

Opinion Poll

Fieldwork : April 10th-12th 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	Mid-lands	North Eng-land	Wales & South West	Scot-land	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Democ-rat	
Weighted base	1004	492	512	112	193	193	173	132	202	239	279	209	278	267	259	251	138	89	152	324	134	
Absolutely certain to vote	(10)	487	237	250	22	76	83	83	81	142	111	139	78	159	124	123	129	65	47	98	173	67
		49%	48%	49%	20%	39%	43%	48%	61%	70%	46%	50%	38%	57%	46%	48%	51%	47%	52%	64%	53%	50%
	(9)	39	20	19	5	5	14	9	5	1	19	11	6	3	12	12	5	5	5	11	12	6
		4%	4%	4%	5%	3%	7%	5%	4%	*	8%	4%	3%	1%	5%	5%	2%	4%	5%	7%	4%	5%
	(8)	115	52	63	16	28	24	22	14	11	37	30	26	22	31	37	22	18	6	16	43	21
		11%	11%	12%	14%	14%	12%	13%	11%	5%	16%	11%	12%	8%	12%	14%	9%	13%	7%	10%	13%	16%
	(7)	49	27	22	9	9	11	11	4	6	12	16	13	9	19	11	11	5	4	7	16	7
		5%	5%	4%	8%	4%	6%	6%	3%	3%	5%	6%	6%	3%	7%	4%	5%	4%	4%	4%	5%	5%
	(6)	34	13	21	8	6	7	4	4	6	5	7	5	17	7	8	7	9	4	3	18	5
		3%	3%	4%	7%	3%	3%	2%	3%	3%	2%	3%	2%	6%	3%	3%	3%	7%	4%	2%	5%	3%
	(5)	99	45	54	16	28	15	19	11	11	16	32	29	22	28	23	21	15	12	6	29	10
		10%	9%	11%	14%	14%	8%	11%	8%	6%	7%	11%	14%	8%	10%	9%	8%	11%	14%	4%	9%	8%
	(4)	14	9	5	4	5	3	1	2	-	3	4	5	1	4	3	5	1	1	2	4	3
		1%	2%	1%	3%	2%	1%	1%	1%	-	1%	2%	3%	*	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%
	(3)	32	15	17	11	4	7	3	2	4	7	6	10	9	12	4	14	1	-	1	9	4
		3%	3%	3%	10%	2%	4%	2%	2%	2%	3%	2%	5%	3%	5%	2%	6%	1%	-	1%	3%	3%
	(2)	27	18	8	7	7	4	8	-	-	10	8	7	2	5	13	5	4	-	-	*	4
		3%	4%	2%	7%	4%	2%	5%	-	-	4%	3%	3%	1%	2%	5%	2%	3%	-	-	*	3%
Definitely would not vote	(1)	90	51	39	10	23	23	13	8	13	17	20	26	26	19	20	30	13	8	8	14	5
		9%	10%	8%	9%	12%	12%	7%	6%	6%	7%	7%	13%	9%	7%	8%	12%	10%	8%	5%	4%	4%
Not registered		4	2	2	1	2	-	-	1	-	1	3	-	-	1	1	-	2	-	-	-	-
		*	*	*	1%	1%	-	-	1%	-	1%	1%	-	-	1%	*	-	1%	-	-	-	-
Refused		1	1	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
		*	*	*	-	*	*	-	-	-	1%	-	-	-	*	-	-	1%	-	-	-	-
Don't know		13	3	10	2	1	1	1	-	10	-	2	2	9	6	4	2	-	2	-	6	2
		1%	1%	2%	1%	*	*	*	-	5%	-	1%	1%	3%	2%	1%	1%	-	3%	-	2%	2%
Mean		7.59	7.45	7.72	6.06	7.01	7.35	7.67	8.38	8.65	7.76	7.74	6.79	7.90	7.65	7.65	7.37	7.57	7.91	8.71	8.18	8.04
Standard deviation		3.07	3.20	2.94	3.01	3.22	3.20	2.98	2.62	2.64	2.94	2.95	3.28	3.04	2.93	3.05	3.32	3.04	2.88	2.37	2.53	2.63
Standard error		0.10	0.15	0.13	0.32	0.25	0.21	0.23	0.21	0.20	0.21	0.16	0.21	0.20	0.18	0.19	0.21	0.26	0.31	0.19	0.14	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	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	540	276	264	47	91	96	103	82	121	138	147	98	157	142	146	127	80	45	156	224	122
Conservative	156	82	74	7	18	21	34	26	49	46	39	27	44	47	46	36	19	9	156	-	-
	29%	30%	28%	16%	20%	22%	33%	31%	40%	33%	26%	28%	28%	33%	32%	28%	23%	19%	100%	-	-
Labour	224	118	106	23	42	39	41	39	40	55	57	40	73	50	56	67	33	19	-	224	-
	42%	43%	40%	50%	46%	41%	40%	47%	33%	40%	39%	41%	46%	35%	38%	53%	41%	43%	-	100%	-
Liberal	122	61	60	13	25	24	23	12	25	29	40	24	28	36	35	21	23	8	-	-	122
	22%	22%	23%	28%	27%	25%	23%	15%	20%	21%	27%	25%	18%	25%	24%	16%	28%	18%	-	-	100%
SNP	10	4	6	-	1	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	7	-	2	2	-	6	-	-	-
	2%	1%	2%	-	1%	3%	2%	3%	1%	1%	1%	1%	4%	-	1%	1%	-	13%	-	-	-
Plaid Cymru	5	1	4	-	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-
	1%	*	1%	-	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	*	1%	1%	-	-	-	6%	-	-	-	-
Other	24	10	14	3	4	8	1	2	6	5	10	4	5	10	8	2	2	3	-	-	-
	4%	3%	5%	7%	4%	8%	1%	2%	5%	4%	6%	4%	3%	7%	5%	1%	2%	7%	-	-	-

