# Armenian Election Study (ArmES)
# 2018 Pre-Electoral Voter Study
# Questionnaire & Codebook

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# Section A: Sociodemographic and Socioeconomic Characteristics

**Question Number:** A1
**Question:** What year were you born?
**Values:** 1930-2003
**Variable Name:** Birth_Year

**Question Number:** A2
**Question:** What is your sex?
**Values:** 1-2
**Variable Name:** Sex_Eng
**Value Labels:**
1 = Male
2 = Female

**Question Number:** A3
**Question:** What province are you from?
**Values:** 1-11
**Variable Name:** Prov_Eng
**Value Labels:**
1 = Aragatsotn
2 = Ararat
3 = Armavir
4 = Gegharkunik
5 = Yerevan
6 = Lori
7 = Kotayk
8 = Shiraq
9 = Syunik
10 = Vayots Dzor
11 = Tavush

**Question Number:** A4
**Question:** Do you live in a urban or rural area?
**Values:** 1-2

**Variable Name:** UrbRur_Eng
**Value Labels:**
1 = Rural
2 = Urban

**Question Number:** A5
**Question:** What is your level of education?
**Values:** 1-5
**Variable Name:** Educ_Eng
**Value Labels:**
1 = Elementary education
2 = Secondary education
3 = Vocational education
4 = Bachelor's degree
5 = Beyond bachelor's degree

# Section B: Partisanship

**Question Number:** B1
**Question:** Do you feel close to any specific political party or alliance?
**Values:** 1-2, 98-99
**Variable Name:** Partisanship_Eng
**Value Labels:**
1 = No
2 = Yes
98 = Don't know
99 = Refused to answer

**Question Number:** B2
**Question: [**If yes to B1], which political party or alliance?
**Values:** 2-4, 6, 9, 11-12, 14, 16-18, 20, 24-25, 98-99
**Variable Name:** PID_Eng
**Value Labels:**
2 = Armenian National Congress Party
3 = Civic Contract Party
4 = Awakening National Christian Party
6 = "I Have Honor" Pre-Electoral Coalition (PEC)
9 = Bright Armenia Party
11 = Republic Party
12 = Homeland of Armenians Party
14 = Prosperous Armenia Party
16 = 5165 National Conservative Movement Party
17 = Citizen's Decision Social-Democratic Party
18 = "Shirinyan-Babajanyan" Pre-Electoral Coalition (PEC)
20 = Rise Party
24 = "Armenia" Pre-Electoral Coalition (PEC)
25 = National Democratic Axis Party
98 = Don't know
99 = Refused to answer

**Question Number:** B3
**Question: [**If no/don't know to B1], if you had to choose a political party which one would you choose?
**Values:** 2-3, 6, 9, 11-18, 24, 25, 97-99

**Variable Name:** Non_PID_Eng
**Value Labels:**
2 = Armenian National Congress Party
3 = Civic Contract Party
6 = “I Have Honor” Pre-Electoral Coalition (PEC)
9 = Bright Armenia Party
11 = Republic Party
12 = Homeland of Armenians Party
13 = “Free Homeland” Pre-Electoral Coalition (PEC)
14 = Prosperous Armenia Party
15 = Democratic Party of Armenia
16 = 5165 National Conservative Movement Party
17 = Citizen’s Decision Social-Democratic Party
18 = “Shirinyan-Babajanyan” Pre-Electoral Coalition (PEC)
24 = “Armenia” Pre-Electoral Coalition (PEC)
25 = National Democratic Axis Party
97 = Nobody
98 = Don’t know
99 = Refused to answer

# Section C: Issues

**Question Number:** C1
**Question:** In your opinion, what are our most important issues facing today? Please select three issues.
**Values:**
**Variable Name:** Salience1, Salience2, Salience3
**Value Labels:**

**Question Number:** C2.1
**Question:** Comparing the situation of Prices today with five years ago. Has the situation worsened, remained the same, or gotten better?
**Values:** 1-3, 98, 99
**Variable Name:** Issue_Prices_Eng
**Value Labels:**
1 = Gotten worse
2 = Remained the same
3 = Gotten better
98 = Don't Know
99 = Refused to Answer

**Question Number:** C2.2
**Question:** Comparing the situation of Poverty today with five years ago. Has the situation worsened, remained the same, or gotten better?
**Values:** 1-3, 98, 99
**Variable Name:** Issue_Poverty_Eng
**Value Labels:**
1 = Gotten worse
2 = Remained the same
3 = Gotten better
98 = Don't Know
99 = Refused to Answer

**Question Number:** C2.3
**Question:** Comparing the situation of Unemployment today with five years ago. Has the situation worsened, remained the same, or gotten better?

