

ERS / ComRes Marginal Seats Political Poll

METHODOLOGY NOTE

ComRes interviewed online a representative sample of 1,002 GB adults living in the 40 most marginal constituencies where the Conservatives and Labour shared first and second place between them at the last General Election in 2010. Of these 40 constituencies, 25 currently have a Conservative MP and 15 currently have a Labour MP. Each constituency is represented in the sample equally, with results weighted to be representative of all adults in all 40 constituencies as a whole. Data were also weighted by past vote recall. Fieldwork took place from 15th to 24th November 2014. ComRes is a member of the British Polling Council and abides by its rules.

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Labour	281	137	144	100	92	90	63	82	65	72	171	110	99	73	55	55
	28%	28%	28%	34%	26%	26%	29%	27%	30%	26%	27%	29%	28%	26%	27%	32%
Conservative	229	139	91	47	75	108	76	81	32	40	145	84	77	69	54	30
	23%	28%	18%	16%	21%	31%	36%	27%	15%	15%	23%	22%	22%	25%	27%	17%
UKIP	187	98	89	29	80	77	23	47	50	66	116	71	60	56	39	31
	19%	20%	17%	10%	23%	22%	11%	16%	24%	24%	19%	19%	17%	20%	20%	18%
Green	97	38	59	50	29	18	19	40	22	16	61	36	38	22	15	21
	10%	8%	12%	17%	8%	5%	9%	13%	10%	6%	10%	10%	11%	8%	7%	12%
Lib Dem	58	29	29	10	24	24	19	17	11	11	39	19	25	14	12	7
	6%	6%	6%	3%	7%	7%	9%	6%	5%	4%	6%	5%	7%	5%	6%	4%
Independent – not representing any party	31	11	20	6	12	13	5	10	3	12	22	9	10	12	3	6
	3%	2%	4%	2%	4%	4%	3%	3%	2%	5%	3%	3%	3%	4%	2%	4%
BNP	9	3	6	5	2	2	-	5	3	1	3	6	1	2	3	3
	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	-	2%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	2%
Plaid Cymru	1	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-
	0%	-	0%	-	-	0%	0%	-	-	-	0%	-	-	0%	-	-
Other	6	2	5	1	2	3	2	3	0	1	3	3	2	1	2	2
	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%
I would only vote if there were a new party which better reflected my views	67	29	38	25	28	14	3	14	20	29	46	21	27	19	11	10
	7%	6%	8%	8%	8%	4%	1%	5%	9%	11%	7%	6%	8%	7%	5%	6%
I would never vote	36	7	29	25	10	1	2	4	6	24	20	16	12	7	7	9
	4%	1%	6%	8%	3%	0%	1%	1%	3%	9%	3%	4%	4%	3%	4%	5%

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Labour	281	4	248	3	7	1	13	200	26	109	80	42	28	23
	28%	1%	84%	5%	4%	3%	4%	69%	19%	29%	27%	28%	28%	30%
Conservative	229	193	1	7	12	1	170	12	17	80	67	33	36	14
	23%	80%	0%	12%	7%	2%	59%	4%	12%	21%	22%	22%	36%	19%
UKIP	187	16	3	2	150	1	72	39	17	75	60	29	11	12
	19%	7%	1%	3%	81%	3%	25%	13%	13%	20%	20%	20%	11%	15%
Green	97	4	23	5	6	49	11	16	22	40	18	18	8	13
	10%	2%	8%	9%	3%	89%	4%	6%	16%	11%	6%	12%	8%	17%
Lib Dem	58	9	10	33	-	1	8	6	40	18	18	8	9	5
	6%	4%	3%	57%	-	1%	3%	2%	29%	5%	6%	5%	9%	6%
Independent – not representing any party	31	6	2	3	2	0	7	5	4	9	12	6	3	1
	3%	3%	1%	5%	1%	1%	3%	2%	3%	2%	4%	4%	3%	2%
BNP	9	5	-	-	1	-	5	-	-	3	5	-	-	-
	1%	2%	-	-	1%	-	2%	-	-	1%	2%	-	-	-
Plaid Cymru	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	0%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1%
Other	6	1	1	0	-	-	-	2	2	3	-	1	2	-
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I would only vote if there were a new party which better reflected my views	67	2	8	4	6	1	3	7	8	23	27	8	3	6
	7%	1%	3%	7%	3%	2%	1%	3%	6%	6%	9%	6%	3%	8%
I would never vote	36	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	15	14	5	-	1
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I expect Labour and the Conservatives to dominate British politics for the foreseeable future	373	201	173	111	130	132	97	112	64	100	237	136	138	99	77	59
	37%	41%	34%	37%	37%	38%	46%	37%	30%	37%	38%	36%	39%	36%	38%	34%
I expect other parties to challenge Labour and Conservative dominance	488	242	246	117	180	191	104	158	115	110	302	186	166	136	94	91
	49%	49%	48%	39%	51%	54%	49%	52%	54%	40%	48%	49%	47%	49%	47%	52%
Don't know	141	49	92	69	44	28	11	34	33	62	87	54	47	40	29	25
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	37%	50%	48%	39%	20%	27%	42%	45%	41%	32%	39%	40%	39%	50%
I expect other parties to challenge Labour and Conservative dominance	488	105	125	31	133	38	147	135	70	191	144	68	56	29
	49%	44%	42%	53%	72%	69%	51%	47%	52%	51%	48%	45%	56%	38%
Don't know	141	15	30	4	14	2	22	25	10	65	40	23	5	9
	14%	6%	10%	8%	8%	3%	7%	8%	7%	17%	13%	15%	5%	12%

