

Opinion Poll

Fieldwork : March 7th-9th 2003

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?

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	Midlands	North England	Wales & South West	Scotland	Conservative	Labour	Liberal Democrat	
Weighted base	1000	490	510	111	192	192	172	131	202	238	277	208	277	266	258	250	137	89	166	259	158	
Absolutely certain to vote	(10)	483 48%	243 50%	240 47%	32 29%	56 29%	87 46%	95 56%	86 66%	126 63%	136 57%	147 53%	88 42%	112 41%	119 45%	131 51%	113 45%	70 51%	49 55%	109 66%	136 53%	77 49%
	(9)	54 5%	29 6%	25 5%	1 1%	12 6%	11 6%	16 9%	6 5%	8 4%	16 7%	23 8%	8 4%	7 3%	13 5%	8 3%	16 6%	11 8%	5 6%	11 6%	14 5%	9 5%
	(8)	74 7%	42 8%	33 6%	9 8%	25 13%	17 9%	6 4%	6 4%	11 5%	14 6%	24 9%	17 8%	20 7%	23 9%	19 7%	15 6%	11 8%	6 7%	7 4%	23 9%	14 9%
	(7)	56 6%	33 7%	23 5%	14 12%	10 5%	10 5%	14 8%	5 4%	3 2%	15 6%	12 4%	17 8%	12 4%	16 6%	14 6%	14 6%	6 4%	6 7%	8 5%	15 6%	11 7%
	(6)	29 3%	16 3%	14 3%	6 6%	11 6%	5 3%	2 1%	3 2%	2 1%	4 2%	10 4%	6 3%	10 3%	10 4%	8 3%	6 2%	2 1%	4 5%	3 2%	14 5%	5 3%
	(5)	98 10%	44 9%	55 11%	17 16%	31 16%	15 8%	13 7%	8 6%	14 7%	14 6%	20 7%	29 14%	36 13%	24 9%	31 12%	24 10%	15 11%	4 4%	11 7%	24 9%	19 12%
	(4)	25 2%	9 2%	16 3%	9 8%	6 3%	5 3%	1 1%	2 2%	1 1%	7 3%	8 3%	4 2%	6 2%	8 3%	6 2%	7 3%	2 1%	2 2%	3 2%	7 3%	2 1%
	(3)	30 3%	14 3%	16 3%	8 7%	7 4%	8 4%	3 2%	2 2%	3 1%	5 2%	6 2%	7 3%	13 5%	3 1%	8 3%	12 5%	4 3%	4 4%	4 3%	7 3%	1 1%
	(2)	17 2%	6 1%	10 2%	2 2%	3 2%	7 3%	2 1%	1 1%	2 1%	3 1%	5 2%	3 2%	6 2%	7 3%	3 1%	5 2%	1 *	1 1%	1 *	2 1%	4 3%
Definitely would not vote	(1)	101 10%	45 9%	57 11%	7 6%	24 12%	20 11%	16 9%	10 8%	24 12%	19 8%	20 7%	23 11%	38 14%	30 11%	24 9%	27 11%	14 10%	6 6%	8 5%	7 3%	9 6%
Don't know		32 3%	11 2%	21 4%	6 5%	8 4%	7 4%	3 2%	2 1%	7 4%	8 3%	2 1%	6 3%	17 6%	12 5%	5 2%	10 4%	2 2%	2 2%	1 *	10 4%	6 4%
Mean		7.53	7.71	7.36	6.57	6.65	7.35	8.04	8.38	8.06	8.10	7.95	7.19	6.86	7.39	7.60	7.30	7.76	8.08	8.54	8.20	7.85
Standard deviation		3.14	3.02	3.26	2.89	3.13	3.26	2.98	2.83	3.20	2.93	2.90	3.18	3.40	3.20	3.08	3.28	3.09	2.84	2.57	2.49	2.81
Standard error		0.10	0.14	0.14	0.33	0.24	0.22	0.23	0.23	0.24	0.24	0.16	0.20	0.22	0.20	0.19	0.21	0.27	0.30	0.20	0.16	0.23

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Table 2

Q.3 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?

