

# Hansard Society - Audit of Political Engagement 7 FINAL

Table 1

## Q.1 What do you understand by 'politics'? What else?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Gender     |            | Age        |           |            |            |            |            |            |           |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |            |                       | Unwtd total |                                |
|--|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|------------|-----------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|
|  | Total      | Male       | Female     | 18-24     | 25-34      | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+       | 18-34      | 35-54      | 55+          | AB         | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands      | Single     | Married /Co-hab iting |             | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |
| Unweighted total   | 1156       | 552        | 604        | 138       | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135       | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290        | 669                   | 197         | 1156                           |
| Weighted total   | 1156       | 561        | 595        | 173       | 183        | 216        | 186        | 169        | 117        | 111       | 356        | 402        | 398          | 310        | 333        | 241        | 272        | 642        | 514        | 387        | 411        | 358            | 306        | 681                   | 169         | 1156                           |
| <b>Effective Base</b>  | <b>801</b> | <b>391</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>98</b> | <b>145</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b> | <b>236</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>222</b> | <b>401</b> | <b>413</b> | <b>312</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b> | <b>463</b>            | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b>                    |
| The way the country is governed/running the country/what the government does | 303<br>26% | 153<br>27% | 150<br>25% | 45<br>26% | 36<br>20%  | 58<br>27%  | 46<br>25%  | 63<br>37%  | 35<br>30%  | 20<br>18% | 81<br>23%  | 104<br>26% | 118<br>30%   | 114<br>37% | 91<br>27%  | 53<br>22%  | 45<br>16%  | 205<br>32% | 97<br>19%  | 95<br>24%  | 111<br>27% | 97<br>27%      | 74<br>24%  | 192<br>28%            | 36<br>21%   | 278<br>24%                     |
| Parliament   | 212<br>18% | 96<br>17%  | 117<br>20% | 29<br>17% | 29<br>16%  | 42<br>19%  | 26<br>14%  | 33<br>19%  | 21<br>18%  | 33<br>29% | 58<br>16%  | 68<br>17%  | 86<br>22%    | 65<br>21%  | 72<br>22%  | 40<br>17%  | 36<br>13%  | 137<br>21% | 76<br>15%  | 74<br>19%  | 79<br>19%  | 59<br>17%      | 50<br>16%  | 128<br>19%            | 35<br>21%   | 204<br>18%                     |
| Elections/voting   | 157<br>14% | 82<br>15%  | 74<br>13%  | 24<br>14% | 31<br>17%  | 24<br>11%  | 17<br>9%   | 21<br>12%  | 16<br>14%  | 24<br>22% | 54<br>15%  | 41<br>10%  | 61<br>15%    | 30<br>10%  | 58<br>17%  | 40<br>16%  | 29<br>11%  | 88<br>14%  | 69<br>13%  | 60<br>15%  | 42<br>10%  | 55<br>15%      | 52<br>17%  | 74<br>11%             | 31<br>18%   | 177<br>15%                     |
| Local government/ councils   | 124<br>11% | 56<br>10%  | 67<br>11%  | 18<br>10% | 21<br>11%  | 21<br>10%  | 22<br>12%  | 18<br>11%  | 13<br>11%  | 11<br>10% | 38<br>11%  | 43<br>11%  | 42<br>11%    | 45<br>15%  | 28<br>8%   | 24<br>10%  | 26<br>10%  | 73<br>11%  | 50<br>10%  | 44<br>11%  | 56<br>14%  | 24<br>7%       | 35<br>12%  | 69<br>10%             | 19<br>11%   | 128<br>11%                     |
| People with power/people who run things                                      | 117<br>10% | 70<br>13%  | 47<br>8%   | 19<br>11% | 15<br>8%   | 18<br>8%   | 24<br>13%  | 17<br>10%  | 14<br>12%  | 10<br>9%  | 34<br>10%  | 42<br>10%  | 42<br>10%    | 40<br>13%  | 38<br>11%  | 21<br>9%   | 18<br>7%   | 77<br>12%  | 40<br>8%   | 37<br>10%  | 42<br>10%  | 38<br>11%      | 27<br>9%   | 73<br>11%             | 18<br>11%   | 113<br>10%                     |
| Party system/alignment of groups   | 116<br>10% | 60<br>11%  | 56<br>9%   | 10<br>6%  | 13<br>7%   | 24<br>11%  | 24<br>13%  | 20<br>12%  | 9<br>8%    | 16<br>14% | 23<br>6%   | 48<br>12%  | 44<br>11%    | 49<br>16%  | 35<br>11%  | 14<br>6%   | 17<br>6%   | 84<br>13%  | 31<br>6%   | 33<br>9%   | 46<br>11%  | 36<br>10%      | 26<br>8%   | 72<br>11%             | 18<br>11%   | 101<br>9%                      |
| Arguments between parties/politicians  | 114<br>10% | 48<br>9%   | 66<br>11%  | 12<br>7%  | 14<br>8%   | 23<br>10%  | 19<br>10%  | 8<br>5%    | 10<br>8%   | 28<br>25% | 26<br>7%   | 42<br>10%  | 46<br>12%    | 28<br>9%   | 47<br>14%  | 16<br>7%   | 22<br>8%   | 76<br>12%  | 38<br>7%   | 33<br>9%   | 51<br>12%  | 30<br>8%       | 23<br>8%   | 65<br>10%             | 26<br>15%   | 104<br>9%                      |
| Sleaze/corruption/they are all crooks  | 108<br>9%  | 55<br>10%  | 53<br>9%   | 15<br>8%  | 9<br>5%    | 20<br>9%   | 21<br>11%  | 17<br>10%  | 15<br>13%  | 10<br>9%  | 24<br>7%   | 42<br>10%  | 43<br>11%    | 19<br>6%   | 35<br>10%  | 30<br>12%  | 25<br>9%   | 54<br>8%   | 54<br>11%  | 37<br>10%  | 37<br>9%   | 34<br>10%      | 26<br>9%   | 63<br>9%              | 19<br>11%   | 116<br>10%                     |
| Talking/people discussing issues/ reaching agreement                         | 82<br>7%   | 47<br>8%   | 36<br>6%   | 5<br>3%   | 17<br>9%   | 10<br>4%   | 31<br>16%  | 7<br>4%    | 7<br>6%    | 22<br>6%  | 40<br>6%   | 20<br>5%   | 20<br>5%     | 27<br>9%   | 27<br>8%   | 13<br>5%   | 15<br>6%   | 54<br>8%   | 28<br>5%   | 27<br>7%   | 43<br>11%  | 12<br>3%       | 22<br>7%   | 54<br>8%              | 7<br>4%     | 80<br>7%                       |
| Choices for society/how the country should be run                            | 68<br>6%   | 38<br>7%   | 30<br>5%   | 6<br>4%   | 8<br>4%    | 15<br>7%   | 11<br>6%   | 13<br>8%   | 9<br>8%    | 7<br>6%   | 14<br>4%   | 26<br>6%   | 29<br>7%     | 30<br>10%  | 23<br>7%   | 8<br>3%    | 7<br>3%    | 53<br>8%   | 15<br>3%   | 22<br>6%   | 31<br>8%   | 15<br>4%       | 14<br>4%   | 36<br>5%              | 18<br>11%   | 70<br>6%                       |
| Way of making decisions  | 63<br>5%   | 24<br>4%   | 40<br>7%   | 8<br>4%   | 5<br>3%    | 7<br>3%    | 18<br>10%  | 7<br>4%    | 9<br>8%    | 9<br>7%   | 13<br>4%   | 25<br>6%   | 25<br>6%     | 30<br>10%  | 16<br>5%   | 9<br>4%    | 8<br>3%    | 46<br>7%   | 17<br>3%   | 17<br>4%   | 26<br>6%   | 21<br>6%       | 8<br>3%    | 39<br>6%              | 17<br>10%   | 60<br>5%                       |
| Spin/lies  | 63<br>5%   | 31<br>6%   | 32<br>5%   | 3<br>2%   | 9<br>5%    | 20<br>9%   | 10<br>5%   | 10<br>6%   | 4<br>3%    | 7<br>6%   | 12<br>4%   | 30<br>7%   | 21<br>5%     | 15<br>5%   | 19<br>6%   | 18<br>7%   | 11<br>4%   | 34<br>5%   | 29<br>6%   | 19<br>5%   | 23<br>6%   | 21<br>6%       | 8<br>3%    | 46<br>7%              | 9<br>5%     | 66<br>6%                       |
| Public link with/control over government/ representation                     | 56<br>5%   | 29<br>5%   | 28<br>5%   | 8<br>5%   | 2<br>1%    | 11<br>5%   | 7<br>4%    | 10<br>6%   | 9<br>8%    | 9<br>8%   | 10<br>3%   | 19<br>5%   | 27<br>7%     | 19<br>6%   | 16<br>5%   | 10<br>4%   | 12<br>4%   | 35<br>5%   | 21<br>4%   | 16<br>4%   | 25<br>6%   | 15<br>4%       | 9<br>3%    | 35<br>5%              | 13<br>7%    | 55<br>5%                       |
| Disagreement/ confrontation/argument   | 54<br>5%   | 23<br>4%   | 30<br>5%   | 7<br>4%   | 9<br>5%    | 12<br>5%   | 8<br>4%    | 6<br>3%    | 6<br>5%    | 7<br>7%   | 15<br>4%   | 20<br>5%   | 19<br>5%     | 15<br>5%   | 17<br>5%   | 9<br>4%    | 13<br>5%   | 32<br>5%   | 22<br>4%   | 14<br>4%   | 14<br>3%   | 26<br>7%       | 15<br>5%   | 33<br>5%              | 6<br>4%     | 46<br>4%                       |
| Not listening/ignoring public opinion  | 51<br>4%   | 21<br>4%   | 30<br>5%   | 3<br>2%   | 6<br>3%    | 14<br>7%   | 10<br>6%   | 5<br>3%    | 7<br>6%    | 5<br>5%   | 9<br>3%    | 25<br>6%   | 17<br>4%     | 16<br>5%   | 6<br>2%    | 14<br>6%   | 15<br>6%   | 22<br>3%   | 29<br>6%   | 9<br>2%    | 26<br>6%   | 17<br>5%       | 8<br>3%    | 33<br>5%              | 10<br>6%    | 43<br>4%                       |
| Boring   | 46<br>4%   | 12<br>2%   | 35<br>6%   | 11<br>6%  | 7<br>4%    | 6<br>3%    | 5<br>3%    | 8<br>5%    | 1<br>1%    | 8<br>7%   | 18<br>5%   | 11<br>3%   | 17<br>4%     | 10<br>3%   | 13<br>4%   | 5<br>2%    | 18<br>6%   | 24<br>4%   | 23<br>4%   | 17<br>4%   | 12<br>3%   | 18<br>5%       | 18<br>6%   | 17<br>2%              | 12<br>7%    | 50<br>4%                       |
| Irrelevant/doesn't involve me/something for other people                     | 34<br>3%   | 13<br>2%   | 22<br>4%   | 2<br>1%   | 10<br>5%   | 8<br>4%    | 4<br>2%    | 6<br>3%    | 1<br>1%    | 3<br>2%   | 12<br>3%   | 12<br>3%   | 10<br>2%     | 9<br>3%    | 13<br>4%   | 6<br>2%    | 7<br>2%    | 22<br>3%   | 12<br>2%   | 5<br>1%    | 19<br>5%   | 10<br>3%       | 8<br>3%    | 20<br>3%              | 6<br>4%     | 33<br>3%                       |
| Important issue of the day   | 34<br>3%   | 16<br>3%   | 18<br>3%   | 5<br>3%   | 4<br>2%    | 5<br>2%    | 5<br>3%    | 5<br>3%    | 2<br>2%    | 6<br>6%   | 9<br>3%    | 11<br>3%   | 14<br>3%     | 12<br>4%   | 11<br>3%   | 6<br>2%    | 5<br>2%    | 23<br>4%   | 10<br>2%   | 14<br>4%   | 10<br>2%   | 10<br>3%       | 10<br>3%   | 18<br>3%              | 6<br>3%     | 33<br>3%                       |
| Cronyism/jobs for the boys/nepotism  | 32<br>3%   | 14<br>3%   | 18<br>3%   | 2<br>1%   | -          | 7<br>3%    | 11<br>6%   | 3<br>2%    | 2<br>1%    | 8<br>7%   | 2<br>1%    | 17<br>4%   | 13<br>3%     | 14<br>4%   | 8<br>2%    | 7<br>3%    | 4<br>1%    | 21<br>3%   | 11<br>2%   | 4<br>1%    | 13<br>3%   | 15<br>4%       | 6<br>2%    | 21<br>3%              | 6<br>3%     | 22<br>2%                       |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                  | Gender   |          | Age      |           |           |           |         |         |         |         |           |          |          | Social class |          |           |           |          |           | Region   |          |           | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |
|----------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-----------|----------|----------|--------------|----------|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|
|                                  | Total    | Male     | Female   | 18-24     | 25-34     | 35-44     | 45-54   | 55-64   | 65-74   | 75+     | 18-34     | 35-54    | 55+      | AB           | C1       | C2        | DE        | ABC1     | C2DE      | North    | South    | Mid lands | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |
| Posturing/playing games          | 24<br>2% | 12<br>2% | 12<br>2% | 1<br>1%   | 1<br>*    | 8<br>4%   | 6<br>3% | 4<br>2% | 2<br>2% | 1<br>1% | 2<br>1%   | 15<br>4% | 7<br>2%  | 5<br>2%      | 9<br>3%  | 8<br>3%   | 1<br>*    | 14<br>2% | 10<br>2%  | 7<br>2%  | 11<br>3% | 6<br>2%   | 4<br>1%        | 19<br>3%              | 1<br>1%                        | 21<br>2%    |
| Popularity contest               | 23<br>2% | 15<br>3% | 8<br>1%  | 2<br>1%   | 9<br>5%   | 4<br>2%   | 1<br>1% | 3<br>1% | 1<br>1% | 3<br>3% | 12<br>3%  | 6<br>1%  | 6<br>2%  | 1<br>*       | 10<br>3% | 5<br>2%   | 7<br>3%   | 11<br>2% | 12<br>2%  | 11<br>3% | 5<br>1%  | 7<br>2%   | 7<br>2%        | 12<br>2%              | 4<br>2%                        | 22<br>2%    |
| Campaigning                      | 22<br>2% | 9<br>2%  | 13<br>2% | -<br>-    | 1<br>1%   | 5<br>2%   | 5<br>3% | 4<br>3% | *<br>*  | 7<br>6% | 1<br>*    | 10<br>2% | 11<br>3% | 9<br>3%      | 7<br>2%  | 2<br>1%   | 4<br>1%   | 17<br>3% | 6<br>1%   | 7<br>2%  | 10<br>2% | 5<br>1%   | 1<br>*         | 14<br>2%              | 8<br>5%                        | 23<br>2%    |
| Government/politicians           | 8<br>1%  | 4<br>1%  | 4<br>1%  | 2<br>1%   | 1<br>*    | 2<br>1%   | 1<br>*  | -<br>-  | 1<br>1% | -<br>-  | 2<br>2%   | 3<br>1%  | 2<br>1%  | 2<br>1%      | 5<br>2%  | -<br>-    | 1<br>*    | 7<br>1%  | 1<br>*    | 6<br>1%  | 1<br>*   | 2<br>*    | 2<br>1%        | 3<br>*                | 3<br>2%                        | 12<br>1%    |
| Broken/hopeless/useless/<br>mess | 8<br>1%  | 5<br>1%  | 2<br>*   | 1<br>1%   | 3<br>2%   | 3<br>1%   | -<br>-  | -<br>-  | 1<br>*  | -<br>-  | 4<br>1%   | 3<br>1%  | 1<br>*   | -<br>-       | 1<br>*   | 2<br>1%   | 4<br>2%   | 1<br>*   | 6<br>1%   | 1<br>*   | 5<br>1%  | 1<br>*    | 3<br>1%        | 5<br>1%               | -<br>-                         | 7<br>1%     |
| Old fashioned/out of<br>date     | 6<br>1%  | 3<br>1%  | 3<br>*   | -<br>-    | 1<br>1%   | 2<br>1%   | -<br>-  | 1<br>1% | -<br>-  | 2<br>2% | 1<br>*    | 2<br>1%  | 3<br>1%  | 2<br>1%      | 2<br>1%  | -<br>-    | 2<br>1%   | 4<br>1%  | 2<br>1%   | -<br>-   | 3<br>1%  | 3<br>1%   | -<br>-         | 4<br>1%               | 2<br>1%                        | 4<br>*      |
| Economy/budgets                  | 4<br>*   | 1<br>*   | 4<br>1%  | -<br>-    | 1<br>*    | 4<br>2%   | -<br>-  | -<br>-  | -<br>-  | -<br>-  | 1<br>*    | 4<br>1%  | -<br>-   | -<br>-       | 2<br>1%  | 1<br>1%   | 1<br>*    | 2<br>*   | 2<br>*    | 2<br>1%  | 2<br>*   | 2<br>*    | -<br>-         | 4<br>1%               | *<br>*                         | 5<br>*      |
| Making laws                      | 4<br>*   | 2<br>*   | 2<br>*   | -<br>-    | *<br>*    | -<br>-    | 3<br>2% | -<br>-  | 1<br>1% | -<br>-  | *<br>*    | 3<br>1%  | 1<br>*   | 1<br>*       | -<br>-   | 2<br>1%   | 2<br>1%   | 1<br>*   | 3<br>1%   | 3<br>1%  | -<br>-   | 1<br>*    | -<br>-         | 4<br>1%               | -<br>-                         | 4<br>*      |
| Gordon Brown/Prime<br>Minister   | 4<br>*   | -<br>-   | 4<br>1%  | -<br>-    | -<br>-    | 3<br>1%   | -<br>-  | -<br>-  | 1<br>1% | -<br>-  | -<br>-    | 3<br>1%  | 1<br>*   | 1<br>*       | -<br>-   | 1<br>1%   | 1<br>*    | 3<br>1%  | 3<br>1%   | 3<br>1%  | -<br>-   | 1<br>*    | 1<br>*         | 1<br>*                | 1<br>*                         | 3<br>*      |
| Democracy                        | 2<br>*   | -<br>-   | 2<br>*   | -<br>-    | 2<br>1%   | -<br>-    | -<br>-  | -<br>-  | -<br>-  | -<br>-  | 2<br>*    | -<br>-   | -<br>-   | -<br>-       | -<br>-   | -<br>-    | 2<br>1%   | -<br>-   | 2<br>*    | 2<br>*   | -<br>-   | -<br>-    | -<br>-         | 2<br>*                | -<br>-                         | 1<br>*      |
| NHS/Housing etc                  | 1<br>*   | 1<br>*   | -<br>-   | -<br>-    | -<br>-    | -<br>-    | -<br>-  | 1<br>1% | -<br>-  | -<br>-  | -<br>-    | -<br>-   | 1<br>*   | -<br>-       | 1<br>*   | -<br>-    | -<br>-    | 1<br>*   | -<br>-    | 1<br>*   | -<br>-   | -<br>-    | 1<br>*         | -<br>-                | -<br>-                         | 1<br>*      |
| Bureaucracy/red tape             | 1<br>*   | -<br>-   | 1<br>*   | -<br>-    | 1<br>1%   | -<br>-    | -<br>-  | -<br>-  | -<br>-  | -<br>-  | 1<br>*    | -<br>-   | -<br>-   | 1<br>*       | -<br>-   | -<br>-    | -<br>-    | 1<br>*   | -<br>-    | 1<br>*   | -<br>-   | -<br>-    | -<br>-         | 1<br>*                | -<br>-                         | 1<br>*      |
| Greed                            | 1<br>*   | -<br>-   | 1<br>*   | -<br>-    | 1<br>*    | -<br>-    | -<br>-  | -<br>-  | -<br>-  | -<br>-  | 1<br>*    | -<br>-   | -<br>-   | -<br>-       | 1<br>*   | -<br>-    | -<br>-    | 1<br>*   | -<br>-    | -<br>-   | -<br>-   | 1<br>*    | 1<br>*         | -<br>-                | -<br>-                         | 1<br>*      |
| Other                            | 15<br>1% | 7<br>1%  | 8<br>1%  | 2<br>1%   | 1<br>*    | 2<br>1%   | 4<br>2% | 2<br>1% | 1<br>1% | 3<br>3% | 3<br>1%   | 6<br>2%  | 6<br>2%  | 7<br>2%      | 4<br>1%  | 2<br>1%   | 3<br>1%   | 10<br>2% | 5<br>1%   | 4<br>1%  | 3<br>1%  | 9<br>2%   | 3<br>1%        | 9<br>1%               | 3<br>2%                        | 14<br>1%    |
| None of these                    | 20<br>2% | 9<br>2%  | 11<br>2% | 4<br>3%   | 6<br>3%   | 4<br>2%   | 1<br>1% | 2<br>1% | 1<br>1% | 2<br>2% | 11<br>3%  | 5<br>1%  | 5<br>1%  | 1<br>*       | 7<br>2%  | 5<br>2%   | 8<br>3%   | 7<br>1%  | 13<br>3%  | 7<br>2%  | 7<br>2%  | 6<br>2%   | 6<br>2%        | 12<br>2%              | 2<br>1%                        | 24<br>2%    |
| Don't know                       | 89<br>8% | 38<br>7% | 51<br>9% | 22<br>13% | 25<br>14% | 21<br>10% | 6<br>3% | 5<br>3% | 3<br>2% | 7<br>6% | 47<br>13% | 27<br>7% | 15<br>4% | 7<br>2%      | 13<br>4% | 27<br>11% | 42<br>15% | 20<br>3% | 69<br>13% | 31<br>8% | 29<br>7% | 29<br>8%  | 31<br>10%      | 49<br>7%              | 9<br>5%                        | 96<br>8%    |

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|  | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME        | South East | Eastern   | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland   |             |
| Unweighted total   | 1156           | 425        | 109         | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548                    | 318               | 183                          | 258              | 274        | 1007       | 146        | 116       | 102       | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68        | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total   | 1156           | 520        | 109         | 527                   | 372        | 287                  | 253        | 423        | 522                    | 320               | 213                          | 287              | 219        | 1054       | 100        | 162       | 110       | 147        | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101        | 134        | 51        | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>  | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b> | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b>             | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b> | <b>703</b> | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b> | <b>72</b> | <b>86</b>  | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b> | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| The way the country is governed/running the country/what the government does | 303            | 152        | 28          | 122                   | 91         | 75                   | 88         | 96         | 134                    | 71                | 68                           | 99               | 28         | 289        | 14         | 54        | 39        | 30         | 27            | 24            | 27                       | 31         | 23         | 15        | 8           | 25         | 278         |
|  | 26%            | 29%        | 26%         | 23%                   | 25%        | 26%                  | 35%        | 23%        | 26%                    | 22%               | 32%                          | 34%              | 13%        | 27%        | 14%        | 33%       | 35%       | 21%        | 26%           | 23%           | 31%                      | 31%        | 17%        | 30%       | 13%         | 25%        | 24%         |
| Parliament   | 212            | 90         | 17          | 106                   | 66         | 43                   | 59         | 78         | 82                     | 45                | 45                           | 56               | 46         | 197        | 15         | 18        | 21        | 40         | 21            | 21            | 8                        | 22         | 19         | 5         | 10          | 29         | 204         |
|  | 18%            | 17%        | 15%         | 20%                   | 18%        | 15%                  | 23%        | 18%        | 16%                    | 14%               | 21%                          | 19%              | 21%        | 19%        | 15%        | 11%       | 19%       | 27%        | 21%           | 20%           | 9%                       | 22%        | 14%        | 9%        | 17%         | 28%        | 18%         |
| Elections/voting   | 157            | 63         | 16          | 78                    | 48         | 45                   | 31         | 71         | 56                     | 39                | 24                           | 39               | 38         | 138        | 17         | 9         | 22        | 27         | 7             | 8             | 13                       | 15         | 18         | 7         | 12          | 20         | 177         |
|  | 14%            | 12%        | 15%         | 15%                   | 13%        | 16%                  | 12%        | 17%        | 11%                    | 12%               | 11%                          | 14%              | 17%        | 13%        | 17%        | 6%        | 20%       | 18%        | 7%            | 8%            | 15%                      | 15%        | 13%        | 13%       | 20%         | 20%        | 15%         |
| Local government/councils  | 124            | 51         | 8           | 65                    | 41         | 38                   | 25         | 66         | 41                     | 26                | 25                           | 35               | 19         | 108        | 15         | 20        | 8         | 28         | 8             | 9             | 4                        | 5          | 16         | 7         | 3           | 17         | 128         |
|  | 11%            | 10%        | 8%          | 12%                   | 11%        | 13%                  | 10%        | 16%        | 8%                     | 8%                | 12%                          | 12%              | 9%         | 10%        | 15%        | 12%       | 7%        | 19%        | 8%            | 8%            | 4%                       | 5%         | 12%        | 13%       | 6%          | 17%        | 11%         |
| People with power/people who run things                                      | 117            | 49         | 11          | 57                    | 31         | 27                   | 42         | 40         | 43                     | 22                | 24                           | 42               | 23         | 109        | 8          | 14        | 17        | 16         | 12            | 5             | 9                        | 11         | 11         | 4         | 8           | 12         | 113         |
|  | 10%            | 9%         | 10%         | 11%                   | 8%         | 9%                   | 16%        | 10%        | 8%                     | 7%                | 11%                          | 15%              | 10%        | 10%        | 8%         | 9%        | 16%       | 11%        | 11%           | 5%            | 10%                      | 10%        | 8%         | 8%        | 13%         | 12%        | 10%         |
| Party system/alignment of groups   | 116            | 58         | 12          | 46                    | 36         | 24                   | 38         | 40         | 43                     | 25                | 24                           | 40               | 12         | 111        | 5          | 21        | 6         | 12         | 13            | 9             | 11                       | 13         | 13         | 3         | 9           | 5          | 101         |
|  | 10%            | 11%        | 11%         | 9%                    | 10%        | 8%                   | 15%        | 9%         | 8%                     | 8%                | 11%                          | 14%              | 6%         | 11%        | 5%         | 13%       | 6%        | 8%         | 13%           | 9%            | 13%                      | 13%        | 10%        | 5%        | 16%         | 5%         | 9%          |
| Arguments between parties/politicians  | 114            | 42         | 9           | 64                    | 38         | 23                   | 30         | 41         | 50                     | 30                | 18                           | 22               | 31         | 101        | 13         | 19        | 8         | 27         | 5             | 7             | 9                        | 9          | 12         | 3         | 6           | 9          | 104         |
|  | 10%            | 8%         | 8%          | 12%                   | 10%        | 8%                   | 12%        | 10%        | 10%                    | 9%                | 8%                           | 8%               | 14%        | 10%        | 13%        | 12%       | 7%        | 18%        | 5%            | 7%            | 10%                      | 9%         | 9%         | 6%        | 10%         | 9%         | 9%          |
| Sleaze/corruption/they are all crooks  | 108            | 48         | 4           | 56                    | 32         | 26                   | 15         | 53         | 44                     | 31                | 28                           | 11               | 26         | 105        | 4          | 17        | 14        | 9          | 11            | 8             | 6                        | 7          | 15         | 4         | 6           | 11         | 116         |
|  | 9%             | 9%         | 4%          | 11%                   | 9%         | 9%                   | 6%         | 13%        | 8%                     | 10%               | 13%                          | 4%               | 12%        | 10%        | 4%         | 10%       | 12%       | 6%         | 11%           | 8%            | 7%                       | 7%         | 11%        | 7%        | 10%         | 11%        | 10%         |
| Talking/people discussing issues/reaching agreement                          | 82             | 42         | 12          | 28                    | 25         | 17                   | 16         | 23         | 44                     | 20                | 13                           | 31               | 9          | 77         | 4          | 25        | 6         | 6          | 12            | 3             | 2                        | 7          | 9          | 8         | 1           | 3          | 80          |
|  | 7%             | 8%         | 11%         | 5%                    | 7%         | 6%                   | 6%         | 6%         | 9%                     | 6%                | 6%                           | 11%              | 4%         | 7%         | 4%         | 16%       | 6%        | 4%         | 12%           | 3%            | 2%                       | 7%         | 7%         | 16%       | 2%          | 3%         | 7%          |
| Choices for society/how the country should be run                            | 68             | 35         | 3           | 30                    | 22         | 11                   | 32         | 19         | 22                     | 13                | 12                           | 31               | 5          | 61         | 7          | 17        | 5         | 11         | 4             | 3             | 5                        | 5          | 5          | 3         | 3           | 9          | 70          |
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| Way of making decisions  | 63             | 31         | 6           | 27                    | 12         | 18                   | 26         | 16         | 23                     | 11                | 11                           | 27               | 8          | 59         | 4          | 16        | 13        | 4          | 6             | 3             | 4                        | *          | 3          | 8         | 2           | 4          | 60          |
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| Spin/lies  | 63             | 32         | 6           | 26                    | 28         | 9                    | 10         | 28         | 25                     | 20                | 14                           | 9                | 12         | 62         | 1          | 11        | 7         | 6          | 5             | 8             | 1                        | 6          | 1          | 6         | 5           | 5          | 66          |
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| Public link with/control over government/representation                      | 56             | 18         | 5           | 33                    | 15         | 7                    | 19         | 16         | 24                     | 17                | 7                            | 19               | 7          | 51         | 5          | 10        | 2         | 15         | 1             | 6             | 4                        | 6          | 7          | 3         | 3           | *          | 55          |
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| Disagreement/confrontation/argument  | 54             | 22         | 7           | 25                    | 22         | 9                    | 12         | 14         | 31                     | 19                | 17                           | 6                | 9          | 52         | 2          | 6         | 7         | 5          | 3             | 8             | 7                        | 4          | 6          | 1         | 3           | 3          | 46          |
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| Not listening/ignoring public opinion  | 51             | 28         | 1           | 23                    | 25         | 7                    | 2          | 29         | 20                     | 19                | 6                            | 8                | 11         | 50         | 1          | 13        | 6         | 6          | 7             | 3             | 6                        | 3          | 4          | 1         | 2           | 2          | 43          |
|  | 4%             | 5%         | 1%          | 4%                    | 7%         | 2%                   | 1%         | 7%         | 4%                     | 6%                | 3%                           | 3%               | 5%         | 5%         | 1%         | 8%        | 5%        | 4%         | 7%            | 3%            | 7%                       | 3%         | 3%         | 2%        | 3%          | 2%         | 4%          |
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| Irrelevant/doesn't involve me/something for other people                     | 34             | 20         | 4           | 10                    | 14         | 10                   | 3          | 12         | 18                     | 6                 | 14                           | 5                | 9          | 32         | 2          | 10        | 2         | 7          | 2             | 2             | 3                        | 2          | 1          | 2         | 3           | 1          | 33          |
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| Important issue of the day   | 34             | 17         | *           | 17                    | 9          | 9                    | 7          | 11         | 17                     | 9                 | 7                            | 6                | 6          | 33         | 1          | 6         | *         | 1          | 2             | 8             | 1                        | 4          | 4          | 3         | 1           | 4          | 33          |
|  | 3%             | 3%         | *           | 3%                    | 2%         | 3%                   | 3%         | 3%         | 3%                     | 3%                | 3%                           | 2%               | 3%         | 3%         | 1%         | 4%        | *         | 1%         | 2%            | 7%            | 1%                       | 4%         | 3%         | 6%        | 2%          | 4%         | 3%          |
| Cronyism/jobs for the boys/nepotism  | 32             | 18         | 3           | 11                    | 15         | 3                    | 12         | 10         | 10                     | 9                 | 5                            | 8                | 5          | 30         | 2          | 6         | 4         | 7          | -             | 2             | 8                        | 2          | 1          | 1         | 1           | *          | 22          |
|  | 3%             | 4%         | 3%          | 2%                    | 4%         | 1%                   | 5%         | 2%         | 2%                     | 3%                | 2%                           | 3%               | 2%         | 3%         | 2%         | 4%        | 4%        | 5%         | -             | 2%            | 9%                       | 2%         | 1%         | 1%        | 2%          | *          | 2%          |
| Posturing/playing games  | 24             | 15         | 1           | 8                     | 12         | 3                    | 1          | 13         | 11                     | 7                 | 5                            | 4                | 6          | 24         | *          | 5         | 1         | 6          | -             | -             | 5                        | 2          | 5          | -         | *           | *          | 21          |
|  | 2%             | 3%         | 1%          | 1%                    | 3%         | 1%                   | 1%         | 3%         | 2%                     | 2%                | 2%                           | 1%               | 3%         | 2%         | *          | 3%        | 1%        | 4%         | -             | -             | 6%                       | 2%         | 4%         | -         | 1%          | *          | 2%          |

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|                              | Full time      | Part time | Not working | Yes                   | No        | Quality              | Popular | None     | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White     | BME      | South East | Eastern | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales   |             | Scotland |          |
| Popularity contest           | 23<br>2%       | 11<br>2%  | 1<br>1%     | 12<br>2%              | 8<br>2%   | 11<br>4%             | 7<br>3% | 7<br>2%  | 10<br>2%               | 9<br>3%           | -                            | 9<br>3%          | 4<br>2%   | 21<br>2% | 3<br>3%    | -       | 1<br>1%   | 5<br>3%    | -             | 3<br>3%       | -                        | 3<br>3%    | 4<br>3%    | 2<br>5% | 3<br>5%     | 2<br>2%  | 22<br>2% |
| Campaigning                  | 22<br>2%       | 13<br>2%  | 2<br>2%     | 8<br>1%               | 6<br>2%   | 5<br>2%              | 4<br>2% | 15<br>4% | 4<br>1%                | 4<br>3%           | 7<br>1%                      | 4<br>1%          | 6<br>3%   | 22<br>2% | *<br>*     | 1<br>1% | 1<br>1%   | 8<br>5%    | 1<br>1%       | -             | 1<br>1%                  | 3<br>3%    | 4<br>3%    | -       | 3<br>5%     | *<br>*   | 23<br>2% |
| Government/politicians       | 8<br>1%        | 2<br>*    | 1<br>1%     | 5<br>1%               | 3<br>1%   | 1<br>*               | 1<br>*  | 7<br>1%  | 2<br>1%                | 4<br>2%           | 2<br>1%                      | -                | 8<br>1%   | 1<br>1%  | -          | 1<br>1% | -         | 1<br>1%    | 1<br>1%       | -             | 3<br>3%                  | *<br>*     | 1<br>3%    | -       | 1<br>1%     | 12<br>1% |          |
| Broken/hopeless/useless/mess | 8<br>1%        | 4<br>1%   | -           | 3<br>1%               | 3<br>1%   | 2<br>1%              | 1<br>*  | 2<br>*   | 5<br>1%                | 5<br>1%           | -                            | 2<br>1%          | 8<br>1%   | -        | 2<br>1%    | -       | 2<br>1%   | 1<br>1%    | -             | -             | 1<br>1%                  | 1<br>1%    | -          | 1<br>2% | -           | 7<br>1%  |          |
| Old fashioned/out of date    | 6<br>1%        | -         | -           | 6<br>1%               | 3<br>1%   | -                    | -       | 2<br>*   | 4<br>1%                | 3<br>1%           | -                            | 3<br>1%          | 6<br>1%   | -        | 3<br>2%    | 2<br>2% | -         | -          | 1<br>1%       | -             | -                        | -          | -          | -       | -           | 4<br>*   |          |
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| Making laws                  | 4<br>*         | 3<br>1%   | -           | 1<br>*                | 2<br>*    | -                    | *       | *<br>1%  | 4<br>1%                | -                 | 3<br>1%                      | 1<br>*           | 4<br>*    | -        | -          | -       | -         | -          | 1<br>1%       | -             | 2<br>2%                  | -          | -          | -       | 1<br>1%     | 4<br>*   |          |
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| NHS/Housing etc              | 1<br>*         | 1<br>*    | -           | -                     | -         | -                    | 1<br>*  | -        | -                      | 1<br>*            | -                            | -                | 1<br>*    | -        | -          | -       | -         | -          | -             | -             | -                        | -          | -          | -       | 1<br>1%     | 1<br>*   |          |
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| Greed                        | 1<br>*         | -         | -           | 1<br>*                | 1<br>*    | -                    | -       | -        | 1<br>*                 | 1<br>*            | -                            | -                | 1<br>*    | -        | -          | -       | -         | -          | 1<br>1%       | -             | -                        | -          | -          | -       | -           | 1<br>*   |          |
| Other                        | 15<br>1%       | 7<br>1%   | 1<br>1%     | 7<br>1%               | 6<br>2%   | 2<br>1%              | *<br>*  | 4<br>1%  | 11<br>2%               | 5<br>2%           | 1<br>1%                      | 3<br>1%          | 2<br>1%   | 13<br>1% | 2<br>2%    | -       | 2<br>2%   | 2<br>1%    | 1<br>1%       | 5<br>5%       | -                        | 2<br>2%    | 1<br>2%    | 2<br>3% | -           | 14<br>1% |          |
| None of these                | 20<br>2%       | 8<br>1%   | 3<br>2%     | 10<br>2%              | 7<br>2%   | 5<br>2%              | 3<br>1% | 6<br>1%  | 11<br>2%               | 6<br>2%           | 4<br>2%                      | 1<br>*           | 8<br>4%   | 17<br>2% | 3<br>3%    | 1<br>1% | -         | 3<br>2%    | 3<br>3%       | 2<br>2%       | 1<br>2%                  | 1<br>1%    | 3<br>2%    | *<br>4% | 3<br>3%     | 24<br>2% |          |
| Don't know                   | 89<br>8%       | 43<br>8%  | 7<br>7%     | 39<br>7%              | 35<br>10% | 31<br>11%            | 4<br>2% | 40<br>9% | 47<br>9%               | 31<br>10%         | 13<br>6%                     | 11<br>4%         | 29<br>13% | 70<br>7% | 19<br>19%  | 7<br>4% | 13<br>12% | 18<br>12%  | 4<br>4%       | 7<br>7%       | 4<br>5%                  | 9<br>9%    | 15<br>11%  | 3<br>6% | 5<br>9%     | 4<br>4%  | 96<br>8% |

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Table 3

## Q.1 What do you understand by 'politics'? What else?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Total      | Urbanity   |           |            | Interest in politics |                | Likelihood to vote |                | Political activism |              | Opinion on present system |                   | Knew local MP |            | Unwtd total |
|--|------------|------------|-----------|------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|
|  |            | Urban      | Rural     | Mixed      | Interested           | Not interested | Certain to         | Certain not to | Activist           | Non-activist | Works well                | Needs improvement | Yes           | No         |             |
| Unweighted total   | 1156       | 773        | 145       | 238        | 580                  | 569            | 627                | 143            | 160                | 996          | 327                       | 783               | 495           | 661        | 1156        |
| Weighted total   | 1156       | 784        | 136       | 235        | 611                  | 539            | 619                | 140            | 180                | 976          | 322                       | 793               | 511           | 645        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>  | <b>801</b> | <b>535</b> | <b>97</b> | <b>170</b> | <b>404</b>           | <b>394</b>     | <b>430</b>         | <b>96</b>      | <b>118</b>         | <b>684</b>   | <b>232</b>                | <b>543</b>        | <b>339</b>    | <b>464</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| The way the country is governed/running the country/what the government does | 303        | 188        | 47        | 68         | 215                  | 88             | 188                | 22             | 77                 | 226          | 94                        | 204               | 149           | 154        | 278         |
|  | 26%        | 24%        | 34%       | 29%        | 35%                  | 16%            | 30%                | 16%            | 43%                | 23%          | 29%                       | 26%               | 29%           | 24%        | 24%         |
| Parliament   | 212        | 146        | 22        | 44         | 124                  | 89             | 128                | 14             | 33                 | 180          | 53                        | 152               | 120           | 92         | 204         |
|  | 18%        | 19%        | 16%       | 19%        | 20%                  | 16%            | 21%                | 10%            | 18%                | 18%          | 16%                       | 19%               | 24%           | 14%        | 18%         |
| Elections/voting   | 157        | 119        | 13        | 24         | 76                   | 81             | 75                 | 15             | 14                 | 143          | 54                        | 98                | 75            | 82         | 177         |
|  | 14%        | 15%        | 10%       | 10%        | 12%                  | 15%            | 12%                | 11%            | 8%                 | 15%          | 17%                       | 12%               | 15%           | 13%        | 15%         |
| Local government/ councils   | 124        | 93         | 14        | 17         | 83                   | 41             | 76                 | 14             | 25                 | 98           | 42                        | 77                | 61            | 63         | 128         |
|  | 11%        | 12%        | 10%       | 7%         | 14%                  | 8%             | 12%                | 10%            | 14%                | 10%          | 13%                       | 10%               | 12%           | 10%        | 11%         |
| People with power/people who run things                                      | 117        | 81         | 10        | 27         | 77                   | 40             | 65                 | 9              | 26                 | 91           | 36                        | 82                | 65            | 52         | 113         |
|  | 10%        | 10%        | 7%        | 11%        | 13%                  | 7%             | 10%                | 6%             | 14%                | 9%           | 11%                       | 10%               | 13%           | 8%         | 10%         |
| Party system/alignment of groups   | 116        | 75         | 13        | 27         | 81                   | 34             | 78                 | 5              | 29                 | 86           | 38                        | 78                | 63            | 53         | 101         |
|  | 10%        | 10%        | 10%       | 12%        | 13%                  | 6%             | 13%                | 4%             | 16%                | 9%           | 12%                       | 10%               | 12%           | 8%         | 9%          |
| Arguments between parties/politicians  | 114        | 88         | 9         | 17         | 65                   | 49             | 61                 | 11             | 16                 | 97           | 35                        | 75                | 71            | 43         | 104         |
|  | 10%        | 11%        | 7%        | 7%         | 11%                  | 9%             | 10%                | 8%             | 9%                 | 10%          | 11%                       | 9%                | 14%           | 7%         | 9%          |
| Sleaze/corruption/they are all crooks  | 108        | 57         | 23        | 28         | 50                   | 58             | 47                 | 24             | 10                 | 98           | 17                        | 91                | 51            | 58         | 116         |
|  | 9%         | 7%         | 17%       | 12%        | 8%                   | 11%            | 8%                 | 17%            | 5%                 | 10%          | 5%                        | 11%               | 10%           | 9%         | 10%         |
| Talking/people discussing issues/ reaching agreement                         | 82         | 55         | 12        | 16         | 63                   | 19             | 49                 | 6              | 24                 | 58           | 25                        | 57                | 51            | 31         | 80          |
|  | 7%         | 7%         | 9%        | 7%         | 10%                  | 4%             | 8%                 | 4%             | 13%                | 6%           | 8%                        | 7%                | 10%           | 5%         | 7%          |
| Choices for society/how the country should be run                            | 68         | 49         | 8         | 11         | 59                   | 10             | 46                 | 1              | 27                 | 41           | 21                        | 47                | 36            | 33         | 70          |
|  | 6%         | 6%         | 6%        | 5%         | 10%                  | 2%             | 7%                 | 1%             | 15%                | 4%           | 7%                        | 6%                | 7%            | 5%         | 6%          |
| Way of making decisions  | 63         | 38         | 10        | 16         | 46                   | 16             | 40                 | 3              | 19                 | 45           | 19                        | 45                | 37            | 26         | 60          |
|  | 5%         | 5%         | 7%        | 7%         | 8%                   | 3%             | 6%                 | 2%             | 11%                | 5%           | 6%                        | 6%                | 7%            | 4%         | 5%          |
| Spin/lies  | 63         | 27         | 17        | 19         | 30                   | 33             | 27                 | 10             | 6                  | 57           | 6                         | 56                | 28            | 35         | 66          |
|  | 5%         | 3%         | 12%       | 8%         | 5%                   | 6%             | 4%                 | 7%             | 3%                 | 6%           | 2%                        | 7%                | 5%            | 5%         | 6%          |
| Public link with/control over government/ representation                     | 56         | 45         | 2         | 9          | 40                   | 16             | 38                 | 6              | 12                 | 44           | 17                        | 38                | 35            | 21         | 55          |
|  | 5%         | 6%         | 1%        | 4%         | 7%                   | 3%             | 6%                 | 4%             | 7%                 | 5%           | 5%                        | 5%                | 7%            | 3%         | 5%          |
| Disagreement/ confrontation/argument   | 54         | 35         | 6         | 14         | 31                   | 23             | 26                 | 14             | 5                  | 49           | 13                        | 41                | 24            | 30         | 46          |
|  | 5%         | 4%         | 4%        | 6%         | 5%                   | 4%             | 4%                 | 10%            | 3%                 | 5%           | 4%                        | 5%                | 5%            | 5%         | 4%          |
| Not listening/ignoring public opinion  | 51         | 29         | 3         | 19         | 32                   | 19             | 24                 | 9              | 8                  | 44           | 2                         | 49                | 25            | 27         | 43          |
|  | 4%         | 4%         | 2%        | 8%         | 5%                   | 3%             | 4%                 | 7%             | 4%                 | 4%           | 1%                        | 6%                | 5%            | 4%         | 4%          |
| Boring   | 46         | 25         | 3         | 18         | 10                   | 37             | 14                 | 4              | -                  | 46           | 14                        | 30                | 15            | 32         | 50          |
|  | 4%         | 3%         | 2%        | 8%         | 2%                   | 7%             | 2%                 | 3%             | -                  | 5%           | 4%                        | 4%                | 3%            | 5%         | 4%          |
| Irrelevant/doesn't involve me/something for other people                     | 34         | 22         | 3         | 8          | 11                   | 23             | 7                  | 10             | 4                  | 30           | 6                         | 28                | 14            | 20         | 33          |
|  | 3%         | 3%         | 2%        | 4%         | 2%                   | 4%             | 1%                 | 7%             | 2%                 | 3%           | 2%                        | 4%                | 3%            | 3%         | 3%          |
| Important issue of the day   | 34         | 25         | 5         | 4          | 20                   | 14             | 21                 | 3              | 12                 | 22           | 10                        | 24                | 16            | 18         | 33          |
|  | 3%         | 3%         | 4%        | 2%         | 3%                   | 3%             | 3%                 | 2%             | 7%                 | 2%           | 3%                        | 3%                | 3%            | 3%         | 3%          |
| Cronyism/jobs for the boys/nepotism  | 32         | 26         | 3         | 3          | 19                   | 13             | 20                 | 2              | 8                  | 24           | 6                         | 27                | 19            | 13         | 22          |
|  | 3%         | 3%         | 2%        | 1%         | 3%                   | 2%             | 3%                 | 2%             | 4%                 | 2%           | 2%                        | 3%                | 4%            | 2%         | 2%          |
| Posturing/playing games  | 24         | 19         | 2         | 3          | 14                   | 10             | 6                  | 4              | 6                  | 18           | 10                        | 14                | 13            | 11         | 21          |
|  | 2%         | 2%         | 2%        | 1%         | 2%                   | 2%             | 1%                 | 3%             | 3%                 | 2%           | 3%                        | 2%                | 3%            | 2%         | 2%          |
| Popularity contest   | 23         | 16         | 2         | 5          | 15                   | 8              | 8                  | 4              | 1                  | 22           | 8                         | 15                | 7             | 17         | 22          |
|  | 2%         | 2%         | 2%        | 2%         | 3%                   | 1%             | 1%                 | 3%             | 1%                 | 2%           | 3%                        | 2%                | 1%            | 3%         | 2%          |

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Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                  | Total    | Urbanity |         |          | Interest in politics |                | Likelihood to vote |                | Political activism |              | Opinion on present system |                   | Knew local MP |           | Unwtd total |
|----------------------------------|----------|----------|---------|----------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------|-----------|-------------|
|                                  |          | Urban    | Rural   | Mixed    | Interested           | Not interested | Certain to         | Certain not to | Activist           | Non-activist | Works well                | Needs improvement | Yes           | No        |             |
| Campaigning                      | 22<br>2% | 20<br>3% | -       | 3<br>1%  | 11<br>2%             | 11<br>2%       | 12<br>2%           | 1<br>1%        | 2<br>1%            | 20<br>2%     | 5<br>2%                   | 17<br>2%          | 14<br>3%      | 8<br>1%   | 23<br>2%    |
| Government/politicians           | 8<br>1%  | 5<br>1%  | 1<br>*  | 3<br>1%  | 4<br>1%              | 4<br>1%        | 4<br>1%            | 2<br>1%        | 1<br>*             | 7<br>1%      | 2<br>1%                   | 5<br>1%           | 5<br>1%       | 4<br>1%   | 12<br>1%    |
| Broken/hopeless/useless/<br>mess | 8<br>1%  | 4<br>1%  | 1<br>1% | 2<br>1%  | 1<br>*               | 6<br>1%        | 2<br>*             | 4<br>3%        | -                  | 8<br>1%      | -                         | 5<br>1%           | 1<br>*        | 6<br>1%   | 7<br>1%     |
| Old fashioned/out of<br>date     | 6<br>1%  | 2<br>*   | -       | 4<br>2%  | 1<br>*               | 5<br>1%        | 2<br>*             | 2<br>1%        | -                  | 6<br>1%      | 1<br>*                    | 5<br>1%           | 3<br>1%       | 3<br>*    | 4<br>*      |
| Economy/budgets                  | 4<br>*   | 2<br>*   | 1<br>1% | *<br>*   | 4<br>1%              | 1<br>*         | 2<br>*             | 1<br>*         | 3<br>2%            | 2<br>*       | *<br>*                    | 4<br>*            | 2<br>*        | 2<br>*    | 5<br>*      |
| Making laws                      | 4<br>*   | 4<br>1%  | -       | -        | 4<br>1%              | -              | 2<br>*             | 1<br>1%        | 1<br>*             | 3<br>*       | -                         | 4<br>1%           | 2<br>*        | 2<br>*    | 4<br>*      |
| Gordon Brown/Prime<br>Minister   | 4<br>*   | 2<br>*   | -       | 1<br>1%  | 1<br>*               | 3<br>1%        | 2<br>*             | -              | -                  | 4<br>*       | 2<br>1%                   | 1<br>*            | 2<br>*        | 1<br>*    | 3<br>*      |
| Democracy                        | 2<br>*   | 2<br>*   | -       | -        | 2<br>*               | -              | 2<br>*             | -              | 2<br>1%            | -            | -                         | 2<br>*            | -             | 2<br>*    | 1<br>*      |
| NHS/Housing etc                  | 1<br>*   | 1<br>*   | -       | -        | 1<br>*               | -              | -                  | -              | -                  | 1<br>*       | -                         | 1<br>*            | -             | 1<br>*    | 1<br>*      |
| Bureaucracy/red tape             | 1<br>*   | 1<br>*   | -       | -        | -                    | 1<br>*         | -                  | -              | -                  | 1<br>*       | -                         | 1<br>*            | -             | 1<br>*    | 1<br>*      |
| Greed                            | 1<br>*   | 1<br>*   | -       | -        | 1<br>*               | -              | -                  | -              | -                  | 1<br>*       | -                         | 1<br>*            | 1<br>*        | -         | 1<br>*      |
| Other                            | 15<br>1% | 10<br>1% | 2<br>1% | 3<br>1%  | 8<br>1%              | 7<br>1%        | 9<br>1%            | 4<br>3%        | 1<br>1%            | 14<br>1%     | 3<br>1%                   | 11<br>1%          | 3<br>1%       | 12<br>2%  | 14<br>1%    |
| None of these                    | 20<br>2% | 13<br>2% | 5<br>4% | 3<br>1%  | 3<br>*               | 17<br>3%       | 4<br>1%            | 2<br>1%        | -                  | 20<br>2%     | 7<br>2%                   | 10<br>1%          | 6<br>1%       | 14<br>2%  | 24<br>2%    |
| Don't know                       | 89<br>8% | 70<br>9% | 8<br>6% | 11<br>5% | 10<br>2%             | 75<br>14%      | 21<br>3%           | 19<br>14%      | 2<br>1%            | 87<br>9%     | 23<br>7%                  | 55<br>7%          | 21<br>4%      | 68<br>11% | 96<br>8%    |

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Table 4

## Q.1 What do you understand by 'politics'? What else?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Quiz score |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |            | Satisfaction with general MPs in |            | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |              | Unwtd total |                     |
|--|------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|--|------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
|  | Total      | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                           | Agree      | Disagree        | Use internet |             | Do not use internet |
| Unweighted total   | 1156       | 210        | 463        | 483                        | 459        | 183                              | 349        | 502                                    | 438        | 450             | 762          | 394         | 1156                |
| Weighted total   | 1156       | 187        | 470        | 499                        | 444        | 190                              | 336        | 515                                    | 427        | 474             | 826          | 330         | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b>  | <b>801</b> | <b>150</b> | <b>310</b> | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b> | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b> | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b> | <b>302</b>      | <b>540</b>   | <b>269</b>  | <b>1156</b>         |
| The way the country is governed/running the country/what the government does | 303<br>26% | 16<br>9%   | 100<br>21% | 186<br>37%                 | 127<br>29% | 45<br>23%                        | 105<br>31% | 110<br>21%                             | 111<br>26% | 133<br>28%      | 260<br>31%   | 43<br>13%   | 278<br>24%          |
| Parliament   | 212<br>18% | 25<br>13%  | 91<br>19%  | 96<br>19%                  | 99<br>22%  | 26<br>14%                        | 72<br>21%  | 98<br>19%                              | 70<br>16%  | 100<br>21%      | 150<br>18%   | 63<br>19%   | 204<br>18%          |
| Elections/voting   | 157<br>14% | 27<br>14%  | 74<br>16%  | 56<br>11%                  | 66<br>15%  | 20<br>11%                        | 50<br>15%  | 66<br>13%                              | 63<br>15%  | 63<br>13%       | 106<br>13%   | 51<br>15%   | 177<br>15%          |
| Local government/ councils   | 124<br>11% | 14<br>8%   | 58<br>12%  | 51<br>10%                  | 53<br>12%  | 18<br>10%                        | 43<br>13%  | 47<br>9%                               | 54<br>13%  | 41<br>9%        | 103<br>13%   | 20<br>6%    | 128<br>11%          |
| People with power/people who run things                                      | 117<br>10% | 10<br>5%   | 41<br>9%   | 67<br>13%                  | 51<br>11%  | 14<br>7%                         | 32<br>9%   | 53<br>10%                              | 42<br>10%  | 51<br>11%       | 97<br>12%    | 20<br>6%    | 113<br>10%          |
| Party system/alignment of groups   | 116<br>10% | 7<br>4%    | 37<br>8%   | 72<br>14%                  | 48<br>11%  | 16<br>8%                         | 40<br>12%  | 51<br>10%                              | 44<br>10%  | 50<br>11%       | 88<br>11%    | 27<br>8%    | 101<br>9%           |
| Arguments between parties/politicians  | 114<br>10% | 20<br>11%  | 35<br>8%   | 59<br>12%                  | 49<br>11%  | 16<br>8%                         | 31<br>9%   | 50<br>10%                              | 39<br>9%   | 48<br>10%       | 64<br>8%     | 50<br>15%   | 104<br>9%           |
| Sleaze/corruption/they are all crooks  | 108<br>9%  | 10<br>5%   | 50<br>11%  | 48<br>10%                  | 35<br>8%   | 17<br>9%                         | 16<br>5%   | 71<br>14%                              | 31<br>7%   | 63<br>13%       | 77<br>9%     | 32<br>10%   | 116<br>10%          |
| Talking/people discussing issues/ reaching agreement                         | 82<br>7%   | 4<br>2%    | 19<br>4%   | 60<br>12%                  | 42<br>9%   | 10<br>5%                         | 36<br>11%  | 29<br>6%                               | 39<br>9%   | 28<br>6%        | 75<br>9%     | 8<br>2%     | 80<br>7%            |
| Choices for society/how the country should be run                            | 68<br>6%   | 3<br>1%    | 21<br>5%   | 44<br>9%                   | 30<br>7%   | 16<br>8%                         | 27<br>8%   | 25<br>5%                               | 37<br>9%   | 19<br>4%        | 55<br>7%     | 13<br>4%    | 70<br>6%            |
| Way of making decisions  | 63<br>5%   | 5<br>3%    | 13<br>3%   | 46<br>9%                   | 36<br>8%   | 6<br>3%                          | 27<br>8%   | 20<br>4%                               | 29<br>7%   | 19<br>4%        | 52<br>6%     | 11<br>3%    | 60<br>5%            |
| Spin/lies  | 63<br>5%   | 4<br>2%    | 25<br>5%   | 34<br>7%                   | 21<br>5%   | 12<br>6%                         | 14<br>4%   | 35<br>7%                               | 26<br>6%   | 29<br>6%        | 53<br>6%     | 10<br>3%    | 66<br>6%            |
| Public link with/control over government/ representation                     | 56<br>5%   | 5<br>3%    | 21<br>4%   | 30<br>6%                   | 28<br>6%   | 6<br>3%                          | 24<br>7%   | 21<br>4%                               | 33<br>8%   | 13<br>3%        | 44<br>5%     | 12<br>4%    | 55<br>5%            |
| Disagreement/ confrontation/argument   | 54<br>5%   | 5<br>3%    | 18<br>4%   | 30<br>6%                   | 14<br>3%   | 6<br>3%                          | 11<br>3%   | 25<br>5%                               | 19<br>4%   | 25<br>5%        | 41<br>5%     | 13<br>4%    | 46<br>4%            |
| Not listening/ignoring public opinion  | 51<br>4%   | 8<br>4%    | 19<br>4%   | 24<br>5%                   | 14<br>3%   | 13<br>7%                         | 7<br>2%    | 35<br>7%                               | 20<br>5%   | 25<br>5%        | 38<br>5%     | 13<br>4%    | 43<br>4%            |
| Boring   | 46<br>4%   | 10<br>6%   | 31<br>7%   | 5<br>1%                    | 18<br>4%   | 5<br>3%                          | 14<br>4%   | 18<br>4%                               | 20<br>5%   | 18<br>4%        | 29<br>4%     | 17<br>5%    | 50<br>4%            |
| Irrelevant/doesn't involve me/something for other people                     | 34<br>3%   | 8<br>4%    | 9<br>2%    | 17<br>3%                   | 9<br>2%    | 7<br>4%                          | 6<br>2%    | 21<br>4%                               | 12<br>3%   | 19<br>4%        | 26<br>3%     | 8<br>2%     | 33<br>3%            |
| Important issue of the day   | 34<br>3%   | 4<br>2%    | 13<br>3%   | 16<br>3%                   | 14<br>3%   | 9<br>5%                          | 10<br>3%   | 14<br>3%                               | 16<br>4%   | 14<br>3%        | 26<br>3%     | 8<br>2%     | 33<br>3%            |
| Cronyism/jobs for the boys/nepotism  | 32<br>3%   | -          | 10<br>2%   | 22<br>4%                   | 11<br>2%   | 5<br>3%                          | 5<br>1%    | 21<br>4%                               | 11<br>2%   | 15<br>3%        | 24<br>3%     | 8<br>2%     | 22<br>2%            |
| Posturing/playing games  | 24<br>2%   | *          | 4<br>1%    | 19<br>4%                   | 6<br>1%    | 5<br>3%                          | 6<br>2%    | 12<br>2%                               | 7<br>2%    | 12<br>3%        | 17<br>2%     | 7<br>2%     | 21<br>2%            |
| Popularity contest   | 23<br>2%   | 1<br>1%    | 10<br>2%   | 12<br>2%                   | 5<br>1%    | 3<br>2%                          | 8<br>2%    | 9<br>2%                                | 9<br>2%    | 9<br>2%         | 17<br>2%     | 6<br>2%     | 22<br>2%            |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 4

### Q.1 What do you understand by 'politics'? What else?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                  | Quiz score |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |           | Satisfaction with MPs in general |           | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |          | Use of internet |              | Unwtd total |                     |
|----------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|-----------|--|----------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
|                                  | Total      | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied | Dissatisfied                           | Agree    | Disagree        | Use internet |             | Do not use internet |
| Campaigning                      | 22<br>2%   | 1<br>1%    | 7<br>1%    | 14<br>3%                   | 6<br>1%   | 3<br>2%                          | 6<br>2%   | 13<br>3%                               | 7<br>2%  | 11<br>2%        | 16<br>2%     | 7<br>2%     | 23<br>2%            |
| Government/politicians           | 8<br>1%    | 2<br>1%    | 2<br>*     | 5<br>1%                    | 3<br>1%   | 1<br>1%                          | 3<br>1%   | 3<br>1%                                | 5<br>1%  | 2<br>*          | 6<br>1%      | 2<br>1%     | 12<br>1%            |
| Broken/hopeless/useless/<br>mess | 8<br>1%    | 3<br>2%    | 4<br>1%    | 1<br>*                     | 1<br>*    | -                                | -         | 5<br>1%                                | 1<br>*   | 5<br>1%         | 6<br>1%      | 1<br>*      | 7<br>1%             |
| Old fashioned/out of<br>date     | 6<br>1%    | -          | 6<br>1%    | -                          | 3<br>1%   | 1<br>1%                          | -         | 6<br>1%                                | 1<br>*   | 5<br>1%         | 3<br>*       | 3<br>1%     | 4<br>*              |
| Economy/budgets                  | 4<br>*     | -          | 2<br>1%    | 2<br>*                     | 2<br>1%   | 1<br>*                           | -         | 2<br>*                                 | 1<br>*   | 3<br>1%         | 4<br>*       | 1<br>*      | 5<br>*              |
| Making laws                      | 4<br>*     | -          | 1<br>*     | 3<br>1%                    | 2<br>1%   | -                                | 1<br>*    | 1<br>*                                 | -        | 2<br>*          | 3<br>*       | 1<br>*      | 4<br>*              |
| Gordon Brown/Prime<br>Minister   | 4<br>*     | -          | -          | 4<br>1%                    | 4<br>1%   | -                                | 1<br>*    | 1<br>*                                 | 1<br>*   | 3<br>1%         | 2<br>*       | 1<br>*      | 3<br>*              |
| Democracy                        | 2<br>*     | -          | -          | 2<br>*                     | -         | -                                | -         | -                                      | 2<br>*   | -               | 2<br>*       | -           | 1<br>*              |
| NHS/Housing etc                  | 1<br>*     | -          | -          | 1<br>*                     | 1<br>*    | -                                | 1<br>*    | -                                      | -        | 1<br>*          | -            | 1<br>*      | 1<br>*              |
| Bureaucracy/red tape             | 1<br>*     | -          | 1<br>*     | -                          | 1<br>*    | -                                | -         | -                                      | -        | -               | 1<br>*       | -           | 1<br>*              |
| Greed                            | 1<br>*     | -          | 1<br>*     | -                          | -         | -                                | -         | 1<br>*                                 | -        | -               | 1<br>*       | -           | 1<br>*              |
| Other                            | 15<br>1%   | 4<br>2%    | 6<br>1%    | 5<br>1%                    | 4<br>1%   | 6<br>3%                          | 3<br>1%   | 10<br>2%                               | 3<br>1%  | 8<br>2%         | 6<br>1%      | 9<br>3%     | 14<br>1%            |
| None of these                    | 20<br>2%   | 6<br>3%    | 12<br>2%   | 3<br>1%                    | 3<br>1%   | 2<br>1%                          | 4<br>1%   | 9<br>2%                                | 5<br>1%  | 12<br>2%        | 14<br>2%     | 6<br>2%     | 24<br>2%            |
| Don't know                       | 89<br>8%   | 42<br>22%  | 40<br>9%   | 7<br>1%                    | 28<br>6%  | 17<br>9%                         | 25<br>8%  | 30<br>6%                               | 28<br>6% | 28<br>6%        | 47<br>6%     | 42<br>13%   | 96<br>8%            |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 5

### Q.1 What do you understand by 'politics'? What else?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Total      | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |
|--|------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|
|  |            | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |
| Unweighted total   | 1156       | 163                   | 351                      | 386                     | 419         | 96                    | 142                | 146                   | 228             | 62                    | 93              | 287                    | 102               | 1156        |
| Weighted total   | 1156       | 175                   | 373                      | 396                     | 387         | 116                   | 157                | 159                   | 191             | 66                    | 92              | 277                    | 99                | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>  | <b>801</b> | <b>113</b>            | <b>251</b>               | <b>263</b>              | <b>290</b>  | <b>72</b>             | <b>101</b>         | <b>92</b>             | <b>160</b>      | <b>49</b>             | <b>66</b>       | <b>209</b>             | <b>63</b>         | <b>1156</b> |
| The way the country is governed/running the country/what the government does | 303        | 58                    | 104                      | 102                     | 96          | 53                    | 53                 | 64                    | 33              | 24                    | 13              | 56                     | 7                 | 278         |
|  | 26%        | 33%                   | 28%                      | 26%                     | 25%         | 46%                   | 34%                | 40%                   | 17%             | 36%                   | 14%             | 20%                    | 8%                | 24%         |
| Parliament   | 212        | 30                    | 72                       | 58                      | 83          | 24                    | 34                 | 37                    | 38              | 11                    | 28              | 30                     | 10                | 204         |
|  | 18%        | 17%                   | 19%                      | 15%                     | 21%         | 21%                   | 22%                | 24%                   | 20%             | 16%                   | 31%             | 11%                    | 10%               | 18%         |
| Elections/voting   | 157        | 29                    | 55                       | 47                      | 54          | 9                     | 12                 | 22                    | 26              | 12                    | 25              | 40                     | 11                | 177         |
|  | 14%        | 17%                   | 15%                      | 12%                     | 14%         | 8%                    | 8%                 | 14%                   | 14%             | 19%                   | 27%             | 14%                    | 11%               | 15%         |
| Local government/councils  | 124        | 11                    | 35                       | 47                      | 42          | 12                    | 21                 | 19                    | 15              | 12                    | 13              | 25                     | 8                 | 128         |
|  | 11%        | 7%                    | 9%                       | 12%                     | 11%         | 10%                   | 13%                | 12%                   | 8%              | 18%                   | 14%             | 9%                     | 8%                | 11%         |
| People with power/people who run things                                      | 117        | 17                    | 46                       | 33                      | 39          | 11                    | 25                 | 11                    | 15              | 12                    | 10              | 27                     | 7                 | 113         |
|  | 10%        | 10%                   | 12%                      | 8%                      | 10%         | 9%                    | 16%                | 7%                    | 8%              | 18%                   | 11%             | 10%                    | 7%                | 10%         |
| Party system/alignment of groups   | 116        | 20                    | 41                       | 35                      | 40          | 20                    | 25                 | 18                    | 14              | 10                    | 16              | 16                     | 3                 | 101         |
|  | 10%        | 11%                   | 11%                      | 9%                      | 10%         | 17%                   | 16%                | 11%                   | 7%              | 15%                   | 11%             | 6%                     | 3%                | 9%          |
| Arguments between parties/politicians  | 114        | 16                    | 37                       | 28                      | 49          | 14                    | 7                  | 10                    | 30              | 6                     | 15              | 25                     | 8                 | 104         |
|  | 10%        | 9%                    | 10%                      | 7%                      | 13%         | 12%                   | 4%                 | 6%                    | 15%             | 9%                    | 16%             | 9%                     | 8%                | 9%          |
| Sleaze/corruption/they are all crooks  | 108        | 16                    | 34                       | 36                      | 39          | 9                     | 10                 | 16                    | 25              | 4                     | 9               | 18                     | 18                | 116         |
|  | 9%         | 9%                    | 9%                       | 9%                      | 10%         | 8%                    | 6%                 | 10%                   | 13%             | 7%                    | 9%              | 7%                     | 18%               | 10%         |
| Talking/people discussing issues/reaching agreement                          | 82         | 21                    | 33                       | 29                      | 20          | 26                    | 11                 | 12                    | 8               | 7                     | 4               | 14                     | 1                 | 80          |
|  | 7%         | 12%                   | 9%                       | 7%                      | 5%          | 23%                   | 7%                 | 7%                    | 4%              | 10%                   | 4%              | 5%                     | 1%                | 7%          |
| Choices for society/how the country should be run                            | 68         | 13                    | 20                       | 23                      | 25          | 16                    | 20                 | 11                    | 5               | 5                     | 2               | 9                      | 1                 | 70          |
|  | 6%         | 7%                    | 5%                       | 6%                      | 7%          | 14%                   | 13%                | 7%                    | 3%              | 7%                    | 2%              | 3%                     | 1%                | 6%          |
| Way of making decisions  | 63         | 10                    | 27                       | 18                      | 19          | 15                    | 4                  | 10                    | 11              | 10                    | 4               | 9                      | 1                 | 60          |
|  | 5%         | 6%                    | 7%                       | 5%                      | 5%          | 13%                   | 2%                 | 6%                    | 6%              | 15%                   | 4%              | 3%                     | 1%                | 5%          |
| Spin/lies  | 63         | 6                     | 16                       | 20                      | 27          | 6                     | 4                  | 12                    | 9               | 2                     | 6               | 19                     | 5                 | 66          |
|  | 5%         | 3%                    | 4%                       | 5%                      | 7%          | 5%                    | 3%                 | 7%                    | 5%              | 3%                    | 7%              | 7%                     | 5%                | 6%          |
| Public link with/control over government/representation                      | 56         | 4                     | 25                       | 18                      | 13          | 9                     | 10                 | 11                    | 9               | 3                     | 3               | 6                      | 4                 | 55          |
|  | 5%         | 2%                    | 7%                       | 4%                      | 3%          | 8%                    | 6%                 | 7%                    | 5%              | 5%                    | 4%              | 2%                     | 4%                | 5%          |
| Disagreement/confrontation/argument  | 54         | 4                     | 16                       | 14                      | 25          | 8                     | 6                  | 5                     | 8               | 3                     | 8               | 12                     | 5                 | 46          |
|  | 5%         | 2%                    | 4%                       | 3%                      | 6%          | 7%                    | 4%                 | 3%                    | 4%              | 5%                    | 9%              | 4%                     | 5%                | 4%          |
| Not listening/ignoring public opinion  | 51         | 7                     | 18                       | 15                      | 18          | 4                     | 2                  | 12                    | 10              | -                     | 4               | 14                     | 5                 | 43          |
|  | 4%         | 4%                    | 5%                       | 4%                      | 5%          | 4%                    | 1%                 | 8%                    | 5%              | -                     | 5%              | 5%                     | 5%                | 4%          |
| Boring   | 46         | 8                     | 17                       | 16                      | 14          | -                     | *                  | 4                     | 6               | 2                     | 8               | 23                     | 3                 | 50          |
|  | 4%         | 4%                    | 4%                       | 4%                      | 4%          | -                     | *                  | 2%                    | 3%              | 3%                    | 9%              | 8%                     | 3%                | 4%          |
| Irrelevant/doesn't involve me/something for other people                     | 34         | 3                     | 10                       | 11                      | 13          | 2                     | 2                  | 3                     | 3               | 3                     | 6               | 9                      | 6                 | 33          |
|  | 3%         | 2%                    | 3%                       | 3%                      | 3%          | 2%                    | 1%                 | 2%                    | 2%              | 5%                    | 7%              | 3%                     | 6%                | 3%          |
| Important issue of the day   | 34         | 3                     | 15                       | 12                      | 7           | 6                     | 5                  | 6                     | 3               | *                     | 4               | 8                      | 1                 | 33          |
|  | 3%         | 2%                    | 4%                       | 3%                      | 2%          | 5%                    | 3%                 | 4%                    | 2%              | 1%                    | 4%              | 3%                     | 1%                | 3%          |
| Cronyism/jobs for the boys/nepotism  | 32         | 2                     | 18                       | 10                      | 4           | 2                     | 4                  | 3                     | 8               | -                     | 6               | 10                     | -                 | 22          |
|  | 3%         | 1%                    | 5%                       | 2%                      | 1%          | 1%                    | 3%                 | 2%                    | 4%              | -                     | 7%              | 4%                     | -                 | 2%          |
| Posturing/playing games  | 24         | 3                     | 9                        | 8                       | 8           | 3                     | 2                  | 1                     | 5               | 1                     | 6               | 6                      | -                 | 21          |
|  | 2%         | 2%                    | 2%                       | 2%                      | 2%          | 2%                    | 1%                 | 1%                    | 2%              | 2%                    | 7%              | 2%                     | -                 | 2%          |
| Popularity contest   | 23         | 5                     | 9                        | 12                      | 3           | -                     | 1                  | 3                     | 5               | 1                     | 3               | 9                      | 1                 | 22          |
|  | 2%         | 3%                    | 2%                       | 3%                      | 1%          | -                     | 1%                 | 2%                    | 2%              | 2%                    | 3%              | 3%                     | 1%                | 2%          |

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|                              | Total    | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        | Unwtd total |                   |
|------------------------------|----------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------|-------------------|
|                              |          | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful |             | Alienated/hostile |
| Campaigning                  | 22<br>2% | 5<br>3%               | 10<br>3%                 | 6<br>2%                 | 6<br>2%     | 1<br>1%               | *<br>*             | 5<br>3%               | 3<br>2%         | 3<br>4%               | 6<br>7%         | 3<br>1%                | 1<br>1%     | 23<br>2%          |
| Government/politicians       | 8<br>1%  | -                     | 2<br>1%                  | 6<br>2%                 | *<br>*      | -                     | 1<br>1%            | -                     | *<br>*          | 1<br>1%               | 3<br>3%         | 3<br>1%                | -           | 12<br>1%          |
| Broken/hopeless/useless/mess | 8<br>1%  | 1<br>1%               | 1<br>*                   | -                       | 6<br>2%     | -                     | -                  | 1<br>1%               | 1<br>*          | -                     | -               | 3<br>1%                | 3<br>3%     | 7<br>1%           |
| Old fashioned/out of date    | 6<br>1%  | -                     | -                        | 1<br>*                  | 5<br>1%     | -                     | -                  | 2<br>1%               | 1<br>1%         | 1<br>2%               | -               | -                      | 2<br>2%     | 4<br>*            |
| Economy/budgets              | 4<br>*   | -                     | 2<br>*                   | 1<br>*                  | 1<br>*      | 1<br>1%               | -                  | -                     | 1<br>1%         | -                     | -               | 2<br>1%                | -           | 5<br>*            |
| Making laws                  | 4<br>*   | -                     | 2<br>*                   | 3<br>1%                 | -           | -                     | 1<br>1%            | 2<br>1%               | -               | -                     | -               | 2<br>1%                | -           | 4<br>*            |
| Gordon Brown/Prime Minister  | 4<br>*   | -                     | 2<br>1%                  | 1<br>*                  | -           | -                     | -                  | 1<br>1%               | -               | -                     | 1<br>1%         | 1<br>1%                | -           | 3<br>*            |
| Democracy                    | 2<br>*   | -                     | 2<br>*                   | -                       | -           | -                     | 2<br>1%            | -                     | -               | -                     | -               | -                      | -           | 1<br>*            |
| NHS/Housing etc              | 1<br>*   | -                     | -                        | 1<br>*                  | -           | -                     | 1<br>1%            | -                     | -               | -                     | -               | -                      | -           | 1<br>*            |
| Bureaucracy/red tape         | 1<br>*   | 1<br>1%               | 1<br>*                   | -                       | -           | -                     | -                  | -                     | 1<br>*          | -                     | -               | -                      | -           | 1<br>*            |
| Greed                        | 1<br>*   | -                     | 1<br>*                   | -                       | -           | -                     | -                  | -                     | -               | -                     | -               | -                      | -           | 1<br>*            |
| Other                        | 15<br>1% | -                     | 3<br>1%                  | 2<br>1%                 | 10<br>3%    | 1<br>1%               | 2<br>2%            | 2<br>1%               | 3<br>2%         | -                     | 1<br>1%         | 2<br>1%                | 4<br>4%     | 14<br>1%          |
| None of these                | 20<br>2% | 2<br>1%               | 7<br>2%                  | 11<br>3%                | 2<br>1%     | -                     | -                  | -                     | 3<br>2%         | 1<br>2%               | 5<br>5%         | 7<br>3%                | 4<br>4%     | 24<br>2%          |
| Don't know                   | 89<br>8% | 6<br>3%               | 21<br>6%                 | 41<br>10%               | 27<br>7%    | -                     | 4<br>3%            | 2<br>2%               | 18<br>9%        | 3<br>5%               | 6<br>7%         | 36<br>13%              | 19<br>19%   | 96<br>8%          |

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Table 6

**Q.2 And how likely would you be to vote in an immediate general election, on a scale of 1 to 10, where 10 means you would be absolutely certain to vote, and 1 means that you would be absolutely certain not to vote?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Gender     |            | Age        |           |            |            |            |            |            |           |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                    | Male       | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34     | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34     | 35-54      | 55+        | AB           | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands  | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156       | 552        | 604        | 138       | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135       | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | 1156       | 561        | 595        | 173       | 183        | 216        | 186        | 169        | 117        | 111       | 356        | 402        | 398          | 310        | 333        | 241        | 272        | 642        | 514        | 387        | 411        | 358            | 306                   | 681                            | 169         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b> | <b>391</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>98</b> | <b>145</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b> | <b>236</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>222</b> | <b>401</b> | <b>413</b> | <b>312</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| 1 (Absolutely certain not to vote) | 140<br>12% | 70<br>13%  | 69<br>12%  | 36<br>21% | 29<br>16%  | 35<br>16%  | 20<br>11%  | 10<br>6%   | 6<br>6%    | 4<br>3%   | 65<br>18%  | 55<br>14%  | 20<br>5%     | 14<br>5%   | 31<br>9%   | 40<br>16%  | 54<br>20%  | 46<br>7%   | 94<br>18%  | 67<br>17%  | 35<br>9%   | 38<br>11%      | 56<br>18%             | 70<br>10%                      | 14<br>8%    | 143<br>12%  |
| 2                                  | 20<br>2%   | 13<br>2%   | 7<br>1%    | 6<br>3%   | 5<br>3%    | 4<br>2%    | 1<br>1%    | 1<br>1%    | 2<br>2%    | 1<br>1%   | 11<br>3%   | 5<br>1%    | 4<br>1%      | *          | 1<br>2%    | 4<br>2%    | 14<br>5%   | 1<br>*     | 18<br>4%   | 8<br>2%    | 7<br>2%    | 5<br>1%        | 9<br>3%               | 9<br>1%                        | 2<br>1%     | 18<br>2%    |
| 3                                  | 18<br>2%   | 8<br>1%    | 10<br>2%   | 6<br>3%   | 4<br>2%    | 4<br>2%    | 1<br>1%    | 1<br>*     | -          | 2<br>2%   | 10<br>3%   | 5<br>1%    | 3<br>1%      | 4<br>1%    | 6<br>2%    | 6<br>2%    | 2<br>1%    | 10<br>2%   | 8<br>2%    | 8<br>2%    | 6<br>1%    | 3<br>1%        | 7<br>2%               | 8<br>1%                        | 2<br>1%     | 18<br>2%    |
| 4                                  | 20<br>2%   | 12<br>2%   | 8<br>1%    | 8<br>4%   | 5<br>3%    | 4<br>2%    | 2<br>1%    | 1<br>*     | -          | -         | 13<br>4%   | 6<br>1%    | 1<br>*       | -          | 9<br>3%    | 1<br>1%    | 9<br>3%    | 9<br>1%    | 11<br>2%   | 5<br>1%    | 8<br>2%    | 7<br>2%        | 9<br>3%               | 9<br>1%                        | 2<br>1%     | 19<br>2%    |
| 5                                  | 79<br>7%   | 42<br>7%   | 37<br>6%   | 14<br>8%  | 23<br>13%  | 16<br>8%   | 12<br>6%   | 3<br>2%    | 8<br>7%    | 2<br>2%   | 38<br>11%  | 28<br>7%   | 13<br>3%     | 14<br>5%   | 22<br>7%   | 14<br>6%   | 28<br>10%  | 36<br>6%   | 43<br>8%   | 25<br>6%   | 28<br>7%   | 26<br>7%       | 25<br>8%              | 47<br>7%                       | 7<br>4%     | 83<br>7%    |
| 6                                  | 40<br>3%   | 23<br>4%   | 18<br>3%   | 14<br>8%  | 7<br>4%    | 5<br>2%    | 3<br>2%    | 5<br>3%    | 4<br>3%    | 3<br>3%   | 20<br>6%   | 8<br>2%    | 12<br>3%     | 10<br>3%   | 8<br>3%    | 14<br>6%   | 8<br>3%    | 18<br>3%   | 22<br>4%   | 16<br>4%   | 9<br>2%    | 15<br>4%       | 17<br>6%              | 18<br>3%                       | 5<br>3%     | 46<br>4%    |
| 7                                  | 47<br>4%   | 20<br>3%   | 27<br>5%   | 11<br>6%  | 4<br>2%    | 16<br>8%   | 6<br>3%    | 4<br>2%    | 2<br>2%    | 3<br>3%   | 16<br>4%   | 22<br>6%   | 9<br>2%      | 11<br>3%   | 13<br>4%   | 11<br>5%   | 13<br>4%   | 23<br>4%   | 24<br>5%   | 18<br>5%   | 17<br>4%   | 12<br>3%       | 15<br>5%              | 26<br>4%                       | 6<br>3%     | 49<br>4%    |
| 8                                  | 82<br>7%   | 45<br>8%   | 37<br>6%   | 18<br>10% | 22<br>12%  | 18<br>8%   | 9<br>5%    | 9<br>6%    | 5<br>5%    | 1<br>1%   | 40<br>11%  | 26<br>7%   | 16<br>4%     | 15<br>5%   | 24<br>7%   | 25<br>10%  | 18<br>7%   | 39<br>6%   | 43<br>8%   | 31<br>8%   | 22<br>5%   | 28<br>8%       | 37<br>12%             | 37<br>5%                       | 8<br>5%     | 73<br>6%    |
| 9                                  | 71<br>6%   | 35<br>6%   | 37<br>6%   | 7<br>4%   | 16<br>9%   | 13<br>6%   | 8<br>4%    | 19<br>11%  | 4<br>3%    | 4<br>4%   | 24<br>7%   | 21<br>5%   | 27<br>7%     | 26<br>8%   | 24<br>7%   | 11<br>5%   | 11<br>4%   | 50<br>8%   | 22<br>4%   | 20<br>5%   | 29<br>7%   | 23<br>6%       | 11<br>3%              | 49<br>7%                       | 11<br>7%    | 60<br>5%    |
| 10 (Absolutely certain to vote)    | 619<br>54% | 286<br>51% | 332<br>56% | 47<br>27% | 61<br>33%  | 99<br>46%  | 123<br>66% | 116<br>69% | 83<br>71%  | 89<br>80% | 108<br>30% | 222<br>55% | 289<br>72%   | 212<br>69% | 189<br>57% | 111<br>46% | 107<br>39% | 401<br>62% | 218<br>42% | 182<br>47% | 239<br>58% | 198<br>55%     | 112<br>37%            | 398<br>58%                     | 109<br>64%  | 627<br>54%  |
| Don't know                         | 20<br>2%   | 8<br>1%    | 11<br>2%   | 6<br>4%   | 5<br>3%    | 2<br>1%    | -          | 1<br>*     | 3<br>3%    | 3<br>2%   | 11<br>3%   | 2<br>*     | 6<br>2%      | 4<br>1%    | 4<br>1%    | 4<br>2%    | 8<br>3%    | 8<br>1%    | 12<br>2%   | 7<br>2%    | 10<br>2%   | 2<br>1%        | 9<br>3%               | 8<br>1%                        | 3<br>2%     | 18<br>2%    |
| Refused                            | 1<br>*     | -          | 1<br>*     | 1<br>*    | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -         | 1<br>*     | -          | -            | -          | 1<br>*     | -          | 1<br>*     | 1<br>*     | 1<br>*     | -          | 1<br>*     | -              | -                     | 1<br>*                         | -           | 2<br>*      |
| Mean score                         | 7.72       | 7.57       | 7.86       | 6.04      | 6.73       | 7.22       | 8.24       | 8.88       | 8.67       | 9.20      | 6.39       | 7.69       | 8.91         | 8.84       | 8.03       | 7.21       | 6.48       | 8.43       | 6.83       | 7.17       | 8.10       | 7.88           | 6.63                  | 8.03                           | 8.40        | 7.69        |
| Std dev                            | 3.210      | 3.256      | 3.162      | 3.464     | 3.373      | 3.409      | 3.045      | 2.371      | 2.602      | 2.116     | 3.430      | 3.281      | 2.377        | 2.313      | 2.986      | 3.421      | 3.643      | 2.710      | 3.554      | 3.495      | 2.968      | 3.080          | 3.484                 | 3.054                          | 2.848       | 3.231       |
| Std error                          | 0.095      | 0.139      | 0.130      | 0.302     | 0.238      | 0.239      | 0.256      | 0.182      | 0.208      | 0.183     | 0.188      | 0.177      | 0.111        | 0.156      | 0.160      | 0.215      | 0.205      | 0.114      | 0.149      | 0.169      | 0.164      | 0.159          | 0.207                 | 0.119                          | 0.204       | 0.096       |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
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Table 7

**Q.2 And how likely would you be to vote in an immediate general election, on a scale of 1 to 10, where 10 means you would be absolutely certain to vote, and 1 means that you would be absolutely certain not to vote?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education                |                   |                                |                  | Ethnicity  |            | GO Region  |           |           |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           | Unwtd total |            |             |
|------------------------------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|                                    | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/ CSE/ NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/ Masters /PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME        | South East | Eastern   | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland   |             |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156           | 425        | 109         | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548                      | 318               | 183                            | 258              | 274        | 1007       | 146        | 116       | 102       | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68        | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | 1156           | 520        | 109         | 527                   | 372        | 287                  | 253        | 423        | 522                      | 320               | 213                            | 287              | 219        | 1054       | 100        | 162       | 110       | 147        | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101        | 134        | 51        | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b> | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b>               | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                     | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b> | <b>703</b> | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b> | <b>72</b> | <b>86</b>  | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b> | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| 1 (Absolutely certain not to vote) | 140            | 56         | 10          | 74                    | 64         | 39                   | 8          | 52         | 83                       | 61                | 26                             | 14               | 21         | 129        | 10         | 15        | 11        | 14         | 7             | 13            | 4                        | 17         | 25         | 8         | 9           | 17         | 143         |
|                                    | 12%            | 11%        | 9%          | 14%                   | 17%        | 14%                  | 3%         | 12%        | 16%                      | 19%               | 12%                            | 5%               | 9%         | 12%        | 10%        | 9%        | 10%       | 9%         | 6%            | 13%           | 5%                       | 17%        | 19%        | 15%       | 15%         | 16%        | 12%         |
| 2                                  | 20             | 8          | 2           | 9                     | 7          | 8                    | -          | 15         | 5                        | 14                | 3                              | 1                | 2          | 19         | 1          | 3         | 1         | 3          | 1             | 2             | 2                        | 3          | 3          | 1         | 1           | *          | 18          |
|                                    | 2%             | 2%         | 2%          | 2%                    | 2%         | 3%                   | -          | 3%         | 1%                       | 4%                | 1%                             | *                | 1%         | 2%         | 1%         | 2%        | 1%        | 2%         | 1%            | 1%            | 2%                       | 3%         | 3%         | 2%        | 2%          | *          | 2%          |
| 3                                  | 18             | 10         | 3           | 4                     | 10         | 6                    | 4          | 4          | 9                        | 4                 | 1                              | 6                | 4          | 17         | 1          | 4         | -         | 2          | 1             | 1             | 2                        | 5          | -          | 2         | 1           | 1          | 18          |
|                                    | 2%             | 2%         | 3%          | 1%                    | 3%         | 2%                   | 2%         | 1%         | 2%                       | 1%                | 1%                             | 2%               | 2%         | 2%         | 1%         | 2%        | -         | 1%         | 1%            | 1%            | 2%                       | 5%         | -          | 4%        | 1%          | 1%         | 2%          |
| 4                                  | 20             | 10         | 4           | 6                     | 9          | 7                    | 2          | 9          | 9                        | 6                 | 9                              | *                | 2          | 16         | 4          | 4         | *         | 1          | 2             | 6             | 2                        | 1          | 2          | -         | -           | 1          | 19          |
|                                    | 2%             | 2%         | 3%          | 1%                    | 2%         | 2%                   | 1%         | 2%         | 2%                       | 2%                | 4%                             | *                | 1%         | 1%         | 4%         | 2%        | *         | 1%         | 2%            | 5%            | 2%                       | 1%         | 2%         | -         | -           | 1%         | 2%          |
| 5                                  | 79             | 41         | 9           | 29                    | 33         | 24                   | 9          | 31         | 42                       | 35                | 15                             | 10               | 13         | 70         | 8          | 13        | 11        | 7          | 8             | 7             | 4                        | 7          | 4          | 4         | 4           | 10         | 83          |
|                                    | 7%             | 8%         | 8%          | 6%                    | 9%         | 8%                   | 4%         | 7%         | 8%                       | 11%               | 7%                             | 3%               | 6%         | 7%         | 8%         | 8%        | 10%       | 5%         | 8%            | 6%            | 4%                       | 7%         | 3%         | 8%        | 7%          | 9%         | 7%          |
| 6                                  | 40             | 17         | 1           | 22                    | 15         | 13                   | 8          | 19         | 15                       | 11                | 16                             | 2                | 8          | 34         | 7          | 4         | 2         | 5          | *             | 7             | 3                        | 2          | 7          | 2         | 2           | 6          | 46          |
|                                    | 3%             | 3%         | 1%          | 4%                    | 4%         | 4%                   | 3%         | 4%         | 3%                       | 3%                | 7%                             | 1%               | 4%         | 3%         | 7%         | 2%        | 2%        | 3%         | *             | 7%            | 4%                       | 2%         | 5%         | 4%        | 4%          | 6%         | 4%          |
| 7                                  | 47             | 21         | 7           | 19                    | 17         | 13                   | 5          | 29         | 15                       | 14                | 15                             | 6                | 11         | 40         | 6          | 6         | 2         | 8          | 4             | 4             | 4                        | 4          | 6          | 2         | 1           | 6          | 49          |
|                                    | 4%             | 4%         | 7%          | 4%                    | 5%         | 4%                   | 2%         | 7%         | 3%                       | 4%                | 7%                             | 2%               | 5%         | 4%         | 6%         | 4%        | 2%        | 5%         | 4%            | 4%            | 5%                       | 4%         | 4%         | 4%        | 2%          | 6%         | 4%          |
| 8                                  | 82             | 35         | 13          | 34                    | 24         | 26                   | 11         | 38         | 35                       | 20                | 14                             | 29               | 12         | 72         | 10         | 1         | 8         | 18         | 4             | 4             | 11                       | 8          | 16         | 3         | 5           | 73         |             |
|                                    | 7%             | 7%         | 12%         | 6%                    | 6%         | 9%                   | 4%         | 9%         | 7%                       | 6%                | 6%                             | 10%              | 6%         | 7%         | 10%        | 1%        | 7%        | 12%        | 4%            | 4%            | 13%                      | 8%         | 12%        | 6%        | 9%          | 5%         | 6%          |
| 9                                  | 71             | 43         | 6           | 23                    | 20         | 14                   | 11         | 22         | 38                       | 14                | 13                             | 25               | 13         | 61         | 11         | 13        | 6         | 11         | 4             | 8             | 6                        | 4          | 10         | -         | 2           | 60         |             |
|                                    | 6%             | 8%         | 5%          | 4%                    | 5%         | 5%                   | 4%         | 5%         | 7%                       | 4%                | 6%                             | 9%               | 6%         | 6%         | 11%        | 8%        | 6%        | 8%         | 4%            | 8%            | 7%                       | 4%         | 8%         | -         | 4%          | 6%         | 5%          |
| 10 (Absolutely certain to vote)    | 619            | 269        | 49          | 300                   | 168        | 126                  | 190        | 195        | 262                      | 135               | 99                             | 189              | 127        | 580        | 38         | 97        | 66        | 69         | 73            | 52            | 48                       | 48         | 56         | 27        | 32          | 50         | 627         |
|                                    | 54%            | 52%        | 45%         | 57%                   | 45%        | 44%                  | 75%        | 46%        | 50%                      | 42%               | 46%                            | 66%              | 58%        | 55%        | 38%        | 60%       | 60%       | 47%        | 71%           | 50%           | 56%                      | 48%        | 42%        | 54%       | 56%         | 49%        | 54%         |
| Don't know                         | 20             | 7          | 5           | 7                     | 3          | 11                   | 3          | 10         | 9                        | 5                 | 4                              | 4                | 6          | 16         | 4          | 2         | 2         | 8          | -             | -             | -                        | 1          | 5          | 1         | 1           | -          | 18          |
|                                    | 2%             | 1%         | 5%          | 1%                    | 1%         | 4%                   | 1%         | 2%         | 2%                       | 2%                | 2%                             | 1%               | 3%         | 2%         | 4%         | 1%        | 2%        | 5%         | -             | -             | -                        | 1%         | 4%         | 2%        | 1%          | -          | 2%          |
| Refused                            | 1              | 1          | -           | *                     | 1          | -                    | -          | 1          | *                        | -                 | -                              | 1                | *          | -          | 1          | -         | -         | 1          | -             | -             | -                        | -          | -          | -         | -           | -          | 2           |
|                                    | *              | *          | -           | *                     | *          | -                    | -          | *          | *                        | -                 | -                              | *                | *          | -          | 1%         | -         | -         | 1%         | -             | -             | -                        | -          | -          | -         | -           | -          | *           |
| Mean score                         | 7.72           | 7.74       | 7.59        | 7.72                  | 7.01       | 7.19                 | 9.02       | 7.38       | 7.41                     | 6.68              | 7.42                           | 8.81             | 8.07       | 7.75       | 7.42       | 8.01      | 8.10      | 7.86       | 8.57          | 7.47          | 8.28                     | 7.00       | 7.13       | 7.31      | 7.60        | 7.31       | 7.69        |
| Std dev                            | 3.210          | 3.136      | 3.068       | 3.314                 | 3.499      | 3.345                | 2.171      | 3.254      | 3.418                    | 3.613             | 3.177                          | 2.367            | 3.001      | 3.229      | 3.011      | 3.098     | 3.022     | 2.999      | 2.684         | 3.261         | 2.630                    | 3.610      | 3.516      | 3.513     | 3.432       | 3.386      | 3.231       |
| Std error                          | 0.095          | 0.153      | 0.299       | 0.134                 | 0.186      | 0.222                | 0.154      | 0.156      | 0.147                    | 0.204             | 0.237                          | 0.149            | 0.183      | 0.102      | 0.255      | 0.290     | 0.301     | 0.282      | 0.266         | 0.312         | 0.312                    | 0.381      | 0.325      | 0.432     | 0.350       | 0.270      | 0.096       |

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Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Total      | Urbanity   |           |            | Interest in politics |                | Likelihood to vote |                | Political activism |              | Opinion on present system |                   | Knew local MP |            | Unwtd total |
|------------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|
|                                    |            | Urban      | Rural     | Mixed      | Interested           | Not interested | Certain to         | Certain not to | Activist           | Non-activist | Works well                | Needs improvement | Yes           | No         |             |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156       | 773        | 145       | 238        | 580                  | 569            | 627                | 143            | 160                | 996          | 327                       | 783               | 495           | 661        | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | 1156       | 784        | 136       | 235        | 611                  | 539            | 619                | 140            | 180                | 976          | 322                       | 793               | 511           | 645        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b> | <b>535</b> | <b>97</b> | <b>170</b> | <b>404</b>           | <b>394</b>     | <b>430</b>         | <b>96</b>      | <b>118</b>         | <b>684</b>   | <b>232</b>                | <b>543</b>        | <b>339</b>    | <b>464</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| 1 (Absolutely certain not to vote) | 140<br>12% | 92<br>12%  | 17<br>13% | 31<br>13%  | 34<br>6%             | 104<br>19%     | -<br>-             | 140<br>100%    | 8<br>5%            | 132<br>13%   | 25<br>8%                  | 105<br>13%        | 25<br>5%      | 115<br>18% | 143<br>12%  |
| 2                                  | 20<br>2%   | 13<br>2%   | 3<br>2%   | 4<br>2%    | 2<br>*               | 17<br>3%       | -<br>-             | -<br>-         | -<br>-             | 20<br>2%     | 5<br>1%                   | 15<br>2%          | 9<br>2%       | 11<br>2%   | 18<br>2%    |
| 3                                  | 18<br>2%   | 14<br>2%   | 3<br>2%   | 1<br>*     | 7<br>1%              | 11<br>2%       | -<br>-             | -<br>-         | 3<br>2%            | 15<br>2%     | 3<br>1%                   | 14<br>2%          | 4<br>1%       | 14<br>2%   | 18<br>2%    |
| 4                                  | 20<br>2%   | 14<br>2%   | 1<br>1%   | 5<br>2%    | 8<br>1%              | 12<br>2%       | -<br>-             | -<br>-         | *<br>2%            | 19<br>2%     | 6<br>2%                   | 14<br>2%          | 10<br>2%      | 10<br>2%   | 19<br>2%    |
| 5                                  | 79<br>7%   | 59<br>8%   | 8<br>6%   | 12<br>5%   | 20<br>3%             | 59<br>11%      | -<br>-             | -<br>-         | 5<br>3%            | 74<br>8%     | 15<br>5%                  | 59<br>7%          | 22<br>4%      | 57<br>9%   | 83<br>7%    |
| 6                                  | 40<br>3%   | 25<br>3%   | 2<br>2%   | 13<br>6%   | 16<br>3%             | 24<br>5%       | -<br>-             | -<br>-         | 2<br>1%            | 38<br>4%     | 16<br>5%                  | 24<br>3%          | 20<br>4%      | 20<br>3%   | 46<br>4%    |
| 7                                  | 47<br>4%   | 33<br>4%   | 6<br>4%   | 9<br>4%    | 20<br>3%             | 27<br>5%       | -<br>-             | -<br>-         | 1<br>1%            | 46<br>5%     | 14<br>4%                  | 31<br>4%          | 16<br>3%      | 31<br>5%   | 49<br>4%    |
| 8                                  | 82<br>7%   | 60<br>8%   | 7<br>5%   | 15<br>6%   | 34<br>6%             | 47<br>9%       | -<br>-             | -<br>-         | 10<br>6%           | 72<br>7%     | 35<br>11%                 | 45<br>6%          | 36<br>7%      | 46<br>7%   | 73<br>6%    |
| 9                                  | 71<br>6%   | 47<br>6%   | 10<br>7%  | 15<br>6%   | 42<br>7%             | 29<br>5%       | -<br>-             | -<br>-         | 9<br>5%            | 62<br>6%     | 22<br>7%                  | 49<br>6%          | 29<br>6%      | 42<br>7%   | 60<br>5%    |
| 10 (Absolutely certain to vote)    | 619<br>54% | 410<br>52% | 79<br>58% | 130<br>55% | 424<br>69%           | 193<br>36%     | 619<br>100%        | -<br>-         | 139<br>78%         | 479<br>49%   | 173<br>54%                | 431<br>54%        | 332<br>65%    | 287<br>44% | 627<br>54%  |
| Don't know                         | 20<br>2%   | 17<br>2%   | 1<br>1%   | 1<br>*     | 5<br>1%              | 14<br>3%       | -<br>-             | -<br>-         | 2<br>1%            | 18<br>2%     | 7<br>2%                   | 7<br>1%           | 7<br>1%       | 13<br>2%   | 18<br>2%    |
| Refused                            | 1<br>*     | 1<br>*     | -<br>-    | -<br>-     | -<br>-               | 1<br>*         | -<br>-             | -<br>-         | -<br>-             | 1<br>*       | -<br>-                    | 1<br>*            | 1<br>*        | *<br>*     | 2<br>*      |
| Mean score                         | 7.72       | 7.68       | 7.86      | 7.75       | 8.76                 | 6.52           | 10.00              | 1.00           | 9.10               | 7.46         | 8.10                      | 7.63              | 8.57          | 7.05       | 7.69        |
| Std dev                            | 3.210      | 3.199      | 3.262     | 3.229      | 2.478                | 3.529          | 0.000              | 0.000          | 2.233              | 3.298        | 2.827                     | 3.302             | 2.559         | 3.505      | 3.231       |
| Std error                          | 0.095      | 0.116      | 0.273     | 0.210      | 0.103                | 0.150          | 0.000              | 0.000          | 0.177              | 0.106        | 0.158                     | 0.119             | 0.116         | 0.138      | 0.096       |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 9

**Q.2 And how likely would you be to vote in an immediate general election, on a scale of 1 to 10, where 10 means you would be absolutely certain to vote, and 1 means that you would be absolutely certain not to vote?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Total      | Quiz score |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |              | Satisfaction with MPs in general |              | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |                     | Unwtd total |
|------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|--------------|--|------------|-----------------|---------------------|-------------|
|                                    |            | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9 | Satisfied                  | Dissatisfied | Satisfied                        | Dissatisfied | Agree                                  | Disagree   | Use internet    | Do not use internet |             |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156       | 210        | 463        | 483        | 459                        | 183          | 349                              | 502          | 438                                    | 450        | 762             | 394                 | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | 1156       | 187        | 470        | 499        | 444                        | 190          | 336                              | 515          | 427                                    | 474        | 826             | 330                 | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b> | <b>150</b> | <b>310</b> | <b>345</b> | <b>324</b>                 | <b>135</b>   | <b>264</b>                       | <b>330</b>   | <b>327</b>                             | <b>302</b> | <b>540</b>      | <b>269</b>          | <b>1156</b> |
| 1 (Absolutely certain not to vote) | 140<br>12% | 41<br>22%  | 67<br>14%  | 32<br>6%   | 25<br>6%                   | 29<br>15%    | 19<br>6%                         | 74<br>14%    | 37<br>9%                               | 75<br>16%  | 101<br>12%      | 38<br>12%           | 143<br>12%  |
| 2                                  | 20<br>2%   | 6<br>3%    | 12<br>3%   | 1<br>*     | 3<br>1%                    | 9<br>5%      | 2<br>1%                          | 12<br>2%     | 3<br>1%                                | 13<br>3%   | 9<br>1%         | 11<br>3%            | 18<br>2%    |
| 3                                  | 18<br>2%   | 7<br>4%    | 3<br>1%    | 8<br>2%    | 6<br>1%                    | 4<br>2%      | 4<br>1%                          | 7<br>1%      | 1<br>*                                 | 8<br>2%    | 12<br>1%        | 5<br>2%             | 18<br>2%    |
| 4                                  | 20<br>2%   | 4<br>2%    | 8<br>2%    | 8<br>2%    | 6<br>1%                    | 8<br>1%      | 3<br>1%                          | 10<br>2%     | 6<br>1%                                | 6<br>1%    | 18<br>2%        | 1<br>*              | 19<br>2%    |
| 5                                  | 79<br>7%   | 21<br>11%  | 32<br>7%   | 26<br>5%   | 16<br>4%                   | 15<br>8%     | 17<br>5%                         | 36<br>7%     | 18<br>4%                               | 40<br>9%   | 62<br>8%        | 17<br>5%            | 83<br>7%    |
| 6                                  | 40<br>3%   | 8<br>5%    | 21<br>4%   | 11<br>2%   | 15<br>3%                   | 5<br>3%      | 13<br>4%                         | 17<br>3%     | 15<br>3%                               | 15<br>3%   | 32<br>4%        | 9<br>3%             | 46<br>4%    |
| 7                                  | 47<br>4%   | 11<br>6%   | 17<br>4%   | 19<br>4%   | 14<br>3%                   | 7<br>3%      | 8<br>2%                          | 17<br>3%     | 14<br>3%                               | 22<br>5%   | 33<br>4%        | 14<br>4%            | 49<br>4%    |
| 8                                  | 82<br>7%   | 21<br>11%  | 39<br>8%   | 22<br>4%   | 34<br>8%                   | 7<br>4%      | 29<br>9%                         | 26<br>5%     | 23<br>5%                               | 33<br>7%   | 62<br>7%        | 20<br>6%            | 73<br>6%    |
| 9                                  | 71<br>6%   | 6<br>3%    | 34<br>7%   | 31<br>6%   | 26<br>6%                   | 5<br>2%      | 22<br>6%                         | 36<br>7%     | 25<br>6%                               | 31<br>7%   | 55<br>7%        | 16<br>5%            | 60<br>5%    |
| 10 (Absolutely certain to vote)    | 619<br>54% | 50<br>27%  | 231<br>49% | 337<br>68% | 291<br>66%                 | 106<br>56%   | 212<br>63%                       | 275<br>53%   | 276<br>65%                             | 226<br>48% | 426<br>52%      | 192<br>58%          | 627<br>54%  |
| Don't know                         | 20<br>2%   | 11<br>6%   | 5<br>1%    | 4<br>1%    | 6<br>1%                    | 2<br>1%      | 7<br>2%                          | 5<br>1%      | 8<br>2%                                | 4<br>1%    | 14<br>2%        | 6<br>2%             | 18<br>2%    |
| Refused                            | 1<br>*     | *<br>-     | -<br>-     | 1<br>*     | *<br>-                     | -<br>-       | *<br>-                           | -<br>-       | 1<br>*                                 | -<br>-     | 1<br>*          | *<br>-              | 2<br>*      |
| Mean score                         | 7.72       | 5.97       | 7.47       | 8.58       | 8.61                       | 7.31         | 8.55                             | 7.53         | 8.40                                   | 7.23       | 7.66            | 7.86                | 7.69        |
| Std dev                            | 3.210      | 3.522      | 3.333      | 2.637      | 2.543                      | 3.571        | 2.555                            | 3.388        | 2.839                                  | 3.448      | 3.196           | 3.245               | 3.231       |
| Std error                          | 0.095      | 0.250      | 0.156      | 0.120      | 0.120                      | 0.265        | 0.138                            | 0.152        | 0.137                                  | 0.163      | 0.117           | 0.165               | 0.096       |

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Table 10

**Q.2 And how likely would you be to vote in an immediate general election, on a scale of 1 to 10, where 10 means you would be absolutely certain to vote, and 1 means that you would be absolutely certain not to vote?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                    | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |             |
| Unweighted total                   | <b>1156</b>           | 163                      | 351                     | 386         | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146             | 228                   | 62              | 93                     | 287               | 102         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | <b>1156</b>           | 175                      | 373                     | 396         | 387                   | 116                | 157                   | 159             | 191                   | 66              | 92                     | 277               | 99          | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>            | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>              | <b>263</b>  | <b>290</b>            | <b>72</b>          | <b>101</b>            | <b>92</b>       | <b>160</b>            | <b>49</b>       | <b>66</b>              | <b>209</b>        | <b>63</b>   | <b>1156</b> |
| 1 (Absolutely certain not to vote) | <b>140</b><br>12%     | 12<br>7%                 | 29<br>8%                | 51<br>13%   | 59<br>15%             | 5<br>5%            | 2<br>1%               | 2<br>1%         | 9<br>5%               | *<br>1%         | 11<br>12%              | 55<br>20%         | 55<br>55%   | 143<br>12%  |
| 2                                  | <b>20</b><br>2%       | 2<br>1%                  | 4<br>1%                 | 10<br>2%    | 6<br>2%               | -                  | -                     | -               | 3<br>1%               | -               | *                      | 10<br>4%          | 6<br>7%     | 18<br>2%    |
| 3                                  | <b>18</b><br>2%       | -                        | 2<br>1%                 | 7<br>2%     | 9<br>2%               | 1<br>1%            | -                     | -               | 1<br>1%               | 2<br>3%         | -                      | 11<br>4%          | 3<br>3%     | 18<br>2%    |
| 4                                  | <b>20</b><br>2%       | 1<br>1%                  | 2<br>1%                 | 14<br>4%    | 3<br>1%               | -                  | -                     | -               | 4<br>2%               | -               | 7<br>8%                | 8<br>3%           | 1<br>1%     | 19<br>2%    |
| 5                                  | <b>79</b><br>7%       | 16<br>9%                 | 29<br>8%                | 27<br>7%    | 23<br>6%              | 2<br>2%            | 1<br>1%               | 6<br>4%         | 11<br>6%              | 9<br>14%        | 5<br>5%                | 36<br>13%         | 9<br>9%     | 83<br>7%    |
| 6                                  | <b>40</b><br>3%       | 2<br>1%                  | 10<br>3%                | 11<br>3%    | 19<br>5%              | 1<br>1%            | 3<br>2%               | 4<br>2%         | 5<br>3%               | 4<br>6%         | 7<br>8%                | 14<br>5%          | 2<br>2%     | 46<br>4%    |
| 7                                  | <b>47</b><br>4%       | 8<br>4%                  | 15<br>4%                | 10<br>3%    | 22<br>6%              | -                  | 4<br>2%               | 4<br>3%         | 4<br>2%               | 2<br>3%         | 6<br>6%                | 25<br>9%          | 3<br>3%     | 49<br>4%    |
| 8                                  | <b>82</b><br>7%       | 10<br>6%                 | 20<br>5%                | 30<br>8%    | 31<br>8%              | 8<br>7%            | 8<br>5%               | 8<br>5%         | 14<br>7%              | 4<br>7%         | 14<br>15%              | 24<br>9%          | 1<br>1%     | 73<br>6%    |
| 9                                  | <b>71</b><br>6%       | 13<br>7%                 | 20<br>5%                | 26<br>7%    | 25<br>6%              | 8<br>7%            | 9<br>6%               | 13<br>8%        | 10<br>5%              | 7<br>11%        | 9<br>10%               | 14<br>5%          | *<br>*      | 60<br>5%    |
| 10 (Absolutely certain to vote)    | <b>619</b><br>54%     | 108<br>62%               | 233<br>62%              | 204<br>51%  | 182<br>47%            | 87<br>76%          | 128<br>82%            | 122<br>77%      | 129<br>68%            | 36<br>55%       | 32<br>35%              | 68<br>24%         | 16<br>16%   | 627<br>54%  |
| Don't know                         | <b>20</b><br>2%       | 3<br>2%                  | 8<br>2%                 | 4<br>1%     | 8<br>2%               | 2<br>2%            | -                     | -               | 3<br>1%               | 1<br>1%         | 1<br>1%                | 11<br>4%          | 2<br>3%     | 18<br>2%    |
| Refused                            | <b>1</b><br>*         | -                        | -                       | 1<br>*      | -                     | -                  | 1<br>1%               | -               | -                     | -               | -                      | -                 | *<br>*      | 2<br>*      |
| Mean score                         | <b>7.72</b>           | 8.40                     | 8.31                    | 7.52        | 7.35                  | 9.17               | 9.54                  | 9.33            | 8.65                  | 8.46            | 7.25                   | 5.94              | 3.39        | 7.69        |
| Std dev                            | <b>3.210</b>          | 2.706                    | 2.823                   | 3.324       | 3.365                 | 2.131              | 1.326                 | 1.568           | 2.519                 | 2.184           | 3.028                  | 3.392             | 3.433       | 3.231       |
| Std error                          | <b>0.095</b>          | 0.214                    | 0.152                   | 0.171       | 0.166                 | 0.219              | 0.112                 | 0.130           | 0.168                 | 0.280           | 0.316                  | 0.203             | 0.349       | 0.096       |

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Table 11

### Q.3 Which, if any, of the things on this list have you done in the last two or three years?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Gender      |             | Age         |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             | Social class |             |             |             |             |             | Region      |             |             | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|  | Male        | Female      | 18-24       | 25-34       | 35-44       | 45-54       | 55-64       | 65-74       | 75+         | 18-34       | 35-54       | 55+         | AB           | C1          | C2          | DE          | ABC1        | C2DE        | North       | South       | Mid lands   | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| Unweighted total   | 1156        | 552         | 604         | 138         | 207         | 206         | 141         | 170         | 159         | 135         | 345         | 347         | 464          | 224         | 353         | 257         | 322         | 577         | 579         | 438         | 339         | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |
| Weighted total   | 1156        | 561         | 595         | 173         | 183         | 216         | 186         | 169         | 117         | 111         | 356         | 402         | 398          | 310         | 333         | 241         | 272         | 642         | 514         | 387         | 411         | 358            | 306                   | 681                            | 169         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>  | <b>801</b>  | <b>391</b>  | <b>410</b>  | <b>98</b>   | <b>145</b>  | <b>149</b>  | <b>105</b>  | <b>117</b>  | <b>135</b>  | <b>87</b>   | <b>236</b>  | <b>252</b>  | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b>  | <b>256</b>  | <b>191</b>  | <b>222</b>  | <b>401</b>  | <b>413</b>  | <b>312</b>  | <b>250</b>  | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| Voted in the last general election                                 | 564         | 266         | 298         | 28          | 61          | 98          | 108         | 107         | 83          | 78          | 89          | 207         | 268          | 195         | 171         | 95          | 103         | 366         | 198         | 166         | 220         | 178            | 76                    | 387                            | 102         | 575         |
|  | 49%         | 47%         | 50%         | 16%         | 33%         | 46%         | 58%         | 63%         | 71%         | 70%         | 25%         | 51%         | 67%          | 63%         | 51%         | 39%         | 38%         | 57%         | 39%         | 43%         | 53%         | 50%            | 25%                   | 57%                            | 60%         | 50%         |
| Helped on fund raising drives                                      | 313         | 133         | 180         | 33          | 47          | 53          | 76          | 50          | 34          | 21          | 80          | 128         | 105          | 136         | 85          | 43          | 49          | 221         | 92          | 88          | 131         | 93             | 55                    | 220                            | 38          | 282         |
|  | 27%         | 24%         | 30%         | 19%         | 25%         | 24%         | 41%         | 29%         | 29%         | 19%         | 22%         | 32%         | 26%          | 44%         | 25%         | 18%         | 18%         | 34%         | 18%         | 23%         | 32%         | 26%            | 18%                   | 32%                            | 22%         | 24%         |
| Urged someone outside my family to vote                            | 202         | 107         | 95          | 27          | 29          | 31          | 52          | 33          | 24          | 6           | 55          | 83          | 64           | 78          | 71          | 30          | 24          | 149         | 53          | 57          | 91          | 53             | 42                    | 132                            | 28          | 181         |
|  | 17%         | 19%         | 16%         | 15%         | 16%         | 14%         | 28%         | 20%         | 21%         | 5%          | 15%         | 21%         | 16%          | 25%         | 21%         | 12%         | 9%          | 23%         | 10%         | 15%         | 22%         | 15%            | 14%                   | 19%                            | 16%         | 16%         |
| Contacted/presented my views to a local councillor/MP/MSP/Welsh AM | 199         | 90          | 110         | 15          | 22          | 43          | 36          | 39          | 28          | 16          | 37          | 80          | 83           | 83          | 58          | 33          | 26          | 141         | 58          | 55          | 85          | 59             | 35                    | 132                            | 33          | 192         |
|  | 17%         | 16%         | 18%         | 9%          | 12%         | 20%         | 20%         | 23%         | 23%         | 14%         | 10%         | 20%         | 21%          | 27%         | 17%         | 14%         | 9%          | 22%         | 11%         | 14%         | 21%         | 17%            | 11%                   | 19%                            | 19%         | 17%         |
| Urged someone to get in touch with a local councillor or MP        | 169         | 75          | 93          | 8           | 16          | 33          | 39          | 43          | 22          | 6           | 25          | 73          | 71           | 80          | 46          | 26          | 16          | 126         | 42          | 56          | 73          | 39             | 21                    | 121                            | 26          | 164         |
|  | 15%         | 13%         | 16%         | 5%          | 9%          | 15%         | 21%         | 26%         | 19%         | 5%          | 7%          | 18%         | 18%          | 26%         | 14%         | 11%         | 6%          | 20%         | 8%          | 15%         | 18%         | 11%            | 7%                    | 18%                            | 16%         | 14%         |
| Made a speech before an organised group                            | 164         | 87          | 77          | 20          | 25          | 32          | 39          | 27          | 14          | 7           | 45          | 71          | 48           | 88          | 50          | 16          | 9           | 138         | 26          | 47          | 69          | 48             | 33                    | 111                            | 20          | 143         |
|  | 14%         | 16%         | 13%         | 11%         | 14%         | 15%         | 21%         | 16%         | 12%         | 6%          | 13%         | 18%         | 12%          | 28%         | 15%         | 7%          | 3%          | 21%         | 5%          | 12%         | 17%         | 13%            | 11%                   | 16%                            | 12%         | 12%         |
| Been an officer/office holder of an organisation or club           | 135         | 80          | 55          | 9           | 11          | 21          | 32          | 32          | 19          | 11          | 20          | 53          | 62           | 75          | 37          | 13          | 10          | 112         | 23          | 32          | 64          | 40             | 17                    | 101                            | 16          | 118         |
|  | 12%         | 14%         | 9%          | 5%          | 6%          | 10%         | 17%         | 19%         | 16%         | 10%         | 6%          | 13%         | 15%          | 24%         | 11%         | 6%          | 4%          | 17%         | 5%          | 8%          | 16%         | 11%            | 6%                    | 15%                            | 10%         | 10%         |
| Written a letter to an editor                                      | 65          | 41          | 23          | 5           | 6           | 15          | 11          | 12          | 8           | 6           | 11          | 26          | 27           | 34          | 15          | 10          | 6           | 49          | 16          | 9           | 29          | 27             | 13                    | 44                             | 8           | 58          |
|  | 6%          | 7%          | 4%          | 3%          | 3%          | 7%          | 6%          | 7%          | 7%          | 6%          | 3%          | 7%          | 7%           | 11%         | 4%          | 4%          | 2%          | 8%          | 3%          | 2%          | 7%          | 7%             | 4%                    | 6%                             | 5%          | 5%          |
| Taken an active part in a political campaign                       | 52          | 29          | 23          | 9           | 5           | 4           | 11          | 13          | 6           | 4           | 14          | 15          | 23           | 22          | 19          | 8           | 4           | 41          | 11          | 10          | 27          | 15             | 9                     | 33                             | 9           | 38          |
|  | 5%          | 5%          | 4%          | 5%          | 3%          | 2%          | 6%          | 8%          | 5%          | 4%          | 4%          | 4%          | 6%           | 7%          | 6%          | 3%          | 1%          | 6%          | 2%          | 3%          | 7%          | 4%             | 3%                    | 5%                             | 5%          | 3%          |
| Stood for public office  | 12          | 7           | 5           | 2           | 1           | -           | 4           | 2           | *           | 2           | 3           | 4           | 4            | 4           | 5           | 2           | 1           | 9           | 3           | 4           | 7           | 1              | 2                     | 7                              | 3           | 12          |
|  | 1%          | 1%          | 1%          | 1%          | 1%          | -           | 2%          | 1%          | *           | 2%          | 1%          | 1%          | 1%           | 1%          | 2%          | 1%          | *           | 1%          | 1%          | 1%          | 2%          | *              | 1%                    | 1%                             | 2%          | 1%          |
| <b>Any of these</b>  | <b>791</b>  | <b>367</b>  | <b>424</b>  | <b>71</b>   | <b>109</b>  | <b>140</b>  | <b>151</b>  | <b>139</b>  | <b>96</b>   | <b>85</b>   | <b>180</b>  | <b>291</b>  | <b>320</b>   | <b>258</b>  | <b>236</b>  | <b>144</b>  | <b>154</b>  | <b>494</b>  | <b>298</b>  | <b>239</b>  | <b>307</b>  | <b>245</b>     | <b>152</b>            | <b>514</b>                     | <b>126</b>  | <b>780</b>  |
|  | 68%         | 65%         | 71%         | 41%         | 60%         | 65%         | 81%         | 82%         | 82%         | 76%         | 51%         | 72%         | 80%          | 83%         | 71%         | 60%         | 56%         | 77%         | 58%         | 62%         | 75%         | 69%            | 50%                   | 75%                            | 74%         | 67%         |
| None of these  | 348         | 182         | 166         | 101         | 72          | 73          | 32          | 22          | 21          | 27          | 174         | 105         | 70           | 45          | 90          | 95          | 117         | 136         | 213         | 143         | 97          | 108            | 153                   | 154                            | 42          | 360         |
|  | 30%         | 32%         | 28%         | 59%         | 40%         | 34%         | 17%         | 13%         | 18%         | 24%         | 49%         | 26%         | 17%          | 15%         | 27%         | 40%         | 43%         | 21%         | 41%         | 37%         | 24%         | 30%            | 50%                   | 23%                            | 25%         | 31%         |
| Don't know   | 4           | 1           | 3           | -           | 1           | -           | -           | 2           | *           | *           | 1           | -           | 3            | 1           | -           | 1           | 2           | 1           | 3           | 1           | 2           | 1              | 1                     | 3                              | 1           | 7           |
|  | *           | *           | *           | -           | 1%          | -           | -           | 1%          | *           | *           | *           | -           | 1%           | *           | -           | *           | 1%          | *           | 1%          | 1%          | *           | 1%             | *                     | *                              | *           | 1%          |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>                                  | <b>2.55</b> | <b>2.72</b> | <b>2.39</b> | <b>2.34</b> | <b>2.37</b> | <b>2.56</b> | <b>3.02</b> | <b>2.67</b> | <b>2.53</b> | <b>1.87</b> | <b>2.36</b> | <b>2.79</b> | <b>2.42</b>  | <b>3.41</b> | <b>2.52</b> | <b>2.00</b> | <b>1.62</b> | <b>2.98</b> | <b>1.80</b> | <b>2.39</b> | <b>2.80</b> | <b>2.38</b>    | <b>2.21</b>           | <b>2.67</b>                    | <b>2.42</b> | <b>2.41</b> |
| Flown on business overseas   | 97          | 63          | 34          | 8           | 19          | 23          | 29          | 13          | 4           | 2           | 27          | 52          | 18           | 55          | 32          | 9           | *           | 87          | 10          | 26          | 49          | 23             | 22                    | 61                             | 14          | 77          |
|  | 8%          | 11%         | 6%          | 4%          | 10%         | 11%         | 15%         | 8%          | 3%          | 1%          | 7%          | 13%         | 5%           | 18%         | 10%         | 4%          | *           | 14%         | 2%          | 7%          | 12%         | 6%             | 7%                    | 9%                             | 8%          | 7%          |
| Flown on business trip within the UK                               | 75          | 51          | 24          | 5           | 17          | 11          | 26          | 15          | 2           | -           | 22          | 37          | 16           | 46          | 23          | 5           | 1           | 69          | 5           | 29          | 27          | 18             | 12                    | 53                             | 10          | 58          |
|  | 6%          | 9%          | 4%          | 3%          | 9%          | 5%          | 14%         | 9%          | 2%          | -           | 6%          | 9%          | 4%           | 15%         | 7%          | 2%          | *           | 11%         | 1%          | 7%          | 7%          | 5%             | 4%                    | 8%                             | 6%          | 5%          |

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Table 12

## Q.3 Which, if any, of the things on this list have you done in the last two or three years?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Total                    | Working status           |                         |                          | Children in household    |                          | Newspaper readership     |                          |                          | Education                |                          |                                |                          | Ethnicity                |                         | GO Region                |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                          |                         |                         |                         | Unwtd total             |                          |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
|  |                          | Full time                | Part time               | Not working              | Yes                      | No                       | Quality                  | Popular                  | None                     | GCSE/O-Level/ CSE/ NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv.        | Degree/ Masters /PhD or equiv. | No formal quals.         | White                    | BME                     | South East               | Eastern                 | London                  | South West              | West Midlands           | East Midlands           | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West              | North East              | Wales                   |                         | Scotland                 |
| Unweighted total   | 1156                     | 425                      | 109                     | 622                      | 360                      | 234                      | 201                      | 445                      | 548                      | 318                      | 183                      | 258                            | 274                      | 1007                     | 146                     | 116                      | 102                     | 121                     | 102                     | 109                     | 71                      | 91                       | 122                     | 68                      | 97                      | 157                     | 1156                     |
| Weighted total   | 1156                     | 520                      | 109                     | 527                      | 372                      | 287                      | 253                      | 423                      | 522                      | 320                      | 213                      | 287                            | 219                      | 1054                     | 100                     | 162                      | 110                     | 147                     | 103                     | 104                     | 87                      | 101                      | 134                     | 51                      | 58                      | 102                     | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>  | <b>801</b>               | <b>306</b>               | <b>78</b>               | <b>438</b>               | <b>245</b>               | <b>163</b>               | <b>143</b>               | <b>313</b>               | <b>382</b>               | <b>224</b>               | <b>123</b>               | <b>188</b>                     | <b>201</b>               | <b>703</b>               | <b>115</b>              | <b>90</b>                | <b>72</b>               | <b>86</b>               | <b>79</b>               | <b>75</b>               | <b>48</b>               | <b>71</b>                | <b>90</b>               | <b>51</b>               | <b>76</b>               | <b>118</b>              | <b>1156</b>              |
| Voted in the last general election                                 | 564<br>49%               | 251<br>48%               | 46<br>42%               | 266<br>50%               | 158<br>42%               | 110<br>38%               | 170<br>67%               | 180<br>43%               | 238<br>46%               | 128<br>40%               | 79<br>37%                | 177<br>62%                     | 112<br>51%               | 532<br>50%               | 31<br>31%               | 89<br>55%                | 40<br>36%               | 67<br>46%               | 64<br>62%               | 55<br>53%               | 47<br>55%               | 38<br>38%                | 45<br>33%               | 24<br>48%               | 36<br>63%               | 58<br>58%               | 575<br>50%               |
| Helped on fund raising drives                                      | 313<br>27%               | 162<br>31%               | 39<br>36%               | 112<br>21%               | 102<br>27%               | 71<br>25%                | 108<br>43%               | 84<br>20%                | 142<br>27%               | 71<br>22%                | 70<br>33%                | 113<br>39%                     | 30<br>14%                | 307<br>29%               | 5<br>5%                 | 73<br>45%                | 38<br>35%               | 24<br>16%               | 34<br>33%               | 22<br>21%               | 19<br>22%               | 24<br>24%                | 21<br>16%               | 15<br>29%               | 15<br>25%               | 28<br>28%               | 282<br>24%               |
| Urged someone outside my family to vote                            | 202<br>17%               | 115<br>22%               | 20<br>19%               | 66<br>13%                | 56<br>15%                | 50<br>17%                | 78<br>31%                | 56<br>13%                | 86<br>16%                | 31<br>10%                | 50<br>24%                | 89<br>31%                      | 12<br>6%                 | 193<br>18%               | 9<br>9%                 | 38<br>23%                | 18<br>16%               | 24<br>16%               | 30<br>30%               | 11<br>11%               | 13<br>15%               | 17<br>17%                | 20<br>15%               | 8<br>16%                | 12<br>20%               | 12<br>12%               | 181<br>16%               |
| Contacted/presented my views to a local councillor/MP/MSP/Welsh AM | 199<br>17%               | 98<br>19%                | 18<br>17%               | 83<br>16%                | 61<br>16%                | 33<br>11%                | 74<br>29%                | 60<br>14%                | 78<br>15%                | 30<br>9%                 | 30<br>14%                | 93<br>32%                      | 24<br>11%                | 193<br>18%               | 6<br>6%                 | 47<br>29%                | 24<br>22%               | 20<br>13%               | 19<br>18%               | 12<br>12%               | 13<br>15%               | 13<br>13%                | 13<br>10%               | 11<br>21%               | 11<br>18%               | 19<br>18%               | 192<br>17%               |
| Urged someone to get in touch with a local councillor or MP        | 169<br>15%               | 87<br>17%                | 18<br>17%               | 63<br>12%                | 49<br>13%                | 32<br>11%                | 67<br>27%                | 43<br>10%                | 71<br>14%                | 24<br>7%                 | 26<br>12%                | 85<br>30%                      | 13<br>6%                 | 164<br>16%               | 5<br>5%                 | 38<br>24%                | 17<br>15%               | 18<br>12%               | 17<br>17%               | 6<br>6%                 | 7<br>9%                 | 9<br>9%                  | 15<br>11%               | 10<br>21%               | 9<br>15%                | 22<br>22%               | 164<br>14%               |
| Made a speech before an organised group                            | 164<br>14%               | 103<br>20%               | 15<br>13%               | 46<br>9%                 | 44<br>12%                | 34<br>12%                | 82<br>32%                | 40<br>9%                 | 63<br>12%                | 16<br>5%                 | 41<br>19%                | 81<br>28%                      | 7<br>3%                  | 159<br>15%               | 4<br>4%                 | 33<br>20%                | 21<br>19%               | 19<br>13%               | 17<br>17%               | 11<br>11%               | 9<br>10%                | 11<br>11%                | 12<br>9%                | 7<br>13%                | 7<br>13%                | 17<br>17%               | 143<br>12%               |
| Been an officer/office holder of an organisation or club           | 135<br>12%               | 62<br>12%                | 16<br>15%               | 57<br>11%                | 33<br>9%                 | 30<br>11%                | 65<br>26%                | 17<br>4%                 | 57<br>11%                | 12<br>4%                 | 21<br>10%                | 84<br>29%                      | 9<br>4%                  | 134<br>13%               | 1<br>1%                 | 32<br>20%                | 15<br>13%               | 20<br>13%               | 13<br>12%               | 13<br>12%               | 5<br>5%                 | 10<br>9%                 | 5<br>4%                 | 6<br>12%                | 7<br>13%                | 11<br>11%               | 118<br>10%               |
| Written a letter to an editor                                      | 65<br>6%                 | 36<br>7%                 | 3<br>3%                 | 26<br>5%                 | 19<br>5%                 | 10<br>4%                 | 29<br>11%                | 24<br>6%                 | 22<br>4%                 | 14<br>4%                 | 8<br>4%                  | 32<br>11%                      | 6<br>3%                  | 61<br>6%                 | 4<br>4%                 | 16<br>10%                | 12<br>11%               | 9<br>6%                 | 4<br>4%                 | 4<br>4%                 | 7<br>8%                 | 2<br>2%                  | 1<br>1%                 | 1<br>2%                 | 3<br>6%                 | 5<br>5%                 | 58<br>5%                 |
| Taken an active part in a political campaign                       | 52<br>5%                 | 24<br>5%                 | 6<br>5%                 | 22<br>4%                 | 8<br>2%                  | 11<br>4%                 | 33<br>13%                | 9<br>2%                  | 15<br>3%                 | 7<br>2%                  | 9<br>4%                  | 32<br>11%                      | -<br>-                   | 51<br>5%                 | -<br>-                  | 12<br>8%                 | 5<br>5%                 | 10<br>7%                | 5<br>5%                 | 7<br>6%                 | 2<br>2%                 | 3<br>3%                  | -<br>-                  | 1<br>2%                 | 1<br>2%                 | 6<br>5%                 | 38<br>3%                 |
| Stood for public office  | 12<br>1%                 | 4<br>1%                  | 1<br>1%                 | 7<br>1%                  | 1<br>*                   | 2<br>1%                  | 6<br>2%                  | 7<br>2%                  | 2<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | 2<br>1%                  | 6<br>2%                        | 2<br>1%                  | 11<br>1%                 | 1<br>1%                 | 4<br>3%                  | 1<br>1%                 | 1<br>1%                 | 1<br>1%                 | -<br>-                  | -<br>-                  | 1<br>1%                  | 2<br>1%                 | *<br>1%                 | *<br>1%                 | 1<br>1%                 | 12<br>1%                 |
| <b>Any of these</b>  | <b>791</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>372</b><br><b>71%</b> | <b>78</b><br><b>71%</b> | <b>342</b><br><b>65%</b> | <b>231</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>173</b><br><b>60%</b> | <b>225</b><br><b>89%</b> | <b>257</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>348</b><br><b>67%</b> | <b>185</b><br><b>58%</b> | <b>141</b><br><b>66%</b> | <b>240</b><br><b>84%</b>       | <b>139</b><br><b>63%</b> | <b>753</b><br><b>71%</b> | <b>38</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>135</b><br><b>83%</b> | <b>77</b><br><b>70%</b> | <b>90</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>83</b><br><b>81%</b> | <b>71</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>53</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>59</b><br><b>58%</b>  | <b>69</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>36</b><br><b>71%</b> | <b>44</b><br><b>76%</b> | <b>76</b><br><b>74%</b> | <b>780</b><br><b>67%</b> |
| None of these  | 348<br>30%               | 136<br>26%               | 31<br>28%               | 181<br>34%               | 136<br>36%               | 108<br>38%               | 22<br>9%                 | 162<br>38%               | 167<br>32%               | 132<br>41%               | 64<br>30%                | 42<br>15%                      | 80<br>37%                | 290<br>28%               | 57<br>57%               | 24<br>15%                | 33<br>30%               | 53<br>36%               | 19<br>19%               | 32<br>31%               | 29<br>34%               | 41<br>40%                | 65<br>49%               | 14<br>27%               | 14<br>24%               | 23<br>23%               | 360<br>31%               |
| Don't know   | 4<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | 1<br>1%                 | 2<br>*                   | *<br>*                   | 1<br>1%                  | 1<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | 2<br>*                   | -<br>-                   | 2<br>1%                  | 1<br>*                         | *<br>*                   | 2<br>*                   | 2<br>2%                 | 1<br>1%                  | -<br>-                  | 1<br>1%                 | -<br>-                  | 1<br>1%                 | -<br>-                  | -<br>-                   | -<br>-                  | -<br>-                  | -<br>-                  | 1<br>1%                 | 7<br>1%                  |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>                                  | <b>2.55</b>              | <b>2.84</b>              | <b>2.47</b>             | <b>2.24</b>              | <b>2.45</b>              | <b>2.37</b>              | <b>3.44</b>              | <b>2.22</b>              | <b>2.37</b>              | <b>1.90</b>              | <b>2.48</b>              | <b>3.68</b>                    | <b>1.58</b>              | <b>2.59</b>              | <b>1.75</b>             | <b>3.11</b>              | <b>2.66</b>             | <b>2.58</b>             | <b>2.53</b>             | <b>2.04</b>             | <b>2.34</b>             | <b>2.25</b>              | <b>2.13</b>             | <b>2.42</b>             | <b>2.52</b>             | <b>2.70</b>             | <b>2.41</b>              |
| Flown on business overseas   | 97<br>8%                 | 76<br>15%                | 6<br>6%                 | 14<br>3%                 | 31<br>8%                 | 21<br>7%                 | 43<br>17%                | 29<br>7%                 | 37<br>7%                 | 13<br>4%                 | 15<br>7%                 | 61<br>21%                      | 1<br>*                   | 90<br>9%                 | 7<br>7%                 | 23<br>14%                | 9<br>8%                 | 21<br>14%               | 5<br>5%                 | 3<br>3%                 | 6<br>7%                 | 4<br>4%                  | 7<br>6%                 | 2<br>2%                 | 4<br>7%                 | 12<br>12%               | 77<br>7%                 |
| Flown on business trip within the UK                               | 75<br>6%                 | 65<br>13%                | 3<br>3%                 | 7<br>1%                  | 16<br>4%                 | 15<br>5%                 | 37<br>15%                | 26<br>6%                 | 26<br>5%                 | 10<br>3%                 | 14<br>7%                 | 42<br>15%                      | 2<br>1%                  | 75<br>7%                 | -<br>-                  | 19<br>12%                | 7<br>6%                 | 6<br>4%                 | 3<br>3%                 | 1<br>1%                 | 6<br>7%                 | 2<br>2%                  | 6<br>4%                 | 4<br>8%                 | 5<br>8%                 | 17<br>17%               | 58<br>5%                 |

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Number of sample points : 210  
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Table 13

### Q.3 Which, if any, of the things on this list have you done in the last two or three years?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Urbanity                 |                          |                         | Interest in politics     |                          | Likelihood to vote       |                          | Political activism      |                           | Opinion on present system |                          | Knew local MP            |                          | Unwtd total              |                          |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|  | Total                    | Urban                    | Rural                   | Mixed                    | Interested               | Not interested           | Certain to               | Certain not to          | Activist                  | Non-activist              | Works well               | Needs improvement        | Yes                      |                          | No                       |
| Unweighted total   | 1156                     | 773                      | 145                     | 238                      | 580                      | 569                      | 627                      | 143                     | 160                       | 996                       | 327                      | 783                      | 495                      | 661                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total   | 1156                     | 784                      | 136                     | 235                      | 611                      | 539                      | 619                      | 140                     | 180                       | 976                       | 322                      | 793                      | 511                      | 645                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>  | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b>               | <b>97</b>               | <b>170</b>               | <b>404</b>               | <b>394</b>               | <b>430</b>               | <b>96</b>               | <b>118</b>                | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b>               | <b>543</b>               | <b>339</b>               | <b>464</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Voted in the last general election                                 | 564<br>49%               | 368<br>47%               | 66<br>49%               | 129<br>55%               | 369<br>60%               | 194<br>36%               | 419<br>68%               | 12<br>9%                | 130<br>72%                | 434<br>44%                | 140<br>43%               | 409<br>52%               | 302<br>59%               | 262<br>41%               | 575<br>50%               |
| Helped on fund raising drives                                      | 313<br>27%               | 191<br>24%               | 54<br>39%               | 68<br>29%                | 219<br>36%               | 94<br>17%                | 203<br>33%               | 24<br>17%               | 102<br>57%                | 211<br>22%                | 72<br>22%                | 239<br>30%               | 152<br>30%               | 161<br>25%               | 282<br>24%               |
| Urged someone outside my family to vote                            | 202<br>17%               | 142<br>18%               | 21<br>16%               | 39<br>16%                | 170<br>28%               | 32<br>6%                 | 156<br>25%               | 5<br>4%                 | 87<br>49%                 | 115<br>12%                | 68<br>21%                | 134<br>17%               | 109<br>21%               | 93<br>14%                | 181<br>16%               |
| Contacted/presented my views to a local councillor/MP/MSP/Welsh AM | 199<br>17%               | 135<br>17%               | 24<br>18%               | 40<br>17%                | 157<br>26%               | 42<br>8%                 | 150<br>24%               | 11<br>8%                | 122<br>68%                | 78<br>8%                  | 55<br>17%                | 144<br>18%               | 125<br>24%               | 75<br>12%                | 192<br>17%               |
| Urged someone to get in touch with a local councillor or MP        | 169<br>15%               | 105<br>13%               | 28<br>21%               | 35<br>15%                | 136<br>22%               | 33<br>6%                 | 123<br>20%               | 8<br>6%                 | 122<br>68%                | 46<br>5%                  | 47<br>15%                | 122<br>15%               | 94<br>18%                | 75<br>12%                | 164<br>14%               |
| Made a speech before an organised group                            | 164<br>14%               | 119<br>15%               | 18<br>13%               | 27<br>11%                | 127<br>21%               | 35<br>7%                 | 110<br>18%               | 13<br>9%                | 78<br>44%                 | 85<br>9%                  | 44<br>14%                | 119<br>15%               | 80<br>16%                | 84<br>13%                | 143<br>12%               |
| Been an officer/office holder of an organisation or club           | 135<br>12%               | 96<br>12%                | 13<br>10%               | 26<br>11%                | 107<br>17%               | 28<br>5%                 | 105<br>17%               | 5<br>3%                 | 56<br>31%                 | 79<br>8%                  | 40<br>13%                | 95<br>12%                | 90<br>18%                | 45<br>7%                 | 118<br>10%               |
| Written a letter to an editor                                      | 65<br>6%                 | 47<br>6%                 | 5<br>4%                 | 13<br>6%                 | 60<br>10%                | 4<br>1%                  | 49<br>8%                 | 3<br>2%                 | 45<br>25%                 | 20<br>2%                  | 18<br>5%                 | 47<br>6%                 | 45<br>9%                 | 20<br>3%                 | 58<br>5%                 |
| Taken an active part in a political campaign                       | 52<br>5%                 | 40<br>5%                 | 6<br>4%                 | 6<br>3%                  | 48<br>8%                 | 4<br>1%                  | 41<br>7%                 | 2<br>2%                 | 45<br>25%                 | 7<br>1%                   | 15<br>5%                 | 34<br>4%                 | 33<br>6%                 | 19<br>3%                 | 38<br>3%                 |
| Stood for public office  | 12<br>1%                 | 11<br>1%                 | -                       | 1<br>*                   | 12<br>2%                 | -                        | 7<br>1%                  | 1<br>1%                 | 9<br>5%                   | 3<br>*                    | 4<br>1%                  | 8<br>1%                  | 9<br>2%                  | 2<br>*                   | 12<br>1%                 |
| <b>Any of these</b>  | <b>791</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>532</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>97</b><br><b>71%</b> | <b>162</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>501</b><br><b>82%</b> | <b>289</b><br><b>54%</b> | <b>527</b><br><b>85%</b> | <b>44</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>180</b><br><b>100%</b> | <b>612</b><br><b>63%</b>  | <b>210</b><br><b>65%</b> | <b>561</b><br><b>71%</b> | <b>395</b><br><b>77%</b> | <b>396</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>780</b><br><b>67%</b> |
| None of these  | 348<br>30%               | 245<br>31%               | 33<br>24%               | 70<br>30%                | 100<br>16%               | 243<br>45%               | 89<br>14%                | 93<br>66%               | -                         | 348<br>36%                | 104<br>32%               | 224<br>28%               | 108<br>21%               | 240<br>37%               | 360<br>31%               |
| Don't know   | 4<br>*                   | 3<br>*                   | -                       | 1<br>*                   | 2<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | 2<br>*                   | -                       | -                         | 4<br>*                    | 1<br>*                   | 2<br>*                   | 2<br>*                   | 2<br>*                   | 7<br>1%                  |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>                                  | <b>2.55</b>              | <b>2.57</b>              | <b>2.53</b>             | <b>2.49</b>              | <b>3.05</b>              | <b>1.67</b>              | <b>2.82</b>              | <b>2.02</b>             | <b>4.82</b>               | <b>1.89</b>               | <b>2.54</b>              | <b>2.60</b>              | <b>2.78</b>              | <b>2.31</b>              | <b>2.41</b>              |
| Flown on business overseas   | 97<br>8%                 | 74<br>9%                 | 10<br>7%                | 13<br>5%                 | 82<br>13%                | 15<br>3%                 | 70<br>11%                | 8<br>5%                 | 38<br>21%                 | 58<br>6%                  | 25<br>8%                 | 69<br>9%                 | 41<br>8%                 | 56<br>9%                 | 77<br>7%                 |
| Flown on business trip within the UK                               | 75<br>6%                 | 48<br>6%                 | 15<br>11%               | 12<br>5%                 | 66<br>11%                | 9<br>2%                  | 55<br>9%                 | 3<br>2%                 | 31<br>17%                 | 43<br>4%                  | 22<br>7%                 | 53<br>7%                 | 34<br>7%                 | 41<br>6%                 | 58<br>5%                 |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
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Table 14

### Q.3 Which, if any, of the things on this list have you done in the last two or three years?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Quiz score               |                         |                          | Satisfaction with local MP |                          | Satisfaction with MPs in general |                          | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |                          | Use of internet          |                          | Unwtd total              |                          |
|--|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|  | Total                    | Scored 0-3              | Scored 4-6               | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                           | Agree                    | Disagree                 | Use internet             |                          | Do not use internet      |
| Unweighted total   | 1156                     | 210                     | 463                      | 483                        | 459                      | 183                              | 349                      | 502                                    | 438                      | 450                      | 762                      | 394                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total   | 1156                     | 187                     | 470                      | 499                        | 444                      | 190                              | 336                      | 515                                    | 427                      | 474                      | 826                      | 330                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>  | <b>801</b>               | <b>150</b>              | <b>310</b>               | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b>               | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b>               | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b>               | <b>302</b>               | <b>540</b>               | <b>269</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Voted in the last general election                                 | 564<br>49%               | 44<br>24%               | 204<br>44%               | 315<br>63%                 | 265<br>60%               | 85<br>45%                        | 180<br>54%               | 266<br>52%                             | 215<br>48%               | 220<br>46%               | 399<br>48%               | 165<br>50%               | 575<br>50%               |
| Helped on fund raising drives                                      | 313<br>27%               | 20<br>10%               | 102<br>22%               | 191<br>38%                 | 143<br>32%               | 47<br>25%                        | 102<br>30%               | 125<br>24%                             | 134<br>31%               | 120<br>25%               | 256<br>31%               | 57<br>17%                | 282<br>24%               |
| Urged someone outside my family to vote                            | 202<br>17%               | 8<br>4%                 | 62<br>13%                | 132<br>26%                 | 94<br>21%                | 32<br>17%                        | 76<br>23%                | 76<br>15%                              | 108<br>25%               | 59<br>12%                | 173<br>21%               | 29<br>9%                 | 181<br>16%               |
| Contacted/presented my views to a local councillor/MP/MSP/Welsh AM | 199<br>17%               | 9<br>5%                 | 43<br>9%                 | 148<br>30%                 | 105<br>24%               | 37<br>20%                        | 67<br>20%                | 79<br>15%                              | 91<br>21%                | 68<br>14%                | 165<br>20%               | 35<br>11%                | 192<br>17%               |
| Urged someone to get in touch with a local councillor or MP        | 169<br>15%               | 3<br>2%                 | 40<br>8%                 | 126<br>25%                 | 78<br>18%                | 34<br>18%                        | 52<br>16%                | 71<br>14%                              | 69<br>16%                | 62<br>13%                | 149<br>18%               | 19<br>6%                 | 164<br>14%               |
| Made a speech before an organised group                            | 164<br>14%               | 4<br>2%                 | 41<br>9%                 | 118<br>24%                 | 66<br>15%                | 24<br>13%                        | 67<br>20%                | 58<br>11%                              | 63<br>15%                | 76<br>16%                | 151<br>18%               | 13<br>4%                 | 143<br>12%               |
| Been an officer/office holder of an organisation or club           | 135<br>12%               | *<br>*                  | 25<br>5%                 | 110<br>22%                 | 64<br>14%                | 27<br>14%                        | 54<br>16%                | 52<br>10%                              | 56<br>13%                | 63<br>13%                | 120<br>15%               | 15<br>4%                 | 118<br>10%               |
| Written a letter to an editor                                      | 65<br>6%                 | 4<br>2%                 | 11<br>2%                 | 50<br>10%                  | 33<br>8%                 | 17<br>9%                         | 28<br>8%                 | 23<br>5%                               | 27<br>6%                 | 28<br>6%                 | 54<br>7%                 | 11<br>3%                 | 58<br>5%                 |
| Taken an active part in a political campaign                       | 52<br>5%                 | -<br>-                  | 9<br>2%                  | 43<br>9%                   | 26<br>6%                 | 10<br>5%                         | 26<br>8%                 | 15<br>3%                               | 24<br>6%                 | 21<br>4%                 | 45<br>6%                 | 7<br>2%                  | 38<br>3%                 |
| Stood for public office  | 12<br>1%                 | *<br>*                  | 3<br>1%                  | 8<br>2%                    | 8<br>2%                  | *<br>*                           | 8<br>3%                  | 2<br>*                                 | 6<br>1%                  | 5<br>1%                  | 8<br>1%                  | 4<br>1%                  | 12<br>1%                 |
| <b>Any of these</b>  | <b>791</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>73</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>296</b><br><b>63%</b> | <b>423</b><br><b>85%</b>   | <b>335</b><br><b>75%</b> | <b>128</b><br><b>67%</b>         | <b>238</b><br><b>71%</b> | <b>358</b><br><b>70%</b>               | <b>299</b><br><b>70%</b> | <b>323</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>586</b><br><b>71%</b> | <b>206</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>780</b><br><b>67%</b> |
| None of these  | 348<br>30%               | 112<br>60%              | 167<br>36%               | 69<br>14%                  | 102<br>23%               | 61<br>32%                        | 94<br>28%                | 146<br>28%                             | 126<br>29%               | 143<br>30%               | 226<br>27%               | 122<br>37%               | 360<br>31%               |
| Don't know   | 4<br>*                   | 2<br>1%                 | 1<br>*                   | 1<br>*                     | 2<br>1%                  | 1<br>*                           | 2<br>1%                  | 2<br>*                                 | 1<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | 2<br>*                   | 2<br>1%                  | 7<br>1%                  |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>                                  | <b>2.55</b>              | <b>1.29</b>             | <b>1.93</b>              | <b>3.19</b>                | <b>2.80</b>              | <b>2.63</b>                      | <b>3.02</b>              | <b>2.26</b>                            | <b>2.91</b>              | <b>2.36</b>              | <b>2.83</b>              | <b>1.73</b>              | <b>2.41</b>              |
| Flown on business overseas   | 97<br>8%                 | 1<br>*                  | 22<br>5%                 | 74<br>15%                  | 42<br>9%                 | 16<br>9%                         | 36<br>11%                | 32<br>6%                               | 51<br>12%                | 31<br>7%                 | 96<br>12%                | 1<br>*                   | 77<br>7%                 |
| Flown on business trip within the UK                               | 75<br>6%                 | -<br>-                  | 20<br>4%                 | 55<br>11%                  | 24<br>5%                 | 9<br>5%                          | 27<br>8%                 | 29<br>6%                               | 33<br>8%                 | 27<br>6%                 | 75<br>9%                 | -<br>-                   | 58<br>5%                 |

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Table 15

### Q.3 Which, if any, of the things on this list have you done in the last two or three years?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Total                    | Seat marginality         |                          |                          |                          | Segment                   |                          |                          |                          |                         |                         |                          |                       | Unwtd total              |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
|  |                          | Less than 5% majority    | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%)  | Safe (>20%)              | Politically committed     | Active campaigners       | Interested bystanders    | Detached cynics          | Politically contented   | Bored/apathetic         | Disengaged/mistrustful   | Alienated/hostile     |                          |
| Unweighted total   | 1156                     | 163                      | 351                      | 386                      | 419                      | 96                        | 142                      | 146                      | 228                      | 62                      | 93                      | 287                      | 102                   | 1156                     |
| Weighted total   | 1156                     | 175                      | 373                      | 396                      | 387                      | 116                       | 157                      | 159                      | 191                      | 66                      | 92                      | 277                      | 99                    | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>  | <b>801</b>               | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>               | <b>263</b>               | <b>290</b>               | <b>72</b>                 | <b>101</b>               | <b>92</b>                | <b>160</b>               | <b>49</b>               | <b>66</b>               | <b>209</b>               | <b>63</b>             | <b>1156</b>              |
| Voted in the last general election                                 | 564<br>49%               | 89<br>51%                | 199<br>53%               | 190<br>48%               | 175<br>45%               | 76<br>66%                 | 138<br>88%               | 124<br>78%               | 182<br>95%               | 40<br>60%               | -<br>-                  | 4<br>2%                  | -<br>-                | 575<br>50%               |
| Helped on fund raising drives                                      | 313<br>27%               | 63<br>36%                | 113<br>30%               | 108<br>27%               | 92<br>24%                | 82<br>71%                 | 71<br>45%                | 46<br>29%                | 11<br>6%                 | 37<br>56%               | 5<br>6%                 | 61<br>22%                | -<br>-                | 282<br>24%               |
| Urged someone outside my family to vote                            | 202<br>17%               | 50<br>29%                | 91<br>24%                | 62<br>16%                | 49<br>13%                | 48<br>41%                 | 96<br>61%                | 27<br>17%                | 8<br>4%                  | 6<br>9%                 | -<br>-                  | 17<br>6%                 | -<br>-                | 181<br>16%               |
| Contacted/presented my views to a local councillor/MP/MSP/Welsh AM | 199<br>17%               | 33<br>19%                | 79<br>21%                | 73<br>19%                | 47<br>12%                | 80<br>69%                 | 50<br>32%                | 10<br>6%                 | 35<br>19%                | 5<br>8%                 | 2<br>3%                 | 11<br>4%                 | 5<br>5%               | 192<br>17%               |
| Urged someone to get in touch with a local councillor or MP        | 169<br>15%               | 37<br>21%                | 64<br>17%                | 65<br>16%                | 40<br>10%                | 77<br>67%                 | 49<br>31%                | 10<br>6%                 | 11<br>6%                 | *<br>1%                 | 1<br>2%                 | 19<br>7%                 | 1<br>1%               | 164<br>14%               |
| Made a speech before an organised group                            | 164<br>14%               | 32<br>18%                | 55<br>15%                | 60<br>15%                | 48<br>13%                | 77<br>67%                 | 34<br>21%                | 13<br>8%                 | 2<br>1%                  | 11<br>17%               | 1<br>1%                 | 26<br>9%                 | -<br>-                | 143<br>12%               |
| Been an officer/office holder of an organisation or club           | 135<br>12%               | 31<br>18%                | 54<br>14%                | 47<br>12%                | 35<br>9%                 | 67<br>58%                 | 23<br>14%                | 11<br>7%                 | 3<br>1%                  | 25<br>38%               | 1<br>1%                 | 5<br>2%                  | 1<br>1%               | 118<br>10%               |
| Written a letter to an editor                                      | 65<br>6%                 | 16<br>9%                 | 23<br>6%                 | 23<br>6%                 | 18<br>5%                 | 32<br>28%                 | 18<br>12%                | 4<br>3%                  | 3<br>2%                  | 2<br>3%                 | 2<br>2%                 | 4<br>1%                  | -<br>-                | 58<br>5%                 |
| Taken an active part in a political campaign                       | 52<br>5%                 | 9<br>5%                  | 22<br>6%                 | 22<br>6%                 | 8<br>2%                  | 30<br>26%                 | 5<br>3%                  | 12<br>7%                 | -<br>-                   | 1<br>1%                 | -<br>-                  | 4<br>2%                  | -<br>-                | 38<br>3%                 |
| Stood for public office  | 12<br>1%                 | *<br>1%                  | 2<br>1%                  | 6<br>2%                  | 4<br>1%                  | 8<br>7%                   | 1<br>1%                  | 1<br>1%                  | -<br>-                   | -<br>-                  | 2<br>2%                 | *<br>*                   | -<br>-                | 12<br>1%                 |
| <b>Any of these</b>  | <b>791</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>134</b><br><b>77%</b> | <b>278</b><br><b>75%</b> | <b>273</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>240</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>116</b><br><b>100%</b> | <b>156</b><br><b>99%</b> | <b>150</b><br><b>94%</b> | <b>190</b><br><b>99%</b> | <b>60</b><br><b>91%</b> | <b>10</b><br><b>11%</b> | <b>104</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>7</b><br><b>7%</b> | <b>780</b><br><b>67%</b> |
| None of these  | 348<br>30%               | 39<br>22%                | 91<br>24%                | 120<br>30%               | 137<br>36%               | -<br>-                    | -<br>-                   | 6<br>3%                  | 1<br>1%                  | 6<br>9%                 | 79<br>86%               | 166<br>60%               | 90<br>92%             | 360<br>31%               |
| Don't know   | 4<br>*                   | 1<br>1%                  | 1<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | 2<br>1%                  | -<br>-                    | 1<br>1%                  | -<br>-                   | *<br>*                   | -<br>-                  | 1<br>2%                 | 1<br>*                   | *<br>*                | 7<br>1%                  |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>                                  | <b>2.55</b>              | <b>2.89</b>              | <b>2.73</b>              | <b>2.57</b>              | <b>2.31</b>              | <b>5.41</b>               | <b>3.41</b>              | <b>1.90</b>              | <b>1.40</b>              | <b>2.30</b>             | <b>1.36</b>             | <b>1.55</b>              | <b>1.13</b>           | <b>2.41</b>              |
| Flown on business overseas   | 97<br>8%                 | 22<br>13%                | 41<br>11%                | 29<br>7%                 | 27<br>7%                 | 24<br>21%                 | 27<br>17%                | 18<br>12%                | 8<br>4%                  | 5<br>7%                 | 1<br>1%                 | 12<br>4%                 | 1<br>1%               | 77<br>7%                 |
| Flown on business trip within the UK                               | 75<br>6%                 | 8<br>4%                  | 22<br>6%                 | 24<br>6%                 | 28<br>7%                 | 22<br>19%                 | 21<br>14%                | 15<br>9%                 | 4<br>2%                  | 6<br>9%                 | -<br>-                  | 6<br>2%                  | 1<br>1%               | 58<br>5%                 |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 16

### Q.4 You said that you have presented your views to a local councillor, MP, MSP/Welsh AM. Was this ...?

Base : All respondents age 18+ who have presented their local Councillor, MP, MSP or Welsh AM

|   | Gender     |           | Age       |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           | Social class |           |           |           |           |           | Region    |           |           | Marital status |           |                       | Unwtd total |                                |
|---|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|
|   | Total      | Male      | Female    | 18-24     | 25-34     | 35-44     | 45-54     | 55-64     | 65-74     | 75+       | 18-34     | 35-54     | 55+          | AB        | C1        | C2        | DE        | ABC1      | C2DE      | North     | South     | Mid lands      | Single    | Married /Co-hab iting |             | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |
| Unweighted total                              | 192        | 84        | 108       | 12        | 27        | 35        | 25        | 41        | 33        | 19        | 39        | 60        | 93           | 63        | 64        | 34        | 31        | 127       | 65        | 64        | 66        | 62             | 34        | 121                   | 37          | 192                            |
| Weighted total                                | 199        | 90        | 110       | 15        | 22        | 43        | 36        | 39        | 28        | 16        | 37        | 80        | 83           | 83        | 58        | 33        | 26        | 141       | 58        | 55        | 85        | 59             | 35        | 132                   | 33          | 192                            |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                         | <b>136</b> | <b>62</b> | <b>74</b> | <b>9</b>  | <b>21</b> | <b>24</b> | <b>20</b> | <b>31</b> | <b>28</b> | <b>12</b> | <b>28</b> | <b>43</b> | <b>70</b>    | <b>46</b> | <b>49</b> | <b>24</b> | <b>23</b> | <b>91</b> | <b>46</b> | <b>51</b> | <b>51</b> | <b>39</b>      | <b>27</b> | <b>84</b>             | <b>25</b>   | <b>192</b>                     |
| Local councillor                              | 79<br>40%  | 33<br>36% | 46<br>42% | 1<br>8%   | 8<br>37%  | 25<br>59% | 12<br>34% | 14<br>36% | 14<br>49% | 4<br>27%  | 10<br>26% | 38<br>47% | 32<br>38%    | 38<br>46% | 16<br>28% | 19<br>57% | 6<br>23%  | 54<br>39% | 25<br>42% | 27<br>49% | 26<br>31% | 26<br>43%      | 12<br>36% | 56<br>42%             | 11<br>33%   | 82<br>43%                      |
| MP  | 87<br>43%  | 42<br>47% | 45<br>41% | 14<br>92% | 10<br>45% | 14<br>32% | 19<br>52% | 14<br>35% | 11<br>40% | 5<br>33%  | 24<br>64% | 33<br>41% | 30<br>36%    | 26<br>31% | 31<br>53% | 13<br>38% | 17<br>67% | 57<br>40% | 30<br>51% | 24<br>44% | 42<br>49% | 21<br>35%      | 17<br>49% | 53<br>40%             | 17<br>52%   | 82<br>43%                      |
| Both local councillor and MP                  | 38<br>19%  | 18<br>20% | 20<br>18% | -<br>-    | 5<br>22%  | 3<br>6%   | 8<br>21%  | 15<br>37% | 3<br>9%   | 6<br>38%  | 5<br>13%  | 10<br>13% | 23<br>28%    | 22<br>27% | 11<br>18% | 1<br>4%   | 4<br>16%  | 33<br>23% | 6<br>10%  | 8<br>14%  | 15<br>18% | 15<br>26%      | 6<br>18%  | 25<br>19%             | 7<br>21%    | 35<br>18%                      |
| MSP   | 6<br>3%    | 5<br>5%   | 1<br>1%   | -<br>-    | -<br>-    | 2<br>5%   | 1<br>4%   | 2<br>6%   | *<br>1%   | -<br>-    | -<br>-    | 3<br>4%   | 3<br>3%      | 3<br>3%   | 3<br>6%   | -<br>-    | -<br>-    | 6<br>4%   | -<br>-    | 6<br>11%  | -<br>-    | -<br>-         | -<br>-    | 6<br>4%               | *<br>1%     | 7<br>4%                        |
| Welsh Assembly Member                         | 2<br>1%    | 1<br>1%   | 1<br>1%   | -<br>-    | -<br>2%   | -<br>-    | -<br>-    | 1<br>2%   | *<br>1%   | -<br>3%   | -<br>1%   | -<br>-    | 2<br>2%      | 1<br>1%   | *<br>1%   | -<br>-    | *<br>2%   | 2<br>1%   | *<br>1%   | -<br>-    | -<br>-    | 2<br>4%        | *<br>1%   | 1<br>1%               | 1<br>2%     | 4<br>2%                        |
| Don't know                                    | 2<br>1%    | 2<br>2%   | -<br>-    | -<br>-    | -<br>-    | -<br>-    | 2<br>4%   | -<br>-    | -<br>-    | -<br>-    | -<br>-    | -<br>2%   | 2<br>2%      | -<br>-    | 2<br>3%   | -<br>-    | -<br>-    | 2<br>1%   | -<br>-    | -<br>-    | 2<br>2%   | -<br>-         | -<br>-    | 2<br>1%               | -<br>-      | 1<br>1%                        |
| <b>Local councillor and MP (England only)</b> | <b>34</b>  | <b>15</b> | <b>19</b> | -         | <b>4</b>  | <b>3</b>  | <b>6</b>  | <b>12</b> | <b>3</b>  | <b>6</b>  | <b>4</b>  | <b>9</b>  | <b>20</b>    | <b>20</b> | <b>9</b>  | <b>1</b>  | <b>3</b>  | <b>29</b> | <b>5</b>  | <b>5</b>  | <b>15</b> | <b>14</b>      | <b>6</b>  | <b>22</b>             | <b>6</b>    | <b>29</b>                      |
|   | 17%        | 17%       | 17%       | -         | 19%       | 6%        | 18%       | 30%       | 9%        | 38%       | 12%       | 11%       | 25%          | 24%       | 16%       | 4%        | 14%       | 21%       | 8%        | 8%        | 18%       | 24%            | 17%       | 17%                   | 17%         | 15%                            |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
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Table 17

### Q.4 You said that you have presented your views to a local councillor, MP, MSP/Welsh AM. Was this ...?

Base : All respondents age 18+ who have presented their local Councillor, MP, MSP or Welsh AM

|   | Working status |           |             | Children in household |           | Newspaper readership |           |           | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity |            | GO Region  |           |           |            |               |               |                          |            |            |          | Unwtd total |           |            |
|---|----------------|-----------|-------------|-----------------------|-----------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|----------|-------------|-----------|------------|
|   | Full time      | Part time | Not working | Yes                   | No        | Quality              | Popular   | None      | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White     | BME        | South East | Eastern   | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales    |             | Scotland  |            |
| Unweighted total                              | 192            | 77        | 21          | 94                    | 53        | 28                   | 60        | 65        | 76                     | 34                | 30                           | 78               | 27        | 181        | 11         | 32        | 21        | 16         | 18            | 12            | 8                        | 14         | 13         | 13       | 21          | 24        | 192        |
| Weighted total                                | 199            | 98        | 18          | 83                    | 61        | 33                   | 74        | 60        | 78                     | 30                | 30                           | 93               | 24        | 193        | 6          | 47        | 24        | 20         | 19            | 12            | 13                       | 13         | 11         | 11       | 19          | 192       |            |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                         | <b>136</b>     | <b>55</b> | <b>14</b>   | <b>72</b>             | <b>34</b> | <b>23</b>            | <b>44</b> | <b>47</b> | <b>52</b>              | <b>26</b>         | <b>20</b>                    | <b>55</b>        | <b>22</b> | <b>129</b> | <b>9</b>   | <b>25</b> | <b>14</b> | <b>13</b>  | <b>15</b>     | <b>11</b>     | <b>5</b>                 | <b>12</b>  | <b>11</b>  | <b>9</b> | <b>18</b>   | <b>19</b> | <b>192</b> |
| Local councillor                              | 79             | 41        | 8           | 30                    | 28        | 13                   | 22        | 24        | 37                     | 14                | 10                           | 37               | 8         | 77         | 2          | 17        | 3         | 1          | 8             | 8             | 7                        | 4          | 5          | 5        | 7           | 13        | 82         |
|   | 40%            | 42%       | 42%         | 36%                   | 46%       | 41%                  | 30%       | 41%       | 47%                    | 46%               | 35%                          | 40%              | 35%       | 40%        | 24%        | 36%       | 14%       | 6%         | 45%           | 65%           | 57%                      | 35%        | 41%        | 44%      | 66%         | 68%       | 43%        |
| MP  | 87             | 45        | 4           | 37                    | 27        | 13                   | 38        | 27        | 27                     | 15                | 16                           | 37               | 9         | 84         | 2          | 25        | 11        | 7          | 10            | 2             | 4                        | 7          | 6          | 4        | 5           | 7         | 82         |
|   | 43%            | 46%       | 24%         | 45%                   | 45%       | 40%                  | 52%       | 45%       | 35%                    | 50%               | 54%                          | 40%              | 39%       | 44%        | 38%        | 53%       | 45%       | 38%        | 52%           | 15%           | 28%                      | 57%        | 44%        | 41%      | 44%         | 36%       | 43%        |
| Both local councillor and MP                  | 38             | 16        | 6           | 16                    | 7         | 9                    | 16        | 10        | 16                     | 5                 | 5                            | 18               | 6         | 36         | 2          | 5         | 10        | 9          | 1             | 2             | 2                        | 1          | 2          | 2        | 2           | 3         | 35         |
|   | 19%            | 16%       | 35%         | 19%                   | 12%       | 27%                  | 21%       | 17%       | 20%                    | 16%               | 15%                          | 20%              | 26%       | 19%        | 38%        | 12%       | 40%       | 47%        | 3%            | 20%           | 15%                      | 8%         | 14%        | 15%      | 16%         | 18%       |            |
| MSP   | 6              | 5         | -           | 1                     | -         | 1                    | 4         | *         | 2                      | 1                 | 1                            | 3                | 1         | 6          | -          | -         | -         | -          | -             | -             | -                        | -          | -          | -        | -           | 6         | 7          |
|   | 3%             | 5%        | -           | 1%                    | -         | 4%                   | 5%        | 1%        | 3%                     | 4%                | 4%                           | 3%               | 3%        | 3%         | -          | -         | -         | -          | -             | -             | -                        | -          | -          | -        | -           | 33%       | 4%         |
| Welsh Assembly Member                         | 2              | 1         | -           | 1                     | 1         | -                    | *         | 1         | 1                      | 1                 | -                            | 1                | -         | 2          | -          | -         | -         | -          | -             | -             | -                        | -          | -          | -        | 2           | 4         |            |
|   | 1%             | 1%        | -           | 2%                    | 1%        | -                    | 1%        | 1%        | 1%                     | 3%                | -                            | 1%               | -         | 1%         | -          | -         | -         | -          | -             | -             | -                        | -          | -          | -        | 20%         | -         | 2%         |
| Don't know                                    | 2              | -         | -           | 2                     | -         | -                    | -         | -         | 2                      | -                 | -                            | 2                | -         | 2          | -          | -         | -         | 2          | -             | -             | -                        | -          | -          | -        | -           | -         | 1          |
|   | 1%             | -         | -           | 2%                    | -         | -                    | -         | -         | 2%                     | -                 | -                            | 2%               | -         | 1%         | -          | -         | -         | 9%         | -             | -             | -                        | -          | -          | -        | -           | -         | 1%         |
| <b>Local councillor and MP (England only)</b> | <b>34</b>      | <b>13</b> | <b>6</b>    | <b>15</b>             | <b>6</b>  | <b>8</b>             | <b>14</b> | <b>9</b>  | <b>14</b>              | <b>3</b>          | <b>4</b>                     | <b>16</b>        | <b>6</b>  | <b>31</b>  | <b>2</b>   | <b>5</b>  | <b>10</b> | <b>9</b>   | <b>1</b>      | <b>2</b>      | <b>2</b>                 | <b>1</b>   | <b>2</b>   | <b>2</b> | <b>-</b>    | <b>29</b> |            |
|   | 17%            | 13%       | 35%         | 18%                   | 11%       | 23%                  | 19%       | 15%       | 18%                    | 10%               | 13%                          | 18%              | 25%       | 16%        | 38%        | 12%       | 40%       | 47%        | 3%            | 20%           | 15%                      | 8%         | 14%        | 15%      | -           | 15%       |            |

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### Q.4 You said that you have presented your views to a local councillor, MP, MSP/Welsh AM. Was this ...?

Base : All respondents age 18+ who have presented their local Councillor, MP, MSP or Welsh AM

|   | Total             | Urbanity          |                  |                 | Interest in politics |                  | Likelihood to vote |                  | Political activism |                   | Opinion on present system |                   | Knew local MP     |                   | Unwtd total       |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|   |                   | Urban             | Rural            | Mixed           | Interested           | Not interested   | Certain to         | Certain not to   | Activist           | Non-activist      | Works well                | Needs improvement | Yes               | No                |                   |
| Unweighted total                              | 192               | 121               | 23               | 48              | 146                  | 46               | 144                | 14               | 107                | 85                | 51                        | 140               | 121               | 71                | 192               |
| Weighted total                                | 199               | 135               | 24               | 40              | 157                  | 42               | 150                | 11               | 122                | 78                | 55                        | 144               | 125               | 75                | 192               |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                         | <b>136</b>        | <b>87</b>         | <b>17</b>        | <b>32</b>       | <b>103</b>           | <b>34</b>        | <b>100</b>         | <b>11</b>        | <b>75</b>          | <b>63</b>         | <b>33</b>                 | <b>103</b>        | <b>83</b>         | <b>52</b>         | <b>192</b>        |
| Local councillor                              | 79<br>40%         | 42<br>31%         | 17<br>69%        | 20<br>51%       | 61<br>39%            | 18<br>43%        | 62<br>41%          | 4<br>35%         | 50<br>41%          | 29<br>38%         | 22<br>40%                 | 57<br>40%         | 37<br>30%         | 42<br>55%         | 82<br>43%         |
| MP  | 87<br>43%         | 65<br>48%         | 5<br>22%         | 16<br>40%       | 68<br>43%            | 18<br>44%        | 67<br>45%          | 2<br>20%         | 51<br>42%          | 36<br>46%         | 27<br>50%                 | 59<br>41%         | 63<br>51%         | 24<br>31%         | 82<br>43%         |
| Both local councillor and MP                  | 38<br>19%         | 30<br>23%         | 4<br>18%         | 4<br>9%         | 34<br>21%            | 5<br>11%         | 29<br>19%          | 4<br>32%         | 26<br>22%          | 12<br>16%         | 5<br>9%                   | 34<br>23%         | 26<br>21%         | 12<br>17%         | 35<br>18%         |
| MSP   | 6<br>3%           | 4<br>3%           | 2<br>10%         | -               | 5<br>3%              | 1<br>2%          | 5<br>3%            | 1<br>10%         | 5<br>4%            | 1<br>1%           | 2<br>4%                   | 4<br>3%           | 1<br>1%           | 5<br>7%           | 7<br>4%           |
| Welsh Assembly Member                         | 2<br>1%           | 2<br>2%           | -                | -               | 2<br>1%              | -                | 2<br>1%            | *<br>4%          | 2<br>1%            | *<br>1%           | *<br>1%                   | 2<br>1%           | 2<br>2%           | -                 | 4<br>2%           |
| Don't know                                    | 2<br>1%           | 2<br>1%           | -                | -               | 2<br>1%              | -                | -                  | -                | 2<br>1%            | -                 | 2<br>3%                   | -                 | 2<br>1%           | -                 | 1<br>1%           |
| <b>Local councillor and MP (England only)</b> | <b>34<br/>17%</b> | <b>28<br/>20%</b> | <b>3<br/>11%</b> | <b>4<br/>9%</b> | <b>29<br/>19%</b>    | <b>5<br/>11%</b> | <b>25<br/>16%</b>  | <b>4<br/>32%</b> | <b>22<br/>18%</b>  | <b>12<br/>15%</b> | <b>4<br/>7%</b>           | <b>30<br/>21%</b> | <b>24<br/>19%</b> | <b>10<br/>14%</b> | <b>29<br/>15%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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### Q.4 You said that you have presented your views to a local councillor, MP, MSP/Welsh AM. Was this ...?