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It is better to have two big parties than several smaller parties	271	145	126	72	87	112	75	57	59	80	183	88	92	91	43	45
	27%	29%	25%	24%	25%	32%	35%	19%	28%	29%	29%	23%	26%	33%	21%	26%
It is better to have several smaller parties than two big parties	514	260	254	148	185	181	105	177	111	121	315	199	180	135	112	87
	51%	53%	50%	50%	52%	52%	49%	58%	52%	45%	50%	53%	51%	49%	56%	50%
Don't know	217	87	130	77	82	58	33	71	43	71	129	89	79	50	46	43
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It is better to have two big parties than several smaller parties	271	93	98	5	32	8	107	94	20	102	79	37	27	25
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It is better to have several smaller parties than two big parties	514	111	142	44	124	45	139	133	93	189	150	85	58	32
	51%	46%	48%	76%	67%	81%	48%	46%	69%	50%	50%	56%	58%	43%
Don't know	217	36	56	9	28	2	42	62	23	85	72	28	15	18
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I feel a sense of allegiance to a particular party	394	220	174	84	132	178	101	118	77	98	254	140	149	105	83	57
	39%	45%	34%	28%	37%	51%	47%	39%	36%	36%	41%	37%	43%	38%	41%	33%
I feel no sense of allegiance to any particular party	466	227	239	144	179	143	96	154	96	120	282	184	153	130	90	94
	46%	46%	47%	48%	51%	41%	45%	51%	45%	44%	45%	49%	44%	47%	45%	53%
Don't know	142	45	97	70	43	30	16	32	40	54	90	52	49	41	28	25
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I feel a sense of allegiance to a particular party	394	124	156	15	66	15	144	146	38	139	110	68	42	35
	39%	52%	53%	26%	36%	28%	50%	50%	28%	37%	36%	46%	42%	46%
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	46%	39%	37%	68%	53%	68%	39%	40%	66%	47%	50%	45%	47%	36%
Don't know	142	24	30	3	20	2	31	29	8	62	41	15	11	14
	14%	10%	10%	6%	11%	4%	11%	10%	6%	16%	14%	10%	11%	18%

