

# CODEBOOK FOR 2011 ICELAND SURVEY<sup>1</sup>

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<u>CONCEPT</u>	<u>VARIABLE NAME</u>	<u>SURVEY QUESTION &amp; RESPONSE (RE)CODING</u>
Respondent ID	order	1-877 = repeat panelists from our March 2010 survey; 878-1028 = new in 2011
Political Interest	polint11	I am not at all interested in politics [strongly agree (1), somewhat agree (2), neither agree nor disagree (3), somewhat disagree (4), strongly disagree (5), don't know]
Political Discussion	poldisc11	I frequently discuss politics with family and friends [strongly agree (5), somewhat agree (4), neither agree nor disagree (3), somewhat disagree (2), strongly disagree (1), don't know]
Political Persuasion	polpers11	I rarely find myself persuading friends, relatives or fellow workers to share my opinion [strongly agree (1), somewhat agree (2), neither agree nor disagree (3), somewhat disagree (4), strongly disagree (5), don't know]
Politically Informed	polinf11	I am well informed about politics [strongly agree (5), somewhat agree (4), neither agree nor disagree (3), somewhat disagree (2), strongly disagree (1), don't know]
Turnout – Referendum	turnout11	On April 9, 2011, a second referendum was held on repayment of “Icesave” deposits. As you may remember, many eligible voters participated in the referendum. How about you? Did you vote in this recent “Icesave” referendum? [yes (1), no (0), don't know]
Vote – Referendum	votechoice11	[IF DID VOTE IN REFERENDUM] How did you vote in the April 9 <sup>th</sup> “Icesave” referendum? Did you vote in favor of having the repayment plan remain in force, did you vote to have it repealed, or did you submit a blank ballot? [In favor (Remain in force) (1), Opposed (Repeal) (0), Blank ballot/ Spoiled ballot (-1)]

<sup>1</sup> Accompanying dataset entitled, “FINAL 2011 DATA + 2010 KNOWL Qs 11.18.11.dta.” All variables recoded as applicable to range from low-to-high values. Values indicated in parentheses indicate final scale/coding. All ‘Don’t Knows’ left missing.

<sup>2</sup> Implemented by the Social Science Research Institute (SSRI) of the University of Iceland in Reykjavik, the survey was conducted via telephone interviews to a nationally representative sample drawn from the national register. 785 respondents participated for a response rate of 65.4%.

Party ID	partyid11 progressive11 <sup>3</sup> independence11 <sup>4</sup> socdemalliance11 <sup>5</sup> leftgreenmovnt11 <sup>6</sup> movement11 <sup>7</sup> liberal11 <sup>8</sup> noparty11 <sup>9</sup>	Which political party, if any, do you identify with? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Framsóknarflokkur (B, Progressive Party) (1)</li> <li>• Sjálfstæðisflokkuri (D, Independence Party) (2)</li> <li>• Samfylkingin (S, Social Democratic Alliance) (3)</li> <li>• Vinstri hreyfingin - grænt framboð (V, Left-Green Movement) (4)</li> <li>• Hreyfingin (The Movement) (5)</li> <li>• Frjálslyndi flokkurinn (F, The Liberal Party) (6)</li> <li>• Other, what? _____ (7)</li> <li>• Don't know (8)</li> <li>• Refused (9)</li> </ul>
Ideology	lrideo111	In politics, people sometimes talk of "left" and "right". Where would you place yourself on a scale from 0 to 10, where '0' means the extreme left and '10' means the extreme right?[ (0-10)
PM Approval	pmapprov11	Jóhanna Sigurðardóttir is doing a good job as Prime Minister [Strongly agree (5), Somewhat agree (4), Neither agree nor disagree (3), Somewhat disagree (2), Strongly disagree (1), <i>Don't know</i> ]
Thermometers	usft11 ukft11 indiaft11 nethft11 ftindex11 <sup>10</sup> uknft11 <sup>11</sup>	Next I'd like you to rate your feelings toward some countries, with 100 meaning a very warm, favorable feeling, 0 meaning a very cold, unfavorable feeling, and 50 meaning not particularly warm or cold. You can use any number from 0 to 100. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The United Kingdom</li> <li>• India</li> <li>• The Netherlands</li> </ul>
Retrospective	Psocioretro11 <sup>12</sup>	<b>EXP#1:</b> <sup>13</sup> The general economic situation in Iceland has gotten worse in the

