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METHODOLOGY NOTE

ComRes interviewed 2050 British adults online from 1st to 3rd March 2013. Data were weighted to be demographically representative of all GB adults aged 18+. ComRes is a member of the British Polling Council and abides by its rules.

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<u>The Conservative Party's failure to win the Eastleigh by-election reinforces that they are too unpopular to win the 2015 General Election</u>															
Agree	968 47%	510 51%	459 44%	78 31%	148 45%	184 47%	175 50%	161 53%	223 52%	262 47%	251 42%	196 45%	259 55%	147 46%	348 42%
Disagree	487 24%	286 28%	201 19%	68 27%	57 17%	86 22%	82 23%	79 26%	116 27%	147 27%	154 26%	110 26%	76 16%	83 26%	207 25%
Don't know	594 29%	209 21%	385 37%	101 41%	123 37%	120 31%	92 26%	67 22%	91 21%	145 26%	190 32%	125 29%	135 29%	89 28%	274 33%
<u>The Conservative Party's failure to win the Eastleigh by-election shows the public have lost confidence in George Osborne's economic plans</u>															
Agree	1093 53%	549 55%	544 52%	100 41%	156 48%	211 54%	188 54%	181 59%	257 60%	283 51%	291 49%	243 56%	277 59%	161 50%	406 49%
Disagree	438 21%	280 28%	158 15%	48 20%	66 20%	67 17%	83 24%	61 20%	113 26%	151 27%	129 22%	81 19%	77 16%	65 20%	197 24%
Don't know	519 25%	176 18%	344 33%	98 40%	106 32%	112 29%	78 22%	65 21%	61 14%	120 22%	175 29%	107 25%	117 25%	94 29%	226 27%
<u>UKIP coming second at the Eastleigh by-election shows they are a credible force in British politics</u>															
Agree	958 47%	530 53%	429 41%	92 37%	119 36%	165 42%	163 47%	176 57%	244 57%	247 45%	259 44%	219 51%	233 49%	148 46%	352 42%
Disagree	582 28%	322 32%	260 25%	56 23%	85 26%	116 30%	108 31%	88 29%	129 30%	195 35%	180 30%	98 23%	108 23%	93 29%	244 29%
Don't know	510 25%	153 15%	357 34%	98 40%	125 38%	108 28%	78 22%	43 14%	57 13%	111 20%	155 26%	113 26%	130 28%	78 25%	233 28%

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Agree	1147 56%	642 64%	504 48%	109 44%	163 50%	213 55%	176 51%	206 67%	279 65%	303 55%	326 55%	248 58%	270 57%	163 51%	442 53%
Disagree	407 20%	200 20%	206 20%	55 22%	54 17%	65 17%	93 27%	44 14%	96 22%	138 25%	132 22%	71 17%	65 14%	79 25%	158 19%
Don't know	497 24%	162 16%	334 32%	82 33%	110 34%	112 29%	79 23%	58 19%	55 13%	112 20%	137 23%	111 26%	136 29%	78 24%	228 28%
<u>UKIP coming second at the Eastleigh by-election shows they are now the true voice of Conservatives in the UK</u>															
Agree	521 25%	305 30%	216 21%	49 20%	68 21%	98 25%	85 24%	92 30%	130 30%	140 25%	138 23%	108 25%	135 29%	71 22%	197 24%
Disagree	850 41%	462 46%	388 37%	100 41%	103 31%	149 38%	154 44%	127 41%	217 50%	280 51%	261 44%	157 36%	152 32%	125 39%	347 42%
Don't know	679 33%	238 24%	441 42%	98 40%	157 48%	143 37%	109 31%	89 29%	83 19%	133 24%	195 33%	166 39%	185 39%	123 39%	285 34%
<u>Nick Clegg has handled the allegations of sexual harassment against Lord Rennard well</u>															
Agree	309 15%	163 16%	146 14%	50 20%	52 16%	64 16%	42 12%	38 12%	62 14%	86 15%	101 17%	64 15%	58 12%	63 20%	138 17%
Disagree	1057 52%	574 57%	483 46%	57 23%	119 36%	187 48%	190 54%	198 64%	307 71%	327 59%	296 50%	200 46%	234 50%	137 43%	385 47%
Don't know	685 33%	268 27%	417 40%	139 57%	158 48%	138 35%	116 33%	71 23%	61 14%	141 25%	198 33%	167 39%	179 38%	120 38%	306 37%

