

Opinion Poll

Fieldwork : March 4th-6th 2005

Absolutes/col percents

Table 1

Q.2 Many people currently say that they probably won't vote at all at the next general election, while others say they would definitely vote. How likely are you, personally, to vote at the next election?

Q.3/4 On the basis of your view of the parties at the moment, if there were a general election tomorrow, which party would you vote for?

Data excludes those who score 1/DK/Not registered for likelihood to vote (12%), or who don't know who they would vote for (12%), or who refuse to answer (8%).

THIS TABLE DOES NOT INCLUDE ADJUSTMENT FOR DON'T KNOW/REFUSERS

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid-lands	North Eng-land	Wales & South West	Scot-land	Conser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Democ-rat	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	831	431	400	64	117	190	145	142	174	258	197	117	259	202	228	203	125	73	246	349	160	182
Weighted base	834	430	404	74	124	165	146	138	186	212	252	156	214	207	222	204	126	75	270	318	166	184
Conservative	270 32%	143 33%	127 31%	15 20%	39 31%	43 26%	40 27%	58 42%	75 40%	75 35%	84 33%	43 27%	67 32%	82 40%	85 38%	47 23%	45 36%	10 14%	270 100%	-	-	40 22%
Labour	318 38%	172 40%	146 36%	32 44%	49 39%	70 43%	57 39%	39 29%	70 38%	78 37%	83 33%	64 41%	93 44%	68 33%	75 34%	107 52%	35 28%	33 44%	-	318 100%	-	62 33%
Liberal	166 20%	73 17%	93 23%	15 20%	27 21%	34 21%	40 27%	26 19%	25 13%	45 21%	61 24%	28 18%	32 15%	39 19%	46 20%	39 19%	29 23%	13 18%	-	-	166 100%	47 26%
SNP	15 2%	9 2%	7 2%	-	2 2%	4 3%	3 2%	5 4%	1 1%	3 1%	6 2%	3 2%	4 2%	1 *	-	*	2 1%	13 17%	-	-	-	8 5%
Plaid Cymru	6 1%	2 *	4 1%	-	2 1%	2 1%	1 1%	-	2 1%	1 *	1 *	3 2%	2 1%	-	*	-	6 5%	-	-	-	-	2 1%
The Green Party	25 3%	15 3%	10 3%	10 13%	1 1%	4 3%	4 2%	4 3%	3 2%	5 2%	13 5%	4 2%	3 2%	8 4%	11 5%	3 1%	1 1%	2 2%	-	-	-	12 7%
The United Kingdom Independence Party (UKIP)	8 1%	4 1%	4 1%	1 2%	-	2 1%	-	1 1%	4 2%	1 *	2 1%	3 2%	2 1%	1 1%	2 1%	3 1%	2 2%	-	-	-	-	3 2%
The British National Party (BNP)	5 1%	1 *	4 1%	1 2%	-	1 1%	1 1%	1 1%	-	1 *	1 1%	3 2%	-	2 1%	-	1 1%	1 1%	-	-	-	-	-
The Socialist Alliance	1 *	1 *	* *	-	1 1%	* *	-	-	-	1 1%	-	-	-	* *	-	1 *	-	-	-	-	-	-
The Scottish Socialist Party	3 *	2 *	1 *	-	1 1%	1 1%	-	-	1 *	1 *	-	1 1%	1 *	-	-	-	-	3 4%	-	-	-	2 1%
Robert Kilroy Silk's Veritas Party	3 *	-	3 1%	-	1 1%	* *	1 1%	-	-	-	-	1 1%	2 1%	1 1%	* *	-	1 1%	-	-	-	-	2 1%
Respect	2 *	-	2 *	-	2 1%	-	-	-	-	1 1%	-	-	* *	-	-	-	* *	1 2%	-	-	-	-
Another party	12 1%	10 2%	2 *	* *	-	2 1%	-	4 3%	5 3%	* *	1 *	3 2%	7 3%	4 2%	3 2%	3 1%	2 1%	-	-	-	-	6 3%

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Table 2
Published voting intention figures:- 8th March 2005

	<u>Total</u>
Conservative	32%
Labour	39%
Liberal Democrat/ Liberal	20%
Scottish National Party/SNP	2%
Plaid Cymru	1%
Other	7%

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Table 3

Q.6 Some people who generally vote Labour say they are quite disappointed with Tony Blair and things the government has done - or not done - since he last election and that, though they won't vote for another party, when it comes to it they may not vote at all this time. Does this apply to you?

Base: All respondents intending to vote Labour

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	Total	Male	Fe-male	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid-lands	North Eng-land	Wales & South West	Scot-land	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Demo-crat	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	440	236	204	47	70	109	77	53	84	131	89	63	157	104	106	141	50	39	-	440	-	90
Weighted base	417	219	197	51	67	90	73	47	88	104	107	84	122	96	97	137	46	41	-	417	-	87
Definitely applies to me	47 11%	25 11%	22 11%	6 12%	11 17%	11 12%	5 6%	3 7%	11 12%	8 8%	9 9%	9 11%	20 16%	12 12%	6 6%	17 12%	7 16%	5 12%	-	47 11%	-	7 8%
May apply to me	61 15%	25 12%	36 18%	12 23%	9 13%	21 23%	10 14%	4 9%	5 6%	10 10%	23 22%	16 20%	11 9%	15 15%	16 16%	21 15%	5 10%	6 14%	-	61 15%	-	31 35%
Definitely doesn't apply to me	301 72%	166 75%	136 69%	32 62%	44 66%	58 64%	57 78%	40 85%	71 80%	83 80%	72 67%	58 69%	89 73%	69 71%	74 76%	95 69%	34 74%	30 74%	-	301 72%	-	46 53%
Don't know	7 2%	4 2%	4 2%	1 2%	2 3%	1 1%	1 2%	-	2 2%	2 2%	3 3%	-	2 2%	1 1%	1 2%	5 3%	-	-	-	7 2%	-	3 4%

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Table 4

Q.6b Which one of the following statements best describes your main reason for voting Conservative?

Base: All respondents intending to vote Conservative

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex		Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention				
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid-lands	North Eng-land	Wales & South West	Scot-land	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Demo-crat	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	286	149	137	18	39	51	47	59	72	95	68	42	81	85	94	51	46	10	286	-	-	47
Weighted base	302	160	142	19	49	47	47	61	79	83	92	56	72	93	97	52	50	10	302	-	-	49
I want to vote against the Labour government and the Conservatives are the main opposition to it	104 34%	55 35%	49 34%	6 32%	17 35%	15 32%	21 44%	25 41%	20 26%	34 41%	32 35%	18 32%	20 28%	29 31%	33 34%	19 38%	17 33%	6 55%	104 34%	-	-	20 41%
I always vote Conservative	83 28%	43 27%	40 28%	7 38%	14 29%	15 31%	10 21%	15 25%	21 27%	28 34%	20 22%	16 28%	19 27%	32 34%	26 27%	10 19%	14 29%	1 12%	83 28%	-	-	16 32%
The Conservatives have the best policies and leaders overall	105 35%	55 34%	50 35%	5 25%	15 30%	15 31%	16 35%	18 29%	36 46%	18 22%	35 38%	20 36%	31 44%	27 29%	37 38%	20 38%	18 36%	3 33%	105 35%	-	-	10 21%
None of the above	10 3%	7 4%	4 2%	1 5%	3 6%	3 5%	-	3 5%	1 1%	2 2%	5 5%	3 5%	1 1%	5 5%	1 1%	3 5%	1 3%	-	10 3%	-	-	3 5%

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Table 5

Q.6c Which of the following most closely describes how you feel about The Labour Party?

