The 2010 General Election and its impact on London

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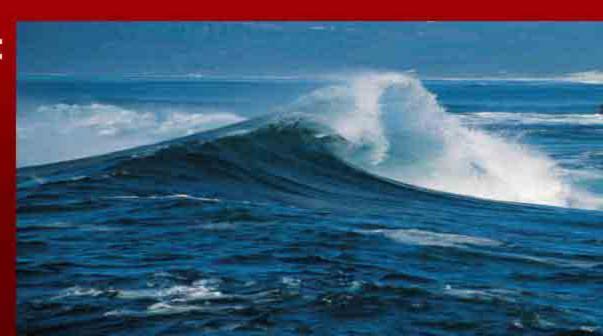
Outline of the Presentation

- Basics
- The British Results
- The London Results
- What Now for the Country
- What Now for London
- Big Society?
- Questions?

The Basics

Understanding Public Opinion Research

- We measure perceptions, not facts
- Two kinds of findings we bring to our clients: reality, and misperception
- Five things we find: behaviour, knowledge, and...
- three levels of 'views':
 - Opinions
 - Attitudes
 - Values



Calculating Swing

Simple really...

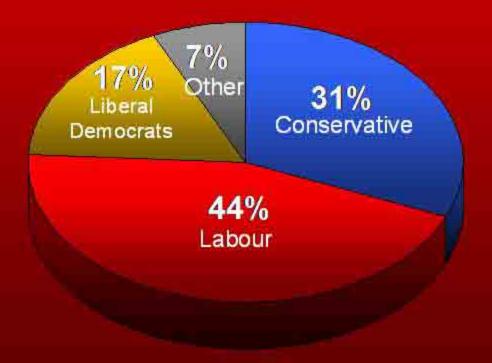
Change in lead, divide by two,

Or...

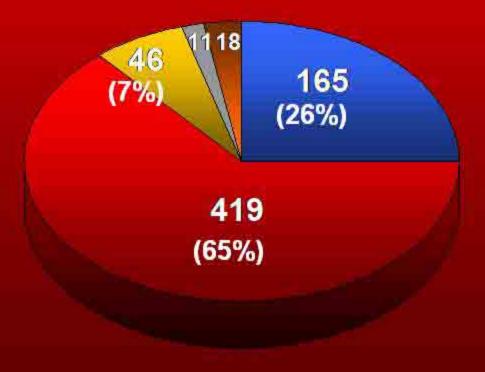
Difference between two groups, divide by two

1997: Labour's Landslide (179 majority)





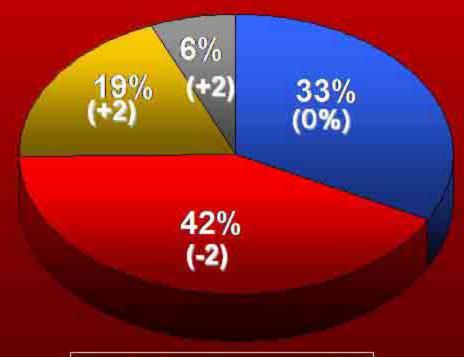
Number of Seats



Source: "Explaining Labour's Landslip", Worcester, Mortimore & Baines

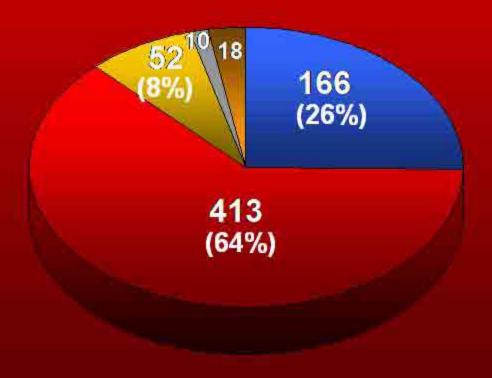
2001: Labour's Second Landslide (167 Majority)





L-C Swing = 1%

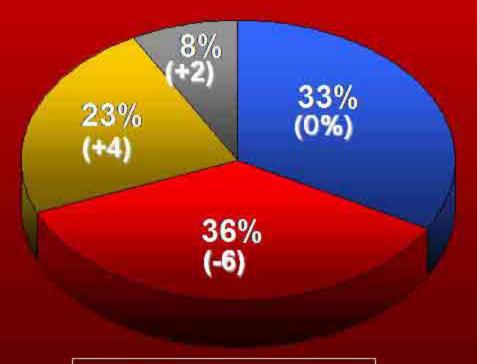
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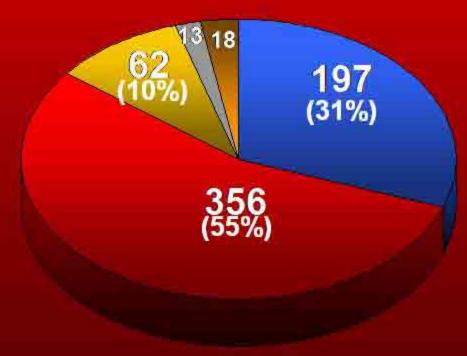
2005: Labour's Landslip - Majority (67)





L-C Swing = 3%

Seats



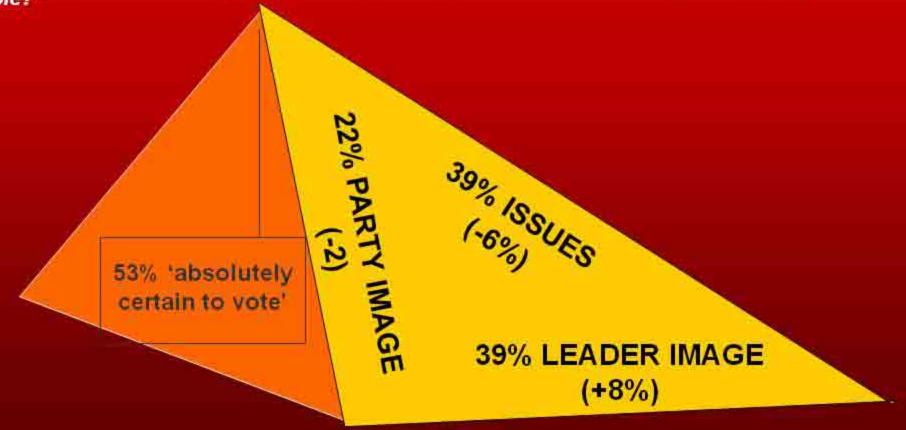
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Electoral Arithmetic

- Core vote for Labour 30% (tested 1983 & 2010)
- Core vote for Tories 30% (tested 1997)
- Core vote for Others 25% (tested 1989 & 2010)
- Total 85%
- Floating Voters = 15%
- Marginal Constituencies = 20%
- 15% x 20% = 3% 'floating voters' x c. 29.6 million voters (65% of 45 million electorate) = c. 900,000

The Political Triangle© 2010 General Election

Q "I want you to think about what it is that most attracted you to the ... party. Some people are attracted mainly by the policies of the party, some by the leaders of the party and some because they identify with the party as a whole. If you had a total of ten points to allocate according to how important each of these was to you, how many points would you allocate to the leaders of the party you intend voting for, how many to its policies, and how many to the party as a whole?"



Values

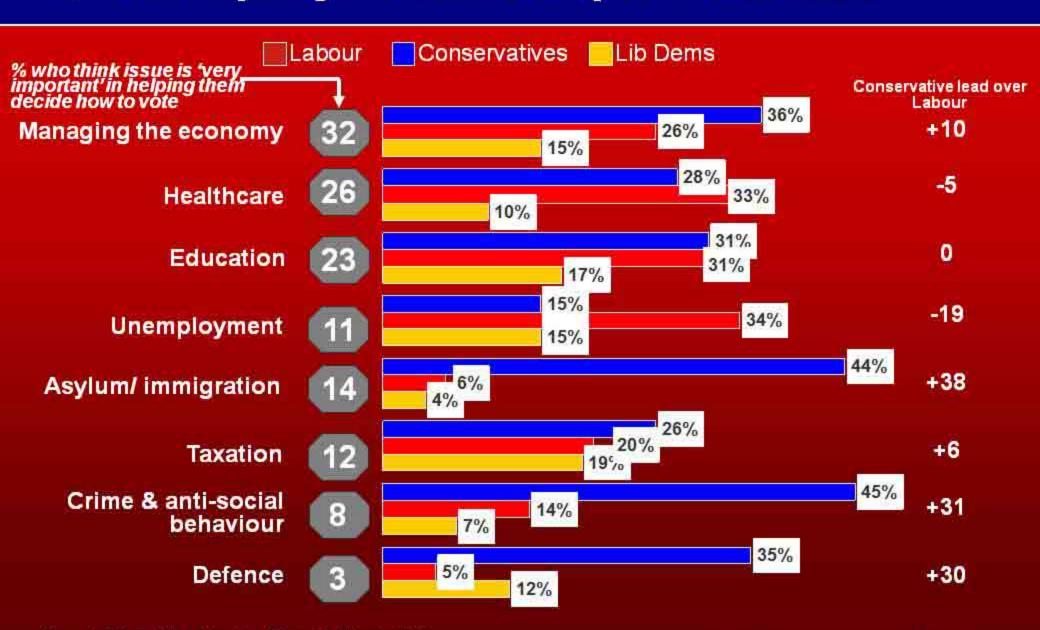
Base: 1,210 British adults 18+, 19-22 February 2010

Source: Ipsos MORI/Observer

Four reasons issues don't "bite"

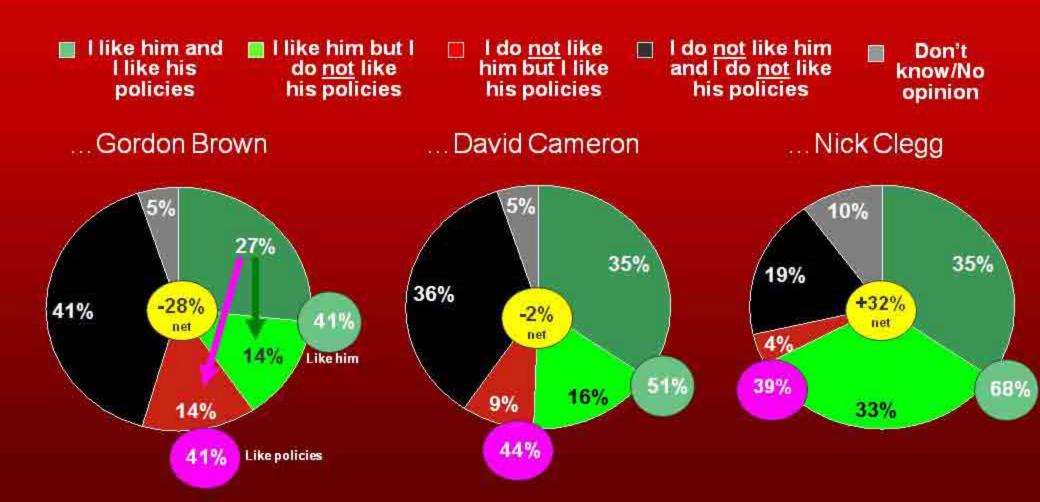
- Salience (of the issue)
- Differentiation (between parties)
- Will (to implement policy)
- Power (to do so)

Q "Which party has the best policies on ...?"



Like/Dislike Him/Policies: Clegg wins on Points

Q "Which of these statements comes closest to your view of ...?"

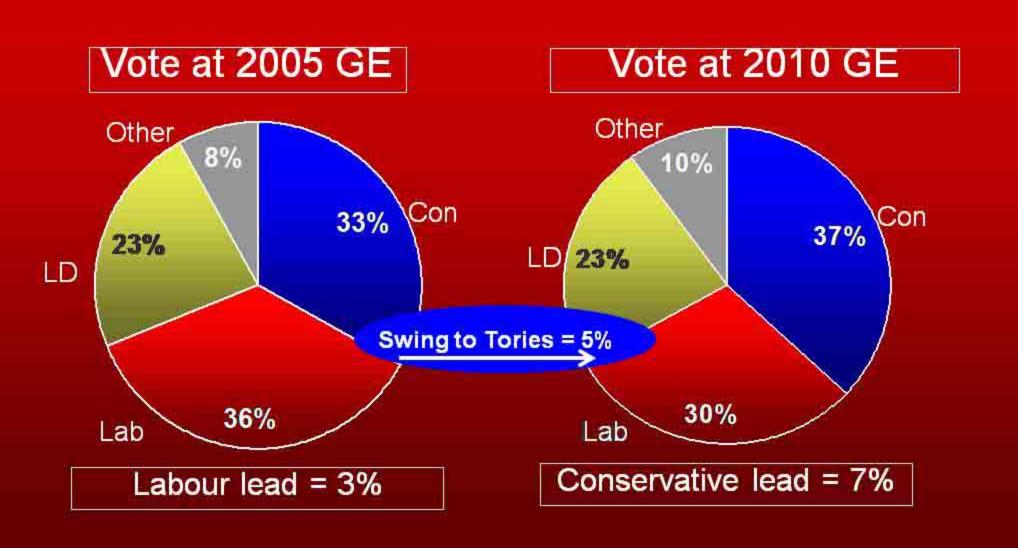


The British General Election Results

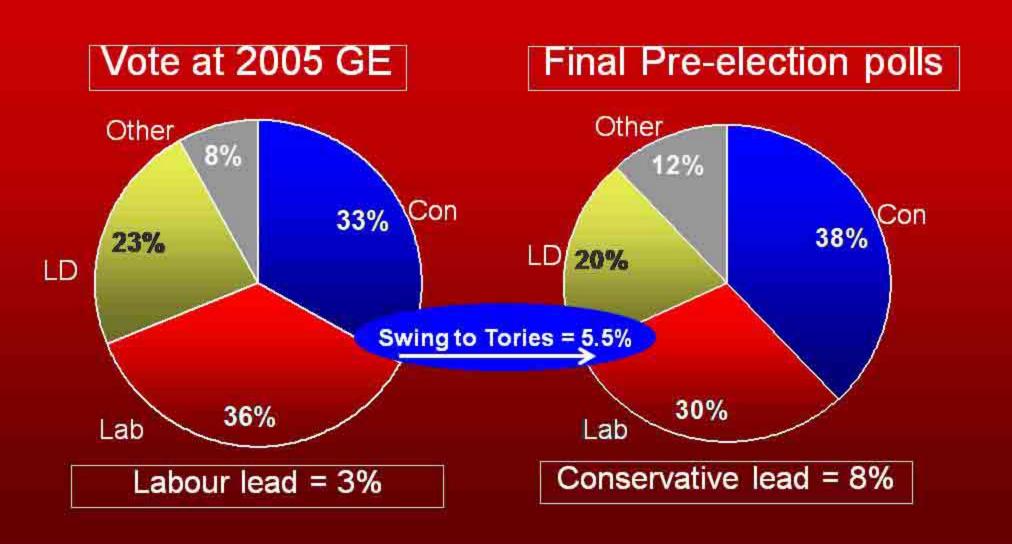
Background on the UK Election: 6 May 2010

- UK currently has a "First Past The Post" Parliamentary electoral system, 650 seats across the country:
 - 533 England 59 Scotland 40 Wales 18 N.I.
- No fixed term elections: must be held at least every five years
- Labour party been in power since 1997, then ending 18 years of Tory rule
- Current electoral system "bias" to Labour party
- Labour's vote share has slipped at each election since 1997:
 - 1997 (44%) 2001 (42%) 2005 (36%)
- Conservatives enjoyed consistent poll lead over Labour throughout most of the Parliament
- Key events since 2005:
 - Brown takes over from Blair
 Expenses scandal
 - Wars in Iraq and then Afghanistan Economic crisis
 - Leaders' Debates

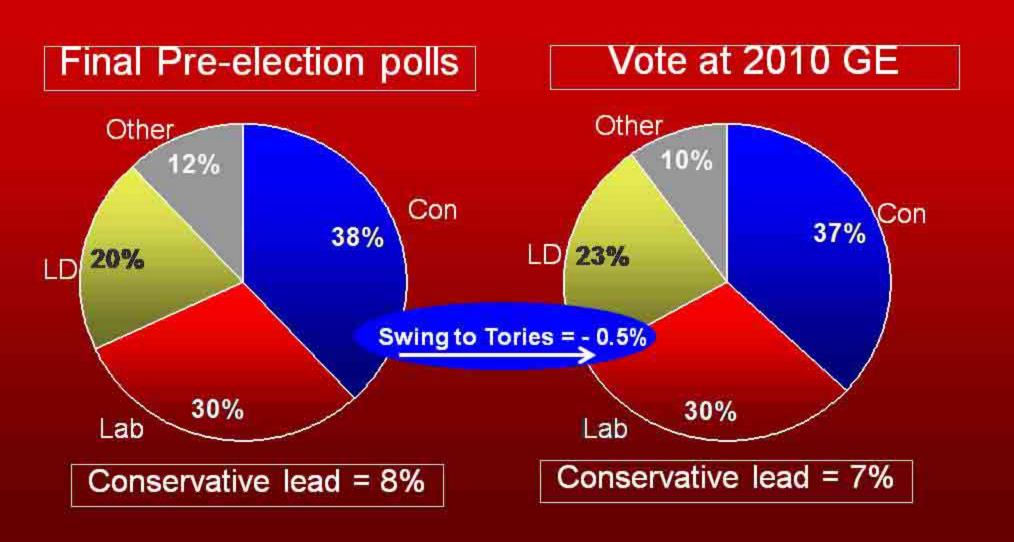
5% Swing from 2005 General Election



5.5% Swing from 2005 GE to start of 2010



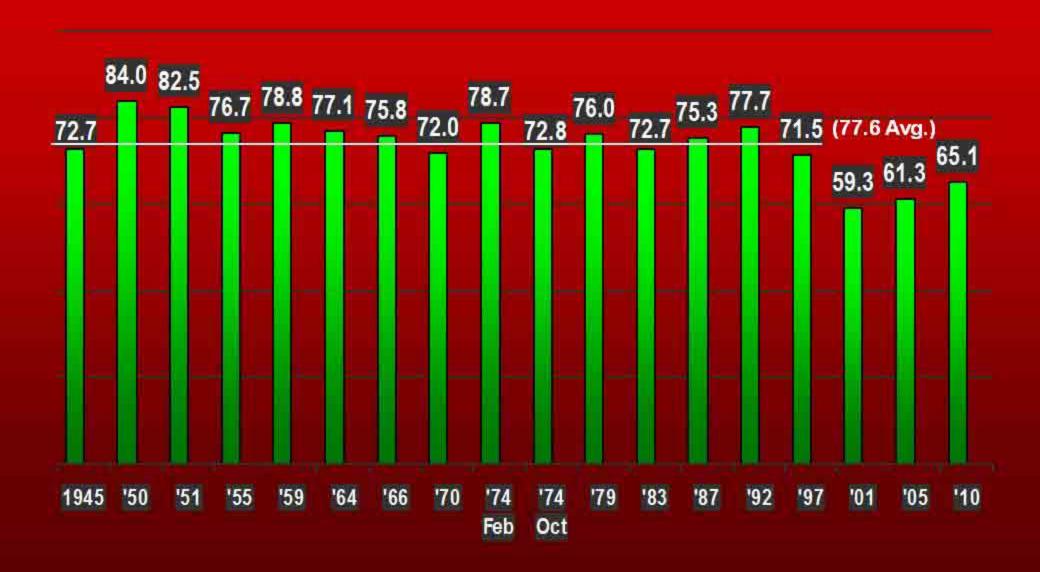
0.5% Swing during 2010 election campaign



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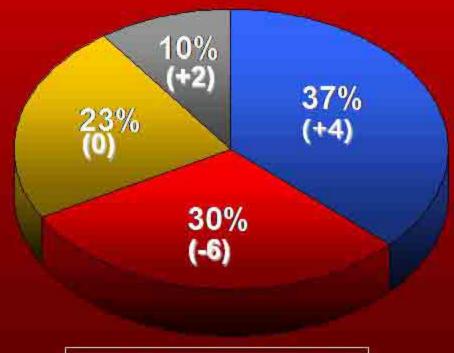
- 1. The Budget
- 2. The "Wild Card": the TV debates
- 3. The Marginals
- 4. The Turnout

General Election Turnout Since 1945



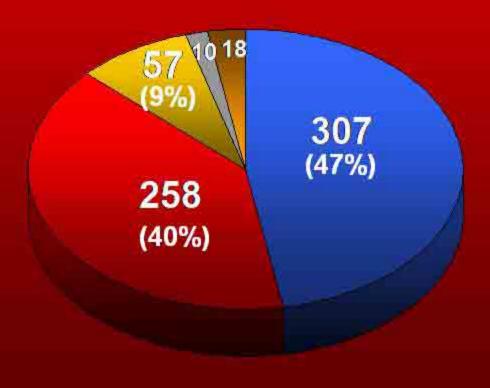
2010: Who Governs? No Overall Majority!







Seats



Source: BBC + Worcester

The London Results

London General Election Outcome

Party	Seats	Gain	Loss	Net	Votes	%	+/-%
Labour	38	1	7	-6	1,245,637	36.6	-2.3
Conservative	28	7	0	7	1,174,568	34.5	2.6
Liberal Democrat	7	1	1	0	751,561	22.1	0.2
UK Independence Party	0	0	0	0	59,452	1.7	0.3
Green	0	0	0	0	54,316	1.6	-1.1
British National Party	0	0	0	0	52,095	1.5	0.9
Respect-Unity Coalition	0	0	1	-1	17,368	0.5	-0.9
English Democrats	0	0	0	0	9,076	0.3	0.2
Christian Party	0	0	0	0	7,590	0.2	
Trade Unionist and Socialist Coalition	0	0	0	0	1,603	0	
Others	0	0	0	0	28,051	0.8	-0.2
				Turnout	3,401,317	64.6	7.2

National Results 29.6 million; London = 11.5%

National Turnout = 65.1%

London General Election Contrasted

		T/O%	Con%	Lab%	LD%	Oth%	ConChang	abChang	LDChange	Oth change	L-Cswing
	LO	NDON:	GENE	RAL EL	ECTION	V 2010					
LONDON MAX		76.9	60.7%	71.6%	54.4%	23.0%	+11.1	+18.0	+13.1	+8.5	10.6
LONDON MEA	N AVE	64.7	34.5%	37.2%	21.7%	6.5%	+3.3	-2.5	+0.2	-1.0	2.9
LONDON MIN		53.3	11.2%	5.0%	8.2%	1.2%	-4.2	-13.4	-15.8	-20.7	-8.2
		GRE	AT BRI	TAIN: G	ENER/	AL ELEC	TION 2	010			
GB MAX (CON	TESTE	D SEA	62.8%	72.0%	62.0%	100.0%	+16.7	+20.1	+25.0	+96.6	14.4
 GB MEAN AVE	RAGE	65.1	35.7%	31.0%	23.2%	7.5%	+3.9	-6.5	+0.9	+1.6	5.1
GB MIN (CONT	ESTE	SEA1	4.4%	2.2%	5.0%	0.7%	-8.1	-23.9	-15.8	-77.9	-8.2
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London General Election Turnout

Highest Ten Turnout

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Constituency	Held	Status	Turnout%	Con%	Lab%	LD%	Oth%	ConChange	LabChange	LDChange
Richmond Park	Con	gain from LDem	76.9	49.7%	5.0%	42.8%	2.5%	+10.1	-4.2	-3.8
Twickenham	LDem	hold	74.8	34.1%	7.7%	54.4%	3.9%	+1.7	-3.7	+2.7
Ealing Central & Acton	Con	gain from Lab	74.3	38.0%	30.1%	27.6%	4.2%	+6.8	-3.2	-3.0
Sutton & Cheam	LDem	hold	72.8	42.5%	7.0%	45.8%	4.8%	+1.8	-4.9	-1.1
Orpington	Con	hold	72.2	59.9%	9.0%	24.6%	6.4%	+8.7	+3.1	-15.8
Wimbledon	Con	hold	72.1	49.1%	22.3%	25.0%	3.7%	+7.7	-13.4	+6.8
Beckenham	Con	hold	72.0	57.9%	14.5%	20.6%	7.1%	-1.8	-4.9	+4.5
Ruislip, Northwood & Pinner	Con	hold	70.8	57.5%	19.5%	16.6%	6.3%	+2.8	-4.5	+0.3
Ealing Southall	Lab	hold	70.8	30.1%	52.0%	15.1%	2.9%	+11.1	-5.3	-3.2
Kingston & Surbiton	LDem	hold	70.4	36.5%	9.3%	49.8%	4.3%	+3.5	-3.8	-1.3
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Lowest Ten Turnout

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Lab	hold	58.9	13.5%	55.7%	22.4%	8.3%	-0.2	+3.0	+1.1
Con	gain from Lab	58.8	42.3%	42.1%	12.4%	3.2%	+5.2	-3.0	-1.7
Lab	hold	58.2	14.9%	59.3%	17.7%	8.1%	+1.4	+1.4	+0.9
Lab	hold	57.7	21.7%	50.1%	25.3%	2.9%	+7.1	-1.6	-1.9
LDem	hold	57.5	17.1%	29.2%	48.4%	5.3%	+4.1	-2.4	+0.7
Lab	hold	55.6	15.4%	71.6%	11.8%	1.2%	+1.7	+18.0	+1.0
Con	hold	55.5	52.4%	22.3%	20.6%	4.7%	+4.2	-3.0	+2.1
Lab	hold	55.0	14.7%	62.7%	11.5%	11.2%	+2.6	+10.9	+1.3
Con	hold	53.3	50.1%	25.5%	19.6%	4.8%	+6.2	4.1	-0.6
	Lab Lab LDem Lab Con Lab	Lab hold Con gain from Lab Lab hold Lab hold LDem hold Lab hold Con hold Lab hold	Lab hold 58.9 Con gain from Lab 58.8 Lab hold 58.2 Lab hold 57.7 LDem hold 57.5 Lab hold 55.6 Con hold 55.5 Lab hold 55.0	Lab hold 58.9 13.5% Con gain from Lab 58.8 42.3% Lab hold 58.2 14.9% Lab hold 57.7 21.7% LDem hold 57.5 17.1% Lab hold 55.6 15.4% Con hold 55.5 52.4% Lab hold 55.0 14.7%	Lab hold 58.9 13.5% 55.7% Con gain from Lab 58.8 42.3% 42.1% Lab hold 58.2 14.9% 59.3% Lab hold 57.7 21.7% 50.1% LDem hold 57.5 17.1% 29.2% Lab hold 55.6 15.4% 71.6% Con hold 55.5 52.4% 22.3% Lab hold 55.0 14.7% 62.7%	Lab hold 58.9 13.5% 55.7% 22.4% Con gain from Lab 58.8 42.3% 42.1% 12.4% Lab hold 58.2 14.9% 59.3% 17.7% Lab hold 57.7 21.7% 50.1% 25.3% LDem hold 57.5 17.1% 29.2% 48.4% Lab hold 55.6 15.4% 71.6% 11.8% Con hold 55.5 52.4% 22.3% 20.6% Lab hold 55.0 14.7% 62.7% 11.5%	Lab hold 58.9 13.5% 55.7% 22.4% 8.3% Con gain from Lab 58.8 42.3% 42.1% 12.4% 3.2% Lab hold 58.2 14.9% 59.3% 17.7% 8.1% Lab hold 57.7 21.7% 50.1% 25.3% 2.9% LDem hold 57.5 17.1% 29.2% 48.4% 5.3% Lab hold 55.6 15.4% 71.6% 11.8% 1.2% Con hold 55.5 52.4% 22.3% 20.6% 4.7% Lab hold 55.0 14.7% 62.7% 11.5% 11.2%	Lab hold 58.9 13.5% 55.7% 22.4% 8.3% -0.2 Con gain from Lab 58.8 42.3% 42.1% 12.4% 3.2% +5.2 Lab hold 58.2 14.9% 59.3% 17.7% 8.1% +1.4 Lab hold 57.7 21.7% 50.1% 25.3% 2.9% +7.1 LDem hold 57.5 17.1% 29.2% 48.4% 5.3% +4.1 Lab hold 55.6 15.4% 71.6% 11.8% 1.2% +1.7 Con hold 55.5 52.4% 22.3% 20.6% 4.7% +4.2 Lab hold 55.0 14.7% 62.7% 11.5% 11.2% +2.6	Lab hold 58.9 13.5% 55.7% 22.4% 8.3% -0.2 +3.0 Con gain from Lab 58.8 42.3% 42.1% 12.4% 3.2% +5.2 -3.0 Lab hold 58.2 14.9% 59.3% 17.7% 8.1% +1.4 +1.4 Lab hold 57.7 21.7% 50.1% 25.3% 2.9% +7.1 -1.6 LDem hold 57.5 17.1% 29.2% 48.4% 5.3% +4.1 -2.4 Lab hold 55.6 15.4% 71.6% 11.8% 1.2% +1.7 +18.0 Con hold 55.5 52.4% 22.3% 20.6% 4.7% +4.2 -3.0 Lab hold 55.0 14.7% 62.7% 11.5% 11.2% +2.6 +10.9

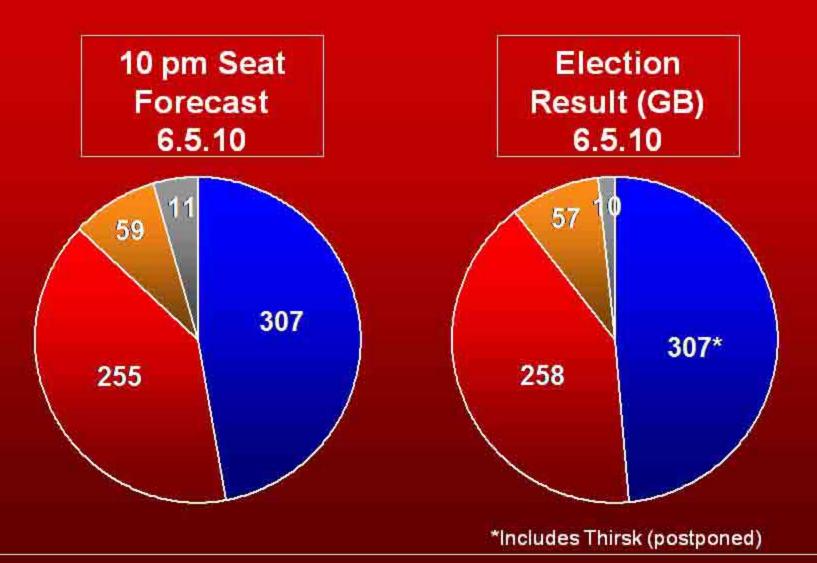
London General Election Tory Seats

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Constituency	Held	Status	Turnout%	Con%	Lab%	Ш%	0th%	ConChange	LabChange	LDChange	Oth change	Lab-Con swing
Wimbledon	Con	hold	72.1	49.1%	22.3%	25.0%	3.7%	+ 7.7	-13.4	+6.8	3.1	10.6
Putney	Con	hold	64.4	52.0%	27.4%	16.9%	3.6%	+9.7	-10.2	+0.6	-0.1	9.9
Bromley & Chislehurst	Con	hold	67.3	54.0%	16.7%	22.1%	7.2%	+9.0	-1.1	-1.6	+0.3	8.4
Ealing Southall	Lab	hold	70.8	30.1%	52.0%	15.1%	2.9%	+11.1	-5.3	-3.2	-2.7	8.2
Enfield Southgate	Con	hold	69.2	49.6%	32.4%	13.9%	4.1%	+ 5.8	-8.8	+2.9	+0.1	7.3
Richmond Park	Con	gain from LDem	76.9	49.7%	5.0%	42.8%	2.5%	+10.1	-4.2	-3.8	-2.1	7.2
Hornchurch & Upminster	Con	hold	68.0	51.4%	20.8%	13.9%	13.9%	+3.9	-10.3	+5.4	+1.0	7.1
Harrow East	Con	gain from Lab	70.0	44.7%	37.6%	14.3%	3.5%	+6.1	-7.9	+0.1	+1.7	7.0
Hampstead & Kilburn	Lab	hold	66.3	32.7%	32.8%	31.2%	3.2%	+9.8	-3.5	-4.0	-2.3	6.7
Old Bexley & Sidcup	Con	hold	69.3	54.8%	19.5%	15.6%	10.2%	+4.8	-8.5	+1.7	+2.0	6.6
Battersea	Con	gain from Lab	65.7	47.3%	35.1%	14.7%	2.8%	+7.5	-5.6	+0.3	-2.2	6.5
Erith & Thamesmead	Lab	hold	60.8	31.8%	45.4%	12.2%	10.6%	+5.3	-7.2	-0.7	+2.6	6.3
Chelsea & Fulham	Con	hold	60.1	60.7%	18.6%	16.3%	4.4%	+ 5.5	-6.9	+2.3	-0.9	6.2
Brentford & Isleworth	Con	gain from Lab	64.4	37.4%	33.7%	23.8%	5.1%	+6.7	-5.2	+0.8	-2.2	6.0
Bexleyheath & Crayford	Con	hold	66.5	51.0%	26.8%	12.9%	9.3%	+4.5	-7.4	-0.2	+3.1	5.9

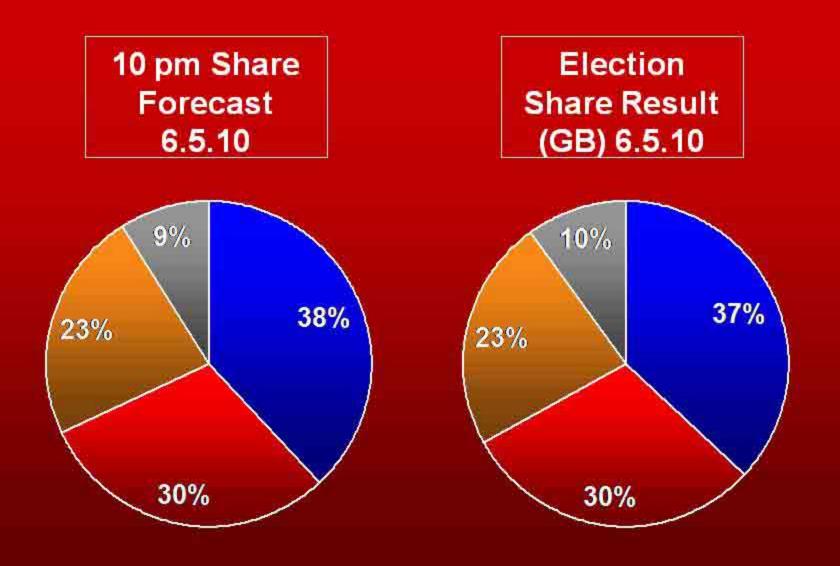
What happened

What did the seat forecast say? What happened?



