

TABLES FROM BALTIC RETURN MIGRATION STUDY

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Most of the interviews were done in 2005-06, some in 2007-08.

First-generation respondents were usually minors (under 21) when they fled original homeland.

The third-generation respondents were almost all Estonians.

Lithuanian sample has 3/8 who grew up in Soviet Lithuania.

Column percentages do not always add up to 100% due to rounding error.

1. Was your adjustment to life in Estonia/Latvia/Lithuania fairly easy, kind of hard, or somewhere in-between?

Adjustment	Nationality			Generation Abroad			Total
	Estonian	Latvian	Lithuanian	First	Second	Third	
Easy	68 (69%)	19 (48%)	6 (75%)	37 (74%)	49 (56%)	7 (78%)	93 (64%)
In-Between	16 (16%)	15 (38%)	2 (25%)	10 (20%)	22 (25%)	1 (11%)	33 (23%)
Hard	14 (14%)	6 (15%)	0	3 (6%)	16 (18%)	1 (11%)	20 (14%)
Total	98(99%)	40(101%)	8(100%)	50(100%)	87 (99%)	9(100%)	146(101%)

2. How did your friends and relatives in the West react to your move? (Mostly positive or negative?)

Acquaintance Reaction	Nationality			Generation Abroad			Total
	Estonian	Latvian	Lithuanian	First	Second	Third	
Positive	55 (59%)	13 (32%)	6 (75%)	25 (54%)	43 (51%)	3 (30%)	71 (51%)
Neutral	23 (25%)	19 (48%)	2 (25%)	14 (30%)	26 (31%)	4 (40%)	44 (31%)
Negative	15 (16%)	8 (20%)	0	7 (15%)	15 (18%)	3 (30%)	25 (18%)
Total	93(100%)	40(100%)	8(100%)	46 (99%)	84(100%)	10(100%)	140(100%)

3. What kind of family situation did you have when you moved?

Accompanying Relative	Nationality			Generation Abroad			Total
	Estonian	Latvian	Lithuanian	First	Second	Third	
Immediate	47 (44%)	22 (55%)	6 (75%)	32 (58%)	40 (45%)	7 (70%)	75 (49%)
Remote	4 (4%)	1 (2%)	0	2 (4%)	3 (3%)	0	5 (3%)
None	57 (52%)	17 (42%)	2 (25%)	21 (38%)	46 (52%)	3 (30%)	74 (48%)
Total	106(100%)	40(99%)	8(100%)	55(100%)	89(100%)	10(100%)	154(100%)

4a. What kind of family situation do you have now?

Local Partner or Ex	Nationality			Generation Abroad			Total
	Estonian	Latvian	Lithuanian	First	Second	Third	
Yes	46 (44%)	11 (28%)	2 (25%)	13 (24%)	40 (46%)	6 (60%)	59 (39%)
No	58 (56%)	28 (72%)	6 (75%)	41 (76%)	47 (54%)	4 (40%)	92 (61%)
Total	104(100%)	39(99%)	8(100%)	54(100%)	87(100%)	10(100%)	154(100%)

4b. What kind of family situation do you have now?

Local Partner or Ex	Gender		Total
	Male	Female	
Yes	45 (51%)	14 (23%)	59 (39%)
No	44 (49%)	48 (77%)	92 (61%)
Total	89(100%)	62(100%)	151(100%)

5. Are most of your friend in E/L/L locals who grew up here or people who moved here from the West?

Most Friends	Nationality			Generation Abroad			Total
	Estonian	Latvian	Lithuanian	First	Second	Third	
Local	56 (62%)	11 (28%)	2 (33%)	21 (46%)	41 (50%)	7 (78%)	69 (50%)
Half & Half	23 (25%)	21 (52%)	3 (50%)	16 (35%)	30 (37%)	1 (11%)	47 (34%)
W.Immigrants	12 (13%)	5 (12%)	1 (17%)	7 (15%)	10 (12%)	1 (11%)	18 (13%)
W. Visitors	0	3 (8%)	0	2 (4%)	1 (1%)	0	3 (2%)
Total	91(100%)	40(100%)	6(100%)	46(100%)	82(100%)	9(100%)	137 (99%)

