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ONLINE Fieldwork : 26th - 29th August 2011

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Q4. Do you think the Coalition Government understands the concerns of each of the following groups?**Base: All respondents**

	Gender			Age						Social Class				Region				
	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
Unweighted base	2024	962	1062	205	339	424	361	318	377	671	496	327	530	532	500	506	300	186
Weighted base	2024	992	1032	243	324	385	344	304	425	546	587	425	466	514	534	508	292	176
People on low incomes																		
Yes	471 23%	268 27%	203 20%	61 25%	71 22%	81 21%	50 14%	82 27%	126 30%	166 30%	140 24%	98 23%	67 14%	128 25%	127 24%	103 20%	86 29%	28 16%
No	1411 70%	667 67%	743 72%	156 64%	220 68%	284 74%	266 77%	209 69%	275 65%	339 62%	408 70%	302 71%	361 78%	351 68%	367 69%	376 74%	183 63%	135 77%
Don't know	142 7%	56 6%	86 8%	26 11%	33 10%	20 5%	28 8%	12 4%	24 6%	41 8%	39 7%	25 6%	37 8%	36 7%	40 7%	29 6%	23 8%	13 7%
People on middle incomes																		
Yes	696 34%	366 37%	330 32%	82 34%	106 33%	111 29%	109 32%	124 41%	165 39%	199 36%	204 35%	150 35%	143 31%	176 34%	192 36%	170 33%	109 37%	50 29%
No	1126 56%	549 55%	577 56%	131 54%	176 54%	241 63%	191 55%	157 52%	230 54%	306 56%	332 57%	229 54%	260 56%	292 57%	288 54%	295 58%	143 49%	107 61%
Don't know	202 10%	77 8%	125 12%	30 12%	42 13%	33 8%	44 13%	22 7%	31 7%	42 8%	52 9%	46 11%	63 13%	46 9%	55 10%	43 8%	40 14%	18 10%
People on high incomes																		
Yes	1508 75%	759 76%	750 73%	164 68%	207 64%	289 75%	250 73%	258 85%	339 80%	428 78%	440 75%	310 73%	331 71%	377 73%	391 73%	382 75%	226 77%	132 75%
No	281 14%	150 15%	132 13%	36 15%	63 19%	61 16%	45 13%	29 10%	48 11%	73 13%	83 14%	57 13%	69 15%	77 15%	78 15%	72 14%	32 11%	22 13%
Don't know	234 12%	84 8%	151 15%	43 18%	54 17%	34 9%	50 14%	16 5%	38 9%	45 8%	65 11%	59 14%	66 14%	61 12%	65 12%	54 11%	34 12%	21 12%
The banks and big business																		
Yes	1244 61%	649 65%	595 58%	141 58%	192 59%	246 64%	211 61%	201 66%	252 59%	365 67%	364 62%	256 60%	259 56%	305 59%	329 62%	313 62%	174 60%	124 70%
No	518 26%	262 26%	256 25%	60 25%	79 24%	103 27%	81 24%	82 27%	112 26%	125 23%	158 27%	105 25%	129 28%	139 27%	139 26%	127 25%	79 27%	33 19%
Don't know	262 13%	82 8%	181 18%	42 17%	52 16%	36 9%	52 15%	21 7%	60 14%	57 10%	65 11%	64 15%	77 17%	71 14%	66 12%	68 13%	39 13%	19 11%

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Small business owners and entrepreneurs																		
Yes	456	257	199	50	61	75	70	82	119	144	137	96	79	117	127	102	81	29
	23%	26%	19%	20%	19%	19%	20%	27%	28%	26%	23%	23%	17%	23%	24%	20%	28%	16%
No	1333	633	700	150	215	267	241	194	267	339	387	286	322	336	337	355	178	128
	66%	64%	68%	62%	66%	69%	70%	64%	63%	62%	66%	67%	69%	65%	63%	70%	61%	73%
Don't know	235	102	133	43	48	43	34	27	39	64	63	43	65	61	71	51	33	19
	12%	10%	13%	18%	15%	11%	10%	9%	9%	12%	11%	10%	14%	12%	13%	10%	11%	11%

