

Cuts Index Survey

ONLINE Fieldwork : 17th - 19th June 2011

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	Gender			Age						Social Class				Region				
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Unweighted base	2003	948	1055	205	338	425	360	319	356	682	516	310	495	519	505	497	304	178
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<u>The state of the UK economy</u>																		
Better	223 11%	134 14%	89 9%	53 22%	49 15%	37 10%	21 6%	26 9%	37 9%	88 16%	75 13%	34 8%	26 6%	66 13%	58 11%	45 9%	36 12%	18 10%
Worse	1116 56%	505 51%	612 60%	104 43%	163 51%	201 53%	217 64%	182 61%	249 59%	273 50%	308 53%	234 56%	302 65%	274 54%	275 52%	308 61%	150 52%	110 63%
No change	663 33%	343 35%	320 31%	84 35%	109 34%	142 37%	102 30%	93 31%	135 32%	180 33%	198 34%	153 36%	133 29%	169 33%	195 37%	150 30%	103 36%	47 27%
<u>Your personal financial situation</u>																		
Better	220 11%	114 12%	106 10%	46 19%	56 18%	40 11%	32 9%	24 8%	21 5%	64 12%	79 14%	40 10%	36 8%	72 14%	48 9%	55 11%	32 11%	12 7%
Worse	929 46%	430 44%	499 49%	121 50%	141 44%	171 45%	183 54%	152 50%	161 38%	234 43%	267 46%	180 43%	248 54%	227 45%	224 42%	250 50%	138 48%	91 52%
No change	854 43%	437 45%	417 41%	73 30%	123 39%	169 44%	125 37%	125 41%	239 57%	242 45%	235 40%	201 48%	177 38%	210 41%	257 49%	198 39%	119 41%	71 41%
<u>Your job security/prospects</u>																		
Base: All working full/ part time/ Students/ Not working seeking work																		
Total	1343	695	648	228	276	338	279	162	60	357	464	294	227	367	338	329	204	105
Better	167 12%	90 13%	77 12%	52 23%	42 15%	41 12%	17 6%	14 9%	1 2%	51 14%	62 13%	33 11%	20 9%	53 14%	37 11%	42 13%	22 11%	13 12%
Worse	428 32%	207 30%	221 34%	74 32%	92 33%	103 31%	98 35%	49 30%	12 20%	102 29%	151 32%	83 28%	92 41%	126 34%	97 29%	120 36%	55 27%	31 29%
No change	748 56%	398 57%	350 54%	102 45%	142 52%	194 57%	164 59%	99 61%	47 78%	203 57%	252 54%	178 60%	115 50%	188 51%	204 60%	168 51%	126 62%	61 59%

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<u>The state of the UK economy</u>												
Better	223	18	13	19	13	17	13	21	38	28	23	21
	11%	10%	14%	8%	7%	9%	12%	11%	15%	11%	13%	13%
Worse	1116	110	54	144	110	99	56	102	122	152	94	75
	56%	63%	59%	61%	62%	53%	53%	54%	49%	59%	51%	48%
No change	663	47	24	72	54	70	38	65	92	77	65	60
	33%	27%	26%	31%	30%	38%	36%	35%	36%	30%	36%	39%
<u>Your personal financial situation</u>												
Better	220	12	11	25	20	14	12	15	45	27	20	18
	11%	7%	12%	10%	11%	8%	12%	8%	18%	10%	11%	12%
Worse	929	91	53	110	87	92	44	81	108	119	94	51
	46%	52%	58%	47%	49%	50%	42%	43%	43%	46%	51%	33%
No change	854	71	27	101	70	79	50	91	99	111	69	87
	43%	41%	30%	43%	39%	43%	47%	49%	39%	43%	38%	56%
<u>Your job security/ prospects</u>												
Base: All working full/ part time/ Students/ Not working seeking work												
Total	1343	105	65	153	112	130	74	116	203	164	130	93
Better	167	13	10	20	12	11	7	15	30	23	15	11
	12%	12%	15%	13%	11%	8%	10%	13%	15%	14%	12%	12%
Worse	428	31	28	51	40	49	21	29	78	48	34	19
	32%	29%	44%	34%	36%	37%	29%	25%	38%	29%	26%	21%
No change	748	61	27	81	60	70	45	72	95	93	81	62
	56%	59%	41%	53%	53%	54%	61%	62%	47%	57%	62%	67%

