

## YouGov / Left Foot Forward Survey Results

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	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

**Which three or four of these issues do you think are the most important facing THE COUNTRY? (Please tick up to four.)**

June 2009

The economy/ credit crunch/ jobs/ unemployment	70	<b>68</b>	68	74	70	69	67	68	72	63	71	64	68	70	64	69	69
Immigration/ asylum	49	<b>50</b>	61	43	35	50	50	42	49	56	47	54	52	48	50	54	41
Afghanistan/ the war on terrorism/ Islamic extremists	18	<b>37</b>	36	44	37	35	40	27	36	48	37	38	30	38	37	42	38
Health/ NHS / hospitals	36	<b>37</b>	37	40	34	33	41	36	36	39	35	40	41	36	38	34	43
Crime/ law and order/ police	42	<b>35</b>	41	31	28	37	34	30	36	38	34	37	41	34	37	35	29
Prices/ inflation/ cost of living	34	<b>30</b>	26	30	29	29	31	40	30	21	28	32	24	28	33	31	34
Pensions/ social security/ poverty in Britain	33	<b>28</b>	25	28	31	27	29	18	29	36	30	26	19	29	31	28	33
The environment/ pollution/ global warming	20	<b>18</b>	10	23	31	18	18	21	17	17	21	15	27	17	17	16	17
Income tax/ VAT/ National Insurance/ Council Tax	18	<b>15</b>	18	11	17	17	12	15	18	11	15	14	16	13	16	15	18
Europe/ The European Union	15	<b>15</b>	23	7	10	19	11	10	11	22	15	14	15	16	14	14	9
Housing/ house prices/ interest rates	20	<b>13</b>	10	17	15	12	13	20	12	8	13	12	10	13	14	13	15
Transport/ bus and train fares/ roads	8	<b>9</b>	8	8	13	11	7	12	8	6	10	7	12	8	9	9	5
Child care/ nurseries/ schools/ universities	9	<b>8</b>	7	7	12	6	9	10	9	5	9	6	8	8	8	7	8
Countryside/ farming/ GM crops/ fox-hunting	3	<b>2</b>	2	2	1	2	3	3	1	3	2	3	2	2	2	2	1
International development/ poverty	3	<b>2</b>	1	3	3	2	2	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	4
Don't know	1	<b>1</b>	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	2	1	2	1	1	1

**Which three or four of these issues do you think are the most important facing YOU AND YOUR FAMILY? (Please tick up to four.)**

Prices/ inflation/ cost of living	60	<b>61</b>	61	62	58	58	63	64	65	55	59	63	52	57	67	64	63
The economy/ credit crunch/ jobs/ unemployment	58	<b>54</b>	54	57	54	55	54	55	62	46	56	52	58	48	58	55	60
Health/ NHS / hospitals	34	<b>34</b>	33	37	35	31	37	28	31	43	35	33	33	37	36	29	37
Income tax/ VAT/ National Insurance/ Council Tax	35	<b>33</b>	41	25	31	34	31	36	35	27	33	32	28	35	32	33	32
Pensions/ social security/ poverty in Britain	35	<b>29</b>	28	32	36	27	31	12	26	46	31	27	20	30	32	32	26
Housing/ house prices/ interest rates	33	<b>28</b>	30	27	32	26	30	39	27	19	29	26	28	29	24	26	34
Crime/ law and order/ police	28	<b>25</b>	26	26	18	28	21	15	27	30	24	26	31	23	24	26	20
Immigration/ asylum	20	<b>18</b>	23	14	8	20	17	9	18	26	17	20	20	19	19	19	8
Transport/ bus and train fares/ roads	14	<b>17</b>	15	15	25	18	16	25	14	13	18	15	23	16	16	17	12
The environment/ pollution/ global warming	14	<b>14</b>	7	18	21	14	13	13	13	15	14	13	18	14	12	15	10
Child care/ nurseries/ schools/ universities	14	<b>13</b>	12	13	16	13	14	19	17	5	15	11	15	14	14	12	12
Afghanistan/ the war on terrorism/ Islamic extremists	5	<b>7</b>	8	9	5	7	8	4	6	11	6	9	7	7	7	9	9
Europe/ The European Union	8	<b>7</b>	11	2	6	9	5	3	4	12	7	7	6	7	8	7	2
Countryside/ farming/ GM crops/ fox-hunting	3	<b>2</b>	2	2	2	2	3	3	1	3	2	2	2	2	2	3	0
International development/ poverty	1	<b>1</b>	0	2	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	3	1	0	0	3
Don't know	2	<b>3</b>	1	2	2	3	3	5	2	2	2	4	4	5	2	2	2