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Table 3

Adjusted Voting Intention**Weighting: Past Vote Weights (General Election)**

This table is based on a manual adjustment of data reallocating some don't knows - a procedure which addresses the spiral of silence among some groups of voters, which has successfully increased the accuracy of voting intention polls at recent General Elections

	<u>Total</u>
Total	585
Conservative	172 29%
Labour	239 41%
Liberal Democrat/ Liberal	130 22%
Scottish National Party/SNP	11 2%
Plaid Cymru	5 1%
Other	28 5%

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Weighted base	1004	492	512	112	193	193	173	132	202	239	279	209	278	267	259	251	138	89	152	324	134	
Absolutely certain to vote	(10)	390	175	216	17	52	57	73	78	114	91	103	63	134	91	100	107	54	39	77	142	54
		39%	35%	42%	15%	27%	30%	42%	59%	56%	38%	37%	30%	48%	34%	38%	43%	39%	44%	50%	44%	40%
	(9)	35	18	17	1	8	7	10	5	3	11	8	4	12	14	4	7	5	5	5	11	4
		3%	4%	3%	1%	4%	4%	6%	4%	2%	5%	3%	2%	4%	5%	2%	3%	3%	6%	3%	3%	3%
	(8)	70	28	42	5	17	14	15	5	15	21	17	18	13	20	18	12	12	8	11	25	10
		7%	6%	8%	5%	9%	7%	8%	3%	7%	9%	6%	9%	5%	8%	7%	5%	9%	9%	7%	8%	8%
	(7)	59	36	23	12	12	14	11	3	6	14	20	19	6	17	16	10	11	4	6	16	12
		6%	7%	4%	11%	6%	7%	6%	3%	3%	6%	7%	9%	2%	7%	6%	4%	8%	4%	4%	5%	9%
	(6)	36	23	13	5	5	12	7	5	1	16	11	4	5	9	11	8	3	6	6	13	6
		4%	5%	3%	5%	2%	6%	4%	4%	1%	7%	4%	2%	2%	3%	4%	3%	2%	6%	4%	4%	4%
	(5)	100	49	51	18	22	17	13	14	14	22	26	22	31	22	32	22	16	8	9	42	12
		10%	10%	10%	16%	12%	9%	8%	11%	7%	9%	9%	10%	11%	8%	12%	9%	12%	8%	6%	13%	9%
	(4)	25	10	14	3	4	12	1	3	2	7	4	7	7	9	2	4	7	3	3	6	6
		2%	2%	3%	2%	2%	6%	1%	2%	1%	3%	1%	3%	3%	3%	1%	2%	5%	3%	2%	2%	4%
	(3)	39	16	23	7	11	9	7	1	5	7	11	11	9	13	4	17	6	-	2	17	5
		4%	3%	4%	6%	6%	5%	4%	1%	2%	3%	4%	5%	3%	5%	2%	7%	4%	-	1%	5%	3%
	(2)	31	18	13	9	8	6	6	-	3	14	9	7	2	7	17	3	4	-	5	8	5
		3%	4%	3%	8%	4%	3%	3%	-	1%	6%	3%	4%	1%	3%	7%	1%	3%	-	3%	3%	4%
Definitely would not vote	(1)	152	89	63	26	43	35	18	9	21	28	46	38	41	41	35	47	16	13	19	23	14
		15%	18%	12%	24%	22%	18%	11%	7%	11%	12%	16%	18%	15%	15%	13%	19%	12%	14%	13%	7%	10%
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		*	*	1%	-	1%	*	-	1%	-	1%	1%	-	-	1%	-	1%	-	-	-	-	1%
No elections locally		38	16	22	3	7	6	8	4	10	6	15	6	11	16	14	8	-	1	6	14	6
		4%	3%	4%	3%	4%	3%	5%	3%	5%	3%	5%	3%	4%	6%	5%	3%	-	1%	4%	4%	5%
Refused		3	1	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		*	*	*	-	*	*	-	-	-	*	1%	-	1%	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Don't know		21	12	9	4	1	3	4	9	-	6	8	8	4	6	5	3	3	4	4	6	-
		2%	2%	2%	4%	*	1%	1%	3%	4%	-	2%	4%	3%	1%	2%	2%	2%	4%	2%	2%	-
Mean		6.76	6.45	7.06	4.84	5.81	6.15	7.31	8.23	7.91	6.87	6.64	6.15	7.24	6.63	6.72	6.65	6.89	7.33	7.47	7.37	7.06
Standard deviation		3.46	3.54	3.36	3.22	3.58	3.43	3.23	2.79	3.21	3.31	3.51	3.50	3.46	3.46	3.44	3.66	3.26	3.27	3.38	3.06	3.23

