

Life Survey

CATI Fieldwork : September 2nd-3rd 2009

Absolutes/col percents

Table 1

Q.1 In principle, do you think it should be legal or illegal to help end the life of a suicidal person?**Base: All respondents**

	Gender		Age						Social Grade				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	1001	502	499	77	134	188	187	194	221	330	234	146	291	258	266	251	138	88
Weighted base	1001	481	520	119	159	198	169	149	208	260	290	210	240	262	262	247	141	88
Legal	489	249	239	53	79	96	86	76	100	135	132	112	110	131	126	133	62	37
	49%	52%	46%	44%	50%	48%	51%	51%	48%	52%	45%	53%	46%	50%	48%	54%	44%	42%
Illegal	420	181	239	60	68	77	70	58	87	104	132	86	98	104	115	91	64	46
	42%	38%	46%	51%	43%	39%	41%	39%	42%	40%	46%	41%	41%	40%	44%	37%	45%	52%
Refused	5	3	2	-	1	1	*	3	1	2	-	1	3	1	1	1	1	1
	1%	1%	*	-	*	*	*	2%	*	1%	-	*	1%	*	1%	1%	1%	1%
Don't know	87	47	40	6	11	25	12	12	21	19	26	11	30	26	20	22	14	5
	9%	10%	8%	5%	7%	13%	7%	8%	10%	7%	9%	5%	13%	10%	8%	9%	10%	6%

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Table 2

Q.2 Do you believe the life of a person with a disability should or should not have the same legal protection as the life of an able-bodied person?

Base: All respondents

	Gender		Age						Social Grade				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	1001	502	499	77	134	188	187	194	221	330	234	146	291	258	266	251	138	88
Weighted base	1001	481	520	119	159	198	169	149	208	260	290	210	240	262	262	247	141	88
Should have same legal protection	938 94%	439 91%	499 96%	111 93%	151 95%	180 91%	161 95%	139 94%	196 94%	244 94%	275 95%	194 92%	224 93%	243 93%	245 93%	237 96%	129 91%	84 95%
Should not have same legal protection	40 4%	28 6%	12 2%	5 4%	5 3%	12 6%	4 2%	7 5%	8 4%	11 4%	10 3%	9 5%	10 4%	12 5%	11 4%	9 4%	6 4%	3 3%
Refused	1 *	- -	1 *	- -	- -	- -	- -	1 *	- -	- -	- -	- -	1 *	- -	- -	- -	1 *	- -
Don't know	22 2%	14 3%	9 2%	2 2%	3 2%	7 3%	4 2%	2 1%	4 2%	5 2%	6 2%	6 3%	5 2%	7 3%	7 3%	1 *	6 4%	1 2%

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Table 3

Q.3 Do you agree or disagree that doctors should be allowed to take steps to shorten the lives of seriously ill people without their consent?

Base: All respondents

	Gender		Age						Social Grade				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	1001	502	499	77	134	188	187	194	221	330	234	146	291	258	266	251	138	88
Weighted base	1001	481	520	119	159	198	169	149	208	260	290	210	240	262	262	247	141	88
Agree	162 16%	79 16%	83 16%	21 17%	22 14%	36 18%	23 13%	27 18%	34 16%	32 12%	40 14%	45 21%	45 19%	35 13%	45 17%	44 18%	23 17%	14 16%
Disagree	812 81%	383 80%	429 82%	98 83%	132 83%	156 79%	143 85%	117 79%	166 80%	220 84%	243 84%	162 77%	188 78%	218 83%	211 80%	200 81%	113 80%	71 81%
Refused	3 *	2 *	1 *	- -	1 *	- -	- -	2 1%	1 *	2 1%	- -	- -	1 1%	- -	2 1%	- -	1 1%	- -
Don't know	24 2%	17 3%	8 1%	- -	4 2%	6 3%	3 2%	3 2%	7 4%	7 3%	7 3%	4 2%	6 3%	9 4%	4 2%	4 2%	4 3%	3 3%