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Interviewer's Name _____ Interviewer's Number

Area Code Respondent Code

Date of Interview: Day Month Time Interview Began (24hr clock)

Introduction (Ask for named respondent)

Good morning/afternoon/evening. I am from the Economic and Social Research Institute in Dublin. We have been commissioned by a team of researchers from Trinity College Dublin and University College Dublin to carry out a short survey into political and social attitudes in Ireland today. You have been selected at random from the Electoral Register to participate in this survey. The interview will take about 50 minutes to complete and all information provided will be treated in the strictest confidence by the Economic and Social Research Institute. It will not be possible for anyone to identify your individual views or attitudes.

SECTION A

A1 First of all, I would like to ask you how often you use any of the following media. [Int. Show Card A, and Please tick (✓) one box on each line]

	Every day	At least three times a week	At least once a week	Less often	Never
1. Newspapers.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
2. Television.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
3. Radio.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
4. Internet.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅

A2 Which of the following areas, if any, do you look for in these media? [Int. Show Card B and Please tick (✓) one box on each line]

	YES	NO
1. Arts/entertainment.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂
2. Sports.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂
3. Business/economics.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂
4. News about politics in Ireland.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂
5. News about the European Union.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂
6. Other news in general.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂

A3 I will now like to read out a series of statements. These cover a range of different areas and topics and I would like you to tell me how strongly you agree or disagree with each. For each statement I read please tell me whether or not you strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree, strongly disagree. [Int. Show card C, and Please tick (✓) one box on each line]

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
1. The government must take strong action to look after the environment, even if this involves major limitations on people's freedom to do as they wish.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
2. There is nothing wrong with some people being a lot richer					

than others.....₁.....₂.....₃.....₄.....₅
Strongly Agree **Agree** **Neither agree nor disagree** **Disagree** **Strongly Disagree**

3. It is impossible for people who do not share Irish customs and traditions to become fully Irish.....₁.....₂.....₃.....₄.....₅
4. We should protect the environment, even if this means less economic growth.....₁.....₂.....₃.....₄.....₅
5. Generally speaking, Ireland is a better country than most other countries.....₁.....₂.....₃.....₄.....₅
6. The world would be a better place if people from other countries were more like the Irish.....₁.....₂.....₃.....₄.....₅

A4 Three issues are outlined on this card. Please tell me for each of the following whether you think it can never be justified, always be justified, or something in between. People who believe it can never be justified would give a score of '0'. People who believe it is always justified would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves somewhere between these two views.

i Homosexuality

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Never justified Always justified

ii Abortion

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Never justified Always justified

iii Euthanasia (ending the life of those who are terminally ill and wish to die)

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Never justified Always justified

A5 On this card I have a number of opposing statements. [Int. Show Card E]. People who fully agree with the statement on the left would give a score of '0'. People who fully agree with the statement on the right would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves somewhere in between these two views. Where would you place yourself on these scales? [Int. Please tick (✓) one box on each line]

1. *It is essential that all of Ireland becomes united in one State* *The different parts of Ireland are best left as separate States*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
0										

2. *Business should be entirely free from State control* *Business should be strictly controlled by the State*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
0										

3. *Services such as hospitals, hospitals, education and pensions are best provided by organisations set up and run by the State* *Services such as education and pensions are provided if private companies and organisations are also involved*

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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4. Ireland's membership of the European Union is a bad thing

Ireland's membership of the European Union is a good thing

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

5. Ireland should do all it can to unite fully with the European Union

Ireland should do all it can to protect its independence from the European Union

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

6. We have already gone too far towards European Unification

We haven't gone far enough towards European Unification

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

7. Most of industry should be State owned and run

Most of industry should be privately owned and run

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

A6 Using this card [Int. Show Card F], please say how satisfied you are, on the whole, with the way democracy works in Ireland. [Int: Please tick (✓) one box]

Very satisfied.....₁ Fairly satisfied.....₂ Not very satisfied.....₃ Not at all satisfied.....₄

A7 To what extent do you agree or disagree with these statements about politics? [Int. Show Card B, Please tick (✓) one box on each line].

