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Interviewer's name _____ Interviewer's Number _____

Area code _____ Respondent code _____

Date of interview: Day _____ Month _____

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Introduction (Ask for named respondent)

Good morning/afternoon/evening. I am from the Economic and Social Research Institute in Dublin. We are carrying out a survey of people's opinions on a variety of social issues. You were included in a national sample taken at random from the Electoral Register. This is an international study whose aim is to find out exactly what the public thinks on these issues, so that planning by the Government and other bodies can be made as effective as possible. It is only the help of many people like yourself in answering some questions that makes this work possible. The interview will take about forty minutes to complete. I can assure you that all answers will be treated in the strictest confidence by the Economic and Social Research Institute. We are interested in the number of people who think in various ways, not in any individual's views as such.

1. Could I begin by asking you some general questions. Thinking about issues concerning Ireland as a whole, which three are you most concerned about?

X First mentioned: _____

Second mentioned: _____

Third mentioned: _____

Q1.1

Q1.2

2. Which of these would you say is more important in preparing children for life ...
(PLEASE CIRCLE ONE ONLY)

To be obedient 1 OR To think for themselves 2 [Can't choose 8]

Q1.3

Q2.1

3. How much do you agree or disagree with each of these statements? (Please circle one code on each line)

Strongly Agree Agree Neither Agree nor Disagree Disagree Strongly Disagree Can't Choose

a. Private enterprise is the best way
to solve Ireland's economic problems

1 2 3 4 5 8

Q3.1

b. It is the responsibility of the government to reduce
the differences in income between people with high
incomes and those with low incomes

1 2 3 4 5 8

Q3.2

4. Looking at these items (Show Card A), please say which one you think should be Ireland's *highest* priority, the most important thing it should do. (Circle one number in column a). And what should be its next *highest* priority? (Circle one number in column b)

a. Highest Priority b. Next highest Priority

Maintain order in the nation
Give people more say in Government decisions
Fight rising prices
Protect freedom of speech
[Can't choose

1 1
2 2
3 3
4 4
8 8]

Q4.1,
Q4.2

5a. How much do you agree or disagree with each of these statements?

PLEASE TICK **ONE BOX**
ONE EACH LINE

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Can't choose	
a. We believe too often in science, and not enough in feelings and faith	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	Q5.1
b. Overall, modern science does more harm than good	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	Q5.2
c. Any change humans cause in nature - no matter how scientific - is likely to make things worse	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	Q5.3
d. Modern science will solve our environmental problems with little change to our way of life	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	Q5.4

5b. And please tick one box for each of **these** statements to show how much you agree or disagree with it.

PLEASE TICK **ONE BOX**
ON EACH LINE

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Can't choose	
a. We worry too much about the future of the environment and not enough about prices and jobs today	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	Q5.5
b. Almost everything we do in modern life harms the environment	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	Q5.6
c. Animals should have the same moral rights that human beings do	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	Q5.7
d. Human beings should respect nature because it was created by God	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	Q5.8

5c. How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

PLEASE TICK **ONE BOX**
ONE BOX ONLY

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Can't choose	
a. People worry too much about human progress harming the environment	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	Q5.9
b. Nature would be at peace and in harmony if only human beings would leave it alone	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	Q5.10
c. In order to protect the environment Ireland needs economic growth	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	Q5.11
d. It is right to use animals for medical testing if it might save human lives	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	Q5.12
e. Nature is really a fierce struggle for survival of the fittest	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	Q5.13
f. Economic growth always harms the environment	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	Q5.14

6a. **Many people are concerned about the protection of the environment and the problems of pollution. Would you say this is**

- an urgent and immediate problem 1
 a problem for the future 2
 not really a problem at all 3

Q6.1

6b. **Do you feel that the quality of the environment**

- is improving 1
 is staying about the same 2
 is deteriorating 3

Q6.2

6c. **What are the main environmental problems that concern you? (Probe with "Any others?").**

First mentioned: _____

Q6.3

Second mentioned: _____

Q6.4

Others mentioned: _____

Q6.5

7. **Please indicate the statement that comes closest to your views.**

- Nature is sacred because it is created by God 1
 Nature is spiritual or sacred in itself 2
 Nature is important, but not spiritual or sacred 3
 Can't choose 4

