

BBC Daily Politics Show Poll

Fieldwork : March 28th-29th 2007

Absolutes/col percents

Table 1

Q.1 Tony Blair is expected to stand down as Prime Minister and leader of the Labour party later this year.

Please say whether you agree or disagree with the following statements?

It is important that there is a serious contest for the leadership of the Labour party with a number of heavyweight candidates standing for the post so that Labour Party members can have a real choice

Base: All respondents

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region							
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	18-34	35-54	55+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid-lands	North Eng-land	Wales & South West	Scot-land
Unweighted base	1004	456	548	93	165	235	188	149	174	258	423	323	277	210	193	324	267	263	247	138	89
Weighted base	1004	482	522	110	171	201	171	151	201	281	371	352	251	291	211	251	267	262	247	140	88
NET: Agree	695 69%	341 71%	354 68%	67 61%	127 74%	143 71%	128 75%	107 71%	123 61%	194 69%	271 73%	231 66%	177 71%	210 72%	151 72%	156 62%	191 71%	176 67%	174 70%	100 71%	55 62%
Agree strongly (+2)	469 47%	240 50%	230 44%	29 26%	78 45%	107 53%	86 50%	80 53%	91 45%	107 38%	192 52%	170 48%	129 51%	150 51%	90 42%	101 40%	133 50%	115 44%	112 45%	71 51%	38 43%
Agree slightly (+1)	225 22%	101 21%	124 24%	38 34%	49 29%	36 18%	42 25%	27 18%	33 16%	87 31%	78 21%	60 17%	48 19%	61 21%	61 29%	55 22%	57 21%	61 23%	62 25%	29 20%	17 19%
Neither agree nor disagree (0)	109 11%	46 10%	63 12%	24 21%	20 12%	24 12%	13 8%	11 7%	16 8%	44 15%	38 10%	28 8%	24 9%	28 10%	31 15%	26 10%	23 9%	30 12%	28 11%	18 13%	9 10%
Disagree slightly (-1)	80 8%	42 9%	38 7%	7 7%	12 7%	10 5%	12 7%	9 6%	29 14%	19 7%	22 6%	39 11%	26 10%	17 6%	5 3%	32 13%	17 6%	22 8%	21 8%	10 7%	11 12%
Disagree strongly (-2)	67 7%	33 7%	34 7%	3 3%	7 4%	12 6%	10 6%	16 11%	18 9%	10 4%	23 6%	34 10%	15 6%	20 7%	11 5%	20 8%	23 9%	19 7%	8 3%	8 6%	8 9%
NET: Disagree	147 15%	75 16%	72 14%	11 10%	19 11%	23 11%	22 13%	25 17%	47 23%	30 11%	45 12%	73 21%	41 16%	37 13%	17 8%	52 21%	40 15%	41 16%	29 12%	18 13%	19 21%
Refused	10 1%	7 1%	4 1%	- -	- -	3 1%	- -	1 1%	6 3%	- -	3 1%	7 2%	2 1%	1 *	5 2%	3 1%	2 1%	3 1%	4 2%	- -	- -
Don't know	44 4%	13 3%	31 6%	9 8%	5 3%	8 4%	7 4%	6 4%	8 4%	14 5%	16 4%	14 4%	7 3%	15 5%	7 3%	15 6%	11 4%	11 4%	11 4%	4 3%	6 6%
Mean	1.00	1.02	0.98	0.81	1.08	1.13	1.11	1.01	0.79	0.98	1.12	0.89	1.04	1.10	1.06	0.79	1.03	0.93	1.07	1.07	0.80
Standard deviation	1.26	1.28	1.24	1.03	1.12	1.22	1.21	1.38	1.43	1.10	1.21	1.41	1.27	1.24	1.11	1.35	1.30	1.28	1.14	1.22	1.39
Standard error	0.04	0.06	0.06	0.11	0.09	0.08	0.09	0.12	0.11	0.07	0.06	0.08	0.08	0.09	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.07	0.11	0.15

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Table 2

Q.1 Tony Blair is expected to stand down as Prime Minister and leader of the Labour party later this year.

Please say whether you agree or disagree with the following statements?

Gordon Brown, given his record as Chancellor of the Exchequer, is the best qualified Labour candidate to be the next Prime Minister