6. Are people here pretty much like those in Western countries?

Similarity of People	Nationality			Generation Abroad			Total
	Estonian	Latvian	Lithuanian	First	Second	Third	
Alike	9 (10%)	3 (8%)	1 (14%)	4 (9%)	9 (10%)	0	13 (9%)
Both, DK	24 (25%)	9 (24%)	3 (43%)	8 (17%)	25 (29%)	3 (38%)	36 (26%)
Different	62 (65%)	26 (68%)	3 (43%)	34 (74%)	52 (60%)	5 (62%)	91 (65%)
Total	95(100%)	38(100%)	7(100%)	46(100%)	86 (99%)	8(100%)	140(100%)

7. Do you interact much with non-E/L/L, such as Russians?

Interaction with Russians	Nationality			Generation Abroad			Total
	Estonian	Latvian	Lithuanian	First	Second	Third	
Often	5 (5%)	6 (15%)	0	0	11 (13%)	0	11 (8%)
Sometimes	51 (52%)	16 (41%)	3 (43%)	19 (38%)	43 (51%)	8 (80%)	70 (48%)
Rarely/Never	43 (43%)	17 (44%)	4 (57%)	31 (62%)	31 (36%)	2 (20%)	64 (44%)
Total	99(100%)	39(100%)	7(100%)	50(100%)	85(100%)	10(100%)	145(100%)

8. When there is a bit of nostalgia for certain aspects of the Soviet era, do you find that understandable, or strange and unacceptable?

Soviet-Era Nostalgia	Nationality			Generation Abroad			Total
	Estonian	Latvian	Lithuanian	First	Second	Third	
Understandable	47 (50%)	20 (51%)	3 (38%)	21 (42%)	47 (57%)	2 (25%)	70 (50%)
Both, Depends	35 (37%)	15 (38%)	3 (38%)	18 (36%)	33 (40%)	2 (25%)	53 (38%)
Strange	12 (13%)	4 (10%)	2 (25%)	11 (22%)	3 (4%)	4 (50%)	18 (13%)
Total	94(100%)	39 (99%)	8(101%)	50(100%)	83(100%)	8(100%)	141(101%)

9. Did you have problems with the language after you arrived?

Language Problems	Nationality			Generation Abroad			Total
	Estonian	Latvian	Lithuanian	First	Second	Third	
None	54 (51%)	27 (69%)	8 (100%)	39 (72%)	47 (53%)	3 (30%)	89 (58%)
Minor	42 (40%)	10 (26%)	0	14 (26%)	33 (37%)	5 (50%)	52 (34%)
Major	10 (9%)	2 (5%)	0	1 (2%)	9 (10%)	2 (20%)	12 (8%)
Total	106(100%)	39(100%)	8 (100%)	54(100%)	89(100%)	10(100%)	153(100%)

10. When you speak the local language, can locals usually tell right away that you're from abroad?

Language Difference	Nationality			Generation Abroad			Total
	Estonian	Latvian	Lithuanian	First	Second	Third	
No	25 (26%)	11 (28%)	4 (50%)	22 (45%)	14 (16%)	4 (40%)	40 (27%)
Sometimes	35 (36%)	23 (58%)	3 (38%)	21 (43%)	37 (42%)	3 (30%)	61 (42%)
Usually	38 (39%)	6 (15%)	1 (12%)	6 (12%)	36 (41%)	3 (30%)	45 (31%)
Total	98(101%)	40(101%)	8 (100%)	49(100%)	87(99%)	10(100%)	146(100%)

11. Do you ever regret having moved to Estonia/Latvia/Lithuania?

Regret Moving	Nationality			Generation Abroad			Total
	Estonian	Latvian	Lithuanian	First	Second	Third	
No	90 (91%)	31 (78%)	6 (75%)	46 (92%)	73 (84%)	8 (80%)	127 (86%)
Few Ways	9 (9%)	8 (20%)	2 (25%)	4 (8%)	13 (15%)	2 (20%)	19 (13%)
Yes	0	1 (2%)	0	0	1 (1%)	0	1 (1%)
Total	99(100%)	40(101%)	8 (100%)	50(100%)	87(100%)	10(100%)	147(100%)

12. Do you plan to live here in E/L/L for the rest of your life?

Plan to Stay	Nationality			Generation Abroad			Total
	Estonian	Latvian	Lithuanian	First	Second	Third	
Definitely	42 (42%)	19 (48%)	4 (50%)	35 (70%)	29 (33%)	1 (10%)	65 (44%)
Probably	30 (30%)	13 (32%)	2 (25%)	11 (22%)	30 (34%)	4 (40%)	45 (31%)
Undecided	20 (20%)	5 (12%)	2 (25%)	3 (6%)	20 (23%)	4 (40%)	27 (18%)
Prob. Not	5 (5%)	0	0	0	4 (5%)	1 (10%)	5 (3%)
Def. Not	2 (2%)	3 (8%)	0	1 (2%)	4 (5%)	0	5 (3%)
Total	99(99%)	40(101%)	8 (100%)	50(100%)	87(100%)	10(100%)	147(99%)