**Values:** 1-3, 98, 99
**Variable Name:** Issue_Unemployment_Eng
**Value Labels:**
1 = Gotten worse
2 = Remained the same
3 = Gotten better
98 = Don't Know
99 = Refused to Answer

**Question Number:** C2.4
**Question:** Comparing the situation of Karabakh Conflict today with five years ago. Has the situation worsened, remained the same, or gotten better?
**Values:** 1-3, 98, 99
**Variable Name:** Issue_Karabakh_Conflict_Eng
**Value Labels:**
1 = Gotten worse
2 = Remained the same
3 = Gotten better
98 = Don't Know
99 = Refused to Answer

**Question Number:** C2.5
**Question:** Comparing the situation of Corruption today with five years ago. Has the situation worsened, remained the same, or gotten better?
**Values:** 1-3, 98, 99
**Variable Name:** Issue_Corruption_Eng
**Value Labels:**
1 = Gotten worse
2 = Remained the same
3 = Gotten better
98 = Don't Know
99 = Refused to Answer

**Question Number:** C3
**Question:** How would you assess the economic situation of the country today compared to one year ago? Would you say…
**Values:** 1-5, 98, 99

**Variable Name:** RS_Eng
**Value Labels:**
1 = Gotten much worse
2 = Gotten worse
3 = Remained the same
4 = Gotten better
5 = Gotten much better
98 = Don't Know
99 = Refused to Answer

**Question Number:** C4
**Question:** Looking ahead, do you expect the following to be better or worse: economic conditions in this country in one year?
**Values:** 1-5, 98, 99
**Variable Name:** RS_Eng
**Value Labels:**
1 = Much worse
2 = Somewhat worse
3 = Remain the same
4 = Somewhat better
5 = Much better
98 = Don't Know
99 = Refused to Answer

**Question Number:** C5
**Question:** What are your expectations regarding the economic situation of your household for the next year?
**Values:** 1-5, 98, 99
**Variable Name:** PS_Eng
**Value Labels:**
1 = Much worse
2 = Somewhat worse
3 = Remain the same
4 = Somewhat better
5 = Much better
98 = Don't Know
99 = Refused to Answer

**Question Number:** C6
**Question:** Who do you blame for the loss in the 44-Day War?
**Values: Variable Name:** War_Eng
**Value Labels:** 1-23, 98, 99
1 = Entire institution of Armenian Armed Forces (generals, soldiers, etc.)
2 = Military leadership of Armenian Armed Forces (Generals)
3 = Nikol Pashinyan
4 = Serzh Sargsyan
5 = Robert Kocharyan
6 = Levon Ter-Petrosyan
7 = The Armenian people
8 = Russia
9 = European Union
10 = United States
11 = Vladimir Putin
12 = Donald Trump
13 = Other – former authorities/government
14 = Other – Turkey/Azerbaijan
15 = Other – current and previous authorities
16 = Other – nobody
17 = Other – everyone
18 = Other – diplomacy/diplomats
19 = Other – International community
20 = Other - Fate
21 = Other – Everyone but Nikol Pashinyan
22 = Other – Armenia's oligarchs
23 = Other - traitors
98 = Don't Know
99 = Refused to Answer

**Question Number:** C7
**Question:** Armenian citizens in the diaspora should have the right to vote in their host country.
**Values: Variable Name:** Dias_Vote_Eng
**Value Labels:** 1-5
1 = Completely disagree
2 = Somewhat disagree
3 = Neither agree, nor disagree
4 = Somewhat agree
5 = Completely agree

**Question Number:** C8
**Question:** Armenian citizens in the diaspora should have the opportunity to hold public office.
**Values: Variable Name:** Dias_PO_Eng
**Value Labels:** 1-5
1 = Completely disagree
2 = Somewhat disagree
3 = Neither agree, nor disagree
4 = Somewhat agree
5 = Completely agree

**Question Number:** C9
**Question:** Armenian citizens in the diaspora should serve in the Armenian army.
**Values: Variable Name:** Dias_Army_Eng
**Value Labels:** 1-5
1 = Completely disagree
2 = Somewhat disagree
3 = Neither agree, nor disagree
4 = Somewhat agree
5 = Completely agree

