

## Opinion Poll

Fieldwork : October 24th-26th 2008

Absolutes/col percents

Table 1

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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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NET: Agree		668 67%	309 64%	358 69%	74 62%	104 65%	120 61%	123 73%	108 72%	138 66%	174 66%	180 62%	149 71%	165 69%	171 65%	179 68%	155 64%	99 68%	64 72%
Agree strongly (+2)	(+2)	491 49%	245 51%	246 47%	40 33%	72 45%	87 44%	99 59%	84 56%	109 52%	124 47%	123 42%	119 57%	125 53%	123 47%	134 51%	116 48%	75 52%	43 48%
Agree (+1)	(+1)	176 18%	64 13%	112 22%	35 29%	32 20%	33 17%	24 14%	24 16%	29 14%	50 19%	57 20%	30 14%	40 17%	48 18%	45 17%	39 16%	23 16%	22 24%
Neither agree nor disagree (0)	(0)	196 20%	91 19%	106 20%	35 29%	38 24%	46 23%	24 14%	19 13%	35 17%	52 20%	68 23%	37 18%	39 16%	59 22%	52 20%	53 22%	24 17%	9 10%
Disagree (-1)	(-1)	66 7%	38 8%	27 5%	-	13 8%	13 7%	9 6%	14 9%	16 8%	18 7%	23 8%	9 4%	15 6%	14 5%	15 6%	14 6%	13 9%	9 10%
Disagree strongly (-2)	(-2)	60 6%	40 8%	20 4%	6 5%	4 2%	18 9%	10 6%	8 5%	15 7%	18 7%	18 6%	9 4%	15 6%	12 5%	14 5%	18 7%	8 6%	8 9%
NET: Disagree		126 13%	79 16%	47 9%	6 5%	17 11%	31 16%	19 11%	21 14%	31 15%	37 14%	41 14%	18 9%	30 13%	27 10%	29 11%	33 13%	21 14%	16 18%
Don't know		13 1%	4 1%	9 2%	5 4%	-	1 *	2 1%	2 1%	4 2%	2 1%	1 *	6 3%	4 2%	7 3%	2 1%	3 1%	1 1%	-
Mean		0.98	0.91	1.05	0.88	0.97	0.81	1.16	1.10	0.99	0.92	0.85	1.18	1.05	0.99	1.04	0.92	1.01	0.93
Standard deviation		1.23	1.33	1.12	1.07	1.12	1.31	1.22	1.24	1.30	1.25	1.23	1.15	1.24	1.17	1.20	1.27	1.25	1.32
Standard error		0.04	0.06	0.05	0.14	0.10	0.09	0.09	0.08	0.09	0.07	0.07	0.09	0.08	0.07	0.07	0.08	0.11	0.14

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Agree strongly (+2)		491 49%	155 56%	94 41%	65 57%	7 55%	14 51%	15 71%	8 83%	4 38%	15 47%	54 38%	
Agree (+1)		176 18%	47 17%	37 16%	22 20%	- -	5 20%	3 13%	2 17%	1 11%	9 27%	25 18%	
Neither agree nor disagree (0)		196 20%	40 15%	56 25%	11 10%	2 18%	6 22%	- -	- -	3 33%	7 22%	43 30%	
Disagree (-1)		66 7%	14 5%	22 9%	8 7%	2 19%	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	9 6%	
Disagree strongly (-2)		60 6%	15 5%	19 8%	7 6%	- -	2 7%	3 16%	- -	2 19%	1 4%	6 4%	
NET: Disagree		126 13%	29 10%	40 18%	15 13%	2 19%	2 7%	3 16%	- -	2 19%	1 4%	14 10%	
Don't know		13 1%	4 2%	1 1%	- -	1 8%	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	6 4%	
Mean		0.98	1.16	0.73	1.15	0.98	1.07	1.21	1.83	0.49	1.13	0.84	
Standard deviation		1.23	1.18	1.31	1.22	1.33	1.20	1.50	0.40	1.54	1.02	1.15	
Standard error		0.04	0.07	0.08	0.12	0.40	0.24	0.34	0.14	0.54	0.19	0.10	

