

EU Poll

METHODOLOGY NOTE

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ONLINE Fieldwork : 20th-22nd September 2013

Absolutes/col percents

Table 1

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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	2049	937	1112	230	312	376	398	334	399	596	613	332	508	297	839
Weighted base	2049	1004	1045	244	345	345	365	304	446	548	568	446	487	306	841
NET: Any	1471	766	704	107	210	250	280	243	381	443	376	327	324	231	571
	72%	76%	67%	44%	61%	72%	77%	80%	85%	81%	66%	73%	67%	75%	68%
Freedom of Movement/ Immigration	542	288	254	42	68	98	112	86	136	171	136	116	119	90	205
	26%	29%	24%	17%	20%	28%	31%	28%	31%	31%	24%	26%	25%	29%	24%
EU Law Supremacy over the UK	415	236	179	22	39	63	56	79	157	137	109	90	80	42	151
	20%	24%	17%	9%	11%	18%	15%	26%	35%	25%	19%	20%	16%	14%	18%
Control of VAT on Domestic Fuel	179	77	103	15	33	29	52	25	25	48	44	36	52	38	71
	9%	8%	10%	6%	9%	9%	14%	8%	6%	9%	8%	8%	11%	13%	8%
Removal of EU citizenship	142	63	79	10	25	30	30	17	30	29	28	34	50	11	60
	7%	6%	8%	4%	7%	9%	8%	6%	7%	5%	5%	8%	10%	4%	7%
Agriculture and Fisheries	97	49	48	9	21	12	13	25	16	27	30	26	13	25	40
	5%	5%	5%	4%	6%	4%	4%	8%	4%	5%	5%	6%	3%	8%	5%
EU Taxation	95	54	41	9	25	17	17	11	17	31	29	26	9	23	44
	5%	5%	4%	4%	7%	5%	5%	4%	4%	6%	5%	6%	2%	8%	5%
No powers what so ever should be brought back from the EU	136	78	58	20	34	18	19	17	28	41	45	24	26	23	57
	7%	8%	6%	8%	10%	5%	5%	6%	6%	7%	8%	5%	5%	7%	7%
Don't know	442	161	282	117	101	77	66	44	38	64	147	95	137	53	213
	22%	16%	27%	48%	29%	22%	18%	15%	8%	12%	26%	21%	28%	17%	25%

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Weighted base	2049	184	102	1762	82	225	184	184	143	205	266	287	184
NET: Any	1471	133	75	1263	54	173	138	139	104	144	170	211	132
	72%	72%	73%	72%	66%	77%	75%	75%	72%	70%	64%	74%	71%
Freedom of Movement/ Immigration	542	46	22	475	25	70	53	59	32	66	54	68	48
	26%	25%	21%	27%	30%	31%	29%	32%	22%	32%	20%	24%	26%
EU Law Supremacy over the UK	415	45	23	347	13	37	46	38	30	45	39	55	45
	20%	24%	22%	20%	15%	16%	25%	21%	21%	22%	15%	19%	24%
Control of VAT on Domestic Fuel	179	19	10	151	9	27	15	11	16	10	20	30	12
	9%	10%	9%	9%	11%	12%	8%	6%	11%	5%	8%	11%	6%
Removal of EU citizenship	142	4	5	133	3	23	13	18	14	8	20	26	7
	7%	2%	5%	8%	4%	10%	7%	10%	10%	4%	8%	9%	4%
Agriculture and Fisheries	97	12	9	76	4	7	6	9	6	5	15	17	7
	5%	7%	8%	4%	4%	3%	3%	5%	4%	3%	6%	6%	4%
EU Taxation	95	7	7	81	1	10	6	3	5	8	21	15	12
	5%	4%	7%	5%	1%	4%	3%	2%	4%	4%	8%	5%	7%
No powers what so ever should be brought back from the EU	136	16	5	115	9	10	16	12	13	10	13	18	15
	7%	8%	5%	7%	11%	4%	8%	7%	9%	5%	5%	6%	8%
Don't know	442	36	23	383	19	42	31	34	27	51	84	58	37
	22%	20%	22%	22%	23%	19%	17%	18%	19%	25%	31%	20%	20%

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Table 2

Q.2 If there is to be a referendum on Britain's relationship with the EU, when should it be held?

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
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Weighted base	2049	1004	1045	244	345	345	365	304	446	548	568	446	487	306	841
NET: Should hold a referendum	1442	756	686	121	228	242	272	233	347	413	354	334	341	219	584
	70%	75%	66%	50%	66%	70%	74%	77%	78%	75%	62%	75%	70%	71%	69%
Within the next year	862	430	432	49	119	142	191	148	215	229	195	207	232	123	335
	42%	43%	41%	20%	34%	41%	52%	49%	48%	42%	34%	46%	48%	40%	40%
Within two years	453	244	209	56	84	75	68	67	103	152	123	97	80	79	187
	22%	24%	20%	23%	24%	22%	19%	22%	23%	28%	22%	22%	17%	26%	22%
Within five years	127	82	45	16	25	25	13	18	29	32	35	31	29	17	62
	6%	8%	4%	7%	7%	7%	3%	6%	7%	6%	6%	7%	6%	6%	7%
Not applicable, there should not be a referendum at all	210	112	99	18	41	22	38	32	59	73	69	32	36	31	74
	10%	11%	9%	7%	12%	6%	10%	11%	13%	13%	12%	7%	7%	10%	9%
Don't know	396	137	260	105	76	81	56	39	39	61	145	80	110	57	183
	19%	14%	25%	43%	22%	24%	15%	13%	9%	11%	26%	18%	23%	19%	22%