Q7.1

8a. **How willing would you be to pay much higher prices in order to protect the environment? (Circle one number in col a below)**

b. **How willing would you be to pay much higher taxes in order to protect the environment? (Circle one number in col b below)**

c. **How willing would you be to accept cuts in your standard of living in order to protect the environment? (Circle one number in col c below)**

	a. Higher Prices	b. Higher Taxes	c. Cuts in standard of Living
Very willing	1	1	1
Fairly willing	2	2	2
Neither willing nor unwilling	3	3	3
Fairly unwilling	4	4	4
Very unwilling	5	5	5
Can't choose	6	6	6

Q8.1

Q8.2

Q8.3

9 How much do you agree or disagree with **each** of **these** statements?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX
ON EACH LINE

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Can't choose	
a. It is just too difficult for someone like me to do much about the environment	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	Q9.1
b. I do what is right for the environment, even when it costs more money or takes more time	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	Q9.2

10 For each statement below, just tick the box that comes closest to your opinion of how true it is.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX
ON EACH LINE

	Definitely true	Probably true	Probably not true	Definitely not true	Can't choose	
In your opinion, how true is this?						
a. 'All radioactivity is made by humans'	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	Q10.1
b. 'Antibiotics can kill bacteria but not viruses'	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	Q10.2
In your opinion, how true is this?						
c. 'Astrology - the study of star signs - has some scientific truth'	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	Q10.3
d. 'Human beings developed from earlier species of animals'	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	Q10.4
e. 'All man-made chemicals can cause cancer if you eat enough of them'	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	Q10.5

11 And for each of **these** statements, just tick the box that comes closest to your opinion of how true it is.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX
ON EACH LINE

	Definitely true	Probably true	Probably not true	Definitely not true	Can't choose	
In your opinion, how true is this?						
a. 'If someone is exposed to any amount of radioactivity, they are certain to die as a result'	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	Q11.1
b. 'Some radioactive waste from nuclear power stations will be dangerous for thousands of years'	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	Q11.2
c. 'The greenhouse effect is caused by a hole in the earth's atmosphere'	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	Q11.3
In your opinion, how true is this?						
d. 'Every time we use coal or oil or gas, we contribute to the greenhouse effect'	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	Q11.4
e. 'All pesticides and chemicals used on food crops cause cancer in humans'	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	Q11.5
f. 'Human beings are the main cause of plant and animal species dying out'	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	Q11.6
g. 'Cars are not really an important cause of air pollution in Ireland'	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	Q11.7

12a. In general, do you think that **air pollution caused by cars** is ...

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

... extremely dangerous for the environment,

1

Q12.1

very dangerous,

2

somewhat dangerous,

3

not very dangerous,

4

or, not dangerous at all for the environment?

5

Can't choose

8

b. And do you think that **air pollution caused by cars** is ...

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

... extremely dangerous for you and your family,

1

Q12.2

very dangerous,

2

somewhat dangerous,

3

not very dangerous,

4

or, not dangerous at all for you and your family?

5

Can't choose

8

c. Within the next ten years, how likely do you think it is that there will be a large increase in ill-health in Ireland's cities as a result of **air pollution caused by cars**?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

Certain to happen

1

Q12.3

Very likely to happen

2

Fairly likely to happen

3

Not very likely to happen

4

or - Certain not to happen

5

Can't choose

8

13a In general, do you think that **nuclear power stations** are ...

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- ... extremely dangerous for the environment, ☐ 1
- very dangerous, ☐ 2
- somewhat dangerous, ☐ 3
- not very dangerous, ☐ 4
- or, not dangerous at all for the environment? ☐ 5
- Can't choose ☐ 6

Q13.1

b. And do you think that **nuclear power stations** are ...

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- ... extremely dangerous for you and your family, ☐ 1
- very dangerous, ☐ 2
- somewhat dangerous, ☐ 3
- not very dangerous, ☐ 4
- or, not dangerous at all for you and your family? ☐ 5
- Can't choose ☐ 6

Q13.2

14a In general, do you think that **air pollution caused by industry** is ...

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- ... extremely dangerous for the environment, ☐ 1
- very dangerous, ☐ 2
- somewhat dangerous, ☐ 3
- not very dangerous, ☐ 4
- or, not dangerous at all for the environment? ☐ 5
- Can't choose ☐ 6

Q14.1

b. And do you think that **air pollution caused by industry** is ...

