

YouGov Survey Results

Euro Tracker (June)

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Which party would you vote for if there was a general election tomorrow?	
Conservative	35
Labour	38
Liberal Democrats	20
Other	7
Thinking of the European single currency, which of the following comes closest to your view?	
Definitely join as soon as possible	19
Join if and when the economic conditions are right	33
Stay out for at least the next four or five years	18
Rule out on principle	27
Don't know	3
Overall, do you approve or disapprove of Britain's membership of the EU?	
Strongly approve	21
Approve	33
Neither approve nor disapprove	17
Disapprove	19
Strongly disapprove	10
Don't know	1
How well do you think the present government has handled relations with the EU?	
Very well	7
Fairly well	37
Neither well nor badly	25
Fairly badly	20
Very badly	8
Don't know	4
How much do you trust the government to make the right decisions on euro entry?	
Trust a lot	12
Trust a little	25
Neither trust nor distrust	11
Don't trust much	22
Don't trust at all	29
Don't know	1
If there were a referendum tomorrow on whether to join the euro, how would you vote?	
In favour of joining	41
Against joining	51
Would not vote	3
Don't know	5
Irrespective of whether you support the euro, how likely do you think it is that the UK will join in the next four years?	
Inevitable	21
Likely	52
Not likely	20
Certain not to	2
Don't know	4

Do you think Europe will do better or worse economically, now it has a single currency, or will it make no difference?

Better	32
Worse	35
No difference	24
Don't know	9

Over the last six months, do you think the UK has gained or suffered from not being a member of the euro-zone?

Gained	25
Suffered	26
Made no difference	41
Don't know	7

Which of the following do you think would be better for. . . ? a) Keeping shop prices as low as possible

Joining the euro within the next two or three years	21
Keeping the pound for the foreseeable future	42
It won't make much difference either way	30
Don't know	7

b) Creating jobs for British workers

Joining the euro within the next two or three years	34
Keeping the pound for the foreseeable future	30
It won't make much difference either way	29
Don't know	8

c) Keeping mortgage rates as low as possible

Joining the euro within the next two or three years	22
Keeping the pound for the foreseeable future	38
It won't make much difference either way	28
Don't know	13

d) keeping taxes as low as possible

Joining the euro within the next two or three years	12
Keeping the pound for the foreseeable future	43
It won't make much difference either way	34
Don't know	11

From the prime minister's recent comments, do you expect that we will have a referendum in the next 12 months, or not?

Yes - referendum	39
No - no referendum	41
Don't know	21

a) The government says that the decision on entry will be an economic one, strictly dependent on the Chancellor's economic tests being met. Which of the following comes closest to your view?

It will be an economic decision and the tests are crucial	23
It will be a political decision and the tests don't really matter	72
Don't know	5

b) Who, from the following, do you trust most to make the right decision on the euro?

Tony Blair	12
Gordon Brown	41
Neither	42
Don't know	5