

YouGov / Sky News Survey Results

Sample Size: 2127 GB Adults

Fieldwork: 7th - 10th August 2009

	Total	Gender		Age					Social Grade		Region						
	Base	Male	Female	18 to 24	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 +	ABC1	C2DE	North	Midlands	East	London	South	Wales	Scotland
Unweighted Base	2127	994	1133	175	390	365	299	898	1279	848	501	307	189	330	484	97	219
Weighted Base	2127	1021	1106	255	387	379	361	744	1170	957	523	349	204	272	487	106	185

Do you think it is clear WHY British troops are fighting a war in Afghanistan?

Yes it is very clear why British troops are in Afghanistan	13%	19%	7%	8%	8%	12%	16%	16%	12%	15%	12%	13%	17%	10%	13%	18%	13%
Yes it is fairly clear why British troops are in Afghanistan	31%	36%	26%	28%	35%	35%	31%	27%	34%	27%	31%	25%	31%	34%	35%	24%	28%
No it is not very clear why British troops are in Afghanistan	35%	26%	42%	44%	37%	34%	32%	32%	35%	35%	34%	40%	32%	35%	32%	39%	37%
No it is not clear at all why British troops are in Afghanistan	20%	18%	22%	19%	17%	17%	20%	24%	19%	22%	22%	19%	21%	19%	19%	20%	19%
Don't know	1%	0%	2%	2%	3%	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	3%	-	1%	1%	-	3%

Do you think British troops should or should not be fighting in Afghanistan?

Should be fighting	28%	40%	17%	27%	26%	30%	28%	28%	29%	27%	29%	23%	30%	25%	30%	28%	28%
Should not be fighting	57%	50%	64%	52%	52%	54%	60%	61%	56%	58%	58%	58%	57%	57%	54%	58%	60%
Don't know	15%	10%	20%	21%	22%	16%	12%	11%	15%	15%	13%	19%	13%	18%	16%	14%	12%

Given that British troops are in Afghanistan, do you think the British Government should be doing more to support them or are they already doing the best they can?

The Government should be doing more to support British troops	82%	81%	82%	81%	76%	81%	82%	85%	80%	83%	81%	79%	86%	76%	85%	86%	78%
The Government are already doing the best they can to support British troops	12%	14%	10%	10%	12%	11%	14%	11%	13%	10%	12%	12%	11%	11%	11%	8%	13%
Don't know	7%	5%	8%	8%	12%	8%	5%	4%	7%	7%	6%	8%	4%	12%	4%	6%	8%

All figures, unless otherwise stated, are from YouGov Plc.