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### **METHODOLOGY NOTE**

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Table 9
Q.3 Do you think that the Coalition Government is good or bad for Britain?
Base: All respondents

		Region														Which of the following best describes your current working status?								
																			Not	Retired				
						York-									Work-	Work-	NET:	Not	working	on a	Retired			
						shire &	West	East		_				NET:	ing	ing	Not	working	and not	state	with a			
			Scot-	North	North	Humb-	Mid-	Mid-		East-		South	South	Work-	full	part	work-	seeking	seeking	pension	private	House		
	<u>Total</u>	<u>England</u>	<u>land</u>	<u>East</u>	<u>West</u>	erside	lands	lands	<u>Wales</u>	<u>ern</u>	London	_East_	<u>West</u>	<u>ing</u>	<u>time</u>	<u>time</u>	ing	<u>work</u>	<u>work</u>	<u>only</u>	pension	person		
Unweighted base	2010	1707	199	87	242	165	198	157	104	208	191	271	188	1081	755	326	929	82	123	115	455	154		
Weighted base	2010	1729	181	80	221	181	181	141	101	201	261	281	181	1126	884	241	884	88	125	109	398	164		
Good	545 27%	492 28%	32 17%	17 21%	63 29%	43 24%	52 28%	41 29%	22 22%	53 26%	83 32%	79 28%	61 34%	313 28%	252 28%	62 26%	232 26%	15 18%	21 17%	29 26%	141 35%	26 16%		
Bad	1005 50%	836 48%	119 66%	50 63%	110 50%	81 45%	86 48%	75 54%	50 50%	102 51%	124 47%	128 46%	79 44%	522 46%	417 47%	105 44%	483 55%	50 57%	75 60%	59 54%	217 54%	82 50%		
Don't know	460 23%	400 23%	31 17%	13 16%	48 22%	56 31%	43 24%	24 17%	28 28%	46 23%	55 21%	74 26%	41 22%	290 26%	216 24%	74 31%	169 19%	23 26%	29 23%	21 20%	40 10%	56 34%		



Table 10
Q.4 Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?
Base: All respondents

	_	Ger	nder			Ag	e			Social (	Employment Sector				
	Total	otal Male Female _		18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Public	Pri- vate
Unweighted base	2010	1043	967	187	286	334	386	351	466	596	560	347	507	253	828
Weighted base	2010	985	1025	239	338	338	358	298	437	537	557	438	478	261	865
The way the Governm	ent is going a	about cutting	g public spend	ling is fair											
Agree	663	392	271	53	106	85	105	104	209	213	196	143	111	60	294
	33%	40%	26%	22%	31%	25%	29%	35%	48%	40%	35%	33%	23%	23%	34%
Disagree	1024	480	544	125	154	202	206	159	178	250	267	221	286	163	408
	51%	49%	53%	52%	45%	60%	57%	53%	41%	46%	48%	50%	60%	63%	47%
Don't know	324	113	210	61	79	51	47	36	50	75	95	74	80	37	163
	16%	12%	21%	25%	23%	15%	13%	12%	11%	14%	17%	17%	17%	14%	19%
The Government is cu	ıtting public s	spending too	much and to	o quickly											
Agree	1054	488	566	142	168	203	209	158	174	264	268	219	303	163	423
	52%	50%	55%	59%	50%	60%	58%	53%	40%	49%	48%	50%	63%	63%	49%
Disagree	673	395	278	41	108	84	106	105	228	213	207	143	110	72	287
	33%	40%	27%	17%	32%	25%	30%	35%	52%	40%	37%	33%	23%	27%	33%
Don't know	283	102	181	56	63	52	43	35	35	60	82	76	65	26	154
	14%	10%	18%	24%	19%	15%	12%	12%	8%	11%	15%	17%	14%	10%	18%
Things in this country	are generally	y heading in	the right direc	<u>:tion</u>											
Agree	824	456	368	75	120	123	120	130	257	262	235	177	150	80	349
	41%	46%	36%	31%	35%	36%	33%	43%	59%	49%	42%	40%	31%	31%	40%
Disagree	828	392	436	99	148	170	173	115	122	202	214	176	235	131	348
	41%	40%	43%	42%	44%	50%	48%	39%	28%	38%	38%	40%	49%	50%	40%
Don't know	358	138	221	65	71	46	65	54	58	73	108	85	92	50	168
	18%	14%	22%	27%	21%	14%	18%	18%	13%	14%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%



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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- vate
Weighted base	2010	985	1025	239	338	338	358	298	437	537	557	438	478	261	865
The UK is on course f	or another wa	ve of reces	<u>sion</u>												
Agree	673 34%	277 28%	396 39%	101 42%	123 36%	127 38%	143 40%	86 29%	92 21%	156 29%	167 30%	131 30%	220 46%	106 41%	278 32%
Disagree	731 36%	441 45%	290 28%	59 25%	121 36%	102 30%	100 28%	120 40%	230 53%	225 42%	215 39%	163 37%	129 27%	76 29%	311 36%
Don't know	605 30%	267 27%	338 33%	79 33%	95 28%	109 32%	115 32%	93 31%	115 26%	157 29%	176 32%	144 33%	128 27%	78 30%	276 32%



