

# YouGov / Daily Telegraph Survey Results

Sample Size: 2233 GB Adults  
Fieldwork: 23rd - 25th June 2009  
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## Headline Voting Intention

*[Excluding Don't Know and Wouldn't Vote]*

Con	<b>38</b>
Lab	<b>25</b>
Lib Dem	<b>18</b>
Other	<b>19</b>

## Other Parties Voting Intention

UKIP	<b>7</b>
Green	<b>4</b>
SNP / PCY	<b>3</b>
BNP	<b>3</b>
Respect	<b>0</b>
Other	<b>1</b>

## Non Voters

<i>Would Not Vote</i>	<b>9</b>
<i>Don't know</i>	<b>11</b>

## Do you approve or disapprove of the Government's record to date?

Approve	<b>17</b>
Disapprove	<b>69</b>
Don't know	<b>14</b>

## Which of these would make the best Prime Minister?

David Cameron	<b>35</b>
Gordon Brown	<b>18</b>
Nick Clegg	<b>10</b>
Don't know	<b>36</b>

## Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with Gordon Brown as Prime Minister?

Satisfied	<b>19</b>
Dissatisfied	<b>71</b>
Don't know	<b>10</b>

**Do you think that David Cameron is or is not proving a good leader of the Conservative Party?**

Is proving a good leader	<b>49</b>
Is not proving a good leader	<b>30</b>
Don't know	<b>21</b>

**If you had to choose, which would you prefer to see after the next election, a Conservative government led by David Cameron or a Labour government led by Gordon Brown?**

Conservative government led by David Cameron	<b>50</b>
Labour government led by Gordon Brown	<b>31</b>
Don't know	<b>19</b>

**Which party do you think is more likely to run Britain's economy well – the Conservatives or the Labour Party?**

Conservative	<b>36</b>
Labour	<b>24</b>
Neither	<b>32</b>
Don't know	<b>9</b>

**How do you think the financial situation of your household will change over the next 12 months?**

Get a lot better	<b>3</b>
Get a little better	<b>18</b>
<b>TOTAL BETTER</b>	<b>21</b>
Stay the same	<b>35</b>
Get a little worse	<b>31</b>
Get a lot worse	<b>10</b>
<b>TOTAL WORSE</b>	<b>41</b>
Don't know	<b>4</b>

**Overall, do you think the Government's measures for tackling Britain's recession...**

Have started to work	<b>11</b>
Will start to work in the near future	<b>13</b>
Will start to work but not for some time	<b>23</b>
Will make little or no difference to the economy	<b>26</b>
Will end up making things worse	<b>18</b>
Don't know	<b>9</b>

**How much do you trust the Conservatives to take the right decisions about taxes and public spending?**

	Trust a great deal	6
	Trust to some extent	31
	<b>TOTAL TRUST</b>	<b>37</b>
	Do not trust much	28
	Do not trust at all	29
	<b>TOTAL DISTRUST</b>	<b>56</b>
	Don't know	7

**And how much do you trust Labour to take the right decisions about taxes and public spending?**

	Trust a great deal	4
	Trust to some extent	26
	<b>TOTAL TRUST</b>	<b>30</b>
	Do not trust much	28
	Do not trust at all	38
	<b>TOTAL DISTRUST</b>	<b>65</b>
	Don't know	5

**Many economists say that either taxes must rise sharply, or public spending must be cut sharply over the next few years in order to get Britain's public finances in to balance.**

**If a choice has to be made which would you favour?**

	Higher taxes	12
	Less public spending	31
	A mixture of the two	48
	Don't know	9

**If public spending has to be cut which two of the following sectors should face the biggest cuts? [Please tick 2 options]**

	Defence	51
Welfare benefits (e.g. state pension, unemployment benefit, child benefit)		40
Britain's infrastructure (e.g. new school and hospital buildings roads railways)		34
	Law and order	13
	Education	10
	Health	6
	Don't know	18

Some people say that we should change the way we fund public services, so that less of it is financed through general taxation, and more of it in other ways – such as charging motorists to drive on motorways and in city centres, and requiring better-off patients to pay for some of the costs of hospital treatment.

