

YouGov / The Sun Survey Results

Sample Size: 1751 GB Adults
Fieldwork: 28th - 29th July 2013

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Thinking about governments of different parties in recent years, how big a problem, if any, do you think the following are in Britain these days?

Politicians of all parties pursuing the wrong policies

Very large problem	35	23	36	27	53	32	36	38	36	33	29	25	38	42	32	39	33	35	31	38	36
Fairly large problem	43	50	47	47	39	44	48	42	45	41	37	44	45	43	45	41	39	44	46	43	41
TOTAL LARGE PROBLEM	78	73	83	74	92	76	84	80	81	74	66	69	83	85	77	80	72	79	77	81	77
Not much of a problem	11	19	10	18	5	16	9	11	11	12	14	13	11	9	15	6	13	11	12	11	6
Not a problem at all	1	2	1	2	0	2	1	1	2	0	3	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	2	0	2
TOTAL NOT MUCH / NOT A PROBLEM	12	21	11	20	5	18	10	12	13	12	17	14	12	10	16	8	15	12	14	11	8
Don't know	10	6	6	7	3	7	7	9	6	13	17	17	5	5	8	12	14	8	10	7	14

Big government projects that don't work, or go over-budget (e.g. infrastructure and IT projects)

Very large problem	44	39	44	41	65	46	44	47	44	44	27	34	48	56	44	44	40	47	40	45	45
Fairly large problem	39	48	40	37	28	41	41	40	38	39	32	38	42	39	40	37	38	40	36	41	34
TOTAL LARGE PROBLEM	83	87	84	78	93	87	85	87	82	83	59	72	90	95	84	81	78	87	76	86	79
Not much of a problem	8	8	10	15	3	6	9	8	10	6	22	8	6	4	9	7	11	5	12	7	7
Not a problem at all	1	1	1	4	0	2	0	1	1	1	3	3	0	0	1	1	0	2	2	0	0
TOTAL NOT MUCH / NOT A PROBLEM	9	9	11	19	3	8	9	9	11	7	25	11	6	4	10	8	11	7	14	7	7
Don't know	8	4	6	2	3	5	6	3	7	9	16	17	4	2	6	10	10	5	10	7	14

A complex and badly-run tax system

Very large problem	39	34	43	38	51	34	44	43	40	38	38	29	43	44	37	42	43	37	34	44	42
Fairly large problem	40	41	39	42	42	44	37	43	41	39	31	40	41	43	42	38	31	46	42	38	35
TOTAL LARGE PROBLEM	79	75	82	80	93	78	81	86	81	77	69	69	84	87	79	80	74	83	76	82	77
Not much of a problem	11	19	11	16	4	15	11	8	11	11	12	14	12	8	13	9	15	10	13	10	12
Not a problem at all	1	2	1	1	0	2	1	1	2	1	2	2	1	0	1	1	0	1	2	1	0
TOTAL NOT MUCH / NOT A PROBLEM	12	21	12	17	4	17	12	9	13	12	14	16	13	8	14	10	15	11	15	11	12
Don't know	8	4	6	3	2	5	7	5	6	10	17	15	3	4	6	11	11	6	9	8	11

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Wasteful administration of government departments at a national level

Very large problem	43	40	43	30	65	47	41	44	43	43	25	29	46	58	40	46	38	43	41	47	42
Fairly large problem	38	47	38	45	31	41	41	39	39	38	41	44	37	33	41	35	35	41	41	36	33
TOTAL LARGE PROBLEM	81	87	81	75	96	88	82	83	82	81	66	73	83	91	81	81	73	84	82	83	75
Not much of a problem	9	9	11	19	1	7	11	10	10	9	15	9	11	5	11	7	14	9	8	8	10
Not a problem at all	1	2	2	2	0	1	1	2	2	1	3	3	1	0	2	1	1	1	2	1	3
TOTAL NOT MUCH / NOT A PROBLEM	10	11	13	21	1	8	12	12	12	10	18	12	12	5	13	8	15	10	10	9	13
Don't know	8	3	6	4	3	4	7	6	6	11	16	15	5	3	7	11	12	7	9	7	12

Wasteful delivery of government services at local level (e.g. schools, hospitals)

