

YouGov Survey Results

Sample Size: 1641 GB Adults
Fieldwork: 22nd - 23rd March 2015

	Westminster VI				2010 Vote			Gender		Age				Social Grade		Region						
	Total	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	UKIP	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Male	Female	18-24	25-39	40-59	60+	ABC1	C2DE	London	Rest of South	Midlands / Wales	North	Scotland	
Weighted Sample	1641	X	X	X	X	491	405	331	796	845	195	415	561	469	935	706	210	533	351	404	143	
Unweighted Sample	1641	436	444	96	175	479	386	331	740	901	178	361	650	452	1095	546	193	540	342	412	154	
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Would you support or oppose replacing the current system of council tax, where each household has to pay an amount based on the value of their property, with a system where each individual person pays the same fixed amount?

Strongly support	11	15	11	3	16	15	10	8	12	9	6	8	11	14	11	10	12	9	10	10	15
Tend to support	20	29	16	18	24	28	13	15	21	20	16	21	18	24	22	19	23	22	20	18	19
TOTAL SUPPORT	31	44	27	21	40	43	23	23	33	29	22	29	29	38	33	29	35	31	30	28	34
Tend to oppose	21	22	23	29	16	20	23	23	23	19	24	27	18	18	24	17	26	23	14	22	20
Strongly oppose	25	17	30	39	23	20	32	35	25	25	18	22	28	27	26	24	15	26	28	26	27
TOTAL OPPOSE	46	39	53	68	39	40	55	58	48	44	42	49	46	45	50	41	41	49	42	48	47
Don't know	23	17	20	10	21	18	22	19	20	26	36	22	25	17	18	30	24	20	27	24	20

Thinking about how local councils raise money to pay for local services, which of the following do you think would be the best method?

A local tax based on people's income	29	24	34	34	26	26	32	31	29	29	33	28	28	28	31	26	24	31	29	26	33
No local taxes, with central government providing all the money for local government through general taxation	18	18	16	19	26	21	17	17	20	17	13	15	21	20	18	18	18	17	19	18	19
A local tax based on the value of people's houses	17	17	18	28	18	14	18	24	18	16	10	21	16	18	18	15	23	17	15	15	18
A local flat tax, with everyone paying the same fixed amount	11	19	7	4	15	17	7	8	11	12	8	8	12	14	11	11	9	11	12	13	8
A local sales tax, added to the cost of goods and services	7	10	8	6	4	8	6	5	7	6	6	7	5	9	7	6	6	7	6	6	7
Don't know	18	13	16	9	11	14	20	13	16	21	31	21	18	12	14	24	20	16	18	22	16

How fair or unfair do you think the current system of council tax is?

Very fair	3	3	5	3	1	2	4	3	3	2	2	4	2	3	3	2	2	2	3	3	5
Quite fair	37	45	35	48	24	40	37	38	34	39	32	36	37	38	39	34	30	39	41	34	34
TOTAL FAIR	40	48	40	51	25	42	41	41	37	41	34	40	39	41	42	36	32	41	44	37	39
Quite unfair	31	27	32	37	36	30	31	36	34	29	19	29	34	36	32	31	29	32	28	34	36
Very unfair	13	11	13	9	31	15	13	10	13	13	8	11	14	15	10	16	13	10	16	15	9
TOTAL UNFAIR	44	38	45	46	67	45	44	46	47	42	27	40	48	51	42	47	42	42	44	49	45
Don't know	17	14	15	3	8	14	14	14	16	17	39	20	13	9	16	17	26	17	12	15	16

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It is 25 years since the Poll Tax (or community charge) was introduced to replace the old system of rates. In hindsight, do you think the poll tax was a good or bad policy?

A good policy	21	39	14	14	28	39	10	14	23	20	15	18	21	27	24	18	21	22	23	20	23
A bad policy	47	29	60	57	59	32	66	57	51	43	14	35	60	55	44	50	38	44	48	50	58
Don't know	32	32	26	29	14	29	24	29	26	37	71	47	19	18	32	32	41	34	29	30	19

Do you think people who refused to pay the Poll Tax were right or wrong to do so?

Right - it was an unfair tax and people were right to resist it	33	14	48	28	47	16	50	37	37	29	22	32	39	31	28	39	31	28	33	39	37
Wrong - whether or not the tax was fair, it's not acceptable for people to refuse to pay their taxes	44	68	31	51	42	68	31	42	45	43	18	35	46	61	50	36	39	47	46	39	50
Don't know	23	18	20	21	10	17	19	22	19	28	60	33	16	8	22	24	30	26	21	22	13