

## YouGov / The Sun Survey Results

Sample Size: 923 GB Adults  
Fieldwork: 1st June 2010

	Voters			Gender		Age			Social grade		Region					
	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	ABC1	C2DE	London	Rest of South	Midlands / Wales	North	Scotland	
<b>Weighted Sample</b>	<b>923</b>			443	480	275	325	323	508	415	118	300	198	227	80	
<b>Unweighted Sample</b>	<b>923</b>	324	222	206	416	507	238	291	394	552	371	146	299	182	220	76
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

As you are probably aware, the Palestinian territory of Gaza is controlled by the Hamas group. Israel regards Hamas as a threat to its security, and its forces blockade Gaza's Mediterranean coast in order to prevent rockets and other weapons reaching Gaza.

**In general do you think Israel is right or wrong to blockade Gaza's coastline?**

Right - Israel has good reason to do all it can to prevent military supplies reaching Gaza

Wrong – the blockade violates international law and leaves the people of Gaza short of food, medicines and other vital supplies

Don't know

<b>22</b>	30	17	18	30	14	17	19	28	20	24	24	22	22	21	22
<b>53</b>	47	61	57	55	51	51	55	54	60	45	53	53	53	54	51
<b>25</b>	23	23	25	15	34	32	26	18	20	31	23	25	26	25	27

Some days ago, six ships set off from Europe to break the blockade. The ships' captains said they were carrying humanitarian supplies such as food and medicines. Israel said the flotilla was "set on confrontation... it's real intention was ... not humanitarian aid".

**From what you know, do you think the ships probably DID intend confrontation with Israel, or were they mainly concerned to take humanitarian supplies to Gaza?**

Real intention was confrontation with Israel

Real intention was to take humanitarian supplies to Gaza

Don't know

<b>23</b>	30	22	17	32	16	18	21	30	23	24	30	27	21	14	31
<b>44</b>	41	47	48	42	45	45	42	45	46	42	39	42	41	52	39
<b>33</b>	29	31	34	26	39	36	37	25	31	34	30	30	37	34	31

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On Monday Israeli forces intercepted the six ships on their way to Gaza. Israel said it wanted to check the ships were not carrying any weapons. In the course of the interception, Israel is reported to have killed a number of crew and passengers on one of the ships.

**From what you know, do you think Israeli forces...**

- Probably acted in self-defence against people on the ship who violently attacked them
- Over-reacted against people on the ship who, in general, sought to resist the Israeli forces non-violently
- Don't know

18	27	13	15	24	13	12	15	27	17	20	23	20	17	14	21
55	50	60	58	55	55	56	57	53	59	51	47	56	55	61	48
27	23	26	27	20	33	33	28	20	25	29	30	24	28	26	30

**A number of countries, and the United Nations, are now demanding an inquiry into the events that lead to the deaths. Do you think..**

- An inquiry should be held – and it should be led by Israel, which is the only open and democratic country in the region
- An inquiry should be held - but it must be conducted by an independent, international group
- An inquiry should NOT be held – it is a distraction from the main task of negotiating peace between Israel and Palestine
- Don't know

4	5	4	1	4	4	6	2	3	3	4	3	2	5	4	6
74	70	74	80	74	73	72	73	76	75	72	71	76	75	73	66
11	15	10	6	14	8	7	12	13	12	9	13	13	10	9	6
12	10	11	13	8	15	15	13	8	9	15	13	9	10	14	21

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**Leaving this specific incident aside and thinking only of the continuing conflict between Israel and the Palestinians, do your own sympathies lie more with the Israelis or more with the Palestinians?**

- They lie more with the Israelis
- They lie more with the Palestinians
- Neither
- Don't know

20	13	22	8	8	17	9	9	8	21	13	13	19	14	9	12	15
18	25	21	26	34	29	22	25	22	28	29	21	25	26	27	21	28
48	41	41	43	37	43	39	33	50	38	40	42	36	46	39	42	31
14	21	16	23	22	11	30	32	19	13	18	25	21	14	25	24	26