23-043687 ARINS 2023 research Questionnaire

Good morning/afternoon/evening, I am from Ipsos, we are conducting a survey in the area, and we'd like to ask you a few questions about **Northern Ireland's future (NI SCRIPT)/Ireland's and Northern Ireland's future (ROI SCRIPT)** and the possibility of a referendum on Northern Ireland staying in the UK or unifying with the Republic of Ireland. It should take around **30** minutes to complete. Please be assured that all responses you provide today will be treated in the strictest confidence and the research will be conducted in line with the principles of the Market Research Society Code of Conduct. The questionnaire explores the issue from several angles, so each question is different, even if sometimes it may feel as if I am repeating a question.

It will not be possible to identify any particular individual within the results.

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Are you happy to take part?

Yes	1	Continue
No	2	Thank and close

Before we begin, I'd like to inform you that Ipsos is a member of the Market Research Society.

All information that you give us will be treated in the strictest confidence and your identity will not be passed on to a third party or connected to your answers in any way.

This questionnaire contains some questions relating to your community background, national identity, and your social and political views. This information is collected so that we can ensure we are collecting views from a range of different people and is treated completely confidentially. You are free not to answer if you wish.

Are you happy to proceed with the survey on this basis?

Q_SpecialCategoryConsent

Yes	1	Continue to Q1
No	2	Thank and close

ASK ALL ROI:

Q.A First of all can I ask, which of the following applies to you? INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: READ OUT. SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE

I did not complete the Leaving Certificate	
I completed the Leaving Certificate only	1
I went on to third level education	2

ASK ALL IN NI:

Q.B First of all, what religion, religious denomination or body do you belong to? SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE

Catholic	1
Protestant	2
Other	3
None	4

Do you think there should be referendums in Northern Ireland and in the Republic of Ireland asking Q.A1 people whether they want Northern Ireland to remain in the United Kingdom or to unify with the Republic of Ireland?

SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE.

Yes, there should be referendums	1
No, there should not be any referendums	2
Don't know	3

ASK ALL:

When, if ever, do you think the referendums should be held? Q.A2 **INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: READ OUT** SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE. FLIP SCALE EXCEPT CODE 7.

Within the next 2 years	1
In about 5 years' time	2
In about 10 years' time	3
In about 20 years' time	4
More than 20 years' time	5
There should never be a referendum	6
Don't know (DNRO)	7

ASK ALL:

Q.A3 If there was a referendum in [the Republic of Ireland (ROI survey)/Northern Ireland (NI survey)] asking people whether they want Northern Ireland to remain in the United Kingdom or to unify with the Republic of Ireland, how would you vote in that referendum? **INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: SHOWSCREEN**

SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE. FLIP SCALE EXCEPT CODES 3 & 8.

1
2
3
8

ASK ALL:

Q.A4 For each of the following options, please indicate the extent to which you would be opposed or in favour, using this 1 to 7 scale, where '1' means you are strongly opposed and '7' means you are strongly in favour...

INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: SHOWSCREEN

SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE PER STATEMENT. FLIP SCALE

		Strongly opposed						Strongly in favour	Don't know
a)	Northern Ireland to stay in the								
	United Kingdom	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
b)	Northern Ireland to leave the								
	United Kingdom and unify								
	with the Republic of Ireland	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

ASK ALL:

Imagine there was a referendum in Northern Ireland and in the Republic of Ireland, and a majority in Q.A5 both places voted for Northern Ireland to stay in the UK. Please indicate what your reaction would be: **INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: SHOWSCREEN.**

SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE. FLIP SCALE EXCEPT CODE 4

I would find it almost impossible to accept	1
I would not be happy, but could live with it	2
I would happily accept it	3

Don't know	4
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Q.A6 Imagine there was a referendum in Northern Ireland and in the Republic of Ireland, and a majority in both places voted for Northern Ireland to unify with the Republic of Ireland. Please indicate what your reaction would be:

INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: SHOWSCREEN. SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE. FLIP SCALE EXCEPT CODE 4

I would find it almost impossible to accept	1
I would not be happy, but could live with it	2
I would happily accept it	3
Don't know	4

B. IDENTITY

ASK ALL:

Q. B1 Which of the following best describes your national identity? INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: READ OUT. SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: MULTICODE ALLOWED.

