

YouGov / Daily Telegraph Survey Results

Sample Size: 2267

Fieldwork: 26th - 27th August 2008

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Headline Voting Intention	
<i>[Excluding Don't Knows and Wouldn't Vote]</i>	
Con	45
Lab	26
Lib Dem	16
Other	13
Other Parties Voting Intention	
<i>[Excluding Don't Knows and Wouldn't Vote]</i>	
SNP / PCY	5
Green	2
UKIP	2
BNP	3
Respect	0
Other	1
Non Voters	
<i>Would Not Vote</i>	7
<i>Don't know</i>	13
Do you approve or disapprove of the Government's record to date?	
Approve	18
Disapprove	68
Don't know	14
Which of these would make the best Prime Minister?	
David Cameron	37
Gordon Brown	19
Nick Clegg	6
Don't know	37
Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with Gordon Brown as Prime Minister?	
Satisfied	17
Dissatisfied	72
Don't know	11
Do you think that David Cameron is or is not proving a good leader of the Conservative Party?	
Is proving a good leader	48
Is not proving a good leader	27
Don't know	25
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	51
Labour government led by Gordon Brown	32
Don't know	17

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

Conservative	38
Labour	24
Neither	27
Don't know	11

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

Get a lot better	2
Get a little better	7
Stay the same	17
Get a little worse	42
Get a lot worse	29
Don't know	4

The Government is reported to be considering a number of one-off measures this autumn to help people suffering from the 'credit crunch' and the rising prices of food and fuel.

Here are some possibilities the Government might consider. Please tick the the TWO or THREE that you personally would be most in favour of.

A limited period during which petrol duty is reduced by 5p a litre	58
A one-off increase of £150 in the winter fuel allowance for people over 60	52
A limited period during which the Government uses subsidies to reduce the price of basic foods such as bread and eggs	51
A one-off payment of £150 to all families receiving child benefit	27
A limited period when stamp duty is waived on the purchase of homes	21
A limited period during which all first-time home-buyers receive a government grant of £2 000 towards their deposit when they buy their home	18
None of these	7
Don't know	3

Suppose the Government did introduce the measures you yourself are most in favour of. Would that make you more inclined to vote Labour at the next election, less inclined, or would it not make any difference?

It would make me more inclined to vote Labour	26
It would make me less inclined	2
It would not make any difference – I would vote Labour anyway	15
It would not make any difference – I would NOT vote Labour anyway	44
Don't know	13

Suppose the Conservative Party promised that if it won the next general election it would cut both taxes and government spending. Would that make you more inclined to vote Conservative at the election, less inclined, or would it not make any difference?

It would make me more inclined to vote Conservative	26
It would make me less inclined	8
It would not make any difference – I would vote Conservative anyway	21
It would not make any difference – I would NOT vote Conservative anyway	29
Don't know	17

Although the Government could target any new measures at particular groups of people, it could also decide to provide help to everyone.

Which of these statements comes closest to your own view?

The Government should temporarily reduce the rate of income for everyone	34
The Government should temporarily reduce the rate of VAT	19
The Government should not introduce across-the-board reductions but should target help at the most needy	38
Don't know	10

Thinking in particular of first-time home-buyers, which of these two statements comes closer to your own view?

First-time home-buyers should be required to save in order to be able to put down a substantial deposit: such a requirement would lead to more responsible behaviour by both potential home-buyers and mortgage lenders	58
First-time home-buyers should not be required to save in order to be able to put down a substantial deposit: such a requirement would disadvantage the poor and delay people's chances of getting on the 'housing ladder'	27
Don't know	15

On a different topic, do you regard Russia just at the moment as a threat to world peace?

Yes, I do	50
No, I don't	29
Not sure	21

Do you regard Russia just at the moment as a threat to the peace of Europe?

Yes, I do	54
No, I don't	26
Not sure	20

Do you think that Russia's neighbours – countries such as Poland, Ukraine and the Baltic states – have, or do not have good reason to fear that Russia will seek to reassert its domination over them?

Yes, they do have good reason to be afraid	65
No, they don't	17
Don't know	17

What approach do you think the US, Britain and other Western countries should take towards Russia?

They should stand up to Russia, consider expelling Russia from international organisations such as the G8 and encourage countries bordering on Russia, such as Georgia and Ukraine, to join the Nato alliance	36
They should pursue a 'good neighbour' policy towards Russia, refrain from basing the proposed missile-defence systems in Poland and the Czech Republic and refuse to allow countries such as Georgia and Ukraine to join Nato	31
Not sure	33

Which of the following statements do you think best describes Russia today?

Russia is a fully democratic country, with a free press and free and fair elections	1
Although Russia is not yet a fully democratic country, it is moving steadily in that direction	18
Although Russia presents itself as a democracy, in reality it is virtually a dictatorship, with severe restrictions on press freedom and rigged elections	56
Russia has reverted to being a full totalitarian dictatorship along the lines of Stalin's Russia and Hitler's Germany	4
Don't know	22

How much do you personally trust Vladimir Putin, the former Russian President who is now Prime Minister?

A great deal	1
A fair amount	7
Not much	44
Not at all	31
Don't know	17

Turning now to the Olympics.

Do you agree or disagree with the following statements about Britain's successful performance - the best for 100 years - in Beijing?

Team GB's success shows that it's 'piffle' to say that Britain is a broken society	Agree	39
	Disagree	40
	Not sure	21
Team GB benefited massively from National Lottery funding: without that funding it would have been far less successful	Agree	79
	Disagree	5
	Not sure	16
Too much money has been spent on helping a few Britons win Olympic medals: it would have been better to spend less on them and more on improving sports facilities for everyone	Agree	39
	Disagree	40
	Not sure	21
Britain has a stronger economy and society than it used to have: this is one reason Team GB did so well	Agree	13
	Disagree	68
	Not sure	20
Following the Beijing games, are you now in favour of Britain staging the 2012 Olympics or not?	Yes, I am in favour	57
	No, I'm not	33
	Don't know	10

The Government has said it will contribute £9.3 billion and no more than that towards the cost of the 2012 Olympics.

If the Olympics turn out to cost even more than was originally planned, do you believe the Government should, or should not, be prepared to contribute more than £9.3 billion?

Yes, it should	30
No, it shouldn't	32
It should never have contributed that much in the first place	32
Don't know	7

Do you think of the 2012 games mainly as the BRITISH Olympics or mainly as the LONDON Olympics?

I think of them mainly as the British Olympics	38
I think of them mainly as the London Olympics	57
Don't know	6

At the moment, apart from the sailing and some of the soccer almost all the events in the 2012 Olympics are scheduled to be staged in the London area.

Do you think more of the events should be staged outside London?

Yes, more of them should be	64
No	26
Don't know	10

If the cost of the 2012 games does turn out to be more than £9.3 billion, should the additional cost be born by Londoners or by everyone out of general taxation?

By Londoners	40
By everyone out of general taxation	41
Don't know	20