Base : All respondents age 18+ who have presented their local Councillor, MP, MSP or Welsh AM

|   | Total             | Quiz score       |                  |                   | Satisfaction with local MP |                  | Satisfaction with MPs in general |                   | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |                   | Use of internet   |                     | Unwtd total       |
|---|-------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|--|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
|   |                   | Scored 0-3       | Scored 4-6       | Scored 7-9        | Satisfied                  | Dissatisfied     | Satisfied                        | Dissatisfied      | Agree                                  | Disagree          | Use internet      | Do not use internet |                   |
| Unweighted total                              | 192               | 9                | 52               | 131               | 99                         | 40               | 66                               | 77                | 89                                     | 63                | 151               | 41                  | 192               |
| Weighted total                                | 199               | 9                | 43               | 148               | 105                        | 37               | 67                               | 79                | 91                                     | 68                | 165               | 35                  | 192               |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                         | <b>136</b>        | <b>7</b>         | <b>40</b>        | <b>93</b>         | <b>68</b>                  | <b>31</b>        | <b>47</b>                        | <b>53</b>         | <b>64</b>                              | <b>46</b>         | <b>107</b>        | <b>30</b>           | <b>192</b>        |
| Local councillor                              | 79<br>40%         | 3<br>38%         | 22<br>50%        | 54<br>37%         | 39<br>37%                  | 15<br>39%        | 26<br>39%                        | 30<br>39%         | 34<br>38%                              | 24<br>36%         | 62<br>38%         | 17<br>47%           | 82<br>43%         |
| MP  | 87<br>43%         | 3<br>40%         | 17<br>38%        | 67<br>45%         | 49<br>47%                  | 17<br>44%        | 29<br>43%                        | 39<br>49%         | 38<br>42%                              | 31<br>46%         | 74<br>45%         | 13<br>37%           | 82<br>43%         |
| Both local councillor and MP                  | 38<br>19%         | 2<br>22%         | 5<br>13%         | 31<br>21%         | 22<br>21%                  | 7<br>18%         | 14<br>20%                        | 13<br>17%         | 21<br>23%                              | 14<br>20%         | 31<br>19%         | 8<br>22%            | 35<br>18%         |
| MSP   | 6<br>3%           | -                | 2<br>4%          | 4<br>3%           | 3<br>3%                    | -                | 1<br>1%                          | 3<br>3%           | 2<br>3%                                | 3<br>4%           | 6<br>4%           | -                   | 7<br>4%           |
| Welsh Assembly Member                         | 2<br>1%           | -                | 1<br>3%          | 1<br>1%           | -                          | 2<br>4%          | *<br>1%                          | 2<br>2%           | 1<br>1%                                | 1<br>1%           | *<br>*            | 2<br>5%             | 4<br>2%           |
| Don't know                                    | 2<br>1%           | -                | -                | 2<br>1%           | -                          | 2<br>5%          | -                                | -                 | -                                      | -                 | 2<br>1%           | -                   | 1<br>1%           |
| <b>Local councillor and MP (England only)</b> | <b>34<br/>17%</b> | <b>2<br/>22%</b> | <b>4<br/>10%</b> | <b>28<br/>19%</b> | <b>19<br/>18%</b>          | <b>5<br/>14%</b> | <b>13<br/>19%</b>                | <b>11<br/>13%</b> | <b>19<br/>21%</b>                      | <b>12<br/>18%</b> | <b>28<br/>17%</b> | <b>6<br/>18%</b>    | <b>29<br/>15%</b> |



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Base : All respondents age 18+ who have presented their local Councillor, MP, MSP or Welsh AM

|   | Total             | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |                  | Segment               |                    |                       |                  |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total       |
|---|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|   |                   | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%)      | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics  | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |                   |
| Unweighted total                              | 192               | 26                    | 66                       | 71                      | 55               | 65                    | 49                 | 12                    | 36               | 7                     | 5               | 12                     | 6                 | 192               |
| Weighted total                                | 199               | 33                    | 79                       | 73                      | 47               | 80                    | 50                 | 10                    | 35               | 5                     | 2               | 11                     | 5                 | 192               |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                         | <b>136</b>        | <b>19</b>             | <b>49</b>                | <b>47</b>               | <b>43</b>        | <b>49</b>             | <b>33</b>          | <b>10</b>             | <b>25</b>        | <b>5</b>              | <b>4</b>        | <b>10</b>              | <b>4</b>          | <b>192</b>        |
| Local councillor                              | 79<br>40%         | 14<br>41%             | 29<br>37%                | 26<br>35%               | 24<br>51%        | 34<br>42%             | 23<br>45%          | 2<br>19%              | 10<br>28%        | 3<br>48%              | *<br>16%        | 6<br>54%               | 2<br>36%          | 82<br>43%         |
| MP  | 87<br>43%         | 15<br>46%             | 29<br>37%                | 41<br>56%               | 16<br>35%        | 33<br>41%             | 20<br>41%          | 8<br>81%              | 16<br>45%        | 2<br>38%              | 2<br>84%        | 2<br>20%               | 3<br>64%          | 82<br>43%         |
| Both local councillor and MP                  | 38<br>19%         | 7<br>20%              | 23<br>30%                | 8<br>11%                | 7<br>15%         | 20<br>25%             | 8<br>15%           | -                     | 9<br>26%         | -                     | -               | 2<br>16%               | -                 | 35<br>18%         |
| MSP   | 6<br>3%           | -                     | 2<br>2%                  | 2<br>3%                 | 2<br>4%          | 3<br>4%               | 1<br>2%            | -                     | *<br>1%          | 1<br>14%              | -               | 1<br>10%               | -                 | 7<br>4%           |
| Welsh Assembly Member                         | 2<br>1%           | 2<br>5%               | 2<br>2%                  | -                       | *<br>1%          | 2<br>3%               | -                  | -                     | -                | -                     | -               | -                      | -                 | 4<br>2%           |
| Don't know                                    | 2<br>1%           | -                     | -                        | -                       | 2<br>4%          | 2<br>2%               | -                  | -                     | -                | -                     | -               | -                      | -                 | 1<br>1%           |
| <b>Local councillor and MP (England only)</b> | <b>34<br/>17%</b> | <b>5<br/>16%</b>      | <b>21<br/>27%</b>        | <b>7<br/>10%</b>        | <b>6<br/>12%</b> | <b>15<br/>19%</b>     | <b>7<br/>15%</b>   | <b>-</b>              | <b>9<br/>26%</b> | <b>-</b>              | <b>-</b>        | <b>2<br/>16%</b>       | <b>-</b>          | <b>29<br/>15%</b> |

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### Q.5 And which of these, if any, have you done in the last two or three years?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Gender      |             | Age         |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             | Social class |             |             |             |             |             | Region      |             |             | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|   | Male        | Female      | 18-24       | 25-34       | 35-44       | 45-54       | 55-64       | 65-74       | 75+         | 18-34       | 35-54       | 55+         | AB           | C1          | C2          | DE          | ABC1        | C2DE        | North       | South       | Mid lands   | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| Unweighted total  | 1156        | 552         | 604         | 138         | 207         | 206         | 141         | 170         | 159         | 135         | 345         | 347         | 464          | 224         | 353         | 257         | 322         | 577         | 579         | 438         | 339         | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |
| Weighted total  | 1156        | 561         | 595         | 173         | 183         | 216         | 186         | 169         | 117         | 111         | 356         | 402         | 398          | 310         | 333         | 241         | 272         | 642         | 514         | 387         | 411         | 358            | 306                   | 681                            | 169         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>   | <b>801</b>  | <b>391</b>  | <b>410</b>  | <b>98</b>   | <b>145</b>  | <b>149</b>  | <b>105</b>  | <b>117</b>  | <b>135</b>  | <b>87</b>   | <b>236</b>  | <b>252</b>  | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b>  | <b>256</b>  | <b>191</b>  | <b>222</b>  | <b>401</b>  | <b>413</b>  | <b>312</b>  | <b>250</b>  | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| Voted in the last local council election  | 566         | 274         | 292         | 41          | 53          | 93          | 116         | 124         | 73          | 65          | 94          | 209         | 263          | 225         | 163         | 89          | 89          | 388         | 178         | 162         | 224         | 180            | 87                    | 391                            | 88          | 550         |
|   | 49%         | 49%         | 49%         | 24%         | 29%         | 43%         | 63%         | 73%         | 63%         | 59%         | 26%         | 52%         | 66%          | 73%         | 49%         | 37%         | 33%         | 60%         | 35%         | 42%         | 55%         | 50%            | 29%                   | 57%                            | 52%         | 48%         |
| Donated money or paid a membership fee to a charity or campaigning organisation | 487         | 216         | 271         | 48          | 72          | 76          | 104         | 91          | 59          | 36          | 120         | 181         | 186          | 199         | 156         | 71          | 60          | 355         | 132         | 140         | 209         | 138            | 102                   | 329                            | 57          | 444         |
|   | 42%         | 38%         | 46%         | 28%         | 39%         | 35%         | 56%         | 54%         | 50%         | 33%         | 34%         | 45%         | 47%          | 64%         | 47%         | 30%         | 22%         | 55%         | 26%         | 36%         | 51%         | 38%            | 33%                   | 48%                            | 34%         | 38%         |
| Discussed politics or political news with someone else                          | 478         | 249         | 229         | 49          | 66          | 86          | 105         | 94          | 48          | 31          | 115         | 191         | 172          | 200         | 148         | 73          | 57          | 348         | 130         | 140         | 202         | 136            | 100                   | 323                            | 54          | 431         |
|   | 41%         | 44%         | 38%         | 28%         | 36%         | 40%         | 57%         | 55%         | 41%         | 27%         | 32%         | 48%         | 43%          | 65%         | 45%         | 30%         | 21%         | 54%         | 25%         | 36%         | 49%         | 38%            | 33%                   | 47%                            | 32%         | 37%         |
| Signed a petition   | 457         | 200         | 257         | 62          | 62          | 97          | 100         | 75          | 38          | 23          | 124         | 196         | 137          | 173         | 144         | 71          | 69          | 317         | 140         | 136         | 191         | 131            | 109                   | 296                            | 52          | 406         |
|   | 40%         | 36%         | 43%         | 36%         | 34%         | 45%         | 54%         | 44%         | 33%         | 21%         | 35%         | 49%         | 34%          | 56%         | 43%         | 30%         | 25%         | 49%         | 27%         | 35%         | 46%         | 37%            | 36%                   | 43%                            | 31%         | 35%         |
| Done voluntary work   | 339         | 151         | 188         | 49          | 48          | 54          | 75          | 52          | 38          | 22          | 97          | 129         | 112          | 142         | 104         | 40          | 54          | 246         | 93          | 101         | 148         | 90             | 86                    | 214                            | 39          | 304         |
|   | 29%         | 27%         | 32%         | 28%         | 26%         | 25%         | 41%         | 31%         | 33%         | 20%         | 27%         | 32%         | 28%          | 46%         | 31%         | 16%         | 20%         | 38%         | 18%         | 26%         | 36%         | 25%            | 28%                   | 31%                            | 23%         | 28%         |
| Boycotted certain products for political, ethical or environmental reasons      | 221         | 107         | 114         | 22          | 31          | 47          | 48          | 41          | 24          | 8           | 53          | 95          | 73           | 112         | 71          | 21          | 17          | 183         | 38          | 53          | 96          | 72             | 47                    | 149                            | 26          | 186         |
|   | 19%         | 19%         | 19%         | 13%         | 17%         | 22%         | 26%         | 24%         | 20%         | 8%          | 15%         | 24%         | 18%          | 36%         | 21%         | 9%          | 6%          | 28%         | 7%          | 14%         | 23%         | 20%            | 15%                   | 22%                            | 15%         | 16%         |
| Expressed my political opinions online  | 104         | 55          | 49          | 17          | 16          | 25          | 23          | 10          | 10          | 4           | 33          | 48          | 23           | 45          | 41          | 11          | 7           | 86          | 18          | 29          | 47          | 28             | 23                    | 70                             | 12          | 87          |
|   | 9%          | 10%         | 8%          | 10%         | 9%          | 12%         | 12%         | 6%          | 8%          | 4%          | 9%          | 12%         | 6%           | 14%         | 12%         | 5%          | 3%          | 13%         | 4%          | 7%          | 11%         | 8%             | 7%                    | 10%                            | 7%          | 8%          |
| Been to any political meeting   | 92          | 43          | 50          | 12          | 5           | 22          | 8           | 24          | 11          | 9           | 16          | 31          | 45           | 38          | 31          | 10          | 13          | 70          | 23          | 16          | 48          | 29             | 17                    | 57                             | 18          | 79          |
|   | 8%          | 8%          | 8%          | 7%          | 3%          | 10%         | 5%          | 14%         | 10%         | 8%          | 5%          | 8%          | 11%          | 12%         | 9%          | 4%          | 5%          | 11%         | 4%          | 4%          | 12%         | 8%             | 6%                    | 8%                             | 11%         | 7%          |
| Donated money or paid a membership fee to a political party                     | 61          | 32          | 29          | 9           | 4           | 7           | 13          | 13          | 5           | 8           | 14          | 21          | 27           | 27          | 22          | 7           | 6           | 49          | 13          | 12          | 25          | 25             | 10                    | 41                             | 11          | 52          |
|   | 5%          | 6%          | 5%          | 5%          | 2%          | 3%          | 7%          | 8%          | 5%          | 8%          | 4%          | 5%          | 7%           | 9%          | 7%          | 3%          | 2%          | 8%          | 2%          | 3%          | 6%          | 7%             | 3%                    | 6%                             | 6%          | 4%          |
| Take part in a demonstration, march, or picket/strike                           | 47          | 30          | 17          | 6           | 8           | 6           | 8           | 11          | 5           | 3           | 15          | 13          | 19           | 24          | 14          | 5           | 3           | 39          | 8           | 16          | 24          | 8              | 9                     | 30                             | 8           | 41          |
|   | 4%          | 5%          | 3%          | 4%          | 5%          | 3%          | 4%          | 7%          | 4%          | 2%          | 4%          | 3%          | 5%           | 8%          | 4%          | 2%          | 1%          | 6%          | 2%          | 4%          | 6%          | 2%             | 3%                    | 4%                             | 5%          | 4%          |
| None  | 261         | 131         | 130         | 61          | 61          | 53          | 25          | 16          | 16          | 30          | 122         | 78          | 61           | 21          | 63          | 74          | 104         | 84          | 178         | 104         | 72          | 85             | 96                    | 123                            | 43          | 281         |
|   | 23%         | 23%         | 22%         | 35%         | 33%         | 25%         | 13%         | 9%          | 13%         | 27%         | 34%         | 19%         | 15%          | 7%          | 19%         | 31%         | 38%         | 13%         | 35%         | 27%         | 18%         | 24%            | 31%                   | 18%                            | 25%         | 24%         |
| Don't know  | 3           | 2           | *           | 2           | *           | -           | -           | -           | -           | *           | 3           | -           | *            | -           | *           | -           | 3           | *           | 3           | *           | 2           | *              | 3                     | *                              | -           | 3           |
|   | *           | *           | *           | 1%          | *           | -           | -           | -           | -           | *           | 1%          | -           | *            | -           | *           | -           | 1%          | *           | *           | *           | 1%          | *              | 1%                    | *                              | -           | *           |
| <b>5 or more activities</b>   | <b>229</b>  | <b>107</b>  | <b>123</b>  | <b>25</b>   | <b>27</b>   | <b>41</b>   | <b>56</b>   | <b>48</b>   | <b>21</b>   | <b>11</b>   | <b>52</b>   | <b>97</b>   | <b>80</b>    | <b>126</b>  | <b>69</b>   | <b>20</b>   | <b>14</b>   | <b>196</b>  | <b>34</b>   | <b>54</b>   | <b>115</b>  | <b>60</b>      | <b>41</b>             | <b>159</b>                     | <b>29</b>   | <b>186</b>  |
|   | 20%         | 19%         | 21%         | 14%         | 15%         | 19%         | 30%         | 28%         | 18%         | 10%         | 15%         | 24%         | 20%          | 41%         | 21%         | 8%          | 5%          | 30%         | 7%          | 14%         | 28%         | 17%            | 14%                   | 23%                            | 17%         | 16%         |
| <b>3 or more activities</b>   | <b>480</b>  | <b>226</b>  | <b>254</b>  | <b>46</b>   | <b>63</b>   | <b>74</b>   | <b>112</b>  | <b>96</b>   | <b>59</b>   | <b>30</b>   | <b>110</b>  | <b>186</b>  | <b>185</b>   | <b>206</b>  | <b>158</b>  | <b>59</b>   | <b>58</b>   | <b>363</b>  | <b>117</b>  | <b>126</b>  | <b>209</b>  | <b>145</b>     | <b>99</b>             | <b>329</b>                     | <b>52</b>   | <b>426</b>  |
|   | 42%         | 40%         | 43%         | 27%         | 34%         | 34%         | 60%         | 57%         | 50%         | 27%         | 31%         | 46%         | 46%          | 66%         | 47%         | 24%         | 21%         | 57%         | 23%         | 33%         | 51%         | 41%            | 32%                   | 48%                            | 31%         | 37%         |
| <b>2 or fewer activities</b>  | <b>676</b>  | <b>335</b>  | <b>340</b>  | <b>126</b>  | <b>120</b>  | <b>142</b>  | <b>74</b>   | <b>73</b>   | <b>58</b>   | <b>81</b>   | <b>247</b>  | <b>216</b>  | <b>213</b>   | <b>104</b>  | <b>175</b>  | <b>182</b>  | <b>215</b>  | <b>279</b>  | <b>397</b>  | <b>260</b>  | <b>202</b>  | <b>213</b>     | <b>207</b>            | <b>352</b>                     | <b>117</b>  | <b>730</b>  |
|   | 58%         | 60%         | 57%         | 73%         | 66%         | 66%         | 40%         | 43%         | 50%         | 73%         | 69%         | 54%         | 54%          | 34%         | 53%         | 76%         | 79%         | 43%         | 77%         | 67%         | 49%         | 59%            | 68%                   | 52%                            | 69%         | 63%         |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>   | <b>3.20</b> | <b>3.18</b> | <b>3.22</b> | <b>2.87</b> | <b>2.99</b> | <b>3.15</b> | <b>3.74</b> | <b>3.48</b> | <b>3.08</b> | <b>2.58</b> | <b>2.94</b> | <b>3.44</b> | <b>3.14</b>  | <b>4.10</b> | <b>3.32</b> | <b>2.38</b> | <b>2.26</b> | <b>3.72</b> | <b>2.32</b> | <b>2.85</b> | <b>3.60</b> | <b>3.07</b>    | <b>2.84</b>           | <b>3.40</b>                    | <b>2.88</b> | <b>2.96</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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Table 22

## Q.5 And which of these, if any, have you done in the last two or three years?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Working status |             |             | Children in household |             | Newspaper readership |             |             | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity   |             | GO Region   |             |             |             |               |               |                          |             |             |             | Unwtd total |             |             |
|---|----------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|   | Full time      | Part time   | Not working | Yes                   | No          | Quality              | Popular     | None        | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White       | BME         | South East  | Eastern     | London      | South West  | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West  | North East  | Wales       |             | Scotland    |             |
| Unweighted total  | 1156           | 425         | 109         | 622                   | 360         | 234                  | 201         | 445         | 548                    | 318               | 183                          | 258              | 274         | 1007        | 146         | 116         | 102         | 121         | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91          | 122         | 68          | 97          | 157         | 1156        |
| Weighted total  | 1156           | 520         | 109         | 527                   | 372         | 287                  | 253         | 423         | 522                    | 320               | 213                          | 287              | 219         | 1054        | 100         | 162         | 110         | 147         | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101         | 134         | 51          | 58          | 102         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>   | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b>  | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b>  | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b>  | <b>313</b>  | <b>382</b>             | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b>  | <b>703</b>  | <b>115</b>  | <b>90</b>   | <b>72</b>   | <b>86</b>   | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>   | <b>90</b>   | <b>51</b>   | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| Voted in the last local council election  | 566            | 269         | 46          | 251                   | 159         | 116                  | 189         | 169         | 233                    | 113               | 106                          | 192              | 87          | 542         | 25          | 102         | 51          | 54          | 67            | 55            | 43                       | 43          | 48          | 26          | 32          | 45          | 550         |
|   | 49%            | 52%         | 43%         | 48%                   | 43%         | 41%                  | 75%         | 40%         | 45%                    | 35%               | 50%                          | 67%              | 40%         | 51%         | 25%         | 63%         | 46%         | 37%         | 66%           | 53%           | 50%                      | 42%         | 36%         | 51%         | 56%         | 44%         | 48%         |
| Donated money or paid a membership fee to a charity or campaigning organisation | 487            | 248         | 57          | 182                   | 128         | 113                  | 176         | 144         | 198                    | 111               | 106                          | 179              | 45          | 471         | 15          | 99          | 46          | 54          | 56            | 51            | 24                       | 36          | 37          | 26          | 17          | 41          | 444         |
|   | 42%            | 48%         | 53%         | 34%                   | 34%         | 40%                  | 70%         | 34%         | 38%                    | 35%               | 50%                          | 62%              | 20%         | 45%         | 15%         | 61%         | 42%         | 37%         | 54%           | 49%           | 27%                      | 36%         | 28%         | 51%         | 30%         | 40%         | 38%         |
| Discussed politics or political news with someone else                          | 478            | 254         | 41          | 182                   | 132         | 110                  | 177         | 136         | 192                    | 89                | 98                           | 200              | 40          | 462         | 15          | 105         | 45          | 44          | 53            | 37            | 29                       | 38          | 42          | 24          | 25          | 37          | 431         |
|   | 41%            | 49%         | 38%         | 35%                   | 36%         | 38%                  | 70%         | 32%         | 37%                    | 28%               | 46%                          | 70%              | 18%         | 44%         | 15%         | 65%         | 41%         | 30%         | 51%           | 35%           | 34%                      | 38%         | 31%         | 47%         | 44%         | 37%         | 37%         |
| Signed a petition   | 457            | 237         | 58          | 162                   | 154         | 117                  | 147         | 146         | 193                    | 109               | 103                          | 167              | 40          | 448         | 8           | 94          | 48          | 38          | 58            | 39            | 25                       | 40          | 42          | 24          | 19          | 30          | 406         |
|   | 40%            | 46%         | 53%         | 31%                   | 42%         | 41%                  | 58%         | 34%         | 37%                    | 34%               | 48%                          | 58%              | 18%         | 42%         | 8%          | 58%         | 44%         | 26%         | 57%           | 38%           | 28%                      | 40%         | 31%         | 48%         | 33%         | 29%         | 35%         |
| Done voluntary work   | 339            | 153         | 39          | 147                   | 102         | 77                   | 122         | 92          | 147                    | 74                | 82                           | 131              | 32          | 325         | 14          | 75          | 37          | 37          | 36            | 27            | 14                       | 17          | 33          | 20          | 13          | 30          | 304         |
|   | 29%            | 29%         | 36%         | 28%                   | 28%         | 27%                  | 48%         | 22%         | 28%                    | 23%               | 38%                          | 46%              | 15%         | 31%         | 14%         | 46%         | 34%         | 25%         | 35%           | 26%           | 16%                      | 17%         | 24%         | 40%         | 23%         | 30%         | 26%         |
| Boycotted certain products for political, ethical or environmental reasons      | 221            | 120         | 33          | 68                    | 61          | 50                   | 96          | 33          | 106                    | 31                | 43                           | 119              | 12          | 213         | 8           | 46          | 23          | 23          | 27            | 17            | 22                       | 11          | 15          | 11          | 9           | 15          | 186         |
|   | 19%            | 23%         | 30%         | 13%                   | 16%         | 18%                  | 38%         | 8%          | 20%                    | 10%               | 20%                          | 41%              | 5%          | 20%         | 8%          | 28%         | 21%         | 16%         | 27%           | 17%           | 26%                      | 11%         | 11%         | 23%         | 16%         | 15%         | 16%         |
| Expressed my political opinions online  | 104            | 64          | 12          | 28                    | 34          | 16                   | 43          | 27          | 44                     | 12                | 23                           | 57               | 5           | 100         | 4           | 19          | 12          | 16          | 11            | 9             | 5                        | 4           | 16          | 5           | 2           | 4           | 87          |
|   | 9%             | 12%         | 11%         | 5%                    | 9%          | 6%                   | 17%         | 6%          | 9%                     | 4%                | 11%                          | 20%              | 2%          | 10%         | 4%          | 12%         | 11%         | 11%         | 11%           | 9%            | 6%                       | 4%          | 12%         | 9%          | 3%          | 4%          | 8%          |
| Been to any political meeting   | 92             | 42          | 6           | 44                    | 13          | 25                   | 48          | 31          | 24                     | 13                | 20                           | 35               | 9           | 91          | 1           | 27          | 12          | 14          | 7             | 6             | 5                        | 5           | -           | 4           | 5           | 7           | 79          |
|   | 8%             | 8%          | 6%          | 8%                    | 4%          | 9%                   | 19%         | 7%          | 5%                     | 4%                | 10%                          | 12%              | 4%          | 9%          | 1%          | 17%         | 11%         | 9%          | 7%            | 6%            | 6%                       | 5%          | -           | 8%          | 9%          | 6%          | 7%          |
| Donated money or paid a membership fee to a political party                     | 61             | 26          | 5           | 29                    | 13          | 13                   | 25          | 17          | 22                     | 10                | 15                           | 24               | 5           | 61          | 1           | 10          | 12          | 8           | 7             | 8             | 2                        | 5           | 3           | -           | 3           | 4           | 52          |
|   | 5%             | 5%          | 5%          | 6%                    | 3%          | 5%                   | 10%         | 4%          | 4%                     | 3%                | 7%                           | 8%               | 3%          | 6%          | 1%          | 6%          | 11%         | 5%          | 7%            | 8%            | 2%                       | 5%          | 2%          | -           | 5%          | 4%          | 4%          |
| Take part in a demonstration, march, or picket/strike                           | 47             | 18          | 5           | 24                    | 12          | 6                    | 23          | 12          | 18                     | 4                 | 11                           | 23               | 6           | 46          | 1           | 9           | 3           | 6           | 9             | 1             | 2                        | 5           | 4           | -           | 1           | 7           | 41          |
|   | 4%             | 3%          | 5%          | 5%                    | 3%          | 2%                   | 9%          | 3%          | 4%                     | 1%                | 5%                           | 8%               | 3%          | 4%          | 1%          | 6%          | 3%          | 4%          | 8%            | 1%            | 3%                       | 5%          | 3%          | -           | 1%          | 7%          | 4%          |
| None  | 261            | 95          | 21          | 146                   | 109         | 68                   | 16          | 116         | 132                    | 103               | 31                           | 24               | 82          | 212         | 48          | 10          | 27          | 52          | 10            | 22            | 27                       | 29          | 47          | 7           | 9           | 21          | 281         |
|   | 23%            | 18%         | 19%         | 28%                   | 29%         | 24%                  | 7%          | 27%         | 25%                    | 32%               | 15%                          | 8%               | 37%         | 20%         | 48%         | 6%          | 25%         | 36%         | 10%           | 21%           | 31%                      | 29%         | 35%         | 13%         | 15%         | 21%         | 24%         |
| Don't know  | 3              | -           | -           | 3                     | 2           | *                    | -           | 2           | *                      | 2                 | *                            | -                | *           | *           | 3           | -           | -           | 2           | -             | *             | -                        | -           | -           | -           | -           | *           | 3           |
|   | *              | -           | 1%          | 1%                    | *           | *                    | -           | 1%          | *                      | 1%                | *                            | *                | *           | *           | 3%          | -           | -           | 2%          | -             | *             | -                        | -           | -           | -           | -           | *           | *           |
| <b>5 or more activities</b>   | <b>229</b>     | <b>124</b>  | <b>29</b>   | <b>76</b>             | <b>70</b>   | <b>46</b>            | <b>105</b>  | <b>50</b>   | <b>96</b>              | <b>36</b>         | <b>44</b>                    | <b>124</b>       | <b>8</b>    | <b>226</b>  | <b>3</b>    | <b>62</b>   | <b>23</b>   | <b>21</b>   | <b>32</b>     | <b>19</b>     | <b>12</b>                | <b>12</b>   | <b>17</b>   | <b>11</b>   | <b>5</b>    | <b>14</b>   | <b>186</b>  |
|   | 20%            | 24%         | 27%         | 14%                   | 19%         | 16%                  | 41%         | 12%         | 18%                    | 11%               | 21%                          | 43%              | 4%          | 21%         | 3%          | 38%         | 21%         | 15%         | 31%           | 19%           | 14%                      | 12%         | 12%         | 23%         | 9%          | 14%         | 16%         |
| <b>3 or more activities</b>   | <b>480</b>     | <b>244</b>  | <b>44</b>   | <b>192</b>            | <b>124</b>  | <b>115</b>           | <b>190</b>  | <b>124</b>  | <b>195</b>             | <b>94</b>         | <b>106</b>                   | <b>197</b>       | <b>38</b>   | <b>470</b>  | <b>10</b>   | <b>107</b>  | <b>51</b>   | <b>46</b>   | <b>57</b>     | <b>45</b>     | <b>29</b>                | <b>32</b>   | <b>36</b>   | <b>24</b>   | <b>20</b>   | <b>35</b>   | <b>426</b>  |
|   | 42%            | 47%         | 41%         | 36%                   | 33%         | 40%                  | 75%         | 29%         | 37%                    | 29%               | 50%                          | 69%              | 17%         | 45%         | 10%         | 66%         | 47%         | 31%         | 55%           | 43%           | 33%                      | 32%         | 27%         | 47%         | 35%         | 34%         | 37%         |
| <b>2 or fewer activities</b>  | <b>676</b>     | <b>276</b>  | <b>65</b>   | <b>335</b>            | <b>247</b>  | <b>172</b>           | <b>63</b>   | <b>299</b>  | <b>327</b>             | <b>226</b>        | <b>108</b>                   | <b>90</b>        | <b>181</b>  | <b>584</b>  | <b>90</b>   | <b>55</b>   | <b>59</b>   | <b>101</b>  | <b>46</b>     | <b>59</b>     | <b>58</b>                | <b>69</b>   | <b>98</b>   | <b>27</b>   | <b>38</b>   | <b>67</b>   | <b>730</b>  |
|   | 58%            | 53%         | 59%         | 64%                   | 67%         | 60%                  | 25%         | 71%         | 63%                    | 71%               | 50%                          | 31%              | 83%         | 55%         | 90%         | 34%         | 53%         | 69%         | 45%           | 57%           | 67%                      | 68%         | 73%         | 53%         | 65%         | 66%         | 63%         |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>   | <b>3.20</b>    | <b>3.36</b> | <b>3.44</b> | <b>2.95</b>           | <b>3.10</b> | <b>2.94</b>          | <b>4.43</b> | <b>2.65</b> | <b>3.02</b>            | <b>2.64</b>       | <b>3.34</b>                  | <b>4.29</b>      | <b>2.05</b> | <b>3.28</b> | <b>1.85</b> | <b>3.86</b> | <b>3.50</b> | <b>3.20</b> | <b>3.58</b>   | <b>3.07</b>   | <b>2.87</b>              | <b>2.88</b> | <b>2.76</b> | <b>3.16</b> | <b>2.58</b> | <b>2.74</b> | <b>2.96</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
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Table 23

### Q.5 And which of these, if any, have you done in the last two or three years?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Total             | Urbanity          |                  |                   | Interest in politics |                   | Likelihood to vote |                   | Political activism |                   | Opinion on present system |                   | Knew local MP     |                   | Unwtd total       |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|   |                   | Urban             | Rural            | Mixed             | Interested           | Not interested    | Certain to         | Certain not to    | Activist           | Non-activist      | Works well                | Needs improvement | Yes               | No                |                   |
| Unweighted total  | 1156              | 773               | 145              | 238               | 580                  | 569               | 627                | 143               | 160                | 996               | 327                       | 783               | 495               | 661               | 1156              |
| Weighted total  | 1156              | 784               | 136              | 235               | 611                  | 539               | 619                | 140               | 180                | 976               | 322                       | 793               | 511               | 645               | 1156              |
| <b>Effective Base</b>   | <b>801</b>        | <b>535</b>        | <b>97</b>        | <b>170</b>        | <b>404</b>           | <b>394</b>        | <b>430</b>         | <b>96</b>         | <b>118</b>         | <b>684</b>        | <b>232</b>                | <b>543</b>        | <b>339</b>        | <b>464</b>        | <b>1156</b>       |
| Voted in the last local council election  | 566<br>49%        | 355<br>45%        | 82<br>60%        | 129<br>55%        | 390<br>64%           | 177<br>33%        | 416<br>67%         | 16<br>11%         | 155<br>86%         | 411<br>42%        | 148<br>46%                | 412<br>52%        | 311<br>61%        | 255<br>40%        | 550<br>48%        |
| Donated money or paid a membership fee to a charity or campaigning organisation | 487<br>42%        | 334<br>43%        | 59<br>44%        | 94<br>40%         | 340<br>56%           | 146<br>27%        | 319<br>52%         | 33<br>24%         | 136<br>76%         | 351<br>36%        | 123<br>38%                | 358<br>45%        | 254<br>50%        | 233<br>36%        | 444<br>38%        |
| Discussed politics or political news with someone else                          | 478<br>41%        | 325<br>41%        | 60<br>44%        | 93<br>39%         | 378<br>62%           | 100<br>19%        | 329<br>53%         | 25<br>18%         | 157<br>88%         | 321<br>33%        | 129<br>40%                | 346<br>44%        | 256<br>50%        | 222<br>34%        | 431<br>37%        |
| Signed a petition   | 457<br>40%        | 309<br>39%        | 63<br>46%        | 85<br>36%         | 320<br>52%           | 137<br>26%        | 299<br>48%         | 36<br>26%         | 168<br>94%         | 289<br>30%        | 120<br>37%                | 331<br>42%        | 225<br>44%        | 232<br>36%        | 406<br>35%        |
| Done voluntary work   | 339<br>29%        | 237<br>30%        | 43<br>31%        | 59<br>25%         | 233<br>38%           | 105<br>20%        | 204<br>33%         | 29<br>20%         | 121<br>67%         | 219<br>22%        | 102<br>32%                | 237<br>30%        | 173<br>26%        | 166<br>26%        | 304<br>26%        |
| Boycotted certain products for political, ethical or environmental reasons      | 221<br>19%        | 154<br>20%        | 20<br>15%        | 47<br>20%         | 185<br>30%           | 36<br>7%          | 165<br>27%         | 11<br>8%          | 122<br>68%         | 99<br>10%         | 47<br>15%                 | 174<br>22%        | 126<br>25%        | 95<br>15%         | 186<br>16%        |
| Expressed my political opinions online  | 104<br>9%         | 71<br>9%          | 8<br>6%          | 25<br>11%         | 97<br>16%            | 7<br>1%           | 76<br>12%          | 5<br>4%           | 62<br>35%          | 42<br>4%          | 26<br>8%                  | 78<br>10%         | 66<br>13%         | 38<br>6%          | 87<br>8%          |
| Been to any political meeting   | 92<br>8%          | 64<br>8%          | 12<br>9%         | 16<br>7%          | 84<br>14%            | 8<br>1%           | 69<br>11%          | 6<br>4%           | 70<br>39%          | 23<br>2%          | 20<br>6%                  | 72<br>9%          | 60<br>12%         | 32<br>5%          | 79<br>7%          |
| Donated money or paid a membership fee to a political party                     | 61<br>5%          | 42<br>5%          | 6<br>5%          | 13<br>6%          | 51<br>8%             | 11<br>2%          | 45<br>7%           | 2<br>1%           | 37<br>21%          | 24<br>2%          | 18<br>6%                  | 43<br>5%          | 37<br>7%          | 25<br>4%          | 52<br>4%          |
| Take part in a demonstration, march, or picket/strike                           | 47<br>4%          | 40<br>5%          | 5<br>4%          | 2<br>1%           | 42<br>7%             | 4<br>1%           | 36<br>6%           | 2<br>2%           | 38<br>21%          | 9<br>1%           | 17<br>5%                  | 30<br>4%          | 29<br>6%          | 18<br>3%          | 41<br>4%          |
| None  | 261<br>23%        | 198<br>25%        | 18<br>13%        | 45<br>19%         | 61<br>10%            | 196<br>36%        | 88<br>14%          | 62<br>44%         | -                  | 261<br>27%        | 78<br>24%                 | 155<br>20%        | 90<br>18%         | 171<br>27%        | 281<br>24%        |
| Don't know  | 3<br>*            | 3<br>*            | -                | -                 | 2<br>*               | 1<br>*            | 2<br>*             | -                 | -                  | 3<br>*            | 3<br>1%                   | *                 | 2<br>*            | 1<br>*            | 3<br>*            |
| <b>5 or more activities</b>   | <b>229</b><br>20% | <b>162</b><br>21% | <b>26</b><br>19% | <b>41</b><br>18%  | <b>208</b><br>34%    | <b>21</b><br>4%   | <b>180</b><br>29%  | <b>8</b><br>6%    | <b>148</b><br>82%  | <b>81</b><br>8%   | <b>52</b><br>16%          | <b>177</b><br>22% | <b>141</b><br>28% | <b>89</b><br>14%  | <b>186</b><br>16% |
| <b>3 or more activities</b>   | <b>480</b><br>42% | <b>324</b><br>41% | <b>63</b><br>46% | <b>93</b><br>40%  | <b>366</b><br>60%    | <b>115</b><br>21% | <b>346</b><br>56%  | <b>23</b><br>16%  | <b>176</b><br>98%  | <b>304</b><br>31% | <b>130</b><br>40%         | <b>348</b><br>44% | <b>270</b><br>53% | <b>210</b><br>33% | <b>426</b><br>37% |
| <b>2 or fewer activities</b>  | <b>676</b><br>58% | <b>460</b><br>59% | <b>74</b><br>54% | <b>142</b><br>60% | <b>245</b><br>40%    | <b>424</b><br>79% | <b>272</b><br>44%  | <b>117</b><br>84% | <b>4</b><br>2%     | <b>672</b><br>69% | <b>192</b><br>60%         | <b>446</b><br>56% | <b>241</b><br>47% | <b>435</b><br>67% | <b>730</b><br>63% |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>   | <b>3.20</b>       | <b>3.31</b>       | <b>3.02</b>      | <b>2.97</b>       | <b>3.86</b>          | <b>2.14</b>       | <b>3.71</b>        | <b>2.12</b>       | <b>5.93</b>        | <b>2.51</b>       | <b>3.12</b>               | <b>3.26</b>       | <b>3.67</b>       | <b>2.78</b>       | <b>2.96</b>       |

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Table 24

### Q.5 And which of these, if any, have you done in the last two or three years?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Quiz score        |                   |                   | Satisfaction with local MP |                   | Satisfaction with MPs in general |                   | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |                   | Use of internet   |                   | Unwtd total       |                     |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|--|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
|   | Total             | Scored 0-3        | Scored 4-6        | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied         | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied         | Dissatisfied                           | Agree             | Disagree          | Use internet      |                   | Do not use internet |
| Unweighted total  | 1156              | 210               | 463               | 483                        | 459               | 183                              | 349               | 502                                    | 438               | 450               | 762               | 394               | 1156                |
| Weighted total  | 1156              | 187               | 470               | 499                        | 444               | 190                              | 336               | 515                                    | 427               | 474               | 826               | 330               | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b>   | <b>801</b>        | <b>150</b>        | <b>310</b>        | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b>        | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b>        | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b>        | <b>302</b>        | <b>540</b>        | <b>269</b>        | <b>1156</b>         |
| Voted in the last local council election  | 566<br>49%        | 32<br>17%         | 194<br>41%        | 341<br>68%                 | 264<br>60%        | 87<br>46%                        | 192<br>57%        | 248<br>48%                             | 230<br>54%        | 216<br>46%        | 419<br>51%        | 148<br>45%        | 550<br>48%          |
| Donated money or paid a membership fee to a charity or campaigning organisation | 487<br>42%        | 29<br>16%         | 164<br>35%        | 294<br>59%                 | 217<br>49%        | 81<br>43%                        | 157<br>47%        | 209<br>41%                             | 182<br>43%        | 210<br>44%        | 404<br>49%        | 83<br>25%         | 444<br>38%          |
| Discussed politics or political news with someone else                          | 478<br>41%        | 18<br>10%         | 155<br>33%        | 305<br>61%                 | 199<br>45%        | 79<br>42%                        | 153<br>45%        | 203<br>39%                             | 192<br>45%        | 197<br>42%        | 398<br>48%        | 80<br>24%         | 431<br>37%          |
| Signed a petition   | 457<br>40%        | 32<br>17%         | 159<br>34%        | 266<br>53%                 | 194<br>44%        | 76<br>40%                        | 138<br>41%        | 199<br>39%                             | 178<br>42%        | 192<br>40%        | 399<br>48%        | 58<br>18%         | 406<br>35%          |
| Done voluntary work   | 339<br>29%        | 24<br>13%         | 109<br>23%        | 206<br>41%                 | 156<br>35%        | 57<br>30%                        | 125<br>37%        | 128<br>25%                             | 142<br>33%        | 128<br>27%        | 268<br>32%        | 71<br>21%         | 304<br>26%          |
| Boycotted certain products for political, ethical or environmental reasons      | 221<br>19%        | 4<br>2%           | 57<br>12%         | 160<br>32%                 | 93<br>21%         | 43<br>22%                        | 77<br>23%         | 90<br>18%                              | 87<br>20%         | 95<br>20%         | 196<br>24%        | 25<br>7%          | 186<br>16%          |
| Expressed my political opinions online  | 104<br>9%         | 2<br>1%           | 30<br>6%          | 72<br>14%                  | 48<br>11%         | 29<br>15%                        | 40<br>12%         | 41<br>8%                               | 39<br>9%          | 46<br>10%         | 99<br>12%         | 5<br>1%           | 87<br>8%            |
| Been to any political meeting   | 92<br>8%          | 3<br>2%           | 23<br>5%          | 66<br>13%                  | 53<br>12%         | 17<br>9%                         | 39<br>12%         | 39<br>8%                               | 41<br>10%         | 41<br>9%          | 76<br>9%          | 16<br>5%          | 79<br>7%            |
| Donated money or paid a membership fee to a political party                     | 61<br>5%          | 4<br>2%           | 12<br>2%          | 45<br>9%                   | 31<br>7%          | 10<br>5%                         | 24<br>7%          | 23<br>4%                               | 30<br>7%          | 22<br>5%          | 51<br>6%          | 11<br>3%          | 52<br>4%            |
| Take part in a demonstration, march, or picket/strike                           | 47<br>4%          | 2<br>1%           | 5<br>1%           | 39<br>8%                   | 27<br>6%          | 8<br>4%                          | 24<br>7%          | 12<br>2%                               | 25<br>6%          | 18<br>4%          | 37<br>4%          | 10<br>3%          | 41<br>4%            |
| None  | 261<br>23%        | 106<br>56%        | 118<br>25%        | 38<br>8%                   | 87<br>20%         | 48<br>25%                        | 67<br>20%         | 114<br>22%                             | 93<br>22%         | 102<br>21%        | 152<br>18%        | 109<br>33%        | 281<br>24%          |
| Don't know  | 3<br>*            | 1<br>*            | 2<br>*            | -<br>-                     | 2<br>*            | *<br>*                           | 3<br>1%           | *<br>*                                 | *<br>*            | 2<br>*            | *<br>*            | 2<br>1%           | 3<br>*              |
| <b>5 or more activities</b>   | <b>229</b><br>20% | <b>3</b><br>2%    | <b>49</b><br>10%  | <b>177</b><br>36%          | <b>117</b><br>26% | <b>44</b><br>23%                 | <b>83</b><br>25%  | <b>88</b><br>17%                       | <b>104</b><br>24% | <b>91</b><br>19%  | <b>207</b><br>25% | <b>23</b><br>7%   | <b>186</b><br>16%   |
| <b>3 or more activities</b>   | <b>480</b><br>42% | <b>19</b><br>10%  | <b>146</b><br>31% | <b>315</b><br>63%          | <b>218</b><br>49% | <b>82</b><br>43%                 | <b>162</b><br>48% | <b>199</b><br>39%                      | <b>196</b><br>46% | <b>195</b><br>41% | <b>407</b><br>49% | <b>74</b><br>22%  | <b>426</b><br>37%   |
| <b>2 or fewer activities</b>  | <b>676</b><br>58% | <b>168</b><br>90% | <b>323</b><br>69% | <b>184</b><br>37%          | <b>226</b><br>51% | <b>108</b><br>57%                | <b>174</b><br>52% | <b>316</b><br>61%                      | <b>231</b><br>54% | <b>279</b><br>59% | <b>419</b><br>51% | <b>256</b><br>78% | <b>730</b><br>63%   |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>   | <b>3.20</b>       | <b>1.85</b>       | <b>2.60</b>       | <b>3.89</b>                | <b>3.62</b>       | <b>3.43</b>                      | <b>3.63</b>       | <b>2.98</b>                            | <b>3.44</b>       | <b>3.15</b>       | <b>3.48</b>       | <b>2.32</b>       | <b>2.96</b>         |

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Table 25

### Q.5 And which of these, if any, have you done in the last two or three years?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Seat marginality  |                       |                          |                         | Segment           |                       |                    |                       |                   |                       |                  |                        | Unwtd total       |                   |
|---|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|------------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|   | Total             | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%)       | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics   | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic  | Disengaged/mistrustful |                   | Alienated/hostile |
| Unweighted total  | 1156              | 163                   | 351                      | 386                     | 419               | 96                    | 142                | 146                   | 228               | 62                    | 93               | 287                    | 102               | 1156              |
| Weighted total  | 1156              | 175                   | 373                      | 396                     | 387               | 116                   | 157                | 159                   | 191               | 66                    | 92               | 277                    | 99                | 1156              |
| <b>Effective Base</b>   | <b>801</b>        | <b>113</b>            | <b>251</b>               | <b>263</b>              | <b>290</b>        | <b>72</b>             | <b>101</b>         | <b>92</b>             | <b>160</b>        | <b>49</b>             | <b>66</b>        | <b>209</b>             | <b>63</b>         | <b>1156</b>       |
| Voted in the last local council election  | 566<br>49%        | 101<br>58%            | 211<br>57%               | 193<br>49%              | 162<br>42%        | 105<br>91%            | 140<br>90%         | 136<br>85%            | 107<br>56%        | 28<br>42%             | 22<br>23%        | 27<br>10%              | 1<br>1%           | 550<br>48%        |
| Donated money or paid a membership fee to a charity or campaigning organisation | 487<br>42%        | 93<br>53%             | 185<br>50%               | 182<br>46%              | 120<br>31%        | 102<br>88%            | 137<br>87%         | 104<br>65%            | 24<br>13%         | 26<br>39%             | 6<br>7%          | 85<br>31%              | 3<br>3%           | 444<br>38%        |
| Discussed politics or political news with someone else                          | 478<br>41%        | 93<br>53%             | 185<br>50%               | 164<br>41%              | 129<br>33%        | 107<br>93%            | 142<br>90%         | 127<br>80%            | 7<br>4%           | 19<br>30%             | 1<br>1%          | 71<br>26%              | 4<br>4%           | 431<br>37%        |
| Signed a petition   | 457<br>40%        | 81<br>46%             | 163<br>44%               | 172<br>43%              | 122<br>32%        | 95<br>82%             | 104<br>67%         | 79<br>50%             | 39<br>20%         | 26<br>39%             | 19<br>20%        | 84<br>30%              | 11<br>11%         | 406<br>35%        |
| Done voluntary work   | 339<br>29%        | 54<br>31%             | 115<br>31%               | 131<br>33%              | 93<br>24%         | 91<br>79%             | 99<br>63%          | 15<br>9%              | 7<br>4%           | 54<br>81%             | 7<br>8%          | 56<br>20%              | 10<br>10%         | 304<br>26%        |
| Boycotted certain products for political, ethical or environmental reasons      | 221<br>19%        | 45<br>26%             | 87<br>23%                | 92<br>23%               | 42<br>11%         | 69<br>59%             | 88<br>56%          | 14<br>9%              | 4<br>2%           | 10<br>16%             | 4<br>4%          | 29<br>10%              | 3<br>3%           | 186<br>16%        |
| Expressed my political opinions online  | 104<br>9%         | 15<br>8%              | 36<br>10%                | 46<br>12%               | 22<br>6%          | 47<br>40%             | 31<br>20%          | 9<br>6%               | 4<br>2%           | 1<br>2%               | 2<br>3%          | 8<br>3%                | 1<br>1%           | 87<br>8%          |
| Been to any political meeting   | 92<br>8%          | 10<br>6%              | 31<br>8%                 | 41<br>10%               | 21<br>5%          | 44<br>38%             | 13<br>8%           | 14<br>9%              | 7<br>4%           | 5<br>8%               | 2<br>2%          | 7<br>2%                | 1<br>1%           | 79<br>7%          |
| Donated money or paid a membership fee to a political party                     | 61<br>5%          | 16<br>9%              | 28<br>8%                 | 16<br>4%                | 17<br>5%          | 22<br>19%             | 10<br>6%           | 9<br>5%               | 7<br>4%           | 3<br>4%               | -<br>-           | 11<br>4%               | -<br>-            | 52<br>4%          |
| Take part in a demonstration, march, or picket/strike                           | 47<br>4%          | 7<br>4%               | 21<br>6%                 | 19<br>5%                | 6<br>2%           | 19<br>16%             | 10<br>7%           | 5<br>3%               | -<br>-            | 2<br>3%               | 3<br>3%          | 7<br>2%                | 1<br>1%           | 41<br>4%          |
| None  | 261<br>23%        | 21<br>12%             | 62<br>17%                | 87<br>22%               | 112<br>29%        | -<br>-                | -<br>-             | -<br>-                | 48<br>25%         | 1<br>2%               | 47<br>51%        | 98<br>36%              | 67<br>68%         | 281<br>24%        |
| Don't know  | 3<br>*            | -<br>-                | -<br>-                   | *<br>-                  | 2<br>1%           | -<br>-                | -<br>-             | -<br>-                | -<br>-            | -<br>-                | 2<br>2%          | 1<br>*                 | -<br>-            | 3<br>*            |
| <b>5 or more activities</b>   | <b>229</b><br>20% | <b>43</b><br>25%      | <b>96</b><br>26%         | <b>92</b><br>23%        | <b>41</b><br>11%  | <b>89</b><br>77%      | <b>99</b><br>63%   | <b>23</b><br>15%      | <b>2</b><br>1%    | <b>7</b><br>10%       | -<br>-           | <b>10</b><br>4%        | -<br>-            | <b>186</b><br>16% |
| <b>3 or more activities</b>   | <b>480</b><br>42% | <b>96</b><br>55%      | <b>186</b><br>50%        | <b>176</b><br>44%       | <b>118</b><br>31% | <b>113</b><br>98%     | <b>151</b><br>96%  | <b>113</b><br>71%     | <b>14</b><br>7%   | <b>32</b><br>49%      | <b>3</b><br>3%   | <b>55</b><br>20%       | <b>*</b><br>*     | <b>426</b><br>37% |
| <b>2 or fewer activities</b>  | <b>676</b><br>58% | <b>79</b><br>45%      | <b>187</b><br>50%        | <b>220</b><br>56%       | <b>268</b><br>69% | <b>3</b><br>2%        | <b>6</b><br>4%     | <b>47</b><br>29%      | <b>177</b><br>93% | <b>34</b><br>51%      | <b>89</b><br>97% | <b>222</b><br>80%      | <b>98</b><br>100% | <b>730</b><br>63% |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>   | <b>3.20</b>       | <b>3.33</b>           | <b>3.41</b>              | <b>3.42</b>             | <b>2.70</b>       | <b>6.06</b>           | <b>4.94</b>        | <b>3.22</b>           | <b>1.44</b>       | <b>2.70</b>           | <b>1.54</b>      | <b>2.17</b>            | <b>1.12</b>       | <b>2.96</b>       |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 26

### Q.5 And which of these, if any, have you done in the last two or three years?

Base : All respondents age 18+

| Q.5 And which of these, if any, have you done in the last two or three years?   |                |             |  |   |  |                   |                     |  |  |                               |   |   |            |            |                      |                      |                       |                            |
|---|----------------|-------------|--|---|--|-------------------|---------------------|--|--|-------------------------------|---|---|------------|------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
|   | Effective Base | Total       | Voted in the last local council election | Donated money or paid a membership fee to a charity or campaigning organisation | Discussed politics or political news with someone else | Signed a petition | Done voluntary work | Boycotted certain products for political, ethical or environmental reasons | Expressed my political opinions online | Been to any political meeting | Donated money or paid a membership fee to a political party | Take part in a demonstration, march, or picket/strike | None       | Don't know | 5 or more activities | 3 or more activities | 2 or fewer activities | Average number of Mentions |
| Unweighted total  | 1156           | 1156        | 550                                      | 444   | 431  | 406               | 304                 | 186  | 87                                     | 79                            | 52  | 41  | 281        | 3          | 186                  | 426                  | 730                   | 2.96                       |
| Weighted total  | 801            | 1156        | 566                                      | 487   | 478  | 457               | 339                 | 221  | 104                                    | 92                            | 61  | 47  | 261        | 3          | 229                  | 480                  | 676                   | 3.20                       |
| <b>Effective Base</b>   | <b>1668</b>    | <b>801</b>  | <b>376</b>                               | <b>315</b>  | <b>309</b>   | <b>285</b>        | <b>222</b>          | <b>139</b>   | <b>65</b>                              | <b>57</b>                     | <b>41</b>   | <b>33</b>   | <b>187</b> | <b>2</b>   | <b>135</b>           | <b>303</b>           | <b>504</b>            | <b>3.00</b>                |
| Voted in the last local council election  | 376            | 566         | 566                                      | 338   | 343  | 307               | 219                 | 172  | 82                                     | 71                            | 43  | 34  | -          | -          | 205                  | 393                  | 173                   | 3.84                       |
|   |                | 49%         | 100%                                     | 69%   | 72%  | 67%               | 65%                 | 78%  | 79%                                    | 77%                           | 69%   | 72%   | -          | -          | 89%                  | 82%                  | 26%                   |                            |
| Donated money or paid a membership fee to a charity or campaigning organisation | 315            | 487         | 338                                      | 487   | 330  | 299               | 234                 | 169  | 90                                     | 66                            | 46  | 30  | -          | -          | 208                  | 392                  | 95                    | 4.29                       |
|   |                | 42%         | 60%                                      | 100%  | 69%  | 65%               | 69%                 | 76%  | 86%                                    | 71%                           | 75%   | 64%   | -          | -          | 90%                  | 82%                  | 14%                   |                            |
| Discussed politics or political news with someone else                          | 309            | 478         | 343                                      | 330   | 478  | 292               | 216                 | 182  | 89                                     | 75                            | 45  | 39  | -          | -          | 219                  | 385                  | 93                    | 4.37                       |
|   |                | 41%         | 61%                                      | 68%   | 100%   | 64%               | 64%                 | 82%  | 85%                                    | 81%                           | 73%   | 83%   | -          | -          | 96%                  | 80%                  | 14%                   |                            |
| Signed a petition   | 285            | 457         | 307                                      | 299   | 292  | 457               | 201                 | 168  | 84                                     | 73                            | 46  | 38  | -          | -          | 207                  | 354                  | 103                   | 4.30                       |
|   |                | 40%         | 54%                                      | 61%   | 61%  | 100%              | 59%                 | 76%  | 81%                                    | 79%                           | 75%   | 81%   | -          | -          | 90%                  | 74%                  | 15%                   |                            |
| Done voluntary work   | 222            | 339         | 219                                      | 234   | 216  | 201               | 339                 | 129  | 61                                     | 58                            | 26  | 35  | -          | -          | 168                  | 263                  | 76                    | 4.48                       |
|   |                | 29%         | 39%                                      | 48%   | 45%  | 44%               | 100%                | 58%  | 59%                                    | 62%                           | 43%   | 74%   | -          | -          | 73%                  | 55%                  | 11%                   |                            |
| Boycotted certain products for political, ethical or environmental reasons      | 139            | 221         | 172                                      | 169   | 182  | 168               | 129                 | 221  | 67                                     | 44                            | 25  | 29  | -          | -          | 156                  | 206                  | 15                    | 5.45                       |
|   |                | 19%         | 30%                                      | 35%   | 38%  | 37%               | 38%                 | 100%   | 64%                                    | 48%                           | 41%   | 62%   | -          | -          | 68%                  | 43%                  | 2%                    |                            |
| Expressed my political opinions online  | 65             | 104         | 82                                       | 90  | 89   | 84                | 61                  | 67   | 104                                    | 34                            | 19  | 17  | -          | -          | 86                   | 97                   | 7                     | 6.21                       |
|   |                | 9%          | 14%                                      | 18%   | 19%  | 18%               | 18%                 | 30%  | 100%                                   | 36%                           | 31%   | 37%   | -          | -          | 37%                  | 20%                  | 1%                    |                            |
| Been to any political meeting   | 57             | 92          | 71                                       | 66  | 75   | 73                | 58                  | 44   | 34                                     | 92                            | 23  | 20  | -          | -          | 69                   | 86                   | 7                     | 6.02                       |
|   |                | 8%          | 13%                                      | 14%   | 16%  | 16%               | 17%                 | 20%  | 32%                                    | 100%                          | 38%   | 42%   | -          | -          | 30%                  | 18%                  | 1%                    |                            |
| Donated money or paid a membership fee to a political party                     | 41             | 61          | 43                                       | 46  | 45   | 46                | 26                  | 25   | 19                                     | 23                            | 61  | 5   | -          | -          | 41                   | 52                   | 9                     | 5.52                       |
|   |                | 5%          | 8%                                       | 9%  | 9%   | 10%               | 8%                  | 11%  | 18%                                    | 25%                           | 100%  | 10%   | -          | -          | 18%                  | 11%                  | 1%                    |                            |
| Take part in a demonstration, march, or picket/strike                           | 33             | 47          | 34                                       | 30  | 39   | 38                | 35                  | 29   | 17                                     | 20                            | 5   | 47  | -          | -          | 37                   | 43                   | 4                     | 6.26                       |
|   |                | 4%          | 6%                                       | 6%  | 8%   | 8%                | 10%                 | 13%  | 17%                                    | 21%                           | 8%  | 100%  | -          | -          | 16%                  | 9%                   | 1%                    |                            |
| None  | 187            | 261         | -  | -   | -  | -                 | -                   | -  | -                                      | -                             | -   | -   | 261        | -          | -                    | -                    | 261                   | -                          |
|   |                | 23%         | -  | -   | -  | -                 | -                   | -  | -                                      | -                             | -   | -   | 100%       | -          | -                    | -                    | 39%                   |                            |
| Don't know  | 2              | 3           | -  | -   | -  | -                 | -                   | -  | -                                      | -                             | -   | -   | -          | 3          | -                    | -                    | 3                     | -                          |
|   |                | *           | -  | -   | -  | -                 | -                   | -  | -                                      | -                             | -   | -   | -          | 100%       | -                    | -                    | *                     |                            |
| <b>5 or more activities</b>   | <b>135</b>     | <b>229</b>  | <b>205</b>                               | <b>208</b>  | <b>219</b>   | <b>207</b>        | <b>168</b>          | <b>156</b>   | <b>86</b>                              | <b>69</b>                     | <b>41</b>   | <b>37</b>   | -          | -          | <b>229</b>           | <b>229</b>           | -                     | <b>6.08</b>                |
|   |                | 20%         | 36%                                      | 43%   | 46%  | 45%               | 50%                 | 70%  | 82%                                    | 75%                           | 67%   | 78%   | -          | -          | 100%                 | 48%                  | -                     |                            |
| <b>3 or more activities</b>   | <b>303</b>     | <b>480</b>  | <b>393</b>                               | <b>392</b>  | <b>385</b>   | <b>354</b>        | <b>263</b>          | <b>206</b>   | <b>97</b>                              | <b>86</b>                     | <b>52</b>   | <b>43</b>   | -          | -          | <b>229</b>           | <b>480</b>           | -                     | <b>4.73</b>                |
|   |                | 42%         | 69%                                      | 81%   | 81%  | 77%               | 78%                 | 93%  | 94%                                    | 93%                           | 85%   | 92%   | -          | -          | 100%                 | 100%                 | -                     |                            |
| <b>2 or fewer activities</b>  | <b>504</b>     | <b>676</b>  | <b>173</b>                               | <b>95</b>   | <b>93</b>  | <b>103</b>        | <b>76</b>           | <b>15</b>  | <b>7</b>                               | <b>7</b>                      | <b>9</b>  | <b>4</b>  | <b>261</b> | <b>3</b>   | -                    | -                    | <b>676</b>            | <b>1.41</b>                |
|   |                | 58%         | 31%                                      | 19%   | 19%  | 23%               | 22%                 | 7%   | 6%                                     | 7%                            | 15%   | 8%  | 100%       | 100%       | -                    | -                    | 100%                  |                            |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>   | <b>3.00</b>    | <b>3.20</b> | <b>3.84</b>                              | <b>4.29</b>   | <b>4.37</b>  | <b>4.30</b>       | <b>4.48</b>         | <b>5.45</b>  | <b>6.21</b>                            | <b>6.02</b>                   | <b>5.52</b>   | <b>6.26</b>   | -          | -          | <b>6.08</b>          | <b>4.73</b>          | <b>1.41</b>           | <b>1.41</b>                |

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Table 27

### Q.6 And which of these, if any, have you done in the last two or three years?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Gender           |                  | Age              |                   |                  |                  |                  |                 |            |                 |                   |                  | Social class     |                  |                  |                  |                 |                  | Region           |                  |                  | Marital status   |                  |                       | Unwtd total     |                                |
|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|
|   | Total            | Male             | Female           | 18-24             | 25-34            | 35-44            | 45-54            | 55-64           | 65-74      | 75+             | 18-34             | 35-54            | 55+              | AB               | C1               | C2               | DE              | ABC1             | C2DE             | North            | South            | Mid lands        | Single           | Married /Co-hab iting |                 | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |
| Unweighted total  | 1156             | 552              | 604              | 138               | 207              | 206              | 141              | 170             | 159        | 135             | 345               | 347              | 464              | 224              | 353              | 257              | 322             | 577              | 579              | 438              | 339              | 379              | 290              | 669                   | 197             | 1156                           |
| Weighted total  | 1156             | 561              | 595              | 173               | 183              | 216              | 186              | 169             | 117        | 111             | 356               | 402              | 398              | 310              | 333              | 241              | 272             | 642              | 514              | 387              | 411              | 358              | 306              | 681                   | 169             | 1156                           |
| <b>Effective Base</b>   | <b>801</b>       | <b>391</b>       | <b>410</b>       | <b>98</b>         | <b>145</b>       | <b>149</b>       | <b>105</b>       | <b>117</b>      | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b>       | <b>236</b>        | <b>252</b>       | <b>323</b>       | <b>161</b>       | <b>256</b>       | <b>191</b>       | <b>222</b>      | <b>401</b>       | <b>413</b>       | <b>312</b>       | <b>250</b>       | <b>251</b>       | <b>203</b>       | <b>463</b>            | <b>139</b>      | <b>1156</b>                    |
| Joined a political group on Facebook  | 44<br>4%         | 25<br>4%         | 19<br>3%         | 16<br>9%          | 14<br>8%         | 9<br>4%          | 5<br>3%          | -               | -          | -               | 30<br>8%          | 15<br>4%         | -                | 13<br>4%         | 13<br>4%         | 11<br>4%         | 8<br>3%         | 25<br>4%         | 19<br>4%         | 19<br>5%         | 13<br>3%         | 12<br>3%         | 21<br>7%         | 23<br>3%              | -               | 36<br>3%                       |
| Followed a politician or political group on Twitter   | 20<br>2%         | 8<br>1%          | 11<br>2%         | 10<br>6%          | 2<br>1%          | 1<br>1%          | 4<br>2%          | 2<br>1%         | -          | -               | 12<br>3%          | 6<br>1%          | 2<br>*           | 3<br>1%          | 8<br>3%          | 6<br>2%          | 3<br>1%         | 11<br>2%         | 9<br>2%          | 6<br>2%          | 8<br>2%          | 8<br>2%          | 6<br>1%          | 9<br>2%               | 3<br>2%         | 15<br>1%                       |
| Served as a school governor   | 27<br>2%         | 6<br>1%          | 21<br>4%         | 1<br>1%           | 3<br>2%          | 3<br>1%          | 15<br>8%         | 3<br>2%         | *          | 2<br>1%         | 5<br>1%           | 17<br>4%         | 5<br>1%          | 19<br>6%         | 4<br>1%          | -                | 3<br>1%         | 24<br>4%         | 3<br>1%          | 7<br>2%          | 15<br>4%         | 5<br>1%          | 2<br>1%          | 22<br>3%              | 3<br>2%         | 21<br>2%                       |
| Served as a hospital governor   | 6<br>*           | 1<br>*           | 5<br>1%          | 1<br>1%           | -                | -                | -                | 5<br>3%         | -          | -               | 1<br>*            | -                | 5<br>1%          | 4<br>1%          | 1<br>*           | -                | 1<br>*          | 5<br>1%          | 1<br>*           | 1<br>*           | 1<br>*           | 1<br>1%          | 4<br>1%          | 4<br>1%               | 1<br>*          | 3<br>*                         |
| Served as a local magistrate  | 2<br>*           | 2<br>*           | -                | -                 | -                | -                | 2<br>1%          | -               | -          | -               | -                 | -                | 2<br>*           | 1<br>*           | 1<br>*           | -                | -               | 2<br>*           | -                | 1<br>*           | -                | 1<br>*           | -                | 2<br>*                | -               | 2<br>*                         |
| None of these   | 1062<br>92%      | 522<br>93%       | 541<br>91%       | 149<br>86%        | 166<br>90%       | 205<br>95%       | 161<br>87%       | 158<br>93%      | 116<br>99% | 108<br>97%      | 314<br>88%        | 366<br>91%       | 382<br>96%       | 272<br>88%       | 304<br>91%       | 228<br>95%       | 258<br>95%      | 576<br>90%       | 486<br>95%       | 358<br>93%       | 372<br>90%       | 333<br>93%       | 275<br>90%       | 626<br>92%            | 162<br>96%      | 1078<br>93%                    |
| Don't know  | 7<br>1%          | 2<br>*           | 5<br>1%          | -                 | 3<br>2%          | -                | -                | 1<br>*          | 1<br>1%    | 2<br>2%         | 3<br>1%           | -                | 3<br>1%          | 2<br>1%          | 2<br>1%          | -                | 3<br>1%         | 4<br>1%          | 3<br>*           | 1<br>*           | 4<br>1%          | 2<br>*           | 3<br>1%          | 1<br>*                | 1<br>*          | 10<br>1%                       |
| <b>Joined a political group on Facebook/Followed a politician or political group on Twitter</b> | <b>58<br/>5%</b> | <b>32<br/>6%</b> | <b>25<br/>4%</b> | <b>23<br/>13%</b> | <b>14<br/>8%</b> | <b>10<br/>4%</b> | <b>10<br/>5%</b> | <b>2<br/>1%</b> | <b>-</b>   | <b>-</b>        | <b>36<br/>10%</b> | <b>19<br/>5%</b> | <b>2<br/>*</b>   | <b>15<br/>5%</b> | <b>21<br/>6%</b> | <b>13<br/>5%</b> | <b>8<br/>3%</b> | <b>36<br/>6%</b> | <b>21<br/>4%</b> | <b>23<br/>6%</b> | <b>21<br/>5%</b> | <b>14<br/>4%</b> | <b>27<br/>9%</b> | <b>28<br/>4%</b>      | <b>3<br/>2%</b> | <b>46<br/>4%</b>               |
| <b>Served as a school/hospital governor/local magistrate</b>                                    | <b>35<br/>3%</b> | <b>9<br/>2%</b>  | <b>26<br/>4%</b> | <b>2<br/>1%</b>   | <b>3<br/>2%</b>  | <b>3<br/>1%</b>  | <b>15<br/>8%</b> | <b>9<br/>6%</b> | <b>*</b>   | <b>2<br/>1%</b> | <b>6<br/>2%</b>   | <b>17<br/>4%</b> | <b>11<br/>3%</b> | <b>24<br/>8%</b> | <b>6<br/>2%</b>  | <b>-</b>         | <b>4<br/>2%</b> | <b>30<br/>5%</b> | <b>4<br/>1%</b>  | <b>9<br/>2%</b>  | <b>15<br/>4%</b> | <b>10<br/>3%</b> | <b>3<br/>1%</b>  | <b>28<br/>4%</b>      | <b>4<br/>2%</b> | <b>26<br/>2%</b>               |

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Table 28

### Q.6 And which of these, if any, have you done in the last two or three years?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity  |            | GO Region  |           |           |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           | Unwtd total |            |             |
|--|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|  | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME        | South East | Eastern   | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland   |             |
| Unweighted total   | 1156           | 425        | 109         | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548                    | 318               | 183                          | 258              | 274        | 1007       | 146        | 116       | 102       | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68        | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total   | 1156           | 520        | 109         | 527                   | 372        | 287                  | 253        | 423        | 522                    | 320               | 213                          | 287              | 219        | 1054       | 100        | 162       | 110       | 147        | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101        | 134        | 51        | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>  | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b> | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b>             | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b> | <b>703</b> | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b> | <b>72</b> | <b>86</b>  | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b> | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| Joined a political group on Facebook   | 44             | 27         | 2           | 15                    | 17         | 14                   | 20         | 16         | 13                     | 10                | 12                           | 17               | 2          | 39         | 5          | 4         | 6         | 9          | 1             | 1             | 2                        | 3          | 11         | 6         | 2           | -          | 36          |
|  | 4%             | 5%         | 2%          | 3%                    | 5%         | 5%                   | 8%         | 4%         | 3%                     | 3%                | 5%                           | 6%               | 1%         | 4%         | 5%         | 2%        | 6%        | 6%         | 1%            | 1%            | 2%                       | 3%         | 8%         | 11%       | 3%          | -          | 3%          |
| Followed a politician or political group on Twitter                                      | 20             | 8          | -           | 11                    | 5          | 3                    | 11         | 5          | 7                      | 4                 | 10                           | 5                | *          | 18         | 1          | 6         | 3         | -          | 2             | 2             | -                        | -          | 3          | 2         | 1           | 2          | 15          |
|  | 2%             | 2%         | -           | 2%                    | 1%         | 1%                   | 5%         | 1%         | 1%                     | 1%                | 5%                           | 2%               | *          | 2%         | 1%         | 4%        | 3%        | -          | 2%            | 2%            | -                        | -          | 2%         | 3%        | 1%          | 2%         | 1%          |
| Served as a school governor  | 27             | 13         | 3           | 11                    | 16         | 4                    | 13         | 5          | 10                     | 1                 | 9                            | 15               | -          | 26         | 1          | 12        | 1         | 2          | 1             | 2             | 1                        | 2          | 3          | 2         | 1           | -          | 21          |
|  | 2%             | 3%         | 2%          | 2%                    | 4%         | 1%                   | 5%         | 1%         | 2%                     | *                 | 4%                           | 5%               | -          | 2%         | 1%         | 8%        | 1%        | 1%         | 1%            | 2%            | 1%                       | 2%         | 2%         | 5%        | 1%          | -          | 2%          |
| Served as a hospital governor  | 6              | 5          | -           | 1                     | -          | 4                    | 5          | 1          | -                      | -                 | 5                            | -                | 1          | 6          | -          | -         | -         | -          | 1             | -             | 4                        | -          | -          | -         | -           | 1          | 3           |
|  | *              | 1%         | -           | *                     | -          | 1%                   | 2%         | *          | -                      | -                 | 2%                           | -                | 1          | 1%         | -          | -         | -         | -          | 1%            | -             | 5%                       | -          | -          | -         | -           | 1%         | *           |
| Served as a local magistrate   | 2              | 1          | -           | 1                     | -          | -                    | 1          | 1          | -                      | -                 | 1                            | 1                | -          | 2          | -          | -         | -         | -          | -             | 1             | -                        | -          | -          | -         | -           | 1          | 2           |
|  | *              | *          | -           | *                     | -          | -                    | *          | *          | -                      | -                 | *                            | *                | -          | *          | -          | -         | -         | -          | -             | 1%            | -                        | -          | -          | -         | -           | 1%         | *           |
| None of these  | 1062           | 470        | 104         | 488                   | 336        | 262                  | 211        | 395        | 490                    | 303               | 185                          | 247              | 215        | 969        | 91         | 139       | 103       | 136        | 97            | 97            | 79                       | 96         | 121        | 44        | 54          | 98         | 1078        |
|  | 92%            | 90%        | 95%         | 93%                   | 90%        | 91%                  | 83%        | 93%        | 94%                    | 95%               | 87%                          | 86%              | 98%        | 92%        | 91%        | 86%       | 93%       | 93%        | 94%           | 93%           | 91%                      | 95%        | 90%        | 86%       | 94%         | 96%        | 93%         |
| Don't know   | 7              | 1          | 1           | 5                     | 2          | 2                    | 2          | 2          | 3                      | 3                 | *                            | 2                | 2          | 5          | 2          | 1         | -         | 1          | 2             | *             | 1                        | -          | -          | -         | 1           | 1          | 10          |
|  | 1%             | *          | 1%          | 1%                    | 1%         | 1%                   | 1%         | *          | 1%                     | 1%                | *                            | 1%               | 1%         | *          | 2%         | 1%        | -         | 1%         | 2%            | *             | 1%                       | -          | -          | -         | 1%          | 1%         | 1%          |
| Joined a political group on Facebook/Followed a politician or political group on Twitter | 58             | 32         | 2           | 24                    | 21         | 16                   | 26         | 20         | 19                     | 13                | 18                           | 21               | 2          | 51         | 7          | 10        | 6         | 9          | 3             | 3             | 2                        | 3          | 13         | 6         | 2           | 2          | 46          |
|  | 5%             | 6%         | 2%          | 5%                    | 6%         | 5%                   | 10%        | 5%         | 4%                     | 4%                | 9%                           | 7%               | 1%         | 5%         | 7%         | 6%        | 6%        | 6%         | 3%            | 3%            | 2%                       | 3%         | 9%         | 12%       | 3%          | 2%         | 4%          |
| Served as a school/hospital governor/local magistrate                                    | 35             | 20         | 3           | 13                    | 16         | 8                    | 18         | 7          | 10                     | 1                 | 14                           | 16               | 1          | 33         | 1          | 12        | 1         | 2          | 2             | 3             | 5                        | 2          | 3          | 2         | 1           | 2          | 26          |
|  | 3%             | 4%         | 2%          | 2%                    | 4%         | 3%                   | 7%         | 2%         | 2%                     | *                 | 7%                           | 6%               | *          | 3%         | 1%         | 8%        | 1%        | 1%         | 2%            | 3%            | 6%                       | 2%         | 2%         | 5%        | 1%          | 2%         | 2%          |

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Table 29

### Q.6 And which of these, if any, have you done in the last two or three years?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Urbanity         |                  |                 | Interest in politics |                  | Likelihood to vote |                  | Political activism |                   | Opinion on present system |                  | Knew local MP     |                  | Unwtd total      |                  |
|---|------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
|   | Total            | Urban            | Rural           | Mixed                | Interested       | Not interested     | Certain to       | Certain not to     | Activist          | Non-activist              | Works well       | Needs improvement | Yes              |                  | No               |
| Unweighted total  | 1156             | 773              | 145             | 238                  | 580              | 569                | 627              | 143                | 160               | 996                       | 327              | 783               | 495              | 661              | 1156             |
| Weighted total  | 1156             | 784              | 136             | 235                  | 611              | 539                | 619              | 140                | 180               | 976                       | 322              | 793               | 511              | 645              | 1156             |
| <b>Effective Base</b>   | <b>801</b>       | <b>535</b>       | <b>97</b>       | <b>170</b>           | <b>404</b>       | <b>394</b>         | <b>430</b>       | <b>96</b>          | <b>118</b>        | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b>       | <b>543</b>        | <b>339</b>       | <b>464</b>       | <b>1156</b>      |
| Joined a political group on Facebook  | 44<br>4%         | 33<br>4%         | 2<br>1%         | 9<br>4%              | 30<br>5%         | 14<br>3%           | 29<br>5%         | 3<br>2%            | 22<br>12%         | 22<br>2%                  | 14<br>4%         | 29<br>4%          | 17<br>3%         | 27<br>4%         | 36<br>3%         |
| Followed a politician or political group on Twitter   | 20<br>2%         | 18<br>2%         | -               | 2<br>1%              | 20<br>3%         | -                  | 15<br>2%         | 1<br>1%            | 12<br>6%          | 8<br>1%                   | 9<br>3%          | 11<br>1%          | 13<br>3%         | 7<br>1%          | 15<br>1%         |
| Served as a school governor   | 27<br>2%         | 17<br>2%         | 3<br>3%         | 7<br>3%              | 23<br>4%         | 4<br>1%            | 22<br>4%         | 3<br>2%            | 14<br>8%          | 13<br>1%                  | 14<br>4%         | 13<br>2%          | 15<br>3%         | 13<br>2%         | 21<br>2%         |
| Served as a hospital governor   | 6<br>*           | 1<br>*           | 1<br>1%         | 4<br>2%              | 6<br>1%          | -                  | 5<br>1%          | -                  | 1<br>*            | 5<br>1%                   | 1<br>*           | 5<br>1%           | 5<br>1%          | 1<br>*           | 3<br>*           |
| Served as a local magistrate  | 2<br>*           | 2<br>*           | -               | -                    | 2<br>*           | -                  | 2<br>*           | -                  | 2<br>1%           | -                         | 2<br>1%          | -                 | 1<br>*           | 1<br>*           | 2<br>*           |
| None of these   | 1062<br>92%      | 717<br>91%       | 129<br>95%      | 216<br>92%           | 539<br>88%       | 517<br>96%         | 552<br>89%       | 133<br>95%         | 139<br>78%        | 923<br>95%                | 286<br>89%       | 737<br>93%        | 464<br>91%       | 599<br>93%       | 1078<br>93%      |
| Don't know  | 7<br>1%          | 4<br>*           | 1<br>*          | 2<br>1%              | 2<br>*           | 4<br>1%            | 4<br>1%          | 1<br>*             | -                 | 7<br>1%                   | 3<br>1%          | 4<br>*            | 2<br>*           | 5<br>1%          | 10<br>1%         |
| <b>Joined a political group on Facebook/Followed a politician or political group on Twitter</b> | <b>58<br/>5%</b> | <b>46<br/>6%</b> | <b>2<br/>1%</b> | <b>10<br/>4%</b>     | <b>44<br/>7%</b> | <b>14<br/>3%</b>   | <b>37<br/>6%</b> | <b>4<br/>3%</b>    | <b>29<br/>16%</b> | <b>29<br/>3%</b>          | <b>19<br/>6%</b> | <b>37<br/>5%</b>  | <b>27<br/>5%</b> | <b>31<br/>5%</b> | <b>46<br/>4%</b> |
| <b>Served as a school/hospital governor/local magistrate</b>                                    | <b>35<br/>3%</b> | <b>19<br/>2%</b> | <b>4<br/>3%</b> | <b>11<br/>5%</b>     | <b>31<br/>5%</b> | <b>4<br/>1%</b>    | <b>29<br/>5%</b> | <b>3<br/>2%</b>    | <b>16<br/>9%</b>  | <b>18<br/>2%</b>          | <b>17<br/>5%</b> | <b>17<br/>2%</b>  | <b>20<br/>4%</b> | <b>15<br/>2%</b> | <b>26<br/>2%</b> |

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Table 30

### Q.6 And which of these, if any, have you done in the last two or three years?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Quiz score       |                 |                  | Satisfaction with local MP |                  | Satisfaction with general MPs in general |                  | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |                  | Use of internet  |                  | Unwtd total     |                     |
|---|------------------|-----------------|------------------|----------------------------|------------------|--|------------------|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
|   | Total            | Scored 0-3      | Scored 4-6       | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied        | Dissatisfied                             | Satisfied        | Dissatisfied                           | Agree            | Disagree         | Use internet     |                 | Do not use internet |
| Unweighted total  | 1156             | 210             | 463              | 483                        | 459              | 183                                      | 349              | 502                                    | 438              | 450              | 762              | 394             | 1156                |
| Weighted total  | 1156             | 187             | 470              | 499                        | 444              | 190                                      | 336              | 515                                    | 427              | 474              | 826              | 330             | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b>   | <b>801</b>       | <b>150</b>      | <b>310</b>       | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b>       | <b>135</b>                               | <b>264</b>       | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b>       | <b>302</b>       | <b>540</b>       | <b>269</b>      | <b>1156</b>         |
| Joined a political group on Facebook  | 44<br>4%         | 4<br>2%         | 20<br>4%         | 21<br>4%                   | 14<br>3%         | 16<br>8%                                 | 16<br>5%         | 17<br>3%                               | 17<br>4%         | 12<br>3%         | 43<br>5%         | 1<br>*          | 36<br>3%            |
| Followed a politician or political group on Twitter   | 20<br>2%         | 2<br>1%         | 4<br>1%          | 14<br>3%                   | 11<br>2%         | 3<br>2%                                  | 11<br>3%         | 3<br>1%                                | 7<br>2%          | 4<br>1%          | 20<br>2%         | -<br>-          | 15<br>1%            |
| Served as a school governor   | 27<br>2%         | 1<br>1%         | 8<br>2%          | 18<br>4%                   | 13<br>3%         | 5<br>2%                                  | 9<br>3%          | 15<br>3%                               | 10<br>2%         | 11<br>2%         | 26<br>3%         | 1<br>*          | 21<br>2%            |
| Served as a hospital governor   | 6<br>*           | -<br>-          | 4<br>1%          | 2<br>*                     | 6<br>1%          | -<br>-                                   | 1<br>*           | 5<br>1%                                | -<br>-           | 2<br>*           | 4<br>*           | 2<br>*          | 3<br>*              |
| Served as a local magistrate  | 2<br>*           | -<br>-          | -<br>-           | 2<br>*                     | 2<br>*           | -<br>-                                   | 1<br>*           | -<br>-                                 | 1<br>*           | -<br>-           | 2<br>*           | -<br>-          | 2<br>*              |
| None of these   | 1062<br>92%      | 178<br>95%      | 436<br>93%       | 448<br>90%                 | 401<br>90%       | 170<br>89%                               | 299<br>89%       | 478<br>93%                             | 390<br>91%       | 448<br>94%       | 741<br>90%       | 322<br>97%      | 1078<br>93%         |
| Don't know  | 7<br>1%          | 3<br>1%         | 3<br>1%          | 1<br>*                     | 3<br>1%          | *<br>*                                   | 4<br>1%          | 1<br>*                                 | 3<br>1%          | 1<br>*           | 2<br>*           | 4<br>1%         | 10<br>1%            |
| <b>Joined a political group on Facebook/Followed a politician or political group on Twitter</b> | <b>58<br/>5%</b> | <b>6<br/>3%</b> | <b>22<br/>5%</b> | <b>30<br/>6%</b>           | <b>21<br/>5%</b> | <b>18<br/>9%</b>                         | <b>24<br/>7%</b> | <b>19<br/>4%</b>                       | <b>23<br/>5%</b> | <b>15<br/>3%</b> | <b>56<br/>7%</b> | <b>1<br/>*</b>  | <b>46<br/>4%</b>    |
| <b>Served as a school/hospital governor/local magistrate</b>                                    | <b>35<br/>3%</b> | <b>1<br/>1%</b> | <b>12<br/>3%</b> | <b>21<br/>4%</b>           | <b>20<br/>5%</b> | <b>5<br/>2%</b>                          | <b>11<br/>3%</b> | <b>20<br/>4%</b>                       | <b>11<br/>3%</b> | <b>12<br/>3%</b> | <b>32<br/>4%</b> | <b>3<br/>1%</b> | <b>26<br/>2%</b>    |

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Table 31

### Q.6 And which of these, if any, have you done in the last two or three years?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Seat marginality |                       |                          |                         | Segment          |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        | Unwtd total     |                   |
|---|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
|   | Total            | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%)      | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful |                 | Alienated/hostile |
| Unweighted total  | 1156             | 163                   | 351                      | 386                     | 419              | 96                    | 142                | 146                   | 228             | 62                    | 93              | 287                    | 102             | 1156              |
| Weighted total  | 1156             | 175                   | 373                      | 396                     | 387              | 116                   | 157                | 159                   | 191             | 66                    | 92              | 277                    | 99              | 1156              |
| <b>Effective Base</b>   | <b>801</b>       | <b>113</b>            | <b>251</b>               | <b>263</b>              | <b>290</b>       | <b>72</b>             | <b>101</b>         | <b>92</b>             | <b>160</b>      | <b>49</b>             | <b>66</b>       | <b>209</b>             | <b>63</b>       | <b>1156</b>       |
| Joined a political group on Facebook  | 44<br>4%         | 6<br>3%               | 9<br>2%                  | 23<br>6%                | 12<br>3%         | 15<br>13%             | 11<br>7%           | 2<br>2%               | 2<br>1%         | -                     | -               | 14<br>5%               | 1<br>1%         | 36<br>3%          |
| Followed a politician or political group on Twitter   | 20<br>2%         | 1<br>*                | 5<br>1%                  | 13<br>3%                | 2<br>*           | 10<br>9%              | 2<br>1%            | 1<br>1%               | 2<br>1%         | 1<br>2%               | -               | 3<br>1%                | -               | 15<br>1%          |
| Served as a school governor   | 27<br>2%         | 3<br>1%               | 6<br>2%                  | 17<br>4%                | 4<br>1%          | 6<br>5%               | 12<br>8%           | 3<br>2%               | 1<br>*          | 3<br>5%               | -               | 2<br>1%                | 1<br>1%         | 21<br>2%          |
| Served as a hospital governor   | 6<br>*           | 1<br>1%               | 1<br>*                   | 1<br>*                  | 4<br>1%          | 1<br>1%               | -                  | 4<br>3%               | -               | -                     | -               | 1<br>*                 | -               | 3<br>*            |
| Served as a local magistrate  | 2<br>*           | -                     | 2<br>*                   | -                       | -                | 1<br>1%               | 1<br>1%            | -                     | -               | -                     | -               | -                      | -               | 2<br>*            |
| None of these   | 1062<br>92%      | 165<br>94%            | 350<br>94%               | 348<br>88%              | 364<br>94%       | 90<br>78%             | 133<br>85%         | 149<br>93%            | 184<br>96%      | 61<br>93%             | 92<br>100%      | 257<br>93%             | 96<br>97%       | 1078<br>93%       |
| Don't know  | 7<br>1%          | -                     | 2<br>*                   | 2<br>*                  | 3<br>1%          | -                     | 1<br>1%            | -                     | 3<br>1%         | -                     | -               | 2<br>1%                | 1<br>1%         | 10<br>1%          |
| <b>Joined a political group on Facebook/Followed a politician or political group on Twitter</b> | <b>58<br/>5%</b> | <b>6<br/>4%</b>       | <b>14<br/>4%</b>         | <b>31<br/>8%</b>        | <b>12<br/>3%</b> | <b>20<br/>17%</b>     | <b>12<br/>8%</b>   | <b>3<br/>2%</b>       | <b>4<br/>2%</b> | <b>1<br/>2%</b>       | <b>-</b>        | <b>16<br/>6%</b>       | <b>1<br/>1%</b> | <b>46<br/>4%</b>  |
| <b>Served as a school/hospital governor/local magistrate</b>                                    | <b>35<br/>3%</b> | <b>4<br/>2%</b>       | <b>8<br/>2%</b>          | <b>18<br/>5%</b>        | <b>8<br/>2%</b>  | <b>7<br/>6%</b>       | <b>13<br/>8%</b>   | <b>7<br/>5%</b>       | <b>1<br/>*</b>  | <b>3<br/>5%</b>       | <b>-</b>        | <b>3<br/>1%</b>        | <b>1<br/>1%</b> | <b>26<br/>2%</b>  |

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Table 32

### Political Activism

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Gender            |                  | Age              |                 |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                |                 |                  | Social class     |                  |                  |                 |                 |                   | Region          |                  |                  | Marital status   |                  |                       | Unwtd total      |                                |
|--|-------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|
|  | Total             | Male             | Female           | 18-24           | 25-34            | 35-44            | 45-54            | 55-64            | 65-74            | 75+            | 18-34           | 35-54            | 55+              | AB               | C1               | C2              | DE              | ABC1              | C2DE            | North            | South            | Mid lands        | Single           | Married /Co-hab iting |                  | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |
| Unweighted total   | 1156              | 552              | 604              | 138             | 207              | 206              | 141              | 170              | 159              | 135            | 345             | 347              | 464              | 224              | 353              | 257             | 322             | 577               | 579             | 438              | 339              | 379              | 290              | 669                   | 197              | 1156                           |
| Weighted total   | 1156              | 561              | 595              | 173             | 183              | 216              | 186              | 169              | 117              | 111            | 356             | 402              | 398              | 310              | 333              | 241             | 272             | 642               | 514             | 387              | 411              | 358              | 306              | 681                   | 169              | 1156                           |
| <b>Effective Base</b>  | <b>801</b>        | <b>391</b>       | <b>410</b>       | <b>98</b>       | <b>145</b>       | <b>149</b>       | <b>105</b>       | <b>117</b>       | <b>135</b>       | <b>87</b>      | <b>236</b>      | <b>252</b>       | <b>323</b>       | <b>161</b>       | <b>256</b>       | <b>191</b>      | <b>222</b>      | <b>401</b>        | <b>413</b>      | <b>312</b>       | <b>250</b>       | <b>251</b>       | <b>203</b>       | <b>463</b>            | <b>139</b>       | <b>1156</b>                    |
| Contacted/presented my views to a local councillor, MP, MSP, Welsh AM      | 199<br>17%        | 90<br>16%        | 110<br>18%       | 15<br>9%        | 22<br>12%        | 43<br>20%        | 36<br>20%        | 39<br>23%        | 28<br>23%        | 16<br>14%      | 37<br>10%       | 80<br>20%        | 83<br>21%        | 83<br>27%        | 58<br>17%        | 33<br>14%       | 26<br>9%        | 141<br>22%        | 58<br>11%       | 55<br>14%        | 85<br>21%        | 59<br>17%        | 35<br>11%        | 132<br>19%            | 33<br>19%        | 192<br>17%                     |
| Urged someone to get in touch with a local councillor or MP                | 169<br>15%        | 75<br>13%        | 93<br>16%        | 8<br>5%         | 16<br>9%         | 33<br>15%        | 39<br>21%        | 43<br>26%        | 22<br>19%        | 6<br>5%        | 25<br>7%        | 73<br>18%        | 71<br>18%        | 80<br>26%        | 46<br>14%        | 26<br>11%       | 16<br>6%        | 126<br>20%        | 42<br>8%        | 56<br>15%        | 73<br>18%        | 39<br>11%        | 21<br>7%         | 121<br>18%            | 26<br>16%        | 164<br>14%                     |
| Taken an active part in a political campaign                               | 52<br>5%          | 29<br>5%         | 23<br>4%         | 9<br>5%         | 5<br>3%          | 4<br>2%          | 11<br>6%         | 13<br>8%         | 6<br>5%          | 4<br>4%        | 14<br>4%        | 15<br>4%         | 23<br>6%         | 22<br>7%         | 19<br>6%         | 8<br>3%         | 4<br>1%         | 41<br>6%          | 11<br>2%        | 10<br>3%         | 27<br>7%         | 15<br>4%         | 9<br>3%          | 33<br>5%              | 9<br>5%          | 38<br>3%                       |
| Been to any political meeting  | 92<br>8%          | 43<br>8%         | 50<br>8%         | 12<br>7%        | 5<br>3%          | 22<br>10%        | 8<br>5%          | 24<br>14%        | 11<br>10%        | 9<br>8%        | 16<br>5%        | 31<br>8%         | 45<br>11%        | 38<br>12%        | 31<br>9%         | 10<br>4%        | 13<br>5%        | 70<br>11%         | 23<br>4%        | 16<br>4%         | 48<br>12%        | 29<br>8%         | 17<br>6%         | 57<br>8%              | 18<br>11%        | 79<br>7%                       |
| Boycotted certain products for political, ethical or environmental reasons | 221<br>19%        | 107<br>19%       | 114<br>19%       | 22<br>13%       | 31<br>17%        | 47<br>22%        | 48<br>26%        | 41<br>24%        | 24<br>20%        | 8<br>8%        | 53<br>15%       | 95<br>24%        | 73<br>18%        | 112<br>36%       | 71<br>21%        | 21<br>9%        | 17<br>6%        | 183<br>28%        | 38<br>7%        | 53<br>14%        | 96<br>23%        | 72<br>20%        | 47<br>15%        | 149<br>22%            | 26<br>15%        | 186<br>16%                     |
| Donated money or paid a membership fee to a political party                | 61<br>5%          | 32<br>6%         | 29<br>5%         | 9<br>5%         | 4<br>2%          | 7<br>3%          | 13<br>7%         | 13<br>8%         | 5<br>5%          | 8<br>8%        | 14<br>4%        | 21<br>5%         | 27<br>7%         | 27<br>9%         | 22<br>7%         | 7<br>3%         | 6<br>2%         | 49<br>8%          | 13<br>2%        | 12<br>3%         | 25<br>6%         | 25<br>7%         | 10<br>3%         | 41<br>6%              | 11<br>6%         | 52<br>4%                       |
| Signed a petition  | 457<br>40%        | 200<br>36%       | 257<br>43%       | 62<br>36%       | 62<br>34%        | 97<br>45%        | 100<br>54%       | 75<br>44%        | 38<br>33%        | 23<br>21%      | 124<br>35%      | 196<br>49%       | 137<br>34%       | 173<br>56%       | 144<br>43%       | 71<br>30%       | 69<br>25%       | 317<br>49%        | 140<br>27%      | 136<br>35%       | 191<br>46%       | 131<br>37%       | 109<br>36%       | 296<br>43%            | 52<br>31%        | 406<br>35%                     |
| Taken part in a demonstration, march or picket/strike                      | 47<br>4%          | 30<br>5%         | 17<br>3%         | 6<br>4%         | 8<br>5%          | 6<br>3%          | 8<br>4%          | 11<br>7%         | 5<br>4%          | 3<br>2%        | 15<br>4%        | 13<br>3%         | 19<br>5%         | 24<br>8%         | 14<br>4%         | 5<br>2%         | 3<br>1%         | 39<br>6%          | 8<br>2%         | 16<br>4%         | 24<br>6%         | 8<br>2%          | 9<br>3%          | 30<br>4%              | 8<br>5%          | 41<br>4%                       |
| None of these  | 546<br>47%        | 290<br>52%       | 256<br>43%       | 94<br>54%       | 94<br>51%        | 104<br>48%       | 62<br>33%        | 74<br>44%        | 51<br>43%        | 66<br>60%      | 189<br>53%      | 166<br>41%       | 191<br>48%       | 89<br>29%        | 135<br>41%       | 146<br>60%      | 176<br>65%      | 224<br>35%        | 322<br>63%      | 198<br>51%       | 167<br>41%       | 181<br>51%       | 166<br>54%       | 293<br>43%            | 87<br>51%        | 595<br>51%                     |
| <b>Done 3 or more activities</b>   | <b>180</b><br>16% | <b>85</b><br>15% | <b>95</b><br>16% | <b>16</b><br>9% | <b>17</b><br>10% | <b>38</b><br>18% | <b>43</b><br>23% | <b>39</b><br>23% | <b>17</b><br>15% | <b>9</b><br>8% | <b>33</b><br>9% | <b>81</b><br>20% | <b>66</b><br>17% | <b>87</b><br>28% | <b>59</b><br>18% | <b>19</b><br>8% | <b>15</b><br>5% | <b>146</b><br>23% | <b>34</b><br>7% | <b>40</b><br>10% | <b>92</b><br>22% | <b>47</b><br>13% | <b>31</b><br>10% | <b>122</b><br>18%     | <b>27</b><br>16% | <b>160</b><br>14%              |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
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Table 33

### Political Activism

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Working status           |                         |                         | Children in household   |                         | Newspaper readership    |                         |                        | Education               |                        |                         |                              | Ethnicity              |                          | GO Region             |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                          |                       |                        | Unwtd total            |                         |                          |
|--|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
|  | Total                    | Full time               | Part time               | Not working             | Yes                     | No                      | Quality                 | Popular                | None                    | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv.       | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals.       | White                    | BME                   | South East              | Eastern                 | London                  | South West              | West Midlands           | East Midlands           | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West            | North East             |                        | Wales                   | Scotland                 |
| Unweighted total   | 1156                     | 425                     | 109                     | 622                     | 360                     | 234                     | 201                     | 445                    | 548                     | 318                    | 183                     | 258                          | 274                    | 1007                     | 146                   | 116                     | 102                     | 121                     | 102                     | 109                     | 71                      | 91                       | 122                   | 68                     | 97                     | 157                     | 1156                     |
| Weighted total   | 1156                     | 520                     | 109                     | 527                     | 372                     | 287                     | 253                     | 423                    | 522                     | 320                    | 213                     | 287                          | 219                    | 1054                     | 100                   | 162                     | 110                     | 147                     | 103                     | 104                     | 87                      | 101                      | 134                   | 51                     | 58                     | 102                     | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>  | <b>801</b>               | <b>306</b>              | <b>78</b>               | <b>438</b>              | <b>245</b>              | <b>163</b>              | <b>143</b>              | <b>313</b>             | <b>382</b>              | <b>224</b>             | <b>123</b>              | <b>188</b>                   | <b>201</b>             | <b>703</b>               | <b>115</b>            | <b>90</b>               | <b>72</b>               | <b>86</b>               | <b>79</b>               | <b>75</b>               | <b>48</b>               | <b>71</b>                | <b>90</b>             | <b>51</b>              | <b>76</b>              | <b>118</b>              | <b>1156</b>              |
| Contacted/presented my views to a local councillor, MP, MSP, Welsh AM      | 199<br>17%               | 98<br>19%               | 18<br>17%               | 83<br>16%               | 61<br>16%               | 33<br>11%               | 74<br>29%               | 60<br>14%              | 78<br>15%               | 30<br>9%               | 30<br>14%               | 93<br>32%                    | 24<br>11%              | 193<br>18%               | 6<br>6%               | 47<br>29%               | 24<br>22%               | 20<br>13%               | 19<br>18%               | 12<br>12%               | 13<br>15%               | 13<br>13%                | 13<br>10%             | 11<br>21%              | 11<br>18%              | 19<br>18%               | 192<br>17%               |
| Urged someone to get in touch with a local councillor or MP                | 169<br>15%               | 87<br>17%               | 18<br>17%               | 63<br>12%               | 49<br>13%               | 32<br>11%               | 67<br>27%               | 43<br>10%              | 71<br>14%               | 24<br>7%               | 26<br>12%               | 85<br>30%                    | 13<br>6%               | 164<br>16%               | 5<br>5%               | 38<br>24%               | 17<br>15%               | 18<br>12%               | 17<br>17%               | 6<br>6%                 | 7<br>9%                 | 9<br>9%                  | 15<br>11%             | 10<br>21%              | 9<br>15%               | 22<br>22%               | 164<br>14%               |
| Taken an active part in a political campaign                               | 52<br>5%                 | 24<br>5%                | 6<br>5%                 | 22<br>4%                | 8<br>2%                 | 11<br>4%                | 33<br>13%               | 9<br>2%                | 15<br>3%                | 7<br>2%                | 9<br>4%                 | 32<br>11%                    | -<br>-                 | 51<br>5%                 | -<br>-                | 12<br>8%                | 5<br>5%                 | 10<br>7%                | 5<br>5%                 | 7<br>6%                 | 2<br>2%                 | 3<br>3%                  | -<br>-                | 1<br>2%                | 1<br>2%                | 6<br>5%                 | 38<br>3%                 |
| Been to any political meeting  | 92<br>8%                 | 42<br>8%                | 6<br>6%                 | 44<br>8%                | 13<br>4%                | 25<br>9%                | 48<br>19%               | 31<br>7%               | 24<br>5%                | 13<br>4%               | 20<br>10%               | 35<br>12%                    | 9<br>4%                | 91<br>9%                 | 1<br>1%               | 27<br>17%               | 12<br>11%               | 14<br>9%                | 7<br>7%                 | 6<br>6%                 | 5<br>6%                 | 5<br>5%                  | -<br>-                | 4<br>8%                | 5<br>9%                | 7<br>6%                 | 79<br>7%                 |
| Boycotted certain products for political, ethical or environmental reasons | 221<br>19%               | 120<br>23%              | 33<br>30%               | 68<br>13%               | 61<br>16%               | 50<br>18%               | 96<br>38%               | 33<br>8%               | 106<br>20%              | 31<br>10%              | 43<br>20%               | 119<br>41%                   | 12<br>5%               | 213<br>20%               | 8<br>8%               | 46<br>28%               | 23<br>21%               | 23<br>16%               | 27<br>27%               | 17<br>17%               | 22<br>26%               | 11<br>11%                | 15<br>11%             | 11<br>23%              | 9<br>16%               | 15<br>15%               | 186<br>16%               |
| Donated money or paid a membership fee to a political party                | 61<br>5%                 | 26<br>5%                | 5<br>5%                 | 29<br>6%                | 13<br>3%                | 13<br>5%                | 25<br>10%               | 17<br>4%               | 22<br>4%                | 10<br>3%               | 15<br>7%                | 24<br>8%                     | 5<br>3%                | 61<br>6%                 | 1<br>1%               | 10<br>6%                | 12<br>11%               | 8<br>5%                 | 7<br>7%                 | 8<br>8%                 | 2<br>2%                 | 5<br>5%                  | 3<br>2%               | -<br>-                 | 3<br>5%                | 4<br>4%                 | 52<br>4%                 |
| Signed a petition  | 457<br>40%               | 237<br>46%              | 58<br>53%               | 162<br>31%              | 154<br>42%              | 117<br>41%              | 147<br>58%              | 146<br>34%             | 193<br>37%              | 109<br>34%             | 103<br>48%              | 167<br>58%                   | 40<br>18%              | 448<br>42%               | 8<br>8%               | 94<br>58%               | 48<br>44%               | 38<br>26%               | 58<br>57%               | 39<br>38%               | 25<br>28%               | 40<br>40%                | 42<br>31%             | 24<br>48%              | 19<br>33%              | 30<br>29%               | 406<br>35%               |
| Taken part in a demonstration, march or picket/strike                      | 47<br>4%                 | 18<br>3%                | 5<br>5%                 | 24<br>5%                | 12<br>3%                | 6<br>2%                 | 23<br>9%                | 12<br>3%               | 18<br>4%                | 4<br>1%                | 11<br>5%                | 23<br>8%                     | 6<br>3%                | 46<br>4%                 | 1<br>1%               | 9<br>6%                 | 3<br>3%                 | 6<br>4%                 | 9<br>8%                 | 1<br>1%                 | 2<br>3%                 | 5<br>5%                  | 4<br>3%               | -<br>-                 | 1<br>1%                | 7<br>7%                 | 41<br>4%                 |
| None of these  | 546<br>47%               | 226<br>44%              | 38<br>35%               | 282<br>53%              | 184<br>50%              | 139<br>48%              | 62<br>25%               | 227<br>54%             | 265<br>51%              | 179<br>56%             | 85<br>40%               | 71<br>25%                    | 156<br>71%             | 465<br>44%               | 80<br>80%             | 38<br>24%               | 44<br>40%               | 96<br>66%               | 33<br>32%               | 52<br>50%               | 56<br>65%               | 53<br>53%                | 70<br>52%             | 19<br>38%              | 30<br>51%              | 56<br>55%               | 595<br>51%               |
| <b>Done 3 or more activities</b>   | <b>180</b><br><b>16%</b> | <b>93</b><br><b>18%</b> | <b>21</b><br><b>19%</b> | <b>66</b><br><b>12%</b> | <b>52</b><br><b>14%</b> | <b>31</b><br><b>11%</b> | <b>77</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>36</b><br><b>9%</b> | <b>81</b><br><b>16%</b> | <b>24</b><br><b>8%</b> | <b>28</b><br><b>13%</b> | <b>98</b><br><b>34%</b>      | <b>14</b><br><b>7%</b> | <b>175</b><br><b>17%</b> | <b>4</b><br><b>4%</b> | <b>45</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>16</b><br><b>15%</b> | <b>21</b><br><b>14%</b> | <b>27</b><br><b>26%</b> | <b>10</b><br><b>10%</b> | <b>14</b><br><b>16%</b> | <b>11</b><br><b>11%</b>  | <b>8</b><br><b>6%</b> | <b>8</b><br><b>16%</b> | <b>6</b><br><b>11%</b> | <b>13</b><br><b>13%</b> | <b>160</b><br><b>14%</b> |

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Table 34

### Political Activism

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Total                    | Urbanity                 |                         |                         | Interest in politics     |                        | Likelihood to vote       |                       | Political activism        |                      | Opinion on present system |                          | Knew local MP            |                         | Unwtd total              |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
|  |                          | Urban                    | Rural                   | Mixed                   | Interested               | Not interested         | Certain to               | Certain not to        | Activist                  | Non-activist         | Works well                | Needs improvement        | Yes                      | No                      |                          |
| Unweighted total   | 1156                     | 773                      | 145                     | 238                     | 580                      | 569                    | 627                      | 143                   | 160                       | 996                  | 327                       | 783                      | 495                      | 661                     | 1156                     |
| Weighted total   | 1156                     | 784                      | 136                     | 235                     | 611                      | 539                    | 619                      | 140                   | 180                       | 976                  | 322                       | 793                      | 511                      | 645                     | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>  | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b>               | <b>97</b>               | <b>170</b>              | <b>404</b>               | <b>394</b>             | <b>430</b>               | <b>96</b>             | <b>118</b>                | <b>684</b>           | <b>232</b>                | <b>543</b>               | <b>339</b>               | <b>464</b>              | <b>1156</b>              |
| Contacted/presented my views to a local councillor, MP, MSP, Welsh AM      | 199<br>17%               | 135<br>17%               | 24<br>18%               | 40<br>17%               | 157<br>26%               | 42<br>8%               | 150<br>24%               | 11<br>8%              | 122<br>68%                | 78<br>8%             | 55<br>17%                 | 144<br>18%               | 125<br>24%               | 75<br>12%               | 192<br>17%               |
| Urged someone to get in touch with a local councillor or MP                | 169<br>15%               | 105<br>13%               | 28<br>21%               | 35<br>15%               | 136<br>22%               | 33<br>6%               | 123<br>20%               | 8<br>6%               | 122<br>68%                | 46<br>5%             | 47<br>15%                 | 122<br>15%               | 94<br>18%                | 75<br>12%               | 164<br>14%               |
| Taken an active part in a political campaign                               | 52<br>5%                 | 40<br>5%                 | 6<br>4%                 | 6<br>3%                 | 48<br>8%                 | 4<br>1%                | 41<br>7%                 | 2<br>2%               | 45<br>25%                 | 7<br>1%              | 15<br>5%                  | 34<br>4%                 | 33<br>6%                 | 19<br>3%                | 38<br>3%                 |
| Been to any political meeting  | 92<br>8%                 | 64<br>8%                 | 12<br>9%                | 16<br>7%                | 84<br>14%                | 8<br>1%                | 69<br>11%                | 6<br>4%               | 70<br>39%                 | 23<br>2%             | 20<br>6%                  | 72<br>9%                 | 60<br>12%                | 32<br>5%                | 79<br>7%                 |
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| Donated money or paid a membership fee to a political party                | 61<br>5%                 | 42<br>5%                 | 6<br>5%                 | 13<br>6%                | 51<br>8%                 | 11<br>2%               | 45<br>7%                 | 2<br>1%               | 37<br>21%                 | 24<br>2%             | 18<br>6%                  | 43<br>5%                 | 37<br>7%                 | 25<br>4%                | 52<br>4%                 |
| Signed a petition  | 457<br>40%               | 309<br>39%               | 63<br>46%               | 85<br>36%               | 320<br>52%               | 137<br>26%             | 299<br>48%               | 36<br>26%             | 168<br>94%                | 289<br>30%           | 120<br>37%                | 331<br>42%               | 225<br>44%               | 232<br>36%              | 406<br>35%               |
| Taken part in a demonstration, march or picket/strike                      | 47<br>4%                 | 40<br>5%                 | 5<br>4%                 | 2<br>1%                 | 42<br>7%                 | 4<br>1%                | 36<br>6%                 | 2<br>2%               | 38<br>21%                 | 9<br>1%              | 17<br>5%                  | 30<br>4%                 | 29<br>6%                 | 18<br>3%                | 41<br>4%                 |
| None of these  | 546<br>47%               | 378<br>48%               | 55<br>40%               | 114<br>48%              | 187<br>31%               | 354<br>66%             | 223<br>36%               | 91<br>65%             | -<br>-                    | 546<br>56%           | 164<br>51%                | 347<br>44%               | 207<br>41%               | 339<br>53%              | 595<br>51%               |
| <b>Done 3 or more activities</b>   | <b>180</b><br><b>16%</b> | <b>123</b><br><b>16%</b> | <b>25</b><br><b>18%</b> | <b>32</b><br><b>14%</b> | <b>156</b><br><b>26%</b> | <b>24</b><br><b>4%</b> | <b>139</b><br><b>23%</b> | <b>8</b><br><b>6%</b> | <b>180</b><br><b>100%</b> | <b>-</b><br><b>-</b> | <b>52</b><br><b>16%</b>   | <b>128</b><br><b>16%</b> | <b>109</b><br><b>21%</b> | <b>70</b><br><b>11%</b> | <b>160</b><br><b>14%</b> |

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Table 35

### Political Activism

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Quiz score               |                       |                        | Satisfaction with local MP |                         | Satisfaction with MPs in general |                         | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |                         | Use of internet         |                          | Unwtd total            |                          |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
|  | Total                    | Scored 0-3            | Scored 4-6             | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied               | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied               | Dissatisfied                           | Agree                   | Disagree                | Use internet             |                        | Do not use internet      |
| Unweighted total   | 1156                     | 210                   | 463                    | 483                        | 459                     | 183                              | 349                     | 502                                    | 438                     | 450                     | 762                      | 394                    | 1156                     |
| Weighted total   | 1156                     | 187                   | 470                    | 499                        | 444                     | 190                              | 336                     | 515                                    | 427                     | 474                     | 826                      | 330                    | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>  | <b>801</b>               | <b>150</b>            | <b>310</b>             | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b>              | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b>              | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b>              | <b>302</b>              | <b>540</b>               | <b>269</b>             | <b>1156</b>              |
| Contacted/presented my views to a local councillor, MP, MSP, Welsh AM      | 199<br>17%               | 9<br>5%               | 43<br>9%               | 148<br>30%                 | 105<br>24%              | 37<br>20%                        | 67<br>20%               | 79<br>15%                              | 91<br>21%               | 68<br>14%               | 165<br>20%               | 35<br>11%              | 192<br>17%               |
| Urged someone to get in touch with a local councillor or MP                | 169<br>15%               | 3<br>2%               | 40<br>8%               | 126<br>25%                 | 78<br>18%               | 34<br>18%                        | 52<br>16%               | 71<br>14%                              | 69<br>16%               | 62<br>13%               | 149<br>18%               | 19<br>6%               | 164<br>14%               |
| Taken an active part in a political campaign                               | 52<br>5%                 | -                     | 9<br>2%                | 43<br>9%                   | 26<br>6%                | 10<br>5%                         | 26<br>8%                | 15<br>3%                               | 24<br>6%                | 21<br>4%                | 45<br>6%                 | 7<br>2%                | 38<br>3%                 |
| Been to any political meeting  | 92<br>8%                 | 3<br>2%               | 23<br>5%               | 66<br>13%                  | 53<br>12%               | 17<br>9%                         | 39<br>12%               | 39<br>8%                               | 41<br>10%               | 41<br>9%                | 76<br>9%                 | 16<br>5%               | 79<br>7%                 |
| Boycotted certain products for political, ethical or environmental reasons | 221<br>19%               | 4<br>2%               | 57<br>12%              | 160<br>32%                 | 93<br>21%               | 43<br>22%                        | 77<br>23%               | 90<br>18%                              | 87<br>20%               | 95<br>20%               | 196<br>24%               | 25<br>7%               | 186<br>16%               |
| Donated money or paid a membership fee to a political party                | 61<br>5%                 | 4<br>2%               | 12<br>2%               | 45<br>9%                   | 31<br>7%                | 10<br>5%                         | 24<br>7%                | 23<br>4%                               | 30<br>7%                | 22<br>5%                | 51<br>6%                 | 11<br>3%               | 52<br>4%                 |
| Signed a petition  | 457<br>40%               | 32<br>17%             | 159<br>34%             | 266<br>53%                 | 194<br>44%              | 76<br>40%                        | 138<br>41%              | 199<br>39%                             | 178<br>42%              | 192<br>40%              | 399<br>48%               | 58<br>18%              | 406<br>35%               |
| Taken part in a demonstration, march or picket/strike                      | 47<br>4%                 | 2<br>1%               | 5<br>1%                | 39<br>8%                   | 27<br>6%                | 8<br>4%                          | 24<br>7%                | 12<br>2%                               | 25<br>6%                | 18<br>4%                | 37<br>4%                 | 10<br>3%               | 41<br>4%                 |
| None of these  | 546<br>47%               | 143<br>77%            | 254<br>54%             | 148<br>30%                 | 184<br>42%              | 89<br>47%                        | 151<br>45%              | 249<br>48%                             | 179<br>42%              | 223<br>47%              | 320<br>39%               | 226<br>69%             | 595<br>51%               |
| <b>Done 3 or more activities</b>   | <b>180</b><br><b>16%</b> | <b>3</b><br><b>1%</b> | <b>33</b><br><b>7%</b> | <b>144</b><br><b>29%</b>   | <b>89</b><br><b>20%</b> | <b>40</b><br><b>21%</b>          | <b>62</b><br><b>18%</b> | <b>69</b><br><b>13%</b>                | <b>85</b><br><b>20%</b> | <b>60</b><br><b>13%</b> | <b>160</b><br><b>19%</b> | <b>20</b><br><b>6%</b> | <b>160</b><br><b>14%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 36

### Political Activism

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Seat marginality         |                         |                          |                         | Segment                |                         |                         |                        |                        |                       |                      |                        | Unwtd total          |                          |
|--|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
|  | Total                    | Less than 5% majority   | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%)            | Politically committed   | Active campaigners      | Interested bystanders  | Detached cynics        | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic      | Disengaged/mistrustful |                      | Alienated/hostile        |
| Unweighted total   | 1156                     | 163                     | 351                      | 386                     | 419                    | 96                      | 142                     | 146                    | 228                    | 62                    | 93                   | 287                    | 102                  | 1156                     |
| Weighted total   | 1156                     | 175                     | 373                      | 396                     | 387                    | 116                     | 157                     | 159                    | 191                    | 66                    | 92                   | 277                    | 99                   | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>  | <b>801</b>               | <b>113</b>              | <b>251</b>               | <b>263</b>              | <b>290</b>             | <b>72</b>               | <b>101</b>              | <b>92</b>              | <b>160</b>             | <b>49</b>             | <b>66</b>            | <b>209</b>             | <b>63</b>            | <b>1156</b>              |
| Contacted/presented my views to a local councillor, MP, MSP, Welsh AM      | 199<br>17%               | 33<br>19%               | 79<br>21%                | 73<br>19%               | 47<br>12%              | 80<br>69%               | 50<br>32%               | 10<br>6%               | 35<br>19%              | 5<br>8%               | 2<br>3%              | 11<br>4%               | 5<br>5%              | 192<br>17%               |
| Urged someone to get in touch with a local councillor or MP                | 169<br>15%               | 37<br>21%               | 64<br>17%                | 65<br>16%               | 40<br>10%              | 77<br>67%               | 49<br>31%               | 10<br>6%               | 11<br>6%               | *<br>1%               | 1<br>2%              | 19<br>7%               | 1<br>1%              | 164<br>14%               |
| Taken an active part in a political campaign                               | 52<br>5%                 | 9<br>5%                 | 22<br>6%                 | 22<br>6%                | 8<br>2%                | 30<br>26%               | 5<br>3%                 | 12<br>7%               | -<br>-                 | 1<br>1%               | -<br>-               | 4<br>2%                | -<br>-               | 38<br>3%                 |
| Been to any political meeting  | 92<br>8%                 | 10<br>6%                | 31<br>8%                 | 41<br>10%               | 21<br>5%               | 44<br>38%               | 13<br>8%                | 14<br>9%               | 7<br>4%                | 5<br>8%               | 2<br>2%              | 7<br>2%                | 1<br>1%              | 79<br>7%                 |
| Boycotted certain products for political, ethical or environmental reasons | 221<br>19%               | 45<br>26%               | 87<br>23%                | 92<br>23%               | 42<br>11%              | 69<br>59%               | 88<br>56%               | 14<br>9%               | 4<br>2%                | 10<br>16%             | 4<br>4%              | 29<br>10%              | 3<br>3%              | 186<br>16%               |
| Donated money or paid a membership fee to a political party                | 61<br>5%                 | 16<br>9%                | 28<br>8%                 | 16<br>4%                | 17<br>5%               | 22<br>19%               | 10<br>6%                | 9<br>5%                | 7<br>4%                | 3<br>4%               | -<br>-               | 11<br>4%               | -<br>-               | 52<br>4%                 |
| Signed a petition  | 457<br>40%               | 81<br>46%               | 163<br>44%               | 172<br>43%              | 122<br>32%             | 95<br>82%               | 104<br>67%              | 79<br>50%              | 39<br>20%              | 26<br>39%             | 19<br>20%            | 84<br>30%              | 11<br>11%            | 406<br>35%               |
| Taken part in a demonstration, march or picket/strike                      | 47<br>4%                 | 7<br>4%                 | 21<br>6%                 | 19<br>5%                | 6<br>2%                | 19<br>16%               | 10<br>7%                | 5<br>3%                | -<br>-                 | 2<br>3%               | 3<br>3%              | 7<br>2%                | 1<br>1%              | 41<br>4%                 |
| None of these  | 546<br>47%               | 69<br>40%               | 155<br>42%               | 168<br>42%              | 223<br>58%             | 6<br>5%                 | 12<br>8%                | 60<br>38%              | 127<br>67%             | 29<br>45%             | 66<br>71%            | 168<br>61%             | 78<br>79%            | 595<br>51%               |
| <b>Done 3 or more activities</b>   | <b>180</b><br><b>16%</b> | <b>37</b><br><b>21%</b> | <b>72</b><br><b>19%</b>  | <b>73</b><br><b>19%</b> | <b>35</b><br><b>9%</b> | <b>84</b><br><b>73%</b> | <b>59</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>11</b><br><b>7%</b> | <b>10</b><br><b>5%</b> | <b>2</b><br><b>3%</b> | <b>*</b><br><b>*</b> | <b>13</b><br><b>5%</b> | <b>-</b><br><b>-</b> | <b>160</b><br><b>14%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 37

### Q.7 How interested would you say you are in politics?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Gender                   |                          | Age                      |                           |                           |                          |                          |                          |                         |                         |                           |                          | Social class             |                          |                          |                           |                           |                          | Region                     |                          |                          | Marital status           |                          |                          | Unwtd total             |                                |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
|                       | Total                    | Male                     | Female                   | 18-24                     | 25-34                     | 35-44                    | 45-54                    | 55-64                    | 65-74                   | 75+                     | 18-34                     | 35-54                    | 55+                      | AB                       | C1                       | C2                        | DE                        | ABC1                     | C2DE                       | North                    | South                    | Mid lands                | Single                   | Married /Co-hab iting    |                         | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |
| Unweighted total      | 1156                     | 552                      | 604                      | 138                       | 207                       | 206                      | 141                      | 170                      | 159                     | 135                     | 345                       | 347                      | 464                      | 224                      | 353                      | 257                       | 322                       | 577                      | 579                        | 438                      | 339                      | 379                      | 290                      | 669                      | 197                     | 1156                           |
| Weighted total        | 1156                     | 561                      | 595                      | 173                       | 183                       | 216                      | 186                      | 169                      | 117                     | 111                     | 356                       | 402                      | 398                      | 310                      | 333                      | 241                       | 272                       | 642                      | 514                        | 387                      | 411                      | 358                      | 306                      | 681                      | 169                     | 1156                           |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>               | <b>391</b>               | <b>410</b>               | <b>98</b>                 | <b>145</b>                | <b>149</b>               | <b>105</b>               | <b>117</b>               | <b>135</b>              | <b>87</b>               | <b>236</b>                | <b>252</b>               | <b>323</b>               | <b>161</b>               | <b>256</b>               | <b>191</b>                | <b>222</b>                | <b>401</b>               | <b>413</b>                 | <b>312</b>               | <b>250</b>               | <b>251</b>               | <b>203</b>               | <b>463</b>               | <b>139</b>              | <b>1156</b>                    |
| Very interested       | 158<br>14%               | 97<br>17%                | 61<br>10%                | 22<br>13%                 | 16<br>9%                  | 23<br>11%                | 26<br>14%                | 34<br>20%                | 20<br>17%               | 17<br>16%               | 38<br>11%                 | 49<br>12%                | 71<br>18%                | 71<br>23%                | 52<br>16%                | 18<br>7%                  | 17<br>6%                  | 123<br>19%               | 35<br>7%                   | 32<br>8%                 | 90<br>22%                | 36<br>10%                | 29<br>9%                 | 104<br>15%               | 26<br>15%               | 140<br>12%                     |
| Fairly interested     | 453<br>39%               | 232<br>41%               | 222<br>37%               | 44<br>25%                 | 65<br>35%                 | 84<br>39%                | 87<br>47%                | 78<br>46%                | 47<br>40%               | 49<br>44%               | 109<br>30%                | 171<br>43%               | 174<br>44%               | 154<br>50%               | 135<br>41%               | 78<br>32%                 | 86<br>32%                 | 289<br>45%               | 164<br>32%                 | 143<br>37%               | 166<br>40%               | 144<br>40%               | 110<br>36%               | 278<br>41%               | 65<br>39%               | 440<br>38%                     |
| Not very interested   | 336<br>29%               | 142<br>25%               | 194<br>33%               | 61<br>35%                 | 53<br>29%                 | 65<br>30%                | 51<br>28%                | 42<br>25%                | 38<br>33%               | 25<br>23%               | 114<br>32%                | 117<br>29%               | 106<br>27%               | 61<br>20%                | 108<br>32%               | 85<br>35%                 | 81<br>30%                 | 169<br>26%               | 167<br>32%                 | 130<br>34%               | 105<br>25%               | 102<br>28%               | 89<br>29%                | 200<br>29%               | 48<br>28%               | 352<br>30%                     |
| Not at all interested | 203<br>18%               | 90<br>16%                | 113<br>19%               | 46<br>27%                 | 48<br>26%                 | 42<br>19%                | 20<br>11%                | 15<br>9%                 | 12<br>10%               | 20<br>18%               | 94<br>26%                 | 62<br>15%                | 47<br>12%                | 21<br>7%                 | 37<br>11%                | 58<br>24%                 | 87<br>32%                 | 58<br>9%                 | 145<br>28%                 | 81<br>21%                | 48<br>12%                | 75<br>21%                | 77<br>25%                | 95<br>14%                | 30<br>18%               | 217<br>19%                     |
| Don't know            | 6<br>1%                  | 2<br>*                   | 5<br>1%                  | 1<br>*                    | 2<br>1%                   | 3<br>1%                  | 1<br>*                   | -                        | *                       | -                       | 2<br>1%                   | 4<br>1%                  | *                        | 2<br>1%                  | 1<br>*                   | 2<br>1%                   | 1<br>1%                   | 3<br>*                   | 4<br>1%                    | 1<br>*                   | 3<br>1%                  | 2<br>1%                  | 2<br>*                   | 5<br>1%                  | *                       | 7<br>1%                        |
| <b>Interested</b>     | <b>611</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>328</b><br><b>58%</b> | <b>283</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>65</b><br><b>38%</b>   | <b>81</b><br><b>44%</b>   | <b>106</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>113</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>112</b><br><b>66%</b> | <b>67</b><br><b>57%</b> | <b>66</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>146</b><br><b>41%</b>  | <b>220</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>245</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>226</b><br><b>73%</b> | <b>187</b><br><b>56%</b> | <b>96</b><br><b>40%</b>   | <b>103</b><br><b>38%</b>  | <b>412</b><br><b>64%</b> | <b>199</b><br><b>39%</b>   | <b>176</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>256</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>180</b><br><b>50%</b> | <b>139</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>382</b><br><b>56%</b> | <b>91</b><br><b>54%</b> | <b>580</b><br><b>50%</b>       |
| <b>Not interested</b> | <b>539</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>232</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>307</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>107</b><br><b>62%</b>  | <b>100</b><br><b>55%</b>  | <b>107</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>72</b><br><b>39%</b>  | <b>57</b><br><b>34%</b>  | <b>50</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>45</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>207</b><br><b>58%</b>  | <b>178</b><br><b>44%</b> | <b>153</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>82</b><br><b>26%</b>  | <b>145</b><br><b>44%</b> | <b>143</b><br><b>59%</b>  | <b>168</b><br><b>62%</b>  | <b>227</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>311</b><br><b>61%</b>   | <b>210</b><br><b>54%</b> | <b>152</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>176</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>166</b><br><b>54%</b> | <b>295</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>78</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>569</b><br><b>49%</b>       |
| <b>Net interested</b> | <b>72</b><br><b>6%</b>   | <b>97</b><br><b>17%</b>  | <b>-24</b><br><b>-4%</b> | <b>-42</b><br><b>-24%</b> | <b>-19</b><br><b>-11%</b> | <b>*</b>                 | <b>41</b><br><b>22%</b>  | <b>55</b><br><b>32%</b>  | <b>16</b><br><b>14%</b> | <b>21</b><br><b>19%</b> | <b>-61</b><br><b>-17%</b> | <b>41</b><br><b>10%</b>  | <b>92</b><br><b>23%</b>  | <b>144</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>41</b><br><b>12%</b>  | <b>-48</b><br><b>-20%</b> | <b>-65</b><br><b>-24%</b> | <b>185</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>-113</b><br><b>-22%</b> | <b>-35</b><br><b>-9%</b> | <b>104</b><br><b>25%</b> | <b>3</b><br><b>1%</b>    | <b>-27</b><br><b>-9%</b> | <b>87</b><br><b>13%</b>  | <b>13</b><br><b>8%</b>  | <b>11</b><br><b>1%</b>         |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 38

### Q.7 How interested would you say you are in politics?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity  |            | GO Region  |            |           |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           | Unwtd total |            |             |
|-----------------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|                       | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME        | South East | Eastern    | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland   |             |
| Unweighted total      | 1156           | 425        | 109         | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548                    | 318               | 183                          | 258              | 274        | 1007       | 146        | 116        | 102       | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68        | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | 1156           | 520        | 109         | 527                   | 372        | 287                  | 253        | 423        | 522                    | 320               | 213                          | 287              | 219        | 1054       | 100        | 162        | 110       | 147        | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101        | 134        | 51        | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b> | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b>             | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b> | <b>703</b> | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b>  | <b>72</b> | <b>86</b>  | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b> | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| Very interested       | 158            | 82         | 8           | 68                    | 35         | 30                   | 84         | 41         | 46                     | 24                | 30                           | 69               | 14         | 150        | 7          | 45         | 16        | 25         | 20            | 10            | 3                        | 5          | 12         | 7         | 6           | 9          | 140         |
|                       | 14%            | 16%        | 7%          | 13%                   | 9%         | 10%                  | 33%        | 10%        | 9%                     | 8%                | 14%                          | 24%              | 6%         | 14%        | 7%         | 28%        | 15%       | 17%        | 20%           | 10%           | 4%                       | 5%         | 9%         | 14%       | 10%         | 8%         | 12%         |
| Fairly interested     | 453            | 211        | 48          | 194                   | 132        | 109                  | 130        | 154        | 194                    | 88                | 93                           | 147              | 76         | 421        | 32         | 69         | 44        | 54         | 43            | 43            | 36                       | 32         | 50         | 19        | 21          | 43         | 440         |
|                       | 39%            | 41%        | 44%         | 37%                   | 36%        | 38%                  | 52%        | 36%        | 37%                    | 27%               | 43%                          | 51%              | 35%        | 40%        | 32%        | 43%        | 40%       | 37%        | 42%           | 41%           | 42%                      | 32%        | 37%        | 36%       | 36%         | 42%        | 38%         |
| Not very interested   | 336            | 138        | 35          | 163                   | 111        | 98                   | 27         | 129        | 180                    | 109               | 69                           | 57               | 71         | 303        | 32         | 36         | 23        | 38         | 30            | 32            | 28                       | 34         | 49         | 17        | 18          | 29         | 352         |
|                       | 29%            | 27%        | 32%         | 31%                   | 30%        | 34%                  | 11%        | 31%        | 35%                    | 34%               | 33%                          | 20%              | 32%        | 29%        | 32%        | 22%        | 21%       | 26%        | 29%           | 31%           | 32%                      | 33%        | 37%        | 34%       | 32%         | 29%        | 30%         |
| Not at all interested | 203            | 85         | 18          | 100                   | 91         | 48                   | 10         | 97         | 97                     | 97                | 21                           | 11               | 57         | 176        | 26         | 11         | 24        | 27         | 9             | 18            | 20                       | 30         | 22         | 8         | 13          | 21         | 217         |
|                       | 18%            | 16%        | 16%         | 19%                   | 24%        | 17%                  | 4%         | 23%        | 19%                    | 30%               | 10%                          | 4%               | 26%        | 17%        | 26%        | 7%         | 22%       | 19%        | 9%            | 17%           | 23%                      | 30%        | 16%        | 16%       | 22%         | 21%        | 19%         |
| Don't know            | 6              | 4          | -           | 2                     | 3          | 2                    | 2          | 2          | 5                      | 2                 | -                            | 3                | 1          | 4          | 2          | *          | 2         | 3          | -             | 1             | -                        | -          | 1          | -         | -           | -          | 7           |
|                       | 1%             | 1%         | -           | *                     | 1%         | 1%                   | 1%         | *          | 1%                     | 1%                | -                            | 1%               | 1%         | *          | 2%         | *          | 2%        | 2%         | -             | *             | -                        | -          | 1%         | -         | -           | -          | 1%          |
| <b>Interested</b>     | <b>611</b>     | <b>293</b> | <b>56</b>   | <b>262</b>            | <b>167</b> | <b>139</b>           | <b>214</b> | <b>195</b> | <b>240</b>             | <b>112</b>        | <b>123</b>                   | <b>216</b>       | <b>90</b>  | <b>571</b> | <b>39</b>  | <b>114</b> | <b>61</b> | <b>78</b>  | <b>63</b>     | <b>53</b>     | <b>39</b>                | <b>37</b>  | <b>62</b>  | <b>25</b> | <b>27</b>   | <b>51</b>  | <b>580</b>  |
|                       | 53%            | 56%        | 51%         | 50%                   | 45%        | 49%                  | 85%        | 46%        | 46%                    | 35%               | 57%                          | 75%              | 41%        | 54%        | 39%        | 71%        | 55%       | 53%        | 62%           | 51%           | 45%                      | 37%        | 46%        | 50%       | 46%         | 50%        | 50%         |
| <b>Not interested</b> | <b>539</b>     | <b>223</b> | <b>53</b>   | <b>263</b>            | <b>202</b> | <b>145</b>           | <b>37</b>  | <b>226</b> | <b>277</b>             | <b>206</b>        | <b>91</b>                    | <b>68</b>        | <b>128</b> | <b>479</b> | <b>59</b>  | <b>47</b>  | <b>47</b> | <b>66</b>  | <b>39</b>     | <b>50</b>     | <b>47</b>                | <b>64</b>  | <b>71</b>  | <b>25</b> | <b>31</b>   | <b>50</b>  | <b>569</b>  |
|                       | 47%            | 43%        | 49%         | 50%                   | 54%        | 51%                  | 15%        | 54%        | 53%                    | 65%               | 43%                          | 24%              | 58%        | 45%        | 59%        | 29%        | 43%       | 45%        | 38%           | 48%           | 55%                      | 63%        | 53%        | 50%       | 54%         | 50%        | 49%         |
| <b>Net interested</b> | <b>72</b>      | <b>70</b>  | <b>3</b>    | <b>-1</b>             | <b>-35</b> | <b>-6</b>            | <b>177</b> | <b>-32</b> | <b>-38</b>             | <b>-95</b>        | <b>32</b>                    | <b>148</b>       | <b>-38</b> | <b>92</b>  | <b>-19</b> | <b>67</b>  | <b>14</b> | <b>13</b>  | <b>24</b>     | <b>3</b>      | <b>-8</b>                | <b>-27</b> | <b>-9</b>  | <b>*</b>  | <b>-5</b>   | <b>1</b>   | <b>11</b>   |
|                       | 6%             | 13%        | 3%          | *                     | -9%        | -2%                  | 70%        | -8%        | -7%                    | -30%              | 15%                          | 52%              | -17%       | 9%         | -19%       | 42%        | 12%       | 9%         | 23%           | 3%            | -10%                     | -27%       | -7%        | *         | -8%         | 1%         | 1%          |

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Table 39

### Q.7 How interested would you say you are in politics?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Urbanity          |                   |                  | Interest in politics |                    | Likelihood to vote   |                   | Political activism |                   | Opinion on present system |                   | Knew local MP     |                   | Unwtd total       |                   |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                       | Total             | Urban             | Rural            | Mixed                | Interested         | Not interested       | Certain to        | Certain not to     | Activist          | Non-activist              | Works well        | Needs improvement | Yes               |                   | No                |
| Unweighted total      | 1156              | 773               | 145              | 238                  | 580                | 569                  | 627               | 143                | 160               | 996                       | 327               | 783               | 495               | 661               | 1156              |
| Weighted total        | 1156              | 784               | 136              | 235                  | 611                | 539                  | 619               | 140                | 180               | 976                       | 322               | 793               | 511               | 645               | 1156              |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>        | <b>535</b>        | <b>97</b>        | <b>170</b>           | <b>404</b>         | <b>394</b>           | <b>430</b>        | <b>96</b>          | <b>118</b>        | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b>        | <b>543</b>        | <b>339</b>        | <b>464</b>        | <b>1156</b>       |
| Very interested       | 158<br>14%        | 110<br>14%        | 9<br>7%          | 38<br>16%            | 158<br>26%         | -                    | 123<br>20%        | 6<br>4%            | 81<br>45%         | 77<br>8%                  | 42<br>13%         | 115<br>15%        | 98<br>19%         | 60<br>9%          | 140<br>12%        |
| Fairly interested     | 453<br>39%        | 299<br>38%        | 74<br>54%        | 81<br>34%            | 453<br>74%         | -                    | 300<br>49%        | 28<br>20%          | 75<br>42%         | 379<br>39%                | 143<br>45%        | 300<br>38%        | 221<br>43%        | 232<br>36%        | 440<br>38%        |
| Not very interested   | 336<br>29%        | 222<br>28%        | 37<br>27%        | 77<br>33%            | -                  | 336<br>62%           | 139<br>22%        | 39<br>28%          | 22<br>12%         | 314<br>32%                | 89<br>28%         | 239<br>30%        | 140<br>27%        | 196<br>30%        | 352<br>30%        |
| Not at all interested | 203<br>18%        | 147<br>19%        | 16<br>12%        | 39<br>17%            | -                  | 203<br>38%           | 54<br>9%          | 65<br>46%          | 2<br>1%           | 201<br>21%                | 45<br>14%         | 135<br>17%        | 50<br>10%         | 153<br>24%        | 217<br>19%        |
| Don't know            | 6<br>1%           | 6<br>1%           | -                | -                    | -                  | -                    | 2<br>*            | 1<br>1%            | -                 | 6<br>1%                   | 2<br>1%           | 4<br>1%           | 2<br>*            | 4<br>1%           | 7<br>1%           |
| <b>Interested</b>     | <b>611</b><br>53% | <b>409</b><br>52% | <b>83</b><br>61% | <b>119</b><br>51%    | <b>611</b><br>100% | <b>-</b>             | <b>424</b><br>69% | <b>34</b><br>25%   | <b>156</b><br>87% | <b>455</b><br>47%         | <b>186</b><br>58% | <b>415</b><br>52% | <b>319</b><br>62% | <b>292</b><br>45% | <b>580</b><br>50% |
| <b>Not interested</b> | <b>539</b><br>47% | <b>369</b><br>47% | <b>54</b><br>39% | <b>116</b><br>49%    | <b>-</b>           | <b>539</b><br>100%   | <b>193</b><br>31% | <b>104</b><br>75%  | <b>24</b><br>13%  | <b>515</b><br>53%         | <b>134</b><br>42% | <b>374</b><br>47% | <b>190</b><br>37% | <b>349</b><br>54% | <b>569</b><br>49% |
| <b>Net interested</b> | <b>72</b><br>6%   | <b>40</b><br>5%   | <b>29</b><br>21% | <b>3</b><br>1%       | <b>611</b><br>100% | <b>-539</b><br>-100% | <b>231</b><br>37% | <b>-70</b><br>-50% | <b>132</b><br>73% | <b>-60</b><br>-6%         | <b>51</b><br>16%  | <b>42</b><br>5%   | <b>129</b><br>25% | <b>-57</b><br>-9% | <b>11</b><br>1%   |

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Table 40

### Q.7 How interested would you say you are in politics?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Quiz score               |                            |                          | Satisfaction with local MP |                          | Satisfaction with MPs in general |                          | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |                          | Use of internet           |                          | Unwtd total               |                          |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
|                       | Total                    | Scored 0-3                 | Scored 4-6               | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                           | Agree                    | Disagree                  | Use internet             |                           | Do not use internet      |
| Unweighted total      | 1156                     | 210                        | 463                      | 483                        | 459                      | 183                              | 349                      | 502                                    | 438                      | 450                       | 762                      | 394                       | 1156                     |
| Weighted total        | 1156                     | 187                        | 470                      | 499                        | 444                      | 190                              | 336                      | 515                                    | 427                      | 474                       | 826                      | 330                       | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>               | <b>150</b>                 | <b>310</b>               | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b>               | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b>               | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b>               | <b>302</b>                | <b>540</b>               | <b>269</b>                | <b>1156</b>              |
| Very interested       | 158<br>14%               | 2<br>1%                    | 36<br>8%                 | 119<br>24%                 | 77<br>17%                | 36<br>19%                        | 68<br>20%                | 64<br>12%                              | 69<br>16%                | 55<br>12%                 | 134<br>16%               | 24<br>7%                  | 140<br>12%               |
| Fairly interested     | 453<br>39%               | 38<br>20%                  | 177<br>38%               | 238<br>48%                 | 200<br>45%               | 60<br>32%                        | 152<br>45%               | 183<br>36%                             | 203<br>47%               | 158<br>33%                | 337<br>41%               | 116<br>35%                | 440<br>38%               |
| Not very interested   | 336<br>29%               | 56<br>30%                  | 164<br>35%               | 116<br>23%                 | 105<br>24%               | 50<br>27%                        | 74<br>22%                | 166<br>32%                             | 105<br>25%               | 157<br>33%                | 231<br>28%               | 105<br>32%                | 352<br>30%               |
| Not at all interested | 203<br>18%               | 87<br>46%                  | 91<br>19%                | 25<br>5%                   | 59<br>13%                | 41<br>21%                        | 39<br>12%                | 100<br>19%                             | 47<br>11%                | 102<br>21%                | 121<br>15%               | 82<br>25%                 | 217<br>19%               |
| Don't know            | 6<br>1%                  | 4<br>2%                    | 1<br>*                   | 1<br>*                     | 2<br>*                   | 3<br>1%                          | 4<br>1%                  | 1<br>*                                 | 4<br>1%                  | 2<br>*                    | 4<br>*                   | 3<br>1%                   | 7<br>1%                  |
| <b>Interested</b>     | <b>611</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>40</b><br><b>21%</b>    | <b>214</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>357</b><br><b>72%</b>   | <b>278</b><br><b>63%</b> | <b>96</b><br><b>51%</b>          | <b>219</b><br><b>65%</b> | <b>247</b><br><b>48%</b>               | <b>272</b><br><b>64%</b> | <b>213</b><br><b>45%</b>  | <b>471</b><br><b>57%</b> | <b>140</b><br><b>42%</b>  | <b>580</b><br><b>50%</b> |
| <b>Not interested</b> | <b>539</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>143</b><br><b>76%</b>   | <b>254</b><br><b>54%</b> | <b>141</b><br><b>28%</b>   | <b>164</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>91</b><br><b>48%</b>          | <b>113</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>266</b><br><b>52%</b>               | <b>151</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>259</b><br><b>55%</b>  | <b>352</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>187</b><br><b>57%</b>  | <b>569</b><br><b>49%</b> |
| <b>Net interested</b> | <b>72</b><br><b>6%</b>   | <b>-103</b><br><b>-55%</b> | <b>-40</b><br><b>-9%</b> | <b>216</b><br><b>43%</b>   | <b>113</b><br><b>26%</b> | <b>5</b><br><b>3%</b>            | <b>106</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>-19</b><br><b>-4%</b>               | <b>121</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>-46</b><br><b>-10%</b> | <b>119</b><br><b>14%</b> | <b>-47</b><br><b>-14%</b> | <b>11</b><br><b>1%</b>   |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 41

### Q.7 How interested would you say you are in politics?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Seat marginality         |                          |                          |                          | Segment                  |                         |                          |                          |                           |                         |                         |                           | Unwtd total               |                          |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
|                       | Less than 5% majority    | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%)  | Safe (>20%)              | Politically committed    | Active campaigners      | Interested bystanders    | Detached cynics          | Politically contented     | Bored/apathetic         | Disengaged/mistrustful  | Alienated/hostile         |                           |                          |
| Unweighted total      | 1156                     | 163                      | 351                      | 386                      | 419                      | 96                      | 142                      | 146                      | 228                       | 62                      | 93                      | 287                       | 102                       | 1156                     |
| Weighted total        | 1156                     | 175                      | 373                      | 396                      | 387                      | 116                     | 157                      | 159                      | 191                       | 66                      | 92                      | 277                       | 99                        | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>               | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>               | <b>263</b>               | <b>290</b>               | <b>72</b>               | <b>101</b>               | <b>92</b>                | <b>160</b>                | <b>49</b>               | <b>66</b>               | <b>209</b>                | <b>63</b>                 | <b>1156</b>              |
| Very interested       | 158<br>14%               | 37<br>21%                | 67<br>18%                | 65<br>16%                | 25<br>7%                 | 55<br>48%               | 45<br>29%                | 21<br>13%                | 14<br>7%                  | 3<br>5%                 | 3<br>4%                 | 16<br>6%                  | -                         | 140<br>12%               |
| Fairly interested     | 453<br>39%               | 68<br>39%                | 157<br>42%               | 137<br>35%               | 159<br>41%               | 44<br>38%               | 88<br>56%                | 96<br>60%                | 65<br>34%                 | 36<br>54%               | 39<br>42%               | 82<br>29%                 | 4<br>4%                   | 440<br>38%               |
| Not very interested   | 336<br>29%               | 45<br>26%                | 96<br>26%                | 125<br>32%               | 115<br>30%               | 15<br>13%               | 23<br>14%                | 38<br>24%                | 75<br>39%                 | 23<br>34%               | 28<br>31%               | 111<br>40%                | 23<br>23%                 | 352<br>30%               |
| Not at all interested | 203<br>18%               | 24<br>14%                | 51<br>14%                | 66<br>17%                | 86<br>22%                | 1<br>1%                 | 1<br>1%                  | 4<br>3%                  | 37<br>19%                 | 4<br>5%                 | 22<br>24%               | 67<br>24%                 | 67<br>68%                 | 217<br>19%               |
| Don't know            | 6<br>1%                  | 1<br>1%                  | 1<br>*                   | 3<br>1%                  | 2<br>*                   | -                       | -                        | -                        | -                         | 1<br>1%                 | -                       | 1<br>*                    | 4<br>4%                   | 7<br>1%                  |
| <b>Interested</b>     | <b>611</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>105</b><br><b>60%</b> | <b>225</b><br><b>60%</b> | <b>202</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>184</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>99</b><br><b>86%</b> | <b>133</b><br><b>85%</b> | <b>117</b><br><b>73%</b> | <b>79</b><br><b>41%</b>   | <b>39</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>42</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>98</b><br><b>35%</b>   | <b>4</b><br><b>4%</b>     | <b>580</b><br><b>50%</b> |
| <b>Not interested</b> | <b>539</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>68</b><br><b>39%</b>  | <b>147</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>191</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>201</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>16</b><br><b>14%</b> | <b>24</b><br><b>15%</b>  | <b>42</b><br><b>27%</b>  | <b>112</b><br><b>59%</b>  | <b>26</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>50</b><br><b>54%</b> | <b>178</b><br><b>64%</b>  | <b>90</b><br><b>92%</b>   | <b>569</b><br><b>49%</b> |
| <b>Net interested</b> | <b>72</b><br><b>6%</b>   | <b>37</b><br><b>21%</b>  | <b>78</b><br><b>21%</b>  | <b>11</b><br><b>3%</b>   | <b>-17</b><br><b>-4%</b> | <b>83</b><br><b>72%</b> | <b>109</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>74</b><br><b>47%</b>  | <b>-33</b><br><b>-17%</b> | <b>13</b><br><b>19%</b> | <b>-8</b><br><b>-8%</b> | <b>-80</b><br><b>-29%</b> | <b>-86</b><br><b>-87%</b> | <b>11</b><br><b>1%</b>   |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 42

### Q.8 How interested would you say you are in local issues?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Gender                   |                          | Age                      |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          |                         |                         |                          |                          | Social class             |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          | Region                   |                          |                          | Marital status           |                          |                          | Unwtd total              |                                |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
|                       | Total                    | Male                     | Female                   | 18-24                    | 25-34                    | 35-44                    | 45-54                    | 55-64                    | 65-74                   | 75+                     | 18-34                    | 35-54                    | 55+                      | AB                       | C1                       | C2                       | DE                       | ABC1                     | C2DE                     | North                    | South                    | Mid lands                | Single                   | Married /Co-hab iting    |                          | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |
| Unweighted total      | 1156                     | 552                      | 604                      | 138                      | 207                      | 206                      | 141                      | 170                      | 159                     | 135                     | 345                      | 347                      | 464                      | 224                      | 353                      | 257                      | 322                      | 577                      | 579                      | 438                      | 339                      | 379                      | 290                      | 669                      | 197                      | 1156                           |
| Weighted total        | 1156                     | 561                      | 595                      | 173                      | 183                      | 216                      | 186                      | 169                      | 117                     | 111                     | 356                      | 402                      | 398                      | 310                      | 333                      | 241                      | 272                      | 642                      | 514                      | 387                      | 411                      | 358                      | 306                      | 681                      | 169                      | 1156                           |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>               | <b>391</b>               | <b>410</b>               | <b>98</b>                | <b>145</b>               | <b>149</b>               | <b>105</b>               | <b>117</b>               | <b>135</b>              | <b>87</b>               | <b>236</b>               | <b>252</b>               | <b>323</b>               | <b>161</b>               | <b>256</b>               | <b>191</b>               | <b>222</b>               | <b>401</b>               | <b>413</b>               | <b>312</b>               | <b>250</b>               | <b>251</b>               | <b>203</b>               | <b>463</b>               | <b>139</b>               | <b>1156</b>                    |
| Very interested       | 218<br>19%               | 103<br>18%               | 115<br>19%               | 19<br>11%                | 26<br>14%                | 27<br>13%                | 41<br>22%                | 44<br>26%                | 29<br>25%               | 31<br>28%               | 45<br>13%                | 68<br>17%                | 105<br>26%               | 88<br>28%                | 58<br>17%                | 42<br>17%                | 31<br>11%                | 146<br>23%               | 72<br>14%                | 56<br>15%                | 100<br>24%               | 62<br>17%                | 41<br>13%                | 131<br>19%               | 47<br>28%                | 223<br>19%                     |
| Fairly interested     | 679<br>59%               | 317<br>56%               | 362<br>61%               | 89<br>51%                | 106<br>58%               | 128<br>59%               | 119<br>64%               | 105<br>62%               | 68<br>58%               | 63<br>56%               | 195<br>55%               | 248<br>62%               | 236<br>59%               | 187<br>60%               | 196<br>59%               | 144<br>60%               | 152<br>56%               | 383<br>60%               | 296<br>58%               | 225<br>58%               | 245<br>60%               | 208<br>58%               | 160<br>52%               | 423<br>62%               | 96<br>57%                | 650<br>56%                     |
| Not very interested   | 193<br>17%               | 107<br>19%               | 86<br>14%                | 57<br>33%                | 34<br>19%                | 43<br>20%                | 18<br>10%                | 15<br>9%                 | 12<br>12%               | 91<br>10%               | 61<br>25%                | 41<br>15%                | 41<br>10%                | 24<br>8%                 | 65<br>19%                | 47<br>20%                | 57<br>21%                | 89<br>14%                | 105<br>20%               | 82<br>21%                | 50<br>12%                | 61<br>17%                | 79<br>26%                | 98<br>14%                | 16<br>10%                | 203<br>18%                     |
| Not at all interested | 64<br>6%                 | 33<br>6%                 | 31<br>5%                 | 8<br>5%                  | 17<br>9%                 | 17<br>8%                 | 7<br>4%                  | 5<br>3%                  | 5<br>4%                 | 6<br>5%                 | 25<br>7%                 | 23<br>6%                 | 15<br>4%                 | 10<br>3%                 | 14<br>4%                 | 8<br>3%                  | 31<br>12%                | 24<br>4%                 | 40<br>8%                 | 22<br>6%                 | 15<br>4%                 | 26<br>7%                 | 26<br>8%                 | 28<br>4%                 | 10<br>6%                 | 76<br>7%                       |
| Don't know            | 2<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | 1<br>1%                  | -                        | 1<br>*                   | -                        | -                        | *                       | -                       | 1<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | *                        | -                        | 1<br>*                   | -                        | 1<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | *                        | 1<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | *                        | 4<br>*                         |
| <b>Interested</b>     | <b>897</b><br><b>78%</b> | <b>420</b><br><b>75%</b> | <b>477</b><br><b>80%</b> | <b>108</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>132</b><br><b>72%</b> | <b>155</b><br><b>72%</b> | <b>161</b><br><b>87%</b> | <b>149</b><br><b>88%</b> | <b>97</b><br><b>83%</b> | <b>94</b><br><b>85%</b> | <b>240</b><br><b>67%</b> | <b>316</b><br><b>79%</b> | <b>341</b><br><b>86%</b> | <b>275</b><br><b>89%</b> | <b>254</b><br><b>76%</b> | <b>186</b><br><b>77%</b> | <b>182</b><br><b>67%</b> | <b>529</b><br><b>82%</b> | <b>368</b><br><b>72%</b> | <b>282</b><br><b>73%</b> | <b>345</b><br><b>84%</b> | <b>270</b><br><b>75%</b> | <b>200</b><br><b>65%</b> | <b>554</b><br><b>81%</b> | <b>143</b><br><b>84%</b> | <b>873</b><br><b>76%</b>       |
| <b>Not interested</b> | <b>257</b><br><b>22%</b> | <b>140</b><br><b>25%</b> | <b>117</b><br><b>20%</b> | <b>64</b><br><b>37%</b>  | <b>51</b><br><b>28%</b>  | <b>60</b><br><b>28%</b>  | <b>25</b><br><b>13%</b>  | <b>20</b><br><b>12%</b>  | <b>19</b><br><b>17%</b> | <b>17</b><br><b>15%</b> | <b>115</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>85</b><br><b>21%</b>  | <b>57</b><br><b>14%</b>  | <b>34</b><br><b>11%</b>  | <b>78</b><br><b>23%</b>  | <b>56</b><br><b>23%</b>  | <b>89</b><br><b>33%</b>  | <b>112</b><br><b>18%</b> | <b>145</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>104</b><br><b>27%</b> | <b>65</b><br><b>16%</b>  | <b>87</b><br><b>24%</b>  | <b>105</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>126</b><br><b>18%</b> | <b>26</b><br><b>15%</b>  | <b>279</b><br><b>24%</b>       |
| <b>Net interested</b> | <b>640</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>280</b><br><b>50%</b> | <b>360</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>43</b><br><b>25%</b>  | <b>82</b><br><b>44%</b>  | <b>95</b><br><b>44%</b>  | <b>136</b><br><b>73%</b> | <b>129</b><br><b>76%</b> | <b>78</b><br><b>67%</b> | <b>77</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>125</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>231</b><br><b>58%</b> | <b>284</b><br><b>71%</b> | <b>241</b><br><b>78%</b> | <b>176</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>130</b><br><b>54%</b> | <b>93</b><br><b>34%</b>  | <b>416</b><br><b>65%</b> | <b>224</b><br><b>44%</b> | <b>177</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>280</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>183</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>95</b><br><b>31%</b>  | <b>428</b><br><b>63%</b> | <b>117</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>594</b><br><b>51%</b>       |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 43

### Q.8 How interested would you say you are in local issues?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity  |            | GO Region  |            |           |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           | Unwtd total |            |             |
|-----------------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|                       | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME        | South East | Eastern    | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland   |             |
| Unweighted total      | 1156           | 425        | 109         | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548                    | 318               | 183                          | 258              | 274        | 1007       | 146        | 116        | 102       | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68        | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | 1156           | 520        | 109         | 527                   | 372        | 287                  | 253        | 423        | 522                    | 320               | 213                          | 287              | 219        | 1054       | 100        | 162        | 110       | 147        | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101        | 134        | 51        | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b> | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b>             | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b> | <b>703</b> | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b>  | <b>72</b> | <b>86</b>  | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b> | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| Very interested       | 218            | 102        | 20          | 96                    | 51         | 39                   | 79         | 71         | 82                     | 43                | 40                           | 76               | 32         | 207        | 11         | 56         | 22        | 22         | 22            | 16            | 9                        | 12         | 15         | 9         | 15          | 21         | 223         |
|                       | 19%            | 20%        | 18%         | 18%                   | 14%        | 13%                  | 31%        | 17%        | 16%                    | 13%               | 19%                          | 27%              | 15%        | 20%        | 11%        | 35%        | 20%       | 15%        | 22%           | 15%           | 10%                      | 12%        | 11%        | 18%       | 26%         | 20%        | 19%         |
| Fairly interested     | 679            | 314        | 62          | 303                   | 230        | 161                  | 142        | 259        | 301                    | 191               | 127                          | 179              | 118        | 622        | 56         | 91         | 61        | 90         | 65            | 63            | 56                       | 57         | 87         | 25        | 28          | 56         | 650         |
|                       | 59%            | 60%        | 57%         | 57%                   | 62%        | 56%                  | 56%        | 61%        | 58%                    | 60%               | 60%                          | 62%              | 54%        | 59%        | 56%        | 56%        | 56%       | 61%        | 63%           | 61%           | 64%                      | 57%        | 65%        | 50%       | 48%         | 55%        | 56%         |
| Not very interested   | 193            | 76         | 23          | 94                    | 67         | 66                   | 28         | 67         | 102                    | 64                | 43                           | 26               | 45         | 170        | 23         | 14         | 20        | 23         | 13            | 17            | 13                       | 28         | 23         | 11        | 11          | 20         | 203         |
|                       | 17%            | 15%        | 21%         | 18%                   | 18%        | 23%                  | 11%        | 16%        | 19%                    | 20%               | 20%                          | 9%               | 21%        | 16%        | 23%        | 8%         | 18%       | 16%        | 13%           | 17%           | 15%                      | 28%        | 17%        | 22%       | 18%         | 20%        | 18%         |
| Not at all interested | 64             | 27         | 4           | 32                    | 23         | 20                   | 3          | 26         | 35                     | 22                | 4                            | 6                | 23         | 54         | 10         | 1          | 6         | 12         | 3             | 8             | 8                        | 4          | 9          | 4         | 4           | 5          | 76          |
|                       | 6%             | 5%         | 4%          | 6%                    | 6%         | 7%                   | 1%         | 6%         | 7%                     | 7%                | 2%                           | 2%               | 10%        | 5%         | 10%        | *          | 6%        | 8%         | 3%            | 7%            | 9%                       | 4%         | 7%         | 7%        | 7%          | 5%         | 7%          |
| Don't know            | 2              | -          | -           | 2                     | 1          | 1                    | -          | -          | 2                      | 1                 | -                            | -                | 1          | 1          | 1          | -          | -         | -          | -             | -             | -                        | -          | -          | 1         | -           | -          | 4           |
|                       | *              | -          | -           | *                     | *          | *                    | -          | -          | *                      | *                 | -                            | -                | *          | *          | 1%         | -          | -         | -          | -             | -             | 1%                       | -          | -          | 2%        | -           | -          | *           |
| <b>Interested</b>     | <b>897</b>     | <b>416</b> | <b>82</b>   | <b>399</b>            | <b>281</b> | <b>200</b>           | <b>221</b> | <b>330</b> | <b>383</b>             | <b>234</b>        | <b>167</b>                   | <b>255</b>       | <b>151</b> | <b>829</b> | <b>67</b>  | <b>147</b> | <b>83</b> | <b>111</b> | <b>87</b>     | <b>79</b>     | <b>65</b>                | <b>69</b>  | <b>101</b> | <b>35</b> | <b>43</b>   | <b>76</b>  | <b>873</b>  |
|                       | 78%            | 80%        | 75%         | 76%                   | 76%        | 70%                  | 88%        | 78%        | 73%                    | 73%               | 78%                          | 89%              | 69%        | 79%        | 67%        | 91%        | 76%       | 76%        | 85%           | 76%           | 75%                      | 69%        | 76%        | 68%       | 74%         | 75%        | 76%         |
| <b>Not interested</b> | <b>257</b>     | <b>104</b> | <b>27</b>   | <b>126</b>            | <b>89</b>  | <b>86</b>            | <b>31</b>  | <b>93</b>  | <b>137</b>             | <b>85</b>         | <b>47</b>                    | <b>32</b>        | <b>68</b>  | <b>224</b> | <b>32</b>  | <b>14</b>  | <b>26</b> | <b>35</b>  | <b>16</b>     | <b>25</b>     | <b>22</b>                | <b>31</b>  | <b>32</b>  | <b>15</b> | <b>15</b>   | <b>25</b>  | <b>279</b>  |
|                       | 22%            | 20%        | 25%         | 24%                   | 24%        | 30%                  | 12%        | 22%        | 26%                    | 27%               | 22%                          | 11%              | 31%        | 21%        | 32%        | 9%         | 24%       | 24%        | 15%           | 24%           | 25%                      | 31%        | 24%        | 30%       | 26%         | 25%        | 24%         |
| <b>Net interested</b> | <b>640</b>     | <b>312</b> | <b>55</b>   | <b>273</b>            | <b>192</b> | <b>113</b>           | <b>190</b> | <b>238</b> | <b>246</b>             | <b>149</b>        | <b>120</b>                   | <b>223</b>       | <b>82</b>  | <b>605</b> | <b>35</b>  | <b>133</b> | <b>57</b> | <b>76</b>  | <b>72</b>     | <b>54</b>     | <b>43</b>                | <b>38</b>  | <b>69</b>  | <b>19</b> | <b>28</b>   | <b>51</b>  | <b>594</b>  |
|                       | 55%            | 60%        | 50%         | 52%                   | 52%        | 40%                  | 75%        | 56%        | 47%                    | 46%               | 56%                          | 78%              | 38%        | 57%        | 35%        | 82%        | 52%       | 52%        | 70%           | 52%           | 50%                      | 38%        | 52%        | 38%       | 49%         | 50%        | 51%         |

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Table 44

### Q.8 How interested would you say you are in local issues?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Urbanity                 |                          |                          | Interest in politics     |                          | Likelihood to vote       |                          | Political activism      |                          | Opinion on present system |                          | Knew local MP            |                          | Unwtd total              |                          |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                       | Total                    | Urban                    | Rural                    | Mixed                    | Interested               | Not interested           | Certain to               | Certain not to          | Activist                 | Non-activist              | Works well               | Needs improvement        | Yes                      |                          | No                       |
| Unweighted total      | 1156                     | 773                      | 145                      | 238                      | 580                      | 569                      | 627                      | 143                     | 160                      | 996                       | 327                      | 783                      | 495                      | 661                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total        | 1156                     | 784                      | 136                      | 235                      | 611                      | 539                      | 619                      | 140                     | 180                      | 976                       | 322                      | 793                      | 511                      | 645                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b>               | <b>97</b>                | <b>170</b>               | <b>404</b>               | <b>394</b>               | <b>430</b>               | <b>96</b>               | <b>118</b>               | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b>               | <b>543</b>               | <b>339</b>               | <b>464</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Very interested       | 218<br>19%               | 139<br>18%               | 28<br>21%                | 51<br>22%                | 181<br>30%               | 36<br>7%                 | 151<br>24%               | 8<br>6%                 | 77<br>43%                | 141<br>14%                | 40<br>12%                | 177<br>22%               | 118<br>23%               | 100<br>16%               | 223<br>19%               |
| Fairly interested     | 679<br>59%               | 457<br>58%               | 92<br>67%                | 130<br>55%               | 382<br>62%               | 297<br>55%               | 383<br>62%               | 69<br>49%               | 93<br>52%                | 586<br>60%                | 208<br>65%               | 453<br>57%               | 320<br>63%               | 358<br>56%               | 650<br>56%               |
| Not very interested   | 193<br>17%               | 133<br>17%               | 15<br>11%                | 45<br>19%                | 47<br>8%                 | 145<br>27%               | 68<br>11%                | 39<br>28%               | 10<br>5%                 | 184<br>19%                | 62<br>19%                | 125<br>16%               | 60<br>12%                | 133<br>21%               | 203<br>18%               |
| Not at all interested | 64<br>6%                 | 53<br>7%                 | 1<br>1%                  | 9<br>4%                  | 1<br>*                   | 60<br>11%                | 15<br>2%                 | 24<br>17%               | -                        | 64<br>7%                  | 11<br>3%                 | 38<br>5%                 | 12<br>2%                 | 52<br>8%                 | 76<br>7%                 |
| Don't know            | 2<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | -                        | 1<br>*                   | *<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | -                       | -                        | 2<br>*                    | 1<br>*                   | *<br>*                   | *<br>*                   | 2<br>*                   | 4<br>*                   |
| <b>Interested</b>     | <b>897</b><br><b>78%</b> | <b>596</b><br><b>76%</b> | <b>120</b><br><b>88%</b> | <b>181</b><br><b>77%</b> | <b>563</b><br><b>92%</b> | <b>333</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>534</b><br><b>86%</b> | <b>77</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>170</b><br><b>95%</b> | <b>727</b><br><b>74%</b>  | <b>248</b><br><b>77%</b> | <b>630</b><br><b>79%</b> | <b>439</b><br><b>86%</b> | <b>458</b><br><b>71%</b> | <b>873</b><br><b>76%</b> |
| <b>Not interested</b> | <b>257</b><br><b>22%</b> | <b>187</b><br><b>24%</b> | <b>16</b><br><b>12%</b>  | <b>54</b><br><b>23%</b>  | <b>47</b><br><b>8%</b>   | <b>204</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>84</b><br><b>14%</b>  | <b>63</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>10</b><br><b>5%</b>   | <b>247</b><br><b>25%</b>  | <b>73</b><br><b>23%</b>  | <b>163</b><br><b>21%</b> | <b>72</b><br><b>14%</b>  | <b>185</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>279</b><br><b>24%</b> |
| <b>Net interested</b> | <b>640</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>410</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>103</b><br><b>76%</b> | <b>127</b><br><b>54%</b> | <b>516</b><br><b>84%</b> | <b>128</b><br><b>24%</b> | <b>451</b><br><b>73%</b> | <b>14</b><br><b>10%</b> | <b>160</b><br><b>89%</b> | <b>480</b><br><b>49%</b>  | <b>175</b><br><b>54%</b> | <b>467</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>366</b><br><b>72%</b> | <b>273</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>594</b><br><b>51%</b> |

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### Q.8 How interested would you say you are in local issues?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Quiz score               |                          |                          | Satisfaction with local MP |                          | Satisfaction with MPs in general |                          | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |                          | Use of internet          |                          | Unwtd total              |                          |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                       | Total                    | Scored 0-3               | Scored 4-6               | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                           | Agree                    | Disagree                 | Use internet             |                          | Do not use internet      |
| Unweighted total      | 1156                     | 210                      | 463                      | 483                        | 459                      | 183                              | 349                      | 502                                    | 438                      | 450                      | 762                      | 394                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total        | 1156                     | 187                      | 470                      | 499                        | 444                      | 190                              | 336                      | 515                                    | 427                      | 474                      | 826                      | 330                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>               | <b>150</b>               | <b>310</b>               | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b>               | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b>               | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b>               | <b>302</b>               | <b>540</b>               | <b>269</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Very interested       | 218<br>19%               | 17<br>9%                 | 70<br>15%                | 131<br>26%                 | 110<br>25%               | 36<br>19%                        | 83<br>25%                | 86<br>17%                              | 110<br>26%               | 75<br>16%                | 165<br>20%               | 53<br>16%                | 223<br>19%               |
| Fairly interested     | 679<br>59%               | 88<br>47%                | 284<br>61%               | 306<br>61%                 | 266<br>60%               | 101<br>53%                       | 200<br>60%               | 303<br>59%                             | 248<br>58%               | 272<br>57%               | 490<br>59%               | 189<br>57%               | 650<br>56%               |
| Not very interested   | 193<br>17%               | 48<br>26%                | 89<br>19%                | 56<br>11%                  | 48<br>11%                | 36<br>19%                        | 36<br>11%                | 98<br>19%                              | 53<br>12%                | 99<br>21%                | 138<br>17%               | 55<br>17%                | 203<br>18%               |
| Not at all interested | 64<br>6%                 | 33<br>17%                | 25<br>5%                 | 6<br>1%                    | 19<br>4%                 | 17<br>9%                         | 17<br>5%                 | 27<br>5%                               | 17<br>4%                 | 27<br>6%                 | 33<br>4%                 | 31<br>9%                 | 76<br>7%                 |
| Don't know            | 2<br>*                   | 1<br>1%                  | 1<br>*                   | -<br>-                     | *<br>*                   | -<br>-                           | *<br>*                   | *<br>*                                 | -<br>-                   | 1<br>*                   | *<br>*                   | 2<br>1%                  | 4<br>*                   |
| <b>Interested</b>     | <b>897</b><br><b>78%</b> | <b>105</b><br><b>56%</b> | <b>354</b><br><b>75%</b> | <b>438</b><br><b>88%</b>   | <b>376</b><br><b>85%</b> | <b>137</b><br><b>72%</b>         | <b>284</b><br><b>84%</b> | <b>389</b><br><b>76%</b>               | <b>358</b><br><b>84%</b> | <b>347</b><br><b>73%</b> | <b>655</b><br><b>79%</b> | <b>242</b><br><b>73%</b> | <b>873</b><br><b>76%</b> |
| <b>Not interested</b> | <b>257</b><br><b>22%</b> | <b>81</b><br><b>43%</b>  | <b>114</b><br><b>24%</b> | <b>62</b><br><b>12%</b>    | <b>67</b><br><b>15%</b>  | <b>53</b><br><b>28%</b>          | <b>52</b><br><b>16%</b>  | <b>125</b><br><b>24%</b>               | <b>69</b><br><b>16%</b>  | <b>125</b><br><b>26%</b> | <b>171</b><br><b>21%</b> | <b>86</b><br><b>26%</b>  | <b>279</b><br><b>24%</b> |
| <b>Net interested</b> | <b>640</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>24</b><br><b>13%</b>  | <b>240</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>376</b><br><b>75%</b>   | <b>309</b><br><b>70%</b> | <b>84</b><br><b>44%</b>          | <b>231</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>264</b><br><b>51%</b>               | <b>289</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>222</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>484</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>156</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>594</b><br><b>51%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 46

### Q.8 How interested would you say you are in local issues?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Seat marginality         |                          |                          |                          | Segment                  |                          |                          |                          |                          |                         |                         |                          | Unwtd total               |                          |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
|                       | Less than 5% majority    | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%)  | Safe (>20%)              | Politically committed    | Active campaigners       | Interested bystanders    | Detached cynics          | Politically contented    | Bored/apathetic         | Disengaged/mistrustful  | Alienated/hostile        |                           |                          |
| Unweighted total      | 1156                     | 163                      | 351                      | 386                      | 419                      | 96                       | 142                      | 146                      | 228                      | 62                      | 93                      | 287                      | 102                       | 1156                     |
| Weighted total        | 1156                     | 175                      | 373                      | 396                      | 387                      | 116                      | 157                      | 159                      | 191                      | 66                      | 92                      | 277                      | 99                        | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>               | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>               | <b>263</b>               | <b>290</b>               | <b>72</b>                | <b>101</b>               | <b>92</b>                | <b>160</b>               | <b>49</b>               | <b>66</b>               | <b>209</b>               | <b>63</b>                 | <b>1156</b>              |
| Very interested       | 218<br>19%               | 37<br>21%                | 72<br>19%                | 82<br>21%                | 64<br>17%                | 51<br>44%                | 49<br>31%                | 37<br>23%                | 22<br>11%                | 13<br>20%               | 11<br>12%               | 32<br>11%                | 3<br>3%                   | 223<br>19%               |
| Fairly interested     | 679<br>59%               | 101<br>58%               | 235<br>63%               | 226<br>57%               | 218<br>56%               | 59<br>51%                | 97<br>62%                | 110<br>69%               | 127<br>66%               | 42<br>64%               | 58<br>63%               | 152<br>55%               | 34<br>34%                 | 650<br>56%               |
| Not very interested   | 193<br>17%               | 32<br>18%                | 57<br>15%                | 64<br>16%                | 73<br>19%                | 6<br>5%                  | 11<br>7%                 | 11<br>7%                 | 27<br>14%                | 10<br>16%               | 17<br>18%               | 77<br>28%                | 34<br>35%                 | 203<br>18%               |
| Not at all interested | 64<br>6%                 | 5<br>3%                  | 8<br>2%                  | 24<br>6%                 | 31<br>8%                 | -                        | -                        | 1<br>1%                  | 14<br>7%                 | -                       | 6<br>6%                 | 16<br>6%                 | 27<br>27%                 | 76<br>7%                 |
| Don't know            | 2<br>*                   | *<br>-                   | 1<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | -                        | -                        | -                        | -                        | 1<br>*                   | -                       | -                       | *<br>-                   | 1<br>1%                   | 4<br>*                   |
| <b>Interested</b>     | <b>897</b><br><b>78%</b> | <b>137</b><br><b>78%</b> | <b>307</b><br><b>82%</b> | <b>308</b><br><b>78%</b> | <b>283</b><br><b>73%</b> | <b>110</b><br><b>95%</b> | <b>146</b><br><b>93%</b> | <b>147</b><br><b>92%</b> | <b>149</b><br><b>78%</b> | <b>56</b><br><b>84%</b> | <b>69</b><br><b>75%</b> | <b>184</b><br><b>66%</b> | <b>37</b><br><b>37%</b>   | <b>873</b><br><b>76%</b> |
| <b>Not interested</b> | <b>257</b><br><b>22%</b> | <b>37</b><br><b>21%</b>  | <b>65</b><br><b>17%</b>  | <b>88</b><br><b>22%</b>  | <b>104</b><br><b>27%</b> | <b>6</b><br><b>5%</b>    | <b>11</b><br><b>7%</b>   | <b>12</b><br><b>8%</b>   | <b>41</b><br><b>22%</b>  | <b>10</b><br><b>16%</b> | <b>23</b><br><b>25%</b> | <b>93</b><br><b>34%</b>  | <b>61</b><br><b>62%</b>   | <b>279</b><br><b>24%</b> |
| <b>Net interested</b> | <b>640</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>100</b><br><b>57%</b> | <b>242</b><br><b>65%</b> | <b>220</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>178</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>104</b><br><b>90%</b> | <b>135</b><br><b>86%</b> | <b>135</b><br><b>85%</b> | <b>107</b><br><b>56%</b> | <b>45</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>47</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>91</b><br><b>33%</b>  | <b>-24</b><br><b>-24%</b> | <b>594</b><br><b>51%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 47

### Q.9 How interested would you say you are in national issues?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Gender             |                    | Age                |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |                    |                    | Social class       |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    | Region             |                    |                    | Marital status     |                    |                       | Unwtd total        |                                |         |
|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|---------|
|                       | Total              | Male               | Female             | 18-24              | 25-34              | 35-44              | 45-54              | 55-64              | 65-74             | 75+               | 18-34              | 35-54              | 55+                | AB                 | C1                 | C2                 | DE                 | ABC1               | C2DE               | North              | South              | Mid lands          | Single             | Married /Co-hab iting |                    | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |         |
| Unweighted total      | 1156               | 552                | 604                | 138                | 207                | 206                | 141                | 170                | 159               | 135               | 345                | 347                | 464                | 224                | 353                | 257                | 322                | 577                | 579                | 438                | 339                | 379                | 290                | 669                   | 197                | 1156                           |         |
| Weighted total        | 1156               | 561                | 595                | 173                | 183                | 216                | 186                | 169                | 117               | 111               | 356                | 402                | 398                | 310                | 333                | 241                | 272                | 642                | 514                | 387                | 411                | 358                | 306                | 681                   | 169                | 1156                           |         |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>         | <b>391</b>         | <b>410</b>         | <b>98</b>          | <b>145</b>         | <b>149</b>         | <b>105</b>         | <b>117</b>         | <b>135</b>        | <b>87</b>         | <b>236</b>         | <b>252</b>         | <b>323</b>         | <b>161</b>         | <b>256</b>         | <b>191</b>         | <b>222</b>         | <b>401</b>         | <b>413</b>         | <b>312</b>         | <b>250</b>         | <b>251</b>         | <b>203</b>         | <b>463</b>            | <b>139</b>         | <b>1156</b>                    |         |
| Very interested       | 259<br>22%         | 144<br>26%         | 115<br>19%         | 32<br>19%          | 30<br>16%          | 41<br>19%          | 54<br>29%          | 47<br>28%          | 27<br>23%         | 28<br>25%         | 62<br>18%          | 95<br>24%          | 101<br>25%         | 116<br>38%         | 69<br>21%          | 46<br>19%          | 28<br>10%          | 185<br>29%         | 74<br>14%          | 60<br>15%          | 142<br>34%         | 58<br>16%          | 50<br>16%          | 169<br>25%            | 40<br>24%          | 226<br>20%                     |         |
| Fairly interested     | 617<br>53%         | 290<br>52%         | 327<br>55%         | 83<br>48%          | 104<br>57%         | 114<br>53%         | 91<br>49%          | 96<br>57%          | 69<br>59%         | 61<br>54%         | 187<br>53%         | 204<br>51%         | 225<br>57%         | 163<br>53%         | 190<br>57%         | 126<br>52%         | 137<br>50%         | 353<br>55%         | 264<br>51%         | 218<br>56%         | 200<br>49%         | 198<br>55%         | 156<br>51%         | 371<br>54%            | 89<br>53%          | 612<br>53%                     |         |
| Not very interested   | 189<br>16%         | 86<br>15%          | 103<br>17%         | 42<br>24%          | 31<br>17%          | 31<br>15%          | 32<br>17%          | 21<br>12%          | 16<br>14%         | 15<br>14%         | 73<br>21%          | 63<br>16%          | 52<br>13%          | 24<br>8%           | 56<br>17%          | 43<br>18%          | 66<br>24%          | 80<br>12%          | 109<br>21%         | 77<br>20%          | 39<br>10%          | 72<br>20%          | 67<br>22%          | 96<br>14%             | 26<br>16%          | 210<br>18%                     |         |
| Not at all interested | 88<br>8%           | 41<br>7%           | 47<br>8%           | 15<br>9%           | 18<br>10%          | 29<br>13%          | 8<br>4%            | 6<br>3%            | 5<br>4%           | 7<br>6%           | 33<br>9%           | 37<br>9%           | 17<br>4%           | 5<br>2%            | 17<br>5%           | 26<br>11%          | 40<br>15%          | 22<br>3%           | 66<br>13%          | 31<br>8%           | 29<br>7%           | 28<br>8%           | 32<br>10%          | 43<br>6%              | 13<br>8%           | 102<br>9%                      |         |
| Don't know            | 3<br>*             | *<br>*             | 3<br>*             | -<br>-             | *<br>*             | 1<br>*             | 1<br>*             | -<br>-             | *<br>*            | 1<br>1%           | *<br>*             | 2<br>*             | 1<br>*             | 1<br>*             | 1<br>*             | *<br>*             | 1<br>*             | 2<br>*             | 2<br>*             | *<br>*             | 1<br>*             | 2<br>*             | 2<br>*             | 1<br>*                | 2<br>*             | *<br>*                         | 6<br>1% |
| <b>Interested</b>     | <b>876<br/>76%</b> | <b>434<br/>77%</b> | <b>442<br/>74%</b> | <b>116<br/>67%</b> | <b>134<br/>73%</b> | <b>155<br/>72%</b> | <b>145<br/>78%</b> | <b>143<br/>84%</b> | <b>96<br/>82%</b> | <b>88<br/>79%</b> | <b>250<br/>70%</b> | <b>299<br/>74%</b> | <b>327<br/>82%</b> | <b>279<br/>90%</b> | <b>259<br/>78%</b> | <b>172<br/>71%</b> | <b>165<br/>61%</b> | <b>538<br/>84%</b> | <b>338<br/>66%</b> | <b>278<br/>72%</b> | <b>342<br/>83%</b> | <b>256<br/>71%</b> | <b>207<br/>67%</b> | <b>540<br/>79%</b>    | <b>129<br/>77%</b> | <b>838<br/>72%</b>             |         |
| <b>Not interested</b> | <b>277<br/>24%</b> | <b>127<br/>23%</b> | <b>150<br/>25%</b> | <b>57<br/>33%</b>  | <b>49<br/>27%</b>  | <b>60<br/>28%</b>  | <b>40<br/>22%</b>  | <b>27<br/>16%</b>  | <b>21<br/>18%</b> | <b>22<br/>20%</b> | <b>107<br/>30%</b> | <b>101<br/>25%</b> | <b>70<br/>18%</b>  | <b>29<br/>10%</b>  | <b>73<br/>22%</b>  | <b>69<br/>29%</b>  | <b>106<br/>39%</b> | <b>102<br/>16%</b> | <b>175<br/>34%</b> | <b>108<br/>28%</b> | <b>68<br/>17%</b>  | <b>101<br/>28%</b> | <b>98<br/>32%</b>  | <b>139<br/>20%</b>    | <b>39<br/>23%</b>  | <b>312<br/>27%</b>             |         |
| <b>Net interested</b> | <b>599<br/>52%</b> | <b>307<br/>55%</b> | <b>292<br/>49%</b> | <b>58<br/>34%</b>  | <b>85<br/>46%</b>  | <b>94<br/>44%</b>  | <b>104<br/>56%</b> | <b>116<br/>69%</b> | <b>75<br/>64%</b> | <b>66<br/>59%</b> | <b>143<br/>40%</b> | <b>198<br/>49%</b> | <b>257<br/>65%</b> | <b>250<br/>81%</b> | <b>186<br/>56%</b> | <b>103<br/>43%</b> | <b>60<br/>22%</b>  | <b>436<br/>68%</b> | <b>163<br/>32%</b> | <b>170<br/>44%</b> | <b>274<br/>67%</b> | <b>155<br/>43%</b> | <b>108<br/>35%</b> | <b>401<br/>59%</b>    | <b>90<br/>53%</b>  | <b>526<br/>46%</b>             |         |

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Table 48

### Q.9 How interested would you say you are in national issues?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity  |            | GO Region  |            |           |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           | Unwtd total |            |             |
|-----------------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|                       | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME        | South East | Eastern    | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland   |             |
| Unweighted total      | 1156           | 425        | 109         | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548                    | 318               | 183                          | 258              | 274        | 1007       | 146        | 116        | 102       | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68        | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | 1156           | 520        | 109         | 527                   | 372        | 287                  | 253        | 423        | 522                    | 320               | 213                          | 287              | 219        | 1054       | 100        | 162        | 110       | 147        | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101        | 134        | 51        | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b> | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b>             | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b> | <b>703</b> | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b>  | <b>72</b> | <b>86</b>  | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b> | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| Very interested       | 259            | 133        | 29          | 97                    | 70         | 58                   | 117        | 77         | 85                     | 36                | 47                           | 114              | 23         | 245        | 14         | 81         | 26        | 33         | 28            | 19            | 4                        | 10         | 24         | 10        | 9           | 16         | 226         |
|                       | 22%            | 26%        | 26%         | 18%                   | 19%        | 20%                  | 46%        | 18%        | 16%                    | 11%               | 22%                          | 40%              | 11%        | 23%        | 14%        | 50%        | 23%       | 22%        | 28%           | 18%           | 4%                       | 10%        | 18%        | 19%       | 16%         | 16%        | 20%         |
| Fairly interested     | 617            | 279        | 55          | 283                   | 194        | 154                  | 117        | 230        | 289                    | 184               | 129                          | 143              | 114        | 566        | 49         | 64         | 56        | 75         | 61            | 56            | 55                       | 63         | 77         | 25        | 31          | 54         | 612         |
|                       | 53%            | 54%        | 50%         | 54%                   | 52%        | 54%                  | 46%        | 54%        | 55%                    | 57%               | 60%                          | 50%              | 52%        | 54%        | 49%        | 39%        | 51%       | 51%        | 60%           | 54%           | 63%                      | 62%        | 57%        | 49%       | 53%         | 53%        | 53%         |
| Not very interested   | 189            | 63         | 20          | 106                   | 69         | 49                   | 16         | 72         | 103                    | 63                | 31                           | 23               | 53         | 168        | 21         | 12         | 20        | 19         | 9             | 23            | 18                       | 18         | 23         | 12        | 11          | 25         | 210         |
|                       | 16%            | 12%        | 18%         | 20%                   | 19%        | 17%                  | 6%         | 17%        | 20%                    | 20%               | 14%                          | 8%               | 24%        | 16%        | 21%        | 7%         | 18%       | 13%        | 9%            | 22%           | 21%                      | 18%        | 17%        | 23%       | 20%         | 24%        | 18%         |
| Not at all interested | 88             | 44         | 6           | 38                    | 36         | 26                   | 2          | 44         | 42                     | 37                | 7                            | 6                | 28         | 73         | 15         | 5          | 7         | 19         | 4             | 5             | 10                       | 10         | 10         | 5         | 6           | 7          | 102         |
|                       | 8%             | 8%         | 5%          | 7%                    | 10%        | 9%                   | 1%         | 10%        | 8%                     | 11%               | 3%                           | 2%               | 13%        | 7%         | 15%        | 3%         | 7%        | 13%        | 4%            | 5%            | 11%                      | 10%        | 7%         | 9%        | 10%         | 7%         | 9%          |
| Don't know            | 3              | -          | *           | 3                     | 2          | -                    | 1          | *          | 2                      | -                 | 1                            | *                | 1          | 2          | 1          | *          | -         | 1          | -             | 1             | *                        | -          | *          | -         | *           | -          | 6           |
|                       | *              | -          | 1%          | 1%                    | 1%         | -                    | *          | *          | *                      | -                 | *                            | *                | 1%         | *          | 1%         | *          | -         | 1%         | -             | 1%            | 1%                       | -          | *          | -         | *           | -          | 1%          |
| <b>Interested</b>     | <b>876</b>     | <b>412</b> | <b>84</b>   | <b>380</b>            | <b>264</b> | <b>212</b>           | <b>234</b> | <b>306</b> | <b>374</b>             | <b>220</b>        | <b>175</b>                   | <b>257</b>       | <b>138</b> | <b>812</b> | <b>63</b>  | <b>144</b> | <b>82</b> | <b>108</b> | <b>90</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>58</b>                | <b>73</b>  | <b>101</b> | <b>34</b> | <b>40</b>   | <b>70</b>  | <b>838</b>  |
|                       | 76%            | 79%        | 76%         | 72%                   | 71%        | 74%                  | 93%        | 72%        | 72%                    | 69%               | 82%                          | 90%              | 63%        | 77%        | 63%        | 89%        | 75%       | 74%        | 87%           | 72%           | 68%                      | 72%        | 75%        | 68%       | 70%         | 69%        | 72%         |
| <b>Not interested</b> | <b>277</b>     | <b>107</b> | <b>25</b>   | <b>144</b>            | <b>106</b> | <b>75</b>            | <b>17</b>  | <b>116</b> | <b>146</b>             | <b>100</b>        | <b>37</b>                    | <b>29</b>        | <b>81</b>  | <b>240</b> | <b>36</b>  | <b>17</b>  | <b>28</b> | <b>38</b>  | <b>13</b>     | <b>28</b>     | <b>28</b>                | <b>28</b>  | <b>33</b>  | <b>16</b> | <b>17</b>   | <b>31</b>  | <b>312</b>  |
|                       | 24%            | 21%        | 23%         | 27%                   | 28%        | 26%                  | 7%         | 27%        | 28%                    | 31%               | 17%                          | 10%              | 37%        | 23%        | 36%        | 10%        | 25%       | 26%        | 13%           | 27%           | 32%                      | 28%        | 24%        | 32%       | 30%         | 31%        | 27%         |
| <b>Net interested</b> | <b>599</b>     | <b>305</b> | <b>58</b>   | <b>236</b>            | <b>159</b> | <b>137</b>           | <b>217</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>228</b>             | <b>120</b>        | <b>138</b>                   | <b>228</b>       | <b>57</b>  | <b>571</b> | <b>27</b>  | <b>128</b> | <b>54</b> | <b>70</b>  | <b>77</b>     | <b>47</b>     | <b>31</b>                | <b>45</b>  | <b>68</b>  | <b>18</b> | <b>23</b>   | <b>39</b>  | <b>526</b>  |
|                       | 52%            | 59%        | 53%         | 45%                   | 43%        | 48%                  | 86%        | 45%        | 44%                    | 37%               | 65%                          | 79%              | 26%        | 54%        | 27%        | 79%        | 50%       | 48%        | 75%           | 45%           | 36%                      | 44%        | 51%        | 36%       | 40%         | 38%        | 46%         |

