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	June 2005 %	July 2006 %	Change
Here are some measures that have been proposed to help deal with the issue of climate change. In each case, please say whether you support or oppose it.			
Increasing taxes that motorists pay on petrol, using the money to reduce fares on buses and trains.			
Support	31	27	-4
Oppose	60	64	4
Don't know	9	8	-1
Increasing air fares, for example by making the world's airlines pay tax on the fuel they use			
Support	43	45	2
Oppose	45	44	-1
Don't know	12	11	-1
Building more nuclear power stations			
Support	34	40	6
Oppose	46	37	-9
Don't know	21	23	2
Increasing the taxes on cars with large engines			
Support	69	75	6
Oppose	23	18	-5
Don't know	7	6	-1

Here are some statements that have been made about nuclear power. In each case, please say whether you think it is true or untrue.

	July 2006		
	True %	Untrue %	Don't know %
'If necessary, I would support more nuclear power stations, if it were part of a wider strategy that also included other kinds of "clean" energy such as solar power and wind farms'	68	15	17
'Nuclear power produces very little carbon dioxide – the gas that is largely responsible for global warming and climate change'	53	8	39
'We would be creating unacceptable dangers for future generations if we built more nuclear power stations, however carefully they are built and run'	44	28	28
'It is vital to build more nuclear power stations if we are to help to minimise climate change without cutting back sharply on the amount of electricity we use'	43	25	32
'Nuclear power is much more expensive than other ways of generating electricity'	23	30	48
'There is no need to build any more nuclear power stations – there is plenty of gas, oil and coal available to meet Britain's energy needs'	10	72	18