

## CONSERVATIVE PARTY POLL

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ICM Research interviewed a random sample of 1008 adults aged 18+ by telephone on 6-7th November, 2002. Interviews were conducted across the country and the results have been weighted to the profile of all adults.

### Q1. General Election Turnout.

10 - Absolutely certain to vote	50%
9	7%
8	9%
7	7%
6	2%
5	8%
4	2%
3	2%
2	2%
1 - Certain not to vote	10%
Don't know	1%

### Q2. General Election Voting Intention.

Base: All expressing an intention to vote.

 Labour	43%
 Conservative	29%
 Liberal Democrat	21%
 Other	7%
 LEAD	-14%

### Q1. Do you think gay couples should be allowed to adopt children if the adoption authorities think they would make suitable parents?

Should be allowed	49%
Should not be allowed	38%
Don't know	13%

<b>Q2. Do you think unmarried couples should be allowed to adopt children if the adoption authorities think that they would make suitable parents?</b>	
Should be allowed	76%
Should not be allowed	19%
Don't know	5%
<b>Q3. On balance would you be more or less likely to vote Tory if .....were leader of the Conservative Party?</b>	
<b>Kenneth Clarke</b>	
More likely	23%
No difference	25%
Less likely	41%
Don't know	11%
<b>Michael Portillo</b>	
More likely	13%
No difference	22%
Less likely	55%
Don't know	10%
<b>Michael Howard</b>	
More likely	12%
No difference	26%
Less likely	43%
Don't know	19%
<b>David Davis</b>	
More likely	11%
No difference	26%
Less likely	37%
Don't know	27%
<b>Theresa May</b>	
More likely	15%
No difference	25%
Less likely	37%
Don't know	23%
<b>Oliver Letwin</b>	

More likely	7%
No difference	26%
Less likely	37%
Don't know	30%

**William Hague**

More likely	24%
No difference	27%
Less likely	42%
Don't know	8%

**Q4. Would you be more likely or less likely to vote Conservative if Ken Clarke were leader and Michael Portillo deputy leader?**

More likely	24%
No difference	21%
Less likely	42%
Don't know	13%

**Q5. On Tuesday, Mr. Duncan Smith made a statement attacking his opponents within his party and calling upon the Tories to "unite or die". Do you think this statement was the right thing to do or do you think it was a mistake?**

Right thing to do	46%
Mistake	35%
Don't know	19%

**Q6. In her conference speech Theresa May, the Conservative Party Chairperson said that some people had discredited the party as the 'nasty' party. Taking into account your own impressions of the Conservatives, do you think this description as the nasty party is accurate or inaccurate?**

Accurate	24%
Inaccurate	64%
Don't know	11%

**Q7. When do you think the Conservatives are likely to return to power?**

At the next general election	12%
Not until two elections time	39%
Not until three elections time or later	25%
Never	13%

Don't know	11%
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**Q8. Iain Duncan Smith has been leader of the Conservatives for just over a year. Do you think he has so far proved to be an effective leader of the party or has he been ineffective?**

Effective	25%
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Ineffective	61%
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Don't know	15%
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**Q9. Do you think Iain Duncan Smith should now resign as party leader or should he continue?**

Resign	22%
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Continue	63%
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Don't know	15%
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**Q10. Which of the two parties do you now regard as being able to provide the most effective opposition to Labour, the Conservative Party or the Liberal Democrats?**

Conservative Party	46%
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Liberal Democrats	43%
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Don't know	11%
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