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|                             | Total     | Male     | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34      | 35-44     | 45-54       | 55-64     | 65+       | AB  | C1       | C2    | DE  | Public        | Pri-<br>vate |
| Unweighted base             | 2057      | 916      | 1141       | 224        | 336        | 396       | 374         | 332       | 395       | 722 | 542      | 315   | 478 | 311           | 784          |
| Weighted base               | 2057      | 1008     | 1049       | 247        | 329        | 391       | 350         | 309       | 432       | 555 | 597      | 432   | 473 | 306           | 846          |
| The Government has got the  | right bal | ance bet | ween spe   | ending cu  | its and pi | omoting   | econom      | ic growth |           |     |          |       |     |               |              |
| Agree                       | 554       | 337      | 218        | 38         | 77         | 95        | 76          | 84        | 184       | 191 | 154      | 112   | 97  | 64            | 229          |
|                             | 27%       | 33%      | 21%        | 16%        | 23%        | 24%       | 22%         | 27%       | 43%       | 34% | 26%      | 26%   | 21% | 21%           | 27%          |
| Disagree                    | 1071      | 502      | 569        | 140        | 162        | 210       | 205         | 184       | 170       | 271 | 318      | 220   | 262 | 195           | 434          |
|                             | 52%       | 50%      | 54%        | 57%        | 49%        | 54%       | 58%         | 60%       | 39%       | 49% | 53%      | 51%   | 55% | 64%           | 51%          |
| Don't know                  | 432       | 169      | 262        | 68         | 90         | 85        | 69          | 41        | 79        | 93  | 124      | 101   | 114 | 48            | 183          |
|                             | 21%       | 17%      | 25%        | 28%        | 27%        | 22%       | 20%         | 13%       | 18%       | 17% | 21%      | 23%   | 24% | 16%           | 22%          |
| The Government is in contro | of the e  | conomy   |            |            |            |           |             |           |           |     |          |       |     |               |              |
| Agree                       | 581       | 327      | 254        | 64         | 92         | 106       | 79          | 88        | 152       | 174 | 165      | 125   | 116 | 75            | 241          |
|                             | 28%       | 32%      | 24%        | 26%        | 28%        | 27%       | 23%         | 28%       | 35%       | 31% | 28%      | 29%   | 24% | 24%           | 28%          |
| Disagree                    | 1133      | 538      | 595        | 131        | 180        | 222       | 203         | 192       | 206       | 297 | 335      | 231   | 271 | 191           | 462          |
|                             | 55%       | 53%      | 57%        | 53%        | 55%        | 57%       | 58%         | 62%       | 48%       | 53% | 56%      | 53%   | 57% | 62%           | 55%          |
| Don't know                  | 343       | 143      | 200        | 52         | 58         | 64        | 68          | 29        | 73        | 84  | 97       | 76    | 87  | 40            | 143          |
|                             | 17%       | 14%      | 19%        | 21%        | 18%        | 16%       | 19%         | 9%        | 17%       | 15% | 16%      | 18%   | 18% | 13%           | 17%          |
| I expect the Government's B | udget nex | t week t | o look aft | er the ric | h more t   | han it wi | ll look aft | er the po | <u>or</u> |     |          |       |     |               |              |
| Agree                       | 1204      | 569      | 635        | 129        | 189        | 237       | 240         | 200       | 208       | 278 | 348      | 272   | 306 | 196           | 501          |
|                             | 59%       | 56%      | 61%        | 52%        | 57%        | 61%       | 69%         | 65%       | 48%       | 50% | 58%      | 63%   | 65% | 64%           | 59%          |
| Disagree                    | 477       | 270      | 207        | 47         | 71         | 86        | 60          | 63        | 150       | 184 | 141      | 74    | 78  | 67            | 185          |
|                             | 23%       | 27%      | 20%        | 19%        | 22%        | 22%       | 17%         | 20%       | 35%       | 33% | 24%      | 17%   | 16% | 22%           | 22%          |
| Don't know                  | 376       | 169      | 207        | 71         | 69         | 67        | 49          | 45        | 74        | 93  | 108      | 86    | 89  | 44            | 160          |
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|                             | Total       | Male      | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34     | 35-44      | 45-54     | 55-64    | 65+ | AB  | <u>C1</u> | C2    | DE  | Public        | Pri-<br>vate |
| Weighted base               | 2057        | 1008      | 1049       | 247        | 329       | 391        | 350       | 309      | 432 | 555 | 597       | 432   | 473 | 306           | 846          |
| The Government is in touch  | with the    | economi   | c needs o  | f the Brit | ish publi | <u>c</u>   |           |          |     |     |           |       |     |               |              |
| Agree                       | 517         | 302       | 215        | 48         | 90        | 82         | 64        | 77       | 156 | 179 | 138       | 108   | 92  | 53            | 223          |
|                             | 25%         | 30%       | 21%        | 20%        | 27%       | 21%        | 18%       | 25%      | 36% | 32% | 23%       | 25%   | 19% | 17%           | 26%          |
| Disagree                    | 1264        | 590       | 675        | 150        | 190       | 253        | 237       | 202      | 233 | 304 | 373       | 273   | 315 | 217           | 507          |
|                             | 61%         | 58%       | 64%        | 61%        | 58%       | 65%        | 68%       | 65%      | 54% | 55% | 62%       | 63%   | 67% | 71%           | 60%          |
| Don't know                  | 275         | 117       | 159        | 49         | 49        | 56         | 50        | 30       | 42  | 73  | 86        | 51    | 66  | 36            | 115          |
|                             | 13%         | 12%       | 15%        | 20%        | 15%       | 14%        | 14%       | 10%      | 10% | 13% | 14%       | 12%   | 14% | 12%           | 14%          |
| I expect the Government's I | Budget nex  | kt week t | o be in th | e best in  | terests o | f the Brit | ish publi | <u>c</u> |     |     |           |       |     |               |              |
| Agree                       | 633         | 365       | 268        | 69         | 92        | 112        | 82        | 89       | 189 | 218 | 173       | 124   | 119 | 73            | 246          |
|                             | 31%         | 36%       | 26%        | 28%        | 28%       | 29%        | 24%       | 29%      | 44% | 39% | 29%       | 29%   | 25% | 24%           | 29%          |
| Disagree                    | 1071        | 501       | 569        | 116        | 167       | 203        | 220       | 181      | 184 | 252 | 316       | 232   | 271 | 189           | 437          |
|                             | 52%         | 50%       | 54%        | 47%        | 51%       | 52%        | 63%       | 59%      | 43% | 45% | 53%       | 54%   | 57% | 62%           | 52%          |
| Don't know                  | 353         | 142       | 211        | 62         | 70        | 76         | 47        | 39       | 59  | 86  | 107       | 77    | 84  | 43            | 163          |
|                             | 17%         | 14%       | 20%        | 25%        | 21%       | 19%        | 14%       | 13%      | 14% | 15% | 18%       | 18%   | 18% | 14%           | 19%          |
| George Osborne understan    | ds the fina | ncial co  | ncerns of  | ordinary   | people    |            |           |          |     |     |           |       |     |               |              |
| Agree                       | 403         | 244       | 158        | 41         | 65        | 67         | 40        | 60       | 129 | 131 | 105       | 96    | 70  | 46            | 169          |
|                             | 20%         | 24%       | 15%        | 17%        | 20%       | 17%        | 12%       | 19%      | 30% | 24% | 18%       | 22%   | 15% | 15%           | 20%          |
| Disagree                    | 1191        | 589       | 602        | 107        | 170       | 238        | 238       | 213      | 226 | 313 | 349       | 257   | 272 | 207           | 488          |
|                             | 58%         | 58%       | 57%        | 43%        | 51%       | 61%        | 68%       | 69%      | 52% | 56% | 59%       | 59%   | 57% | 68%           | 58%          |
| Don't know                  | 463         | 175       | 288        | 99         | 95        | 86         | 71        | 36       | 76  | 111 | 142       | 79    | 131 | 53            | 189          |
|                             | 23%         | 17%       | 27%        | 40%        | 29%       | 22%        | 20%       | 12%      | 18% | 20% | 24%       | 18%   | 28% | 17%           | 22%          |





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|--------------------------------|--------------|-----------|------------|--------|------------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----|--------|-------|-----|---------------|--------------|
|                                | <u>Total</u> | Male      | Female     | 18-24  | 25-34      | 35-44    | 45-54     | 55-64     | 65+       | AB  | C1     | C2    | DE  | Public        | Pri-<br>vate |
| Weighted base                  | 2057         | 1008      | 1049       | 247    | 329        | 391      | 350       | 309       | 432       | 555 | 597    | 432   | 473 | 306           | 846          |
| I expect to be worse off after | r next wee   | k's Bud   | get        |        |            |          |           |           |           |     |        |       |     |               |              |
| Agree                          | 1325         | 640       | 684        | 129    | 207        | 260      | 267       | 218       | 243       | 338 | 373    | 297   | 317 | 216           | 538          |
|                                | 64%          | 64%       | 65%        | 52%    | 63%        | 67%      | 76%       | 71%       | 56%       | 61% | 63%    | 69%   | 67% | 71%           | 64%          |
| Disagree                       | 327          | 193       | 133        | 45     | 51         | 66       | 33        | 46        | 86        | 108 | 103    | 62    | 53  | 53            | 135          |
|                                | 16%          | 19%       | 13%        | 18%    | 16%        | 17%      | 9%        | 15%       | 20%       | 20% | 17%    | 14%   | 11% | 17%           | 16%          |
| Don't know                     | 406          | 174       | 231        | 73     | 71         | 65       | 50        | 45        | 103       | 109 | 120    | 73    | 103 | 36            | 173          |
|                                | 20%          | 17%       | 22%        | 30%    | 21%        | 17%      | 14%       | 14%       | 24%       | 20% | 20%    | 17%   | 22% | 12%           | 20%          |
| The Government's economic      | c policies   | are putti | ng Britair | on the | right path | to highe | er econor | nic growt | <u>th</u> |     |        |       |     |               |              |
| Agree                          | 641          | 399       | 242        | 47     | 91         | 105      | 89        | 102       | 206       | 221 | 170    | 143   | 106 | 84            | 254          |
|                                | 31%          | 40%       | 23%        | 19%    | 28%        | 27%      | 26%       | 33%       | 48%       | 40% | 29%    | 33%   | 22% | 27%           | 30%          |
| Disagree                       | 945          | 435       | 510        | 115    | 155        | 188      | 179       | 166       | 143       | 230 | 283    | 194   | 238 | 168           | 390          |
|                                | 46%          | 43%       | 49%        | 47%    | 47%        | 48%      | 51%       | 54%       | 33%       | 41% | 47%    | 45%   | 50% | 55%           | 46%          |
| Don't know                     | 471          | 174       | 297        | 84     | 84         | 98       | 82        | 41        | 83        | 104 | 143    | 95    | 129 | 54            | 202          |
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|-----------------------------|---------------|------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------|--------------|--------|---------------|---------------|----------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|--------------------------------|
|                             | _Total_       | Scot-      | North<br>East | North<br>West | York-<br>shire &<br>Humb-<br>erside | West<br>Mid-<br>lands | East<br>Mid-<br>lands | Wales     | East-<br>ern | London | South<br>East | South<br>West | NET:<br>Work-<br>ing | Work-<br>ing<br>full<br>time | Work-<br>ing<br>part<br>time | NET:<br>Not<br>work-<br>ing | Not<br>working<br>seeking<br>work | Not<br>working<br>and not<br>seeking<br>work | Retired<br>on a<br>state<br>pension<br>only | Retired with a private pension |
| Unweighted base             | 2057          | 165        | 96            | 252           | 174                                 | 194                   | 167                   | 92        | 173          | 244    | 300           | 200           | 1095                 | 735                          | 360                          | 962                         | 148                               | 122  | 111   | 370                            |
| Weighted base               | 2057          | 179        | 93            | 242           | 181                                 | 190                   | 160                   | 109       | 193          | 259    | 264           | 188           | 1152                 | 905                          | 247                          | 905                         | 124                               | 118  | 124   | 362                            |
| The Government has got the  | e right balar | nce betwe  | en spendiı    | ng cuts an    | d promotir                          | ng econon             | nic growth            | <u>l</u>  |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |   |                                |
| Agree                       | 554           | 29         | 27            | 55            | 57                                  | 51                    | 55                    | 17        | 61           | 85     | 67            | 50            | 292                  | 238                          | 54                           | 262                         | 22                                | 19   | 31  | 157                            |
|                             | 27%           | 16%        | 29%           | 23%           | 32%                                 | 27%                   | 34%                   | 16%       | 32%          | 33%    | 25%           | 27%           | 25%                  | 26%                          | 22%                          | 29%                         | 18%                               | 16%  | 25%   | 44%                            |
| Disagree                    | 1071          | 111        | 48            | 129           | 86                                  | 95                    | 89                    | 71        | 97           | 108    | 139           | 99            | 629                  | 492                          | 137                          | 442                         | 72                                | 63   | 70  | 133                            |
|                             | 52%           | 62%        | 52%           | 53%           | 47%                                 | 50%                   | 55%                   | 66%       | 50%          | 42%    | 53%           | 53%           | 55%                  | 54%                          | 56%                          | 49%                         | 58%                               | 53%  | 57%   | 37%                            |
| Don't know                  | 432           | 38         | 18            | 58            | 38                                  | 44                    | 17                    | 20        | 35           | 66     | 58            | 39            | 231                  | 175                          | 55                           | 201                         | 29                                | 36   | 23  | 71                             |
|                             | 21%           | 21%        | 19%           | 24%           | 21%                                 | 23%                   | 10%                   | 19%       | 18%          | 26%    | 22%           | 21%           | 20%                  | 19%                          | 22%                          | 22%                         | 24%                               | 30%  | 18%   | 20%                            |
| The Government is in contro | ol of the eco | onomy      |               |               |                                     |                       |                       |           |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |   |                                |
| Agree                       | 581           | 32         | 23            | 55            | 57                                  | 60                    | 56                    | 22        | 62           | 87     | 73            | 54            | 315                  | 246                          | 69                           | 265                         | 30                                | 29   | 27  | 139                            |
|                             | 28%           | 18%        | 25%           | 23%           | 32%                                 | 31%                   | 35%                   | 20%       | 32%          | 34%    | 28%           | 29%           | 27%                  | 27%                          | 28%                          | 29%                         | 24%                               | 25%  | 22%   | 38%                            |
| Disagree                    | 1133          | 123        | 55            | 139           | 88                                  | 105                   | 85                    | 71        | 99           | 117    | 147           | 105           | 653                  | 521                          | 132                          | 480                         | 70                                | 67   | 80  | 161                            |
|                             | 55%           | 69%        | 59%           | 57%           | 49%                                 | 55%                   | 53%                   | 65%       | 51%          | 45%    | 56%           | 56%           | 57%                  | 58%                          | 53%                          | 53%                         | 57%                               | 57%  | 64%   | 44%                            |
| Don't know                  | 343           | 24         | 15            | 48            | 36                                  | 26                    | 19                    | 16        | 32           | 55     | 44            | 29            | 184                  | 138                          | 46                           | 160                         | 24                                | 22   | 17  | 62                             |
|                             | 17%           | 14%        | 16%           | 20%           | 20%                                 | 13%                   | 12%                   | 15%       | 16%          | 21%    | 17%           | 15%           | 16%                  | 15%                          | 19%                          | 18%                         | 19%                               | 18%  | 14%   | 17%                            |
| I expect the Government's B | Budget next   | week to le | ook after ti  | he rich mo    | re than it v                        | vill look a           | fter the po           | <u>or</u> |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |   |                                |
| Agree                       | 1204          | 118        | 58            | 162           | 105                                 | 109                   | 97                    | 75        | 105          | 130    | 141           | 104           | 697                  | 553                          | 144                          | 507                         | 78                                | 67   | 85  | 165                            |
|                             | 59%           | 66%        | 62%           | 67%           | 58%                                 | 57%                   | 61%                   | 69%       | 55%          | 50%    | 53%           | 56%           | 61%                  | 61%                          | 58%                          | 56%                         | 63%                               | 57%  | 68%   | 46%                            |
| Disagree                    | 477           | 36         | 23            | 42            | 38                                  | 49                    | 44                    | 17        | 44           | 66     | 69            | 49            | 252                  | 196                          | 56                           | 225                         | 20                                | 19   | 23  | 134                            |
|                             | 23%           | 20%        | 25%           | 17%           | 21%                                 | 26%                   | 28%                   | 16%       | 23%          | 25%    | 26%           | 26%           | 22%                  | 22%                          | 23%                          | 25%                         | 16%                               | 16%  | 19%   | 37%                            |
| Don't know                  | 376           | 25         | 11            | 38            | 39                                  | 33                    | 18                    | 17        | 43           | 63     | 55            | 34            | 203                  | 156                          | 47                           | 172                         | 26                                | 31   | 16  | 62                             |
|                             | 18%           | 14%        | 12%           | 16%           | 21%                                 | 17%                   | 11%                   | 16%       | 22%          | 24%    | 21%           | 18%           | 18%                  | 17%                          | 19%                          | 19%                         | 21%                               | 26%  | 13%   | 17%                            |





