

Iraq Poll

Fieldwork : February 10th-11th 2003

Absolutes/col percents

Table 1
Q.1 Do you believe that the UK should take part in a war against Iraq?
Base: All respondents

	Sex			Age				Social Class				Voting Intention				Region		
	Total	Male	Fe- male	18-24	25-34	35-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Other	North	Mid- lands	South
Unweighted base	1006	485	521	79	173	574	180	179	344	268	215	175	218	140	45	342	313	351
Weighted base	1006	493	513	112	193	498	203	239	279	209	278	164	223	143	43	341	311	355
Only with a fresh mandate for war from the UN	403 40%	229 47%	174 34%	32 28%	93 48%	204 41%	75 37%	123 52%	117 42%	73 35%	90 32%	65 40%	102 46%	76 53%	22 50%	128 38%	139 45%	136 38%
Without a fresh mandate for war from the UN	95 9%	68 14%	26 5%	8 7%	15 8%	58 12%	13 6%	35 15%	18 6%	27 13%	14 5%	15 9%	38 17%	3 2%	2 6%	33 10%	23 7%	38 11%
Not go to war, with or without a fresh mandate from the UN	451 45%	169 34%	282 55%	68 61%	72 37%	211 42%	100 49%	76 32%	128 46%	93 44%	153 55%	71 43%	70 31%	59 41%	18 43%	164 48%	127 41%	159 45%
Don't know	57 6%	26 5%	31 6%	4 3%	14 7%	25 5%	15 7%	4 2%	16 6%	17 8%	21 7%	13 8%	12 6%	5 3%	1 1%	15 4%	21 7%	21 6%

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Table 2
Q.2 Which, if any, of the following do you think apply to Tony Blair?
Base: All respondents

	Sex			Age				Social Class				Voting Intention				Region		
	Total	Male	Fe- male	18-24	25-34	35-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Other	North	Mid- lands	South
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Weighted base	1006	493	513	112	193	498	203	239	279	209	278	164	223	143	43	341	311	355
He acts as the foreign minister of the US and does anything that Bush wants him to do	433 43%	188 38%	245 48%	64 58%	77 40%	217 44%	74 37%	93 39%	127 46%	92 44%	121 44%	87 53%	38 17%	75 53%	24 56%	148 43%	131 42%	154 44%
He does what he believes to be right for Britain	462 46%	251 51%	211 41%	41 37%	97 50%	224 45%	99 49%	129 54%	116 41%	93 44%	124 45%	56 34%	162 73%	60 42%	17 39%	157 46%	144 46%	161 45%
Both	55 6%	26 5%	30 6%	5 5%	14 7%	21 4%	15 8%	10 4%	20 7%	11 5%	14 5%	15 9%	12 6%	4 3%	1 3%	13 4%	19 6%	23 6%
Neither of these	12 1%	9 2%	4 1%	1 1%	- -	9 2%	3 1%	3 1%	7 2%	2 1%	1 *	2 1%	3 1%	1 1%	1 1%	2 1%	4 1%	6 2%
Don't know	43 4%	19 4%	24 5%	- -	5 2%	27 5%	11 6%	4 1%	10 3%	12 6%	18 6%	5 3%	9 4%	2 1%	1 1%	20 6%	12 4%	11 3%

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Table 3

Q.3 Which of the following do you think is the main reason that America and Britain want to attack Iraq?