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- ... extremely dangerous for you and your family, ☐ 1
- very dangerous, ☐ 2
- somewhat dangerous, ☐ 3
- not very dangerous, ☐ 4
- or, not dangerous at all for you and your family? ☐ 5
- Can't choose ☐ 6

Q14.2

15a In general, do you think that **pesticides and chemicals**
used in farming are ...

PLEASE TICK **ONE**
BOX ONLY

... extremely dangerous for the environment,

(✓)

☐ 1

very dangerous,

☐ 2

somewhat dangerous,

☐ 3

not very dangerous,

☐ 4

or, not dangerous at all for the environment?

☐ 5

Can't choose

☐ 6

Q15.1

b. And do you think that **pesticides and chemicals** used
in farming are ...

PLEASE TICK **ONE**
BOX ONLY

... extremely dangerous for you and your family,

(✓)

☐ 1

very dangerous,

☐ 2

somewhat dangerous,

☐ 3

not very dangerous,

☐ 4

or, not dangerous at all for you and your family?

☐ 5

Can't choose

☐ 6

Q15.2

16a In general, do you think that **pollution of Ireland's rivers,**
lakes and streams is ...

PLEASE TICK **ONE**
BOX ONLY

... extremely dangerous for the environment,

(✓)

☐ 1

very dangerous,

☐ 2

somewhat dangerous,

☐ 3

not very dangerous,

☐ 4

or, not dangerous at all for the environment?

☐ 5

Can't choose

☐ 6

Q16.1

b. And do you think that **pollution of Ireland's rivers,**
lakes and streams is ...

PLEASE TICK **ONE**
BOX ONLY

... extremely dangerous for you and your family,

(✓)

☐ 1

very dangerous,

☐ 2

somewhat dangerous,

☐ 3

not very dangerous,

☐ 4

or, not dangerous at all for you and your family?

☐ 5

Can't choose

☐ 6

Q16.2

17a In general, do you think that a rise in the world's temperature caused by the 'greenhouse effect' is ...

PLEASE TICK ONE
BOX ONLY

- ... extremely dangerous for the environment,
very dangerous,
somewhat dangerous,
not very dangerous,
or, not dangerous at all for the environment?
Can't choose

(✓)

☐☐☐☐☐☐

Q17.1

b. And do you think that a rise in the world's temperature caused by the 'greenhouse effect' is ...

PLEASE TICK ONE
BOX ONLY

- ... extremely dangerous for you and your family,
very dangerous,
somewhat dangerous,
not very dangerous,
or, not dangerous at all for you and your family?
Can't choose

(✓)

☐☐☐☐☐☐

Q17.2

18a If you had to choose, which one of the following would be closest to your views?

PLEASE TICK ONE
BOX ONLY

- Government should let **ordinary people** decide for themselves how to protect the environment, even if it means they don't always do the right thing
OR
Government should pass laws to make **ordinary people** protect the environment, even if it interferes with people's rights to make their own decisions

(✓)

☐☐

Can't choose

☐

Q18.1

b. And which one of the following would be closest to your views?

PLEASE TICK ONE
BOX ONLY

- Government should let **businesses** decide for themselves how to protect the environment, even if it means they don't always do the right thing
OR
Government should pass laws to make **businesses** protect the environment, even if it interferes with business' rights to make their own decisions

(✓)

☐☐

Can't choose

☐

Q18.2

19a. How often do you make a special effort to **sort glass or
tins or plastic or newspapers and so on** for recycling?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

	(✓)	
Always	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1
Often	<input type="checkbox"/>	2
Sometimes	<input type="checkbox"/>	3
Never	<input type="checkbox"/>	4
(Recycling not available where I live)	<input type="checkbox"/>	5

Q19.1

b. And how often do you make a special effort to **buy fruits and
vegetables grown without pesticides or chemicals?**

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

	(✓)	
Always	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1
Often	<input type="checkbox"/>	2
Sometimes	<input type="checkbox"/>	3
Never	<input type="checkbox"/>	4
(Not available where I live)	<input type="checkbox"/>	5

Q19.2

c. And how often do you **refuse to eat meat for
moral or environmental reasons?**

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

	(✓)	
Always	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1
Often	<input type="checkbox"/>	2
Sometimes	<input type="checkbox"/>	3
Never	<input type="checkbox"/>	4

Q19.3

d. And how often do you **cut back on driving a car for
environmental reasons?**

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

	(✓)	
Always	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1
Often	<input type="checkbox"/>	2
Sometimes	<input type="checkbox"/>	3
Never	<input type="checkbox"/>	4
(I do not have or cannot drive a car)	<input type="checkbox"/>	5

Q19.4

- 20 Are you a member of any group whose main aim is to preserve or protect the environment?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

Yes ☐ 1

No ☐ 2

Q20

- 21 In the last **five years**, have you...

