### **Political Monitor Trends**

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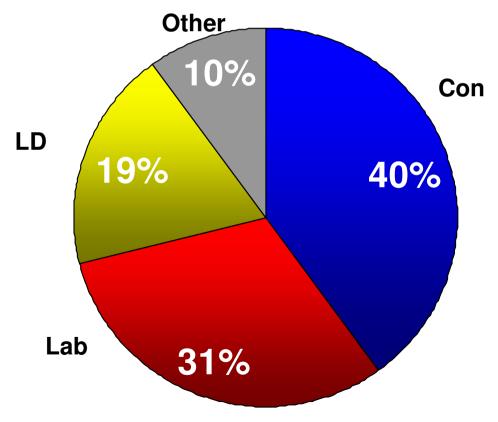
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### **Voting Intentions**

# Voting Intentions (17-22 April 2008)

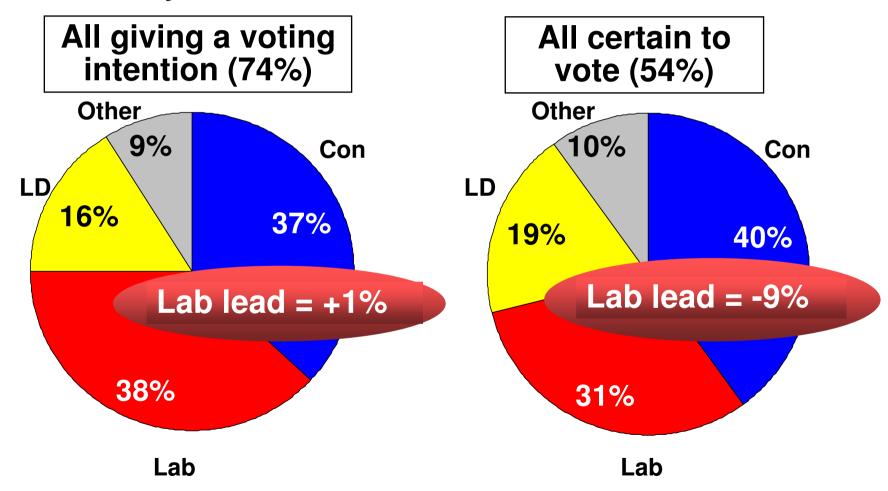
Q How would you vote if there were a General Election tomorrow?

"Absolutely certain to vote" 54% (582) of the electorate



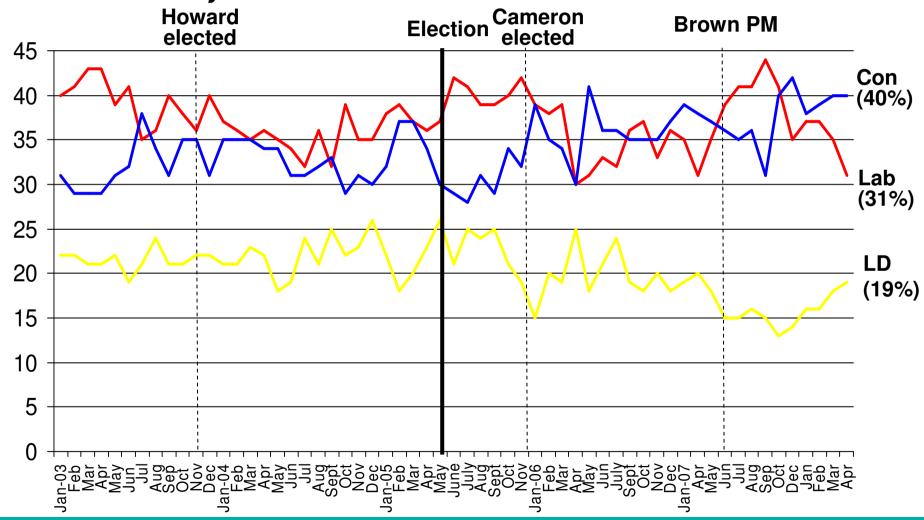
# Voting Intentions and Likelihood to Vote

Q How would you vote if there were a General Election tomorrow?