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|------------------------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----|--------------|--------|---------------|---------------|----------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|---|
|                              | _Total      | Scot-<br>land | North<br>East | North<br>West | York-<br>shire &<br>Humb-<br>erside | West<br>Mid-<br>lands | East<br>Mid-<br>lands |     | East-<br>ern | London | South<br>East | South<br>West | NET:<br>Work-<br>ing | Work-<br>ing<br>full<br>time | Work-<br>ing<br>part<br>time | NET:<br>Not<br>work-<br>ing | Not<br>working<br>seeking<br>work | Not<br>working<br>and not<br>seeking<br>work | Retired on a state pension only | Retired<br>with a<br>private<br>pension |
| Weighted base                | 2057        | 179           | 93            | 242           | 181                                 | 190                   | 160                   | 109 | 193          | 259    | 264           | 188           | 1152                 | 905                          | 247                          | 905                         | 124                               | 118  | 124                             | 362                                     |
| The Government is in touch   | with the ec | onomic ne     | eds of the    | British p     | <u>ublic</u>                        |                       |                       |     |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |                                 |   |
| Agree                        | 517         | 25            | 25            | 60            | 49                                  | 49                    | 41                    | 12  | 51           | 96     | 62            | 47            | 276                  | 214                          | 62                           | 241                         | 28                                | 18   | 25                              | 141                                     |
|                              | 25%         | 14%           | 27%           | 25%           | 27%                                 | 26%                   | 25%                   | 11% | 26%          | 37%    | 24%           | 25%           | 24%                  | 24%                          | 25%                          | 27%                         | 22%                               | 15%  | 20%                             | 39%                                     |
| Disagree                     | 1264        | 132           | 54            | 149           | 114                                 | 116                   | 101                   | 84  | 108          | 118    | 168           | 119           | 724                  | 570                          | 155                          | 540                         | 78                                | 77   | 88                              | 180                                     |
|                              | 61%         | 74%           | 58%           | 61%           | 63%                                 | 61%                   | 63%                   | 77% | 56%          | 46%    | 64%           | 63%           | 63%                  | 63%                          | 63%                          | 60%                         | 63%                               | 65%  | 71%                             | 50%                                     |
| Don't know                   | 275         | 21            | 14            | 33            | 18                                  | 25                    | 18                    | 13  | 34           | 44     | 34            | 21            | 152                  | 121                          | 30                           | 124                         | 18                                | 23   | 11                              | 41                                      |
|                              | 13%         | 12%           | 15%           | 14%           | 10%                                 | 13%                   | 11%                   | 12% | 18%          | 17%    | 13%           | 11%           | 13%                  | 13%                          | 12%                          | 14%                         | 14%                               | 20%  | 8%                              | 11%                                     |
| I expect the Government's Bu | udget next  | week to b     | e in the be   | est interes   | ts of the B                         | ritish publ           | <u>lic</u>            |     |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |                                 |   |
| Agree                        | 633         | 33            | 29            | 65            | 60                                  | 60                    | 53                    | 16  | 64           | 124    | 76            | 53            | 320                  | 250                          | 70                           | 314                         | 31                                | 31   | 30                              | 177                                     |
|                              | 31%         | 18%           | 31%           | 27%           | 33%                                 | 31%                   | 33%                   | 15% | 33%          | 48%    | 29%           | 28%           | 28%                  | 28%                          | 28%                          | 35%                         | 25%                               | 27%  | 24%                             | 49%                                     |
| Disagree                     | 1071        | 119           | 51            | 123           | 100                                 | 98                    | 86                    | 74  | 92           | 96     | 137           | 96            | 626                  | 494                          | 133                          | 444                         | 72                                | 57   | 71                              | 141                                     |
|                              | 52%         | 66%           | 55%           | 51%           | 55%                                 | 52%                   | 54%                   | 68% | 48%          | 37%    | 52%           | 51%           | 54%                  | 55%                          | 54%                          | 49%                         | 58%                               | 49%  | 57%                             | 39%                                     |
| Don't know                   | 353         | 27            | 13            | 55            | 21                                  | 32                    | 21                    | 19  | 37           | 39     | 51            | 38            | 206                  | 162                          | 44                           | 147                         | 20                                | 29   | 23                              | 43                                      |
|                              | 17%         | 15%           | 14%           | 23%           | 12%                                 | 17%                   | 13%                   | 18% | 19%          | 15%    | 19%           | 20%           | 18%                  | 18%                          | 18%                          | 16%                         | 16%                               | 25%  | 19%                             | 12%                                     |
| George Osborne understand    | s the finan | cial conce    | rns of ord    | inary peop    | <u>ole</u>                          |                       |                       |     |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |                                 |   |
| Agree                        | 403         | 24            | 15            | 39            | 41                                  | 35                    | 36                    | 9   | 43           | 78     | 47            | 38            | 215                  | 170                          | 46                           | 187                         | 18                                | 16   | 21                              | 113                                     |
|                              | 20%         | 13%           | 16%           | 16%           | 22%                                 | 18%                   | 22%                   | 8%  | 22%          | 30%    | 18%           | 20%           | 19%                  | 19%                          | 19%                          | 21%                         | 15%                               | 14%  | 17%                             | 31%                                     |
| Disagree                     | 1191        | 122           | 57            | 145           | 106                                 | 101                   | 97                    | 78  | 101          | 111    | 158           | 115           | 694                  | 554                          | 140                          | 497                         | 67                                | 57   | 78                              | 190                                     |
|                              | 58%         | 68%           | 62%           | 60%           | 58%                                 | 53%                   | 61%                   | 72% | 52%          | 43%    | 60%           | 61%           | 60%                  | 61%                          | 57%                          | 55%                         | 54%                               | 49%  | 63%                             | 52%                                     |
| Don't know                   | 463         | 33            | 21            | 58            | 35                                  | 54                    | 27                    | 22  | 49           | 69     | 60            | 35            | 242                  | 181                          | 61                           | 221                         | 38                                | 44   | 25                              | 59                                      |
|                              | 23%         | 18%           | 22%           | 24%           | 19%                                 | 29%                   | 17%                   | 20% | 25%          | 27%    | 23%           | 19%           | 21%                  | 20%                          | 25%                          | 24%                         | 31%                               | 38%  | 20%                             | 16%                                     |





Table 1

Q.1 Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

Base: All respondents

Which of the following best describes your current working

|                                |             |               |               |               |                                     |                       | Region                |           |              |        |               |               |                      | VVIIIOII C                   | 7 110 1011011                |                             | tus?                              | our ourront                                  | working                         |   |
|--------------------------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------|--------------|--------|---------------|---------------|----------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|---|
|                                | _Total      | Scot-<br>land | North<br>East | North<br>West | York-<br>shire &<br>Humb-<br>erside | West<br>Mid-<br>lands | East<br>Mid-<br>lands | _Wales_   | East-<br>ern | London | South<br>East | South<br>West | NET:<br>Work-<br>ing | Work-<br>ing<br>full<br>time | Work-<br>ing<br>part<br>time | NET:<br>Not<br>work-<br>ing | Not<br>working<br>seeking<br>work | Not<br>working<br>and not<br>seeking<br>work | Retired on a state pension only | Retired<br>with a<br>private<br>pension |
| Weighted base                  | 2057        | 179           | 93            | 242           | 181                                 | 190                   | 160                   | 109       | 193          | 259    | 264           | 188           | 1152                 | 905                          | 247                          | 905                         | 124                               | 118  | 124                             | 362                                     |
| I expect to be worse off after | next week   | 's Budget     |               |               |                                     |                       |                       |           |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |                                 |   |
| Agree                          | 1325        | 116           | 56            | 164           | 123                                 | 117                   | 117                   | 82        | 124          | 133    | 173           | 120           | 754                  | 601                          | 153                          | 571                         | 79                                | 72   | 74                              | 213                                     |
|                                | 64%         | 65%           | 61%           | 68%           | 68%                                 | 62%                   | 73%                   | 75%       | 64%          | 51%    | 66%           | 64%           | 65%                  | 66%                          | 62%                          | 63%                         | 64%                               | 61%  | 60%                             | 59%                                     |
| Disagree                       | 327         | 34            | 21            | 27            | 31                                  | 30                    | 19                    | 11        | 22           | 62     | 40            | 30            | 189                  | 149                          | 40                           | 138                         | 19                                | 15   | 18                              | 74                                      |
|                                | 16%         | 19%           | 22%           | 11%           | 17%                                 | 16%                   | 12%                   | 10%       | 11%          | 24%    | 15%           | 16%           | 16%                  | 16%                          | 16%                          | 15%                         | 16%                               | 12%  | 15%                             | 20%                                     |
| Don't know                     | 406         | 28            | 16            | 52            | 27                                  | 43                    | 24                    | 16        | 47           | 64     | 50            | 38            | 209                  | 156                          | 54                           | 196                         | 25                                | 31   | 32                              | 75                                      |
|                                | 20%         | 16%           | 17%           | 21%           | 15%                                 | 22%                   | 15%                   | 15%       | 24%          | 25%    | 19%           | 20%           | 18%                  | 17%                          | 22%                          | 22%                         | 21%                               | 26%  | 25%                             | 21%                                     |
| The Government's economic      | policies ar | e putting     | Britain on    | the right     | path to hig                         | her econo             | mic growt             | <u>th</u> |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |                                 |   |
| Agree                          | 641         | 40            | 27            | 64            | 69                                  | 59                    | 60                    | 21        | 66           | 102    | 74            | 60            | 338                  | 272                          | 66                           | 303                         | 24                                | 22   | 39                              | 184                                     |
|                                | 31%         | 22%           | 29%           | 26%           | 38%                                 | 31%                   | 37%                   | 19%       | 34%          | 40%    | 28%           | 32%           | 29%                  | 30%                          | 27%                          | 33%                         | 19%                               | 19%  | 31%                             | 51%                                     |
| Disagree                       | 945         | 103           | 51            | 107           | 76                                  | 87                    | 71                    | 60        | 85           | 98     | 121           | 87            | 558                  | 439                          | 119                          | 387                         | 65                                | 61   | 59                              | 108                                     |
|                                | 46%         | 57%           | 55%           | 44%           | 42%                                 | 46%                   | 45%                   | 55%       | 44%          | 38%    | 46%           | 46%           | 48%                  | 48%                          | 48%                          | 43%                         | 52%                               | 52%  | 48%                             | 30%                                     |
| Don't know                     | 471         | 36            | 14            | 71            | 36                                  | 45                    | 29                    | 28        | 42           | 59     | 70            | 41            | 256                  | 194                          | 62                           | 215                         | 35                                | 35   | 26                              | 70                                      |
|                                | 23%         | 20%           | 15%           | 29%           | 20%                                 | 24%                   | 18%                   | 26%       | 22%          | 23%    | 26%           | 22%           | 22%                  | 21%                          | 25%                          | 24%                         | 29%                               | 29%  | 21%                             | 19%                                     |





Absolutes/col percents

#### Table 1

Unweighted base Weighted base

Q.1 Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements? Base: All respondents

Which of the following best describes your current working status?

