

Times Poll

Fieldwork : May 5th-7th 2006

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Table 1

Q.1 Many people currently say that they probably won't vote at all, while others say they would definitely vote.

How likely are you, personally, to vote at the next election?

Q.2 If there were a general election tomorrow, which party would you vote for?

Data excludes those who score 1/DK/Not registered for likelihood to vote (13%), or who don't know who they would vote for (13%), or who refuse to answer (8%).

THIS TABLE DOES NOT INCLUDE ADJUSTMENT FOR DON'T KNOW/REFUSERS

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	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	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	820	396	424	54	110	171	156	149	179	280	152	110	277	223	215	195	107	81	292	278	154	263
Weighted base	831	412	419	65	121	164	158	139	184	236	236	155	205	232	216	196	108	79	322	240	166	259
Conservative	322	158	164	15	43	56	66	62	82	98	85	68	72	116	96	63	37	10	322	-	-	80
	39%	38%	39%	23%	35%	34%	41%	44%	44%	41%	36%	44%	35%	50%	44%	32%	34%	13%	100%	-	-	31%
Labour	240	116	124	32	35	54	44	27	47	59	74	41	66	47	56	69	42	26	-	240	-	71
	29%	28%	29%	50%	29%	33%	28%	19%	25%	25%	31%	26%	32%	20%	26%	35%	39%	33%	-	100%	-	27%
Liberal Democrat	166	78	88	11	20	29	31	37	37	53	45	22	46	49	41	48	16	10	-	-	166	62
	20%	19%	21%	17%	17%	18%	20%	26%	20%	22%	19%	14%	23%	21%	19%	25%	15%	13%	-	-	100%	24%
SNP	26	8	18	1	4	6	5	4	5	5	11	7	4	-	-	-	*	26	-	-	-	7
	3%	2%	4%	2%	4%	4%	3%	3%	3%	2%	5%	4%	2%	-	-	-	*	32%	-	-	-	3%
Plaid Cymru	4	1	3	-	-	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	-	-	-	1	4	-	-	-	-	1
	1%	*	1%	-	-	*	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	-	-	-	*	3%	-	-	-	-	*
The Green Party	28	18	10	2	4	11	4	5	1	9	9	5	5	10	7	4	5	2	-	-	-	17
	3%	4%	2%	3%	4%	7%	3%	4%	*	4%	4%	3%	2%	4%	3%	2%	4%	3%	-	-	-	7%
The United Kingdom Independence Party (UKIP)	3	3	1	-	2	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	2	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
	*	1%	*	-	1%	*	-	-	1%	*	-	-	1%	*	1%	-	1%	-	-	-	-	*
The British National Party (BNP)	23	14	9	1	7	2	6	1	6	4	4	8	6	7	8	6	2	1	-	-	-	10
	3%	3%	2%	1%	6%	1%	4%	1%	3%	2%	2%	5%	3%	3%	4%	3%	1%	1%	-	-	-	4%
The Scottish Socialist Party	1	1	-	-	-	*	-	-	1	1	-	-	*	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	*
	*	*	-	-	-	*	-	-	1%	*	-	-	*	-	-	-	-	2%	-	-	-	*
The Natural Law Party	*	*	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	*	*	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Respect	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
	*	*	-	-	1%	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	*
Some other party	17	14	3	2	5	3	1	2	4	3	7	3	4	2	7	4	1	3	-	-	-	9
	2%	3%	1%	3%	4%	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%	3%	2%	2%	1%	3%	2%	1%	3%	-	-	-	3%

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Table 2
Published voting intention figures:- May 2006

	<u>Total</u>
Conservative	38%
Labour	30%
Liberal Democrat/ Liberal	20%
Scottish National Party/SNP	3%
Plaid Cymru	*
Other	8%

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Table 3

Q.5 Thinking ahead to the next election, expected in 3 or 4 years' time, if the choice then is between Labour led by Gordon Brown, the Conservatives led by David Cameron and the Liberal Democrats led by Ming Campbell, which party would you vote for - or would you vote for some other party or not vote at all?

Base: All "Sample A" respondents expressing an intention to vote

Weighting: Past Vote & Turnout Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	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 Demo-crat	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	424	204	220	22	60	90	89	75	87	144	86	59	135	113	116	99	56	39	126	128	76	140
Weighted base	439	212	227	27	67	89	91	76	89	120	134	83	102	117	123	102	55	42	141	110	86	139
Labour	138 31%	63 30%	74 33%	14 52%	19 28%	33 38%	28 30%	18 24%	26 29%	29 25%	43 32%	29 34%	36 36%	28 24%	29 23%	41 41%	22 40%	17 41%	3 2%	95 86%	10 11%	47 34%
Liberal Democrat	81 18%	38 18%	43 19%	7 26%	12 18%	9 10%	22 24%	16 20%	15 17%	27 23%	24 18%	11 14%	18 18%	24 20%	18 14%	24 24%	7 12%	8 20%	1 1%	4 4%	65 75%	24 17%
Conservative	180 41%	93 44%	86 38%	6 23%	28 42%	34 39%	33 37%	35 47%	42 47%	54 45%	55 41%	33 40%	38 37%	54 46%	66 54%	31 31%	22 39%	7 17%	135 96%	9 8%	8 9%	52 37%
Other	41 9%	17 8%	24 10%	- -	8 12%	12 13%	8 9%	7 9%	6 7%	10 8%	12 9%	10 12%	9 9%	11 9%	11 9%	5 5%	5 9%	9 23%	2 2%	2 2%	4 4%	16 12%

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Table 4

Q.6 Please say which one of the following statements you most agree with?**Base: All "Sample B" respondents****Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights**

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	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 Democ-rat	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	759	358	401	71	121	159	121	121	166	244	137	108	270	203	199	185	106	66	187	167	78	288
Weighted base	756	362	394	83	129	154	117	107	167	198	211	155	193	212	197	181	105	61	190	164	70	287
I am satisfied with the Labour Government overall.	118 16%	57 16%	62 16%	22 26%	19 15%	25 16%	6 5%	15 14%	31 19%	26 13%	34 16%	19 12%	40 21%	20 9%	33 17%	32 17%	16 15%	17 28%	6 3%	61 37%	4 5%	38 13%
I am disappointed in the Labour Government overall, but I still prefer them to a Conservative Government.	254 34%	128 35%	126 32%	36 43%	50 39%	58 37%	40 34%	28 27%	43 25%	61 31%	76 36%	57 37%	60 31%	66 31%	61 31%	73 40%	34 32%	20 33%	15 8%	94 57%	38 54%	124 43%
I am disappointed in the Labour Government overall and I would rather have a Conservative Government.	284 37%	136 38%	147 37%	18 22%	43 33%	48 31%	53 46%	49 46%	72 43%	90 46%	67 32%	65 42%	62 32%	101 48%	75 38%	51 28%	38 36%	18 29%	165 87%	6 4%	22 31%	96 33%
None of these	60 8%	24 6%	36 9%	4 5%	10 8%	13 8%	10 9%	8 8%	15 9%	13 7%	23 11%	5 4%	19 10%	11 5%	15 8%	19 10%	11 10%	4 7%	4 2%	1 1%	4 6%	14 5%
Refused	8 1%	2 1%	6 2%	-	*	2 1%	3 3%	1 1%	1 1%	3 2%	2 1%	1 *	2 1%	2 1%	3 1%	2 1%	1 1%	-	-	-	-	1 *
Don't know	33 4%	16 4%	17 4%	4 4%	6 5%	8 5%	4 4%	6 5%	5 3%	5 3%	9 4%	8 5%	10 5%	11 5%	10 5%	5 3%	6 5%	2 4%	*	2 1%	2 3%	14 5%

