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METHODOLOGY NOTE

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ONLINE Fieldwork : 11th-13th October 2013

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Unweighted base	2042	967	1075	214	321	356	383	315	453	589	602	356	495	277	794
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<u>I applied for shares in Royal Mail and received the number I wanted</u>															
Agree	83 4%	48 5%	35 3%	11 4%	22 6%	17 5%	6 2%	12 4%	14 3%	31 6%	22 4%	9 2%	21 4%	17 6%	37 4%
Disagree	1549 76%	745 74%	804 77%	152 63%	234 68%	248 72%	307 84%	238 78%	371 83%	441 81%	438 77%	322 73%	348 72%	221 77%	633 74%
Don't know	410 20%	208 21%	202 19%	79 33%	88 26%	79 23%	51 14%	53 18%	60 14%	74 14%	106 19%	113 25%	116 24%	49 17%	187 22%
<u>I applied for shares in Royal and did not receive the number I wanted</u>															
Agree	99 5%	61 6%	38 4%	11 4%	17 5%	14 4%	17 5%	10 3%	31 7%	35 6%	26 5%	16 3%	23 5%	19 7%	38 4%
Disagree	1515 74%	724 72%	791 76%	156 64%	226 66%	247 72%	296 81%	238 79%	351 79%	426 78%	424 75%	320 72%	345 71%	215 75%	627 73%
Don't know	428 21%	216 22%	212 20%	76 31%	100 29%	83 24%	51 14%	54 18%	63 14%	85 16%	116 21%	109 25%	117 24%	53 18%	192 22%
<u>Royal Mail was seriously undervalued when it was floated on the stock market</u>															
Agree	1033 51%	582 58%	451 43%	92 38%	135 39%	178 52%	186 51%	175 58%	266 60%	295 54%	257 45%	237 53%	244 50%	141 49%	422 49%
Disagree	251 12%	144 14%	106 10%	30 12%	41 12%	35 10%	44 12%	34 11%	66 15%	104 19%	74 13%	28 6%	45 9%	35 12%	108 13%
Don't know	759 37%	275 27%	484 46%	120 49%	168 49%	130 38%	134 37%	94 31%	113 25%	147 27%	236 42%	179 40%	197 41%	111 39%	327 38%

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<u>Privatising the Royal Mail, making it possible to buy shares in it, is a good model for other enterprises in public ownership</u>															
Agree	622 30%	364 36%	258 25%	70 29%	99 29%	99 29%	91 25%	96 32%	166 37%	220 40%	161 28%	121 27%	120 25%	81 28%	273 32%
Disagree	784 38%	415 41%	369 35%	68 28%	100 29%	125 36%	172 47%	137 45%	183 41%	205 37%	220 39%	154 35%	206 42%	116 41%	311 36%
Don't know	636 31%	222 22%	415 40%	105 43%	145 42%	120 35%	101 28%	70 23%	96 22%	121 22%	186 33%	170 38%	160 33%	90 31%	273 32%
<u>I expect Royal Mail customer service will improve after privatisation</u>															
Agree	457 22%	233 23%	224 22%	74 31%	83 24%	76 22%	76 21%	52 17%	95 21%	152 28%	106 19%	105 24%	93 19%	61 21%	204 24%
Disagree	981 48%	517 52%	464 45%	84 35%	142 41%	153 44%	196 54%	170 56%	235 53%	265 49%	273 48%	196 44%	246 51%	145 50%	396 46%
Don't know	605 30%	251 25%	354 34%	84 35%	118 34%	115 33%	92 25%	81 27%	114 26%	129 24%	186 33%	144 32%	146 30%	81 28%	256 30%
<u>I expect postal services to be more expensive after privatisation</u>															
Agree	1467 72%	719 72%	747 72%	138 57%	225 65%	240 70%	283 78%	234 77%	348 78%	396 72%	392 69%	320 72%	358 74%	191 67%	622 73%
Disagree	219 11%	125 12%	95 9%	44 18%	46 13%	36 10%	29 8%	28 9%	36 8%	72 13%	62 11%	38 9%	48 10%	38 13%	98 11%
Don't know	356 17%	157 16%	199 19%	61 25%	73 21%	68 20%	51 14%	41 13%	61 14%	79 14%	112 20%	87 19%	79 16%	58 20%	136 16%