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
1. Sometimes politics and government seem so complicated that a person like me cannot really understand what is going on.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
2. The ordinary person has no influence on politics.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
3. I think I am better informed about politics and government than most.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
4. In today's world, an Irish government can't really influence what happens in this country.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
5. It doesn't really matter which political party is in power, in the end things go on much the same.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
6. The European Union is too complicated to work properly.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
7. With so many countries involved, the European Union cannot act in the interests of its members as a whole.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅

A8 I will now read out a series of statements to you. I would like you to tell me how strongly you agree or disagree with each. For each statement I read please tell me whether or not you strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree, strongly disagree. [Int. Show card C, and Please tick (✓)one box on each line]

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
1. People should be able to use their cars as much as they like,					

- even if this causes damage to the environment..... ₁..... ₂..... ₃..... ₄..... ₅
2. Ordinary working people get their fair share of the ₁..... ₂..... ₃..... ₄..... ₅
nation's wealth
3. The government should do all it can to eliminate the gap between
people with high and low incomes..... ₁..... ₂..... ₃..... ₄..... ₅

Strongly Agree Agree Neither agree nor disagree Disagree Strongly Disagree

4. It would be better if more people with strong religious beliefs
held public office..... ₁..... ₂..... ₃..... ₄..... ₅
5. I would rather be a citizen of Ireland than of any other country
in the world..... ₁..... ₂..... ₃..... ₄..... ₅
6. Protecting the environment and fighting pollution is less urgent
than is often suggested..... ₁..... ₂..... ₃..... ₄..... ₅

A9 A lot of people don't vote in general elections these days. How important do you think it is that people vote?
[Please tick (✓) one box]

Very important Somewhat important Not very important Not at all important
₁ ₂ ₃ ₄

A10 I would now like you to indicate your level of trust in each of the following. [Please tick (✓) one box on each line].

- How much do you trust:** **A Lot Some Very Little Not at all**
1. the Gardai not to bend the rules when
trying to get a conviction?..... ₁..... ₂..... ₃..... ₄
2. top Civil Servants to stand firm against a Minister who
wants to provide false information to the Dail..... ₁..... ₂..... ₃..... ₄
3. an Irish government to tell the truth when they are
in a tight corner?..... ₁..... ₂..... ₃..... ₄
4. politicians of any party in Ireland to tell the
truth when they are in a tight corner?..... ₁..... ₂..... ₃..... ₄
5. Irish religious leaders to put what is
right ahead of simply protecting the interests of their church?.. ₁..... ₂..... ₃..... ₄

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A11 Using this card [Int. Show Card], please tell me how much you personally trust each of the following. People who do not trust it at all would give a score of '0'. People who trust it a lot would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves somewhere in between these two views. Where would you place yourself on these scales? [Int. Please tick (✓) one box on each line]

1. The Civil Service

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Do not trust at all

Trust a lot

2. The Irish Government

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Do not trust at all

Trust a lot

3. **The Gardai**

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Do not trust at all

Trust a lot

4. **Irish Politicians**

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Do not trust at all

Trust a lot

5. **Religious leaders in Ireland**

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Do not trust at all

Trust a lot

6. **The law and the courts**

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Do not trust at all

Trust a lot

7. **The political parties**

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Do not trust at all

Trust a lot

8. **The mass media**

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Do not trust at all

Trust a lot

9. **The Dáil**

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Do not trust at all

Trust a lot

10. **Irish business leaders**

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Do not trust at all

Trust a lot

A12a **In politics people sometimes talk of “the left” and “the right”. Where would you place yourself on a scale from 0 to 10 where ‘0’ means the left and ‘10’ means the right:** [Int. Show Cards Please tick (✓) one box only]

<i>Left</i>													<i>Right</i>
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		

A12b **And can you tell me how important this idea of left and right is for you personally?** [Int. Please tick (✓) one box on each line]

<i>Not important at all</i>													<i>Very important</i>
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		

