

YouGov / Sunday Times Survey Results

Sample Size: 1851 GB Adults
Fieldwork: 1st - 2nd November 2012

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Headline Voting Intention

[Excluding Don't knows and Wouldn't votes]

Con	35	100	0	0	80	4	11	33	37	28	34	34	39	40	28	35	43	39	25	25
Lab	42	0	100	0	6	91	40	40	45	52	47	43	35	37	50	43	35	42	54	40
Lib Dem	9	0	0	100	1	1	34	10	8	8	10	6	11	10	7	10	10	8	8	7
Other	14	0	0	0	13	4	14	18	10	13	9	16	16	13	15	13	12	11	14	28

Other Parties Voting Intention

UKIP	7	0	0	0	12	1	6	10	4	4	3	8	11	7	8	8	7	6	8	4
SNP / PCY	3	0	0	0	0	2	1	4	2	3	2	3	2	2	3	0	0	1	0	23
Green	2	0	0	0	1	1	4	2	3	4	2	3	1	3	1	3	2	2	2	1
BNP	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	0	0
Respect	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Other	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	2	0

Non Voters

Would Not Vote	8	0	0	0	4	2	4	6	9	9	11	7	5	5	11	4	7	13	7	6
Don't know	15	0	0	0	13	10	19	10	20	19	15	15	13	15	16	16	18	16	14	7

Oct 31-
Nov 1

Do you approve or disapprove of the Government's record to date?

Approve	26	29	72	6	42	55	8	24	29	28	29	30	25	31	32	24	32	32	26	24	29
Disapprove	60	57	15	88	41	30	83	63	61	53	45	53	62	59	53	62	55	53	58	62	58
Don't know	14	15	13	7	18	14	9	13	10	19	27	16	13	10	15	14	13	16	13	13	

Oct 25-
26

Do you think that David Cameron is doing well or badly as Prime Minister?

Very well	5	6	17	1	9	12	2	3	6	6	9	7	4	6	6	6	6	4	7	7	5
Fairly well	34	32	67	9	42	56	10	29	30	34	25	32	32	35	36	26	30	38	34	24	32
TOTAL WELL	39	38	84	10	51	68	12	32	36	40	34	39	36	41	42	32	36	42	41	31	37
Fairly badly	29	31	12	39	36	22	38	36	31	31	30	30	34	30	32	31	35	31	27	34	33
Very badly	26	26	3	48	9	7	46	29	29	22	21	24	27	27	21	32	22	23	28	29	27
TOTAL BADLY	55	57	15	87	45	29	84	65	60	53	51	54	61	57	53	63	57	54	55	63	60
Don't know	6	5	1	3	4	2	4	3	3	7	15	7	4	1	5	5	6	5	6	6	2

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Oct 25-26
Nov 1-2

Do you think Ed Miliband is doing well or badly as leader of the Labour party?

Very well	4	4	1	12	1	0	10	6	5	4	7	5	3	5	4	5	7	4	3	3	9
Fairly well	32	28	13	56	24	14	49	32	29	28	24	28	27	30	29	27	34	24	27	32	26
TOTAL WELL	36	32	14	68	25	14	59	38	34	32	31	33	30	35	33	32	41	28	30	35	35
Fairly badly	32	32	41	20	40	39	23	32	34	30	27	32	32	34	35	27	32	32	31	31	34
Very badly	20	23	37	3	30	35	6	22	26	20	20	19	26	24	21	25	16	26	23	21	24
TOTAL BADLY	52	55	78	23	70	74	29	54	60	50	47	51	58	58	56	52	48	58	54	52	58
Don't know	12	13	9	10	4	12	11	8	7	19	23	17	12	7	11	16	12	14	15	13	7

Do you think that Nick Clegg is doing well or badly as leader of the Liberal Democrats?

Very well	2	2	2	1	17	1	2	5	2	2	4	3	0	2	2	2	1	1	2	3	2
Fairly well	17	17	27	9	49	21	10	22	16	17	16	16	16	19	18	15	15	18	16	17	19
TOTAL WELL	19	19	29	10	66	22	12	27	18	19	20	19	16	21	20	17	16	19	18	20	21
Fairly badly	31	31	37	28	22	37	28	30	30	33	26	36	35	25	35	27	32	35	31	26	32
Very badly	41	41	27	57	10	34	55	38	47	35	38	35	41	48	38	46	42	37	41	46	43
TOTAL BADLY	72	72	64	85	32	71	83	68	77	68	64	71	76	73	73	73	74	72	72	72	75
Don't know	9	9	7	5	3	7	5	5	5	12	16	11	7	6	7	10	10	9	11	8	4

Do you think the Conservative and Liberal Democrat coalition partners are working together well or badly?