Total person

2057 211

2057 178

The Government has got the right balance between spending cuts and promoting economic growth

Agree 554 32 27% 18%

Disagree 1071 104 52% 58%

Don't know 432 42 21% 24%

#### The Government is in control of the economy

Agree 581 41 28% 23%

Disagree 1133 103 55% 58%

Don't know 343 35 17% 20%

### I expect the Government's Budget next week to look after the rich more than it will look after the poor

 Agree
 1204 113 59% 63%

 Disagree
 477 28 23% 16%

 Don't know
 376 37 18% 21%





Absolutes/col percents

#### Table 1

Q.1 Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements? Base: All respondents

Which of the following best describ es your current working status? House person

Weighted base 2057 178

### The Government is in touch with the economic needs of the British public

 Agree
 517 29 25% 16%

 Disagree
 1264 61% 66%

 Don't know
 275 32 13% 18%

### I expect the Government's Budget next week to be in the best interests of the British public

 Agree
 633 44 31% 25%

 Disagree
 1071 103 52% 58%

 Don't know
 353 31 17% 18%

#### George Osborne understands the financial concerns of ordinary people

Agree 403 19
20% 10%

Disagree 1191 104
58% 59%

Don't know 463 55
23% 31%





Table 1

Weighted base

Q.1 Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements? Base: All respondents

Which of the following best describes your current working status? House person

I expect to be worse off after next week's Budget

 Agree
 1325
 133

 64%
 75%

 Disagree
 327
 12

 16%
 7%

 Don't know
 406
 34

 20%
 19%

The Government's economic policies are putting Britain on the right path to higher economic growth

Agree 641 34 31% 19%

Disagree 945 95 46% 53%

Don't know 471 49 23% 28%





Table 2
Q.2 Do you support or oppose each of the following possible Budget measures?
Base: All respondents

|                                |           | Ger      | nder     |               |       | Ąç    | je    |       |     |     | Social (  | Grade |     | Employ<br>Sec | tor          |
|--------------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|---------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----|-----|-----------|-------|-----|---------------|--------------|
|                                | _Total_   | Male     | Female   | 18-24         | 25-34 | 35-44 | 45-54 | 55-64 | 65+ | AB  | <u>C1</u> | C2    | DE  | Public        | Pri-<br>vate |
| Unweighted base                | 2057      | 916      | 1141     | 224           | 336   | 396   | 374   | 332   | 395 | 722 | 542       | 315   | 478 | 311           | 784          |
| Weighted base                  | 2057      | 1008     | 1049     | 247           | 329   | 391   | 350   | 309   | 432 | 555 | 597       | 432   | 473 | 306           | 846          |
| A rise in tax on petrol        |           |          |          |               |       |       |       |       |     |     |           |       |     |               |              |
| Support                        | 130       | 86       | 44       | 22            | 41    | 22    | 21    | 14    | 11  | 39  | 35        | 27    | 30  | 28            | 61           |
|                                | 6%        | 9%       | 4%       | 9%            | 12%   | 6%    | 6%    | 4%    | 3%  | 7%  | 6%        | 6%    | 6%  | 9%            | 7%           |
| Oppose                         | 1810      | 876      | 934      | 199           | 253   | 345   | 317   | 285   | 411 | 492 | 536       | 387   | 395 | 267           | 736          |
|                                | 88%       | 87%      | 89%      | 81%           | 77%   | 88%   | 91%   | 92%   | 95% | 89% | 90%       | 90%   | 84% | 87%           | 87%          |
| Don't know                     | 117       | 46       | 71       | 26            | 36    | 23    | 12    | 10    | 10  | 25  | 25        | 18    | 48  | 12            | 49           |
|                                | 6%        | 5%       | 7%       | 10%           | 11%   | 6%    | 3%    | 3%    | 2%  | 5%  | 4%        | 4%    | 10% | 4%            | 6%           |
| Cutting the 50p top rate of in | come tax  |          |          |               |       |       |       |       |     |     |           |       |     |               |              |
| Support                        | 630       | 340      | 290      | 88            | 122   | 105   | 101   | 89    | 124 | 170 | 176       | 133   | 152 | 79            | 285          |
|                                | 31%       | 34%      | 28%      | 36%           | 37%   | 27%   | 29%   | 29%   | 29% | 31% | 29%       | 31%   | 32% | 26%           | 34%          |
| Oppose                         | 949       | 515      | 434      | 66            | 103   | 196   | 177   | 167   | 241 | 287 | 282       | 204   | 176 | 170           | 356          |
|                                | 46%       | 51%      | 41%      | 27%           | 31%   | 50%   | 51%   | 54%   | 56% | 52% | 47%       | 47%   | 37% | 56%           | 42%          |
| Don't know                     | 478       | 153      | 325      | 93            | 104   | 90    | 72    | 53    | 67  | 99  | 138       | 95    | 145 | 56            | 205          |
|                                | 23%       | 15%      | 31%      | 37%           | 32%   | 23%   | 21%   | 17%   | 15% | 18% | 23%       | 22%   | 31% | 18%           | 24%          |
| Introducing a tax on assets s  | such as a | tax on e | xpensive | <u>houses</u> |       |       |       |       |     |     |           |       |     |               |              |
| Support                        | 1132      | 578      | 555      | 94            | 174   | 219   | 206   | 188   | 250 | 302 | 313       | 252   | 266 | 175           | 460          |
|                                | 55%       | 57%      | 53%      | 38%           | 53%   | 56%   | 59%   | 61%   | 58% | 54% | 52%       | 58%   | 56% | 57%           | 54%          |
| Oppose                         | 594       | 314      | 280      | 88            | 90    | 112   | 95    | 86    | 123 | 189 | 187       | 114   | 103 | 93            | 254          |
|                                | 29%       | 31%      | 27%      | 36%           | 27%   | 29%   | 27%   | 28%   | 29% | 34% | 31%       | 26%   | 22% | 30%           | 30%          |
| Don't know                     | 330       | 116      | 214      | 65            | 65    | 60    | 48    | 35    | 59  | 64  | 97        | 66    | 104 | 38            | 132          |
|                                | 16%       | 12%      | 20%      | 26%           | 20%   | 15%   | 14%   | 11%   | 14% | 12% | 16%       | 15%   | 22% | 12%           | 16%          |





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Base: All respondents

|                           |               | Ge        | nder       |          |             | Αç       | ge       |           |       |     | Social | Grade |     | Employ<br>Sec | ctor         |
|---------------------------|---------------|-----------|------------|----------|-------------|----------|----------|-----------|-------|-----|--------|-------|-----|---------------|--------------|
|                           | _Total        | Male      | Female     | 18-24    | 25-34       | 35-44    | 45-54    | 55-64     | 65+   | AB  | C1     | C2    | DE  | Public        | Pri-<br>vate |
| Weighted base             | 2057          | 1008      | 1049       | 247      | 329         | 391      | 350      | 309       | 432   | 555 | 597    | 432   | 473 | 306           | 846          |
| Announcing that the Gov   | vernment will | continu   | e to pay c | hild ben | efit to par | ents ear | ning mor | e than £4 | 2,000 |     |        |       |     |               |              |
| Support                   | 585           | 266       | 319        | 69       | 114         | 143      | 85       | 71        | 102   | 189 | 182    | 109   | 105 | 102           | 250          |
|                           | 28%           | 26%       | 30%        | 28%      | 35%         | 37%      | 24%      | 23%       | 24%   | 34% | 30%    | 25%   | 22% | 33%           | 30%          |
| Oppose                    | 1223          | 630       | 593        | 129      | 160         | 210      | 229      | 212       | 283   | 297 | 361    | 274   | 292 | 175           | 499          |
|                           | 59%           | 63%       | 57%        | 52%      | 49%         | 54%      | 66%      | 69%       | 66%   | 53% | 60%    | 63%   | 62% | 57%           | 59%          |
| Don't know                | 249           | 112       | 137        | 49       | 55          | 37       | 35       | 26        | 47    | 70  | 54     | 49    | 76  | 29            | 97           |
|                           | 12%           | 11%       | 13%        | 20%      | 17%         | 10%      | 10%      | 8%        | 11%   | 13% | 9%     | 11%   | 16% | 9%            | 11%          |
| Increasing the threshold  | for income to | ax to £10 | ,000       |          |             |          |          |           |       |     |        |       |     |               |              |
| Support                   | 1660          | 861       | 799        | 143      | 215         | 312      | 300      | 290       | 400   | 474 | 488    | 354   | 344 | 255           | 683          |
|                           | 81%           | 85%       | 76%        | 58%      | 65%         | 80%      | 86%      | 94%       | 93%   | 85% | 82%    | 82%   | 73% | 83%           | 81%          |
| Oppose                    | 151           | 74        | 77         | 43       | 51          | 25       | 13       | 8         | 12    | 34  | 48     | 34    | 35  | 29            | 58           |
|                           | 7%            | 7%        | 7%         | 17%      | 16%         | 6%       | 4%       | 3%        | 3%    | 6%  | 8%     | 8%    | 7%  | 10%           | 7%           |
| Don't know                | 246           | 73        | 173        | 61       | 63          | 54       | 37       | 11        | 20    | 48  | 61     | 43    | 94  | 22            | 105          |
|                           | 12%           | 7%        | 16%        | 25%      | 19%         | 14%      | 11%      | 3%        | 5%    | 9%  | 10%    | 10%   | 20% | 7%            | 12%          |
| Introducing a special tax | on large bor  | uses      |            |          |             |          |          |           |       |     |        |       |     |               |              |
| Support                   | 1652          | 835       | 817        | 147      | 218         | 315      | 307      | 278       | 386   | 455 | 471    | 355   | 371 | 254           | 658          |
|                           | 80%           | 83%       | 78%        | 59%      | 66%         | 81%      | 88%      | 90%       | 89%   | 82% | 79%    | 82%   | 78% | 83%           | 78%          |
| Oppose                    | 216           | 115       | 101        | 53       | 61          | 35       | 16       | 20        | 30    | 60  | 74     | 41    | 41  | 32            | 107          |
|                           | 10%           | 11%       | 10%        | 21%      | 19%         | 9%       | 5%       | 7%        | 7%    | 11% | 12%    | 10%   | 9%  | 10%           | 13%          |
| Don't know                | 190           | 59        | 131        | 47       | 50          | 41       | 26       | 10        | 15    | 41  | 52     | 36    | 61  | 20            | 80           |
|                           | 9%            | 6%        | 13%        | 19%      | 15%         | 11%      | 7%       | 3%        | 4%    | 7%  | 9%     | 8%    | 13% | 7%            | 10%          |





