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Table 1

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Base: All respondents

	Gender		Age						Social Class				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
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Weighted base	2028	994	1034	243	325	385	345	304	426	548	588	426	466	515	535	509	292	176
<u>Chancellor of the Exchequer, George Osborne</u>																		
Yes	493	298	194	44	51	67	76	89	166	180	141	98	74	129	165	93	68	38
	24%	30%	19%	18%	16%	17%	22%	29%	39%	33%	24%	23%	16%	25%	31%	18%	23%	21%
No	978	508	470	123	141	205	183	163	162	242	283	202	251	235	222	276	144	101
	48%	51%	45%	51%	43%	53%	53%	54%	38%	44%	48%	48%	54%	46%	41%	54%	49%	57%
Don't know	558	188	370	76	132	114	86	53	98	126	165	125	142	152	149	139	80	37
	28%	19%	36%	31%	41%	30%	25%	17%	23%	23%	28%	29%	30%	29%	28%	27%	28%	21%
<u>Prime Minister, David Cameron</u>																		
Yes	723	386	338	64	110	109	123	105	212	239	223	151	110	188	240	145	101	49
	36%	39%	33%	26%	34%	28%	36%	34%	50%	44%	38%	36%	24%	36%	45%	29%	35%	28%
No	948	473	475	142	129	200	165	161	152	222	262	195	269	237	200	271	136	103
	47%	48%	46%	58%	40%	52%	48%	53%	36%	41%	45%	46%	58%	46%	37%	53%	47%	59%
Don't know	357	135	222	38	85	76	57	39	61	86	103	79	88	90	95	92	55	24
	18%	14%	21%	16%	26%	20%	16%	13%	14%	16%	18%	19%	19%	17%	18%	18%	19%	14%
<u>Deputy Prime Minister, Nick Clegg</u>																		
Yes	447	226	221	40	73	75	73	72	115	137	139	94	77	130	130	95	61	31
	22%	23%	21%	16%	22%	19%	21%	24%	27%	25%	24%	22%	17%	25%	24%	19%	21%	17%
No	1135	587	548	144	154	221	198	189	228	302	318	246	270	268	284	314	164	105
	56%	59%	53%	59%	48%	57%	57%	62%	54%	55%	54%	58%	58%	52%	53%	62%	56%	60%
Don't know	446	180	265	60	98	89	74	43	82	109	132	86	119	117	122	100	67	40
	22%	18%	26%	24%	30%	23%	21%	14%	19%	20%	22%	20%	26%	23%	20%	23%	23%	23%
<u>Leader of the Opposition, Ed Miliband</u>																		
Yes	335	172	163	48	50	72	37	66	62	87	104	56	88	88	66	98	41	43
	17%	17%	16%	20%	15%	19%	11%	22%	15%	16%	18%	13%	19%	17%	12%	19%	14%	24%
No	1118	597	521	113	145	193	206	170	291	336	303	246	233	274	337	257	172	78
	55%	60%	50%	46%	45%	50%	60%	56%	68%	61%	52%	58%	50%	53%	63%	51%	59%	44%
Don't know	575	225	350	83	130	120	101	67	73	125	181	124	145	153	133	154	79	55
	28%	23%	34%	34%	40%	31%	29%	22%	17%	23%	31%	29%	31%	30%	25%	30%	27%	31%

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Weighted base	2028	994	1034	243	325	385	345	304	426	548	588	426	466	515	535	509	292	176
Shadow Chancellor, Ed Balls																		
Yes	310 15%	172 17%	138 13%	31 13%	27 8%	57 15%	44 13%	70 23%	80 19%	94 17%	99 17%	47 11%	70 15%	78 15%	63 12%	91 18%	45 15%	33 19%
No	1135 56%	616 62%	519 50%	115 47%	160 49%	197 51%	204 59%	172 56%	288 68%	324 59%	320 54%	256 60%	236 51%	276 54%	342 64%	257 50%	169 58%	91 52%
Don't know	583 29%	207 21%	377 36%	98 40%	138 42%	131 34%	97 28%	63 21%	57 13%	130 24%	169 29%	123 29%	160 34%	162 31%	130 24%	161 32%	79 27%	52 30%