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Table 5
Q.7 How good a leader is Tony Blair?
Base: All "Sample A" respondents
Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention				
	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 Democ-rat	Swing Voters	
Unweighted base	757	354	403	67	116	155	149	127	143	225	149	119	264	201	198	186	104	68	158	193	104	278	
Weighted base	760	366	394	84	129	149	141	121	135	182	229	163	186	192	199	191	106	72	162	191	103	279	
Very good indeed	(10)	37 5%	12 3%	25 6%	5 6%	8 6%	5 3%	6 4%	6 5%	7 5%	3 2%	12 5%	9 6%	13 7%	7 3%	6 3%	13 7%	5 5%	6 8%	- -	22 12%	6 6%	9 3%
	(9)	22 3%	7 2%	15 4%	2 2%	2 2%	6 4%	2 1%	4 3%	7 5%	7 4%	2 2%	9 5%	6 3%	4 2%	3 2%	7 6%	2 3%	2 1%	17 9%	1 1%	4 1%	
	(8)	87 11%	36 10%	52 13%	11 14%	19 15%	20 14%	8 5%	9 7%	20 15%	16 9%	23 14%	22 12%	16 8%	15 7%	31 16%	17 16%	9 12%	6 4%	54 28%	5 5%	37 13%	
	(7)	65 9%	36 10%	29 7%	9 11%	10 8%	8 5%	18 12%	10 8%	9 7%	15 8%	25 11%	6 4%	19 10%	17 9%	25 13%	12 6%	11 10%	1 1%	11 7%	26 14%	9 9%	25 9%
	(6)	69 9%	37 10%	32 8%	9 11%	12 9%	22 15%	13 9%	8 7%	5 3%	25 14%	20 9%	17 10%	7 4%	16 9%	16 8%	24 13%	5 5%	7 9%	12 7%	26 14%	10 10%	29 11%
	(5)	127 17%	64 17%	64 16%	13 16%	22 17%	31 21%	25 18%	21 17%	15 11%	31 17%	44 19%	31 19%	22 12%	42 22%	25 13%	34 18%	8 8%	18 25%	31 19%	21 11%	25 24%	59 21%
	(4)	53 7%	26 7%	27 7%	6 7%	9 7%	9 6%	13 9%	11 9%	5 4%	11 6%	21 9%	12 7%	9 5%	15 8%	16 8%	14 7%	7 7%	* 1%	15 9%	6 3%	10 10%	18 6%
	(3)	70 9%	34 9%	36 9%	11 14%	12 9%	10 7%	14 10%	10 8%	12 9%	24 13%	23 10%	11 7%	13 7%	21 11%	22 11%	13 7%	7 7%	6 9%	22 14%	7 4%	9 9%	31 11%
	(2)	48 6%	20 5%	29 7%	4 5%	6 4%	7 5%	5 3%	14 11%	13 10%	11 6%	12 5%	10 6%	15 8%	14 7%	9 5%	9 5%	8 7%	8 12%	15 9%	3 2%	8 8%	19 7%
Very bad indeed	(1)	150 20%	82 23%	67 17%	12 14%	22 17%	29 20%	33 23%	23 19%	32 23%	32 18%	39 17%	35 21%	44 24%	31 16%	53 27%	28 15%	26 25%	12 17%	44 27%	7 3%	18 17%	39 14%
Refused		7 1%	4 1%	3 1%	- -	- -	- -	2 1%	2 1%	3 2%	1 1%	3 1%	- -	2 1%	3 2%	2 1%	2 1%	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -
Don't know		25 3%	8 2%	17 4%	2 2%	7 5%	2 1%	3 2%	4 4%	7 5%	5 3%	2 1%	7 4%	11 6%	5 2%	6 3%	7 4%	4 4%	2 3%	3 2%	1 1%	3 2%	10 4%
Mean		4.72	4.49	4.93	5.07	5.03	4.85	4.42	4.44	4.61	4.59	4.85	4.67	4.73	4.65	4.25	5.21	4.80	4.80	3.62	6.92	4.52	4.84
Standard deviation		2.75	2.66	2.82	2.65	2.76	2.65	2.61	2.72	3.07	2.53	2.64	2.78	3.08	2.54	2.70	2.70	3.09	2.87	2.23	2.21	2.52	2.49
Standard error		0.10	0.14	0.14	0.33	0.26	0.21	0.22	0.25	0.27	0.17	0.22	0.26	0.20	0.18	0.20	0.20	0.31	0.35	0.18	0.16	0.25	0.15

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Table 6

Q.7 How good a leader is David Cameron?**Base: All "Sample A" respondents****Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights**

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention				
	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 Democ-rat	Swing Voters	
Unweighted base	757	354	403	67	116	155	149	127	143	225	149	119	264	201	198	186	104	68	158	193	104	278	
Weighted base	760	366	394	84	129	149	141	121	135	182	229	163	186	192	199	191	106	72	162	191	103	279	
Very good indeed	(10)	11	4	7	-	2	1	3	1	4	3	1	2	5	5	3	1	2	*	8	1	-	2
		1%	1%	2%	-	2%	1%	2%	1%	3%	1%	*	1%	3%	2%	1%	2%	1%	5%	1%	-	1%	
	(9)	9	4	5	1	2	1	-	2	3	3	2	2	3	2	4	3	-	1	3	4	*	3
		1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	-	2%	3%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%	-	1%	2%	2%	*	1%
	(8)	53	25	28	3	5	9	9	10	16	14	21	6	12	19	17	11	2	4	34	6	2	11
		7%	7%	7%	3%	4%	6%	6%	9%	12%	8%	9%	4%	6%	10%	9%	6%	2%	5%	21%	3%	2%	4%
	(7)	86	58	28	6	26	18	13	11	13	26	32	15	13	30	27	17	12	-	42	14	8	24
		11%	16%	7%	7%	20%	12%	9%	9%	9%	14%	14%	9%	7%	16%	14%	9%	11%	-	26%	7%	8%	9%
	(6)	105	44	61	12	11	22	21	24	16	37	22	20	26	29	27	24	10	14	24	34	18	44
		14%	12%	15%	14%	8%	15%	15%	20%	12%	20%	9%	12%	14%	15%	14%	13%	10%	19%	15%	18%	18%	16%
	(5)	211	96	115	26	34	52	38	35	26	39	75	54	43	42	48	66	34	22	30	46	36	91
		28%	26%	29%	31%	26%	35%	27%	29%	19%	22%	33%	33%	23%	22%	24%	34%	32%	31%	18%	24%	35%	33%
	(4)	49	24	26	6	7	11	10	6	10	19	13	4	13	16	13	10	5	6	5	21	8	20
		6%	6%	6%	7%	5%	7%	7%	5%	7%	10%	6%	3%	7%	8%	6%	5%	4%	8%	3%	11%	8%	7%
	(3)	41	19	22	2	7	14	12	4	2	6	14	15	6	6	8	13	11	3	5	14	6	13
		5%	5%	6%	2%	5%	9%	9%	4%	1%	3%	6%	9%	3%	3%	4%	7%	11%	5%	3%	7%	6%	5%
	(2)	25	13	12	2	2	3	6	5	7	8	1	9	6	7	6	3	5	4	1	10	4	7
		3%	3%	3%	2%	1%	2%	4%	4%	5%	4%	1%	5%	3%	3%	3%	2%	4%	5%	1%	5%	4%	3%
Very bad indeed	(1)	63	40	23	6	10	7	13	9	18	6	21	12	23	12	14	17	6	12	4	13	6	13
		8%	11%	6%	8%	8%	5%	9%	7%	13%	3%	9%	8%	12%	6%	7%	9%	6%	17%	2%	7%	6%	5%
Refused		7	4	3	-	-	-	3	2	2	2	3	-	2	2	3	-	-	-	*	-	-	-
		1%	1%	1%	-	-	-	2%	1%	2%	1%	1%	-	1%	1%	2%	-	-	-	*	-	-	-
Don't know		101	35	66	21	25	12	14	11	18	18	25	23	34	22	30	24	19	5	8	28	14	51
		13%	10%	17%	25%	19%	8%	10%	9%	14%	10%	11%	14%	19%	12%	15%	12%	18%	8%	5%	15%	14%	18%
Mean		5.11	5.03	5.18	4.93	5.27	5.14	4.85	5.25	5.15	5.46	5.15	4.82	4.93	5.47	5.34	4.95	4.84	4.36	6.49	4.85	4.88	5.14
Standard deviation		2.07	2.16	1.97	1.81	2.05	1.78	2.09	2.00	2.52	1.87	2.00	2.01	2.35	2.09	2.09	1.96	1.95	2.11	1.78	1.94	1.64	1.73
Standard error		0.08	0.12	0.11	0.26	0.21	0.15	0.18	0.19	0.23	0.13	0.18	0.20	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.21	0.27	0.15	0.15	0.17	0.11	

