

Politics Survey

ONLINE Fieldwork : 9th - 10th March 2011

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Table 1

Q.1 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	2004	923	1081	161	345	387	374	321	416	665	532	273	534	493	521	511	301	178
Weighted base	2004	982	1022	240	321	381	341	301	421	541	581	421	461	509	529	503	289	174
<u>Politicians must keep promises that they make to the public.</u>																		
Agree	1690 84%	831 85%	859 84%	190 79%	266 83%	328 86%	299 88%	256 85%	352 84%	453 84%	474 82%	371 88%	392 85%	415 81%	454 86%	435 87%	239 83%	147 84%
Disagree	139 7%	70 7%	68 7%	15 6%	23 7%	22 6%	18 5%	24 8%	36 9%	47 9%	47 8%	19 5%	25 5%	51 10%	32 6%	24 5%	22 8%	9 5%
Don't know	176 9%	81 8%	95 9%	35 15%	32 10%	31 8%	24 7%	20 7%	33 8%	41 8%	60 10%	31 7%	44 10%	43 8%	44 8%	44 9%	27 9%	18 10%
<u>It is more effective to protect something by writing it into law than issuing a Government report on it.</u>																		
Agree	1560 78%	808 82%	752 74%	161 67%	215 67%	305 80%	270 79%	255 85%	354 84%	458 85%	423 73%	325 77%	354 77%	392 77%	410 77%	403 80%	224 77%	131 76%
Disagree	72 4%	50 5%	22 2%	13 5%	18 6%	13 4%	8 2%	11 4%	10 2%	20 4%	29 5%	11 3%	12 3%	22 4%	19 4%	19 4%	6 2%	6 3%
Don't know	372 19%	124 13%	248 24%	67 28%	88 27%	62 16%	63 19%	35 12%	56 13%	63 12%	129 22%	85 20%	95 21%	95 19%	100 19%	81 16%	59 20%	36 21%

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<u>'If the military covenant is not written down in law, the future welfare of the armed forces and their families is at risk.'</u>																		
Agree	1234 62%	625 64%	609 60%	119 50%	171 53%	227 60%	215 63%	202 67%	299 71%	339 63%	331 57%	255 61%	309 67%	295 58%	312 59%	320 64%	186 65%	120 69%
Disagree	305 15%	167 17%	138 13%	46 19%	59 19%	47 12%	53 16%	39 13%	61 14%	100 19%	102 18%	52 12%	50 11%	96 19%	83 16%	63 12%	39 13%	25 14%
Don't know	465 23%	190 19%	275 27%	75 31%	91 28%	107 28%	72 21%	60 20%	61 14%	102 19%	148 26%	114 27%	101 22%	119 23%	134 25%	120 24%	64 22%	29 17%
<u>'If the Prime Minister makes a promise to the Armed Forces, he should keep it regardless of external circumstances.'</u>																		
Agree	1358 68%	695 71%	663 65%	140 58%	195 61%	259 68%	234 69%	219 73%	310 74%	340 63%	370 64%	312 74%	335 73%	333 65%	346 65%	359 71%	190 66%	130 75%
Disagree	297 15%	154 16%	142 14%	40 16%	50 16%	52 14%	51 15%	44 15%	60 14%	117 22%	86 15%	39 9%	53 12%	98 19%	80 15%	51 10%	42 15%	25 14%
Don't know	350 17%	133 14%	217 21%	61 25%	75 23%	69 18%	56 16%	38 13%	51 12%	84 15%	125 22%	69 16%	72 16%	78 15%	103 20%	93 18%	57 20%	19 11%
<u>An annual report would be sufficient to demonstrate that the government is keeping its commitments</u>																		
Agree	541 27%	259 26%	282 28%	66 27%	103 32%	89 23%	90 26%	70 23%	123 29%	156 29%	149 26%	132 31%	104 23%	143 28%	141 27%	121 24%	88 31%	49 28%
Disagree	964 48%	521 53%	444 43%	101 42%	116 36%	192 50%	174 51%	168 56%	214 51%	259 48%	272 47%	184 44%	250 54%	230 45%	250 47%	268 53%	132 46%	85 49%
Don't know	498 25%	202 21%	296 29%	73 30%	102 32%	100 26%	77 23%	62 21%	84 20%	126 23%	160 28%	105 25%	107 23%	136 27%	139 26%	114 23%	69 24%	40 23%
<u>An annual report does not protect the welfare of the Armed Forces and their families.</u>																		
Agree	1338 67%	676 69%	662 65%	131 55%	191 60%	260 68%	232 68%	217 72%	307 73%	354 65%	372 64%	290 69%	321 70%	308 61%	344 65%	373 74%	191 66%	122 70%
Disagree	232 12%	120 12%	111 11%	28 12%	39 12%	33 9%	43 13%	37 12%	50 12%	74 14%	72 12%	44 11%	41 9%	73 14%	66 13%	40 8%	32 11%	20 12%
Don't know	434 22%	186 19%	248 24%	81 34%	91 28%	87 23%	65 19%	47 16%	63 15%	112 21%	138 24%	86 21%	98 21%	128 25%	119 22%	90 18%	66 23%	32 18%

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<u>An annual report should be produced independently of the Government.</u>																		
Agree	1457 73%	758 77%	699 68%	127 53%	215 67%	287 75%	263 77%	241 80%	325 77%	417 77%	421 72%	294 70%	325 70%	362 71%	381 72%	373 74%	211 73%	130 75%
Disagree	166 8%	89 9%	76 7%	23 10%	33 10%	22 6%	26 8%	30 10%	32 8%	48 9%	48 8%	37 9%	34 7%	54 11%	47 9%	30 6%	18 6%	17 10%
Don't know	381 19%	135 14%	247 24%	91 38%	73 23%	72 19%	52 15%	30 10%	64 15%	76 14%	113 19%	90 21%	103 22%	93 18%	101 19%	100 20%	60 21%	27 16%