

# YouGov / Left Foot Forward Survey Results

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Fieldwork: 3rd - 4th December 2009

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Total	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	ABC1	C2DE	London	Rest of South	Midlands / Wales	North	Scotland	Support
<b>2095</b>	658	448	298	1006	1089	575	787	733	1152	942	268	681	449	515	182	539
<b>2095</b>	704	399	289	984	1111	390	768	937	1239	855	283	663	449	516	184	571
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Which three or four of these issues do you think are the most important facing THE COUNTRY? (Please tick up to four.)

June 2009

The economy/ credit crunch/ jobs/ unemployment	70	68	68	74	70	69	67	68	72	63	71	64	68	70	64	69	69	73
Immigration/ asylum	49	50	61	43	35	50	50	42	49	56	47	54	52	48	50	54	41	35
Afghanistan/ the war on terrorism/ Islamic extremists	18	37	36	44	37	35	40	27	36	48	37	38	30	38	37	42	38	37
Health/ NHS / hospitals	36	37	37	40	34	33	41	36	36	39	35	40	41	36	38	34	43	36
Crime/ law and order/ police	42	35	41	31	28	37	34	30	36	38	34	37	41	34	37	35	29	25
Prices/ inflation/ cost of living	34	30	26	30	29	29	31	40	30	21	28	32	24	28	33	31	34	21
Pensions/ social security/ poverty in Britain	33	28	25	28	31	27	29	18	29	36	30	26	19	29	31	28	33	31
The environment/ pollution/ global warming	20	18	10	23	31	18	18	21	17	17	21	15	27	17	17	16	17	44
Income tax/ VAT/ National Insurance/ Council Tax	18	15	18	11	17	17	12	15	18	11	15	14	16	13	16	15	18	10
Europe/ The European Union	15	15	23	7	10	19	11	10	11	22	15	14	15	16	14	14	9	10
Housing/ house prices/ interest rates	20	13	10	17	15	12	13	20	12	8	13	12	10	13	14	13	15	13
Transport/ bus and train fares/ roads	8	9	8	8	13	11	7	12	8	6	10	7	12	8	9	9	5	12
Child care/ nurseries/ schools/ universities	9	8	7	7	12	6	9	10	9	5	9	6	8	8	8	7	8	13
Countryside/ farming/ GM crops/ fox-hunting	3	2	2	2	1	2	3	3	1	3	2	3	2	2	2	1	2	2
International development/ poverty	3	2	1	3	3	2	2	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	4	5
Don't know	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	1

Which three or four of these issues do you think are the most important facing YOU AND YOUR FAMILY? (Please tick up to four.)

Prices/ inflation/ cost of living	60	61	61	62	58	58	63	64	65	55	59	63	52	57	67	64	63	52
The economy/ credit crunch/ jobs/ unemployment	58	54	54	57	54	55	54	55	62	46	56	52	58	48	58	55	60	51
Health/ NHS / hospitals	34	34	33	37	35	31	37	28	31	43	35	33	33	37	36	29	37	40
Income tax/ VAT/ National Insurance/ Council Tax	35	33	41	25	31	34	31	36	35	27	33	32	28	35	32	33	32	23
Pensions/ social security/ poverty in Britain	35	29	28	32	36	27	31	12	26	46	31	27	20	30	32	32	26	29
Housing/ house prices/ interest rates	33	28	30	27	32	26	30	39	27	19	29	26	28	29	24	26	34	27
Crime/ law and order/ police	28	25	26	26	18	28	21	15	27	30	24	26	31	23	24	26	20	22
Immigration/ asylum	20	18	23	14	8	20	17	9	18	26	17	20	20	19	19	19	8	13
Transport/ bus and train fares/ roads	14	17	15	15	25	18	16	25	14	13	18	15	23	16	16	17	12	21
The environment/ pollution/ global warming	14	14	7	18	21	14	13	13	13	15	14	13	18	14	12	15	10	34
Child care/ nurseries/ schools/ universities	14	13	12	13	16	13	14	19	17	5	15	11	15	14	14	12	12	18
Afghanistan/ the war on terrorism/ Islamic extremists	5	7	8	9	5	7	8	4	6	11	6	9	7	7	7	9	9	7
Europe/ The European Union	8	7	11	2	6	9	5	3	4	12	7	7	6	7	8	7	2	4
Countryside/ farming/ GM crops/ fox-hunting	3	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	1	3	2	2	2	2	2	3	0	4
International development/ poverty	1	1	0	2	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	3	1	0	0	3	2
Don't know	2	3	1	2	2	3	3	5	2	2	2	4	4	5	2	2	2	2

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2095	1333	222	511	1127	382	75
2095	1312	212	518	1107	399	71
%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Which three or four of these issues do you think are the most important facing THE COUNTRY? (Please tick up to four.)