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Weighted base	2050	1763	178	93	241	181	190	159	109	192	258	263	187	1148	902	246	902	116	130	149	361	146
<u>The Conservative Party's failure to win the Eastleigh by-election reinforces that they are too unpopular to win the 2015 General Election</u>																						
Agree	968 47%	819 46%	89 50%	56 60%	125 52%	87 48%	98 52%	68 43%	61 56%	77 40%	118 46%	110 42%	80 43%	495 43%	392 43%	103 42%	473 52%	60 52%	70 54%	92 62%	181 50%	70 48%
Disagree	487 24%	447 25%	34 19%	15 16%	60 25%	41 23%	35 18%	50 32%	7 6%	63 33%	69 27%	74 28%	39 21%	290 25%	234 26%	56 23%	197 22%	14 12%	29 22%	35 24%	99 28%	20 14%
Don't know	594 29%	498 28%	56 31%	22 24%	56 23%	52 29%	57 30%	41 26%	41 37%	52 27%	71 28%	79 30%	68 36%	363 32%	277 31%	87 35%	231 26%	41 36%	31 24%	21 14%	81 22%	57 39%
<u>The Conservative Party's failure to win the Eastleigh by-election shows the public have lost confidence in George Osborne's economic plans</u>																						
Agree	1093 53%	938 53%	94 53%	66 71%	140 58%	104 57%	106 56%	76 48%	61 56%	105 54%	115 45%	119 45%	108 58%	567 49%	444 49%	122 50%	526 58%	65 56%	69 53%	99 67%	210 58%	83 56%
Disagree	438 21%	389 22%	36 21%	10 10%	46 19%	41 23%	41 22%	41 26%	12 11%	46 24%	67 26%	64 24%	33 17%	262 23%	218 24%	44 18%	176 20%	11 9%	26 20%	33 22%	93 26%	14 10%
Don't know	519 25%	436 25%	47 27%	17 18%	55 23%	36 20%	43 23%	42 27%	36 33%	41 21%	76 30%	80 30%	46 25%	320 28%	240 27%	79 32%	200 22%	40 34%	35 27%	17 11%	58 16%	50 34%
<u>UKIP coming second at the Eastleigh by-election shows they are a credible force in British politics</u>																						
Agree	958 47%	835 47%	75 42%	43 47%	112 47%	102 56%	91 48%	78 49%	49 45%	87 45%	106 41%	124 47%	91 49%	499 43%	394 44%	105 43%	459 51%	49 43%	49 37%	89 60%	210 58%	63 43%
Disagree	582 28%	503 28%	55 31%	24 26%	64 26%	46 26%	52 27%	41 26%	24 22%	65 34%	81 31%	75 29%	54 29%	337 29%	273 30%	64 26%	245 27%	28 24%	50 38%	35 23%	109 30%	23 16%
Don't know	510 25%	426 24%	48 27%	25 27%	65 27%	33 18%	46 24%	40 25%	36 33%	40 21%	71 27%	64 24%	42 23%	311 27%	235 26%	77 31%	198 22%	39 33%	31 24%	26 17%	42 12%	60 41%

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Agree	1147 56%	998 57%	87 49%	58 62%	125 52%	115 63%	121 64%	98 62%	61 56%	110 57%	118 46%	141 53%	112 60%	605 53%	488 54%	117 47%	542 60%	60 52%	73 56%	105 71%	233 65%	70 48%
Disagree	407 20%	359 20%	34 19%	16 18%	47 19%	30 16%	31 16%	28 18%	14 13%	56 29%	65 25%	54 21%	32 17%	237 21%	184 20%	53 21%	170 19%	17 14%	29 22%	24 16%	83 23%	18 12%
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Don't know	679 33%	562 32%	62 35%	29 31%	85 35%	54 30%	67 35%	45 28%	55 50%	49 25%	90 35%	80 31%	63 34%	408 36%	313 35%	95 39%	271 30%	45 39%	47 36%	37 25%	67 18%	76 52%
Nick Clegg has handled the allegations of sexual harassment against Lord Rennard well																						
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Don't know	685 33%	571 32%	60 34%	28 30%	80 33%	70 39%	55 29%	53 33%	53 49%	49 25%	102 40%	81 31%	52 28%	425 37%	328 36%	97 39%	259 29%	51 44%	55 42%	21 14%	52 14%	81 55%

