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**Flash Eurobarometer 330
(Young People and Drugs)**

**Country Questionnaire
Ireland**

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Youth attitudes on drugs

D1. Gender

[DO NOT ASK - MARK APPROPRIATE]

- Male..... 1
- Female 2

D2. How old are you?

- [][] years old
- [REFUSAL/NO ANSWER] 00

D3_a. What is the last level of full time education that you completed?

- Primary education 1
- Secondary education 2
- Higher education 3
- [NEVER BEEN IN FULL TIME EDUCATION] 4
- [DK/NA]..... 9

D3_b. Are you currently a full time student?

- Yes..... 1 ASK D4A
- No 2 ASK D4B
- [DK/NA]..... 9 ASK D4B

D4A. What is the current occupation of the person who contributes most to the household income ? Would you say he/she is self-employed, an employee, a manual worker or would you say that he/she is without a professional activity? Does it mean that he/she is a(n)...

[IF A RESPONSE TO THE MAIN CATEGORY IS GIVEN, READ OUT THE RESPECTIVE SUB-CATEGORIES]

- Self-employed

- i.e. :
- farmer, forester, fisherman..... 11
 - owner of a shop, craftsman 12
 - professional (lawyer, medical practitioner, accountant, architect,...)..... 13
 - manager of a company..... 14
 - other 15

- Employee

- i.e. :
- professional (employed doctor, lawyer, accountant, architect)..... 21
 - general management, director or top management 22

- middle management	23
- Civil servant.....	24
- office clerk.....	25
- other employee (salesman, nurse, etc...)	26
- other	27
- Manual worker	
→ i.e. : - supervisor / foreman (team manager, etc...)	31
- Manual worker	32
- unskilled manual worker	33
- other	34
- Without a professional activity	
→ i.e. : - looking after the home.....	41
- student (full time).....	42
- retired	43
- seeking a job	44
- other	45
- [Refusal].....	99

D4B. 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? Does it mean that you are a(n)...

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D6. Would you say you live in a ...?

- metropolitan zone	1
- other town/urban centre	2
- rural zone.....	3
- [Refusal].....	9

Q1. If you wanted to have information about illicit drugs and drug use in general, who would you turn to? Please choose up to three.

[READ OUT - ROTATE - RECORD THREE ANSWERS]

- A friend	01
- Parents/ relatives.....	02
- Someone at school or at work.....	03
- A doctor, a nurse or another health professional	04
- A social/ youth worker	05
- A specialised drug counsellor/ centre	06
- The police	07
- A telephone helpline	08
- The internet (websites or chats).....	09
- Mass media (newspapers, magazines, TV, radio).....	10
- [Others]	11
- [Does not want to have more info]	12
- [It depends]	13
- [None of these]	14
- [DK/NA]	99

Q2. Through which channels – if any - have you been informed over the past year about the effects and risks of the use of illicit drugs? Please choose up to three.

[READ OUT- ROTATE- RECORD THREE ANSWERS]

- Through a school prevention programme.....	01
- From friends	02

- From parents/ relatives 03
- Through media campaign(s) 04
- From the police..... 05
- Found it on the internet (websites or chats)..... 06
- From a drug and/or alcohol telephone helpline 07
- [I have not been informed at all] 08
- [Other] 09
- [DK/NA] 99

Q3. What do you think are the three most effective ways for public authorities to reduce drugs problems?

[READ OUT- ROTATE- RECORD THREE ANSWERS]

- Information and prevention campaigns 1
- Treatment and rehabilitation of drug users 2
- Tough measures against drug dealers and traffickers..... 3
- Making drugs legal..... 4
- Reduction of poverty/ unemployment..... 5
- Tough measures against drug users 6
- More leisure opportunities..... 7
- [DK/NA]..... 9

Q4. To what extent do you think the following substances may pose a risk to a person’s health?

[READ OUT- ONE ANSWER PER LINE]

- High risk 1
 - Medium risk 2
 - Low risk..... 3
 - No risk 4
 - [DK/NA] 9
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- A. Use cannabis once or twice 1 2 3 4 5 9
 - B. Use cannabis regularly 1 2 3 4 5 9
 - C. Use ecstasy once or twice 1 2 3 4 5 9
 - D. Use ecstasy regularly 1 2 3 4 5 9
 - E. Drink alcohol once or twice..... 1 2 3 4 5 9
 - F. Drink alcohol regularly..... 1 2 3 4 5 9
 - G. Use cocaine once or twice 1 2 3 4 5 9
 - H. Use cocaine regularly..... 1 2 3 4 5 9

Q5. In certain countries some new substances that imitate the effects of illicit drugs are being sold as legal substances in the form of – for example - powders, tablets/pills or herbs. Have you ever used such substances?

- No, I never used such substances 1 → go to Q7
- Yes, I have used such substances 2
- [DK/NA] 9 → go to Q7

Q6. Where were you offered such substances?

[READ OUT- SEVERAL ANSWERS POSSIBLE]

- I was offered such substances by a friend..... 1
- I bought such substances in a specialised shop..... 2
- I was offered such substances during a party or in a club 3
- I bought such substances over the internet 4
- [Other] 5
- [DK/NA] 9

Q7. The sale of drugs such as cannabis, cocaine, ecstasy and heroin is officially banned in all EU Member States. The sale of legal substances such as alcohol and tobacco is not prohibited but is regulated in all EU countries. Do you think the following substances should (continue to) be banned or should they be regulated?

Examples of regulation are: minimum age limits for buying, limits in the concentration of active components such as nicotine, licensed sales through specialised shops and pharmacies.

[READ OUT- ONE ANSWER PER LINE]

- Should (Continue to) be banned 1
- Should be regulated 2
- [Should be available without restrictions] 3
- [Other] 4
- [DK/NA] 9

- A. Cannabis1 2 3 4 9
- B. Tobacco1 2 3 4 9
- C. Ecstasy1 2 3 4 9
- D. Heroin1 2 3 4 9
- E. Alcohol1 2 3 4 9
- F. Cocaine1 2 3 4 9

Q8. What would be an appropriate way to handle new substances that imitate the effects of illicit drugs and that are sold as legal substances?

[READ OUT- ONLY ONE ANSWER POSSIBLE]

- Regulate..... 1
- Ban them only if they pose a risk to health 2
- Ban them under any circumstance..... 3
- Do nothing 4
- [Other] 5
- [DK/NA]..... 9

Q9. How difficult or easy do you think it would be for you personally to obtain the following substances within 24 hours if you wanted some?

[READ OUT- ONE ANSWER PER LINE]

- Impossible..... 1
- Very difficult 2
- Fairly difficult 3
- Fairly easy 4
- Very easy 5
- [DK/NA]..... 9

- A. Cannabis.....1 2 3 4 5
- B. Alcohol.....1 2 3 4 5
- C. Cocaine1 2 3 4 5
- D. Ecstasy.....1 2 3 4 5
- E. Tobacco1 2 3 4 5
- F. Heroin1 2 3 4 5

Q10. Have you used cannabis yourself?

[READ OUT 1 TO 5 - ONLY ONE ANSWER POSSIBLE]

- No, I have never used 1
- Yes, in the last 30 days..... 2
- Yes, in the last 12 months..... 3
- Yes, but more than 12 months ago 4
- You don't want to answer 5
- [Don't know] 9