

YouGov / The Sunday Times Survey Results

Sample Size: 1984 GB Adults
Fieldwork: 16th - 17th September 2010

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Headline Voting Intention

Con	41	100	0	0	38	45	38	39	37	49	47	33	43	52	43	32	19
Lab	39	0	100	0	40	37	32	44	43	31	33	47	37	27	41	51	42
Lib Dem	13	0	0	100	13	13	23	11	12	12	14	11	12	14	10	13	18
Other	7	0	0	0	9	5	7	6	8	7	6	8	8	6	6	4	21

Other Parties Voting Intention

UKIP	3	0	0	0	3	2	0	1	4	3	2	4	5	3	2	1	0
SNP / PCY	2	0	0	0	3	1	3	2	2	2	3	3	1	0	1	0	18
Green	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1
BNP	1	0	0	0	2	0	3	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Respect	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1

Non Voters

Would Not Vote	8	0	0	0	8	8	13	12	7	4	6	11	6	9	7	11	4
Don't know	13	0	0	0	9	18	13	15	14	11	12	14	13	13	16	11	15

Do you approve or disapprove of the Government's record to date?

	15-16 Sep	16-17 Sep																
Approve	38	38	83	5	56	38	37	37	32	36	46	45	28	41	44	37	33	25
Disapprove	41	43	3	85	24	48	39	38	41	49	41	39	50	42	35	44	50	58
Don't know	21	19	14	10	20	14	23	25	27	15	13	16	22	17	21	19	17	17

Do you think that David Cameron is doing well or badly as Prime Minister?

	09-10 Sep	16-17 Sep																
Very well	15	14	38	1	11	14	14	12	9	12	22	17	10	15	16	15	11	10
Fairly well	42	38	59	13	62	36	40	33	41	37	39	43	31	40	45	37	32	32
TOTAL WELL	57	52	97	14	73	50	54	45	50	49	61	60	41	55	61	52	43	42
Fairly badly	21	22	1	43	17	22	23	28	24	20	22	20	25	23	18	22	25	31
Very badly	12	15	0	36	2	20	11	8	13	23	13	11	21	10	12	15	22	19
TOTAL BADLY	33	37	1	79	19	42	34	36	37	43	35	31	46	33	30	37	47	50
Don't know	11	10	2	7	9	8	12	19	13	9	4	8	12	12	9	11	9	8

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Do you think that Nick Clegg is doing well or badly as leader of the Liberal Democrats?

Very well	8	8	16	0	22	8	7	7	4	8	10	9	5	5	9	7	7	8
Fairly well	40	36	66	11	55	35	37	30	38	33	41	41	29	40	43	35	29	27
TOTAL WELL	48	44	82	11	77	43	44	37	42	41	51	50	34	45	52	42	36	35
Fairly badly	20	21	10	32	15	20	23	26	21	20	22	22	21	23	19	20	24	25
Very badly	18	22	2	50	2	28	17	14	20	28	21	18	29	19	18	23	27	29
TOTAL BADLY	38	43	12	82	17	48	40	41	48	43	40	50	42	37	43	51	54	
Don't know	14	13	7	7	7	9	16	24	17	10	7	11	16	13	12	15	13	12

Do you think the Conservative and Liberal Democrat coalition partners are working together well or badly?

Very well	11	10	23	1	16	10	9	8	5	10	14	12	6	9	10	11	9	9
Fairly well	44	43	68	17	64	41	44	40	42	39	49	50	32	48	50	40	35	35
TOTAL WELL	55	53	91	18	80	51	53	48	47	49	63	62	38	57	60	51	44	44
Fairly badly	20	22	5	42	12	23	21	25	26	21	19	19	26	20	16	23	28	29
Very badly	12	15	0	33	2	18	12	10	12	20	14	11	21	13	13	15	19	17
TOTAL BADLY	32	37	5	75	14	41	33	35	38	41	33	30	47	33	29	38	47	46
Don't know	13	10	4	7	5	7	13	17	15	10	4	7	14	10	11	11	9	9

Do you think this coalition government will be good or bad for people like you?

Very good	6	5	12	0	6	5	4	5	2	4	9	6	2	7	5	6	3	3
Fairly good	26	24	54	3	37	25	24	26	23	23	27	29	18	24	32	23	18	18
TOTAL GOOD	32	29	66	3	43	30	28	31	25	27	36	35	20	31	37	29	21	21
Fairly bad	19	22	9	29	24	21	23	25	26	20	19	21	23	26	18	24	20	30
Very bad	22	25	1	58	4	29	21	14	21	32	23	20	31	19	19	23	34	32
TOTAL BAD	41	47	10	87	28	50	44	39	47	52	42	41	54	45	37	47	54	62
Won't make much difference either way	17	16	17	7	19	15	17	17	17	14	18	17	15	17	17	15	17	12
Don't know	10	8	7	3	10	5	11	14	12	7	5	7	11	7	10	9	7	6

Do you think the coalition government is managing the economy well or badly?

