

YouGov Survey Results

Euro Tracker (May)

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If there were a general election tomorrow, which party would you vote for?	
Conservatives	28
Labour	35
Liberal Democrats	18
Nationalists	3
Other	4
Don't know	12
Which of the following do you trust most to make you and your family better off?	
A Labour government under Tony Blair	35
The Conservatives under Iain Duncan Smith	24
Neither	35
Don't know	6
Thinking of the European single currency, which of the following comes closest to your view?	
Definitely join as soon as possible	16
Join if and when the economic conditions are right	37
Stay out for at least the next four or five years	19
Rule out on principle	25
Don't know	3
Overall, do you approve or disapprove of Britain's membership of the EU?	
Strongly approve	18
Approve	34
Neither approve nor disapprove	18
Disapprove	18
Strongly disapprove	10
Don't know	1
How well do you think the present government has handled relations with the EU?	
Very well	6
Fairly well	31
Neither well nor badly	27
Fairly badly	21
Very badly	12
Don't know	3
How much do you trust the government to make the right decisions on euro entry?	
Trust a lot	11
Trust a little	24
Neither trust nor distrust	11
Don't trust much	23
Don't trust at all	31
Don't know	1
If there were a referendum tomorrow on whether to join the euro, how would you vote?	
In favour of joining	39
Against joining	51
Would not vote	3
Don't know	7

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	23
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	36
No difference	22
Don't know	10

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

Gained	28
Suffered	25
Made no difference	39
Don't know	8

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	24
Keeping the pound for the foreseeable future	42
It won't make much difference either way	28
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	31
It won't make much difference either way	29
Don't know	7

c) Keeping mortgage rates as low as possible

Joining the euro within the next two or three years	21
Keeping the pound for the foreseeable future	38
It won't make much difference either way	28
Don't know	13

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	51
No - no referendum	31
Don't know	18

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	21
It will be a political decision and the tests don't really matter	75
Don't know	5

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

Tony Blair	13
Gordon Brown	36
Neither	45
Don't know	5