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METHODOLOGY NOTE

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<u>Ed Miliband is right to propose a freeze on energy prices given the behaviour of energy companies over recent years</u>															
Agree	1104 55%	510 52%	594 58%	128 54%	214 63%	209 62%	201 56%	180 61%	171 39%	282 53%	304 55%	231 53%	287 60%	196 65%	460 56%
Disagree	477 24%	302 31%	176 17%	25 11%	36 11%	49 15%	91 26%	69 23%	207 47%	158 29%	135 24%	89 20%	95 20%	45 15%	170 21%
Don't know	425 21%	172 17%	253 25%	85 36%	88 26%	79 23%	65 18%	48 16%	59 13%	96 18%	118 21%	116 27%	94 20%	62 21%	190 23%
<u>Ed Miliband is wrong to propose a freeze on energy prices given the claim that it may lead to a lack of investment in the industry and even cause blackouts</u>															
Agree	490 24%	309 31%	181 18%	27 11%	31 9%	47 14%	94 26%	76 26%	215 49%	161 30%	134 24%	96 22%	100 21%	46 15%	165 20%
Disagree	1000 50%	475 48%	525 51%	115 48%	195 58%	187 56%	190 53%	157 53%	156 36%	261 49%	274 49%	209 48%	256 54%	187 62%	416 51%
Don't know	515 26%	199 20%	317 31%	96 40%	111 33%	103 31%	74 21%	65 22%	65 15%	114 21%	149 27%	132 30%	121 25%	70 23%	239 29%
<u>Ed Miliband's announcement that he will cap energy prices to January 2017 if he becomes Prime Minister is enough to secure him my vote</u>															
Agree	351 17%	173 18%	178 17%	38 16%	76 23%	75 22%	53 15%	49 16%	59 13%	87 16%	77 14%	78 18%	108 23%	65 21%	137 17%
Disagree	1096 55%	611 62%	484 47%	101 43%	139 41%	144 43%	211 59%	182 61%	318 73%	321 60%	314 57%	228 52%	233 49%	148 49%	428 52%
Don't know	559 28%	198 20%	361 35%	98 41%	123 36%	118 35%	93 26%	67 22%	60 14%	128 24%	165 30%	131 30%	135 28%	90 30%	256 31%

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<u>I feel I am being ripped off by the company supplying my energy at home</u>															
Agree	1211 60%	602 61%	609 60%	111 46%	209 62%	228 67%	235 66%	200 67%	228 52%	304 57%	319 57%	286 65%	302 63%	196 65%	497 61%
Disagree	367 18%	196 20%	171 17%	36 15%	46 14%	39 12%	66 18%	48 16%	132 30%	116 22%	102 18%	68 15%	82 17%	58 19%	122 15%
Don't know	428 21%	185 19%	244 24%	91 38%	82 24%	71 21%	56 16%	50 17%	78 18%	117 22%	135 24%	84 19%	92 19%	49 16%	201 25%
<u>Ed Miliband's pledge to cap energy prices shows he is determined to stand up for ordinary working people</u>															
Agree	907 45%	412 42%	495 48%	97 41%	173 51%	183 54%	148 41%	150 50%	156 36%	230 43%	240 43%	212 49%	225 47%	169 56%	364 44%
Disagree	606 30%	374 38%	231 23%	40 17%	69 20%	61 18%	126 35%	91 31%	218 50%	198 37%	163 29%	101 23%	145 30%	68 22%	224 27%
Don't know	494 25%	197 20%	296 29%	101 43%	97 29%	93 28%	84 23%	57 19%	62 14%	109 20%	154 28%	124 28%	107 22%	67 22%	233 28%
<u>I doubt whether Ed Miliband will be able to deliver on his pledge to cap energy prices even if he does become Prime Minister</u>															
Agree	1270 63%	651 66%	619 61%	105 44%	190 56%	195 58%	244 68%	200 67%	336 77%	358 67%	354 64%	275 63%	283 59%	172 57%	514 63%
Disagree	256 13%	143 15%	113 11%	33 14%	45 13%	45 13%	34 9%	49 16%	51 12%	68 13%	72 13%	55 13%	62 13%	55 18%	89 11%
Don't know	479 24%	189 19%	291 28%	100 42%	103 30%	98 29%	79 22%	49 16%	50 11%	111 21%	130 23%	107 25%	132 28%	76 25%	217 26%

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Don't know	749 37%	287 29%	462 45%	145 61%	166 49%	142 42%	130 36%	72 24%	95 22%	166 31%	212 38%	196 45%	175 37%	121 40%	346 42%
<u>If household energy prices are capped, then the same should be done for motor fuel prices too</u>															
Agree	1338 67%	650 66%	688 67%	121 51%	209 62%	237 70%	251 70%	222 74%	298 68%	349 65%	347 62%	307 70%	335 70%	200 66%	539 66%
Disagree	275 14%	155 16%	120 12%	37 15%	52 16%	30 9%	42 12%	39 13%	75 17%	89 17%	90 16%	50 11%	47 10%	49 16%	94 11%
Don't know	393 20%	178 18%	215 21%	80 34%	76 23%	71 21%	65 18%	37 12%	64 15%	99 18%	119 21%	80 18%	94 20%	54 18%	187 23%