A12b **Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statement. People who fully agree with the statement on the left would give a score of ‘0’. People who fully agree with the statement on the right would give a score of ‘10’. Other people would place themselves somewhere in between these two views. Where would you place yourself on these scales:** [Int. Please tick (✓) one box on each line]

When raising children it is more important to teach them to be independent-minded and think for themselves

it is more important to teach them obedience and respect for authority

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

A13 I will now read out a series of statements to you. I would like you to tell me how strongly you agree or disagree with each. For each statement I read please tell me whether or not you strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree, strongly disagree. [Int. Show card C, and Please tick (✓)one box on each line]

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
1. People should support their country even if their country is in the wrong.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
2. Ireland should follow its own interests, even if this leads to conflict with other nations.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
3. Criminals who commit extremely violent crimes should have to face the death penalty.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
4. Refugees and asylum seekers should have the same rights to social services as Irish people.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
5. Society would be better off if everybody showed more respect for authority.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
6. When raising children the most important thing to teach them is obedience and respect for authority.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅

A14a Do you usually think of yourself as close to any particular political party?

Yes.....₁ → go to A17c No..... ₂ → go to A17b Don't know.....₃ → go to A18

A14b If NO, do you feel yourself a little closer to one of the political parties than the others?

Yes.....₁ → go to A17c No.....₂ Don't know.....₃ → go to A18

A14c If YES at (a) or (b) Which party do you feel closest to?...Record name of the party_____

A15a For one reason or another, a lot of people didn't vote in the last general election. How about you- did you vote?

Yes.....₁ → go to A19b No.....₂ → go to A19b

A15b [Int: If 'Yes' at A19a ask:] Which party did you give your first preference vote to?

A15c [Int: If 'No' at A19a ask:]

Suppose you had voted? Which party would you have given your first preference vote to? [Int. Please tick (✓)one box only]

Fianna Fáil.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	Green Party.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₆
Fine Gael.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	Other.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₇
Labour.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	Independent.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₈
Progressive Democrats.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	Don't know.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₉
Sinn Féin.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅		

A16 If there was a general election tomorrow, to which party would you give your first preference vote?

[Int. Please tick (✓)one box only]

Fianna Fáil.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	Green Party.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₆
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Fine Gael.....₂
 Labour.....₃
 Progressive Democrats.....₄
 Sinn Féin.....₅

Other.....₇
 Independent.....₈
 Don't know.....₉
 I wouldn't vote.....₁₀

A17 As you may know, there was a referendum on the European Union Nice Treaty last June. There will be another referendum on the Nice Treaty sometime in the next year.

I'd like you to imagine that you are voting in the next referendum on the Nice Treaty. Where would you place yourself on this 7 point scale? A score of '1' indicates that you would definitely vote in favour of the Nice Treaty, and a score of '7' indicates that you would definitely vote against the Nice Treaty. [Int. Please tick ✓ one box only]

*Definitely vote
in favour of
the Nice Treaty*

*Definitely vote
against the
Nice Treaty*

1	2	3	4	5	6	7

A18 Also, there's some talk these days about having a referendum to strengthen the ban on abortion in the constitution. Now I would like you to imagine that you are voting in such a referendum. Where would you place yourself on this 7 point scale? A score of '1' indicates that you would definitely vote in favour of strengthening the ban on abortion a score of '7' indicates that you would definitely vote against strengthening the ban on abortion. [Int. Please tick ✓ one box only]

Definitely vote in favour of strengthening the ban on abortion

Definitely vote against strengthening the ban on abortion

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

A19 We have a number of parties in Ireland each of which would like to get your vote. How probable is it that you will ever give your first preference vote to the following parties? [Int. Show Card J]. Please use the number on this scale to indicate your views, where '0' means 'not at all probable' and '10' means 'very probable'

How probable is it that you will ever give your first preference vote to...

[Int. Please tick ✓ one box only]

	Not at all Probable → Very Probable										
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Fianna Fáil	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fine Gael	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Green Party	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Labour	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Progressive Democrats	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sinn Féin	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Independent	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

A20 What do you think about the general state of the economy in Ireland these days? Would you say that it is....

Very good.....₁ Fairly good.....₂ Fairly bad.....₃ Very bad.....₄

A21 What about your own economic situation these days? Would you say it is....