Base: All respondents

	Sex			Age				Social Class				Voting Intention				Region		
	Total	Male	Fe- male	18-24	25-34	35-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Other	North	Mid- lands	South
Unweighted base	1006	485	521	79	173	574	180	179	344	268	215	175	218	140	45	342	313	351
Weighted base	1006	493	513	112	193	498	203	239	279	209	278	164	223	143	43	341	311	355
To secure oil supplies	279 28%	141 29%	138 27%	26 23%	52 27%	136 27%	65 32%	71 30%	87 31%	52 25%	69 25%	43 26%	32 14%	63 44%	13 30%	94 28%	84 27%	101 28%
To depose Saddam as leader of Iraq	243 24%	136 28%	107 21%	22 19%	45 23%	133 27%	44 22%	71 29%	64 23%	46 22%	63 23%	42 26%	65 29%	26 18%	8 19%	74 22%	74 24%	95 27%
To eliminate Saddam's weapons of mass destruction	232 23%	110 22%	122 24%	27 24%	51 26%	111 22%	43 21%	52 22%	60 22%	56 27%	63 23%	38 23%	67 30%	28 20%	13 29%	83 24%	71 23%	78 22%
To help prevent another act of international terrorism like September 11th	199 20%	90 18%	110 21%	33 30%	42 22%	91 18%	33 16%	42 18%	48 17%	50 24%	59 21%	32 19%	47 21%	18 12%	8 18%	69 20%	69 22%	61 17%
None of these	11 1%	3 1%	8 2%	- -	2 1%	8 2%	2 1%	3 1%	4 2%	- -	4 1%	2 1%	3 1%	3 2%	- -	4 1%	2 1%	5 1%
Don't know	41 4%	13 3%	29 6%	4 3%	2 1%	20 4%	16 8%	- -	16 6%	5 2%	21 7%	7 4%	10 4%	5 3%	2 4%	17 5%	10 3%	15 4%

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Table 4

Q.4 France and Germany have suggested sending three times the present number of inspectors to Iraq to look for Weapons of Mass Destruction. America says Saddam is not co-operating, the inspectors are now a "diversion and not a solution". Which of the following comes closest to your own view?

Base: All respondents

	Sex			Age				Social Class				Voting Intention				Region		
	Total	Male	Fe- male	18-24	25-34	35-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Other	North	Mid- lands	South
Unweighted base	1006	485	521	79	173	574	180	179	344	268	215	175	218	140	45	342	313	351
Weighted base	1006	493	513	112	193	498	203	239	279	209	278	164	223	143	43	341	311	355
Sending many more weapons inspectors to Iraq is a good plan	505 50%	235 48%	269 53%	52 47%	104 54%	241 48%	106 52%	120 50%	154 55%	102 49%	129 46%	76 46%	108 49%	98 68%	26 60%	166 49%	163 52%	175 49%
Sending many more weapons inspectors is a diversion and not a solution	446 44%	236 48%	210 41%	57 51%	79 41%	237 47%	73 36%	114 48%	106 38%	102 49%	124 44%	77 47%	106 47%	40 28%	14 33%	156 46%	133 43%	156 44%
Don't know	56 6%	21 4%	34 7%	3 3%	9 5%	20 4%	23 11%	5 2%	19 7%	5 2%	26 9%	12 7%	9 4%	5 3%	3 7%	18 5%	14 5%	23 6%

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Table 5

Q.5 Do you feel that the British and American Governments have proved their case that Saddam Hussein has weapons of mass destruction?

Base: All respondents

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	Total	Male	Fe- male	18-24	25-34	35-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Other	North	Mid- lands	South
Unweighted base	1006	485	521	79	173	574	180	179	344	268	215	175	218	140	45	342	313	351
Weighted base	1006	493	513	112	193	498	203	239	279	209	278	164	223	143	43	341	311	355
Yes	335 33%	166 34%	170 33%	39 35%	56 29%	171 34%	70 35%	59 25%	87 31%	75 36%	114 41%	59 36%	97 44%	20 14%	8 19%	126 37%	101 33%	108 31%
No	604 60%	316 64%	288 56%	70 62%	123 64%	305 61%	107 53%	168 70%	175 63%	125 59%	136 49%	89 54%	113 51%	119 83%	34 79%	185 54%	195 63%	224 63%
Don't know	66 7%	11 2%	55 11%	4 3%	14 7%	23 5%	26 13%	12 5%	17 6%	10 5%	28 10%	16 10%	12 6%	4 3%	1 2%	30 9%	14 4%	23 6%

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Table 6
Q.6 If there is military action against Iraq, how long do you think the fighting will last?
Base: All respondents

