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Identity and European citizenship

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NATIONAL AND EUROPEAN IDENTITY
National and European identity

Do you see yourself as...? (%)
National and European identity

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- Romanian only
- Romanian and European
- European and Romanian
- European only
National and European identity

Do you see yourself as...

Answer: ‘Romanian and European’ (%)
National and European identity

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Answer: ‘Romanian only’ (%)
ELEMENTS OF EUROPEAN IDENTITY
Elements of European identity

The European identity can be composed of several elements. In your opinion, which of the following are the most important elements that go to make up the European identity? (%)

[Diagram showing trends over time for different elements of European identity, such as values of democracy and freedom, single currency, euro, culture, geography, etc., with data points from various years including November 2008, December 2012, and November-December 2014.]
Elements of European identity

The European identity can be composed of several elements. In your opinion, which of the following are the most important elements that go to make up the European identity? (%)

- The single currency, the euro
- The European flag
- The European anthem
- The values of democracy and freedom
- History
- Geography
- Culture
- The successes of the European economy
- The EU motto: “Unity in diversity”
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**Answer:** The single currency, the euro (%)
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*Answer: The values of democracy and freedom (%)*
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Answer: Culture (%)
STRENGTHENING EUROPEAN CITIZENSHIP
Strengthening European citizenship

Which of the following elements would best strengthen your feeling of being a European citizen? (%)

- A European social welfare system harmonised between the Member States (healthcare, education, pensions, etc.)
- European emergency response service to fight international natural disasters
- Being able to move to any EU country after your retirement and to take your pension with you
- A European ID card in addition to national ID cards
- A President of the EU directly elected by the citizens of all Member States
- Participating in national debates about the future of Europe
- A European civic education course for children of primary school age
- Being able to vote in all elections organised in the Member State where you live even if you are not a citizen of this Member State
- Being able to use your mobile phone in all EU countries at the same price
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Graph showing changes in percentage from EE2009 to EE2015.
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WHAT BRINGS EU CITIZENS TOGETHER IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN WHAT SEPARATES THEM
What brings EU citizens together is more important than what separates them

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Answer: Total ‘agree’ (%)

[Diagram showing percentage agreement over time for different age groups and election years.]
What brings EU citizens together is more important than what separates them

Can you tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statement: what brings the citizens of the different EU Member States together is more important than what separates them.

**Answer:** Total ‘disagree’ (%)
THE EU’S MOST POSITIVE RESULT
The EU’s most positive result

Which of the following do you think is the most positive result of the EU? (%)

- Peace among the Member States of the EU
- The euro
- The economic power of the EU
- The level of social welfare (healthcare, education, pensions) in the EU
- The free movement of people, goods and services within the EU
- Student exchange programmes such as ERASMUS
- The political and diplomatic influence of the EU in the rest of the world
- The Common Agricultural Policy

Graph showing the percentage of positive results of the EU over time, with the most positive result being the free movement of people, goods and services within the EU.
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![Graph showing the EU's most positive result over time](image-url)
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MAIN BENEFITS OF THE EU
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Which of the following are the main reasons for thinking that (OUR COUNTRY) has benefited from being a member of the EU? (%)

- The EU contributes to economic growth in (OUR COUNTRY): 35%
- The EU contributes to maintaining peace and strengthening security: 32%
- Membership of the EU improves co-operation between (OUR COUNTRY) and the other countries of the EU: 31%
- The EU brings (NATIONALITY) people new work opportunities: 28%
- The EU gives (NATIONALITY) people a stronger say in the world: 20%
- Membership of the EU improves co-operation between (OUR COUNTRY) and countries outside the EU: 19%
- The EU improves (NATIONALITY) people’s standard of living: 17%
- The EU helps (OUR COUNTRY) in the fight against terrorism: 16%
- The EU contributes to democracy in (OUR COUNTRY): 14%
- (NATIONALITY) people have an important influence in decisions made at EU level: 11%
- The EU helps (OUR COUNTRY) to tackle climate change: 8%
- You are generally in favour of the EU (SPONTANEOUS): 6%
- Other (SPONTANEOUS): 2%
- Don’t know: 2%

Basis: respondents who replied that their country has benefited from being a member of the EU. (60% of the total sample at EU level)

EB84.1 September 2015
Main benefits of the EU

Which of the following are the main reasons for thinking that (OUR COUNTRY) has benefited from being a member of the EU? (%)

- The EU brings (NATIONALITY) people new work opportunities: 48%
- The EU improves (NATIONALITY) people's standard of living: 29%
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- The EU gives (NATIONALITY) people a stronger say in the world: 13%
- The EU helps (OUR COUNTRY) to tackle climate change: 7%
- (NATIONALITY) people have an important influence in decisions made at EU level: 7%
- You are generally in favour of the EU (SPONTANEOUS): 4%
- Other (SPONTANEOUS): 1%
- Don't know: 2%

National elections in:
- November 2008
- December 2012

Basis: respondents who replied that their country has benefited from being a member of the EU.
(72% of the sample in Romania)

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Which of the following are the main reasons for thinking that (OUR COUNTRY) has benefited from being a member of the EU? (%)

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