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Weighted base	1004	492	512	112	193	193	173	132	202	239	279	209	278	267	259	251	138	89	152	324	134
Standard error	0.11	0.17	0.15	0.35	0.28	0.23	0.26	0.23	0.25	0.24	0.20	0.23	0.24	0.22	0.22	0.24	0.28	0.35	0.28	0.18	0.28

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Q.5 On the basis of your view of the parties at the moment, how do you think you will vote in the local elections?

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Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

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Weighted base	1004	492	512	112	193	193	173	132	202	239	279	209	278	267	259	251	138	89	152	324	134
Conservatives	147 15%	75 15%	72 14%	9 8%	17 9%	20 10%	24 14%	28 21%	50 25%	39 16%	40 14%	28 14%	40 15%	50 19%	44 17%	29 12%	18 13%	6 7%	107 71%	8 2%	4 3%
Labour	266 27%	134 27%	132 26%	31 28%	54 28%	49 25%	39 23%	44 33%	49 24%	53 22%	58 21%	61 29%	95 34%	57 21%	76 29%	79 32%	37 27%	16 18%	4 3%	235 72%	10 8%
Liberal Democrats	129 13%	62 13%	67 13%	11 10%	29 15%	23 12%	26 15%	16 12%	23 12%	33 14%	51 18%	21 10%	24 9%	45 17%	33 13%	24 10%	19 14%	7 8%	8 5%	17 5%	86 64%
SNP	21 2%	9 2%	12 2%	- -	1 1%	9 5%	6 3%	3 2%	2 1%	3 1%	4 2%	2 1%	12 4%	- -	2 1%	3 1%	- -	16 18%	2 1%	4 1%	1 1%
Plaid Cymru	5 *	1 *	4 1%	1 1%	1 1%	1 *	1 *	- -	1 1%	1 1%	- -	2 1%	1 *	- -	- -	- -	5 4%	- -	- -	- -	- -
Other	49 5%	28 6%	21 4%	- -	8 4%	11 6%	10 6%	6 5%	15 7%	16 7%	13 5%	6 3%	15 5%	16 6%	10 4%	9 3%	9 6%	5 5%	11 7%	7 2%	6 5%
Would not vote	119 12%	66 13%	53 10%	22 20%	29 15%	27 14%	22 13%	7 6%	11 6%	24 10%	31 11%	32 15%	32 12%	27 10%	30 12%	42 17%	13 10%	7 8%	7 5%	13 4%	9 7%
Refused	77 8%	41 8%	36 7%	2 2%	13 7%	16 8%	15 9%	9 7%	21 11%	26 11%	25 9%	13 6%	13 5%	24 9%	26 10%	16 7%	7 5%	3 3%	- -	1 *	2 2%
Don't know	190 19%	76 15%	114 22%	35 31%	39 20%	38 20%	31 18%	18 14%	29 14%	42 18%	58 21%	44 21%	46 16%	47 18%	37 14%	48 19%	29 21%	29 32%	12 8%	39 12%	14 11%