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The British Government should keep all options open, including military ones if necessary, in responding to any possible threat of Falklands invasion															
Agree	1231 60%	728 72%	503 48%	104 42%	149 45%	201 51%	240 69%	219 71%	319 74%	345 62%	338 57%	267 62%	281 60%	190 59%	473 57%
Disagree	328 16%	152 15%	177 17%	51 21%	62 19%	73 19%	38 11%	44 14%	59 14%	108 20%	100 17%	57 13%	63 13%	66 21%	129 16%
Don't know	490 24%	125 12%	366 35%	91 37%	117 36%	116 30%	71 20%	45 15%	52 12%	100 18%	157 26%	106 25%	128 27%	64 20%	227 27%
I doubt that Britain would have the military capability to defeat an invading Argentine force should Argentina decide to invade the Falklands															
Agree	610 30%	284 28%	326 31%	44 18%	70 21%	95 24%	101 29%	121 39%	180 42%	175 32%	175 29%	111 26%	149 32%	79 25%	213 26%
Disagree	835 41%	522 52%	314 30%	102 42%	133 41%	159 41%	153 44%	111 36%	176 41%	241 44%	233 39%	194 45%	167 35%	136 42%	358 43%
Don't know	604 29%	199 20%	405 39%	100 41%	125 38%	136 35%	94 27%	75 25%	74 17%	137 25%	187 31%	125 29%	155 33%	104 33%	258 31%
The future of the Falkland Islands should be determined by the Islanders themselves															
Agree	1581 77%	826 82%	755 72%	142 58%	228 69%	276 71%	279 80%	267 87%	389 91%	451 81%	451 76%	326 76%	354 75%	240 75%	597 72%
Disagree	136 7%	68 7%	68 7%	22 9%	22 7%	34 9%	17 5%	20 6%	22 5%	39 7%	39 7%	23 5%	34 7%	19 6%	67 8%
Don't know	333 16%	111 11%	222 21%	82 34%	79 24%	80 20%	53 15%	20 7%	18 4%	63 11%	104 18%	82 19%	83 18%	60 19%	165 20%

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<u>The dispute over the Falkland Islands is more about oil & mineral rights than about the rights of the islanders</u>															
Agree	1077 53%	540 54%	538 51%	115 47%	176 53%	194 50%	173 50%	161 53%	258 60%	304 55%	312 52%	216 50%	245 52%	166 52%	407 49%
Disagree	387 19%	273 27%	114 11%	22 9%	38 12%	71 18%	80 23%	79 26%	96 22%	123 22%	98 16%	95 22%	71 15%	64 20%	153 18%
Don't know	586 29%	192 19%	394 38%	109 44%	114 35%	124 32%	96 27%	67 22%	76 18%	127 23%	185 31%	119 28%	155 33%	89 28%	268 32%
<u>The UK should strive to keep control of the Falklands due to the economic and geographic benefits which the Islands give</u>															
Agree	983 48%	606 60%	377 36%	92 37%	131 40%	162 42%	175 50%	171 56%	253 59%	281 51%	258 43%	220 51%	224 47%	136 43%	397 48%
Disagree	415 20%	203 20%	212 20%	49 20%	75 23%	87 22%	67 19%	50 16%	86 20%	131 24%	132 22%	77 18%	75 16%	90 28%	165 20%
Don't know	652 32%	197 20%	456 44%	105 43%	122 37%	140 36%	107 31%	86 28%	91 21%	141 26%	204 34%	134 31%	173 37%	93 29%	267 32%
<u>It should not be Britain's job to worry about defending a group of islands as far away as the Falklands</u>															
Agree	484 24%	197 20%	287 27%	67 27%	104 32%	103 27%	73 21%	52 17%	84 20%	94 17%	160 27%	105 24%	125 27%	92 29%	192 23%
Disagree	1143 56%	681 68%	463 44%	99 40%	121 37%	194 50%	200 57%	216 70%	313 73%	365 66%	304 51%	237 55%	237 50%	160 50%	437 53%
Don't know	423 21%	127 13%	295 28%	80 33%	104 32%	92 24%	75 22%	38 13%	33 8%	95 17%	130 22%	89 21%	108 23%	67 21%	201 24%

