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Fieldwork: 9th - 10th March 2015

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Unweighted base	2148	1040	1108	286	271	337	422	832	1149	999	472	317	195	321	448	1753	114	228	53
Base: All UK adults	2148	1033	1115	258	347	370	408	765	1181	967	513	344	200	266	477	1800	105	183	60
Excellent	23%	33%	14%	33%	28%	22%	22%	18%	26%	19%	23%	19%	25%	28%	24%	23%	15%	24%	22%
Good	41%	38%	43%	37%	37%	42%	42%	43%	43%	39%	40%	39%	39%	43%	41%	41%	42%	41%	51%
Satisfactory	29%	24%	35%	21%	29%	29%	28%	33%	27%	32%	32%	32%	29%	22%	29%	29%	35%	27%	25%
Poor	4%	3%	5%	4%	4%	5%	5%	4%	3%	7%	4%	6%	3%	5%	4%	4%	7%	5%	1%
Very Poor	2%	1%	2%	1%	3%	1%	1%	2%	1%	3%	2%	2%	2%	0%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	4%	0%	-	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	-	1%	-
Net: Good	64%	71%	57%	71%	65%	64%	65%	61%	69%	58%	63%	59%	64%	71%	65%	64%	57%	65%	73%
Net: Poor	6%	4%	8%	5%	6%	6%	6%	6%	3%	9%	5%	8%	5%	6%	5%	6%	8%	7%	2%

Thinking about your current level of maths and numeracy skills...

Would you like to improve your maths and numeracy skills?

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Yes, I would	28%	28%	29%	34%	41%	32%	22%	22%	27%	30%	29%	27%	24%	37%	24%	28%	31%	28%	28%
Yes, I would and I am already taking steps to do so	5%	7%	4%	14%	6%	6%	4%	3%	4%	8%	4%	4%	8%	7%	6%	6%	4%	7%	1%
No, I wouldn't	60%	59%	60%	42%	46%	58%	70%	67%	65%	54%	60%	63%	61%	51%	63%	60%	57%	57%	60%
Don't know	7%	6%	7%	9%	7%	5%	5%	7%	5%	9%	6%	6%	7%	6%	7%	6%	7%	8%	11%

You mentioned that you would like to improve, or are already taking steps to improve, your maths and numeracy skills...

Which, if any, of the following are reasons for this?  
(Please select all that apply)

Unweighted base	689	324	365	139	121	117	104	208	334	355	148	95	60	127	130	560	36	77	16
Base: All UK adults who would like to improve their maths and numeracy skills	723	359	363	125	162	137	103	195	359	364	173	107	63	116	145	604	37	64	17
To help me get a job	7%	8%	6%	24%	5%	1%	5%	2%	3%	10%	5%	6%	12%	4%	5%	6%	13%	9%	12%
To help me get a better job	12%	13%	12%	13%	24%	16%	9%	2%	11%	13%	10%	9%	13%	15%	10%	11%	24%	10%	34%
To become better at my current job	14%	17%	12%	11%	23%	24%	12%	3%	18%	10%	20%	10%	20%	14%	9%	15%	2%	17%	16%
To better manage my money (e.g. budgeting, finances, getting the best deals, shopping, etc.)	37%	37%	37%	40%	38%	22%	43%	41%	32%	42%	34%	32%	33%	44%	41%	37%	28%	33%	55%
To be able to better help my child(ren) with their maths schoolwork	15%	12%	18%	4%	20%	31%	21%	4%	14%	16%	14%	19%	20%	15%	13%	16%	6%	16%	13%
To become better at day-to-day activities (e.g. DIY, cooking, planning my time, etc.)	26%	28%	24%	28%	32%	21%	19%	26%	23%	28%	30%	23%	22%	25%	22%	25%	28%	29%	21%
To better manage my/ someone else's health (e.g. calorie counting, medicine doses, making decisions about treatments, understanding health risks, etc.)	11%	13%	9%	11%	11%	13%	9%	11%	11%	12%	13%	14%	13%	11%	10%	12%	7%	6%	7%
To better understand statistics in the media	25%	24%	26%	23%	14%	22%	23%	38%	28%	22%	23%	18%	18%	28%	34%	25%	26%	22%	18%
Other	22%	20%	23%	23%	17%	20%	17%	28%	25%	18%	19%	24%	28%	19%	24%	22%	19%	22%	16%

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Excellent	Good	Satisfactory	Poor	Very Poor	Don't know	Good (NET)	Poor (NET)	Yes	Yes and I am taking steps to do so	No	Don't know

On the scale below, how would you rate your own maths and numeracy?

