

YouGov Survey Results

The Budget 2003

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Sample Size: 2099

Fieldwork: 10-11 April 2003

Do you think [name of leader] is doing well or badly doing as [PM; leader of Conservatives/Liberal Democrats/Chancellor of the Exchequer]?

	Blair		IDS		Kennedy		Brown	
	Well %	Badly %	Well %	Badly %	Well %	Badly %	Well %	Badly %
Jan 11-12 2002	62	37	30	60	57	41		
June 7-8	49	48	36	54	53	31		
Oct 11-12	57	41	31	65	60	30		
Jan 3-4 2003	48	51	19	75	62	26		
Jan 16-17	42	57	20	72	59	28		
Jan 30-31							60	33
April 3-4	57	42	32	57	48	39	63	29
April 10-11	62	36	32	61	50	38	61	35

Q How much do you trust Labour / Conservatives to take the right decisions about the economy?

	Labour				Conservative			
	July 2002	Nov 2002	April 3-4	April 10-11	July 2002	Nov 2002	April 3-4	April 10-11
Trust a lot	9	10	10	10	3	3	5	4
Trust a fair amount	40	39	40	38	27	25	28	30
Total trust	49	49	50	48	30	28	33	34
Do not trust very much	29	29	31	31	37	37	38	37
Do not trust at all	20	21	17	19	30	32	23	24
Total do not trust	49	50	48	50	67	69	61	61
Don't know	2	1	2	2	3	3	6	5

Do you think this week's Budget will leave you and your family:

Better off	6
Not much difference	25
Worse off	65
Don't know	4

In his Budget speech, Gordon Brown announced that the Government will give all new-born babies at least £250, to be invested until they are

18. Do you think this will...

Give children a better start in life	31
Prove to be a meaningless gimmick	63
Don't know	6

How much do you expect the value of your home to rise, if at all, over the next 12 months? (homeowners only)

Rise by 20% or more	3
Rise by 10-19%	17
Rise by less than 10%	44
TOTAL RISE	64
Stay about the same	25
Fall by less than 10%	4
Fall by 10% or more	2
TOTAL FALL	6
Don't know	5

Compared with last year, do you think that this year, you and your family...

a. is better off or worse off

Better off this year	15
Worse off	49
About the same	35
Don't know	1

b. is likely to spend more or less on holidays

Spend more this year	15
Spend less	41
Spend about the same	39
Don't know	5

c. is likely to save more money or less

Save more	15
Save less	45
Save about the same	36
Don't know	4