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<u>It is reasonable for Royal Mail staff to go on strike over its privatisation</u>															
Agree	783 38%	377 38%	406 39%	89 37%	139 40%	139 40%	149 41%	126 41%	143 32%	196 36%	227 40%	157 35%	202 42%	118 41%	319 37%
Disagree	772 38%	424 42%	348 33%	83 34%	89 26%	110 32%	139 38%	117 39%	234 53%	253 46%	200 35%	163 37%	156 32%	92 32%	327 38%
Don't know	486 24%	199 20%	287 28%	71 29%	116 34%	96 28%	76 21%	60 20%	67 15%	96 18%	138 24%	125 28%	127 26%	76 27%	210 25%
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Agree	709 35%	393 39%	316 30%	67 28%	79 23%	89 26%	127 35%	116 38%	230 52%	245 45%	171 30%	157 35%	135 28%	78 27%	298 35%
Disagree	847 41%	410 41%	436 42%	109 45%	147 43%	156 45%	164 45%	126 42%	145 33%	208 38%	250 44%	165 37%	224 46%	133 46%	347 41%
Don't know	487 24%	198 20%	289 28%	66 27%	118 34%	98 29%	74 20%	61 20%	70 16%	93 17%	145 26%	123 28%	125 26%	76 26%	211 25%

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Unweighted base	2042	1758	176	88	238	184	188	154	108	185	220	314	187	1071	721	350	971	148	139	114	389	181
Weighted base	2042	1756	184	82	225	184	184	143	102	204	265	286	184	1144	898	245	898	130	135	111	360	161
I applied for shares in Royal Mail and received the number I wanted																						
Agree	83 4%	76 4%	3 2%	6 7%	11 5%	8 5%	5 3%	6 4%	4 4%	6 3%	16 6%	13 4%	5 3%	54 5%	46 5%	8 3%	29 3%	4 3%	5 4%	1 1%	12 3%	7 4%
Disagree	1549 76%	1336 76%	137 74%	61 75%	175 78%	144 79%	147 80%	112 78%	77 75%	158 77%	183 69%	212 74%	145 79%	854 75%	660 74%	193 79%	695 77%	96 74%	100 74%	91 82%	297 82%	112 69%
Don't know	410 20%	345 20%	44 24%	15 18%	39 17%	31 17%	32 18%	25 18%	21 21%	40 19%	67 25%	61 21%	34 19%	236 21%	192 21%	44 18%	174 19%	31 24%	30 22%	19 17%	51 14%	43 26%
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Agree	99 5%	85 5%	11 6%	1 2%	12 6%	10 5%	12 7%	3 2%	4 4%	7 3%	18 7%	10 3%	11 6%	57 5%	49 5%	8 3%	42 5%	3 2%	1 1%	8 7%	24 7%	7 4%
Disagree	1515 74%	1305 74%	131 71%	68 83%	172 77%	138 75%	137 74%	113 79%	79 77%	161 79%	172 65%	210 73%	135 73%	842 74%	648 72%	194 79%	673 75%	96 74%	101 75%	84 76%	281 78%	110 69%
Don't know	428 21%	367 21%	42 23%	13 16%	40 18%	36 20%	35 19%	27 19%	19 19%	37 18%	76 29%	66 23%	38 20%	245 21%	202 22%	43 18%	183 20%	31 24%	33 25%	19 17%	56 15%	44 27%
Royal Mail was seriously undervalued when it was floated on the stock market																						
Agree	1033 51%	872 50%	108 59%	50 61%	119 53%	83 45%	75 41%	69 48%	52 51%	102 50%	144 54%	145 51%	85 46%	563 49%	449 50%	115 47%	469 52%	62 47%	60 44%	66 59%	214 59%	68 42%
Disagree	251 12%	222 13%	14 8%	7 8%	31 14%	26 14%	28 16%	14 10%	14 14%	28 13%	30 11%	35 12%	24 13%	143 12%	119 13%	24 10%	108 12%	10 7%	9 6%	7 6%	67 19%	16 10%
Don't know	759 37%	662 38%	61 33%	25 31%	74 33%	76 41%	80 44%	60 42%	36 35%	75 37%	92 35%	106 37%	74 40%	437 38%	331 37%	107 44%	322 36%	59 45%	67 50%	39 35%	79 22%	77 48%