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ON EACH LINE

	Yes, I have	No, I have not	
a. ... signed a petition about an environmental issue?	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	Q21.1
b. ... given money to an environmental group?	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	Q21.2
c. ... taken part in a protest or demonstration about an environmental issue?	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	Q21.3

- 22 Please tick one box below to show which statement comes closest to expressing what you believe about God.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

I don't believe in God ☐ 1

I don't know whether there is a God and I don't believe there is any way to find out ☐ 2

I don't believe in a personal God, but I do believe in a Higher Power of some kind ☐ 3

I find myself believing in God some of the time, but not at others ☐ 4

While I have doubts, I feel that I do believe in God ☐ 5

I know God really exists and I have no doubts about it ☐ 6

Can't choose ☐ 8

Q22

- 23 Would you describe the place where you live as...

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

... a big city, ☐ 1

the suburbs or outskirts of a big city, ☐ 2

a small city or town, ☐ 3

a country village, ☐ 4

or, a farm or home in the country? ☐ 5

Q23

24 Which of the following best describes your home?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX

My home is ...

... a house or bungalow,

a flat or maisonette,

or — self-contained room(s) (not a flat)?

Other (PLEASE SAY WHAT) _____

(✓)

1

2

3

7

→ PLEASE GO
TO Q26

Q24

PLEASE ANSWER
Q25

IF YOU DO NOT LIVE IN A HOUSE OR BUNGALOW

25 Which of the following best describes your home heating bills?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX

My household's bills for home heating are mainly based
on the amount of heating that my household uses

(✓)

1

Q25

My household's bills for home heating are mainly
based on dividing up the total heating bill with
other households in the building (on the basis, say,
of size of apartment or number of inhabitants)

2

My household does not pay for home heating or fuel

3

Other (PLEASE SAY WHAT) _____

7

Don't know

8

EVERYONE PLEASE ANSWER

26 In mid-winter, how often do you lower or turn off
heating in your home when you are out for, say,
more than four hours?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX

Always

(✓)

1

Q26

Often

2

Sometimes

3

Never

4

I cannot lower or turn off heat in my home

5

27 How often do you switch off lights in rooms you leave
for a short time?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX

Always

(✓)

1

Q27

Often

2

Sometimes

3

Never

4

- 28 Does your household pay for its water supply according to the amount of water it uses (as measured by a water meter)?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX

	(✓)
Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
No	<input type="checkbox"/> 2
My home does not have running water	<input type="checkbox"/> 6
Don't know	<input type="checkbox"/> 8

Q28

- 29a How true do you think the following statement is?

"Within the next twenty years or so, shortages of oil and gas will be one of the most serious problems for Ireland."

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX

	(✓)
Definitely true	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
Probably true	<input type="checkbox"/> 2
Probably not true	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
Definitely not true	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
Can't choose	<input type="checkbox"/> 8

Q29.1

- b. And how true do you think the following statement is?

"Within the next twenty years or so, a rise in the world's temperature caused by the 'greenhouse effect' will be one of the most serious problems for Ireland."

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX

	(✓)
Definitely true	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
Probably true	<input type="checkbox"/> 2
Probably not true	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
Definitely not true	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
Can't choose	<input type="checkbox"/> 8

Q29.2

30. There are various ways governments might try to get people to use less energy, for the sake of the environment. Please tick one box for each policy below to show your views.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX FOR EACH

	Strongly In favour	Somewhat in favour	Neither In favour nor against	Somewhat against	Strongly against	Can't choose	
For the sake of the environment, the Irish government should ...							
a. ... spend public money on campaigns to persuade people to use less energy	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	Q30.1
b. ... put up energy taxes each year for the next ten years to get people to use less energy	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	Q30.2
c. ... spend public money on grants to help all households put in better home insulation in order to save energy	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	Q30.3
d. ... restrict or ration the amount of energy that each household is allowed to use to make people use less energy	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	Q30.4

