

## Opinion Poll

### ONLINE Fieldwork : 30th March-1st April 2012

Absolutes/col percents

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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
Unweighted base	1127	484	643	111	181	220	237	214	156	395	256	184	292	160	451
Weighted base	1127	552	575	127	180	214	192	169	236	304	327	237	259	163	468
<b><u>The Government has created an unnecessary panic over the fuel crisis</u></b>															
Agree	910	460	451	83	133	182	160	152	197	243	264	201	202	138	377
	81%	83%	78%	65%	74%	85%	84%	90%	83%	80%	81%	85%	78%	84%	81%
Disagree	120	57	63	17	22	20	14	8	35	40	38	16	25	14	48
	11%	10%	11%	13%	12%	9%	7%	5%	15%	13%	12%	7%	10%	8%	10%
Don't know	97	36	61	27	26	12	17	9	4	21	25	19	32	12	43
	9%	7%	11%	21%	14%	6%	9%	5%	2%	7%	8%	8%	12%	7%	9%
<b><u>It is right that pensioners should have their age-related allowances frozen, the so-called Granny Tax, to bring them in line with other taxpayers</u></b>															
Agree	237	154	83	24	44	45	41	33	48	83	66	52	35	47	112
	21%	28%	14%	19%	25%	21%	22%	20%	20%	27%	20%	22%	14%	29%	24%
Disagree	720	330	389	63	97	128	123	121	184	184	208	148	180	97	270
	64%	60%	68%	49%	54%	60%	64%	71%	78%	60%	64%	63%	69%	59%	58%
Don't know	171	68	103	41	39	41	27	15	5	37	53	36	44	20	86
	15%	12%	18%	32%	22%	19%	14%	9%	2%	12%	16%	15%	17%	12%	18%
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Agree	806	394	412	80	119	146	146	144	166	208	225	174	199	124	315
	72%	71%	72%	62%	66%	68%	76%	85%	70%	68%	69%	73%	77%	76%	67%
Disagree	191	105	86	18	35	43	25	16	53	61	61	38	30	21	95
	17%	19%	15%	14%	19%	20%	13%	10%	22%	20%	19%	16%	12%	13%	20%
Don't know	130	54	77	30	27	25	21	9	18	35	41	25	30	18	58
	12%	10%	13%	23%	15%	12%	11%	5%	8%	12%	12%	10%	12%	11%	12%

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Agree	192 17%	104 19%	88 15%	22 17%	48 26%	35 16%	20 10%	25 15%	40 17%	78 26%	63 19%	29 12%	21 8%	33 20%	94 20%
Disagree	799 71%	399 72%	400 70%	74 58%	107 59%	157 73%	150 78%	125 74%	182 77%	186 61%	230 70%	179 76%	204 79%	110 67%	311 66%
Don't know	136 12%	49 9%	87 15%	31 24%	26 15%	23 11%	21 11%	19 11%	14 6%	40 13%	34 10%	28 12%	34 13%	20 12%	64 14%
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Agree	279 25%	175 32%	105 18%	18 14%	42 23%	56 26%	38 20%	39 23%	85 36%	83 27%	81 25%	71 30%	44 17%	38 23%	116 25%
Disagree	676 60%	308 56%	368 64%	80 62%	102 57%	135 63%	114 59%	113 67%	128 54%	174 57%	197 60%	135 57%	170 66%	106 65%	274 59%
Don't know	172 15%	70 13%	102 18%	30 24%	36 20%	24 11%	39 21%	17 10%	23 10%	48 16%	49 15%	30 13%	45 17%	19 12%	78 17%
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Agree	234 21%	121 22%	113 20%	26 21%	54 30%	48 22%	29 15%	28 16%	47 20%	68 22%	64 20%	38 16%	65 25%	44 27%	93 20%
Disagree	681 60%	355 64%	325 57%	62 49%	88 49%	135 63%	114 59%	113 67%	167 71%	191 63%	200 61%	155 66%	135 52%	88 54%	291 62%
Don't know	212 19%	76 14%	136 24%	39 30%	39 22%	32 15%	48 25%	29 17%	23 10%	45 15%	63 19%	43 18%	60 23%	32 19%	84 18%

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