Unweighted base	519	881	598	98	31	21	1400	129	574	115	1311	148
Base: All UK adults	495	879	629	94	32	18	1374	127	606	117	1283	143
Excellent	100%	-	-	-	-	-	36%	-	18%	27%	27%	5%
Good	-	100%	-	-	-	-	64%	-	39%	32%	43%	41%
Satisfactory	-	-	100%	-	-	-	-	-	33%	36%	26%	36%
Poor	-	-	-	100%	-	-	-	75%	8%	3%	3%	8%
Very Poor	-	-	-	-	100%	-	-	25%	3%	2%	1%	2%
Don't know	-	-	-	-	-	100%	-	-	0%	-	0%	8%
Net: Good	100%	100%	-	-	-	-	100%	-	56%	59%	70%	46%
Net: Poor	-	-	-	100%	100%	-	-	100%	11%	5%	3%	10%

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Yes, I would	22%	27%	32%	49%	54%	6%	25%	51%	100%	-	-	-
Yes, I would and I am already taking steps to do so	6%	4%	7%	4%	7%	-	5%	4%	-	100%	-	-
No, I wouldn't	70%	63%	53%	34%	33%	31%	65%	34%	-	-	100%	-
Don't know	2%	7%	8%	13%	7%	64%	5%	11%	-	-	-	100%

You mentioned that you would like to improve, or are already taking steps to improve, your maths and numeracy skills...

Which, if any, of the following are reasons for this?  
(Please select all that apply)

Unweighted base	139	260	219	51	19	1	399	70	574	115	-	-
Base: All UK adults who would like to improve their maths and numeracy skills	139	271	242	50	20	1	410	70	606	117	-	-
To help me get a job	14%	5%	4%	10%	11%	-	8%	10%	5%	16%	-	-
To help me get a better job	9%	14%	14%	3%	17%	-	12%	7%	13%	7%	-	-
To become better at my current job	11%	17%	12%	15%	31%	-	15%	19%	15%	11%	-	-
To better manage my money (e.g. budgeting, finances, getting the best deals, shopping, etc.)	28%	34%	42%	55%	32%	100%	32%	48%	39%	26%	-	-
To be able to better help my child(ren) with their maths schoolwork	3%	15%	18%	26%	29%	-	11%	27%	17%	5%	-	-
To become better at day-to-day activities (e.g. DIY, cooking, planning my time, etc.)	18%	25%	29%	32%	27%	-	23%	31%	27%	21%	-	-
To better manage my/ someone else's health (e.g. calorie counting, medicine doses, making decisions about treatments, understanding health risks, etc.)	10%	8%	15%	6%	24%	-	9%	11%	10%	15%	-	-
To better understand statistics in the media	21%	29%	24%	25%	5%	-	27%	19%	26%	20%	-	-
Other	35%	22%	17%	7%	15%	-	27%	9%	21%	22%	-	-

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Which, if any, of the following do you think studying for this level of school certificate in Mathematics has prepared you well for? (Please select all that apply)

