

Information on the Data File

EXIT POLL 1996

A survey conducted during the voting period for the elections to
Chamber of Deputies in the Czech Republic in 1996

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A. TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Country: Czech Republic.

Fieldwork Date: 1996; Friday, 31 May - Saturday, 1 June.

Investigators:

IFES (Austria) and SC&C (Prague) for Czech Television.

Context of the Survey:

The survey was conducted during the voting period for the Czech parliamentary elections to the Chamber of Deputies in 1996 with the aim to prepare election prognosis, which were aired on Czech Television after the end of the elections.

General Population: Voters who participated in the elections.

(Every citizen of the Czech Republic who has reached the age of 18 and was in the Czech Republic on the polling day is entitled to vote.)

Sampling Method:

- 1) Probability stratified sampling of the polling districts. Some regions are over or under-represented on the basis of knowledges of political structure in the Czech Republic, experience with other elections and clients requirements.
- 2) Systematic selection of respondents - random start and given sampling interval.

N = 14 147

Response rate information is not provided because of the sampling method used.

Fieldwork Method:

Anonymous questionnaire administrated by respondent. Respondents were contacted outside voting stations of selected polling districts. Administrated questionnaires were collected into a copy of the ballot box.

Weighting:

The data should be weighted. Weighting variables **wghtk** and **wghts** were constructed on the bases of the official results of the elections - **wghtk** on the base of gains of political subjects in districts; **wghts** on the base of results in the whole Czech Republic.

Elections to the Parliament of the Czech Republic in 1996:

The elections in 1996 were the first regular parliamentary elections in the newly established Czech Republic. After the split of the Czechoslovak Federation into the Czech Republic and the Slovak Republic in 1993 the Czech National Council became the lower house of the Parliament of the Czech Republic - the Chamber of Deputies. The main legislative body of the former Czech and Slovak Federative Republic (CSFR) was a bi-cameral Federal Assembly. The Czech National Council was a second rank national parliament of one of two members in the federation. Last elections in the CSFR was held in July 1992 into federal and both of national parliaments (see Exit poll 1992 data).

There were two elections in the Czech Republic in 1996. The new electoral system to the Parliament of the Czech Republic was adopted in 1995. On the base of its amendments was held elections to the Chamber of Deputies (the lower house of the Parliament) as well as new elections to the Senate (the upper house).

The members of the Senate (81) are elected by direct franchise according to the principles of the majority system. The term is six years. One third of the Senators shall be elected every two years. The first elections (two rounds) were held in October and November in 1996.

Exit poll 1996 data are concerned only to the elections for the Chamber of Deputies.

The elections for the Chamber of Deputies were held from Friday, 31 May to Saturday, 1 June. The electoral system is based on the principle of proportional representation. The chamber has 200 Deputies who shall be elected for a term of four years. Political subjects taking part in the elections are to submit their lists of candidates for multi-mandate electoral regions. Voters voted first for a party or coalition, than they could prefer individual deputies from the list using so-called priority vote (4 priority votes are the maximum). After the election only the parties with a minimum of 5 per cent of votes are admitted into the first scrutiny. To be admitted coalition of two parties has to win no less than 7 per cent of votes, coalition of three parties 9 and coalition of four and more parties 11 per cent of votes. Political subjects with 2 and more per cent were entitled to receive a state financial support for their activities.

Results of the Elections in %:

Political Subject	Results
ODS Civic Democratic Party	29.62
CSSD Czech Social Democratic Party	26.44
KSCM Communist Party of Bohemia and Moravia	10.33
KDU-CSL Christian Democratic Union – Czechoslovak People’s Party	8.08
SPR-RSC The Union for Republic - Czechoslovak Party of Republicans	8.01
ODA Civic Democratic Alliance	6.36
DZJ Pensioners for Life Securities	3.09
DEU Democratic Union	2.80
SD-LSNS Free Democrats - Liberal, National, and Social Party	2.05
Others	3.22

Source: Czech Statistical Office.

B. INFORMATION ON VARIABLES

LNR **Number of constituency (Exit poll)**

WK **Number of electoral region**

SNR **Number of constituency (official)**

ZBLOCK **Block of time**

The Exit poll data were collected in 8 time blocks during the voting period. In the end of each block the computer center was contacted by interviewers and new data were recorded.

V1 **Party voted in 1996**

Missing Values: -9

Question:

A) WHICH PARTY DID YOU JUST VOTE FOR THE CZECH PARLIAMENT?

