

Business Leader Survey

Would you agree or disagree with each of these statements about Chancellor George Osborne?

		Agree																	
	Sep-09	Oct-09	Nov-09	Dec-09	Jan-10	Feb-10	Mar-10	Apr-10	May-10	Jun-10	Sep-10	Nov-10	Mar-11	Jun-11	Sep-11	Dec-11	Feb-12	Jun-12	Sep-12
Seems like he understands business	65%	70%	65%	62%	64%	67%	64%	67%	71%	76%	66%	68%	65%	66%	73%	68%	66%	57%	51%
Is out of his depth	46%	36%	40%	38%	42%	39%	46%	45%	40%	34%	38%	34%	37%	36%	33%	32%	32%	44%	50%
Has the right ideas about how to manage the British economy	49%	64%	60%	56%	58%	63%	58%	63%	68%	73%	70%	66%	64%	66%	65%	63%	64%	59%	52%
Lacks experience	75%	68%	75%	74%	73%	74%	78%	80%	79%	77%	72%	68%	65%	57%	56%	54%	53%	60%	65%
Would/Will make a better Chancellor than Alistair Darling	60%	73%	65%	65%	62%	67%	69%	65%	71%	70%	68%	69%	67%	66%	69%	65%	66%	66%	54%



	Disagree																		
	Sep-09	Oct-09	Nov-09	Dec-09	Jan-10	Feb-10	Mar-10	Apr-10	May-10	Jun-10	Sep-10	Nov-10	Mar-11	Jun-11	Sep-11	Dec-11	Feb-12	Jun-12	Sep-12
Seems like he understands business	25%	30%	35%	38%	36%	33%	36%	33%	29%	24%	34%	32%	35%	34%	27%	31%	34%	42%	49%
Is out of his depth	54%	64%	61%	62%	59%	61%	54%	55%	61%	66%	62%	66%	64%	64%	67%	68%	68%	56%	50%
Has the right ideas about how to manage the British economy	51%	36%	40%	44%	42%	37%	42%	37%	32%	27%	37%	34%	36%	34%	35%	37%	37%	41%	52%
Lacks experience	25%	32%	25%	26%	28%	26%	22%	20%	21%	23%	28%	32%	35%	43%	44%	46%	47%	30%	35%
Would/Will make a better Chancellor than Alistair Darling	40%	27%	35%	35%	38%	33%	31%	36%	29%	30%	32%	31%	33%	34%	31%	35%	34%	34%	45%



Is economic growth in your sector increasing, decreasing or staying the same?

	May-10	Jun-10	Sep-10	Nov-11	Mar-11	Jun-11	Sep-11	Dec-11	Feb-12	Jun-12	Sep-12
Increasing	31%	21%	23%	26%	25%	22%	22%	15%	21%	32%	28%
Staying the same	45%	46%	42%	38%	42%	47%	39%	36%	42%	36%	37%
Decreasing	20%	26%	32%	28%	29%	26%	35%	43%	31%	28%	32%
Don't know	5%	7%	4%	8%	4%	5%	4%	6%	6%	4%	2%

(latest fieldwork 166 senior business decision makers 21 August – 12 September 2012)