

YouGov Survey Results

Sample Size: 1766 GB Adults
Fieldwork: 22nd - 23rd January 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	1766	527	538	103	561	444	386	858	908	213	449	606	498	1003	757	225	577	378	433	153
Unweighted Sample	1766	542	504	100	578	411	382	857	909	113	530	669	454	1182	578	296	589	340	372	169
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

From what you already know, do you think the law is or is not sufficiently clear about who can or cannot be charged with murder under "joint enterprise" law?

Is sufficiently clear	14	15	15	13	15	17	15	17	12	11	12	14	18	15	14	17	14	11	17	12
Is not sufficiently clear	44	46	46	51	46	43	43	43	44	34	33	47	53	45	42	38	43	47	42	50
Don't know	42	39	40	35	39	40	42	40	44	55	55	39	29	41	44	46	43	42	41	37

Imagine the following scenario...

A group of people get involved in a fight with a stranger. During the fight, one of the group produces a knife, and stabs and kills the victim. In your opinion, who should be charged with murder?

Only the person who actually carried out the killing	51	50	51	60	51	48	58	47	55	60	58	50	42	52	49	49	58	47	46	49
The entire group	43	44	46	37	44	48	38	47	39	33	35	43	55	42	44	40	38	47	48	47
None of these	1	1	0	0	2	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0
Don't know	5	4	3	2	3	3	5	5	5	7	6	5	2	5	5	9	4	5	5	5

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In law, “joint enterprise” means that anyone who agrees to commit a crime with another person becomes liable for everything that person does. In England and Wales, groups of people or gangs can be charged with murder, even if only one person carried out the killing. In principle do you support or oppose a “joint enterprise” law for murder?

Support	62	68	59	59	68	61	61	66	58	50	51	65	72	61	62	63	61	57	67	58
Oppose	21	16	25	32	15	22	26	21	22	31	25	20	15	23	19	19	23	22	20	23
Don't know	17	16	17	9	17	17	13	14	20	19	24	15	13	16	19	18	16	21	13	20

Generally speaking, do you think that a new simpler and clearer law for “joint enterprise” murders would or would not deter people involved in gangs from committing these types of crimes?

Would be a deterrent	46	48	47	55	48	45	46	48	44	43	46	46	48	47	45	47	48	40	51	36
Would NOT be a deterrent	37	36	38	36	37	38	39	35	39	39	33	37	40	38	36	34	39	37	33	44
Don't know	17	16	15	10	15	17	15	17	17	18	21	18	12	15	19	19	12	23	16	20