

# Danish party member survey of 2000/1

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## Joining the Party

1. Do you feel yourself very closely, fairly closely, not very closely or not at all closely attached to **the party**?

- Very closely
- Fairly closely
- Not very closely
- Not at all closely
- Do not know

2. In which year did you first join **the party**?

(If necessary approx.) 19\_\_\_\_

3. Have you continuously been a member since that time?

- Yes  (proceed to question 4)
- No

3a. If no, please give the year of your latest enrolment

(If necessary approx.) 19\_\_\_\_

4. Thinking back to the first time you had to make a contact to your local party branch on yourself. Did you find it easy or difficult to make contact with them?  
(Please tick off one box)

- Very easy
- Easy
- Difficult
- Very difficult
- Do not know

5. People join political parties for a variety of different reasons. How about you, what was your most important reasons for joining **the party**?  
(Please tick off several boxes, though max. four)

- The leader of the party
- The ideology of the party
- The specific national policy/politics of the party
- The specific local policy/politics of the party
- Increasing need for greater opposition to the other parties
- Influence of colleagues
- Influence of family
- Influence of friends
- Influence of trade union, trade organization etc.

- To be better informed about politics
- To make a political carrier
- To have influence on the policy of the party
- To get opportunity to participate in the other activities of the party(cultural, social etc.)
- To show my support for the party
- To show my support for democracy
- Andet: \_\_\_\_\_
- Do not know

6. Thinking about the circumstances when you actually joined [the party](#). What triggered your decision to join?  
(Please tick off several boxes, though max. Four)

- A direct enquiry of a party member
- A certain political event
- An election campaign
- An advertisement in a national newspaper
- An advertisement in a local newspaper
- [The Party's](#) homepage on the Internet
- Work contacts
- Family contacts
- Social contacts
- Trade union, trade organization, etc. contacts
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Do not know

7. To what extent has your membership fulfilled your initial expectations?

- The membership has:
- More than fulfilled my expectations
  - Fulfilled my expectations
  - Not quite fulfilled my expectations
  - Not at all fulfilled my expectations
  - Do not know

8. Have you within the last year considered to resign from [the party](#)?

- No
- Yes

### Contact with [the party](#)

9. Do you find the amount of contacts, requeries and information from [the party](#) to the members too low, about right or too extensive?  
(Please tick off one box for the national party and one for the local branch)

- |         | National party           | Local branch             |
|---------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Too low | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

About right

Too extensive

Do not know

**10.** How much did you all in all pay **to the party** in 1999?  
 (Please write the approx. amount of DKr, in case you subscription is for married couples, please write in the half amount of the subscription)

Subscription \_\_\_\_\_ DKr.  
 Voluntary contributions (including election campaign contributions) \_\_\_\_\_ DKr.  
**Party tax (contributions connected to possible public posts)** \_\_\_\_\_ DKr.  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_ DKr.

**11.** It is sometimes discussed if the subscription is suitable. How high do you find that *your* yearly subscription should be? \_\_\_\_\_kr.

**12.** How often do you visit the **party's** Internet homepage?  
 (Please tick off one bok)

At least once a week

At least once a month

Less often

Never

**13.** How often do you receive e-mails (electronic post) from **the party's** headquarter?  
 (Please tick off one bok)

At least once a week

At least once a month

Less often

Never

**14.** How often have you on yourself made a contact to one of the **party's** representatives within the last year (write 0 if you have not made a contact)?

- a. Contact to representative(s) in parliament \_\_\_\_\_(approx. number of times)
- b. Contact to representative(s) in regional council \_\_\_\_\_(approx. number of times)
- c. Contact to representative(s) in local council \_\_\_\_\_(approx. number of times)

**15.** How often have you on yourself made a contact to your local party branch within the last year?

Number of times (approx.): \_\_\_\_\_

16. How often have you within the last year been contacted personally by your local party branch?

Number of times (approx.): \_\_\_\_\_

16. How often have you attended a meeting in your local party branch within the last year? (All kinds of meetings)

Number of times (approx.): \_\_\_\_\_

18. Thinking back at the last ordinary member meeting or general meeting you have attended. What did you feel about the meeting? If you e.g. found the meeting very interesting please tick off the in the box to the left in the first row. (Please tick off one box in each row)

If you have never attended such a meeting please put a tick here  and proceed to question 20.

