

War in Afghanistan Survey

CATI Fieldwork : February 24th-25th 2010

Absolutes/col percents

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Q.1 Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?
Base: All respondents

	Gender			Age						Social Grade				Region				
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid-lands	North Eng-land	Wales & South West	Scot-land
Unweighted base	1005	448	557	82	125	187	204	187	220	339	280	133	253	260	264	253	138	90
Weighted base	1005	483	522	119	159	199	169	149	209	261	292	211	241	263	263	248	142	88
The war in Afghanistan is unwinnable																		
Agree	657 65%	320 66%	337 65%	74 62%	99 62%	136 68%	109 64%	101 68%	137 66%	178 68%	180 62%	142 67%	156 65%	173 66%	177 67%	158 64%	93 66%	56 63%
Disagree	281 28%	141 29%	141 27%	37 31%	52 32%	51 25%	52 30%	36 24%	55 26%	65 25%	94 32%	58 28%	64 27%	75 29%	72 27%	72 29%	35 25%	27 31%
Don't know	66 7%	22 5%	45 9%	8 7%	8 5%	12 6%	9 5%	12 8%	17 8%	18 7%	18 6%	10 5%	21 9%	15 6%	14 5%	19 8%	14 10%	5 6%
All British forces should be withdrawn from Afghanistan as quickly as possible																		
Agree	632 63%	273 57%	360 69%	83 70%	96 60%	125 63%	101 60%	89 60%	138 66%	137 52%	166 57%	150 71%	179 74%	165 63%	168 64%	143 58%	100 70%	56 63%
Disagree	343 34%	198 41%	145 28%	34 28%	58 36%	71 36%	60 35%	54 36%	66 31%	118 45%	114 39%	58 28%	54 22%	93 35%	87 33%	100 40%	33 23%	31 35%
Don't know	29 3%	12 2%	18 3%	2 2%	5 3%	3 1%	8 5%	6 4%	5 2%	7 3%	12 4%	3 1%	8 3%	6 2%	8 3%	5 2%	9 7%	2 2%

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<u>I feel I have a good understanding of the purpose of Britain's mission in Afghanistan</u>																		
Agree	567 56%	307 64%	260 50%	53 44%	91 57%	106 53%	99 58%	100 67%	118 56%	166 64%	181 62%	114 54%	106 44%	139 53%	157 60%	146 59%	77 54%	47 54%
Disagree	410 41%	164 34%	247 47%	66 56%	62 39%	91 46%	66 39%	41 28%	83 40%	91 35%	107 37%	90 43%	122 51%	119 45%	99 38%	91 37%	61 43%	40 45%
Don't know	28 3%	12 2%	16 3%	- -	6 4%	2 1%	5 3%	8 5%	8 4%	4 2%	4 1%	7 3%	13 5%	5 2%	7 3%	11 4%	4 3%	1 1%
<u>Large numbers of British troops will still be needed in Afghanistan five years from now</u>																		
Agree	500 50%	254 53%	246 47%	49 41%	78 49%	96 48%	78 46%	97 65%	102 49%	142 54%	163 56%	90 43%	105 44%	117 44%	128 49%	127 51%	78 55%	50 56%
Disagree	460 46%	209 43%	252 48%	70 59%	72 45%	93 47%	83 49%	46 31%	97 46%	109 42%	120 41%	108 51%	124 51%	135 51%	124 47%	107 43%	58 41%	36 41%
Don't know	45 4%	20 4%	24 5%	- -	10 6%	10 5%	8 5%	7 5%	10 5%	10 4%	9 3%	14 6%	12 5%	12 5%	11 4%	14 6%	5 4%	2 2%