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<u>The Government should be focusing its attention on the needs of people in Britain, rather than those in the Falklands</u>															
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Don't know	395 19%	149 15%	246 24%	71 29%	85 26%	82 21%	67 19%	37 12%	54 12%	80 14%	123 21%	85 20%	108 23%	52 16%	182 22%
<u>David Cameron is making an issue with the Falkland Islands now to divert attention away from the state of the British economy</u>															
Agree	804 39%	369 37%	435 42%	83 34%	124 38%	167 43%	142 41%	129 42%	159 37%	199 36%	206 35%	180 42%	219 47%	141 44%	288 35%
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<u>The British Government should keep all options open, including military ones if necessary, in responding to any possible threat of Falklands invasion</u>																						
Agree	1231	1063	109	59	156	110	116	112	60	125	112	172	101	663	533	130	569	60	66	117	262	64
	60%	60%	61%	64%	65%	61%	61%	70%	55%	65%	43%	65%	54%	58%	59%	53%	63%	52%	51%	79%	72%	44%
Disagree	328	286	31	18	29	35	32	25	11	27	63	23	34	195	150	45	133	21	27	12	54	19
	16%	16%	18%	20%	12%	19%	17%	16%	10%	14%	24%	9%	18%	17%	17%	18%	15%	18%	21%	8%	15%	13%
Don't know	490	414	38	15	56	36	41	23	38	39	83	69	52	290	219	71	200	35	36	19	46	63
	24%	23%	21%	17%	23%	20%	22%	14%	35%	20%	32%	26%	28%	25%	24%	29%	22%	30%	28%	13%	13%	43%
<u>I doubt that Britain would have the military capability to defeat an invading Argentine force should Argentina decide to invade the Falklands</u>																						
Agree	610	537	46	30	65	34	62	68	27	70	60	91	59	292	218	74	318	31	32	62	145	47
	30%	30%	26%	32%	27%	19%	32%	43%	25%	36%	23%	35%	31%	25%	24%	30%	35%	27%	25%	41%	40%	32%
Disagree	835	716	81	36	109	88	80	56	38	78	109	93	67	493	414	79	342	44	53	61	151	33
	41%	41%	46%	39%	45%	49%	42%	35%	35%	41%	42%	35%	36%	43%	46%	32%	38%	38%	41%	41%	42%	23%
Don't know	604	510	51	27	67	59	48	35	44	44	89	79	62	363	270	93	242	40	45	26	65	66
	29%	29%	29%	29%	28%	32%	25%	22%	40%	23%	34%	30%	33%	32%	30%	38%	27%	35%	34%	17%	18%	45%
<u>The future of the Falkland Islands should be determined by the Islanders themselves</u>																						
Agree	1581	1371	136	76	188	137	142	131	74	158	190	207	140	837	668	170	744	85	102	130	331	95
	77%	78%	76%	82%	78%	76%	75%	82%	68%	82%	74%	79%	75%	73%	74%	69%	82%	73%	79%	88%	92%	65%
Disagree	136	118	14	2	20	8	18	12	4	13	18	16	11	85	68	17	51	9	3	14	15	10
	7%	7%	8%	2%	8%	4%	9%	8%	3%	7%	7%	6%	6%	7%	8%	7%	6%	8%	2%	9%	4%	7%
Don't know	333	274	28	14	33	36	30	16	31	20	50	40	36	225	166	59	108	21	25	5	16	41
	16%	16%	16%	15%	14%	20%	16%	10%	28%	11%	19%	15%	19%	20%	18%	24%	12%	18%	19%	3%	4%	28%

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Weighted base	2050	1763	178	93	241	181	190	159	109	192	258	263	187	1148	902	246	902	116	130	149	361	146
The dispute over the Falkland Islands is more about oil & mineral rights than about the rights of the islanders																						
Agree	1077 53%	926 53%	96 54%	51 55%	119 49%	93 51%	90 47%	91 57%	56 51%	101 53%	158 61%	127 48%	97 52%	574 50%	445 49%	129 52%	504 56%	65 56%	72 55%	91 61%	204 56%	72 49%
Disagree	387 19%	343 19%	30 17%	19 20%	51 21%	36 20%	45 24%	35 22%	14 13%	40 21%	33 13%	49 19%	37 20%	217 19%	190 21%	27 11%	169 19%	16 14%	18 14%	31 21%	90 25%	14 10%
Don't know	586 29%	494 28%	52 29%	23 25%	72 30%	52 29%	55 29%	33 21%	39 36%	51 27%	68 26%	87 33%	53 28%	357 31%	267 30%	90 36%	229 25%	35 30%	40 31%	27 18%	68 19%	60 41%
The UK should strive to keep control of the Falklands due to the economic and geographic benefits which the Islands give																						
Agree	983 48%	858 49%	89 50%	47 50%	117 48%	100 55%	86 45%	97 61%	37 34%	98 51%	97 38%	135 51%	81 43%	533 46%	450 50%	84 34%	450 50%	41 36%	52 40%	97 65%	210 58%	50 34%
Disagree	415 20%	360 20%	33 19%	21 23%	48 20%	28 16%	34 18%	28 18%	22 20%	38 20%	70 27%	46 17%	46 25%	255 22%	189 21%	65 27%	160 18%	23 20%	25 20%	25 17%	66 18%	20 14%
Don't know	652 32%	546 31%	56 32%	25 27%	76 32%	53 29%	69 36%	35 22%	50 46%	56 29%	90 35%	82 31%	60 32%	360 31%	263 29%	97 39%	292 32%	51 44%	53 40%	26 18%	86 24%	77 52%
It should not be Britain's job to worry about defending a group of islands as far away as the Falklands																						
Agree	484 24%	417 24%	35 20%	23 25%	56 23%	33 18%	57 30%	38 24%	31 29%	43 22%	72 28%	54 21%	42 23%	284 25%	206 23%	77 31%	200 22%	34 30%	31 24%	31 21%	59 16%	46 31%
Disagree	1143 56%	993 56%	102 57%	50 54%	134 56%	103 57%	102 54%	104 66%	49 45%	120 62%	121 47%	156 59%	103 55%	597 52%	488 54%	109 44%	546 61%	50 44%	69 53%	107 72%	268 74%	52 36%
Don't know	423 21%	353 20%	41 23%	20 21%	51 21%	45 25%	31 16%	17 10%	29 26%	30 15%	65 25%	53 20%	42 22%	267 23%	208 23%	60 24%	155 17%	31 27%	30 23%	11 7%	35 10%	48 33%