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**Which three or four of these issues do you think are the most important facing THE COUNTRY? (Please tick up to four.)**

June 2009

The economy/ credit crunch/ jobs/ unemployment	70	68	73	66	68	67	72	63	45
Immigration/ asylum	49	50	35	57	44	37	51	65	42
Afghanistan/ the war on terrorism/ Islamic extremists	18	37	37	38	33	34	40	38	24
Health/ NHS / hospitals	36	37	36	37	43	37	39	32	39
Crime/ law and order/ police	42	35	25	39	39	28	37	42	22
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Pensions/ social security/ poverty in Britain	33	28	31	27	26	26	28	30	28
The environment/ pollution/ global warming	20	18	44	9	12	45	12	2	11
Income tax/ VAT/ National Insurance/ Council Tax	18	15	10	17	11	13	15	17	5
Europe/ The European Union	15	15	10	17	9	11	14	24	6
Housing/ house prices/ interest rates	20	13	13	13	9	14	13	11	15
Transport/ bus and train fares/ roads	8	9	12	8	5	10	8	10	5
Child care/ nurseries/ schools/ universities	9	8	13	6	7	9	9	5	6
Countryside/ farming/ GM crops/ fox-hunting	3	2	2	2	1	4	2	1	1
International development/ poverty	3	2	5	1	2	4	1	0	6
Don't know	1	1	1	1	5	2	0	0	20

**Which three or four of these issues do you think are the most important facing YOU AND YOUR FAMILY? (Please tick up to four.)**

Prices/ inflation/ cost of living	60	61	52	64	64	55	64	63	44
The economy/ credit crunch/ jobs/ unemployment	58	54	51	56	50	49	59	52	40
Health/ NHS / hospitals	34	34	40	32	37	37	36	27	27
Income tax/ VAT/ National Insurance/ Council Tax	35	33	23	37	29	28	34	39	17
Pensions/ social security/ poverty in Britain	35	29	29	30	26	28	30	32	27
Housing/ house prices/ interest rates	33	28	27	28	23	28	28	27	22
Crime/ law and order/ police	28	25	22	26	26	22	25	31	15
Immigration/ asylum	20	18	13	20	17	13	18	27	15
Transport/ bus and train fares/ roads	14	17	21	16	13	19	17	15	13
The environment/ pollution/ global warming	14	14	34	6	9	36	8	2	8
Child care/ nurseries/ schools/ universities	14	13	18	11	14	16	14	9	6
Afghanistan/ the war on terrorism/ Islamic extremists	5	7	7	8	6	7	8	8	3
Europe/ The European Union	8	7	4	8	5	4	6	14	5
Countryside/ farming/ GM crops/ fox-hunting	3	2	4	1	2	3	2	1	0
International development/ poverty	1	1	2	0	0	2	1	0	0
Don't know	2	3	2	2	9	3	1	3	27

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	Voting intention			Gender		Age			Social Grade		Region				
Total	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	ABC1	C2DE	Lon-don	Rest of South	Midlands / Wales	North	Scot-land
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%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

**There have been recent controversies surrounding climate change research at the University of East Anglia. In general do you trust climate scientists to tell the truth about global warming or not?**

Yes, I trust them to tell the truth  
No, I do not trust them to tell the truth  
Don't know

41	35	50	51	43	39	52	40	34	43	38	42	41	42	39	40
44	55	35	37	48	42	30	47	53	44	45	43	44	42	48	43
15	10	15	12	10	19	19	13	13	14	16	15	15	17	13	17

**Which of the following best fits your view on global warming?**

The planet is warming and human activity is mainly responsible  
The planet is warming and human activity is partly responsible, together with other factors  
The planet is warming but human activity is not responsible at all  
The planet is not warming  
Don't know