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|--------------------------------|------------|---------------|-------------|------------|------------|-------|-------|-------|-----|-----|-----------|-------|-----|---------------|--------------|
|                                | Total      | _Male_        | Female      | 18-24      | 25-34      | 35-44 | 45-54 | 55-64 | 65+ | AB  | <u>C1</u> | C2_   | DE  | Public        | Pri-<br>vate |
| Weighted base                  | 2057       | 1008          | 1049        | 247        | 329        | 391   | 350   | 309   | 432 | 555 | 597       | 432   | 473 | 306           | 846          |
| An above-inflation increase in | ı tax on t | <u>obacco</u> |             |            |            |       |       |       |     |     |           |       |     |               |              |
| Support                        | 1240       | 622           | 618         | 133        | 179        | 233   | 199   | 204   | 293 | 396 | 366       | 234   | 243 | 208           | 479          |
|                                | 60%        | 62%           | 59%         | 54%        | 54%        | 60%   | 57%   | 66%   | 68% | 71% | 61%       | 54%   | 51% | 68%           | 57%          |
| Oppose                         | 600        | 300           | 301         | 71         | 107        | 116   | 119   | 88    | 100 | 107 | 175       | 152   | 167 | 74            | 266          |
|                                | 29%        | 30%           | 29%         | 29%        | 32%        | 30%   | 34%   | 28%   | 23% | 19% | 29%       | 35%   | 35% | 24%           | 31%          |
| Don't know                     | 216        | 86            | 130         | 43         | 44         | 42    | 32    | 17    | 38  | 52  | 55        | 46    | 63  | 24            | 101          |
|                                | 11%        | 9%            | 12%         | 18%        | 13%        | 11%   | 9%    | 6%    | 9%  | 9%  | 9%        | 11%   | 13% | 8%            | 12%          |
| Issuing 100-year Government    | bonds to   | fund B        | ritain's na | ational de | <u>ebt</u> |       |       |       |     |     |           |       |     |               |              |
| Support                        | 721        | 465           | 256         | 80         | 106        | 151   | 122   | 113   | 149 | 213 | 216       | 149   | 143 | 108           | 326          |
|                                | 35%        | 46%           | 24%         | 33%        | 32%        | 39%   | 35%   | 37%   | 34% | 38% | 36%       | 34%   | 30% | 35%           | 39%          |
| Oppose                         | 371        | 203           | 168         | 44         | 52         | 53    | 54    | 65    | 102 | 106 | 110       | 79    | 76  | 58            | 140          |
|                                | 18%        | 20%           | 16%         | 18%        | 16%        | 13%   | 15%   | 21%   | 24% | 19% | 18%       | 18%   | 16% | 19%           | 17%          |
| Don't know                     | 965        | 340           | 625         | 122        | 171        | 187   | 174   | 130   | 181 | 236 | 270       | 204   | 255 | 140           | 380          |
|                                | 47%        | 34%           | 60%         | 49%        | 52%        | 48%   | 50%   | 42%   | 42% | 42% | 45%       | 47%   | 54% | 46%           | 45%          |
| Introducing minimum pricing    | for alcol  | nolic drin    | nks_        |            |            |       |       |       |     |     |           |       |     |               |              |
| Support                        | 968        | 457           | 511         | 97         | 146        | 193   | 151   | 157   | 223 | 288 | 271       | 194   | 215 | 153           | 364          |
|                                | 47%        | 45%           | 49%         | 39%        | 44%        | 49%   | 43%   | 51%   | 52% | 52% | 45%       | 45%   | 45% | 50%           | 43%          |
| Oppose                         | 822        | 458           | 364         | 98         | 123        | 150   | 155   | 123   | 174 | 209 | 245       | 184   | 185 | 119           | 360          |
|                                | 40%        | 45%           | 35%         | 40%        | 37%        | 38%   | 44%   | 40%   | 40% | 38% | 41%       | 43%   | 39% | 39%           | 43%          |
| Don't know                     | 267        | 92            | 174         | 52         | 61         | 47    | 44    | 28    | 35  | 58  | 80        | 55    | 73  | 34            | 121          |
|                                | 13%        | 9%            | 17%         | 21%        | 18%        | 12%   | 13%   | 9%    | 8%  | 10% | 13%       | 13%   | 16% | 11%           | 14%          |





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|--------------------------|------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------|--------------|--------|---------------|---------------|----------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|---|
|                          | _Total           | Scot-<br>land | North<br>East | North<br>West | York-<br>shire &<br>Humb-<br>erside | West<br>Mid-<br>lands | East<br>Mid-<br>lands | Wales | East-<br>ern | London | South<br>East | South<br>West | NET:<br>Work-<br>ing | Work-<br>ing<br>full<br>time | Work-<br>ing<br>part<br>time | NET:<br>Not<br>work-<br>ing | Not<br>working<br>seeking<br>work | Not<br>working<br>and not<br>seeking<br>work | Retired on a state pension only | Retired<br>with a<br>private<br>pension |
| Unweighted base          | 2057             | 165           | 96            | 252           | 174                                 | 194                   | 167                   | 92    | 173          | 244    | 300           | 200           | 1095                 | 735                          | 360                          | 962                         | 148                               | 122  | 111                             | 370                                     |
| Weighted base            | 2057             | 179           | 93            | 242           | 181                                 | 190                   | 160                   | 109   | 193          | 259    | 264           | 188           | 1152                 | 905                          | 247                          | 905                         | 124                               | 118  | 124                             | 362                                     |
| A rise in tax on petrol  |                  |               |               |               |                                     |                       |                       |       |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |                                 |   |
| Support                  | 130              | 9             | 6             | 17            | 8                                   | 6                     | 11                    | 7     | 9            | 38     | 11            | 8             | 89                   | 73                           | 15                           | 41                          | 15                                | 6  | 2                               | 11                                      |
|                          | 6%               | 5%            | 6%            | 7%            | 4%                                  | 3%                    | 7%                    | 7%    | 5%           | 15%    | 4%            | 4%            | 8%                   | 8%                           | 6%                           | 5%                          | 12%                               | 5%   | 2%                              | 3%                                      |
| Oppose                   | 1810             | 160           | 81            | 207           | 164                                 | 171                   | 145                   | 99    | 172          | 195    | 243           | 174           | 1003                 | 786                          | 216                          | 808                         | 92                                | 98   | 118                             | 343                                     |
|                          | 88%              | 89%           | 87%           | 86%           | 90%                                 | 90%                   | 90%                   | 91%   | 89%          | 75%    | 92%           | 93%           | 87%                  | 87%                          | 88%                          | 89%                         | 75%                               | 83%  | 95%                             | 95%                                     |
| Don't know               | 117              | 10            | 6             | 17            | 9                                   | 13                    | 4                     | 3     | 12           | 26     | 9             | 6             | 61                   | 46                           | 15                           | 56                          | 16                                | 14   | 3                               | 8                                       |
|                          | 6%               | 6%            | 6%            | 7%            | 5%                                  | 7%                    | 3%                    | 3%    | 6%           | 10%    | 4%            | 3%            | 5%                   | 5%                           | 6%                           | 6%                          | 13%                               | 12%  | 3%                              | 2%                                      |
| Cutting the 50p top rate | of income tax    |               |               |               |                                     |                       |                       |       |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |                                 |   |
| Support                  | 630              | 44            | 24            | 74            | 50                                  | 56                    | 49                    | 25    | 54           | 101    | 106           | 46            | 365                  | 299                          | 66                           | 265                         | 40                                | 25   | 33                              | 111                                     |
|                          | 31%              | 25%           | 26%           | 31%           | 28%                                 | 30%                   | 31%                   | 23%   | 28%          | 39%    | 40%           | 25%           | 32%                  | 33%                          | 27%                          | 29%                         | 32%                               | 21%  | 26%                             | 31%                                     |
| Oppose                   | 949              | 91            | 44            | 114           | 90                                  | 91                    | 80                    | 55    | 96           | 95     | 100           | 95            | 526                  | 414                          | 112                          | 423                         | 42                                | 50   | 67                              | 202                                     |
|                          | 46%              | 51%           | 47%           | 47%           | 49%                                 | 48%                   | 50%                   | 51%   | 50%          | 37%    | 38%           | 51%           | 46%                  | 46%                          | 46%                          | 47%                         | 34%                               | 42%  | 54%                             | 56%                                     |
| Don't know               | 478              | 44            | 25            | 54            | 42                                  | 43                    | 31                    | 29    | 43           | 64     | 58            | 46            | 261                  | 192                          | 69                           | 217                         | 42                                | 43   | 25                              | 49                                      |
|                          | 23%              | 24%           | 26%           | 22%           | 23%                                 | 23%                   | 20%                   | 26%   | 23%          | 25%    | 22%           | 24%           | 23%                  | 21%                          | 28%                          | 24%                         | 34%                               | 36%  | 20%                             | 13%                                     |
| Introducing a tax on ass | ets such as a ta | x on expe     | ensive hou    | ses           |                                     |                       |                       |       |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |                                 |   |
| Support                  | 1132             | 99            | 46            | 148           | 102                                 | 100                   | 103                   | 56    | 102          | 133    | 127           | 118           | 634                  | 508                          | 127                          | 498                         | 71                                | 47   | 81                              | 207                                     |
|                          | 55%              | 55%           | 49%           | 61%           | 56%                                 | 52%                   | 64%                   | 51%   | 53%          | 51%    | 48%           | 63%           | 55%                  | 56%                          | 51%                          | 55%                         | 57%                               | 40%  | 65%                             | 57%                                     |
| Oppose                   | 594              | 41            | 29            | 63            | 46                                  | 54                    | 40                    | 37    | 63           | 82     | 92            | 48            | 348                  | 276                          | 72                           | 247                         | 21                                | 35   | 20                              | 120                                     |
|                          | 29%              | 23%           | 31%           | 26%           | 25%                                 | 28%                   | 25%                   | 34%   | 33%          | 32%    | 35%           | 26%           | 30%                  | 30%                          | 29%                          | 27%                         | 17%                               | 29%  | 17%                             | 33%                                     |
| Don't know               | 330              | 38            | 18            | 31            | 34                                  | 36                    | 17                    | 17    | 28           | 44     | 45            | 21            | 170                  | 121                          | 49                           | 161                         | 31                                | 36   | 23                              | 35                                      |
|                          | 16%              | 22%           | 19%           | 13%           | 19%                                 | 19%                   | 11%                   | 15%   | 15%          | 17%    | 17%           | 11%           | 15%                  | 13%                          | 20%                          | 18%                         | 25%                               | 31%  | 19%                             | 10%                                     |





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Q.2 Do you support or oppose each of the following possible Budget measures?

Base: All respondents

Which of the following best describes your current working

|                                 |              |            |               |               |                                     |                       | Region                |       |              |        |               |               |                      | vvnich c                     | i the follow                 | ing best di<br>stat         |                                   | our current                                  | working                                     |   |
|---------------------------------|--------------|------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------|--------------|--------|---------------|---------------|----------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|---|
|                                 | _Total_      | Scot-      | North<br>East | North<br>West | York-<br>shire &<br>Humb-<br>erside | West<br>Mid-<br>lands | East<br>Mid-<br>lands | Wales | East-<br>ern | London | South<br>East | South<br>West | NET:<br>Work-<br>ing | Work-<br>ing<br>full<br>time | Work-<br>ing<br>part<br>time | NET:<br>Not<br>work-<br>ing | Not<br>working<br>seeking<br>work | Not<br>working<br>and not<br>seeking<br>work | Retired<br>on a<br>state<br>pension<br>only | Retired<br>with a<br>private<br>pension |
| Weighted base                   | 2057         | 179        | 93            | 242           | 181                                 | 190                   | 160                   | 109   | 193          | 259    | 264           | 188           | 1152                 | 905                          | 247                          | 905                         | 124                               | 118  | 124   | 362                                     |
| Announcing that the Government  | nent will co | ontinue to | pay child     | benefit to    | parents ea                          | arning mo             | re than £4            | 2,000 |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |   |   |
| Support                         | 585          | 47         | 29            | 70            | 55                                  | 55                    | 39                    | 29    | 55           | 81     | 80            | 46            | 352                  | 284                          | 69                           | 233                         | 30                                | 36   | 28  | 88                                      |
|                                 | 28%          | 26%        | 31%           | 29%           | 30%                                 | 29%                   | 25%                   | 27%   | 29%          | 31%    | 30%           | 24%           | 31%                  | 31%                          | 28%                          | 26%                         | 24%                               | 31%  | 23%   | 24%                                     |
| Oppose                          | 1223         | 113        | 54            | 137           | 104                                 | 114                   | 109                   | 65    | 118          | 138    | 147           | 124           | 674                  | 524                          | 150                          | 549                         | 65                                | 61   | 86  | 238                                     |
|                                 | 59%          | 63%        | 58%           | 57%           | 57%                                 | 60%                   | 68%                   | 60%   | 61%          | 53%    | 56%           | 66%           | 59%                  | 58%                          | 61%                          | 61%                         | 52%                               | 52%  | 69%   | 66%                                     |
| Don't know                      | 249          | 19         | 11            | 35            | 22                                  | 22                    | 11                    | 15    | 20           | 40     | 38            | 17            | 125                  | 97                           | 28                           | 123                         | 29                                | 21   | 10  | 36                                      |
|                                 | 12%          | 11%        | 11%           | 14%           | 12%                                 | 11%                   | 7%                    | 14%   | 10%          | 15%    | 14%           | 9%            | 11%                  | 11%                          | 11%                          | 14%                         | 24%                               | 18%  | 8%  | 10%                                     |
| Increasing the threshold for in | ncome tax    | to £10,00  | <u>0</u>      |               |                                     |                       |                       |       |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |   |   |
| Support                         | 1660         | 149        | 76            | 187           | 152                                 | 154                   | 137                   | 85    | 162          | 186    | 220           | 152           | 939                  | 740                          | 198                          | 721                         | 85                                | 69   | 104   | 346                                     |
|                                 | 81%          | 84%        | 82%           | 77%           | 84%                                 | 81%                   | 86%                   | 78%   | 84%          | 72%    | 83%           | 81%           | 81%                  | 82%                          | 80%                          | 80%                         | 69%                               | 59%  | 84%   | 96%                                     |
| Oppose                          | 151          | 9          | 6             | 15            | 11                                  | 12                    | 10                    | 12    | 11           | 36     | 13            | 15            | 87                   | 71                           | 15                           | 64                          | 11                                | 21   | 7   | 8                                       |
|                                 | 7%           | 5%         | 7%            | 6%            | 6%                                  | 6%                    | 6%                    | 11%   | 6%           | 14%    | 5%            | 8%            | 8%                   | 8%                           | 6%                           | 7%                          | 9%                                | 18%  | 6%  | 2%                                      |
| Don't know                      | 246          | 20         | 11            | 40            | 19                                  | 24                    | 12                    | 12    | 20           | 37     | 31            | 20            | 127                  | 93                           | 33                           | 119                         | 28                                | 28   | 13  | 8                                       |
|                                 | 12%          | 11%        | 12%           | 16%           | 10%                                 | 13%                   | 8%                    | 11%   | 10%          | 14%    | 12%           | 11%           | 11%                  | 10%                          | 13%                          | 13%                         | 23%                               | 23%  | 10%   | 2%                                      |
| Introducing a special tax on la | arge bonus   | ses_       |               |               |                                     |                       |                       |       |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |   |   |
| Support                         | 1652         | 148        | 69            | 199           | 146                                 | 155                   | 139                   | 90    | 157          | 186    | 208           | 156           | 912                  | 727                          | 184                          | 740                         | 91                                | 78   | 109   | 327                                     |
|                                 | 80%          | 83%        | 74%           | 82%           | 80%                                 | 81%                   | 87%                   | 83%   | 82%          | 72%    | 79%           | 83%           | 79%                  | 80%                          | 75%                          | 82%                         | 74%                               | 66%  | 88%   | 90%                                     |
| Oppose                          | 216          | 13         | 12            | 24            | 22                                  | 14                    | 10                    | 11    | 16           | 42     | 35            | 17            | 139                  | 111                          | 28                           | 76                          | 9                                 | 15   | 8   | 23                                      |
|                                 | 10%          | 7%         | 13%           | 10%           | 12%                                 | 7%                    | 6%                    | 10%   | 8%           | 16%    | 13%           | 9%            | 12%                  | 12%                          | 11%                          | 8%                          | 8%                                | 13%  | 6%  | 6%                                      |
| Don't know                      | 190          | 18         | 12            | 18            | 14                                  | 22                    | 11                    | 8     | 19           | 31     | 22            | 15            | 101                  | 67                           | 34                           | 89                          | 23                                | 24   | 7   | 12                                      |
|                                 | 9%           | 10%        | 13%           | 8%            | 8%                                  | 12%                   | 7%                    | 8%    | 10%          | 12%    | 8%            | 8%            | 9%                   | 7%                           | 14%                          | 10%                         | 19%                               | 21%  | 6%  | 3%                                      |





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Q.2 Do you support or oppose each of the following possible Budget measures?