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People on low incomes												
Yes	471 23%	28 16%	11 12%	52 22%	40 22%	40 21%	27 25%	41 22%	69 27%	59 23%	59 32%	47 30%
No	1411 70%	135 77%	77 85%	168 71%	130 73%	138 74%	73 68%	136 72%	169 66%	181 70%	110 59%	93 59%
Don't know	142 7%	13 7%	3 3%	18 7%	9 5%	9 5%	7 7%	13 7%	16 6%	20 8%	16 9%	18 11%
People on middle incomes												
Yes	696 34%	50 29%	23 25%	87 37%	60 33%	65 34%	40 37%	52 28%	91 36%	85 33%	69 37%	75 47%
No	1126 56%	107 61%	62 67%	131 55%	102 57%	110 59%	54 50%	118 62%	138 54%	154 59%	90 49%	59 38%
Don't know	202 10%	18 10%	7 8%	19 8%	16 9%	12 7%	13 12%	19 10%	26 10%	20 8%	27 14%	23 15%
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Yes	1508 75%	132 75%	71 77%	181 76%	130 73%	144 77%	88 82%	125 66%	186 73%	191 73%	137 74%	122 78%
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The banks and big business												
Yes	1244 61%	124 70%	59 65%	138 58%	116 65%	130 69%	69 64%	102 54%	160 63%	145 56%	105 57%	97 62%
No	518 26%	33 19%	20 22%	67 28%	40 23%	37 20%	26 24%	65 35%	55 22%	84 32%	54 29%	36 23%
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<u>Small business owners and entrepreneurs</u>												
Yes	456	29	16	44	42	45	29	36	66	51	52	46
	23%	16%	18%	18%	24%	24%	27%	19%	26%	20%	28%	29%
No	1333	128	69	167	118	126	67	127	159	177	111	85
	66%	73%	76%	70%	66%	67%	63%	67%	62%	68%	60%	54%
Don't know	235	19	6	27	19	17	11	27	29	32	22	27
	12%	11%	6%	11%	10%	9%	10%	14%	12%	12%	12%	17%

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Table 2

Q9. How, if at all, do you think the public spending cuts to be announced in the Spending Review will affect you personally?**Base: All respondents**

	Gender			Age						Social Class				Region					
	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	
Unweighted base	2024	962	1062	205	339	424	361	318	377	671	496	327	530	532	500	506	300	186	
Weighted base	2024	992	1032	243	324	385	344	304	425	546	587	425	466	514	534	508	292	176	
NET: Positive	294 15%	166 17%	128 12%	29 12%	46 14%	39 10%	34 10%	51 17%	95 22%	64 12%	86 15%	83 19%	62 13%	96 19%	76 14%	66 13%	32 11%	23 13%	
Very positively	(5) 4%	77 5%	45 3%	31 4%	9 2%	7 4%	14 2%	8 2%	18 6%	21 5%	13 2%	20 3%	26 6%	17 4%	17 3%	23 4%	18 4%	7 2%	11 6%
Quite positively	(4) 11%	218 12%	121 9%	97 8%	20 8%	39 12%	25 6%	26 8%	34 11%	74 17%	51 9%	66 11%	56 13%	45 10%	79 15%	53 10%	48 9%	25 9%	12 7%
I don't think they will affect me	(3) 16%	317 18%	179 13%	139 16%	38 16%	47 14%	41 11%	46 14%	49 23%	96 21%	114 21%	80 14%	58 14%	66 14%	88 17%	80 15%	72 14%	45 16%	32 18%
Quite negatively	(2) 35%	699 33%	326 36%	373 36%	87 36%	119 37%	144 37%	121 35%	94 31%	134 32%	201 37%	217 37%	146 34%	135 29%	173 34%	181 34%	202 40%	83 28%	60 34%
Very negatively	(1) 23%	456 22%	222 23%	234 20%	49 20%	69 21%	109 28%	104 30%	77 25%	47 11%	103 19%	139 24%	89 21%	125 27%	97 19%	121 23%	117 23%	81 28%	40 23%
NET: Negative	1155 57%	548 55%	607 59%	136 56%	189 58%	253 66%	225 65%	172 57%	181 43%	305 56%	355 61%	235 55%	260 56%	270 53%	301 56%	320 63%	163 56%	100 57%	
Don't know	258 13%	99 10%	158 15%	40 16%	42 13%	52 14%	39 11%	32 10%	53 13%	63 12%	66 11%	50 12%	79 17%	59 12%	77 14%	50 10%	51 17%	21 12%	
Mean	2.30	2.37	2.22	2.28	2.27	2.07	2.06	2.34	2.70	2.32	2.25	2.43	2.21	2.44	2.29	2.23	2.15	2.31	
Standard deviation	1.11	1.14	1.07	1.08	1.06	1.06	1.03	1.20	1.09	1.01	1.10	1.20	1.14	1.12	1.13	1.07	1.09	1.15	
Standard error	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.08	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.07	0.06	0.04	0.05	0.07	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.07	0.09	