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Table 49

### Q.9 How interested would you say you are in national issues?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Urbanity                 |                          |                          | Interest in politics     |                          | Likelihood to vote       |                          | Political activism      |                          | Opinion on present system |                          | Knew local MP            |                          | Unwtd total              |                          |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                       | Total                    | Urban                    | Rural                    | Mixed                    | Interested               | Not interested           | Certain to               | Certain not to          | Activist                 | Non-activist              | Works well               | Needs improvement        | Yes                      |                          | No                       |
| Unweighted total      | 1156                     | 773                      | 145                      | 238                      | 580                      | 569                      | 627                      | 143                     | 160                      | 996                       | 327                      | 783                      | 495                      | 661                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total        | 1156                     | 784                      | 136                      | 235                      | 611                      | 539                      | 619                      | 140                     | 180                      | 976                       | 322                      | 793                      | 511                      | 645                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b>               | <b>97</b>                | <b>170</b>               | <b>404</b>               | <b>394</b>               | <b>430</b>               | <b>96</b>               | <b>118</b>               | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b>               | <b>543</b>               | <b>339</b>               | <b>464</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Very interested       | 259<br>22%               | 179<br>23%               | 27<br>20%                | 53<br>22%                | 238<br>39%               | 21<br>4%                 | 197<br>32%               | 11<br>8%                | 99<br>55%                | 160<br>16%                | 66<br>21%                | 192<br>24%               | 148<br>29%               | 111<br>17%               | 226<br>20%               |
| Fairly interested     | 617<br>53%               | 406<br>52%               | 89<br>65%                | 122<br>52%               | 352<br>58%               | 264<br>49%               | 325<br>52%               | 66<br>48%               | 74<br>41%                | 543<br>56%                | 182<br>57%               | 418<br>53%               | 270<br>53%               | 347<br>54%               | 612<br>53%               |
| Not very interested   | 189<br>16%               | 129<br>16%               | 13<br>9%                 | 47<br>20%                | 17<br>3%                 | 171<br>32%               | 63<br>10%                | 36<br>26%               | 5<br>3%                  | 184<br>19%                | 56<br>17%                | 127<br>16%               | 62<br>12%                | 127<br>20%               | 210<br>18%               |
| Not at all interested | 88<br>8%                 | 68<br>9%                 | 7<br>5%                  | 13<br>6%                 | 3<br>*                   | 82<br>15%                | 32<br>5%                 | 26<br>19%               | 2<br>1%                  | 86<br>9%                  | 16<br>5%                 | 54<br>7%                 | 29<br>6%                 | 59<br>9%                 | 102<br>9%                |
| Don't know            | 3<br>*                   | 3<br>*                   | *<br>*                   | -<br>-                   | 1<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | *<br>*                  | -<br>-                   | 3<br>*                    | 1<br>*                   | 2<br>*                   | 2<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | 6<br>1%                  |
| <b>Interested</b>     | <b>876</b><br><b>76%</b> | <b>585</b><br><b>75%</b> | <b>116</b><br><b>85%</b> | <b>175</b><br><b>74%</b> | <b>590</b><br><b>97%</b> | <b>285</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>522</b><br><b>84%</b> | <b>77</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>173</b><br><b>96%</b> | <b>703</b><br><b>72%</b>  | <b>248</b><br><b>77%</b> | <b>610</b><br><b>77%</b> | <b>418</b><br><b>82%</b> | <b>457</b><br><b>71%</b> | <b>838</b><br><b>72%</b> |
| <b>Not interested</b> | <b>277</b><br><b>24%</b> | <b>197</b><br><b>25%</b> | <b>20</b><br><b>15%</b>  | <b>60</b><br><b>26%</b>  | <b>20</b><br><b>3%</b>   | <b>253</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>95</b><br><b>15%</b>  | <b>62</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>7</b><br><b>4%</b>    | <b>270</b><br><b>28%</b>  | <b>72</b><br><b>23%</b>  | <b>182</b><br><b>23%</b> | <b>90</b><br><b>18%</b>  | <b>187</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>312</b><br><b>27%</b> |
| <b>Net interested</b> | <b>599</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>388</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>96</b><br><b>71%</b>  | <b>115</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>570</b><br><b>93%</b> | <b>32</b><br><b>6%</b>   | <b>427</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>15</b><br><b>11%</b> | <b>166</b><br><b>93%</b> | <b>432</b><br><b>44%</b>  | <b>176</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>428</b><br><b>54%</b> | <b>328</b><br><b>64%</b> | <b>271</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>526</b><br><b>46%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 50

### Q.9 How interested would you say you are in national issues?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Quiz score               |                           |                          | Satisfaction with local MP |                          | Satisfaction with MPs in general |                          | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |                          | Use of internet          |                          | Unwtd total              |                          |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                       | Total                    | Scored 0-3                | Scored 4-6               | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                           | Agree                    | Disagree                 | Use internet             |                          | Do not use internet      |
| Unweighted total      | 1156                     | 210                       | 463                      | 483                        | 459                      | 183                              | 349                      | 502                                    | 438                      | 450                      | 762                      | 394                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total        | 1156                     | 187                       | 470                      | 499                        | 444                      | 190                              | 336                      | 515                                    | 427                      | 474                      | 826                      | 330                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>               | <b>150</b>                | <b>310</b>               | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b>               | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b>               | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b>               | <b>302</b>               | <b>540</b>               | <b>269</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Very interested       | 259<br>22%               | 12<br>6%                  | 79<br>17%                | 168<br>34%                 | 133<br>30%               | 50<br>26%                        | 92<br>27%                | 115<br>22%                             | 115<br>27%               | 95<br>20%                | 217<br>26%               | 42<br>13%                | 226<br>20%               |
| Fairly interested     | 617<br>53%               | 71<br>38%                 | 268<br>57%               | 278<br>56%                 | 225<br>51%               | 83<br>44%                        | 177<br>53%               | 278<br>54%                             | 236<br>55%               | 245<br>52%               | 434<br>53%               | 183<br>55%               | 612<br>53%               |
| Not very interested   | 189<br>16%               | 57<br>30%                 | 89<br>19%                | 43<br>9%                   | 56<br>13%                | 35<br>18%                        | 46<br>14%                | 77<br>15%                              | 51<br>12%                | 97<br>20%                | 119<br>14%               | 70<br>21%                | 210<br>18%               |
| Not at all interested | 88<br>8%                 | 47<br>25%                 | 32<br>7%                 | 9<br>2%                    | 27<br>6%                 | 22<br>12%                        | 19<br>6%                 | 43<br>8%                               | 24<br>6%                 | 36<br>8%                 | 56<br>7%                 | 32<br>10%                | 102<br>9%                |
| Don't know            | 3<br>*                   | 1<br>*                    | 1<br>*                   | 2<br>*                     | 3<br>1%                  | -<br>-                           | 2<br>1%                  | 1<br>*                                 | 2<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | 3<br>1%                  | 6<br>1%                  |
| <b>Interested</b>     | <b>876</b><br><b>76%</b> | <b>83</b><br><b>44%</b>   | <b>347</b><br><b>74%</b> | <b>446</b><br><b>89%</b>   | <b>357</b><br><b>81%</b> | <b>133</b><br><b>70%</b>         | <b>269</b><br><b>80%</b> | <b>394</b><br><b>77%</b>               | <b>350</b><br><b>82%</b> | <b>340</b><br><b>72%</b> | <b>651</b><br><b>79%</b> | <b>225</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>838</b><br><b>72%</b> |
| <b>Not interested</b> | <b>277</b><br><b>24%</b> | <b>104</b><br><b>55%</b>  | <b>122</b><br><b>26%</b> | <b>52</b><br><b>10%</b>    | <b>83</b><br><b>19%</b>  | <b>57</b><br><b>30%</b>          | <b>65</b><br><b>19%</b>  | <b>120</b><br><b>23%</b>               | <b>75</b><br><b>18%</b>  | <b>133</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>175</b><br><b>21%</b> | <b>102</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>312</b><br><b>27%</b> |
| <b>Net interested</b> | <b>599</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>-21</b><br><b>-11%</b> | <b>225</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>394</b><br><b>79%</b>   | <b>274</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>76</b><br><b>40%</b>          | <b>204</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>274</b><br><b>53%</b>               | <b>275</b><br><b>64%</b> | <b>207</b><br><b>44%</b> | <b>476</b><br><b>58%</b> | <b>123</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>526</b><br><b>46%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 51

### Q.9 How interested would you say you are in national issues?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Seat marginality         |                          |                          |                          | Segment                  |                          |                          |                          |                          |                         |                         |                          | Unwtd total               |                          |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
|                       | Less than 5% majority    | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%)  | Safe (>20%)              | Politically committed    | Active campaigners       | Interested bystanders    | Detached cynics          | Politically contented    | Bored/apathetic         | Disengaged/mistrustful  | Alienated/hostile        |                           |                          |
| Unweighted total      | 1156                     | 163                      | 351                      | 386                      | 419                      | 96                       | 142                      | 146                      | 228                      | 62                      | 93                      | 287                      | 102                       | 1156                     |
| Weighted total        | 1156                     | 175                      | 373                      | 396                      | 387                      | 116                      | 157                      | 159                      | 191                      | 66                      | 92                      | 277                      | 99                        | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>               | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>               | <b>263</b>               | <b>290</b>               | <b>72</b>                | <b>101</b>               | <b>92</b>                | <b>160</b>               | <b>49</b>               | <b>66</b>               | <b>209</b>               | <b>63</b>                 | <b>1156</b>              |
| Very interested       | 259<br>22%               | 52<br>30%                | 99<br>26%                | 103<br>26%               | 57<br>15%                | 69<br>59%                | 74<br>47%                | 37<br>23%                | 24<br>13%                | 6<br>9%                 | 10<br>11%               | 40<br>14%                | -<br>-                    | 226<br>20%               |
| Fairly interested     | 617<br>53%               | 88<br>50%                | 207<br>55%               | 191<br>48%               | 220<br>57%               | 45<br>39%                | 78<br>50%                | 117<br>73%               | 107<br>56%               | 46<br>69%               | 55<br>59%               | 146<br>53%               | 25<br>25%                 | 612<br>53%               |
| Not very interested   | 189<br>16%               | 27<br>15%                | 52<br>14%                | 61<br>15%                | 76<br>20%                | 2<br>2%                  | 4<br>3%                  | 6<br>4%                  | 34<br>18%                | 13<br>20%               | 15<br>17%               | 74<br>27%                | 40<br>41%                 | 210<br>18%               |
| Not at all interested | 88<br>8%                 | 8<br>4%                  | 14<br>4%                 | 41<br>10%                | 32<br>8%                 | -<br>-                   | 1<br>1%                  | -<br>-                   | 26<br>13%                | *<br>1%                 | 11<br>12%               | 17<br>6%                 | 32<br>33%                 | 102<br>9%                |
| Don't know            | 3<br>*                   | *<br>-                   | 1<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | -<br>-                   | -<br>-                   | -<br>-                   | -<br>-                   | 1<br>2%                 | *<br>*                  | 1<br>*                   | 1<br>1%                   | 6<br>1%                  |
| <b>Interested</b>     | <b>876</b><br><b>76%</b> | <b>140</b><br><b>80%</b> | <b>305</b><br><b>82%</b> | <b>293</b><br><b>74%</b> | <b>277</b><br><b>72%</b> | <b>113</b><br><b>98%</b> | <b>152</b><br><b>97%</b> | <b>153</b><br><b>96%</b> | <b>131</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>52</b><br><b>78%</b> | <b>65</b><br><b>71%</b> | <b>185</b><br><b>67%</b> | <b>25</b><br><b>25%</b>   | <b>838</b><br><b>72%</b> |
| <b>Not interested</b> | <b>277</b><br><b>24%</b> | <b>34</b><br><b>20%</b>  | <b>66</b><br><b>18%</b>  | <b>102</b><br><b>26%</b> | <b>109</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>2</b><br><b>2%</b>    | <b>5</b><br><b>3%</b>    | <b>6</b><br><b>4%</b>    | <b>60</b><br><b>31%</b>  | <b>13</b><br><b>20%</b> | <b>27</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>91</b><br><b>33%</b>  | <b>73</b><br><b>74%</b>   | <b>312</b><br><b>27%</b> |
| <b>Net interested</b> | <b>599</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>106</b><br><b>60%</b> | <b>239</b><br><b>64%</b> | <b>191</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>168</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>111</b><br><b>96%</b> | <b>146</b><br><b>94%</b> | <b>147</b><br><b>93%</b> | <b>71</b><br><b>37%</b>  | <b>38</b><br><b>58%</b> | <b>38</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>94</b><br><b>34%</b>  | <b>-48</b><br><b>-49%</b> | <b>526</b><br><b>46%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 52

**Q.7-9 How interested would you say you are in the following:**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Q.7 Politics             | Q.8 Local issues         | Q.9 National issues      |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Unweighted total      | 1156                     | 1156                     | 1156                     |
| Weighted total        | 1156                     | 1156                     | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>               | <b>801</b>               | <b>801</b>               |
| Very interested       | 158<br>14%               | 218<br>19%               | 259<br>22%               |
| Fairly interested     | 453<br>39%               | 679<br>59%               | 617<br>53%               |
| Not very interested   | 336<br>29%               | 193<br>17%               | 189<br>16%               |
| Not at all interested | 203<br>18%               | 64<br>6%                 | 88<br>8%                 |
| Don't know            | 6<br>1%                  | 2<br>*                   | 3<br>*                   |
| <b>Interested</b>     | <b>611</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>897</b><br><b>78%</b> | <b>876</b><br><b>76%</b> |
| <b>Not interested</b> | <b>539</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>257</b><br><b>22%</b> | <b>277</b><br><b>24%</b> |
| <b>Net interested</b> | <b>72</b><br><b>6%</b>   | <b>640</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>599</b><br><b>52%</b> |

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Table 53

### Q.10 Which of these statements best describes your opinion on the present system of governing Britain?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Gender                   |                          | Age                      |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          |                         |                         |                          |                          | Social class             |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          | Region                   |                          |                          | Marital status           |                          |                          | Unwtd total              |                                |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
|   | Total                    | Male                     | Female                   | 18-24                    | 25-34                    | 35-44                    | 45-54                    | 55-64                    | 65-74                   | 75+                     | 18-34                    | 35-54                    | 55+                      | AB                       | C1                       | C2                       | DE                       | ABC1                     | C2DE                     | North                    | South                    | Mid lands                | Single                   | Married /Co-hab iting    |                          | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |
| Unweighted total                                      | 1156                     | 552                      | 604                      | 138                      | 207                      | 206                      | 141                      | 170                      | 159                     | 135                     | 345                      | 347                      | 464                      | 224                      | 353                      | 257                      | 322                      | 577                      | 579                      | 438                      | 339                      | 379                      | 290                      | 669                      | 197                      | 1156                           |
| Weighted total  | 1156                     | 561                      | 595                      | 173                      | 183                      | 216                      | 186                      | 169                      | 117                     | 111                     | 356                      | 402                      | 398                      | 310                      | 333                      | 241                      | 272                      | 642                      | 514                      | 387                      | 411                      | 358                      | 306                      | 681                      | 169                      | 1156                           |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                                 | <b>801</b>               | <b>391</b>               | <b>410</b>               | <b>98</b>                | <b>145</b>               | <b>149</b>               | <b>105</b>               | <b>117</b>               | <b>135</b>              | <b>87</b>               | <b>236</b>               | <b>252</b>               | <b>323</b>               | <b>161</b>               | <b>256</b>               | <b>191</b>               | <b>222</b>               | <b>401</b>               | <b>413</b>               | <b>312</b>               | <b>250</b>               | <b>251</b>               | <b>203</b>               | <b>463</b>               | <b>139</b>               | <b>1156</b>                    |
| Works extremely well and could not be improved        | 11<br>1%                 | 5<br>1%                  | 5<br>1%                  | 4<br>2%                  | 3<br>2%                  | 1<br>1%                  | -<br>-                   | 2<br>1%                  | 1<br>*                  | 1<br>1%                 | 7<br>2%                  | 1<br>*                   | 3<br>1%                  | 1<br>*                   | 4<br>1%                  | 2<br>1%                  | 4<br>1%                  | 4<br>1%                  | 6<br>1%                  | 3<br>1%                  | 5<br>1%                  | 3<br>1%                  | 7<br>2%                  | 3<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | 12<br>1%                       |
| Could be improved in small ways but mainly works well | 311<br>27%               | 173<br>31%               | 138<br>23%               | 59<br>34%                | 49<br>27%                | 58<br>27%                | 44<br>24%                | 42<br>25%                | 23<br>20%               | 34<br>31%               | 108<br>30%               | 103<br>26%               | 100<br>25%               | 82<br>27%                | 105<br>31%               | 59<br>24%                | 65<br>24%                | 187<br>29%               | 124<br>24%               | 112<br>29%               | 105<br>26%               | 93<br>26%                | 90<br>29%                | 172<br>25%               | 49<br>29%                | 315<br>27%                     |
| Could be improved quite a lot                         | 482<br>42%               | 223<br>40%               | 259<br>43%               | 64<br>37%                | 82<br>45%                | 91<br>42%                | 91<br>49%                | 62<br>37%                | 52<br>44%               | 39<br>35%               | 146<br>41%               | 183<br>46%               | 153<br>38%               | 143<br>46%               | 123<br>37%               | 107<br>44%               | 108<br>40%               | 267<br>42%               | 215<br>42%               | 163<br>42%               | 175<br>43%               | 144<br>40%               | 123<br>40%               | 288<br>42%               | 72<br>42%                | 469<br>41%                     |
| Needs a great deal of improvement                     | 312<br>27%               | 143<br>26%               | 168<br>28%               | 37<br>21%                | 36<br>19%                | 59<br>27%                | 49<br>26%                | 60<br>35%                | 32<br>34%               | 72<br>29%               | 108<br>20%               | 132<br>27%               | 132<br>33%               | 82<br>26%                | 90<br>27%                | 63<br>26%                | 76<br>28%                | 172<br>27%               | 140<br>27%               | 96<br>25%                | 104<br>25%               | 111<br>31%               | 68<br>22%                | 201<br>30%               | 43<br>25%                | 314<br>27%                     |
| Don't know  | 41<br>4%                 | 16<br>3%                 | 25<br>4%                 | 9<br>5%                  | 14<br>8%                 | 6<br>3%                  | 1<br>1%                  | 3<br>2%                  | 2<br>2%                 | 6<br>5%                 | 23<br>7%                 | 7<br>2%                  | 11<br>3%                 | 1<br>*                   | 11<br>3%                 | 9<br>4%                  | 20<br>7%                 | 12<br>2%                 | 29<br>6%                 | 13<br>3%                 | 21<br>5%                 | 7<br>2%                  | 18<br>6%                 | 17<br>3%                 | 6<br>3%                  | 46<br>4%                       |
| <b>Works well</b>                                     | <b>322</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>178</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>143</b><br><b>24%</b> | <b>63</b><br><b>36%</b>  | <b>52</b><br><b>28%</b>  | <b>60</b><br><b>28%</b>  | <b>44</b><br><b>24%</b>  | <b>44</b><br><b>26%</b>  | <b>24</b><br><b>21%</b> | <b>35</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>115</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>104</b><br><b>26%</b> | <b>102</b><br><b>26%</b> | <b>83</b><br><b>27%</b>  | <b>109</b><br><b>33%</b> | <b>61</b><br><b>25%</b>  | <b>69</b><br><b>25%</b>  | <b>192</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>130</b><br><b>25%</b> | <b>115</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>110</b><br><b>27%</b> | <b>96</b><br><b>27%</b>  | <b>97</b><br><b>32%</b>  | <b>175</b><br><b>26%</b> | <b>49</b><br><b>29%</b>  | <b>327</b><br><b>28%</b>       |
| <b>Needs improvement</b>                              | <b>793</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>367</b><br><b>65%</b> | <b>427</b><br><b>72%</b> | <b>101</b><br><b>58%</b> | <b>117</b><br><b>64%</b> | <b>150</b><br><b>70%</b> | <b>140</b><br><b>75%</b> | <b>122</b><br><b>72%</b> | <b>91</b><br><b>78%</b> | <b>71</b><br><b>64%</b> | <b>218</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>290</b><br><b>72%</b> | <b>285</b><br><b>72%</b> | <b>225</b><br><b>73%</b> | <b>213</b><br><b>64%</b> | <b>171</b><br><b>71%</b> | <b>184</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>438</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>355</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>259</b><br><b>67%</b> | <b>279</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>255</b><br><b>71%</b> | <b>191</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>489</b><br><b>72%</b> | <b>114</b><br><b>67%</b> | <b>783</b><br><b>68%</b>       |

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Table 54

### Q.10 Which of these statements best describes your opinion on the present system of governing Britain?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity  |            | GO Region  |            |            |            |               |               |                          |            |            |            | Unwtd total |            |             |
|---|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|   | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME        | South East | Eastern    | London     | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales      |             | Scotland   |             |
| Unweighted total                                      | 1156           | 425        | 109         | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548                    | 318               | 183                          | 258              | 274        | 1007       | 146        | 116        | 102        | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68         | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total  | 1156           | 520        | 109         | 527                   | 372        | 287                  | 253        | 423        | 522                    | 320               | 213                          | 287              | 219        | 1054       | 100        | 162        | 110        | 147        | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101        | 134        | 51         | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                                 | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b> | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b>             | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b> | <b>703</b> | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b>  | <b>72</b>  | <b>86</b>  | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b>  | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| Works extremely well and could not be improved        | 11             | 2          | 1           | 8                     | 3          | 3                    | 1          | 7          | 3                      | 3                 | *                            | 2                | 4          | 8          | 3          | 3          | 1          | 2          | -             | *             | 1                        | -          | 2          | -          | 1           | 1          | 12          |
| 1%  | *              | 1%         | 1%          | 1%                    | 1%         | *                    | 2%         | 1%         | 1%                     | *                 | 1%                           | 2%               | 1%         | 3%         | 3%         | 2%         | 1%         | 2%         | -             | *             | 1%                       | -          | 2%         | -          | 1%          | 1%         | 1%          |
| Could be improved in small ways but mainly works well | 311            | 130        | 32          | 149                   | 89         | 80                   | 77         | 101        | 138                    | 66                | 72                           | 93               | 53         | 271        | 39         | 38         | 28         | 42         | 25            | 22            | 33                       | 26         | 43         | 12         | 9           | 32         | 315         |
| 27%   | 25%            | 29%        | 28%         | 24%                   | 28%        | 30%                  | 24%        | 26%        | 21%                    | 34%               | 33%                          | 24%              | 26%        | 39%        | 24%        | 26%        | 29%        | 25%        | 22%           | 38%           | 26%                      | 32%        | 23%        | 16%        | 31%         | 27%        |             |
| Could be improved quite a lot                         | 482            | 229        | 55          | 199                   | 176        | 112                  | 123        | 180        | 206                    | 139               | 93                           | 131              | 71         | 441        | 40         | 77         | 41         | 55         | 43            | 43            | 37                       | 42         | 50         | 29         | 23          | 42         | 469         |
| 42%   | 44%            | 50%        | 38%         | 47%                   | 39%        | 49%                  | 43%        | 40%        | 44%                    | 44%               | 46%                          | 32%              | 42%        | 40%        | 48%        | 38%        | 38%        | 42%        | 41%           | 43%           | 42%                      | 37%        | 57%        | 39%        | 41%         | 41%        |             |
| Needs a great deal of improvement                     | 312            | 143        | 20          | 149                   | 92         | 72                   | 49         | 118        | 153                    | 100               | 44                           | 58               | 75         | 300        | 11         | 42         | 39         | 28         | 34            | 37            | 12                       | 30         | 34         | 9          | 24          | 24         | 314         |
| 27%   | 27%            | 18%        | 28%         | 25%                   | 25%        | 19%                  | 28%        | 29%        | 31%                    | 20%               | 20%                          | 34%              | 28%        | 11%        | 26%        | 35%        | 19%        | 33%        | 36%           | 13%           | 29%                      | 25%        | 18%        | 41%        | 23%         | 27%        |             |
| Don't know  | 41             | 17         | 1           | 23                    | 12         | 20                   | 3          | 16         | 21                     | 11                | 5                            | 3                | 16         | 34         | 7          | 2          | *          | 19         | 1             | 1             | 4                        | 3          | 6          | 1          | 2           | 3          | 46          |
| 4%  | 3%             | 1%         | 4%          | 3%                    | 7%         | 1%                   | 4%         | 4%         | 3%                     | 2%                | 1%                           | 7%               | 3%         | 7%         | 1%         | *          | 13%        | 1%         | 1%            | 5%            | 3%                       | 4%         | 2%         | 3%         | 3%          | 4%         |             |
| <b>Works well</b>                                     | <b>322</b>     | <b>132</b> | <b>33</b>   | <b>156</b>            | <b>92</b>  | <b>83</b>            | <b>78</b>  | <b>108</b> | <b>141</b>             | <b>69</b>         | <b>72</b>                    | <b>95</b>        | <b>57</b>  | <b>279</b> | <b>42</b>  | <b>41</b>  | <b>30</b>  | <b>44</b>  | <b>25</b>     | <b>23</b>     | <b>34</b>                | <b>26</b>  | <b>45</b>  | <b>12</b>  | <b>10</b>   | <b>33</b>  | <b>327</b>  |
| <b>28%</b>  | <b>25%</b>     | <b>31%</b> | <b>30%</b>  | <b>25%</b>            | <b>29%</b> | <b>31%</b>           | <b>26%</b> | <b>27%</b> | <b>22%</b>             | <b>34%</b>        | <b>33%</b>                   | <b>26%</b>       | <b>26%</b> | <b>42%</b> | <b>25%</b> | <b>27%</b> | <b>30%</b> | <b>25%</b> | <b>22%</b>    | <b>39%</b>    | <b>26%</b>               | <b>33%</b> | <b>23%</b> | <b>17%</b> | <b>32%</b>  | <b>28%</b> |             |
| <b>Needs improvement</b>                              | <b>793</b>     | <b>371</b> | <b>75</b>   | <b>347</b>            | <b>268</b> | <b>184</b>           | <b>172</b> | <b>298</b> | <b>359</b>             | <b>240</b>        | <b>137</b>                   | <b>188</b>       | <b>146</b> | <b>742</b> | <b>51</b>  | <b>119</b> | <b>80</b>  | <b>83</b>  | <b>77</b>     | <b>80</b>     | <b>49</b>                | <b>72</b>  | <b>84</b>  | <b>38</b>  | <b>46</b>   | <b>65</b>  | <b>783</b>  |
| <b>69%</b>  | <b>71%</b>     | <b>68%</b> | <b>66%</b>  | <b>72%</b>            | <b>64%</b> | <b>68%</b>           | <b>71%</b> | <b>69%</b> | <b>75%</b>             | <b>64%</b>        | <b>66%</b>                   | <b>67%</b>       | <b>70%</b> | <b>51%</b> | <b>74%</b> | <b>73%</b> | <b>57%</b> | <b>75%</b> | <b>77%</b>    | <b>56%</b>    | <b>71%</b>               | <b>62%</b> | <b>75%</b> | <b>80%</b> | <b>64%</b>  | <b>68%</b> |             |

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Table 55

### Q.10 Which of these statements best describes your opinion on the present system of governing Britain?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Total                    | Urbanity                 |                          |                          | Interest in politics     |                          | Likelihood to vote       |                          | Political activism       |                          | Opinion on present system |                           | Knew local MP            |                          | Unwtd total              |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|   |                          | Urban                    | Rural                    | Mixed                    | Interested               | Not interested           | Certain to               | Certain not to           | Activist                 | Non-activist             | Works well                | Needs improvement         | Yes                      | No                       |                          |
| Unweighted total                                      | 1156                     | 773                      | 145                      | 238                      | 580                      | 569                      | 627                      | 143                      | 160                      | 996                      | 327                       | 783                       | 495                      | 661                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total  | 1156                     | 784                      | 136                      | 235                      | 611                      | 539                      | 619                      | 140                      | 180                      | 976                      | 322                       | 793                       | 511                      | 645                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                                 | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b>               | <b>97</b>                | <b>170</b>               | <b>404</b>               | <b>394</b>               | <b>430</b>               | <b>96</b>                | <b>118</b>               | <b>684</b>               | <b>232</b>                | <b>543</b>                | <b>339</b>               | <b>464</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Works extremely well and could not be improved        | 11<br>1%                 | 7<br>1%                  | 2<br>1%                  | 2<br>1%                  | 3<br>1%                  | 7<br>1%                  | 4<br>1%                  | 2<br>1%                  | -<br>-                   | 11<br>1%                 | 11<br>3%                  | -<br>-                    | 3<br>1%                  | 7<br>1%                  | 12<br>1%                 |
| Could be improved in small ways but mainly works well | 311<br>27%               | 229<br>29%               | 28<br>21%                | 53<br>23%                | 182<br>30%               | 127<br>24%               | 169<br>27%               | 24<br>17%                | 52<br>29%                | 259<br>27%               | 311<br>97%                | -<br>-                    | 141<br>28%               | 169<br>26%               | 315<br>27%               |
| Could be improved quite a lot                         | 482<br>42%               | 332<br>42%               | 49<br>36%                | 100<br>43%               | 262<br>43%               | 219<br>41%               | 261<br>42%               | 57<br>41%                | 70<br>39%                | 412<br>42%               | -<br>-                    | 482<br>61%                | 207<br>41%               | 274<br>43%               | 469<br>41%               |
| Needs a great deal of improvement                     | 312<br>27%               | 178<br>23%               | 55<br>41%                | 79<br>33%                | 153<br>25%               | 155<br>29%               | 170<br>28%               | 48<br>34%                | 58<br>32%                | 254<br>26%               | -<br>-                    | 312<br>39%                | 144<br>28%               | 167<br>26%               | 314<br>27%               |
| Don't know  | 41<br>4%                 | 38<br>5%                 | 2<br>1%                  | 1<br>1%                  | 10<br>2%                 | 31<br>6%                 | 15<br>2%                 | 9<br>7%                  | -<br>-                   | 41<br>4%                 | -<br>-                    | -<br>-                    | 15<br>3%                 | 26<br>4%                 | 46<br>4%                 |
| <b>Works well</b>                                     | <b>322</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>236</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>30</b><br><b>22%</b>  | <b>55</b><br><b>24%</b>  | <b>186</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>134</b><br><b>25%</b> | <b>173</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>25</b><br><b>18%</b>  | <b>52</b><br><b>29%</b>  | <b>270</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>322</b><br><b>100%</b> | <b>-</b><br><b>-</b>      | <b>145</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>177</b><br><b>27%</b> | <b>327</b><br><b>28%</b> |
| <b>Needs improvement</b>                              | <b>793</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>510</b><br><b>65%</b> | <b>105</b><br><b>77%</b> | <b>179</b><br><b>76%</b> | <b>415</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>374</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>431</b><br><b>70%</b> | <b>105</b><br><b>75%</b> | <b>128</b><br><b>71%</b> | <b>665</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>-</b><br><b>-</b>      | <b>793</b><br><b>100%</b> | <b>352</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>442</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>783</b><br><b>68%</b> |

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Table 56

### Q.10 Which of these statements best describes your opinion on the present system of governing Britain?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Total                    | Quiz score               |                          |                          | Satisfaction with local MP |                          | Satisfaction with MPs in general |                          | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |                          | Use of internet          |                          | Unwtd total              |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|   |                          | Scored 0-3               | Scored 4-6               | Scored 7-9               | Satisfied                  | Dissatisfied             | Satisfied                        | Dissatisfied             | Agree                                  | Disagree                 | Use internet             | Do not use internet      |                          |
| Unweighted total                                      | 1156                     | 210                      | 463                      | 483                      | 459                        | 183                      | 349                              | 502                      | 438                                    | 450                      | 762                      | 394                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total  | 1156                     | 187                      | 470                      | 499                      | 444                        | 190                      | 336                              | 515                      | 427                                    | 474                      | 826                      | 330                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                                 | <b>801</b>               | <b>150</b>               | <b>310</b>               | <b>345</b>               | <b>324</b>                 | <b>135</b>               | <b>264</b>                       | <b>330</b>               | <b>327</b>                             | <b>302</b>               | <b>540</b>               | <b>269</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Works extremely well and could not be improved        | 11<br>1%                 | 5<br>2%                  | 4<br>1%                  | 2<br>*                   | 6<br>1%                    | -                        | 6<br>2%                          | 1<br>*                   | 4<br>1%                                | 3<br>1%                  | 6<br>1%                  | 4<br>1%                  | 12<br>1%                 |
| Could be improved in small ways but mainly works well | 311<br>27%               | 52<br>28%                | 121<br>26%               | 137<br>27%               | 153<br>34%                 | 24<br>13%                | 144<br>43%                       | 79<br>15%                | 143<br>33%                             | 87<br>18%                | 226<br>27%               | 85<br>26%                | 315<br>27%               |
| Could be improved quite a lot                         | 482<br>42%               | 65<br>34%                | 191<br>41%               | 227<br>45%               | 182<br>41%                 | 77<br>41%                | 131<br>39%                       | 210<br>41%               | 170<br>40%                             | 209<br>44%               | 358<br>43%               | 124<br>38%               | 469<br>41%               |
| Needs a great deal of improvement                     | 312<br>27%               | 41<br>22%                | 140<br>30%               | 131<br>26%               | 94<br>21%                  | 82<br>43%                | 48<br>14%                        | 217<br>42%               | 104<br>24%                             | 166<br>35%               | 213<br>26%               | 98<br>30%                | 314<br>27%               |
| Don't know  | 41<br>4%                 | 25<br>13%                | 14<br>3%                 | 3<br>1%                  | 9<br>2%                    | 6<br>3%                  | 7<br>2%                          | 8<br>2%                  | 7<br>2%                                | 10<br>2%                 | 23<br>3%                 | 18<br>6%                 | 46<br>4%                 |
| <b>Works well</b>                                     | <b>322</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>57</b><br><b>30%</b>  | <b>125</b><br><b>27%</b> | <b>139</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>159</b><br><b>36%</b>   | <b>24</b><br><b>13%</b>  | <b>150</b><br><b>45%</b>         | <b>79</b><br><b>15%</b>  | <b>147</b><br><b>34%</b>               | <b>90</b><br><b>19%</b>  | <b>233</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>89</b><br><b>27%</b>  | <b>327</b><br><b>28%</b> |
| <b>Needs improvement</b>                              | <b>793</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>106</b><br><b>56%</b> | <b>330</b><br><b>70%</b> | <b>357</b><br><b>72%</b> | <b>276</b><br><b>62%</b>   | <b>159</b><br><b>84%</b> | <b>179</b><br><b>53%</b>         | <b>427</b><br><b>83%</b> | <b>274</b><br><b>64%</b>               | <b>375</b><br><b>79%</b> | <b>571</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>222</b><br><b>67%</b> | <b>783</b><br><b>68%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 57

### Q.10 Which of these statements best describes your opinion on the present system of governing Britain?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Seat marginality         |                          |                          |                          | Segment                  |                         |                          |                          |                          |                         |                         |                          | Unwtd total             |                          |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
|   | Total                    | Less than 5% majority    | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%)  | Safe (>20%)              | Politically committed   | Active campaigners       | Interested bystanders    | Detached cynics          | Politically contented   | Bored/apathetic         | Disengaged/mistrustful   |                         | Alienated/hostile        |
| Unweighted total                                      | 1156                     | 163                      | 351                      | 386                      | 419                      | 96                      | 142                      | 146                      | 228                      | 62                      | 93                      | 287                      | 102                     | 1156                     |
| Weighted total  | 1156                     | 175                      | 373                      | 396                      | 387                      | 116                     | 157                      | 159                      | 191                      | 66                      | 92                      | 277                      | 99                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                                 | <b>801</b>               | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>               | <b>263</b>               | <b>290</b>               | <b>72</b>               | <b>101</b>               | <b>92</b>                | <b>160</b>               | <b>49</b>               | <b>66</b>               | <b>209</b>               | <b>63</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Works extremely well and could not be improved        | 11<br>1%                 | 3<br>2%                  | 4<br>1%                  | 3<br>1%                  | 3<br>1%                  | 1<br>*                  | -                        | -                        | 1<br>*                   | -                       | 2<br>2%                 | 6<br>2%                  | 2<br>2%                 | 12<br>1%                 |
| Could be improved in small ways but mainly works well | 311<br>27%               | 57<br>33%                | 109<br>29%               | 100<br>25%               | 102<br>26%               | 21<br>18%               | 53<br>34%                | 34<br>21%                | 50<br>26%                | 30<br>46%               | 34<br>37%               | 75<br>27%                | 13<br>13%               | 315<br>27%               |
| Could be improved quite a lot                         | 482<br>42%               | 65<br>37%                | 160<br>43%               | 171<br>43%               | 151<br>39%               | 51<br>44%               | 74<br>47%                | 69<br>43%                | 85<br>45%                | 28<br>42%               | 37<br>40%               | 118<br>43%               | 20<br>21%               | 469<br>41%               |
| Needs a great deal of improvement                     | 312<br>27%               | 44<br>25%                | 93<br>25%                | 106<br>27%               | 113<br>29%               | 43<br>37%               | 30<br>19%                | 53<br>33%                | 40<br>21%                | 8<br>12%                | 18<br>19%               | 66<br>24%                | 55<br>56%               | 314<br>27%               |
| Don't know  | 41<br>4%                 | 6<br>3%                  | 7<br>2%                  | 17<br>4%                 | 18<br>5%                 | -                       | -                        | 3<br>2%                  | 15<br>8%                 | -                       | 2<br>3%                 | 12<br>4%                 | 9<br>9%                 | 46<br>4%                 |
| <b>Works well</b>                                     | <b>322</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>60</b><br><b>34%</b>  | <b>113</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>103</b><br><b>26%</b> | <b>105</b><br><b>27%</b> | <b>22</b><br><b>19%</b> | <b>53</b><br><b>34%</b>  | <b>34</b><br><b>21%</b>  | <b>51</b><br><b>27%</b>  | <b>30</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>35</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>82</b><br><b>30%</b>  | <b>14</b><br><b>15%</b> | <b>327</b><br><b>28%</b> |
| <b>Needs improvement</b>                              | <b>793</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>109</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>253</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>277</b><br><b>70%</b> | <b>264</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>94</b><br><b>81%</b> | <b>103</b><br><b>66%</b> | <b>122</b><br><b>77%</b> | <b>125</b><br><b>66%</b> | <b>36</b><br><b>54%</b> | <b>54</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>183</b><br><b>66%</b> | <b>75</b><br><b>76%</b> | <b>783</b><br><b>68%</b> |

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Table 58

### Q.11a How much, if anything, do you feel you know about politics?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     | Gender                   |                          | Age                      |                          |                          |                          |                          |                         |                         |                         |                          |                          | Social class             |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          | Region                   |                          |                          | Marital status           |                          |                                | Unwtd total             |                          |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                     | Male                     | Female                   | 18-24                    | 25-34                    | 35-44                    | 45-54                    | 55-64                    | 65-74                   | 75+                     | 18-34                   | 35-54                    | 55+                      | AB                       | C1                       | C2                       | DE                       | ABC1                     | C2DE                     | North                    | South                    | Mid lands                | Single                   | Married /Co-hab iting    | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |                         |                          |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156                     | 552                      | 604                      | 138                      | 207                      | 206                      | 141                      | 170                     | 159                     | 135                     | 345                      | 347                      | 464                      | 224                      | 353                      | 257                      | 322                      | 577                      | 579                      | 438                      | 339                      | 379                      | 290                      | 669                            | 197                     | 1156                     |
| Weighted total                      | 1156                     | 561                      | 595                      | 173                      | 183                      | 216                      | 186                      | 169                     | 117                     | 111                     | 356                      | 402                      | 398                      | 310                      | 333                      | 241                      | 272                      | 642                      | 514                      | 387                      | 411                      | 358                      | 306                      | 681                            | 169                     | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>801</b>               | <b>391</b>               | <b>410</b>               | <b>98</b>                | <b>145</b>               | <b>149</b>               | <b>105</b>               | <b>117</b>              | <b>135</b>              | <b>87</b>               | <b>236</b>               | <b>252</b>               | <b>323</b>               | <b>161</b>               | <b>256</b>               | <b>191</b>               | <b>222</b>               | <b>401</b>               | <b>413</b>               | <b>312</b>               | <b>250</b>               | <b>251</b>               | <b>203</b>               | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>              | <b>1156</b>              |
| A great deal                        | 66<br>6%                 | 45<br>8%                 | 21<br>4%                 | 4<br>2%                  | 6<br>3%                  | 13<br>6%                 | 16<br>9%                 | 15<br>9%                | 6<br>5%                 | 7<br>7%                 | 10<br>3%                 | 29<br>7%                 | 28<br>7%                 | 26<br>8%                 | 21<br>6%                 | 8<br>3%                  | 11<br>4%                 | 47<br>7%                 | 20<br>4%                 | 17<br>4%                 | 33<br>8%                 | 17<br>5%                 | 6<br>2%                  | 49<br>7%                       | 12<br>7%                | 58<br>5%                 |
| A fair amount                       | 524<br>45%               | 286<br>51%               | 238<br>40%               | 56<br>33%                | 75<br>41%                | 91<br>42%                | 94<br>51%                | 83<br>49%               | 71<br>60%               | 54<br>49%               | 131<br>37%               | 185<br>46%               | 208<br>52%               | 190<br>61%               | 161<br>48%               | 87<br>36%                | 86<br>32%                | 351<br>55%               | 173<br>34%               | 154<br>40%               | 214<br>52%               | 156<br>44%               | 139<br>45%               | 308<br>45%                     | 78<br>46%               | 504<br>44%               |
| Not very much                       | 458<br>40%               | 187<br>33%               | 271<br>46%               | 75<br>43%                | 78<br>42%                | 91<br>42%                | 70<br>38%                | 68<br>40%               | 39<br>33%               | 38<br>34%               | 153<br>43%               | 161<br>40%               | 144<br>36%               | 83<br>27%                | 127<br>38%               | 123<br>51%               | 125<br>46%               | 210<br>33%               | 248<br>48%               | 175<br>45%               | 135<br>33%               | 149<br>42%               | 110<br>36%               | 281<br>41%                     | 67<br>40%               | 469<br>41%               |
| Nothing at all                      | 102<br>9%                | 42<br>7%                 | 60<br>10%                | 37<br>21%                | 24<br>13%                | 19<br>9%                 | 6<br>3%                  | 4<br>2%                 | 2<br>2%                 | 11<br>10%               | 61<br>17%                | 24<br>6%                 | 17<br>4%                 | 11<br>3%                 | 22<br>7%                 | 22<br>9%                 | 48<br>18%                | 32<br>5%                 | 70<br>14%                | 39<br>10%                | 27<br>7%                 | 36<br>10%                | 50<br>16%                | 39<br>6%                       | 12<br>7%                | 117<br>10%               |
| Don't know                          | 5<br>*                   | 2<br>*                   | 4<br>1%                  | *<br>*                   | 2<br>1%                  | 2<br>1%                  | -<br>-                   | *<br>*                  | -<br>-                  | 1<br>1%                 | 2<br>1%                  | 2<br>1%                  | 1<br>*                   | -<br>-                   | 2<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | 2<br>1%                  | 4<br>*                   | 4<br>1%                  | 3<br>1%                  | 2<br>1%                  | *<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | 4<br>1%                        | 1<br>*                  | 8<br>1%                  |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>591</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>331</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>260</b><br><b>44%</b> | <b>60</b><br><b>35%</b>  | <b>80</b><br><b>44%</b>  | <b>104</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>110</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>97</b><br><b>57%</b> | <b>76</b><br><b>65%</b> | <b>62</b><br><b>56%</b> | <b>141</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>214</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>236</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>216</b><br><b>70%</b> | <b>182</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>95</b><br><b>40%</b>  | <b>97</b><br><b>36%</b>  | <b>398</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>192</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>171</b><br><b>44%</b> | <b>247</b><br><b>60%</b> | <b>173</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>144</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>357</b><br><b>52%</b>       | <b>89</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>562</b><br><b>49%</b> |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>560</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>229</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>331</b><br><b>56%</b> | <b>112</b><br><b>65%</b> | <b>102</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>110</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>75</b><br><b>41%</b>  | <b>72</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>41</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>49</b><br><b>44%</b> | <b>214</b><br><b>60%</b> | <b>185</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>161</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>93</b><br><b>30%</b>  | <b>149</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>145</b><br><b>60%</b> | <b>173</b><br><b>63%</b> | <b>242</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>318</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>214</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>162</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>184</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>161</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>320</b><br><b>47%</b>       | <b>79</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>586</b><br><b>51%</b> |

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Table 59

### Q.11a How much, if anything, do you feel you know about politics?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                              | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity  |            | GO Region  |           |           |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           | Unwtd total |            |             |
|------------------------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|                              | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME        | South East | Eastern   | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland   |             |
| Unweighted total             | 1156           | 425        | 109         | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548                    | 318               | 183                          | 258              | 274        | 1007       | 146        | 116       | 102       | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68        | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total               | 1156           | 520        | 109         | 527                   | 372        | 287                  | 253        | 423        | 522                    | 320               | 213                          | 287              | 219        | 1054       | 100        | 162       | 110       | 147        | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101        | 134        | 51        | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>        | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b> | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b>             | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b> | <b>703</b> | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b> | <b>72</b> | <b>86</b>  | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b> | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| A great deal                 | 66             | 37         | 4           | 26                    | 12         | 9                    | 34         | 18         | 22                     | 9                 | 10                           | 37               | 4          | 65         | 2          | 19        | 7         | 11         | 2             | 5             | 1                        | 5          | 2          | 4         | 4           | 7          | 58          |
|                              | 6%             | 7%         | 3%          | 5%                    | 3%         | 3%                   | 13%        | 4%         | 4%                     | 3%                | 5%                           | 13%              | 2%         | 6%         | 2%         | 12%       | 6%        | 8%         | 2%            | 5%            | 1%                       | 5%         | 1%         | 7%        | 7%          | 7%         | 5%          |
| A fair amount                | 524            | 245        | 44          | 236                   | 154        | 120                  | 167        | 177        | 206                    | 109               | 94                           | 175              | 78         | 483        | 40         | 92        | 56        | 70         | 52            | 47            | 34                       | 38         | 60         | 19        | 19          | 36         | 504         |
|                              | 45%            | 47%        | 40%         | 45%                   | 41%        | 42%                  | 66%        | 42%        | 39%                    | 34%               | 44%                          | 61%              | 36%        | 46%        | 40%        | 57%       | 51%       | 47%        | 51%           | 45%           | 39%                      | 38%        | 45%        | 38%       | 33%         | 35%        | 44%         |
| Not very much                | 458            | 203        | 49          | 207                   | 159        | 124                  | 45         | 187        | 232                    | 152               | 97                           | 66               | 103        | 416        | 43         | 47        | 32        | 48         | 39            | 46            | 43                       | 44         | 56         | 24        | 28          | 50         | 469         |
|                              | 40%            | 39%        | 45%         | 39%                   | 43%        | 43%                  | 18%        | 44%        | 44%                    | 48%               | 45%                          | 23%              | 47%        | 39%        | 43%        | 29%       | 29%       | 33%        | 38%           | 44%           | 49%                      | 44%        | 42%        | 48%       | 48%         | 49%        | 41%         |
| Nothing at all               | 102            | 33         | 13          | 56                    | 44         | 34                   | 7          | 38         | 59                     | 49                | 12                           | 8                | 31         | 86         | 15         | 3         | 14        | 16         | 9             | 7             | 9                        | 13         | 16         | 4         | 6           | 6          | 117         |
|                              | 9%             | 6%         | 12%         | 11%                   | 12%        | 12%                  | 3%         | 9%         | 11%                    | 15%               | 6%                           | 3%               | 14%        | 8%         | 15%        | 2%        | 13%       | 11%        | 8%            | 6%            | 10%                      | 13%        | 12%        | 7%        | 11%         | 6%         | 10%         |
| Don't know                   | 5              | 3          | *           | 2                     | 3          | -                    | -          | 3          | 2                      | 1                 | *                            | -                | 3          | 4          | 1          | -         | -         | 2          | -             | -             | *                        | 1          | -          | -         | -           | 2          | 8           |
|                              | *              | 1%         | *           | *                     | 1%         | -                    | -          | 1%         | *                      | *                 | *                            | -                | 1%         | *          | 1%         | -         | -         | 2%         | -             | -             | 1%                       | 1%         | -          | -         | -           | 2%         | 1%          |
| Great deal/fair amount       | 591            | 281        | 48          | 262                   | 166        | 129                  | 202        | 195        | 228                    | 118               | 105                          | 212              | 82         | 548        | 41         | 111       | 63        | 81         | 55            | 51            | 35                       | 42         | 62         | 23        | 24          | 43         | 562         |
|                              | 51%            | 54%        | 44%         | 50%                   | 45%        | 45%                  | 80%        | 46%        | 44%                    | 37%               | 49%                          | 74%              | 38%        | 52%        | 41%        | 69%       | 58%       | 55%        | 53%           | 49%           | 40%                      | 42%        | 46%        | 45%       | 41%         | 43%        | 49%         |
| Not very much/nothing at all | 560            | 236        | 61          | 263                   | 203        | 158                  | 51         | 225        | 291                    | 201               | 109                          | 75               | 134        | 502        | 58         | 51        | 47        | 63         | 48            | 53            | 51                       | 57         | 72         | 28        | 34          | 57         | 586         |
|                              | 48%            | 45%        | 56%         | 50%                   | 55%        | 55%                  | 20%        | 53%        | 56%                    | 63%               | 51%                          | 26%              | 61%        | 48%        | 58%        | 31%       | 42%       | 43%        | 47%           | 51%           | 59%                      | 57%        | 54%        | 55%       | 59%         | 56%        | 51%         |

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Table 60

### Q.11a How much, if anything, do you feel you know about politics?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     | Urbanity                 |                          |                         | Interest in politics     |                          | Likelihood to vote       |                          | Political activism       |                          | Opinion on present system |                          | Knew local MP            |                          | Unwtd total              |                          |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                     | Total                    | Urban                    | Rural                   | Mixed                    | Interested               | Not interested           | Certain to               | Certain not to           | Activist                 | Non-activist              | Works well               | Needs improvement        | Yes                      |                          | No                       |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156                     | 773                      | 145                     | 238                      | 580                      | 569                      | 627                      | 143                      | 160                      | 996                       | 327                      | 783                      | 495                      | 661                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total                      | 1156                     | 784                      | 136                     | 235                      | 611                      | 539                      | 619                      | 140                      | 180                      | 976                       | 322                      | 793                      | 511                      | 645                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b>               | <b>97</b>               | <b>170</b>               | <b>404</b>               | <b>394</b>               | <b>430</b>               | <b>96</b>                | <b>118</b>               | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b>               | <b>543</b>               | <b>339</b>               | <b>464</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| A great deal                        | 66<br>6%                 | 51<br>7%                 | 3<br>2%                 | 12<br>5%                 | 64<br>11%                | 2<br>*                   | 48<br>8%                 | 3<br>2%                  | 35<br>20%                | 31<br>3%                  | 19<br>6%                 | 48<br>6%                 | 45<br>9%                 | 21<br>3%                 | 58<br>5%                 |
| A fair amount                       | 524<br>45%               | 363<br>46%               | 65<br>48%               | 96<br>41%                | 424<br>69%               | 98<br>18%                | 350<br>57%               | 36<br>26%                | 114<br>63%               | 411<br>42%                | 152<br>47%               | 361<br>46%               | 278<br>54%               | 246<br>38%               | 504<br>44%               |
| Not very much                       | 458<br>40%               | 285<br>36%               | 59<br>43%               | 114<br>49%               | 120<br>20%               | 337<br>62%               | 194<br>31%               | 64<br>46%                | 30<br>17%                | 428<br>44%                | 128<br>40%               | 319<br>40%               | 166<br>33%               | 292<br>45%               | 469<br>41%               |
| Nothing at all                      | 102<br>9%                | 80<br>10%                | 10<br>7%                | 13<br>5%                 | 3<br>*                   | 96<br>18%                | 25<br>4%                 | 37<br>27%                | 1<br>*                   | 101<br>10%                | 23<br>7%                 | 64<br>8%                 | 21<br>4%                 | 81<br>13%                | 117<br>10%               |
| Don't know                          | 5<br>*                   | 5<br>1%                  | -                       | -                        | -                        | 5<br>1%                  | 1<br>*                   | -                        | -                        | 5<br>1%                   | -                        | 1<br>*                   | -                        | 5<br>1%                  | 8<br>1%                  |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>591</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>415</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>68</b><br><b>50%</b> | <b>108</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>488</b><br><b>80%</b> | <b>101</b><br><b>19%</b> | <b>398</b><br><b>64%</b> | <b>39</b><br><b>28%</b>  | <b>149</b><br><b>83%</b> | <b>442</b><br><b>45%</b>  | <b>171</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>409</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>323</b><br><b>63%</b> | <b>267</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>562</b><br><b>49%</b> |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>560</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>365</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>69</b><br><b>50%</b> | <b>127</b><br><b>54%</b> | <b>123</b><br><b>20%</b> | <b>433</b><br><b>80%</b> | <b>219</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>101</b><br><b>72%</b> | <b>31</b><br><b>17%</b>  | <b>529</b><br><b>54%</b>  | <b>151</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>383</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>188</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>373</b><br><b>58%</b> | <b>586</b><br><b>51%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
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Table 61

### Q.11a How much, if anything, do you feel you know about politics?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     | Quiz score               |                          |                          | Satisfaction with local MP |                          | Satisfaction with MPs in general |                          | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |                          | Use of internet          |                          | Unwtd total              |                          |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                     | Total                    | Scored 0-3               | Scored 4-6               | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                           | Agree                    | Disagree                 | Use internet             |                          | Do not use internet      |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156                     | 210                      | 463                      | 483                        | 459                      | 183                              | 349                      | 502                                    | 438                      | 450                      | 762                      | 394                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total                      | 1156                     | 187                      | 470                      | 499                        | 444                      | 190                              | 336                      | 515                                    | 427                      | 474                      | 826                      | 330                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>801</b>               | <b>150</b>               | <b>310</b>               | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b>               | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b>               | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b>               | <b>302</b>               | <b>540</b>               | <b>269</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| A great deal                        | 66<br>6%                 | 1<br>*                   | 8<br>2%                  | 58<br>12%                  | 30<br>7%                 | 22<br>12%                        | 31<br>9%                 | 25<br>5%                               | 31<br>7%                 | 19<br>4%                 | 56<br>7%                 | 10<br>3%                 | 58<br>5%                 |
| A fair amount                       | 524<br>45%               | 39<br>21%                | 186<br>40%               | 299<br>60%                 | 229<br>52%               | 82<br>43%                        | 165<br>49%               | 236<br>46%                             | 230<br>54%               | 199<br>42%               | 395<br>48%               | 129<br>39%               | 504<br>44%               |
| Not very much                       | 458<br>40%               | 93<br>50%                | 229<br>49%               | 136<br>27%                 | 165<br>37%               | 61<br>32%                        | 122<br>36%               | 215<br>42%                             | 143<br>33%               | 211<br>44%               | 313<br>38%               | 145<br>44%               | 469<br>41%               |
| Nothing at all                      | 102<br>9%                | 50<br>27%                | 46<br>10%                | 6<br>1%                    | 19<br>4%                 | 24<br>12%                        | 18<br>5%                 | 38<br>7%                               | 24<br>6%                 | 45<br>10%                | 58<br>7%                 | 43<br>13%                | 117<br>10%               |
| Don't know                          | 5<br>*                   | 5<br>2%                  | *<br>*                   | *<br>*                     | *<br>*                   | *<br>*                           | *<br>*                   | 1<br>*                                 | -<br>-                   | *<br>*                   | 3<br>*                   | 2<br>1%                  | 8<br>1%                  |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>591</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>39</b><br><b>21%</b>  | <b>194</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>357</b><br><b>72%</b>   | <b>259</b><br><b>58%</b> | <b>104</b><br><b>55%</b>         | <b>196</b><br><b>58%</b> | <b>261</b><br><b>51%</b>               | <b>260</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>218</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>451</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>139</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>562</b><br><b>49%</b> |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>560</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>143</b><br><b>77%</b> | <b>275</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>142</b><br><b>28%</b>   | <b>184</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>85</b><br><b>45%</b>          | <b>140</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>253</b><br><b>49%</b>               | <b>167</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>256</b><br><b>54%</b> | <b>372</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>188</b><br><b>57%</b> | <b>586</b><br><b>51%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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Table 62

### Q.11a How much, if anything, do you feel you know about politics?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     | Total                    | Seat marginality         |                          |                          |                          | Segment                 |                          |                         |                          |                         |                         |                          |                         | Unwtd total              |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                     |                          | Less than 5% majority    | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%)  | Safe (>20%)              | Politically committed   | Active campaigners       | Interested bystanders   | Detached cynics          | Politically contented   | Bored/apathetic         | Disengaged/mistrustful   | Alienated/hostile       |                          |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156                     | 163                      | 351                      | 386                      | 419                      | 96                      | 142                      | 146                     | 228                      | 62                      | 93                      | 287                      | 102                     | 1156                     |
| Weighted total                      | 1156                     | 175                      | 373                      | 396                      | 387                      | 116                     | 157                      | 159                     | 191                      | 66                      | 92                      | 277                      | 99                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>801</b>               | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>               | <b>263</b>               | <b>290</b>               | <b>72</b>               | <b>101</b>               | <b>92</b>               | <b>160</b>               | <b>49</b>               | <b>66</b>               | <b>209</b>               | <b>63</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| A great deal                        | 66<br>6%                 | 12<br>7%                 | 24<br>6%                 | 28<br>7%                 | 14<br>4%                 | 27<br>24%               | 15<br>10%                | 10<br>7%                | 4<br>2%                  | 3<br>5%                 | -<br>-                  | 5<br>2%                  | -<br>-                  | 58<br>5%                 |
| A fair amount                       | 524<br>45%               | 93<br>53%                | 198<br>53%               | 168<br>42%               | 158<br>41%               | 69<br>60%               | 110<br>70%               | 89<br>56%               | 75<br>39%                | 32<br>48%               | 53<br>57%               | 91<br>33%                | 7<br>7%                 | 504<br>44%               |
| Not very much                       | 458<br>40%               | 55<br>31%                | 119<br>32%               | 160<br>40%               | 179<br>46%               | 19<br>17%               | 31<br>20%                | 60<br>37%               | 96<br>50%                | 31<br>46%               | 34<br>37%               | 141<br>51%               | 47<br>48%               | 469<br>41%               |
| Nothing at all                      | 102<br>9%                | 14<br>8%                 | 31<br>8%                 | 39<br>10%                | 33<br>8%                 | -<br>-                  | -<br>-                   | *<br>-                  | 14<br>7%                 | *<br>1%                 | 5<br>5%                 | 40<br>14%                | 42<br>42%               | 117<br>10%               |
| Don't know                          | 5<br>*                   | 2<br>1%                  | 2<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | 2<br>1%                  | -<br>-                  | -<br>-                   | -<br>-                  | 2<br>1%                  | -<br>-                  | -<br>-                  | *<br>*                   | 3<br>3%                 | 8<br>1%                  |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>591</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>105</b><br><b>60%</b> | <b>222</b><br><b>60%</b> | <b>196</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>172</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>96</b><br><b>83%</b> | <b>126</b><br><b>80%</b> | <b>99</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>79</b><br><b>41%</b>  | <b>35</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>53</b><br><b>57%</b> | <b>96</b><br><b>35%</b>  | <b>7</b><br><b>7%</b>   | <b>562</b><br><b>49%</b> |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>560</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>69</b><br><b>39%</b>  | <b>149</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>199</b><br><b>50%</b> | <b>212</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>19</b><br><b>17%</b> | <b>31</b><br><b>20%</b>  | <b>60</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>110</b><br><b>58%</b> | <b>31</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>39</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>181</b><br><b>65%</b> | <b>89</b><br><b>90%</b> | <b>586</b><br><b>51%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 63

### Q.11a How much, if anything, do you feel you know about politics?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     |                |                          | Q.19 The Westminster Parliament ...holds government to account |                          |                            |                          |                         |                          |                          |                          | Net agree               |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
|                                     | Effective Base | Total                    | Strongly agree   | Tend to agree            | Neither agree nor disagree | Tend to disagree         | Strongly disagree       | Don't know               | Agree                    | Disagree                 |                         |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156           | 1156                     | 45   | 412                      | 241                        | 223                      | 66                      | 169                      | 457                      | 289                      | 168                     |
| Weighted total                      | 801            | 1156                     | 41   | 412                      | 234                        | 249                      | 63                      | 158                      | 453                      | 312                      | 141                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>1668</b>    | <b>801</b>               | <b>31</b>  | <b>292</b>               | <b>167</b>                 | <b>150</b>               | <b>48</b>               | <b>117</b>               | <b>323</b>               | <b>197</b>               | <b>126</b>              |
| A great deal                        | 42             | 66<br>6%                 | 1<br>3%  | 24<br>6%                 | 9<br>4%                    | 25<br>10%                | 7<br>12%                | -<br>-                   | 25<br>6%                 | 32<br>10%                | -7<br>-5%               |
| A fair amount                       | 355            | 524<br>45%               | 24<br>59%  | 228<br>55%               | 89<br>38%                  | 122<br>49%               | 33<br>53%               | 27<br>17%                | 252<br>56%               | 155<br>50%               | 97<br>69%               |
| Not very much                       | 325            | 458<br>40%               | 13<br>33%  | 145<br>35%               | 114<br>49%                 | 82<br>33%                | 17<br>27%               | 87<br>55%                | 158<br>35%               | 100<br>32%               | 58<br>41%               |
| Nothing at all                      | 76             | 102<br>9%                | 2<br>6%  | 15<br>4%                 | 21<br>9%                   | 19<br>8%                 | 5<br>7%                 | 39<br>25%                | 17<br>4%                 | 24<br>8%                 | -7<br>-5%               |
| Don't know                          | 5              | 5<br>*                   | -<br>-   | -<br>-                   | 1<br>*                     | -<br>-                   | *<br>1%                 | 4<br>3%                  | -<br>-                   | *<br>*                   | *<br>*                  |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>397</b>     | <b>591</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>25</b><br><b>61%</b>  | <b>252</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>98</b><br><b>42%</b>    | <b>147</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>41</b><br><b>64%</b> | <b>27</b><br><b>17%</b>  | <b>277</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>188</b><br><b>60%</b> | <b>90</b><br><b>63%</b> |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>400</b>     | <b>560</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>16</b><br><b>39%</b>  | <b>160</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>135</b><br><b>58%</b>   | <b>101</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>22</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>126</b><br><b>80%</b> | <b>175</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>123</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>52</b><br><b>37%</b> |

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Table 64

### Q.11a How much, if anything, do you feel you know about politics?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     |                |                          | Q.19 The Westminster Parliament ...is welcoming to the public |                          |                            |                          |                         |                          |                          |                          | Net agree                |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|---|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                     | Effective Base | Total                    | Strongly agree  | Tend to agree            | Neither agree nor disagree | Tend to disagree         | Strongly disagree       | Don't know               | Agree                    | Disagree                 |                          |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156           | 1156                     | 24  | 291                      | 315                        | 257                      | 91                      | 178                      | 315                      | 348                      | -33                      |
| Weighted total                      | 801            | 1156                     | 18  | 294                      | 320                        | 271                      | 86                      | 169                      | 311                      | 356                      | -45                      |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>1668</b>    | <b>801</b>               | <b>20</b>   | <b>200</b>               | <b>218</b>                 | <b>183</b>               | <b>68</b>               | <b>116</b>               | <b>217</b>               | <b>249</b>               | <b>-32</b>               |
| A great deal                        | 42             | 66<br>6%                 | 1<br>6%   | 22<br>7%                 | 17<br>5%                   | 16<br>6%                 | 7<br>9%                 | 3<br>2%                  | 23<br>7%                 | 23<br>7%                 | -1<br>2%                 |
| A fair amount                       | 355            | 524<br>45%               | 11<br>61%   | 159<br>54%               | 145<br>45%                 | 133<br>49%               | 35<br>41%               | 41<br>24%                | 170<br>55%               | 168<br>47%               | 2<br>-4%                 |
| Not very much                       | 325            | 458<br>40%               | 4<br>20%  | 96<br>33%                | 132<br>41%                 | 98<br>36%                | 37<br>43%               | 92<br>55%                | 100<br>32%               | 135<br>38%               | -35<br>79%               |
| Nothing at all                      | 76             | 102<br>9%                | 2<br>13%  | 17<br>6%                 | 26<br>8%                   | 23<br>9%                 | 5<br>6%                 | 29<br>17%                | 19<br>6%                 | 28<br>8%                 | -9<br>20%                |
| Don't know                          | 5              | 5<br>*                   | -<br>-  | -<br>-                   | 1<br>*                     | -<br>-                   | 1<br>2%                 | 3<br>2%                  | -<br>-                   | 1<br>*                   | -1<br>3%                 |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>397</b>     | <b>591</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>12</b><br><b>66%</b>                                       | <b>181</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>162</b><br><b>51%</b>   | <b>149</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>43</b><br><b>50%</b> | <b>44</b><br><b>26%</b>  | <b>193</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>192</b><br><b>54%</b> | <b>1</b><br><b>-2%</b>   |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>400</b>     | <b>560</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>6</b><br><b>34%</b>  | <b>113</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>157</b><br><b>49%</b>   | <b>122</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>42</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>121</b><br><b>72%</b> | <b>119</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>163</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>-44</b><br><b>99%</b> |

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Table 65

### Q.11a How much, if anything, do you feel you know about politics?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     |                |                          | Q.19 The Westminster Parliament ...is working for you and me |                          |                            |                          |                         |                         |                          |                          | Net agree                |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                     | Effective Base | Total                    | Strongly agree   | Tend to agree            | Neither agree nor disagree | Tend to disagree         | Strongly disagree       | Don't know              | Agree                    | Disagree                 |                          |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156           | 1156                     | 36   | 417                      | 252                        | 259                      | 123                     | 69                      | 453                      | 382                      | 71                       |
| Weighted total                      | 801            | 1156                     | 30   | 410                      | 259                        | 289                      | 110                     | 59                      | 440                      | 398                      | 42                       |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>1668</b>    | <b>801</b>               | <b>31</b>  | <b>297</b>               | <b>170</b>                 | <b>178</b>               | <b>89</b>               | <b>47</b>               | <b>325</b>               | <b>263</b>               | <b>62</b>                |
| A great deal                        | 42             | 66<br>6%                 | 3<br>10%   | 32<br>8%                 | 9<br>3%                    | 18<br>6%                 | 4<br>4%                 | -                       | 35<br>8%                 | 22<br>6%                 | 13<br>32%                |
| A fair amount                       | 355            | 524<br>45%               | 14<br>46%  | 202<br>49%               | 115<br>44%                 | 133<br>46%               | 49<br>45%               | 11<br>19%               | 216<br>49%               | 183<br>46%               | 33<br>79%                |
| Not very much                       | 325            | 458<br>40%               | 13<br>42%  | 155<br>38%               | 110<br>43%                 | 113<br>39%               | 47<br>43%               | 20<br>34%               | 168<br>38%               | 160<br>40%               | 8<br>19%                 |
| Nothing at all                      | 76             | 102<br>9%                | 1<br>3%  | 20<br>5%                 | 25<br>10%                  | 25<br>9%                 | 8<br>8%                 | 23<br>39%               | 21<br>5%                 | 33<br>8%                 | -12<br>-28%              |
| Don't know                          | 5              | 5<br>*                   | -  | -                        | *                          | *                        | *                       | 4<br>7%                 | -                        | 1<br>*                   | -1<br>-2%                |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>397</b>     | <b>591</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>17</b><br><b>55%</b>                                      | <b>234</b><br><b>57%</b> | <b>124</b><br><b>48%</b>   | <b>151</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>54</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>11</b><br><b>19%</b> | <b>251</b><br><b>57%</b> | <b>205</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>47</b><br><b>111%</b> |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>400</b>     | <b>560</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>14</b><br><b>45%</b>                                      | <b>176</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>135</b><br><b>52%</b>   | <b>137</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>56</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>43</b><br><b>74%</b> | <b>189</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>193</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>-4</b><br><b>-9%</b>  |

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Table 66

### Q.11a How much, if anything, do you feel you know about politics?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     | Q.19 The Westminster Parliament ...is worthwhile |                          |                         |                          |                            |                         |                         |                         |                          |                         |                          |
|-------------------------------------|--|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                     | Effective Base                                   | Total                    | Strongly agree          | Tend to agree            | Neither agree nor disagree | Tend to disagree        | Strongly disagree       | Don't know              | Agree                    | Disagree                | Net agree                |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156   | 1156                     | 127                     | 556                      | 228                        | 113                     | 60                      | 72                      | 683                      | 173                     | 510                      |
| Weighted total                      | 801  | 1156                     | 130                     | 571                      | 232                        | 105                     | 53                      | 65                      | 701                      | 158                     | 543                      |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>1668</b>                                      | <b>801</b>               | <b>98</b>               | <b>386</b>               | <b>154</b>                 | <b>81</b>               | <b>39</b>               | <b>45</b>               | <b>483</b>               | <b>121</b>              | <b>363</b>               |
| A great deal                        | 42   | 66<br>6%                 | 17<br>13%               | 38<br>7%                 | 6<br>3%                    | 3<br>3%                 | *<br>1%                 | 2<br>3%                 | 55<br>8%                 | 4<br>2%                 | 52<br>9%                 |
| A fair amount                       | 355  | 524<br>45%               | 74<br>57%               | 310<br>54%               | 73<br>32%                  | 40<br>38%               | 17<br>31%               | 10<br>16%               | 384<br>55%               | 57<br>36%               | 327<br>60%               |
| Not very much                       | 325  | 458<br>40%               | 38<br>29%               | 196<br>34%               | 127<br>55%                 | 43<br>41%               | 26<br>50%               | 28<br>43%               | 234<br>33%               | 70<br>44%               | 164<br>30%               |
| Nothing at all                      | 76   | 102<br>9%                | 1<br>1%                 | 27<br>5%                 | 25<br>11%                  | 18<br>17%               | 10<br>18%               | 21<br>32%               | 28<br>4%                 | 27<br>17%               | 1<br>*                   |
| Don't know                          | 5  | 5<br>*                   | -<br>-                  | -<br>-                   | 1<br>*                     | -<br>-                  | *<br>1%                 | 4<br>6%                 | -<br>-                   | *<br>*                  | *<br>*                   |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>397</b>                                       | <b>591</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>91</b><br><b>70%</b> | <b>348</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>79</b><br><b>34%</b>    | <b>43</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>17</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>12</b><br><b>19%</b> | <b>439</b><br><b>63%</b> | <b>60</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>379</b><br><b>70%</b> |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>400</b>                                       | <b>560</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>39</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>223</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>153</b><br><b>66%</b>   | <b>61</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>36</b><br><b>67%</b> | <b>48</b><br><b>75%</b> | <b>262</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>97</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>165</b><br><b>30%</b> |

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Table 67

**Q.11b How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...**

**- Your local council -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     | Gender     |            | Age        |            |            |            |            |            |            |           |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                     | Male       | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34      | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34     | 35-54      | 55+        | AB           | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands  | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156       | 552        | 604        | 138        | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135       | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                      | 1156       | 561        | 595        | 173        | 183        | 216        | 186        | 169        | 117        | 111       | 356        | 402        | 398          | 310        | 333        | 241        | 272        | 642        | 514        | 387        | 411        | 358            | 306                   | 681                            | 169         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>801</b> | <b>391</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>98</b>  | <b>145</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b> | <b>236</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>222</b> | <b>401</b> | <b>413</b> | <b>312</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| A great deal                        | 47<br>4%   | 29<br>5%   | 18<br>3%   | -          | 5<br>2%    | 2<br>1%    | 7<br>4%    | 19<br>11%  | 7<br>6%    | 7<br>6%   | 5<br>1%    | 9<br>2%    | 33<br>8%     | 18<br>6%   | 16<br>5%   | 4<br>2%    | 8<br>3%    | 34<br>5%   | 13<br>3%   | 17<br>4%   | 17<br>4%   | 13<br>4%       | 4<br>1%               | 35<br>5%                       | 8<br>5%     | 54<br>5%    |
| A fair amount                       | 417<br>36% | 203<br>36% | 214<br>36% | 46<br>26%  | 57<br>31%  | 76<br>35%  | 59<br>32%  | 63<br>37%  | 57<br>48%  | 60<br>53% | 103<br>29% | 135<br>34% | 179<br>45%   | 115<br>37% | 127<br>38% | 86<br>36%  | 89<br>33%  | 242<br>38% | 175<br>34% | 128<br>33% | 161<br>39% | 128<br>36%     | 92<br>30%             | 258<br>38%                     | 67<br>39%   | 427<br>37%  |
| Not very much                       | 580<br>50% | 269<br>48% | 312<br>52% | 88<br>51%  | 105<br>57% | 112<br>52% | 109<br>59% | 79<br>47%  | 49<br>42%  | 38<br>34% | 193<br>54% | 220<br>55% | 167<br>42%   | 157<br>51% | 153<br>46% | 124<br>51% | 146<br>54% | 310<br>48% | 270<br>53% | 198<br>51% | 205<br>50% | 177<br>49%     | 157<br>51%            | 339<br>50%                     | 84<br>50%   | 555<br>48%  |
| Nothing at all                      | 107<br>9%  | 59<br>10%  | 48<br>8%   | 38<br>22%  | 16<br>9%   | 24<br>11%  | 11<br>6%   | 7<br>4%    | 5<br>4%    | 6<br>6%   | 54<br>15%  | 35<br>9%   | 18<br>5%     | 20<br>6%   | 36<br>11%  | 26<br>11%  | 26<br>10%  | 55<br>9%   | 52<br>10%  | 42<br>11%  | 27<br>6%   | 39<br>11%      | 53<br>17%             | 44<br>6%                       | 10<br>6%    | 110<br>10%  |
| Don't know                          | 5<br>*     | 2<br>*     | 3<br>1%    | *          | 1<br>1%    | 2<br>1%    | -          | 1<br>1%    | *          | *         | 2<br>*     | 2<br>*     | 2<br>*       | -          | 1<br>*     | 2<br>1%    | 3<br>1%    | 1<br>*     | 4<br>1%    | 2<br>*     | 2<br>*     | 2<br>*         | *                     | 4<br>1%                        | *           | 10<br>1%    |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>464</b> | <b>232</b> | <b>232</b> | <b>46</b>  | <b>62</b>  | <b>78</b>  | <b>66</b>  | <b>82</b>  | <b>63</b>  | <b>67</b> | <b>108</b> | <b>144</b> | <b>212</b>   | <b>133</b> | <b>143</b> | <b>90</b>  | <b>98</b>  | <b>276</b> | <b>188</b> | <b>145</b> | <b>178</b> | <b>141</b>     | <b>96</b>             | <b>293</b>                     | <b>75</b>   | <b>481</b>  |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>687</b> | <b>327</b> | <b>360</b> | <b>127</b> | <b>120</b> | <b>136</b> | <b>119</b> | <b>87</b>  | <b>54</b>  | <b>45</b> | <b>247</b> | <b>255</b> | <b>185</b>   | <b>177</b> | <b>189</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>172</b> | <b>366</b> | <b>322</b> | <b>240</b> | <b>232</b> | <b>216</b>     | <b>210</b>            | <b>383</b>                     | <b>94</b>   | <b>665</b>  |
|                                     | 59%        | 58%        | 61%        | 73%        | 66%        | 63%        | 64%        | 51%        | 46%        | 40%       | 69%        | 64%        | 46%          | 57%        | 57%        | 62%        | 63%        | 57%        | 63%        | 62%        | 56%        | 60%            | 69%                   | 56%                            | 56%         | 58%         |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)



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Table 68

**Q.11b How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...**

**- Your local council -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     | Working status           |                          |                         | Children in household    |                          | Newspaper readership     |                          |                          | Education                |                          |                              |                          | Ethnicity                |                          | GO Region               |                          |                         |                         |                         |                         |                          |                         |                         |                         | Unwtd total             |                         |                          |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                     | Full time                | Part time                | Not working             | Yes                      | No                       | Quality                  | Popular                  | None                     | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12   | A-Level or equiv.        | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals.         | White                    | BME                      | South East              | Eastern                  | London                  | South West              | West Midlands           | East Midlands           | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West              | North East              | Wales                   |                         | Scotland                |                          |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156                     | 425                      | 109                     | 622                      | 360                      | 234                      | 201                      | 445                      | 548                      | 318                      | 183                          | 258                      | 274                      | 1007                     | 146                     | 116                      | 102                     | 121                     | 102                     | 109                     | 71                       | 91                      | 122                     | 68                      | 97                      | 157                     | 1156                     |
| Weighted total                      | 1156                     | 520                      | 109                     | 527                      | 372                      | 287                      | 253                      | 423                      | 522                      | 320                      | 213                          | 287                      | 219                      | 1054                     | 100                     | 162                      | 110                     | 147                     | 103                     | 104                     | 87                       | 101                     | 134                     | 51                      | 58                      | 102                     | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>801</b>               | <b>306</b>               | <b>78</b>               | <b>438</b>               | <b>245</b>               | <b>163</b>               | <b>143</b>               | <b>313</b>               | <b>382</b>               | <b>224</b>               | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>               | <b>201</b>               | <b>703</b>               | <b>115</b>              | <b>90</b>                | <b>72</b>               | <b>86</b>               | <b>79</b>               | <b>75</b>               | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>               | <b>90</b>               | <b>51</b>               | <b>76</b>               | <b>118</b>              | <b>1156</b>              |
| A great deal                        | 47<br>4%                 | 18<br>3%                 | 5<br>5%                 | 24<br>5%                 | 6<br>2%                  | 11<br>4%                 | 19<br>8%                 | 14<br>3%                 | 15<br>3%                 | 7<br>2%                  | 9<br>4%                      | 17<br>6%                 | 6<br>3%                  | 43<br>4%                 | 3<br>3%                 | 9<br>6%                  | 6<br>6%                 | 5<br>4%                 | 2<br>2%                 | 4<br>4%                 | -                        | 7<br>7%                 | 3<br>2%                 | 2<br>4%                 | 3<br>5%                 | 4<br>4%                 | 54<br>5%                 |
| A fair amount                       | 417<br>36%               | 162<br>31%               | 41<br>38%               | 214<br>41%               | 127<br>34%               | 83<br>29%                | 100<br>40%               | 185<br>44%               | 146<br>28%               | 97<br>30%                | 62<br>29%                    | 119<br>42%               | 95<br>43%                | 370<br>35%               | 46<br>45%               | 50<br>31%                | 40<br>37%               | 75<br>51%               | 36<br>35%               | 39<br>37%               | 28<br>32%                | 31<br>31%               | 52<br>38%               | 17<br>34%               | 21<br>36%               | 28<br>28%               | 427<br>37%               |
| Not very much                       | 580<br>50%               | 296<br>57%               | 53<br>49%               | 232<br>44%               | 203<br>55%               | 146<br>51%               | 124<br>49%               | 189<br>45%               | 292<br>56%               | 168<br>52%               | 121<br>56%                   | 138<br>48%               | 96<br>44%                | 542<br>51%               | 37<br>37%               | 93<br>57%                | 53<br>48%               | 59<br>40%               | 53<br>52%               | 49<br>47%               | 47<br>54%                | 50<br>50%               | 63<br>47%               | 29<br>58%               | 29<br>50%               | 56<br>55%               | 555<br>48%               |
| Nothing at all                      | 107<br>9%                | 43<br>8%                 | 9<br>8%                 | 54<br>10%                | 35<br>9%                 | 45<br>16%                | 9<br>4%                  | 34<br>8%                 | 65<br>12%                | 47<br>15%                | 22<br>10%                    | 12<br>4%                 | 20<br>9%                 | 96<br>9%                 | 11<br>11%               | 9<br>6%                  | 10<br>9%                | 6<br>4%                 | 11<br>11%               | 11<br>13%               | 12<br>13%                | 11<br>11%               | 16<br>12%               | 2<br>4%                 | 5<br>9%                 | 13<br>13%               | 110<br>10%               |
| Don't know                          | 5<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | 1<br>1%                 | 3<br>1%                  | 1<br>*                   | 2<br>1%                  | -                        | 1<br>*                   | 4<br>1%                  | 2<br>1%                  | -                            | -                        | 2<br>1%                  | 2<br>*                   | 3<br>3%                 | *<br>*                   | -                       | 1<br>1%                 | -                       | 1<br>1%                 | *<br>*                   | 1<br>1%                 | -                       | -                       | -                       | 1<br>1%                 | 10<br>1%                 |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>464</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>180</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>46</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>238</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>133</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>94</b><br><b>33%</b>  | <b>119</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>200</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>160</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>104</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>71</b><br><b>33%</b>      | <b>137</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>101</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>414</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>49</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>60</b><br><b>37%</b>  | <b>47</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>80</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>38</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>43</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>28</b><br><b>32%</b>  | <b>39</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>55</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>20</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>24</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>32</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>481</b><br><b>42%</b> |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>687</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>339</b><br><b>65%</b> | <b>62</b><br><b>57%</b> | <b>286</b><br><b>54%</b> | <b>238</b><br><b>64%</b> | <b>191</b><br><b>67%</b> | <b>134</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>223</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>357</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>215</b><br><b>67%</b> | <b>143</b><br><b>67%</b>     | <b>150</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>116</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>638</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>48</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>101</b><br><b>63%</b> | <b>63</b><br><b>58%</b> | <b>65</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>65</b><br><b>63%</b> | <b>60</b><br><b>58%</b> | <b>58</b><br><b>67%</b>  | <b>61</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>79</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>31</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>34</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>69</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>665</b><br><b>58%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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Table 69

**Q.11b How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...**

**- Your local council -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     | Total                    | Urbanity                 |                         |                          | Interest in politics     |                          | Likelihood to vote       |                          | Political activism       |                          | Opinion on present system |                          | Knew local MP            |                          | Unwtd total              |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                     |                          | Urban                    | Rural                   | Mixed                    | Interested               | Not interested           | Certain to               | Certain not to           | Activist                 | Non-activist             | Works well                | Needs improvement        | Yes                      | No                       |                          |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156                     | 773                      | 145                     | 238                      | 580                      | 569                      | 627                      | 143                      | 160                      | 996                      | 327                       | 783                      | 495                      | 661                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total                      | 1156                     | 784                      | 136                     | 235                      | 611                      | 539                      | 619                      | 140                      | 180                      | 976                      | 322                       | 793                      | 511                      | 645                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b>               | <b>97</b>               | <b>170</b>               | <b>404</b>               | <b>394</b>               | <b>430</b>               | <b>96</b>                | <b>118</b>               | <b>684</b>               | <b>232</b>                | <b>543</b>               | <b>339</b>               | <b>464</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| A great deal                        | 47<br>4%                 | 32<br>4%                 | 3<br>2%                 | 12<br>5%                 | 41<br>7%                 | 6<br>1%                  | 34<br>6%                 | 3<br>2%                  | 22<br>12%                | 25<br>3%                 | 10<br>3%                  | 37<br>5%                 | 31<br>6%                 | 16<br>2%                 | 54<br>5%                 |
| A fair amount                       | 417<br>36%               | 291<br>37%               | 46<br>34%               | 80<br>34%                | 257<br>42%               | 159<br>30%               | 257<br>42%               | 29<br>21%                | 78<br>43%                | 339<br>35%               | 117<br>36%                | 286<br>36%               | 230<br>45%               | 187<br>29%               | 427<br>37%               |
| Not very much                       | 580<br>50%               | 379<br>48%               | 73<br>54%               | 127<br>54%               | 291<br>48%               | 288<br>54%               | 293<br>47%               | 72<br>51%                | 77<br>43%                | 503<br>52%               | 164<br>51%                | 400<br>50%               | 225<br>44%               | 356<br>55%               | 555<br>48%               |
| Nothing at all                      | 107<br>9%                | 77<br>10%                | 13<br>10%               | 17<br>7%                 | 21<br>3%                 | 82<br>15%                | 33<br>5%                 | 37<br>26%                | 3<br>2%                  | 104<br>11%               | 30<br>9%                  | 69<br>9%                 | 24<br>5%                 | 83<br>13%                | 110<br>10%               |
| Don't know                          | 5<br>*                   | 5<br>1%                  | -                       | -                        | 1<br>*                   | 3<br>1%                  | 1<br>*                   | -                        | -                        | 5<br>1%                  | 1<br>*                    | 1<br>*                   | *                        | 5<br>1%                  | 10<br>1%                 |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>464</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>323</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>50</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>91</b><br><b>39%</b>  | <b>298</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>165</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>291</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>31</b><br><b>22%</b>  | <b>100</b><br><b>56%</b> | <b>364</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>127</b><br><b>39%</b>  | <b>324</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>261</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>202</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>481</b><br><b>42%</b> |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>687</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>457</b><br><b>58%</b> | <b>87</b><br><b>64%</b> | <b>144</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>312</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>371</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>326</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>108</b><br><b>78%</b> | <b>80</b><br><b>44%</b>  | <b>608</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>194</b><br><b>60%</b>  | <b>469</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>249</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>438</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>665</b><br><b>58%</b> |

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Table 70

**Q.11b How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...**

**- Your local council -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     | Total                    | Quiz score               |                          |                          | Satisfaction with local MP |                          | Satisfaction with MPs in general |                          | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |                          | Use of internet          |                          | Unwtd total              |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                     |                          | Scored 0-3               | Scored 4-6               | Scored 7-9               | Satisfied                  | Dissatisfied             | Satisfied                        | Dissatisfied             | Agree                                  | Disagree                 | Use internet             | Do not use internet      |                          |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156                     | 210                      | 463                      | 483                      | 459                        | 183                      | 349                              | 502                      | 438                                    | 450                      | 762                      | 394                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total                      | 1156                     | 187                      | 470                      | 499                      | 444                        | 190                      | 336                              | 515                      | 427                                    | 474                      | 826                      | 330                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>801</b>               | <b>150</b>               | <b>310</b>               | <b>345</b>               | <b>324</b>                 | <b>135</b>               | <b>264</b>                       | <b>330</b>               | <b>327</b>                             | <b>302</b>               | <b>540</b>               | <b>269</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| A great deal                        | 47<br>4%                 | 2<br>1%                  | 10<br>2%                 | 34<br>7%                 | 25<br>6%                   | 11<br>6%                 | 23<br>7%                         | 21<br>4%                 | 23<br>5%                               | 19<br>4%                 | 33<br>4%                 | 13<br>4%                 | 54<br>5%                 |
| A fair amount                       | 417<br>36%               | 66<br>35%                | 151<br>32%               | 200<br>40%               | 206<br>46%                 | 69<br>36%                | 141<br>42%                       | 171<br>33%               | 171<br>40%                             | 153<br>32%               | 284<br>34%               | 133<br>40%               | 427<br>37%               |
| Not very much                       | 580<br>50%               | 82<br>44%                | 255<br>54%               | 243<br>49%               | 198<br>45%                 | 79<br>42%                | 151<br>45%                       | 263<br>51%               | 202<br>47%                             | 254<br>53%               | 432<br>52%               | 148<br>45%               | 555<br>48%               |
| Nothing at all                      | 107<br>9%                | 33<br>18%                | 53<br>11%                | 22<br>4%                 | 14<br>3%                   | 30<br>16%                | 21<br>6%                         | 60<br>12%                | 30<br>7%                               | 48<br>10%                | 75<br>9%                 | 32<br>10%                | 110<br>10%               |
| Don't know                          | 5<br>*                   | 4<br>2%                  | 1<br>*                   | -<br>-                   | 1<br>*                     | *<br>*                   | 1<br>*                           | 1<br>*                   | 1<br>*                                 | *<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | 4<br>1%                  | 10<br>1%                 |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>464</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>68</b><br><b>36%</b>  | <b>161</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>235</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>231</b><br><b>52%</b>   | <b>80</b><br><b>42%</b>  | <b>163</b><br><b>49%</b>         | <b>191</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>194</b><br><b>45%</b>               | <b>172</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>318</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>146</b><br><b>44%</b> | <b>481</b><br><b>42%</b> |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>687</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>115</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>308</b><br><b>66%</b> | <b>265</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>211</b><br><b>48%</b>   | <b>109</b><br><b>58%</b> | <b>172</b><br><b>51%</b>         | <b>322</b><br><b>63%</b> | <b>233</b><br><b>54%</b>               | <b>302</b><br><b>64%</b> | <b>508</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>180</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>665</b><br><b>58%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 71

**Q.11b How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...**

**- Your local council -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |                   | Segment               |                    |                       |                  |                       |                  |                        |                   | Unwtd total      |                   |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
|                                     | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%)       | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics  | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic  | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |                  |                   |
| Unweighted total                    | <b>1156</b>           | 163                      | 351                     | 386               | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146              | 228                   | 62               | 93                     | 287               | 102              | 1156              |
| Weighted total                      | <b>1156</b>           | 175                      | 373                     | 396               | 387                   | 116                | 157                   | 159              | 191                   | 66               | 92                     | 277               | 99               | 1156              |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>801</b>            | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>              | <b>263</b>        | <b>290</b>            | <b>72</b>          | <b>101</b>            | <b>92</b>        | <b>160</b>            | <b>49</b>        | <b>66</b>              | <b>209</b>        | <b>63</b>        | <b>1156</b>       |
| A great deal                        | <b>47</b><br>4%       | 8<br>4%                  | 19<br>5%                | 16<br>4%          | 11<br>3%              | 18<br>16%          | 9<br>6%               | 8<br>5%          | 2<br>1%               | 1<br>2%          | 2<br>2%                | 7<br>2%           | -<br>-           | 54<br>5%          |
| A fair amount                       | <b>417</b><br>36%     | 59<br>34%                | 138<br>37%              | 134<br>34%        | 145<br>37%            | 51<br>44%          | 55<br>35%             | 58<br>36%        | 84<br>44%             | 32<br>48%        | 50<br>54%              | 76<br>27%         | 12<br>12%        | 427<br>37%        |
| Not very much                       | <b>580</b><br>50%     | 97<br>55%                | 192<br>51%              | 189<br>48%        | 199<br>52%            | 47<br>40%          | 86<br>55%             | 89<br>56%        | 91<br>48%             | 29<br>45%        | 30<br>33%              | 164<br>59%        | 44<br>45%        | 555<br>48%        |
| Nothing at all                      | <b>107</b><br>9%      | 11<br>6%                 | 23<br>6%                | 55<br>14%         | 29<br>8%              | -<br>-             | 7<br>4%               | 5<br>3%          | 13<br>7%              | 4<br>6%          | 10<br>10%              | 29<br>10%         | 40<br>40%        | 110<br>10%        |
| Don't know                          | <b>5</b><br>*         | *<br>*                   | *<br>*                  | 2<br>1%           | 2<br>1%               | -<br>-             | -<br>-                | -<br>-           | 1<br>*                | -<br>-           | -<br>-                 | 1<br>*            | 3<br>3%          | 10<br>1%          |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>464</b><br>40%     | <b>67</b><br>38%         | <b>158</b><br>42%       | <b>150</b><br>38% | <b>156</b><br>40%     | <b>69</b><br>60%   | <b>64</b><br>41%      | <b>65</b><br>41% | <b>86</b><br>45%      | <b>33</b><br>50% | <b>52</b><br>57%       | <b>83</b><br>30%  | <b>12</b><br>12% | <b>481</b><br>42% |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>687</b><br>59%     | <b>107</b><br>61%        | <b>215</b><br>58%       | <b>244</b><br>62% | <b>229</b><br>59%     | <b>47</b><br>40%   | <b>93</b><br>59%      | <b>94</b><br>59% | <b>104</b><br>54%     | <b>33</b><br>50% | <b>40</b><br>43%       | <b>193</b><br>70% | <b>84</b><br>85% | <b>665</b><br>58% |

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Table 72

**Q.11b How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...**

**- Your local council -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     |                |                   | <b>Q.19 The Westminster Parliament ...holds government to account</b> |                   |                            |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                  |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|---|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|
|                                     | Effective Base | Total             | Strongly agree  | Tend to agree     | Neither agree nor disagree | Tend to disagree  | Strongly disagree | Don't know        | Agree             | Disagree          | Net agree        |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156           | 1156              | 45  | 412               | 241                        | 223               | 66                | 169               | 457               | 289               | 168              |
| Weighted total                      | 801            | 1156              | 41  | 412               | 234                        | 249               | 63                | 158               | 453               | 312               | 141              |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>1668</b>    | <b>801</b>        | <b>31</b>   | <b>292</b>        | <b>167</b>                 | <b>150</b>        | <b>48</b>         | <b>117</b>        | <b>323</b>        | <b>197</b>        | <b>126</b>       |
| A great deal                        | 40             | 47<br>4%          | 2<br>5%   | 13<br>3%          | 3<br>1%                    | 15<br>6%          | 9<br>15%          | 4<br>3%           | 15<br>3%          | 24<br>8%          | -9<br>-6%        |
| A fair amount                       | 300            | 417<br>36%        | 18<br>44%   | 180<br>44%        | 79<br>34%                  | 82<br>33%         | 22<br>34%         | 36<br>23%         | 198<br>44%        | 104<br>33%        | 95<br>67%        |
| Not very much                       | 391            | 580<br>50%        | 16<br>40%   | 190<br>46%        | 139<br>59%                 | 131<br>53%        | 26<br>41%         | 78<br>50%         | 206<br>46%        | 157<br>50%        | 50<br>35%        |
| Nothing at all                      | 68             | 107<br>9%         | 5<br>11%  | 27<br>7%          | 12<br>5%                   | 20<br>8%          | 7<br>11%          | 37<br>23%         | 32<br>7%          | 27<br>9%          | 5<br>4%          |
| Don't know                          | 8              | 5<br>*            | -   | 1<br>*            | *<br>*                     | 1<br>*            | -                 | 3<br>2%           | 1<br>*            | 1<br>*            | *<br>*           |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>339</b>     | <b>464</b><br>40% | <b>20</b><br>49%  | <b>194</b><br>47% | <b>82</b><br>35%           | <b>97</b><br>39%  | <b>31</b><br>49%  | <b>40</b><br>25%  | <b>214</b><br>47% | <b>128</b><br>41% | <b>86</b><br>61% |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>459</b>     | <b>687</b><br>59% | <b>21</b><br>51%  | <b>217</b><br>53% | <b>151</b><br>65%          | <b>151</b><br>61% | <b>32</b><br>51%  | <b>115</b><br>73% | <b>238</b><br>53% | <b>183</b><br>59% | <b>55</b><br>39% |

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Table 73

**Q.11b How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...**

**- Your local council -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     |                |                   | <b>Q.19 The Westminster Parliament ...is welcoming to the public</b> |                   |                            |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   | Net agree          |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|--|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
|                                     | Effective Base | Total             | Strongly agree   | Tend to agree     | Neither agree nor disagree | Tend to disagree  | Strongly disagree | Don't know        | Agree             | Disagree          |                    |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156           | 1156              | 24   | 291               | 315                        | 257               | 91                | 178               | 315               | 348               | -33                |
| Weighted total                      | 801            | 1156              | 18   | 294               | 320                        | 271               | 86                | 169               | 311               | 356               | -45                |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>1668</b>    | <b>801</b>        | <b>20</b>  | <b>200</b>        | <b>218</b>                 | <b>183</b>        | <b>68</b>         | <b>116</b>        | <b>217</b>        | <b>249</b>        | <b>-32</b>         |
| A great deal                        | 40             | 47<br>4%          | 2<br>9%  | 13<br>4%          | 9<br>3%                    | 12<br>4%          | 7<br>9%           | 4<br>3%           | 14<br>5%          | 19<br>5%          | -5<br>11%          |
| A fair amount                       | 300            | 417<br>36%        | 11<br>63%  | 135<br>46%        | 110<br>34%                 | 94<br>35%         | 23<br>27%         | 43<br>26%         | 147<br>47%        | 117<br>33%        | 29<br>-65%         |
| Not very much                       | 391            | 580<br>50%        | 3<br>15%   | 133<br>45%        | 170<br>53%                 | 144<br>53%        | 45<br>52%         | 85<br>51%         | 136<br>44%        | 189<br>53%        | -53<br>119%        |
| Nothing at all                      | 68             | 107<br>9%         | 2<br>12%   | 11<br>4%          | 31<br>10%                  | 20<br>7%          | 9<br>10%          | 34<br>20%         | 14<br>4%          | 29<br>8%          | -15<br>33%         |
| Don't know                          | 8              | 5<br>*            | -<br>-   | 1<br>*            | *<br>*                     | 1<br>*            | 1<br>2%           | 2<br>1%           | 1<br>*            | 2<br>1%           | -1<br>3%           |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>339</b>     | <b>464</b><br>40% | <b>13</b><br>72%   | <b>148</b><br>51% | <b>118</b><br>37%          | <b>106</b><br>39% | <b>31</b><br>36%  | <b>48</b><br>28%  | <b>161</b><br>52% | <b>137</b><br>38% | <b>24</b><br>-54%  |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>459</b>     | <b>687</b><br>59% | <b>5</b><br>28%  | <b>145</b><br>49% | <b>201</b><br>63%          | <b>164</b><br>61% | <b>53</b><br>63%  | <b>119</b><br>71% | <b>149</b><br>48% | <b>217</b><br>61% | <b>-68</b><br>152% |

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Table 74

**Q.11b How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...**

**- Your local council -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     |                |                   | <b>Q.19 The Westminster Parliament ...is working for you and me</b> |                   |                            |                   |                   |                  |                   |                   |                    |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|---|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
|                                     | Effective Base | Total             | Strongly agree  | Tend to agree     | Neither agree nor disagree | Tend to disagree  | Strongly disagree | Don't know       | Agree             | Disagree          | Net agree          |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156           | 1156              | 36  | 417               | 252                        | 259               | 123               | 69               | 453               | 382               | 71                 |
| Weighted total                      | 801            | 1156              | 30  | 410               | 259                        | 289               | 110               | 59               | 440               | 398               | 42                 |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>1668</b>    | <b>801</b>        | <b>31</b>   | <b>297</b>        | <b>170</b>                 | <b>178</b>        | <b>89</b>         | <b>47</b>        | <b>325</b>        | <b>263</b>        | <b>62</b>          |
| A great deal                        | 40             | 47<br>4%          | 1<br>3%   | 22<br>5%          | 6<br>2%                    | 8<br>3%           | 8<br>8%           | *<br>1%          | 23<br>5%          | 17<br>4%          | 6<br>15%           |
| A fair amount                       | 300            | 417<br>36%        | 17<br>56%   | 170<br>41%        | 89<br>35%                  | 93<br>32%         | 31<br>28%         | 17<br>30%        | 187<br>42%        | 123<br>31%        | 63<br>152%         |
| Not very much                       | 391            | 580<br>50%        | 11<br>36%   | 190<br>46%        | 140<br>54%                 | 164<br>57%        | 55<br>50%         | 20<br>34%        | 201<br>46%        | 220<br>55%        | -19<br>-45%        |
| Nothing at all                      | 68             | 107<br>9%         | 2<br>5%   | 27<br>7%          | 23<br>9%                   | 23<br>8%          | 15<br>13%         | 18<br>30%        | 29<br>7%          | 38<br>10%         | -9<br>-21%         |
| Don't know                          | 8              | 5<br>*            | -<br>-  | 1<br>*            | -<br>-                     | *<br>*            | *<br>*            | 3<br>6%          | 1<br>*            | 1<br>*            | *<br>*             |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>339</b>     | <b>464</b><br>40% | <b>18</b><br>59%  | <b>192</b><br>47% | <b>96</b><br>37%           | <b>101</b><br>35% | <b>39</b><br>36%  | <b>18</b><br>31% | <b>210</b><br>48% | <b>140</b><br>35% | <b>70</b><br>166%  |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>459</b>     | <b>687</b><br>59% | <b>12</b><br>41%  | <b>217</b><br>53% | <b>163</b><br>63%          | <b>187</b><br>65% | <b>70</b><br>64%  | <b>37</b><br>64% | <b>230</b><br>52% | <b>257</b><br>65% | <b>-28</b><br>-66% |

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Table 75

**Q.11b How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...**

**- Your local council -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     |                |                   | <b>Q.19 The Westminster Parliament ...is worthwhile</b> |                   |                            |                  |                   |                  |                   |                   |                   |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|---|-------------------|----------------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                                     | Effective Base | Total             | Strongly agree  | Tend to agree     | Neither agree nor disagree | Tend to disagree | Strongly disagree | Don't know       | Agree             | Disagree          | Net agree         |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156           | 1156              | 127   | 556               | 228                        | 113              | 60                | 72               | 683               | 173               | 510               |
| Weighted total                      | 801            | 1156              | 130   | 571               | 232                        | 105              | 53                | 65               | 701               | 158               | 543               |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>1668</b>    | <b>801</b>        | <b>98</b>   | <b>386</b>        | <b>154</b>                 | <b>81</b>        | <b>39</b>         | <b>45</b>        | <b>483</b>        | <b>121</b>        | <b>363</b>        |
| A great deal                        | 40             | 47<br>4%          | 9<br>7%   | 27<br>5%          | 7<br>3%                    | 2<br>2%          | 2<br>3%           | 1<br>1%          | 36<br>5%          | 3<br>2%           | 32<br>6%          |
| A fair amount                       | 300            | 417<br>36%        | 57<br>44%   | 220<br>39%        | 81<br>35%                  | 30<br>28%        | 10<br>20%         | 18<br>28%        | 277<br>40%        | 40<br>26%         | 237<br>44%        |
| Not very much                       | 391            | 580<br>50%        | 58<br>45%   | 296<br>52%        | 114<br>49%                 | 60<br>58%        | 31<br>59%         | 21<br>32%        | 354<br>51%        | 92<br>58%         | 262<br>48%        |
| Nothing at all                      | 68             | 107<br>9%         | 6<br>4%   | 28<br>5%          | 30<br>13%                  | 13<br>12%        | 9<br>18%          | 22<br>34%        | 33<br>5%          | 22<br>14%         | 11<br>2%          |
| Don't know                          | 8              | 5<br>*            | -<br>-  | 1<br>*            | 1<br>*                     | -<br>-           | *<br>1%           | 3<br>4%          | 1<br>*            | *<br>*            | *<br>*            |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>339</b>     | <b>464</b><br>40% | <b>66</b><br>51%  | <b>247</b><br>43% | <b>88</b><br>38%           | <b>32</b><br>30% | <b>12</b><br>23%  | <b>19</b><br>30% | <b>313</b><br>45% | <b>44</b><br>28%  | <b>269</b><br>50% |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>459</b>     | <b>687</b><br>59% | <b>64</b><br>49%  | <b>323</b><br>57% | <b>143</b><br>62%          | <b>73</b><br>70% | <b>41</b><br>77%  | <b>43</b><br>66% | <b>387</b><br>55% | <b>114</b><br>72% | <b>274</b><br>50% |

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**Q.11b How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...**

**- The role of MPs -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     | Gender     |            | Age        |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                     | Male       | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34      | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34      | 35-54      | 55+        | AB           | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands  | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156       | 552        | 604        | 138        | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135        | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                      | 1156       | 561        | 595        | 173        | 183        | 216        | 186        | 169        | 117        | 111        | 356        | 402        | 398          | 310        | 333        | 241        | 272        | 642        | 514        | 387        | 411        | 358            | 306                   | 681                            | 169         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>801</b> | <b>391</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>98</b>  | <b>145</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b>  | <b>236</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>222</b> | <b>401</b> | <b>413</b> | <b>312</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| A great deal                        | 70<br>6%   | 47<br>8%   | 23<br>4%   | 5<br>3%    | 7<br>4%    | 12<br>6%   | 11<br>6%   | 22<br>13%  | 8<br>7%    | 6<br>5%    | 11<br>3%   | 23<br>6%   | 36<br>9%     | 32<br>10%  | 18<br>6%   | 7<br>3%    | 11<br>4%   | 51<br>8%   | 19<br>4%   | 16<br>4%   | 35<br>9%   | 19<br>5%       | 7<br>2%               | 51<br>8%                       | 11<br>7%    | 63<br>5%    |
| A fair amount                       | 505<br>44% | 259<br>46% | 246<br>41% | 47<br>27%  | 64<br>35%  | 84<br>39%  | 95<br>51%  | 83<br>49%  | 67<br>57%  | 65<br>58%  | 111<br>31% | 179<br>45% | 215<br>54%   | 178<br>57% | 164<br>49% | 83<br>34%  | 81<br>30%  | 341<br>53% | 164<br>32% | 144<br>37% | 217<br>53% | 145<br>41%     | 108<br>35%            | 312<br>46%                     | 85<br>50%   | 492<br>43%  |
| Not very much                       | 464<br>40% | 205<br>37% | 259<br>43% | 84<br>49%  | 85<br>46%  | 99<br>46%  | 66<br>36%  | 57<br>33%  | 37<br>32%  | 170<br>31% | 166<br>48% | 129<br>41% | 129<br>32%   | 88<br>28%  | 120<br>36% | 118<br>49% | 138<br>51% | 208<br>32% | 256<br>50% | 189<br>49% | 121<br>29% | 154<br>43%     | 140<br>46%            | 265<br>39%                     | 59<br>35%   | 468<br>40%  |
| Nothing at all                      | 110<br>9%  | 45<br>8%   | 64<br>11%  | 36<br>21%  | 25<br>14%  | 18<br>8%   | 13<br>7%   | 7<br>4%    | 5<br>4%    | 6<br>5%    | 61<br>17%  | 31<br>8%   | 18<br>4%     | 11<br>3%   | 29<br>9%   | 29<br>12%  | 41<br>15%  | 40<br>6%   | 70<br>14%  | 37<br>10%  | 35<br>9%   | 38<br>10%      | 48<br>16%             | 49<br>7%                       | 13<br>8%    | 122<br>11%  |
| Don't know                          | 7<br>1%    | 5<br>1%    | 3<br>*     | 2<br>1%    | 2<br>1%    | 2<br>1%    | -          | *          | *          | -          | 4<br>1%    | 2<br>1%    | 1<br>*       | 1<br>*     | 1<br>*     | 4<br>2%    | 1<br>*     | 2<br>*     | 5<br>1%    | 2<br>*     | 3<br>1%    | 3<br>1%        | 3<br>1%               | 4<br>1%                        | *<br>1%     | 11<br>1%    |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>575</b> | <b>306</b> | <b>269</b> | <b>51</b>  | <b>71</b>  | <b>96</b>  | <b>106</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>75</b>  | <b>71</b>  | <b>122</b> | <b>202</b> | <b>251</b>   | <b>210</b> | <b>182</b> | <b>91</b>  | <b>92</b>  | <b>392</b> | <b>183</b> | <b>159</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>164</b>     | <b>115</b>            | <b>363</b>                     | <b>96</b>   | <b>555</b>  |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>574</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>323</b> | <b>120</b> | <b>111</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>80</b>  | <b>64</b>  | <b>42</b>  | <b>41</b>  | <b>230</b> | <b>197</b> | <b>146</b>   | <b>98</b>  | <b>149</b> | <b>147</b> | <b>179</b> | <b>247</b> | <b>326</b> | <b>226</b> | <b>156</b> | <b>191</b>     | <b>188</b>            | <b>313</b>                     | <b>72</b>   | <b>590</b>  |
|                                     | 50%        | 45%        | 54%        | 69%        | 60%        | 54%        | 43%        | 38%        | 36%        | 37%        | 65%        | 49%        | 37%          | 32%        | 45%        | 61%        | 66%        | 39%        | 63%        | 58%        | 38%        | 53%            | 61%                   | 46%                            | 43%         | 51%         |

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Table 77

**Q.11b How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...**

**- The role of MPs -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     | Working status           |                          |                         | Children in household    |                          | Newspaper readership     |                          |                          | Education                |                          |                              |                          | Ethnicity                |                          | GO Region               |                          |                         |                         |                         |                         |                          |                         |                         |                         | Unwtd total             |                         |                          |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                     | Full time                | Part time                | Not working             | Yes                      | No                       | Quality                  | Popular                  | None                     | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12   | A-Level or equiv.        | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals.         | White                    | BME                      | South East              | Eastern                  | London                  | South West              | West Midlands           | East Midlands           | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West              | North East              | Wales                   |                         | Scotland                |                          |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156                     | 425                      | 109                     | 622                      | 360                      | 234                      | 201                      | 445                      | 548                      | 318                      | 183                          | 258                      | 274                      | 1007                     | 146                     | 116                      | 102                     | 121                     | 102                     | 109                     | 71                       | 91                      | 122                     | 68                      | 97                      | 157                     | 1156                     |
| Weighted total                      | 1156                     | 520                      | 109                     | 527                      | 372                      | 287                      | 253                      | 423                      | 522                      | 320                      | 213                          | 287                      | 219                      | 1054                     | 100                     | 162                      | 110                     | 147                     | 103                     | 104                     | 87                       | 101                     | 134                     | 51                      | 58                      | 102                     | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>801</b>               | <b>306</b>               | <b>78</b>               | <b>438</b>               | <b>245</b>               | <b>163</b>               | <b>143</b>               | <b>313</b>               | <b>382</b>               | <b>224</b>               | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>               | <b>201</b>               | <b>703</b>               | <b>115</b>              | <b>90</b>                | <b>72</b>               | <b>86</b>               | <b>79</b>               | <b>75</b>               | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>               | <b>90</b>               | <b>51</b>               | <b>76</b>               | <b>118</b>              | <b>1156</b>              |
| A great deal                        | 70<br>6%                 | 33<br>6%                 | 4<br>3%                 | 33<br>6%                 | 13<br>4%                 | 11<br>4%                 | 33<br>13%                | 16<br>4%                 | 26<br>5%                 | 9<br>3%                  | 11<br>5%                     | 38<br>13%                | 6<br>3%                  | 66<br>6%                 | 3<br>3%                 | 15<br>9%                 | 9<br>8%                 | 12<br>8%                | 8<br>8%                 | 4<br>4%                 | 2<br>2%                  | 5<br>5%                 | 2<br>2%                 | 4<br>8%                 | 4<br>7%                 | 5<br>4%                 | 63<br>5%                 |
| A fair amount                       | 505<br>44%               | 223<br>43%               | 44<br>40%               | 239<br>45%               | 145<br>39%               | 104<br>36%               | 166<br>66%               | 164<br>39%               | 202<br>39%               | 110<br>34%               | 90<br>42%                    | 171<br>60%               | 75<br>34%                | 468<br>44%               | 37<br>37%               | 88<br>54%                | 48<br>44%               | 75<br>51%               | 54<br>53%               | 39<br>38%               | 35<br>40%                | 41<br>40%               | 53<br>40%               | 16<br>31%               | 22<br>39%               | 34<br>34%               | 492<br>43%               |
| Not very much                       | 464<br>40%               | 220<br>42%               | 50<br>46%               | 193<br>37%               | 161<br>43%               | 135<br>47%               | 48<br>19%                | 202<br>48%               | 220<br>42%               | 147<br>46%               | 96<br>45%                    | 68<br>24%                | 108<br>49%               | 421<br>40%               | 41<br>41%               | 49<br>30%                | 43<br>39%               | 43<br>29%               | 29<br>28%               | 47<br>45%               | 38<br>44%                | 44<br>44%               | 67<br>50%               | 24<br>48%               | 26<br>45%               | 54<br>53%               | 468<br>40%               |
| Nothing at all                      | 110<br>9%                | 43<br>8%                 | 12<br>11%               | 55<br>11%                | 50<br>14%                | 35<br>12%                | 4<br>2%                  | 38<br>9%                 | 70<br>13%                | 51<br>16%                | 16<br>8%                     | 8<br>3%                  | 30<br>14%                | 95<br>9%                 | 15<br>15%               | 10<br>6%                 | 8<br>7%                 | 14<br>10%               | 12<br>11%               | 14<br>13%               | 11<br>13%                | 10<br>10%               | 12<br>9%                | 7<br>13%                | 5<br>8%                 | 9<br>8%                 | 122<br>11%               |
| Don't know                          | 7<br>1%                  | 1<br>*                   | -                       | 6<br>1%                  | 3<br>1%                  | 3<br>1%                  | 2<br>1%                  | 3<br>1%                  | 3<br>1%                  | 2<br>1%                  | -                            | 2<br>1%                  | 1<br>1%                  | 3<br>*                   | 4<br>4%                 | *<br>*                   | 1<br>1%                 | 3<br>2%                 | -                       | *<br>*                  | 1<br>1%                  | 1<br>1%                 | -                       | -                       | -                       | 1<br>1%                 | 11<br>1%                 |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>575</b><br><b>50%</b> | <b>256</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>47</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>272</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>158</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>114</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>199</b><br><b>79%</b> | <b>180</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>228</b><br><b>44%</b> | <b>119</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>101</b><br><b>47%</b>     | <b>209</b><br><b>73%</b> | <b>80</b><br><b>37%</b>  | <b>535</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>40</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>102</b><br><b>63%</b> | <b>57</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>87</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>62</b><br><b>60%</b> | <b>43</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>37</b><br><b>42%</b>  | <b>45</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>55</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>20</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>27</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>39</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>555</b><br><b>48%</b> |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>574</b><br><b>50%</b> | <b>263</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>62</b><br><b>57%</b> | <b>249</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>211</b><br><b>57%</b> | <b>170</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>52</b><br><b>20%</b>  | <b>240</b><br><b>57%</b> | <b>290</b><br><b>56%</b> | <b>199</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>112</b><br><b>53%</b>     | <b>75</b><br><b>26%</b>  | <b>138</b><br><b>63%</b> | <b>517</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>55</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>59</b><br><b>36%</b>  | <b>51</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>56</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>41</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>60</b><br><b>58%</b> | <b>49</b><br><b>56%</b>  | <b>54</b><br><b>54%</b> | <b>79</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>31</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>31</b><br><b>54%</b> | <b>62</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>590</b><br><b>51%</b> |

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Table 78

**Q.11b How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...**

**- The role of MPs -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     | Total                    | Urbanity                 |                         |                          | Interest in politics     |                          | Likelihood to vote       |                          | Political activism       |                          | Opinion on present system |                          | Knew local MP            |                          | Unwtd total              |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                     |                          | Urban                    | Rural                   | Mixed                    | Interested               | Not interested           | Certain to               | Certain not to           | Activist                 | Non-activist             | Works well                | Needs improvement        | Yes                      | No                       |                          |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156                     | 773                      | 145                     | 238                      | 580                      | 569                      | 627                      | 143                      | 160                      | 996                      | 327                       | 783                      | 495                      | 661                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total                      | 1156                     | 784                      | 136                     | 235                      | 611                      | 539                      | 619                      | 140                      | 180                      | 976                      | 322                       | 793                      | 511                      | 645                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b>               | <b>97</b>               | <b>170</b>               | <b>404</b>               | <b>394</b>               | <b>430</b>               | <b>96</b>                | <b>118</b>               | <b>684</b>               | <b>232</b>                | <b>543</b>               | <b>339</b>               | <b>464</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| A great deal                        | 70<br>6%                 | 53<br>7%                 | 5<br>3%                 | 13<br>5%                 | 66<br>11%                | 4<br>1%                  | 51<br>8%                 | 3<br>2%                  | 41<br>23%                | 28<br>3%                 | 19<br>6%                  | 51<br>6%                 | 46<br>9%                 | 24<br>4%                 | 63<br>5%                 |
| A fair amount                       | 505<br>44%               | 348<br>44%               | 59<br>43%               | 99<br>42%                | 373<br>61%               | 132<br>24%               | 337<br>55%               | 28<br>20%                | 113<br>63%               | 393<br>40%               | 151<br>47%                | 344<br>43%               | 288<br>56%               | 217<br>34%               | 492<br>43%               |
| Not very much                       | 464<br>40%               | 296<br>38%               | 61<br>45%               | 107<br>46%               | 162<br>26%               | 301<br>56%               | 198<br>32%               | 61<br>44%                | 24<br>14%                | 439<br>45%               | 120<br>37%                | 326<br>41%               | 153<br>30%               | 311<br>48%               | 468<br>40%               |
| Nothing at all                      | 110<br>9%                | 81<br>10%                | 12<br>9%                | 17<br>7%                 | 8<br>1%                  | 98<br>18%                | 31<br>5%                 | 45<br>32%                | 1<br>1%                  | 108<br>11%               | 29<br>9%                  | 69<br>9%                 | 24<br>5%                 | 86<br>13%                | 122<br>11%               |
| Don't know                          | 7<br>1%                  | 7<br>1%                  | -                       | -                        | 2<br>*                   | 4<br>1%                  | 2<br>*                   | 3<br>2%                  | -                        | 7<br>1%                  | 2<br>1%                   | 3<br>*                   | *                        | 7<br>1%                  | 11<br>1%                 |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>575</b><br><b>50%</b> | <b>400</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>63</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>111</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>439</b><br><b>72%</b> | <b>136</b><br><b>25%</b> | <b>388</b><br><b>63%</b> | <b>31</b><br><b>22%</b>  | <b>154</b><br><b>86%</b> | <b>421</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>170</b><br><b>53%</b>  | <b>395</b><br><b>50%</b> | <b>334</b><br><b>65%</b> | <b>241</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>555</b><br><b>48%</b> |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>574</b><br><b>50%</b> | <b>377</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>73</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>124</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>170</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>399</b><br><b>74%</b> | <b>229</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>106</b><br><b>76%</b> | <b>26</b><br><b>14%</b>  | <b>548</b><br><b>56%</b> | <b>149</b><br><b>46%</b>  | <b>395</b><br><b>50%</b> | <b>176</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>397</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>590</b><br><b>51%</b> |

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Table 79

**Q.11b How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...**

**- The role of MPs -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     | Total                    | Quiz score               |                          |                          | Satisfaction with local MP |                         | Satisfaction with MPs in general |                          | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |                          | Use of internet          |                          | Unwtd total              |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                     |                          | Scored 0-3               | Scored 4-6               | Scored 7-9               | Satisfied                  | Dissatisfied            | Satisfied                        | Dissatisfied             | Agree                                  | Disagree                 | Use internet             | Do not use internet      |                          |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156                     | 210                      | 463                      | 483                      | 459                        | 183                     | 349                              | 502                      | 438                                    | 450                      | 762                      | 394                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total                      | 1156                     | 187                      | 470                      | 499                      | 444                        | 190                     | 336                              | 515                      | 427                                    | 474                      | 826                      | 330                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>801</b>               | <b>150</b>               | <b>310</b>               | <b>345</b>               | <b>324</b>                 | <b>135</b>              | <b>264</b>                       | <b>330</b>               | <b>327</b>                             | <b>302</b>               | <b>540</b>               | <b>269</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| A great deal                        | 70<br>6%                 | 1<br>*                   | 6<br>1%                  | 64<br>13%                | 29<br>7%                   | 21<br>11%               | 34<br>10%                        | 23<br>4%                 | 32<br>7%                               | 20<br>4%                 | 60<br>7%                 | 10<br>3%                 | 63<br>5%                 |
| A fair amount                       | 505<br>44%               | 35<br>19%                | 170<br>36%               | 300<br>60%               | 237<br>53%                 | 73<br>39%               | 173<br>52%                       | 208<br>40%               | 217<br>51%                             | 189<br>40%               | 368<br>44%               | 138<br>42%               | 492<br>43%               |
| Not very much                       | 464<br>40%               | 90<br>48%                | 251<br>53%               | 123<br>25%               | 161<br>36%                 | 66<br>35%               | 113<br>34%                       | 230<br>45%               | 148<br>35%                             | 215<br>45%               | 330<br>40%               | 134<br>41%               | 468<br>40%               |
| Nothing at all                      | 110<br>9%                | 57<br>30%                | 40<br>9%                 | 13<br>3%                 | 15<br>3%                   | 29<br>15%               | 16<br>5%                         | 52<br>10%                | 26<br>6%                               | 50<br>10%                | 65<br>8%                 | 45<br>14%                | 122<br>11%               |
| Don't know                          | 7<br>1%                  | 4<br>2%                  | 3<br>1%                  | -                        | 1<br>*                     | -                       | *<br>*                           | 2<br>*                   | 4<br>1%                                | *<br>*                   | 4<br>*                   | 4<br>1%                  | 11<br>1%                 |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>575</b><br><b>50%</b> | <b>36</b><br><b>19%</b>  | <b>176</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>364</b><br><b>73%</b> | <b>266</b><br><b>60%</b>   | <b>94</b><br><b>50%</b> | <b>207</b><br><b>62%</b>         | <b>230</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>249</b><br><b>58%</b>               | <b>209</b><br><b>44%</b> | <b>428</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>147</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>555</b><br><b>48%</b> |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>574</b><br><b>50%</b> | <b>147</b><br><b>78%</b> | <b>291</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>136</b><br><b>27%</b> | <b>177</b><br><b>40%</b>   | <b>96</b><br><b>50%</b> | <b>129</b><br><b>38%</b>         | <b>282</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>174</b><br><b>41%</b>               | <b>265</b><br><b>56%</b> | <b>395</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>179</b><br><b>54%</b> | <b>590</b><br><b>51%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
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Table 80

**Q.11b How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...**

**- The role of MPs -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |             |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                     | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |             |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156                  | 163                      | 351                     | 386         | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146             | 228                   | 62              | 93                     | 287               | 102         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                      | 1156                  | 175                      | 373                     | 396         | 387                   | 116                | 157                   | 159             | 191                   | 66              | 92                     | 277               | 99          | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>801</b>            | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>              | <b>263</b>  | <b>290</b>            | <b>72</b>          | <b>101</b>            | <b>92</b>       | <b>160</b>            | <b>49</b>       | <b>66</b>              | <b>209</b>        | <b>63</b>   | <b>1156</b> |
| A great deal                        | 70<br>6%              | 13<br>7%                 | 27<br>7%                | 28<br>7%    | 15<br>4%              | 28<br>25%          | 18<br>11%             | 9<br>6%         | 5<br>3%               | 4<br>6%         | 1<br>2%                | 4<br>2%           | -           | 63<br>5%    |
| A fair amount                       | 505<br>44%            | 84<br>48%                | 179<br>48%              | 165<br>42%  | 162<br>42%            | 70<br>61%          | 106<br>68%            | 89<br>56%       | 75<br>39%             | 35<br>53%       | 45<br>49%              | 77<br>28%         | 8<br>9%     | 492<br>43%  |
| Not very much                       | 464<br>40%            | 66<br>38%                | 136<br>36%              | 153<br>39%  | 175<br>45%            | 17<br>15%          | 31<br>20%             | 58<br>36%       | 97<br>51%             | 27<br>41%       | 38<br>41%              | 160<br>58%        | 36<br>36%   | 468<br>40%  |
| Nothing at all                      | 110<br>9%             | 12<br>7%                 | 30<br>8%                | 47<br>12%   | 32<br>8%              | -                  | 1<br>1%               | 4<br>2%         | 14<br>7%              | -               | 8<br>8%                | 34<br>12%         | 49<br>50%   | 122<br>11%  |
| Don't know                          | 7<br>1%               | *<br>*                   | 1<br>*                  | 3<br>1%     | 3<br>1%               | -                  | -                     | -               | 1<br>1%               | -               | -                      | 1<br>*            | 5<br>5%     | 11<br>1%    |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>575</b>            | <b>97</b>                | <b>206</b>              | <b>193</b>  | <b>176</b>            | <b>98</b>          | <b>124</b>            | <b>98</b>       | <b>80</b>             | <b>39</b>       | <b>47</b>              | <b>81</b>         | <b>8</b>    | <b>555</b>  |
|                                     | 50%                   | 55%                      | 55%                     | 49%         | 46%                   | 85%                | 79%                   | 61%             | 42%                   | 59%             | 51%                    | 29%               | 9%          | 48%         |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>574</b>            | <b>78</b>                | <b>166</b>              | <b>200</b>  | <b>207</b>            | <b>17</b>          | <b>33</b>             | <b>61</b>       | <b>110</b>            | <b>27</b>       | <b>45</b>              | <b>194</b>        | <b>85</b>   | <b>590</b>  |
|                                     | 50%                   | 44%                      | 45%                     | 51%         | 54%                   | 15%                | 21%                   | 39%             | 58%                   | 41%             | 49%                    | 70%               | 86%         | 51%         |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 81

**Q.11b How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...**

**- The role of MPs -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     |                |                   | <b>Q.19 The Westminster Parliament ...holds government to account</b> |                   |                            |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|---|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                                     | Effective Base | Total             | Strongly agree  | Tend to agree     | Neither agree nor disagree | Tend to disagree  | Strongly disagree | Don't know        | Agree             | Disagree          | Net agree         |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156           | 1156              | 45  | 412               | 241                        | 223               | 66                | 169               | 457               | 289               | 168               |
| Weighted total                      | 801            | 1156              | 41  | 412               | 234                        | 249               | 63                | 158               | 453               | 312               | 141               |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>1668</b>    | <b>801</b>        | <b>31</b>   | <b>292</b>        | <b>167</b>                 | <b>150</b>        | <b>48</b>         | <b>117</b>        | <b>323</b>        | <b>197</b>        | <b>126</b>        |
| A great deal                        | 48             | 70<br>6%          | 1<br>3%   | 31<br>8%          | 6<br>3%                    | 22<br>9%          | 8<br>13%          | 1<br>*            | 33<br>7%          | 30<br>10%         | 2<br>2%           |
| A fair amount                       | 353            | 505<br>44%        | 25<br>62%   | 225<br>55%        | 90<br>39%                  | 111<br>45%        | 25<br>40%         | 29<br>18%         | 250<br>55%        | 137<br>44%        | 113<br>80%        |
| Not very much                       | 312            | 464<br>40%        | 12<br>30%   | 138<br>33%        | 116<br>49%                 | 97<br>39%         | 25<br>40%         | 76<br>48%         | 150<br>33%        | 122<br>39%        | 27<br>19%         |
| Nothing at all                      | 82             | 110<br>9%         | 2<br>5%   | 18<br>4%          | 22<br>9%                   | 18<br>7%          | 4<br>7%           | 46<br>29%         | 20<br>4%          | 22<br>7%          | -2<br>-2%         |
| Don't know                          | 8              | 7<br>1%           | -   | *                 | *                          | -                 | -                 | 7<br>4%           | *                 | -                 | *                 |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>401</b>     | <b>575</b><br>50% | <b>27</b><br>65%  | <b>256</b><br>62% | <b>96</b><br>41%           | <b>133</b><br>54% | <b>34</b><br>53%  | <b>29</b><br>19%  | <b>283</b><br>62% | <b>167</b><br>54% | <b>116</b><br>82% |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>393</b>     | <b>574</b><br>50% | <b>14</b><br>35%  | <b>155</b><br>38% | <b>137</b><br>59%          | <b>115</b><br>46% | <b>29</b><br>47%  | <b>122</b><br>77% | <b>170</b><br>37% | <b>145</b><br>46% | <b>25</b><br>18%  |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 82

**Q.11b How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...**

**- The role of MPs -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     |                |                   | <b>Q.19 The Westminster Parliament ...is welcoming to the public</b> |                   |                            |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   | Net agree          |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|--|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
|                                     | Effective Base | Total             | Strongly agree   | Tend to agree     | Neither agree nor disagree | Tend to disagree  | Strongly disagree | Don't know        | Agree             | Disagree          |                    |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156           | 1156              | 24   | 291               | 315                        | 257               | 91                | 178               | 315               | 348               | -33                |
| Weighted total                      | 801            | 1156              | 18   | 294               | 320                        | 271               | 86                | 169               | 311               | 356               | -45                |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>1668</b>    | <b>801</b>        | <b>20</b>  | <b>200</b>        | <b>218</b>                 | <b>183</b>        | <b>68</b>         | <b>116</b>        | <b>217</b>        | <b>249</b>        | <b>-32</b>         |
| A great deal                        | 48             | 70<br>6%          | -  | 25<br>9%          | 17<br>5%                   | 15<br>6%          | 10<br>12%         | 2<br>1%           | 25<br>8%          | 25<br>7%          | *                  |
| A fair amount                       | 353            | 505<br>44%        | 13<br>72%  | 146<br>50%        | 145<br>45%                 | 121<br>45%        | 24<br>28%         | 56<br>33%         | 158<br>51%        | 146<br>41%        | 13<br>-28%         |
| Not very much                       | 312            | 464<br>40%        | 2<br>13%   | 108<br>37%        | 130<br>41%                 | 112<br>41%        | 43<br>50%         | 69<br>41%         | 110<br>35%        | 155<br>43%        | -45<br>100%        |
| Nothing at all                      | 82             | 110<br>9%         | 2<br>12%   | 15<br>5%          | 25<br>8%                   | 22<br>8%          | 7<br>8%           | 39<br>23%         | 17<br>6%          | 29<br>8%          | -11<br>26%         |
| Don't know                          | 8              | 7<br>1%           | *  | -                 | 3<br>1%                    | -                 | 1<br>2%           | 3<br>2%           | *                 | 1<br>*            | -1<br>2%           |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>401</b>     | <b>575</b><br>50% | <b>13</b><br>72%   | <b>171</b><br>58% | <b>162</b><br>51%          | <b>137</b><br>50% | <b>35</b><br>40%  | <b>58</b><br>35%  | <b>184</b><br>59% | <b>171</b><br>48% | <b>12</b><br>-28%  |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>393</b>     | <b>574</b><br>50% | <b>4</b><br>25%  | <b>123</b><br>42% | <b>155</b><br>48%          | <b>134</b><br>50% | <b>50</b><br>58%  | <b>108</b><br>64% | <b>127</b><br>41% | <b>184</b><br>52% | <b>-56</b><br>126% |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 83

**Q.11b How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...**

**- The role of MPs -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     |                |                   | <b>Q.19 The Westminster Parliament ...is working for you and me</b> |                   |                            |                   |                   |                  |                   |                   |                    |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|---|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
|                                     | Effective Base | Total             | Strongly agree  | Tend to agree     | Neither agree nor disagree | Tend to disagree  | Strongly disagree | Don't know       | Agree             | Disagree          | Net agree          |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156           | 1156              | 36  | 417               | 252                        | 259               | 123               | 69               | 453               | 382               | 71                 |
| Weighted total                      | 801            | 1156              | 30  | 410               | 259                        | 289               | 110               | 59               | 440               | 398               | 42                 |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>1668</b>    | <b>801</b>        | <b>31</b>   | <b>297</b>        | <b>170</b>                 | <b>178</b>        | <b>89</b>         | <b>47</b>        | <b>325</b>        | <b>263</b>        | <b>62</b>          |
| A great deal                        | 48             | 70<br>6%          | 4<br>15%  | 34<br>8%          | 8<br>3%                    | 16<br>6%          | 7<br>7%           | -                | 38<br>9%          | 24<br>6%          | 15<br>35%          |
| A fair amount                       | 353            | 505<br>44%        | 15<br>49%   | 209<br>51%        | 111<br>43%                 | 116<br>40%        | 41<br>38%         | 14<br>24%        | 224<br>51%        | 157<br>39%        | 67<br>159%         |
| Not very much                       | 312            | 464<br>40%        | 9<br>30%  | 147<br>36%        | 113<br>44%                 | 130<br>45%        | 47<br>43%         | 18<br>31%        | 156<br>35%        | 177<br>44%        | -22<br>-52%        |
| Nothing at all                      | 82             | 110<br>9%         | 1<br>4%   | 21<br>5%          | 26<br>10%                  | 24<br>8%          | 14<br>13%         | 24<br>40%        | 22<br>5%          | 38<br>10%         | -17<br>-40%        |
| Don't know                          | 8              | 7<br>1%           | 1<br>3%   | *                 | 1<br>*                     | 2<br>1%           | *                 | 3<br>5%          | 1<br>*            | 2<br>1%           | -1<br>-3%          |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>401</b>     | <b>575</b><br>50% | <b>19</b><br>64%  | <b>242</b><br>59% | <b>119</b><br>46%          | <b>132</b><br>46% | <b>48</b><br>44%  | <b>14</b><br>24% | <b>262</b><br>59% | <b>181</b><br>45% | <b>81</b><br>194%  |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>393</b>     | <b>574</b><br>50% | <b>10</b><br>33%  | <b>167</b><br>41% | <b>139</b><br>54%          | <b>155</b><br>54% | <b>61</b><br>55%  | <b>42</b><br>72% | <b>177</b><br>40% | <b>216</b><br>54% | <b>-38</b><br>-91% |

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Table 84

**Q.11b How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...**

**- The role of MPs -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     |                |                   | <b>Q.19 The Westminster Parliament ...is worthwhile</b> |                   |                            |                  |                   |                  |                   |                   |                   |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|---|-------------------|----------------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                                     | Effective Base | Total             | Strongly agree  | Tend to agree     | Neither agree nor disagree | Tend to disagree | Strongly disagree | Don't know       | Agree             | Disagree          | Net agree         |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156           | 1156              | 127   | 556               | 228                        | 113              | 60                | 72               | 683               | 173               | 510               |
| Weighted total                      | 801            | 1156              | 130   | 571               | 232                        | 105              | 53                | 65               | 701               | 158               | 543               |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>1668</b>    | <b>801</b>        | <b>98</b>   | <b>386</b>        | <b>154</b>                 | <b>81</b>        | <b>39</b>         | <b>45</b>        | <b>483</b>        | <b>121</b>        | <b>363</b>        |
| A great deal                        | 48             | 70<br>6%          | 21<br>17%   | 36<br>6%          | 5<br>2%                    | 3<br>3%          | 2<br>5%           | 2<br>3%          | 58<br>8%          | 6<br>4%           | 52<br>10%         |
| A fair amount                       | 353            | 505<br>44%        | 75<br>58%   | 307<br>54%        | 66<br>29%                  | 33<br>32%        | 11<br>21%         | 12<br>19%        | 382<br>55%        | 44<br>28%         | 338<br>62%        |
| Not very much                       | 312            | 464<br>40%        | 29<br>22%   | 204<br>36%        | 129<br>56%                 | 54<br>52%        | 32<br>60%         | 15<br>23%        | 233<br>33%        | 86<br>55%         | 147<br>27%        |
| Nothing at all                      | 82             | 110<br>9%         | 4<br>3%   | 23<br>4%          | 31<br>13%                  | 14<br>13%        | 7<br>13%          | 30<br>47%        | 27<br>4%          | 21<br>13%         | 6<br>1%           |
| Don't know                          | 8              | 7<br>1%           | -   | *                 | 1<br>1%                    | -                | *                 | 5<br>8%          | *                 | *                 | *                 |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>401</b>     | <b>575</b><br>50% | <b>97</b><br>74%  | <b>343</b><br>60% | <b>71</b><br>31%           | <b>37</b><br>35% | <b>14</b><br>25%  | <b>14</b><br>22% | <b>440</b><br>63% | <b>50</b><br>32%  | <b>390</b><br>72% |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>393</b>     | <b>574</b><br>50% | <b>33</b><br>26%  | <b>227</b><br>40% | <b>160</b><br>69%          | <b>68</b><br>65% | <b>39</b><br>74%  | <b>45</b><br>70% | <b>261</b><br>37% | <b>107</b><br>68% | <b>153</b><br>28% |

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Table 85

**Q.11b How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...**

**- The Westminster Parliament -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     | Gender     |            | Age        |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |            |                       | Unwtd total |                                |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|------------|-----------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|
|                                     | Total      | Male       | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34      | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34      | 35-54      | 55+          | AB         | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands      | Single     | Married /Co-hab iting |             | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156       | 552        | 604        | 138        | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135        | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290        | 669                   | 197         | 1156                           |
| Weighted total                      | 1156       | 561        | 595        | 173        | 183        | 216        | 186        | 169        | 117        | 111        | 356        | 402        | 398          | 310        | 333        | 241        | 272        | 642        | 514        | 387        | 411        | 358            | 306        | 681                   | 169         | 1156                           |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>801</b> | <b>391</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>98</b>  | <b>145</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b>  | <b>236</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>222</b> | <b>401</b> | <b>413</b> | <b>312</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b> | <b>463</b>            | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b>                    |
| A great deal                        | 50<br>4%   | 34<br>6%   | 15<br>3%   | 4<br>2%    | 6<br>3%    | 8<br>4%    | 9<br>5%    | 14<br>8%   | 4<br>4%    | 4<br>3%    | 10<br>3%   | 17<br>4%   | 22<br>6%     | 19<br>6%   | 12<br>4%   | 8<br>3%    | 11<br>4%   | 31<br>5%   | 18<br>4%   | 11<br>3%   | 22<br>5%   | 16<br>4%       | 5<br>2%    | 39<br>6%              | 6<br>3%     | 45<br>4%                       |
| A fair amount                       | 383<br>33% | 217<br>39% | 167<br>28% | 35<br>20%  | 49<br>27%  | 65<br>30%  | 63<br>34%  | 67<br>40%  | 56<br>48%  | 48<br>43%  | 84<br>24%  | 128<br>32% | 171<br>43%   | 158<br>51% | 124<br>37% | 57<br>24%  | 45<br>16%  | 281<br>44% | 102<br>20% | 110<br>28% | 165<br>40% | 109<br>30%     | 81<br>27%  | 241<br>35%            | 61<br>36%   | 368<br>32%                     |
| Not very much                       | 542<br>47% | 234<br>42% | 308<br>52% | 87<br>50%  | 92<br>50%  | 101<br>47% | 92<br>50%  | 70<br>41%  | 49<br>42%  | 50<br>45%  | 179<br>50% | 194<br>48% | 169<br>42%   | 112<br>36% | 147<br>44% | 128<br>53% | 154<br>57% | 259<br>40% | 282<br>55% | 194<br>50% | 176<br>43% | 172<br>48%     | 148<br>48% | 314<br>46%            | 79<br>47%   | 538<br>47%                     |
| Nothing at all                      | 169<br>15% | 69<br>12%  | 100<br>17% | 44<br>26%  | 34<br>18%  | 38<br>18%  | 21<br>11%  | 16<br>10%  | 7<br>6%    | 7<br>7%    | 78<br>22%  | 60<br>15%  | 31<br>8%     | 20<br>6%   | 49<br>15%  | 45<br>19%  | 56<br>20%  | 69<br>11%  | 101<br>20% | 67<br>17%  | 45<br>11%  | 57<br>16%      | 69<br>22%  | 80<br>12%             | 20<br>12%   | 187<br>16%                     |
| Don't know                          | 12<br>1%   | 7<br>1%    | 5<br>1%    | 2<br>1%    | 2<br>1%    | 3<br>2%    | -<br>-     | 2<br>1%    | 1<br>1%    | 2<br>2%    | 4<br>1%    | 3<br>1%    | 5<br>1%      | 1<br>*     | 1<br>*     | 3<br>1%    | 7<br>3%    | 2<br>*     | 10<br>2%   | 5<br>1%    | 3<br>1%    | 4<br>1%        | 3<br>1%    | 7<br>1%               | 3<br>2%     | 18<br>2%                       |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>433</b> | <b>251</b> | <b>182</b> | <b>39</b>  | <b>55</b>  | <b>73</b>  | <b>72</b>  | <b>81</b>  | <b>60</b>  | <b>52</b>  | <b>95</b>  | <b>145</b> | <b>193</b>   | <b>177</b> | <b>136</b> | <b>65</b>  | <b>56</b>  | <b>312</b> | <b>120</b> | <b>121</b> | <b>187</b> | <b>125</b>     | <b>86</b>  | <b>280</b>            | <b>67</b>   | <b>413</b>                     |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>711</b> | <b>303</b> | <b>408</b> | <b>131</b> | <b>126</b> | <b>140</b> | <b>113</b> | <b>86</b>  | <b>56</b>  | <b>57</b>  | <b>258</b> | <b>253</b> | <b>200</b>   | <b>132</b> | <b>196</b> | <b>173</b> | <b>210</b> | <b>328</b> | <b>383</b> | <b>261</b> | <b>221</b> | <b>229</b>     | <b>217</b> | <b>395</b>            | <b>99</b>   | <b>725</b>                     |
|                                     | <b>61%</b> | <b>54%</b> | <b>69%</b> | <b>76%</b> | <b>69%</b> | <b>65%</b> | <b>61%</b> | <b>51%</b> | <b>48%</b> | <b>52%</b> | <b>72%</b> | <b>63%</b> | <b>50%</b>   | <b>43%</b> | <b>59%</b> | <b>72%</b> | <b>77%</b> | <b>51%</b> | <b>75%</b> | <b>67%</b> | <b>54%</b> | <b>64%</b>     | <b>71%</b> | <b>58%</b>            | <b>59%</b>  | <b>63%</b>                     |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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Table 86

**Q.11b How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...**

**- The Westminster Parliament -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     | Working status           |                          |                         | Children in household    |                          | Newspaper readership     |                          |                          | Education                |                          |                              |                          | Ethnicity                |                          | GO Region               |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                          |                         |                         |                         | Unwtd total             |                         |                          |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                     | Full time                | Part time                | Not working             | Yes                      | No                       | Quality                  | Popular                  | None                     | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12   | A-Level or equiv.        | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals.         | White                    | BME                      | South East              | Eastern                 | London                  | South West              | West Midlands           | East Midlands           | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West              | North East              | Wales                   |                         | Scotland                |                          |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156                     | 425                      | 109                     | 622                      | 360                      | 234                      | 201                      | 445                      | 548                      | 318                      | 183                          | 258                      | 274                      | 1007                     | 146                     | 116                     | 102                     | 121                     | 102                     | 109                     | 71                       | 91                      | 122                     | 68                      | 97                      | 157                     | 1156                     |
| Weighted total                      | 1156                     | 520                      | 109                     | 527                      | 372                      | 287                      | 253                      | 423                      | 522                      | 320                      | 213                          | 287                      | 219                      | 1054                     | 100                     | 162                     | 110                     | 147                     | 103                     | 104                     | 87                       | 101                     | 134                     | 51                      | 58                      | 102                     | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>801</b>               | <b>306</b>               | <b>78</b>               | <b>438</b>               | <b>245</b>               | <b>163</b>               | <b>143</b>               | <b>313</b>               | <b>382</b>               | <b>224</b>               | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>               | <b>201</b>               | <b>703</b>               | <b>115</b>              | <b>90</b>               | <b>72</b>               | <b>86</b>               | <b>79</b>               | <b>75</b>               | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>               | <b>90</b>               | <b>51</b>               | <b>76</b>               | <b>118</b>              | <b>1156</b>              |
| A great deal                        | 50<br>4%                 | 26<br>5%                 | 4<br>3%                 | 20<br>4%                 | 10<br>3%                 | 6<br>2%                  | 23<br>9%                 | 15<br>4%                 | 17<br>3%                 | 7<br>2%                  | 6<br>3%                      | 26<br>9%                 | 5<br>3%                  | 48<br>5%                 | 2<br>2%                 | 12<br>7%                | 9<br>8%                 | 9<br>6%                 | 2<br>2%                 | 2<br>2%                 | 1<br>1%                  | 3<br>3%                 | 1<br>1%                 | 4<br>8%                 | 3<br>6%                 | 3<br>3%                 | 45<br>4%                 |
| A fair amount                       | 383<br>33%               | 181<br>35%               | 32<br>30%               | 170<br>32%               | 103<br>28%               | 83<br>29%                | 148<br>59%               | 115<br>27%               | 141<br>27%               | 69<br>22%                | 67<br>31%                    | 151<br>53%               | 50<br>23%                | 359<br>34%               | 24<br>24%               | 64<br>40%               | 47<br>43%               | 60<br>41%               | 40<br>39%               | 24<br>23%               | 21<br>24%                | 32<br>31%               | 38<br>29%               | 11<br>21%               | 17<br>29%               | 29<br>28%               | 368<br>32%               |
| Not very much                       | 542<br>47%               | 244<br>47%               | 46<br>43%               | 251<br>48%               | 188<br>51%               | 142<br>49%               | 73<br>29%                | 228<br>54%               | 251<br>48%               | 178<br>56%               | 107<br>50%                   | 90<br>31%                | 111<br>50%               | 495<br>47%               | 45<br>45%               | 72<br>45%               | 40<br>36%               | 62<br>42%               | 42<br>41%               | 59<br>57%               | 46<br>54%                | 44<br>43%               | 70<br>53%               | 24<br>47%               | 26<br>45%               | 56<br>55%               | 538<br>47%               |
| Nothing at all                      | 169<br>15%               | 68<br>13%                | 26<br>24%               | 76<br>14%                | 66<br>18%                | 50<br>17%                | 8<br>3%                  | 59<br>14%                | 106<br>20%               | 63<br>20%                | 31<br>15%                    | 18<br>6%                 | 45<br>21%                | 147<br>14%               | 23<br>23%               | 12<br>8%                | 14<br>12%               | 13<br>9%                | 19<br>19%               | 17<br>17%               | 15<br>17%                | 21<br>21%               | 21<br>16%               | 12<br>24%               | 11<br>19%               | 13<br>13%               | 187<br>16%               |
| Don't know                          | 12<br>1%                 | 2<br>*                   | 1<br>1%                 | 9<br>2%                  | 4<br>1%                  | 7<br>2%                  | 1<br>*                   | 5<br>1%                  | 7<br>1%                  | 2<br>1%                  | 2<br>1%                      | 1<br>*                   | 8<br>3%                  | 6<br>1%                  | 7<br>7%                 | *<br>*                  | -<br>-                  | 2<br>1%                 | -<br>-                  | 1<br>1%                 | 4<br>4%                  | 1<br>1%                 | 3<br>3%                 | -<br>-                  | -<br>-                  | 1<br>1%                 | 18<br>2%                 |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>433</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>206</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>36</b><br><b>33%</b> | <b>191</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>113</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>89</b><br><b>31%</b>  | <b>171</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>130</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>157</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>77</b><br><b>24%</b>  | <b>73</b><br><b>34%</b>      | <b>178</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>56</b><br><b>25%</b>  | <b>407</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>26</b><br><b>26%</b> | <b>77</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>56</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>69</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>42</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>26</b><br><b>25%</b> | <b>22</b><br><b>25%</b>  | <b>35</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>39</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>15</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>20</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>32</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>413</b><br><b>36%</b> |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>711</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>311</b><br><b>60%</b> | <b>72</b><br><b>66%</b> | <b>327</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>255</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>192</b><br><b>67%</b> | <b>80</b><br><b>32%</b>  | <b>287</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>357</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>242</b><br><b>76%</b> | <b>138</b><br><b>65%</b>     | <b>108</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>156</b><br><b>71%</b> | <b>642</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>67</b><br><b>67%</b> | <b>85</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>53</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>76</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>61</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>77</b><br><b>74%</b> | <b>61</b><br><b>71%</b>  | <b>65</b><br><b>64%</b> | <b>91</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>36</b><br><b>71%</b> | <b>37</b><br><b>65%</b> | <b>69</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>725</b><br><b>63%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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Table 87

**Q.11b How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...**

**- The Westminster Parliament -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     | Total                    | Urbanity                 |                         |                          | Interest in politics     |                          | Likelihood to vote       |                          | Political activism       |                          | Opinion on present system |                          | Knew local MP            |                          | Unwtd total              |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                     |                          | Urban                    | Rural                   | Mixed                    | Interested               | Not interested           | Certain to               | Certain not to           | Activist                 | Non-activist             | Works well                | Needs improvement        | Yes                      | No                       |                          |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156                     | 773                      | 145                     | 238                      | 580                      | 569                      | 627                      | 143                      | 160                      | 996                      | 327                       | 783                      | 495                      | 661                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total                      | 1156                     | 784                      | 136                     | 235                      | 611                      | 539                      | 619                      | 140                      | 180                      | 976                      | 322                       | 793                      | 511                      | 645                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b>               | <b>97</b>               | <b>170</b>               | <b>404</b>               | <b>394</b>               | <b>430</b>               | <b>96</b>                | <b>118</b>               | <b>684</b>               | <b>232</b>                | <b>543</b>               | <b>339</b>               | <b>464</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| A great deal                        | 50<br>4%                 | 42<br>5%                 | 2<br>1%                 | 6<br>3%                  | 47<br>8%                 | 3<br>1%                  | 37<br>6%                 | 2<br>2%                  | 27<br>15%                | 22<br>2%                 | 14<br>4%                  | 36<br>5%                 | 32<br>6%                 | 18<br>3%                 | 45<br>4%                 |
| A fair amount                       | 383<br>33%               | 261<br>33%               | 48<br>35%               | 74<br>31%                | 316<br>52%               | 66<br>12%                | 270<br>44%               | 19<br>14%                | 97<br>54%                | 287<br>29%               | 114<br>36%                | 262<br>33%               | 226<br>44%               | 157<br>24%               | 368<br>32%               |
| Not very much                       | 542<br>47%               | 351<br>45%               | 65<br>48%               | 125<br>53%               | 222<br>36%               | 318<br>59%               | 250<br>40%               | 63<br>45%                | 53<br>30%                | 488<br>50%               | 148<br>46%                | 378<br>48%               | 214<br>42%               | 328<br>51%               | 538<br>47%               |
| Nothing at all                      | 169<br>15%               | 117<br>15%               | 21<br>16%               | 31<br>13%                | 24<br>4%                 | 143<br>26%               | 57<br>9%                 | 54<br>38%                | 2<br>1%                  | 167<br>17%               | 43<br>13%                 | 115<br>14%               | 37<br>7%                 | 132<br>21%               | 187<br>16%               |
| Don't know                          | 12<br>1%                 | 12<br>2%                 | -                       | -                        | 3<br>*                   | 8<br>2%                  | 4<br>1%                  | 2<br>1%                  | -                        | 12<br>1%                 | 3<br>1%                   | 3<br>*                   | 2<br>*                   | 10<br>2%                 | 18<br>2%                 |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>433</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>303</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>50</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>80</b><br><b>34%</b>  | <b>363</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>69</b><br><b>13%</b>  | <b>307</b><br><b>50%</b> | <b>21</b><br><b>15%</b>  | <b>124</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>309</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>128</b><br><b>40%</b>  | <b>298</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>258</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>175</b><br><b>27%</b> | <b>413</b><br><b>36%</b> |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>711</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>469</b><br><b>60%</b> | <b>86</b><br><b>63%</b> | <b>156</b><br><b>66%</b> | <b>245</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>461</b><br><b>86%</b> | <b>307</b><br><b>50%</b> | <b>117</b><br><b>84%</b> | <b>55</b><br><b>31%</b>  | <b>655</b><br><b>67%</b> | <b>191</b><br><b>59%</b>  | <b>492</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>250</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>460</b><br><b>71%</b> | <b>725</b><br><b>63%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 88

**Q.11b How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...**

**- The Westminster Parliament -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     | Total                    | Quiz score               |                          |                          | Satisfaction with local MP |                          | Satisfaction with MPs in general |                          | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |                          | Use of internet          |                          | Unwtd total              |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                     |                          | Scored 0-3               | Scored 4-6               | Scored 7-9               | Satisfied                  | Dissatisfied             | Satisfied                        | Dissatisfied             | Agree                                  | Disagree                 | Use internet             | Do not use internet      |                          |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156                     | 210                      | 463                      | 483                      | 459                        | 183                      | 349                              | 502                      | 438                                    | 450                      | 762                      | 394                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total                      | 1156                     | 187                      | 470                      | 499                      | 444                        | 190                      | 336                              | 515                      | 427                                    | 474                      | 826                      | 330                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>801</b>               | <b>150</b>               | <b>310</b>               | <b>345</b>               | <b>324</b>                 | <b>135</b>               | <b>264</b>                       | <b>330</b>               | <b>327</b>                             | <b>302</b>               | <b>540</b>               | <b>269</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| A great deal                        | 50<br>4%                 | 1<br>1%                  | 4<br>1%                  | 44<br>9%                 | 20<br>5%                   | 17<br>9%                 | 23<br>7%                         | 17<br>3%                 | 21<br>5%                               | 13<br>3%                 | 40<br>5%                 | 9<br>3%                  | 45<br>4%                 |
| A fair amount                       | 383<br>33%               | 15<br>8%                 | 119<br>25%               | 250<br>50%               | 175<br>39%                 | 57<br>30%                | 133<br>40%                       | 163<br>32%               | 183<br>43%                             | 140<br>30%               | 284<br>34%               | 99<br>30%                | 368<br>32%               |
| Not very much                       | 542<br>47%               | 92<br>49%                | 271<br>58%               | 178<br>36%               | 211<br>48%                 | 73<br>39%                | 144<br>43%                       | 248<br>48%               | 172<br>40%                             | 238<br>50%               | 388<br>47%               | 154<br>47%               | 538<br>47%               |
| Nothing at all                      | 169<br>15%               | 68<br>36%                | 74<br>16%                | 27<br>5%                 | 33<br>8%                   | 43<br>23%                | 31<br>9%                         | 84<br>16%                | 47<br>11%                              | 82<br>17%                | 111<br>13%               | 58<br>18%                | 187<br>16%               |
| Don't know                          | 12<br>1%                 | 11<br>6%                 | 1<br>*                   | -<br>-                   | 4<br>1%                    | *<br>1%                  | 4<br>1%                          | 2<br>*                   | 4<br>1%                                | *<br>*                   | 3<br>*                   | 10<br>3%                 | 18<br>2%                 |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>433</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>16</b><br><b>8%</b>   | <b>123</b><br><b>26%</b> | <b>294</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>195</b><br><b>44%</b>   | <b>73</b><br><b>39%</b>  | <b>156</b><br><b>47%</b>         | <b>180</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>204</b><br><b>48%</b>               | <b>153</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>325</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>108</b><br><b>33%</b> | <b>413</b><br><b>36%</b> |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>711</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>160</b><br><b>86%</b> | <b>345</b><br><b>73%</b> | <b>205</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>244</b><br><b>55%</b>   | <b>116</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>176</b><br><b>52%</b>         | <b>332</b><br><b>65%</b> | <b>219</b><br><b>51%</b>               | <b>320</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>499</b><br><b>60%</b> | <b>212</b><br><b>64%</b> | <b>725</b><br><b>63%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 89

**Q.11b How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...**

**- The Westminster Parliament -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |             |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                     | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |             |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156                  | 163                      | 351                     | 386         | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146             | 228                   | 62              | 93                     | 287               | 102         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                      | 1156                  | 175                      | 373                     | 396         | 387                   | 116                | 157                   | 159             | 191                   | 66              | 92                     | 277               | 99          | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>801</b>            | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>              | <b>263</b>  | <b>290</b>            | <b>72</b>          | <b>101</b>            | <b>92</b>       | <b>160</b>            | <b>49</b>       | <b>66</b>              | <b>209</b>        | <b>63</b>   | <b>1156</b> |
| A great deal                        | 50<br>4%              | 9<br>5%                  | 17<br>5%                | 21<br>5%    | 11<br>3%              | 19<br>16%          | 11<br>7%              | 6<br>4%         | 3<br>2%               | 4<br>6%         | 1<br>1%                | 5<br>2%           | -<br>-      | 45<br>4%    |
| A fair amount                       | 383<br>33%            | 66<br>38%                | 144<br>39%              | 126<br>32%  | 113<br>29%            | 68<br>59%          | 81<br>52%             | 72<br>45%       | 57<br>30%             | 22<br>33%       | 40<br>43%              | 42<br>15%         | 2<br>2%     | 368<br>32%  |
| Not very much                       | 542<br>47%            | 87<br>50%                | 173<br>46%              | 178<br>45%  | 191<br>49%            | 29<br>25%          | 62<br>39%             | 70<br>44%       | 103<br>54%            | 37<br>57%       | 34<br>37%              | 169<br>61%        | 38<br>38%   | 538<br>47%  |
| Nothing at all                      | 169<br>15%            | 12<br>7%                 | 38<br>10%               | 67<br>17%   | 64<br>17%             | -<br>-             | 2<br>2%               | 11<br>7%        | 23<br>12%             | 3<br>4%         | 17<br>19%              | 58<br>21%         | 55<br>56%   | 187<br>16%  |
| Don't know                          | 12<br>1%              | *<br>*                   | *<br>*                  | 5<br>1%     | 7<br>2%               | -<br>-             | -<br>-                | -<br>-          | 6<br>3%               | -<br>-          | *<br>*                 | 2<br>1%           | 4<br>4%     | 18<br>2%    |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>433</b>            | <b>75</b>                | <b>161</b>              | <b>147</b>  | <b>125</b>            | <b>87</b>          | <b>92</b>             | <b>78</b>       | <b>60</b>             | <b>26</b>       | <b>41</b>              | <b>47</b>         | <b>2</b>    | <b>413</b>  |
|                                     | 37%                   | 43%                      | 43%                     | 37%         | 32%                   | 75%                | 59%                   | 49%             | 31%                   | 39%             | 44%                    | 17%               | 2%          | 36%         |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>711</b>            | <b>100</b>               | <b>211</b>              | <b>244</b>  | <b>255</b>            | <b>29</b>          | <b>64</b>             | <b>81</b>       | <b>125</b>            | <b>40</b>       | <b>51</b>              | <b>227</b>        | <b>93</b>   | <b>725</b>  |
|                                     | 61%                   | 57%                      | 57%                     | 62%         | 66%                   | 25%                | 41%                   | 51%             | 66%                   | 61%             | 55%                    | 82%               | 94%         | 63%         |

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Table 90

**Q.11b How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...**

**- The Westminster Parliament -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     |                |                   | <b>Q.19 The Westminster Parliament ...holds government to account</b> |                   |                            |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                  |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|---|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|
|                                     | Effective Base | Total             | Strongly agree  | Tend to agree     | Neither agree nor disagree | Tend to disagree  | Strongly disagree | Don't know        | Agree             | Disagree          | Net agree        |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156           | 1156              | 45  | 412               | 241                        | 223               | 66                | 169               | 457               | 289               | 168              |
| Weighted total                      | 801            | 1156              | 41  | 412               | 234                        | 249               | 63                | 158               | 453               | 312               | 141              |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>1668</b>    | <b>801</b>        | <b>31</b>   | <b>292</b>        | <b>167</b>                 | <b>150</b>        | <b>48</b>         | <b>117</b>        | <b>323</b>        | <b>197</b>        | <b>126</b>       |
| A great deal                        | 33             | 50<br>4%          | 1<br>2%   | 23<br>6%          | 4<br>2%                    | 16<br>6%          | 6<br>10%          | -                 | 23<br>5%          | 22<br>7%          | 1<br>1%          |
| A fair amount                       | 258            | 383<br>33%        | 23<br>56%   | 175<br>42%        | 58<br>25%                  | 93<br>37%         | 26<br>42%         | 8<br>5%           | 198<br>44%        | 119<br>38%        | 79<br>56%        |
| Not very much                       | 366            | 542<br>47%        | 10<br>25%   | 178<br>43%        | 134<br>57%                 | 114<br>46%        | 20<br>32%         | 85<br>54%         | 188<br>42%        | 134<br>43%        | 54<br>38%        |
| Nothing at all                      | 136            | 169<br>15%        | 7<br>18%  | 34<br>8%          | 35<br>15%                  | 25<br>10%         | 11<br>17%         | 57<br>36%         | 41<br>9%          | 36<br>11%         | 6<br>4%          |
| Don't know                          | 12             | 12<br>1%          | -   | 2<br>*            | 2<br>1%                    | 1<br>*            | -                 | 7<br>5%           | 2<br>*            | 1<br>*            | 1<br>1%          |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>291</b>     | <b>433</b><br>37% | <b>23</b><br>57%  | <b>198</b><br>48% | <b>63</b><br>27%           | <b>109</b><br>44% | <b>32</b><br>51%  | <b>8</b><br>5%    | <b>221</b><br>49% | <b>141</b><br>45% | <b>80</b><br>57% |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>500</b>     | <b>711</b><br>61% | <b>18</b><br>43%  | <b>212</b><br>52% | <b>169</b><br>72%          | <b>139</b><br>56% | <b>31</b><br>49%  | <b>142</b><br>90% | <b>230</b><br>51% | <b>170</b><br>55% | <b>60</b><br>42% |

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Table 91

**Q.11b How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...**

**- The Westminster Parliament -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     |                |                   | <b>Q.19 The Westminster Parliament ...is welcoming to the public</b> |                   |                            |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                    |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|--|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
|                                     | Effective Base | Total             | Strongly agree   | Tend to agree     | Neither agree nor disagree | Tend to disagree  | Strongly disagree | Don't know        | Agree             | Disagree          | Net agree          |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156           | 1156              | 24   | 291               | 315                        | 257               | 91                | 178               | 315               | 348               | -33                |
| Weighted total                      | 801            | 1156              | 18   | 294               | 320                        | 271               | 86                | 169               | 311               | 356               | -45                |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>1668</b>    | <b>801</b>        | <b>20</b>  | <b>200</b>        | <b>218</b>                 | <b>183</b>        | <b>68</b>         | <b>116</b>        | <b>217</b>        | <b>249</b>        | <b>-32</b>         |
| A great deal                        | 33             | 50<br>4%          | -  | 19<br>6%          | 12<br>4%                   | 10<br>4%          | 8<br>9%           | 1<br>*            | 19<br>6%          | 18<br>5%          | 1<br>-3%           |
| A fair amount                       | 258            | 383<br>33%        | 9<br>51%   | 122<br>42%        | 102<br>32%                 | 98<br>36%         | 24<br>28%         | 29<br>17%         | 131<br>42%        | 122<br>34%        | 9<br>-21%          |
| Not very much                       | 366            | 542<br>47%        | 8<br>44%   | 122<br>42%        | 164<br>51%                 | 129<br>48%        | 34<br>40%         | 85<br>51%         | 130<br>42%        | 163<br>46%        | -33<br>75%         |
| Nothing at all                      | 136            | 169<br>15%        | 1<br>5%  | 28<br>10%         | 41<br>13%                  | 33<br>12%         | 19<br>22%         | 47<br>28%         | 29<br>9%          | 52<br>15%         | -23<br>51%         |
| Don't know                          | 12             | 12<br>1%          | -  | 2<br>1%           | 1<br>*                     | *<br>*            | 1<br>2%           | 7<br>4%           | 2<br>1%           | 2<br>*            | 1<br>-2%           |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>291</b>     | <b>433</b><br>37% | <b>9</b><br>51%  | <b>141</b><br>48% | <b>114</b><br>36%          | <b>108</b><br>40% | <b>32</b><br>37%  | <b>30</b><br>18%  | <b>150</b><br>48% | <b>139</b><br>39% | <b>11</b><br>-24%  |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>500</b>     | <b>711</b><br>61% | <b>9</b><br>49%  | <b>150</b><br>51% | <b>205</b><br>64%          | <b>162</b><br>60% | <b>53</b><br>62%  | <b>132</b><br>78% | <b>159</b><br>51% | <b>215</b><br>60% | <b>-56</b><br>126% |

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Table 92

**Q.11b How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...**

**- The Westminster Parliament -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     |                |                   | <b>Q.19 The Westminster Parliament ...is working for you and me</b> |                   |                            |                   |                   |                  |                   |                   |                    |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|---|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
|                                     | Effective Base | Total             | Strongly agree  | Tend to agree     | Neither agree nor disagree | Tend to disagree  | Strongly disagree | Don't know       | Agree             | Disagree          | Net agree          |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156           | 1156              | 36  | 417               | 252                        | 259               | 123               | 69               | 453               | 382               | 71                 |
| Weighted total                      | 801            | 1156              | 30  | 410               | 259                        | 289               | 110               | 59               | 440               | 398               | 42                 |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>1668</b>    | <b>801</b>        | <b>31</b>   | <b>297</b>        | <b>170</b>                 | <b>178</b>        | <b>89</b>         | <b>47</b>        | <b>325</b>        | <b>263</b>        | <b>62</b>          |
| A great deal                        | 33             | 50<br>4%          | -   | 29<br>7%          | 6<br>2%                    | 9<br>3%           | 5<br>5%           | -                | 29<br>7%          | 14<br>4%          | 15<br>36%          |
| A fair amount                       | 258            | 383<br>33%        | 16<br>54%   | 166<br>40%        | 71<br>27%                  | 98<br>34%         | 30<br>28%         | 2<br>3%          | 182<br>41%        | 128<br>32%        | 54<br>129%         |
| Not very much                       | 366            | 542<br>47%        | 12<br>38%   | 179<br>44%        | 142<br>55%                 | 142<br>49%        | 46<br>42%         | 21<br>36%        | 191<br>43%        | 188<br>47%        | 3<br>8%            |
| Nothing at all                      | 136            | 169<br>15%        | 2<br>5%   | 34<br>8%          | 37<br>14%                  | 39<br>14%         | 28<br>26%         | 30<br>51%        | 35<br>8%          | 68<br>17%         | -32<br>-78%        |
| Don't know                          | 12             | 12<br>1%          | 1<br>3%   | 2<br>*            | 3<br>1%                    | *<br>*            | *<br>*            | 6<br>10%         | 3<br>1%           | 1<br>*            | 2<br>4%            |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>291</b>     | <b>433</b><br>37% | <b>16</b><br>54%  | <b>195</b><br>48% | <b>77</b><br>30%           | <b>107</b><br>37% | <b>35</b><br>32%  | <b>2</b><br>3%   | <b>212</b><br>48% | <b>143</b><br>36% | <b>69</b><br>165%  |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>500</b>     | <b>711</b><br>61% | <b>13</b><br>44%  | <b>213</b><br>52% | <b>179</b><br>69%          | <b>181</b><br>63% | <b>74</b><br>67%  | <b>51</b><br>87% | <b>226</b><br>51% | <b>255</b><br>64% | <b>-29</b><br>-70% |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 93

**Q.11b How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...**

**- The Westminster Parliament -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     |                |                   | <b>Q.19 The Westminster Parliament ...is worthwhile</b> |                   |                            |                  |                   |                  |                   |                   |                   |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|---|-------------------|----------------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                                     | Effective Base | Total             | Strongly agree  | Tend to agree     | Neither agree nor disagree | Tend to disagree | Strongly disagree | Don't know       | Agree             | Disagree          | Net agree         |
| Unweighted total                    | 1156           | 1156              | 127   | 556               | 228                        | 113              | 60                | 72               | 683               | 173               | 510               |
| Weighted total                      | 801            | 1156              | 130   | 571               | 232                        | 105              | 53                | 65               | 701               | 158               | 543               |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>1668</b>    | <b>801</b>        | <b>98</b>   | <b>386</b>        | <b>154</b>                 | <b>81</b>        | <b>39</b>         | <b>45</b>        | <b>483</b>        | <b>121</b>        | <b>363</b>        |
| A great deal                        | 33             | 50<br>4%          | 16<br>12%   | 27<br>5%          | 3<br>1%                    | 2<br>2%          | 1<br>1%           | 2<br>3%          | 42<br>6%          | 2<br>2%           | 40<br>7%          |
| A fair amount                       | 258            | 383<br>33%        | 70<br>54%   | 246<br>43%        | 42<br>18%                  | 16<br>15%        | 9<br>16%          | 1<br>2%          | 316<br>45%        | 24<br>15%         | 292<br>54%        |
| Not very much                       | 366            | 542<br>47%        | 37<br>28%   | 246<br>43%        | 149<br>64%                 | 61<br>58%        | 27<br>51%         | 22<br>34%        | 283<br>40%        | 88<br>56%         | 194<br>36%        |
| Nothing at all                      | 136            | 169<br>15%        | 7<br>6%   | 49<br>9%          | 37<br>16%                  | 26<br>25%        | 16<br>31%         | 33<br>52%        | 56<br>8%          | 43<br>27%         | 14<br>3%          |
| Don't know                          | 12             | 12<br>1%          | -   | 4<br>1%           | 2<br>1%                    | -                | *                 | 6<br>9%          | 4<br>1%           | *                 | 4<br>1%           |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>291</b>     | <b>433</b><br>37% | <b>86</b><br>66%  | <b>272</b><br>48% | <b>45</b><br>19%           | <b>17</b><br>16% | <b>9</b><br>18%   | <b>3</b><br>5%   | <b>358</b><br>51% | <b>27</b><br>17%  | <b>331</b><br>61% |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>500</b>     | <b>711</b><br>61% | <b>44</b><br>34%  | <b>295</b><br>52% | <b>185</b><br>80%          | <b>88</b><br>84% | <b>43</b><br>81%  | <b>55</b><br>86% | <b>339</b><br>48% | <b>131</b><br>83% | <b>208</b><br>38% |

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Table 94

### Q.11 How much, if anything, do you feel you know about...

#### - Summary -

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                     | Politics                 | Your local council       | The Westminster Parliament | The role of MPs          |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Unweighted total                    | 1156                     | 1156                     | 1156                       | 1156                     |
| Weighted total                      | 1156                     | 1156                     | 1156                       | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>               | <b>801</b>               | <b>801</b>               | <b>801</b>                 | <b>801</b>               |
| A great deal                        | 66<br>6%                 | 47<br>4%                 | 50<br>4%                   | 70<br>6%                 |
| A fair amount                       | 524<br>45%               | 417<br>36%               | 383<br>33%                 | 505<br>44%               |
| Not very much                       | 458<br>40%               | 580<br>50%               | 542<br>47%                 | 464<br>40%               |
| Nothing at all                      | 102<br>9%                | 107<br>9%                | 169<br>15%                 | 110<br>9%                |
| Don't know                          | 5<br>*                   | 5<br>*                   | 12<br>1%                   | 7<br>1%                  |
| <b>Great deal/fair amount</b>       | <b>591</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>464</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>433</b><br><b>37%</b>   | <b>575</b><br><b>50%</b> |
| <b>Not very much/nothing at all</b> | <b>560</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>687</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>711</b><br><b>61%</b>   | <b>574</b><br><b>50%</b> |