Base: c. 17,000+ British Voters, 6 May 2010 Source: Ipsos MORI/ GfkNOP for BBC/ITV/Sky

What did the exit polls say? What happened?



Source: Ipsos MORI/ GfkNOP for BBC/ITV/Sky

What Happened on 6th May 2010 in Britain?

Ipsos MORI PRELIMINA	RY* ANALYSIS®		Vote	2005	" "	Lab		Vote	2010		Con Change since			ce '05	
07 05 10	Base: Voters (n =	Con	Lab	LD	Other	Lead	Con	Lab	LD	Other		and the same of			Swing
Total 'n' = 2,536	1,481)	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%				(g+I)/2
All:		33	36	23	8	3	37	30	23	10	7	+4	-6	0	5.0
Gender:	Men	34	34	22	10	*	37	28	24	12	9	+3	-6	+2	4.5
	Women	32	38	23	7	6	37	32	23	8	5	+5	-6	0	5.5
Age:	18-24	28	38	26	8	10	31	34	28	7	જ	+3	4	+2	3.5
	25-34	25	38	27	10	13	34	29	29	7	5	+9	-9	+2	9.0
	35-44	27	41	23	9	14	34	31	27	9	3	+7	-10	+4	8.5
	45-54	31	35	25	9	4	36	29	25	11	7	+5	-6	0	5.5
5	55-64	39	31	22	8	-8	38	24	23	14	14	-1	-7	+1	3.0
	65+	41	35	18	6	-6	43	32	15	10	11	+2	-3	-3	2.5
Men by Age:	18-24	33	34	25	8	1	35	36	23	7	-1	+2	+2	-2	0.0
	25-34	29	33	27	-11	4	40	23	32	5	17	+11	-10	+5	10.5
Q0	35-54	31	36	22	11	5	34	28	25	12	6	+3	-8	+3	5.5
U.	55+	40	33	20	7	-7	39	27	18	15	12	-1	-6	-2	2.5
Women by Age:	18-24	22	43	26	9	21	25	33	36	6	-8	+3	-10	+10	6.5
	25-34	21	43	28	8	22	27	37	25	10	-10	+6	-6	-3	6.0
	35-54	27	40	25	8	13	35	32	26	7	3	+8	-8	+1	8.0
	55+	41	34	20	5	-7	44	30	19	8	14	+3	4	-1	3.5
Social class:	AB	37	28	29	6	-9	36	29	28	7	7	-1	+1	-1	-1.0
01	C1	37	32	23	8	-5	42	26	26	6	16	+5	-6	+3	5.5
	C2	33	40	19	8	7	39	22	24	15	17	+6	-18	+5	12.0
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Men by Class:	AB	37	27	28	8	-10	41	26	26	7	15	+4	-1	-2	2.5
	C1	39	29	22	10	-10	42	26	25	7	16	+3	-3	+3	3.0
	C2	32	39	18	11	7	30	26	27	17	4	-2	-13	+9	5.5
1	DE	24	47	17	12	23	27	37	17	19	-10	+3	-10	0	6.5
Women by Class:	AB	36	29	29	6	-7	30	32	30	8	-2	-6	+3	+1	4.5
	C1	34	35	23	8	1	42	27	27	5	15	+8	-8	+4	8.0
	C2	34	40	20	6	6	49	19	20	13	30	+15	-21	0	18.0
	DE	25	49	18	8	24	29	50	13	8	-21	+4	+1	-5	1.5
Housing tenure:	Owned	44	29	20	7	-15	46	25	19	10	21	+2	4	-1	3.0
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	Social renter	16	55	19	10	39	20	49	20	11	-29	+4	-6	+1	5.0
	Private renter	27	36	28	9	9	35	25	27	12	10	+8	-11	-1	9.5
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What Happened on 6th May 2010 in Britain?

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	Daily Daily The

	All	Daily Mail	Daily Mirror	Daily Telegra ph	The Guardian	The Sun	The Times
Rase size	15 948	2 362	1 450	1.064	856	2.467	949

57%

22%

14%

-0.4

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-47.0

6.0

Source: MORI Election 2005 Readership Aggregate (w eighted to final results), 15,948

Source: Ipsos MORI Election Preliminary Analysis (w eighted to final results), 2,536

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ELECTION 2010 - VOTING BEHAVIOUR (Preliminary)

65%

13%

17%

-0.5

73

10

10

-63.0

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113

11%

67%

17%

55%

18

62

14

44

5.5

102

7%

43%

41%

36%

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45

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32

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138

33%

45%

12%

12%

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25

19

-23.0

17.5

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Conservative

Labour Lead

Base size

Labour

Conservative

Liberal Democrats

Conservative Lead

Swing to Conservatives

Liberal Democrats

Labour

33%

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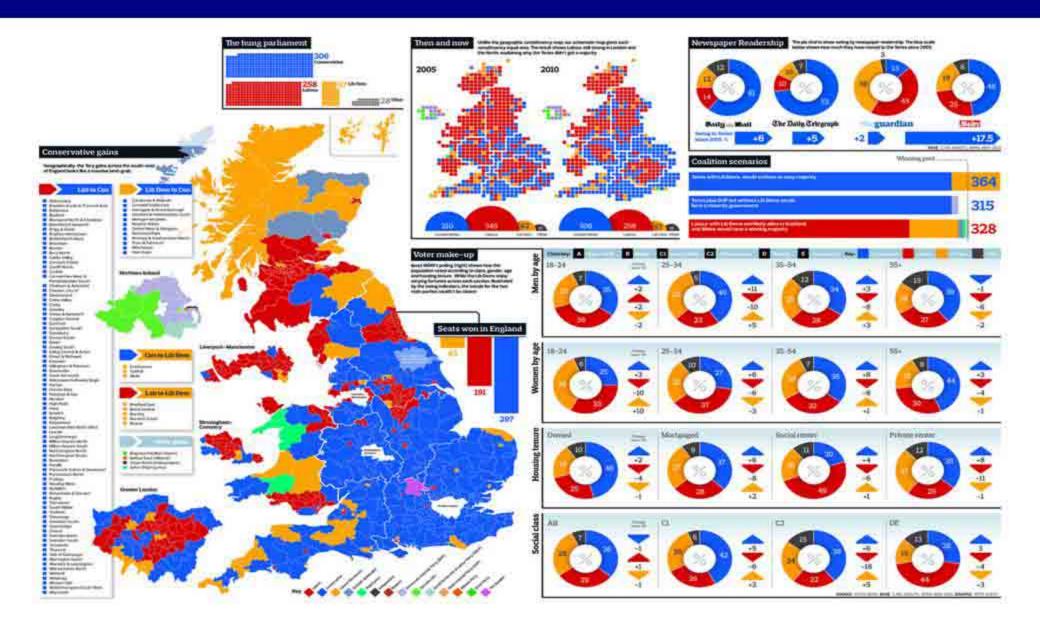
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How it appeared in the Observer 9.5.10



How the polls did

	Con	Lab	LibDem	Other	Average Error
	%	%	%	%	%
Angus Reid	36	24	29	11	3.25
Com Res	37	28	28	7	2.25
Harris	35	29	27	10	1.5
ICM	36	28	26	10	1.25
Ipsos MORI	36	29	27	8	1.75
Opinium	35	27	26	12	2.25
Populus	37	28	27	8	1.75
TNS BMRB	33	27	29	11	3.25
YouGov	35	28	28	9	2.25
Actual Result	37	30	24	10	:

Source: British Polling Council

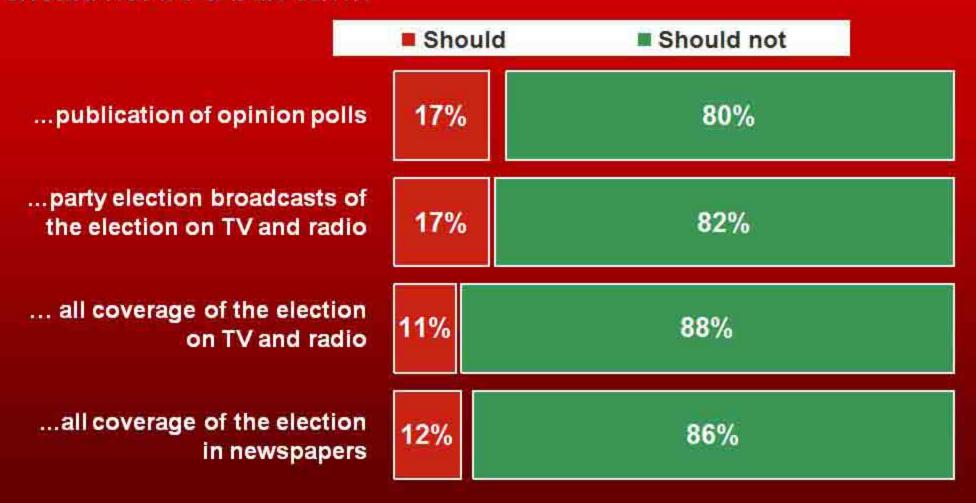
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Now this

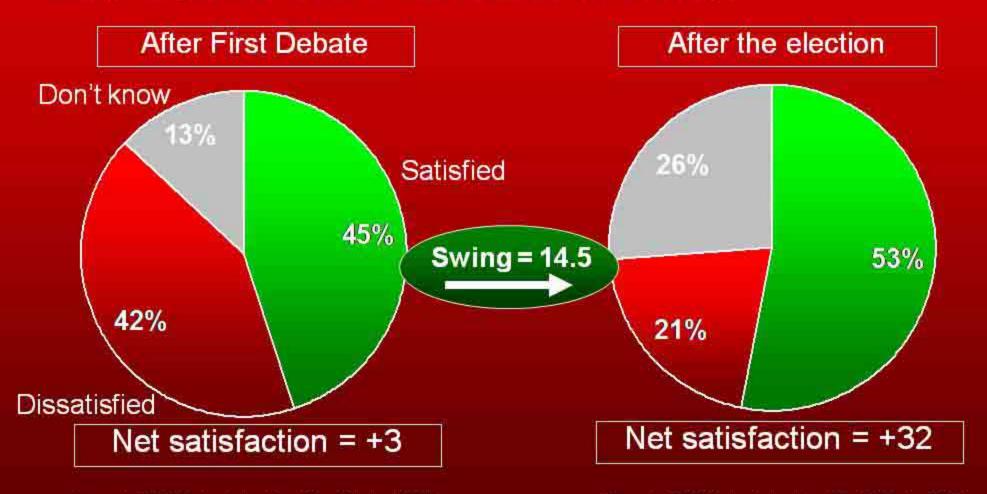




Post Election?

Satisfaction with David Cameron

Q "Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way David Cameron is doing his job as leader of the Conservative Party?"



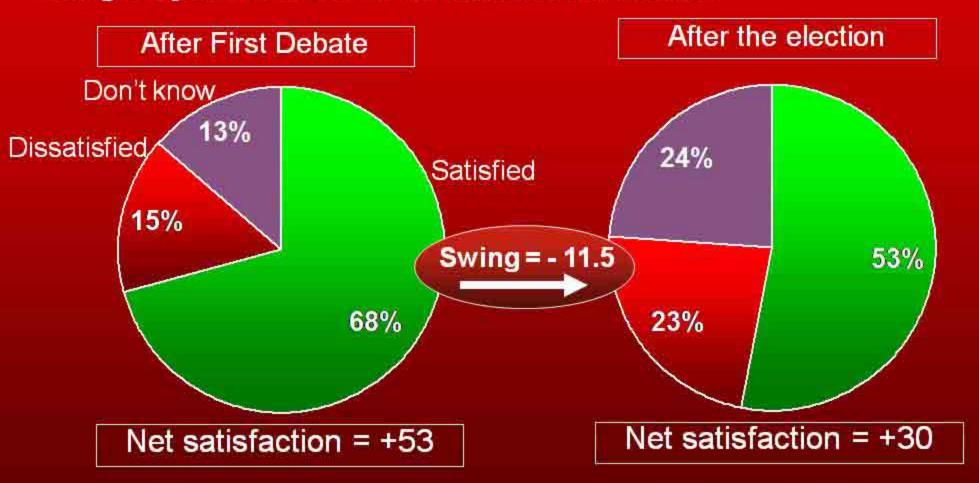
Base 1,253 British adults 18+, 18th-19th April 2010

Base: 1,023 British adults 18+, 12th-13th May 2010

Source. Ipsos MORI/News of the World

Satisfaction with Nick Clegg

Q "Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way Nick Clegg is doing his job as leader of the Liberal Democrats?

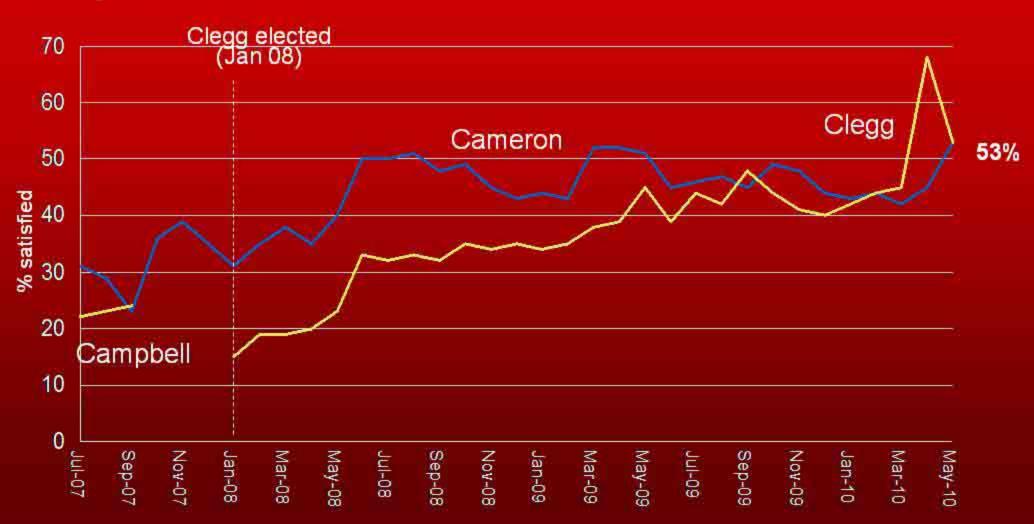


Base 1,253 British adults 18+, 18th-19th April 2010

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Satisfaction with Party leaders July-07 – May-10

Q "Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way ... doing his job as ... ?"

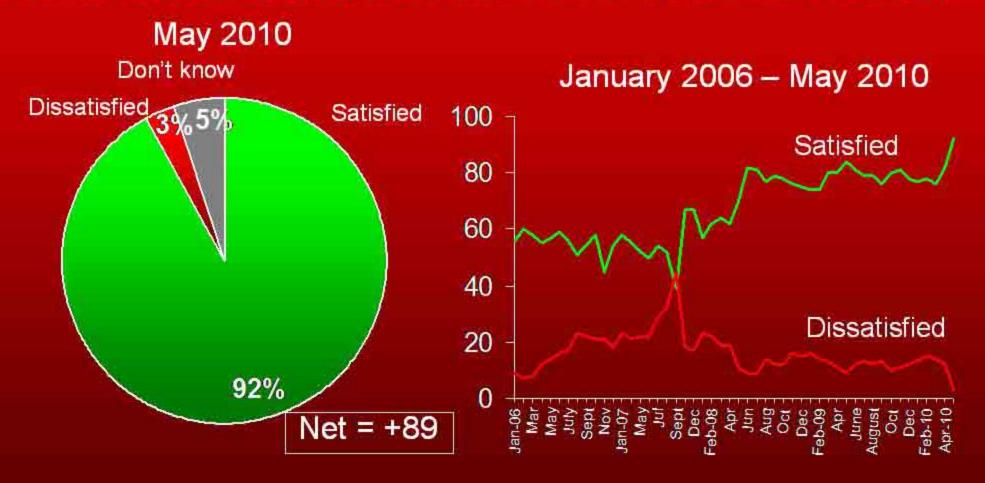


Base c 1,000 British adults each month

Source Ipsos MORI/News of the World

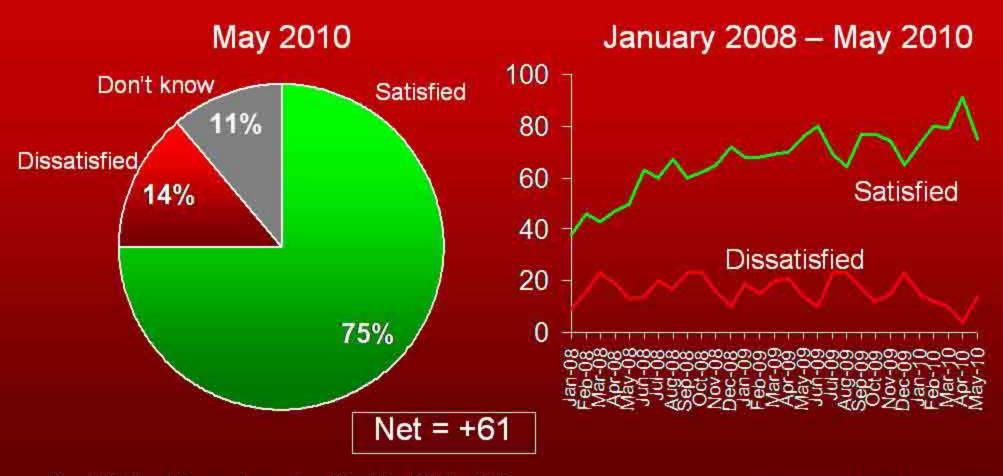
David Cameron (satisfaction among Tory supporters)

Q "Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way David Cameron is doing his job as leader of the Conservative Party?"



Nick Clegg (satisfaction among Lib Dem supporters)

Q "Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way Nick Clegg is doing his job as leader of the Liberal Democrats?"



Base: 202 Liberal Democrat supporters 18+, 12th - 13th May 2010

Source Ipsos MORI/News of the World

Hung Parliament

More think no overall majority is a good thing now than did before the election

Q "Do you think it will be a good think or a bad thing for the country that no party achieved an overall majority?"



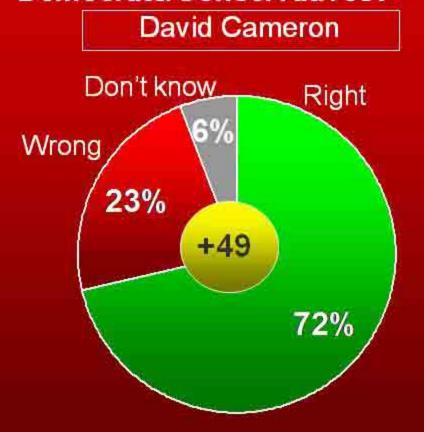
Base: 1,216 British adults 18+, 5th May 2010
*Asked as: "Do you think it will be a good think or a bad thing for

the country if no party achieves an overall majority?"

Base 1,023 British adults 18+, 12th-13th May 2010

Most think Cameron and Clegg were right to form a coalition

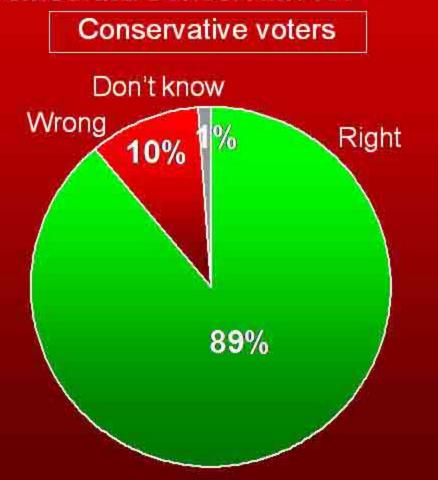
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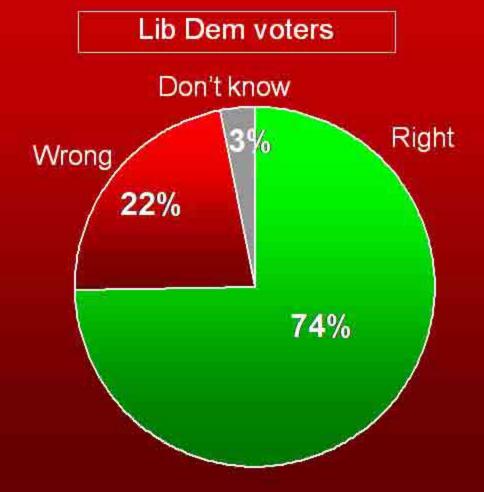




Conservatives are very positive about the coalition... ...Lib Dems are somewhat less positive

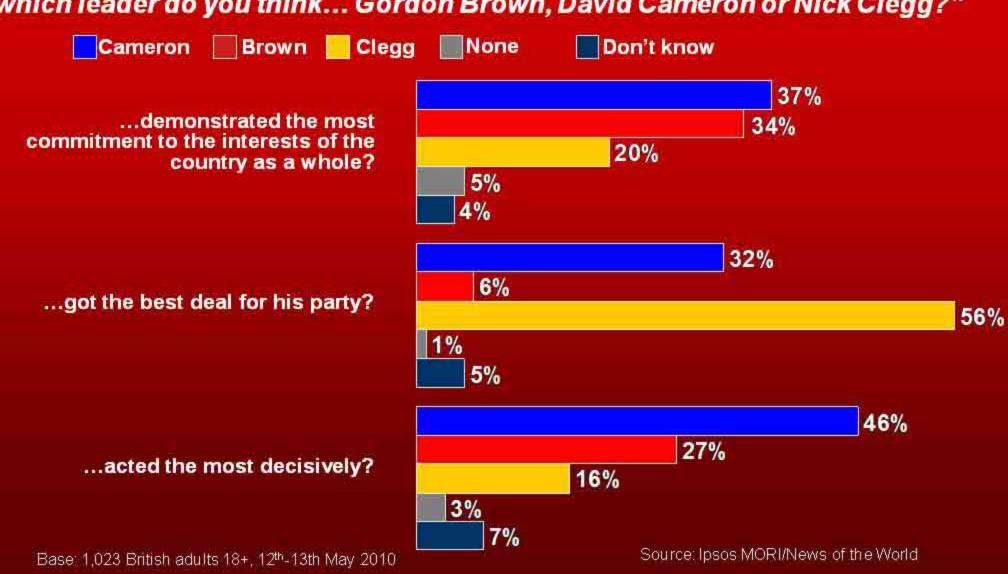
Q. "Do you think that David Cameron/Nick Clegg was right or wrong to form a coalition with the Liberal Democrats/Conservatives?"





Clegg seen to get best deal for his party while Cameron was most decisive

Q. "In the negotiations to form a government between the three main parties, which leader do you think... Gordon Brown, David Cameron or Nick Clegg?"



The new government

The new government seen to be good for the UK, but less good for people personally

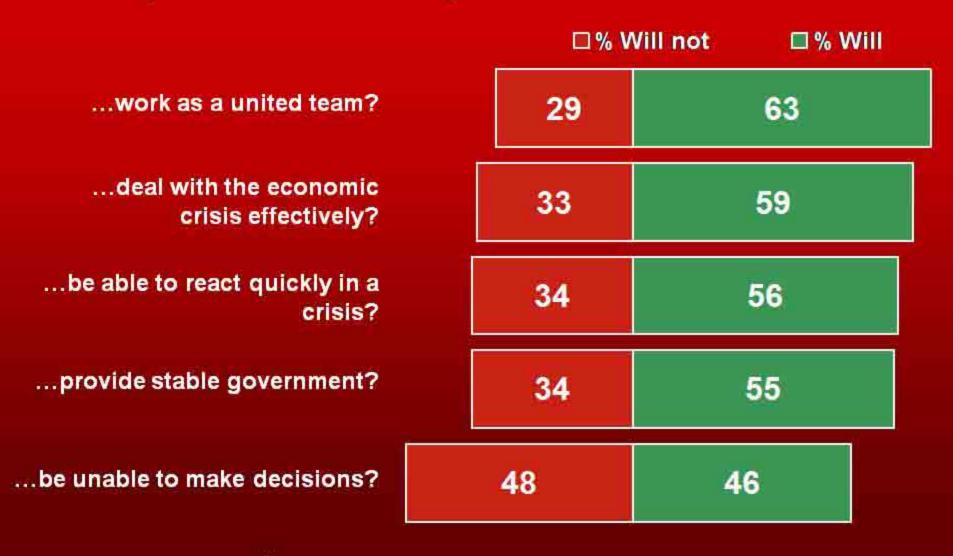
Q "Do you think that the new government will be a good thing or a bad thing..."



...for the Conservative Party? 27 62
...for the Liberal Democrat party? 30 61
...for the Labour party? 50 38

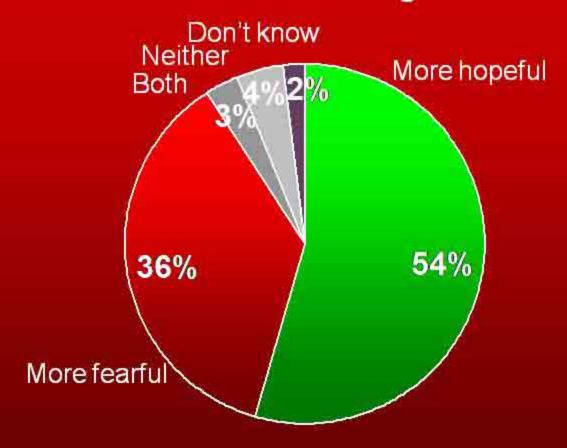
The public are optimistic about the new government

Q "Do you think that the new government will or will not..."



Most are hopeful of what the new government will do

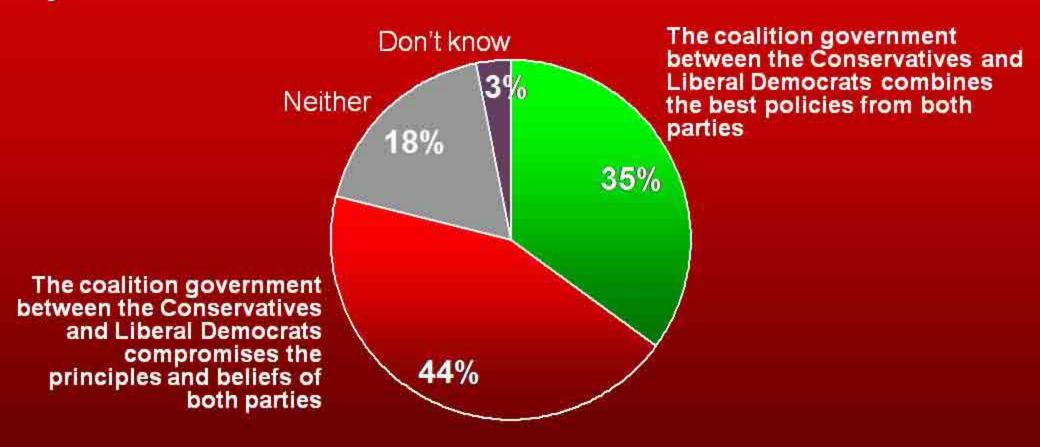
Q "On balance, would you describe yourself as feeling more hopeful or more fearful of what the new government will do?"



Base: 1,023 British adults 18+, 12th-13th May 2010

Coalition seen as a compromise rather than combination of best policies

Q "From what you know so far, which of these comes closes to your view?"



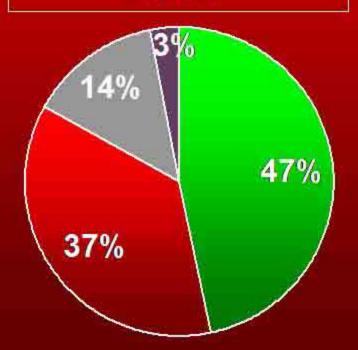
Source: Ipsos MORI/News of the World

Labour voters think the coalition is a compromise rather than a combination of the best policies

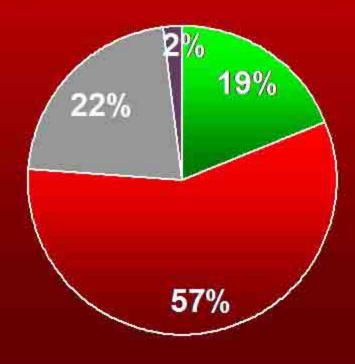
Q "From what you know so far, which of these comes closes to your view?"

- The coalition government between the Conservatives and Liberal Democrats combines the best policies from both parties
- The coalition government between the Conservatives and Liberal Democrats compromises the principles and beliefs of both parties
- Neither
 Don't know

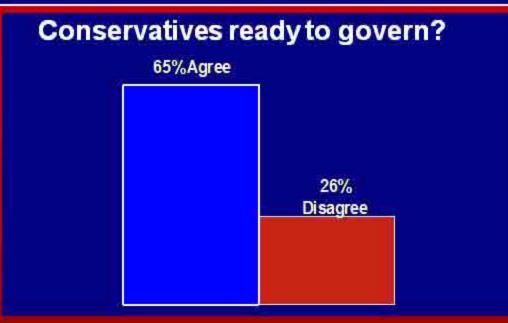


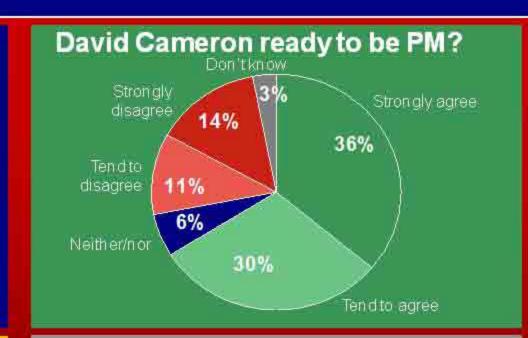


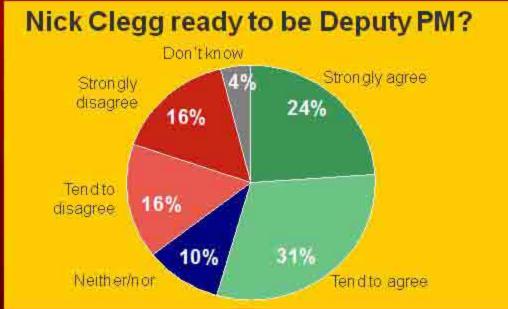
Labour voters

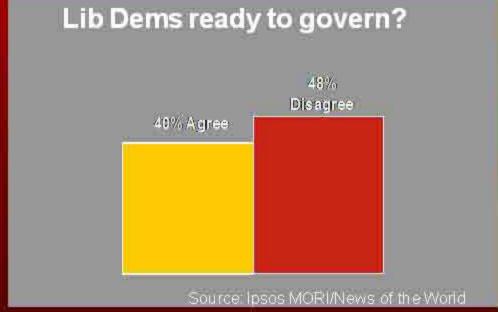


Overview: ready to govern?



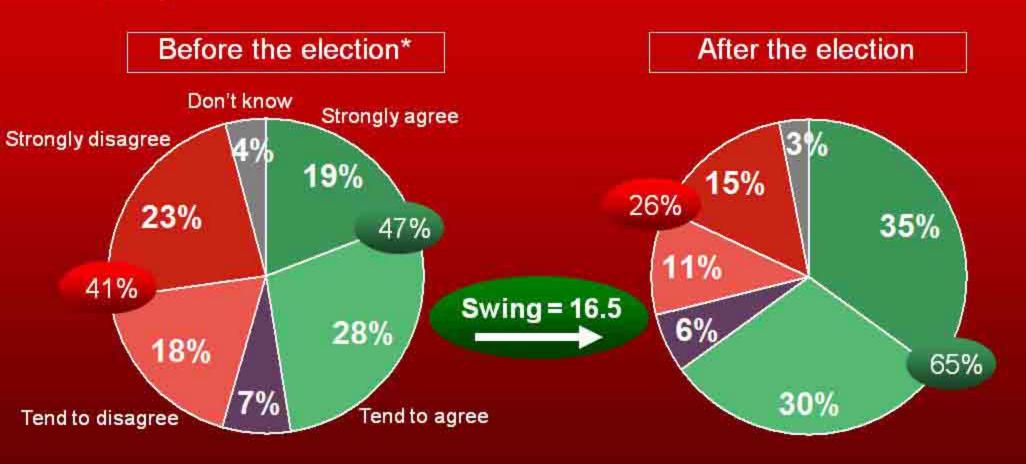






Conservatives seen to be ready to govern

Q "To what extent do you agree or disagree that the Conservatives are ready to govern?"



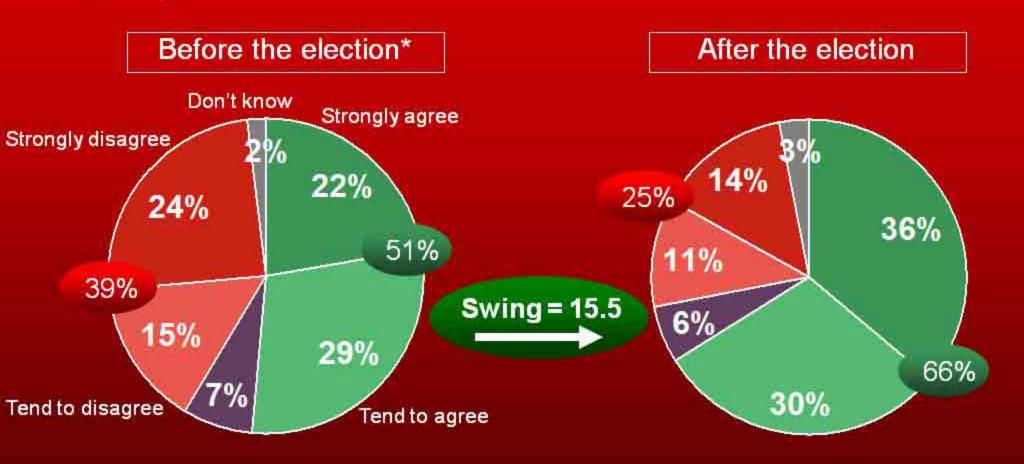
Base 1,216 British adults 18+, 5th May 2010

*Asked as: "To what extent do you agree or disagree that the Conservatives are ready to form the next government?" Base 1,023 British adults 18+, 12th-13th May 2010

Source: Ipsos MORI/News of the World

David Cameron is seen to be ready to be PM

Q "To what extent do you agree or disagree that the Conservatives are ready to govern?"