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		Scot-land	North East	North West	Yorks & Humber	West Mids	Wales	East-ern	London	South East	South West	East Mids
Unweighted base	2024	186	96	225	185	162	108	174	248	284	192	164
Weighted base	2024	176	91	238	179	187	107	190	255	260	185	157
NET: Positive	294 15%	23 13%	16 18%	28 12%	22 12%	21 11%	11 11%	37 19%	53 21%	43 17%	21 11%	18 12%
Very positively	(5) 77 4%	11 6%	6 6%	6 2%	7 4%	5 3%	2 2%	9 4%	11 4%	7 3%	5 2%	10 6%
Quite positively	(4) 218 11%	12 7%	10 11%	22 9%	15 8%	16 9%	9 8%	28 15%	43 17%	36 14%	16 9%	9 6%
I don't think they will affect me	(3) 317 16%	32 18%	9 10%	35 15%	29 16%	27 15%	16 15%	22 11%	39 15%	49 19%	29 16%	31 19%
Quite negatively	(2) 699 35%	60 34%	39 42%	95 40%	69 39%	67 36%	21 20%	65 34%	85 33%	88 34%	61 33%	49 31%
Very negatively	(1) 456 23%	40 23%	20 22%	55 23%	42 24%	44 23%	38 36%	40 21%	44 17%	53 20%	42 23%	37 23%
NET: Negative	1155 57%	100 57%	58 64%	150 63%	111 62%	111 59%	60 56%	105 55%	129 51%	141 54%	104 56%	86 54%
Don't know	258 13%	21 12%	8 9%	25 10%	17 9%	28 15%	20 19%	26 14%	33 13%	27 10%	31 17%	23 14%
Mean	2.30	2.31	2.32	2.19	2.23	2.19	2.04	2.39	2.50	2.38	2.22	2.30
Standard deviation	1.11	1.15	1.17	1.02	1.08	1.05	1.14	1.18	1.15	1.09	1.06	1.15
Standard error	0.03	0.09	0.13	0.07	0.08	0.09	0.12	0.10	0.08	0.07	0.08	0.10

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Table 3

Q12. Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?**Base: All respondents**