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The era of two parties dominating British politics is over	498	268	230	117	181	200	120	161	90	126	308	190	177	131	109	80
50%	54%	45%	39%	51%	57%	57%	53%	42%	46%	49%	51%	50%	48%	55%	46%	
The era of two parties dominating British politics will continue	324	162	161	98	114	111	74	90	79	81	205	119	114	91	58	61
32%	33%	32%	33%	32%	32%	35%	30%	37%	30%	33%	32%	33%	33%	29%	35%	
Don't know	181	62	119	83	58	40	19	53	44	65	114	67	60	54	33	34
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	32%	41%	40%	29%	19%	16%	36%	38%	30%	33%	32%	36%	29%	28%
Don't know	181	26	48	9	18	4	30	37	21	83	53	20	14	11
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The rise of smaller parties such as UKIP and the Greens is good for democracy	669	348	322	163	241	266	148	224	141	156	415	255	229	186	139	115
	67%	71%	63%	55%	68%	76%	69%	74%	66%	57%	66%	68%	65%	67%	70%	66%
The rise of smaller parties such as UKIP and the Greens is a threat to democracy	156	80	77	49	60	47	42	41	32	42	101	55	58	44	28	27
	16%	16%	15%	16%	17%	13%	20%	14%	15%	15%	16%	15%	16%	16%	14%	15%
Don't know	176	65	111	86	53	38	23	39	40	75	110	66	64	46	33	33
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The rise of smaller parties such as UKIP and the Greens is a threat to democracy	156	60	64	6	13	-	64	49	15	56	48	22	18	13
	16%	25%	22%	9%	7%	-	22%	17%	11%	15%	16%	15%	18%	18%
Don't know	176	31	45	4	11	2	30	42	13	68	54	24	15	15
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I would rather my local MP was independent and not a member of a political party	330	166	164	86	116	128	70	109	61	90	208	122	113	95	65	56
	33%	34%	32%	29%	33%	36%	33%	36%	29%	33%	33%	32%	32%	35%	33%	32%
I would rather my local MP was a member of a political party and not independent	422	235	187	99	142	181	119	116	86	101	277	145	162	116	75	70
	42%	48%	37%	33%	40%	51%	56%	38%	40%	37%	44%	39%	46%	42%	37%	40%
Don't know	250	91	160	112	95	43	24	79	66	81	141	109	76	65	60	49
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	33%	23%	29%	47%	48%	57%	30%	27%	50%	29%	37%	26%	38%	45%
I would rather my local MP was a member of a political party and not independent	422	151	151	19	58	14	161	152	39	172	107	72	45	25
	42%	63%	51%	33%	32%	25%	56%	53%	28%	46%	36%	48%	45%	34%
Don't know	250	34	59	11	39	10	41	60	29	95	83	39	16	16
	25%	14%	20%	20%	21%	18%	14%	21%	21%	25%	28%	26%	16%	21%

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For each of the following pairs of statements, which statement comes closest to your opinion?

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Unweighted base	1,002	445	557	174	368	460	342	295	161	204	639	363	363	276	200	163
Weighted base	1,002	492	510	297	354	351	213	304	213	272	626	376	351	276	200	175
There is a political party that closely reflects my views	451	250	200	91	157	203	113	138	96	104	284	166	168	116	91	75
	45%	51%	39%	31%	44%	58%	53%	45%	45%	38%	45%	44%	48%	42%	46%	43%
None of the political parties closely reflect my views	399	192	207	137	146	116	85	125	86	103	243	156	130	113	78	78
	40%	39%	41%	46%	41%	33%	40%	41%	40%	38%	39%	42%	37%	41%	39%	44%
Don't know	153	50	103	69	51	33	15	41	32	65	100	53	53	46	31	23
	15%	10%	20%	23%	14%	9%	7%	14%	15%	24%	16%	14%	15%	17%	15%	13%

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Unweighted base	1,002	275	286	70	181	48	325	285	159	380	292	150	107	73
Weighted base	1,002	240	296	58	184	55	289	290	136	376	301	150	100	75
There is a political party that closely reflects my views	451	136	149	18	97	25	160	157	42	165	126	76	44	39
	45%	57%	50%	31%	53%	46%	56%	54%	31%	44%	42%	51%	44%	52%
None of the political parties closely reflect my views	399	72	120	30	69	27	96	107	79	152	124	58	38	27
	40%	30%	41%	52%	38%	50%	33%	37%	58%	40%	41%	39%	38%	36%
Don't know	153	32	28	10	18	3	32	25	15	59	51	16	18	9
	15%	13%	9%	17%	10%	5%	11%	9%	11%	16%	17%	11%	18%	12%

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Weighted base	1,002	492	510	297	354	351	213	304	213	272	626	376	351	276	200	175
Parliament does a good job of representing the views of the British public	238	127	111	67	85	86	66	61	48	63	168	70	94	74	35	36
	24%	26%	22%	23%	24%	25%	31%	20%	22%	23%	27%	19%	27%	27%	17%	20%
Parliament does a bad job of representing the views of the British public	599	302	297	155	205	240	126	192	125	157	361	239	195	165	129	110
	60%	61%	58%	52%	58%	68%	59%	63%	58%	58%	58%	64%	56%	60%	64%	63%
Don't know	164	63	101	75	64	25	21	51	41	52	98	66	62	36	37	30
	16%	13%	20%	25%	18%	7%	10%	17%	19%	19%	16%	18%	18%	13%	18%	17%

