

Attitudes Towards Europe (ATE, 1962)

The entity that has organized the survey and is responsible for data collection - as well as key data on the entity's membership, governance arrangements, source of funding etc.

The Attitudes Towards Europe (ATE) survey was organized by the Press and Information Service of the European Communities. The data was collected by l'Institut Français d'Opinion Publique (l'Ifop), Paris; [TNS Nipo](#), Amsterdam; and [TNS Emnid](#), Bielefeld. It was coordinated by Gallup International, Brussels.

A historical sketch of the initiation and origin of the survey

The Attitudes Towards Europe survey was the first international survey on attitudes towards European unification and may be seen as an early forerunner to Eurobarometer.

Internet links to the website of the responsible organization

The Press and Information Service of the European Communities no longer exists. There is no website for the Attitudes Towards Europe survey, but GESIS hosts some information about the survey at its [subsite for the Attitudes Towards Europe survey](#).

The frequency or repetitions of the survey. Possible explanation of this.

The survey was conducted only once, in 1962.

A description of the survey's content, i.e. both focused rotational and / or core modules of the survey

The surveys measured the attitude of the population to unification of Europe and the already existing European organizations. Topics: Expectations of a united Europe; advantages and disadvantages of European integration; plans that could be realized through the EEC; level of information regarding EEC agreements already made or scheduled; current problems of the EEC; judgment on the benefit of the EEC for one's own country; most important problems of the country; political interest; sources used for information about the EEC; knowledge of a foreign language; visit of other parts of the world and other European countries; party preference.

Demography: city size; school education; state; vocational training; number of children; sex; age

(classified); employment; occupation; self-assessment of social class; size of household; marital status; religious denomination; refugee status; household income.

An outline of the type of sample and the main data collection methods used

Random sampling was applied in Germany, Belgium, the Netherlands, and Luxembourg; quota sampling in France and Italy. The target population was the national adult population of the participating countries (aged 20 years and older).

Sample sizes:

France: 1518

Belgium: 770

Netherlands: 779

West Germany: 1523

Luxembourg: 184

The data were collected through face-to-face interviews.

An account of availability of the data to researchers, restrictions on access, etc.

Download of data is free for registered GESIS users. ZACAT online analysis is freely available to all. GESIS supplies data and documentation for all countries except for Italy.

Questionnaires, English version

[Questionnaire for France](#)

[Questionnaire for Belgium](#)

[Questionnaire for Luxembourg](#)

[Questionnaire for Netherlands](#)

[Questionnaire for Germany](#)

The countries included in the different rounds

France, Belgium, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Germany.

Cumulative file

Not relevant; this is a single study.

Publications based on data

Only one is listed:

GALLUP INTERNATIONAL: *Das Europa der Sechs im Blickfeld der öffentlichen Meinung: Eine internationale Umfrage in Deutschland, Belgien, Frankreich, Italien, Luxemburg und in den Niederlanden*, 1962 (also published in French, Italian and Dutch).

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Sources

Unless otherwise noted, all information is extracted from the GESIS subsite for the Attitudes Towards Europe survey.