

## Budget Survey

### CATI Fieldwork : June 23rd-24th 2010

Absolutes/col percents

Table 1  
**Q.1 Putting your party allegiance aside, do you think that this emergency budget will be...?**  
**Base: All respondents**

	Gender		Age						Social Grade				Region					
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid-lands	North Eng-land	Wales & South West	Scot-land
Unweighted base	1006	472	534	75	134	167	161	213	256	317	225	162	302	255	263	249	141	98
Weighted base	1006	493	513	121	161	191	171	151	211	272	292	211	231	256	266	252	145	87
Good for Britain	495	241	253	54	76	78	84	91	112	155	136	106	97	133	139	112	75	35
	49%	49%	49%	44%	47%	41%	49%	61%	53%	57%	47%	50%	42%	52%	52%	44%	52%	40%
Bad for Britain	210	103	107	27	38	46	37	19	42	43	66	44	57	56	60	60	22	12
	21%	21%	21%	23%	24%	24%	22%	12%	20%	16%	23%	21%	24%	22%	23%	24%	15%	14%
Will make no difference	263	133	130	37	41	60	42	36	47	63	78	53	69	57	59	65	44	38
	26%	27%	25%	30%	26%	32%	25%	24%	22%	23%	27%	25%	30%	22%	22%	26%	30%	44%
Don't know	38	15	23	3	6	7	8	5	9	11	11	8	9	9	7	15	4	2
	4%	3%	4%	2%	4%	4%	4%	3%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	3%	6%	3%	2%



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**Q.2 Thinking about the emergency budget announcements this week, do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?**

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	Gender			Age						Social Grade				Region				
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid-lands	North Eng-land	Wales & South West	Scot-land
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<b><u>The Government should have waited another year for growth to become more secure before cutting public spending</u></b>																		
Agree	546	262	284	76	94	120	83	72	100	127	172	104	142	141	143	136	71	56
	54%	53%	55%	63%	58%	63%	49%	48%	47%	47%	59%	49%	61%	55%	54%	54%	49%	64%
Disagree	431	219	212	45	61	66	83	72	104	137	108	103	83	108	117	106	72	28
	43%	44%	41%	37%	38%	34%	49%	48%	49%	51%	37%	49%	36%	42%	44%	42%	50%	32%
Don't know	29	12	17	-	6	5	5	6	7	7	12	4	6	7	6	11	2	3
	3%	2%	3%	-	4%	3%	3%	4%	3%	3%	4%	2%	3%	3%	2%	4%	1%	4%
<b><u>I trust the Government to make the right decisions on public sector spending cuts</u></b>																		
Agree	565	290	275	64	80	93	82	103	143	158	159	132	116	143	160	133	92	37
	56%	59%	54%	53%	50%	49%	48%	68%	68%	58%	54%	63%	50%	56%	60%	53%	63%	42%
Disagree	413	194	218	55	74	93	86	44	61	101	124	76	112	102	99	114	49	49
	41%	39%	43%	46%	46%	49%	50%	29%	29%	37%	42%	36%	48%	40%	37%	45%	34%	56%
Don't know	29	9	20	2	7	5	4	4	7	13	9	3	4	11	7	5	4	2
	3%	2%	4%	1%	4%	3%	2%	3%	3%	5%	3%	2%	2%	4%	3%	2%	3%	2%
<b><u>The budget shows that the Liberal Democrats have sold out on their principles</u></b>																		
Agree	516	263	253	67	75	108	87	70	110	114	156	108	139	123	133	135	75	51
	51%	53%	49%	55%	47%	56%	51%	46%	52%	42%	54%	51%	60%	48%	50%	53%	52%	58%
Disagree	399	205	195	45	65	66	73	70	80	130	108	85	77	104	110	96	59	30
	40%	41%	38%	37%	40%	34%	43%	46%	38%	48%	37%	40%	33%	41%	42%	38%	41%	34%
Don't know	90	25	65	9	21	17	11	11	21	28	28	19	15	28	22	22	11	7
	9%	5%	13%	7%	13%	9%	6%	8%	10%	10%	10%	9%	7%	11%	8%	9%	8%	7%



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Weighted base	1006	493	513	121	161	191	171	151	211	272	292	211	231	256	266	252	145	87
<b><u>The increase in VAT is unavoidable, due to the current financial situation</u></b>																		
Agree	530	269	261	60	76	95	91	92	115	150	153	115	112	135	145	122	85	43
	53%	55%	51%	50%	47%	50%	53%	61%	55%	55%	53%	54%	48%	53%	55%	48%	58%	50%
Disagree	446	212	233	57	76	92	77	58	86	114	131	88	112	115	112	123	57	39
	44%	43%	45%	47%	47%	48%	45%	38%	41%	42%	45%	42%	49%	45%	42%	49%	39%	45%
Don't know	30	12	19	4	9	4	3	1	9	7	7	9	7	6	9	7	3	5
	3%	2%	4%	3%	5%	2%	2%	1%	4%	3%	2%	4%	3%	2%	3%	2%	6%	



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