### Voting Intentions Jan 03 – Apr 08 (all certain to vote = 54% of electorate)

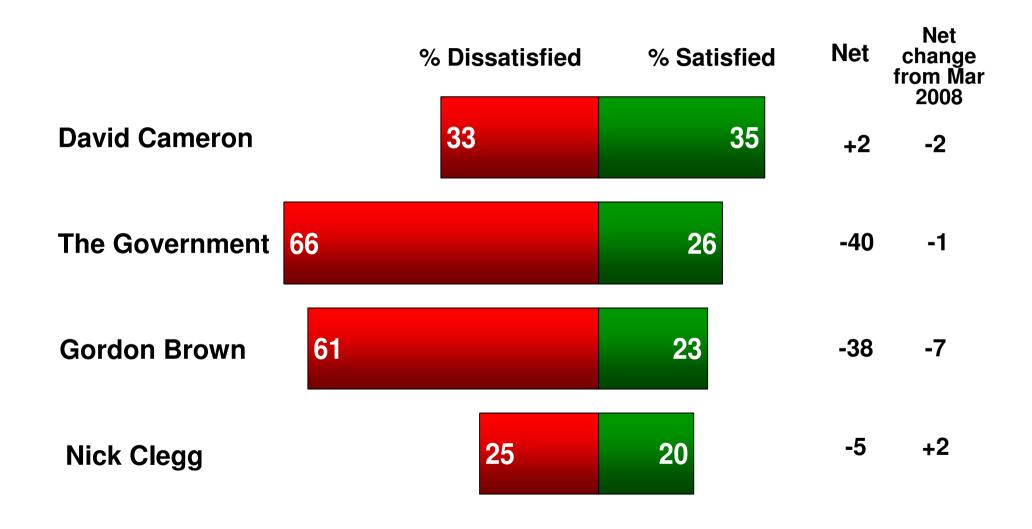
#### Q How would you vote if there were a General Election tomorrow?



Base: c.2,000 GB adults each month, of which c.1,060 certain to vote Source: Ipsos MORI Political Monitor

### **Satisfaction**

# Satisfaction with leaders and the Government

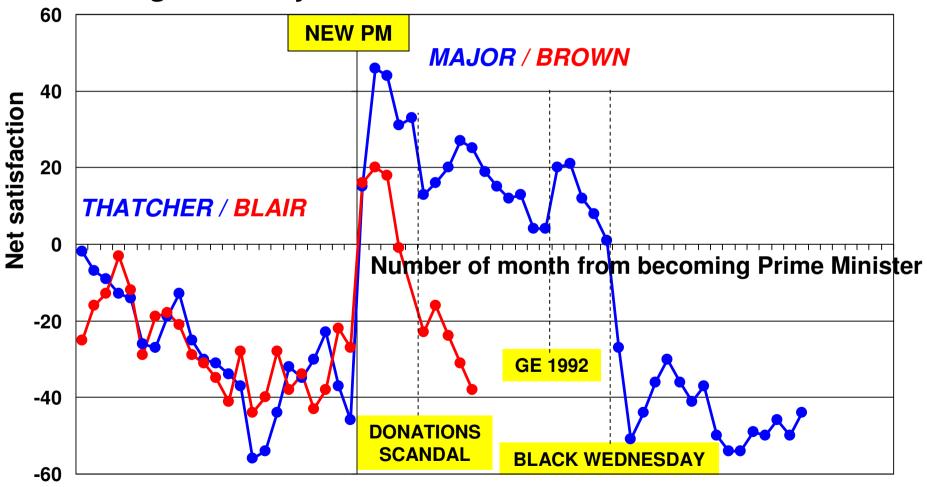


Base: 1,059 British adults 18+, 17-22 Apr 2008

Source: Ipsos MORI Political Monitor

## Net satisfaction with new PMs: Thatcher/Major vs. Blair/Brown

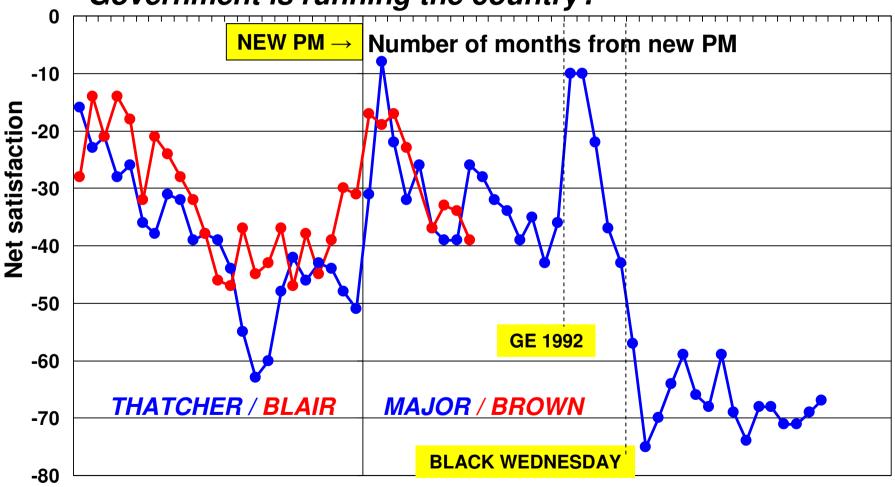
Q How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the way ... is doing his / her job as Prime Minister?