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Table 2

Q.2 Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

Base: All respondents

	Region													Which of the following best describes your current working status?								
	Total	England	Scotland	North East	North West	Yorkshire & Humber	West Midlands	East Midlands	Wales	East of London	London	South East	South West	NET: Working	Working full time	Working part time	NET: Not working	Not working seeking work	Not working and not seeking work	Retired on a state pension only	Retired with a private pension	House person
Weighted base	2050	1763	178	93	241	181	190	159	109	192	258	263	187	1148	902	246	902	116	130	149	361	146
<u>The Government should be focusing its attention on the needs of people in Britain, rather than those in the Falklands</u>																						
Agree	931 45%	802 46%	75 42%	35 38%	121 50%	78 43%	85 45%	74 46%	54 49%	80 42%	124 48%	125 48%	79 42%	529 46%	406 45%	123 50%	402 45%	61 53%	59 45%	69 46%	131 36%	82 56%
Disagree	724 35%	626 35%	68 38%	35 38%	77 32%	62 34%	70 37%	67 42%	30 27%	77 40%	78 30%	96 37%	64 34%	385 34%	318 35%	68 28%	338 38%	29 25%	42 32%	59 40%	184 51%	24 16%
Don't know	395 19%	335 19%	35 19%	22 24%	43 18%	41 23%	34 18%	19 12%	25 23%	34 18%	56 22%	42 16%	44 23%	234 20%	179 20%	55 22%	161 18%	25 22%	29 22%	21 14%	46 13%	40 28%
<u>David Cameron is making an issue with the Falkland Islands now to divert attention away from the state of the British economy</u>																						
Agree	804 39%	703 40%	61 34%	47 51%	102 42%	63 35%	73 38%	62 39%	40 37%	63 33%	121 47%	96 37%	78 42%	429 37%	333 37%	95 39%	376 42%	55 48%	57 44%	65 44%	126 35%	71 49%
Disagree	685 33%	595 34%	62 35%	24 26%	74 31%	78 43%	63 33%	62 39%	28 26%	78 41%	69 27%	92 35%	55 29%	374 33%	310 34%	64 26%	312 35%	26 22%	42 32%	49 33%	169 47%	25 17%
Don't know	560 27%	465 26%	55 31%	22 24%	65 27%	40 22%	54 29%	35 22%	40 37%	51 27%	69 27%	75 28%	54 29%	346 30%	259 29%	87 35%	215 24%	34 30%	31 24%	34 23%	66 18%	50 34%

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Table 3
Q.3 Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?
Base: All respondents

	Gender			Age						Social Grade				Employment Sector	
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Public	Private
Unweighted base	2050	989	1061	232	307	389	329	328	465	606	627	310	507	256	734
Weighted base	2050	1005	1045	246	328	390	349	307	430	553	595	431	471	319	829
<u>The way the Government is going about cutting public spending is fair</u>															
Agree	571 28%	326 32%	244 23%	51 21%	99 30%	88 23%	97 28%	85 28%	151 35%	178 32%	183 31%	108 25%	101 21%	86 27%	251 30%
Disagree	1139 56%	560 56%	579 55%	128 52%	162 49%	222 57%	205 59%	188 61%	235 55%	291 53%	302 51%	247 57%	299 63%	190 60%	405 49%
Don't know	340 17%	118 12%	222 21%	68 27%	67 21%	80 20%	47 14%	34 11%	44 10%	84 15%	109 18%	75 17%	72 15%	43 13%	173 21%
<u>The Government is cutting public spending too much and too quickly</u>															
Agree	1103 54%	522 52%	580 56%	124 50%	176 54%	218 56%	200 57%	180 58%	204 48%	261 47%	316 53%	228 53%	298 63%	188 59%	402 48%
Disagree	633 31%	374 37%	259 25%	59 24%	87 26%	104 27%	106 30%	101 33%	176 41%	217 39%	186 31%	132 31%	98 21%	88 27%	279 34%
Don't know	315 15%	108 11%	206 20%	64 26%	65 20%	67 17%	42 12%	27 9%	49 11%	75 14%	93 16%	70 16%	76 16%	44 14%	148 18%
<u>Things in this country are generally heading in the right direction</u>															
Agree	500 24%	299 30%	202 19%	53 22%	63 19%	82 21%	71 20%	89 29%	142 33%	158 29%	176 30%	83 19%	84 18%	73 23%	201 24%
Disagree	1170 57%	561 56%	609 58%	121 49%	196 60%	236 61%	215 62%	176 57%	226 53%	287 52%	309 52%	270 63%	303 64%	196 62%	441 53%
Don't know	379 19%	145 14%	234 22%	72 29%	70 21%	72 18%	62 18%	43 14%	62 14%	108 20%	109 18%	77 18%	85 18%	50 16%	187 23%