Base: All respondents

Which of the following best describes your current working

|                             |              |             |               |               |                                     |                       | Region                |       |              |        |               |               |                      | vvnich c                     | or the rollow                | ing best d<br>stat          | escribes yo<br>tus?               | our current                                  | working                         |   |
|-----------------------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------|--------------|--------|---------------|---------------|----------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|---|
|                             | _Total_      | Scot-       | North<br>East | North<br>West | York-<br>shire &<br>Humb-<br>erside | West<br>Mid-<br>lands | East<br>Mid-<br>lands | Wales | East-<br>ern | London | South<br>East | South<br>West | NET:<br>Work-<br>ing | Work-<br>ing<br>full<br>time | Work-<br>ing<br>part<br>time | NET:<br>Not<br>work-<br>ing | Not<br>working<br>seeking<br>work | Not<br>working<br>and not<br>seeking<br>work | Retired on a state pension only | Retired<br>with a<br>private<br>pension |
| Weighted base               | 2057         | 179         | 93            | 242           | 181                                 | 190                   | 160                   | 109   | 193          | 259    | 264           | 188           | 1152                 | 905                          | 247                          | 905                         | 124                               | 118  | 124                             | 362                                     |
| An above-inflation increase | in tax on to | bacco       |               |               |                                     |                       |                       |       |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |                                 |   |
| Support                     | 1240         | 118         | 47            | 143           | 105                                 | 113                   | 103                   | 63    | 122          | 157    | 155           | 115           | 687                  | 540                          | 147                          | 554                         | 54                                | 74   | 78                              | 258                                     |
|                             | 60%          | 66%         | 51%           | 59%           | 58%                                 | 59%                   | 64%                   | 58%   | 63%          | 61%    | 59%           | 61%           | 60%                  | 60%                          | 59%                          | 61%                         | 44%                               | 63%  | 63%                             | 71%                                     |
| Oppose                      | 600          | 46          | 35            | 69            | 54                                  | 58                    | 44                    | 39    | 49           | 74     | 77            | 56            | 340                  | 269                          | 71                           | 261                         | 44                                | 33   | 33                              | 81                                      |
|                             | 29%          | 26%         | 37%           | 28%           | 30%                                 | 31%                   | 27%                   | 36%   | 25%          | 29%    | 29%           | 30%           | 30%                  | 30%                          | 29%                          | 29%                         | 36%                               | 28%  | 27%                             | 22%                                     |
| Don't know                  | 216          | 14          | 11            | 31            | 22                                  | 19                    | 14                    | 7     | 22           | 28     | 32            | 17            | 126                  | 96                           | 29                           | 91                          | 26                                | 11   | 13                              | 23                                      |
|                             | 11%          | 8%          | 12%           | 13%           | 12%                                 | 10%                   | 9%                    | 6%    | 11%          | 11%    | 12%           | 9%            | 11%                  | 11%                          | 12%                          | 10%                         | 21%                               | 10%  | 11%                             | 6%                                      |
| Issuing 100-year Governmen  | nt bonds to  | fund Brita  | in's nation   | nal debt      |                                     |                       |                       |       |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |                                 |   |
| Support                     | 721          | 57          | 31            | 74            | 68                                  | 73                    | 69                    | 29    | 58           | 102    | 85            | 74            | 434                  | 359                          | 75                           | 287                         | 35                                | 38   | 42                              | 127                                     |
|                             | 35%          | 32%         | 34%           | 31%           | 37%                                 | 38%                   | 43%                   | 27%   | 30%          | 40%    | 32%           | 39%           | 38%                  | 40%                          | 30%                          | 32%                         | 29%                               | 32%  | 34%                             | 35%                                     |
| Oppose                      | 371          | 32          | 19            | 47            | 36                                  | 26                    | 30                    | 21    | 36           | 35     | 61            | 28            | 199                  | 153                          | 46                           | 172                         | 14                                | 22   | 27                              | 86                                      |
|                             | 18%          | 18%         | 21%           | 20%           | 20%                                 | 14%                   | 18%                   | 20%   | 19%          | 13%    | 23%           | 15%           | 17%                  | 17%                          | 19%                          | 19%                         | 11%                               | 19%  | 22%                             | 24%                                     |
| Don't know                  | 965          | 89          | 42            | 120           | 78                                  | 91                    | 61                    | 59    | 99           | 122    | 118           | 86            | 520                  | 394                          | 126                          | 446                         | 75                                | 58   | 55                              | 149                                     |
|                             | 47%          | 50%         | 45%           | 50%           | 43%                                 | 48%                   | 38%                   | 54%   | 51%          | 47%    | 45%           | 46%           | 45%                  | 44%                          | 51%                          | 49%                         | 61%                               | 49%  | 44%                             | 41%                                     |
| Introducing minimum pricing | g for alcoho | olic drinks | <u>i</u>      |               |                                     |                       |                       |       |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |                                 |   |
| Support                     | 968          | 72          | 42            | 133           | 103                                 | 78                    | 75                    | 45    | 80           | 136    | 118           | 87            | 518                  | 394                          | 123                          | 451                         | 60                                | 50   | 50                              | 205                                     |
|                             | 47%          | 40%         | 46%           | 55%           | 57%                                 | 41%                   | 47%                   | 41%   | 41%          | 53%    | 45%           | 47%           | 45%                  | 44%                          | 50%                          | 50%                         | 49%                               | 43%  | 40%                             | 57%                                     |
| Oppose                      | 822          | 89          | 41            | 84            | 59                                  | 76                    | 72                    | 49    | 82           | 86     | 105           | 79            | 479                  | 391                          | 88                           | 343                         | 38                                | 48   | 56                              | 134                                     |
|                             | 40%          | 50%         | 44%           | 35%           | 32%                                 | 40%                   | 45%                   | 45%   | 43%          | 33%    | 40%           | 42%           | 42%                  | 43%                          | 36%                          | 38%                         | 31%                               | 41%  | 45%                             | 37%                                     |
| Don't know                  | 267          | 17          | 10            | 25            | 19                                  | 36                    | 13                    | 16    | 31           | 37     | 41            | 21            | 155                  | 120                          | 35                           | 112                         | 25                                | 19   | 18                              | 23                                      |
|                             | 13%          | 10%         | 11%           | 10%           | 11%                                 | 19%                   | 8%                    | 14%   | 16%          | 14%    | 16%           | 11%           | 13%                  | 13%                          | 14%                          | 12%                         | 20%                               | 16%  | 15%                             | 6%                                      |





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Table 2

Q.2 Do you support or oppose each of the following possible Budget measures? Base: All respondents

|                                 | _Total      | Which of the following best describes your current working status? House person |
|---------------------------------|-------------|---|
| Unweighted base                 | 2057        | 211   |
| Weighted base                   | 2057        | 178   |
| A rise in tax on petrol         |             |   |
| Support                         | 130<br>6%   | 6<br>3%   |
| Oppose                          | 1810<br>88% | 157<br>88%  |
| Don't know                      | 117<br>6%   | 15<br>9%  |
| Cutting the 50p top rate of inc | ome tax     |   |
| Support                         | 630<br>31%  | 56<br>32%   |
| Oppose                          | 949<br>46%  | 63<br>35%   |
| Don't know                      | 478<br>23%  | 59<br>33%   |
| Introducing a tax on assets su  | ch as a ta  | ax on expensive houses  |
| Support                         | 1132<br>55% | 93<br>52%   |
| Oppose                          | 594<br>29%  | 50<br>28%   |
| Don't know                      | 330<br>16%  | 35<br>20%   |





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Q.2 Do you support or oppose each of the following possible Budget measures? Base: All respondents

Which of the following best describ es your current working status?

Total person

Weighted base 2057 178

Announcing that the Government will continue to pay child benefit to parents earning more than £42,000

 Support
 585
 51

 28%
 28%

 Oppose
 1223
 100

 59%
 56%

 Don't know
 249
 27

 12%
 15%

#### Increasing the threshold for income tax to £10,000

 Support
 1660 118 81% 66%

 Oppose
 151 18 7% 10%

 Don't know
 246 43 12% 24%

#### Introducing a special tax on large bonuses

 Support
 1652 134 80% 76%

 Oppose
 216 21 10% 12%

 Don't know
 190 23 9% 13%





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Q.2 Do you support or oppose each of the following possible Budget measures? Base: All respondents

Which of the followi ng best describ es your current working status? House Total person 178 Weighted base An above-inflation increase in tax on tobacco Support

Don't know 216 17 0ppose 600 70 29% 39% 296 17 11% 10%

### Issuing 100-year Government bonds to fund Britain's national debt

 Support
 721
 45

 35%
 25%

 Oppose
 371
 24

 18%
 13%

 Don't know
 965
 110

 47%
 62%

#### Introducing minimum pricing for alcoholic drinks

 
 Support
 968 47%
 85 48%

 Oppose
 822 40%
 66 37%

 Don't know
 267 13%
 27 15%





Table 3
Q.3 Do you, or would you, trust each of the following politicians to see the country through the current economic situation?
Base: All respondents

|                          |                | Ger     | nder     |       |       | Ag    | ge    |       |     |     | Social | Grade |     | Employ<br>Sec |              |
|--------------------------|----------------|---------|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----|-----|--------|-------|-----|---------------|--------------|
|                          | <u>Total</u>   | Male    | Female   | 18-24 | 25-34 | 35-44 | 45-54 | 55-64 | 65+ | AB  | C1     | C2    | DE  | Public        | Pri-<br>vate |
| Unweighted base          | 2057           | 916     | 1141     | 224   | 336   | 396   | 374   | 332   | 395 | 722 | 542    | 315   | 478 | 311           | 784          |
| Weighted base            | 2057           | 1008    | 1049     | 247   | 329   | 391   | 350   | 309   | 432 | 555 | 597    | 432   | 473 | 306           | 846          |
| Chancellor of the Exched | quer, George ( | Osborne | <u>!</u> |       |       |       |       |       |     |     |        |       |     |               |              |
| Yes                      | 513            | 321     | 191      | 34    | 66    | 78    | 67    | 94    | 173 | 177 | 142    | 112   | 82  | 64            | 194          |
|                          | 25%            | 32%     | 18%      | 14%   | 20%   | 20%   | 19%   | 30%   | 40% | 32% | 24%    | 26%   | 17% | 21%           | 23%          |
| No                       | 1073           | 539     | 534      | 117   | 171   | 221   | 200   | 173   | 191 | 270 | 317    | 243   | 243 | 203           | 452          |
|                          | 52%            | 53%     | 51%      | 47%   | 52%   | 57%   | 57%   | 56%   | 44% | 49% | 53%    | 56%   | 51% | 66%           | 53%          |
| Don't know               | 472            | 148     | 324      | 95    | 92    | 92    | 83    | 42    | 67  | 108 | 138    | 78    | 148 | 39            | 200          |
|                          | 23%            | 15%     | 31%      | 39%   | 28%   | 24%   | 24%   | 14%   | 16% | 20% | 23%    | 18%   | 31% | 13%           | 24%          |
| Prime Minister, David Ca | meron          |         |          |       |       |       |       |       |     |     |        |       |     |               |              |
| Yes                      | 739            | 426     | 313      | 63    | 103   | 121   | 110   | 117   | 225 | 238 | 220    | 150   | 131 | 98            | 290          |
|                          | 36%            | 42%     | 30%      | 26%   | 31%   | 31%   | 32%   | 38%   | 52% | 43% | 37%    | 35%   | 28% | 32%           | 34%          |
| No                       | 965            | 466     | 499      | 117   | 148   | 197   | 183   | 158   | 162 | 235 | 275    | 217   | 238 | 174           | 394          |
|                          | 47%            | 46%     | 48%      | 47%   | 45%   | 50%   | 52%   | 51%   | 37% | 42% | 46%    | 50%   | 50% | 57%           | 47%          |
| Don't know               | 353            | 116     | 236      | 67    | 78    | 73    | 57    | 33    | 45  | 82  | 101    | 65    | 104 | 34            | 162          |
|                          | 17%            | 12%     | 23%      | 27%   | 24%   | 19%   | 16%   | 11%   | 10% | 15% | 17%    | 15%   | 22% | 11%           | 19%          |
| Deputy Prime Minister, N | lick Clegg     |         |          |       |       |       |       |       |     |     |        |       |     |               |              |
| Yes                      | 362            | 198     | 164      | 44    | 80    | 69    | 40    | 44    | 85  | 103 | 107    | 83    | 69  | 37            | 158          |
|                          | 18%            | 20%     | 16%      | 18%   | 24%   | 18%   | 11%   | 14%   | 20% | 19% | 18%    | 19%   | 15% | 12%           | 19%          |
| No                       | 1266           | 657     | 609      | 124   | 162   | 235   | 241   | 216   | 288 | 362 | 355    | 274   | 275 | 229           | 495          |
|                          | 62%            | 65%     | 58%      | 50%   | 49%   | 60%   | 69%   | 70%   | 67% | 65% | 60%    | 63%   | 58% | 75%           | 59%          |
| Don't know               | 429            | 153     | 276      | 79    | 88    | 87    | 69    | 48    | 58  | 90  | 134    | 76    | 129 | 40            | 193          |
|                          | 21%            | 15%     | 26%      | 32%   | 27%   | 22%   | 20%   | 16%   | 13% | 16% | 22%    | 17%   | 27% | 13%           | 23%          |