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Very good indeed	(10)	7 1%	3 1%	4 1%	1 1%	- -	* *	2 1%	1 1%	3 2%	1 1%	- -	6 3%	2 1%	2 1%	2 1%	1 1%	1 2%	2 1%	* *	4 3%	3 1%	
	(9)	4 1%	2 1%	2 1%	2 2%	1 *	2 1%	* -	- -	1 *	3 1%	- -	* *	1 *	* *	- -	- -	3 4%	- -	- -	4 4%	3 1%	
	(8)	37 5%	17 5%	21 5%	1 2%	6 5%	6 4%	7 5%	7 6%	9 7%	11 6%	7 3%	7 4%	13 7%	4 2%	9 5%	19 10%	1 1%	5 6%	5 3%	12 6%	11 11%	14 5%
	(7)	60 8%	33 9%	27 7%	8 10%	7 5%	6 4%	16 12%	5 4%	17 13%	14 8%	16 7%	15 9%	16 9%	32 16%	9 5%	8 4%	9 9%	2 2%	15 9%	10 5%	18 18%	19 7%
	(6)	72 9%	28 8%	43 11%	5 6%	16 12%	16 11%	10 7%	12 10%	13 10%	20 11%	24 11%	10 6%	18 9%	15 8%	15 8%	22 11%	12 12%	7 10%	17 10%	24 12%	22 22%	22 8%
	(5)	191 25%	91 25%	100 25%	17 20%	36 28%	47 32%	30 21%	34 28%	28 20%	48 26%	62 27%	42 26%	39 21%	52 27%	53 27%	48 25%	22 21%	17 23%	49 30%	48 25%	19 19%	77 28%
	(4)	69 9%	33 9%	37 9%	8 10%	6 5%	19 13%	14 10%	16 13%	7 5%	22 12%	25 11%	9 6%	13 7%	13 7%	24 12%	16 8%	11 10%	6 8%	18 11%	22 12%	4 4%	22 8%
	(3)	59 8%	37 10%	22 6%	4 5%	6 5%	18 12%	16 11%	11 9%	5 4%	14 8%	16 7%	22 13%	8 4%	13 7%	15 8%	13 7%	11 11%	7 10%	15 9%	21 11%	3 3%	24 8%
	(2)	28 4%	17 5%	11 3%	3 3%	4 3%	5 4%	4 3%	7 6%	5 4%	9 5%	5 2%	5 3%	9 5%	5 3%	8 4%	10 5%	2 2%	3 4%	3 2%	9 5%	2 1%	9 3%
Very bad indeed	(1)	66 9%	44 12%	22 6%	7 8%	10 8%	9 6%	16 12%	5 4%	19 14%	12 6%	19 8%	19 12%	16 9%	15 8%	17 8%	17 9%	9 9%	7 10%	13 8%	10 5%	1 1%	16 6%
Refused		6 1%	4 1%	2 1%	- -	- -	- -	1 1%	2 1%	3 2%	1 1%	3 1%	- -	2 1%	3 2%	2 1%	1 1%	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -
Don't know		158 21%	57 16%	101 26%	28 34%	38 29%	21 14%	23 16%	22 18%	27 20%	29 16%	49 21%	34 21%	45 24%	37 19%	44 22%	36 19%	27 25%	14 19%	25 15%	36 19%	15 14%	71 25%
Mean		4.70	4.46	4.95	4.74	4.79	4.62	4.57	4.71	4.85	4.76	4.68	4.34	5.00	4.91	4.51	4.75	4.55	4.74	4.71	4.67	6.21	4.85
Standard deviation		2.03	2.12	1.91	2.15	1.91	1.75	2.18	1.82	2.42	1.91	1.87	2.01	2.33	1.97	1.94	2.11	1.94	2.34	1.87	1.82	1.76	1.96
Standard error		0.08	0.12	0.11	0.32	0.21	0.15	0.19	0.18	0.23	0.14	0.17	0.21	0.17	0.16	0.16	0.17	0.22	0.31	0.16	0.14	0.18	0.13

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Absolutes/col percents

Table 8

Q.8 When do you think that Tony Blair should step down as Prime Minister?**Base: All "Sample B" respondents****Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights**

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	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 Democ-rat	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	759	358	401	71	121	159	121	121	166	244	137	108	270	203	199	185	106	66	187	167	78	288
Weighted base	756	362	394	83	129	154	117	107	167	198	211	155	193	212	197	181	105	61	190	164	70	287
Now	268	140	128	17	42	40	49	47	73	71	64	58	75	77	69	64	36	22	96	23	27	98
	35%	39%	32%	20%	32%	26%	42%	44%	44%	36%	30%	37%	39%	36%	35%	35%	34%	36%	50%	14%	39%	34%
By the end of this year	113	47	66	20	24	26	14	16	13	37	25	31	19	29	34	23	21	6	29	23	15	50
	15%	13%	17%	25%	19%	17%	12%	15%	8%	19%	12%	20%	10%	14%	17%	13%	20%	10%	15%	14%	22%	17%
Next year	48	18	30	6	10	12	8	5	7	18	12	4	13	10	12	10	8	8	3	19	4	18
	6%	5%	8%	7%	8%	8%	7%	4%	4%	9%	6%	3%	7%	5%	6%	5%	7%	13%	2%	11%	6%	6%
Just before the next election	186	97	89	23	29	51	28	22	32	45	59	40	42	54	49	52	20	10	43	67	19	76
	25%	27%	23%	28%	23%	33%	24%	21%	19%	23%	28%	26%	22%	26%	25%	29%	19%	17%	23%	41%	26%	26%
None of these	54	22	32	7	7	10	5	5	21	10	16	9	19	12	17	10	10	5	6	18	*	17
	7%	6%	8%	8%	6%	6%	4%	5%	12%	5%	7%	6%	10%	6%	9%	6%	9%	9%	3%	11%	1%	6%
Don't know	87	38	50	10	16	16	12	12	21	16	35	13	24	29	16	22	11	9	13	15	4	28
	12%	10%	13%	12%	13%	10%	11%	11%	13%	8%	16%	9%	12%	14%	8%	12%	10%	15%	7%	9%	6%	10%

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Absolutes/col percents

Table 9

Q.9 How important is the issue of the environment in your decision about...?**Which party you voted for - or would vote for - in local elections****Base: All "Sample A" respondents****Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights**