British	1
Irish	2
Northern Irish	3
European	4
Other (write in))	5

ASK ALL:

Q. B2 Here is a scale that we would like you to use to describe the extent to which you feel Irish, European, Northern Irish, or British. On the 0 to 10 scale, 0 means 'Not at all' and 10 means 'Very strongly', please choose any number between 0 and 10. To what extent do you feel?

INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: SHOWSCREEN SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: ALLOW SINGLE CODE PER STATEMENT. FLIP SCALE EXCEPT FOR CODE 99

												Prefer
												not to
												say/
												refused
	Not at											to
	all										Very	answer
											strongly	
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	99
Irish												
European												
Northern												
Irish												
British												

C. HOW PEOPLE VOTE

ASK ALL:

Q.C1 Thinking back to [the 2020 General Election (ROI survey)/ the Assembly election in May of 2022 (NI Survey)], did you vote in that election, or on the day were you not able to vote or did you choose not to vote?'

INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: READ OUT

SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE.

Yes	1
No, not able to vote on the day	2
No, chose not to vote	3
Can't remember	4
Don't know	5

ASK ALL ROI & WHO VOTED (CODE 1 AT Q. C1):

Q. C2(a)To which party or independent candidate did you give your first preference vote? SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE.

Fianna Fáil	1
Fine Gael	2
Labour	3
Green Party	4
Sinn Féin	5
Solidarity (Anti-Aust. Alliance) - People Before Profit	6
Social Democrats	7
Aontú	8
Rise	9
Renua	10
Independent	11
Other	12
Can't recall	13

ASK ALL NI & WHO VOTED (CODE 1 AT Q. C1):

Q.C2(b) To which party or independent candidate did you give your first preference vote? SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE.

Alliance Party	1
Democratic Unionist Party (DUP)	2
Green Party	3
People Before Profit	4
Social Democratic and Labour Party (SDLP)	5
Sinn Féin	6
Traditional Unionist Voice (TUV)	7
Ulster Unionist Party (UUP)	8
Aontú	9
Independent	10
Other	11
Can't recall	12

ASK ALL ROI:

Q.C3(a) If there was an election tomorrow to which party or independent candidate would you give your first preference vote?

SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE.

Fianna Fáil	1
Fine Gael	2
Labour	3
Green Party	4
Sinn Féin	5
Solidarity (Anti-Aust. Alliance) - People Before Profit	6
Social Democrats	7
Aontú	8
Rise	9
Renua	10
Independent	11
Other	12
Don't know	13
Would not vote	14
Refused	15

ASK ALL NI:

Q.C3(b) If there was an Assembly election tomorrow to which party or independent candidate would you give your first preference vote?

SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE.

D. ECONOMICS

ASK ALL:

Q D1 Imagine that there are referendums, North and South, and people in both places voted for a United Ireland.

There may be economic consequences, both in the short and the long term.

Thinking about the economic consequences of Irish unity for <u>you and your immediate family</u>, do you think Irish unity would be...

INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: READ OUT SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE ONLY. FLIP SCALE EXCEPT CODE 5.

Costly in the short term, but beneficial in the long term	1
Costly in the short term, and not beneficial in the long term	2
Not costly in the short term, and beneficial in the long term	3
Not costly in the short term, and not beneficial in the long term	4
Don't know	5

ASK ALL

Q D2 And thinking about the economic consequences of Irish unity for <u>the average person on the island</u>, do you think Irish unity would be...

INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: READ OUT

SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE ONLY. FLIP SCALE EXCEPT CODE 5.

Costly in the short term, but beneficial in the long term	1
Costly in the short term, and not beneficial in the long term	2
Not costly in the short term, and beneficial in the long term	3
Not costly in the short term, and not beneficial in the long term	4
Don't know	5

ASK ALL

Q D3 In discussions about the possible economic consequences of Irish unity, the phrases 'in the short term' and 'in the long term' are often used. I'd like to ask you what, in your own mind, you think these phrases mean.

