

TECHNICAL REPORT

Study description:	SLOVAKIA
Fieldwork dates:	November 23 - December 15, 1998
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Sample type:	<p>Population: Total non-institutionalized population of Slovakia, 18 years and older. The survey is based on probability sampling. The sample is drawn from AISA's own data-base of about 95 thousand names and addresses collected originally from the 1994 October election lists which were continually updated by lists provided by local administration. This database was established using a four-stage cluster random sample proportional to size based on approximately 250 sampling units spread over Slovakia. The sample for this particular survey was drawn from this database as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(1) About 1,400 names and addresses were selected from the data-base by a random procedure;(2) Addresses were assigned to about 113 sampling points;(3) Selection of respondents within households used the last birthday rule. Any replacement of the target person was strictly forbidden.
Fieldwork institute:	AISA, Prague
Fieldwork method:	Fieldwork was conducted by 154 regularly trained AISA interviewers. All interviewers obtained the instruction and they had a possibility to consult all unusual problems which might occur during the fieldwork with their regional supervisors. One interviewer was assigned to each sampling point. Each interviewer had to complete 8 interviews in the selected households. The interviewer had to conduct at least three visits in each selected household (at least one in the evening and at least one during the weekend) unless successfully completing the contact with the selected prospective respondent sooner. 20 percent of completed interviews were controlled by AISA employees by calling back. No serious mistakes were found.
Sample size:	1,095
Response rate:	$(1095/1251) \times 100 = 87.5$ percent

Languages:

Slovak, Czech

Comparison with National Population Characteristics: Slovakia

	Statistical Yearbook 1997 or Census 1991 %	Sample %	Difference
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Gender

Male	48	50	+2
Female	52	50	-2

Age Groups

18-29	27	20	-7
30-44	31	32	+1
45-59	22	28	+6
60+	21	20	-1

Size of Community

< 1,000	17	20	+3
1,000-5,000	27	24	-3
5,000-20,000	15	17	+2
20,000-100,000	28	26	-2
> 100,000	13	13	0