## **Ipsos MORI June 2017 Political Monitor**

### Topline Results

### 1st June 2017

### Fieldwork: 30th May – 1st June 2017

#### **Technical Details**

Ipsos MORI interviewed a representative sample of 1,046 adults aged 18+ across Great Britain. Interviews were conducted by telephone: 30th May – 1st June 2017. Data are weighted to match the profile of the population.

Where percentages do not sum to 100 this may be due to computer rounding, the exclusion of "don't know" categories, or multiple answers. An asterisk (\*) denotes any value of less than half a per cent. Voting intention figures exclude those who say they would not vote, are undecided or refuse to name a party and in the headline figures, are filtered as discussed below. Data are based on all adults unless otherwise stated.

## Voting intention

Voting intention polls between elections are a measurement of how a representative sample of the public think they would vote at a given point in time. Voting intentions should be read in conjunction with other political indicators.

#### Voting intentions: headline indicator

In recent years, Ipsos MORI's headline indicator has been based on what voters told us about their likely turnout, in order to account for differing levels of turnout among different groups. Following on from the 2015 General Election, however, in which our final prediction poll placed all other parties within the margin of error but over-estimated Labour voters' likelihood to vote, Ipsos MORI has carried out an internal review into improving the accuracy of our polls. As a result, and to preserve our long-term trends on voting intentions, our headline indicator is now changed to take into account past voting behaviour (do people always or usually vote in general elections, or say it depends) as well as stated likelihood to vote in an upcoming election (those who say they are at least 9 out of 10 certain to vote). This method would have given us the most accurate results in the 2015 General Election. We continually review our methods, and may make further refinements to our methodology in the future.

In June 2017 our headline vote intention figures also now include an adjustment to respondents' claimed level of turnout, based on BES validated vote figures by age from previous elections. This is to make some allowance for the evidence seen in previous elections that not everyone who says they are going to vote actually does so, and that the extent of this varies by age.

As previously, please note that this measure is not based on the assumption that this is the group who <u>will</u> vote at the next general election, as this population is not accurately identifiable at this stage of a parliament. Rather, it includes only those voters whose past behaviour and frame of mind is nearest to those who actually vote at elections.

Please also note that the 'margin of error' on these figures is  $c.\pm3-5\%$  for each figure; this means that a party share figure of 30% could actually fall anywhere between 26% and 34%, though it is more likely to fall at 30% than at the extreme ends of this range. This is especially important to keep in mind when calculating party lead figures.

#### Q1a How would you vote if there were a General Election tomorrow? IF UNDECIDED OR REFUSED AT Q1a

#### Q1b Which party are you most inclined to support?

Base: All 9-10 certain to vote and	Q1a/b
always/usually/depends vote in General Elections, with over-claim adjustment (883)	%
Conservative	45
Labour	40
Liberal Democrats (Lib Dem)	7
Scottish/Welsh Nationalist	3
Green Party	2
UK Independence Party	2
Other	*
Conservative lead ( <u>+</u> %)	+5
Would not vote	*
Undecided	3
Refused	5

### Voting intentions: all naming a party

The voting intention figures based on all those giving a voting intention is the measure with the longest pedigree; our regular trends on this basis go back to the 1970s. When turnouts were much higher than is usual today, this offered a good approximation to actual voting behaviour; in more recent years in more recent years however, there have been differing turnout levels among the supporters of the various parties.

## Q1a How do you intend to vote in the General Election? Will you vote...?

IF UNDECIDED OR REFUSED AT Q1a

Q1b Which party are you most inclined to support?

	%
Conservative	40
Labour	43
Liberal Democrats (Lib Dem)	9
Scottish/Welsh Nationalist	3
Green Party	1
UK Independence Party	3
Other	*
Conservative lead ( <u>+</u> %)	-3
Would not vote	4
Undecided	7
Refused	5

### Certainty of voting

Q2 And how likely would you be to vote in the General Election, on a scale of 1 to 10, where 10 means you would be absolutely certain to vote, and 1 means that you would be absolutely certain not to vote?

	%
10 – absolutely certain to vote	79
9	5
8	4
7	1
6	1
5	2
4	1
3	*
2	1
1 – absolutely certain not to vote	5
Don't know	1

## **Satisfaction Ratings**

Satisfaction among general public aged 18+

- Q3 Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way the Government is running the country?
- Q4 Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way Theresa May is doing her job as Prime Minister?
- Q5 Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way Jeremy Corbyn is doing his job as leader of the Labour party?
- Q6 Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way Tim Farron is doing his job as leader of the Liberal Democrats?
- Q7 Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way Paul Nuttall is doing his job as leader of UKIP, the UK Independence Party?

	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Don't know	Net satisfaction
	%	%	%	±
Government (Q3)	38	53	8	-15
May (Q4)	43	50	7	-7
Corbyn (Q5)	39	50	11	-11
Farron (Q6)	25	44	30	-19
Nuttall (Q7)	18	55	27	-37

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Base: All party supporters (\*Government is based on Conservative supporters)

		Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Don't know	Net satisfaction
	Base	%	%	%	±
Government* (Q3)	267	78	17	5	+61
May (Q4)	267	82	14	4	+68
Corbyn (Q5)	286	71	19	10	+52

## **Voting decisions**

Q9 Have you definitely decided to vote for the ...... party or is there a chance you may change your mind before you vote?

(Base: All giving a General Election voting intention 940)

	Definitely decided (%)	May change mind (%)	Don't know (%)
Overall			
June 2017	78	20	2
May 2017	67	32	1
April 2017	63	36	1
Conservatives supporters			
June 2017 (267)	75	23	2
May 2017 ( <i>370</i> )	77	22	1
April 2017 (401)	78	21	*
Labour supporters			
June 2017 (286)	76	21	3
May 2017 ( <i>3</i> 23)	57	42	1
April 2017 (219)	56	43	1
Lib Dem supporters			
June 2017 (64)	46	48	6
May 2017 (93)	51	44	4
April 2017 (129)	40	60	0

Q10 If you do change your mind about voting for this party, which party would you vote for instead? *Base: All those who may change their mind in Q9 187* 

	May 2015	May 2017	June 2017
	%	%	%
Conservative	14	24	22
Labour	20	12	23
UKIP	14	7	6
Green	10	10	6
Lib Dem	17	20	20
Other	*	*	2
None/would not vote	3	1	5
Don't Know/refused	22	23	14

Q14 Who do you think would make the most capable Prime Minister, the Conservative's Theresa May, or Labour's Jeremy Corbyn? In May 2015 asked as: Who do you think would make the most capable Prime Minister, David Cameron, Ed Miliband or Nick Clegg?

	May 2015 %		April 2017 %	May 2017 %	June 2017 %
David Cameron	42	Theresa May	61	56	50
Ed Miliband	27	Jeremy Corbyn	23	29	35
Don't know	25	Neither/none	6	7	6
		No Difference	1	*	*
		Other (not read out)	1	1	*
		Don't know (not read out)	7	6	8

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	%		%
Tony Blair	40	 David Cameron	33
Michael Howard	21	 Gordon Brown	29
Don't know	23	 Don't know	8