Which of the following do you think the phrase 'in the short term' refers to: INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: READ OUT. SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE ONLY

Within one year	1
Within two years	2
Within three years	3
Within four years	
Within five or six years	
Longer	
Don't know	7

ASK ALL

Q D4 And which of the following do you think the phrase 'in the long term' refers to: INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: READ OUT. SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE ONLY

In five years 1

In ten years	2
In fifteen years	
In twenty years	
In thirty years	
Longer	
In less than 5 years (DO NOT READ OUT)	
Don't know	8

Q D5 Some people may lose out economically if there was a united Ireland and others may benefit economically.

In relation to each of the following groups, please tell me if you think that in a united Ireland they would economically benefit, economically lose out, or economically stay the same.

INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: SHOWSCREEN.

SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: ALLOW SINGLE CODE PER STATEMENT. FLIP SCALE EXCEPT FOR CODE 4

	Economically benefit	Economically lose out	Economically stay the same	Don't Know
	1	2	3	4
a. People in the North in high income households				
b. People in the South in high income households				
c. People in the North in middle income households				
d. People in the South in middle income households				
e. People in the North in low income households				
f. People in the South in low income households				

ASK ALL

Q D6	How would you describe the household that you live in?	
	INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: READ OUT.	
	SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE ONLY	
	High income	1
	Middle income	2
	Low income	3
	Don't know	4

SCRIPTER/INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: Q.D7TO Q.L5 OF THE INTERVIEW IS SELF-COMPLETION AND SHOULD BE COMPLETED BY THE PARTICIPANT.

ASK ALL

Q D7 The Republic of Ireland currently has a budget surplus estimated in April 2023 at 10 billion Euros (almost nine billion pounds sterling). The International Monetary Fund has forecast that the Republic will have budgetary surpluses every year until 2028.

Some people think it would be a good idea to put some of that money aside — say ten per cent of it, or €1 billion Euros this year—to prepare for the possibility of a United Ireland after future referendums. The suggestion is to put that money into a 'sovereign wealth fund,' which would be invested to earn a profit, with the profits reinvested until the fund is used.

The fund would be used to address any costs associated with implementing a united Ireland <u>after</u> future referendums.

After say twenty years, if a United Ireland had not happened, the fund could be reviewed, and used for some other purposes.

Other people disagree with this idea and think that none of the budgetary surplus should be put aside in preparation for a united Ireland. They think that the surpluses should be either spent or invested for other purposes.

Which view is closest to your own? PARTICIPANT INSTRUCTION: PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE ONLY.

The Republic <u>should invest</u> 10% of any annual budget surplus in a sovereign wealth fund set aside to prepare for a United Ireland	1
The Republic <u>should not invest</u> any of its budget surplus in a sovereign wealth fund set aside	
to prepare for a United Ireland	2
I would like to know more about this idea before I come to a view	3
Don't know	4

ASK ALL

Q D8 Which of the following statements is closest to your view? If there was a united Ireland... PARTICIPANT INSTRUCTION: PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE ONLY. FLIP SCALE EXCEPT CODE 5.

Both North and South would benefit equally	1
The North would benefit more than the South	2
The South would benefit more than the North	3
Both the North and South would lose out equally	4
Don't know	5

ASK ALL

Q D9 I would now like to ask you how you feel about a united Ireland under specific conditions. In relation to each please tell me whether it would make you <u>a lot more likely</u> to vote for a united Ireland, <u>somewhat more likely</u> to vote for a united Ireland, <u>somewhat more likely</u> to vote for a united Ireland, <u>somewhat less likely</u> to vote for a united Ireland, <u>a lot less likely</u> to vote for a united Ireland, or whether it would make no difference to how you vote.

PARTICIPANT INSTRUCTION: PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY FOR EACH STATEMENT SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: ROTATE STATEMENTS. ALLOW SINGLE CODE ONLY PER STATEMENT. FLIP SCALE EXCEPT CODE 6

	a lot more	somewhat	somewhat	a lot less	it would	Don't know
	likely to vote	more likely to	less likely to	likely to vote	make no	
	for a united	vote for a	vote for a	for a united	difference	
	Ireland	united	united	Ireland		
		Ireland	Ireland			
	1	2	3	4	5	6
If a united						
Ireland led						
to you being						
€ 4000 (Rol)/						
£ 3,500 (NI)						
a year <u>better</u>						
off						

If a united			
Ireland led			
to you being €4000 (RoI)/ £ 3,500 (NI)			
a year <u>worse</u> <u>off</u>			

F. PRESIDENCY / SENATE

ASK ALL

Q F1 In the event of Irish reunification, there are three possible positions regarding the existing Constitution of Ireland. Which one do you prefer, if any?