Very well	2	2	3	2	10	2	1	5	3	2	7	2	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	4	6
Fairly well	28	26	55	5	52	45	8	24	28	24	18	27	25	29	30	21	27	32	25	19	23
TOTAL WELL	30	28	58	7	62	47	9	29	31	26	25	29	26	31	32	23	29	33	26	23	29
Fairly badly	36	36	31	38	26	36	36	37	34	38	33	35	37	35	38	32	40	35	32	35	42
Very badly	27	30	7	52	9	13	52	29	32	27	27	28	32	31	24	38	24	27	32	37	25
TOTAL BADLY	63	66	38	90	35	49	88	66	66	65	60	63	69	66	62	70	64	62	64	72	67
Don't know	7	7	4	3	3	4	4	5	4	9	15	9	5	3	5	8	7	6	9	6	4

Do you think this coalition government is good or bad for people like you?

Very good	3	2	5	0	5	3	0	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	1	1	2	2	2	2
Fairly good	15	16	36	4	31	28	5	15	16	16	12	14	14	20	18	12	20	19	16	10	14
TOTAL GOOD	18	18	41	4	36	31	5	17	18	18	14	16	15	22	20	13	21	21	18	12	16
Fairly bad	26	27	24	32	21	26	33	26	27	27	28	31	26	24	29	25	30	24	24	29	38
Very bad	28	30	8	53	9	16	48	32	33	27	27	24	33	34	25	37	26	29	31	34	29
TOTAL BAD	54	57	32	85	30	42	81	58	60	54	55	55	59	58	54	62	56	53	55	63	67
Does't make much difference either way	22	19	23	8	32	23	10	21	19	20	18	20	22	17	21	17	18	22	19	19	14
Don't know	5	6	4	3	1	4	4	3	4	8	13	8	4	3	4	8	6	5	8	6	3

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Oct 25-26
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Do you think the coalition government is managing the economy well or badly?

Very well	4	4	9	1	9	8	0	4	5	3	9	4	2	3	4	3	2	2	3	5	7
Fairly well	32	29	66	6	42	54	9	23	29	29	22	29	27	33	33	23	26	36	30	21	27
TOTAL WELL	36	33	75	7	51	62	9	27	34	32	31	33	29	36	37	26	28	38	33	26	34
Fairly badly	28	32	15	41	36	24	38	35	32	31	27	32	34	30	30	34	37	31	26	34	31
Very badly	27	26	3	47	5	9	46	28	28	25	22	24	29	27	23	31	21	22	30	31	30
TOTAL BADLY	55	58	18	88	41	33	84	63	60	56	49	56	63	57	53	65	58	53	56	65	61
Don't know	9	9	6	5	7	6	7	10	6	13	21	10	7	6	9	10	13	9	11	9	5

In your opinion how good or bad is the state of Britain's economy at the moment?

Very good	0	1	0	0	7	0	0	2	1	0	3	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	1
Quite good	9	6	12	4	8	10	3	5	6	6	11	4	4	7	7	4	11	5	6	4	7
TOTAL GOOD	9	7	12	4	15	10	3	7	7	6	14	5	4	7	8	5	11	5	6	6	8
Neither good nor bad	24	23	41	12	27	35	13	18	23	23	23	25	20	24	24	21	23	24	22	23	20
Quite bad	43	43	35	48	44	39	49	44	41	44	37	42	44	43	43	41	39	42	45	42	44
Very bad	21	25	10	34	13	16	34	28	27	24	13	24	30	26	22	30	22	26	25	26	26
TOTAL BAD	64	68	45	82	57	55	83	72	68	68	50	66	74	69	65	71	61	68	70	68	70
Don't know	3	3	1	1	1	0	2	2	2	4	13	3	1	0	2	4	5	3	2	3	2

How do you think the financial situation of your household will change over the next 12 months?

