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	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
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Weighted base	2031	995	1036	244	325	386	345	305	427	548	589	426	467	516	536	510	293	176
<u>The state of the UK economy</u>																		
Better	193	131	62	31	40	23	20	28	51	74	54	41	24	53	53	44	31	12
	9%	13%	6%	13%	12%	6%	6%	9%	12%	13%	9%	10%	5%	10%	10%	9%	11%	7%
Worse	1275	574	701	130	188	238	248	209	262	304	358	281	332	290	323	357	181	123
	63%	58%	68%	54%	58%	62%	72%	69%	61%	55%	61%	66%	71%	56%	60%	70%	62%	70%
No change	563	290	273	82	96	125	77	68	115	170	177	104	111	172	160	108	81	41
	28%	29%	26%	34%	30%	32%	22%	22%	27%	31%	30%	24%	24%	33%	30%	21%	28%	23%
<u>Your personal financial situation</u>																		
Better	236	149	87	55	56	40	29	25	31	88	65	52	30	75	63	46	34	18
	12%	15%	8%	22%	17%	10%	8%	8%	7%	16%	11%	12%	6%	14%	12%	9%	12%	10%
Worse	888	402	486	104	129	189	159	145	162	205	240	197	247	224	216	230	135	85
	44%	40%	47%	43%	40%	49%	46%	48%	38%	37%	41%	46%	53%	43%	40%	45%	46%	48%
No change	907	443	463	85	139	157	157	134	234	255	284	177	190	218	258	234	124	73
	45%	45%	45%	35%	43%	41%	46%	44%	55%	47%	48%	41%	41%	42%	48%	46%	42%	41%
Base: All respondents who work/are looking for work/students	1335	719	615	222	285	338	271	166	52	365	445	291	234	368	340	328	193	107
<u>Your job security in the future</u>																		
Better	131	84	47	33	34	33	22	4	4	50	38	26	17	49	32	25	17	7
	10%	12%	8%	15%	12%	10%	8%	2%	7%	14%	8%	9%	7%	13%	9%	8%	9%	7%
Worse	420	207	214	68	99	107	88	54	4	110	137	82	91	113	90	123	56	38
	31%	29%	35%	31%	35%	32%	33%	32%	8%	30%	31%	28%	39%	31%	26%	38%	29%	35%
No change	784	429	355	121	151	198	161	108	44	205	270	183	126	205	218	179	119	62
	59%	60%	58%	54%	53%	59%	59%	65%	85%	56%	61%	63%	54%	56%	64%	55%	62%	58%

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Better	193 9%	12 7%	9 10%	17 7%	18 10%	18 10%	11 10%	20 10%	34 13%	20 8%	20 11%	15 10%
Worse	1275 63%	123 70%	64 70%	169 71%	124 69%	109 58%	66 61%	118 62%	139 54%	151 58%	115 62%	96 61%
No change	563 28%	41 23%	19 21%	52 22%	37 21%	60 32%	31 28%	53 28%	83 32%	90 34%	50 27%	47 30%
<u>Your personal financial situation</u>												
Better	236 12%	18 10%	11 12%	24 10%	11 6%	27 14%	16 15%	19 10%	47 18%	28 11%	18 10%	17 11%
Worse	888 44%	85 48%	48 53%	100 42%	82 46%	77 41%	48 45%	83 44%	118 46%	106 41%	86 47%	55 35%
No change	907 45%	73 41%	32 35%	115 48%	87 48%	84 45%	43 40%	88 46%	91 36%	127 49%	81 44%	86 54%
Base: All respondents who work/are looking for work/students	1335	107	59	144	124	118	74	123	198	169	118	99
<u>Your job security in the future</u>												
Better	131 10%	7 7%	8 13%	7 5%	10 8%	9 7%	12 16%	14 11%	34 17%	15 9%	5 5%	10 10%
Worse	420 31%	38 35%	26 44%	61 43%	36 29%	38 32%	29 39%	23 19%	63 32%	50 30%	27 23%	29 29%
No change	784 59%	62 58%	26 44%	76 53%	78 63%	72 61%	34 45%	86 70%	101 51%	104 61%	86 72%	60 61%