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### Q.12 Which of these local, national and international issues, if any, have you discussed with your family or friends in the last year or so?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Gender      |             | Age         |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             | Social class |             |             |             |             |             | Region      |             |             | Marital status |             |                       | Unwtd total |                                |             |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|-------------|
|   | Male        | Female      | 18-24       | 25-34       | 35-44       | 45-54       | 55-64       | 65-74       | 75+         | 18-34       | 35-54       | 55+          | AB          | C1          | C2          | DE          | ABC1        | C2DE        | North       | South       | Mid lands      | Single      | Married /Co-hab iting |             | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |
| Unweighted total  | 1156        | 552         | 604         | 138         | 207         | 206         | 141         | 170         | 159         | 135         | 345         | 347          | 464         | 224         | 353         | 257         | 322         | 577         | 579         | 438         | 339            | 379         | 290                   | 669         | 197                            | 1156        |
| Weighted total  | 1156        | 561         | 595         | 173         | 183         | 216         | 186         | 169         | 117         | 111         | 356         | 402          | 398         | 310         | 333         | 241         | 272         | 642         | 514         | 387         | 411            | 358         | 306                   | 681         | 169                            | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                                     | <b>801</b>  | <b>391</b>  | <b>410</b>  | <b>98</b>   | <b>145</b>  | <b>149</b>  | <b>105</b>  | <b>117</b>  | <b>135</b>  | <b>87</b>   | <b>236</b>  | <b>252</b>   | <b>323</b>  | <b>161</b>  | <b>256</b>  | <b>191</b>  | <b>222</b>  | <b>401</b>  | <b>413</b>  | <b>312</b>  | <b>250</b>     | <b>251</b>  | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>  | <b>139</b>                     | <b>1156</b> |
| MPs' expenses   | 826         | 389         | 436         | 94          | 124         | 154         | 152         | 133         | 94          | 75          | 218         | 305          | 302         | 278         | 258         | 149         | 140         | 536         | 290         | 273         | 299            | 254         | 183                   | 526         | 117                            | 788         |
|   | 71%         | 69%         | 73%         | 55%         | 68%         | 71%         | 82%         | 79%         | 80%         | 67%         | 61%         | 76%          | 76%         | 90%         | 78%         | 62%         | 51%         | 83%         | 56%         | 71%         | 73%            | 71%         | 60%                   | 77%         | 69%                            | 68%         |
| The leadership of the main political parties              | 458         | 223         | 235         | 48          | 58          | 75          | 101         | 98          | 49          | 29          | 106         | 176          | 176         | 193         | 137         | 59          | 69          | 330         | 128         | 133         | 195            | 130         | 87                    | 306         | 65                             | 406         |
|   | 40%         | 40%         | 40%         | 28%         | 32%         | 35%         | 54%         | 58%         | 42%         | 26%         | 30%         | 44%          | 44%         | 62%         | 41%         | 24%         | 25%         | 51%         | 25%         | 34%         | 47%            | 36%         | 29%                   | 45%         | 38%                            | 35%         |
| The European Union  | 428         | 234         | 194         | 50          | 55          | 65          | 92          | 82          | 54          | 29          | 105         | 157          | 166         | 167         | 132         | 74          | 54          | 300         | 128         | 121         | 182            | 125         | 88                    | 288         | 52                             | 378         |
|   | 37%         | 42%         | 33%         | 29%         | 30%         | 30%         | 49%         | 48%         | 46%         | 26%         | 29%         | 39%          | 42%         | 54%         | 40%         | 31%         | 20%         | 47%         | 25%         | 31%         | 44%            | 35%         | 29%                   | 42%         | 31%                            | 33%         |
| Local council elections                                   | 344         | 161         | 183         | 37          | 37          | 61          | 74          | 74          | 36          | 25          | 73          | 135          | 135         | 127         | 105         | 60          | 50          | 233         | 111         | 98          | 144            | 102         | 73                    | 233         | 38                             | 330         |
|   | 30%         | 29%         | 31%         | 21%         | 20%         | 28%         | 40%         | 44%         | 30%         | 22%         | 21%         | 34%          | 34%         | 41%         | 32%         | 25%         | 19%         | 36%         | 22%         | 25%         | 35%            | 28%         | 24%                   | 34%         | 22%                            | 29%         |
| How political parties raise or spend their money          | 305         | 134         | 171         | 50          | 40          | 50          | 63          | 51          | 24          | 26          | 90          | 113          | 101         | 105         | 97          | 50          | 53          | 202         | 102         | 80          | 132            | 92          | 67                    | 194         | 44                             | 280         |
|   | 26%         | 24%         | 29%         | 29%         | 22%         | 23%         | 34%         | 30%         | 20%         | 23%         | 25%         | 28%          | 25%         | 34%         | 29%         | 21%         | 19%         | 32%         | 20%         | 21%         | 32%            | 26%         | 22%                   | 29%         | 26%                            | 24%         |
| Devolution of central government powers to Scotland/Wales | 243         | 125         | 117         | 25          | 34          | 39          | 50          | 49          | 26          | 19          | 59          | 89           | 94          | 117         | 69          | 31          | 26          | 186         | 57          | 72          | 97             | 74          | 41                    | 169         | 33                             | 218         |
|   | 21%         | 22%         | 20%         | 14%         | 19%         | 18%         | 27%         | 29%         | 22%         | 17%         | 17%         | 22%          | 24%         | 38%         | 21%         | 13%         | 10%         | 29%         | 11%         | 19%         | 24%            | 21%         | 13%                   | 25%         | 19%                            | 19%         |
| The electoral system                                      | 215         | 123         | 92          | 26          | 34          | 38          | 54          | 34          | 20          | 9           | 61          | 92           | 63          | 97          | 58          | 31          | 29          | 155         | 61          | 68          | 90             | 57          | 47                    | 149         | 19                             | 193         |
|   | 19%         | 22%         | 16%         | 15%         | 19%         | 18%         | 29%         | 20%         | 17%         | 8%          | 17%         | 23%          | 16%         | 31%         | 17%         | 13%         | 11%         | 24%         | 12%         | 18%         | 22%            | 16%         | 15%                   | 22%         | 11%                            | 17%         |
| Reform of the House of Lords                              | 163         | 88          | 76          | 15          | 21          | 22          | 37          | 36          | 20          | 12          | 36          | 59           | 68          | 78          | 49          | 20          | 16          | 127         | 36          | 40          | 78             | 45          | 28                    | 114         | 22                             | 134         |
|   | 14%         | 16%         | 13%         | 9%          | 11%         | 10%         | 20%         | 21%         | 17%         | 11%         | 10%         | 15%          | 17%         | 25%         | 15%         | 8%          | 6%          | 20%         | 7%          | 10%         | 19%            | 12%         | 9%                    | 17%         | 13%                            | 12%         |
| Reform of the House of Commons                            | 122         | 66          | 56          | 11          | 12          | 10          | 35          | 27          | 15          | 12          | 23          | 45           | 54          | 53          | 43          | 14          | 12          | 96          | 26          | 24          | 57             | 40          | 19                    | 86          | 17                             | 106         |
|   | 11%         | 12%         | 9%          | 6%          | 7%          | 5%          | 19%         | 16%         | 13%         | 11%         | 7%          | 11%          | 14%         | 17%         | 13%         | 6%          | 4%          | 15%         | 5%          | 6%          | 14%            | 11%         | 6%                    | 13%         | 10%                            | 9%          |
| Local government reform/ election of local mayors         | 114         | 53          | 61          | 9           | 21          | 14          | 21          | 31          | 8           | 10          | 30          | 35           | 49          | 44          | 33          | 20          | 17          | 78          | 37          | 28          | 42             | 44          | 24                    | 78          | 12                             | 104         |
|   | 10%         | 9%          | 10%         | 5%          | 11%         | 7%          | 11%         | 18%         | 7%          | 9%          | 8%          | 9%           | 12%         | 14%         | 10%         | 8%          | 6%          | 12%         | 7%          | 7%          | 10%            | 12%         | 8%                    | 11%         | 7%                             | 9%          |
| A written Bill of Rights                                  | 80          | 43          | 37          | 12          | 12          | 11          | 16          | 19          | 5           | 4           | 25          | 27           | 28          | 32          | 19          | 14          | 15          | 51          | 29          | 15          | 38             | 27          | 17                    | 56          | 7                              | 68          |
|   | 7%          | 8%          | 6%          | 7%          | 7%          | 5%          | 9%          | 11%         | 4%          | 4%          | 7%          | 7%           | 7%          | 10%         | 6%          | 6%          | 5%          | 8%          | 6%          | 4%          | 9%             | 8%          | 6%                    | 8%          | 4%                             | 6%          |
| Written constitution                                      | 78          | 40          | 38          | 7           | 5           | 15          | 20          | 17          | 12          | 2           | 12          | 35           | 31          | 37          | 22          | 12          | 8           | 59          | 20          | 18          | 39             | 21          | 12                    | 59          | 7                              | 71          |
|   | 7%          | 7%          | 6%          | 4%          | 3%          | 7%          | 11%         | 10%         | 10%         | 2%          | 3%          | 9%           | 8%          | 12%         | 7%          | 5%          | 3%          | 9%          | 4%          | 5%          | 10%            | 6%          | 4%                    | 9%          | 4%                             | 6%          |
| Recall of MPs via a petition of their constituents        | 54          | 32          | 22          | 4           | 8           | 7           | 9           | 11          | 10          | 6           | 12          | 16           | 26          | 21          | 14          | 8           | 12          | 35          | 19          | 16          | 25             | 13          | 7                     | 37          | 10                             | 45          |
|   | 5%          | 6%          | 4%          | 2%          | 5%          | 3%          | 5%          | 6%          | 8%          | 6%          | 3%          | 4%           | 7%          | 7%          | 4%          | 3%          | 4%          | 5%          | 4%          | 4%          | 6%             | 4%          | 2%                    | 5%          | 6%                             | 4%          |
| Open primary selections                                   | 41          | 24          | 17          | 2           | 8           | 5           | 13          | 8           | 4           | 3           | 9           | 17           | 14          | 18          | 11          | 8           | 4           | 29          | 12          | 15          | 13             | 13          | 3                     | 31          | 8                              | 36          |
|   | 4%          | 4%          | 3%          | 1%          | 4%          | 2%          | 7%          | 5%          | 3%          | 2%          | 3%          | 4%           | 4%          | 6%          | 3%          | 3%          | 2%          | 5%          | 2%          | 4%          | 3%             | 3%          | 1%                    | 5%          | 4%                             | 3%          |
| None of these   | 213         | 110         | 103         | 48          | 39          | 43          | 18          | 24          | 13          | 28          | 87          | 61           | 65          | 16          | 44          | 60          | 93          | 60          | 153         | 83          | 66             | 65          | 77                    | 100         | 36                             | 242         |
|   | 18%         | 20%         | 17%         | 28%         | 21%         | 20%         | 10%         | 14%         | 11%         | 25%         | 24%         | 15%          | 16%         | 5%          | 13%         | 25%         | 34%         | 9%          | 30%         | 21%         | 16%            | 18%         | 25%                   | 15%         | 21%                            | 21%         |
| Don't know  | 9           | 4           | 5           | *           | 4           | 1           | 1           | 2           | 1           | -           | 4           | 1            | 3           | 2           | 1           | 2           | 3           | 4           | 5           | 2           | 6              | 1           | 2                     | 7           | *                              | 13          |
|   | 1%          | 1%          | 1%          | *           | 2%          | *           | *           | 1%          | 1%          | -           | 1%          | *            | 1%          | 1%          | *           | 1%          | 1%          | 1%          | 1%          | 1%          | 1%             | *           | *                     | 1%          | *                              | 1%          |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>                         | <b>3.71</b> | <b>3.88</b> | <b>3.56</b> | <b>3.12</b> | <b>3.35</b> | <b>3.28</b> | <b>4.42</b> | <b>4.65</b> | <b>3.67</b> | <b>3.14</b> | <b>3.24</b> | <b>3.84</b>  | <b>3.96</b> | <b>4.69</b> | <b>3.65</b> | <b>3.06</b> | <b>2.87</b> | <b>4.18</b> | <b>2.97</b> | <b>3.32</b> | <b>4.22</b>    | <b>3.54</b> | <b>3.06</b>           | <b>4.05</b> | <b>3.38</b>                    | <b>3.50</b> |
| <b>Discussed Any</b>                                      | <b>935</b>  | <b>448</b>  | <b>487</b>  | <b>125</b>  | <b>140</b>  | <b>172</b>  | <b>167</b>  | <b>144</b>  | <b>103</b>  | <b>83</b>   | <b>265</b>  | <b>339</b>   | <b>330</b>  | <b>292</b>  | <b>287</b>  | <b>180</b>  | <b>176</b>  | <b>578</b>  | <b>356</b>  | <b>302</b>  | <b>340</b>     | <b>292</b>  | <b>228</b>            | <b>574</b>  | <b>133</b>                     | <b>901</b>  |
|   | 81%         | 80%         | 82%         | 72%         | 76%         | 80%         | 90%         | 85%         | 88%         | 75%         | 74%         | 84%          | 83%         | 94%         | 86%         | 74%         | 65%         | 90%         | 69%         | 78%         | 83%            | 82%         | 77%                   | 84%         | 79%                            | 78%         |
| <b>Discussed 1</b>  | <b>236</b>  | <b>113</b>  | <b>123</b>  | <b>46</b>   | <b>42</b>   | <b>52</b>   | <b>34</b>   | <b>18</b>   | <b>18</b>   | <b>25</b>   | <b>89</b>   | <b>86</b>    | <b>61</b>   | <b>40</b>   | <b>66</b>   | <b>58</b>   | <b>71</b>   | <b>107</b>  | <b>129</b>  | <b>94</b>   | <b>57</b>      | <b>85</b>   | <b>74</b>             | <b>124</b>  | <b>35</b>                      | <b>249</b>  |
|   | 20%         | 20%         | 21%         | 27%         | 23%         | 24%         | 18%         | 11%         | 15%         | 22%         | 25%         | 22%          | 15%         | 13%         | 20%         | 24%         | 26%         | 17%         | 25%         | 24%         | 14%            | 24%         | 25%                   | 18%         | 21%                            | 22%         |
| <b>Discussed 2</b>  | <b>185</b>  | <b>78</b>   | <b>107</b>  | <b>29</b>   | <b>30</b>   | <b>38</b>   | <b>23</b>   | <b>23</b>   | <b>23</b>   | <b>19</b>   | <b>59</b>   | <b>61</b>    | <b>65</b>   | <b>40</b>   | <b>63</b>   | <b>46</b>   | <b>36</b>   | <b>103</b>  | <b>82</b>   | <b>58</b>   | <b>72</b>      | <b>54</b>   | <b>52</b>             | <b>109</b>  | <b>24</b>                      | <b>174</b>  |
|   | 16%         | 14%         | 18%         | 17%         | 16%         | 17%         | 12%         | 13%         | 20%         | 17%         | 17%         | 15%          | 16%         | 13%         | 19%         | 19%         | 13%         | 16%         | 16%         | 15%         | 17%            | 15%         | 17%                   | 16%         | 14%                            | 15%         |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
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**Q.12 Which of these local, national and international issues, if any, have you discussed with your family or friends in the last year or so?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Gender |      | Age    |       |       |       |       |       |       |     |       |       |     | Social class |     |     |     |      |      | Region |       |           | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |
|----------------------------|--------|------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----|-------|-------|-----|--------------|-----|-----|-----|------|------|--------|-------|-----------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|
|                            | Total  | Male | Female | 18-24 | 25-34 | 35-44 | 45-54 | 55-64 | 65-74 | 75+ | 18-34 | 35-54 | 55+ | AB           | C1  | C2  | DE  | ABC1 | C2DE | North  | South | Mid lands | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |
| <b>Discussed 3</b>         | 110    | 53   | 57     | 11    | 17    | 17    | 20    | 16    | 17    | 11  | 28    | 37    | 44  | 32           | 36  | 25  | 17  | 68   | 42   | 37     | 38    | 34        | 22             | 65                    | 23                             | 121         |
|                            | 9%     | 9%   | 10%    | 6%    | 9%    | 8%    | 11%   | 10%   | 15%   | 10% | 8%    | 9%    | 11% | 10%          | 11% | 10% | 6%  | 11%  | 8%   | 10%    | 9%    | 10%       | 7%             | 10%                   | 13%                            | 10%         |
| <b>Discussed 4 or more</b> | 405    | 203  | 201    | 38    | 51    | 65    | 90    | 87    | 44    | 29  | 89    | 155   | 160 | 179          | 122 | 51  | 53  | 301  | 103  | 113    | 172   | 119       | 77             | 276                   | 51                             | 357         |
|                            | 35%    | 36%  | 34%    | 22%   | 28%   | 30%   | 48%   | 52%   | 38%   | 26% | 25%   | 39%   | 40% | 58%          | 37% | 21% | 19% | 47%  | 20%  | 29%    | 42%   | 33%       | 25%            | 41%                   | 30%                            | 31%         |

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## Q.12 Which of these local, national and international issues, if any, have you discussed with your family or friends in the last year or so?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Working status |             |             | Children in household |             | Newspaper readership |             |             | Education                |                   |                                |                  | Ethnicity   |             | GO Region   |             |             |             |               |               |                          |             |             |             | Unwtd total |             |             |
|---|----------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|   | Full time      | Part time   | Not working | Yes                   | No          | Quality              | Popular     | None        | GCSE/O-Level/ CSE/ NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/ Masters /PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White       | BME         | South East  | Eastern     | London      | South West  | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West  | North East  | Wales       |             | Scotland    |             |
| Unweighted total  | 1156           | 425         | 109         | 622                   | 360         | 234                  | 201         | 445         | 548                      | 318               | 183                            | 258              | 274         | 1007        | 146         | 116         | 102         | 121         | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91          | 122         | 68          | 97          | 157         | 1156        |
| Weighted total  | 1156           | 520         | 109         | 527                   | 372         | 287                  | 253         | 423         | 522                      | 320               | 213                            | 287              | 219         | 1054        | 100         | 162         | 110         | 147         | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101         | 134         | 51          | 58          | 102         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                                     | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b>  | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b>  | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b>  | <b>313</b>  | <b>382</b>               | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                     | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b>  | <b>703</b>  | <b>115</b>  | <b>90</b>   | <b>72</b>   | <b>86</b>   | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>   | <b>90</b>   | <b>51</b>   | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| MPs' expenses   | 826            | 392         | 81          | 352                   | 269         | 188                  | 216         | 285         | 360                      | 212               | 160                            | 245              | 122         | 787         | 38          | 132         | 74          | 82          | 85            | 73            | 62                       | 75          | 86          | 41          | 45          | 72          | 788         |
|   | 71%            | 76%         | 74%         | 67%                   | 72%         | 66%                  | 85%         | 67%         | 69%                      | 66%               | 75%                            | 85%              | 56%         | 75%         | 38%         | 82%         | 67%         | 56%         | 83%           | 70%           | 72%                      | 74%         | 64%         | 80%         | 78%         | 70%         | 68%         |
| The leadership of the main political parties              | 458            | 231         | 50          | 177                   | 137         | 112                  | 164         | 130         | 189                      | 95                | 101                            | 168              | 43          | 443         | 15          | 100         | 45          | 41          | 54            | 35            | 30                       | 37          | 41          | 24          | 19          | 31          | 406         |
|   | 40%            | 44%         | 46%         | 34%                   | 37%         | 39%                  | 65%         | 31%         | 36%                      | 30%               | 47%                            | 59%              | 20%         | 42%         | 15%         | 62%         | 41%         | 28%         | 53%           | 34%           | 35%                      | 37%         | 31%         | 47%         | 33%         | 30%         | 35%         |
| The European Union  | 428            | 222         | 37          | 169                   | 107         | 108                  | 164         | 129         | 163                      | 86                | 88                             | 172              | 39          | 415         | 13          | 91          | 44          | 43          | 47            | 35            | 29                       | 34          | 35          | 16          | 17          | 36          | 378         |
|   | 37%            | 43%         | 34%         | 32%                   | 29%         | 37%                  | 65%         | 31%         | 31%                      | 27%               | 41%                            | 60%              | 18%         | 39%         | 13%         | 56%         | 40%         | 30%         | 46%           | 34%           | 33%                      | 34%         | 26%         | 31%         | 29%         | 36%         | 33%         |
| Local council elections                                   | 344            | 173         | 36          | 135                   | 97          | 85                   | 114         | 117         | 130                      | 70                | 52                             | 133              | 46          | 329         | 14          | 64          | 28          | 33          | 46            | 31            | 22                       | 26          | 36          | 13          | 22          | 23          | 330         |
|   | 30%            | 33%         | 33%         | 26%                   | 26%         | 30%                  | 45%         | 28%         | 25%                      | 22%               | 24%                            | 46%              | 21%         | 31%         | 14%         | 40%         | 25%         | 23%         | 45%           | 30%           | 25%                      | 26%         | 27%         | 26%         | 38%         | 23%         | 29%         |
| How political parties raise or spend their money          | 305            | 142         | 34          | 129                   | 96          | 73                   | 97          | 87          | 135                      | 56                | 67                             | 112              | 32          | 292         | 13          | 61          | 35          | 43          | 28            | 28            | 14                       | 21          | 29          | 10          | 15          | 20          | 280         |
|   | 26%            | 27%         | 31%         | 24%                   | 26%         | 26%                  | 38%         | 21%         | 26%                      | 18%               | 31%                            | 39%              | 15%         | 28%         | 13%         | 38%         | 32%         | 29%         | 27%           | 27%           | 16%                      | 21%         | 22%         | 20%         | 27%         | 20%         | 24%         |
| Devolution of central government powers to Scotland/Wales | 243            | 131         | 19          | 92                    | 61          | 56                   | 109         | 54          | 96                       | 38                | 46                             | 113              | 17          | 242         | 1           | 53          | 25          | 23          | 20            | 21            | 11                       | 10          | 19          | 10          | 17          | 33          | 218         |
|   | 21%            | 25%         | 18%         | 17%                   | 17%         | 20%                  | 43%         | 13%         | 18%                      | 12%               | 22%                            | 39%              | 8%          | 23%         | 1%          | 33%         | 22%         | 16%         | 20%           | 21%           | 12%                      | 10%         | 14%         | 19%         | 29%         | 33%         | 19%         |
| The electoral system                                      | 215            | 127         | 24          | 65                    | 68          | 54                   | 84          | 58          | 86                       | 36                | 36                             | 101              | 18          | 208         | 7           | 47          | 22          | 22          | 21            | 14            | 11                       | 15          | 20          | 17          | 10          | 17          | 193         |
|   | 19%            | 24%         | 22%         | 12%                   | 18%         | 19%                  | 33%         | 14%         | 17%                      | 11%               | 17%                            | 35%              | 8%          | 20%         | 7%          | 29%         | 20%         | 15%         | 21%           | 14%           | 12%                      | 15%         | 15%         | 33%         | 18%         | 17%         | 17%         |
| Reform of the House of Lords                              | 163            | 78          | 17          | 68                    | 37          | 32                   | 71          | 40          | 62                       | 18                | 24                             | 90               | 16          | 162         | 1           | 33          | 14          | 24          | 21            | 13            | 10                       | 8           | 15          | 5           | 8           | 12          | 134         |
|   | 14%            | 15%         | 15%         | 13%                   | 10%         | 11%                  | 28%         | 9%          | 12%                      | 6%                | 11%                            | 31%              | 7%          | 15%         | 1%          | 21%         | 13%         | 16%         | 20%           | 12%           | 12%                      | 8%          | 11%         | 10%         | 14%         | 12%         | 12%         |
| Reform of the House of Commons                            | 122            | 62          | 11          | 49                    | 26          | 20                   | 55          | 32          | 42                       | 18                | 22                             | 56               | 15          | 120         | 2           | 27          | 18          | 18          | 13            | 12            | 3                        | 7           | 6           | 2           | 7           | 9           | 106         |
|   | 11%            | 12%         | 10%         | 9%                    | 7%          | 7%                   | 22%         | 8%          | 8%                       | 6%                | 10%                            | 20%              | 7%          | 11%         | 2%          | 17%         | 17%         | 12%         | 13%           | 11%           | 4%                       | 7%          | 4%          | 4%          | 12%         | 9%          | 9%          |
| Local government reform/ election of local mayors         | 114            | 53          | 11          | 50                    | 26          | 27                   | 44          | 33          | 43                       | 19                | 29                             | 44               | 11          | 110         | 4           | 18          | 19          | 12          | 12            | 7             | 7                        | 11          | 3           | 5           | 7           | 104         |             |
|   | 10%            | 10%         | 10%         | 10%                   | 7%          | 10%                  | 17%         | 8%          | 8%                       | 6%                | 13%                            | 15%              | 5%          | 10%         | 4%          | 11%         | 18%         | 8%          | 11%           | 12%           | 8%                       | 7%          | 8%          | 6%          | 9%          | 7%          | 9%          |
| A written Bill of Rights                                  | 80             | 39          | 5           | 36                    | 24          | 18                   | 45          | 24          | 22                       | 10                | 14                             | 42               | 4           | 73          | 7           | 17          | 15          | 16          | 4             | 5             | 5                        | 2           | 6           | 4           | 3           | 4           | 68          |
|   | 7%             | 7%          | 5%          | 7%                    | 6%          | 6%                   | 18%         | 6%          | 4%                       | 3%                | 6%                             | 15%              | 2%          | 7%          | 7%          | 10%         | 14%         | 11%         | 4%            | 5%            | 5%                       | 2%          | 4%          | 7%          | 4%          | 4%          | 6%          |
| Written constitution                                      | 78             | 41          | 7           | 30                    | 21          | 15                   | 44          | 20          | 26                       | 12                | 11                             | 43               | 3           | 76          | 2           | 15          | 9           | 15          | 9             | 6             | 1                        | 6           | 2           | 6           | 5           | 4           | 71          |
|   | 7%             | 8%          | 6%          | 6%                    | 6%          | 5%                   | 17%         | 5%          | 5%                       | 4%                | 5%                             | 15%              | 1%          | 7%          | 2%          | 9%          | 8%          | 10%         | 8%            | 6%            | 1%                       | 6%          | 1%          | 11%         | 8%          | 4%          | 6%          |
| Recall of MPs via a petition of their constituents        | 54             | 32          | 2           | 21                    | 9           | 11                   | 27          | 16          | 20                       | 13                | 6                              | 24               | 1           | 54          | 1           | 17          | 6           | 5           | 3             | 6             | 1                        | 6           | 4           | 2           | 1           | 4           | 45          |
|   | 5%             | 6%          | 2%          | 4%                    | 2%          | 4%                   | 11%         | 4%          | 4%                       | 4%                | 3%                             | 8%               | 1%          | 5%          | 1%          | 10%         | 5%          | 3%          | 3%            | 5%            | 1%                       | 6%          | 3%          | 3%          | 1%          | 4%          | 4%          |
| Open primary selections                                   | 41             | 29          | 3           | 9                     | 10          | 8                    | 16          | 13          | 15                       | 6                 | 7                              | 20               | 3           | 40          | 2           | 11          | 5           | 2           | 1             | 2             | 4                        | -           | 9           | 1           | 2           | 5           | 36          |
|   | 4%             | 6%          | 2%          | 2%                    | 3%          | 3%                   | 6%          | 3%          | 3%                       | 2%                | 3%                             | 7%               | 1%          | 4%          | 2%          | 7%          | 5%          | 1%          | 1%            | 2%            | 5%                       | -           | 6%          | 3%          | 3%          | 5%          | 3%          |
| None of these   | 213            | 80          | 17          | 115                   | 73          | 57                   | 15          | 97          | 103                      | 78                | 28                             | 18               | 69          | 171         | 40          | 13          | 22          | 42          | 11            | 17            | 16                       | 21          | 31          | 10          | 9           | 20          | 242         |
|   | 18%            | 15%         | 16%         | 22%                   | 20%         | 20%                  | 6%          | 23%         | 20%                      | 24%               | 13%                            | 6%               | 32%         | 16%         | 40%         | 8%          | 20%         | 28%         | 11%           | 16%           | 19%                      | 21%         | 23%         | 20%         | 16%         | 20%         | 21%         |
| Don't know  | 9              | 4           | *           | 4                     | 1           | 2                    | 1           | *           | 7                        | 2                 | 3                              | 1                | 2           | 6           | 2           | 3           | -           | 2           | 1             | *             | *                        | 1           | -           | -           | -           | 1           | 13          |
|   | 1%             | 1%          | *           | 1%                    | *           | 1%                   | 1%          | *           | 1%                       | 1%                | 1%                             | *                | 1%          | 1%          | 2%          | 2%          | -           | 2%          | 1%            | *             | 1%                       | 1%          | -           | -           | -           | 1%          | 1%          |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>                         | <b>3.71</b>    | <b>4.03</b> | <b>3.66</b> | <b>3.39</b>           | <b>3.33</b> | <b>3.54</b>          | <b>5.28</b> | <b>3.19</b> | <b>3.37</b>              | <b>2.87</b>       | <b>3.63</b>                    | <b>5.10</b>      | <b>2.49</b> | <b>3.82</b> | <b>2.09</b> | <b>4.69</b> | <b>4.10</b> | <b>3.70</b> | <b>4.03</b>   | <b>3.38</b>   | <b>2.99</b>              | <b>3.26</b> | <b>3.09</b> | <b>3.74</b> | <b>3.62</b> | <b>3.46</b> | <b>3.50</b> |
| <b>Discussed Any</b>                                      | <b>935</b>     | <b>435</b>  | <b>91</b>   | <b>408</b>            | <b>297</b>  | <b>228</b>           | <b>236</b>  | <b>325</b>  | <b>412</b>               | <b>240</b>        | <b>183</b>                     | <b>267</b>       | <b>148</b>  | <b>877</b>  | <b>57</b>   | <b>146</b>  | <b>88</b>   | <b>103</b>  | <b>91</b>     | <b>87</b>     | <b>70</b>                | <b>78</b>   | <b>103</b>  | <b>41</b>   | <b>48</b>   | <b>80</b>   | <b>901</b>  |
|   | 81%            | 84%         | 84%         | 77%                   | 80%         | 80%                  | 94%         | 77%         | 79%                      | 75%               | 86%                            | 93%              | 67%         | 83%         | 57%         | 90%         | 80%         | 70%         | 88%           | 83%           | 81%                      | 78%         | 77%         | 80%         | 84%         | 79%         | 78%         |
| <b>Discussed 1</b>  | <b>236</b>     | <b>100</b>  | <b>21</b>   | <b>115</b>            | <b>93</b>   | <b>62</b>            | <b>22</b>   | <b>83</b>   | <b>131</b>               | <b>88</b>         | <b>42</b>                      | <b>28</b>        | <b>58</b>   | <b>207</b>  | <b>28</b>   | <b>13</b>   | <b>18</b>   | <b>27</b>   | <b>18</b>     | <b>32</b>     | <b>22</b>                | <b>22</b>   | <b>39</b>   | <b>8</b>    | <b>13</b>   | <b>25</b>   | <b>249</b>  |
|   | 20%            | 19%         | 20%         | 22%                   | 25%         | 21%                  | 9%          | 20%         | 25%                      | 20%               | 20%                            | 10%              | 27%         | 20%         | 28%         | 8%          | 16%         | 18%         | 17%           | 30%           | 26%                      | 22%         | 29%         | 16%         | 22%         | 24%         | 22%         |
| <b>Discussed 2</b>  | <b>185</b>     | <b>78</b>   | <b>18</b>   | <b>88</b>             | <b>63</b>   | <b>48</b>            | <b>30</b>   | <b>83</b>   | <b>75</b>                | <b>50</b>         | <b>45</b>                      | <b>39</b>        | <b>38</b>   | <b>169</b>  | <b>15</b>   | <b>27</b>   | <b>14</b>   | <b>31</b>   | <b>14</b>     | <b>16</b>     | <b>16</b>                | <b>17</b>   | <b>21</b>   | <b>7</b>    | <b>9</b>    | <b>13</b>   | <b>174</b>  |
|   | 16%            | 15%         | 17%         | 17%                   | 17%         | 17%                  | 12%         | 20%         | 14%                      | 16%               | 21%                            | 14%              | 17%         | 16%         | 15%         | 17%         | 13%         | 21%         | 14%           | 15%           | 18%                      | 17%         | 16%         | 15%         | 15%         | 13%         | 15%         |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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**Q.12 Which of these local, national and international issues, if any, have you discussed with your family or friends in the last year or so?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Working status |           |             | Children in household |     | Newspaper readership |         |      | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity |     | GO Region  |         |        |            |               |               |                          |            |            |       | Unwtd total |          |     |
|----------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------------|-----------------------|-----|----------------------|---------|------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|-----------|-----|------------|---------|--------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-------|-------------|----------|-----|
|                            | Full time      | Part time | Not working | Yes                   | No  | Quality              | Popular | None | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White     | BME | South East | Eastern | London | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales |             | Scotland |     |
| <b>Discussed 3</b>         | 110            | 47        | 19          | 44                    | 35  | 23                   | 24      | 49   | 45                     | 36                | 24                           | 17               | 19        | 102 | 8          | 17      | 14     | 10         | 11            | 4             | 10                       | 15         | 6          | 6     | 6           | 10       | 121 |
|                            | 9%             | 9%        | 18%         | 8%                    | 10% | 8%                   | 9%      | 12%  | 9%                     | 11%               | 11%                          | 6%               | 9%        | 10% | 8%         | 10%     | 12%    | 7%         | 11%           | 4%            | 12%                      | 15%        | 5%         | 11%   | 11%         | 10%      | 10% |
| <b>Discussed 4 or more</b> | 405            | 211       | 33          | 161                   | 106 | 96                   | 160     | 110  | 161                    | 65                | 72                           | 183              | 33        | 398 | 6          | 90      | 42     | 35         | 47            | 35            | 22                       | 24         | 37         | 19    | 21          | 33       | 357 |
|                            | 35%            | 41%       | 30%         | 31%                   | 28% | 33%                  | 63%     | 26%  | 31%                    | 20%               | 34%                          | 64%              | 15%       | 38% | 6%         | 56%     | 38%    | 24%        | 45%           | 34%           | 25%                      | 24%        | 27%        | 38%   | 36%         | 32%      | 31% |

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### Q.12 Which of these local, national and international issues, if any, have you discussed with your family or friends in the last year or so?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Total       | Urbanity    |             |             | Interest in politics |                | Likelihood to vote |                | Political activism |              | Opinion on present system |                   | Knew local MP |             | Unwtd total |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|
|   |             | Urban       | Rural       | Mixed       | Interested           | Not interested | Certain to         | Certain not to | Activist           | Non-activist | Works well                | Needs improvement | Yes           | No          |             |
| Unweighted total  | 1156        | 773         | 145         | 238         | 580                  | 569            | 627                | 143            | 160                | 996          | 327                       | 783               | 495           | 661         | 1156        |
| Weighted total  | 1156        | 784         | 136         | 235         | 611                  | 539            | 619                | 140            | 180                | 976          | 322                       | 793               | 511           | 645         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                                     | <b>801</b>  | <b>535</b>  | <b>97</b>   | <b>170</b>  | <b>404</b>           | <b>394</b>     | <b>430</b>         | <b>96</b>      | <b>118</b>         | <b>684</b>   | <b>232</b>                | <b>543</b>        | <b>339</b>    | <b>464</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| MPs' expenses   | 826         | 555         | 105         | 166         | 514                  | 309            | 492                | 78             | 164                | 662          | 209                       | 602               | 410           | 416         | 788         |
|   | 71%         | 71%         | 77%         | 70%         | 84%                  | 57%            | 80%                | 56%            | 91%                | 68%          | 65%                       | 76%               | 80%           | 64%         | 68%         |
| The leadership of the main political parties              | 458         | 297         | 60          | 102         | 348                  | 110            | 312                | 27             | 136                | 322          | 116                       | 338               | 243           | 215         | 406         |
|   | 40%         | 38%         | 44%         | 43%         | 57%                  | 20%            | 50%                | 19%            | 76%                | 33%          | 36%                       | 43%               | 48%           | 33%         | 35%         |
| The European Union  | 428         | 270         | 69          | 89          | 349                  | 79             | 305                | 24             | 129                | 299          | 114                       | 311               | 231           | 197         | 378         |
|   | 37%         | 34%         | 51%         | 38%         | 57%                  | 15%            | 49%                | 17%            | 72%                | 31%          | 35%                       | 39%               | 45%           | 31%         | 33%         |
| Local council elections                                   | 344         | 238         | 45          | 60          | 249                  | 95             | 249                | 17             | 115                | 229          | 83                        | 260               | 198           | 146         | 330         |
|   | 30%         | 30%         | 33%         | 26%         | 41%                  | 18%            | 40%                | 12%            | 64%                | 23%          | 26%                       | 33%               | 39%           | 23%         | 29%         |
| How political parties raise or spend their money          | 305         | 224         | 35          | 45          | 234                  | 70             | 194                | 23             | 96                 | 209          | 88                        | 213               | 156           | 149         | 280         |
|   | 26%         | 29%         | 26%         | 19%         | 38%                  | 13%            | 31%                | 16%            | 53%                | 21%          | 27%                       | 27%               | 31%           | 23%         | 24%         |
| Devolution of central government powers to Scotland/Wales | 243         | 163         | 32          | 48          | 215                  | 28             | 189                | 8              | 99                 | 144          | 66                        | 173               | 130           | 113         | 218         |
|   | 21%         | 21%         | 23%         | 21%         | 35%                  | 5%             | 31%                | 6%             | 55%                | 15%          | 21%                       | 22%               | 25%           | 17%         | 19%         |
| The electoral system                                      | 215         | 144         | 30          | 42          | 178                  | 38             | 145                | 15             | 92                 | 123          | 51                        | 165               | 103           | 113         | 193         |
|   | 19%         | 18%         | 22%         | 18%         | 29%                  | 7%             | 24%                | 11%            | 51%                | 13%          | 16%                       | 21%               | 20%           | 17%         | 17%         |
| Reform of the House of Lords                              | 163         | 110         | 23          | 30          | 147                  | 17             | 129                | 4              | 90                 | 73           | 42                        | 118               | 95            | 68          | 134         |
|   | 14%         | 14%         | 17%         | 13%         | 24%                  | 3%             | 21%                | 3%             | 50%                | 8%           | 13%                       | 15%               | 19%           | 11%         | 12%         |
| Reform of the House of Commons                            | 122         | 84          | 19          | 19          | 108                  | 14             | 88                 | 5              | 59                 | 63           | 30                        | 93                | 83            | 39          | 106         |
|   | 11%         | 11%         | 14%         | 8%          | 18%                  | 3%             | 14%                | 4%             | 33%                | 6%           | 9%                        | 12%               | 16%           | 6%          | 9%          |
| Local government reform/ election of local mayors         | 114         | 73          | 11          | 30          | 86                   | 28             | 77                 | 8              | 49                 | 65           | 23                        | 92                | 63            | 51          | 104         |
|   | 10%         | 9%          | 8%          | 13%         | 14%                  | 5%             | 13%                | 5%             | 27%                | 7%           | 7%                        | 12%               | 12%           | 8%          | 9%          |
| A written Bill of Rights                                  | 80          | 58          | 8           | 14          | 67                   | 11             | 57                 | 5              | 40                 | 40           | 20                        | 60                | 51            | 29          | 68          |
|   | 7%          | 7%          | 6%          | 6%          | 11%                  | 2%             | 9%                 | 4%             | 22%                | 4%           | 6%                        | 8%                | 10%           | 4%          | 6%          |
| Written constitution                                      | 78          | 53          | 12          | 14          | 68                   | 10             | 67                 | 2              | 46                 | 33           | 18                        | 60                | 46            | 32          | 71          |
|   | 7%          | 7%          | 8%          | 6%          | 11%                  | 2%             | 11%                | 1%             | 25%                | 3%           | 6%                        | 8%                | 9%            | 5%          | 6%          |
| Recall of MPs via a petition of their constituents        | 54          | 37          | 7           | 10          | 48                   | 6              | 41                 | *              | 27                 | 27           | 12                        | 42                | 40            | 14          | 45          |
|   | 5%          | 5%          | 5%          | 4%          | 8%                   | 1%             | 7%                 | *              | 15%                | 3%           | 4%                        | 5%                | 8%            | 2%          | 4%          |
| Open primary selections                                   | 41          | 30          | 2           | 9           | 36                   | 5              | 30                 | 1              | 16                 | 25           | 7                         | 33                | 25            | 16          | 36          |
|   | 4%          | 4%          | 2%          | 4%          | 6%                   | 1%             | 5%                 | *              | 9%                 | 3%           | 2%                        | 4%                | 5%            | 2%          | 3%          |
| None of these   | 213         | 140         | 18          | 55          | 37                   | 174            | 74                 | 44             | 2                  | 211          | 70                        | 121               | 64            | 149         | 242         |
|   | 18%         | 18%         | 13%         | 23%         | 6%                   | 32%            | 12%                | 32%            | 1%                 | 22%          | 22%                       | 15%               | 13%           | 23%         | 21%         |
| Don't know  | 9           | 8           | 1           | -           | 1                    | 7              | 2                  | 1              | -                  | 9            | 2                         | 4                 | 2             | 7           | 13          |
|   | 1%          | 1%          | 1%          | -           | *                    | 1%             | *                  | 1%             | -                  | 1%           | *                         | 1%                | *             | 1%          | 1%          |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>                         | <b>3.71</b> | <b>3.67</b> | <b>3.90</b> | <b>3.75</b> | <b>4.62</b>          | <b>2.29</b>    | <b>4.38</b>        | <b>2.31</b>    | <b>6.51</b>        | <b>3.06</b>  | <b>3.51</b>               | <b>3.83</b>       | <b>4.21</b>   | <b>3.26</b> | <b>3.50</b> |
| <b>Discussed Any</b>                                      | <b>935</b>  | <b>636</b>  | <b>118</b>  | <b>181</b>  | <b>573</b>           | <b>358</b>     | <b>543</b>         | <b>94</b>      | <b>178</b>         | <b>757</b>   | <b>250</b>                | <b>668</b>        | <b>445</b>    | <b>489</b>  | <b>901</b>  |
|   | 81%         | 81%         | 86%         | 77%         | 94%                  | 66%            | 88%                | 67%            | 99%                | 78%          | 78%                       | 84%               | 87%           | 76%         | 78%         |
| <b>Discussed 1</b>  | <b>236</b>  | <b>178</b>  | <b>20</b>   | <b>38</b>   | <b>72</b>            | <b>161</b>     | <b>91</b>          | <b>43</b>      | <b>6</b>           | <b>229</b>   | <b>53</b>                 | <b>173</b>        | <b>94</b>     | <b>142</b>  | <b>249</b>  |
|   | 20%         | 23%         | 14%         | 16%         | 12%                  | 30%            | 15%                | 31%            | 4%                 | 23%          | 17%                       | 22%               | 18%           | 22%         | 22%         |
| <b>Discussed 2</b>  | <b>185</b>  | <b>119</b>  | <b>23</b>   | <b>42</b>   | <b>96</b>            | <b>88</b>      | <b>92</b>          | <b>23</b>      | <b>6</b>           | <b>179</b>   | <b>71</b>                 | <b>109</b>        | <b>70</b>     | <b>114</b>  | <b>174</b>  |
|   | 16%         | 15%         | 17%         | 18%         | 16%                  | 16%            | 15%                | 16%            | 3%                 | 18%          | 22%                       | 14%               | 14%           | 18%         | 15%         |
| <b>Discussed 3</b>  | <b>110</b>  | <b>66</b>   | <b>23</b>   | <b>21</b>   | <b>63</b>            | <b>46</b>      | <b>64</b>          | <b>7</b>       | <b>13</b>          | <b>97</b>    | <b>26</b>                 | <b>84</b>         | <b>52</b>     | <b>58</b>   | <b>121</b>  |
|   | 9%          | 8%          | 17%         | 9%          | 10%                  | 9%             | 10%                | 5%             | 7%                 | 10%          | 8%                        | 11%               | 10%           | 9%          | 10%         |

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Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Urbanity |       |       | Interest in politics |                | Likelihood to vote |                | Political activism |              | Opinion on present system |                   | Knew local MP |     | Unwtd total |     |
|----------------------------|----------|-------|-------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------|-----|-------------|-----|
|                            | Urban    | Rural | Mixed | Interested           | Not interested | Certain to         | Certain not to | Activist           | Non-activist | Works well                | Needs improvement | Yes           | No  |             |     |
| <b>Discussed 4 or more</b> | 405      | 274   | 52    | 79                   | 342            | 62                 | 295            | 21                 | 152          | 252                       | 100               | 302           | 229 | 175         | 357 |
|                            | 35%      | 35%   | 38%   | 34%                  | 56%            | 12%                | 48%            | 15%                | 85%          | 26%                       | 31%               | 38%           | 45% | 27%         | 31% |

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Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Quiz score  |             |             | Satisfaction with local MP |             | Satisfaction with MPs in general |             | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |             | Use of internet |              | Unwtd total |                     |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------|--|-------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
|   | Total       | Scored 0-3  | Scored 4-6  | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied   | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied   | Dissatisfied                           | Agree       | Disagree        | Use internet |             | Do not use internet |
| Unweighted total  | 1156        | 210         | 463         | 483                        | 459         | 183                              | 349         | 502                                    | 438         | 450             | 762          | 394         | 1156                |
| Weighted total  | 1156        | 187         | 470         | 499                        | 444         | 190                              | 336         | 515                                    | 427         | 474             | 826          | 330         | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                                     | <b>801</b>  | <b>150</b>  | <b>310</b>  | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b>  | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b>  | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b>  | <b>302</b>      | <b>540</b>   | <b>269</b>  | <b>1156</b>         |
| MPs' expenses   | 826         | 69          | 324         | 433                        | 324         | 140                              | 230         | 403                                    | 298         | 367             | 631          | 195         | 788                 |
|   | 71%         | 37%         | 69%         | 87%                        | 73%         | 74%                              | 68%         | 78%                                    | 70%         | 77%             | 76%          | 59%         | 68%                 |
| The leadership of the main political parties              | 458         | 14          | 152         | 292                        | 194         | 84                               | 136         | 210                                    | 178         | 191             | 382          | 76          | 406                 |
|   | 40%         | 7%          | 32%         | 59%                        | 44%         | 44%                              | 41%         | 41%                                    | 42%         | 40%             | 46%          | 23%         | 35%                 |
| The European Union  | 428         | 7           | 132         | 289                        | 185         | 76                               | 149         | 186                                    | 184         | 169             | 360          | 68          | 378                 |
|   | 37%         | 4%          | 28%         | 58%                        | 42%         | 40%                              | 44%         | 36%                                    | 43%         | 36%             | 44%          | 21%         | 33%                 |
| Local council elections                                   | 344         | 19          | 121         | 203                        | 167         | 67                               | 106         | 157                                    | 141         | 141             | 269          | 74          | 330                 |
|   | 30%         | 10%         | 26%         | 41%                        | 38%         | 35%                              | 31%         | 31%                                    | 33%         | 30%             | 33%          | 22%         | 29%                 |
| How political parties raise or spend their money          | 305         | 21          | 97          | 187                        | 128         | 58                               | 87          | 137                                    | 130         | 114             | 250          | 55          | 280                 |
|   | 26%         | 11%         | 21%         | 37%                        | 29%         | 31%                              | 26%         | 27%                                    | 30%         | 24%             | 30%          | 17%         | 24%                 |
| Devolution of central government powers to Scotland/Wales | 243         | 1           | 60          | 182                        | 103         | 38                               | 80          | 101                                    | 102         | 88              | 210          | 33          | 218                 |
|   | 21%         | *           | 13%         | 36%                        | 23%         | 20%                              | 24%         | 20%                                    | 24%         | 18%             | 25%          | 10%         | 19%                 |
| The electoral system                                      | 215         | 5           | 49          | 161                        | 79          | 53                               | 75          | 85                                     | 91          | 78              | 188          | 28          | 193                 |
|   | 19%         | 3%          | 11%         | 32%                        | 18%         | 28%                              | 22%         | 16%                                    | 21%         | 16%             | 23%          | 8%          | 17%                 |
| Reform of the House of Lords                              | 163         | 2           | 33          | 128                        | 67          | 36                               | 61          | 51                                     | 76          | 55              | 142          | 22          | 134                 |
|   | 14%         | 1%          | 7%          | 26%                        | 15%         | 19%                              | 18%         | 10%                                    | 18%         | 12%             | 17%          | 7%          | 12%                 |
| Reform of the House of Commons                            | 122         | 2           | 18          | 102                        | 56          | 27                               | 44          | 48                                     | 54          | 42              | 102          | 20          | 106                 |
|   | 11%         | 1%          | 4%          | 20%                        | 13%         | 14%                              | 13%         | 9%                                     | 13%         | 9%              | 12%          | 6%          | 9%                  |
| Local government reform/ election of local mayors         | 114         | 3           | 36          | 76                         | 55          | 25                               | 41          | 44                                     | 50          | 43              | 94           | 20          | 104                 |
|   | 10%         | 1%          | 8%          | 15%                        | 12%         | 13%                              | 12%         | 9%                                     | 12%         | 9%              | 11%          | 6%          | 9%                  |
| A written Bill of Rights                                  | 80          | 3           | 17          | 60                         | 40          | 20                               | 32          | 30                                     | 38          | 32              | 71           | 9           | 68                  |
|   | 7%          | 2%          | 4%          | 12%                        | 9%          | 11%                              | 9%          | 6%                                     | 9%          | 7%              | 9%           | 3%          | 6%                  |
| Written constitution                                      | 78          | 1           | 10          | 66                         | 32          | 23                               | 24          | 33                                     | 32          | 27              | 74           | 5           | 71                  |
|   | 7%          | 1%          | 2%          | 13%                        | 7%          | 12%                              | 7%          | 6%                                     | 8%          | 6%              | 9%           | 1%          | 6%                  |
| Recall of MPs via a petition of their constituents        | 54          | -           | 11          | 43                         | 22          | 16                               | 18          | 24                                     | 18          | 25              | 45           | 9           | 45                  |
|   | 5%          | -           | 2%          | 9%                         | 5%          | 8%                               | 5%          | 5%                                     | 4%          | 5%              | 5%           | 3%          | 4%                  |
| Open primary selections                                   | 41          | 1           | 14          | 26                         | 24          | 3                                | 19          | 13                                     | 16          | 13              | 33           | 8           | 36                  |
|   | 4%          | *           | 3%          | 5%                         | 5%          | 2%                               | 6%          | 2%                                     | 4%          | 3%              | 4%           | 2%          | 3%                  |
| None of these   | 213         | 89          | 95          | 28                         | 69          | 39                               | 64          | 80                                     | 80          | 71              | 117          | 96          | 242                 |
|   | 18%         | 48%         | 20%         | 6%                         | 15%         | 21%                              | 19%         | 15%                                    | 19%         | 15%             | 14%          | 29%         | 21%                 |
| Don't know  | 9           | 5           | 2           | 1                          | 2           | 2                                | 2           | 3                                      | 2           | 1               | 4            | 4           | 13                  |
|   | 1%          | 3%          | 1%          | *                          | 1%          | 1%                               | 1%          | *                                      | *           | *               | 1%           | 1%          | 1%                  |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>                         | <b>3.71</b> | <b>1.61</b> | <b>2.89</b> | <b>4.78</b>                | <b>3.96</b> | <b>4.47</b>                      | <b>4.07</b> | <b>3.52</b>                            | <b>4.08</b> | <b>3.45</b>     | <b>4.04</b>  | <b>2.70</b> | <b>3.50</b>         |
| <b>Discussed Any</b>                                      | <b>935</b>  | <b>93</b>   | <b>372</b>  | <b>470</b>                 | <b>373</b>  | <b>149</b>                       | <b>270</b>  | <b>432</b>                             | <b>345</b>  | <b>402</b>      | <b>705</b>   | <b>229</b>  | <b>901</b>          |
|   | 81%         | 49%         | 79%         | 94%                        | 84%         | 79%                              | 80%         | 84%                                    | 81%         | 85%             | 85%          | 70%         | 78%                 |
| <b>Discussed 1</b>  | <b>236</b>  | <b>57</b>   | <b>121</b>  | <b>57</b>                  | <b>80</b>   | <b>34</b>                        | <b>56</b>   | <b>113</b>                             | <b>65</b>   | <b>109</b>      | <b>150</b>   | <b>85</b>   | <b>249</b>          |
|   | 20%         | 30%         | 26%         | 11%                        | 18%         | 18%                              | 17%         | 22%                                    | 15%         | 23%             | 18%          | 26%         | 22%                 |
| <b>Discussed 2</b>  | <b>185</b>  | <b>25</b>   | <b>87</b>   | <b>73</b>                  | <b>66</b>   | <b>19</b>                        | <b>50</b>   | <b>89</b>                              | <b>64</b>   | <b>81</b>       | <b>133</b>   | <b>52</b>   | <b>174</b>          |
|   | 16%         | 13%         | 18%         | 15%                        | 15%         | 10%                              | 15%         | 17%                                    | 15%         | 17%             | 16%          | 16%         | 15%                 |
| <b>Discussed 3</b>  | <b>110</b>  | <b>7</b>    | <b>46</b>   | <b>56</b>                  | <b>46</b>   | <b>20</b>                        | <b>31</b>   | <b>60</b>                              | <b>44</b>   | <b>51</b>       | <b>76</b>    | <b>34</b>   | <b>121</b>          |
|   | 9%          | 4%          | 10%         | 11%                        | 10%         | 11%                              | 9%          | 12%                                    | 10%         | 11%             | 9%           | 10%         | 10%                 |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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**Q.12 Which of these local, national and international issues, if any, have you discussed with your family or friends in the last year or so?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                     | Quiz score |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |           | Satisfaction with MPs in general |           | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |       | Use of internet |              | Unwtd total |                     |
|---------------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|-----------|--|-------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
|                     | Total      | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied | Dissatisfied                           | Agree | Disagree        | Use internet |             | Do not use internet |
| Discussed 4 or more | 405        | 4          | 117        | 283                        | 181       | 76                               | 133       | 170                                    | 173   | 161             | 346          | 59          | 357                 |
|                     | 35%        | 2%         | 25%        | 57%                        | 41%       | 40%                              | 40%       | 33%                                    | 40%   | 34%             | 42%          | 18%         | 31%                 |

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### Q.12 Which of these local, national and international issues, if any, have you discussed with your family or friends in the last year or so?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Seat marginality |                       |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |
|---|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|
|   | Total            | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |
| Unweighted total  | 1156             | 163                   | 351                      | 386                     | 419         | 96                    | 142                | 146                   | 228             | 62                    | 93              | 287                    | 102               | 1156        |
| Weighted total  | 1156             | 175                   | 373                      | 396                     | 387         | 116                   | 157                | 159                   | 191             | 66                    | 92              | 277                    | 99                | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                                     | <b>801</b>       | <b>113</b>            | <b>251</b>               | <b>263</b>              | <b>290</b>  | <b>72</b>             | <b>101</b>         | <b>92</b>             | <b>160</b>      | <b>49</b>             | <b>66</b>       | <b>209</b>             | <b>63</b>         | <b>1156</b> |
| MPs' expenses   | 826              | 130                   | 274                      | 291                     | 261         | 108                   | 149                | 136                   | 128             | 57                    | 48              | 156                    | 42                | 788         |
|   | 71%              | 74%                   | 73%                      | 73%                     | 67%         | 94%                   | 95%                | 86%                   | 67%             | 87%                   | 53%             | 56%                    | 43%               | 68%         |
| The leadership of the main political parties              | 458              | 78                    | 167                      | 173                     | 119         | 88                    | 128                | 81                    | 44              | 30                    | 5               | 78                     | 3                 | 406         |
|   | 40%              | 45%                   | 45%                      | 44%                     | 31%         | 76%                   | 82%                | 51%                   | 23%             | 46%                   | 6%              | 28%                    | 3%                | 35%         |
| The European Union  | 428              | 91                    | 177                      | 144                     | 107         | 81                    | 118                | 75                    | 34              | 32                    | 17              | 69                     | 2                 | 378         |
|   | 37%              | 52%                   | 47%                      | 36%                     | 28%         | 70%                   | 75%                | 47%                   | 18%             | 48%                   | 19%             | 25%                    | 2%                | 33%         |
| Local council elections                                   | 344              | 60                    | 139                      | 108                     | 96          | 66                    | 88                 | 68                    | 45              | 24                    | 13              | 36                     | 4                 | 330         |
|   | 30%              | 34%                   | 37%                      | 27%                     | 25%         | 57%                   | 56%                | 43%                   | 23%             | 36%                   | 14%             | 13%                    | 4%                | 29%         |
| How political parties raise or spend their money          | 305              | 63                    | 120                      | 121                     | 64          | 60                    | 73                 | 53                    | 32              | 14                    | 13              | 56                     | 3                 | 280         |
|   | 26%              | 36%                   | 32%                      | 31%                     | 16%         | 52%                   | 47%                | 33%                   | 17%             | 22%                   | 14%             | 20%                    | 3%                | 24%         |
| Devolution of central government powers to Scotland/Wales | 243              | 58                    | 100                      | 80                      | 62          | 61                    | 81                 | 40                    | 16              | 14                    | 1               | 27                     | 1                 | 218         |
|   | 21%              | 33%                   | 27%                      | 20%                     | 16%         | 53%                   | 52%                | 25%                   | 9%              | 22%                   | 2%              | 10%                    | 1%                | 19%         |
| The electoral system                                      | 215              | 52                    | 79                       | 91                      | 45          | 63                    | 55                 | 30                    | 15              | 15                    | 6               | 31                     | -                 | 193         |
|   | 19%              | 30%                   | 21%                      | 23%                     | 12%         | 55%                   | 35%                | 19%                   | 8%              | 23%                   | 7%              | 11%                    | -                 | 17%         |
| Reform of the House of Lords                              | 163              | 50                    | 83                       | 52                      | 28          | 52                    | 57                 | 23                    | 15              | 10                    | 1               | 5                      | -                 | 134         |
|   | 14%              | 28%                   | 22%                      | 13%                     | 7%          | 45%                   | 36%                | 14%                   | 8%              | 15%                   | 1%              | 2%                     | -                 | 12%         |
| Reform of the House of Commons                            | 122              | 28                    | 55                       | 39                      | 29          | 50                    | 31                 | 15                    | 10              | 9                     | 2               | 7                      | -                 | 106         |
|   | 11%              | 16%                   | 15%                      | 10%                     | 7%          | 43%                   | 20%                | 9%                    | 5%              | 13%                   | 2%              | 3%                     | -                 | 9%          |
| Local government reform/ election of local mayors         | 114              | 21                    | 43                       | 40                      | 31          | 29                    | 34                 | 16                    | 10              | 13                    | 1               | 9                      | *                 | 104         |
|   | 10%              | 12%                   | 12%                      | 10%                     | 8%          | 25%                   | 22%                | 10%                   | 5%              | 20%                   | 1%              | 3%                     | 1%                | 9%          |
| A written Bill of Rights                                  | 80               | 16                    | 36                       | 29                      | 16          | 31                    | 16                 | 9                     | 5               | 6                     | 3               | 8                      | 1                 | 68          |
|   | 7%               | 9%                    | 10%                      | 7%                      | 4%          | 27%                   | 11%                | 6%                    | 3%              | 10%                   | 3%              | 3%                     | 1%                | 6%          |
| Written constitution                                      | 78               | 24                    | 40                       | 26                      | 13          | 36                    | 21                 | 8                     | 6               | 4                     | -               | 2                      | -                 | 71          |
|   | 7%               | 14%                   | 11%                      | 7%                      | 3%          | 31%                   | 14%                | 5%                    | 3%              | 6%                    | -               | 1%                     | -                 | 6%          |
| Recall of MPs via a petition of their constituents        | 54               | 21                    | 31                       | 12                      | 11          | 24                    | 10                 | 7                     | 3               | 6                     | -               | 5                      | -                 | 45          |
|   | 5%               | 12%                   | 8%                       | 3%                      | 3%          | 21%                   | 6%                 | 4%                    | 1%              | 9%                    | -               | 2%                     | -                 | 4%          |
| Open primary selections                                   | 41               | 8                     | 13                       | 15                      | 14          | 12                    | 8                  | 8                     | 5               | 4                     | 2               | 2                      | -                 | 36          |
|   | 4%               | 5%                    | 3%                       | 4%                      | 4%          | 10%                   | 5%                 | 5%                    | 2%              | 6%                    | 3%              | 1%                     | -                 | 3%          |
| None of these   | 213              | 25                    | 57                       | 70                      | 86          | 4                     | 1                  | 9                     | 34              | 3                     | 31              | 81                     | 50                | 242         |
|   | 18%              | 15%                   | 15%                      | 18%                     | 22%         | 3%                    | *                  | 5%                    | 18%             | 5%                    | 34%             | 29%                    | 51%               | 21%         |
| Don't know  | 9                | 1                     | 4                        | 2                       | 2           | -                     | -                  | -                     | 1               | -                     | -               | 5                      | 3                 | 13          |
|   | 1%               | 1%                    | 1%                       | 1%                      | 1%          | -                     | -                  | -                     | 1%              | -                     | -               | 2%                     | 3%                | 1%          |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>                         | <b>3.71</b>      | <b>4.72</b>           | <b>4.35</b>              | <b>3.77</b>             | <b>3.00</b> | <b>6.81</b>           | <b>5.58</b>        | <b>3.78</b>           | <b>2.37</b>     | <b>3.80</b>           | <b>1.87</b>     | <b>2.57</b>            | <b>1.26</b>       | <b>3.50</b> |
| <b>Discussed Any</b>                                      | <b>935</b>       | <b>148</b>            | <b>312</b>               | <b>324</b>              | <b>299</b>  | <b>112</b>            | <b>156</b>         | <b>150</b>            | <b>156</b>      | <b>63</b>             | <b>61</b>       | <b>191</b>             | <b>46</b>         | <b>901</b>  |
|   | 81%              | 85%                   | 84%                      | 82%                     | 77%         | 97%                   | 100%               | 95%                   | 81%             | 95%                   | 66%             | 69%                    | 46%               | 78%         |
| <b>Discussed 1</b>  | <b>236</b>       | <b>22</b>             | <b>63</b>                | <b>73</b>               | <b>100</b>  | <b>3</b>              | <b>1</b>           | <b>20</b>             | <b>59</b>       | <b>16</b>             | <b>30</b>       | <b>69</b>              | <b>38</b>         | <b>249</b>  |
|   | 20%              | 13%                   | 17%                      | 18%                     | 26%         | 2%                    | 1%                 | 12%                   | 31%             | 24%                   | 33%             | 25%                    | 39%               | 22%         |
| <b>Discussed 2</b>  | <b>185</b>       | <b>26</b>             | <b>46</b>                | <b>68</b>               | <b>71</b>   | <b>7</b>              | <b>11</b>          | <b>40</b>             | <b>45</b>       | <b>16</b>             | <b>16</b>       | <b>45</b>              | <b>5</b>          | <b>174</b>  |
|   | 16%              | 15%                   | 12%                      | 17%                     | 18%         | 6%                    | 7%                 | 25%                   | 24%             | 24%                   | 17%             | 16%                    | 5%                | 15%         |
| <b>Discussed 3</b>  | <b>110</b>       | <b>16</b>             | <b>42</b>                | <b>34</b>               | <b>34</b>   | <b>5</b>              | <b>20</b>          | <b>17</b>             | <b>27</b>       | <b>5</b>              | <b>9</b>        | <b>26</b>              | <b>2</b>          | <b>121</b>  |
|   | 9%               | 9%                    | 11%                      | 9%                      | 9%          | 4%                    | 13%                | 11%                   | 14%             | 7%                    | 9%              | 9%                     | 2%                | 10%         |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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Table 99

**Q.12 Which of these local, national and international issues, if any, have you discussed with your family or friends in the last year or so?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |     |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-----|
|                            | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |     |
| <b>Total</b>               |                       |                          |                         |             |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   |             |     |
| <b>Discussed 4 or more</b> | 405                   | 84                       | 161                     | 150         | 93                    | 98                 | 123                   | 74              | 25                    | 27              | 6                      | 51                | 1           | 357 |
|                            | 35%                   | 48%                      | 43%                     | 38%         | 24%                   | 85%                | 79%                   | 46%             | 13%                   | 41%             | 7%                     | 18%               | 1%          | 31% |

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### Q.13 What is the name of your local Member of Parliament?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Gender                   |            | Age        |            |            |            |            |            |            |           |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                       | Male                     | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34      | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34     | 35-54      | 55+        | AB           | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands  | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| Unweighted total      | <b>1156</b>              | 552        | 604        | 138        | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135       | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | <b>1156</b>              | 561        | 595        | 173        | 183        | 216        | 186        | 169        | 117        | 111       | 356        | 402        | 398          | 310        | 333        | 241        | 272        | 642        | 514        | 387        | 411        | 358            | 306                   | 681                            | 169         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>               | <b>391</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>98</b>  | <b>145</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b> | <b>236</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>222</b> | <b>401</b> | <b>413</b> | <b>312</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| Gave right answer     | <b>511</b><br><b>44%</b> | 232<br>41% | 279<br>47% | 41<br>24%  | 60<br>33%  | 93<br>43%  | 86<br>46%  | 88<br>52%  | 73<br>62%  | 71<br>64% | 101<br>28% | 179<br>44% | 231<br>58%   | 160<br>52% | 147<br>44% | 100<br>42% | 104<br>38% | 307<br>48% | 204<br>40% | 149<br>39% | 223<br>54% | 139<br>39%     | 99<br>32%             | 320<br>47%                     | 92<br>55%   | 495<br>43%  |
| Gave another name     | <b>119</b><br><b>10%</b> | 68<br>12%  | 51<br>9%   | 17<br>10%  | 22<br>12%  | 21<br>10%  | 19<br>10%  | 19<br>11%  | 14<br>12%  | 8<br>7%   | 39<br>11%  | 39<br>10%  | 40<br>10%    | 36<br>12%  | 35<br>11%  | 17<br>7%   | 31<br>11%  | 71<br>11%  | 48<br>9%   | 52<br>13%  | 24<br>6%   | 42<br>12%      | 32<br>11%             | 73<br>11%                      | 13<br>8%    | 133<br>12%  |
| Don't know            | <b>526</b><br><b>46%</b> | 261<br>47% | 265<br>45% | 115<br>67% | 101<br>55% | 103<br>48% | 81<br>44%  | 63<br>37%  | 31<br>26%  | 33<br>29% | 216<br>61% | 184<br>46% | 126<br>32%   | 113<br>37% | 151<br>45% | 124<br>51% | 138<br>51% | 265<br>41% | 262<br>51% | 185<br>48% | 164<br>40% | 177<br>49%     | 175<br>57%            | 288<br>42%                     | 63<br>38%   | 528<br>46%  |

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### Q.13 What is the name of your local Member of Parliament?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education                      |                   |                                       |                  | Ethnicity  |            | GO Region  |           |           |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           | Unwtd total |            |             |
|-----------------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|                       | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/<br>CSE/<br>NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/<br>Masters/<br>/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME        | South East | Eastern   | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland   |             |
| Unweighted total      | <b>1156</b>    | 425        | 109         | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548                            | 318               | 183                                   | 258              | 274        | 1007       | 146        | 116       | 102       | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68        | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | <b>1156</b>    | 520        | 109         | 527                   | 372        | 287                  | 253        | 423        | 522                            | 320               | 213                                   | 287              | 219        | 1054       | 100        | 162       | 110       | 147        | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101        | 134        | 51        | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b> | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b>                     | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                            | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b> | <b>703</b> | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b> | <b>72</b> | <b>86</b>  | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b> | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| Gave right answer     | <b>511</b>     | 225        | 41          | 245                   | 145        | 115                  | 148        | 190        | 192                            | 130               | 90                                    | 137              | 102        | 484        | 27         | 86        | 48        | 78         | 59            | 29            | 39                       | 42         | 59         | 11        | 22          | 38         | 495         |
|                       | <b>44%</b>     | 43%        | 37%         | 46%                   | 39%        | 40%                  | 59%        | 45%        | 37%                            | 41%               | 42%                                   | 48%              | 47%        | 46%        | 27%        | 53%       | 44%       | 54%        | 57%           | 28%           | 45%                      | 42%        | 44%        | 21%       | 38%         | 37%        | 43%         |
| Gave another name     | <b>119</b>     | 56         | 11          | 52                    | 36         | 32                   | 28         | 37         | 56                             | 30                | 13                                    | 42               | 24         | 106        | 12         | 12        | 8         | 11         | 1             | 18            | 4                        | 11         | 16         | 7         | 12          | 18         | 133         |
|                       | <b>10%</b>     | 11%        | 10%         | 10%                   | 10%        | 11%                  | 11%        | 9%         | 11%                            | 9%                | 6%                                    | 15%              | 11%        | 10%        | 12%        | 8%        | 7%        | 8%         | 1%            | 18%           | 5%                       | 11%        | 12%        | 14%       | 20%         | 18%        | 12%         |
| Don't know            | <b>526</b>     | 239        | 58          | 230                   | 191        | 140                  | 76         | 196        | 274                            | 160               | 111                                   | 108              | 93         | 465        | 61         | 64        | 53        | 57         | 43            | 56            | 43                       | 48         | 59         | 33        | 24          | 46         | 528         |
|                       | <b>46%</b>     | 46%        | 53%         | 44%                   | 51%        | 49%                  | 30%        | 46%        | 53%                            | 50%               | 52%                                   | 38%              | 42%        | 44%        | 61%        | 39%       | 48%       | 39%        | 42%           | 54%           | 50%                      | 47%        | 44%        | 65%       | 42%         | 45%        | 46%         |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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Table 102

### Q.13 What is the name of your local Member of Parliament?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Urbanity                 |            |           | Interest in politics |            | Likelihood to vote |            | Political activism |            | Opinion on present system |            | Knew local MP     |             | Unwtd total |             |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------|-----------|----------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|---------------------------|------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|                       | Total                    | Urban      | Rural     | Mixed                | Interested | Not interested     | Certain to | Certain not to     | Activist   | Non-activist              | Works well | Needs improvement | Yes         |             | No          |
| Unweighted total      | <b>1156</b>              | 773        | 145       | 238                  | 580        | 569                | 627        | 143                | 160        | 996                       | 327        | 783               | 495         | 661         | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | <b>1156</b>              | 784        | 136       | 235                  | 611        | 539                | 619        | 140                | 180        | 976                       | 322        | 793               | 511         | 645         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b> | <b>97</b> | <b>170</b>           | <b>404</b> | <b>394</b>         | <b>430</b> | <b>96</b>          | <b>118</b> | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b> | <b>543</b>        | <b>339</b>  | <b>464</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| Gave right answer     | <b>511</b><br><b>44%</b> | 352<br>45% | 55<br>41% | 104<br>44%           | 319<br>52% | 190<br>35%         | 332<br>54% | 25<br>18%          | 109<br>61% | 402<br>41%                | 145<br>45% | 352<br>44%        | 511<br>100% | -           | 495<br>43%  |
| Gave another name     | <b>119</b><br><b>10%</b> | 65<br>8%   | 17<br>13% | 36<br>15%            | 66<br>11%  | 53<br>10%          | 60<br>10%  | 19<br>14%          | 25<br>14%  | 93<br>10%                 | 41<br>13%  | 75<br>10%         | -           | 119<br>18%  | 133<br>12%  |
| Don't know            | <b>526</b><br><b>46%</b> | 367<br>47% | 64<br>47% | 95<br>41%            | 226<br>37% | 296<br>55%         | 227<br>37% | 95<br>68%          | 45<br>25%  | 481<br>49%                | 136<br>42% | 366<br>46%        | -           | 526<br>82%  | 528<br>46%  |



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Table 103

### Q.13 What is the name of your local Member of Parliament?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Quiz score |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |            | Satisfaction with MPs in general |            | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |              | Unwtd total |                     |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|--|------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
|                       | Total      | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                           | Agree      | Disagree        | Use internet |             | Do not use internet |
| Unweighted total      | 1156       | 210        | 463        | 483                        | 459        | 183                              | 349        | 502                                    | 438        | 450             | 762          | 394         | 1156                |
| Weighted total        | 1156       | 187        | 470        | 499                        | 444        | 190                              | 336        | 515                                    | 427        | 474             | 826          | 330         | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b> | <b>150</b> | <b>310</b> | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b> | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b> | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b> | <b>302</b>      | <b>540</b>   | <b>269</b>  | <b>1156</b>         |
| Gave right answer     | 511<br>44% | 53<br>28%  | 185<br>39% | 273<br>55%                 | 298<br>67% | 82<br>43%                        | 174<br>52% | 238<br>46%                             | 199<br>47% | 205<br>43%      | 346<br>42%   | 165<br>50%  | 495<br>43%          |
| Gave another name     | 119<br>10% | 19<br>10%  | 39<br>8%   | 60<br>12%                  | 33<br>8%   | 20<br>10%                        | 31<br>9%   | 48<br>9%                               | 42<br>10%  | 50<br>11%       | 84<br>10%    | 34<br>10%   | 133<br>12%          |
| Don't know            | 526<br>46% | 115<br>62% | 245<br>52% | 166<br>33%                 | 112<br>25% | 88<br>46%                        | 131<br>39% | 229<br>45%                             | 186<br>44% | 219<br>46%      | 396<br>48%   | 130<br>40%  | 528<br>46%          |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 104

### Q.13 What is the name of your local Member of Parliament?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |             |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                       | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |             |
| Unweighted total      | 1156                  | 163                      | 351                     | 386         | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146             | 228                   | 62              | 93                     | 287               | 102         | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | 1156                  | 175                      | 373                     | 396         | 387                   | 116                | 157                   | 159             | 191                   | 66              | 92                     | 277               | 99          | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>            | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>              | <b>263</b>  | <b>290</b>            | <b>72</b>          | <b>101</b>            | <b>92</b>       | <b>160</b>            | <b>49</b>       | <b>66</b>              | <b>209</b>        | <b>63</b>   | <b>1156</b> |
| Gave right answer     | 511<br>44%            | 76<br>43%                | 181<br>49%              | 152<br>38%  | 178<br>46%            | 83<br>72%          | 90<br>57%             | 81<br>51%       | 86<br>45%             | 36<br>54%       | 87<br>94%              | 37<br>13%         | 11<br>11%   | 495<br>43%  |
| Gave another name     | 119<br>10%            | 23<br>13%                | 34<br>9%                | 50<br>13%   | 35<br>9%              | 13<br>11%          | 18<br>11%             | 8<br>5%         | 23<br>12%             | 7<br>11%        | *<br>*                 | 36<br>13%         | 13<br>13%   | 133<br>12%  |
| Don't know            | 526<br>46%            | 77<br>44%                | 158<br>42%              | 194<br>49%  | 174<br>45%            | 19<br>17%          | 49<br>31%             | 70<br>44%       | 82<br>43%             | 23<br>34%       | 5<br>5%                | 204<br>74%        | 75<br>76%   | 528<br>46%  |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 105

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- Cabinet ministers stop being MPs when they become a minister -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Gender     |            | Age        |           |            |            |            |            |            |           |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                       | Male       | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34     | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34     | 35-54      | 55+        | AB           | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands  | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| Unweighted total      | 1156       | 552        | 604        | 138       | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135       | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | 1156       | 561        | 595        | 173       | 183        | 216        | 186        | 169        | 117        | 111       | 356        | 402        | 398          | 310        | 333        | 241        | 272        | 642        | 514        | 387        | 411        | 358            | 306                   | 681                            | 169         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b> | <b>391</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>98</b> | <b>145</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b> | <b>236</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>222</b> | <b>401</b> | <b>413</b> | <b>312</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | 134        | 74         | 60         | 25        | 20         | 33         | 19         | 17         | 13         | 9         | 45         | 52         | 38           | 20         | 39         | 35         | 41         | 59         | 75         | 50         | 42         | 42             | 52                    | 68                             | 15          | 152         |
|                       | 12%        | 13%        | 10%        | 15%       | 11%        | 15%        | 10%        | 10%        | 11%        | 8%        | 13%        | 13%        | 10%          | 6%         | 12%        | 14%        | 15%        | 9%         | 15%        | 13%        | 10%        | 12%            | 17%                   | 10%                            | 9%          | 13%         |
| False                 | 689        | 353        | 336        | 77        | 82         | 127        | 129        | 114        | 84         | 77        | 159        | 256        | 275          | 245        | 207        | 122        | 114        | 453        | 237        | 207        | 276        | 206            | 142                   | 441                            | 106         | 661         |
|                       | 60%        | 63%        | 57%        | 44%       | 45%        | 59%        | 70%        | 67%        | 71%        | 69%       | 45%        | 64%        | 69%          | 79%        | 62%        | 51%        | 42%        | 70%        | 46%        | 54%        | 67%        | 58%            | 46%                   | 65%                            | 63%         | 57%         |
| Don't know            | 333        | 134        | 198        | 71        | 82         | 56         | 38         | 39         | 21         | 26        | 153        | 94         | 85           | 44         | 86         | 85         | 117        | 131        | 202        | 129        | 94         | 110            | 112                   | 172                            | 48          | 343         |
|                       | 29%        | 24%        | 33%        | 41%       | 44%        | 26%        | 20%        | 23%        | 18%        | 23%       | 43%        | 23%        | 21%          | 14%        | 26%        | 35%        | 43%        | 20%        | 39%        | 33%        | 23%        | 31%            | 37%                   | 25%                            | 29%         | 30%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>689</b> | <b>353</b> | <b>336</b> | <b>77</b> | <b>82</b>  | <b>127</b> | <b>129</b> | <b>114</b> | <b>84</b>  | <b>77</b> | <b>159</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>275</b>   | <b>245</b> | <b>207</b> | <b>122</b> | <b>114</b> | <b>453</b> | <b>237</b> | <b>207</b> | <b>276</b> | <b>206</b>     | <b>142</b>            | <b>441</b>                     | <b>106</b>  | <b>661</b>  |
|                       | 60%        | 63%        | 57%        | 44%       | 45%        | 59%        | 70%        | 67%        | 71%        | 69%       | 45%        | 64%        | 69%          | 79%        | 62%        | 51%        | 42%        | 70%        | 46%        | 54%        | 67%        | 58%            | 46%                   | 65%                            | 63%         | 57%         |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>134</b> | <b>74</b>  | <b>60</b>  | <b>25</b> | <b>20</b>  | <b>33</b>  | <b>19</b>  | <b>17</b>  | <b>13</b>  | <b>9</b>  | <b>45</b>  | <b>52</b>  | <b>38</b>    | <b>20</b>  | <b>39</b>  | <b>35</b>  | <b>41</b>  | <b>59</b>  | <b>75</b>  | <b>50</b>  | <b>42</b>  | <b>42</b>      | <b>52</b>             | <b>68</b>                      | <b>15</b>   | <b>152</b>  |
|                       | 12%        | 13%        | 10%        | 15%       | 11%        | 15%        | 10%        | 10%        | 11%        | 8%        | 13%        | 13%        | 10%          | 6%         | 12%        | 14%        | 15%        | 9%         | 15%        | 13%        | 10%        | 12%            | 17%                   | 10%                            | 9%          | 13%         |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 106

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- Cabinet ministers stop being MPs when they become a minister -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity  |            | GO Region  |            |           |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           | Unwtd total |            |             |
|-----------------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|                       | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME        | South East | Eastern    | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland   |             |
| Unweighted total      | 1156           | 425        | 109         | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548                    | 318               | 183                          | 258              | 274        | 1007       | 146        | 116        | 102       | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68        | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | 1156           | 520        | 109         | 527                   | 372        | 287                  | 253        | 423        | 522                    | 320               | 213                          | 287              | 219        | 1054       | 100        | 162        | 110       | 147        | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101        | 134        | 51        | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b> | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b>             | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b> | <b>703</b> | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b>  | <b>72</b> | <b>86</b>  | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b> | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | 134            | 60         | 18          | 57                    | 38         | 41                   | 11         | 65         | 63                     | 46                | 20                           | 24               | 33         | 108        | 26         | 11         | 14        | 15         | 15            | 16            | 7                        | 12         | 25         | 5         | 6           | 8          | 152         |
|                       | 12%            | 11%        | 16%         | 11%                   | 10%        | 14%                  | 4%         | 15%        | 12%                    | 14%               | 9%                           | 8%               | 15%        | 10%        | 26%        | 7%         | 13%       | 10%        | 14%           | 15%           | 8%                       | 11%        | 19%        | 11%       | 11%         | 8%         | 13%         |
| False                 | 689            | 324        | 60          | 305                   | 207        | 157                  | 217        | 217        | 285                    | 164               | 131                          | 226              | 87         | 655        | 33         | 124        | 68        | 83         | 68            | 51            | 56                       | 65         | 51         | 28        | 31          | 63         | 661         |
|                       | 60%            | 62%        | 55%         | 58%                   | 56%        | 55%                  | 86%        | 51%        | 55%                    | 51%               | 62%                          | 79%              | 40%        | 62%        | 33%        | 77%        | 62%       | 57%        | 66%           | 49%           | 65%                      | 65%        | 38%        | 56%       | 53%         | 62%        | 57%         |
| Don't know            | 333            | 136        | 31          | 166                   | 126        | 89                   | 25         | 141        | 174                    | 110               | 62                           | 37               | 99         | 291        | 41         | 26         | 28        | 48         | 20            | 37            | 24                       | 24         | 58         | 17        | 21          | 30         | 343         |
|                       | 29%            | 26%        | 28%         | 31%                   | 34%        | 31%                  | 10%        | 33%        | 33%                    | 34%               | 29%                          | 13%              | 45%        | 28%        | 41%        | 16%        | 25%       | 33%        | 19%           | 36%           | 28%                      | 24%        | 43%        | 34%       | 36%         | 30%        | 30%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>689</b>     | <b>324</b> | <b>60</b>   | <b>305</b>            | <b>207</b> | <b>157</b>           | <b>217</b> | <b>217</b> | <b>285</b>             | <b>164</b>        | <b>131</b>                   | <b>226</b>       | <b>87</b>  | <b>655</b> | <b>33</b>  | <b>124</b> | <b>68</b> | <b>83</b>  | <b>68</b>     | <b>51</b>     | <b>56</b>                | <b>65</b>  | <b>51</b>  | <b>28</b> | <b>31</b>   | <b>63</b>  | <b>661</b>  |
|                       | 60%            | 62%        | 55%         | 58%                   | 56%        | 55%                  | 86%        | 51%        | 55%                    | 51%               | 62%                          | 79%              | 40%        | 62%        | 33%        | 77%        | 62%       | 57%        | 66%           | 49%           | 65%                      | 65%        | 38%        | 56%       | 53%         | 62%        | 57%         |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>134</b>     | <b>60</b>  | <b>18</b>   | <b>57</b>             | <b>38</b>  | <b>41</b>            | <b>11</b>  | <b>65</b>  | <b>63</b>              | <b>46</b>         | <b>20</b>                    | <b>24</b>        | <b>33</b>  | <b>108</b> | <b>26</b>  | <b>11</b>  | <b>14</b> | <b>15</b>  | <b>15</b>     | <b>16</b>     | <b>7</b>                 | <b>12</b>  | <b>25</b>  | <b>5</b>  | <b>6</b>    | <b>8</b>   | <b>152</b>  |
|                       | 12%            | 11%        | 16%         | 11%                   | 10%        | 14%                  | 4%         | 15%        | 12%                    | 14%               | 9%                           | 8%               | 15%        | 10%        | 26%        | 7%         | 13%       | 10%        | 14%           | 15%           | 8%                       | 11%        | 19%        | 11%       | 11%         | 8%         | 13%         |

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Table 107

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- Cabinet ministers stop being MPs when they become a minister -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Total      | Urbanity   |            |            | Interest in politics |                | Likelihood to vote |                | Political activism |              | Opinion on present system |                   | Knew local MP |            | Unwtd total |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|
|                       |            | Urban      | Rural      | Mixed      | Interested           | Not interested | Certain to         | Certain not to | Activist           | Non-activist | Works well                | Needs improvement | Yes           | No         |             |
| Unweighted total      | 1156       | 773        | 145        | 238        | 580                  | 569            | 627                | 143            | 160                | 996          | 327                       | 783               | 495           | 661        | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | 1156       | 784        | 136        | 235        | 611                  | 539            | 619                | 140            | 180                | 976          | 322                       | 793               | 511           | 645        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b> | <b>535</b> | <b>97</b>  | <b>170</b> | <b>404</b>           | <b>394</b>     | <b>430</b>         | <b>96</b>      | <b>118</b>         | <b>684</b>   | <b>232</b>                | <b>543</b>        | <b>339</b>    | <b>464</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | 134        | 89         | 21         | 25         | 56                   | 79             | 67                 | 15             | 11                 | 124          | 44                        | 88                | 54            | 81         | 152         |
|                       | 12%        | 11%        | 15%        | 11%        | 9%                   | 15%            | 11%                | 11%            | 6%                 | 13%          | 14%                       | 11%               | 11%           | 13%        | 13%         |
| False                 | 689        | 459        | 89         | 141        | 469                  | 220            | 444                | 56             | 157                | 532          | 186                       | 489               | 355           | 334        | 661         |
|                       | 60%        | 59%        | 65%        | 60%        | 77%                  | 41%            | 72%                | 40%            | 88%                | 54%          | 58%                       | 62%               | 69%           | 52%        | 57%         |
| Don't know            | 333        | 237        | 27         | 69         | 86                   | 240            | 107                | 69             | 12                 | 321          | 91                        | 217               | 102           | 230        | 343         |
|                       | 29%        | 30%        | 20%        | 29%        | 14%                  | 45%            | 17%                | 49%            | 6%                 | 33%          | 28%                       | 27%               | 20%           | 36%        | 30%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>689</b> | <b>459</b> | <b>89</b>  | <b>141</b> | <b>469</b>           | <b>220</b>     | <b>444</b>         | <b>56</b>      | <b>157</b>         | <b>532</b>   | <b>186</b>                | <b>489</b>        | <b>355</b>    | <b>334</b> | <b>661</b>  |
|                       | <b>60%</b> | <b>59%</b> | <b>65%</b> | <b>60%</b> | <b>77%</b>           | <b>41%</b>     | <b>72%</b>         | <b>40%</b>     | <b>88%</b>         | <b>54%</b>   | <b>58%</b>                | <b>62%</b>        | <b>69%</b>    | <b>52%</b> | <b>57%</b>  |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>134</b> | <b>89</b>  | <b>21</b>  | <b>25</b>  | <b>56</b>            | <b>79</b>      | <b>67</b>          | <b>15</b>      | <b>11</b>          | <b>124</b>   | <b>44</b>                 | <b>88</b>         | <b>54</b>     | <b>81</b>  | <b>152</b>  |
|                       | <b>12%</b> | <b>11%</b> | <b>15%</b> | <b>11%</b> | <b>9%</b>            | <b>15%</b>     | <b>11%</b>         | <b>11%</b>     | <b>6%</b>          | <b>13%</b>   | <b>14%</b>                | <b>11%</b>        | <b>11%</b>    | <b>13%</b> | <b>13%</b>  |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 108

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- Cabinet ministers stop being MPs when they become a minister -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Quiz score |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |            | Satisfaction with MPs in general |            | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |              | Unwtd total |                     |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|--|------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
|                       | Total      | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                           | Agree      | Disagree        | Use internet |             | Do not use internet |
| Unweighted total      | 1156       | 210        | 463        | 483                        | 459        | 183                              | 349        | 502                                    | 438        | 450             | 762          | 394         | 1156                |
| Weighted total        | 1156       | 187        | 470        | 499                        | 444        | 190                              | 336        | 515                                    | 427        | 474             | 826          | 330         | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b> | <b>150</b> | <b>310</b> | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b> | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b> | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b> | <b>302</b>      | <b>540</b>   | <b>269</b>  | <b>1156</b>         |
| True                  | 134        | 33         | 82         | 19                         | 54         | 33                               | 47         | 61                                     | 57         | 52              | 88           | 46          | 152                 |
|                       | 12%        | 18%        | 17%        | 4%                         | 12%        | 17%                              | 14%        | 12%                                    | 13%        | 11%             | 11%          | 14%         | 13%                 |
| False                 | 689        | 15         | 211        | 463                        | 299        | 105                              | 219        | 303                                    | 276        | 261             | 522          | 167         | 661                 |
|                       | 60%        | 8%         | 45%        | 93%                        | 67%        | 55%                              | 65%        | 59%                                    | 64%        | 55%             | 63%          | 51%         | 57%                 |
| Don't know            | 333        | 139        | 177        | 17                         | 91         | 52                               | 70         | 150                                    | 95         | 161             | 216          | 117         | 343                 |
|                       | 29%        | 74%        | 38%        | 3%                         | 20%        | 27%                              | 21%        | 29%                                    | 22%        | 34%             | 26%          | 35%         | 30%                 |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>689</b> | <b>15</b>  | <b>211</b> | <b>463</b>                 | <b>299</b> | <b>105</b>                       | <b>219</b> | <b>303</b>                             | <b>276</b> | <b>261</b>      | <b>522</b>   | <b>167</b>  | <b>661</b>          |
|                       | 60%        | 8%         | 45%        | 93%                        | 67%        | 55%                              | 65%        | 59%                                    | 64%        | 55%             | 63%          | 51%         | 57%                 |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>134</b> | <b>33</b>  | <b>82</b>  | <b>19</b>                  | <b>54</b>  | <b>33</b>                        | <b>47</b>  | <b>61</b>                              | <b>57</b>  | <b>52</b>       | <b>88</b>    | <b>46</b>   | <b>152</b>          |
|                       | 12%        | 18%        | 17%        | 4%                         | 12%        | 17%                              | 14%        | 12%                                    | 13%        | 11%             | 11%          | 14%         | 13%                 |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 109

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- Cabinet ministers stop being MPs when they become a minister -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |             |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                       | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |             |
| Unweighted total      | <b>1156</b>           | 163                      | 351                     | 386         | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146             | 228                   | 62              | 93                     | 287               | 102         | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | <b>1156</b>           | 175                      | 373                     | 396         | 387                   | 116                | 157                   | 159             | 191                   | 66              | 92                     | 277               | 99          | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>            | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>              | <b>263</b>  | <b>290</b>            | <b>72</b>          | <b>101</b>            | <b>92</b>       | <b>160</b>            | <b>49</b>       | <b>66</b>              | <b>209</b>        | <b>63</b>   | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | <b>134</b>            | 18                       | 40                      | 49          | 45                    | 5                  | 13                    | 10              | 25                    | 4               | 25                     | 47                | 7           | 152         |
|                       | <b>12%</b>            | 10%                      | 11%                     | 12%         | 12%                   | 4%                 | 8%                    | 6%              | 13%                   | 6%              | 28%                    | 17%               | 7%          | 13%         |
| False                 | <b>689</b>            | 123                      | 244                     | 232         | 213                   | 107                | 126                   | 119             | 105                   | 50              | 40                     | 120               | 22          | 661         |
|                       | <b>60%</b>            | 70%                      | 66%                     | 59%         | 55%                   | 93%                | 80%                   | 75%             | 55%                   | 75%             | 43%                    | 43%               | 23%         | 57%         |
| Don't know            | <b>333</b>            | 34                       | 88                      | 115         | 130                   | 4                  | 18                    | 30              | 62                    | 12              | 27                     | 111               | 69          | 343         |
|                       | <b>29%</b>            | 19%                      | 24%                     | 29%         | 34%                   | 3%                 | 11%                   | 19%             | 32%                   | 19%             | 29%                    | 40%               | 70%         | 30%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>689</b>            | <b>123</b>               | <b>244</b>              | <b>232</b>  | <b>213</b>            | <b>107</b>         | <b>126</b>            | <b>119</b>      | <b>105</b>            | <b>50</b>       | <b>40</b>              | <b>120</b>        | <b>22</b>   | <b>661</b>  |
|                       | <b>60%</b>            | <b>70%</b>               | <b>66%</b>              | <b>59%</b>  | <b>55%</b>            | <b>93%</b>         | <b>80%</b>            | <b>75%</b>      | <b>55%</b>            | <b>75%</b>      | <b>43%</b>             | <b>43%</b>        | <b>23%</b>  | <b>57%</b>  |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>134</b>            | 18                       | 40                      | 49          | 45                    | 5                  | 13                    | 10              | 25                    | 4               | 25                     | 47                | 7           | 152         |
|                       | <b>12%</b>            | 10%                      | 11%                     | 12%         | 12%                   | 4%                 | 8%                    | 6%              | 13%                   | 6%              | 28%                    | 17%               | 7%          | 13%         |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 110

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- British members of the European Parliament are directly elected by British voters every five years -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Gender     |            | Age        |           |            |            |            |            |            |           |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                       | Male       | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34     | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34     | 35-54      | 55+        | AB           | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands  | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| Unweighted total      | 1156       | 552        | 604        | 138       | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135       | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | 1156       | 561        | 595        | 173       | 183        | 216        | 186        | 169        | 117        | 111       | 356        | 402        | 398          | 310        | 333        | 241        | 272        | 642        | 514        | 387        | 411        | 358            | 306                   | 681                            | 169         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b> | <b>391</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>98</b> | <b>145</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b> | <b>236</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>222</b> | <b>401</b> | <b>413</b> | <b>312</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | 650        | 354        | 296        | 90        | 87         | 115        | 111        | 109        | 78         | 60        | 177        | 226        | 247          | 205        | 188        | 134        | 122        | 393        | 257        | 213        | 251        | 186            | 163                   | 404                            | 82          | 656         |
|                       | 56%        | 63%        | 50%        | 52%       | 47%        | 53%        | 60%        | 65%        | 66%        | 54%       | 50%        | 56%        | 62%          | 66%        | 57%        | 56%        | 45%        | 61%        | 50%        | 55%        | 61%        | 52%            | 53%                   | 59%                            | 49%         | 57%         |
| False                 | 220        | 101        | 120        | 34        | 32         | 46         | 34         | 34         | 18         | 23        | 66         | 80         | 75           | 49         | 63         | 48         | 61         | 112        | 109        | 70         | 67         | 83             | 57                    | 129                            | 34          | 204         |
|                       | 19%        | 18%        | 20%        | 20%       | 17%        | 21%        | 18%        | 20%        | 15%        | 21%       | 18%        | 20%        | 19%          | 16%        | 19%        | 20%        | 22%        | 17%        | 21%        | 18%        | 16%        | 23%            | 19%                   | 19%                            | 20%         | 18%         |
| Don't know            | 286        | 107        | 179        | 50        | 64         | 55         | 41         | 26         | 22         | 28        | 114        | 96         | 76           | 56         | 81         | 59         | 89         | 137        | 149        | 103        | 93         | 89             | 86                    | 147                            | 53          | 296         |
|                       | 25%        | 19%        | 30%        | 29%       | 35%        | 25%        | 22%        | 15%        | 18%        | 25%       | 32%        | 24%        | 19%          | 18%        | 24%        | 25%        | 33%        | 21%        | 29%        | 27%        | 23%        | 25%            | 28%                   | 22%                            | 31%         | 26%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>650</b> | <b>354</b> | <b>296</b> | <b>90</b> | <b>87</b>  | <b>115</b> | <b>111</b> | <b>109</b> | <b>78</b>  | <b>60</b> | <b>177</b> | <b>226</b> | <b>247</b>   | <b>205</b> | <b>188</b> | <b>134</b> | <b>122</b> | <b>393</b> | <b>257</b> | <b>213</b> | <b>251</b> | <b>186</b>     | <b>163</b>            | <b>404</b>                     | <b>82</b>   | <b>656</b>  |
|                       | 56%        | 63%        | 50%        | 52%       | 47%        | 53%        | 60%        | 65%        | 66%        | 54%       | 50%        | 56%        | 62%          | 66%        | 57%        | 56%        | 45%        | 61%        | 50%        | 55%        | 61%        | 52%            | 53%                   | 59%                            | 49%         | 57%         |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>220</b> | <b>101</b> | <b>120</b> | <b>34</b> | <b>32</b>  | <b>46</b>  | <b>34</b>  | <b>34</b>  | <b>18</b>  | <b>23</b> | <b>66</b>  | <b>80</b>  | <b>75</b>    | <b>49</b>  | <b>63</b>  | <b>48</b>  | <b>61</b>  | <b>112</b> | <b>109</b> | <b>70</b>  | <b>67</b>  | <b>83</b>      | <b>57</b>             | <b>129</b>                     | <b>34</b>   | <b>204</b>  |
|                       | 19%        | 18%        | 20%        | 20%       | 17%        | 21%        | 18%        | 20%        | 15%        | 21%       | 18%        | 20%        | 19%          | 16%        | 19%        | 20%        | 22%        | 17%        | 21%        | 18%        | 16%        | 23%            | 19%                   | 19%                            | 20%         | 18%         |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 111

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- British members of the European Parliament are directly elected by British voters every five years -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Total             | Working status    |                  |                   | Children in household |                   | Newspaper readership |                   |                   | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity         |                  | GO Region        |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                          |                  |                  |                  | Unwtd total      |                   |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|
|                       |                   | Full time         | Part time        | Not working       | Yes                   | No                | Quality              | Popular           | None              | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White             | BME              | South East       | Eastern          | London           | South West       | West Midlands    | East Midlands    | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West       | North East       | Wales            |                  | Scotland          |
| Unweighted total      | 1156              | 425               | 109              | 622               | 360                   | 234               | 201                  | 445               | 548               | 318                    | 183               | 258                          | 274              | 1007              | 146              | 116              | 102              | 121              | 102              | 109              | 71               | 91                       | 122              | 68               | 97               | 157              | 1156              |
| Weighted total        | 1156              | 520               | 109              | 527               | 372                   | 287               | 253                  | 423               | 522               | 320                    | 213               | 287                          | 219              | 1054              | 100              | 162              | 110              | 147              | 103              | 104              | 87               | 101                      | 134              | 51               | 58               | 102              | 1156              |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>        | <b>306</b>        | <b>78</b>        | <b>438</b>        | <b>245</b>            | <b>163</b>        | <b>143</b>           | <b>313</b>        | <b>382</b>        | <b>224</b>             | <b>123</b>        | <b>188</b>                   | <b>201</b>       | <b>703</b>        | <b>115</b>       | <b>90</b>        | <b>72</b>        | <b>86</b>        | <b>79</b>        | <b>75</b>        | <b>48</b>        | <b>71</b>                | <b>90</b>        | <b>51</b>        | <b>76</b>        | <b>118</b>       | <b>1156</b>       |
| True                  | 650<br>56%        | 289<br>56%        | 66<br>61%        | 294<br>56%        | 185<br>50%            | 157<br>55%        | 172<br>68%           | 229<br>54%        | 273<br>52%        | 154<br>48%             | 123<br>58%        | 203<br>71%                   | 94<br>43%        | 597<br>57%        | 51<br>51%        | 95<br>59%        | 60<br>55%        | 90<br>61%        | 66<br>64%        | 49<br>47%        | 39<br>45%        | 60<br>60%                | 72<br>54%        | 24<br>47%        | 38<br>65%        | 57<br>56%        | 656<br>57%        |
| False                 | 220<br>19%        | 109<br>21%        | 16<br>14%        | 96<br>18%         | 75<br>20%             | 58<br>20%         | 42<br>17%            | 80<br>19%         | 106<br>20%        | 76<br>24%              | 48<br>23%         | 35<br>12%                    | 38<br>17%        | 206<br>20%        | 14<br>14%        | 38<br>23%        | 24<br>22%        | 14<br>9%         | 15<br>15%        | 25<br>24%        | 27<br>31%        | 17<br>17%                | 24<br>18%        | 12<br>24%        | 7<br>12%         | 17<br>17%        | 204<br>18%        |
| Don't know            | 286<br>25%        | 122<br>23%        | 27<br>25%        | 137<br>26%        | 112<br>30%            | 72<br>25%         | 39<br>15%            | 114<br>27%        | 143<br>27%        | 90<br>28%              | 42<br>20%         | 48<br>17%                    | 87<br>40%        | 251<br>24%        | 35<br>35%        | 29<br>18%        | 25<br>23%        | 43<br>29%        | 22<br>21%        | 29<br>28%        | 21<br>24%        | 23<br>23%                | 38<br>28%        | 15<br>29%        | 14<br>23%        | 27<br>27%        | 296<br>26%        |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>650</b><br>56% | <b>289</b><br>56% | <b>66</b><br>61% | <b>294</b><br>56% | <b>185</b><br>50%     | <b>157</b><br>55% | <b>172</b><br>68%    | <b>229</b><br>54% | <b>273</b><br>52% | <b>154</b><br>48%      | <b>123</b><br>58% | <b>203</b><br>71%            | <b>94</b><br>43% | <b>597</b><br>57% | <b>51</b><br>51% | <b>95</b><br>59% | <b>60</b><br>55% | <b>90</b><br>61% | <b>66</b><br>64% | <b>49</b><br>47% | <b>39</b><br>45% | <b>60</b><br>60%         | <b>72</b><br>54% | <b>24</b><br>47% | <b>38</b><br>65% | <b>57</b><br>56% | <b>656</b><br>57% |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>220</b><br>19% | <b>109</b><br>21% | <b>16</b><br>14% | <b>96</b><br>18%  | <b>75</b><br>20%      | <b>58</b><br>20%  | <b>42</b><br>17%     | <b>80</b><br>19%  | <b>106</b><br>20% | <b>76</b><br>24%       | <b>48</b><br>23%  | <b>35</b><br>12%             | <b>38</b><br>17% | <b>206</b><br>20% | <b>14</b><br>14% | <b>38</b><br>23% | <b>24</b><br>22% | <b>14</b><br>9%  | <b>15</b><br>15% | <b>25</b><br>24% | <b>27</b><br>31% | <b>17</b><br>17%         | <b>24</b><br>18% | <b>12</b><br>24% | <b>7</b><br>12%  | <b>17</b><br>17% | <b>204</b><br>18% |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 112

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Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Total      | Urbanity   |           |            | Interest in politics |                | Likelihood to vote |                | Political activism |              | Opinion on present system |                   | Knew local MP |            | Unwtd total |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|
|                       |            | Urban      | Rural     | Mixed      | Interested           | Not interested | Certain to         | Certain not to | Activist           | Non-activist | Works well                | Needs improvement | Yes           | No         |             |
| Unweighted total      | 1156       | 773        | 145       | 238        | 580                  | 569            | 627                | 143            | 160                | 996          | 327                       | 783               | 495           | 661        | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | 1156       | 784        | 136       | 235        | 611                  | 539            | 619                | 140            | 180                | 976          | 322                       | 793               | 511           | 645        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b> | <b>535</b> | <b>97</b> | <b>170</b> | <b>404</b>           | <b>394</b>     | <b>430</b>         | <b>96</b>      | <b>118</b>         | <b>684</b>   | <b>232</b>                | <b>543</b>        | <b>339</b>    | <b>464</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | 650        | 439        | 87        | 124        | 407                  | 238            | 403                | 56             | 143                | 506          | 190                       | 449               | 335           | 315        | 656         |
|                       | 56%        | 56%        | 64%       | 53%        | 67%                  | 44%            | 65%                | 40%            | 80%                | 52%          | 59%                       | 57%               | 65%           | 49%        | 57%         |
| False                 | 220        | 148        | 24        | 48         | 108                  | 113            | 107                | 34             | 16                 | 205          | 60                        | 156               | 80            | 140        | 204         |
|                       | 19%        | 19%        | 18%       | 20%        | 18%                  | 21%            | 17%                | 24%            | 9%                 | 21%          | 19%                       | 20%               | 16%           | 22%        | 18%         |
| Don't know            | 286        | 197        | 25        | 64         | 96                   | 188            | 109                | 50             | 21                 | 265          | 71                        | 188               | 96            | 190        | 296         |
|                       | 25%        | 25%        | 19%       | 27%        | 16%                  | 35%            | 18%                | 36%            | 11%                | 27%          | 22%                       | 24%               | 19%           | 29%        | 26%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>650</b> | <b>439</b> | <b>87</b> | <b>124</b> | <b>407</b>           | <b>238</b>     | <b>403</b>         | <b>56</b>      | <b>143</b>         | <b>506</b>   | <b>190</b>                | <b>449</b>        | <b>335</b>    | <b>315</b> | <b>656</b>  |
|                       | 56%        | 56%        | 64%       | 53%        | 67%                  | 44%            | 65%                | 40%            | 80%                | 52%          | 59%                       | 57%               | 65%           | 49%        | 57%         |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>220</b> | <b>148</b> | <b>24</b> | <b>48</b>  | <b>108</b>           | <b>113</b>     | <b>107</b>         | <b>34</b>      | <b>16</b>          | <b>205</b>   | <b>60</b>                 | <b>156</b>        | <b>80</b>     | <b>140</b> | <b>204</b>  |
|                       | 19%        | 19%        | 18%       | 20%        | 18%                  | 21%            | 17%                | 24%            | 9%                 | 21%          | 19%                       | 20%               | 16%           | 22%        | 18%         |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 113

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- British members of the European Parliament are directly elected by British voters every five years -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Total       | Quiz score |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |              | Satisfaction with MPs in general |              | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |                     | Unwtd total |
|-----------------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|--------------|--|------------|-----------------|---------------------|-------------|
|                       |             | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9 | Satisfied                  | Dissatisfied | Satisfied                        | Dissatisfied | Agree                                  | Disagree   | Use internet    | Do not use internet |             |
| Unweighted total      | <b>1156</b> | 210        | 463        | 483        | 459                        | 183          | 349                              | 502          | 438                                    | 450        | 762             | 394                 | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | <b>1156</b> | 187        | 470        | 499        | 444                        | 190          | 336                              | 515          | 427                                    | 474        | 826             | 330                 | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>  | <b>150</b> | <b>310</b> | <b>345</b> | <b>324</b>                 | <b>135</b>   | <b>264</b>                       | <b>330</b>   | <b>327</b>                             | <b>302</b> | <b>540</b>      | <b>269</b>          | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | <b>650</b>  | 45         | 205        | 400        | 292                        | 106          | 228                              | 271          | 273                                    | 253        | 482             | 168                 | 656         |
|                       | <b>56%</b>  | 24%        | 44%        | 80%        | 66%                        | 56%          | 68%                              | 53%          | 64%                                    | 53%        | 58%             | 51%                 | 57%         |
| False                 | <b>220</b>  | 15         | 141        | 64         | 76                         | 41           | 54                               | 115          | 79                                     | 94         | 157             | 63                  | 204         |
|                       | <b>19%</b>  | 8%         | 30%        | 13%        | 17%                        | 22%          | 16%                              | 22%          | 18%                                    | 20%        | 19%             | 19%                 | 18%         |
| Don't know            | <b>286</b>  | 127        | 123        | 35         | 75                         | 42           | 53                               | 129          | 76                                     | 127        | 187             | 99                  | 296         |
|                       | <b>25%</b>  | 68%        | 26%        | 7%         | 17%                        | 22%          | 16%                              | 25%          | 18%                                    | 27%        | 23%             | 30%                 | 26%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>650</b>  | <b>45</b>  | <b>205</b> | <b>400</b> | <b>292</b>                 | <b>106</b>   | <b>228</b>                       | <b>271</b>   | <b>273</b>                             | <b>253</b> | <b>482</b>      | <b>168</b>          | <b>656</b>  |
|                       | <b>56%</b>  | <b>24%</b> | <b>44%</b> | <b>80%</b> | <b>66%</b>                 | <b>56%</b>   | <b>68%</b>                       | <b>53%</b>   | <b>64%</b>                             | <b>53%</b> | <b>58%</b>      | <b>51%</b>          | <b>57%</b>  |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>220</b>  | <b>15</b>  | <b>141</b> | <b>64</b>  | <b>76</b>                  | <b>41</b>    | <b>54</b>                        | <b>115</b>   | <b>79</b>                              | <b>94</b>  | <b>157</b>      | <b>63</b>           | <b>204</b>  |
|                       | <b>19%</b>  | <b>8%</b>  | <b>30%</b> | <b>13%</b> | <b>17%</b>                 | <b>22%</b>   | <b>16%</b>                       | <b>22%</b>   | <b>18%</b>                             | <b>20%</b> | <b>19%</b>      | <b>19%</b>          | <b>18%</b>  |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 114

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- British members of the European Parliament are directly elected by British voters every five years -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |             |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                       | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |             |
| Unweighted total      | <b>1156</b>           | 163                      | 351                     | 386         | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146             | 228                   | 62              | 93                     | 287               | 102         | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | <b>1156</b>           | 175                      | 373                     | 396         | 387                   | 116                | 157                   | 159             | 191                   | 66              | 92                     | 277               | 99          | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>            | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>              | <b>263</b>  | <b>290</b>            | <b>72</b>          | <b>101</b>            | <b>92</b>       | <b>160</b>            | <b>49</b>       | <b>66</b>              | <b>209</b>        | <b>63</b>   | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | <b>650</b>            | 118                      | 234                     | 209         | 207                   | 97                 | 113                   | 95              | 104                   | 39              | 56                     | 109               | 37          | 656         |
|                       | <b>56%</b>            | 67%                      | 63%                     | 53%         | 53%                   | <b>84%</b>         | 72%                   | 59%             | 54%                   | 59%             | 61%                    | 39%               | 37%         | 57%         |
| False                 | <b>220</b>            | 22                       | 58                      | 86          | 76                    | 8                  | 20                    | 38              | 27                    | 13              | 19                     | 77                | 18          | 204         |
|                       | <b>19%</b>            | 13%                      | 16%                     | 22%         | 20%                   | 7%                 | 13%                   | 24%             | 14%                   | 20%             | 20%                    | 28%               | 19%         | 18%         |
| Don't know            | <b>286</b>            | 35                       | 81                      | 101         | 105                   | 11                 | 23                    | 26              | 60                    | 14              | 17                     | 92                | 44          | 296         |
|                       | <b>25%</b>            | 20%                      | 22%                     | 25%         | 27%                   | 9%                 | 15%                   | 16%             | 32%                   | 21%             | 18%                    | 33%               | 44%         | 26%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>650</b>            | <b>118</b>               | <b>234</b>              | <b>209</b>  | <b>207</b>            | <b>97</b>          | <b>113</b>            | <b>95</b>       | <b>104</b>            | <b>39</b>       | <b>56</b>              | <b>109</b>        | <b>37</b>   | <b>656</b>  |
|                       | <b>56%</b>            | <b>67%</b>               | <b>63%</b>              | <b>53%</b>  | <b>53%</b>            | <b>84%</b>         | <b>72%</b>            | <b>59%</b>      | <b>54%</b>            | <b>59%</b>      | <b>61%</b>             | <b>39%</b>        | <b>37%</b>  | <b>57%</b>  |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>220</b>            | 22                       | 58                      | 86          | 76                    | 8                  | 20                    | 38              | 27                    | 13              | 19                     | 77                | 18          | 204         |
|                       | <b>19%</b>            | 13%                      | 16%                     | 22%         | 20%                   | 7%                 | 13%                   | 24%             | 14%                   | 20%             | 20%                    | 28%               | 19%         | 18%         |

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Table 115

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**- You are automatically registered to vote if you pay council tax -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Gender     |            | Age        |           |            |            |            |            |            |           |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                       | Male       | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34     | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34     | 35-54      | 55+        | AB           | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands  | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| Unweighted total      | 1156       | 552        | 604        | 138       | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135       | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | 1156       | 561        | 595        | 173       | 183        | 216        | 186        | 169        | 117        | 111       | 356        | 402        | 398          | 310        | 333        | 241        | 272        | 642        | 514        | 387        | 411        | 358            | 306                   | 681                            | 169         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b> | <b>391</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>98</b> | <b>145</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b> | <b>236</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>222</b> | <b>401</b> | <b>413</b> | <b>312</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | 293        | 146        | 147        | 51        | 45         | 59         | 21         | 43         | 38         | 35        | 96         | 80         | 117          | 61         | 77         | 70         | 85         | 138        | 155        | 113        | 84         | 96             | 84                    | 164                            | 45          | 324         |
|                       | 25%        | 26%        | 25%        | 30%       | 24%        | 27%        | 11%        | 26%        | 33%        | 31%       | 27%        | 20%        | 29%          | 20%        | 23%        | 29%        | 31%        | 21%        | 30%        | 29%        | 20%        | 27%            | 28%                   | 24%                            | 27%         | 28%         |
| False                 | 715        | 342        | 374        | 81        | 107        | 140        | 153        | 109        | 68         | 58        | 188        | 293        | 235          | 214        | 213        | 139        | 149        | 427        | 288        | 234        | 267        | 215            | 164                   | 448                            | 103         | 695         |
|                       | 62%        | 61%        | 63%        | 47%       | 59%        | 65%        | 82%        | 64%        | 58%        | 52%       | 53%        | 73%        | 59%          | 69%        | 64%        | 58%        | 55%        | 67%        | 56%        | 61%        | 65%        | 60%            | 54%                   | 66%                            | 61%         | 60%         |
| Don't know            | 147        | 74         | 74         | 41        | 31         | 17         | 12         | 17         | 11         | 19        | 72         | 28         | 47           | 35         | 43         | 32         | 39         | 77         | 70         | 40         | 60         | 47             | 58                    | 69                             | 21          | 137         |
|                       | 13%        | 13%        | 12%        | 24%       | 17%        | 8%         | 6%         | 10%        | 9%         | 17%       | 20%        | 7%         | 12%          | 11%        | 13%        | 13%        | 14%        | 12%        | 14%        | 10%        | 15%        | 13%            | 19%                   | 10%                            | 12%         | 12%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>715</b> | <b>342</b> | <b>374</b> | <b>81</b> | <b>107</b> | <b>140</b> | <b>153</b> | <b>109</b> | <b>68</b>  | <b>58</b> | <b>188</b> | <b>293</b> | <b>235</b>   | <b>214</b> | <b>213</b> | <b>139</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>427</b> | <b>288</b> | <b>234</b> | <b>267</b> | <b>215</b>     | <b>164</b>            | <b>448</b>                     | <b>103</b>  | <b>695</b>  |
|                       | 62%        | 61%        | 63%        | 47%       | 59%        | 65%        | 82%        | 64%        | 58%        | 52%       | 53%        | 73%        | 59%          | 69%        | 64%        | 58%        | 55%        | 67%        | 56%        | 61%        | 65%        | 60%            | 54%                   | 66%                            | 61%         | 60%         |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>293</b> | <b>146</b> | <b>147</b> | <b>51</b> | <b>45</b>  | <b>59</b>  | <b>21</b>  | <b>43</b>  | <b>38</b>  | <b>35</b> | <b>96</b>  | <b>80</b>  | <b>117</b>   | <b>61</b>  | <b>77</b>  | <b>70</b>  | <b>85</b>  | <b>138</b> | <b>155</b> | <b>113</b> | <b>84</b>  | <b>96</b>      | <b>84</b>             | <b>164</b>                     | <b>45</b>   | <b>324</b>  |
|                       | 25%        | 26%        | 25%        | 30%       | 24%        | 27%        | 11%        | 26%        | 33%        | 31%       | 27%        | 20%        | 29%          | 20%        | 23%        | 29%        | 31%        | 21%        | 30%        | 29%        | 20%        | 27%            | 28%                   | 24%                            | 27%         | 28%         |

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Table 116

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Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity  |            | GO Region  |            |           |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           | Unwtd total |            |             |
|-----------------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|                       | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME        | South East | Eastern    | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland   |             |
| Unweighted total      | 1156           | 425        | 109         | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548                    | 318               | 183                          | 258              | 274        | 1007       | 146        | 116        | 102       | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68        | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | 1156           | 520        | 109         | 527                   | 372        | 287                  | 253        | 423        | 522                    | 320               | 213                          | 287              | 219        | 1054       | 100        | 162        | 110       | 147        | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101        | 134        | 51        | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b> | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b>             | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b> | <b>703</b> | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b>  | <b>72</b> | <b>86</b>  | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b> | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | 293            | 117        | 19          | 158                   | 99         | 69                   | 58         | 121        | 121                    | 81                | 47                           | 56               | 69         | 256        | 37         | 23         | 29        | 40         | 21            | 29            | 26                       | 22         | 42         | 12        | 12          | 37         | 324         |
|                       | 25%            | 22%        | 17%         | 30%                   | 27%        | 24%                  | 23%        | 29%        | 23%                    | 25%               | 22%                          | 20%              | 31%        | 24%        | 37%        | 14%        | 26%       | 28%        | 20%           | 28%           | 30%                      | 22%        | 31%        | 23%       | 21%         | 36%        | 28%         |
| False                 | 715            | 352        | 73          | 290                   | 226        | 174                  | 166        | 246        | 335                    | 198               | 132                          | 208              | 110        | 668        | 45         | 124        | 64        | 78         | 64            | 62            | 50                       | 72         | 72         | 34        | 38          | 56         | 695         |
|                       | 62%            | 68%        | 67%         | 55%                   | 61%        | 61%                  | 66%        | 58%        | 64%                    | 62%               | 62%                          | 73%              | 50%        | 63%        | 45%        | 77%        | 59%       | 53%        | 63%           | 60%           | 57%                      | 72%        | 54%        | 67%       | 66%         | 55%        | 60%         |
| Don't know            | 147            | 51         | 17          | 79                    | 47         | 44                   | 29         | 56         | 65                     | 41                | 34                           | 22               | 41         | 130        | 17         | 14         | 16        | 28         | 18            | 12            | 11                       | 7          | 19         | 5         | 8           | 9          | 137         |
|                       | 13%            | 10%        | 16%         | 15%                   | 13%        | 15%                  | 11%        | 13%        | 13%                    | 13%               | 16%                          | 8%               | 19%        | 12%        | 17%        | 9%         | 15%       | 19%        | 17%           | 12%           | 13%                      | 7%         | 14%        | 10%       | 13%         | 9%         | 12%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>715</b>     | <b>352</b> | <b>73</b>   | <b>290</b>            | <b>226</b> | <b>174</b>           | <b>166</b> | <b>246</b> | <b>335</b>             | <b>198</b>        | <b>132</b>                   | <b>208</b>       | <b>110</b> | <b>668</b> | <b>45</b>  | <b>124</b> | <b>64</b> | <b>78</b>  | <b>64</b>     | <b>62</b>     | <b>50</b>                | <b>72</b>  | <b>72</b>  | <b>34</b> | <b>38</b>   | <b>56</b>  | <b>695</b>  |
|                       | 62%            | 68%        | 67%         | 55%                   | 61%        | 61%                  | 66%        | 58%        | 64%                    | 62%               | 62%                          | 73%              | 50%        | 63%        | 45%        | 77%        | 59%       | 53%        | 63%           | 60%           | 57%                      | 72%        | 54%        | 67%       | 66%         | 55%        | 60%         |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>293</b>     | <b>117</b> | <b>19</b>   | <b>158</b>            | <b>99</b>  | <b>69</b>            | <b>58</b>  | <b>121</b> | <b>121</b>             | <b>81</b>         | <b>47</b>                    | <b>56</b>        | <b>69</b>  | <b>256</b> | <b>37</b>  | <b>23</b>  | <b>29</b> | <b>40</b>  | <b>21</b>     | <b>29</b>     | <b>26</b>                | <b>22</b>  | <b>42</b>  | <b>12</b> | <b>12</b>   | <b>37</b>  | <b>324</b>  |
|                       | 25%            | 22%        | 17%         | 30%                   | 27%        | 24%                  | 23%        | 29%        | 23%                    | 25%               | 22%                          | 20%              | 31%        | 24%        | 37%        | 14%        | 26%       | 28%        | 20%           | 28%           | 30%                      | 22%        | 31%        | 23%       | 21%         | 36%        | 28%         |

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**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- You are automatically registered to vote if you pay council tax -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Total      | Urbanity   |            |            | Interest in politics |                | Likelihood to vote |                | Political activism |              | Opinion on present system |                   | Knew local MP |            | Unwtd total |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|
|                       |            | Urban      | Rural      | Mixed      | Interested           | Not interested | Certain to         | Certain not to | Activist           | Non-activist | Works well                | Needs improvement | Yes           | No         |             |
| Unweighted total      | 1156       | 773        | 145        | 238        | 580                  | 569            | 627                | 143            | 160                | 996          | 327                       | 783               | 495           | 661        | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | 1156       | 784        | 136        | 235        | 611                  | 539            | 619                | 140            | 180                | 976          | 322                       | 793               | 511           | 645        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b> | <b>535</b> | <b>97</b>  | <b>170</b> | <b>404</b>           | <b>394</b>     | <b>430</b>         | <b>96</b>      | <b>118</b>         | <b>684</b>   | <b>232</b>                | <b>543</b>        | <b>339</b>    | <b>464</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | 293        | 189        | 42         | 63         | 146                  | 144            | 134                | 41             | 21                 | 272          | 90                        | 194               | 138           | 155        | 324         |
|                       | 25%        | 24%        | 31%        | 27%        | 24%                  | 27%            | 22%                | 29%            | 12%                | 28%          | 28%                       | 24%               | 27%           | 24%        | 28%         |
| False                 | 715        | 491        | 85         | 140        | 403                  | 311            | 424                | 77             | 147                | 568          | 186                       | 517               | 323           | 393        | 695         |
|                       | 62%        | 63%        | 62%        | 59%        | 66%                  | 58%            | 69%                | 55%            | 82%                | 58%          | 58%                       | 65%               | 63%           | 61%        | 60%         |
| Don't know            | 147        | 105        | 10         | 33         | 62                   | 84             | 61                 | 22             | 11                 | 136          | 46                        | 82                | 50            | 97         | 137         |
|                       | 13%        | 13%        | 7%         | 14%        | 10%                  | 16%            | 10%                | 16%            | 6%                 | 14%          | 14%                       | 10%               | 10%           | 15%        | 12%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>715</b> | <b>491</b> | <b>85</b>  | <b>140</b> | <b>403</b>           | <b>311</b>     | <b>424</b>         | <b>77</b>      | <b>147</b>         | <b>568</b>   | <b>186</b>                | <b>517</b>        | <b>323</b>    | <b>393</b> | <b>695</b>  |
|                       | <b>62%</b> | <b>63%</b> | <b>62%</b> | <b>59%</b> | <b>66%</b>           | <b>58%</b>     | <b>69%</b>         | <b>55%</b>     | <b>82%</b>         | <b>58%</b>   | <b>58%</b>                | <b>65%</b>        | <b>63%</b>    | <b>61%</b> | <b>60%</b>  |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>293</b> | <b>189</b> | <b>42</b>  | <b>63</b>  | <b>146</b>           | <b>144</b>     | <b>134</b>         | <b>41</b>      | <b>21</b>          | <b>272</b>   | <b>90</b>                 | <b>194</b>        | <b>138</b>    | <b>155</b> | <b>324</b>  |
|                       | <b>25%</b> | <b>24%</b> | <b>31%</b> | <b>27%</b> | <b>24%</b>           | <b>27%</b>     | <b>22%</b>         | <b>29%</b>     | <b>12%</b>         | <b>28%</b>   | <b>28%</b>                | <b>24%</b>        | <b>27%</b>    | <b>24%</b> | <b>28%</b>  |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
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Table 118

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- You are automatically registered to vote if you pay council tax -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Quiz score  |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |            | Satisfaction with MPs in general |            | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |              | Unwtd total |                     |
|-----------------------|-------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|--|------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
|                       | Total       | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                           | Agree      | Disagree        | Use internet |             | Do not use internet |
| Unweighted total      | <b>1156</b> | 210        | 463        | 483                        | 459        | 183                              | 349        | 502                                    | 438        | 450             | 762          | 394         | 1156                |
| Weighted total        | <b>1156</b> | 187        | 470        | 499                        | 444        | 190                              | 336        | 515                                    | 427        | 474             | 826          | 330         | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>  | <b>150</b> | <b>310</b> | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b> | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b> | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b> | <b>302</b>      | <b>540</b>   | <b>269</b>  | <b>1156</b>         |
| True                  | <b>293</b>  | 79         | 163        | 51                         | 138        | 46                               | 106        | 121                                    | 130        | 102             | 183          | 110         | 324                 |
|                       | <b>25%</b>  | 42%        | 35%        | 10%                        | 31%        | 24%                              | 32%        | 24%                                    | 30%        | 22%             | 22%          | 33%         | 28%                 |
| False                 | <b>715</b>  | 41         | 241        | 433                        | 265        | 124                              | 199        | 339                                    | 251        | 318             | 547          | 168         | 695                 |
|                       | <b>62%</b>  | 22%        | 51%        | 87%                        | 60%        | 65%                              | 59%        | 66%                                    | 59%        | 67%             | 66%          | 51%         | 60%                 |
| Don't know            | <b>147</b>  | 66         | 66         | 15                         | 42         | 20                               | 31         | 55                                     | 46         | 54              | 95           | 52          | 137                 |
|                       | <b>13%</b>  | 35%        | 14%        | 3%                         | 9%         | 10%                              | 9%         | 11%                                    | 11%        | 11%             | 12%          | 16%         | 12%                 |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>715</b>  | <b>41</b>  | <b>241</b> | <b>433</b>                 | <b>265</b> | <b>124</b>                       | <b>199</b> | <b>339</b>                             | <b>251</b> | <b>318</b>      | <b>547</b>   | <b>168</b>  | <b>695</b>          |
|                       | <b>62%</b>  | <b>22%</b> | <b>51%</b> | <b>87%</b>                 | <b>60%</b> | <b>65%</b>                       | <b>59%</b> | <b>66%</b>                             | <b>59%</b> | <b>67%</b>      | <b>66%</b>   | <b>51%</b>  | <b>60%</b>          |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>293</b>  | 79         | 163        | 51                         | 138        | 46                               | 106        | 121                                    | 130        | 102             | 183          | 110         | 324                 |
|                       | <b>25%</b>  | <b>42%</b> | <b>35%</b> | <b>10%</b>                 | <b>31%</b> | <b>24%</b>                       | <b>32%</b> | <b>24%</b>                             | <b>30%</b> | <b>22%</b>      | <b>22%</b>   | <b>33%</b>  | <b>28%</b>          |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 119

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- You are automatically registered to vote if you pay council tax -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |             |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                       | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |             |
| Unweighted total      | <b>1156</b>           | 163                      | 351                     | 386         | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146             | 228                   | 62              | 93                     | 287               | 102         | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | <b>1156</b>           | 175                      | 373                     | 396         | 387                   | 116                | 157                   | 159             | 191                   | 66              | 92                     | 277               | 99          | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>            | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>              | <b>263</b>  | <b>290</b>            | <b>72</b>          | <b>101</b>            | <b>92</b>       | <b>160</b>            | <b>49</b>       | <b>66</b>              | <b>209</b>        | <b>63</b>   | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | <b>293</b>            | 45                       | 84                      | 97          | 112                   | 16                 | 22                    | 37              | 63                    | 16              | 44                     | 78                | 15          | 324         |
|                       | <b>25%</b>            | 26%                      | 23%                     | 24%         | 29%                   | 14%                | 14%                   | 23%             | 33%                   | 25%             | 48%                    | 28%               | 16%         | 28%         |
| False                 | <b>715</b>            | 110                      | 244                     | 250         | 222                   | 95                 | 120                   | 109             | 103                   | 46              | 34                     | 154               | 54          | 695         |
|                       | <b>62%</b>            | 63%                      | 65%                     | 63%         | 57%                   | 82%                | 77%                   | 68%             | 54%                   | 70%             | 37%                    | 56%               | 55%         | 60%         |
| Don't know            | <b>147</b>            | 20                       | 45                      | 50          | 53                    | 4                  | 14                    | 13              | 25                    | 3               | 14                     | 44                | 29          | 137         |
|                       | <b>13%</b>            | 12%                      | 12%                     | 13%         | 14%                   | 4%                 | 9%                    | 8%              | 13%                   | 5%              | 15%                    | 16%               | 30%         | 12%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>715</b>            | <b>110</b>               | <b>244</b>              | <b>250</b>  | <b>222</b>            | <b>95</b>          | <b>120</b>            | <b>109</b>      | <b>103</b>            | <b>46</b>       | <b>34</b>              | <b>154</b>        | <b>54</b>   | <b>695</b>  |
|                       | <b>62%</b>            | <b>63%</b>               | <b>65%</b>              | <b>63%</b>  | <b>57%</b>            | <b>82%</b>         | <b>77%</b>            | <b>68%</b>      | <b>54%</b>            | <b>70%</b>      | <b>37%</b>             | <b>56%</b>        | <b>55%</b>  | <b>60%</b>  |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>293</b>            | 45                       | 84                      | 97          | 112                   | 16                 | 22                    | 37              | 63                    | 16              | 44                     | 78                | 15          | 324         |
|                       | <b>25%</b>            | <b>26%</b>               | <b>23%</b>              | <b>24%</b>  | <b>29%</b>            | <b>14%</b>         | <b>14%</b>            | <b>23%</b>      | <b>33%</b>            | <b>25%</b>      | <b>48%</b>             | <b>28%</b>        | <b>16%</b>  | <b>28%</b>  |

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Table 120

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- Members of the House of Lords are elected by the British public -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Gender     |            | Age        |           |            |            |            |            |            |           |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                       | Male       | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34     | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34     | 35-54      | 55+        | AB           | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands  | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| Unweighted total      | 1156       | 552        | 604        | 138       | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135       | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | 1156       | 561        | 595        | 173       | 183        | 216        | 186        | 169        | 117        | 111       | 356        | 402        | 398          | 310        | 333        | 241        | 272        | 642        | 514        | 387        | 411        | 358            | 306                   | 681                            | 169         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b> | <b>391</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>98</b> | <b>145</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b> | <b>236</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>222</b> | <b>401</b> | <b>413</b> | <b>312</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | 134        | 68         | 66         | 33        | 35         | 24         | 11         | 11         | 10         | 10        | 68         | 35         | 31           | 12         | 39         | 33         | 51         | 50         | 84         | 62         | 32         | 41             | 63                    | 60                             | 12          | 156         |
|                       | 12%        | 12%        | 11%        | 19%       | 19%        | 11%        | 6%         | 6%         | 9%         | 9%        | 19%        | 9%         | 8%           | 4%         | 12%        | 14%        | 19%        | 8%         | 16%        | 16%        | 8%         | 11%            | 21%                   | 9%                             | 7%          | 13%         |
| False                 | 859        | 434        | 425        | 92        | 115        | 163        | 159        | 145        | 97         | 88        | 206        | 322        | 330          | 283        | 253        | 165        | 158        | 535        | 323        | 264        | 325        | 270            | 177                   | 550                            | 132         | 826         |
|                       | 74%        | 77%        | 71%        | 53%       | 62%        | 76%        | 86%        | 85%        | 83%        | 79%       | 58%        | 80%        | 83%          | 91%        | 76%        | 69%        | 58%        | 83%        | 63%        | 68%        | 79%        | 75%            | 58%                   | 81%                            | 78%         | 71%         |
| Don't know            | 163        | 59         | 104        | 48        | 34         | 29         | 15         | 14         | 9          | 13        | 82         | 44         | 37           | 15         | 41         | 43         | 63         | 57         | 106        | 61         | 54         | 47             | 66                    | 71                             | 25          | 174         |
|                       | 14%        | 10%        | 18%        | 28%       | 18%        | 13%        | 8%         | 8%         | 8%         | 12%       | 23%        | 11%        | 9%           | 5%         | 12%        | 18%        | 23%        | 9%         | 21%        | 16%        | 13%        | 13%            | 22%                   | 10%                            | 15%         | 15%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>859</b> | <b>434</b> | <b>425</b> | <b>92</b> | <b>115</b> | <b>163</b> | <b>159</b> | <b>145</b> | <b>97</b>  | <b>88</b> | <b>206</b> | <b>322</b> | <b>330</b>   | <b>283</b> | <b>253</b> | <b>165</b> | <b>158</b> | <b>535</b> | <b>323</b> | <b>264</b> | <b>325</b> | <b>270</b>     | <b>177</b>            | <b>550</b>                     | <b>132</b>  | <b>826</b>  |
|                       | 74%        | 77%        | 71%        | 53%       | 62%        | 76%        | 86%        | 85%        | 83%        | 79%       | 58%        | 80%        | 83%          | 91%        | 76%        | 69%        | 58%        | 83%        | 63%        | 68%        | 79%        | 75%            | 58%                   | 81%                            | 78%         | 71%         |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>134</b> | <b>68</b>  | <b>66</b>  | <b>33</b> | <b>35</b>  | <b>24</b>  | <b>11</b>  | <b>11</b>  | <b>10</b>  | <b>10</b> | <b>68</b>  | <b>35</b>  | <b>31</b>    | <b>12</b>  | <b>39</b>  | <b>33</b>  | <b>51</b>  | <b>50</b>  | <b>84</b>  | <b>62</b>  | <b>32</b>  | <b>41</b>      | <b>63</b>             | <b>60</b>                      | <b>12</b>   | <b>156</b>  |
|                       | 12%        | 12%        | 11%        | 19%       | 19%        | 11%        | 6%         | 6%         | 9%         | 9%        | 19%        | 9%         | 8%           | 4%         | 12%        | 14%        | 19%        | 8%         | 16%        | 16%        | 8%         | 11%            | 21%                   | 9%                             | 7%          | 13%         |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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Table 121

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- Members of the House of Lords are elected by the British public -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Working status    |                   |                  | Children in household |                   | Newspaper readership |                   |                   | Education              |                   |                              |                   | Ethnicity         |                   | GO Region        |                   |                  |                  |                  |                  |                          |                  |                  |                  | Unwtd total      |                  |                   |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|
|                       | Full time         | Part time         | Not working      | Yes                   | No                | Quality              | Popular           | None              | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals.  | White             | BME               | South East       | Eastern           | London           | South West       | West Midlands    | East Midlands    | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West       | North East       | Wales            |                  | Scotland         |                   |
| Unweighted total      | 1156              | 425               | 109              | 622                   | 360               | 234                  | 201               | 445               | 548                    | 318               | 183                          | 258               | 274               | 1007              | 146              | 116               | 102              | 121              | 102              | 109              | 71                       | 91               | 122              | 68               | 97               | 157              | 1156              |
| Weighted total        | 1156              | 520               | 109              | 527                   | 372               | 287                  | 253               | 423               | 522                    | 320               | 213                          | 287               | 219               | 1054              | 100              | 162               | 110              | 147              | 103              | 104              | 87                       | 101              | 134              | 51               | 58               | 102              | 1156              |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>        | <b>306</b>        | <b>78</b>        | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b>        | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b>        | <b>313</b>        | <b>382</b>             | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>        | <b>201</b>        | <b>703</b>        | <b>115</b>       | <b>90</b>         | <b>72</b>        | <b>86</b>        | <b>79</b>        | <b>75</b>        | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>        | <b>90</b>        | <b>51</b>        | <b>76</b>        | <b>118</b>       | <b>1156</b>       |
| True                  | 134<br>12%        | 47<br>9%          | 15<br>14%        | 73<br>14%             | 41<br>11%         | 48<br>17%            | 10<br>4%          | 66<br>16%         | 60<br>11%              | 43<br>13%         | 23<br>11%                    | 20<br>7%          | 42<br>19%         | 106<br>10%        | 26<br>26%        | 9<br>5%           | 10<br>9%         | 19<br>13%        | 4<br>4%          | 17<br>16%        | 6<br>7%                  | 12<br>12%        | 33<br>25%        | 9<br>17%         | 7<br>12%         | 8<br>8%          | 156<br>13%        |
| False                 | 859<br>74%        | 417<br>80%        | 77<br>71%        | 364<br>69%            | 258<br>69%        | 199<br>70%           | 236<br>93%        | 296<br>70%        | 364<br>70%             | 218<br>68%        | 166<br>78%                   | 258<br>90%        | 124<br>57%        | 817<br>78%        | 42<br>42%        | 139<br>86%        | 88<br>80%        | 98<br>67%        | 88<br>86%        | 72<br>69%        | 67<br>77%                | 75<br>74%        | 73<br>54%        | 37<br>73%        | 44<br>76%        | 79<br>78%        | 826<br>71%        |
| Don't know            | 163<br>14%        | 56<br>11%         | 17<br>15%        | 90<br>17%             | 73<br>20%         | 40<br>14%            | 7<br>3%           | 62<br>15%         | 98<br>19%              | 59<br>19%         | 24<br>11%                    | 9<br>3%           | 53<br>24%         | 131<br>12%        | 32<br>32%        | 14<br>9%          | 12<br>11%        | 30<br>20%        | 11<br>10%        | 15<br>15%        | 14<br>16%                | 14<br>14%        | 28<br>21%        | 5<br>10%         | 7<br>12%         | 14<br>14%        | 174<br>15%        |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>859</b><br>74% | <b>417</b><br>80% | <b>77</b><br>71% | <b>364</b><br>69%     | <b>258</b><br>69% | <b>199</b><br>70%    | <b>236</b><br>93% | <b>296</b><br>70% | <b>364</b><br>70%      | <b>218</b><br>68% | <b>166</b><br>78%            | <b>258</b><br>90% | <b>124</b><br>57% | <b>817</b><br>78% | <b>42</b><br>42% | <b>139</b><br>86% | <b>88</b><br>80% | <b>98</b><br>67% | <b>88</b><br>86% | <b>72</b><br>69% | <b>67</b><br>77%         | <b>75</b><br>74% | <b>73</b><br>54% | <b>37</b><br>73% | <b>44</b><br>76% | <b>79</b><br>78% | <b>826</b><br>71% |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>134</b><br>12% | <b>47</b><br>9%   | <b>15</b><br>14% | <b>73</b><br>14%      | <b>41</b><br>11%  | <b>48</b><br>17%     | <b>10</b><br>4%   | <b>66</b><br>16%  | <b>60</b><br>11%       | <b>43</b><br>13%  | <b>23</b><br>11%             | <b>20</b><br>7%   | <b>42</b><br>19%  | <b>106</b><br>10% | <b>26</b><br>26% | <b>9</b><br>5%    | <b>10</b><br>9%  | <b>19</b><br>13% | <b>4</b><br>4%   | <b>17</b><br>16% | <b>6</b><br>7%           | <b>12</b><br>12% | <b>33</b><br>25% | <b>9</b><br>17%  | <b>7</b><br>12%  | <b>8</b><br>8%   | <b>156</b><br>13% |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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Table 122

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- Members of the House of Lords are elected by the British public -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Urbanity   |            |            | Interest in politics |            | Likelihood to vote |            | Political activism |            | Opinion on present system |            | Knew local MP     |            | Unwtd total |             |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|---------------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
|                       | Total      | Urban      | Rural      | Mixed                | Interested | Not interested     | Certain to | Certain not to     | Activist   | Non-activist              | Works well | Needs improvement | Yes        |             | No          |
| Unweighted total      | 1156       | 773        | 145        | 238                  | 580        | 569                | 627        | 143                | 160        | 996                       | 327        | 783               | 495        | 661         | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | 1156       | 784        | 136        | 235                  | 611        | 539                | 619        | 140                | 180        | 976                       | 322        | 793               | 511        | 645         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b> | <b>535</b> | <b>97</b>  | <b>170</b>           | <b>404</b> | <b>394</b>         | <b>430</b> | <b>96</b>          | <b>118</b> | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b> | <b>543</b>        | <b>339</b> | <b>464</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | 134        | 94         | 19         | 21                   | 52         | 82                 | 51         | 22                 | 4          | 130                       | 44         | 82                | 46         | 89          | 156         |
|                       | 12%        | 12%        | 14%        | 9%                   | 9%         | 15%                | 8%         | 16%                | 2%         | 13%                       | 14%        | 10%               | 9%         | 14%         | 13%         |
| False                 | 859        | 566        | 107        | 185                  | 528        | 329                | 522        | 75                 | 173        | 686                       | 234        | 612               | 424        | 435         | 826         |
|                       | 74%        | 72%        | 79%        | 79%                  | 86%        | 61%                | 84%        | 54%                | 96%        | 70%                       | 73%        | 77%               | 83%        | 67%         | 71%         |
| Don't know            | 163        | 124        | 10         | 29                   | 31         | 128                | 45         | 42                 | 3          | 160                       | 43         | 99                | 41         | 122         | 174         |
|                       | 14%        | 16%        | 8%         | 12%                  | 5%         | 24%                | 7%         | 30%                | 1%         | 16%                       | 14%        | 12%               | 8%         | 19%         | 15%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>859</b> | <b>566</b> | <b>107</b> | <b>185</b>           | <b>528</b> | <b>329</b>         | <b>522</b> | <b>75</b>          | <b>173</b> | <b>686</b>                | <b>234</b> | <b>612</b>        | <b>424</b> | <b>435</b>  | <b>826</b>  |
|                       | <b>74%</b> | <b>72%</b> | <b>79%</b> | <b>79%</b>           | <b>86%</b> | <b>61%</b>         | <b>84%</b> | <b>54%</b>         | <b>96%</b> | <b>70%</b>                | <b>73%</b> | <b>77%</b>        | <b>83%</b> | <b>67%</b>  | <b>71%</b>  |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>134</b> | <b>94</b>  | <b>19</b>  | <b>21</b>            | <b>52</b>  | <b>82</b>          | <b>51</b>  | <b>22</b>          | <b>4</b>   | <b>130</b>                | <b>44</b>  | <b>82</b>         | <b>46</b>  | <b>89</b>   | <b>156</b>  |
|                       | <b>12%</b> | <b>12%</b> | <b>14%</b> | <b>9%</b>            | <b>9%</b>  | <b>15%</b>         | <b>8%</b>  | <b>16%</b>         | <b>2%</b>  | <b>13%</b>                | <b>14%</b> | <b>10%</b>        | <b>9%</b>  | <b>14%</b>  | <b>13%</b>  |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
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Table 123

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- Members of the House of Lords are elected by the British public -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Quiz score  |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |            | Satisfaction with MPs in general |            | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |              | Unwtd total |                     |
|-----------------------|-------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|--|------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
|                       | Total       | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                           | Agree      | Disagree        | Use internet |             | Do not use internet |
| Unweighted total      | <b>1156</b> | 210        | 463        | 483                        | 459        | 183                              | 349        | 502                                    | 438        | 450             | 762          | 394         | 1156                |
| Weighted total        | <b>1156</b> | 187        | 470        | 499                        | 444        | 190                              | 336        | 515                                    | 427        | 474             | 826          | 330         | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>  | <b>150</b> | <b>310</b> | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b> | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b> | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b> | <b>302</b>      | <b>540</b>   | <b>269</b>  | <b>1156</b>         |
| True                  | <b>134</b>  | 50         | 79         | 5                          | 51         | 24                               | 46         | 47                                     | 72         | 36              | 85           | 50          | 156                 |
|                       | <b>12%</b>  | 27%        | 17%        | 1%                         | 11%        | 13%                              | 14%        | 9%                                     | 17%        | 8%              | 10%          | 15%         | 13%                 |
| False                 | <b>859</b>  | 34         | 336        | 489                        | 361        | 142                              | 261        | 401                                    | 315        | 368             | 648          | 211         | 826                 |
|                       | <b>74%</b>  | 18%        | 72%        | 98%                        | 81%        | 75%                              | 78%        | 78%                                    | 74%        | 78%             | 78%          | 64%         | 71%                 |
| Don't know            | <b>163</b>  | 103        | 54         | 6                          | 32         | 24                               | 28         | 67                                     | 40         | 70              | 93           | 70          | 174                 |
|                       | <b>14%</b>  | 55%        | 12%        | 1%                         | 7%         | 12%                              | 8%         | 13%                                    | 9%         | 15%             | 11%          | 21%         | 15%                 |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>859</b>  | <b>34</b>  | <b>336</b> | <b>489</b>                 | <b>361</b> | <b>142</b>                       | <b>261</b> | <b>401</b>                             | <b>315</b> | <b>368</b>      | <b>648</b>   | <b>211</b>  | <b>826</b>          |
|                       | <b>74%</b>  | <b>18%</b> | <b>72%</b> | <b>98%</b>                 | <b>81%</b> | <b>75%</b>                       | <b>78%</b> | <b>78%</b>                             | <b>74%</b> | <b>78%</b>      | <b>78%</b>   | <b>64%</b>  | <b>71%</b>          |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>134</b>  | 50         | 79         | 5                          | 51         | 24                               | 46         | 47                                     | 72         | 36              | 85           | 50          | 156                 |
|                       | <b>12%</b>  | <b>27%</b> | <b>17%</b> | <b>1%</b>                  | <b>11%</b> | <b>13%</b>                       | <b>14%</b> | <b>9%</b>                              | <b>17%</b> | <b>8%</b>       | <b>10%</b>   | <b>15%</b>  | <b>13%</b>          |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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Table 124

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- Members of the House of Lords are elected by the British public -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |             |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                       | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |             |
| Unweighted total      | <b>1156</b>           | 163                      | 351                     | 386         | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146             | 228                   | 62              | 93                     | 287               | 102         | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | <b>1156</b>           | 175                      | 373                     | 396         | 387                   | 116                | 157                   | 159             | 191                   | 66              | 92                     | 277               | 99          | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>            | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>              | <b>263</b>  | <b>290</b>            | <b>72</b>          | <b>101</b>            | <b>92</b>       | <b>160</b>            | <b>49</b>       | <b>66</b>              | <b>209</b>        | <b>63</b>   | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | <b>134</b>            | 17                       | 37                      | 38          | 60                    | 1                  | 6                     | 8               | 19                    | 4               | 28                     | 59                | 9           | 156         |
|                       | <b>12%</b>            | 10%                      | 10%                     | 10%         | 15%                   | 1%                 | 4%                    | 5%              | 10%                   | 6%              | 31%                    | 21%               | 9%          | 13%         |
| False                 | <b>859</b>            | 145                      | 301                     | 291         | 267                   | 113                | 150                   | 144             | 136                   | 62              | 52                     | 164               | 39          | 826         |
|                       | <b>74%</b>            | 83%                      | 81%                     | 73%         | 69%                   | 98%                | 96%                   | 90%             | 71%                   | 93%             | 56%                    | 59%               | 40%         | 71%         |
| Don't know            | <b>163</b>            | 14                       | 35                      | 68          | 60                    | 1                  | 1                     | 8               | 36                    | 1               | 12                     | 55                | 50          | 174         |
|                       | <b>14%</b>            | 8%                       | 9%                      | 17%         | 16%                   | 1%                 | *                     | 5%              | 19%                   | 1%              | 13%                    | 20%               | 51%         | 15%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>859</b>            | <b>145</b>               | <b>301</b>              | <b>291</b>  | <b>267</b>            | <b>113</b>         | <b>150</b>            | <b>144</b>      | <b>136</b>            | <b>62</b>       | <b>52</b>              | <b>164</b>        | <b>39</b>   | <b>826</b>  |
|                       | <b>74%</b>            | <b>83%</b>               | <b>81%</b>              | <b>73%</b>  | <b>69%</b>            | <b>98%</b>         | <b>96%</b>            | <b>90%</b>      | <b>71%</b>            | <b>93%</b>      | <b>56%</b>             | <b>59%</b>        | <b>40%</b>  | <b>71%</b>  |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>134</b>            | 17                       | 37                      | 38          | 60                    | 1                  | 6                     | 8               | 19                    | 4               | 28                     | 59                | 9           | 156         |
|                       | <b>12%</b>            | 10%                      | 10%                     | 10%         | 15%                   | 1%                 | 4%                    | 5%              | 10%                   | 6%              | 31%                    | 21%               | 9%          | 13%         |

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Table 125

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- MPs can raise problems their constituents are having in the House of Commons -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Gender     |            | Age        |            |            |            |            |            |            |           |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                       | Male       | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34      | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34     | 35-54      | 55+        | AB           | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands  | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| Unweighted total      | 1156       | 552        | 604        | 138        | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135       | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | 1156       | 561        | 595        | 173        | 183        | 216        | 186        | 169        | 117        | 111       | 356        | 402        | 398          | 310        | 333        | 241        | 272        | 642        | 514        | 387        | 411        | 358            | 306                   | 681                            | 169         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b> | <b>391</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>98</b>  | <b>145</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b> | <b>236</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>222</b> | <b>401</b> | <b>413</b> | <b>312</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | 929        | 465        | 464        | 134        | 134        | 176        | 146        | 145        | 105        | 89        | 268        | 323        | 339          | 282        | 277        | 195        | 175        | 559        | 370        | 308        | 331        | 289            | 231                   | 565                            | 133         | 930         |
|                       | 80%        | 83%        | 78%        | 78%        | 73%        | 82%        | 79%        | 86%        | 89%        | 80%       | 75%        | 80%        | 85%          | 91%        | 83%        | 81%        | 64%        | 87%        | 72%        | 80%        | 81%        | 81%            | 75%                   | 83%                            | 79%         | 80%         |
| False                 | 98         | 46         | 52         | 16         | 15         | 23         | 15         | 16         | 8          | 6         | 31         | 38         | 29           | 15         | 27         | 15         | 41         | 42         | 56         | 36         | 28         | 33             | 32                    | 52                             | 13          | 95          |
|                       | 8%         | 8%         | 9%         | 9%         | 8%         | 11%        | 8%         | 9%         | 6%         | 5%        | 9%         | 9%         | 7%           | 5%         | 8%         | 6%         | 15%        | 7%         | 11%        | 9%         | 7%         | 9%             | 11%                   | 8%                             | 8%          | 8%          |
| Don't know            | 129        | 50         | 79         | 23         | 35         | 16         | 24         | 9          | 5          | 17        | 58         | 41         | 30           | 13         | 29         | 31         | 57         | 41         | 88         | 42         | 51         | 36             | 43                    | 63                             | 23          | 131         |
|                       | 11%        | 9%         | 13%        | 13%        | 19%        | 8%         | 13%        | 5%         | 4%         | 15%       | 16%        | 10%        | 8%           | 4%         | 9%         | 13%        | 21%        | 6%         | 17%        | 11%        | 13%        | 10%            | 14%                   | 9%                             | 13%         | 11%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>929</b> | <b>465</b> | <b>464</b> | <b>134</b> | <b>134</b> | <b>176</b> | <b>146</b> | <b>145</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>89</b> | <b>268</b> | <b>323</b> | <b>339</b>   | <b>282</b> | <b>277</b> | <b>195</b> | <b>175</b> | <b>559</b> | <b>370</b> | <b>308</b> | <b>331</b> | <b>289</b>     | <b>231</b>            | <b>565</b>                     | <b>133</b>  | <b>930</b>  |
|                       | 80%        | 83%        | 78%        | 78%        | 73%        | 82%        | 79%        | 86%        | 89%        | 80%       | 75%        | 80%        | 85%          | 91%        | 83%        | 81%        | 64%        | 87%        | 72%        | 80%        | 81%        | 81%            | 75%                   | 83%                            | 79%         | 80%         |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>98</b>  | <b>46</b>  | <b>52</b>  | <b>16</b>  | <b>15</b>  | <b>23</b>  | <b>15</b>  | <b>16</b>  | <b>8</b>   | <b>6</b>  | <b>31</b>  | <b>38</b>  | <b>29</b>    | <b>15</b>  | <b>27</b>  | <b>15</b>  | <b>41</b>  | <b>42</b>  | <b>56</b>  | <b>36</b>  | <b>28</b>  | <b>33</b>      | <b>32</b>             | <b>52</b>                      | <b>13</b>   | <b>95</b>   |
|                       | 8%         | 8%         | 9%         | 9%         | 8%         | 11%        | 8%         | 9%         | 6%         | 5%        | 9%         | 9%         | 7%           | 5%         | 8%         | 6%         | 15%        | 7%         | 11%        | 9%         | 7%         | 9%             | 11%                   | 8%                             | 8%          | 8%          |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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Table 126

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- MPs can raise problems their constituents are having in the House of Commons -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Total      | Working status |           |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity  |            | GO Region  |           |           |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           | Unwtd total |             |
|-----------------------|------------|----------------|-----------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
|                       |            | Full time      | Part time | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME        | South East | Eastern   | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland    |
| Unweighted total      | 1156       | 425            | 109       | 622         | 360                   | 234        | 201                  | 445        | 548        | 318                    | 183               | 258                          | 274              | 1007       | 146        | 116        | 102       | 121       | 102        | 109           | 71            | 91                       | 122        | 68         | 97        | 157         | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | 1156       | 520            | 109       | 527         | 372                   | 287        | 253                  | 423        | 522        | 320                    | 213               | 287                          | 219              | 1054       | 100        | 162        | 110       | 147       | 103        | 104           | 87            | 101                      | 134        | 51         | 58        | 102         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b> | <b>306</b>     | <b>78</b> | <b>438</b>  | <b>245</b>            | <b>163</b> | <b>143</b>           | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b> | <b>224</b>             | <b>123</b>        | <b>188</b>                   | <b>201</b>       | <b>703</b> | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b>  | <b>72</b> | <b>86</b> | <b>79</b>  | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>     | <b>71</b>                | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b>  | <b>76</b> | <b>118</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | 929        | 422            | 90        | 417         | 296                   | 218        | 222                  | 318        | 422        | 249                    | 172               | 260                          | 151              | 860        | 67         | 141        | 91        | 98        | 93         | 85            | 63            | 80                       | 103        | 42         | 51        | 83          | 930         |
|                       | 80%        | 81%            | 82%       | 79%         | 80%                   | 76%        | 88%                  | 75%        | 81%        | 78%                    | 81%               | 91%                          | 69%              | 82%        | 67%        | 87%        | 83%       | 67%       | 90%        | 81%           | 73%           | 80%                      | 77%        | 82%        | 88%       | 82%         | 80%         |
| False                 | 98         | 52             | 9         | 37          | 32                    | 29         | 20                   | 41         | 39         | 35                     | 16                | 12                           | 25               | 84         | 14         | 7          | 7         | 20        | 2          | 9             | 16            | 10                       | 13         | 3          | 2         | 10          | 95          |
|                       | 8%         | 10%            | 8%        | 7%          | 8%                    | 10%        | 8%                   | 10%        | 7%         | 11%                    | 8%                | 4%                           | 11%              | 8%         | 14%        | 4%         | 6%        | 14%       | 2%         | 8%            | 18%           | 10%                      | 10%        | 6%         | 3%        | 10%         | 8%          |
| Don't know            | 129        | 46             | 11        | 72          | 44                    | 40         | 11                   | 64         | 60         | 37                     | 25                | 15                           | 44               | 111        | 18         | 14         | 12        | 29        | 8          | 11            | 8             | 10                       | 18         | 6          | 5         | 8           | 131         |
|                       | 11%        | 9%             | 10%       | 14%         | 12%                   | 14%        | 4%                   | 15%        | 12%        | 11%                    | 12%               | 5%                           | 20%              | 11%        | 18%        | 9%         | 11%       | 20%       | 8%         | 10%           | 9%            | 10%                      | 13%        | 11%        | 9%        | 8%          | 11%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>929</b> | <b>422</b>     | <b>90</b> | <b>417</b>  | <b>296</b>            | <b>218</b> | <b>222</b>           | <b>318</b> | <b>422</b> | <b>249</b>             | <b>172</b>        | <b>260</b>                   | <b>151</b>       | <b>860</b> | <b>67</b>  | <b>141</b> | <b>91</b> | <b>98</b> | <b>93</b>  | <b>85</b>     | <b>63</b>     | <b>80</b>                | <b>103</b> | <b>42</b>  | <b>51</b> | <b>83</b>   | <b>930</b>  |
|                       | 80%        | 81%            | 82%       | 79%         | 80%                   | 76%        | 88%                  | 75%        | 81%        | 78%                    | 81%               | 91%                          | 69%              | 82%        | 67%        | 87%        | 83%       | 67%       | 90%        | 81%           | 73%           | 80%                      | 77%        | 82%        | 88%       | 82%         | 80%         |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>98</b>  | <b>52</b>      | <b>9</b>  | <b>37</b>   | <b>32</b>             | <b>29</b>  | <b>20</b>            | <b>41</b>  | <b>39</b>  | <b>35</b>              | <b>16</b>         | <b>12</b>                    | <b>25</b>        | <b>84</b>  | <b>14</b>  | <b>7</b>   | <b>7</b>  | <b>20</b> | <b>2</b>   | <b>9</b>      | <b>16</b>     | <b>10</b>                | <b>13</b>  | <b>3</b>   | <b>2</b>  | <b>10</b>   | <b>95</b>   |
|                       | 8%         | 10%            | 8%        | 7%          | 8%                    | 10%        | 8%                   | 10%        | 7%         | 11%                    | 8%                | 4%                           | 11%              | 8%         | 14%        | 4%         | 6%        | 14%       | 2%         | 8%            | 18%           | 10%                      | 10%        | 6%         | 3%        | 10%         | 8%          |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)



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Table 127

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- MPs can raise problems their constituents are having in the House of Commons -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Total      | Urbanity   |            |            | Interest in politics |                | Likelihood to vote |                | Political activism |              | Opinion on present system |                   | Knew local MP |            | Unwtd total |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|
|                       |            | Urban      | Rural      | Mixed      | Interested           | Not interested | Certain to         | Certain not to | Activist           | Non-activist | Works well                | Needs improvement | Yes           | No         |             |
| Unweighted total      | 1156       | 773        | 145        | 238        | 580                  | 569            | 627                | 143            | 160                | 996          | 327                       | 783               | 495           | 661        | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | 1156       | 784        | 136        | 235        | 611                  | 539            | 619                | 140            | 180                | 976          | 322                       | 793               | 511           | 645        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b> | <b>535</b> | <b>97</b>  | <b>170</b> | <b>404</b>           | <b>394</b>     | <b>430</b>         | <b>96</b>      | <b>118</b>         | <b>684</b>   | <b>232</b>                | <b>543</b>        | <b>339</b>    | <b>464</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | 929        | 615        | 121        | 194        | 541                  | 384            | 529                | 93             | 163                | 766          | 263                       | 649               | 432           | 497        | 930         |
|                       | 80%        | 78%        | 89%        | 82%        | 88%                  | 71%            | 86%                | 66%            | 91%                | 78%          | 82%                       | 82%               | 85%           | 77%        | 80%         |
| False                 | 98         | 73         | 7          | 17         | 36                   | 61             | 43                 | 14             | 9                  | 89           | 21                        | 70                | 42            | 55         | 95          |
|                       | 8%         | 9%         | 5%         | 7%         | 6%                   | 11%            | 7%                 | 10%            | 5%                 | 9%           | 7%                        | 9%                | 8%            | 9%         | 8%          |
| Don't know            | 129        | 97         | 8          | 24         | 35                   | 93             | 46                 | 33             | 8                  | 121          | 37                        | 74                | 36            | 93         | 131         |
|                       | 11%        | 12%        | 6%         | 10%        | 6%                   | 17%            | 8%                 | 23%            | 4%                 | 12%          | 12%                       | 9%                | 7%            | 14%        | 11%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>929</b> | <b>615</b> | <b>121</b> | <b>194</b> | <b>541</b>           | <b>384</b>     | <b>529</b>         | <b>93</b>      | <b>163</b>         | <b>766</b>   | <b>263</b>                | <b>649</b>        | <b>432</b>    | <b>497</b> | <b>930</b>  |
|                       | 80%        | 78%        | 89%        | 82%        | 88%                  | 71%            | 86%                | 66%            | 91%                | 78%          | 82%                       | 82%               | 85%           | 77%        | 80%         |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>98</b>  | <b>73</b>  | <b>7</b>   | <b>17</b>  | <b>36</b>            | <b>61</b>      | <b>43</b>          | <b>14</b>      | <b>9</b>           | <b>89</b>    | <b>21</b>                 | <b>70</b>         | <b>42</b>     | <b>55</b>  | <b>95</b>   |
|                       | 8%         | 9%         | 5%         | 7%         | 6%                   | 11%            | 7%                 | 10%            | 5%                 | 9%           | 7%                        | 9%                | 8%            | 9%         | 8%          |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 128

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- MPs can raise problems their constituents are having in the House of Commons -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Quiz score  |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |            | Satisfaction with MPs in general |            | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |              | Unwtd total |                     |
|-----------------------|-------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|--|------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
|                       | Total       | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                           | Agree      | Disagree        | Use internet |             | Do not use internet |
| Unweighted total      | <b>1156</b> | 210        | 463        | 483                        | 459        | 183                              | 349        | 502                                    | 438        | 450             | 762          | 394         | 1156                |
| Weighted total        | <b>1156</b> | 187        | 470        | 499                        | 444        | 190                              | 336        | 515                                    | 427        | 474             | 826          | 330         | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>  | <b>150</b> | <b>310</b> | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b> | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b> | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b> | <b>302</b>      | <b>540</b>   | <b>269</b>  | <b>1156</b>         |
| True                  | <b>929</b>  | 74         | 379        | 476                        | 376        | 146                              | 288        | 424                                    | 361        | 382             | 686          | 243         | 930                 |
|                       | <b>80%</b>  | 40%        | 81%        | 95%                        | 85%        | 77%                              | 86%        | 82%                                    | 84%        | 81%             | 83%          | 74%         | 80%                 |
| False                 | <b>98</b>   | 26         | 54         | 17                         | 33         | 26                               | 21         | 52                                     | 36         | 39              | 61           | 37          | 95                  |
|                       | <b>8%</b>   | 14%        | 12%        | 3%                         | 7%         | 14%                              | 6%         | 10%                                    | 9%         | 8%              | 7%           | 11%         | 8%                  |
| Don't know            | <b>129</b>  | 87         | 37         | 6                          | 35         | 19                               | 27         | 38                                     | 30         | 53              | 79           | 50          | 131                 |
|                       | <b>11%</b>  | 46%        | 8%         | 1%                         | 8%         | 10%                              | 8%         | 7%                                     | 7%         | 11%             | 10%          | 15%         | 11%                 |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>929</b>  | <b>74</b>  | <b>379</b> | <b>476</b>                 | <b>376</b> | <b>146</b>                       | <b>288</b> | <b>424</b>                             | <b>361</b> | <b>382</b>      | <b>686</b>   | <b>243</b>  | <b>930</b>          |
|                       | <b>80%</b>  | <b>40%</b> | <b>81%</b> | <b>95%</b>                 | <b>85%</b> | <b>77%</b>                       | <b>86%</b> | <b>82%</b>                             | <b>84%</b> | <b>81%</b>      | <b>83%</b>   | <b>74%</b>  | <b>80%</b>          |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>98</b>   | 26         | 54         | 17                         | 33         | 26                               | 21         | 52                                     | 36         | 39              | 61           | 37          | 95                  |
|                       | <b>8%</b>   | 14%        | 12%        | 3%                         | 7%         | 14%                              | 6%         | 10%                                    | 9%         | 8%              | 7%           | 11%         | 8%                  |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 129

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- MPs can raise problems their constituents are having in the House of Commons -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |             |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                       | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |             |
| Unweighted total      | <b>1156</b>           | 163                      | 351                     | 386         | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146             | 228                   | 62              | 93                     | 287               | 102         | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | <b>1156</b>           | 175                      | 373                     | 396         | 387                   | 116                | 157                   | 159             | 191                   | 66              | 92                     | 277               | 99          | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>            | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>              | <b>263</b>  | <b>290</b>            | <b>72</b>          | <b>101</b>            | <b>92</b>       | <b>160</b>            | <b>49</b>       | <b>66</b>              | <b>209</b>        | <b>63</b>   | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | <b>929</b>            | 149                      | 322                     | 299         | 309                   | 106                | 139                   | 144             | 149                   | 61              | 74                     | 205               | 50          | 930         |
|                       | <b>80%</b>            | 85%                      | 86%                     | 75%         | 80%                   | 92%                | 89%                   | 90%             | 78%                   | 93%             | 81%                    | 74%               | 51%         | 80%         |
| False                 | <b>98</b>             | 13                       | 23                      | 49          | 25                    | 6                  | 8                     | 11              | 17                    | 4               | 12                     | 25                | 15          | 95          |
|                       | <b>8%</b>             | 7%                       | 6%                      | 12%         | 6%                    | 5%                 | 5%                    | 7%              | 9%                    | 6%              | 13%                    | 9%                | 15%         | 8%          |
| Don't know            | <b>129</b>            | 13                       | 28                      | 48          | 53                    | 4                  | 10                    | 4               | 25                    | 1               | 6                      | 47                | 33          | 131         |
|                       | <b>11%</b>            | 8%                       | 7%                      | 12%         | 14%                   | 3%                 | 6%                    | 3%              | 13%                   | 1%              | 6%                     | 17%               | 34%         | 11%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>929</b>            | <b>149</b>               | <b>322</b>              | <b>299</b>  | <b>309</b>            | <b>106</b>         | <b>139</b>            | <b>144</b>      | <b>149</b>            | <b>61</b>       | <b>74</b>              | <b>205</b>        | <b>50</b>   | <b>930</b>  |
|                       | <b>80%</b>            | <b>85%</b>               | <b>86%</b>              | <b>75%</b>  | <b>80%</b>            | <b>92%</b>         | <b>89%</b>            | <b>90%</b>      | <b>78%</b>            | <b>93%</b>      | <b>81%</b>             | <b>74%</b>        | <b>51%</b>  | <b>80%</b>  |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>98</b>             | 13                       | 23                      | 49          | 25                    | 6                  | 8                     | 11              | 17                    | 4               | 12                     | 25                | 15          | 95          |
|                       | <b>8%</b>             | 7%                       | 6%                      | 12%         | 6%                    | 5%                 | 5%                    | 7%              | 9%                    | 6%              | 13%                    | 9%                | 15%         | 8%          |

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Table 130

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- The minimum age for voting at a general election is 16 -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Gender     |            | Age        |            |            |            |            |            |            |           |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                       | Male       | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34      | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34     | 35-54      | 55+        | AB           | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands  | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| Unweighted total      | 1156       | 552        | 604        | 138        | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135       | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | 1156       | 561        | 595        | 173        | 183        | 216        | 186        | 169        | 117        | 111       | 356        | 402        | 398          | 310        | 333        | 241        | 272        | 642        | 514        | 387        | 411        | 358            | 306                   | 681                            | 169         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b> | <b>391</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>98</b>  | <b>145</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b> | <b>236</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>222</b> | <b>401</b> | <b>413</b> | <b>312</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | 154        | 85         | 69         | 35         | 36         | 36         | 9          | 12         | 13         | 12        | 71         | 45         | 37           | 25         | 35         | 39         | 55         | 60         | 93         | 62         | 45         | 47             | 64                    | 73                             | 17          | 167         |
|                       | 13%        | 15%        | 12%        | 20%        | 20%        | 17%        | 5%         | 7%         | 11%        | 11%       | 20%        | 11%        | 9%           | 8%         | 11%        | 16%        | 20%        | 9%         | 18%        | 16%        | 11%        | 13%            | 21%                   | 11%                            | 10%         | 14%         |
| False                 | 959        | 457        | 502        | 134        | 136        | 168        | 175        | 151        | 102        | 92        | 271        | 343        | 346          | 280        | 284        | 193        | 202        | 564        | 395        | 307        | 348        | 304            | 234                   | 582                            | 143         | 938         |
|                       | 83%        | 81%        | 84%        | 78%        | 74%        | 78%        | 94%        | 89%        | 87%        | 83%       | 76%        | 85%        | 87%          | 90%        | 85%        | 80%        | 74%        | 88%        | 77%        | 79%        | 85%        | 85%            | 76%                   | 86%                            | 85%         | 81%         |
| Don't know            | 43         | 19         | 24         | 4          | 11         | 12         | 2          | 6          | 2          | 7         | 15         | 14         | 15           | 5          | 13         | 9          | 16         | 17         | 26         | 19         | 18         | 7              | 9                     | 25                             | 9           | 51          |
|                       | 4%         | 3%         | 4%         | 2%         | 6%         | 6%         | 1%         | 3%         | 2%         | 6%        | 4%         | 3%         | 4%           | 1%         | 4%         | 4%         | 6%         | 3%         | 5%         | 5%         | 4%         | 2%             | 3%                    | 4%                             | 5%          | 4%          |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>959</b> | <b>457</b> | <b>502</b> | <b>134</b> | <b>136</b> | <b>168</b> | <b>175</b> | <b>151</b> | <b>102</b> | <b>92</b> | <b>271</b> | <b>343</b> | <b>346</b>   | <b>280</b> | <b>284</b> | <b>193</b> | <b>202</b> | <b>564</b> | <b>395</b> | <b>307</b> | <b>348</b> | <b>304</b>     | <b>234</b>            | <b>582</b>                     | <b>143</b>  | <b>938</b>  |
|                       | 83%        | 81%        | 84%        | 78%        | 74%        | 78%        | 94%        | 89%        | 87%        | 83%       | 76%        | 85%        | 87%          | 90%        | 85%        | 80%        | 74%        | 88%        | 77%        | 79%        | 85%        | 85%            | 76%                   | 86%                            | 85%         | 81%         |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>154</b> | <b>85</b>  | <b>69</b>  | <b>35</b>  | <b>36</b>  | <b>36</b>  | <b>9</b>   | <b>12</b>  | <b>13</b>  | <b>12</b> | <b>71</b>  | <b>45</b>  | <b>37</b>    | <b>25</b>  | <b>35</b>  | <b>39</b>  | <b>55</b>  | <b>60</b>  | <b>93</b>  | <b>62</b>  | <b>45</b>  | <b>47</b>      | <b>64</b>             | <b>73</b>                      | <b>17</b>   | <b>167</b>  |
|                       | 13%        | 15%        | 12%        | 20%        | 20%        | 17%        | 5%         | 7%         | 11%        | 11%       | 20%        | 11%        | 9%           | 8%         | 11%        | 16%        | 20%        | 9%         | 18%        | 16%        | 11%        | 13%            | 21%                   | 11%                            | 10%         | 14%         |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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Table 131

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- The minimum age for voting at a general election is 16 -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity  |             | GO Region  |            |            |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           | Unwtd total |            |             |
|-----------------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|                       | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME         | South East | Eastern    | London     | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland   |             |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>1156</b>    | <b>425</b> | <b>109</b>  | <b>622</b>            | <b>360</b> | <b>234</b>           | <b>201</b> | <b>445</b> | <b>548</b>             | <b>318</b>        | <b>183</b>                   | <b>258</b>       | <b>274</b> | <b>1007</b> | <b>146</b> | <b>116</b> | <b>102</b> | <b>121</b> | <b>102</b>    | <b>109</b>    | <b>71</b>                | <b>91</b>  | <b>122</b> | <b>68</b> | <b>97</b>   | <b>157</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| Unweighted total      | 1156           | 425        | 109         | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548                    | 318               | 183                          | 258              | 274        | 1007        | 146        | 116        | 102        | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68        | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | 1156           | 520        | 109         | 527                   | 372        | 287                  | 253        | 423        | 522                    | 320               | 213                          | 287              | 219        | 1054        | 100        | 162        | 110        | 147        | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101        | 134        | 51        | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b> | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b>             | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b> | <b>703</b>  | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b>  | <b>72</b>  | <b>86</b>  | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b> | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | 154            | 66         | 14          | 74                    | 58         | 47                   | 25         | 71         | 59                     | 49                | 26                           | 30               | 40         | 121         | 33         | 12         | 8          | 28         | 5             | 21            | 12                       | 15         | 26         | 10        | 6           | 11         | 167         |
|                       | 13%            | 13%        | 13%         | 14%                   | 15%        | 16%                  | 10%        | 17%        | 11%                    | 15%               | 12%                          | 10%              | 18%        | 11%         | 33%        | 8%         | 7%         | 19%        | 5%            | 20%           | 14%                      | 15%        | 19%        | 19%       | 10%         | 11%        | 14%         |
| False                 | 959            | 442        | 93          | 424                   | 297        | 233                  | 221        | 336        | 441                    | 260               | 185                          | 251              | 160        | 906         | 52         | 147        | 100        | 106        | 96            | 81            | 71                       | 80         | 101        | 40        | 52          | 86         | 938         |
|                       | 83%            | 85%        | 85%         | 80%                   | 80%        | 81%                  | 88%        | 79%        | 85%                    | 81%               | 87%                          | 87%              | 73%        | 86%         | 52%        | 91%        | 91%        | 72%        | 93%           | 78%           | 82%                      | 79%        | 75%        | 78%       | 90%         | 85%        | 81%         |
| Don't know            | 43             | 12         | 2           | 30                    | 17         | 7                    | 6          | 17         | 22                     | 11                | 2                            | 7                | 20         | 27          | 15         | 3          | 2          | 13         | 2             | 1             | 3                        | 6          | 7          | 1         | -           | 4          | 51          |
|                       | 4%             | 2%         | 1%          | 6%                    | 5%         | 2%                   | 2%         | 4%         | 4%                     | 4%                | 1%                           | 2%               | 9%         | 3%          | 15%        | 2%         | 2%         | 9%         | 2%            | 1%            | 4%                       | 6%         | 5%         | 3%        | -           | 4%         | 4%          |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>959</b>     | <b>442</b> | <b>93</b>   | <b>424</b>            | <b>297</b> | <b>233</b>           | <b>221</b> | <b>336</b> | <b>441</b>             | <b>260</b>        | <b>185</b>                   | <b>251</b>       | <b>160</b> | <b>906</b>  | <b>52</b>  | <b>147</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>106</b> | <b>96</b>     | <b>81</b>     | <b>71</b>                | <b>80</b>  | <b>101</b> | <b>40</b> | <b>52</b>   | <b>86</b>  | <b>938</b>  |
|                       | 83%            | 85%        | 85%         | 80%                   | 80%        | 81%                  | 88%        | 79%        | 85%                    | 81%               | 87%                          | 87%              | 73%        | 86%         | 52%        | 91%        | 91%        | 72%        | 93%           | 78%           | 82%                      | 79%        | 75%        | 78%       | 90%         | 85%        | 81%         |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>154</b>     | <b>66</b>  | <b>14</b>   | <b>74</b>             | <b>58</b>  | <b>47</b>            | <b>25</b>  | <b>71</b>  | <b>59</b>              | <b>49</b>         | <b>26</b>                    | <b>30</b>        | <b>40</b>  | <b>121</b>  | <b>33</b>  | <b>12</b>  | <b>8</b>   | <b>28</b>  | <b>5</b>      | <b>21</b>     | <b>12</b>                | <b>15</b>  | <b>26</b>  | <b>10</b> | <b>6</b>    | <b>11</b>  | <b>167</b>  |
|                       | 13%            | 13%        | 13%         | 14%                   | 15%        | 16%                  | 10%        | 17%        | 11%                    | 15%               | 12%                          | 10%              | 18%        | 11%         | 33%        | 8%         | 7%         | 19%        | 5%            | 20%           | 14%                      | 15%        | 19%        | 19%       | 10%         | 11%        | 14%         |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
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Table 132

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- The minimum age for voting at a general election is 16 -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Total                    | Urbanity                 |                          |                          | Interest in politics     |                          | Likelihood to vote       |                          | Political activism       |                          | Opinion on present system |                          | Knew local MP            |                          | Unwtd total              |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                       |                          | Urban                    | Rural                    | Mixed                    | Interested               | Not interested           | Certain to               | Certain not to           | Activist                 | Non-activist             | Works well                | Needs improvement        | Yes                      | No                       |                          |
| Unweighted total      | 1156                     | 773                      | 145                      | 238                      | 580                      | 569                      | 627                      | 143                      | 160                      | 996                      | 327                       | 783                      | 495                      | 661                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total        | 1156                     | 784                      | 136                      | 235                      | 611                      | 539                      | 619                      | 140                      | 180                      | 976                      | 322                       | 793                      | 511                      | 645                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b>               | <b>97</b>                | <b>170</b>               | <b>404</b>               | <b>394</b>               | <b>430</b>               | <b>96</b>                | <b>118</b>               | <b>684</b>               | <b>232</b>                | <b>543</b>               | <b>339</b>               | <b>464</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| True                  | 154<br>13%               | 110<br>14%               | 15<br>11%                | 28<br>12%                | 70<br>11%                | 84<br>16%                | 63<br>10%                | 25<br>18%                | 7<br>4%                  | 147<br>15%               | 47<br>15%                 | 100<br>13%               | 49<br>10%                | 104<br>16%               | 167<br>14%               |
| False                 | 959<br>83%               | 639<br>81%               | 118<br>87%               | 202<br>86%               | 527<br>86%               | 428<br>79%               | 540<br>87%               | 105<br>75%               | 170<br>95%               | 789<br>81%               | 265<br>82%                | 670<br>85%               | 453<br>89%               | 506<br>78%               | 938<br>81%               |
| Don't know            | 43<br>4%                 | 35<br>4%                 | 3<br>2%                  | 5<br>2%                  | 14<br>2%                 | 27<br>5%                 | 15<br>2%                 | 9<br>6%                  | 2<br>1%                  | 41<br>4%                 | 10<br>3%                  | 23<br>3%                 | 9<br>2%                  | 35<br>5%                 | 51<br>4%                 |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>959</b><br><b>83%</b> | <b>639</b><br><b>81%</b> | <b>118</b><br><b>87%</b> | <b>202</b><br><b>86%</b> | <b>527</b><br><b>86%</b> | <b>428</b><br><b>79%</b> | <b>540</b><br><b>87%</b> | <b>105</b><br><b>75%</b> | <b>170</b><br><b>95%</b> | <b>789</b><br><b>81%</b> | <b>265</b><br><b>82%</b>  | <b>670</b><br><b>85%</b> | <b>453</b><br><b>89%</b> | <b>506</b><br><b>78%</b> | <b>938</b><br><b>81%</b> |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>154</b><br><b>13%</b> | <b>110</b><br><b>14%</b> | <b>15</b><br><b>11%</b>  | <b>28</b><br><b>12%</b>  | <b>70</b><br><b>11%</b>  | <b>84</b><br><b>16%</b>  | <b>63</b><br><b>10%</b>  | <b>25</b><br><b>18%</b>  | <b>7</b><br><b>4%</b>    | <b>147</b><br><b>15%</b> | <b>47</b><br><b>15%</b>   | <b>100</b><br><b>13%</b> | <b>49</b><br><b>10%</b>  | <b>104</b><br><b>16%</b> | <b>167</b><br><b>14%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
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Table 133

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- The minimum age for voting at a general election is 16 -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Quiz score  |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |            | Satisfaction with MPs in general |            | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |              | Unwtd total |                     |
|-----------------------|-------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|--|------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
|                       | Total       | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                           | Agree      | Disagree        | Use internet |             | Do not use internet |
| Unweighted total      | <b>1156</b> | 210        | 463        | 483                        | 459        | 183                              | 349        | 502                                    | 438        | 450             | 762          | 394         | 1156                |
| Weighted total        | <b>1156</b> | 187        | 470        | 499                        | 444        | 190                              | 336        | 515                                    | 427        | 474             | 826          | 330         | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>  | <b>150</b> | <b>310</b> | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b> | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b> | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b> | <b>302</b>      | <b>540</b>   | <b>269</b>  | <b>1156</b>         |
| True                  | <b>154</b>  | 72         | 69         | 13                         | 54         | 23                               | 56         | 55                                     | 73         | 55              | 96           | 58          | 167                 |
|                       | <b>13%</b>  | 38%        | 15%        | 3%                         | 12%        | 12%                              | 17%        | 11%                                    | 17%        | 12%             | 12%          | 18%         | 14%                 |
| False                 | <b>959</b>  | 87         | 390        | 482                        | 382        | 163                              | 272        | 449                                    | 343        | 407             | 706          | 253         | 938                 |
|                       | <b>83%</b>  | 47%        | 83%        | 97%                        | 86%        | 86%                              | 81%        | 87%                                    | 80%        | 86%             | 86%          | 77%         | 81%                 |
| Don't know            | <b>43</b>   | 28         | 11         | 4                          | 7          | 4                                | 8          | 11                                     | 11         | 13              | 24           | 19          | 51                  |
|                       | <b>4%</b>   | 15%        | 2%         | 1%                         | 2%         | 2%                               | 2%         | 2%                                     | 3%         | 3%              | 3%           | 6%          | 4%                  |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>959</b>  | <b>87</b>  | <b>390</b> | <b>482</b>                 | <b>382</b> | <b>163</b>                       | <b>272</b> | <b>449</b>                             | <b>343</b> | <b>407</b>      | <b>706</b>   | <b>253</b>  | <b>938</b>          |
|                       | <b>83%</b>  | <b>47%</b> | <b>83%</b> | <b>97%</b>                 | <b>86%</b> | <b>86%</b>                       | <b>81%</b> | <b>87%</b>                             | <b>80%</b> | <b>86%</b>      | <b>86%</b>   | <b>77%</b>  | <b>81%</b>          |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>154</b>  | 72         | 69         | 13                         | 54         | 23                               | 56         | 55                                     | 73         | 55              | 96           | 58          | 167                 |
|                       | <b>13%</b>  | <b>38%</b> | <b>15%</b> | <b>3%</b>                  | <b>12%</b> | <b>12%</b>                       | <b>17%</b> | <b>11%</b>                             | <b>17%</b> | <b>12%</b>      | <b>12%</b>   | <b>18%</b>  | <b>14%</b>          |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 134

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- The minimum age for voting at a general election is 16 -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |             |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                       | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |             |
| Unweighted total      | <b>1156</b>           | 163                      | 351                     | 386         | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146             | 228                   | 62              | 93                     | 287               | 102         | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | <b>1156</b>           | 175                      | 373                     | 396         | 387                   | 116                | 157                   | 159             | 191                   | 66              | 92                     | 277               | 99          | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>            | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>              | <b>263</b>  | <b>290</b>            | <b>72</b>          | <b>101</b>            | <b>92</b>       | <b>160</b>            | <b>49</b>       | <b>66</b>              | <b>209</b>        | <b>63</b>   | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | <b>154</b>            | 16                       | 36                      | 49          | 69                    | 4                  | 14                    | 22              | 22                    | 1               | 28                     | 47                | 16          | 167         |
|                       | <b>13%</b>            | 9%                       | 10%                     | 12%         | 18%                   | 4%                 | 9%                    | 14%             | 11%                   | 1%              | 30%                    | 17%               | 16%         | 14%         |
| False                 | <b>959</b>            | 153                      | 327                     | 341         | 292                   | 111                | 141                   | 135             | 161                   | 65              | 61                     | 218               | 67          | 938         |
|                       | <b>83%</b>            | 87%                      | 88%                     | 86%         | 75%                   | 96%                | 90%                   | 85%             | 84%                   | 98%             | 67%                    | 79%               | 68%         | 81%         |
| Don't know            | <b>43</b>             | 6                        | 10                      | 6           | 27                    | -                  | 1                     | 3               | 8                     | 1               | 3                      | 12                | 16          | 51          |
|                       | <b>4%</b>             | 3%                       | 3%                      | 2%          | 7%                    | -                  | 1%                    | 2%              | 4%                    | 1%              | 3%                     | 4%                | 16%         | 4%          |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>959</b>            | <b>153</b>               | <b>327</b>              | <b>341</b>  | <b>292</b>            | <b>111</b>         | <b>141</b>            | <b>135</b>      | <b>161</b>            | <b>65</b>       | <b>61</b>              | <b>218</b>        | <b>67</b>   | <b>938</b>  |
|                       | <b>83%</b>            | <b>87%</b>               | <b>88%</b>              | <b>86%</b>  | <b>75%</b>            | <b>96%</b>         | <b>90%</b>            | <b>85%</b>      | <b>84%</b>            | <b>98%</b>      | <b>67%</b>             | <b>79%</b>        | <b>68%</b>  | <b>81%</b>  |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>154</b>            | 16                       | 36                      | 49          | 69                    | 4                  | 14                    | 22              | 22                    | 1               | 28                     | 47                | 16          | 167         |
|                       | <b>13%</b>            | 9%                       | 10%                     | 12%         | 18%                   | 4%                 | 9%                    | 14%             | 11%                   | 1%              | 30%                    | 17%               | 16%         | 14%         |

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Table 135

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- Most of the money that local councils spend is raised locally, through council tax -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Gender                   |                          | Age                      |                         |                         |                          |                         |                         |                         |                         |                          |                          | Social class             |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          | Region                   |                          |                          | Marital status           |                          |                                | Unwtd total             |                          |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
|                       | Male                     | Female                   | 18-24                    | 25-34                   | 35-44                   | 45-54                    | 55-64                   | 65-74                   | 75+                     | 18-34                   | 35-54                    | 55+                      | AB                       | C1                       | C2                       | DE                       | ABC1                     | C2DE                     | North                    | South                    | Mid lands                | Single                   | Married /Co-hab iting    | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |                         |                          |
| Unweighted total      | 1156                     | 552                      | 604                      | 138                     | 207                     | 206                      | 141                     | 170                     | 159                     | 135                     | 345                      | 347                      | 464                      | 224                      | 353                      | 257                      | 322                      | 577                      | 579                      | 438                      | 339                      | 379                      | 290                      | 669                            | 197                     | 1156                     |
| Weighted total        | 1156                     | 561                      | 595                      | 173                     | 183                     | 216                      | 186                     | 169                     | 117                     | 111                     | 356                      | 402                      | 398                      | 310                      | 333                      | 241                      | 272                      | 642                      | 514                      | 387                      | 411                      | 358                      | 306                      | 681                            | 169                     | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>               | <b>391</b>               | <b>410</b>               | <b>98</b>               | <b>145</b>              | <b>149</b>               | <b>105</b>              | <b>117</b>              | <b>135</b>              | <b>87</b>               | <b>236</b>               | <b>252</b>               | <b>323</b>               | <b>161</b>               | <b>256</b>               | <b>191</b>               | <b>222</b>               | <b>401</b>               | <b>413</b>               | <b>312</b>               | <b>250</b>               | <b>251</b>               | <b>203</b>               | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>              | <b>1156</b>              |
| True                  | 552<br>48%               | 272<br>49%               | 280<br>47%               | 94<br>54%               | 87<br>47%               | 104<br>48%               | 84<br>45%               | 77<br>45%               | 61<br>52%               | 46<br>41%               | 180<br>51%               | 188<br>47%               | 184<br>46%               | 121<br>39%               | 166<br>50%               | 125<br>52%               | 140<br>51%               | 287<br>45%               | 265<br>52%               | 188<br>49%               | 194<br>47%               | 171<br>48%               | 157<br>51%               | 313<br>46%                     | 83<br>49%               | 572<br>49%               |
| False                 | 415<br>36%               | 217<br>39%               | 199<br>33%               | 39<br>23%               | 51<br>28%               | 84<br>39%                | 73<br>39%               | 78<br>46%               | 44<br>38%               | 46<br>41%               | 90<br>25%                | 157<br>39%               | 168<br>42%               | 140<br>45%               | 118<br>35%               | 79<br>33%                | 78<br>29%                | 258<br>40%               | 157<br>31%               | 133<br>34%               | 147<br>36%               | 136<br>38%               | 83<br>27%                | 273<br>40%                     | 60<br>35%               | 419<br>36%               |
| Don't know            | 188<br>16%               | 72<br>13%                | 116<br>20%               | 40<br>23%               | 46<br>25%               | 27<br>13%                | 29<br>15%               | 15<br>9%                | 11<br>10%               | 20<br>18%               | 86<br>24%                | 56<br>14%                | 46<br>12%                | 48<br>16%                | 48<br>15%                | 37<br>15%                | 54<br>20%                | 97<br>15%                | 91<br>18%                | 67<br>17%                | 71<br>17%                | 51<br>14%                | 66<br>22%                | 95<br>14%                      | 26<br>16%               | 165<br>14%               |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>415</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>217</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>199</b><br><b>33%</b> | <b>39</b><br><b>23%</b> | <b>51</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>84</b><br><b>39%</b>  | <b>73</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>78</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>44</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>46</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>90</b><br><b>25%</b>  | <b>157</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>168</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>140</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>118</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>79</b><br><b>33%</b>  | <b>78</b><br><b>29%</b>  | <b>258</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>157</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>133</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>147</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>136</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>83</b><br><b>27%</b>  | <b>273</b><br><b>40%</b>       | <b>60</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>419</b><br><b>36%</b> |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>552</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>272</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>280</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>94</b><br><b>54%</b> | <b>87</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>104</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>84</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>77</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>61</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>46</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>180</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>188</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>184</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>121</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>166</b><br><b>50%</b> | <b>125</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>140</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>287</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>265</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>188</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>194</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>171</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>157</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>313</b><br><b>46%</b>       | <b>83</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>572</b><br><b>49%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
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Table 136

