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To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements? (Please tick one option on each row)

The poor get poorer and the rich get richer in capitalist economies

Unweighted base	2009	168	303	327	423	788	976	1033	346	439	280	210	305	95	161	173
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Strongly agree	45%	29%	32%	42%	48%	54%	46%	45%	45%	44%	41%	45%	42%	52%	53%	
Tend to agree	32%	35%	40%	32%	33%	28%	32%	32%	32%	33%	29%	34%	37%	30%	28%	27%
Neither agree nor disagree	13%	15%	13%	15%	14%	10%	14%	12%	14%	12%	12%	13%	10%	15%	14%	11%
Tend to disagree	3%	7%	4%	2%	1%	4%	2%	2%	2%	4%	4%	5%	2%	6%	2%	3%
Strongly disagree	1%	2%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	-	2%	2%	3%	1%	0%
Don't know	6%	13%	10%	8%	4%	3%	3%	8%	5%	6%	11%	5%	4%	3%	3%	5%

Free enterprise is better at lifting people out of poverty than government

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Strongly agree	10%	7%	8%	12%	9%	12%	13%	8%	10%	13%	10%	8%	11%	11%	9%	8%
Tend to agree	30%	23%	25%	31%	32%	33%	28%	28%	31%	29%	30%	32%	35%	32%	25%	22%
Neither agree nor disagree	29%	26%	32%	29%	31%	28%	28%	30%	29%	27%	28%	30%	26%	20%	41%	36%
Tend to disagree	12%	12%	10%	9%	11%	14%	12%	12%	10%	12%	11%	13%	12%	11%	12%	15%
Strongly disagree	6%	6%	5%	4%	7%	6%	7%	4%	6%	7%	4%	5%	5%	9%	5%	8%
Don't know	13%	27%	20%	15%	9%	8%	7%	18%	14%	11%	18%	12%	11%	17%	9%	11%

Most of the biggest businesses in the world have dodged taxes, damaged the environment or bought special favours from politicians

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Tend to agree	34%	39%	38%	29%	32%	33%	33%	34%	32%	33%	34%	35%	40%	30%	28%	30%
Neither agree nor disagree	16%	19%	19%	19%	12%	15%	17%	15%	15%	14%	14%	21%	15%	25%	21%	16%
Tend to disagree	4%	4%	4%	4%	1%	5%	4%	3%	3%	4%	4%	4%	5%	1%	3%	4%
Strongly disagree	1%	3%	1%	1%	-	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	-	1%	1%	-
Don't know	9%	16%	15%	12%	7%	5%	4%	13%	9%	9%	13%	7%	6%	6%	8%	8%

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What is good for business is usually good for the rest of society

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Strongly agree	6%	4%	4%	6%	5%	7%	4%		7%	7%	5%	3%	5%	4%	7%	7%
Tend to agree	21%	13%	17%	18%	22%	25%	23%	19%	20%	21%	21%	21%	20%	26%	18%	22%
Neither agree nor disagree	33%	28%	31%	32%	34%	35%	31%	36%	31%	32%	30%	38%	36%	29%	39%	31%
Tend to disagree	23%	28%	28%	22%	20%	21%	23%	22%	23%	23%	17%	25%	23%	24%	23%	24%
Strongly disagree	10%	13%	8%	10%	13%	9%	10%	10%	11%	11%	13%	9%	9%	12%	6%	8%
Don't know	8%	14%	13%	12%	6%	3%	6%	10%	7%	8%	14%	4%	7%	5%	7%	6%

Poverty is a bigger problem than inequality and unemployment is a bigger problem than some people being super rich

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Strongly agree	27%	15%	18%	23%	29%	35%	29%	26%	29%	27%	26%	23%	28%	29%	31%	29%
Tend to agree	37%	30%	39%	36%	38%	39%	38%	37%	38%	38%	36%	41%	37%	35%	34%	39%
Neither agree nor disagree	19%	25%	21%	22%	20%	15%	19%	18%	17%	18%	19%	21%	19%	18%	24%	18%
Tend to disagree	6%	11%	7%	5%	5%	6%	7%	6%	6%	7%	6%	7%	6%	7%	5%	7%
Strongly disagree	2%	4%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%	1%	3%	2%	1%	1%	1%	3%	2%	1%
Don't know	8%	15%	13%	13%	6%	4%	5%	12%	8%	8%	13%	8%	8%	8%	5%	6%

The next generation will probably be richer, safer and healthier than the last

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Strongly agree	4%	3%	4%	6%	4%	2%	4%	3%	4%	4%	2%	4%	3%	5%	5%	3%
Tend to agree	11%	15%	12%	11%	11%	10%	15%	8%	11%	11%	11%	9%	12%	13%	11%	13%
Neither agree nor disagree	27%	31%	21%	28%	26%	27%	27%	26%	26%	22%	25%	33%	27%	27%	31%	28%
Tend to disagree	34%	31%	35%	26%	35%	37%	32%	37%	35%	36%	36%	33%	35%	24%	32%	33%
Strongly disagree	17%	11%	18%	18%	17%	19%	17%	18%	16%	21%	15%	17%	15%	24%	15%	19%
Don't know	7%	10%	11%	10%	7%	4%	5%	9%	9%	6%	12%	4%	8%	6%	6%	5%