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Agree strongly (+2)	(+2)	474 47%	232 48%	242 47%	42 35%	66 41%	75 38%	86 51%	89 60%	116 56%	112 42%	116 40%	106 50%	139 59%	133 50%	122 47%	111 46%	69 48%	39 44%
Agree (+1)	(+1)	197 20%	79 16%	118 23%	33 27%	38 24%	44 22%	31 18%	21 14%	31 15%	51 19%	65 22%	42 20%	39 16%	47 18%	47 18%	56 23%	27 19%	20 22%
Neither agree nor disagree (0)	(0)	164 16%	71 15%	93 18%	25 21%	35 22%	38 19%	26 15%	22 15%	19 9%	45 17%	56 19%	35 17%	28 12%	46 17%	47 18%	42 17%	22 15%	9 10%
Disagree (-1)	(-1)	78 8%	39 8%	39 7%	9 8%	14 9%	23 12%	9 6%	7 4%	15 7%	23 9%	33 11%	9 4%	12 5%	15 6%	20 8%	15 6%	15 10%	12 14%
Disagree strongly (-2)	(-2)	76 8%	56 12%	21 4%	9 7%	2 1%	16 8%	17 10%	10 7%	22 11%	28 11%	19 6%	16 7%	14 6%	18 7%	22 9%	16 7%	12 8%	8 9%
NET: Disagree		154 15%	95 20%	59 11%	18 15%	16 10%	40 20%	26 15%	16 11%	37 18%	51 19%	52 18%	25 12%	26 11%	33 12%	43 16%	31 13%	27 18%	20 23%
Don't know		14 1%	7 1%	7 1%	3 2%	3 2%	2 1%	1 *	1 1%	5 2%	6 2%	1 *	2 1%	5 2%	6 2%	4 2%	3 1%	- -	1 1%
Mean		0.92	0.82	1.02	0.76	0.97	0.70	0.95	1.17	1.00	0.76	0.78	1.03	1.19	1.02	0.87	0.96	0.88	0.79
Standard deviation		1.28	1.41	1.15	1.23	1.07	1.31	1.34	1.23	1.40	1.37	1.26	1.24	1.20	1.24	1.32	1.22	1.33	1.39
Standard error		0.04	0.07	0.05	0.16	0.10	0.09	0.10	0.08	0.10	0.08	0.08	0.09	0.07	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.11	0.15

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Agree strongly (+2)	(+2)	474 47%	187 68%	65 29%	44 39%	9 70%	10 36%	17 82%	5 50%	3 29%	14 42%	57 40%	
Agree (+1)	(+1)	197 20%	49 18%	48 21%	27 24%	4 30%	8 28%	1 5%	3 35%	3 34%	7 22%	27 19%	
Neither agree nor disagree (0)	(0)	164 16%	26 9%	40 17%	18 16%	- -	4 16%	1 6%	1 15%	- -	5 15%	40 28%	
Disagree (-1)	(-1)	78 8%	5 2%	39 17%	8 7%	- -	2 9%	- -	- -	2 18%	3 10%	8 6%	
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NET: Disagree		154 15%	13 5%	73 32%	23 20%	- -	4 14%	1 7%	- -	4 37%	7 21%	12 9%	
Don't know		14 1%	1 *	3 1%	2 1%	- -	2 7%	- -	- -	- -	- -	6 4%	
Mean		0.92	1.46	0.31	0.69	1.70	0.86	1.55	1.36	0.36	0.74	0.91	
Standard deviation		1.28	0.95	1.43	1.40	0.48	1.20	1.11	0.76	1.60	1.40	1.11	
Standard error		0.04	0.06	0.09	0.14	0.14	0.25	0.25	0.27	0.57	0.26	0.10	

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Agree strongly (+2)		342 34%	162 34%	180 35%	31 26%	59 37%	59 30%	63 37%	64 43%	66 32%	81 31%	77 27%	87 41%	96 40%	92 35%	86 33%	84 34%	44 30%	35 39%
Agree (+1)		255 25%	111 23%	144 28%	42 35%	34 21%	62 31%	40 23%	34 22%	43 21%	60 23%	93 32%	50 24%	51 21%	64 24%	56 21%	69 28%	44 30%	22 24%
Neither agree nor disagree (0)		205 20%	90 19%	115 22%	29 25%	38 24%	35 18%	33 20%	26 17%	43 21%	54 20%	59 20%	51 24%	40 17%	50 19%	69 26%	37 15%	30 21%	19 22%
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Disagree strongly (-2)		77 8%	53 11%	24 5%	5 4%	7 4%	16 8%	14 8%	12 8%	23 11%	28 10%	22 8%	4 2%	23 9%	20 8%	23 9%	17 7%	13 9%	4 5%
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Mean		0.69	0.57	0.80	0.69	0.74	0.63	0.75	0.84	0.54	0.50	0.58	0.99	0.78	0.67	0.63	0.72	0.65	0.89
Standard deviation		1.26	1.36	1.15	1.09	1.21	1.26	1.28	1.29	1.36	1.34	1.22	1.06	1.33	1.29	1.27	1.27	1.25	1.17
Standard error		0.04	0.07	0.05	0.14	0.11	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.08	0.07	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.11	0.12

