

Times Poll

CATI Fieldwork : March 6th-8th 2009

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Table 1

Q.2 If there was a general election tomorrow, which party would you vote for?

Base: All respondents

	Sex		Age							Social Class				Region					Voting Intention		Vote in 2005			Work In...			
	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	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Democ-rat	Labour 2005, Con 2008	Public Sector	Pri-vate Sector
Unweighted base	1504	688	816	120	177	288	306	292	321	450	365	264	425	387	392	379	214	132	406	324	162	291	446	153	59	279	569
Weighted base	1504	724	780	179	238	296	255	224	311	398	438	312	356	402	396	367	213	127	423	286	185	306	366	194	50	273	581
Conservative	423	226	197	48	43	93	70	65	103	129	133	80	81	151	120	70	74	8	423	-	-	245	50	18	50	71	173
	28%	31%	25%	27%	18%	32%	27%	29%	33%	32%	30%	26%	23%	38%	30%	19%	35%	7%	100%	-	-	80%	14%	9%	100%	26%	30%
Labour	286	134	151	28	48	57	47	39	67	72	86	52	75	71	78	80	35	22	-	286	-	6	205	7	-	45	114
	19%	19%	19%	16%	20%	19%	18%	17%	22%	18%	20%	17%	21%	18%	20%	22%	16%	17%	-	100%	-	2%	56%	4%	-	17%	20%
Liberal Democrat	185	97	88	19	30	42	32	31	31	62	56	36	31	48	47	47	29	13	-	-	185	7	23	120	-	42	68
	12%	13%	11%	10%	13%	14%	13%	14%	10%	15%	13%	12%	9%	12%	12%	13%	14%	10%	-	-	100%	2%	6%	62%	-	15%	12%
SNP	39	21	18	7	6	5	9	6	6	12	10	6	11	-	-	-	-	39	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	6	16
	3%	3%	2%	4%	2%	2%	3%	3%	2%	3%	2%	2%	3%	-	-	-	-	31%	-	-	-	-	1%	1%	-	2%	3%
Plaid Cymru	6	2	4	-	-	1	-	2	2	1	3	1	1	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	-
	*	*	1%	-	-	*	-	1%	1%	*	1%	*	*	-	-	-	3%	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	1%	-
The Green Party	33	17	15	6	9	6	5	5	2	8	15	6	3	11	9	10	1	2	-	-	-	1	5	5	-	13	11
	2%	2%	2%	3%	4%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%	3%	2%	1%	3%	2%	3%	1%	1%	-	-	-	*	1%	3%	-	5%	2%
The United Kingdom Independence Party (UKIP)	11	9	2	-	2	2	4	-	4	1	1	6	4	1	6	4	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	-	-	5
	1%	1%	*	-	1%	1%	1%	-	1%	*	*	2%	1%	*	1%	1%	*	-	-	-	-	-	1%	*	-	-	1%
The British National Party (BNP)	10	6	4	2	-	1	1	2	4	1	4	3	3	2	3	4	1	-	-	-	-	1	*	1	-	1	2
	1%	1%	1%	1%	-	*	*	1%	1%	*	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	*	-	-	-	-	*	*	1%	-	*	*
Some other party	6	4	3	-	2	2	1	2	-	1	1	3	1	2	1	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	3	4
	*	1%	*	-	1%	1%	*	1%	-	*	*	1%	*	*	*	*	1%	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	1%	1%
Would not vote at all	212	92	120	42	41	40	38	27	23	28	47	64	73	45	58	66	27	16	-	-	-	14	15	10	-	29	87
	14%	13%	15%	23%	17%	14%	15%	12%	8%	7%	11%	20%	20%	11%	15%	18%	13%	12%	-	-	-	5%	4%	5%	-	11%	15%
Refused	95	42	54	2	6	13	12	23	39	28	22	17	29	22	21	29	15	8	-	-	-	6	12	8	-	16	23
	6%	6%	7%	1%	2%	4%	5%	10%	13%	7%	5%	5%	8%	6%	5%	8%	7%	7%	-	-	-	2%	3%	4%	-	6%	4%
Don't know	198	74	124	25	51	34	36	22	30	56	60	38	44	49	53	54	22	19	-	-	-	26	48	23	-	45	78
	13%	10%	16%	14%	21%	11%	14%	10%	10%	14%	14%	12%	12%	12%	13%	15%	11%	15%	-	-	-	8%	13%	12%	-	17%	13%

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Table 2

Q.1 Many people currently say that they probably won't vote at all, while others say they would definitely vote.

How likely are you, personally, to vote at the next election?

Q.2 If there were a general election tomorrow, which party would you vote for?

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

	Sex		Age							Social Class				Region					Voting Intention		Vote in 2005			Work In...			
	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-crats	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Demo-crats	Labour 2005, Con 2008	Public Sector	Pri-vate Sector
Unweighted base	885	433	453	58	84	173	181	180	210	292	234	142	218	245	226	196	135	84	363	288	144	234	323	110	53	171	332
Weighted base	881	458	422	87	115	183	153	139	203	257	280	165	179	251	229	190	136	74	377	251	165	244	266	142	45	164	338
Conservative	377	203	174	39	36	81	64	61	96	117	120	68	71	132	107	62	68	8	377	-	-	230	45	17	45	63	151
	43%	44%	41%	45%	31%	45%	42%	43%	47%	46%	43%	41%	40%	53%	47%	32%	50%	11%	100%	-	-	94%	17%	12%	100%	38%	45%
Labour	251	119	132	22	39	50	42	36	61	64	81	44	62	62	67	70	32	20	-	251	-	5	189	6	-	43	98
	29%	26%	31%	25%	34%	28%	28%	26%	30%	25%	29%	27%	35%	25%	29%	37%	24%	27%	-	100%	-	2%	71%	4%	-	26%	29%
Liberal Democrat	165	87	78	17	25	37	28	28	29	56	49	33	27	43	40	42	27	13	-	-	165	7	22	110	-	38	59
	19%	19%	19%	19%	22%	20%	18%	20%	14%	22%	18%	20%	15%	17%	18%	22%	20%	18%	-	-	100%	3%	8%	78%	-	23%	17%
SNP	32	17	15	4	4	4	7	6	6	10	9	4	8	-	-	-	-	32	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	5	13
	4%	4%	3%	4%	4%	2%	5%	4%	3%	4%	3%	3%	5%	-	-	-	-	43%	-	-	-	-	1%	1%	-	3%	4%
Plaid Cymru	4	1	3	-	-	1	-	2	2	*	3	*	1	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	2	-
	1%	*	1%	-	-	1%	-	1%	1%	*	1%	*	*	-	-	-	3%	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	1%	-
The Green Party	27	15	12	4	8	5	5	4	1	7	12	5	3	10	7	8	1	1	-	-	-	1	4	5	-	11	9
	3%	3%	3%	5%	7%	3%	3%	3%	*	3%	4%	3%	1%	4%	3%	4%	1%	2%	-	-	-	*	1%	4%	-	7%	3%
The United Kingdom Independence Party (UKIP)	11	8	2	-	2	1	4	-	4	1	1	6	4	1	6	4	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	-	-	5
	1%	2%	1%	-	2%	1%	2%	-	2%	*	*	3%	2%	*	2%	2%	*	-	-	-	-	-	1%	1%	-	-	1%
The British National Party (BNP)	8	5	4	1	-	1	1	1	4	1	3	2	3	2	2	3	1	-	-	-	-	1	*	1	-	1	1
	1%	1%	1%	1%	-	1%	1%	1%	2%	*	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%	-	-	-	-	*	*	1%	-	*	*
Some other party	5	3	2	-	1	1	1	2	-	1	1	3	*	2	*	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	3
	1%	1%	*	-	1%	1%	1%	1%	-	*	*	2%	*	1%	*	1%	2%	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	1%	1%

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Table 3
Published voting intention figures

	<u>Total</u>
Conservative	42%
Labour	30%
Liberal Democrat/ Liberal	19%
Scottish National Party/SNP	3%
Plaid Cymru	*
Other	6%

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Table 4

Q.4 With Britain's economy facing problems in the months or years ahead, who do you most trust to deal with it in the best interests of Britain?

