

ICM Poll for The Sunday Telegraph

Fieldwork dates: 14th-15th April 2010

Interview Method: Telephone.

Population effectively sampled: All adults aged 18+

Sampling Method: Within each government office region, a random sample of telephone numbers was drawn from the entire BT database of domestic telephone numbers. Each number so selected had its last digit randomised so as to provide a sample including both listed and unlisted numbers.

Sample size: 1,033

Data weighting: Data were weighted to the profile of all adults aged 18+ (including non telephone owning households). Data were weighted by sex, age, social class, household tenure, work status, number of cars in the household and whether or not the respondent has taken a foreign holiday in the last 3 years. Targets for the weighted data were derived from the National Readership survey, a random probability survey comprising 36,000 random face-to-face interviews conducted annually.

The data were further weighted by declared votes in the 2005 general election. The weighting scheme is designed as follows:

Weighting by past votes

- 1. Respondents are asked whether they voted in the last general election and if they did, which party they voted for.
- 2. The sample is weighted by demographics (age, sex, tenure etc). However, after such weighting the declared past votes may not match, exactly, the results of the last election. Partly this is because demographics (by which ICM control the sample) are relatively poorly correlated with vote behaviour. Nevertheless past vote

weighting has to be used with caution as some people genuinely forget how they voted. We cannot simply weight the data to the actual results last time.

- 3. ICM takes the declared past votes on any new poll and adds it to the 25 or so most recent ICM polls containing the same question. The average of these polls is used in the past vote weighting scheme.
- 4. ICM compares the declared past votes derived in 3) above to the actual result of the last general election and gives a weight of 80% to the results of the last election and 20% to the average of the most recent polls, thereby assuming that most of the difference can be attributed to political imbalance in the sample and to faulty recall.

Weighting for turnout

- 1. ICM ask respondents to say how likely it is that they will go and vote in a new general election using a ten points scale where 10 means they would be absolutely certain to vote and 1 means they would be certain not to vote.
- 2. We then weight people by their anticipated turnout. If someone is 10/10 certain to vote, they are given a weight of 1.0. If someone is 9/10 certain to vote they are given a weight of 0.9 etc. People who tell us they are likely to vote in the next General Election but did not vote in the last, are further down-weighted. If someone says they are 10/10 certain to vote but did not vote in 2005, they are given a weight of 0.5. If they say 9/10 certainty, the weight becomes 0.45 etc.

Voting intentions: ICM derives vote intentions from 2 questions.

First of all respondents are asked how likely it is that they would be to go and vote in a new election.

Those who say they will vote are asked to say which party they would support in a new election. Respondents are then asked whether they voted in 2005 and which party they voted for in that election. The vote figures shown in the table are calculated after ICM has excluded those who say they will not vote, refuse to answer the question or don't know who they would vote for. The figures are adjusted for turnout calculated accordingly to their stated intentions to vote.

In a further step, ICM add 50% of those who refuse to answer the vote intention question or say they don't know to the party they voted for in 2005.

The analysis by vote intention shown on each table is taken from table 1, ie before adjusting for refusers and don't knows.

Questions: The computer tables attached in PDF format show each question, in full, in the order they were put to respondents, all response codes and the weighted and un-weighted bases for all demographics and other data including but not limited that published .

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Absolutes/col percents

Table 1

Q.A Some people have said they would not vote in a new General Election, while others have said they would vote. I would like to know how certain it is that you would actually vote in a general election?