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Base: All UK adults	2148	1033	1115	258	347	370	408	765	1181	967	513	344	200	266	477	1800	105	183	60
Job interviews/ applications	33%	34%	32%	34%	33%	30%	34%	33%	38%	27%	34%	37%	27%	27%	34%	33%	33%	30%	42%
My job/ previous job(s) (e.g. handling numerical information or doing calculations, etc.)	51%	54%	47%	38%	51%	47%	54%	55%	59%	41%	47%	54%	52%	45%	52%	50%	54%	50%	61%
Managing money (e.g. budgeting, finances, getting the best deals, shopping, etc.)	57%	59%	55%	47%	57%	55%	58%	60%	63%	50%	54%	62%	54%	55%	61%	58%	49%	47%	74%
Day-to-day activities (e.g. DIY, cooking, planning my time, etc.)	51%	50%	52%	48%	56%	50%	53%	49%	56%	45%	46%	58%	50%	52%	53%	51%	51%	45%	65%
Helping my child(ren) (e.g. with numbers, their maths schoolwork, etc.)	29%	28%	29%	1%	12%	31%	39%	39%	33%	24%	27%	30%	28%	21%	33%	28%	27%	28%	39%
Managing my/ someone else's health (e.g. calorie counting, medicine doses, making decisions about treatments, understanding health risks, etc.)	26%	23%	29%	27%	20%	26%	26%	29%	30%	22%	23%	25%	28%	28%	27%	26%	25%	29%	44%
Understanding statistics in the media	38%	46%	30%	41%	36%	35%	37%	40%	44%	31%	36%	39%	37%	39%	40%	38%	34%	34%	44%
None of these	8%	8%	8%	10%	10%	13%	7%	4%	8%	8%	9%	5%	12%	10%	7%	8%	7%	6%	5%
Don't know	4%	4%	4%	7%	4%	4%	4%	2%	3%	5%	5%	2%	2%	4%	3%	4%	7%	5%	-
Not applicable – I did not study Mathematics for this level of school certificate	14%	12%	15%	9%	4%	4%	12%	25%	9%	19%	13%	13%	10%	11%	16%	13%	19%	16%	6%

Which, if any, of the following areas have you ever found challenging because it involved maths or numeracy? (Please select all that apply)

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My job/ previous job(s) (e.g. handling numerical information or doing calculations, etc.)	10%	11%	9%	11%	15%	14%	9%	7%	11%	9%	10%	12%	12%	11%	10%	11%	12%	7%	3%
Managing money (e.g. budgeting, finances, getting the best deals, shopping, etc.)	9%	10%	9%	17%	15%	11%	5%	6%	8%	11%	9%	10%	12%	15%	7%	10%	6%	5%	11%
Day-to-day activities (e.g. DIY, cooking, planning my time, etc.)	5%	4%	5%	5%	7%	5%	3%	3%	4%	6%	5%	4%	5%	5%	5%	5%	8%	2%	2%
Helping my child(ren) (e.g. with numbers, their maths school work, etc.)	9%	6%	12%	1%	7%	14%	14%	9%	8%	10%	8%	10%	11%	9%	12%	10%	4%	5%	9%
Understanding statistics in the media	15%	10%	19%	17%	13%	13%	14%	16%	14%	16%	16%	14%	16%	11%	15%	15%	14%	16%	15%
Other	2%	2%	3%	4%	2%	3%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	3%	0%	5%	1%	2%	0%	3%	2%
Don't know	5%	4%	6%	10%	6%	5%	3%	3%	3%	7%	3%	5%	4%	5%	5%	4%	9%	7%	2%
Not applicable – I've never found anything challenging because it involved maths or numeracy	60%	65%	55%	52%	53%	52%	63%	67%	64%	55%	62%	56%	57%	59%	60%	60%	62%	60%	68%