NAME OF THE PARTY	number	
Free Democrats—Liberal, National, and Social Party	A01	
Czech Social Democratic Party	A02	
Civic Democratic Party	A03	
Independent	A04	
Moravian National Party—The Movement for Silesian and Moravian Unity	A06	
Democratic Union	A07	
Civic Democratic Alliance	A08	
Christian Democratic Union – Czechoslovak People’s Party	A10	
Movement of Pensioners for Life Securities	A11	
The Party of the Democratic Left	A12	
The Czech and Moravian Centrist Union	A13	
The Czech Right	A14	
The Communist Party of Bohemia and Moravia	A15	
The Union for Republic—Czechoslovak Party of Republicans	A17	
Left Block	A18	
The Movement for self-governing Moravia and Silesia—Moravian National Unity	A19	

- V2** Party voted in 1992 elections to the Chamber of People of the Federal assembly
Missing Values: -9
- V3** Party voted in 1992 elections to the Czech National Council
Missing Values: -9

Questions for variables V1 and V3:

PLEASE TRY TO REMEMBER:

B) WHICH PARTY YOU VOTED FOR IN THE FEDERAL PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (THE CHAMBER OF PEOPLE OF THE FEDERAL PARLIAMENT) IN JUNE 1992?

C) WHICH PARTY DID YOU VOTE FOR IN THE ELECTIONS OF THE CZECH NATIONAL ASSEMBLY IN JUNE 1992?

	federal	Czech	
Civic movement	B01	C01	
Czechoslovak Social Democratic Party	B02	C02	
Coalition of Civic Democratic Party and - Christian Democratic Party	B03	C03	
Civic Democratic Alliance	B08	C08	
Christian Democratic Union—Czech People’s Party	B10	C10	
Movement of pensioners for life securities	B11	C11	
Left block – coalition of The Communist Party of Bohemia and Moravia and The Party of the Democratic Left	B15	C15	
The Union for Republic – Czechoslovak Party of Republicans	B17	C17	
The Movement for self-governing democracy — the Union for Moravia and Silesia	B19	C19	
Liberal- social Union	B20	C20	
Party of Czechoslovak Entrepreneurs, Shopkeepers and Farmers	B21	C21	
Club of Involved-Non-partymembers	B22	C22	
other parties	B30	C30	
didn’t vote	B31	C31	
didn’t have the right to vote, couldn’t vote	B32	C32	

- V4** Sex
Missing Values: -9

Question:

D) SEX:

- male D1
- female D2

V5 **Age**
Missing Values: -9

Question:

E) AGE:

18 – 21 years old	E1	<input type="checkbox"/>
22 – 29 years old	E2	<input type="checkbox"/>
30 – 44 years old	E3	<input type="checkbox"/>
45 – 59 years old	E4	<input type="checkbox"/>
60 and up	E5	<input type="checkbox"/>

V6 **Education**
Missing Values: -9

Question:

F) WHAT IS THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF EDUCATION YOU HAVE COMPLETED?

basic	F1	<input type="checkbox"/>
vocational	F2	<input type="checkbox"/>
secondary	F3	<input type="checkbox"/>
university	F4	<input type="checkbox"/>

V7 **Type of employment**
Missing Values: -9

Question:

G) EMPLOYMENT

If you are not the main source of income in your household, please state the his/her employment.

worker	G01	<input type="checkbox"/>
state employee	G02	<input type="checkbox"/>
other employee	G03	<input type="checkbox"/>
agricultural worker (collective/private)	G04	<input type="checkbox"/>
businessman/woman	G05	<input type="checkbox"/>
retired	G06	<input type="checkbox"/>
housewife	G07	<input type="checkbox"/>
student, pupil	G08	<input type="checkbox"/>
unemployed	G09	<input type="checkbox"/>
other	G10	<input type="checkbox"/>

V8 Religious denomination
Missing Values: -9

Question:

H) RELIGION:

atheist	H1	
Roman Catholic	H2	
Protestant	H3	
Orthodox	H4	
Other	H5	

DINR Region

Value Label

31 Prague
32 Central Bohemia
33 Southern Bohemia
34 Western Bohemia
35 Northern Bohemia
36 Eastern Bohemia
37 Southern Moravia
38 Northern Moravia

NAM Name of community

GKZ Number of community by Czech Statistic Office

WGHTK Weight - gains of parties in regions

WGHTS Weight - gains of parties in the Czech Republic

G1 weight - IFES 1

G2 weight - IFES 2

Frequencies:
Computed from unweighted data !