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Table 6

Q.5 On the basis of your view of the parties at the moment, how do you think you will vote in the local elections?

Base: All respondents expressing an intention to vote

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	618	309	309	53	111	111	105	97	141	145	165	121	187	169	166	144	88	51	132	271	109
Conservatives	147	75	72	9	17	20	24	28	50	39	40	28	40	50	44	29	18	6	107	8	4
	24%	24%	23%	17%	15%	18%	23%	29%	36%	27%	24%	24%	22%	30%	27%	20%	20%	12%	81%	3%	4%
Labour	266	134	132	31	54	49	39	44	49	53	58	61	95	57	76	79	37	16	4	235	10
	43%	44%	43%	59%	49%	44%	37%	45%	35%	36%	35%	50%	51%	34%	46%	55%	42%	33%	3%	87%	9%
Liberal Democrats	129	62	67	11	29	23	26	16	23	33	51	21	24	45	33	24	19	7	8	17	86
	21%	20%	22%	21%	27%	20%	25%	17%	17%	23%	31%	17%	13%	27%	20%	17%	22%	14%	6%	6%	80%
SNP	21	9	12	-	1	9	6	3	2	3	4	2	12	-	2	3	-	16	2	4	1
	3%	3%	4%	-	1%	8%	6%	3%	2%	2%	3%	2%	6%	-	1%	2%	-	33%	1%	2%	1%
Plaid Cymru	5	1	4	1	1	1	1	-	1	1	-	2	1	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-
	1%	*	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	-	1%	1%	-	2%	1%	-	-	-	5%	-	-	-	-
Other	49	28	21	-	8	11	10	6	15	16	13	6	15	16	10	9	5	11	7	6	
	8%	9%	7%	-	7%	10%	9%	7%	10%	11%	8%	5%	8%	10%	6%	6%	10%	9%	9%	3%	6%

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Table 7

Q.5 On the basis of your view of the parties at the moment, how do you think you will vote in the local elections?

Base: All respondents expressing an intention to vote and saying 6-10 at Q.4

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	441	220	221	26	67	72	87	81	107	107	114	78	143	116	113	107	63	42	96	192	73
Conservatives	112	55	58	3	12	16	21	20	40	34	28	20	30	40	32	24	11	5	79	7	3
	25%	25%	26%	13%	17%	22%	24%	25%	38%	31%	25%	26%	21%	35%	29%	22%	18%	12%	82%	4%	4%
Labour	184	94	90	16	34	29	32	38	36	35	41	37	71	36	54	55	24	14	2	163	7
	42%	43%	41%	60%	50%	40%	36%	46%	33%	33%	36%	48%	50%	31%	48%	51%	39%	33%	2%	85%	10%
Liberal Democrats	83	42	41	6	15	12	20	14	15	21	33	12	17	28	18	19	14	5	5	14	55
	19%	19%	18%	22%	22%	17%	23%	17%	14%	20%	29%	16%	12%	24%	16%	17%	21%	12%	6%	7%	76%
SNP	18	7	11	-	1	6	6	3	2	3	4	*	10	-	2	2	-	15	2	3	1
	4%	3%	5%	-	2%	8%	7%	4%	2%	3%	4%	*	7%	-	1%	2%	-	35%	2%	2%	2%
Plaid Cymru	5	1	4	1	1	1	1	-	1	1	-	2	1	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-
	1%	*	2%	4%	2%	1%	1%	-	1%	1%	-	3%	1%	-	-	-	8%	-	-	-	-
Other	39	22	18	-	5	8	7	6	12	13	8	5	13	12	7	8	9	3	8	5	6
	9%	10%	8%	-	7%	12%	8%	8%	12%	12%	7%	7%	9%	10%	6%	7%	14%	8%	8%	3%	9%

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Table 8

Q.6 Thinking about the build-up to the war in Iraq and everything that has happened since, do you think that taking military action was the right thing to do or the wrong thing to do?