Base: All respondents expressing an intention to vote (excluding those saying 1-5 or Don't know at Q.2)

Weighting: Past Vote Weights (General Election)

This table has been weighted on the basis of past voting to be politically representative of the UK population as a whole and including only those most likely to vote

	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
Weighted base	498	281	217	43	78	95	97	82	103	136	151	101	111	127	139	114	70	48	171	169	122
Conservative	171	100	71	13	17	28	31	41	42	58	55	38	21	44	57	38	22	9	171	-	-
	34%	36%	33%	30%	22%	30%	32%	49%	40%	43%	36%	37%	19%	35%	41%	34%	31%	19%	100%	-	-
Labour	169	92	77	9	31	33	34	23	39	31	47	36	55	33	41	53	23	19	-	169	-
	34%	33%	36%	22%	39%	34%	35%	28%	38%	23%	31%	35%	50%	26%	30%	46%	33%	39%	-	100%	-
Liberal	122	68	54	16	26	23	20	17	20	35	40	19	27	40	31	22	21	8	-	-	122
	24%	24%	25%	37%	33%	24%	21%	21%	20%	26%	27%	19%	25%	32%	23%	19%	30%	16%	-	-	100%
SNP	13	8	5	-	2	4	4	1	2	7	*	4	2	1	-	-	-	12	-	-	-
	3%	3%	2%	-	2%	4%	4%	2%	2%	5%	*	4%	2%	1%	-	-	-	26%	-	-	-
Plaid Cymru	3	1	2	-	1	1	1	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
	1%	*	1%	-	1%	1%	1%	-	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	*	-	-	4%	-	-	-	-
Other	20	13	7	5	2	6	7	-	-	4	7	4	4	8	9	1	1	*	-	-	-
	4%	4%	3%	11%	3%	7%	7%	-	-	3%	5%	4%	4%	7%	7%	1%	2%	1%	-	-	-

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Table 3
Q.4 How good a leader is Tony Blair?
Base: All 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	
Weighted base	1000	490	510	111	192	192	172	131	202	238	277	208	277	266	258	250	137	89	166	259	158	
Very good indeed	(10)	63 6%	34 7%	29 6%	2 1%	4 2%	9 5%	11 6%	14 11%	23 5%	13 3%	13 6%	28 10%	10 4%	22 8%	14 6%	10 7%	7 8%	2 1%	52 20%	1 *	
	(9)	42 4%	23 5%	19 4%	1 1%	3 2%	10 5%	12 7%	4 3%	13 6%	7 2%	4 2%	17 6%	14 5%	10 4%	12 5%	5 3%	2 2%	5 3%	23 9%	5 3%	
	(8)	115 11%	62 13%	52 10%	7 6%	23 12%	30 16%	10 6%	20 15%	25 12%	40 11%	24 14%	23 8%	24 9%	32 12%	30 12%	20 14%	8 9%	19 11%	53 20%	8 5%	
	(7)	116 12%	64 13%	52 10%	19 17%	28 15%	18 9%	25 15%	10 8%	16 8%	30 12%	32 12%	33 16%	22 8%	32 12%	30 11%	29 8%	15 16%	12 7%	45 18%	19 12%	
	(6)	105 10%	58 12%	46 9%	14 12%	30 15%	22 12%	18 11%	10 8%	11 5%	26 11%	38 14%	19 9%	21 8%	32 12%	19 7%	24 10%	13 14%	7 4%	39 15%	13 8%	
	(5)	180 18%	80 16%	100 20%	21 19%	31 16%	35 18%	29 17%	22 17%	42 21%	33 14%	48 17%	34 16%	66 24%	43 16%	53 20%	38 15%	29 21%	17 20%	38 23%	28 11%	30 19%
	(4)	79 8%	37 7%	42 8%	8 7%	16 8%	13 7%	14 8%	13 10%	15 7%	25 11%	24 8%	16 8%	15 5%	25 9%	17 7%	27 11%	8 6%	3 4%	20 12%	7 3%	19 12%
	(3)	71 7%	30 6%	41 8%	13 12%	19 10%	8 4%	10 6%	13 10%	8 4%	18 8%	23 8%	13 6%	17 6%	21 8%	24 9%	16 6%	6 4%	4 5%	13 8%	4 1%	14 9%
	(2)	62 6%	26 5%	36 7%	4 4%	10 5%	15 8%	8 4%	5 4%	20 10%	15 6%	14 5%	14 7%	19 7%	20 7%	14 5%	13 5%	8 6%	7 8%	12 7%	3 1%	18 11%
Very bad indeed	(1)	147 15%	68 14%	79 15%	18 16%	27 14%	27 14%	32 18%	20 15%	23 12%	36 15%	38 14%	32 16%	40 14%	43 16%	32 12%	40 16%	21 15%	11 12%	38 23%	3 1%	30 19%
Don't know/ refused		20 2%	8 2%	12 2%	5 5%	1 1%	5 3%	3 2%	* 3%	5 3%	- -	4 2%	7 3%	9 3%	2 1%	7 3%	6 2%	3 2%	2 2%	- -	2 1%	- -
Mean		5.17	5.39	4.96	4.68	4.98	5.26	5.09	5.34	5.51	5.17	5.11	5.11	5.29	4.91	5.36	5.13	5.30	5.38	4.31	7.36	4.24
Standard deviation		2.69	2.69	2.68	2.36	2.42	2.69	2.78	2.86	2.89	2.72	2.52	2.69	2.85	2.64	2.71	2.73	2.73	2.62	2.55	2.01	2.38
Standard error		0.09	0.13	0.12	0.27	0.18	0.18	0.21	0.23	0.22	0.22	0.14	0.17	0.18	0.16	0.17	0.17	0.23	0.28	0.20	0.13	0.19