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Weighted base	2028	176	92	238	179	188	107	190	255	260	185	158
<u>Chancellor of the Exchequer, George Osborne</u>												
Yes	493	38	17	42	35	58	23	58	59	70	45	48
	24%	21%	19%	17%	19%	31%	21%	31%	23%	27%	24%	31%
No	978	101	53	141	82	79	64	84	118	117	80	58
	48%	57%	58%	59%	46%	42%	59%	44%	46%	45%	44%	37%
Don't know	558	37	21	55	63	50	21	48	78	74	59	51
	28%	21%	23%	23%	35%	27%	20%	25%	31%	28%	32%	32%
<u>Prime Minister, David Cameron</u>												
Yes	723	49	29	66	51	79	30	87	84	105	71	74
	36%	28%	31%	27%	29%	42%	28%	46%	33%	40%	39%	47%
No	948	103	47	136	89	73	61	70	126	112	75	57
	47%	59%	51%	57%	49%	39%	56%	37%	49%	43%	41%	36%
Don't know	357	24	16	37	39	35	17	33	46	44	38	27
	18%	14%	17%	16%	22%	19%	16%	17%	18%	17%	21%	17%
<u>Deputy Prime Minister, Nick Clegg</u>												
Yes	447	31	19	43	33	43	13	43	65	65	49	44
	22%	17%	21%	18%	18%	23%	12%	23%	26%	25%	26%	28%
No	1135	105	59	157	99	99	74	103	130	138	91	81
	56%	60%	64%	66%	55%	53%	69%	54%	51%	53%	49%	52%
Don't know	446	40	14	38	47	46	21	44	60	57	46	32
	22%	23%	15%	16%	26%	24%	20%	23%	24%	22%	25%	20%
<u>Leader of the Opposition, Ed Miliband</u>												
Yes	335	43	18	51	29	29	26	18	52	36	15	18
	17%	24%	19%	21%	16%	16%	25%	10%	21%	14%	8%	12%
No	1118	78	46	124	87	119	52	115	110	164	120	103
	55%	44%	50%	52%	49%	63%	49%	61%	43%	63%	65%	65%
Don't know	575	55	28	64	63	39	29	57	93	61	51	37
	28%	31%	30%	27%	35%	21%	27%	30%	36%	23%	27%	23%

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Shadow Chancellor, Ed Balls												
Yes	310 15%	33 19%	18 20%	50 21%	23 13%	26 14%	23 22%	24 12%	42 16%	36 14%	22 12%	14 9%
No	1135 56%	91 52%	46 50%	122 51%	89 50%	117 63%	55 52%	120 63%	120 47%	156 60%	113 61%	104 66%
Don't know	583 29%	52 30%	28 30%	66 28%	67 37%	44 24%	29 27%	46 24%	93 36%	69 26%	50 27%	40 25%

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Table 2
Q6. Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?
Base: All respondents

	Gender		Age						Social Class				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	2028	963	1065	207	339	424	361	315	382	686	517	310	515	536	510	513	303	166
Weighted base	2028	994	1034	243	325	385	345	304	426	548	588	426	466	515	535	509	292	176
<u>The way the government is going about cutting public spending is fair</u>																		
Agree	640	370	270	75	95	98	99	90	185	207	183	149	102	170	214	128	91	38
	32%	37%	26%	31%	29%	25%	29%	30%	43%	38%	31%	35%	22%	33%	40%	25%	31%	22%
Disagree	1183	538	645	146	182	237	220	193	204	285	325	250	322	294	259	333	177	120
	58%	54%	62%	60%	56%	62%	64%	63%	48%	52%	55%	59%	69%	57%	48%	65%	60%	68%
Don't know	205	86	119	23	48	50	26	21	37	55	81	27	42	52	62	48	25	18
	10%	9%	12%	9%	15%	13%	7%	7%	9%	10%	14%	6%	9%	10%	12%	10%	8%	10%
<u>The government is cutting public spending too much and too quickly</u>																		
Agree	1185	514	671	152	200	233	222	183	195	284	349	247	305	307	262	334	166	116
	58%	52%	65%	62%	62%	60%	64%	60%	46%	52%	59%	58%	65%	60%	49%	66%	57%	66%
Disagree	629	383	246	56	85	98	91	105	194	209	166	137	118	153	207	125	98	47
	31%	39%	24%	23%	26%	26%	26%	34%	46%	38%	28%	32%	25%	30%	39%	25%	33%	27%
Don't know	214	97	117	36	39	54	32	17	36	54	74	42	44	56	67	50	28	13
	11%	10%	11%	15%	12%	14%	9%	6%	9%	10%	13%	10%	9%	11%	13%	10%	10%	7%
<u>Things in this country are generally heading in the right direction</u>																		
Agree	595	333	262	58	78	91	97	90	180	209	163	136	87	154	188	133	83	37
	29%	34%	25%	24%	24%	24%	28%	30%	42%	38%	28%	32%	19%	30%	35%	26%	28%	21%
Disagree	1028	481	547	140	168	213	180	165	161	226	287	222	292	261	232	278	156	100
	51%	48%	53%	58%	52%	55%	52%	54%	38%	41%	49%	52%	63%	51%	43%	55%	53%	57%
Don't know	405	179	226	45	79	81	67	49	84	112	138	68	87	100	115	98	54	38
	20%	18%	22%	19%	24%	21%	20%	16%	20%	20%	24%	16%	19%	19%	21%	19%	18%	22%
<u>The UK is on course for another wave of recession</u>																		
Agree	968	434	533	109	152	201	185	161	159	225	274	199	270	226	217	280	150	94
	48%	44%	52%	45%	47%	52%	54%	53%	37%	41%	47%	47%	58%	44%	41%	55%	51%	53%
Disagree	483	280	202	64	72	69	71	62	145	151	145	109	77	134	152	85	73	38
	24%	28%	20%	26%	22%	18%	21%	20%	34%	28%	25%	26%	17%	26%	28%	17%	25%	21%
Don't know	578	279	299	70	101	115	88	82	122	172	169	118	119	155	166	144	69	44
	28%	28%	29%	29%	31%	30%	26%	27%	29%	31%	29%	28%	26%	30%	31%	28%	24%	25%

