

YouGov-Cambridge Survey Results

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Sample Size: 64303 GB Adults

Fieldwork: 13th April - 20th May 2011

	Party ID			Vote 2010			Gender		Age			Social Grade		Region							
	Total	Lab	Con	Lib Dem	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	ABC1	C2DE	North	Midlands	East	London	South	Wales	Scotland
Weighted Sample	2065	671	567	262	594	502	486	1015	1050	603	765	697	1332	719	475	379	200	273	455	111	172
Unweighted Sample	2102	512	602	259	633	396	539	1094	1008	573	789	740	1513	574	437	323	225	271	548	121	177
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Which of these statements do you most agree with?

In general, I think government is a force for good. It helps improve my life and that of my family. It's normally part of the solution not the problem	23	24	30	24	28	23	26	24	23	25	22	24	27	17	19	26	25	22	25	20	30
In general, government doesn't really seem to have much impact on my life of that of my family.	17	16	19	18	21	15	15	17	18	18	15	20	17	18	17	18	22	16	14	26	20
In general, I think government gets in the way and makes my life and that of my family harder. Overall, it's part of the problem not the solution.	32	34	27	33	28	36	33	36	28	28	36	31	31	32	40	25	28	25	36	30	26
None of them	15	15	11	16	12	14	16	13	17	13	16	15	14	16	17	13	13	18	14	12	13
Don't know	13	11	13	9	11	12	10	11	14	17	11	11	11	16	7	18	12	20	11	13	11
Weighted Sample	2203	680	647	285	692	541	458	1081	1122	713	737	753	1415	779	532	356	207	273	519	108	207
Unweighted Sample	2169	495	650	272	710	410	510	1149	1020	616	764	789	1543	617	496	328	211	255	565	109	205
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

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The cuts in public spending the Government is currently making should be temporary. The Government should increase spending on public services again when the public finances are in better shape.	64	76	50	70	52	78	72	59	68	61	64	65	63	64	69	61	61	56	60	66	74
The cuts in public spending the Government is currently making should be permanent. The Government should look to reduce its role for the long term.	20	5	38	18	36	3	13	27	13	21	18	20	22	16	14	21	23	23	25	17	14
None of them	8	12	6	5	5	13	7	9	8	5	10	9	8	10	8	8	6	10	8	9	8
Don't know	8	6	6	7	7	6	8	5	11	12	7	5	7	10	8	10	10	11	7	8	4

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Unweighted Sample	10511	2440	3100	1238	3329	1969	2636	5467	5044	2866	3680	3965	7418	3048	2351	1509	1008	1312	2773	576	982
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Here are some groups of statements about political issues. For each group, please say which comes closest to your view.

It is vital that the Government increases its overall spending, and if necessary increases taxes to pay for it	7	13	2	7	2	14	7	9	5	5	8	7	7	6	7	7	6	7	6	7	8
It is vital that the Government reduces its overall spending, and reduces taxes	21	15	30	16	29	14	15	23	19	24	20	19	20	21	21	20	21	24	22	18	16
The current balance between spending and taxes is about right	5	3	7	5	7	2	4	5	4	6	4	4	5	4	4	4	6	5	5	4	3
What matters most is not the overall level of spending and taxes, but the willingness and ability of the Government to tax fairly and spend efficiently	58	58	56	62	56	60	64	55	60	49	57	65	59	55	57	56	58	52	59	62	63
Don't know	10	11	5	9	7	9	9	7	13	16	11	6	9	13	11	12	8	13	9	9	10

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The Government should do far more to help the poor, and tax everyone else more to pay for this help	16	28	5	15	5	28	18	18	15	13	18	17	13	21	17	14	14	16	14	24	19
The poor should take far more responsibility for their own circumstances; the Government should hand out less money in benefits, and reduce taxes	33	20	52	26	49	19	25	34	31	36	31	30	37	24	29	34	39	37	33	25	29
The current balance between taxes and help for the poor is about right	6	6	6	7	6	6	5	7	5	7	6	5	6	7	7	5	7	4	6	4	6
What matters is not whether taxes and benefits go up or down, but whether the Government uses the money fairly and sensibly	35	36	31	42	32	39	42	34	37	28	35	42	35	35	36	35	31	31	38	35	37
Don't know	10	9	5	9	7	9	9	8	13	15	10	6	9	12	10	12	8	12	9	11	9

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	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Thinking about you and your immediate family, do you think the overall value of the benefits and public services you receive are worth more or less than the taxes you pay?

We are net gainers: the benefits and public services I/we receive are worth MORE than the taxes I/we pay	8	8	7	10	6	8	10	8	7	7	7	10	7	10	9	7	8	6	8	8	8
We are net losers: the benefits and public services I/we receive are worth LESS than the taxes I/we pay	55	52	61	54	59	52	55	61	49	55	60	50	61	45	54	57	50	56	56	52	56
The benefits and public services I/we receive are worth ABOUT THE SAME AS the taxes I/we pay	15	17	14	19	15	16	17	14	16	13	13	19	15	15	15	14	16	13	16	16	14
Not sure	22	23	18	17	20	24	18	17	27	25	21	21	18	30	23	22	26	24	19	24	21

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Using the 0 to 10 scale below, where the end marked 0 means that government should cut taxes a lot and spend much less on health and social services, and the end marked 10 means that government should raise taxes a lot and spend much more on health and social services, where would you place yourself on this scale?

0 - Government should cut taxes a lot and spend much less on health and social services	3	2	5	1	5	2	2	4	2	3	3	2	3	2	2	3	3	5	3	4	2
1	1	1	2	1	2	0	1	2	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1
2	3	2	6	2	5	1	2	4	2	4	3	3	3	2	3	3	3	4	3	2	2
3	6	3	11	5	10	3	4	8	5	6	6	6	7	5	6	7	7	7	7	4	6
4	9	6	12	10	12	6	8	11	8	10	9	9	10	8	9	9	9	10	9	9	9
5	33	27	36	32	37	29	32	30	35	31	33	34	32	33	32	35	32	31	34	32	30
6	14	15	13	17	12	16	15	13	14	15	13	14	14	14	15	11	16	13	13	18	15
7	11	16	6	13	6	15	14	11	11	8	12	12	11	10	11	11	10	8	12	9	11
8	6	10	3	7	3	10	8	6	6	3	7	8	5	7	6	5	7	6	5	7	7
9	2	4	1	1	1	4	2	2	2	1	2	3	2	2	2	3	1	2	1	2	2
10 - Government should increase taxes a lot and spend much more on health and social services	4	7	1	3	1	7	4	5	3	3	4	4	4	4	4	3	3	4	3	5	5
Don't know	9	7	5	8	6	7	10	5	12	14	9	5	8	12	9	9	9	11	7	8	10