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<u>My personal financial situation</u>																		
More worried	998	443	555	152	172	195	190	148	142	243	290	208	257	252	245	267	137	96
	50%	45%	54%	63%	54%	51%	56%	49%	34%	45%	50%	49%	56%	50%	46%	53%	48%	55%
Less worried	197	100	96	33	49	37	25	29	24	59	70	38	30	68	40	51	25	13
	10%	10%	9%	14%	15%	10%	7%	10%	6%	11%	12%	9%	7%	13%	8%	10%	9%	7%
No difference	808	438	370	55	99	149	125	124	255	239	221	175	173	189	243	185	127	65
	40%	45%	36%	23%	31%	39%	37%	41%	61%	44%	38%	42%	38%	37%	46%	37%	44%	37%
<u>My family's future</u>																		
More worried	899	379	520	117	154	167	166	141	153	231	246	190	232	220	233	229	127	90
	45%	39%	51%	49%	48%	44%	49%	47%	36%	43%	42%	45%	50%	43%	44%	46%	44%	52%
Less worried	202	112	90	40	48	40	21	25	28	67	64	35	35	74	42	49	28	9
	10%	11%	9%	17%	15%	10%	6%	8%	7%	12%	11%	8%	8%	14%	8%	10%	10%	5%
No difference	902	491	411	83	118	174	153	134	240	242	271	195	194	215	254	224	133	76
	45%	50%	40%	34%	37%	46%	45%	45%	57%	45%	47%	46%	42%	42%	48%	45%	46%	44%
<u>The state of the economy</u>																		
More worried	1075	489	586	99	163	203	205	174	231	269	300	219	286	257	274	291	145	108
	54%	50%	57%	41%	51%	53%	60%	58%	55%	50%	52%	52%	62%	51%	52%	58%	50%	62%
Less worried	183	122	61	44	36	31	20	18	35	68	63	28	25	59	41	36	39	8
	9%	12%	6%	18%	11%	8%	6%	6%	8%	13%	11%	7%	5%	12%	8%	7%	14%	5%
No difference	745	371	374	97	122	147	116	108	155	204	218	174	149	193	214	176	105	57
	37%	38%	37%	40%	38%	39%	34%	36%	37%	38%	38%	41%	32%	38%	40%	35%	36%	33%
<u>Anti-social behaviour in my neighbourhood</u>																		
More worried	437	239	198	54	85	77	77	65	78	121	112	84	121	107	101	141	46	43
	22%	24%	19%	23%	27%	20%	23%	22%	19%	22%	19%	20%	26%	21%	19%	28%	16%	25%
Less worried	238	119	119	37	44	42	32	36	47	49	71	64	55	81	54	48	36	20
	12%	12%	12%	15%	14%	11%	10%	12%	11%	9%	12%	15%	12%	16%	10%	10%	12%	11%
No difference	1328	623	704	149	191	261	231	199	295	371	398	273	285	322	374	314	207	111
	66%	64%	69%	62%	60%	69%	68%	66%	70%	69%	69%	65%	62%	63%	71%	63%	72%	64%