Base: All respondents

			Ger			Ą	ge			Social	Class			Voting I				n 2005 G Election			Region	
		Total	_Male_	Fe- male	18-24	25-34	35-64	_65+_	_AB	C1	C2	DE	Con	_Lab_	Lib Dem_	Other	Con	_Lab	Lib Dem	<u>North</u>	Mid- lands	South
Unweighted base		1033	449	584	76	129	598	230	368	243	157	265	215	195	158	71	201	276	117	350	341	342
Weighted base		1033	509	524	122	163	527	220	283	299	214	237	214	180	164	78	196	227	129	343	338	351
Certain to vote	(10)	630 61%	310 61%	320 61%	53 43%	81 50%	338 64%	159 72%	191 68%	197 66%	113 53%	129 54%	162 76%	126 70%	117 72%	53 67%	169 86%	161 71%	102 79%	207 60%	210 62%	213 61%
	(9)	52 5%	26 5%	26 5%	6 5%	8 5%	27 5%	11 5%	16 6%	16 5%	6 3%	15 6%	7 3%	9 5%	14 9%	1 1%	7 3%	14 6%	8 6%	14 4%	17 5%	21 6%
	(8)	64 6%	35 7%	28 5%	9 7%	17 11%	29 6%	9 4%	21 7%	16 5%	17 8%	10 4%	17 8%	16 9%	9 5%	4 5%	9 5%	14 6%	6 4%	15 4%	26 8%	23 7%
	(7)	43 4%	24 5%	20 4%	19 16%	5 3%	15 3%	5 2%	8 3%	11 4%	17 8%	7 3%	12 6%	4 2%	7 4%	3 4%	1 1%	7 3%	7 5%	16 5%	14 4%	13 4%
	(6)	24 2%	6 1%	18 3%	6 5%	6 3%	11 2%	1 1%	6 2%	6 2%	3 1%	9 4%	1 1%	7 4%	4 2%	2 3%	1 1%	7 3%	-	5 1%	11 3%	8 2%
	(5)	58 6%	28 5%	30 6%	13 11%	10 6%	25 5%	9 4%	12 4%	14 5%	10 5%	21 9%	8 4%	10 6%	9 5%	8 11%	3 1%	11 5%	6 4%	22 6%	18 5%	18 5%
	(4)	17 2%	8 1%	10 2%	5 4%	4 3%	8 2%	-	3 1%	6 2%	4 2%	5 2%	5 2%	5 3%	1 1%	1 2%	1	2 1%	-	7 2%	7 2%	3 1%
	(3)	16 2%	11 2%	5 1%	-	4 3%	8 1%	4 2%	4 1%	4 1%	4 2%	4 2%	-	2 1%	1	2 2%	-	1	-	7 2%	3 1%	6 2%
	(2)	16 2%	9 2%	6 1%	3 2%	5 3%	3 1%	5 2%	2 1%	2 1%	6 3%	5 2%	1 1%	1 1%	2 1%	5 6%	-	3 1%	1 1%	6 2%	1	9 2%
Certain not to vote	(1)	106 10%	49 10%	57 11%	9 7%	21 13%	60 11%	17 8%	19 7%	25 9%	32 15%	30 13%	-	-	-	-	5 2%	8 3%	-	40 12%	30 9%	36 10%
Refused		4	3 1%	1	-	2 1%	1	1	-	1	2 1%	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4 1%	-	-
Don't know		3	-	3 1%	-	-	2	1	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2 1%	1
Mean		8.06	8.09	8.03	7.53	7.45	8.15	8.59	8.59	8.37	7.46	7.58	9.24	8.99	9.15	8.39	9.51	8.88	9.40	7.86	8.27	8.05
Standard deviation		3.07	3.05	3.10	2.82	3.32	3.10	2.84	2.65	2.88	3.40	3.32	1.60	1.87	1.72	2.61	1.62	2.25	1.43	3.24	2.86	3.10
Standard error		0.10	0.14	0.13	0.32	0.29	0.13	0.19	0.14	0.19	0.27	0.20	0.11	0.13	0.14	0.31	0.11	0.14	0.13	0.17	0.16	0.17



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Table 2

Q.B The Conservatives, Labour, the Liberal Democrats and other parties would fight a new election in your area. If there were a general election tomorrow which party do you think you would vote for?