Table 3
Q.3 Do you, or would you, trust each of the following politicians to see the country through the current economic situation?
Base: All respondents

|                              |          | Ger  | nder   |       |       | Ąç    | ge    |       |     |     | Social (  | Grade |     | Employ<br>Sec | tor          |
|------------------------------|----------|------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----|-----|-----------|-------|-----|---------------|--------------|
|                              | Total    | Male | Female | 18-24 | 25-34 | 35-44 | 45-54 | 55-64 | 65+ | AB  | <u>C1</u> | C2    | DE  | Public        | Pri-<br>vate |
| Weighted base                | 2057     | 1008 | 1049   | 247   | 329   | 391   | 350   | 309   | 432 | 555 | 597       | 432   | 473 | 306           | 846          |
| Leader of the Opposition, Ed | Miliband | _    |        |       |       |       |       |       |     |     |           |       |     |               |              |
| Yes                          | 337      | 169  | 168    | 53    | 69    | 66    | 48    | 50    | 51  | 91  | 91        | 72    | 84  | 66            | 139          |
|                              | 16%      | 17%  | 16%    | 22%   | 21%   | 17%   | 14%   | 16%   | 12% | 16% | 15%       | 17%   | 18% | 22%           | 16%          |
| No                           | 1271     | 688  | 583    | 108   | 166   | 231   | 223   | 210   | 332 | 372 | 386       | 256   | 256 | 197           | 502          |
|                              | 62%      | 68%  | 56%    | 44%   | 50%   | 59%   | 64%   | 68%   | 77% | 67% | 65%       | 59%   | 54% | 64%           | 59%          |
| Don't know                   | 449      | 151  | 298    | 85    | 95    | 94    | 78    | 48    | 49  | 92  | 120       | 104   | 133 | 44            | 204          |
|                              | 22%      | 15%  | 28%    | 35%   | 29%   | 24%   | 22%   | 16%   | 11% | 17% | 20%       | 24%   | 28% | 14%           | 24%          |
| Shadow Chancellor, Ed Balls  | <u>i</u> |      |        |       |       |       |       |       |     |     |           |       |     |               |              |
| Yes                          | 307      | 169  | 138    | 31    | 56    | 47    | 50    | 57    | 66  | 95  | 83        | 57    | 71  | 57            | 115          |
|                              | 15%      | 17%  | 13%    | 12%   | 17%   | 12%   | 14%   | 19%   | 15% | 17% | 14%       | 13%   | 15% | 19%           | 14%          |
| No                           | 1239     | 658  | 580    | 112   | 171   | 238   | 212   | 201   | 306 | 357 | 361       | 277   | 245 | 192           | 510          |
|                              | 60%      | 65%  | 55%    | 45%   | 52%   | 61%   | 61%   | 65%   | 71% | 64% | 60%       | 64%   | 52% | 63%           | 60%          |
| Don't know                   | 511      | 181  | 330    | 105   | 102   | 106   | 87    | 51    | 61  | 103 | 152       | 98    | 157 | 57            | 220          |
|                              | 25%      | 18%  | 31%    | 42%   | 31%   | 27%   | 25%   | 16%   | 14% | 19% | 26%       | 23%   | 33% | 19%           | 26%          |





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Q.3 Do you, or would you, trust each of the following politicians to see the country through the current economic situation? Base: All respondents

Which of the following best describes your current working

|                          |               |        |               |               |                                     |                       | Region                |       |              |        |               |               |                      | VVIIIOITO                    | i tilo lollow                | stat                        | tus?                              | our current                                  | working                                     |   |
|--------------------------|---------------|--------|---------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------|--------------|--------|---------------|---------------|----------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|---|
|                          | _Total        | Scot-  | North<br>East | North<br>West | York-<br>shire &<br>Humb-<br>erside | West<br>Mid-<br>lands | East<br>Mid-<br>lands | Wales | East-<br>ern | London | South<br>East | South<br>West | NET:<br>Work-<br>ing | Work-<br>ing<br>full<br>time | Work-<br>ing<br>part<br>time | NET:<br>Not<br>work-<br>ing | Not<br>working<br>seeking<br>work | Not<br>working<br>and not<br>seeking<br>work | Retired<br>on a<br>state<br>pension<br>only | Retired<br>with a<br>private<br>pension |
| Unweighted base          | 2057          | 165    | 96            | 252           | 174                                 | 194                   | 167                   | 92    | 173          | 244    | 300           | 200           | 1095                 | 735                          | 360                          | 962                         | 148                               | 122  | 111   | 370                                     |
| Weighted base            | 2057          | 179    | 93            | 242           | 181                                 | 190                   | 160                   | 109   | 193          | 259    | 264           | 188           | 1152                 | 905                          | 247                          | 905                         | 124                               | 118  | 124   | 362                                     |
| Chancellor of the Exched | uer, George O | sborne |               |               |                                     |                       |                       |       |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |   |   |
| Yes                      | 513           | 34     | 20            | 54            | 47                                  | 44                    | 48                    | 13    | 55           | 87     | 63            | 47            | 258                  | 203                          | 55                           | 255                         | 16                                | 18   | 24  | 175                                     |
|                          | 25%           | 19%    | 21%           | 22%           | 26%                                 | 23%                   | 30%                   | 12%   | 28%          | 34%    | 24%           | 25%           | 22%                  | 22%                          | 22%                          | 28%                         | 13%                               | 15%  | 19%   | 48%                                     |
| No                       | 1073          | 110    | 52            | 134           | 92                                  | 88                    | 85                    | 77    | 87           | 106    | 148           | 92            | 655                  | 527                          | 128                          | 418                         | 53                                | 58   | 71  | 141                                     |
|                          | 52%           | 62%    | 56%           | 55%           | 51%                                 | 46%                   | 53%                   | 71%   | 45%          | 41%    | 56%           | 49%           | 57%                  | 58%                          | 52%                          | 46%                         | 43%                               | 49%  | 57%   | 39%                                     |
| Don't know               | 472           | 34     | 21            | 54            | 42                                  | 58                    | 27                    | 19    | 51           | 66     | 52            | 48            | 239                  | 176                          | 64                           | 232                         | 54                                | 42   | 29  | 46                                      |
|                          | 23%           | 19%    | 22%           | 22%           | 23%                                 | 30%                   | 17%                   | 17%   | 26%          | 25%    | 20%           | 26%           | 21%                  | 19%                          | 26%                          | 26%                         | 44%                               | 36%  | 23%   | 13%                                     |
| Prime Minister, David Ca | meron_        |        |               |               |                                     |                       |                       |       |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |   |   |
| Yes                      | 739           | 46     | 31            | 80            | 71                                  | 78                    | 63                    | 23    | 71           | 115    | 90            | 72            | 388                  | 310                          | 78                           | 351                         | 26                                | 27   | 47  | 200                                     |
|                          | 36%           | 26%    | 34%           | 33%           | 39%                                 | 41%                   | 40%                   | 21%   | 37%          | 44%    | 34%           | 38%           | 34%                  | 34%                          | 32%                          | 39%                         | 21%                               | 23%  | 38%   | 55%                                     |
| No                       | 965           | 109    | 47            | 119           | 79                                  | 74                    | 77                    | 68    | 90           | 94     | 125           | 82            | 568                  | 443                          | 124                          | 398                         | 64                                | 58   | 63  | 129                                     |
|                          | 47%           | 61%    | 51%           | 49%           | 44%                                 | 39%                   | 48%                   | 63%   | 47%          | 36%    | 47%           | 44%           | 49%                  | 49%                          | 50%                          | 44%                         | 51%                               | 49%  | 51%   | 36%                                     |
| Don't know               | 353           | 24     | 14            | 43            | 31                                  | 38                    | 19                    | 18    | 32           | 50     | 49            | 34            | 196                  | 152                          | 44                           | 156                         | 34                                | 33   | 14  | 33                                      |
|                          | 17%           | 13%    | 15%           | 18%           | 17%                                 | 20%                   | 12%                   | 17%   | 16%          | 19%    | 19%           | 18%           | 17%                  | 17%                          | 18%                          | 17%                         | 27%                               | 28%  | 11%   | 9%                                      |
| Deputy Prime Minister, N | lick Clegg    |        |               |               |                                     |                       |                       |       |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |   |   |
| Yes                      | 362           | 23     | 16            | 44            | 27                                  | 41                    | 28                    | 17    | 32           | 59     | 44            | 31            | 195                  | 154                          | 41                           | 167                         | 19                                | 17   | 16  | 88                                      |
|                          | 18%           | 13%    | 17%           | 18%           | 15%                                 | 21%                   | 17%                   | 16%   | 17%          | 23%    | 17%           | 17%           | 17%                  | 17%                          | 17%                          | 18%                         | 15%                               | 15%  | 13%   | 24%                                     |
| No                       | 1266          | 123    | 60            | 142           | 112                                 | 105                   | 102                   | 74    | 122          | 147    | 168           | 111           | 724                  | 575                          | 149                          | 542                         | 61                                | 62   | 90  | 228                                     |
|                          | 62%           | 69%    | 64%           | 59%           | 62%                                 | 55%                   | 64%                   | 68%   | 63%          | 57%    | 64%           | 59%           | 63%                  | 64%                          | 60%                          | 60%                         | 50%                               | 52%  | 73%   | 63%                                     |
| Don't know               | 429           | 33     | 18            | 56            | 43                                  | 44                    | 30                    | 18    | 39           | 52     | 52            | 45            | 233                  | 176                          | 56                           | 196                         | 43                                | 39   | 18  | 46                                      |
|                          | 21%           | 18%    | 19%           | 23%           | 24%                                 | 23%                   | 19%                   | 17%   | 20%          | 20%    | 20%           | 24%           | 20%                  | 19%                          | 23%                          | 22%                         | 35%                               | 33%  | 15%   | 13%                                     |





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Q.3 Do you, or would you, trust each of the following politicians to see the country through the current economic situation? Base: All respondents

Which of the following best describes your current working

|                              |          |               |               |               |                                     |                       | Region                |         |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              | stat                        | tus?                              |  |                                 |                                |
|------------------------------|----------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------|--------------|--------|---------------|---------------|----------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
|                              | _Total   | Scot-<br>land | North<br>East | North<br>West | York-<br>shire &<br>Humb-<br>erside | West<br>Mid-<br>lands | East<br>Mid-<br>lands | _Wales_ | East-<br>ern | London | South<br>East | South<br>West | NET:<br>Work-<br>ing | Work-<br>ing<br>full<br>time | Work-<br>ing<br>part<br>time | NET:<br>Not<br>work-<br>ing | Not<br>working<br>seeking<br>work | Not<br>working<br>and not<br>seeking<br>work | Retired on a state pension only | Retired with a private pension |
| Weighted base                | 2057     | 179           | 93            | 242           | 181                                 | 190                   | 160                   | 109     | 193          | 259    | 264           | 188           | 1152                 | 905                          | 247                          | 905                         | 124                               | 118  | 124                             | 362                            |
| Leader of the Opposition, Ed | Miliband |               |               |               |                                     |                       |                       |         |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |                                 |                                |
| Yes                          | 337      | 27            | 18            | 40            | 34                                  | 28                    | 31                    | 24      | 23           | 50     | 39            | 23            | 205                  | 156                          | 49                           | 132                         | 21                                | 24   | 24                              | 35                             |
|                              | 16%      | 15%           | 19%           | 17%           | 19%                                 | 15%                   | 19%                   | 22%     | 12%          | 19%    | 15%           | 12%           | 18%                  | 17%                          | 20%                          | 15%                         | 17%                               | 20%  | 20%                             | 10%                            |
| No                           | 1271     | 116           | 55            | 146           | 108                                 | 107                   | 100                   | 58      | 131          | 154    | 171           | 125           | 699                  | 553                          | 146                          | 572                         | 58                                | 52   | 80                              | 293                            |
|                              | 62%      | 65%           | 59%           | 60%           | 59%                                 | 56%                   | 63%                   | 53%     | 68%          | 60%    | 65%           | 67%           | 61%                  | 61%                          | 59%                          | 63%                         | 47%                               | 44%  | 64%                             | 81%                            |
| Don't know                   | 449      | 36            | 20            | 56            | 40                                  | 55                    | 29                    | 26      | 39           | 54     | 55            | 39            | 248                  | 196                          | 52                           | 201                         | 44                                | 42   | 20                              | 33                             |
|                              | 22%      | 20%           | 22%           | 23%           | 22%                                 | 29%                   | 18%                   | 24%     | 20%          | 21%    | 21%           | 21%           | 22%                  | 22%                          | 21%                          | 22%                         | 36%                               | 35%  | 16%                             | 9%                             |
| Shadow Chancellor, Ed Balls  |          |               |               |               |                                     |                       |                       |         |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |                                 |                                |
| Yes                          | 307      | 19            | 22            | 32            | 33                                  | 26                    | 32                    | 19      | 29           | 39     | 34            | 22            | 173                  | 131                          | 41                           | 134                         | 17                                | 13   | 24                              | 57                             |
|                              | 15%      | 11%           | 23%           | 13%           | 18%                                 | 14%                   | 20%                   | 17%     | 15%          | 15%    | 13%           | 12%           | 15%                  | 15%                          | 17%                          | 15%                         | 14%                               | 11%  | 20%                             | 16%                            |
| No                           | 1239     | 112           | 50            | 140           | 104                                 | 105                   | 102                   | 64      | 123          | 145    | 169           | 125           | 702                  | 560                          | 142                          | 536                         | 49                                | 56   | 76                              | 264                            |
|                              | 60%      | 63%           | 54%           | 58%           | 57%                                 | 55%                   | 64%                   | 59%     | 64%          | 56%    | 64%           | 67%           | 61%                  | 62%                          | 57%                          | 59%                         | 40%                               | 47%  | 61%                             | 73%                            |
| Don't know                   | 511      | 47            | 21            | 70            | 45                                  | 59                    | 26                    | 27      | 40           | 75     | 61            | 40            | 277                  | 213                          | 64                           | 234                         | 57                                | 49   | 24                              | 41                             |
|                              | 25%      | 26%           | 23%           | 29%           | 25%                                 | 31%                   | 16%                   | 24%     | 21%          | 29%    | 23%           | 22%           | 24%                  | 24%                          | 26%                          | 26%                         | 46%                               | 42%  | 19%                             | 11%                            |