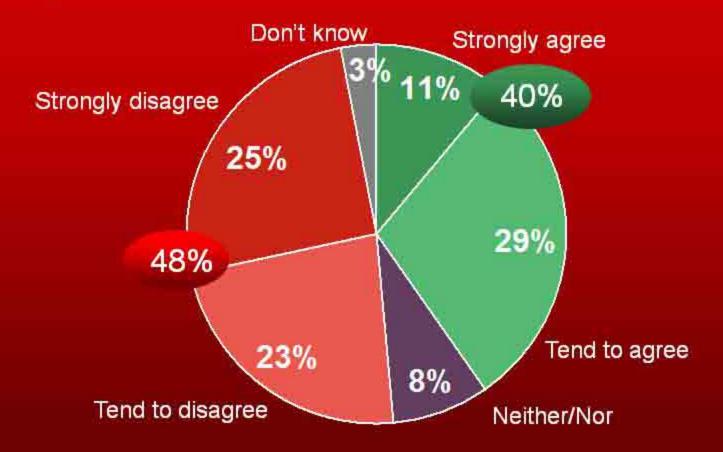


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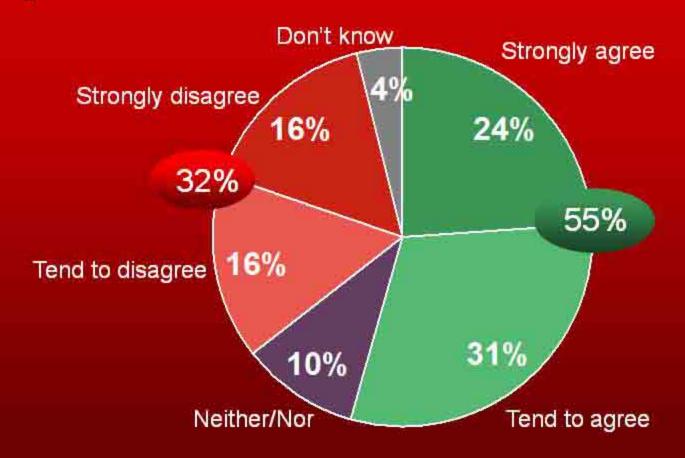
There are doubts over Lib Dem readiness to govern

Q "To what extent do you agree or disagree that the Liberal Democrats are ready to govern?"



But most think Clegg is ready to be Deputy PM

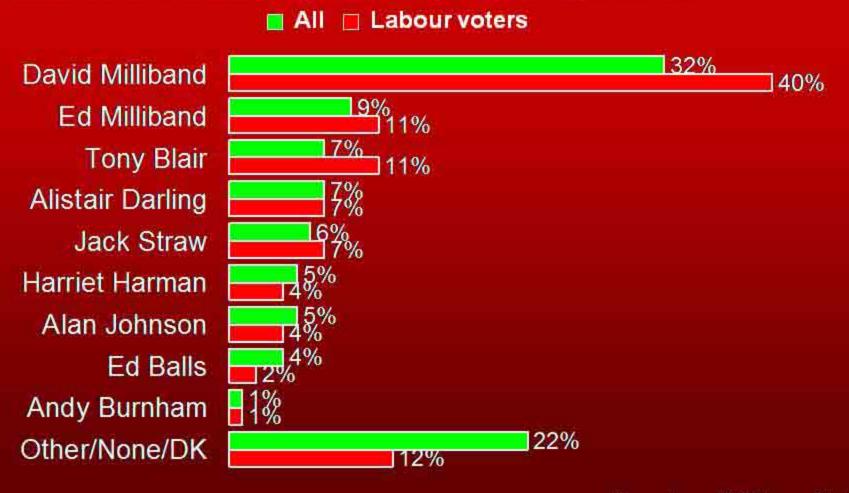
Q "To what extent do you agree or disagree that Nick Clegg is ready to be Deputy Prime Minister?"



Next Labour leader

David Milliband is favourite to be next Labour leader

Q "Given that Gordon Brown has stepped down as leader of the Labour Party, which one of the following politicians I am going to read out, if any, do you think would do the best job of leader the Labour Party?"

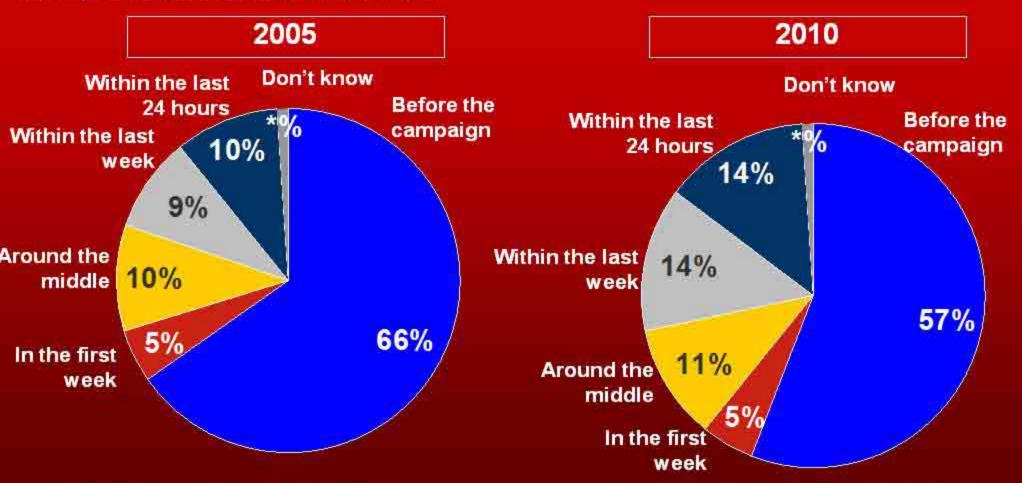


Source: Ipsos MORI/News of the World

The campaign

Increased number of people leaving it late to decide when to vote

Q "When did you decide which party to vote for? Was it before the campaign began, in the first week of the campaign, around the middle, within the last week, or within the last 24 hours?"



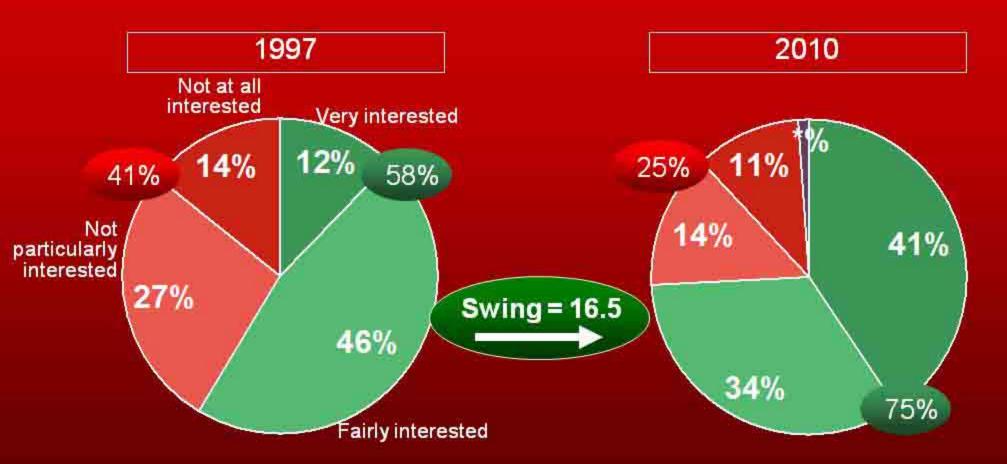
Base: 1,399 British electors, 5th - 10th May 2005

Base: 1,023 British adults 18+, 12th-13th May 2010

Source: Ipsos MORI/News of the World

Increased interest in the campaign

Q "Thinking back to the campaign, how interested would you say you were in news about the General Election?"

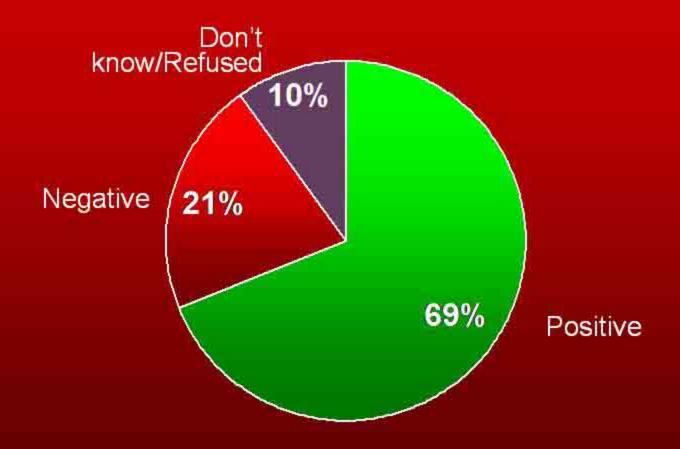


Base c 1,000 British adults 18+, 29th May 1997

Base 1,023 British adults 18+, 12th-13th May 2010

Voters are overwhelmingly positive about having debates during the campaign

Q "Whether or not you watched the debates, do you think that they were a positive of negative addition to the process?"



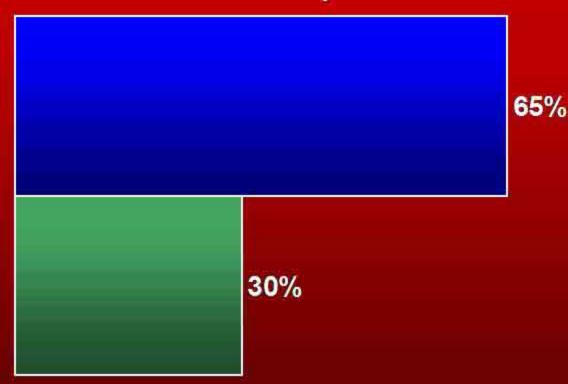
Encouraging investment is favoured over less regulation and free enterprise

Q "As I read each pair, please tell me whether the first statement or the second statement comes closer to your views, even if neither is exactly right"

% comes closest to your view

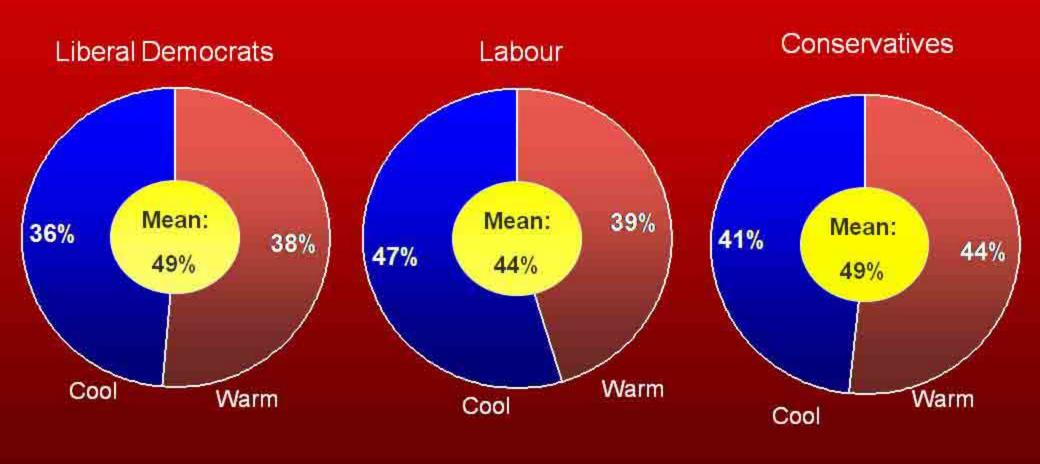
To get future economic growth, the British government will need to encourage investment in new industries and sectors

To get future economic growth, Britain will have to create an environment with less regulation and more freedom of enterprise



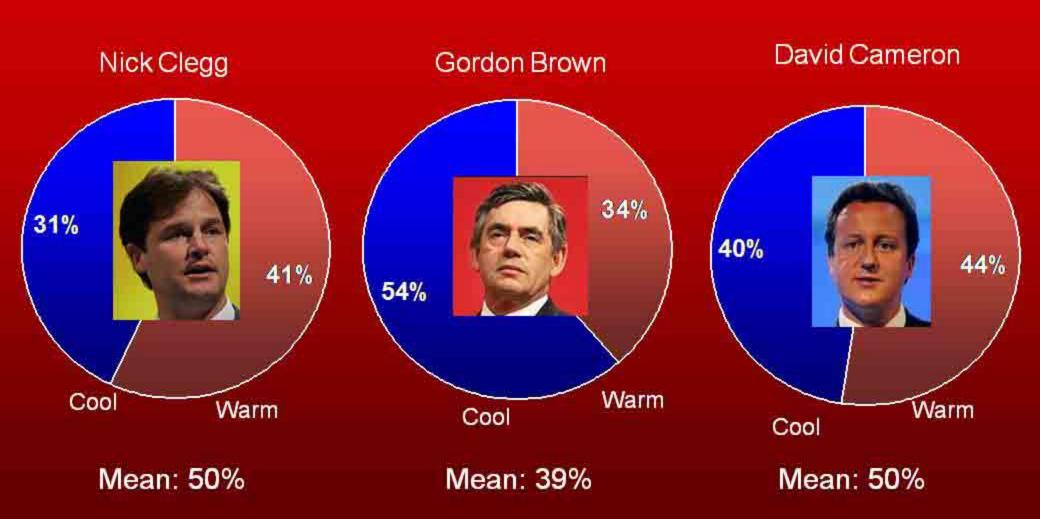
Lib Dems and Tories are the most popular parties

Q "How warm do you feel towards..."



Clegg and Cameron are the most positively percevied leaders

Q "How warm do you feel towards..."



David Cameron

- ...put political differences aside as well move to tackle the deficit, ease deep social problems, rebuild public trust in politics and bring about a more responsible society.
- The maxim of my Government would be "Those who can, should, those who cannot, we well always help." He promised dthat the elderly, frail and pooorest would not be forgotten.



Do the public really want to join the government of Britain?

The party manifestos suggest a real difference of emphasis between Liberal Democrats and Conservatives on the role of the state

INVITATION TO JOIN THE GOVERNMENT OF BRITAIN

"So my invitation today is this: join us, to form a new kind of government for Britain" "Real change comes when the people are inspired and mobilised, when millions of us are fired up to play a part in the nation's future." Will the public accept David Cameron's invitation for greater involvement, local control and personal responsibility?

The eight key points

- Large proportions say the public should be more involved in local and national decisions, fewer say they personally want more involvement, and in practice, even fewer actually will get involved
- BUT this still leaves a large, untapped resource eg only 5% say they
 want to start getting actively involved in local issues but that is still 1.7m
 people
- However, we also need to remember that people wanting to be actively involved is **not in itself always a good sign** – more people want to get involved when they feel that services are failing and they therefore need to step in
- 4. And in specific policy areas, the public are pretty happy with their current levels of involvement in for example schools and policing – and, for most, local councils not parents or other bodies should be running schools. But still significant minorities say they would like more involvement

Cont'd...

The eight key points

- Levels of involvement and feelings of empowerment have been very static over the last decade, despite a wide range of initiatives: it is going to take a seismic shift in our approach to citizen involvement for the public to even notice
- 6. People are contradictory on local control they like the idea of it, but also want services to be the same everywhere. Promoting local control will need to deal with our national obsession with the "postcode lottery" and our real sense of the need for fairness between people/areas
- 7. There is no clear consensus on the role of the state and the balance between "big society" and "big government" – we are split down the middle on the broad principles. And, again, we are self-contradictory on whether the government should be setting laws to protect us or we should fend for ourselves
- But we don't think the experts/government know best and there is clear support for people taking more personal responsibility, including parents being held more accountable for the behaviour of their children

People <u>say</u> they are interested in being more involved

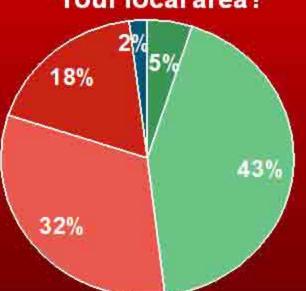
In fact, around half <u>say</u> they would get more involved locally

Q To what extent, if at all, would you like to be involved in decision making in

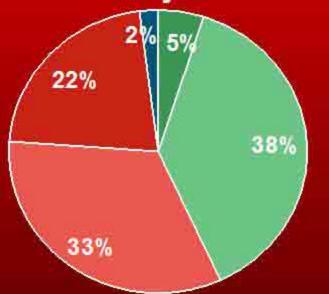
■ Very involved
■ Not very involved

- Fairly involved Don
 Not involved at all
- ■Don't know

Your local area?



The country as a whole?



Although when asked in more detail, 5% want active involvement, 24% want a say and the rest happy with information or don't care....

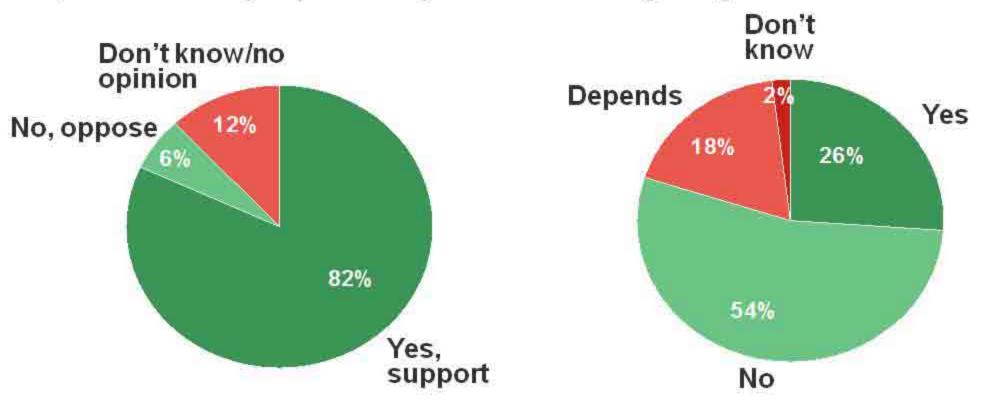
...BUT that's still nearly 9 million people who say they want to influence more

Q Levels of involvement/interest in involvement in local services



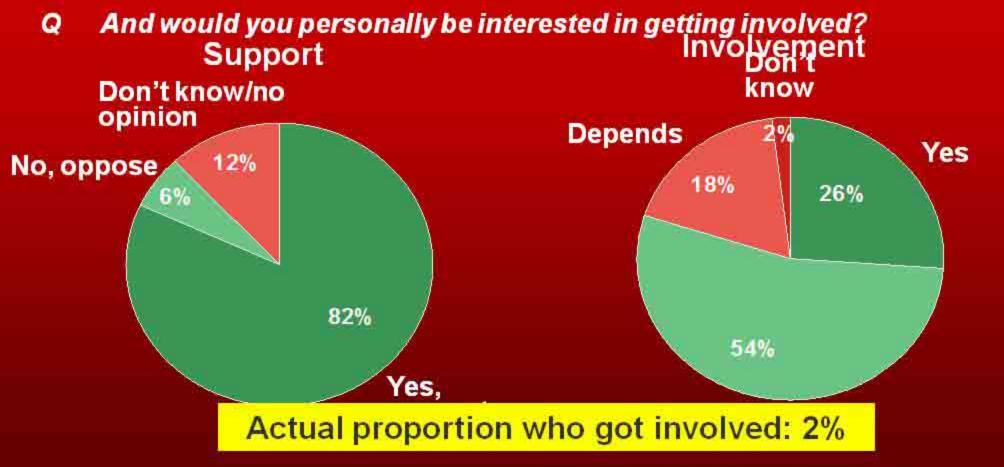
Most do support greater involvement in principle - but many fewer say they <u>personally</u> want to get involved

- Q In principle, would you support or oppose extending Community Partnerships to other parts of the Borough?
- Q And would you personally be interested in getting involved?



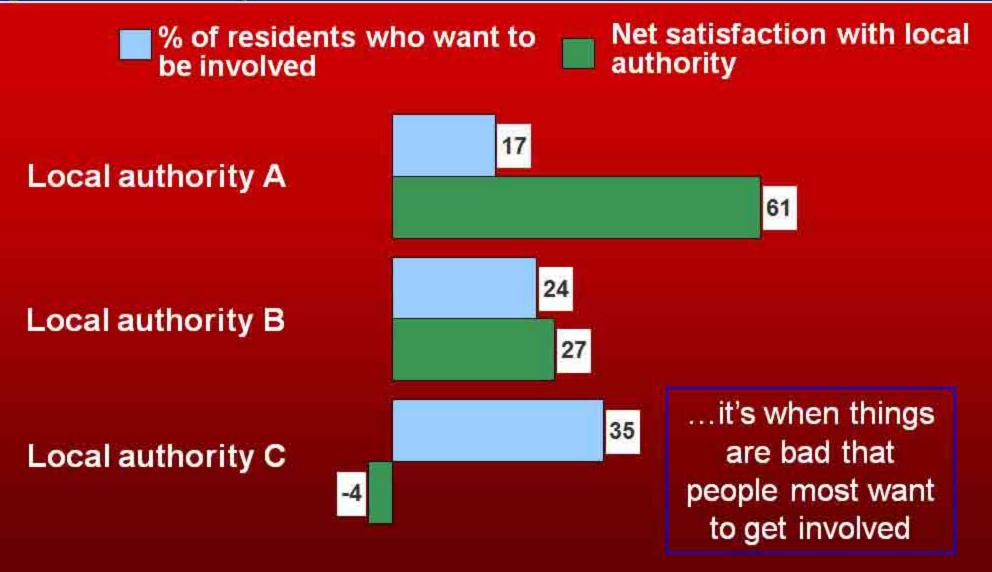
And in practice, only a tiny proportion usually do...

Q In principle, would you support or oppose extending Community Partnerships to other parts of the Borough?



Base All residents from one London borough (1,021) Base All respondents who support the idea (835)

Having lots of people wanting to be involved not always a positive sign - if things are going well people are happy for services to get on with it – local government example...



Need to remember that people who get involved do not always feel empowered - in fact, more who are currently involved in local decision-making bodies do **NOT feel they can influence** decisions than do...

There are lots of unhappy involved people...





Most currently don't feel they have influence over public services...

Q On balance, do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?





1,012 British adults, 7-9 March 2008

Base

Source: Ipsos MORI Delivery Index

Big society vs Big government...

We don't know whether we want to be American or Scandinavian...

People have different views about the ideal society. For each of these statements, please tell me which one comes closest to your ideal.



A society where individuals are encouraged to look after themselves

A society which allows people to make and keep as much money as

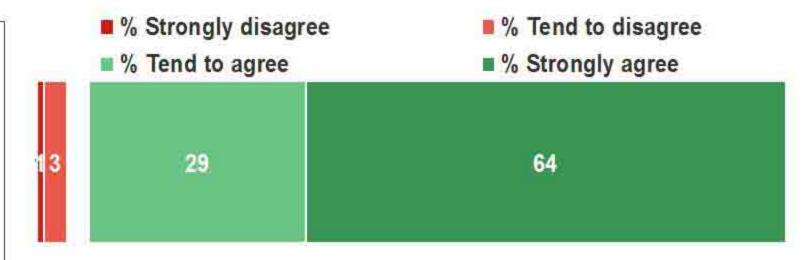
Source Ipsos MORI Political Monitor

Public do believe there's a problem in society – and see taking more responsibility as part of the solution ...

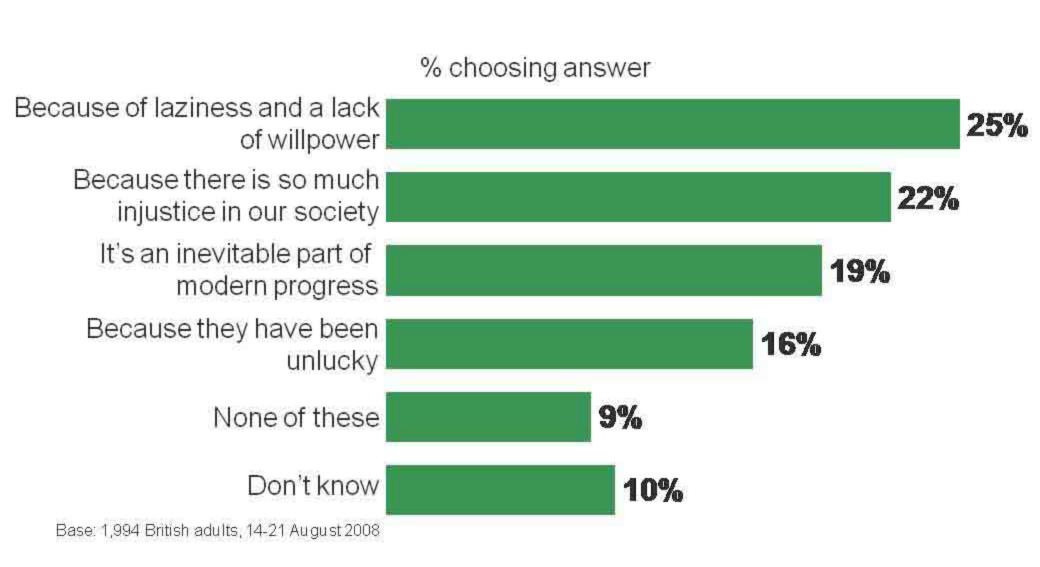
...for example, one of the few things nearly all GB citizens agree on is parents needing to take more responsibility for their children...

...although they are thinking of other parents and other people's children...

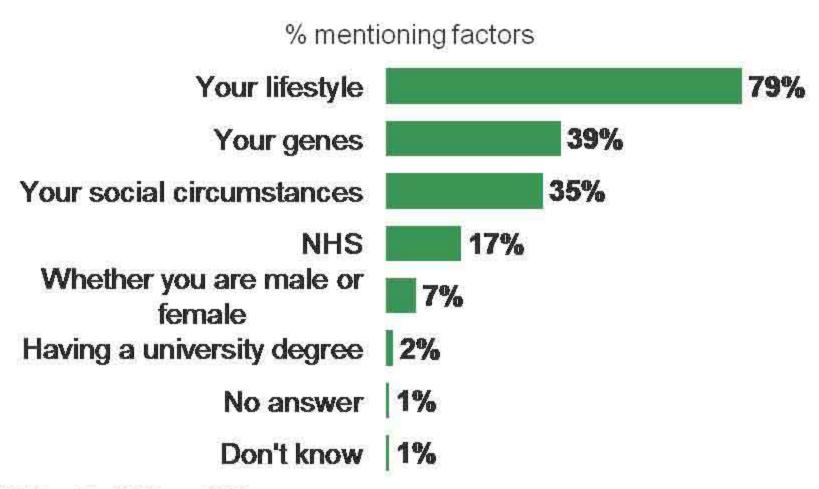
	% Agree	
15-29	84	
30-49	95	
50-64	95	
65+	94	
AB	91	
C1	95	
C2	94	
DE	88	



A quarter believe individual unwillingness to take responsibility explains poverty



And we recognise that by taking responsibility for ourselves, we can improve our health



Base: 1,994 British adults, 14-21 August 2008

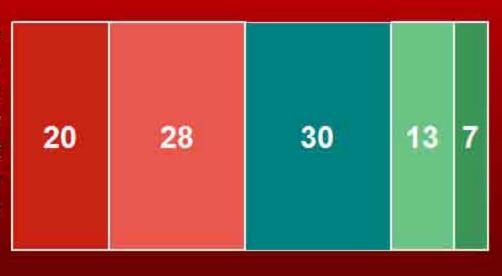
In a more responsible society, what role do people want the state to play?

No clear view on role of state – on one hand, people should be responsible...

Please read each pair of statements and decide which comes closest to your own opinion



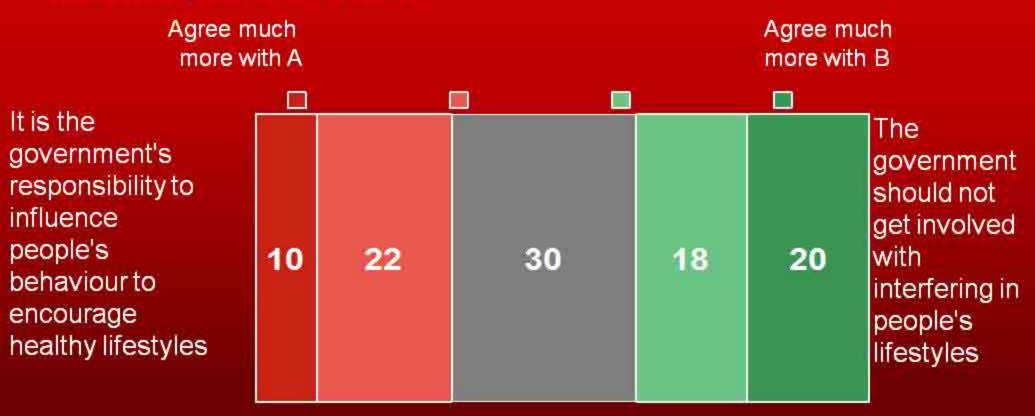
People should be responsible for making their own decisions about their health and welfare - it is no business of the state to interfere



The state should take responsibility for the public's health and welfare - it must protect people from making mistakes they will regret later

...but on the other hand, we don't know

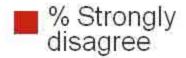
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Base: 2,019 British adults, 9 May-5 June 2008

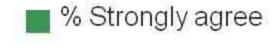
We want govt to pass more laws to protect people, while also leaving decisions to people's own judgement!

Q How strongly do you agree or disagree that....









"The Govt should do more to protect people by passing laws that ban dangerous activities"

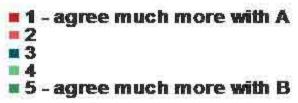


"The Govt does not trust ordinary people to make their own decisions about dangerous activities"

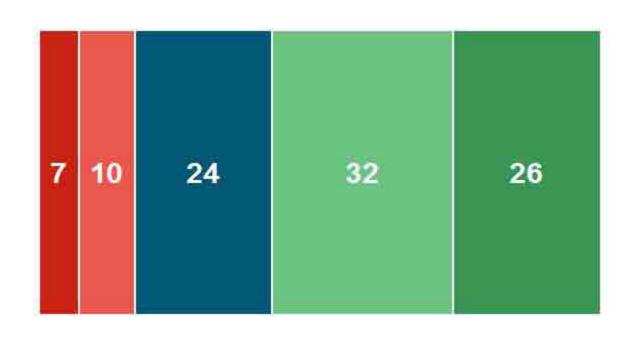


But pretty clear that the public don't think experts know best

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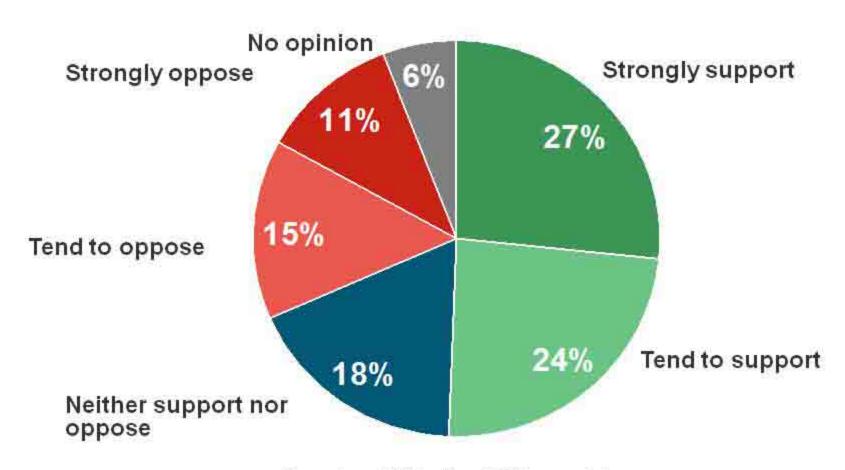
A. The experts who provide and manage public services know best – they should find out what we think and get on with it



B. The general public should be much more actively involved in shaping public services, through for example people deciding on priorities

Role of the state depends on the issue at stake?