	Gender			Age						Social Class				Region				
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid-lands	North Eng-land	Wales & South West	Scot-land
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Weighted base	2024	992	1032	243	324	385	344	304	425	546	587	425	466	514	534	508	292	176
<u>It is right for the UK to take military action against Colonel Gaddafi's forces in Libya</u>																		
Agree	819	455	364	72	122	153	112	152	209	260	242	162	157	207	225	202	118	66
	40%	46%	35%	29%	38%	40%	33%	50%	49%	47%	41%	38%	34%	40%	42%	40%	40%	38%
Disagree	712	374	338	75	118	140	137	95	147	176	204	157	176	196	174	168	106	68
	35%	38%	33%	31%	36%	36%	40%	31%	35%	32%	35%	37%	38%	38%	33%	33%	36%	39%
Don't know	492	163	330	97	83	91	95	57	69	111	142	107	133	111	135	138	67	41
	24%	16%	32%	40%	26%	24%	28%	19%	16%	20%	24%	25%	29%	22%	25%	27%	23%	24%
<u>I feel I have a good understanding of why the UK is taking military action in Libya</u>																		
Agree	913	543	370	78	110	163	145	171	246	310	246	177	180	240	244	234	118	77
	45%	55%	36%	32%	34%	42%	42%	56%	58%	57%	42%	42%	39%	47%	46%	46%	40%	44%
Disagree	741	319	422	118	153	147	134	88	102	167	238	163	172	189	192	177	114	69
	37%	32%	41%	49%	47%	38%	39%	29%	24%	31%	41%	38%	37%	37%	36%	35%	39%	39%
Don't know	370	130	240	47	62	75	66	45	77	69	103	85	113	85	99	96	60	30
	18%	13%	23%	19%	19%	19%	19%	15%	18%	13%	18%	20%	24%	16%	18%	19%	21%	17%
<u>International military action in Libya has been effective at protecting Libyan civilians</u>																		
Agree	759	446	313	67	97	128	124	139	205	249	199	151	160	204	210	185	105	54
	38%	45%	30%	27%	30%	33%	36%	46%	48%	46%	34%	35%	34%	40%	39%	36%	36%	31%
Disagree	596	309	287	66	102	124	113	78	112	155	187	124	130	151	158	154	73	59
	29%	31%	28%	27%	32%	32%	33%	26%	26%	28%	32%	29%	28%	29%	30%	30%	25%	34%
Don't know	669	237	432	110	124	133	107	87	107	143	201	151	175	159	166	168	114	62
	33%	24%	42%	45%	38%	35%	31%	29%	25%	26%	34%	35%	38%	31%	31%	33%	39%	35%
<u>British troops should be deployed on the ground in Libya to help with its reconstruction and stabilisation</u>																		
Agree	378	192	186	56	74	75	50	49	74	121	107	73	77	111	101	91	47	28
	19%	19%	18%	23%	23%	20%	14%	16%	17%	22%	18%	17%	17%	22%	19%	18%	16%	16%
Disagree	1193	657	536	103	158	223	224	207	278	331	348	249	265	291	316	296	176	114
	59%	66%	52%	42%	49%	58%	65%	68%	65%	61%	59%	58%	57%	57%	59%	58%	60%	65%
Don't know	453	144	310	84	91	87	71	47	73	95	131	103	124	112	117	121	69	33
	22%	14%	30%	35%	28%	23%	21%	16%	17%	17%	22%	24%	27%	22%	22%	24%	24%	19%

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<u>Libya and the surrounding region will be a safer place without Colonel Gaddafi in power</u>																		
Agree	1271	609	662	140	190	223	204	220	294	370	349	277	275	334	330	305	192	110
	63%	61%	64%	58%	59%	58%	59%	72%	69%	68%	59%	65%	59%	65%	62%	60%	66%	63%
Disagree	235	155	80	32	53	54	43	21	33	52	75	41	68	55	81	62	20	16
	12%	16%	8%	13%	16%	14%	12%	7%	8%	9%	13%	10%	15%	11%	15%	12%	7%	9%
Don't know	518	227	290	71	81	107	98	63	98	125	163	107	122	125	123	141	80	50
	26%	23%	28%	29%	25%	28%	28%	21%	23%	23%	28%	25%	26%	24%	23%	28%	27%	28%
<u>The transition to democracy in Libya will be smoother than the transition in Iraq following the capture of Saddam Hussein</u>																		
Agree	715	391	325	77	94	127	109	132	176	225	211	149	130	198	200	185	87	46
	35%	39%	31%	32%	29%	33%	32%	43%	42%	41%	36%	35%	28%	39%	37%	36%	30%	26%
Disagree	504	275	229	54	90	110	85	62	102	124	144	110	125	120	137	126	73	48
	25%	28%	22%	22%	28%	29%	25%	21%	24%	23%	25%	26%	27%	23%	26%	25%	25%	27%
Don't know	805	326	479	112	139	148	150	110	146	198	232	165	210	196	198	197	132	82
	40%	33%	46%	46%	43%	38%	44%	36%	34%	36%	40%	39%	45%	38%	37%	39%	45%	47%

