

# YouGov Survey Results

## Iraq War Tracker

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%

**Do you think the United States and Britain were right or wrong to take military action against Iraq?**

Right 56  
Wrong 37  
Don't know 7

**Do you think George Bush's handling of the Iraq crisis as a whole so far has been...**

Excellent 6  
Good 41  
Poor 27  
Very poor 23  
Don't know 3

**Do you think Tony Blair's handling of the Iraq crisis as a whole so far has been...**

Excellent 16  
Good 40  
Poor 24  
Very poor 17  
Don't know 3

**Now that there is a war, do you think Tony Blair's handling of the war itself (apart from the crisis as a whole), has so far been...**

Excellent 19  
Good 48  
Poor 18  
Very poor 8  
Don't know 6

**Do you think Britain and America are seeking to conquer Iraq or liberate Iraq?**

Conquer 30  
Liberate 64  
Don't know 6

**The American and British forces say they want to persuade Iraqi soldiers to surrender rather than be defeated in battle. Do you believe the Anglo-American forces when they say this, or not?**

Yes, believe 86  
No, do not 8  
Don't know 6

**If the British and American forces are trying to persuade Iraqi troops to surrender rather than be defeated in battle, is this a policy of which you approve or disapprove?**

Approve 88  
Disapprove 2  
Neither 8  
Don't know 2

**How big an effort do you believe the American and British forces are making to avoid casualties among Iraqi civilians?**

A very great effort	<b>57</b>
Some effort	<b>31</b>
Not much effort	<b>8</b>
No effort	<b>2</b>
Don't know	<b>2</b>

**Thinking generally and from what you know, how well do you think the war is going from the point of view of the British and American forces?**

Very well	<b>20</b>
Fairly well	<b>64</b>
Fairly badly	<b>10</b>
Very badly	<b>2</b>
Don't know	<b>4</b>

**How much do you trust Tony Blair to take the right decisions from now on about military action in Iraq?**

Trust a great deal	<b>22</b>
Trust a fair amount	<b>43</b>
Do not trust very much	<b>21</b>
Do not trust at all	<b>12</b>
Don't know	<b>2</b>

**How much do you trust George Bush to take the right decisions from now on about military action in Iraq?**

Trust a great deal	<b>9</b>
Trust a fair amount	<b>35</b>
Do not trust very much	<b>26</b>
Do not trust at all	<b>28</b>
Don't know	<b>2</b>

**Is it your impression that the Iraqi authorities are, or are not, exaggerating the number of civilian casualties for propaganda purposes?**

Yes, they are	<b>62</b>
No, they are not	<b>20</b>
Don't know	<b>18</b>

**Do you think the Americans, British and other coalition forces will defeat the bulk of the Iraqi forces...**

Within hours	<b>0</b>
Within days	<b>3</b>
Within a week or so	<b>20</b>
Within a fortnight or so	<b>20</b>
Within a month	<b>30</b>
Within a few months	<b>18</b>
Will not defeat them at all	<b>2</b>
Don't know	<b>7</b>

**'Should terrorists obtain weapons of mass destruction, they would pose a massive threat to our economies, our security and to world peace'**

Agree	<b>93</b>
Disagree	<b>4</b>
Don't know	<b>3</b>

**'Removing Saddam will be a blessing to the Iraqi people'**

Agree	<b>88</b>
Disagree	<b>2</b>
Don't know	<b>10</b>

<b>How satisfied are you with Tony Blair as Prime Minister?</b>		
	Very satisfied	<b>18</b>
	Fairly satisfied	<b>32</b>
	Not very satisfied	<b>27</b>
	Not at all satisfied	<b>22</b>
	Don't know	<b>1</b>

<b>How much do you respect Tony Blair?</b>		
	A great deal	<b>21</b>
	A fair amount	<b>32</b>
	Not much	<b>27</b>
	Not at all	<b>19</b>
	Don't know	<b>1</b>

<b>When the current crisis is over, do you think Tony Blair should or should not continue as Prime Minister?</b>		
	Should	<b>52</b>
	Should not	<b>37</b>
	Don't know	<b>11</b>

<b>Which of these do you think the American and British forces SHOULD do:</b>		
	Seek the quickest possible victory, even if this means signi	<b>9</b>
	Keep civilian casualties to a minimum, even if this means a	<b>89</b>
	Don't know	<b>3</b>

<b>Which of these do you think the American and British forces ARE doing:</b>		
	Seeking the quickest possible victory, even if this means si	<b>22</b>
	Keeping civilian casualties to a minimum, even if this means	<b>68</b>
	Don't know	<b>10</b>

<b>'Had we not acted against Iraq, Saddam would have provided terrorist groups with weapons of mass destruction'</b>		
	Agree	<b>49</b>
	Disagree	<b>22</b>
	He has done so already	<b>12</b>
	Don't know	<b>18</b>
	Don't know	<b>21</b>

<b>Which of these do you think the American and British forces SHOULD do:</b>		
	Seek the quickest possible victory, even if this means signi	<b>12</b>
	Keep civilian casualties to a minimum, even if this means a	<b>85</b>
	Don't know	<b>3</b>

<b>Which of these do you think the American and British forces WILL do:</b>		
	Seek the quickest possible victory, even if this means signi	<b>46</b>
	Keep civilian casualties to a minimum, even if this means a	<b>46</b>
	Don't know	<b>8</b>

<b>Thinking about the longer term impact of the Iraq crisis, which of these is most likely to happen?</b>		
	Economic conditions in Britain will improve over the next fe	<b>13</b>
	Economic conditions will stay much the same	<b>41</b>
	Economic conditions will get worse	<b>36</b>
	Don't know	<b>9</b>