

Supplemental material

Appendix 1. Attitude items forming the economic and socio-cultural indexes

(EES 2009)

Economic dimension

Q57 Private enterprise is the best way to solve [country's] economic problems.

Q59 Major public services and industries ought to be in state ownership.

Q61 Politics should abstain from intervening in the economy.

Q63 Income and wealth should be redistributed towards ordinary people.

Socio-cultural dimension

Q56 Immigrants should be required to adapt to the customs of [country].

Q62 People who break the law should be given much harsher sentences than they are these days.

Q64 Schools must teach children to obey authority.

Q67 Immigration to Britain should be decreased significantly.

Appendix 2. Chapel Hill (Hooghe et al. 2010) items used to construct indexes

Economic dimension:

Q13: position on improving public services vs. reducing taxes (0: strongly favours improving public services, 10: strongly favours reducing taxes)

Q15: position on deregulation (0: strongly opposes deregulation of markets, 10: strongly favours deregulation of markets)

Q17: position on redistribution (0: strongly favours redistribution, 10: strongly opposes redistribution).

Socio-cultural dimension:

Q19: position on civil liberties versus law and order (0: strongly promotes civil liberties, 10:

strongly supports tough measures to fight crime)

Q25: position on immigration policy (0: strongly opposes tough policy, 10: strongly supports tough policy).

Q27: position on integration of immigrants and asylum seekers (multiculturalism versus assimilation (0: strongly favours multiculturalism, 10: strongly opposes multiculturalism)

Appendix 3. EES ‘most important problem’ codes assigned to the two dimensions

Economic dimension:

Code Issue

2	Environment
4	Economic Conditions
51	Economic structure/policies/goals/conditions
52	Free enterprise capitalism
53	Private property rights
54	Government intervention/control over the economy (prices, wages rents)
56	Publicly-Owned Industry
57	Economic Planning (of long-term economic planning, create of such a plan by authorities.)
59	Government Ownership, nationalisation in general (land. Banks, etc)
60	Privatisation (of government owned business or industry)
61	Corporatism (involvement of collaborations of employees and trade unions in the economic planning)
62	National policy on monopolies, Trusts, consumer and small businesses protection
63	Incentives (references to tax and wage policies, financial incentives to start enterprises or stimulate investment)
64	Productivity (references to economic growth, the need to increase/facilitate production)
65	Technology and Infrastructure (modernization, development of industry, methods of transport, communication, research)
68	National media and ICT policy
69	Protectionism (as opposed to international cooperation, methods to protect national markets, economic growth)
70	Anti-Growth Economy (references to alternative economic planning e.g. Green Politics)
71	Creating Jobs (specifically)
74	Inflation
75	Unemployment
76	National employment policies
77	Stock market and its developments (shares, bonds, AEX, DAX, Dow Jones etc.)
78	Business (companies, banks, industry, mergers, manufacturing)
79	Bankruptcy of business, companies, banks (specifically)
80	Debt (public debt of a state, a community etc.)

- 81 Taxes
- 82 Trade (international trade), trade deficits
- 83 Wages and Earnings
- 84 Effect of Euro on the Economy
- 85 Effects of financial crisis on domestic/ EU/ global economy
- 107 Labour Groups (references to trade unions, unemployed, employees)

Socio-cultural dimension:

Code Issue

- 5 Immigration
- 23 Freedom and Human Rights
- 24 Civil rights, Civil liberties, Rights in general
- 25 Equality before Law
- 30 Rule of Law
- 99 Multisocio-culturalism (socio-cultural diversity, socio-cultural plurality)
- 100 Law and Order
- 101 Fight against terrorism
- 102 National Crime prevention policy(ies)
- 103 Courts, trials, court decisions
- 104 National Way of Life (patriotism/nationalism, support for /opposition to established national ideas and/or values)
- 105 National Immigration policy
- 110 Underprivileged Minority Groups
- 112 Homosexuals
- 113 Gay marriage
- 114 Ethnic minorities
- 115 Non-economic Demographic Groups