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The codebook contains information on data content, structure and data collection, and includes a list of publications wholly or in part based on the data, according to publication information received by the FSD. The second part of the codebook contains information on variables: question texts, response options, and frequencies. The third part contains indexes.

Variable distributions presented in this codebook have been generated from the SPSS files. Distribution tables present variable values, frequencies (n), frequency percentages (%), and valid percentages (v. %) which take into account missing data. All distributions are unweighted. If the data contain weight variables, these will be found at the end of the variables list. In some cases frequency distributions have been substituted by descriptive statistics. Categorised responses to open-ended questions are not always included in the codebook. Distributions may contain missing data. The note "System missing (SYSMIS)" refers to missing observations (e.g. a respondent has not answered all questions) whereas "Missing (User missing)" refers to data the user has defined as missing. For example, the user may decide to code answer alternatives 'don't want to say' or 'can't say' as missing data.

The codebook may contain attached files, the most common one being the questionnaire.



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# Chapter 1

## Study description

### 1.1 Titles

**Titles and data version:** MP Candidates and Civil Defence 1999

**Titles and data version in Finnish:** Kansanedustajaehdokkaiden maanpuolustusmielipiteet 1999

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### 1.2 Subject description

#### Authoring entity

Advisory Board for Defence Information (ABDI)

#### Copyright statement for the data

In accordance with the agreement between FSD and the depositor.

#### Depositor

Advisory Board for Defence Information

#### Date of deposit

2.7.2001

### **Keywords**

defence; defence and state security policy; foreign policy; international cooperation; military expenditure; military power; military service; national security; parliamentary candidates

### **Topic Classification**

**Fields of Science Classification:** Social sciences

**CESSDA Classification:** Conflict, security and peace; Elections; Elites and leadership

### **Series description**

The data belong to the series:

Finnish Opinions on Security Policy and National Defence

The Finnish Opinions on Security Policy and National Defence series includes all surveys conducted by the Advisory Board for Defence Information (ABDI). Their focus is on security policy, foreign policy and national defence. The FSD collections cover data from 1992 onwards. The surveys contain a set of core questions repeated over the years.

### **Abstract**

The survey charted the views of Finnish MP candidates on, for example, Finnish neutrality policy, universal military service, armed defence in case of military attack, Finnish Defence Forces funding, and defence industries. In addition, the candidates were asked to state their personal views on parliamentary defence committees, international peacekeeping and crisis management, and the operations of voluntary civil defence organisations. Opinions on the tax-deductibility of donations made to civil defence purposes were also studied. Background variables included respondent's year of birth, gender, political party, constituency, prior MP candidacy or term of office, and other political positions of trust.

## **1.3 Structure and collection of the data**

**Country:** Finland

**Geographic coverage:** Finland

**Analysis or observation unit type:** Individual

**Universe:** Candidates standing for the 1999 Finnish parliamentary elections

**Collection date:** 1999

**Data collector(s):** Gallup Finland

**Data producer(s):** Advisory Board for Defence Information



**Mode of data collection:** Self-administered questionnaire: Paper

**Type of research instrument:** Structured questionnaire

**Time period covered:** 1999

**Time method of the data collection:** Cross-section

**Number of variables and cases:** The data contain 21 variables and 718 cases.

**Sampling procedure:** Total universe/Complete enumeration

## 1.4 Use of data

### Related publications

Updated list of publications in the study description at

[https://services.fsd.uta.fi/catalogue/FSD1171?lang=en&study\\_language=en](https://services.fsd.uta.fi/catalogue/FSD1171?lang=en&study_language=en)

### Location of the data collection

Finnish Social Science Data Archive

### Weighting

There are no weight variables in the data.

### Restrictions

The dataset is (B) available for research, teaching and study.



# Chapter 2

## Variables

### [FSD\_NO] FSD study number

#### Question

*FSD study number*

#### Descriptive statistics

statistic	value
number of valid cases	718
minimum	1171.00
maximum	1171.00
mean	1171.00
standard deviation	0.00

### [FSD\_VR] FSD edition number

#### Question

*FSD edition number*

#### Descriptive statistics

statistic	value
number of valid cases	718
minimum	1.00
maximum	1.00
mean	1.00
standard deviation	0.00

**[FSD\_PRO] FSD processing level****Question***FSD processing level***Frequencies**

label	value	n	%	v. %
A (see codebook)	1	718	100.0	100.0
B (see codebook)	2	0	0.0	0.0
C (data has not been checked at FSD)	3	0	0.0	0.0
		718	100.0	100.0