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Unweighted base	2006	1732	166	85	238	186	186	140	108	168	247	303	179	1024	679	345	982	136	132	99	429	186
Weighted base	2006	1725	181	80	221	181	181	140	100	201	261	281	181	1123	883	241	883	118	112	101	392	160
<u>Ed Miliband is right to propose a freeze on energy prices given the behaviour of energy companies over recent years</u>																						
Agree	1104	932	116	49	130	96	108	84	56	106	141	131	88	656	523	133	448	81	65	52	160	89
	55%	54%	64%	60%	59%	53%	60%	60%	56%	53%	54%	47%	49%	58%	59%	55%	51%	69%	58%	51%	41%	56%
Disagree	477	430	24	15	50	43	45	33	23	57	48	86	53	215	162	53	262	14	13	30	187	19
	24%	25%	14%	19%	23%	24%	25%	24%	23%	28%	18%	31%	29%	19%	18%	22%	30%	12%	11%	29%	48%	12%
Don't know	425	364	40	17	41	41	28	23	21	38	72	63	40	252	197	55	172	23	34	19	44	51
	21%	21%	22%	21%	19%	23%	16%	17%	21%	19%	28%	23%	22%	22%	22%	23%	20%	19%	31%	19%	11%	32%
<u>Ed Miliband is wrong to propose a freeze on energy prices given the claim that it may lead to a lack of investment in the industry and even cause blackouts</u>																						
Agree	490	438	27	16	48	47	43	37	26	58	42	91	55	211	155	56	279	13	16	35	195	20
	24%	25%	15%	20%	22%	26%	24%	26%	26%	29%	16%	33%	30%	19%	18%	23%	32%	11%	14%	35%	50%	12%
Disagree	1000	844	103	48	116	91	98	76	53	95	121	123	77	603	482	121	398	71	58	49	141	78
	50%	49%	57%	59%	53%	50%	54%	54%	53%	47%	46%	44%	43%	54%	55%	50%	45%	60%	52%	49%	36%	49%
Don't know	515	443	51	17	56	43	39	28	22	47	97	67	49	309	245	64	206	34	38	16	55	62
	26%	26%	28%	21%	25%	24%	22%	20%	22%	24%	37%	24%	27%	28%	28%	27%	23%	29%	34%	16%	14%	39%
<u>Ed Miliband's announcement that he will cap energy prices to January 2017 if he becomes Prime Minister is enough to secure him my vote</u>																						
Agree	351	284	42	17	55	28	30	24	26	16	47	44	23	202	159	43	149	22	21	23	49	34
	17%	16%	23%	21%	25%	15%	17%	17%	26%	8%	18%	16%	13%	18%	18%	18%	17%	19%	19%	23%	12%	21%
Disagree	1096	952	90	41	92	102	98	79	55	142	122	170	105	576	456	120	520	48	53	60	296	63
	55%	55%	50%	51%	42%	57%	55%	56%	55%	71%	47%	60%	58%	51%	52%	50%	59%	41%	48%	59%	75%	39%
Don't know	559	490	49	23	73	51	52	37	20	43	91	67	53	345	268	77	214	48	38	18	48	63
	28%	28%	27%	28%	33%	28%	29%	26%	20%	21%	35%	24%	29%	31%	30%	32%	24%	40%	34%	18%	12%	39%

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<u>I doubt whether Ed Miliband will be able to deliver on his pledge to cap energy prices even if he does become Prime Minister</u>																						
Agree	1270 63%	1095 63%	115 64%	47 58%	131 59%	124 69%	120 66%	99 71%	61 61%	144 72%	131 50%	176 63%	123 68%	686 61%	535 61%	151 63%	584 66%	54 46%	61 55%	74 73%	302 77%	92 58%
Disagree	256 13%	215 12%	29 16%	11 13%	41 18%	20 11%	28 16%	17 12%	13 13%	16 8%	39 15%	27 10%	17 9%	144 13%	120 14%	24 10%	112 13%	16 14%	12 11%	14 14%	49 13%	20 13%
Don't know	479 24%	415 24%	37 21%	23 29%	49 22%	36 20%	33 18%	24 17%	27 26%	40 20%	91 35%	78 28%	41 23%	293 26%	227 26%	66 27%	186 21%	47 40%	38 34%	13 13%	40 10%	48 30%

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Agree	597 30%	527 31%	39 22%	21 27%	71 32%	63 35%	55 30%	37 26%	31 31%	66 33%	61 24%	86 31%	67 37%	288 26%	220 25%	68 28%	309 35%	26 22%	26 23%	33 33%	190 49%	34 21%
Disagree	660 33%	541 31%	84 47%	30 37%	67 30%	50 28%	57 32%	53 38%	35 35%	58 29%	82 31%	83 29%	61 34%	368 33%	295 33%	73 30%	292 33%	48 40%	35 32%	38 38%	127 32%	44 27%
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<u>If household energy prices are capped, then the same should be done for motor fuel prices too</u>																						
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Disagree	275 14%	243 14%	19 11%	10 12%	26 12%	18 10%	23 13%	16 12%	12 12%	22 11%	55 21%	45 16%	29 16%	143 13%	115 13%	28 12%	132 15%	12 10%	21 19%	5 5%	76 19%	17 11%
Don't know	393 20%	344 20%	31 17%	17 21%	42 19%	30 17%	40 22%	17 12%	18 18%	43 21%	70 27%	50 18%	36 20%	241 21%	191 22%	50 21%	152 17%	22 18%	31 27%	16 16%	50 13%	34 21%