Base: All "Sample A" respondents

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention		Vote in 2005			Work In...			
	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-crat	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Dem-o-crat	Labour 2005, Con 2008	Public Sector	Pri-vate Sector
Unweighted base	752	345	407	63	92	159	155	134	149	226	201	136	189	194	198	189	106	65	207	169	81	153	217	74	24	130	313
Weighted base	752	359	393	90	126	160	132	101	142	197	238	154	162	208	201	178	100	65	218	146	91	163	176	95	19	122	321
David Cameron & the Shadow Chancellor of the Exchequer George Osborne	277	135	142	30	38	59	46	41	64	72	92	56	57	93	82	54	37	11	178	11	15	128	27	24	12	34	125
	37%	38%	36%	33%	30%	37%	35%	40%	45%	37%	39%	36%	35%	45%	41%	31%	37%	17%	81%	7%	17%	78%	15%	26%	65%	28%	39%
Gordon Brown & the Chancellor of the Exchequer Alistair Darling	247	138	109	38	42	53	46	33	35	72	84	47	44	53	67	64	34	28	21	119	42	12	112	37	4	45	116
	33%	38%	28%	42%	34%	33%	35%	32%	25%	36%	35%	31%	27%	26%	33%	36%	34%	44%	9%	81%	46%	7%	63%	40%	22%	37%	36%
Neither	155	64	91	12	26	32	33	24	29	33	47	34	41	43	35	40	22	16	11	10	30	17	24	31	2	25	52
	21%	18%	23%	13%	20%	20%	25%	24%	21%	17%	20%	22%	25%	21%	17%	23%	22%	24%	5%	7%	33%	10%	14%	33%	10%	21%	16%
Don't know	72	21	51	11	20	17	6	4	14	20	15	16	20	18	18	19	8	9	8	8	4	7	13	2	1	17	27
	10%	6%	13%	12%	16%	11%	5%	4%	10%	10%	6%	11%	12%	9%	9%	11%	8%	14%	4%	5%	4%	4%	8%	2%	3%	14%	8%

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Q.5 I'd like to ask how optimistic or pessimistic you are about Britain's economy. Thinking about all the things that may affect the economy - such as changes in salaries and wages, the level of interest rates and tax, the rates of inflation and unemployment, and the strength of the pound - how do you think the British economy will fare over the next year...?

For the country as a whole

Base: All "Sample A" respondents

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			Vote in 2005			Work In...			
	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	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Democ-rat	Labour 2005, Con 2008	Public Sector	Pri-vate Sector	
Unweighted base	752	345	407	63	92	159	155	134	149	226	201	136	189	194	198	189	106	65	207	169	81	153	217	74	24	130	313	
Weighted base	752	359	393	90	126	160	132	101	142	197	238	154	162	208	201	178	100	65	218	146	91	163	176	95	19	122	321	
NET: Well	148 20%	74 21%	75 19%	22 24%	24 19%	27 17%	13 10%	23 22%	40 28%	46 23%	37 15%	28 18%	38 23%	36 18%	44 22%	35 19%	14 14%	19 30%	34 16%	55 37%	9 10%	25 15%	51 29%	6 7%	4 22%	20 16%	59 18%	
Very well	(4) 3%	21 4%	13 2%	9 6%	6 3%	4 1%	1 1%	2 2%	7 5%	7 4%	5 2%	3 2%	6 4%	7 3%	4 2%	6 3%	2 2%	3 5%	5 2%	7 5%	2 2%	4 2%	5 3%	3 3%	- -	3 2%	10 3%	
Quite well	(3) 17%	127 17%	61 17%	66 17%	16 17%	20 16%	26 16%	12 9%	21 20%	33 23%	38 19%	32 13%	25 17%	31 19%	29 14%	40 20%	29 16%	12 12%	16 25%	30 14%	47 32%	7 8%	21 13%	46 26%	4 4%	17 14%	49 15%	
Quite badly	(2) 48%	357 49%	175 46%	182 46%	48 53%	68 54%	88 55%	64 48%	41 40%	99 50%	132 55%	63 41%	63 39%	102 49%	95 47%	80 45%	53 53%	27 41%	103 47%	68 47%	53 58%	79 48%	84 48%	53 56%	6 29%	59 49%	175 55%	
Very badly	(1) 31%	232 31%	102 28%	130 33%	18 20%	32 25%	44 28%	52 39%	35 34%	51 36%	49 25%	69 29%	60 39%	55 34%	67 32%	57 28%	61 34%	31 31%	16 25%	81 37%	21 14%	29 31%	60 37%	38 22%	32 34%	9 49%	41 33%	81 25%
NET: Badly	589 78%	277 77%	312 79%	66 73%	100 80%	132 83%	116 88%	75 74%	99 70%	148 75%	201 84%	123 80%	117 72%	170 82%	152 76%	141 79%	84 84%	43 66%	184 84%	89 61%	81 89%	139 85%	123 70%	86 91%	15 78%	100 82%	257 80%	
Don't know	14 2%	8 2%	7 2%	2 3%	2 1%	1 *	3 2%	3 3%	3 2%	4 2%	1 *	2 2%	7 5%	2 1%	5 3%	2 1%	2 2%	2 4%	- -	3 2%	1 1%	- -	3 2%	3 3%	- -	2 1%	5 2%	
Mean	1.92	1.96	1.88	2.10	1.96	1.90	1.71	1.90	1.97	2.02	1.89	1.81	1.93	1.88	1.95	1.88	1.84	2.10	1.81	2.29	1.81	1.81	2.10	1.75	1.73	1.85	1.96	
Standard deviation	0.77	0.78	0.76	0.81	0.74	0.68	0.68	0.80	0.90	0.78	0.70	0.78	0.85	0.77	0.76	0.80	0.69	0.84	0.75	0.77	0.67	0.75	0.77	0.67	0.82	0.75	0.74	
Standard error	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.10	0.08	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.07	0.05	0.05	0.07	0.06	0.06	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.11	0.05	0.06	0.08	0.06	0.05	0.08	0.17	0.07	0.04	

