

Cash handouts popular – but economic boost doubtful

Slow growth and low inflation are ongoing problems in Europe. Some argue that a more direct way to promote growth and inflation is needed. One idea is to give money directly to individuals to do with as they please. We asked people what they would do with this “helicopter money” if it were given to them.

52%
would save or invest

42%
expect no effect

42% think prices would not be affected. Just 34% predict prices would actually rise.

52% would save or invest most of the money given to them. Only 26% would spend most of it.

54%
would like the money

39% think growth would increase. But 44% believe growth would stay the same or even weaken.

54% say “please give me the money anyway” – with Italians the most enthusiastic in this respect.

39%
predict growth