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	1004	492	512	112	193	193	173	132	202	239	279	209	278	267	259	251	138	89	152	324	134
Right thing	640	339	302	67	125	126	101	104	117	139	173	145	184	138	170	174	103	55	106	255	55
	64%	69%	59%	60%	65%	66%	58%	79%	58%	58%	62%	69%	66%	52%	66%	69%	75%	62%	70%	79%	41%
Wrong thing	241	115	126	26	48	45	47	20	55	70	69	45	58	82	61	43	30	26	31	45	62
	24%	23%	25%	23%	25%	24%	27%	15%	27%	29%	25%	22%	21%	31%	23%	17%	22%	29%	21%	14%	46%
Don't know	123	38	84	18	21	21	25	7	30	30	37	19	36	47	29	34	4	9	15	25	17
	12%	8%	16%	16%	11%	11%	15%	6%	15%	13%	13%	9%	13%	18%	11%	13%	3%	10%	10%	8%	13%

Opinion Poll

Fieldwork : April 10th-12th 2003

Absolutes/col percents

Table 9
Q.7 Which party do you most trust to take the right decisions when it comes to the level of taxes?

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	1004	492	512	112	193	193	173	132	202	239	279	209	278	267	259	251	138	89	152	324	134
Labour	309 31%	159 32%	151 29%	37 33%	63 32%	55 28%	51 29%	46 35%	59 29%	70 29%	77 28%	61 29%	101 36%	70 26%	88 34%	82 33%	44 32%	24 27%	5 3%	237 73%	21 16%
Liberal Democrat	93 9%	50 10%	43 8%	11 10%	24 13%	18 9%	19 11%	8 6%	12 6%	24 10%	36 13%	17 8%	16 6%	29 11%	27 10%	18 7%	12 8%	8 9%	7 5%	8 2%	54 41%
Conservative	172 17%	98 20%	75 15%	11 10%	19 10%	30 15%	34 20%	28 21%	51 25%	49 20%	47 17%	36 17%	41 15%	49 19%	49 19%	47 19%	19 14%	8 9%	104 68%	13 4%	13 10%
Other	34 3%	15 3%	19 4%	- -	12 6%	8 4%	4 2%	3 2%	7 4%	9 4%	7 3%	6 3%	12 4%	15 5%	5 2%	4 2%	2 2%	8 9%	6 4%	5 2%	3 2%
None of them	179 18%	90 18%	90 17%	20 18%	36 18%	48 25%	34 20%	23 18%	18 9%	51 21%	50 18%	38 18%	41 15%	41 15%	47 18%	49 19%	27 19%	15 17%	15 10%	27 8%	20 15%
Don't know	216 22%	82 17%	135 26%	32 29%	39 20%	34 18%	31 18%	24 18%	55 27%	38 16%	62 22%	51 24%	66 24%	63 24%	43 16%	51 20%	34 25%	26 29%	15 10%	34 10%	23 17%

Opinion Poll

Fieldwork : April 10th-12th 2003

Absolutes/col percents

Table 10
Q.7 Which party do you most trust to take the right decisions when it comes to the level of public spending?