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- Most of the money that local councils spend is raised locally, through council tax -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Working status           |                          |                         | Children in household    |                          | Newspaper readership     |                          |                          | Education                |                          |                              |                          | Ethnicity                |                          | GO Region               |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                          |                         |                         |                         | Unwtd total             |                         |                          |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
|                       | Full time                | Part time                | Not working             | Yes                      | No                       | Quality                  | Popular                  | None                     | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12   | A-Level or equiv.        | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals.         | White                    | BME                      | South East              | Eastern                 | London                  | South West              | West Midlands           | East Midlands           | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West              | North East              | Wales                   |                         | Scotland                |                          |
| Unweighted total      | 1156                     | 425                      | 109                     | 622                      | 360                      | 234                      | 201                      | 445                      | 548                      | 318                      | 183                          | 258                      | 274                      | 1007                     | 146                     | 116                     | 102                     | 121                     | 102                     | 109                     | 71                       | 91                      | 122                     | 68                      | 97                      | 157                     | 1156                     |
| Weighted total        | 1156                     | 520                      | 109                     | 527                      | 372                      | 287                      | 253                      | 423                      | 522                      | 320                      | 213                          | 287                      | 219                      | 1054                     | 100                     | 162                     | 110                     | 147                     | 103                     | 104                     | 87                       | 101                     | 134                     | 51                      | 58                      | 102                     | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>               | <b>306</b>               | <b>78</b>               | <b>438</b>               | <b>245</b>               | <b>163</b>               | <b>143</b>               | <b>313</b>               | <b>382</b>               | <b>224</b>               | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>               | <b>201</b>               | <b>703</b>               | <b>115</b>              | <b>90</b>               | <b>72</b>               | <b>86</b>               | <b>79</b>               | <b>75</b>               | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>               | <b>90</b>               | <b>51</b>               | <b>76</b>               | <b>118</b>              | <b>1156</b>              |
| True                  | 552<br>48%               | 251<br>48%               | 54<br>49%               | 247<br>47%               | 181<br>49%               | 153<br>53%               | 100<br>40%               | 232<br>55%               | 241<br>46%               | 162<br>51%               | 100<br>47%                   | 111<br>39%               | 122<br>56%               | 490<br>46%               | 61<br>61%               | 72<br>45%               | 53<br>48%               | 65<br>45%               | 56<br>55%               | 46<br>44%               | 43<br>50%                | 42<br>41%               | 83<br>62%               | 18<br>36%               | 30<br>51%               | 45<br>44%               | 572<br>49%               |
| False                 | 415<br>36%               | 177<br>34%               | 40<br>37%               | 198<br>38%               | 129<br>35%               | 76<br>27%                | 118<br>47%               | 125<br>30%               | 190<br>36%               | 102<br>32%               | 75<br>35%                    | 133<br>47%               | 67<br>30%                | 395<br>37%               | 20<br>20%               | 67<br>41%               | 45<br>41%               | 50<br>34%               | 30<br>29%               | 39<br>38%               | 30<br>35%                | 42<br>42%               | 26<br>19%               | 21<br>41%               | 22<br>38%               | 43<br>42%               | 419<br>36%               |
| Don't know            | 188<br>16%               | 91<br>18%                | 16<br>14%               | 81<br>15%                | 62<br>17%                | 58<br>20%                | 34<br>14%                | 66<br>16%                | 91<br>17%                | 56<br>17%                | 38<br>18%                    | 42<br>15%                | 31<br>14%                | 169<br>16%               | 19<br>19%               | 23<br>14%               | 12<br>11%               | 31<br>21%               | 17<br>16%               | 19<br>18%               | 13<br>16%                | 16<br>16%               | 25<br>19%               | 12<br>23%               | 6<br>11%                | 14<br>13%               | 165<br>14%               |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>415</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>177</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>40</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>198</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>129</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>76</b><br><b>27%</b>  | <b>118</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>125</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>190</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>102</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>75</b><br><b>35%</b>      | <b>133</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>67</b><br><b>30%</b>  | <b>395</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>20</b><br><b>20%</b> | <b>67</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>45</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>50</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>30</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>39</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>30</b><br><b>35%</b>  | <b>42</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>26</b><br><b>19%</b> | <b>21</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>22</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>43</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>419</b><br><b>36%</b> |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>552</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>251</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>54</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>247</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>181</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>153</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>100</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>232</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>241</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>162</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>100</b><br><b>47%</b>     | <b>111</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>122</b><br><b>56%</b> | <b>490</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>61</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>72</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>53</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>65</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>56</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>46</b><br><b>44%</b> | <b>43</b><br><b>50%</b>  | <b>42</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>83</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>18</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>30</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>45</b><br><b>44%</b> | <b>572</b><br><b>49%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
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Table 137

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- Most of the money that local councils spend is raised locally, through council tax -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Total                    | Urbanity                 |                         |                          | Interest in politics     |                          | Likelihood to vote       |                         | Political activism      |                          | Opinion on present system |                          | Knew local MP            |                          | Unwtd total              |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                       |                          | Urban                    | Rural                   | Mixed                    | Interested               | Not interested           | Certain to               | Certain not to          | Activist                | Non-activist             | Works well                | Needs improvement        | Yes                      | No                       |                          |
| Unweighted total      | 1156                     | 773                      | 145                     | 238                      | 580                      | 569                      | 627                      | 143                     | 160                     | 996                      | 327                       | 783                      | 495                      | 661                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total        | 1156                     | 784                      | 136                     | 235                      | 611                      | 539                      | 619                      | 140                     | 180                     | 976                      | 322                       | 793                      | 511                      | 645                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b>               | <b>97</b>               | <b>170</b>               | <b>404</b>               | <b>394</b>               | <b>430</b>               | <b>96</b>               | <b>118</b>              | <b>684</b>               | <b>232</b>                | <b>543</b>               | <b>339</b>               | <b>464</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| True                  | 552<br>48%               | 364<br>46%               | 66<br>49%               | 122<br>52%               | 269<br>44%               | 281<br>52%               | 279<br>45%               | 66<br>47%               | 65<br>36%               | 487<br>50%               | 147<br>46%                | 392<br>49%               | 247<br>48%               | 305<br>47%               | 572<br>49%               |
| False                 | 415<br>36%               | 285<br>36%               | 51<br>37%               | 79<br>34%                | 261<br>43%               | 152<br>28%               | 248<br>40%               | 44<br>31%               | 84<br>47%               | 331<br>34%               | 111<br>35%                | 297<br>37%               | 196<br>38%               | 220<br>34%               | 419<br>36%               |
| Don't know            | 188<br>16%               | 135<br>17%               | 19<br>14%               | 34<br>14%                | 80<br>13%                | 105<br>20%               | 91<br>15%                | 30<br>21%               | 31<br>17%               | 158<br>16%               | 63<br>20%                 | 104<br>13%               | 68<br>13%                | 120<br>19%               | 165<br>14%               |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>415</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>285</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>51</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>79</b><br><b>34%</b>  | <b>261</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>152</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>248</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>44</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>84</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>331</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>111</b><br><b>35%</b>  | <b>297</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>196</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>220</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>419</b><br><b>36%</b> |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>552</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>364</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>66</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>122</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>269</b><br><b>44%</b> | <b>281</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>279</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>66</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>65</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>487</b><br><b>50%</b> | <b>147</b><br><b>46%</b>  | <b>392</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>247</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>305</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>572</b><br><b>49%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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Table 138

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- Most of the money that local councils spend is raised locally, through council tax -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Quiz score  |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |            | Satisfaction with MPs in general |            | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |              | Unwtd total |                     |
|-----------------------|-------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|--|------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
|                       | Total       | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                           | Agree      | Disagree        | Use internet |             | Do not use internet |
| Unweighted total      | <b>1156</b> | 210        | 463        | 483                        | 459        | 183                              | 349        | 502                                    | 438        | 450             | 762          | 394         | 1156                |
| Weighted total        | <b>1156</b> | 187        | 470        | 499                        | 444        | 190                              | 336        | 515                                    | 427        | 474             | 826          | 330         | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>  | <b>150</b> | <b>310</b> | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b> | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b> | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b> | <b>302</b>      | <b>540</b>   | <b>269</b>  | <b>1156</b>         |
| True                  | <b>552</b>  | 98         | 299        | 155                        | 232        | 85                               | 166        | 265                                    | 221        | 227             | 382          | 170         | 572                 |
|                       | <b>48%</b>  | 53%        | 64%        | 31%                        | 52%        | 45%                              | 49%        | 51%                                    | 52%        | 48%             | 46%          | 52%         | 49%                 |
| False                 | <b>415</b>  | 17         | 102        | 297                        | 154        | 79                               | 131        | 176                                    | 157        | 169             | 305          | 111         | 419                 |
|                       | <b>36%</b>  | 9%         | 22%        | 59%                        | 35%        | 41%                              | 39%        | 34%                                    | 37%        | 36%             | 37%          | 34%         | 36%                 |
| Don't know            | <b>188</b>  | 72         | 69         | 47                         | 59         | 26                               | 39         | 74                                     | 49         | 78              | 139          | 49          | 165                 |
|                       | <b>16%</b>  | 38%        | 15%        | 10%                        | 13%        | 14%                              | 12%        | 14%                                    | 12%        | 16%             | 17%          | 15%         | 14%                 |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>415</b>  | <b>17</b>  | <b>102</b> | <b>297</b>                 | <b>154</b> | <b>79</b>                        | <b>131</b> | <b>176</b>                             | <b>157</b> | <b>169</b>      | <b>305</b>   | <b>111</b>  | <b>419</b>          |
|                       | <b>36%</b>  | <b>9%</b>  | <b>22%</b> | <b>59%</b>                 | <b>35%</b> | <b>41%</b>                       | <b>39%</b> | <b>34%</b>                             | <b>37%</b> | <b>36%</b>      | <b>37%</b>   | <b>34%</b>  | <b>36%</b>          |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>552</b>  | <b>98</b>  | <b>299</b> | <b>155</b>                 | <b>232</b> | <b>85</b>                        | <b>166</b> | <b>265</b>                             | <b>221</b> | <b>227</b>      | <b>382</b>   | <b>170</b>  | <b>572</b>          |
|                       | <b>48%</b>  | <b>53%</b> | <b>64%</b> | <b>31%</b>                 | <b>52%</b> | <b>45%</b>                       | <b>49%</b> | <b>51%</b>                             | <b>52%</b> | <b>48%</b>      | <b>46%</b>   | <b>52%</b>  | <b>49%</b>          |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 139

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- Most of the money that local councils spend is raised locally, through council tax -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |             |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                       | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |             |
| Unweighted total      | 1156                  | 163                      | 351                     | 386         | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146             | 228                   | 62              | 93                     | 287               | 102         | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | 1156                  | 175                      | 373                     | 396         | 387                   | 116                | 157                   | 159             | 191                   | 66              | 92                     | 277               | 99          | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>            | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>              | <b>263</b>  | <b>290</b>            | <b>72</b>          | <b>101</b>            | <b>92</b>       | <b>160</b>            | <b>49</b>       | <b>66</b>              | <b>209</b>        | <b>63</b>   | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | 552                   | 62                       | 161                     | 195         | 196                   | 28                 | 66                    | 80              | 110                   | 15              | 71                     | 156               | 27          | 572         |
|                       | 48%                   | 36%                      | 43%                     | 49%         | 51%                   | 24%                | 42%                   | 50%             | 57%                   | 23%             | 78%                    | 56%               | 27%         | 49%         |
| False                 | 415                   | 83                       | 148                     | 132         | 135                   | 70                 | 67                    | 60              | 57                    | 44              | 13                     | 73                | 33          | 419         |
|                       | 36%                   | 48%                      | 40%                     | 33%         | 35%                   | 60%                | 43%                   | 38%             | 30%                   | 66%             | 14%                    | 26%               | 33%         | 36%         |
| Don't know            | 188                   | 29                       | 64                      | 69          | 55                    | 18                 | 24                    | 19              | 25                    | 7               | 7                      | 49                | 39          | 165         |
|                       | 16%                   | 17%                      | 17%                     | 17%         | 14%                   | 16%                | 15%                   | 12%             | 13%                   | 11%             | 8%                     | 18%               | 40%         | 14%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>415</b>            | <b>83</b>                | <b>148</b>              | <b>132</b>  | <b>135</b>            | <b>70</b>          | <b>67</b>             | <b>60</b>       | <b>57</b>             | <b>44</b>       | <b>13</b>              | <b>73</b>         | <b>33</b>   | <b>419</b>  |
|                       | <b>36%</b>            | <b>48%</b>               | <b>40%</b>              | <b>33%</b>  | <b>35%</b>            | <b>60%</b>         | <b>43%</b>            | <b>38%</b>      | <b>30%</b>            | <b>66%</b>      | <b>14%</b>             | <b>26%</b>        | <b>33%</b>  | <b>36%</b>  |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>552</b>            | <b>62</b>                | <b>161</b>              | <b>195</b>  | <b>196</b>            | <b>28</b>          | <b>66</b>             | <b>80</b>       | <b>110</b>            | <b>15</b>       | <b>71</b>              | <b>156</b>        | <b>27</b>   | <b>572</b>  |
|                       | <b>48%</b>            | <b>36%</b>               | <b>43%</b>              | <b>49%</b>  | <b>51%</b>            | <b>24%</b>         | <b>42%</b>            | <b>50%</b>      | <b>57%</b>            | <b>23%</b>      | <b>78%</b>             | <b>56%</b>        | <b>27%</b>  | <b>49%</b>  |

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Table 140

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- Government and Parliament are the same thing -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Gender     |            | Age        |           |            |            |            |            |            |           |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                       | Male       | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34     | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34     | 35-54      | 55+        | AB           | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands  | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| Unweighted total      | 1156       | 552        | 604        | 138       | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135       | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | 1156       | 561        | 595        | 173       | 183        | 216        | 186        | 169        | 117        | 111       | 356        | 402        | 398          | 310        | 333        | 241        | 272        | 642        | 514        | 387        | 411        | 358            | 306                   | 681                            | 169         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b> | <b>391</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>98</b> | <b>145</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b> | <b>236</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>222</b> | <b>401</b> | <b>413</b> | <b>312</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | 322        | 159        | 163        | 48        | 40         | 71         | 36         | 40         | 41         | 47        | 88         | 106        | 128          | 52         | 85         | 87         | 97         | 137        | 185        | 120        | 91         | 111            | 87                    | 171                            | 65          | 357         |
|                       | 28%        | 28%        | 27%        | 28%       | 22%        | 33%        | 19%        | 24%        | 35%        | 42%       | 25%        | 26%        | 32%          | 17%        | 26%        | 36%        | 36%        | 21%        | 36%        | 31%        | 22%        | 31%            | 28%                   | 25%                            | 38%         | 31%         |
| False                 | 725        | 364        | 361        | 95        | 119        | 127        | 141        | 120        | 68         | 54        | 214        | 268        | 243          | 247        | 213        | 135        | 130        | 460        | 266        | 232        | 284        | 210            | 179                   | 462                            | 85          | 674         |
|                       | 63%        | 65%        | 61%        | 55%       | 65%        | 59%        | 76%        | 71%        | 58%        | 49%       | 60%        | 67%        | 61%          | 80%        | 64%        | 56%        | 48%        | 72%        | 52%        | 60%        | 69%        | 59%            | 58%                   | 68%                            | 50%         | 58%         |
| Don't know            | 109        | 38         | 70         | 30        | 24         | 18         | 9          | 9          | 8          | 11        | 54         | 28         | 27           | 11         | 35         | 18         | 45         | 45         | 63         | 35         | 36         | 37             | 41                    | 48                             | 20          | 125         |
|                       | 9%         | 7%         | 12%        | 17%       | 13%        | 8%         | 5%         | 5%         | 6%         | 9%        | 15%        | 7%         | 7%           | 3%         | 10%        | 8%         | 16%        | 7%         | 12%        | 9%         | 9%         | 10%            | 13%                   | 7%                             | 12%         | 11%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>725</b> | <b>364</b> | <b>361</b> | <b>95</b> | <b>119</b> | <b>127</b> | <b>141</b> | <b>120</b> | <b>68</b>  | <b>54</b> | <b>214</b> | <b>268</b> | <b>243</b>   | <b>247</b> | <b>213</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>130</b> | <b>460</b> | <b>266</b> | <b>232</b> | <b>284</b> | <b>210</b>     | <b>179</b>            | <b>462</b>                     | <b>85</b>   | <b>674</b>  |
|                       | 63%        | 65%        | 61%        | 55%       | 65%        | 59%        | 76%        | 71%        | 58%        | 49%       | 60%        | 67%        | 61%          | 80%        | 64%        | 56%        | 48%        | 72%        | 52%        | 60%        | 69%        | 59%            | 58%                   | 68%                            | 50%         | 58%         |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>322</b> | <b>159</b> | <b>163</b> | <b>48</b> | <b>40</b>  | <b>71</b>  | <b>36</b>  | <b>40</b>  | <b>41</b>  | <b>47</b> | <b>88</b>  | <b>106</b> | <b>128</b>   | <b>52</b>  | <b>85</b>  | <b>87</b>  | <b>97</b>  | <b>137</b> | <b>185</b> | <b>120</b> | <b>91</b>  | <b>111</b>     | <b>87</b>             | <b>171</b>                     | <b>65</b>   | <b>357</b>  |
|                       | 28%        | 28%        | 27%        | 28%       | 22%        | 33%        | 19%        | 24%        | 35%        | 42%       | 25%        | 26%        | 32%          | 17%        | 26%        | 36%        | 36%        | 21%        | 36%        | 31%        | 22%        | 31%            | 28%                   | 25%                            | 38%         | 31%         |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 141

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- Government and Parliament are the same thing -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education                      |                         |   |                        | Ethnicity  |            | GO Region     |            |           |               |                  |                  |                                |               |               |           | Unwtd total |            |             |
|-----------------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|---|------------------------|------------|------------|---------------|------------|-----------|---------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|---------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|                       | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/<br>CSE/<br>NVQ12 | A-Level<br>or<br>equiv. | Degree/<br>Masters<br>/PhD or<br>equiv. | No<br>formal<br>quals. | White      | BME        | South<br>East | Eastern    | London    | South<br>West | West<br>Midlands | East<br>Midlands | Yorkshire<br>and<br>Humberside | North<br>West | North<br>East | Wales     |             | Scotland   |             |
| Unweighted total      | 1156           | 425        | 109         | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548                            | 318                     | 183                                     | 258                    | 274        | 1007       | 146           | 116        | 102       | 121           | 102              | 109              | 71                             | 91            | 122           | 68        | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | 1156           | 520        | 109         | 527                   | 372        | 287                  | 253        | 423        | 522                            | 320                     | 213                                     | 287                    | 219        | 1054       | 100           | 162        | 110       | 147           | 103              | 104              | 87                             | 101           | 134           | 51        | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b> | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b>                     | <b>224</b>              | <b>123</b>                              | <b>188</b>             | <b>201</b> | <b>703</b> | <b>115</b>    | <b>90</b>  | <b>72</b> | <b>86</b>     | <b>79</b>        | <b>75</b>        | <b>48</b>                      | <b>71</b>     | <b>90</b>     | <b>51</b> | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | 322            | 122        | 20          | 180                   | 103        | 74                   | 38         | 134        | 153                            | 96                      | 50                                      | 45                     | 101        | 286        | 35            | 23         | 32        | 40            | 28               | 36               | 22                             | 31            | 52            | 10        | 21          | 26         | 357         |
|                       | 28%            | 24%        | 18%         | 34%                   | 28%        | 26%                  | 15%        | 32%        | 29%                            | 30%                     | 23%                                     | 16%                    | 46%        | 27%        | 35%           | 14%        | 29%       | 27%           | 28%              | 34%              | 26%                            | 30%           | 39%           | 20%       | 36%         | 26%        | 31%         |
| False                 | 725            | 365        | 76          | 285                   | 226        | 186                  | 206        | 244        | 310                            | 186                     | 148                                     | 232                    | 82         | 680        | 44            | 133        | 70        | 86            | 65               | 52               | 54                             | 60            | 74            | 35        | 34          | 63         | 674         |
|                       | 63%            | 70%        | 70%         | 54%                   | 61%        | 65%                  | 82%        | 58%        | 59%                            | 58%                     | 70%                                     | 81%                    | 37%        | 65%        | 44%           | 82%        | 64%       | 58%           | 64%              | 50%              | 62%                            | 60%           | 55%           | 69%       | 59%         | 62%        | 58%         |
| Don't know            | 109            | 33         | 13          | 63                    | 42         | 27                   | 8          | 45         | 58                             | 37                      | 15                                      | 10                     | 36         | 88         | 20            | 6          | 8         | 21            | 9                | 16               | 11                             | 10            | 8             | 6         | 3           | 12         | 125         |
|                       | 9%             | 6%         | 12%         | 12%                   | 11%        | 9%                   | 3%         | 11%        | 11%                            | 12%                     | 7%                                      | 4%                     | 17%        | 8%         | 20%           | 4%         | 7%        | 14%           | 9%               | 16%              | 12%                            | 10%           | 6%            | 11%       | 5%          | 12%        | 11%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>725</b>     | <b>365</b> | <b>76</b>   | <b>285</b>            | <b>226</b> | <b>186</b>           | <b>206</b> | <b>244</b> | <b>310</b>                     | <b>186</b>              | <b>148</b>                              | <b>232</b>             | <b>82</b>  | <b>680</b> | <b>44</b>     | <b>133</b> | <b>70</b> | <b>86</b>     | <b>65</b>        | <b>52</b>        | <b>54</b>                      | <b>60</b>     | <b>74</b>     | <b>35</b> | <b>34</b>   | <b>63</b>  | <b>674</b>  |
|                       | 63%            | 70%        | 70%         | 54%                   | 61%        | 65%                  | 82%        | 58%        | 59%                            | 58%                     | 70%                                     | 81%                    | 37%        | 65%        | 44%           | 82%        | 64%       | 58%           | 64%              | 50%              | 62%                            | 60%           | 55%           | 69%       | 59%         | 62%        | 58%         |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>322</b>     | <b>122</b> | <b>20</b>   | <b>180</b>            | <b>103</b> | <b>74</b>            | <b>38</b>  | <b>134</b> | <b>153</b>                     | <b>96</b>               | <b>50</b>                               | <b>45</b>              | <b>101</b> | <b>286</b> | <b>35</b>     | <b>23</b>  | <b>32</b> | <b>40</b>     | <b>28</b>        | <b>36</b>        | <b>22</b>                      | <b>31</b>     | <b>52</b>     | <b>10</b> | <b>21</b>   | <b>26</b>  | <b>357</b>  |
|                       | 28%            | 24%        | 18%         | 34%                   | 28%        | 26%                  | 15%        | 32%        | 29%                            | 30%                     | 23%                                     | 16%                    | 46%        | 27%        | 35%           | 14%        | 29%       | 27%           | 28%              | 34%              | 26%                            | 30%           | 39%           | 20%       | 36%         | 26%        | 31%         |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 142

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- Government and Parliament are the same thing -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Total      | Urbanity   |            |            | Interest in politics |                | Likelihood to vote |                | Political activism |              | Opinion on present system |                   | Knew local MP |            | Unwtd total |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|
|                       |            | Urban      | Rural      | Mixed      | Interested           | Not interested | Certain to         | Certain not to | Activist           | Non-activist | Works well                | Needs improvement | Yes           | No         |             |
| Unweighted total      | 1156       | 773        | 145        | 238        | 580                  | 569            | 627                | 143            | 160                | 996          | 327                       | 783               | 495           | 661        | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | 1156       | 784        | 136        | 235        | 611                  | 539            | 619                | 140            | 180                | 976          | 322                       | 793               | 511           | 645        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b> | <b>535</b> | <b>97</b>  | <b>170</b> | <b>404</b>           | <b>394</b>     | <b>430</b>         | <b>96</b>      | <b>118</b>         | <b>684</b>   | <b>232</b>                | <b>543</b>        | <b>339</b>    | <b>464</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | 322        | 214        | 50         | 58         | 135                  | 185            | 143                | 49             | 21                 | 301          | 88                        | 216               | 136           | 185        | 357         |
|                       | 28%        | 27%        | 36%        | 25%        | 22%                  | 34%            | 23%                | 35%            | 11%                | 31%          | 27%                       | 27%               | 27%           | 29%        | 31%         |
| False                 | 725        | 490        | 83         | 152        | 449                  | 274            | 441                | 68             | 154                | 571          | 200                       | 514               | 347           | 379        | 674         |
|                       | 63%        | 63%        | 61%        | 65%        | 73%                  | 51%            | 71%                | 48%            | 86%                | 58%          | 62%                       | 65%               | 68%           | 59%        | 58%         |
| Don't know            | 109        | 80         | 4          | 25         | 27                   | 80             | 34                 | 23             | 5                  | 104          | 33                        | 63                | 28            | 81         | 125         |
|                       | 9%         | 10%        | 3%         | 11%        | 4%                   | 15%            | 5%                 | 17%            | 3%                 | 11%          | 10%                       | 8%                | 5%            | 13%        | 11%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>725</b> | <b>490</b> | <b>83</b>  | <b>152</b> | <b>449</b>           | <b>274</b>     | <b>441</b>         | <b>68</b>      | <b>154</b>         | <b>571</b>   | <b>200</b>                | <b>514</b>        | <b>347</b>    | <b>379</b> | <b>674</b>  |
|                       | <b>63%</b> | <b>63%</b> | <b>61%</b> | <b>65%</b> | <b>73%</b>           | <b>51%</b>     | <b>71%</b>         | <b>48%</b>     | <b>86%</b>         | <b>58%</b>   | <b>62%</b>                | <b>65%</b>        | <b>68%</b>    | <b>59%</b> | <b>58%</b>  |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>322</b> | <b>214</b> | <b>50</b>  | <b>58</b>  | <b>135</b>           | <b>185</b>     | <b>143</b>         | <b>49</b>      | <b>21</b>          | <b>301</b>   | <b>88</b>                 | <b>216</b>        | <b>136</b>    | <b>185</b> | <b>357</b>  |
|                       | <b>28%</b> | <b>27%</b> | <b>36%</b> | <b>25%</b> | <b>22%</b>           | <b>34%</b>     | <b>23%</b>         | <b>35%</b>     | <b>11%</b>         | <b>31%</b>   | <b>27%</b>                | <b>27%</b>        | <b>27%</b>    | <b>29%</b> | <b>31%</b>  |

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Table 143

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**- Government and Parliament are the same thing -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Quiz score  |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |            | Satisfaction with MPs in general |            | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |              | Unwtd total |                     |
|-----------------------|-------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|--|------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
|                       | Total       | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                           | Agree      | Disagree        | Use internet |             | Do not use internet |
| Unweighted total      | <b>1156</b> | 210        | 463        | 483                        | 459        | 183                              | 349        | 502                                    | 438        | 450             | 762          | 394         | 1156                |
| Weighted total        | <b>1156</b> | 187        | 470        | 499                        | 444        | 190                              | 336        | 515                                    | 427        | 474             | 826          | 330         | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>  | <b>150</b> | <b>310</b> | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b> | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b> | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b> | <b>302</b>      | <b>540</b>   | <b>269</b>  | <b>1156</b>         |
| True                  | <b>322</b>  | 92         | 180        | 50                         | 120        | 63                               | 94         | 148                                    | 127        | 127             | 180          | 142         | 357                 |
|                       | <b>28%</b>  | 49%        | 38%        | 10%                        | 27%        | 33%                              | 28%        | 29%                                    | 30%        | 27%             | 22%          | 43%         | 31%                 |
| False                 | <b>725</b>  | 27         | 251        | 447                        | 292        | 117                              | 215        | 338                                    | 279        | 302             | 578          | 148         | 674                 |
|                       | <b>63%</b>  | 14%        | 54%        | 90%                        | 66%        | 62%                              | 64%        | 66%                                    | 65%        | 64%             | 70%          | 45%         | 58%                 |
| Don't know            | <b>109</b>  | 68         | 38         | 2                          | 31         | 10                               | 27         | 29                                     | 22         | 44              | 69           | 40          | 125                 |
|                       | <b>9%</b>   | 36%        | 8%         | *                          | 7%         | 5%                               | 8%         | 6%                                     | 5%         | 9%              | 8%           | 12%         | 11%                 |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>725</b>  | 27         | 251        | 447                        | 292        | 117                              | 215        | 338                                    | 279        | 302             | 578          | 148         | 674                 |
|                       | <b>63%</b>  | 14%        | 54%        | 90%                        | 66%        | 62%                              | 64%        | 66%                                    | 65%        | 64%             | 70%          | 45%         | 58%                 |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>322</b>  | 92         | 180        | 50                         | 120        | 63                               | 94         | 148                                    | 127        | 127             | 180          | 142         | 357                 |
|                       | <b>28%</b>  | 49%        | 38%        | 10%                        | 27%        | 33%                              | 28%        | 29%                                    | 30%        | 27%             | 22%          | 43%         | 31%                 |

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Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |             |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                       | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |             |
| Unweighted total      | <b>1156</b>           | 163                      | 351                     | 386         | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146             | 228                   | 62              | 93                     | 287               | 102         | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | <b>1156</b>           | 175                      | 373                     | 396         | 387                   | 116                | 157                   | 159             | 191                   | 66              | 92                     | 277               | 99          | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>            | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>              | <b>263</b>  | <b>290</b>            | <b>72</b>          | <b>101</b>            | <b>92</b>       | <b>160</b>            | <b>49</b>       | <b>66</b>              | <b>209</b>        | <b>63</b>   | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | <b>322</b>            | 51                       | 102                     | 99          | 121                   | 6                  | 26                    | 39              | 60                    | 13              | 44                     | 91                | 42          | 357         |
|                       | <b>28%</b>            | 29%                      | 27%                     | 25%         | 31%                   | 5%                 | 16%                   | 25%             | 32%                   | 20%             | 48%                    | 33%               | 43%         | 31%         |
| False                 | <b>725</b>            | 112                      | 246                     | 255         | 225                   | 106                | 130                   | 117             | 105                   | 50              | 39                     | 148               | 31          | 674         |
|                       | <b>63%</b>            | 64%                      | 66%                     | 64%         | 58%                   | 92%                | 83%                   | 73%             | 55%                   | 76%             | 43%                    | 53%               | 32%         | 58%         |
| Don't know            | <b>109</b>            | 12                       | 25                      | 43          | 41                    | 3                  | 1                     | 3               | 26                    | 3               | 9                      | 38                | 25          | 125         |
|                       | <b>9%</b>             | 7%                       | 7%                      | 11%         | 11%                   | 3%                 | 1%                    | 2%              | 13%                   | 4%              | 9%                     | 14%               | 25%         | 11%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>725</b>            | <b>112</b>               | <b>246</b>              | <b>255</b>  | <b>225</b>            | <b>106</b>         | <b>130</b>            | <b>117</b>      | <b>105</b>            | <b>50</b>       | <b>39</b>              | <b>148</b>        | <b>31</b>   | <b>674</b>  |
|                       | <b>63%</b>            | <b>64%</b>               | <b>66%</b>              | <b>64%</b>  | <b>58%</b>            | <b>92%</b>         | <b>83%</b>            | <b>73%</b>      | <b>55%</b>            | <b>76%</b>      | <b>43%</b>             | <b>53%</b>        | <b>32%</b>  | <b>58%</b>  |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>322</b>            | 51                       | 102                     | 99          | 121                   | 6                  | 26                    | 39              | 60                    | 13              | 44                     | 91                | 42          | 357         |
|                       | <b>28%</b>            | <b>29%</b>               | <b>27%</b>              | <b>25%</b>  | <b>31%</b>            | <b>5%</b>          | <b>16%</b>            | <b>25%</b>      | <b>32%</b>            | <b>20%</b>      | <b>48%</b>             | <b>33%</b>        | <b>43%</b>  | <b>31%</b>  |

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Table 145

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- Political parties have to declare publically where they receive their money and donations from -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Gender     |            | Age        |            |            |            |            |            |            |           |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                       | Male       | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34      | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34     | 35-54      | 55+        | AB           | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands  | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| Unweighted total      | 1156       | 552        | 604        | 138        | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135       | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | 1156       | 561        | 595        | 173        | 183        | 216        | 186        | 169        | 117        | 111       | 356        | 402        | 398          | 310        | 333        | 241        | 272        | 642        | 514        | 387        | 411        | 358            | 306                   | 681                            | 169         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b> | <b>391</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>98</b>  | <b>145</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b> | <b>236</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>222</b> | <b>401</b> | <b>413</b> | <b>312</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | 838        | 427        | 411        | 112        | 121        | 151        | 155        | 129        | 95         | 74        | 233        | 306        | 299          | 250        | 252        | 169        | 168        | 501        | 337        | 288        | 300        | 251            | 203                   | 513                            | 122         | 828         |
|                       | 73%        | 76%        | 69%        | 65%        | 66%        | 70%        | 84%        | 76%        | 81%        | 67%       | 66%        | 76%        | 75%          | 81%        | 76%        | 70%        | 62%        | 78%        | 66%        | 74%        | 73%        | 70%            | 66%                   | 75%                            | 72%         | 72%         |
| False                 | 179        | 82         | 97         | 30         | 25         | 43         | 22         | 27         | 13         | 20        | 54         | 65         | 60           | 40         | 49         | 38         | 53         | 89         | 91         | 54         | 51         | 74             | 51                    | 107                            | 21          | 178         |
|                       | 16%        | 15%        | 16%        | 17%        | 13%        | 20%        | 12%        | 16%        | 11%        | 18%       | 15%        | 16%        | 15%          | 13%        | 15%        | 16%        | 19%        | 14%        | 18%        | 14%        | 13%        | 21%            | 17%                   | 16%                            | 12%         | 15%         |
| Don't know            | 138        | 52         | 86         | 31         | 38         | 22         | 8          | 13         | 9          | 16        | 69         | 30         | 39           | 20         | 32         | 34         | 52         | 52         | 86         | 46         | 60         | 32             | 51                    | 61                             | 26          | 150         |
|                       | 12%        | 9%         | 15%        | 18%        | 20%        | 10%        | 5%         | 8%         | 8%         | 15%       | 19%        | 8%         | 10%          | 7%         | 10%        | 14%        | 19%        | 8%         | 17%        | 12%        | 15%        | 9%             | 17%                   | 9%                             | 15%         | 13%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>838</b> | <b>427</b> | <b>411</b> | <b>112</b> | <b>121</b> | <b>151</b> | <b>155</b> | <b>129</b> | <b>95</b>  | <b>74</b> | <b>233</b> | <b>306</b> | <b>299</b>   | <b>250</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>169</b> | <b>168</b> | <b>501</b> | <b>337</b> | <b>288</b> | <b>300</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>513</b>                     | <b>122</b>  | <b>828</b>  |
|                       | 73%        | 76%        | 69%        | 65%        | 66%        | 70%        | 84%        | 76%        | 81%        | 67%       | 66%        | 76%        | 75%          | 81%        | 76%        | 70%        | 62%        | 78%        | 66%        | 74%        | 73%        | 70%            | 66%                   | 75%                            | 72%         | 72%         |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>179</b> | <b>82</b>  | <b>97</b>  | <b>30</b>  | <b>25</b>  | <b>43</b>  | <b>22</b>  | <b>27</b>  | <b>13</b>  | <b>20</b> | <b>54</b>  | <b>65</b>  | <b>60</b>    | <b>40</b>  | <b>49</b>  | <b>38</b>  | <b>53</b>  | <b>89</b>  | <b>91</b>  | <b>54</b>  | <b>51</b>  | <b>74</b>      | <b>51</b>             | <b>107</b>                     | <b>21</b>   | <b>178</b>  |
|                       | 16%        | 15%        | 16%        | 17%        | 13%        | 20%        | 12%        | 16%        | 11%        | 18%       | 15%        | 16%        | 15%          | 13%        | 15%        | 16%        | 19%        | 14%        | 18%        | 14%        | 13%        | 21%            | 17%                   | 16%                            | 12%         | 15%         |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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Table 146

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**- Political parties have to declare publically where they receive their money and donations from -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Total      | Working status |           |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity  |            | GO Region  |           |           |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           | Unwtd total |             |
|-----------------------|------------|----------------|-----------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
|                       |            | Full time      | Part time | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME        | South East | Eastern   | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland    |
| Unweighted total      | 1156       | 425            | 109       | 622         | 360                   | 234        | 201                  | 445        | 548        | 318                    | 183               | 258                          | 274              | 1007       | 146        | 116        | 102       | 121       | 102        | 109           | 71            | 91                       | 122        | 68         | 97        | 157         | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | 1156       | 520            | 109       | 527         | 372                   | 287        | 253                  | 423        | 522        | 320                    | 213               | 287                          | 219              | 1054       | 100        | 162        | 110       | 147       | 103        | 104           | 87            | 101                      | 134        | 51         | 58        | 102         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b> | <b>306</b>     | <b>78</b> | <b>438</b>  | <b>245</b>            | <b>163</b> | <b>143</b>           | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b> | <b>224</b>             | <b>123</b>        | <b>188</b>                   | <b>201</b>       | <b>703</b> | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b>  | <b>72</b> | <b>86</b> | <b>79</b>  | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>     | <b>71</b>                | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b>  | <b>76</b> | <b>118</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | 838        | 382            | 82        | 375         | 259                   | 207        | 223                  | 286        | 365        | 216                    | 159               | 242                          | 138              | 774        | 63         | 128        | 86        | 96        | 76         | 69            | 51            | 69                       | 100        | 34         | 47        | 84          | 828         |
|                       | 73%        | 73%            | 75%       | 71%         | 70%                   | 72%        | 88%                  | 68%        | 70%        | 68%                    | 74%               | 84%                          | 63%              | 73%        | 63%        | 79%        | 78%       | 65%       | 74%        | 66%           | 58%           | 69%                      | 74%        | 68%        | 81%       | 83%         | 72%         |
| False                 | 179        | 89             | 18        | 73          | 60                    | 45         | 19                   | 74         | 89         | 58                     | 31                | 34                           | 41               | 167        | 12         | 21         | 16        | 14        | 17         | 24            | 29            | 18                       | 21         | 7          | 5         | 7           | 178         |
|                       | 16%        | 17%            | 16%       | 14%         | 16%                   | 16%        | 8%                   | 17%        | 17%        | 18%                    | 15%               | 12%                          | 19%              | 16%        | 12%        | 13%        | 15%       | 9%        | 16%        | 23%           | 34%           | 18%                      | 16%        | 14%        | 9%        | 7%          | 15%         |
| Don't know            | 138        | 49             | 10        | 79          | 53                    | 36         | 10                   | 63         | 68         | 45                     | 23                | 11                           | 40               | 113        | 25         | 12         | 8         | 37        | 11         | 11            | 7             | 13                       | 13         | 9          | 6         | 10          | 150         |
|                       | 12%        | 9%             | 9%        | 15%         | 14%                   | 12%        | 4%                   | 15%        | 13%        | 14%                    | 11%               | 4%                           | 18%              | 11%        | 25%        | 8%         | 7%        | 25%       | 10%        | 11%           | 8%            | 13%                      | 10%        | 18%        | 10%       | 10%         | 13%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>838</b> | <b>382</b>     | <b>82</b> | <b>375</b>  | <b>259</b>            | <b>207</b> | <b>223</b>           | <b>286</b> | <b>365</b> | <b>216</b>             | <b>159</b>        | <b>242</b>                   | <b>138</b>       | <b>774</b> | <b>63</b>  | <b>128</b> | <b>86</b> | <b>96</b> | <b>76</b>  | <b>69</b>     | <b>51</b>     | <b>69</b>                | <b>100</b> | <b>34</b>  | <b>47</b> | <b>84</b>   | <b>828</b>  |
|                       | 73%        | 73%            | 75%       | 71%         | 70%                   | 72%        | 88%                  | 68%        | 70%        | 68%                    | 74%               | 84%                          | 63%              | 73%        | 63%        | 79%        | 78%       | 65%       | 74%        | 66%           | 58%           | 69%                      | 74%        | 68%        | 81%       | 83%         | 72%         |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>179</b> | <b>89</b>      | <b>18</b> | <b>73</b>   | <b>60</b>             | <b>45</b>  | <b>19</b>            | <b>74</b>  | <b>89</b>  | <b>58</b>              | <b>31</b>         | <b>34</b>                    | <b>41</b>        | <b>167</b> | <b>12</b>  | <b>21</b>  | <b>16</b> | <b>14</b> | <b>17</b>  | <b>24</b>     | <b>29</b>     | <b>18</b>                | <b>21</b>  | <b>7</b>   | <b>5</b>  | <b>7</b>    | <b>178</b>  |
|                       | 16%        | 17%            | 16%       | 14%         | 16%                   | 16%        | 8%                   | 17%        | 17%        | 18%                    | 15%               | 12%                          | 19%              | 16%        | 12%        | 13%        | 15%       | 9%        | 16%        | 23%           | 34%           | 18%                      | 16%        | 14%        | 9%        | 7%          | 15%         |

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Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Total      | Urbanity   |            |            | Interest in politics |                | Likelihood to vote |                | Political activism |              | Opinion on present system |                   | Knew local MP |            | Unwtd total |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|
|                       |            | Urban      | Rural      | Mixed      | Interested           | Not interested | Certain to         | Certain not to | Activist           | Non-activist | Works well                | Needs improvement | Yes           | No         |             |
| Unweighted total      | 1156       | 773        | 145        | 238        | 580                  | 569            | 627                | 143            | 160                | 996          | 327                       | 783               | 495           | 661        | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | 1156       | 784        | 136        | 235        | 611                  | 539            | 619                | 140            | 180                | 976          | 322                       | 793               | 511           | 645        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b> | <b>535</b> | <b>97</b>  | <b>170</b> | <b>404</b>           | <b>394</b>     | <b>430</b>         | <b>96</b>      | <b>118</b>         | <b>684</b>   | <b>232</b>                | <b>543</b>        | <b>339</b>    | <b>464</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | 838        | 565        | 106        | 168        | 500                  | 337            | 490                | 81             | 150                | 688          | 238                       | 584               | 403           | 435        | 828         |
|                       | 73%        | 72%        | 78%        | 71%        | 82%                  | 62%            | 79%                | 58%            | 84%                | 71%          | 74%                       | 74%               | 79%           | 67%        | 72%         |
| False                 | 179        | 116        | 25         | 38         | 83                   | 96             | 80                 | 24             | 26                 | 154          | 51                        | 125               | 70            | 110        | 178         |
|                       | 16%        | 15%        | 19%        | 16%        | 14%                  | 18%            | 13%                | 17%            | 14%                | 16%          | 16%                       | 16%               | 14%           | 17%        | 15%         |
| Don't know            | 138        | 103        | 5          | 30         | 28                   | 106            | 48                 | 35             | 4                  | 134          | 33                        | 84                | 38            | 100        | 150         |
|                       | 12%        | 13%        | 4%         | 13%        | 5%                   | 20%            | 8%                 | 25%            | 2%                 | 14%          | 10%                       | 11%               | 7%            | 15%        | 13%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>838</b> | <b>565</b> | <b>106</b> | <b>168</b> | <b>500</b>           | <b>337</b>     | <b>490</b>         | <b>81</b>      | <b>150</b>         | <b>688</b>   | <b>238</b>                | <b>584</b>        | <b>403</b>    | <b>435</b> | <b>828</b>  |
|                       | 73%        | 72%        | 78%        | 71%        | 82%                  | 62%            | 79%                | 58%            | 84%                | 71%          | 74%                       | 74%               | 79%           | 67%        | 72%         |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>179</b> | <b>116</b> | <b>25</b>  | <b>38</b>  | <b>83</b>            | <b>96</b>      | <b>80</b>          | <b>24</b>      | <b>26</b>          | <b>154</b>   | <b>51</b>                 | <b>125</b>        | <b>70</b>     | <b>110</b> | <b>178</b>  |
|                       | 16%        | 15%        | 19%        | 16%        | 14%                  | 18%            | 13%                | 17%            | 14%                | 16%          | 16%                       | 16%               | 14%           | 17%        | 15%         |

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Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Quiz score  |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |            | Satisfaction with MPs in general |            | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |              | Unwtd total |                     |
|-----------------------|-------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|--|------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
|                       | Total       | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                           | Agree      | Disagree        | Use internet |             | Do not use internet |
| Unweighted total      | <b>1156</b> | 210        | 463        | 483                        | 459        | 183                              | 349        | 502                                    | 438        | 450             | 762          | 394         | 1156                |
| Weighted total        | <b>1156</b> | 187        | 470        | 499                        | 444        | 190                              | 336        | 515                                    | 427        | 474             | 826          | 330         | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>  | <b>150</b> | <b>310</b> | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b> | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b> | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b> | <b>302</b>      | <b>540</b>   | <b>269</b>  | <b>1156</b>         |
| True                  | <b>838</b>  | 57         | 333        | 449                        | 360        | 125                              | 270        | 380                                    | 321        | 338             | 629          | 209         | 828                 |
|                       | <b>73%</b>  | 31%        | 71%        | 90%                        | 81%        | 66%                              | 80%        | 74%                                    | 75%        | 71%             | 76%          | 63%         | 72%                 |
| False                 | <b>179</b>  | 42         | 94         | 44                         | 53         | 45                               | 40         | 84                                     | 66         | 85              | 112          | 68          | 178                 |
|                       | <b>16%</b>  | 23%        | 20%        | 9%                         | 12%        | 24%                              | 12%        | 16%                                    | 15%        | 18%             | 14%          | 20%         | 15%                 |
| Don't know            | <b>138</b>  | 88         | 43         | 7                          | 31         | 20                               | 25         | 51                                     | 40         | 51              | 85           | 53          | 150                 |
|                       | <b>12%</b>  | 47%        | 9%         | 1%                         | 7%         | 10%                              | 8%         | 10%                                    | 9%         | 11%             | 10%          | 16%         | 13%                 |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>838</b>  | <b>57</b>  | <b>333</b> | <b>449</b>                 | <b>360</b> | <b>125</b>                       | <b>270</b> | <b>380</b>                             | <b>321</b> | <b>338</b>      | <b>629</b>   | <b>209</b>  | <b>828</b>          |
|                       | <b>73%</b>  | <b>31%</b> | <b>71%</b> | <b>90%</b>                 | <b>81%</b> | <b>66%</b>                       | <b>80%</b> | <b>74%</b>                             | <b>75%</b> | <b>71%</b>      | <b>76%</b>   | <b>63%</b>  | <b>72%</b>          |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>179</b>  | <b>42</b>  | <b>94</b>  | <b>44</b>                  | <b>53</b>  | <b>45</b>                        | <b>40</b>  | <b>84</b>                              | <b>66</b>  | <b>85</b>       | <b>112</b>   | <b>68</b>   | <b>178</b>          |
|                       | <b>16%</b>  | <b>23%</b> | <b>20%</b> | <b>9%</b>                  | <b>12%</b> | <b>24%</b>                       | <b>12%</b> | <b>16%</b>                             | <b>15%</b> | <b>18%</b>      | <b>14%</b>   | <b>20%</b>  | <b>15%</b>          |

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Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |             |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                       | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |             |
| Unweighted total      | <b>1156</b>           | 163                      | 351                     | 386         | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146             | 228                   | 62              | 93                     | 287               | 102         | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | <b>1156</b>           | 175                      | 373                     | 396         | 387                   | 116                | 157                   | 159             | 191                   | 66              | 92                     | 277               | 99          | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>            | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>              | <b>263</b>  | <b>290</b>            | <b>72</b>          | <b>101</b>            | <b>92</b>       | <b>160</b>            | <b>49</b>       | <b>66</b>              | <b>209</b>        | <b>63</b>   | <b>1156</b> |
| True                  | <b>838</b>            | 124                      | 275                     | 280         | 284                   | 101                | 131                   | 119             | 135                   | 59              | 70                     | 188               | 35          | 828         |
|                       | <b>73%</b>            | 71%                      | 74%                     | 71%         | 73%                   | 88%                | 84%                   | 75%             | 71%                   | 89%             | 76%                    | 68%               | 36%         | 72%         |
| False                 | <b>179</b>            | 36                       | 70                      | 60          | 49                    | 8                  | 23                    | 36              | 23                    | 4               | 16                     | 49                | 21          | 178         |
|                       | <b>16%</b>            | 20%                      | 19%                     | 15%         | 13%                   | 7%                 | 14%                   | 22%             | 12%                   | 5%              | 17%                    | 18%               | 21%         | 15%         |
| Don't know            | <b>138</b>            | 16                       | 28                      | 57          | 54                    | 6                  | 3                     | 5               | 33                    | 3               | 7                      | 40                | 42          | 150         |
|                       | <b>12%</b>            | 9%                       | 7%                      | 14%         | 14%                   | 5%                 | 2%                    | 3%              | 17%                   | 5%              | 7%                     | 14%               | 43%         | 13%         |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>838</b>            | <b>124</b>               | <b>275</b>              | <b>280</b>  | <b>284</b>            | <b>101</b>         | <b>131</b>            | <b>119</b>      | <b>135</b>            | <b>59</b>       | <b>70</b>              | <b>188</b>        | <b>35</b>   | <b>828</b>  |
|                       | <b>73%</b>            | <b>71%</b>               | <b>74%</b>              | <b>71%</b>  | <b>73%</b>            | <b>88%</b>         | <b>84%</b>            | <b>75%</b>      | <b>71%</b>            | <b>89%</b>      | <b>76%</b>             | <b>68%</b>        | <b>36%</b>  | <b>72%</b>  |
| <b>Wrong</b>          | <b>179</b>            | <b>36</b>                | <b>70</b>               | <b>60</b>   | <b>49</b>             | <b>8</b>           | <b>23</b>             | <b>36</b>       | <b>23</b>             | <b>4</b>        | <b>16</b>              | <b>49</b>         | <b>21</b>   | <b>178</b>  |
|                       | <b>16%</b>            | <b>20%</b>               | <b>19%</b>              | <b>15%</b>  | <b>13%</b>            | <b>7%</b>          | <b>14%</b>            | <b>22%</b>      | <b>12%</b>            | <b>5%</b>       | <b>17%</b>             | <b>18%</b>        | <b>21%</b>  | <b>15%</b>  |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
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Table 150

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- Summary -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Cabinet ministers stop being MPs when they become a minister | British members of the European Parliament are directly elected by British voters every five years | You are automatically registered to vote if you pay council tax | Members of the House of Lords are elected by the British public | MPs can raise problems their constituents are having in the House of Commons | The minimum age for voting at a general election is 16 | Most of the money that local councils spend is raised locally, through council tax | Government and Parliament are the same thing | Political parties have to declare publicly where they receive their money and donations from |
|-----------------------|--|--|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| Unweighted total      | 1156   | 1156   | 1156  | 1156  | 1156   | 1156   | 1156   | 1156   | 1156   |
| Weighted total        | 1156   | 1156   | 1156  | 1156  | 1156   | 1156   | 1156   | 1156   | 1156   |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>   | <b>801</b>   | <b>801</b>  | <b>801</b>  | <b>801</b>   | <b>801</b>   | <b>801</b>   | <b>801</b>                                   | <b>801</b>   |
| True                  | 134<br>12%   | 650<br>56%   | 293<br>25%  | 134<br>12%  | 929<br>80%   | 154<br>13%   | 552<br>48%   | 322<br>28%                                   | 838<br>73%   |
| False                 | 689<br>60%   | 220<br>19%   | 715<br>62%  | 859<br>74%  | 98<br>8%   | 959<br>83%   | 415<br>36%   | 725<br>63%                                   | 179<br>16%   |
| Don't know            | 333<br>29%   | 286<br>25%   | 147<br>13%  | 163<br>14%  | 129<br>11%   | 43<br>4%   | 188<br>16%   | 109<br>9%                                    | 138<br>12%   |
| <b>Correct</b>        | <b>689</b><br><b>60%</b>                                     | <b>650</b><br><b>56%</b>   | <b>715</b><br><b>62%</b>  | <b>859</b><br><b>74%</b>  | <b>929</b><br><b>80%</b>   | <b>959</b><br><b>83%</b>                               | <b>415</b><br><b>36%</b>   | <b>725</b><br><b>63%</b>                     | <b>838</b><br><b>73%</b>   |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
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Table 151

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- Correct -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Gender      |             | Age         |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             | Social class |             |             |             |             |             | Region      |             |             | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|  | Male        | Female      | 18-24       | 25-34       | 35-44       | 45-54       | 55-64       | 65-74       | 75+         | 18-34       | 35-54       | 55+         | AB           | C1          | C2          | DE          | ABC1        | C2DE        | North       | South       | Mid lands   | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| Unweighted total                         | 1156        | 552         | 604         | 138         | 207         | 206         | 141         | 170         | 159         | 135         | 345         | 347         | 464          | 224         | 353         | 257         | 322         | 577         | 579         | 438         | 339         | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                           | 1156        | 561         | 595         | 173         | 183         | 216         | 186         | 169         | 117         | 111         | 356         | 402         | 398          | 310         | 333         | 241         | 272         | 642         | 514         | 387         | 411         | 358            | 306                   | 681                            | 169         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                    | <b>801</b>  | <b>391</b>  | <b>410</b>  | <b>98</b>   | <b>145</b>  | <b>149</b>  | <b>105</b>  | <b>117</b>  | <b>135</b>  | <b>87</b>   | <b>236</b>  | <b>252</b>  | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b>  | <b>256</b>  | <b>191</b>  | <b>222</b>  | <b>401</b>  | <b>413</b>  | <b>312</b>  | <b>250</b>  | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| <b>3 or fewer correct</b>                | <b>187</b>  | <b>75</b>   | <b>113</b>  | <b>41</b>   | <b>44</b>   | <b>44</b>   | <b>20</b>   | <b>12</b>   | <b>9</b>    | <b>18</b>   | <b>85</b>   | <b>63</b>   | <b>39</b>    | <b>14</b>   | <b>49</b>   | <b>38</b>   | <b>86</b>   | <b>63</b>   | <b>124</b>  | <b>75</b>   | <b>54</b>   | <b>58</b>      | <b>75</b>             | <b>83</b>                      | <b>29</b>   | <b>210</b>  |
|  | 16%         | 13%         | 19%         | 24%         | 24%         | 20%         | 11%         | 7%          | 7%          | 16%         | 24%         | 16%         | 10%          | 4%          | 15%         | 16%         | 32%         | 10%         | 24%         | 19%         | 13%         | 16%            | 25%                   | 12%                            | 17%         | 18%         |
| <b>4 correct</b>                         | <b>109</b>  | <b>50</b>   | <b>59</b>   | <b>24</b>   | <b>19</b>   | <b>17</b>   | <b>11</b>   | <b>16</b>   | <b>11</b>   | <b>43</b>   | <b>28</b>   | <b>38</b>   | <b>13</b>    | <b>30</b>   | <b>32</b>   | <b>34</b>   | <b>43</b>   | <b>67</b>   | <b>42</b>   | <b>31</b>   | <b>36</b>   | <b>39</b>      | <b>55</b>             | <b>16</b>                      | <b>122</b>  |             |
|  | 9%          | 9%          | 10%         | 14%         | 10%         | 8%          | 6%          | 9%          | 9%          | 10%         | 12%         | 7%          | 9%           | 4%          | 9%          | 13%         | 13%         | 7%          | 13%         | 11%         | 8%          | 10%            | 13%                   | 8%                             | 10%         | 11%         |
| <b>5 correct</b>                         | <b>152</b>  | <b>71</b>   | <b>81</b>   | <b>40</b>   | <b>25</b>   | <b>15</b>   | <b>16</b>   | <b>21</b>   | <b>18</b>   | <b>16</b>   | <b>64</b>   | <b>32</b>   | <b>56</b>    | <b>42</b>   | <b>38</b>   | <b>39</b>   | <b>33</b>   | <b>79</b>   | <b>73</b>   | <b>48</b>   | <b>47</b>   | <b>57</b>      | <b>46</b>             | <b>79</b>                      | <b>28</b>   | <b>143</b>  |
|  | 13%         | 13%         | 14%         | 23%         | 13%         | 7%          | 9%          | 12%         | 16%         | 15%         | 18%         | 8%          | 14%          | 13%         | 11%         | 16%         | 12%         | 12%         | 14%         | 12%         | 11%         | 16%            | 15%                   | 12%                            | 16%         | 12%         |
| <b>6 correct</b>                         | <b>208</b>  | <b>99</b>   | <b>110</b>  | <b>32</b>   | <b>39</b>   | <b>44</b>   | <b>25</b>   | <b>32</b>   | <b>17</b>   | <b>19</b>   | <b>71</b>   | <b>69</b>   | <b>68</b>    | <b>40</b>   | <b>56</b>   | <b>51</b>   | <b>62</b>   | <b>96</b>   | <b>112</b>  | <b>67</b>   | <b>72</b>   | <b>69</b>      | <b>62</b>             | <b>116</b>                     | <b>30</b>   | <b>198</b>  |
|  | 18%         | 18%         | 18%         | 19%         | 21%         | 20%         | 13%         | 19%         | 15%         | 17%         | 20%         | 17%         | 17%          | 13%         | 17%         | 21%         | 23%         | 15%         | 22%         | 17%         | 18%         | 19%            | 20%                   | 17%                            | 18%         | 17%         |
| <b>7 correct</b>                         | <b>190</b>  | <b>108</b>  | <b>83</b>   | <b>21</b>   | <b>29</b>   | <b>39</b>   | <b>34</b>   | <b>26</b>   | <b>27</b>   | <b>15</b>   | <b>49</b>   | <b>73</b>   | <b>68</b>    | <b>62</b>   | <b>58</b>   | <b>41</b>   | <b>29</b>   | <b>120</b>  | <b>70</b>   | <b>62</b>   | <b>78</b>   | <b>50</b>      | <b>42</b>             | <b>126</b>                     | <b>22</b>   | <b>186</b>  |
|  | 16%         | 19%         | 14%         | 12%         | 16%         | 18%         | 18%         | 15%         | 23%         | 13%         | 14%         | 18%         | 17%          | 20%         | 17%         | 17%         | 11%         | 19%         | 14%         | 16%         | 19%         | 14%            | 14%                   | 19%                            | 13%         | 16%         |
| <b>8 correct</b>                         | <b>176</b>  | <b>82</b>   | <b>94</b>   | <b>9</b>    | <b>17</b>   | <b>40</b>   | <b>40</b>   | <b>28</b>   | <b>23</b>   | <b>20</b>   | <b>26</b>   | <b>80</b>   | <b>71</b>    | <b>73</b>   | <b>64</b>   | <b>20</b>   | <b>19</b>   | <b>137</b>  | <b>39</b>   | <b>52</b>   | <b>79</b>   | <b>46</b>      | <b>26</b>             | <b>122</b>                     | <b>28</b>   | <b>177</b>  |
|  | 15%         | 15%         | 16%         | 5%          | 9%          | 19%         | 21%         | 17%         | 20%         | 18%         | 7%          | 20%         | 18%          | 23%         | 19%         | 8%          | 7%          | 21%         | 8%          | 13%         | 19%         | 13%            | 8%                    | 18%                            | 17%         | 15%         |
| <b>9 correct</b>                         | <b>133</b>  | <b>78</b>   | <b>55</b>   | <b>6</b>    | <b>11</b>   | <b>17</b>   | <b>40</b>   | <b>35</b>   | <b>12</b>   | <b>11</b>   | <b>18</b>   | <b>57</b>   | <b>58</b>    | <b>67</b>   | <b>37</b>   | <b>19</b>   | <b>10</b>   | <b>104</b>  | <b>29</b>   | <b>41</b>   | <b>50</b>   | <b>41</b>      | <b>16</b>             | <b>101</b>                     | <b>16</b>   | <b>120</b>  |
|  | 11%         | 14%         | 9%          | 4%          | 6%          | 8%          | 22%         | 20%         | 10%         | 10%         | 5%          | 14%         | 15%          | 22%         | 11%         | 8%          | 3%          | 16%         | 6%          | 11%         | 12%         | 12%            | 5%                    | 15%                            | 9%          | 10%         |
| <b>4-6 correct</b>                       | <b>470</b>  | <b>220</b>  | <b>250</b>  | <b>96</b>   | <b>83</b>   | <b>76</b>   | <b>52</b>   | <b>69</b>   | <b>46</b>   | <b>47</b>   | <b>179</b>  | <b>128</b>  | <b>162</b>   | <b>94</b>   | <b>124</b>  | <b>123</b>  | <b>129</b>  | <b>218</b>  | <b>252</b>  | <b>157</b>  | <b>150</b>  | <b>162</b>     | <b>147</b>            | <b>249</b>                     | <b>73</b>   | <b>463</b>  |
|  | 41%         | 39%         | 42%         | 56%         | 45%         | 35%         | 28%         | 41%         | 39%         | 42%         | 50%         | 32%         | 41%          | 30%         | 37%         | 51%         | 47%         | 34%         | 49%         | 41%         | 37%         | 45%            | 48%                   | 37%                            | 43%         | 40%         |
| <b>6 or more correct</b>                 | <b>708</b>  | <b>366</b>  | <b>342</b>  | <b>68</b>   | <b>96</b>   | <b>140</b>  | <b>139</b>  | <b>121</b>  | <b>80</b>   | <b>65</b>   | <b>164</b>  | <b>278</b>  | <b>265</b>   | <b>242</b>  | <b>216</b>  | <b>131</b>  | <b>119</b>  | <b>457</b>  | <b>250</b>  | <b>222</b>  | <b>279</b>  | <b>206</b>     | <b>146</b>            | <b>465</b>                     | <b>96</b>   | <b>681</b>  |
|  | 61%         | 65%         | 57%         | 39%         | 52%         | 65%         | 75%         | 71%         | 68%         | 59%         | 46%         | 69%         | 67%          | 78%         | 65%         | 54%         | 44%         | 71%         | 49%         | 57%         | 68%         | 58%            | 48%                   | 68%                            | 57%         | 59%         |
| <b>7 or more correct</b>                 | <b>499</b>  | <b>267</b>  | <b>232</b>  | <b>36</b>   | <b>57</b>   | <b>96</b>   | <b>114</b>  | <b>89</b>   | <b>62</b>   | <b>46</b>   | <b>93</b>   | <b>210</b>  | <b>197</b>   | <b>202</b>  | <b>159</b>  | <b>81</b>   | <b>57</b>   | <b>361</b>  | <b>138</b>  | <b>155</b>  | <b>207</b>  | <b>137</b>     | <b>84</b>             | <b>349</b>                     | <b>67</b>   | <b>483</b>  |
|  | 43%         | 48%         | 39%         | 21%         | 31%         | 44%         | 61%         | 52%         | 53%         | 41%         | 26%         | 52%         | 49%          | 65%         | 48%         | 33%         | 21%         | 56%         | 27%         | 40%         | 50%         | 38%            | 27%                   | 51%                            | 39%         | 42%         |
| <b>Average number of correct answers</b> | <b>5.99</b> | <b>6.17</b> | <b>5.82</b> | <b>5.05</b> | <b>5.45</b> | <b>5.90</b> | <b>6.68</b> | <b>6.59</b> | <b>6.34</b> | <b>6.01</b> | <b>5.25</b> | <b>6.26</b> | <b>6.36</b>  | <b>6.93</b> | <b>6.15</b> | <b>5.67</b> | <b>4.96</b> | <b>6.53</b> | <b>5.30</b> | <b>5.82</b> | <b>6.29</b> | <b>5.83</b>    | <b>5.25</b>           | <b>6.37</b>                    | <b>5.79</b> | <b>5.88</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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Table 152

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- Correct -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Working status |             |             | Children in household |             | Newspaper readership |             |             | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity   |             | GO Region   |             |             |             |               |               |                          |             |             |             | Unwtd total |             |             |
|--|----------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|  | Full time      | Part time   | Not working | Yes                   | No          | Quality              | Popular     | None        | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White       | BME         | South East  | Eastern     | London      | South West  | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West  | North East  | Wales       |             | Scotland    |             |
| Unweighted total                         | 1156           | 425         | 109         | 622                   | 360         | 234                  | 201         | 445         | 548                    | 318               | 183                          | 258              | 274         | 1007        | 146         | 116         | 102         | 121         | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91          | 122         | 68          | 97          | 157         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                           | 1156           | 520         | 109         | 527                   | 372         | 287                  | 253         | 423         | 522                    | 320               | 213                          | 287              | 219         | 1054        | 100         | 162         | 110         | 147         | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101         | 134         | 51          | 58          | 102         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                    | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b>  | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b>  | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b>  | <b>313</b>  | <b>382</b>             | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b>  | <b>703</b>  | <b>115</b>  | <b>90</b>   | <b>72</b>   | <b>86</b>   | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>   | <b>90</b>   | <b>51</b>   | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| <b>3 or fewer correct</b>                | <b>187</b>     | <b>70</b>   | <b>18</b>   | <b>100</b>            | <b>78</b>   | <b>56</b>            | <b>12</b>   | <b>87</b>   | <b>92</b>              | <b>67</b>         | <b>24</b>                    | <b>17</b>        | <b>67</b>   | <b>149</b>  | <b>38</b>   | <b>11</b>   | <b>14</b>   | <b>35</b>   | <b>9</b>      | <b>24</b>     | <b>14</b>                | <b>20</b>   | <b>34</b>   | <b>8</b>    | <b>7</b>    | <b>13</b>   | <b>210</b>  |
|  | 16%            | 13%         | 16%         | 19%                   | 21%         | 20%                  | 5%          | 21%         | 18%                    | 21%               | 11%                          | 6%               | 31%         | 14%         | 38%         | 7%          | 13%         | 24%         | 8%            | 23%           | 16%                      | 20%         | 25%         | 16%         | 11%         | 13%         | 18%         |
| <b>4 correct</b>                         | <b>109</b>     | <b>39</b>   | <b>10</b>   | <b>61</b>             | <b>29</b>   | <b>31</b>            | <b>5</b>    | <b>42</b>   | <b>62</b>              | <b>34</b>         | <b>17</b>                    | <b>11</b>        | <b>36</b>   | <b>95</b>   | <b>13</b>   | <b>11</b>   | <b>9</b>    | <b>13</b>   | <b>8</b>      | <b>13</b>     | <b>4</b>                 | <b>10</b>   | <b>19</b>   | <b>4</b>    | <b>11</b>   | <b>9</b>    | <b>122</b>  |
|  | 9%             | 7%          | 9%          | 12%                   | 8%          | 11%                  | 2%          | 10%         | 12%                    | 11%               | 8%                           | 4%               | 16%         | 9%          | 13%         | 7%          | 8%          | 9%          | 7%            | 13%           | 4%                       | 10%         | 14%         | 9%          | 18%         | 8%          | 11%         |
| <b>5 correct</b>                         | <b>152</b>     | <b>63</b>   | <b>8</b>    | <b>80</b>             | <b>48</b>   | <b>41</b>            | <b>32</b>   | <b>66</b>   | <b>59</b>              | <b>43</b>         | <b>41</b>                    | <b>22</b>        | <b>34</b>   | <b>131</b>  | <b>20</b>   | <b>14</b>   | <b>19</b>   | <b>21</b>   | <b>12</b>     | <b>15</b>     | <b>18</b>                | <b>7</b>    | <b>20</b>   | <b>9</b>    | <b>5</b>    | <b>12</b>   | <b>143</b>  |
|  | 13%            | 12%         | 7%          | 15%                   | 13%         | 14%                  | 13%         | 16%         | 11%                    | 13%               | 19%                          | 8%               | 16%         | 12%         | 20%         | 9%          | 18%         | 14%         | 12%           | 15%           | 21%                      | 7%          | 15%         | 17%         | 8%          | 12%         | 12%         |
| <b>6 correct</b>                         | <b>208</b>     | <b>102</b>  | <b>22</b>   | <b>85</b>             | <b>67</b>   | <b>60</b>            | <b>37</b>   | <b>92</b>   | <b>88</b>              | <b>66</b>         | <b>40</b>                    | <b>42</b>        | <b>37</b>   | <b>193</b>  | <b>15</b>   | <b>21</b>   | <b>18</b>   | <b>29</b>   | <b>23</b>     | <b>19</b>     | <b>22</b>                | <b>14</b>   | <b>28</b>   | <b>8</b>    | <b>10</b>   | <b>17</b>   | <b>198</b>  |
|  | 18%            | 20%         | 20%         | 16%                   | 18%         | 21%                  | 15%         | 22%         | 17%                    | 21%               | 19%                          | 15%              | 17%         | 18%         | 15%         | 13%         | 16%         | 20%         | 22%           | 19%           | 25%                      | 13%         | 21%         | 17%         | 18%         | 17%         | 17%         |
| <b>7 correct</b>                         | <b>190</b>     | <b>98</b>   | <b>17</b>   | <b>75</b>             | <b>64</b>   | <b>38</b>            | <b>42</b>   | <b>62</b>   | <b>95</b>              | <b>52</b>         | <b>30</b>                    | <b>61</b>        | <b>21</b>   | <b>182</b>  | <b>8</b>    | <b>35</b>   | <b>17</b>   | <b>16</b>   | <b>27</b>     | <b>9</b>      | <b>19</b>                | <b>11</b>   | <b>19</b>   | <b>8</b>    | <b>5</b>    | <b>24</b>   | <b>186</b>  |
|  | 16%            | 19%         | 16%         | 14%                   | 17%         | 13%                  | 17%         | 15%         | 18%                    | 16%               | 14%                          | 21%              | 10%         | 17%         | 8%          | 22%         | 15%         | 11%         | 26%           | 9%            | 22%                      | 11%         | 14%         | 16%         | 9%          | 23%         | 16%         |
| <b>8 correct</b>                         | <b>176</b>     | <b>87</b>   | <b>22</b>   | <b>66</b>             | <b>52</b>   | <b>33</b>            | <b>69</b>   | <b>48</b>   | <b>67</b>              | <b>38</b>         | <b>32</b>                    | <b>70</b>        | <b>16</b>   | <b>173</b>  | <b>3</b>    | <b>42</b>   | <b>16</b>   | <b>20</b>   | <b>17</b>     | <b>12</b>     | <b>8</b>                 | <b>17</b>   | <b>11</b>   | <b>8</b>    | <b>10</b>   | <b>16</b>   | <b>177</b>  |
|  | 15%            | 17%         | 20%         | 13%                   | 14%         | 12%                  | 27%         | 11%         | 13%                    | 12%               | 15%                          | 24%              | 7%          | 16%         | 3%          | 26%         | 14%         | 14%         | 16%           | 11%           | 9%                       | 17%         | 8%          | 15%         | 18%         | 15%         | 15%         |
| <b>9 correct</b>                         | <b>133</b>     | <b>60</b>   | <b>12</b>   | <b>60</b>             | <b>33</b>   | <b>27</b>            | <b>56</b>   | <b>26</b>   | <b>59</b>              | <b>19</b>         | <b>29</b>                    | <b>65</b>        | <b>8</b>    | <b>131</b>  | <b>2</b>    | <b>28</b>   | <b>18</b>   | <b>13</b>   | <b>9</b>      | <b>12</b>     | <b>2</b>                 | <b>21</b>   | <b>3</b>    | <b>5</b>    | <b>10</b>   | <b>12</b>   | <b>120</b>  |
|  | 11%            | 12%         | 11%         | 11%                   | 9%          | 9%                   | 22%         | 6%          | 11%                    | 6%                | 13%                          | 23%              | 4%          | 12%         | 2%          | 18%         | 16%         | 9%          | 8%            | 11%           | 2%                       | 21%         | 2%          | 10%         | 17%         | 12%         | 10%         |
| <b>4-6 correct</b>                       | <b>470</b>     | <b>204</b>  | <b>39</b>   | <b>226</b>            | <b>144</b>  | <b>132</b>           | <b>74</b>   | <b>199</b>  | <b>209</b>             | <b>143</b>        | <b>98</b>                    | <b>74</b>        | <b>107</b>  | <b>420</b>  | <b>49</b>   | <b>46</b>   | <b>46</b>   | <b>62</b>   | <b>42</b>     | <b>47</b>     | <b>43</b>                | <b>30</b>   | <b>67</b>   | <b>22</b>   | <b>26</b>   | <b>37</b>   | <b>463</b>  |
|  | 41%            | 39%         | 36%         | 43%                   | 39%         | 46%                  | 29%         | 47%         | 40%                    | 45%               | 46%                          | 26%              | 49%         | 40%         | 49%         | 28%         | 42%         | 43%         | 41%           | 46%           | 50%                      | 30%         | 50%         | 43%         | 44%         | 37%         | 40%         |
| <b>6 or more correct</b>                 | <b>708</b>     | <b>347</b>  | <b>74</b>   | <b>287</b>            | <b>216</b>  | <b>159</b>           | <b>204</b>  | <b>228</b>  | <b>308</b>             | <b>176</b>        | <b>131</b>                   | <b>237</b>       | <b>82</b>   | <b>678</b>  | <b>28</b>   | <b>126</b>  | <b>68</b>   | <b>78</b>   | <b>75</b>     | <b>52</b>     | <b>51</b>                | <b>63</b>   | <b>61</b>   | <b>30</b>   | <b>36</b>   | <b>68</b>   | <b>681</b>  |
|  | 61%            | 67%         | 67%         | 54%                   | 58%         | 55%                  | 81%         | 54%         | 59%                    | 55%               | 61%                          | 83%              | 37%         | 64%         | 28%         | 78%         | 62%         | 53%         | 73%           | 50%           | 59%                      | 63%         | 46%         | 58%         | 62%         | 67%         | 59%         |
| <b>7 or more correct</b>                 | <b>499</b>     | <b>245</b>  | <b>52</b>   | <b>202</b>            | <b>149</b>  | <b>98</b>            | <b>167</b>  | <b>137</b>  | <b>221</b>             | <b>110</b>        | <b>91</b>                    | <b>196</b>       | <b>46</b>   | <b>485</b>  | <b>13</b>   | <b>105</b>  | <b>50</b>   | <b>49</b>   | <b>52</b>     | <b>32</b>     | <b>29</b>                | <b>50</b>   | <b>33</b>   | <b>21</b>   | <b>25</b>   | <b>51</b>   | <b>483</b>  |
|  | 43%            | 47%         | 48%         | 38%                   | 40%         | 34%                  | 66%         | 32%         | 42%                    | 34%               | 43%                          | 68%              | 21%         | 46%         | 13%         | 65%         | 46%         | 34%         | 51%           | 31%           | 34%                      | 49%         | 25%         | 42%         | 44%         | 51%         | 42%         |
| <b>Average number of correct answers</b> | <b>5.99</b>    | <b>6.15</b> | <b>6.15</b> | <b>5.80</b>           | <b>5.79</b> | <b>5.63</b>          | <b>7.06</b> | <b>5.55</b> | <b>5.89</b>            | <b>5.59</b>       | <b>6.10</b>                  | <b>7.05</b>      | <b>4.92</b> | <b>6.13</b> | <b>4.43</b> | <b>6.79</b> | <b>6.15</b> | <b>5.70</b> | <b>6.30</b>   | <b>5.44</b>   | <b>5.69</b>              | <b>6.22</b> | <b>5.19</b> | <b>5.92</b> | <b>6.14</b> | <b>6.20</b> | <b>5.88</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
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Table 153

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- Correct -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Total             | Urbanity          |                  |                   | Interest in politics |                   | Likelihood to vote |                  | Political activism |                   | Opinion on present system |                   | Knew local MP     |                   | Unwtd total       |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|  |                   | Urban             | Rural            | Mixed             | Interested           | Not interested    | Certain to         | Certain not to   | Activist           | Non-activist      | Works well                | Needs improvement | Yes               | No                |                   |
| Unweighted total                         | 1156              | 773               | 145              | 238               | 580                  | 569               | 627                | 143              | 160                | 996               | 327                       | 783               | 495               | 661               | 1156              |
| Weighted total                           | 1156              | 784               | 136              | 235               | 611                  | 539               | 619                | 140              | 180                | 976               | 322                       | 793               | 511               | 645               | 1156              |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                    | <b>801</b>        | <b>535</b>        | <b>97</b>        | <b>170</b>        | <b>404</b>           | <b>394</b>        | <b>430</b>         | <b>96</b>        | <b>118</b>         | <b>684</b>        | <b>232</b>                | <b>543</b>        | <b>339</b>        | <b>464</b>        | <b>1156</b>       |
| <b>3 or fewer correct</b>                | <b>187</b><br>16% | <b>145</b><br>19% | <b>12</b><br>9%  | <b>30</b><br>13%  | <b>40</b><br>7%      | <b>143</b><br>27% | <b>50</b><br>8%    | <b>41</b><br>29% | <b>3</b><br>1%     | <b>185</b><br>19% | <b>57</b><br>18%          | <b>106</b><br>13% | <b>53</b><br>10%  | <b>135</b><br>21% | <b>210</b><br>18% |
| <b>4 correct</b>                         | <b>109</b><br>9%  | <b>59</b><br>8%   | <b>20</b><br>14% | <b>31</b><br>13%  | <b>33</b><br>5%      | <b>75</b><br>14%  | <b>39</b><br>6%    | <b>19</b><br>14% | <b>2</b><br>1%     | <b>107</b><br>11% | <b>31</b><br>10%          | <b>74</b><br>9%   | <b>42</b><br>8%   | <b>67</b><br>10%  | <b>122</b><br>11% |
| <b>5 correct</b>                         | <b>152</b><br>13% | <b>106</b><br>13% | <b>17</b><br>12% | <b>29</b><br>12%  | <b>67</b><br>11%     | <b>85</b><br>16%  | <b>69</b><br>11%   | <b>27</b><br>19% | <b>6</b><br>3%     | <b>146</b><br>15% | <b>44</b><br>14%          | <b>107</b><br>13% | <b>50</b><br>10%  | <b>102</b><br>16% | <b>143</b><br>12% |
| <b>6 correct</b>                         | <b>208</b><br>18% | <b>141</b><br>18% | <b>16</b><br>12% | <b>51</b><br>22%  | <b>114</b><br>19%    | <b>94</b><br>17%  | <b>123</b><br>20%  | <b>22</b><br>15% | <b>25</b><br>14%   | <b>184</b><br>19% | <b>51</b><br>16%          | <b>150</b><br>19% | <b>93</b><br>18%  | <b>116</b><br>18% | <b>198</b><br>17% |
| <b>7 correct</b>                         | <b>190</b><br>16% | <b>125</b><br>16% | <b>37</b><br>27% | <b>29</b><br>12%  | <b>121</b><br>20%    | <b>68</b><br>13%  | <b>106</b><br>17%  | <b>17</b><br>12% | <b>47</b><br>26%   | <b>143</b><br>15% | <b>51</b><br>16%          | <b>138</b><br>17% | <b>96</b><br>19%  | <b>95</b><br>15%  | <b>186</b><br>16% |
| <b>8 correct</b>                         | <b>176</b><br>15% | <b>118</b><br>15% | <b>16</b><br>12% | <b>43</b><br>18%  | <b>131</b><br>21%    | <b>45</b><br>8%   | <b>127</b><br>21%  | <b>10</b><br>7%  | <b>54</b><br>30%   | <b>123</b><br>13% | <b>46</b><br>14%          | <b>130</b><br>16% | <b>98</b><br>19%  | <b>78</b><br>12%  | <b>177</b><br>15% |
| <b>9 correct</b>                         | <b>133</b><br>11% | <b>92</b><br>12%  | <b>19</b><br>14% | <b>22</b><br>10%  | <b>105</b><br>17%    | <b>28</b><br>5%   | <b>104</b><br>17%  | <b>5</b><br>4%   | <b>44</b><br>24%   | <b>89</b><br>9%   | <b>42</b><br>13%          | <b>90</b><br>11%  | <b>80</b><br>16%  | <b>53</b><br>8%   | <b>120</b><br>10% |
| <b>4-6 correct</b>                       | <b>470</b><br>41% | <b>305</b><br>39% | <b>53</b><br>39% | <b>111</b><br>47% | <b>214</b><br>35%    | <b>254</b><br>47% | <b>231</b><br>37%  | <b>67</b><br>48% | <b>33</b><br>18%   | <b>437</b><br>45% | <b>125</b><br>39%         | <b>330</b><br>42% | <b>185</b><br>36% | <b>284</b><br>44% | <b>463</b><br>40% |
| <b>6 or more correct</b>                 | <b>708</b><br>61% | <b>475</b><br>61% | <b>87</b><br>64% | <b>146</b><br>62% | <b>471</b><br>77%    | <b>235</b><br>44% | <b>460</b><br>74%  | <b>53</b><br>38% | <b>169</b><br>94%  | <b>538</b><br>55% | <b>190</b><br>59%         | <b>507</b><br>64% | <b>366</b><br>72% | <b>342</b><br>53% | <b>681</b><br>59% |
| <b>7 or more correct</b>                 | <b>499</b><br>43% | <b>334</b><br>43% | <b>71</b><br>52% | <b>94</b><br>40%  | <b>357</b><br>58%    | <b>141</b><br>26% | <b>337</b><br>54%  | <b>32</b><br>23% | <b>144</b><br>80%  | <b>355</b><br>36% | <b>139</b><br>43%         | <b>357</b><br>45% | <b>273</b><br>54% | <b>226</b><br>35% | <b>483</b><br>42% |
| <b>Average number of correct answers</b> | <b>5.99</b>       | <b>5.95</b>       | <b>6.24</b>      | <b>5.99</b>       | <b>6.75</b>          | <b>5.14</b>       | <b>6.60</b>        | <b>4.93</b>      | <b>7.48</b>        | <b>5.71</b>       | <b>5.94</b>               | <b>6.09</b>       | <b>6.47</b>       | <b>5.60</b>       | <b>5.88</b>       |

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Table 154

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- Correct -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Total       | Quiz score  |             |             | Satisfaction with local MP |              | Satisfaction with MPs in general |              | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |             | Use of internet |                     | Unwtd total |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|--------------|--|-------------|-----------------|---------------------|-------------|
|  |             | Scored 0-3  | Scored 4-6  | Scored 7-9  | Satisfied                  | Dissatisfied | Satisfied                        | Dissatisfied | Agree                                  | Disagree    | Use internet    | Do not use internet |             |
| Unweighted total                         | 1156        | 210         | 463         | 483         | 459                        | 183          | 349                              | 502          | 438                                    | 450         | 762             | 394                 | 1156        |
| Weighted total                           | 1156        | 187         | 470         | 499         | 444                        | 190          | 336                              | 515          | 427                                    | 474         | 826             | 330                 | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                    | <b>801</b>  | <b>150</b>  | <b>310</b>  | <b>345</b>  | <b>324</b>                 | <b>135</b>   | <b>264</b>                       | <b>330</b>   | <b>327</b>                             | <b>302</b>  | <b>540</b>      | <b>269</b>          | <b>1156</b> |
| <b>3 or fewer correct</b>                | <b>187</b>  | <b>187</b>  | -           | -           | <b>54</b>                  | <b>32</b>    | <b>52</b>                        | <b>57</b>    | <b>61</b>                              | <b>68</b>   | <b>108</b>      | <b>79</b>           | <b>210</b>  |
|  | <b>16%</b>  | <b>100%</b> | -           | -           | <b>12%</b>                 | <b>17%</b>   | <b>15%</b>                       | <b>11%</b>   | <b>14%</b>                             | <b>14%</b>  | <b>13%</b>      | <b>24%</b>          | <b>18%</b>  |
| <b>4 correct</b>                         | <b>109</b>  | -           | <b>109</b>  | -           | <b>39</b>                  | <b>18</b>    | <b>26</b>                        | <b>60</b>    | <b>42</b>                              | <b>49</b>   | <b>59</b>       | <b>50</b>           | <b>122</b>  |
|  | <b>9%</b>   | -           | <b>23%</b>  | -           | <b>9%</b>                  | <b>9%</b>    | <b>8%</b>                        | <b>12%</b>   | <b>10%</b>                             | <b>10%</b>  | <b>7%</b>       | <b>15%</b>          | <b>11%</b>  |
| <b>5 correct</b>                         | <b>152</b>  | -           | <b>152</b>  | -           | <b>52</b>                  | <b>24</b>    | <b>41</b>                        | <b>71</b>    | <b>58</b>                              | <b>67</b>   | <b>94</b>       | <b>58</b>           | <b>143</b>  |
|  | <b>13%</b>  | -           | <b>32%</b>  | -           | <b>12%</b>                 | <b>12%</b>   | <b>12%</b>                       | <b>14%</b>   | <b>14%</b>                             | <b>14%</b>  | <b>11%</b>      | <b>17%</b>          | <b>12%</b>  |
| <b>6 correct</b>                         | <b>208</b>  | -           | <b>208</b>  | -           | <b>72</b>                  | <b>40</b>    | <b>48</b>                        | <b>116</b>   | <b>66</b>                              | <b>95</b>   | <b>156</b>      | <b>52</b>           | <b>198</b>  |
|  | <b>18%</b>  | -           | <b>44%</b>  | -           | <b>16%</b>                 | <b>21%</b>   | <b>14%</b>                       | <b>23%</b>   | <b>15%</b>                             | <b>20%</b>  | <b>19%</b>      | <b>16%</b>          | <b>17%</b>  |
| <b>7 correct</b>                         | <b>190</b>  | -           | -           | <b>190</b>  | <b>79</b>                  | <b>33</b>    | <b>58</b>                        | <b>75</b>    | <b>82</b>                              | <b>69</b>   | <b>151</b>      | <b>39</b>           | <b>186</b>  |
|  | <b>16%</b>  | -           | -           | <b>38%</b>  | <b>18%</b>                 | <b>17%</b>   | <b>17%</b>                       | <b>15%</b>   | <b>19%</b>                             | <b>15%</b>  | <b>18%</b>      | <b>12%</b>          | <b>16%</b>  |
| <b>8 correct</b>                         | <b>176</b>  | -           | -           | <b>176</b>  | <b>85</b>                  | <b>25</b>    | <b>56</b>                        | <b>93</b>    | <b>62</b>                              | <b>77</b>   | <b>145</b>      | <b>31</b>           | <b>177</b>  |
|  | <b>15%</b>  | -           | -           | <b>35%</b>  | <b>19%</b>                 | <b>13%</b>   | <b>17%</b>                       | <b>18%</b>   | <b>15%</b>                             | <b>16%</b>  | <b>18%</b>      | <b>9%</b>           | <b>15%</b>  |
| <b>9 correct</b>                         | <b>133</b>  | -           | -           | <b>133</b>  | <b>63</b>                  | <b>19</b>    | <b>56</b>                        | <b>44</b>    | <b>56</b>                              | <b>49</b>   | <b>112</b>      | <b>20</b>           | <b>120</b>  |
|  | <b>11%</b>  | -           | -           | <b>27%</b>  | <b>14%</b>                 | <b>10%</b>   | <b>17%</b>                       | <b>8%</b>    | <b>13%</b>                             | <b>10%</b>  | <b>14%</b>      | <b>6%</b>           | <b>10%</b>  |
| <b>4-6 correct</b>                       | <b>470</b>  | -           | <b>470</b>  | -           | <b>163</b>                 | <b>82</b>    | <b>114</b>                       | <b>246</b>   | <b>166</b>                             | <b>210</b>  | <b>309</b>      | <b>160</b>          | <b>463</b>  |
|  | <b>41%</b>  | -           | <b>100%</b> | -           | <b>37%</b>                 | <b>43%</b>   | <b>34%</b>                       | <b>48%</b>   | <b>39%</b>                             | <b>44%</b>  | <b>37%</b>      | <b>49%</b>          | <b>40%</b>  |
| <b>6 or more correct</b>                 | <b>708</b>  | -           | <b>208</b>  | <b>499</b>  | <b>299</b>                 | <b>116</b>   | <b>218</b>                       | <b>327</b>   | <b>266</b>                             | <b>290</b>  | <b>565</b>      | <b>143</b>          | <b>681</b>  |
|  | <b>61%</b>  | -           | <b>44%</b>  | <b>100%</b> | <b>67%</b>                 | <b>61%</b>   | <b>65%</b>                       | <b>64%</b>   | <b>62%</b>                             | <b>61%</b>  | <b>68%</b>      | <b>43%</b>          | <b>59%</b>  |
| <b>7 or more correct</b>                 | <b>499</b>  | -           | -           | <b>499</b>  | <b>227</b>                 | <b>76</b>    | <b>170</b>                       | <b>211</b>   | <b>200</b>                             | <b>195</b>  | <b>409</b>      | <b>90</b>           | <b>483</b>  |
|  | <b>43%</b>  | -           | -           | <b>100%</b> | <b>51%</b>                 | <b>40%</b>   | <b>51%</b>                       | <b>41%</b>   | <b>47%</b>                             | <b>41%</b>  | <b>49%</b>      | <b>27%</b>          | <b>42%</b>  |
| <b>Average number of correct answers</b> | <b>5.99</b> | <b>2.44</b> | <b>5.21</b> | <b>7.88</b> | <b>6.31</b>                | <b>5.85</b>  | <b>6.22</b>                      | <b>6.03</b>  | <b>6.08</b>                            | <b>5.96</b> | <b>6.28</b>     | <b>5.25</b>         | <b>5.88</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 155

**Q.14 Please tell me if you think that the following statements are true or false.**

**- Correct -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Total       | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        | Unwtd total |                   |
|--|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------|-------------------|
|  |             | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful |             | Alienated/hostile |
| Unweighted total                         | 1156        | 163                   | 351                      | 386                     | 419         | 96                    | 142                | 146                   | 228             | 62                    | 93              | 287                    | 102         | 1156              |
| Weighted total                           | 1156        | 175                   | 373                      | 396                     | 387         | 116                   | 157                | 159                   | 191             | 66                    | 92              | 277                    | 99          | 1156              |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                    | <b>801</b>  | <b>113</b>            | <b>251</b>               | <b>263</b>              | <b>290</b>  | <b>72</b>             | <b>101</b>         | <b>92</b>             | <b>160</b>      | <b>49</b>             | <b>66</b>       | <b>209</b>             | <b>63</b>   | <b>1156</b>       |
| <b>3 or fewer correct</b>                | <b>187</b>  | <b>17</b>             | <b>40</b>                | <b>67</b>               | <b>80</b>   | <b>-</b>              | <b>3</b>           | <b>8</b>              | <b>34</b>       | <b>2</b>              | <b>28</b>       | <b>65</b>              | <b>47</b>   | <b>210</b>        |
|  | 16%         | 10%                   | 11%                      | 17%                     | 21%         | -                     | 2%                 | 5%                    | 18%             | 3%                    | 31%             | 23%                    | 48%         | 18%               |
| <b>4 correct</b>                         | <b>109</b>  | <b>15</b>             | <b>30</b>                | <b>48</b>               | <b>32</b>   | <b>-</b>              | <b>3</b>           | <b>8</b>              | <b>25</b>       | <b>1</b>              | <b>14</b>       | <b>47</b>              | <b>12</b>   | <b>122</b>        |
|  | 9%          | 8%                    | 8%                       | 12%                     | 8%          | -                     | 2%                 | 5%                    | 13%             | 2%                    | 15%             | 17%                    | 12%         | 11%               |
| <b>5 correct</b>                         | <b>152</b>  | <b>22</b>             | <b>49</b>                | <b>48</b>               | <b>55</b>   | <b>2</b>              | <b>10</b>          | <b>28</b>             | <b>24</b>       | <b>5</b>              | <b>16</b>       | <b>52</b>              | <b>14</b>   | <b>143</b>        |
|  | 13%         | 13%                   | 13%                      | 12%                     | 14%         | 2%                    | 7%                 | 17%                   | 12%             | 7%                    | 18%             | 19%                    | 14%         | 12%               |
| <b>6 correct</b>                         | <b>208</b>  | <b>30</b>             | <b>61</b>                | <b>64</b>               | <b>83</b>   | <b>14</b>             | <b>34</b>          | <b>35</b>             | <b>39</b>       | <b>12</b>             | <b>11</b>       | <b>47</b>              | <b>17</b>   | <b>198</b>        |
|  | 18%         | 17%                   | 16%                      | 16%                     | 22%         | 12%                   | 21%                | 22%                   | 20%             | 18%                   | 12%             | 17%                    | 17%         | 17%               |
| <b>7 correct</b>                         | <b>190</b>  | <b>33</b>             | <b>72</b>                | <b>71</b>               | <b>48</b>   | <b>25</b>             | <b>37</b>          | <b>28</b>             | <b>29</b>       | <b>17</b>             | <b>12</b>       | <b>39</b>              | <b>4</b>    | <b>186</b>        |
|  | 16%         | 19%                   | 19%                      | 18%                     | 12%         | 21%                   | 24%                | 17%                   | 15%             | 25%                   | 13%             | 14%                    | 4%          | 16%               |
| <b>8 correct</b>                         | <b>176</b>  | <b>29</b>             | <b>68</b>                | <b>63</b>               | <b>45</b>   | <b>32</b>             | <b>43</b>          | <b>31</b>             | <b>26</b>       | <b>15</b>             | <b>9</b>        | <b>19</b>              | <b>1</b>    | <b>177</b>        |
|  | 15%         | 17%                   | 18%                      | 16%                     | 12%         | 28%                   | 27%                | 19%                   | 13%             | 23%                   | 10%             | 7%                     | 1%          | 15%               |
| <b>9 correct</b>                         | <b>133</b>  | <b>29</b>             | <b>52</b>                | <b>36</b>               | <b>45</b>   | <b>42</b>             | <b>27</b>          | <b>22</b>             | <b>15</b>       | <b>15</b>             | <b>1</b>        | <b>8</b>               | <b>3</b>    | <b>120</b>        |
|  | 11%         | 17%                   | 14%                      | 9%                      | 12%         | 36%                   | 17%                | 14%                   | 8%              | 23%                   | 1%              | 3%                     | 3%          | 10%               |
| <b>4-6 correct</b>                       | <b>470</b>  | <b>67</b>             | <b>141</b>               | <b>159</b>              | <b>170</b>  | <b>16</b>             | <b>47</b>          | <b>71</b>             | <b>88</b>       | <b>17</b>             | <b>42</b>       | <b>146</b>             | <b>42</b>   | <b>463</b>        |
|  | 41%         | 38%                   | 38%                      | 40%                     | 44%         | 14%                   | 30%                | 45%                   | 46%             | 26%                   | 45%             | 53%                    | 43%         | 40%               |
| <b>6 or more correct</b>                 | <b>708</b>  | <b>122</b>            | <b>254</b>               | <b>233</b>              | <b>221</b>  | <b>113</b>            | <b>140</b>         | <b>115</b>            | <b>108</b>      | <b>59</b>             | <b>34</b>       | <b>113</b>             | <b>26</b>   | <b>681</b>        |
|  | 61%         | 69%                   | 68%                      | 59%                     | 57%         | 98%                   | 90%                | 72%                   | 56%             | 89%                   | 37%             | 41%                    | 26%         | 59%               |
| <b>7 or more correct</b>                 | <b>499</b>  | <b>91</b>             | <b>193</b>               | <b>170</b>              | <b>137</b>  | <b>99</b>             | <b>107</b>         | <b>80</b>             | <b>69</b>       | <b>47</b>             | <b>22</b>       | <b>66</b>              | <b>9</b>    | <b>483</b>        |
|  | 43%         | 52%                   | 52%                      | 43%                     | 35%         | 86%                   | 68%                | 50%                   | 36%             | 71%                   | 24%             | 24%                    | 9%          | 42%               |
| <b>Average number of correct answers</b> | <b>5.99</b> | <b>6.44</b>           | <b>6.37</b>              | <b>5.81</b>             | <b>5.81</b> | <b>7.85</b>           | <b>7.14</b>        | <b>6.53</b>           | <b>5.71</b>     | <b>7.20</b>           | <b>4.84</b>     | <b>5.06</b>            | <b>4.26</b> | <b>5.88</b>       |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 156

### Q.15 Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way that Parliament works?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Gender            |                   | Age               |                  |                  |                   |                    |                    |                    |                  |                   |                    | Social class       |                   |                   |                    |                    |                   | Region             |                   |                   | Marital status     |                       |                                | Unwtd total      |                   |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
|                                    | Male              | Female            | 18-24             | 25-34            | 35-44            | 45-54             | 55-64              | 65-74              | 75+                | 18-34            | 35-54             | 55+                | AB                 | C1                | C2                | DE                 | ABC1               | C2DE              | North              | South             | Mid lands         | Single             | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |                  |                   |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156              | 552               | 604               | 138              | 207              | 206               | 141                | 170                | 159                | 135              | 345               | 347                | 464                | 224               | 353               | 257                | 322                | 577               | 579                | 438               | 339               | 379                | 290                   | 669                            | 197              | 1156              |
| Weighted total                     | 1156              | 561               | 595               | 173              | 183              | 216               | 186                | 169                | 117                | 111              | 356               | 402                | 398                | 310               | 333               | 241                | 272                | 642               | 514                | 387               | 411               | 358                | 306                   | 681                            | 169              | 1156              |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>        | <b>391</b>        | <b>410</b>        | <b>98</b>        | <b>145</b>       | <b>149</b>        | <b>105</b>         | <b>117</b>         | <b>135</b>         | <b>87</b>        | <b>236</b>        | <b>252</b>         | <b>323</b>         | <b>161</b>        | <b>256</b>        | <b>191</b>         | <b>222</b>         | <b>401</b>        | <b>413</b>         | <b>312</b>        | <b>250</b>        | <b>251</b>         | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>       | <b>1156</b>       |
| Very satisfied                     | 13<br>1%          | 9<br>2%           | 5<br>1%           | 2<br>1%          | 1<br>*           | 2<br>1%           | 1<br>1%            | 1<br>1%            | 3<br>2%            | 3<br>3%          | 3<br>1%           | 3<br>1%            | 7<br>2%            | 2<br>1%           | 4<br>1%           | *                  | 7<br>3%            | 6<br>1%           | 7<br>1%            | 4<br>1%           | 6<br>1%           | 4<br>1%            | 5<br>2%               | 3<br>1%                        | 4<br>3%          | 20<br>2%          |
| Fairly satisfied                   | 375<br>32%        | 202<br>36%        | 173<br>29%        | 68<br>40%        | 65<br>36%        | 62<br>29%         | 50<br>27%          | 52<br>31%          | 40<br>34%          | 37<br>33%        | 134<br>38%        | 112<br>28%         | 129<br>32%         | 110<br>36%        | 118<br>36%        | 73<br>30%          | 73<br>27%          | 229<br>36%        | 146<br>28%         | 133<br>34%        | 134<br>33%        | 108<br>30%         | 116<br>38%            | 206<br>30%                     | 53<br>31%        | 383<br>33%        |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 282<br>24%        | 108<br>19%        | 175<br>29%        | 53<br>30%        | 56<br>30%        | 63<br>29%         | 43<br>23%          | 34<br>20%          | 17<br>14%          | 17<br>15%        | 108<br>30%        | 106<br>26%         | 67<br>17%          | 79<br>26%         | 83<br>25%         | 54<br>22%          | 66<br>24%          | 162<br>25%        | 120<br>23%         | 85<br>22%         | 107<br>26%        | 90<br>25%          | 87<br>28%             | 154<br>23%                     | 41<br>24%        | 272<br>24%        |
| Fairly dissatisfied                | 294<br>25%        | 158<br>28%        | 136<br>23%        | 25<br>15%        | 36<br>20%        | 61<br>28%         | 65<br>35%          | 44<br>26%          | 36<br>31%          | 26<br>23%        | 62<br>17%         | 126<br>31%         | 106<br>27%         | 80<br>26%         | 72<br>22%         | 65<br>27%          | 77<br>28%          | 152<br>24%        | 142<br>28%         | 103<br>27%        | 100<br>24%        | 92<br>26%          | 60<br>20%             | 199<br>29%                     | 35<br>21%        | 275<br>24%        |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 149<br>13%        | 72<br>13%         | 77<br>13%         | 21<br>12%        | 12<br>7%         | 19<br>9%          | 23<br>12%          | 36<br>21%          | 19<br>16%          | 18<br>16%        | 34<br>9%          | 42<br>11%          | 73<br>18%          | 35<br>11%         | 42<br>13%         | 39<br>16%          | 33<br>12%          | 76<br>12%         | 73<br>14%          | 47<br>12%         | 45<br>11%         | 58<br>16%          | 30<br>10%             | 92<br>14%                      | 27<br>16%        | 156<br>13%        |
| Don't know                         | 43<br>4%          | 13<br>2%          | 30<br>5%          | 3<br>1%          | 13<br>7%         | 8<br>4%           | 4<br>2%            | 3<br>2%            | 3<br>2%            | 10<br>9%         | 16<br>4%          | 12<br>3%           | 15<br>4%           | 4<br>1%           | 13<br>4%          | 10<br>4%           | 16<br>6%           | 17<br>3%          | 26<br>5%           | 16<br>4%          | 20<br>5%          | 7<br>2%            | 8<br>3%               | 26<br>4%                       | 8<br>5%          | 50<br>4%          |
| <b>Satisfied</b>                   | <b>388</b><br>34% | <b>211</b><br>38% | <b>177</b><br>30% | <b>71</b><br>41% | <b>66</b><br>36% | <b>64</b><br>30%  | <b>51</b><br>27%   | <b>53</b><br>31%   | <b>43</b><br>36%   | <b>40</b><br>36% | <b>137</b><br>38% | <b>115</b><br>29%  | <b>136</b><br>34%  | <b>112</b><br>36% | <b>123</b><br>37% | <b>73</b><br>30%   | <b>80</b><br>29%   | <b>235</b><br>37% | <b>153</b><br>30%  | <b>137</b><br>35% | <b>140</b><br>34% | <b>111</b><br>31%  | <b>121</b><br>40%     | <b>209</b><br>31%              | <b>57</b><br>34% | <b>403</b><br>35% |
| <b>Dissatisfied</b>                | <b>443</b><br>38% | <b>230</b><br>41% | <b>213</b><br>36% | <b>47</b><br>27% | <b>48</b><br>26% | <b>80</b><br>37%  | <b>88</b><br>48%   | <b>80</b><br>47%   | <b>55</b><br>47%   | <b>44</b><br>40% | <b>95</b><br>27%  | <b>169</b><br>42%  | <b>179</b><br>45%  | <b>115</b><br>37% | <b>114</b><br>34% | <b>104</b><br>43%  | <b>111</b><br>41%  | <b>228</b><br>36% | <b>215</b><br>42%  | <b>149</b><br>39% | <b>145</b><br>35% | <b>149</b><br>42%  | <b>90</b><br>29%      | <b>291</b><br>43%              | <b>62</b><br>37% | <b>431</b><br>37% |
| <b>Net satisfied</b>               | <b>-55</b><br>-5% | <b>-19</b><br>-3% | <b>-36</b><br>-6% | <b>24</b><br>14% | <b>18</b><br>10% | <b>-16</b><br>-8% | <b>-37</b><br>-20% | <b>-27</b><br>-16% | <b>-12</b><br>-11% | <b>-4</b><br>-3% | <b>42</b><br>12%  | <b>-54</b><br>-13% | <b>-43</b><br>-11% | <b>-2</b><br>-1%  | <b>9</b><br>3%    | <b>-31</b><br>-13% | <b>-31</b><br>-11% | <b>7</b><br>1%    | <b>-62</b><br>-12% | <b>-13</b><br>-3% | <b>-5</b><br>-1%  | <b>-38</b><br>-11% | <b>32</b><br>10%      | <b>-82</b><br>-12%             | <b>-5</b><br>-3% | <b>-28</b><br>-2% |

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Table 157

### Q.15 Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way that Parliament works?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education                |                   |                                |                  | Ethnicity  |            | GO Region  |           |           |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           | Unwtd total |            |             |
|------------------------------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|                                    | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/ CSE/ NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/ Masters /PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME        | South East | Eastern   | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland   |             |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156           | 425        | 109         | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548                      | 318               | 183                            | 258              | 274        | 1007       | 146        | 116       | 102       | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68        | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | 1156           | 520        | 109         | 527                   | 372        | 287                  | 253        | 423        | 522                      | 320               | 213                            | 287              | 219        | 1054       | 100        | 162       | 110       | 147        | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101        | 134        | 51        | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b> | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b>               | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                     | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b> | <b>703</b> | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b> | <b>72</b> | <b>86</b>  | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b> | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| Very satisfied                     | 13             | 2          | -           | 11                    | 2          | 2                    | 1          | 3          | 9                        | 4                 | -                              | 1                | 6          | 10         | 3          | 3         | 1         | 2          | 1             | 3             | -                        | 1          | 1          | -         | -           | 2          | 20          |
|                                    | 1%             | *          | -           | 2%                    | 1%         | 1%                   | 1%         | 1%         | 2%                       | 1%                | -                              | *                | 3%         | 1%         | 3%         | 2%        | 1%        | 1%         | 1%            | 3%            | -                        | 1%         | *          | -         | -           | 2%         | 2%          |
| Fairly satisfied                   | 375            | 165        | 33          | 177                   | 107        | 101                  | 97         | 137        | 157                      | 98                | 70                             | 121              | 60         | 323        | 50         | 60        | 37        | 49         | 25            | 35            | 24                       | 31         | 59         | 14        | 12          | 29         | 383         |
|                                    | 32%            | 32%        | 30%         | 34%                   | 29%        | 35%                  | 38%        | 32%        | 30%                      | 31%               | 33%                            | 42%              | 28%        | 31%        | 50%        | 37%       | 34%       | 33%        | 24%           | 33%           | 27%                      | 31%        | 44%        | 28%       | 21%         | 29%        | 33%         |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 282            | 131        | 41          | 110                   | 111        | 77                   | 59         | 109        | 122                      | 79                | 70                             | 59               | 41         | 262        | 20         | 38        | 26        | 43         | 25            | 27            | 24                       | 15         | 28         | 12        | 13          | 30         | 272         |
|                                    | 24%            | 25%        | 38%         | 21%                   | 30%        | 27%                  | 23%        | 26%        | 23%                      | 25%               | 33%                            | 21%              | 19%        | 25%        | 20%        | 23%       | 24%       | 29%        | 25%           | 26%           | 28%                      | 15%        | 21%        | 25%       | 22%         | 29%        | 24%         |
| Fairly dissatisfied                | 294            | 147        | 28          | 119                   | 101        | 65                   | 65         | 110        | 131                      | 85                | 48                             | 74               | 55         | 284        | 10         | 39        | 27        | 30         | 31            | 27            | 24                       | 34         | 27         | 16        | 14          | 25         | 275         |
|                                    | 25%            | 28%        | 25%         | 23%                   | 27%        | 23%                  | 26%        | 26%        | 25%                      | 27%               | 22%                            | 26%              | 25%        | 27%        | 10%        | 24%       | 25%       | 20%        | 31%           | 26%           | 28%                      | 34%        | 20%        | 32%       | 24%         | 25%        | 24%         |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 149            | 63         | 7           | 79                    | 35         | 34                   | 24         | 50         | 79                       | 45                | 19                             | 25               | 36         | 141        | 8          | 17        | 16        | 10         | 18            | 10            | 13                       | 13         | 17         | 5         | 18          | 12         | 156         |
|                                    | 13%            | 12%        | 6%          | 15%                   | 9%         | 12%                  | 9%         | 12%        | 15%                      | 14%               | 9%                             | 9%               | 16%        | 13%        | 8%         | 11%       | 15%       | 6%         | 17%           | 10%           | 15%                      | 13%        | 13%        | 9%        | 31%         | 11%        | 13%         |
| Don't know                         | 43             | 11         | *           | 31                    | 15         | 8                    | 6          | 14         | 23                       | 8                 | 7                              | 7                | 21         | 34         | 9          | 5         | 2         | 13         | 2             | 2             | 2                        | 5          | 3          | 4         | 1           | 5          | 50          |
|                                    | 4%             | 2%         | *           | 6%                    | 4%         | 3%                   | 2%         | 3%         | 4%                       | 3%                | 3%                             | 2%               | 10%        | 3%         | 9%         | 3%        | 2%        | 9%         | 2%            | 2%            | 2%                       | 5%         | 2%         | 7%        | 2%          | 5%         | 4%          |
| <b>Satisfied</b>                   | <b>388</b>     | <b>167</b> | <b>33</b>   | <b>189</b>            | <b>110</b> | <b>103</b>           | <b>99</b>  | <b>140</b> | <b>166</b>               | <b>103</b>        | <b>70</b>                      | <b>122</b>       | <b>66</b>  | <b>334</b> | <b>53</b>  | <b>63</b> | <b>38</b> | <b>51</b>  | <b>26</b>     | <b>37</b>     | <b>24</b>                | <b>33</b>  | <b>59</b>  | <b>14</b> | <b>12</b>   | <b>31</b>  | <b>403</b>  |
|                                    | 34%            | 32%        | 30%         | 36%                   | 30%        | 36%                  | 39%        | 33%        | 32%                      | 32%               | 33%                            | 43%              | 30%        | 32%        | 53%        | 39%       | 35%       | 35%        | 26%           | 36%           | 27%                      | 33%        | 44%        | 28%       | 21%         | 30%        | 35%         |
| <b>Dissatisfied</b>                | <b>443</b>     | <b>211</b> | <b>35</b>   | <b>198</b>            | <b>136</b> | <b>100</b>           | <b>89</b>  | <b>160</b> | <b>210</b>               | <b>130</b>        | <b>67</b>                      | <b>99</b>        | <b>91</b>  | <b>425</b> | <b>18</b>  | <b>56</b> | <b>43</b> | <b>39</b>  | <b>49</b>     | <b>37</b>     | <b>37</b>                | <b>48</b>  | <b>44</b>  | <b>21</b> | <b>32</b>   | <b>37</b>  | <b>431</b>  |
|                                    | 38%            | 41%        | 32%         | 38%                   | 37%        | 35%                  | 35%        | 38%        | 40%                      | 41%               | 31%                            | 34%              | 41%        | 40%        | 18%        | 35%       | 39%       | 27%        | 48%           | 36%           | 43%                      | 48%        | 33%        | 41%       | 55%         | 36%        | 37%         |
| <b>Net satisfied</b>               | <b>-55</b>     | <b>-44</b> | <b>-2</b>   | <b>-9</b>             | <b>-26</b> | <b>3</b>             | <b>10</b>  | <b>-20</b> | <b>-44</b>               | <b>-28</b>        | <b>3</b>                       | <b>23</b>        | <b>-24</b> | <b>-91</b> | <b>35</b>  | <b>7</b>  | <b>-5</b> | <b>12</b>  | <b>-23</b>    | <b>*</b>      | <b>-13</b>               | <b>-15</b> | <b>15</b>  | <b>-7</b> | <b>-20</b>  | <b>-6</b>  | <b>-28</b>  |
|                                    | -5%            | -8%        | -2%         | -2%                   | -7%        | 1%                   | 4%         | -5%        | -9%                      | -9%               | 2%                             | 8%               | -11%       | -9%        | 35%        | 4%        | -5%       | 8%         | -22%          | *             | -15%                     | -15%       | 11%        | -13%      | -34%        | -6%        | -2%         |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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### Q.15 Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way that Parliament works?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Urbanity          |                   |                    | Interest in politics |                   | Likelihood to vote |                   | Political activism |                    | Opinion on present system |                   | Knew local MP       |                   | Unwtd total       |                   |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                                    | Total             | Urban             | Rural              | Mixed                | Interested        | Not interested     | Certain to        | Certain not to     | Activist           | Non-activist              | Works well        | Needs improvement   | Yes               |                   | No                |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156              | 773               | 145                | 238                  | 580               | 569                | 627               | 143                | 160                | 996                       | 327               | 783                 | 495               | 661               | 1156              |
| Weighted total                     | 1156              | 784               | 136                | 235                  | 611               | 539                | 619               | 140                | 180                | 976                       | 322               | 793                 | 511               | 645               | 1156              |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>        | <b>535</b>        | <b>97</b>          | <b>170</b>           | <b>404</b>        | <b>394</b>         | <b>430</b>        | <b>96</b>          | <b>118</b>         | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b>        | <b>543</b>          | <b>339</b>        | <b>464</b>        | <b>1156</b>       |
| Very satisfied                     | 13<br>1%          | 9<br>1%           | 2<br>1%            | 2<br>1%              | 8<br>1%           | 4<br>1%            | 6<br>1%           | 2<br>1%            | 1<br>1%            | 12<br>1%                  | 6<br>2%           | 6<br>1%             | 5<br>1%           | 8<br>1%           | 20<br>2%          |
| Fairly satisfied                   | 375<br>32%        | 270<br>34%        | 41<br>30%          | 64<br>27%            | 232<br>38%        | 141<br>26%         | 216<br>35%        | 28<br>20%          | 62<br>35%          | 312<br>32%                | 173<br>54%        | 196<br>25%          | 174<br>34%        | 201<br>31%        | 383<br>33%        |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 282<br>24%        | 197<br>25%        | 26<br>19%          | 59<br>25%            | 121<br>20%        | 160<br>30%         | 121<br>20%        | 35<br>25%          | 26<br>14%          | 256<br>26%                | 81<br>25%         | 187<br>24%          | 113<br>22%        | 169<br>26%        | 272<br>24%        |
| Fairly dissatisfied                | 294<br>25%        | 195<br>25%        | 32<br>23%          | 67<br>29%            | 159<br>26%        | 133<br>25%         | 177<br>29%        | 29<br>21%          | 62<br>35%          | 232<br>24%                | 44<br>14%         | 244<br>31%          | 140<br>27%        | 154<br>24%        | 275<br>24%        |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 149<br>13%        | 76<br>10%         | 33<br>24%          | 39<br>17%            | 76<br>12%         | 72<br>13%          | 79<br>13%         | 37<br>27%          | 23<br>13%          | 126<br>13%                | 8<br>3%           | 139<br>17%          | 60<br>12%         | 89<br>14%         | 156<br>13%        |
| Don't know                         | 43<br>4%          | 36<br>5%          | 2<br>2%            | 4<br>2%              | 14<br>2%          | 28<br>5%           | 19<br>3%          | 9<br>6%            | 4<br>2%            | 38<br>4%                  | 10<br>3%          | 22<br>3%            | 18<br>4%          | 24<br>4%          | 50<br>4%          |
| <b>Satisfied</b>                   | <b>388</b><br>34% | <b>279</b><br>36% | <b>43</b><br>31%   | <b>66</b><br>28%     | <b>241</b><br>39% | <b>145</b><br>27%  | <b>223</b><br>36% | <b>30</b><br>21%   | <b>64</b><br>36%   | <b>324</b><br>33%         | <b>179</b><br>56% | <b>202</b><br>25%   | <b>179</b><br>35% | <b>209</b><br>32% | <b>403</b><br>35% |
| <b>Dissatisfied</b>                | <b>443</b><br>38% | <b>271</b><br>35% | <b>65</b><br>48%   | <b>107</b><br>45%    | <b>235</b><br>38% | <b>205</b><br>38%  | <b>256</b><br>41% | <b>66</b><br>47%   | <b>86</b><br>48%   | <b>357</b><br>37%         | <b>52</b><br>16%  | <b>383</b><br>48%   | <b>201</b><br>39% | <b>242</b><br>38% | <b>431</b><br>37% |
| <b>Net satisfied</b>               | <b>-55</b><br>-5% | <b>8</b><br>1%    | <b>-22</b><br>-16% | <b>-41</b><br>-17%   | <b>6</b><br>1%    | <b>-60</b><br>-11% | <b>-33</b><br>-5% | <b>-36</b><br>-26% | <b>-22</b><br>-12% | <b>-33</b><br>-3%         | <b>127</b><br>39% | <b>-181</b><br>-23% | <b>-22</b><br>-4% | <b>-34</b><br>-5% | <b>-28</b><br>-2% |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 159

### Q.15 Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way that Parliament works?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Quiz score               |                         |                          | Satisfaction with local MP |                          | Satisfaction with general MPs in general |                          | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |                          | Use of internet            |                          | Unwtd total              |                          |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                    | Total                    | Scored 0-3              | Scored 4-6               | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                             | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                           | Agree                    | Disagree                   | Use internet             |                          | Do not use internet      |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156                     | 210                     | 463                      | 483                        | 459                      | 183                                      | 349                      | 502                                    | 438                      | 450                        | 762                      | 394                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total                     | 1156                     | 187                     | 470                      | 499                        | 444                      | 190                                      | 336                      | 515                                    | 427                      | 474                        | 826                      | 330                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>               | <b>150</b>              | <b>310</b>               | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b>               | <b>135</b>                               | <b>264</b>               | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b>               | <b>302</b>                 | <b>540</b>               | <b>269</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Very satisfied                     | 13<br>1%                 | 5<br>3%                 | 3<br>1%                  | 5<br>1%                    | 9<br>2%                  | 1<br>1%                                  | 9<br>3%                  | 2<br>*                                 | 7<br>2%                  | 4<br>1%                    | 4<br>*                   | 9<br>3%                  | 20<br>2%                 |
| Fairly satisfied                   | 375<br>32%               | 52<br>28%               | 147<br>31%               | 175<br>35%                 | 206<br>46%               | 42<br>22%                                | 225<br>67%               | 68<br>13%                              | 186<br>44%               | 108<br>23%                 | 274<br>33%               | 101<br>31%               | 383<br>33%               |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 282<br>24%               | 49<br>26%               | 120<br>26%               | 113<br>23%                 | 80<br>18%                | 25<br>13%                                | 44<br>13%                | 102<br>20%                             | 91<br>21%                | 118<br>25%                 | 216<br>26%               | 66<br>20%                | 272<br>24%               |
| Fairly dissatisfied                | 294<br>25%               | 40<br>21%               | 116<br>25%               | 139<br>28%                 | 108<br>24%               | 77<br>41%                                | 36<br>11%                | 207<br>40%                             | 87<br>20%                | 151<br>32%                 | 206<br>25%               | 88<br>27%                | 275<br>24%               |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 149<br>13%               | 17<br>9%                | 72<br>15%                | 60<br>12%                  | 32<br>7%                 | 42<br>22%                                | 15<br>4%                 | 122<br>24%                             | 46<br>11%                | 84<br>18%                  | 101<br>12%               | 48<br>15%                | 156<br>13%               |
| Don't know                         | 43<br>4%                 | 24<br>13%               | 12<br>2%                 | 7<br>1%                    | 9<br>2%                  | 2<br>1%                                  | 6<br>2%                  | 13<br>3%                               | 9<br>2%                  | 9<br>2%                    | 25<br>3%                 | 18<br>5%                 | 50<br>4%                 |
| <b>Satisfied</b>                   | <b>388</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>57</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>150</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>180</b><br><b>36%</b>   | <b>215</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>43</b><br><b>23%</b>                  | <b>234</b><br><b>70%</b> | <b>70</b><br><b>14%</b>                | <b>194</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>112</b><br><b>24%</b>   | <b>278</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>110</b><br><b>33%</b> | <b>403</b><br><b>35%</b> |
| <b>Dissatisfied</b>                | <b>443</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>56</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>188</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>199</b><br><b>40%</b>   | <b>140</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>119</b><br><b>63%</b>                 | <b>51</b><br><b>15%</b>  | <b>329</b><br><b>64%</b>               | <b>134</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>235</b><br><b>50%</b>   | <b>307</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>136</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>431</b><br><b>37%</b> |
| <b>Net satisfied</b>               | <b>-55</b><br><b>-5%</b> | <b>1</b><br><b>1%</b>   | <b>-37</b><br><b>-8%</b> | <b>-19</b><br><b>-4%</b>   | <b>75</b><br><b>17%</b>  | <b>-76</b><br><b>-40%</b>                | <b>183</b><br><b>54%</b> | <b>-259</b><br><b>-50%</b>             | <b>60</b><br><b>14%</b>  | <b>-122</b><br><b>-26%</b> | <b>-29</b><br><b>-4%</b> | <b>-26</b><br><b>-8%</b> | <b>-28</b><br><b>-2%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 160

### Q.15 Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way that Parliament works?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Seat marginality  |                       |                          |                         | Segment           |                       |                    |                       |                    |                       |                  | Unwtd total      |                        |                   |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
|                                    | Total             | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%)       | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics    | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic  |                  | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156              | 163                   | 351                      | 386                     | 419               | 96                    | 142                | 146                   | 228                | 62                    | 93               | 287              | 102                    | 1156              |
| Weighted total                     | 1156              | 175                   | 373                      | 396                     | 387               | 116                   | 157                | 159                   | 191                | 66                    | 92               | 277              | 99                     | 1156              |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>        | <b>113</b>            | <b>251</b>               | <b>263</b>              | <b>290</b>        | <b>72</b>             | <b>101</b>         | <b>92</b>             | <b>160</b>         | <b>49</b>             | <b>66</b>        | <b>209</b>       | <b>63</b>              | <b>1156</b>       |
| Very satisfied                     | 13<br>1%          | 3<br>1%               | 3<br>1%                  | 7<br>2%                 | 4<br>1%           | -                     | 1<br>1%            | 1<br>1%               | 6<br>3%            | -                     | 1<br>2%          | 4<br>1%          | -                      | 20<br>2%          |
| Fairly satisfied                   | 375<br>32%        | 62<br>35%             | 127<br>34%               | 124<br>31%              | 124<br>32%        | 41<br>36%             | 60<br>38%          | 45<br>29%             | 50<br>26%          | 34<br>51%             | 41<br>44%        | 94<br>34%        | 10<br>10%              | 383<br>33%        |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 282<br>24%        | 40<br>23%             | 91<br>24%                | 85<br>21%               | 106<br>27%        | 14<br>12%             | 29<br>18%          | 43<br>27%             | 49<br>26%          | 18<br>27%             | 22<br>24%        | 91<br>33%        | 16<br>16%              | 272<br>24%        |
| Fairly dissatisfied                | 294<br>25%        | 40<br>23%             | 87<br>23%                | 117<br>30%              | 89<br>23%         | 42<br>36%             | 47<br>30%          | 39<br>24%             | 57<br>30%          | 10<br>15%             | 21<br>23%        | 50<br>18%        | 29<br>29%              | 275<br>24%        |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 149<br>13%        | 28<br>16%             | 55<br>15%                | 52<br>13%               | 43<br>11%         | 17<br>14%             | 18<br>11%          | 27<br>17%             | 19<br>10%          | 3<br>4%               | 4<br>4%          | 28<br>10%        | 34<br>35%              | 156<br>13%        |
| Don't know                         | 43<br>4%          | 3<br>2%               | 11<br>3%                 | 11<br>3%                | 21<br>5%          | 2<br>1%               | 2<br>2%            | 3<br>2%               | 11<br>6%           | 2<br>3%               | 3<br>3%          | 9<br>3%          | 10<br>10%              | 50<br>4%          |
| <b>Satisfied</b>                   | <b>388</b><br>34% | <b>64</b><br>37%      | <b>129</b><br>35%        | <b>131</b><br>33%       | <b>128</b><br>33% | <b>41</b><br>36%      | <b>61</b><br>39%   | <b>47</b><br>29%      | <b>55</b><br>29%   | <b>34</b><br>51%      | <b>42</b><br>46% | <b>98</b><br>35% | <b>10</b><br>10%       | <b>403</b><br>35% |
| <b>Dissatisfied</b>                | <b>443</b><br>38% | <b>67</b><br>39%      | <b>142</b><br>38%        | <b>169</b><br>43%       | <b>132</b><br>34% | <b>58</b><br>50%      | <b>65</b><br>41%   | <b>66</b><br>42%      | <b>76</b><br>40%   | <b>13</b><br>19%      | <b>24</b><br>27% | <b>79</b><br>28% | <b>63</b><br>64%       | <b>431</b><br>37% |
| <b>Net satisfied</b>               | <b>-55</b><br>-5% | <b>-3</b><br>-2%      | <b>-13</b><br>-3%        | <b>-38</b><br>-10%      | <b>-4</b><br>-1%  | <b>-17</b><br>-15%    | <b>-4</b><br>-3%   | <b>-19</b><br>-12%    | <b>-20</b><br>-11% | <b>21</b><br>32%      | <b>18</b><br>19% | <b>20</b><br>7%  | <b>-53</b><br>-54%     | <b>-28</b><br>-2% |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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### Q.16 Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way MPs in general are doing their job?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Gender                     |                           | Age                       |                         |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                         |                          |                           | Social class              |                          |                           |                           |                           |                           | Region                     |                           |                           | Marital status            |                          |                                | Unwtd total              |                            |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
|                                    | Male                       | Female                    | 18-24                     | 25-34                   | 35-44                     | 45-54                     | 55-64                     | 65-74                     | 75+                       | 18-34                   | 35-54                    | 55+                       | AB                        | C1                       | C2                        | DE                        | ABC1                      | C2DE                      | North                      | South                     | Mid lands                 | Single                    | Married /Co-hab iting    | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |                          |                            |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156                       | 552                       | 604                       | 138                     | 207                       | 206                       | 141                       | 170                       | 159                       | 135                     | 345                      | 347                       | 464                       | 224                      | 353                       | 257                       | 322                       | 577                       | 579                        | 438                       | 339                       | 379                       | 290                      | 669                            | 197                      | 1156                       |
| Weighted total                     | 1156                       | 561                       | 595                       | 173                     | 183                       | 216                       | 186                       | 169                       | 117                       | 111                     | 356                      | 402                       | 398                       | 310                      | 333                       | 241                       | 272                       | 642                       | 514                        | 387                       | 411                       | 358                       | 306                      | 681                            | 169                      | 1156                       |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>                 | <b>391</b>                | <b>410</b>                | <b>98</b>               | <b>145</b>                | <b>149</b>                | <b>105</b>                | <b>117</b>                | <b>135</b>                | <b>87</b>               | <b>236</b>               | <b>252</b>                | <b>323</b>                | <b>161</b>               | <b>256</b>                | <b>191</b>                | <b>222</b>                | <b>401</b>                | <b>413</b>                 | <b>312</b>                | <b>250</b>                | <b>251</b>                | <b>203</b>               | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>               | <b>1156</b>                |
| Very satisfied                     | 8<br>1%                    | 3<br>1%                   | 5<br>1%                   | 2<br>1%                 | 1<br>*                    | 1<br>*                    | 1<br>*                    | -<br>*                    | 2<br>2%                   | 2<br>2%                 | 3<br>1%                  | 1<br>*                    | 4<br>1%                   | 1<br>*                   | 1<br>*                    | 1<br>1%                   | 4<br>1%                   | 3<br>*                    | 6<br>1%                    | 3<br>1%                   | 2<br>1%                   | 3<br>1%                   | 3<br>1%                  | 2<br>*                         | 3<br>2%                  | 11<br>1%                   |
| Fairly satisfied                   | 328<br>28%                 | 170<br>30%                | 158<br>27%                | 46<br>27%               | 49<br>27%                 | 59<br>27%                 | 48<br>26%                 | 48<br>28%                 | 38<br>32%                 | 40<br>36%               | 95<br>27%                | 107<br>27%                | 126<br>32%                | 106<br>34%               | 99<br>30%                 | 55<br>23%                 | 69<br>25%                 | 205<br>32%                | 123<br>24%                 | 107<br>28%                | 121<br>29%                | 100<br>28%                | 89<br>29%                | 186<br>27%                     | 53<br>32%                | 338<br>29%                 |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 274<br>24%                 | 120<br>21%                | 154<br>26%                | 67<br>39%               | 51<br>28%                 | 43<br>20%                 | 42<br>23%                 | 37<br>22%                 | 22<br>19%                 | 11<br>10%               | 118<br>33%               | 85<br>21%                 | 71<br>18%                 | 73<br>24%                | 71<br>21%                 | 63<br>26%                 | 66<br>24%                 | 145<br>23%                | 129<br>25%                 | 87<br>22%                 | 111<br>27%                | 76<br>21%                 | 92<br>30%                | 142<br>21%                     | 39<br>23%                | 267<br>23%                 |
| Fairly dissatisfied                | 351<br>30%                 | 175<br>31%                | 175<br>29%                | 38<br>22%               | 52<br>28%                 | 76<br>35%                 | 61<br>33%                 | 61<br>36%                 | 32<br>27%                 | 31<br>28%               | 90<br>25%                | 137<br>34%                | 124<br>31%                | 100<br>32%               | 103<br>31%                | 69<br>28%                 | 80<br>29%                 | 203<br>32%                | 148<br>29%                 | 117<br>30%                | 125<br>31%                | 109<br>30%                | 78<br>25%                | 233<br>34%                     | 40<br>24%                | 323<br>28%                 |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 164<br>14%                 | 84<br>15%                 | 79<br>13%                 | 18<br>10%               | 17<br>9%                  | 32<br>15%                 | 34<br>18%                 | 22<br>13%                 | 21<br>18%                 | 21<br>19%               | 35<br>10%                | 66<br>16%                 | 63<br>16%                 | 28<br>9%                 | 47<br>14%                 | 48<br>20%                 | 41<br>15%                 | 75<br>12%                 | 89<br>17%                  | 64<br>16%                 | 41<br>10%                 | 59<br>16%                 | 34<br>11%                | 101<br>15%                     | 29<br>17%                | 179<br>15%                 |
| Don't know                         | 32<br>3%                   | 9<br>2%                   | 23<br>4%                  | 2<br>1%                 | 15<br>8%                  | 5<br>2%                   | 1<br>*                    | 2<br>1%                   | 2<br>1%                   | 6<br>6%                 | 16<br>5%                 | 6<br>1%                   | 10<br>3%                  | 1<br>*                   | 12<br>3%                  | 6<br>2%                   | 13<br>5%                  | 13<br>2%                  | 19<br>4%                   | 9<br>2%                   | 11<br>3%                  | 12<br>3%                  | 10<br>3%                 | 17<br>2%                       | 5<br>3%                  | 38<br>3%                   |
| <b>Satisfied</b>                   | <b>336</b><br><b>29%</b>   | <b>173</b><br><b>31%</b>  | <b>163</b><br><b>27%</b>  | <b>48</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>49</b><br><b>27%</b>   | <b>60</b><br><b>28%</b>   | <b>49</b><br><b>26%</b>   | <b>48</b><br><b>28%</b>   | <b>40</b><br><b>34%</b>   | <b>42</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>98</b><br><b>27%</b>  | <b>108</b><br><b>27%</b>  | <b>130</b><br><b>33%</b>  | <b>107</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>100</b><br><b>30%</b>  | <b>56</b><br><b>23%</b>   | <b>73</b><br><b>27%</b>   | <b>207</b><br><b>32%</b>  | <b>129</b><br><b>25%</b>   | <b>110</b><br><b>28%</b>  | <b>123</b><br><b>30%</b>  | <b>103</b><br><b>29%</b>  | <b>92</b><br><b>30%</b>  | <b>188</b><br><b>28%</b>       | <b>56</b><br><b>33%</b>  | <b>349</b><br><b>30%</b>   |
| <b>Dissatisfied</b>                | <b>515</b><br><b>45%</b>   | <b>260</b><br><b>46%</b>  | <b>255</b><br><b>43%</b>  | <b>56</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>69</b><br><b>37%</b>   | <b>108</b><br><b>50%</b>  | <b>95</b><br><b>51%</b>   | <b>83</b><br><b>49%</b>   | <b>53</b><br><b>45%</b>   | <b>51</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>125</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>203</b><br><b>51%</b>  | <b>187</b><br><b>47%</b>  | <b>128</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>150</b><br><b>45%</b>  | <b>117</b><br><b>48%</b>  | <b>120</b><br><b>44%</b>  | <b>278</b><br><b>43%</b>  | <b>237</b><br><b>46%</b>   | <b>181</b><br><b>47%</b>  | <b>166</b><br><b>40%</b>  | <b>168</b><br><b>47%</b>  | <b>112</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>334</b><br><b>49%</b>       | <b>69</b><br><b>41%</b>  | <b>502</b><br><b>43%</b>   |
| <b>Net satisfied</b>               | <b>-179</b><br><b>-15%</b> | <b>-87</b><br><b>-15%</b> | <b>-92</b><br><b>-15%</b> | <b>-8</b><br><b>-5%</b> | <b>-19</b><br><b>-11%</b> | <b>-49</b><br><b>-23%</b> | <b>-46</b><br><b>-25%</b> | <b>-35</b><br><b>-21%</b> | <b>-12</b><br><b>-11%</b> | <b>-9</b><br><b>-8%</b> | <b>-27</b><br><b>-8%</b> | <b>-95</b><br><b>-24%</b> | <b>-57</b><br><b>-14%</b> | <b>-21</b><br><b>-7%</b> | <b>-49</b><br><b>-15%</b> | <b>-61</b><br><b>-25%</b> | <b>-48</b><br><b>-17%</b> | <b>-71</b><br><b>-11%</b> | <b>-108</b><br><b>-21%</b> | <b>-71</b><br><b>-18%</b> | <b>-43</b><br><b>-11%</b> | <b>-65</b><br><b>-18%</b> | <b>-20</b><br><b>-7%</b> | <b>-145</b><br><b>-21%</b>     | <b>-13</b><br><b>-8%</b> | <b>-153</b><br><b>-13%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 162

### Q.16 Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way MPs in general are doing their job?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Working status |             |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education                |                   |                                |                  | Ethnicity  |             | GO Region  |            |           |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           | Unwtd total |            |             |
|------------------------------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|                                    | Full time      | Part time   | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/ CSE/ NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/ Masters /PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME         | South East | Eastern    | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland   |             |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156           | 425         | 109         | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548                      | 318               | 183                            | 258              | 274        | 1007        | 146        | 116        | 102       | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68        | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | 1156           | 520         | 109         | 527                   | 372        | 287                  | 253        | 423        | 522                      | 320               | 213                            | 287              | 219        | 1054        | 100        | 162        | 110       | 147        | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101        | 134        | 51        | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b>  | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b> | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b>               | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                     | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b> | <b>703</b>  | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b>  | <b>72</b> | <b>86</b>  | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b> | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| Very satisfied                     | 8              | 1           | *           | 7                     | 1          | 3                    | -          | 4          | 4                        | *                 | 1                              | *                | 5          | 5           | 3          | -          | 1         | 1          | 1             | 2             | -                        | -          | 2          | -         | -           | 1          | 11          |
|                                    | 1%             | *           | *           | 1%                    | *          | 1%                   | -          | 1%         | 1%                       | *                 | *                              | *                | 2%         | 1%          | 3%         | -          | 1%        | 1%         | 1%            | 2%            | -                        | -          | 1%         | -         | -           | 1%         | 1%          |
| Fairly satisfied                   | 328            | 135         | 31          | 161                   | 87         | 84                   | 94         | 106        | 143                      | 81                | 64                             | 103              | 54         | 284         | 43         | 46         | 41        | 43         | 32            | 27            | 22                       | 23         | 45         | 11        | 11          | 29         | 338         |
|                                    | 28%            | 26%         | 28%         | 31%                   | 24%        | 29%                  | 37%        | 25%        | 28%                      | 25%               | 30%                            | 36%              | 24%        | 27%         | 43%        | 28%        | 37%       | 29%        | 31%           | 26%           | 25%                      | 22%        | 34%        | 22%       | 18%         | 28%        | 29%         |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 274            | 114         | 40          | 120                   | 86         | 82                   | 52         | 106        | 126                      | 77                | 61                             | 77               | 35         | 250         | 22         | 46         | 25        | 39         | 25            | 28            | 16                       | 17         | 24         | 20        | 7           | 26         | 267         |
|                                    | 24%            | 22%         | 37%         | 23%                   | 23%        | 29%                  | 21%        | 25%        | 24%                      | 24%               | 28%                            | 27%              | 16%        | 24%         | 22%        | 29%        | 22%       | 27%        | 25%           | 27%           | 18%                      | 17%        | 18%        | 40%       | 13%         | 26%        | 23%         |
| Fairly dissatisfied                | 351            | 190         | 29          | 133                   | 125        | 84                   | 87         | 134        | 142                      | 97                | 63                             | 84               | 60         | 331         | 20         | 54         | 27        | 45         | 27            | 25            | 36                       | 34         | 39         | 13        | 21          | 31         | 323         |
|                                    | 30%            | 36%         | 26%         | 25%                   | 34%        | 29%                  | 35%        | 32%        | 27%                      | 30%               | 30%                            | 29%              | 27%        | 31%         | 20%        | 33%        | 24%       | 31%        | 26%           | 24%           | 41%                      | 34%        | 29%        | 25%       | 36%         | 31%        | 28%         |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 164            | 74          | 7           | 83                    | 55         | 31                   | 15         | 64         | 87                       | 58                | 20                             | 16               | 50         | 160         | 4          | 15         | 13        | 8          | 17            | 20            | 9                        | 24         | 23         | 5         | 17          | 12         | 179         |
|                                    | 14%            | 14%         | 7%          | 16%                   | 15%        | 11%                  | 6%         | 15%        | 17%                      | 18%               | 9%                             | 6%               | 23%        | 15%         | 4%         | 9%         | 12%       | 6%         | 17%           | 19%           | 10%                      | 24%        | 17%        | 11%       | 30%         | 12%        | 15%         |
| Don't know                         | 32             | 6           | 2           | 23                    | 17         | 3                    | 4          | 9          | 19                       | 7                 | 4                              | 6                | 15         | 23          | 8          | 1          | 4         | 10         | *             | 2             | 5                        | 3          | 1          | 2         | 2           | 3          | 38          |
|                                    | 3%             | 1%          | 2%          | 4%                    | 5%         | 1%                   | 2%         | 2%         | 4%                       | 2%                | 2%                             | 2%               | 7%         | 2%          | 8%         | *          | 3%        | 7%         | *             | 2%            | 5%                       | 3%         | 1%         | 3%        | 3%          | 3%         | 3%          |
| <b>Satisfied</b>                   | <b>336</b>     | <b>136</b>  | <b>31</b>   | <b>168</b>            | <b>89</b>  | <b>87</b>            | <b>94</b>  | <b>109</b> | <b>148</b>               | <b>81</b>         | <b>65</b>                      | <b>104</b>       | <b>59</b>  | <b>290</b>  | <b>46</b>  | <b>46</b>  | <b>42</b> | <b>44</b>  | <b>33</b>     | <b>29</b>     | <b>22</b>                | <b>23</b>  | <b>47</b>  | <b>11</b> | <b>11</b>   | <b>30</b>  | <b>349</b>  |
|                                    | 29%            | 26%         | 29%         | 32%                   | 24%        | 30%                  | 37%        | 26%        | 28%                      | 25%               | 31%                            | 36%              | 27%        | 27%         | 45%        | 28%        | 38%       | 30%        | 32%           | 28%           | 25%                      | 22%        | 35%        | 22%       | 18%         | 29%        | 30%         |
| <b>Dissatisfied</b>                | <b>515</b>     | <b>263</b>  | <b>36</b>   | <b>216</b>            | <b>181</b> | <b>115</b>           | <b>102</b> | <b>198</b> | <b>229</b>               | <b>155</b>        | <b>83</b>                      | <b>100</b>       | <b>110</b> | <b>491</b>  | <b>24</b>  | <b>69</b>  | <b>40</b> | <b>53</b>  | <b>44</b>     | <b>45</b>     | <b>44</b>                | <b>58</b>  | <b>62</b>  | <b>18</b> | <b>38</b>   | <b>43</b>  | <b>502</b>  |
|                                    | 45%            | 51%         | 33%         | 41%                   | 49%        | 40%                  | 40%        | 47%        | 44%                      | 49%               | 39%                            | 35%              | 50%        | 47%         | 24%        | 43%        | 36%       | 36%        | 43%           | 43%           | 51%                      | 57%        | 46%        | 36%       | 66%         | 42%        | 43%         |
| <b>Net satisfied</b>               | <b>-179</b>    | <b>-127</b> | <b>-4</b>   | <b>-48</b>            | <b>-92</b> | <b>-28</b>           | <b>-9</b>  | <b>-89</b> | <b>-81</b>               | <b>-74</b>        | <b>-18</b>                     | <b>4</b>         | <b>-51</b> | <b>-201</b> | <b>22</b>  | <b>-23</b> | <b>2</b>  | <b>-9</b>  | <b>-11</b>    | <b>-16</b>    | <b>-23</b>               | <b>-35</b> | <b>-15</b> | <b>-7</b> | <b>-28</b>  | <b>-13</b> | <b>-153</b> |
|                                    | -15%           | -24%        | -4%         | -9%                   | -25%       | -10%                 | -3%        | -21%       | -16%                     | -23%              | -8%                            | 1%               | -23%       | -19%        | 22%        | -14%       | 2%        | -6%        | -11%          | -16%          | -26%                     | -35%       | -11%       | -14%      | -48%        | -13%       | -13%        |

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Table 163

### Q.16 Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way MPs in general are doing their job?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Urbanity            |                    |                    | Interest in politics |                   | Likelihood to vote  |                    | Political activism |                  | Opinion on present system |                   | Knew local MP       |                    | Unwtd total         |                     |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
|                                    | Total               | Urban              | Rural              | Mixed                | Interested        | Not interested      | Certain to         | Certain not to     | Activist         | Non-activist              | Works well        | Needs improvement   | Yes                |                     | No                  |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156                | 773                | 145                | 238                  | 580               | 569                 | 627                | 143                | 160              | 996                       | 327               | 783                 | 495                | 661                 | 1156                |
| Weighted total                     | 1156                | 784                | 136                | 235                  | 611               | 539                 | 619                | 140                | 180              | 976                       | 322               | 793                 | 511                | 645                 | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>          | <b>535</b>         | <b>97</b>          | <b>170</b>           | <b>404</b>        | <b>394</b>          | <b>430</b>         | <b>96</b>          | <b>118</b>       | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b>        | <b>543</b>          | <b>339</b>         | <b>464</b>          | <b>1156</b>         |
| Very satisfied                     | 8<br>1%             | 7<br>1%            | 1<br>1%            | *<br>*               | 5<br>1%           | 3<br>1%             | 2<br>*             | -<br>-             | 1<br>1%          | 7<br>1%                   | 3<br>1%           | 3<br>*              | 5<br>1%            | 3<br>1%             | 11<br>1%            |
| Fairly satisfied                   | 328<br>28%          | 232<br>30%         | 32<br>23%          | 64<br>27%            | 214<br>35%        | 110<br>20%          | 209<br>34%         | 19<br>13%          | 61<br>34%        | 267<br>27%                | 148<br>46%        | 176<br>22%          | 170<br>33%         | 158<br>25%          | 338<br>29%          |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 274<br>24%          | 193<br>25%         | 34<br>25%          | 46<br>20%            | 132<br>22%        | 140<br>26%          | 120<br>19%         | 38<br>27%          | 49<br>27%        | 225<br>23%                | 82<br>26%         | 176<br>22%          | 92<br>18%          | 182<br>28%          | 267<br>23%          |
| Fairly dissatisfied                | 351<br>30%          | 233<br>30%         | 39<br>28%          | 79<br>34%            | 175<br>29%        | 175<br>33%          | 189<br>31%         | 37<br>26%          | 50<br>28%        | 301<br>31%                | 73<br>23%         | 270<br>34%          | 174<br>34%         | 177<br>27%          | 323<br>28%          |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 164<br>14%          | 91<br>12%          | 28<br>21%          | 44<br>19%            | 72<br>12%         | 91<br>17%           | 86<br>14%          | 37<br>27%          | 19<br>11%        | 145<br>15%                | 6<br>2%           | 157<br>20%          | 64<br>12%          | 100<br>16%          | 179<br>15%          |
| Don't know                         | 32<br>3%            | 29<br>4%           | 2<br>2%            | *<br>*               | 13<br>2%          | 19<br>4%            | 12<br>2%           | 9<br>6%            | -<br>-           | 32<br>3%                  | 10<br>3%          | 11<br>1%            | 7<br>1%            | 25<br>4%            | 38<br>3%            |
| <b>Satisfied</b>                   | <b>336</b><br>29%   | <b>238</b><br>30%  | <b>33</b><br>24%   | <b>65</b><br>28%     | <b>219</b><br>36% | <b>113</b><br>21%   | <b>212</b><br>34%  | <b>19</b><br>13%   | <b>62</b><br>34% | <b>274</b><br>28%         | <b>150</b><br>47% | <b>179</b><br>23%   | <b>174</b><br>34%  | <b>162</b><br>25%   | <b>349</b><br>30%   |
| <b>Dissatisfied</b>                | <b>515</b><br>45%   | <b>324</b><br>41%  | <b>67</b><br>49%   | <b>124</b><br>53%    | <b>247</b><br>40% | <b>266</b><br>49%   | <b>275</b><br>44%  | <b>74</b><br>53%   | <b>69</b><br>38% | <b>446</b><br>46%         | <b>79</b><br>25%  | <b>427</b><br>54%   | <b>238</b><br>47%  | <b>277</b><br>43%   | <b>502</b><br>43%   |
| <b>Net satisfied</b>               | <b>-179</b><br>-15% | <b>-86</b><br>-11% | <b>-34</b><br>-25% | <b>-59</b><br>-25%   | <b>-28</b><br>-5% | <b>-153</b><br>-28% | <b>-63</b><br>-10% | <b>-56</b><br>-40% | <b>-7</b><br>-4% | <b>-172</b><br>-18%       | <b>71</b><br>22%  | <b>-248</b><br>-31% | <b>-64</b><br>-12% | <b>-115</b><br>-18% | <b>-153</b><br>-13% |

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Table 164

### Q.16 Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way MPs in general are doing their job?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Quiz score  |            |             | Satisfaction with local MP |            | Satisfaction with general MPs in general |            | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |              | Unwtd total |                     |
|------------------------------------|-------------|------------|-------------|----------------------------|------------|--|------------|--|------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
|                                    | Total       | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6  | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                             | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                           | Agree      | Disagree        | Use internet |             | Do not use internet |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156        | 210        | 463         | 483                        | 459        | 183                                      | 349        | 502                                    | 438        | 450             | 762          | 394         | 1156                |
| Weighted total                     | 1156        | 187        | 470         | 499                        | 444        | 190                                      | 336        | 515                                    | 427        | 474             | 826          | 330         | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>  | <b>150</b> | <b>310</b>  | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b> | <b>135</b>                               | <b>264</b> | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b> | <b>302</b>      | <b>540</b>   | <b>269</b>  | <b>1156</b>         |
| Very satisfied                     | 8           | 2          | 3           | 2                          | 8          | -  | 8          | -                                      | 1          | 3               | 2            | 6           | 11                  |
|                                    | 1%          | 1%         | 1%          | *                          | 2%         | -  | 2%         | -                                      | *          | 1%              | *            | 2%          | 1%                  |
| Fairly satisfied                   | 328         | 49         | 111         | 168                        | 216        | 24                                       | 328        | -                                      | 170        | 95              | 230          | 97          | 338                 |
|                                    | 28%         | 26%        | 24%         | 34%                        | 49%        | 12%                                      | 98%        | -                                      | 40%        | 20%             | 28%          | 30%         | 29%                 |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 274         | 55         | 104         | 115                        | 74         | 27                                       | -          | -                                      | 112        | 90              | 216          | 58          | 267                 |
|                                    | 24%         | 29%        | 22%         | 23%                        | 17%        | 14%                                      | -          | -                                      | 26%        | 19%             | 26%          | 17%         | 23%                 |
| Fairly dissatisfied                | 351         | 33         | 163         | 155                        | 116        | 72                                       | -          | 351                                    | 85         | 193             | 256          | 95          | 323                 |
|                                    | 30%         | 18%        | 35%         | 31%                        | 26%        | 38%                                      | -          | 68%                                    | 20%        | 41%             | 31%          | 29%         | 28%                 |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 164         | 24         | 83          | 56                         | 26         | 66                                       | -          | 164                                    | 55         | 85              | 103          | 61          | 179                 |
|                                    | 14%         | 13%        | 18%         | 11%                        | 6%         | 35%                                      | -          | 32%                                    | 13%        | 18%             | 12%          | 19%         | 15%                 |
| Don't know                         | 32          | 24         | 5           | 3                          | 3          | 1  | -          | -                                      | 5          | 9               | 19           | 12          | 38                  |
|                                    | 3%          | 13%        | 1%          | 1%                         | 1%         | 1%                                       | -          | -                                      | 1%         | 2%              | 2%           | 4%          | 3%                  |
| <b>Satisfied</b>                   | <b>336</b>  | <b>52</b>  | <b>114</b>  | <b>170</b>                 | <b>224</b> | <b>24</b>                                | <b>336</b> | <b>-</b>                               | <b>170</b> | <b>98</b>       | <b>232</b>   | <b>104</b>  | <b>349</b>          |
|                                    | 29%         | 28%        | 24%         | 34%                        | 51%        | 12%                                      | 100%       | -                                      | 40%        | 21%             | 28%          | 31%         | 30%                 |
| <b>Dissatisfied</b>                | <b>515</b>  | <b>57</b>  | <b>246</b>  | <b>211</b>                 | <b>143</b> | <b>138</b>                               | <b>-</b>   | <b>515</b>                             | <b>140</b> | <b>278</b>      | <b>359</b>   | <b>156</b>  | <b>502</b>          |
|                                    | 45%         | 30%        | 52%         | 42%                        | 32%        | 73%                                      | -          | 100%                                   | 33%        | 59%             | 43%          | 47%         | 43%                 |
| <b>Net satisfied</b>               | <b>-179</b> | <b>-5</b>  | <b>-132</b> | <b>-41</b>                 | <b>82</b>  | <b>-115</b>                              | <b>336</b> | <b>-515</b>                            | <b>31</b>  | <b>-180</b>     | <b>-126</b>  | <b>-52</b>  | <b>-153</b>         |
|                                    | -15%        | -3%        | -28%        | -8%                        | 18%        | -60%                                     | 100%       | -100%                                  | 7%         | -38%            | -15%         | -16%        | -13%                |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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### Q.16 Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way MPs in general are doing their job?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |                    | Segment               |                    |                       |                    |                       |                  |                        |                    | Unwtd total        |                     |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|------------------|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
|                                    | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%)        | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics    | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic  | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile  |                    |                     |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156                  | 163                      | 351                     | 386                | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146                | 228                   | 62               | 93                     | 287                | 102                | 1156                |
| Weighted total                     | 1156                  | 175                      | 373                     | 396                | 387                   | 116                | 157                   | 159                | 191                   | 66               | 92                     | 277                | 99                 | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>            | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>              | <b>263</b>         | <b>290</b>            | <b>72</b>          | <b>101</b>            | <b>92</b>          | <b>160</b>            | <b>49</b>        | <b>66</b>              | <b>209</b>         | <b>63</b>          | <b>1156</b>         |
| Very satisfied                     | 8<br>1%               | 2<br>1%                  | 3<br>1%                 | 1<br>*             | 3<br>1%               | -                  | 1<br>1%               | -                  | 4<br>2%               | -                | -                      | 3<br>1%            | -                  | 11<br>1%            |
| Fairly satisfied                   | 328<br>28%            | 50<br>29%                | 104<br>28%              | 117<br>29%         | 107<br>28%            | 52<br>45%          | 51<br>33%             | 37<br>23%          | 49<br>25%             | 28<br>42%        | 40<br>44%              | 65<br>23%          | 6<br>7%            | 338<br>29%          |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 274<br>24%            | 57<br>33%                | 103<br>28%              | 85<br>21%          | 86<br>22%             | 23<br>20%          | 44<br>28%             | 30<br>19%          | 32<br>17%             | 14<br>21%        | 15<br>16%              | 95<br>34%          | 22<br>22%          | 267<br>23%          |
| Fairly dissatisfied                | 351<br>30%            | 48<br>27%                | 113<br>30%              | 116<br>29%         | 122<br>32%            | 34<br>30%          | 48<br>31%             | 56<br>35%          | 68<br>36%             | 20<br>30%        | 28<br>31%              | 74<br>27%          | 22<br>22%          | 323<br>28%          |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 164<br>14%            | 15<br>8%                 | 43<br>12%               | 70<br>18%          | 50<br>13%             | 6<br>6%            | 11<br>7%              | 37<br>23%          | 27<br>14%             | 3<br>4%          | 8<br>8%                | 32<br>12%          | 40<br>41%          | 179<br>15%          |
| Don't know                         | 32<br>3%              | 3<br>2%                  | 6<br>2%                 | 8<br>2%            | 18<br>5%              | -                  | 1<br>1%               | -                  | 11<br>6%              | 2<br>3%          | 1<br>1%                | 8<br>3%            | 8<br>8%            | 38<br>3%            |
| <b>Satisfied</b>                   | <b>336</b><br>29%     | <b>52</b><br>30%         | <b>108</b><br>29%       | <b>118</b><br>30%  | <b>110</b><br>29%     | <b>52</b><br>45%   | <b>52</b><br>34%      | <b>37</b><br>23%   | <b>53</b><br>28%      | <b>28</b><br>42% | <b>40</b><br>44%       | <b>67</b><br>24%   | <b>6</b><br>7%     | <b>349</b><br>30%   |
| <b>Dissatisfied</b>                | <b>515</b><br>45%     | <b>62</b><br>36%         | <b>156</b><br>42%       | <b>186</b><br>47%  | <b>172</b><br>45%     | <b>41</b><br>35%   | <b>59</b><br>38%      | <b>93</b><br>58%   | <b>95</b><br>50%      | <b>23</b><br>34% | <b>36</b><br>39%       | <b>107</b><br>38%  | <b>62</b><br>63%   | <b>502</b><br>43%   |
| <b>Net satisfied</b>               | <b>-179</b><br>-15%   | <b>-10</b><br>-6%        | <b>-49</b><br>-13%      | <b>-68</b><br>-17% | <b>-62</b><br>-16%    | <b>11</b><br>10%   | <b>-7</b><br>-4%      | <b>-56</b><br>-35% | <b>-43</b><br>-22%    | <b>5</b><br>8%   | <b>4</b><br>5%         | <b>-39</b><br>-14% | <b>-55</b><br>-56% | <b>-153</b><br>-13% |

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### Q.17 Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way your MP, <NAME> is doing his/her job?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Gender     |            | Age        |           |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                    | Male       | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34     | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34      | 35-54      | 55+        | AB           | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands  | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156       | 552        | 604        | 138       | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135        | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | 1156       | 561        | 595        | 173       | 183        | 216        | 186        | 169        | 117        | 111        | 356        | 402        | 398          | 310        | 333        | 241        | 272        | 642        | 514        | 387        | 411        | 358            | 306                   | 681                            | 169         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b> | <b>391</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>98</b> | <b>145</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b>  | <b>236</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>222</b> | <b>401</b> | <b>413</b> | <b>312</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| Very satisfied                     | 97         | 39         | 58         | 9         | 9          | 14         | 10         | 20         | 13         | 22         | 19         | 23         | 55           | 41         | 21         | 13         | 22         | 62         | 35         | 15         | 52         | 30             | 17                    | 55                             | 25          | 91          |
|                                    | 8%         | 7%         | 10%        | 5%        | 5%         | 6%         | 5%         | 12%        | 11%        | 20%        | 5%         | 6%         | 14%          | 13%        | 6%         | 5%         | 8%         | 10%        | 7%         | 4%         | 13%        | 8%             | 6%                    | 8%                             | 15%         | 8%          |
| Fairly satisfied                   | 347        | 162        | 184        | 39        | 43         | 58         | 62         | 52         | 45         | 48         | 82         | 119        | 145          | 89         | 109        | 77         | 73         | 197        | 149        | 109        | 143        | 96             | 76                    | 212                            | 58          | 368         |
|                                    | 30%        | 29%        | 31%        | 23%       | 23%        | 27%        | 33%        | 31%        | 39%        | 43%        | 23%        | 30%        | 36%          | 29%        | 33%        | 32%        | 27%        | 31%        | 29%        | 28%        | 35%        | 27%            | 25%                   | 31%                            | 34%         | 32%         |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 309        | 149        | 160        | 67        | 52         | 75         | 41         | 41         | 19         | 15         | 119        | 116        | 75           | 90         | 91         | 60         | 69         | 181        | 129        | 103        | 101        | 106            | 89                    | 182                            | 38          | 297         |
|                                    | 27%        | 27%        | 27%        | 39%       | 28%        | 35%        | 22%        | 24%        | 16%        | 14%        | 33%        | 29%        | 19%          | 29%        | 27%        | 25%        | 25%        | 28%        | 25%        | 27%        | 25%        | 30%            | 29%                   | 27%                            | 23%         | 26%         |
| Fairly dissatisfied                | 109        | 68         | 40         | 11        | 18         | 21         | 15         | 21         | 16         | 7          | 29         | 36         | 44           | 23         | 32         | 23         | 30         | 55         | 54         | 36         | 38         | 35             | 34                    | 60                             | 15          | 103         |
|                                    | 9%         | 12%        | 7%         | 7%        | 10%        | 10%        | 8%         | 12%        | 14%        | 6%         | 8%         | 9%         | 11%          | 7%         | 10%        | 10%        | 11%        | 9%         | 10%        | 9%         | 9%         | 10%            | 11%                   | 9%                             | 9%          | 9%          |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 81         | 43         | 39         | 9         | 12         | 17         | 22         | 7          | 10         | 4          | 21         | 39         | 22           | 20         | 19         | 17         | 25         | 39         | 42         | 38         | 15         | 28             | 20                    | 56                             | 5           | 80          |
|                                    | 7%         | 8%         | 6%         | 5%        | 7%         | 8%         | 12%        | 4%         | 9%         | 4%         | 6%         | 10%        | 5%           | 7%         | 6%         | 7%         | 9%         | 6%         | 8%         | 10%        | 4%         | 8%             | 6%                    | 8%                             | 3%          | 7%          |
| Don't know                         | 213        | 100        | 113        | 37        | 50         | 32         | 36         | 29         | 13         | 16         | 87         | 68         | 58           | 46         | 61         | 52         | 54         | 107        | 106        | 86         | 62         | 64             | 70                    | 116                            | 27          | 217         |
|                                    | 18%        | 18%        | 19%        | 22%       | 27%        | 15%        | 19%        | 17%        | 11%        | 14%        | 24%        | 17%        | 14%          | 15%        | 18%        | 22%        | 20%        | 17%        | 21%        | 22%        | 15%        | 18%            | 23%                   | 17%                            | 16%         | 19%         |
| <b>Satisfied</b>                   | <b>444</b> | <b>202</b> | <b>242</b> | <b>49</b> | <b>52</b>  | <b>71</b>  | <b>72</b>  | <b>58</b>  | <b>69</b>  | <b>101</b> | <b>143</b> | <b>200</b> | <b>130</b>   | <b>129</b> | <b>89</b>  | <b>95</b>  | <b>260</b> | <b>184</b> | <b>124</b> | <b>194</b> | <b>125</b> | <b>94</b>      | <b>267</b>            | <b>83</b>                      | <b>459</b>  |             |
|                                    | 38%        | 36%        | 41%        | 28%       | 28%        | 33%        | 39%        | 43%        | 50%        | 62%        | 28%        | 36%        | 50%          | 42%        | 39%        | 37%        | 35%        | 40%        | 36%        | 32%        | 47%        | 35%            | 31%                   | 39%                            | 49%         | 40%         |
| <b>Dissatisfied</b>                | <b>190</b> | <b>111</b> | <b>79</b>  | <b>20</b> | <b>30</b>  | <b>37</b>  | <b>37</b>  | <b>28</b>  | <b>26</b>  | <b>11</b>  | <b>50</b>  | <b>75</b>  | <b>65</b>    | <b>43</b>  | <b>51</b>  | <b>40</b>  | <b>55</b>  | <b>94</b>  | <b>95</b>  | <b>74</b>  | <b>53</b>  | <b>63</b>      | <b>53</b>             | <b>116</b>                     | <b>20</b>   | <b>183</b>  |
|                                    | 16%        | 20%        | 13%        | 12%       | 16%        | 17%        | 20%        | 16%        | 23%        | 10%        | 14%        | 19%        | 16%          | 14%        | 15%        | 17%        | 20%        | 15%        | 19%        | 19%        | 13%        | 18%            | 17%                   | 17%                            | 12%         | 16%         |
| <b>Net satisfied</b>               | <b>254</b> | <b>91</b>  | <b>163</b> | <b>29</b> | <b>23</b>  | <b>34</b>  | <b>34</b>  | <b>44</b>  | <b>32</b>  | <b>58</b>  | <b>51</b>  | <b>68</b>  | <b>135</b>   | <b>87</b>  | <b>78</b>  | <b>49</b>  | <b>39</b>  | <b>165</b> | <b>89</b>  | <b>50</b>  | <b>141</b> | <b>62</b>      | <b>40</b>             | <b>151</b>                     | <b>63</b>   | <b>276</b>  |
|                                    | 22%        | 16%        | 27%        | 17%       | 12%        | 16%        | 18%        | 26%        | 27%        | 52%        | 14%        | 17%        | 34%          | 28%        | 24%        | 20%        | 14%        | 26%        | 17%        | 13%        | 34%        | 17%            | 13%                   | 22%                            | 37%         | 24%         |

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Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education                |                   |                                |                  | Ethnicity  |            | GO Region  |           |           |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           | Unwtd total |            |             |
|------------------------------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|                                    | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/ CSE/ NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/ Masters /PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME        | South East | Eastern   | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland   |             |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156           | 425        | 109         | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548                      | 318               | 183                            | 258              | 274        | 1007       | 146        | 116       | 102       | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68        | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | 1156           | 520        | 109         | 527                   | 372        | 287                  | 253        | 423        | 522                      | 320               | 213                            | 287              | 219        | 1054       | 100        | 162       | 110       | 147        | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101        | 134        | 51        | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b> | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b>               | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                     | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b> | <b>703</b> | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b> | <b>72</b> | <b>86</b>  | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b> | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| Very satisfied                     | 97             | 30         | 5           | 62                    | 25         | 20                   | 38         | 35         | 27                       | 17                | 20                             | 30               | 19         | 88         | 9          | 22        | 15        | 20         | 9             | 7             | 4                        | 3          | 7          | 2         | 4           | 4          | 91          |
|                                    | 8%             | 6%         | 5%          | 12%                   | 7%         | 7%                   | 15%        | 8%         | 5%                       | 5%                | 9%                             | 10%              | 9%         | 8%         | 9%         | 14%       | 14%       | 14%        | 8%            | 7%            | 4%                       | 3%         | 5%         | 3%        | 6%          | 4%         | 8%          |
| Fairly satisfied                   | 347            | 136        | 35          | 175                   | 104        | 82                   | 91         | 125        | 142                      | 89                | 56                             | 91               | 76         | 308        | 37         | 58        | 29        | 39         | 45            | 32            | 19                       | 28         | 41         | 10        | 16          | 29         | 368         |
|                                    | 30%            | 26%        | 32%         | 33%                   | 28%        | 29%                  | 36%        | 30%        | 27%                      | 28%               | 26%                            | 32%              | 34%        | 29%        | 37%        | 36%       | 27%       | 27%        | 44%           | 30%           | 22%                      | 28%        | 31%        | 19%       | 27%         | 29%        | 32%         |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 309            | 159        | 34          | 117                   | 112        | 83                   | 63         | 108        | 147                      | 92                | 70                             | 78               | 44         | 286        | 24         | 37        | 27        | 37         | 27            | 29            | 39                       | 26         | 25         | 14        | 10          | 38         | 297         |
|                                    | 27%            | 31%        | 31%         | 22%                   | 30%        | 29%                  | 25%        | 26%        | 28%                      | 29%               | 33%                            | 27%              | 20%        | 27%        | 24%        | 23%       | 24%       | 25%        | 26%           | 28%           | 45%                      | 26%        | 18%        | 28%       | 18%         | 38%        | 26%         |
| Fairly dissatisfied                | 109            | 54         | 9           | 45                    | 26         | 32                   | 21         | 51         | 45                       | 28                | 13                             | 30               | 19         | 104        | 4          | 13        | 12        | 17         | 8             | 9             | 6                        | 9          | 16         | 4         | 9           | 6          | 103         |
|                                    | 9%             | 10%        | 8%          | 9%                    | 7%         | 11%                  | 8%         | 12%        | 9%                       | 9%                | 6%                             | 11%              | 9%         | 10%        | 4%         | 8%        | 11%       | 11%        | 8%            | 8%            | 7%                       | 9%         | 12%        | 8%        | 15%         | 6%         | 9%          |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 81             | 44         | 7           | 30                    | 35         | 19                   | 13         | 26         | 44                       | 34                | 9                              | 13               | 19         | 78         | 4          | -         | 7         | 13         | 2             | 9             | 5                        | 19         | 12         | 3         | 7           | 4          | 80          |
|                                    | 7%             | 9%         | 6%          | 6%                    | 9%         | 6%                   | 5%         | 6%         | 8%                       | 11%               | 4%                             | 5%               | 9%         | 7%         | 4%         | -         | 6%        | 9%         | 2%            | 9%            | 6%                       | 19%        | 9%         | 6%        | 13%         | 3%         | 7%          |
| Don't know                         | 213            | 96         | 19          | 98                    | 69         | 51                   | 28         | 77         | 116                      | 60                | 45                             | 45               | 41         | 191        | 22         | 31        | 19        | 20         | 12            | 19            | 14                       | 15         | 33         | 18        | 12          | 21         | 217         |
|                                    | 18%            | 18%        | 17%         | 19%                   | 19%        | 18%                  | 11%        | 18%        | 22%                      | 19%               | 21%                            | 16%              | 19%        | 18%        | 22%        | 19%       | 18%       | 14%        | 11%           | 18%           | 16%                      | 15%        | 24%        | 36%       | 21%         | 20%        | 19%         |
| <b>Satisfied</b>                   | <b>444</b>     | <b>166</b> | <b>40</b>   | <b>237</b>            | <b>129</b> | <b>102</b>           | <b>129</b> | <b>160</b> | <b>169</b>               | <b>106</b>        | <b>76</b>                      | <b>120</b>       | <b>95</b>  | <b>396</b> | <b>46</b>  | <b>81</b> | <b>45</b> | <b>60</b>  | <b>54</b>     | <b>39</b>     | <b>23</b>                | <b>31</b>  | <b>48</b>  | <b>11</b> | <b>19</b>   | <b>33</b>  | <b>459</b>  |
|                                    | 38%            | 32%        | 37%         | 45%                   | 35%        | 36%                  | 51%        | 38%        | 32%                      | 33%               | 36%                            | 42%              | 43%        | 38%        | 46%        | 50%       | 41%       | 41%        | 53%           | 37%           | 26%                      | 31%        | 36%        | 22%       | 33%         | 32%        | 40%         |
| <b>Dissatisfied</b>                | <b>190</b>     | <b>99</b>  | <b>16</b>   | <b>75</b>             | <b>61</b>  | <b>50</b>            | <b>33</b>  | <b>77</b>  | <b>89</b>                | <b>62</b>         | <b>22</b>                      | <b>43</b>        | <b>39</b>  | <b>182</b> | <b>8</b>   | <b>13</b> | <b>19</b> | <b>30</b>  | <b>10</b>     | <b>17</b>     | <b>11</b>                | <b>28</b>  | <b>28</b>  | <b>7</b>  | <b>16</b>   | <b>10</b>  | <b>183</b>  |
|                                    | 16%            | 19%        | 14%         | 14%                   | 16%        | 18%                  | 13%        | 18%        | 17%                      | 19%               | 10%                            | 15%              | 18%        | 17%        | 8%         | 8%        | 17%       | 20%        | 10%           | 17%           | 13%                      | 28%        | 21%        | 14%       | 28%         | 10%        | 16%         |
| <b>Net satisfied</b>               | <b>254</b>     | <b>67</b>  | <b>24</b>   | <b>162</b>            | <b>68</b>  | <b>52</b>            | <b>96</b>  | <b>83</b>  | <b>80</b>                | <b>44</b>         | <b>54</b>                      | <b>77</b>        | <b>56</b>  | <b>214</b> | <b>38</b>  | <b>67</b> | <b>26</b> | <b>30</b>  | <b>44</b>     | <b>21</b>     | <b>12</b>                | <b>3</b>   | <b>20</b>  | <b>4</b>  | <b>3</b>    | <b>23</b>  | <b>276</b>  |
|                                    | 22%            | 13%        | 22%         | 31%                   | 18%        | 18%                  | 38%        | 20%        | 15%                      | 14%               | 25%                            | 27%              | 26%        | 20%        | 38%        | 42%       | 24%       | 20%        | 43%           | 20%           | 14%                      | 3%         | 15%        | 8%        | 5%          | 23%        | 24%         |

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Table 168

### Q.17 Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way your MP, <NAME> is doing his/her job?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Urbanity                 |                          |                         | Interest in politics    |                          | Likelihood to vote       |                          | Political activism      |                         | Opinion on present system |                          | Knew local MP            |                          | Unwtd total              |                          |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                    | Total                    | Urban                    | Rural                   | Mixed                   | Interested               | Not interested           | Certain to               | Certain not to          | Activist                | Non-activist              | Works well               | Needs improvement        | Yes                      |                          | No                       |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156                     | 773                      | 145                     | 238                     | 580                      | 569                      | 627                      | 143                     | 160                     | 996                       | 327                      | 783                      | 495                      | 661                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total                     | 1156                     | 784                      | 136                     | 235                     | 611                      | 539                      | 619                      | 140                     | 180                     | 976                       | 322                      | 793                      | 511                      | 645                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b>               | <b>97</b>               | <b>170</b>              | <b>404</b>               | <b>394</b>               | <b>430</b>               | <b>96</b>               | <b>118</b>              | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b>               | <b>543</b>               | <b>339</b>               | <b>464</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Very satisfied                     | 97<br>8%                 | 69<br>9%                 | 8<br>6%                 | 19<br>8%                | 67<br>11%                | 29<br>5%                 | 70<br>11%                | 2<br>2%                 | 30<br>17%               | 67<br>7%                  | 33<br>10%                | 62<br>8%                 | 82<br>16%                | 15<br>2%                 | 91<br>8%                 |
| Fairly satisfied                   | 347<br>30%               | 232<br>30%               | 48<br>35%               | 67<br>29%               | 210<br>34%               | 135<br>25%               | 221<br>36%               | 22<br>16%               | 59<br>33%               | 288<br>29%                | 126<br>39%               | 214<br>27%               | 216<br>42%               | 131<br>20%               | 368<br>32%               |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 309<br>27%               | 214<br>27%               | 37<br>27%               | 59<br>25%               | 144<br>24%               | 164<br>30%               | 129<br>21%               | 38<br>27%               | 33<br>18%               | 276<br>28%                | 81<br>25%                | 216<br>27%               | 105<br>21%               | 204<br>32%               | 297<br>26%               |
| Fairly dissatisfied                | 109<br>9%                | 71<br>9%                 | 10<br>8%                | 27<br>12%               | 64<br>11%                | 44<br>8%                 | 62<br>10%                | 8<br>6%                 | 26<br>15%               | 83<br>8%                  | 16<br>5%                 | 90<br>11%                | 48<br>9%                 | 61<br>9%                 | 103<br>9%                |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 81<br>7%                 | 60<br>8%                 | 5<br>4%                 | 16<br>7%                | 32<br>5%                 | 47<br>9%                 | 44<br>7%                 | 21<br>15%               | 14<br>8%                | 67<br>7%                  | 8<br>2%                  | 70<br>9%                 | 34<br>7%                 | 47<br>7%                 | 80<br>7%                 |
| Don't know                         | 213<br>18%               | 139<br>18%               | 28<br>20%               | 46<br>20%               | 93<br>15%                | 120<br>22%               | 92<br>15%                | 47<br>34%               | 18<br>10%               | 195<br>20%                | 58<br>18%                | 142<br>18%               | 26<br>5%                 | 187<br>29%               | 217<br>19%               |
| <b>Satisfied</b>                   | <b>444</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>301</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>56</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>86</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>278</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>164</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>291</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>25</b><br><b>18%</b> | <b>89</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>355</b><br><b>36%</b>  | <b>159</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>276</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>298</b><br><b>58%</b> | <b>146</b><br><b>23%</b> | <b>459</b><br><b>40%</b> |
| <b>Dissatisfied</b>                | <b>190</b><br><b>16%</b> | <b>131</b><br><b>17%</b> | <b>16</b><br><b>12%</b> | <b>44</b><br><b>18%</b> | <b>96</b><br><b>16%</b>  | <b>91</b><br><b>17%</b>  | <b>106</b><br><b>17%</b> | <b>29</b><br><b>21%</b> | <b>40</b><br><b>22%</b> | <b>150</b><br><b>15%</b>  | <b>24</b><br><b>8%</b>   | <b>159</b><br><b>20%</b> | <b>82</b><br><b>16%</b>  | <b>108</b><br><b>17%</b> | <b>183</b><br><b>16%</b> |
| <b>Net satisfied</b>               | <b>254</b><br><b>22%</b> | <b>171</b><br><b>22%</b> | <b>40</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>43</b><br><b>18%</b> | <b>181</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>73</b><br><b>14%</b>  | <b>185</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>-4</b><br><b>-3%</b> | <b>48</b><br><b>27%</b> | <b>205</b><br><b>21%</b>  | <b>135</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>117</b><br><b>15%</b> | <b>216</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>38</b><br><b>6%</b>   | <b>276</b><br><b>24%</b> |

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Table 169

### Q.17 Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way your MP, <NAME> is doing his/her job?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Quiz score               |                         |                          | Satisfaction with local MP |                           | Satisfaction with general MPs in general |                          | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |                          | Use of internet          |                          | Unwtd total              |                          |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|--|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                    | Total                    | Scored 0-3              | Scored 4-6               | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied                 | Dissatisfied                             | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                           | Agree                    | Disagree                 | Use internet             |                          | Do not use internet      |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156                     | 210                     | 463                      | 483                        | 459                       | 183                                      | 349                      | 502                                    | 438                      | 450                      | 762                      | 394                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total                     | 1156                     | 187                     | 470                      | 499                        | 444                       | 190                                      | 336                      | 515                                    | 427                      | 474                      | 826                      | 330                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>               | <b>150</b>              | <b>310</b>               | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b>                | <b>135</b>                               | <b>264</b>               | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b>               | <b>302</b>               | <b>540</b>               | <b>269</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Very satisfied                     | 97<br>8%                 | 14<br>8%                | 21<br>4%                 | 62<br>12%                  | 97<br>22%                 | -  | 57<br>17%                | 23<br>4%                               | 47<br>11%                | 26<br>5%                 | 61<br>7%                 | 36<br>11%                | 91<br>8%                 |
| Fairly satisfied                   | 347<br>30%               | 40<br>21%               | 142<br>30%               | 165<br>33%                 | 347<br>78%                | -  | 167<br>50%               | 120<br>23%                             | 150<br>35%               | 122<br>26%               | 230<br>28%               | 117<br>35%               | 368<br>32%               |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 309<br>27%               | 45<br>24%               | 132<br>28%               | 132<br>26%                 | -                         | -  | 52<br>16%                | 131<br>25%                             | 99<br>23%                | 133<br>28%               | 236<br>29%               | 73<br>22%                | 297<br>26%               |
| Fairly dissatisfied                | 109<br>9%                | 12<br>6%                | 45<br>10%                | 52<br>10%                  | -                         | 109<br>57%                               | 13<br>4%                 | 71<br>14%                              | 42<br>10%                | 47<br>10%                | 86<br>10%                | 23<br>7%                 | 103<br>9%                |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 81<br>7%                 | 20<br>11%               | 37<br>8%                 | 24<br>5%                   | -                         | 81<br>43%                                | 11<br>3%                 | 67<br>13%                              | 28<br>7%                 | 46<br>10%                | 49<br>6%                 | 32<br>10%                | 80<br>7%                 |
| Don't know                         | 213<br>18%               | 56<br>30%               | 93<br>20%                | 64<br>13%                  | -                         | -  | 36<br>11%                | 103<br>20%                             | 61<br>14%                | 101<br>21%               | 165<br>20%               | 48<br>15%                | 217<br>19%               |
| <b>Satisfied</b>                   | <b>444</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>54</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>163</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>227</b><br><b>45%</b>   | <b>444</b><br><b>100%</b> | <b>-</b>                                 | <b>224</b><br><b>67%</b> | <b>143</b><br><b>28%</b>               | <b>197</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>148</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>291</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>153</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>459</b><br><b>40%</b> |
| <b>Dissatisfied</b>                | <b>190</b><br><b>16%</b> | <b>32</b><br><b>17%</b> | <b>82</b><br><b>17%</b>  | <b>76</b><br><b>15%</b>    | <b>-</b>                  | <b>190</b><br><b>100%</b>                | <b>24</b><br><b>7%</b>   | <b>138</b><br><b>27%</b>               | <b>71</b><br><b>17%</b>  | <b>93</b><br><b>20%</b>  | <b>135</b><br><b>16%</b> | <b>55</b><br><b>17%</b>  | <b>183</b><br><b>16%</b> |
| <b>Net satisfied</b>               | <b>254</b><br><b>22%</b> | <b>22</b><br><b>12%</b> | <b>81</b><br><b>17%</b>  | <b>151</b><br><b>30%</b>   | <b>444</b><br><b>100%</b> | <b>-190</b><br><b>-100%</b>              | <b>201</b><br><b>60%</b> | <b>5</b><br><b>1%</b>                  | <b>126</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>56</b><br><b>12%</b>  | <b>156</b><br><b>19%</b> | <b>98</b><br><b>30%</b>  | <b>276</b><br><b>24%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 170