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Don't know	636 31%	557 32%	48 26%	20 24%	49 22%	70 38%	64 35%	46 32%	32 31%	63 31%	93 35%	89 31%	63 34%	362 32%	269 30%	93 38%	274 31%	47 36%	53 39%	40 36%	65 18%	69 43%
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Don't know	605 30%	539 31%	38 21%	18 22%	69 31%	59 32%	57 31%	46 32%	28 28%	67 33%	75 28%	83 29%	64 35%	337 30%	256 28%	81 33%	267 30%	40 31%	43 32%	36 32%	89 25%	60 37%
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<u>Chancellor of the Exchequer, George Osborne</u>															
Yes	510 25%	311 31%	199 19%	22 9%	65 19%	74 22%	69 19%	88 29%	191 43%	194 36%	136 24%	96 22%	84 17%	65 23%	193 22%
No	1130 55%	555 55%	575 55%	143 59%	176 51%	203 59%	231 64%	172 57%	204 46%	273 50%	306 54%	252 57%	298 62%	166 58%	481 56%
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<u>Prime Minister, David Cameron</u>															
Yes	673 33%	383 38%	290 28%	47 19%	99 29%	101 29%	102 28%	107 35%	216 49%	241 44%	173 31%	143 32%	115 24%	85 30%	274 32%
No	1040 51%	509 51%	531 51%	131 54%	174 51%	180 52%	208 57%	163 54%	185 42%	230 42%	291 51%	232 52%	287 59%	152 53%	434 51%
Don't know	329 16%	109 11%	220 21%	64 26%	71 21%	63 18%	55 15%	33 11%	43 10%	75 14%	102 18%	70 16%	83 17%	50 17%	149 17%
<u>Deputy Prime Minister, Nick Clegg</u>															
Yes	269 13%	143 14%	125 12%	24 10%	56 16%	52 15%	34 9%	47 15%	56 13%	89 16%	75 13%	52 12%	53 11%	41 14%	120 14%
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<u>Leader of the Opposition, Ed Miliband</u>															
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<u>Shadow Chancellor, Ed Balls</u>															
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<u>Leader of the UK Independence Party, Nigel Farage</u>															
Yes	267 13%	157 16%	110 11%	26 11%	41 12%	53 15%	46 13%	43 14%	59 13%	68 12%	72 13%	64 14%	63 13%	42 15%	121 14%
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Don't know	402 20%	358 20%	27 15%	9 12%	33 15%	36 20%	44 24%	26 18%	17 17%	48 24%	59 22%	52 18%	49 27%	238 21%	177 20%	61 25%	164 18%	24 19%	39 29%	14 12%	40 11%	47 29%
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No	1040 51%	849 48%	125 68%	49 60%	123 55%	102 55%	93 50%	69 49%	66 65%	93 45%	125 47%	123 43%	73 39%	586 51%	473 53%	113 46%	454 51%	84 65%	80 59%	60 54%	148 41%	83 51%
Don't know	329 16%	288 16%	25 14%	10 12%	27 12%	24 13%	38 21%	28 20%	16 16%	32 15%	37 14%	48 17%	44 24%	199 17%	145 16%	54 22%	130 14%	19 15%	26 19%	12 11%	32 9%	41 26%
Deputy Prime Minister, Nick Clegg																						
Yes	269 13%	243 14%	17 9%	10 12%	33 14%	28 15%	20 11%	17 12%	8 8%	27 13%	47 18%	38 13%	24 13%	161 14%	126 14%	35 14%	107 12%	13 10%	16 12%	11 10%	50 14%	17 10%
No	1394 68%	1179 67%	140 76%	61 74%	159 71%	122 67%	123 67%	100 70%	75 73%	140 68%	170 64%	196 69%	109 59%	753 66%	598 67%	155 63%	641 71%	95 73%	90 66%	90 81%	269 75%	96 60%
Don't know	379 19%	334 19%	27 15%	11 14%	33 15%	34 18%	40 22%	26 18%	19 18%	38 19%	49 18%	52 18%	51 28%	229 20%	174 19%	55 22%	150 17%	22 17%	29 22%	10 9%	41 11%	48 30%

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Table 2

Q.2 Do you, or would you, trust each of the following politicians to see the country through the current economic situation?

