

GREEK ECONOMIC CRISIS

-QUESTIONNAIRE-



Third Wave (Panel Study)

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First Part: Attitudes towards the Economic Crisis

Q1. Compared to a year ago, your financial situation is...

1. Much worse
2. A bit worse
3. About the same
4. A bit better
5. Much better
6. DK/NR

Q2. To what extent are you concerned about the following?

	Not at all concerned	Slightly concerned	Somewhat concerned	Moderately concerned	Extremely concerned	DK/NR
a. Greece defaulting on its debt	1	2	3	4	5	6
b. Losing your job (or unable to find employment)	1	2	3	4	5	6
c. Being unable to pay your bills	1	2	3	4	5	6
d. Widespread social unrest	1	2	3	4	5	6

Q3. Who is to blame for the crisis? How responsible for the crisis would you say each of the following is?

	Not at all responsible	Slightly responsible	Somewhat responsible	Moderately responsible	Extremely responsible	DK/NR
a. The Papandreou PASOK government	1	2	3	4	5	6
b. The Karamanlis ND government	1	2	3	4	5	6
c. The European Union	1	2	3	4	5	6
d. Germany	1	2	3	4	5	6
e. The Greek banks	1	2	3	4	5	6
f. Foreign investors speculators	1	2	3	4	5	6
g. The European currency (euro)	1	2	3	4	5	6
h. Globalisation	1	2	3	4	5	6
i. Corruption in Greece	1	2	3	4	5	6
j. Each and every one of us	1	2	3	4	5	6

Q4. How do you think the economy will be in 12 months?

1. Much worse
2. A bit worse
3. About the same
4. A bit better
5. Much better
6. DK/NR

Q5. How do you think your own financial situation will be in 12 months?

1. Much worse
2. A bit worse
3. About the same
4. A bit better
5. Much better
6. DK/NR

Second Part: Public Responses to the Austerity Package

Q6. To what extent do you support or oppose the government's austerity program?						
1. Strongly oppose						
2. Oppose						
3. Neither support or oppose						
4. Support						
5. Strongly support						
						6. DK/NR
Q7. I will read out some things people have said about the economic measures. To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of them?						
	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	DK/NR
a. The austerity measures are necessary for our national survival	1	2	3	4	5	6
b. The burden of the measures is not distributed fairly to all citizens	1	2	3	4	5	6
c. If another party was in power, the austerity package would be less severe	1	2	3	4	5	6
d. The government had no option but to introduce these measures	1	2	3	4	5	6
e. People should fight against the measures	1	2	3	4	5	6
f. The crisis can be seen as an opportunity for Greece to move forward	1	2	3	4	5	6
g. There is nothing anybody can do to solve Greece's economic crisis	1	2	3	4	5	6

Q8. How positive or negative would you say the contribution of the following has been in managing the crisis?						
	Very Negative	Mostly Negative	Neither positive nor negative	Mostly Positive	Very Positive	DK/NR
a. PASOK	1	2	3	4	5	6
b. New Democracy	1	2	3	4	5	6
c. SYRIZA	1	2	3	4	5	6
d. Venizelos	1	2	3	4	5	6
e. Samaras	1	2	3	4	5	6
f. Tsipras	1	2	3	4	5	6
g. Angela Merkel	1	2	3	4	5	6
h. The Troika (IMF/EU/ECB)	1	2	3	4	5	6

Q9. There is debate about the effectiveness of various ways of addressing the crisis. What do you think has been the impact of the austerity measures? - And what would the impact be of leaving the Euro?						
	Make things much worse	Make things a little worse	Make no difference	Make things a little better	Make things much better	DK/NR
a. The austerity measures	1	2	3	4	5	6
b. Leaving the Euro	1	2	3	4	5	6

Q10. Let me read out some more specific aspects about the single currency. To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of them?

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	DK/NR
a. Greece should leave the Eurozone and return to the drachma	1	2	3	4	5	6
b. if Greece rejects the bailout agreement, it can still stay in the Eurozone	1	2	3	4	5	6
c. A Greek exit from the Euro would mark the end of the Eurozone	1	2	3	4	5	6

Q11. There are different views about how serious a threat the current crisis poses to Greece's future. On a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means that the threat is vastly exaggerated and 10 means that Greece's national survival is seriously at risk, which number best represents your view?

threat is vastly exaggerated											National survival is at stake
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11 DK/NR

Third Part: Voting Behaviour

A few questions for the recent elections:

Q12. Did you vote in the Parliamentary Elections last Sunday?

1. Yes → [GO TO Q13]
2. No → [GO TO Q16]
3. NR → [GO TO Q18]

Q13. IF YES: Which party did you vote for on June 17?

[OPEN QUESTION, Don't read options]

1. ND
2. Syriza
3. Pasok
4. Independent Greeks
5. Golden Dawn
6. Democratic Left
7. KKE
8. LAOS
9. Ecologistsn/Greens
10. Dimiourgia Ksana / Drasi
11. Other
12. Blank/Spoilt → [GO TO Q16]

Q14. When did you decide to cast that vote?

1. On election day
2. A few days before the elections
3. At the start of the electoral campaign but after the May 2012 elections
4. In the last 6 months, prior to the double elections

Q15. How important was each of the following factors in determining who you voted for?