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NET: Should hold a referendum	1442 70%	122 66%	79 77%	1241 70%	57 69%	159 71%	130 71%	153 83%	98 68%	144 70%	161 61%	208 72%	131 71%
Within the next year	862 42%	65 35%	49 48%	748 42%	33 40%	96 43%	84 45%	103 56%	64 44%	74 36%	91 34%	124 43%	78 42%
Within two years	453 22%	43 23%	23 22%	387 22%	17 20%	55 24%	39 21%	42 23%	28 20%	47 23%	51 19%	70 24%	39 21%
Within five years	127 6%	13 7%	7 7%	107 6%	7 9%	8 4%	7 4%	8 4%	6 4%	23 11%	20 7%	14 5%	14 8%
Not applicable, there should not be a referendum at all	210 10%	32 17%	10 10%	169 10%	5 6%	29 13%	19 10%	7 4%	17 12%	18 9%	23 9%	28 10%	22 12%
Don't know	396 19%	31 17%	13 13%	352 20%	20 25%	37 17%	35 19%	25 13%	28 20%	43 21%	82 31%	51 18%	31 17%

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Table 3

Q.3 To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement? "The increased use of food banks in the UK in the past 12 months is a reflection on how the Government is failing to meet the needs of people living below the poverty line in the UK"

Base: All respondents

	Total	Gender		Age						Social Grade				Employment Sector	
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NET: Agree	1383 68%	636 63%	747 72%	128 52%	247 72%	253 73%	272 75%	221 73%	262 59%	339 62%	360 63%	329 74%	355 73%	233 76%	556 66%
Strongly agree	(+2) 792 39%	362 36%	430 41%	56 23%	134 39%	157 45%	167 46%	126 41%	153 34%	175 32%	192 34%	190 43%	235 48%	142 46%	296 35%
Tend to agree	(+1) 591 29%	274 27%	317 30%	72 30%	113 33%	96 28%	105 29%	95 31%	109 25%	165 30%	168 30%	138 31%	120 25%	91 30%	260 31%
Neither agree nor disagree	(0) 300 15%	158 16%	142 14%	47 19%	47 14%	49 14%	33 9%	38 13%	86 19%	89 16%	80 14%	58 13%	73 15%	29 10%	125 15%
Tend to disagree	(-1) 148 7%	72 7%	76 7%	7 3%	11 3%	18 5%	31 8%	24 8%	56 13%	62 11%	49 9%	22 5%	16 3%	20 7%	55 6%
Strongly disagree	(-2) 91 4%	65 6%	26 2%	8 3%	7 2%	10 3%	16 4%	14 5%	35 8%	36 7%	12 2%	27 6%	15 3%	12 4%	33 4%
NET: Disagree	239 12%	137 14%	101 10%	16 7%	19 5%	28 8%	47 13%	38 13%	91 20%	98 18%	61 11%	48 11%	31 6%	33 11%	88 10%
Don't know	127 6%	73 7%	54 5%	53 22%	32 9%	16 5%	13 3%	7 2%	7 2%	21 4%	67 12%	12 3%	27 6%	11 4%	73 9%
Mean	0.96	0.85	1.06	0.83	1.14	1.13	1.07	0.99	0.66	0.72	0.95	1.02	1.18	1.12	0.95
Standard deviation	1.14	1.22	1.05	1.03	0.96	1.05	1.15	1.15	1.29	1.23	1.08	1.15	1.04	1.11	1.10
Standard error	0.03	0.04	0.03	0.08	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.07	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.07	0.04

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Strongly agree	(+2) 792 39%	87 47%	46 45%	659 37%	43 53%	96 42%	82 44%	77 42%	49 34%	63 31%	80 30%	101 35%	68 37%
Tend to agree	(+1) 591 29%	58 31%	32 31%	501 28%	17 21%	59 26%	47 25%	51 28%	38 27%	58 28%	87 33%	96 33%	48 26%
Neither agree nor disagree	(0) 300 15%	18 10%	14 13%	269 15%	9 11%	33 14%	17 9%	32 17%	34 24%	31 15%	36 14%	42 15%	34 18%
Tend to disagree	(-1) 148 7%	8 5%	5 5%	134 8%	6 7%	18 8%	23 13%	11 6%	10 7%	20 10%	8 3%	23 8%	15 8%
Strongly disagree	(-2) 91 4%	1 *	4 4%	85 5%	3 4%	9 4%	9 5%	10 5%	4 3%	14 7%	9 3%	13 5%	15 8%
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Don't know	127 6%	12 7%	2 2%	113 6%	3 4%	11 5%	6 3%	3 2%	8 5%	19 9%	46 17%	12 4%	5 3%
Mean	0.96	1.29	1.09	0.92	1.16	1.00	0.95	0.96	0.88	0.73	1.01	0.90	0.78
Standard deviation	1.14	0.88	1.09	1.16	1.15	1.15	1.24	1.16	1.08	1.24	1.02	1.13	1.26
Standard error	0.03	0.07	0.11	0.03	0.13	0.08	0.10	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.07	0.07	0.09