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<u>It is right for the UK to take military action against Colonel Gaddafi's forces in Libya</u>												
Agree	819 40%	66 38%	43 46%	80 34%	80 45%	82 44%	38 36%	73 38%	97 38%	110 42%	80 43%	71 45%
Disagree	712 35%	68 39%	24 26%	82 35%	61 34%	62 33%	47 44%	63 33%	100 39%	96 37%	59 32%	50 32%
Don't know	492 24%	41 24%	25 27%	76 32%	37 21%	44 23%	22 21%	54 29%	58 23%	54 21%	45 25%	36 23%
<u>I feel I have a good understanding of why the UK is taking military action in Libya</u>												
Agree	913 45%	77 44%	41 45%	102 43%	91 51%	76 40%	37 35%	91 48%	119 47%	122 47%	80 44%	77 49%
Disagree	741 37%	69 39%	30 32%	87 37%	61 34%	74 40%	47 44%	58 31%	92 36%	98 38%	67 36%	59 38%
Don't know	370 18%	30 17%	20 22%	49 21%	27 15%	37 20%	23 22%	41 21%	44 17%	40 16%	37 20%	21 13%
<u>International military action in Libya has been effective at protecting Libyan civilians</u>												
Agree	759 38%	54 31%	40 44%	76 32%	70 39%	73 39%	29 27%	73 39%	101 40%	103 40%	75 41%	64 41%
Disagree	596 29%	59 34%	25 27%	81 34%	49 27%	51 27%	25 24%	63 33%	74 29%	77 30%	48 26%	44 28%
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<u>British troops should be deployed on the ground in Libya to help with its reconstruction and stabilisation</u>												
Agree	378 19%	28 16%	18 20%	42 17%	31 17%	51 27%	17 16%	28 15%	54 21%	57 22%	30 16%	22 14%
Disagree	1193 59%	114 65%	50 54%	134 56%	112 63%	93 50%	64 59%	125 66%	145 57%	147 56%	112 61%	98 63%
Don't know	453 22%	33 19%	24 26%	62 26%	36 20%	43 23%	27 25%	37 19%	56 22%	56 22%	42 23%	37 24%

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<u>Libya and the surrounding region will be a safer place without Colonel Gaddafi in power</u>												
Agree	1271	110	58	129	118	119	60	104	159	175	131	107
	63%	63%	64%	54%	66%	64%	56%	55%	63%	67%	71%	68%
Disagree	235	16	14	33	16	24	8	38	29	26	12	19
	12%	9%	15%	14%	9%	13%	7%	20%	12%	10%	7%	12%
Don't know	518	50	19	76	45	44	39	48	66	59	41	31
	26%	28%	21%	32%	25%	24%	36%	25%	26%	23%	22%	20%
<u>The transition to democracy in Libya will be smoother than the transition in Iraq following the capture of Saddam Hussein</u>												
Agree	715	46	34	86	65	61	41	66	97	102	46	72
	35%	26%	38%	36%	36%	33%	38%	35%	38%	39%	25%	46%
Disagree	504	48	21	60	45	49	22	57	59	60	51	31
	25%	27%	23%	25%	25%	26%	20%	30%	23%	23%	28%	20%
Don't know	805	82	36	92	69	77	45	67	99	98	88	54
	40%	47%	40%	39%	39%	41%	42%	35%	39%	38%	48%	34%