Half agree that government should punish bad parents – even by taking away benefits

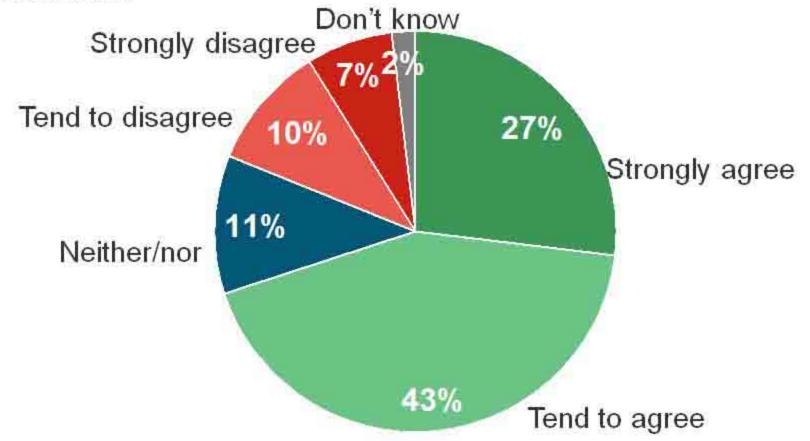


Source: Ipsos MORI - Base 2,000 respondents

Public do support govt intervention on issues like climate change – even if it means behaviour change

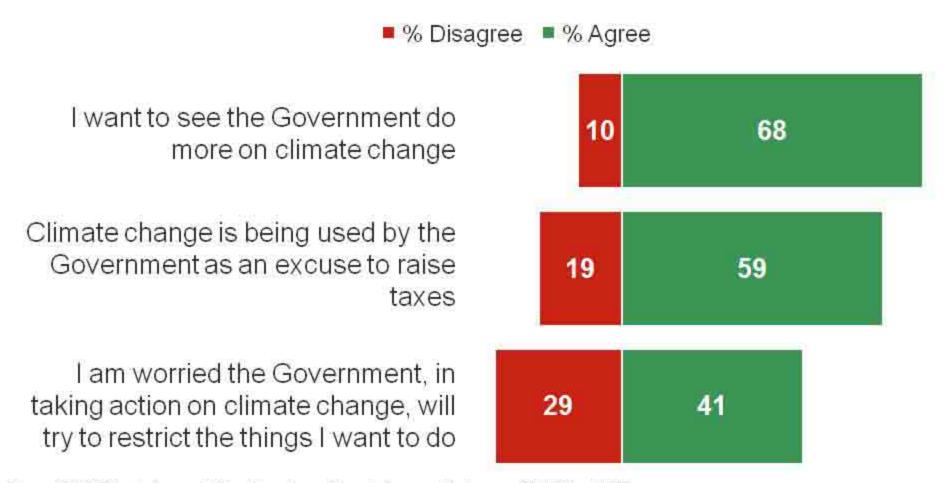
Q How strongly do you agree or disagree that . . . ?

The government should take the lead in combating climate change, even if it means using the law to change people's behaviour



Base: 2,037 British adults, 14-20 June 2007

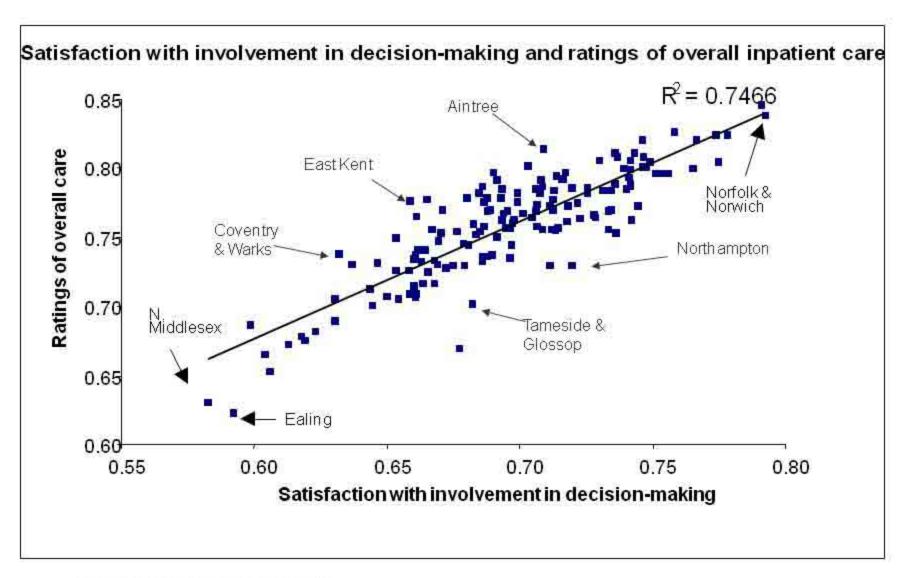
So we want leadership from Government (but we're sceptical about it)



Base: 1,039 GB adults aged 15+, interviewed face-to-face and in home, 23-29 May 2008

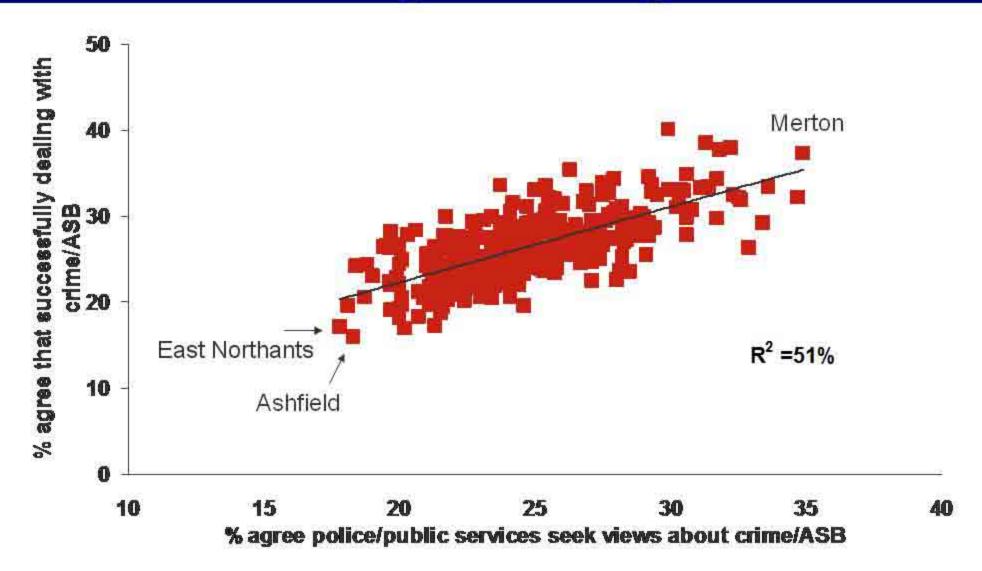
But in the end, evidence suggests that people taking more responsibility and getting involved can make a real difference...

Correlation between being involved in decisionmaking and happier patients



Source: NHS inpatient survey 2006

Those who feel consulted are also more likely to feel issues are being successfully dealt with



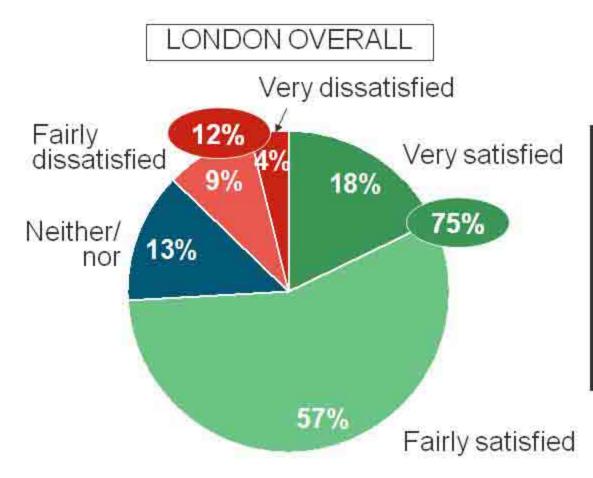
Thank you. Questions?

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Satisfaction with the local area (NI 5)

Q Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with your local area as a place to live?



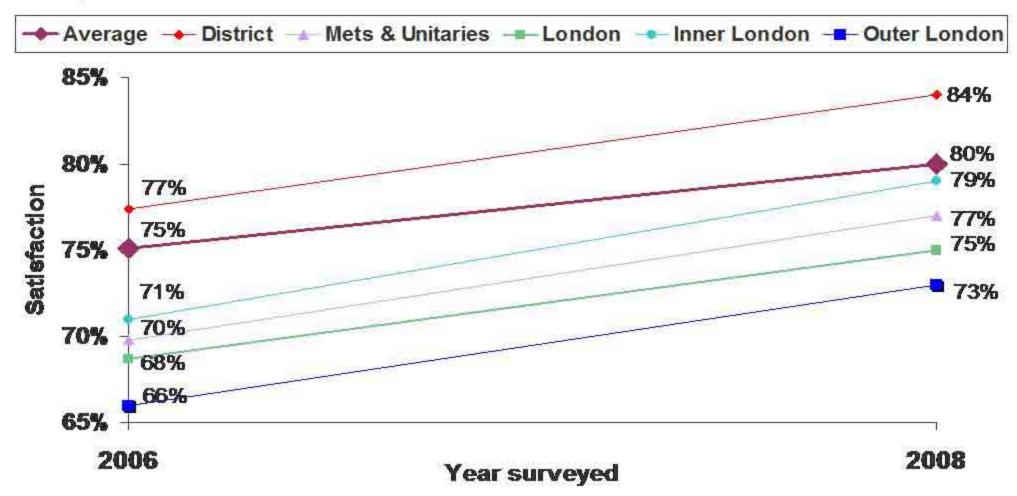
Green = better than average Red = worse than average

	Sat.	Dis.
	%	%
ENGLAND	80	n/a
London	75	12
Inner	79	10
Outer	73	14

Base: All valid responses (50, 178); fieldwork: Oct - Dec 2008

Satisfaction with area over time

Q Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with your local area as a place to live?

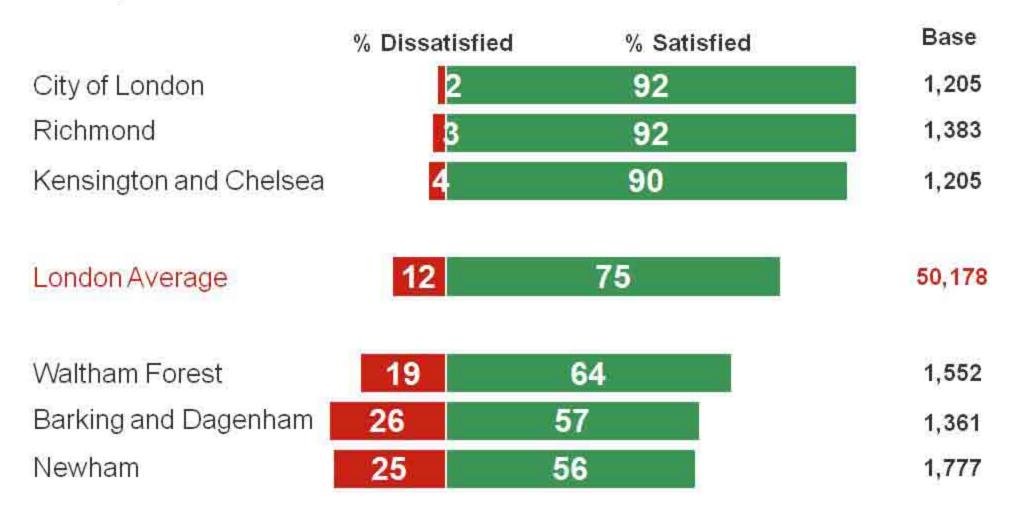


Base: Place Survey 2008/09 (352 local authorities), BVPI 2006 and 2003 (387 local authorities)

Source: Ipsos MORI

Satisfaction with the local area – variation between authorities

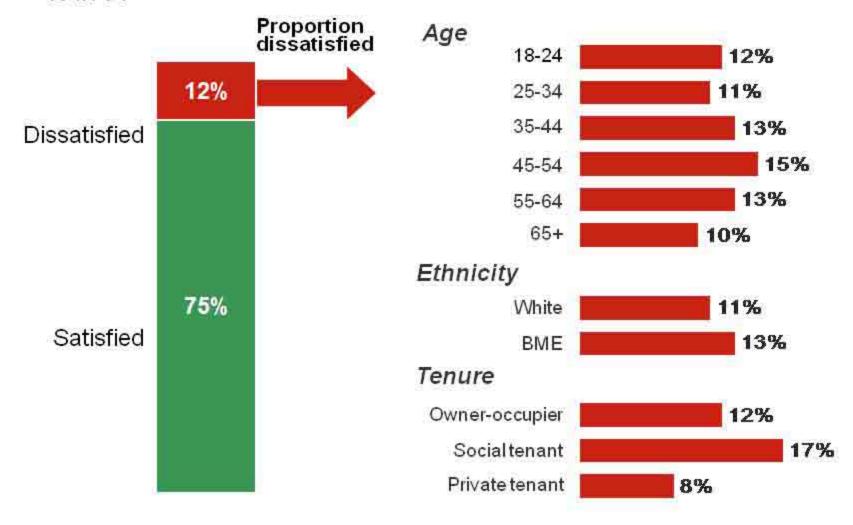
Q Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with your local area as a place to live?



Base: valid responses; fieldwork: Oct- Dec 2008

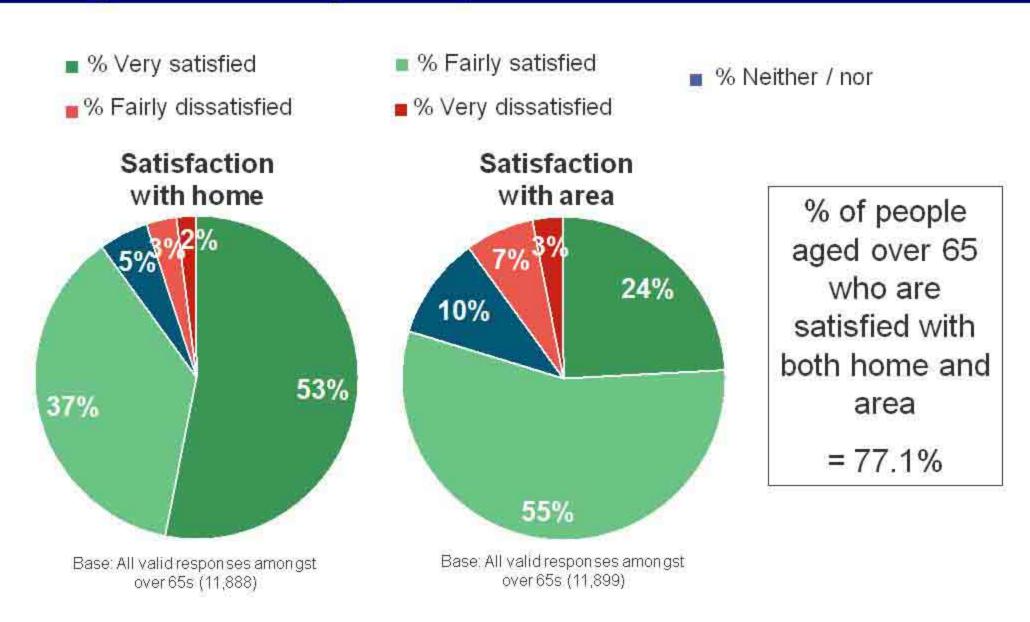
Dissatisfaction with area: key groups

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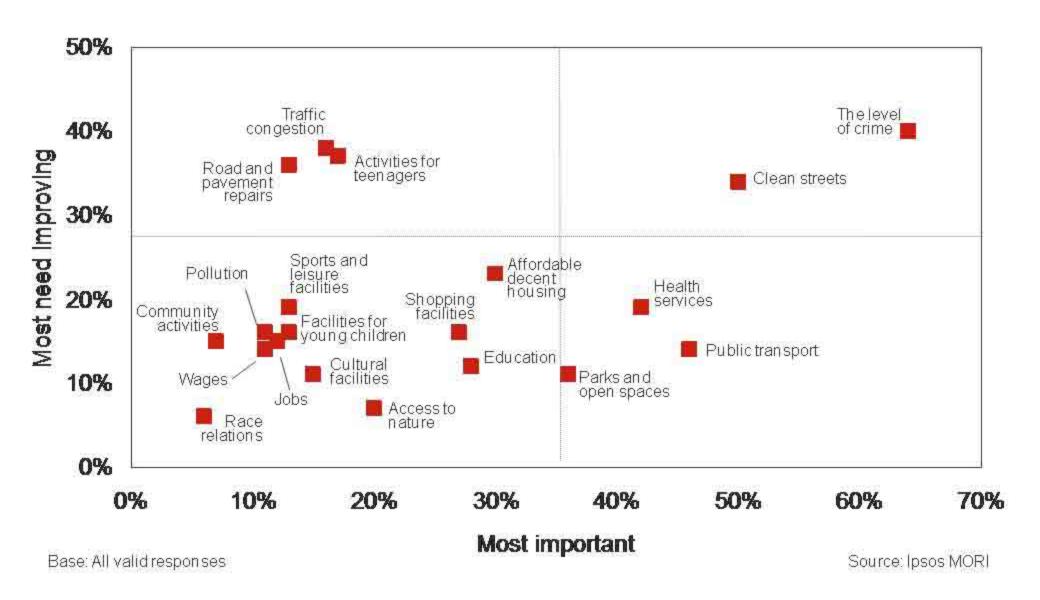


Base: All valid responses (50, 178); fieldwork: Oct – Dec 2008

Satisfaction of people over 65 with both home and neighbourhood (NI 138)

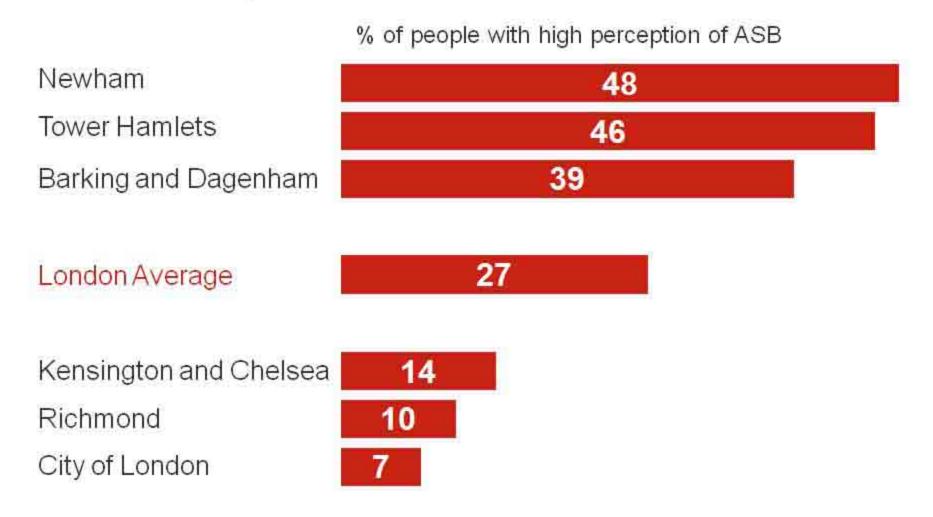


Residents' priorities: what is important vs. what needs improving

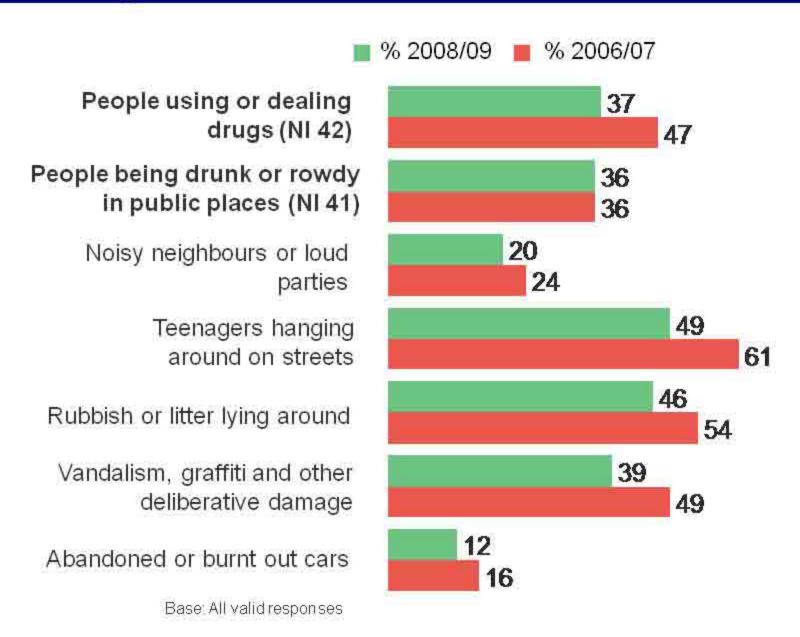


Perception of anti-social behaviour (NI 17)

Q Thinking about this local area, how much of a problem do you think each of the following are?



Perceptions of anti-social behaviour: Comparative data



Problems with drugs (NI 42)

Q Thinking about this local area, how much of a problem do you think each of the following are ...people using or dealing drugs?

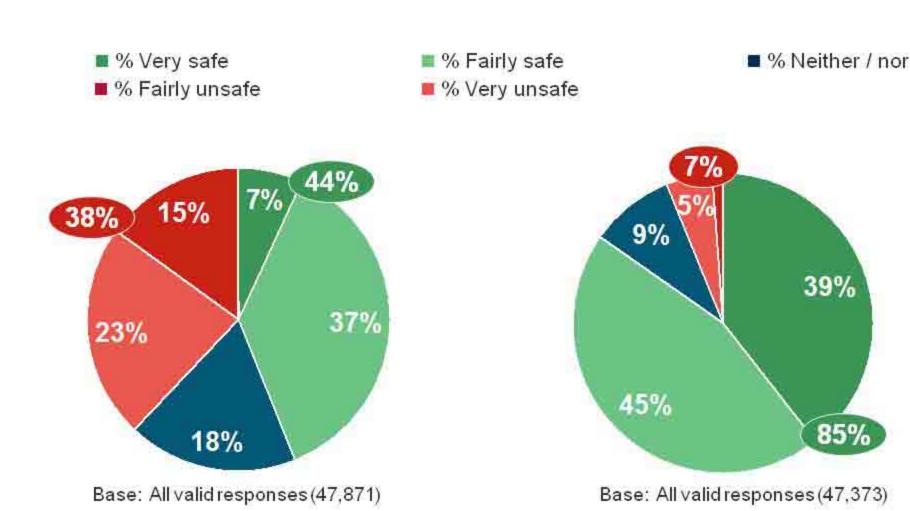
	% A big problem	% Not a big problem	Base
Richmond	10	90	1,029
City of London	12	88	927
Kingston	20	80	1,055
London Average	37	63	38,220
Hackney	56	44	1,168
Tower Hamlets	60	40	1,188
Newham	61	39	1,355

Problems with drunkenness (NI 41)

Q Thinking about this local area, how much of a problem do you think each of the following aredrunk or rowdy behaviour in public places?

	% A big problem	% Not a big problem	Base
Richmond	24	76	1,244
Barnet	25	75	1,064
Bromley	27	73	1,269
London Average	36	64	44,358
Barking and Dagenham	45	55	1,162
Tower Hamlets	47	53	1,305
Newham	52	48	1,532

Feeling safe or unsafe in the local area



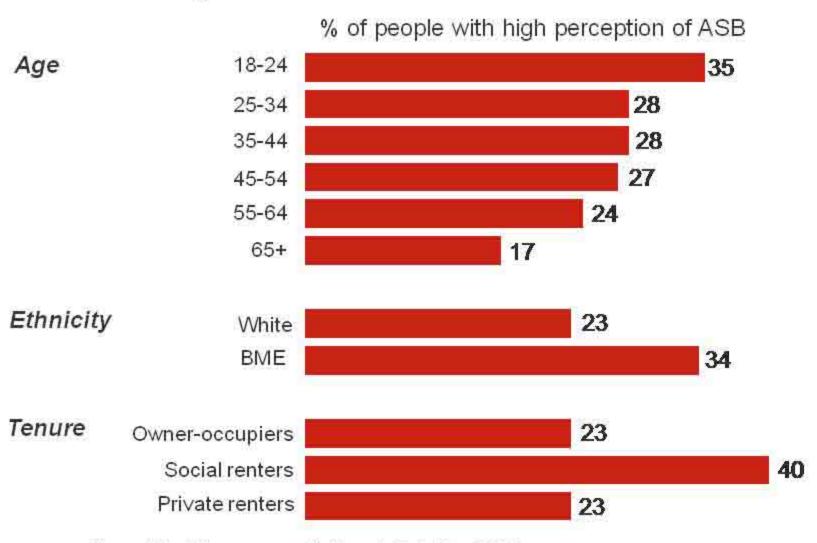
Feeling safe after dark - variation

Q How safe or unsafe do you feel when outside in your local area after dark?

9/	very/fairly unsafe	% very/fairly safe	Base
City of London	7	83	1,177
Richmond	19	66	1,327
Kensington and Chelsea	19	65	1,168
London Average	38	44	47,871
Waltham Forest	49	31	1,490
Newham	54	28	1,649
Barking and Dagenham	57	27	1,271

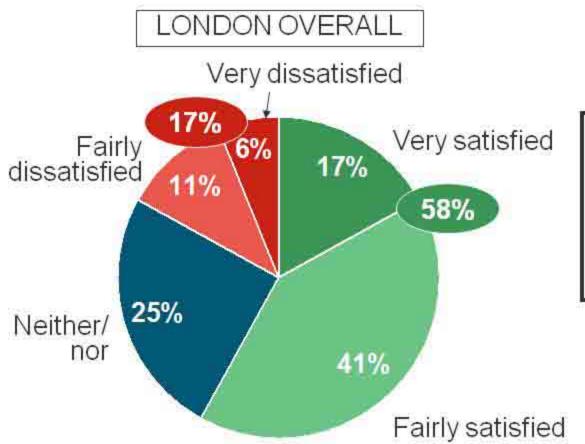
Perception of anti-social behaviour

Q Thinking about this local area, how much of a problem do you think each of the following are?



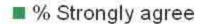
Satisfaction with the police

Q Please indicate how satisfied or dissatisfied you are with each of the following public services in your local area.... Metropolitan Police



	Sat.	Dis.
	%	%
LONDON	58	17
Inner	58	17
Outer	58	17

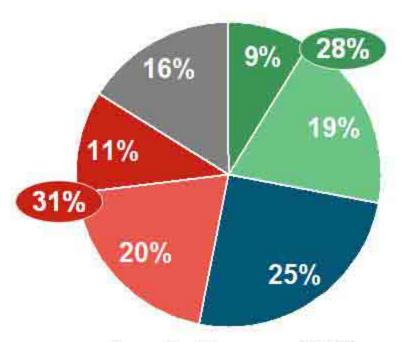
Police, public services and ASB



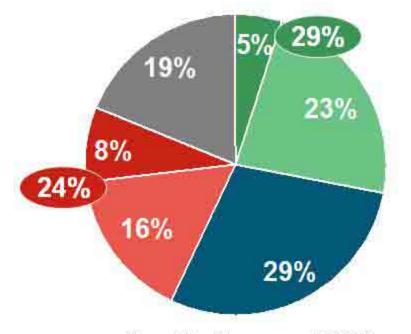
% Strongly disagree

- % Tend to agree
- % Tend to disagree

- % Neither / nor
- Don't know



Base: All valid responses (47,538)

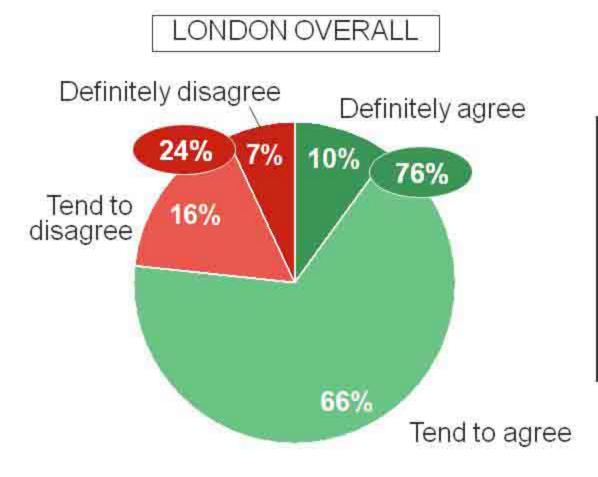


Base: All valid responses (46.365)

Source: Ipsos MORI

Different backgrounds getting on together (NI 1)

Q To what extent do you agree or disagree that your local area is a place where people from different backgrounds get on well together?

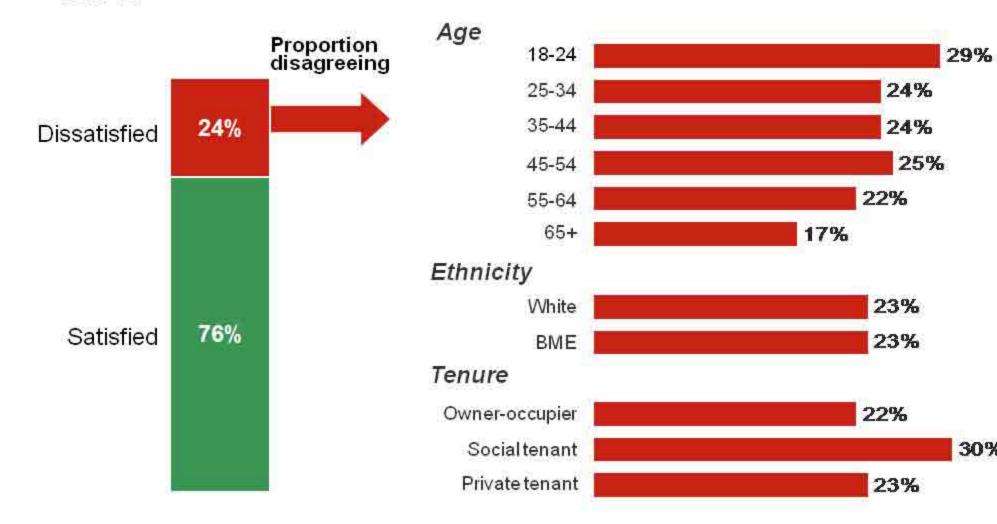


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	Agree	Disagree
	%	%
ENGLAND	76	24
London	76	24
Inner	78	22
Outer	75	25

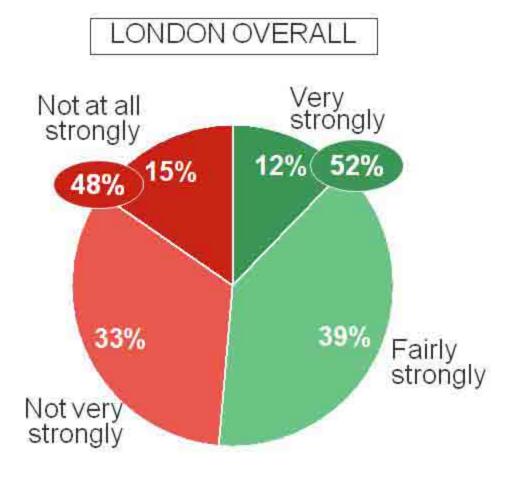
Different background getting on: key groups

Q Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with your local area as a place to live?



Identification with the neighbourhood (NI 2)

Q How strongly do you feel you belong to your <u>immediate neighbourhood</u>?



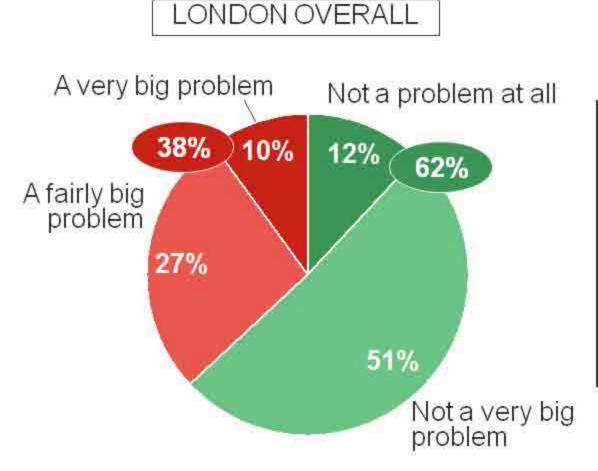
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	Strongly	Not strongly
	%	%
ENGLAND	59	41
London	52	48
Inner	51	49
Outer	53	47

Base: All valid responses (47,509); fieldwork: Oct – Dec 2008

Respect and consideration (NI 23)

Q In your local area, how much of a problem do you think there is with people not treating each other with respect and consideration?

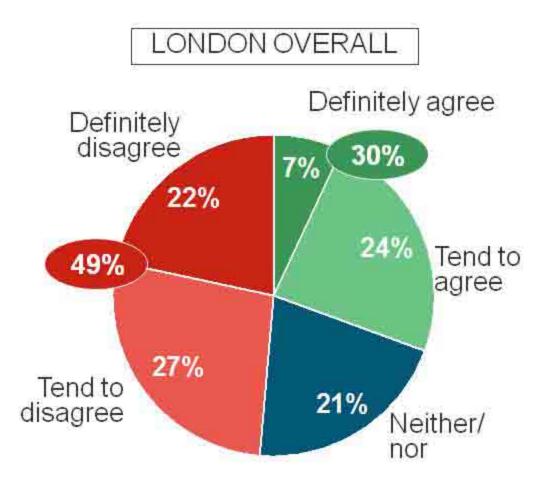


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	Problem	Not problem
	%	%
ENGLAND	31	69
London	38	62
Inner	40	60
Outer	36	60

Parental responsibility (NI 22)

Q To what extent do you agree or disagree that in your local area, parents take enough responsibility for the behaviour of their children?



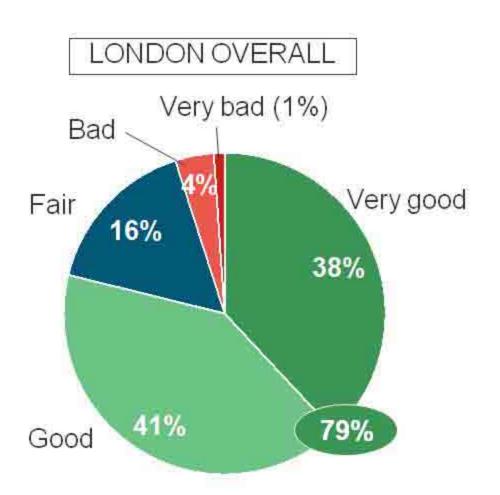
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	Agree	Disagree
	%	%
ENGLAND	30	51
London	30	49
Inner	29	50
Outer	31	49

Base: All valid responses (45,024); fieldwork: Oct – Dec 2008

Quality of health (NI 119)

Q How is your health in general? Would you say it is ...