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Agree (+1)	(+1)	255 25%	68 25%	55 24%	30 26%	5 43%	3 12%	5 24%	4 38%	5 53%	6 18%	40 28%	
Neither agree nor disagree (0)	(0)	205 20%	50 18%	42 18%	24 22%	3 24%	11 39%	2 10%	5 48%	-	9 27%	39 28%	
Disagree (-1)	(-1)	106 11%	25 9%	38 16%	14 13%	-	2 7%	1 3%	-	1 11%	4 12%	9 7%	
Disagree strongly (-2)	(-2)	77 8%	14 5%	24 11%	15 13%	-	1 5%	1 5%	-	2 22%	2 7%	5 4%	
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Don't know		19 2%	4 2%	2 1%	*	-	-	1 3%	-	-	-	12 8%	
Mean		0.69	0.90	0.47	0.39	1.09	0.71	1.26	0.66	0.26	0.63	0.72	
Standard deviation		1.26	1.19	1.36	1.35	0.78	1.20	1.11	0.75	1.50	1.29	1.08	
Standard error		0.04	0.07	0.09	0.13	0.23	0.24	0.25	0.27	0.53	0.24	0.10	

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Table 4

**Q.1 How strongly do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?****The Bank of England should make an immediate and substantial cut in interest rates****Base: All respondents**

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NET: Agree		680 68%	332 69%	348 67%	78 65%	97 61%	133 67%	121 71%	111 75%	139 67%	182 69%	189 65%	138 65%	171 72%	191 73%	168 64%	158 65%	96 66%	67 75%
Agree strongly (+2)	(+2)	457 46%	238 49%	219 42%	47 39%	55 35%	102 52%	89 53%	76 51%	87 42%	123 46%	118 41%	98 47%	119 50%	133 51%	113 43%	100 41%	59 41%	51 57%
Agree (+1)	(+1)	223 22%	94 19%	129 25%	31 26%	42 26%	31 15%	32 19%	36 24%	52 25%	59 22%	72 25%	39 19%	52 22%	58 22%	54 21%	58 24%	36 25%	16 18%
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Disagree (-1)	(-1)	68 7%	34 7%	34 7%	1 1%	10 6%	16 8%	14 8%	8 5%	19 9%	17 6%	24 8%	16 7%	11 5%	17 6%	19 7%	18 7%	10 7%	4 5%
Disagree strongly (-2)	(-2)	44 4%	29 6%	15 3%	7 6%	2 1%	11 5%	9 5%	4 2%	11 6%	15 6%	13 5%	2 1%	14 6%	9 3%	10 4%	13 5%	8 5%	5 6%
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Don't know		18 2%	7 1%	11 2%	5 4%	- -	3 1%	3 2%	2 1%	6 3%	5 2%	2 1%	5 2%	5 2%	5 2%	4 2%	6 3%	- -	2 2%
Mean		0.99	1.00	0.99	0.96	0.87	1.02	1.07	1.16	0.91	0.99	0.89	1.05	1.07	1.13	0.94	0.91	0.89	1.18
Standard deviation		1.16	1.23	1.09	1.13	1.02	1.24	1.23	1.05	1.22	1.20	1.17	1.06	1.19	1.11	1.15	1.18	1.18	1.18
Standard error		0.04	0.06	0.05	0.15	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.07	0.09	0.07	0.07	0.08	0.07	0.07	0.08	0.10	0.12	

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Disagree strongly (-2)	(-2)	44 4%	11 4%	10 5%	9 8%	2 14%	1 4%	2 9%	-	-	5 15%	3 2%	
NET: Disagree		113 11%	32 12%	28 12%	17 15%	3 28%	3 11%	2 9%	-	-	6 17%	12 9%	
Don't know		18 2%	3 1%	2 1%	1 1%	-	-	-	-	-	-	7 5%	
Mean		0.99	1.01	1.02	0.93	0.54	0.97	1.63	1.26	0.90	0.61	0.84	
Standard deviation		1.16	1.15	1.17	1.29	1.53	1.15	1.19	0.95	0.65	1.41	1.05	
Standard error		0.04	0.07	0.08	0.13	0.44	0.23	0.27	0.34	0.23	0.26	0.09	