

## Daily Tracking Poll

### Fieldwork : April 28th-29th 2005

Absolutes/col percents

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	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid-lands	North Eng-land	Wales & South West	Scot-land	Con-ser-vative	Labour	Lib-eral Dem-ocrat	
Unweighted base	716	322	394	61	132	143	128	116	136	214	178	122	202	191	187	176	98	64	118	221	106	
Weighted base	716	344	372	79	122	143	122	107	143	179	208	150	179	191	187	176	100	63	115	221	106	
NET: Well	556	280	276	64	93	111	91	86	111	146	172	113	125	146	145	137	82	46	83	205	91	
	78%	82%	74%	82%	77%	77%	75%	80%	77%	81%	83%	75%	70%	77%	78%	78%	83%	73%	72%	93%	85%	
Very well	(4)	96	52	44	3	13	18	13	17	21	30	23	23	25	22	29	14	6	10	50	12	
		13%	15%	12%	4%	11%	12%	10%	16%	23%	12%	14%	15%	13%	13%	12%	16%	14%	10%	9%	23%	11%
Quite well	(3)	460	228	232	61	80	93	78	69	78	125	142	91	102	121	123	108	69	40	73	155	79
		64%	66%	62%	78%	66%	65%	64%	64%	55%	70%	69%	60%	57%	63%	66%	61%	69%	63%	63%	70%	74%
Quite badly	(2)	93	34	60	11	15	20	17	8	22	21	19	32	36	22	16	10	9	26	4	11	
		13%	10%	16%	14%	13%	14%	14%	7%	15%	12%	10%	13%	18%	19%	12%	9%	11%	14%	22%	2%	10%
Very badly	(1)	41	22	19	4	7	9	8	8	6	7	9	12	12	6	15	14	4	3	5	8	3
		6%	7%	5%	5%	6%	6%	6%	8%	4%	4%	5%	8%	7%	3%	8%	8%	4%	5%	4%	4%	3%
NET: Badly		135	56	78	14	22	29	25	16	28	29	30	31	44	41	37	30	15	12	31	12	13
		19%	16%	21%	18%	18%	20%	20%	15%	19%	16%	15%	21%	25%	22%	20%	17%	15%	19%	27%	5%	13%
Don't know		26	7	18	-	6	3	6	5	5	5	6	10	3	5	9	3	5	2	4	2	
		4%	2%	5%	-	5%	2%	5%	5%	3%	3%	3%	4%	5%	2%	3%	5%	3%	9%	2%	2%	2%
Mean		2.88	2.92	2.85	2.81	2.86	2.85	2.83	2.92	2.99	2.91	2.95	2.86	2.80	2.88	2.84	2.91	2.95	2.85	2.77	3.14	2.96
Standard deviation		0.71	0.72	0.69	0.57	0.68	0.72	0.71	0.76	0.75	0.64	0.66	0.78	0.76	0.66	0.74	0.77	0.65	0.67	0.66	0.62	0.57
Standard error		0.03	0.04	0.04	0.07	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.07	0.07	0.04	0.05	0.07	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.09	0.06	0.04	0.06

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Mean	2.85	2.89	2.81	2.83	2.74	2.82	2.87	2.85	2.97	2.85	2.94	2.80	2.79	2.82	2.81	2.86	2.96	2.87	2.76	3.09	2.90
Standard deviation	0.69	0.69	0.68	0.71	0.72	0.69	0.60	0.78	0.63	0.59	0.64	0.78	0.74	0.69	0.71	0.70	0.65	0.58	0.66	0.62	0.58
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