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Table 4
Q.4 How good a leader is Iain Duncan Smith?
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	
Weighted base	1000	490	510	111	192	192	172	131	202	238	277	208	277	266	258	250	137	89	166	259	158	
Very good indeed	(10)	20 2%	15 3%	5 1%	1 1%	3 1%	4 2%	2 1%	4 3%	6 2%	5 3%	5 3%	7 3%	5 2%	4 2%	5 2%	4 3%	1 1%	8 5%	8 3%	-	
	(9)	7 1%	2 *	5 1%	-	* *	4 2%	2 1%	-	1 1%	3 1%	2 1%	1 1%	2 1%	1 *	3 1%	2 1%	1 1%	* 1%	2 1%	1 *	1 1%
	(8)	34 3%	21 4%	12 2%	5 5%	2 1%	6 3%	1 1%	5 4%	14 7%	5 2%	10 4%	7 4%	12 4%	11 4%	12 5%	4 1%	3 2%	4 4%	17 11%	4 2%	5 3%
	(7)	57 6%	26 5%	31 6%	11 10%	12 6%	8 4%	5 3%	4 3%	18 9%	18 8%	11 4%	17 8%	11 4%	9 3%	18 7%	19 7%	9 6%	3 4%	21 13%	21 8%	2 1%
	(6)	70 7%	34 7%	36 7%	10 9%	14 7%	8 4%	8 4%	14 10%	17 8%	11 5%	21 8%	14 7%	23 8%	14 5%	26 10%	16 6%	10 7%	5 5%	23 14%	19 7%	9 6%
	(5)	212 21%	99 20%	113 22%	26 23%	34 18%	47 24%	38 22%	32 24%	34 17%	51 22%	63 23%	47 22%	51 19%	57 22%	56 22%	53 21%	25 18%	20 23%	40 24%	56 22%	28 18%
	(4)	121 12%	58 12%	63 12%	14 13%	30 16%	18 9%	16 10%	20 15%	23 11%	36 15%	41 15%	21 10%	23 8%	29 11%	23 9%	40 16%	19 14%	12 13%	22 14%	23 9%	25 16%
	(3)	101 10%	45 9%	56 11%	12 11%	24 12%	18 9%	29 17%	8 6%	11 5%	34 14%	28 10%	15 7%	23 8%	35 13%	28 11%	19 8%	14 10%	6 6%	14 8%	16 6%	20 12%
	(2)	82 8%	51 10%	31 6%	5 4%	21 11%	19 10%	16 9%	12 9%	9 4%	21 9%	28 10%	17 8%	16 6%	26 10%	20 8%	18 7%	12 9%	7 8%	5 3%	25 10%	22 14%
Very bad indeed	(1)	174 17%	97 20%	77 15%	7 6%	26 13%	39 20%	37 21%	23 18%	42 21%	45 19%	39 14%	38 18%	51 18%	51 19%	38 15%	43 17%	26 19%	16 18%	3 2%	58 23%	37 24%
Don't know/ refused		121 12%	41 8%	80 16%	19 17%	25 13%	21 11%	18 10%	10 7%	28 14%	11 5%	29 10%	24 12%	57 21%	28 11%	31 12%	31 13%	16 12%	14 16%	10 6%	27 10%	8 5%
Mean		4.03	3.99	4.08	4.72	3.90	3.89	3.52	4.09	4.35	3.83	4.06	4.17	4.09	3.80	4.30	4.06	4.01	3.95	5.58	3.94	3.35
Standard deviation		2.25	2.38	2.11	1.94	2.04	2.35	2.06	2.24	2.53	2.10	2.13	2.37	2.42	2.21	2.27	2.21	2.36	2.22	2.01	2.41	1.97
Standard error		0.08	0.11	0.10	0.24	0.16	0.17	0.17	0.18	0.20	0.18	0.12	0.15	0.17	0.14	0.15	0.15	0.21	0.25	0.16	0.16	0.16