Very large problem	35	33	33	29	55	38	34	30	35	35	26	29	33	47	31	40	37	34	31	40	33
Fairly large problem	41	49	41	44	32	45	42	43	42	40	43	39	45	38	45	37	37	44	42	39	44
TOTAL LARGE PROBLEM	76	82	74	73	87	83	76	73	77	75	69	68	78	85	76	77	74	78	73	79	77
Not much of a problem	12	11	17	22	5	9	15	19	14	11	12	13	16	8	15	9	12	15	12	11	11
Not a problem at all	2	2	3	1	2	2	2	3	3	1	1	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
TOTAL NOT MUCH / NOT A PROBLEM	14	13	20	23	7	11	17	22	17	12	13	16	18	10	17	11	14	17	14	13	13
Don't know	9	5	5	4	5	6	8	5	7	12	17	16	4	6	7	12	11	6	13	9	10

Pay-offs to senior public officials who are forced to resign

Very large problem	53	50	56	42	70	55	59	55	52	54	23	37	60	74	50	58	48	52	53	56	59
Fairly large problem	29	36	29	34	27	32	28	27	31	27	36	38	27	21	32	26	28	33	28	28	21
TOTAL LARGE PROBLEM	82	86	85	76	97	87	87	82	83	81	59	75	87	95	82	84	76	85	81	84	80
Not much of a problem	9	10	9	19	1	7	7	12	10	7	19	9	9	4	11	5	12	7	9	9	5
Not a problem at all	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	2	0	3	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	2	0	3
TOTAL NOT MUCH / NOT A PROBLEM	10	11	10	20	1	8	7	13	12	7	22	10	10	4	12	6	13	7	11	9	8
Don't know	8	4	5	4	3	4	6	5	6	10	19	15	4	2	7	10	12	6	8	7	12

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Thinking about when senior officials in the public sector are forced to resign from their positions, do you think there should be a cap on the amount of severance pay they receive?

No, there should not be a cap on the severance pay they receive	2	3	3	2	2	2	2	3	3	2	3	3	2	1	3	2	5	3	2	1	2
Yes, there should be a cap of 12 month's pay	16	14	19	33	12	12	21	22	19	14	20	17	16	15	17	16	18	18	13	15	22
Yes, there should be a cap of 6 month's pay	16	22	13	15	12	20	15	14	14	17	19	19	14	13	19	11	13	18	15	14	19
Yes, there should be a cap of 3 month's pay	15	20	13	20	17	18	11	16	14	16	15	15	16	15	17	13	16	15	18	14	12
Yes, there should be a cap of 1 month's pay	12	11	13	11	14	12	13	15	9	16	7	10	13	16	10	15	14	11	14	12	10
No, they should not receive any severance pay at all	30	25	31	14	39	32	31	26	33	28	17	22	34	38	28	34	22	29	32	35	27
Don't know	8	4	8	5	5	4	7	3	8	7	18	14	4	1	7	9	11	6	6	9	8

Thinking about when senior officials in the public sector are forced to resign their positions, which of the following statements comes closer to your view?

Severance pay for these officials is usually a way of rewarding their failure in the role	59	64	57	50	69	67	58	58	62	57	41	52	66	66	58	61	53	63	57	61	56
Severance pay for these officials is usually a fair recognition of the work they have done in the role	13	12	17	25	7	10	17	13	14	13	20	14	12	11	15	11	15	14	13	12	15
Neither of these	17	18	19	20	17	16	19	21	15	18	16	15	17	19	19	14	20	16	18	16	14
Don't know	10	6	7	5	7	6	7	8	8	12	22	19	5	3	8	13	11	8	12	11	14

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Thinking specifically about waste (rather than whether government policies are right or wrong), in which two or three, if any, of the following areas do you think most government waste occurs?

Welfare benefits system	52	73	39	44	66	69	37	51	50	53	37	42	58	59	57	45	46	60	55	46	34
Immigration system	51	54	48	35	75	59	52	43	49	52	36	37	55	64	47	56	41	53	52	51	50
Health care	30	36	29	28	39	37	27	34	32	29	17	28	32	36	33	27	33	32	28	27	32
Services run by local government (e.g. refuse collection, road maintenance, libraries)	20	26	17	18	21	24	18	16	23	16	14	23	20	18	18	22	21	17	19	22	21
Law and order (police, prisons, courts etc.)	17	14	19	19	19	13	22	17	17	17	22	13	18	17	16	18	15	15	20	18	17
The Armed forces	13	9	17	27	8	8	13	21	17	9	17	14	12	11	15	10	15	13	10	14	10
Education	9	12	9	9	6	8	9	11	9	8	12	8	8	9	10	7	9	9	9	7	8
None of these	4	1	7	4	1	2	7	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	5	4	4	4	3
Don't know	12	7	10	7	2	7	9	9	10	13	24	19	7	5	10	14	13	8	14	11	20

Thinking about the following public services, do you think more money is wasted when they are run by the public or private sector?

