

# YouGov / TaxPayers' Alliance Survey Results

Sample Size: 2157

Fieldwork: 6th - 8th January 2009

Tax Payer's Alliance

**All GB Adults**

Unweighted Sample

	Voting Intention			EU Voting Intention				Gender		Age			Social Grade		Region					Euro referendum		
	Total	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	UKIP	M	F	18-34	35-54	55+	ABC1	C2DE	London	Rest of South	Midlands / Wales	North	Scotland	In favour	Against
<b>2157</b>					502	422	218	108	1036	1121	676	714	767	1164	993	271	694	466	533	193	521	1369
	776	557	228		519	431	216	119	999	1158	563	715	879	1313	844	329	713	407	524	184	547	1360
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

The European Elections, which will elect the Members of the European Parliament (MEPs), will be held on the 4th of June this year.

Which party do you think you will vote for at these European elections?

[Excluding Don't Knows and Wouldn't Vote; n=1,494]

Con	35	81	2	2	100	0	0	0	31	38	33	32	38	40	27	38	45	37	26	11	21	42
Lab	29	2	86	3	0	100	0	0	32	25	29	34	25	24	35	23	21	29	40	35	35	24
Lib Dem	15	3	5	81	0	0	100	0	16	14	18	14	13	17	12	20	14	12	17	12	25	11
UKIP	7	10	2	1	0	0	0	100	8	7	4	5	13	7	9	6	10	7	8	2	1	11
Green	5	1	3	10	0	0	0	0	4	6	7	5	3	5	5	8	5	5	3	5	8	3
SNP / PCY	4	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	4	5	5	4	5	4	5	0	0	3	0	35	5	4
BNP	4	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	4	4	1	6	4	2	6	2	4	4	5	0	2	4
Respect	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	1	0	1	1	2	0	2	0	0	1	0
Some other party	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1

[Base: All]

Non Voters

Would Not Vote	14	10	6	4	0	0	0	0	13	14	16	14	11	13	14	10	15	13	16	8	11	14
Don't know	19	12	10	10	0	0	0	0	12	25	20	19	18	18	20	16	20	20	19	17	13	18

The EU has a minimum VAT rate of 15%, and a maximum of 25%, as part of its strategy of achieving a single market in goods and services across the EU. Some commentators have suggested this 15% limit is why the Government only cut VAT by 2.5% in the Pre Budget Report last November.

In this Spring's Budget if the Government thinks that a further cut in VAT is necessary to combat the recession do you think they should keep to or disregard these EU rules and cut VAT anyway?

The government should keep to these EU rules	<b>25</b>	23	30	45	25	35	45	6	29	22	28	25	23	31	19	30	24	23	24	31	49	17
The government should disregard these EU rules	<b>59</b>	66	58	46	64	52	46	89	62	57	50	61	66	57	62	53	61	61	61	52	41	71
Don't know	<b>16</b>	11	12	9	11	13	9	5	10	22	22	14	12	13	19	17	16	15	15	17	11	12

If there were a referendum tomorrow on whether Britain should join Europe's single currency the Euro how would you vote?

In favour of joining	<b>24</b>	18	31	42	17	33	46	3	30	19	22	25	25	26	22	25	23	21	25	31	100	0
Against joining	<b>64</b>	76	55	51	77	54	49	95	60	66	65	61	65	63	64	65	66	67	62	50	0	100
Would not vote	<b>3</b>	1	2	3	1	1	1	1	3	3	5	2	3	2	4	1	2	4	4	3	0	0
Don't know	<b>9</b>	5	13	5	5	12	5	1	7	12	9	12	7	9	10	9	9	8	10	16	0	0

Has the economic crisis made you more or less likely to support Britain adopting the Euro or has it made no difference?

The economic crisis has made me MORE likely to support adopting the Euro	<b>18</b>	13	22	27	14	24	30	4	21	15	19	17	17	18	17	17	17	16	21	17	57	3
The economic crisis has made me LESS likely to support adopting the Euro	<b>27</b>	35	23	21	37	22	20	52	26	28	23	26	33	28	26	26	28	28	27	23	2	41
The economic crisis has not made a difference to my likelihood to support adopting the Euro	<b>49</b>	49	51	49	46	49	50	44	50	48	51	50	47	47	51	53	50	50	45	50	40	55
Don't know	<b>6</b>	3	5	3	3	5	1	1	3	9	8	7	4	6	7	4	5	6	7	9	1	2

**If the UK could have the ideal relationship with Europe which one of the following would you yourself prefer?**

The UK staying a full EU member on current terms, including the Lisbon Treaty	<b>22</b>	14	34	41	15	37	48	0	28	17	27	21	18	25	19	28	20	21	20	26	56	11
The UK having a looser arrangement with Europe, maintaining free trade and cooperation in some areas, but taking back powers and ending the supremacy of the European court	<b>48</b>	58	47	37	60	45	36	54	49	47	40	50	53	50	45	48	48	48	47	50	30	57
Withdrawing from the EU altogether	<b>16</b>	18	10	13	17	9	10	46	16	16	10	16	22	12	20	13	19	16	16	9	3	23
None of these	<b>2</b>	1	2	1	1	2	0	0	1	2	3	2	1	2	2	2	1	2	2	1	1	2
Don't know	<b>13</b>	8	9	7	8	8	6	0	7	19	21	12	7	11	15	10	12	14	14	14	10	8

**How realistic do you think it is for the UK to renegotiate its position with the EU to maintain a free trade area but opt out of political and economic union?**

Very realistic	<b>9</b>	11	6	6	10	6	6	28	11	7	4	9	13	8	9	5	8	11	8	10	5	11
Quite realistic	<b>24</b>	26	28	18	28	29	20	37	25	24	22	25	26	23	27	24	24	27	26	20	19	28
Not very realistic	<b>39</b>	42	43	43	44	42	45	14	41	38	39	41	38	43	35	43	40	36	38	44	46	38
Not realistic at all	<b>12</b>	11	12	19	11	12	18	14	16	9	12	12	13	14	11	14	13	12	11	12	21	9
Don't know	<b>15</b>	10	11	14	7	12	11	7	8	22	23	13	11	13	18	15	15	14	17	15	9	13

**Do you think any of the three main political parties (Conservative Labour Liberal Democrats) adequately represent your views on Britain's future relationship with the European Union?**

Yes, at least one of them does	<b>29</b>	35	43	34	44	48	38	8	35	24	30	31	27	31	27	32	28	30	29	30	39	27
No, none of them do	<b>45</b>	42	37	38	38	34	40	83	48	42	37	44	53	42	49	44	45	47	45	43	40	51
Don't know	<b>26</b>	22	20	29	18	18	22	9	17	34	33	25	21	27	24	25	27	23	26	28	21	22