Very well	8	7	19	0	5	8	5	8	3	6	9	9	4	8	7	7	6	2
Fairly well	37	36	67	8	54	33	38	35	35	34	39	41	29	34	43	36	29	27
TOTAL WELL	45	43	86	8	59	41	43	43	38	40	48	50	33	42	50	43	35	29
Fairly badly	22	23	6	41	20	23	24	25	28	21	22	21	27	25	18	25	24	32
Very badly	16	20	0	43	4	24	15	9	17	26	18	16	24	16	15	19	26	24
TOTAL BADLY	38	43	6	84	24	47	39	34	45	47	40	37	51	41	33	44	50	56
Don't know	16	15	8	9	16	12	18	22	17	14	11	14	16	17	16	13	14	14

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In your opinion how good or bad is the state of Britain's economy at the moment?

Very good	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
Quite good	4	4	7	3	9	5	4	11	5	2	3	4	4	8	3	7	3	1
TOTAL GOOD	4	4	8	3	9	6	4	13	5	2	3	5	4	8	3	8	4	1
Neither good nor bad	20	18	21	16	26	20	16	19	22	16	16	20	15	22	18	15	17	17
Quite bad	45	49	48	52	48	47	50	42	45	50	52	49	48	39	51	49	48	53
Very bad	26	24	21	26	16	25	24	10	22	29	28	23	26	24	24	22	28	26
TOTAL BAD	71	73	69	78	64	72	74	52	67	79	80	72	74	63	75	71	76	79
Don't know	5	4	2	3	2	3	6	16	6	2	1	3	7	6	4	6	3	3

How do you think the financial situation of your household will change over the next 12 months?

Get a lot better	1	2	3	1	4	3	1	9	1	1	0	2	1	4	1	3	1	1
Get a little better	10	9	14	5	15	10	9	21	14	6	4	13	5	12	12	6	7	9
TOTAL BETTER	11	11	17	6	19	13	10	30	15	7	4	15	6	16	13	9	8	10
Stay the same	28	30	39	21	35	29	30	29	32	27	31	32	27	33	30	33	25	27
Get a little worse	38	35	34	37	37	34	36	20	29	37	44	34	36	27	34	34	38	41
Get a lot worse	16	20	8	33	8	21	19	9	16	27	21	16	25	19	20	19	22	19
TOTAL WORSE	54	55	42	70	45	55	55	29	45	64	65	50	61	46	54	53	60	60
Don't know	6	4	2	3	2	3	6	12	7	3	1	3	6	5	3	4	6	3

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Do you think that Vince Cable is doing well or badly as Secretary of State for Business, Innovation and Skills?

Very well	3	5	1	8	3	3	2	2	3	4	4	2	4	2	1	3	5
Fairly well	25	43	14	36	28	23	13	19	25	36	29	20	21	30	30	20	17
TOTAL WELL	28	48	15	44	31	26	15	21	28	40	33	22	25	32	31	23	22
Fairly badly	19	14	28	9	22	15	16	19	19	19	19	19	27	15	18	20	17
Very badly	12	3	24	3	17	7	6	9	17	12	10	15	9	11	11	14	16
TOTAL BADLY	31	17	52	12	39	22	22	28	36	31	29	34	36	26	29	34	33
Don't know	41	35	32	44	30	53	63	52	37	28	39	44	39	42	40	42	45

Do you think that Chris Huhne is doing well or badly as Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change?

Very well	1	1	0	5	1	1	3	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	0
Fairly well	15	28	9	21	16	15	7	12	15	22	17	13	12	20	16	11	13
TOTAL WELL	16	29	9	26	17	16	10	12	16	23	18	14	13	21	18	12	13
Fairly badly	16	10	24	12	20	11	12	16	15	18	15	16	14	13	13	22	18
Very badly	12	3	22	4	16	7	6	8	16	12	10	14	11	10	13	13	11
TOTAL BADLY	28	13	46	16	36	18	18	24	31	30	25	30	25	23	26	35	29
Don't know	57	58	45	59	47	66	72	64	54	47	58	55	63	57	56	53	58

Do you think that Danny Alexander is doing well or badly as Chief Secretary to the Treasury?

Very well	2	5	0	6	3	2	3	1	3	3	2	2	2	3	3	2	1
Fairly well	18	36	7	24	19	16	14	12	16	28	21	14	18	20	18	14	20
TOTAL WELL	20	41	7	30	22	18	17	13	19	31	23	16	20	23	21	16	21
Fairly badly	15	6	25	11	18	13	12	17	14	16	13	18	12	13	15	19	19
Very badly	14	2	31	3	20	8	6	10	20	14	12	17	11	11	14	18	18
TOTAL BADLY	29	8	56	14	38	21	18	27	34	30	25	35	23	24	29	37	37
Don't know	51	51	38	56	40	61	65	60	48	40	52	49	57	54	49	48	42

How long do you expect the coalition between the Conservatives and Liberal Democrats to last?