<sup>3</sup> Dummy equal to 1 if respondent identified with that party

<sup>4</sup> Dummy equal to 1 if respondent identified with that party

<sup>5</sup> Dummy equal to 1 if respondent identified with that party

<sup>6</sup> Dummy equal to 1 if respondent identified with that party

<sup>7</sup> Dummy equal to 1 if respondent identified with that party

<sup>8</sup> Dummy equal to 1 if respondent identified with that party

<sup>9</sup> Dummy equal to 1 if respondent identified with that party

<sup>10</sup> A mean index of responses to ukft, indiaft, and nethft.

<sup>11</sup> A mean index of responses to ukft and nethft.

Economy	NPsocioretro11 Asocioretro11	last 12 months [Strongly agree (1), Somewhat agree (2), Neither agree nor disagree (3), Somewhat disagree (4), Strongly disagree (5), <i>Don't know</i> ]
Retrospective Pocketbook	Ppocketretro11 NPpocketretro11 Apocketretro11	<b>EXP#1:</b> My personal economic situation has improved in the last twelve months [Strongly agree (5), Somewhat agree (4), Neither agree nor disagree (3), Somewhat disagree (2), Strongly disagree (1), <i>Don't know</i> ]
Prospective Economy	Psociopro11 NPsociopro11 Asociopro11	<b>EXP#1:</b> Over the next 12 months, I expect the general economic situation in Iceland will improve [Strongly agree (5), Somewhat agree (4), Neither agree nor disagree (3), Somewhat disagree (2), Strongly disagree (1), <i>Don't know</i> ]
Prospective Pocketbook	Ppocketpro11 NPpocketpro11 Apocketpro11	<b>EXP#1:</b> Over the next 12 months, I expect my personal economic situation will get worse [Strongly agree (1), Somewhat agree (2), Neither agree nor disagree (3), Somewhat disagree (4), Strongly disagree (5), <i>Don't know</i> ]
Got Prime #1	eprime11	Dummy where 1=got treatment in experiment #1
Prospective Borrower	borrow11	How likely or unlikely do you think it is that in the next 6-12 months you'll borrow money to finance a home, the purchase of a car, or other large expenses? [Very likely (4), Somewhat likely (3), Somewhat unlikely (2), Very unlikely (1)]
Investments	investments11 investabroad11 <sup>14</sup> onlyinvestdom11 <sup>15</sup>	Which of the following best describes any investments you might have? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I have investments outside of Iceland. (1)</li> <li>• I have investments inside Iceland. (2)</li> <li>• I have investments both inside and outside of Iceland. (3)</li> <li>• I do not have any investments. (4)</li> </ul>
Debt	ccdebt11 bankdebt11 cardebt11	Some people have various amounts of personal debt. How about you? How much of each of each of the following types of debt do you personally have? [A lot (4), Some (3), Not very much (2), None (1), <i>Don't know</i> ]

<sup>12</sup> P = received prime; NP = received no prime; A = all respondents (P + NP together)

<sup>13</sup> **SPLIT SAMPLE EXPERIMENT #1:** half the respondents were randomly assigned to be read the following highlighted prompt; the other half just received the question wording that follows. “The state of the economy has important consequences for citizens’ quality of life. People tend to be better off when the economy is doing well and happier when their personal financial situations are more secure. Contrarily, many get distressed when the economy is doing poorly because it restricts their ability to purchase goods and provide for their families. Turning to your own economic views, to what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements:”

<sup>14</sup> A dummy equal to 1 if the respondent reports either having investments outside Iceland (1) or both inside and outside Iceland (3).