PARTICIPANT INSTRUCTION: PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE ONLY.

The Constitution of Ireland should stay the same as it is now	1
The Constitution of Ireland should be amended to facilitate Irish reunification	2
A new Constitution of Ireland should be created by a Constitutional Convention which is	
made up of representatives elected from across the whole island	3
Don't know	4

ASK ALL

Q F2 In the event of Irish reunification, here is an idea on how Ireland's presidency might be changed to help make people in the North who identify as British feel as included as possible in a United Ireland.

To be elected President by the people, every candidate in the future must run for office with one running-mate who would be Vice-President. And the Vice-Presidential candidate must, in addition to being an Irish citizen, also hold British citizenship.

Please choose one of the following responses. PARTICIPANT INSTRUCTION: PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE ONLY

I agree with this idea	1
I disagree with this idea	2
I would like to know more about this idea before coming to a view	3
Don't know	4

ASK ALL

Q F3 Under the Constitution of Ireland, the Taoiseach (or Prime Minister) appoints 11 of Ireland's 60 Senators.

In the event of Irish reunification, here is an idea on how to change how these 11 Senators are appointed to give more influence to those from the North who identify as British.

It is proposed that in a United Ireland the President and the new Vice-President would jointly decide who these 11 Senators would be, and would be obliged to ensure that they are representative and inclusive of the whole island.

Please choose one of the following responses. PARTICIPANT INSTRUCTION: PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE ONLY

I agree with this idea	1
I disagree with this idea	2
I would like to know more about this idea before coming to a view	3
Don't know	4

G. PROCEDURE

ASK ALL

Q G1 If, in referendums North and South, people voted for a United Ireland, afterwards there may be calls to change some of the existing symbols used in the Republic, such as the national flag and anthem.

Some people propose the following procedure to address these questions.

A committee of the new all-island Irish parliament would consider the views of the public and experts in the heritage and culture of all the people in the island, in all their diversity.

The committee may propose a new flag and a new anthem to be designed through competitions among artists, poets, and musicians.

If they do organize competitions the most popular proposed new flag or anthem would be put to the people in a referendum.

The people would decide whether to keep the existing flag and anthem or to support the new versions.

No changes would take place unless a majority of citizens voted to approve the proposed changes in a referendum.

Please choose one of the following responses. PARTICIPANT INSTRUCTION: PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE ONLY

I agree with this idea	1
I disagree with this idea	2
I would like to know more about this idea before I come to a view	3
Don't know	4

H. PRIORITIES

ASK ALL:

Q. H Please look at the following list of subjects. Please indicate which, in your view, are the most important subjects for the country over the next ten years. Please tick up to four subjects you regard as most important for the country.

PARTICIPANT INSTRUCTION: PLEASE SELECT UP TO FOUR OPTIONS NO MORE THAN 4 RESPONSES TO BE RECORDED.

SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: MULTICODE POSSIBLE. MAX 4 RESPONSES ALLOWED. FLIP SCALE EXCEPT CODES 9 & 10.

Contributing to better management of climate change	1
Recovering from the coronavirus pandemic	2
Preparing for a referendum on a united Ireland	3
Achieving a united Ireland	4
Keeping Northern Ireland in the UK	5
Economic growth and prosperity	6
More and better housing for all	7
Increased funding and improvements in healthcare	8
None of these	9
Don't know	10

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EQUALLY CRUCIAL: IT IS NECESSARY TO DO THIS RANDOMISATION FOR EACH EXPERIMENT INDIVIDUALLY

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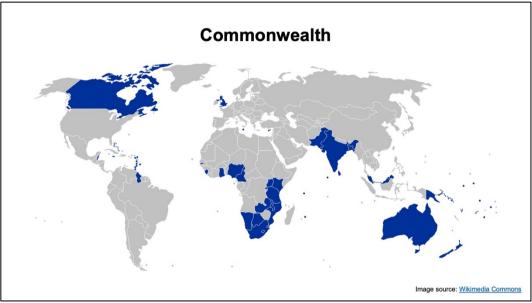
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<u>Q. L1</u>

INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: Q.L1 TO Q.L5 OF THE INTERVIEW IS SELF-COMPLETION AND SHOULD BE COMPLETED BY THE PARTICIPANT.