Base: All respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid-lands	North Eng-land	Wales & South West	Scot-land	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Democ-rat	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	1524	729	795	141	245	353	264	239	282	468	346	237	473	406	401	365	218	134	286	440	201	460
Weighted base	1524	732	792	168	259	305	259	229	304	381	442	320	381	406	397	375	212	134	302	417	202	466
NET: In favour	511 34%	265 36%	246 31%	60 36%	86 33%	112 37%	81 31%	65 28%	107 35%	125 33%	133 30%	98 31%	155 41%	112 28%	125 31%	160 43%	60 28%	54 40%	10 3%	367 88%	29 14%	133 28%
Strongly in favour	(5) 187 12%	98 13%	88 11%	15 9%	29 11%	36 12%	28 11%	23 10%	55 18%	42 11%	41 9%	37 12%	66 17%	44 11%	43 11%	61 16%	18 8%	21 16%	1 *	167 40%	3 1%	22 5%
In favour	(4) 324 21%	166 23%	158 20%	45 27%	57 22%	76 25%	52 20%	42 18%	52 17%	83 22%	93 21%	60 19%	88 23%	68 17%	82 21%	100 27%	42 20%	33 24%	9 3%	200 48%	26 13%	111 24%
Neither in favour, nor against	(3) 406 27%	169 23%	237 30%	56 34%	89 34%	86 28%	75 29%	47 21%	52 17%	97 25%	129 29%	99 31%	80 21%	120 30%	100 25%	99 27%	57 27%	30 22%	42 14%	32 8%	58 29%	166 36%
Against	(2) 221 14%	100 14%	121 15%	20 12%	33 13%	50 16%	37 14%	42 18%	39 13%	50 13%	85 19%	43 13%	43 11%	69 17%	56 14%	39 10%	33 15%	23 17%	83 28%	9 2%	51 25%	77 17%
Strongly against	(1) 334 22%	175 24%	159 20%	28 17%	44 17%	49 16%	55 21%	69 30%	89 29%	96 25%	82 19%	70 22%	85 22%	92 23%	105 26%	60 16%	59 28%	18 14%	166 55%	7 2%	61 30%	75 16%
NET: Against	555 36%	275 38%	280 35%	48 29%	77 30%	99 32%	92 36%	111 49%	128 42%	147 38%	168 38%	113 35%	128 33%	161 40%	161 41%	99 27%	91 43%	42 31%	249 82%	16 4%	113 56%	152 33%
Don't know/ refused	52 3%	23 3%	29 4%	4 2%	7 3%	8 3%	11 4%	5 2%	18 6%	13 3%	12 3%	10 3%	19 5%	13 3%	11 3%	15 4%	4 2%	9 6%	1 *	1 *	3 1%	15 3%
Mean	2.87	2.88	2.86	3.00	2.97	3.00	2.84	2.59	2.81	2.79	2.82	2.84	3.02	2.75	2.75	3.17	2.65	3.12	1.66	4.23	2.29	2.84
Standard deviation	1.33	1.38	1.28	1.20	1.23	1.25	1.30	1.37	1.52	1.35	1.24	1.31	1.43	1.29	1.36	1.31	1.31	1.30	0.85	0.82	1.09	1.12
Standard error	0.03	0.05	0.05	0.10	0.08	0.07	0.08	0.09	0.09	0.06	0.07	0.09	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.09	0.12	0.05	0.04	0.08	0.05	

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Table 6

Q.6c Which of the following most closely describes how you feel about The Conservative Party?

Base: All respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid-lands	North Eng-land	Wales & South West	Scot-land	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Dem-ocrat	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	1524	729	795	141	245	353	264	239	282	468	346	237	473	406	401	365	218	134	286	440	201	460
Weighted base	1524	732	792	168	259	305	259	229	304	381	442	320	381	406	397	375	212	134	302	417	202	466
NET: In favour	397	207	190	33	57	55	66	80	105	94	110	86	107	116	128	75	63	14	274	24	23	81
	26%	28%	24%	20%	22%	18%	26%	35%	34%	25%	25%	27%	28%	28%	32%	20%	30%	11%	91%	6%	11%	17%
Strongly in favour	(5) 150	86	64	13	21	24	21	27	45	36	41	30	43	38	53	30	25	5	128	3	9	11
	10%	12%	8%	8%	8%	8%	8%	12%	15%	9%	9%	9%	11%	9%	13%	8%	12%	4%	42%	1%	4%	2%
In favour	(4) 246	121	125	20	36	32	46	53	59	58	68	56	64	78	76	46	38	9	146	21	14	71
	16%	17%	16%	12%	14%	10%	18%	23%	19%	15%	15%	18%	17%	19%	19%	12%	18%	7%	48%	5%	7%	15%
Neither in favour, nor against	(3) 485	197	288	71	109	115	75	56	59	122	152	110	101	148	120	122	57	38	26	107	50	225
	32%	27%	36%	42%	42%	38%	29%	25%	19%	32%	34%	34%	27%	36%	30%	33%	27%	28%	9%	26%	25%	48%
Against	(2) 264	131	133	30	45	52	47	48	42	70	77	55	62	58	59	68	47	32	1	110	66	84
	17%	18%	17%	18%	17%	17%	18%	21%	14%	18%	17%	17%	16%	14%	15%	18%	22%	24%	*	27%	32%	18%
Strongly against	(1) 314	176	138	25	42	73	59	39	77	80	90	57	87	70	73	92	38	41	1	167	60	55
	21%	24%	17%	15%	16%	24%	23%	17%	25%	21%	20%	18%	23%	17%	18%	25%	18%	31%	*	40%	30%	12%
NET: Against	578	306	272	55	87	124	106	87	119	150	167	112	149	128	132	160	85	73	2	277	126	139
	38%	42%	34%	33%	34%	41%	41%	38%	39%	39%	38%	35%	39%	31%	33%	43%	40%	55%	1%	67%	62%	30%
Don't know/ refused	64	21	43	9	6	11	12	5	22	14	14	12	24	14	17	17	8	8	-	9	3	20
	4%	3%	5%	5%	2%	3%	5%	2%	7%	4%	3%	4%	6%	4%	4%	4%	4%	6%	-	2%	1%	4%
Mean	2.76	2.73	2.79	2.79	2.80	2.60	2.69	2.91	2.84	2.73	2.75	2.83	2.76	2.89	2.94	2.59	2.83	2.25	4.32	1.98	2.22	2.77
Standard deviation	1.25	1.33	1.18	1.11	1.13	1.20	1.25	1.28	1.44	1.24	1.23	1.21	1.32	1.20	1.29	1.23	1.28	1.12	0.67	0.97	1.09	0.94
Standard error	0.03	0.05	0.04	0.10	0.07	0.07	0.08	0.08	0.09	0.06	0.07	0.08	0.06	0.06	0.07	0.07	0.09	0.10	0.04	0.05	0.08	0.04

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Table 7

Q.6c Which of the following most closely describes how you feel about The Liberal Democrat Party?