- 31 Whether or not you own a car, how many days a week do you usually drive a car or van or motorbike?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX

I never drive	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1	Q31
I usually drive less often than once a week	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	
I usually drive one or two days a week	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	
I usually drive three or four days a week	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	
I usually drive five or six days a week	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	
I usually drive seven days a week	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	

- 32 Does your household own, or have the regular use of, a car or van or motorbike?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX

Yes, one vehicle only	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1	Q32
Yes, two vehicles	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	
Yes, three or more vehicles	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	
No	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	

- 33a Have you chosen or helped choose a car, van or motorbike for yourself or your household in the last five years or so?
PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX

(✓)
Yes ☐ 1 → PLEASE ANSWER Q33b BELOW
No ☐ 2 PLEASE GO TO Q34
Can't remember ☐ 8

Q33.1

IF YOU ANSWERED YES AT a.

- b. When you chose or helped choose the last car, van or motorbike, how important to you personally was it to choose a model which was less harmful to the environment?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX

Choosing a model less harmful to the environment was ...

... the single most important thing,

very important,

fairly important,

not important.

I did not consider it at all

Can't remember

(✓)

☐ 1☐ 2☐ 3☐ 4☐ 5☐ 8

Q33.2

EVERYONE PLEASE ANSWER

- 34a Do you work or study outside the home?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX

(✓)
Yes ☐ 1 → PLEASE ANSWER Qs34 b & c
No ☐ 2 → PLEASE GO TO Q35

Q34.1

IF YOU ANSWERED YES AT a.

- b. About how long does your daily journey to your normal workplace or place of study usually take door-to-door?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

My **one-way** journey usually takes ...

... up to 5 minutes,

more than 5, up to 10 minutes,

more than 10, up to 15 minutes,

more than 15, up to 20 minutes,

more than 20, up to 30 minutes,

more than 30, up to 45 minutes,

more than 45, up to 60 minutes,

more than 60, up to 90 minutes,

or — more than 90 minutes.

(I have no normal workplace)

(✓)

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Q34.2

- ? What is the main form of transport you normally use for your journey to your workplace or place of study? (By 'main form' of transport, we mean the form you use for the longest distance.)

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX

I travel by car on my own

(✓)

01

→ PLEASE ANSWER
Q34d

Q34.3

I travel by car with at least one other person

02

I travel by motorbike, moped, or motor scooter

03

I travel by public transport (train,
bus, underground, tram)

04

PLEASE GO
TO Q35

I travel by bicycle

05

I walk

06

Other (PLEASE SAY WHAT) _____

97

IF YOU TRAVEL TO WORK OR TO STUDY IN A CAR ON YOUR OWN

- d. Suppose you could not use your car(s) for your journey to work or to study for a week. What main form of transport would you be most likely to use in that case? (By 'main form', we mean the form you use for the longest distance.)

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

If I could not use my car(s) for a week, I would ...

(✓)

... stay at home,

01

Q34.4

get a lift with someone else,

02

go by motorbike or moped,

03

use public transport,

04

cycle,

05

walk.

06

Other (PLEASE SAY WHAT) _____

97

EVERYONE PLEASE ANSWER

- 35 What is the main form of transport you normally use for your main food shopping? (By 'main form' of transport, we mean the form you use for the longest distance.)

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX

(✓)

I do not do the main food shopping for my household

01

Q35

I travel by car on my own

02

I travel by car with at least one other person

03

I travel by motorbike, moped, or motor scooter

04

I travel by public transport (train,
bus, underground, tram)

05

I travel by bicycle

06

I walk

07

Other (PLEASE SAY WHAT) _____

97

- 36 Compared with most people, how much effort would you say you make to cut back on driving, for the sake of the environment?
Please tick one box that best describes your effort.

(✓)

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOXI do not have a car, van or motorcycle
for the sake of the environment

96

Q36

I do not own or drive a car, van or motorcycle
for some other reason

97

I make ...

... much more effort than most people,

01

a bit more effort,

02

about the same effort,

03

a bit less effort,

04

or — much less effort than most people.

05

Can't choose

98

- 37 How true do you think the following statement is?

