

# Political opinion polls in Belgium in 1990

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This annual review (since 1974) of political opinion polls in Belgium is classified according to the major policy sectors : foreign policy, social policy, economic policy, financial policy, domestic policy, and cultural policy. These sectors are subdivided according to the classification scheme on p. 585-587. Polls that have little or nothing to do with politics as such are placed under the heading "Other polls".

In the inventory, the title of each poll is given along with a summary description of the content, the institute that conducted the poll, the time of the polling, the size and the nature of the sample, the number of questions, the sponsor, and the bibliographical data of its publication or publications. An "X" stands for confidential or unknown.

This inventory was compiled on the basis of information provided by the opinion-polling institutes (see list below), for which we express our sincere appreciation. A valuable supplement to this information is given by the Press Review of the Library of the Belgian Parliament, Office of Press Dossiers.

## A. FOREIGN POLICY.

### 2. European policy.

#### a) The public opinion in the European Community in the Spring of 1990.

The European Community today. The completion of the internal market. The European Community and the changes in Middle and Eastern Europe. The European Parliament and its future. Social problems in Europe.

SOBEMAP. 27 March - 10 April 1990. Stratified random sample (multi-stage) of 953 Belgians of 15 years of age and older. About thirty questions. Sponsor : Commission of the European Communities.

Publication : *Eurobarometer No. 33*, Brussels. Commission of the European Communities, June 1990, Volumes I and II.

**b) The public opinion in the European Community in the Fall of 1990.**

Political and monetary union of the Germanies. Political, economic, and monetary union in the European Community. Impact of the Gulf crisis on the Community. Impact of the Gulf crisis on the relations with the Arab world and the Muslims.

DIMARSO. 1-5 October 1990. Representative sample of 500 Belgians of 15 years of age and older (telephone survey). Number of questions : X. Sponsor : Commission of the European Communities.

Publication : *Eurobarometer No. 34*, Brussels. Commission of the European Communities, December 1990, Volumes I and II.

c) See also poll E.5.d.

**4. East-West Relations.**

**a) The German unification.**

Fear of German unification and its consequences.

ICSOP-IMSA. 13-16 March 1990. Telephone survey of 500 Walloons and French-language residents of Brussels of 18 years of age and older. Three questions. Sponsor : *Le Vif/L'Express*.

Publication : *Le Vif/L'Express*, 23 March 1990.

**b) The Liègeois and the unification of Germany.**

Attitude of the Liègeois toward the unification of Germany.

CLEO-ULG. March 1990. Stratified quota sample of 1,015 residents of the Province of Liège (except for the East Cantons) of 15 years of age and older. Forty questions. Sponsor : La Wallonie.

Publication : *La Wallonie*, 14, 15, 16 and 19 May 1990.

**c) The unification of Germany.**

The unification of Germany and its consequences.

DIMARSO. 26 July - 1 August 1990. Telephone survey of 626 Flemings of 18 years of age and older. Five questions. Sponsor : *Panorama-De Post*.

Publication : *Panorama-De Post*, 7 September 1990.

d) See also polls A.2.a. and A.2.b.

## **5. Defence policy.**

a) See polls A.6.a., A.8.a, and F.5.b.

## **6. International relations.**

### **a) Belgium and the Gulf crisis.**

Attitude toward the decision of the Government to send military personnel to the Gulf and toward the use of violence to drive Saddam Hussein out of Kuwait. The fate of the hostages.

MARKETING UNIT. 21 August and 24-25 September 1990. Two telephone surveys of some 500 Belgians of 15 years of age and older. Three questions. Sponsor: Le Soir.

Publication: *Le Soir*, 23 August and 26 September 1990.

### **b) The Gulf conflict.**

The need for intervention by the United States. Need for an Arabic settlement of the conflict. Joint solution of the Gulf conflict and the other problems in the Middle East.