Base: All respondents

	Gender		nder		Ag	ge			Social	Class			Voting I	ntention			2005 Ge Election	eneral		Region	
	Total	Male	Fe- male	18-24	25-34	35-64	65+	AB	<u>C1</u>	C2	DE	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Other	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	North	Mid- lands	South
Unweighted base	1033	449	584	76	129	598	230	368	243	157	265	215	195	158	71	201	276	117	350	341	342
Weighted base	1033	509	524	122	163	527	220	283	299	214	237	214	180	164	78	196	227	129	343	338	351
Conservative	214 21%	116 23%	99 19%	31 25%	31 19%	92 17%	61 28%	75 26%	58 20%	43 20%	38 16%	214 100%	-	-	-	128 65%	16 7%	9 7%	57 16%	69 20%	88 25%
Labour	180 17%	86 17%	94 18%	14 12%	44 27%	90 17%	32 14%	43 15%	49 16%	38 18%	50 21%	-	180 100%	-	-	6 3%	113 50%	2 2%	75 22%	65 19%	40 11%
Liberal Democrat/ Liberal	164 16%	83 16%	81 15%	21 17%	20 12%	87 16%	36 16%	53 19%	42 14%	33 15%	36 15%	-	-	164 100%	-	12 6%	27 12%	81 63%	50 15%	52 15%	62 18%
Scottish National Party/ SNP	16 2%	10 2%	6 1%	6 5%	-	5 1%	5 2%	3 1%	4 1%	4 2%	5 2%	-	-	-	16 20%	-	1 1%	1 1%	16 5%	-	-
Plaid Cymru	8 1%	5 1%	3 1%	3 3%	-	3 1%	2 1%	1	2 1%	4 2%	1	-	-	-	8 11%	1	2 1%	-	-	8 2%	1
Green Party	13 1%	5 1%	8 1%	-	5 3%	8 2%	-	6 2%	5 2%	-	2 1%	-	-	-	13 17%	2 1%	1	2 2%	2 1%	4 1%	7 2%
UK Independence Party (UKIP)	23 2%	15 3%	8 1%	2 2%	-	14 3%	6 3%	7 2%	9 3%	3 2%	4 2%	-	-	-	23 29%	7 4%	2 1%	-	6 2%	9 3%	8 2%
British National Party (BNP)	10 1%	7 1%	2	2 1%	1 1%	6 1%	-	3 1%	1	3 2%	2 1%	-	-	-	10 12%	1 1%	2 1%	-	4 1%	1	4 1%
Other	8 1%	3 1%	5 1%	3 2%	-	3 1%	2 1%	2 1%	1	3 1%	2 1%	-	-	-	8 10%	1	1 1%	-	6 2%	1	1
Would not vote	106 10%	49 10%	57 11%	9 7%	21 13%	60 11%	17 8%	19 7%	25 9%	32 15%	30 13%	-	-	-	-	5 2%	8 3%	-	40 12%	30 9%	36 10%
Don't know	194 19%	75 15%	119 23%	24 20%	31 19%	108 20%	31 14%	44 16%	68 23%	39 18%	43 18%	-	-	-	-	21 11%	46 20%	26 20%	52 15%	69 20%	73 21%
Refused	97 9%	54 11%	43 8%	8 6%	10 6%	51 10%	29 13%	27 10%	33 11%	13 6%	24 10%	-	-	-	-	12 6%	9 4%	8 6%	35 10%	31 9%	32 9%



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Table 3

Data dervived from:-

Q.A Some people have said they would not vote in a new General Election, while others would go and vote at their polling station.

I would like to know how certain it is that you would actually go and vote in a general election?

Q.B The Conservatives, Labour, the Liberal Democrats and other parties would fight a new election in your area.

If there were a general election tomorrow which party do you think you would vote for?

Data excludes those who definitely will not vote (10%), don't know who they would vote for (19%) or refuse to answer (9%)

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

		Cor	nder		Λ.	~~			Social	Class			\/atina li	otontion			2005 Ge Election	eneral		Region	
		Ger	Fe-		Ą	ge			Social	Class			Voting In	Lib			Election	Lib		Mid-	
	Total	_Male_	male_	18-24	25-34	35-64	65+	AB	<u>C1</u>	C2	DE	Con	_Lab_	Dem_	Other	Con	_Lab_	Dem	North	lands	South
Unweighted base	519	240	279	24	57	302	136	207	114	73	125	179	158	130	53	156	182	82	182	168	169
Weighted base	501	263	238	38	71	261	130	156	139	98	108	173	139	133	55	151	150	90	170	162	169
Conservative	173 35%	92 35%	81 34%	16 43%	22 31%	78 30%	57 44%	61 39%	45 33%	36 36%	31 29%	173 100%	-	-	-	123 81%	13 8%	8 9%	43 26%	56 35%	74 44%
Labour	139 28%	72 27%	67 28%	5 12%	29 41%	75 29%	30 23%	34 22%	39 28%	29 30%	37 34%	-	139 100%	-	-	6 4%	107 71%	2 2%	63 37%	48 29%	29 17%
Liberal Democrat/ Liberal	133 27%	67 25%	67 28%	12 31%	16 23%	74 28%	31 24%	45 29%	35 25%	24 25%	28 26%	-	-	133 100%	-	11 7%	24 16%	77 86%	41 24%	42 26%	51 30%
Scottish National Party/ SNP	11 2%	6 2%	4 2%	2 5%	-	5 2%	4 3%	2 1%	3 2%	2 2%	4 4%	-	-	-	11 19%	-	*	1 1%	11 6%	-	-
Plaid Cymru	6 1%	3 1%	3 1%	2 4%	-	2 1%	2 1%	1 1%	2 1%	3 3%	1 1%	-	-	-	6 11%	1	1 1%	-	-	5 3%	1
Green Party	11 2%	5 2%	6 2%	-	3 4%	8 3%	-	5 3%	4 3%	-	1 1%	-	-	-	11 20%	2 1%	1 1%	2 2%	2 1%	3 2%	6 3%
UK Independence Party (UKIP)	16 3%	10 4%	6 3%	1 3%	-	10 4%	5 4%	4 3%	8 6%	1 1%	3 3%	-	-	-	16 29%	6 4%	2 2%	-	5 3%	6 4%	6 3%
British National Party (BNP)	6 1%	4 2%	2 1%	* 1%	* 1%	6 2%	-	2 1%	1 1%	3 3%	1 1%	-	-	-	6 12%	1 1%	1 1%	-	2 1%	1 1%	4 2%
Other	5 1%	3 1%	2 1%	* 1%	-	3 1%	2 1%	1 1%	1 1%	1 1%	2 2%	-	-	-	5 9%	1 1%	1 1%	-	4 2%	1 1%	*



