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**EUROBAROMETER POLL ON THE ENTRY OF SPAIN AND PORTUGAL  
INTO THE COMMUNITY**

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According to the latest EUROBAROMETER (Spring 1985) shortly to be published in Brussels, an average of 61 % of the persons interviewed in the European Community are in favour of Spain and Portugal joining the Community; less than two out of ten are against and the remaining two have not formed an opinion.

Spain and Portugal both receive much the same level of support, But replies tend to vary slightly from one country to another: the countries most strongly in favour are Italy, Belgium, Luxembourg and the Netherlands; those least in favour - where nevertheless the positive replies largely predominate - are Denmark and France.

The "don't knows" are most prominent to Greece, Ireland, Denmark and the United Kingdom.

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This poll was conducted in the ten countries of the Community between 14 March and 22 April 1985 by the member institutes of the European Omnibus Survey. Some 9900 persons in all were interviewed.

- (1) Thinking about Spain and Portugal joining the European Community, are you strongly for, somewhat for, somewhat against or strongly against?
- (2) And thinking about Portugal joining the Community, are you strongly for, somewhat for, somewhat against or strongly against?

FOR OR AGAINST SPAIN AND PORTUGAL JOINING THE COMMUNITY

	B %	DK %	D %	F %	IRL %	I %	L %	NL %	UK %	GR %	EC <sup>1</sup> %
<b>1. SPAIN</b>											
<u>March-April 1985</u>											
Strongly for	33	17	25	17	20	38	44	29	18	18	25
Somewhat for	32	23	41	41	28	36	35	38	32	24	36
Somewhat against	9	11	12	19	12	6	13	7	12	7	12
Strongly against	2	10	4	9	5	3	5	5	8	8	6
Don't know	24	39	18	14	35	17	3	21	30	43	21
Total:	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Index <sup>2</sup>	3.26	2.76	3.06	2.76	2.97	3.30	3.22	3.14	2.85	2.92	3.01
<b>2. PORTUGAL</b>											
<u>March-April 1985</u>											
Strongly for	32	17	24	16	20	35	43	28	20	17	24
Somewhat for	31	23	41	42	31	37	34	39	34	24	37
Somewhat against	9	10	11	18	8	6	14	7	9	7	11
Strongly against	2	11	5	9	3	3	6	6	4	7	5
Don't know	26	39	19	15	38	19	3	20	33	45	23
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Index <sup>2</sup>	3.24	2.77	3.03	2.78	3.08	3.28	3.16	3.10	3.04	2.92	3.04

(1) Weighted average

(2) "Very strongly for" = 4; "Very strongly against" = 1; Don't knows excluded.