**"Within the next twenty years or so, traffic noise will
be one of the most serious problems for Ireland."**

(✓)

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX

Definitely true

1

Q37

Probably true

2

Probably not true

3

Definitely not true

4

Can't choose

8

- 38 There are various ways governments might try to get people to cut back on driving, for the sake of the environment. Please tick one box for each policy below to show your views.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX FOR EACH

	Strongly in favour	Somewhat in favour	Neither in favour nor against	Somewhat against	Strongly against	Can't choose	
For the sake of the environment, the Irish government should ...							
a. ... spend public money on campaigns to persuade people to cut back on driving	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	Q38.1
b. ... put up taxes on petrol each year for the next ten years to get people to cut back on driving	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	Q38.2
c. ... put a special environment tax on private cars and use the money to improve public transport.	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	Q38.3
d. ... restrict or ration the amount of petrol or diesel that people are allowed to buy to make them cut back on driving	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	Q38.4

- 39 When you are shopping, how often do you pay attention to the amount of wrapping or packaging used on products before you decide to buy something?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX

	()
Always	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
Often	<input type="checkbox"/> 2
Sometimes	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
Never	<input type="checkbox"/> 4

Q39

- 40 In the last month or so, did you actually NOT buy something because you felt it used too much packaging or wrapping?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX

	()
Yes, did NOT buy something because of the amount of packaging or wrapping	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
No	<input type="checkbox"/> 2
Don't know/can't remember	<input type="checkbox"/> 3

Q40

41. Some household wastes can be recycled (for instance glass, paper, tins and plastics). Could you say whether the following types of recycling facilities are available in your area (i.e. convenient enough for you to use if you wished).

	No Recycling Facilities Available	Household Collection of Sorted Waste for recycling	Recycling Bank (for cans bottles etc.)	Do you use it?				
				Regularly	Occasionally	Seldom	Never	
Glass	1	2	3	1	2	3	4	Q41.1,.2
Paper	1	2	3	1	2	3	4	Q41.3,.4
Cans	1	2	3	1	2	3	4	Q41.5,.6
Plastic	1	2	3	1	2	3	4	Q41.7,.8

(If some recycling facilities not available) Would you avail of these recycling facilities if they were available in your area?

Yes 1 No 2

Q41.9

42. How true do you think the following statement is: "Within the next twenty years or so, finding official sites to dump or burn household waste will be one of the most serious problems for Ireland"

Definitely true 1
Probably True 2
Probably not true 3
Definitely not true 4
[Can't choose 8]

Q42.1

43. There are various ways governments might try to get people to produce less household waste, for the sake of the environment. Please indicate whether you are for or against each of the following policies, and how strongly.

<i>For the sake of the environment, the Irish Government should</i>	Strongly in favour	Somewhat in favour	Neither in favour nor against	Somewhat against	Strongly against	Can't choose	
a. spend public money on campaigns to persuade people to produce less household waste	1	2	3	4	5	8	Q43.1
b. make each household pay for its own rubbish collection according to the amount of rubbish it leaves out, to get people to produce less household waste	1	2	3	4	5	8	Q43.2
c. control the amount and type of packaging on products, even if it leads to higher prices or less convenience for the customer	1	2	3	4	5	8	Q43.3

Now a few questions about environmental labelling, that is, information about how a product or its packaging may affect the environment.

- 44 When you are choosing a product, how often do you pay attention to any environmental labelling before deciding to buy?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX

(✓)

Always	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
Often	<input type="checkbox"/> 2
Sometimes	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
Never	<input type="checkbox"/> 4

Q44

- 45 And if you look at environmental labelling on products, how often do you trust it?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX

(✓)

(Never look at environmental labelling)	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
Always	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
Often	<input type="checkbox"/> 2
Sometimes	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
Never	<input type="checkbox"/> 4

Q45

- 46 There are various ways governments might try to get people to do less harm to the environment. Please tick one box for each policy below to show your views.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX FOR EACH

For the sake of the environment, the Irish government should ...	Strongly in favour	Somewhat in favour	Neither in favour nor against	Somewhat against	Strongly against	Can't choose	
a. ... spend public money on campaigns to persuade people not to harm the environment	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	Q46.1
b. ... put up taxes on things which harm the environment each year for the next ten years, to get people not to buy or use them	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	Q46.2
c. ... pass strict environmental laws in order to stop people causing harm to the environment	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	Q46.3

- 47 Thinking now of all the possible things that people can do:
compared with most people, how much effort would you say you
make, in general, to do what is right for the environment?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX

- In general, I make ...
- | | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|---|
| ... much more effort than most people, | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 1 |
| a bit more effort, | <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 |
| about the same effort, | <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 |
| a bit less effort, | <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 |
| or — much less effort than most people. | <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 |
| Can't choose | <input type="checkbox"/> | 8 |

Q47

- 48 Who do you think should have the **final say** when it
comes to passing laws to protect the environment...

