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Q1. General Election turnout.	
10 - Absolutely certain to vote	64%
9	4%
8	8%
7	5%
6	2%
5	5%
4	1%
3	1%
2	2%
1 - Certain not to vote	7%
Don't know	1%

Q2. Westminster Voting Intention. Adjusted. Base: All expressing an intention to vote.	
 Conservatives	31%
 Labour	49%
 Liberal Democrats	16%
 Other	3%
 LEAD	-18%%

Q3. Which party do you think has the best policies for dealing with the economy?	
Conservative	23%
Labour	38%
Liberal Democrat	6%
Others	1%
None of them	14%
Don't know	18%

Q4. Companies, organisations, foreign governments and charities sometimes pay Lobby companies to help try and influence MP's and Ministers. Do you think Lobby companies help or harm the working of democracy in Britain or make little difference one way or the other?	
Help	8%

Harm	42%
Make no difference	42%
Don't know	8%
<b>Q5. There have been recent reports that outside lobbyists have been paying money to MP's to ask questions in Parliament. Do you think this applies mainly to.....</b>	
Labour MP's	2%
Conservative MP's	23%
MP's of other parties	1%
MP's of all parties	67%
Don't know	6%
<b>Q6. At present MP's should disclose the sources of income earned from outside sources in a Parliamentary register. Do you think it should be a criminal offence if outside income is not disclosed in this register?</b>	
Yes	72%
No	24%
Don't know	4%
<b>Q7. Do you agree or disagree that MP's should be allowed to have paid outside interests to supplement their income?</b>	
Agree	43%
Disagree	54%
Don't know	3%
<b>Q8. Do you agree or disagree that all political parties should be legally obliged to reveal the amounts and sources of all the funds they receive?</b>	
Agree	90%
Disagree	8%
Don't know	1%
<b>Q7. Do you agree or disagree that public money should be used to finance political parties?</b>	
Agree	20%
Disagree	75%
Don't know	6%
<b>Q8. The MP Neil Hamilton recently abandoned a libel action concerning allegations of payments made to him to ask questions in Parliament. From what you have seen or heard do you think he should continue as an MP or resign?</b>	
Continue as an MP	22%
Resign	62%
Don't know	16%
<b>Q9. Thinking about the way the Prime Minister, John Major, has handled this affair, do you think he has been too tough, not tough enough or about fair?</b>	

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<b>Too tough</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>Not tough enough</b>	<b>54%</b>
<b>About fair</b>	<b>33%</b>
<b>Don't know</b>	<b>12%</b>