	Not at all	Slightly important	Somewhat important	Moderately important	Extremely important	DK/NR
a. I always vote that way	1	2	3	4	5	6
b. I strongly agree with the party's policies	1	2	3	4	5	6
c. The party has the best leader	1	2	3	4	5	6
d. I wanted to make sure this party was in the governing coalition	1	2	3	4	5	6
e. This party is best placed to prevent my least preferred party from winning	1	2	3	4	5	6
f. This party has the best policies for managing the economic crisis	1	2	3	4	5	6
g. This party has the best stance on immigration	1	2	3	4	5	6

Q16. IF NO: IF NO: When did you decide not to vote or spoil your ballot?

1. On election day
2. A few days before the elections
3. At the start of the electoral campaign but after the May 2012 elections
4. In the last 6 months, prior to the double elections

Q17. How important was each of the following reasons for not voting or spoiling your ballot?

	Not at all	Slightly important	Somewhat important	Moderately important	Extremely important	DK/NR
a. ... you were unable to vote (e.g. you were abroad, too far from constituency, ill etc)	1	2	3	4	5	6
b. ... there was no political party that reflected you views/ideas	1	2	3	4	5	6
c. ... you consciously wanted to protest against the austerity measures	1	2	3	4	5	6
d. ...because it doesn't seem that elections make much difference on what goes on	1	2	3	4	5	6

Q18. Imagine a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means to completely abandon austerity and risk leaving the Euro, and 10 means to accept whatever austerity measures are necessary to stay in the Eurozone. Which number best describes your position on this scale?

Abandon austerity and risk leaving euro											Accept all austerity to stay in the euro
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12 DK/NR

Q19. And where would you place the following parties in the same scale?

- a. ND
- b. Syriza
- c. Pasok
- d. Independent Greeks
- e. Golden Dawn
- f. Democratic Left
- g. KKE

Q20. The election on Sunday was the second of two elections in a period of just six weeks. The first of these elections was on May 6th. Do you vote that day?

- 1. YES
- 2. NO
- 3. DK/NR

Q21. IF YES: Which party did you vote for in the election of May 6?

[OPEN QUESTION]

- 1. ND
- 2. Syriza
- 3. Pasok
- 4. Independent Greeks
- 5. Golden Dawn
- 6. Democratic Left
- 7. KKE
- 8. LAOS
- 9. Ecologistsn/Greens
- 10. Dimiourgia Ksana
- 11. Drasi
- 12. Democratic Alliance (DY.SI)
- 13. Other
- 14. Blank/Spoilt

Fourth Part: Demographics

Finally, I would like to ask you a few questions about your background.

Q22. In which year were you born?

1. Born in: 19
2. Refused

Q23. Which age group?

1. 18-24
2. 25-34
3. 35-44
4. 45-54
5. 55-64
6. 65+
7. NR

Q24. What is your gender?

[MARK WITHOUT ASKING]

1. Male
2. Female

Q25. What is your current employment status?

Full time (more than 30 hours per week)	(1)	Part-time employment (less than 30 hours per week)	(2)
Self-employed	(3)	Homemaker	(4)
Student	(5)	Retired	(6)
Unable to work	(7)	Unemployed	(8)

Q26. Generally speaking, how willing are you to take risks? Please use the 0 to 10 scale, where 0 means 'very unwilling' and 10 means 'very willing'.

very unwilling

very willing

0 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 12 ΔΕ/ΔΑ

Q27. Some say European unification should be pushed further. Others say it already has gone too far. What is your opinion? In the same scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means unification 'has already gone too far' and 10 means it 'should be pushed further', what is your position?

Has gone too far

should be pushed further'

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 12 DK/NR

Q28. Finally, irrespective of how you voted in the recent elections, is there a particular political party you feel closer to than all the other parties?

No 1

Yes 2

ΔΞ/ΔΑ 6

Q28. IF YES: Which party do you feel closer to?

[Open question]

1. Νέα Δημοκρατία
2. Σύριζα
3. ΠΑΣΟΚ
4. Ανεξάρτητοι Έλληνες
5. Χρυσή Αυγή
6. Δημοκρατική Αριστερά
7. ΚΚΕ
8. ΛΑΟΣ
9. Οικολόγοι Πράσινοι
10. Δημιουργία Ξανά
11. Δράση
12. Δημοκρατική Συμμαχία
13. Άλλο κόμμα
14. Λευκό/Άκυρο
15. ΔΞ/ΔΑ

Q29. How close do you feel to this party? Do you feel you are

1. Very close
2. Quite close
3. Not very close
4. DK/NR

Q30. Which region/periphery of Greece do you live in?

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|------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. East Macedonia and Thrace | 8. Central Greece |
| 2. Central Macedonia | 9. Peloponnese |
| 3. West Macedonia | 10. Attica |
| 4. Thessaly | 11. North Aegean |
| 5. Epirus | 12. South Aegean |
| 6. Ionian Islands | 13. Crete |
| 7. West Greece | |

Q31. If there is a need to contact you in the future for any additional questions, would you be willing to leave a first name?

1. Yes, ask for
2. Yes, but don't want to give name
3. No thanks

Thank you very much for your time!

If you would like more information about this research or would like to find out its findings, I can give you the contact details of the primary investigator. See www.asuteritypolitics.net

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