Base: c.1,000 British adults interviewed 3<sup>rd</sup> week of the month Source: Ipsos MORI Political Monitor

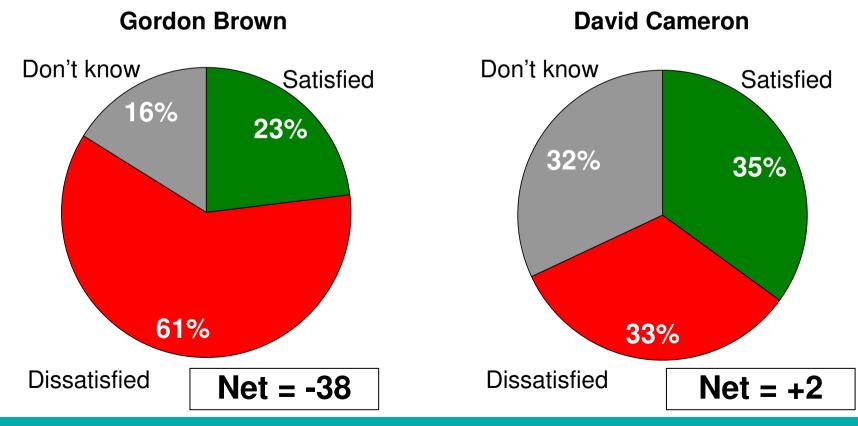
## Net satisfaction with new Govts: Thatcher/Major vs. Blair/Brown

Q How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the way the Government is running the country?



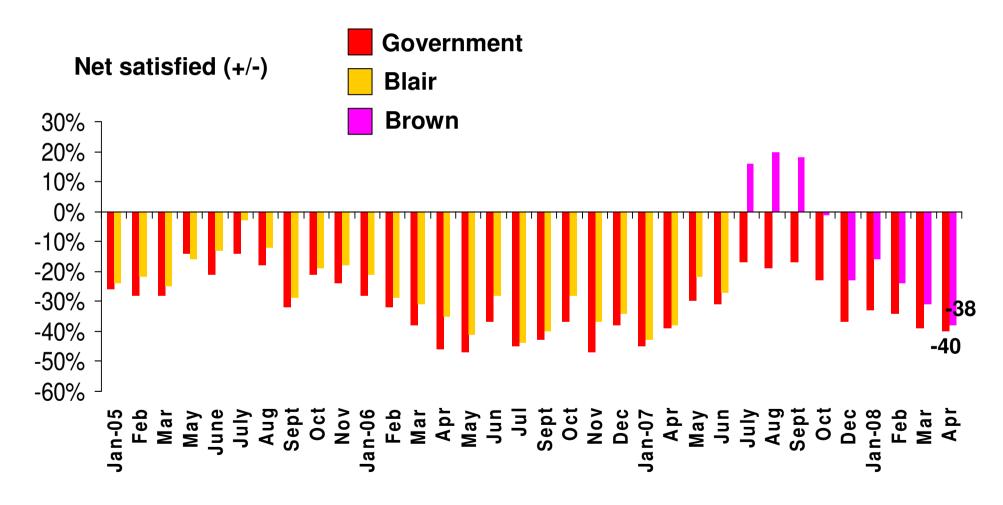
# Cameron vs. Brown (Apr 2008)

- Q Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way Gordon Brown is doing his job as Prime Minister?
- Q Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way David Cameron is doing his job as leader of the Conservative Party?