**Do you regard this as a good idea or a bad idea?**

Good idea – taxes should be cut, and other ways found to finance some public spending	<b>36</b>
Bad idea – the fairest and most efficient way to finance public services is through the tax system	<b>49</b>
Don't know	<b>15</b>

**To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?**

**The choice at the next election will be between Labour investment and Tory cuts**

Strongly agree	<b>8</b>
Tend to agree	<b>34</b>
<b>TOTAL AGREE</b>	<b>42</b>
Tend to disagree	<b>19</b>
Strongly disagree	<b>13</b>
<b>TOTAL DISAGREE</b>	<b>32</b>
Don't know	<b>26</b>

**The choice at the next election will be between Conservative honesty and Labour lies about the tough measures on tax and spending that will be needed over the next few years**

Strongly agree	<b>13</b>
Tend to agree	<b>27</b>
<b>TOTAL AGREE</b>	<b>40</b>
Tend to disagree	<b>21</b>
Strongly disagree	<b>20</b>
<b>TOTAL DISAGREE</b>	<b>41</b>
Don't know	<b>20</b>

**Whatever they say, Labour politicians are not really interested in keeping the taxes paid by people like me as low as possible**

Strongly agree	<b>24</b>
Tend to agree	<b>34</b>
<b>TOTAL AGREE</b>	<b>58</b>
Tend to disagree	<b>21</b>
Strongly disagree	<b>6</b>
<b>TOTAL DISAGREE</b>	<b>27</b>
Don't know	<b>16</b>

**Whatever they say, Conservative politicians aren't really interested in maintaining the quality of services provided by such public services as NHS hospitals and state schools**

Strongly agree	18
Tend to agree	27
<b>TOTAL AGREE</b>	<b>45</b>
Tend to disagree	25
Strongly disagree	11
<b>TOTAL DISAGREE</b>	<b>36</b>
Don't know	18

**If the Conservatives win the next election**

**Do you think they will increase or reduce the taxes paid by people like you or not make much difference?**

Raise taxes a lot	22
Raise taxes a little	39
<b>RAISE TAXES</b>	<b>61</b>
Not make much difference	23
Reduce taxes a little	6
Reduce taxes a lot	1
<b>REDUCE TAXES</b>	<b>7</b>
Don't know	8

**And if the Labour wins the next election**

**Do you think they will increase or reduce the taxes paid by people like you or not make much difference?**

Raise taxes a lot	32
Raise taxes a little	38
<b>RAISE TAXES</b>	<b>70</b>
Not make much difference	21
Reduce taxes a little	1
Reduce taxes a lot	1
<b>REDUCE TAXES</b>	<b>2</b>
Don't know	8

**Some people say it is possible to reduce public spending by up to ten per cent (10%) - that is, by £10 in every £100 - by running our public services more efficiently, and without reducing the quality of public services or the level of welfare benefits.**

**In principle do you think it is possible to do this or not?**

Yes, it is definitely possible	33
Yes, it is probably possible	44
<b>TOTAL YES</b>	<b>77</b>
No, it is probably not possible	12
No, it is definitely not possible	3
<b>TOTAL NO</b>	<b>14</b>
Don't know	9

**If Labour felt it had to reduce public spending by up to ten per cent (10%)**

**Do you think it would manage to do so while preserving the quality of public services and the level of welfare benefits or would it not manage to achieve this?**

Labour would manage to maintain quality of services and level of benefits	<b>17</b>
Labour would not manage to do so	<b>63</b>
Don't know	<b>20</b>

**If a Conservative government felt it had to reduce public spending by up to ten per cent (10%)...**

**Do you think it would manage to do so while preserving the quality of public services and the level of welfare benefits or would it not manage to achieve this?**

Conservatives would manage to maintain quality of services and level of benefits	<b>27</b>
Conservatives would not manage to do so	<b>49</b>
Don't know	<b>24</b>

**The House of Commons has chosen a new Speaker, to succeed Michael Martin, who resigned over the disclosures about MPs' allowances.**

**The new Speaker is John Bercow. He said before his election he was the 'clean break' candidate who would reform the House of Commons in order to restore its reputation.**

**Do you think he is right or wrong to seek a 'clean break' from the past?**

Right - much needs changing in order to restore public confidence	<b>73</b>
Wrong - parliamentary traditions have served Britain well, and should not be abandoned abruptly	<b>13</b>
Don't know	<b>14</b>

**Do you think Mr Bercow will in fact make radical changes or will he be prevented by other MPs from doing so?**

Radical changes are likely to take place	<b>17</b>
Radical changes are likely to be blocked	<b>63</b>
Don't know	<b>20</b>

**Do you agree or disagree with Mr Bercow's statement, following his election as Speaker, that the 'vast majority of MPs are upright, decent, honourable people who have come into politics, not to feather their nests, but because they have heeded the call of public service'?**

Agree	<b>31</b>
Disagree	<b>52</b>
Don't know	<b>17</b>