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Job interviews/ applications	46%	35%	25%	10%	10%	3%	39%	10%	33%	27%	35%	22%
My job/ previous job(s) (e.g. handling numerical information or doing calculations, etc.)	70%	55%	38%	15%	4%	13%	61%	12%	45%	45%	56%	35%
Managing money (e.g. budgeting, finances, getting the best deals, shopping, etc.)	71%	62%	46%	28%	9%	5%	66%	23%	50%	40%	62%	52%
Day-to-day activities (e.g. DIY, cooking, planning my time, etc.)	67%	55%	41%	23%	7%	3%	59%	19%	47%	34%	56%	39%
Helping my child(ren) (e.g. with numbers, their maths schoolwork, etc.)	33%	34%	22%	14%	8%	-	34%	12%	24%	14%	32%	28%
Managing my/ someone else's health (e.g. calorie counting, medicine doses, making decisions about treatments, understanding health risks, etc.)	36%	30%	18%	15%	4%	5%	32%	12%	21%	22%	31%	14%
Understanding statistics in the media	61%	39%	24%	14%	11%	5%	47%	13%	32%	38%	42%	29%
None of these	7%	8%	8%	16%	19%	-	7%	17%	9%	10%	8%	7%
Don't know	1%	4%	4%	7%	8%	22%	3%	8%	3%	3%	3%	14%
Not applicable – I did not study Mathematics for this level of school certificate	5%	8%	21%	37%	50%	63%	7%	40%	15%	5%	13%	20%

Which, if any, of the following areas have you ever found challenging because it involved maths or numeracy? (Please select all that apply)

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Job interviews/ applications	4%	3%	6%	18%	12%	10%	4%	17%	8%	7%	4%	4%
My job/ previous job(s) (e.g. handling numerical information or doing calculations, etc.)	5%	10%	11%	31%	44%	-	8%	34%	19%	21%	6%	4%
Managing money (e.g. budgeting, finances, getting the best deals, shopping, etc.)	4%	7%	13%	30%	27%	-	6%	30%	17%	18%	5%	4%
Day-to-day activities (e.g. DIY, cooking, planning my time, etc.)	2%	4%	6%	16%	15%	-	3%	16%	10%	7%	2%	3%
Helping my child(ren) (e.g. with numbers, their maths school work, etc.)	2%	6%	16%	27%	29%	-	5%	28%	16%	8%	6%	8%
Understanding statistics in the media	5%	12%	23%	33%	32%	-	9%	33%	25%	13%	10%	13%
Other	0%	2%	3%	10%	7%	-	1%	9%	4%	3%	1%	4%
Don't know	2%	5%	6%	11%	9%	17%	4%	11%	4%	7%	4%	15%
Not applicable – I've never found anything challenging because it involved maths or numeracy	83%	65%	43%	16%	5%	74%	72%	13%	40%	39%	72%	53%

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Thinking now about using maths and numeracy when managing your own or someone else's health...

Which, if any, of the following have you ever found challenging because it involved maths or numeracy?  
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Controlling medicines/ working out the right dosages	4%	3%	4%	4%	5%	4%	3%	2%	3%	4%	4%	2%	5%	5%	4%	4%	1%	3%	9%
Measuring/ monitoring illness (e.g. body temperature, weight, blood-sugar levels, blood pressure, lung capacity, etc.)	6%	4%	8%	9%	7%	6%	4%	6%	4%	8%	6%	6%	7%	4%	7%	6%	6%	5%	4%
Making a decision about my/ someone else's health based on the level of risk involved	3%	3%	3%	5%	4%	2%	1%	2%	3%	2%	2%	2%	4%	3%	3%	2%	4%	2%	5%
Controlling lifestyle choices (e.g. diet, exercise, alcohol consumption, etc.)	4%	3%	4%	5%	4%	5%	2%	3%	3%	4%	3%	2%	6%	4%	4%	4%	2%	4%	7%
Other	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	2%	3%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	-
Don't know	5%	4%	5%	8%	8%	6%	3%	3%	4%	6%	4%	7%	3%	6%	5%	5%	4%	4%	1%
Not applicable - I've never found managing my, or anyone else's, health challenging because it involved maths or numeracy	83%	85%	81%	73%	78%	82%	87%	88%	87%	79%	83%	82%	85%	82%	83%	83%	86%	86%	85%

In recent months there have been a large number of statistics in the media about the upcoming general election.