	Sex			Age				Social Class				Voting Intention				Region		
	Total	Male	Fe- male	18-24	25-34	35-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Other	North	Mid- lands	South
Unweighted base	1006	485	521	79	173	574	180	179	344	268	215	175	218	140	45	342	313	351
Weighted base	1006	493	513	112	193	498	203	239	279	209	278	164	223	143	43	341	311	355
A few days	26 3%	14 3%	12 2%	1 1%	1 *	19 4%	5 2%	7 3%	7 2%	2 1%	10 4%	4 2%	6 3%	3 2%	1 1%	15 4%	6 2%	5 1%
A week or 2	74 7%	54 11%	20 4%	1 1%	8 4%	49 10%	16 8%	16 6%	20 7%	18 9%	20 7%	11 7%	19 8%	7 5%	4 10%	24 7%	24 8%	26 7%
Up to a Month	105 10%	74 15%	31 6%	5 4%	20 11%	62 12%	18 9%	31 13%	21 8%	18 9%	35 13%	18 11%	25 11%	19 13%	5 11%	41 12%	26 8%	39 11%
1 month to 3 months	144 14%	76 15%	68 13%	15 13%	23 12%	70 14%	36 18%	42 17%	32 12%	29 14%	41 15%	31 19%	37 17%	22 16%	7 17%	44 13%	50 16%	49 14%
3-6 months	141 14%	69 14%	71 14%	16 15%	31 16%	67 14%	25 12%	33 14%	46 16%	25 12%	37 13%	29 18%	28 13%	25 17%	5 11%	47 14%	42 14%	52 15%
6 months to a year	145 14%	66 13%	79 15%	17 15%	38 20%	68 14%	22 11%	34 14%	46 17%	36 17%	29 10%	19 12%	30 14%	17 12%	7 16%	41 12%	47 15%	56 16%
Longer than that	159 16%	72 15%	86 17%	33 29%	34 18%	66 13%	26 13%	39 16%	46 17%	36 17%	37 13%	21 13%	43 19%	24 16%	10 22%	61 18%	47 15%	50 14%
Don't know	213 21%	67 14%	146 28%	24 21%	38 20%	96 19%	55 27%	38 16%	61 22%	45 21%	70 25%	32 19%	34 15%	26 18%	5 11%	67 20%	69 22%	78 22%

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Table 7
Q.7 Do you think a war against Iraq would or would not...?
Base: All respondents

	Sex			Age				Social Class				Voting Intention				Region		
	Total	Male	Fe- male	18-24	25-34	35-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Other	North	Mid- lands	South
Unweighted base	1006	485	521	79	173	574	180	179	344	268	215	175	218	140	45	342	313	351
Weighted base	1006	493	513	112	193	498	203	239	279	209	278	164	223	143	43	341	311	355
<u>Remove Saddam Hussein from power?</u>																		
Yes, would	547 54%	321 65%	225 44%	48 43%	106 55%	275 55%	117 58%	139 58%	146 52%	108 52%	154 55%	90 55%	149 67%	77 54%	24 55%	193 57%	178 57%	176 50%
No, would not	371 37%	136 28%	235 46%	54 48%	72 37%	184 37%	61 30%	75 31%	113 40%	83 39%	101 36%	63 38%	56 25%	53 37%	20 45%	120 35%	109 35%	142 40%
Don't know	88 9%	35 7%	53 10%	9 8%	15 8%	39 8%	25 12%	25 11%	20 7%	19 9%	24 8%	11 7%	18 8%	14 10%	- -	27 8%	24 8%	37 10%
<u>Deter other countries from developing weapons of mass destruction?</u>																		
Yes, would	313 31%	156 32%	157 31%	37 33%	42 22%	168 34%	67 33%	75 31%	85 31%	64 31%	89 32%	63 39%	89 40%	40 28%	11 26%	105 31%	101 33%	107 30%
No, would not	644 64%	318 64%	326 64%	72 64%	147 76%	310 62%	116 57%	161 67%	181 65%	139 66%	163 59%	92 56%	125 56%	102 71%	31 71%	217 64%	197 63%	229 65%
Don't know	49 5%	19 4%	30 6%	3 3%	5 2%	21 4%	20 10%	3 1%	13 5%	6 3%	27 10%	9 5%	10 4%	1 1%	1 3%	18 5%	13 4%	18 5%
<u>Deter terrorist groups from attacking America or Britain in the future?</u>																		
Yes, would	200 20%	104 21%	97 19%	31 28%	28 14%	91 18%	50 25%	37 15%	44 16%	38 18%	82 29%	40 24%	42 19%	13 9%	7 15%	62 18%	59 19%	79 22%
No, would not	768 76%	375 76%	393 77%	79 71%	161 83%	395 79%	133 66%	200 83%	227 81%	162 77%	179 64%	117 71%	172 77%	129 90%	36 83%	268 79%	238 77%	262 74%
Don't know	38 4%	14 3%	24 5%	2 2%	4 2%	12 2%	20 10%	3 1%	8 3%	9 4%	17 6%	7 4%	9 4%	1 1%	1 1%	11 3%	13 4%	14 4%