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	1004	492	512	112	193	193	173	132	202	239	279	209	278	267	259	251	138	89	152	324	134
Labour	362 36%	196 40%	165 32%	49 44%	75 39%	68 35%	62 36%	47 36%	60 29%	88 37%	90 32%	80 38%	104 37%	97 36%	88 34%	101 40%	46 33%	29 32%	16 10%	257 79%	23 17%
Liberal Democrat	113 11%	57 12%	55 11%	13 12%	30 15%	20 10%	22 13%	11 8%	17 8%	27 11%	42 15%	19 9%	24 9%	32 12%	35 14%	26 11%	13 10%	6 7%	10 7%	7 2%	65 48%
Conservative	176 18%	94 19%	82 16%	10 9%	18 9%	29 15%	30 17%	35 27%	54 27%	52 22%	46 17%	29 14%	48 17%	45 17%	49 19%	43 17%	29 21%	9 10%	101 67%	13 4%	15 11%
Other	29 3%	12 2%	17 3%	2 2%	5 2%	11 6%	4 2%	3 2%	5 3%	7 3%	5 2%	9 4%	7 3%	9 3%	6 2%	4 2%	2 2%	8 9%	2 1%	3 1%	- -
None of them	126 13%	60 12%	66 13%	7 6%	24 12%	30 16%	27 15%	19 14%	20 10%	26 11%	36 13%	29 14%	34 12%	26 10%	34 13%	34 13%	23 17%	9 11%	12 8%	14 4%	8 6%
Don't know	199 20%	74 15%	125 24%	31 28%	42 22%	35 18%	28 16%	16 12%	47 23%	39 16%	58 21%	43 20%	60 22%	58 22%	47 18%	42 17%	25 18%	28 31%	11 7%	32 10%	24 18%

Opinion Poll

Fieldwork : April 10th-12th 2003

Absolutes/col percents

Table 11
Q.7 Which party do you most trust to take the right decisions when it comes to managing the economy overall?

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	1004	492	512	112	193	193	173	132	202	239	279	209	278	267	259	251	138	89	152	324	134
Labour	391 39%	204 41%	188 37%	45 40%	82 43%	74 38%	73 42%	47 36%	71 35%	97 41%	99 36%	76 36%	119 43%	103 39%	100 39%	107 43%	50 36%	31 35%	11 7%	277 85%	33 25%
Liberal Democrat	82 8%	38 8%	44 9%	10 9%	23 12%	17 9%	13 8%	7 5%	11 6%	16 7%	27 10%	17 8%	22 8%	27 10%	23 9%	18 7%	8 6%	7 7%	-	6 2%	57 43%
Conservative	213 21%	115 23%	98 19%	18 16%	24 12%	37 19%	35 20%	41 31%	59 29%	64 27%	59 21%	42 20%	48 17%	57 21%	60 23%	53 21%	30 22%	12 14%	117 77%	12 4%	18 13%
Other	26 3%	12 2%	15 3%	1 1%	6 3%	9 5%	2 1%	3 3%	5 2%	7 3%	6 2%	5 3%	8 3%	8 3%	5 2%	2 1%	3 2%	8 9%	3 2%	-	-
None of them	127 13%	58 12%	69 13%	12 11%	28 15%	25 13%	30 18%	17 13%	14 7%	28 12%	38 14%	28 13%	33 12%	25 9%	33 13%	32 13%	23 17%	13 15%	9 6%	13 4%	13 9%
Don't know	165 16%	65 13%	99 19%	26 23%	30 15%	31 16%	19 11%	16 12%	42 21%	26 11%	49 18%	41 20%	49 18%	47 18%	37 14%	39 15%	23 17%	18 20%	12 8%	16 5%	13 10%

Opinion Poll

Fieldwork : April 10th-12th 2003

Absolutes/col percents

Table 12

Q.7 Which party do you most trust to take the right decisions when it comes to whether or not Britain should join the Euro?

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	1004	492	512	112	193	193	173	132	202	239	279	209	278	267	259	251	138	89	152	324	134
Labour	314	178	136	41	61	59	59	43	50	84	73	67	91	71	74	85	49	35	14	213	25
	31%	36%	27%	37%	32%	31%	34%	33%	25%	35%	26%	32%	33%	27%	28%	34%	36%	39%	9%	66%	18%
Liberal Democrat	98	56	41	15	25	17	22	11	8	25	37	13	23	30	28	21	14	5	1	16	56
	10%	11%	8%	13%	13%	9%	13%	9%	4%	10%	13%	6%	8%	11%	11%	8%	10%	6%	1%	5%	41%
Conservative	205	108	97	16	35	36	27	30	62	51	69	34	51	62	60	48	26	10	99	19	17
	20%	22%	19%	14%	18%	19%	15%	22%	31%	21%	25%	16%	18%	23%	23%	19%	19%	11%	65%	6%	12%
Other	29	15	14	1	4	9	5	2	9	3	11	7	8	11	6	3	2	6	2	5	-
	3%	3%	3%	1%	2%	5%	3%	2%	4%	1%	4%	4%	3%	4%	2%	1%	2%	7%	1%	2%	-
None of them	120	64	57	9	24	29	25	17	16	28	27	29	35	29	32	33	22	4	18	18	14
	12%	13%	11%	8%	12%	15%	15%	13%	8%	12%	10%	14%	13%	11%	12%	13%	16%	5%	12%	6%	10%
Don't know	238	71	167	30	44	43	34	28	58	47	61	59	70	64	60	61	25	29	18	53	24
	24%	14%	33%	27%	23%	22%	20%	22%	28%	20%	22%	28%	25%	24%	23%	24%	18%	33%	12%	16%	18%