	Very	Fairly	Neither	Fairly	Very	Do not know
Interesting	<input type="checkbox"/>	Uninteresting <input type="checkbox"/>				
Unfriendly atmosphere	<input type="checkbox"/>	Friendly atmosphere <input type="checkbox"/>				
Efficiently run	<input type="checkbox"/>	Inefficiently run <input type="checkbox"/>				
United	<input type="checkbox"/>	Divided <input type="checkbox"/>				
Hard to understand	<input type="checkbox"/>	Easy to understand <input type="checkbox"/>				
Left wing	<input type="checkbox"/>	Right wing <input type="checkbox"/>				
Old fashioned	<input type="checkbox"/>	Modern <input type="checkbox"/>				
Characterized by political debate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Characterized by other <input type="checkbox"/>				

19. If you were to provide suggestions of how to change the meetings, how should it be done? \_\_\_\_\_

### Activities in the Party

20. How active do you consider yourself to be in the party?

- Very active
- Fairly active
- Not very active
- Not at all active
- Do not know

21. How much time do you devote to party activities in the average month?

Number of hours (approx.): \_\_\_\_\_

**22.** Are you more active or less active within **the party** than you were five years ago (or when you joined if less than five years ago)?

More active  (Proceed to question 23)

Less active  (Proceed to question 24)

About the same  (Proceed to question 25)

**23.** If you are more active today than five years ago (or when you joined if less than five years ago) what are the most important reasons for this change?

(Please tick off several boxes, though max. Four)

I am a party official now

My increased opposition to other parties

Because of having more time to spare

Change in family circumstances

I have retired from work

Organizational changes within the party

Political changes within the party

Changes in the leadership of the party

Other person related matters in the party

My increased awareness of political issues

To support my job career

To support my political career

Move in home

Change in job circumstances

Other reasons: \_\_\_\_\_

**24.** If you are less active today than five years ago (or when you joined if less than five years ago) what are the most important reasons for this change?

(Please tick off several boxes, though max. Four)

Less election campaign activities

Lack of spare time

Work in other organizations and groups

Deterioration in my health

Move in home

Change in job circumstances

My decreasing interest in politics

I am no longer a party official

I did not have any influence in the party

Change in family circumstances

I have retired from work

Organizational changes within the party

Political changes within the party

Changes in the leadership of the party

Other person related matters in the party

My decreased opposition to other parties

Other reasons: \_\_\_\_\_

**25.** If the party asked you, would you then accept to get nominated as a candidate to:

	Yes	Would consider	No	Do not know
Local Council?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Regional council?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
National Parliament?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**26.** Do you at present hold any office(s) in the party?

Yes

No  (proceed to question 27)

**26a.** If yes, at which level?

(Please tick off all boxes that apply)

Local level (e.g. valgkreds-, partiforenings- eller kredsforeningsniveau)	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Regional level or great constituency level		<input type="checkbox"/>
National level	<input type="checkbox"/>	
International level	<input type="checkbox"/>	

**27.** Have you been represented in and or nominated for election to some of the following organs?

(Please tick off one box in each row)

	Presently nominated nor Represented	Previously represented	Nominated, but never elected	Never elected
Day-care institution governing body	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
School governing body	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Parochial church council	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Local council	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Regional council	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
National Parliament	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
European Parliament	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**28.** How often have you participated in the following listed activities within the last five years?

(Please tick off one box in each row)

	Never	Once	2-5 times	6-10 times	More than times
a. Committee work, working groups etc. in the party	<input type="checkbox"/>				
b. Donated money			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>					
c. Helped collecting money	<input type="checkbox"/>				
d. Helped organizing a street party stall	<input type="checkbox"/>				
e. Delivered party leaflets	<input type="checkbox"/>				
f. Writing letters to the editor about the party's policy	<input type="checkbox"/>				
g. Participated in formulation political proposals					

- |  |                          |                          |                          |                          |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| to be passed in the party  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| h. Canvassing members door to door   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| i. Stood for office within the party organization  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| j. Stood for elected office in local, regional, national and European parliamentary election | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| k. Discussed the policies of the party with people who are not members                       | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| l. Participated in electronic debates arranged by political parties                          | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| m. Voted at postal ballots within the party  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**29.** In the following some circumstances about party meetings are listed. We would like to know how often you within the last five years have participated in the different kinds of meeting activities.  
(Please tick off one box in each row)

