

Councillors Survey September 2009

1. Do you think your party's role in the MPs' expenses scandal has damaged you locally in terms of your MPs' or candidates' chances of being elected, or not?

Base: Conservative councillors

	COUNCIL TYPE							REGION										AGE					
	Total	London Borough	Uni tary	Dist rict	County	Metro politan	Parish	Town	East Mid lands	West Mid lands	East Eng land	North East	North West	South East	South West	Yorks and Humb	London	Wales	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
Yes	418 100%	30 100%	56 100%	267 100%	55 100%	34 100%	40 100%	34 100%	48 100%	41 100%	59 100%	6 100%	47 100%	113 100%	53 100%	11 100%	33 100%	7 100%	22 100%	41 100%	61 100%	145 100%	142 100%
No	120 29%	9 30%	18 32%	77 29%	18 33%	8 24%	15 38%	12 35%	14 29%	16 39%	20 34%	3 50%	13 28%	26 23%	16 30%	1 9%	10 30%	1 14%	1 5%	15 37%	15 25%	41 28%	44 31%
Don't know	260 62%	20 67%	35 63%	160 60%	35 64%	23 68%	23 58%	18 53%	33 69%	22 54%	32 54%	2 33%	28 60%	78 69%	30 57%	10 91%	21 64%	4 57%	20 91%	23 56%	37 61%	91 63%	86 61%
Not Stated	36 9%	1 3%	3 5%	29 11%	1 2%	3 9%	2 5%	4 12%	1 2%	3 7%	7 12%	1 17%	6 13%	9 8%	5 9%	-	2 6%	2 29%	1 5%	3 7%	9 15%	13 9%	10 7%
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2. In your view, should the Conservative Party pledge to do each of the following ahead of the next election?

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Cut taxes	418	30	56	267	55	34	40	34	48	41	59	6	47	113	53	11	33	7	22	41	61	145	142
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Yes	108	12	14	63	13	13	12	8	11	15	16	-	15	22	13	1	13	2	7	11	17	42	30
	26%	40%	25%	24%	24%	38%	30%	24%	23%	37%	27%	-	32%	19%	25%	9%	39%	29%	32%	27%	28%	29%	21%
No	229	11	30	155	30	16	18	21	26	21	32	5	26	61	34	9	12	3	10	25	36	76	78
	55%	37%	54%	58%	55%	47%	45%	62%	54%	51%	54%	83%	55%	54%	64%	82%	36%	43%	45%	61%	59%	52%	55%
Don't know	35	6	4	18	4	4	3	4	4	3	6	1	1	11	3	-	6	-	5	4	6	10	10
	8%	20%	7%	7%	7%	12%	8%	12%	8%	7%	10%	17%	2%	10%	6%	-	18%	-	23%	10%	10%	7%	7%
Not Stated	46	1	8	31	8	1	7	1	7	2	5	-	5	19	3	1	2	2	-	1	2	17	24
	11%	3%	14%	12%	15%	3%	18%	3%	15%	5%	8%	-	11%	17%	6%	9%	6%	29%	-	2%	3%	12%	17%
Not increase the overall tax burden																							
Yes	286	23	38	180	40	24	31	20	32	27	44	3	38	75	35	4	24	4	17	32	49	97	88
	68%	77%	68%	67%	73%	71%	78%	59%	67%	66%	75%	50%	81%	66%	66%	36%	73%	57%	77%	78%	80%	67%	62%
No	92	5	12	63	10	5	5	12	10	9	12	2	6	25	13	5	7	3	3	9	8	34	36
	22%	17%	21%	24%	18%	15%	13%	35%	21%	22%	20%	33%	13%	22%	25%	45%	21%	43%	14%	22%	13%	23%	25%
Don't know	14	1	4	8	1	1	1	1	1	3	2	1	1	4	1	-	1	-	2	-	4	3	4
	3%	3%	7%	3%	2%	3%	3%	3%	2%	7%	3%	17%	2%	4%	2%	-	3%	-	9%	-	7%	2%	3%
Not Stated	26	1	2	16	4	4	3	1	5	2	1	-	2	9	4	2	1	-	-	-	-	11	14
	6%	3%	4%	6%	7%	12%	8%	3%	10%	5%	2%	-	4%	8%	8%	18%	3%	-	-	-	-	8%	10%
Cut overall public spending																							
Yes	361	29	43	234	50	28	35	25	42	35	53	5	39	100	43	10	31	3	20	38	50	124	122
	86%	97%	77%	88%	91%	82%	88%	74%	88%	85%	90%	83%	83%	88%	81%	91%	94%	43%	91%	93%	82%	86%	86%
No	38	1	7	26	2	2	5	7	6	4	5	1	6	5	7	1	1	2	1	2	8	16	11
	9%	3%	13%	10%	4%	6%	13%	21%	13%	10%	8%	17%	13%	4%	13%	9%	3%	29%	5%	5%	13%	11%	8%
Don't know	9	-	4	4	1	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	6	2	-	-	1	1	1	2	1	4
	2%	-	7%	1%	2%	-	-	6%	-	-	-	-	-	5%	4%	-	-	14%	5%	2%	3%	1%	3%
Not Stated	10	-	2	3	2	4	-	-	-	2	1	-	2	2	1	-	1	1	-	-	1	4	5
	2%	-	4%	1%	4%	12%	-	-	-	5%	2%	-	4%	2%	2%	-	3%	14%	-	-	2%	3%	4%

