

YouGov Survey Results

Sample Size: 1739 GB Adults
Fieldwork: 5th - 6th October 2014

	Westminster VI				2010 Vote			Gender		Age				Social Grade		Region					
Total	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	UKIP	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 1739	X	X	X	X	540	423	328	843	896	207	440	595	497	991	748	223	565	372	428	151	
Unweighted Sample 1739	483	459	103	198	554	433	347	830	909	110	397	705	527	1221	518	269	526	354	378	212	
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Currently Britain is a member of the European Convention of Human Rights, and since 1998 the convention has been part of British law through the Human Rights Act. If British people think their rights have been infringed they can go to a British court to defend their rights, and if they disagree with the ruling they can take the case to the European Court of Human Rights.

From what you have seen or heard about the subject, do you think putting the European Convention on Human Rights into British law has been a good or bad thing?

A good thing	31	19	45	50	2	16	44	45	34	28	37	34	31	25	34	26	37	29	24	33	38
A bad thing	38	60	23	22	72	62	26	24	42	35	25	25	43	50	38	39	31	39	41	40	35
Neither	8	7	9	8	11	6	8	9	8	9	10	9	8	8	7	10	10	8	10	7	6
Don't know enough to say	22	14	22	20	15	16	21	22	16	29	28	32	18	17	20	25	21	24	25	20	22

The Conservatives have said they will repeal the Human Rights Act and replace it with a British Bill of Rights, which would include the same rights as in the European Convention but with some limitations, including limitations on whether the British government and courts would have to follow the judgements of the European Court of Human Rights.

From what you have seen or heard about them, do you support or oppose these proposals?

Support	43	78	20	22	71	72	27	29	47	38	23	32	47	55	44	41	38	45	44	42	40
Oppose	23	5	44	44	5	6	38	37	29	18	26	24	22	21	26	19	31	19	18	24	33
Neither	5	3	7	4	8	5	7	3	5	6	6	6	6	4	5	7	6	6	7	5	1
Don't know enough to say	29	13	30	30	16	17	29	31	19	38	45	38	25	19	26	33	24	30	31	30	26

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Do you think British courts should or should not have to take account of the rulings of the European Court of Human Rights?

British courts should have to take account of the rulings of the European Court of Human Rights	32	16	51	55	4	13	42	50	35	29	37	36	30	28	34	28	43	29	26	31	39
British courts should not have to take account of the rulings of the European Court of Human Rights	48	72	30	31	85	75	35	34	52	44	26	33	55	61	47	49	38	49	50	51	42
Don't know	21	13	19	14	11	12	22	16	13	28	37	31	14	12	19	23	19	22	23	18	19

If the European Court of Human Rights rules that British laws are infringing people's human rights, do you think Parliament should or should not have to change the law?

Should have to change the law	36	29	48	53	23	26	44	46	39	34	35	37	36	37	38	34	40	35	34	35	45
Should not have to change the law	40	59	30	22	60	60	33	31	45	35	31	29	44	49	41	39	37	41	39	43	33
Don't know	24	13	22	25	17	14	24	23	15	31	34	34	20	14	21	27	23	24	27	22	22

Do you think human rights laws should only apply to serious cases, or should they apply to all cases?

Should only apply to the most serious cases, not to petty or trivial matters	41	55	34	31	57	56	38	37	43	38	30	31	44	50	39	43	40	44	40	39	34
Should apply to all cases, seemingly small issues can often end up being important	41	32	52	54	28	32	48	50	44	39	38	47	41	38	45	36	46	39	39	42	48
Don't know	18	12	14	15	15	12	14	13	13	23	32	22	16	11	16	21	15	17	21	18	18

Do you think human rights laws should or should not apply to British armed forces when stationed or fighting overseas?

Should apply to the British armed forces when stationed or fighting overseas	47	41	54	67	33	38	56	61	43	52	44	52	46	46	51	42	55	47	40	46	57
Should not apply to the British armed forces when stationed or fighting overseas	29	43	24	13	54	44	24	19	42	17	20	19	34	37	29	30	21	29	34	31	27
Don't know	23	16	22	19	13	18	20	20	15	31	36	29	20	18	20	27	24	24	26	23	16

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Do you think human rights should be available to everyone, or should they be limitations in some circumstances, such as people who have broken the law?

Human rights should be protected for everyone, even people who have broken the law themselves	39	31	51	58	26	30	48	51	43	35	35	40	39	41	44	34	47	40	35	36	45
Human rights should be limited for people who have themselves broken the law	40	54	32	25	55	53	34	35	42	39	35	37	45	40	39	42	33	40	44	44	35
Don't know	20	15	17	17	20	17	18	14	15	25	31	23	16	18	17	24	20	20	21	21	20