- |   | Never                    | Rarely                   | Sometimes                | Often                    |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| a. Attended the yearly general meeting of the local branch  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Attended local-, constituency- or regional branch meetings   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c. Taken the floor at local-, constituency- or regional branch meetings                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d. Participated in arranging local-, constituency- or regional branch meetings                                | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| e. Being a delegate at the party's <a href="#">annual meeting/ congress/national meeting/national council</a> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| f. Taken the floor at the party's <a href="#">annual meeting/ congress/national meeting/national council</a>  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| g. Participated in the party's social and cultural arrangements   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

### The last parliamentary and local elections

**30.** Did you vote in the parliamentary election in March 1998?

- Yes
- No  (Proceed to question 31)
- No, I did not get the right to vote  (Proceed to question 31)

**30a.** If you voted, did you vote for a person and did you vote for a man or a woman?  
(Please tick off one box)

- Did not vote for a person  (Proceed to question 31)
- Voted for a person, a man
- Voted for a person, a woman
- Do not know/do not want to answer

**30b.** Did you vote for the constituency **party's** own candidate?

Yes

No

Do not know/ do not want to answer

**31.** Did you vote in the local election in November 1997?

Yes

No  (Proceed to question 32)

No, I did not get the right to vote  (Proceed to question 32)

**31a.** If you voted, did you vote for **the party**?

Yes

No

Do not know/ do not want to answer

**31b.** If you voted, did you vote for a person and did you vote for a man or a woman?

(Please tick off one box)

Did not vote for a person

Voted for a person, a man

Voted for a person, a woman

Do not know/ do not want to answer

**32.** Thinking about the parliamentary election in March 1998, please give your general impression of the **party's** campaign.

(Please tick off one box in each row)

	Very	Fairly	Neither	Fairly	Very		Do not know
a. Effective <input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Ineffective				
b. Efficiently run <input type="checkbox"/>		Badly run					
c. United <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Disunited
d. Ideological <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Pragmatic
e. Negative <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Positiv
f. Left wing <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Right wing <input type="checkbox"/>
g. Modern <input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/> Old fashioned					

**33.** Thinking about the parliamentary election in March 1998, how often did you?  
(Please tick off one box in each row)

Not at all      Once      Twice      Three or

- |   |                          |                          |                          |                          |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|   |                          |                          |                          | more occasions           |
| a. Door canvass voters on behalf of the party | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Helped with found-raising                  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c. Delivered party leaflets                   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d. Attended a party rally                     | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| e. Helped organize a party street stall       | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| f. Helped with party mailings                 | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| g. Displayed election posters                 | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| h. Reminded voters to vote for the party      | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**34.** Thinking about the parliamentary election in March 1998, we would like to know which of the following activities you participated in?

(Please tick off all boxes that apply)

- Donated money.  How much ? \_\_\_\_\_
- Helped run a polling station
- Drove voters to the polling station
- Other:  \_\_\_\_\_
- Was not active

**35.** How important do you find the efforts of the local election campaigns compared to the national election campaign?

- The local election campaigns are most important
- The national campaign is most important
- They are of equal importance
- Do not know

### Political Attitudes

**36.** In Danish politics people often talk about the left and the right. Where would you place your views on the scale below, where 0 is most to the left and 10 most to the right?

(Please tick off one box only)

- 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Do not know
- Left               Right

**37.** And where would you place the views of [the party](#) on a similar?

(Please tick off one box only)

- 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Do not know
- Left              Right

**38.** Within the parties people often talk about the left and the right. Compared with other members of the party, where will you place your views on the scale below?

(Please tick off one box only)

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Do not know	
Left	<input type="checkbox"/>	Right	<input type="checkbox"/>									

**39.** There is political disagreement about how many refugees we can accept. Some finds that we accept far too many. Others say that we can accept many more. The below scale runs from 1 to 5, where 1 means that we should accept many fewer, 2 means some fewer, 3 means the same number as now, 4 means some more and 5 means that we should accept many more than today.

Where would you place your views on this scale, and do you find that the views of **the party** are placed?