June 2009

The economy/ credit crunch/ jobs/ unemployment	70	68	66	68	67	72	63	45
Immigration/ asylum	49	50	57	44	37	51	65	42
Afghanistan/ the war on terrorism/ Islamic extremists	18	37	38	33	34	40	38	24
Health/ NHS / hospitals	36	37	37	43	37	39	32	39
Crime/ law and order/ police	42	35	39	39	28	37	42	22
Prices/ inflation/ cost of living	34	30	32	37	27	31	29	28
Pensions/ social security/ poverty in Britain	33	28	27	26	26	28	30	28
The environment/ pollution/ global warming	20	18	9	12	45	12	2	11
Income tax/ VAT/ National Insurance/ Council Tax	18	15	17	11	13	15	17	5
Europe/ The European Union	15	15	17	9	11	14	24	6
Housing/ house prices/ interest rates	20	13	13	9	14	13	11	15
Transport/ bus and train fares/ roads	8	9	8	5	10	8	10	5
Child care/ nurseries/ schools/ universities	9	8	6	7	9	9	5	6
Countryside/ farming/ GM crops/ fox-hunting	3	2	2	1	4	2	1	1
International development/ poverty	3	2	1	2	4	1	0	6
Don't know	1	1	1	5	2	0	0	20

Which three or four of these issues do you think are the most important facing YOU AND YOUR FAMILY? (Please tick up to four.)

Prices/ inflation/ cost of living	60	61	64	64	55	64	63	44
The economy/ credit crunch/ jobs/ unemployment	58	54	56	50	49	59	52	40
Health/ NHS / hospitals	34	34	32	37	37	36	27	27
Income tax/ VAT/ National Insurance/ Council Tax	35	33	37	29	28	34	39	17
Pensions/ social security/ poverty in Britain	35	29	30	26	28	30	32	27
Housing/ house prices/ interest rates	33	28	28	23	28	28	27	22
Crime/ law and order/ police	28	25	26	26	22	25	31	15
Immigration/ asylum	20	18	20	17	13	18	27	15
Transport/ bus and train fares/ roads	14	17	16	13	19	17	15	13
The environment/ pollution/ global warming	14	14	6	9	36	8	2	8
Child care/ nurseries/ schools/ universities	14	13	11	14	16	14	9	6
Afghanistan/ the war on terrorism/ Islamic extremists	5	7	8	6	7	8	8	3
Europe/ The European Union	8	7	8	5	4	6	14	5
Countryside/ farming/ GM crops/ fox-hunting	3	2	1	2	3	2	1	0
International development/ poverty	1	1	0	0	2	1	0	0
Don't know	2	3	2	9	3	1	3	27

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Unweighted Sample

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	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	ABC1	C2DE	London	Rest of South	Midlands / Wales	North	Scotland	Support
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%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Would you support or oppose higher taxes, such as on petrol and flights, to reduce energy use and carbon emissions?

Support	26	16	37	39	28	24	26	24	28	29	22	34	29	20	23	25	100
Oppose	64	76	53	55	66	61	63	65	62	60	68	55	59	67	69	71	0
Don't know	11	8	11	6	6	15	11	11	10	11	10	11	13	13	8	4	0

Which of these statements comes closest to your view?

Nov  
2006

Global warming is a big and urgent issue: immediate and radical steps need to be taken to slow it down	38	24	15	29	40	28	21	29	24	21	24	25	28	24	21	26	24	53
Global warming is a big issue, but more work needs to be done to understand it before radical changes are made to the way we live	49	54	60	58	47	49	59	52	55	54	55	53	54	54	56	51	60	43
There is not yet enough clear evidence of global warming and therefore there is no need currently to consider any major steps to change the way we live	9	18	23	12	12	22	15	14	18	22	18	19	14	18	19	22	15	4
Don't know	3	4	2	1	1	2	5	5	3	4	3	4	4	4	5	2	1	1

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%	%	%	%	%	%	%	

Would you support or oppose higher taxes, such as on petrol and flights, to reduce energy use and carbon emissions?

Support	26	0	0	56	21	5	4
Oppose	64	100	0	36	69	92	37
Don't know	11	0	100	8	11	3	59

Which of these statements comes closest to your view?

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2006

Global warming is a big and urgent issue: immediate and radical steps need to be taken to slow it down	38	24	14	19	100	0	0	0
Global warming is a big issue, but more work needs to be done to understand it before radical changes are made to the way we live	49	54	58	56	0	100	0	0
There is not yet enough clear evidence of global warming and therefore there is no need currently to consider any major steps to change the way we live	9	18	26	6	0	0	100	0
Don't know	3	4	2	20	0	0	0	100

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%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

**And which of these statements comes closest to your own view?**

[Excluding those who do not think it is a problem]

