

YouGov Survey Results

Results

Sample Size: 1474

Fieldwork:

	Region				
Total	London	Rest of South	Midlands and Wales	North	Scotland
%	%	%	%	%	%

Since the last Election in 2001 have you taken action on world poverty? For example this might be by giving money (e.g. to the Tsunami appeal, 'Red Nose Day', or otherwise to a charity working in poorer countries) or taking a campaigning action like sendi

Have	70	72	71	69	68	72
Have not	24	24	24	22	26	22
Not sure	6	4	5	8	7	6

How many children do you think die every day because of the effects of poverty in the world's poorest countries?

Less than 100	0	1	0	1	1	0
Between 100 and 1000	11	8	10	14	13	10
Between 1000 and 5000	19	17	18	19	21	15
Between 5000 and 10,000	14	15	15	16	12	12
Between 10,000 and 25,000	14	14	16	14	12	16
More than 25,000	23	29	20	22	23	28
Don't know	18	16	20	15	18	18

Do you think tackling world poverty is more important, less important or as important as helping the survivors of the tsunami?

Tackling world poverty is more important	34	37	33	30	36	34
Less important	3	2	3	4	3	5
Both equally important	60	58	62	63	58	57
Don't know	3	3	2	4	3	4

'Politicians responded quickly to the Tsunami but they need to respond urgently to the number of children dying every day in Africa.'

Agree strongly	41	43	41	41	38	44
Tend to agree	41	42	44	40	42	37
Tend to disagree	9	6	9	11	10	6
Disagree strongly	3	4	2	2	3	6
Don't know	6	5	4	6	7	7

'All the UK political parties need to do more to tackle global poverty.'

Agree strongly	39	43	37	38	37	44
Tend to agree	39	35	42	41	39	35
Tend to disagree	13	11	13	12	14	11
Disagree strongly	3	4	3	3	3	4
Don't know	6	6	5	6	7	6

'Fighting poverty will do more to make the world safe for all of us than fighting wars.'

Agree strongly	36	40	32	38	33	41
Tend to agree	32	33	33	31	34	29
Tend to disagree	20	16	25	17	20	19
Disagree strongly	4	3	2	4	5	4
Don't know	8	7	9	9	8	7

'Britain should take the lead in trying to fight extreme poverty across the world.'

Agree strongly	28	30	25	32	24	37
Tend to agree	32	35	35	26	36	27
Tend to disagree	24	20	27	24	22	22
Disagree strongly	8	6	6	8	8	9
Don't know	8	9	7	10	9	5

'People in poor countries should be able to work their way out of poverty, so international trade rules should be rewritten to help them do so.'

Agree strongly	39	46	37	37	36	43
Tend to agree	49	44	52	50	50	46
Tend to disagree	5	4	4	5	5	5
Disagree strongly	1	0	1	1	2	2
Don't know	6	6	7	6	7	4

'Rich countries and institutions should cancel the unpayable debts of the poorest countries.'

Agree strongly	37	40	35	36	38	43
Tend to agree	38	38	39	41	32	38
Tend to disagree	13	13	15	12	13	8
Disagree strongly	4	5	3	4	5	4
Don't know	8	5	8	8	12	7

Do you think helping to eradicate poverty around the world should be one of the main priorities of British foreign policy?

Top priority	10	11	8	10	9	13
One of the main priorities	58	62	58	57	56	58
Not a priority	26	20	29	25	28	25
Don't know	6	7	5	8	8	4

In order to help overcome poverty and starvation, governments in rich countries have agreed they should take 7p out of every £10 of national income and spend it on international aid. But they haven't yet reached that target. The British government current

By the end of next year	24	27	23	24	23	22
By 2010	26	24	25	23	28	31
By 2013	8	8	7	10	7	8
Later than 2013	5	6	6	5	5	6
Britain should scrap the target and continue aid at around t	16	19	16	16	15	9
Britain should reduce its budget for overseas aid	9	4	12	8	9	11
Don't know	12	13	10	13	13	13