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For you and your family

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Unweighted base	752	345	407	63	92	159	155	134	149	226	201	136	189	194	198	189	106	65	207	169	81	153	217	74	24	130	313	
Weighted base	752	359	393	90	126	160	132	101	142	197	238	154	162	208	201	178	100	65	218	146	91	163	176	95	19	122	321	
NET: Well	351 47%	204 57%	147 37%	47 52%	70 56%	78 49%	47 36%	49 48%	59 42%	117 59%	110 46%	61 40%	63 39%	99 48%	98 49%	81 46%	38 38%	35 55%	101 46%	79 54%	41 45%	72 44%	90 51%	43 45%	11 57%	68 56%	173 54%	
Very well	(4) 5%	40 6%	23 4%	17 12%	11 7%	9 5%	8 3%	4 2%	2 4%	6 7%	14 4%	10 6%	9 4%	7 4%	12 6%	6 3%	13 7%	3 3%	6 10%	12 6%	14 9%	1 1%	11 7%	11 6%	3 4%	2 8%	6 5%	24 7%
Quite well	(3) 41%	311 51%	181 33%	130 40%	62 49%	70 44%	43 33%	47 46%	53 37%	103 52%	100 42%	52 34%	56 34%	87 42%	92 46%	68 38%	35 35%	29 45%	88 41%	65 44%	40 44%	61 37%	79 45%	39 42%	9 49%	62 51%	149 47%	
Quite badly	(2) 36%	270 30%	107 42%	163 41%	37 29%	36 42%	67 36%	48 32%	33 35%	49 32%	64 39%	93 39%	60 32%	53 37%	78 36%	73 30%	54 46%	19 29%	84 39%	50 34%	35 38%	67 41%	57 32%	36 38%	5 25%	40 33%	116 36%	
Very badly	(1) 15%	112 12%	43 18%	69 18%	5 5%	18 14%	12 7%	32 25%	18 18%	27 19%	15 8%	27 11%	31 20%	39 24%	29 14%	27 13%	35 19%	15 15%	29 10%	14 13%	13 15%	22 13%	24 13%	15 16%	3 15%	11 9%	27 8%	
NET: Badly	382 51%	149 42%	232 59%	42 47%	54 43%	79 49%	80 61%	50 50%	76 54%	79 40%	121 51%	90 59%	92 57%	107 51%	100 50%	88 50%	61 61%	26 40%	113 52%	65 44%	48 52%	89 54%	81 46%	50 53%	8 40%	52 42%	143 45%	
Don't know	19 3%	5 1%	14 4%	1 1%	2 1%	3 2%	5 4%	2 2%	6 5%	1 1%	7 3%	3 2%	8 5%	2 1%	4 2%	9 5%	1 1%	4 6%	4 2%	3 2%	2 2%	2 1%	6 3%	1 1%	* 3%	2 2%	4 1%	
Mean	2.38	2.52	2.25	2.60	2.50	2.47	2.15	2.33	2.28	2.59	2.40	2.26	2.20	2.40	2.39	2.35	2.26	2.58	2.39	2.55	2.33	2.38	2.46	2.34	2.51	2.53	2.54	
Standard deviation	0.81	0.79	0.80	0.77	0.83	0.71	0.84	0.79	0.83	0.73	0.75	0.85	0.87	0.80	0.76	0.89	0.75	0.83	0.79	0.80	0.74	0.81	0.81	0.79	0.87	0.73	0.76	
Standard error	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.10	0.09	0.06	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.05	0.05	0.07	0.07	0.06	0.05	0.07	0.07	0.11	0.06	0.06	0.08	0.07	0.06	0.09	0.18	0.06	0.04	

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For people who work in the public sector

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	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			Vote in 2005			Work In...			
	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	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Democ-rat	Labour 2005, Con 2008	Public Sector	Pri-vate Sector	
Unweighted base	752	345	407	63	92	159	155	134	149	226	201	136	189	194	198	189	106	65	207	169	81	153	217	74	24	130	313	
Weighted base	752	359	393	90	126	160	132	101	142	197	238	154	162	208	201	178	100	65	218	146	91	163	176	95	19	122	321	
NET: Well	298	164	134	34	57	76	46	36	51	92	106	53	48	84	78	74	32	30	81	69	32	61	82	37	7	55	137	
	40%	46%	34%	37%	45%	47%	35%	35%	36%	46%	45%	35%	29%	41%	39%	42%	32%	46%	37%	47%	35%	37%	47%	39%	39%	45%	43%	
Very well	(4)	59	28	31	9	10	18	9	6	7	18	17	15	10	16	16	18	3	5	14	10	5	16	8	8	1	8	32
		8%	8%	8%	10%	8%	11%	6%	6%	5%	9%	7%	10%	6%	8%	8%	10%	3%	8%	6%	7%	5%	10%	5%	9%	4%	6%	10%
Quite well	(3)	239	137	103	24	47	57	38	29	44	73	89	38	38	68	63	56	28	24	67	58	27	45	73	28	7	47	106
		32%	38%	26%	27%	37%	36%	29%	29%	31%	37%	37%	25%	24%	33%	31%	32%	28%	38%	31%	40%	29%	28%	42%	30%	34%	39%	33%
Quite badly	(2)	317	137	180	48	49	64	60	39	58	86	92	75	65	89	90	68	50	20	104	62	37	70	70	37	9	54	139
		42%	38%	46%	53%	39%	40%	46%	38%	41%	43%	39%	49%	40%	43%	44%	38%	50%	32%	48%	43%	41%	43%	40%	46%	44%	43%	
Very badly	(1)	115	44	71	6	17	17	23	21	32	15	35	24	41	30	29	31	15	11	31	14	20	30	20	19	3	13	32
		15%	12%	18%	6%	13%	11%	17%	21%	23%	8%	15%	16%	25%	14%	14%	17%	15%	17%	14%	10%	21%	18%	11%	20%	15%	11%	10%
NET: Badly		433	181	251	53	66	81	83	60	90	101	127	99	106	119	119	98	66	31	135	77	57	99	90	56	12	67	171
		58%	51%	64%	59%	52%	51%	63%	59%	63%	51%	53%	65%	65%	57%	59%	55%	66%	49%	62%	52%	62%	61%	51%	59%	61%	55%	53%
Don't know		20	13	8	3	4	4	3	5	1	5	5	1	9	5	4	5	3	3	2	1	3	3	4	2	-	-	12
		3%	4%	2%	4%	3%	2%	2%	5%	1%	3%	2%	1%	5%	2%	2%	3%	3%	5%	1%	1%	3%	2%	2%	2%	-	-	4%
Mean		2.33	2.43	2.24	2.43	2.41	2.49	2.25	2.22	2.18	2.49	2.38	2.28	2.11	2.35	2.33	2.36	2.20	2.40	2.29	2.45	2.19	2.29	2.41	2.28	2.28	2.41	2.44
Standard deviation		0.84	0.82	0.85	0.77	0.82	0.84	0.82	0.87	0.85	0.77	0.83	0.85	0.87	0.83	0.83	0.89	0.74	0.89	0.79	0.77	0.84	0.88	0.76	0.90	0.79	0.77	0.81
Standard error		0.03	0.04	0.04	0.10	0.09	0.07	0.07	0.08	0.07	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.07	0.06	0.06	0.07	0.07	0.11	0.06	0.06	0.10	0.07	0.05	0.11	0.16	0.07	0.05

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Table 8

Q.5 I'd like to ask how optimistic or pessimistic you are about Britain's economy. Thinking about all the things that may affect the economy - such as changes in salaries and wages, the level of interest rates and tax, the rates of inflation and unemployment, and the strength of the pound - how do you think the British economy will fare over the next year...?

For people who work in the private sector

Base: All "Sample A" respondents

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention		Vote in 2005			Work In...				
	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	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Democ-rat	Labour 2005, Con 2008	Public Sector	Pri-vate Sector	
Unweighted base	752	345	407	63	92	159	155	134	149	226	201	136	189	194	198	189	106	65	207	169	81	153	217	74	24	130	313	
Weighted base	752	359	393	90	126	160	132	101	142	197	238	154	162	208	201	178	100	65	218	146	91	163	176	95	19	122	321	
NET: Well	220	88	132	36	35	43	32	23	51	48	65	48	58	51	71	53	29	16	65	48	19	42	55	18	3	29	85	
	29%	24%	34%	40%	28%	27%	24%	23%	36%	24%	27%	31%	36%	24%	35%	30%	29%	25%	30%	33%	20%	26%	31%	20%	18%	24%	27%	
Very well	(4)	45	19	27	12	6	7	8	6	8	10	19	10	7	5	19	13	6	2	8	8	5	7	12	6	-	8	16
		6%	5%	7%	13%	4%	4%	6%	6%	6%	5%	8%	6%	4%	3%	9%	7%	6%	4%	4%	6%	5%	4%	7%	6%	-	7%	5%
Quite well	(3)	174	69	106	24	30	36	25	18	43	39	46	38	51	45	52	40	23	14	57	40	14	35	43	13	3	21	69
		23%	19%	27%	27%	23%	22%	19%	17%	30%	20%	19%	25%	31%	22%	26%	23%	23%	21%	26%	27%	15%	22%	25%	14%	18%	17%	21%
Quite badly	(2)	330	171	159	32	54	78	62	45	59	102	112	64	52	96	86	79	45	24	105	59	48	89	77	45	12	59	160
		44%	48%	41%	36%	43%	49%	47%	45%	41%	51%	47%	41%	32%	46%	42%	45%	45%	37%	48%	40%	52%	54%	44%	48%	62%	49%	50%
Very badly	(1)	179	90	89	16	33	38	34	28	30	44	55	39	41	57	40	41	22	20	46	38	23	30	41	29	4	32	67
		24%	25%	23%	18%	26%	24%	26%	27%	21%	22%	23%	25%	26%	27%	20%	23%	22%	31%	21%	26%	25%	18%	23%	31%	20%	26%	21%
NET: Badly		509	261	248	48	87	116	96	73	89	146	167	102	94	153	125	121	67	44	151	97	70	118	118	75	16	91	227
		68%	73%	63%	54%	69%	73%	72%	72%	63%	74%	70%	67%	58%	74%	62%	68%	67%	68%	69%	67%	77%	72%	67%	79%	82%	75%	71%
Don't know		22	10	12	6	4	1	4	5	2	3	6	3	10	4	6	4	4	5	2	1	3	3	2	1	-	2	9
		3%	3%	3%	7%	3%	*	3%	5%	2%	2%	2%	2%	6%	2%	3%	2%	4%	7%	1%	*	3%	2%	1%	1%	-	2%	3%
Mean		2.12	2.05	2.18	2.37	2.06	2.07	2.05	2.01	2.20	2.07	2.13	2.13	2.16	2.00	2.25	2.15	2.14	1.98	2.12	2.12	2.01	2.12	2.15	1.94	1.97	2.05	2.11
Standard deviation		0.85	0.82	0.87	0.95	0.83	0.80	0.84	0.84	0.85	0.79	0.86	0.87	0.88	0.78	0.89	0.87	0.84	0.86	0.78	0.87	0.79	0.75	0.86	0.83	0.63	0.84	0.80
Standard error		0.03	0.04	0.04	0.12	0.09	0.06	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.05	0.06	0.08	0.07	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.08	0.11	0.05	0.07	0.09	0.06	0.06	0.10	0.13	0.07	0.05