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<u>The way the government is going about cutting public spending is fair</u>												
Agree	640 32%	38 22%	25 27%	51 21%	52 29%	77 41%	27 25%	71 37%	77 30%	93 36%	64 35%	67 42%
Disagree	1183 58%	120 68%	56 61%	163 69%	113 63%	87 46%	73 68%	107 56%	153 60%	141 54%	104 56%	66 42%
Don't know	205 10%	18 10%	11 12%	24 10%	14 8%	24 13%	7 7%	13 7%	26 10%	27 10%	17 9%	25 16%
<u>The government is cutting public spending too much and too quickly</u>												
Agree	1185 58%	116 66%	55 60%	169 71%	110 61%	96 51%	69 65%	100 53%	169 66%	138 53%	97 52%	66 42%
Disagree	629 31%	47 27%	25 27%	49 21%	51 28%	74 40%	29 27%	68 36%	58 23%	95 37%	69 37%	64 41%
Don't know	214 11%	13 7%	11 12%	20 8%	19 10%	18 9%	9 8%	22 11%	29 11%	27 10%	19 10%	28 18%
<u>Things in this country are generally heading in the right direction</u>												
Agree	595 29%	37 21%	22 24%	61 25%	49 28%	64 34%	23 21%	62 33%	59 23%	95 37%	60 32%	61 39%
Disagree	1028 51%	100 57%	51 56%	133 56%	94 52%	81 43%	66 61%	82 43%	142 56%	119 46%	90 49%	70 44%
Don't know	405 20%	38 22%	18 20%	44 19%	36 20%	42 22%	19 18%	46 24%	54 21%	45 17%	35 19%	27 17%
<u>The UK is on course for another wave of recession</u>												
Agree	968 48%	94 53%	53 58%	131 55%	96 54%	74 39%	66 61%	79 41%	120 47%	106 41%	84 46%	65 41%
Disagree	483 24%	38 21%	15 16%	42 18%	29 16%	55 29%	20 18%	48 25%	59 23%	75 29%	54 29%	49 31%
Don't know	578 28%	44 25%	24 26%	65 27%	54 30%	59 31%	22 21%	63 33%	76 30%	79 30%	47 25%	44 28%

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Table 3

Q11. Which one of the following groups do you think is going to be worst affected by the expected cuts in public spending?

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	Gender		Age						Social Class				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
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Adults on low incomes	904 45%	436 44%	469 45%	143 59%	165 51%	164 43%	169 49%	130 43%	133 31%	188 34%	258 44%	186 44%	273 58%	230 45%	212 40%	250 49%	125 43%	88 50%
Adults on middle incomes	698 34%	352 35%	346 33%	66 27%	105 32%	161 42%	115 33%	95 31%	157 37%	254 46%	218 37%	138 32%	88 19%	185 36%	198 37%	162 32%	102 35%	50 28%
The elderly	260 13%	126 13%	134 13%	8 3%	13 4%	30 8%	36 11%	62 20%	110 26%	63 12%	74 13%	57 13%	66 14%	60 12%	84 16%	53 11%	39 13%	23 13%
Children	89 4%	37 4%	52 5%	21 8%	24 8%	11 3%	13 4%	10 3%	10 2%	24 4%	21 4%	19 4%	26 6%	21 4%	19 4%	26 5%	15 5%	8 5%
Adults on high incomes	77 4%	43 4%	34 3%	6 2%	17 5%	19 5%	12 3%	8 2%	16 4%	19 3%	18 3%	26 6%	14 3%	19 4%	22 4%	17 3%	11 4%	8 4%

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Adults on low incomes	904 45%	88 50%	50 55%	103 43%	96 54%	78 41%	50 46%	78 41%	129 50%	101 39%	75 41%	56 35%
Adults on middle incomes	698 34%	50 28%	28 30%	74 31%	61 34%	69 37%	32 30%	70 37%	85 33%	100 39%	70 38%	59 37%
The elderly	260 13%	23 13%	8 8%	32 13%	14 8%	30 16%	16 15%	31 16%	26 10%	34 13%	23 13%	24 15%
Children	89 4%	8 5%	1 1%	20 8%	5 3%	5 2%	4 4%	8 4%	11 4%	10 4%	11 6%	7 4%
Adults on high incomes	77 4%	8 4%	5 5%	9 4%	3 2%	6 3%	6 5%	3 2%	5 2%	15 6%	5 3%	13 8%