DIMARSO. 11-17 October 1990. Telephone survey of a representative sample of the Belgian population of 18 years of age and older. Three questions. Sponsor: La Dernière Heure.

Publication: *La Dernière Heure*, 2 November 1990.

### **c) The Gulf crisis.**

Does the liberation of Kuwait justify war? Does the Belgian population attach more importance to the fate of the hostages than to international solidarity? Is the Government doing enough to obtain the release of the hostages?

SOBEMAP. Mid-November 1990. Representative sample of 500 Belgians. Three questions. Sponsor: Knack.

Publication: *Knack*, 21 November 1990.

- d) See also poll A.2.b.

## **8. Domestic policy of other countries.**

### **a) The crisis in Rwanda.**

Opinion on the sending of paracommandos to Rwanda. Repatriation of the Belgians. Should the paracommandos be recalled after the Belgians are evacuated? The democratic nature of the Rwandese regime.

SOBEMAP. 11 October 1990. Telephone survey of 511 Belgians of 18 years of age and older. Four questions. Sponsor: De Standaard/Het Nieuwsblad.

Publication: *De Standaard* and *Het Nieuwsblad*, 13-14 October 1990.

## **B. SOCIAL POLICY.**

### **1. Labour system.**

- a) See poll B.4.a.

### **2. Employment policy.**

- a) See poll C.8.d.

### **4. Social security.**

#### **a) Retirement.**

Choice of retirement age. Motivation of this choice. Opinion on a system of part-time pension/part-time working and on systems of supplementary individual pension plans (retirement savings, group or life insurance schemes).

RUCA. Time of the polling: X. Sample of a thousand 50- to 65-year-old male and 50- to 60-year-old female employees. Number of questions: X. Sponsor: Ministry of Research Policy.

Publication: *De Standaard*, 27-28 October 1990.

- b) See also poll E.12.a.

### **6. Public Health.**

#### **a) Child abuse.**

Range and perception of the campaign against child abuse. Potential reactions to confrontation with a case of child abuse. Awareness of centers with medical examiners.

DIMARSO. March 1990. Telephone survey of 500 Flemings. Six questions.  
Sponsor: BRT.

Publication: Broadcast of *Zeker Weten*, 27 March 1990, on TV 1.

**b) Smoking.**

Attitude toward the anti-smoking campaign of the State Secretary for Public Health: further restrictions on advertising of tobacco and a separate area for non-smokers in restaurants and cafés.

DIMARSO. May 1990. Telephone survey of 1,000 Belgians. Two questions.  
Sponsor: De Morgen.

Publication: *De Morgen*, 26 May 1990.

**c) AIDS.**

What do the Flemings know about AIDS?

DIMARSO. November 1990. Telephone survey of 1,000 Flemings of 15 years of age and older. Number of questions: X. Sponsor: The Flemish Community Minister of Public Health.

Publication: The Flemish daily press, 1 December 1990.

**7. Housing.**

**a) Public housing in Wallonia.**

What is the position of the renters of public housing regarding their purchasing of public housing and what is the position of the public housing associations regarding the sale of public housing?

SES-GSW (UCL). Starting on 11 April 1990. Stratified sample of 400 renters and owners of public housing and managers of public housing associations throughout Wallonia. Sixty-five questions. Sponsor: The Minister of Housing of the Walloon Region.

Not published.

**b) The emigration of Brussels residents.**

The factors that determine the emigration of Brussels residents from the agglomeration to the periphery. How can one curb this emigration?

ICSOP-IMSA. September 1990. Sample of 1,000 emigrants from the 19 Brussels communes. Twenty-nine questions. Sponsor: X.

Not published.

## **10. Environmental protection and urban planning.**

- a) See poll C.8.d.

## **11. Welfare.**

### **a) The socio-cultural participation of recipients of subsistence benefits.**

The participation in the socio-cultural life by recipients of subsistence benefits and their desires in this area. The past of these people. Level of schooling and previous trade. Their family and friendship relations. Health condition. Self-respect. Loneliness.