Get a lot better	1	1	3	1	3	2	1	1	1	2	0	2	2	1	2	1	1	1	2	2	1
Get a little better	11	11	17	8	13	14	8	11	12	10	22	15	9	6	13	9	11	13	11	7	15
TOTAL BETTER	12	12	20	9	16	16	9	12	13	12	22	17	11	7	15	10	12	14	13	9	16
Stay about the same	38	36	50	30	47	43	29	35	36	36	37	36	34	37	38	32	35	36	35	35	37
Get a little worse	31	30	22	37	26	26	39	29	29	30	18	26	30	38	30	29	30	29	31	30	31
Get a lot worse	15	17	6	22	11	12	19	20	18	17	6	15	21	19	14	22	16	16	15	22	16
TOTAL WORSE	46	47	28	59	37	38	58	49	47	47	24	41	51	57	44	51	46	45	46	52	47
Don't know	4	5	3	3	0	3	4	3	4	6	18	5	4	0	4	7	6	5	6	5	1

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Thinking about David Cameron, do you think he is...																					
In touch or out of touch?																					
	Sep 6-7	Nov 1-2																			
In touch	23	24	62	5	23	49	8	15	22	26	19	27	22	26	28	20	22	28	25	21	21
Out of touch	67	67	29	92	69	42	88	78	71	63	64	64	70	66	62	72	65	64	61	73	72
Don't know	10	9	9	4	8	9	5	7	7	11	17	9	7	8	10	8	13	8	14	6	6
Strong or weak?																					
Strong	33	37	69	22	50	58	23	32	36	38	40	44	34	33	41	32	34	40	39	31	39
Weak	51	48	19	66	34	30	62	53	52	43	34	42	52	53	43	54	47	47	42	52	52
Don't know	15	16	12	12	15	12	15	15	12	19	26	14	14	15	16	15	19	14	19	16	9
Likeable or dislikeable?																					
Likeable	41	43	84	15	47	76	20	32	44	42	30	40	42	53	47	38	42	51	46	33	36
Dislikeable	45	45	9	75	41	17	68	59	46	45	51	50	46	38	42	50	48	39	43	53	49
Don't know	14	12	6	10	11	8	12	9	11	12	18	10	12	9	11	12	10	10	11	14	15
Competent or incompetent?																					
Competent	37	42	87	15	59	72	18	38	43	41	41	42	41	44	46	36	37	47	45	33	46
Incompetent	49	46	8	75	30	20	72	51	48	44	40	46	47	46	41	52	50	41	43	52	46
Don't know	15	12	5	11	11	8	10	10	9	15	19	12	12	11	13	12	13	12	12	14	8
Do you think the Conservative Party at the moment is united or divided?																					
United	18	14	35	6	16	27	5	11	15	13	17	16	14	10	15	12	17	15	15	12	10
Divided	64	69	51	84	74	59	83	75	74	64	56	61	69	80	69	69	69	69	62	71	79
Don't know	18	17	14	10	10	14	12	14	10	24	27	23	16	10	16	19	14	16	23	17	11
Do you think the Labour Party at the moment is united or divided?																					
United	25	40	31	69	22	30	61	42	46	35	38	39	42	41	38	43	43	37	37	45	47
Divided	45	35	47	16	57	46	21	36	36	33	28	32	36	39	37	31	34	38	36	31	32
Don't know	29	25	22	15	21	24	18	21	18	32	35	29	22	20	24	25	24	26	27	24	21
Generally speaking who do you think is more in touch with ordinary people, David Cameron or backbench Conservative MPs?																					
David Cameron is more in touch	11	26	3	12	19	3	8	11	10	7	14	12	7	13	8	13	10	13	9	9	
Backbench Conservative MPs are more in touch	25	32	20	23	34	20	21	28	23	19	19	23	36	26	24	29	29	23	21	22	
Both are equally in touch	10	25	3	14	19	4	7	9	11	11	7	10	13	11	9	13	10	9	10	9	
Neither are in touch	45	11	69	48	20	67	56	46	44	43	47	48	40	42	48	35	40	44	53	57	
Don't know	9	6	5	3	8	6	8	6	13	20	13	7	4	9	10	10	11	10	8	3	

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	Dec 11-12 2011	Nov 1-2 2012																			
To what extent, if at all, do you trust David Cameron to look after Britain's interests in Europe?																					
Trust a lot	20	10	29	1	12	22	1	6	10	9	8	10	9	11	11	8	11	10	9	9	8
Trust a little	31	28	49	16	42	40	19	26	29	28	28	30	25	32	32	23	28	30	32	23	29
TOTAL TRUST	51	38	78	17	54	62	20	32	39	37	36	40	34	43	43	31	39	40	41	32	37
Do not trust a lot	19	24	15	30	19	20	28	23	23	25	23	21	25	26	25	23	26	24	17	28	26
Do not trust at all	21	30	4	50	19	13	46	36	32	28	24	28	35	29	25	37	27	28	31	33	33
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST	39	54	19	80	38	33	74	59	55	53	47	49	60	55	50	60	53	52	48	61	59
Don't know	9	8	3	4	8	5	5	9	6	10	17	12	6	2	7	9	8	8	10	6	4