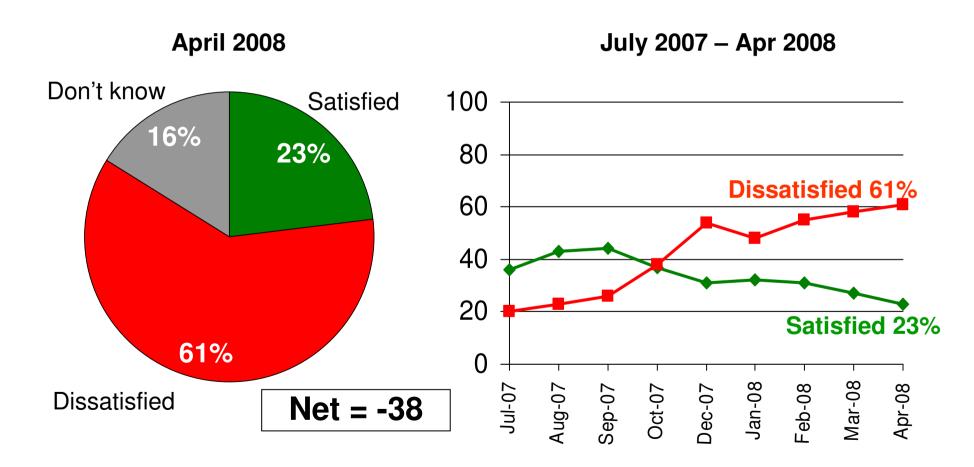
#### **The Government and Prime Minister**

Q How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with...



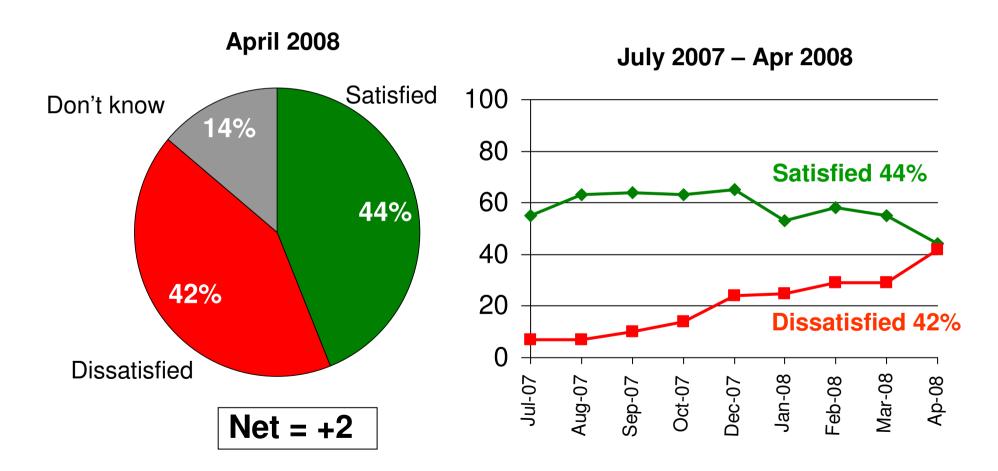
### Gordon Brown (satisfaction)

Q Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way Gordon Brown is doing his job as Prime Minister?



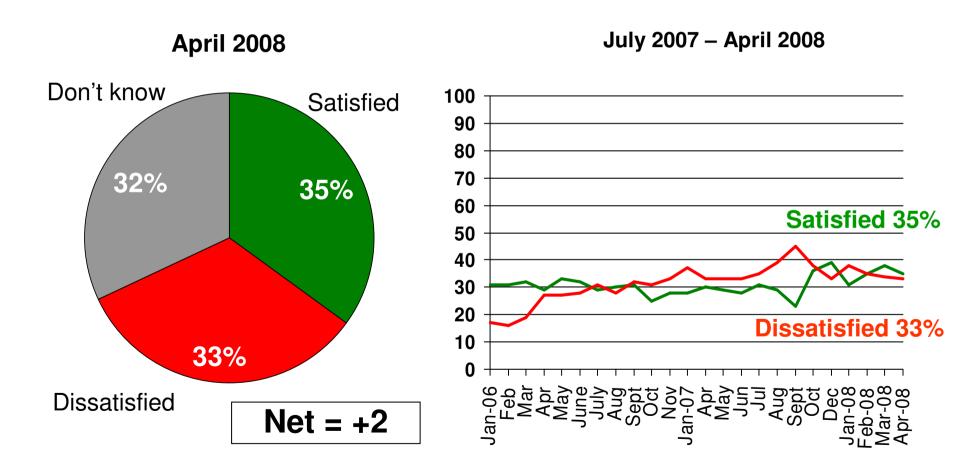
# Gordon Brown (satisfaction among Labour supporters)

Q Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way Gordon Brown is doing his job as Prime Minister?