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Crime																		
More worried	619 31%	316 32%	304 30%	75 31%	103 32%	103 27%	96 28%	96 32%	147 35%	155 29%	167 29%	124 29%	174 38%	156 31%	151 29%	175 35%	81 28%	56 32%
Less worried	161 8%	83 8%	79 8%	29 12%	34 11%	24 6%	26 8%	18 6%	30 7%	32 6%	50 9%	39 9%	40 9%	62 12%	34 6%	34 7%	19 7%	12 7%
No difference	1222 61%	583 59%	639 63%	137 57%	184 57%	253 67%	218 64%	186 62%	244 58%	353 65%	364 63%	258 61%	247 54%	292 57%	343 65%	293 58%	188 65%	105 61%
The threat of social disorder in some communities around the country																		
More worried	768 38%	419 43%	350 34%	69 29%	106 33%	122 32%	126 37%	136 45%	210 50%	220 41%	200 34%	162 39%	186 40%	202 40%	191 36%	203 40%	102 35%	70 40%
Less worried	138 7%	67 7%	72 7%	30 12%	35 11%	28 7%	17 5%	18 6%	10 2%	32 6%	41 7%	34 8%	31 7%	46 9%	36 7%	30 6%	18 6%	9 5%
No difference	1096 55%	496 51%	600 59%	141 59%	180 56%	230 61%	197 58%	146 49%	201 48%	288 53%	340 59%	224 53%	244 53%	261 51%	302 57%	269 54%	168 58%	95 55%

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<u>My personal financial situation</u>												
More worried	998	96	55	118	94	93	45	94	116	136	93	58
	50%	55%	60%	50%	53%	50%	42%	50%	46%	53%	51%	38%
Less worried	197	13	14	20	17	14	10	15	44	24	15	11
	10%	7%	15%	9%	10%	8%	9%	8%	17%	10%	8%	7%
No difference	808	65	22	97	66	78	52	79	92	97	75	87
	40%	37%	24%	41%	37%	42%	49%	42%	37%	38%	41%	56%
<u>My family's future</u>												
More worried	899	90	38	108	83	96	43	80	106	114	84	57
	45%	52%	42%	46%	47%	52%	41%	43%	42%	44%	46%	37%
Less worried	202	9	13	21	15	15	7	17	40	34	22	10
	10%	5%	15%	9%	8%	8%	6%	9%	16%	13%	12%	6%
No difference	902	76	39	106	79	75	56	90	106	109	77	88
	45%	44%	43%	45%	45%	40%	53%	48%	42%	43%	42%	57%
<u>The state of the economy</u>												
More worried	1075	108	49	143	98	103	46	100	125	133	99	71
	54%	62%	54%	61%	56%	56%	44%	53%	50%	52%	54%	45%
Less worried	183	8	12	13	11	11	15	17	34	25	25	14
	9%	5%	14%	5%	6%	6%	14%	9%	14%	10%	14%	9%
No difference	745	57	29	80	67	71	45	71	93	100	59	71
	37%	33%	32%	34%	38%	38%	43%	38%	37%	39%	32%	46%
<u>Anti-social behaviour in my neighbourhood</u>												
More worried	437	43	31	68	42	39	19	35	68	38	27	27
	22%	25%	35%	29%	24%	21%	18%	19%	27%	15%	15%	17%
Less worried	238	20	13	21	15	14	12	27	40	41	24	13
	12%	11%	14%	9%	8%	7%	11%	14%	16%	16%	13%	8%
No difference	1328	111	47	147	121	133	75	126	144	178	131	115
	66%	64%	51%	62%	68%	72%	71%	67%	57%	69%	72%	74%

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No difference	1222 61%	105 61%	52 57%	135 57%	107 61%	124 67%	71 67%	114 61%	130 52%	162 63%	118 64%	105 68%
The threat of social disorder in some communities around the country												
More worried	768 38%	70 40%	34 38%	98 42%	71 40%	75 41%	34 32%	65 34%	97 39%	105 41%	68 37%	51 32%
Less worried	138 7%	9 5%	10 11%	13 6%	7 4%	9 5%	10 9%	16 9%	30 12%	16 6%	9 5%	11 7%
No difference	1096 55%	95 55%	47 51%	124 53%	98 56%	101 55%	62 59%	107 57%	125 50%	137 53%	106 58%	94 61%

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Q5. Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?**Base: All respondents**