(Please tick off one box in each row)

	Many fewer 1	Some fewer 2	The same number as now 3	Some more 4	Many more 5	Do not know 6
Myself	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>The party</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**40.** There is also political disagreement about the size of the public sector. Some finds that we should cut the public revenues and spendings, while other finds that the public revenues and spendings should be increased in the future. Where would you place your own views on the below scale, and where do you find that the views of **the party** is placed on the scale?

(Please tick off one box in each row)

	Cut a lot 1	Cut a bit 2	About the right 3	Increase a bit 4	Increase a lot 5	Do not know 6
Myself	<input type="checkbox"/>					
<b>The party</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>					

**41.** Some political parties are in favor of maintaining law and order by harder punishments. Other political parties are in favor of preventing crime by treating the criminals in a human way. Concerning this question where would you place your views on the below scale, and where do you find that the views of **the party** should be placed?

(Please tick off one box in each row)

	Favor law and order the most				Favor preventive measures and human treatment the most		Do not know
	1	2	3	4	5		6
Myself	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>The party</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>

**42.** We sometimes talk about a green dimension, where some political parties attach great importance to the state of the environment, while other political parties find that environmental considerations have got out of control. Concerning this question where would you place your views on the below scale, and where do you find that the views of **the party** should be placed?  
(Please tick off one box in each row)

	The least green policy				The most green policy		Do not know
	1	2	3	4	5		6
Myself	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>				
<b>The party</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>				

**43.** We would also like to know something about your view on public spending. Below are listed some public tasks. Do you find that the public are spending too much money, about the right or too little money on these tasks?  
(Please tick off one box in each row)

	Too much money	About the right	Too little money	Do not know
The defense	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The health sector	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Retirement pensions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Environmental problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Culture	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The police	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Social benefits for the individual	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Aid to developing countries	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Home help	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day care centers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### **Attitudes to **the party****

**44.** Some people say that all political parties look after certain groups and are not so concerned about others. How closely do you think the party looks after the interests of the following groups?  
(Please tick off one box in each row)

	Very closely	Fairly closely	Not very closely	Not at all	Do not know
a. The farmers	<input type="checkbox"/>				
b. The public employees	<input type="checkbox"/>				
c. Working class people	<input type="checkbox"/>				
d. Middle class people	<input type="checkbox"/>				

- |                       |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| e. Unemployed people  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| f. Business           | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| g. Trade unions       | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| h. Immigrants         | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| i. People on benefits | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| j. The rich           | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| k. Retired people     | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**45.** Please think about your general impressions of **the party**, and describe them using the following scales.

(Please tick off one box in each row)

- |                                      | Very                     | Fairly                   | Neither                  | Fairly                   | Very                     | Do not know                                 |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| a. Modern                            | <input type="checkbox"/> | Old fashioned <input type="checkbox"/>      |
| b. Badly run                         | <input type="checkbox"/> | Efficiently run <input type="checkbox"/>    |
| c. United                            | <input type="checkbox"/> | Divided <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| d. For specific groups<br>in society | <input type="checkbox"/> | For all groups <input type="checkbox"/>     |
| e. For middle class                  | <input type="checkbox"/> | For working class <input type="checkbox"/>  |
| f. Left wing                         | <input type="checkbox"/> | Right wing <input type="checkbox"/>         |
| g. Run by the leadership             | <input type="checkbox"/> | Run by the members <input type="checkbox"/> |

**46.** Next there are some statements about the organization of **the party**. We would like to know if you agree or disagree with them.

(Please tick off one box in each row)

- |  | Strongly agree           | Agree                    | Neither                  | Disagree                 | Strongly disagree        | Do not know              |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| a. The role of the party members is to support decisions made by the leadership  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Economic donations of trade unions and business organizations to political parties should be abolished                              | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c. The <b>annual meeting/congress/national meeting/national council</b> of the party should have the final say on all important issues | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d. Postal ballots of all individual party members strengthen party democracy   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| e. Only a few party members have the   | <input type="checkbox"/> |

- knowledge necessary to make policy
- f. The National Executive Committee should have the final say in the selection of parliamentary candidates
- g. A problem with the party today is that it's leadership is too powerful
- h. The leadership should listen more to the voters than to than to the members
- i. Public financing of the political parties should be abolished
- j. The party leadership doesn't pay a lot of attention to ordinary party members
- k. The members of the party are part of a movement of like-minded people who work together in solidarity
- l. Quota system between men and women is a good way to ensure equality in the party
- m. Increased application of e-mails and the Internet would improve the political process in the party