<sup>15</sup> A dummy equal to 1 if the respondent reports only having investments inside Iceland (2).

	mtgdebt11 studentdebt11 debtindex11 <sup>16</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Credit card debt</li> <li>• Bank loans/debt</li> <li>• Automobile loan debt</li> <li>• Mortgage debt</li> </ul>
Anchoring Vignettes	jondebt11 magnusdebt11 vigdisdebt11 margretdebt11	<p>(ANCHORING VIGNETTES: PLEASE RANDOMIZE THE ORDER IN WHICH RESPONDENTS RECEIVE STATEMENTS IN THIS QUESTION.) How about the amount of debt each of the following people has who all live in their own place and have a car? After hearing their situation, please tell me whether you think each of these people has a lot (4), some (3), not very much (2), or no debt (1).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jón has 200,000 krónur credit card debt, 800,000 krónur in bank loans, no car loan, and a 24 million krónur mortgage.</li> <li>• Magnús has no credit card debt, no bank loans, a 4 million krónur car loan, and a 32 million krónur mortgage.</li> <li>• Vigdís has 800,000 krónur in credit card debt, 1.5 million krónur in bank loans, a 2.5 million krónur car loan, and no mortgage debt.</li> <li>• Margrét has 1,000 <u>euro</u> credit card debt, 5,000 <u>euro</u> in bank loans, no car loan, and a 150,000 euro mortgage.<sup>17</sup></li> </ul>
Devaluation	feardeval11	Some people may have fears regarding the future. Here is a list of things which some people say they are afraid of. For each one, please tell me the extent to which you—personally—are currently afraid of it or not: A decrease in the value of Iceland’s currency, the krona [Very afraid (4), Somewhat afraid (3), Not very afraid (2), Not at all afraid (1), <i>Don’t know</i> ]
Globalization	Pglobaliz11 NPglobaliz11 Aglobaliz11	<b>EXP#1:</b> Globalization—that is, the general opening-up of all economies, which leads to the creation of a world-wide market—is a good thing [Strongly agree (5), Somewhat agree (4), Neither agree nor disagree (3), Somewhat disagree (2), Strongly disagree (1), <i>Don’t know</i> ]
Borrowing Costs	fearborrcosts11	Some people may have fears regarding the future. Here is a list of things which some people say they are afraid of. For each one, please tell me the extent to which you—personally—are currently afraid of it or not:

<sup>16</sup> A mean index of all self-reported debt items.

<sup>17</sup> This amount is equivalent to Jón’s debt, based on April 6, 2010 exchange rates: 1 ISK = 0.0061535138 Euro.

		Increased costs of borrowing if Iceland's credit rating is downgraded [Very afraid (4), Somewhat afraid (3), Not very afraid (2), Not at all afraid (1), <i>Don't know</i> ]
Purchasing Power	fearppp11	Some people may have fears regarding the future. Here is a list of things which some people say they are afraid of. For each one, please tell me the extent to which you—personally—are currently afraid of it or not: Limited ability to afford goods from abroad [Very afraid (4), Somewhat afraid (3), Not very afraid (2), Not at all afraid (1), <i>Don't know</i> ]
Economic Anxiety Index	econanxiety11	A mean index of respondent's economic worries (feardeval, fearborrcosts, and fearppp) (ranges from 0-4 with 13 values)
Identity	id11 exclnatid11 <sup>18</sup>	Next is a question about identity in terms of nationality. Would you define yourself first and foremost as Icelandic, as Icelandic first and European second, as European first and Icelandic second or first and foremost as European? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Icelandic only (4)</li> <li>• Icelandic and European (3)</li> <li>• European and Icelandic (2)</li> <li>• European only (1)</li> <li>• None of the above</li> </ul>
Sovereignty	sovereignty11	It is important that Iceland retain its sovereignty—in other words, its ability to decide for itself the kinds of policies it will adopt [Strongly agree (5), Somewhat agree (4), Neither agree nor disagree (3), Somewhat disagree (2), Strongly disagree (1), <i>Don't know</i> ]
Fear Loss of National ID & Culture	fearlossnatid11	Some people may have fears regarding the future. Here is a list of things which some people say they are afraid of. For each one, please tell me the extent to which you—personally—are currently afraid of it or not: The loss of our national identity and culture [Very afraid (4), Somewhat afraid (3), Not very afraid (2), Not at all afraid (1), <i>Don't know</i> ]
EU Attitude	eumemb11	Iceland's membership in the European Union would be a good thing [Strongly agree (5), Somewhat agree (4), Neither agree nor disagree (3), Somewhat disagree (2), Strongly disagree (1), <i>Don't know</i> ]

<sup>18</sup> A dummy equal to 1 if the respondent reports feeling Icelandic only (4).