Base: All respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention				
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid-lands	North Eng-land	Wales & South West	Scot-land	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Dem-ocrat	Swing Voters	
Unweighted base	1524	729	795	141	245	353	264	239	282	468	346	237	473	406	401	365	218	134	286	440	201	460	
Weighted base	1524	732	792	168	259	305	259	229	304	381	442	320	381	406	397	375	212	134	302	417	202	466	
NET: In favour	444 29%	200 27%	244 31%	51 31%	73 28%	90 30%	78 30%	68 30%	83 27%	118 31%	146 33%	71 22%	109 29%	118 29%	125 32%	99 26%	69 32%	32 24%	51 17%	94 22%	179 89%	142 30%	
Strongly in favour	(5) 7%	110 6%	47 8%	64 8%	13 8%	19 7%	17 6%	18 7%	19 8%	25 8%	30 8%	29 7%	17 5%	34 9%	28 7%	21 5%	39 10%	19 9%	4 3%	5 2%	20 5%	72 36%	22 5%
In favour	(4) 22%	334 21%	153 23%	180 23%	39 23%	54 21%	73 24%	61 23%	49 22%	58 19%	88 23%	117 26%	54 17%	74 20%	90 22%	105 26%	60 16%	50 23%	29 22%	46 15%	73 18%	107 53%	120 26%
Neither in favour, nor against	(3) 43%	662 41%	303 45%	359 48%	81 48%	134 52%	135 44%	123 47%	95 42%	94 31%	166 43%	201 46%	153 48%	142 37%	179 44%	166 42%	176 47%	86 40%	55 41%	144 48%	178 43%	21 10%	222 48%
Against	(2) 13%	191 14%	101 11%	90 10%	17 10%	26 10%	37 12%	25 10%	31 14%	55 18%	39 10%	48 11%	45 14%	60 16%	48 12%	43 11%	47 13%	23 11%	30 22%	54 18%	73 18%	1 *	46 10%
Strongly against	(1) 10%	149 13%	92 7%	57 6%	10 6%	16 6%	27 9%	20 8%	27 12%	48 16%	40 10%	32 7%	34 11%	43 11%	40 10%	40 9%	35 11%	24 11%	10 7%	47 16%	54 13%	2 1%	25 5%
NET: Against	340 22%	193 26%	146 18%	28 17%	42 16%	64 21%	46 18%	57 25%	102 34%	78 21%	80 18%	79 25%	102 27%	88 22%	83 21%	82 22%	47 22%	39 29%	101 33%	127 30%	2 1%	71 15%	
Don't know/ refused	79 5%	36 5%	43 5%	8 5%	10 4%	16 5%	12 5%	7 3%	25 8%	18 5%	15 3%	17 5%	28 7%	21 5%	23 6%	18 5%	11 5%	7 5%	6 2%	18 4%	-	31 7%	
Mean	3.05	2.94	3.14	3.16	3.13	3.06	3.12	3.02	2.85	3.08	3.15	2.92	2.99	3.05	3.06	3.06	3.08	2.90	2.69	2.83	4.22	3.15	
Standard deviation	1.04	1.08	0.99	0.95	0.93	1.00	0.98	1.09	1.20	1.06	0.97	1.00	1.12	1.03	1.02	1.06	1.11	0.93	0.97	1.04	0.71	0.89	
Standard error	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.08	0.06	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.07	0.05	0.05	0.07	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.08	0.08	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.04	

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Table 8

Q.7 Please say which one of the following statements you most agree with?

Base: All "Split A" respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid-lands	North Eng-land	Wales & South West	Scot-land	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Democ-rat	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	756	369	387	60	119	186	133	112	146	214	176	129	237	201	198	185	107	65	148	228	103	228
Weighted base	765	372	392	66	130	164	130	110	164	179	225	178	183	203	198	191	107	66	156	216	106	236
I am satisfied with the Labour Government overall	156 20%	75 20%	80 20%	16 24%	25 19%	34 20%	22 17%	16 14%	43 26%	30 17%	40 18%	37 21%	49 27%	38 18%	26 13%	58 31%	19 18%	15 22%	2 1%	108 50%	13 12%	37 16%
I am disappointed in the Labour Government overall, but I still prefer them to a Conservative Government	261 34%	124 33%	137 35%	23 34%	51 40%	69 42%	51 39%	30 27%	37 23%	63 35%	85 38%	56 31%	57 31%	56 28%	79 40%	71 37%	32 30%	24 36%	10 6%	95 44%	57 54%	101 43%
I am disappointed in the Labour Government overall and I would rather have a Conservative Government	244 32%	115 31%	129 33%	24 36%	35 27%	38 23%	35 27%	50 46%	61 37%	61 34%	70 31%	56 32%	56 31%	79 39%	64 33%	38 20%	45 42%	18 28%	141 90%	11 5%	22 21%	67 28%
None of these	62 8%	37 10%	24 6%	2 3%	11 8%	14 8%	16 12%	10 9%	9 6%	16 9%	20 9%	16 9%	10 5%	17 8%	21 11%	10 5%	8 7%	6 10%	1 1%	1 *	11 10%	10 4%
Don't know	42 5%	20 5%	22 5%	3 4%	7 6%	10 6%	5 4%	4 4%	13 8%	9 5%	10 5%	12 7%	11 6%	14 7%	8 4%	13 7%	4 3%	3 4%	2 2%	2 1%	3 2%	21 9%

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Table 9

Q.8 Which of these statements do you most agree with?**Base: All "Split B" respondents****Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights**

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	Total	Male	Fe- male	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid- lands	North Eng- land	Wales & South West	Scot- land	Con- ser- vative	Labour	Lib- eral Demo- crat	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	768	360	408	81	126	167	131	127	136	254	170	108	236	205	203	180	111	69	138	212	98	232
Weighted base	759	359	400	101	129	140	129	118	141	203	217	142	198	203	199	183	105	68	146	201	96	230
I think Tony Blair has been a good Prime Minister overall	240 32%	128 36%	113 28%	41 41%	43 33%	45 32%	38 29%	30 26%	43 31%	60 30%	69 32%	44 31%	68 34%	62 31%	59 30%	61 33%	34 32%	24 35%	12 8%	127 63%	20 20%	70 31%
I think Tony Blair has not been a good Prime Minister overall but I'd still prefer him as Prime Minister than Michael Howard	218 29%	98 27%	120 30%	32 31%	40 31%	51 36%	41 32%	27 23%	27 20%	62 31%	59 27%	51 36%	45 23%	64 31%	46 23%	53 29%	27 25%	29 42%	20 14%	62 31%	40 42%	74 32%
I think Tony Blair has not been a good Prime Minister overall and I'd prefer to see Michael Howard as Prime Minister	180 24%	94 26%	86 21%	21 20%	22 17%	23 16%	31 24%	37 31%	47 33%	47 23%	45 21%	33 24%	54 27%	45 22%	66 33%	38 21%	25 23%	7 10%	100 68%	11 6%	22 23%	48 21%
None of these	72 9%	22 6%	50 12%	4 4%	12 10%	14 10%	12 10%	13 11%	16 11%	21 10%	24 11%	8 6%	18 9%	21 10%	15 7%	16 9%	14 14%	6 8%	6 4%	- -	10 10%	17 8%
Don't know	49 6%	17 5%	32 8%	4 4%	12 9%	8 6%	7 6%	11 9%	7 5%	12 6%	19 9%	5 4%	13 7%	10 5%	14 7%	15 8%	6 6%	4 5%	9 6%	1 *	4 4%	20 9%

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Table 10

Q.9 With the general election expected fairly soon the main political parties have already started to campaign. Based on what you have seen and heard so far do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

