

## YouGov / Chief Fire Officers Association Survey Results

Sample Size: 1974 GB Adults  
Fieldwork: 9th - 10th June 2014

	Westminster VI					2010 Vote			Gender		Age				Social Grade		Region				
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	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Currently fire and rescue services are managed either by a county council directly or a separate local fire authority. It has been suggested that neighbouring fire and rescue services could merge to form one body.

To what extent would you support or oppose neighbouring fire and rescue services being merged?

Strongly support	8	12	6	7	9	11	5	5	10	6	10	8	7	7	9	6	10	7	9	7	8
Tend to support	31	40	31	30	24	37	27	30	35	27	28	32	28	35	32	29	32	30	33	30	30
<b>TOTAL SUPPORT</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>38</b>
Tend to oppose	26	26	26	33	31	24	29	31	24	29	26	20	27	31	26	26	15	29	27	27	29
Strongly oppose	12	7	15	11	18	10	17	11	11	12	5	7	15	15	11	13	9	14	9	14	10
<b>TOTAL OPPOSE</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>39</b>
Don't know	23	15	21	18	18	17	22	23	20	26	31	33	23	11	21	25	34	20	22	22	23

It has been proposed that this control could be transferred away from county councils or local fire authorities to local Police and Crime Commissioners.

To what extent would you support or oppose fire and rescue services being brought under the control of Police and Crime Commissioners?

Strongly support	3	4	3	3	1	4	2	2	4	2	3	4	3	1	3	3	5	3	4	1	3
Tend to support	17	24	17	14	13	21	16	14	18	17	19	21	15	16	17	18	18	16	18	18	18
<b>TOTAL SUPPORT</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>21</b>
Tend to oppose	31	33	32	40	31	31	32	34	28	34	30	26	30	38	33	29	31	32	34	28	31
Strongly oppose	25	20	31	25	30	23	30	26	30	20	17	15	29	34	26	25	16	27	23	30	22
<b>TOTAL OPPOSE</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>53</b>
Don't know	23	18	18	19	25	20	20	24	20	26	32	33	23	12	22	26	31	21	21	23	26

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	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Which, if any, of the following roles do you think fire and rescue services provide? (Please tick all that apply)

Respond to fires	<b>90</b>	93	90	92	94	92	89	93	88	92	81	81	94	97	92	88	86	91	89	91	93
Promote fire safety	<b>88</b>	91	88	90	91	90	85	91	85	90	79	80	92	94	89	86	83	89	87	89	91
Respond to rescue operations	<b>86</b>	89	86	89	90	89	85	89	83	88	76	77	89	93	87	84	80	87	85	86	91
Respond to collapsed buildings and floods	<b>86</b>	88	86	88	90	87	86	89	83	88	76	76	90	93	87	84	82	87	84	86	90
Respond to chemical spills and floods	<b>83</b>	87	83	86	92	88	83	88	82	85	61	73	89	95	86	81	78	85	80	85	88
Respond to road traffic collisions	<b>81</b>	86	81	86	89	85	81	84	79	83	65	71	87	90	83	79	72	84	81	80	85
Provide Fire Safety Certification for buildings	<b>74</b>	76	73	79	83	78	73	78	71	77	49	61	80	87	74	73	65	75	72	76	78
Provide first aid	<b>52</b>	53	53	55	62	54	52	53	50	54	44	52	55	53	53	51	48	54	49	54	55
Provide firefighting aircraft for major wildfires	<b>50</b>	49	51	49	47	49	50	50	44	56	55	55	51	42	53	46	46	52	45	51	58
Respond to serious medical emergencies	<b>44</b>	46	47	40	46	42	48	45	41	48	35	42	46	48	45	44	36	44	46	47	46
Promote road safety	<b>32</b>	30	34	33	41	29	32	36	28	35	31	32	34	30	32	31	23	32	34	35	27
None of these	<b>1</b>	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1
Don't know	<b>5</b>	1	3	2	3	2	6	5	5	5	12	8	3	1	3	7	6	4	4	6	5

Which one of the following statements best reflects your view?

Firefighters should be able to respond to serious medical emergencies (e.g. cardiac arrests) if they are suitably trained in addition to providing fire and rescue services	<b>42</b>	42	42	49	49	42	40	43	43	40	41	44	38	44	43	40	38	42	40	44	44
Firefighters should concentrate on only providing fire and rescue services whilst ambulances/paramedics continue responding to medical emergencies	<b>50</b>	52	52	46	48	52	53	49	49	51	45	43	55	53	50	50	50	50	52	49	50
Don't know	<b>8</b>	6	6	5	3	6	7	8	8	8	14	13	7	3	7	10	12	8	7	8	6