

YouGov Survey Results

The Economy

Sample Size: 1955

Fieldwork: 30th - 31st January 2003

	%
Do you think that Gordon Brown is doing a good job or a bad job as Chancellor of the Exchequer?	
Very good	10
Fairly good	50
Fairly bad	25
Very bad	8
Don't know	7

How much do you trust Labour to take the right decisions about the economy?	
Trust a lot	7
Trust a fair amount	37
Do not trust very much	33
Do not trust at all	21
Don't know	2

How much do you trust the Conservatives to take the right decisions about the economy?	
Trust a lot	3
Trust a fair amount	28
Do not trust very much	38
Do not trust at all	28
Don't know	4

Share prices on the stock market have fallen by around one-tenth since the beginning of this year. Shares in typical British companies are worth just half what they were worth three years ago. Thinking about your own family's finances and savings, including pensions, how concerned are you by these falls in share prices?	
Very concerned	32
Fairly concerned	40
Not very concerned	20
Not at all concerned	5
Don't know	2

House prices in most parts of Britain have risen sharply during the past three years. Has this been good or bad for your household's finances, or has it not made much difference either way?	
Very good	6
Fairly good	12
Not made much difference	69
Fairly bad	7
Very bad	5
Don't know	2

Taking everything into account - including income, savings, pension fund, house prices, share prices and so on - do you feel that your household is better off than it was three years ago, or worse off or about the same?	
Better off	21
About the same	37
Worse off	41
Don't know	2

Again taking everything into account, do you expect your household to be better off, worse off, or about the same in ONE year's time?

Better off	16
About the same	44
Worse off	38
Don't know	3

And do you expect your household to be better off, worse off, or about the same in FIVE year's time?

Better off	39
About the same	21
Worse off	29
Don't know	12