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	Gender			Age						Social Grade				Employment Sector	
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Public	Private
Weighted base	2050	1005	1045	246	328	390	349	307	430	553	595	431	471	319	829
<u>The UK is on course for another wave of recession</u>															
Agree	1276 62%	595 59%	681 65%	128 52%	213 65%	257 66%	235 68%	202 66%	241 56%	316 57%	357 60%	271 63%	332 70%	216 68%	500 60%
Disagree	288 14%	190 19%	97 9%	51 21%	33 10%	53 14%	40 12%	45 15%	65 15%	93 17%	82 14%	67 16%	46 10%	47 15%	122 15%
Don't know	486 24%	220 22%	267 26%	67 27%	82 25%	80 21%	73 21%	60 20%	124 29%	144 26%	156 26%	93 21%	93 20%	56 18%	206 25%

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	Total	England	Scotland	North East	North West	Yorkshire & Humberside	West Midlands	East Midlands	Wales	Eastern	London	South East	South West	NET: Working	Working full time	Working part time	NET: Not working	Not working seeking work	Not working and not seeking work	Retired on a state pension only	Retired with a private pension	House person
Unweighted base	2050	1782	182	82	251	166	197	163	86	191	229	299	204	990	642	348	1060	137	176	151	427	169
Weighted base	2050	1763	178	93	241	181	190	159	109	192	258	263	187	1148	902	246	902	116	130	149	361	146
<u>The way the Government is going about cutting public spending is fair</u>																						
Agree	571	503	41	13	70	51	41	48	27	64	70	97	47	337	281	56	233	11	27	43	127	25
	28%	29%	23%	14%	29%	28%	22%	30%	25%	33%	27%	37%	25%	29%	31%	23%	26%	9%	21%	29%	35%	17%
Disagree	1139	964	108	69	137	104	108	87	67	101	130	113	114	595	457	138	545	79	78	93	197	97
	56%	55%	61%	74%	57%	58%	57%	55%	62%	53%	50%	43%	61%	52%	51%	56%	60%	69%	60%	63%	55%	66%
Don't know	340	297	28	10	33	26	40	24	15	27	58	53	26	216	164	52	124	25	25	13	37	25
	17%	17%	16%	11%	14%	14%	21%	15%	14%	14%	22%	20%	14%	19%	18%	21%	14%	22%	19%	9%	10%	17%
<u>The Government is cutting public spending too much and too quickly</u>																						
Agree	1103	936	98	67	140	101	106	78	69	96	126	118	103	590	453	137	513	84	77	82	177	93
	54%	53%	55%	73%	58%	56%	56%	49%	63%	50%	49%	45%	55%	51%	50%	56%	57%	73%	59%	55%	49%	64%
Disagree	633	555	52	12	73	58	51	57	25	75	87	92	52	367	303	64	266	11	32	47	148	27
	31%	31%	29%	13%	30%	32%	27%	36%	23%	39%	34%	35%	28%	32%	34%	26%	30%	10%	24%	32%	41%	19%
Don't know	315	272	28	13	28	22	33	24	15	21	45	53	32	192	146	46	123	20	22	20	36	25
	15%	15%	16%	14%	12%	12%	18%	15%	14%	11%	17%	20%	17%	17%	16%	19%	14%	18%	17%	13%	10%	17%
<u>Things in this country are generally heading in the right direction</u>																						
Agree	500	462	27	19	51	44	51	42	11	63	69	83	41	274	227	47	227	12	27	44	123	20
	24%	26%	15%	20%	21%	24%	27%	26%	10%	33%	27%	32%	22%	24%	25%	19%	25%	10%	21%	29%	34%	14%
Disagree	1170	979	111	64	155	107	106	92	80	91	121	128	115	638	499	139	532	84	72	86	192	99
	57%	56%	63%	69%	65%	59%	56%	58%	73%	47%	47%	49%	62%	56%	55%	56%	59%	73%	55%	58%	53%	67%
Don't know	379	322	40	10	35	30	33	25	18	38	68	52	30	237	176	60	143	19	31	19	46	27
	19%	18%	22%	11%	14%	17%	17%	16%	17%	20%	26%	20%	16%	21%	20%	24%	16%	16%	24%	13%	13%	19%

