

# FLASH EUROBAROMETER NO 112 ("INTERNET AND THE PUBLIC AT LARGE")

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Questionnaire No.

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*Good morning/afternoon/evening. I am ..... from Irish Marketing Surveys Limited.  
We are conducting a survey on behalf of the European Commission in the 15 countries of the European Union. This survey  
concerns the Internet and new technologies.*

1. Does your household have access to the Internet?

(42)

- yes ..... 1 --> GO TO Q.2
- no ..... 2 --> GO TO Q.3
- (DK/NA) ..... 3 --> GO TO Q.3

a. What kind of Internet access is your home fitted with?

**(MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)**

- a) a standard telephone line ..... 1 (43)
- b) an ISDN line ..... 1 (44)
- c) an ADSL connection ..... 1 (45)
- d) a cable modem ..... 1 (46)
- e) a mobile connection/wireless connection ..... 1 (47)
- f) (other: ...) ..... 1 (48)
- g) (DK/NA) ..... 1 (49)

2.b. Through what kind of terminal does your home connect to the Internet?

**(MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)**

- a) a desktop computer ..... 1 (50) --> GO TO Q.2c
- b) a laptop computer ..... 1 (51) --> GO TO Q.2c
- c) a TV set-top box (digital TV, Pay-TV) ..... 1 (52)
- d) a video game console ..... 1 (53)
- e) a mobile telephone (WAP, GPRS) ..... 1 (54)
- f) a handheld/pocket computer (Palm, Psion, ...) ..... 1 (55)
- g) (other) ..... 1 (56)
- h) (DK/NA) ..... 1 (57)

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2.

[ONLY IF ANSWER a) OR b) IN Q.2.b.]

2c. Does this computer have any of the following security features:...

[READ OUT - SEVERAL POSSIBLE ANSWERS]

- Yes ..... 1 (58-63)
- no ..... 2
- [DK/NA] ..... 3

- a) an anti-virus software?
- b) a smart card reader or other authentication device?
- c) an encryption software?
- d) a firewall software?
- e) an electronic signature software?
- f) another security feature? [SPECIFY:...]

The following questions refer to your personal use of the Internet.

3. Do you personally use the Internet: ...

(MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

- a) at home ..... 1 (64)
- b) at work ..... 1 (65)
- c) at school, at college, at university ..... 1 (66)
- d) from a public access point (library, City Hall, etc) ..... 1 (67)
- e) in a cybercafé ..... 1 (68)
- f) at a friend's, an acquaintance's, a relative's place ..... 1 (69)
- g) on the move, from a laptop ..... 1 (70)
- h) on the move, from a handheld or pocket computer (Palm, Psion, ...) ..... 1 (71)
- i) on the move, from a mobile phone (WAP, GPRS) ..... 1 (72)
- j) (elsewhere ...) ..... 1 (73)
- k) (do not use the Internet) ..... 1 -Stop interview (74)
- l) (DK/NA) ..... 1 -Stop interview (75)

4. How often do you usually use the Internet?

- every day or nearly every day ..... 1 (76)
- several times a week ..... 2
- approximately once a week ..... 3
- approximately once a month ..... 4
- less often ..... 5
- (DK/NA) ..... 6

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5. While using the Internet, have you ever encountered security problems such as: ...

**(MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)**

- a) a computer virus..... 1 (77)
- b) fraudulent use of your credit card number ..... 1 (78)
- c) unsolicited e-mail (spamming) ..... 1 (79)
- d) (other security problems: ...) ..... 1 (80)
- e) (never experienced Internet security problems) ..... 1 (81)
- f) (DK/NA) ..... 1 (82)

6. Have you ever contacted a public administration through the Internet to: ...

**(MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)**

- a) find administrative information ..... 1 (83)
- b) send them an e-mail ..... 1 (84)
- c) fill in forms or carry out procedures on-line ..... 1 (85)
- d) (other reasons: ...) ..... 1 (86)
- e) (never contacted an administration through the Internet) ..... 1 (87)
- f) (DK/NA) ..... 1 (88)

7. For your private use do you buy products or services through the Internet?

- frequently ..... 1 (89)
- occasionally ..... 2
- rarely ..... 3
- never again ..... 4
- never ..... 5
- (DK/NA) ..... 6

8. For your private use, do you also use the Internet to: ...

**(MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)**

- a) send/retrieve your e-mail ..... 1 (90)
- b) carry out on-line banking operations ..... 1 (91)
- c) look for news or topical items ..... 1 (92)
- d) seek health-related advice or information ..... 1 (93)
- e) find job ads ..... 1 (94)
- f) take part in forums or group discussions ..... 1 (95)
- g) improve your training or education ..... 1 (96)
- h) seek information on travels, plane tickets, etc ..... 1 (97)
- i) book tickets for shows or events ..... 1 (98)
- j) (for other private use: ...) ..... 1 (99)
- k) (do not use the Internet for private use) ..... 1 (100)
- l) (DK/NA) ..... 1 (101)

**[END OF INTERVIEW – THANK RESPONDENT]**

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## Classification Details

### SEX:

Male..... 1  
Female..... 2

### AGE: (Record Exact Age)

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Use code '00' if respondent refuses to answer

### EDUCATION:

How old were you when you finished your full-time education? (Record Exact Age)

Use code '99' if respondent still at full-time school

Use code '00' if respondent refuses to answer

Use code '01' if never went to full-time school

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### REGION:

Dublin ..... 1  
Rest of Leinster ..... 2  
Munster ..... 3  
Conn/Ulster ..... 4

### TYPE OF LOCALITY:

Metropolitan zone ..... 1  
Other town/urban centre ..... 2  
Rural zone ..... 3

(30)

(31-  
32)

(33-  
34)

(39-  
40)

(41)

### WHAT IS YOUR OCCUPATION? [INT. WRITE IN AND CODE]

#### *Self Employed*

Farmer, fisherman..... 01  
Professional (Lawyer, Practitioner etc.) ..... 02  
Owner of shop or company, craftsman, proprietor.. 03

#### *Employed*

General Management ..... 04  
Employed, middle management..... 05  
Manual Worker..... 06

#### *Not in paid employment*

Retired ..... 07  
Housewife ..... 08  
Student..... 09  
Temporarily not working/unemployed ..... 10  
Other..... 11  
Refused..... 12

### NUMBER IN HOUSEHOLD:

How many people aged 15 years old or more live with you, in your household?

[ ] [ ] people (exact number)

(37-  
38)

(If the respondent lives alone: CODE ZERO)

(If DK/NA) --> STOP INTERVIEW

Length of Interview ..... Mins

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(9-10)