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Table 4

Published Vote Intention Figures
Percentages derived from the responses of 736 respondents

	<u>Total</u>
Conservative	34%
Labour	29%
Liberal Democrat	27%
Other	10%



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Table 5

Q.1 Putting aside your own party preference, which of the leaders' wives has impressed you most on the campaign trail so far? Base: All respondents

		Ger	nder Age					Social	Class			Voting Ir				2005 Ge Election			Region		
	Total	_Male_	Fe- male	18-24	25-34	35-64	65+	_AB_	C1	C2	DE	Con	_Lab_	Lib Dem	Other	Con	_Lab_	Lib Dem	North	Mid- lands	South
Unweighted base	1033	449	584	76	129	598	230	368	243	157	265	215	195	158	71	201	276	117	350	341	342
Weighted base	1033	509	524	122	163	527	220	283	299	214	237	214	180	164	78	196	227	129	343	338	351
Samantha Cameron	204	99	104	24	41	93	45	56	50	49	49	100	10	39	10	84	25	24	63	68	73
	20%	20%	20%	20%	25%	18%	21%	20%	17%	23%	21%	47%	6%	24%	12%	43%	11%	19%	18%	20%	21%
Sarah Brown	158	59	99	13	27	76	42	35	43	30	51	12	76	18	7	17	60	18	72	47	39
	15%	12%	19%	11%	17%	14%	19%	12%	14%	14%	22%	6%	42%	11%	9%	8%	27%	14%	21%	14%	11%
Miriam Clegg	87	56	31	16	13	43	15	31	24	16	15	16	8	34	5	12	20	23	25	34	28
	8%	11%	6%	13%	8%	8%	7%	11%	8%	8%	7%	8%	4%	21%	7%	6%	9%	18%	7%	10%	8%
None of them	352	178	174	28	47	202	74	100	109	69	73	43	50	42	35	48	77	38	117	119	115
	34%	35%	33%	23%	29%	38%	34%	35%	36%	32%	31%	20%	28%	26%	45%	24%	34%	30%	34%	35%	33%
Don't know	233	116	116	41	34	113	44	62	74	49	48	42	35	30	21	37	44	25	66	70	97
	23%	23%	22%	33%	21%	22%	20%	22%	25%	23%	20%	20%	20%	18%	27%	19%	19%	20%	19%	21%	28%



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Table 6

Q.2 Do you think it is a good idea or bad idea to allow members of the public to help run front line public services such as schools, hospitals or the police?

		Ger	nder		Αç	ge			Social	Class			Voting I	ntention			n 2005 G Election	eneral		Region	
	Total	Male	Fe- male	18-24	25-34	35-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Con	_Lab_	Lib Dem	Other	Con	_Lab_	Lib Dem	North	Mid- lands	South
Unweighted base	1033	449	584	76	129	598	230	368	243	157	265	215	195	158	71	201	276	117	350	341	342
Weighted base	1033	509	524	122	163	527	220	283	299	214	237	214	180	164	78	196	227	129	343	338	351
Good idea	635 62%	303 60%	333 63%	89 73%	121 74%	321 61%	104 47%	173 61%	187 63%	127 60%	147 62%	153 71%	104 58%	89 54%	52 66%	128 65%	117 51%	69 54%	214 62%	200 59%	222 63%
Bad idea	307 30%	163 32%	144 27%	26 21%	33 20%	151 29%	97 44%	88 31%	87 29%	67 32%	64 27%	48 22%	63 35%	70 43%	24 30%	54 27%	90 40%	51 40%	96 28%	102 30%	109 31%
Don't know	91 9%	43 8%	48 9%	6 5%	10 6%	55 10%	19 9%	22 8%	25 8%	19 9%	25 10%	13 6%	12 7%	5 3%	3 3%	14 7%	20 9%	8 6%	34 10%	36 11%	21 6%