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	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 Democ-rat	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	757	354	403	67	116	155	149	127	143	225	149	119	264	201	198	186	104	68	158	193	104	278
Weighted base	760	366	394	84	129	149	141	121	135	182	229	163	186	192	199	191	106	72	162	191	103	279
NET: Important	665	307	358	64	113	129	129	113	116	162	199	145	159	166	175	171	93	60	140	168	99	252
	88%	84%	91%	77%	88%	87%	91%	94%	86%	89%	87%	89%	85%	87%	88%	89%	87%	84%	86%	88%	96%	90%
Very important	(4) 317	138	179	26	54	48	72	52	66	74	99	59	85	79	78	82	46	32	59	83	47	125
	42%	38%	45%	31%	42%	32%	51%	43%	49%	41%	43%	36%	46%	41%	39%	43%	43%	44%	36%	43%	45%	45%
Quite important	(3) 348	169	180	38	59	81	57	62	50	88	100	86	74	87	97	89	47	28	81	86	52	127
	46%	46%	46%	46%	46%	55%	40%	51%	37%	48%	44%	53%	40%	46%	49%	46%	44%	39%	50%	45%	50%	46%
Quite unimportant	(2) 58	40	18	19	9	10	8	5	7	13	21	8	16	19	12	13	10	4	16	20	4	19
	8%	11%	5%	22%	7%	7%	6%	4%	5%	7%	9%	5%	9%	10%	6%	7%	10%	6%	10%	10%	4%	7%
Very unimportant	(1) 28	17	11	1	7	9	2	1	8	6	7	9	6	5	10	4	3	6	5	3	-	7
	4%	5%	3%	1%	6%	6%	2%	1%	6%	3%	3%	6%	3%	3%	5%	2%	2%	9%	3%	2%	-	2%
NET: Unimportant	86	57	29	20	16	19	10	6	15	19	28	17	22	24	22	17	13	10	21	23	4	26
	11%	15%	7%	23%	12%	13%	7%	5%	11%	10%	12%	10%	12%	12%	11%	9%	12%	14%	13%	12%	4%	9%
Refused	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	*	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	1%	-	-	-	*	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Don't know	8	2	6	-	-	1	2	2	3	1	2	1	5	1	2	3	1	2	1	-	-	1
	1%	*	2%	-	-	1%	1%	1%	3%	*	1%	*	3%	*	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	-	-	*
Mean	3.27	3.18	3.36	3.06	3.23	3.13	3.43	3.38	3.32	3.27	3.28	3.20	3.32	3.26	3.23	3.33	3.29	3.22	3.20	3.29	3.41	3.33
Standard deviation	0.76	0.80	0.71	0.76	0.81	0.79	0.67	0.60	0.84	0.74	0.76	0.78	0.77	0.74	0.78	0.70	0.74	0.91	0.74	0.72	0.57	0.71
Standard error	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.09	0.08	0.06	0.06	0.05	0.07	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.07	0.11	0.06	0.05	0.06	0.04

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Table 10

Q.9 How important is the issue of the environment in your decision about...?**Which party you'd vote for if there was a general election****Base: All "Sample A" respondents****Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights**

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	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 Democ-rat	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	757	354	403	67	116	155	149	127	143	225	149	119	264	201	198	186	104	68	158	193	104	278
Weighted base	760	366	394	84	129	149	141	121	135	182	229	163	186	192	199	191	106	72	162	191	103	279
NET: Important	640	299	341	63	115	115	123	106	118	156	189	138	157	163	169	161	87	61	140	164	94	240
	84%	82%	87%	76%	89%	77%	87%	88%	87%	86%	83%	84%	84%	85%	85%	84%	81%	84%	86%	86%	91%	86%
Very important	(4) 278	119	159	26	47	42	52	42	68	63	84	53	79	69	71	73	40	26	50	76	42	99
	37%	33%	40%	31%	36%	28%	37%	35%	50%	35%	36%	32%	42%	36%	36%	38%	37%	36%	31%	40%	41%	36%
Quite important	(3) 362	179	182	37	68	73	70	64	50	93	106	85	78	94	97	88	47	35	90	87	52	141
	48%	49%	46%	44%	53%	49%	50%	53%	37%	51%	46%	52%	42%	49%	49%	46%	44%	48%	56%	46%	50%	50%
Quite unimportant	(2) 70	44	25	12	9	23	8	11	7	17	29	10	14	17	14	20	13	5	13	20	7	27
	9%	12%	6%	14%	7%	15%	6%	9%	5%	9%	12%	6%	8%	9%	7%	11%	12%	8%	8%	10%	7%	10%
Very unimportant	(1) 35	17	18	7	6	11	5	3	4	7	8	14	6	5	14	8	3	6	4	7	-	6
	5%	5%	4%	8%	5%	7%	4%	2%	3%	4%	4%	9%	3%	2%	7%	4%	3%	8%	2%	4%	-	2%
NET: Unimportant	105	61	43	19	15	34	13	14	11	23	37	25	20	21	28	28	16	11	17	27	7	32
	14%	17%	11%	22%	11%	23%	9%	11%	8%	13%	16%	15%	11%	11%	14%	15%	15%	16%	11%	14%	7%	12%
Refused	2	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
	*	*	*	-	-	-	1%	-	1%	-	*	-	*	*	-	-	1%	-	-	-	-	-
Don't know	13	4	9	2	-	*	4	1	6	2	2	1	8	7	2	2	2	-	5	*	2	6
	2%	1%	2%	2%	-	*	3%	1%	4%	1%	1%	1%	4%	4%	1%	1%	2%	-	3%	*	2%	2%
Mean	3.19	3.11	3.25	3.01	3.20	2.99	3.25	3.22	3.42	3.19	3.17	3.09	3.30	3.24	3.15	3.19	3.19	3.13	3.18	3.22	3.35	3.23
Standard deviation	0.79	0.80	0.78	0.89	0.76	0.86	0.74	0.70	0.73	0.75	0.79	0.86	0.76	0.71	0.83	0.79	0.78	0.87	0.69	0.78	0.61	0.70
Standard error	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.11	0.07	0.07	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.05	0.06	0.08	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.06	0.08	0.11	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.04

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Table 11

Q.10 This week marked the ninth anniversary of the 1997 general election, when John Major and the Conservative government were defeated and Labour came to power under Tony Blair. Thinking about everything that has happened since then, please say whether you think that, overall, Labour has done better than the Conservatives did, worse than the Conservative did, or about the same, when it comes to each of the following?

Improving the national health service

Base: All "Sample B" respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	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	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	759	358	401	71	121	159	121	121	166	244	137	108	270	203	199	185	106	66	187	167	78	288
Weighted base	756	362	394	83	129	154	117	107	167	198	211	155	193	212	197	181	105	61	190	164	70	287
Labour has done BETTER than the Conservatives	230 30%	132 36%	99 25%	24 29%	31 24%	59 38%	34 29%	23 22%	59 35%	59 30%	77 37%	37 24%	58 30%	57 27%	65 33%	51 28%	33 31%	25 40%	34 18%	90 55%	21 30%	93 33%
Labour has done THE SAME as the Conservatives	204 27%	93 26%	111 28%	23 28%	33 25%	45 29%	28 24%	39 36%	35 21%	55 28%	57 27%	46 29%	47 24%	60 28%	53 27%	54 30%	24 23%	12 19%	46 24%	42 25%	20 29%	85 30%
Labour has done WORSE than the Conservatives	294 39%	122 34%	172 44%	31 38%	59 46%	45 29%	51 43%	44 41%	65 39%	75 38%	68 32%	70 45%	80 41%	82 39%	70 36%	72 40%	46 44%	23 37%	108 57%	28 17%	27 38%	99 34%
Refused	4 1%	2 *	3 1%	* *	* *	2 1%	1 1%	- -	* *	2 1%	- -	- -	2 1%	2 1%	1 *	* *	- -	1 1%	- -	- -	- -	1 *
Don't know	24 3%	13 4%	11 3%	4 4%	6 5%	3 2%	3 2%	1 1%	8 5%	7 3%	8 4%	3 2%	6 3%	11 5%	7 4%	3 2%	1 1%	2 3%	1 1%	3 2%	2 2%	9 3%

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Absolutes/col percents

Table 12

Q.10 This week marked the ninth anniversary of the 1997 general election, when John Major and the Conservative government were defeated and Labour came to power under Tony Blair. Thinking about everything that has happened since then, please say whether you think that, overall, Labour has done better than the Conservatives did, worse than the Conservative did, or about the same, when it comes to each of the following?