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Table 4
Q3. Are you optimistic or pessimistic about each of the following?
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	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
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Weighted base	2028	994	1034	243	325	385	345	304	426	548	588	426	466	515	535	509	292	176
<u>The future state of the UK economy</u>																		
Optimistic	594	334	261	70	93	91	91	85	164	203	159	130	103	160	187	123	77	48
	29%	34%	25%	29%	29%	24%	26%	28%	39%	37%	27%	31%	22%	31%	35%	24%	26%	27%
Pessimistic	1168	542	626	139	173	244	215	185	212	283	345	239	302	295	280	311	177	106
	58%	55%	61%	57%	53%	63%	62%	61%	50%	52%	59%	56%	65%	57%	52%	61%	60%	60%
Don't know	265	118	147	34	58	50	39	34	50	62	85	57	62	61	68	75	39	22
	13%	12%	14%	14%	18%	13%	11%	11%	12%	11%	14%	13%	13%	12%	13%	15%	13%	13%
<u>Your personal financial situation</u>																		
Optimistic	721	388	333	82	124	104	102	103	206	251	194	161	115	184	200	175	102	60
	36%	39%	32%	34%	38%	27%	30%	34%	48%	46%	33%	38%	25%	36%	37%	34%	35%	34%
Pessimistic	1015	452	563	131	155	217	202	160	149	222	297	215	281	263	247	260	153	93
	50%	46%	54%	54%	48%	56%	58%	53%	35%	40%	51%	50%	60%	51%	46%	51%	52%	53%
Don't know	292	154	139	31	45	64	41	41	70	74	97	50	70	68	89	74	38	23
	14%	15%	13%	13%	14%	17%	12%	13%	17%	14%	17%	12%	15%	13%	17%	15%	13%	13%
Base: All respondents who work/are looking for work/students	1322	693	629	222	270	334	280	169	47	352	446	292	232	384	339	322	171	107
<u>Your job security in the future</u>																		
Optimistic	511	286	224	94	113	106	106	68	22	146	158	138	69	144	145	114	67	41
	39%	41%	36%	42%	42%	32%	38%	40%	48%	41%	35%	47%	30%	38%	43%	35%	39%	38%
Pessimistic	566	267	298	93	100	161	131	71	9	151	190	114	110	167	127	151	79	42
	43%	39%	47%	42%	37%	48%	47%	42%	19%	43%	43%	39%	47%	43%	37%	47%	47%	39%
Don't know	246	139	107	34	56	67	42	30	16	55	98	40	53	73	67	58	24	24
	19%	20%	17%	16%	21%	20%	15%	18%	33%	16%	22%	14%	23%	19%	20%	18%	14%	23%

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Optimistic	594 29%	48 27%	21 23%	58 24%	44 24%	56 30%	20 19%	61 32%	75 30%	84 32%	57 31%	71 45%
Pessimistic	1168 58%	106 60%	56 61%	153 64%	102 57%	105 56%	74 69%	102 54%	146 57%	148 57%	103 55%	73 46%
Don't know	265 13%	22 13%	14 16%	27 11%	33 19%	27 15%	13 13%	27 14%	33 13%	28 11%	25 14%	14 9%
<u>Your personal financial situation</u>												
Optimistic	721 36%	60 34%	32 35%	79 33%	64 36%	64 34%	40 37%	65 34%	81 32%	103 40%	62 33%	71 45%
Pessimistic	1015 50%	93 53%	45 49%	127 53%	88 49%	96 51%	57 53%	84 44%	132 52%	131 50%	95 52%	67 42%
Don't know	292 14%	23 13%	14 16%	32 14%	27 15%	27 14%	10 9%	42 22%	42 16%	26 10%	28 15%	20 13%
Base: All respondents who work/are looking for work/students	1322	107	54	155	114	126	69	127	212	171	102	86
<u>Your job security in the future</u>												
Optimistic	511 39%	41 38%	22 41%	49 32%	42 37%	52 41%	27 40%	49 38%	74 35%	70 41%	40 39%	44 52%
Pessimistic	566 43%	42 39%	24 44%	76 49%	51 45%	59 47%	33 48%	42 33%	96 45%	70 41%	47 46%	26 30%
Don't know	246 19%	24 23%	8 15%	29 19%	21 18%	15 12%	9 13%	36 29%	42 20%	31 18%	15 15%	16 18%

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Table 5

Q10. How, if at all, do you think the public spending cuts to be announced in the Spending Review will affect you personally?

