Subject: Re: my fellow brits... who're you gonna vote for? Posted by Spoony on Sat, 24 Apr 2010 13:51:34 GMT

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Ziggy Sobotka wrote on Sat, 24 April 2010 11:50I'm sorry for what happened to you and especially whatever may have happened to your brother. But I have heard the story about long waiting times from people from just about every country, be it canada, america, the uk, or germany, or france. It's something that ought to be fixed, but it won't be by introducing the american system in the uk. (if that is what you think ought to happen. What exactly is your position?)

i'm not at all sure what is my overall position on healthcare, which is why i've criticised both socialised and US-style systems.

also france's healthcare is much better than the UK's.

Quote:Matter of opinion I suppose. I simply dont see anything wrong with a commodity whose dependance on also happens to be one of our bigger problems being taxed very high. The prize is roughly the same in Germany btw.

the tax on petrol isn't some attempt to address our dependency upon it, it's a capitalisation on our dependency on it. the reason the tax on petrol goes up and up and up is precisely because we can't stop buying it. they're not trying to make us buy less, they're taking advantage of the fact we buy so much.