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Weighted base	2050	1763	178	93	241	181	190	159	109	192	258	263	187	1148	902	246	902	116	130	149	361	146
The UK is on course for another wave of recession																						
Agree	1276 62%	1088 62%	112 63%	66 71%	166 69%	114 63%	120 63%	97 61%	76 70%	105 55%	142 55%	162 62%	116 62%	716 62%	551 61%	165 67%	560 62%	83 72%	79 60%	102 69%	194 54%	101 69%
Disagree	288 14%	258 15%	19 11%	9 9%	31 13%	27 15%	30 16%	24 15%	11 10%	31 16%	45 17%	32 12%	28 15%	170 15%	138 15%	32 13%	118 13%	6 5%	22 17%	16 10%	62 17%	13 9%
Don't know	486 24%	417 24%	47 26%	18 20%	43 18%	40 22%	40 21%	38 24%	22 20%	56 29%	71 27%	69 26%	42 23%	262 23%	214 24%	49 20%	224 25%	26 22%	30 23%	31 21%	105 29%	32 22%

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Table 4
Q.4 Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?
Base: All respondents

	Gender			Age						Social Grade				Employment Sector	
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Public	Private
Unweighted base	2050	989	1061	232	307	389	329	328	465	606	627	310	507	256	734
Weighted base	2050	1005	1045	246	328	390	349	307	430	553	595	431	471	319	829
<u>I am worried that another recession would have a severe impact on me and my family</u>															
Agree	1360 66%	637 63%	723 69%	146 59%	226 69%	270 69%	255 73%	214 70%	248 58%	326 59%	392 66%	290 67%	352 75%	238 74%	545 66%
Disagree	381 19%	243 24%	138 13%	56 23%	51 16%	69 18%	46 13%	57 18%	102 24%	134 24%	110 19%	79 18%	57 12%	42 13%	161 19%
Don't know	310 15%	125 12%	185 18%	44 18%	51 15%	51 13%	48 14%	36 12%	80 19%	93 17%	93 16%	62 14%	62 13%	40 13%	123 15%
<u>The debt crisis in Europe is putting the UK economy in danger</u>															
Agree	1562 76%	801 80%	761 73%	172 70%	241 73%	283 73%	269 77%	241 78%	356 83%	441 80%	447 75%	330 77%	343 73%	234 73%	631 76%
Disagree	173 8%	105 10%	68 7%	21 8%	31 9%	34 9%	30 9%	25 8%	33 8%	45 8%	59 10%	31 7%	38 8%	30 9%	76 9%
Don't know	315 15%	99 10%	216 21%	54 22%	57 17%	73 19%	50 14%	41 13%	41 9%	67 12%	89 15%	69 16%	90 19%	55 17%	122 15%
<u>If the British economy doesn't pick up very soon, the Government should reconsider its planned programme of spending cuts</u>															
Agree	1379 67%	674 67%	705 67%	151 62%	218 66%	245 63%	233 67%	227 74%	304 71%	357 64%	386 65%	292 68%	344 73%	215 67%	527 64%
Disagree	323 16%	205 20%	117 11%	37 15%	44 13%	62 16%	54 15%	51 17%	75 17%	113 20%	104 17%	57 13%	49 10%	57 18%	142 17%
Don't know	349 17%	126 13%	223 21%	57 23%	67 20%	83 21%	62 18%	29 10%	51 12%	83 15%	105 18%	82 19%	78 17%	47 15%	160 19%

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<u>In the current financial situation, the Government is more concerned with protecting the banks than the British public</u>															
Agree	1314 64%	640 64%	674 64%	135 55%	216 66%	248 64%	218 62%	211 69%	286 67%	347 63%	366 62%	258 60%	342 73%	195 61%	506 61%
Disagree	373 18%	239 24%	134 13%	50 20%	49 15%	54 14%	72 21%	52 17%	97 23%	124 22%	105 18%	91 21%	53 11%	58 18%	162 20%
Don't know	363 18%	126 13%	238 23%	62 25%	63 19%	88 22%	59 17%	45 15%	47 11%	82 15%	123 21%	82 19%	77 16%	66 21%	161 19%
<u>The Government is in control of the economy</u>															
Agree	413 20%	215 21%	198 19%	54 22%	75 23%	63 16%	68 20%	57 19%	95 22%	116 21%	127 21%	81 19%	89 19%	68 21%	167 20%
Disagree	1258 61%	642 64%	616 59%	143 58%	174 53%	253 65%	228 65%	201 66%	260 60%	339 61%	341 57%	267 62%	311 66%	195 61%	491 59%
Don't know	379 18%	148 15%	231 22%	49 20%	80 24%	74 19%	53 15%	49 16%	75 18%	98 18%	127 21%	83 19%	71 15%	56 18%	171 21%