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Table 5
Q.4 How good a leader is Charles Kennedy?
Base: All 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	
Weighted base	1000	490	510	111	192	192	172	131	202	238	277	208	277	266	258	250	137	89	166	259	158	
Very good indeed	(10)	21 2%	12 2%	9 2%	2 2%	1 1%	3 1%	6 3%	6 4%	4 2%	2 1%	8 3%	3 2%	7 3%	4 2%	3 1%	6 4%	2 2%	2 1%	5 2%	9 6%	
	(9)	20 2%	12 2%	8 1%	1 1%	2 1%	1 *	4 3%	4 3%	8 4%	3 1%	3 1%	4 2%	9 3%	4 1%	7 3%	3 2%	- -	2 1%	4 2%	6 4%	
	(8)	92 9%	48 10%	44 9%	9 8%	18 10%	14 7%	16 9%	14 10%	21 10%	24 10%	28 10%	13 6%	26 9%	29 11%	20 8%	22 9%	11 8%	10 12%	7 4%	19 7%	32 20%
	(7)	106 11%	63 13%	44 9%	7 7%	18 9%	23 12%	18 10%	14 10%	26 13%	27 12%	37 13%	17 8%	25 9%	26 10%	28 11%	27 11%	19 14%	6 7%	18 11%	24 9%	34 22%
	(6)	90 9%	36 7%	54 11%	13 12%	22 12%	16 8%	14 8%	11 7%	14 7%	22 9%	31 11%	13 6%	24 9%	26 10%	24 9%	20 8%	8 6%	12 14%	14 8%	18 7%	21 13%
	(5)	210 21%	105 21%	105 21%	29 26%	47 24%	45 24%	33 19%	25 19%	31 15%	53 22%	57 20%	47 23%	53 19%	57 22%	58 22%	46 18%	29 21%	20 23%	35 21%	62 24%	32 20%
	(4)	86 9%	48 10%	38 8%	11 10%	15 8%	14 7%	16 10%	10 8%	20 10%	22 9%	28 10%	24 11%	12 4%	18 7%	16 6%	30 12%	13 10%	9 10%	23 14%	25 10%	5 3%
	(3)	74 7%	36 7%	38 7%	6 6%	11 6%	18 9%	16 10%	12 10%	10 5%	26 11%	20 7%	10 5%	18 7%	30 11%	19 7%	15 6%	7 5%	3 4%	13 8%	20 8%	4 2%
	(2)	49 5%	25 5%	24 5%	1 1%	7 3%	12 6%	4 3%	7 6%	17 9%	18 8%	8 3%	12 6%	11 4%	12 5%	13 5%	15 6%	6 4%	3 4%	11 6%	15 6%	* *
Very bad indeed	(1)	82 8%	49 10%	33 6%	2 2%	15 8%	10 5%	14 8%	18 14%	23 11%	16 7%	17 6%	25 12%	24 9%	21 8%	18 7%	24 10%	10 7%	9 10%	20 12%	19 7%	4 2%
Don't know/ refused		170 17%	56 12%	113 22%	28 26%	35 18%	38 20%	29 17%	11 8%	29 14%	25 10%	39 14%	39 19%	67 24%	37 14%	51 20%	41 16%	27 20%	14 15%	21 13%	47 18%	10 7%
Mean		5.06	5.05	5.08	5.44	5.04	4.96	5.19	4.93	4.98	4.90	5.35	4.66	5.23	5.06	5.11	4.90	5.30	5.05	4.51	4.90	6.53
Standard deviation		2.28	2.36	2.19	1.78	2.08	2.07	2.36	2.61	2.54	2.15	2.16	2.33	2.45	2.29	2.23	2.31	2.36	2.24	2.20	2.21	1.85
Standard error		0.08	0.12	0.11	0.23	0.17	0.15	0.20	0.22	0.20	0.19	0.13	0.16	0.17	0.15	0.16	0.16	0.22	0.26	0.19	0.15	0.15