Very good.....₁ Fairly good.....₂ Fairly bad.....₃ Very bad.....₄

A22 Now I would like to ask you some questions about racial prejudice in Ireland. Thinking of black people and Asians who now live in Ireland, do you think there is a lot of prejudice against them in Ireland nowadays, a little, or hardly any?

A lot.....₁ A little.....₂ Hardly any.....₃

A23 Do you think there will be more, less, or about the same amount of racial prejudice in Ireland in 5 years time compared to now?

More in 5 years.....₁ Less.....₂ About the same.....₃ Other.....₄

A24 How would you describe yourself....READ OUT...

as very prejudiced against people of other races.....₁ a little prejudiced.....₂ not prejudiced at all.....₃ Other.....₄

A25 How interested would you say you are in politics – are you:

Very interested.....₁ Somewhat interested.....₂ Not very interested.....₃ Not at all interested.....₄

A26 Does it ever happen that you don't go out at night because you are afraid of being a victim of crime?

Yes often.....₁ Yes occasionally.....₂ No.....₃

A27 Do you know anyone who has been a victim of a crime recently?

More than 1 person.....₁ 1 person.....₂ No-one.....₃

A28 Generally speaking, would you say that most people can be trusted or that you can't be too careful in dealing with people?

Most people can be trusted.....₁ Can't be too careful.....₂

A29 How much of your leisure time these days do you spend with other people in clubs or associations, religious organisations or voluntary groups of one kind or another?

Several times a week...₁ About once a week...₂ About twice a month...₃ A few times a year...₄ Rarely/never...₅

A30 I will now read out a series of statements to you. I would like you to tell me how strongly you agree or disagree with each. For each statement I read please tell me whether or not you strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree, strongly disagree. [Int. Show card C, and Please tick (✓) one box on each line]

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
1. There is one law for the rich and one for the poor.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
2. Its quite acceptable for a person to object to Travellers coming to live in their area.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
3. It is a good thing that young people challenge their parents' views, and criticise the traditions of our society.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
4. There should be very strict limits on the number of immigrants coming to live in Ireland.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
5. God should play a central role in people's lives.....	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅

A31 Interviewer Record Time (24 hour clock)

SECTION F
SOCIO-DEMOGRAPHICS QUESTIONS

F1 Sex of respondent Male.....₁ Female.....₂

F2 Could I ask for your date of birth Day Month Year

F3 What is your current marital status? [Int. Please tick (✓) one box only]

Married.....₁ Living with a partner₂ Widowed.....₃ Separated/Divorced.....₄ Never married.....₅

F4 Which of the following best describes your highest level of education you have completed to date. [Int. Showcard J, Please tick (✓) one box only]

- None.....₁
- Incomplete Primary.....₂
- Complete Primary.....₃
- Started Second Level but no exams taken.....₄
- Group Cert or equivalent.....₅
- Junior/Intermediate Cert or equivalent.....₆
- Leaving Cert or equiv.....₇
- Started Third Level₈

- Certificate or diploma....._9
 University primary degree or equivalent....._10
 University higher degree or equivalent....._11

F5 During the last five years have you been unemployed and seeking work? By unemployed I mean available for and actively seeking work in contrast, for example, someone who is engaged in home duties.

Yes....._1→ go to F6 No....._2→ go to F7

F6 For how many months, over the last five years were you unemployed? _____

F7 Which of the following best describes your present situation with regard to employment:

[Int. Please tick (✓) one box only]

- | | |
|---|--|
| At work full-time (30 hrs or more)..... <input type="checkbox"/> _1→ Go to A.39 | Student..... <input type="checkbox"/> _5→ Go to A.38b |
| At work part-time (less than 30 hrs weekly)..... <input type="checkbox"/> _2→ Go to A.39 | Retired..... <input type="checkbox"/> _6→ Go to A.38b |
| At work as relative assisting/unpaid family worker..... <input type="checkbox"/> _3→ Go to A.39 | Engaged in home duties..... <input type="checkbox"/> _7→ Go to A.38b |
| Unemployed and seeking work..... <input type="checkbox"/> _4→ Go to A.38b | Long term sick or disabled..... <input type="checkbox"/> _8→ Go to A.38b |
| | Other, specify _____... <input type="checkbox"/> _9→ Go to A.38b |

[Int: For people who are unemployed or coded 5-9 in question F7]

F8 Did you ever work at any time in the past, even if not currently working now?