13. Have you always thought of yourself as Estonian/Latvian/Lithuanian, Other, or both?

Primary Identity	Nationality			Generation Abroad			Total
	Estonian	Latvian	Lithuanian	First	Second	Third	
Baltic	56 (69%)	29 (76%)	4 (57%)	40 (91%)	45 (62%)	4 (44%)	89 (71%)
Both	18 (22%)	7 (18%)	3 (43%)	3 (7%)	24 (33%)	1 (11%)	28 (22%)
Other	7 (9%)	2 (5%)	0	1 (2%)	4 (6%)	4 (44%)	9 (7%)
Total	81(100%)	38(99%)	7 (100%)	44(100%)	73(101%)	9(99%)	126(100%)

14. Have your experiences here affected your sense of ethnic identity?

Identity Change	Nationality			Generation Abroad			Total
	Estonian	Latvian	Lithuanian	First	Second	Third	
More Baltic	21 (25%)	11 (31%)	0	6 (15%)	24 (32%)	2 (20%)	32 (26%)
Same	54 (64%)	22 (61%)	5 (100%)	32 (82%)	42 (55%)	7 (70%)	81 (65%)
Less Baltic	9 (11%)	3 (8%)	0	1 (3%)	10 (13%)	1 (10%)	12 (10%)
Total	84(100%)	36(100%)	5 (100%)	39(100%)	76(100%)	10(100%)	125(101%)

15. If you visited E/L/L during the Soviet era, did your elders' stories and accounts ring true, or were you surprised by the reality?

Info about Soviet Era	Nationality			Generation Abroad			Total
	Estonian	Latvian	Lithuanian	First	Second	Third	
Rang True	30 (71%)	27 (90%)	5 (100%)	15 (75%)	42 (82%)	5 (83%)	62 (80%)
Did Not	12 (29%)	3 (10%)	0	5 (25%)	9 (18%)	1 (17%)	15 (20%)
Total	42(100%)	30(100%)	5 (100%)	20(100%)	51(100%)	6(100%)	77(100%)

16. Does it feel like E/L/L organizations in the West were doing the right thing, or should they have done something differently, in terms of raising the next generation?

Ethnic Orgzns. Raised Youth	Nationality			Generation Abroad			Total
	Estonian	Latvian	Lithuanian	First	Second	Third	
Right	19 (54%)	24 (67%)	3 (60%)	16 (70%)	29 (59%)	1 (25%)	46 (60%)
Depends	12 (34%)	7 (19%)	2 (40%)	6 (26%)	13 (26%)	2 (50%)	21 (28%)
Wrong	4 (11%)	5 (14%)	0	1 (4%)	7 (14%)	1 (25%)	9 (12%)
Total	35 (99%)	36(100%)	5 (100%)	23(100%)	49 (99%)	4(100%)	76(100%)

17. Communities of Origin and Resettlement

Community of Resettlement in Baltic Lands				
Community of Origin Abroad	Capital City	Second City	Elsewhere	Total
Largest Exile Community in Host Country	74 (87%)	1 (1%)	10 (12%)	85 (100%)
Secondary Exile Community, with Ethnic Center or Church	32 (67%)	6 (12%)	10 (21%)	48 (100%)
Tertiary Exile Community, without Ethnic Center/Church	10 (48%)	8 (38%)	3 (14%)	21 (100%)
Total	116 (75%)	15 (10%)	23 (15%)	154 (100%)

18. *Occupations Before and After Relocation*

Occupational Category	Before Relocating	After Relocating
High White-Collar (Professional, Technical, Managerial)	105 (68% / 85%)*	111 (72% / 86%)
Low White-Collar (Sales & Clerical)	10 (6% / 8%)	15 (10% / 12%)
High Blue-Collar (Craftsmen & Foremen)	2 (1% / 2 %)	3 (2% / 2%)
Low Blue-Collar (Semi-Skilled or Unskilled Manual)	6 (4% / 5%)	0
None (Housewife, Student, Retired)	32 (21% / ---)	26 (17% / ---)
Total	155 (100%/100%)	155 (101%/100%)

* The first percentage inside the parentheses was calculated with the total number of respondents as the base. The second percentage was calculated after excluding those in the None category.