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Weighted base	2006	983	1023	238	338	338	358	298	437	536	556	437	477	303	820
<u>The Conservatives would have a better chance in the next General Election without David Cameron as Party leader</u>															
Agree	517 26%	287 29%	230 22%	54 23%	88 26%	72 21%	98 28%	84 28%	121 28%	134 25%	122 22%	123 28%	137 29%	75 25%	220 27%
Disagree	714 36%	397 40%	317 31%	59 25%	99 29%	125 37%	136 38%	106 36%	189 43%	213 40%	223 40%	130 30%	149 31%	114 38%	287 35%
Don't know	775 39%	299 30%	476 47%	125 52%	150 44%	141 42%	123 34%	108 36%	127 29%	190 35%	211 38%	184 42%	190 40%	114 37%	313 38%
<u>I would prefer a Conservative/Liberal Democrat Coalition to a majority Conservative Government</u>															
Agree	667 33%	350 36%	316 31%	70 29%	124 37%	103 31%	106 30%	110 37%	153 35%	198 37%	194 35%	129 29%	146 31%	132 44%	248 30%
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<u>The government should encourage the institution of marriage by offering tax breaks to married couples</u>															
Agree	940 47%	513 52%	427 42%	69 29%	136 40%	145 43%	165 46%	153 51%	272 62%	283 53%	221 40%	202 46%	233 49%	125 41%	353 43%
Disagree	564 28%	268 27%	296 29%	75 31%	97 29%	97 29%	100 28%	86 29%	110 25%	140 26%	191 34%	111 25%	122 26%	98 32%	232 28%
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<u>The rise of Nigel Farage and UKIP has had a significant positive effect on the Conservative Party</u>															
Agree	437 22%	264 27%	172 17%	22 9%	58 17%	52 15%	74 21%	90 30%	141 32%	116 22%	126 23%	99 23%	96 20%	55 18%	169 21%
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<u>The rise of UKIP has pushed the Conservative Party into being more Eurosceptic than it otherwise would have been</u>															
Agree	827 41%	502 51%	325 32%	50 21%	110 33%	114 34%	147 41%	161 54%	246 56%	261 49%	209 38%	181 41%	176 37%	127 42%	294 36%
Disagree	322 16%	177 18%	145 14%	40 17%	47 14%	46 14%	63 18%	42 14%	83 19%	101 19%	96 17%	53 12%	72 15%	50 16%	131 16%
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<u>The Conservative-led government has taken the right economic decisions and should get the credit for economic recovery</u>															
Agree	694 35%	415 42%	279 27%	57 24%	90 27%	84 25%	114 32%	93 31%	254 58%	228 42%	205 37%	145 33%	117 24%	67 22%	276 34%
Disagree	717 36%	350 36%	367 36%	65 27%	110 33%	137 41%	139 39%	132 44%	135 31%	184 34%	187 34%	142 33%	204 43%	133 44%	272 33%
Don't know	594 30%	218 22%	376 37%	116 49%	137 41%	116 34%	104 29%	73 24%	47 11%	124 23%	164 29%	150 34%	156 33%	103 34%	272 33%

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Unweighted base	2006	1732	166	85	238	186	186	140	108	168	247	303	179	1024	679	345	982	136	132	99	429	186
Weighted base	2006	1725	181	80	221	181	181	140	100	201	261	281	181	1123	883	241	883	118	112	101	392	160
<u>The Conservatives would have a better chance in the next General Election without David Cameron as Party leader</u>																						
Agree	517 26%	428 25%	57 32%	17 22%	54 25%	45 25%	51 28%	35 25%	32 32%	43 21%	61 23%	77 27%	45 25%	295 26%	241 27%	54 23%	221 25%	33 28%	24 22%	37 36%	92 23%	36 22%
Disagree	714 36%	622 36%	61 34%	26 32%	86 39%	67 37%	62 34%	51 37%	31 31%	83 41%	83 32%	97 35%	68 38%	401 36%	322 37%	79 33%	313 35%	32 27%	36 33%	32 31%	174 44%	39 24%
Don't know	775 39%	675 39%	62 35%	37 46%	81 37%	68 38%	68 38%	54 38%	38 38%	75 38%	117 45%	107 38%	68 38%	427 38%	319 36%	107 45%	348 39%	54 45%	51 46%	32 32%	126 32%	85 53%
<u>I would prefer a Conservative/Liberal Democrat Coalition to a majority Conservative Government</u>																						
Agree	667 33%	563 33%	68 38%	31 39%	86 39%	60 33%	45 25%	51 36%	36 36%	69 35%	77 29%	86 31%	58 32%	380 34%	306 35%	74 31%	286 32%	44 37%	29 26%	33 33%	146 37%	34 21%
Disagree	753 38%	656 38%	60 33%	27 34%	71 32%	78 43%	77 43%	55 39%	37 37%	76 38%	97 37%	112 40%	63 35%	389 35%	295 33%	94 39%	364 41%	34 29%	38 34%	46 45%	200 51%	46 29%
Don't know	587 29%	507 29%	53 29%	22 28%	64 29%	43 24%	58 32%	34 24%	27 27%	56 28%	87 33%	83 30%	60 33%	354 32%	282 32%	73 30%	233 26%	41 34%	45 40%	22 22%	45 12%	80 50%
<u>The government should encourage the institution of marriage by offering tax breaks to married couples</u>																						
Agree	940 47%	823 48%	70 39%	36 44%	103 47%	87 48%	95 53%	64 45%	47 47%	97 48%	111 43%	138 49%	92 51%	477 42%	363 41%	114 47%	463 52%	55 47%	34 30%	62 62%	235 60%	76 48%
Disagree	564 28%	468 27%	68 38%	24 30%	56 25%	52 29%	38 21%	52 37%	28 28%	48 24%	74 29%	79 28%	45 25%	330 29%	264 30%	66 27%	234 27%	39 33%	33 30%	23 23%	112 28%	28 17%
Don't know	502 25%	434 25%	42 23%	20 25%	61 28%	42 23%	47 26%	25 18%	26 26%	56 28%	75 29%	64 23%	43 24%	316 28%	255 29%	61 25%	186 21%	24 20%	45 40%	15 15%	45 12%	56 35%