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX

- ... the Oireachtas (Irish Parliament), ☒ 1
- OR
- ... the European Community? ☐ 2
- Can't choose ☐ 8

Q48

- 49 Compared to other countries in the European Community, how
much do you think Ireland does to protect the environment?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX

- Ireland does ...
- | | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|---|
| ... much more than other EC countries to
protect the environment, | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 1 |
| a bit more, | <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 |
| about the same amount, | <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 |
| a bit less, | <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 |
| or — a lot less than other EC countries to
protect the environment? | <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 |
| Can't choose | <input type="checkbox"/> | 8 |

Q49

- 50 Do you agree or disagree:

"Ireland should pass special laws to protect the environment only
if all the other European Community countries do the same."

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX

- Strongly agree ☒ 1
- Somewhat agree ☐ 2
- Neither agree nor disagree ☐ 3
- Somewhat disagree ☐ 4
- Strongly disagree ☐ 5
- Can't choose ☐ 8

Q50

51. **When shopping, how often do you**

	Regularly	Occasionally	Seldom	Never	
X Buy recycled products	1	2	3	4	Q51.1
Bring a plastic bag back to use at the supermarket	1	2	3	4	Q51.2
Bring your own shopping bag to the supermarket	1	2	3	4	Q51.3

52. **Does this household have a dog?**

Yes 1 No 2

Q52.1

X **If yes, do you bring a poop-a-scoop when taking your dog for a walk?**

Yes 1 No 2

Q52.2

53. **Have you ever**

Yes, more than once Yes, once only Never

X complained to a person who had left or dumped litter or household waste in a public place	1	2	3	Q53.1
joined a voluntary group to clear up litter or remove eyesores on beaches, open spaces, roads etc	1	2	3	Q53.2

54. **Do you have a garden?** Yes 1 No 2

Q54.1

X (If yes) **Do you keep kitchen or garden waste for use as a compost?**

Yes 1 No 2

Q54.2

55. **How concerned would you say you are about**

Very Quite Not Very Not at all

X Litter and graffiti	1	2	3	4	Q55.1
The way industrial waste is disposed of	1	2	3	4	Q55.2
The way household waste is disposed of	1	2	3	4	Q55.3
general appearance of your area	1	2	3	4	Q55.4

56. **To meet EC obligations regarding the protection of the environment, it will be necessary to improve our methods of waste disposal and other services. These improvements will have to be paid for, one way or another. This may be through *higher taxes* such as income tax, VAT etc., or through *fixed service charges* on households or by *charges based on the amount of the service* a household or firm uses (for instance, by metering water and charging per gallon used). In relation to each of the following services, how do you feel it should be paid for.**

	Increases in taxes	Fixed Service Charge	Charge for amount used	
Supply of drinking water	1	2	3	Q56.1
Sewage treatment and disposal	1	2	3	Q56.2
Dealing with household garbage through recycling, treatment or disposal	1	2	3	Q56.3
Industrial waste disposal	1	2	3	Q56.4

Finally, I'd like to ask just a few questions which will help us to classify the answers given above.