**Q.17 Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way your MP, <NAME> is doing his/her job?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Seat marginality         |                         |                          |                          | Segment                  |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         | Unwtd total               |                          |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                    | Total                    | Less than 5% majority   | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%)  | Safe (>20%)              | Politically committed   | Active campaigners      | Interested bystanders   | Detached cynics         | Politically contented   | Bored/apathetic         | Disengaged/mistrustful  |                           | Alienated/hostile        |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156                     | 163                     | 351                      | 386                      | 419                      | 96                      | 142                     | 146                     | 228                     | 62                      | 93                      | 287                     | 102                       | 1156                     |
| Weighted total                     | 1156                     | 175                     | 373                      | 396                      | 387                      | 116                     | 157                     | 159                     | 191                     | 66                      | 92                      | 277                     | 99                        | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>               | <b>113</b>              | <b>251</b>               | <b>263</b>               | <b>290</b>               | <b>72</b>               | <b>101</b>              | <b>92</b>               | <b>160</b>              | <b>49</b>               | <b>66</b>               | <b>209</b>              | <b>63</b>                 | <b>1156</b>              |
| Very satisfied                     | 97<br>8%                 | 18<br>10%               | 40<br>11%                | 30<br>8%                 | 27<br>7%                 | 24<br>21%               | 20<br>13%               | 13<br>8%                | 15<br>8%                | 9<br>14%                | 8<br>9%                 | 7<br>3%                 | 1<br>1%                   | 91<br>8%                 |
| Fairly satisfied                   | 347<br>30%               | 57<br>32%               | 118<br>32%               | 110<br>28%               | 118<br>31%               | 36<br>31%               | 62<br>40%               | 54<br>34%               | 63<br>33%               | 19<br>29%               | 44<br>47%               | 64<br>23%               | 6<br>6%                   | 368<br>32%               |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 309<br>27%               | 49<br>28%               | 105<br>28%               | 97<br>25%                | 107<br>28%               | 25<br>21%               | 35<br>23%               | 54<br>34%               | 34<br>18%               | 20<br>30%               | 24<br>27%               | 97<br>35%               | 20<br>20%                 | 297<br>26%               |
| Fairly dissatisfied                | 109<br>9%                | 22<br>12%               | 37<br>10%                | 34<br>8%                 | 38<br>10%                | 20<br>17%               | 12<br>7%                | 14<br>9%                | 18<br>10%               | 2<br>3%                 | 5<br>5%                 | 33<br>12%               | 6<br>6%                   | 103<br>9%                |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 81<br>7%                 | 3<br>2%                 | 16<br>4%                 | 43<br>11%                | 22<br>6%                 | 7<br>6%                 | 10<br>6%                | 7<br>5%                 | 13<br>7%                | 1<br>1%                 | 5<br>6%                 | 13<br>5%                | 25<br>25%                 | 80<br>7%                 |
| Don't know                         | 213<br>18%               | 26<br>15%               | 56<br>15%                | 82<br>21%                | 75<br>19%                | 4<br>4%                 | 18<br>12%               | 18<br>11%               | 47<br>25%               | 16<br>24%               | 6<br>6%                 | 63<br>23%               | 41<br>42%                 | 217<br>19%               |
| <b>Satisfied</b>                   | <b>444</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>75</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>158</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>140</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>145</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>60</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>82</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>66</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>78</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>28</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>52</b><br><b>57%</b> | <b>71</b><br><b>25%</b> | <b>7</b><br><b>7%</b>     | <b>459</b><br><b>40%</b> |
| <b>Dissatisfied</b>                | <b>190</b><br><b>16%</b> | <b>25</b><br><b>14%</b> | <b>54</b><br><b>14%</b>  | <b>77</b><br><b>19%</b>  | <b>60</b><br><b>15%</b>  | <b>26</b><br><b>23%</b> | <b>21</b><br><b>14%</b> | <b>21</b><br><b>13%</b> | <b>32</b><br><b>16%</b> | <b>3</b><br><b>4%</b>   | <b>10</b><br><b>11%</b> | <b>47</b><br><b>17%</b> | <b>31</b><br><b>31%</b>   | <b>183</b><br><b>16%</b> |
| <b>Net satisfied</b>               | <b>254</b><br><b>22%</b> | <b>50</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>105</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>64</b><br><b>16%</b>  | <b>86</b><br><b>22%</b>  | <b>34</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>61</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>45</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>47</b><br><b>24%</b> | <b>25</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>42</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>24</b><br><b>9%</b>  | <b>-24</b><br><b>-24%</b> | <b>276</b><br><b>24%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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**Q.18 From this card, could you please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements:**

**- Politics is a waste of time -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Gender                     |                            | Age                        |                           |                           |                           |                            |                            |                           |                           |                            |                            | Social class               |                            |                            |                           |                           |                            | Region                     |                            |                            | Marital status             |                            |                                | Unwtd total               |                            |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
|                            | Male                       | Female                     | 18-24                      | 25-34                     | 35-44                     | 45-54                     | 55-64                      | 65-74                      | 75+                       | 18-34                     | 35-54                      | 55+                        | AB                         | C1                         | C2                         | DE                        | ABC1                      | C2DE                       | North                      | South                      | Mid lands                  | Single                     | Married /Co-hab iting      | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |                           |                            |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                       | 552                        | 604                        | 138                       | 207                       | 206                       | 141                        | 170                        | 159                       | 135                       | 345                        | 347                        | 464                        | 224                        | 353                        | 257                       | 322                       | 577                        | 579                        | 438                        | 339                        | 379                        | 290                        | 669                            | 197                       | 1156                       |
| Weighted total             | 1156                       | 561                        | 595                        | 173                       | 183                       | 216                       | 186                        | 169                        | 117                       | 111                       | 356                        | 402                        | 398                        | 310                        | 333                        | 241                       | 272                       | 642                        | 514                        | 387                        | 411                        | 358                        | 306                        | 681                            | 169                       | 1156                       |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>                 | <b>391</b>                 | <b>410</b>                 | <b>98</b>                 | <b>145</b>                | <b>149</b>                | <b>105</b>                 | <b>117</b>                 | <b>135</b>                | <b>87</b>                 | <b>236</b>                 | <b>252</b>                 | <b>323</b>                 | <b>161</b>                 | <b>256</b>                 | <b>191</b>                | <b>222</b>                | <b>401</b>                 | <b>413</b>                 | <b>312</b>                 | <b>250</b>                 | <b>251</b>                 | <b>203</b>                 | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>                | <b>1156</b>                |
| Strongly agree             | 70<br>6%                   | 34<br>6%                   | 35<br>6%                   | 24<br>14%                 | 12<br>6%                  | 14<br>6%                  | 11<br>6%                   | 5<br>3%                    | 4<br>3%                   | 1<br>1%                   | 36<br>10%                  | 25<br>6%                   | 9<br>2%                    | 5<br>1%                    | 8<br>2%                    | 17<br>7%                  | 40<br>15%                 | 13<br>2%                   | 57<br>11%                  | 27<br>7%                   | 11<br>3%                   | 32<br>9%                   | 26<br>8%                   | 40<br>6%                       | 5<br>3%                   | 66<br>6%                   |
| Tend to agree              | 168<br>15%                 | 90<br>16%                  | 78<br>13%                  | 34<br>20%                 | 23<br>12%                 | 34<br>16%                 | 21<br>11%                  | 22<br>13%                  | 17<br>14%                 | 18<br>16%                 | 57<br>16%                  | 55<br>14%                  | 57<br>14%                  | 31<br>10%                  | 47<br>14%                  | 40<br>16%                 | 51<br>19%                 | 77<br>12%                  | 91<br>18%                  | 64<br>17%                  | 51<br>13%                  | 53<br>15%                  | 54<br>18%                  | 91<br>13%                      | 23<br>14%                 | 188<br>16%                 |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 135<br>12%                 | 57<br>10%                  | 78<br>13%                  | 15<br>9%                  | 36<br>19%                 | 28<br>13%                 | 14<br>8%                   | 13<br>8%                   | 12<br>10%                 | 17<br>15%                 | 51<br>14%                  | 42<br>10%                  | 42<br>11%                  | 27<br>9%                   | 29<br>9%                   | 39<br>16%                 | 40<br>15%                 | 56<br>9%                   | 79<br>15%                  | 43<br>11%                  | 51<br>12%                  | 40<br>11%                  | 39<br>13%                  | 68<br>10%                      | 27<br>16%                 | 149<br>13%                 |
| Tend to disagree           | 472<br>41%                 | 223<br>40%                 | 249<br>42%                 | 66<br>38%                 | 71<br>39%                 | 92<br>43%                 | 87<br>47%                  | 67<br>40%                  | 45<br>38%                 | 44<br>40%                 | 137<br>38%                 | 179<br>45%                 | 156<br>39%                 | 126<br>41%                 | 145<br>43%                 | 97<br>40%                 | 105<br>39%                | 270<br>42%                 | 202<br>39%                 | 164<br>42%                 | 157<br>38%                 | 151<br>42%                 | 121<br>39%                 | 278<br>41%                     | 74<br>43%                 | 459<br>40%                 |
| Strongly disagree          | 294<br>25%                 | 152<br>27%                 | 142<br>24%                 | 32<br>19%                 | 38<br>21%                 | 45<br>21%                 | 52<br>28%                  | 62<br>36%                  | 40<br>34%                 | 25<br>22%                 | 70<br>20%                  | 98<br>24%                  | 127<br>32%                 | 122<br>39%                 | 98<br>29%                  | 44<br>18%                 | 30<br>11%                 | 220<br>34%                 | 75<br>15%                  | 84<br>22%                  | 132<br>32%                 | 78<br>22%                  | 63<br>21%                  | 194<br>29%                     | 37<br>22%                 | 273<br>24%                 |
| Don't know                 | 17<br>1%                   | 5<br>1%                    | 12<br>2%                   | 1<br>1%                   | 4<br>2%                   | 4<br>2%                   | -<br>-                     | -<br>-                     | *<br>*                    | 7<br>6%                   | 6<br>2%                    | 4<br>1%                    | 7<br>2%                    | -<br>-                     | 7<br>2%                    | 4<br>2%                   | 6<br>2%                   | 7<br>1%                    | 10<br>2%                   | 4<br>1%                    | 8<br>2%                    | 4<br>1%                    | 3<br>1%                    | 10<br>1%                       | 4<br>2%                   | 21<br>2%                   |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>238</b><br><b>21%</b>   | <b>125</b><br><b>22%</b>   | <b>114</b><br><b>19%</b>   | <b>58</b><br><b>34%</b>   | <b>34</b><br><b>19%</b>   | <b>47</b><br><b>22%</b>   | <b>32</b><br><b>17%</b>    | <b>27</b><br><b>16%</b>    | <b>20</b><br><b>17%</b>   | <b>19</b><br><b>17%</b>   | <b>93</b><br><b>26%</b>    | <b>79</b><br><b>20%</b>    | <b>66</b><br><b>17%</b>    | <b>35</b><br><b>11%</b>    | <b>55</b><br><b>16%</b>    | <b>57</b><br><b>24%</b>   | <b>91</b><br><b>33%</b>   | <b>90</b><br><b>14%</b>    | <b>148</b><br><b>29%</b>   | <b>91</b><br><b>24%</b>    | <b>62</b><br><b>15%</b>    | <b>85</b><br><b>24%</b>    | <b>80</b><br><b>26%</b>    | <b>131</b><br><b>19%</b>       | <b>28</b><br><b>16%</b>   | <b>254</b><br><b>22%</b>   |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>766</b><br><b>66%</b>   | <b>375</b><br><b>67%</b>   | <b>391</b><br><b>66%</b>   | <b>98</b><br><b>57%</b>   | <b>109</b><br><b>59%</b>  | <b>137</b><br><b>64%</b>  | <b>139</b><br><b>75%</b>   | <b>129</b><br><b>76%</b>   | <b>85</b><br><b>72%</b>   | <b>69</b><br><b>62%</b>   | <b>207</b><br><b>58%</b>   | <b>276</b><br><b>69%</b>   | <b>283</b><br><b>71%</b>   | <b>247</b><br><b>80%</b>   | <b>242</b><br><b>73%</b>   | <b>141</b><br><b>58%</b>  | <b>135</b><br><b>50%</b>  | <b>490</b><br><b>76%</b>   | <b>277</b><br><b>54%</b>   | <b>249</b><br><b>64%</b>   | <b>289</b><br><b>70%</b>   | <b>228</b><br><b>64%</b>   | <b>184</b><br><b>60%</b>   | <b>472</b><br><b>69%</b>       | <b>111</b><br><b>65%</b>  | <b>732</b><br><b>63%</b>   |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>-528</b><br><b>-46%</b> | <b>-251</b><br><b>-45%</b> | <b>-277</b><br><b>-47%</b> | <b>-40</b><br><b>-23%</b> | <b>-75</b><br><b>-41%</b> | <b>-90</b><br><b>-42%</b> | <b>-107</b><br><b>-58%</b> | <b>-102</b><br><b>-60%</b> | <b>-64</b><br><b>-55%</b> | <b>-50</b><br><b>-45%</b> | <b>-114</b><br><b>-32%</b> | <b>-197</b><br><b>-49%</b> | <b>-217</b><br><b>-54%</b> | <b>-212</b><br><b>-69%</b> | <b>-188</b><br><b>-56%</b> | <b>-84</b><br><b>-35%</b> | <b>-44</b><br><b>-16%</b> | <b>-400</b><br><b>-62%</b> | <b>-128</b><br><b>-25%</b> | <b>-158</b><br><b>-41%</b> | <b>-227</b><br><b>-55%</b> | <b>-143</b><br><b>-40%</b> | <b>-104</b><br><b>-34%</b> | <b>-342</b><br><b>-50%</b>     | <b>-83</b><br><b>-49%</b> | <b>-478</b><br><b>-41%</b> |

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Table 172

**Q.18 From this card, could you please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements:**

**- Politics is a waste of time -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Working status |             |             | Children in household |             | Newspaper readership |             |             | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity  |             | GO Region  |             |            |            |               |               |                          |            |            |            | Unwtd total |            |             |
|----------------------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|                            | Full time      | Part time   | Not working | Yes                   | No          | Quality              | Popular     | None        | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME         | South East | Eastern     | London     | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales      |             | Scotland   |             |
| Unweighted total           | 1156           | 425         | 109         | 622                   | 360         | 234                  | 201         | 445         | 548                    | 318               | 183                          | 258              | 274        | 1007        | 146        | 116         | 102        | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68         | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total             | 1156           | 520         | 109         | 527                   | 372         | 287                  | 253         | 423         | 522                    | 320               | 213                          | 287              | 219        | 1054        | 100        | 162         | 110        | 147        | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101        | 134        | 51         | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b>  | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b>  | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b>  | <b>313</b>  | <b>382</b>             | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b> | <b>703</b>  | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b>   | <b>72</b>  | <b>86</b>  | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b>  | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| Strongly agree             | 70<br>6%       | 29<br>6%    | 4<br>4%     | 36<br>7%              | 33<br>9%    | 20<br>7%             | 7<br>3%     | 25<br>6%    | 41<br>8%               | 38<br>12%         | 8<br>4%                      | 2<br>1%          | 14<br>6%   | 66<br>6%    | 4<br>4%    | 1<br>1%     | 14<br>13%  | 7<br>5%    | 2<br>2%       | 7<br>6%       | 3<br>4%                  | 6<br>6%    | 11<br>9%   | 3<br>6%    | 8<br>14%    | 7<br>7%    | 66<br>6%    |
| Tend to agree              | 168<br>15%     | 73<br>14%   | 11<br>10%   | 84<br>16%             | 48<br>13%   | 62<br>22%            | 14<br>5%    | 75<br>18%   | 82<br>16%              | 55<br>17%         | 33<br>15%                    | 24<br>8%         | 47<br>21%  | 143<br>14%  | 26<br>26%  | 19<br>12%   | 6<br>6%    | 22<br>15%  | 11<br>11%     | 22<br>21%     | 15<br>17%                | 16<br>16%  | 27<br>20%  | 6<br>12%   | 10<br>17%   | 15<br>15%  | 188<br>16%  |
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| Tend to disagree           | 472<br>41%     | 224<br>43%  | 48<br>44%   | 200<br>38%            | 167<br>45%  | 99<br>35%            | 111<br>44%  | 190<br>45%  | 196<br>38%             | 133<br>42%        | 87<br>41%                    | 110<br>38%       | 84<br>38%  | 435<br>41%  | 36<br>36%  | 73<br>45%   | 51<br>47%  | 47<br>32%  | 37<br>36%     | 36<br>35%     | 41<br>48%                | 37<br>37%  | 66<br>49%  | 21<br>42%  | 22<br>39%   | 41<br>40%  | 459<br>40%  |
| Strongly disagree          | 294<br>25%     | 134<br>26%  | 29<br>26%   | 132<br>25%            | 68<br>18%   | 74<br>26%            | 108<br>43%  | 75<br>18%   | 125<br>24%             | 57<br>18%         | 63<br>30%                    | 123<br>43%       | 27<br>12%  | 279<br>26%  | 16<br>15%  | 52<br>32%   | 23<br>21%  | 41<br>28%  | 40<br>39%     | 29<br>28%     | 16<br>18%                | 26<br>26%  | 16<br>12%  | 14<br>27%  | 10<br>18%   | 28<br>28%  | 273<br>24%  |
| Don't know                 | 17<br>1%       | 1<br>*      | 1<br>1%     | 15<br>3%              | 5<br>1%     | 2<br>1%              | *<br>*      | 6<br>1%     | 11<br>2%               | 4<br>1%           | 1<br>*                       | 1<br>1%          | 11<br>5%   | 11<br>1%    | 6<br>6%    | -<br>2%     | 2<br>6%    | 8<br>6%    | *<br>*        | 1<br>1%       | 1<br>1%                  | 3<br>3%    | -<br>*     | *<br>1%    | 1<br>1%     | 1<br>1%    | 21<br>2%    |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>238</b>     | <b>103</b>  | <b>16</b>   | <b>120</b>            | <b>81</b>   | <b>82</b>            | <b>20</b>   | <b>100</b>  | <b>122</b>             | <b>93</b>         | <b>41</b>                    | <b>27</b>        | <b>61</b>  | <b>209</b>  | <b>29</b>  | <b>20</b>   | <b>21</b>  | <b>29</b>  | <b>13</b>     | <b>29</b>     | <b>18</b>                | <b>22</b>  | <b>38</b>  | <b>9</b>   | <b>18</b>   | <b>22</b>  | <b>254</b>  |
|                            | 21%            | 20%         | 15%         | 23%                   | 22%         | 29%                  | 8%          | 24%         | 23%                    | 29%               | 19%                          | 9%               | 28%        | 20%         | 29%        | 13%         | 19%        | 20%        | 12%           | 28%           | 20%                      | 22%        | 29%        | 17%        | 31%         | 21%        | 22%         |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>766</b>     | <b>358</b>  | <b>77</b>   | <b>331</b>            | <b>235</b>  | <b>173</b>           | <b>218</b>  | <b>264</b>  | <b>320</b>             | <b>191</b>        | <b>150</b>                   | <b>233</b>       | <b>111</b> | <b>714</b>  | <b>52</b>  | <b>124</b>  | <b>74</b>  | <b>88</b>  | <b>77</b>     | <b>65</b>     | <b>57</b>                | <b>63</b>  | <b>82</b>  | <b>35</b>  | <b>33</b>   | <b>69</b>  | <b>732</b>  |
|                            | 66%            | 69%         | 71%         | 63%                   | 63%         | 60%                  | 86%         | 62%         | 61%                    | 60%               | 70%                          | 81%              | 51%        | 68%         | 52%        | 77%         | 67%        | 60%        | 75%           | 62%           | 66%                      | 63%        | 61%        | 68%        | 57%         | 68%        | 63%         |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>-528</b>    | <b>-255</b> | <b>-61</b>  | <b>-212</b>           | <b>-155</b> | <b>-91</b>           | <b>-198</b> | <b>-164</b> | <b>-198</b>            | <b>-98</b>        | <b>-109</b>                  | <b>-206</b>      | <b>-50</b> | <b>-505</b> | <b>-23</b> | <b>-104</b> | <b>-53</b> | <b>-59</b> | <b>-64</b>    | <b>-36</b>    | <b>-39</b>               | <b>-41</b> | <b>-43</b> | <b>-26</b> | <b>-15</b>  | <b>-47</b> | <b>-478</b> |
|                            | -46%           | -49%        | -56%        | -40%                  | -42%        | -32%                 | -78%        | -39%        | -38%                   | -31%              | -51%                         | -72%             | -23%       | -48%        | -23%       | -64%        | -48%       | -40%       | -62%          | -35%          | -45%                     | -41%       | -32%       | -51%       | -26%        | -46%       | -41%        |

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Table 173

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**- Politics is a waste of time -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Urbanity            |                     |                    | Interest in politics |                     | Likelihood to vote |                     | Political activism |                     | Opinion on present system |                     | Knew local MP       |                     | Unwtd total         |                     |
|----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
|                            | Urban               | Rural               | Mixed              | Interested           | Not interested      | Certain to         | Certain not to      | Activist           | Non-activist        | Works well                | Needs improvement   | Yes                 | No                  |                     |                     |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                | 773                 | 145                | 238                  | 580                 | 569                | 627                 | 143                | 160                 | 996                       | 327                 | 783                 | 495                 | 661                 | 1156                |
| Weighted total             | 1156                | 784                 | 136                | 235                  | 611                 | 539                | 619                 | 140                | 180                 | 976                       | 322                 | 793                 | 511                 | 645                 | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>          | <b>535</b>          | <b>97</b>          | <b>170</b>           | <b>404</b>          | <b>394</b>         | <b>430</b>          | <b>96</b>          | <b>118</b>          | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b>          | <b>543</b>          | <b>339</b>          | <b>464</b>          | <b>1156</b>         |
| Strongly agree             | 70<br>6%            | 49<br>6%            | 5<br>4%            | 16<br>7%             | 6<br>1%             | 62<br>12%          | 16<br>3%            | 24<br>17%          | -<br>-              | 70<br>7%                  | 7<br>2%             | 59<br>7%            | 9<br>2%             | 60<br>9%            | 66<br>6%            |
| Tend to agree              | 168<br>15%          | 102<br>13%          | 18<br>14%          | 48<br>20%            | 54<br>9%            | 113<br>21%         | 66<br>11%           | 29<br>21%          | 8<br>5%             | 160<br>16%                | 33<br>10%           | 126<br>16%          | 64<br>12%           | 105<br>16%          | 188<br>16%          |
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| Tend to disagree           | 472<br>41%          | 324<br>41%          | 48<br>35%          | 100<br>43%           | 255<br>42%          | 215<br>40%         | 256<br>41%          | 49<br>35%          | 66<br>37%           | 406<br>42%                | 141<br>44%          | 324<br>41%          | 221<br>43%          | 251<br>39%          | 459<br>40%          |
| Strongly disagree          | 294<br>25%          | 200<br>25%          | 48<br>35%          | 47<br>20%            | 250<br>41%          | 44<br>8%           | 228<br>37%          | 12<br>9%           | 99<br>55%           | 195<br>20%                | 98<br>30%           | 192<br>24%          | 156<br>31%          | 138<br>21%          | 273<br>24%          |
| Don't know                 | 17<br>1%            | 16<br>2%            | 1<br>1%            | *<br>*               | 6<br>1%             | 11<br>2%           | 9<br>2%             | 2<br>2%            | -<br>-              | 17<br>2%                  | 6<br>2%             | 5<br>1%             | 5<br>1%             | 12<br>2%            | 21<br>2%            |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>238</b><br>21%   | <b>151</b><br>19%   | <b>24</b><br>17%   | <b>63</b><br>27%     | <b>60</b><br>10%    | <b>175</b><br>33%  | <b>82</b><br>13%    | <b>53</b><br>38%   | <b>8</b><br>5%      | <b>230</b><br>24%         | <b>40</b><br>12%    | <b>185</b><br>23%   | <b>73</b><br>14%    | <b>165</b><br>26%   | <b>254</b><br>22%   |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>766</b><br>66%   | <b>524</b><br>67%   | <b>95</b><br>70%   | <b>147</b><br>62%    | <b>505</b><br>83%   | <b>258</b><br>48%  | <b>484</b><br>78%   | <b>61</b><br>44%   | <b>165</b><br>92%   | <b>602</b><br>62%         | <b>239</b><br>74%   | <b>516</b><br>65%   | <b>377</b><br>74%   | <b>390</b><br>60%   | <b>732</b><br>63%   |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>-528</b><br>-46% | <b>-373</b><br>-48% | <b>-72</b><br>-53% | <b>-84</b><br>-36%   | <b>-445</b><br>-73% | <b>-83</b><br>-15% | <b>-401</b><br>-65% | <b>-8</b><br>-6%   | <b>-157</b><br>-87% | <b>-372</b><br>-38%       | <b>-199</b><br>-62% | <b>-331</b><br>-42% | <b>-304</b><br>-59% | <b>-224</b><br>-35% | <b>-478</b><br>-41% |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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Table 174

**Q.18 From this card, could you please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements:**

**- Politics is a waste of time -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Quiz score                 |                         |                            | Satisfaction with local MP |                            | Satisfaction with MPs in general |                            | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |                            | Use of internet            |                            | Unwtd total               |                            |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|--|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
|                            | Total                      | Scored 0-3              | Scored 4-6                 | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied                  | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied                  | Dissatisfied                           | Agree                      | Disagree                   | Use internet               |                           | Do not use internet        |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                       | 210                     | 463                        | 483                        | 459                        | 183                              | 349                        | 502                                    | 438                        | 450                        | 762                        | 394                       | 1156                       |
| Weighted total             | 1156                       | 187                     | 470                        | 499                        | 444                        | 190                              | 336                        | 515                                    | 427                        | 474                        | 826                        | 330                       | 1156                       |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>                 | <b>150</b>              | <b>310</b>                 | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b>                 | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b>                 | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b>                 | <b>302</b>                 | <b>540</b>                 | <b>269</b>                | <b>1156</b>                |
| Strongly agree             | 70<br>6%                   | 28<br>15%               | 37<br>8%                   | 5<br>1%                    | 6<br>1%                    | 22<br>12%                        | 6<br>2%                    | 41<br>8%                               | 12<br>3%                   | 47<br>10%                  | 50<br>6%                   | 20<br>6%                  | 66<br>6%                   |
| Tend to agree              | 168<br>15%                 | 47<br>25%               | 85<br>18%                  | 37<br>7%                   | 53<br>12%                  | 36<br>19%                        | 34<br>10%                  | 96<br>19%                              | 42<br>10%                  | 94<br>20%                  | 99<br>12%                  | 70<br>21%                 | 188<br>16%                 |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 135<br>12%                 | 29<br>15%               | 61<br>13%                  | 45<br>9%                   | 43<br>10%                  | 23<br>12%                        | 24<br>7%                   | 59<br>12%                              | 43<br>10%                  | 54<br>11%                  | 83<br>10%                  | 51<br>16%                 | 149<br>13%                 |
| Tend to disagree           | 472<br>41%                 | 59<br>32%               | 202<br>43%                 | 211<br>42%                 | 204<br>46%                 | 62<br>33%                        | 143<br>43%                 | 223<br>43%                             | 174<br>41%                 | 191<br>40%                 | 343<br>41%                 | 130<br>39%                | 459<br>40%                 |
| Strongly disagree          | 294<br>25%                 | 9<br>5%                 | 83<br>18%                  | 202<br>40%                 | 135<br>30%                 | 46<br>24%                        | 126<br>38%                 | 93<br>18%                              | 154<br>36%                 | 87<br>18%                  | 245<br>30%                 | 49<br>15%                 | 273<br>24%                 |
| Don't know                 | 17<br>1%                   | 16<br>8%                | 1<br>*                     | -<br>-                     | 2<br>*                     | 1<br>*                           | 2<br>1%                    | 2<br>*                                 | 2<br>1%                    | 1<br>*                     | 6<br>1%                    | 11<br>3%                  | 21<br>2%                   |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>238</b><br><b>21%</b>   | <b>75</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>122</b><br><b>26%</b>   | <b>41</b><br><b>8%</b>     | <b>59</b><br><b>13%</b>    | <b>58</b><br><b>31%</b>          | <b>40</b><br><b>12%</b>    | <b>137</b><br><b>27%</b>               | <b>54</b><br><b>13%</b>    | <b>141</b><br><b>30%</b>   | <b>149</b><br><b>18%</b>   | <b>89</b><br><b>27%</b>   | <b>254</b><br><b>22%</b>   |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>766</b><br><b>66%</b>   | <b>68</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>285</b><br><b>61%</b>   | <b>413</b><br><b>83%</b>   | <b>340</b><br><b>77%</b>   | <b>108</b><br><b>57%</b>         | <b>270</b><br><b>80%</b>   | <b>316</b><br><b>61%</b>               | <b>328</b><br><b>77%</b>   | <b>278</b><br><b>59%</b>   | <b>588</b><br><b>71%</b>   | <b>179</b><br><b>54%</b>  | <b>732</b><br><b>63%</b>   |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>-528</b><br><b>-46%</b> | <b>6</b><br><b>3%</b>   | <b>-163</b><br><b>-35%</b> | <b>-371</b><br><b>-74%</b> | <b>-280</b><br><b>-63%</b> | <b>-50</b><br><b>-27%</b>        | <b>-230</b><br><b>-68%</b> | <b>-179</b><br><b>-35%</b>             | <b>-274</b><br><b>-64%</b> | <b>-137</b><br><b>-29%</b> | <b>-439</b><br><b>-53%</b> | <b>-90</b><br><b>-27%</b> | <b>-478</b><br><b>-41%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
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Table 175

**Q.18 From this card, could you please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements:**

**- Politics is a waste of time -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |                     | Segment               |                    |                       |                     |                       |                    |                        |                    | Unwtd total      |                     |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|------------------------|--------------------|------------------|---------------------|
|                            | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%)         | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics     | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic    | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile  |                  |                     |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                  | 163                      | 351                     | 386                 | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146                 | 228                   | 62                 | 93                     | 287                | 102              | 1156                |
| Weighted total             | 1156                  | 175                      | 373                     | 396                 | 387                   | 116                | 157                   | 159                 | 191                   | 66                 | 92                     | 277                | 99               | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>            | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>              | <b>263</b>          | <b>290</b>            | <b>72</b>          | <b>101</b>            | <b>92</b>           | <b>160</b>            | <b>49</b>          | <b>66</b>              | <b>209</b>         | <b>63</b>        | <b>1156</b>         |
| Strongly agree             | 70<br>6%              | 9<br>5%                  | 17<br>4%                | 31<br>8%            | 22<br>6%              | 2<br>2%            | -<br>-                | 1<br>1%             | 7<br>4%               | -<br>-             | 2<br>2%                | 25<br>9%           | 33<br>33%        | 66<br>6%            |
| Tend to agree              | 168<br>15%            | 26<br>15%                | 45<br>12%               | 57<br>14%           | 67<br>17%             | 7<br>6%            | 7<br>5%               | 20<br>13%           | 35<br>18%             | 3<br>5%            | 21<br>23%              | 51<br>18%          | 23<br>23%        | 188<br>16%          |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 135<br>12%            | 20<br>12%                | 47<br>13%               | 38<br>10%           | 50<br>13%             | 5<br>5%            | 8<br>5%               | 15<br>9%            | 22<br>12%             | 6<br>9%            | 15<br>16%              | 53<br>19%          | 11<br>11%        | 149<br>13%          |
| Tend to disagree           | 472<br>41%            | 50<br>29%                | 124<br>33%              | 171<br>43%          | 177<br>46%            | 39<br>34%          | 64<br>41%             | 65<br>41%           | 88<br>46%             | 38<br>56%          | 39<br>43%              | 117<br>42%         | 23<br>24%        | 459<br>40%          |
| Strongly disagree          | 294<br>25%            | 69<br>40%                | 137<br>37%              | 96<br>24%           | 61<br>16%             | 62<br>54%          | 78<br>50%             | 59<br>37%           | 33<br>17%             | 19<br>28%          | 14<br>16%              | 27<br>10%          | 2<br>2%          | 273<br>24%          |
| Don't know                 | 17<br>1%              | -<br>-                   | 3<br>1%                 | 4<br>1%             | 9<br>2%               | -<br>-             | -<br>-                | -<br>-              | 6<br>3%               | -<br>-             | 1<br>1%                | 4<br>1%            | 6<br>6%          | 21<br>2%            |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>238</b><br>21%     | <b>35</b><br>20%         | <b>61</b><br>16%        | <b>88</b><br>22%    | <b>89</b><br>23%      | <b>9</b><br>8%     | <b>7</b><br>5%        | <b>21</b><br>13%    | <b>42</b><br>22%      | <b>3</b><br>5%     | <b>23</b><br>25%       | <b>76</b><br>27%   | <b>56</b><br>57% | <b>254</b><br>22%   |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>766</b><br>66%     | <b>120</b><br>68%        | <b>261</b><br>70%       | <b>267</b><br>67%   | <b>239</b><br>62%     | <b>101</b><br>87%  | <b>142</b><br>91%     | <b>124</b><br>78%   | <b>120</b><br>63%     | <b>57</b><br>86%   | <b>53</b><br>58%       | <b>144</b><br>52%  | <b>26</b><br>26% | <b>732</b><br>63%   |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>-528</b><br>-46%   | <b>-84</b><br>-48%       | <b>-200</b><br>-54%     | <b>-179</b><br>-45% | <b>-150</b><br>-39%   | <b>-91</b><br>-79% | <b>-135</b><br>-86%   | <b>-103</b><br>-64% | <b>-78</b><br>-41%    | <b>-54</b><br>-81% | <b>-30</b><br>-33%     | <b>-68</b><br>-25% | <b>30</b><br>31% | <b>-478</b><br>-41% |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 176

**Q.18 From this card, could you please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements:**

**- Voting in a General Election gives me a say in how the country is run -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Gender                   |                          | Age                      |                         |                         |                          |                          |                          |                         |                         |                          |                          | Social class             |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          | Region                   |                          |                          | Marital status           |                          |                                | Unwtd total             |                          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
|                            | Male                     | Female                   | 18-24                    | 25-34                   | 35-44                   | 45-54                    | 55-64                    | 65-74                    | 75+                     | 18-34                   | 35-54                    | 55+                      | AB                       | C1                       | C2                       | DE                       | ABC1                     | C2DE                     | North                    | South                    | Mid lands                | Single                   | Married /Co-hab iting    | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |                         |                          |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                     | 552                      | 604                      | 138                     | 207                     | 206                      | 141                      | 170                      | 159                     | 135                     | 345                      | 347                      | 464                      | 224                      | 353                      | 257                      | 322                      | 577                      | 579                      | 438                      | 339                      | 379                      | 290                      | 669                            | 197                     | 1156                     |
| Weighted total             | 1156                     | 561                      | 595                      | 173                     | 183                     | 216                      | 186                      | 169                      | 117                     | 111                     | 356                      | 402                      | 398                      | 310                      | 333                      | 241                      | 272                      | 642                      | 514                      | 387                      | 411                      | 358                      | 306                      | 681                            | 169                     | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>               | <b>391</b>               | <b>410</b>               | <b>98</b>               | <b>145</b>              | <b>149</b>               | <b>105</b>               | <b>117</b>               | <b>135</b>              | <b>87</b>               | <b>236</b>               | <b>252</b>               | <b>323</b>               | <b>161</b>               | <b>256</b>               | <b>191</b>               | <b>222</b>               | <b>401</b>               | <b>413</b>               | <b>312</b>               | <b>250</b>               | <b>251</b>               | <b>203</b>               | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>              | <b>1156</b>              |
| Strongly agree             | 178<br>15%               | 89<br>16%                | 88<br>15%                | 25<br>14%               | 18<br>10%               | 31<br>14%                | 29<br>16%                | 32<br>19%                | 24<br>21%               | 19<br>17%               | 43<br>12%                | 60<br>15%                | 74<br>19%                | 60<br>19%                | 59<br>18%                | 31<br>13%                | 28<br>10%                | 119<br>19%               | 59<br>11%                | 56<br>14%                | 76<br>18%                | 46<br>13%                | 41<br>13%                | 110<br>16%                     | 27<br>16%               | 188                      |
| Tend to agree              | 501<br>43%               | 245<br>44%               | 256<br>43%               | 70<br>40%               | 75<br>41%               | 101<br>47%               | 74<br>40%                | 85<br>50%                | 51<br>43%               | 46<br>41%               | 145<br>41%               | 174<br>43%               | 181<br>46%               | 155<br>50%               | 142<br>43%               | 96<br>40%                | 107<br>39%               | 297<br>46%               | 204<br>40%               | 163<br>42%               | 188<br>46%               | 149<br>42%               | 123<br>40%               | 306<br>45%                     | 71<br>42%               | 489                      |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 130<br>11%               | 68<br>12%                | 62<br>10%                | 30<br>17%               | 28<br>15%               | 16<br>7%                 | 17<br>9%                 | 14<br>8%                 | 8<br>7%                 | 17<br>15%               | 58<br>16%                | 33<br>8%                 | 39<br>10%                | 28<br>9%                 | 33<br>10%                | 33<br>14%                | 35<br>13%                | 62<br>10%                | 68<br>13%                | 46<br>12%                | 42<br>10%                | 42<br>12%                | 40<br>13%                | 71<br>10%                      | 19<br>11%               | 138                      |
| Tend to disagree           | 233<br>20%               | 101<br>18%               | 132<br>22%               | 38<br>22%               | 38<br>21%               | 41<br>19%                | 49<br>27%                | 26<br>15%                | 22<br>19%               | 18<br>16%               | 76<br>21%                | 90<br>23%                | 66<br>17%                | 50<br>16%                | 70<br>21%                | 50<br>21%                | 62<br>23%                | 120<br>19%               | 113<br>22%               | 76<br>20%                | 74<br>18%                | 83<br>23%                | 74<br>24%                | 122<br>18%                     | 36<br>21%               | 214                      |
| Strongly disagree          | 95<br>8%                 | 53<br>9%                 | 42<br>7%                 | 7<br>4%                 | 16<br>9%                | 26<br>12%                | 16<br>8%                 | 13<br>8%                 | 11<br>9%                | 6<br>5%                 | 23<br>6%                 | 41<br>10%                | 30<br>8%                 | 15<br>5%                 | 20<br>6%                 | 28<br>11%                | 32<br>12%                | 35<br>5%                 | 60<br>12%                | 43<br>11%                | 19<br>5%                 | 32<br>9%                 | 22<br>7%                 | 62<br>9%                       | 11<br>6%                | 107                      |
| Don't know                 | 21<br>2%                 | 6<br>1%                  | 15<br>2%                 | 4<br>2%                 | 8<br>4%                 | 2<br>1%                  | -                        | -                        | 2<br>1%                 | 6<br>5%                 | 11<br>3%                 | 7<br>1%                  | 7<br>2%                  | 2<br>*                   | 8<br>3%                  | 3<br>1%                  | 8<br>3%                  | 10<br>2%                 | 11<br>2%                 | 3<br>1%                  | 12<br>3%                 | 6<br>2%                  | 7<br>2%                  | 10<br>1%                       | 4<br>2%                 | 20                       |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>678</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>334</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>345</b><br><b>58%</b> | <b>95</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>94</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>131</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>103</b><br><b>56%</b> | <b>117</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>75</b><br><b>64%</b> | <b>64</b><br><b>58%</b> | <b>188</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>234</b><br><b>58%</b> | <b>256</b><br><b>64%</b> | <b>215</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>201</b><br><b>60%</b> | <b>128</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>135</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>416</b><br><b>65%</b> | <b>262</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>219</b><br><b>57%</b> | <b>264</b><br><b>64%</b> | <b>195</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>164</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>416</b><br><b>61%</b>       | <b>99</b><br><b>58%</b> | <b>677</b><br><b>59%</b> |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>327</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>154</b><br><b>27%</b> | <b>173</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>45</b><br><b>26%</b> | <b>54</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>67</b><br><b>31%</b>  | <b>65</b><br><b>35%</b>  | <b>39</b><br><b>23%</b>  | <b>33</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>24</b><br><b>22%</b> | <b>99</b><br><b>28%</b>  | <b>132</b><br><b>33%</b> | <b>96</b><br><b>24%</b>  | <b>65</b><br><b>21%</b>  | <b>90</b><br><b>27%</b>  | <b>78</b><br><b>32%</b>  | <b>94</b><br><b>35%</b>  | <b>155</b><br><b>24%</b> | <b>172</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>119</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>93</b><br><b>23%</b>  | <b>115</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>96</b><br><b>31%</b>  | <b>185</b><br><b>27%</b>       | <b>47</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>321</b><br><b>28%</b> |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>351</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>180</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>171</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>50</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>39</b><br><b>21%</b> | <b>64</b><br><b>30%</b>  | <b>38</b><br><b>21%</b>  | <b>78</b><br><b>46%</b>  | <b>42</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>40</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>89</b><br><b>25%</b>  | <b>103</b><br><b>26%</b> | <b>159</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>149</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>112</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>50</b><br><b>21%</b>  | <b>40</b><br><b>15%</b>  | <b>261</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>90</b><br><b>18%</b>  | <b>100</b><br><b>26%</b> | <b>171</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>81</b><br><b>23%</b>  | <b>68</b><br><b>22%</b>  | <b>231</b><br><b>34%</b>       | <b>52</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>356</b><br><b>31%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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Table 177

**Q.18 From this card, could you please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements:**

**- Voting in a General Election gives me a say in how the country is run -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Working status    |                   |                  | Children in household |                   | Newspaper readership |                   |                   | Education                |                   |                                |                   | Ethnicity         |                   | GO Region        |                   |                  |                  |                  |                  |                          |                  |                  |                  | Unwtd total      |                  |                   |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|
|                            | Full time         | Part time         | Not working      | Yes                   | No                | Quality              | Popular           | None              | GCSE/O-Level/ CSE/ NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/ Masters /PhD or equiv. | No formal quals.  | White             | BME               | South East       | Eastern           | London           | South West       | West Midlands    | East Midlands    | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West       | North East       | Wales            |                  | Scotland         |                   |
| Unweighted total           | 1156              | 425               | 109              | 622                   | 360               | 234                  | 201               | 445               | 548                      | 318               | 183                            | 258               | 274               | 1007              | 146              | 116               | 102              | 121              | 102              | 109              | 71                       | 91               | 122              | 68               | 97               | 157              | 1156              |
| Weighted total             | 1156              | 520               | 109              | 527                   | 372               | 287                  | 253               | 423               | 522                      | 320               | 213                            | 287               | 219               | 1054              | 100              | 162               | 110              | 147              | 103              | 104              | 87                       | 101              | 134              | 51               | 58               | 102              | 1156              |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>        | <b>306</b>        | <b>78</b>        | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b>        | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b>        | <b>313</b>        | <b>382</b>               | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                     | <b>188</b>        | <b>201</b>        | <b>703</b>        | <b>115</b>       | <b>90</b>         | <b>72</b>        | <b>86</b>        | <b>79</b>        | <b>75</b>        | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>        | <b>90</b>        | <b>51</b>        | <b>76</b>        | <b>118</b>       | <b>1156</b>       |
| Strongly agree             | 178<br>15%        | 79<br>15%         | 15<br>14%        | 83<br>16%             | 53<br>14%         | 36<br>12%            | 52<br>21%         | 72<br>17%         | 63<br>12%                | 36<br>11%         | 35<br>16%                      | 51<br>18%         | 37<br>17%         | 159<br>15%        | 19<br>19%        | 29<br>18%         | 11<br>10%        | 23<br>16%        | 23<br>23%        | 11<br>10%        | 14<br>17%                | 15<br>15%        | 10<br>8%         | 8<br>17%         | 10<br>17%        | 21<br>17%        | 188               |
| Tend to agree              | 501<br>43%        | 232<br>45%        | 52<br>47%        | 217<br>41%            | 150<br>40%        | 129<br>45%           | 127<br>50%        | 170<br>40%        | 222<br>43%               | 134<br>42%        | 88<br>41%                      | 153<br>53%        | 85<br>39%         | 452<br>43%        | 48<br>48%        | 73<br>45%         | 42<br>38%        | 65<br>45%        | 50<br>48%        | 54<br>52%        | 35<br>40%                | 34<br>34%        | 69<br>52%        | 13<br>26%        | 19<br>32%        | 47<br>47%        | 489               |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 130<br>11%        | 50<br>10%         | 16<br>14%        | 64<br>12%             | 45<br>12%         | 36<br>13%            | 24<br>10%         | 54<br>13%         | 52<br>10%                | 41<br>13%         | 36<br>17%                      | 13<br>5%          | 27<br>12%         | 114<br>11%        | 16<br>16%        | 13<br>8%          | 14<br>13%        | 22<br>15%        | 6<br>6%          | 9<br>8%          | 11<br>12%                | 8<br>8%          | 19<br>14%        | 10<br>19%        | 9<br>16%         | 10<br>10%        | 138               |
| Tend to disagree           | 233<br>20%        | 111<br>21%        | 19<br>17%        | 103<br>20%            | 83<br>22%         | 58<br>20%            | 34<br>14%         | 91<br>22%         | 119<br>23%               | 69<br>22%         | 43<br>20%                      | 50<br>18%         | 42<br>19%         | 220<br>21%        | 12<br>12%        | 34<br>21%         | 25<br>23%        | 23<br>16%        | 17<br>17%        | 22<br>22%        | 24<br>28%                | 26<br>25%        | 28<br>21%        | 9<br>18%         | 11<br>19%        | 13<br>13%        | 214               |
| Strongly disagree          | 95<br>8%          | 44<br>9%          | 7<br>6%          | 44<br>8%              | 37<br>10%         | 20<br>7%             | 12<br>5%          | 29<br>7%          | 55<br>10%                | 36<br>11%         | 12<br>6%                       | 16<br>6%          | 19<br>9%          | 93<br>9%          | 1<br>1%          | 12<br>7%          | 13<br>12%        | 2<br>2%          | 4<br>4%          | 8<br>8%          | 2<br>2%                  | 16<br>16%        | 8<br>6%          | 10<br>20%        | 9<br>16%         | 9<br>9%          | 107               |
| Don't know                 | 21<br>2%          | 4<br>1%           | 1<br>1%          | 16<br>3%              | 4<br>1%           | 7<br>2%              | 3<br>1%           | 7<br>2%           | 11<br>2%                 | 4<br>1%           | 1<br>*                         | 4<br>1%           | 8<br>4%           | 16<br>2%          | 4<br>4%          | -<br>-            | 4<br>4%          | 10<br>7%         | 2<br>2%          | -<br>-           | 1<br>1%                  | 2<br>2%          | -<br>-           | -<br>-           | 1<br>1%          | 1<br>1%          | 20                |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>678</b><br>59% | <b>311</b><br>60% | <b>67</b><br>61% | <b>300</b><br>57%     | <b>202</b><br>54% | <b>165</b><br>58%    | <b>179</b><br>71% | <b>242</b><br>57% | <b>285</b><br>55%        | <b>170</b><br>53% | <b>123</b><br>57%              | <b>203</b><br>71% | <b>122</b><br>56% | <b>611</b><br>58% | <b>67</b><br>67% | <b>102</b><br>63% | <b>53</b><br>49% | <b>89</b><br>60% | <b>73</b><br>71% | <b>65</b><br>62% | <b>49</b><br>57%         | <b>49</b><br>49% | <b>79</b><br>59% | <b>22</b><br>42% | <b>28</b><br>49% | <b>69</b><br>68% | <b>677</b>        |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>327</b><br>28% | <b>155</b><br>30% | <b>25</b><br>23% | <b>147</b><br>28%     | <b>120</b><br>32% | <b>79</b><br>27%     | <b>46</b><br>18%  | <b>120</b><br>28% | <b>173</b><br>33%        | <b>105</b><br>33% | <b>55</b><br>26%               | <b>67</b><br>23%  | <b>62</b><br>28%  | <b>313</b><br>30% | <b>13</b><br>13% | <b>46</b><br>29%  | <b>38</b><br>35% | <b>25</b><br>17% | <b>22</b><br>21% | <b>31</b><br>29% | <b>26</b><br>30%         | <b>42</b><br>42% | <b>36</b><br>27% | <b>20</b><br>39% | <b>20</b><br>35% | <b>22</b><br>22% | <b>321</b>        |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>351</b><br>30% | <b>156</b><br>30% | <b>42</b><br>38% | <b>153</b><br>29%     | <b>82</b><br>22%  | <b>87</b><br>30%     | <b>133</b><br>53% | <b>122</b><br>29% | <b>111</b><br>21%        | <b>65</b><br>20%  | <b>68</b><br>32%               | <b>137</b><br>48% | <b>60</b><br>27%  | <b>298</b><br>28% | <b>53</b><br>53% | <b>56</b><br>35%  | <b>15</b><br>14% | <b>63</b><br>43% | <b>51</b><br>50% | <b>34</b><br>33% | <b>23</b><br>26%         | <b>7</b><br>7%   | <b>44</b><br>33% | <b>2</b><br>4%   | <b>8</b><br>14%  | <b>47</b><br>46% | <b>356</b><br>31% |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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Table 178

**Q.18 From this card, could you please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements:**

**- Voting in a General Election gives me a say in how the country is run -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Urbanity                 |                          |                         | Interest in politics     |                          | Likelihood to vote       |                          | Political activism        |                          | Opinion on present system |                          | Knew local MP            |                          | Unwtd total              |                          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                            | Urban                    | Rural                    | Mixed                   | Interested               | Not interested           | Certain to               | Certain not to           | Activist                  | Non-activist             | Works well                | Needs improvement        | Yes                      | No                       |                          |                          |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                     | 773                      | 145                     | 238                      | 580                      | 569                      | 627                      | 143                       | 160                      | 996                       | 327                      | 783                      | 495                      | 661                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total             | 1156                     | 784                      | 136                     | 235                      | 611                      | 539                      | 619                      | 140                       | 180                      | 976                       | 322                      | 793                      | 511                      | 645                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b>               | <b>97</b>               | <b>170</b>               | <b>404</b>               | <b>394</b>               | <b>430</b>               | <b>96</b>                 | <b>118</b>               | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b>               | <b>543</b>               | <b>339</b>               | <b>464</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Strongly agree             | 178<br>15%               | 115<br>15%               | 27<br>20%               | 36<br>15%                | 132<br>22%               | 46<br>9%                 | 140<br>23%               | 5<br>4%                   | 40<br>22%                | 138<br>14%                | 66<br>20%                | 110<br>14%               | 100<br>20%               | 77<br>12%                | 188<br>16%               |
| Tend to agree              | 501<br>43%               | 352<br>45%               | 55<br>40%               | 94<br>40%                | 285<br>47%               | 212<br>39%               | 286<br>46%               | 32<br>23%                 | 80<br>44%                | 421<br>43%                | 155<br>48%               | 332<br>42%               | 227<br>44%               | 274<br>42%               | 489<br>42%               |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 130<br>11%               | 83<br>11%                | 12<br>9%                | 36<br>15%                | 57<br>9%                 | 73<br>13%                | 58<br>9%                 | 16<br>12%                 | 16<br>9%                 | 114<br>12%                | 40<br>13%                | 81<br>10%                | 55<br>11%                | 75<br>12%                | 138<br>12%               |
| Tend to disagree           | 233<br>20%               | 157<br>20%               | 32<br>23%               | 43<br>18%                | 97<br>16%                | 135<br>25%               | 93<br>15%                | 42<br>30%                 | 31<br>18%                | 201<br>21%                | 47<br>15%                | 181<br>23%               | 87<br>17%                | 146<br>23%               | 214<br>19%               |
| Strongly disagree          | 95<br>8%                 | 60<br>8%                 | 11<br>8%                | 24<br>10%                | 33<br>5%                 | 60<br>11%                | 31<br>5%                 | 38<br>27%                 | 12<br>6%                 | 83<br>9%                  | 5<br>2%                  | 87<br>11%                | 35<br>7%                 | 59<br>9%                 | 107<br>9%                |
| Don't know                 | 21<br>2%                 | 17<br>2%                 | 1<br>*                  | 3<br>1%                  | 8<br>1%                  | 13<br>2%                 | 10<br>2%                 | 7<br>5%                   | 2<br>1%                  | 19<br>2%                  | 8<br>3%                  | 3<br>*                   | 7<br>1%                  | 14<br>2%                 | 20<br>2%                 |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>678</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>467</b><br><b>60%</b> | <b>81</b><br><b>60%</b> | <b>130</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>416</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>258</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>426</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>37</b><br><b>26%</b>   | <b>119</b><br><b>67%</b> | <b>559</b><br><b>57%</b>  | <b>221</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>442</b><br><b>56%</b> | <b>327</b><br><b>64%</b> | <b>351</b><br><b>54%</b> | <b>677</b><br><b>59%</b> |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>327</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>218</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>43</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>67</b><br><b>29%</b>  | <b>130</b><br><b>21%</b> | <b>195</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>125</b><br><b>20%</b> | <b>80</b><br><b>57%</b>   | <b>43</b><br><b>24%</b>  | <b>284</b><br><b>29%</b>  | <b>52</b><br><b>16%</b>  | <b>268</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>122</b><br><b>24%</b> | <b>205</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>321</b><br><b>28%</b> |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>351</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>249</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>39</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>63</b><br><b>27%</b>  | <b>287</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>63</b><br><b>12%</b>  | <b>301</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>-43</b><br><b>-31%</b> | <b>76</b><br><b>43%</b>  | <b>275</b><br><b>28%</b>  | <b>169</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>174</b><br><b>22%</b> | <b>205</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>146</b><br><b>23%</b> | <b>356</b><br><b>31%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 179

**Q.18 From this card, could you please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements:**

**- Voting in a General Election gives me a say in how the country is run -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Quiz score               |                         |                          | Satisfaction with local MP |                          | Satisfaction with MPs in general |                          | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |                          | Use of internet          |                          | Unwtd total              |                          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                            | Total                    | Scored 0-3              | Scored 4-6               | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                           | Agree                    | Disagree                 | Use internet             |                          | Do not use internet      |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                     | 210                     | 463                      | 483                        | 459                      | 183                              | 349                      | 502                                    | 438                      | 450                      | 762                      | 394                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total             | 1156                     | 187                     | 470                      | 499                        | 444                      | 190                              | 336                      | 515                                    | 427                      | 474                      | 826                      | 330                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>               | <b>150</b>              | <b>310</b>               | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b>               | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b>               | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b>               | <b>302</b>               | <b>540</b>               | <b>269</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Strongly agree             | 178<br>15%               | 17<br>9%                | 75<br>16%                | 86<br>17%                  | 90<br>20%                | 27<br>14%                        | 66<br>20%                | 73<br>14%                              | 106<br>25%               | 39<br>8%                 | 129<br>16%               | 48<br>15%                | 188<br>16%               |
| Tend to agree              | 501<br>43%               | 70<br>37%               | 194<br>41%               | 237<br>47%                 | 217<br>49%               | 67<br>35%                        | 192<br>57%               | 175<br>34%                             | 222<br>52%               | 177<br>37%               | 368<br>45%               | 133<br>40%               | 489<br>42%               |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 130<br>11%               | 30<br>16%               | 60<br>13%                | 39<br>8%                   | 51<br>11%                | 16<br>8%                         | 27<br>8%                 | 62<br>12%                              | 33<br>8%                 | 39<br>8%                 | 80<br>10%                | 50<br>15%                | 138<br>12%               |
| Tend to disagree           | 233<br>20%               | 37<br>20%               | 102<br>22%               | 93<br>19%                  | 67<br>15%                | 45<br>24%                        | 39<br>11%                | 132<br>26%                             | 48<br>11%                | 150<br>32%               | 164<br>20%               | 69<br>21%                | 214<br>19%               |
| Strongly disagree          | 95<br>8%                 | 21<br>11%               | 30<br>6%                 | 43<br>9%                   | 15<br>3%                 | 33<br>17%                        | 9<br>3%                  | 69<br>13%                              | 15<br>3%                 | 68<br>14%                | 73<br>9%                 | 22<br>7%                 | 107<br>9%                |
| Don't know                 | 21<br>2%                 | 12<br>6%                | 8<br>2%                  | 2<br>*                     | 3<br>1%                  | 2<br>1%                          | 3<br>1%                  | 4<br>1%                                | 4<br>1%                  | 1<br>*                   | 13<br>2%                 | 8<br>2%                  | 20<br>2%                 |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>678</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>86</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>270</b><br><b>57%</b> | <b>322</b><br><b>65%</b>   | <b>307</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>94</b><br><b>50%</b>          | <b>259</b><br><b>77%</b> | <b>248</b><br><b>48%</b>               | <b>328</b><br><b>77%</b> | <b>216</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>497</b><br><b>60%</b> | <b>181</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>677</b><br><b>59%</b> |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>327</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>59</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>132</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>137</b><br><b>27%</b>   | <b>82</b><br><b>19%</b>  | <b>78</b><br><b>41%</b>          | <b>47</b><br><b>14%</b>  | <b>201</b><br><b>39%</b>               | <b>62</b><br><b>15%</b>  | <b>218</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>236</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>91</b><br><b>28%</b>  | <b>321</b><br><b>28%</b> |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>351</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>28</b><br><b>15%</b> | <b>138</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>186</b><br><b>37%</b>   | <b>225</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>17</b><br><b>9%</b>           | <b>211</b><br><b>63%</b> | <b>47</b><br><b>9%</b>                 | <b>265</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>-2</b><br><b>*</b>    | <b>261</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>90</b><br><b>27%</b>  | <b>356</b><br><b>31%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 180

**Q.18 From this card, could you please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements:**

**- Voting in a General Election gives me a say in how the country is run -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |                   | Segment               |                    |                       |                   |                       |                  |                        |                   | Unwtd total        |                   |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|------------------|------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
|                            | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%)       | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics   | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic  | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |                    |                   |
| Unweighted total           | <b>1156</b>           | 163                      | 351                     | 386               | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146               | 228                   | 62               | 93                     | 287               | 102                | 1156              |
| Weighted total             | <b>1156</b>           | 175                      | 373                     | 396               | 387                   | 116                | 157                   | 159               | 191                   | 66               | 92                     | 277               | 99                 | 1156              |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>            | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>              | <b>263</b>        | <b>290</b>            | <b>72</b>          | <b>101</b>            | <b>92</b>         | <b>160</b>            | <b>49</b>        | <b>66</b>              | <b>209</b>        | <b>63</b>          | <b>1156</b>       |
| Strongly agree             | <b>178</b><br>15%     | 28<br>16%                | 67<br>18%               | 58<br>15%         | 52<br>13%             | 15<br>13%          | 43<br>27%             | 37<br>23%         | 36<br>19%             | 11<br>17%        | 15<br>17%              | 19<br>7%          | 1<br>1%            | 188<br>16%        |
| Tend to agree              | <b>501</b><br>43%     | 90<br>51%                | 170<br>46%              | 168<br>42%        | 162<br>42%            | 58<br>51%          | 82<br>53%             | 72<br>45%         | 80<br>42%             | 40<br>60%        | 42<br>45%              | 108<br>39%        | 18<br>18%          | 489<br>42%        |
| Neither agree nor disagree | <b>130</b><br>11%     | 13<br>7%                 | 35<br>9%                | 34<br>9%          | 61<br>16%             | 11<br>9%           | 9<br>6%               | 14<br>9%          | 25<br>13%             | 4<br>6%          | 15<br>16%              | 41<br>15%         | 11<br>11%          | 138<br>12%        |
| Tend to disagree           | <b>233</b><br>20%     | 39<br>22%                | 83<br>22%               | 84<br>21%         | 65<br>17%             | 24<br>21%          | 17<br>11%             | 26<br>16%         | 31<br>16%             | 9<br>13%         | 10<br>11%              | 79<br>28%         | 37<br>38%          | 214<br>19%        |
| Strongly disagree          | <b>95</b><br>8%       | 5<br>3%                  | 11<br>3%                | 47<br>12%         | 36<br>9%              | 5<br>4%            | 6<br>4%               | 11<br>7%          | 13<br>7%              | 2<br>4%          | 10<br>11%              | 25<br>9%          | 23<br>24%          | 107<br>9%         |
| Don't know                 | <b>21</b><br>2%       | 1<br>1%                  | 6<br>2%                 | 5<br>1%           | 10<br>3%              | 2<br>1%            | -                     | -                 | 5<br>3%               | -                | 1<br>1%                | 5<br>2%           | 8<br>9%            | 20<br>2%          |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>678</b><br>59%     | <b>118</b><br>67%        | <b>238</b><br>64%       | <b>226</b><br>57% | <b>214</b><br>55%     | <b>74</b><br>64%   | <b>125</b><br>80%     | <b>109</b><br>68% | <b>116</b><br>61%     | <b>51</b><br>77% | <b>57</b><br>62%       | <b>127</b><br>46% | <b>19</b><br>19%   | <b>677</b><br>59% |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>327</b><br>28%     | <b>43</b><br>25%         | <b>95</b><br>25%        | <b>131</b><br>33% | <b>102</b><br>26%     | <b>29</b><br>25%   | <b>23</b><br>14%      | <b>36</b><br>23%  | <b>44</b><br>23%      | <b>11</b><br>17% | <b>20</b><br>21%       | <b>103</b><br>37% | <b>61</b><br>61%   | <b>321</b><br>28% |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>351</b><br>30%     | <b>74</b><br>43%         | <b>143</b><br>38%       | <b>95</b><br>24%  | <b>113</b><br>29%     | <b>45</b><br>39%   | <b>103</b><br>66%     | <b>72</b><br>45%  | <b>72</b><br>38%      | <b>40</b><br>60% | <b>38</b><br>41%       | <b>24</b><br>9%   | <b>-42</b><br>-42% | <b>356</b><br>31% |

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Table 181

**Q.18 From this card, could you please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements:**

**- It is my duty to vote -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Gender                   |                          | Age                      |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          |                         |                          |                          | Social class             |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          | Region                   |                          |                          | Marital status           |                          |                                | Unwtd total              |                          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                            | Male                     | Female                   | 18-24                    | 25-34                    | 35-44                    | 45-54                    | 55-64                    | 65-74                    | 75+                      | 18-34                   | 35-54                    | 55+                      | AB                       | C1                       | C2                       | DE                       | ABC1                     | C2DE                     | North                    | South                    | Mid lands                | Single                   | Married /Co-hab iting    | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |                          |                          |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                     | 552                      | 604                      | 138                      | 207                      | 206                      | 141                      | 170                      | 159                      | 135                     | 345                      | 347                      | 464                      | 224                      | 353                      | 257                      | 322                      | 577                      | 579                      | 438                      | 339                      | 379                      | 290                      | 669                            | 197                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total             | 1156                     | 561                      | 595                      | 173                      | 183                      | 216                      | 186                      | 169                      | 117                      | 111                     | 356                      | 402                      | 398                      | 310                      | 333                      | 241                      | 272                      | 642                      | 514                      | 387                      | 411                      | 358                      | 306                      | 681                            | 169                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>               | <b>391</b>               | <b>410</b>               | <b>98</b>                | <b>145</b>               | <b>149</b>               | <b>105</b>               | <b>117</b>               | <b>135</b>               | <b>87</b>               | <b>236</b>               | <b>252</b>               | <b>323</b>               | <b>161</b>               | <b>256</b>               | <b>191</b>               | <b>222</b>               | <b>401</b>               | <b>413</b>               | <b>312</b>               | <b>250</b>               | <b>251</b>               | <b>203</b>               | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Strongly agree             | 534<br>46%               | 247<br>44%               | 288<br>48%               | 47<br>27%                | 55<br>30%                | 88<br>41%                | 102<br>55%               | 102<br>60%               | 72<br>61%                | 69<br>62%               | 102<br>29%               | 190<br>47%               | 243<br>61%               | 210<br>68%               | 140<br>42%               | 94<br>39%                | 90<br>33%                | 351<br>55%               | 184<br>36%               | 150<br>39%               | 223<br>54%               | 161<br>45%               | 97<br>32%                | 352<br>52%                     | 86<br>51%                | 535<br>46%               |
| Tend to agree              | 344<br>30%               | 176<br>31%               | 168<br>28%               | 60<br>35%                | 66<br>36%                | 67<br>31%                | 43<br>23%                | 49<br>29%                | 33<br>28%                | 25<br>23%               | 126<br>35%               | 110<br>27%               | 107<br>27%               | 65<br>21%                | 118<br>36%               | 84<br>35%                | 76<br>28%                | 184<br>29%               | 160<br>31%               | 121<br>31%               | 118<br>29%               | 104<br>29%               | 109<br>35%               | 184<br>27%                     | 51<br>30%                | 340<br>29%               |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 94<br>8%                 | 45<br>8%                 | 49<br>8%                 | 20<br>11%                | 25<br>13%                | 20<br>9%                 | 11<br>6%                 | 5<br>3%                  | 6<br>5%                  | 7<br>6%                 | 31<br>12%                | 18<br>8%                 | 18<br>5%                 | 8<br>2%                  | 28<br>8%                 | 23<br>9%                 | 36<br>13%                | 58<br>6%                 | 58<br>11%                | 37<br>10%                | 19<br>5%                 | 38<br>11%                | 32<br>10%                | 50<br>7%                       | 12<br>7%                 | 104<br>9%                |
| Tend to disagree           | 103<br>9%                | 50<br>9%                 | 54<br>9%                 | 25<br>14%                | 18<br>10%                | 25<br>11%                | 19<br>10%                | 9<br>5%                  | 4<br>4%                  | 4<br>4%                 | 43<br>12%                | 43<br>11%                | 17<br>4%                 | 18<br>6%                 | 26<br>8%                 | 21<br>9%                 | 37<br>14%                | 45<br>7%                 | 58<br>11%                | 51<br>13%                | 27<br>7%                 | 25<br>7%                 | 40<br>13%                | 51<br>7%                       | 12<br>7%                 | 97<br>8%                 |
| Strongly disagree          | 67<br>6%                 | 39<br>7%                 | 29<br>5%                 | 18<br>10%                | 17<br>9%                 | 13<br>6%                 | 12<br>7%                 | 5<br>3%                  | 3<br>2%                  | 1<br>1%                 | 34<br>10%                | 25<br>6%                 | 8<br>2%                  | 7<br>2%                  | 11<br>3%                 | 18<br>7%                 | 31<br>12%                | 18<br>3%                 | 50<br>10%                | 26<br>7%                 | 16<br>4%                 | 26<br>7%                 | 24<br>8%                 | 37<br>5%                       | 7<br>4%                  | 65<br>6%                 |
| Don't know                 | 13<br>1%                 | 5<br>1%                  | 8<br>1%                  | 3<br>2%                  | 3<br>2%                  | 2<br>1%                  | -                        | -                        | -                        | 4<br>4%                 | 6<br>2%                  | 4<br>1%                  | 4<br>1%                  | 1<br>*                   | 8<br>2%                  | 2<br>1%                  | 2<br>1%                  | 9<br>1%                  | 4<br>1%                  | 1<br>*                   | 8<br>2%                  | 4<br>1%                  | 5<br>2%                  | 7<br>1%                        | 1<br>1%                  | 15<br>1%                 |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>878</b><br><b>76%</b> | <b>422</b><br><b>75%</b> | <b>456</b><br><b>77%</b> | <b>108</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>121</b><br><b>66%</b> | <b>156</b><br><b>72%</b> | <b>144</b><br><b>78%</b> | <b>151</b><br><b>89%</b> | <b>104</b><br><b>89%</b> | <b>95</b><br><b>85%</b> | <b>228</b><br><b>64%</b> | <b>300</b><br><b>75%</b> | <b>350</b><br><b>88%</b> | <b>276</b><br><b>89%</b> | <b>259</b><br><b>78%</b> | <b>178</b><br><b>74%</b> | <b>166</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>534</b><br><b>83%</b> | <b>344</b><br><b>67%</b> | <b>272</b><br><b>70%</b> | <b>341</b><br><b>83%</b> | <b>265</b><br><b>74%</b> | <b>205</b><br><b>67%</b> | <b>536</b><br><b>79%</b>       | <b>137</b><br><b>81%</b> | <b>875</b><br><b>76%</b> |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>171</b><br><b>15%</b> | <b>89</b><br><b>16%</b>  | <b>82</b><br><b>14%</b>  | <b>43</b><br><b>25%</b>  | <b>35</b><br><b>19%</b>  | <b>38</b><br><b>17%</b>  | <b>31</b><br><b>17%</b>  | <b>13</b><br><b>8%</b>   | <b>7</b><br><b>6%</b>    | <b>5</b><br><b>5%</b>   | <b>77</b><br><b>22%</b>  | <b>68</b><br><b>17%</b>  | <b>25</b><br><b>6%</b>   | <b>25</b><br><b>8%</b>   | <b>38</b><br><b>11%</b>  | <b>39</b><br><b>16%</b>  | <b>69</b><br><b>25%</b>  | <b>63</b><br><b>10%</b>  | <b>108</b><br><b>21%</b> | <b>77</b><br><b>20%</b>  | <b>43</b><br><b>10%</b>  | <b>51</b><br><b>14%</b>  | <b>64</b><br><b>21%</b>  | <b>88</b><br><b>13%</b>        | <b>19</b><br><b>11%</b>  | <b>162</b><br><b>14%</b> |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>707</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>334</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>373</b><br><b>63%</b> | <b>65</b><br><b>38%</b>  | <b>86</b><br><b>47%</b>  | <b>118</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>113</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>137</b><br><b>81%</b> | <b>97</b><br><b>83%</b>  | <b>90</b><br><b>81%</b> | <b>151</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>232</b><br><b>58%</b> | <b>324</b><br><b>81%</b> | <b>250</b><br><b>81%</b> | <b>221</b><br><b>66%</b> | <b>138</b><br><b>57%</b> | <b>97</b><br><b>36%</b>  | <b>471</b><br><b>73%</b> | <b>236</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>195</b><br><b>50%</b> | <b>299</b><br><b>73%</b> | <b>214</b><br><b>60%</b> | <b>141</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>449</b><br><b>66%</b>       | <b>118</b><br><b>70%</b> | <b>713</b><br><b>62%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 182

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**- It is my duty to vote -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Working status    |                   |                  | Children in household |                   | Newspaper readership |                   |                   | Education              |                   |                              |                   | Ethnicity         |                   | GO Region        |                   |                  |                   |                  |                  |                          |                  |                  |                  | Unwtd total      |                  |                   |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|
|                            | Full time         | Part time         | Not working      | Yes                   | No                | Quality              | Popular           | None              | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals.  | White             | BME               | South East       | Eastern           | London           | South West        | West Midlands    | East Midlands    | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West       | North East       | Wales            |                  | Scotland         |                   |
| Unweighted total           | 1156              | 425               | 109              | 622                   | 360               | 234                  | 201               | 445               | 548                    | 318               | 183                          | 258               | 274               | 1007              | 146              | 116               | 102              | 121               | 102              | 109              | 71                       | 91               | 122              | 68               | 97               | 157              | 1156              |
| Weighted total             | 1156              | 520               | 109              | 527                   | 372               | 287                  | 253               | 423               | 522                    | 320               | 213                          | 287               | 219               | 1054              | 100              | 162               | 110              | 147               | 103              | 104              | 87                       | 101              | 134              | 51               | 58               | 102              | 1156              |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>        | <b>306</b>        | <b>78</b>        | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b>        | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b>        | <b>313</b>        | <b>382</b>             | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>        | <b>201</b>        | <b>703</b>        | <b>115</b>       | <b>90</b>         | <b>72</b>        | <b>86</b>         | <b>79</b>        | <b>75</b>        | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>        | <b>90</b>        | <b>51</b>        | <b>76</b>        | <b>118</b>       | <b>1156</b>       |
| Strongly agree             | 534<br>46%        | 243<br>47%        | 49<br>45%        | 242<br>46%            | 150<br>40%        | 120<br>42%           | 174<br>69%        | 169<br>40%        | 214<br>41%             | 107<br>33%        | 99<br>46%                    | 178<br>62%        | 90<br>41%         | 497<br>47%        | 38<br>38%        | 90<br>56%         | 47<br>43%        | 69<br>47%         | 64<br>63%        | 42<br>41%        | 39<br>45%                | 44<br>44%        | 41<br>30%        | 23<br>46%        | 32<br>56%        | 42<br>46%        | 535               |
| Tend to agree              | 344<br>30%        | 156<br>30%        | 32<br>30%        | 155<br>29%            | 111<br>30%        | 85<br>30%            | 54<br>21%         | 144<br>34%        | 159<br>30%             | 96<br>30%         | 67<br>31%                    | 75<br>26%         | 69<br>32%         | 310<br>29%        | 33<br>33%        | 48<br>30%         | 35<br>32%        | 44<br>30%         | 26<br>25%        | 32<br>31%        | 25<br>28%                | 26<br>26%        | 53<br>40%        | 11<br>21%        | 13<br>22%        | 32<br>32%        | 340               |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 94<br>8%          | 39<br>8%          | 8<br>8%          | 46<br>9%              | 37<br>10%         | 22<br>8%             | 12<br>5%          | 31<br>7%          | 53<br>10%              | 38<br>12%         | 20<br>9%                     | 10<br>3%          | 21<br>10%         | 80<br>8%          | 13<br>13%        | 4<br>2%           | 11<br>10%        | 12<br>8%          | 3<br>3%          | 13<br>12%        | 10<br>12%                | 9<br>9%          | 12<br>9%         | 4<br>7%          | 3<br>5%          | 12<br>12%        | 104               |
| Tend to disagree           | 103<br>9%         | 43<br>8%          | 15<br>14%        | 46<br>9%              | 40<br>11%         | 36<br>13%            | 9<br>4%           | 49<br>12%         | 47<br>9%               | 42<br>13%         | 19<br>9%                     | 12<br>4%          | 24<br>11%         | 97<br>9%          | 6<br>6%          | 10<br>6%          | 9<br>8%          | 9<br>7%           | 8<br>8%          | 8<br>7%          | 6<br>7%                  | 18<br>18%        | 15<br>11%        | 10<br>19%        | 2<br>4%          | 9<br>9%          | 97                |
| Strongly disagree          | 67<br>6%          | 36<br>7%          | 3<br>3%          | 29<br>5%              | 31<br>8%          | 21<br>7%             | 1<br>*            | 27<br>6%          | 40<br>8%               | 37<br>12%         | 6<br>3%                      | 8<br>3%           | 7<br>3%           | 63<br>6%          | 4<br>4%          | 8<br>5%           | 4<br>4%          | 6<br>4%           | 2<br>2%          | 9<br>9%          | 5<br>6%                  | 3<br>3%          | 13<br>10%        | 4<br>7%          | 7<br>12%         | 5<br>5%          | 65                |
| Don't know                 | 13<br>1%          | 3<br>1%           | 1<br>1%          | 9<br>2%               | 3<br>1%           | 4<br>1%              | 2<br>1%           | 3<br>1%           | 8<br>2%                | -                 | 2<br>1%                      | 3<br>1%           | 7<br>3%           | 8<br>1%           | 5<br>5%          | 1<br>1%           | 3<br>3%          | 7<br>5%           | -                | -                | 1<br>1%                  | -                | -                | -                | -                | 1<br>1%          | 15                |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>878</b><br>76% | <b>399</b><br>77% | <b>81</b><br>75% | <b>397</b><br>75%     | <b>260</b><br>70% | <b>205</b><br>71%    | <b>228</b><br>90% | <b>313</b><br>74% | <b>373</b><br>72%      | <b>203</b><br>63% | <b>166</b><br>78%            | <b>253</b><br>88% | <b>160</b><br>73% | <b>806</b><br>76% | <b>71</b><br>71% | <b>138</b><br>86% | <b>82</b><br>75% | <b>113</b><br>77% | <b>90</b><br>88% | <b>74</b><br>71% | <b>64</b><br>74%         | <b>70</b><br>70% | <b>94</b><br>70% | <b>34</b><br>66% | <b>45</b><br>78% | <b>74</b><br>73% | <b>875</b>        |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>171</b><br>15% | <b>78</b><br>15%  | <b>18</b><br>17% | <b>74</b><br>14%      | <b>71</b><br>19%  | <b>57</b><br>20%     | <b>11</b><br>4%   | <b>76</b><br>18%  | <b>87</b><br>17%       | <b>79</b><br>25%  | <b>25</b><br>12%             | <b>20</b><br>7%   | <b>31</b><br>14%  | <b>160</b><br>15% | <b>11</b><br>11% | <b>18</b><br>11%  | <b>13</b><br>12% | <b>14</b><br>10%  | <b>10</b><br>10% | <b>17</b><br>17% | <b>11</b><br>13%         | <b>21</b><br>21% | <b>28</b><br>21% | <b>14</b><br>27% | <b>9</b><br>16%  | <b>14</b><br>14% | <b>162</b>        |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>707</b><br>61% | <b>321</b><br>62% | <b>63</b><br>58% | <b>323</b><br>61%     | <b>189</b><br>51% | <b>148</b><br>52%    | <b>217</b><br>86% | <b>237</b><br>56% | <b>286</b><br>55%      | <b>124</b><br>39% | <b>141</b><br>66%            | <b>233</b><br>81% | <b>129</b><br>59% | <b>646</b><br>61% | <b>61</b><br>61% | <b>120</b><br>74% | <b>69</b><br>63% | <b>99</b><br>67%  | <b>80</b><br>78% | <b>57</b><br>55% | <b>53</b><br>61%         | <b>49</b><br>48% | <b>66</b><br>49% | <b>20</b><br>40% | <b>36</b><br>62% | <b>60</b><br>59% | <b>713</b><br>62% |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 183

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**- It is my duty to vote -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Urbanity                 |                          |                          | Interest in politics     |                          | Likelihood to vote       |                          | Political activism        |                          | Opinion on present system |                          | Knew local MP            |                          | Unwtd total              |                          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                            | Urban                    | Rural                    | Mixed                    | Interested               | Not interested           | Certain to               | Certain not to           | Activist                  | Non-activist             | Works well                | Needs improvement        | Yes                      | No                       |                          |                          |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                     | 773                      | 145                      | 238                      | 580                      | 569                      | 627                      | 143                       | 160                      | 996                       | 327                      | 783                      | 495                      | 661                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total             | 1156                     | 784                      | 136                      | 235                      | 611                      | 539                      | 619                      | 140                       | 180                      | 976                       | 322                      | 793                      | 511                      | 645                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b>               | <b>97</b>                | <b>170</b>               | <b>404</b>               | <b>394</b>               | <b>430</b>               | <b>96</b>                 | <b>118</b>               | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b>               | <b>543</b>               | <b>339</b>               | <b>464</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Strongly agree             | 534<br>46%               | 351<br>45%               | 80<br>59%                | 104<br>44%               | 383<br>63%               | 151<br>28%               | 417<br>67%               | 18<br>13%                 | 124<br>69%               | 410<br>42%                | 156<br>49%               | 368<br>46%               | 301<br>59%               | 234<br>36%               | 535<br>46%               |
| Tend to agree              | 344<br>30%               | 235<br>30%               | 34<br>25%                | 75<br>32%                | 155<br>25%               | 187<br>35%               | 148<br>24%               | 28<br>20%                 | 39<br>22%                | 304<br>31%                | 101<br>31%               | 231<br>29%               | 132<br>26%               | 212<br>33%               | 340<br>29%               |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 94<br>8%                 | 70<br>9%                 | 9<br>7%                  | 15<br>6%                 | 25<br>4%                 | 68<br>13%                | 18<br>3%                 | 17<br>12%                 | 5<br>3%                  | 89<br>9%                  | 28<br>9%                 | 62<br>8%                 | 31<br>6%                 | 63<br>10%                | 104<br>9%                |
| Tend to disagree           | 103<br>9%                | 72<br>9%                 | 8<br>6%                  | 24<br>10%                | 25<br>4%                 | 75<br>14%                | 17<br>3%                 | 32<br>23%                 | 6<br>3%                  | 98<br>10%                 | 23<br>7%                 | 74<br>9%                 | 31<br>6%                 | 72<br>11%                | 97<br>8%                 |
| Strongly disagree          | 67<br>6%                 | 44<br>6%                 | 5<br>3%                  | 18<br>8%                 | 15<br>2%                 | 52<br>10%                | 12<br>2%                 | 40<br>29%                 | 5<br>3%                  | 63<br>6%                  | 10<br>3%                 | 55<br>7%                 | 12<br>2%                 | 55<br>9%                 | 65<br>6%                 |
| Don't know                 | 13<br>1%                 | 12<br>2%                 | 1<br>*                   | -<br>-                   | 8<br>1%                  | 5<br>1%                  | 6<br>1%                  | 4<br>3%                   | 1<br>1%                  | 12<br>1%                  | 5<br>1%                  | 3<br>*                   | 4<br>1%                  | 9<br>1%                  | 15<br>1%                 |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>878</b><br><b>76%</b> | <b>586</b><br><b>75%</b> | <b>114</b><br><b>83%</b> | <b>178</b><br><b>76%</b> | <b>538</b><br><b>88%</b> | <b>338</b><br><b>63%</b> | <b>566</b><br><b>91%</b> | <b>46</b><br><b>33%</b>   | <b>163</b><br><b>91%</b> | <b>715</b><br><b>73%</b>  | <b>257</b><br><b>80%</b> | <b>599</b><br><b>76%</b> | <b>433</b><br><b>85%</b> | <b>445</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>875</b><br><b>76%</b> |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>171</b><br><b>15%</b> | <b>116</b><br><b>15%</b> | <b>12</b><br><b>9%</b>   | <b>42</b><br><b>18%</b>  | <b>40</b><br><b>7%</b>   | <b>127</b><br><b>24%</b> | <b>29</b><br><b>5%</b>   | <b>73</b><br><b>52%</b>   | <b>11</b><br><b>6%</b>   | <b>160</b><br><b>16%</b>  | <b>32</b><br><b>10%</b>  | <b>129</b><br><b>16%</b> | <b>43</b><br><b>8%</b>   | <b>128</b><br><b>20%</b> | <b>162</b><br><b>14%</b> |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>707</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>470</b><br><b>60%</b> | <b>101</b><br><b>74%</b> | <b>136</b><br><b>58%</b> | <b>498</b><br><b>81%</b> | <b>211</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>537</b><br><b>87%</b> | <b>-27</b><br><b>-19%</b> | <b>153</b><br><b>85%</b> | <b>554</b><br><b>57%</b>  | <b>224</b><br><b>70%</b> | <b>470</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>389</b><br><b>76%</b> | <b>318</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>713</b><br><b>62%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 184

**Q.18 From this card, could you please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements:**

**- It is my duty to vote -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Quiz score               |                          |                          | Satisfaction with local MP |                          | Satisfaction with MPs in general |                          | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |                          | Use of internet          |                          | Unwtd total              |                          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                            | Total                    | Scored 0-3               | Scored 4-6               | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                           | Agree                    | Disagree                 | Use internet             |                          | Do not use internet      |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                     | 210                      | 463                      | 483                        | 459                      | 183                              | 349                      | 502                                    | 438                      | 450                      | 762                      | 394                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total             | 1156                     | 187                      | 470                      | 499                        | 444                      | 190                              | 336                      | 515                                    | 427                      | 474                      | 826                      | 330                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>               | <b>150</b>               | <b>310</b>               | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b>               | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b>               | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b>               | <b>302</b>               | <b>540</b>               | <b>269</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Strongly agree             | 534<br>46%               | 42<br>22%                | 179<br>38%               | 314<br>63%                 | 254<br>57%               | 76<br>40%                        | 189<br>56%               | 226<br>44%                             | 248<br>58%               | 182<br>38%               | 382<br>46%               | 152<br>46%               | 535<br>46%               |
| Tend to agree              | 344<br>30%               | 64<br>34%                | 149<br>32%               | 131<br>26%                 | 128<br>29%               | 51<br>27%                        | 99<br>29%                | 148<br>29%                             | 134<br>31%               | 136<br>29%               | 251<br>30%               | 93<br>28%                | 340<br>29%               |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 94<br>8%                 | 23<br>12%                | 50<br>11%                | 20<br>4%                   | 30<br>7%                 | 14<br>8%                         | 24<br>7%                 | 40<br>8%                               | 19<br>4%                 | 42<br>9%                 | 69<br>8%                 | 25<br>8%                 | 104<br>9%                |
| Tend to disagree           | 103<br>9%                | 29<br>16%                | 54<br>11%                | 20<br>4%                   | 19<br>4%                 | 22<br>11%                        | 14<br>4%                 | 55<br>11%                              | 23<br>5%                 | 57<br>12%                | 69<br>8%                 | 34<br>10%                | 97<br>8%                 |
| Strongly disagree          | 67<br>6%                 | 17<br>9%                 | 36<br>8%                 | 15<br>3%                   | 11<br>2%                 | 26<br>14%                        | 9<br>3%                  | 45<br>9%                               | 3<br>1%                  | 56<br>12%                | 49<br>6%                 | 19<br>6%                 | 65<br>6%                 |
| Don't know                 | 13<br>1%                 | 11<br>6%                 | 2<br>*                   | -<br>-                     | 1<br>*                   | -<br>-                           | 2<br>*                   | 1<br>*                                 | 2<br>*                   | 1<br>*                   | 6<br>1%                  | 7<br>2%                  | 15<br>1%                 |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>878</b><br><b>76%</b> | <b>106</b><br><b>57%</b> | <b>328</b><br><b>70%</b> | <b>444</b><br><b>89%</b>   | <b>383</b><br><b>86%</b> | <b>127</b><br><b>67%</b>         | <b>287</b><br><b>86%</b> | <b>374</b><br><b>73%</b>               | <b>381</b><br><b>89%</b> | <b>319</b><br><b>67%</b> | <b>633</b><br><b>77%</b> | <b>245</b><br><b>74%</b> | <b>875</b><br><b>76%</b> |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>171</b><br><b>15%</b> | <b>47</b><br><b>25%</b>  | <b>89</b><br><b>19%</b>  | <b>35</b><br><b>7%</b>     | <b>30</b><br><b>7%</b>   | <b>48</b><br><b>25%</b>          | <b>23</b><br><b>7%</b>   | <b>100</b><br><b>19%</b>               | <b>26</b><br><b>6%</b>   | <b>112</b><br><b>24%</b> | <b>118</b><br><b>14%</b> | <b>53</b><br><b>16%</b>  | <b>162</b><br><b>14%</b> |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>707</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>59</b><br><b>32%</b>  | <b>238</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>409</b><br><b>82%</b>   | <b>353</b><br><b>80%</b> | <b>79</b><br><b>42%</b>          | <b>264</b><br><b>79%</b> | <b>274</b><br><b>53%</b>               | <b>356</b><br><b>83%</b> | <b>207</b><br><b>44%</b> | <b>515</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>192</b><br><b>58%</b> | <b>713</b><br><b>62%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 185

**Q.18 From this card, could you please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements:**

**- It is my duty to vote -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Seat marginality         |                          |                          |                          | Segment                  |                          |                          |                          |                          |                         |                         |                          | Unwtd total               |                          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
|                            | Less than 5% majority    | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%)  | Safe (>20%)              | Politically committed    | Active campaigners       | Interested bystanders    | Detached cynics          | Politically contented    | Bored/apathetic         | Disengaged/mistrustful  | Alienated/hostile        |                           |                          |
| Unweighted total           | <b>1156</b>              | 163                      | 351                      | 386                      | 419                      | 96                       | 142                      | 146                      | 228                      | 62                      | 93                      | 287                      | 102                       | 1156                     |
| Weighted total             | <b>1156</b>              | 175                      | 373                      | 396                      | 387                      | 116                      | 157                      | 159                      | 191                      | 66                      | 92                      | 277                      | 99                        | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>               | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>               | <b>263</b>               | <b>290</b>               | <b>72</b>                | <b>101</b>               | <b>92</b>                | <b>160</b>               | <b>49</b>               | <b>66</b>               | <b>209</b>               | <b>63</b>                 | <b>1156</b>              |
| Strongly agree             | <b>534</b><br><b>46%</b> | 94<br>54%                | 206<br>55%               | 173<br>44%               | 155<br>40%               | 77<br>66%                | 121<br>77%               | 109<br>68%               | 97<br>51%                | 31<br>47%               | 33<br>36%               | 62<br>22%                | 5<br>5%                   | 535<br>46%               |
| Tend to agree              | <b>344</b><br><b>30%</b> | 55<br>31%                | 106<br>28%               | 108<br>27%               | 130<br>34%               | 31<br>27%                | 25<br>16%                | 44<br>28%                | 64<br>34%                | 29<br>44%               | 34<br>37%               | 104<br>37%               | 12<br>12%                 | 340<br>29%               |
| Neither agree nor disagree | <b>94</b><br><b>8%</b>   | 11<br>6%                 | 24<br>6%                 | 41<br>10%                | 29<br>8%                 | 4<br>3%                  | 6<br>4%                  | 1<br>1%                  | 16<br>9%                 | 3<br>4%                 | 9<br>10%                | 34<br>12%                | 21<br>21%                 | 104<br>9%                |
| Tend to disagree           | <b>103</b><br><b>9%</b>  | 8<br>5%                  | 18<br>5%                 | 56<br>14%                | 30<br>8%                 | 2<br>2%                  | 3<br>2%                  | 3<br>2%                  | 9<br>5%                  | 2<br>2%                 | 11<br>12%               | 50<br>18%                | 23<br>23%                 | 97<br>8%                 |
| Strongly disagree          | <b>67</b><br><b>6%</b>   | 7<br>4%                  | 17<br>5%                 | 17<br>4%                 | 33<br>9%                 | 1<br>1%                  | 1<br>1%                  | 1<br>1%                  | -<br>-                   | 1<br>2%                 | 4<br>5%                 | 25<br>9%                 | 33<br>34%                 | 65<br>6%                 |
| Don't know                 | <b>13</b><br><b>1%</b>   | -<br>-                   | 2<br>1%                  | 1<br>*                   | 9<br>2%                  | 1<br>1%                  | -<br>-                   | -<br>-                   | 4<br>2%                  | -<br>-                  | 1<br>1%                 | 2<br>1%                  | 5<br>6%                   | 15<br>1%                 |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>878</b><br><b>76%</b> | <b>149</b><br><b>85%</b> | <b>311</b><br><b>83%</b> | <b>281</b><br><b>71%</b> | <b>285</b><br><b>74%</b> | <b>108</b><br><b>93%</b> | <b>146</b><br><b>93%</b> | <b>153</b><br><b>96%</b> | <b>161</b><br><b>84%</b> | <b>61</b><br><b>92%</b> | <b>67</b><br><b>73%</b> | <b>165</b><br><b>60%</b> | <b>16</b><br><b>17%</b>   | <b>875</b><br><b>76%</b> |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>171</b><br><b>15%</b> | <b>15</b><br><b>9%</b>   | <b>35</b><br><b>10%</b>  | <b>72</b><br><b>18%</b>  | <b>63</b><br><b>16%</b>  | <b>3</b><br><b>3%</b>    | <b>4</b><br><b>2%</b>    | <b>5</b><br><b>3%</b>    | <b>9</b><br><b>5%</b>    | <b>3</b><br><b>4%</b>   | <b>16</b><br><b>17%</b> | <b>76</b><br><b>27%</b>  | <b>56</b><br><b>57%</b>   | <b>162</b><br><b>14%</b> |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>707</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>133</b><br><b>76%</b> | <b>276</b><br><b>74%</b> | <b>209</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>222</b><br><b>58%</b> | <b>105</b><br><b>91%</b> | <b>143</b><br><b>91%</b> | <b>149</b><br><b>93%</b> | <b>152</b><br><b>80%</b> | <b>58</b><br><b>87%</b> | <b>51</b><br><b>56%</b> | <b>90</b><br><b>32%</b>  | <b>-40</b><br><b>-40%</b> | <b>713</b><br><b>62%</b> |

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Table 186

**Q.18 From this card, could you please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements:**

**- When people like me get involved in politics, they really can change the way that the UK is run -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Gender                   |                          | Age                      |                         |                         |                           |                           |                          |                         |                         |                          |                           | Social class             |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          | Region                   |                          |                          | Marital status            |                          |                                | Unwtd total             |                          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
|                            | Male                     | Female                   | 18-24                    | 25-34                   | 35-44                   | 45-54                     | 55-64                     | 65-74                    | 75+                     | 18-34                   | 35-54                    | 55+                       | AB                       | C1                       | C2                       | DE                       | ABC1                     | C2DE                     | North                    | South                    | Mid lands                | Single                    | Married /Co-hab iting    | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |                         |                          |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                     | 552                      | 604                      | 138                     | 207                     | 206                       | 141                       | 170                      | 159                     | 135                     | 345                      | 347                       | 464                      | 224                      | 353                      | 257                      | 322                      | 577                      | 579                      | 438                      | 339                      | 379                       | 290                      | 669                            | 197                     | 1156                     |
| Weighted total             | 1156                     | 561                      | 595                      | 173                     | 183                     | 216                       | 186                       | 169                      | 117                     | 111                     | 356                      | 402                       | 398                      | 310                      | 333                      | 241                      | 272                      | 642                      | 514                      | 387                      | 411                      | 358                       | 306                      | 681                            | 169                     | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>               | <b>391</b>               | <b>410</b>               | <b>98</b>               | <b>145</b>              | <b>149</b>                | <b>105</b>                | <b>117</b>               | <b>135</b>              | <b>87</b>               | <b>236</b>               | <b>323</b>                | <b>161</b>               | <b>256</b>               | <b>191</b>               | <b>222</b>               | <b>401</b>               | <b>413</b>               | <b>312</b>               | <b>250</b>               | <b>251</b>               | <b>203</b>                | <b>463</b>               | <b>139</b>                     | <b>1156</b>             |                          |
| Strongly agree             | 59<br>5%                 | 33<br>6%                 | 27<br>4%                 | 15<br>8%                | 8<br>4%                 | 8<br>4%                   | 6<br>3%                   | 12<br>7%                 | 6<br>5%                 | 4<br>4%                 | 23<br>6%                 | 14<br>4%                  | 22<br>6%                 | 14<br>4%                 | 26<br>8%                 | 8<br>3%                  | 11<br>4%                 | 40<br>6%                 | 19<br>4%                 | 12<br>3%                 | 32<br>8%                 | 15<br>4%                  | 20<br>6%                 | 34<br>5%                       | 5<br>3%                 | 65<br>6%                 |
| Tend to agree              | 368<br>32%               | 189<br>34%               | 179<br>30%               | 47<br>27%               | 64<br>35%               | 64<br>30%                 | 53<br>29%                 | 52<br>31%                | 43<br>37%               | 45<br>40%               | 111<br>31%               | 117<br>29%                | 140<br>35%               | 107<br>35%               | 104<br>31%               | 78<br>32%                | 79<br>29%                | 211<br>33%               | 157<br>31%               | 134<br>35%               | 126<br>31%               | 108<br>30%                | 96<br>31%                | 203<br>30%                     | 69<br>41%               | 373<br>32%               |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 214<br>19%               | 98<br>17%                | 116<br>20%               | 39<br>22%               | 33<br>18%               | 34<br>16%                 | 43<br>23%                 | 28<br>16%                | 20<br>17%               | 18<br>16%               | 72<br>20%                | 77<br>19%                 | 65<br>16%                | 60<br>19%                | 55<br>16%                | 46<br>19%                | 53<br>20%                | 114<br>18%               | 100<br>19%               | 61<br>16%                | 88<br>22%                | 64<br>18%                 | 58<br>19%                | 125<br>18%                     | 31<br>18%               | 216<br>19%               |
| Tend to disagree           | 352<br>30%               | 166<br>30%               | 186<br>31%               | 48<br>27%               | 51<br>28%               | 82<br>38%                 | 55<br>30%                 | 54<br>32%                | 37<br>32%               | 25<br>23%               | 99<br>28%                | 137<br>34%                | 116<br>29%               | 101<br>33%               | 110<br>33%               | 70<br>29%                | 72<br>26%                | 210<br>33%               | 142<br>28%               | 117<br>30%               | 122<br>30%               | 112<br>31%                | 95<br>31%                | 212<br>31%                     | 45<br>26%               | 332<br>29%               |
| Strongly disagree          | 122<br>11%               | 62<br>11%                | 60<br>10%                | 17<br>10%               | 19<br>11%               | 20<br>9%                  | 26<br>14%                 | 22<br>13%                | 10<br>9%                | 8<br>7%                 | 36<br>10%                | 46<br>11%                 | 40<br>10%                | 25<br>8%                 | 25<br>8%                 | 31<br>13%                | 40<br>15%                | 50<br>8%                 | 71<br>14%                | 49<br>13%                | 27<br>7%                 | 45<br>13%                 | 28<br>9%                 | 83<br>12%                      | 12<br>7%                | 118<br>10%               |
| Don't know                 | 41<br>4%                 | 14<br>2%                 | 27<br>5%                 | 8<br>5%                 | 8<br>4%                 | 8<br>4%                   | 2<br>1%                   | 2<br>1%                  | 1<br>1%                 | 11<br>10%               | 16<br>5%                 | 14<br>3%                  | 14<br>4%                 | 3<br>1%                  | 13<br>4%                 | 8<br>3%                  | 17<br>6%                 | 16<br>2%                 | 25<br>5%                 | 12<br>3%                 | 15<br>4%                 | 13<br>4%                  | 10<br>3%                 | 23<br>3%                       | 7<br>4%                 | 52<br>4%                 |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>427</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>221</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>206</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>62</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>72</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>72</b><br><b>33%</b>   | <b>59</b><br><b>32%</b>   | <b>64</b><br><b>38%</b>  | <b>49</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>49</b><br><b>44%</b> | <b>134</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>131</b><br><b>33%</b>  | <b>162</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>120</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>131</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>86</b><br><b>36%</b>  | <b>90</b><br><b>33%</b>  | <b>251</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>176</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>147</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>158</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>123</b><br><b>34%</b>  | <b>115</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>237</b><br><b>35%</b>       | <b>75</b><br><b>44%</b> | <b>438</b><br><b>38%</b> |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>474</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>229</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>245</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>64</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>71</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>102</b><br><b>47%</b>  | <b>81</b><br><b>44%</b>   | <b>76</b><br><b>45%</b>  | <b>47</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>33</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>135</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>183</b><br><b>46%</b>  | <b>156</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>126</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>135</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>101</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>113</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>261</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>213</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>167</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>150</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>158</b><br><b>44%</b>  | <b>123</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>295</b><br><b>43%</b>       | <b>56</b><br><b>33%</b> | <b>450</b><br><b>39%</b> |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>-47</b><br><b>-4%</b> | <b>-7</b><br><b>-1%</b>  | <b>-40</b><br><b>-7%</b> | <b>-2</b><br><b>-1%</b> | <b>1</b><br><b>1%</b>   | <b>-30</b><br><b>-14%</b> | <b>-22</b><br><b>-12%</b> | <b>-12</b><br><b>-7%</b> | <b>2</b><br><b>1%</b>   | <b>16</b><br><b>15%</b> | <b>-1</b><br><b>*</b>    | <b>-52</b><br><b>-13%</b> | <b>6</b><br><b>1%</b>    | <b>-6</b><br><b>-2%</b>  | <b>-4</b><br><b>-1%</b>  | <b>-14</b><br><b>-6%</b> | <b>-23</b><br><b>-8%</b> | <b>-10</b><br><b>-2%</b> | <b>-37</b><br><b>-7%</b> | <b>-20</b><br><b>-5%</b> | <b>8</b><br><b>2%</b>    | <b>-35</b><br><b>-10%</b> | <b>-8</b><br><b>-3%</b>  | <b>-57</b><br><b>-8%</b>       | <b>18</b><br><b>11%</b> | <b>-12</b><br><b>-1%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
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Table 187

**Q.18 From this card, could you please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements:**

**- When people like me get involved in politics, they really can change the way that the UK is run -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Working status           |                          |                           | Children in household    |                           | Newspaper readership     |                          |                          | Education                |                           |                              |                          | Ethnicity               |                          | GO Region               |                         |                         |                         |                           |                         |                           |                           |                         |                         | Unwtd total               |                         |                          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
|                            | Full time                | Part time                | Not working               | Yes                      | No                        | Quality                  | Popular                  | None                     | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12   | A-Level or equiv.         | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals.         | White                   | BME                      | South East              | Eastern                 | London                  | South West              | West Midlands             | East Midlands           | Yorkshire and Humberside  | North West                | North East              | Wales                   |                           | Scotland                |                          |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                     | 425                      | 109                       | 622                      | 360                       | 234                      | 201                      | 445                      | 548                      | 318                       | 183                          | 258                      | 274                     | 1007                     | 146                     | 116                     | 102                     | 121                     | 102                       | 109                     | 71                        | 91                        | 122                     | 68                      | 97                        | 157                     | 1156                     |
| Weighted total             | 1156                     | 520                      | 109                       | 527                      | 372                       | 287                      | 253                      | 423                      | 522                      | 320                       | 213                          | 287                      | 219                     | 1054                     | 100                     | 162                     | 110                     | 147                     | 103                       | 104                     | 87                        | 101                       | 134                     | 51                      | 58                        | 102                     | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>               | <b>306</b>               | <b>78</b>                 | <b>438</b>               | <b>245</b>                | <b>163</b>               | <b>143</b>               | <b>313</b>               | <b>382</b>               | <b>224</b>                | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>               | <b>201</b>              | <b>703</b>               | <b>115</b>              | <b>90</b>               | <b>72</b>               | <b>86</b>               | <b>79</b>                 | <b>75</b>               | <b>48</b>                 | <b>71</b>                 | <b>90</b>               | <b>51</b>               | <b>76</b>                 | <b>118</b>              | <b>1156</b>              |
| Strongly agree             | 59<br>5%                 | 28<br>5%                 | 7<br>6%                   | 24<br>5%                 | 17<br>5%                  | 12<br>4%                 | 20<br>5%                 | 28<br>5%                 | 12<br>4%                 | 16<br>7%                  | 17<br>6%                     | 9<br>4%                  | 50<br>5%                | 8<br>8%                  | 12<br>7%                | 1<br>1%                 | 12<br>8%                | 8<br>7%                 | 6<br>6%                   | 3<br>4%                 | 4<br>4%                   | 3<br>2%                   | 1<br>2%                 | 4<br>8%                 | 5<br>5%                   | 65<br>6%                |                          |
| Tend to agree              | 368<br>32%               | 163<br>31%               | 23<br>21%                 | 182<br>35%               | 106<br>29%                | 95<br>33%                | 76<br>30%                | 148<br>35%               | 157<br>30%               | 82<br>26%                 | 65<br>31%                    | 108<br>38%               | 70<br>32%               | 329<br>31%               | 38<br>38%               | 51<br>32%               | 41<br>37%               | 45<br>31%               | 29<br>28%                 | 33<br>32%               | 21<br>24%                 | 27<br>27%                 | 58<br>43%               | 17<br>33%               | 13<br>22%                 | 32<br>32%               | 373<br>32%               |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 214<br>19%               | 97<br>19%                | 28<br>26%                 | 89<br>17%                | 61<br>16%                 | 55<br>19%                | 55<br>22%                | 80<br>19%                | 87<br>17%                | 62<br>19%                 | 44<br>21%                    | 49<br>17%                | 38<br>17%               | 194<br>18%               | 20<br>20%               | 35<br>22%               | 13<br>12%               | 36<br>25%               | 17<br>17%                 | 18<br>17%               | 23<br>27%                 | 14<br>14%                 | 13<br>10%               | 11<br>21%               | 11<br>18%                 | 23<br>23%               | 216<br>19%               |
| Tend to disagree           | 352<br>30%               | 166<br>32%               | 42<br>39%                 | 144<br>27%               | 130<br>35%                | 79<br>28%                | 88<br>35%                | 117<br>28%               | 163<br>31%               | 110<br>34%                | 66<br>31%                    | 84<br>29%                | 57<br>26%               | 332<br>32%               | 20<br>20%               | 47<br>29%               | 36<br>33%               | 36<br>25%               | 39<br>38%                 | 29<br>28%               | 29<br>34%                 | 37<br>37%                 | 39<br>29%               | 14<br>27%               | 18<br>31%                 | 27<br>27%               | 332<br>29%               |
| Strongly disagree          | 122<br>11%               | 55<br>11%                | 8<br>7%                   | 59<br>11%                | 43<br>12%                 | 37<br>13%                | 19<br>8%                 | 45<br>11%                | 63<br>12%                | 42<br>13%                 | 18<br>9%                     | 24<br>8%                 | 25<br>11%               | 117<br>11%               | 5<br>5%                 | 12<br>7%                | 14<br>12%               | 7<br>5%                 | 8<br>8%                   | 15<br>15%               | 7<br>9%                   | 14<br>14%                 | 17<br>13%               | 7<br>15%                | 9<br>16%                  | 11<br>11%               | 118<br>10%               |
| Don't know                 | 41<br>4%                 | 11<br>2%                 | 1<br>1%                   | 28<br>5%                 | 14<br>4%                  | 9<br>3%                  | 3<br>1%                  | 14<br>3%                 | 24<br>5%                 | 12<br>4%                  | 3<br>2%                      | 4<br>1%                  | 20<br>9%                | 31<br>3%                 | 9<br>9%                 | 5<br>3%                 | 6<br>5%                 | 9<br>6%                 | 2<br>2%                   | 2<br>2%                 | 2<br>3%                   | 5<br>5%                   | 3<br>2%                 | 1<br>3%                 | 3<br>5%                   | 3<br>3%                 | 52<br>4%                 |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>427</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>191</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>30</b><br><b>28%</b>   | <b>207</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>123</b><br><b>33%</b>  | <b>107</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>88</b><br><b>35%</b>  | <b>168</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>185</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>94</b><br><b>29%</b>   | <b>81</b><br><b>38%</b>      | <b>126</b><br><b>44%</b> | <b>80</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>379</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>46</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>63</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>42</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>58</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>37</b><br><b>36%</b>   | <b>39</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>24</b><br><b>28%</b>   | <b>31</b><br><b>31%</b>   | <b>61</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>18</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>17</b><br><b>30%</b>   | <b>37</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>438</b><br><b>38%</b> |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>474</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>220</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>50</b><br><b>46%</b>   | <b>203</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>173</b><br><b>47%</b>  | <b>116</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>107</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>162</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>225</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>152</b><br><b>48%</b>  | <b>85</b><br><b>40%</b>      | <b>108</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>82</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>450</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>24</b><br><b>24%</b> | <b>58</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>50</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>44</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>48</b><br><b>46%</b>   | <b>44</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>37</b><br><b>42%</b>   | <b>51</b><br><b>51%</b>   | <b>57</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>21</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>27</b><br><b>47%</b>   | <b>38</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>450</b><br><b>39%</b> |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>-47</b><br><b>-4%</b> | <b>-30</b><br><b>-6%</b> | <b>-20</b><br><b>-19%</b> | <b>3</b><br><b>1%</b>    | <b>-50</b><br><b>-14%</b> | <b>-10</b><br><b>-3%</b> | <b>-19</b><br><b>-8%</b> | <b>6</b><br><b>1%</b>    | <b>-40</b><br><b>-8%</b> | <b>-58</b><br><b>-18%</b> | <b>-3</b><br><b>-2%</b>      | <b>17</b><br><b>6%</b>   | <b>-2</b><br><b>-1%</b> | <b>-70</b><br><b>-7%</b> | <b>22</b><br><b>22%</b> | <b>5</b><br><b>3%</b>   | <b>-8</b><br><b>-7%</b> | <b>14</b><br><b>9%</b>  | <b>-11</b><br><b>-11%</b> | <b>-5</b><br><b>-5%</b> | <b>-12</b><br><b>-14%</b> | <b>-20</b><br><b>-20%</b> | <b>4</b><br><b>3%</b>   | <b>-3</b><br><b>-6%</b> | <b>-10</b><br><b>-17%</b> | <b>-1</b><br><b>-1%</b> | <b>-12</b><br><b>-1%</b> |

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Table 188

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Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Urbanity                 |                          |                         | Interest in politics    |                          | Likelihood to vote         |                          | Political activism        |                         | Opinion on present system |                          | Knew local MP              |                          | Unwtd total              |                          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                            | Urban                    | Rural                    | Mixed                   | Interested              | Not interested           | Certain to                 | Certain not to           | Activist                  | Non-activist            | Works well                | Needs improvement        | Yes                        | No                       |                          |                          |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                     | 773                      | 145                     | 238                     | 580                      | 569                        | 627                      | 143                       | 160                     | 996                       | 327                      | 783                        | 495                      | 661                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total             | 1156                     | 784                      | 136                     | 235                     | 611                      | 539                        | 619                      | 140                       | 180                     | 976                       | 322                      | 793                        | 511                      | 645                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b>               | <b>97</b>               | <b>170</b>              | <b>404</b>               | <b>394</b>                 | <b>430</b>               | <b>96</b>                 | <b>118</b>              | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b>               | <b>543</b>                 | <b>339</b>               | <b>464</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Strongly agree             | 59<br>5%                 | 40<br>5%                 | 9<br>6%                 | 11<br>4%                | 46<br>8%                 | 13<br>2%                   | 44<br>7%                 | 1<br>1%                   | 12<br>7%                | 47<br>5%                  | 24<br>7%                 | 35<br>4%                   | 34<br>7%                 | 25<br>4%                 | 65<br>6%                 |
| Tend to agree              | 368<br>32%               | 245<br>31%               | 45<br>33%               | 78<br>33%               | 226<br>37%               | 138<br>26%                 | 232<br>38%               | 36<br>26%                 | 73<br>41%               | 295<br>30%                | 123<br>38%               | 239<br>30%                 | 165<br>32%               | 203<br>31%               | 373<br>32%               |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 214<br>19%               | 146<br>19%               | 20<br>15%               | 48<br>20%               | 118<br>19%               | 96<br>18%                  | 101<br>16%               | 20<br>14%                 | 34<br>19%               | 180<br>18%                | 71<br>22%                | 132<br>17%                 | 97<br>19%                | 117<br>18%               | 216<br>19%               |
| Tend to disagree           | 352<br>30%               | 238<br>30%               | 43<br>31%               | 71<br>30%               | 171<br>28%               | 180<br>33%                 | 183<br>30%               | 35<br>25%                 | 50<br>28%               | 302<br>31%                | 75<br>23%                | 271<br>34%                 | 164<br>32%               | 188<br>29%               | 332<br>29%               |
| Strongly disagree          | 122<br>11%               | 82<br>10%                | 17<br>13%               | 23<br>10%               | 42<br>7%                 | 79<br>15%                  | 42<br>7%                 | 41<br>29%                 | 10<br>6%                | 112<br>11%                | 15<br>5%                 | 104<br>13%                 | 41<br>8%                 | 81<br>13%                | 118<br>10%               |
| Don't know                 | 41<br>4%                 | 33<br>4%                 | 2<br>1%                 | 6<br>2%                 | 9<br>1%                  | 32<br>6%                   | 16<br>3%                 | 7<br>5%                   | -<br>-                  | 41<br>4%                  | 14<br>4%                 | 13<br>2%                   | 9<br>2%                  | 32<br>5%                 | 52<br>4%                 |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>427</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>285</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>53</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>88</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>272</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>151</b><br><b>28%</b>   | <b>276</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>37</b><br><b>27%</b>   | <b>85</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>342</b><br><b>35%</b>  | <b>147</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>274</b><br><b>35%</b>   | <b>199</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>228</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>438</b><br><b>38%</b> |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>474</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>320</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>60</b><br><b>44%</b> | <b>94</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>213</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>259</b><br><b>48%</b>   | <b>226</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>75</b><br><b>54%</b>   | <b>60</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>414</b><br><b>42%</b>  | <b>90</b><br><b>28%</b>  | <b>375</b><br><b>47%</b>   | <b>205</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>269</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>450</b><br><b>39%</b> |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>-47</b><br><b>-4%</b> | <b>-35</b><br><b>-4%</b> | <b>-7</b><br><b>-5%</b> | <b>-5</b><br><b>-2%</b> | <b>59</b><br><b>10%</b>  | <b>-108</b><br><b>-20%</b> | <b>50</b><br><b>8%</b>   | <b>-38</b><br><b>-27%</b> | <b>25</b><br><b>14%</b> | <b>-72</b><br><b>-7%</b>  | <b>57</b><br><b>18%</b>  | <b>-101</b><br><b>-13%</b> | <b>-6</b><br><b>-1%</b>  | <b>-41</b><br><b>-6%</b> | <b>-12</b><br><b>-1%</b> |

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|                            | Quiz score               |                         |                           | Satisfaction with local MP |                          | Satisfaction with MPs in general |                          | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |                           | Use of internet             |                          | Unwtd total              |                          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|---------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                            | Total                    | Scored 0-3              | Scored 4-6                | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                           | Agree                     | Disagree                    | Use internet             |                          | Do not use internet      |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                     | 210                     | 463                       | 483                        | 459                      | 183                              | 349                      | 502                                    | 438                       | 450                         | 762                      | 394                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total             | 1156                     | 187                     | 470                       | 499                        | 444                      | 190                              | 336                      | 515                                    | 427                       | 474                         | 826                      | 330                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>               | <b>150</b>              | <b>310</b>                | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b>               | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b>               | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b>                | <b>302</b>                  | <b>540</b>               | <b>269</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Strongly agree             | 59<br>5%                 | 1<br>1%                 | 33<br>7%                  | 25<br>5%                   | 24<br>5%                 | 11<br>6%                         | 23<br>7%                 | 26<br>5%                               | 59<br>14%                 | -                           | 47<br>6%                 | 12<br>4%                 | 65<br>6%                 |
| Tend to agree              | 368<br>32%               | 60<br>32%               | 133<br>28%                | 175<br>35%                 | 173<br>39%               | 60<br>31%                        | 147<br>44%               | 114<br>22%                             | 368<br>86%                | -                           | 254<br>31%               | 114<br>35%               | 373<br>32%               |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 214<br>19%               | 27<br>15%               | 87<br>18%                 | 100<br>20%                 | 90<br>20%                | 22<br>12%                        | 59<br>17%                | 87<br>17%                              | -                         | -                           | 154<br>19%               | 60<br>18%                | 216<br>19%               |
| Tend to disagree           | 352<br>30%               | 40<br>21%               | 165<br>35%                | 147<br>30%                 | 115<br>26%               | 58<br>31%                        | 78<br>23%                | 203<br>39%                             | -                         | 352<br>74%                  | 263<br>32%               | 89<br>27%                | 332<br>29%               |
| Strongly disagree          | 122<br>11%               | 29<br>15%               | 46<br>10%                 | 48<br>10%                  | 33<br>7%                 | 34<br>18%                        | 20<br>6%                 | 75<br>15%                              | -                         | 122<br>26%                  | 89<br>11%                | 33<br>10%                | 118<br>10%               |
| Don't know                 | 41<br>4%                 | 30<br>16%               | 7<br>1%                   | 4<br>1%                    | 9<br>2%                  | 4<br>2%                          | 9<br>3%                  | 10<br>2%                               | -                         | -                           | 19<br>2%                 | 21<br>6%                 | 52<br>4%                 |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>427</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>61</b><br><b>33%</b> | <b>166</b><br><b>35%</b>  | <b>200</b><br><b>40%</b>   | <b>197</b><br><b>44%</b> | <b>71</b><br><b>37%</b>          | <b>170</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>140</b><br><b>27%</b>               | <b>427</b><br><b>100%</b> | <b>-</b>                    | <b>302</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>126</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>438</b><br><b>38%</b> |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>474</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>68</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>210</b><br><b>45%</b>  | <b>195</b><br><b>39%</b>   | <b>148</b><br><b>33%</b> | <b>93</b><br><b>49%</b>          | <b>98</b><br><b>29%</b>  | <b>278</b><br><b>54%</b>               | <b>-</b>                  | <b>474</b><br><b>100%</b>   | <b>352</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>122</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>450</b><br><b>39%</b> |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>-47</b><br><b>-4%</b> | <b>-7</b><br><b>-4%</b> | <b>-45</b><br><b>-10%</b> | <b>5</b><br><b>1%</b>      | <b>49</b><br><b>11%</b>  | <b>-22</b><br><b>-12%</b>        | <b>73</b><br><b>22%</b>  | <b>-138</b><br><b>-27%</b>             | <b>427</b><br><b>100%</b> | <b>-474</b><br><b>-100%</b> | <b>-50</b><br><b>-6%</b> | <b>3</b><br><b>1%</b>    | <b>-12</b><br><b>-1%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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Table 190

**Q.18 From this card, could you please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements:**

**- When people like me get involved in politics, they really can change the way that the UK is run -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |                   | Segment               |                    |                       |                  |                       |                  |                        |                   | Unwtd total        |                   |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------|------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
|                            | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%)       | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics  | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic  | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |                    |                   |
| Unweighted total           | <b>1156</b>           | 163                      | 351                     | 386               | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146              | 228                   | 62               | 93                     | 287               | 102                | 1156              |
| Weighted total             | <b>1156</b>           | 175                      | 373                     | 396               | 387                   | 116                | 157                   | 159              | 191                   | 66               | 92                     | 277               | 99                 | 1156              |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>            | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>              | <b>263</b>        | <b>290</b>            | <b>72</b>          | <b>101</b>            | <b>92</b>        | <b>160</b>            | <b>49</b>        | <b>66</b>              | <b>209</b>        | <b>63</b>          | <b>1156</b>       |
| Strongly agree             | <b>59</b><br>5%       | 16<br>9%                 | 29<br>8%                | 18<br>5%          | 12<br>3%              | 4<br>4%            | 12<br>8%              | 7<br>5%          | 13<br>7%              | 2<br>3%          | 8<br>9%                | 11<br>4%          | 1<br>1%            | 65<br>6%          |
| Tend to agree              | <b>368</b><br>32%     | 60<br>34%                | 131<br>35%              | 114<br>29%        | 122<br>32%            | 40<br>34%          | 64<br>41%             | 51<br>32%        | 53<br>28%             | 22<br>33%        | 41<br>45%              | 81<br>29%         | 16<br>17%          | 373<br>32%        |
| Neither agree nor disagree | <b>214</b><br>19%     | 25<br>15%                | 57<br>15%               | 86<br>22%         | 71<br>18%             | 21<br>18%          | 29<br>18%             | 36<br>22%        | 31<br>16%             | 19<br>30%        | 9<br>10%               | 55<br>20%         | 14<br>14%          | 216<br>19%        |
| Tend to disagree           | <b>352</b><br>30%     | 59<br>34%                | 119<br>32%              | 122<br>31%        | 111<br>29%            | 44<br>38%          | 45<br>28%             | 48<br>30%        | 62<br>33%             | 19<br>28%        | 21<br>23%              | 89<br>32%         | 24<br>24%          | 332<br>29%        |
| Strongly disagree          | <b>122</b><br>11%     | 11<br>6%                 | 27<br>7%                | 45<br>11%         | 49<br>13%             | 7<br>6%            | 7<br>5%               | 16<br>10%        | 17<br>9%              | 4<br>6%          | 12<br>13%              | 27<br>10%         | 33<br>33%          | 118<br>10%        |
| Don't know                 | <b>41</b><br>4%       | 4<br>2%                  | 8<br>2%                 | 11<br>3%          | 21<br>5%              | -                  | -                     | 1<br>1%          | 15<br>8%              | -                | 1<br>1%                | 14<br>5%          | 11<br>11%          | 52<br>4%          |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>427</b><br>37%     | <b>76</b><br>43%         | <b>160</b><br>43%       | <b>133</b><br>33% | <b>135</b><br>35%     | <b>44</b><br>38%   | <b>76</b><br>49%      | <b>58</b><br>37% | <b>66</b><br>34%      | <b>24</b><br>36% | <b>49</b><br>54%       | <b>93</b><br>33%  | <b>17</b><br>18%   | <b>438</b><br>38% |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>474</b><br>41%     | <b>70</b><br>40%         | <b>147</b><br>39%       | <b>167</b><br>42% | <b>160</b><br>41%     | <b>51</b><br>44%   | <b>52</b><br>33%      | <b>64</b><br>40% | <b>79</b><br>41%      | <b>22</b><br>34% | <b>33</b><br>36%       | <b>115</b><br>42% | <b>57</b><br>58%   | <b>450</b><br>39% |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>-47</b><br>-4%     | <b>6</b><br>3%           | <b>13</b><br>4%         | <b>-34</b><br>-9% | <b>-26</b><br>-7%     | <b>-7</b><br>-6%   | <b>24</b><br>16%      | <b>-6</b><br>-4% | <b>-14</b><br>-7%     | <b>2</b><br>2%   | <b>16</b><br>18%       | <b>-23</b><br>-8% | <b>-39</b><br>-40% | <b>-12</b><br>-1% |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 191

**Q.18 From this card, could you please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements:**

**- Summary -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Politics is a waste of time | Voting in a General Election gives me a say in how the country is run | It is my duty to vote    | When people like me get involved in politics, they really can change the way that the UK is run |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|---|--------------------------|---|
| Unweighted total           | 1156                        | 1156  | 1156                     | 1156  |
| Weighted total             | 1156                        | 1156  | 1156                     | 1156  |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>                  | <b>801</b>  | <b>801</b>               | <b>801</b>  |
| Strongly agree             | 70<br>6%                    | 178<br>15%  | 534<br>46%               | 59<br>5%  |
| Tend to agree              | 168<br>15%                  | 501<br>43%  | 344<br>30%               | 368<br>32%  |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 135<br>12%                  | 130<br>11%  | 94<br>8%                 | 214<br>19%  |
| Tend to disagree           | 472<br>41%                  | 233<br>20%  | 103<br>9%                | 352<br>30%  |
| Strongly disagree          | 294<br>25%                  | 95<br>8%  | 67<br>6%                 | 122<br>11%  |
| Don't know                 | 17<br>1%                    | 21<br>2%  | 13<br>1%                 | 41<br>4%  |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>238</b><br><b>21%</b>    | <b>678</b><br><b>59%</b>  | <b>878</b><br><b>76%</b> | <b>427</b><br><b>37%</b>  |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>766</b><br><b>66%</b>    | <b>327</b><br><b>28%</b>  | <b>171</b><br><b>15%</b> | <b>474</b><br><b>41%</b>  |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>-528</b><br><b>-46%</b>  | <b>351</b><br><b>30%</b>  | <b>707</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>-47</b><br><b>-4%</b>  |

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Table 192

**Q.19 From this card, could you please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements. The Westminster Parliament...**

**- ...holds government to account -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Gender                   |                          | Age                      |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                          |                          | Social class             |                          |                          |                         |                         |                          | Region                   |                          |                          | Marital status           |                          |                                | Unwtd total             |                          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
|                            | Male                     | Female                   | 18-24                    | 25-34                   | 35-44                   | 45-54                   | 55-64                   | 65-74                   | 75+                     | 18-34                   | 35-54                    | 55+                      | AB                       | C1                       | C2                       | DE                      | ABC1                    | C2DE                     | North                    | South                    | Mid lands                | Single                   | Married /Co-hab iting    | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |                         |                          |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                     | 552                      | 604                      | 138                     | 207                     | 206                     | 141                     | 170                     | 159                     | 135                     | 345                      | 347                      | 464                      | 224                      | 353                      | 257                     | 322                     | 577                      | 579                      | 438                      | 339                      | 379                      | 290                      | 669                            | 197                     | 1156                     |
| Weighted total             | 1156                     | 561                      | 595                      | 173                     | 183                     | 216                     | 186                     | 169                     | 117                     | 111                     | 356                      | 402                      | 398                      | 310                      | 333                      | 241                     | 272                     | 642                      | 514                      | 387                      | 411                      | 358                      | 306                      | 681                            | 169                     | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>               | <b>391</b>               | <b>410</b>               | <b>98</b>               | <b>145</b>              | <b>149</b>              | <b>105</b>              | <b>117</b>              | <b>135</b>              | <b>87</b>               | <b>236</b>               | <b>323</b>               | <b>161</b>               | <b>256</b>               | <b>191</b>               | <b>222</b>              | <b>401</b>              | <b>413</b>               | <b>312</b>               | <b>250</b>               | <b>251</b>               | <b>203</b>               | <b>463</b>               | <b>139</b>                     | <b>1156</b>             |                          |
| Strongly agree             | 41<br>4%                 | 22<br>4%                 | 19<br>3%                 | 4<br>2%                 | 4<br>2%                 | 6<br>3%                 | 7<br>4%                 | 9<br>5%                 | 6<br>5%                 | 6<br>5%                 | 7<br>2%                  | 13<br>3%                 | 21<br>5%                 | 17<br>5%                 | 11<br>3%                 | 9<br>4%                 | 3<br>1%                 | 28<br>4%                 | 13<br>2%                 | 11<br>3%                 | 16<br>4%                 | 14<br>4%                 | 9<br>3%                  | 23<br>3%                       | 9<br>5%                 | 45<br>4%                 |
| Tend to agree              | 412<br>36%               | 215<br>38%               | 197<br>33%               | 47<br>27%               | 60<br>33%               | 83<br>38%               | 65<br>35%               | 70<br>41%               | 43<br>36%               | 45<br>40%               | 107<br>30%               | 148<br>37%               | 157<br>39%               | 125<br>41%               | 133<br>40%               | 79<br>33%               | 74<br>27%               | 259<br>40%               | 153<br>30%               | 141<br>36%               | 152<br>37%               | 119<br>33%               | 105<br>34%               | 238<br>35%                     | 69<br>41%               | 412<br>36%               |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 234<br>20%               | 102<br>18%               | 132<br>22%               | 44<br>25%               | 54<br>29%               | 47<br>22%               | 29<br>16%               | 17<br>10%               | 22<br>19%               | 21<br>18%               | 98<br>27%                | 77<br>19%                | 59<br>15%                | 52<br>17%                | 67<br>20%                | 51<br>21%               | 64<br>24%               | 118<br>18%               | 115<br>22%               | 82<br>21%                | 77<br>19%                | 75<br>21%                | 77<br>25%                | 124<br>18%                     | 33<br>20%               | 241<br>21%               |
| Tend to disagree           | 249<br>22%               | 131<br>23%               | 118<br>20%               | 36<br>21%               | 26<br>14%               | 43<br>20%               | 49<br>26%               | 44<br>26%               | 31<br>26%               | 19<br>17%               | 62<br>17%                | 92<br>23%                | 94<br>24%                | 83<br>27%                | 65<br>19%                | 46<br>19%               | 55<br>20%               | 148<br>23%               | 101<br>20%               | 68<br>18%                | 93<br>23%                | 88<br>25%                | 51<br>17%                | 168<br>25%                     | 30<br>18%               | 223<br>19%               |
| Strongly disagree          | 63<br>5%                 | 35<br>6%                 | 28<br>5%                 | 6<br>3%                 | 9<br>5%                 | 10<br>5%                | 19<br>10%               | 10<br>6%                | 5<br>4%                 | 4<br>3%                 | 15<br>4%                 | 29<br>7%                 | 19<br>5%                 | 11<br>4%                 | 23<br>7%                 | 13<br>5%                | 16<br>6%                | 34<br>5%                 | 29<br>6%                 | 17<br>4%                 | 22<br>5%                 | 25<br>7%                 | 13<br>4%                 | 41<br>6%                       | 9<br>5%                 | 66<br>6%                 |
| Don't know                 | 158<br>14%               | 57<br>10%                | 101<br>17%               | 37<br>21%               | 31<br>17%               | 27<br>13%               | 15<br>8%                | 20<br>12%               | 10<br>9%                | 18<br>16%               | 68<br>19%                | 43<br>11%                | 48<br>12%                | 21<br>7%                 | 34<br>10%                | 43<br>18%               | 60<br>22%               | 55<br>9%                 | 103<br>20%               | 68<br>18%                | 52<br>13%                | 38<br>11%                | 51<br>17%                | 88<br>13%                      | 19<br>11%               | 169<br>15%               |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>453</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>237</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>216</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>50</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>64</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>88</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>73</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>79</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>49</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>50</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>114</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>161</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>178</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>142</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>145</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>89</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>77</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>287</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>166</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>152</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>168</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>133</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>114</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>261</b><br><b>38%</b>       | <b>78</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>457</b><br><b>40%</b> |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>312</b><br><b>27%</b> | <b>165</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>146</b><br><b>25%</b> | <b>42</b><br><b>24%</b> | <b>35</b><br><b>19%</b> | <b>53</b><br><b>25%</b> | <b>68</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>54</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>36</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>23</b><br><b>21%</b> | <b>77</b><br><b>22%</b>  | <b>121</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>113</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>94</b><br><b>30%</b>  | <b>87</b><br><b>26%</b>  | <b>59</b><br><b>25%</b> | <b>71</b><br><b>26%</b> | <b>182</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>130</b><br><b>25%</b> | <b>85</b><br><b>22%</b>  | <b>114</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>113</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>64</b><br><b>21%</b>  | <b>209</b><br><b>31%</b>       | <b>39</b><br><b>23%</b> | <b>289</b><br><b>25%</b> |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>141</b><br><b>12%</b> | <b>72</b><br><b>13%</b>  | <b>70</b><br><b>12%</b>  | <b>8</b><br><b>5%</b>   | <b>29</b><br><b>16%</b> | <b>35</b><br><b>16%</b> | <b>5</b><br><b>2%</b>   | <b>24</b><br><b>14%</b> | <b>13</b><br><b>11%</b> | <b>27</b><br><b>25%</b> | <b>37</b><br><b>10%</b>  | <b>40</b><br><b>10%</b>  | <b>65</b><br><b>16%</b>  | <b>48</b><br><b>16%</b>  | <b>57</b><br><b>17%</b>  | <b>30</b><br><b>12%</b> | <b>6</b><br><b>2%</b>   | <b>105</b><br><b>16%</b> | <b>36</b><br><b>7%</b>   | <b>67</b><br><b>17%</b>  | <b>54</b><br><b>13%</b>  | <b>20</b><br><b>6%</b>   | <b>50</b><br><b>16%</b>  | <b>52</b><br><b>8%</b>         | <b>39</b><br><b>23%</b> | <b>168</b><br><b>15%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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Table 193

**Q.19 From this card, could you please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements. The Westminster Parliament...**

**- ...holds government to account -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Total             | Working status    |                  |                   | Children in household |                   | Newspaper readership |                   |                   | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity         |                  | GO Region        |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                          |                  |                  |                  | Unwtd total      |                   |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|
|                            |                   | Full time         | Part time        | Not working       | Yes                   | No                | Quality              | Popular           | None              | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White             | BME              | South East       | Eastern          | London           | South West       | West Midlands    | East Midlands    | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West       | North East       | Wales            |                  | Scotland          |
| Unweighted total           | 1156              | 425               | 109              | 622               | 360                   | 234               | 201                  | 445               | 548               | 318                    | 183               | 258                          | 274              | 1007              | 146              | 116              | 102              | 121              | 102              | 109              | 71               | 91                       | 122              | 68               | 97               | 157              | 1156              |
| Weighted total             | 1156              | 520               | 109              | 527               | 372                   | 287               | 253                  | 423               | 522               | 320                    | 213               | 287                          | 219              | 1054              | 100              | 162              | 110              | 147              | 103              | 104              | 87               | 101                      | 134              | 51               | 58               | 102              | 1156              |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>        | <b>306</b>        | <b>78</b>        | <b>438</b>        | <b>245</b>            | <b>163</b>        | <b>143</b>           | <b>313</b>        | <b>382</b>        | <b>224</b>             | <b>123</b>        | <b>188</b>                   | <b>201</b>       | <b>703</b>        | <b>115</b>       | <b>90</b>        | <b>72</b>        | <b>86</b>        | <b>79</b>        | <b>75</b>        | <b>48</b>        | <b>71</b>                | <b>90</b>        | <b>51</b>        | <b>76</b>        | <b>118</b>       | <b>1156</b>       |
| Strongly agree             | 41<br>4%          | 18<br>4%          | 1<br>1%          | 21<br>4%          | 10<br>3%              | 12<br>4%          | 12<br>5%             | 10<br>2%          | 19<br>4%          | 11<br>3%               | 10<br>5%          | 12<br>4%                     | 5<br>2%          | 34<br>3%          | 7<br>7%          | 3<br>2%          | 1<br>1%          | 7<br>5%          | 6<br>6%          | 4<br>4%          | 6<br>7%          | 5<br>5%                  | 2<br>2%          | -<br>-           | 3<br>5%          | 4<br>4%          | 45<br>4%          |
| Tend to agree              | 412<br>36%        | 200<br>39%        | 31<br>28%        | 181<br>34%        | 120<br>32%            | 90<br>31%         | 108<br>43%           | 157<br>37%        | 163<br>31%        | 97<br>30%              | 71<br>33%         | 129<br>45%                   | 71<br>32%        | 371<br>35%        | 41<br>41%        | 63<br>39%        | 47<br>43%        | 63<br>43%        | 26<br>25%        | 26<br>25%        | 27<br>31%        | 28<br>28%                | 61<br>45%        | 19<br>38%        | 19<br>32%        | 33<br>33%        | 412<br>36%        |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 234<br>20%        | 101<br>19%        | 26<br>24%        | 106<br>20%        | 81<br>22%             | 63<br>22%         | 33<br>13%            | 100<br>24%        | 107<br>20%        | 74<br>23%              | 50<br>23%         | 42<br>15%                    | 40<br>18%        | 219<br>21%        | 14<br>14%        | 26<br>16%        | 16<br>15%        | 28<br>19%        | 22<br>21%        | 30<br>29%        | 17<br>20%        | 24<br>23%                | 22<br>17%        | 8<br>16%         | 11<br>19%        | 29<br>28%        | 241<br>21%        |
| Tend to disagree           | 249<br>22%        | 113<br>22%        | 22<br>20%        | 114<br>22%        | 84<br>23%             | 59<br>21%         | 76<br>30%            | 73<br>17%         | 110<br>21%        | 67<br>21%              | 48<br>23%         | 67<br>23%                    | 40<br>18%        | 235<br>22%        | 13<br>13%        | 43<br>27%        | 24<br>22%        | 23<br>16%        | 26<br>25%        | 32<br>31%        | 22<br>26%        | 19<br>19%                | 25<br>18%        | 10<br>19%        | 10<br>16%        | 15<br>15%        | 223<br>19%        |
| Strongly disagree          | 63<br>5%          | 32<br>6%          | 8<br>7%          | 24<br>4%          | 24<br>6%              | 12<br>4%          | 11<br>4%             | 20<br>5%          | 35<br>7%          | 19<br>6%               | 13<br>6%          | 18<br>6%                     | 5<br>2%          | 59<br>6%          | 4<br>4%          | 11<br>7%         | 6<br>5%          | 5<br>4%          | 6<br>6%          | 6<br>6%          | 4<br>5%          | 5<br>5%                  | 5<br>4%          | 2<br>5%          | 8<br>15%         | 4<br>4%          | 66<br>6%          |
| Don't know                 | 158<br>14%        | 55<br>10%         | 22<br>20%        | 82<br>15%         | 52<br>14%             | 52<br>18%         | 12<br>5%             | 62<br>15%         | 87<br>17%         | 51<br>16%              | 22<br>10%         | 18<br>6%                     | 58<br>26%        | 137<br>13%        | 21<br>21%        | 15<br>10%        | 15<br>13%        | 20<br>14%        | 17<br>17%        | 6<br>6%          | 10<br>12%        | 21<br>20%                | 19<br>14%        | 12<br>23%        | 7<br>13%         | 17<br>16%        | 169<br>15%        |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>453</b><br>39% | <b>219</b><br>42% | <b>32</b><br>29% | <b>202</b><br>38% | <b>130</b><br>35%     | <b>101</b><br>35% | <b>120</b><br>48%    | <b>168</b><br>40% | <b>182</b><br>35% | <b>108</b><br>34%      | <b>81</b><br>38%  | <b>142</b><br>49%            | <b>76</b><br>35% | <b>404</b><br>38% | <b>48</b><br>48% | <b>66</b><br>41% | <b>49</b><br>44% | <b>70</b><br>48% | <b>32</b><br>31% | <b>30</b><br>29% | <b>33</b><br>38% | <b>32</b><br>32%         | <b>63</b><br>47% | <b>19</b><br>38% | <b>22</b><br>38% | <b>37</b><br>37% | <b>457</b><br>40% |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>312</b><br>27% | <b>145</b><br>28% | <b>29</b><br>27% | <b>137</b><br>26% | <b>109</b><br>29%     | <b>71</b><br>25%  | <b>87</b><br>35%     | <b>94</b><br>22%  | <b>146</b><br>28% | <b>87</b><br>27%       | <b>61</b><br>29%  | <b>85</b><br>30%             | <b>45</b><br>21% | <b>294</b><br>28% | <b>17</b><br>17% | <b>54</b><br>33% | <b>30</b><br>27% | <b>29</b><br>20% | <b>31</b><br>31% | <b>38</b><br>37% | <b>27</b><br>31% | <b>24</b><br>24%         | <b>30</b><br>22% | <b>12</b><br>23% | <b>18</b><br>31% | <b>19</b><br>19% | <b>289</b><br>25% |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>141</b><br>12% | <b>73</b><br>14%  | <b>3</b><br>3%   | <b>65</b><br>12%  | <b>21</b><br>6%       | <b>30</b><br>11%  | <b>33</b><br>13%     | <b>74</b><br>17%  | <b>37</b><br>7%   | <b>21</b><br>7%        | <b>19</b><br>9%   | <b>56</b><br>20%             | <b>31</b><br>14% | <b>110</b><br>10% | <b>31</b><br>31% | <b>12</b><br>7%  | <b>19</b><br>17% | <b>41</b><br>28% | <b>1</b><br>1%   | <b>-8</b><br>-8% | <b>6</b><br>7%   | <b>9</b><br>8%           | <b>33</b><br>25% | <b>7</b><br>14%  | <b>4</b><br>6%   | <b>18</b><br>18% | <b>168</b><br>15% |

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Table 194

**Q.19 From this card, could you please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements. The Westminster Parliament...**

**- ...holds government to account -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Total                    | Urbanity                 |                         |                         | Interest in politics     |                          | Likelihood to vote       |                           | Political activism      |                          | Opinion on present system |                          | Knew local MP            |                          | Unwtd total              |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                            |                          | Urban                    | Rural                   | Mixed                   | Interested               | Not interested           | Certain to               | Certain not to            | Activist                | Non-activist             | Works well                | Needs improvement        | Yes                      | No                       |                          |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                     | 773                      | 145                     | 238                     | 580                      | 569                      | 627                      | 143                       | 160                     | 996                      | 327                       | 783                      | 495                      | 661                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total             | 1156                     | 784                      | 136                     | 235                     | 611                      | 539                      | 619                      | 140                       | 180                     | 976                      | 322                       | 793                      | 511                      | 645                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b>               | <b>97</b>               | <b>170</b>              | <b>404</b>               | <b>394</b>               | <b>430</b>               | <b>96</b>                 | <b>118</b>              | <b>684</b>               | <b>232</b>                | <b>543</b>               | <b>339</b>               | <b>464</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Strongly agree             | 41<br>4%                 | 22<br>3%                 | 13<br>10%               | 6<br>3%                 | 29<br>5%                 | 11<br>2%                 | 27<br>4%                 | 1<br>1%                   | 6<br>3%                 | 35<br>4%                 | 22<br>7%                  | 17<br>2%                 | 21<br>4%                 | 20<br>3%                 | 45<br>4%                 |
| Tend to agree              | 412<br>36%               | 295<br>38%               | 44<br>32%               | 73<br>31%               | 267<br>44%               | 142<br>26%               | 270<br>44%               | 22<br>16%                 | 71<br>40%               | 341<br>35%               | 146<br>45%                | 257<br>32%               | 211<br>41%               | 200<br>31%               | 412<br>36%               |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 234<br>20%               | 156<br>20%               | 17<br>13%               | 60<br>26%               | 101<br>17%               | 132<br>25%               | 92<br>15%                | 39<br>28%                 | 25<br>14%               | 209<br>21%               | 77<br>24%                 | 147<br>19%               | 94<br>18%                | 140<br>22%               | 241<br>21%               |
| Tend to disagree           | 249<br>22%               | 169<br>22%               | 32<br>23%               | 47<br>20%               | 149<br>24%               | 99<br>18%                | 143<br>23%               | 27<br>19%                 | 60<br>33%               | 189<br>19%               | 32<br>10%                 | 213<br>27%               | 119<br>23%               | 129<br>20%               | 223<br>19%               |
| Strongly disagree          | 63<br>5%                 | 37<br>5%                 | 9<br>6%                 | 17<br>7%                | 35<br>6%                 | 27<br>5%                 | 30<br>5%                 | 19<br>14%                 | 13<br>7%                | 50<br>5%                 | 6<br>2%                   | 56<br>7%                 | 27<br>5%                 | 36<br>6%                 | 66<br>6%                 |
| Don't know                 | 158<br>14%               | 105<br>13%               | 21<br>15%               | 32<br>14%               | 30<br>5%                 | 126<br>23%               | 56<br>9%                 | 31<br>22%                 | 5<br>3%                 | 153<br>16%               | 38<br>12%                 | 103<br>13%               | 39<br>8%                 | 119<br>18%               | 169<br>15%               |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>453</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>317</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>57</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>79</b><br><b>33%</b> | <b>296</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>154</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>297</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>24</b><br><b>17%</b>   | <b>78</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>375</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>168</b><br><b>52%</b>  | <b>274</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>232</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>221</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>457</b><br><b>40%</b> |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>312</b><br><b>27%</b> | <b>207</b><br><b>26%</b> | <b>41</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>64</b><br><b>27%</b> | <b>184</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>126</b><br><b>23%</b> | <b>174</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>46</b><br><b>33%</b>   | <b>72</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>239</b><br><b>25%</b> | <b>39</b><br><b>12%</b>   | <b>269</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>146</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>165</b><br><b>26%</b> | <b>289</b><br><b>25%</b> |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>141</b><br><b>12%</b> | <b>110</b><br><b>14%</b> | <b>17</b><br><b>12%</b> | <b>15</b><br><b>6%</b>  | <b>112</b><br><b>18%</b> | <b>27</b><br><b>5%</b>   | <b>123</b><br><b>20%</b> | <b>-22</b><br><b>-16%</b> | <b>5</b><br><b>3%</b>   | <b>136</b><br><b>14%</b> | <b>129</b><br><b>40%</b>  | <b>4</b><br><b>1%</b>    | <b>86</b><br><b>17%</b>  | <b>55</b><br><b>9%</b>   | <b>168</b><br><b>15%</b> |

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Table 195

**Q.19 From this card, could you please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements. The Westminster Parliament...**

**- ...holds government to account -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Quiz score               |                         |                          | Satisfaction with local MP |                          | Satisfaction with MPs in general |                          | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |                          | Use of internet           |                          | Unwtd total              |                          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                            | Total                    | Scored 0-3              | Scored 4-6               | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                           | Agree                    | Disagree                  | Use internet             |                          | Do not use internet      |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                     | 210                     | 463                      | 483                        | 459                      | 183                              | 349                      | 502                                    | 438                      | 450                       | 762                      | 394                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total             | 1156                     | 187                     | 470                      | 499                        | 444                      | 190                              | 336                      | 515                                    | 427                      | 474                       | 826                      | 330                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>               | <b>150</b>              | <b>310</b>               | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b>               | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b>               | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b>               | <b>302</b>                | <b>540</b>               | <b>269</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Strongly agree             | 41<br>4%                 | 5<br>3%                 | 15<br>3%                 | 21<br>4%                   | 20<br>4%                 | 5<br>3%                          | 17<br>5%                 | 16<br>3%                               | 22<br>5%                 | 9<br>2%                   | 30<br>4%                 | 11<br>3%                 | 45<br>4%                 |
| Tend to agree              | 412<br>36%               | 49<br>26%               | 165<br>35%               | 198<br>40%                 | 212<br>48%               | 59<br>31%                        | 176<br>52%               | 141<br>27%                             | 209<br>49%               | 124<br>26%                | 294<br>36%               | 118<br>36%               | 412<br>36%               |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 234<br>20%               | 44<br>24%               | 99<br>21%                | 90<br>18%                  | 79<br>18%                | 27<br>14%                        | 63<br>19%                | 86<br>17%                              | 75<br>18%                | 74<br>16%                 | 179<br>22%               | 55<br>17%                | 241<br>21%               |
| Tend to disagree           | 249<br>22%               | 16<br>8%                | 92<br>20%                | 141<br>28%                 | 82<br>18%                | 58<br>30%                        | 48<br>14%                | 156<br>30%                             | 67<br>16%                | 147<br>31%                | 176<br>21%               | 73<br>22%                | 223<br>19%               |
| Strongly disagree          | 63<br>5%                 | 4<br>2%                 | 28<br>6%                 | 31<br>6%                   | 15<br>3%                 | 18<br>10%                        | 8<br>2%                  | 49<br>10%                              | 7<br>2%                  | 50<br>11%                 | 48<br>6%                 | 15<br>4%                 | 66<br>6%                 |
| Don't know                 | 158<br>14%               | 70<br>37%               | 70<br>15%                | 18<br>4%                   | 36<br>8%                 | 23<br>12%                        | 25<br>7%                 | 66<br>13%                              | 46<br>11%                | 69<br>15%                 | 99<br>12%                | 59<br>18%                | 169<br>15%               |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>453</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>54</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>180</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>219</b><br><b>44%</b>   | <b>232</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>64</b><br><b>34%</b>          | <b>193</b><br><b>57%</b> | <b>157</b><br><b>31%</b>               | <b>232</b><br><b>54%</b> | <b>134</b><br><b>28%</b>  | <b>324</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>129</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>457</b><br><b>40%</b> |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>312</b><br><b>27%</b> | <b>19</b><br><b>10%</b> | <b>121</b><br><b>26%</b> | <b>172</b><br><b>34%</b>   | <b>97</b><br><b>22%</b>  | <b>76</b><br><b>40%</b>          | <b>56</b><br><b>17%</b>  | <b>205</b><br><b>40%</b>               | <b>75</b><br><b>17%</b>  | <b>197</b><br><b>42%</b>  | <b>224</b><br><b>27%</b> | <b>88</b><br><b>27%</b>  | <b>289</b><br><b>25%</b> |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>141</b><br><b>12%</b> | <b>34</b><br><b>18%</b> | <b>60</b><br><b>13%</b>  | <b>47</b><br><b>9%</b>     | <b>135</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>-12</b><br><b>-6%</b>         | <b>137</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>-48</b><br><b>-9%</b>               | <b>157</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>-63</b><br><b>-13%</b> | <b>100</b><br><b>12%</b> | <b>41</b><br><b>12%</b>  | <b>168</b><br><b>15%</b> |

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|                            | Seat marginality         |                         |                          |                          | Segment                  |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         | Unwtd total               |                          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
|                            | Total                    | Less than 5% majority   | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%)  | Safe (>20%)              | Politically committed   | Active campaigners      | Interested bystanders   | Detached cynics         | Politically contented   | Bored/apathetic         | Disengaged/mistrustful  |                           | Alienated/hostile        |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                     | 163                     | 351                      | 386                      | 419                      | 96                      | 142                     | 146                     | 228                     | 62                      | 93                      | 287                     | 102                       | 1156                     |
| Weighted total             | 1156                     | 175                     | 373                      | 396                      | 387                      | 116                     | 157                     | 159                     | 191                     | 66                      | 92                      | 277                     | 99                        | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>               | <b>113</b>              | <b>251</b>               | <b>263</b>               | <b>290</b>               | <b>72</b>               | <b>101</b>              | <b>92</b>               | <b>160</b>              | <b>49</b>               | <b>66</b>               | <b>209</b>              | <b>63</b>                 | <b>1156</b>              |
| Strongly agree             | 41<br>4%                 | 5<br>3%                 | 15<br>4%                 | 11<br>3%                 | 15<br>4%                 | 3<br>2%                 | 11<br>7%                | 8<br>5%                 | 11<br>6%                | 1<br>2%                 | 3<br>3%                 | 5<br>2%                 | -<br>-                    | 45<br>4%                 |
| Tend to agree              | 412<br>36%               | 69<br>39%               | 140<br>37%               | 145<br>37%               | 127<br>33%               | 54<br>47%               | 61<br>39%               | 64<br>40%               | 63<br>33%               | 34<br>52%               | 40<br>44%               | 84<br>30%               | 11<br>11%                 | 412<br>36%               |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 234<br>20%               | 26<br>15%               | 69<br>19%                | 71<br>18%                | 94<br>24%                | 11<br>10%               | 24<br>15%               | 33<br>21%               | 44<br>23%               | 16<br>24%               | 19<br>20%               | 66<br>24%               | 21<br>21%                 | 241<br>21%               |
| Tend to disagree           | 249<br>22%               | 42<br>24%               | 91<br>24%                | 93<br>24%                | 64<br>17%                | 34<br>29%               | 48<br>31%               | 38<br>24%               | 35<br>18%               | 8<br>12%                | 13<br>14%               | 49<br>18%               | 24<br>25%                 | 223<br>19%               |
| Strongly disagree          | 63<br>5%                 | 12<br>7%                | 17<br>5%                 | 21<br>5%                 | 25<br>7%                 | 11<br>9%                | 7<br>4%                 | 8<br>5%                 | 7<br>4%                 | 4<br>6%                 | 4<br>4%                 | 11<br>4%                | 11<br>11%                 | 66<br>6%                 |
| Don't know                 | 158<br>14%               | 21<br>12%               | 41<br>11%                | 55<br>14%                | 62<br>16%                | 3<br>2%                 | 6<br>4%                 | 9<br>5%                 | 31<br>16%               | 3<br>4%                 | 14<br>15%               | 62<br>22%               | 31<br>31%                 | 169<br>15%               |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>453</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>74</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>154</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>156</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>142</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>57</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>72</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>71</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>75</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>36</b><br><b>54%</b> | <b>43</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>89</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>11</b><br><b>11%</b>   | <b>457</b><br><b>40%</b> |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>312</b><br><b>27%</b> | <b>54</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>108</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>114</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>89</b><br><b>23%</b>  | <b>45</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>55</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>46</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>42</b><br><b>22%</b> | <b>12</b><br><b>18%</b> | <b>16</b><br><b>18%</b> | <b>60</b><br><b>22%</b> | <b>36</b><br><b>36%</b>   | <b>289</b><br><b>25%</b> |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>141</b><br><b>12%</b> | <b>20</b><br><b>11%</b> | <b>46</b><br><b>12%</b>  | <b>42</b><br><b>11%</b>  | <b>53</b><br><b>14%</b>  | <b>12</b><br><b>10%</b> | <b>17</b><br><b>11%</b> | <b>25</b><br><b>16%</b> | <b>33</b><br><b>17%</b> | <b>23</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>26</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>29</b><br><b>10%</b> | <b>-24</b><br><b>-25%</b> | <b>168</b><br><b>15%</b> |

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Table 197

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Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Gender            |                   | Age               |                  |                   |                    |                    |                  |                  |                  |                   |                    | Social class      |                   |                   |                    |                   |                   | Region            |                   |                   | Marital status    |                       |                                | Unwtd total      |                   |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
|                            | Male              | Female            | 18-24             | 25-34            | 35-44             | 45-54              | 55-64              | 65-74            | 75+              | 18-34            | 35-54             | 55+                | AB                | C1                | C2                | DE                 | ABC1              | C2DE              | North             | South             | Mid lands         | Single            | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |                  |                   |
| Unweighted total           | 1156              | 552               | 604               | 138              | 207               | 206                | 141                | 170              | 159              | 135              | 345               | 347                | 464               | 224               | 353               | 257                | 322               | 577               | 579               | 438               | 339               | 379               | 290                   | 669                            | 197              | 1156              |
| Weighted total             | 1156              | 561               | 595               | 173              | 183               | 216                | 186                | 169              | 117              | 111              | 356               | 402                | 398               | 310               | 333               | 241                | 272               | 642               | 514               | 387               | 411               | 358               | 306                   | 681                            | 169              | 1156              |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>        | <b>391</b>        | <b>410</b>        | <b>98</b>        | <b>145</b>        | <b>149</b>         | <b>105</b>         | <b>117</b>       | <b>135</b>       | <b>87</b>        | <b>236</b>        | <b>252</b>         | <b>323</b>        | <b>161</b>        | <b>256</b>        | <b>191</b>         | <b>222</b>        | <b>401</b>        | <b>413</b>        | <b>312</b>        | <b>250</b>        | <b>251</b>        | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>       | <b>1156</b>       |
| Strongly agree             | 18<br>2%          | 10<br>2%          | 7<br>1%           | -                | 5<br>2%           | 3<br>1%            | -                  | 2<br>1%          | 5<br>4%          | 4<br>3%          | 5<br>1%           | 3<br>1%            | 10<br>3%          | 10<br>3%          | 5<br>1%           | 2<br>1%            | 1<br>*            | 15<br>2%          | 3<br>*            | 5<br>1%           | 6<br>1%           | 6<br>2%           | 3<br>1%               | 12<br>2%                       | 3<br>2%          | 24                |
| Tend to agree              | 294<br>25%        | 136<br>24%        | 157<br>26%        | 42<br>24%        | 40<br>22%         | 41<br>19%          | 42<br>23%          | 53<br>32%        | 36<br>31%        | 39<br>35%        | 82<br>23%         | 83<br>21%          | 129<br>32%        | 92<br>30%         | 86<br>26%         | 58<br>24%          | 58<br>21%         | 178<br>28%        | 116<br>23%        | 107<br>28%        | 107<br>26%        | 80<br>22%         | 80<br>26%             | 156<br>23%                     | 58<br>34%        | 291               |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 320<br>28%        | 164<br>29%        | 156<br>26%        | 50<br>29%        | 57<br>31%         | 62<br>29%          | 58<br>31%          | 37<br>22%        | 29<br>25%        | 28<br>25%        | 107<br>30%        | 120<br>30%         | 94<br>24%         | 96<br>31%         | 89<br>27%         | 54<br>22%          | 81<br>30%         | 185<br>29%        | 135<br>26%        | 98<br>25%         | 122<br>30%        | 100<br>28%        | 84<br>27%             | 195<br>29%                     | 41<br>24%        | 315               |
| Tend to disagree           | 271<br>23%        | 127<br>23%        | 144<br>24%        | 38<br>22%        | 44<br>24%         | 55<br>26%          | 41<br>22%          | 49<br>29%        | 24<br>20%        | 19<br>17%        | 83<br>23%         | 97<br>24%          | 91<br>23%         | 70<br>23%         | 84<br>25%         | 68<br>28%          | 48<br>18%         | 154<br>24%        | 116<br>23%        | 77<br>20%         | 104<br>25%        | 90<br>25%         | 71<br>23%             | 165<br>24%                     | 35<br>21%        | 257               |
| Strongly disagree          | 86<br>7%          | 47<br>8%          | 38<br>6%          | 9<br>5%          | 14<br>7%          | 20<br>9%           | 22<br>12%          | 11<br>6%         | 8<br>6%          | 3<br>3%          | 23<br>6%          | 42<br>10%          | 21<br>5%          | 15<br>5%          | 19<br>6%          | 22<br>9%           | 29<br>11%         | 35<br>5%          | 51<br>10%         | 42<br>11%         | 16<br>4%          | 28<br>8%          | 16<br>5%              | 61<br>9%                       | 9<br>5%          | 91                |
| Don't know                 | 169<br>15%        | 77<br>14%         | 92<br>15%         | 34<br>20%        | 24<br>13%         | 36<br>17%          | 22<br>12%          | 18<br>10%        | 16<br>13%        | 20<br>18%        | 58<br>16%         | 58<br>14%          | 53<br>13%         | 27<br>9%          | 49<br>15%         | 38<br>16%          | 55<br>20%         | 76<br>12%         | 93<br>18%         | 58<br>15%         | 56<br>14%         | 54<br>15%         | 52<br>17%             | 93<br>14%                      | 24<br>14%        | 178               |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>311</b><br>27% | <b>146</b><br>26% | <b>165</b><br>28% | <b>42</b><br>24% | <b>45</b><br>24%  | <b>43</b><br>20%   | <b>42</b><br>23%   | <b>55</b><br>33% | <b>41</b><br>35% | <b>43</b><br>38% | <b>86</b><br>24%  | <b>86</b><br>21%   | <b>139</b><br>35% | <b>102</b><br>33% | <b>91</b><br>27%  | <b>60</b><br>25%   | <b>59</b><br>22%  | <b>193</b><br>30% | <b>119</b><br>23% | <b>112</b><br>29% | <b>113</b><br>27% | <b>86</b><br>24%  | <b>83</b><br>27%      | <b>167</b><br>25%              | <b>61</b><br>36% | <b>315</b><br>27% |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>356</b><br>31% | <b>174</b><br>31% | <b>182</b><br>31% | <b>47</b><br>27% | <b>58</b><br>32%  | <b>75</b><br>35%   | <b>64</b><br>34%   | <b>59</b><br>35% | <b>31</b><br>27% | <b>22</b><br>19% | <b>105</b><br>30% | <b>138</b><br>34%  | <b>112</b><br>28% | <b>85</b><br>28%  | <b>103</b><br>31% | <b>90</b><br>37%   | <b>77</b><br>28%  | <b>189</b><br>29% | <b>167</b><br>33% | <b>119</b><br>31% | <b>120</b><br>29% | <b>118</b><br>33% | <b>87</b><br>28%      | <b>225</b><br>33%              | <b>43</b><br>26% | <b>348</b><br>30% |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>-45</b><br>-4% | <b>-28</b><br>-5% | <b>-17</b><br>-3% | <b>-5</b><br>-3% | <b>-14</b><br>-7% | <b>-31</b><br>-15% | <b>-21</b><br>-11% | <b>-4</b><br>-2% | <b>10</b><br>8%  | <b>21</b><br>19% | <b>-19</b><br>-5% | <b>-53</b><br>-13% | <b>27</b><br>7%   | <b>16</b><br>5%   | <b>-13</b><br>-4% | <b>-31</b><br>-13% | <b>-17</b><br>-6% | <b>4</b><br>1%    | <b>-48</b><br>-9% | <b>-6</b><br>-2%  | <b>-7</b><br>-2%  | <b>-32</b><br>-9% | <b>-4</b><br>-1%      | <b>-58</b><br>-9%              | <b>17</b><br>10% | <b>-33</b><br>-3% |

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|                            | Total             | Working status     |                  |                   | Children in household |                  | Newspaper readership |                   |                    | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity         |                  | GO Region        |                  |                  |                  |                  |                   |                          |                  |                    |                   | Unwtd total      |                   |
|----------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|------------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
|                            |                   | Full time          | Part time        | Not working       | Yes                   | No               | Quality              | Popular           | None               | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White             | BME              | South East       | Eastern          | London           | South West       | West Midlands    | East Midlands     | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West       | North East         | Wales             |                  | Scotland          |
| Unweighted total           | 1156              | 425                | 109              | 622               | 360                   | 234              | 201                  | 445               | 548                | 318                    | 183               | 258                          | 274              | 1007              | 146              | 116              | 102              | 121              | 102              | 109              | 71                | 91                       | 122              | 68                 | 97                | 157              | 1156              |
| Weighted total             | 1156              | 520                | 109              | 527               | 372                   | 287              | 253                  | 423               | 522                | 320                    | 213               | 287                          | 219              | 1054              | 100              | 162              | 110              | 147              | 103              | 104              | 87                | 101                      | 134              | 51                 | 58                | 102              | 1156              |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>        | <b>306</b>         | <b>78</b>        | <b>438</b>        | <b>245</b>            | <b>163</b>       | <b>143</b>           | <b>313</b>        | <b>382</b>         | <b>224</b>             | <b>123</b>        | <b>188</b>                   | <b>201</b>       | <b>703</b>        | <b>115</b>       | <b>90</b>        | <b>72</b>        | <b>86</b>        | <b>79</b>        | <b>75</b>        | <b>48</b>         | <b>71</b>                | <b>90</b>        | <b>51</b>          | <b>76</b>         | <b>118</b>       | <b>1156</b>       |
| Strongly agree             | 18<br>2%          | 5<br>1%            | 1<br>1%          | 12<br>2%          | 5<br>1%               | 2<br>1%          | 4<br>2%              | 6<br>1%           | 7<br>1%            | 1<br>*                 | 3<br>1%           | 8<br>3%                      | 4<br>2%          | 13<br>1%          | 4<br>4%          | *                | 1<br>1%          | 4<br>3%          | 2<br>2%          | 4<br>4%          | -                 | 2<br>2%                  | 2<br>1%          | -                  | 1<br>2%           | 2<br>2%          | 24<br>2%          |
| Tend to agree              | 294<br>25%        | 112<br>21%         | 28<br>25%        | 155<br>29%        | 66<br>18%             | 75<br>26%        | 79<br>31%            | 119<br>28%        | 107<br>21%         | 74<br>23%              | 42<br>20%         | 87<br>31%                    | 64<br>29%        | 261<br>25%        | 33<br>33%        | 45<br>28%        | 28<br>26%        | 39<br>27%        | 22<br>21%        | 23<br>22%        | 16<br>19%         | 25<br>25%                | 52<br>39%        | 10<br>19%          | 12<br>21%         | 20<br>20%        | 291<br>25%        |
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| Don't know                 | 169<br>15%        | 56<br>11%          | 20<br>18%        | 93<br>18%         | 65<br>17%             | 51<br>18%        | 24<br>10%            | 59<br>14%         | 90<br>17%          | 47<br>15%              | 31<br>15%         | 23<br>8%                     | 53<br>24%        | 147<br>14%        | 22<br>22%        | 16<br>10%        | 14<br>13%        | 22<br>15%        | 18<br>18%        | 11<br>11%        | 23<br>27%         | 19<br>19%                | 14<br>10%        | 8<br>16%           | 6<br>10%          | 17<br>17%        | 178<br>15%        |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>311</b><br>27% | <b>116</b><br>22%  | <b>28</b><br>26% | <b>166</b><br>32% | <b>72</b><br>19%      | <b>77</b><br>27% | <b>84</b><br>33%     | <b>125</b><br>30% | <b>115</b><br>22%  | <b>75</b><br>23%       | <b>45</b><br>21%  | <b>95</b><br>33%             | <b>69</b><br>31% | <b>274</b><br>26% | <b>36</b><br>36% | <b>46</b><br>28% | <b>29</b><br>26% | <b>43</b><br>30% | <b>24</b><br>23% | <b>27</b><br>26% | <b>16</b><br>19%  | <b>27</b><br>27%         | <b>54</b><br>40% | <b>10</b><br>19%   | <b>13</b><br>23%  | <b>22</b><br>21% | <b>315</b><br>27% |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>356</b><br>31% | <b>202</b><br>39%  | <b>31</b><br>28% | <b>123</b><br>23% | <b>123</b><br>33%     | <b>84</b><br>29% | <b>75</b><br>30%     | <b>121</b><br>29% | <b>174</b><br>33%  | <b>114</b><br>36%      | <b>63</b><br>29%  | <b>94</b><br>33%             | <b>46</b><br>21% | <b>341</b><br>32% | <b>15</b><br>15% | <b>47</b><br>29% | <b>35</b><br>32% | <b>41</b><br>28% | <b>32</b><br>31% | <b>36</b><br>34% | <b>25</b><br>29%  | <b>33</b><br>33%         | <b>38</b><br>29% | <b>20</b><br>40%   | <b>22</b><br>38%  | <b>27</b><br>26% | <b>348</b><br>30% |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>-45</b><br>-4% | <b>-85</b><br>-16% | <b>-2</b><br>-2% | <b>43</b><br>8%   | <b>-51</b><br>-14%    | <b>-7</b><br>-2% | <b>8</b><br>3%       | <b>4</b><br>1%    | <b>-59</b><br>-11% | <b>-39</b><br>-12%     | <b>-18</b><br>-8% | <b>1</b><br>*                | <b>22</b><br>10% | <b>-67</b><br>-6% | <b>22</b><br>22% | <b>-2</b><br>-1% | <b>-6</b><br>-6% | <b>3</b><br>2%   | <b>-8</b><br>-8% | <b>-8</b><br>-8% | <b>-8</b><br>-10% | <b>-6</b><br>-6%         | <b>16</b><br>12% | <b>-11</b><br>-21% | <b>-8</b><br>-15% | <b>-5</b><br>-5% | <b>-33</b><br>-3% |

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|                            | Total             | Urbanity          |                   |                    | Interest in politics |                   | Likelihood to vote |                    | Political activism |                   | Opinion on present system |                     | Knew local MP     |                   | Unwtd total       |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                            |                   | Urban             | Rural             | Mixed              | Interested           | Not interested    | Certain to         | Certain not to     | Activist           | Non-activist      | Works well                | Needs improvement   | Yes               | No                |                   |
| Unweighted total           | 1156              | 773               | 145               | 238                | 580                  | 569               | 627                | 143                | 160                | 996               | 327                       | 783                 | 495               | 661               | 1156              |
| Weighted total             | 1156              | 784               | 136               | 235                | 611                  | 539               | 619                | 140                | 180                | 976               | 322                       | 793                 | 511               | 645               | 1156              |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>        | <b>535</b>        | <b>97</b>         | <b>170</b>         | <b>404</b>           | <b>394</b>        | <b>430</b>         | <b>96</b>          | <b>118</b>         | <b>684</b>        | <b>232</b>                | <b>543</b>          | <b>339</b>        | <b>464</b>        | <b>1156</b>       |
| Strongly agree             | 18<br>2%          | 12<br>2%          | 3<br>2%           | 2<br>1%            | 10<br>2%             | 8<br>1%           | 13<br>2%           | *<br>*             | 2<br>1%            | 15<br>2%          | 6<br>2%                   | 12<br>1%            | 7<br>1%           | 10<br>2%          | 24<br>2%          |
| Tend to agree              | 294<br>25%        | 206<br>26%        | 31<br>23%         | 57<br>24%          | 182<br>30%           | 107<br>20%        | 189<br>30%         | 21<br>15%          | 54<br>30%          | 240<br>25%        | 113<br>35%                | 176<br>22%          | 150<br>29%        | 144<br>22%        | 291<br>25%        |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 320<br>28%        | 216<br>28%        | 36<br>26%         | 68<br>29%          | 170<br>28%           | 149<br>28%        | 153<br>25%         | 40<br>28%          | 44<br>24%          | 276<br>28%        | 100<br>31%                | 206<br>26%          | 138<br>27%        | 182<br>28%        | 315<br>27%        |
| Tend to disagree           | 271<br>23%        | 179<br>23%        | 31<br>23%         | 61<br>26%          | 156<br>26%           | 114<br>21%        | 155<br>25%         | 22<br>16%          | 53<br>30%          | 217<br>22%        | 51<br>16%                 | 214<br>27%          | 135<br>26%        | 136<br>21%        | 257<br>22%        |
| Strongly disagree          | 86<br>7%          | 49<br>6%          | 13<br>9%          | 24<br>10%          | 37<br>6%             | 48<br>9%          | 34<br>6%           | 23<br>16%          | 13<br>7%           | 73<br>7%          | 3<br>1%                   | 81<br>10%           | 26<br>5%          | 60<br>9%          | 91<br>8%          |
| Don't know                 | 169<br>15%        | 123<br>16%        | 23<br>17%         | 23<br>10%          | 56<br>9%             | 113<br>21%        | 75<br>12%          | 34<br>25%          | 14<br>8%           | 155<br>16%        | 49<br>15%                 | 104<br>13%          | 56<br>11%         | 113<br>18%        | 178<br>15%        |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>311</b><br>27% | <b>218</b><br>28% | <b>34</b><br>25%  | <b>59</b><br>25%   | <b>192</b><br>31%    | <b>115</b><br>21% | <b>201</b><br>33%  | <b>21</b><br>15%   | <b>56</b><br>31%   | <b>255</b><br>26% | <b>119</b><br>37%         | <b>187</b><br>24%   | <b>157</b><br>31% | <b>154</b><br>24% | <b>315</b><br>27% |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>356</b><br>31% | <b>227</b><br>29% | <b>44</b><br>32%  | <b>85</b><br>36%   | <b>193</b><br>32%    | <b>162</b><br>30% | <b>189</b><br>31%  | <b>45</b><br>32%   | <b>66</b><br>37%   | <b>290</b><br>30% | <b>53</b><br>17%          | <b>295</b><br>37%   | <b>160</b><br>31% | <b>196</b><br>30% | <b>348</b><br>30% |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>-45</b><br>-4% | <b>-9</b><br>-1%  | <b>-10</b><br>-7% | <b>-26</b><br>-11% | <b>-1</b><br>*       | <b>-47</b><br>-9% | <b>12</b><br>2%    | <b>-23</b><br>-17% | <b>-10</b><br>-6%  | <b>-34</b><br>-4% | <b>66</b><br>21%          | <b>-108</b><br>-14% | <b>-3</b><br>-1%  | <b>-41</b><br>-6% | <b>-33</b><br>-3% |

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Table 200

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**- ...is welcoming to the public -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Total                    | Quiz score              |                          |                          | Satisfaction with local MP |                           | Satisfaction with MPs in general |                            | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |                            | Use of internet           |                          | Unwtd total              |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|--|----------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                            |                          | Scored 0-3              | Scored 4-6               | Scored 7-9               | Satisfied                  | Dissatisfied              | Satisfied                        | Dissatisfied               | Agree                                  | Disagree                   | Use internet              | Do not use internet      |                          |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                     | 210                     | 463                      | 483                      | 459                        | 183                       | 349                              | 502                        | 438                                    | 450                        | 762                       | 394                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total             | 1156                     | 187                     | 470                      | 499                      | 444                        | 190                       | 336                              | 515                        | 427                                    | 474                        | 826                       | 330                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>               | <b>150</b>              | <b>310</b>               | <b>345</b>               | <b>324</b>                 | <b>135</b>                | <b>264</b>                       | <b>330</b>                 | <b>327</b>                             | <b>302</b>                 | <b>540</b>                | <b>269</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Strongly agree             | 18<br>2%                 | 3<br>2%                 | 6<br>1%                  | 9<br>2%                  | 11<br>3%                   | 2<br>1%                   | 8<br>2%                          | 6<br>1%                    | 13<br>3%                               | 2<br>*                     | 9<br>1%                   | 9<br>3%                  | 24<br>2%                 |
| Tend to agree              | 294<br>25%               | 36<br>19%               | 115<br>25%               | 142<br>28%               | 168<br>38%                 | 39<br>21%                 | 131<br>39%                       | 90<br>17%                  | 154<br>36%                             | 81<br>17%                  | 180<br>22%                | 113<br>34%               | 291<br>25%               |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 320<br>28%               | 56<br>30%               | 126<br>27%               | 138<br>28%               | 119<br>27%                 | 38<br>20%                 | 93<br>28%                        | 125<br>24%                 | 115<br>27%                             | 119<br>25%                 | 247<br>30%                | 73<br>22%                | 315<br>27%               |
| Tend to disagree           | 271<br>23%               | 26<br>14%               | 115<br>24%               | 129<br>26%               | 89<br>20%                  | 46<br>24%                 | 55<br>16%                        | 160<br>31%                 | 82<br>19%                              | 143<br>30%                 | 211<br>26%                | 60<br>18%                | 257<br>22%               |
| Strongly disagree          | 86<br>7%                 | 13<br>7%                | 34<br>7%                 | 38<br>8%                 | 14<br>3%                   | 32<br>17%                 | 9<br>3%                          | 65<br>13%                  | 22<br>5%                               | 54<br>11%                  | 70<br>9%                  | 15<br>5%                 | 91<br>8%                 |
| Don't know                 | 169<br>15%               | 53<br>28%               | 73<br>15%                | 44<br>9%                 | 42<br>10%                  | 32<br>17%                 | 41<br>12%                        | 68<br>13%                  | 42<br>10%                              | 75<br>16%                  | 109<br>13%                | 60<br>18%                | 178<br>15%               |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>311</b><br><b>27%</b> | <b>39</b><br><b>21%</b> | <b>121</b><br><b>26%</b> | <b>151</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>179</b><br><b>40%</b>   | <b>41</b><br><b>22%</b>   | <b>139</b><br><b>41%</b>         | <b>95</b><br><b>19%</b>    | <b>167</b><br><b>39%</b>               | <b>83</b><br><b>17%</b>    | <b>189</b><br><b>23%</b>  | <b>122</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>315</b><br><b>27%</b> |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>356</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>39</b><br><b>21%</b> | <b>150</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>167</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>103</b><br><b>23%</b>   | <b>78</b><br><b>41%</b>   | <b>63</b><br><b>19%</b>          | <b>226</b><br><b>44%</b>   | <b>104</b><br><b>24%</b>               | <b>197</b><br><b>42%</b>   | <b>281</b><br><b>34%</b>  | <b>75</b><br><b>23%</b>  | <b>348</b><br><b>30%</b> |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>-45</b><br><b>-4%</b> | <b>*</b><br><b>*</b>    | <b>-28</b><br><b>-6%</b> | <b>-17</b><br><b>-3%</b> | <b>76</b><br><b>17%</b>    | <b>-37</b><br><b>-20%</b> | <b>76</b><br><b>23%</b>          | <b>-131</b><br><b>-25%</b> | <b>64</b><br><b>15%</b>                | <b>-115</b><br><b>-24%</b> | <b>-92</b><br><b>-11%</b> | <b>48</b><br><b>14%</b>  | <b>-33</b><br><b>-3%</b> |

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Table 201

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Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Seat marginality  |                       |                          |                         | Segment           |                       |                    |                       |                  |                       |                  |                        | Unwtd total        |                   |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------|------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
|                            | Total             | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%)       | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics  | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic  | Disengaged/mistrustful |                    | Alienated/hostile |
| Unweighted total           | 1156              | 163                   | 351                      | 386                     | 419               | 96                    | 142                | 146                   | 228              | 62                    | 93               | 287                    | 102                | 1156              |
| Weighted total             | 1156              | 175                   | 373                      | 396                     | 387               | 116                   | 157                | 159                   | 191              | 66                    | 92               | 277                    | 99                 | 1156              |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>        | <b>113</b>            | <b>251</b>               | <b>263</b>              | <b>290</b>        | <b>72</b>             | <b>101</b>         | <b>92</b>             | <b>160</b>       | <b>49</b>             | <b>66</b>        | <b>209</b>             | <b>63</b>          | <b>1156</b>       |
| Strongly agree             | 18<br>2%          | 3<br>2%               | 7<br>2%                  | 5<br>1%                 | 6<br>2%           | 1<br>1%               | 2<br>2%            | 3<br>2%               | 4<br>2%          | 2<br>3%               | 2<br>2%          | 3<br>1%                | *<br>*             | 24<br>2%          |
| Tend to agree              | 294<br>25%        | 57<br>32%             | 112<br>30%               | 89<br>22%               | 94<br>24%         | 37<br>32%             | 51<br>32%          | 35<br>22%             | 46<br>24%        | 18<br>27%             | 33<br>36%        | 63<br>23%              | 10<br>11%          | 291<br>25%        |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 320<br>28%        | 46<br>26%             | 104<br>28%               | 102<br>26%              | 114<br>29%        | 28<br>24%             | 46<br>29%          | 45<br>29%             | 54<br>28%        | 19<br>28%             | 22<br>24%        | 82<br>30%              | 24<br>24%          | 315<br>27%        |
| Tend to disagree           | 271<br>23%        | 42<br>24%             | 94<br>25%                | 103<br>26%              | 73<br>19%         | 34<br>29%             | 39<br>25%          | 43<br>27%             | 42<br>22%        | 15<br>23%             | 20<br>22%        | 57<br>20%              | 21<br>21%          | 257<br>22%        |
| Strongly disagree          | 86<br>7%          | 12<br>7%              | 19<br>5%                 | 36<br>9%                | 30<br>8%          | 10<br>9%              | 5<br>3%            | 9<br>6%               | 11<br>6%         | 4<br>5%               | 5<br>5%          | 25<br>9%               | 17<br>17%          | 91<br>8%          |
| Don't know                 | 169<br>15%        | 15<br>8%              | 37<br>10%                | 61<br>15%               | 70<br>18%         | 6<br>5%               | 13<br>8%           | 23<br>14%             | 34<br>18%        | 9<br>13%              | 10<br>11%        | 48<br>17%              | 27<br>27%          | 178<br>15%        |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>311</b><br>27% | <b>60</b><br>34%      | <b>118</b><br>32%        | <b>93</b><br>24%        | <b>100</b><br>26% | <b>38</b><br>33%      | <b>53</b><br>34%   | <b>39</b><br>24%      | <b>50</b><br>26% | <b>20</b><br>31%      | <b>35</b><br>38% | <b>66</b><br>24%       | <b>11</b><br>11%   | <b>315</b><br>27% |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>356</b><br>31% | <b>54</b><br>31%      | <b>113</b><br>30%        | <b>140</b><br>35%       | <b>103</b><br>27% | <b>44</b><br>38%      | <b>44</b><br>28%   | <b>52</b><br>33%      | <b>53</b><br>28% | <b>19</b><br>28%      | <b>25</b><br>27% | <b>81</b><br>29%       | <b>37</b><br>38%   | <b>348</b><br>30% |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>-45</b><br>-4% | <b>5</b><br>3%        | <b>5</b><br>1%           | <b>-46</b><br>-12%      | <b>-3</b><br>-1%  | <b>-6</b><br>-5%      | <b>9</b><br>6%     | <b>-14</b><br>-9%     | <b>-4</b><br>-2% | <b>2</b><br>2%        | <b>10</b><br>11% | <b>-15</b><br>-6%      | <b>-27</b><br>-27% | <b>-33</b><br>-3% |