Yes

_1

No

_2 → Go to F10

F8b When did you give up this job? _____ month _____ year →Go to F9

F9 How many hours do/did you normally work per week-including usual overtime if any? _____ hours

F10 What is/was your occupation? Please describe fully. If farmer please record the number of acres farmed. If appropriate, please record the rank or grade, e.g. Civil Service, Gardai, Defence Forces etc.

F11 Please describe as fully as possible the nature of the business activity of your employer.

If respondent is working (code 1,2 or 3 in question A37a above)

F12 How worried are you that you might become unemployed in the next year?

Very worried....._1 Somewhat worried....._2 A little worried....._3 Not at all worried....._4

F13 If you did become unemployed how long do you think it would take you to find a suitable job? _____

F14 [Int: check marital status at question F] Is the respondent is married or living with a partner?

Yes _1→Go to F No _2→Go to F

F15 In relation to employment could you describe your spouse's /partners situation at present?

[Int. Please tick (✓) one box only]

- | | |
|---|---|
| At work full-time (30 hrs or more)..... <input type="checkbox"/> _1→ Go to A.45 | Student..... <input type="checkbox"/> _5→ Go to A.44b |
| At work part-time (less than 30 hrs weekly)..... <input type="checkbox"/> _2→ Go to A.45 | Retired..... <input type="checkbox"/> _6→ Go to A.44b |
| At work as relative assisting/unpaid family worker..... <input type="checkbox"/> _3→ Go to A.45 | Engaged in home duties..... <input type="checkbox"/> _7→ Go to A.44b |
| Unemployed and seeking work..... <input type="checkbox"/> _4→ Go to A.44b | Long term sick and disabled..... <input type="checkbox"/> _8→ Go to A.44b |
| | Other, specify _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _9→ Go to A.44b |

F16 [Int: For people whose spouse/partner are unemployed or coded 4-9 in question F15 above] Did your spouse ever work at any time in the past, even if not currently working now?

Yes

No

 → Go to F

F17 When did she/he give up this job? ____month ____year →Go to F

F18 What is/was your spouse's occupation? Please describe as fully as possible. If farmer please record the number of acres farmed. If appropriate, please record the rank or grade, e.g. Civil Service, Gardai, Defence Forces etc

F19 When you were 16 what kind of work did your father do- what was his occupation? Please describe fully. If farmer please record number of acres farmed.

F20 What were some of your father's main duties at work? Please write in a description of his duties.

F21 With regard to your accommodation, could you tell me if it is....

- A house or a flat that you are buying on a mortgage.....1
- A house or a flat that you are purchasing under a local ? tenant purchase scheme.....2
- A house or a flat that you own outright.....3
- A house or a flat that you are renting from the local authority.....4
- A house or a flat that you are renting privately.....5
- Other, please specify6

F22 Do you belong to any religious denomination?

Yes.....1→Which one? _____ No.....2→go to F23 Don't Know.....3→go to F23

F23 Did your family belong to any religion when you were 16 years of age? Please describe as fully as possible. [Int: If none, write NONE, DO NOT LEAVE BLANK]

IF RELIGION GIVEN AT EITHER F22 OR F23 ABOVE

F24 Apart from special occasions such as weddings, funerals and christenings, how often nowadays do you attend religious services? [Int: Please tick (✓)one box only]

- More than once a week1
- Every week/almost every week.....2
- About once a month.....3
- Only on major holy days such as Christmas and Easter.....4
- Never/practically never5

F25 Using this card [Int. Show Card L] can you tell me if you personally believe that God exists or not. People who absolutely believe that God does not exist would give a score of '0'. People who fully believe that God exists, would give a score of '10'. Other people would place themselves somewhere in between these two views. Where would you place yourself on this scale? [Int. Please tick (✓) one box on each line]