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Weighted base	2006	1725	181	80	221	181	181	140	100	201	261	281	181	1123	883	241	883	118	112	101	392	160
<u>The rise of Nigel Farage and UKIP has had a significant positive effect on the Conservative Party</u>																						
Agree	437	364	46	16	43	35	31	38	26	41	57	54	50	225	176	49	212	18	14	34	129	18
	22%	21%	26%	20%	19%	19%	17%	27%	26%	21%	22%	19%	27%	20%	20%	20%	24%	15%	12%	34%	33%	11%
Disagree	577	513	39	25	69	64	51	40	25	62	76	85	42	299	229	70	278	35	33	22	144	44
	29%	30%	22%	31%	31%	35%	28%	28%	25%	31%	29%	30%	23%	27%	26%	29%	32%	30%	30%	22%	37%	27%
Don't know	992	848	95	40	109	82	99	62	49	97	128	142	89	599	477	122	392	66	65	45	119	98
	49%	49%	52%	49%	49%	45%	55%	44%	49%	49%	49%	51%	49%	53%	54%	51%	44%	56%	58%	44%	30%	61%
<u>The rise of Nigel Farage and UKIP has had a significant negative effect on the Conservative Party</u>																						
Agree	486	432	29	20	57	54	41	32	26	56	59	78	33	252	195	57	234	33	28	20	121	33
	24%	25%	16%	25%	26%	30%	23%	23%	26%	28%	23%	28%	18%	22%	22%	24%	27%	28%	25%	20%	31%	21%
Disagree	442	370	48	15	42	35	38	38	24	42	54	56	49	230	181	50	212	18	14	34	127	18
	22%	21%	27%	19%	19%	20%	21%	27%	24%	21%	21%	20%	27%	21%	20%	21%	24%	15%	13%	34%	32%	11%
Don't know	1078	924	103	45	122	91	102	70	51	102	147	147	98	641	507	134	437	67	70	47	144	109
	54%	54%	57%	56%	55%	51%	56%	50%	51%	51%	57%	52%	54%	57%	57%	56%	49%	57%	63%	46%	37%	68%
<u>The rise of UKIP has pushed the Conservative Party into being more Eurosceptic than it otherwise would have been</u>																						
Agree	827	705	78	37	89	67	70	67	44	77	100	120	78	421	339	82	406	48	37	46	233	41
	41%	41%	43%	46%	40%	37%	39%	48%	44%	38%	38%	43%	43%	37%	38%	34%	46%	41%	33%	46%	60%	26%
Disagree	322	288	22	12	39	30	34	25	12	34	46	45	22	181	143	38	141	14	18	16	74	19
	16%	17%	12%	15%	18%	17%	19%	18%	12%	17%	18%	16%	12%	16%	16%	16%	16%	12%	16%	16%	19%	12%
Don't know	857	732	81	31	93	83	76	48	44	90	114	116	80	521	401	121	335	56	56	38	84	100
	43%	42%	45%	39%	42%	46%	42%	34%	44%	45%	44%	41%	44%	46%	45%	50%	38%	47%	50%	38%	22%	63%