Base: All respondents

	Gender			Age						Social Class				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	2028	963	1065	207	339	424	361	315	382	686	517	310	515	536	510	513	303	166
Weighted base	2028	994	1034	243	325	385	345	304	426	548	588	426	466	515	535	509	292	176
NET: positively	243 12%	137 14%	106 10%	28 12%	51 16%	33 9%	29 8%	42 14%	59 14%	45 8%	61 10%	69 16%	68 15%	61 12%	61 11%	63 12%	33 11%	25 14%
Very positively	(5) 49 2%	25 2%	24 2%	7 3%	15 5%	6 1%	7 2%	11 4%	3 1%	11 2%	8 1%	18 4%	13 3%	12 2%	13 2%	15 3%	5 2%	4 2%
Quite positively	(4) 194 10%	112 11%	82 8%	21 9%	36 11%	27 7%	22 6%	31 10%	56 13%	35 6%	53 9%	51 12%	55 12%	49 9%	48 9%	48 9%	28 9%	21 12%
I don't think they will affect me	(3) 319 16%	202 20%	117 11%	42 17%	33 10%	40 10%	53 15%	47 16%	103 24%	102 19%	90 15%	75 18%	52 11%	88 17%	97 18%	71 14%	44 15%	19 11%
Quite negatively	(2) 811 40%	380 38%	430 42%	96 39%	128 39%	170 44%	149 43%	124 41%	145 34%	240 44%	239 41%	162 38%	169 36%	203 39%	228 43%	198 39%	109 37%	73 42%
Very negatively	(1) 349 17%	154 15%	195 19%	38 16%	54 17%	101 26%	72 21%	49 16%	35 8%	89 16%	107 18%	65 15%	88 19%	91 18%	63 12%	102 20%	64 22%	29 17%
NET: Negatively	1160 57%	534 54%	625 60%	134 55%	182 56%	270 70%	220 64%	173 57%	180 42%	329 60%	347 59%	226 53%	257 55%	294 57%	291 54%	300 59%	173 59%	103 58%
Don't know	307 15%	121 12%	186 18%	39 16%	58 18%	41 11%	43 12%	42 14%	84 20%	71 13%	91 15%	56 13%	89 19%	72 14%	86 16%	76 15%	43 15%	29 17%
Mean	2.29	2.40	2.19	2.33	2.37	2.03	2.15	2.36	2.55	2.24	2.22	2.45	2.30	2.30	2.38	2.25	2.20	2.30
Standard deviation	1.00	1.01	0.99	1.01	1.12	0.94	0.94	1.05	0.91	0.91	0.96	1.08	1.09	1.00	0.95	1.04	1.01	1.03
Standard error	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.08	0.07	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.04	0.05	0.07	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.09

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Weighted base	2028	176	92	238	179	188	107	190	255	260	185	158
NET: positively	243 12%	25 14%	15 17%	23 10%	24 14%	14 7%	13 12%	22 12%	31 12%	30 11%	20 11%	25 16%
Very positively	(5) 49 2%	4 2%	3 4%	3 1%	9 5%	3 2%	3 2%	3 2%	6 2%	7 3%	3 1%	7 4%
Quite positively	(4) 194 10%	21 12%	12 13%	21 9%	16 9%	10 6%	11 10%	19 10%	26 10%	23 9%	17 9%	18 12%
I don't think they will affect me	(3) 319 16%	19 11%	9 10%	34 14%	28 16%	28 15%	15 14%	34 18%	38 15%	51 19%	29 16%	35 22%
Quite negatively	(2) 811 40%	73 42%	33 36%	93 39%	72 40%	84 45%	47 44%	90 47%	98 38%	105 40%	62 33%	54 34%
Very negatively	(1) 349 17%	29 17%	17 18%	56 23%	30 17%	25 13%	22 20%	20 10%	48 19%	43 17%	42 23%	18 12%
NET: Negatively	1160 57%	103 58%	50 54%	149 62%	102 57%	109 58%	69 64%	109 58%	146 57%	148 57%	104 56%	73 46%
Don't know	307 15%	29 17%	18 20%	33 14%	25 14%	37 20%	11 10%	24 13%	41 16%	32 12%	33 18%	25 16%
Mean	2.29	2.30	2.35	2.13	2.36	2.23	2.22	2.37	2.27	2.32	2.19	2.55
Standard deviation	1.00	1.03	1.14	0.97	1.08	0.89	1.01	0.90	1.02	0.99	1.02	1.05
Standard error	0.02	0.09	0.13	0.07	0.09	0.07	0.10	0.07	0.07	0.06	0.08	0.09