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Table 9

Q.6 Which of the three main political parties would do the best job on each of the following?**Base: All "Sample B" respondents**

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			Vote in 2005			Work In...		
	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	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Dem-ocrat	Labour 2005, Con 2008	Public Sector	Pri-vate Sector
Unweighted base	752	343	409	57	85	129	151	158	172	224	164	128	236	193	194	190	108	67	199	155	81	138	229	79	35	149	256
Weighted base	752	365	387	89	112	137	123	123	169	201	200	158	194	194	195	189	113	62	205	140	93	143	190	100	31	151	260
Improving the National Health Service																											
Labour	260	134	126	27	44	43	43	44	59	62	77	51	70	70	59	63	42	26	29	115	21	18	126	15	7	44	99
	35%	37%	32%	30%	40%	31%	35%	36%	35%	31%	39%	32%	36%	36%	30%	33%	37%	42%	14%	82%	23%	13%	66%	15%	24%	29%	38%
Conservative	206	97	109	22	23	42	34	34	52	61	51	45	50	60	69	38	31	9	130	5	14	91	27	15	17	51	59
	27%	27%	28%	24%	20%	31%	28%	27%	31%	30%	25%	28%	26%	31%	35%	20%	27%	14%	63%	4%	15%	64%	14%	15%	53%	34%	23%
Liberal Democrat	131	71	61	12	15	32	26	23	23	45	31	29	28	35	32	37	17	11	23	6	49	17	17	56	4	32	50
	17%	19%	16%	14%	14%	23%	21%	19%	13%	22%	15%	18%	14%	18%	16%	19%	15%	17%	11%	4%	52%	12%	9%	56%	14%	21%	19%
Refused	24	9	15	4	3	5	1	6	6	6	2	9	7	2	5	7	4	7	1	-	2	3	2	2	-	3	6
	3%	3%	4%	4%	3%	3%	1%	4%	4%	3%	1%	6%	4%	1%	2%	4%	3%	10%	1%	-	3%	2%	1%	2%	-	2%	2%
Don't know	131	54	77	24	27	15	19	16	30	28	39	25	40	26	31	44	20	10	22	13	7	13	18	11	3	21	46
	17%	15%	20%	27%	24%	11%	15%	13%	18%	14%	20%	16%	21%	14%	16%	23%	17%	16%	11%	9%	8%	9%	9%	11%	9%	14%	18%
Manage Britain's economy well in bad times as well as good																											
Labour	214	104	110	24	37	37	36	28	51	57	49	41	67	55	55	51	31	23	13	111	19	11	107	19	-	44	72
	28%	28%	28%	27%	34%	27%	29%	23%	30%	28%	25%	26%	35%	28%	28%	27%	28%	36%	7%	80%	20%	8%	57%	19%	-	29%	28%
Conservative	256	138	118	27	24	51	46	43	65	71	74	48	62	77	74	53	40	12	166	5	12	112	35	18	27	50	96
	34%	38%	30%	30%	22%	38%	38%	35%	38%	36%	37%	30%	32%	40%	38%	28%	35%	20%	81%	4%	13%	78%	18%	18%	88%	33%	37%
Liberal Democrat	107	50	57	9	19	25	16	20	18	34	27	29	17	29	22	34	15	8	4	4	58	2	15	55	2	25	35
	14%	14%	15%	10%	17%	19%	13%	16%	11%	17%	13%	19%	9%	15%	11%	18%	13%	13%	2%	3%	62%	1%	8%	55%	6%	16%	13%
Refused	25	12	13	4	1	5	3	6	5	5	4	9	7	1	5	8	2	8	1	2	1	4	5	-	-	5	5
	3%	3%	3%	4%	1%	4%	3%	5%	3%	3%	2%	6%	4%	1%	3%	4%	2%	13%	1%	2%	1%	3%	3%	-	-	3%	2%
Don't know	150	61	89	26	29	18	22	26	29	34	46	31	39	32	39	43	25	11	20	17	3	14	28	7	2	27	52
	20%	17%	23%	29%	26%	13%	18%	21%	17%	17%	23%	20%	20%	17%	20%	23%	22%	18%	10%	12%	4%	10%	15%	7%	6%	18%	20%

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	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-cratt	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Demo-cratt	Labour 2005, Con 2008	Public Sector	Pri-vate Sector
Weighted base	752	365	387	89	112	137	123	123	169	201	200	158	194	194	195	189	113	62	205	140	93	143	190	100	31	151	260
Improving standards in schools																											
Labour	249 33%	131 36%	118 30%	35 39%	39 35%	46 33%	44 36%	32 26%	53 31%	61 31%	72 36%	51 33%	64 33%	76 39%	53 27%	66 35%	28 25%	25 41%	36 17%	110 79%	16 17%	17 12%	115 60%	17 18%	7 23%	51 34%	90 34%
Conservative	212 28%	109 30%	103 27%	16 18%	18 16%	41 30%	36 29%	41 33%	60 36%	64 32%	58 29%	34 22%	56 29%	61 31%	61 31%	42 22%	42 37%	7 12%	137 67%	6 4%	7 8%	101 71%	30 16%	9 9%	19 61%	42 28%	68 26%
Liberal Democrat	121 16%	56 15%	65 17%	11 13%	18 16%	26 19%	20 16%	24 19%	22 13%	35 17%	29 14%	27 17%	30 16%	29 15%	35 18%	27 14%	19 17%	10 16%	15 7%	6 5%	55 59%	8 6%	17 9%	61 61%	2 8%	34 22%	36 14%
Refused	22 3%	11 3%	11 3%	4 4%	1 1%	3 2%	2 2%	6 5%	6 3%	7 3%	- -	8 5%	7 4%	1 1%	5 3%	5 3%	2 2%	8 13%	2 1%	1 *	2 2%	5 3%	1 1%	1 1%	- -	2 2%	6 2%
Don't know	149 20%	58 16%	90 23%	23 26%	35 32%	21 16%	21 17%	20 16%	28 17%	33 17%	42 21%	38 24%	36 19%	27 14%	40 21%	48 26%	22 19%	11 18%	15 7%	17 12%	13 14%	12 8%	27 14%	11 11%	3 8%	21 14%	61 24%
Getting the right balance between taxes and public spending																											
Labour	201 27%	93 25%	109 28%	17 19%	35 31%	39 29%	38 31%	24 19%	49 29%	43 21%	50 25%	42 27%	67 34%	49 25%	48 25%	57 30%	26 23%	22 35%	14 7%	105 75%	9 9%	7 5%	105 55%	8 8%	1 3%	34 23%	75 29%
Conservative	244 32%	139 38%	105 27%	26 29%	25 22%	46 34%	45 36%	41 33%	61 36%	75 37%	62 31%	52 33%	54 28%	74 38%	76 39%	46 24%	39 35%	8 13%	159 77%	13 9%	13 14%	99 70%	38 20%	26 26%	26 83%	45 30%	92 36%
Liberal Democrat	130 17%	70 19%	60 15%	14 16%	20 18%	28 21%	18 15%	26 21%	22 13%	44 22%	32 16%	25 16%	29 15%	34 18%	30 16%	34 18%	20 18%	11 18%	11 5%	3 2%	65 70%	15 11%	18 9%	58 58%	4 12%	37 24%	40 15%
Refused	25 3%	14 4%	12 3%	4 4%	- -	4 3%	4 3%	6 5%	8 4%	4 2%	5 2%	8 5%	8 4%	2 1%	4 2%	7 4%	2 2%	9 14%	3 1%	2 1%	- -	4 3%	4 2%	1 1%	- -	4 3%	4 2%
Don't know	153 20%	49 14%	103 27%	28 31%	32 29%	18 14%	19 15%	27 22%	29 17%	36 18%	51 26%	30 19%	36 18%	35 18%	36 18%	45 24%	25 22%	12 20%	19 9%	16 12%	6 7%	16 12%	26 13%	7 7%	1 3%	31 20%	50 19%

