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Ed Miliband has pledged to cap the cost of benefits. Do you think this is because...

He genuinely believes that it is the right thing to do	23	13	39	30	12	13	35	25	22	24	24	25	27	17	23	23	20	25	21	23	26
He does not believe it is right, but is doing it for political reasons	60	80	45	52	77	76	51	57	66	55	49	53	60	72	61	59	64	57	61	64	56
Don't know	17	8	16	18	11	11	15	18	12	21	27	23	14	11	15	18	16	18	18	14	17

Which of the following best reflects your view of Britain today?

Anyone with talent who is willing to work hard and put the effort in can have a successful career and rise to the top, regardless of their background	38	71	24	37	32	59	26	33	38	38	36	38	35	42	41	34	39	42	37	34	34
Success in Britain today is mostly reserved for those from privileged backgrounds who know the right people, talented people from poor backgrounds don't have a chance	43	16	59	38	50	25	55	50	46	39	40	42	48	38	40	47	40	39	46	45	44
Neither	15	11	14	22	15	13	16	14	12	17	13	14	14	17	15	14	15	14	13	16	16
Don't know	5	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	6	11	6	3	3	4	6	6	5	4	5	6

Thinking about social mobility in Britain today (the opportunities that people from poor backgrounds have to rise), do you think British society has become more or less mobile in recent decades?

Society has become more mobile - people from poor backgrounds have more opportunities to rise than they did in the past	37	61	25	45	28	50	26	35	37	36	45	39	34	34	41	30	37	41	35	34	29
Society has become less mobile - people from poor backgrounds have less opportunities to rise than they did in the past	40	24	53	35	47	31	49	47	44	37	29	35	43	45	38	43	40	37	42	42	46
No difference	16	12	15	16	21	16	18	13	13	18	11	15	16	18	14	17	16	15	15	17	16
Don't know	8	3	7	5	3	4	7	5	6	9	15	10	7	3	6	9	7	8	9	6	9

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Thinking about senior professionals in Britain today, do you think they are...

Unfairly dominated by white people, or open to people of all ethnic backgrounds?

Unfairly dominated by white people	21	8	32	33	8	8	28	30	22	20	28	19	23	16	24	16	29	16	21	23	19
Open to people of all ethnic backgrounds	63	81	52	54	80	76	56	57	64	62	57	61	61	70	61	65	55	66	65	61	64
Don't know	16	11	15	13	13	16	16	13	14	18	15	20	16	14	14	19	16	18	14	16	17

Unfairly dominated by men, or open to both men and women?

Unfairly dominated by men	39	33	47	47	29	31	46	51	30	48	44	32	42	40	42	36	43	38	41	38	39
Open to both men and women	49	59	44	47	56	59	45	42	60	39	44	54	47	50	50	49	47	49	48	52	49
Don't know	11	8	9	6	15	10	10	6	10	13	12	14	11	10	9	15	10	13	11	10	12

Unfairly dominated by people from affluent middle class backgrounds, or open to people from all social classes?

Unfairly dominated by people from affluent middle class backgrounds	56	33	68	69	59	39	64	71	56	55	58	49	60	56	54	57	59	51	59	58	55
Open to people of all class backgrounds	31	57	22	24	27	48	25	21	34	29	24	34	29	34	34	27	30	35	27	32	30
Don't know	13	10	10	7	14	12	11	7	10	16	18	17	11	10	11	15	12	14	14	11	16

Which one of the following do you think is MOST likely to bring people career success?

Knowing the right people and having the right connections	48	33	56	40	54	36	58	52	48	47	49	48	53	40	44	52	42	43	52	51	50
Getting a good education	32	44	29	42	25	41	26	29	32	32	33	32	29	34	35	27	31	33	30	31	33
Innate abilities and talent	16	22	11	14	18	22	12	15	16	16	11	12	13	23	17	15	21	17	13	14	15
Don't know	5	2	4	4	3	2	4	4	4	6	8	8	5	2	4	7	6	7	5	4	2

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And which of the following do you think is MORE important in whether people have career success?

The school they go to	21	19	24	22	31	20	24	22	23	20	15	19	21	27	22	21	18	24	18	22	22
The university they go to	39	37	44	51	36	35	40	44	42	37	44	40	38	38	41	37	47	34	42	39	40
Neither are important	30	39	24	21	22	38	27	27	28	32	28	31	32	27	29	31	22	32	33	29	28
Don't know	10	5	8	5	11	8	9	7	8	11	13	10	9	8	11	12	10	7	10	11	

To what extent, if at all, do you think going to a private school helps someone's future career success?

