

YouGov Survey Results

Sample Size: 1942 GB Adults
Fieldwork: 11th - 12th August 2014

	Westminster VI					2010 Vote			Gender		Age				Social Grade		Region					Reintroduction of death penalty for murder		
	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	Support	Oppose	Don't know
Weighted Sample	1942	X	X	X	X	579	465	425	942	1000	231	491	664	555	1107	835	249	631	416	478	169	866	749	327
Unweighted Sample	1942	460	624	106	201	521	514	399	950	992	219	384	791	548	1249	693	319	554	424	426	219	819	820	303
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	Sept 8-9 2010	Aug 11-12 2014																							
Would you support or oppose the re-introduction of the death penalty for murder?																									
Support	51	45	54	35	35	73	56	37	37	47	43	27	39	48	52	39	52	36	47	42	49	41	100	0	0
Oppose	37	39	31	50	58	15	28	46	50	39	38	52	41	37	33	47	28	42	38	39	35	43	0	100	0
Don't know	12	17	15	14	7	12	16	16	13	14	19	20	19	15	15	15	20	23	14	18	16	16	0	0	100

On Wednesday it will be 50 years since the death penalty was last used in Britain in 1964. In 1969 the death penalty was abolished altogether. Do you think that it was a good thing or a bad thing that the death penalty was abolished in Britain?

A good thing	42	34	53	62	15	30	49	55	44	40	57	44	40	36	50	31	43	41	42	39	51	5	95	18
A bad thing	42	53	32	26	75	54	35	33	43	41	22	34	46	52	36	49	33	45	38	45	40	88	3	8
Don't know	16	14	15	12	11	15	16	12	13	20	21	22	14	12	14	20	24	14	20	16	9	7	2	74

Do you think that executing murderers deters others from committing murder?

Yes	45	54	37	33	70	56	40	38	44	46	40	40	46	51	41	51	42	47	43	48	39	81	9	31
No	41	32	54	57	22	30	50	51	43	40	45	42	42	39	47	34	43	42	41	37	50	11	83	27
Don't know	13	14	9	10	8	14	10	11	13	14	15	18	12	11	12	15	15	11	16	15	11	8	8	42

Which do you personally think would be worse?

Being executed	40	44	39	29	49	48	39	35	40	40	32	39	44	40	42	38	36	41	36	44	42	53	30	28
Spending the rest of your life in prison with no possibility of parole	42	40	45	49	40	36	44	48	42	42	47	42	41	42	41	43	44	42	44	39	46	37	52	33
Don't know	18	16	16	23	11	17	17	18	17	18	21	19	15	19	17	19	20	17	20	17	12	10	18	39

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Beheading

Strongly approve	5	4	4	2	11	5	4	5	7	3	4	6	5	3	4	5	5	5	4	6	3	9	1	3
Tend to approve	4	4	3	11	5	4	4	4	5	3	6	6	3	3	3	5	4	6	2	4	3	7	2	2
TOTAL APPROVE	9	8	7	13	16	9	8	9	12	6	10	12	8	6	7	10	9	11	6	10	6	16	3	5
Tend to disapprove	12	13	10	5	14	14	9	10	10	13	13	13	11	11	11	12	13	9	10	16	10	16	6	14
Strongly disapprove	72	75	77	76	64	72	77	74	70	73	66	64	76	76	76	67	68	73	74	68	79	62	90	54
TOTAL DISAPPROVE	84	88	87	81	78	86	86	84	80	86	79	77	87	87	87	79	81	82	84	84	89	78	96	68
Don't know	8	4	6	5	6	6	6	6	8	8	10	11	6	7	6	11	10	8	10	6	5	6	2	27