Base: All respondents

	Region													Which of the following best describes your current working status?								
	Total	England	Scotland	North East	North West	Yorkshire & Humberside	West Midlands	East Midlands	Wales	East-ern	London	South East	South West	NET: Work-ing	Work-ing full time	Work-ing part time	NET: Not work-ing	Not working seeking work	Not working and not seeking work	Retired on a state pension only	Retired with a private pension	House person
Weighted base	2042	1756	184	82	225	184	184	143	102	204	265	286	184	1144	898	245	898	130	135	111	360	161
<u>Leader of the Opposition, Ed Miliband</u>																						
Yes	469	388	58	23	61	43	43	29	23	39	78	40	32	260	208	52	209	36	38	33	66	37
	23%	22%	31%	28%	27%	23%	23%	20%	23%	19%	29%	14%	18%	23%	23%	21%	23%	27%	28%	29%	18%	23%
No	1179	1036	90	48	122	112	101	87	53	128	143	187	108	649	513	135	530	62	64	67	260	76
	58%	59%	49%	58%	54%	61%	55%	61%	52%	63%	54%	66%	59%	57%	57%	55%	59%	48%	47%	60%	72%	47%
Don't know	394	332	36	11	42	29	40	27	26	37	45	58	43	234	177	57	160	32	33	12	35	48
	19%	19%	20%	14%	19%	16%	22%	19%	26%	18%	17%	20%	24%	20%	20%	23%	18%	25%	25%	11%	10%	30%
<u>Shadow Chancellor, Ed Balls</u>																						
Yes	337	284	37	19	52	36	29	18	16	26	47	28	29	182	148	34	155	25	20	22	61	27
	16%	16%	20%	24%	23%	19%	16%	13%	16%	13%	18%	10%	16%	16%	16%	14%	17%	19%	15%	19%	17%	17%
No	1274	1100	113	53	132	114	109	96	61	131	152	204	109	714	565	149	560	72	68	77	263	80
	62%	63%	61%	64%	59%	62%	59%	67%	60%	64%	57%	71%	60%	62%	63%	61%	62%	55%	51%	69%	73%	50%
Don't know	431	372	35	10	41	34	46	28	25	48	67	54	45	247	186	62	184	33	47	13	36	54
	21%	21%	19%	12%	18%	18%	25%	20%	24%	24%	25%	19%	25%	22%	21%	25%	21%	26%	35%	12%	10%	34%
<u>Leader of the UK Independence Party, Nigel Farage</u>																						
Yes	267	243	14	15	37	17	22	21	11	38	38	36	19	163	125	37	105	19	10	15	44	18
	13%	14%	8%	19%	17%	9%	12%	14%	10%	18%	14%	13%	11%	14%	14%	15%	12%	15%	7%	13%	12%	11%
No	1310	1104	141	53	149	115	115	87	65	123	173	180	109	726	579	148	583	78	85	69	262	89
	64%	63%	77%	65%	66%	63%	63%	61%	64%	60%	65%	63%	59%	64%	64%	60%	65%	60%	63%	62%	73%	55%
Don't know	465	410	29	13	38	52	47	36	27	44	55	69	56	254	194	60	210	33	41	27	55	54
	23%	23%	16%	16%	17%	28%	25%	25%	26%	21%	21%	24%	30%	22%	22%	25%	23%	25%	30%	24%	15%	34%