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Weighted base	752	365	387	89	112	137	123	123	169	201	200	158	194	194	195	189	113	62	205	140	93	143	190	100	31	151	260
Dealing effectively with crime and anti-social behaviour																											
Labour	209 28%	98 27%	111 29%	27 30%	39 35%	35 25%	29 23%	25 20%	54 32%	46 23%	52 26%	49 31%	63 33%	55 28%	47 24%	57 30%	26 23%	25 40%	17 8%	100 72%	14 14%	12 8%	100 52%	10 10%	2 5%	35 23%	78 30%
Conservative	278 37%	154 42%	124 32%	24 27%	33 30%	55 41%	50 41%	47 38%	68 40%	91 45%	79 39%	46 29%	62 32%	81 42%	78 40%	63 33%	43 38%	12 19%	165 80%	17 12%	23 25%	109 76%	51 27%	28 29%	27 85%	61 40%	102 39%
Liberal Democrat	91 12%	42 12%	49 13%	10 12%	12 11%	22 16%	13 11%	22 18%	12 7%	23 11%	26 13%	22 14%	21 11%	26 13%	23 12%	18 10%	17 15%	7 12%	4 2%	4 3%	45 48%	3 2%	9 5%	49 50%	1 3%	25 17%	24 9%
Refused	25 3%	14 4%	11 3%	4 4%	1 1%	4 3%	4 3%	7 6%	5 3%	9 4%	1 1%	8 5%	7 4%	2 1%	6 3%	8 4%	1 1%	8 13%	2 1%	1 1%	3 3%	5 3%	2 1%	2 2%	- -	4 2%	7 3%
Don't know	149 20%	57 16%	92 24%	24 27%	25 23%	21 15%	27 22%	22 18%	30 17%	32 16%	42 21%	34 22%	40 21%	30 15%	41 21%	42 22%	25 22%	11 17%	17 8%	9 12%	14 10%	14 10%	28 15%	10 10%	2 7%	26 17%	49 19%
Tackling the problem of climate change																											
Labour	192 25%	97 26%	95 25%	21 23%	30 27%	37 27%	28 23%	27 22%	49 29%	47 24%	43 21%	46 29%	55 28%	50 26%	45 23%	49 26%	25 22%	23 37%	29 14%	87 62%	9 10%	11 8%	90 47%	8 8%	5 17%	32 21%	73 28%
Conservative	154 21%	71 19%	83 21%	15 17%	21 19%	29 21%	22 18%	24 20%	43 25%	41 21%	47 24%	28 18%	38 20%	41 21%	49 25%	28 15%	31 27%	6 10%	104 51%	6 5%	1 2%	70 49%	21 11%	7 7%	14 45%	30 20%	53 20%
Liberal Democrat	194 26%	98 27%	96 25%	23 26%	29 26%	38 27%	38 31%	42 34%	25 15%	71 35%	58 29%	30 19%	35 18%	57 29%	51 26%	47 25%	27 24%	13 20%	37 18%	17 12%	67 72%	30 21%	36 19%	66 66%	7 23%	54 36%	64 25%
Refused	33 4%	20 6%	13 3%	5 5%	2 2%	5 4%	3 3%	5 4%	12 7%	8 4%	1 1%	13 8%	12 6%	1 *	7 4%	13 7%	4 4%	8 12%	5 3%	2 1%	4 5%	6 4%	4 2%	5 5%	- -	6 4%	8 3%
Don't know	179 24%	79 22%	101 26%	26 29%	29 26%	28 21%	31 25%	25 20%	40 24%	34 17%	51 26%	41 26%	53 28%	46 24%	43 22%	51 27%	27 24%	13 20%	30 15%	27 20%	11 12%	25 18%	39 20%	14 14%	5 14%	28 19%	63 24%

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Weighted base	752	365	387	89	112	137	123	123	169	201	200	158	194	194	195	189	113	62	205	140	93	143	190	100	31	151	260
Representing Britain's best interests in the EU																											
Labour	225 30%	109 30%	117 30%	25 28%	46 42%	37 27%	36 29%	31 25%	51 30%	60 30%	58 29%	47 29%	60 31%	61 31%	56 29%	58 31%	28 25%	24 38%	21 10%	110 79%	20 21%	9 7%	107 56%	21 21%	6 19%	47 31%	87 34%
Conservative	251 33%	133 37%	117 30%	28 31%	18 16%	55 40%	42 34%	43 35%	65 39%	68 34%	69 34%	51 32%	63 32%	72 37%	73 37%	50 26%	45 40%	12 19%	151 74%	14 10%	17 18%	98 68%	42 22%	20 20%	22 71%	40 27%	96 37%
Liberal Democrat	93 12%	52 14%	41 10%	7 8%	10 9%	18 13%	19 16%	23 19%	15 9%	30 15%	19 10%	23 15%	21 11%	26 14%	20 10%	23 12%	15 13%	9 14%	8 4%	1 *	45 48%	8 6%	10 5%	47 47%	1 3%	34 22%	21 8%
Refused	23 3%	13 4%	10 2%	4 4%	3 2%	4 3%	3 3%	4 3%	5 3%	6 3%	1 1%	7 4%	9 4%	3 2%	4 2%	6 3%	1 1%	8 12%	4 2%	2 1%	- -	5 4%	3 1%	- -	- -	4 3%	5 2%
Don't know	161 21%	57 16%	103 27%	25 28%	35 31%	23 17%	22 18%	23 18%	33 19%	36 18%	52 26%	31 20%	41 21%	32 17%	43 22%	52 27%	24 21%	10 17%	22 11%	14 10%	12 13%	22 16%	28 15%	12 12%	2 7%	26 17%	51 19%
Immigration & asylum																											
Labour	186 25%	80 22%	106 27%	20 23%	29 26%	32 23%	30 24%	28 22%	47 28%	44 22%	48 24%	38 24%	56 29%	49 25%	43 22%	46 24%	27 24%	22 35%	14 7%	92 66%	15 16%	10 7%	91 48%	14 14%	4 14%	31 21%	63 24%
Conservative	269 36%	147 40%	122 32%	32 36%	32 28%	50 37%	44 36%	45 37%	66 39%	86 43%	72 36%	49 31%	61 31%	78 40%	79 41%	54 29%	45 40%	13 20%	156 76%	18 13%	24 26%	104 73%	51 27%	27 27%	22 71%	58 38%	95 37%
Liberal Democrat	104 14%	57 16%	47 12%	6 6%	14 12%	26 19%	21 17%	18 15%	19 11%	28 14%	27 14%	26 16%	23 12%	27 14%	22 11%	34 18%	13 12%	9 14%	8 4%	6 5%	48 51%	7 5%	11 6%	47 47%	1 2%	27 18%	37 14%
Refused	28 4%	14 4%	14 4%	4 4%	4 3%	5 4%	5 4%	5 4%	5 3%	6 3%	2 1%	10 7%	10 5%	3 1%	5 3%	9 5%	1 1%	10 16%	5 3%	1 *	1 1%	6 4%	3 1%	2 2%	* 2%	3 2%	9 4%
Don't know	165 22%	67 18%	98 25%	27 30%	34 30%	23 17%	23 18%	27 22%	32 19%	36 18%	51 25%	36 22%	43 22%	38 20%	46 23%	46 24%	26 23%	9 15%	22 11%	22 16%	6 7%	16 11%	34 18%	10 10%	3 11%	31 21%	55 21%