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	Total	Male	Fe- male	18-24	25-34	35-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Other	North	Mid- lands	South
Weighted base	1006	493	513	112	193	498	203	239	279	209	278	164	223	143	43	341	311	355
Damage relations with the Muslim community in Britain?																		
Yes, would	756	353	403	84	151	384	137	178	222	153	203	119	154	111	37	251	247	258
	75%	72%	79%	75%	78%	77%	68%	75%	79%	73%	73%	73%	69%	78%	86%	74%	79%	73%
No, would not	194	116	78	27	35	87	46	50	49	46	50	38	55	27	6	74	49	71
	19%	24%	15%	24%	18%	17%	23%	21%	17%	22%	18%	23%	24%	19%	14%	22%	16%	20%
Don't know	57	24	32	1	8	28	20	11	9	11	25	7	15	4	-	16	15	25
	6%	5%	6%	1%	4%	6%	10%	5%	3%	5%	9%	5%	7%	3%	-	5%	5%	7%

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Table 8

Q.8 Do you believe that there are links between Saddam Hussein's regime and Al Qaeda and associated terror groups?

Base: All respondents

	Sex			Age				Social Class				Voting Intention				Region		
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Weighted base	1006	493	513	112	193	498	203	239	279	209	278	164	223	143	43	341	311	355
Yes	568 56%	276 56%	292 57%	68 61%	102 53%	290 58%	108 53%	115 48%	162 58%	115 55%	175 63%	96 58%	124 56%	67 47%	25 57%	195 57%	190 61%	182 51%
No	268 27%	153 31%	115 22%	29 26%	56 29%	133 27%	50 25%	86 36%	61 22%	60 29%	61 22%	37 23%	63 28%	62 43%	17 39%	86 25%	69 22%	113 32%
Don't know	171 17%	64 13%	107 21%	15 13%	35 18%	75 15%	45 22%	38 16%	56 20%	35 16%	42 15%	31 19%	36 16%	15 10%	2 4%	60 18%	51 17%	59 17%

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Table 9

Q.9 It has been said that September 11th showed “the dangers of waiting until it's too late” to take military action against terrorist groups or dangerous states. Do you agree/disagree?

Base: All respondents

	Sex			Age				Social Class				Voting Intention				Region		
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Weighted base	1006	493	513	112	193	498	203	239	279	209	278	164	223	143	43	341	311	355
Agree	516 51%	270 55%	246 48%	65 59%	93 48%	258 52%	99 49%	114 48%	143 51%	112 54%	147 53%	93 57%	117 53%	60 42%	21 49%	183 54%	181 58%	151 43%
Disagree	419 42%	197 40%	222 43%	46 41%	88 45%	206 41%	79 39%	112 47%	122 44%	81 39%	103 37%	59 36%	94 42%	73 51%	20 46%	128 37%	112 36%	179 51%
Don't know	71 7%	26 5%	45 9%	- -	12 6%	35 7%	24 12%	13 5%	14 5%	16 8%	28 10%	12 7%	12 5%	9 7%	2 5%	30 9%	17 5%	24 7%