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Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid-lands	North Eng-land	Wales & South West	Scot-land	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Dem-o-crats	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	756	369	387	60	119	186	133	112	146	214	176	129	237	201	198	185	107	65	148	228	103	228
Weighted base	765	372	392	66	130	164	130	110	164	179	225	178	183	203	198	191	107	66	156	216	106	236
<u>The parties have mainly just been attacking each other rather than explaining their policies.</u>																						
Agree	611	283	328	58	101	132	103	89	129	141	179	138	153	152	169	153	87	49	120	178	83	191
	80%	76%	84%	87%	77%	80%	79%	81%	79%	79%	79%	78%	84%	75%	86%	80%	82%	75%	77%	82%	78%	81%
Disagree	125	75	50	7	21	28	23	21	25	33	43	28	21	41	26	30	16	12	30	34	23	34
	16%	20%	13%	11%	16%	17%	18%	19%	15%	18%	19%	16%	11%	20%	13%	16%	15%	19%	19%	16%	22%	14%
Don't know	28	14	14	1	8	5	4	-	10	5	3	12	9	11	2	8	3	4	6	5	-	10
	4%	4%	4%	2%	6%	3%	3%	-	6%	3%	1%	7%	5%	5%	1%	4%	3%	6%	4%	2%	-	4%
<u>I have a clearer idea of the policies of the main political parties than I did a few weeks ago</u>																						
Agree	264	144	120	16	34	50	36	45	83	55	68	59	81	64	71	68	38	23	66	96	39	65
	35%	39%	31%	24%	26%	31%	27%	41%	51%	31%	30%	33%	44%	31%	36%	36%	36%	36%	43%	44%	37%	28%
Disagree	468	215	253	46	91	110	87	63	70	118	149	107	95	128	119	114	65	41	82	114	64	161
	61%	58%	64%	70%	70%	67%	67%	57%	43%	66%	66%	60%	52%	63%	60%	60%	61%	62%	53%	53%	60%	68%
Don't know	33	13	20	4	5	4	7	3	11	5	8	13	7	11	8	9	3	2	7	7	3	9
	4%	4%	5%	6%	4%	2%	5%	2%	7%	3%	4%	7%	4%	6%	4%	5%	3%	2%	5%	3%	2%	4%
<u>There doesn't seem much difference between the parties anymore</u>																						
Agree	442	209	232	39	82	114	69	52	85	102	128	110	101	117	113	112	62	38	73	109	71	158
	58%	56%	59%	59%	63%	69%	53%	48%	52%	57%	57%	62%	55%	58%	57%	58%	58%	58%	47%	50%	67%	67%
Disagree	309	156	153	24	43	48	59	58	77	76	95	63	75	82	83	74	44	26	81	106	33	73
	40%	42%	39%	36%	33%	29%	46%	52%	47%	42%	42%	36%	41%	40%	42%	39%	41%	40%	52%	49%	31%	31%
Don't know	14	7	7	3	5	2	2	-	2	1	2	4	7	5	2	5	1	2	1	2	2	5
	2%	2%	2%	4%	4%	1%	1%	-	1%	1%	1%	3%	4%	2%	1%	3%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	2%

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	Sex		Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention				
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Weighted base	765	372	392	66	130	164	130	110	164	179	225	178	183	203	198	191	107	66	156	216	106	236
<u>I take an active interest in what the political parties say in their campaigns</u>																						
Agree	420	213	207	21	68	96	76	64	95	118	119	81	102	111	101	104	68	36	99	138	57	125
	55%	57%	53%	31%	52%	59%	58%	58%	58%	66%	53%	45%	56%	55%	51%	54%	63%	55%	63%	64%	53%	53%
Disagree	337	156	181	44	62	68	52	45	66	61	105	96	76	87	95	87	39	29	56	77	49	108
	44%	42%	46%	66%	48%	41%	40%	41%	40%	34%	47%	54%	41%	43%	48%	45%	37%	45%	36%	36%	46%	46%
Don't know	8	3	5	2	-	*	2	1	3	-	1	2	5	5	2	*	-	-	1	*	1	2
	1%	1%	1%	3%	-	*	1%	1%	2%	-	*	1%	3%	3%	1%	*	-	-	1%	*	1%	1%

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Table 11

Q.10 There has been an argument this week between the political parties about the case of Mrs Margaret Dixon who says that an operation on her shoulder has been postponed seven times. Please say if you agree or disagree with the following statements?

Base: All "Split B" respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	Total	Male	Fe- male	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid- lands	North Eng- land	Wales & South West	Scot- land	Con- ser- vative	Labour	Lib- eral Demo- crat	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	768	360	408	81	126	167	131	127	136	254	170	108	236	205	203	180	111	69	138	212	98	232
Weighted base	759	359	400	101	129	140	129	118	141	203	217	142	198	203	199	183	105	68	146	201	96	230
<u>Cases like this are now very rare in the NHS, which is improving overall.</u>																						
Agree	337 44%	160 45%	176 44%	52 52%	60 47%	63 45%	50 39%	42 35%	69 49%	86 43%	101 46%	59 42%	91 46%	90 45%	79 39%	91 50%	39 37%	37 54%	39 27%	130 65%	47 49%	99 43%
Disagree	338 44%	159 44%	178 45%	36 36%	54 42%	59 42%	64 50%	66 56%	58 41%	87 43%	89 41%	74 52%	88 44%	97 48%	96 48%	69 38%	53 51%	22 33%	90 61%	54 27%	39 40%	100 43%
Don't know	85 11%	40 11%	45 11%	13 13%	15 11%	18 13%	15 11%	11 9%	14 10%	29 14%	28 13%	9 6%	20 10%	15 8%	25 12%	23 13%	13 12%	9 13%	17 12%	16 8%	10 10%	31 13%
<u>If the Conservatives were in government their policies for the NHS would bring an end to cases like this.</u>																						
Agree	169 22%	89 25%	80 20%	30 29%	31 24%	22 16%	17 13%	27 23%	42 30%	29 14%	50 23%	36 25%	54 27%	45 22%	52 26%	39 21%	24 23%	9 13%	72 49%	27 13%	19 20%	51 22%
Disagree	486 64%	233 65%	253 63%	59 58%	80 62%	96 68%	96 74%	78 66%	79 56%	146 72%	138 64%	89 63%	113 57%	128 63%	128 64%	114 62%	64 61%	52 76%	52 35%	157 78%	69 72%	150 65%
Don't know	104 14%	36 10%	68 17%	13 13%	19 15%	22 16%	16 13%	14 12%	20 14%	27 13%	28 13%	17 12%	31 16%	30 15%	19 10%	30 16%	17 16%	7 10%	22 15%	17 8%	8 9%	29 13%
<u>Politicians are being cynical when they raise cases like this and do so for party advantage, not because they really care about the individual's suffering</u>																						
Agree	548 72%	259 72%	290 72%	66 65%	91 70%	105 75%	106 82%	82 69%	99 71%	160 79%	161 74%	92 65%	135 68%	147 73%	133 67%	144 78%	77 73%	47 69%	99 68%	144 72%	75 78%	177 77%
Disagree	159 21%	84 23%	74 19%	24 24%	30 23%	26 18%	21 16%	29 24%	29 21%	35 17%	37 17%	41 29%	45 23%	41 20%	55 27%	28 15%	18 17%	17 25%	37 25%	43 21%	19 20%	45 19%
Don't know	53 7%	16 5%	36 9%	11 11%	8 7%	10 7%	3 2%	8 7%	12 9%	8 4%	19 9%	8 6%	17 9%	15 7%	12 6%	12 7%	10 10%	4 5%	11 7%	13 7%	1 1%	8 3%

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Base: All "Split B" respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	Total	Male	Fe- male	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid- lands	North Eng- land	Wales & South West	Scot- land	Con- ser- vative	Labour	Lib- eral Demo- crat	Swing Voters
Weighted base	759	359	400	101	129	140	129	118	141	203	217	142	198	203	199	183	105	68	146	201	96	230
<u>Mrs Dixon's operation is not very serious and it is right that other more serious cases should get treatment before her.</u>																						
Agree	417 55%	201 56%	217 54%	57 57%	77 59%	81 57%	65 50%	59 50%	79 56%	110 54%	114 52%	84 59%	110 56%	112 56%	106 53%	103 56%	57 54%	40 58%	77 53%	121 60%	59 62%	121 53%
Disagree	255 34%	123 34%	132 33%	31 31%	35 27%	46 33%	49 38%	49 41%	44 31%	66 33%	73 34%	50 35%	65 33%	69 34%	70 35%	59 32%	36 34%	20 29%	58 40%	60 30%	30 31%	79 34%
Don't know	87 11%	36 10%	51 13%	12 12%	17 14%	14 10%	15 12%	11 9%	18 13%	26 13%	30 14%	8 6%	23 12%	21 10%	23 12%	22 12%	13 12%	9 13%	11 8%	20 10%	7 7%	30 13%

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Table 12

Q.11 Thinking about your own personal experience of using public services like the NHS, schools and transport, do you think you receive a good service or a bad service?