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	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid-lands	North Eng-land	Wales & South West	Scot-land
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<u>Public-sector workers are right to take strike action over maintaining their pension plans</u>																		
Agree	955	444	511	136	172	181	169	152	144	246	290	196	223	262	217	253	138	84
	48%	45%	50%	57%	54%	48%	50%	50%	34%	46%	50%	47%	48%	51%	41%	50%	48%	49%
Disagree	730	427	303	50	77	143	120	110	230	217	207	150	156	171	234	157	107	59
	36%	43%	30%	21%	24%	38%	35%	37%	55%	40%	36%	36%	34%	34%	44%	31%	37%	34%
Don't know	319	111	208	54	71	56	51	39	47	77	84	75	82	76	77	92	43	30
	16%	11%	20%	23%	22%	15%	15%	13%	11%	14%	15%	18%	18%	15%	15%	18%	15%	17%
<u>Different groups of public-sector workers should not be permitted deliberately to coordinate the timing of strike action</u>																		
Agree	873	465	408	92	109	165	137	123	246	254	244	196	178	239	257	184	119	73
	44%	47%	40%	38%	34%	43%	40%	41%	58%	47%	42%	47%	39%	47%	49%	37%	41%	42%
Disagree	691	370	321	65	116	126	139	125	120	199	205	125	163	174	160	197	99	61
	34%	38%	31%	27%	36%	33%	41%	42%	28%	37%	35%	30%	35%	34%	30%	39%	34%	35%
Don't know	439	146	293	83	95	89	64	52	55	88	132	100	120	95	111	122	71	40
	22%	15%	29%	35%	30%	23%	19%	17%	13%	16%	23%	24%	26%	19%	21%	24%	25%	23%
<u>The public sector is too large and the Government is right to cut it back</u>																		
Agree	901	526	375	71	117	159	150	146	258	269	253	202	177	226	272	198	136	69
	45%	54%	37%	29%	37%	42%	44%	48%	61%	50%	43%	48%	38%	44%	51%	39%	47%	40%
Disagree	678	298	379	100	115	141	125	96	100	191	217	107	163	177	155	191	92	62
	34%	30%	37%	42%	36%	37%	37%	32%	24%	35%	37%	25%	35%	35%	29%	38%	32%	36%
Don't know	425	157	268	70	88	80	65	59	63	81	111	111	121	106	101	114	60	43
	21%	16%	26%	29%	28%	21%	19%	20%	15%	15%	19%	26%	26%	21%	19%	23%	21%	24%
<u>Public-sector workers are suffering an unfair decline in living standards because of the spending cuts</u>																		
Agree	868	406	463	122	148	156	159	130	154	245	266	173	184	235	207	228	122	78
	43%	41%	45%	51%	46%	41%	47%	43%	37%	45%	46%	41%	40%	46%	39%	45%	42%	45%
Disagree	761	444	317	46	100	147	125	125	217	215	221	164	161	191	236	169	99	65
	38%	45%	31%	19%	31%	39%	37%	42%	52%	40%	38%	39%	35%	38%	45%	34%	34%	38%
Don't know	374	131	242	72	72	77	57	45	50	81	93	84	116	83	86	106	68	31
	19%	13%	24%	30%	22%	20%	17%	15%	12%	15%	16%	20%	25%	16%	16%	21%	23%	18%