Tackling poverty

Base: All "Sample B" respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	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	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	759	358	401	71	121	159	121	121	166	244	137	108	270	203	199	185	106	66	187	167	78	288
Weighted base	756	362	394	83	129	154	117	107	167	198	211	155	193	212	197	181	105	61	190	164	70	287
Labour has done BETTER than the Conservatives	263 35%	132 36%	131 33%	31 37%	45 35%	56 36%	41 35%	28 27%	61 37%	67 34%	85 40%	44 29%	66 34%	68 32%	74 38%	67 37%	28 26%	26 42%	38 20%	95 58%	25 35%	102 36%
Labour has done THE SAME as the Conservatives	265 35%	127 35%	138 35%	35 43%	40 31%	64 42%	40 35%	41 38%	45 27%	77 39%	64 30%	63 41%	61 32%	75 35%	66 34%	65 36%	41 39%	18 30%	79 41%	50 30%	31 44%	112 39%
Labour has done WORSE than the Conservatives	166 22%	78 21%	88 22%	14 16%	26 20%	24 15%	33 28%	30 28%	40 24%	39 20%	45 21%	37 24%	44 23%	44 21%	43 22%	39 21%	30 29%	11 17%	63 33%	10 6%	8 11%	52 18%
Refused	3 *	1 *	3 1%	* *	* *	2 1%	- -	- -	* *	1 *	- -	- -	2 1%	2 1%	1 *	* *	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	1 *
Don't know	59 8%	24 7%	35 9%	3 4%	17 13%	8 5%	2 2%	8 8%	21 13%	14 7%	16 8%	11 7%	19 10%	23 11%	12 6%	11 6%	7 6%	7 11%	11 6%	9 6%	7 10%	21 7%

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Table 13

Q.10 This week marked the ninth anniversary of the 1997 general election, when John Major and the Conservative government were defeated and Labour came to power under Tony Blair. Thinking about everything that has happened since then, please say whether you think that, overall, Labour has done better than the Conservatives did, worse than the Conservative did, or about the same, when it comes to each of the following?

Fighting crime

Base: All "Sample B" respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	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	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	759	358	401	71	121	159	121	121	166	244	137	108	270	203	199	185	106	66	187	167	78	288
Weighted base	756	362	394	83	129	154	117	107	167	198	211	155	193	212	197	181	105	61	190	164	70	287
Labour has done BETTER than the Conservatives	156 21%	79 22%	78 20%	23 28%	30 23%	34 22%	24 20%	19 18%	26 15%	44 22%	46 22%	30 19%	36 19%	39 18%	45 23%	39 22%	22 21%	11 19%	13 7%	74 45%	19 27%	53 19%
Labour has done THE SAME as the Conservatives	291 38%	121 33%	170 43%	29 34%	50 39%	65 42%	51 44%	38 36%	58 34%	80 41%	75 36%	62 40%	74 38%	67 31%	80 41%	75 41%	46 44%	24 39%	59 31%	60 37%	34 48%	131 46%
Labour has done WORSE than the Conservatives	271 36%	147 41%	124 31%	28 33%	38 30%	47 30%	39 34%	46 43%	74 44%	67 34%	75 36%	60 39%	69 36%	92 44%	67 34%	62 34%	30 28%	20 33%	114 60%	23 14%	17 25%	91 32%
Refused	3 *	1 *	3 1%	* *	* *	2 1%	- -	* *	- -	1 1%	- -	- -	2 1%	2 1%	1 *	* *	- -	- -	- -	* *	- -	1 *
Don't know	34 5%	14 4%	20 5%	3 3%	10 8%	6 4%	3 2%	3 3%	10 6%	5 3%	14 7%	4 2%	11 6%	12 6%	4 2%	6 3%	7 7%	5 9%	4 2%	6 4%	- -	11 4%

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Absolutes/col percents

Table 14

Q.10 This week marked the ninth anniversary of the 1997 general election, when John Major and the Conservative government were defeated and Labour came to power under Tony Blair. Thinking about everything that has happened since then, please say whether you think that, overall, Labour has done better than the Conservatives did, worse than the Conservative did, or about the same, when it comes to each of the following?

Raising school standards

Base: All "Sample B" respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	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	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	759	358	401	71	121	159	121	121	166	244	137	108	270	203	199	185	106	66	187	167	78	288
Weighted base	756	362	394	83	129	154	117	107	167	198	211	155	193	212	197	181	105	61	190	164	70	287
Labour has done BETTER than the Conservatives	249 33%	117 32%	132 33%	31 38%	52 40%	58 37%	30 26%	31 29%	47 28%	70 35%	72 34%	42 27%	65 34%	54 26%	70 36%	67 37%	33 32%	23 37%	28 15%	102 62%	25 35%	102 35%
Labour has done THE SAME as the Conservatives	247 33%	121 34%	126 32%	29 35%	38 30%	51 33%	40 35%	41 38%	47 28%	57 29%	73 35%	59 38%	58 30%	69 32%	58 30%	58 32%	39 37%	23 38%	67 35%	41 25%	25 35%	96 33%
Labour has done WORSE than the Conservatives	186 25%	92 25%	94 24%	17 21%	26 20%	35 22%	36 31%	26 24%	47 28%	57 29%	44 21%	42 27%	43 23%	62 29%	49 25%	41 23%	24 23%	10 16%	78 41%	12 8%	14 21%	64 22%
Refused	3 *	1 *	3 1%	* *	* *	2 1%	- -	- -	* *	1 *	- -	- -	2 1%	2 1%	1 *	* *	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	1 *
Don't know	71 9%	31 8%	40 10%	5 6%	12 10%	9 6%	10 9%	9 9%	25 15%	13 7%	22 10%	12 8%	24 12%	25 12%	18 9%	14 8%	8 8%	5 8%	16 9%	8 5%	6 9%	24 8%

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Table 15

Q.10 This week marked the ninth anniversary of the 1997 general election, when John Major and the Conservative government were defeated and Labour came to power under Tony Blair. Thinking about everything that has happened since then, please say whether you think that, overall, Labour has done better than the Conservatives did, worse than the Conservative did, or about the same, when it comes to each of the following?