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Weighted base	2028	994	1034	243	325	385	345	304	426	548	588	426	466	515	535	509	292	176
<u>It is right for the UK to take military action against Colonel Gaddafi's forces in Libya</u>																		
Agree	706	435	271	77	100	139	110	111	170	229	212	150	115	188	196	146	119	56
	35%	44%	26%	32%	31%	36%	32%	36%	40%	42%	36%	35%	25%	37%	37%	29%	41%	32%
Disagree	877	406	471	96	122	167	175	137	180	216	242	192	227	226	236	237	106	73
	43%	41%	46%	39%	38%	43%	51%	45%	42%	39%	41%	45%	49%	44%	44%	47%	36%	42%
Don't know	445	153	292	71	102	80	60	56	75	103	134	84	124	102	103	126	67	47
	22%	15%	28%	29%	32%	21%	17%	19%	18%	19%	23%	20%	27%	20%	19%	25%	23%	27%
<u>I feel I have a good understanding of why the UK is planning military action in Libya</u>																		
Agree	1064	629	434	100	130	204	199	181	250	330	317	231	185	285	288	247	148	95
	52%	63%	42%	41%	40%	53%	58%	59%	59%	60%	54%	54%	40%	55%	54%	49%	51%	54%
Disagree	596	234	361	98	112	108	104	78	96	142	174	107	172	153	146	166	81	49
	29%	24%	35%	40%	35%	28%	30%	26%	22%	26%	30%	25%	37%	30%	27%	33%	28%	28%
Don't know	368	130	238	45	82	74	42	45	80	76	97	87	109	77	101	96	63	32
	18%	13%	23%	19%	25%	19%	12%	15%	19%	14%	16%	20%	23%	15%	19%	19%	22%	18%
<u>Military action in Libya is an unnecessary risk for Britain to take</u>																		
Agree	991	463	528	111	146	185	182	152	214	247	288	207	249	235	280	264	122	89
	49%	47%	51%	46%	45%	48%	53%	50%	50%	45%	49%	49%	53%	46%	52%	52%	42%	51%
Disagree	627	376	251	67	85	124	106	96	148	205	183	131	107	178	166	130	105	48
	31%	38%	24%	28%	26%	32%	31%	32%	35%	37%	31%	31%	23%	34%	31%	26%	36%	27%
Don't know	411	155	256	65	93	77	56	56	64	95	118	87	110	102	90	115	65	39
	20%	16%	25%	27%	29%	20%	16%	18%	15%	17%	20%	21%	24%	20%	17%	23%	22%	22%
<u>The international action being taken on Libya reflects well on David Cameron's leadership</u>																		
Agree	720	416	304	73	105	141	110	118	172	224	223	163	110	205	201	148	111	57
	36%	42%	29%	30%	32%	37%	32%	39%	40%	41%	38%	38%	24%	40%	37%	29%	38%	32%
Disagree	698	359	339	83	89	126	140	115	147	179	185	144	191	172	175	192	102	58
	34%	36%	33%	34%	27%	33%	40%	38%	35%	33%	31%	34%	41%	33%	33%	38%	35%	33%
Don't know	609	218	391	88	131	118	95	71	106	145	180	119	165	139	159	169	80	62
	30%	22%	38%	36%	40%	31%	28%	23%	25%	26%	31%	28%	35%	27%	30%	33%	27%	35%

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	Gender		Age							Social Class				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
Weighted base	2028	994	1034	243	325	385	345	304	426	548	588	426	466	515	535	509	292	176
<u>It would be unacceptable for British armed forces personnel to risk death or injury while trying to protect Libyan opposition forces against Colonel Gaddafi's forces</u>																		
Agree	1071 53%	508 51%	564 54%	104 43%	148 46%	203 53%	201 58%	173 57%	243 57%	279 51%	301 51%	236 55%	255 55%	240 47%	309 58%	275 54%	151 52%	96 55%
Disagree	551 27%	331 33%	220 21%	74 31%	90 28%	107 28%	94 27%	77 25%	108 25%	171 31%	170 29%	107 25%	103 22%	171 33%	127 24%	129 25%	85 29%	40 23%
Don't know	405 20%	155 16%	251 24%	65 27%	86 27%	75 20%	50 15%	55 18%	74 17%	97 18%	118 20%	83 19%	108 23%	104 20%	100 19%	105 21%	56 19%	40 23%