WK Electoral region

Value Label	Value	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cum Percent
	1	949	6.7	6.7	6.7
	2	1742	12.3	12.3	19.0
	3	1626	11.5	11.5	30.5
	4	1157	8.2	8.2	38.7
	5	1332	9.4	9.4	48.1
	6	1553	11.0	11.0	59.1
	7	912	6.4	6.4	65.5
	8	1168	8.3	8.3	73.8
	9	1006	7.1	7.1	80.9
	10	1100	7.8	7.8	88.7
	11	777	5.5	5.5	94.2
	12	225	1.6	1.6	95.8
	13	418	3.0	3.0	98.7
	14	182	1.3	1.3	100.0
	Total	14147	100.0	100.0	

Valid cases 14147 Missing cases 0

SNR Constituency

Value	Freq	Pct	Cum Pct	Value	Freq	Pct	Cum Pct	Value	Freq	Pct	Cum Pct
1	4773	34	34	23	23	0	70	61	64	0	87
2	472	3	37	25	221	2	71	69	176	1	88
3	354	3	40	26	91	1	72	75	42	0	88
4	479	3	43	27	48	0	72	79	101	1	89
5	461	3	46	28	114	1	73	83	85	1	90
6	512	4	50	29	17	0	73	85	19	0	90
7	224	2	51	30	66	0	74	94	84	1	90
8	90	1	52	33	257	2	76	97	208	1	92
9	228	2	54	34	130	1	77	105	91	1	93
10	119	1	55	37	19	0	77	110	63	0	93
11	192	1	56	38	102	1	77	132	79	1	94
12	29	0	56	39	128	1	78	138	140	1	95
13	578	4	60	40	148	1	79	283	91	1	95
14	169	1	61	42	126	1	80	355	89	1	96
15	18	0	61	43	151	1	81	524	82	1	96
16	103	1	62	47	101	1	82	594	67	0	97
17	287	2	64	48	213	2	84	603	71	1	97
18	110	1	65	53	149	1	85	606	52	0	98
19	249	2	67	54	190	1	86	641	117	1	99
20	301	2	69	57	12	0	86	802	60	0	99
22	113	1	70	59	57	0	86	836	142	1	100

Valid cases 14147 Missing cases 0

ZBLOCK Block of time

Value Label	Value	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cum Percent
	1	3256	23.0	23.0	23.0
	2	2577	18.2	18.2	41.2
	3	2231	15.8	15.8	57.0
	4	2028	14.3	14.3	71.3
	5	1064	7.5	7.5	78.9
	6	1788	12.6	12.6	91.5
	7	1029	7.3	7.3	98.8
	8	174	1.2	1.2	100.0
	Total	14147	100.0	100.0	

Valid cases 14147 Missing cases 0

V1 Party voted in 1996

Value Label	Value	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cum Percent
SD-LSNS Free demcrts	1	421	3.0	3.0	3.0
CSSD Czech Social De	2	3273	23.1	23.3	26.2
ODS Civic Democrtc P	3	5101	36.1	36.2	62.5
non party individual	5	103	.7	.7	63.2
MNS-HSMS Morav.Nat.P	6	77	.5	.5	63.8
DEU Democrtc Union	7	479	3.4	3.4	67.2
ODA Civic Democrtc A	8	1113	7.9	7.9	75.1
KDU-CSL Christ.Democ	10	964	6.8	6.8	81.9
DZJ Pensioners for L	11	293	2.1	2.1	84.0
SDL Democratic Left	12	28	.2	.2	84.2
CMUS Bohemian-Moravi	13	59	.4	.4	84.6
CP Czech Right	14	7	.0	.0	84.7
KSCM Communist Prty	15	966	6.8	6.9	91.5
SPR-RSC Assoc.for Re	17	971	6.9	6.9	98.4
LB Left Block	18	178	1.3	1.3	99.7
HSMS-MNS Mov.forSelf	19	41	.3	.3	100.0
	-9	73	.5	Missing	
	Total	14147	100.0	100.0	

Valid cases 14074 Missing cases 73

V2 Party voted 92-House of People(Federal P

Value Label	Value	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cum Percent
OH Civic Movement	1	1401	9.9	13.5	13.5
CSSD Czech Social De	2	872	6.2	8.4	22.0
ODS Civic Democrtc P	3	3753	26.5	36.3	58.3
ODA Civic Democrtc A	8	732	5.2	7.1	65.3
KDU-CSL Christ.Democ	10	548	3.9	5.3	70.6
HDZJ Pensioners for	11	125	.9	1.2	71.8
LB (Communist) Left	15	634	4.5	6.1	78.0
SPR-RSC Assoc.for Re	17	496	3.5	4.8	82.8
HSD-SMS Mov.forSelf-	19	250	1.8	2.4	85.2
LSU Liberal Social U	20	79	.6	.8	85.9
Prty ofRepublic and	21	48	.3	.5	86.4
KAN Club of Engaged	22	77	.5	.7	87.2
others	30	363	2.6	3.5	90.7
didnt vote	31	543	3.8	5.2	95.9
couldnt vote	32	423	3.0	4.1	100.0
	-9	3803	26.9	Missing	
	Total	14147	100.0	100.0	

