

YouGov / The Sun Survey Results

Sample Size: 694 GB Adults
Fieldwork: 4th August 2010

	Voting intention			Gender		Age				Social grade		Region				
Total	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Male	Female	18-29	30-39	40-59	60+	ABC1	C2DE	London	Rest of South	Midlands / Wales	North	Scotland
Weighted Sample 694	235	205	66	334	360	153	111	238	193	388	292	89	229	147	170	59
Unweighted Sample	221	176	88	326	368	113	99	238	244	451	229	91	240	148	155	60
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Since the conviction of Jon Venables for child pornography offences the police have three times had to move the man who he exchanged emails with, Leslie Blanchard, to protect him from vigilant attacks. Mr Blanchard was convicted of child pornography offences in October and given a three year community sentence.

Thinking about how the police protect high profile offenders who have been released from prison or given community sentences, which of the following comes closest to your view?

The police have a duty to protect every one from violence, even if they are convicted criminals	29	25	35	46	33	26	26	39	26	31	36	20	30	28	31	23	46
The police should not be using so much of their resources to protect convicted criminals	62	70	57	45	62	63	62	53	64	66	57	70	58	65	64	66	47
Neither	4	3	4	3	3	4	5	3	5	2	4	4	4	3	3	6	2
Don't know	4	2	4	5	3	6	8	5	5	1	3	6	8	3	2	6	5