Base: All respondents

	Sex			Age									Social Class				Region				
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	18-34	35-54	55+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid-lands	North Eng-land	Wales & South West	Scot-land
Unweighted base	1004	456	548	93	165	235	188	149	174	258	423	323	277	210	193	324	267	263	247	138	89
Weighted base	1004	482	522	110	171	201	171	151	201	281	371	352	251	291	211	251	267	262	247	140	88
NET: Agree	356 35%	174 36%	182 35%	43 39%	57 34%	73 36%	57 33%	56 37%	70 35%	101 36%	129 35%	126 36%	92 37%	101 35%	73 35%	89 35%	95 36%	85 33%	79 32%	41 29%	55 62%
Agree strongly (+2)	175 17%	91 19%	84 16%	14 12%	20 12%	36 18%	30 18%	32 21%	43 21%	34 12%	67 18%	75 21%	42 17%	57 19%	31 15%	46 18%	55 20%	35 13%	32 13%	18 13%	35 40%
Agree slightly (+1)	181 18%	84 17%	97 19%	29 27%	38 22%	36 18%	26 15%	25 16%	27 13%	67 24%	62 17%	51 15%	51 20%	44 15%	42 20%	43 17%	40 15%	50 19%	48 19%	23 17%	19 22%
Neither agree nor disagree (0)	130 13%	54 11%	76 15%	21 19%	26 15%	23 12%	23 13%	20 14%	16 8%	48 17%	46 12%	36 10%	31 12%	43 15%	28 13%	27 11%	34 13%	37 14%	34 14%	18 13%	7 8%
Disagree slightly (-1)	132 13%	69 14%	63 12%	15 13%	32 19%	31 16%	26 15%	9 6%	19 10%	47 17%	58 16%	28 8%	38 15%	37 13%	30 14%	27 11%	32 12%	35 13%	34 14%	24 17%	8 9%
Disagree strongly (-2)	328 33%	164 34%	165 32%	27 24%	45 26%	60 30%	57 33%	58 39%	82 41%	72 26%	116 31%	140 40%	77 31%	91 31%	72 34%	88 35%	84 31%	93 35%	87 35%	49 35%	15 17%
NET: Disagree	461 46%	233 48%	228 44%	42 38%	77 45%	91 45%	83 49%	67 45%	101 50%	118 42%	174 47%	169 48%	115 46%	128 44%	102 48%	116 46%	116 43%	127 49%	122 49%	73 52%	23 26%
Refused	7 1%	3 1%	4 1%	- -	- -	3 1%	- -	* *	4 2%	- -	3 1%	4 1%	- -	1 *	2 1%	4 2%	2 1%	2 1%	3 1%	- -	- -
Don't know	51 5%	18 4%	33 6%	4 4%	10 6%	11 6%	8 5%	6 4%	11 5%	14 5%	20 5%	17 5%	12 5%	18 6%	6 3%	15 6%	21 8%	10 4%	10 4%	8 6%	3 3%
Mean	-0.27	-0.29	-0.26	-0.11	-0.27	-0.22	-0.32	-0.26	-0.38	-0.21	-0.27	-0.33	-0.24	-0.23	-0.34	-0.30	-0.20	-0.40	-0.42	-0.48	0.61
Standard deviation	1.54	1.57	1.52	1.40	1.41	1.54	1.54	1.64	1.67	1.40	1.54	1.66	1.52	1.56	1.51	1.59	1.59	1.50	1.49	1.48	1.53
Standard error	0.05	0.07	0.07	0.15	0.11	0.10	0.12	0.14	0.13	0.09	0.08	0.10	0.09	0.11	0.11	0.09	0.10	0.09	0.10	0.13	0.17

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Table 3

Q.1 Tony Blair is expected to stand down as Prime Minister and leader of the Labour party later this year.

Please say whether you agree or disagree with the following statements?

David Miliband, given his record as Secretary of State for the Environment, is the best qualified Labour candidate to be the next Prime Minister

Base: All respondents

	Sex			Age									Social Class				Region				
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	18-34	35-54	55+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid-lands	North Eng-land	Wales & South West	Scot-land
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NET: Agree	189 19%	98 20%	91 18%	25 23%	30 18%	32 16%	29 17%	27 18%	45 22%	56 20%	61 17%	72 20%	41 16%	55 19%	42 20%	51 20%	46 17%	44 17%	59 24%	22 16%	18 20%
Agree strongly (+2)	58 6%	30 6%	28 5%	3 3%	10 6%	9 5%	8 5%	8 5%	20 10%	13 5%	18 5%	28 8%	13 5%	18 6%	7 3%	20 8%	21 8%	10 4%	19 8%	4 3%	5 6%
Agree slightly (+1)	131 13%	68 14%	63 12%	22 20%	21 12%	23 11%	21 12%	19 13%	25 12%	43 15%	44 12%	44 13%	28 11%	37 13%	35 17%	31 12%	25 9%	34 13%	40 16%	18 13%	13 14%
Neither agree nor disagree (0)	231 23%	97 20%	134 26%	39 36%	43 25%	45 23%	41 24%	33 22%	29 15%	82 29%	86 23%	63 18%	64 25%	70 24%	55 26%	42 17%	55 20%	63 24%	63 26%	33 24%	17 20%
Disagree slightly (-1)	215 21%	117 24%	98 19%	16 15%	42 25%	56 28%	37 21%	31 21%	33 16%	59 21%	93 25%	64 18%	56 22%	67 23%	42 20%	50 20%	63 24%	61 23%	36 14%	34 24%	22 25%
Disagree strongly (-2)	241 24%	122 25%	119 23%	20 18%	32 19%	42 21%	47 28%	42 28%	58 29%	51 18%	89 24%	101 29%	62 25%	68 23%	45 21%	65 26%	70 26%	64 24%	60 24%	26 19%	21 24%
NET: Disagree	456 45%	239 50%	217 42%	36 33%	74 43%	98 49%	84 49%	74 49%	91 45%	110 39%	182 49%	165 47%	119 47%	135 47%	87 41%	115 46%	133 50%	125 48%	96 39%	59 43%	44 49%
Refused	8 1%	4 1%	4 1%	- -	1 *	3 1%	- -	* *	5 2%	1 *	3 1%	5 1%	1 *	1 *	2 1%	5 2%	2 1%	3 1%	3 1%	1 1%	- -
Don't know	119 12%	44 9%	75 14%	10 9%	22 13%	22 11%	17 10%	16 11%	32 16%	32 11%	39 11%	47 13%	27 11%	30 10%	25 12%	37 15%	32 12%	27 11%	26 11%	24 17%	10 11%
Mean	-0.51	-0.54	-0.49	-0.27	-0.44	-0.56	-0.61	-0.60	-0.51	-0.37	-0.58	-0.55	-0.57	-0.50	-0.45	-0.52	-0.58	-0.59	-0.36	-0.52	-0.53
Standard deviation	1.22	1.24	1.21	1.10	1.17	1.15	1.20	1.24	1.41	1.14	1.17	1.33	1.19	1.21	1.16	1.33	1.27	1.16	1.29	1.11	1.23
Standard error	0.04	0.06	0.06	0.12	0.10	0.08	0.09	0.11	0.12	0.08	0.06	0.08	0.08	0.09	0.09	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.09	0.11	0.14