	Dec 8-9 2011	Nov 1-2 2012																			
Thinking more generally about how David Cameron has managed Britain's relationship with the rest of the European Union, which of the following statements best reflects your view?																					
David Cameron should be tougher with other European countries	44	50	65	38	33	70	36	38	52	48	27	41	55	60	48	52	43	52	53	47	46
David Cameron should try to work more closely with other European countries	22	21	9	36	37	8	35	31	25	18	32	20	19	21	25	17	27	21	17	19	30
David Cameron gets the balance between being tough and working closely with other European countries about right	17	13	22	7	25	17	7	17	13	13	15	17	11	11	15	10	18	12	12	13	11
Don't know	17	16	4	19	4	5	21	14	10	22	26	23	15	8	12	21	12	14	18	21	12
More generally speaking, do you think the Conservative party is too positive towards the European Union, too negative towards the European Union, or do they get the balance about right?																					
Too positive	26	30	39	21	21	44	23	22	33	28	14	26	34	38	30	31	28	32	33	27	33
Too negative	24	25	9	42	37	9	39	37	31	19	27	21	24	29	26	23	32	23	17	27	37
Get the balance about right	24	19	38	9	24	31	8	15	19	18	28	22	17	13	21	15	16	19	22	17	16
Don't know	26	26	14	28	17	16	29	26	17	35	30	32	25	21	22	31	25	26	28	29	14

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Which of the main party leaders would you trust the most to look after Britain's interests in Europe?

David Cameron	25	72	2	13	56	5	14	24	26	22	25	22	30	29	20	26	29	26	18	24
Ed Miliband	18	1	47	9	1	43	20	20	16	19	19	17	17	15	21	17	14	14	24	22
Nick Clegg	6	2	5	40	2	4	18	8	4	10	7	6	4	7	5	7	7	6	5	7
None of them	40	21	36	32	37	36	39	41	40	27	38	45	43	39	43	36	40	38	45	41
Don't know	11	3	10	6	5	12	10	7	15	22	11	10	6	10	12	14	10	15	8	6

The European Union is mostly funded by contributions from member states. European Union leaders meet next month to discuss a new budget for the EU, to cover the next seven years. The European Commission is proposing a 5% increase in the budget. Do you think the EU budget should?

Be increased by 5%	3	1	4	5	0	4	4	3	2	6	3	2	1	3	2	2	2	2	4	5
Be increased in line with inflation	15	12	18	29	11	19	18	15	15	21	21	13	10	17	12	20	13	17	13	17
Be kept at its current level	23	28	23	30	24	22	26	22	25	18	21	26	25	25	22	24	25	23	21	25
Be reduced	43	52	38	32	57	37	38	51	36	27	30	49	56	43	44	42	46	39	46	42
Don't know	15	7	18	4	7	18	14	9	21	28	24	11	7	12	20	13	13	19	17	11

This week the USA has an election for their next President. If you could vote in the US Presidential election, who would you vote for?

Barack Obama (Democrat)	70	68	83	76	63	81	79	72	68	68	72	68	72	74	65	68	72	66	68	82
Mitt Romney (Republican)	7	12	2	4	13	3	4	9	6	7	6	7	8	8	6	12	7	7	4	7
Would not vote	10	7	8	14	11	7	7	10	11	10	11	11	9	7	15	13	9	10	13	3
Don't know	12	14	7	6	13	9	9	9	16	15	11	13	12	11	14	7	11	17	15	9

Generally speaking, do you think Barack Obama has done a good or bad job as President of the United States?

Very good job	15	13	21	26	12	19	20	15	15	20	19	12	14	14	17	15	15	17	15	13
Fairly good job	61	61	66	58	59	67	62	60	63	54	59	63	66	64	58	61	63	60	58	70
TOTAL GOOD JOB	76	74	87	84	71	86	82	75	78	74	78	75	80	78	75	76	78	77	73	83
Fairly bad job	9	13	4	9	13	3	6	10	8	9	7	10	9	11	6	11	8	8	9	7
Very bad job	3	4	1	0	4	3	2	5	2	4	4	2	4	3	4	5	3	2	4	3
TOTAL BAD JOB	12	17	5	9	17	6	8	15	10	13	11	12	13	14	10	16	11	10	13	10
Don't know	11	9	8	7	11	8	10	10	13	13	12	13	8	9	15	8	11	12	15	6

Fieldwork: 1st - 2nd November 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	1851	498	605	123	590	476	405	900	951	224	472	633	522	1055	796	237	602	396	455	161
Unweighted Sample	1851	472	590	115	556	470	422	907	944	168	456	718	509	1207	644	249	650	389	411	152
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

The former DJ and television host Jimmy Savile, who died last year, has been accused of sexually assaulting teenage girls during his time working for the BBC
From what you have seen or heard, how well or badly do you think the BBC has handled these allegations?

