

YouGov / The Sun Survey Results

Sample Size: 2109 GB Adults
Fieldwork: 7th - 8th November 2010

	Voting intention			Gender		Age				Social grade		Region				
Total	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 2109	667	618	180	1024	1085	253	539	723	593	1187	896	270	690	449	516	184
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An election court has ruled that Labour MP Phil Woolas broke the law by making false statements about his opponent's character during the election. Amongst other things Mr Woolas said that his opponent, Elwyn Watkins, had not moved to the constituency and was refusing to condemn death threats from Muslim extremists, neither of which were true.

The ruling means Mr Woolas's election is overturned and there will be a by-election to choose a new MP for Oldham East and Saddleworth. From what you have read or heard, do you think this is the right or wrong decision?

Right	71	82	65	82	73	68	57	63	73	80	76	63	67	73	71	71	66
Wrong	7	4	12	8	11	4	11	6	7	9	7	8	10	8	6	6	5
Don't know	22	14	23	10	16	28	32	31	20	12	17	29	22	19	23	23	29

Some people have said that allowing the courts to overrule elections if they find that candidates lied about their opponents discourages candidates from speaking freely and holding opponents to account. Other people think there should be laws preventing candidates lying about their rivals. Which of the following best reflects your view?

It is right that there should be laws to prevent election candidates telling lies about their rivals	74	86	69	77	77	72	59	68	79	81	78	69	73	78	72	75	69
Laws about what candidates can say during elections are a restriction on free speech and risk preventing robust political debate	9	5	13	10	10	8	8	9	9	9	8	10	11	8	9	9	9
Neither	6	2	8	8	5	6	10	7	3	6	4	8	5	6	6	5	8
Don't know	11	6	9	4	7	15	24	16	9	4	9	13	12	8	14	11	14

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The coalition government has promised to introduce an annual cap on the number of immigrants who can come into the UK. People from some industries and professions have said that a cap on immigration would have a negative effect on their industry and asked for exceptions to be made.

If a cap on immigration numbers was to be introduced which, if any, of the following groups do you think should be excluded to from the cap? Please tick all those groups you think should have an exclusion from the immigration cap.

Doctors	45	48	49	48	50	41	41	48	43	48	47	44	48	42	46	50	41
Entrepreneurs willing to invest in Britain	42	47	39	53	48	35	31	41	43	46	45	37	42	42	42	41	41
Nurses	38	37	42	40	42	34	33	38	35	43	40	35	40	37	37	40	32
Research scientists	38	38	39	43	42	34	37	34	36	45	42	32	43	38	37	37	36
Existing foreign based employees of multi-national companies with offices here	30	32	30	32	31	28	29	29	26	34	33	25	35	30	27	28	26
Film and television stars	18	18	20	17	20	16	22	22	14	16	20	15	23	17	19	15	17
Premiership footballers	17	17	21	18	20	15	19	24	14	16	19	15	26	17	18	14	15
IT specialists	16	14	19	23	19	12	12	16	14	19	18	13	19	16	14	15	15
None of these	21	20	20	15	20	22	24	20	24	18	21	22	18	19	21	22	30
Don't know	10	3	11	9	5	14	16	13	8	5	8	12	9	8	9	11	15