Opinion Poll

Fieldwork : April 10th-12th 2003

Absolutes/col percents

Table 13

Q.8 Thinking about the Chancellor's Budget announcements this week, do you think that overall they were good or bad (very/fairly) or made no real difference for you and your family?

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	1004	492	512	112	193	193	173	132	202	239	279	209	278	267	259	251	138	89	152	324	134
NET: Good	138	61	77	17	32	29	17	19	25	28	30	38	42	36	40	32	20	10	14	63	17
	14%	12%	15%	15%	16%	15%	10%	15%	12%	12%	11%	18%	15%	14%	15%	13%	15%	11%	9%	19%	13%
Very good	(+2)	13	2	11	-	3	3	1	3	4	3	-	2	8	3	1	7	1	-	7	1
		1%	*	2%	-	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	-	1%	3%	1%	*	3%	1%	-	2%	1%
Fairly good	(+1)	125	60	66	17	29	26	16	17	21	25	30	36	34	33	39	25	19	14	55	16
		12%	12%	13%	15%	15%	14%	9%	13%	10%	11%	11%	17%	12%	12%	15%	10%	14%	10%	9%	17%
Made no real difference	(0)	581	288	292	53	103	107	100	82	134	129	162	118	171	147	151	140	83	59	92	202
		58%	59%	57%	48%	53%	56%	58%	62%	66%	54%	58%	56%	62%	55%	58%	56%	60%	66%	60%	62%
Very bad	(-1)	62	42	21	12	8	10	11	7	14	16	17	12	17	13	16	22	5	6	14	11
		6%	8%	4%	11%	4%	5%	6%	5%	7%	7%	6%	6%	6%	5%	6%	9%	4%	7%	9%	3%
Fairly bad	(-2)	125	57	68	17	31	23	27	15	13	41	39	20	24	42	27	30	16	9	29	18
		12%	12%	13%	15%	16%	12%	16%	11%	6%	17%	14%	10%	9%	16%	10%	12%	12%	10%	19%	6%
NET: Bad		187	98	89	29	39	33	38	22	27	58	56	32	41	56	42	52	22	15	42	29
		19%	20%	17%	26%	20%	17%	22%	16%	13%	24%	20%	15%	15%	21%	16%	21%	16%	28%	9%	17%
Don't know		98	44	54	13	20	24	17	9	16	24	30	21	24	28	25	26	13	6	4	30
		10%	9%	11%	11%	10%	12%	10%	7%	8%	10%	11%	10%	9%	11%	10%	10%	9%	6%	3%	9%
Mean		-0.18	-0.21	-0.15	-0.29	-0.20	-0.14	-0.30	-0.12	-0.06	-0.32	-0.26	-0.07	-0.06	-0.25	-0.12	-0.20	-0.14	-0.14	-0.38	0.08
Standard deviation		0.88	0.84	0.93	0.94	0.97	0.89	0.89	0.86	0.74	0.96	0.87	0.86	0.84	0.95	0.83	0.91	0.86	0.80	0.90	0.76
Standard error		0.03	0.04	0.04	0.11	0.08	0.06	0.07	0.07	0.06	0.07	0.05	0.06	0.06	0.05	0.06	0.08	0.09	0.07	0.05	0.08

Opinion Poll

Fieldwork : April 10th-12th 2003

Absolutes/col percents

Table 14

Q.8 Thinking about the Chancellor's Budget announcements this week, do you think that overall they were good or bad (very/fairly) or made no real difference for the country as a whole?