Less than a year	11	2	22	4	12	10	4	8	15	11	8	15	6	9	13	12	14
One or two years	40	34	50	35	40	39	46	41	37	38	41	38	40	37	38	43	43
Three or four years	15	18	11	24	16	14	13	16	15	17	17	12	14	15	16	13	25
The full five year Parliament or beyond	22	39	10	31	23	20	17	20	21	26	25	16	24	26	19	21	12
Don't know	13	7	7	7	9	16	21	16	11	8	8	19	15	14	14	12	6

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Taking everything into account, which of the two parties do you think has benefited most from being in the coalition government?

Liberal Democrats	40	60	26	44	38	42	40	36	38	47	44	35	41	45	38	37	38
Conservatives	33	24	48	32	39	27	25	36	35	30	35	29	37	29	32	33	36
Both equally	10	11	8	16	9	12	7	10	10	12	10	11	11	11	10	10	8
Neither	10	1	15	4	11	8	12	7	10	10	7	14	6	6	13	12	12
Don't know	7	4	3	4	3	11	15	11	7	2	4	11	5	9	7	8	5

How much influence do you think the Liberal Democrats have over the coalition government's policy?

A lot	11	21	3	11	11	10	3	6	10	18	12	8	13	13	9	9	8
A little	43	61	25	68	44	42	43	42	42	44	48	35	46	46	44	35	48
TOTAL A LITTLE/ A LOT	54	82	28	79	55	52	46	48	52	62	60	43	59	59	53	44	56
Not a lot	30	14	49	18	30	30	31	33	30	28	29	32	27	25	32	35	34
None at all	9	1	20	0	10	8	6	7	12	8	7	12	9	7	9	13	6
TOTAL NOT A LOT/ NONE	39	15	69	18	40	38	37	40	42	36	36	44	36	32	41	48	40
Don't know	8	3	3	3	5	10	17	12	6	2	4	12	5	9	7	9	4

Thinking about the Liberal Democrats generally, how have your feelings changed since the General Election?

I generally feel more positive about the Liberal Democrats	13	26	2	29	13	13	14	14	12	14	15	10	12	15	13	12	12
I generally feel more negative about the Liberal Democrats	38	14	73	18	43	33	34	35	42	37	36	40	39	30	38	42	51
My feelings about the Liberal Democrats have not changed	42	58	22	52	40	44	36	41	41	47	45	38	44	47	41	38	33
Don't know	7	3	3	1	4	10	15	11	5	3	4	11	5	8	8	7	4

Thinking about Nick Clegg specifically, how have your feelings changed since the General Election?

I generally feel more positive about Nick Clegg	17	36	2	32	18	17	18	16	16	20	21	12	19	22	14	14	13
I generally feel more negative about Nick Clegg	36	11	71	18	40	33	37	33	39	36	35	39	37	28	39	41	46
My feelings about Nick Clegg have not changed	39	50	23	49	38	41	32	39	40	43	41	37	40	42	39	37	36
Don't know	7	2	4	2	5	9	14	12	5	2	4	12	4	8	8	8	5

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Thinking about the coalition government, for the following statements please say which comes closest to your own view . . .

I think they have sacrificed their principles for power.*

This is true for both the Conservatives and the Liberal Democrats	32	29	37	28	36	28	36	28	32	34	31	32	34	33	29	30	35
This is true for the Conservatives, but not the Liberal Democrats	5	5	5	5	6	4	6	5	5	6	4	6	2	6	7	4	6
This is true for the Liberal Democrats, but not the Conservatives	35	31	48	22	37	32	28	35	37	34	37	32	37	30	36	35	42
This is not true for either the Conservatives nor the Liberal Democrats	16	27	4	32	14	17	13	13	15	20	18	13	15	17	15	16	11
Don't know	13	9	6	13	7	18	17	20	12	6	10	17	12	14	12	15	5

I think entering into a coalition was a sensible decision which showed they were prepared to put the interests of the country first.*

This is true for both the Conservatives and the Liberal Democrats	36	68	7	62	36	36	29	32	35	44	43	26	35	43	34	31	32
This is true for the Conservatives, but not the Liberal Democrats	10	16	8	10	11	9	13	9	9	12	11	9	17	11	11	6	9
This is true for the Liberal Democrats, but not the Conservatives	10	6	13	16	11	9	11	12	10	7	8	12	13	9	11	8	13
This is not true for either the Conservatives nor the Liberal Democrats	32	6	65	5	35	30	26	28	37	32	29	37	25	26	32	41	40
Don't know	11	5	8	6	7	16	21	19	8	5	8	16	10	11	12	14	6

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Next month George Osborne will set out his plans to reduce public spending in order to cut the level of government borrowing.