<i>God definitely Does Not exist</i>										<i>God definitely Does exist</i>	
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

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F26 For about how much time, if any, have you ever lived outside the Republic of Ireland, not counting periods of less than three months? [Int. Please tick (✓) one box on each line]

Never lived outside the Republic of Ireland for a period of three months or more..... ₁

Lived for more than three months but less than a year..... ₂

Lived for 1-2 years..... ₃

Lived for 2-4 year..... ₄

5 years or longer..... ₅

F27 Many people think of themselves as being part of a particular nationality, for example as French or American or whatever. Do you think of yourself as Irish or as belonging to some other nationality, or do you not think of yourself in this way?

I think of myself as:

- Irish..... ₁
 Another nationality..... ₂ → Which one? _____
 A combination of different nationalities..... ₃ → Which one? _____
 I don't think of myself in this way..... ₄ → go to F

F28 Overall how important is it to you that you are 'Irish' [if code 1 at F27] or other nationality [read out nationality if code 2 or 3 at F27]?

- Very important..... ₁ Fairly important..... ₂ Not very important..... ₃ Not important at all..... ₄

F29 Are you a citizen of Ireland?

- Yes, citizen of Ireland..... ₁ No..... ₂ → go to F

F30 Which country are you a citizen of? _____ (please specify)

F31 Can you tell me whether or not (a) your mother and (b) your father was a citizen of Ireland when you were born?

[Int. Please tick ✓ one box only]

- (a) Mother Yes..... ₁ No..... ₂
 (b) Father Yes..... ₁ No..... ₂

F32 Some people also think of themselves as belonging to a larger group that includes people from other countries, for example, as African, European, North American and so on. How about you? Do you think of yourself in this way?

- Yes..... ₁ → Which group? _____ go to F33 No..... ₂ → go to F34

F33 Overall, how important is it to you that you are (read out the 'larger group' specified above)?

- Very important..... ₁ Fairly important..... ₂ Not very important..... ₃ Not important at all..... ₄

F34a I would like to ask about the approximate level of net household income? This means the total income, after tax, PRSI and other statutory deductions, of all members of the household. It includes all types of income: income from employment, social welfare payments, child benefit, rents, interest, pensions etc. We would just like to know into which of four broad groups the total income of your household falls. I'd like to assure you once again that all information you give me is entirely confidential

	<i>Per week</i>	<i>Per Month</i>	<i>Per Year</i>	
A. Under £190	Under £85	Under £825	Under £10,000 <input type="checkbox"/> ₁ ⇒Go to Q.A below, Show Card A
B. £191 - £360	£826 - £1570	£826 - £1570	£10,001 - £19,000 <input type="checkbox"/> ₂ ⇒Go to Q.B below, Show Card B
C. £361 - £570	£1571 - £2475	£1571 - £2475	£19,001 - £30,000 <input type="checkbox"/> ₃ ⇒Go to Q.C below, Show Card C
D. £571 or more	£2476 or more	£2476 or more	£30,001 or more <input type="checkbox"/> ₄ ⇒Go to Q.D below, Show Card D

F34b [INT: Show Card A, B, C or D, as appropriate. Tick ONE Box only below]