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### Table 3

Q.3 Do you, or would you, trust each of the following politicians to see the country through the current economic situation? Base: All respondents

|                               | _Total_     | Which of the following best describes your current working status? House person |
|-------------------------------|-------------|---|
| Unweighted base               | 2057        | 211   |
| Weighted base                 | 2057        | 178   |
| Chancellor of the Exchequer,  | George O    | sborne  |
| Yes                           | 513<br>25%  | 22<br>12%   |
| No                            | 1073<br>52% | 95<br>54%   |
| Don't know                    | 472<br>23%  | 61<br>34%   |
| Prime Minister, David Camero  | <u>n</u>    |   |
| Yes                           | 739<br>36%  | 50<br>28%   |
| No                            | 965<br>47%  | 85<br>48%   |
| Don't know                    | 353<br>17%  | 43<br>24%   |
| Deputy Prime Minister, Nick C | legg        |   |
| Yes                           | 362<br>18%  | 27<br>15%   |
| No                            | 1266<br>62% | 101<br>57%  |
| Don't know                    | 429         | 50  |





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Q.3 Do you, or would you, trust each of the following politicians to see the country through the current economic situation? Base: All respondents

|                                | Total       | Which of the following best describ es your current working status? House person |
|--------------------------------|-------------|--|
| Weighted base                  | 2057        | 178  |
| Leader of the Opposition, Ed M | /liliband   |  |
| Yes                            | 337<br>16%  | 28<br>15%  |
| No                             | 1271<br>62% | 88<br>49%  |
| Don't know                     | 449<br>22%  | 62<br>35%  |
| Shadow Chancellor, Ed Balls    |             |  |
| Yes                            | 307<br>15%  | 23<br>13%  |
| No                             | 1239<br>60% | 92<br>52%  |
| Don't know                     | 511<br>25%  | 63<br>35%  |





Table 4
Q.4 Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?
Base: All respondents

|                               |            | Gei      | nder       |           |            | Ą          | ge        |       |     |     | Social | Grade |     | Employ<br>Sec | tor          |
|-------------------------------|------------|----------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|-------|-----|-----|--------|-------|-----|---------------|--------------|
|                               | Total      | Male     | Female     | 18-24     | 25-34      | 35-44      | 45-54     | 55-64 | 65+ | AB  | C1     | C2    | DE  | Public        | Pri-<br>vate |
| Unweighted base               | 2057       | 916      | 1141       | 224       | 336        | 396        | 374       | 332   | 395 | 722 | 542    | 315   | 478 | 311           | 784          |
| Weighted base                 | 2057       | 1008     | 1049       | 247       | 329        | 391        | 350       | 309   | 432 | 555 | 597    | 432   | 473 | 306           | 846          |
| I am cutting back on spendi   | ng now be  | cause I  | think ther | e will be | a second   | d recessi  | on soon   |       |     |     |        |       |     |               |              |
| Agree                         | 1203       | 530      | 672        | 133       | 197        | 248        | 237       | 194   | 194 | 282 | 352    | 261   | 307 | 216           | 484          |
|                               | 58%        | 53%      | 64%        | 54%       | 60%        | 64%        | 68%       | 63%   | 45% | 51% | 59%    | 60%   | 65% | 70%           | 57%          |
| Disagree                      | 567        | 342      | 224        | 71        | 74         | 94         | 71        | 80    | 177 | 207 | 163    | 110   | 86  | 62            | 238          |
|                               | 28%        | 34%      | 21%        | 29%       | 22%        | 24%        | 20%       | 26%   | 41% | 37% | 27%    | 26%   | 18% | 20%           | 28%          |
| Don't know                    | 288        | 135      | 153        | 43        | 59         | 49         | 43        | 35    | 60  | 66  | 81     | 60    | 80  | 28            | 123          |
|                               | 14%        | 13%      | 15%        | 17%       | 18%        | 12%        | 12%       | 11%   | 14% | 12% | 14%    | 14%   | 17% | 9%            | 15%          |
| I am looking seriously at all | areas of r | ny house | ehold or f | amily's s | pending    | to see wl  | hat can b | e cut |     |     |        |       |     |               |              |
| Agree                         | 1566       | 728      | 838        | 160       | 236        | 317        | 301       | 249   | 302 | 387 | 462    | 332   | 386 | 243           | 652          |
|                               | 76%        | 72%      | 80%        | 65%       | 72%        | 81%        | 86%       | 81%   | 70% | 70% | 77%    | 77%   | 81% | 80%           | 77%          |
| Disagree                      | 356        | 212      | 144        | 48        | 60         | 52         | 30        | 52    | 114 | 130 | 104    | 75    | 47  | 49            | 138          |
|                               | 17%        | 21%      | 14%        | 19%       | 18%        | 13%        | 9%        | 17%   | 26% | 23% | 17%    | 17%   | 10% | 16%           | 16%          |
| Don't know                    | 135        | 68       | 67         | 39        | 32         | 22         | 18        | 7     | 16  | 38  | 30     | 25    | 41  | 14            | 56           |
|                               | 7%         | 7%       | 6%         | 16%       | 10%        | 6%         | 5%        | 2%    | 4%  | 7%  | 5%     | 6%    | 9%  | 5%            | 7%           |
| I have more money to spend    | d on non-e | ssential | items no   | w than I  | did last y | <u>ear</u> |           |       |     |     |        |       |     |               |              |
| Agree                         | 270        | 157      | 113        | 61        | 59         | 48         | 27        | 31    | 44  | 74  | 97     | 54    | 45  | 38            | 141          |
|                               | 13%        | 16%      | 11%        | 25%       | 18%        | 12%        | 8%        | 10%   | 10% | 13% | 16%    | 12%   | 10% | 12%           | 17%          |
| Disagree                      | 1642       | 777      | 865        | 151       | 235        | 313        | 309       | 269   | 365 | 442 | 464    | 348   | 388 | 253           | 645          |
|                               | 80%        | 77%      | 82%        | 61%       | 71%        | 80%        | 88%       | 87%   | 85% | 80% | 78%    | 81%   | 82% | 83%           | 76%          |
| Don't know                    | 145        | 74       | 71         | 35        | 35         | 30         | 14        | 9     | 22  | 39  | 35     | 30    | 40  | 16            | 60           |
|                               | 7%         | 7%       | 7%         | 14%       | 11%        | 8%         | 4%        | 3%    | 5%  | 7%  | 6%     | 7%    | 8%  | 5%            | 7%           |





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Table 4
Q.4 Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?
Base: All respondents

|                                 |           | Gei       | nder       |          |            | Ag          | ge        |           |           |     | Social | Grade |     | Employ<br>Sec | ctor         |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|----------|------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----|--------|-------|-----|---------------|--------------|
|                                 | Total     | Male      | Female     | 18-24    | 25-34      | 35-44       | 45-54     | 55-64     | 65+       | AB  | C1     | C2    | DE  | Public        | Pri-<br>vate |
| Weighted base                   | 2057      | 1008      | 1049       | 247      | 329        | 391         | 350       | 309       | 432       | 555 | 597    | 432   | 473 | 306           | 846          |
| My personal financial situation | on is gen | erally he | ading in t | he right | direction  | •           |           |           |           |     |        |       |     |               |              |
| Agree                           | 640       | 360       | 280        | 77       | 115        | 109         | 78        | 98        | 162       | 216 | 199    | 114   | 111 | 88            | 297          |
|                                 | 31%       | 36%       | 27%        | 31%      | 35%        | 28%         | 22%       | 32%       | 38%       | 39% | 33%    | 26%   | 24% | 29%           | 35%          |
| Disagree                        | 1170      | 532       | 639        | 123      | 166        | 237         | 231       | 188       | 224       | 269 | 325    | 278   | 299 | 185           | 461          |
|                                 | 57%       | 53%       | 61%        | 50%      | 51%        | 61%         | 66%       | 61%       | 52%       | 48% | 54%    | 64%   | 63% | 61%           | 55%          |
| Don't know                      | 247       | 116       | 130        | 46       | 47         | 44          | 41        | 22        | 46        | 71  | 73     | 40    | 63  | 33            | 87           |
|                                 | 12%       | 12%       | 12%        | 19%      | 14%        | 11%         | 12%       | 7%        | 11%       | 13% | 12%    | 9%    | 13% | 11%           | 10%          |
| I am confident that the comp    | any I wor | k for wil | l be more  | success  | ful finan  | cially in t | he next y | ear, than | last year |     |        |       |     |               |              |
| Agree                           | 437       | 259       | 177        | 76       | 117        | 118         | 47        | 54        | 24        | 131 | 148    | 89    | 69  | 58            | 326          |
|                                 | 21%       | 26%       | 17%        | 31%      | 35%        | 30%         | 14%       | 17%       | 6%        | 24% | 25%    | 21%   | 15% | 19%           | 39%          |
| Disagree                        | 600       | 291       | 310        | 63       | 108        | 134         | 135       | 97        | 64        | 150 | 191    | 143   | 116 | 152           | 272          |
|                                 | 29%       | 29%       | 30%        | 25%      | 33%        | 34%         | 38%       | 31%       | 15%       | 27% | 32%    | 33%   | 25% | 50%           | 32%          |
| Don't know                      | 1020      | 458       | 562        | 108      | 105        | 138         | 168       | 158       | 344       | 274 | 258    | 200   | 288 | 97            | 248          |
|                                 | 50%       | 45%       | 54%        | 44%      | 32%        | 35%         | 48%       | 51%       | 80%       | 49% | 43%    | 46%   | 61% | 32%           | 29%          |
| I expect that there will be mo  | re redun  | dancies   | made at n  | ny workp | lace in th | ne next y   | ear, than | last year |           |     |        |       |     |               |              |
| Agree                           | 617       | 319       | 298        | 76       | 123        | 138         | 126       | 91        | 63        | 148 | 209    | 132   | 129 | 158           | 270          |
|                                 | 30%       | 32%       | 28%        | 31%      | 37%        | 35%         | 36%       | 30%       | 15%       | 27% | 35%    | 30%   | 27% | 52%           | 32%          |
| Disagree                        | 512       | 279       | 233        | 73       | 107        | 120         | 87        | 73        | 52        | 167 | 142    | 118   | 84  | 91            | 339          |
|                                 | 25%       | 28%       | 22%        | 30%      | 32%        | 31%         | 25%       | 24%       | 12%       | 30% | 24%    | 27%   | 18% | 30%           | 40%          |
| Don't know                      | 928       | 410       | 517        | 98       | 99         | 132         | 136       | 145       | 317       | 240 | 246    | 182   | 260 | 57            | 237          |
|                                 | 45%       | 41%       | 49%        | 40%      | 30%        | 34%         | 39%       | 47%       | 73%       | 43% | 41%    | 42%   | 55% | 19%           | 28%          |





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Q.4 Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