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Weighted base	2006	1725	181	80	221	181	181	140	100	201	261	281	181	1123	883	241	883	118	112	101	392	160
<u>The economy would be stronger now if George Osborne had done more to promote growth earlier</u>																						
Agree	784 39%	676 39%	73 40%	41 51%	95 43%	72 40%	70 39%	49 35%	35 35%	63 31%	107 41%	109 39%	70 39%	406 36%	311 35%	95 39%	378 43%	54 45%	44 39%	47 46%	184 47%	50 31%
Disagree	410 20%	354 21%	34 19%	8 10%	37 17%	40 22%	39 22%	31 22%	22 22%	43 22%	44 17%	74 26%	36 20%	218 19%	176 20%	42 18%	192 22%	19 16%	14 12%	21 20%	111 28%	27 17%
Don't know	812 40%	695 40%	74 41%	31 38%	89 40%	69 38%	71 40%	60 43%	43 43%	94 47%	110 42%	98 35%	74 41%	499 44%	396 45%	104 43%	313 35%	46 39%	54 48%	34 33%	97 25%	83 52%
<u>The Conservative-led government has taken the right economic decisions and should get the credit for economic recovery</u>																						
Agree	694 35%	616 36%	44 24%	24 30%	72 33%	58 32%	59 32%	59 42%	34 34%	77 39%	89 34%	114 41%	64 35%	343 31%	265 30%	78 33%	351 40%	17 14%	31 28%	34 34%	228 58%	41 26%
Disagree	717 36%	587 34%	91 51%	34 42%	82 37%	58 32%	64 35%	44 31%	40 39%	62 31%	88 34%	101 36%	53 29%	405 36%	319 36%	86 36%	313 35%	61 52%	40 36%	40 39%	125 32%	46 29%
Don't know	594 30%	522 30%	46 25%	22 28%	66 30%	64 36%	58 32%	38 27%	27 26%	61 31%	83 32%	66 24%	63 35%	375 33%	299 34%	76 32%	219 25%	40 34%	40 36%	27 27%	39 10%	73 45%

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Q.3 Do you think each of the following have got better or worse over the past three months?**Base: All respondents**

	Total	Gender		Age						Social Grade				Employment Sector	
		Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Public	Private
Unweighted base	2006	926	1080	219	354	334	342	304	453	595	593	325	493	267	757
Weighted base	2006	983	1023	238	338	338	358	298	437	536	556	437	477	303	820
<u>The state of the UK economy</u>															
Better	712 35%	423 43%	289 28%	76 32%	82 24%	87 26%	112 31%	102 34%	252 58%	242 45%	219 39%	116 27%	134 28%	68 23%	277 34%
No change	692 35%	305 31%	387 38%	92 39%	143 42%	132 39%	130 36%	107 36%	87 20%	174 32%	180 32%	177 41%	161 34%	120 40%	319 39%
Worse	602 30%	255 26%	347 34%	70 29%	113 33%	119 35%	115 32%	89 30%	97 22%	120 22%	157 28%	143 33%	181 38%	114 38%	225 27%
<u>Your personal financial situation</u>															
Better	306 15%	171 17%	135 13%	79 33%	63 19%	49 15%	48 13%	24 8%	43 10%	99 18%	89 16%	55 13%	63 13%	71 23%	152 19%
No change	897 45%	452 46%	444 43%	78 33%	120 36%	150 44%	144 40%	137 46%	268 61%	269 50%	257 46%	205 47%	165 35%	106 35%	360 44%
Worse	803 40%	360 37%	443 43%	81 34%	155 46%	139 41%	166 46%	136 46%	126 29%	168 31%	211 38%	176 40%	248 52%	126 42%	308 38%
<u>Your job security</u>															
Better	197 10%	104 11%	92 9%	70 29%	47 14%	41 12%	28 8%	8 3%	3 1%	45 8%	54 10%	55 13%	42 9%	47 15%	131 16%
No change	1316 66%	645 66%	670 66%	105 44%	165 49%	198 59%	236 66%	209 70%	402 92%	380 71%	356 64%	280 64%	299 63%	151 50%	463 56%
Worse	494 25%	233 24%	260 25%	64 27%	126 37%	98 29%	93 26%	81 27%	32 7%	111 21%	146 26%	102 23%	135 28%	105 35%	227 28%

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Weighted base	2006	983	1023	238	338	338	358	298	437	536	556	437	477	303	820
<u>Anti-social behaviour in my neighbourhood</u>															
Better	194 10%	99 10%	95 9%	33 14%	36 11%	36 11%	27 8%	22 7%	40 9%	52 10%	54 10%	32 7%	56 12%	26 9%	71 9%
No change	1395 70%	684 70%	711 69%	148 62%	213 63%	222 66%	250 70%	222 74%	340 78%	398 74%	399 72%	301 69%	296 62%	208 69%	569 69%
Worse	417 21%	200 20%	217 21%	58 24%	89 26%	79 23%	80 22%	54 18%	57 13%	86 16%	103 19%	104 24%	125 26%	69 23%	180 22%
<u>Crime</u>															
Better	211 11%	122 12%	89 9%	25 11%	42 12%	32 10%	31 9%	21 7%	61 14%	65 12%	60 11%	43 10%	43 9%	27 9%	82 10%
No change	1206 60%	610 62%	596 58%	139 58%	189 56%	208 62%	223 62%	186 62%	261 60%	353 66%	339 61%	267 61%	247 52%	189 62%	511 62%
Worse	589 29%	251 26%	338 33%	74 31%	107 32%	97 29%	104 29%	91 31%	116 26%	119 22%	157 28%	127 29%	186 39%	87 29%	228 28%
<u>Social disorder in some communities around the country</u>															
Better	160 8%	82 8%	78 8%	39 16%	37 11%	21 6%	12 3%	19 6%	33 7%	47 9%	51 9%	35 8%	26 6%	29 10%	58 7%
No change	990 49%	508 52%	482 47%	119 50%	163 48%	169 50%	182 51%	146 49%	210 48%	286 53%	281 51%	210 48%	213 45%	146 48%	432 53%
Worse	856 43%	393 40%	463 45%	80 34%	138 41%	148 44%	163 46%	133 45%	194 44%	203 38%	224 40%	192 44%	237 50%	127 42%	330 40%

