



## Latest EU integration trends

**CEORG March 2001 Joint Monthly Omnibus Survey in Poland, Hungary and the Czech Republic, with the participation of correspondent institutes from Russia and Lithuania**

How would you vote, if the referendum about joining the European Union by your country is called now? (in %)	Poland				Czech Republic				Hungary				Slovakia	Russia	Lithuania	
	V 1999	V 2000	IX 2000	III 2001	V 1999	V 2000	IX 2000	III 2001	V 1999	V 2000	IX 2000	III 2001	III 2001	III 2001	V 2000	III 2001
For joining the European Union	55	59	55	55	45	49	51	45	68	68	69	65	58	54	40	49
Against joining the European Union	26	25	26	30	25	25	22	24	14	13	19	15	21	22	36	25
Difficult to say	19	16	19	15	30	26	27	31	18	19	12	20	18	24	25	26

Do you think that: (responses in %)	Poland				Czech Republic				Hungary				Slovakia	Lithuania	
	V 1999	V 2000	IX 2000	III 2001	V 1999	V 2000	IX 2000	III 2001	V 1999	V 2000	IX 2000	III 2001	III 2001	V 2000	III 2001
Your country should improve and modernize its economy at first and attempt to join the EU after that	58	58	58	62	39	29	38	32	36	44	49	44	41	63	56
Your country should make an attempt to enter the EU as soon as possible, because its membership will speed-up the improvement and modernization of the economy	26	29	27	27	32	41	37	34	46	39	35	37	40	24	29
Difficult to say	16	13	15	10	29	31	25	34	18	17	16	19	19	13	15



How would you evaluate the relations between Poland (Czech Rep., Hungary, Lithuania) and the European Union? For whom are they more beneficial?	Slovakia	Poland				Czech Rep.				Hungary				Lithuania	
	III 2001	V 1999	V 2000	IX 2000	III 2001	V 1999	V 2000	IX 2000	III 2001	V 1999	V 2000	IX 2000	III 2001	V 2000	III 2001
For European Union countries	30	39	44	50	54	38	37	34	36	17	19	24	23	31	25
For Poland (Czech Rep., Hungary, Lithuania)	22	8	8	6	6	11	12	16	13	26	25	23	24	20	29
Equally for Poland (Czech Rep., Hungary, Lithuania) and the European Union	26	30	29	26	25	24	26	27	25	41	40	38	35	25	25
Difficult to say	22	23	19	18	15	27	25	23	26	16	16	15	18	23	21

	What do you think, how far away from full European Union membership Poland (Czech Rep., Hungary, Lithuania) is?																	
	Very far			Rather far			In the middle			Rather close			Very close, it's practically already in the EU			Difficult to say		
	V 1999	V 2000	III 2001	V 1999	V 2000	III 2001	V 1999	V 2000	III 2001	V 1999	V 2000	III 2001	V 1999	V 2000	III 2001	V 1999	V 2000	III 2001
	Answers were given on a scale from 0 (already in the EU) to 10 (Very far). In the table they were recoded: Very far: points 9,10; Far: 7,8; in the middle 4, 5, 6; Rather close 2,3; Very close: 0,1																	
Poland	11	13	16	25	22	23	47	49	47	11	11	10	3	3	2	3	2	2
Czech Rep.	15	13	12	21	19	19	40	39	44	8	15	11	2	2	1	14	12	13
Hungary	7	12	10	11	14	18	43	42	41	16	15	15	4	2	1	19	15	15
Lithuania	-	34	24	-	25	24	-	33	44	-	7	6	-	1	1	-	0	1
Slovakia	-	-	20	-	-	24	-	-	36	-	-	7	-	-	1	-	-	12

**Fieldwork dates and sample size**

**Poland: 2 - 5 March 2001, N=1050**

**Lithuania: March 8 - 11, 2001, N=1063**

**Hungary: 1 - 5 March 2001, N=1524**

**Czech Republic: 5 - 12 March 2001, N=1036**

**Slovakia: March 7- 13, 2001, N=1112**

**Russian Federation: March 23 - 26, N=1600**

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