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Table 9
Q.6 Which of the three main political parties would do the best job on each of the following?
Base: All "Sample B" respondents

	Sex		Age							Social Class				Region					Voting Intention		Vote in 2005			Work In...			
	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	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Demo-crat	Labour 2005, Con 2008	Public Sector	Pri-vate Sector
Weighted base	752	365	387	89	112	137	123	123	169	201	200	158	194	194	195	189	113	62	205	140	93	143	190	100	31	151	260
Tackling the shortage of affordable housing																											
Labour	255 34%	126 35%	128 33%	28 32%	40 36%	44 32%	42 34%	36 29%	65 38%	68 34%	62 31%	59 37%	66 34%	73 37%	59 30%	70 37%	30 27%	23 37%	38 18%	101 72%	18 20%	26 18%	112 59%	20 20%	7 21%	40 27%	100 39%
Conservative	169 22%	88 24%	81 21%	18 20%	18 16%	38 28%	30 24%	27 22%	37 22%	53 26%	44 22%	32 20%	40 21%	54 28%	51 26%	31 16%	26 23%	8 13%	114 56%	8 6%	8 9%	79 55%	18 10%	12 12%	13 42%	39 26%	63 24%
Liberal Democrat	122 16%	58 16%	64 17%	13 15%	15 13%	27 20%	23 19%	26 21%	19 11%	35 17%	30 15%	26 16%	32 17%	30 16%	36 19%	24 13%	21 19%	11 17%	19 9%	9 7%	50 54%	10 7%	24 12%	52 52%	10 31%	34 22%	36 14%
Refused	25 3%	13 4%	12 3%	4 4%	1 1%	5 4%	4 4%	5 4%	5 3%	4 2%	4 2%	8 5%	9 4%	1 *	5 3%	8 4%	3 3%	7 12%	2 1%	3 2%	- -	3 2%	3 2%	- -	- -	7 4%	4 2%
Don't know	182 24%	80 22%	102 26%	26 29%	37 33%	23 17%	24 19%	28 23%	44 26%	41 20%	61 30%	34 21%	47 24%	37 19%	44 23%	56 30%	32 29%	12 20%	32 16%	18 13%	17 18%	25 18%	33 17%	16 16%	2 6%	31 21%	57 22%
Reforming Britain's welfare system																											
Labour	241 32%	112 31%	129 33%	20 22%	48 43%	38 28%	34 28%	39 31%	62 37%	55 28%	61 31%	52 33%	73 38%	63 32%	55 28%	68 36%	30 27%	25 40%	30 15%	114 82%	12 13%	15 11%	120 63%	13 13%	5 16%	40 27%	88 34%
Conservative	222 30%	121 33%	101 26%	28 32%	20 18%	45 33%	34 28%	38 31%	58 34%	69 34%	61 30%	45 28%	48 25%	65 33%	70 36%	41 22%	38 34%	8 13%	139 68%	5 3%	21 22%	98 69%	28 15%	20 20%	17 55%	43 28%	75 29%
Liberal Democrat	125 17%	64 17%	61 16%	8 9%	14 13%	34 25%	25 20%	22 18%	22 13%	41 20%	30 15%	28 18%	27 14%	35 18%	30 16%	31 16%	19 17%	10 16%	17 8%	5 4%	54 58%	12 8%	18 10%	58 59%	7 22%	37 25%	42 16%
Refused	24 3%	12 3%	11 3%	4 4%	1 1%	4 3%	4 3%	6 5%	5 3%	4 2%	4 2%	8 5%	7 4%	2 1%	3 1%	8 4%	3 2%	8 13%	2 1%	2 2%	1 1%	2 2%	5 3%	1 1%	1 2%	4 3%	5 2%
Don't know	141 19%	56 15%	85 22%	29 33%	28 25%	17 12%	26 21%	19 15%	22 13%	32 16%	44 22%	26 16%	39 20%	29 15%	37 19%	40 21%	23 20%	11 18%	17 8%	13 10%	5 5%	15 10%	19 10%	7 7%	1 5%	26 17%	49 19%

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Table 9

Q.6 Which of the three main political parties would do the best job on each of the following?

Base: All "Sample B" respondents

	Sex		Age							Social Class				Region					Voting Intention		Vote in 2005			Work In...			
	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-cratic	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Demo-cratic	Labour 2005, Con 2008	Public Sector	Pri-vate Sector
Weighted base	752	365	387	89	112	137	123	123	169	201	200	158	194	194	195	189	113	62	205	140	93	143	190	100	31	151	260
Dealing with the current recession																											
Labour	223	112	111	20	37	37	40	30	57	58	56	49	60	57	51	60	30	26	12	116	19	7	118	21	5	41	82
	30%	31%	29%	23%	34%	27%	33%	25%	34%	29%	28%	31%	31%	29%	26%	32%	27%	41%	6%	83%	20%	5%	62%	21%	16%	28%	32%
Conservative	245	135	110	28	26	55	44	33	59	66	66	49	65	75	74	46	41	9	161	7	17	106	30	20	21	48	92
	33%	37%	28%	31%	23%	40%	36%	27%	35%	33%	33%	31%	33%	39%	38%	24%	36%	14%	79%	5%	18%	75%	16%	21%	67%	32%	35%
Liberal Democrat	99	45	54	10	16	20	14	21	19	35	22	19	22	22	26	32	12	7	4	3	45	5	9	47	2	27	26
	13%	12%	14%	11%	14%	14%	11%	17%	11%	18%	11%	12%	12%	12%	13%	17%	11%	11%	2%	2%	48%	4%	5%	47%	6%	18%	10%
Refused	21	10	11	4	1	4	3	5	4	3	1	8	9	2	4	7	1	7	1	1	1	3	2	1	-	4	3
	3%	3%	3%	4%	1%	3%	2%	4%	2%	1%	*	5%	5%	1%	2%	4%	1%	11%	*	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	-	3%	1%
Don't know	164	63	101	27	31	20	22	34	30	39	55	33	37	37	40	45	28	14	27	12	11	21	31	10	3	30	57
	22%	17%	26%	31%	28%	15%	18%	27%	18%	19%	27%	21%	19%	19%	21%	24%	25%	23%	13%	9%	12%	15%	16%	10%	11%	20%	22%

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Table 10

Q.7 A grouping of the leaders of most of the world's biggest economies - known as the G20 - is meeting next month in London, under the Chairmanship of Gordon Brown, to discuss what more can be done by co-ordinated international action to address the global economic downturn. How much confidence do you have that the G20 meeting will...?