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Unweighted base	2006	1732	166	85	238	186	186	140	108	168	247	303	179	1024	679	345	982	136	132	99	429	186
Weighted base	2006	1725	181	80	221	181	181	140	100	201	261	281	181	1123	883	241	883	118	112	101	392	160
<u>The state of the UK economy</u>																						
Better	712 35%	619 36%	55 31%	21 26%	69 31%	65 36%	62 35%	57 40%	37 37%	73 37%	87 33%	118 42%	67 37%	345 31%	271 31%	74 31%	367 42%	25 21%	35 31%	41 40%	231 59%	35 22%
No change	692 35%	591 34%	69 38%	35 43%	71 32%	57 32%	73 41%	39 28%	32 32%	77 39%	87 33%	84 30%	68 38%	440 39%	352 40%	88 36%	253 29%	40 34%	37 33%	17 17%	97 25%	62 39%
Worse	602 30%	515 30%	57 31%	25 31%	81 37%	59 33%	45 25%	45 32%	31 30%	50 25%	87 33%	80 28%	45 25%	339 30%	260 29%	79 33%	263 30%	53 45%	41 36%	43 42%	64 16%	63 39%
<u>Your personal financial situation</u>																						
Better	306 15%	263 15%	28 16%	10 12%	32 15%	29 16%	21 12%	23 16%	14 14%	30 15%	46 18%	42 15%	30 17%	223 20%	188 21%	36 15%	83 9%	7 6%	18 16%	4 4%	41 10%	14 9%
No change	897 45%	774 45%	77 43%	38 47%	104 47%	74 41%	81 45%	68 49%	45 45%	92 46%	110 42%	120 43%	87 48%	466 42%	367 42%	99 41%	431 49%	20 17%	39 35%	45 44%	257 66%	70 44%
Worse	803 40%	687 40%	75 42%	33 41%	84 38%	78 43%	78 43%	49 35%	41 40%	79 39%	105 40%	118 42%	63 35%	434 39%	328 37%	106 44%	369 42%	92 78%	55 49%	52 52%	94 24%	76 48%
<u>Your job security</u>																						
Better	197 10%	175 10%	11 6%	6 7%	29 13%	19 10%	6 3%	14 10%	10 10%	15 8%	32 12%	31 11%	23 13%	178 16%	147 17%	31 13%	19 2%	3 3%	10 9%	- -	- -	6 4%
No change	1316 66%	1122 65%	124 69%	53 65%	137 62%	122 67%	122 68%	96 68%	70 70%	137 68%	153 59%	186 66%	117 65%	614 55%	475 54%	139 58%	702 80%	56 47%	67 60%	86 85%	380 97%	113 71%
Worse	494 25%	428 25%	45 25%	22 27%	55 25%	40 22%	53 29%	30 22%	20 20%	48 24%	75 29%	64 23%	41 23%	332 30%	261 30%	70 29%	162 18%	59 50%	35 31%	15 15%	12 3%	40 25%

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	Total	England	Scotland	North East	North West	Yorkshire & Humberside	West Midlands	East Midlands	Wales	East-ern	London	South East	South West	NET: Working	Work-ing full time	Work-ing 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
Weighted base	2006	1725	181	80	221	181	181	140	100	201	261	281	181	1123	883	241	883	118	112	101	392	160
<u>Anti-social behaviour in my neighbourhood</u>																						
Better	194 10%	174 10%	14 8%	11 14%	23 11%	12 7%	15 8%	21 15%	6 6%	15 7%	38 15%	24 8%	15 8%	97 9%	79 9%	18 7%	96 11%	16 13%	15 13%	12 12%	29 8%	24 15%
No change	1395 70%	1176 68%	135 75%	48 60%	147 67%	133 74%	135 75%	97 69%	84 84%	146 73%	142 54%	191 68%	137 76%	777 69%	607 69%	170 71%	618 70%	69 58%	70 62%	65 65%	319 81%	95 60%
Worse	417 21%	375 22%	32 18%	21 26%	51 23%	36 20%	31 17%	22 15%	11 11%	40 20%	81 31%	66 24%	28 16%	249 22%	196 22%	53 22%	168 19%	34 29%	27 24%	23 23%	44 11%	40 25%
<u>Crime</u>																						
Better	211 11%	189 11%	14 8%	10 12%	35 16%	17 9%	21 12%	25 18%	8 8%	16 8%	33 13%	22 8%	10 6%	109 10%	86 10%	22 9%	102 12%	14 12%	12 11%	9 9%	52 13%	16 10%
No change	1206 60%	1030 60%	119 66%	46 58%	113 51%	110 61%	110 61%	88 63%	57 57%	128 64%	129 50%	177 63%	128 71%	700 62%	555 63%	145 60%	506 57%	58 49%	61 54%	52 51%	252 64%	84 52%
Worse	589 29%	507 29%	47 26%	24 30%	73 33%	53 30%	49 27%	28 20%	35 35%	56 28%	98 38%	83 29%	42 23%	315 28%	241 27%	74 31%	274 31%	47 40%	39 35%	40 40%	87 22%	60 38%
<u>Social disorder in some communities around the country</u>																						
Better	160 8%	139 8%	15 8%	10 12%	19 9%	11 6%	17 10%	15 11%	6 6%	13 7%	22 9%	20 7%	11 6%	87 8%	71 8%	16 7%	72 8%	14 12%	15 13%	7 7%	30 8%	7 4%
No change	990 49%	844 49%	98 54%	37 46%	105 48%	83 46%	102 57%	71 51%	48 48%	99 49%	121 46%	132 47%	93 52%	578 51%	461 52%	117 49%	412 47%	43 36%	56 50%	39 39%	206 53%	68 43%
Worse	856 43%	742 43%	68 37%	33 42%	96 44%	86 48%	61 34%	54 39%	46 46%	89 44%	117 45%	129 46%	76 42%	458 41%	350 40%	107 45%	399 45%	62 52%	41 36%	55 55%	155 40%	85 53%