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Table 4

Q.1 Tony Blair is expected to stand down as Prime Minister and leader of the Labour party later this year.

Please say whether you agree or disagree with the following statements?

Whoever the new leader of the Labour party, they should call a general election shortly after they take over to get the country's endorsement

Base: All respondents

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	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	18-34	35-54	55+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid-lands	North Eng-land	Wales & South West	Scot-land
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Weighted base	1004	482	522	110	171	201	171	151	201	281	371	352	251	291	211	251	267	262	247	140	88
NET: Agree	730 73%	337 70%	393 75%	85 77%	127 74%	138 69%	123 72%	103 68%	155 77%	211 75%	261 70%	258 73%	178 71%	197 68%	164 78%	191 76%	186 70%	194 74%	182 74%	103 74%	65 74%
Agree strongly (+2)	539 54%	257 53%	282 54%	32 29%	91 54%	110 55%	93 54%	82 55%	131 65%	123 44%	203 55%	213 61%	136 54%	145 50%	122 58%	136 54%	137 51%	142 54%	134 54%	75 54%	51 58%
Agree slightly (+1)	192 19%	81 17%	111 21%	53 48%	35 21%	28 14%	31 18%	21 14%	24 12%	88 31%	58 16%	45 13%	42 17%	52 18%	42 20%	55 22%	49 18%	52 20%	48 20%	28 20%	14 16%
Neither agree nor disagree (0)	70 7%	30 6%	40 8%	10 9%	15 9%	16 8%	10 6%	10 6%	10 5%	24 9%	26 7%	20 6%	17 7%	17 6%	20 10%	16 6%	10 4%	19 7%	20 8%	12 9%	9 11%
Disagree slightly (-1)	63 6%	34 7%	29 5%	8 7%	10 6%	16 8%	7 4%	12 8%	9 5%	18 7%	23 6%	21 6%	20 8%	23 8%	5 3%	14 6%	17 6%	22 8%	14 6%	6 4%	4 4%
Disagree strongly (-2)	108 11%	68 14%	41 8%	6 5%	13 8%	20 10%	27 16%	24 16%	19 9%	19 7%	47 13%	43 12%	30 12%	45 15%	16 8%	18 7%	43 16%	21 8%	21 9%	14 10%	9 10%
NET: Disagree	171 17%	102 21%	70 13%	14 13%	23 13%	36 18%	34 20%	36 24%	28 14%	37 13%	70 19%	64 18%	50 20%	68 23%	21 10%	33 13%	60 23%	43 16%	35 14%	20 15%	12 14%
Refused	6 1%	5 1%	1 *	- -	2 1%	3 1%	- -	* *	1 1%	2 1%	3 1%	2 *	1 *	2 1%	2 1%	2 1%	1 *	1 1%	3 1%	- -	- -
Don't know	27 3%	9 2%	18 3%	2 2%	5 3%	8 4%	3 2%	2 1%	6 3%	7 2%	11 3%	9 2%	6 2%	7 2%	3 1%	10 4%	10 4%	5 2%	7 3%	5 3%	1 1%
Mean	1.02	0.91	1.12	0.89	1.11	1.01	0.93	0.84	1.24	1.02	0.97	1.07	0.96	0.81	1.21	1.15	0.86	1.07	1.09	1.06	1.09
Standard deviation	1.38	1.48	1.26	1.08	1.26	1.41	1.50	1.55	1.32	1.20	1.45	1.43	1.43	1.52	1.20	1.24	1.53	1.31	1.30	1.34	1.34
Standard error	0.04	0.07	0.06	0.11	0.10	0.09	0.11	0.13	0.10	0.08	0.07	0.08	0.09	0.11	0.09	0.07	0.10	0.08	0.08	0.12	0.14

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