

III. Date of Election:

First Round                    November 3, 1996  
Second Round                 November 17, 1996 (Only for Presidential)

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VI. Study Design:

Post-Election Study

VII. Dates of Interviewing:

Date Post-Election Interviewing Began:                    November 26, 1996  
Date Post-Election Interviewing Ended:                    December 3, 1996

VIII. Mode of interview:

In person, face-to-face

IX. Sample Design and Sampling Procedures

1. Eligibility Requirements

age: 18 and older  
citizenship: Yes  
other: none

2. Persons Excluded From the Sample Frame:

a. Were any regions of the country excluded from the sample frame?

No

b. Were institutionalized persons excluded from the sample?

Yes

c. Were military personnel excluded from the sample?

Yes, only those who are living in military barracks

f. Other persons excluded from the sample frame:

persons in hospitals, students in hostels, persons in prisons

g. Estimated total percentage of the eligible population excluded from the sample frame:

1.5 - 3%

### 3.1. Sampling Method

a. Describe how the primary sampling units were selected:

The localities were randomly selected from each strata of the population (defined by the region and the size of the locality).

b. Was there a second stage selection?

Yes

c. Describe how the secondary sampling units were selected:

We used electoral lists that are available for each locality and contain the entire adult population. The lists had been updated for the November 1996 elections. Each list has about 2500 inhabitants therefore a locality has a number of lists given by the ratio between the number of adult population and 2500. We randomly selected 2 lists from each locality that has more than two lists.

d. Was a selection table used to select the respondent within the household?

No.

We randomly selected the respondents from the electoral lists therefore we did not need a procedure to select persons within the households.

e. Under what circumstances was a sample line designated non-sample?

Since the persons are selected from a list a sample line is designated non-sample when the respondent can not be approached after three attempts.

f. Were non-sample replacement methods used?

Yes

We used replacement lists having the units randomly selected.

### 4. Compliance

a. Pre-study Strategies: Prior to the study was

a letter sent to the respondent? No

payment sent to the respondent? No

a token gift sent to the respondent? No

any other incentives used? Yes

The interviewer provided each respondent with a persuasion letter signed by the dean of the faculty.

b. During the Field Period

Maximum / minimum number of contacts with the household before declaring it non-sample:

4 / 3.

Maximum / minimum number of contacts with the household before declaring it non-interview:

4 / 3.

Maximum / minimum number of days over which a household was contacted:

Any number within the field period / 2.

Did interviewers vary the time of day at which they recontacted the household?

Yes.

c. Refusal Conversion

Was an effort made to persuade respondents who were reluctant to be interviewed?

No

X. Response Rate:

a. Total number of sample lines issued:	1175
b. Total number of completed interviews:	1179
c. Number of refusals:	122
d. Number never contacted (no-contact):	125
e. Other non-response:	74
f. Number of lines of non-sample:	0
g. Response Rate:	

XII. Sample weight

Are the data weighted?

No

XIII. Description of interviewers:

Age: 22 - 30 years

Level of education: secondary education completed for all, university degree for 20 %.

Experience: at least one year

Description of interviewer training:

each interviewer had participated before at at least 3 surveys and received specific instructions from one of four area coordinators (30-60 minutes).

XIV. Comparison of Sample to Population

Characteristic	Population Estimates	Sample estimates (unweighted)
Age		
18-25	17.88%	12.4%
26-40	28.24%	27.7%
41-65	39.13%	44.6%
66-	14.73%	15.3%

Source: Romanian Statistical Yearbook 1996, National Commission for Statistics

Education (for 18 and older)

None and incomplete primary	4.85%	18.3%
Primary completed	21.49%	15.3%
Incomplete secondary	44.38%	24.7%
Secondary completed	20.70%	25.7%
Post-secondary trade/ Vocational school	2.38%	6.9%
University degree	6.18%	8.7%

Source: Romanian Census 1992, National Commission for Statistics

Gender (for 18 and older)

Male	48.24%	49.1%
Female	51.75%	50.8%

Source: Romanian Statistical Yearbook 1996, National Commission for Statistics

XV. Languages used in the interviews.

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