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	Total	Region										
		Scot-land	North East	North West	Yorks & Humber	West Mids	Wales	East-ern	London	South East	South West	East Mids
Unweighted base	2028	166	94	234	185	191	110	168	246	290	193	151
Weighted base	2028	176	92	238	179	188	107	190	255	260	185	158
<u>It is right for the UK to take military action against Colonel Gaddafi's forces in Libya</u>												
Agree	706 35%	56 32%	27 29%	69 29%	50 28%	54 29%	42 39%	77 41%	86 34%	102 39%	77 42%	64 41%
Disagree	877 43%	73 42%	47 51%	117 49%	73 41%	94 50%	41 39%	80 42%	113 44%	113 43%	65 35%	62 39%
Don't know	445 22%	47 27%	18 20%	52 22%	55 31%	39 21%	24 22%	33 17%	57 22%	45 17%	43 23%	31 20%
<u>I feel I have a good understanding of why the UK is planning military action in Libya</u>												
Agree	1064 52%	95 54%	51 55%	114 48%	82 46%	97 51%	56 52%	115 60%	131 52%	154 59%	92 49%	77 49%
Disagree	596 29%	49 28%	26 28%	76 32%	64 36%	59 31%	30 28%	42 22%	80 31%	73 28%	52 28%	46 29%
Don't know	368 18%	32 18%	15 16%	48 20%	32 18%	32 17%	22 20%	34 18%	43 17%	33 13%	42 23%	35 22%
<u>Military action in Libya is an unnecessary risk for Britain to take</u>												
Agree	991 49%	89 51%	52 56%	120 50%	93 52%	105 56%	45 42%	97 51%	116 46%	119 46%	77 42%	77 49%
Disagree	627 31%	48 27%	23 25%	67 28%	40 22%	51 27%	35 33%	63 33%	80 31%	98 38%	70 38%	52 33%
Don't know	411 20%	39 22%	17 19%	51 22%	47 26%	31 17%	27 25%	30 16%	59 23%	43 17%	38 20%	29 18%
<u>The international action being taken on Libya reflects well on David Cameron's leadership</u>												
Agree	720 36%	57 32%	34 37%	62 26%	52 29%	63 34%	38 35%	75 39%	102 40%	102 39%	73 40%	63 40%
Disagree	698 34%	58 33%	35 39%	98 41%	59 33%	70 37%	43 40%	58 31%	90 35%	82 31%	59 32%	47 30%
Don't know	609 30%	62 35%	23 25%	78 33%	69 38%	55 29%	27 25%	57 30%	63 24%	76 29%	53 29%	48 30%

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Weighted base	2028	176	92	238	179	188	107	190	255	260	185	158
It would be unacceptable for British armed forces personnel to risk death or injury while trying to protect Libyan opposition forces against Colonel Gaddafi's forces												
Agree	1071 53%	96 55%	49 54%	130 55%	96 54%	112 60%	57 53%	107 56%	112 44%	129 49%	93 50%	90 57%
Disagree	551 27%	40 23%	25 27%	65 27%	39 22%	39 21%	27 25%	50 27%	80 31%	91 35%	59 32%	37 24%
Don't know	405 20%	40 23%	18 20%	43 18%	44 25%	36 19%	23 22%	33 17%	63 25%	41 16%	33 18%	31 19%

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Table 7

Q31. Thinking about the Budget to be announced on Wednesday, do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

Base: All respondents

	Gender		Age						Social Class				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	2028	963	1065	207	339	424	361	315	382	686	517	310	515	536	510	513	303	166
Weighted base	2028	994	1034	243	325	385	345	304	426	548	588	426	466	515	535	509	292	176
<u>Based on my experience so far of the Coalition Government, I am optimistic that the Budget next week will succeed in accelerating economic growth</u>																		
Agree	522	286	236	51	71	83	80	75	162	174	136	121	91	127	166	114	82	33
	26%	29%	23%	21%	22%	22%	23%	25%	38%	32%	23%	28%	19%	25%	31%	22%	28%	19%
Disagree	994	489	505	126	141	201	180	168	178	242	302	187	263	239	238	270	148	100
	49%	49%	49%	52%	44%	52%	52%	55%	42%	44%	51%	44%	56%	46%	44%	53%	50%	57%
Don't know	513	220	293	67	112	102	85	61	86	132	150	117	113	150	132	125	63	43
	25%	22%	28%	28%	34%	26%	25%	20%	20%	24%	26%	28%	24%	29%	25%	25%	22%	25%
<u>This is not the right time for the Coalition Government to raise taxes</u>																		
Agree	1442	668	775	160	209	302	257	219	296	371	414	325	332	351	381	359	210	141
	71%	67%	75%	66%	64%	78%	75%	72%	69%	68%	70%	76%	71%	68%	71%	71%	72%	80%
Disagree	284	185	99	35	43	35	42	53	76	101	73	56	54	80	77	68	44	15
	14%	19%	10%	14%	13%	9%	12%	18%	18%	18%	12%	13%	12%	16%	14%	13%	15%	8%
Don't know	302	141	160	49	73	49	46	32	54	75	101	46	80	84	77	82	39	20
	15%	14%	16%	20%	22%	13%	13%	10%	13%	14%	17%	11%	17%	16%	14%	16%	13%	11%
<u>Scrapping the planned 1p increase in fuel duty will be enough to make a difference to my household's finances</u>																		
Agree	439	209	231	65	80	84	58	99	127	124	107	82	111	122	110	56	40	
	22%	21%	22%	27%	25%	22%	17%	18%	23%	23%	21%	25%	18%	22%	23%	22%	19%	23%
Disagree	1325	676	649	132	193	249	258	218	276	362	381	276	306	320	342	341	207	116
	65%	68%	63%	54%	59%	65%	75%	72%	65%	66%	65%	65%	66%	62%	64%	67%	71%	66%
Don't know	264	109	154	46	52	52	29	32	51	59	83	44	78	84	71	58	30	21
	13%	11%	15%	19%	16%	14%	9%	11%	12%	11%	14%	10%	17%	16%	13%	11%	10%	12%
<u>The Coalition Government has the right policies to ensure the British economy grows</u>																		
Agree	534	310	225	47	77	81	87	81	161	189	144	124	76	136	170	113	80	35
	26%	31%	22%	19%	24%	21%	25%	27%	38%	35%	25%	29%	16%	26%	32%	22%	27%	20%
Disagree	921	448	473	105	135	199	161	156	165	216	256	191	258	231	205	253	136	96
	45%	45%	46%	43%	42%	52%	47%	51%	39%	39%	44%	45%	55%	45%	38%	50%	47%	54%
Don't know	572	236	337	91	112	106	97	67	100	142	187	111	132	148	160	142	76	46
	28%	24%	33%	37%	35%	27%	28%	22%	23%	26%	32%	26%	28%	29%	30%	28%	26%	26%

