







Fieldwork: 18th - 31st December 2012

Total	Gender		Age				Region			Company		Region					
	Male	Female	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55+	North	Midlands	South	sole	2 to 5	sole	2-5	sole	2-5	sole	2-5

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	Unweighted Base	529	394	135	14	55	137	323	133	159	237	360	169	87	46	111	48	162	75
<b>All owners of/ partners in micro businesses</b>		529	395	134	13	49	132	335	150	150	229	397	132	108	42	116	35	173	55
Yes, definitely	5%	5%	4%	-	7%	7%	4%	3%	4%	6%	4%	7%	1%	9%	4%	3%	6%	7%	
Yes, probably	20%	23%	12%	40%	22%	22%	18%	21%	19%	20%	19%	24%	22%	20%	16%	29%	19%	25%	
No, probably not	36%	34%	41%	14%	33%	39%	36%	33%	36%	38%	36%	35%	30%	39%	35%	40%	41%	29%	
No, definitely not	32%	32%	34%	29%	29%	25%	36%	34%	34%	30%	33%	29%	40%	21%	36%	28%	28%	36%	
Don't know	7%	6%	9%	17%	8%	7%	6%	8%	7%	7%	8%	5%	7%	11%	9%	-	7%	4%	

How much anxiety, if any, does the current tax system cause you, as someone running a business?

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<b>All owners of/ partners in micro businesses</b>		529	395	134	13	49	132	335	150	150	229	397	132	108	42	116	35	173	55
A lot of anxiety	13%	12%	15%	15%	12%	10%	14%	15%	14%	11%	13%	13%	15%	13%	13%	17%	11%	10%	
Some anxiety	33%	32%	37%	35%	34%	42%	29%	31%	29%	37%	30%	42%	24%	50%	27%	35%	36%	41%	
A little anxiety	28%	28%	27%	28%	21%	30%	28%	27%	31%	25%	29%	24%	29%	23%	33%	25%	26%	24%	
No anxiety	27%	29%	21%	22%	33%	19%	29%	27%	26%	27%	29%	21%	32%	15%	27%	23%	28%	25%	

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<b>All owners of/ partners in micro businesses</b>		529	395	134	13	49	132	335	150	150	229	397	132	108	42	116	35	173	55
None of it	1%	0%	2%	-	-	1%	1%	1%	-	1%	1%	1%	1%	-	4%	-	-	1%	-
Not very much of it	5%	5%	5%	19%	3%	5%	4%	5%	5%	4%	5%	4%	6%	2%	5%	2%	4%	6%	
Some of it	20%	21%	17%	17%	23%	26%	17%	21%	16%	21%	20%	20%	22%	20%	15%	18%	22%	20%	
All of it	68%	68%	69%	60%	60%	62%	72%	64%	74%	67%	68%	69%	63%	67%	74%	71%	67%	69%	
I don't know what I'd need	7%	6%	8%	5%	14%	6%	6%	8%	6%	6%	7%	7%	9%	7%	6%	9%	6%	5%	

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Total	Industry						
Total	Manufacture	Construction	Retail	hospitality	Education/ health	Transport	Business services

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Unweighted Base	529	55	120	59	44	51	21	179
<b>All owners of/ partners in micro businesses</b>	529	55	114	59	74	51	36	140
Yes, definitely	5%	4%	7%	4%	3%	2%	5%	5%
Yes, probably	20%	24%	27%	10%	21%	27%	22%	13%
No, probably not	36%	36%	42%	33%	25%	39%	32%	37%
No, definitely not	32%	32%	19%	36%	40%	27%	35%	39%
Don't know	7%	4%	5%	17%	10%	4%	5%	6%

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<b>All owners of/ partners in micro businesses</b>	529	55	114	59	74	51	36	140
A lot of anxiety	13%	16%	16%	18%	6%	9%	19%	10%
Some anxiety	33%	34%	37%	33%	42%	26%	36%	26%
A little anxiety	28%	31%	29%	17%	28%	28%	20%	31%
No anxiety	27%	18%	18%	33%	24%	36%	25%	33%

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Unweighted Base	529	55	120	59	44	51	21	179
<b>All owners of/ partners in micro businesses</b>	529	55	114	59	74	51	36	140
None of it	1%	-	1%	4%	-	2%	-	-
Not very much of it	5%	2%	6%	6%	3%	1%	5%	6%
Some of it	20%	27%	23%	14%	16%	20%	24%	17%
All of it	68%	59%	63%	69%	73%	72%	63%	73%
I don't know what I'd need	7%	11%	7%	8%	8%	5%	8%	4%

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Total	Company Turnover				
	First year of trading	Up to £99,999	£100,000 to £999,999	Don't know	Prefer not to say

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	Unweighted Base	529	22	360	82	9	56
<b>All owners of/ partners in micro businesses</b>		529	21	367	76	11	53
Yes, definitely	5%	-	4%	8%	-	7%	
Yes, probably	20%	34%	19%	24%	-	18%	
No, probably not	36%	44%	36%	35%	45%	29%	
No, definitely not	32%	4%	35%	25%	10%	38%	
Don't know	7%	17%	5%	8%	44%	8%	

How much anxiety, if any, does the current tax system cause you, as someone running a business?

	Unweighted Base	529	22	360	82	9	56
<b>All owners of/ partners in micro businesses</b>		529	21	367	76	11	53
A lot of anxiety	13%	12%	13%	10%	21%	12%	
Some anxiety	33%	53%	29%	45%	28%	36%	
A little anxiety	28%	25%	28%	22%	41%	27%	
No anxiety	27%	10%	29%	23%	10%	25%	

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	Unweighted Base	529	22	360	82	9	56
<b>All owners of/ partners in micro businesses</b>		529	21	367	76	11	53
None of it	1%	-	1%	1%	-	-	
Not very much of it	5%	6%	4%	3%	21%	7%	
Some of it	20%	33%	18%	30%	18%	12%	
All of it	68%	47%	73%	57%	45%	66%	
I don't know what I'd need	7%	13%	5%	8%	16%	15%	