**Question Number:** C10
**Question:** Armenian citizens in the diaspora should have the opportunity to nominate a representative to the National Assembly.
**Values: Variable Name:** Dias_Rep_Eng
**Value Labels:** 1-5
1 = Completely disagree
2 = Somewhat disagree
3 = Neither agree, nor disagree
4 = Somewhat agree
5 = Completely agree

**Question Number:** C11
**Question:** Armenian political parties should have the opportunity to campaign outside of Armenia in diaspora communities.
**Values: Variable Name:** Dias_Camp_Eng
**Value Labels:** 1-5
1 = Completely disagree

2 = Somewhat disagree
3 = Neither agree, nor disagree
4 = Somewhat agree
5 = Completely agree

**Question Number:** C12
**Question:** Armenian citizens in the diaspora should have the opportunity to nominate a diasporan to the membership of the constitutional court.
**Values: Variable Name:** Dias_Court_Eng
**Value Labels:** 1-5
1 = Completely disagree
2 = Somewhat disagree
3 = Neither agree, nor disagree
4 = Somewhat agree
5 = Completely agree

**Question Number:** C13
**Question:** If given the opportunity to move from Armenia to a (any) foreign country, would you emigrate?
**Values: Variable Name:** Emig_Eng
**Value Labels:** 1-2, 98, 99
1 = No
2 = Yes
98 = Don't know
99 = Refused to answer

# Section D: Current & Former Public Official Perception

**Question Number:** D1.1
**Question:** Please tell me whether you have a positive or negative perception of the following persons and/or institutions? Nikol Pashinyan.
**Values: Variable Name:** Nikol_Eng
**Value Labels:** 1-5, 98, 99
1 = Very negative
2 = Somewhat negative
3 = Neutral
4 = Somewhat positive
5 = Very positive
98 = Don't know
99 = Refused to answer

**Question Number:** D1.2
**Question:** Please tell me whether you have a positive or negative perception of the following persons and/or institutions? Serzh Sargysan.
**Values: Variable Name:** Serzh_Eng
**Value Labels:** 1-5, 98, 99
1 = Very negative
2 = Somewhat negative
3 = Neutral
4 = Somewhat positive
5 = Very positive
98 = Don't know
99 = Refused to answer

**Question Number:** D1.3
**Question:** Please tell me whether you have a positive or negative perception of the following persons and/or institutions? Robert Kocharyan.
**Values: Variable Name:** Robert_Eng
**Value Labels:** 1-5, 98, 99
1 = Very negative
2 = Somewhat negative
3 = Neutral
4 = Somewhat positive

5 = Very positive
98 = Don't know
99 = Refused to answer

**Question Number:** D1.4
**Question:** Please tell me whether you have a positive or negative perception of the following persons and/or institutions? Levon Ter-Petrosyan.
**Values: Variable Name:** Levon_Eng
**Value Labels:** 1-5, 98, 99
1 = Very negative
2 = Somewhat negative
3 = Neutral
4 = Somewhat positive
5 = Very positive
98 = Don't know
99 = Refused to answer

**Question Number:** D1.5
**Question:** Please tell me whether you have a positive or negative perception of the following persons and/or institutions? Armen Sarksyan.
**Values: Variable Name:** Armen_Eng
**Value Labels:** 1-5, 98, 99
1 = Very negative
2 = Somewhat negative
3 = Neutral
4 = Somewhat positive
5 = Very positive
98 = Don't know
99 = Refused to answer

**Question Number:** D1.6
**Question:** Please tell me whether you have a positive or negative perception of the following persons and/or institutions? Gagik Tsarukyan.
**Values: Variable Name:** Gagik_Eng
**Value Labels:** 1-5, 98, 99
1 = Very negative
2 = Somewhat negative

3 = Neutral
4 = Somewhat positive
5 = Very positive
98 = Don’t know
99 = Refused to answer

# Section E: VP-Function

**Question Number:** E1
**Question:** Do you approve or disapprove of the way Prime Minister Nikol Pashinyan has handled his job as Prime Minister?
**Values:** 1-2
**Variable Name:** Approval_Eng
**Value Labels:** 1-2, 98, 99
1 = No
2 = Yes
98 = Don't know
99 = Refused to answer

**Question Number:** E2
**Question:** Are you going to vote in the upcoming June elections?
**Values:** 1-2
**Variable Name:** Turnout_Eng
**Value Labels:** 1-2, 98, 99
1 = No
2 = Yes
98 = Don't know
99 = Refused to answer

**Question Number:** E3
**Question:** If yes, who would you vote for if elections were to take place tomorrow?
**Values:**
**Variable Name:** Intention_Eng
**Value Labels:**