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Table 7

Q.3 Do you support or oppose the British military operation in Afghanistan? Base: All respondents

		Ger	nder		Ag	ge			Social	Class			Voting I	ntention			2005 Ge Election	eneral		Region	
	Total	Male	Fe- male	18-24	25-34	35-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Con	_Lab_	Lib Dem	Other	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	North	Mid- lands	South
Unweighted base	1033	449	584	76	129	598	230	368	243	157	265	215	195	158	71	201	276	117	350	341	342
Weighted base	1033	509	524	122	163	527	220	283	299	214	237	214	180	164	78	196	227	129	343	338	351
Support	418 40%	248 49%	170 32%	56 46%	69 42%	211 40%	82 37%	128 45%	120 40%	100 47%	70 30%	104 49%	92 51%	67 41%	19 24%	91 47%	103 45%	51 40%	131 38%	148 44%	140 40%
Oppose	497 48%	214 42%	283 54%	55 45%	73 45%	249 47%	121 55%	122 43%	143 48%	93 44%	139 59%	93 43%	70 39%	86 53%	50 64%	92 47%	100 44%	70 55%	179 52%	151 45%	168 48%
Refused	12 1%	4 1%	9 2%	-	-	7 1%	6 3%	3 1%	4 1%	-	6 2%	4 2%	-	1	-	2 1%	1	1 1%	4 1%	4 1%	4 1%
Don't know	105 10%	42 8%	63 12%	12 9%	21 13%	61 12%	11 5%	30 11%	33 11%	20 9%	22 9%	13 6%	18 10%	10 6%	9 12%	11 6%	23 10%	7 5%	29 9%	36 11%	40 11%



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Table 8 Classification

Base: All respondents

		Unweighted Total	Weighted Total
Unweighted base		1033	1033
Weighted base		1033	1033
<u>Gender</u>			
Male		449 43%	509 49%
Female		584 57%	524 51%
<u>Age</u>			
18-24	(21)	76 7%	122 12%
25-34	(29.5)	129 12%	163 16%
35-44	(39.5)	180 17%	194 19%
45-54	(49.5)	215 21%	175 17%
55-64	(59.5)	203 20%	158 15%
65+	(70)	230 22%	220 21%
Average age		49.69	46.98

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	Unweighted Total	Weighted Total
Weighted base	1033	1033
Social Grade		
AB	368 36%	283 27%
C1	243 24%	299 29%
C2	157 15%	214 21%
DE	265 26%	237 23%
Region		
North	350 34%	343 33%
Midlands	341 33%	338 33%
South	342 33%	351 34%



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	Unweighted Total	Weighted Total
Weighted base	1033	1033
Working status		
Full-time	408 39%	454 44%
Part-time	142 14%	122 12%
Not working but seeking work or temporarily unemployed/sick	61 6%	63 6%
Not working/not seeking work	72 7%	63 6%
Retired	294 28%	262 25%
Student	34 3%	50 5%
Refused	22 2%	18 2%



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	Unweighted Total	Weighted Total
Weighted base	1033	1033
<u>Tenure</u>		
Own outright	379 37%	348 34%
Own with a mortgage	351 34%	360 35%
Council	101 10%	130 13%
Housing Assoc.	52 5%	42 4%
Rented from someone else	107 10%	115 11%
Rent free	12 1%	12 1%
Refused	31 3%	25 2%



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Table 9
Q.C/D Voting in May 5th 2005 General Election
Base: All respondents

	Unweighted Total	Weighted Total
Unweighted base	1033	1033
Weighted base	1033	1033
Conservative	201 19%	196 19%
Labour	276 27%	227 22%
Liberal Democrat/ Liberal	117 11%	129 12%
Scottish National Party/SNP	13 1%	13 1%
Plaid Cymru	3	3
Green Party	8 1%	8 1%
UK Independence Party (UKIP)	8 1%	10 1%
British National Party (BNP)	6 1%	8 1%
Others	4	5 *
Did not vote	308 30%	342 33%
Refused	69 7%	69 7%
Don't know	20 2%	24 2%

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