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Weighted base	2050	1763	178	93	241	181	190	159	109	192	258	263	187	1148	902	246	902	116	130	149	361	146
<u>I am worried that another recession would have a severe impact on me and my family</u>																						
Agree	1360	1155	116	67	160	115	120	107	88	116	172	159	139	782	621	162	577	92	82	101	199	104
	66%	65%	65%	72%	66%	64%	63%	67%	81%	60%	67%	61%	75%	68%	69%	66%	64%	79%	63%	68%	55%	71%
Disagree	381	338	33	12	54	41	35	33	10	50	38	52	23	203	160	43	178	12	30	29	91	16
	19%	19%	19%	13%	22%	22%	18%	21%	9%	26%	15%	20%	12%	18%	18%	18%	20%	11%	23%	19%	25%	11%
Don't know	310	271	28	14	28	25	35	19	10	26	49	51	25	163	122	41	147	11	19	19	71	27
	15%	15%	16%	15%	11%	14%	19%	12%	10%	13%	19%	20%	13%	14%	14%	17%	16%	10%	15%	13%	20%	18%
<u>The debt crisis in Europe is putting the UK economy in danger</u>																						
Agree	1562	1338	141	71	178	136	146	115	82	155	195	201	142	865	686	179	696	74	93	125	297	106
	76%	76%	79%	76%	74%	75%	77%	72%	76%	81%	75%	76%	76%	75%	76%	73%	77%	64%	71%	84%	82%	73%
Disagree	173	155	11	10	23	21	17	16	7	11	27	19	11	105	87	19	68	15	11	8	25	9
	8%	9%	6%	11%	10%	12%	9%	10%	6%	5%	11%	7%	6%	9%	10%	8%	8%	13%	8%	6%	7%	6%
Don't know	315	270	26	12	40	23	27	28	19	27	36	44	34	178	129	48	138	26	26	15	39	31
	15%	15%	15%	12%	16%	13%	14%	18%	18%	14%	14%	17%	18%	15%	14%	20%	15%	23%	20%	10%	11%	21%
<u>If the British economy doesn't pick up very soon, the Government should reconsider its planned programme of spending cuts</u>																						
Agree	1379	1197	111	67	168	126	133	110	71	121	168	176	127	742	579	163	637	90	79	107	252	109
	67%	68%	62%	73%	70%	70%	70%	69%	65%	63%	65%	67%	68%	65%	64%	66%	71%	78%	60%	72%	70%	74%
Disagree	323	283	25	10	42	30	17	30	15	30	49	45	31	199	167	33	123	4	18	23	70	8
	16%	16%	14%	10%	17%	17%	9%	19%	13%	15%	19%	17%	17%	17%	18%	13%	14%	4%	14%	15%	19%	5%
Don't know	349	283	42	16	31	24	40	19	23	41	41	42	29	207	157	50	142	21	33	19	40	30
	17%	16%	24%	17%	13%	14%	21%	12%	21%	21%	16%	16%	15%	18%	17%	20%	16%	18%	25%	12%	11%	20%

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Weighted base	2050	1763	178	93	241	181	190	159	109	192	258	263	187	1148	902	246	902	116	130	149	361	146
<u>In the current financial situation, the Government is more concerned with protecting the banks than the British public</u>																						
Agree	1314 64%	1123 64%	119 67%	69 75%	160 67%	119 66%	114 60%	105 66%	71 65%	116 61%	161 62%	155 59%	125 67%	702 61%	541 60%	160 65%	612 68%	85 74%	85 65%	108 73%	229 63%	106 72%
Disagree	373 18%	335 19%	24 13%	12 13%	46 19%	28 16%	40 21%	31 20%	14 13%	41 22%	51 20%	53 20%	32 17%	220 19%	188 21%	32 13%	153 17%	11 10%	22 17%	27 18%	80 22%	11 8%
Don't know	363 18%	305 17%	35 20%	12 13%	34 14%	34 19%	36 19%	23 14%	23 22%	34 18%	47 18%	55 21%	31 16%	226 20%	173 19%	53 22%	137 15%	19 17%	23 18%	14 9%	52 14%	29 20%
<u>The Government is in control of the economy</u>																						
Agree	413 20%	368 21%	18 10%	15 17%	57 23%	37 21%	33 17%	40 25%	26 24%	46 24%	57 22%	61 23%	22 12%	234 20%	189 21%	46 19%	178 20%	20 17%	24 19%	32 21%	73 20%	30 20%
Disagree	1258 61%	1074 61%	117 66%	67 72%	154 64%	111 61%	119 63%	95 60%	67 61%	107 56%	152 59%	142 54%	126 68%	686 60%	537 60%	149 61%	572 63%	79 68%	77 59%	99 66%	225 62%	92 63%
Don't know	379 18%	321 18%	42 24%	10 11%	30 12%	33 18%	38 20%	24 15%	16 14%	39 20%	49 19%	60 23%	38 21%	227 20%	176 20%	51 21%	152 17%	17 15%	29 22%	18 12%	64 18%	24 16%