Greater Manchester Poll
Fieldwork : June 10th-12th 2008

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Q.7 Do you support or oppose the plans to introduce congestion zone charging in Manchester City Centre as set out by the government?

Base: All respondents

		Gender		Age						SEG			
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE
Unweighted base	1000	442	558	88	208	197	159	140	208	311	245	135	309
Weighted base	1000	487	513	117	190	193	169	135	196	191	282	153	374
Support	323	169	154	34	72	55	46	46	70	70	100	40	113
	32%	35%	30%	29%	38%	28%	27%	34%	36%	37%	36%	26%	30%
Oppose	625	298	327	79	111	129	117	82	106	112	166	107	241
	62%	61%	64%	68%	58%	67%	69%	61%	54%	58%	59%	70%	64%
Don't know	52	20	32	4	7	9	6	7	19	9	16	7	20
	5%	4%	6%	3%	4%	5%	4%	5%	10%	5%	6%	4%	5%

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Q.8 Would you like to see the people living in the Manchester area be given the chance to vote in a referendum on whether or not to adopt the government's plans to introduce congestion zone charging in Manchester City Centre?

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Yes	861	412	449	110	165	160	147	116	163	159	250	139	313
	86%	85%	87%	94%	87%	83%	87%	86%	84%	83%	89%	91%	84%
No	113	63	50	7	21	27	21	14	24	27	30	9	47
	11%	13%	10%	6%	11%	14%	12%	10%	13%	14%	11%	6%	12%
Don't know	26	11	15	-	4	6	2	6	8	6	2	5	14
	3%	2%	3%	-	2%	3%	1%	4%	4%	3%	1%	3%	4%