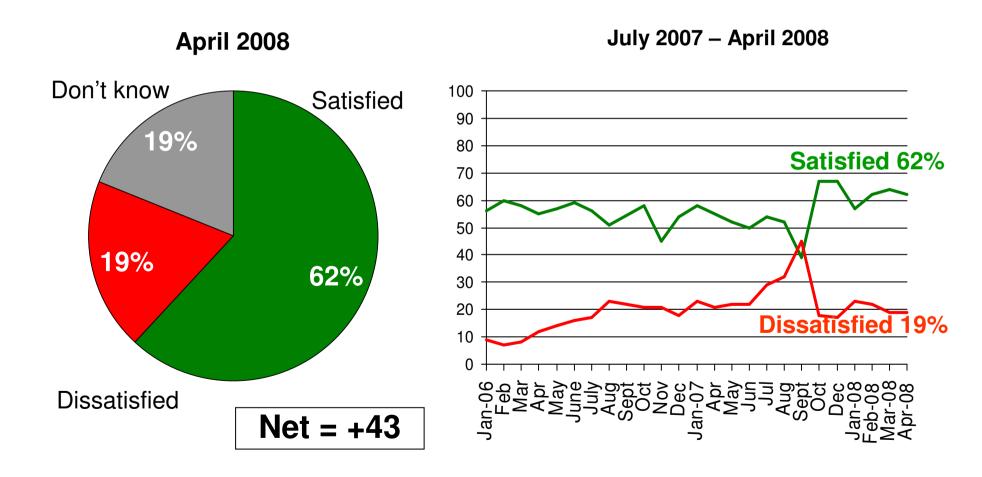
### **David Cameron (satisfaction)**

Q Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way David Cameron is doing his job as leader of the Conservative Party?



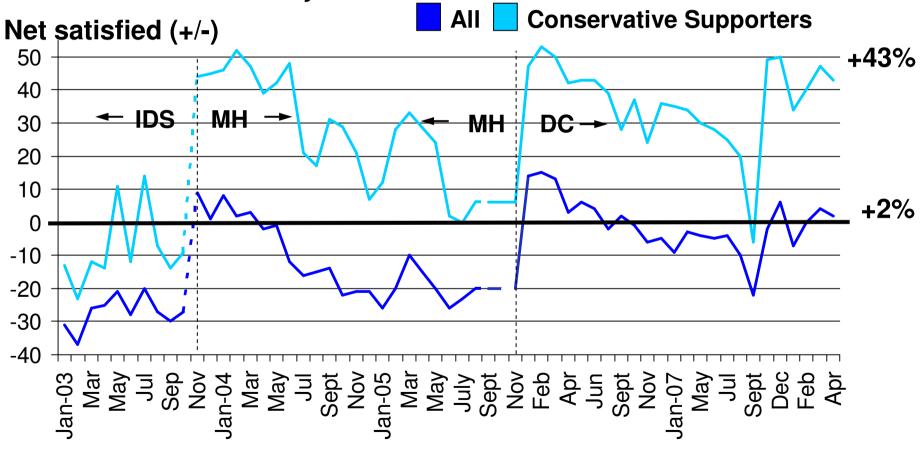
# David Cameron (satisfaction among party supporters)

Q Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way David Cameron is doing his job as leader of the Conservative Party?



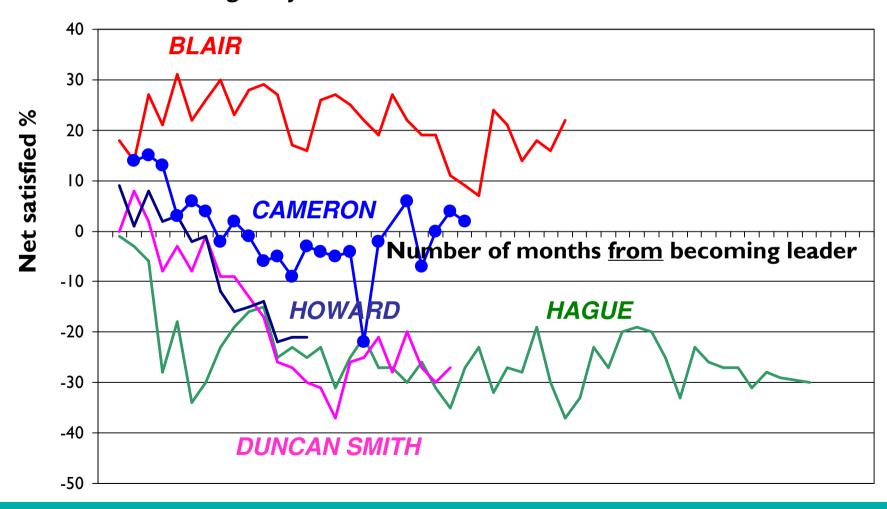
### Satisfaction with Duncan Smith/ Howard / Cameron