EU Referendum	euref11	If a referendum were held today on Iceland joining the EU, I would vote in favor of membership. [Strongly agree (5), Somewhat agree (4), Neither agree nor disagree (3), Somewhat disagree (2), Strongly disagree (1), <i>Don't know</i> ]
Euro	euro11	Iceland should replace the krona with the euro [Strongly agree (5), Somewhat agree (4), Neither agree nor disagree (3), Somewhat disagree (2), Strongly disagree (1), <i>Don't know</i> ]
Knowledge: EU	knoweu11 corrknoweu11 <sup>19</sup>	Do you know how many countries are currently members of the European Union? [15 (1), 25 (2), <b>27 (3)</b> , 30 (4)]
Knowledge: Referendum	knowterms11 corrknowterms11 <sup>20</sup>	What has been the main issue in the two “Icesave” referendums? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Whether or not to repay the UK and the Netherlands. (1)</li> <li>• <b>The terms under which Iceland will repay the UK and the Netherlands. (2)</b></li> <li>• Whether or not Iceland should join the European Union (EU). (3)</li> <li>• Whether Iceland should accept a new loan from the International Monetary Fund (IMF). (4)</li> <li>• Other</li> </ul>
Repayment – Iceland	Prpmtsocio11 NPrpmtsocio11 Arpmtsocio11	<b>EXP#2:</b> <sup>21</sup> Repayment of the “Icesave” debt will have a positive impact on <u>Iceland's</u> economic situation [Strongly agree (5), Somewhat agree (4), Neither agree nor disagree (3), Somewhat disagree (2), Strongly disagree (1), <i>Don't know</i> ]
Repayment – Personal	Prpmpocket11 NPrpmpocket11 Arpmpocket11	<b>EXP#2:</b> Repayment of the “Icesave” debt will have a positive impact on my <u>personal</u> economic situation [Strongly agree (5), Somewhat agree (4), Neither agree nor disagree (3), Somewhat disagree (2), Strongly disagree (1), <i>Don't know</i> ]
Default	Pdefault11 NPdefault11	<b>EXP#2:</b> Iceland should default on its “Icesave” debt [Strongly agree (5), Somewhat agree (4), Neither agree nor disagree (3), Somewhat disagree (2),

<sup>19</sup> A dummy equal to 1 if the respondent answered this question correctly (correct answer in bold & yellow highlight).

<sup>20</sup> A dummy equal to 1 if the respondent answered this question correctly (correct answer in bold & yellow highlight).

<sup>21</sup> **SPLIT-SAMPLE EXPERIMENT #2:** half the respondents were randomly assigned to be read the following highlighted prompt; the other half just received the question wording that follows. “**It has been widely publicized that most politicians approved of the current “Icesave” repayment terms.**” What do you personally think about Iceland paying the UK and the Netherlands back for reimbursing their citizens who lost deposits in the “Icesave” collapse? To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements:”

	Adefault11	Strongly disagree (1), <i>Don't know</i> ]
Better Terms	Pnewtermsbetter11 NPnwtermsbetter11 Anewtermsbetter11	<b>EXP#2:</b> The new terms of repayment at issue in this most recent “Icesave” referendum are much better than the previous terms voted on in the first one [Strongly agree (5), Somewhat agree (4), Neither agree nor disagree (3), Somewhat disagree (2), Strongly disagree (1), <i>Don't know</i> ]
Court	Pcourt11 NPcourt11 Acourt11	<b>EXP#2:</b> I would prefer the “Icesave” issue be resolved in court [Strongly agree (5), Somewhat agree (4), Neither agree nor disagree (3), Somewhat disagree (2), Strongly disagree (1), <i>Don't know</i> ]
Got Prime #2	pprime11	Dummy where 1=got treatment in experiment #2
# of Treatments	treatments11	Count of the total number of treatments a respondent received (0-2)
Education	educ11	What is your education? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No education (Not completed primary education) (1)</li> <li>• Elementary school (Primary or first stage of basic) (2)</li> <li>• Elementary school and addition (Lower secondary) (3)</li> <li>• High school (Post secondary) (4)</li> <li>• High school and addition (High school and some University) (5)</li> <li>• University (6)</li> <li>• Post-graduate (7)</li> </ul>
Income	mhhinc11	On average, what was your monthly family income before taxes last year? Was your income between... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Less than 200 thousand (1)</li> <li>• 200-399 thousand (2)</li> <li>• 400-799 thousand (3)</li> <li>• 800 thousand-1,199 million (4)</li> <li>• 1,2-1,999 million (5)</li> <li>• More than 2 million (6)</li> </ul>
Age	age11	In what year were you born?
Gender	male11	What is your gender? [male (1), female (0)]
Employment	occup11 unempl11 <sup>22</sup>	What is your employment? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Legislators, senior officials and managers (1)</li> </ul>