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Very well	3	3	3	4	12	3	3	5	5	2	10	4	1	2	3	3	1	2	4	6	5
Fairly well	23	19	21	19	24	17	17	23	18	19	18	23	16	17	20	16	18	21	17	16	20
TOTAL WELL	26	22	24	23	36	20	20	28	23	21	28	27	17	19	23	19	19	23	21	22	25
Fairly badly	29	32	33	35	35	31	31	37	31	34	33	29	37	29	34	31	29	31	37	33	28
Very badly	25	38	38	38	24	44	41	28	39	36	18	34	40	48	36	40	39	36	34	40	44
TOTAL BADLY	54	70	71	73	59	75	72	65	70	70	51	63	77	77	70	71	68	67	71	73	72
Don't know	20	8	5	5	5	6	8	6	7	9	20	10	6	4	6	10	13	9	8	5	3

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Which of the following best reflects your view?

The BBC probably knew that Jimmy Savile was behaving in an inappropriate way to young girls during the 1960s and 1970s, but turned a blind eye to it	73	76	76	77	72	79	76	76	73	80	66	75	81	77	76	76	72	77	78	76	78
The BBC probably had no knowledge that Jimmy Savile was behaving in an inappropriate way to young girls, otherwise they would have acted	13	11	13	13	11	10	12	12	14	8	12	11	12	10	12	10	13	11	11	11	11
Don't know	14	12	11	11	17	10	12	13	13	12	22	14	7	13	11	14	15	12	11	14	11

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	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Mark Thompson, the Director General of the BBC until earlier this year, has said he was not aware of any of the allegations against Jimmy Savile. However, it has been reported that several journalists contacted Mr Thompson's office about the Savile allegations earlier this year. Mr Thompson says he was on holiday at the time and the conversations were not passed on to him

From what you have seen or heard about Mr Thompson's account of the BBC's handling of the Savile affair, do you think he is or is not being honest?

Is probably being honest	17	16	22	23	16	19	22	21	13	24	18	15	15	19	14	16	15	15	20	24
Is probably not being honest	61	62	59	52	64	60	58	60	63	45	58	66	66	59	64	58	63	64	59	60
Don't know	22	22	19	25	20	21	21	19	24	30	24	19	19	21	22	26	22	22	21	16

The BBC is currently conducting three inquiries into the handling of the Jimmy Savile affair, one into the dropping of a Newsnight investigation into Savile, one into practices during Savile's career and the BBC's child protection and whistle-blowing policies and one into how past claims of sexual harassment were handled. There is also a police investigation, an investigation by the crown prosecution service and a Department of Health investigation at Broadmoor and Stoke Mandeville hospitals.

Do you think these inquiries are enough to fully investigate the affair, or do they need to be wider?

The current inquiries are wide ranging and should fully investigate the affair	56	71	51	60	65	49	61	54	59	53	55	56	59	61	51	54	60	55	54	56
The current inquiries are not wide ranging enough and need to be expanded	29	19	35	29	25	34	26	33	25	19	28	31	31	26	33	28	26	32	29	31
Don't know	15	10	14	12	10	17	12	14	15	29	16	12	10	13	17	18	13	13	17	13

YouGov Weighting Data

In addition to weighting by age, gender, social class and region (weighted and unweighted figures shown in the tables), YouGov also weighted its raw data by newspaper readership and political party identification:

	Unweighted no.	Weighted no.
Age and Gender		
Male 18 to 24	71	115
Male 25 to 39	190	237
Male 40 to 59	371	313
Male 60 +	275	235
Female 18 to 24	97	109
Female 25 to 39	266	235
Female 40 to 59	347	320
Female 60 +	234	287
Region		
North England	411	455
Midlands	282	304
East England	178	178
London	249	237
South England	472	424
Wales	107	93
Scotland	152	161
Social Grade		
AB	662	518
C1	545	537
C2	284	389
DE	360	407
Newspaper Type		
Express / Mail	319	296
Sun / Star	170	435
Mirror / Record	101	185
Guardian / Independent	149	83
FT / Times / Telegraph	128	176
Other Paper	259	213
No Paper	725	463
Political Party Identification		
Labour	589	602
Conservative	510	528
Liberal Democrat	199	222
SNP/Plaid Cymru	42	31
Others	96	24
None/ DK	415	444

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