

# YouGov Survey Results

## Euro Tracker (October)

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Sample Size: 2055

Fieldwork: 23-25 October 2002

If there were a general election tomorrow, which party would you vote for? %

Labour	40
Conservatives	31
Liberal Democrats	22
Other	7

Thinking now of the European Single Currency, which of the following statements would come closest to your own view?

Definitely join as soon as possible	16
Join if and when the economic conditions are right	36
Stay out for at least the next four or five years	20
Rule out on principle	26
Don't know	2

How well do you think the present government has handled relations with the European Union?

Very well	6
Fairly well	31
Neither well nor badly	34
Fairly badly	17
Very badly	8
Don't know	4

How much do you trust the government to make the right decisions on euro entry?

Trust a lot	12
Trust a little	24
Neither trust nor distrust	13
Don't trust much	22
Don't trust at all	29
Don't know	1

If there were a referendum today on whether to join the euro, how would you vote?

In favour of joining	38
Against joining	54
Would not vote	2
Don't know	6

A few days ago Ireland held a referendum on whether to agree to the EU's Nice Treaty, whose main feature is to allow a number of countries in eastern Europe, such as Poland and Hungary, to join the EU in the next few years. Do you think a similar referendum should have been held in Britain?

Should	58
Should not	29
Don't know	13

If there had been a referendum, how would you have voted?

In favour of the Nice Treaty	47
Against the Nice Treaty	35
Would not have voted	6
Don't know	12

**Which of the major countries in the European Union do you think has the highest standard of living?**

France	<b>23</b>
Germany	<b>45</b>
Great Britain	<b>16</b>
Italy	<b>4</b>
Don't know	<b>13</b>

**Which do you think has the best public services overall, such as health and education?**

France	<b>37</b>
Germany	<b>40</b>
Great Britain	<b>8</b>
Italy	<b>1</b>
Don't know	<b>14</b>

**Which do you think has the lowest unemployment?**

France	<b>10</b>
Germany	<b>11</b>
Great Britain	<b>57</b>
Italy	<b>3</b>
Don't know	<b>19</b>

**Which do you think has the best system of democracy?**

France	<b>10</b>
Germany	<b>13</b>
Great Britain	<b>53</b>
Italy	<b>1</b>
Don't know	<b>24</b>

**Which do you think has the friendliest people?**

France	<b>5</b>
Germany	<b>5</b>
Great Britain	<b>40</b>
Italy	<b>33</b>
Don't know	<b>17</b>