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Sample Size: 1773 GB Adults
Fieldwork: 18th - 19th May 2011

	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	1773	533	580	160	522	428	418	862	911	215	452	606	500	1011	762	227	576	379	436	154
Unweighted Sample	1773	517	515	167	497	380	451	875	898	149	408	654	562	1173	600	246	564	362	392	209
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

There have been calls for Justice Secretary Ken Clarke to resign after he implied in an interview that some rapes were more serious than others and that date rape was not "serious, proper rape". Mr Clarke has since apologised and said he thinks all rape is serious. Do you think Mr Clarke should or should not resign?

Should resign	47	32	63	25	39	61	43	41	53	37	44	48	54	39	57	43	45	52	48	49
Should not resign	42	59	30	68	52	31	47	51	34	41	41	44	42	51	31	47	44	39	42	40
Don't know	10	9	7	7	9	8	10	8	13	22	15	8	5	10	11	10	12	9	10	11

Currently people who plead guilty to a crime at the earliest opportunity and avoid the need for a trial will have their sentence reduced by up to a third. The government have proposed that this reduction in sentence be increased to 50% for people who plead guilty. The government say this will save money and reduce the number of victims of crime who have to go through a trial, other people have said it would mean shorter sentences for some crimes. Do you support or oppose this proposal?

Support	21	28	16	41	25	14	27	26	16	23	21	21	19	22	19	16	24	17	23	17
Oppose	64	59	70	42	62	71	57	60	67	56	61	65	69	62	66	67	59	69	63	69
Don't know	15	13	14	17	13	15	16	13	17	22	18	14	12	16	14	17	17	15	14	13

The reduction in sentences for people who plead guilty before trial applies to both serious and less serious crimes. Which of the following best reflects your view?

There should be a reduction in sentences for people who plead guilty to any crime	10	12	6	27	10	6	13	15	5	13	11	10	7	11	8	10	12	7	9	11
There should be a reduction in sentences for people who plead guilty to minor crimes, but it should not apply to serious crimes like rape or murder	51	50	54	56	48	53	59	48	54	56	54	50	47	53	49	56	49	50	51	53
There should not be reductions in sentences for pleading guilty, however minor the crime	33	33	34	13	37	36	21	31	34	21	27	34	42	30	37	28	31	39	32	34
Don't know	6	4	5	3	5	5	6	5	7	10	8	6	3	6	7	6	7	5	8	2