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<u>My personal financial situation</u>																		
More worried	974	423	550	114	161	221	184	139	155	231	262	217	264	251	231	259	150	83
	48%	43%	53%	47%	50%	57%	53%	46%	36%	42%	44%	51%	56%	49%	43%	51%	51%	47%
Less worried	209	128	81	43	51	30	30	19	36	70	64	37	38	67	51	50	24	17
	10%	13%	8%	18%	16%	8%	9%	6%	9%	13%	11%	9%	8%	13%	10%	10%	8%	10%
No difference	848	444	404	87	113	134	131	147	236	247	263	172	165	198	254	200	120	76
	42%	45%	39%	36%	35%	35%	38%	48%	55%	45%	45%	40%	35%	38%	47%	39%	41%	43%
<u>My family's future</u>																		
More worried	874	350	525	86	138	185	159	137	168	209	238	204	224	214	209	249	120	82
	43%	35%	51%	35%	43%	48%	46%	45%	39%	38%	40%	48%	48%	41%	39%	49%	41%	46%
Less worried	199	110	88	30	49	33	32	18	36	67	58	34	40	53	54	45	24	22
	10%	11%	9%	12%	15%	8%	9%	6%	9%	12%	10%	8%	9%	10%	10%	9%	8%	13%
No difference	958	535	423	127	138	168	154	149	222	273	293	188	204	249	272	215	149	72
	47%	54%	41%	52%	42%	44%	45%	49%	52%	50%	50%	44%	44%	48%	51%	42%	51%	41%
<u>The state of the economy</u>																		
More worried	1173	527	646	117	149	236	228	191	253	283	311	267	312	283	292	311	167	120
	58%	53%	62%	48%	46%	61%	66%	63%	59%	52%	53%	63%	67%	55%	54%	61%	57%	68%
Less worried	186	123	63	25	45	24	24	24	45	66	52	40	28	58	51	35	26	16
	9%	12%	6%	10%	14%	6%	7%	8%	10%	12%	9%	9%	6%	11%	9%	7%	9%	9%
No difference	672	345	327	102	131	126	93	90	129	200	225	120	127	175	193	164	100	40
	33%	35%	32%	42%	40%	33%	27%	30%	30%	36%	38%	28%	27%	34%	36%	32%	34%	23%
<u>Anti-social behaviour in my neighbourhood</u>																		
More worried	428	202	226	45	83	92	73	61	74	94	125	98	110	114	104	117	53	40
	21%	20%	22%	18%	26%	24%	21%	20%	17%	17%	21%	23%	23%	22%	19%	23%	18%	23%
Less worried	194	115	79	34	39	35	31	21	35	57	43	46	48	55	45	49	23	22
	10%	12%	8%	14%	12%	9%	9%	7%	8%	10%	7%	11%	10%	11%	8%	10%	8%	13%
No difference	1410	678	731	165	203	259	242	223	318	397	421	283	310	348	387	344	217	114
	69%	68%	71%	68%	63%	67%	70%	73%	74%	72%	71%	66%	66%	67%	72%	67%	74%	65%

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Crime																		
More worried	619 30%	290 29%	329 32%	64 26%	98 30%	122 32%	104 30%	98 32%	134 31%	130 24%	171 29%	139 33%	179 38%	148 29%	159 30%	164 32%	86 29%	62 35%
Less worried	142 7%	84 8%	58 6%	26 11%	29 9%	24 6%	24 7%	17 6%	22 5%	47 9%	38 6%	32 7%	25 5%	45 9%	33 6%	36 7%	17 6%	12 7%
No difference	1269 63%	621 62%	649 63%	154 63%	197 61%	240 62%	218 63%	190 62%	271 64%	371 68%	380 65%	255 60%	263 56%	324 63%	344 64%	309 61%	190 65%	103 58%
The threat of social disorder in some communities around the country																		
More worried	865 43%	422 42%	443 43%	71 29%	106 33%	150 39%	146 42%	167 55%	225 53%	222 40%	222 38%	202 47%	218 47%	206 40%	212 40%	235 46%	127 43%	85 48%
Less worried	105 5%	65 7%	40 4%	27 11%	23 7%	18 5%	17 5%	8 3%	12 3%	27 5%	27 5%	23 5%	29 6%	34 6%	25 5%	29 6%	11 4%	6 3%
No difference	1061 52%	508 51%	554 53%	146 60%	196 60%	218 57%	182 53%	130 43%	190 44%	300 55%	340 58%	201 47%	220 47%	277 54%	299 56%	246 48%	154 53%	85 48%

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More worried	974 48%	83 47%	47 52%	119 50%	93 52%	89 47%	52 48%	78 41%	136 53%	115 44%	98 53%	64 40%
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No difference	1410 69%	114 65%	60 65%	165 69%	119 67%	134 71%	67 63%	146 77%	151 59%	196 75%	150 81%	107 68%

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More worried	865 43%	85 48%	38 42%	119 50%	77 43%	78 41%	52 48%	78 41%	107 42%	98 38%	75 41%	57 36%
Less worried	105 5%	6 3%	3 3%	12 5%	14 8%	9 5%	6 5%	8 4%	24 9%	9 4%	6 3%	8 5%
No difference	1061 52%	85 48%	51 55%	107 45%	88 49%	101 54%	50 46%	105 55%	124 49%	153 59%	104 56%	93 59%

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Yes, I am	1000 49%	434 44%	566 55%	118 48%	173 53%	216 56%	182 53%	156 51%	156 37%	246 45%	267 45%	235 55%	253 54%	247 48%	260 48%	264 52%	141 48%	88 50%
No, I am not	828 41%	492 49%	336 32%	101 41%	114 35%	135 35%	124 36%	121 40%	234 55%	267 49%	258 44%	146 34%	157 34%	220 43%	234 44%	189 37%	122 42%	63 36%
Don't know	203 10%	69 7%	133 13%	25 10%	38 12%	35 9%	39 11%	28 9%	37 9%	35 6%	65 11%	45 11%	58 12%	49 9%	42 8%	57 11%	30 10%	24 14%

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Yes, I am	1000 49%	88 50%	43 47%	131 55%	90 50%	93 49%	51 47%	91 48%	125 49%	123 47%	90 48%	76 48%
No, I am not	828 41%	63 36%	35 38%	84 35%	69 39%	82 43%	47 44%	89 47%	99 39%	121 46%	75 40%	64 40%
Don't know	203 10%	24 14%	14 15%	23 10%	20 11%	14 7%	10 9%	10 5%	32 12%	17 7%	20 11%	18 12%