Spending taxpayers' money efficiently

Base: All "Sample B" respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	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-o-crats	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	759	358	401	71	121	159	121	121	166	244	137	108	270	203	199	185	106	66	187	167	78	288
Weighted base	756	362	394	83	129	154	117	107	167	198	211	155	193	212	197	181	105	61	190	164	70	287
Labour has done BETTER than the Conservatives	103 14%	52 14%	51 13%	13 15%	22 17%	18 12%	10 9%	15 15%	25 15%	27 14%	35 17%	17 11%	25 13%	33 16%	25 13%	26 14%	13 12%	7 11%	1 1%	57 35%	5 8%	34 12%
Labour has done THE SAME as the Conservatives	242 32%	110 30%	132 33%	28 33%	35 27%	63 41%	43 37%	31 29%	42 25%	64 33%	59 28%	54 35%	64 33%	51 24%	74 38%	64 35%	34 32%	19 31%	39 21%	66 40%	37 53%	105 37%
Labour has done WORSE than the Conservatives	363 48%	181 50%	182 46%	40 48%	62 48%	59 38%	60 52%	55 52%	87 52%	100 51%	97 46%	78 50%	88 46%	112 53%	89 45%	83 46%	50 48%	29 47%	145 76%	28 17%	25 35%	130 45%
Refused	7 1%	2 1%	4 1%	* *	2 2%	4 2%	- -	- -	- -	1 *	4 2%	- -	2 1%	5 3%	1 *	* *	- -	- -	- -	2 1%	- -	1 *
Don't know	42 6%	16 4%	26 7%	2 3%	7 6%	10 7%	4 3%	5 4%	14 8%	6 3%	16 7%	7 4%	14 7%	11 5%	9 4%	8 4%	8 8%	6 10%	5 2%	11 7%	3 4%	17 6%

Times Poll

Fieldwork : May 5th-7th 2006

Absolutes/col percents

Table 16

Q.10 This week marked the ninth anniversary of the 1997 general election, when John Major and the Conservative government were defeated and Labour came to power under Tony Blair. Thinking about everything that has happened since then, please say whether you think that, overall, Labour has done better than the Conservatives did, worse than the Conservative did, or about the same, when it comes to each of the following?

Managing the economy well overall

Base: All "Sample B" respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	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	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	759	358	401	71	121	159	121	121	166	244	137	108	270	203	199	185	106	66	187	167	78	288
Weighted base	756	362	394	83	129	154	117	107	167	198	211	155	193	212	197	181	105	61	190	164	70	287
Labour has done BETTER than the Conservatives	280 37%	157 43%	123 31%	25 30%	47 37%	64 42%	39 34%	45 42%	59 35%	74 38%	81 38%	55 35%	70 36%	74 35%	78 40%	69 38%	35 33%	24 39%	39 20%	105 64%	24 35%	119 41%
Labour has done THE SAME as the Conservatives	268 35%	126 35%	142 36%	33 40%	51 40%	56 36%	43 37%	30 28%	55 33%	79 40%	70 33%	51 33%	68 35%	69 33%	66 34%	63 35%	47 45%	22 35%	63 33%	47 29%	31 44%	114 40%
Labour has done WORSE than the Conservatives	179 24%	70 19%	109 28%	20 24%	24 19%	25 17%	32 27%	31 29%	47 28%	36 18%	52 25%	47 30%	44 23%	60 28%	44 23%	44 24%	17 17%	13 21%	85 45%	7 4%	12 17%	48 17%
Refused	4 1%	* *	3 1%	1 2%	* *	2 1%	- -	- -	- -	1 *	- -	1 1%	2 1%	2 1%	2 1%	* *	- -	- -	1 *	- -	- -	1 *
Don't know	26 3%	9 3%	17 4%	4 5%	6 5%	7 4%	2 2%	1 1%	7 4%	8 4%	7 3%	2 1%	10 5%	7 3%	7 3%	4 2%	5 5%	3 5%	2 1%	4 3%	2 3%	6 2%

Times Poll

Fieldwork : May 5th-7th 2006

Absolutes/col percents

Table 17

Q.10 This week marked the ninth anniversary of the 1997 general election, when John Major and the Conservative government were defeated and Labour came to power under Tony Blair. Thinking about everything that has happened since then, please say whether you think that, overall, Labour has done better than the Conservatives did, worse than the Conservative did, or about the same, when it comes to each of the following?

Sleaze

Base: All "Sample B" respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	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	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	759	358	401	71	121	159	121	121	166	244	137	108	270	203	199	185	106	66	187	167	78	288
Weighted base	756	362	394	83	129	154	117	107	167	198	211	155	193	212	197	181	105	61	190	164	70	287
Labour has done BETTER than the Conservatives	79 10%	45 12%	34 9%	8 9%	15 12%	21 14%	10 9%	10 9%	14 9%	27 13%	19 9%	13 8%	20 11%	20 10%	27 14%	17 10%	10 10%	4 7%	5 3%	39 24%	5 8%	23 8%
Labour has done THE SAME as the Conservatives	362 48%	162 45%	199 51%	38 45%	69 54%	86 56%	50 43%	56 52%	63 38%	98 50%	104 50%	71 46%	87 45%	109 51%	87 44%	83 46%	55 52%	28 46%	82 43%	76 46%	37 53%	152 53%
Labour has done WORSE than the Conservatives	216 29%	115 32%	101 26%	22 27%	20 15%	27 18%	45 39%	36 34%	66 40%	48 24%	61 29%	52 33%	55 29%	54 26%	55 28%	64 35%	23 22%	20 33%	85 45%	27 17%	18 26%	76 26%
Refused	5 1%	3 1%	3 1%	* *	* *	3 2%	- -	- -	1 1%	2 1%	- -	- -	3 2%	3 2%	1 *	1 1%	- -	- -	- -	1 1%	- -	3 1%
Don't know	94 12%	37 10%	57 14%	15 18%	24 18%	16 11%	11 10%	5 5%	22 13%	23 12%	26 12%	19 12%	26 14%	25 12%	28 14%	16 9%	17 16%	9 14%	17 9%	21 13%	9 14%	33 12%

Times Poll

Fieldwork : May 5th-7th 2006

Absolutes/col percents

Table 18

Q.10 This week marked the ninth anniversary of the 1997 general election, when John Major and the Conservative government were defeated and Labour came to power under Tony Blair. Thinking about everything that has happened since then, please say whether you think that, overall, Labour has done better than the Conservatives did, worse than the Conservative did, or about the same, when it comes to each of the following?

Defence and security of Britain

Base: All "Sample B" respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	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	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	759	358	401	71	121	159	121	121	166	244	137	108	270	203	199	185	106	66	187	167	78	288
Weighted base	756	362	394	83	129	154	117	107	167	198	211	155	193	212	197	181	105	61	190	164	70	287
Labour has done BETTER than the Conservatives	144 19%	74 20%	70 18%	25 30%	34 26%	27 18%	13 11%	16 15%	28 17%	32 16%	39 19%	31 20%	41 21%	45 21%	31 16%	36 20%	21 20%	10 16%	23 12%	69 42%	9 13%	58 20%
Labour has done THE SAME as the Conservatives	265 35%	131 36%	135 34%	24 29%	44 34%	62 40%	52 45%	33 31%	50 30%	81 41%	67 32%	54 35%	63 33%	71 34%	71 36%	68 37%	33 31%	22 35%	49 26%	64 39%	27 39%	109 38%
Labour has done WORSE than the Conservatives	301 40%	144 40%	157 40%	25 30%	42 33%	57 37%	44 38%	55 51%	79 47%	75 38%	89 42%	61 39%	76 40%	83 39%	78 39%	72 39%	41 39%	28 46%	114 60%	23 14%	27 39%	106 37%
Refused	4 1%	1 *	3 1%	- -	* *	2 1%	1 1%	* *	* *	2 1%	- -	- -	2 1%	2 1%	2 1%	- -	* *	- -	- -	* *	1 1%	1 *
Don't know	42 6%	12 3%	30 8%	9 11%	8 6%	5 3%	7 6%	3 3%	10 6%	7 3%	15 7%	10 6%	10 5%	10 5%	15 7%	5 3%	10 9%	2 3%	3 2%	7 4%	6 8%	13 4%

Times Poll

Fieldwork : May 5th-7th 2006

Absolutes/col percents

Table 19

Q.10 This week marked the ninth anniversary of the 1997 general election, when John Major and the Conservative government were defeated and Labour came to power under Tony Blair. Thinking about everything that has happened since then, please say whether you think that, overall, Labour has done better than the Conservatives did, worse than the Conservative did, or about the same, when it comes to each of the following?