NHS

Base: All "Split A" respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid-lands	North Eng-land	Wales & South West	Scot-land	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Democ-rat	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	756	369	387	60	119	186	133	112	146	214	176	129	237	201	198	185	107	65	148	228	103	228
Weighted base	765	372	392	66	130	164	130	110	164	179	225	178	183	203	198	191	107	66	156	216	106	236
NET: Good service	561	259	302	47	96	128	96	75	120	138	164	122	137	147	143	151	73	47	100	173	77	170
	73%	70%	77%	70%	74%	78%	74%	68%	73%	77%	73%	69%	75%	72%	72%	79%	69%	72%	64%	80%	73%	72%
Very good service	(4) 203	97	106	19	16	43	30	28	66	42	43	53	65	43	57	58	33	12	26	76	28	55
	27%	26%	27%	29%	12%	26%	23%	25%	40%	24%	19%	30%	36%	21%	29%	30%	31%	19%	17%	35%	27%	23%
Somewhat good service	(3) 358	163	196	27	81	84	66	47	54	96	121	70	72	104	86	93	41	35	74	97	49	115
	47%	44%	50%	41%	62%	51%	51%	42%	33%	54%	54%	39%	39%	51%	44%	48%	38%	53%	47%	45%	46%	49%
Somewhat bad service	(2) 99	56	44	8	18	19	14	19	21	20	34	22	24	27	25	23	14	10	21	24	19	37
	13%	15%	11%	13%	14%	12%	11%	17%	13%	11%	15%	12%	13%	13%	13%	12%	13%	16%	14%	11%	18%	16%
Very bad service	(1) 79	40	39	8	14	13	14	12	17	16	21	27	15	26	19	11	17	6	29	13	8	23
	10%	11%	10%	11%	11%	8%	12%	11%	10%	9%	9%	15%	8%	13%	10%	6%	16%	9%	19%	6%	8%	10%
NET: Bad service	179	96	83	16	32	33	30	31	37	36	55	49	39	54	44	34	30	16	50	37	28	60
	23%	26%	21%	24%	25%	20%	23%	28%	23%	20%	24%	27%	21%	26%	22%	18%	28%	25%	32%	17%	26%	25%
Don't know	25	17	8	4	2	4	4	5	6	4	7	7	7	3	11	6	3	2	5	6	1	6
	3%	5%	2%	6%	1%	2%	3%	4%	4%	2%	3%	4%	4%	2%	6%	3%	3%	3%	4%	3%	1%	2%
Mean	2.93	2.89	2.96	2.94	2.76	2.98	2.88	2.86	3.08	2.94	2.85	2.87	3.06	2.81	2.97	3.07	2.86	2.84	2.65	3.13	2.92	2.88
Standard deviation	0.91	0.93	0.89	0.97	0.81	0.85	0.92	0.94	0.99	0.85	0.85	1.02	0.93	0.92	0.92	0.83	1.04	0.85	0.99	0.84	0.88	0.89
Standard error	0.03	0.05	0.05	0.13	0.07	0.06	0.08	0.09	0.08	0.06	0.06	0.09	0.06	0.07	0.07	0.06	0.10	0.11	0.08	0.06	0.09	0.06

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Table 13

Q.11 Thinking about your own personal experience of using public services like the NHS, schools and transport, do you think you receive a good service or a bad service?

Schools

Base: All "Split A" respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid-lands	North Eng-land	Wales & South West	Scot-land	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Democ-rat	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	756	369	387	60	119	186	133	112	146	214	176	129	237	201	198	185	107	65	148	228	103	228
Weighted base	765	372	392	66	130	164	130	110	164	179	225	178	183	203	198	191	107	66	156	216	106	236
NET: Good service	455	215	240	44	83	118	86	53	71	111	138	104	102	103	129	119	62	43	75	166	60	145
	60%	58%	61%	67%	64%	72%	66%	48%	43%	62%	61%	58%	56%	51%	65%	62%	58%	65%	48%	77%	57%	62%
Very good service	(4) 173	75	97	22	27	43	29	14	38	37	47	44	45	34	55	44	23	17	27	72	18	46
	23%	20%	25%	33%	21%	26%	23%	13%	23%	20%	21%	25%	25%	17%	28%	23%	22%	25%	17%	33%	17%	19%
Somewhat good service	(3) 283	140	143	22	57	75	57	39	33	75	91	60	57	69	74	75	39	26	48	94	43	100
	37%	37%	36%	33%	44%	46%	44%	35%	20%	42%	40%	34%	31%	34%	38%	39%	36%	40%	31%	44%	40%	42%
Somewhat bad service	(2) 103	54	49	8	15	19	13	20	28	21	32	29	21	33	23	24	14	9	25	15	24	35
	14%	15%	13%	12%	11%	12%	10%	18%	17%	12%	14%	16%	12%	16%	12%	13%	13%	13%	16%	7%	23%	15%
Very bad service	(1) 58	26	33	5	11	11	10	9	13	18	9	17	14	19	11	14	12	2	27	6	5	15
	8%	7%	8%	8%	8%	7%	8%	8%	8%	10%	4%	10%	8%	9%	6%	7%	12%	3%	17%	3%	4%	6%
NET: Bad service	162	80	82	13	25	30	23	29	40	39	41	46	36	53	34	38	26	11	52	20	29	50
	21%	21%	21%	20%	19%	18%	18%	27%	25%	22%	18%	26%	19%	26%	17%	20%	25%	16%	33%	9%	27%	21%
Don't know	148	78	70	9	21	16	20	28	53	29	46	28	45	48	34	35	19	12	29	29	17	40
	19%	21%	18%	13%	16%	10%	16%	25%	32%	16%	20%	16%	25%	24%	17%	18%	18%	18%	18%	14%	16%	17%
Mean	2.92	2.90	2.95	3.07	2.92	3.01	2.96	2.71	2.86	2.87	2.98	2.87	2.97	2.76	3.06	2.95	2.83	3.07	2.60	3.25	2.82	2.90
Standard deviation	0.91	0.88	0.93	0.95	0.88	0.85	0.87	0.89	1.02	0.92	0.81	0.96	0.95	0.94	0.87	0.89	0.98	0.80	1.05	0.73	0.81	0.84
Standard error	0.04	0.05	0.05	0.13	0.09	0.07	0.08	0.10	0.10	0.07	0.07	0.09	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.10	0.11	0.10	0.05	0.09	0.06

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Absolutes/col percents

Table 14

Q.11 Thinking about your own personal experience of using public services like the NHS, schools and transport, do you think you receive a good service or a bad service?

Transport

Base: All "Split A" respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid-lands	North Eng-land	Wales & South West	Scot-land	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Dem-ocrat	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	756	369	387	60	119	186	133	112	146	214	176	129	237	201	198	185	107	65	148	228	103	228
Weighted base	765	372	392	66	130	164	130	110	164	179	225	178	183	203	198	191	107	66	156	216	106	236
NET: Good service	371	176	195	37	66	76	64	45	84	77	111	82	101	98	88	98	43	44	68	133	39	106
	49%	47%	50%	55%	50%	46%	49%	41%	51%	43%	49%	46%	55%	48%	44%	51%	40%	67%	44%	61%	37%	45%
Very good service	(4) 103	51	52	16	18	12	12	10	35	20	26	17	41	27	23	27	15	12	14	41	10	25
	13%	14%	13%	24%	14%	7%	9%	9%	21%	11%	12%	9%	22%	13%	11%	14%	14%	18%	9%	19%	10%	11%
Somewhat good service	(3) 268	125	143	21	48	64	52	35	48	57	85	66	61	71	65	71	28	33	54	92	29	81
	35%	33%	37%	31%	37%	39%	40%	32%	30%	32%	38%	37%	33%	35%	33%	37%	26%	50%	35%	42%	27%	34%
Somewhat bad service	(2) 172	78	94	12	28	48	25	29	29	51	51	43	27	51	45	38	24	13	35	42	29	56
	22%	21%	24%	18%	22%	29%	20%	27%	18%	28%	23%	24%	15%	25%	23%	20%	23%	21%	22%	19%	27%	24%
Very bad service	(1) 156	90	66	15	30	30	26	25	31	37	45	39	35	39	41	37	31	7	39	27	29	51
	20%	24%	17%	22%	23%	18%	20%	22%	19%	21%	20%	22%	19%	19%	21%	20%	29%	11%	25%	13%	27%	21%
NET: Bad service	327	167	160	26	58	78	52	54	59	88	96	82	61	90	86	76	55	21	74	69	58	107
	43%	45%	41%	40%	45%	47%	40%	49%	36%	49%	43%	46%	33%	44%	44%	40%	51%	31%	47%	32%	54%	45%
Don't know	66	29	37	3	6	10	14	11	21	14	18	14	20	15	23	18	9	1	14	15	9	23
	9%	8%	9%	5%	5%	6%	11%	10%	13%	8%	8%	8%	11%	8%	12%	9%	9%	1%	9%	7%	9%	10%
Mean	2.46	2.40	2.51	2.60	2.43	2.38	2.43	2.31	2.62	2.36	2.44	2.37	2.66	2.46	2.40	2.50	2.28	2.75	2.31	2.73	2.21	2.38
Standard deviation	1.00	1.03	0.96	1.11	1.02	0.88	0.96	0.96	1.08	0.96	0.97	0.95	1.08	0.98	0.99	1.00	1.07	0.88	0.98	0.94	1.00	0.98
Standard error	0.04	0.06	0.05	0.15	0.10	0.07	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.07	0.08	0.09	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.08	0.11	0.11	0.08	0.06	0.10	0.07