**[FSD\_ID] FSD case id****Question***FSD case id***Descriptive statistics**

statistic	value
number of valid cases	718
minimum	1.00
maximum	718.00
mean	359.50
standard deviation	207.41

**[K1] If Finland were attacked, do you think Finns should in all circumstances take up arms in defence of their country, even if the outcome seemed uncertain?****Question***If Finland were attacked, do you think Finns should in all circumstances take up arms in defence of their country, even if the outcome seemed uncertain?***Frequencies**

label	value	n	%	v. %
Yes, they should	1	572	79.7	79.7
No, they should not	2	101	14.1	14.1
Can't say	3	45	6.3	6.3
		718	100.0	100.0

**[K2] In your opinion, should Finland continue its policy of military non-alignment or enter a military alliance?**

**Question**

*In your opinion, should Finland continue its policy of military non-alignment or enter a military alliance?*

**Frequencies**

label	value	n	%	v. %
Remain non-aligned	1	537	74.8	74.8
Enter a military alliance	2	143	19.9	19.9
Can't say	3	38	5.3	5.3
		718	100.0	100.0

**[K3] Should the present defence system based on universal conscription be preserved, or should it be directed more towards a professional army?**

**Question**

*Should the present defence system based on universal conscription be preserved, or should it be directed more towards a professional army?*

**Frequencies**

label	value	n	%	v. %
The present system should be preserved	1	569	79.2	79.2
The system should be directed towards a professional army	2	118	16.4	16.4
Can't say	3	31	4.3	4.3
		718	100.0	100.0

**[K4] What is your opinion on the funds allocated to the defence forces in the annual government budget?****Question**

*What is your opinion on the funds allocated to the defence forces in the annual government budget?*

**Frequencies**

label	value	n	%	v. %
Should be increased	1	167	23.3	23.3
Should be kept at the present level	2	365	50.8	50.8
Should be decreased	3	157	21.9	21.9
Can't say	4	29	4.0	4.0
		718	100.0	100.0

**[K5] Should domestic defence industry be sustained in Finland?****Question**

*Should domestic defence industry be sustained in Finland?*

**Frequencies**

label	value	n	%	v. %
Yes, it should	1	615	85.7	85.7
No, it should not	2	48	6.7	6.7
Can't say	3	55	7.7	7.7
		718	100.0	100.0

**[K6] Should the practice of setting up parliamentary Defence Committees (or equivalent) be continued in the next Parliament, or is it better that the Government prepares the bills on its own?****Question**

*Should the practice of setting up parliamentary Defence Committees (or equivalent) be continued in the next Parliament, or is it better that the Government prepares the bills on its own?*

**Frequencies**

label	value	n	%	v. %
Defence committees (or equivalent) should be used in preparation of the bills	1	517	72.0	72.0
Government should prepare the bills on its own	2	142	19.8	19.8
Can't say	3	59	8.2	8.2
		718	100.0	100.0

### [K7] How should Finland participate in international peacekeeping and crisis management?

#### Question

*How should Finland participate in international peacekeeping and crisis management?*

#### Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Participate as at present, in accordance with the peacekeeping act	1	434	60.4	60.4
Participate within the bounds of the peacekeeping act, but increase the number of operations	2	93	13.0	13.0
Participate in more demanding operations than before, including peace enforcement using armed force if necessary	3	103	14.3	14.3
Participate less in crisis management	4	71	9.9	9.9
Can't say	5	17	2.4	2.4
		718	100.0	100.0

### [K8] Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: The work done by voluntary defence organizations is important for Finland's security

#### Question

*Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: The work done by voluntary defence organizations is important for Finland's security*

#### Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Strongly agree	1	365	50.8	50.8
Agree to some extent	2	169	23.5	23.5
Disagree to some extent	3	62	8.6	8.6

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label	value	n	%	v. %
Strongly disagree	4	91	12.7	12.7
Can't say	5	31	4.3	4.3
		718	100.0	100.0

**[K9] Should government funding for activities that support Finland's defence be increased so that the courses focusing on such activities would be free of charge to participants?**

### Question

*Should government funding for activities that support Finland's defence be increased so that the courses focusing on such activities would be free of charge to participants?*

### Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Yes	1	221	30.8	30.8
No	2	432	60.2	60.2
Can't say	3	65	9.1	9.1
		718	100.0	100.0