SES-GSW (UCL). June-September 1990. Sample of 300 recipients of subsistence benefits from Wallonia and Brussels (200 single women less than 40 years old with dependent children and 100 single men from 40 to 55 years old). About a hundred and twenty questions. Sponsor : The State Secretary for Social Emancipation.

Not published.

### **b) The Flemish welfare policy.**

How does the Fleming view welfare care ?

MARKETING DEVELOPMENT. Time of the polling : X. Sample of 800 Flemings. Number of questions : X. Sponsor : The Flemish Community Minister for Welfare and the Family.

Publication : The Flemish daily press, 29 September 1990.

## **C. ECONOMIC POLICY.**

### **4. Subsidization policy.**

- a) See poll C.8.b.

### **5. Policy regarding economic cycles.**

#### **a) Consumer economic confidence.**

Assessment of the general and personal economic situation and expectations for the future.

DIMARSO. First fourteen days of each month. National quota sample of approximately 2,000 people of 15 years of age and older. Fifteen questions. Sponsor : Commission of the European Communities.

Publication : *European Economy. Supplement B: Business and Consumer Survey Results*. Brussels, Commission of the European Communities, monthly.

**b) Flemish SMB barometer.<sup>1</sup>**

Research into the socio-economic climate among Flemish small and medium-sized businesses.

MARKETING DEVELOPMENT and BBM. Quarterly. Telephone survey of a representative sample of small and medium-sized Flemish businesses from the commercial, industrial, and service sectors and the trade sector. About ten questions. Sponsor : NCMV.

Publication : in the NCMV magazine *Zelfstandig Ondernemen*, 27 April 1990, 11 May 1990, 14 September 1990, and 14 December 1990.

**6. Energy policy.**

**a) Nuclear energy.**

Attitude of the Belgians toward the use of nuclear energy by the electricity companies for the production of electricity.

ITC. 28 September - 5 October 1990. Representative sample of 1,035 Belgians of 18 years of age and older (telephone survey). Six questions. Sponsor : Electrabel.

Publication : *Gazet van Antwerpen*, 26 October 1990, and *De Financieel Economische Tijd*, 27 October 1990.

**7. Infrastructure - transport - communications.**

**a) The railway strikes.**

Attitude toward the railway strikes. Assessment of alternative campaigns. Understanding of the demands of the railway personnel. Intention to choose another means of transportation.

DIMARSO. 17 September 1990. Telephone survey of 500 Flemings. Fourteen questions. Sponsor : BRT.

Publication : Broadcast of *Zeker Weten*, 18 September 1990, on TV 1.

**b) Increase of the railway ticket prices.**

Attitudes towards the increase of the prices for train travel.

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(1) See also the annual study (for the ninth time) of the economic and political prospects of business economists conducted by the Belgian Association of Business Economists (*Le Soir*, 30 October 1990, and *Het Laatste Nieuws*, 31 October 1990).

DIMARSO. 13 December 1990. Telephone survey of 499 Flemings. Four questions. Sponsor : Het Laatste Nieuws.

Publication : *Het Laatste Nieuws*, 14 December 1990.

## **8. Regional development.**

### **a) The Borinage as seen by the "Borains".**

Content : see title.

ICSOP-IMSA. February 1990. Quota sample of 1,000 residents of the Borinage. Approximately thirty questions. Sponsor : Albert Liénard, Minister of the Walloon Region.

Publication : *La Libre Belgique*, 28 May 1990.

### **b) The regional economic dynamic.**

Evaluation of the governmental support given to businesses.

CLEO-ULG. March-September 1990. Qualitative survey of a hundred Walloon firms (interview with decision makers, company leaders, and union delegates). Number of questions : X. Sponsor : The Walloon Region.

Publication : X.

### **c) Research, innovation, and creation of firms in Wallonia.**

This survey attempted to specify which factors deriving from universities and industrial institutes promote or hinder the creation and the success of businesses.