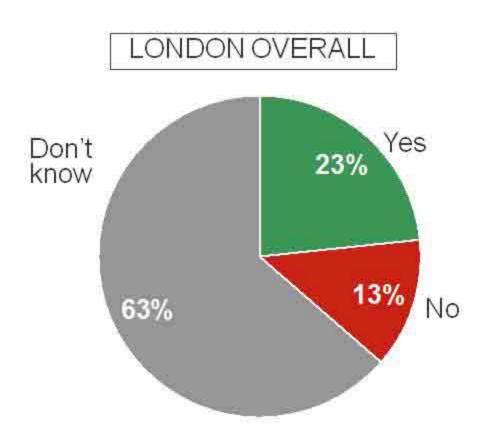
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	Good	Bad
	%	%
ENGLAND	76	n/a
London	79	4
Inner	81	5
Outer	78	4

Base: All valid responses (48,974); fieldwork: Oct – Dec 2008

Services for older people (NI 139)

Q In your opinion, are older people in your local area able to get the services and support they need to continue to live as long at home as they want to?

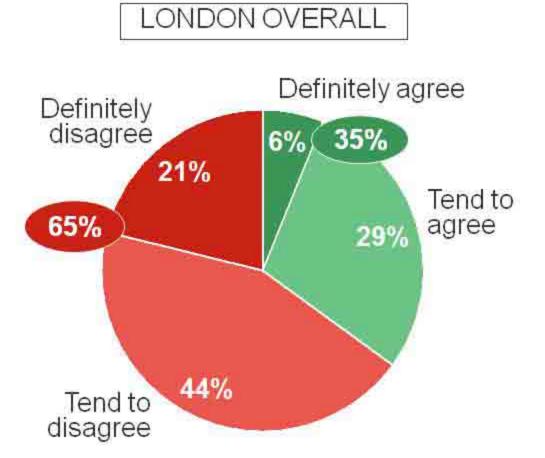


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	Yes	No
	%	%
ENGLAND	30	n/a
London	23	13
Inner	21	12
Outer	25	14

Influence over local decisions (NI 4)

Q Do you agree or disagree that you can influence decisions affecting your local area?



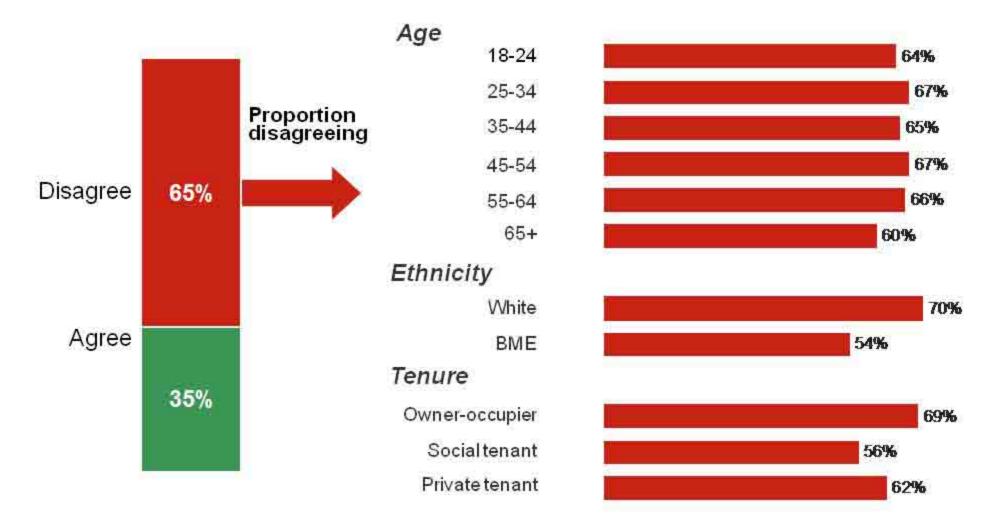
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	Agree	Disagree
	%	%
ENGLAND	29	71
London	35	65
Inner	37	63
Outer	34	66

Base: All valid responses (41,950); fieldwork: Oct – Dec 2008

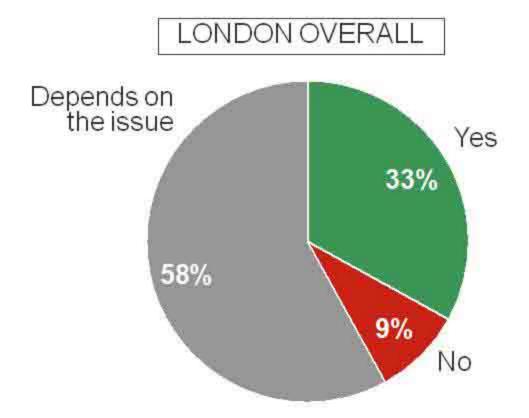
Influencing local decisions - variations

Q Do you agree or disagree that you influence decisions affecting your local area?



Involvement in local decisions

Q Generally speaking, would like to be more involved in decisions affecting your local area?

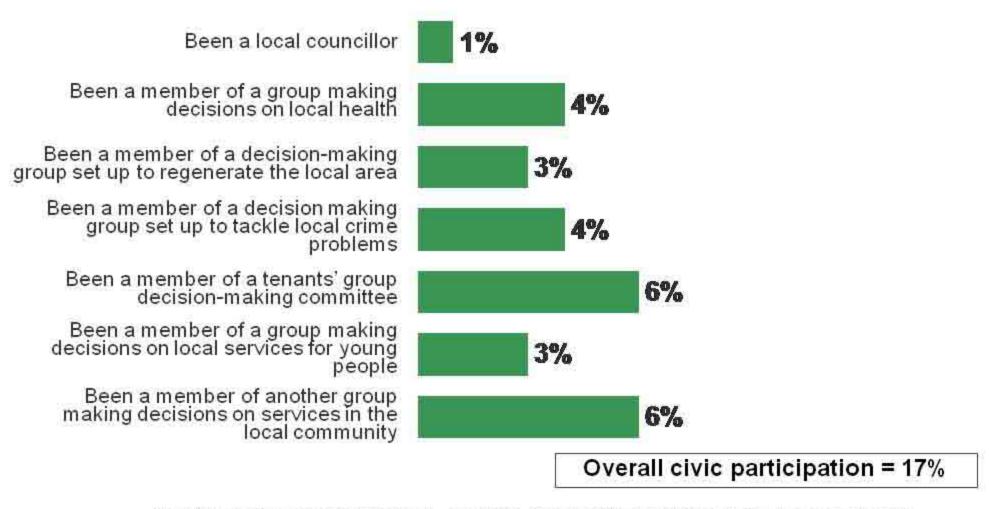


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	Yes	No
	%	%
ENGLAND	27	n/a
London	33	9
Inner	34	9
Outer	32	9

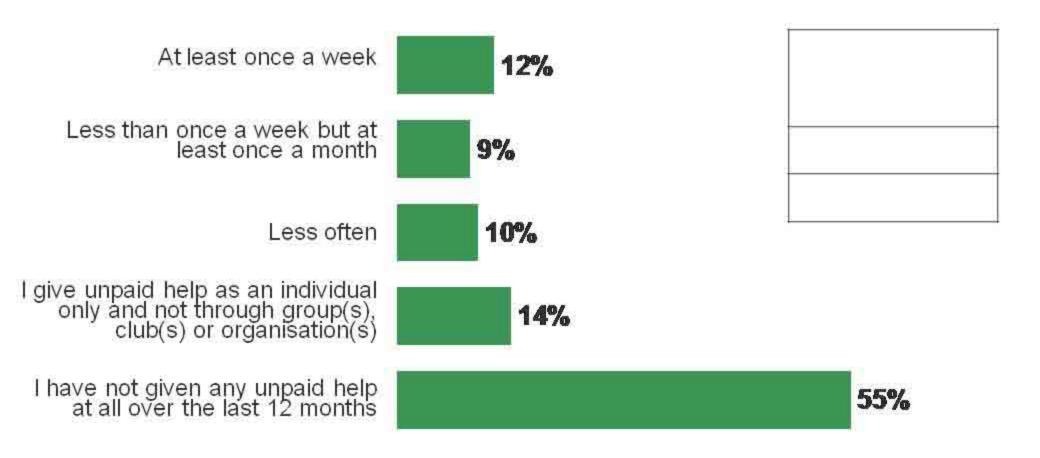
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Civic participation in the local area (NI 3)



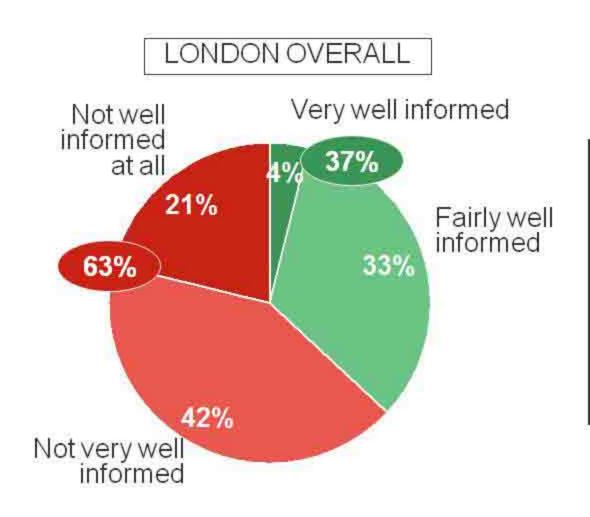
Base: All valid responses, fieldwork: Oct — Dec 2008. *Civic participation (NI3) is % of respondents who take part in at least one of any of the activities in last 12 months

Unpaid voluntary work (NI 6)



Informed about public services

Q Overall, how well informed do you feel about local public services?



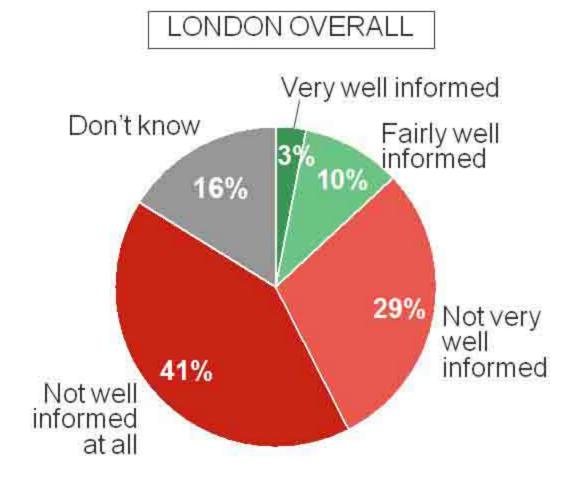
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	Informed	Not informed
	%	%
ENGLAND	39	61
London	37	63
Inner	39	61
Outer	36	64

Base: All valid responses (46,849); fieldwork: Oct – Dec 2008

Informed about emergency procedures (NI 37)

Q How well informed do you feel about each of the following...what to do in the event of a large scale emergency, e.g. flooding, human pandemic flu?

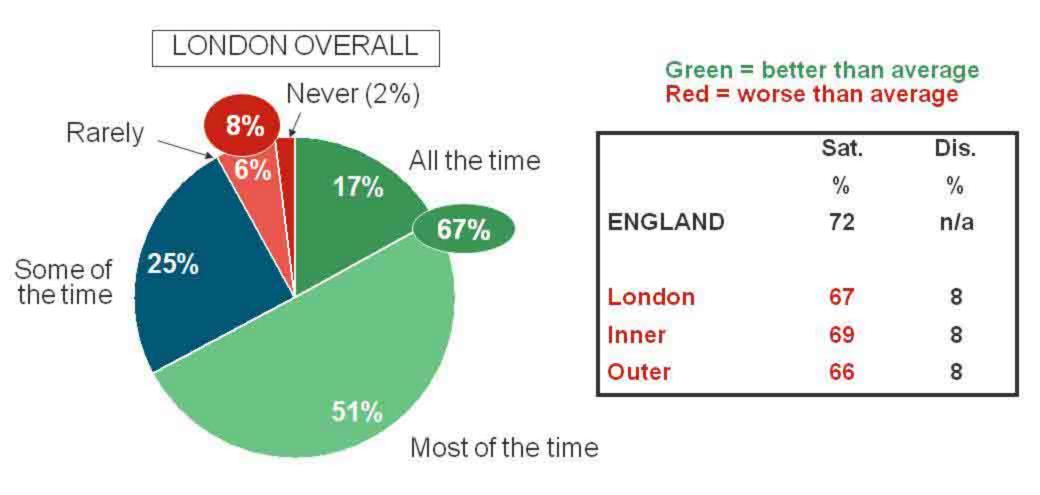


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	Informed	Not informed
	%	%
ENGLAND	15	n/a
London	14	71
Inner	13	72
Outer	14	70

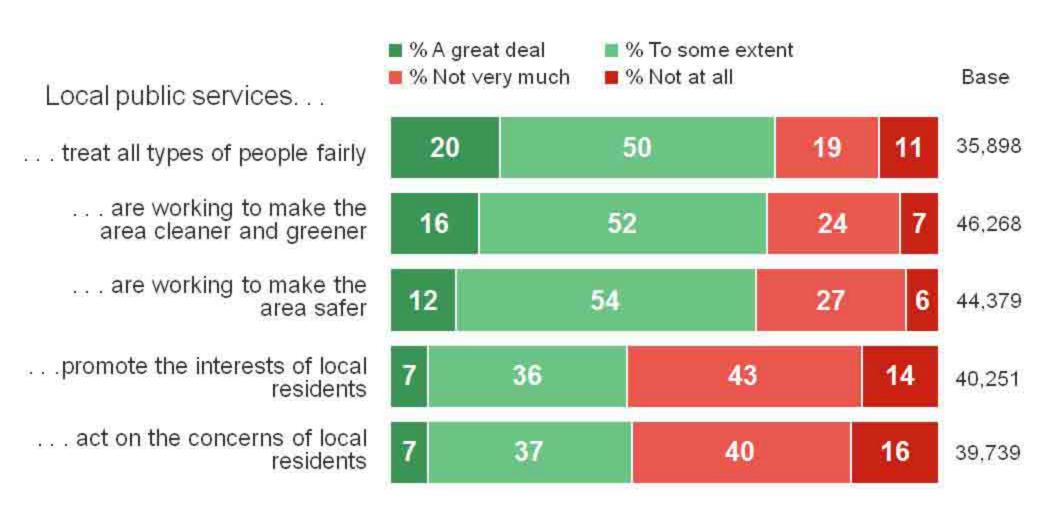
Treated with respect by public services (NI 140)

Q In the last year, would you say you have treated with respect and consideration by your local public services...?

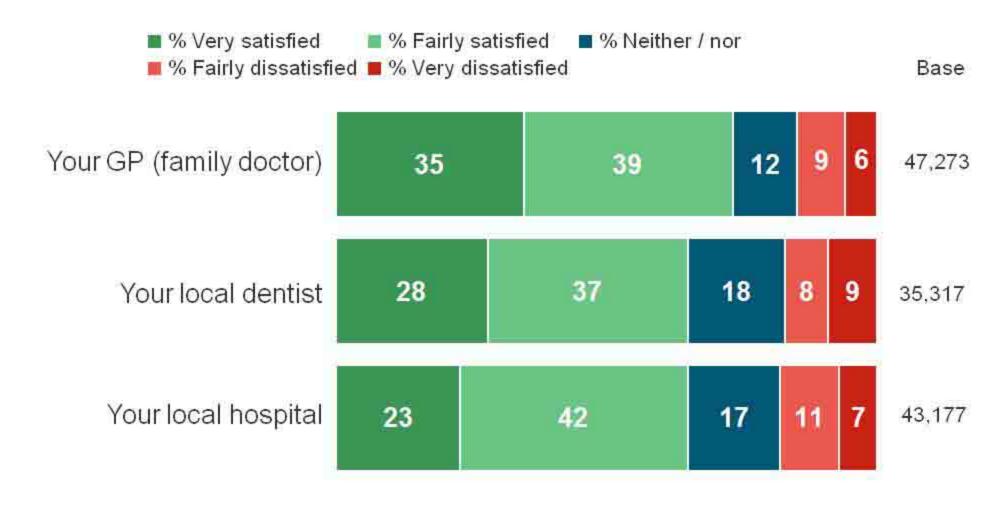


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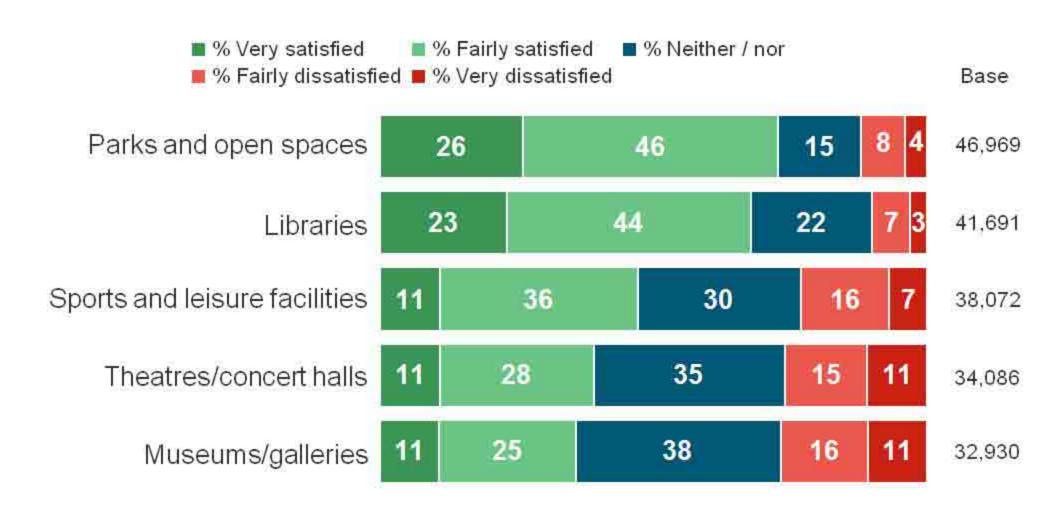
Public services in the local area



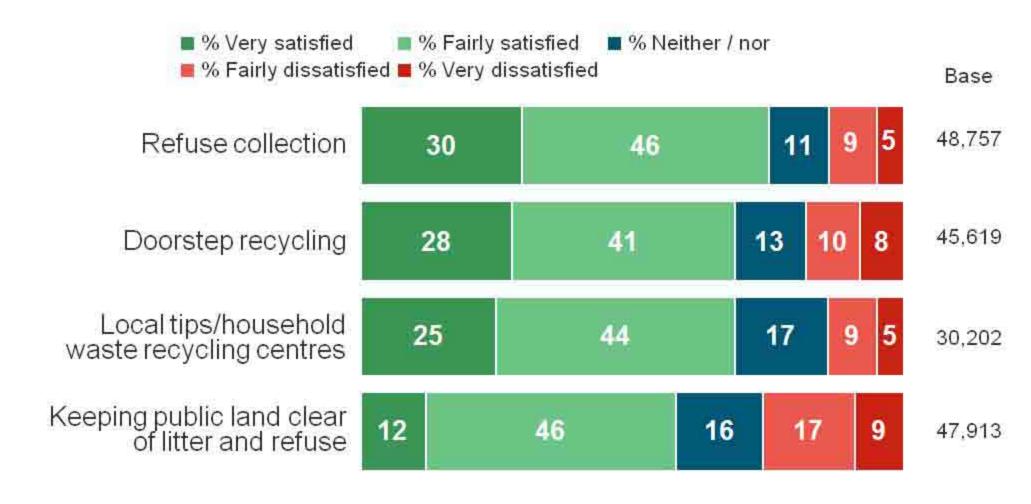
Satisfaction with local health services



Satisfaction with cultural and leisure services



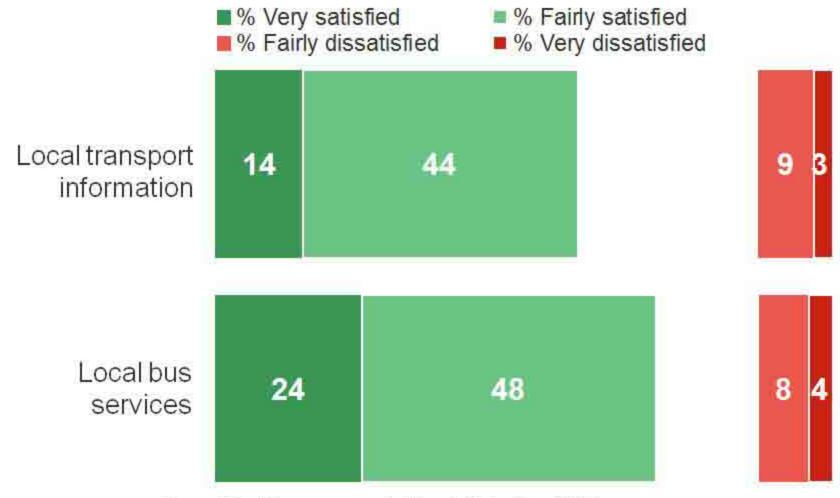
Satisfaction with environmental services



Base: All valid responses except for local tips (all valid users); fieldwork: Oct - Dec 2008

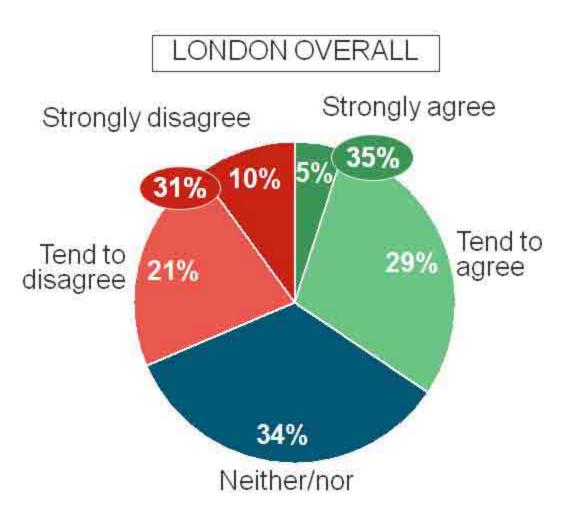
Satisfaction with local transport

Q How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with each of the following services provided or supported by your local council?



Value for money

Q To what extent do you agree or disagree that your local council provides value for money?



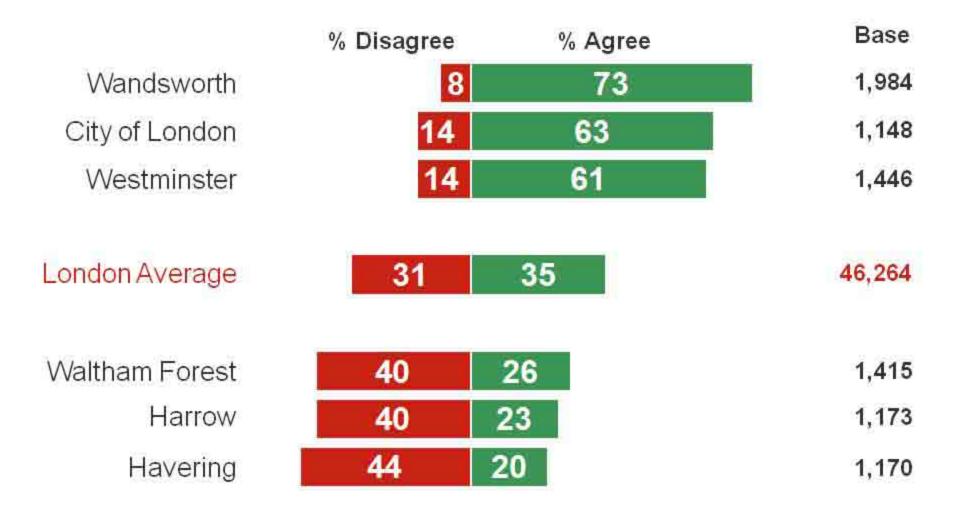
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	Agree	Disagree
	%	%
ENGLAND	33	n/a
London	35	31
Inner	43	26
Outer	30	34

Base: All valid responses (46, 264); fieldwork: Oct – Dec 2008

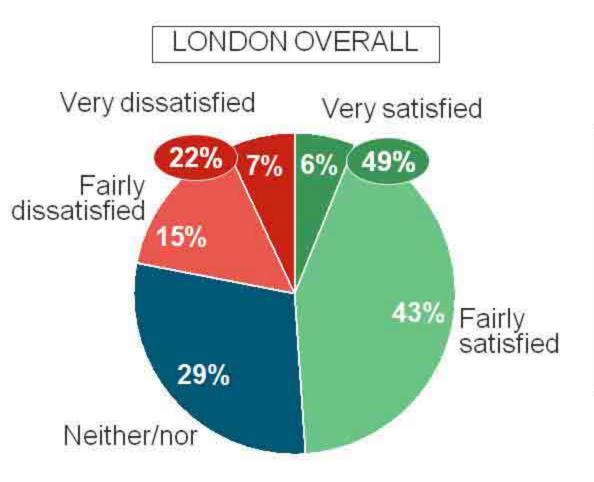
Value for money – variations

Q To what extent do you agree or disagree that your local council provides value for money?



Satisfaction with the local council

Q Taking everything into account, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the way your local council runs things?



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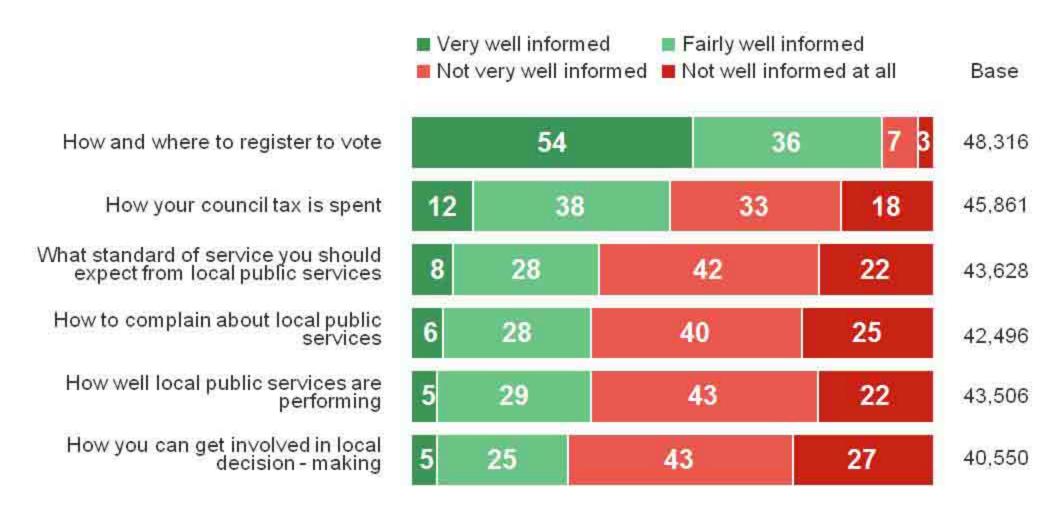
	Sat.	Dis.
	%	%
ENGLAND	45	n/a
London	49	22
Inner	55	19
Outer	46	23

Satisfaction with the council - variation

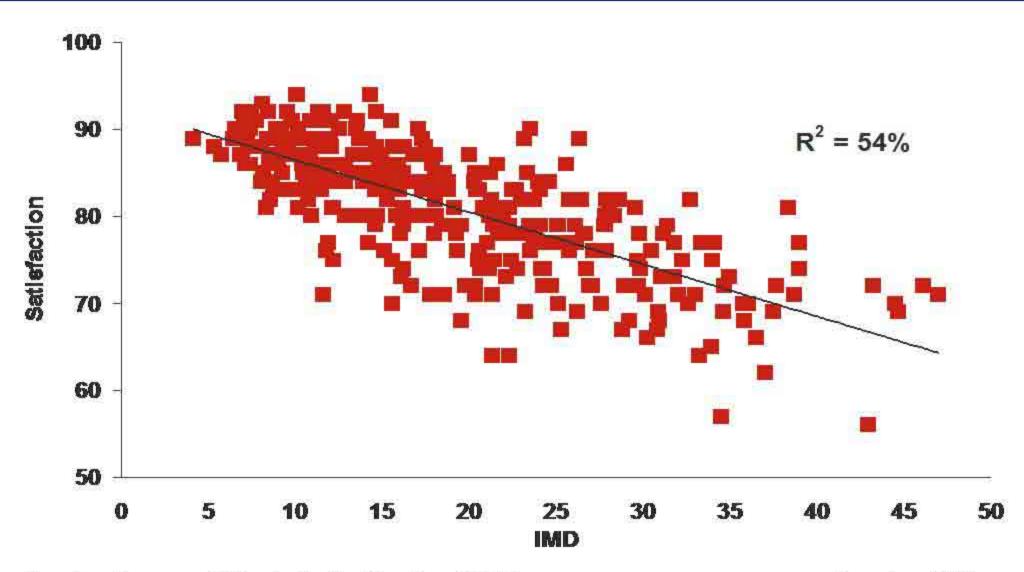
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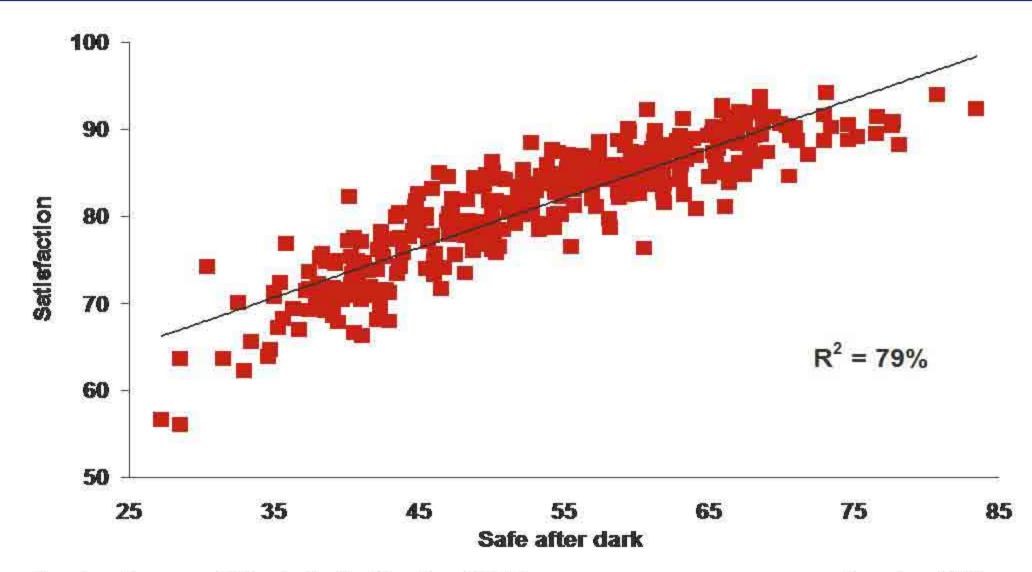
Feeling informed about specific issues



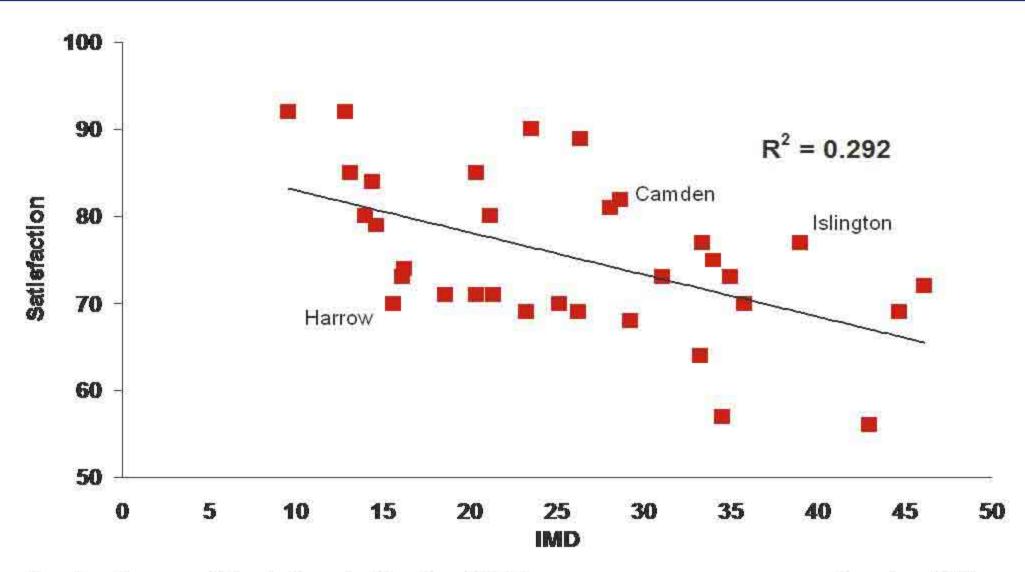
Satisfaction with local area vs IMD



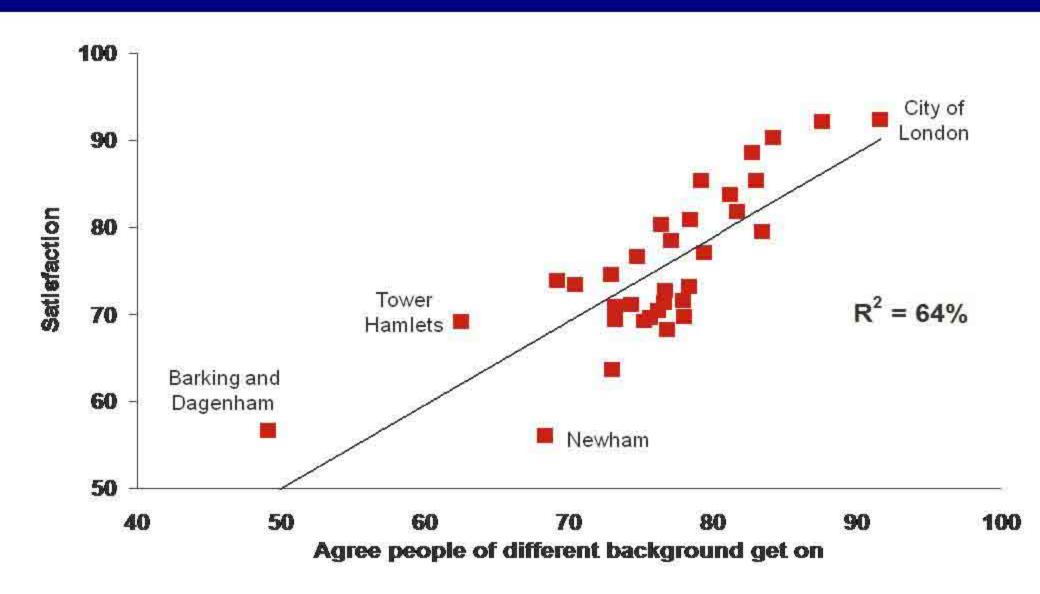
Satisfaction with local area vs feeling safe after dark