SCRIPTER INSTRUCTION: ON SCREEN SHOW IMAGE 1 [GLOBE WITH COMMONWEALTH COUNTRIES HIGHLIGHTED], WITH THE WORD 'COMMONWEALTH' AT THE TOP OF THE SCREEN. ALL RESPONDENTS ARE SHOWN THIS IMAGE.

RANDOMLY ASSIGN RESPONDENT TO EITHER CONDITION A OR B



Condition A respondents (random half)

And now a question about the Commonwealth...

The Commonwealth, once known as the British Commonwealth, emerged from the British Empire. King Charles III is the Head of the Commonwealth.

Condition B respondents (other random half)

And now a question about the Commonwealth...

The Commonwealth is made up of 56 independent countries, and 36 of them are Republics with a president as their Head of State. The Commonwealth Games are held every four years in a different member state.

ASK ALL

Q L1a

SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE ONLY. FLIP SCALE EXCEPT CODE 8. PARTICIPANT INSTRUCTION: PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

 Please indicate how you feel about the Commonwealth on a scale of 1 to 7 where 1 means 'very negative' and 7 means 'very positive', please choose any number between 1 and 7.

Very Negative	2	3	4	5	6	Very positive	Don't know	
1						7	8	

Q L1b

Imagine there is a new United Ireland. Of the following combinations of international organisations to which a United Ireland could belong, which is your preferred option? SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE ONLY. FLIP SCALE EXCEPT CODE 5. PARTICIPANT INSTRUCTION: PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

<u>In</u> the European Union but <u>not</u> in the Commonwealth	1
<u>In</u> the European Union <u>and in</u> the Commonwealth	2
Not in the European Union and <u>not in the Commonwealth</u>	3
Not in the European Union but in the Commonwealth	4
Don't know	5

<u>Q L2</u>

SCRIPTER INSTRUCTION: ON SCREEN SHOW IMAGE 2 [SHAMROCK] FOR BOTH CONDITIONS, WITH WORD 'SHAMROCK' ON SCREEN. ALL RESPONDENTS ARE SHOWN THIS IMAGE RANDOMLY ASSIGN RESPONDENT TO EITHER CONDITION A OR B



Condition A respondents (random half)

The shamrock is strongly associated with the celebrations on St. Patrick's Day.

Condition B respondents (other random half)

The shamrock is a national symbol of Ireland and is also used as an emblem of the Royal Irish Regiment of the British Army.

ASK ALL

Q L2a

Please indicate how you feel about the shamrock as a symbol on a scale of 1 to 7 where 1 means 'very negative' and 7 means 'very positive', please choose any number between 1 and 7. SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE ONLY. FLIP SCALE EXCEPT CODE 8. PARTICIPANT INSTRUCTION: PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

Very	2	3	4	5	6	Very	Don't
Negative						Positive	know
1						7	8

Q L2b

Imagine there were referendums, North and South, and people voted in favour of a United Ireland. And imagine in this united Ireland new images were proposed for coins. There could be a different new image on one side of all the eight different Euro coins: 2 Euros, 1 Euro, 50c, 20c, 10c, 5c, 2c and 1c. So, eight new images in total. If there was a proposal to have the image of the shamrock on one of the Euro coins, would you be.?

SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE ONLY. FLIP SCALE EXCEPT CODE 6. PARTICIPANT INSTRUCTION: PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

Very strongly opposed	1
Fairly strongly opposed	2
Neither opposed nor in favour	3
Fairly strongly in favour	4
Very strongly in favour	
Don't know	6

<u>Q. L3</u>

SCRIPTER INSTRUCTION: ON SCREEN, SHOW IMAGE 3 OF A POPPY FOR BOTH CONDITIONS, WITH THE WORD 'POPPY' AT THE TOP OF THE SCREEN. ALL RESPONDENTS ARE SHOWN THIS IMAGE RANDOMLY ASSIGN RESPONDENT TO EITHER CONDITION A OR B



Condition A respondents (random half)

Here is an image of a poppy.