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Table 6

Q.5 Do you think that the American and British governments have now put forward a convincing case for military action against Iraq?

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
Weighted base	1000	490	510	111	192	192	172	131	202	238	277	208	277	266	258	250	137	89	166	259	158
Yes	296 30%	164 33%	132 26%	35 32%	63 33%	60 31%	36 21%	44 33%	58 29%	45 19%	82 30%	83 40%	86 31%	69 26%	89 35%	73 29%	44 32%	21 24%	65 39%	113 43%	27 17%
No	619 62%	297 61%	322 63%	69 62%	113 59%	123 64%	122 71%	78 59%	114 57%	181 76%	179 65%	106 51%	153 55%	180 68%	145 56%	155 62%	82 60%	58 65%	96 58%	122 47%	122 77%
Don't know	85 8%	29 6%	56 11%	7 7%	16 9%	9 4%	13 8%	10 7%	29 14%	11 5%	16 6%	19 9%	38 14%	18 7%	23 9%	22 9%	12 9%	10 11%	5 3%	24 9%	9 6%

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Table 7

Q.6 Which of the following statements is closest to your own view about what Britain's policy should be towards Iraq?

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 Demo-crat
Weighted base	1000	490	510	111	192	192	172	131	202	238	277	208	277	266	258	250	137	89	166	259	158
Britain should join America in military action against Iraq if, and only if, there is a new United Nations resolution authorizing it	520 52%	262 53%	258 51%	52 47%	119 62%	99 51%	99 57%	69 53%	82 40%	139 58%	154 55%	103 50%	124 45%	145 55%	130 50%	132 53%	69 50%	44 50%	85 51%	135 52%	89 56%
Britain should join America in military action against Iraq regardless of whether there is a new United Nations resolution authorizing it	190 19%	112 23%	79 15%	17 16%	29 15%	37 19%	34 20%	26 20%	46 23%	40 17%	47 17%	52 25%	51 19%	34 13%	59 23%	52 21%	28 21%	17 19%	45 27%	71 27%	11 7%
Britain should not join America in military action against Iraq even if there is a new United Nations resolution authorizing it	244 24%	102 21%	142 28%	35 32%	39 20%	52 27%	32 18%	29 22%	57 28%	56 23%	66 24%	43 21%	80 29%	75 28%	60 23%	54 22%	30 22%	26 29%	31 19%	43 17%	56 35%
Don't know/ refused	46 5%	14 3%	31 6%	6 5%	5 3%	5 2%	7 4%	6 5%	17 8%	3 1%	11 4%	10 5%	21 8%	12 4%	9 4%	12 5%	10 8%	2 2%	5 3%	9 4%	3 2%

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Table 8

Q.7 Thinking about levels of taxation, and spending on public services, which of the following is closest to your view?