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Weighted base	1,002	240	296	58	184	55	289	290	136	376	301	150	100	75
Parliament does a good job of representing the views of the British public	238	97	72	13	16	10	92	76	27	83	69	34	28	24
	24%	41%	24%	22%	9%	18%	32%	26%	19%	22%	23%	23%	28%	32%
Parliament does a bad job of representing the views of the British public	599	114	183	38	148	41	166	182	93	232	182	90	60	36
	60%	48%	62%	64%	81%	75%	58%	63%	68%	62%	61%	60%	59%	47%
Don't know	164	28	42	8	19	4	30	32	17	60	49	26	13	15
	16%	12%	14%	13%	11%	7%	10%	11%	12%	16%	16%	17%	13%	20%

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The Opposition should always oppose the government	86	46	40	31	36	19	17	18	26	25	50	35	21	29	18	18
	9%	9%	8%	10%	10%	6%	8%	6%	12%	9%	8%	9%	6%	11%	9%	10%
The Opposition should work with the government on issues they agree on	784	413	372	197	264	323	187	254	152	192	491	294	288	203	159	134
	78%	84%	73%	66%	75%	92%	88%	83%	71%	71%	78%	78%	82%	74%	79%	77%
Don't know	132	33	98	70	54	8	9	32	34	56	85	47	41	44	23	23
	13%	7%	19%	23%	15%	2%	4%	11%	16%	20%	14%	12%	12%	16%	12%	13%

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The Opposition should always oppose the government	86	16	38	4	14	2	22	36	9	36	25	9	13	4
	9%	7%	13%	7%	7%	4%	7%	13%	7%	9%	8%	6%	13%	5%
The Opposition should work with the government on issues they agree on	784	216	230	51	149	50	252	228	119	289	232	118	83	63
	78%	90%	77%	87%	81%	92%	87%	79%	87%	77%	77%	78%	83%	83%
Don't know	132	8	28	3	22	2	16	25	8	51	44	23	4	9
	13%	3%	10%	6%	12%	4%	5%	9%	6%	14%	15%	16%	4%	11%

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The priority for Parliament should be to pass the laws of the government	245	137	108	55	88	102	57	57	53	77	154	91	77	77	48	43
	24%	28%	21%	19%	25%	29%	27%	19%	25%	28%	25%	24%	22%	28%	24%	24%
The priority for Parliament should be to hold the government to account and challenge their laws	569	293	275	151	200	217	136	196	110	127	360	208	212	148	112	97
	57%	60%	54%	51%	57%	62%	64%	64%	51%	47%	58%	55%	60%	54%	56%	55%
Don't know	189	62	127	91	65	32	20	51	50	68	112	77	61	51	41	36
	19%	13%	25%	31%	19%	9%	9%	17%	24%	25%	18%	20%	17%	18%	20%	21%

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	24%	39%	19%	24%	19%	19%	35%	21%	19%	28%	20%	21%	25%	31%
The priority for Parliament should be to hold the government to account and challenge their laws	569	125	192	36	122	41	162	192	87	200	180	88	62	38
	57%	52%	65%	62%	66%	74%	56%	66%	64%	53%	60%	59%	62%	51%
Don't know	189	21	48	8	27	4	25	36	24	71	61	30	14	14
	19%	9%	16%	14%	15%	6%	9%	12%	17%	19%	20%	20%	14%	19%

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Parliament works best when there is one dominant party so it can pass the laws it wants	279	160	119	69	93	118	78	76	51	74	181	99	91	90	56	43
	28%	33%	23%	23%	26%	34%	37%	25%	24%	27%	29%	26%	26%	33%	28%	24%
Parliament works best when no party is too dominant so that cross-party agreement is needed to pass laws	538	270	268	144	194	199	116	182	116	124	338	200	198	139	109	91
	54%	55%	53%	49%	55%	57%	55%	60%	54%	45%	54%	53%	57%	51%	54%	52%
Don't know	185	62	123	84	67	34	19	46	46	74	108	77	62	46	36	42
	18%	13%	24%	28%	19%	10%	9%	15%	22%	27%	17%	21%	18%	17%	18%	24%

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Parliament works best when there is one dominant party so it can pass the laws it wants	279	102	89	9	44	2	115	92	14	107	78	41	36	18
	28%	43%	30%	15%	24%	3%	40%	32%	10%	29%	26%	27%	36%	24%
Parliament works best when no party is too dominant so that cross-party agreement is needed to pass laws	538	117	172	44	104	49	144	159	104	189	169	83	53	45
	54%	49%	58%	75%	57%	88%	50%	55%	76%	50%	56%	55%	52%	60%
Don't know	185	21	36	6	36	5	30	38	18	80	55	26	12	12
	18%	9%	12%	10%	20%	9%	10%	13%	13%	21%	18%	17%	12%	16%