SES-GSW (UCL). Beginning on 15 May 1990. Random sample of 124 researchers and businessmen from Walloon Brabant and Hainault. Thirty-two questions. Sponsor : The Minister of Research of the Walloon Region.

Not published.

### **d) Center Parcs in Maasmechelen.**

Implantation of a recreation park in Maasmechelen : employment and other effects.

DIMARSO. 8-11 December 1990. Random sample of 998 residents of Maasmechelen of 18 years of age and older. Thirty-one questions. Sponsor : Center Parcs.

Publication : *De Morgen* and *Het Belang van Limburg*, 9 January 1991.



## 11. Agricultural policy.

### a) Swine fever.

Incidence of swine fever. Perception of the measures in the short and long term. Willingness to vaccinate against swine fever.

DIMARSO. 21-22 March 1990. Representative sample of 250 Flemish pig farmers, with 50 pig farmers in the quarantine zone (telephone survey). Seventeen questions. Sponsor: BRT.

Publication: Broadcast of *Panorama*, 22 March 1990, on TV 1.

## D. FINANCIAL POLICY.

### 1. Investments and savings.

#### a) Stock exchange barometer.

Expectations about the evolution of the stock exchange in the short (3 months) and medium (6 months) term.

DIMARSO. Monthly telephone survey of 18 Belgian stock-exchange specialists. Five questions. Sponsor: De Standaard.

Publication: *De Standaard*, monthly.

### 3. Fiscal policy.

#### a) See poll F.1.c.

## E. DOMESTIC POLICY.

### 0. Chronicles and generalities.

#### a) Vanden Boeynants.

Recognition of Paul Vanden Boeynants. His image and credibility. Electoral strength.

DIMARSO. 26 February 1990. Telephone survey of 500 people in Flanders and Brussels. Four questions. Sponsor: BRT.

Publication: Broadcast of *Zeker Weten*, 27 February 1990, on TV 1.

#### b) Seasonal barometer of public opinion.<sup>2</sup>

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(2) For the figures and accompanying graph, see M. VERMINCK, Statistisch overzicht van het politieke jaar 1990. In: *Res Publica*, 1991, no. 3-4, pp. 432-465.

Voting intentions. Popularity of politicians. Confidence in Martens VIII.

MARKETING UNIT. Quarterly. National quota sample of approximately 2,000 voters each time. Three questions. Sponsor: La Libre Belgique.

Publication: *La Libre Belgique*, 26 March, 25 June, 24 September, and 24 December 1990.

**c) Political popularity poll.**

Popularity of politicians.

DIMARSO. 26 July - 1 August 1990. Telephone survey of 626 Flemings of 18 years of age and older. Eight questions. Sponsor: Panorama-De Post.

Publication: *Panorama-De Post*, 21 and 28 September 1990.

**1. Organization of the state.**

**a) The Belgian state reform.**

Patriotism and national awareness of the Belgian population. Knowledge of the state reform.

MARKETING UNIT. May 1990. National sample of 2,000 people from all the Provinces. Three questions. Sponsor: The Front against confederalism and separatism.

Publication: The general daily press, 17 July 1990.

**b) The Belgian monarchy.**

Must Belgium remain a monarchy? Will Prince Philip ever become king? Is Prince Philip ready for the task of being the king?

DIMARSO. 1-7 June 1990. Telephone survey of 1,000 Belgians. Three questions. Sponsor: La Dernière Heure.

Publication: *La Dernière Heure*, 20 June 1990.

**c) Should there be more federalization?**

Federalization of education, agriculture, international relations, culture, public welfare. The most urgent Walloon problem. The advance of the extreme right in Wallonia.

ICSOP-IMSA. 31 October - 5 November 1990. Sample of 970 Walloons of 18 years of age and older. Three questions. Sponsor: Journal et Indépendance - Le Peuple.

Publication: *Journal et Indépendance - Le Peuple*, 29 November 1990.