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Table 3

Q.3 Do you think that the Coalition Government is good or bad for Britain?**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	2042	967	1075	214	321	356	383	315	453	589	602	356	495	277	794
Weighted base	2042	1001	1041	243	344	344	364	303	444	546	566	445	485	287	857
Good	567 28%	308 31%	259 25%	51 21%	87 25%	94 27%	76 21%	101 33%	159 36%	201 37%	163 29%	100 22%	103 21%	78 27%	243 28%
Bad	1094 54%	556 56%	538 52%	121 50%	163 47%	194 56%	204 56%	171 57%	241 54%	267 49%	298 53%	247 56%	282 58%	152 53%	451 53%
Don't know	381 19%	137 14%	244 23%	71 29%	94 27%	56 16%	84 23%	31 10%	45 10%	78 14%	106 19%	98 22%	100 21%	57 20%	162 19%

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	Region													Which of the following best describes your current working status?								
	Total	England	Scotland	North East	North West	Yorkshire & Humberside	West Midlands	East Midlands	Wales	East-ern	London	South East	South West	NET: Working	Working full time	Working part time	NET: Not working	Not working seeking work	Not working and not seeking work	Retired on a state pension only	Retired with a private pension	House person
Unweighted base	2042	1758	176	88	238	184	188	154	108	185	220	314	187	1071	721	350	971	148	139	114	389	181
Weighted base	2042	1756	184	82	225	184	184	143	102	204	265	286	184	1144	898	245	898	130	135	111	360	161
Good	567 28%	500 28%	43 24%	18 22%	72 32%	51 28%	50 27%	36 25%	23 23%	60 30%	74 28%	78 27%	62 34%	321 28%	253 28%	69 28%	246 27%	26 20%	24 18%	28 25%	138 38%	30 18%
Bad	1094 54%	924 53%	117 64%	54 67%	126 56%	95 52%	105 57%	82 57%	53 52%	111 54%	134 50%	134 47%	82 45%	603 53%	475 53%	128 52%	491 55%	76 58%	68 50%	74 66%	189 52%	85 53%
Don't know	381 19%	332 19%	24 13%	9 11%	27 12%	37 20%	29 16%	25 17%	26 25%	33 16%	58 22%	74 26%	39 21%	219 19%	171 19%	48 20%	162 18%	28 21%	44 32%	10 9%	33 9%	47 29%

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Table 4

Q.4 Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?**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	Pri- vate
Unweighted base	2042	967	1075	214	321	356	383	315	453	589	602	356	495	277	794
Weighted base	2042	1001	1041	243	344	344	364	303	444	546	566	445	485	287	857
<u>The way the Government is going about cutting public spending is fair</u>															
Agree	668 33%	361 36%	307 29%	69 28%	102 30%	93 27%	90 25%	103 34%	212 48%	249 46%	191 34%	114 26%	114 24%	88 31%	280 33%
Disagree	1074 53%	528 53%	546 52%	118 49%	176 51%	198 58%	214 59%	172 57%	196 44%	247 45%	291 51%	249 56%	287 59%	163 57%	437 51%
Don't know	300 15%	111 11%	189 18%	56 23%	66 19%	53 15%	60 17%	28 9%	36 8%	50 9%	84 15%	82 18%	84 17%	35 12%	140 16%
<u>The Government is cutting public spending too much and too quickly</u>															
Agree	1122 55%	539 54%	583 56%	139 57%	190 55%	204 59%	223 61%	173 57%	194 44%	262 48%	296 52%	260 58%	304 63%	177 62%	462 54%
Disagree	607 30%	341 34%	266 26%	46 19%	85 25%	77 22%	93 26%	101 33%	206 46%	227 42%	174 31%	112 25%	95 20%	74 26%	255 30%
Don't know	313 15%	120 12%	193 19%	58 24%	69 20%	63 18%	48 13%	30 10%	45 10%	57 10%	97 17%	74 17%	86 18%	35 12%	139 16%
<u>Things in this country are generally heading in the right direction</u>															
Agree	800 39%	445 44%	355 34%	68 28%	119 34%	112 32%	128 35%	131 43%	243 55%	293 54%	209 37%	159 36%	140 29%	99 35%	345 40%
Disagree	910 45%	424 42%	485 47%	115 47%	156 46%	171 50%	179 49%	136 45%	153 35%	186 34%	260 46%	205 46%	259 53%	138 48%	366 43%
Don't know	332 16%	132 13%	200 19%	59 24%	69 20%	62 18%	58 16%	37 12%	48 11%	67 12%	97 17%	81 18%	87 18%	50 17%	146 17%