Poppies are worn to honour and remember those in the British armed forces who lost their lives on active service from the beginning of the First World War up to the present day.

Condition B respondents (other random half)

Here is an image of a poppy.

The poppy is a symbol of remembering those who have died in war and conflict and is a symbol of a hopeful and peaceful future.

ASK ALL

Q. L3a

Please indicate how you feel about the poppy as a symbol on a scale of 1 to 7 where 1 means 'very negative' and 7 means 'very positive', please choose any number between 1 and 7. SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE ONLY. FLIP SCALE EXCEPT CODE 8. PARTICIPANT INSTRUCTION: PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

Very	2	3	4	5	6	Very	Don't
Negative						Positive	know
1						7	8

Q. L3b

Imagine there was a new United Ireland and there was a proposal to have the image of the poppy on one of the Euro coins. Would you be...?

SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE ONLY. FLIP SCALE EXCEPT CODE 6. PARTICIPANT INSTRUCTION: PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

Very strongly opposed	1
Fairly strongly opposed	
Neither opposed nor in favour	
Fairly strongly in favour	4
Very strongly in favour	
Don't know	

ASK ALL

Q. L3c

Are you in favour of, or opposed to, commemorating those who lost their lives serving in the armed forces during the two world wars?

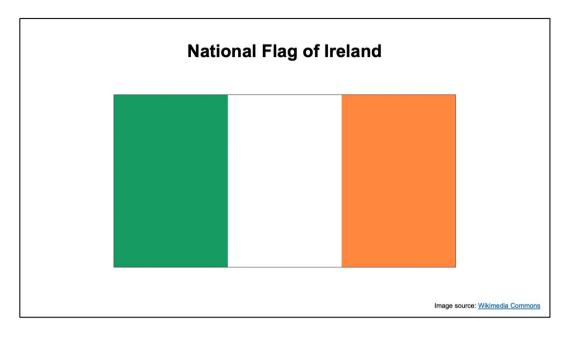
SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE ONLY. FLIP SCALE EXCEPT CODE 6. PARTICIPANT INSTRUCTION: PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

Very strongly opposed	1
Fairly strongly opposed	2
Neither opposed nor in favour	3
Fairly strongly in favour	4
Very strongly in favour	5
Don't know	6

<u>Q. L4</u>

SCRIPTER INSTRUCTION: ON SCREEN SHOW IMAGE 4 [FLAG OF IRELAND] FOR BOTH CONDITIONS, WITH THE WORDS 'NATIONAL FLAG OF IRELAND' AT THE TOP OF THE SCREEN. ALL RESPONDENTS ARE SHOWN THIS IMAGE.

RANDOMLY ASSIGN RESPONDENT TO EITHER CONDITION A OR B



Condition A respondents (random half)

Here is an image of the national flag of Ireland. Since the formation of the Irish State, the national flag has been the republican tricolour. It was famously flown during the 1916 Easter Rising and in the Irish War of Independence against British rule.

Condition B respondents (other random half)

Here is an image of the national flag of Ireland. The flag was designed to represent the two main political traditions on the island. The white in the centre represents lasting peace between "orange" and "green".

ASK ALL

Q. L4a

Please indicate how you feel about the national flag of Ireland on a scale of 1 to 7 where 1 means 'very negative' and 7 means 'very positive', please choose any number between 1 and 7. SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: ALLOW SINGLE CODE ONLY. FLIP SCALE EXCEPT CODE 8. PARTICIPANT INSTRUCTION: PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

Very	2	3	4	5	6	Very	Don't
Negative						Positive	know
1						7	8

Q. L4b

Imagine there was a new United Ireland. Please indicate your views on this scale from 1 to 7, where '1' means "The current national flag of Ireland should <u>definitely remain</u> as the flag of the new United Ireland" and 7 means "The current national flag of Ireland should <u>definitely be replaced</u> and there should be a new agreed flag in the new united Ireland". Please choose any number between 1 and 7 SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: ALLOW SINGLE CODE ONLY. FLIP SCALE EXCEPT CODE 8. PARTICIPANT INSTRUCTION: PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