Which of these views come closest to your own?

The government is planning to cut borrowing too fast and risks Britain's economy returning to recession	42	10	76	38	44	39	38	39	47	38	38	46	41	31	46	46	60
The government is right to cut borrowing as fast as it intends, but should change the emphasis so that taxes rise more and public spending is reduced less	12	16	8	19	12	12	8	10	11	18	13	11	12	13	10	13	13
The government is right to cut borrowing as fast as it intends, and right that this should be done mainly by reducing public spending	29	64	4	29	32	27	27	26	27	35	35	21	33	35	31	22	15
None of these	4	1	5	1	4	5	2	7	5	3	4	5	4	5	2	6	3
Don't know	13	8	7	13	8	17	25	18	10	6	9	17	10	16	11	12	8

The Conservatives are using the Liberal Democrats to make spending cuts more acceptable to the general public.'

Strongly agree	15	4	29	9	21	9	13	10	17	16	14	15	18	11	15	17	15
Agree	29	20	41	32	31	28	23	31	27	32	30	28	27	26	30	30	42
TOTAL AGREE	44	24	70	41	52	37	36	41	44	48	44	43	45	37	45	47	57
Neither agree nor disagree	28	37	17	37	26	30	26	24	30	30	28	28	30	30	28	24	28
Disagree	14	27	5	11	12	16	9	15	13	16	16	11	10	16	15	14	6
Strongly disagree	3	4	2	2	3	3	3	2	4	2	3	3	4	3	2	4	0
TOTAL DISAGREE	17	31	7	13	15	19	12	17	17	18	19	14	14	19	17	18	6
Don't know	12	8	6	9	8	16	27	18	9	3	10	15	11	15	11	11	8

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On a different subject . . .

An aide to Pope Benedict XVI recently compared England to a 'third-world country' and said that 'aggressive neo-atheism is widespread'. Please say if you agree or disagree with the following statements about England.

When you land at Heathrow Airport, you sometimes think you'd landed in a Third World country.'

Strongly agree	5	6	2	2	5	4	1	2	6	6	5	5	7	5	5	3	5
Agree	11	15	10	7	12	11	4	8	10	19	11	12	14	11	11	11	11
TOTAL AGREE	16	21	12	9	17	15	5	10	16	25	16	17	21	16	16	14	16
Neither agree nor disagree	10	9	9	12	9	11	9	7	11	12	9	12	7	8	13	13	9
Disagree	26	24	27	36	25	27	26	27	25	27	26	26	22	28	27	23	35
Strongly disagree	38	40	42	36	41	36	49	45	39	26	43	32	47	42	35	35	28
TOTAL DISAGREE	64	64	69	72	66	63	75	72	64	53	69	58	69	70	62	58	63
Don't know	10	6	10	6	8	11	11	11	8	9	7	13	2	6	10	16	13

Aggressive neo-atheism is widespread.'

Strongly agree	5	6	3	3	6	4	2	4	4	8	5	5	5	5	4	5	7
Agree	18	23	18	17	21	16	14	16	19	22	20	16	18	20	17	17	22
TOTAL AGREE	23	29	21	20	27	20	16	20	23	30	25	21	23	25	21	22	29
Neither agree nor disagree	25	21	24	30	25	24	31	24	23	24	22	28	24	21	29	24	29
Disagree	24	26	27	24	21	26	16	20	26	28	26	21	22	25	24	25	18
Strongly disagree	13	12	15	15	15	10	13	12	15	10	15	10	16	13	12	12	11
TOTAL DISAGREE	37	38	42	39	36	36	29	32	41	38	41	31	38	38	36	37	29
Don't know	16	13	14	11	11	20	23	23	14	8	12	20	15	15	15	17	14

The aide's comments made reference to Heathrow airport. Do you think Heathrow airport gives a good or a bad welcome to those visiting the UK from abroad?

Very good	6	5	8	6	7	5	9	7	7	5	7	6	11	7	5	6	3
Fairly good	26	26	34	27	24	29	22	31	26	24	26	26	30	29	22	26	25
TOTAL GOOD	32	31	42	33	31	34	31	38	33	29	33	32	41	36	27	32	28
Neither good nor bad	28	28	24	28	28	27	34	25	27	29	26	30	30	30	34	22	21
Fairly bad	14	18	11	14	17	11	8	12	15	17	17	9	18	14	12	12	18
Very bad	4	5	3	4	5	4	1	3	5	6	5	3	6	4	3	3	7
TOTAL BAD	18	23	14	18	22	15	9	15	20	23	22	12	24	18	15	15	25
Don't know	21	18	20	21	19	24	26	24	20	19	19	25	5	17	25	31	26