A lot	47	39	54	48	65	40	55	54	52	43	40	38	52	54	45	51	46	44	48	50	49
A little	32	43	29	38	24	40	27	30	31	32	29	35	30	31	35	27	31	32	33	30	28
TOTAL A LOT	79	82	83	86	89	80	82	84	83	75	69	73	82	85	80	78	77	76	81	80	77
Not a lot	10	11	9	11	6	12	8	9	7	13	15	10	10	8	11	9	9	11	9	11	8
Not at all	4	4	3	2	1	3	4	3	3	5	6	6	3	2	3	5	7	3	3	5	5
TOTAL NOT A LOT	14	15	12	13	7	15	12	12	10	18	21	16	13	10	14	14	16	14	12	16	13
Don't know	7	3	5	1	5	5	7	3	6	8	10	10	6	4	6	8	7	9	7	4	9

And to what extent, if at all, do you think going to Oxford or Cambridge University, rather than another University, helps someone's future career success?

A lot	50	41	60	47	61	44	60	53	56	45	47	41	55	54	49	52	50	44	51	54	60
A little	30	43	25	39	21	37	23	34	29	32	30	36	29	28	33	27	32	33	31	28	24
TOTAL A LOT	80	84	85	86	82	81	83	87	85	77	77	77	84	82	82	79	82	77	82	82	84
Not a lot	9	11	6	11	8	12	6	8	7	11	12	9	7	9	10	8	9	10	10	9	2
Not at all	3	2	3	2	1	4	3	3	2	4	2	5	3	2	2	4	4	3	3	4	4
TOTAL NOT A LOT	12	13	9	13	9	16	9	11	9	15	14	14	10	11	12	12	13	13	13	13	6
Don't know	7	3	6	1	9	3	8	3	6	8	9	9	5	7	5	9	5	11	5	5	10

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Would you support or oppose universities giving applicants from underperforming state schools lower entry requirements than applicants from higher performing private schools?

Support	29	21	39	37	29	21	38	31	30	27	26	27	32	27	25	34	27	28	27	32	30
Oppose	49	66	40	53	51	63	38	51	50	49	52	47	45	55	57	40	53	49	51	47	46
Don't know	22	13	22	10	20	15	24	19	20	24	22	26	23	18	19	26	21	23	22	20	24

Generally speaking do you think it is right or wrong for parents to help their children find work?

Right for parents to help	78	86	73	78	90	83	79	76	79	77	67	71	79	87	77	79	67	79	78	80	83
Wrong for parents to help	12	8	16	15	4	9	12	14	13	11	12	17	12	6	12	11	17	10	9	13	11
Don't know	11	5	11	7	6	8	9	10	9	13	21	12	9	7	11	10	16	11	13	7	6

Imagine we you had a child who was looking for their first job and were in a position to help in the following ways. Would you...

Arrange for your child to have work experience at your place of work?

Would be willing to do this	80	86	80	73	87	87	83	79	83	78	75	76	81	86	82	79	79	79	83	81	76
Would not be willing to do this	12	10	13	19	9	9	11	15	11	14	15	13	14	9	12	13	13	14	9	12	17
Don't know	7	3	7	8	4	4	6	6	6	8	10	11	5	5	7	8	8	7	8	7	8

Call in favours from friends to get them work experience elsewhere?

Would be willing to do this	76	82	73	78	85	80	73	79	77	75	69	75	80	76	78	75	71	75	81	80	68
Would not be willing to do this	14	13	18	15	10	13	18	13	14	14	18	12	13	16	14	14	18	14	9	13	22
Don't know	10	5	9	7	6	6	10	8	9	11	13	13	7	9	9	11	11	11	11	7	10

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Do you think it is right or wrong for companies to offer UNPAID internships to young people looking for work experience?

