

# Philip's Panel: May 2008 **Survey Results**

1. **Do you favour raising taxes to increase public services (1) or do you favour cutting taxes to stimulate the economy (5)?**  
1: **7.4%** 2: **9.3%** 3: **19.4%** 4: **17.6%** 5: **46.3%**
2. **Was the Government right (1) to propose raising tax on those on lowest incomes by scrapping the 10p starting rate of income tax to help fund a 2p cut in the basic rate of tax, or wrong (5)?**  
1: **0.0%** 2: **3.6%** 3: **5.5%** 4: **10.0%** 5: **80.9%**
3. **Do you favour high levels of state regulation and control of the market (1) or do you favour deregulation of markets (5)?**  
1: **3.7%** 2: **6.4%** 3: **19.3%** 4: **19.3%** 5: **51.4%**
4. **Where would you place yourself on the question of European integration? Do you think that European integration has gone too far (1) or do you think the European Union should integrate further (5)?**  
1: **49.5%** 2: **24.3%** 3: **12.1%** 4: **8.4%** 5: **5.6%**
5. **Do you believe that maintaining domestic agricultural production is no longer necessary since most produce can be imported (1) or do you support the need for domestic agricultural produce to maintain security of food supply to the UK (5)?**  
1: **1.8%** 2: **0.9%** 3: **4.6%** 4: **11.0%** 5: **81.7%**
6. **Do you support the protection of the environment, even at the cost of economic growth (1) or do you support economic growth, even at the cost of the environment (5)?**  
1: **22.4%** 2: **19.6%** 3: **40.2%** 4: **9.3%** 5: **8.4%**
7. **Do you believe biofuels contribute to rising food costs and should be de-emphasised in EU targets (1) or are biofuels good for the environment in promoting renewable energy (5)?**  
1: **36.4%** 2: **28.0%** 3: **13.1%** 4: **14.0%** 5: **8.4%**
8. **Do you see use of GM crops as providing a solution to food shortages as global population grows (1) or do you see GM crops as threatening to non-GM plants and farming systems (5)?**  
1: **17.6%** 2: **16.7%** 3: **17.6%** 4: **13.9%** 5: **34.3%**
9. **Should the restrictions on immigration to Great Britain be more severe (1) or should immigration restrictions be eased (5)?**  
1: **59.8%** 2: **19.6%** 3: **12.1%** 4: **5.6%** 5: **2.8%**
10. **If medical research (1) appears in conflict with ethical considerations (5) which consideration would you prioritise?**  
1: **29.1%** 2: **17.5%** 3: **28.2%** 4: **12.6%** 5: **12.6%**
11. **Do you support scientific research in the UK on hybrid human/animal embryos to help treat human diseases (1) or do you feel this should be banned (5)?**  
1: **37.4%** 2: **23.4%** 3: **14.0%** 4: **9.3%** 5: **15.9%**
12. **Should same sex parents be able to have children without the need for a father (1) or should each child have the right to identify their biological father (5)?**  
1: **4.6%** 2: **5.5%** 3: **7.3%** 4: **20.2%** 5: **62.4%**
13. **Should the legal time limit for abortion be reduced (1) or left at the current 24 weeks (5)?**  
1: **25.9%** 2: **12.0%** 3: **9.3%** 4: **6.5%** 5: **46.3%**
14. **Are there circumstances in which euthanasia or assisted suicide should be permitted (1) or not (5)?**  
1: **51.4%** 2: **23.8%** 3: **12.4%** 4: **3.8%** 5: **8.6%**
15. **If the protection of personal freedom (1) appears in conflict with the fight against crime (5) which considerations do you prioritise?**  
1: **21.1%** 2: **14.7%** 3: **18.3%** 4: **22.0%** 5: **23.9%**
16. **Should terrorist suspects be able to be held without charge for up to 28 days (1) as now, or up to 42 days (5)?**  
1: **50.0%** 2: **7.4%** 3: **5.6%** 4: **7.4%** 5: **29.6%**
17. **Should couples who believe they should be able to smack their own children be prevented from fostering other children?** Yes **9%** No **91%**
18. **Should Labour replace Gordon Brown with a new leader/Prime Minister?** Yes **57%** No **43%**

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Age Concern **38%** Ludlow New Voices **6%** Macmillan **56%**