

YouGov / Daily Telegraph Survey Results

Sample Size: 2033

Fieldwork: 21st - 23rd September 2004

Voting Intention

	%
Con	34
Lab	36
Lib Dem	21
Other	9

Would Not Vote 3

Don't know 12

Have you definitely made up your mind what you will do at the next election, or will you wait until nearer the time before deciding?

Will definitely vote, and know which party I shall support	55
Will definitely vote, but will wait until nearer the time to decide which party to support	29
May or may not vote, but know which party I shall support if I do vote	5
May or may not vote, and am not yet certain which party I shall support if I do vote	7
Will definitely not vote	3

Do you approve or disapprove of the Labour Government's record to date?

Approve	26
Disapprove	59
Don't know	15

Who would make the best Prime Minister?

Tony Blair	30
Michael Howard	22
Charles Kennedy	14
Don't know	34

Do you think the Government has, on balance, been honest and trustworthy or not?

Yes - honest and trustworthy	24
No - not honest and trustworthy	67
Don't know	9

Do you think that if a Conservative government were elected it would, on balance, be honest and trustworthy or not?

Yes - honest and trustworthy	21
No - not honest and trustworthy	56
Don't know	23

How do you think the financial situation of your household will change over the next 12 months?

Get a lot better	3
Get a little better	18
Stay the same	35
Get a little worse	31
Get a lot worse	10
Don't know	3

If Britain were in economic difficulties, which party do you think could handle the problem best - the Conservatives or Labour?

Conservative	32
Labour	31
Neither	21
Don't know	15

How would you describe your feelings about Tony Blair and the present Labour Government?

Very enthusiastic	2
Reasonably well satisfied	26
Somewhat dissatisfied	33
Very unhappy	36
Don't know	3

Since the Blair Government first came to power, do you think...
Britain's economy as a whole has become...

Stronger	37
Weaker	27
Stayed about the same	30
Don't know	6

Britain's public services - things like the NHS, education and public transport - have...

Got better	22
Got worse	46
Stayed about the same	29
Don't know	3

Britain's standing in the world has...

Gone up	14
Gone down	57
Stayed about the same	25
Don't know	5

Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with Tony Blair as Prime Minister?

Satisfied	28
Dissatisfied	62
Don't know	10

Who do you think is doing a better job?

Tony Blair as Prime Minister	20
Gordon Brown as Chancellor	41
Don't know	39

Which of the two would you prefer to see as Prime Minister?

Tony Blair	29
Gordon Brown	32
Don't know	39

Here are some reasons people give for wanting to vote Labour at the moment. Please indicate for each of them whether you sympathise with it or not...

Tony Blair provides the country with strong leadership...

Do sympathise with this view	34
Do not sympathise	57
Don't know	9

The Labour Government is working hard to improve the major public services, such as the NHS and education...

Do sympathise with this view	41
Do not sympathise	50
Don't know	9

Labour has provided the country with a strong, stable economy

Do sympathise with this view	42
Do not sympathise	42
Don't know	16

Labour nowadays is sensible and moderate

Do sympathise with this view	36
Do not sympathise	51
Don't know	13

Gordon Brown as Chancellor has reduced unemployment

Do sympathise with this view	49
Do not sympathise	27
Don't know	23

Labour has improved the circumstances of the least well-off sections of society

Do sympathise with this view	31
Do not sympathise	49
Don't know	20

There is not a great deal to be said for Tony Blair and his Government but they are at least better than the Conservatives

Do sympathise with this view	34
Do not sympathise	51
Don't know	16

Britain under Labour has struck the right balance between being at the heart of Europe but at the same time fighting for British interests in Europe

Do sympathise with this view	28
Do not sympathise	55
Don't know	18

Here are some reasons people give for NOT wanting to vote Labour at the moment. Please indicate for each of them whether you sympathise with it or not...

The Government was wrong to involve Britain in the war on Iraq...

Do sympathise with this view	60
Do not sympathise	31
Don't know	10

The British economy - things like inflation and unemployment - have been badly managed under Labour...

Do sympathise with this view	35
Do not sympathise	51
Don't know	14

Labour is failing to deliver on the major public services, such as the NHS and education...

Do sympathise with this view	58
Do not sympathise	33
Don't know	10

Labour under Tony Blair is too right-wing and conservative...

Do sympathise with this view	33
Do not sympathise	43
Don't know	24

Tony Blair is a poor Prime Minister...

Do sympathise with this view	48
Do not sympathise	40
Don't know	12

There is a culture of deceit and spin at the heart of this Government...

Do sympathise with this view	63
Do not sympathise	23
Don't know	14

The Government has put up taxes too much...

Do sympathise with this view	53
Do not sympathise	33
Don't know	14

Labour under Tony Blair has lost touch with ordinary working people...

Do sympathise with this view	60
Do not sympathise	26
Don't know	13

Which four or five of the following policies would make you most likely to vote Labour at the next general election - or would you NOT vote Labour whatever they promised?

Curb the number of immigrants coming into the UK	44
Increase spending on public services such as health, education and transport	38
Reduce the amount of tax paid by people on average incomes	36
Linking increases in the state pension to the rise in earnings rather than inflation, as now.	34
Increase the top rate of tax on people earning more than £100,000 a year	32
Increase the number of council tax bands, so that people who own the most expensive homes pay more	28
Ban smoking in public places	23
Implement the ban on fox-hunting	20
Give people more choice about which public services, such as schools and hospitals, they use	16
Take Britain into Europe's single currency, the euro	13
Reform the House of Lords to make it more democratic	11
Send fewer criminals to prison and introduce more effective community penalties for non-violent offenders	7
Continue to increase the number of young people going to university	7
Would NOT vote Labour whatever it promised	34
Don't know	2