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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	Private
Unweighted base	2006	926	1080	219	354	334	342	304	453	595	593	325	493	267	757
Weighted base	2006	983	1023	238	338	338	358	298	437	536	556	437	477	303	820
<u>I am worried that another recession would have a severe impact on me and my family</u>															
Agree	1354 68%	620 63%	735 72%	153 64%	243 72%	231 68%	253 71%	219 74%	254 58%	351 65%	350 63%	304 70%	349 73%	225 74%	546 67%
Disagree	289 14%	172 17%	117 11%	33 14%	37 11%	39 12%	53 15%	30 10%	97 22%	90 17%	105 19%	50 11%	44 9%	43 14%	101 12%
Don't know	363 18%	192 20%	171 17%	53 22%	58 17%	67 20%	51 14%	49 16%	85 20%	96 18%	101 18%	83 19%	83 17%	35 12%	173 21%
<u>The debt crisis in Europe is putting the UK economy in danger</u>															
Agree	1339 67%	667 68%	672 66%	140 59%	224 66%	220 65%	242 68%	196 66%	316 72%	370 69%	366 66%	282 64%	320 67%	183 60%	543 66%
Disagree	218 11%	136 14%	82 8%	25 10%	37 11%	28 8%	33 9%	40 13%	56 13%	62 12%	56 10%	51 12%	49 10%	40 13%	88 11%
Don't know	449 22%	179 18%	269 26%	73 31%	77 23%	90 27%	82 23%	62 21%	64 15%	104 19%	134 24%	105 24%	107 22%	81 27%	189 23%
<u>If the British economy doesn't pick up very soon, the Government should reconsider its planned programme of spending cuts</u>															
Agree	1117 56%	505 51%	613 60%	123 52%	202 60%	196 58%	201 56%	183 62%	212 48%	303 57%	278 50%	239 55%	297 62%	180 59%	438 53%
Disagree	462 23%	296 30%	166 16%	42 18%	53 16%	49 14%	81 23%	67 22%	170 39%	154 29%	149 27%	79 18%	80 17%	56 19%	181 22%
Don't know	427 21%	183 19%	244 24%	74 31%	83 25%	93 27%	75 21%	48 16%	55 13%	79 15%	130 23%	119 27%	99 21%	66 22%	201 25%

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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	Private
Weighted base	2006	983	1023	238	338	338	358	298	437	536	556	437	477	303	820
<u>In the current financial situation, the Government is more concerned with protecting the banks than the British public</u>															
Agree	1187 59%	574 58%	612 60%	140 59%	220 65%	203 60%	210 59%	195 66%	218 50%	290 54%	310 56%	268 61%	318 67%	214 71%	463 56%
Disagree	384 19%	237 24%	147 14%	28 12%	38 11%	44 13%	74 21%	58 19%	142 32%	131 24%	113 20%	69 16%	71 15%	38 12%	146 18%
Don't know	436 22%	172 17%	264 26%	70 29%	79 23%	90 27%	75 21%	45 15%	77 18%	116 22%	133 24%	100 23%	88 18%	51 17%	211 26%
<u>The Government is in control of the economy</u>															
Agree	622 31%	333 34%	289 28%	64 27%	95 28%	83 25%	112 31%	85 28%	182 42%	189 35%	193 35%	115 26%	125 26%	84 28%	248 30%
Disagree	888 44%	441 45%	447 44%	90 38%	152 45%	168 50%	161 45%	160 54%	157 36%	222 41%	227 41%	203 47%	236 49%	151 50%	357 43%
Don't know	496 25%	209 21%	287 28%	84 35%	91 27%	86 26%	84 23%	53 18%	97 22%	125 23%	136 24%	119 27%	116 24%	68 22%	216 26%