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-o-crats
Weighted base	1004	492	512	112	193	193	173	132	202	239	279	209	278	267	259	251	138	89	152	324	134
NET: Good	288 29%	140 29%	148 29%	45 41%	54 28%	48 25%	43 25%	40 30%	58 29%	62 26%	82 29%	62 30%	83 30%	77 29%	69 27%	71 28%	42 30%	29 32%	33 22%	139 43%	32 24%
Very good	(+2) 27 3%	17 4%	9 2%	5 5%	4 2%	3 2%	3 2%	6 5%	5 3%	3 1%	6 2%	7 3%	11 4%	4 1%	9 3%	8 3%	4 3%	1 2%	3 2%	17 5%	5 4%
Fairly good	(+1) 262 26%	123 25%	139 27%	40 36%	50 26%	45 23%	41 23%	34 25%	52 26%	59 25%	76 27%	55 26%	72 26%	73 27%	60 23%	63 25%	38 27%	28 31%	30 20%	122 37%	27 20%
Made no real difference	(0) 373 37%	194 39%	179 35%	31 28%	56 29%	79 41%	69 40%	51 39%	87 43%	91 38%	96 35%	81 39%	104 38%	97 36%	100 39%	99 40%	46 34%	31 34%	63 41%	101 31%	57 43%
Very bad	(-1) 53 5%	32 6%	21 4%	5 5%	16 8%	11 6%	14 8%	5 4%	2 1%	17 7%	14 5%	14 7%	8 3%	13 5%	12 5%	17 7%	7 5%	3 3%	13 9%	10 3%	8 6%
Fairly bad	(-2) 136 14%	62 13%	74 14%	19 17%	36 19%	21 11%	17 10%	21 16%	21 11%	35 15%	40 14%	27 13%	34 12%	32 12%	39 15%	32 13%	21 15%	12 14%	30 20%	31 10%	16 12%
NET: Bad	189 19%	94 19%	95 18%	24 22%	52 27%	33 17%	31 18%	26 20%	23 11%	53 22%	54 20%	40 19%	42 15%	45 17%	52 20%	49 20%	28 20%	15 17%	43 28%	41 13%	24 18%
Don't know	154 15%	63 13%	90 18%	11 10%	31 16%	34 18%	29 17%	14 11%	34 17%	33 14%	46 17%	26 12%	49 18%	48 18%	38 15%	31 12%	22 16%	15 17%	13 8%	44 14%	21 16%
Mean	-0.01	*	-0.03	0.07	-0.18	-0.02	-0.01	-0.01	0.11	-0.11	-0.03	0.01	0.08	0.02	-0.06	-0.01	-0.02	0.04	-0.27	0.30	-0.03
Standard deviation	1.07	1.05	1.08	1.19	1.17	0.98	0.97	1.13	0.98	1.05	1.09	1.05	1.06	1.03	1.10	1.05	1.12	1.08	1.09	1.04	1.03
Standard error	0.04	0.05	0.05	0.13	0.10	0.07	0.08	0.10	0.08	0.08	0.07	0.07	0.08	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.10	0.12	0.09	0.06	0.10

Opinion Poll

Fieldwork : April 10th-12th 2003

Absolutes/col percents

Table 15

Q.9 In the Budget the Chancellor announced a new " Child Trust Fund" under which the government will set aside £250 for every baby born in Britain from last September onwards, and £500 for babies born to the poorest families. Family and friends will also be able to contribute to the fund, which can be spent by the child when they reach the age of 18. Do you think that this sounds like a good idea or not?

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	1004	492	512	112	193	193	173	132	202	239	279	209	278	267	259	251	138	89	152	324	134
Yes	652 65%	330 67%	322 63%	97 86%	146 75%	127 66%	98 57%	87 66%	98 49%	144 60%	192 69%	145 70%	170 61%	160 60%	166 64%	167 67%	92 66%	67 75%	74 49%	250 77%	92 69%
No	307 31%	140 29%	167 33%	14 12%	43 22%	58 30%	67 39%	36 28%	88 44%	85 36%	76 27%	55 26%	91 33%	88 33%	82 32%	77 31%	43 31%	17 19%	68 45%	68 21%	41 30%
Don't know	45 4%	21 4%	24 5%	1 1%	4 2%	7 4%	8 4%	9 7%	16 8%	10 4%	10 4%	9 4%	17 6%	19 7%	10 4%	6 3%	4 3%	5 6%	10 6%	6 2%	1 1%