Representing Britain's interests in Europe

Base: All "Sample B" respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	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	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	759	358	401	71	121	159	121	121	166	244	137	108	270	203	199	185	106	66	187	167	78	288
Weighted base	756	362	394	83	129	154	117	107	167	198	211	155	193	212	197	181	105	61	190	164	70	287
Labour has done BETTER than the Conservatives	228 30%	112 31%	116 29%	33 40%	47 37%	58 37%	24 21%	21 19%	46 27%	67 34%	76 36%	35 22%	50 26%	55 26%	65 33%	55 30%	34 33%	20 32%	31 16%	94 57%	20 28%	87 30%
Labour has done THE SAME as the Conservatives	239 32%	111 31%	129 33%	31 38%	36 28%	44 29%	49 42%	42 39%	36 22%	63 32%	53 25%	52 34%	71 37%	62 29%	63 32%	61 34%	32 31%	21 34%	55 29%	50 30%	24 34%	103 36%
Labour has done WORSE than the Conservatives	233 31%	119 33%	114 29%	15 19%	30 23%	41 27%	33 28%	42 40%	71 43%	55 28%	64 30%	57 37%	56 29%	73 34%	62 31%	52 29%	33 31%	14 23%	91 48%	16 10%	21 29%	76 26%
Refused	3 *	1 *	3 1%	* *	* *	2 1%	- -	- -	* *	1 *	- -	- -	2 1%	2 1%	1 *	* *	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	1 *
Don't know	52 7%	19 5%	33 8%	3 4%	15 11%	9 6%	11 9%	2 1%	13 8%	11 5%	18 9%	11 7%	12 6%	20 9%	7 3%	13 7%	6 6%	7 11%	13 7%	4 3%	6 8%	20 7%

Times Poll

Fieldwork : May 5th-7th 2006

Absolutes/col percents

Table 20

Q.10 This week marked the ninth anniversary of the 1997 general election, when John Major and the Conservative government were defeated and Labour came to power under Tony Blair. Thinking about everything that has happened since then, please say whether you think that, overall, Labour has done better than the Conservatives did, worse than the Conservative did, or about the same, when it comes to each of the following?

Protecting people's personal security

Base: All "Sample B" respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	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	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	759	358	401	71	121	159	121	121	166	244	137	108	270	203	199	185	106	66	187	167	78	288
Weighted base	756	362	394	83	129	154	117	107	167	198	211	155	193	212	197	181	105	61	190	164	70	287
Labour has done BETTER than the Conservatives	160 21%	77 21%	82 21%	33 40%	24 19%	28 18%	15 13%	21 19%	38 23%	39 20%	44 21%	31 20%	46 24%	37 18%	42 22%	35 19%	27 26%	18 29%	13 7%	74 45%	13 19%	63 22%
Labour has done THE SAME as the Conservatives	305 40%	147 40%	158 40%	27 32%	66 51%	75 49%	49 42%	42 39%	46 28%	90 46%	86 41%	59 38%	70 36%	90 43%	85 43%	73 40%	37 36%	19 31%	71 38%	63 38%	40 57%	123 43%
Labour has done WORSE than the Conservatives	239 32%	120 33%	119 30%	19 23%	28 22%	41 27%	44 38%	38 35%	69 41%	60 30%	67 32%	52 33%	61 32%	65 31%	62 31%	64 35%	28 27%	21 33%	96 51%	15 9%	16 23%	80 28%
Refused	6 1%	3 1%	3 1%	* *	* *	4 2%	- -	* *	1 *	3 2%	- -	- -	3 1%	3 2%	2 1%	* *	- -	- -	- -	2 1%	- -	2 1%
Don't know	47 6%	16 4%	31 8%	3 4%	10 8%	6 4%	8 7%	6 5%	13 8%	6 3%	14 7%	13 9%	13 7%	16 7%	5 2%	10 5%	13 12%	4 6%	9 5%	9 6%	1 1%	18 6%

Times Poll

Fieldwork : May 5th-7th 2006

Absolutes/col percents

Table 21

Q.11 Immediately after the local election results were known the prime minister began a big Cabinet reshuffle, making widespread changes to his ministerial team, including sacking the Home Secretary Charles Clarke and moving the Foreign Secretary Jack Straw. Please can you say whether you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

Base: All "Sample A" respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	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-o-crats	Swing Voters
Unweighted base	757	354	403	67	116	155	149	127	143	225	149	119	264	201	198	186	104	68	158	193	104	278
Weighted base	760	366	394	84	129	149	141	121	135	182	229	163	186	192	199	191	106	72	162	191	103	279
Changing the ministerial team will help Labour to get back on track after a difficult few weeks and bad local election results																						
Agree	318 42%	145 40%	173 44%	41 50%	57 44%	62 41%	56 40%	38 32%	64 47%	76 42%	88 38%	67 41%	88 47%	73 38%	75 38%	87 45%	48 45%	35 49%	42 26%	118 62%	51 49%	126 45%
Disagree	398 52%	203 56%	195 49%	34 41%	63 48%	83 56%	80 56%	75 62%	63 47%	96 53%	126 55%	89 55%	87 47%	113 59%	112 56%	93 49%	48 45%	32 45%	117 72%	60 31%	51 49%	138 50%
Refused	3 *	2 *	1 *	- -	- -	- -	- -	2 1%	1 1%	- -	2 1%	- -	1 1%	1 *	2 1%	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -
Don't know	41 5%	16 4%	25 6%	8 10%	10 8%	5 3%	5 4%	6 5%	7 5%	10 5%	14 6%	7 4%	9 5%	5 2%	10 5%	11 6%	10 10%	4 6%	3 2%	14 7%	2 2%	14 5%
Moving top ministers to different jobs is just an attempt to distract people's attention from the government's problems such as failing to deport foreign criminals and financial problems in the health service																						
Agree	548 72%	271 74%	278 70%	57 69%	95 74%	101 68%	111 78%	90 74%	94 69%	124 68%	161 70%	135 83%	128 69%	144 75%	149 75%	134 70%	72 67%	50 69%	133 82%	108 56%	82 79%	214 77%
Disagree	187 25%	88 24%	99 25%	24 28%	30 23%	45 30%	27 19%	29 24%	33 24%	52 29%	64 28%	25 15%	46 25%	42 22%	46 23%	50 26%	30 28%	19 27%	26 16%	80 42%	21 21%	57 20%
Refused	3 *	2 *	1 *	- -	- -	- -	- -	2 1%	1 1%	- -	2 1%	- -	1 1%	1 *	2 1%	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -
Don't know	22 3%	5 1%	17 4%	3 3%	4 3%	3 2%	3 2%	- -	8 6%	6 3%	3 1%	3 2%	10 6%	5 3%	2 1%	7 4%	4 4%	3 4%	3 2%	4 2%	* *	8 3%

Times Poll

Fieldwork : May 5th-7th 2006

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Table 21

Q.11 Immediately after the local election results were known the prime minister began a big Cabinet reshuffle, making widespread changes to his ministerial team, including sacking the Home Secretary Charles Clarke and moving the Foreign Secretary Jack Straw. Please can you say whether you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