**47.** Next there are some statements about being a member of [the party](#). We would like to know if you agree or disagree with them.  
(Please tick off one box in each row)

Strongly Agree    Agree    Neither    Disagree    Strongly Disagree    Do not know

- a. Many people find party work boring
- b. A person like me would do a good job of being a local councilor
- c. The people who are most active are the ones who have most say in deciding party policy
- d. The only way to be really educated about politics is to be an activists in a political party

e. The party would be more successful if more people like me were elected to Parliament

f. Attending a party meeting can be tiring after a day's work

g. Being an active party member is a good way to meet interesting people

h. Party activity often takes time away from one's family

i. Many people think party activists are extremists

j. The amount of work done by ordinary party members is very often unrecognized

k. When the members of the party are united and work together they can really change Denmark

l. By and large the MP's of the party try to represent the views of ordinary party members

m. My acquaintances often look down on the people who are active in [the party](#)

## Attitudes to Politics

48. Next there are some statements about politics in Denmark. We would like to know if you agree or disagree with them.

(Please tick off one box in each row)

Strongly Agree    Neither    Disagree    Strongly Disagree    Do not know

a. It is possible to have a real influence in politics if you are prepared to get involved

b. Sometimes politics seems so complicated it is difficult for a person like me what is going on

c. Parties in general are only interested in peoples' votes, not in their opinions



- Do not agree with any of them
- Do not know

**52.** Next some kinds of political activities are listed. We would like to ask you the extent to which you think you can personally influence politics, if you participate in the activities.

(Please tick off one box in each row)

	A large Extent	Some extent	Small extent	Not at all	Do not know
a. Be a member of <a href="#">the party</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
b. Displaying election posters	<input type="checkbox"/>				
c. Donating money to the <a href="#">party's</a> funds	<input type="checkbox"/>				
d. Attending party meetings at local-, constituency- or regional levels	<input type="checkbox"/>				
e. Stand for elective office within <a href="#">the party</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
f. Stand for elective office at local-, regional-, national-, or European parliamentary elections	<input type="checkbox"/>				
g. Take the floor at local-, constituency- or regional level party meetings	<input type="checkbox"/>				

### Personal details

**53.** What is your main occupation at the moment? (Please tick off one box)

- Self-employed farmer
- Self-employed other
- Helping married partner
- Higher white collar worker/official
- Lower white collar worker/public servant
- Skilled worker
- Unskilled worker
- Apprentice, pupil or student
- Unemployed, activated, early pensioner or disabled pensioner
- Old age pensioner or efterlønsmodtager
- Housewife
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**54.** Are you public or private employee or are you self-employed?

- Private employee
- Public employee
- Self-employed
- Out of work

**55.** In your job, do you supervise or are you responsible for the work of any other

people (or if retired now did you supervised anyone when you worked)?

Yes  If yes, how many people do you supervise (approx.)? \_\_\_\_\_

No

**56.** What is the title of your present job?

\_\_\_\_\_

**57.** Are you a member of the Danish national church?

No

Yes  (Proceed to question 57b)

**57a.** Do you regard yourself as belonging to any other particular religion?

No  (Proceed to question 58)

Yes

If yes, one: \_\_\_\_\_

**57b.** Have you attended service(s) within the last year?

No

Yes

If yes, how many times (approx.)? \_\_\_\_\_

**58.** Are you a Danish citizen?

No

Yes

**59.** Is your ethnic origin Danish?

Yes

No

If no, please write in your ethnic origin: \_\_\_\_\_

**60.** What educational level have you obtained?

(Please tick off one box)

Less than 7 years

7-8 years

9-10 years

A-levels

Other (including school in another country): \_\_\_\_\_

**60a.** Have you obtained any education since school?

No  (Proceed to question 61)

Yes

**60b.** If yes, which education is it?

Education to become unskilled worker

EFG-basis year (but not second part)

Finished apprenticeship or EFG-education

Other skilled education

Short higher education (less than 3 years)

Semi long higher education (3-4 years)

Long higher education (more than 4 years)

Other, please write in: \_\_\_\_\_

**61.** When you were young would you say that your family belonged to any particular social class?

No  (Proceed to question 63)

Yes

**61a.** If yes, which class was that?

Middleclass

Working class

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**62.** Do you ever think of yourself as belonging to any particular class?