Base: All "Sample A" respondents

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			Vote in 2005			Work In...		
	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	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Democ-rat	Labour 2005, Con 2008	Public Sector	Pri-vate Sector
Unweighted base	752	345	407	63	92	159	155	134	149	226	201	136	189	194	198	189	106	65	207	169	81	153	217	74	24	130	313
Weighted base	752	359	393	90	126	160	132	101	142	197	238	154	162	208	201	178	100	65	218	146	91	163	176	95	19	122	321
Help the recession here in Britain																											
NET: Any confidence	461	220	241	54	80	108	73	59	86	139	152	80	90	122	127	106	62	44	132	116	59	98	122	60	14	82	208
	61%	61%	61%	60%	64%	67%	55%	58%	61%	71%	64%	52%	55%	59%	63%	59%	62%	69%	60%	79%	65%	60%	70%	64%	71%	67%	65%
A great deal of confidence	43	23	19	4	9	5	4	9	11	17	16	4	6	12	7	9	5	10	8	20	1	6	14	1	2	11	18
	6%	7%	5%	5%	7%	3%	3%	9%	8%	8%	7%	2%	4%	6%	3%	5%	5%	16%	4%	13%	1%	4%	8%	1%	8%	9%	5%
A little confidence	418	196	222	50	71	103	69	50	75	123	136	76	84	110	120	97	57	34	124	97	58	91	108	60	12	71	191
	56%	55%	57%	55%	57%	64%	52%	49%	53%	62%	57%	50%	52%	53%	60%	54%	57%	53%	57%	66%	64%	56%	61%	63%	63%	58%	59%
No confidence at all	283	137	146	35	46	50	59	42	51	57	86	73	67	84	72	70	36	20	86	27	31	66	51	33	5	40	112
	38%	38%	37%	39%	36%	31%	45%	41%	36%	29%	36%	47%	41%	40%	36%	40%	36%	31%	40%	18%	34%	40%	29%	35%	29%	33%	35%
Don't know	8	3	5	1	-	2	-	*	4	1	-	1	5	2	3	2	1	-	-	3	1	-	2	1	-	-	1
	1%	1%	1%	1%	-	1%	-	*	3%	1%	-	1%	3%	1%	1%	1%	1%	-	-	2%	1%	-	1%	1%	-	-	*
Help the global economy to recover																											
NET: Any confidence	520	250	270	66	89	117	83	70	96	155	173	93	100	137	145	123	69	47	158	123	63	116	137	65	15	86	238
	69%	70%	69%	73%	71%	73%	63%	69%	68%	78%	73%	61%	61%	66%	72%	69%	69%	73%	72%	84%	69%	71%	78%	69%	76%	71%	74%
A great deal of confidence	41	20	21	8	6	5	5	7	10	15	17	2	6	12	11	11	3	4	10	18	3	8	16	1	2	6	19
	5%	6%	5%	9%	4%	3%	4%	7%	7%	8%	7%	2%	4%	6%	5%	6%	3%	7%	5%	12%	3%	5%	9%	1%	8%	5%	6%
A little confidence	479	230	249	58	83	112	77	63	86	139	156	91	93	125	134	111	66	43	148	105	61	108	121	64	13	81	218
	64%	64%	63%	64%	66%	70%	59%	62%	60%	71%	65%	59%	57%	60%	66%	63%	66%	66%	68%	72%	66%	66%	69%	68%	68%	66%	68%
No confidence at all	224	104	119	23	37	43	47	31	42	43	64	59	58	68	53	55	30	18	59	22	28	45	38	29	4	36	81
	30%	29%	30%	26%	29%	27%	36%	31%	30%	22%	27%	38%	36%	33%	26%	31%	30%	27%	27%	15%	31%	27%	22%	31%	24%	29%	25%
Don't know	8	5	3	1	-	-	2	*	4	-	1	2	5	2	4	1	1	-	2	1	-	3	1	-	-	-	2
	1%	1%	1%	1%	-	-	2%	*	3%	-	1%	1%	3%	1%	2%	*	1%	-	1%	1%	-	2%	1%	-	-	-	1%

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Table 11

Q.8 This week Gordon Brown visited the United States, becoming the first European leader to meet with President Barack Obama since his election and giving a speech to the US Congress about the need for a 'global new deal' to strengthen the economy. Does this make you feel more positively towards Gordon Brown as Prime Minister, or less positively towards him, or does it make no real difference to your view either way?

Base: All "Sample B" respondents

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention		Vote in 2005			Work In...			
	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	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Democ-rat	Labour 2005, Con 2008	Public Sector	Pri-vate Sector
Unweighted base	752	343	409	57	85	129	151	158	172	224	164	128	236	193	194	190	108	67	199	155	81	138	229	79	35	149	256
Weighted base	752	365	387	89	112	137	123	123	169	201	200	158	194	194	195	189	113	62	205	140	93	143	190	100	31	151	260
More positively	186	87	99	22	29	33	26	28	49	47	58	38	43	42	41	54	31	18	29	64	20	20	77	17	6	33	64
	25%	24%	26%	24%	26%	24%	21%	23%	29%	23%	29%	24%	22%	21%	21%	29%	28%	29%	14%	46%	21%	14%	40%	17%	20%	22%	24%
Makes no real difference	471	221	250	59	79	90	86	68	89	130	121	100	120	120	125	119	68	39	125	74	60	83	103	69	19	102	170
	63%	60%	65%	66%	71%	66%	70%	55%	52%	65%	61%	63%	62%	62%	64%	63%	60%	62%	61%	53%	64%	58%	54%	69%	61%	68%	65%
Less positively	95	57	38	8	4	14	11	27	31	23	21	20	31	32	29	16	13	6	51	2	14	40	11	14	6	15	27
	13%	16%	10%	9%	3%	10%	9%	22%	19%	12%	10%	13%	16%	16%	15%	8%	12%	9%	25%	1%	14%	28%	6%	14%	19%	10%	10%

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Table 12

Do you work in any of the following occupations...?

Base: All respondents who work

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention				Vote in 2005			Work In...	
	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	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Dem-ocrat	Labour 2005, Con 2008	Public Sector	Pri-vate Sector
Unweighted base	858	443	415	70	139	227	237	158	27	312	250	175	121	237	219	211	109	82	235	186	95	158	247	94	38	279	569
Weighted base	862	478	383	99	186	233	199	121	24	279	291	200	92	243	221	209	111	79	246	160	111	170	194	118	31	273	581
NET: Public Sector	273	113	159	27	60	78	61	41	5	111	97	52	13	72	74	59	43	25	71	45	42	44	68	46	10	273	-
	32%	24%	42%	27%	32%	34%	31%	34%	20%	40%	33%	26%	14%	30%	33%	28%	39%	32%	29%	28%	38%	26%	35%	39%	31%	100%	-
Central government including all administrative departments and central government agencies such as the Bank of England	15	9	7	1	3	5	2	3	1	9	5	2	-	3	4	3	4	2	3	2	1	1	4	2	-	15	-
	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%	6%	3%	2%	1%	-	1%	2%	1%	3%	2%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%	-	6%	-
HM Forces	7	4	3	1	2	2	-	1	-	6	1	1	-	3	2	1	1	-	4	1	-	1	1	-	-	7	-
	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	-	1%	-	2%	*	*	-	1%	1%	*	1%	-	1%	*	-	1%	*	-	-	3%	-
National Health Service	69	19	50	8	12	25	13	8	2	20	36	8	5	23	16	13	9	7	20	14	9	14	20	10	3	69	-
	8%	4%	13%	8%	6%	11%	7%	7%	10%	7%	12%	4%	5%	10%	7%	6%	8%	9%	8%	8%	8%	8%	11%	9%	10%	25%	-
Universities and Academies funded by government	24	10	14	6	3	2	7	4	1	13	5	2	3	1	9	5	6	2	4	3	6	5	5	6	1	24	-
	3%	2%	4%	6%	2%	1%	4%	3%	4%	5%	2%	1%	4%	*	4%	3%	6%	3%	2%	2%	6%	3%	3%	5%	4%	9%	-
Courts service	8	4	4	-	4	2	2	1	-	*	5	3	-	3	2	3	*	-	5	-	3	4	-	4	-	8	-
	1%	1%	1%	-	2%	1%	1%	1%	-	*	2%	2%	-	1%	1%	2%	*	-	2%	-	3%	2%	-	4%	-	3%	-
Local government administration	50	24	27	3	6	14	15	13	-	19	14	16	2	14	16	14	3	4	14	9	7	7	13	7	2	50	-
	6%	5%	7%	3%	3%	6%	8%	11%	-	7%	5%	8%	2%	6%	7%	7%	3%	5%	6%	6%	7%	4%	7%	6%	5%	19%	-
Police service	8	7	1	-	4	2	2	-	-	1	7	-	-	3	1	3	-	1	1	2	1	-	3	-	-	8	-
	1%	1%	*	-	2%	1%	1%	-	-	1%	2%	-	-	1%	*	2%	-	1%	1%	1%	1%	-	1%	-	-	3%	-
Public sector housing	8	4	3	2	-	3	2	1	-	1	5	1	1	1	2	-	2	3	2	1	-	-	5	-	2	8	-
	1%	1%	1%	2%	-	1%	1%	1%	-	*	2%	*	1%	*	1%	-	2%	3%	1%	1%	-	-	3%	-	6%	3%	-
Teaching employed by local education authority including voluntary aided schools and foundation schools	68	19	48	3	24	19	14	7	-	38	19	10	1	15	17	15	15	5	11	12	11	11	14	12	1	68	-
	8%	4%	13%	3%	13%	8%	7%	6%	-	14%	7%	5%	1%	6%	7%	7%	14%	7%	5%	8%	10%	7%	7%	10%	3%	25%	-