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Weighted base	2028	994	1034	243	325	385	345	304	426	548	588	426	466	515	535	509	292	176
<u>The Coalition Government doesn't understand the problems faced by ordinary British families in the current economic climate</u>																		
Agree	1289	590	700	165	198	255	224	205	243	305	371	292	322	309	331	345	184	119
	64%	59%	68%	68%	61%	66%	65%	67%	57%	56%	63%	68%	69%	60%	62%	68%	63%	68%
Disagree	492	285	207	37	66	76	86	79	148	178	135	90	89	137	145	106	76	29
	24%	29%	20%	15%	20%	20%	25%	26%	35%	33%	23%	21%	19%	27%	27%	21%	26%	16%
Don't know	246	119	127	41	61	54	35	21	35	64	83	44	55	69	59	58	32	28
	12%	12%	12%	17%	19%	14%	10%	7%	8%	12%	14%	10%	12%	13%	11%	11%	11%	16%

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<u>Based on my experience so far of the Coalition Government, I am optimistic that the Budget next week will succeed in accelerating economic growth</u>												
Agree	522 26%	33 19%	24 26%	48 20%	42 23%	59 32%	22 21%	57 30%	55 22%	72 28%	60 32%	50 32%
Disagree	994 49%	100 57%	50 55%	136 57%	84 47%	80 43%	67 62%	91 48%	127 50%	112 43%	81 44%	66 42%
Don't know	513 25%	43 25%	17 19%	55 23%	53 30%	48 25%	18 17%	42 22%	73 29%	77 29%	45 24%	42 27%
<u>This is not the right time for the Coalition Government to raise taxes</u>												
Agree	1442 71%	141 80%	69 75%	173 73%	117 66%	132 70%	79 74%	133 70%	173 68%	178 69%	130 70%	116 74%
Disagree	284 14%	15 8%	9 10%	33 14%	26 15%	27 14%	16 15%	32 17%	31 12%	49 19%	27 15%	19 12%
Don't know	302 15%	20 11%	14 16%	33 14%	35 20%	29 15%	12 11%	25 13%	51 20%	33 13%	27 15%	23 14%
<u>Scrapping the planned 1p increase in fuel duty will be enough to make a difference to my household's finances</u>												
Agree	439 22%	40 23%	23 25%	36 15%	50 28%	49 26%	13 12%	48 25%	50 20%	62 24%	43 23%	26 16%
Disagree	1325 65%	116 66%	60 65%	175 73%	107 60%	119 63%	80 74%	118 62%	147 58%	173 66%	127 69%	105 66%
Don't know	264 13%	21 12%	9 10%	27 11%	22 12%	20 11%	15 14%	24 13%	58 23%	26 10%	15 8%	27 17%
<u>The Coalition Government has the right policies to ensure the British economy grows</u>												
Agree	534 26%	35 20%	22 24%	46 19%	45 25%	56 30%	22 20%	61 32%	61 24%	76 29%	58 32%	52 33%
Disagree	921 45%	96 54%	46 51%	125 53%	82 46%	75 40%	63 58%	76 40%	126 49%	105 40%	73 40%	54 34%
Don't know	572 28%	46 26%	23 25%	67 28%	52 29%	56 30%	23 21%	53 28%	69 27%	79 31%	53 29%	51 32%

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Table 7

Q31. Thinking about the Budget to be announced on Wednesday, do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

Base: All respondents

	Total	Region										
		Scot-land	North East	North West	Yorks & Humber	West Mids	Wales	East-ern	London	South East	South West	East Mids
Weighted base	2028	176	92	238	179	188	107	190	255	260	185	158
<u>The Coalition Government doesn't understand the problems faced by ordinary British families in the current economic climate</u>												
Agree	1289 64%	119 68%	59 64%	170 71%	117 65%	121 64%	75 70%	114 60%	159 62%	151 58%	109 59%	97 61%
Disagree	492 24%	29 16%	23 25%	44 19%	39 22%	48 26%	23 22%	48 25%	57 22%	80 31%	53 29%	48 31%
Don't know	246 12%	28 16%	10 11%	24 10%	23 13%	18 10%	9 9%	29 15%	39 15%	30 11%	23 12%	13 8%