No  (Proceed to question 63)

Yes

**62a.** If yes, which class is that?

Middleclass

Working class

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**63.** What year is your year of birth?

19\_\_\_\_\_

**64.** Please indicate your gender?

Male

Female

**65.** Please write the municipal in which you live: \_\_\_\_\_

**66.** Which of the following categories represents the total income of your household from all sources before tax?

(Please tick off one box)

- Under 75.000 kr.
- 75.000 - 124.999 kr.
- 125.000 - 199.999 kr.
- 200.000 - 399.999 kr.
- 400.000 - 599.999 kr.
- 600.000 - 799.999 kr.
- 800.000 kr. plus
- Do not know/ do not want to answer

## Membership of Groups

67. Are you a member of or have you within the last 12 months attended a meeting in one of voluntary organizations at the following list?  
(Please tick off two boxes in each row)

	Member of		Have attended a meeting	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
a. Sports- or recreation groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Cultural or music groups (e.g. choir)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Housing, house owner or renting groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Parents groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Handicap- or patient groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. Environmental groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g. Immigrants groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
h. Women's groups (e.g. Danish Women's society)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
i. Elderly groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
j. Religious or Christian groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
k. Humanitarian or human rights groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
l. Peace movements or groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
m. Lodge	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
n. The Home Guard	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
o. Housewife groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
p. Consumer groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
q. Trade Union	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
r. Farmer unions and -organizations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
s. Professional- and trade organizations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
t. Health related voluntary group	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
u. Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
v. None	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## Political Thermometer

68. Please think for a moment of a thermometer scale that runs from zero to 100, where 50 is the neutral point, and where 0 means no sympathy, while 100 means great sympathy. Please indicate on the thermometer your sympathy for the mentioned parties.

(Please tick off on box in each row)

	0	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	Do not know
Social Democracy	<input type="checkbox"/>											
Social Liberals	<input type="checkbox"/>											
Conservative	<input type="checkbox"/>											
Center Democrats	<input type="checkbox"/>											
Socialist People's Party	<input type="checkbox"/>											
Danish People's Party	<input type="checkbox"/>											
Christian People's Party	<input type="checkbox"/>											
Liberals	<input type="checkbox"/>											
Progress Party	<input type="checkbox"/>											
Unitary List	<input type="checkbox"/>											

### Political Attitudes

69. Next there is another set of statements about some political issues. Do you agree or disagree with them?

(Please tick of one box in each row)

	Strongly agree	Neither, Disagree	Strongly disagree	Do not know
High incomes should be taxed harder than today	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
In the present economic situation there is no room for tax concessions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
In the present economic situation there is no room for wage increases	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Measures to improve the environment should not be taken to the extent that they conflict with the interests of business	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Violence should be punished much harder than today	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Prevention and information are better measures to stop crime than harsh punishments	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Many public activities could be carried out both better and cheaper if they were handed over to the private sector

In the long run we cannot afford to keep the welfare state on the level of today

In politics a goal should be to secure everybody the same economic conditions regardless of education and occupation

Much money can still be saved by making the public sector more efficient without deteriorating the level of the service

Too many receive social benefits without needing

The government has too little control with private investments

**70.** At the below list four different statements of the EU cooperation are listed. Which of the four statements do you agree the most with, and which of the statements do you find suits the attitude of **the party** best?  
(Please tick off one box in each column)

Own attitudes **Party's attitude**

- |  |                          |                          |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| a. Denmark should withdraw from the EU   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Each member country should keep full sovereignty and be allowed to community decisions                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c. The member countries should to an increasing extent let EU make the decisions and conform to the rules of the community | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d. Over time EU should develop to the united nations of Europe with a common government                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**71.** Finally we would like to know how important you find it is that the parliamentarians in their entirety reflect the composition of the citizenry with respect to:

(Please tick off one box in each row)

Very important    Quite important    Neither/nor    Quite unimportant    Does not matter

- |                     |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          |
|---------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Sex                 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Political attitudes | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Occupation          | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Education           | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Ethnicity           | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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**Thank you very much for your help !**