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Absolutes/col percents

Table 15

Q.12 Thinking about your impression of how well public services like the NHS, schools and transport are delivered overall nationally, in Britain as a whole, do you think they currently provide a good service or a bad service overall?

NHS

Base: All "Split B" respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid-lands	North Eng-land	Wales & South West	Scot-land	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Democ-rat	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	768	360	408	81	126	167	131	127	136	254	170	108	236	205	203	180	111	69	138	212	98	232
Weighted base	759	359	400	101	129	140	129	118	141	203	217	142	198	203	199	183	105	68	146	201	96	230
NET: Good service	488	231	258	64	78	93	75	79	100	122	152	89	125	131	127	124	64	44	79	155	71	154
	64%	64%	64%	63%	61%	66%	58%	66%	71%	60%	70%	63%	63%	64%	63%	68%	60%	64%	54%	77%	74%	67%
Very good service	(+2) 184	87	97	13	32	27	23	34	55	38	36	41	68	52	39	53	25	15	21	76	25	47
	24%	24%	24%	13%	25%	19%	18%	29%	39%	19%	17%	29%	35%	26%	20%	29%	24%	22%	14%	38%	27%	20%
Somewhat good service	(+1) 304	143	161	51	46	66	52	45	44	84	116	48	56	78	87	71	39	29	58	79	45	107
	40%	40%	40%	51%	36%	47%	40%	38%	32%	41%	53%	34%	28%	39%	44%	39%	37%	42%	40%	39%	47%	46%
Neither good nor bad service	(0) 129	55	74	21	24	19	29	18	17	40	35	20	35	32	33	26	24	14	23	29	13	32
	17%	15%	18%	21%	18%	14%	23%	15%	12%	20%	16%	14%	17%	16%	17%	14%	22%	20%	16%	14%	14%	14%
Somewhat bad service	(-1) 91	48	42	9	19	17	18	13	14	29	19	19	24	27	25	21	11	6	30	10	6	28
	12%	14%	11%	9%	15%	12%	14%	11%	10%	14%	9%	13%	12%	13%	13%	11%	11%	9%	21%	5%	6%	12%
Very bad service	(-2) 51	25	26	6	8	11	8	9	9	12	11	14	14	13	14	13	7	5	14	6	6	17
	7%	7%	7%	6%	6%	8%	6%	8%	7%	6%	5%	10%	7%	6%	7%	7%	7%	7%	10%	3%	6%	7%
NET: Bad service	142	74	69	16	27	28	25	22	24	41	30	33	39	40	40	34	18	11	45	16	12	44
	19%	20%	17%	16%	21%	20%	20%	19%	17%	20%	14%	23%	19%	20%	20%	18%	17%	16%	30%	8%	12%	19%
Mean	0.63	0.61	0.65	0.54	0.58	0.58	0.50	0.68	0.87	0.54	0.68	0.58	0.71	0.64	0.56	0.71	0.60	0.63	0.28	1.04	0.82	0.61
Standard deviation	1.17	1.19	1.15	1.04	1.19	1.16	1.12	1.22	1.23	1.12	1.02	1.31	1.26	1.18	1.15	1.20	1.16	1.14	1.22	1.00	1.09	1.15
Standard error	0.04	0.06	0.06	0.12	0.11	0.09	0.10	0.11	0.11	0.07	0.08	0.13	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.09	0.11	0.14	0.10	0.07	0.11	0.08

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Absolutes/col percents

Table 16

Q.12 Thinking about your impression of how well public services like the NHS, schools and transport are delivered overall nationally, in Britain as a whole, do you think they currently provide a good service or a bad service overall?

Schools

Base: All "Split B" respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	Total	Male	Fe- male	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid- lands	North Eng- land	Wales & South West	Scot- land	Con- ser- vative	Labour	Lib- eral Demo- crat	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	768	360	408	81	126	167	131	127	136	254	170	108	236	205	203	180	111	69	138	212	98	232
Weighted base	759	359	400	101	129	140	129	118	141	203	217	142	198	203	199	183	105	68	146	201	96	230
NET: Good service	391	185	206	60	75	78	63	50	65	96	117	81	97	89	111	101	52	38	52	132	53	112
	52%	52%	51%	59%	58%	56%	49%	42%	46%	48%	54%	57%	49%	44%	56%	55%	50%	56%	36%	66%	55%	49%
Very good service	(+2) 152	66	86	19	29	28	23	21	33	29	40	37	46	35	40	42	19	16	16	59	21	40
	20%	18%	21%	19%	22%	20%	18%	17%	23%	14%	18%	26%	23%	17%	20%	23%	18%	24%	11%	30%	22%	17%
Somewhat good service	(+1) 239	119	120	41	47	50	41	29	32	67	77	45	51	53	71	59	34	22	36	72	31	73
	32%	33%	30%	40%	36%	36%	31%	25%	23%	33%	36%	31%	26%	26%	36%	32%	32%	32%	24%	36%	33%	32%
Neither good nor bad service	(0) 195	87	108	23	32	26	32	39	44	53	46	33	63	65	47	43	26	14	49	45	19	69
	26%	24%	27%	22%	25%	18%	25%	33%	31%	26%	21%	23%	32%	32%	24%	24%	25%	21%	33%	23%	20%	30%
Somewhat bad service	(-1) 106	46	61	10	11	25	20	20	20	37	31	13	25	28	21	27	20	11	28	18	16	30
	14%	13%	15%	10%	8%	18%	16%	17%	14%	18%	14%	9%	13%	14%	10%	15%	19%	16%	19%	9%	17%	13%
Very bad service	(-2) 66	41	25	9	11	11	14	10	11	16	23	15	13	21	21	12	7	5	17	5	7	18
	9%	11%	6%	8%	8%	8%	11%	8%	8%	8%	10%	11%	6%	10%	10%	6%	7%	8%	12%	3%	8%	8%
NET: Bad service	173	87	86	18	22	37	34	30	32	53	54	28	38	49	41	39	27	16	45	24	24	49
	23%	24%	21%	18%	17%	26%	26%	25%	23%	26%	25%	20%	19%	24%	21%	21%	25%	24%	31%	12%	25%	21%
Mean	0.40	0.34	0.45	0.52	0.56	0.42	0.29	0.25	0.39	0.28	0.37	0.52	0.47	0.27	0.44	0.50	0.35	0.48	0.04	0.81	0.44	0.37
Standard deviation	1.20	1.24	1.17	1.16	1.17	1.22	1.24	1.18	1.22	1.15	1.23	1.26	1.17	1.21	1.22	1.19	1.17	1.23	1.17	1.05	1.23	1.15
Standard error	0.04	0.07	0.06	0.13	0.10	0.09	0.11	0.10	0.10	0.07	0.09	0.12	0.08	0.08	0.09	0.09	0.11	0.15	0.10	0.07	0.12	0.08

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Absolutes/col percents

Table 17

Q.12 Thinking about your impression of how well public services like the NHS, schools and transport are delivered overall nationally, in Britain as a whole, do you think they currently provide a good service or a bad service overall?