57. **What is respondent's sex?** Male 1 Female 2 Q57.1
58. **What is your age last birthday?** _____ years Q58.1
59. **What is the highest level of education you attained?**
- | | | |
|------------------------------------|---|-------|
| None | 1 | Q59.1 |
| Incomplete primary | 2 | |
| Primary completed | 3 | |
| Incomplete secondary | 4 | |
| Secondary completed | 5 | |
| Third level incomplete | 6 | |
| Third level Certificate or Diploma | 7 | |
| Third level Degree | 8 | |
60. **What is your labour force status?**
- | | | |
|---|----|-------|
| at work as an employee | 1 | Q60.1 |
| self-employed with employees | 2 | |
| self-employed without employees | 3 | |
| relative assisting (not receiving regular wage) | 4 | |
| looking for first regular job | 5 | |
| unemployed having lost or given up a previous job | 6 | |
| student | 7 | |
| home duties | 8 | |
| retired from employment | 9 | |
| unable to work due to permanent sickness/disability | 10 | |
| other | 11 | |
61. (a) **What is your usual occupation?** (Describe fully; if farmer state acreage. If unemployed or retired, give last occupation. If Named Respondent is a student, looking for first regular job or never worked, ask "What is the occupation of the main earner in the household?")
- _____
- _____
- _____ Q61.1
- (b) **Do (did) you supervise or are (were) you responsible for the work of any other people?**
- | | | | | |
|-----|---|----|---|-------|
| Yes | 1 | No | 2 | Q61.2 |
|-----|---|----|---|-------|
- (c) (If working) **What are your usual working hours in a week?** _____ hours/week Q61.3
- (d) (If self-employed) **Do you have any employees?**
- | | | | | |
|-----|---|----|---|-------|
| Yes | 1 | No | 2 | Q61.4 |
|-----|---|----|---|-------|
- (e) **If yes, how many?** _____ Q61.5
- (f) **Do you work for:**
- | | | |
|--|---|-------|
| 1 Civil Service | 1 | Q61.6 |
| 1 Local Authority, Health Board or VEC | 2 | |
| 1 Non-commercial Semi-State body | 3 | |
| 2 Semi-State body | 4 | |
| 3 Private sector (i.e. all others) | 5 | |

62. Are you

Single	1
Married	2
Widowed/Separated	3
Divorced	4

Q62.1

63. (If married) What is your spouse's employment status?

at work as an employee	1
self-employed with employees	2
self-employed without employees	3
relative assisting (not receiving regular wage)	4
looking for first regular job	5
unemployed having lost or given up a previous job	6
student	7
home duties	8
retired from employment	9
unable to work due to permanent sickness/disability	10
other	11

Q63.1

64. (If spouse working) What is his/her occupation? (Describe fully, if farmer state acreage. If unemployed or retired, give last occupation)

Q64.1

65. Thinking now of all the other people in the household, could you tell me quickly their ages and sexes, starting with the eldest and working down. (Do not include the respondent)

	Age	Sex		
		M	F	
Eldest other person	_____	1	2	-1, .2
Next eldest other person	_____	1	2	-3, .4
Next eldest other person	_____	1	2	-5, .6
Next eldest other person	_____	1	2	-7, .8
Next eldest other person	_____	1	2	-9, .10
Next eldest other person	_____	1	2	-11, .12
Next eldest other person	_____	1	2	-13, .14
Next eldest other person	_____	1	2	-15, .16
Next eldest other person	_____	1	2	-17, .18
Next eldest other person	_____	1	2	-19, .20
Next eldest other person	_____	1	2	-21, .22

Q65 -

66. (a) What is your Religion?

Roman Catholic	10
Church of Ireland	44
Presbyterian	43
Methodist	41
None	90
Other	xx
(Specify) _____	

Q66.1

(b) How often would you say you attend Mass or Religious Services?

More than once a week	1
Once a week	2
Two or three times a month	3
Once a month	4
Several times a year	5
Less frequently	6
Never	7
Refused	8
Don't know	9
No answer	10

Q66.3

67. Looking at this card, (Show Card B) into which category would you say your own net weekly earnings fall? How about the net income of the household i.e. the figure you would get if you added together the net incomes of all the members of the household? Be sure to include all pensions, social welfare payments, interest income etc.

<u>£/week</u>	<u>own earnings</u>	<u>net household income</u>
0-50	1	1
51-99	2	2
100-149	3	3
150-199	4	4
200-299	5	5
300-399	6	6
400-499	7	7
500-699	8	8
700+	9	9

Q67.1 c

Q67.2 f

68. If there were a general election tomorrow, which party do you think you would support?

Fianna Fail	1
Fine Gael	2
Labour	3
Progressive Democrats	4
Democratic Left	5
Green Party	6
Workers Party	7
Sinn Fein	8
Other	9

Q68.1

69. People have different ideas about social classes and who belongs to them. In your own case, if you had to classify yourself in to one of the categories, which would it be?

Lower class	1
Working class	2
Middle class	3
Upper middle class	4
Upper class	5

Q69.1