

YouGov Survey Results

Sample Size: 2745 GB Adults
Fieldwork: 20th - 21st March 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 2745	779	930	200	816	734	572	1335	1410	332	700	938	774	1564	1181	351	892	588	675	239	
Unweighted Sample	779	876	202	816	691	586	1297	1448	249	668	967	860	1780	965	422	866	552	667	238	
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Currently people in employment have to pay both Income Tax and National Insurance contributions on their wages. While National Insurance contributions are theoretically put towards paying the state pension and other benefits, they are effectively another tax on income. Some people have suggested that National Insurance and Income Tax should be combined into a single tax. This would simplify the tax system and mean that self-employed people, who currently pay a lower rate of national insurance, would pay the same level of tax as employed people. It would also require a few benefits, that are currently based upon people's levels of national insurance contributions, to be reformed.

Would you support or oppose Income Tax and National Insurance being combined into a single tax?

Strongly support	16	23	11	23	22	11	14	20	11	17	15	16	15	17	13	16	16	16	15	14
Tend to support	41	45	38	42	43	38	44	43	39	36	44	39	42	43	38	41	45	39	37	40
TOTAL SUPPORT	57	68	49	65	65	49	58	63	50	53	59	55	57	60	51	57	61	55	52	54
Tend to oppose	14	13	17	9	13	18	13	14	15	16	12	14	16	15	14	16	11	13	17	21
Strongly oppose	8	5	11	5	6	11	8	8	9	5	5	10	11	7	10	7	8	8	11	7
TOTAL OPPOSE	22	18	28	14	19	29	21	22	24	21	17	24	27	22	24	23	19	21	28	28
Don't know	21	13	23	20	16	23	21	15	27	26	24	21	16	18	25	20	20	25	21	18