A Would that be:	(per week)	Under £85 <input type="checkbox"/> ₁	£86-£110 <input type="checkbox"/> ₂	£111-£150 <input type="checkbox"/> ₃	£151-£190 <input type="checkbox"/> ₄
	(per month)	Under £370 <input type="checkbox"/> ₁	£371-£475 <input type="checkbox"/> ₂	£476-£650 <input type="checkbox"/> ₃	£651-£825 <input type="checkbox"/> ₄
	(per year)	Under £4500 <input type="checkbox"/> ₁	£4501-£5700 <input type="checkbox"/> ₂	£5701-£8000 <input type="checkbox"/> ₃	£8001-£10000 <input type="checkbox"/> ₄
B Would that be:	(per week)	£191-£220 <input type="checkbox"/> ₁	£221-£270 <input type="checkbox"/> ₂	£271-£320 <input type="checkbox"/> ₃	£321-£360 <input type="checkbox"/> ₄
	(per month)	£826-£950 <input type="checkbox"/> ₁	£951-£1150 <input type="checkbox"/> ₂	£1151-£1400 <input type="checkbox"/> ₃	£1401-£1570 <input type="checkbox"/> ₄
	(per year)	£10001-£11500 <input type="checkbox"/> ₁	£11501-£14000 <input type="checkbox"/> ₂	£14001-£16500 <input type="checkbox"/> ₃	£16501-£19000 <input type="checkbox"/> ₄
C Would that be:	(per week)	£361-£400 <input type="checkbox"/> ₁	£401-£450 <input type="checkbox"/> ₂	£451-£500 <input type="checkbox"/> ₃	£501-570 <input type="checkbox"/> ₄
	(per month)	£1571-£1750 <input type="checkbox"/> ₁	£1751-£2000 <input type="checkbox"/> ₂	£2001-£2200 <input type="checkbox"/> ₃	£2201-£2475 <input type="checkbox"/> ₄
	(per year)	£19001-£21000 <input type="checkbox"/> ₁	£21001-£24000 <input type="checkbox"/> ₂	£24001-£26000 <input type="checkbox"/> ₃	£26001-£30000 <input type="checkbox"/> ₄

D Would that be:	(per week)	£571 -£650 <input type="checkbox"/>	£651-£750 <input type="checkbox"/>	£751-£950 <input type="checkbox"/>	£951 or more <input type="checkbox"/>
	(per month)	£2476 -£2800 <input type="checkbox"/>	£2801-£3200 <input type="checkbox"/>	£3201-£4100 <input type="checkbox"/>	£4101 or more <input type="checkbox"/>
	(per year)	£30001-£33500 <input type="checkbox"/>	£33501-£38500 <input type="checkbox"/>	£38501-£49000 <input type="checkbox"/>	£49000 or more <input type="checkbox"/>

F35 Thinking now of your household's total income, from all sources and from all household members, would you say that your household is able to make ends meet?

With great difficulty.....₁ With some difficulty.....₂ Fairly Easily.....₃ Very Easily.....₄

F36 Has there been any occasion during the last 12 months when you had to risk having gas or electricity cut off because you couldn't pay the bill?

Yes.....₁ No.....₂

F37 Do you, or does anyone else in your household, own or have regular use of a car or van?

Yes.....₁ → One Car/Van.....₁ More than one Car/Van.....₂ No.....₂

F38 In general, how good would you say your health is? Would you say it is:

Very Good.....₁ Good.....₂ Fair.....₃ Bad.....₄ Very Bad.....₅

F39 Do you have any chronic, physical or mental health problem, illness or disability?

Yes, severely.....₁ Yes, to some extent.....₂ No.....₃

F40 Could I ask you, how many seats are in the Dáil, in other words, how many TDs are there?

24.....₁ 112.....₂ 166.....₃ 232.....₄ Don't Know.....₅

F41 And how many countries are there at the moment in the European Union?

9.....₁ 12.....₂ 15.....₃ 18.....₄ Don't Know.....₅

F42 Can you tell me the name of the Minister for Foreign Affairs? _____

F43 Five countries have permanent seats on the Security Council of the United Nations. Can you tell me the name of any of these five countries?

1) _____ 3) _____ 5) _____
2) _____ 4) _____

F44 I would like you to think now of the other members of your household, could you please tell their (a) gender; (b) age last birthday; (c) their economic status; (d) highest level of education; and finally, their relationship to each other.

No	(A) Name/Initial	(B) Sex		(C) Age last birthday	(F) Relationship of each member to each other member. READ ACROSS THE ROWS Relationships listed on yellow card												
		Male	Female		No	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9			
				YEARS													
1	Head of Household	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂		1												
2		<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂		2												
3		<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂		3												
4		<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂		4												
5		<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂		5												
6		<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂		6												
7		<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂		7												
8		<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂		8												
9		<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂		9												

F45 Interviewer Record Time (24 hour clock)

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