Base: All respondents

Which of the following best describes your current workin

|                                 |             |             |               |               |                                     |                       | Region                |       |              |        |               |               |                      | Which o                      | f the follow                 | ing best de<br>stat         |                                   | our current                                  | working                                     |                                |
|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------|--------------|--------|---------------|---------------|----------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|--------------------------------|
|                                 | _Total_     | Scot-       | North<br>East | North<br>West | York-<br>shire &<br>Humb-<br>erside | West<br>Mid-<br>lands | East<br>Mid-<br>lands | Wales | East-<br>ern | London | South<br>East | South<br>West | NET:<br>Work-<br>ing | Work-<br>ing<br>full<br>time | Work-<br>ing<br>part<br>time | NET:<br>Not<br>work-<br>ing | Not<br>working<br>seeking<br>work | Not<br>working<br>and not<br>seeking<br>work | Retired<br>on a<br>state<br>pension<br>only | Retired with a private pension |
| Unweighted base                 | 2057        | 165         | 96            | 252           | 174                                 | 194                   | 167                   | 92    | 173          | 244    | 300           | 200           | 1095                 | 735                          | 360                          | 962                         | 148                               | 122  | 111   | 370                            |
| Weighted base                   | 2057        | 179         | 93            | 242           | 181                                 | 190                   | 160                   | 109   | 193          | 259    | 264           | 188           | 1152                 | 905                          | 247                          | 905                         | 124                               | 118  | 124   | 362                            |
| I am cutting back on spending   | ng now bec  | ause I thir | nk there wi   | ill be a sec  | ond reces                           | sion soon             | 1                     |       |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |   |                                |
| Agree                           | 1203        | 111         | 56            | 156           | 92                                  | 113                   | 95                    | 77    | 100          | 141    | 153           | 108           | 700                  | 546                          | 154                          | 503                         | 86                                | 65   | 76  | 146                            |
|                                 | 58%         | 62%         | 60%           | 65%           | 50%                                 | 59%                   | 59%                   | 71%   | 52%          | 54%    | 58%           | 58%           | 61%                  | 60%                          | 62%                          | 56%                         | 70%                               | 55%  | 61%   | 40%                            |
| Disagree                        | 567         | 46          | 27            | 53            | 56                                  | 41                    | 44                    | 21    | 65           | 80     | 76            | 59            | 300                  | 243                          | 57                           | 266                         | 16                                | 28   | 30  | 162                            |
|                                 | 28%         | 26%         | 29%           | 22%           | 31%                                 | 22%                   | 27%                   | 19%   | 34%          | 31%    | 29%           | 31%           | 26%                  | 27%                          | 23%                          | 29%                         | 13%                               | 24%  | 24%   | 45%                            |
| Don't know                      | 288         | 21          | 10            | 33            | 34                                  | 36                    | 21                    | 11    | 27           | 38     | 35            | 20            | 152                  | 116                          | 36                           | 136                         | 21                                | 24   | 19  | 54                             |
|                                 | 14%         | 12%         | 11%           | 14%           | 19%                                 | 19%                   | 13%                   | 10%   | 14%          | 15%    | 13%           | 11%           | 13%                  | 13%                          | 14%                          | 15%                         | 17%                               | 21%  | 15%   | 15%                            |
| I am looking seriously at all a | areas of my | y househo   | ld or famil   | y's spendi    | ing to see                          | what can I            | be cut                |       |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |   |                                |
| Agree                           | 1566        | 149         | 72            | 176           | 135                                 | 151                   | 117                   | 82    | 149          | 184    | 209           | 142           | 895                  | 693                          | 202                          | 671                         | 98                                | 79   | 100   | 243                            |
|                                 | 76%         | 84%         | 78%           | 73%           | 74%                                 | 79%                   | 73%                   | 76%   | 77%          | 71%    | 79%           | 76%           | 78%                  | 77%                          | 82%                          | 74%                         | 80%                               | 67%  | 81%   | 67%                            |
| Disagree                        | 356         | 20          | 17            | 43            | 35                                  | 23                    | 36                    | 24    | 31           | 48     | 45            | 34            | 187                  | 154                          | 32                           | 169                         | 8                                 | 20   | 20  | 103                            |
|                                 | 17%         | 11%         | 18%           | 18%           | 19%                                 | 12%                   | 22%                   | 22%   | 16%          | 18%    | 17%           | 18%           | 16%                  | 17%                          | 13%                          | 19%                         | 6%                                | 17%  | 16%   | 29%                            |
| Don't know                      | 135         | 9           | 4             | 22            | 12                                  | 16                    | 7                     | 3     | 13           | 27     | 10            | 12            | 70                   | 58                           | 13                           | 64                          | 17                                | 18   | 3   | 16                             |
|                                 | 7%          | 5%          | 4%            | 9%            | 7%                                  | 8%                    | 4%                    | 3%    | 7%           | 11%    | 4%            | 6%            | 6%                   | 6%                           | 5%                           | 7%                          | 14%                               | 15%  | 3%  | 4%                             |
| I have more money to spend      | on non-es   | sential ite | ms now th     | an I did la   | st year                             |                       |                       |       |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |   |                                |
| Agree                           | 270         | 13          | 15            | 33            | 17                                  | 21                    | 16                    | 19    | 18           | 51     | 38            | 28            | 179                  | 139                          | 40                           | 92                          | 10                                | 19   | 10  | 39                             |
|                                 | 13%         | 8%          | 16%           | 14%           | 9%                                  | 11%                   | 10%                   | 17%   | 9%           | 20%    | 15%           | 15%           | 15%                  | 15%                          | 16%                          | 10%                         | 8%                                | 16%  | 8%  | 11%                            |
| Disagree                        | 1642        | 158         | 73            | 195           | 153                                 | 153                   | 134                   | 86    | 159          | 177    | 202           | 152           | 897                  | 705                          | 192                          | 744                         | 99                                | 84   | 109   | 305                            |
|                                 | 80%         | 89%         | 78%           | 81%           | 84%                                 | 80%                   | 84%                   | 79%   | 83%          | 69%    | 76%           | 81%           | 78%                  | 78%                          | 78%                          | 82%                         | 80%                               | 71%  | 88%   | 84%                            |
| Don't know                      | 145         | 7           | 5             | 14            | 12                                  | 16                    | 9                     | 5     | 16           | 30     | 24            | 7             | 76                   | 61                           | 15                           | 69                          | 15                                | 15   | 5   | 18                             |
|                                 | 7%          | 4%          | 6%            | 6%            | 7%                                  | 9%                    | 6%                    | 4%    | 8%           | 12%    | 9%            | 4%            | 7%                   | 7%                           | 6%                           | 8%                          | 12%                               | 13%  | 4%  | 5%                             |





Table 4

Q.4 Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

Base: All respondents

Which of the following best describes your current working

|                                 |             |             |               |               |                                     |                       | Region                |           |              |        |               |               |                      | wnich o                      | of the follow                | ing best d<br>stat          | escribes yo<br>tus?               | our current                                  | working                         |                                |
|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------|--------------|--------|---------------|---------------|----------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
|                                 | _Total      | Scot-       | North<br>East | North<br>West | York-<br>shire &<br>Humb-<br>erside | West<br>Mid-<br>lands | East<br>Mid-<br>lands | Wales     | East-<br>ern | London | South<br>East | South<br>West | NET:<br>Work-<br>ing | Work-<br>ing<br>full<br>time | Work-<br>ing<br>part<br>time | NET:<br>Not<br>work-<br>ing | Not<br>working<br>seeking<br>work | Not<br>working<br>and not<br>seeking<br>work | Retired on a state pension only | Retired with a private pension |
| Weighted base                   | 2057        | 179         | 93            | 242           | 181                                 | 190                   | 160                   | 109       | 193          | 259    | 264           | 188           | 1152                 | 905                          | 247                          | 905                         | 124                               | 118  | 124                             | 362                            |
| My personal financial situation | on is gener | ally headi  | ng in the r   | ight direc    | tion_                               |                       |                       |           |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |                                 |                                |
| Agree                           | 640         | 34          | 24            | 73            | 57                                  | 59                    | 50                    | 25        | 71           | 96     | 85            | 65            | 386                  | 311                          | 75                           | 254                         | 21                                | 24   | 31                              | 142                            |
|                                 | 31%         | 19%         | 26%           | 30%           | 32%                                 | 31%                   | 31%                   | 23%       | 37%          | 37%    | 32%           | 34%           | 33%                  | 34%                          | 30%                          | 28%                         | 17%                               | 21%  | 25%                             | 39%                            |
| Disagree                        | 1170        | 121         | 54            | 136           | 105                                 | 100                   | 98                    | 69        | 104          | 122    | 157           | 104           | 646                  | 508                          | 138                          | 524                         | 84                                | 69   | 82                              | 175                            |
|                                 | 57%         | 68%         | 59%           | 56%           | 58%                                 | 53%                   | 61%                   | 63%       | 54%          | 47%    | 59%           | 55%           | 56%                  | 56%                          | 56%                          | 58%                         | 68%                               | 58%  | 66%                             | 48%                            |
| Don't know                      | 247         | 24          | 14            | 33            | 19                                  | 32                    | 12                    | 15        | 17           | 40     | 22            | 19            | 120                  | 86                           | 34                           | 127                         | 19                                | 25   | 11                              | 45                             |
|                                 | 12%         | 13%         | 15%           | 13%           | 11%                                 | 17%                   | 8%                    | 14%       | 9%           | 16%    | 8%            | 10%           | 10%                  | 9%                           | 14%                          | 14%                         | 15%                               | 21%  | 9%                              | 12%                            |
| I am confident that the comp    | any I work  | for will be | e more suc    | cessful fi    | nancially ir                        | the next              | year, than            | last year |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |                                 |                                |
| Agree                           | 437         | 36          | 20            | 42            | 30                                  | 45                    | 36                    | 15        | 41           | 74     | 56            | 44            | 384                  | 319                          | 65                           | 53                          | 12                                | 12   | 2                               | 12                             |
|                                 | 21%         | 20%         | 21%           | 17%           | 16%                                 | 23%                   | 22%                   | 14%       | 21%          | 29%    | 21%           | 23%           | 33%                  | 35%                          | 26%                          | 6%                          | 10%                               | 10%  | 2%                              | 3%                             |
| Disagree                        | 600         | 63          | 24            | 74            | 54                                  | 59                    | 34                    | 47        | 40           | 74     | 79            | 51            | 423                  | 332                          | 92                           | 177                         | 35                                | 30   | 21                              | 57                             |
|                                 | 29%         | 35%         | 26%           | 31%           | 30%                                 | 31%                   | 21%                   | 43%       | 21%          | 29%    | 30%           | 27%           | 37%                  | 37%                          | 37%                          | 20%                         | 28%                               | 25%  | 17%                             | 16%                            |
| Don't know                      | 1020        | 79          | 49            | 126           | 97                                  | 87                    | 90                    | 47        | 111          | 111    | 129           | 93            | 345                  | 254                          | 91                           | 675                         | 77                                | 76   | 101                             | 293                            |
|                                 | 50%         | 44%         | 53%           | 52%           | 54%                                 | 46%                   | 56%                   | 43%       | 58%          | 43%    | 49%           | 49%           | 30%                  | 28%                          | 37%                          | 75%                         | 62%                               | 65%  | 81%                             | 81%                            |
| I expect that there will be mo  | ore redunda | ncies ma    | de at my w    | orkplace/     | in the next                         | year, thar            | last year             |           |              |        |               |               |                      |                              |                              |                             |                                   |  |                                 |                                |
| Agree                           | 617         | 64          | 20            | 89            | 61                                  | 60                    | 33                    | 38        | 36           | 83     | 82            | 52            | 428                  | 338                          | 90                           | 189                         | 40                                | 29   | 22                              | 59                             |
|                                 | 30%         | 36%         | 22%           | 37%           | 34%                                 | 32%                   | 21%                   | 35%       | 19%          | 32%    | 31%           | 28%           | 37%                  | 37%                          | 36%                          | 21%                         | 32%                               | 24%  | 18%                             | 16%                            |
| Disagree                        | 512         | 35          | 20            | 51            | 41                                  | 53                    | 38                    | 18        | 61           | 73     | 59            | 63            | 430                  | 348                          | 82                           | 82                          | 16                                | 18   | 5                               | 29                             |
|                                 | 25%         | 19%         | 22%           | 21%           | 23%                                 | 28%                   | 24%                   | 17%       | 32%          | 28%    | 22%           | 34%           | 37%                  | 38%                          | 33%                          | 9%                          | 13%                               | 15%  | 4%                              | 8%                             |
| Don't know                      | 928         | 80          | 53            | 102           | 80                                  | 77                    | 89                    | 53        | 96           | 103    | 123           | 72            | 294                  | 219                          | 75                           | 634                         | 67                                | 71   | 97                              | 274                            |
|                                 | 45%         | 45%         | 57%           | 42%           | 44%                                 | 41%                   | 56%                   | 48%       | 50%          | 40%    | 47%           | 39%           | 26%                  | 24%                          | 30%                          | 70%                         | 54%                               | 60%  | 78%                             | 76%                            |





Table 4

Unweighted base Weighted base

Q.4 Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements? Base: All respondents

Which of the following best describ es your current working status? House Total person 2057 211

I am cutting back on spending now because I think there will be a second recession soon

 Agree
 1203 130 58% 73%

 Disagree
 567 31 28% 17%

 Don't know
 288 18 14% 10%

I am looking seriously at all areas of my household or family's spending to see what can be cut

Agree 1566 151
76% 85%

Disagree 356 17
17% 10%

Don't know 135 10
7% 6%

I have more money to spend on non-essential items now than I did last year

 Agree
 270 14 13% 8%

 Disagree
 1642 80% 83%

 Don't know
 145 16 7% 9%





Table 4

Weighted base

Q.4 Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

Base: All respondents

Which of the following best describ es your current working status? House I person

My personal financial situation is generally heading in the right direction

 
 Agree
 640 31%
 36 20%

 Disagree
 1170 57%
 114 64%

 Don't know
 247 12%
 27 15%

 $\underline{\textbf{I am confident that the company I work for will be more successful financially in the next year, than last year}$ 

 Agree
 437 15 21% 8%

 Disagree
 600 34 29% 19%

 Don't know
 1020 129 50% 72%

I expect that there will be more redundancies made at my workplace in the next year, than last year

Agree 617 40 30% 23%

Disagree 512 14 25% 8%

Don't know 928 124 45% 70%