**d) The third phase.**

The third phase of the state reform.

ICSOP-IMSA (IAO). 6-12 December 1990. Sample of 1,000 Flemings of 18 years of age and older. Eleven questions. Sponsor: Het Volk.

Publication: *Het Volk*, 21 December 1990.

**e) See also polls E.2.e. and E.7.a.**

**2. National institutions.**

**a) The monarchy in Belgium.**

By whom should Baudouin be succeeded, if he, sooner or later, resigns his throne?

DIMARSO. March 1990. Representative sample of 1,000 Belgians of 18 years of age and older. One question. Sponsor: De Morgen.

Publication: *De Morgen*, 5 April 1990.

**b) The King and abortion.**

The conscience of the King as regards the abortion legislation.

DIMARSO. 4 April 1990. Telephone survey of 500 Belgians of 18 years of age and older. Five questions. Sponsors: Het Laatste Nieuws and La Dernière Heure.

Publication: *Het Laatste Nieuws* and *La Dernière Heure*, 5 April 1990.

**c) The monarchy in Belgium.**

The opinion of the Belgians on the monarchy. The successor of King Baudouin.

DIMARSO. 1-7 June 1990. Representative sample of the Belgian population. Number of questions: X. Sponsor: La Dernière Heure.

Publication: *La Dernière Heure*, 20 June 1990.

**d) The monarchy and public opinion in Belgium.**

The attitude of the Belgians towards the monarchy and the King.

ICSOP-IMSA (IAO). 22-30 June 1990. Quota sample of 1,000 Flemings, 1,000 Walloons, and 1,000 Brussels residents of 18 years of age and older. Four items (nine questions). Sponsor: Section of Political Sociology of the Catholic University of Leuven.

Publication: B. MADDENS, De monarchie en de publieke opinie in België. In: *Res Publica*, 1991, no. 1, pp. 135-177.

**e) The power hierarchy in Belgium as perceived by the citizen.**

The citizen's perception of the influence of certain positions in Belgian politics.

ICSOP-IMSA (IAO). 22-30 June 1990. Quota sample of 1,000 Flemings, 1,000 Walloons, and 1,000 Brussels residents of 18 years of age and older. One question. Sponsor: Section of Political Sociology of the Catholic University of Leuven.

Publication: W. DEWACHTER and E. DAS, *Politiek in België: Geprofileerde machtsverhoudingen*. Leuven, Acco, 1991. 182 pp. (particularly Part III, E.).

**f) How royalist are the Flemings?**

Content: see title.

MARKETING UNIT. End of August 1990. Telephone survey of 500 Flemings. One question. Sponsor: Humo.

Publication: *Humo*, 6 September 1990.

**g) See also polls E.1.b. and E.7.a.**

**3. Regional and local institutions.**

**a) Wallobarometer.**

The social identity of the Walloon population.

CLEO-ULG. March and November 1990. Twice a stratified quota sample of 1,000 Walloons of 15 years of age and older. Number of questions: X. Sponsor: The Walloon Region.

Publication: see *Le Soir*, 3 January 1991.

**b) The image of Brussels in Flanders.**

Content: see title.

STUDIEBUREAU RIK DECAN. Summer 1990. Sample of 1,258 (non-Brussels) Flemings. Number of questions: X. Sponsor: The Flemish Community Minister for Brussels Affairs.

Publication: The general daily press, 14 November 1990.

**c) The political climate in the city of Antwerp.**

Voting intentions with respect to local political groupings. Motivation of voting behaviour. Popularity of local and national politicians. Assessment of current Antwerp administration coalition. Local policy matters.

DIMARSO. 7-10 November 1990. Telephone survey of 997 voters of the Antwerp agglomeration. Number of questions : X. Sponsor : De Morgen.

Publication : *De Morgen*, 17, 20, and 21 November 1990.

**d) The political climate in the Brussels Region.**

Satisfaction. Voting intentions. Popularity of politicians.