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Weighted base	2042	1001	1041	243	344	344	364	303	444	546	566	445	485	287	857
<u>The UK is on course for another wave of recession</u>															
Agree	800 39%	355 35%	445 43%	112 46%	149 43%	155 45%	161 44%	111 37%	112 25%	156 29%	218 38%	191 43%	235 48%	143 50%	331 39%
Disagree	665 33%	380 38%	285 27%	50 20%	82 24%	93 27%	107 29%	114 38%	219 49%	252 46%	189 33%	113 25%	111 23%	76 27%	270 32%
Don't know	577 28%	266 27%	311 30%	80 33%	113 33%	96 28%	96 26%	78 26%	114 26%	138 25%	159 28%	140 32%	139 29%	68 24%	256 30%

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Agree	668 33%	606 35%	35 19%	24 30%	76 34%	65 36%	54 29%	43 30%	27 26%	80 39%	89 33%	104 36%	70 38%	368 32%	290 32%	78 32%	300 33%	29 22%	23 17%	32 29%	179 50%	37 23%
Disagree	1074 53%	881 50%	130 71%	51 63%	118 53%	89 48%	99 54%	74 52%	63 62%	102 50%	139 52%	134 47%	76 41%	601 53%	474 53%	126 51%	474 53%	83 64%	85 62%	67 60%	154 43%	85 53%
Don't know	300 15%	268 15%	19 11%	6 8%	30 13%	30 16%	31 17%	26 18%	12 12%	22 11%	38 14%	48 17%	37 20%	175 15%	134 15%	41 17%	125 14%	18 14%	28 21%	12 11%	27 8%	40 25%
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Disagree	607 30%	546 31%	35 19%	17 20%	64 29%	54 29%	49 27%	46 32%	26 26%	69 34%	75 28%	114 40%	57 31%	329 29%	253 28%	76 31%	278 31%	17 13%	20 15%	33 29%	175 48%	34 21%
Don't know	313 15%	282 16%	20 11%	7 9%	27 12%	32 18%	27 15%	21 15%	11 11%	30 15%	41 15%	54 19%	43 24%	174 15%	134 15%	41 17%	139 15%	20 15%	32 24%	15 14%	32 9%	40 25%
<u>Things in this country are generally heading in the right direction</u>																						
Agree	800 39%	725 41%	40 22%	23 28%	96 43%	78 42%	72 39%	55 38%	34 33%	86 42%	99 37%	131 46%	86 47%	444 39%	349 39%	95 39%	356 40%	31 24%	31 23%	45 41%	208 58%	40 25%
Disagree	910 45%	740 42%	115 62%	52 63%	102 45%	76 41%	75 41%	60 42%	55 54%	88 43%	126 48%	97 34%	66 36%	503 44%	404 45%	99 40%	406 45%	81 62%	77 57%	50 45%	116 32%	83 51%
Don't know	332 16%	290 17%	29 16%	7 9%	27 12%	30 16%	37 20%	28 19%	13 13%	31 15%	40 15%	58 20%	32 17%	196 17%	145 16%	51 21%	136 15%	18 14%	28 20%	16 14%	36 10%	38 24%

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Disagree	665 33%	606 35%	28 15%	21 25%	88 39%	60 33%	57 31%	50 35%	31 31%	72 35%	76 29%	114 40%	68 37%	346 30%	279 31%	67 27%	319 36%	28 22%	33 25%	36 32%	193 54%	29 18%
Don't know	577 28%	493 28%	57 31%	23 29%	44 19%	53 29%	58 31%	38 26%	26 26%	42 21%	81 31%	89 31%	65 35%	324 28%	239 27%	84 34%	253 28%	41 32%	38 28%	32 29%	90 25%	52 32%