Transport

Base: All "Split B" respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid-lands	North Eng-land	Wales & South West	Scot-land	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Democ-rat	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	768	360	408	81	126	167	131	127	136	254	170	108	236	205	203	180	111	69	138	212	98	232
Weighted base	759	359	400	101	129	140	129	118	141	203	217	142	198	203	199	183	105	68	146	201	96	230
NET: Good service	288	130	158	48	60	50	42	35	53	65	88	56	79	77	75	68	37	31	34	112	36	90
	38%	36%	39%	47%	46%	36%	32%	30%	38%	32%	40%	40%	40%	38%	37%	35%	45%	23%	23%	56%	37%	39%
Very good service	(+2) 98	48	51	16	19	15	11	16	22	16	27	22	33	33	21	27	12	5	9	46	10	23
	13%	13%	13%	16%	14%	11%	8%	13%	16%	8%	12%	15%	17%	16%	11%	14%	11%	7%	6%	23%	11%	10%
Somewhat good service	(+1) 190	83	107	32	41	35	31	20	31	49	61	34	46	44	53	42	25	26	25	67	26	67
	25%	23%	27%	31%	32%	25%	24%	17%	22%	24%	28%	24%	23%	22%	27%	23%	23%	38%	17%	33%	27%	29%
Neither good nor bad service	(0) 148	59	89	17	21	27	23	23	37	40	41	20	46	32	42	47	19	9	34	37	9	37
	19%	16%	22%	17%	16%	19%	18%	19%	26%	20%	19%	14%	23%	16%	21%	25%	18%	13%	23%	19%	10%	16%
Somewhat bad service	(-1) 175	79	96	13	23	38	44	30	28	58	50	34	33	51	47	34	30	13	38	38	28	50
	23%	22%	24%	13%	17%	27%	34%	25%	20%	29%	23%	24%	17%	25%	24%	18%	29%	19%	26%	19%	30%	22%
Very bad service	(-2) 148	90	58	24	26	25	21	30	22	39	38	32	39	42	36	35	20	15	41	12	22	53
	20%	25%	14%	23%	20%	18%	16%	26%	16%	19%	18%	22%	20%	21%	18%	19%	19%	23%	28%	6%	23%	23%
NET: Bad service	323	170	154	36	49	63	65	60	50	97	88	66	73	93	83	68	50	29	79	51	51	103
	43%	47%	38%	36%	38%	45%	50%	51%	36%	48%	41%	46%	37%	46%	42%	37%	47%	42%	54%	25%	53%	45%
Mean	-0.11	-0.23	-0.01	0.04	0.03	-0.16	-0.26	-0.33	0.02	-0.27	-0.05	-0.14	*	-0.12	-0.12	-0.05	-0.20	-0.12	-0.53	0.47	-0.28	-0.18
Standard deviation	1.33	1.39	1.26	1.42	1.37	1.29	1.23	1.37	1.30	1.25	1.31	1.41	1.37	1.40	1.28	1.33	1.31	1.34	1.24	1.21	1.36	1.34
Standard error	0.05	0.07	0.06	0.16	0.12	0.10	0.11	0.12	0.11	0.08	0.10	0.14	0.09	0.10	0.09	0.10	0.12	0.16	0.11	0.08	0.14	0.09

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Absolutes/col percents

Table 18

Q.13 I am going to read out a summary of what one of the political parties has proposed on the issue of immigration. Please say whether or not it is a policy you agree with?

"They will introduce a points system to ensure that those who enter Britain will benefit the country and end the right for immigrants to bring in their relatives. They will only allow skilled workers to settle long-term in the UK. They will introduce English language tests for those who want to stay permanently, and expand detention for failed asylum seekers."

Base: All "Split A" respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex		Age							Social Class				Region				Voting Intention				
	Total	Male	Fe- male	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid- lands	North Eng- land	Wales & South West	Scot- land	Con- ser- vative	Labour	Lib- eral Demo- crat	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	756	369	387	60	119	186	133	112	146	214	176	129	237	201	198	185	107	65	148	228	103	228
Weighted base	765	372	392	66	130	164	130	110	164	179	225	178	183	203	198	191	107	66	156	216	106	236
Agree	478	229	249	44	77	89	80	69	119	101	137	114	126	115	124	130	65	45	117	141	56	143
	63%	62%	63%	67%	59%	54%	62%	63%	72%	57%	61%	64%	69%	57%	63%	68%	61%	68%	75%	65%	53%	61%
Disagree	240	127	113	19	48	68	40	32	33	67	73	54	46	77	65	46	32	20	32	67	44	74
	31%	34%	29%	29%	37%	41%	30%	29%	20%	37%	32%	30%	25%	38%	33%	24%	30%	31%	21%	31%	41%	31%
Don't know	47	16	30	3	5	7	10	9	13	11	15	10	11	11	9	16	10	1	7	8	7	19
	6%	4%	8%	4%	4%	4%	8%	8%	8%	6%	7%	5%	6%	6%	4%	8%	10%	1%	4%	4%	6%	8%

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Absolutes/col percents

Table 19

Q.14 I am going to read out a summary of what one of the political parties has proposed on the issue of immigration. Please say whether or not it is a policy you agree with?

"They will set an annual limit on the number of immigrants able to enter Britain, and give priority to those who would make a positive contribution, as they do in Australia. They will change the work permit system so that people coming to Britain on a temporary permit are no longer able to settle here permanently. They will set up 24 hour surveillance at ports and airports, stop people who are not genuine refugees applying for asylum, and introduce health checks for immigrants to detect things like HIV, hepatitis and TB."

Base: All "Split B" respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	Total	Male	Fe- male	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid- lands	North Eng- land	Wales & South West	Scot- land	Con- ser- vative	Labour	Lib- eral Demo- crat	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	768	360	408	81	126	167	131	127	136	254	170	108	236	205	203	180	111	69	138	212	98	232
Weighted base	759	359	400	101	129	140	129	118	141	203	217	142	198	203	199	183	105	68	146	201	96	230
Agree	556	258	297	65	93	89	103	92	114	141	142	119	153	153	154	125	79	44	118	142	57	170
	73%	72%	74%	64%	72%	63%	80%	78%	81%	70%	65%	84%	77%	75%	77%	68%	75%	65%	81%	71%	60%	74%
Disagree	139	72	66	24	27	38	16	15	20	45	51	19	24	38	30	37	15	18	21	42	29	39
	18%	20%	17%	23%	21%	27%	12%	12%	14%	22%	23%	13%	12%	19%	15%	20%	14%	27%	14%	21%	30%	17%
Don't know	65	28	36	13	10	14	10	11	7	17	24	4	20	12	15	21	11	6	7	16	10	21
	9%	8%	9%	13%	8%	10%	8%	10%	5%	8%	11%	3%	10%	6%	7%	12%	11%	9%	5%	8%	10%	9%

Opinion Poll

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Absolutes/col percents

Table 20

Q.15 Now I am going to read out a summary of what the Conservative Party has proposed on the issue of immigration then please say whether or not it is a policy you agree with?

"The Conservatives will set an annual limit on the number of immigrants able to enter Britain, and give priority to those who would make a positive contribution, as they do in Australia. The Conservatives will change the work permit system so that people coming to Britain on a temporary permit are no longer able to settle here permanently. They will set up 24 hour surveillance at ports and airports, stop people who are not genuine refugees applying for asylum, and introduce health checks for immigrants to detect things like HIV, hepatitis and TB."