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Q.4 Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?**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
Unweighted base	2006	1732	166	85	238	186	186	140	108	168	247	303	179	1024	679	345	982	136	132	99	429	186
Weighted base	2006	1725	181	80	221	181	181	140	100	201	261	281	181	1123	883	241	883	118	112	101	392	160
<u>I am worried that another recession would have a severe impact on me and my family</u>																						
Agree	1354 68%	1150 67%	135 75%	53 66%	158 71%	131 72%	132 73%	90 64%	69 69%	127 63%	154 59%	201 71%	105 58%	771 69%	594 67%	176 73%	584 66%	93 78%	75 67%	71 71%	220 56%	125 78%
Disagree	289 14%	254 15%	19 10%	8 10%	27 12%	28 15%	25 14%	23 16%	16 16%	37 19%	36 14%	36 13%	35 19%	144 13%	112 13%	32 13%	144 16%	13 11%	17 15%	10 10%	92 24%	12 8%
Don't know	363 18%	322 19%	26 15%	19 24%	36 16%	22 12%	24 14%	28 20%	15 15%	36 18%	70 27%	44 16%	41 23%	209 19%	176 20%	33 14%	154 18%	13 11%	20 18%	19 19%	79 20%	23 15%
<u>The debt crisis in Europe is putting the UK economy in danger</u>																						
Agree	1339 67%	1159 67%	115 64%	50 63%	153 69%	125 69%	122 67%	102 73%	65 65%	136 68%	156 60%	203 72%	111 62%	726 65%	565 64%	161 67%	613 69%	81 68%	69 62%	76 76%	284 72%	103 64%
Disagree	218 11%	187 11%	21 11%	12 15%	22 10%	14 8%	25 14%	11 8%	10 10%	17 8%	33 13%	27 10%	26 14%	128 11%	102 12%	25 11%	90 10%	11 9%	13 11%	9 8%	48 12%	10 6%
Don't know	449 22%	379 22%	45 25%	18 22%	46 21%	42 23%	33 18%	27 19%	24 24%	48 24%	72 28%	51 18%	43 24%	270 24%	216 24%	54 22%	179 20%	26 22%	30 27%	16 16%	60 15%	47 30%
<u>If the British economy doesn't pick up very soon, the Government should reconsider its planned programme of spending cuts</u>																						
Agree	1117 56%	952 55%	112 62%	54 67%	136 62%	102 56%	100 55%	71 51%	54 53%	95 47%	130 50%	162 58%	102 57%	618 55%	483 55%	135 56%	499 57%	86 73%	64 58%	66 66%	184 47%	99 62%
Disagree	462 23%	400 23%	35 19%	12 14%	43 20%	43 24%	47 26%	35 25%	27 27%	59 29%	59 23%	69 24%	33 18%	237 21%	188 21%	50 21%	224 25%	11 9%	17 16%	19 19%	153 39%	23 15%
Don't know	427 21%	373 22%	34 19%	15 19%	41 19%	36 20%	34 19%	34 24%	19 19%	47 23%	72 28%	50 18%	45 25%	268 24%	211 24%	56 23%	159 18%	22 18%	30 27%	15 15%	55 14%	38 23%

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	Region													Which of the following best describes your current working status?								
	Total	England	Scot-land	North East	North West	York-shire & Humb-erside	West Mid-lands	East Mid-lands	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	2006	1725	181	80	221	181	181	140	100	201	261	281	181	1123	883	241	883	118	112	101	392	160
<u>In the current financial situation, the Government is more concerned with protecting the banks than the British public</u>																						
Agree	1187 59%	1009 58%	118 65%	57 71%	148 67%	104 57%	113 63%	78 56%	60 60%	105 53%	148 57%	157 56%	98 54%	677 60%	541 61%	137 57%	509 58%	89 75%	60 54%	67 66%	189 48%	104 65%
Disagree	384 19%	338 20%	27 15%	8 10%	39 18%	42 23%	30 16%	33 24%	19 19%	45 22%	43 17%	67 24%	32 18%	184 16%	136 15%	48 20%	200 23%	18 15%	15 14%	18 18%	133 34%	16 10%
Don't know	436 22%	379 22%	35 20%	16 20%	34 15%	35 19%	38 21%	29 21%	21 21%	50 25%	69 27%	57 20%	51 28%	263 23%	207 23%	56 23%	173 20%	11 9%	36 33%	16 16%	69 18%	40 25%
<u>The Government is in control of the economy</u>																						
Agree	622 31%	530 31%	55 30%	20 25%	60 27%	56 31%	50 28%	51 37%	37 37%	56 28%	86 33%	95 34%	56 31%	332 30%	255 29%	77 32%	290 33%	21 17%	31 28%	34 34%	161 41%	43 27%
Disagree	888 44%	745 43%	96 53%	38 48%	101 46%	87 48%	86 47%	56 40%	46 46%	84 42%	98 38%	125 44%	71 39%	507 45%	398 45%	109 45%	381 43%	78 66%	50 45%	43 43%	142 36%	67 42%
Don't know	496 25%	450 26%	29 16%	21 27%	60 27%	38 21%	45 25%	33 23%	17 17%	61 30%	77 30%	61 22%	54 30%	284 25%	230 26%	54 22%	212 24%	19 16%	31 27%	24 23%	89 23%	50 31%