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
Weighted base	1000	490	510	111	192	192	172	131	202	238	277	208	277	266	258	250	137	89	166	259	158
Taxes will have to rise further if public services are to be properly funded	162 16%	91 19%	71 14%	8 7%	19 10%	31 16%	46 27%	21 16%	37 18%	54 23%	41 15%	23 11%	43 16%	44 17%	36 14%	35 14%	23 17%	23 26%	14 9%	63 24%	29 18%
Taxes are high enough to fund public services properly if the money is spent well	587 59%	274 56%	313 61%	71 64%	120 62%	122 63%	89 52%	78 60%	107 53%	149 63%	186 67%	120 58%	131 47%	163 61%	150 58%	141 57%	82 60%	50 56%	112 68%	130 50%	100 63%
Taxes are higher than they need to be for the proper funding of public services, and could be reduced	214 21%	115 23%	99 19%	30 27%	48 25%	31 16%	35 20%	29 22%	41 20%	31 13%	47 17%	59 28%	77 28%	54 20%	60 23%	61 24%	26 19%	13 15%	37 23%	52 20%	27 17%
Don't know	38 4%	11 2%	27 5%	2 2%	5 3%	9 5%	2 1%	2 2%	17 9%	3 1%	4 1%	6 3%	25 9%	5 2%	11 4%	12 5%	6 5%	3 3%	2 1%	13 5%	2 1%

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Absolutes/col percents

Table 8

Q.7 Thinking about levels of taxation, and spending on public services, which of the following is closest to your view?

Base: All respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

Q.8 On the basis of your experience of public services, how well do you think that this extra investment has been spent?

	Total	Net well spent	Very well spent	Quite well spent	Quite badly spent	Very badly spent	Net badly spent	Don't know
Weighted base	1000	367	33	334	394	198	592	40
Taxes will have to rise further if public services are to be properly funded	162 16%	91 25%	11 32%	80 24%	53 13%	13 7%	66 11%	5 12%
Taxes are high enough to fund public services properly if the money is spent well	587 59%	202 55%	13 40%	189 57%	254 64%	110 56%	364 62%	20 50%
Taxes are higher than they need to be for the proper funding of public services, and could be reduced	214 21%	61 17%	7 21%	54 16%	75 19%	73 37%	148 25%	5 12%
Don't know	38 4%	13 4%	2 7%	11 3%	12 3%	2 1%	14 2%	11 26%

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Table 8

Q.7 Thinking about levels of taxation, and spending on public services, which of the following is closest to your view?

Base: All respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Total	Q.9 Do you support this increase in national insurance, or do you not support it?		
		Support	Do not support	Don't know
Weighted base	1000	405	520	75
Taxes will have to rise further if public services are to be properly funded	162 16%	122 30%	27 5%	12 16%
Taxes are high enough to fund public services properly if the money is spent well	587 59%	227 56%	319 61%	41 54%
Taxes are higher than they need to be for the proper funding of public services, and could be reduced	214 21%	48 12%	155 30%	11 15%
Don't know	38 4%	8 2%	19 4%	11 14%

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Table 9

Q.8 The Labour Government has significantly increased spending on public services since it was elected nearly six years ago. On the basis of your experience of public services, how well do you think that this extra investment has been spent?