**[K10] Should the practice of tax-deductibility be reestablished for donations made for defence purposes?**

### Question

*Should the practice of tax-deductibility be reestablished for donations made for defence purposes?*

### Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Yes	1	360	50.1	50.1
No	2	274	38.2	38.2
Can't say	3	84	11.7	11.7
		718	100.0	100.0



**[BV1] The respondent's gender****Question***The respondent's gender***Frequencies**

label	value	n	%	v. %
Male	1	491	68.4	69.7
Female	2	213	29.7	30.3
System missing (SYSMIS)	.	14	1.9	–
		718	100.0	100.0

**[BV2] The respondent's year of birth****Question***The respondent's year of birth***Descriptive statistics**

statistic	value
number of valid cases	690
minimum	1928.00
maximum	1980.00
mean	1952.08
standard deviation	11.64

**[BV3] The candidate of which party or group are you in the parliamentary elections?****Question***The candidate of which party or group are you in the parliamentary elections?***Frequencies**

label	value	n	%	v. %
Social Democratic Party of Finland (SDP)	1	78	10.9	10.9
Centre Party of Finland (KESK)	2	78	10.9	10.9

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label	value	n	%	v. %
National Coalition Party (KOK)	3	102	14.2	14.2
Swedish People's Party in Finland (RKP)	4	33	4.6	4.6
Liberal Party (LKP)	5	7	1.0	1.0
Finnish Rural Party (SMP)	6	2	0.3	0.3
Christian League of Finland (SKL)	7	46	6.4	6.4
Ecological Party (KIPU)	8	0	0.0	0.0
Green League (VIHR)	9	70	9.7	9.7
Left Alliance (VAS)	10	60	8.4	8.4
Finnish Pensioners' Party (SEP)	11	6	0.8	0.8
Alliance for Free Finland (VSL)	12	44	6.1	6.1
Natural Law Party (LLP)	13	18	2.5	2.5
Progressive Finnish Party (NUORS)	14	39	5.4	5.4
True Finns (PS)	15	27	3.8	3.8
Pensioners for the People (EKA)	16	5	0.7	0.7
For Peace and Socialism - Communist Workers' Party (KTP)	17	1	0.1	0.1
Communist Party of Finland (SKP)	18	47	6.5	6.5
Reform Group (REM)	19	36	5.0	5.0
Other	20	4	0.6	0.6
Don't want to answer/Can't say	21	15	2.1	2.1
		718	100.0	100.0

### [BV4] In which constituency are you a candidate?

#### Question

*In which constituency are you a candidate?*

#### Frequencies

label	value	n	%	v. %
Helsinki	1	77	10.7	10.7
Uusimaa	2	121	16.9	16.9
Finland proper (Varsinais-Suomi)	3	57	7.9	7.9
Satakunta	4	33	4.6	4.6
Tavastia (Häme)	5	47	6.5	6.5
Pirkanmaa	6	60	8.4	8.4
Kymi	7	37	5.2	5.2
Mikkeli	8	38	5.3	5.3
North Karelia (Pohjois-Karjala)	9	33	4.6	4.6
Kuopio	10	33	4.6	4.6

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label	value	n	%	v. %
Central Finland (Keski-Suomi)	11	35	4.9	4.9
Vaasa	12	45	6.3	6.3
Oulu	13	51	7.1	7.1
Lapland (Lappi)	14	36	5.0	5.0
Åland Islands (Ahvenanmaa)	15	1	0.1	0.1
Response missing	16	14	1.9	1.9
		718	100.0	100.0

**[BV5] Have you been a candidate in parliamentary elections before?****Question***Have you been a candidate in parliamentary elections before?***Frequencies**

label	value	n	%	v. %
Yes	1	281	39.1	39.1
No	2	423	58.9	58.9
Response missing	3	14	1.9	1.9
		718	100.0	100.0

**[BV6] Have you ever been a Member of Parliament?****Question***Have you ever been a Member of Parliament?***Frequencies**

label	value	n	%	v. %
Yes	1	66	9.2	9.2
No	2	637	88.7	88.7
Response missing	3	15	2.1	2.1
		718	100.0	100.0

**[BV7] Have you held any other political positions of responsibility at the local, regional or national level?**

**Question**

*Have you held any other political positions of responsibility at the local, regional or national level?*

**Frequencies**

label	value	n	%	v. %
Yes	1	570	79.4	79.4
No	2	133	18.5	18.5
Response missing	3	15	2.1	2.1
		718	100.0	100.0

# Chapter 3

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