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Strong community and family life is as important to well being as a strong economy

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Strongly agree	48%	36%	41%	38%	47%	56%	49%	46%	46%	51%	42%	41%	51%	39%	56%	49%
Tend to agree	35%	33%	38%	38%	35%	34%	34%	36%	35%	34%	36%	39%	36%	43%	28%	34%
Neither agree nor disagree	10%	14%	10%	16%	11%	6%	10%	10%	11%	9%	10%	14%	8%	12%	10%	8%
Tend to disagree	2%	5%	2%	2%	2%	1%	3%	1%	2%	1%	1%	3%	1%	2%	2%	3%
Strongly disagree	0%	1%	1%	-	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	-	0%	-	-	2%
Don't know	5%	11%	8%	6%	4%	2%	3%	7%	5%	4%	11%	3%	4%	3%	4%	3%

Government spends too much on welfare benefits and not enough on roads, railways and other infrastructure

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Strongly agree	9%	6%	9%	10%	10%	9%	12%	7%	12%	11%	7%	6%	9%	13%	11%	5%
Tend to agree	18%	16%	23%	18%	16%	18%	21%	15%	16%	19%	22%	22%	18%	19%	11%	15%
Neither agree nor disagree	29%	30%	27%	30%	31%	29%	29%	29%	29%	28%	28%	31%	28%	28%	32%	33%
Tend to disagree	24%	28%	22%	20%	21%	26%	21%	26%	23%	22%	20%	25%	25%	23%	29%	26%
Strongly disagree	14%	9%	10%	13%	15%	15%	13%	14%	14%	14%	13%	13%	14%	11%	13%	15%
Don't know	7%	11%	10%	9%	6%	3%	3%	9%	6%	7%	11%	4%	7%	6%	4%	6%

Successful business people and inventors are just as important to society as doctors, teachers and charity workers

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Tend to agree	41%	35%	38%	38%	48%	42%	41%	42%	44%	40%	41%	42%	42%	37%	39%	43%
Neither agree nor disagree	19%	24%	24%	22%	19%	16%	19%	20%	22%	18%	22%	21%	18%	13%	19%	16%
Tend to disagree	7%	7%	10%	6%	7%	5%	7%	6%	4%	7%	6%	9%	8%	8%	7%	4%
Strongly disagree	3%	4%	3%	4%	2%	3%	4%	2%	2%	3%	3%	4%	2%	3%	3%	4%
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If politicians had not bailed out the banks the economic crash of 2008 would have been more serious

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Strongly agree	16%	14%	11%	13%	14%	20%	20%	12%	13%	19%	11%	16%	16%	20%	15%	19%
Tend to agree	31%	25%	31%	25%	34%	33%	32%	29%	33%	30%	30%	33%	32%	25%	27%	29%
Neither agree nor disagree	20%	16%	20%	28%	21%	18%	19%	22%	25%	17%	19%	21%	20%	15%	24%	20%
Tend to disagree	12%	10%	13%	12%	15%	11%	13%	11%	9%	13%	13%	9%	13%	17%	13%	15%
Strongly disagree	5%	3%	2%	6%	4%	7%	8%	3%	6%	5%	5%	5%	4%	6%	6%	4%
Don't know	16%	32%	23%	17%	13%	10%	8%	23%	15%	15%	21%	15%	15%	17%	15%	13%

I would happily sacrifice 10% of my income if I could have a guarantee that my job would be safe for seven years

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Tend to agree	17%	21%	18%	17%	16%	17%	19%	16%	18%	20%	13%	17%	18%	11%	16%	19%
Neither agree nor disagree	25%	24%	25%	25%	24%	27%	26%	25%	27%	22%	29%	28%	23%	21%	28%	26%
Tend to disagree	19%	18%	19%	24%	19%	17%	18%	19%	17%	20%	17%	22%	20%	20%	15%	19%
Strongly disagree	21%	12%	20%	19%	27%	22%	23%	19%	22%	23%	19%	17%	22%	27%	21%	21%
Don't know	11%	18%	14%	11%	7%	10%	7%	14%	10%	10%	18%	10%	9%	11%	11%	8%

Government should tax or limit cheap consumer goods from abroad that cause unemployment in our own manufacturing industries

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Tend to agree	29%	26%	25%	26%	31%	31%	30%	28%	28%	26%	30%	33%	29%	25%	32%	28%
Neither agree nor disagree	29%	24%	29%	29%	29%	30%	28%	29%	30%	30%	29%	28%	27%	24%	32%	30%
Tend to disagree	11%	10%	9%	12%	11%	12%	13%	10%	11%	10%	9%	13%	12%	13%	11%	10%
Strongly disagree	6%	13%	6%	5%	5%	7%	9%	4%	5%	7%	5%	7%	7%	12%	4%	6%
Don't know	12%	17%	21%	15%	10%	8%	7%	18%	13%	13%	17%	9%	12%	15%	8%	12%