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|                            | Gender                   |                          | Age                      |                         |                         |                          |                          |                         |                         |                         |                          |                          | Social class             |                          |                          |                         |                           |                          | Region                   |                          |                          | Marital status           |                          |                                | Unwtd total             |                          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
|                            | Male                     | Female                   | 18-24                    | 25-34                   | 35-44                   | 45-54                    | 55-64                    | 65-74                   | 75+                     | 18-34                   | 35-54                    | 55+                      | AB                       | C1                       | C2                       | DE                      | ABC1                      | C2DE                     | North                    | South                    | Mid lands                | Single                   | Married /Co-hab iting    | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |                         |                          |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                     | 552                      | 604                      | 138                     | 207                     | 206                      | 141                      | 170                     | 159                     | 135                     | 345                      | 347                      | 464                      | 224                      | 353                      | 257                     | 322                       | 577                      | 579                      | 438                      | 339                      | 379                      | 290                      | 669                            | 197                     | 1156                     |
| Weighted total             | 1156                     | 561                      | 595                      | 173                     | 183                     | 216                      | 186                      | 169                     | 117                     | 111                     | 356                      | 402                      | 398                      | 310                      | 333                      | 241                     | 272                       | 642                      | 514                      | 387                      | 411                      | 358                      | 306                      | 681                            | 169                     | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>               | <b>391</b>               | <b>410</b>               | <b>98</b>               | <b>145</b>              | <b>149</b>               | <b>105</b>               | <b>117</b>              | <b>135</b>              | <b>87</b>               | <b>236</b>               | <b>252</b>               | <b>323</b>               | <b>161</b>               | <b>256</b>               | <b>191</b>              | <b>222</b>                | <b>401</b>               | <b>413</b>               | <b>312</b>               | <b>250</b>               | <b>251</b>               | <b>203</b>               | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>              | <b>1156</b>              |
| Strongly agree             | 30<br>3%                 | 16<br>3%                 | 15<br>2%                 | 1<br>1%                 | 4<br>2%                 | 5<br>3%                  | 5<br>3%                  | 6<br>3%                 | 5<br>4%                 | 5<br>4%                 | 5<br>1%                  | 10<br>3%                 | 15<br>4%                 | 13<br>4%                 | 6<br>2%                  | 6<br>3%                 | 5<br>2%                   | 19<br>3%                 | 11<br>2%                 | 8<br>2%                  | 15<br>4%                 | 7<br>2%                  | 5<br>2%                  | 19<br>3%                       | 6<br>3%                 | 36<br>3%                 |
| Tend to agree              | 410<br>35%               | 207<br>37%               | 203<br>34%               | 61<br>35%               | 48<br>26%               | 75<br>35%                | 60<br>32%                | 74<br>43%               | 42<br>36%               | 51<br>46%               | 109<br>31%               | 134<br>33%               | 166<br>42%               | 133<br>43%               | 132<br>40%               | 75<br>31%               | 70<br>26%                 | 266<br>41%               | 144<br>28%               | 138<br>36%               | 164<br>40%               | 108<br>30%               | 101<br>33%               | 236<br>35%                     | 73<br>43%               | 417<br>36%               |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 259<br>22%               | 131<br>23%               | 127<br>21%               | 46<br>27%               | 66<br>36%               | 33<br>15%                | 39<br>21%                | 22<br>13%               | 28<br>24%               | 25<br>22%               | 112<br>32%               | 72<br>18%                | 75<br>19%                | 67<br>22%                | 66<br>20%                | 60<br>25%               | 65<br>24%                 | 133<br>21%               | 125<br>24%               | 78<br>20%                | 99<br>24%                | 81<br>23%                | 82<br>27%                | 141<br>21%                     | 36<br>21%               | 252<br>22%               |
| Tend to disagree           | 289<br>25%               | 130<br>23%               | 158<br>27%               | 40<br>23%               | 41<br>22%               | 72<br>33%                | 51<br>27%                | 47<br>28%               | 23<br>20%               | 16<br>14%               | 80<br>22%                | 122<br>30%               | 86<br>22%                | 75<br>24%                | 79<br>24%                | 65<br>27%               | 70<br>26%                 | 154<br>24%               | 135<br>26%               | 96<br>25%                | 93<br>23%                | 100<br>28%               | 78<br>25%                | 176<br>26%                     | 35<br>21%               | 259<br>22%               |
| Strongly disagree          | 110<br>9%                | 58<br>10%                | 52<br>9%                 | 13<br>8%                | 12<br>7%                | 18<br>8%                 | 27<br>15%                | 17<br>10%               | 15<br>13%               | 7<br>6%                 | 26<br>7%                 | 45<br>11%                | 39<br>10%                | 20<br>7%                 | 29<br>9%                 | 23<br>10%               | 37<br>14%                 | 49<br>8%                 | 60<br>12%                | 43<br>11%                | 22<br>5%                 | 44<br>12%                | 22<br>7%                 | 75<br>11%                      | 12<br>7%                | 123<br>11%               |
| Don't know                 | 59<br>5%                 | 19<br>3%                 | 40<br>7%                 | 12<br>7%                | 12<br>7%                | 13<br>6%                 | 4<br>2%                  | 4<br>2%                 | 4<br>4%                 | 8<br>7%                 | 24<br>7%                 | 18<br>4%                 | 16<br>4%                 | 1<br>*                   | 20<br>6%                 | 13<br>5%                | 25<br>9%                  | 21<br>3%                 | 38<br>7%                 | 23<br>6%                 | 18<br>4%                 | 17<br>5%                 | 18<br>6%                 | 33<br>5%                       | 7<br>4%                 | 69<br>6%                 |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>440</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>223</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>217</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>62</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>52</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>80</b><br><b>37%</b>  | <b>65</b><br><b>35%</b>  | <b>79</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>47</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>56</b><br><b>50%</b> | <b>114</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>145</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>182</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>146</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>139</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>81</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>75</b><br><b>27%</b>   | <b>285</b><br><b>44%</b> | <b>156</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>146</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>178</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>116</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>107</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>255</b><br><b>37%</b>       | <b>79</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>453</b><br><b>39%</b> |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>398</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>188</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>210</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>53</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>53</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>90</b><br><b>42%</b>  | <b>78</b><br><b>42%</b>  | <b>64</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>38</b><br><b>33%</b> | <b>23</b><br><b>20%</b> | <b>106</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>168</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>125</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>96</b><br><b>31%</b>  | <b>108</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>88</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>107</b><br><b>39%</b>  | <b>203</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>195</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>139</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>115</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>144</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>99</b><br><b>32%</b>  | <b>252</b><br><b>37%</b>       | <b>47</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>382</b><br><b>33%</b> |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>42</b><br><b>4%</b>   | <b>35</b><br><b>6%</b>   | <b>7</b><br><b>1%</b>    | <b>9</b><br><b>5%</b>   | <b>-1</b><br><b>*</b>   | <b>-10</b><br><b>-4%</b> | <b>-13</b><br><b>-7%</b> | <b>15</b><br><b>9%</b>  | <b>8</b><br><b>7%</b>   | <b>33</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>8</b><br><b>2%</b>    | <b>-23</b><br><b>-6%</b> | <b>56</b><br><b>14%</b>  | <b>50</b><br><b>16%</b>  | <b>31</b><br><b>9%</b>   | <b>-7</b><br><b>-3%</b> | <b>-32</b><br><b>-12%</b> | <b>81</b><br><b>13%</b>  | <b>-39</b><br><b>-8%</b> | <b>7</b><br><b>2%</b>    | <b>63</b><br><b>15%</b>  | <b>-28</b><br><b>-8%</b> | <b>7</b><br><b>2%</b>    | <b>3</b><br><b>*</b>           | <b>31</b><br><b>19%</b> | <b>71</b><br><b>6%</b>   |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
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Table 203

**Q.19 From this card, could you please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements. The Westminster Parliament...**

**- ...is working for you and me -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Working status           |                          |                         | Children in household    |                           | Newspaper readership     |                          |                          | Education                |                          |                              |                          | Ethnicity               |                          | GO Region               |                         |                          |                         |                         |                         |                          |                           |                         |                         | Unwtd total              |                         |                          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
|                            | Full time                | Part time                | Not working             | Yes                      | No                        | Quality                  | Popular                  | None                     | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12   | A-Level or equiv.        | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals.         | White                   | BME                      | South East              | Eastern                 | London                   | South West              | West Midlands           | East Midlands           | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West                | North East              | Wales                   |                          | Scotland                |                          |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                     | 425                      | 109                     | 622                      | 360                       | 234                      | 201                      | 445                      | 548                      | 318                      | 183                          | 258                      | 274                     | 1007                     | 146                     | 116                     | 102                      | 121                     | 102                     | 109                     | 71                       | 91                        | 122                     | 68                      | 97                       | 157                     | 1156                     |
| Weighted total             | 1156                     | 520                      | 109                     | 527                      | 372                       | 287                      | 253                      | 423                      | 522                      | 320                      | 213                          | 287                      | 219                     | 1054                     | 100                     | 162                     | 110                      | 147                     | 103                     | 104                     | 87                       | 101                       | 134                     | 51                      | 58                       | 102                     | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>               | <b>306</b>               | <b>78</b>               | <b>438</b>               | <b>245</b>                | <b>163</b>               | <b>143</b>               | <b>313</b>               | <b>382</b>               | <b>224</b>               | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>               | <b>201</b>              | <b>703</b>               | <b>115</b>              | <b>90</b>               | <b>72</b>                | <b>86</b>               | <b>79</b>               | <b>75</b>               | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>                 | <b>90</b>               | <b>51</b>               | <b>76</b>                | <b>118</b>              | <b>1156</b>              |
| Strongly agree             | 30<br>3%                 | 11<br>2%                 | 3<br>3%                 | 17<br>3%                 | 11<br>3%                  | 6<br>2%                  | 9<br>3%                  | 10<br>2%                 | 12<br>2%                 | 6<br>2%                  | 3<br>2%                      | 12<br>4%                 | 8<br>3%                 | 23<br>2%                 | 7<br>7%                 | 6<br>4%                 | 1<br>1%                  | 5<br>3%                 | 4<br>4%                 | 3<br>3%                 | 2<br>3%                  | 2<br>2%                   | 2<br>1%                 | 2<br>3%                 | 1<br>1%                  | 3<br>3%                 | 36<br>3%                 |
| Tend to agree              | 410<br>35%               | 177<br>34%               | 40<br>37%               | 193<br>37%               | 96<br>26%                 | 110<br>38%               | 117<br>46%               | 144<br>34%               | 165<br>32%               | 98<br>31%                | 71<br>33%                    | 132<br>46%               | 66<br>30%               | 372<br>35%               | 37<br>37%               | 71<br>44%               | 37<br>34%                | 49<br>34%               | 43<br>41%               | 30<br>29%               | 23<br>27%                | 28<br>28%                 | 56<br>42%               | 16<br>31%               | 18<br>31%                | 38<br>38%               | 417<br>36%               |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 259<br>22%               | 124<br>24%               | 23<br>21%               | 112<br>21%               | 84<br>22%                 | 69<br>24%                | 45<br>18%                | 111<br>26%               | 117<br>23%               | 66<br>21%                | 61<br>29%                    | 57<br>20%                | 51<br>23%               | 231<br>22%               | 28<br>28%               | 28<br>17%               | 16<br>15%                | 51<br>35%               | 20<br>20%               | 33<br>32%               | 20<br>23%                | 17<br>17%                 | 31<br>23%               | 12<br>23%               | 11<br>20%                | 18<br>18%               | 252<br>22%               |
| Tend to disagree           | 289<br>25%               | 144<br>28%               | 30<br>28%               | 115<br>22%               | 119<br>32%                | 68<br>24%                | 66<br>26%                | 102<br>24%               | 127<br>24%               | 86<br>27%                | 54<br>25%                    | 65<br>23%                | 49<br>22%               | 277<br>26%               | 12<br>12%               | 42<br>26%               | 35<br>32%                | 26<br>18%               | 25<br>24%               | 19<br>18%               | 32<br>37%                | 30<br>30%                 | 25<br>19%               | 11<br>21%               | 14<br>24%                | 30<br>29%               | 259<br>22%               |
| Strongly disagree          | 110<br>9%                | 49<br>9%                 | 7<br>7%                 | 54<br>10%                | 38<br>10%                 | 22<br>8%                 | 11<br>4%                 | 40<br>9%                 | 63<br>12%                | 44<br>14%                | 19<br>9%                     | 14<br>5%                 | 20<br>9%                | 105<br>10%               | 4<br>4%                 | 10<br>6%                | 13<br>12%                | 5<br>3%                 | 8<br>8%                 | 17<br>16%               | 3<br>3%                  | 16<br>16%                 | 12<br>9%                | 9<br>18%                | 11<br>20%                | 6<br>6%                 | 123<br>11%               |
| Don't know                 | 59<br>5%                 | 15<br>3%                 | 6<br>6%                 | 37<br>7%                 | 24<br>6%                  | 12<br>4%                 | 6<br>2%                  | 16<br>4%                 | 37<br>7%                 | 19<br>6%                 | 5<br>2%                      | 6<br>2%                  | 26<br>12%               | 47<br>4%                 | 12<br>12%               | 4<br>3%                 | 7<br>7%                  | 10<br>7%                | 3<br>3%                 | 2<br>2%                 | 6<br>6%                  | 7<br>7%                   | 8<br>6%                 | 2<br>4%                 | 3<br>4%                  | 6<br>6%                 | 69<br>6%                 |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>440</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>188</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>43</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>210</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>107</b><br><b>29%</b>  | <b>115</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>126</b><br><b>50%</b> | <b>154</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>177</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>105</b><br><b>33%</b> | <b>74</b><br><b>35%</b>      | <b>144</b><br><b>50%</b> | <b>73</b><br><b>33%</b> | <b>395</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>44</b><br><b>44%</b> | <b>77</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>38</b><br><b>35%</b>  | <b>55</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>46</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>33</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>26</b><br><b>30%</b>  | <b>30</b><br><b>43%</b>   | <b>58</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>17</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>19</b><br><b>32%</b>  | <b>41</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>453</b><br><b>39%</b> |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>398</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>193</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>37</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>168</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>157</b><br><b>42%</b>  | <b>90</b><br><b>32%</b>  | <b>77</b><br><b>30%</b>  | <b>142</b><br><b>33%</b> | <b>190</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>130</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>73</b><br><b>34%</b>      | <b>80</b><br><b>28%</b>  | <b>69</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>381</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>17</b><br><b>17%</b> | <b>52</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>48</b><br><b>44%</b>  | <b>31</b><br><b>21%</b> | <b>33</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>36</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>35</b><br><b>40%</b>  | <b>46</b><br><b>46%</b>   | <b>37</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>20</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>25</b><br><b>44%</b>  | <b>36</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>382</b><br><b>33%</b> |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>42</b><br><b>4%</b>   | <b>-5</b><br><b>-1%</b>  | <b>5</b><br><b>5%</b>   | <b>41</b><br><b>8%</b>   | <b>-50</b><br><b>-13%</b> | <b>25</b><br><b>9%</b>   | <b>49</b><br><b>20%</b>  | <b>13</b><br><b>3%</b>   | <b>-13</b><br><b>-3%</b> | <b>-26</b><br><b>-8%</b> | <b>1</b><br><b>*</b>         | <b>64</b><br><b>22%</b>  | <b>4</b><br><b>2%</b>   | <b>14</b><br><b>1%</b>   | <b>28</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>26</b><br><b>16%</b> | <b>-10</b><br><b>-9%</b> | <b>24</b><br><b>16%</b> | <b>14</b><br><b>14%</b> | <b>-3</b><br><b>-3%</b> | <b>-9</b><br><b>-11%</b> | <b>-16</b><br><b>-15%</b> | <b>20</b><br><b>15%</b> | <b>-3</b><br><b>-6%</b> | <b>-7</b><br><b>-12%</b> | <b>5</b><br><b>5%</b>   | <b>71</b><br><b>6%</b>   |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Number of sample points : 210  
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Table 204

**Q.19 From this card, could you please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements. The Westminster Parliament...**

**- ...is working for you and me -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Urbanity                 |                          |                           | Interest in politics    |                          | Likelihood to vote       |                          | Political activism        |                         | Opinion on present system |                          | Knew local MP             |                          | Unwtd total              |                          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                            | Total                    | Urban                    | Rural                     | Mixed                   | Interested               | Not interested           | Certain to               | Certain not to            | Activist                | Non-activist              | Works well               | Needs improvement         | Yes                      |                          | No                       |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                     | 773                      | 145                       | 238                     | 580                      | 569                      | 627                      | 143                       | 160                     | 996                       | 327                      | 783                       | 495                      | 661                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total             | 1156                     | 784                      | 136                       | 235                     | 611                      | 539                      | 619                      | 140                       | 180                     | 976                       | 322                      | 793                       | 511                      | 645                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b>               | <b>97</b>                 | <b>170</b>              | <b>404</b>               | <b>394</b>               | <b>430</b>               | <b>96</b>                 | <b>118</b>              | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b>               | <b>543</b>                | <b>339</b>               | <b>464</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Strongly agree             | 30<br>3%                 | 20<br>3%                 | 5<br>4%                   | 5<br>2%                 | 20<br>3%                 | 10<br>2%                 | 24<br>4%                 | -                         | 8<br>4%                 | 22<br>2%                  | 14<br>4%                 | 16<br>2%                  | 11<br>2%                 | 19<br>3%                 | 36<br>3%                 |
| Tend to agree              | 410<br>35%               | 287<br>37%               | 38<br>28%                 | 85<br>36%               | 260<br>43%               | 148<br>28%               | 261<br>42%               | 30<br>22%                 | 68<br>38%               | 341<br>35%                | 167<br>52%               | 237<br>30%                | 210<br>41%               | 200<br>31%               | 417<br>36%               |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 259<br>22%               | 190<br>24%               | 24<br>17%                 | 46<br>19%               | 124<br>20%               | 132<br>24%               | 119<br>19%               | 32<br>23%                 | 37<br>21%               | 222<br>23%                | 88<br>27%                | 154<br>19%                | 105<br>20%               | 154<br>24%               | 252<br>22%               |
| Tend to disagree           | 289<br>25%               | 178<br>23%               | 48<br>35%                 | 63<br>27%               | 151<br>25%               | 138<br>26%               | 141<br>23%               | 31<br>23%                 | 47<br>26%               | 242<br>25%                | 35<br>11%                | 250<br>31%                | 129<br>25%               | 160<br>25%               | 259<br>22%               |
| Strongly disagree          | 110<br>9%                | 64<br>8%                 | 13<br>9%                  | 32<br>14%               | 42<br>7%                 | 66<br>12%                | 51<br>8%                 | 31<br>22%                 | 17<br>10%               | 92<br>9%                  | 7<br>2%                  | 101<br>13%                | 40<br>8%                 | 70<br>11%                | 123<br>11%               |
| Don't know                 | 59<br>5%                 | 45<br>6%                 | 9<br>6%                   | 4<br>2%                 | 14<br>2%                 | 44<br>8%                 | 21<br>3%                 | 16<br>11%                 | 2<br>1%                 | 57<br>6%                  | 10<br>3%                 | 34<br>4%                  | 16<br>3%                 | 42<br>7%                 | 69<br>6%                 |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>440</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>307</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>43</b><br><b>32%</b>   | <b>90</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>280</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>158</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>286</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>30</b><br><b>22%</b>   | <b>76</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>364</b><br><b>37%</b>  | <b>181</b><br><b>56%</b> | <b>253</b><br><b>32%</b>  | <b>221</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>219</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>453</b><br><b>39%</b> |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>398</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>243</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>61</b><br><b>45%</b>   | <b>95</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>193</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>204</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>192</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>62</b><br><b>44%</b>   | <b>64</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>334</b><br><b>34%</b>  | <b>42</b><br><b>13%</b>  | <b>351</b><br><b>44%</b>  | <b>169</b><br><b>33%</b> | <b>230</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>382</b><br><b>33%</b> |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>42</b><br><b>4%</b>   | <b>64</b><br><b>8%</b>   | <b>-18</b><br><b>-13%</b> | <b>-5</b><br><b>-2%</b> | <b>88</b><br><b>14%</b>  | <b>-46</b><br><b>-9%</b> | <b>94</b><br><b>15%</b>  | <b>-32</b><br><b>-23%</b> | <b>12</b><br><b>7%</b>  | <b>30</b><br><b>3%</b>    | <b>139</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>-98</b><br><b>-12%</b> | <b>52</b><br><b>10%</b>  | <b>-10</b><br><b>-2%</b> | <b>71</b><br><b>6%</b>   |

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Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Quiz score               |                         |                          | Satisfaction with local MP |                          | Satisfaction with MPs in general |                          | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |                          | Use of internet            |                          | Unwtd total              |                          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                            | Total                    | Scored 0-3              | Scored 4-6               | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                           | Agree                    | Disagree                   | Use internet             |                          | Do not use internet      |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                     | 210                     | 463                      | 483                        | 459                      | 183                              | 349                      | 502                                    | 438                      | 450                        | 762                      | 394                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total             | 1156                     | 187                     | 470                      | 499                        | 444                      | 190                              | 336                      | 515                                    | 427                      | 474                        | 826                      | 330                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>               | <b>150</b>              | <b>310</b>               | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b>               | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b>               | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b>               | <b>302</b>                 | <b>540</b>               | <b>269</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Strongly agree             | 30<br>3%                 | 4<br>2%                 | 10<br>2%                 | 17<br>3%                   | 16<br>4%                 | 4<br>2%                          | 20<br>6%                 | 4<br>1%                                | 17<br>4%                 | 4<br>1%                    | 19<br>2%                 | 11<br>3%                 | 36<br>3%                 |
| Tend to agree              | 410<br>35%               | 46<br>25%               | 167<br>36%               | 196<br>39%                 | 220<br>50%               | 38<br>20%                        | 203<br>61%               | 115<br>22%                             | 225<br>53%               | 114<br>24%                 | 295<br>36%               | 115<br>35%               | 417<br>36%               |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 259<br>22%               | 54<br>29%               | 99<br>21%                | 105<br>21%                 | 93<br>21%                | 35<br>18%                        | 58<br>17%                | 94<br>18%                              | 80<br>19%                | 89<br>19%                  | 189<br>23%               | 69<br>21%                | 252<br>22%               |
| Tend to disagree           | 289<br>25%               | 32<br>17%               | 118<br>25%               | 139<br>28%                 | 83<br>19%                | 64<br>33%                        | 37<br>11%                | 199<br>39%                             | 63<br>15%                | 177<br>37%                 | 210<br>25%               | 79<br>24%                | 259<br>22%               |
| Strongly disagree          | 110<br>9%                | 19<br>10%               | 53<br>11%                | 38<br>8%                   | 19<br>4%                 | 43<br>23%                        | 10<br>3%                 | 83<br>16%                              | 31<br>7%                 | 71<br>15%                  | 82<br>10%                | 28<br>9%                 | 123<br>11%               |
| Don't know                 | 59<br>5%                 | 32<br>17%               | 22<br>5%                 | 5<br>1%                    | 12<br>3%                 | 7<br>3%                          | 7<br>2%                  | 20<br>4%                               | 10<br>2%                 | 19<br>4%                   | 31<br>4%                 | 28<br>8%                 | 69<br>6%                 |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>440</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>50</b><br><b>27%</b> | <b>177</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>213</b><br><b>43%</b>   | <b>237</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>42</b><br><b>22%</b>          | <b>224</b><br><b>67%</b> | <b>119</b><br><b>23%</b>               | <b>242</b><br><b>57%</b> | <b>118</b><br><b>25%</b>   | <b>314</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>126</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>453</b><br><b>39%</b> |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>398</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>51</b><br><b>27%</b> | <b>171</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>176</b><br><b>35%</b>   | <b>102</b><br><b>23%</b> | <b>106</b><br><b>56%</b>         | <b>48</b><br><b>14%</b>  | <b>282</b><br><b>55%</b>               | <b>95</b><br><b>22%</b>  | <b>248</b><br><b>52%</b>   | <b>292</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>107</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>382</b><br><b>33%</b> |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>42</b><br><b>4%</b>   | <b>-1</b><br><b>*</b>   | <b>6</b><br><b>1%</b>    | <b>37</b><br><b>7%</b>     | <b>135</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>-64</b><br><b>-34%</b>        | <b>176</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>-163</b><br><b>-32%</b>             | <b>147</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>-130</b><br><b>-27%</b> | <b>22</b><br><b>3%</b>   | <b>19</b><br><b>6%</b>   | <b>71</b><br><b>6%</b>   |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
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Table 206

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**- ...is working for you and me -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Seat marginality         |                          |                          |                          | Segment                  |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                          | Unwtd total               |                          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
|                            | Less than 5% majority    | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%)  | Safe (>20%)              | Politically committed    | Active campaigners      | Interested bystanders   | Detached cynics         | Politically contented   | Bored/apathetic         | Disengaged/mistrustful  | Alienated/hostile        |                           |                          |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                     | 163                      | 351                      | 386                      | 419                      | 96                      | 142                     | 146                     | 228                     | 62                      | 93                      | 287                      | 102                       | 1156                     |
| Weighted total             | 1156                     | 175                      | 373                      | 396                      | 387                      | 116                     | 157                     | 159                     | 191                     | 66                      | 92                      | 277                      | 99                        | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>               | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>               | <b>263</b>               | <b>290</b>               | <b>72</b>               | <b>101</b>              | <b>92</b>               | <b>160</b>              | <b>49</b>               | <b>66</b>               | <b>209</b>               | <b>63</b>                 | <b>1156</b>              |
| Strongly agree             | 30<br>3%                 | 3<br>2%                  | 6<br>2%                  | 16<br>4%                 | 8<br>2%                  | 3<br>2%                 | 9<br>6%                 | 5<br>3%                 | 7<br>4%                 | 2<br>3%                 | 2<br>3%                 | 1<br>*                   | -                         | 36<br>3%                 |
| Tend to agree              | 410<br>35%               | 71<br>40%                | 147<br>39%               | 125<br>32%               | 138<br>36%               | 59<br>51%               | 62<br>39%               | 61<br>38%               | 66<br>35%               | 32<br>48%               | 33<br>35%               | 85<br>31%                | 12<br>12%                 | 417<br>36%               |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 259<br>22%               | 32<br>18%                | 75<br>20%                | 83<br>21%                | 101<br>26%               | 17<br>15%               | 28<br>18%               | 37<br>23%               | 41<br>21%               | 15<br>23%               | 25<br>27%               | 75<br>27%                | 21<br>22%                 | 252<br>22%               |
| Tend to disagree           | 289<br>25%               | 53<br>30%                | 110<br>30%               | 107<br>27%               | 72<br>18%                | 27<br>24%               | 45<br>29%               | 42<br>26%               | 47<br>24%               | 11<br>17%               | 20<br>22%               | 72<br>26%                | 25<br>25%                 | 259<br>22%               |
| Strongly disagree          | 110<br>9%                | 11<br>6%                 | 23<br>6%                 | 42<br>10%                | 45<br>12%                | 8<br>7%                 | 10<br>6%                | 11<br>7%                | 16<br>8%                | 3<br>5%                 | 10<br>11%               | 26<br>10%                | 25<br>25%                 | 123<br>11%               |
| Don't know                 | 59<br>5%                 | 5<br>3%                  | 12<br>3%                 | 23<br>6%                 | 23<br>6%                 | 1<br>1%                 | 4<br>2%                 | 3<br>2%                 | 15<br>8%                | 2<br>3%                 | 2<br>2%                 | 17<br>6%                 | 15<br>15%                 | 69<br>6%                 |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>440</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>74</b><br><b>42%</b>  | <b>152</b><br><b>41%</b> | <b>142</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>146</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>62</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>71</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>66</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>74</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>34</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>35</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>87</b><br><b>31%</b>  | <b>12</b><br><b>12%</b>   | <b>453</b><br><b>39%</b> |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>398</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>64</b><br><b>37%</b>  | <b>133</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>148</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>117</b><br><b>30%</b> | <b>36</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>54</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>53</b><br><b>33%</b> | <b>62</b><br><b>33%</b> | <b>15</b><br><b>22%</b> | <b>30</b><br><b>33%</b> | <b>99</b><br><b>36%</b>  | <b>50</b><br><b>50%</b>   | <b>382</b><br><b>33%</b> |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>42</b><br><b>4%</b>   | <b>10</b><br><b>6%</b>   | <b>19</b><br><b>5%</b>   | <b>-7</b><br><b>-2%</b>  | <b>29</b><br><b>8%</b>   | <b>26</b><br><b>23%</b> | <b>16</b><br><b>10%</b> | <b>13</b><br><b>8%</b>  | <b>11</b><br><b>6%</b>  | <b>19</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>5</b><br><b>5%</b>   | <b>-12</b><br><b>-4%</b> | <b>-37</b><br><b>-38%</b> | <b>71</b><br><b>6%</b>   |

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Table 207

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**- ...is worthwhile -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Gender                   |                          | Age                      |                         |                         |                          |                          |                          |                         |                         |                          |                          | Social class             |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          | Region                   |                          |                          | Marital status           |                          |                                | Unwtd total              |                          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                            | Male                     | Female                   | 18-24                    | 25-34                   | 35-44                   | 45-54                    | 55-64                    | 65-74                    | 75+                     | 18-34                   | 35-54                    | 55+                      | AB                       | C1                       | C2                       | DE                       | ABC1                     | C2DE                     | North                    | South                    | Mid lands                | Single                   | Married /Co-hab iting    | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |                          |                          |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                     | 552                      | 604                      | 138                     | 207                     | 206                      | 141                      | 170                      | 159                     | 135                     | 345                      | 347                      | 464                      | 224                      | 353                      | 257                      | 322                      | 577                      | 579                      | 438                      | 339                      | 379                      | 290                      | 669                            | 197                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total             | 1156                     | 561                      | 595                      | 173                     | 183                     | 216                      | 186                      | 169                      | 117                     | 111                     | 356                      | 402                      | 398                      | 310                      | 333                      | 241                      | 272                      | 642                      | 514                      | 387                      | 411                      | 358                      | 306                      | 681                            | 169                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>               | <b>391</b>               | <b>410</b>               | <b>98</b>               | <b>145</b>              | <b>149</b>               | <b>105</b>               | <b>117</b>               | <b>135</b>              | <b>87</b>               | <b>236</b>               | <b>252</b>               | <b>323</b>               | <b>161</b>               | <b>256</b>               | <b>191</b>               | <b>222</b>               | <b>401</b>               | <b>413</b>               | <b>312</b>               | <b>250</b>               | <b>251</b>               | <b>203</b>               | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Strongly agree             | 130<br>11%               | 83<br>15%                | 47<br>8%                 | 11<br>7%                | 14<br>7%                | 18<br>9%                 | 21<br>12%                | 26<br>15%                | 17<br>14%               | 22<br>20%               | 25<br>7%                 | 40<br>10%                | 65<br>16%                | 49<br>16%                | 44<br>13%                | 20<br>8%                 | 17<br>6%                 | 93<br>14%                | 37<br>7%                 | 39<br>10%                | 51<br>13%                | 40<br>11%                | 22<br>7%                 | 87<br>13%                      | 21<br>12%                | 127<br>11%               |
| Tend to agree              | 571<br>49%               | 269<br>48%               | 302<br>51%               | 73<br>42%               | 83<br>45%               | 105<br>49%               | 93<br>50%                | 97<br>57%                | 59<br>51%               | 60<br>54%               | 156<br>44%               | 198<br>49%               | 217<br>54%               | 182<br>59%               | 181<br>55%               | 98<br>40%                | 110<br>40%               | 364<br>57%               | 207<br>40%               | 189<br>49%               | 218<br>53%               | 164<br>46%               | 148<br>48%               | 329<br>48%                     | 94<br>56%                | 556<br>48%               |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 232<br>20%               | 104<br>19%               | 128<br>22%               | 54<br>31%               | 48<br>26%               | 40<br>18%                | 34<br>18%                | 24<br>14%                | 19<br>17%               | 14<br>13%               | 102<br>29%               | 74<br>18%                | 57<br>14%                | 48<br>15%                | 53<br>16%                | 69<br>29%                | 62<br>23%                | 101<br>16%               | 132<br>26%               | 76<br>20%                | 86<br>21%                | 70<br>19%                | 79<br>26%                | 121<br>18%                     | 32<br>19%                | 228<br>20%               |
| Tend to disagree           | 105<br>9%                | 52<br>9%                 | 53<br>9%                 | 14<br>8%                | 18<br>10%               | 28<br>13%                | 16<br>9%                 | 13<br>7%                 | 8<br>7%                 | 8<br>7%                 | 32<br>9%                 | 44<br>11%                | 29<br>7%                 | 14<br>5%                 | 27<br>8%                 | 25<br>11%                | 39<br>14%                | 41<br>6%                 | 64<br>12%                | 33<br>9%                 | 27<br>7%                 | 44<br>12%                | 25<br>8%                 | 71<br>10%                      | 9<br>5%                  | 113<br>10%               |
| Strongly disagree          | 53<br>5%                 | 27<br>5%                 | 26<br>4%                 | 9<br>5%                 | 6<br>3%                 | 14<br>6%                 | 12<br>6%                 | 5<br>3%                  | 6<br>5%                 | 2<br>2%                 | 15<br>4%                 | 25<br>6%                 | 13<br>3%                 | 9<br>3%                  | 12<br>4%                 | 13<br>5%                 | 19<br>7%                 | 21<br>3%                 | 32<br>6%                 | 26<br>7%                 | 6<br>2%                  | 21<br>6%                 | 16<br>5%                 | 32<br>5%                       | 6<br>3%                  | 60<br>5%                 |
| Don't know                 | 65<br>6%                 | 26<br>5%                 | 38<br>6%                 | 12<br>7%                | 14<br>8%                | 11<br>5%                 | 10<br>5%                 | 4<br>3%                  | 7<br>6%                 | 6<br>5%                 | 26<br>7%                 | 21<br>5%                 | 17<br>4%                 | 7<br>2%                  | 16<br>5%                 | 16<br>7%                 | 25<br>9%                 | 23<br>4%                 | 41<br>8%                 | 24<br>6%                 | 21<br>5%                 | 19<br>5%                 | 16<br>5%                 | 41<br>6%                       | 7<br>4%                  | 72<br>6%                 |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>701</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>352</b><br><b>63%</b> | <b>349</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>84</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>97</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>124</b><br><b>57%</b> | <b>115</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>124</b><br><b>73%</b> | <b>76</b><br><b>65%</b> | <b>82</b><br><b>74%</b> | <b>181</b><br><b>51%</b> | <b>238</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>282</b><br><b>71%</b> | <b>231</b><br><b>75%</b> | <b>225</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>118</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>127</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>456</b><br><b>71%</b> | <b>245</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>227</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>269</b><br><b>66%</b> | <b>204</b><br><b>57%</b> | <b>169</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>416</b><br><b>61%</b>       | <b>115</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>683</b><br><b>59%</b> |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>158</b><br><b>14%</b> | <b>79</b><br><b>14%</b>  | <b>79</b><br><b>13%</b>  | <b>23</b><br><b>13%</b> | <b>24</b><br><b>13%</b> | <b>41</b><br><b>19%</b>  | <b>28</b><br><b>15%</b>  | <b>18</b><br><b>11%</b>  | <b>14</b><br><b>12%</b> | <b>10</b><br><b>9%</b>  | <b>47</b><br><b>13%</b>  | <b>69</b><br><b>17%</b>  | <b>42</b><br><b>11%</b>  | <b>23</b><br><b>8%</b>   | <b>39</b><br><b>12%</b>  | <b>38</b><br><b>16%</b>  | <b>58</b><br><b>21%</b>  | <b>62</b><br><b>10%</b>  | <b>96</b><br><b>19%</b>  | <b>59</b><br><b>15%</b>  | <b>34</b><br><b>8%</b>   | <b>65</b><br><b>18%</b>  | <b>41</b><br><b>13%</b>  | <b>102</b><br><b>15%</b>       | <b>15</b><br><b>9%</b>   | <b>173</b><br><b>15%</b> |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>543</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>273</b><br><b>49%</b> | <b>270</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>61</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>73</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>82</b><br><b>38%</b>  | <b>87</b><br><b>47%</b>  | <b>106</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>62</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>72</b><br><b>65%</b> | <b>134</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>169</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>240</b><br><b>60%</b> | <b>208</b><br><b>67%</b> | <b>186</b><br><b>56%</b> | <b>80</b><br><b>33%</b>  | <b>69</b><br><b>25%</b>  | <b>394</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>149</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>168</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>236</b><br><b>57%</b> | <b>139</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>128</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>314</b><br><b>46%</b>       | <b>101</b><br><b>60%</b> | <b>510</b><br><b>44%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 208

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**- ...is worthwhile -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Total                    | Working status           |                         |                          | Children in household    |                          | Newspaper readership     |                          |                          | Education                |                          |                              |                          | Ethnicity                |                         | GO Region                |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                          |                         |                         |                         | Unwtd total             |                          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
|                            |                          | Full time                | Part time               | Not working              | Yes                      | No                       | Quality                  | Popular                  | None                     | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12   | A-Level or equiv.        | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals.         | White                    | BME                     | South East               | Eastern                 | London                  | South West              | West Midlands           | East Midlands           | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West              | North East              | Wales                   |                         | Scotland                 |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                     | 425                      | 109                     | 622                      | 360                      | 234                      | 201                      | 445                      | 548                      | 318                      | 183                      | 258                          | 274                      | 1007                     | 146                     | 116                      | 102                     | 121                     | 102                     | 109                     | 71                      | 91                       | 122                     | 68                      | 97                      | 157                     | 1156                     |
| Weighted total             | 1156                     | 520                      | 109                     | 527                      | 372                      | 287                      | 253                      | 423                      | 522                      | 320                      | 213                      | 287                          | 219                      | 1054                     | 100                     | 162                      | 110                     | 147                     | 103                     | 104                     | 87                      | 101                      | 134                     | 51                      | 58                      | 102                     | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>               | <b>306</b>               | <b>78</b>               | <b>438</b>               | <b>245</b>               | <b>163</b>               | <b>143</b>               | <b>313</b>               | <b>382</b>               | <b>224</b>               | <b>123</b>               | <b>188</b>                   | <b>201</b>               | <b>703</b>               | <b>115</b>              | <b>90</b>                | <b>72</b>               | <b>86</b>               | <b>79</b>               | <b>75</b>               | <b>48</b>               | <b>71</b>                | <b>90</b>               | <b>51</b>               | <b>76</b>               | <b>118</b>              | <b>1156</b>              |
| Strongly agree             | 130<br>11%               | 62<br>12%                | 7<br>7%                 | 61<br>12%                | 32<br>9%                 | 24<br>9%                 | 56<br>22%                | 31<br>7%                 | 50<br>10%                | 21<br>6%                 | 25<br>12%                | 46<br>16%                    | 26<br>12%                | 120<br>11%               | 9<br>9%                 | 15<br>9%                 | 13<br>11%               | 16<br>11%               | 20<br>19%               | 11<br>11%               | 12<br>14%               | 11<br>11%                | 13<br>10%               | 5<br>9%                 | 4<br>7%                 | 10<br>10%               | 127                      |
| Tend to agree              | 571<br>49%               | 262<br>50%               | 59<br>54%               | 250<br>47%               | 168<br>45%               | 144<br>50%               | 152<br>60%               | 209<br>49%               | 236<br>45%               | 146<br>46%               | 102<br>48%               | 167<br>58%                   | 91<br>41%                | 526<br>50%               | 45<br>45%               | 102<br>63%               | 60<br>55%               | 73<br>50%               | 43<br>42%               | 43<br>42%               | 33<br>38%               | 53<br>53%                | 71<br>53%               | 19<br>37%               | 28<br>48%               | 46<br>45%               | 556                      |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 232<br>20%               | 97<br>19%                | 28<br>25%               | 108<br>20%               | 77<br>21%                | 76<br>27%                | 20<br>8%                 | 98<br>23%                | 117<br>22%               | 65<br>20%                | 63<br>30%                | 41<br>14%                    | 43<br>20%                | 208<br>20%               | 24<br>24%               | 24<br>15%                | 16<br>15%               | 36<br>24%               | 26<br>25%               | 25<br>24%               | 17<br>19%               | 14<br>14%                | 26<br>20%               | 14<br>27%               | 12<br>21%               | 22<br>22%               | 228                      |
| Tend to disagree           | 105<br>9%                | 58<br>11%                | 7<br>6%                 | 41<br>8%                 | 42<br>11%                | 21<br>7%                 | 11<br>4%                 | 45<br>11%                | 51<br>10%                | 37<br>11%                | 10<br>5%                 | 22<br>8%                     | 26<br>12%                | 97<br>9%                 | 7<br>7%                 | 14<br>9%                 | 10<br>9%                | 5<br>3%                 | 8<br>8%                 | 13<br>12%               | 16<br>18%               | 5<br>5%                  | 14<br>10%               | 5<br>9%                 | 5<br>9%                 | 11<br>10%               | 113                      |
| Strongly disagree          | 53<br>5%                 | 23<br>4%                 | 2<br>2%                 | 28<br>5%                 | 23<br>6%                 | 10<br>3%                 | 9<br>3%                  | 19<br>4%                 | 27<br>5%                 | 27<br>8%                 | 7<br>3%                  | 4<br>2%                      | 9<br>4%                  | 51<br>5%                 | 2<br>2%                 | 4<br>2%                  | 7<br>7%                 | 2<br>1%                 | 1<br>1%                 | 5<br>5%                 | 2<br>2%                 | 11<br>11%                | 3<br>2%                 | 6<br>12%                | 6<br>11%                | 6<br>6%                 | 60                       |
| Don't know                 | 65<br>6%                 | 18<br>3%                 | 7<br>6%                 | 40<br>8%                 | 29<br>8%                 | 11<br>4%                 | 5<br>2%                  | 21<br>5%                 | 41<br>8%                 | 26<br>8%                 | 7<br>3%                  | 7<br>2%                      | 24<br>11%                | 51<br>5%                 | 13<br>13%               | 3<br>2%                  | 3<br>3%                 | 14<br>10%               | 5<br>4%                 | 6<br>6%                 | 7<br>8%                 | 8<br>7%                  | 7<br>5%                 | 3<br>6%                 | 2<br>4%                 | 7<br>6%                 | 72                       |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>701</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>324</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>66</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>311</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>200</b><br><b>54%</b> | <b>169</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>208</b><br><b>82%</b> | <b>240</b><br><b>57%</b> | <b>286</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>166</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>127</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>213</b><br><b>74%</b>     | <b>117</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>647</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>54</b><br><b>54%</b> | <b>117</b><br><b>72%</b> | <b>73</b><br><b>66%</b> | <b>90</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>63</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>55</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>45</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>64</b><br><b>63%</b>  | <b>84</b><br><b>63%</b> | <b>23</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>32</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>56</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>683</b>               |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>158</b><br><b>14%</b> | <b>81</b><br><b>16%</b>  | <b>8</b><br><b>8%</b>   | <b>69</b><br><b>13%</b>  | <b>65</b><br><b>17%</b>  | <b>31</b><br><b>11%</b>  | <b>20</b><br><b>8%</b>   | <b>64</b><br><b>15%</b>  | <b>78</b><br><b>15%</b>  | <b>63</b><br><b>20%</b>  | <b>16</b><br><b>8%</b>   | <b>26</b><br><b>9%</b>       | <b>35</b><br><b>16%</b>  | <b>148</b><br><b>14%</b> | <b>9</b><br><b>9%</b>   | <b>18</b><br><b>11%</b>  | <b>18</b><br><b>16%</b> | <b>7</b><br><b>5%</b>   | <b>9</b><br><b>9%</b>   | <b>18</b><br><b>18%</b> | <b>18</b><br><b>20%</b> | <b>15</b><br><b>15%</b>  | <b>17</b><br><b>13%</b> | <b>11</b><br><b>21%</b> | <b>12</b><br><b>20%</b> | <b>17</b><br><b>16%</b> | <b>173</b>               |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>543</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>243</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>58</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>242</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>135</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>138</b><br><b>48%</b> | <b>188</b><br><b>74%</b> | <b>176</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>209</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>103</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>111</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>187</b><br><b>65%</b>     | <b>82</b><br><b>37%</b>  | <b>499</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>44</b><br><b>44%</b> | <b>99</b><br><b>61%</b>  | <b>55</b><br><b>50%</b> | <b>83</b><br><b>57%</b> | <b>54</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>36</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>28</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>48</b><br><b>48%</b>  | <b>67</b><br><b>50%</b> | <b>13</b><br><b>25%</b> | <b>20</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>40</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>510</b><br><b>44%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 209

**Q.19 From this card, could you please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements. The Westminster Parliament...**

**- ...is worthwhile -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Urbanity                 |                          |                         | Interest in politics     |                          | Likelihood to vote       |                          | Political activism      |                          | Opinion on present system |                          | Knew local MP            |                          | Unwtd total              |                          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                            | Urban                    | Rural                    | Mixed                   | Interested               | Not interested           | Certain to               | Certain not to           | Activist                | Non-activist             | Works well                | Needs improvement        | Yes                      | No                       |                          |                          |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                     | 773                      | 145                     | 238                      | 580                      | 569                      | 627                      | 143                     | 160                      | 996                       | 327                      | 783                      | 495                      | 661                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total             | 1156                     | 784                      | 136                     | 235                      | 611                      | 539                      | 619                      | 140                     | 180                      | 976                       | 322                      | 793                      | 511                      | 645                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b>               | <b>97</b>               | <b>170</b>               | <b>404</b>               | <b>394</b>               | <b>430</b>               | <b>96</b>               | <b>118</b>               | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b>               | <b>543</b>               | <b>339</b>               | <b>464</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Strongly agree             | 130<br>11%               | 89<br>11%                | 23<br>17%               | 18<br>8%                 | 107<br>18%               | 22<br>4%                 | 100<br>16%               | 5<br>4%                 | 41<br>23%                | 89<br>9%                  | 54<br>17%                | 74<br>9%                 | 71<br>14%                | 59<br>9%                 | 127<br>11%               |
| Tend to agree              | 571<br>49%               | 383<br>49%               | 63<br>46%               | 125<br>53%               | 360<br>59%               | 209<br>39%               | 355<br>57%               | 45<br>32%               | 91<br>51%                | 480<br>49%                | 187<br>58%               | 374<br>47%               | 275<br>54%               | 296<br>46%               | 556<br>48%               |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 232<br>20%               | 158<br>20%               | 33<br>24%               | 42<br>18%                | 80<br>13%                | 151<br>28%               | 80<br>13%                | 37<br>27%               | 25<br>14%                | 207<br>21%                | 51<br>16%                | 168<br>21%               | 85<br>17%                | 147<br>23%               | 228<br>20%               |
| Tend to disagree           | 105<br>9%                | 67<br>8%                 | 9<br>7%                 | 29<br>12%                | 36<br>6%                 | 69<br>13%                | 41<br>7%                 | 14<br>10%               | 15<br>8%                 | 90<br>9%                  | 12<br>4%                 | 89<br>11%                | 48<br>9%                 | 57<br>9%                 | 113<br>10%               |
| Strongly disagree          | 53<br>5%                 | 35<br>4%                 | 5<br>3%                 | 13<br>6%                 | 12<br>2%                 | 40<br>7%                 | 19<br>3%                 | 18<br>13%               | 2<br>1%                  | 51<br>5%                  | 4<br>1%                  | 48<br>6%                 | 12<br>2%                 | 41<br>6%                 | 60<br>5%                 |
| Don't know                 | 65<br>6%                 | 53<br>7%                 | 4<br>3%                 | 7<br>3%                  | 17<br>3%                 | 48<br>9%                 | 24<br>4%                 | 20<br>15%               | 5<br>3%                  | 60<br>6%                  | 13<br>4%                 | 40<br>5%                 | 20<br>4%                 | 45<br>7%                 | 72<br>6%                 |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>701</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>472</b><br><b>60%</b> | <b>86</b><br><b>63%</b> | <b>144</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>467</b><br><b>76%</b> | <b>231</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>455</b><br><b>73%</b> | <b>50</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>132</b><br><b>74%</b> | <b>569</b><br><b>58%</b>  | <b>241</b><br><b>75%</b> | <b>448</b><br><b>57%</b> | <b>346</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>355</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>683</b><br><b>59%</b> |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>158</b><br><b>14%</b> | <b>102</b><br><b>13%</b> | <b>14</b><br><b>10%</b> | <b>42</b><br><b>18%</b>  | <b>48</b><br><b>8%</b>   | <b>108</b><br><b>20%</b> | <b>60</b><br><b>10%</b>  | <b>32</b><br><b>23%</b> | <b>17</b><br><b>9%</b>   | <b>141</b><br><b>14%</b>  | <b>16</b><br><b>5%</b>   | <b>137</b><br><b>17%</b> | <b>60</b><br><b>12%</b>  | <b>98</b><br><b>15%</b>  | <b>173</b><br><b>15%</b> |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>543</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>370</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>72</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>101</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>418</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>123</b><br><b>23%</b> | <b>394</b><br><b>64%</b> | <b>19</b><br><b>14%</b> | <b>116</b><br><b>64%</b> | <b>428</b><br><b>44%</b>  | <b>226</b><br><b>70%</b> | <b>311</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>286</b><br><b>56%</b> | <b>257</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>510</b><br><b>44%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 210

**Q.19 From this card, could you please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements. The Westminster Parliament...**

**- ...is worthwhile -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Quiz score        |                  |                   | Satisfaction with local MP |                   | Satisfaction with MPs in general |                   | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |                   | Use of internet   |                   | Unwtd total       |                     |
|----------------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|--|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
|                            | Total             | Scored 0-3       | Scored 4-6        | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied         | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied         | Dissatisfied                           | Agree             | Disagree          | Use internet      |                   | Do not use internet |
| Unweighted total           | <b>1156</b>       | 210              | 463               | 483                        | 459               | 183                              | 349               | 502                                    | 438               | 450               | 762               | 394               | 1156                |
| Weighted total             | <b>1156</b>       | 187              | 470               | 499                        | 444               | 190                              | 336               | 515                                    | 427               | 474               | 826               | 330               | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>        | <b>150</b>       | <b>310</b>        | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b>        | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b>        | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b>        | <b>302</b>        | <b>540</b>        | <b>269</b>        | <b>1156</b>         |
| Strongly agree             | <b>130</b><br>11% | 5<br>3%          | 39<br>8%          | 86<br>17%                  | 66<br>15%         | 18<br>9%                         | 63<br>19%         | 41<br>8%                               | 68<br>16%         | 38<br>8%          | 93<br>11%         | 37<br>11%         | 127<br>11%          |
| Tend to agree              | <b>571</b><br>49% | 65<br>35%        | 215<br>46%        | 291<br>58%                 | 276<br>62%        | 78<br>41%                        | 214<br>64%        | 219<br>43%                             | 258<br>60%        | 201<br>42%        | 415<br>50%        | 156<br>47%        | 556<br>48%          |
| Neither agree nor disagree | <b>232</b><br>20% | 45<br>24%        | 111<br>24%        | 75<br>15%                  | 63<br>14%         | 34<br>18%                        | 38<br>11%         | 106<br>21%                             | 58<br>14%         | 102<br>21%        | 166<br>20%        | 67<br>20%         | 228<br>20%          |
| Tend to disagree           | <b>105</b><br>9%  | 18<br>9%         | 55<br>12%         | 32<br>6%                   | 26<br>6%          | 30<br>16%                        | 13<br>4%          | 78<br>15%                              | 14<br>3%          | 72<br>15%         | 74<br>9%          | 31<br>9%          | 113<br>10%          |
| Strongly disagree          | <b>53</b><br>5%   | 17<br>9%         | 26<br>6%          | 10<br>2%                   | 6<br>1%           | 20<br>10%                        | 3<br>1%           | 40<br>8%                               | 13<br>3%          | 35<br>7%          | 43<br>5%          | 10<br>3%          | 60<br>5%            |
| Don't know                 | <b>65</b><br>6%   | 37<br>20%        | 23<br>5%          | 5<br>1%                    | 6<br>1%           | 10<br>5%                         | 4<br>1%           | 30<br>6%                               | 16<br>4%          | 25<br>5%          | 35<br>4%          | 29<br>9%          | 72<br>6%            |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>701</b><br>61% | <b>70</b><br>37% | <b>254</b><br>54% | <b>377</b><br>75%          | <b>343</b><br>77% | <b>95</b><br>50%                 | <b>277</b><br>82% | <b>260</b><br>51%                      | <b>326</b><br>76% | <b>240</b><br>51% | <b>508</b><br>62% | <b>193</b><br>58% | <b>683</b><br>59%   |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>158</b><br>14% | <b>35</b><br>18% | <b>81</b><br>17%  | <b>42</b><br>8%            | <b>31</b><br>7%   | <b>50</b><br>26%                 | <b>17</b><br>5%   | <b>118</b><br>23%                      | <b>27</b><br>6%   | <b>107</b><br>23% | <b>117</b><br>14% | <b>41</b><br>12%  | <b>173</b><br>15%   |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>543</b><br>47% | <b>36</b><br>19% | <b>173</b><br>37% | <b>335</b><br>67%          | <b>311</b><br>70% | <b>45</b><br>24%                 | <b>260</b><br>77% | <b>142</b><br>28%                      | <b>299</b><br>70% | <b>132</b><br>28% | <b>392</b><br>47% | <b>152</b><br>46% | <b>510</b><br>44%   |

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Table 211

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Base : All respondents age 18+

|                            | Seat marginality         |                          |                          |                          | Segment                  |                         |                          |                          |                          |                         |                         |                          | Unwtd total             |                          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
|                            | Total                    | Less than 5% majority    | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%)  | Safe (>20%)              | Politically committed   | Active campaigners       | Interested bystanders    | Detached cynics          | Politically contented   | Bored/apathetic         | Disengaged/mistrustful   |                         | Alienated/hostile        |
| Unweighted total           | 1156                     | 163                      | 351                      | 386                      | 419                      | 96                      | 142                      | 146                      | 228                      | 62                      | 93                      | 287                      | 102                     | 1156                     |
| Weighted total             | 1156                     | 175                      | 373                      | 396                      | 387                      | 116                     | 157                      | 159                      | 191                      | 66                      | 92                      | 277                      | 99                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>      | <b>801</b>               | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>               | <b>263</b>               | <b>290</b>               | <b>72</b>               | <b>101</b>               | <b>92</b>                | <b>160</b>               | <b>49</b>               | <b>66</b>               | <b>209</b>               | <b>63</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Strongly agree             | 130<br>11%               | 19<br>11%                | 49<br>13%                | 46<br>12%                | 35<br>9%                 | 22<br>19%               | 33<br>21%                | 30<br>19%                | 19<br>10%                | 11<br>17%               | 4<br>4%                 | 11<br>4%                 | 1<br>1%                 | 127<br>11%               |
| Tend to agree              | 571<br>49%               | 99<br>57%                | 199<br>53%               | 178<br>45%               | 194<br>50%               | 65<br>56%               | 92<br>59%                | 85<br>54%                | 86<br>45%                | 38<br>57%               | 52<br>57%               | 133<br>48%               | 20<br>21%               | 556<br>48%               |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 232<br>20%               | 29<br>17%                | 68<br>18%                | 84<br>21%                | 80<br>21%                | 15<br>13%               | 18<br>12%                | 27<br>17%                | 37<br>20%                | 14<br>22%               | 20<br>21%               | 71<br>26%                | 29<br>29%               | 228<br>20%               |
| Tend to disagree           | 105<br>9%                | 15<br>9%                 | 31<br>8%                 | 41<br>10%                | 32<br>8%                 | 10<br>9%                | 7<br>5%                  | 11<br>7%                 | 26<br>14%                | 3<br>4%                 | 8<br>9%                 | 29<br>11%                | 11<br>11%               | 113<br>10%               |
| Strongly disagree          | 53<br>5%                 | 8<br>4%                  | 11<br>3%                 | 23<br>6%                 | 19<br>5%                 | 1<br>2%                 | 2<br>1%                  | 3<br>2%                  | 8<br>4%                  | -<br>1%                 | 4<br>4%                 | 17<br>6%                 | 18<br>20%               | 60<br>6%                 |
| Don't know                 | 65<br>6%                 | 5<br>3%                  | 14<br>4%                 | 24<br>6%                 | 26<br>7%                 | 2<br>2%                 | 5<br>3%                  | 3<br>2%                  | 15<br>8%                 | *<br>1%                 | 3<br>4%                 | 17<br>6%                 | 20<br>20%               | 72<br>6%                 |
| <b>Agree</b>               | <b>701</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>118</b><br><b>67%</b> | <b>248</b><br><b>67%</b> | <b>224</b><br><b>57%</b> | <b>229</b><br><b>59%</b> | <b>87</b><br><b>75%</b> | <b>125</b><br><b>80%</b> | <b>116</b><br><b>73%</b> | <b>105</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>49</b><br><b>74%</b> | <b>56</b><br><b>61%</b> | <b>144</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>21</b><br><b>21%</b> | <b>683</b><br><b>59%</b> |
| <b>Disagree</b>            | <b>158</b><br><b>14%</b> | <b>23</b><br><b>13%</b>  | <b>42</b><br><b>11%</b>  | <b>64</b><br><b>16%</b>  | <b>51</b><br><b>13%</b>  | <b>11</b><br><b>10%</b> | <b>9</b><br><b>6%</b>    | <b>13</b><br><b>8%</b>   | <b>35</b><br><b>18%</b>  | <b>3</b><br><b>4%</b>   | <b>13</b><br><b>14%</b> | <b>46</b><br><b>17%</b>  | <b>29</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>173</b><br><b>15%</b> |
| <b>Net agree</b>           | <b>543</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>95</b><br><b>54%</b>  | <b>206</b><br><b>55%</b> | <b>160</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>178</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>76</b><br><b>66%</b> | <b>116</b><br><b>74%</b> | <b>102</b><br><b>64%</b> | <b>70</b><br><b>37%</b>  | <b>46</b><br><b>70%</b> | <b>44</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>98</b><br><b>35%</b>  | <b>-8</b><br><b>-8%</b> | <b>510</b><br><b>44%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 212

**Q.19 From this card, could you please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements. The Westminster Parliament...**

**- Summary -**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                               | ...holds<br>government to<br>account | ...is welcoming<br>to the public | ...is working<br>for you and me | ...is<br>worthwhile      |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Unweighted total              | 1156                                 | 1156                             | 1156                            | 1156                     |
| Weighted total                | 1156                                 | 1156                             | 1156                            | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>         | <b>801</b>                           | <b>801</b>                       | <b>801</b>                      | <b>801</b>               |
| Strongly agree                | 41<br>4%                             | 18<br>2%                         | 30<br>3%                        | 130<br>11%               |
| Tend to agree                 | 412<br>36%                           | 294<br>25%                       | 410<br>35%                      | 571<br>49%               |
| Neither agree nor<br>disagree | 234<br>20%                           | 320<br>28%                       | 259<br>22%                      | 232<br>20%               |
| Tend to disagree              | 249<br>22%                           | 271<br>23%                       | 289<br>25%                      | 105<br>9%                |
| Strongly disagree             | 63<br>5%                             | 86<br>7%                         | 110<br>9%                       | 53<br>5%                 |
| Don't know                    | 158<br>14%                           | 169<br>15%                       | 59<br>5%                        | 65<br>6%                 |
| <b>Agree</b>                  | <b>453</b><br><b>39%</b>             | <b>311</b><br><b>27%</b>         | <b>440</b><br><b>38%</b>        | <b>701</b><br><b>61%</b> |
| <b>Disagree</b>               | <b>312</b><br><b>27%</b>             | <b>356</b><br><b>31%</b>         | <b>398</b><br><b>34%</b>        | <b>158</b><br><b>14%</b> |
| <b>Net agree</b>              | <b>141</b><br><b>12%</b>             | <b>-45</b><br><b>-4%</b>         | <b>42</b><br><b>4%</b>          | <b>543</b><br><b>47%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Number of sample points : 210  
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Table 213

**Q.20 From this list, which two or three of the following do you believe have most impact on people's everyday lives?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Gender      |            | Age        |           |            |            |            |            |            |           |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |                       |                                 | Unwtd total |             |
|--|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|  | Male        | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34     | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34     | 35-54      | 55+        | AB           | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands  | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepsa rated |             |             |
| Unweighted total                                       | <b>1156</b> | 552        | 604        | 138       | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135       | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290                   | 669                             | 197         | 1156        |
| Weighted total   | <b>1156</b> | 561        | 595        | 173       | 183        | 216        | 186        | 169        | 117        | 111       | 356        | 402        | 398          | 310        | 333        | 241        | 272        | 642        | 514        | 387        | 411        | 358            | 306                   | 681                             | 169         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                                  | <b>801</b>  | <b>391</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>98</b> | <b>145</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b> | <b>236</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>222</b> | <b>401</b> | <b>413</b> | <b>312</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                      | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| Media  | <b>731</b>  | 341        | 390        | 125       | 117        | 138        | 126        | 105        | 65         | 56        | 242        | 264        | 225          | 226        | 237        | 135        | 132        | 464        | 267        | 244        | 285        | 201            | 202                   | 443                             | 86          | 679         |
|  | <b>63%</b>  | 61%        | 66%        | 72%       | 64%        | 64%        | 68%        | 62%        | 55%        | 50%       | 68%        | 66%        | 57%          | 73%        | 71%        | 56%        | 49%        | 72%        | 52%        | 63%        | 69%        | 56%            | 66%                   | 65%                             | 51%         | 59%         |
| Local Councils   | <b>578</b>  | 253        | 325        | 84        | 101        | 100        | 90         | 87         | 60         | 56        | 185        | 190        | 203          | 150        | 152        | 132        | 144        | 302        | 276        | 210        | 206        | 162            | 155                   | 336                             | 88          | 583         |
|  | <b>50%</b>  | 45%        | 55%        | 49%       | 55%        | 46%        | 49%        | 51%        | 51%        | 50%       | 52%        | 47%        | 51%          | 48%        | 46%        | 55%        | 53%        | 47%        | 54%        | 54%        | 50%        | 45%            | 51%                   | 49%                             | 52%         | 50%         |
| Business   | <b>504</b>  | 283        | 221        | 90        | 87         | 88         | 94         | 79         | 43         | 21        | 178        | 183        | 143          | 157        | 139        | 105        | 103        | 296        | 208        | 158        | 190        | 155            | 152                   | 293                             | 58          | 456         |
|  | <b>44%</b>  | 50%        | 37%        | 52%       | 48%        | 41%        | 51%        | 47%        | 37%        | 19%       | 50%        | 45%        | 36%          | 51%        | 42%        | 44%        | 38%        | 46%        | 40%        | 41%        | 46%        | 43%            | 50%                   | 43%                             | 35%         | 39%         |
| Civil Service  | <b>262</b>  | 136        | 127        | 37        | 37         | 48         | 46         | 38         | 36         | 21        | 74         | 93         | 95           | 80         | 77         | 49         | 57         | 157        | 106        | 72         | 109        | 80             | 67                    | 153                             | 43          | 258         |
|  | <b>23%</b>  | 24%        | 21%        | 22%       | 20%        | 22%        | 25%        | 22%        | 31%        | 19%       | 21%        | 23%        | 24%          | 26%        | 23%        | 20%        | 21%        | 24%        | 21%        | 19%        | 27%        | 22%            | 22%                   | 22%                             | 25%         | 22%         |
| European Union   | <b>236</b>  | 124        | 112        | 14        | 18         | 37         | 51         | 40         | 42         | 34        | 32         | 88         | 116          | 66         | 76         | 48         | 47         | 142        | 94         | 68         | 79         | 90             | 41                    | 152                             | 43          | 239         |
|  | <b>20%</b>  | 22%        | 19%        | 8%        | 10%        | 17%        | 28%        | 24%        | 36%        | 31%       | 9%         | 22%        | 29%          | 21%        | 23%        | 20%        | 17%        | 22%        | 18%        | 17%        | 19%        | 25%            | 14%                   | 22%                             | 26%         | 21%         |
| Westminster Parliament                                 | <b>216</b>  | 94         | 121        | 20        | 27         | 40         | 31         | 45         | 23         | 30        | 46         | 72         | 98           | 77         | 64         | 36         | 39         | 141        | 75         | 71         | 82         | 63             | 45                    | 134                             | 36          | 214         |
|  | <b>19%</b>  | 17%        | 20%        | 12%       | 14%        | 19%        | 17%        | 26%        | 20%        | 27%       | 13%        | 18%        | 25%          | 25%        | 19%        | 15%        | 14%        | 22%        | 15%        | 18%        | 20%        | 18%            | 15%                   | 20%                             | 21%         | 19%         |
| Prime Minister   | <b>198</b>  | 102        | 96         | 43        | 42         | 36         | 20         | 26         | 18         | 14        | 85         | 56         | 57           | 35         | 56         | 48         | 60         | 91         | 108        | 85         | 68         | 46             | 70                    | 104                             | 25          | 218         |
|  | <b>17%</b>  | 18%        | 16%        | 25%       | 23%        | 16%        | 11%        | 15%        | 12%        | 14%       | 14%        | 14%        | 14%          | 11%        | 17%        | 20%        | 22%        | 14%        | 21%        | 22%        | 16%        | 13%            | 23%                   | 15%                             | 15%         | 19%         |
| Scottish Parliament/<br>National Assembly for<br>Wales | <b>68</b>   | 30         | 38         | 9         | 11         | 11         | 6          | 12         | 11         | 9         | 20         | 17         | 31           | 14         | 18         | 14         | 22         | 31         | 36         | 45         | -          | 23             | 13                    | 43                              | 12          | 110         |
|  | <b>6%</b>   | 5%         | 6%         | 5%        | 6%         | 5%         | 3%         | 7%         | 9%         | 8%        | 6%         | 4%         | 8%           | 4%         | 5%         | 6%         | 8%         | 5%         | 7%         | 12%        | -          | 6%             | 4%                    | 6%                              | 7%          | 10%         |
| Cabinet  | <b>58</b>   | 42         | 15         | 6         | 14         | 11         | 8          | 8          | 7          | 3         | 20         | 19         | 19           | 18         | 23         | 10         | 7          | 41         | 17         | 14         | 25         | 19             | 16                    | 39                              | 3           | 66          |
|  | <b>5%</b>   | 8%         | 3%         | 3%        | 8%         | 5%         | 4%         | 5%         | 6%         | 3%        | 6%         | 5%         | 5%           | 6%         | 7%         | 4%         | 3%         | 6%         | 3%         | 4%         | 6%         | 5%             | 5%                    | 6%                              | 2%          | 6%          |
| Don't know   | <b>50</b>   | 26         | 25         | 6         | 6          | 11         | 6          | 4          | 3          | 13        | 13         | 17         | 20           | 6          | 9          | 13         | 22         | 15         | 35         | 17         | 14         | 20             | 13                    | 19                              | 18          | 55          |
|  | <b>4%</b>   | 5%         | 4%         | 4%        | 3%         | 5%         | 3%         | 2%         | 3%         | 12%       | 4%         | 4%         | 5%           | 2%         | 3%         | 5%         | 8%         | 2%         | 7%         | 4%         | 3%         | 6%             | 4%                    | 3%                              | 11%         | 5%          |

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Table 214

**Q.20 From this list, which two or three of the following do you believe have most impact on people's everyday lives?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity  |            | GO Region  |           |           |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           | Unwtd total |            |             |
|--|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|  | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME        | South East | Eastern   | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland   |             |
| Unweighted total                                       | <b>1156</b>    | 425        | 109         | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548                    | 318               | 183                          | 258              | 274        | 1007       | 146        | 116       | 102       | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68        | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total   | <b>1156</b>    | 520        | 109         | 527                   | 372        | 287                  | 253        | 423        | 522                    | 320               | 213                          | 287              | 219        | 1054       | 100        | 162       | 110       | 147        | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101        | 134        | 51        | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                                  | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b> | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b>             | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b> | <b>703</b> | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b> | <b>72</b> | <b>86</b>  | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b> | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| Media  | <b>731</b>     | 348        | 75          | 308                   | 227        | 209                  | 179        | 251        | 325                    | 206               | 154                          | 208              | 86         | 686        | 44         | 132       | 70        | 74         | 79            | 61            | 37                       | 67         | 89         | 32        | 33          | 56         | 679         |
|  | <b>63%</b>     | 67%        | 69%         | 58%                   | 61%        | 73%                  | 71%        | 59%        | 62%                    | 64%               | 72%                          | 73%              | 39%        | 65%        | 44%        | 82%       | 64%       | 50%        | 77%           | 59%           | 43%                      | 67%        | 66%        | 64%       | 57%         | 55%        | 59%         |
| Local Councils   | <b>578</b>     | 257        | 53          | 268                   | 192        | 135                  | 121        | 235        | 245                    | 165               | 114                          | 129              | 110        | 535        | 43         | 78        | 40        | 83         | 45            | 57            | 36                       | 49         | 74         | 26        | 30          | 61         | 583         |
|  | <b>50%</b>     | 49%        | 48%         | 51%                   | 52%        | 47%                  | 48%        | 56%        | 47%                    | 51%               | 53%                          | 45%              | 50%        | 51%        | 43%        | 48%       | 36%       | 57%        | 44%           | 55%           | 41%                      | 49%        | 55%        | 51%       | 52%         | 60%        | 50%         |
| Business   | <b>504</b>     | 265        | 49          | 190                   | 163        | 148                  | 123        | 169        | 237                    | 119               | 101                          | 152              | 71         | 462        | 41         | 81        | 54        | 58         | 52            | 35            | 48                       | 50         | 62         | 22        | 18          | 23         | 456         |
|  | <b>44%</b>     | 51%        | 45%         | 36%                   | 44%        | 51%                  | 49%        | 40%        | 46%                    | 37%               | 47%                          | 53%              | 32%        | 44%        | 41%        | 50%       | 49%       | 40%        | 50%           | 34%           | 55%                      | 50%        | 46%        | 44%       | 32%         | 23%        | 39%         |
| Civil Service  | <b>262</b>     | 125        | 17          | 120                   | 71         | 73                   | 74         | 84         | 114                    | 67                | 54                           | 81               | 38         | 240        | 22         | 54        | 27        | 38         | 17            | 27            | 13                       | 25         | 17         | 16        | 14          | 15         | 258         |
|  | <b>23%</b>     | 24%        | 16%         | 23%                   | 19%        | 26%                  | 29%        | 20%        | 22%                    | 21%               | 25%                          | 28%              | 17%        | 23%        | 22%        | 34%       | 24%       | 26%        | 17%           | 26%           | 15%                      | 24%        | 13%        | 32%       | 24%         | 15%        | 22%         |
| European Union   | <b>236</b>     | 90         | 25          | 122                   | 59         | 42                   | 60         | 78         | 114                    | 55                | 44                           | 62               | 46         | 228        | 9          | 34        | 36        | 20         | 25            | 23            | 22                       | 26         | 18         | 9         | 9           | 15         | 239         |
|  | <b>20%</b>     | 17%        | 23%         | 23%                   | 16%        | 15%                  | 24%        | 18%        | 22%                    | 17%               | 21%                          | 22%              | 21%        | 22%        | 9%         | 21%       | 33%       | 13%        | 24%           | 22%           | 25%                      | 26%        | 13%        | 19%       | 16%         | 15%        | 21%         |
| Westminster Parliament                                 | <b>216</b>     | 97         | 19          | 100                   | 55         | 45                   | 63         | 67         | 90                     | 49                | 48                           | 62               | 30         | 207        | 8          | 35        | 17        | 16         | 31            | 15            | 22                       | 14         | 18         | 9         | 9           | 30         | 214         |
|  | <b>19%</b>     | 19%        | 17%         | 19%                   | 15%        | 16%                  | 25%        | 16%        | 17%                    | 15%               | 23%                          | 21%              | 14%        | 20%        | 8%         | 22%       | 15%       | 11%        | 30%           | 15%           | 25%                      | 14%        | 13%        | 17%       | 16%         | 29%        | 19%         |
| Prime Minister   | <b>198</b>     | 82         | 24          | 92                    | 65         | 61                   | 24         | 100        | 80                     | 66                | 31                           | 41               | 43         | 173        | 26         | 16        | 20        | 27         | 25            | 14            | 4                        | 20         | 34         | 18        | 8           | 13         | 218         |
|  | <b>17%</b>     | 16%        | 22%         | 17%                   | 18%        | 21%                  | 10%        | 24%        | 15%                    | 21%               | 14%                          | 14%              | 19%        | 16%        | 26%        | 10%       | 18%       | 18%        | 25%           | 13%           | 5%                       | 20%        | 25%        | 35%       | 14%         | 13%        | 19%         |
| Scottish Parliament/<br>National Assembly for<br>Wales | <b>68</b>      | 31         | 3           | 34                    | 15         | 13                   | 12         | 33         | 26                     | 18                | 11                           | 17               | 18         | 67         | 1          | -         | -         | -          | -             | -             | -                        | -          | -          | -         | 23          | 45         | 110         |
|  | <b>6%</b>      | 6%         | 3%          | 6%                    | 4%         | 4%                   | 5%         | 8%         | 5%                     | 6%                | 5%                           | 6%               | 8%         | 6%         | 1%         | -         | -         | -          | -             | -             | -                        | -          | -          | -         | 40%         | 44%        | 10%         |
| Cabinet  | <b>58</b>      | 29         | 7           | 22                    | 13         | 15                   | 15         | 19         | 26                     | 14                | 9                            | 23               | 7          | 52         | 6          | 11        | 7         | 9          | 5             | 6             | 1                        | 4          | 5          | 5         | 4           | 1          | 66          |
|  | <b>5%</b>      | 6%         | 7%          | 4%                    | 3%         | 5%                   | 6%         | 5%         | 5%                     | 4%                | 4%                           | 8%               | 3%         | 5%         | 6%         | 7%        | 6%        | 6%         | 5%            | 6%            | 1%                       | 4%         | 4%         | 9%        | 7%          | 1%         | 6%          |
| Don't know   | <b>50</b>      | 12         | 2           | 36                    | 18         | 5                    | 11         | 15         | 24                     | 12                | 2                            | 4                | 27         | 41         | 10         | 2         | 6         | 12         | -             | 5             | 8                        | 4          | 7          | 1         | 1           | 5          | 55          |
|  | <b>4%</b>      | 2%         | 2%          | 7%                    | 5%         | 2%                   | 4%         | 3%         | 5%                     | 4%                | 1%                           | 1%               | 12%        | 4%         | 10%        | 1%        | 5%        | 8%         | -             | 5%            | 9%                       | 4%         | 5%         | 2%        | 2%          | 5%         | 5%          |

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Table 215

**Q.20 From this list, which two or three of the following do you believe have most impact on people's everyday lives?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Urbanity   |            |           | Interest in politics |            | Likelihood to vote |            | Political activism |            | Opinion on present system |            | Knew local MP     |            | Unwtd total |             |
|--|------------|------------|-----------|----------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|---------------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
|  | Total      | Urban      | Rural     | Mixed                | Interested | Not interested     | Certain to | Certain not to     | Activist   | Non-activist              | Works well | Needs improvement | Yes        |             | No          |
| Unweighted total                                       | 1156       | 773        | 145       | 238                  | 580        | 569                | 627        | 143                | 160        | 996                       | 327        | 783               | 495        | 661         | 1156        |
| Weighted total   | 1156       | 784        | 136       | 235                  | 611        | 539                | 619        | 140                | 180        | 976                       | 322        | 793               | 511        | 645         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                                  | <b>801</b> | <b>535</b> | <b>97</b> | <b>170</b>           | <b>404</b> | <b>394</b>         | <b>430</b> | <b>96</b>          | <b>118</b> | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b> | <b>543</b>        | <b>339</b> | <b>464</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| Media  | 731        | 496        | 89        | 146                  | 415        | 315                | 402        | 75                 | 138        | 593                       | 193        | 514               | 340        | 391         | 679         |
|  | 63%        | 63%        | 65%       | 62%                  | 68%        | 59%                | 65%        | 53%                | 77%        | 61%                       | 60%        | 65%               | 67%        | 61%         | 59%         |
| Local Councils   | 578        | 394        | 66        | 118                  | 277        | 300                | 310        | 66                 | 77         | 501                       | 150        | 414               | 261        | 317         | 583         |
|  | 50%        | 50%        | 49%       | 50%                  | 45%        | 56%                | 50%        | 47%                | 43%        | 51%                       | 47%        | 52%               | 51%        | 49%         | 50%         |
| Business   | 504        | 355        | 61        | 87                   | 291        | 211                | 260        | 55                 | 111        | 393                       | 158        | 331               | 224        | 280         | 456         |
|  | 44%        | 45%        | 45%       | 37%                  | 48%        | 39%                | 42%        | 39%                | 62%        | 40%                       | 49%        | 42%               | 44%        | 43%         | 39%         |
| Civil Service  | 262        | 176        | 29        | 58                   | 158        | 104                | 154        | 32                 | 56         | 206                       | 66         | 192               | 133        | 129         | 258         |
|  | 23%        | 22%        | 21%       | 24%                  | 26%        | 19%                | 25%        | 23%                | 31%        | 21%                       | 20%        | 24%               | 26%        | 20%         | 22%         |
| European Union   | 236        | 136        | 47        | 54                   | 160        | 74                 | 158        | 23                 | 38         | 198                       | 52         | 183               | 119        | 118         | 239         |
|  | 20%        | 17%        | 35%       | 23%                  | 26%        | 14%                | 26%        | 16%                | 21%        | 20%                       | 16%        | 23%               | 23%        | 18%         | 21%         |
| Westminster Parliament                                 | 216        | 134        | 39        | 42                   | 152        | 62                 | 148        | 10                 | 52         | 164                       | 72         | 140               | 111        | 104         | 214         |
|  | 19%        | 17%        | 29%       | 18%                  | 25%        | 12%                | 24%        | 7%                 | 29%        | 17%                       | 23%        | 18%               | 22%        | 16%         | 19%         |
| Prime Minister   | 198        | 138        | 19        | 42                   | 94         | 104                | 89         | 26                 | 16         | 182                       | 67         | 124               | 80         | 118         | 218         |
|  | 17%        | 18%        | 14%       | 18%                  | 15%        | 19%                | 14%        | 19%                | 9%         | 19%                       | 21%        | 16%               | 16%        | 18%         | 19%         |
| Scottish Parliament/<br>National Assembly for<br>Wales | 68         | 34         | 16        | 18                   | 31         | 37                 | 36         | 11                 | 4          | 63                        | 24         | 43                | 26         | 42          | 110         |
|  | 6%         | 4%         | 11%       | 8%                   | 5%         | 7%                 | 6%         | 8%                 | 2%         | 6%                        | 7%         | 5%                | 5%         | 6%          | 10%         |
| Cabinet  | 58         | 44         | 3         | 10                   | 39         | 18                 | 25         | 2                  | 14         | 44                        | 17         | 40                | 29         | 28          | 66          |
|  | 5%         | 6%         | 3%        | 4%                   | 6%         | 3%                 | 4%         | 2%                 | 8%         | 5%                        | 5%         | 5%                | 6%         | 4%          | 6%          |
| Don't know   | 50         | 40         | 1         | 10                   | 12         | 37                 | 18         | 14                 | 2          | 49                        | 18         | 24                | 14         | 36          | 55          |
|  | 4%         | 5%         | 1%        | 4%                   | 2%         | 7%                 | 3%         | 10%                | 1%         | 5%                        | 6%         | 3%                | 3%         | 6%          | 5%          |

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Table 216

**Q.20 From this list, which two or three of the following do you believe have most impact on people's everyday lives?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Quiz score |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |            | Satisfaction with MPs in general |            | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |              | Unwtd total |                     |
|--|------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|--|------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
|  | Total      | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                           | Agree      | Disagree        | Use internet |             | Do not use internet |
| Unweighted total                                       | 1156       | 210        | 463        | 483                        | 459        | 183                              | 349        | 502                                    | 438        | 450             | 762          | 394         | 1156                |
| Weighted total   | 1156       | 187        | 470        | 499                        | 444        | 190                              | 336        | 515                                    | 427        | 474             | 826          | 330         | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                                  | <b>801</b> | <b>150</b> | <b>310</b> | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b> | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b> | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b> | <b>302</b>      | <b>540</b>   | <b>269</b>  | <b>1156</b>         |
| Media  | 731        | 83         | 293        | 355                        | 285        | 114                              | 205        | 327                                    | 253        | 325             | 581          | 150         | 679                 |
|  | 63%        | 44%        | 62%        | 71%                        | 64%        | 60%                              | 61%        | 64%                                    | 59%        | 69%             | 70%          | 46%         | 59%                 |
| Local Councils   | 578        | 91         | 243        | 245                        | 225        | 96                               | 176        | 266                                    | 233        | 238             | 405          | 173         | 583                 |
|  | 50%        | 48%        | 52%        | 49%                        | 51%        | 50%                              | 52%        | 52%                                    | 55%        | 50%             | 49%          | 53%         | 50%                 |
| Business   | 504        | 62         | 200        | 241                        | 179        | 80                               | 144        | 209                                    | 181        | 221             | 401          | 103         | 456                 |
|  | 44%        | 33%        | 43%        | 48%                        | 40%        | 42%                              | 43%        | 41%                                    | 42%        | 47%             | 48%          | 31%         | 39%                 |
| Civil Service  | 262        | 28         | 79         | 156                        | 114        | 42                               | 90         | 113                                    | 100        | 110             | 193          | 69          | 258                 |
|  | 23%        | 15%        | 17%        | 31%                        | 26%        | 22%                              | 27%        | 22%                                    | 23%        | 23%             | 23%          | 21%         | 22%                 |
| European Union   | 236        | 18         | 91         | 127                        | 100        | 44                               | 70         | 114                                    | 95         | 102             | 169          | 68          | 239                 |
|  | 20%        | 10%        | 19%        | 25%                        | 22%        | 23%                              | 21%        | 22%                                    | 22%        | 22%             | 20%          | 21%         | 21%                 |
| Westminster Parliament                                 | 216        | 18         | 80         | 118                        | 102        | 30                               | 71         | 90                                     | 93         | 79              | 158          | 57          | 214                 |
|  | 19%        | 9%         | 17%        | 24%                        | 23%        | 16%                              | 21%        | 17%                                    | 22%        | 17%             | 19%          | 17%         | 19%                 |
| Prime Minister   | 198        | 43         | 93         | 62                         | 78         | 27                               | 60         | 87                                     | 79         | 72              | 136          | 62          | 218                 |
|  | 17%        | 23%        | 20%        | 12%                        | 18%        | 14%                              | 18%        | 17%                                    | 18%        | 15%             | 16%          | 19%         | 19%                 |
| Scottish Parliament/<br>National Assembly for<br>Wales | 68         | 7          | 30         | 31                         | 23         | 14                               | 16         | 35                                     | 28         | 21              | 42           | 25          | 110                 |
|  | 6%         | 4%         | 6%         | 6%                         | 5%         | 7%                               | 5%         | 7%                                     | 7%         | 4%              | 5%           | 8%          | 10%                 |
| Cabinet  | 58         | 7          | 22         | 29                         | 22         | 10                               | 17         | 26                                     | 23         | 17              | 47           | 10          | 66                  |
|  | 5%         | 4%         | 5%         | 6%                         | 5%         | 5%                               | 5%         | 5%                                     | 5%         | 4%              | 6%           | 3%          | 6%                  |
| Don't know   | 50         | 24         | 21         | 5                          | 13         | 8                                | 10         | 19                                     | 9          | 18              | 17           | 33          | 55                  |
|  | 4%         | 13%        | 4%         | 1%                         | 3%         | 4%                               | 3%         | 4%                                     | 2%         | 4%              | 2%           | 10%         | 5%                  |

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Table 217

**Q.20 From this list, which two or three of the following do you believe have most impact on people's everyday lives?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Seat marginality |                       |                          |                         | Segment     |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        | Unwtd total |                   |
|--|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------|-------------------|
|  | Total            | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful |             | Alienated/hostile |
| Unweighted total                                       | 1156             | 163                   | 351                      | 386                     | 419         | 96                    | 142                | 146                   | 228             | 62                    | 93              | 287                    | 102         | 1156              |
| Weighted total   | 1156             | 175                   | 373                      | 396                     | 387         | 116                   | 157                | 159                   | 191             | 66                    | 92              | 277                    | 99          | 1156              |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                                  | <b>801</b>       | <b>113</b>            | <b>251</b>               | <b>263</b>              | <b>290</b>  | <b>72</b>             | <b>101</b>         | <b>92</b>             | <b>160</b>      | <b>49</b>             | <b>66</b>       | <b>209</b>             | <b>63</b>   | <b>1156</b>       |
| Media  | 731<br>63%       | 110<br>63%            | 230<br>62%               | 248<br>63%              | 253<br>65%  | 97<br>84%             | 110<br>70%         | 110<br>69%            | 100<br>52%      | 51<br>77%             | 46<br>50%       | 174<br>63%             | 44<br>45%   | 679<br>59%        |
| Local Councils   | 578<br>50%       | 84<br>48%             | 194<br>52%               | 186<br>47%              | 198<br>51%  | 51<br>44%             | 83<br>53%          | 86<br>54%             | 95<br>50%       | 28<br>42%             | 56<br>61%       | 133<br>48%             | 47<br>47%   | 583<br>50%        |
| Business   | 504<br>44%       | 78<br>45%             | 158<br>42%               | 176<br>44%              | 169<br>44%  | 67<br>58%             | 84<br>54%          | 63<br>40%             | 64<br>33%       | 28<br>43%             | 31<br>34%       | 127<br>46%             | 39<br>39%   | 456<br>39%        |
| Civil Service  | 262<br>23%       | 49<br>28%             | 96<br>26%                | 103<br>26%              | 63<br>16%   | 36<br>31%             | 47<br>30%          | 42<br>26%             | 27<br>14%       | 20<br>31%             | 22<br>24%       | 58<br>21%              | 11<br>11%   | 258<br>22%        |
| European Union   | 236<br>20%       | 40<br>23%             | 90<br>24%                | 77<br>19%               | 70<br>18%   | 25<br>22%             | 39<br>25%          | 50<br>31%             | 33<br>17%       | 18<br>28%             | 13<br>14%       | 38<br>14%              | 20<br>21%   | 239<br>21%        |
| Westminster Parliament                                 | 216<br>19%       | 45<br>26%             | 83<br>22%                | 68<br>17%               | 66<br>17%   | 29<br>25%             | 35<br>22%          | 53<br>33%             | 45<br>24%       | 9<br>13%              | 10<br>11%       | 29<br>10%              | 6<br>6%     | 214<br>19%        |
| Prime Minister   | 198<br>17%       | 28<br>16%             | 53<br>14%                | 80<br>20%               | 65<br>17%   | 14<br>12%             | 17<br>11%          | 23<br>14%             | 32<br>17%       | 9<br>14%              | 27<br>30%       | 55<br>20%              | 21<br>21%   | 218<br>19%        |
| Scottish Parliament/<br>National Assembly for<br>Wales | 68<br>6%         | 13<br>7%              | 19<br>5%                 | 15<br>4%                | 34<br>9%    | 6<br>5%               | 5<br>3%            | 7<br>4%               | 20<br>10%       | 7<br>11%              | 4<br>4%         | 13<br>5%               | 7<br>7%     | 110<br>10%        |
| Cabinet  | 58<br>5%         | 8<br>5%               | 17<br>4%                 | 21<br>5%                | 20<br>5%    | 12<br>10%             | 13<br>8%           | 4<br>2%               | 8<br>4%         | 3<br>4%               | 8<br>9%         | 6<br>2%                | 3<br>3%     | 66<br>6%          |
| Don't know   | 50<br>4%         | 6<br>3%               | 11<br>3%                 | 20<br>5%                | 19<br>5%    | -<br>-                | 2<br>1%            | -<br>-                | 16<br>8%        | 3<br>4%               | 2<br>2%         | 11<br>4%               | 17<br>17%   | 55<br>5%          |

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Table 218

### Q.21 How much would you say you trust politicians generally?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                   | Gender              |                     | Age                 |                    |                     |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                     |                     | Social class        |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     | Region              |                     |                     | Marital status      |                     |                       | Unwtd total        |                                |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|
|                                   | Total               | Male                | Female              | 18-24              | 25-34               | 35-44              | 45-54              | 55-64              | 65-74              | 75+                | 18-34               | 35-54               | 55+                 | AB                  | C1                  | C2                  | DE                  | ABC1                | C2DE                | North               | South               | Mid lands           | Single              | Married /Co-hab iting |                    | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |
| Unweighted total                  | 1156                | 552                 | 604                 | 138                | 207                 | 206                | 141                | 170                | 159                | 135                | 345                 | 347                 | 464                 | 224                 | 353                 | 257                 | 322                 | 577                 | 579                 | 438                 | 339                 | 379                 | 290                 | 669                   | 197                | 1156                           |
| Weighted total                    | 1156                | 561                 | 595                 | 173                | 183                 | 216                | 186                | 169                | 117                | 111                | 356                 | 402                 | 398                 | 310                 | 333                 | 241                 | 272                 | 642                 | 514                 | 387                 | 411                 | 358                 | 306                 | 681                   | 169                | 1156                           |
| <b>Effective Base</b>             | <b>801</b>          | <b>391</b>          | <b>410</b>          | <b>98</b>          | <b>145</b>          | <b>149</b>         | <b>105</b>         | <b>117</b>         | <b>135</b>         | <b>87</b>          | <b>236</b>          | <b>252</b>          | <b>323</b>          | <b>161</b>          | <b>256</b>          | <b>191</b>          | <b>222</b>          | <b>401</b>          | <b>413</b>          | <b>312</b>          | <b>250</b>          | <b>251</b>          | <b>203</b>          | <b>463</b>            | <b>139</b>         | <b>1156</b>                    |
| A great deal                      | 12<br>1%            | 4<br>1%             | 8<br>1%             | 3<br>1%            | 1<br>*              | 1<br>1%            | 2<br>1%            | 2<br>1%            | 3<br>2%            | 1<br>*             | 3<br>1%             | 3<br>1%             | 6<br>1%             | 6<br>2%             | 4<br>1%             | 1<br>*              | 2<br>1%             | 10<br>2%            | 2<br>*              | 2<br>*              | 8<br>2%             | 3<br>1%             | 3<br>1%             | 9<br>1%               | 1<br>*             | 12<br>1%                       |
| A fair amount                     | 290<br>25%          | 154<br>27%          | 136<br>23%          | 39<br>23%          | 39<br>21%           | 58<br>27%          | 51<br>27%          | 44<br>26%          | 33<br>28%          | 27<br>25%          | 77<br>22%           | 109<br>27%          | 104<br>26%          | 97<br>31%           | 81<br>24%           | 48<br>20%           | 64<br>24%           | 178<br>28%          | 112<br>22%          | 94<br>24%           | 112<br>27%          | 84<br>24%           | 66<br>22%           | 176<br>26%            | 48<br>28%          | 290<br>25%                     |
| Not very much                     | 556<br>48%          | 248<br>44%          | 308<br>52%          | 75<br>44%          | 94<br>51%           | 100<br>46%         | 84<br>45%          | 86<br>51%          | 56<br>48%          | 60<br>54%          | 170<br>48%          | 183<br>46%          | 203<br>51%          | 162<br>52%          | 168<br>51%          | 111<br>46%          | 115<br>42%          | 330<br>51%          | 226<br>44%          | 179<br>46%          | 209<br>51%          | 168<br>47%          | 147<br>48%          | 325<br>48%            | 84<br>50%          | 549<br>47%                     |
| Not at all                        | 286<br>25%          | 148<br>26%          | 138<br>23%          | 54<br>31%          | 48<br>26%           | 56<br>26%          | 49<br>26%          | 35<br>20%          | 24<br>21%          | 21<br>19%          | 101<br>28%          | 105<br>26%          | 79<br>20%           | 45<br>15%           | 77<br>23%           | 76<br>32%           | 88<br>32%           | 122<br>19%          | 164<br>32%          | 109<br>28%          | 80<br>20%           | 97<br>27%           | 88<br>29%           | 167<br>25%            | 30<br>18%          | 287<br>25%                     |
| Don't know                        | 12<br>1%            | 6<br>1%             | 6<br>1%             | 2<br>1%            | 2<br>1%             | 1<br>-             | -<br>1%            | 2<br>1%            | 1<br>2%            | 3<br>1%            | 5<br>1%             | 1<br>*              | 6<br>2%             | -<br>-              | 3<br>1%             | 6<br>2%             | 3<br>1%             | 3<br>*              | 9<br>2%             | 3<br>1%             | 2<br>1%             | 6<br>2%             | 2<br>1%             | 5<br>1%               | 6<br>3%            | 18<br>2%                       |
| <b>A great deal/a fair amount</b> | <b>302</b><br>26%   | <b>159</b><br>28%   | <b>144</b><br>24%   | <b>41</b><br>24%   | <b>39</b><br>21%    | <b>59</b><br>27%   | <b>53</b><br>29%   | <b>46</b><br>27%   | <b>35</b><br>30%   | <b>28</b><br>25%   | <b>81</b><br>23%    | <b>112</b><br>28%   | <b>110</b><br>28%   | <b>103</b><br>33%   | <b>84</b><br>25%    | <b>49</b><br>20%    | <b>66</b><br>24%    | <b>187</b><br>29%   | <b>115</b><br>22%   | <b>96</b><br>25%    | <b>120</b><br>29%   | <b>87</b><br>24%    | <b>69</b><br>23%    | <b>184</b><br>27%     | <b>49</b><br>29%   | <b>302</b><br>26%              |
| <b>Not very much/not at all</b>   | <b>842</b><br>73%   | <b>396</b><br>71%   | <b>445</b><br>75%   | <b>129</b><br>75%  | <b>142</b><br>77%   | <b>156</b><br>72%  | <b>133</b><br>71%  | <b>121</b><br>71%  | <b>80</b><br>69%   | <b>81</b><br>73%   | <b>271</b><br>76%   | <b>288</b><br>72%   | <b>282</b><br>71%   | <b>207</b><br>67%   | <b>245</b><br>74%   | <b>187</b><br>77%   | <b>203</b><br>75%   | <b>452</b><br>70%   | <b>390</b><br>76%   | <b>288</b><br>74%   | <b>289</b><br>70%   | <b>265</b><br>74%   | <b>235</b><br>77%   | <b>492</b><br>72%     | <b>115</b><br>68%  | <b>836</b><br>72%              |
| <b>Net great deal/fair amount</b> | <b>-540</b><br>-47% | <b>-238</b><br>-42% | <b>-302</b><br>-51% | <b>-88</b><br>-51% | <b>-103</b><br>-56% | <b>-97</b><br>-45% | <b>-79</b><br>-43% | <b>-75</b><br>-44% | <b>-45</b><br>-38% | <b>-53</b><br>-48% | <b>-191</b><br>-54% | <b>-176</b><br>-44% | <b>-173</b><br>-43% | <b>-103</b><br>-33% | <b>-161</b><br>-48% | <b>-138</b><br>-57% | <b>-137</b><br>-50% | <b>-264</b><br>-41% | <b>-276</b><br>-54% | <b>-193</b><br>-50% | <b>-169</b><br>-41% | <b>-178</b><br>-50% | <b>-167</b><br>-54% | <b>-308</b><br>-45%   | <b>-66</b><br>-39% | <b>-534</b><br>-46%            |

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### Q.21 How much would you say you trust politicians generally?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                   | Working status |             |             | Children in household |             | Newspaper readership |            |             | Education                |                   |                                |                  | Ethnicity   |             | GO Region  |            |            |            |               |               |                          |            |            |            | Unwtd total |            |             |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|----------------------|------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|                                   | Full time      | Part time   | Not working | Yes                   | No          | Quality              | Popular    | None        | GCSE/O-Level/ CSE/ NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/ Masters/ PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White       | BME         | South East | Eastern    | London     | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales      |             | Scotland   |             |
| Unweighted total                  | 1156           | 425         | 109         | 622                   | 360         | 234                  | 201        | 445         | 548                      | 318               | 183                            | 258              | 274         | 1007        | 146        | 116        | 102        | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68         | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total                    | 1156           | 520         | 109         | 527                   | 372         | 287                  | 253        | 423         | 522                      | 320               | 213                            | 287              | 219         | 1054        | 100        | 162        | 110        | 147        | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101        | 134        | 51         | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>             | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b>  | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b>  | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b>  | <b>382</b>               | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                     | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b>  | <b>703</b>  | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b>  | <b>72</b>  | <b>86</b>  | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b>  | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| A great deal                      | 12             | -           | 4           | 8                     | 4           | 3                    | 5          | 2           | 5                        | -                 | 5                              | 6                | *           | 10          | 2          | 5          | 1          | 2          | -             | 2             | -                        | -          | 1          | -          | -           | 1          | 12          |
|                                   | 1%             | -           | 4%          | 2%                    | 1%          | 1%                   | 2%         | 1%          | 1%                       | -                 | 2%                             | 2%               | *           | 1%          | 2%         | 3%         | 1%         | 2%         | -             | 2%            | -                        | -          | *          | -          | -           | 1%         |             |
| A fair amount                     | 290            | 118         | 31          | 141                   | 83          | 60                   | 83         | 104         | 115                      | 66                | 53                             | 108              | 43          | 256         | 34         | 40         | 28         | 40         | 32            | 27            | 20                       | 15         | 41         | 10         | 10          | 27         | 290         |
|                                   | 25%            | 23%         | 29%         | 27%                   | 22%         | 21%                  | 33%        | 25%         | 22%                      | 21%               | 25%                            | 38%              | 19%         | 24%         | 34%        | 25%        | 25%        | 27%        | 31%           | 26%           | 23%                      | 14%        | 31%        | 21%        | 17%         | 27%        |             |
| Not very much                     | 556            | 245         | 60          | 251                   | 169         | 153                  | 130        | 193         | 254                      | 135               | 110                            | 136              | 107         | 514         | 41         | 91         | 48         | 74         | 44            | 46            | 50                       | 54         | 59         | 26         | 23          | 40         | 549         |
|                                   | 48%            | 47%         | 55%         | 48%                   | 46%         | 53%                  | 52%        | 46%         | 49%                      | 42%               | 51%                            | 48%              | 49%         | 49%         | 41%        | 56%        | 44%        | 50%        | 43%           | 45%           | 58%                      | 54%        | 44%        | 51%        | 41%         | 40%        |             |
| Not at all                        | 286            | 152         | 13          | 121                   | 114         | 69                   | 32         | 121         | 140                      | 117               | 44                             | 35               | 63          | 267         | 19         | 26         | 31         | 28         | 26            | 28            | 14                       | 31         | 33         | 14         | 23          | 30         | 287         |
|                                   | 25%            | 29%         | 12%         | 23%                   | 31%         | 24%                  | 13%        | 29%         | 27%                      | 37%               | 21%                            | 12%              | 29%         | 25%         | 19%        | 16%        | 28%        | 19%        | 26%           | 27%           | 16%                      | 31%        | 25%        | 28%        | 40%         | 30%        |             |
| Don't know                        | 12             | 5           | 1           | 6                     | 2           | 3                    | 2          | 2           | 7                        | 2                 | 2                              | *                | 7           | 8           | 4          | -          | 1          | 2          | *             | 1             | 2                        | 1          | -          | -          | 1           | 2          |             |
|                                   | 1%             | 1%          | 1%          | 1%                    | 1%          | 1%                   | 1%         | 1%          | 1%                       | 1%                | 1%                             | *                | 3%          | 1%          | 4%         | -          | 1%         | 1%         | *             | 1%            | 3%                       | 1%         | -          | -          | 2%          | 2%         |             |
| <b>A great deal/a fair amount</b> | <b>302</b>     | <b>118</b>  | <b>35</b>   | <b>149</b>            | <b>87</b>   | <b>63</b>            | <b>88</b>  | <b>106</b>  | <b>120</b>               | <b>66</b>         | <b>58</b>                      | <b>115</b>       | <b>43</b>   | <b>266</b>  | <b>36</b>  | <b>45</b>  | <b>29</b>  | <b>42</b>  | <b>32</b>     | <b>28</b>     | <b>20</b>                | <b>15</b>  | <b>42</b>  | <b>10</b>  | <b>10</b>   | <b>29</b>  | <b>302</b>  |
|                                   | 26%            | 23%         | 32%         | 28%                   | 23%         | 22%                  | 35%        | 25%         | 23%                      | 21%               | 27%                            | 40%              | 20%         | 25%         | 36%        | 28%        | 26%        | 29%        | 31%           | 27%           | 23%                      | 14%        | 31%        | 21%        | 17%         | 28%        |             |
| <b>Not very much/not at all</b>   | <b>842</b>     | <b>397</b>  | <b>73</b>   | <b>372</b>            | <b>283</b>  | <b>221</b>           | <b>163</b> | <b>314</b>  | <b>394</b>               | <b>252</b>        | <b>154</b>                     | <b>172</b>       | <b>170</b>  | <b>780</b>  | <b>60</b>  | <b>117</b> | <b>80</b>  | <b>102</b> | <b>70</b>     | <b>74</b>     | <b>64</b>                | <b>85</b>  | <b>92</b>  | <b>40</b>  | <b>47</b>   | <b>71</b>  | <b>836</b>  |
|                                   | 73%            | 76%         | 67%         | 71%                   | 76%         | 77%                  | 64%        | 74%         | 76%                      | 79%               | 72%                            | 60%              | 77%         | 74%         | 60%        | 72%        | 73%        | 70%        | 69%           | 72%           | 74%                      | 85%        | 69%        | 79%        | 81%         | 69%        |             |
| <b>Net great deal/fair amount</b> | <b>-540</b>    | <b>-279</b> | <b>-37</b>  | <b>-224</b>           | <b>-196</b> | <b>-159</b>          | <b>-75</b> | <b>-208</b> | <b>-274</b>              | <b>-186</b>       | <b>-97</b>                     | <b>-57</b>       | <b>-127</b> | <b>-515</b> | <b>-24</b> | <b>-72</b> | <b>-51</b> | <b>-59</b> | <b>-38</b>    | <b>-46</b>    | <b>-44</b>               | <b>-71</b> | <b>-50</b> | <b>-30</b> | <b>-37</b>  | <b>-42</b> | <b>-534</b> |
|                                   | -47%           | -54%        | -34%        | -42%                  | -53%        | -55%                 | -30%       | -49%        | -53%                     | -58%              | -45%                           | -20%             | -58%        | -49%        | -24%       | -44%       | -46%       | -41%       | -37%          | -44%          | -51%                     | -70%       | -37%       | -59%       | -64%        | -41%       |             |

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Table 220

### Q.21 How much would you say you trust politicians generally?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                   | Urbanity                   |                            |                           | Interest in politics       |                            | Likelihood to vote         |                            | Political activism         |                           | Opinion on present system  |                          | Knew local MP              |                            | Unwtd total                |                            |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
|                                   | Total                      | Urban                      | Rural                     | Mixed                      | Interested                 | Not interested             | Certain to                 | Certain not to             | Activist                  | Non-activist               | Works well               | Needs improvement          | Yes                        |                            | No                         |
| Unweighted total                  | 1156                       | 773                        | 145                       | 238                        | 580                        | 569                        | 627                        | 143                        | 160                       | 996                        | 327                      | 783                        | 495                        | 661                        | 1156                       |
| Weighted total                    | 1156                       | 784                        | 136                       | 235                        | 611                        | 539                        | 619                        | 140                        | 180                       | 976                        | 322                      | 793                        | 511                        | 645                        | 1156                       |
| <b>Effective Base</b>             | <b>801</b>                 | <b>535</b>                 | <b>97</b>                 | <b>170</b>                 | <b>404</b>                 | <b>394</b>                 | <b>430</b>                 | <b>96</b>                  | <b>118</b>                | <b>684</b>                 | <b>232</b>               | <b>543</b>                 | <b>339</b>                 | <b>464</b>                 | <b>1156</b>                |
| A great deal                      | 12<br>1%                   | 8<br>1%                    | -                         | 4<br>2%                    | 7<br>1%                    | 5<br>1%                    | 8<br>1%                    | -                          | 1<br>*                    | 11<br>1%                   | 7<br>2%                  | 5<br>1%                    | 5<br>1%                    | 7<br>1%                    | 12<br>1%                   |
| A fair amount                     | 290<br>25%                 | 210<br>27%                 | 28<br>21%                 | 52<br>22%                  | 204<br>33%                 | 86<br>16%                  | 195<br>32%                 | 11<br>8%                   | 68<br>38%                 | 222<br>23%                 | 143<br>44%               | 144<br>18%                 | 150<br>29%                 | 140<br>22%                 | 290<br>25%                 |
| Not very much                     | 556<br>48%                 | 387<br>49%                 | 59<br>43%                 | 110<br>47%                 | 300<br>49%                 | 252<br>47%                 | 295<br>48%                 | 55<br>39%                  | 80<br>44%                 | 476<br>49%                 | 135<br>42%               | 399<br>50%                 | 257<br>50%                 | 299<br>46%                 | 549<br>47%                 |
| Not at all                        | 286<br>25%                 | 172<br>22%                 | 46<br>34%                 | 67<br>29%                  | 95<br>16%                  | 188<br>35%                 | 116<br>19%                 | 73<br>52%                  | 31<br>17%                 | 255<br>26%                 | 34<br>11%                | 240<br>30%                 | 97<br>19%                  | 188<br>29%                 | 287<br>25%                 |
| Don't know                        | 12<br>1%                   | 7<br>1%                    | 3<br>2%                   | 2<br>1%                    | 5<br>1%                    | 7<br>1%                    | 4<br>1%                    | 1<br>1%                    | -                         | 12<br>1%                   | 2<br>1%                  | 6<br>1%                    | 2<br>*                     | 10<br>2%                   | 18<br>2%                   |
| <b>A great deal/a fair amount</b> | <b>302</b><br><b>26%</b>   | <b>218</b><br><b>28%</b>   | <b>28</b><br><b>21%</b>   | <b>56</b><br><b>24%</b>    | <b>211</b><br><b>34%</b>   | <b>91</b><br><b>17%</b>    | <b>204</b><br><b>33%</b>   | <b>11</b><br><b>8%</b>     | <b>69</b><br><b>38%</b>   | <b>233</b><br><b>24%</b>   | <b>150</b><br><b>47%</b> | <b>149</b><br><b>19%</b>   | <b>155</b><br><b>30%</b>   | <b>147</b><br><b>23%</b>   | <b>302</b><br><b>26%</b>   |
| <b>Not very much/not at all</b>   | <b>842</b><br><b>73%</b>   | <b>559</b><br><b>71%</b>   | <b>105</b><br><b>77%</b>  | <b>177</b><br><b>75%</b>   | <b>396</b><br><b>65%</b>   | <b>441</b><br><b>82%</b>   | <b>411</b><br><b>66%</b>   | <b>128</b><br><b>92%</b>   | <b>111</b><br><b>62%</b>  | <b>731</b><br><b>75%</b>   | <b>170</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>639</b><br><b>80%</b>   | <b>354</b><br><b>69%</b>   | <b>488</b><br><b>76%</b>   | <b>836</b><br><b>72%</b>   |
| <b>Net great deal/fair amount</b> | <b>-540</b><br><b>-47%</b> | <b>-341</b><br><b>-44%</b> | <b>-77</b><br><b>-57%</b> | <b>-121</b><br><b>-51%</b> | <b>-185</b><br><b>-30%</b> | <b>-350</b><br><b>-65%</b> | <b>-207</b><br><b>-34%</b> | <b>-117</b><br><b>-84%</b> | <b>-42</b><br><b>-23%</b> | <b>-498</b><br><b>-51%</b> | <b>-20</b><br><b>-6%</b> | <b>-490</b><br><b>-62%</b> | <b>-199</b><br><b>-39%</b> | <b>-341</b><br><b>-53%</b> | <b>-534</b><br><b>-46%</b> |

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Table 221

### Q.21 How much would you say you trust politicians generally?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                   | Quiz score                 |                            |                            | Satisfaction with local MP |                           | Satisfaction with MPs in general |                          | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |                           | Use of internet            |                            | Unwtd total                |                            |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
|                                   | Total                      | Scored 0-3                 | Scored 4-6                 | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied                 | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                           | Agree                     | Disagree                   | Use internet               |                            | Do not use internet        |
| Unweighted total                  | 1156                       | 210                        | 463                        | 483                        | 459                       | 183                              | 349                      | 502                                    | 438                       | 450                        | 762                        | 394                        | 1156                       |
| Weighted total                    | 1156                       | 187                        | 470                        | 499                        | 444                       | 190                              | 336                      | 515                                    | 427                       | 474                        | 826                        | 330                        | 1156                       |
| <b>Effective Base</b>             | <b>801</b>                 | <b>150</b>                 | <b>310</b>                 | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b>                | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b>               | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b>                | <b>302</b>                 | <b>540</b>                 | <b>269</b>                 | <b>1156</b>                |
| A great deal                      | 12<br>1%                   | 1<br>1%                    | 3<br>1%                    | 7<br>1%                    | 6<br>1%                   | 2<br>1%                          | 7<br>2%                  | -<br>-                                 | 8<br>2%                   | 2<br>*                     | 10<br>1%                   | 2<br>1%                    | 12<br>1%                   |
| A fair amount                     | 290<br>25%                 | 39<br>21%                  | 103<br>22%                 | 149<br>30%                 | 167<br>38%                | 19<br>10%                        | 171<br>51%               | 47<br>9%                               | 166<br>39%                | 59<br>13%                  | 212<br>26%                 | 78<br>24%                  | 290<br>25%                 |
| Not very much                     | 556<br>48%                 | 74<br>39%                  | 225<br>48%                 | 257<br>51%                 | 218<br>49%                | 86<br>45%                        | 129<br>38%               | 262<br>51%                             | 180<br>42%                | 238<br>50%                 | 395<br>48%                 | 162<br>49%                 | 549<br>47%                 |
| Not at all                        | 286<br>25%                 | 67<br>36%                  | 135<br>29%                 | 84<br>17%                  | 50<br>11%                 | 83<br>44%                        | 27<br>8%                 | 206<br>40%                             | 72<br>17%                 | 173<br>37%                 | 205<br>25%                 | 81<br>25%                  | 287<br>25%                 |
| Don't know                        | 12<br>1%                   | 6<br>3%                    | 3<br>1%                    | 3<br>1%                    | 4<br>1%                   | *<br>*                           | 3<br>1%                  | -<br>-                                 | 2<br>1%                   | 1<br>*                     | 5<br>1%                    | 7<br>2%                    | 18<br>2%                   |
| <b>A great deal/a fair amount</b> | <b>302</b><br><b>26%</b>   | <b>40</b><br><b>21%</b>    | <b>106</b><br><b>23%</b>   | <b>156</b><br><b>31%</b>   | <b>172</b><br><b>39%</b>  | <b>20</b><br><b>11%</b>          | <b>177</b><br><b>53%</b> | <b>47</b><br><b>9%</b>                 | <b>174</b><br><b>41%</b>  | <b>62</b><br><b>13%</b>    | <b>222</b><br><b>27%</b>   | <b>80</b><br><b>24%</b>    | <b>302</b><br><b>26%</b>   |
| <b>Not very much/not at all</b>   | <b>842</b><br><b>73%</b>   | <b>141</b><br><b>75%</b>   | <b>360</b><br><b>77%</b>   | <b>341</b><br><b>68%</b>   | <b>268</b><br><b>60%</b>  | <b>169</b><br><b>89%</b>         | <b>156</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>468</b><br><b>91%</b>               | <b>251</b><br><b>59%</b>  | <b>411</b><br><b>87%</b>   | <b>599</b><br><b>73%</b>   | <b>242</b><br><b>74%</b>   | <b>836</b><br><b>72%</b>   |
| <b>Net great deal/fair amount</b> | <b>-540</b><br><b>-47%</b> | <b>-101</b><br><b>-54%</b> | <b>-254</b><br><b>-54%</b> | <b>-185</b><br><b>-37%</b> | <b>-96</b><br><b>-22%</b> | <b>-149</b><br><b>-78%</b>       | <b>21</b><br><b>6%</b>   | <b>-422</b><br><b>-82%</b>             | <b>-77</b><br><b>-18%</b> | <b>-350</b><br><b>-74%</b> | <b>-377</b><br><b>-46%</b> | <b>-162</b><br><b>-49%</b> | <b>-534</b><br><b>-46%</b> |

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Table 222

### Q.21 How much would you say you trust politicians generally?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                   | Seat marginality           |                           |                            |                            | Segment                    |                           |                           |                           |                           |                         |                           |                            | Unwtd total               |                            |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
|                                   | Total                      | Less than 5% majority     | Marginal (Less than 10%)   | Semi marginal (10%-20%)    | Safe (>20%)                | Politically committed     | Active campaigners        | Interested bystanders     | Detached cynics           | Politically contented   | Bored/apathetic           | Disengaged/mistrustful     |                           | Alienated/hostile          |
| Unweighted total                  | 1156                       | 163                       | 351                        | 386                        | 419                        | 96                        | 142                       | 146                       | 228                       | 62                      | 93                        | 287                        | 102                       | 1156                       |
| Weighted total                    | 1156                       | 175                       | 373                        | 396                        | 387                        | 116                       | 157                       | 159                       | 191                       | 66                      | 92                        | 277                        | 99                        | 1156                       |
| <b>Effective Base</b>             | <b>801</b>                 | <b>113</b>                | <b>251</b>                 | <b>263</b>                 | <b>290</b>                 | <b>72</b>                 | <b>101</b>                | <b>92</b>                 | <b>160</b>                | <b>49</b>               | <b>66</b>                 | <b>209</b>                 | <b>63</b>                 | <b>1156</b>                |
| A great deal                      | 12<br>1%                   | 5<br>3%                   | 7<br>2%                    | 3<br>1%                    | 3<br>1%                    | 3<br>3%                   | -<br>-                    | -<br>-                    | 4<br>2%                   | -<br>-                  | 1<br>1%                   | 4<br>1%                    | -<br>-                    | 12<br>1%                   |
| A fair amount                     | 290<br>25%                 | 43<br>25%                 | 107<br>29%                 | 88<br>22%                  | 95<br>25%                  | 44<br>38%                 | 53<br>34%                 | 43<br>27%                 | 43<br>23%                 | 30<br>45%               | 28<br>30%                 | 44<br>16%                  | 6<br>6%                   | 290<br>25%                 |
| Not very much                     | 556<br>48%                 | 75<br>43%                 | 170<br>45%                 | 191<br>48%                 | 196<br>51%                 | 48<br>41%                 | 86<br>55%                 | 91<br>57%                 | 94<br>49%                 | 30<br>46%               | 41<br>45%                 | 143<br>52%                 | 23<br>23%                 | 549<br>47%                 |
| Not at all                        | 286<br>25%                 | 52<br>29%                 | 89<br>24%                  | 110<br>28%                 | 87<br>22%                  | 20<br>18%                 | 18<br>11%                 | 25<br>16%                 | 47<br>25%                 | 4<br>6%                 | 22<br>24%                 | 84<br>30%                  | 66<br>67%                 | 287<br>25%                 |
| Don't know                        | 12<br>1%                   | -<br>-                    | -<br>-                     | 5<br>1%                    | 7<br>2%                    | -<br>-                    | -<br>-                    | 1<br>1%                   | 3<br>2%                   | 2<br>3%                 | -<br>-                    | 2<br>1%                    | 4<br>4%                   | 18<br>2%                   |
| <b>A great deal/a fair amount</b> | <b>302</b><br><b>26%</b>   | <b>49</b><br><b>28%</b>   | <b>114</b><br><b>31%</b>   | <b>91</b><br><b>23%</b>    | <b>97</b><br><b>25%</b>    | <b>47</b><br><b>41%</b>   | <b>53</b><br><b>34%</b>   | <b>43</b><br><b>27%</b>   | <b>47</b><br><b>25%</b>   | <b>30</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>29</b><br><b>32%</b>   | <b>48</b><br><b>17%</b>    | <b>6</b><br><b>6%</b>     | <b>302</b><br><b>26%</b>   |
| <b>Not very much/not at all</b>   | <b>842</b><br><b>73%</b>   | <b>126</b><br><b>72%</b>  | <b>259</b><br><b>69%</b>   | <b>301</b><br><b>76%</b>   | <b>282</b><br><b>73%</b>   | <b>68</b><br><b>59%</b>   | <b>104</b><br><b>66%</b>  | <b>116</b><br><b>73%</b>  | <b>141</b><br><b>74%</b>  | <b>34</b><br><b>52%</b> | <b>63</b><br><b>68%</b>   | <b>227</b><br><b>82%</b>   | <b>89</b><br><b>90%</b>   | <b>836</b><br><b>72%</b>   |
| <b>Net great deal/fair amount</b> | <b>-540</b><br><b>-47%</b> | <b>-78</b><br><b>-45%</b> | <b>-145</b><br><b>-39%</b> | <b>-210</b><br><b>-53%</b> | <b>-185</b><br><b>-48%</b> | <b>-21</b><br><b>-18%</b> | <b>-51</b><br><b>-33%</b> | <b>-73</b><br><b>-46%</b> | <b>-94</b><br><b>-49%</b> | <b>-4</b><br><b>-7%</b> | <b>-34</b><br><b>-37%</b> | <b>-179</b><br><b>-65%</b> | <b>-83</b><br><b>-85%</b> | <b>-534</b><br><b>-46%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 223

### Q.22 Which TWO or THREE, if any, do you feel are the most important ways that MPs should spend their time?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Gender      |             | Age         |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             | Social class |             |             |             |             |             | Region      |             |             | Marital status |             |                       | Unwtd total |                                |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|
|   | Total       | Male        | Female      | 18-24       | 25-34       | 35-44       | 45-54       | 55-64       | 65-74       | 75+         | 18-34       | 35-54       | 55+          | AB          | C1          | C2          | DE          | ABC1        | C2DE        | North       | South       | Mid lands      | Single      | Married /Co-hab iting |             | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |
| Unweighted total  | 1156        | 552         | 604         | 138         | 207         | 206         | 141         | 170         | 159         | 135         | 345         | 347         | 464          | 224         | 353         | 257         | 322         | 577         | 579         | 438         | 339         | 379            | 290         | 669                   | 197         | 1156                           |
| Weighted total  | 1156        | 561         | 595         | 173         | 183         | 216         | 186         | 169         | 117         | 111         | 356         | 402         | 398          | 310         | 333         | 241         | 272         | 642         | 514         | 387         | 411         | 358            | 306         | 681                   | 169         | 1156                           |
| <b>Effective Base</b>   | <b>801</b>  | <b>391</b>  | <b>410</b>  | <b>98</b>   | <b>145</b>  | <b>149</b>  | <b>105</b>  | <b>117</b>  | <b>135</b>  | <b>87</b>   | <b>236</b>  | <b>252</b>  | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b>  | <b>256</b>  | <b>191</b>  | <b>222</b>  | <b>401</b>  | <b>413</b>  | <b>312</b>  | <b>250</b>  | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>  | <b>463</b>            | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b>                    |
| Representing the views of local people in the House of Commons  | 537<br>46%  | 271<br>48%  | 266<br>45%  | 72<br>42%   | 84<br>46%   | 109<br>50%  | 100<br>54%  | 72<br>42%   | 51<br>43%   | 50<br>45%   | 156<br>44%  | 208<br>52%  | 172<br>43%   | 174<br>56%  | 166<br>50%  | 121<br>50%  | 76<br>28%   | 340<br>53%  | 197<br>38%  | 158<br>41%  | 214<br>52%  | 164<br>46%     | 135<br>44%  | 331<br>49%            | 70<br>41%   | 502<br>43%                     |
| Representing the UK's national interests                        | 470<br>41%  | 238<br>42%  | 231<br>39%  | 75<br>43%   | 65<br>35%   | 83<br>38%   | 82<br>44%   | 73<br>43%   | 55<br>47%   | 37<br>33%   | 140<br>39%  | 165<br>41%  | 165<br>41%   | 126<br>41%  | 146<br>44%  | 96<br>40%   | 102<br>37%  | 272<br>42%  | 197<br>38%  | 166<br>43%  | 147<br>36%  | 157<br>44%     | 114<br>37%  | 301<br>44%            | 55<br>32%   | 447<br>39%                     |
| Debating important issues in the House of Commons               | 423<br>37%  | 200<br>36%  | 222<br>37%  | 60<br>35%   | 66<br>36%   | 86<br>40%   | 60<br>32%   | 63<br>37%   | 49<br>42%   | 39<br>35%   | 126<br>35%  | 146<br>36%  | 150<br>38%   | 148<br>48%  | 122<br>37%  | 60<br>25%   | 93<br>34%   | 270<br>42%  | 152<br>30%  | 153<br>40%  | 164<br>40%  | 106<br>30%     | 106<br>35%  | 255<br>37%            | 62<br>36%   | 401<br>35%                     |
| Holding the government to account                               | 360<br>31%  | 185<br>33%  | 175<br>29%  | 25<br>15%   | 44<br>24%   | 66<br>30%   | 78<br>42%   | 66<br>39%   | 49<br>42%   | 32<br>29%   | 69<br>19%   | 143<br>36%  | 147<br>37%   | 143<br>46%  | 98<br>30%   | 60<br>25%   | 59<br>22%   | 242<br>38%  | 118<br>23%  | 91<br>24%   | 144<br>35%  | 125<br>35%     | 65<br>21%   | 249<br>37%            | 46<br>27%   | 336<br>29%                     |
| Dealing with the problems of individual constituents            | 298<br>26%  | 144<br>26%  | 154<br>26%  | 36<br>21%   | 53<br>29%   | 53<br>25%   | 50<br>27%   | 52<br>31%   | 31<br>26%   | 23<br>21%   | 89<br>25%   | 103<br>26%  | 106<br>27%   | 65<br>21%   | 71<br>21%   | 75<br>31%   | 86<br>32%   | 137<br>21%  | 161<br>31%  | 112<br>29%  | 100<br>24%  | 86<br>24%      | 75<br>24%   | 172<br>25%            | 51<br>30%   | 321<br>28%                     |
| Participating in local public meetings and events               | 232<br>20%  | 87<br>16%   | 145<br>24%  | 42<br>24%   | 45<br>25%   | 45<br>21%   | 40<br>21%   | 25<br>15%   | 17<br>14%   | 18<br>16%   | 87<br>24%   | 85<br>21%   | 60<br>15%    | 50<br>16%   | 71<br>21%   | 50<br>21%   | 61<br>22%   | 121<br>19%  | 111<br>22%  | 77<br>20%   | 96<br>23%   | 59<br>16%      | 79<br>26%   | 117<br>17%            | 36<br>22%   | 248<br>21%                     |
| Making laws   | 164<br>14%  | 81<br>14%   | 84<br>14%   | 25<br>14%   | 31<br>17%   | 29<br>13%   | 15<br>8%    | 38<br>22%   | 14<br>12%   | 13<br>11%   | 56<br>16%   | 43<br>11%   | 65<br>16%    | 51<br>16%   | 40<br>12%   | 29<br>12%   | 44<br>16%   | 91<br>14%   | 73<br>14%   | 61<br>16%   | 52<br>13%   | 51<br>14%      | 49<br>16%   | 96<br>14%             | 20<br>12%   | 164<br>14%                     |
| Communicating with constituents on the doorstep or by telephone | 159<br>14%  | 72<br>13%   | 86<br>14%   | 13<br>8%    | 15<br>8%    | 31<br>14%   | 35<br>19%   | 27<br>16%   | 20<br>17%   | 17<br>16%   | 28<br>8%    | 66<br>16%   | 65<br>16%    | 34<br>11%   | 43<br>13%   | 40<br>16%   | 42<br>15%   | 77<br>12%   | 82<br>16%   | 57<br>15%   | 36<br>9%    | 66<br>18%      | 36<br>12%   | 91<br>13%             | 31<br>19%   | 173<br>15%                     |
| Representing the views of their political party                 | 122<br>11%  | 54<br>10%   | 68<br>11%   | 17<br>10%   | 15<br>8%    | 20<br>9%    | 17<br>9%    | 28<br>17%   | 11<br>9%    | 14<br>13%   | 32<br>9%    | 37<br>9%    | 53<br>13%    | 39<br>12%   | 39<br>12%   | 25<br>10%   | 20<br>7%    | 77<br>12%   | 44<br>9%    | 46<br>12%   | 39<br>10%   | 37<br>10%      | 21<br>7%    | 81<br>12%             | 20<br>12%   | 118<br>10%                     |
| Presenting their views through the media                        | 99<br>9%    | 49<br>9%    | 50<br>8%    | 21<br>12%   | 25<br>14%   | 20<br>9%    | 5<br>3%     | 6<br>4%     | 10<br>9%    | 12<br>11%   | 46<br>13%   | 25<br>6%    | 28<br>7%     | 7<br>2%     | 40<br>12%   | 24<br>10%   | 29<br>11%   | 47<br>7%    | 52<br>10%   | 44<br>11%   | 29<br>7%    | 26<br>7%       | 39<br>13%   | 49<br>7%              | 11<br>7%    | 99<br>9%                       |
| Furthering personal and career interests                        | 30<br>3%    | 19<br>3%    | 11<br>2%    | 18<br>10%   | 5<br>3%     | 4<br>2%     | -           | -           | 1<br>1%     | 2<br>1%     | 23<br>7%    | 4<br>1%     | 2<br>1%      | 3<br>1%     | 8<br>2%     | 11<br>5%    | 8<br>3%     | 11<br>2%    | 19<br>4%    | 13<br>3%    | 8<br>2%     | 9<br>3%        | 20<br>7%    | 8<br>1%               | 2<br>1%     | 28<br>2%                       |
| Other   | 2<br>*      | 2<br>*      | -           | 1<br>1%     | -           | -           | 1<br>*      | -           | -           | -           | 1<br>*      | 1<br>*      | -            | -           | 1<br>*      | 1<br>*      | -           | 1<br>*      | 1<br>*      | -           | 1<br>*      | 1<br>*         | 2<br>1%     | -                     | -           | 2<br>*                         |
| None of these   | 9<br>1%     | 5<br>1%     | 4<br>1%     | 1<br>1%     | 2<br>1%     | 1<br>*      | -           | 1<br>1%     | -           | 4<br>3%     | 3<br>1%     | 1<br>*      | 5<br>1%      | -           | 2<br>*      | 3<br>1%     | 5<br>2%     | 2<br>*      | 7<br>1%     | 1<br>*      | 3<br>1%     | 5<br>1%        | 3<br>1%     | 3<br>*                | 2<br>1%     | 11<br>1%                       |
| Don't know  | 66<br>6%    | 31<br>5%    | 35<br>6%    | 14<br>8%    | 8<br>4%     | 15<br>7%    | 8<br>4%     | 5<br>3%     | 4<br>3%     | 12<br>11%   | 22<br>6%    | 23<br>6%    | 21<br>5%     | 5<br>2%     | 20<br>6%    | 16<br>7%    | 24<br>9%    | 25<br>4%    | 40<br>8%    | 20<br>5%    | 22<br>5%    | 23<br>6%       | 19<br>6%    | 32<br>5%              | 14<br>8%    | 73<br>6%                       |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>                               | <b>2.68</b> | <b>2.68</b> | <b>2.68</b> | <b>2.58</b> | <b>2.58</b> | <b>2.73</b> | <b>2.71</b> | <b>2.76</b> | <b>2.70</b> | <b>2.68</b> | <b>2.58</b> | <b>2.72</b> | <b>2.72</b>  | <b>2.76</b> | <b>2.73</b> | <b>2.65</b> | <b>2.54</b> | <b>2.74</b> | <b>2.59</b> | <b>2.68</b> | <b>2.68</b> | <b>2.69</b>    | <b>2.63</b> | <b>2.71</b>           | <b>2.65</b> | <b>2.65</b>                    |

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Table 224

### Q.22 Which TWO or THREE, if any, do you feel are the most important ways that MPs should spend their time?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Working status |             |             | Children in household |             | Newspaper readership |             |             | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity   |             | GO Region   |             |             |             |               |               |                          |             |             |             | Unwtd total |             |             |
|---|----------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|   | Full time      | Part time   | Not working | Yes                   | No          | Quality              | Popular     | None        | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White       | BME         | South East  | Eastern     | London      | South West  | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West  | North East  | Wales       |             | Scotland    |             |
| Unweighted total  | 1156           | 425         | 109         | 622                   | 360         | 234                  | 201         | 445         | 548                    | 318               | 183                          | 258              | 274         | 1007        | 146         | 116         | 102         | 121         | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91          | 122         | 68          | 97          | 157         | 1156        |
| Weighted total  | 1156           | 520         | 109         | 527                   | 372         | 287                  | 253         | 423         | 522                    | 320               | 213                          | 287              | 219         | 1054        | 100         | 162         | 110         | 147         | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101         | 134         | 51          | 58          | 102         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>   | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b>  | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b>  | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b>  | <b>313</b>  | <b>382</b>             | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b>  | <b>703</b>  | <b>115</b>  | <b>90</b>   | <b>72</b>   | <b>86</b>   | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>   | <b>90</b>   | <b>51</b>   | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| Representing the views of local people in the House of Commons  | 537<br>46%     | 272<br>52%  | 57<br>52%   | 208<br>39%            | 183<br>49%  | 125<br>44%           | 137<br>54%  | 175<br>41%  | 244<br>47%             | 130<br>41%        | 103<br>48%                   | 164<br>57%       | 78<br>36%   | 510<br>48%  | 26<br>26%   | 98<br>60%   | 59<br>54%   | 58<br>39%   | 59<br>57%     | 41<br>39%     | 40<br>46%                | 41<br>40%   | 47<br>35%   | 32<br>62%   | 25<br>43%   | 39<br>39%   | 502<br>43%  |
| Representing the UK's national interests                        | 470<br>41%     | 241<br>46%  | 43<br>39%   | 186<br>35%            | 143<br>39%  | 124<br>43%           | 107<br>42%  | 178<br>42%  | 209<br>40%             | 146<br>46%        | 99<br>47%                    | 99<br>34%        | 75<br>34%   | 451<br>43%  | 18<br>18%   | 70<br>43%   | 50<br>45%   | 31<br>21%   | 46<br>45%     | 39<br>37%     | 43<br>50%                | 49<br>49%   | 55<br>41%   | 26<br>51%   | 25<br>44%   | 36<br>36%   | 447<br>39%  |
| Debating important issues in the House of Commons               | 423<br>37%     | 191<br>37%  | 48<br>44%   | 183<br>35%            | 136<br>37%  | 90<br>32%            | 120<br>47%  | 150<br>35%  | 171<br>33%             | 102<br>32%        | 87<br>41%                    | 137<br>48%       | 48<br>22%   | 396<br>38%  | 26<br>26%   | 61<br>38%   | 37<br>33%   | 55<br>37%   | 48<br>47%     | 28<br>27%     | 24<br>27%                | 52<br>52%   | 40<br>30%   | 21<br>42%   | 17<br>30%   | 39<br>39%   | 401<br>35%  |
| Holding the government to account                               | 360<br>31%     | 183<br>35%  | 33<br>30%   | 144<br>27%            | 111<br>30%  | 76<br>26%            | 110<br>44%  | 102<br>24%  | 166<br>32%             | 92<br>29%         | 72<br>34%                    | 113<br>39%       | 54<br>25%   | 341<br>32%  | 19<br>19%   | 69<br>43%   | 33<br>30%   | 43<br>30%   | 31<br>30%     | 46<br>44%     | 23<br>27%                | 26<br>26%   | 28<br>21%   | 14<br>28%   | 22<br>39%   | 23<br>23%   | 336<br>29%  |
| Dealing with the problems of individual constituents            | 298<br>26%     | 122<br>23%  | 23<br>21%   | 153<br>29%            | 100<br>27%  | 74<br>26%            | 52<br>21%   | 118<br>28%  | 139<br>27%             | 91<br>29%         | 51<br>24%                    | 71<br>25%        | 50<br>23%   | 268<br>25%  | 30<br>30%   | 37<br>23%   | 23<br>21%   | 37<br>25%   | 26<br>25%     | 22<br>22%     | 25<br>29%                | 28<br>28%   | 32<br>24%   | 15<br>30%   | 16<br>28%   | 36<br>36%   | 321<br>28%  |
| Participating in local public meetings and events               | 232<br>20%     | 101<br>19%  | 24<br>22%   | 107<br>20%            | 70<br>19%   | 56<br>19%            | 42<br>17%   | 96<br>23%   | 102<br>20%             | 53<br>17%         | 54<br>25%                    | 63<br>22%        | 36<br>17%   | 214<br>20%  | 17<br>17%   | 32<br>20%   | 16<br>14%   | 31<br>21%   | 34<br>33%     | 21<br>21%     | 10<br>12%                | 13<br>13%   | 21<br>16%   | 12<br>23%   | 11<br>19%   | 31<br>30%   | 248<br>21%  |
| Making laws   | 164<br>14%     | 64<br>12%   | 14<br>12%   | 86<br>16%             | 56<br>15%   | 44<br>15%            | 43<br>17%   | 51<br>12%   | 79<br>15%              | 61<br>19%         | 18<br>9%                     | 49<br>17%        | 27<br>12%   | 151<br>14%  | 14<br>14%   | 22<br>14%   | 22<br>20%   | 17<br>11%   | 13<br>13%     | 9<br>9%       | 14<br>16%                | 21<br>21%   | 21<br>16%   | 8<br>15%    | 6<br>10%    | 11<br>11%   | 164<br>14%  |
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| Representing the views of their political party                 | 122<br>11%     | 52<br>10%   | 7<br>6%     | 63<br>12%             | 34<br>9%    | 38<br>13%            | 22<br>9%    | 41<br>10%   | 61<br>12%              | 32<br>10%         | 24<br>11%                    | 21<br>7%         | 25<br>11%   | 109<br>10%  | 13<br>13%   | 13<br>8%    | 9<br>8%     | 17<br>11%   | 9<br>9%       | 14<br>14%     | 8<br>9%                  | 5<br>5%     | 23<br>17%   | 5<br>10%    | 6<br>11%    | 13<br>13%   | 118<br>10%  |
| Presenting their views through the media                        | 99<br>9%       | 37<br>7%    | 7<br>7%     | 55<br>11%             | 32<br>9%    | 36<br>12%            | 16<br>6%    | 42<br>10%   | 46<br>9%               | 35<br>11%         | 16<br>8%                     | 16<br>6%         | 25<br>11%   | 81<br>8%    | 17<br>17%   | 7<br>4%     | 8<br>7%     | 14<br>10%   | 8<br>8%       | 10<br>10%     | 5<br>6%                  | 6<br>6%     | 31<br>23%   | 3<br>7%     | 3<br>6%     | 4<br>4%     | 99<br>9%    |
| Furthering personal and career interests                        | 30<br>3%       | 13<br>3%    | 4<br>3%     | 13<br>2%              | 6<br>2%     | 17<br>6%             | -           | 14<br>3%    | 16<br>3%               | 14<br>4%          | 9<br>4%                      | 2<br>1%          | 4<br>2%     | 28<br>3%    | 2<br>2%     | 2<br>1%     | 3<br>3%     | 2<br>1%     | 5<br>5%       | 4<br>4%       | 1<br>1%                  | 3<br>2%     | 8<br>6%     | -           | 1<br>2%     | 2<br>2%     | 28<br>2%    |
| Other   | 2<br>*         | 1<br>*      | -           | 1<br>*                | -           | 1<br>*               | -           | -           | 2<br>*                 | 1<br>*            | -                            | -                | 1<br>1%     | 2<br>*      | -           | -           | 1<br>1%     | 1<br>1%     | -             | -             | -                        | -           | -           | -           | -           | -           | 2<br>*      |
| None of these   | 9<br>1%        | -           | 1<br>1%     | 7<br>1%               | 3<br>1%     | 1<br>*               | -           | 5<br>1%     | 4<br>1%                | 1<br>*            | *<br>*                       | 1<br>*           | 6<br>3%     | 5<br>*      | 4<br>4%     | -           | 1<br>1%     | 3<br>2%     | -             | *<br>*        | 3<br>4%                  | -           | 1<br>1%     | -           | -           | *<br>*      | 11<br>1%    |
| Don't know  | 66<br>6%       | 19<br>4%    | 5<br>4%     | 42<br>8%              | 22<br>6%    | 16<br>6%             | 11<br>4%    | 34<br>8%    | 21<br>4%               | 18<br>6%          | 9<br>4%                      | 7<br>2%          | 27<br>12%   | 49<br>5%    | 17<br>17%   | 1<br>1%     | 6<br>6%     | 21<br>14%   | *<br>*        | 7<br>6%       | 6<br>7%                  | 4<br>4%     | 9<br>6%     | *<br>1%     | 4<br>6%     | 7<br>7%     | 73<br>6%    |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>                               | <b>2.68</b>    | <b>2.69</b> | <b>2.63</b> | <b>2.68</b>           | <b>2.66</b> | <b>2.67</b>          | <b>2.78</b> | <b>2.67</b> | <b>2.65</b>            | <b>2.65</b>       | <b>2.74</b>                  | <b>2.75</b>      | <b>2.51</b> | <b>2.71</b> | <b>2.36</b> | <b>2.67</b> | <b>2.74</b> | <b>2.55</b> | <b>2.83</b>   | <b>2.62</b>   | <b>2.72</b>              | <b>2.65</b> | <b>2.60</b> | <b>2.91</b> | <b>2.65</b> | <b>2.68</b> | <b>2.65</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
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Table 225

### Q.22 Which TWO or THREE, if any, do you feel are the most important ways that MPs should spend their time?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Urbanity    |             |             | Interest in politics |             | Likelihood to vote |             | Political activism |             | Opinion on present system |             | Knew local MP     |             | Unwtd total |             |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|---------------------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|   | Total       | Urban       | Rural       | Mixed                | Interested  | Not interested     | Certain to  | Certain not to     | Activist    | Non-activist              | Works well  | Needs improvement | Yes         |             | No          |
| Unweighted total  | 1156        | 773         | 145         | 238                  | 580         | 569                | 627         | 143                | 160         | 996                       | 327         | 783               | 495         | 661         | 1156        |
| Weighted total  | 1156        | 784         | 136         | 235                  | 611         | 539                | 619         | 140                | 180         | 976                       | 322         | 793               | 511         | 645         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>   | <b>801</b>  | <b>535</b>  | <b>97</b>   | <b>170</b>           | <b>404</b>  | <b>394</b>         | <b>430</b>  | <b>96</b>          | <b>118</b>  | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b>  | <b>543</b>        | <b>339</b>  | <b>464</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| Representing the views of local people in the House of Commons  | 537<br>46%  | 369<br>47%  | 65<br>48%   | 102<br>43%           | 322<br>53%  | 213<br>40%         | 314<br>51%  | 58<br>42%          | 110<br>61%  | 427<br>44%                | 146<br>45%  | 377<br>48%        | 265<br>52%  | 271<br>42%  | 502<br>43%  |
| Representing the UK's national interests                        | 470<br>41%  | 290<br>37%  | 73<br>54%   | 106<br>45%           | 263<br>43%  | 204<br>38%         | 251<br>41%  | 55<br>40%          | 65<br>36%   | 405<br>41%                | 114<br>36%  | 354<br>45%        | 197<br>39%  | 272<br>42%  | 447<br>39%  |
| Debating important issues in the House of Commons               | 423<br>37%  | 290<br>37%  | 51<br>38%   | 81<br>35%            | 258<br>42%  | 161<br>30%         | 237<br>38%  | 37<br>26%          | 83<br>46%   | 339<br>35%                | 136<br>42%  | 278<br>35%        | 206<br>40%  | 217<br>34%  | 401<br>35%  |
| Holding the government to account                               | 360<br>31%  | 245<br>31%  | 36<br>26%   | 79<br>34%            | 242<br>40%  | 118<br>22%         | 241<br>39%  | 28<br>20%          | 92<br>51%   | 268<br>27%                | 82<br>26%   | 275<br>35%        | 182<br>36%  | 178<br>28%  | 336<br>29%  |
| Dealing with the problems of individual constituents            | 298<br>26%  | 204<br>26%  | 31<br>22%   | 63<br>27%            | 153<br>25%  | 142<br>26%         | 155<br>25%  | 42<br>30%          | 44<br>24%   | 254<br>26%                | 86<br>27%   | 201<br>25%        | 134<br>26%  | 164<br>25%  | 321<br>28%  |
| Participating in local public meetings and events               | 232<br>20%  | 158<br>20%  | 25<br>18%   | 48<br>21%            | 115<br>19%  | 116<br>22%         | 127<br>20%  | 27<br>19%          | 40<br>22%   | 192<br>20%                | 61<br>19%   | 167<br>21%        | 99<br>19%   | 132<br>21%  | 248<br>21%  |
| Making laws   | 164<br>14%  | 103<br>13%  | 31<br>22%   | 31<br>13%            | 91<br>15%   | 73<br>13%          | 81<br>13%   | 22<br>16%          | 28<br>15%   | 137<br>14%                | 54<br>17%   | 107<br>13%        | 81<br>16%   | 83<br>13%   | 164<br>14%  |
| Communicating with constituents on the doorstep or by telephone | 159<br>14%  | 93<br>12%   | 26<br>19%   | 39<br>17%            | 88<br>14%   | 70<br>13%          | 91<br>15%   | 24<br>17%          | 29<br>16%   | 130<br>13%                | 43<br>13%   | 114<br>14%        | 75<br>15%   | 83<br>13%   | 173<br>15%  |
| Representing the views of their political party                 | 122<br>11%  | 76<br>10%   | 18<br>13%   | 28<br>12%            | 59<br>10%   | 60<br>11%          | 68<br>11%   | 11<br>8%           | 13<br>7%    | 109<br>11%                | 27<br>8%    | 87<br>11%         | 52<br>10%   | 70<br>11%   | 118<br>10%  |
| Presenting their views through the media                        | 99<br>9%    | 68<br>9%    | 15<br>11%   | 16<br>7%             | 42<br>7%    | 56<br>10%          | 43<br>7%    | 14<br>10%          | 3<br>2%     | 96<br>10%                 | 32<br>10%   | 62<br>8%          | 35<br>7%    | 64<br>10%   | 99<br>9%    |
| Furthering personal and career interests                        | 30<br>3%    | 21<br>3%    | 7<br>5%     | 2<br>1%              | 4<br>1%     | 26<br>5%           | 5<br>1%     | 13<br>10%          | 2<br>1%     | 29<br>3%                  | 9<br>3%     | 21<br>3%          | 7<br>1%     | 23<br>4%    | 28<br>2%    |
| Other   | 2<br>*      | 2<br>*      | -<br>-      | -<br>-               | -<br>-      | 2<br>*             | -<br>-      | -<br>-             | -<br>-      | 2<br>*                    | -<br>-      | 2<br>*            | 1<br>*      | 1<br>*      | 2<br>*      |
| None of these   | 9<br>1%     | 7<br>1%     | 1<br>1%     | 1<br>*               | 4<br>1%     | 5<br>1%            | 3<br>*      | 1<br>1%            | -<br>-      | 9<br>1%                   | 4<br>1%     | 4<br>*            | 3<br>*      | 6<br>1%     | 11<br>1%    |
| Don't know  | 66<br>6%    | 52<br>7%    | 2<br>1%     | 11<br>5%             | 16<br>3%    | 49<br>9%           | 23<br>4%    | 13<br>9%           | 4<br>2%     | 62<br>6%                  | 21<br>7%    | 29<br>4%          | 22<br>4%    | 44<br>7%    | 73<br>6%    |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>                               | <b>2.68</b> | <b>2.65</b> | <b>2.83</b> | <b>2.68</b>          | <b>2.77</b> | <b>2.57</b>        | <b>2.72</b> | <b>2.63</b>        | <b>2.88</b> | <b>2.64</b>               | <b>2.66</b> | <b>2.69</b>       | <b>2.75</b> | <b>2.62</b> | <b>2.65</b> |

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Table 226

### Q.22 Which TWO or THREE, if any, do you feel are the most important ways that MPs should spend their time?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Quiz score  |             |             | Satisfaction with local MP |             | Satisfaction with MPs in general |             | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |             | Use of internet |              | Unwtd total |                     |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------|--|-------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
|   | Total       | Scored 0-3  | Scored 4-6  | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied   | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied   | Dissatisfied                           | Agree       | Disagree        | Use internet |             | Do not use internet |
| Unweighted total  | 1156        | 210         | 463         | 483                        | 459         | 183                              | 349         | 502                                    | 438         | 450             | 762          | 394         | 1156                |
| Weighted total  | 1156        | 187         | 470         | 499                        | 444         | 190                              | 336         | 515                                    | 427         | 474             | 826          | 330         | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b>   | <b>801</b>  | <b>150</b>  | <b>310</b>  | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b>  | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b>  | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b>  | <b>302</b>      | <b>540</b>   | <b>269</b>  | <b>1156</b>         |
| Representing the views of local people in the House of Commons  | 537<br>46%  | 42<br>22%   | 188<br>40%  | 307<br>61%                 | 214<br>48%  | 77<br>40%                        | 157<br>47%  | 238<br>46%                             | 202<br>47%  | 216<br>45%      | 417<br>50%   | 120<br>36%  | 502<br>43%          |
| Representing the UK's national interests                        | 470<br>41%  | 46<br>24%   | 208<br>44%  | 216<br>43%                 | 171<br>39%  | 69<br>36%                        | 123<br>37%  | 234<br>45%                             | 150<br>35%  | 226<br>48%      | 363<br>44%   | 107<br>32%  | 447<br>39%          |
| Debating important issues in the House of Commons               | 423<br>37%  | 47<br>25%   | 147<br>31%  | 228<br>46%                 | 171<br>39%  | 64<br>34%                        | 125<br>37%  | 182<br>35%                             | 164<br>38%  | 166<br>35%      | 328<br>40%   | 95<br>29%   | 401<br>35%          |
| Holding the government to account                               | 360<br>31%  | 23<br>12%   | 125<br>27%  | 212<br>43%                 | 150<br>34%  | 61<br>32%                        | 115<br>34%  | 167<br>33%                             | 147<br>34%  | 158<br>33%      | 275<br>33%   | 85<br>26%   | 336<br>29%          |
| Dealing with the problems of individual constituents            | 298<br>26%  | 45<br>24%   | 127<br>27%  | 125<br>25%                 | 108<br>24%  | 44<br>23%                        | 97<br>29%   | 129<br>25%                             | 121<br>28%  | 113<br>24%      | 215<br>26%   | 82<br>25%   | 321<br>28%          |
| Participating in local public meetings and events               | 232<br>20%  | 39<br>21%   | 95<br>20%   | 98<br>20%                  | 78<br>18%   | 40<br>21%                        | 60<br>18%   | 99<br>19%                              | 88<br>21%   | 94<br>20%       | 174<br>21%   | 58<br>18%   | 248<br>21%          |
| Making laws   | 164<br>14%  | 33<br>17%   | 59<br>13%   | 72<br>14%                  | 65<br>15%   | 34<br>18%                        | 60<br>18%   | 68<br>13%                              | 63<br>15%   | 74<br>16%       | 112<br>14%   | 53<br>16%   | 164<br>14%          |
| Communicating with constituents on the doorstep or by telephone | 159<br>14%  | 21<br>11%   | 68<br>15%   | 69<br>14%                  | 63<br>14%   | 41<br>21%                        | 39<br>12%   | 86<br>17%                              | 59<br>14%   | 70<br>15%       | 106<br>13%   | 52<br>16%   | 173<br>15%          |
| Representing the views of their political party                 | 122<br>11%  | 18<br>9%    | 70<br>15%   | 34<br>7%                   | 45<br>10%   | 19<br>10%                        | 36<br>11%   | 55<br>11%                              | 42<br>10%   | 51<br>11%       | 88<br>11%    | 34<br>10%   | 118<br>10%          |
| Presenting their views through the media                        | 99<br>9%    | 31<br>17%   | 51<br>11%   | 17<br>3%                   | 41<br>9%    | 17<br>9%                         | 26<br>8%    | 43<br>8%                               | 42<br>10%   | 39<br>8%        | 63<br>8%     | 37<br>11%   | 99<br>9%            |
| Furthering personal and career interests                        | 30<br>3%    | 3<br>1%     | 19<br>4%    | 8<br>2%                    | 12<br>3%    | -<br>-                           | 5<br>2%     | 13<br>3%                               | 13<br>3%    | 9<br>2%         | 22<br>3%     | 8<br>2%     | 28<br>2%            |
| Other   | 2<br>*      | -<br>-      | 2<br>*      | -<br>-                     | -<br>-      | 1<br>*                           | -<br>-      | 2<br>*                                 | 1<br>*      | -<br>-          | 2<br>*       | -<br>-      | 2<br>*              |
| None of these   | 9<br>1%     | 5<br>2%     | 3<br>1%     | 1<br>*                     | 4<br>1%     | 2<br>1%                          | 4<br>1%     | 3<br>1%                                | 3<br>1%     | 2<br>*          | 4<br>*       | 5<br>1%     | 11<br>1%            |
| Don't know  | 66<br>6%    | 35<br>19%   | 23<br>5%    | 7<br>1%                    | 26<br>6%    | 9<br>5%                          | 18<br>5%    | 21<br>4%                               | 19<br>4%    | 17<br>4%        | 31<br>4%     | 35<br>11%   | 73<br>6%            |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>                               | <b>2.68</b> | <b>2.35</b> | <b>2.62</b> | <b>2.83</b>                | <b>2.70</b> | <b>2.63</b>                      | <b>2.69</b> | <b>2.69</b>                            | <b>2.70</b> | <b>2.67</b>     | <b>2.74</b>  | <b>2.52</b> | <b>2.65</b>         |

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Table 227

### Q.22 Which TWO or THREE, if any, do you feel are the most important ways that MPs should spend their time?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Seat marginality |                       |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        | Unwtd total |                   |
|---|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------|-------------------|
|   | Total            | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful |             | Alienated/hostile |
| Unweighted total  | 1156             | 163                   | 351                      | 386                     | 419         | 96                    | 142                | 146                   | 228             | 62                    | 93              | 287                    | 102         | 1156              |
| Weighted total  | 1156             | 175                   | 373                      | 396                     | 387         | 116                   | 157                | 159                   | 191             | 66                    | 92              | 277                    | 99          | 1156              |
| <b>Effective Base</b>   | <b>801</b>       | <b>113</b>            | <b>251</b>               | <b>263</b>              | <b>290</b>  | <b>72</b>             | <b>101</b>         | <b>92</b>             | <b>160</b>      | <b>49</b>             | <b>66</b>       | <b>209</b>             | <b>63</b>   | <b>1156</b>       |
| Representing the views of local people in the House of Commons  | 537<br>46%       | 90<br>52%             | 182<br>49%               | 181<br>46%              | 173<br>45%  | 71<br>62%             | 95<br>61%          | 70<br>44%             | 77<br>40%       | 43<br>65%             | 37<br>40%       | 115<br>41%             | 28<br>28%   | 502<br>43%        |
| Representing the UK's national interests                        | 470<br>41%       | 64<br>37%             | 134<br>36%               | 166<br>42%              | 169<br>44%  | 43<br>37%             | 64<br>41%          | 84<br>53%             | 77<br>40%       | 31<br>47%             | 27<br>30%       | 124<br>45%             | 21<br>21%   | 447<br>39%        |
| Debating important issues in the House of Commons               | 423<br>37%       | 65<br>37%             | 147<br>39%               | 164<br>41%              | 111<br>29%  | 52<br>45%             | 77<br>49%          | 63<br>39%             | 57<br>30%       | 28<br>42%             | 28<br>30%       | 89<br>32%              | 29<br>29%   | 401<br>35%        |
| Holding the government to account                               | 360<br>31%       | 53<br>31%             | 131<br>35%               | 119<br>30%              | 110<br>28%  | 61<br>53%             | 73<br>47%          | 59<br>37%             | 50<br>26%       | 16<br>25%             | 27<br>29%       | 55<br>20%              | 18<br>18%   | 336<br>29%        |
| Dealing with the problems of individual constituents            | 298<br>26%       | 52<br>30%             | 110<br>29%               | 89<br>23%               | 99<br>26%   | 23<br>20%             | 32<br>21%          | 51<br>32%             | 47<br>24%       | 23<br>34%             | 23<br>25%       | 64<br>23%              | 35<br>35%   | 321<br>28%        |
| Participating in local public meetings and events               | 232<br>20%       | 39<br>23%             | 82<br>22%                | 80<br>20%               | 70<br>18%   | 29<br>25%             | 40<br>25%          | 29<br>18%             | 37<br>19%       | 15<br>22%             | 13<br>14%       | 58<br>21%              | 11<br>11%   | 248<br>21%        |
| Making laws   | 164<br>14%       | 35<br>20%             | 62<br>17%                | 53<br>13%               | 50<br>13%   | 19<br>16%             | 19<br>12%          | 27<br>17%             | 23<br>12%       | 6<br>10%              | 13<br>15%       | 41<br>15%              | 15<br>16%   | 164<br>14%        |
| Communicating with constituents on the doorstep or by telephone | 159<br>14%       | 23<br>13%             | 46<br>12%                | 57<br>14%               | 56<br>14%   | 12<br>11%             | 24<br>15%          | 31<br>20%             | 24<br>13%       | 4<br>6%               | 14<br>15%       | 37<br>13%              | 12<br>12%   | 173<br>15%        |
| Representing the views of their political party                 | 122<br>11%       | 14<br>8%              | 35<br>9%                 | 50<br>13%               | 37<br>9%    | 11<br>9%              | 9<br>6%            | 26<br>17%             | 24<br>12%       | 4<br>6%               | 10<br>11%       | 25<br>9%               | 12<br>13%   | 118<br>10%        |
| Presenting their views through the media                        | 99<br>9%         | 7<br>4%               | 26<br>7%                 | 36<br>9%                | 38<br>10%   | 1<br>1%               | 5<br>3%            | 4<br>2%               | 29<br>15%       | 6<br>9%               | 11<br>11%       | 32<br>12%              | 12<br>12%   | 99<br>9%          |
| Furthering personal and career interests                        | 30<br>3%         | 5<br>3%               | 9<br>2%                  | 15<br>4%                | 6<br>1%     | -                     | *                  | -                     | 5<br>3%         | -                     | 4<br>4%         | 15<br>5%               | 6<br>6%     | 28<br>2%          |
| Other   | 2<br>*           | -                     | 2<br>1%                  | -                       | -           | -                     | -                  | -                     | -               | -                     | 1<br>2%         | -                      | 1<br>1%     | 2<br>*            |
| None of these   | 9<br>1%          | -                     | 4<br>1%                  | 3<br>1%                 | 2<br>1%     | -                     | -                  | -                     | 1<br>1%         | -                     | 3<br>3%         | 4<br>1%                | 1<br>1%     | 11<br>1%          |
| Don't know  | 66<br>6%         | 13<br>8%              | 14<br>4%                 | 17<br>4%                | 34<br>9%    | 4<br>3%               | -                  | *                     | 18<br>10%       | 1<br>2%               | 5<br>6%         | 21<br>8%               | 15<br>16%   | 73<br>6%          |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>                               | <b>2.68</b>      | <b>2.77</b>           | <b>2.73</b>              | <b>2.69</b>             | <b>2.61</b> | <b>2.89</b>           | <b>2.81</b>        | <b>2.80</b>           | <b>2.61</b>     | <b>2.70</b>           | <b>2.50</b>     | <b>2.60</b>            | <b>2.46</b> | <b>2.65</b>       |

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### Q.23 Which TWO or THREE, if any, do you feel that MPs spend most their time doing?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Gender      |             | Age         |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             | Social class |             |             |             |             |             | Region      |             |             | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|   | Male        | Female      | 18-24       | 25-34       | 35-44       | 45-54       | 55-64       | 65-74       | 75+         | 18-34       | 35-54       | 55+         | AB           | C1          | C2          | DE          | ABC1        | C2DE        | North       | South       | Mid lands   | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| Unweighted total  | 1156        | 552         | 604         | 138         | 207         | 206         | 141         | 170         | 159         | 135         | 345         | 347         | 464          | 224         | 353         | 257         | 322         | 577         | 579         | 438         | 339         | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |
| Weighted total  | 1156        | 561         | 595         | 173         | 183         | 216         | 186         | 169         | 117         | 111         | 356         | 402         | 398          | 310         | 333         | 241         | 272         | 642         | 514         | 387         | 411         | 358            | 306                   | 681                            | 169         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>   | <b>801</b>  | <b>391</b>  | <b>410</b>  | <b>98</b>   | <b>145</b>  | <b>149</b>  | <b>105</b>  | <b>117</b>  | <b>135</b>  | <b>87</b>   | <b>236</b>  | <b>252</b>  | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b>  | <b>256</b>  | <b>191</b>  | <b>222</b>  | <b>401</b>  | <b>413</b>  | <b>312</b>  | <b>250</b>  | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| Furthering personal and career interests                        | 575<br>50%  | 293<br>52%  | 283<br>48%  | 69<br>40%   | 77<br>42%   | 125<br>58%  | 115<br>62%  | 89<br>53%   | 59<br>50%   | 40<br>36%   | 146<br>41%  | 241<br>60%  | 188<br>47%   | 179<br>58%  | 171<br>51%  | 125<br>52%  | 101<br>37%  | 350<br>54%  | 225<br>44%  | 198<br>51%  | 204<br>50%  | 174<br>49%     | 136<br>44%            | 370<br>54%                     | 70<br>41%   | 547<br>47%  |
| Representing the views of their political party                 | 426<br>37%  | 233<br>42%  | 193<br>32%  | 62<br>36%   | 59<br>32%   | 83<br>38%   | 82<br>44%   | 57<br>33%   | 51<br>44%   | 32<br>29%   | 121<br>34%  | 165<br>41%  | 140<br>35%   | 153<br>49%  | 120<br>36%  | 72<br>30%   | 82<br>30%   | 273<br>42%  | 154<br>30%  | 132<br>34%  | 171<br>42%  | 124<br>35%     | 102<br>33%            | 267<br>39%                     | 58<br>34%   | 417<br>36%  |
| Presenting their views through the media                        | 368<br>32%  | 169<br>30%  | 200<br>34%  | 64<br>37%   | 58<br>31%   | 59<br>27%   | 60<br>32%   | 65<br>38%   | 41<br>35%   | 22<br>19%   | 119<br>34%  | 128<br>30%  | 140<br>32%   | 122<br>40%  | 117<br>35%  | 65<br>27%   | 65<br>24%   | 239<br>37%  | 129<br>25%  | 131<br>34%  | 112<br>27%  | 125<br>35%     | 101<br>33%            | 231<br>34%                     | 37<br>22%   | 366<br>32%  |
| Debating important issues in the House of Commons               | 256<br>22%  | 131<br>23%  | 125<br>21%  | 43<br>25%   | 44<br>24%   | 38<br>18%   | 40<br>21%   | 45<br>26%   | 27<br>23%   | 20<br>18%   | 86<br>24%   | 78<br>19%   | 92<br>23%    | 77<br>25%   | 64<br>19%   | 57<br>24%   | 58<br>21%   | 141<br>22%  | 115<br>22%  | 89<br>23%   | 93<br>23%   | 74<br>21%      | 78<br>26%             | 139<br>20%                     | 39<br>23%   | 250<br>22%  |
| Making laws   | 162<br>14%  | 82<br>15%   | 80<br>14%   | 30<br>18%   | 19<br>10%   | 29<br>13%   | 30<br>16%   | 25<br>15%   | 14<br>12%   | 15<br>14%   | 49<br>14%   | 59<br>15%   | 55<br>14%    | 48<br>15%   | 49<br>15%   | 33<br>13%   | 33<br>12%   | 97<br>15%   | 66<br>13%   | 65<br>17%   | 53<br>13%   | 45<br>13%      | 45<br>15%             | 96<br>14%                      | 22<br>13%   | 163<br>14%  |
| Dealing with the problems of individual constituents            | 148<br>13%  | 76<br>14%   | 72<br>12%   | 23<br>13%   | 24<br>13%   | 24<br>11%   | 26<br>14%   | 24<br>14%   | 14<br>12%   | 13<br>12%   | 47<br>13%   | 49<br>12%   | 51<br>13%    | 51<br>16%   | 41<br>12%   | 29<br>12%   | 26<br>10%   | 92<br>14%   | 55<br>11%   | 38<br>10%   | 66<br>16%   | 44<br>12%      | 42<br>14%             | 81<br>12%                      | 25<br>14%   | 145<br>13%  |
| Participating in local public meetings and events               | 131<br>11%  | 71<br>13%   | 60<br>10%   | 18<br>10%   | 18<br>10%   | 25<br>12%   | 23<br>13%   | 23<br>14%   | 14<br>12%   | 9<br>8%     | 36<br>10%   | 49<br>12%   | 46<br>12%    | 29<br>9%    | 39<br>12%   | 29<br>12%   | 34<br>12%   | 68<br>11%   | 63<br>12%   | 38<br>10%   | 49<br>12%   | 44<br>12%      | 40<br>13%             | 80<br>12%                      | 12<br>7%    | 122<br>11%  |
| Representing the views of local people in the House of Commons  | 121<br>10%  | 64<br>11%   | 57<br>10%   | 16<br>9%    | 19<br>10%   | 27<br>12%   | 12<br>7%    | 21<br>12%   | 15<br>13%   | 11<br>10%   | 35<br>10%   | 39<br>10%   | 47<br>12%    | 38<br>12%   | 32<br>10%   | 29<br>12%   | 22<br>8%    | 70<br>11%   | 51<br>10%   | 43<br>11%   | 32<br>8%    | 46<br>13%      | 25<br>8%              | 73<br>11%                      | 23<br>14%   | 123<br>11%  |
| Representing the UK's national interests                        | 102<br>9%   | 34<br>6%    | 69<br>12%   | 20<br>11%   | 17<br>9%    | 20<br>9%    | 13<br>7%    | 10<br>6%    | 9<br>8%     | 14<br>13%   | 37<br>10%   | 33<br>8%    | 33<br>8%     | 22<br>7%    | 41<br>12%   | 20<br>8%    | 19<br>7%    | 64<br>10%   | 39<br>8%    | 39<br>10%   | 32<br>8%    | 32<br>9%       | 28<br>9%              | 61<br>9%                       | 13<br>8%    | 108<br>9%   |
| Holding the government to account                               | 94<br>8%    | 39<br>7%    | 55<br>9%    | 12<br>7%    | 20<br>11%   | 15<br>7%    | 14<br>8%    | 12<br>7%    | 14<br>12%   | 7<br>6%     | 32<br>9%    | 29<br>7%    | 33<br>8%     | 25<br>8%    | 28<br>8%    | 15<br>6%    | 26<br>9%    | 53<br>8%    | 41<br>8%    | 28<br>7%    | 43<br>10%   | 23<br>6%       | 23<br>7%              | 56<br>8%                       | 16<br>9%    | 103<br>9%   |
| Communicating with constituents on the doorstep or by telephone | 38<br>3%    | 21<br>4%    | 17<br>3%    | 6<br>3%     | 5<br>3%     | 9<br>4%     | 5<br>2%     | 8<br>5%     | 3<br>3%     | 2<br>2%     | 11<br>3%    | 14<br>3%    | 13<br>3%     | 7<br>2%     | 8<br>2%     | 10<br>4%    | 12<br>5%    | 15<br>2%    | 23<br>4%    | 13<br>3%    | 14<br>3%    | 12<br>3%       | 13<br>4%              | 18<br>3%                       | 6<br>4%     | 41<br>4%    |
| Other   | 3<br>*      | 3<br>*      | *<br>*      | -<br>-      | -<br>-      | *<br>*      | 1<br>1%     | 1<br>*      | 1<br>*      | -<br>*      | -<br>*      | 2<br>*      | 1<br>*       | 1<br>*      | -<br>1%     | 2<br>*      | *<br>*      | 1<br>*      | 2<br>*      | 2<br>*      | 1<br>*      | 1<br>*         | 1<br>*                | 2<br>*                         | *<br>*      | 5<br>*      |
| None of these   | 20<br>2%    | 8<br>1%     | 12<br>2%    | 3<br>2%     | 5<br>3%     | 4<br>2%     | 2<br>1%     | 2<br>1%     | 1<br>*      | 4<br>4%     | 8<br>2%     | 5<br>1%     | 7<br>2%      | 1<br>*      | 9<br>3%     | 4<br>1%     | 7<br>3%     | 10<br>2%    | 11<br>2%    | 6<br>2%     | 4<br>1%     | 10<br>3%       | 8<br>3%               | 10<br>2%                       | 2<br>1%     | 25<br>2%    |
| Don't know  | 109<br>9%   | 45<br>8%    | 64<br>11%   | 14<br>8%    | 20<br>11%   | 17<br>8%    | 8<br>5%     | 14<br>8%    | 10<br>8%    | 24<br>22%   | 35<br>10%   | 26<br>6%    | 48<br>12%    | 9<br>3%     | 33<br>10%   | 23<br>9%    | 43<br>16%   | 42<br>7%    | 66<br>13%   | 36<br>9%    | 39<br>9%    | 34<br>9%       | 25<br>8%              | 57<br>8%                       | 26<br>16%   | 113<br>10%  |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>                               | <b>2.36</b> | <b>2.39</b> | <b>2.34</b> | <b>2.34</b> | <b>2.27</b> | <b>2.34</b> | <b>2.41</b> | <b>2.48</b> | <b>2.45</b> | <b>2.22</b> | <b>2.30</b> | <b>2.37</b> | <b>2.41</b>  | <b>2.51</b> | <b>2.44</b> | <b>2.26</b> | <b>2.16</b> | <b>2.48</b> | <b>2.21</b> | <b>2.36</b> | <b>2.36</b> | <b>2.37</b>    | <b>2.32</b>           | <b>2.40</b>                    | <b>2.27</b> | <b>2.35</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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Table 229

## Q.23 Which TWO or THREE, if any, do you feel that MPs spend most their time doing?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Working status |             |             | Children in household |             | Newspaper readership |             |             | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity   |             | GO Region   |             |             |             |               |               |                          |             |             |             | Unwtd total |             |             |
|---|----------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|   | Full time      | Part time   | Not working | Yes                   | No          | Quality              | Popular     | None        | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White       | BME         | South East  | Eastern     | London      | South West  | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West  | North East  | Wales       |             | Scotland    |             |
| Unweighted total  | 1156           | 425         | 109         | 622                   | 360         | 234                  | 201         | 445         | 548                    | 318               | 183                          | 258              | 274         | 1007        | 146         | 116         | 102         | 121         | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91          | 122         | 68          | 97          | 157         | 1156        |
| Weighted total  | 1156           | 520         | 109         | 527                   | 372         | 287                  | 253         | 423         | 522                    | 320               | 213                          | 287              | 219         | 1054        | 100         | 162         | 110         | 147         | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101         | 134         | 51          | 58          | 102         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>   | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b>  | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b>  | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b>  | <b>313</b>  | <b>382</b>             | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b>  | <b>703</b>  | <b>115</b>  | <b>90</b>   | <b>72</b>   | <b>86</b>   | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>   | <b>90</b>   | <b>51</b>   | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| Furthering personal and career interests                        | 575            | 295         | 52          | 229                   | 204         | 135                  | 125         | 203         | 269                    | 163               | 117                          | 141              | 85          | 554         | 21          | 94          | 58          | 59          | 50            | 51            | 38                       | 62          | 53          | 27          | 27          | 55          | 547         |
|   | 50%            | 57%         | 48%         | 43%                   | 55%         | 47%                  | 50%         | 48%         | 52%                    | 51%               | 55%                          | 49%              | 39%         | 53%         | 21%         | 58%         | 53%         | 41%         | 48%           | 49%           | 44%                      | 62%         | 40%         | 53%         | 47%         | 54%         | 47%         |
| Representing the views of their political party                 | 426            | 213         | 43          | 171                   | 141         | 90                   | 114         | 143         | 190                    | 125               | 70                           | 137              | 49          | 406         | 20          | 76          | 45          | 42          | 52            | 40            | 15                       | 47          | 32          | 17          | 24          | 36          | 417         |
|   | 37%            | 41%         | 39%         | 32%                   | 38%         | 31%                  | 45%         | 34%         | 36%                    | 39%               | 33%                          | 48%              | 22%         | 38%         | 20%         | 47%         | 41%         | 29%         | 51%           | 39%           | 17%                      | 47%         | 24%         | 34%         | 41%         | 35%         | 36%         |
| Presenting their views through the media                        | 368            | 162         | 43          | 163                   | 97          | 103                  | 97          | 125         | 163                    | 79                | 93                           | 111              | 48          | 346         | 22          | 49          | 43          | 31          | 32            | 35            | 25                       | 34          | 45          | 19          | 22          | 34          | 366         |
|   | 32%            | 31%         | 39%         | 31%                   | 26%         | 36%                  | 38%         | 30%         | 31%                    | 25%               | 44%                          | 39%              | 22%         | 33%         | 22%         | 30%         | 40%         | 21%         | 31%           | 34%           | 29%                      | 34%         | 34%         | 37%         | 38%         | 33%         | 32%         |
| Debating important issues in the House of Commons               | 256            | 135         | 20          | 101                   | 63          | 76                   | 62          | 84          | 118                    | 68                | 40                           | 76               | 37          | 233         | 23          | 32          | 24          | 40          | 22            | 17            | 21                       | 24          | 26          | 12          | 13          | 27          | 250         |
|   | 22%            | 26%         | 18%         | 19%                   | 17%         | 26%                  | 24%         | 20%         | 23%                    | 21%               | 19%                          | 27%              | 17%         | 22%         | 23%         | 20%         | 21%         | 27%         | 21%           | 16%           | 25%                      | 24%         | 19%         | 24%         | 22%         | 27%         | 22%         |
| Making laws   | 162            | 66          | 24          | 72                    | 51          | 43                   | 34          | 57          | 77                     | 44                | 39                           | 37               | 26          | 146         | 16          | 24          | 9           | 13          | 17            | 13            | 16                       | 15          | 22          | 8           | 7           | 20          | 163         |
|   | 14%            | 13%         | 22%         | 14%                   | 14%         | 15%                  | 14%         | 13%         | 15%                    | 14%               | 18%                          | 13%              | 12%         | 14%         | 16%         | 15%         | 9%          | 9%          | 16%           | 12%           | 18%                      | 15%         | 17%         | 16%         | 12%         | 19%         | 14%         |
| Dealing with the problems of individual constituents            | 148            | 58          | 19          | 71                    | 46          | 40                   | 55          | 45          | 56                     | 31                | 31                           | 56               | 16          | 131         | 16          | 29          | 14          | 26          | 10            | 14            | 8                        | 6           | 8           | 7           | 8           | 17          | 145         |
|   | 13%            | 11%         | 18%         | 13%                   | 12%         | 14%                  | 22%         | 11%         | 11%                    | 10%               | 15%                          | 20%              | 7%          | 12%         | 16%         | 18%         | 13%         | 18%         | 10%           | 14%           | 10%                      | 6%          | 6%          | 14%         | 13%         | 17%         | 13%         |
| Participating in local public meetings and events               | 131            | 55          | 13          | 64                    | 32          | 35                   | 31          | 51          | 56                     | 36                | 20                           | 33               | 26          | 121         | 10          | 19          | 12          | 20          | 11            | 10            | 12                       | 12          | 16          | 6           | 9           | 4           | 122         |
|   | 11%            | 11%         | 11%         | 12%                   | 9%          | 12%                  | 12%         | 12%         | 11%                    | 11%               | 10%                          | 12%              | 12%         | 12%         | 10%         | 12%         | 11%         | 13%         | 10%           | 10%           | 14%                      | 12%         | 12%         | 12%         | 15%         | 4%          | 11%         |
| Representing the views of local people in the House of Commons  | 121            | 55          | 7           | 59                    | 44          | 26                   | 29          | 45          | 48                     | 25                | 14                           | 43               | 25          | 106         | 14          | 13          | 11          | 8           | 10            | 12            | 16                       | 6           | 22          | 8           | 7           | 8           | 123         |
|   | 10%            | 11%         | 6%          | 11%                   | 12%         | 9%                   | 12%         | 11%         | 9%                     | 8%                | 6%                           | 15%              | 11%         | 10%         | 14%         | 8%          | 10%         | 6%          | 10%           | 11%           | 18%                      | 6%          | 16%         | 16%         | 12%         | 7%          | 11%         |
| Representing the UK's national interests                        | 102            | 51          | 8           | 44                    | 32          | 21                   | 20          | 36          | 51                     | 27                | 28                           | 20               | 19          | 91          | 11          | 6           | 13          | 16          | 11            | 11            | 3                        | 4           | 18          | 5           | 5           | 12          | 108         |
|   | 9%             | 10%         | 7%          | 8%                    | 9%          | 7%                   | 8%          | 8%          | 10%                    | 9%                | 13%                          | 7%               | 9%          | 9%          | 11%         | 3%          | 12%         | 11%         | 10%           | 11%           | 4%                       | 4%          | 13%         | 9%          | 8%          | 12%         | 9%          |
| Holding the government to account                               | 94             | 42          | 10          | 42                    | 32          | 27                   | 20          | 32          | 44                     | 29                | 17                           | 23               | 15          | 82          | 12          | 16          | 5           | 14          | 13            | 9             | 3                        | 5           | 10          | 6           | 6           | 7           | 103         |
|   | 8%             | 8%          | 9%          | 8%                    | 9%          | 9%                   | 8%          | 8%          | 8%                     | 9%                | 8%                           | 8%               | 7%          | 8%          | 12%         | 10%         | 4%          | 10%         | 13%           | 9%            | 4%                       | 5%          | 7%          | 11%         | 10%         | 7%          | 9%          |
| Communicating with constituents on the doorstep or by telephone | 38             | 15          | *           | 22                    | 11          | 11                   | 8           | 17          | 15                     | 14                | 3                            | 10               | 6           | 33          | 5           | 7           | 4           | 3           | 4             | 5             | 1                        | 5           | 6           | -           | 1           | 2           | 41          |
|   | 3%             | 3%          | *           | 4%                    | 3%          | 4%                   | 3%          | 4%          | 3%                     | 4%                | 1%                           | 3%               | 3%          | 3%          | 5%          | 4%          | 4%          | 2%          | 4%            | 5%            | 1%                       | 5%          | 4%          | -           | 2%          | 2%          | 4%          |
| Other   | 3              | 1           | 1           | 2                     | 1           | 1                    | 1           | 1           | 1                      | 1                 | -                            | 1                | 1           | 3           | -           | -           | 1           | -           | 1             | -             | -                        | 1           | *           | -           | -           | 1           | 5           |
|   | *              | *           | 1%          | *                     | *           | *                    | *           | *           | *                      | *                 | -                            | *                | *           | *           | -           | -           | 1%          | -           | 1%            | -             | -                        | 1%          | *           | -           | -           | 1%          | *           |
| None of these   | 20             | 8           | 1           | 11                    | 6           | 5                    | -           | 11          | 9                      | 8                 | 1                            | 4                | 8           | 14          | 6           | -           | -           | 4           | -             | *             | 10                       | 1           | 3           | -           | -           | 1           | 25          |
|   | 2%             | 2%          | 1%          | 2%                    | 2%          | 2%                   | -           | 3%          | 2%                     | 2%                | *                            | 1%               | 4%          | 1%          | 6%          | -           | -           | 3%          | -             | *             | 11%                      | 1%          | 2%          | -           | -           | 1%          | 2%          |
| Don't know  | 109            | 38          | 10          | 61                    | 29          | 25                   | 17          | 51          | 43                     | 27                | 20                           | 11               | 44          | 91          | 18          | 8           | 9           | 27          | 4             | 11            | 8                        | 7           | 14          | 5           | 5           | 10          | 113         |
|   | 9%             | 7%          | 9%          | 12%                   | 8%          | 9%                   | 7%          | 12%         | 8%                     | 8%                | 9%                           | 4%               | 20%         | 9%          | 18%         | 5%          | 8%          | 18%         | 4%            | 11%           | 9%                       | 7%          | 10%         | 10%         | 9%          | 10%         | 10%         |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>                               | <b>2.36</b>    | <b>2.42</b> | <b>2.42</b> | <b>2.29</b>           | <b>2.25</b> | <b>2.37</b>          | <b>2.52</b> | <b>2.33</b> | <b>2.32</b>            | <b>2.26</b>       | <b>2.45</b>                  | <b>2.53</b>      | <b>2.11</b> | <b>2.38</b> | <b>2.22</b> | <b>2.36</b> | <b>2.39</b> | <b>2.36</b> | <b>2.35</b>   | <b>2.36</b>   | <b>2.30</b>              | <b>2.41</b> | <b>2.20</b> | <b>2.50</b> | <b>2.43</b> | <b>2.45</b> | <b>2.35</b> |

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### Q.23 Which TWO or THREE, if any, do you feel that MPs spend most their time doing?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Urbanity    |             |             | Interest in politics |             | Likelihood to vote |             | Political activism |             | Opinion on present system |             | Knew local MP     |             | Unwtd total |             |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|---------------------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|   | Total       | Urban       | Rural       | Mixed                | Interested  | Not interested     | Certain to  | Certain not to     | Activist    | Non-activist              | Works well  | Needs improvement | Yes         |             | No          |
| Unweighted total  | 1156        | 773         | 145         | 238                  | 580         | 569                | 627         | 143                | 160         | 996                       | 327         | 783               | 495         | 661         | 1156        |
| Weighted total  | 1156        | 784         | 136         | 235                  | 611         | 539                | 619         | 140                | 180         | 976                       | 322         | 793               | 511         | 645         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>   | <b>801</b>  | <b>535</b>  | <b>97</b>   | <b>170</b>           | <b>404</b>  | <b>394</b>         | <b>430</b>  | <b>96</b>          | <b>118</b>  | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b>  | <b>543</b>        | <b>339</b>  | <b>464</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| Furthering personal and career interests                        | 575<br>50%  | 373<br>48%  | 76<br>56%   | 126<br>54%           | 325<br>53%  | 250<br>46%         | 314<br>51%  | 70<br>50%          | 103<br>57%  | 472<br>48%                | 137<br>43%  | 428<br>54%        | 282<br>55%  | 293<br>45%  | 547<br>47%  |
| Representing the views of their political party                 | 426<br>37%  | 287<br>37%  | 52<br>38%   | 87<br>37%            | 278<br>45%  | 146<br>27%         | 255<br>41%  | 42<br>30%          | 89<br>50%   | 337<br>35%                | 115<br>36%  | 305<br>38%        | 212<br>42%  | 214<br>33%  | 417<br>36%  |
| Presenting their views through the media                        | 368<br>32%  | 252<br>32%  | 50<br>37%   | 67<br>28%            | 227<br>37%  | 140<br>26%         | 202<br>33%  | 39<br>28%          | 64<br>36%   | 304<br>31%                | 92<br>29%   | 274<br>34%        | 165<br>32%  | 203<br>31%  | 366<br>32%  |
| Debating important issues in the House of Commons               | 256<br>22%  | 178<br>23%  | 28<br>20%   | 50<br>21%            | 156<br>26%  | 99<br>18%          | 142<br>23%  | 30<br>22%          | 54<br>30%   | 202<br>21%                | 94<br>29%   | 155<br>20%        | 121<br>24%  | 135<br>21%  | 250<br>22%  |
| Making laws   | 162<br>14%  | 110<br>14%  | 23<br>17%   | 30<br>13%            | 87<br>14%   | 74<br>14%          | 92<br>15%   | 22<br>16%          | 25<br>14%   | 138<br>14%                | 46<br>14%   | 114<br>14%        | 59<br>12%   | 103<br>16%  | 163<br>14%  |
| Dealing with the problems of individual constituents            | 148<br>13%  | 122<br>16%  | 11<br>8%    | 15<br>6%             | 93<br>15%   | 53<br>10%          | 84<br>14%   | 12<br>9%           | 34<br>19%   | 114<br>12%                | 49<br>15%   | 93<br>12%         | 80<br>16%   | 68<br>10%   | 145<br>13%  |
| Participating in local public meetings and events               | 131<br>11%  | 84<br>11%   | 19<br>14%   | 29<br>12%            | 78<br>13%   | 53<br>10%          | 67<br>11%   | 15<br>11%          | 29<br>16%   | 102<br>10%                | 45<br>14%   | 80<br>10%         | 61<br>12%   | 70<br>11%   | 122<br>11%  |
| Representing the views of local people in the House of Commons  | 121<br>10%  | 86<br>11%   | 11<br>8%    | 24<br>10%            | 72<br>12%   | 48<br>9%           | 73<br>12%   | 12<br>9%           | 20<br>11%   | 101<br>10%                | 40<br>12%   | 80<br>10%         | 49<br>10%   | 72<br>11%   | 123<br>11%  |
| Representing the UK's national interests                        | 102<br>9%   | 72<br>9%    | 7<br>5%     | 24<br>10%            | 58<br>9%    | 41<br>8%           | 63<br>10%   | 13<br>9%           | 20<br>11%   | 82<br>8%                  | 40<br>13%   | 58<br>7%          | 47<br>9%    | 56<br>9%    | 108<br>9%   |
| Holding the government to account                               | 94<br>8%    | 61<br>8%    | 12<br>9%    | 21<br>9%             | 49<br>8%    | 45<br>8%           | 56<br>9%    | 7<br>5%            | 11<br>6%    | 82<br>8%                  | 27<br>9%    | 63<br>8%          | 37<br>7%    | 57<br>9%    | 103<br>9%   |
| Communicating with constituents on the doorstep or by telephone | 38<br>3%    | 29<br>4%    | 6<br>4%     | 3<br>1%              | 16<br>3%    | 22<br>4%           | 16<br>3%    | 6<br>4%            | 6<br>3%     | 32<br>3%                  | 10<br>3%    | 28<br>4%          | 19<br>4%    | 19<br>3%    | 41<br>4%    |
| Other   | 3<br>*      | 3<br>*      | -<br>-      | *<br>*               | 2<br>*      | 1<br>*             | 1<br>*      | -<br>-             | 1<br>*      | 2<br>*                    | *<br>*      | 3<br>*            | *<br>*      | 3<br>*      | 5<br>*      |
| None of these   | 20<br>2%    | 14<br>2%    | 2<br>1%     | 5<br>2%              | 4<br>1%     | 17<br>3%           | 6<br>1%     | 3<br>2%            | -<br>-      | 20<br>2%                  | 7<br>2%     | 13<br>2%          | 7<br>1%     | 14<br>2%    | 25<br>2%    |
| Don't know  | 109<br>9%   | 77<br>10%   | 11<br>8%    | 21<br>9%             | 30<br>5%    | 78<br>15%          | 46<br>7%    | 18<br>13%          | 4<br>2%     | 105<br>11%                | 31<br>10%   | 59<br>7%          | 40<br>8%    | 69<br>11%   | 113<br>10%  |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>                               | <b>2.36</b> | <b>2.39</b> | <b>2.38</b> | <b>2.27</b>          | <b>2.49</b> | <b>2.20</b>        | <b>2.41</b> | <b>2.25</b>        | <b>2.60</b> | <b>2.32</b>               | <b>2.46</b> | <b>2.33</b>       | <b>2.44</b> | <b>2.30</b> | <b>2.35</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
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Table 231

### Q.23 Which TWO or THREE, if any, do you feel that MPs spend most their time doing?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Quiz score  |             |             | Satisfaction with local MP |             | Satisfaction with MPs in general |             | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |             | Use of internet |              | Unwtd total |                     |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------|--|-------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
|   | Total       | Scored 0-3  | Scored 4-6  | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied   | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied   | Dissatisfied                           | Agree       | Disagree        | Use internet |             | Do not use internet |
| Unweighted total  | 1156        | 210         | 463         | 483                        | 459         | 183                              | 349         | 502                                    | 438         | 450             | 762          | 394         | 1156                |
| Weighted total  | 1156        | 187         | 470         | 499                        | 444         | 190                              | 336         | 515                                    | 427         | 474             | 826          | 330         | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b>   | <b>801</b>  | <b>150</b>  | <b>310</b>  | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b>  | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b>  | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b>  | <b>302</b>      | <b>540</b>   | <b>269</b>  | <b>1156</b>         |
| Furthering personal and career interests                        | 575<br>50%  | 54<br>29%   | 230<br>49%  | 292<br>58%                 | 203<br>46%  | 109<br>58%                       | 124<br>37%  | 328<br>64%                             | 176<br>41%  | 301<br>63%      | 450<br>55%   | 125<br>38%  | 547<br>47%          |
| Representing the views of their political party                 | 426<br>37%  | 30<br>16%   | 135<br>29%  | 261<br>52%                 | 168<br>38%  | 73<br>38%                        | 126<br>38%  | 189<br>37%                             | 167<br>39%  | 166<br>35%      | 328<br>40%   | 98<br>30%   | 417<br>36%          |
| Presenting their views through the media                        | 368<br>32%  | 29<br>15%   | 154<br>33%  | 185<br>37%                 | 137<br>31%  | 63<br>33%                        | 106<br>32%  | 161<br>31%                             | 151<br>35%  | 154<br>32%      | 296<br>36%   | 73<br>22%   | 366<br>32%          |
| Debating important issues in the House of Commons               | 256<br>22%  | 28<br>15%   | 111<br>24%  | 117<br>23%                 | 108<br>24%  | 37<br>20%                        | 98<br>29%   | 95<br>18%                              | 103<br>24%  | 100<br>21%      | 195<br>24%   | 61<br>19%   | 250<br>22%          |
| Making laws   | 162<br>14%  | 21<br>11%   | 72<br>15%   | 70<br>14%                  | 69<br>16%   | 28<br>15%                        | 51<br>15%   | 70<br>14%                              | 63<br>15%   | 59<br>13%       | 110<br>13%   | 53<br>16%   | 163<br>14%          |
| Dealing with the problems of individual constituents            | 148<br>13%  | 22<br>12%   | 41<br>9%    | 85<br>17%                  | 73<br>16%   | 15<br>8%                         | 63<br>19%   | 48<br>9%                               | 57<br>13%   | 56<br>12%       | 120<br>15%   | 28<br>8%    | 145<br>13%          |
| Participating in local public meetings and events               | 131<br>11%  | 14<br>8%    | 44<br>9%    | 73<br>15%                  | 49<br>11%   | 24<br>13%                        | 48<br>14%   | 48<br>9%                               | 59<br>14%   | 38<br>8%        | 104<br>13%   | 27<br>8%    | 122<br>11%          |
| Representing the views of local people in the House of Commons  | 121<br>10%  | 14<br>8%    | 50<br>11%   | 57<br>11%                  | 50<br>11%   | 13<br>7%                         | 48<br>14%   | 42<br>8%                               | 57<br>13%   | 36<br>8%        | 84<br>10%    | 37<br>11%   | 123<br>11%          |
| Representing the UK's national interests                        | 102<br>9%   | 16<br>9%    | 53<br>11%   | 33<br>7%                   | 43<br>10%   | 13<br>7%                         | 43<br>13%   | 28<br>5%                               | 51<br>12%   | 28<br>6%        | 69<br>8%     | 33<br>10%   | 108<br>9%           |
| Holding the government to account                               | 94<br>8%    | 14<br>7%    | 41<br>9%    | 39<br>8%                   | 39<br>9%    | 16<br>9%                         | 36<br>11%   | 34<br>7%                               | 48<br>11%   | 32<br>7%        | 71<br>9%     | 23<br>7%    | 103<br>9%           |
| Communicating with constituents on the doorstep or by telephone | 38<br>3%    | 9<br>5%     | 10<br>2%    | 19<br>4%                   | 16<br>4%    | 5<br>3%                          | 12<br>4%    | 16<br>3%                               | 15<br>3%    | 19<br>4%        | 28<br>3%     | 10<br>3%    | 41<br>4%            |
| Other   | 3<br>*      | 1<br>*      | 2<br>*      | 1<br>*                     | 1<br>*      | 1<br>*                           | -<br>*      | 3<br>1%                                | 1<br>*      | 1<br>*          | 2<br>*       | 1<br>*      | 5<br>*              |
| None of these   | 20<br>2%    | 9<br>5%     | 9<br>2%     | 2<br>*                     | 4<br>1%     | 3<br>1%                          | 5<br>2%     | 9<br>2%                                | 6<br>1%     | 5<br>1%         | 11<br>1%     | 9<br>3%     | 25<br>2%            |
| Don't know  | 109<br>9%   | 51<br>27%   | 39<br>8%    | 19<br>4%                   | 41<br>9%    | 18<br>9%                         | 28<br>8%    | 39<br>8%                               | 33<br>8%    | 32<br>7%        | 55<br>7%     | 54<br>16%   | 113<br>10%          |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>                               | <b>2.36</b> | <b>1.99</b> | <b>2.24</b> | <b>2.57</b>                | <b>2.40</b> | <b>2.36</b>                      | <b>2.50</b> | <b>2.27</b>                            | <b>2.44</b> | <b>2.27</b>     | <b>2.44</b>  | <b>2.14</b> | <b>2.35</b>         |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
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Table 232

### Q.23 Which TWO or THREE, if any, do you feel that MPs spend most their time doing?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|   | Seat marginality |                       |                          |                         | Segment     |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        | Unwtd total |                   |
|---|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------|-------------------|
|   | Total            | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful |             | Alienated/hostile |
| Unweighted total  | 1156             | 163                   | 351                      | 386                     | 419         | 96                    | 142                | 146                   | 228             | 62                    | 93              | 287                    | 102         | 1156              |
| Weighted total  | 1156             | 175                   | 373                      | 396                     | 387         | 116                   | 157                | 159                   | 191             | 66                    | 92              | 277                    | 99          | 1156              |
| <b>Effective Base</b>   | <b>801</b>       | <b>113</b>            | <b>251</b>               | <b>263</b>              | <b>290</b>  | <b>72</b>             | <b>101</b>         | <b>92</b>             | <b>160</b>      | <b>49</b>             | <b>66</b>       | <b>209</b>             | <b>63</b>   | <b>1156</b>       |
| Furthering personal and career interests                        | 575<br>50%       | 106<br>61%            | 197<br>53%               | 190<br>48%              | 189<br>49%  | 62<br>54%             | 98<br>63%          | 96<br>60%             | 95<br>50%       | 32<br>49%             | 37<br>41%       | 113<br>41%             | 41<br>42%   | 547<br>47%        |
| Representing the views of their political party                 | 426<br>37%       | 71<br>41%             | 163<br>44%               | 144<br>36%              | 119<br>31%  | 56<br>49%             | 78<br>50%          | 68<br>43%             | 54<br>28%       | 32<br>49%             | 23<br>25%       | 92<br>33%              | 23<br>23%   | 417<br>36%        |
| Presenting their views through the media                        | 368<br>32%       | 53<br>30%             | 128<br>34%               | 120<br>30%              | 120<br>31%  | 38<br>33%             | 69<br>44%          | 63<br>39%             | 40<br>21%       | 19<br>29%             | 37<br>40%       | 86<br>31%              | 17<br>17%   | 366<br>32%        |
| Debating important issues in the House of Commons               | 256<br>22%       | 34<br>20%             | 92<br>25%                | 84<br>21%               | 80<br>21%   | 31<br>27%             | 38<br>25%          | 46<br>29%             | 37<br>20%       | 20<br>31%             | 18<br>20%       | 55<br>20%              | 10<br>10%   | 250<br>22%        |
| Making laws   | 162<br>14%       | 29<br>16%             | 56<br>15%                | 52<br>13%               | 55<br>14%   | 14<br>12%             | 28<br>18%          | 22<br>14%             | 29<br>15%       | 5<br>7%               | 8<br>8%         | 39<br>14%              | 19<br>19%   | 163<br>14%        |
| Dealing with the problems of individual constituents            | 148<br>13%       | 28<br>16%             | 52<br>14%                | 56<br>14%               | 40<br>10%   | 28<br>24%             | 24<br>15%          | 17<br>11%             | 16<br>9%        | 13<br>20%             | 7<br>8%         | 36<br>13%              | 6<br>6%     | 145<br>13%        |
| Participating in local public meetings and events               | 131<br>11%       | 24<br>14%             | 42<br>11%                | 51<br>13%               | 37<br>10%   | 20<br>17%             | 18<br>12%          | 29<br>18%             | 18<br>10%       | 3<br>5%               | 13<br>15%       | 22<br>8%               | 8<br>8%     | 122<br>11%        |
| Representing the views of local people in the House of Commons  | 121<br>10%       | 15<br>8%              | 26<br>7%                 | 45<br>11%               | 50<br>13%   | 10<br>9%              | 21<br>13%          | 17<br>11%             | 22<br>11%       | 5<br>7%               | 12<br>14%       | 26<br>9%               | 8<br>8%     | 123<br>11%        |
| Representing the UK's national interests                        | 102<br>9%        | 11<br>6%              | 23<br>6%                 | 42<br>10%               | 38<br>10%   | 10<br>9%              | 13<br>8%           | 8<br>5%               | 22<br>12%       | 8<br>13%              | 8<br>9%         | 28<br>10%              | 4<br>4%     | 108<br>9%         |
| Holding the government to account                               | 94<br>8%         | 13<br>7%              | 34<br>9%                 | 30<br>8%                | 29<br>8%    | 5<br>5%               | 16<br>10%          | 11<br>7%              | 19<br>10%       | 7<br>10%              | 2<br>2%         | 23<br>8%               | 10<br>11%   | 103<br>9%         |
| Communicating with constituents on the doorstep or by telephone | 38<br>3%         | 7<br>4%               | 12<br>3%                 | 17<br>4%                | 9<br>2%     | 6<br>5%               | 4<br>3%            | 3<br>2%               | 5<br>3%         | -<br>-                | 6<br>6%         | 12<br>4%               | 2<br>2%     | 41<br>4%          |
| Other   | 3<br>*           | 1<br>*                | 2<br>*                   | 1<br>*                  | 1<br>*      | -<br>-                | -<br>-             | 1<br>*                | 1<br>1%         | -<br>-                | -<br>-          | 1<br>*                 | 1<br>1%     | 5<br>*            |
| None of these   | 20<br>2%         | -<br>-                | 5<br>1%                  | 9<br>2%                 | 7<br>2%     | -<br>-                | -<br>-             | 1<br>*                | 2<br>1%         | -<br>-                | 5<br>6%         | 10<br>3%               | 3<br>3%     | 25<br>2%          |
| Don't know  | 109<br>9%        | 14<br>8%              | 28<br>7%                 | 36<br>9%                | 45<br>12%   | 7<br>6%               | 2<br>1%            | 5<br>3%               | 28<br>15%       | 7<br>11%              | 7<br>7%         | 32<br>11%              | 21<br>21%   | 113<br>10%        |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>                               | <b>2.36</b>      | <b>2.43</b>           | <b>2.43</b>              | <b>2.36</b>             | <b>2.29</b> | <b>2.59</b>           | <b>2.65</b>        | <b>2.46</b>           | <b>2.25</b>     | <b>2.46</b>           | <b>2.15</b>     | <b>2.25</b>            | <b>1.99</b> | <b>2.35</b>       |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Number of sample points : 210  
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Table 233

### Q.22 Which TWO or THREE, if any, do you feel are the most important ways that MPs should spend their time?

Base : All respondents age 18+

| Q.23 Which TWO or THREE, if any, do you feel that MPs spend most their time doing? |                |             |  |   |  |   |             |  |  |   |  |                                   |   |             |               |             |                            |
|--|----------------|-------------|--|---|--|---|-------------|--|--|---|--|-----------------------------------|---|-------------|---------------|-------------|----------------------------|
|  | Effective Base | Total       | Furthering personal and career interests | Representing the views of their political party | Presenting their views through the media | Debating important issues in the House of Commons | Making laws | Dealing with the problems of individual constituents | Representing the views of local people in the House of Commons | Participating in local public meetings and events | Representing the UK's national interests | Holding the government to account | Communicating with constituents on the doorstep or by telephone | Other       | None of these | Don't know  | Average number of Mentions |
| Unweighted total   | 1156           | 1156        | 547                                      | 417   | 366                                      | 250   | 163         | 145  | 123  | 122   | 108                                      | 103                               | 41  | 5           | 25            | 113         | 2.35                       |
| Weighted total   | 801            | 1156        | 575                                      | 426   | 368                                      | 256   | 162         | 148  | 121  | 131   | 102                                      | 94                                | 38  | 3           | 20            | 109         | 2.36                       |
| <b>Effective Base</b>  | <b>1668</b>    | <b>801</b>  | <b>368</b>                               | <b>298</b>                                      | <b>258</b>                               | <b>173</b>  | <b>110</b>  | <b>99</b>  | <b>95</b>  | <b>92</b>   | <b>74</b>                                | <b>74</b>                         | <b>28</b>   | <b>5</b>    | <b>21</b>     | <b>80</b>   | <b>2.37</b>                |
| Representing the views of local people in the House of Commons                     | 362            | 537<br>46%  | 320<br>56%                               | 246<br>58%                                      | 178<br>48%                               | 121<br>47%  | 73<br>45%   | 80<br>54%  | 80<br>66%  | 59<br>45%   | 54<br>52%                                | 37<br>39%                         | 14<br>37%   | 1<br>19%    | 2<br>8%       | 21<br>20%   | 2.46                       |
| Representing the UK's national interests   | 308            | 470<br>41%  | 279<br>49%                               | 189<br>44%                                      | 189<br>51%                               | 119<br>47%  | 81<br>50%   | 42<br>28%  | 35<br>29%  | 49<br>37%   | 44<br>43%                                | 38<br>40%                         | 16<br>41%   | 1<br>19%    | 6<br>28%      | 20<br>18%   | 2.44                       |
| Debating important issues in the House of Commons                                  | 283            | 423<br>37%  | 225<br>39%                               | 204<br>48%                                      | 168<br>46%                               | 97<br>38%   | 69<br>43%   | 52<br>35%  | 52<br>43%  | 58<br>44%   | 39<br>38%                                | 40<br>43%                         | 6<br>16%  | 1<br>25%    | 4<br>18%      | 24<br>22%   | 2.55                       |
| Holding the government to account  | 235            | 360<br>31%  | 217<br>38%                               | 167<br>39%                                      | 149<br>40%                               | 75<br>29%   | 63<br>39%   | 47<br>32%  | 29<br>24%  | 50<br>38%   | 37<br>36%                                | 34<br>36%                         | 11<br>28%   | 1<br>19%    | 1<br>3%       | 13<br>12%   | 2.53                       |
| Dealing with the problems of individual constituents                               | 224            | 298<br>26%  | 140<br>24%                               | 108<br>25%                                      | 94<br>25%                                | 87<br>34%   | 43<br>26%   | 57<br>38%  | 33<br>28%  | 56<br>43%   | 28<br>27%                                | 22<br>24%                         | 13<br>35%   | *<br>14%    | 5<br>24%      | 12<br>11%   | 2.42                       |
| Participating in local public meetings and events                                  | 182            | 232<br>20%  | 114<br>20%                               | 93<br>22%                                       | 77<br>21%                                | 65<br>25%   | 35<br>22%   | 36<br>24%  | 25<br>20%  | 26<br>20%   | 26<br>26%                                | 25<br>26%                         | 9<br>23%  | -<br>-      | 3<br>17%      | 10<br>9%    | 2.43                       |
| Communicating with constituents on the doorstep or by telephone                    | 119            | 159<br>14%  | 104<br>18%                               | 66<br>15%                                       | 49<br>13%                                | 34<br>13%   | 19<br>12%   | 16<br>11%  | 14<br>11%  | 23<br>18%   | 14<br>13%                                | 11<br>11%                         | 7<br>19%  | *<br>14%    | 2<br>12%      | 4<br>4%     | 2.35                       |
| Making laws  | 118            | 164<br>14%  | 78<br>13%                                | 57<br>13%                                       | 63<br>17%                                | 48<br>19%   | 28<br>17%   | 22<br>15%  | 16<br>13%  | 27<br>20%   | 10<br>10%                                | 15<br>16%                         | 12<br>32%   | -<br>-      | 3<br>15%      | 8<br>7%     | 2.44                       |
| Representing the views of their political party                                    | 73             | 122<br>11%  | 71<br>12%                                | 25<br>6%  | 38<br>10%                                | 26<br>10%   | 20<br>12%   | 16<br>11%  | 12<br>10%  | 16<br>12%   | 19<br>18%                                | 20<br>22%                         | 5<br>12%  | -<br>-      | 1<br>6%       | 4<br>4%     | 2.28                       |
| Presenting their views through the media   | 64             | 99<br>9%    | 36<br>6%                                 | 22<br>5%  | 19<br>5%                                 | 24<br>9%  | 15<br>10%   | 12<br>8%   | 15<br>13%  | 7<br>6%   | 11<br>11%                                | 19<br>20%                         | 4<br>11%  | *<br>14%    | 3<br>13%      | 7<br>7%     | 2.09                       |
| Furthering personal and career interests   | 15             | 30<br>3%    | 11<br>2%                                 | 8<br>2%   | 5<br>1%                                  | 11<br>4%  | 8<br>5%     | *<br>*   | 2<br>2%  | 1<br>*  | 5<br>4%                                  | 6<br>6%                           | 4<br>11%  | -<br>-      | 2<br>9%       | 1<br>1%     | 2.23                       |
| Other  | 2              | 2<br>*      | -<br>-                                   | -<br>-  | -<br>-                                   | -<br>-  | -<br>-      | -<br>-   | -<br>-   | -<br>-  | -<br>-                                   | -<br>-                            | -<br>-  | 1<br>24%    | 1<br>7%       | -<br>-      | -                          |
| None of these  | 9              | 9<br>1%     | -<br>-                                   | -<br>-  | -<br>-                                   | -<br>-  | -<br>-      | *<br>*   | -<br>-   | -<br>-  | -<br>-                                   | -<br>-                            | -<br>-  | -<br>-      | 5<br>27%      | 3<br>3%     | 1.00                       |
| Don't know   | 48             | 66<br>6%    | 2<br>*                                   | *<br>*  | -<br>-                                   | 1<br>*  | -<br>-      | 5<br>3%  | 1<br>1%  | -<br>-  | *<br>*                                   | -<br>-                            | 1<br>3%   | 1<br>18%    | *<br>1%       | 54<br>50%   | 1.02                       |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>  | <b>2.65</b>    | <b>2.68</b> | <b>2.78</b>                              | <b>2.78</b>                                     | <b>2.79</b>                              | <b>2.77</b>                                       | <b>2.80</b> | <b>2.65</b>  | <b>2.63</b>  | <b>2.83</b>                                       | <b>2.80</b>                              | <b>2.84</b>                       | <b>2.72</b>   | <b>2.15</b> | <b>2.34</b>   | <b>2.40</b> | <b>1.03</b>                |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
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### Q.23 Which TWO or THREE, if any, do you feel that MPs spend most their time doing?