How confident, if at all, are you that you understand what these statistics mean? (If you have not noticed any statistics in the media about the upcoming general election, please select the "Not applicable" option)

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Very confident	21%	32%	12%	25%	22%	23%	23%	18%	24%	18%	20%	20%	26%	23%	22%	22%	22%	20%	15%
Fairly confident	49%	50%	48%	42%	45%	50%	49%	51%	52%	44%	47%	49%	48%	49%	50%	49%	37%	57%	47%
Not very confident	9%	6%	13%	10%	9%	8%	9%	10%	9%	10%	10%	10%	11%	7%	9%	9%	8%	8%	15%
Not at all confident	3%	1%	5%	4%	3%	4%	3%	3%	2%	6%	5%	2%	5%	2%	3%	4%	5%	2%	-
Don't know	3%	2%	4%	5%	5%	2%	1%	3%	2%	4%	3%	3%	2%	5%	3%	3%	3%	2%	-
Not applicable - I've not noticed any statistics in the media about the upcoming general election in recent months	14%	9%	19%	13%	16%	13%	14%	14%	12%	17%	14%	15%	9%	13%	13%	13%	25%	11%	24%
Net: Confident	70%	82%	59%	67%	67%	73%	72%	70%	76%	63%	68%	69%	74%	72%	72%	70%	59%	77%	62%
Net: Not confident	13%	7%	18%	14%	12%	13%	12%	13%	10%	16%	15%	13%	16%	10%	12%	13%	13%	10%	15%

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Measuring/ monitoring illness (e.g. body temperature, weight, blood-sugar levels, blood pressure, lung capacity, etc.)	1%	5%	9%	17%	30%	10%	4%	20%	10%	9%	4%	6%
Making a decision about my/ someone else's health based on the level of risk involved	1%	3%	3%	2%	2%	-	2%	2%	4%	9%	2%	-
Controlling lifestyle choices (e.g. diet, exercise, alcohol consumption, etc.)	1%	3%	6%	7%	22%	-	2%	11%	7%	6%	2%	1%
Other	0%	1%	3%	5%	-	-	1%	4%	3%	5%	1%	-
Don't know	1%	4%	8%	11%	22%	17%	3%	14%	6%	4%	3%	14%
Not applicable - I've never found managing my, or anyone else's, health challenging because it involved maths or numeracy	96%	86%	76%	61%	37%	74%	89%	54%	74%	65%	90%	79%

In recent months there have been a large number of statistics in the media about the upcoming general election.

How confident, if at all, are you that you understand what these statistics mean? (If you have not noticed any statistics in the media about the upcoming general election, please select the "Not applicable" option)

Unweighted base	519	881	598	98	31	21	1400	129	574	115	1311	148
Base: All UK adults	495	879	629	94	32	18	1374	127	606	117	1283	143
Very confident	48%	19%	8%	1%	12%	3%	30%	4%	17%	26%	25%	9%
Fairly confident	39%	57%	50%	36%	16%	2%	50%	31%	48%	48%	49%	46%
Not very confident	1%	6%	15%	31%	37%	10%	5%	32%	13%	9%	8%	6%
Not at all confident	1%	2%	6%	10%	15%	-	2%	11%	5%	4%	3%	2%
Don't know	1%	2%	5%	6%	-	28%	2%	5%	3%	5%	2%	12%
Not applicable - I've not noticed any statistics in the media about the upcoming general election in recent months	9%	14%	17%	15%	20%	57%	12%	16%	14%	7%	14%	25%
Net: Confident	88%	76%	58%	38%	29%	5%	80%	35%	65%	74%	74%	55%
Net: Not confident	2%	9%	21%	41%	52%	10%	6%	44%	18%	14%	11%	8%

Total	Gender		Age					Social Grade		Region								
Base	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55+	ABC1	C2DE	North	Midlands	East	London	South	England	Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland

Regardless of your actual ability in this area, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement?

