

**Uncertainty and disagreement in economic prediction: the Bank of England Survey
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Note: amendments to the SEF dataset

This note details the amendments to the dataset referred to in the closing paragraph of Section 1 of the article. The tabulations give the respondent identifier, then the complete probability responses as given in the spreadsheets for the indicated surveys and question numbers, followed by the amended entry or a note of the correction.

Inflation (5 cases of probabilities not summing to 100%, and one other)

B1:

Nov 2002	1	0	40	60	0	0	0	100
Nov 2002	2	15	40	40	5	40	0	140
Nov 2002	3	0	40	40	20	0	0	100
Feb 2003	1	0	35	40	25	0	0	100
Feb 2003	2	10	40	30	20	0	0	100
Feb 2003	3	15	35	30	20	0	0	100

The third 40 in the row is treated as a typo and the 4 is deleted.

C1:

May 1996	1	0	25	55	5	5	0	90
May 1996	2	0	10	60	20	10	0	100
Aug 1996	1	5	35	45	10	5	0	100
Aug 1996	2	5	25	35	25	10	0	100
Amended		0	30	55	10	5	0	100

I1:

Aug 2000	1	23.9	14.3	18.8	18.8	9.9	14.3	100
Aug 2000	2	35.3	12.1	12.6	12.6	8.6	18.8	100
Aug 2000	3	32.9	11.8	12.8	12.8	9.1	20.6	100
Nov 2000	1	2.3	34.7	53.9	9.0	0.1	0	100
Nov 2000	2	29.3	17.1	17.8	15.1	10.5	10.2	100
Nov 2000	3	32.5	17.5	17.5	24.3	9.5	8.6	109.9
Feb 2001	1	33	17	17	17	7	9	100
Feb 2001	2	40	13	12	12	8	15	100
Feb 2001	3	40	13	12	12	8	15	100

The entry 24.3 is treated as a typo and amended to 14.3.

K1:

Aug 2001	1	5	15	35	30	10	5	100
Aug 2001	2	10	20	25	35	10	0	100
Aug 2001	3	10	20	20	30	10	10	100
Nov 2001	1	10	25	30	25	5	5	100
Nov 2001	2	20	30	25	15	5	5	100
Nov 2001	3	10	20	25	20	10	5	90

As well as the error in the last row, there appears to be a contagious error in the row above.

Amended	2	10	20	25	35	5	5	100
	3	10	20	25	30	10	5	100

R2:

Nov 1996	1	0	30	70	0	0	0	100
Nov 1996	2	2	20	60	15	5	0	102
Feb 1997	1	5	45	40	10	0	0	100
Feb 1997	2	5	40	35	15	5	0	100

The 2 is treated as a typo and deleted (all other non-zero entries are multiples of 5).

GDP growth (4 cases of probabilities not summing to 100%, and one other)**A2:**

Feb 1998	1	5	10	30	30	10	5	90
Feb 1998	2	10	15	20	25	20	10	100
Feb 1998	3	10	15	20	25	20	10	100
May 1998	1	10	15	35	25	10	5	100
May 1998	2	15	20	23	27	10	5	100
May 1998	3	15	18	22	25	15	5	100
Amended		10	15	30	30	10	5	100

K2:

Feb 2000	1	0	5	20	40	35	10	110
Feb 2000	2	0	10	25	25	30	10	100
Feb 2000	3	0	10	25	25	30	10	100
May 2000	1	0	5	10	45	35	5	100
May 2000	2	0	5	20	40	30	5	100
May 2000	3	5	25	35	25	10	0	100

As well as the error in the first row, the entries in the last row appear to be in reverse order.

Amended (first row)		0	5	10	40	35	10	100
(last row)		0	10	25	35	25	5	100

T2:

Feb 1998	1	10	10	40	30	10	0	100
Feb 1998	2	0	10	30	45	10	0	95
Feb 1998	3	5	10	35	35	10	5	100
May 1998	1	10	10	45	25	10	0	100
May 1998	2	0	10	30	45	10	0	95
May 1998	3	5	10	35	35	10	5	100

Amended (both cases)		5	10	30	45	10	0	100
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