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	<u>Total</u>	<u>England</u>	Scot- land	North East	North West	York- shire & Humb- erside	West Mid- lands	East Mid- lands	<u>Wales</u>	East- ern	London	South East	South West	NET: Work- ing	Work- ing full time	Work- ing part time	NET: Not work- ing	Not working seeking work	Not working and not seeking work	Retired on a state pension only	Retired with a private pension	House person		
Unweighted base	2010	1707	199	87	242	165	198	157	104	208	191	271	188	1081	755	326	929	82	123	115	455	154		
Weighted base	2010	1729	181	80	221	181	181	141	101	201	261	281	181	1126	884	241	884	88	125	109	398	164		
The way the Govern	nment is g	oing abo	ut cuttin	g public	spendir	ng is fair																		
Agree	663	601	40	19	82	52	71	47	21	74	70	108	76	354	280	74	309	14	20	38	199	36		
	33%	35%	22%	24%	37%	29%	39%	34%	21%	37%	27%	38%	42%	31%	32%	31%	35%	16%	16%	35%	50%	22%		
Disagree	1024	853	116	49	107	83	91	80	55	93	137	131	82	572	455	117	452	61	83	48	167	94		
	51%	49%	64%	61%	48%	46%	50%	57%	55%	46%	52%	47%	45%	51%	51%	48%	51%	69%	67%	44%	42%	57%		
Don't know	324	274	25	12	32	46	19	14	24	34	54	42	23	200	149	51	124	13	21	23	32	34		
	16%	16%	14%	15%	14%	25%	10%	10%	24%	17%	21%	15%	13%	18%	17%	21%	14%	15%	17%	21%	8%	21%		
The Government is	cutting pu	ublic sper	nding to	much a	and too	<u>quickly</u>																		
Agree	1054	887	117	48	120	87	87	82	50	92	135	148	87	587	463	124	467	68	86	52	160	101		
	52%	51%	65%	60%	54%	48%	48%	58%	49%	46%	52%	53%	48%	52%	52%	51%	53%	77%	69%	48%	40%	62%		
Disagree	673	606	36	24	73	54	74	43	31	81	86	103	69	359	288	70	314	9	23	40	213	29		
	33%	35%	20%	30%	33%	30%	41%	30%	31%	40%	33%	37%	38%	32%	33%	29%	36%	10%	19%	36%	53%	18%		
Don't know	283	236	28	8	28	40	20	16	19	28	41	30	25	180	133	47	103	11	15	18	26	34		
	14%	14%	15%	10%	13%	22%	11%	12%	19%	14%	16%	11%	14%	16%	15%	20%	12%	12%	12%	16%	6%	21%		
Things in this coun	try are ger	nerally he	ading in	the righ	t directi	<u>on</u>																		
Agree	824	733	59	28	90	71	73	65	32	84	114	123	86	429	338	90	395	21	37	50	236	50		
	41%	42%	33%	34%	41%	39%	41%	46%	32%	42%	44%	44%	47%	38%	38%	37%	45%	24%	30%	46%	59%	31%		
Disagree	828	687	93	39	92	69	84	52	47	74	89	122	66	479	386	92	349	56	59	41	108	85		
	41%	40%	52%	49%	42%	38%	46%	37%	47%	37%	34%	43%	37%	43%	44%	38%	39%	63%	47%	38%	27%	52%		
Don't know	358	308	28	14	39	41	24	24	22	43	58	37	29	218	160	59	140	11	29	18	54	28		
	18%	18%	16%	17%	18%	23%	13%	17%	22%	21%	22%	13%	16%	19%	18%	24%	16%	13%	23%	16%	14%	17%		



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Agree	673 34%	562 33%	77 42%	34 42%	81 37%	58 32%	62 34%	43 31%	34 34%	62 31%	82 31%	87 31%	53 29%	385 34%	312 35%	72 30%	289 33%	44 50%	61 49%	36 33%	78 19%	70 43%			
Disagree	731 36%	644 37%	54 30%	27 33%	83 38%	64 36%	77 42%	52 37%	34 33%	70 35%	93 36%	105 37%	72 40%	387 34%	319 36%	68 28%	344 39%	16 18%	26 21%	46 42%	217 54%	40 24%			
Don't know	605 30%	522 30%	51 28%	20 24%	57 26%	58 32%	43 24%	45 32%	33 32%	68 34%	87 33%	89 32%	56 31%	354 31%	253 29%	101 42%	252 28%	29 32%	38 30%	27 25%	104 26%	54 33%			