Right - if young people are willing to work for free to get valuable experience they should be able to	38	57	32	38	29	51	29	32	35	40	39	43	35	35	41	34	33	42	38	35	35
Wrong - it is taking advantage of young people and is unfair on those who can't afford to work for free	55	40	63	58	65	45	66	62	58	53	45	49	60	60	52	60	59	51	55	59	60
Don't know	7	4	5	4	6	4	5	6	7	7	15	8	5	4	7	7	9	7	7	6	6

Lobbyists are people paid to influence politicians, normally on behalf of companies, campaigns, charities and pressure groups

Do you think lobbyists have too much, too little, or about the right amount of influence on politicians?

Too much influence	56	60	54	56	69	62	57	63	65	48	39	44	59	72	59	52	54	55	57	60	54
Not enough influence	7	5	10	14	6	4	8	6	7	7	9	11	7	4	7	8	8	6	7	9	10
About the right amount of influence	10	14	9	13	6	12	10	9	10	10	14	10	11	8	10	10	15	11	10	8	5
Don't know	26	20	27	17	19	21	25	21	18	35	38	36	23	16	24	30	24	29	26	24	31

Would you support or oppose introducing a register of all meetings between ministers and people classed as lobbyists?

Support	73	77	71	84	80	77	71	83	80	65	57	60	77	85	77	66	71	72	71	76	72
Oppose	6	7	7	3	1	4	7	5	8	4	9	8	6	3	6	6	7	5	4	7	11
Don't know	21	16	22	13	19	19	22	12	12	31	33	32	17	12	17	28	22	23	26	17	17

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David Cameron has proposed introducing new rules to regulate lobbyists. The proposed laws would also affect Trade Unions, and limit the amount of money that Trade Unions can spend during general elections.

Do you think David Cameron is right or wrong to include new laws on Trade Unions in his proposed new laws on lobbying?

Right - Trade Unions are also involved in trying to lobby and influence government and it is fair to include them in any new rules
Wrong - any new laws should concentrate on lobbying companies and shouldn't be used as an excuse to attack the Trade Unions
Don't know

45	81	23	58	49	73	25	44	49	41	41	38	41	58	54	34	43	49	45	42	43
29	7	51	27	21	9	48	38	35	24	23	27	35	27	27	33	28	27	26	32	40
25	11	26	15	29	19	27	18	16	35	36	35	24	14	19	33	28	24	29	25	16

Some Members of Parliament hold second jobs in addition to their roles as MPs, such as writing newspaper columns, working as consultants or serving on the board of companies
Would you support or oppose a ban on MPs from holding second jobs?

Support a ban	57	50	61	58	67	57	63	60	58	55	41	47	64	62	55	59	49	52	59	62	62
Oppose a ban	25	35	23	29	14	29	21	25	27	24	33	28	21	25	29	20	35	26	21	23	26
Don't know	18	15	16	13	19	14	16	15	15	21	25	25	15	13	16	21	16	22	20	15	12

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Currently members of the House of Lords do not receive a salary, and instead only receive an allowance for each day they attend the Lords. Many have other jobs outside the Lords.

If you had to choose, which of the following would you prefer to see?

Members of the House of Lords paid a proper salary, but banned from having outside jobs	30	28	34	32	34	27	34	33	35	24	27	29	31	30	30	30	33	27	32	30	30
The current system, with members of the Lords being allowed outside jobs, and only being paid an allowance when they attend the Lords	52	63	48	54	49	62	47	54	49	56	51	48	55	55	55	48	53	55	50	53	47
Don't know	18	9	18	13	17	12	19	13	15	20	22	24	14	15	21	15	18	18	17	23	

Would you support or oppose a "right of recall" - giving people the right to sack their MP and hold a by-election if enough people signed a petition calling for their MP to be recalled?

Support	77	79	79	80	84	80	80	80	79	76	68	73	81	81	78	77	71	76	80	80	76
Oppose	9	12	8	10	5	9	8	9	10	8	12	8	7	11	10	8	8	8	8	8	17
Don't know	14	10	12	10	10	10	12	11	11	16	20	19	12	8	13	15	21	16	12	12	6

Currently members of the House of Lords hold their position for life. Would you support or oppose changing the rules to disqualify members of the Lords who are found guilty of serious or criminal offences?

Support	87	93	87	92	92	92	88	94	88	87	76	83	90	93	88	86	86	86	89	89	87
Oppose	4	3	6	4	2	3	5	2	5	4	7	5	4	3	5	3	5	4	3	4	9
Don't know	8	4	7	5	6	5	7	4	7	10	17	12	6	4	7	10	9	10	8	7	5