Valid cases 10344 Missing cases 3803

V3 Party voted 92-CZ National Council (CZNat

Value Label	Value	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cum Percent
OH Civic Movement	1	1574	11.1	12.8	12.8
CSSD Czech Social De	2	1080	7.6	8.8	21.5
ODS Civic Democrtc P	3	4264	30.1	34.6	56.2
ODA Civic Democrtc A	8	1027	7.3	8.3	64.5
KDU-CSL Christ.Democ	10	641	4.5	5.2	69.7
HDZJ Pensioners for	11	162	1.1	1.3	71.0
LB (Communist) Left	15	787	5.6	6.4	77.4
SPR-RSC Assoc.for Re	17	638	4.5	5.2	82.6
HSD-SMS Mov.forSelf-	19	322	2.3	2.6	85.2
LSU Liberal Social U	20	95	.7	.8	86.0
Prty ofRepublic and	21	73	.5	.6	86.6
KAN Club of Engaged	22	96	.7	.8	87.3
others	30	450	3.2	3.7	91.0
didnt vote	31	640	4.5	5.2	96.2
couldnt vote	32	469	3.3	3.8	100.0
	-9	1829	12.9	Missing	
	Total	14147	100.0	100.0	

Valid cases 12318 Missing cases 1829

V4 Sex

Value Label	Value	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cum Percent
male	1	7153	50.6	51.9	51.9
female	2	6639	46.9	48.1	100.0
	-9	355	2.5	Missing	
	Total	14147	100.0	100.0	

Valid cases 13792 Missing cases 355

V5 Age

Value Label	Value	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cum Percent
18-21	1	1107	7.8	7.9	7.9
22-29	2	2228	15.7	16.0	23.9
30-44	3	4049	28.6	29.0	52.9
45-59	4	3999	28.3	28.6	81.5
60 and more	5	2579	18.2	18.5	100.0
	-9	185	1.3	Missing	
	Total	14147	100.0	100.0	

Valid cases 13962 Missing cases 185

V6 Education

Value Label	Value	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cum Percent
primary	1	1603	11.3	11.6	11.6
vocational	2	4556	32.2	32.8	44.4
diploma	3	5595	39.5	40.3	84.7
university	4	2117	15.0	15.3	100.0
	-9	276	2.0	Missing	
	Total	14147	100.0	100.0	

Valid cases 13871 Missing cases 276

V7 Type of employment

Value Label	Value	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cum Percent
worker	1	2626	18.6	18.8	18.8
civil servant	2	1528	10.8	11.0	29.8
other employee	3	2845	20.1	20.4	50.2
in agriculture	4	200	1.4	1.4	51.7
self-employed	5	1721	12.2	12.4	64.0
retired	6	2958	20.9	21.2	85.3
housewife/man	7	537	3.8	3.9	89.1
student	8	613	4.3	4.4	93.5
unemployed	9	147	1.0	1.1	94.6
other	10	758	5.4	5.4	100.0
	-9	214	1.5	Missing	
	Total	14147	100.0	100.0	

Valid cases 13933 Missing cases 214

V8 Religious denomination

Value Label	Value	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cum Percent
none	1	7181	50.8	52.4	52.4
Roman Catholic	2	5492	38.8	40.1	92.5
Evangelic, Protestan	3	496	3.5	3.6	96.1
Orthodox	4	56	.4	.4	96.5
other	5	479	3.4	3.5	100.0
	-9	443	3.1	Missing	
	Total	14147	100.0	100.0	

Valid cases 13704 Missing cases 443

D1NR Region

Value Label	Value	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cum Percent
Prague	31	2999	21.2	21.2	21.2
Centr.Bohemia	32	1237	8.7	8.7	29.9
South.Bohemia	33	835	5.9	5.9	35.8
West.Bohemia	34	1119	7.9	7.9	43.8
North.Bohemia	35	1373	9.7	9.7	53.5
East.Bohemia	36	1480	10.5	10.5	63.9
South.Moravia	37	2779	19.6	19.6	83.6
North.Moravia	38	2325	16.4	16.4	100.0
	Total	14147	100.0	100.0	

Valid cases 14147 Missing cases 0