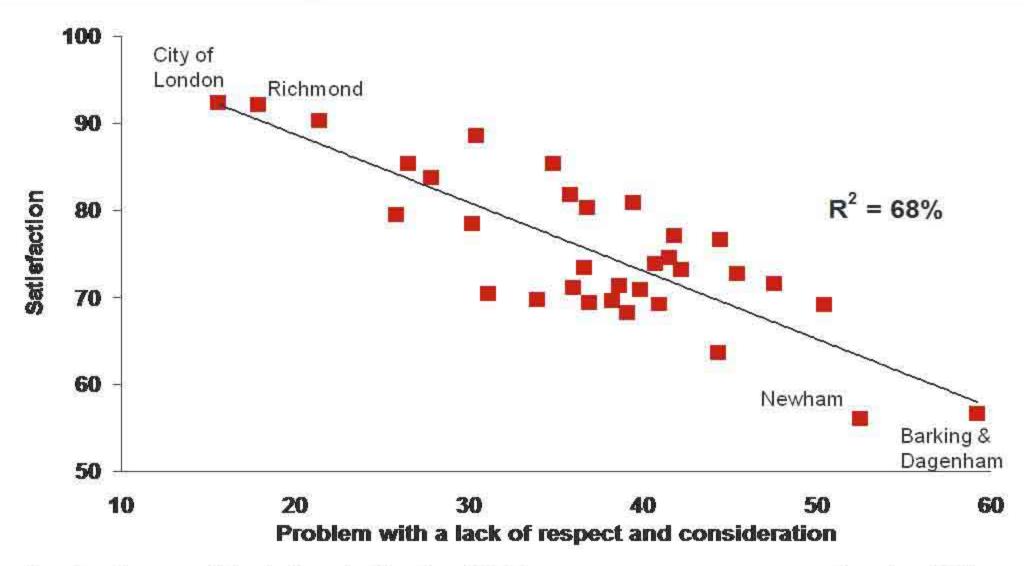
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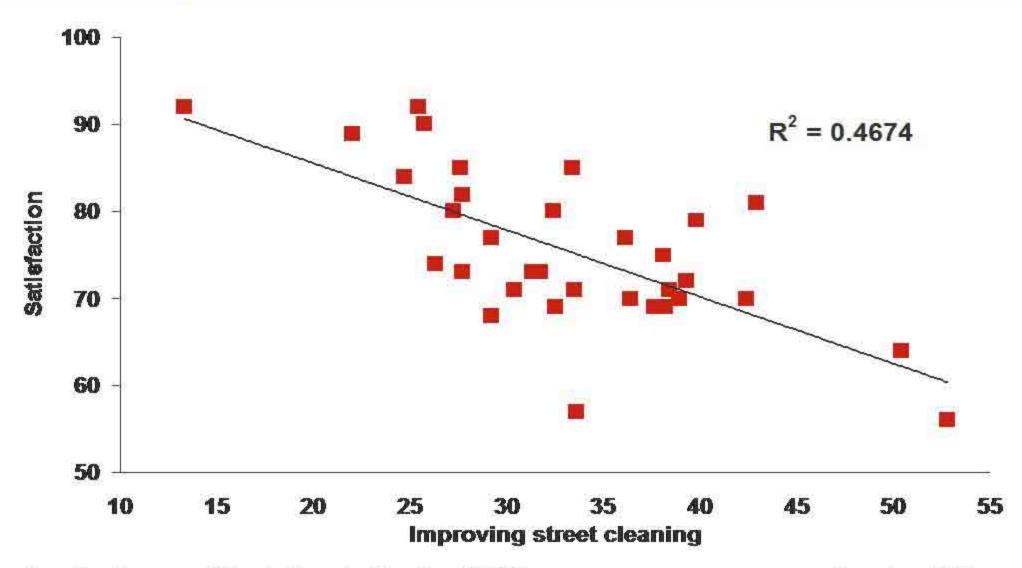
Satisfaction with local area vs social cohesion



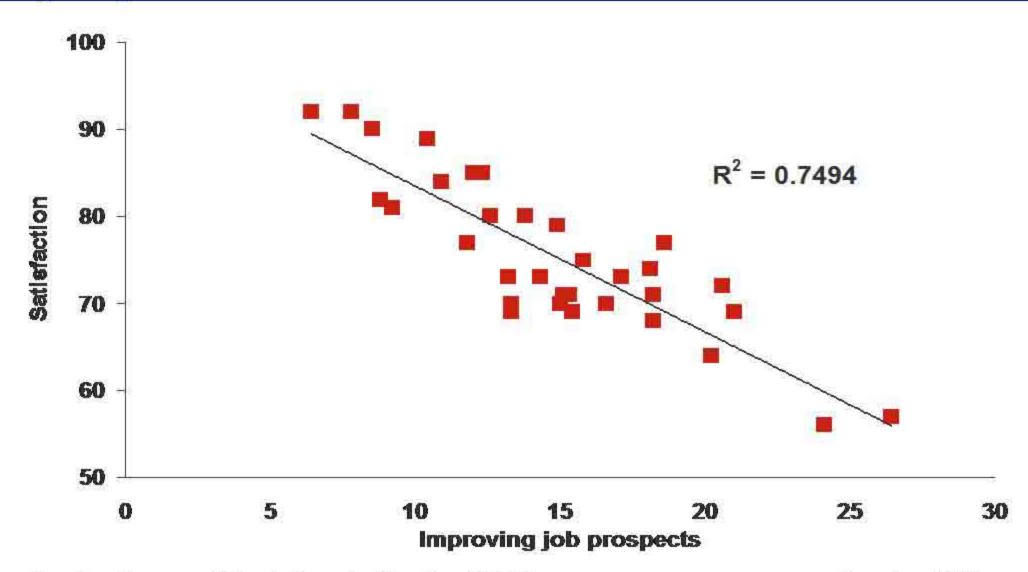
Satisfaction with local area vs problem with respect and consideration



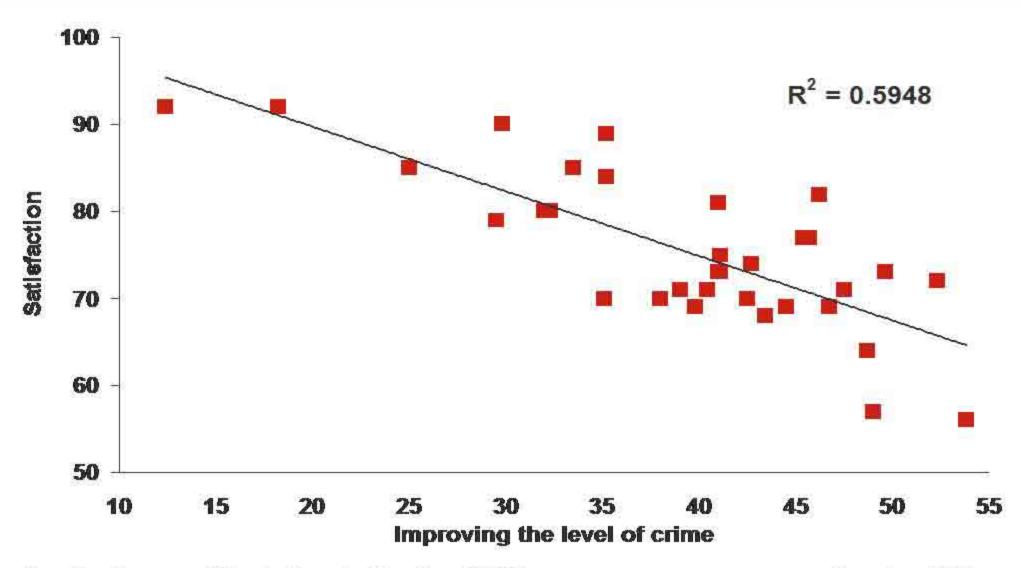
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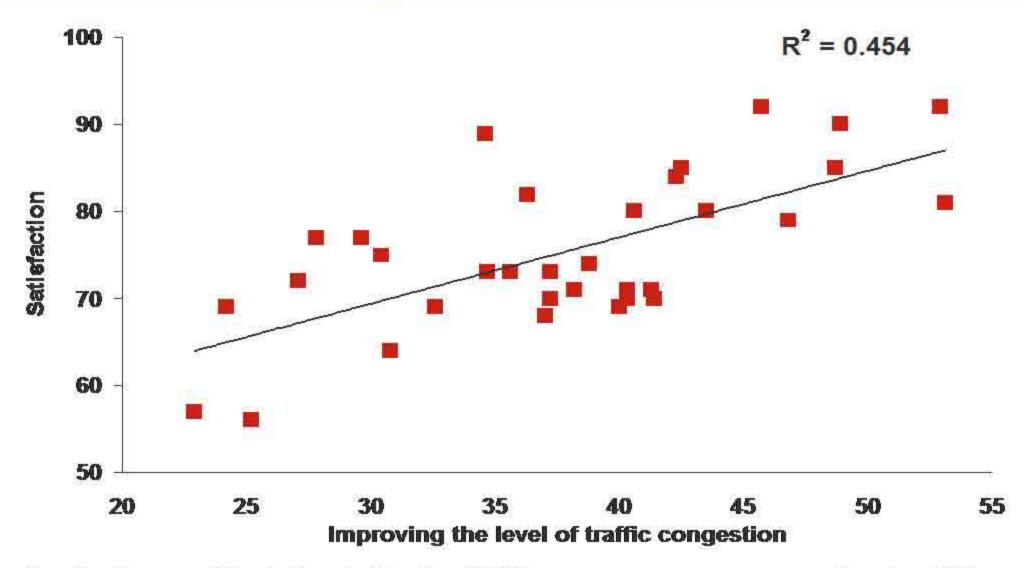
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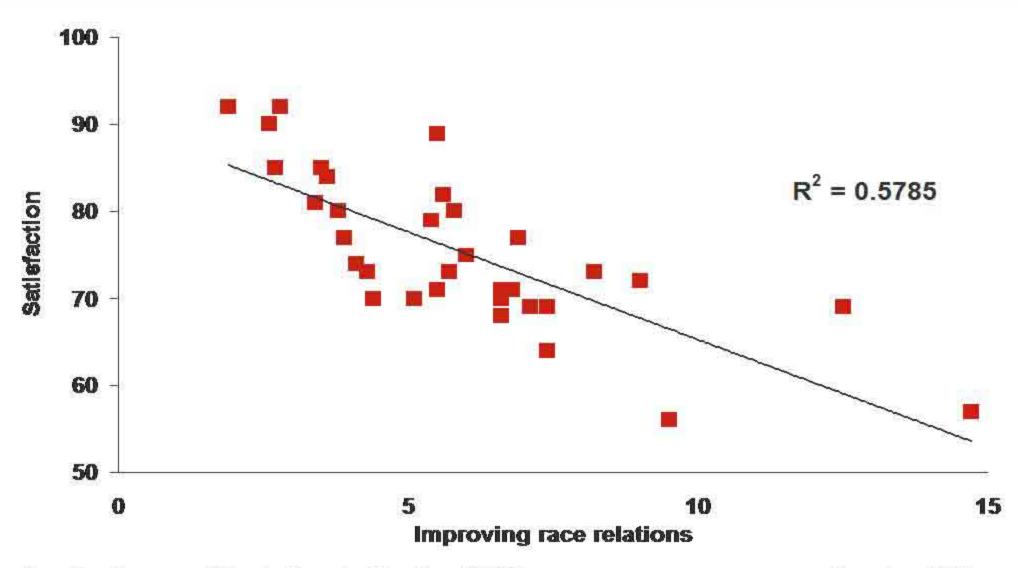
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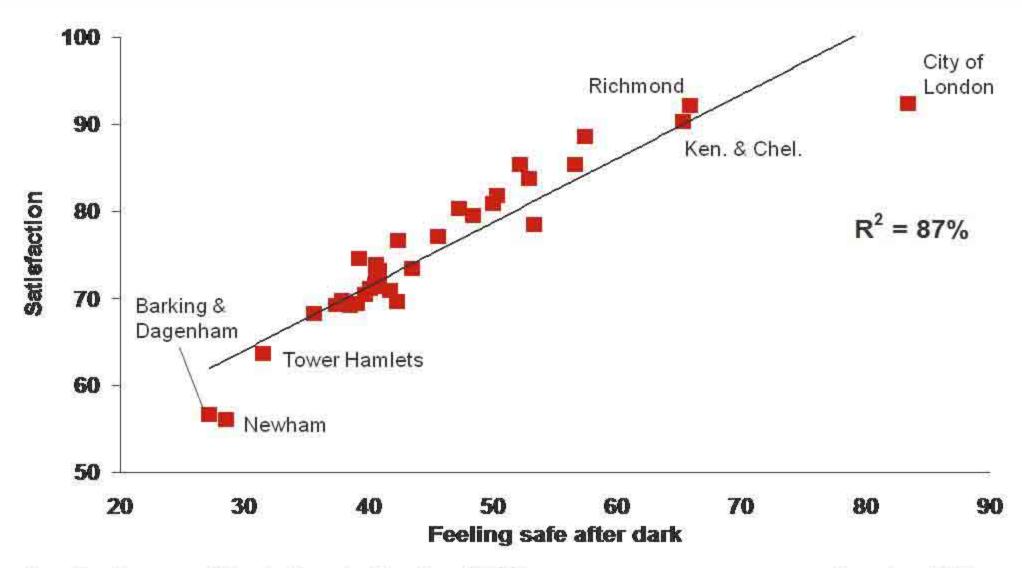
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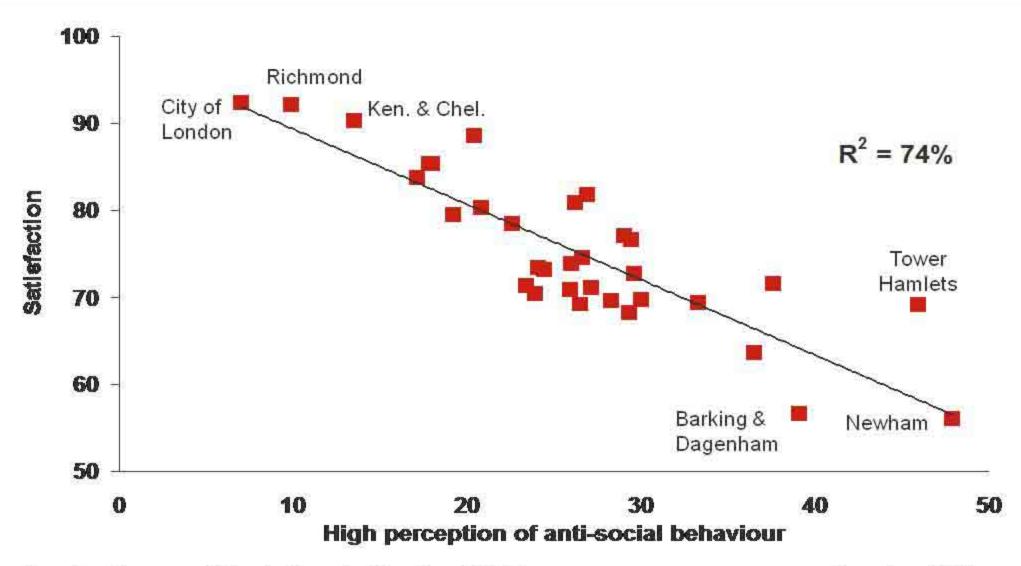
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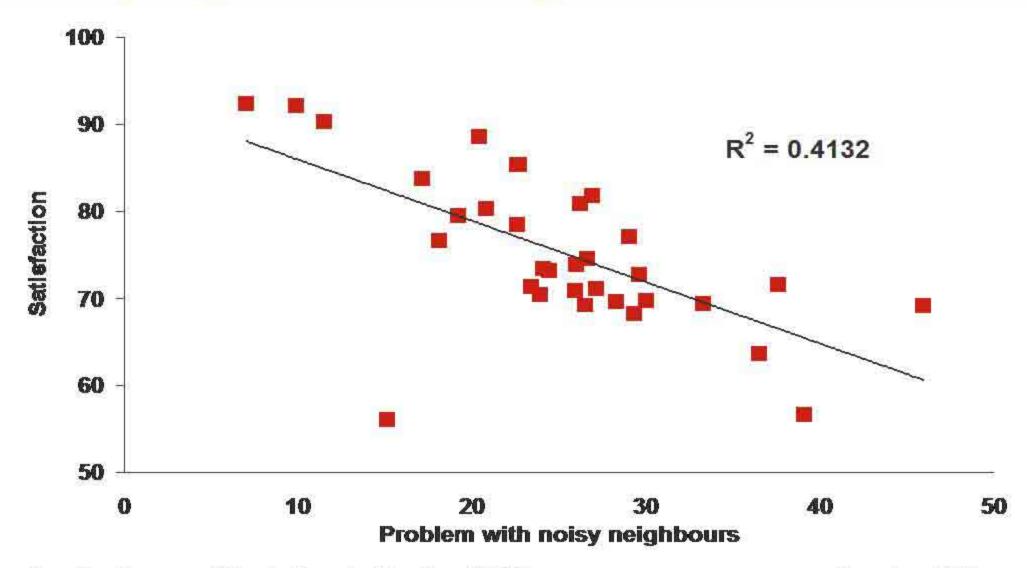
Satisfaction with local area vs feeling safe after dark



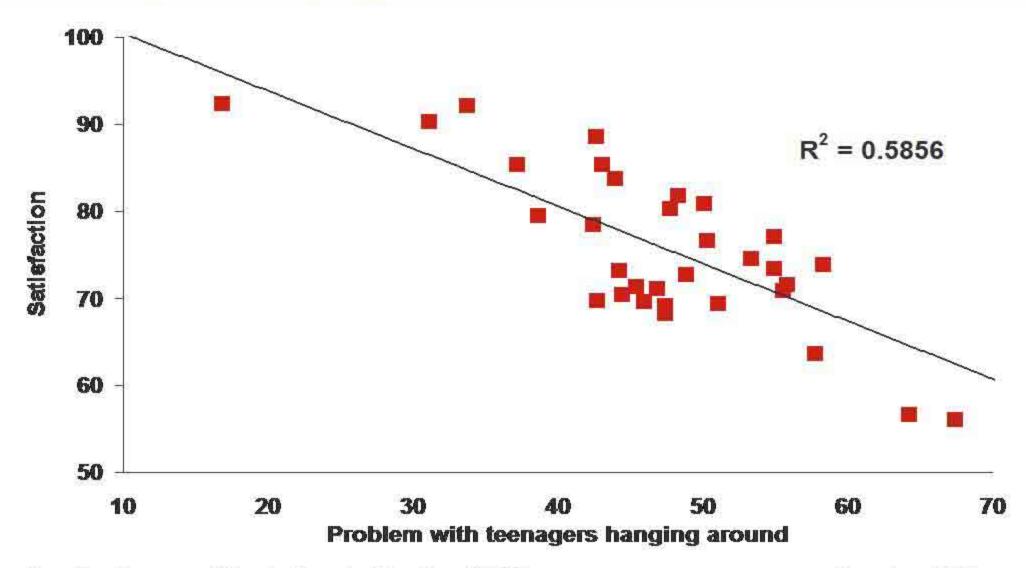
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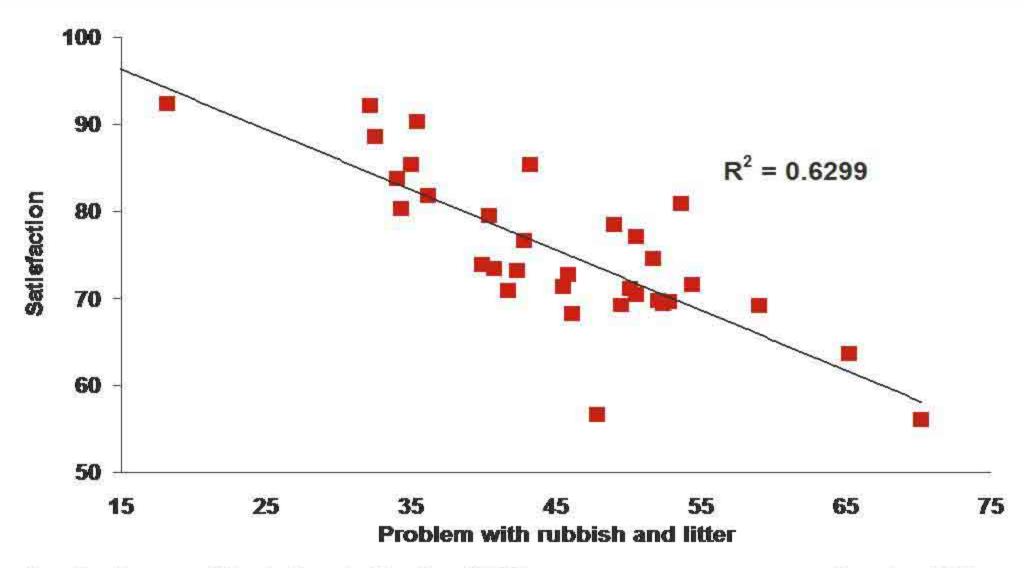
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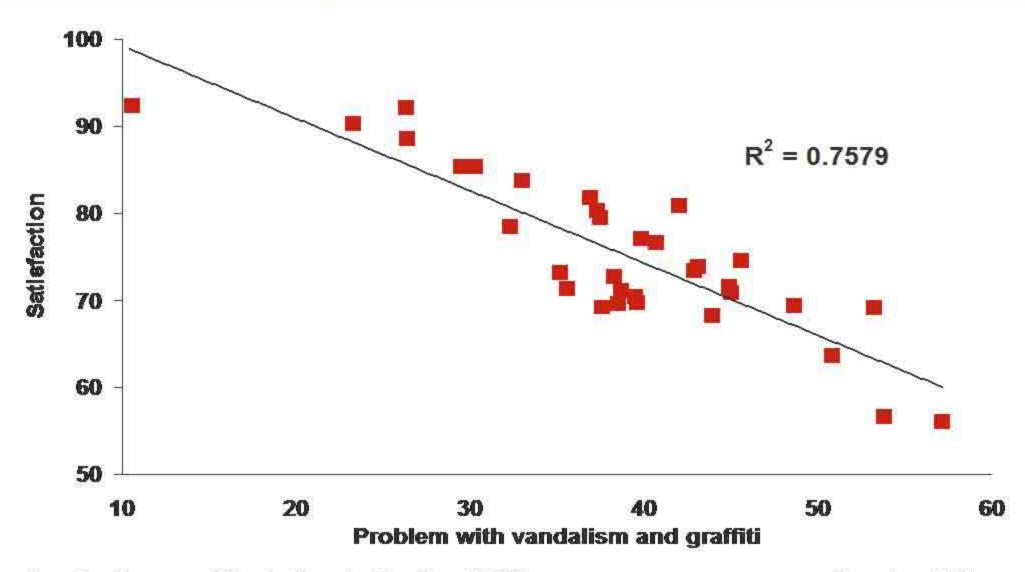
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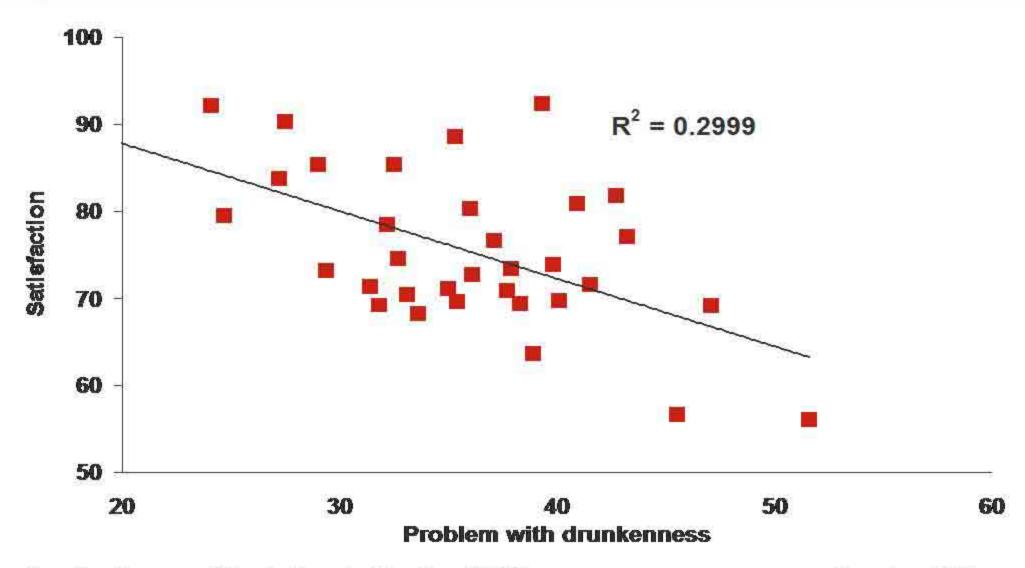
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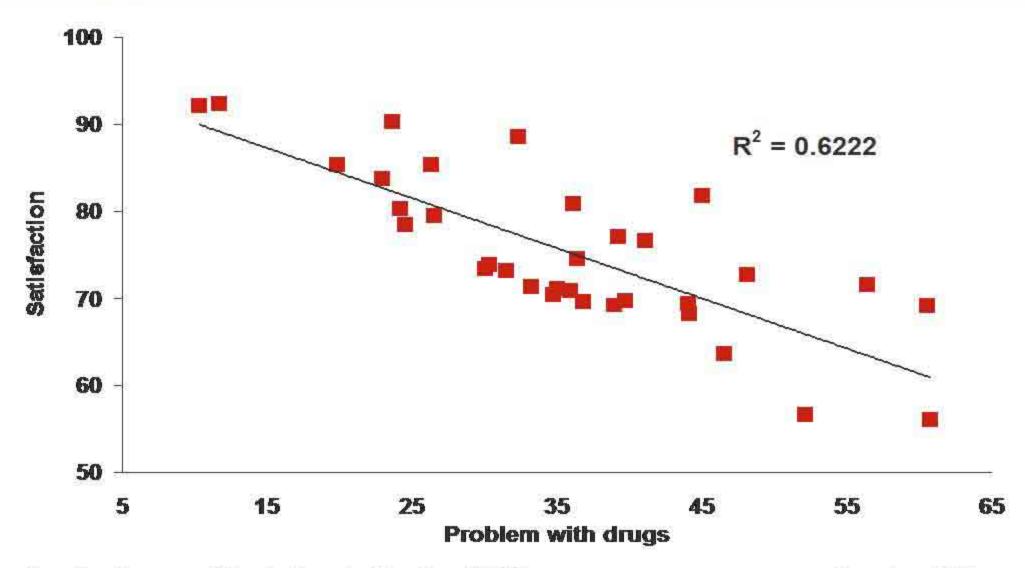
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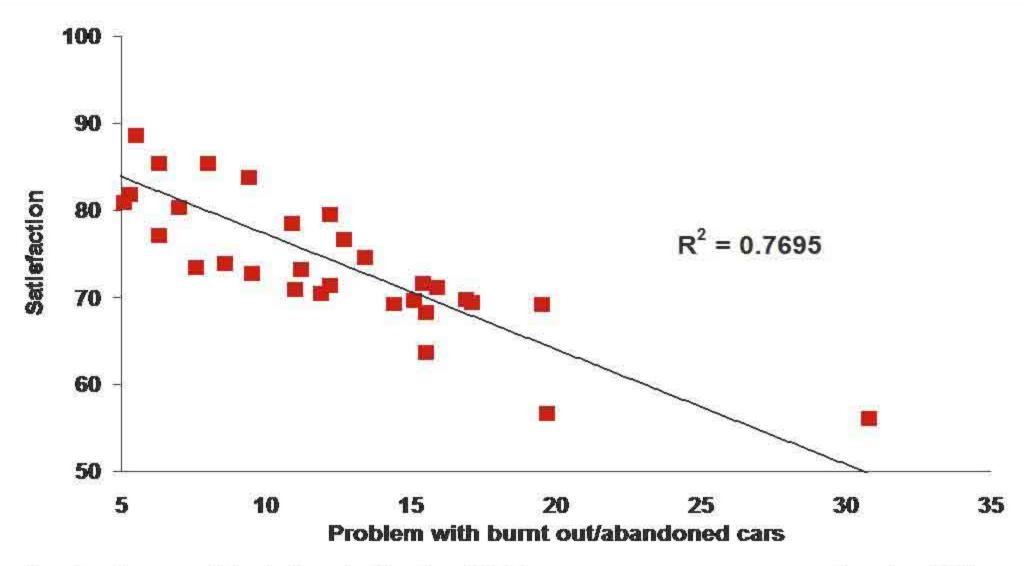
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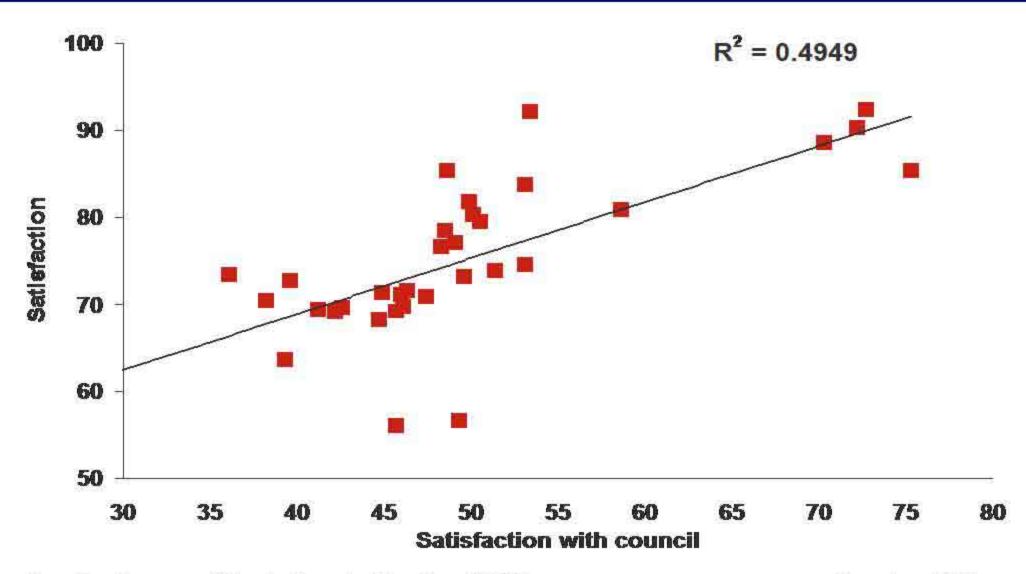
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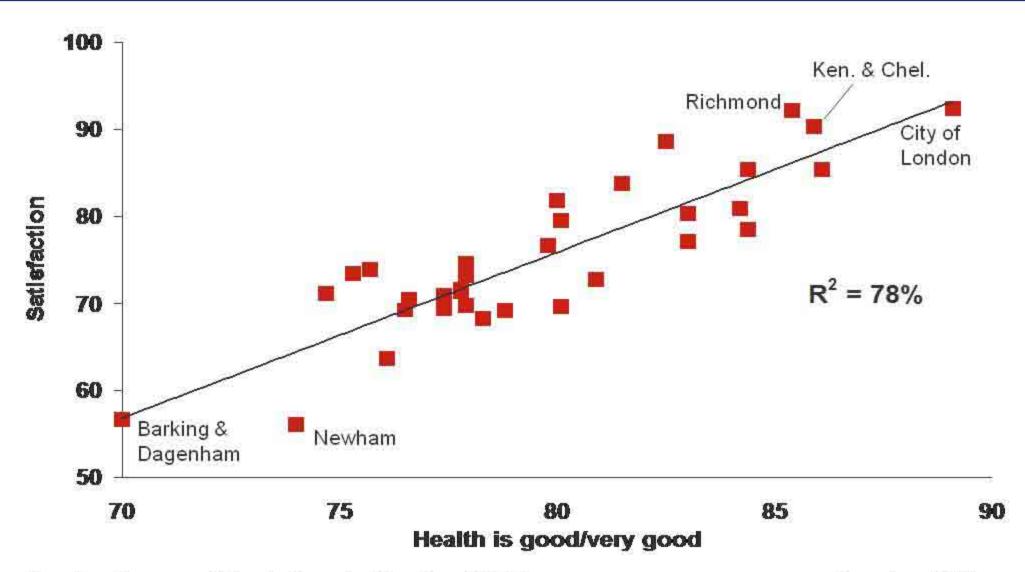
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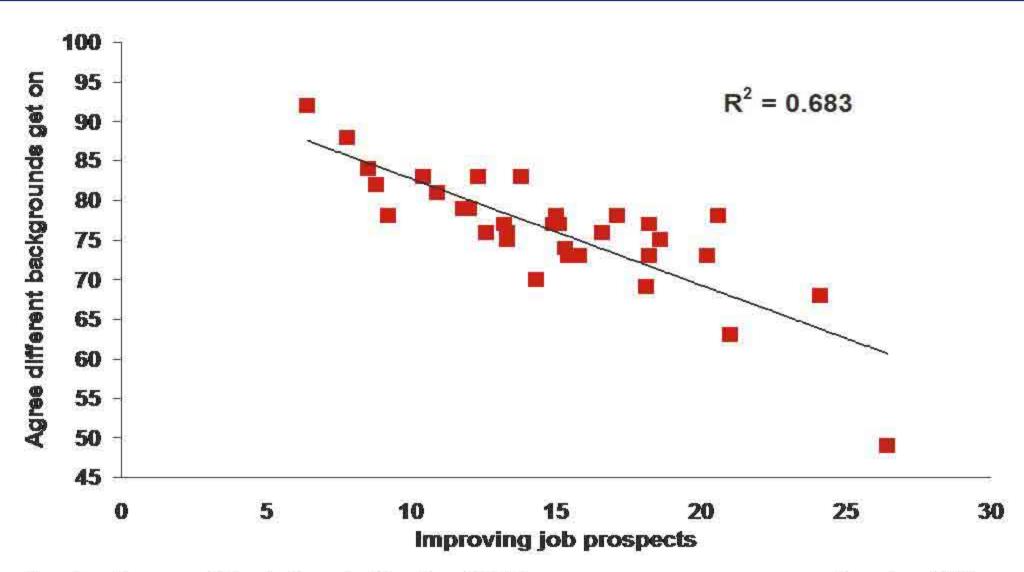
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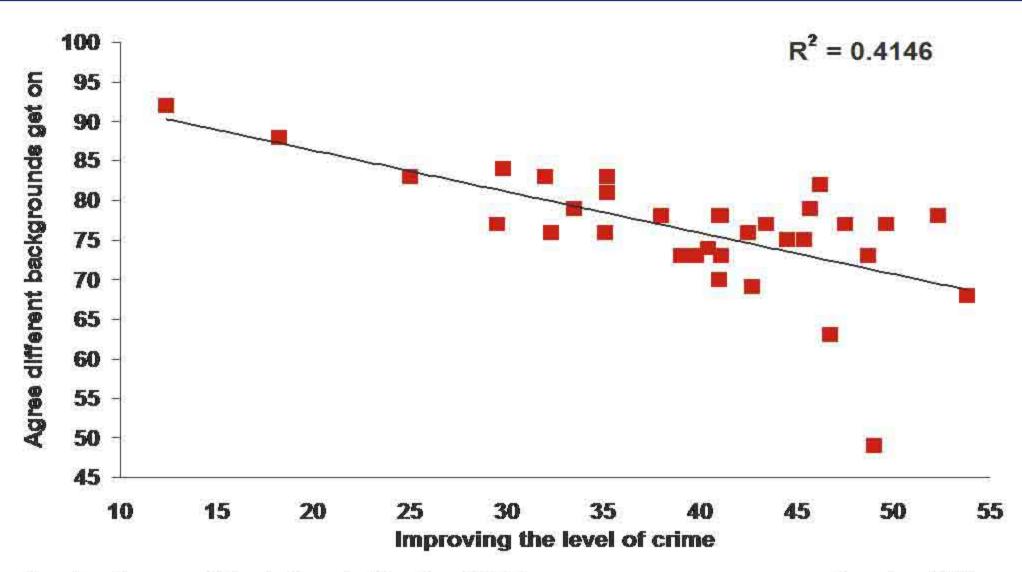
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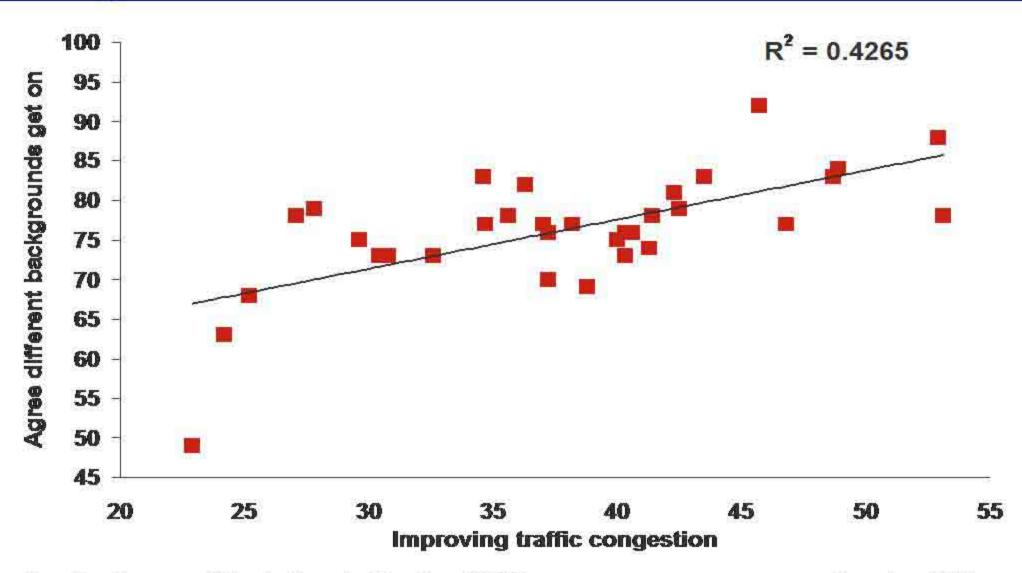
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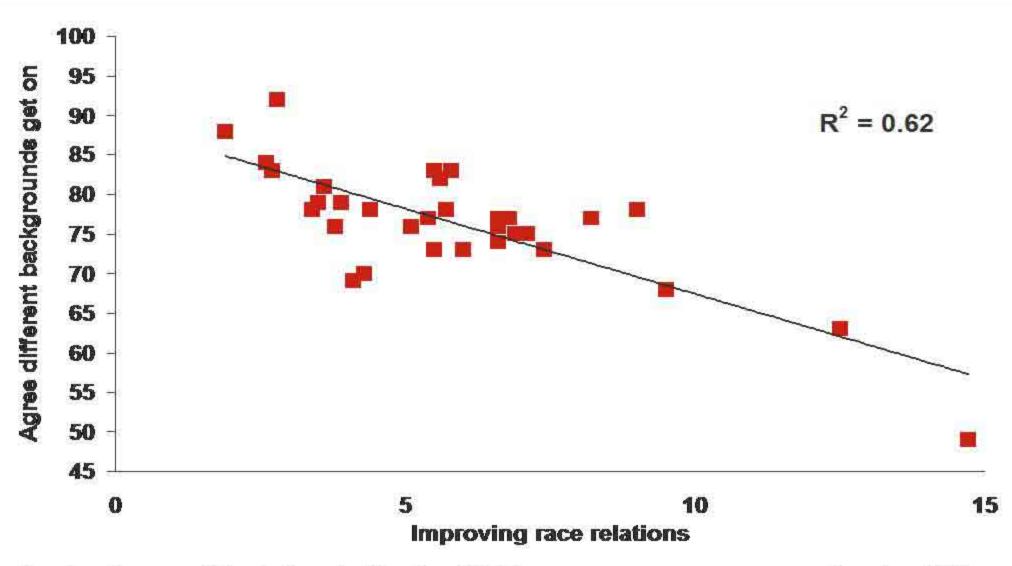
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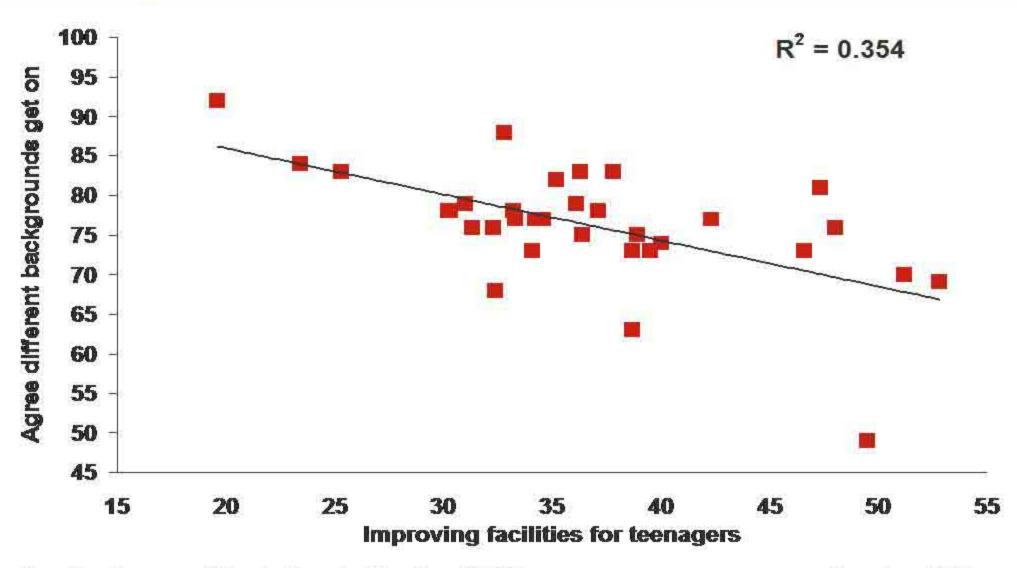
Social cohesion vs improving the level of traffic congestion