21	14	27	27	22	20	28	23	15	21	22	26	21	24	18	20
62	69	61	66	60	63	56	64	64	63	61	59	62	61	63	66
8	9	7	5	8	7	6	6	10	8	8	6	8	6	10	6
4	6	2	1	6	3	4	4	5	4	4	4	4	5	4	3
5	3	4	1	4	6	7	3	5	4	6	6	5	5	5	5

**Would you support or oppose higher taxes, such as on petrol and flights, to reduce energy use and carbon emissions?**

Support  
Oppose  
Don't know

<b>26</b>	16	37	39	28	24	26	24	28	29	22	34	29	20	23	25
<b>64</b>	76	53	55	66	61	63	65	62	60	68	55	59	67	69	71
<b>11</b>	8	11	6	6	15	11	11	10	11	10	11	13	13	8	4

**Which of these statements comes closest to your view?**

*Nov 2006*

Global warming is a big and urgent issue: immediate and radical steps need to be taken to slow it down  
Global warming is a big issue, but more work needs to be done to understand it before radical changes are made to the way we live  
There is not yet enough clear evidence of global warming and therefore there is no need currently to consider any major steps to change the way we live  
Don't know

38	<b>24</b>	15	29	40	28	21	29	24	21	24	25	28	24	21	26	24
49	<b>54</b>	60	58	47	49	59	52	55	54	55	53	54	54	56	51	60
9	<b>18</b>	23	12	12	22	15	14	18	22	18	19	14	18	19	22	15
3	<b>4</b>	2	1	1	2	5	5	3	4	3	4	4	4	5	2	1

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Yes, I trust them to tell the truth	41	70	29	37	76	38	6	14
No, I do not trust them to tell the truth	44	21	57	24	15	45	85	24
Don't know	15	9	13	38	8	17	9	62
<b>Which of the following best fits your view on global warming?</b>								
The planet is warming and human activity is mainly responsible	21	39	15	20	52	16	0	10
The planet is warming and human activity is partly responsible, together with other factors	62	58	65	54	47	78	44	20
The planet is warming but human activity is not responsible at all	8	1	11	5	0	4	28	0
The planet is not warming	4	1	6	1	0	0	20	2
Don't know	5	1	4	19	1	2	7	67
<b>Would you support or oppose higher taxes, such as on petrol and flights, to reduce energy use and carbon emissions?</b>								
Support	<b>26</b>	100	0	0	56	21	5	4
Oppose	<b>64</b>	0	100	0	36	69	92	37
Don't know	<b>11</b>	0	0	100	8	11	3	59
<b>Which of these statements comes closest to your view?</b>								
		<i>Nov 2006</i>						
Global warming is a big and urgent issue: immediate and radical steps need to be taken to slow it down	38	<b>24</b>	53	14	19	100	0	0
Global warming is a big issue, but more work needs to be done to understand it before radical changes are made to the way we live	49	<b>54</b>	43	58	56	0	100	0
There is not yet enough clear evidence of global warming and therefore there is no need currently to consider any major steps to change the way we live	9	<b>18</b>	4	26	6	0	0	100
Don't know	3	<b>4</b>	1	2	20	0	0	100

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%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

**And which of these statements comes closest to your own view?**

*[Excluding those who do not think it is a problem]*

Nov  
2006

If introduced with enough urgency, new technologies can do enough to curb global warming without standards of living suffering	27	<b>29</b>	33	31	22	33	26	37	29	23	26	33	33	25	29	32	29
New technologies can help, but they won't be enough: standards of living will have to rise more slowly	45	<b>46</b>	47	43	57	49	44	42	49	47	50	41	40	51	46	44	45
In order to curb global warming, current standards of living in the world's richest countries will have to fall below current levels	19	<b>14</b>	11	15	16	12	16	7	14	20	14	14	15	14	13	14	14
Don't know	9	<b>11</b>	9	11	6	7	15	14	8	11	10	13	12	9	13	11	12