<sup>22</sup> A dummy equal to 1 if respondent is currently unemployed (12).

	retired11 <sup>23</sup> professional11 <sup>24</sup> agfish11 <sup>25</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Professionals (2)</li> <li>• Technicians and associate professionals (3)</li> <li>• Clerks (4)</li> <li>• Service workers and shop and market sales workers (5)</li> <li>• Agricultural and fishery workers (6)</li> <li>• Craft and related trades workers (7)</li> <li>• Machine operators and assemblers (8)</li> <li>• Elementary occupations (9)</li> <li>• Armed forces, police and coast guard (10)</li> <li>• Student (11)</li> <li>• Currently unemployed (12)</li> <li>• Retired – receiving pension from government (13)</li> <li>• Retired – no pension from government (14)</li> <li>• Disabled (15)</li> </ul>
Industry	isic11 financial11 <sup>26</sup>	<p>In what industry sector is the company or institute that you work for? (Standard industry classifications/sectoral indicators per ISIC or NACE.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agriculture (1)</li> <li>• Fishing (2)</li> <li>• Mining and quarrying (3)</li> <li>• Manufacturing (food products, textiles) (4)</li> <li>• High-tech/software industry, e.g. marel (5)</li> <li>• Large-scale industry (aluminum smelter, water and energy suppliers, etc.) (6)</li> <li>• Construction (7)</li> <li>• Wholesale and retail trade; repairs (8)</li> <li>• Accommodation and food service activities (9)</li> <li>• Transportation (10)</li> </ul>

<sup>23</sup> A dummy equal to 1 if respondent is retired (13 in 2010; 13 or 14 in 2011).

<sup>24</sup> A dummy equal to 1 if respondent works in occupations 1-4.

<sup>25</sup> A dummy equal to 1 if respondent works in agriculture or fishing (6).

<sup>26</sup> A dummy equal to 1 if respondent works in financial or banking sector (11).



		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial (banks) and insurance activities (11)</li> <li>• Real estate activities, property management (12)</li> <li>• Public administration (13)</li> <li>• Education (14)</li> <li>• Human health and social work activities (15)</li> <li>• Other service activities for the community (16)</li> <li>• Other, what?</li> </ul>
Zipcode	zipcode	(representative sample drawn from Icelandic National Register)

### ADDITIONAL KNOWLEDGE QUESTIONS ASKED OF OUR MARCH 2010 RESPONDENTS

<u>CONCEPT</u>	<u>VARIABLE NAME</u>	<u>SURVEY QUESTION</u>
Knowledge: EU	knoweu10 corrknoweu10 <sup>27</sup>	Who is the EU's newly appointed High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy? [Gordon Brown (1), Jacques Delors (2), Angela Merkel (3), <b>Lady Ashton (4)</b> , DK]
Knowledge: Referendum	knowterms10 corrknowterms10 <sup>28</sup>	What [is/was] the main issue at stake in the Icesave dispute? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Whether or not to repay the UK and the Netherlands. (1)</li> <li>• <b>The terms under which Iceland will repay the UK and the Netherlands. (2)</b></li> <li>• Whether or not Iceland should join the European Union (EU). (3)</li> <li>• Whether Iceland should accept a new loan from the International Monetary Fund (IMF). (4)</li> <li>• DK</li> </ul>
Knowledge: Iceland	knowice10 corrknowice10 <sup>29</sup>	Who is Iceland's Minister of Education and Culture? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Katrín Jakobsdóttir (1)</b></li> <li>• Somebody else, who? _____ (2)</li> <li>• Don't know</li> </ul>

<sup>27</sup> A dummy equal to 1 if the respondent answered this question correctly (correct answer in bold & yellow highlight).

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