ICSOP-IMSA. 26 November - 3 December 1990. Representative sample of 1,000 Brussels residents of 18 years of age and older. Five questions. Sponsor : X.

Publication : The French-language daily press, 19 December 1990.

**5. Elections.**

**a) Voting intentions.<sup>3</sup>**

Content : see title.

DIMARSO. Monthly. National sample with random start of a thousand voters (telephone survey). Three questions. Sponsor : De Morgen.

Publication : *De Morgen*, monthly.

**b) Voting intentions.**

Voting intentions and popularity of politicians. Judgment of the national and regional work of the government and the opposition.

ICSOP-IMSA (IAO). 22-30 June 1990. Quota sample of 1,000 Flemings, 1,000 Brussels residents, and 1,000 Walloons of 18 years of age and older. Five questions. Sponsor : ICSOP-IAO.

Publication : The general daily and weekly press, second half of July 1990.

**c) The German-language Community Council.**

Voting intentions for the German-language Community Council elections on 28 October 1990.

MARKETING UNIT. May, July, and October 1990. Telephone surveys of approximately 500 voters each time. One question. Sponsor : Grenz Echo.

Publication : *Grenz Echo*, 12 May and 20 July 1990, and *De Standaard*, 17 October 1990.

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(3) For the figures and accompanying graphic presentation, see : M. VERMINCK, Statistisch overzicht van het politieke jaar 1990. In : *Res Publica*, no. 3-4, pp. 432-465.

**d) The elections for the European Parliament.**

Comparative study of the voting behaviour of the Flemish voter in the elections for the European Parliament, 1984 versus 1989.

DIMARSO. Mid-August-beginning of October 1989. Telephone survey of approximately 1,500 Flemings of 18 years of age and older. Number of questions : X. Sponsor : X.

Publication : M. SWYNGEDOUW, L. DE WINTER, and L. SCHULPEN, *De verkiezingen voor het Europees Parlement 1989*. Brussels, Dimarso, November 1990. 82 pp.

**e) Voting intentions of the Walloons.**

Voting intentions and popularity of politicians. Judgment of the national and regional work of the government and the opposition.

ICSOP-IMSA. 31 October - 5 November 1990. Quota sample of 970 Walloon voters. Eight questions. Sponsor : ICSOP-IAO.

Publication : The French-language daily press, 14 November 1990.

**f) Voting intentions of the Brussels residents.**

Voting intentions and popularity of politicians. Judgment of the national and regional work of the government and the opposition.

ICSOP-IMSA. 26 November - 3 December 1990. Sample of 1,000 Brussels voters. Nine questions. Sponsor : ICSOP-IAO.

Publication : *La Dernière Heure*, 19 December 1990 and 3 January 1991.

**g) Voting intentions of the Flemings.**

Voting intentions and popularity of politicians. Judgment of the national and regional work of the government and the opposition.

ICSOP-IMSA (IAO). 6-12 December 1990. Sample of 1,000 Flemish voters. Nine questions. Sponsor : ICSOP-IAO.

Publication : The Flemish daily press, 19 December 1990.

**h) See also polls E.0.b., E.3.c., and E.3.d.**

**7. Administration of justice.**

**a) The status of the magistrate and the working conditions of the judicial apparatus.**

The status of the magistrate. The working conditions. The relations of the magistrates with other persons and institutions (the legislative and the executive powers, the press).

CLEO-ULG and UFSIA. June 1990 - June 1991. Post-survey sent to all Belgian magistrates. Extensive questionnaire. Sponsor: Ministry of Justice.

Publication: X.

## **9. Maintenance of public order.**

### **a) Public safety.**

Polling about whether or not there are deficiencies of the police and gendarmerie in the assurance of public safety. May the citizen take the law into his own hands? The possession of firearms.

DIMARSO. 12 November 1990. Telephone survey of 501 Flemings of 18 years old and older. Four questions. Sponsor: BRT.