**This month a major international conference will be held in Copenhagen to seek world-wide agreement on measures to tackle climate change. If agreement is reached, do you think countries like Russia, China and India would make sure that those measures are implemented in their own country?**

Yes, they probably would	17	<b>13</b>	10	19	17	14	11	14	12	12	12	13	17	10	17	11	10
No, they probably would not	66	<b>74</b>	83	69	71	78	70	66	77	76	75	72	66	76	71	76	75
Don't know	17	<b>14</b>	7	12	12	8	19	20	10	12	13	15	16	14	12	13	16

**If there were agreement on common measures, do you think the United States would make sure those measures are implemented in the US?**

Yes, the US probably would	24	<b>34</b>	35	41	32	30	36	41	29	33	31	36	35	33	34	32	40
No, it probably would not	64	<b>54</b>	57	49	61	64	45	45	60	55	58	50	52	55	51	58	52
Don't know	12	<b>12</b>	8	11	7	6	19	14	11	12	11	14	13	12	16	11	8

**Suppose there is NO agreement at Copenhagen to take tough and effective measures, which of these statements comes closer to your view?**

Britain should take a lead in fighting global warming, even if this means that people like me have to change our ways	49	<b>36</b>	25	44	50	35	36	45	35	29	37	33	37	35	35	35	41
There is no point in Britain taking radical action to fight global warming until other countries also agree to take tough measures	45	<b>56</b>	70	50	46	59	53	44	56	65	55	57	54	57	55	59	51
Don't know	5	<b>9</b>	5	6	4	6	11	11	8	7	7	10	9	9	10	7	8

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No, they probably would not	66	<b>74</b>	67	80	54	66	77	85	24
Don't know	17	<b>14</b>	13	10	38	13	11	9	74

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There is no point in Britain taking radical action to fight global warming until other countries also agree to take tough measures	45	<b>56</b>	28	70	40	22	64	84	21
Don't know	5	<b>9</b>	2	8	29	5	6	10	72

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Suppose there IS agreement at Copenhagen to take tough measures to fight global warming: would you support or oppose higher taxes, such as on petrol and flights, if similar taxes were applied in all other developed countries?

Support	39	32	50	54	42	36	38	38	41	42	35	46	40	36	37	38
Oppose	46	57	39	37	49	44	44	48	46	45	48	41	45	46	50	51
Don't know	15	11	12	10	10	19	18	14	13	12	17	14	15	18	12	11

Do you agree or disagree with the following statement?

'Whatever happens at Copenhagen, the Government should spend more – if necessary by raising taxes – to invest in renewable energy such as wind farms and tidal power'

Strongly agree	17	11	22	25	20	14	16	18	16	18	15	21	16	14	17	18
Tend to agree	39	38	48	44	37	40	34	40	41	40	38	37	38	43	38	36
<b>TOTAL AGREE</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>54</b>
Tend to disagree	23	29	17	20	25	21	26	22	21	23	23	23	22	22	24	26
Strongly disagree	13	17	8	5	14	12	13	12	14	12	14	11	15	11	13	15
<b>TOTAL DISAGREE</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>41</b>
Don't know	9	5	6	7	4	13	12	8	8	8	10	8	10	11	8	6

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%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Suppose there IS agreement at Copenhagen to take tough measures to fight global warming: would you support or oppose higher taxes, such as on petrol and flights, if similar taxes were applied in all other developed countries?

Support	<b>39</b>	96	18	30	72	36	10	6
Oppose	<b>46</b>	2	70	15	20	49	79	19
Don't know	<b>15</b>	2	13	56	9	14	11	75

Do you agree or disagree with the following statement?

'Whatever happens at Copenhagen, the Government should spend more – if necessary by raising taxes – to invest in renewable energy such as wind farms and tidal power'

Strongly agree	<b>17</b>	42	8	7	43	9	8	1
Tend to agree	<b>39</b>	46	35	45	38	45	26	14
<b>TOTAL AGREE</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>15</b>
Tend to disagree	<b>23</b>	7	30	16	11	28	27	14
Strongly disagree	<b>13</b>	3	19	2	3	11	30	14
<b>TOTAL DISAGREE</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>28</b>
Don't know	<b>9</b>	3	8	31	5	7	10	57