Prisons

More money is wasted when they are provided by the public sector	24	41	14	20	27	35	16	19	28	19	22	23	26	22	26	21	27	27	18	21	28
More money is wasted when they are provided by the private sector	29	19	46	26	25	21	44	34	31	28	18	22	33	37	30	28	27	25	32	33	31
Both equally	21	20	18	32	33	23	18	23	23	20	22	18	19	25	21	21	16	24	21	22	16
Neither	4	2	5	6	3	2	5	4	4	4	6	5	5	1	4	4	5	4	4	4	4
Don't know	22	17	17	18	12	18	17	20	14	29	32	32	17	14	19	26	26	20	25	19	21

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Hospitals

More money is wasted when they are provided by the public sector	29	52	15	30	39	46	17	28	32	25	18	24	32	33	34	22	27	35	27	24	29
More money is wasted when they are provided by the private sector	26	15	41	23	18	17	37	31	28	25	24	19	29	30	27	25	27	23	23	32	30
Both equally	23	17	22	34	31	20	24	25	23	22	22	23	20	26	21	24	19	22	25	25	17
Neither	4	3	6	4	3	3	5	3	4	4	5	5	5	2	3	5	5	5	3	3	4
Don't know	18	14	16	9	9	13	16	14	13	23	31	29	13	10	14	24	22	15	22	16	20

Schools

More money is wasted when they are provided by the public sector	27	46	15	23	38	42	15	26	30	24	19	22	30	29	30	22	29	31	25	22	25
More money is wasted when they are provided by the private sector	23	14	38	20	13	14	35	26	25	21	21	20	24	24	24	21	24	20	21	27	25
Both equally	23	18	21	37	30	23	22	25	24	22	21	22	22	28	23	24	20	24	23	26	18
Neither	6	5	7	9	8	4	8	7	6	6	7	6	8	4	6	6	7	8	5	5	5
Don't know	21	18	19	11	10	16	20	17	15	27	32	30	16	15	17	27	21	17	26	21	26

The police/ private security

More money is wasted when they are provided by the public sector	21	35	14	19	25	31	17	17	25	17	14	19	23	23	23	19	21	24	18	19	20
More money is wasted when they are provided by the private sector	30	24	42	32	22	25	38	37	34	27	26	25	34	32	32	27	32	27	32	30	33
Both equally	23	20	21	31	35	23	23	24	23	23	24	18	22	29	22	24	18	23	20	30	19
Neither	4	4	5	7	5	4	3	6	4	4	3	5	6	2	4	4	5	5	4	3	3
Don't know	22	18	18	11	13	17	19	16	14	29	33	33	16	14	18	27	24	20	25	19	26

Pensions

More money is wasted when they are provided by the public sector	23	41	15	23	30	34	16	23	29	18	17	19	27	25	26	19	25	25	20	22	27
More money is wasted when they are provided by the private sector	22	12	35	17	18	15	34	23	24	20	17	20	26	22	24	20	25	19	21	26	23
Both equally	24	20	23	31	35	25	22	25	24	24	24	22	21	30	23	26	20	26	25	26	14
Neither	7	6	6	14	5	6	6	10	6	8	8	4	9	6	6	7	6	8	8	4	4
Don't know	24	20	21	14	12	20	22	19	17	31	34	35	18	17	21	28	25	22	26	22	32

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Thinking about when they are in government,
which, if any, party do you think spends tax
money most effectively?

The Conservative party	22	66	1	16	17	49	4	12	25	19	22	20	22	22	26	16	20	29	20	16	14
The Labour party	15	1	43	5	2	2	38	13	17	13	19	20	14	11	15	15	18	9	11	24	20
Neither of them spend money effectively	47	26	42	62	74	40	46	61	46	48	29	34	53	59	45	50	42	48	51	46	48
Both equally	3	2	2	7	4	3	1	4	3	3	1	4	2	3	2	3	8	3	1	2	3
Don't know	13	4	11	10	3	6	11	10	9	17	29	22	9	4	12	15	13	12	16	12	15