Publication: Broadcast of *Zeker Weten*, 13 November 1990, on TV 1.

## **11. Problems concerning aliens.**

### **a) The immigrants.**

Description of the "Belgian" by the Islamic immigrant. Attitude to the wearing of the veil by the Islamic woman.

ICSOP-IMSA. January 1990. Quota sample of 500 immigrated or naturalized Muslims. Seven questions. Sponsor: *Parce Que!*

Publication: *Parce Que!*, 11 January 1990.

### **b) The socio-economic situation of immigrant youth.**

Content: see title.

CLEO-ULG. March 1990. Representative quota sample of 1,000 immigrant youth from Wallonia and Brussels from 16 to 26 years of age. Seventy questions. Sponsor: the Department of Demography of the University of Liège.

Publication: X.

## **12. Moral conceptions.**

### **a) Bio-medical ethics.**

What do Belgians think about social security, the medical dossier, the ethical commission, euthanasia, artificial insemination, academic freedom of scientific research?

ICSOP-IMSA. 25 May - 6 June 1990. Representative sample of 1,200 French-language Belgians of 18 years of age and older. Twenty-five questions. Sponsor: The Minister of Social Affairs.

Publication : *Le Vif/L'Express*, 13 July 1990. See also the general daily press, second half of July 1990.

b) See also poll E.2.b.

#### **14. Traffic problems.**

##### **a) The driving license with points.**

Knowledge of and opinion about the draft law of Minister of Traffic J.-L. Dehaene.

MARKETING UNIT. June 1990. Survey of 703 motorists, representative of the Belgian population. Number of questions : X. Sponsors : The Belgian automobile clubs (VAB-VTB, Touring, KACB, RMU) and the trade federations of the automobile sector (Febiac, Fegarbel, Comaubel).

Publication : The general daily press, end of June 1990.

##### **b) Traffic-safety survey.**

Dangerous driving. Necessary measures. Courtesy in traffic. Attitude towards the Dehaene law on traffic safety.

ICSOP-IMSA (IAO). 17-27 August 1990. Representative sample of 1,500 Belgians of 18 years of age and older. Thirty-eight questions. Sponsor : The Minister of Traffic.

Publication : The general daily press, 6 November 1990.

##### **c) Traffic congestion.**

Polling of drivers caught in traffic jams on the causes and circumstances of traffic jams. Loss of time and other disadvantages. Evaluation of a number of possible solutions.

DIMARSO. 6-14 October 1990. Telephone survey of 3,499 Flemings of 18 years of age and older. Number of questions : X. Sponsor : Het Laatste Nieuws.

Publication : *Het Laatste Nieuws*, 12 and 13 November 1990.

##### **d) Closing time for places that serve alcoholic beverages.**

Polling on the occasion of two parliamentary proposals to limit significantly the number of victims of traffic accidents. Proposal to close places that serve alcoholic beverages at two o'clock in the morning. Proposal to forbid the service of alcoholic beverages after two o'clock in the morning.

DIMARSO. 2-3 November 1990. Telephone survey of 502 Flemings of 15 years of age and older. Two questions. Sponsor : Panorama-De Post.



Publication : *Panorama-De Post*, 9 November 1990.

## **F. CULTURAL POLICY.**

### **1. Education.**

#### **a) History classes in school.**

Attitude toward history classes in school. Interest for history outside of school. Knowledge of history.

K.U.LEUVEN. Spring of 1990. Survey of 700 students of the last year of secondary education throughout Flanders and the various systems. Seventy questions. Sponsor : "Post-Factum". Center for Research and Animation for History of the Catholic University of Leuven.

Publication : *De Morgen*, 30 May 1990.

#### **b) Strike in education.**

Attitude toward the strike in French-language education.

SONECOM. 17-19 June 1990. Sample of 300 Walloon and French-language residents of Brussels. Number of questions : X. Sponsor : La Cité.

