

YouGov / The Sun Survey Results

Sample Size: 708 GB Adults
Fieldwork: 8th March 2012

	Voting intention			2010 Vote			Gender		Age				Social grade		Region					
Total	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	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	708			234	186	144	344	364	86	181	242	200	404	304	91	230	152	174	62	
Unweighted Sample	708	213	213	41	240	176	139	340	368	56	172	264	216	441	267	74	235	142	183	74
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

The government have pledged to withdraw British combat troops from Afghanistan by the end of 2014.

When do you think British troops should be withdrawn from Afghanistan?

Should be withdrawn sooner than 2014	57	54	57	42	59	54	57	47	66	41	47	65	62	53	62	54	53	63	60	52
Should be withdrawn by the end of 2014	22	31	23	35	25	24	23	29	17	18	28	20	23	24	20	28	23	16	23	27
Should stay beyond the end of 2014	5	5	5	5	5	8	3	7	3	8	5	3	6	6	3	7	7	4	3	4
Don't know	16	10	16	18	11	13	16	17	15	32	20	12	9	16	15	11	18	17	14	17

Which of the following best reflects your view?

A firm deadline should be set to bring back British troops from Afghanistan, regardless of the situation there	57	60	54	37	64	56	51	50	63	32	47	64	68	51	65	42	50	67	61	64
There should not be a firm deadline for bringing back British troops from Afghanistan, they should remain there until Afghanistan is stable enough for them to withdraw	27	32	27	52	27	30	27	35	19	35	36	23	21	34	18	38	29	21	25	26
Neither	7	5	7	8	4	5	11	6	7	9	6	7	6	6	7	12	8	6	5	1
Don't know	9	3	12	3	4	8	11	8	10	25	11	6	6	9	10	7	13	7	9	8

Do you think British troops are or are not succeeding in their mission to bring stability and security to Afghanistan?

Yes, the British troops are helping to bring stability and security to Afghanistan	26	34	28	40	27	28	28	29	23	26	30	26	22	26	26	22	28	24	27	26
They are not bringing stability and security yet, but it is possible eventually	20	20	23	22	18	24	21	23	17	26	20	18	20	24	14	26	22	17	16	20
No, they are not bringing stability or security and will never be able to	40	37	38	28	46	38	36	38	42	15	28	48	52	37	44	40	34	47	42	42
Don't know	14	10	11	10	9	10	15	10	18	33	22	7	7	13	16	13	15	11	16	12