Q Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way lain Duncan Smith / Michael Howard/ David Cameron is doing his job as Leader of the Conservative Party?

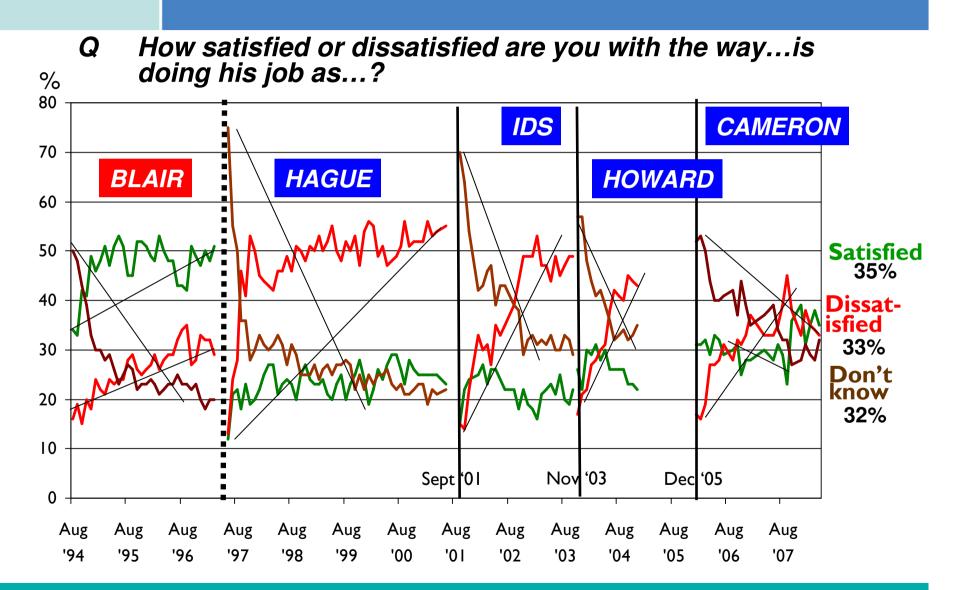


# Net satisfaction with opposition leaders (1994 – 2008)

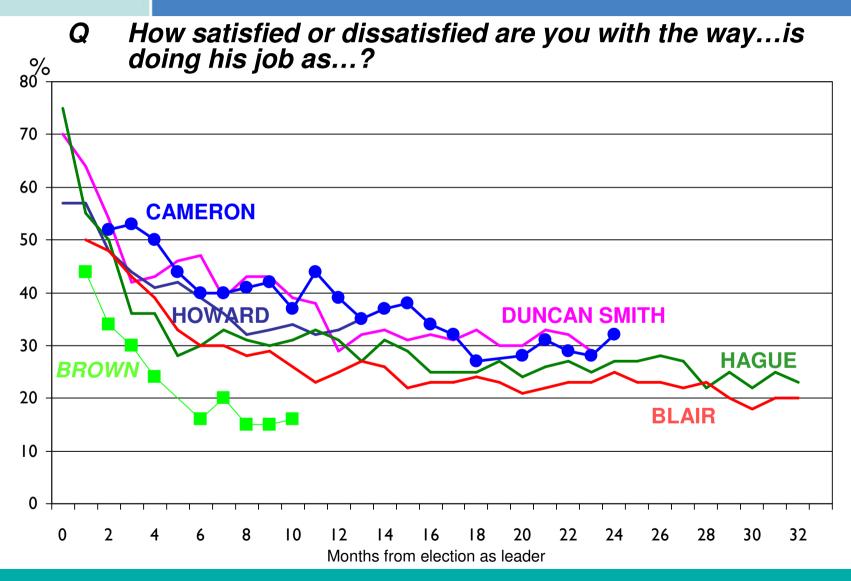
Q How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the way ... is doing his job as...?