Social cohesion vs improving race relations



Social cohesion vs improving facilities for teenagers



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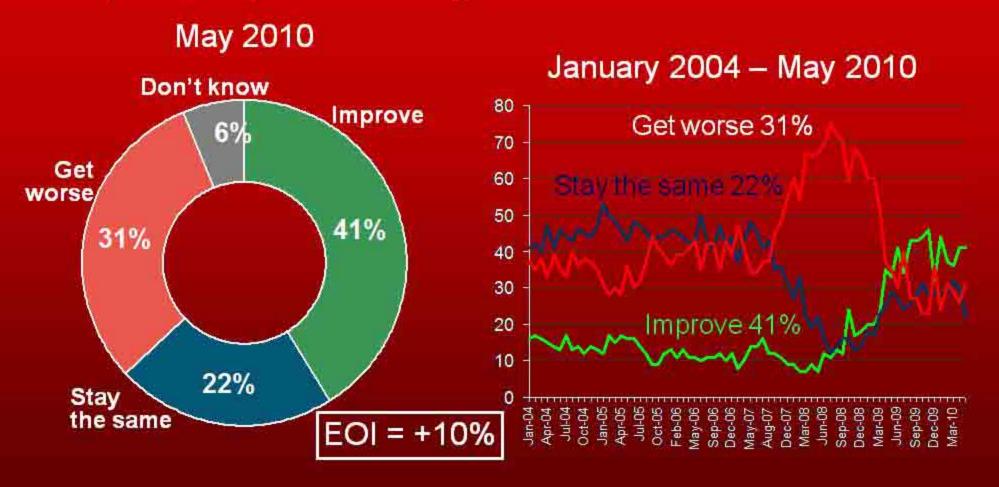
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Economic Optimism

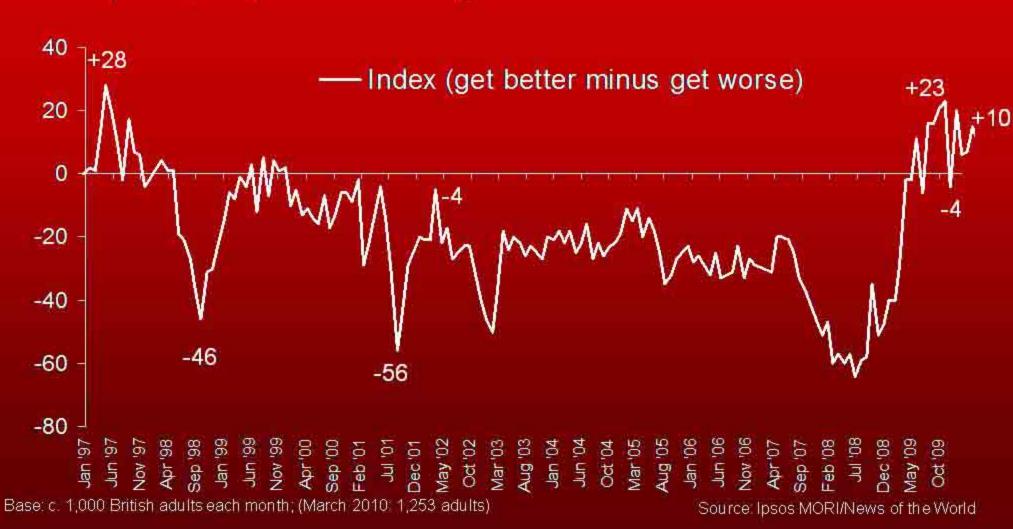
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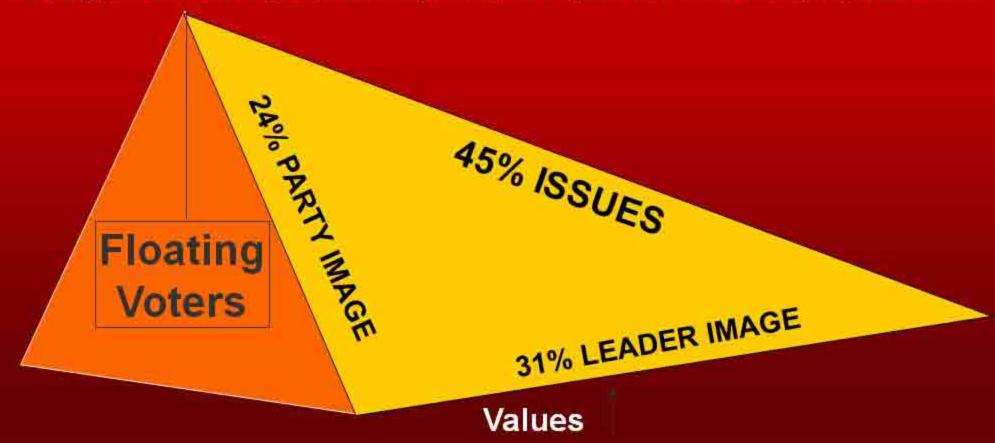
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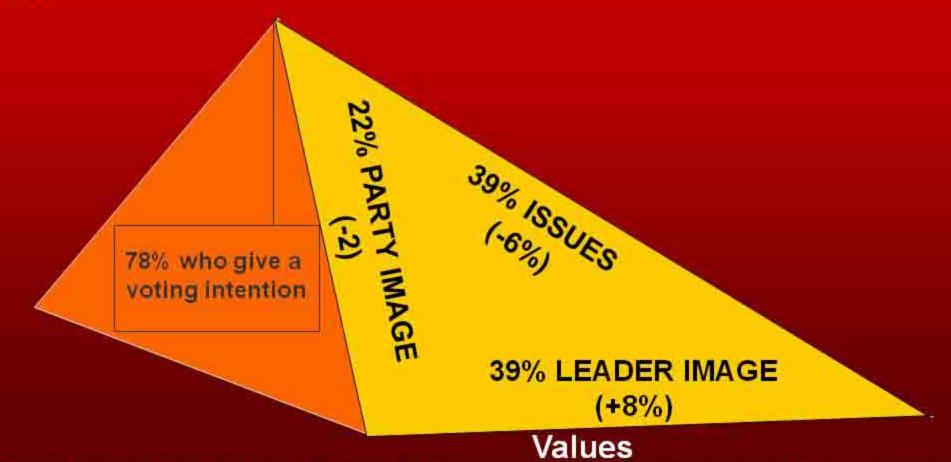


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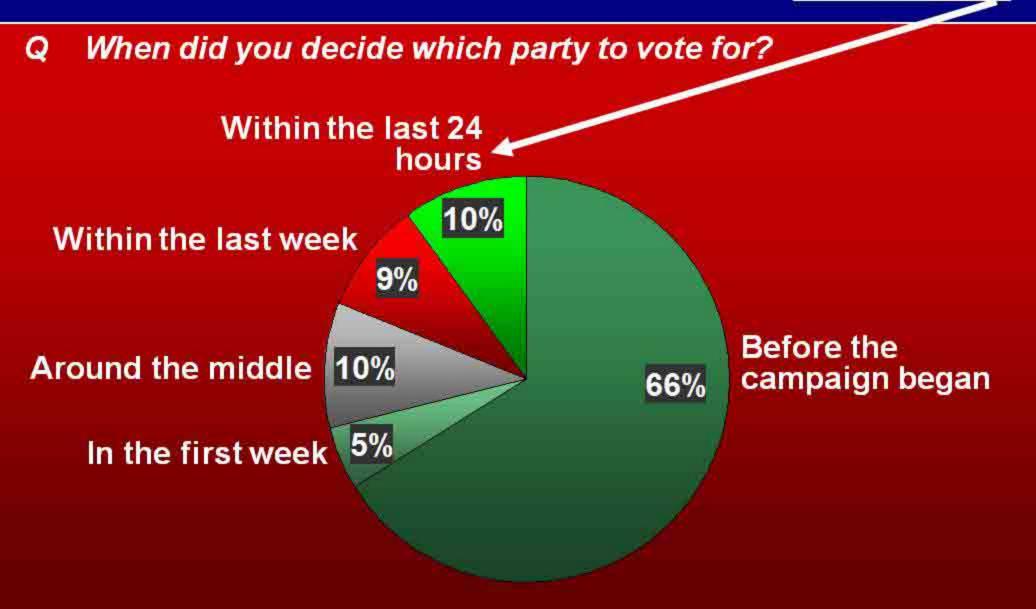
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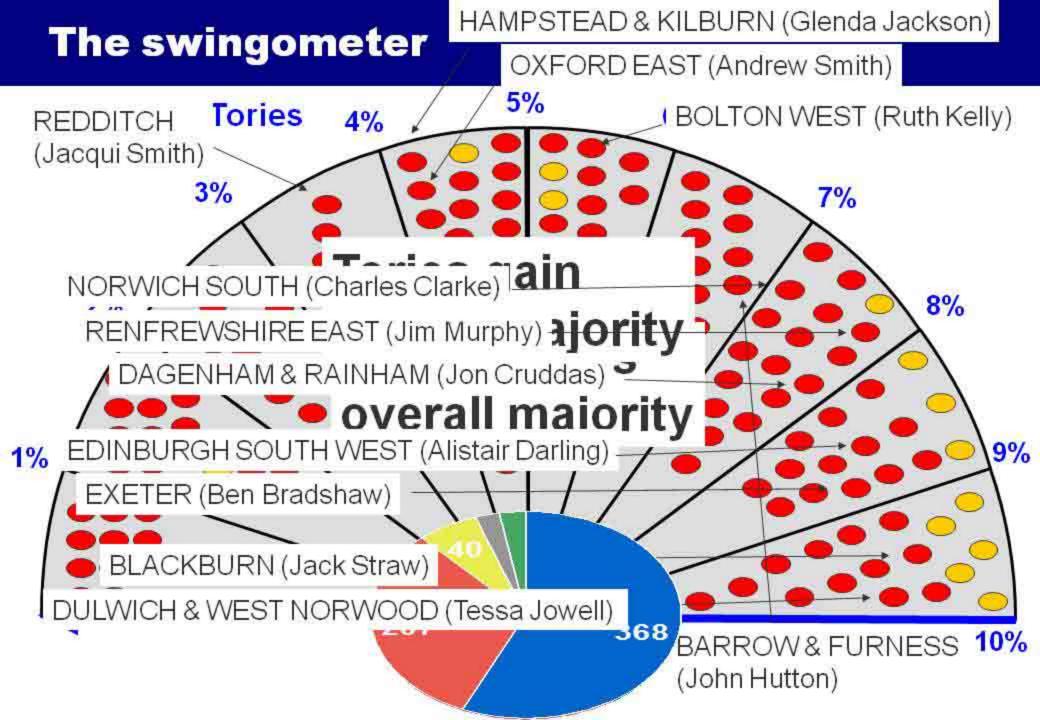
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10% Decide Whether to Vote - or Not - on the Day



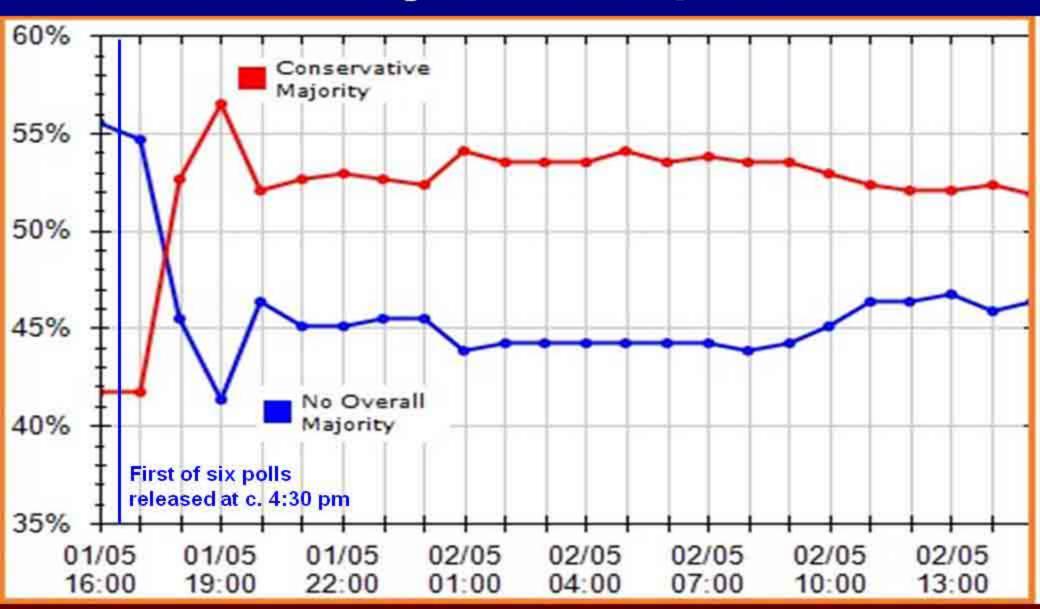
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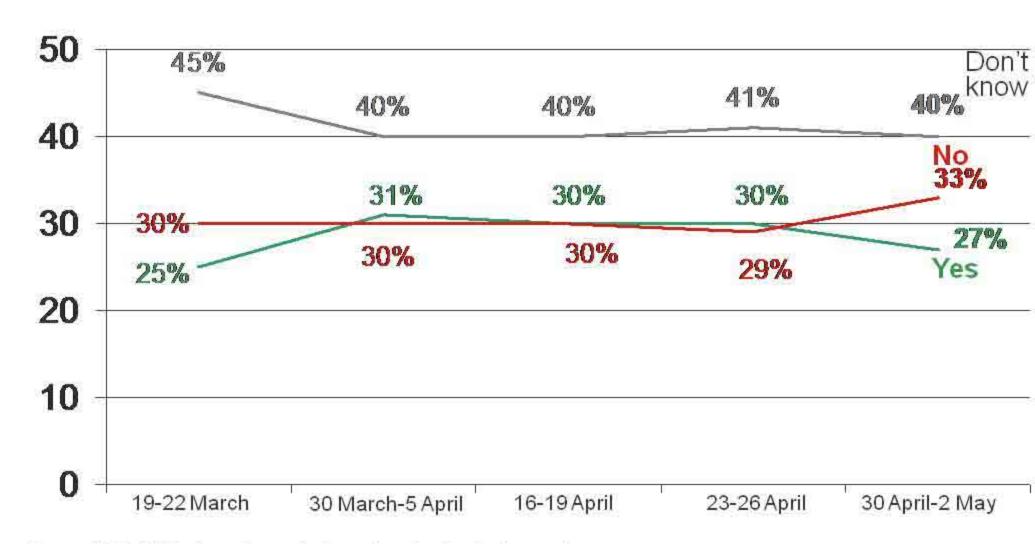
Speculation

Watch the money watch the polls



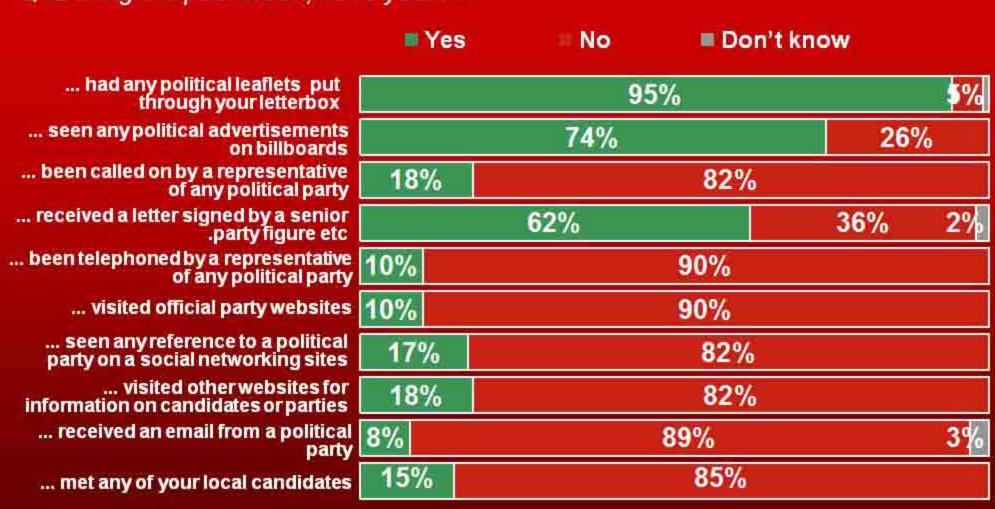
Live in a marginal

Q"As far as you know, do you live in a marginal constituency?"



Exposure to the election campaign

Q "During the past week, have you...?"



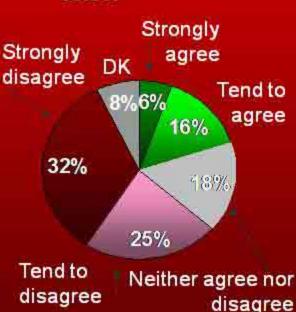
State of the parties

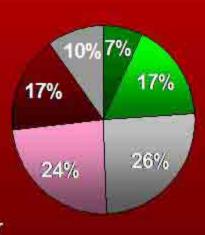
Q ...do you agree or disagree that...

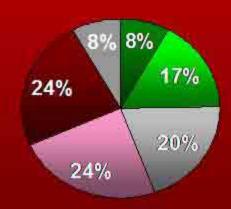
...Political parties in Britain enable the people to have a voice.

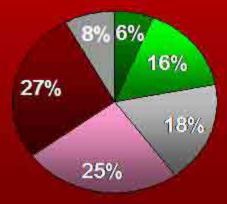
...Political parties are a hindrance to democracy ...Britain would be better off if political parties did not exist, and all politicians were independent

...Political parties in Britain are open and transparent









Base: 973 British adults 15+, 31.8-7.9.06

Source: Ipsos MORI/ Young Foundation

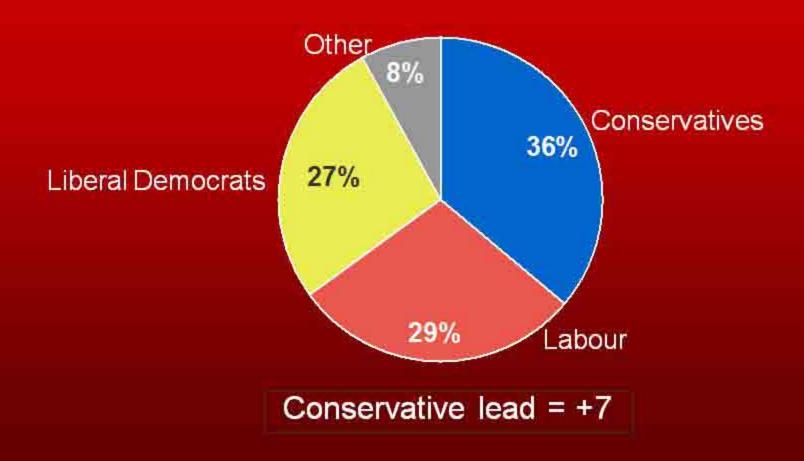
What would make political parties more appealing?

Q Which two or three of the following changes to political parties would help to make political parties more appealing to you?



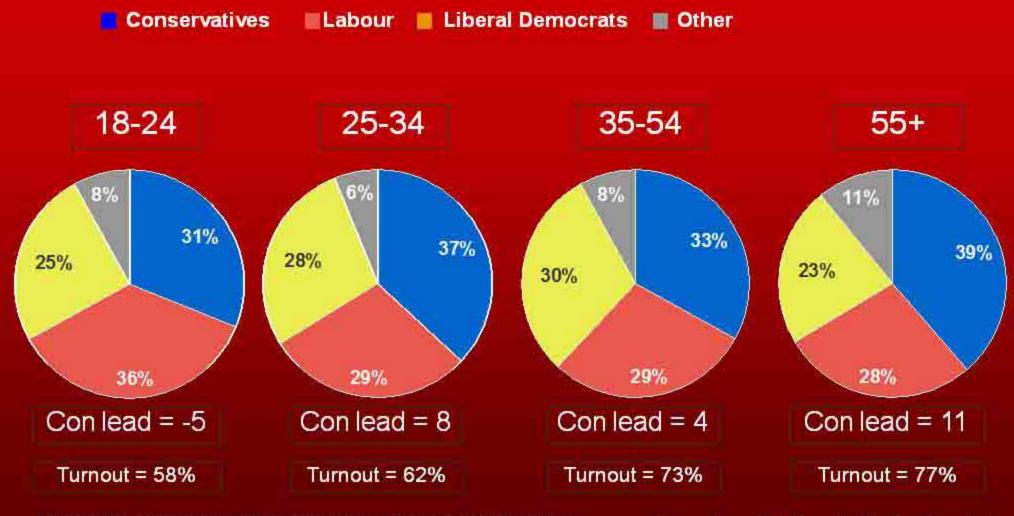
Tories go into election day with 7% lead

Q. "How do you intend to vote in the general election tomorrow?"



Voting Intention by age

Q. "How do you intend to vote in the general election tomorrow?"



Base: 1,216 British electors, 930 certain to vote, by telephone, 5th May 2010

Source: Ipsos MORI/London Evening Standard

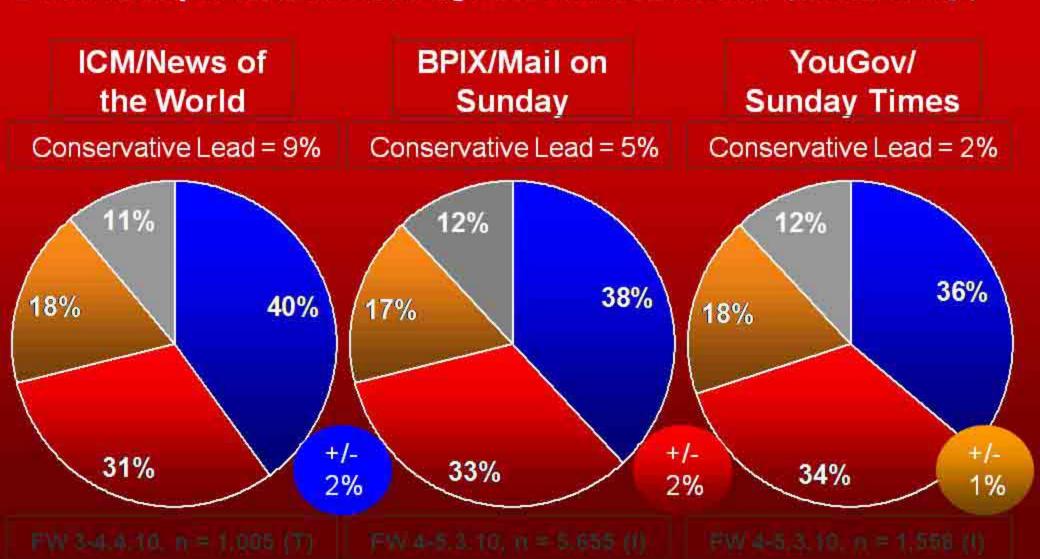
Reporting the Polls

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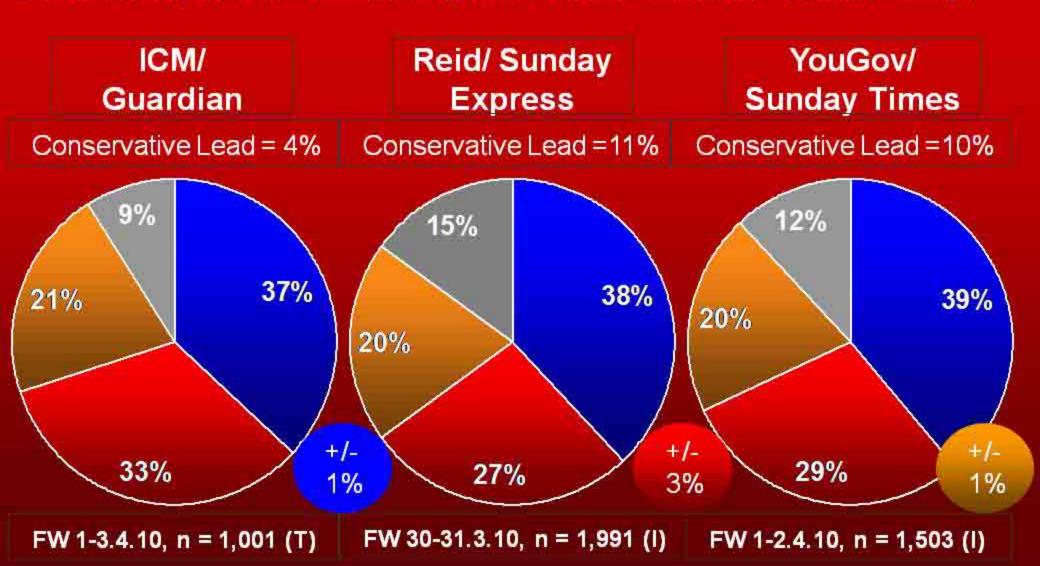
Lesson #1: Watch the share, not the lead ("How can we believe the polls? – Sunday 7.3.10)

Q "How would you vote if there were a general election tomorrow?" (various wordings)



Lesson #1: Watch the share, not the lead ("The polls are in chaos" – 4-5.4.10 – a month later)

Q "How would you vote if there were a general election tomorrow?" (various wordings)



Six simple lessons about reporting the polls which the media don't want to understand

- Lesson #1 Watch the share, not the lead!
- Lesson #2 Watch the fieldwork dates
- Lesson #3 Watch what's happening ("events dear boy, events")
- Lesson #4 Watch how the media express scepticism about the polls
- Lesson #5 And then how the media act as if they are the gospel
- Lesson #6 When a politician tells you he/she doesn't pay any attention to the polls, remember, he/she's lying

Cartoon Slide



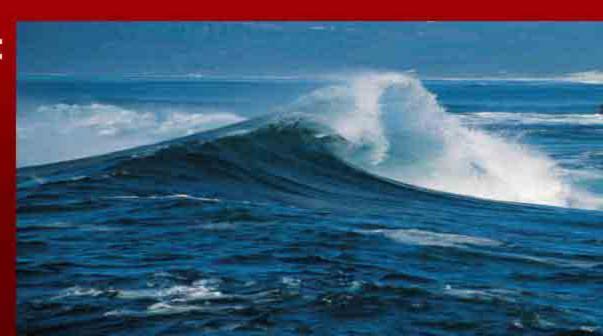
Outline of the Presentation

- Modelling British Politics
- The British Election
- Performance of the Polls
- Reporting the Polls
- Conclusion

Modelling British Politics

Understanding Public Opinion Research

- We measure perceptions, not facts
- Two kinds of findings we bring to our clients: reality, and misperception
- Five things we find: behaviour, knowledge, and...
- three levels of 'views':
 - Opinions
 - Attitudes
 - Values



Personalities & Policies

	Brown	Cameron	Clegg
	%	%	%
I like him and I like his policies	27	35	35
I like him but I do not like his policies	14	16	33
I do not like him but I like his policies	14	9	4
I do not like him and I do not like his policies	41	36	19
Don't know	5	5	10
Total like him	41	51	68
Total do not like him	55	45	23
Net like him	-14	6	45
Total like his policies	41	44	39
Total do not like his policies	55	52	52
Net like his policies	-14	-8	-13
Net like him/like his policies	-28	-2	32

The Basics

What is Public Opinion?

