

Business for Sterling Trade Union Poll - May 1999

Q1 If you were to vote today, would you vote to...	
Base: All Trade Union Members	
Keep the pound	61%
Adopt the Euro	23%
DK	16%

Q2 Which of the following do you think are the most important reasons for keeping the pound?	
Base: All Trade Union Members who want to keep the pound	
The Euro would cause higher unemployment	23%
The Euro would mean higher taxes	20%
The Euro would mean losing control of our own Economy	64%
Decisions would be taken at European level rather than at Westminster	64%
Decisions would be taken at European level rather than at Westminster	48%
DK	7%

Q2 Which of the following do you think are the most important reasons for keeping the pound?	
Base: All Trade Union Members	
The Euro would cause higher unemployment	17%
The Euro would mean higher taxes	15%
The Euro would mean losing control of our own Economy	49%
Decisions would be taken at European level rather than at Westminster	41%
DK	24%

Q3 Which of the following do you think are the most important reasons for adopting the Euro?	
Base: All Trade Union Members who want to adopt the Euro	
Prices and interest rates would be lower	45%
Business would do better	57%
The Economy would be stronger	36%
We would have more influence in Europe	49%
Travel would be easier	48%

DK	3%
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**Q3 Which of the following do you think are the most important reasons for adopting the Euro?
Base: All Trade Union Members**

Prices and interest rates would be lower	22%
Business would do better	23%
The Economy would be stronger	14%
We would have more influence in Europe	24%
Travel would be easier	35%
DK	30%

**Q4 In general, do you think that unemployment in Europe is lower, the same, or higher than here in Britain?
Base: All Trade Union Members**

Lower than in Britain	23%
The same as in Britain	27%
Higher than in Britain	36%
DK	13%

**Q5 Do you think that Europe's economy is doing better than, the same as, or doing worse than Britain's?
Base: All Trade Union Members**

Doing better than in Britain	23%
The same as in Britain	31%
Doing worse than in Britain	34%
DK	11%

**Q6 From what you have heard, do you think that the Euro will be a success, a failure or do you think that it is too early to say?
Base: All Trade Union Members**

A success	17%
A failure	18%
Too early to say	62%
DK	3%

**Q7a Has your employer asked your views on the Euro?
Base: All Trade Union Members**

Yes	2%
No	96%
DK	3%

Q7b Has your Trade Union asked your views on the Euro?
Base: All Trade Union Members

Yes	4%
No	94%
DK	2%

Q8 How much information has your Trade Union provided on the Euro?
Base: All Trade Union Members

A lot	3%
A little	14%
None	79%
DK	4%

Q9 What position do you think the TUC and its leadership should take in relation to the Euro?
Base: All Trade Union Members

Argue for Britain to adopt the Euro	15%
Remain neutral for the time being	38%
Argue for Britain to retain the Pound	36%
DK	11%