The						The	Don't know
current						current	
national						national	
flag of						flag of	
Ireland						Ireland	
should						should	
definitely						definitely	
remain as						be	
the flag of						replaced	
the new						and there	
United						should be a	
Ireland						new	
1						agreed flag	
	2	3	4	5	6	in the new	8
						United	
						Ireland	
						7	

<u>Q. L5</u>

SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: ON SCREEN SHOW IMAGE OF RED HAND OF ULSTER ON SCREEN FOR ALL RESPONDENTS IN BOTH CONDITIONS, WITH THE WORDS 'RED HAND OF ULSTER' AT THE TOP OF THE SCREEN. ALL RESPONDENTS ARE SHOWN THIS IMAGE] RANDOMLY ASSIGN RESPONDENT TO EITHER CONDITION A OR B

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Condition A respondents (random half)

The Red Hand is a symbol often used to represent Ulster. It is used by loyalist paramilitaries on their flags.

Condition B respondents (other random half)

The Red Hand is a symbol often used to represent Ulster. It is used by the Gaelic Athletic Association – the GAA – on its Ulster flag to represent one of the four provinces of Ireland. The Red Hand is also on the Ulster Banner which is the flag used to represent the Northern Ireland football team.

ASK ALL

Q L5a

Please indicate how you feel about the Red Hand of Ulster as a symbol on a scale of 1 to 7 where 1 means 'very negative' and 7 means 'very positive', please choose any number between 1 and 7. SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: ALLOW SINGLE CODE ONLY. FLIP SCALE EXCEPT CODE 8. PARTICIPANT INSTRUCTION: PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

Very	2	3	4	5	6	Very	Don't
Negative						Positive	know
1						7	8

Q L5b

Imagine there was a new United Ireland and there was a proposal to have the image of the Red Hand of Ulster on one of the Euro coins. Would you be.? SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE ONLY. FLIP SCALE EXCEPT CODE 6. PARTICIPANT INSTRUCTION: PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

Very strongly opposed	1
Fairly strongly opposed	2
Neither opposed nor in favour	3
Fairly strongly in favour	4
Very strongly in favour	5
Don't know	6

DEMOGRAPHICS

And now some questions for classification purposes....

ASK ALL:

Q.A	Can I please ask what age you are?	
	SCRIPT INSTRUCTION: ALLOW NUMERIC VALUE 0-99. CLOSE IF UNDER 18	
	Age:	
	Refused	99

IF REFUSED (CODE 99) AT Q.A ASK:

Q.B Which of the following age groups do you belong to? INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: READ OUT. SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE

18-24	2
25-34	3
35-49	4
50-64	5
65+	
Prefer not to say (DNRO)	7

ASK ALL:

Q.C RECORD GENDER.

SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE.

Male	1
Female	2

Q.F

Q.D OCCUPATION CHIEF INCOME EARNER (C.I.E.)/ H.O.H.

If C.I.E. is <u>unemployed less than 6 months</u> or has <u>private/contributory/widow/widower pension</u>, ASK FOR PREVIOUS OCCUPATION

Occupation of Chief Income Earner (WRITE IN BELOW)

		 PROBE: Is the <u>Chief Income Earner</u> employed, self-employed, unemployed or retired? (<i>If Retired with private pension or unemployed <u>less</u> <u>than</u> 6 months ask in relation to previous job) Does the Chief Income Earner have a management or supervisory role? How many staff members is the C.I.E. responsible for? Does Chief Income Earner have particular qualifications for this job?</i>
SOCI	AL CLASS	CODE
		A 1
		В 2
		C1
		C2
		D
		E
		F1 (ROI ONLY)
		F2 (ROI ONLY)
<u>IF</u>	Manager or Supervisor (in <u>non</u> -manu	al role) and you are unsure if S/Class Is AB or C1:
		12+ employees – Code A/ B
		<12 employees – Code C1
<u>IF</u>	Farmer 50+ acres	Code as F1
	Farmer <50 acres	Code as F2
	Student	Code as C1
	Home maker (state pension only)	Code as E

ASK ROI ONLY:

Q.G What is the highest level of education/training (full-time or part-time) which you have completed to date? INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: SHOWCARD.

SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE

No formal education/training1
Primary education (NFQ Levels 1 or 2, FETAC Level 1 or 2
Cert. or equivalent) 2
Lower Secondary (NFQ Level 3, Junior/Inter/Group Cert., FETAC Level 3
Cert., FÁS Introductory Skills, NCVA Foundation Cert. or equivalent) 3
Upper Secondary (NFQ Levels 4 or 5, Leaving Cert. including Applied
and Vocational programmes or equivalent)
Technical or Vocational (NFQ Levels 4 or 5, FETAC Level 4/5 Cert.,
NCVA Level 1/2, FÁS Specific Skills, Teagasc Cert. in Agriculture,
CERT Craft Cert. or equivalent)5
Advanced Certificate/Completed Apprenticeship (NFQ Level 6,
FETAC Advanced Cert., NCVA Level 3, FÁS National Craft Cert.,
Teagasc Farming Cert., CERT Professional Cookery Cert.
or equivalent)
Higher Certificate (NFQ Level 6 NCEA/HETAC National Cert.
or equivalent)
Ordinary Bachelor Degree or National Diploma (NFQ Level 7)
Honours Bachelor Degree/ Professional qualification or
both (NFQ Level 8)
Postgraduate Diploma or Degree (NFQ Level 9, Postgraduate
Diploma, Master's Degree or equivalent) 10
Doctorate (Ph.D.) or higher (NFQ Level 10)
Prefer not to say
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ASK NI ONLY:

Q.H Which of these qualifications do you have? Please tell me all that apply.
 IF REQUIRED: If your UK qualification is not listed, please tell me the nearest equivalent. If you have qualifications you gained outside the UK, please tell me the nearest UK equivalents (if known).
 INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: SHOWCARD. PLEASE SELECT ALL QUALIFICATIONS THAT APPLY. SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: MULTICODE.

1-4 O Levels/CSEs/GCSEs (any grades), Entry Level, Foundation Diploma	1
NVQ Level1, Foundation GNVQ, Basic/Essential Skills	
5+ O Levels (passes)/CSEs (grade 1)/GCSEs (grades A*-C), School Certificate, 1 A Level/ 2-3 AS Levels/VCEs, Higher Diploma)	3
NVQ Level 2, Intermediate GNVQ, City and Guilds Craft,	5
BTEC First/General Diploma, RSA Diploma	
Apprenticeship 2+ A Levels/VCEs, 4+ AS Levels, Higher School Certificate,	5
Progression/Advanced Diploma	6
NVQ Level 3, Advanced GNVQ, City and Guilds Advanced Craft,	-
ONC, OND, BTEC National, RSA Advanced Diploma Degree (for example, BA, BSc), Higher degree (for example,	/
MA, PhD, PGCE)	8
NVQ Level 4-5, HNC, HND, RSA Higher Diploma, BTEC Higher	0
Level, Foundation degree Professional qualifications (for example, teaching, nursing,	9
accountancy)	10
Other vocational/work-related qualifications	
Qualifications gained outside the UK No qualifications	
Prefer not to say	

Q.I What religion, religious denomination or body do you belong to? INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: PROBE TO PRECODES. FOR NI: IF RESPONDENT NOTES THIS WAS ASKED BEFORE, PLEASE ADVISE THAT THIS QUESTION SEEKS A MORE DETAILED BREAKDOWN. SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE

Roman Catholic	1
Presbyterian Church in Ireland	2
Church of Ireland	3
Methodist Church in Ireland	4
Other (specify)	5
None	6

ASK ALL WHO SAID NONE (CODE 6 AT Q.I)

Q.J	And what, religious denomination or body were you brought up in?
	INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: PROBE TO PRECODES.
	SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE

Roman Catholic	1
Presbyterian Church in Ireland	2
Church of Ireland	3
Methodist Church in Ireland	4
Other (specify)	5
None	6

ASK ALL NI SURVEY:

Q.K Which of the following best describes your community background? INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: READ OUT. SCRIPTING INSTRUCTION: SINGLE CODE.

Catholic	1
Protestant	2
Other (specify))	3
None (DNRO)	5
Refused (DNRO)	6
Don't know (DNRO)	7

PLEASE: Include a variable in the dataset which records which constituency the respondent is in