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The public sector strikes ultimately stand no chance of succeeding in changing government policy on spending cuts																		
Agree	1091	559	532	107	171	214	176	173	250	292	326	228	245	276	296	262	169	88
	54%	57%	52%	45%	53%	56%	52%	58%	59%	54%	56%	54%	53%	54%	56%	52%	59%	50%
Disagree	352	187	165	37	54	58	78	55	70	111	100	66	76	90	99	90	41	32
	18%	19%	16%	15%	17%	15%	23%	18%	17%	20%	17%	16%	16%	18%	19%	18%	14%	18%
Don't know	560	235	325	96	95	109	87	72	101	138	155	127	140	143	133	150	79	54
	28%	24%	32%	40%	30%	29%	25%	24%	24%	26%	27%	30%	30%	28%	25%	30%	27%	31%
Public sector workers won't win much sympathy for strike action because everyone has to shoulder the burden of cuts																		
Agree	1256	638	618	125	199	219	210	198	304	341	378	276	261	322	343	296	196	99
	63%	65%	61%	52%	62%	58%	62%	66%	72%	63%	65%	66%	57%	63%	65%	59%	68%	57%
Disagree	396	221	175	48	53	84	79	64	69	120	111	77	89	104	99	115	44	33
	20%	22%	17%	20%	16%	22%	23%	21%	16%	22%	19%	18%	19%	20%	19%	23%	15%	19%
Don't know	351	123	228	68	68	77	52	39	47	80	93	68	111	83	86	91	49	42
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Disagree	730	59	28	74	55	70	35	81	69	103	72	83
	36%	34%	31%	32%	31%	38%	33%	43%	27%	40%	40%	53%
Don't know	319	30	19	39	35	27	17	29	38	38	27	22
	16%	17%	21%	16%	20%	15%	16%	15%	15%	15%	15%	14%
Different groups of public-sector workers should not be permitted deliberately to coordinate the timing of strike action												
Agree	873	73	28	91	65	79	44	92	114	125	75	87
	44%	42%	31%	39%	37%	42%	41%	49%	45%	49%	41%	56%
Disagree	691	61	38	82	77	61	33	52	91	84	66	46
	34%	35%	42%	35%	44%	33%	31%	28%	36%	33%	36%	30%
Don't know	439	40	25	63	34	45	29	43	47	48	42	23
	22%	23%	28%	27%	19%	24%	27%	23%	19%	19%	23%	15%
The public sector is too large and the Government is right to cut it back												
Agree	901	69	29	99	70	84	44	96	102	124	92	92
	45%	40%	32%	42%	39%	45%	42%	51%	40%	48%	50%	59%
Disagree	678	62	41	81	69	67	39	57	104	73	53	31
	34%	36%	46%	34%	39%	36%	37%	30%	41%	29%	29%	20%
Don't know	425	43	20	56	38	34	23	35	47	60	38	32
	21%	24%	22%	24%	22%	18%	22%	19%	18%	23%	21%	21%
Public-sector workers are suffering an unfair decline in living standards because of the spending cuts												
Agree	868	78	43	106	78	74	52	80	135	99	70	53
	43%	45%	48%	45%	44%	40%	49%	43%	54%	39%	38%	34%
Disagree	761	65	25	85	60	82	29	77	75	116	70	78
	38%	38%	27%	36%	34%	44%	27%	41%	30%	45%	38%	50%
Don't know	374	31	23	45	38	30	25	31	42	42	43	25
	19%	18%	25%	19%	22%	16%	23%	17%	17%	16%	23%	16%

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Table 3

Q5. Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

Base: All respondents

	Total	Region										
		Scot-land	North East	North West	Yorks & Humber	West Mids	Wales	East-ern	London	South East	South West	East Mids
Weighted base	2003	174	91	235	177	185	106	188	252	257	183	156
<u>The public sector strikes ultimately stand no chance of succeeding in changing government policy on spending cuts</u>												
Agree	1091 54%	88 50%	52 57%	112 48%	98 55%	100 54%	58 55%	97 51%	142 56%	134 52%	111 61%	99 64%
Disagree	352 18%	32 18%	11 12%	46 19%	34 19%	37 20%	14 13%	39 21%	47 19%	43 17%	27 15%	23 15%
Don't know	560 28%	54 31%	28 31%	77 33%	45 25%	48 26%	34 32%	53 28%	63 25%	80 31%	45 25%	33 21%
<u>Public sector workers won't win much sympathy for strike action because everyone has to shoulder the burden of cuts</u>												
Agree	1256 63%	99 57%	52 57%	135 57%	109 62%	102 55%	71 66%	131 70%	143 57%	179 70%	126 69%	110 71%
Disagree	396 20%	33 19%	17 18%	58 25%	41 23%	43 23%	14 13%	34 18%	64 25%	40 16%	30 17%	22 14%
Don't know	351 18%	42 24%	22 24%	42 18%	27 15%	39 21%	22 21%	23 12%	45 18%	38 15%	27 15%	23 15%