

BBC PETROL CRISIS POLL -SEPTEMBER 2000

ICM RESEARCH interviewed a random sample of 514 adults aged 18+ by telephone on the 12th of September 2000. Interviews were conducted across the country and the results have been weighted to the profile of all adults.

Q1. Do you support the action of the fuel protesters or not?

Yes	78%
No	17%
Don't know	5%

Q2. Would you support the action of the fuel protesters if essential services were adversely affected?

Yes	36%
No	57%
Don't know	7%

Q3. Do you think the government should reduce the the tax on petrol or not?

Yes	90%
No	7%
Don't know	3%

Q4. Do you think the government should reduce the tax on petrol SPECIFICALLY in response to the protests or not?

Yes	55%
No	40%
Don't know	5%

Q5. To what extent do you think Tony Blair in is touch with public opinion on fuel prices?

A lot	13%
A little	30%
Not at all	50%
Don't know	7%

Q6. Which one of the following do you think is most

responsible for the current level of petrol prices?

The government	70%
The oil companies	7%
The oil producing countries (OPEC)	13%
Don't know	9%