Magicians and the paranormal: Survey Results

442 people responded to the survey. After removing incomplete data sets, this was reduced to 400 participants.

How long have you been interested in magic?
Less than a year .5%
Between 1 and 5 years 10.25%
Between 6 and 10 years 17.25%
Between 11 and 15 years 14.25%
16 years or more 57.75%

At what level do you perform magic at the moment?
Amateur - mainly for friends and family 34%
Semi-professional - sometimes paid to perform but not my sole or main income 45.75%
Professional - magic is my sole or main income 20.25%

Do you believe that telepathy exists (i.e., that some people are able to gain, by paranormal means, access to information being thought of by others)?
No 75%
Yes 15.75%
Uncertain 9.25%

Do you believe that precognition exists (i.e., that some people can, by paranormal means, know what is going to happen in the future)?
No 70.25%
Yes 20.75%
Uncertain 9%

Do you believe that psychokinesis exists (i.e., that some people can, by paranormal means, apply a noticeable force to an object or alter its physical characteristics)?
No 83.5%
Yes 9%
Uncertain 7.5%

Do you believe that you have had a paranormal experience?
No 73.75%
Yes 26.25%

Do you believe that you have had a paranormal experience whilst performing magic or mentalism? (only asked of those that had answered ‘yes’ to the previous question)
Yes 30.19%
No 69.81%