### Opposition Leaders (1994 – 2008)



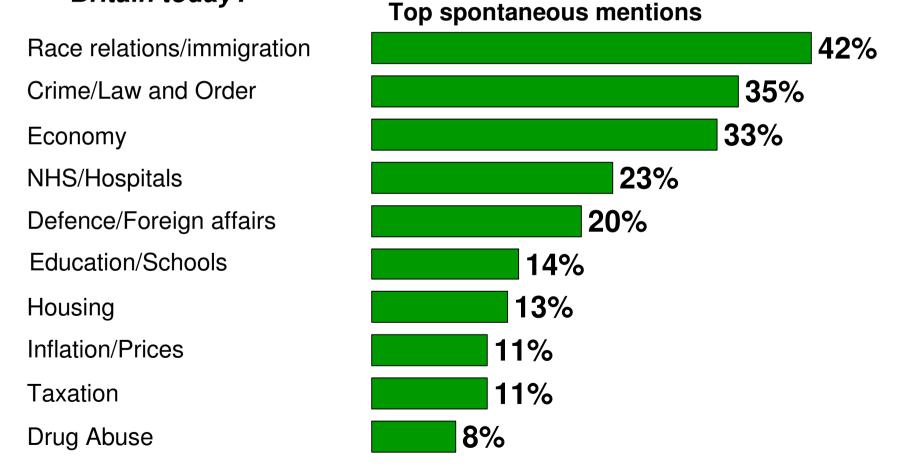
#### Leaders (1994 – 2008) – don't knows



### **Issues Facing Britain**

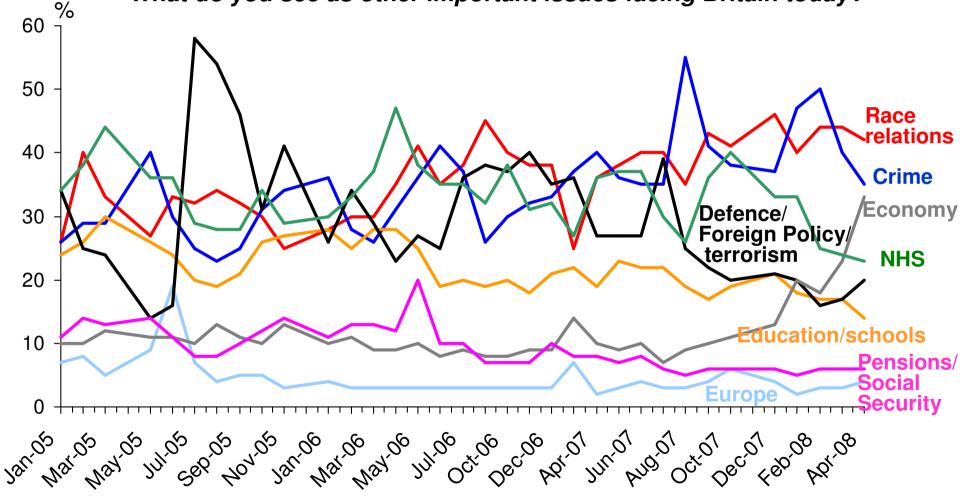
### **Issues facing Britain: March 08**

Q What would you say is the most important issue facing Britain today? What do you see as other important issues facing Britain today?



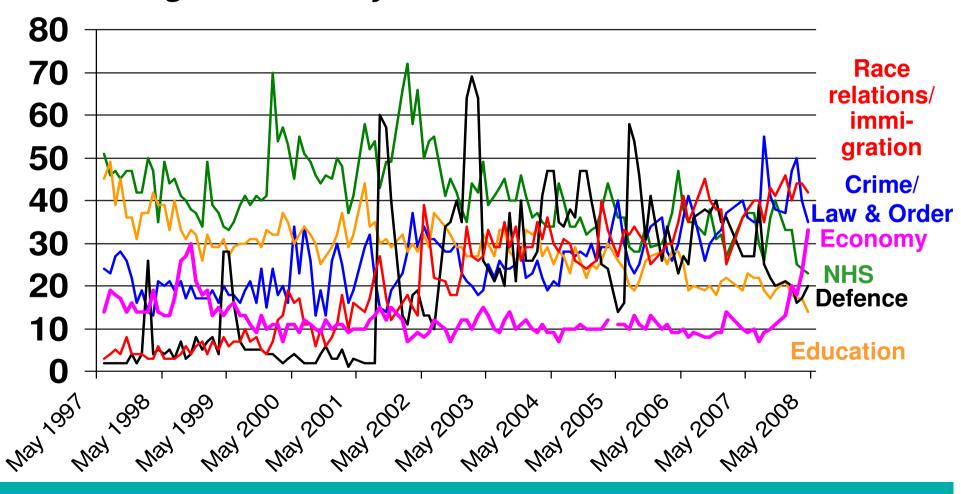
#### **Issues facing Britain (last 2 years)**

Q What would you say is the most important issue facing Britain today? What do you see as other important issues facing Britain today?