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Do you work in any of the following occupations...?**Base: All respondents who work**

	Sex		Age							Social Class				Region					Voting Intention		Vote in 2005			Work In...			
	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	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Demo-crat	Labour 2005, Con 2008	Public Sector	Pri-vate Sector
Weighted base	862	478	383	99	186	233	199	121	24	279	291	200	92	243	221	209	111	79	246	160	111	170	194	118	31	273	581
Public corporations such as the Royal Mail or British Nuclear fuels or Driving Standards agency	15	12	3	3	1	5	4	3	-	3	2	9	2	5	6	1	2	1	6	2	3	1	3	5	1	15	-
	2%	2%	1%	3%	*	2%	2%	2%	-	1%	1%	4%	2%	2%	3%	1%	1%	1%	3%	1%	3%	*	1%	5%	3%	6%	-
Bradford and Bingley or Northern Rock Building societies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	78	43	35	10	18	19	20	8	2	23	20	26	9	28	25	15	5	5	18	15	12	14	16	14	-	-	78
	9%	9%	9%	10%	10%	8%	10%	7%	9%	8%	7%	13%	10%	11%	11%	7%	5%	6%	7%	9%	11%	8%	8%	12%	-	-	13%
None of these	508	321	188	62	107	135	117	71	16	144	175	123	67	144	121	134	61	49	155	100	56	111	111	57	21	-	508
	59%	67%	49%	63%	57%	58%	59%	59%	69%	52%	60%	61%	73%	59%	55%	64%	55%	62%	63%	63%	50%	66%	57%	48%	69%	-	87%
Refused	8	4	4	-	1	2	3	2	1	1	1	2	3	2	2	2	2	-	2	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	-
	1%	1%	1%	-	1%	1%	1%	1%	3%	*	*	1%	3%	1%	1%	1%	2%	-	1%	*	1%	*	*	1%	-	-	-

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Table 13
Classification
Base: All respondents

		<u>Unweighted Total</u>	<u>Weighted Total</u>
Unweighted base		1504	1504
Weighted base		1504	1504
<u>Gender</u>			
Male		688 46%	722 48%
Female		816 54%	782 52%
<u>Age</u>			
18-24	(21)	120 8%	179 12%
25-34	(29.5)	177 12%	238 16%
35-44	(39.5)	288 19%	298 20%
45-54	(49.5)	306 20%	253 17%
55-64	(59.5)	292 19%	223 15%
65+	(70)	321 21%	312 21%
Average age		49.27	46.71

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Base: All respondents

	<u>Unweighted Total</u>	<u>Weighted Total</u>
Weighted base	1504	1504
<u>Social Grade</u>		
AB	450 30%	391 26%
C1	365 24%	436 29%
C2	264 18%	316 21%
DE	425 28%	361 24%
<u>Region</u>		
North	511 34%	504 34%
Midlands	469 31%	472 31%
South	524 35%	528 35%

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Base: All respondents

	<u>Unweighted Total</u>	<u>Weighted Total</u>
Weighted base	1504	1504
<u>Working status</u>		
Full-time	616 41%	677 45%
Part-time	242 16%	180 12%
Not working but seeking work or temporarily unemployed/sick	83 6%	92 6%
Not working/not seeking work	113 8%	114 8%
Retired	402 27%	373 25%
Student	44 3%	64 4%
Refused	4 *	4 *

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Base: All respondents

	<u>Unweighted Total</u>	<u>Weighted Total</u>
Weighted base	1504	1504
<u>Tenure</u>		
Own outright	525 35%	491 33%
Own with a mortgage	564 38%	581 39%
Council	126 8%	193 13%
Housing Assoc.	72 5%	57 4%
Rented from someone else	151 10%	135 9%
Rent free	15 1%	14 1%
Refused	51 3%	33 2%

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Base: All respondents

	<u>Unweighted Total</u>	<u>Weighted Total</u>
Weighted base	1504	1504
<u>Foreign Holiday in last 3 years</u>		
Yes	954 63%	902 60%
No	550 37%	602 40%
<u>Number of cars</u>		
None	278 18%	313 21%
1	714 47%	625 42%
2	400 27%	432 29%
3+	112 7%	134 9%

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Base: All respondents

	<u>Unweighted Total</u>	<u>Weighted Total</u>
Weighted base	1504	1504
<u>Internet Access</u>		
At all	1131 75%	1145 76%
At home (net)	1070 71%	1083 72%
At work (net)	505 34%	530 35%
At home	609 40%	598 40%
At work	44 3%	45 3%
Both at home and at work	461 31%	485 32%
Somewhere else	17 1%	17 1%
Not at all	373 25%	359 24%

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Classification**Base: All respondents**

	<u>Unweighted Total</u>	<u>Weighted Total</u>
Weighted base	1504	1504
<u>What is the highest educational level that you have achieved to date?</u>		
Secondary/ high school/ NVQ 1-3	801 53%	820 55%
University degree or equivalent professional qualification/ NVQ4	401 27%	405 27%
Higher university degree/ Doctorate/ MBA/ NVQ 5 or equivalent	99 7%	94 6%
No formal education	157 10%	150 10%
None of these	9 1%	8 1%
Refused	37 2%	26 2%

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Base: All respondents

	<u>Unweighted Total</u>	<u>Weighted Total</u>
Weighted base	1504	1504
<u>Marital Status</u>		
Single	294 20%	351 23%
Married/ co-habiting	840 56%	826 55%
Widowed/ separated/ divorced	330 22%	301 20%
Refused	40 3%	27 2%
<u>Children</u>		
None aged 18 or under	1020 68%	1017 68%
NET: Yes	442 29%	458 30%
NET: Yes any aged 15 or under	376 25%	401 27%
- Aged under 5	139 9%	172 11%
- Aged 5-10	192 13%	204 14%
- Aged 11-15	185 12%	177 12%
- Aged 16-18	120 8%	111 7%
Refused	42 3%	29 2%

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	<u>Unweighted Total</u>	<u>Weighted Total</u>
Weighted base	1504	1504
<u>Grocery shopping status</u>		
Yes - do half or more	1171 78%	1147 76%
No - do less than half	305 20%	338 22%
Refused	28 2%	19 1%

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Table 14

Q.3 At the last general election in May 2005, many people didn't vote. If you did vote in the general election could you tell me which party you voted for?

	Unweighted Total	Weighted Total
Unweighted base	1504	1504
Weighted base	1504	1504
Conservative	291 19%	306 20%
Labour	446 30%	366 24%
Liberal Democrat	153 10%	194 13%
Other	78 5%	72 5%
Did not vote	401 27%	439 29%
Refused	86 6%	77 5%
Don't know	49 3%	50 3%