Base: All "Sample A" respondents

Weighting: Standard Demographic Weights

	Sex			Age						Social Class				Region					Voting Intention			
	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	Swing Voters
Weighted base	760	366	394	84	129	149	141	121	135	182	229	163	186	192	199	191	106	72	162	191	103	279
<u>Getting rid of ministers who are not doing a good job is all very well, but the government's biggest problem now is Tony Blair himself</u>																						
Agree	411	204	207	36	61	80	78	74	83	89	122	84	115	102	110	96	60	42	100	60	64	152
	54%	56%	52%	43%	47%	53%	55%	61%	61%	49%	53%	52%	62%	53%	55%	50%	56%	59%	62%	31%	62%	55%
Disagree	323	151	172	44	64	65	59	44	47	82	103	76	62	83	77	91	44	27	59	130	39	120
	42%	41%	44%	52%	49%	43%	42%	37%	35%	45%	45%	47%	33%	43%	39%	48%	41%	38%	36%	68%	38%	43%
Refused	5	3	2	-	-	-	1	2	3	2	2	-	2	3	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
	1%	1%	1%	-	-	-	*	1%	2%	1%	1%	-	1%	2%	1%	-	-	1%	-	-	-	-
Don't know	21	8	14	4	5	5	4	1	3	9	3	3	7	3	10	4	3	2	4	2	*	7
	3%	2%	3%	5%	4%	3%	3%	1%	2%	5%	1%	2%	4%	2%	5%	2%	3%	2%	2%	1%	*	3%
<u>The way things are going, I think Labour will lose the next general election</u>																						
Agree	492	235	257	50	83	103	98	78	81	108	157	111	116	128	141	112	63	49	144	69	74	192
	65%	64%	65%	59%	64%	69%	69%	65%	60%	59%	69%	68%	62%	66%	71%	59%	59%	68%	89%	36%	71%	69%
Disagree	198	100	98	28	33	38	33	29	37	55	40	48	47	40	63	28	19	9	110	24	62	
	26%	27%	25%	33%	26%	26%	23%	24%	27%	30%	24%	25%	26%	25%	20%	33%	26%	27%	6%	58%	24%	22%
Refused	2	2	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	1	2	-	-	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
	*	1%	-	-	-	-	*	1%	-	*	1%	-	-	-	1%	-	-	1%	-	-	-	*
Don't know	67	28	40	6	13	8	11	11	18	18	16	11	22	17	16	16	16	3	10	12	5	24
	9%	8%	10%	7%	10%	6%	7%	9%	13%	10%	7%	7%	12%	9%	8%	8%	15%	5%	6%	6%	5%	9%

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Absolutes/col percents

Table 22
Classification
Base: All respondents

		Unweighted Total	Weighted Total
Unweighted base		1516	1516
Weighted base		1516	1516
Sex			
Male		712 47%	728 48%
Female		804 53%	788 52%
Age			
18-24	(21)	138 9%	167 11%
25-34	(29.5)	237 16%	258 17%
35-44	(39.5)	314 21%	304 20%
45-54	(49.5)	270 18%	258 17%
55-64	(59.5)	248 16%	227 15%
65+	(70)	309 20%	303 20%
Average age		47.52	46.55

Times Poll
Fieldwork : May 5th-7th 2006

Absolutes/col percents

Table 22
Classification
Base: All respondents

	Unweighted Total	Weighted Total
Weighted base	1516	1516
<u>Social Class</u>		
AB	469 31%	379 25%
C1	286 19%	440 29%
C2	227 15%	318 21%
DE	534 35%	378 25%
<u>Region</u>		
North	505 33%	506 33%
Midlands	473 31%	472 31%
South	538 35%	538 35%

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Fieldwork : May 5th-7th 2006

Absolutes/col percents

Table 22
Classification
Base: All respondents

	<u>Unweighted Total</u>	<u>Weighted Total</u>
Weighted base	1516	1516
<u>Working status</u>		
Full-time	658 43%	673 44%
Part-time	181 12%	170 11%
Not working but seeking work or temporarily unemployed/sick	92 6%	95 6%
Not working/not seeking work	144 9%	139 9%
Retired	379 25%	363 24%
Student	57 4%	69 5%
Refused	5 *	6 *

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Fieldwork : May 5th-7th 2006

Absolutes/col percents

Table 22
Classification
Base: All respondents

	<u>Unweighted Total</u>	<u>Weighted Total</u>
Weighted base	1516	1516
<u>Tenure</u>		
Own outright	423 28%	485 32%
Own with a mortgage	542 36%	622 41%
Council	189 12%	197 13%
Housing Assoc.	101 7%	54 4%
Rented from someone else	165 11%	103 7%
Rent free	17 1%	9 1%
Refused	79 5%	46 3%

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Absolutes/col percents

Table 22
Classification
Base: All respondents

	<u>Unweighted Total</u>	<u>Weighted Total</u>
Weighted base	1516	1516
<u>Foreign Holiday in last 3 years</u>		
Yes	901 59%	940 62%
No	615 41%	576 38%
<u>Number of cars</u>		
None	369 24%	306 20%
1	668 44%	659 44%
2	345 23%	427 28%
3+	134 9%	123 8%

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Absolutes/col percents

Table 22
Classification
Base: All respondents

	<u>Unweighted Total</u>	<u>Weighted Total</u>
Weighted base	1516	1516
<u>Internet Access</u>		
At all	959 63%	997 66%
At home (net)	824 54%	853 56%
At work (net)	472 31%	486 32%
At home	442 29%	460 30%
At work	90 6%	93 6%
Both at home and at work	382 25%	393 26%
Somewhere else	45 3%	51 3%
Not at all	550 36%	512 34%
Refused	7 *	7 *

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Absolutes/col percents

Table 22
Classification
Base: All respondents

	Unweighted Total	Weighted Total
Weighted base	1516	1516
<u>Age Finished Full Time Education</u>		
Up to 15	345 23%	334 22%
16	393 26%	408 27%
17	98 6%	98 6%
18	162 11%	175 12%
19 or over	399 26%	388 26%
Still in full time education	44 3%	55 4%
Had no full time education	3 *	5 *
Refused	72 5%	53 4%

Times Poll
Fieldwork : May 5th-7th 2006

Absolutes/col percents

Table 22
Classification
Base: All respondents

	Unweighted Total	Weighted Total
Weighted base	1516	1516
<u>Marital Status</u>		
Single	347 23%	348 23%
Married/ co-habiting	788 52%	845 56%
Widowed/ separated/ divorced	326 22%	290 19%
Refused	55 4%	33 2%
<u>Children</u>		
None aged 18 or under	1026 68%	1016 67%
NET: Yes	440 29%	454 30%
NET: Yes any aged 15 or under	312 21%	330 22%
- Aged under 5	188 12%	202 13%
- Aged 5-10	171 11%	179 12%
- Aged 11-15	41 3%	47 3%
- Aged 16-18	216 14%	212 14%
Refused	50 3%	46 3%

Times Poll
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Absolutes/col percents

Table 22
Classification
Base: All respondents

	<u>Unweighted Total</u>	<u>Weighted Total</u>
Weighted base	1516	1516
<u>Grocery shopping status</u>		
I am the main grocery shopper in the household	1016 67%	1002 66%
I regularly do the main grocery shop	1003 66%	1006 66%
I regularly do top up grocery shopping (buy items or a basket of items as they are needed)	1089 72%	1099 72%
I do not do grocery shopping	170 11%	182 12%
Refused	51 3%	32 2%

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Table 23

Q.3 At the general election last year, many people didn't vote. If you did vote in the general election could you tell me which party you voted for?

	Unweighted Total	Weighted Total
Unweighted base	1516	1516
Weighted base	1516	1516
Conservative	271 18%	307 20%
Labour	471 31%	399 26%
Liberal Democrat	179 12%	209 14%
Other	66 4%	72 5%
Did not vote	404 27%	401 26%
Refused	91 6%	95 6%
Don't know	34 2%	32 2%