Base: All 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
Weighted base	1000	490	510	111	192	192	172	131	202	238	277	208	277	266	258	250	137	89	166	259	158
Net well spent	367 37%	191 39%	177 35%	40 36%	70 37%	83 43%	56 32%	45 34%	74 37%	88 37%	98 35%	75 36%	106 38%	90 34%	91 35%	99 40%	53 38%	35 40%	42 25%	163 63%	45 29%
Very well spent	(4) 3%	15 3%	18 4%	1 1%	6 3%	3 2%	9 5%	6 4%	8 4%	7 3%	3 1%	5 2%	18 7%	7 3%	14 6%	6 2%	5 3%	1 1%	2 1%	22 8%	3 2%
Quite well spent	(3) 33%	175 36%	159 31%	39 35%	65 34%	80 41%	47 27%	39 30%	65 32%	81 34%	95 34%	70 34%	88 32%	83 31%	76 30%	93 37%	48 35%	34 39%	39 24%	141 55%	42 27%
Quite badly spent	(2) 39%	177 36%	217 42%	46 41%	86 45%	67 35%	77 45%	47 36%	71 35%	88 37%	117 42%	79 38%	109 40%	109 41%	105 41%	91 36%	54 39%	35 39%	61 37%	72 28%	80 50%
Very badly spent	(1) 20%	107 22%	91 18%	20 18%	29 15%	33 17%	38 22%	34 26%	44 22%	59 25%	49 18%	44 21%	46 17%	57 21%	51 20%	50 20%	27 20%	13 15%	58 35%	15 6%	27 17%
Net badly spent	592 59%	285 58%	308 60%	66 59%	115 60%	100 52%	115 67%	82 62%	115 57%	147 62%	166 60%	123 59%	156 56%	166 62%	156 60%	141 56%	82 59%	48 54%	119 72%	86 33%	106 67%
Don't know	40 4%	15 3%	26 5%	5 4%	6 3%	10 5%	2 1%	5 4%	13 7%	2 1%	13 5%	9 5%	15 5%	10 4%	12 5%	10 4%	3 2%	6 6%	5 3%	10 4%	6 4%

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Q.8 The Labour Government has significantly increased spending on public services since it was elected nearly six years ago. On the basis of your experience of public services, how well do you think that this extra investment has been spent?

Base: All respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Q.9 Do you support this increase in national insurance, or do you not support it?			
	Total	Support	Do not support	Don't know
Weighted base	1000	405	520	75
Net well spent	367 37%	220 54%	130 25%	17 23%
Very well spent	(4) 33 3%	23 6%	9 2%	1 1%
Quite well spent	(3) 334 33%	197 49%	121 23%	16 22%
Quite badly spent	(2) 394 39%	135 33%	223 43%	36 48%
Very badly spent	(1) 198 20%	34 8%	153 29%	11 15%
Net badly spent	592 59%	169 42%	375 72%	47 63%
Don't know	40 4%	16 4%	14 3%	10 14%

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Table 10

Q.9 In April national insurance contributions will increase by 1% - a change announced by Gordon Brown in last year's Budget to pay for increased spending on public services. Do you support this increase in national insurance, or do you not support it?

Base: All 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
Weighted base	1000	490	510	111	192	192	172	131	202	238	277	208	277	266	258	250	137	89	166	259	158
Support	405 41%	208 42%	197 39%	38 34%	70 36%	86 45%	86 50%	53 40%	73 36%	108 45%	114 41%	75 36%	109 39%	102 38%	95 37%	108 43%	55 40%	45 51%	54 33%	149 58%	65 41%
Do not support	520 52%	259 53%	260 51%	67 60%	112 58%	101 52%	78 45%	70 53%	92 46%	111 47%	145 52%	124 60%	140 50%	149 56%	142 55%	122 49%	71 52%	36 40%	105 63%	94 37%	87 55%
Don't know	75 7%	23 5%	52 10%	6 5%	10 5%	6 3%	7 4%	8 6%	37 18%	19 8%	19 7%	9 4%	28 10%	15 6%	21 8%	20 8%	11 8%	8 9%	7 4%	15 6%	6 4%