# **Issues Facing Britain: Long Term Trends**

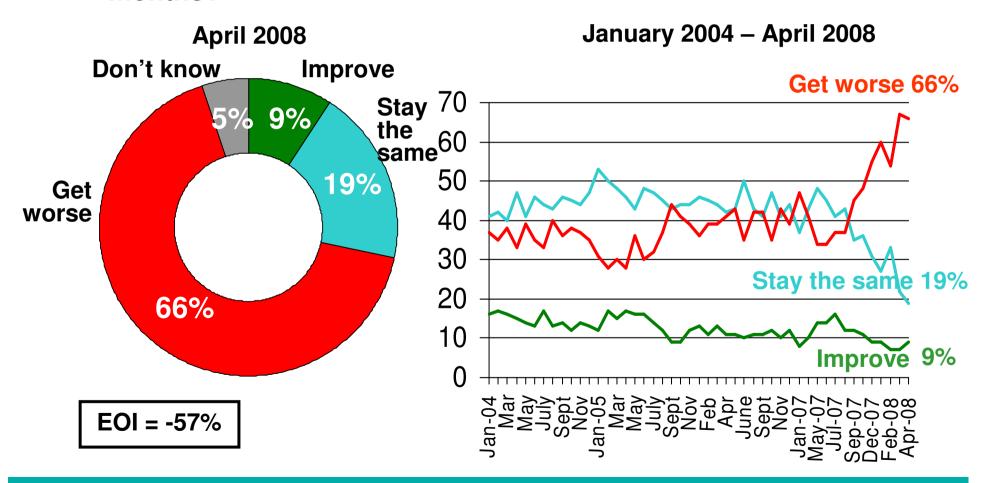
### Q What do you see as the main/other important issues facing Britain today?



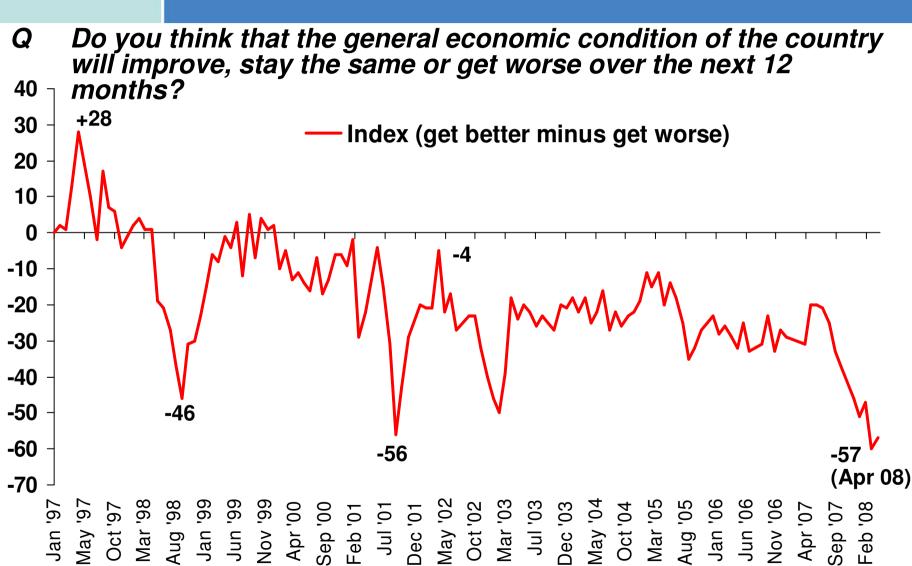
### **Economic Optimism**

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Q Do you think that the general economic condition of the country will improve, stay the same or get worse over the next 12 months?



### The Ipsos MORI Economic Optimism Index



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Q Do you think that the general economic condition of the country will improve, stay the same or get worse over the next 12 months?

**January 2004 – March 2008** 