Base: All "Split A" respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex		Age							Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	Total	Male	Fe- male	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid- lands	North Eng- land	Wales & South West	Scot- land	Con- ser- vative	Labour	Lib- eral Demo- crat	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	756	369	387	60	119	186	133	112	146	214	176	129	237	201	198	185	107	65	148	228	103	228
Weighted base	765	372	392	66	130	164	130	110	164	179	225	178	183	203	198	191	107	66	156	216	106	236
Agree	535	252	283	48	84	102	84	81	136	118	145	132	139	140	150	131	74	40	143	136	63	165
	70%	68%	72%	73%	65%	62%	65%	73%	83%	66%	64%	74%	76%	69%	76%	69%	69%	61%	92%	63%	60%	70%
Disagree	205	111	95	17	42	60	38	25	24	53	75	40	37	60	40	56	27	22	8	73	42	68
	27%	30%	24%	26%	32%	36%	29%	22%	14%	30%	33%	23%	20%	30%	20%	29%	26%	33%	5%	34%	40%	29%
Don't know	24	10	15	1	4	3	8	5	4	7	5	6	7	3	7	4	6	4	5	7	1	2
	3%	3%	4%	1%	3%	2%	6%	4%	3%	4%	2%	3%	4%	2%	4%	2%	5%	6%	3%	3%	1%	1%

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Absolutes/col percents

Table 21

Q.16 Now I am going to read out a summary of what the Labour Party has proposed on the issue of immigration then please say whether or not it is a policy you agree with?

"Labour will introduce a points system to ensure that those who enter Britain will benefit the country and end the right for immigrants to bring in their relatives. Labour will only allow skilled workers to settle long-term in the UK. They will introduce English language tests for those who want to stay permanently, and expand detention for failed asylum seekers."

Base: All "Split B" respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex		Age							Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	Total	Male	Fe- male	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid- lands	North Eng- land	Wales & South West	Scot- land	Con- ser- vative	Labour	Lib- eral Demo- crat	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	768	360	408	81	126	167	131	127	136	254	170	108	236	205	203	180	111	69	138	212	98	232
Weighted base	759	359	400	101	129	140	129	118	141	203	217	142	198	203	199	183	105	68	146	201	96	230
Agree	476	222	254	62	77	83	80	84	90	112	139	92	132	120	127	123	65	42	83	160	51	150
	63%	62%	63%	61%	60%	59%	62%	71%	64%	55%	64%	65%	67%	59%	63%	67%	61%	61%	56%	80%	53%	65%
Disagree	223	105	117	36	40	46	36	25	38	73	64	42	43	68	58	42	33	22	50	33	40	68
	29%	29%	29%	36%	31%	33%	28%	21%	27%	36%	30%	30%	22%	33%	29%	23%	31%	33%	34%	17%	42%	30%
Don't know	61	32	29	3	12	11	13	10	12	17	14	7	23	15	15	18	8	4	14	7	5	12
	8%	9%	7%	3%	9%	8%	10%	8%	9%	9%	6%	5%	11%	7%	7%	10%	8%	7%	9%	4%	5%	5%

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Table 22
Classification
Base: All respondents

		Unweighted Total	Weighted Total
Unweighted base		1524	1524
Weighted base		1524	1524
<u>Sex</u>			
Male		729 48%	732 48%
Female		795 52%	792 52%
<u>Age</u>			
18-24	(21)	141 9%	168 11%
25-34	(29.5)	245 16%	259 17%
35-44	(39.5)	353 23%	305 20%
45-54	(49.5)	264 17%	259 17%
55-64	(59.5)	239 16%	229 15%
65+	(70)	282 19%	304 20%
Average age		46.69	46.56

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Table 22
Classification
Base: All respondents

	<u>Unweighted Total</u>	<u>Weighted Total</u>
Weighted base	1524	1524
<u>Social Class</u>		
AB	468 31%	381 25%
C1	346 23%	442 29%
C2	237 16%	320 21%
DE	473 31%	381 25%
<u>Region</u>		
North	499 33%	509 33%
Midlands	479 31%	475 31%
South	546 36%	541 35%

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Table 22
Classification
Base: All respondents

	<u>Unweighted Total</u>	<u>Weighted Total</u>
Weighted base	1524	1524
<u>Working status</u>		
Full-time	712 47%	677 44%
Part-time	194 13%	171 11%
Not working but seeking work or temporarily unemployed/sick	66 4%	77 5%
Not working/not seeking work	82 5%	90 6%
Retired	370 24%	404 26%
Student	47 3%	64 4%
Refused	53 3%	42 3%

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Table 22
Classification
Base: All respondents

	<u>Unweighted Total</u>	<u>Weighted Total</u>
Weighted base	1524	1524
<u>Tenure</u>		
Own outright	434 28%	488 32%
Own with a mortgage	570 37%	625 41%
Council	212 14%	198 13%
Rented from someone else	216 14%	146 10%
Rent free	20 1%	16 1%
Refused	72 5%	51 3%

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Classification
Base: All respondents

	<u>Unweighted Total</u>	<u>Weighted Total</u>
Weighted base	1524	1524
<u>Foreign Holiday in last 3 years</u>		
Yes	879 58%	945 62%
No	645 42%	579 38%
<u>Number of cars</u>		
None	361 24%	308 20%
1	682 45%	663 44%
2	372 24%	430 28%
3+	109 7%	123 8%

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Classification
Base: All respondents

	Unweighted Total	Weighted Total
Weighted base	1524	1524
<u>Internet Access</u>		
At all	948 62%	963 63%
At home (net)	743 49%	759 50%
At work (net)	470 31%	456 30%
At home	414 27%	439 29%
At work	141 9%	136 9%
Both at home and at work	329 22%	320 21%
Somewhere else	64 4%	67 4%
Not at all	570 37%	558 37%
Refused	6 *	4 *

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Table 22
Classification
Base: All respondents

	Unweighted Total	Weighted Total
Weighted base	1524	1524
<u>Age Finished Full Time Education</u>		
Up to 15	323 21%	321 21%
16	385 25%	388 25%
17	103 7%	107 7%
18	180 12%	189 12%
19 or over	415 27%	402 26%
Still in full time education	43 3%	52 3%
Had no full time education	5 *	5 *
Refused	70 5%	59 4%

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Table 22
Classification
Base: All respondents

	Unweighted Total	Weighted Total
Weighted base	1524	1524
<u>Marital Status</u>		
Single	331 22%	331 22%
Married/ co-habiting	834 55%	868 57%
Widowed/ separated/ divorced	305 20%	285 19%
Refused	54 4%	41 3%
<u>Children</u>		
None aged 18 or under	1019 67%	1039 68%
NET: Yes	451 30%	444 29%
NET: Yes any aged 15 or under	393 26%	388 25%
- Aged under 5	154 10%	162 11%
- Aged 5-10	192 13%	191 13%
- Aged 11-15	175 11%	162 11%
- Aged 16-18	114 7%	108 7%
Refused	54 4%	40 3%

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Table 23

Q.1 At the last general election, in June 2001, when the Labour Government was elected for the second time, many people did not vote at all. Can you remember - did you vote in that election, or did you not vote?

Base: All respondents

	Unweighted Total	Weighted Total
Unweighted base	1524	1524
Weighted base	1524	1524
Voted	949 62%	941 62%
Didn't vote	479 31%	489 32%
Not registered	29 2%	24 2%
Too young	30 2%	34 2%
Can't remember	35 2%	33 2%
Refused	2 *	2 *

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Table 24
Q.1a At that general election, in June 2001, could you tell me which party you actually voted for?

	Unweighted Total	Weighted Total
Unweighted base	763	763
Weighted base	763	761
Conservative	200 26%	228 30%
Labour	388 51%	350 46%
Liberal Democrats	124 16%	129 17%
SNP	12 2%	12 2%
Plaid Cymru	6 1%	6 1%
Other	33 4%	35 5%