Nov  
2006

If introduced with enough urgency, new technologies can do enough to curb global warming without standards of living suffering	27	29	33	31	22	33	26	37	29	23	26	33	33	25	29	32	29	26
New technologies can help, but they won't be enough: standards of living will have to rise more slowly	45	46	47	43	57	49	44	42	49	47	50	41	40	51	46	44	45	51
In order to curb global warming, current standards of living in the world's richest countries will have to fall below current levels	19	14	11	15	16	12	16	7	14	20	14	14	15	14	13	14	14	19
Don't know	9	11	9	11	6	7	15	14	8	11	10	13	12	9	13	11	12	5
<b>This month a major international conference will be held in Copenhagen to seek world-wide agreement on measures to tackle climate change. If agreement is reached, do you think countries like Russia, China and India would make sure that those measures are implemented in their own country?</b>																		
Yes, they probably would	17	13	10	19	17	14	11	14	12	12	12	13	17	10	17	11	10	20
No, they probably would not	66	74	83	69	71	78	70	66	77	76	75	72	66	76	71	76	75	67
Don't know	17	14	7	12	12	8	19	20	10	12	13	15	16	14	12	13	16	13
<b>If there were agreement on common measures, do you think the United States would make sure those measures are implemented in the US?</b>																		
Yes, the US probably would	24	34	35	41	32	30	36	41	29	33	31	36	35	33	34	32	40	41
No, it probably would not	64	54	57	49	61	64	45	45	60	55	58	50	52	55	51	58	52	51
Don't know	12	12	8	11	7	6	19	14	11	12	11	14	13	12	16	11	8	8
<b>Suppose there is NO agreement at Copenhagen to take tough and effective measures, which of these statements comes closer to your view?</b>																		
Britain should take a lead in fighting global warming, even if this means that people like me have to change our ways	49	36	25	44	50	35	36	45	35	29	37	33	37	35	35	35	41	70
There is no point in Britain taking radical action to fight global warming until other countries also agree to take tough measures	45	56	70	50	46	59	53	44	56	65	55	57	54	57	55	59	51	28
Don't know	5	9	5	6	4	6	11	11	8	7	7	10	9	9	10	7	8	2

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In order to curb global warming, current standards of living in the world's richest countries will have to fall below current levels	19	<b>14</b>	10	18	17	13	0	0
Don't know	9	<b>11</b>	13	22	5	14	0	0
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Yes, they probably would	17	<b>13</b>	11	8	21	12	6	1
No, they probably would not	66	<b>74</b>	80	54	66	77	85	24
Don't know	17	<b>14</b>	10	38	13	11	9	74
<b>If there were agreement on common measures, do you think the United States would make sure those measures are implemented in the US?</b>								
Yes, the US probably would	24	<b>34</b>	32	27	39	36	25	11
No, it probably would not	64	<b>54</b>	58	36	50	55	63	24
Don't know	12	<b>12</b>	10	37	11	10	12	65
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Britain should take a lead in fighting global warming, even if this means that people like me have to change our ways	49	<b>36</b>	22	31	74	30	7	7
There is no point in Britain taking radical action to fight global warming until other countries also agree to take tough measures	45	<b>56</b>	70	40	22	64	84	21
Don't know	5	<b>9</b>	8	29	5	6	10	72

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Suppose there is agreement at Copenhagen to take tough measures to fight global warming: would you support or oppose higher taxes, such as on petrol and flights, if similar taxes were applied in all other developed countries?

Support	39	32	50	54	42	36	38	38	41	42	35	46	40	36	37	38	96
Oppose	46	57	39	37	49	44	44	48	46	45	48	41	45	46	50	51	2
Don't know	15	11	12	10	10	19	18	14	13	12	17	14	15	18	12	11	2

Do you agree or disagree with the following statement?

'Whatever happens at Copenhagen, the Government should spend more – if necessary by raising taxes – to invest in renewable energy such as wind farms and tidal power'

Strongly agree	17	11	22	25	20	14	16	18	16	18	15	21	16	14	17	18	42
Tend to agree	39	38	48	44	37	40	34	40	41	40	38	37	38	43	38	36	46
<b>TOTAL AGREE</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>87</b>
Tend to disagree	23	29	17	20	25	21	26	22	21	23	23	23	22	22	24	26	7
Strongly disagree	13	17	8	5	14	12	13	12	14	12	14	11	15	11	13	15	3
<b>TOTAL DISAGREE</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>10</b>
Don't know	9	5	6	7	4	13	12	8	8	8	10	8	10	11	8	6	3

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Support	39	18	30	72	36	10	6
Oppose	46	70	15	20	49	79	19
Don't know	15	13	56	9	14	11	75

Do you agree or disagree with the following statement?

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Strongly agree	17	8	7	43	9	8	1
Tend to agree	39	35	45	38	45	26	14
<b>TOTAL AGREE</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>15</b>
Tend to disagree	23	30	16	11	28	27	14
Strongly disagree	13	19	2	3	11	30	14
<b>TOTAL DISAGREE</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>28</b>
Don't know	9	8	31	5	7	10	57