

Table 1 Q.1 Do you agree or disagree with each of these statements? Base: All respondents	<u>Gender</u>			<u>Age</u>						<u>Social Class</u>				<u>Region</u>			Absolutes/col percents	
	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	1005	466	539	81	125	212	181	184	222	308	233	162	302	276	266	215	154	94
Weighted base	1005	483	522	119	159	199	169	149	209	261	292	211	241	263	263	248	142	88
<u>A Liberal Democrat government would raise taxes</u>																		
Agree	463 46%	256 53%	207 40%	44 37%	62 39%	93 47%	83 49%	79 53%	102 49%	121 46%	145 50%	95 45%	102 42%	113 43%	127 48%	117 47%	61 43%	44 50%
Disagree	348 35%	147 30%	201 38%	59 50%	63 40%	65 32%	52 30%	42 28%	67 32%	82 32%	92 32%	87 41%	86 36%	93 35%	90 34%	83 34%	51 36%	30 34%
Refused	13 1%	8 2%	4 1%	- -	2 1%	2 1%	1 *	5 3%	3 2%	5 2%	2 1%	1 1%	5 2%	4 1%	1 1%	4 2%	3 2%	1 1%
Don't know	182 18%	72 15%	110 21%	16 14%	32 20%	40 20%	34 20%	24 16%	36 17%	53 20%	52 18%	29 14%	48 20%	53 20%	45 17%	44 18%	27 19%	13 15%
<u>Overall taxes should be reduced even if that means cutting back on public spending</u>																		
Agree	482 48%	235 49%	248 47%	61 51%	94 59%	91 46%	83 49%	64 43%	91 44%	106 41%	134 46%	131 62%	112 46%	113 43%	119 45%	132 53%	83 59%	35 40%
Disagree	470 47%	229 48%	241 46%	51 43%	64 40%	100 50%	81 48%	74 49%	100 48%	143 55%	144 49%	76 36%	107 44%	134 51%	130 49%	107 43%	52 36%	48 54%
Refused	6 1%	3 1%	3 1%	- -	- -	1 1%	1 *	3 2%	2 1%	- -	1 *	1 1%	4 1%	1 *	2 1%	2 1%	1 1%	1 1%
Don't know	47 5%	15 3%	31 6%	8 6%	1 1%	8 4%	5 3%	9 6%	16 8%	12 5%	13 4%	3 2%	18 8%	16 6%	13 5%	7 3%	6 4%	5 6%
<u>Top rate taxpayers should pay more tax than they do now</u>																		
Agree	518 52%	261 54%	257 49%	44 37%	76 47%	100 50%	97 57%	86 57%	116 55%	130 50%	153 53%	109 52%	125 52%	129 49%	141 54%	133 53%	67 47%	48 54%
Disagree	438 44%	202 42%	235 45%	73 61%	74 47%	92 46%	69 41%	57 38%	73 35%	120 46%	119 41%	95 45%	104 43%	116 44%	110 42%	107 43%	67 48%	37 42%
Refused	3 *	2 *	1 *	- -	- -	1 1%	- -	1 *	1 1%	1 *	1 *	- -	1 1%	1 *	2 1%	- -	- -	1 1%
Don't know	46 5%	18 4%	28 5%	2 2%	10 6%	6 3%	3 2%	6 4%	18 9%	10 4%	18 6%	7 3%	11 4%	18 7%	10 4%	8 3%	7 5%	3 3%

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Weighted base	1005	483	522	119	159	199	169	149	209	261	292	211	241	263	263	248	142	88
<u>I trust the Liberal Democrats to steer the economy through a recession more than either Labour or the Conservatives</u>																		
Agree	219 22%	114 24%	105 20%	34 29%	41 26%	43 21%	38 22%	25 17%	38 18%	48 18%	71 24%	48 23%	53 22%	46 18%	58 22%	64 26%	37 26%	14 16%
Disagree	641 64%	309 64%	332 64%	67 56%	99 62%	123 62%	110 65%	103 69%	139 67%	174 67%	184 63%	133 63%	150 62%	171 65%	168 64%	154 62%	88 62%	61 69%
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