

YouGov / Huffington Post Survey Results

Sample Size: 667 GB Adults
Fieldwork: 10th - 10th June 2013

	Gender		Age				Social grade		Region					
	Total	Male	Female	18-24*	25-39	40-59	60+	ABC1	C2DE	London	Rest of South	Midlands / Wales	North	Scotland
Weighted Sample	667	324	343	81	170	228	188	380	287	85	217	143	164	58
Unweighted Sample	667	319	348	28	205	262	172	469	198	87	233	119	162	66
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It has been suggested that the law should be changed to give police and security services access the records kept by mobile phone and internet service provider companies. These would include individuals' web browsing, email and social media activity, though not the content of emails or social messages.

In principle do you think this proposal...

- Goes too far: it undermines our right to privacy
- Is a good idea, given the way technology is evolving
- Does not go far enough: the police and security services should also access to the content of emails and social messages
- Don't know

38	46	30	24	44	40	35	41	34	32	37	37	40	45
43	38	48	57	35	39	51	41	46	52	45	41	42	35
8	10	7	0	6	13	7	9	7	8	6	9	9	13
11	6	15	19	14	8	7	8	14	8	12	12	9	7

In the past few days, news reports suggest that British security services have had access to records kept by US intelligence services about British citizens' online activity, even though the US agencies might have gained this information in ways that are currently illegal in Britain.

If this information is correct, are you...

- Pleased that the UK security services are getting information that might help them track down criminals and terrorists
- Sorry that the UK agencies might be getting round British law to undermine our right to privacy
- Don't know

46	48	44	41	38	51	48	46	46	56	45	46	43	42
39	44	35	31	43	38	41	41	37	30	37	42	43	45
15	7	22	27	19	11	10	13	17	14	18	12	14	13

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If you had to choose between these two options, which would you prefer?

Britain's police and security agencies respect both our right to privacy and the right of Parliament to decide these matters; they should always obey the law	45	49	41	30	42	47	50	48	40	36	45	49	45	46
Britain's police and security agencies must keep up with technology, if necessary going beyond the law in order to obtain information that help them fight serious crime and terrorism	42	44	40	48	39	45	39	38	47	54	38	38	46	41
Not sure	13	7	19	21	18	8	12	13	13	10	18	13	9	13

**Any percentages calculated on bases fewer than 50 respondents do not represent a wide enough cross-section of the target population to be considered statistically reliable. These figures will be italicised.*