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3. Given the debate over the summer over the NHS versus the American system, what type of healthcare system should Britain be moving towards?

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The NHS as it's presently funded	418 100%	30 100%	56 100%	267 100%	55 100%	34 100%	40 100%	34 100%	48 100%	41 100%	59 100%	6 100%	47 100%	113 100%	53 100%	11 100%	33 100%	7 100%	22 100%	41 100%	61 100%	145 100%	142 100%
Greater involvement of the private health insurance sector and private contractors	152 36%	5 17%	21 38%	100 37%	23 42%	14 41%	20 50%	15 44%	18 38%	18 44%	22 37%	4 67%	19 40%	36 32%	21 40%	4 36%	6 18%	4 57%	3 14%	15 37%	22 36%	55 38%	54 38%
Less involvement of the private health insurance sector and private contractors	237 57%	24 80%	29 52%	148 55%	30 55%	19 56%	16 40%	15 44%	24 50%	23 56%	34 58%	1 17%	23 49%	69 61%	27 51%	7 64%	26 79%	3 43%	17 77%	26 63%	34 56%	80 55%	77 54%
Not Stated	25 6%	1 3%	5 9%	17 6%	1 2%	1 3%	4 10%	3 9%	4 8%	- -	3 5%	1 17%	5 11%	7 6%	4 8%	- -	1 3%	- -	1 5%	- -	5 8%	8 6%	10 7%
	4 1%	- -	1 2%	2 1%	1 2%	- -	- -	1 3%	2 4%	- -	- -	- -	- -	1 1%	1 2%	- -	- -	- -	1 5%	- -	- -	2 1%	1 1%

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4. Should David Cameron make a commitment to hold a referendum on the Lisbon Treaty irrespective of the result of the Irish referendum on 2nd October, or not?

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No	336 80%	26 87%	45 80%	210 79%	48 87%	30 88%	29 73%	23 68%	41 85%	32 78%	46 78%	4 67%	43 91%	92 81%	39 74%	7 64%	4 85%	13 59%	31 76%	49 80%	118 81%	118 83%	
Don't know	51 12%	3 10%	8 14%	34 13%	5 9%	2 6%	6 15%	9 26%	6 13%	3 7%	7 12%	1 17%	2 4%	15 13%	8 15%	4 36%	2 9%	5 23%	7 17%	7 11%	15 10%	17 12%	
Not Stated	30 7%	1 3%	3 5%	23 9%	1 2%	2 6%	5 13%	2 6%	1 2%	6 15%	6 10%	1 17%	2 4%	6 5%	5 9%	- -	2 6%	1 14%	4 18%	3 7%	5 8%	12 8%	6 4%
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