Publication : *La Cité*, 28 June 1990 and 5 July 1990.

#### **c) A tax increase to support education.**

Attitude toward a tax increase to support education. Quality judgement of present education.

DIMARSO. 13 August 1990. Telephone survey of 1,000 Belgians of 18 years of age and older. Two questions. Sponsor : La Dernière Heure.

Publication : *La Dernière Heure*, 25 August 1990.

#### **d) The strike in French-language education.**

Opinion on the demands of the French-language teachers. Striking as a means of action in education. Solution of the problem. The attitude of the authorities.

SOBEMAP. October 1990. Representative sample of 350 French-language residents of Brussels and Walloons of 18 years of age and older. Five questions. Sponsor : La Libre Belgique.

Publication : *La Libre Belgique*, 26 October 1990.

## **2. Scientific research.**

### **a) The technological reform.**

Public opinion about the technological evolution.

ICSOP-IMSA. January 1990. Quota sample of 500 French-language Belgians. Seven questions. Sponsor : Le Vif/L'Express.

Publication : *Le Vif/L'Express*, 26 January 1990.

b) See also polls C.8.c. and E.12.a.

## **3. Adult education.**

### **a) Illiteracy dossier (1).**

Attitude of the average Belgian toward illiteracy. Knowledge of the problem. Description and assessment. Personal experience. The illiteracy project. Support by the authorities.

DIMARSO. Time of the polling : X. Representative survey of the Belgian population of 15 years of age and older. Number of questions : X. Sponsor : King Baudouin Foundation.

Publication : *Het Laatste Nieuws*, 17-18 February 1990.

### **b) Illiteracy dossier (2).**

The confrontation of the public official in the "first line" with illiteracy and the resulting administrative problems.

DIMARSO. Time of the polling : X. Sample of 176 staff members of the departments of civil status, revenue, post office, police, hospitals, intercommunal associations, and the unemployment agency of 30 communes (both from large agglomerations and from urbanized and rural communes). Number of questions : X. Sponsor : King Baudouin Foundation.

Publication : *Het Laatste Nieuws*, 24-25 March 1990.

## **5. Emancipation of women.**

### **a) The liberation of the woman as seen by Belgian decision makers.**

Content : see title.

SONECOM. September 1990. Mail survey of 360 Belgian decision makers from the public and private sector. About a hundred questions. Sponsor : The Emancipation Council of the State Secretariat for Social Emancipation.

Publication : Report of the Emancipation Council.

**b) The woman in the army.**

Opinion on and the situation of the woman in the Belgian army.

UIA and KMS. Time of the polling: X. Survey of 760 female and 650 male Belgian military personnel. Number of questions: X. Sponsors: Center for Women's studies of the University of Antwerp and the Chair for Social Sciences of the Royal Military School.

Publication: The general daily press, end of June - beginning of July 1990.

**6. Youth.**

**a) The need for information by the youth.**

The need for information by the youth in various areas such as use of leisure time, work, social assistance, juvenile law, military service, sexuality, and drugs.

CLEO-ULG. April 1990. Representative quota sample of 600 French-language young people from 12 to 26 years of age from Wallonia and Brussels. Seventy questions. Sponsor: National Center for Youth Information.

Publication: X.

**b) The social and cultural identity of the French-language youth.**

Content: See title.

CLEO-ULG. December 1990. Representative quota sample of 1,000 French-language young people from 12 to 26 years of age from Wallonia and Brussels. Number of questions: X. Sponsor: Ministry of Education.

Publication: X.

**10. Tourism.**

**a) See poll C.8.d.**

**G. OTHER POLLS.**

**a) End-of-year poll.**

International, social, economic, and financial expectations of the future.

DIMARSO. 24 November - 1 December 1990. Representative sample of 996 Belgians of 15 years of age and older (research conducted simultaneously in 37 other countries). Six questions. Sponsor: Gallup International.

Publication: The general daily press, beginning of 1991.

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