

Table 1: Trends in average number of memberships per person

	<i>1999*</i>	<i>1990</i>	<i>1981</i>	<i>1973</i>	<i>1959</i>
<i>All people</i>	1.43	1.12	0.86	<i>1.15</i>	<i>0.73</i>

* the 1999 figures are from new European Values Survey data. There are some methodological issues in that the questions asked about membership and volunteering in 1999 differed from the questions asked in previous waves, however we consider them comparable for the purposes of providing an overview of levels of membership.

Note: figures in italic, 1973 and 1959, are taken from Hall's paper. The 1990 and 1981 figure have been recalculated using EVS data, and are the same as those appearing in Hall.

Table 2: Trends in percentage of population who are members

	<i>1999</i>	<i>1990</i>	<i>1981</i>
<i>All people</i>	50%	51%	51%

The same data is used in this table, the three waves of European Values Survey data, as used in the above table.

Table 3: Trends in membership by gender, socio-economic status and age

	AVERAGE NUMBER OF				% OF POPULATION WHO	
	MEMBERSHIPS PER PERSON				ARE MEMBERS	
	<i>1999</i>	<i>1990</i>	<i>1981</i>	<i>1999</i>	<i>1990</i>	<i>1981</i>
All people	1.43	1.12	0.86	50%	51%	51%
<u>Gender</u>						
Men	1.36	1.13	0.93	50%	54%	56%
Women	1.51	1.11	0.81	50%	49%	47%
<u>Socio-economic status</u>						
AB	2.63	2.15	1.57	71%	70%	69%
C1	1.80	1.34	0.89	63%	58%	56%
C2	0.86	0.79	0.63	48%	46%	45%
DE	0.73	0.65	0.57	42%	37%	41%
<u>Age</u>						
30 or under	1.10	0.90	0.71	45%	50%	47%
over 30	1.46	1.19	0.98	50%	52%	55%

Source: figures from European Values Survey data.

Table 4: Trends in volunteering

	<i>1981</i>	<i>1991</i>	<i>1997</i>
<i>formal volunteering</i>	44%	51%	48%
<i>informal volunteering</i>	62%	76%	74%
<i>time donated, hours per week</i>		2.7	4

Source: figures from 1997 survey, National Centre for Volunteering

Table 5: Trends in volunteering amongst young people

<i>Formal volunteering</i>	<i>1981</i>	<i>1991</i>	<i>1997</i>
<i>18-24 years old</i>	42%	55%	43%
<i>ALL</i>	44%	51%	48%

Table 6: Attitudes to volunteering

	<i>18-24 year olds</i>	<i>25+ year olds</i>
<i>“doing voluntary work is a good thing for volunteers because it makes them feel they are contributing to society”</i>	81%	77%
<i>“everyone has a duty to do voluntary work at some time in their lives”</i>	36%	29%.

Source: figures from social attitudes survey of young people, reported in Matheson & Summerfield, 2000a.

Table 7: Trends in charitable giving

<i>Year</i>	<i>% people</i>	<i>average monthly donation, £</i>	<i>total £</i>
2000	67.5%	£10.35	£5.76bn
1999	67.2%	£9.76	no figure available
1998	65.9%	£8.25	£4.94bn
1997	64.7%	£8.09	£4.3bn
1996	67.9%	£8.48	£4.58bn
1995	70.4%	£9.95	£5.23bn
1993	81%	£10.71	£5.76bn

Sources: NOP data taken from NCVO Research Quarterly Issue 13, June 2001

Table 8: Time spent on leisure activities

<i>Minutes per day taken up by...</i>	<i>1961</i>	<i>1975</i>	<i>1985</i>	<i>1995</i>
<i>Work (paid and unpaid)</i>	487	458	460	464
<i>Leisure 1: Going out and socialising</i>	72	99	91	111
<i>Leisure 2: At home</i>	213	207	219	194

Source: National time account 1961-1995, taken from Table 18.15, p647 in Gershuny & Fisher (2000).

Table 9 : European and US trends in levels of trust

	<i>1990</i>	<i>1995</i>	<i>change</i>
<i>Britain</i>	44	29.6	-14.4
<i>Spain</i>	32	29.7	-2.3
<i>USA</i>	52	35.9	-16.1
<i>Switzerland</i>	43	37.0	-6.0
<i>W Germany</i>	38	41.8	3.8
<i>Finland</i>	63	48.8	-14.2
<i>Sweden</i>	66	59.7	-6.3
<i>Norway</i>	65	65.3	0.3
<i>France</i>	23		

Sources: figures from the European Values Survey 1990; 1995-7.

Table 10 : Attitudes to voting

	<i>18-24 year olds</i>	<i>whole population</i>
<i>Not registered to vote</i>	more than 10%	less than 5%
<i>Those registered who didn't vote in 1997</i>	33%	17%
<i>It's not really worth voting</i>	13%	8%
<i>Believe everyone has an obligation to vote</i>	36%	65%

Source: figures taken from Matheson & Summerfield (2000a) *Social Focus on Young People*, and from Park, Young People and Political Apathy (1999)

Table 11 : Discuss or interest in politics

	<i>1981</i>	<i>1990*</i>	<i>1995</i>	<i>1999</i>
<i>Interested or very interested in politics</i>	39%	47%		38%
<i>Discuss politics frequently</i>	12%	14%	12%	10%
<i>Occasionally discuss politics</i>	53%	51%	54%	39%
<i>Never discuss politics</i>	36%	35%	34%	52%

Source: figures from the British elements of the European Values Survey: 1981; 1990; 1995-7; 1999

** Margaret Thatcher left as leader of the Conservative Party in 1990 and this may be the cause of the increased interest in and discussion of politics in that year*

Table 12 : Interested or very interested in politics

		<i>1999</i>	<i>1990</i>	<i>1981</i>
<i>All people</i>		37.6	47.2	38.6
<i>Gender:</i>	male	47.4	54.6	43.8
	female	27.7	40.7	33.9
<i>Socio-Economic Status:</i>	AB	66.4	68.3	55.7
	C1	48.3	55.9	40.0
	C2	29.8	38.3	30.6
	DE	17.8	33.2	32.6
<i>Age:</i>	30 and under	33.2	40.9	31.5
	over 30	39.1	49.2	44.0

Source: figures from the British elements of the European Values Survey: 1981; 1990; 1995-7; 1999.