"I would feel embarrassed to tell someone I was no good at reading and writing"

Unweighted base	2148	1040	1108	286	271	337	422	832	1149	999	472	317	195	321	448	1753	114	228	53
Base: All UK adults	2148	1033	1115	258	347	370	408	765	1181	967	513	344	200	266	477	1800	105	183	60
Strongly agree	35%	33%	37%	29%	44%	30%	32%	37%	39%	30%	36%	34%	35%	35%	33%	34%	38%	36%	44%
Agree	41%	40%	42%	47%	35%	43%	42%	40%	40%	42%	43%	40%	42%	39%	44%	42%	33%	36%	36%
Disagree	14%	16%	12%	12%	12%	16%	16%	14%	11%	17%	11%	15%	13%	13%	15%	13%	16%	20%	16%
Strongly disagree	7%	8%	5%	6%	5%	7%	8%	7%	6%	8%	8%	7%	8%	5%	7%	9%	5%	4%	4%
Don't know	3%	4%	3%	5%	4%	4%	2%	3%	4%	3%	3%	3%	3%	5%	3%	4%	4%	3%	-

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Agree	39%	39%	39%	44%	33%	41%	42%	37%	39%	39%	41%	35%	42%	39%	41%	40%	34%	32%	41%
Disagree	27%	23%	30%	23%	27%	31%	26%	27%	25%	29%	23%	32%	24%	29%	26%	26%	27%	35%	19%
Strongly disagree	8%	9%	6%	5%	8%	9%	9%	7%	7%	8%	9%	7%	9%	8%	7%	8%	7%	5%	4%
Don't know	2%	2%	2%	5%	2%	1%	2%	2%	2%	3%	2%	3%	2%	4%	2%	2%	3%	2%	1%

In general, to what extent, if at all, does maths and numeracy make you feel anxious? (e.g. feeling uncomfortable or nervous when required to use maths)

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Base: All UK adults	2148	1033	1115	258	347	370	408	765	1181	967	513	344	200	266	477	1800	105	183	60
Very anxious	1%	1%	2%	1%	3%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	-	4%
Fairly anxious	12%	11%	13%	19%	17%	15%	10%	6%	10%	14%	14%	12%	11%	13%	9%	12%	18%	11%	5%
Not very anxious	31%	25%	35%	28%	36%	36%	27%	28%	30%	31%	29%	33%	29%	35%	29%	30%	31%	30%	39%
Not at all anxious	55%	62%	48%	45%	42%	48%	61%	64%	58%	50%	54%	50%	57%	51%	60%	55%	48%	59%	52%
Don't know	2%	1%	2%	8%	2%	0%	1%	0%	1%	3%	1%	4%	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%	0%	-
Net: Anxious	13%	12%	15%	19%	20%	16%	12%	7%	11%	16%	16%	13%	13%	13%	9%	13%	20%	11%	9%
Net: Not anxious	85%	87%	84%	73%	78%	84%	87%	92%	89%	81%	83%	83%	86%	85%	89%	85%	78%	89%	91%

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Yes, I had	7%	6%	8%	6%	5%	5%	7%	8%	7%	7%	7%	6%	5%	8%	7%	7%	13%	4%	7%
No, I hadn't	93%	94%	92%	94%	95%	95%	93%	92%	93%	93%	93%	94%	95%	92%	93%	93%	87%	96%	93%

On the scale below, how would you rate your own maths and numeracy?								Would you like to improve your maths and numeracy skills?			
Excellent	Good	Satisfactory	Poor	Very Poor	Don't know	Good (NET)	Poor (NET)	Yes	Yes and I am taking steps to do so	No	Don't know

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Agree	36%	45%	41%	39%	37%	6%	42%	39%	39%	46%	42%	40%
Disagree	11%	13%	18%	13%	21%	30%	12%	15%	14%	17%	14%	14%
Strongly disagree	9%	5%	6%	13%	7%	6%	6%	12%	6%	9%	7%	6%
Don't know	3%	2%	4%	6%	-	47%	2%	5%	3%	0%	3%	15%

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Agree	35%	44%	37%	30%	28%	8%	41%	30%	37%	39%	39%	38%
Disagree	16%	23%	39%	36%	43%	32%	20%	38%	28%	32%	26%	25%
Strongly disagree	9%	6%	8%	13%	7%	6%	7%	11%	6%	8%	8%	8%
Don't know	2%	1%	2%	6%	-	41%	2%	5%	2%	1%	2%	9%

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No, I hadn't	95%	92%	94%	94%	93%	86%	93%	94%	93%	81%	94%	93%