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### **Methodological Note**

This is a methodological note for ECFR's policy memo "The continent-wide rise of Euroscepticism". Please find below how net support in the EU is calculated as well as the questions used by the various Eurobarometer opinion polls.

"**Net support in the EU**" for the years 2007 and 2012 has been calculated by subtracting the people who "tend to trust the EU" from the people who "tend not to trust the EU". See below for a table with a summary for all 27 EU member states.

### **References:**

**Spring 2007**, Standard Eurobarometer 67: Public Opinion in the EU. Link: [http://ec.europa.eu/public\\_opinion/archives/eb/eb67/eb67\\_en.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/public_opinion/archives/eb/eb67/eb67_en.pdf)  
(Full Report, p. 51)

*QA16.7. I would like to ask you a question about how much trust you have in certain institutions. For each of the following institutions, please tell me if you tend to trust it or tend not to trust it. The European Union*

**Autumn 2012**, Standard Eurobarometer 78: Public Opinion in the EU. Link: [http://ec.europa.eu/public\\_opinion/archives/eb/eb78/eb78\\_anx\\_en.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/public_opinion/archives/eb/eb78/eb78_anx_en.pdf) (Annex of the Eurobarometer, Tables of Results, p. 42)

*QA11.8. I would like to ask you a question about how much trust you have in certain institutions. For each of the following institutions, please tell me if you tend to trust it or tend not to trust it. The European Union*

	Date	Tend to trust	Tend not to trust	NET SUPPORT
<b>France</b>				
	may-07	51%	41%	10%
	<b>nov-12</b>	34%	56%	<b>-22%</b>
<b>Germany</b>				
	may-07	56%	36%	20%
	<b>nov-12</b>	30%	59%	<b>-29%</b>
<b>Italy</b>				
	may-07	58%	28%	30%
	<b>nov-12</b>	31%	53%	<b>-22%</b>
<b>Spain</b>				
	may-07	65%	23%	42%
	<b>nov-12</b>	20%	72%	<b>-52%</b>
<b>Austria</b>				
	may-07	46%	43%	3%
	<b>nov-12</b>	37%	55%	<b>-18%</b>
<b>Belgium</b>				
	may-07	73%	25%	48%
	<b>nov-12</b>	46%	51%	<b>-5%</b>
<b>Estonia</b>				
	may-07	72%	18%	54%
	<b>nov-12</b>	46%	38%	8%
<b>Finland</b>				
	may-07	61%	35%	26%
	<b>nov-12</b>	47%	48%	<b>-1%</b>
<b>Greece</b>				
	may-07	63%	37%	26%
	<b>nov-12</b>	18%	81%	<b>-63%</b>
<b>Ireland</b>				
	may-07	54%	25%	29%
	<b>nov-12</b>	29%	57%	<b>-28%</b>

**Luxembourg**

may-07	62%	29%	33%
<b>nov-12</b>	43%	53%	<b>-10%</b>

**Malta**

may-07	66%	25%	41%
<b>nov-12</b>	46%	34%	12%

**Portugal**

may-07	65%	24%	41%
<b>nov-12</b>	34%	58%	<b>-24%</b>

**Republic of Cyprus**

may-07	61%	28%	33%
<b>nov-12</b>	31%	64%	<b>-33%</b>

**Slovakia**

may-07	66%	25%	41%
<b>nov-12</b>	45%	48%	<b>-3%</b>

**Slovenia**

may-07	68%	27%	41%
<b>nov-12</b>	39%	57%	<b>-18%</b>

**The Netherlands**

may-07	69%	25%	44%
<b>nov-12</b>	42%	50%	<b>-8%</b>

**UK**

may-07	36%	49%	<b>-13%</b>
<b>nov-12</b>	20%	69%	<b>-49%</b>

**Poland**

may-07	68%	18%	50%
<b>nov-12</b>	48%	42%	6%

**Bulgaria**

may-07	54%	21%	33%
<b>nov-12</b>	60%	24%	36%

**Czech Republic**

may-07	61%	32%	29%
<b>nov-12</b>	34%	60%	<b>-26%</b>

**Denmark**

may-07	65%	29%	36%
<b>nov-12</b>	48%	46%	2%

**Hungary**

may-07	61%	29%	32%
<b>nov-12</b>	44%	51%	<b>-7%</b>

**Latvia**

may-07	47%	38%	9%
<b>nov-12</b>	38%	47%	<b>-9%</b>

**Lithuania**

may-07	65%	19%	46%
<b>nov-12</b>	49%	37%	12%

**Romania**

may-07	65%	20%	45%
<b>nov-12</b>	45%	40%	5%

**Sweden**

may-07	56%	35%	21%
<b>nov-12</b>	33%	62%	<b>-29%</b>