"The 'views' of a defined population"

What, then, is a Public Opinion Poll?

The 'views' of a

[representative sample of a]

defined population

Opinion Research: A Simple Business Really

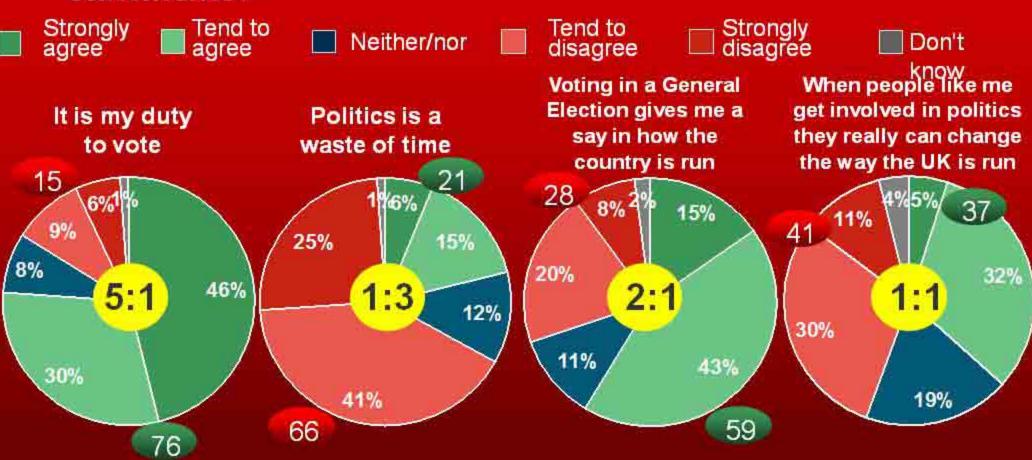
- Ask the right sample...
- the right questions...
- add up the figures correctly...
- report knowledgably and honestly

Reporting knowledgably and honestly

- Follow the Codes
 - Ipsos MORI Terms & Conditions of Contract
 - MRS Code of Conduct
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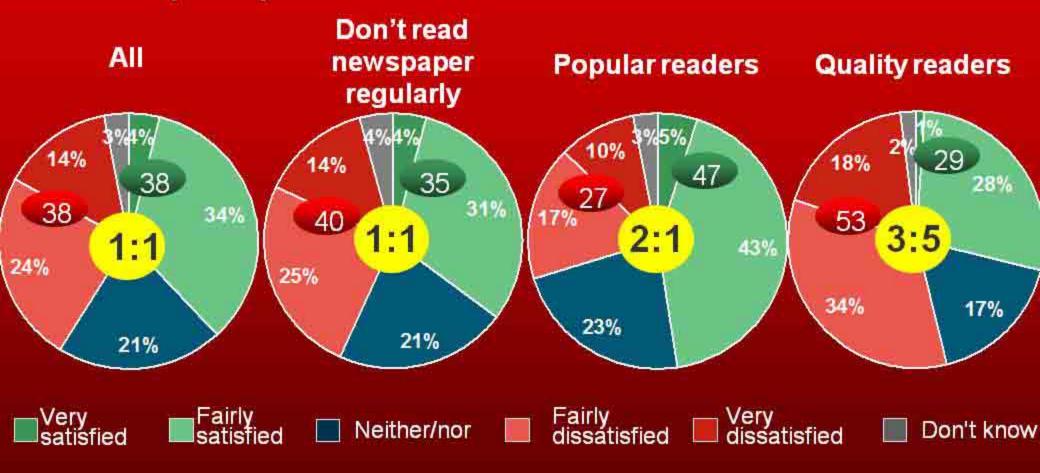
Views of Politics

Q "To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?"



Media reporting of politics – by newspaper readership

Q "How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the way the media reports politics in the UK?"



Interest in Politics

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Q How interested would you say you are in politics?

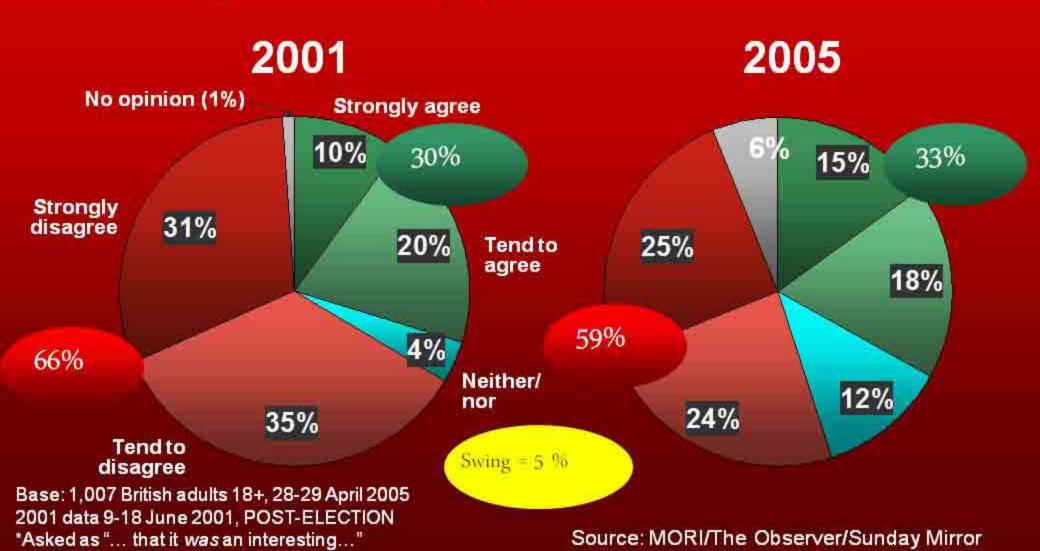


Base: c.2,000 British/UK adults 18+

Source: MORI/JRRT/Electoral Commission, Times, FT

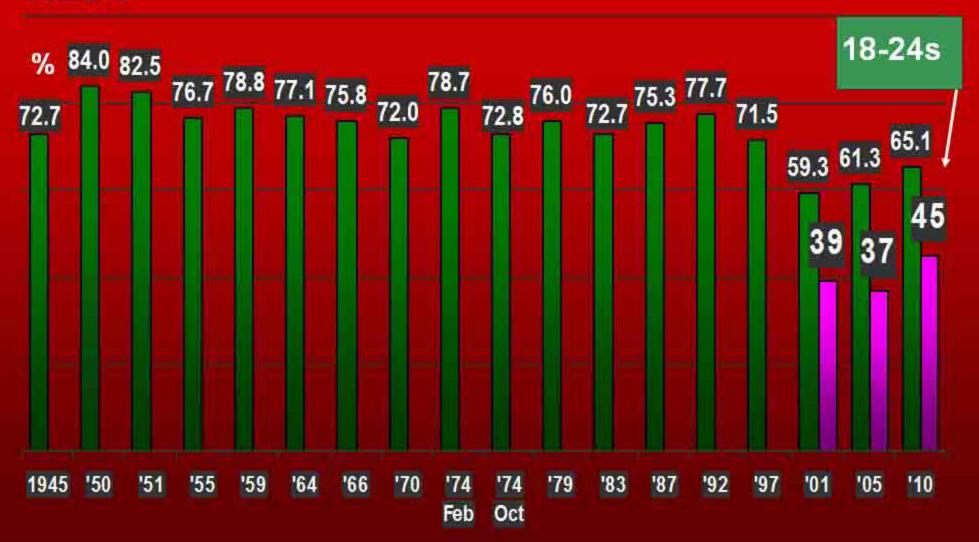
Interest in the Campaign

Q To what extent do you agree or disagree that it is/was an interesting election campaign?

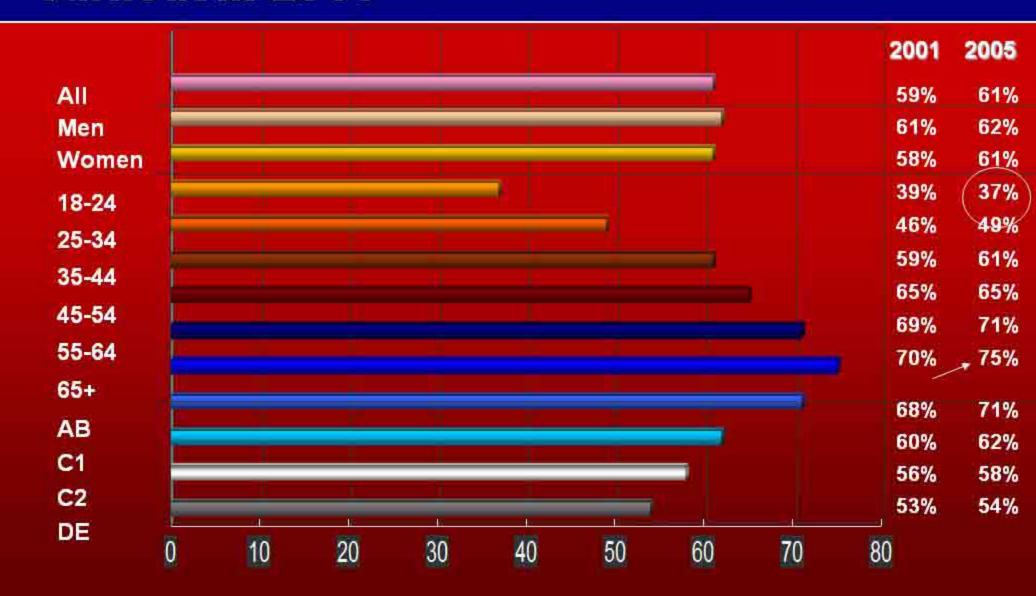


General Election Turnout Since 1945





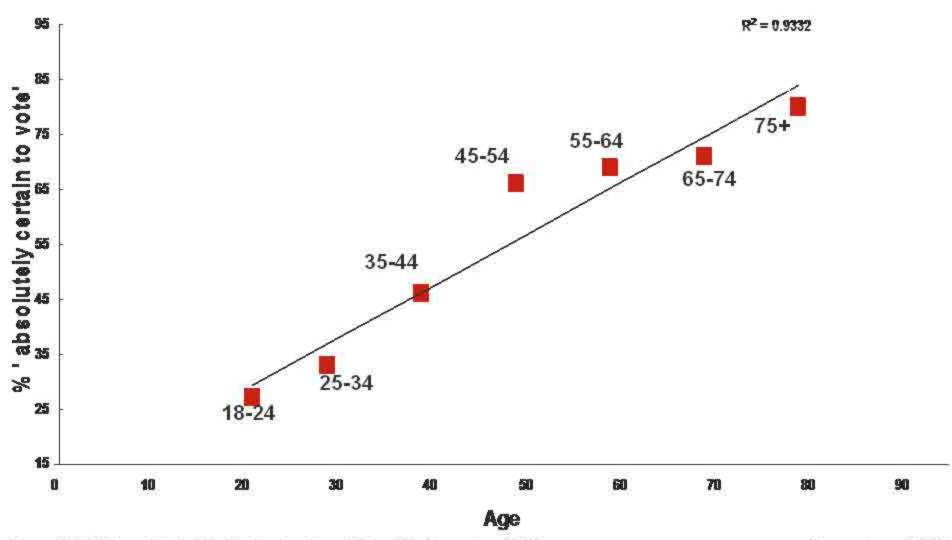
Turnout in 2005



Base: 17,959 interviews 2005 general election

Source: MORI

Likelihood to vote vs age

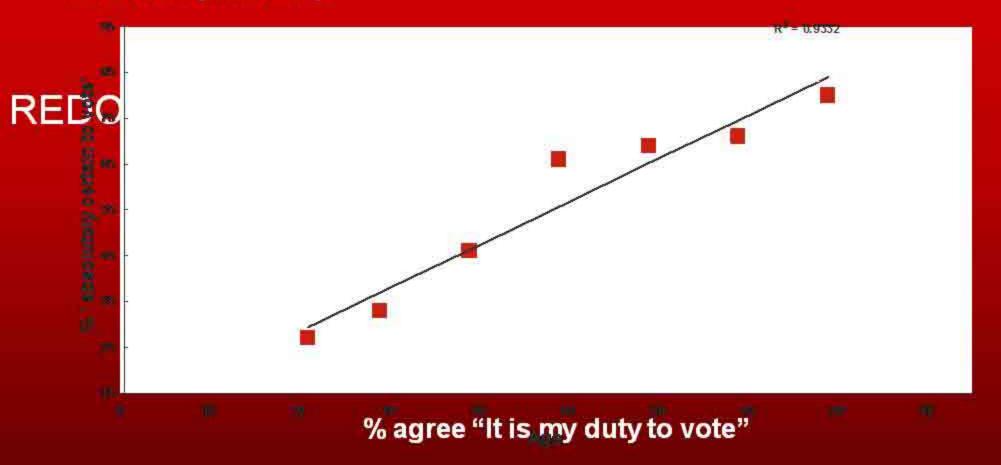


Base: 1,156 18+ adults in GB. Fieldwork dates: 13th - 19th November 2009

Source: Ipsos MORI

Turnout and duty to vote by age

% turnout (estimate)



Base: c. 2,000, 2005 Source: MORI

How Britain voted in 2005

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	SEATS (n)			SHARE OF VOTE (% - GB only)			VOTES (millions – GB only)				
	2001	2005	Change	2001	2005	Change	2001	2005	Change		
Conservative	166	197	+31	32.7	33.2	+0.5	8.36	8.77	+0.41		
Labour	413	356	-57	42.0	36.2	-5.8	10.72	9.56	-1.16		
Lib Dems	52	62	+10	18.8	22.6	+3.8	4.81	5.98	+1.17		
SNP	5	6	+1	1.8	1.6	-0.3	0.66	0.41	-0.25		
PC	4	3	-1	8.0	0.7	-0.1	0.20	0.17	-0.03		
Refer/UKIP	0	0	0	1.5	2.3	+0.8	0.39	0.62	+0.23		
Others	19	21	+2	2.4	3.4	+1.0	0.61	0.90	+0.29		
TOTAL	659	645	-14*	100.0	100.0		25.56	26.41	+0.85		
Majority	167	67	-100	9.3	3.0	-6.3		+2.2			
Swing						-31					

Disengaged electorate
 Dissatisfaction with Labour's performance/lraq/Blair

Sources "Explaining Labour's Landslide, ELSL, Explaining Labour's Landslip", Worcester & Mortimore (+Baines)

Swingo 2010@ (working model based on 40/30/20/10)

Swingo 2010 (including boundary changes)*							
FOR COMPARISON OF DIFFERING POLL RESULTS							
VOTE SHARE 1 BASED ON 2005 ELECTION RESULT	Con	Lab	LD	Other	NI	L-C swing	
ENTER VOTE SHARE 1 HERE:	33.2	36.1	22.7	8.0		0.0%	
ENTER VOTE SHARE 2 HERE:	40.0	30.0	20.0	10.0		6.5%	
SEATS WON ON NATIONAL UNIFORM SWING (SHARE 1)	209	349	62	12	18		
Share 1 seats exceeed or fall short of majority by:	-117	23				50	
SHARE 1: OVERALL MAJORITY OF 50							
Change caused by boundary revision	+12	-7	0	-1	0		
Change caused by uniform swing	-1	0	0	+1	0		
Total net change	+11	-7	0	0	//0		
SEATS WON ON NATIONAL UNIFORM SWING (SHARE 2)	323	247	48	14	18		
Share 2 seats exceed or fall short of majority by:	-3	-79				NOM	
SHARE 2: NO OVERALL MAJORITY							
Change caused by boundary revision	+12	-7	0	-1	0		
Change caused by uniform swing	+145	-158	-4	+4	10	Source:	
Total net change	+157	-165	-4	+3	0	Ipsos MORI	
*Rallings & Thrasher, "Media Guide to the New Parliamentary Constituencies" (BBC/ITN/PA/Sky, 2007) (Speaker is in "Other")							

Swingo 2010@ (Ipsos MORI/Mirror, Jan., based on 51% turnout)

Swingo 2010 (including boundary changes)* FOR COMPARISON OF DIFFERING POLL RESULTS L-C swing VOTE SHARE 1 BASED ON 2005 ELECTION RESULT Lab LD Other Con ENTER VOTE SHARE 1 HERE: 33.2 36.1 22.7 8.0 0.0% 37.0 32.0 19.0 12.0 4.0% ENTER VOTE SHARE 2 HERE SEATS WON ON NATIONAL UNIFORM SWING (SHARE 1) 209 349 18 62 12 50 Share 1 seats exceeed or fall short of majority by: -117 23 S HARE 1: OVERALL MAJORITY OF 50 Change caused by boundary revision +12LIB/LAB Change caused by uniform swing -1 PACT +11Total net change +13 275 18 SEATS WON ON NATIONAL UNIFORM SWING (SHARE 2) 294 47 16 MOM Share 2 seats exceed or fall short of majority by: -51 -32 SHARE 2: NO OVERALL MAJORITY Change caused by boundary revision +12Source: -111 Change caused by uniform swing +97Ipsos -5 Total net change +109-118 MORI

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Swingo 2010@ (Ipsos MORI/Mirror, Jan., based on 78% turnout)

Swingo 2010 (including boundary changes)* FOR COMPARISON OF DIFFERING POLL RESULTS

VOTE SHARE 1 BASED ON 2005 ELECTION RESULT	Con	Lab	LD	Other	NI	L-C swing		
ENTER VOTE SHARE 1 HERE:	33.2	36.1	22.7	8.0		0.0%		
ENTER VOTE SHARE 2 HERE:	38.0	34.0	17.0	11.0		3.5%		
SEATS WON ON NATIONAL UNIFORM SWING (SHARE 1)	209	349	62	12	18			
Share 1 seats exceeed or fall short of majority by:	-117	23				50		
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Change caused by boundary revision	+12	-7	0	-1	0	LIB/LAB		
Change caused by uniform swing	-1	0	0	+1	0	PACT		
Total net change	+11	-7	0	0	0	+13		
SEATS WON ON NATIONAL UNIFORM SWING (SHARE 2)	278	300	38	16	18			
Share 2 seats exceed or fall short of majority by:	-48	-26		<u>,</u>		NOM		
SHARE 2: NO OVERALL MAJORITY								
Change caused by boundary revision	+12	-7	0	-1	0	Source:		
Change caused by uniform swing	+100	-105	-14	+6	0	Ipsos		
Total net change	+112	-112	-14	+5	0	MORI		
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Swingo 2010[®] (PollTrack up to 17th March, based on 60% + 2% marginals effect + LibDems at 21%, others 10%)

Swingo 2010 (including boundary changes)* FOR COMPARISON OF DIFFERING POLL RESULTS

VOTE SHARE 1 BASED ON 2005 ELECTION RESULT	Con	Lab	LD	Other	NI	L-C swing
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Change caused by uniform swing	<i>-1</i>	0	0	+1	0	PACT+20
Total net change	+11	-7	0	0	0	
SEATS WON ON NATIONAL UNIFORM SWING (SHARE 2)	270	290	56	16	18	
Share 2 seats exceed or fall short of majority by:	-56	-36		i i		NOM
S HARE 2: NO OVERALL MAJORITY	i					
Change caused by boundary revision	+12	-7	0	-1	0	Source:
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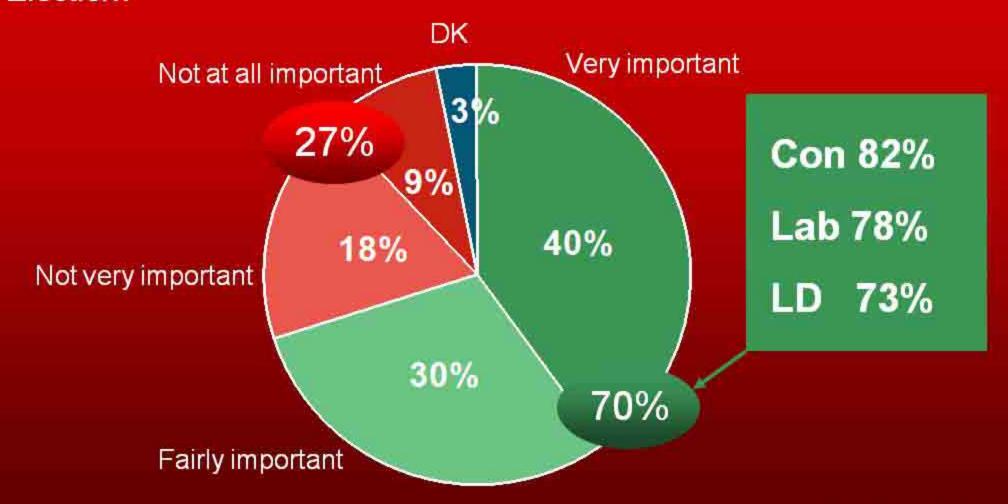
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SEATS WON ON NATIONAL UNIFORM SWING (SHARE 1)	209	349	62	12	18	
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SHARE 1: OVERALL MAJORITY OF 50						
Change caused by boundary revision	+12	-7	0	-1	0	LIB/LAB
Change caused by uniform swing	-1	0	0	+1	Ö	PACT
Total net change	+11	-7	0	0	0	+11
SEATS WON ON NATIONAL UNIFORM SWING (SHARE 2)	279	282	55	16	18	
Share 2 seats exceed or fall short of majority by:	-47	44				NOM
SHARE 2: NO OVERALL MAJORITY						
Change caused by boundary revision	+12	-7	0	-1	Ö	Source:
Change caused by uniform swing	+101	-123	+3	+6	0	Ipsos
Total net change	+113	-130	+3	+5	Ö	MORI

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How important is the election result?

Q "How important is it to you personally who wins the next General Election?"





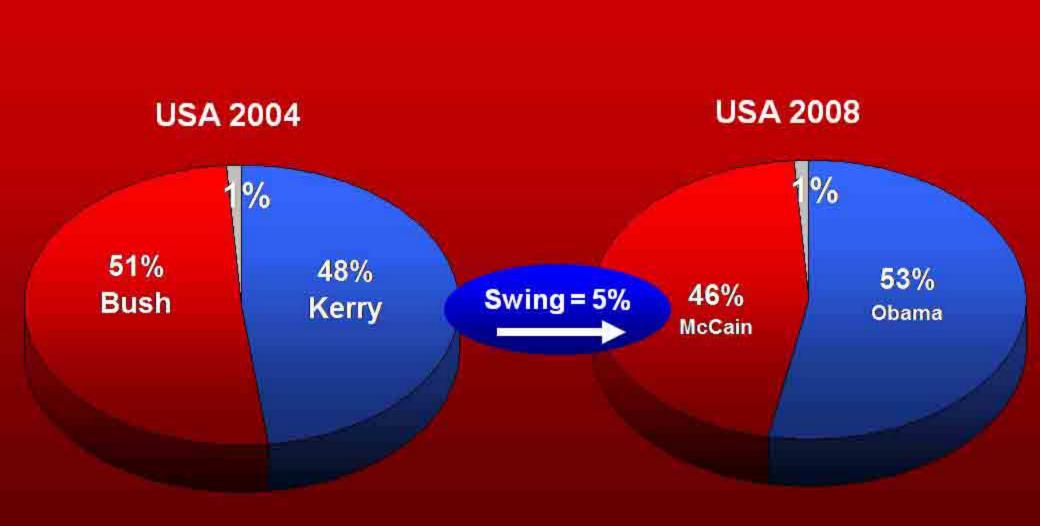
The American Election 2008

"Where and Who Elected a Black, Liberal, Intellectual"

Chronology

- The head wanted Clinton
- The heart wanted Obama
- The shock of lowa
- The recovery in New Hampshire
- The key decision
- The Conventions
- The long campaigns
- The final campaigns
- The outcome

USA: The Outcome



"Where and Who Elected a Black, Liberal, Intellectual"

- State by State: Average National Swing = 5.0%
 - Negative States

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* Arkansas - 5.5%
* Louisana - 2.0%
* Tennessee - 0.5%
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The Big Swings

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Hawaii
                    + 18%
       Indiana
                    + 11%
       North Dakata
                    + 9.5%
*
       Delaware
                    + 9.0%
       Nebraska
                    + 9.0%
       Montana
                    + 8.5%
       Utah
                     + 8.5%
                     + 8.5%
       Vermont
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"Where and Who Elected a Black, Liberal, Intellectual"

Demographics

- All Voters 5.0%
- Surprises

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- * Latino
- * 1st timers
- Union members
- * Whites

17.0% (t/o 3% to 6%!)

13.5% (pundits wrong)

16.0% (no surprise there)

0.0% (despite promises)

2.5%

The "Special Relationship"

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- Is NOT about what 'Joe Bloggs' or 'John Doe' thinks
- IS about four key relationships:
- 1. Defence
- 2. Intelligence
- 3. Nuclear
- 4. Business

 AND, a sharing of common language, common values, shared history and shared systems of governance.

Special Relationship

President Barack Obama telephone call to Prime Minister David Cameron 11 May 2010:

"deep personal commitment to the special relationship" between Britain and the United States"

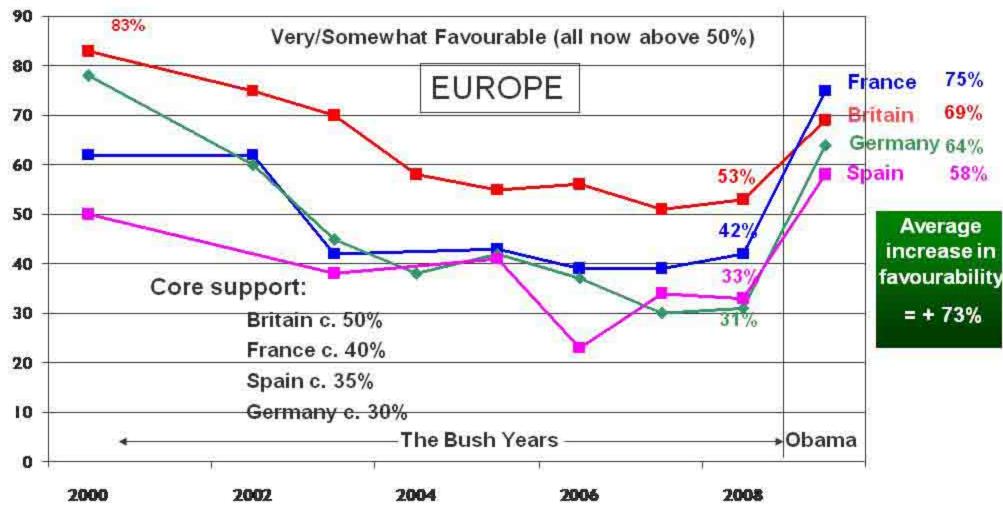
American Ambassador Louis Susman speech to the Pilgrim Society:

"Over the last few months there has been comment in some circles that the special relationship between our countries has diminished. Anyone who accepts that analysis is wrong and is ignoring the lessons of history. In war and in peace, in prosperity and in times of economic hardship, America has no better friend and no more dependable ally than the United Kingdom."

Rest of the World?

Favourable views of the USA - 2000 - 2009

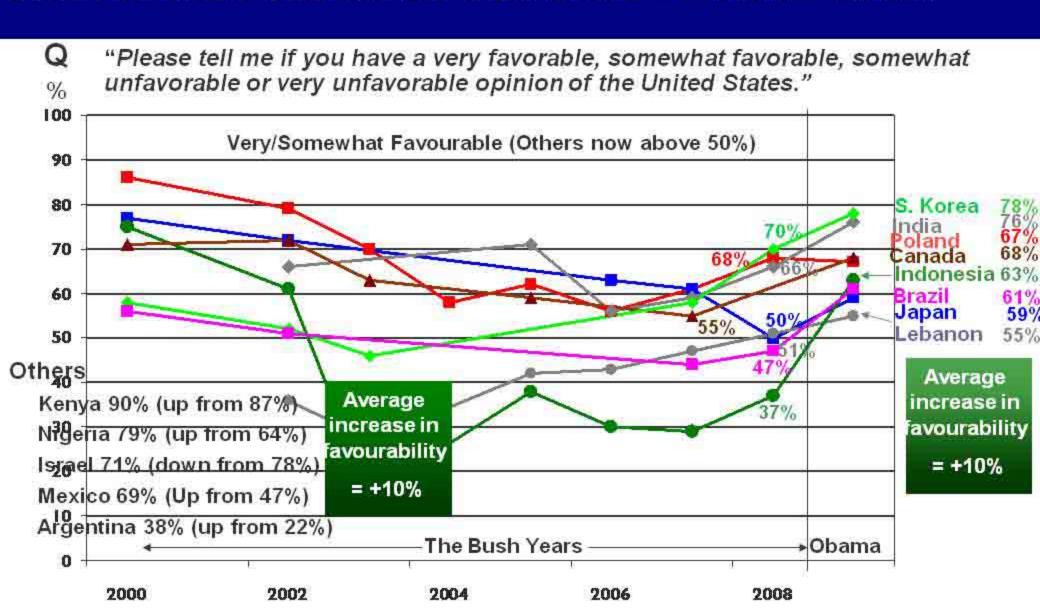
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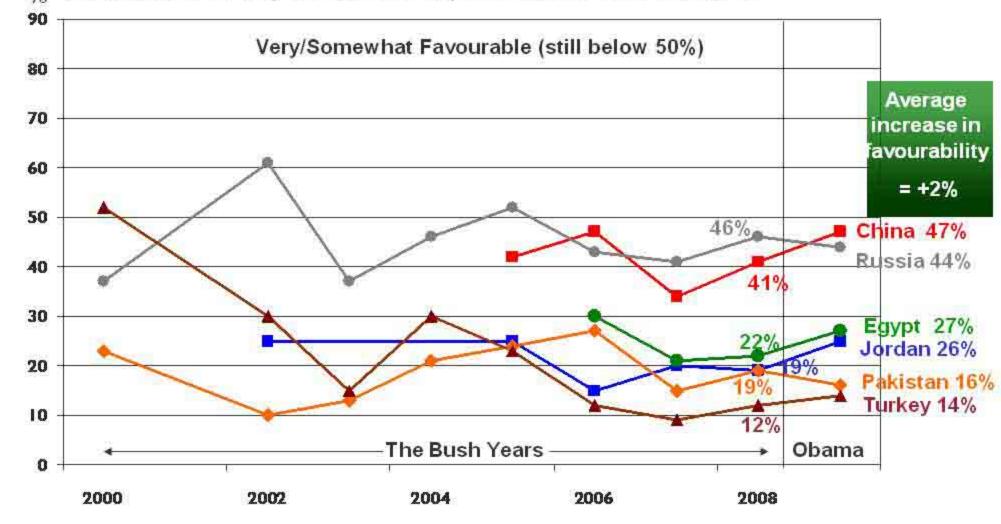


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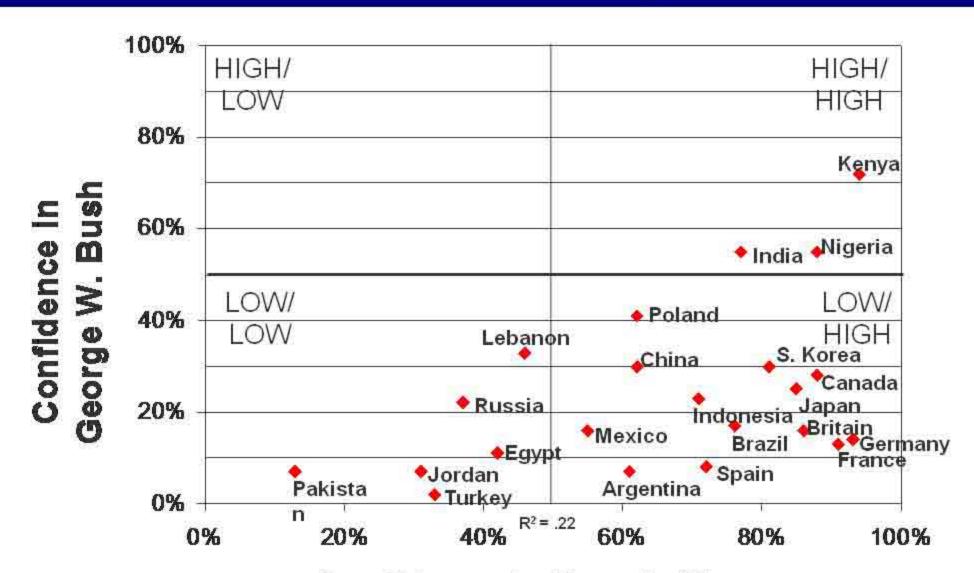
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Low Confidence in Bush, Most high on Obama



Confidence in Barack Obama

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Source: Pew Global Attitudes Project 2008/9