Base : All respondents age 18+

### Q.22 Which TWO or THREE, if any, do you feel are the most important ways that MPs should spend their time?

|   | Effective Base | Total       | Representing the views of local people in the House of Commons | Representing the UK's national interests | Debating important issues in the House of Commons | Holding the government to account | Dealing with the problems of individual constituents | Participating in local public meetings and events | Communicating with constituents on the doorstep or by telephone | Making laws | Representing the views of their political party | Presenting their views through the media | Furthering personal and career interests | Other    | None of these | Don't know  | Average number of Mentions |
|---|----------------|-------------|--|--|---|-----------------------------------|--|---|---|-------------|---|--|--|----------|---------------|-------------|----------------------------|
| Unweighted total  | 1156           | 1156        | 502  | 447                                      | 401   | 336                               | 321  | 248   | 173   | 164         | 118   | 99                                       | 28                                       | 2        | 11            | 73          | 2.65                       |
| Weighted total  | 801            | 1156        | 537  | 470                                      | 423   | 360                               | 298  | 232   | 159   | 164         | 122   | 99                                       | 30                                       | 2        | 9             | 66          | 2.68                       |
| <b>Effective Base</b>   | <b>1668</b>    | <b>801</b>  | <b>362</b>   | <b>308</b>                               | <b>283</b>  | <b>235</b>                        | <b>224</b>   | <b>182</b>  | <b>119</b>  | <b>118</b>  | <b>73</b>                                       | <b>64</b>                                | <b>15</b>                                | <b>2</b> | <b>9</b>      | <b>48</b>   | <b>2.65</b>                |
| Furthering personal and career interests                        | 368            | 575<br>50%  | 320<br>60%   | 279<br>59%                               | 225<br>53%  | 217<br>60%                        | 140<br>47%   | 114<br>49%  | 104<br>66%  | 78<br>47%   | 71<br>58%                                       | 36<br>36%                                | 11<br>36%                                | -        | -             | 2<br>4%     | 2.78                       |
| Representing the views of their political party                 | 298            | 426<br>37%  | 246<br>46%   | 189<br>40%                               | 204<br>48%  | 167<br>46%                        | 108<br>36%   | 93<br>40%   | 66<br>42%   | 57<br>35%   | 25<br>20%                                       | 22<br>22%                                | 8<br>28%                                 | -        | -             | *<br>1%     | 2.78                       |
| Presenting their views through the media                        | 258            | 368<br>32%  | 178<br>33%   | 189<br>40%                               | 168<br>40%  | 149<br>41%                        | 94<br>31%  | 77<br>33%   | 49<br>31%   | 63<br>38%   | 38<br>31%                                       | 19<br>19%                                | 5<br>17%                                 | -        | -             | -           | 2.79                       |
| Debating important issues in the House of Commons               | 173            | 256<br>22%  | 121<br>22%   | 119<br>25%                               | 97<br>23%   | 75<br>21%                         | 87<br>29%  | 65<br>28%   | 34<br>22%   | 48<br>29%   | 26<br>21%                                       | 24<br>24%                                | 11<br>36%                                | -        | -             | 1<br>1%     | 2.77                       |
| Making laws   | 110            | 162<br>14%  | 73<br>14%  | 81<br>17%                                | 69<br>16%   | 63<br>18%                         | 43<br>14%  | 35<br>15%   | 19<br>12%   | 28<br>17%   | 20<br>16%                                       | 15<br>16%                                | 8<br>27%                                 | -        | -             | -           | 2.80                       |
| Dealing with the problems of individual constituents            | 99             | 148<br>13%  | 80<br>15%  | 42<br>9%                                 | 52<br>12%   | 47<br>13%                         | 57<br>19%  | 36<br>15%   | 16<br>10%   | 22<br>14%   | 16<br>13%                                       | 12<br>12%                                | *<br>1%                                  | -        | *<br>3%       | 5<br>7%     | 2.65                       |
| Representing the views of local people in the House of Commons  | 95             | 121<br>10%  | 80<br>15%  | 35<br>8%                                 | 52<br>12%   | 29<br>8%                          | 33<br>11%  | 25<br>11%   | 14<br>9%  | 16<br>10%   | 12<br>10%                                       | 15<br>16%                                | 2<br>7%                                  | -        | -             | 1<br>2%     | 2.63                       |
| Participating in local public meetings and events               | 92             | 131<br>11%  | 59<br>11%  | 49<br>10%                                | 58<br>14%   | 50<br>14%                         | 56<br>19%  | 26<br>11%   | 23<br>15%   | 27<br>16%   | 16<br>13%                                       | 7<br>7%                                  | 1<br>2%                                  | -        | -             | -           | 2.83                       |
| Representing the UK's national interests                        | 74             | 102<br>9%   | 54<br>10%  | 44<br>9%                                 | 39<br>9%  | 37<br>10%                         | 28<br>9%   | 26<br>11%   | 14<br>9%  | 10<br>6%    | 19<br>15%                                       | 11<br>11%                                | 5<br>15%                                 | -        | -             | *<br>*      | 2.80                       |
| Holding the government to account                               | 74             | 94<br>8%    | 37<br>7%   | 38<br>8%                                 | 40<br>9%  | 34<br>9%                          | 22<br>7%   | 25<br>11%   | 11<br>7%  | 15<br>9%    | 20<br>17%                                       | 19<br>19%                                | 6<br>20%                                 | -        | -             | -           | 2.84                       |
| Communicating with constituents on the doorstep or by telephone | 28             | 38<br>3%    | 14<br>3%   | 16<br>3%                                 | 6<br>1%   | 11<br>3%                          | 13<br>5%   | 9<br>4%   | 7<br>4%   | 12<br>7%    | 5<br>4%   | 4<br>4%                                  | 4<br>14%                                 | -        | -             | 1<br>2%     | 2.72                       |
| Other   | 5              | 3<br>*      | 1<br>*   | 1<br>*                                   | 1<br>*  | 1<br>*                            | *<br>*   | -<br>*  | *<br>*  | -<br>*      | -<br>*  | *<br>*                                   | -<br>*                                   | 1<br>34% | -             | 1<br>1%     | 2.15                       |
| None of these   | 21             | 20<br>2%    | 2<br>*   | 6<br>1%                                  | 4<br>1%   | 1<br>*                            | 5<br>2%  | 3<br>1%   | 2<br>2%   | 3<br>2%     | 1<br>1%   | 3<br>3%                                  | 2<br>6%                                  | 1<br>66% | 5<br>63%      | *<br>*      | 2.34                       |
| Don't know  | 80             | 109<br>9%   | 21<br>4%   | 20<br>4%                                 | 24<br>6%  | 13<br>4%                          | 12<br>4%   | 10<br>4%  | 4<br>3%   | 8<br>5%     | 4<br>3%   | 7<br>7%                                  | 1<br>3%                                  | -        | 3<br>34%      | 54<br>83%   | 2.40                       |
| <b>Average number of Mentions</b>                               | <b>2.37</b>    | <b>2.36</b> | <b>2.46</b>  | <b>2.44</b>                              | <b>2.55</b>                                       | <b>2.53</b>                       | <b>2.42</b>  | <b>2.43</b>                                       | <b>2.35</b>   | <b>2.44</b> | <b>2.28</b>                                     | <b>2.09</b>                              | <b>2.23</b>                              | <b>-</b> | <b>1.00</b>   | <b>1.02</b> | <b>1.03</b>                |

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**Q.24 Here is a list of different professions. Please indicate which, if any, you would be proud for a child or family member of yours to do?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Gender     |            | Age        |           |            |            |            |            |            |           |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|--|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|  | Male       | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34     | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34     | 35-54      | 55+        | AB           | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands  | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| Unweighted total                           | 1156       | 552        | 604        | 138       | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135       | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                             | 1156       | 561        | 595        | 173       | 183        | 216        | 186        | 169        | 117        | 111       | 356        | 402        | 398          | 310        | 333        | 241        | 272        | 642        | 514        | 387        | 411        | 358            | 306                   | 681                            | 169         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                      | <b>801</b> | <b>391</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>98</b> | <b>145</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b> | <b>236</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>222</b> | <b>401</b> | <b>413</b> | <b>312</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| Family doctor                              | 862        | 418        | 444        | 109       | 133        | 171        | 149        | 132        | 94         | 74        | 242        | 320        | 300          | 259        | 249        | 168        | 186        | 508        | 354        | 282        | 313        | 267            | 197                   | 552                            | 113         | 855         |
|  | 75%        | 74%        | 75%        | 63%       | 73%        | 79%        | 80%        | 78%        | 80%        | 67%       | 68%        | 80%        | 75%          | 84%        | 75%        | 70%        | 68%        | 79%        | 69%        | 73%        | 76%        | 75%            | 64%                   | 81%                            | 67%         | 74%         |
| School head teacher                        | 734        | 348        | 386        | 96        | 116        | 129        | 122        | 123        | 83         | 65        | 213        | 251        | 271          | 226        | 218        | 157        | 133        | 444        | 290        | 248        | 272        | 214            | 171                   | 463                            | 100         | 705         |
|  | 64%        | 62%        | 65%        | 56%       | 63%        | 60%        | 66%        | 72%        | 71%        | 58%       | 60%        | 63%        | 68%          | 73%        | 65%        | 65%        | 49%        | 69%        | 56%        | 64%        | 66%        | 60%            | 56%                   | 68%                            | 59%         | 61%         |
| Solicitor                                  | 612        | 293        | 319        | 87        | 103        | 124        | 107        | 91         | 58         | 41        | 190        | 231        | 190          | 192        | 175        | 126        | 119        | 367        | 244        | 203        | 232        | 176            | 149                   | 389                            | 74          | 581         |
|  | 53%        | 52%        | 54%        | 51%       | 56%        | 58%        | 58%        | 54%        | 50%        | 37%       | 53%        | 58%        | 48%          | 62%        | 53%        | 52%        | 44%        | 57%        | 48%        | 52%        | 57%        | 49%            | 49%                   | 57%                            | 44%         | 50%         |
| Businessman/woman                          | 580        | 302        | 277        | 78        | 101        | 117        | 113        | 94         | 46         | 30        | 179        | 230        | 170          | 183        | 172        | 113        | 112        | 355        | 225        | 193        | 220        | 167            | 140                   | 378                            | 61          | 530         |
|  | 50%        | 54%        | 47%        | 45%       | 55%        | 54%        | 61%        | 56%        | 39%        | 27%       | 50%        | 57%        | 43%          | 59%        | 52%        | 47%        | 41%        | 55%        | 44%        | 50%        | 53%        | 47%            | 46%                   | 56%                            | 36%         | 46%         |
| Judge                                      | 533        | 252        | 281        | 79        | 89         | 106        | 102        | 83         | 39         | 34        | 168        | 208        | 157          | 192        | 167        | 95         | 79         | 359        | 174        | 174        | 220        | 139            | 138                   | 335                            | 60          | 490         |
|  | 46%        | 45%        | 47%        | 46%       | 49%        | 49%        | 55%        | 49%        | 34%        | 31%       | 47%        | 52%        | 39%          | 62%        | 50%        | 39%        | 29%        | 56%        | 34%        | 45%        | 54%        | 39%            | 45%                   | 49%                            | 35%         | 42%         |
| Senior police officer                      | 504        | 240        | 264        | 66        | 82         | 104        | 90         | 84         | 48         | 31        | 148        | 193        | 162          | 167        | 146        | 104        | 87         | 313        | 191        | 171        | 192        | 141            | 107                   | 334                            | 63          | 468         |
|  | 44%        | 43%        | 44%        | 38%       | 45%        | 48%        | 48%        | 50%        | 41%        | 27%       | 42%        | 48%        | 41%          | 54%        | 44%        | 43%        | 32%        | 49%        | 37%        | 44%        | 47%        | 40%            | 35%                   | 49%                            | 37%         | 40%         |
| NHS manager                                | 376        | 187        | 189        | 68        | 74         | 70         | 61         | 54         | 30         | 19        | 142        | 131        | 103          | 127        | 114        | 76         | 60         | 241        | 136        | 135        | 136        | 106            | 96                    | 242                            | 39          | 339         |
|  | 33%        | 33%        | 32%        | 39%       | 40%        | 32%        | 33%        | 32%        | 26%        | 17%       | 40%        | 33%        | 26%          | 41%        | 34%        | 31%        | 22%        | 37%        | 26%        | 35%        | 33%        | 30%            | 31%                   | 36%                            | 23%         | 29%         |
| Senior civil servant                       | 342        | 185        | 157        | 45        | 61         | 67         | 57         | 62         | 26         | 24        | 106        | 124        | 113          | 130        | 96         | 77         | 39         | 227        | 116        | 119        | 126        | 98             | 76                    | 227                            | 40          | 309         |
|  | 30%        | 33%        | 26%        | 26%       | 33%        | 31%        | 31%        | 37%        | 23%        | 22%       | 30%        | 31%        | 28%          | 42%        | 29%        | 32%        | 14%        | 35%        | 23%        | 31%        | 31%        | 27%            | 25%                   | 33%                            | 24%         | 27%         |
| Broadsheet journalist                      | 274        | 143        | 131        | 40        | 44         | 60         | 50         | 47         | 23         | 9         | 84         | 110        | 80           | 117        | 73         | 51         | 33         | 190        | 83         | 84         | 110        | 80             | 59                    | 186                            | 29          | 243         |
|  | 24%        | 25%        | 22%        | 23%       | 24%        | 28%        | 27%        | 28%        | 20%        | 8%        | 24%        | 27%        | 20%          | 38%        | 22%        | 21%        | 12%        | 30%        | 16%        | 22%        | 27%        | 22%            | 19%                   | 27%                            | 17%         | 21%         |
| National politician (Member of Parliament) | 257        | 149        | 108        | 36        | 43         | 44         | 48         | 47         | 23         | 16        | 79         | 92         | 85           | 107        | 81         | 39         | 30         | 188        | 69         | 76         | 110        | 71             | 56                    | 169                            | 31          | 230         |
|  | 22%        | 27%        | 18%        | 21%       | 24%        | 20%        | 26%        | 28%        | 19%        | 14%       | 22%        | 23%        | 21%          | 35%        | 24%        | 16%        | 11%        | 29%        | 13%        | 20%        | 27%        | 20%            | 18%                   | 25%                            | 18%         | 20%         |
| Local politician (Councillor)              | 247        | 135        | 112        | 32        | 42         | 43         | 51         | 45         | 18         | 16        | 74         | 94         | 79           | 103        | 73         | 41         | 30         | 176        | 71         | 72         | 111        | 64             | 56                    | 163                            | 28          | 215         |
|  | 21%        | 24%        | 19%        | 18%       | 23%        | 20%        | 28%        | 27%        | 15%        | 14%       | 21%        | 23%        | 20%          | 33%        | 22%        | 17%        | 11%        | 27%        | 14%        | 19%        | 27%        | 18%            | 18%                   | 24%                            | 17%         | 19%         |
| Council manager                            | 239        | 131        | 109        | 38        | 44         | 48         | 41         | 45         | 15         | 8         | 81         | 90         | 68           | 89         | 75         | 48         | 28         | 164        | 75         | 71         | 98         | 71             | 55                    | 162                            | 22          | 215         |
|  | 21%        | 23%        | 18%        | 22%       | 24%        | 22%        | 22%        | 26%        | 13%        | 7%        | 23%        | 22%        | 17%          | 29%        | 23%        | 20%        | 10%        | 26%        | 15%        | 18%        | 24%        | 20%            | 18%                   | 24%                            | 13%         | 19%         |
| Estate agent                               | 185        | 99         | 86         | 32        | 41         | 28         | 30         | 38         | 9          | 7         | 73         | 58         | 54           | 54         | 56         | 38         | 37         | 110        | 75         | 71         | 67         | 48             | 47                    | 115                            | 24          | 175         |
|  | 16%        | 18%        | 14%        | 18%       | 22%        | 13%        | 16%        | 23%        | 8%         | 6%        | 20%        | 15%        | 14%          | 17%        | 17%        | 16%        | 14%        | 17%        | 15%        | 18%        | 16%        | 13%            | 15%                   | 17%                            | 14%         | 15%         |
| Tabloid journalist                         | 145        | 81         | 64         | 19        | 30         | 33         | 28         | 21         | 8          | 4         | 49         | 62         | 34           | 43         | 46         | 34         | 22         | 89         | 56         | 52         | 59         | 34             | 30                    | 99                             | 17          | 131         |
|  | 13%        | 14%        | 11%        | 11%       | 16%        | 15%        | 15%        | 13%        | 7%         | 4%        | 14%        | 15%        | 9%           | 14%        | 14%        | 14%        | 8%         | 14%        | 11%        | 14%        | 14%        | 10%            | 10%                   | 14%                            | 10%         | 11%         |
| None of these                              | 37         | 16         | 21         | 4         | 8          | 4          | 9          | 5          | -          | 6         | 12         | 13         | 12           | 4          | 11         | 6          | 16         | 15         | 22         | 12         | 10         | 15             | 14                    | 17                             | 6           | 40          |
|  | 3%         | 3%         | 4%         | 3%        | 4%         | 2%         | 5%         | 3%         | -          | 6%        | 3%         | 3%         | 3%           | 1%         | 3%         | 3%         | 6%         | 2%         | 4%         | 3%         | 2%         | 4%             | 4%                    | 3%                             | 3%          | 3%          |
| Don't know                                 | 45         | 25         | 20         | 8         | 9          | 9          | 6          | 4          | 2          | 8         | 17         | 15         | 14           | 6          | 15         | 13         | 11         | 21         | 24         | 13         | 22         | 10             | 14                    | 23                             | 9           | 52          |
|  | 4%         | 4%         | 3%         | 4%        | 5%         | 4%         | 3%         | 3%         | 2%         | 7%        | 5%         | 4%         | 4%           | 2%         | 5%         | 5%         | 4%         | 3%         | 5%         | 3%         | 5%         | 3%             | 5%                    | 3%                             | 5%          | 4%          |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 236

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Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education           |                   |                                |                  | Ethnicity  |            | GO Region  |           |           |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           | Unwtd total |            |             |
|--|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|---------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|  | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/ NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/ Masters /PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME        | South East | Eastern   | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland   |             |
| Unweighted total                           | 1156           | 425        | 109         | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548                 | 318               | 183                            | 258              | 274        | 1007       | 146        | 116       | 102       | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68        | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total                             | 1156           | 520        | 109         | 527                   | 372        | 287                  | 253        | 423        | 522                 | 320               | 213                            | 287              | 219        | 1054       | 100        | 162       | 110       | 147        | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101        | 134        | 51        | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                      | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b> | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b>          | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                     | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b> | <b>703</b> | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b> | <b>72</b> | <b>86</b>  | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b> | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| Family doctor                              | 862            | 401        | 85          | 376                   | 279        | 197                  | 210        | 286        | 397                 | 234               | 161                            | 229              | 140        | 808        | 53         | 130       | 80        | 96         | 87            | 88            | 57                       | 75         | 87         | 39        | 42          | 81         | 855         |
|  | 75%            | 77%        | 78%         | 71%                   | 75%        | 69%                  | 83%        | 68%        | 76%                 | 73%               | 76%                            | 80%              | 64%        | 77%        | 53%        | 81%       | 73%       | 65%        | 85%           | 84%           | 66%                      | 74%        | 65%        | 78%       | 73%         | 80%        | 74%         |
| School head teacher                        | 734            | 347        | 72          | 315                   | 218        | 179                  | 174        | 252        | 337                 | 188               | 155                            | 193              | 115        | 702        | 31         | 116       | 70        | 80         | 75            | 53            | 56                       | 65         | 74         | 42        | 35          | 68         | 705         |
|  | 64%            | 67%        | 66%         | 60%                   | 59%        | 62%                  | 69%        | 60%        | 65%                 | 59%               | 73%                            | 67%              | 52%        | 67%        | 31%        | 72%       | 64%       | 55%        | 73%           | 51%           | 65%                      | 64%        | 55%        | 82%       | 61%         | 67%        | 61%         |
| Solicitor                                  | 612            | 314        | 56          | 241                   | 207        | 153                  | 153        | 211        | 274                 | 164               | 130                            | 174              | 87         | 580        | 31         | 102       | 53        | 67         | 63            | 42            | 48                       | 58         | 59         | 22        | 33          | 64         | 581         |
|  | 53%            | 60%        | 51%         | 46%                   | 56%        | 53%                  | 60%        | 50%        | 53%                 | 51%               | 61%                            | 61%              | 40%        | 55%        | 31%        | 63%       | 49%       | 46%        | 61%           | 40%           | 56%                      | 58%        | 44%        | 44%       | 57%         | 63%        | 50%         |
| Businessman/woman                          | 580            | 304        | 60          | 216                   | 185        | 155                  | 141        | 197        | 273                 | 149               | 132                            | 170              | 67         | 546        | 33         | 94        | 57        | 69         | 57            | 40            | 41                       | 51         | 69         | 27        | 30          | 46         | 530         |
|  | 50%            | 59%        | 55%         | 41%                   | 50%        | 54%                  | 56%        | 46%        | 52%                 | 47%               | 62%                            | 59%              | 30%        | 52%        | 33%        | 58%       | 52%       | 47%        | 55%           | 38%           | 47%                      | 51%        | 52%        | 53%       | 52%         | 45%        | 46%         |
| Judge                                      | 533            | 276        | 56          | 201                   | 176        | 133                  | 148        | 173        | 241                 | 130               | 121                            | 171              | 55         | 512        | 19         | 98        | 52        | 61         | 62            | 34            | 34                       | 54         | 51         | 24        | 19          | 45         | 490         |
|  | 46%            | 53%        | 51%         | 38%                   | 47%        | 46%                  | 59%        | 41%        | 46%                 | 41%               | 57%                            | 60%              | 25%        | 49%        | 19%        | 60%       | 47%       | 42%        | 60%           | 33%           | 39%                      | 53%        | 38%        | 47%       | 32%         | 44%        | 42%         |
| Senior police officer                      | 504            | 265        | 57          | 182                   | 165        | 122                  | 115        | 157        | 250                 | 142               | 96                             | 151              | 65         | 490        | 14         | 84        | 44        | 49         | 59            | 34            | 43                       | 47         | 54         | 25        | 20          | 44         | 468         |
|  | 44%            | 51%        | 52%         | 35%                   | 45%        | 42%                  | 46%        | 37%        | 48%                 | 44%               | 45%                            | 53%              | 30%        | 46%        | 14%        | 52%       | 40%       | 33%        | 57%           | 33%           | 49%                      | 47%        | 40%        | 50%       | 35%         | 43%        | 40%         |
| NHS manager                                | 376            | 203        | 37          | 137                   | 131        | 96                   | 110        | 120        | 166                 | 93                | 83                             | 124              | 35         | 362        | 14         | 61        | 36        | 35         | 40            | 23            | 28                       | 36         | 47         | 20        | 18          | 32         | 339         |
|  | 33%            | 39%        | 34%         | 26%                   | 35%        | 34%                  | 43%        | 28%        | 32%                 | 29%               | 39%                            | 43%              | 16%        | 34%        | 14%        | 37%       | 33%       | 24%        | 39%           | 23%           | 32%                      | 36%        | 35%        | 39%       | 32%         | 31%        | 29%         |
| Senior civil servant                       | 342            | 186        | 33          | 123                   | 114        | 80                   | 106        | 81         | 167                 | 56                | 71                             | 133              | 38         | 332        | 10         | 59        | 34        | 32         | 34            | 19            | 33                       | 31         | 35         | 18        | 12          | 34         | 309         |
|  | 30%            | 36%        | 30%         | 23%                   | 31%        | 28%                  | 42%        | 19%        | 32%                 | 17%               | 33%                            | 46%              | 17%        | 31%        | 10%        | 37%       | 31%       | 22%        | 33%           | 18%           | 38%                      | 31%        | 26%        | 36%       | 21%         | 34%        | 27%         |
| Broadsheet journalist                      | 274            | 156        | 22          | 95                    | 95         | 62                   | 104        | 69         | 118                 | 45                | 65                             | 121              | 19         | 267        | 6          | 51        | 28        | 28         | 31            | 18            | 21                       | 13         | 25         | 19        | 13          | 27         | 243         |
|  | 24%            | 30%        | 21%         | 18%                   | 25%        | 22%                  | 41%        | 16%        | 23%                 | 14%               | 30%                            | 42%              | 9%         | 25%        | 6%         | 32%       | 26%       | 19%        | 30%           | 17%           | 24%                      | 13%        | 19%        | 38%       | 23%         | 26%        | 21%         |
| National politician (Member of Parliament) | 257            | 132        | 30          | 95                    | 76         | 62                   | 97         | 69         | 108                 | 48                | 57                             | 109              | 18         | 248        | 8          | 49        | 28        | 29         | 31            | 16            | 17                       | 19         | 22         | 12        | 10          | 23         | 230         |
|  | 22%            | 25%        | 28%         | 18%                   | 20%        | 22%                  | 38%        | 16%        | 21%                 | 15%               | 27%                            | 38%              | 8%         | 23%        | 8%         | 31%       | 26%       | 20%        | 30%           | 15%           | 20%                      | 18%        | 17%        | 24%       | 18%         | 23%        | 20%         |
| Local politician (Councillor)              | 247            | 127        | 27          | 93                    | 72         | 60                   | 86         | 66         | 110                 | 44                | 57                             | 99               | 20         | 244        | 2          | 53        | 30        | 22         | 36            | 10            | 14                       | 14         | 26         | 11        | 9           | 21         | 215         |
|  | 21%            | 24%        | 25%         | 18%                   | 19%        | 21%                  | 34%        | 16%        | 21%                 | 14%               | 27%                            | 34%              | 9%         | 23%        | 2%         | 33%       | 27%       | 15%        | 35%           | 10%           | 17%                      | 14%        | 20%        | 22%       | 16%         | 21%        | 19%         |
| Council manager                            | 239            | 130        | 24          | 86                    | 81         | 57                   | 82         | 60         | 109                 | 42                | 50                             | 97               | 25         | 234        | 5          | 43        | 24        | 23         | 32            | 14            | 24                       | 15         | 23         | 12        | 9           | 22         | 215         |
|  | 21%            | 25%        | 22%         | 16%                   | 22%        | 20%                  | 32%        | 14%        | 21%                 | 13%               | 24%                            | 34%              | 12%        | 22%        | 4%         | 27%       | 22%       | 16%        | 31%           | 14%           | 27%                      | 15%        | 17%        | 23%       | 15%         | 21%        | 19%         |
| Estate agent                               | 185            | 101        | 25          | 59                    | 55         | 51                   | 50         | 55         | 86                  | 48                | 44                             | 52               | 18         | 178        | 6          | 29        | 16        | 11         | 27            | 9             | 12                       | 17         | 23         | 10        | 11          | 21         | 175         |
|  | 16%            | 19%        | 22%         | 11%                   | 15%        | 18%                  | 20%        | 13%        | 17%                 | 15%               | 20%                            | 18%              | 8%         | 17%        | 6%         | 18%       | 14%       | 7%         | 26%           | 9%            | 14%                      | 17%        | 17%        | 20%       | 19%         | 20%        | 15%         |
| Tabloid journalist                         | 145            | 84         | 13          | 49                    | 54         | 36                   | 37         | 49         | 67                  | 33                | 33                             | 52               | 14         | 143        | 1          | 26        | 11        | 14         | 19            | 5             | 10                       | 12         | 16         | 8         | 8           | 16         | 131         |
|  | 13%            | 16%        | 11%         | 9%                    | 15%        | 13%                  | 15%        | 12%        | 13%                 | 10%               | 15%                            | 18%              | 6%         | 14%        | 1%         | 16%       | 10%       | 10%        | 18%           | 5%            | 11%                      | 12%        | 12%        | 15%       | 13%         | 16%        | 11%         |
| None of these                              | 37             | 12         | 7           | 18                    | 14         | 7                    | 7          | 19         | 12                  | 11                | *                              | 10               | 15         | 31         | 6          | 4         | 7         | 6          | -             | 1             | 7                        | 3          | 5          | 1         | *           | 2          | 40          |
|  | 3%             | 2%         | 7%          | 3%                    | 4%         | 2%                   | 3%         | 5%         | 2%                  | 3%                | *                              | 4%               | 7%         | 3%         | 6%         | 3%        | 6%        | 4%         | -             | 1%            | 8%                       | 3%         | 4%         | 3%        | 1%          | 2%         | 3%          |
| Don't know                                 | 45             | 18         | 4           | 23                    | 15         | 18                   | 9          | 21         | 16                  | 8                 | 7                              | 12               | 14         | 33         | 12         | 8         | 3         | 12         | 2             | 1             | 7                        | 6          | 4          | 1         | -           | 2          | 52          |
|  | 4%             | 4%         | 4%          | 4%                    | 4%         | 6%                   | 4%         | 5%         | 3%                  | 2%                | 3%                             | 4%               | 7%         | 3%         | 12%        | 5%        | 2%        | 8%         | 2%            | 1%            | 8%                       | 6%         | 3%         | 2%        | -           | 2%         | 4%          |

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|   | Urbanity          |            |            | Interest in politics |            | Likelihood to vote |            | Political activism |            | Opinion on present system |            | Knew local MP     |            | Unwtd total |             |
|---|-------------------|------------|------------|----------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|---------------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
|   | Total             | Urban      | Rural      | Mixed                | Interested | Not interested     | Certain to | Certain not to     | Activist   | Non-activist              | Works well | Needs improvement | Yes        |             | No          |
| Unweighted total                              | <b>1156</b>       | 773        | 145        | 238                  | 580        | 569                | 627        | 143                | 160        | 996                       | 327        | 783               | 495        | 661         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                                | <b>1156</b>       | 784        | 136        | 235                  | 611        | 539                | 619        | 140                | 180        | 976                       | 322        | 793               | 511        | 645         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                         | <b>801</b>        | <b>535</b> | <b>97</b>  | <b>170</b>           | <b>404</b> | <b>394</b>         | <b>430</b> | <b>96</b>          | <b>118</b> | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b> | <b>543</b>        | <b>339</b> | <b>464</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| Family doctor                                 | <b>862</b><br>75% | 572<br>73% | 108<br>79% | 182<br>77%           | 483<br>79% | 376<br>70%         | 474<br>77% | 95<br>68%          | 149<br>83% | 712<br>73%                | 232<br>72% | 609<br>77%        | 402<br>79% | 460<br>71%  | 855<br>74%  |
| School head teacher                           | <b>734</b><br>64% | 480<br>61% | 100<br>74% | 154<br>65%           | 439<br>72% | 294<br>55%         | 422<br>68% | 72<br>51%          | 141<br>78% | 593<br>61%                | 207<br>64% | 512<br>65%        | 347<br>68% | 387<br>60%  | 705<br>61%  |
| Solicitor                                     | <b>612</b><br>53% | 422<br>54% | 78<br>57%  | 111<br>47%           | 352<br>58% | 257<br>48%         | 322<br>52% | 71<br>51%          | 107<br>59% | 505<br>52%                | 172<br>53% | 421<br>53%        | 294<br>57% | 318<br>49%  | 581<br>50%  |
| Businessman/woman                             | <b>580</b><br>50% | 407<br>52% | 72<br>53%  | 100<br>43%           | 339<br>55% | 239<br>44%         | 302<br>49% | 76<br>54%          | 119<br>66% | 461<br>47%                | 163<br>51% | 400<br>50%        | 266<br>52% | 313<br>49%  | 530<br>46%  |
| Judge   | <b>533</b><br>46% | 363<br>46% | 71<br>52%  | 99<br>42%            | 333<br>55% | 198<br>37%         | 311<br>50% | 52<br>37%          | 110<br>61% | 423<br>43%                | 166<br>52% | 355<br>45%        | 275<br>54% | 258<br>40%  | 490<br>42%  |
| Senior police officer                         | <b>504</b><br>44% | 339<br>43% | 64<br>47%  | 102<br>43%           | 306<br>50% | 197<br>37%         | 287<br>46% | 44<br>31%          | 110<br>61% | 394<br>40%                | 161<br>50% | 338<br>43%        | 262<br>51% | 242<br>37%  | 468<br>40%  |
| NHS manager                                   | <b>376</b><br>33% | 260<br>33% | 52<br>38%  | 64<br>27%            | 226<br>37% | 147<br>27%         | 213<br>34% | 37<br>27%          | 84<br>47%  | 292<br>30%                | 107<br>33% | 262<br>33%        | 186<br>36% | 191<br>30%  | 339<br>29%  |
| Senior civil servant                          | <b>342</b><br>30% | 238<br>30% | 43<br>32%  | 61<br>26%            | 230<br>38% | 110<br>20%         | 211<br>34% | 22<br>16%          | 96<br>53%  | 246<br>25%                | 120<br>37% | 215<br>27%        | 185<br>36% | 158<br>24%  | 309<br>27%  |
| Broadsheet journalist                         | <b>274</b><br>24% | 192<br>24% | 39<br>29%  | 43<br>18%            | 196<br>32% | 76<br>14%          | 159<br>26% | 19<br>14%          | 89<br>50%  | 184<br>19%                | 79<br>24%  | 191<br>24%        | 149<br>29% | 125<br>19%  | 243<br>21%  |
| National politician<br>(Member of Parliament) | <b>257</b><br>22% | 184<br>24% | 33<br>24%  | 39<br>17%            | 195<br>32% | 61<br>11%          | 170<br>27% | 11<br>8%           | 76<br>42%  | 181<br>19%                | 95<br>30%  | 158<br>20%        | 147<br>29% | 110<br>17%  | 230<br>20%  |
| Local politician<br>(Councillor)              | <b>247</b><br>21% | 169<br>22% | 35<br>25%  | 44<br>19%            | 189<br>31% | 58<br>11%          | 169<br>27% | 14<br>10%          | 77<br>43%  | 171<br>17%                | 89<br>28%  | 154<br>19%        | 139<br>27% | 108<br>17%  | 215<br>19%  |
| Council manager                               | <b>239</b><br>21% | 172<br>22% | 33<br>24%  | 35<br>15%            | 164<br>27% | 73<br>14%          | 145<br>24% | 17<br>12%          | 61<br>34%  | 178<br>18%                | 84<br>26%  | 151<br>19%        | 125<br>24% | 115<br>18%  | 215<br>19%  |
| Estate agent                                  | <b>185</b><br>16% | 125<br>16% | 24<br>17%  | 36<br>15%            | 114<br>19% | 70<br>13%          | 107<br>17% | 15<br>11%          | 41<br>23%  | 144<br>15%                | 49<br>15%  | 132<br>17%        | 82<br>16%  | 103<br>16%  | 175<br>15%  |
| Tabloid journalist                            | <b>145</b><br>13% | 103<br>13% | 22<br>16%  | 20<br>8%             | 96<br>16%  | 48<br>9%           | 83<br>13%  | 12<br>8%           | 37<br>20%  | 108<br>11%                | 46<br>14%  | 95<br>12%         | 69<br>14%  | 76<br>12%   | 131<br>11%  |
| None of these                                 | <b>37</b><br>3%   | 30<br>4%   | 1<br>1%    | 6<br>2%              | 15<br>2%   | 22<br>4%           | 25<br>4%   | 2<br>2%            | 3<br>2%    | 34<br>3%                  | 12<br>4%   | 21<br>3%          | 21<br>4%   | 16<br>3%    | 40<br>3%    |
| Don't know                                    | <b>45</b><br>4%   | 36<br>5%   | 3<br>2%    | 7<br>3%              | 19<br>3%   | 26<br>5%           | 25<br>4%   | 4<br>3%            | 7<br>4%    | 38<br>4%                  | 16<br>5%   | 21<br>3%          | 10<br>2%   | 35<br>5%    | 52<br>4%    |

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|   | Quiz score |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |            | Satisfaction with MPs in general |            | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |              | Unwtd total |                     |
|---|------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|--|------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
|   | Total      | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                           | Agree      | Disagree        | Use internet |             | Do not use internet |
| Unweighted total                              | 1156       | 210        | 463        | 483                        | 459        | 183                              | 349        | 502                                    | 438        | 450             | 762          | 394         | 1156                |
| Weighted total                                | 1156       | 187        | 470        | 499                        | 444        | 190                              | 336        | 515                                    | 427        | 474             | 826          | 330         | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                         | <b>801</b> | <b>150</b> | <b>310</b> | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b> | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b> | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b> | <b>302</b>      | <b>540</b>   | <b>269</b>  | <b>1156</b>         |
| Family doctor                                 | 862<br>75% | 112<br>60% | 323<br>69% | 427<br>85%                 | 343<br>77% | 144<br>76%                       | 248<br>74% | 398<br>77%                             | 318<br>74% | 353<br>75%      | 644<br>78%   | 217<br>66%  | 855<br>74%          |
| School head teacher                           | 734<br>64% | 75<br>40%  | 290<br>62% | 370<br>74%                 | 293<br>66% | 110<br>58%                       | 219<br>65% | 317<br>62%                             | 288<br>67% | 284<br>60%      | 560<br>68%   | 174<br>53%  | 705<br>61%          |
| Solicitor                                     | 612<br>53% | 75<br>40%  | 236<br>50% | 300<br>60%                 | 235<br>53% | 98<br>51%                        | 169<br>50% | 278<br>54%                             | 208<br>49% | 268<br>57%      | 468<br>57%   | 144<br>44%  | 581<br>50%          |
| Businessman/woman                             | 580<br>50% | 62<br>33%  | 223<br>48% | 295<br>59%                 | 225<br>51% | 92<br>49%                        | 169<br>50% | 267<br>52%                             | 216<br>51% | 238<br>50%      | 478<br>58%   | 102<br>31%  | 530<br>46%          |
| Judge   | 533<br>46% | 53<br>28%  | 188<br>40% | 292<br>59%                 | 218<br>49% | 82<br>43%                        | 163<br>49% | 237<br>46%                             | 204<br>48% | 223<br>47%      | 438<br>53%   | 95<br>29%   | 490<br>42%          |
| Senior police officer                         | 504<br>44% | 42<br>22%  | 189<br>40% | 273<br>55%                 | 205<br>46% | 78<br>41%                        | 152<br>45% | 220<br>43%                             | 191<br>45% | 204<br>43%      | 421<br>51%   | 83<br>25%   | 468<br>40%          |
| NHS manager                                   | 376<br>33% | 35<br>19%  | 139<br>30% | 202<br>41%                 | 148<br>33% | 56<br>30%                        | 123<br>37% | 157<br>31%                             | 152<br>36% | 143<br>30%      | 312<br>38%   | 65<br>20%   | 339<br>29%          |
| Senior civil servant                          | 342<br>30% | 28<br>15%  | 109<br>23% | 205<br>41%                 | 148<br>33% | 48<br>26%                        | 117<br>35% | 132<br>26%                             | 141<br>33% | 132<br>28%      | 285<br>35%   | 57<br>17%   | 309<br>27%          |
| Broadsheet journalist                         | 274<br>24% | 11<br>6%   | 81<br>17%  | 181<br>36%                 | 112<br>25% | 35<br>19%                        | 88<br>26%  | 112<br>22%                             | 117<br>27% | 104<br>22%      | 246<br>30%   | 28<br>8%    | 243<br>21%          |
| National politician<br>(Member of Parliament) | 257<br>22% | 10<br>6%   | 77<br>16%  | 170<br>34%                 | 121<br>27% | 34<br>18%                        | 111<br>33% | 84<br>16%                              | 127<br>30% | 80<br>17%       | 224<br>27%   | 33<br>10%   | 230<br>20%          |
| Local politician<br>(Councillor)              | 247<br>21% | 8<br>4%    | 80<br>17%  | 159<br>32%                 | 111<br>25% | 33<br>17%                        | 96<br>29%  | 90<br>17%                              | 124<br>29% | 78<br>17%       | 207<br>25%   | 40<br>12%   | 215<br>19%          |
| Council manager                               | 239<br>21% | 12<br>7%   | 86<br>18%  | 141<br>28%                 | 98<br>22%  | 29<br>15%                        | 87<br>26%  | 90<br>17%                              | 107<br>25% | 82<br>17%       | 209<br>25%   | 31<br>9%    | 215<br>19%          |
| Estate agent                                  | 185<br>16% | 10<br>6%   | 75<br>16%  | 100<br>20%                 | 70<br>16%  | 32<br>17%                        | 56<br>17%  | 79<br>15%                              | 83<br>19%  | 64<br>13%       | 153<br>18%   | 32<br>10%   | 175<br>15%          |
| Tabloid journalist                            | 145<br>13% | 8<br>4%    | 52<br>11%  | 84<br>17%                  | 51<br>12%  | 18<br>10%                        | 43<br>13%  | 61<br>12%                              | 67<br>16%  | 52<br>11%       | 127<br>15%   | 18<br>5%    | 131<br>11%          |
| None of these                                 | 37<br>3%   | 13<br>7%   | 18<br>4%   | 7<br>1%                    | 17<br>4%   | 8<br>4%                          | 15<br>4%   | 13<br>2%                               | 14<br>3%   | 11<br>2%        | 16<br>2%     | 21<br>6%    | 40<br>3%            |
| Don't know                                    | 45<br>4%   | 17<br>9%   | 15<br>3%   | 13<br>3%                   | 14<br>3%   | 7<br>4%                          | 14<br>4%   | 12<br>2%                               | 16<br>4%   | 15<br>3%        | 25<br>3%     | 20<br>6%    | 52<br>4%            |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 239

**Q.24 Here is a list of different professions. Please indicate which, if any, you would be proud for a child or family member of yours to do?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Seat marginality |                       |                          |                         | Segment     |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        | Unwtd total |                   |
|--|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------|-------------------|
|  | Total            | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful |             | Alienated/hostile |
| Unweighted total                           | 1156             | 163                   | 351                      | 386                     | 419         | 96                    | 142                | 146                   | 228             | 62                    | 93              | 287                    | 102         | 1156              |
| Weighted total                             | 1156             | 175                   | 373                      | 396                     | 387         | 116                   | 157                | 159                   | 191             | 66                    | 92              | 277                    | 99          | 1156              |
| <b>Effective Base</b>                      | <b>801</b>       | <b>113</b>            | <b>251</b>               | <b>263</b>              | <b>290</b>  | <b>72</b>             | <b>101</b>         | <b>92</b>             | <b>160</b>      | <b>49</b>             | <b>66</b>       | <b>209</b>             | <b>63</b>   | <b>1156</b>       |
| Family doctor                              | 862<br>75%       | 130<br>74%            | 287<br>77%               | 301<br>76%              | 274<br>71%  | 100<br>87%            | 131<br>84%         | 137<br>86%            | 140<br>73%      | 54<br>81%             | 56<br>61%       | 189<br>68%             | 55<br>55%   | 855<br>74%        |
| School head teacher                        | 734<br>64%       | 115<br>66%            | 247<br>66%               | 241<br>61%              | 245<br>63%  | 92<br>80%             | 122<br>78%         | 122<br>77%            | 113<br>59%      | 44<br>67%             | 52<br>56%       | 153<br>55%             | 37<br>37%   | 705<br>61%        |
| Solicitor                                  | 612<br>53%       | 105<br>60%            | 194<br>52%               | 204<br>52%              | 213<br>55%  | 76<br>66%             | 91<br>58%          | 100<br>63%            | 83<br>43%       | 43<br>65%             | 46<br>50%       | 133<br>48%             | 39<br>40%   | 581<br>50%        |
| Businessman/woman                          | 580<br>50%       | 86<br>49%             | 192<br>51%               | 204<br>51%              | 184<br>48%  | 80<br>69%             | 100<br>64%         | 105<br>66%            | 55<br>29%       | 38<br>58%             | 39<br>43%       | 116<br>42%             | 45<br>46%   | 530<br>46%        |
| Judge                                      | 533<br>46%       | 100<br>57%            | 183<br>49%               | 168<br>42%              | 182<br>47%  | 77<br>67%             | 98<br>62%          | 93<br>59%             | 60<br>32%       | 41<br>62%             | 36<br>39%       | 103<br>37%             | 25<br>25%   | 490<br>42%        |
| Senior police officer                      | 504<br>44%       | 88<br>51%             | 184<br>49%               | 167<br>42%              | 152<br>39%  | 76<br>66%             | 91<br>58%          | 91<br>57%             | 59<br>31%       | 40<br>60%             | 27<br>29%       | 99<br>36%              | 23<br>23%   | 468<br>40%        |
| NHS manager                                | 376<br>33%       | 52<br>30%             | 114<br>31%               | 138<br>35%              | 124<br>32%  | 63<br>54%             | 64<br>41%          | 61<br>38%             | 44<br>23%       | 31<br>47%             | 13<br>14%       | 77<br>28%              | 25<br>25%   | 339<br>29%        |
| Senior civil servant                       | 342<br>30%       | 65<br>37%             | 122<br>33%               | 118<br>30%              | 103<br>27%  | 69<br>60%             | 71<br>45%          | 60<br>38%             | 35<br>18%       | 25<br>38%             | 19<br>20%       | 52<br>19%              | 12<br>12%   | 309<br>27%        |
| Broadsheet journalist                      | 274<br>24%       | 39<br>23%             | 94<br>25%                | 113<br>29%              | 66<br>17%   | 64<br>56%             | 63<br>40%          | 49<br>31%             | 25<br>13%       | 20<br>30%             | 15<br>16%       | 33<br>12%              | 5<br>5%     | 243<br>21%        |
| National politician (Member of Parliament) | 257<br>22%       | 43<br>25%             | 93<br>25%                | 94<br>24%               | 70<br>18%   | 61<br>53%             | 54<br>34%          | 54<br>34%             | 21<br>11%       | 22<br>33%             | 11<br>12%       | 31<br>11%              | 2<br>2%     | 230<br>20%        |
| Local politician (Councillor)              | 247<br>21%       | 40<br>23%             | 91<br>24%                | 88<br>22%               | 68<br>18%   | 56<br>49%             | 55<br>35%          | 49<br>30%             | 25<br>13%       | 23<br>34%             | 9<br>10%        | 27<br>10%              | 3<br>3%     | 215<br>19%        |
| Council manager                            | 239<br>21%       | 42<br>24%             | 86<br>23%                | 87<br>22%               | 67<br>17%   | 47<br>40%             | 48<br>31%          | 47<br>30%             | 23<br>12%       | 21<br>31%             | 15<br>16%       | 35<br>13%              | 5<br>5%     | 215<br>19%        |
| Estate agent                               | 185<br>16%       | 33<br>19%             | 62<br>17%                | 68<br>17%               | 55<br>14%   | 26<br>22%             | 30<br>19%          | 42<br>26%             | 18<br>9%        | 18<br>27%             | 9<br>10%        | 39<br>14%              | 4<br>4%     | 175<br>15%        |
| Tabloid journalist                         | 145<br>13%       | 25<br>15%             | 55<br>15%                | 58<br>15%               | 32<br>8%    | 21<br>18%             | 28<br>18%          | 32<br>20%             | 11<br>6%        | 15<br>23%             | 12<br>13%       | 23<br>8%               | 4<br>4%     | 131<br>11%        |
| None of these                              | 37<br>3%         | 3<br>1%               | 5<br>1%                  | 15<br>4%                | 17<br>4%    | 2<br>1%               | -                  | 1<br>1%               | 7<br>4%         | -                     | 12<br>13%       | 10<br>4%               | 5<br>5%     | 40<br>3%          |
| Don't know                                 | 45<br>4%         | 10<br>6%              | 14<br>4%                 | 16<br>4%                | 15<br>4%    | 3<br>3%               | 3<br>2%            | 2<br>1%               | 8<br>4%         | 1<br>1%               | 3<br>3%         | 18<br>7%               | 7<br>8%     | 52<br>4%          |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
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Table 240

**Q.25a In general, what do you think motivates most people who try to become MPs? Which of the following is the first most important?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Gender      |            | Age        |           |            |            |            |            |            |           |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                    | Male        | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34     | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34     | 35-54      | 55+        | AB           | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands  | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| Unweighted total                   | <b>1156</b> | 552        | 604        | 138       | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135       | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | <b>1156</b> | 561        | 595        | 173       | 183        | 216        | 186        | 169        | 117        | 111       | 356        | 402        | 398          | 310        | 333        | 241        | 272        | 642        | 514        | 387        | 411        | 358            | 306                   | 681                            | 169         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>  | <b>391</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>98</b> | <b>145</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b> | <b>236</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>222</b> | <b>401</b> | <b>413</b> | <b>312</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| For their own personal gain        | <b>363</b>  | 187        | 176        | 56        | 56         | 83         | 56         | 42         | 37         | 35        | 112        | 138        | 113          | 83         | 90         | 91         | 99         | 173        | 190        | 145        | 109        | 109            | 104                   | 202                            | 56          | 372         |
|                                    | <b>31%</b>  | 33%        | 30%        | 32%       | 30%        | 38%        | 30%        | 25%        | 31%        | 31%       | 31%        | 34%        | 28%          | 27%        | 27%        | 38%        | 36%        | 27%        | 37%        | 37%        | 37%        | 31%            | 34%                   | 30%                            | 33%         | 32%         |
| To help people in their local area | <b>354</b>  | 166        | 188        | 58        | 69         | 61         | 61         | 55         | 28         | 22        | 127        | 122        | 105          | 98         | 103        | 83         | 71         | 200        | 153        | 120        | 132        | 102            | 94                    | 216                            | 44          | 343         |
|                                    | <b>31%</b>  | 30%        | 32%        | 34%       | 37%        | 28%        | 33%        | 32%        | 24%        | 19%       | 36%        | 30%        | 26%          | 32%        | 31%        | 34%        | 26%        | 31%        | 30%        | 31%        | 32%        | 29%            | 31%                   | 32%                            | 26%         | 30%         |
| To help the country as a whole     | <b>197</b>  | 97         | 100        | 30        | 26         | 34         | 28         | 31         | 29         | 20        | 55         | 61         | 80           | 59         | 62         | 30         | 46         | 121        | 76         | 56         | 79         | 62             | 45                    | 121                            | 30          | 198         |
|                                    | <b>17%</b>  | 17%        | 17%        | 17%       | 14%        | 16%        | 15%        | 18%        | 25%        | 18%       | 16%        | 15%        | 20%          | 19%        | 19%        | 12%        | 17%        | 19%        | 15%        | 14%        | 19%        | 17%            | 15%                   | 18%                            | 18%         | 17%         |
| To help their political party      | <b>187</b>  | 88         | 99         | 21        | 23         | 32         | 36         | 39         | 19         | 17        | 43         | 69         | 75           | 67         | 54         | 28         | 38         | 121        | 66         | 58         | 59         | 70             | 46                    | 119                            | 22          | 189         |
|                                    | <b>16%</b>  | 16%        | 17%        | 12%       | 12%        | 15%        | 20%        | 23%        | 16%        | 15%       | 12%        | 17%        | 19%          | 22%        | 16%        | 12%        | 14%        | 19%        | 13%        | 15%        | 14%        | 19%            | 15%                   | 17%                            | 13%         | 16%         |
| None of these                      | <b>56</b>   | 23         | 33         | 9         | 11         | 6          | 4          | 3          | 4          | 18        | 19         | 11         | 26           | 2          | 24         | 10         | 19         | 27         | 29         | 8          | 33         | 15             | 17                    | 22                             | 17          | 54          |
|                                    | <b>5%</b>   | 4%         | 5%         | 5%        | 6%         | 3%         | 2%         | 2%         | 4%         | 16%       | 5%         | 3%         | 6%           | 1%         | 7%         | 4%         | 7%         | 4%         | 6%         | 2%         | 8%         | 4%             | 6%                    | 3%                             | 10%         | 5%          |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 241

**Q.25a In general, what do you think motivates most people who try to become MPs? Which of the following is the first most important?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity  |            | GO Region  |           |           |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           | Unwtd total |            |             |
|------------------------------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|                                    | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME        | South East | Eastern   | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland   |             |
| Unweighted total                   | <b>1156</b>    | 425        | 109         | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548                    | 318               | 183                          | 258              | 274        | 1007       | 146        | 116       | 102       | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68        | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | <b>1156</b>    | 520        | 109         | 527                   | 372        | 287                  | 253        | 423        | 522                    | 320               | 213                          | 287              | 219        | 1054       | 100        | 162       | 110       | 147        | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101        | 134        | 51        | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b> | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b>             | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b> | <b>703</b> | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b> | <b>72</b> | <b>86</b>  | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b> | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| For their own personal gain        | <b>363</b>     | 171        | 26          | 166                   | 127        | 91                   | 59         | 147        | 170                    | 102               | 75                           | 69               | 73         | 325        | 38         | 47        | 33        | 37         | 25            | 39            | 19                       | 43         | 54         | 17        | 18          | 31         | 372         |
|                                    | <b>31%</b>     | 33%        | 24%         | 32%                   | 34%        | 32%                  | 23%        | 35%        | 33%                    | 32%               | 35%                          | 24%              | 33%        | 31%        | 38%        | 29%       | 31%       | 25%        | 24%           | 37%           | 22%                      | 43%        | 40%        | 34%       | 32%         | 31%        | 32%         |
| To help people in their local area | <b>354</b>     | 178        | 39          | 137                   | 119        | 86                   | 78         | 126        | 160                    | 104               | 71                           | 90               | 58         | 335        | 18         | 56        | 40        | 38         | 37            | 26            | 18                       | 25         | 39         | 19        | 18          | 37         | 343         |
|                                    | <b>31%</b>     | 34%        | 35%         | 26%                   | 32%        | 30%                  | 31%        | 30%        | 31%                    | 33%               | 33%                          | 32%              | 26%        | 32%        | 18%        | 35%       | 37%       | 26%        | 36%           | 25%           | 21%                      | 25%        | 29%        | 37%       | 31%         | 37%        | 30%         |
| To help the country as a whole     | <b>197</b>     | 74         | 19          | 103                   | 58         | 47                   | 61         | 69         | 80                     | 58                | 33                           | 60               | 29         | 179        | 17         | 32        | 25        | 25         | 22            | 12            | 17                       | 21         | 11         | 6         | 9           | 17         | 198         |
|                                    | <b>17%</b>     | 14%        | 18%         | 20%                   | 16%        | 16%                  | 24%        | 16%        | 15%                    | 18%               | 16%                          | 21%              | 13%        | 17%        | 17%        | 20%       | 23%       | 17%        | 21%           | 11%           | 20%                      | 21%        | 9%         | 12%       | 15%         | 16%        | 17%         |
| To help their political party      | <b>187</b>     | 79         | 20          | 88                    | 56         | 47                   | 43         | 61         | 85                     | 50                | 28                           | 55               | 33         | 172        | 15         | 20        | 9         | 21         | 18            | 24            | 25                       | 11         | 24         | 8         | 11          | 15         | 189         |
|                                    | <b>16%</b>     | 15%        | 18%         | 17%                   | 15%        | 16%                  | 17%        | 14%        | 16%                    | 15%               | 13%                          | 19%              | 15%        | 16%        | 15%        | 12%       | 8%        | 14%        | 17%           | 23%           | 29%                      | 11%        | 18%        | 15%       | 20%         | 15%        | 16%         |
| None of these                      | <b>56</b>      | 18         | 5           | 33                    | 11         | 16                   | 11         | 20         | 26                     | 7                 | 5                            | 12               | 26         | 43         | 12         | 7         | 2         | 25         | 1             | 4             | 8                        | -          | 5          | 1         | 1           | 2          | 54          |
|                                    | <b>5%</b>      | 3%         | 5%          | 6%                    | 3%         | 6%                   | 5%         | 5%         | 5%                     | 2%                | 3%                           | 4%               | 12%        | 4%         | 12%        | 4%        | 2%        | 17%        | 1%            | 4%            | 9%                       | -          | 4%         | 3%        | 2%          | 5%         |             |

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**Q.25a In general, what do you think motivates most people who try to become MPs? Which of the following is the first most important?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Urbanity                 |            |           | Interest in politics |            | Likelihood to vote |            | Political activism |            | Opinion on present system |            | Knew local MP     |            | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|-----------|----------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|---------------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                    | Total                    | Urban      | Rural     | Mixed                | Interested | Not interested     | Certain to | Certain not to     | Activist   | Non-activist              | Works well | Needs improvement | Yes        |             | No          |
| Unweighted total                   | <b>1156</b>              | 773        | 145       | 238                  | 580        | 569                | 627        | 143                | 160        | 996                       | 327        | 783               | 495        | 661         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | <b>1156</b>              | 784        | 136       | 235                  | 611        | 539                | 619        | 140                | 180        | 976                       | 322        | 793               | 511        | 645         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b> | <b>97</b> | <b>170</b>           | <b>404</b> | <b>394</b>         | <b>430</b> | <b>96</b>          | <b>118</b> | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b> | <b>543</b>        | <b>339</b> | <b>464</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| For their own personal gain        | <b>363</b><br><b>31%</b> | 254<br>32% | 33<br>24% | 76<br>32%            | 168<br>28% | 193<br>36%         | 171<br>28% | 53<br>38%          | 48<br>27%  | 315<br>32%                | 78<br>24%  | 279<br>35%        | 142<br>28% | 221<br>34%  | 372<br>32%  |
| To help people in their local area | <b>354</b><br><b>31%</b> | 236<br>30% | 48<br>35% | 70<br>30%            | 180<br>29% | 173<br>32%         | 196<br>32% | 44<br>32%          | 49<br>27%  | 305<br>31%                | 90<br>28%  | 257<br>32%        | 154<br>30% | 199<br>31%  | 343<br>30%  |
| To help the country as a whole     | <b>197</b><br><b>17%</b> | 120<br>15% | 34<br>25% | 42<br>18%            | 122<br>20% | 73<br>13%          | 118<br>19% | 21<br>15%          | 46<br>26%  | 151<br>15%                | 73<br>23%  | 119<br>15%        | 93<br>18%  | 103<br>16%  | 198<br>17%  |
| To help their political party      | <b>187</b><br><b>16%</b> | 132<br>17% | 17<br>12% | 38<br>16%            | 112<br>18% | 74<br>14%          | 110<br>18% | 15<br>11%          | 33<br>18%  | 154<br>16%                | 64<br>20%  | 116<br>15%        | 92<br>18%  | 94<br>15%   | 189<br>16%  |
| None of these                      | <b>56</b><br><b>5%</b>   | 42<br>5%   | 4<br>3%   | 9<br>4%              | 28<br>5%   | 27<br>5%           | 23<br>4%   | 7<br>5%            | 4<br>2%    | 52<br>5%                  | 16<br>5%   | 22<br>3%          | 28<br>6%   | 28<br>4%    | 54<br>5%    |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
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Table 243

**Q.25a In general, what do you think motivates most people who try to become MPs? Which of the following is the first most important?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Quiz score               |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |            | Satisfaction with MPs in general |            | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |              | Unwtd total |                     |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|--|------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
|                                    | Total                    | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                           | Agree      | Disagree        | Use internet |             | Do not use internet |
| Unweighted total                   | <b>1156</b>              | 210        | 463        | 483                        | 459        | 183                              | 349        | 502                                    | 438        | 450             | 762          | 394         | 1156                |
| Weighted total                     | <b>1156</b>              | 187        | 470        | 499                        | 444        | 190                              | 336        | 515                                    | 427        | 474             | 826          | 330         | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>               | <b>150</b> | <b>310</b> | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b> | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b> | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b> | <b>302</b>      | <b>540</b>   | <b>269</b>  | <b>1156</b>         |
| For their own personal gain        | <b>363</b><br><b>31%</b> | 63<br>33%  | 167<br>35% | 134<br>27%                 | 100<br>22% | 89<br>47%                        | 81<br>24%  | 215<br>42%                             | 107<br>25% | 188<br>40%      | 247<br>30%   | 116<br>35%  | 372<br>32%          |
| To help people in their local area | <b>354</b><br><b>31%</b> | 45<br>24%  | 143<br>31% | 165<br>33%                 | 156<br>35% | 53<br>28%                        | 118<br>35% | 125<br>24%                             | 145<br>34% | 127<br>27%      | 267<br>32%   | 87<br>26%   | 343<br>30%          |
| To help the country as a whole     | <b>197</b><br><b>17%</b> | 28<br>15%  | 65<br>14%  | 104<br>21%                 | 82<br>19%  | 26<br>14%                        | 71<br>21%  | 78<br>15%                              | 93<br>22%  | 60<br>13%       | 151<br>18%   | 45<br>14%   | 198<br>17%          |
| To help their political party      | <b>187</b><br><b>16%</b> | 20<br>11%  | 82<br>17%  | 85<br>17%                  | 88<br>20%  | 18<br>10%                        | 56<br>17%  | 83<br>16%                              | 72<br>17%  | 87<br>18%       | 138<br>17%   | 49<br>15%   | 189<br>16%          |
| None of these                      | <b>56</b><br><b>5%</b>   | 31<br>17%  | 13<br>3%   | 12<br>2%                   | 18<br>4%   | 3<br>2%                          | 10<br>3%   | 14<br>3%                               | 11<br>3%   | 12<br>3%        | 23<br>3%     | 33<br>10%   | 54<br>5%            |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
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Table 244

**Q.25a In general, what do you think motivates most people who try to become MPs? Which of the following is the first most important?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                    | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |             |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156                  | 163                      | 351                     | 386         | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146             | 228                   | 62              | 93                     | 287               | 102         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | 1156                  | 175                      | 373                     | 396         | 387                   | 116                | 157                   | 159             | 191                   | 66              | 92                     | 277               | 99          | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>            | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>              | <b>263</b>  | <b>290</b>            | <b>72</b>          | <b>101</b>            | <b>92</b>       | <b>160</b>            | <b>49</b>       | <b>66</b>              | <b>209</b>        | <b>63</b>   | <b>1156</b> |
| For their own personal gain        | 363<br>31%            | 45<br>26%                | 109<br>29%              | 126<br>32%  | 128<br>33%            | 24<br>20%          | 39<br>25%             | 45<br>28%       | 65<br>34%             | 20<br>30%       | 30<br>33%              | 90<br>33%         | 51<br>51%   | 372<br>32%  |
| To help people in their local area | 354<br>31%            | 60<br>35%                | 118<br>32%              | 124<br>31%  | 111<br>29%            | 40<br>35%          | 52<br>33%             | 44<br>27%       | 48<br>25%             | 28<br>42%       | 29<br>31%              | 96<br>34%         | 18<br>19%   | 343<br>30%  |
| To help the country as a whole     | 197<br>17%            | 38<br>22%                | 66<br>18%               | 77<br>19%   | 54<br>14%             | 31<br>26%          | 36<br>23%             | 28<br>18%       | 29<br>15%             | 8<br>12%        | 11<br>12%              | 44<br>16%         | 11<br>12%   | 198<br>17%  |
| To help their political party      | 187<br>16%            | 26<br>15%                | 70<br>19%               | 56<br>14%   | 61<br>16%             | 18<br>16%          | 29<br>19%             | 37<br>23%       | 35<br>18%             | 8<br>12%        | 17<br>19%              | 36<br>13%         | 7<br>7%     | 189<br>16%  |
| None of these                      | 56<br>5%              | 6<br>3%                  | 9<br>3%                 | 14<br>4%    | 32<br>8%              | 3<br>2%            | 1<br>1%               | 6<br>4%         | 15<br>8%              | 3<br>5%         | 5<br>5%                | 12<br>4%          | 11<br>11%   | 54<br>5%    |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
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Table 245

**Q.25b In general, what do you think motivates most people who try to become MPs? Which of the following is the first/second most important?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Gender      |            | Age        |           |            |            |            |            |            |           |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                    | Male        | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34     | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34     | 35-54      | 55+        | AB           | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands  | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| Unweighted total                   | <b>1156</b> | 552        | 604        | 138       | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135       | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | <b>1156</b> | 561        | 595        | 173       | 183        | 216        | 186        | 169        | 117        | 111       | 356        | 402        | 398          | 310        | 333        | 241        | 272        | 642        | 514        | 387        | 411        | 358            | 306                   | 681                            | 169         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>  | <b>391</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>98</b> | <b>145</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b> | <b>236</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>222</b> | <b>401</b> | <b>413</b> | <b>312</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| To help people in their local area | <b>645</b>  | 301        | 344        | 85        | 107        | 116        | 108        | 114        | 61         | 54        | 192        | 224        | 229          | 194        | 171        | 139        | 142        | 364        | 281        | 212        | 233        | 200            | 162                   | 397                            | 86          | 648         |
|                                    | <b>56%</b>  | 54%        | 58%        | 49%       | 58%        | 54%        | 58%        | 67%        | 52%        | 48%       | 54%        | 56%        | 58%          | 63%        | 51%        | 58%        | 52%        | 57%        | 55%        | 55%        | 57%        | 56%            | 53%                   | 58%                            | 51%         | 56%         |
| To help their political party      | <b>555</b>  | 279        | 276        | 78        | 85         | 107        | 102        | 82         | 58         | 42        | 163        | 209        | 183          | 159        | 165        | 111        | 120        | 324        | 231        | 184        | 199        | 171            | 137                   | 342                            | 75          | 547         |
|                                    | <b>48%</b>  | 50%        | 46%        | 45%       | 46%        | 49%        | 55%        | 49%        | 49%        | 38%       | 46%        | 52%        | 46%          | 51%        | 50%        | 46%        | 44%        | 50%        | 45%        | 48%        | 48%        | 48%            | 45%                   | 50%                            | 45%         | 47%         |
| For their own personal gain        | <b>522</b>  | 275        | 247        | 90        | 85         | 109        | 85         | 57         | 56         | 41        | 175        | 194        | 154          | 121        | 137        | 129        | 135        | 258        | 264        | 194        | 160        | 168            | 160                   | 293                            | 69          | 531         |
|                                    | <b>45%</b>  | 49%        | 42%        | 52%       | 46%        | 51%        | 46%        | 34%        | 47%        | 37%       | 49%        | 48%        | 39%          | 39%        | 41%        | 53%        | 50%        | 40%        | 51%        | 50%        | 39%        | 47%            | 52%                   | 43%                            | 41%         | 46%         |
| To help the country as a whole     | <b>444</b>  | 201        | 242        | 62        | 65         | 81         | 65         | 74         | 49         | 48        | 127        | 145        | 171          | 134        | 130        | 80         | 99         | 264        | 179        | 149        | 157        | 138            | 100                   | 275                            | 69          | 441         |
|                                    | <b>38%</b>  | 36%        | 41%        | 36%       | 35%        | 37%        | 35%        | 44%        | 41%        | 43%       | 36%        | 36%        | 43%          | 43%        | 39%        | 33%        | 36%        | 41%        | 35%        | 38%        | 38%        | 39%            | 33%                   | 40%                            | 41%         | 38%         |
| None of these                      | <b>56</b>   | 23         | 33         | 9         | 11         | 6          | 4          | 3          | 4          | 18        | 19         | 11         | 26           | 2          | 24         | 10         | 19         | 27         | 29         | 8          | 33         | 15             | 17                    | 22                             | 17          | 54          |
|                                    | <b>5%</b>   | 4%         | 5%         | 5%        | 6%         | 3%         | 2%         | 2%         | 4%         | 16%       | 5%         | 3%         | 6%           | 1%         | 7%         | 4%         | 7%         | 4%         | 6%         | 2%         | 8%         | 4%             | 6%                    | 3%                             | 10%         | 5%          |

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Table 246

**Q.25b In general, what do you think motivates most people who try to become MPs? Which of the following is the first/second most important?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education                      |                         |  |                        | Ethnicity  |            | GO Region  |           |           |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           | Unwtd total |            |             |
|------------------------------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|--|------------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|                                    | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/<br>CSE/<br>NVQ12 | A-Level<br>or<br>equiv. | Degree/<br>Masters/<br>/PhD or<br>equiv. | No<br>formal<br>quals. | White      | BME        | South East | Eastern   | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland   |             |
| Unweighted total                   | <b>1156</b>    | 425        | 109         | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548                            | 318                     | 183                                      | 258                    | 274        | 1007       | 146        | 116       | 102       | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68        | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | <b>1156</b>    | 520        | 109         | 527                   | 372        | 287                  | 253        | 423        | 522                            | 320                     | 213                                      | 287                    | 219        | 1054       | 100        | 162       | 110       | 147        | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101        | 134        | 51        | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b> | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b>                     | <b>224</b>              | <b>123</b>                               | <b>188</b>             | <b>201</b> | <b>703</b> | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b> | <b>72</b> | <b>86</b>  | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b> | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| To help people in their local area | <b>645</b>     | 304        | 57          | 285                   | 216        | 156                  | 154        | 238        | 280                            | 177                     | 117                                      | 177                    | 113        | 597        | 48         | 103       | 71        | 69         | 61            | 48            | 48                       | 51         | 67         | 29        | 33          | 65         | 648         |
|                                    | <b>56%</b>     | 58%        | 52%         | 54%                   | 58%        | 54%                  | 61%        | 56%        | 54%                            | 55%                     | 55%                                      | 62%                    | 51%        | 57%        | 48%        | 63%       | 64%       | 47%        | 59%           | 47%           | 56%                      | 50%        | 50%        | 58%       | 57%         | 64%        | 56%         |
| To help their political party      | <b>555</b>     | 260        | 57          | 238                   | 184        | 131                  | 117        | 187        | 268                            | 159                     | 110                                      | 143                    | 81         | 512        | 42         | 72        | 34        | 62         | 65            | 50            | 59                       | 51         | 67         | 22        | 28          | 45         | 547         |
|                                    | <b>48%</b>     | 50%        | 52%         | 45%                   | 50%        | 46%                  | 46%        | 44%        | 51%                            | 50%                     | 52%                                      | 50%                    | 37%        | 49%        | 42%        | 45%       | 31%       | 42%        | 63%           | 49%           | 68%                      | 50%        | 50%        | 42%       | 48%         | 44%        | 47%         |
| For their own personal gain        | <b>522</b>     | 241        | 41          | 240                   | 182        | 129                  | 86         | 215        | 238                            | 159                     | 101                                      | 101                    | 102        | 471        | 51         | 61        | 56        | 62         | 37            | 57            | 24                       | 54         | 75         | 26        | 31          | 39         | 531         |
|                                    | <b>45%</b>     | 46%        | 38%         | 46%                   | 49%        | 45%                  | 34%        | 51%        | 46%                            | 50%                     | 48%                                      | 35%                    | 46%        | 45%        | 51%        | 38%       | 51%       | 42%        | 36%           | 55%           | 28%                      | 54%        | 56%        | 51%       | 54%         | 39%        | 46%         |
| To help the country as a whole     | <b>444</b>     | 189        | 52          | 202                   | 127        | 113                  | 120        | 156        | 188                            | 121                     | 80                                       | 125                    | 83         | 411        | 32         | 66        | 49        | 50         | 41            | 42            | 26                       | 44         | 42         | 18        | 21          | 46         | 441         |
|                                    | <b>38%</b>     | 36%        | 48%         | 38%                   | 34%        | 39%                  | 47%        | 37%        | 36%                            | 38%                     | 37%                                      | 43%                    | 38%        | 39%        | 32%        | 41%       | 45%       | 34%        | 40%           | 41%           | 30%                      | 44%        | 31%        | 35%       | 36%         | 45%        | 38%         |
| None of these                      | <b>56</b>      | 18         | 5           | 33                    | 11         | 16                   | 11         | 20         | 26                             | 7                       | 5  | 12                     | 26         | 43         | 12         | 7         | 2         | 25         | 1             | 4             | 8                        | -          | 5          | 1         | 1           | 2          | 54          |
|                                    | <b>5%</b>      | 3%         | 5%          | 6%                    | 3%         | 6%                   | 5%         | 5%         | 5%                             | 2%                      | 3%                                       | 4%                     | 12%        | 4%         | 12%        | 4%        | 2%        | 17%        | 1%            | 4%            | 9%                       | -          | 4%         | 3%        | 2%          | 5%         |             |

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Table 247

**Q.25b In general, what do you think motivates most people who try to become MPs? Which of the following is the first/second most important?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Urbanity                 |            |           | Interest in politics |            | Likelihood to vote |            | Political activism |            | Opinion on present system |            | Knew local MP     |            | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|-----------|----------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|---------------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                    | Total                    | Urban      | Rural     | Mixed                | Interested | Not interested     | Certain to | Certain not to     | Activist   | Non-activist              | Works well | Needs improvement | Yes        |             | No          |
| Unweighted total                   | <b>1156</b>              | 773        | 145       | 238                  | 580        | 569                | 627        | 143                | 160        | 996                       | 327        | 783               | 495        | 661         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | <b>1156</b>              | 784        | 136       | 235                  | 611        | 539                | 619        | 140                | 180        | 976                       | 322        | 793               | 511        | 645         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b> | <b>97</b> | <b>170</b>           | <b>404</b> | <b>394</b>         | <b>430</b> | <b>96</b>          | <b>118</b> | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b> | <b>543</b>        | <b>339</b> | <b>464</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| To help people in their local area | <b>645</b><br><b>56%</b> | 434<br>55% | 89<br>65% | 123<br>52%           | 351<br>57% | 291<br>54%         | 377<br>61% | 75<br>54%          | 105<br>59% | 540<br>55%                | 189<br>59% | 443<br>56%        | 303<br>59% | 342<br>53%  | 648<br>56%  |
| To help their political party      | <b>555</b><br><b>48%</b> | 391<br>50% | 51<br>38% | 113<br>48%           | 305<br>50% | 248<br>46%         | 313<br>51% | 47<br>34%          | 101<br>56% | 454<br>46%                | 157<br>49% | 389<br>49%        | 253<br>50% | 302<br>47%  | 547<br>47%  |
| For their own personal gain        | <b>522</b><br><b>45%</b> | 352<br>45% | 53<br>39% | 117<br>50%           | 254<br>42% | 266<br>49%         | 239<br>39% | 88<br>63%          | 68<br>38%  | 454<br>47%                | 117<br>36% | 395<br>50%        | 199<br>39% | 323<br>50%  | 531<br>46%  |
| To help the country as a whole     | <b>444</b><br><b>38%</b> | 289<br>37% | 65<br>48% | 90<br>38%            | 251<br>41% | 190<br>35%         | 254<br>41% | 44<br>31%          | 75<br>42%  | 369<br>38%                | 142<br>44% | 290<br>37%        | 202<br>39% | 242<br>37%  | 441<br>38%  |
| None of these                      | <b>56</b><br><b>5%</b>   | 42<br>5%   | 4<br>3%   | 9<br>4%              | 28<br>5%   | 27<br>5%           | 23<br>4%   | 7<br>5%            | 4<br>2%    | 52<br>5%                  | 16<br>5%   | 22<br>3%          | 28<br>6%   | 28<br>4%    | 54<br>5%    |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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Table 248

**Q.25b In general, what do you think motivates most people who try to become MPs? Which of the following is the first/second most important?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Quiz score               |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |            | Satisfaction with MPs in general |            | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |              | Unwtd total |                     |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|--|------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
|                                    | Total                    | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                           | Agree      | Disagree        | Use internet |             | Do not use internet |
| Unweighted total                   | <b>1156</b>              | 210        | 463        | 483                        | 459        | 183                              | 349        | 502                                    | 438        | 450             | 762          | 394         | 1156                |
| Weighted total                     | <b>1156</b>              | 187        | 470        | 499                        | 444        | 190                              | 336        | 515                                    | 427        | 474             | 826          | 330         | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>               | <b>150</b> | <b>310</b> | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b> | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b> | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b> | <b>302</b>      | <b>540</b>   | <b>269</b>  | <b>1156</b>         |
| To help people in their local area | <b>645</b><br><b>56%</b> | 94<br>50%  | 251<br>53% | 301<br>60%                 | 288<br>65% | 90<br>47%                        | 215<br>64% | 246<br>48%                             | 277<br>65% | 228<br>48%      | 481<br>58%   | 165<br>50%  | 648<br>56%          |
| To help their political party      | <b>555</b><br><b>48%</b> | 62<br>33%  | 227<br>48% | 266<br>53%                 | 211<br>48% | 104<br>55%                       | 155<br>46% | 277<br>54%                             | 187<br>44% | 266<br>56%      | 402<br>49%   | 152<br>46%  | 547<br>47%          |
| For their own personal gain        | <b>522</b><br><b>45%</b> | 85<br>45%  | 243<br>52% | 194<br>39%                 | 161<br>36% | 117<br>62%                       | 123<br>37% | 289<br>56%                             | 166<br>39% | 270<br>57%      | 365<br>44%   | 157<br>48%  | 531<br>46%          |
| To help the country as a whole     | <b>444</b><br><b>38%</b> | 62<br>33%  | 171<br>37% | 210<br>42%                 | 188<br>42% | 59<br>31%                        | 156<br>46% | 170<br>33%                             | 193<br>45% | 141<br>30%      | 333<br>40%   | 111<br>34%  | 441<br>38%          |
| None of these                      | <b>56</b><br><b>5%</b>   | 31<br>17%  | 13<br>3%   | 12<br>2%                   | 18<br>4%   | 3<br>2%                          | 10<br>3%   | 14<br>3%                               | 11<br>3%   | 12<br>3%        | 23<br>3%     | 33<br>10%   | 54<br>5%            |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
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Table 249

**Q.25b In general, what do you think motivates most people who try to become MPs? Which of the following is the first/second most important?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                    | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |             |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156                  | 163                      | 351                     | 386         | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146             | 228                   | 62              | 93                     | 287               | 102         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | 1156                  | 175                      | 373                     | 396         | 387                   | 116                | 157                   | 159             | 191                   | 66              | 92                     | 277               | 99          | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>            | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>              | <b>263</b>  | <b>290</b>            | <b>72</b>          | <b>101</b>            | <b>92</b>       | <b>160</b>            | <b>49</b>       | <b>66</b>              | <b>209</b>        | <b>63</b>   | <b>1156</b> |
| To help people in their local area | 645<br>56%            | 100<br>57%               | 208<br>56%              | 229<br>58%  | 208<br>54%            | 78<br>67%          | 95<br>61%             | 88<br>55%       | 107<br>56%            | 38<br>58%       | 50<br>54%              | 149<br>54%        | 41<br>41%   | 648<br>56%  |
| To help their political party      | 555<br>48%            | 85<br>48%                | 191<br>51%              | 189<br>48%  | 175<br>45%            | 57<br>49%          | 93<br>59%             | 80<br>50%       | 87<br>46%             | 38<br>57%       | 45<br>49%              | 118<br>42%        | 37<br>38%   | 547<br>47%  |
| For their own personal gain        | 522<br>45%            | 67<br>38%                | 154<br>41%              | 175<br>44%  | 193<br>50%            | 38<br>33%          | 61<br>39%             | 63<br>39%       | 85<br>45%             | 26<br>40%       | 44<br>48%              | 139<br>50%        | 65<br>66%   | 531<br>46%  |
| To help the country as a whole     | 444<br>38%            | 75<br>43%                | 159<br>43%              | 158<br>40%  | 127<br>33%            | 53<br>46%          | 62<br>39%             | 74<br>46%       | 67<br>35%             | 23<br>35%       | 35<br>38%              | 108<br>39%        | 22<br>22%   | 441<br>38%  |
| None of these                      | 56<br>5%              | 6<br>3%                  | 9<br>3%                 | 14<br>4%    | 32<br>8%              | 3<br>2%            | 1<br>1%               | 6<br>4%         | 15<br>8%              | 3<br>5%         | 5<br>5%                | 12<br>4%          | 11<br>11%   | 54<br>5%    |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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Table 250

**Q.25c In general, what do you think motivates most people who try to become MPs? Which of the following is the first/second/third most important?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Gender      |            | Age        |           |            |            |            |            |            |           |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                    | Male        | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34     | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34     | 35-54      | 55+        | AB           | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands  | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| Unweighted total                   | <b>1156</b> | 552        | 604        | 138       | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135       | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | <b>1156</b> | 561        | 595        | 173       | 183        | 216        | 186        | 169        | 117        | 111       | 356        | 402        | 398          | 310        | 333        | 241        | 272        | 642        | 514        | 387        | 411        | 358            | 306                   | 681                            | 169         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>  | <b>391</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>98</b> | <b>145</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b> | <b>236</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>222</b> | <b>401</b> | <b>413</b> | <b>312</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| To help people in their local area | <b>898</b>  | 432        | 466        | 123       | 145        | 165        | 155        | 142        | 87         | 81        | 268        | 320        | 310          | 266        | 244        | 192        | 195        | 510        | 388        | 295        | 311        | 292            | 221                   | 551                            | 125         | 890         |
|                                    | <b>78%</b>  | 77%        | 78%        | 71%       | 79%        | 77%        | 83%        | 84%        | 74%        | 72%       | 75%        | 80%        | 78%          | 86%        | 73%        | 80%        | 72%        | 79%        | 76%        | 76%        | 76%        | 82%            | 72%                   | 81%                            | 74%         | 77%         |
| To help their political party      | <b>865</b>  | 425        | 439        | 117       | 129        | 163        | 146        | 143        | 96         | 71        | 246        | 309        | 310          | 248        | 242        | 180        | 195        | 490        | 375        | 283        | 315        | 266            | 215                   | 529                            | 121         | 870         |
|                                    | <b>75%</b>  | 76%        | 74%        | 68%       | 70%        | 75%        | 79%        | 84%        | 82%        | 63%       | 69%        | 77%        | 78%          | 80%        | 73%        | 75%        | 72%        | 76%        | 73%        | 73%        | 77%        | 74%            | 70%                   | 78%                            | 71%         | 75%         |
| To help the country as a whole     | <b>746</b>  | 357        | 389        | 111       | 110        | 132        | 128        | 110        | 81         | 75        | 220        | 260        | 266          | 220        | 217        | 144        | 165        | 437        | 310        | 256        | 278        | 212            | 186                   | 451                            | 110         | 747         |
|                                    | <b>65%</b>  | 64%        | 65%        | 64%       | 60%        | 61%        | 69%        | 65%        | 69%        | 68%       | 62%        | 65%        | 67%          | 71%        | 65%        | 60%        | 61%        | 68%        | 60%        | 66%        | 68%        | 59%            | 61%                   | 66%                            | 65%         | 65%         |
| For their own personal gain        | <b>692</b>  | 350        | 342        | 113       | 120        | 147        | 108        | 90         | 66         | 47        | 233        | 255        | 204          | 165        | 184        | 163        | 180        | 349        | 342        | 258        | 206        | 228            | 200                   | 408                            | 84          | 695         |
|                                    | <b>60%</b>  | 62%        | 57%        | 65%       | 65%        | 68%        | 58%        | 53%        | 56%        | 42%       | 65%        | 64%        | 51%          | 53%        | 55%        | 67%        | 66%        | 54%        | 67%        | 67%        | 50%        | 64%            | 65%                   | 60%                            | 50%         | 60%         |
| None of these                      | <b>56</b>   | 23         | 33         | 9         | 11         | 6          | 4          | 3          | 4          | 18        | 19         | 11         | 26           | 2          | 24         | 10         | 19         | 27         | 29         | 8          | 33         | 15             | 17                    | 22                             | 17          | 54          |
|                                    | <b>5%</b>   | 4%         | 5%         | 5%        | 6%         | 3%         | 2%         | 2%         | 4%         | 16%       | 5%         | 3%         | 6%           | 1%         | 7%         | 4%         | 7%         | 4%         | 6%         | 2%         | 8%         | 4%             | 6%                    | 3%                             | 10%         | 5%          |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
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Table 251

**Q.25c In general, what do you think motivates most people who try to become MPs? Which of the following is the first/second/third most important?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity  |            | GO Region  |           |           |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           | Unwtd total |            |             |
|------------------------------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|                                    | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME        | South East | Eastern   | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland   |             |
| Unweighted total                   | <b>1156</b>    | 425        | 109         | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548                    | 318               | 183                          | 258              | 274        | 1007       | 146        | 116       | 102       | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68        | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | <b>1156</b>    | 520        | 109         | 527                   | 372        | 287                  | 253        | 423        | 522                    | 320               | 213                          | 287              | 219        | 1054       | 100        | 162       | 110       | 147        | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101        | 134        | 51        | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b> | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b>             | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b> | <b>703</b> | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b> | <b>72</b> | <b>86</b>  | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b> | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| To help people in their local area | <b>898</b>     | 413        | 87          | 398                   | 291        | 216                  | 207        | 324        | 401                    | 244               | 168                          | 241              | 154        | 830        | 67         | 132       | 93        | 94         | 85            | 79            | 75                       | 73         | 101        | 37        | 44          | 84         | 890         |
|                                    | <b>78%</b>     | 79%        | 80%         | 76%                   | 78%        | 75%                  | 82%        | 76%        | 77%                    | 76%               | 79%                          | 84%              | 70%        | 79%        | 67%        | 81%       | 85%       | 64%        | 83%           | 76%           | 87%                      | 73%        | 76%        | 72%       | 77%         | 82%        | 77%         |
| To help their political party      | <b>865</b>     | 394        | 86          | 384                   | 273        | 218                  | 187        | 308        | 399                    | 244               | 163                          | 220              | 147        | 796        | 67         | 123       | 75        | 101        | 91            | 81            | 67                       | 70         | 98         | 39        | 43          | 76         | 870         |
|                                    | <b>75%</b>     | 76%        | 79%         | 73%                   | 73%        | 76%                  | 74%        | 73%        | 77%                    | 76%               | 76%                          | 77%              | 67%        | 75%        | 67%        | 76%       | 68%       | 69%        | 88%           | 78%           | 77%                      | 70%        | 73%        | 76%       | 75%         | 75%        | 75%         |
| To help the country as a whole     | <b>746</b>     | 331        | 76          | 339                   | 230        | 177                  | 185        | 265        | 329                    | 213               | 135                          | 203              | 130        | 690        | 56         | 104       | 71        | 94         | 79            | 63            | 39                       | 78         | 77         | 30        | 40          | 71         | 747         |
|                                    | <b>65%</b>     | 64%        | 69%         | 64%                   | 62%        | 62%                  | 73%        | 63%        | 63%                    | 67%               | 63%                          | 71%              | 59%        | 65%        | 56%        | 65%       | 64%       | 64%        | 77%           | 60%           | 46%                      | 77%        | 58%        | 59%       | 68%         | 70%        | 65%         |
| For their own personal gain        | <b>692</b>     | 332        | 59          | 301                   | 252        | 172                  | 128        | 277        | 308                    | 208               | 135                          | 148              | 127        | 625        | 66         | 88        | 70        | 69         | 49            | 67            | 51                       | 75         | 93         | 32        | 39          | 57         | 695         |
|                                    | <b>60%</b>     | 64%        | 54%         | 57%                   | 68%        | 60%                  | 51%        | 66%        | 59%                    | 65%               | 63%                          | 52%              | 58%        | 59%        | 66%        | 54%       | 64%       | 47%        | 48%           | 65%           | 59%                      | 75%        | 69%        | 63%       | 68%         | 56%        | 60%         |
| None of these                      | <b>56</b>      | 18         | 5           | 33                    | 11         | 16                   | 11         | 20         | 26                     | 7                 | 5                            | 12               | 26         | 43         | 12         | 7         | 2         | 25         | 1             | 4             | 8                        | -          | 5          | 1         | 1           | 2          | 54          |
|                                    | <b>5%</b>      | 3%         | 5%          | 6%                    | 3%         | 6%                   | 5%         | 5%         | 5%                     | 2%                | 3%                           | 4%               | 12%        | 4%         | 12%        | 4%        | 2%        | 17%        | 1%            | 4%            | 9%                       | -          | 4%         | 3%        | 2%          | 5%         |             |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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Table 252

**Q.25c In general, what do you think motivates most people who try to become MPs? Which of the following is the first/second/third most important?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Urbanity                 |            |            | Interest in politics |            | Likelihood to vote |            | Political activism |            | Opinion on present system |            | Knew local MP     |            | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|----------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|---------------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                    | Total                    | Urban      | Rural      | Mixed                | Interested | Not interested     | Certain to | Certain not to     | Activist   | Non-activist              | Works well | Needs improvement | Yes        |             | No          |
| Unweighted total                   | <b>1156</b>              | 773        | 145        | 238                  | 580        | 569                | 627        | 143                | 160        | 996                       | 327        | 783               | 495        | 661         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | <b>1156</b>              | 784        | 136        | 235                  | 611        | 539                | 619        | 140                | 180        | 976                       | 322        | 793               | 511        | 645         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b> | <b>97</b>  | <b>170</b>           | <b>404</b> | <b>394</b>         | <b>430</b> | <b>96</b>          | <b>118</b> | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b> | <b>543</b>        | <b>339</b> | <b>464</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| To help people in their local area | <b>898</b><br><b>78%</b> | 609<br>78% | 113<br>83% | 176<br>75%           | 496<br>81% | 398<br>74%         | 517<br>84% | 101<br>72%         | 152<br>85% | 746<br>76%                | 256<br>80% | 624<br>79%        | 403<br>79% | 495<br>77%  | 890<br>77%  |
| To help their political party      | <b>865</b><br><b>75%</b> | 592<br>75% | 92<br>68%  | 181<br>77%           | 469<br>77% | 391<br>73%         | 488<br>79% | 87<br>62%          | 150<br>83% | 715<br>73%                | 251<br>78% | 596<br>75%        | 404<br>79% | 461<br>71%  | 870<br>75%  |
| To help the country as a whole     | <b>746</b><br><b>65%</b> | 495<br>63% | 99<br>72%  | 153<br>65%           | 406<br>66% | 336<br>62%         | 424<br>69% | 81<br>58%          | 126<br>70% | 621<br>64%                | 232<br>72% | 500<br>63%        | 333<br>65% | 414<br>64%  | 747<br>65%  |
| For their own personal gain        | <b>692</b><br><b>60%</b> | 469<br>60% | 79<br>58%  | 144<br>61%           | 346<br>57% | 344<br>64%         | 328<br>53% | 105<br>75%         | 89<br>50%  | 603<br>62%                | 160<br>50% | 520<br>65%        | 280<br>55% | 412<br>64%  | 695<br>60%  |
| None of these                      | <b>56</b><br><b>5%</b>   | 42<br>5%   | 4<br>3%    | 9<br>4%              | 28<br>5%   | 27<br>5%           | 23<br>4%   | 7<br>5%            | 4<br>2%    | 52<br>5%                  | 16<br>5%   | 22<br>3%          | 28<br>6%   | 28<br>4%    | 54<br>5%    |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
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Table 253

**Q.25c In general, what do you think motivates most people who try to become MPs? Which of the following is the first/second/third most important?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Quiz score               |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |            | Satisfaction with MPs in general |            | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |              | Unwtd total |                     |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|--|------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
|                                    | Total                    | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                           | Agree      | Disagree        | Use internet |             | Do not use internet |
| Unweighted total                   | <b>1156</b>              | 210        | 463        | 483                        | 459        | 183                              | 349        | 502                                    | 438        | 450             | 762          | 394         | 1156                |
| Weighted total                     | <b>1156</b>              | 187        | 470        | 499                        | 444        | 190                              | 336        | 515                                    | 427        | 474             | 826          | 330         | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>               | <b>150</b> | <b>310</b> | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b> | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b> | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b> | <b>302</b>      | <b>540</b>   | <b>269</b>  | <b>1156</b>         |
| To help people in their local area | <b>898</b><br><b>78%</b> | 118<br>63% | 364<br>78% | 416<br>83%                 | 375<br>84% | 142<br>75%                       | 285<br>85% | 387<br>75%                             | 367<br>86% | 341<br>72%      | 658<br>80%   | 240<br>73%  | 890<br>77%          |
| To help their political party      | <b>865</b><br><b>75%</b> | 107<br>57% | 349<br>74% | 408<br>82%                 | 343<br>77% | 160<br>84%                       | 260<br>77% | 400<br>78%                             | 330<br>77% | 366<br>77%      | 628<br>76%   | 237<br>72%  | 870<br>75%          |
| To help the country as a whole     | <b>746</b><br><b>65%</b> | 109<br>58% | 294<br>63% | 343<br>69%                 | 315<br>71% | 107<br>56%                       | 251<br>75% | 296<br>58%                             | 306<br>72% | 282<br>59%      | 546<br>66%   | 200<br>61%  | 747<br>65%          |
| For their own personal gain        | <b>692</b><br><b>60%</b> | 111<br>59% | 307<br>65% | 274<br>55%                 | 232<br>52% | 135<br>71%                       | 170<br>51% | 362<br>70%                             | 222<br>52% | 341<br>72%      | 502<br>61%   | 190<br>58%  | 695<br>60%          |
| None of these                      | <b>56</b><br><b>5%</b>   | 31<br>17%  | 13<br>3%   | 12<br>2%                   | 18<br>4%   | 3<br>2%                          | 10<br>3%   | 14<br>3%                               | 11<br>3%   | 12<br>3%        | 23<br>3%     | 33<br>10%   | 54<br>5%            |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 254

**Q.25c In general, what do you think motivates most people who try to become MPs? Which of the following is the first/second/third most important?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                    | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |             |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156                  | 163                      | 351                     | 386         | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146             | 228                   | 62              | 93                     | 287               | 102         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | 1156                  | 175                      | 373                     | 396         | 387                   | 116                | 157                   | 159             | 191                   | 66              | 92                     | 277               | 99          | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>            | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>              | <b>263</b>  | <b>290</b>            | <b>72</b>          | <b>101</b>            | <b>92</b>       | <b>160</b>            | <b>49</b>       | <b>66</b>              | <b>209</b>        | <b>63</b>   | <b>1156</b> |
| To help people in their local area | 898<br>78%            | 140<br>80%               | 291<br>78%              | 313<br>79%  | 294<br>76%            | 102<br>88%         | 141<br>90%            | 131<br>83%      | 137<br>72%            | 54<br>81%       | 67<br>73%              | 209<br>75%        | 57<br>58%   | 890<br>77%  |
| To help their political party      | 865<br>75%            | 144<br>82%               | 306<br>82%              | 294<br>74%  | 264<br>68%            | 99<br>86%          | 120<br>77%            | 123<br>78%      | 148<br>78%            | 54<br>81%       | 72<br>79%              | 187<br>67%        | 61<br>62%   | 870<br>75%  |
| To help the country as a whole     | 746<br>65%            | 116<br>67%               | 248<br>67%              | 267<br>67%  | 231<br>60%            | 83<br>72%          | 115<br>73%            | 100<br>63%      | 122<br>64%            | 45<br>67%       | 56<br>61%              | 172<br>62%        | 53<br>54%   | 747<br>65%  |
| For their own personal gain        | 692<br>60%            | 80<br>46%                | 200<br>54%              | 235<br>59%  | 256<br>66%            | 54<br>47%          | 86<br>55%             | 96<br>60%       | 104<br>54%            | 34<br>52%       | 60<br>66%              | 188<br>68%        | 68<br>69%   | 695<br>60%  |
| None of these                      | 56<br>5%              | 6<br>3%                  | 9<br>3%                 | 14<br>4%    | 32<br>8%              | 3<br>2%            | 1<br>1%               | 6<br>4%         | 15<br>8%              | 3<br>5%         | 5<br>5%                | 12<br>4%          | 11<br>11%   | 54<br>5%    |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 255

**Q.26a In general, what do you think motivates most people who get involved in politics? Which of the following is the first most important.**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Gender      |            | Age        |           |            |            |            |            |            |           |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                    | Male        | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34     | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34     | 35-54      | 55+        | AB           | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands  | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| Unweighted total                   | <b>1156</b> | 552        | 604        | 138       | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135       | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | <b>1156</b> | 561        | 595        | 173       | 183        | 216        | 186        | 169        | 117        | 111       | 356        | 402        | 398          | 310        | 333        | 241        | 272        | 642        | 514        | 387        | 411        | 358            | 306                   | 681                            | 169         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>  | <b>391</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>98</b> | <b>145</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b> | <b>236</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>222</b> | <b>401</b> | <b>413</b> | <b>312</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| To help people in their local area | <b>377</b>  | 178        | 199        | 55        | 67         | 68         | 72         | 54         | 30         | 30        | 122        | 140        | 114          | 128        | 100        | 74         | 74         | 228        | 148        | 114        | 150        | 113            | 88                    | 242                            | 47          | 354         |
|                                    | <b>33%</b>  | 32%        | 33%        | 32%       | 37%        | 32%        | 39%        | 32%        | 26%        | 27%       | 34%        | 35%        | 29%          | 41%        | 30%        | 31%        | 27%        | 36%        | 29%        | 29%        | 36%        | 32%            | 29%                   | 35%                            | 28%         | 31%         |
| For their own personal gain        | <b>344</b>  | 194        | 151        | 50        | 63         | 74         | 60         | 33         | 39         | 27        | 113        | 133        | 99           | 56         | 101        | 80         | 108        | 157        | 188        | 133        | 103        | 108            | 107                   | 190                            | 47          | 366         |
|                                    | <b>30%</b>  | 35%        | 25%        | 29%       | 34%        | 34%        | 32%        | 19%        | 33%        | 25%       | 32%        | 33%        | 25%          | 18%        | 30%        | 33%        | 40%        | 24%        | 37%        | 34%        | 25%        | 30%            | 35%                   | 28%                            | 28%         | 32%         |
| To help the country as a whole     | <b>180</b>  | 80         | 100        | 34        | 26         | 29         | 31         | 25         | 18         | 17        | 60         | 60         | 60           | 51         | 54         | 38         | 37         | 105        | 75         | 76         | 55         | 49             | 48                    | 108                            | 24          | 184         |
|                                    | <b>16%</b>  | 14%        | 17%        | 20%       | 14%        | 14%        | 17%        | 15%        | 15%        | 15%       | 17%        | 15%        | 15%          | 16%        | 16%        | 16%        | 14%        | 16%        | 15%        | 20%        | 13%        | 14%            | 16%                   | 16%                            | 14%         | 16%         |
| To help their political party      | <b>176</b>  | 82         | 94         | 22        | 15         | 36         | 19         | 45         | 22         | 17        | 37         | 55         | 84           | 67         | 51         | 28         | 30         | 118        | 59         | 51         | 66         | 59             | 42                    | 105                            | 30          | 173         |
|                                    | <b>15%</b>  | 15%        | 16%        | 13%       | 8%         | 17%        | 10%        | 27%        | 19%        | 15%       | 10%        | 14%        | 21%          | 22%        | 15%        | 12%        | 11%        | 18%        | 11%        | 13%        | 16%        | 17%            | 14%                   | 15%                            | 18%         | 15%         |
| No answer                          | <b>78</b>   | 27         | 51         | 13        | 13         | 9          | 3          | 13         | 9          | 20        | 25         | 12         | 41           | 8          | 26         | 21         | 23         | 34         | 44         | 13         | 37         | 28             | 21                    | 37                             | 20          | 79          |
|                                    | <b>7%</b>   | 5%         | 9%         | 7%        | 7%         | 4%         | 2%         | 7%         | 7%         | 18%       | 7%         | 3%         | 10%          | 3%         | 8%         | 9%         | 8%         | 5%         | 9%         | 3%         | 9%         | 8%             | 7%                    | 5%                             | 12%         | 7%          |

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Table 256

**Q.26a In general, what do you think motivates most people who get involved in politics? Which of the following is the first most important.**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education                      |                   |                                       |                  | Ethnicity  |            | GO Region  |           |           |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           | Unwtd total |            |             |
|------------------------------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|                                    | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/<br>CSE/<br>NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/<br>Masters/<br>/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME        | South East | Eastern   | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland   |             |
| Unweighted total                   | <b>1156</b>    | 425        | 109         | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548                            | 318               | 183                                   | 258              | 274        | 1007       | 146        | 116       | 102       | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68        | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | <b>1156</b>    | 520        | 109         | 527                   | 372        | 287                  | 253        | 423        | 522                            | 320               | 213                                   | 287              | 219        | 1054       | 100        | 162       | 110       | 147        | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101        | 134        | 51        | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b> | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b>                     | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                            | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b> | <b>703</b> | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b> | <b>72</b> | <b>86</b>  | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b> | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| To help people in their local area | <b>377</b>     | 175        | 41          | 160                   | 131        | 93                   | 95         | 120        | 175                            | 91                | 68                                    | 122              | 56         | 355        | 21         | 65        | 41        | 38         | 47            | 35            | 26                       | 27         | 36         | 19        | 12          | 32         | 354         |
|                                    | <b>33%</b>     | 34%        | 38%         | 30%                   | 35%        | 32%                  | 38%        | 28%        | 34%                            | 28%               | 32%                                   | 43%              | 26%        | 34%        | 21%        | 40%       | 37%       | 26%        | 46%           | 33%           | 30%                      | 27%        | 27%        | 37%       | 20%         | 31%        | 31%         |
| For their own personal gain        | <b>344</b>     | 167        | 20          | 157                   | 116        | 90                   | 43         | 142        | 172                            | 118               | 63                                    | 53               | 76         | 303        | 40         | 35        | 30        | 42         | 26            | 37            | 17                       | 33         | 56         | 16        | 24          | 28         | 366         |
|                                    | <b>30%</b>     | 32%        | 19%         | 30%                   | 31%        | 31%                  | 17%        | 34%        | 33%                            | 37%               | 30%                                   | 18%              | 35%        | 29%        | 40%        | 22%       | 28%       | 29%        | 25%           | 36%           | 20%                      | 33%        | 42%        | 32%       | 42%         | 27%        | 32%         |
| To help the country as a whole     | <b>180</b>     | 73         | 15          | 93                    | 53         | 44                   | 51         | 67         | 71                             | 50                | 38                                    | 52               | 22         | 165        | 15         | 22        | 15        | 20         | 13            | 19            | 6                        | 21         | 22         | 11        | 10          | 23         | 184         |
|                                    | <b>16%</b>     | 14%        | 14%         | 18%                   | 14%        | 15%                  | 20%        | 16%        | 14%                            | 16%               | 18%                                   | 18%              | 10%        | 16%        | 15%        | 14%       | 13%       | 14%        | 12%           | 18%           | 7%                       | 21%        | 16%        | 21%       | 17%         | 22%        | 16%         |
| To help their political party      | <b>176</b>     | 79         | 27          | 71                    | 55         | 42                   | 55         | 63         | 64                             | 48                | 36                                    | 48               | 28         | 167        | 9          | 31        | 9         | 20         | 15            | 10            | 29                       | 19         | 13         | 4         | 11          | 16         | 173         |
|                                    | <b>15%</b>     | 15%        | 24%         | 13%                   | 15%        | 15%                  | 22%        | 15%        | 12%                            | 15%               | 17%                                   | 17%              | 13%        | 16%        | 9%         | 19%       | 9%        | 13%        | 15%           | 10%           | 34%                      | 19%        | 9%         | 7%        | 18%         | 16%        | 15%         |
| No answer                          | <b>78</b>      | 26         | 6           | 46                    | 18         | 18                   | 9          | 31         | 40                             | 13                | 8                                     | 12               | 37         | 64         | 14         | 9         | 15        | 26         | 2             | 3             | 8                        | 1          | 8          | 1         | 1           | 4          | 79          |
|                                    | <b>7%</b>      | 5%         | 5%          | 9%                    | 5%         | 6%                   | 3%         | 7%         | 8%                             | 4%                | 4%                                    | 4%               | 17%        | 6%         | 14%        | 6%        | 13%       | 18%        | 1%            | 3%            | 10%                      | 1%         | 6%         | 3%        | 3%          | 7%         |             |

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Table 257

**Q.26a In general, what do you think motivates most people who get involved in politics? Which of the following is the first most important.**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Urbanity                 |            |           | Interest in politics |            | Likelihood to vote |            | Political activism |            | Opinion on present system |            | Knew local MP     |            | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|-----------|----------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|---------------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                    | Total                    | Urban      | Rural     | Mixed                | Interested | Not interested     | Certain to | Certain not to     | Activist   | Non-activist              | Works well | Needs improvement | Yes        |             | No          |
| Unweighted total                   | <b>1156</b>              | 773        | 145       | 238                  | 580        | 569                | 627        | 143                | 160        | 996                       | 327        | 783               | 495        | 661         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | <b>1156</b>              | 784        | 136       | 235                  | 611        | 539                | 619        | 140                | 180        | 976                       | 322        | 793               | 511        | 645         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b> | <b>97</b> | <b>170</b>           | <b>404</b> | <b>394</b>         | <b>430</b> | <b>96</b>          | <b>118</b> | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b> | <b>543</b>        | <b>339</b> | <b>464</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| To help people in their local area | <b>377</b><br><b>33%</b> | 255<br>33% | 43<br>32% | 79<br>33%            | 235<br>38% | 142<br>26%         | 221<br>36% | 32<br>23%          | 81<br>45%  | 296<br>30%                | 113<br>35% | 256<br>32%        | 184<br>36% | 193<br>30%  | 354<br>31%  |
| For their own personal gain        | <b>344</b><br><b>30%</b> | 233<br>30% | 46<br>34% | 65<br>28%            | 130<br>21% | 212<br>39%         | 153<br>25% | 60<br>43%          | 31<br>17%  | 313<br>32%                | 64<br>20%  | 267<br>34%        | 124<br>24% | 221<br>34%  | 366<br>32%  |
| To help the country as a whole     | <b>180</b><br><b>16%</b> | 119<br>15% | 26<br>19% | 36<br>15%            | 111<br>18% | 67<br>12%          | 106<br>17% | 26<br>19%          | 41<br>23%  | 140<br>14%                | 64<br>20%  | 114<br>14%        | 77<br>15%  | 103<br>16%  | 184<br>16%  |
| To help their political party      | <b>176</b><br><b>15%</b> | 124<br>16% | 13<br>10% | 39<br>17%            | 101<br>17% | 75<br>14%          | 106<br>17% | 12<br>9%           | 21<br>11%  | 156<br>16%                | 57<br>18%  | 118<br>15%        | 93<br>18%  | 83<br>13%   | 173<br>15%  |
| No answer                          | <b>78</b><br><b>7%</b>   | 53<br>7%   | 8<br>6%   | 17<br>7%             | 35<br>6%   | 43<br>8%           | 33<br>5%   | 10<br>7%           | 6<br>4%    | 72<br>7%                  | 23<br>7%   | 39<br>5%          | 33<br>6%   | 45<br>7%    | 79<br>7%    |

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Table 258

**Q.26a In general, what do you think motivates most people who get involved in politics? Which of the following is the first most important.**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Quiz score               |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |            | Satisfaction with MPs in general |            | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |              | Unwtd total |                     |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|--|------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
|                                    | Total                    | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                           | Agree      | Disagree        | Use internet |             | Do not use internet |
| Unweighted total                   | <b>1156</b>              | 210        | 463        | 483                        | 459        | 183                              | 349        | 502                                    | 438        | 450             | 762          | 394         | 1156                |
| Weighted total                     | <b>1156</b>              | 187        | 470        | 499                        | 444        | 190                              | 336        | 515                                    | 427        | 474             | 826          | 330         | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>               | <b>150</b> | <b>310</b> | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b> | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b> | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b> | <b>302</b>      | <b>540</b>   | <b>269</b>  | <b>1156</b>         |
| To help people in their local area | <b>377</b><br><b>33%</b> | 36<br>19%  | 140<br>30% | 201<br>40%                 | 160<br>36% | 47<br>25%                        | 135<br>40% | 130<br>25%                             | 146<br>34% | 145<br>31%      | 299<br>36%   | 77<br>23%   | 354<br>31%          |
| For their own personal gain        | <b>344</b><br><b>30%</b> | 62<br>33%  | 162<br>35% | 121<br>24%                 | 97<br>22%  | 84<br>44%                        | 69<br>20%  | 211<br>41%                             | 113<br>27% | 169<br>36%      | 234<br>28%   | 111<br>34%  | 366<br>32%          |
| To help the country as a whole     | <b>180</b><br><b>16%</b> | 22<br>12%  | 73<br>15%  | 85<br>17%                  | 83<br>19%  | 26<br>14%                        | 60<br>18%  | 67<br>13%                              | 80<br>19%  | 57<br>12%       | 136<br>16%   | 45<br>14%   | 184<br>16%          |
| To help their political party      | <b>176</b><br><b>15%</b> | 30<br>16%  | 68<br>14%  | 78<br>16%                  | 78<br>18%  | 26<br>14%                        | 57<br>17%  | 79<br>15%                              | 66<br>15%  | 86<br>18%       | 121<br>15%   | 55<br>17%   | 173<br>15%          |
| No answer                          | <b>78</b><br><b>7%</b>   | 37<br>20%  | 27<br>6%   | 14<br>3%                   | 26<br>6%   | 7<br>4%                          | 16<br>5%   | 29<br>6%                               | 22<br>5%   | 18<br>4%        | 37<br>4%     | 42<br>13%   | 79<br>7%            |

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Table 259

**Q.26a In general, what do you think motivates most people who get involved in politics? Which of the following is the first most important.**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                    | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |             |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156                  | 163                      | 351                     | 386         | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146             | 228                   | 62              | 93                     | 287               | 102         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | 1156                  | 175                      | 373                     | 396         | 387                   | 116                | 157                   | 159             | 191                   | 66              | 92                     | 277               | 99          | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>            | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>              | <b>263</b>  | <b>290</b>            | <b>72</b>          | <b>101</b>            | <b>92</b>       | <b>160</b>            | <b>49</b>       | <b>66</b>              | <b>209</b>        | <b>63</b>   | <b>1156</b> |
| To help people in their local area | 377<br>33%            | 56<br>32%                | 137<br>37%              | 130<br>33%  | 110<br>28%            | 47<br>41%          | 72<br>46%             | 55<br>35%       | 48<br>25%             | 34<br>51%       | 27<br>30%              | 83<br>30%         | 11<br>11%   | 354<br>31%  |
| For their own personal gain        | 344<br>30%            | 52<br>30%                | 104<br>28%              | 113<br>28%  | 127<br>33%            | 15<br>13%          | 27<br>17%             | 42<br>26%       | 72<br>38%             | 16<br>24%       | 32<br>35%              | 88<br>32%         | 53<br>54%   | 366<br>32%  |
| To help the country as a whole     | 180<br>16%            | 29<br>17%                | 62<br>16%               | 65<br>16%   | 53<br>14%             | 30<br>26%          | 30<br>19%             | 22<br>14%       | 23<br>12%             | 8<br>12%        | 8<br>9%                | 44<br>16%         | 16<br>16%   | 184<br>16%  |
| To help their political party      | 176<br>15%            | 29<br>17%                | 54<br>15%               | 61<br>15%   | 61<br>16%             | 19<br>17%          | 26<br>17%             | 35<br>22%       | 28<br>15%             | 6<br>8%         | 18<br>19%              | 38<br>14%         | 7<br>7%     | 173<br>15%  |
| No answer                          | 78<br>7%              | 8<br>5%                  | 16<br>4%                | 28<br>7%    | 35<br>9%              | 4<br>3%            | 2<br>1%               | 6<br>4%         | 20<br>10%             | 3<br>5%         | 7<br>8%                | 24<br>9%          | 12<br>12%   | 79<br>7%    |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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Table 260

**Q.26b In general, what do you think motivates most people who get involved in politics? Which of the following is the first/second most important?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Gender      |            | Age        |           |            |            |            |            |            |           |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                    | Male        | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34     | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34     | 35-54      | 55+        | AB           | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands  | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| Unweighted total                   | <b>1156</b> | 552        | 604        | 138       | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135       | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | <b>1156</b> | 561        | 595        | 173       | 183        | 216        | 186        | 169        | 117        | 111       | 356        | 402        | 398          | 310        | 333        | 241        | 272        | 642        | 514        | 387        | 411        | 358            | 306                   | 681                            | 169         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>  | <b>391</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>98</b> | <b>145</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b> | <b>236</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>222</b> | <b>401</b> | <b>413</b> | <b>312</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| To help people in their local area | <b>709</b>  | 336        | 373        | 103       | 121        | 121        | 121        | 114        | 64         | 65        | 224        | 242        | 242          | 226        | 184        | 142        | 157        | 410        | 299        | 225        | 256        | 229            | 171                   | 448                            | 90          | 689         |
|                                    | <b>61%</b>  | 60%        | 63%        | 60%       | 66%        | 56%        | 65%        | 67%        | 54%        | 58%       | 63%        | 60%        | 61%          | 73%        | 55%        | 59%        | 58%        | 64%        | 58%        | 58%        | 62%        | 64%            | 56%                   | 66%                            | 53%         | 60%         |
| To help their political party      | <b>526</b>  | 255        | 271        | 57        | 72         | 112        | 96         | 86         | 60         | 44        | 129        | 207        | 190          | 172        | 145        | 99         | 111        | 316        | 210        | 180        | 187        | 160            | 125                   | 327                            | 74          | 517         |
|                                    | <b>46%</b>  | 45%        | 46%        | 33%       | 39%        | 52%        | 52%        | 51%        | 51%        | 39%       | 36%        | 52%        | 48%          | 56%        | 43%        | 41%        | 41%        | 49%        | 41%        | 46%        | 45%        | 45%            | 41%                   | 48%                            | 44%         | 45%         |
| For their own personal gain        | <b>477</b>  | 267        | 210        | 85        | 84         | 101        | 70         | 55         | 51         | 31        | 169        | 171        | 137          | 90         | 139        | 115        | 134        | 229        | 249        | 171        | 149        | 158            | 159                   | 258                            | 60          | 495         |
|                                    | <b>41%</b>  | 48%        | 35%        | 49%       | 46%        | 47%        | 38%        | 32%        | 44%        | 28%       | 48%        | 43%        | 34%          | 29%        | 42%        | 48%        | 49%        | 36%        | 48%        | 44%        | 36%        | 44%            | 52%                   | 38%                            | 35%         | 43%         |
| To help the country as a whole     | <b>406</b>  | 188        | 219        | 63        | 59         | 72         | 76         | 56         | 38         | 42        | 122        | 148        | 136          | 111        | 131        | 78         | 87         | 242        | 164        | 152        | 156        | 99             | 95                    | 243                            | 68          | 410         |
|                                    | <b>35%</b>  | 33%        | 37%        | 36%       | 32%        | 34%        | 41%        | 33%        | 33%        | 37%       | 34%        | 37%        | 34%          | 36%        | 39%        | 32%        | 32%        | 38%        | 32%        | 39%        | 38%        | 28%            | 31%                   | 36%                            | 40%         | 35%         |
| No answer                          | <b>78</b>   | 27         | 51         | 13        | 13         | 9          | 3          | 13         | 9          | 20        | 25         | 12         | 41           | 8          | 26         | 21         | 23         | 34         | 44         | 13         | 37         | 28             | 21                    | 37                             | 20          | 79          |
|                                    | <b>7%</b>   | 5%         | 9%         | 7%        | 7%         | 4%         | 2%         | 7%         | 7%         | 18%       | 7%         | 3%         | 10%          | 3%         | 8%         | 9%         | 8%         | 5%         | 9%         | 3%         | 9%         | 8%             | 7%                    | 5%                             | 12%         | 7%          |

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Table 261

**Q.26b In general, what do you think motivates most people who get involved in politics? Which of the following is the first/second most important?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity  |            | GO Region  |           |           |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           | Unwtd total |            |             |
|------------------------------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|                                    | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME        | South East | Eastern   | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland   |             |
| Unweighted total                   | <b>1156</b>    | 425        | 109         | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548                    | 318               | 183                          | 258              | 274        | 1007       | 146        | 116       | 102       | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68        | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | <b>1156</b>    | 520        | 109         | 527                   | 372        | 287                  | 253        | 423        | 522                    | 320               | 213                          | 287              | 219        | 1054       | 100        | 162       | 110       | 147        | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101        | 134        | 51        | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b> | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b>             | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b> | <b>703</b> | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b> | <b>72</b> | <b>86</b>  | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b> | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| To help people in their local area | <b>709</b>     | 322        | 72          | 315                   | 241        | 176                  | 186        | 251        | 303                    | 187               | 133                          | 204              | 115        | 661        | 47         | 111       | 69        | 76         | 69            | 62            | 62                       | 64         | 69         | 31        | 37          | 61         | 689         |
|                                    | <b>61%</b>     | 62%        | 66%         | 60%                   | 65%        | 61%                  | 74%        | 59%        | 58%                    | 58%               | 63%                          | 71%              | 52%        | 63%        | 47%        | 68%       | 63%       | 52%        | 67%           | 59%           | 72%                      | 64%        | 51%        | 61%       | 64%         | 60%        | 60%         |
| To help their political party      | <b>526</b>     | 248        | 53          | 226                   | 162        | 131                  | 126        | 173        | 244                    | 146               | 96                           | 149              | 84         | 483        | 42         | 76        | 34        | 60         | 50            | 49            | 48                       | 49         | 68         | 22        | 29          | 41         | 517         |
|                                    | <b>46%</b>     | 48%        | 48%         | 43%                   | 44%        | 46%                  | 50%        | 41%        | 47%                    | 46%               | 45%                          | 52%              | 38%        | 46%        | 42%        | 47%       | 31%       | 41%        | 49%           | 47%           | 55%                      | 49%        | 51%        | 43%       | 51%         | 40%        | 45%         |
| For their own personal gain        | <b>477</b>     | 234        | 30          | 213                   | 168        | 123                  | 66         | 206        | 223                    | 158               | 94                           | 85               | 96         | 425        | 52         | 56        | 45        | 56         | 37            | 53            | 28                       | 42         | 70         | 22        | 32          | 37         | 495         |
|                                    | <b>41%</b>     | 45%        | 27%         | 40%                   | 45%        | 43%                  | 26%        | 49%        | 43%                    | 49%               | 44%                          | 30%              | 44%        | 40%        | 52%        | 35%       | 41%       | 38%        | 36%           | 51%           | 32%                      | 42%        | 52%        | 44%       | 55%         | 37%        | 43%         |
| To help the country as a whole     | <b>406</b>     | 172        | 49          | 185                   | 122        | 100                  | 105        | 145        | 172                    | 111               | 77                           | 110              | 63         | 379        | 26         | 61        | 35        | 49         | 46            | 33            | 16                       | 43         | 37         | 20        | 15          | 51         | 410         |
|                                    | <b>35%</b>     | 33%        | 45%         | 35%                   | 33%        | 35%                  | 42%        | 34%        | 33%                    | 35%               | 36%                          | 38%              | 29%        | 36%        | 26%        | 38%       | 32%       | 33%        | 45%           | 31%           | 19%                      | 43%        | 28%        | 40%       | 26%         | 51%        | 35%         |
| No answer                          | <b>78</b>      | 26         | 6           | 46                    | 18         | 18                   | 9          | 31         | 40                     | 13                | 8                            | 12               | 37         | 64         | 14         | 9         | 15        | 26         | 2             | 3             | 8                        | 1          | 8          | 1         | 1           | 4          | 79          |
|                                    | <b>7%</b>      | 5%         | 5%          | 9%                    | 5%         | 6%                   | 3%         | 7%         | 8%                     | 4%                | 4%                           | 4%               | 17%        | 6%         | 14%        | 6%        | 13%       | 18%        | 1%            | 3%            | 10%                      | 1%         | 6%         | 3%        | 3%          | 7%         |             |

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Table 262

**Q.26b In general, what do you think motivates most people who get involved in politics? Which of the following is the first/second most important?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Urbanity                 |            |           | Interest in politics |            | Likelihood to vote |            | Political activism |            | Opinion on present system |            | Knew local MP     |            | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|-----------|----------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|---------------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                    | Total                    | Urban      | Rural     | Mixed                | Interested | Not interested     | Certain to | Certain not to     | Activist   | Non-activist              | Works well | Needs improvement | Yes        |             | No          |
| Unweighted total                   | <b>1156</b>              | 773        | 145       | 238                  | 580        | 569                | 627        | 143                | 160        | 996                       | 327        | 783               | 495        | 661         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | <b>1156</b>              | 784        | 136       | 235                  | 611        | 539                | 619        | 140                | 180        | 976                       | 322        | 793               | 511        | 645         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b> | <b>97</b> | <b>170</b>           | <b>404</b> | <b>394</b>         | <b>430</b> | <b>96</b>          | <b>118</b> | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b> | <b>543</b>        | <b>339</b> | <b>464</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| To help people in their local area | <b>709</b><br><b>61%</b> | 494<br>63% | 87<br>64% | 129<br>55%           | 406<br>66% | 299<br>55%         | 410<br>66% | 75<br>54%          | 130<br>73% | 579<br>59%                | 219<br>68% | 474<br>60%        | 333<br>65% | 376<br>58%  | 689<br>60%  |
| To help their political party      | <b>526</b><br><b>46%</b> | 364<br>46% | 51<br>38% | 111<br>47%           | 275<br>45% | 250<br>46%         | 296<br>48% | 45<br>32%          | 74<br>41%  | 452<br>46%                | 139<br>43% | 380<br>48%        | 253<br>50% | 273<br>42%  | 517<br>45%  |
| For their own personal gain        | <b>477</b><br><b>41%</b> | 315<br>40% | 59<br>43% | 104<br>44%           | 209<br>34% | 264<br>49%         | 217<br>35% | 80<br>58%          | 59<br>33%  | 419<br>43%                | 101<br>31% | 364<br>46%        | 177<br>35% | 301<br>47%  | 495<br>43%  |
| To help the country as a whole     | <b>406</b><br><b>35%</b> | 271<br>35% | 51<br>38% | 84<br>36%            | 252<br>41% | 152<br>28%         | 239<br>39% | 44<br>31%          | 83<br>46%  | 323<br>33%                | 132<br>41% | 263<br>33%        | 184<br>36% | 222<br>34%  | 410<br>35%  |
| No answer                          | <b>78</b><br><b>7%</b>   | 53<br>7%   | 8<br>6%   | 17<br>7%             | 35<br>6%   | 43<br>8%           | 33<br>5%   | 10<br>7%           | 6<br>4%    | 72<br>7%                  | 23<br>7%   | 39<br>5%          | 33<br>6%   | 45<br>7%    | 79<br>7%    |

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Table 263

**Q.26b In general, what do you think motivates most people who get involved in politics? Which of the following is the first/second most important?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Quiz score               |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |            | Satisfaction with MPs in general |            | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |              | Unwtd total |                     |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|--|------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
|                                    | Total                    | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                           | Agree      | Disagree        | Use internet |             | Do not use internet |
| Unweighted total                   | <b>1156</b>              | 210        | 463        | 483                        | 459        | 183                              | 349        | 502                                    | 438        | 450             | 762          | 394         | 1156                |
| Weighted total                     | <b>1156</b>              | 187        | 470        | 499                        | 444        | 190                              | 336        | 515                                    | 427        | 474             | 826          | 330         | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>               | <b>150</b> | <b>310</b> | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b> | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b> | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b> | <b>302</b>      | <b>540</b>   | <b>269</b>  | <b>1156</b>         |
| To help people in their local area | <b>709</b><br><b>61%</b> | 86<br>46%  | 271<br>58% | 353<br>71%                 | 293<br>66% | 103<br>54%                       | 235<br>70% | 278<br>54%                             | 284<br>66% | 275<br>58%      | 537<br>65%   | 172<br>52%  | 689<br>60%          |
| To help their political party      | <b>526</b><br><b>46%</b> | 72<br>38%  | 211<br>45% | 244<br>49%                 | 214<br>48% | 92<br>49%                        | 147<br>44% | 261<br>51%                             | 179<br>42% | 261<br>55%      | 387<br>47%   | 139<br>42%  | 517<br>45%          |
| For their own personal gain        | <b>477</b><br><b>41%</b> | 78<br>42%  | 229<br>49% | 170<br>34%                 | 144<br>32% | 114<br>60%                       | 109<br>33% | 279<br>54%                             | 165<br>39% | 221<br>47%      | 327<br>40%   | 150<br>46%  | 495<br>43%          |
| To help the country as a whole     | <b>406</b><br><b>35%</b> | 50<br>27%  | 156<br>33% | 200<br>40%                 | 180<br>41% | 52<br>28%                        | 144<br>43% | 138<br>27%                             | 173<br>40% | 134<br>28%      | 306<br>37%   | 100<br>30%  | 410<br>35%          |
| No answer                          | <b>78</b><br><b>7%</b>   | 37<br>20%  | 27<br>6%   | 14<br>3%                   | 26<br>6%   | 7<br>4%                          | 16<br>5%   | 29<br>6%                               | 22<br>5%   | 18<br>4%        | 37<br>4%     | 42<br>13%   | 79<br>7%            |

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Table 264

**Q.26b In general, what do you think motivates most people who get involved in politics? Which of the following is the first/second most important?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                    | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |             |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156                  | 163                      | 351                     | 386         | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146             | 228                   | 62              | 93                     | 287               | 102         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | 1156                  | 175                      | 373                     | 396         | 387                   | 116                | 157                   | 159             | 191                   | 66              | 92                     | 277               | 99          | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>            | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>              | <b>263</b>  | <b>290</b>            | <b>72</b>          | <b>101</b>            | <b>92</b>       | <b>160</b>            | <b>49</b>       | <b>66</b>              | <b>209</b>        | <b>63</b>   | <b>1156</b> |
| To help people in their local area | 709<br>61%            | 109<br>62%               | 246<br>66%              | 251<br>63%  | 212<br>55%            | 87<br>75%          | 119<br>76%            | 104<br>65%      | 110<br>57%            | 44<br>67%       | 48<br>53%              | 155<br>56%        | 43<br>43%   | 689<br>60%  |
| To help their political party      | 526<br>46%            | 82<br>47%                | 181<br>49%              | 166<br>42%  | 179<br>46%            | 49<br>42%          | 81<br>51%             | 87<br>55%       | 81<br>43%             | 32<br>49%       | 50<br>54%              | 110<br>40%        | 36<br>37%   | 517<br>45%  |
| For their own personal gain        | 477<br>41%            | 73<br>42%                | 140<br>38%              | 155<br>39%  | 182<br>47%            | 30<br>26%          | 48<br>31%             | 58<br>36%       | 84<br>44%             | 24<br>37%       | 45<br>49%              | 127<br>46%        | 61<br>62%   | 495<br>43%  |
| To help the country as a whole     | 406<br>35%            | 61<br>35%                | 134<br>36%              | 147<br>37%  | 125<br>32%            | 59<br>51%          | 60<br>38%             | 56<br>35%       | 62<br>32%             | 25<br>37%       | 24<br>26%              | 101<br>36%        | 22<br>22%   | 410<br>35%  |
| No answer                          | 78<br>7%              | 8<br>5%                  | 16<br>4%                | 28<br>7%    | 35<br>9%              | 4<br>3%            | 2<br>1%               | 6<br>4%         | 20<br>10%             | 3<br>5%         | 7<br>8%                | 24<br>9%          | 12<br>12%   | 79<br>7%    |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
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Table 265

**Q.26c In general, what do you think motivates most people who get involved in politics? Which of the following is the first/second/third most important?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Gender      |            | Age        |           |            |            |            |            |            |           |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                    | Male        | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34     | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34     | 35-54      | 55+        | AB           | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands  | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| Unweighted total                   | <b>1156</b> | 552        | 604        | 138       | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135       | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | <b>1156</b> | 561        | 595        | 173       | 183        | 216        | 186        | 169        | 117        | 111       | 356        | 402        | 398          | 310        | 333        | 241        | 272        | 642        | 514        | 387        | 411        | 358            | 306                   | 681                            | 169         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>  | <b>391</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>98</b> | <b>145</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b> | <b>236</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>222</b> | <b>401</b> | <b>413</b> | <b>312</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| To help people in their local area | <b>879</b>  | 433        | 446        | 125       | 144        | 163        | 150        | 135        | 81         | 80        | 269        | 313        | 296          | 262        | 235        | 182        | 200        | 497        | 382        | 285        | 306        | 289            | 215                   | 546                            | 118         | 867         |
|                                    | <b>76%</b>  | 77%        | 75%        | 72%       | 79%        | 76%        | 81%        | 80%        | 69%        | 72%       | 76%        | 78%        | 74%          | 84%        | 71%        | 75%        | 73%        | 77%        | 74%        | 74%        | 74%        | 81%            | 70%                   | 80%                            | 70%         | 75%         |
| To help their political party      | <b>816</b>  | 394        | 422        | 102       | 116        | 164        | 147        | 129        | 88         | 70        | 218        | 311        | 287          | 249        | 225        | 160        | 183        | 474        | 342        | 277        | 300        | 239            | 197                   | 501                            | 118         | 805         |
|                                    | <b>71%</b>  | 70%        | 71%        | 59%       | 63%        | 76%        | 79%        | 76%        | 75%        | 62%       | 61%        | 77%        | 72%          | 80%        | 68%        | 66%        | 67%        | 74%        | 67%        | 72%        | 73%        | 67%            | 64%                   | 74%                            | 70%         | 70%         |
| To help the country as a whole     | <b>667</b>  | 308        | 359        | 104       | 94         | 114        | 120        | 105        | 67         | 64        | 198        | 233        | 236          | 203        | 191        | 131        | 142        | 394        | 273        | 232        | 248        | 187            | 175                   | 398                            | 94          | 659         |
|                                    | <b>58%</b>  | 55%        | 60%        | 60%       | 51%        | 53%        | 64%        | 62%        | 57%        | 57%       | 56%        | 58%        | 59%          | 66%        | 58%        | 54%        | 52%        | 61%        | 53%        | 60%        | 60%        | 52%            | 57%                   | 58%                            | 55%         | 57%         |
| For their own personal gain        | <b>607</b>  | 335        | 272        | 102       | 112        | 129        | 95         | 71         | 63         | 34        | 214        | 225        | 169          | 133        | 175        | 138        | 162        | 308        | 299        | 218        | 197        | 191            | 183                   | 355                            | 69          | 628         |
|                                    | <b>53%</b>  | 60%        | 46%        | 59%       | 61%        | 60%        | 51%        | 42%        | 54%        | 31%       | 60%        | 56%        | 42%          | 43%        | 53%        | 57%        | 59%        | 48%        | 58%        | 56%        | 48%        | 53%            | 60%                   | 52%                            | 41%         | 54%         |
| No answer                          | <b>78</b>   | 27         | 51         | 13        | 13         | 9          | 3          | 13         | 9          | 20        | 25         | 12         | 41           | 8          | 26         | 21         | 23         | 34         | 44         | 13         | 37         | 28             | 21                    | 37                             | 20          | 79          |
|                                    | <b>7%</b>   | 5%         | 9%         | 7%        | 7%         | 4%         | 2%         | 7%         | 7%         | 18%       | 7%         | 3%         | 10%          | 3%         | 8%         | 9%         | 8%         | 5%         | 9%         | 3%         | 9%         | 8%             | 7%                    | 5%                             | 12%         | 7%          |

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Table 266

**Q.26c In general, what do you think motivates most people who get involved in politics? Which of the following is the first/second/third most important?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education                      |                   |                                       |                  | Ethnicity  |            | GO Region  |           |           |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           | Unwtd total |            |             |
|------------------------------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|                                    | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/<br>CSE/<br>NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/<br>Masters/<br>/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME        | South East | Eastern   | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland   |             |
| Unweighted total                   | <b>1156</b>    | 425        | 109         | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548                            | 318               | 183                                   | 258              | 274        | 1007       | 146        | 116       | 102       | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68        | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | <b>1156</b>    | 520        | 109         | 527                   | 372        | 287                  | 253        | 423        | 522                            | 320               | 213                                   | 287              | 219        | 1054       | 100        | 162       | 110       | 147        | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101        | 134        | 51        | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b> | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b>                     | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                            | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b> | <b>703</b> | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b> | <b>72</b> | <b>86</b>  | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b> | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| To help people in their local area | <b>879</b>     | 402        | 86          | 391                   | 287        | 220                  | 212        | 317        | 386                            | 245               | 161                                   | 242              | 142        | 810        | 68         | 132       | 88        | 88         | 86            | 80            | 73                       | 81         | 94         | 36        | 48          | 75         | 867         |
|                                    | <b>76%</b>     | 77%        | 79%         | 74%                   | 77%        | 77%                  | 84%        | 75%        | 74%                            | 76%               | 75%                                   | 85%              | 65%        | 77%        | 68%        | 81%       | 80%       | 60%        | 83%           | 77%           | 85%                      | 80%        | 70%        | 70%       | 83%         | 73%        | 75%         |
| To help their political party      | <b>816</b>     | 369        | 83          | 364                   | 259        | 206                  | 195        | 292        | 364                            | 238               | 148                                   | 221              | 130        | 754        | 61         | 122       | 59        | 95         | 83            | 75            | 60                       | 77         | 95         | 32        | 45          | 74         | 805         |
|                                    | <b>71%</b>     | 71%        | 76%         | 69%                   | 70%        | 72%                  | 77%        | 69%        | 70%                            | 74%               | 69%                                   | 77%              | 59%        | 71%        | 61%        | 75%       | 54%       | 65%        | 81%           | 72%           | 69%                      | 76%        | 71%        | 62%       | 77%         | 73%        | 70%         |
| To help the country as a whole     | <b>667</b>     | 306        | 71          | 290                   | 203        | 170                  | 163        | 233        | 295                            | 180               | 126                                   | 176              | 107        | 622        | 44         | 97        | 53        | 82         | 69            | 57            | 46                       | 63         | 63         | 36        | 31          | 71         | 659         |
|                                    | <b>58%</b>     | 59%        | 65%         | 55%                   | 55%        | 59%                  | 65%        | 55%        | 57%                            | 56%               | 59%                                   | 62%              | 49%        | 59%        | 44%        | 60%       | 48%       | 56%        | 67%           | 55%           | 53%                      | 62%        | 47%        | 71%       | 54%         | 70%        | 57%         |
| For their own personal gain        | <b>607</b>     | 304        | 45          | 258                   | 217        | 150                  | 102        | 250        | 275                            | 187               | 119                                   | 134              | 114        | 545        | 61         | 78        | 53        | 71         | 48            | 60            | 38                       | 57         | 82         | 28        | 39          | 52         | 628         |
|                                    | <b>53%</b>     | 59%        | 41%         | 49%                   | 59%        | 52%                  | 40%        | 59%        | 53%                            | 58%               | 56%                                   | 47%              | 52%        | 52%        | 61%        | 48%       | 49%       | 49%        | 47%           | 58%           | 44%                      | 56%        | 61%        | 55%       | 67%         | 51%        | 54%         |
| No answer                          | <b>78</b>      | 26         | 6           | 46                    | 18         | 18                   | 9          | 31         | 40                             | 13                | 8                                     | 12               | 37         | 64         | 14         | 9         | 15        | 26         | 2             | 3             | 8                        | 1          | 8          | 1         | 1           | 4          | 79          |
|                                    | <b>7%</b>      | 5%         | 5%          | 9%                    | 5%         | 6%                   | 3%         | 7%         | 8%                             | 4%                | 4%                                    | 4%               | 17%        | 6%         | 14%        | 6%        | 13%       | 18%        | 1%            | 3%            | 10%                      | 1%         | 6%         | 3%        | 3%          | 7%         |             |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 267

**Q.26c In general, what do you think motivates most people who get involved in politics? Which of the following is the first/second/third most important?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Urbanity                 |            |            | Interest in politics |            | Likelihood to vote |            | Political activism |            | Opinion on present system |            | Knew local MP     |            | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|----------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|---------------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                    | Total                    | Urban      | Rural      | Mixed                | Interested | Not interested     | Certain to | Certain not to     | Activist   | Non-activist              | Works well | Needs improvement | Yes        |             | No          |
| Unweighted total                   | <b>1156</b>              | 773        | 145        | 238                  | 580        | 569                | 627        | 143                | 160        | 996                       | 327        | 783               | 495        | 661         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | <b>1156</b>              | 784        | 136        | 235                  | 611        | 539                | 619        | 140                | 180        | 976                       | 322        | 793               | 511        | 645         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b> | <b>97</b>  | <b>170</b>           | <b>404</b> | <b>394</b>         | <b>430</b> | <b>96</b>          | <b>118</b> | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b> | <b>543</b>        | <b>339</b> | <b>464</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| To help people in their local area | <b>879</b><br><b>76%</b> | 599<br>76% | 104<br>76% | 176<br>75%           | 486<br>80% | 388<br>72%         | 500<br>81% | 91<br>65%          | 154<br>86% | 725<br>74%                | 258<br>80% | 603<br>76%        | 406<br>79% | 473<br>73%  | 867<br>75%  |
| To help their political party      | <b>816</b><br><b>71%</b> | 568<br>72% | 90<br>66%  | 158<br>67%           | 443<br>73% | 367<br>68%         | 464<br>75% | 81<br>58%          | 132<br>73% | 684<br>70%                | 226<br>70% | 575<br>72%        | 393<br>77% | 423<br>66%  | 805<br>70%  |
| To help the country as a whole     | <b>667</b><br><b>58%</b> | 444<br>57% | 83<br>61%  | 140<br>59%           | 387<br>63% | 276<br>51%         | 397<br>64% | 72<br>51%          | 118<br>66% | 549<br>56%                | 193<br>60% | 456<br>57%        | 287<br>56% | 380<br>59%  | 659<br>57%  |
| For their own personal gain        | <b>607</b><br><b>53%</b> | 407<br>52% | 78<br>57%  | 122<br>52%           | 283<br>46% | 321<br>60%         | 286<br>46% | 93<br>67%          | 79<br>44%  | 528<br>54%                | 142<br>44% | 452<br>57%        | 242<br>47% | 365<br>57%  | 628<br>54%  |
| No answer                          | <b>78</b><br><b>7%</b>   | 53<br>7%   | 8<br>6%    | 17<br>7%             | 35<br>6%   | 43<br>8%           | 33<br>5%   | 10<br>7%           | 6<br>4%    | 72<br>7%                  | 23<br>7%   | 39<br>5%          | 33<br>6%   | 45<br>7%    | 79<br>7%    |

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Table 268

**Q.26c In general, what do you think motivates most people who get involved in politics? Which of the following is the first/second/third most important?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Quiz score               |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |            | Satisfaction with MPs in general |            | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |              | Unwtd total |                     |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|--|------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
|                                    | Total                    | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                           | Agree      | Disagree        | Use internet |             | Do not use internet |
| Unweighted total                   | <b>1156</b>              | 210        | 463        | 483                        | 459        | 183                              | 349        | 502                                    | 438        | 450             | 762          | 394         | 1156                |
| Weighted total                     | <b>1156</b>              | 187        | 470        | 499                        | 444        | 190                              | 336        | 515                                    | 427        | 474             | 826          | 330         | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>               | <b>150</b> | <b>310</b> | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b> | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b> | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b> | <b>302</b>      | <b>540</b>   | <b>269</b>  | <b>1156</b>         |
| To help people in their local area | <b>879</b><br><b>76%</b> | 108<br>58% | 355<br>76% | 416<br>83%                 | 355<br>80% | 134<br>71%                       | 278<br>83% | 379<br>74%                             | 342<br>80% | 357<br>75%      | 655<br>79%   | 224<br>68%  | 867<br>75%          |
| To help their political party      | <b>816</b><br><b>71%</b> | 104<br>56% | 328<br>70% | 384<br>77%                 | 331<br>75% | 144<br>76%                       | 252<br>75% | 364<br>71%                             | 310<br>73% | 345<br>73%      | 602<br>73%   | 214<br>65%  | 805<br>70%          |
| To help the country as a whole     | <b>667</b><br><b>58%</b> | 85<br>45%  | 256<br>55% | 326<br>65%                 | 275<br>62% | 105<br>55%                       | 220<br>66% | 258<br>50%                             | 271<br>63% | 255<br>54%      | 494<br>60%   | 173<br>52%  | 659<br>57%          |
| For their own personal gain        | <b>607</b><br><b>53%</b> | 95<br>51%  | 273<br>58% | 239<br>48%                 | 203<br>46% | 125<br>66%                       | 152<br>45% | 325<br>63%                             | 214<br>50% | 278<br>59%      | 433<br>52%   | 174<br>53%  | 628<br>54%          |
| No answer                          | <b>78</b><br><b>7%</b>   | 37<br>20%  | 27<br>6%   | 14<br>3%                   | 26<br>6%   | 7<br>4%                          | 16<br>5%   | 29<br>6%                               | 22<br>5%   | 18<br>4%        | 37<br>4%     | 42<br>13%   | 79<br>7%            |

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Table 269

**Q.26c In general, what do you think motivates most people who get involved in politics? Which of the following is the first/second/third most important?**

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                    | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |             |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156                  | 163                      | 351                     | 386         | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146             | 228                   | 62              | 93                     | 287               | 102         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | 1156                  | 175                      | 373                     | 396         | 387                   | 116                | 157                   | 159             | 191                   | 66              | 92                     | 277               | 99          | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>            | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>              | <b>263</b>  | <b>290</b>            | <b>72</b>          | <b>101</b>            | <b>92</b>       | <b>160</b>            | <b>49</b>       | <b>66</b>              | <b>209</b>        | <b>63</b>   | <b>1156</b> |
| To help people in their local area | 879<br>76%            | 134<br>77%               | 293<br>79%              | 308<br>78%  | 278<br>72%            | 105<br>90%         | 137<br>87%            | 129<br>81%      | 131<br>68%            | 58<br>87%       | 69<br>75%              | 196<br>71%        | 55<br>56%   | 867<br>75%  |
| To help their political party      | 816<br>71%            | 133<br>76%               | 280<br>75%              | 268<br>68%  | 267<br>69%            | 89<br>77%          | 126<br>80%            | 124<br>78%      | 129<br>67%            | 51<br>77%       | 70<br>76%              | 169<br>61%        | 59<br>60%   | 805<br>70%  |
| To help the country as a whole     | 667<br>58%            | 104<br>59%               | 219<br>59%              | 235<br>59%  | 212<br>55%            | 81<br>70%          | 99<br>63%             | 103<br>65%      | 112<br>59%            | 35<br>53%       | 35<br>38%              | 154<br>56%        | 48<br>48%   | 659<br>57%  |
| For their own personal gain        | 607<br>53%            | 91<br>52%                | 185<br>50%              | 190<br>48%  | 232<br>60%            | 45<br>39%          | 72<br>46%             | 76<br>48%       | 101<br>53%            | 34<br>52%       | 56<br>61%              | 159<br>58%        | 62<br>63%   | 628<br>54%  |
| No answer                          | 78<br>7%              | 8<br>5%                  | 16<br>4%                | 28<br>7%    | 35<br>9%              | 4<br>3%            | 2<br>1%               | 6<br>4%         | 20<br>10%             | 3<br>5%         | 7<br>8%                | 24<br>9%          | 12<br>12%   | 79<br>7%    |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 270

### Q.27 How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the way the media reports politics in the UK?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Gender     |            | Age        |           |            |            |            |            |            |           |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                    | Male       | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34     | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34     | 35-54      | 55+        | AB           | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands  | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156       | 552        | 604        | 138       | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135       | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | 1156       | 561        | 595        | 173       | 183        | 216        | 186        | 169        | 117        | 111       | 356        | 402        | 398          | 310        | 333        | 241        | 272        | 642        | 514        | 387        | 411        | 358            | 306                   | 681                            | 169         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b> | <b>391</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>98</b> | <b>145</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b> | <b>236</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>222</b> | <b>401</b> | <b>413</b> | <b>312</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| Very satisfied                     | 41         | 23         | 18         | 7         | 6          | 13         | 5          | 4          | 4          | 2         | 13         | 18         | 9            | 9          | 11         | 6          | 14         | 20         | 20         | 14         | 20         | 7              | 17                    | 18                             | 5           | 47          |
|                                    | 4%         | 4%         | 3%         | 4%        | 3%         | 6%         | 3%         | 2%         | 3%         | 2%        | 4%         | 4%         | 2%           | 3%         | 3%         | 3%         | 5%         | 3%         | 4%         | 4%         | 5%         | 2%             | 6%                    | 3%                             | 3%          | 4%          |
| Fairly satisfied                   | 396        | 201        | 195        | 60        | 65         | 82         | 51         | 52         | 49         | 37        | 125        | 133        | 138          | 81         | 122        | 97         | 96         | 203        | 193        | 136        | 128        | 132            | 111                   | 229                            | 56          | 427         |
|                                    | 34%        | 36%        | 33%        | 35%       | 35%        | 38%        | 27%        | 31%        | 42%        | 33%       | 35%        | 33%        | 35%          | 26%        | 37%        | 40%        | 35%        | 32%        | 38%        | 35%        | 31%        | 37%            | 36%                   | 34%                            | 33%         | 37%         |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 241        | 95         | 146        | 53        | 46         | 37         | 35         | 33         | 22         | 16        | 99         | 71         | 71           | 42         | 66         | 63         | 71         | 108        | 133        | 89         | 78         | 74             | 74                    | 130                            | 37          | 240         |
|                                    | 21%        | 17%        | 25%        | 31%       | 25%        | 17%        | 19%        | 19%        | 14%        | 28%       | 18%        | 18%        | 18%          | 14%        | 20%        | 26%        | 26%        | 17%        | 26%        | 23%        | 19%        | 21%            | 24%                   | 19%                            | 22%         | 21%         |
| Fairly dissatisfied                | 282        | 150        | 132        | 38        | 37         | 49         | 54         | 49         | 25         | 31        | 75         | 103        | 105          | 107        | 78         | 43         | 54         | 186        | 97         | 94         | 116        | 72             | 54                    | 189                            | 39          | 256         |
|                                    | 24%        | 27%        | 22%        | 22%       | 20%        | 23%        | 29%        | 29%        | 21%        | 28%       | 21%        | 26%        | 26%          | 35%        | 24%        | 18%        | 20%        | 29%        | 19%        | 24%        | 28%        | 20%            | 18%                   | 28%                            | 23%         | 22%         |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 158        | 76         | 82         | 7         | 20         | 29         | 39         | 31         | 16         | 17        | 28         | 67         | 64           | 69         | 43         | 24         | 22         | 112        | 47         | 47         | 53         | 58             | 38                    | 95                             | 25          | 145         |
|                                    | 14%        | 14%        | 14%        | 4%        | 11%        | 13%        | 21%        | 18%        | 13%        | 15%       | 8%         | 17%        | 16%          | 22%        | 13%        | 10%        | 8%         | 17%        | 9%         | 12%        | 13%        | 16%            | 12%                   | 14%                            | 15%         | 13%         |
| Don't know                         | 38         | 16         | 22         | 8         | 9          | 7          | 2          | 1          | 1          | 9         | 17         | 9          | 12           | 1          | 13         | 8          | 16         | 14         | 24         | 7          | 15         | 15             | 13                    | 19                             | 6           | 41          |
|                                    | 3%         | 3%         | 4%         | 5%        | 5%         | 3%         | 1%         | 1%         | 1%         | 8%        | 5%         | 2%         | 3%           | *          | 4%         | 3%         | 6%         | 2%         | 5%         | 2%         | 4%         | 4%             | 4%                    | 3%                             | 4%          | 4%          |
| <b>Satisfied</b>                   | <b>436</b> | <b>224</b> | <b>212</b> | <b>67</b> | <b>71</b>  | <b>95</b>  | <b>56</b>  | <b>56</b>  | <b>53</b>  | <b>38</b> | <b>138</b> | <b>151</b> | <b>147</b>   | <b>91</b>  | <b>133</b> | <b>103</b> | <b>110</b> | <b>223</b> | <b>213</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>138</b>     | <b>128</b>            | <b>247</b>                     | <b>61</b>   | <b>474</b>  |
|                                    | 38%        | 40%        | 36%        | 39%       | 39%        | 44%        | 30%        | 33%        | 45%        | 34%       | 39%        | 38%        | 37%          | 29%        | 40%        | 43%        | 40%        | 35%        | 42%        | 39%        | 36%        | 39%            | 42%                   | 36%                            | 36%         | 41%         |
| <b>Dissatisfied</b>                | <b>441</b> | <b>226</b> | <b>215</b> | <b>45</b> | <b>57</b>  | <b>78</b>  | <b>93</b>  | <b>80</b>  | <b>41</b>  | <b>48</b> | <b>102</b> | <b>170</b> | <b>168</b>   | <b>176</b> | <b>121</b> | <b>68</b>  | <b>76</b>  | <b>297</b> | <b>143</b> | <b>141</b> | <b>169</b> | <b>131</b>     | <b>92</b>             | <b>285</b>                     | <b>64</b>   | <b>401</b>  |
|                                    | 38%        | 40%        | 36%        | 26%       | 31%        | 36%        | 50%        | 47%        | 35%        | 43%       | 29%        | 42%        | 42%          | 57%        | 36%        | 28%        | 28%        | 46%        | 28%        | 37%        | 41%        | 36%            | 30%                   | 42%                            | 38%         | 35%         |
| <b>Net satisfied</b>               | <b>-4</b>  | <b>-2</b>  | <b>-3</b>  | <b>22</b> | <b>14</b>  | <b>17</b>  | <b>-37</b> | <b>-24</b> | <b>12</b>  | <b>-9</b> | <b>36</b>  | <b>-20</b> | <b>-21</b>   | <b>-86</b> | <b>11</b>  | <b>36</b>  | <b>34</b>  | <b>-74</b> | <b>70</b>  | <b>8</b>   | <b>-20</b> | <b>8</b>       | <b>36</b>             | <b>-38</b>                     | <b>-3</b>   | <b>73</b>   |
|                                    | *          | *          | *          | 13%       | 7%         | 8%         | -20%       | -14%       | 11%        | -8%       | 10%        | -5%        | -5%          | -28%       | 3%         | 15%        | 13%        | -12%       | 14%        | 2%         | -5%        | 2%             | 12%                   | -6%                            | -2%         | 6%          |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
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### Q.27 How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the way the media reports politics in the UK?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity  |            | GO Region  |            |           |            |               |               |                          |            |            |            | Unwtd total |            |             |
|------------------------------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|                                    | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME        | South East | Eastern    | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales      |             | Scotland   |             |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156           | 425        | 109         | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548                    | 318               | 183                          | 258              | 274        | 1007       | 146        | 116        | 102       | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68         | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total                     | 1156           | 520        | 109         | 527                   | 372        | 287                  | 253        | 423        | 522                    | 320               | 213                          | 287              | 219        | 1054       | 100        | 162        | 110       | 147        | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101        | 134        | 51         | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b> | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b>             | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b> | <b>703</b> | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b>  | <b>72</b> | <b>86</b>  | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b>  | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| Very satisfied                     | 41             | 19         | 1           | 20                    | 14         | 10                   | 2          | 19         | 19                     | 22                | 4                            | 7                | 4          | 34         | 7          | 5          | 2         | 6          | 8             | 2             | 2                        | 7          | 3          | 1          | *           | 3          | 47          |
|                                    | 4%             | 4%         | 1%          | 4%                    | 4%         | 4%                   | 1%         | 5%         | 4%                     | 7%                | 2%                           | 3%               | 2%         | 3%         | 7%         | 3%         | 2%        | 4%         | 8%            | 2%            | 2%                       | 7%         | 2%         | 1%         | 1%          | 3%         | 4%          |
| Fairly satisfied                   | 396            | 168        | 41          | 187                   | 135        | 94                   | 72         | 181        | 162                    | 109               | 73                           | 92               | 82         | 346        | 48         | 44         | 38        | 51         | 33            | 41            | 31                       | 26         | 65         | 11         | 21          | 34         | 427         |
|                                    | 34%            | 32%        | 37%         | 35%                   | 36%        | 33%                  | 28%        | 43%        | 31%                    | 34%               | 34%                          | 32%              | 38%        | 33%        | 48%        | 27%        | 31%       | 34%        | 35%           | 32%           | 40%                      | 36%        | 26%        | 48%        | 22%         | 37%        | 37%         |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 241            | 111        | 20          | 110                   | 74         | 82                   | 42         | 97         | 111                    | 74                | 49                           | 35               | 58         | 223        | 18         | 34         | 18        | 25         | 20            | 17            | 23                       | 23         | 28         | 13         | 15          | 24         | 240         |
|                                    | 21%            | 21%        | 19%         | 21%                   | 20%        | 29%                  | 17%        | 23%        | 21%                    | 23%               | 23%                          | 12%              | 26%        | 21%        | 18%        | 21%        | 17%       | 17%        | 19%           | 16%           | 27%                      | 23%        | 21%        | 26%        | 26%         | 24%        | 21%         |
| Fairly dissatisfied                | 282            | 140        | 30          | 113                   | 79         | 67                   | 87         | 73         | 133                    | 68                | 63                           | 94               | 39         | 273        | 10         | 48         | 24        | 38         | 30            | 22            | 15                       | 29         | 28         | 13         | 11          | 25         | 256         |
|                                    | 24%            | 27%        | 27%         | 21%                   | 21%        | 23%                  | 34%        | 17%        | 25%                    | 21%               | 29%                          | 33%              | 18%        | 26%        | 10%        | 30%        | 22%       | 26%        | 29%           | 22%           | 17%                      | 29%        | 21%        | 25%        | 19%         | 24%        | 22%         |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 158            | 74         | 14          | 70                    | 53         | 29                   | 46         | 41         | 75                     | 37                | 25                           | 53               | 19         | 154        | 4          | 30         | 23        | 12         | 11            | 18            | 8                        | 13         | 9          | 12         | 10          | 13         | 145         |
|                                    | 14%            | 14%        | 13%         | 13%                   | 14%        | 10%                  | 18%        | 10%        | 14%                    | 11%               | 11%                          | 18%              | 9%         | 15%        | 4%         | 19%        | 21%       | 8%         | 11%           | 17%           | 9%                       | 13%        | 7%         | 23%        | 17%         | 13%        | 13%         |
| Don't know                         | 38             | 8          | 3           | 27                    | 15         | 4                    | 4          | 12         | 22                     | 9                 | 1                            | 5                | 17         | 24         | 13         | -          | 4         | 14         | 1             | 3             | 8                        | 3          | 1          | 1          | *           | 3          | 41          |
|                                    | 3%             | 2%         | 3%          | 5%                    | 4%         | 1%                   | 2%         | 3%         | 4%                     | 3%                | 1%                           | 2%               | 8%         | 2%         | 13%        | -          | 4%        | 10%        | 1%            | 3%            | 9%                       | 3%         | 1%         | 2%         | 1%          | 2%         | 4%          |
| <b>Satisfied</b>                   | <b>436</b>     | <b>187</b> | <b>42</b>   | <b>207</b>            | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b>           | <b>74</b>  | <b>200</b> | <b>181</b>             | <b>131</b>        | <b>77</b>                    | <b>100</b>       | <b>86</b>  | <b>380</b> | <b>55</b>  | <b>49</b>  | <b>40</b> | <b>58</b>  | <b>42</b>     | <b>43</b>     | <b>33</b>                | <b>33</b>  | <b>68</b>  | <b>12</b>  | <b>22</b>   | <b>37</b>  | <b>474</b>  |
|                                    | 38%            | 36%        | 39%         | 39%                   | 40%        | 36%                  | 29%        | 47%        | 35%                    | 41%               | 36%                          | 35%              | 39%        | 36%        | 55%        | 31%        | 37%       | 39%        | 40%           | 42%           | 38%                      | 33%        | 51%        | 23%        | 38%         | 36%        | 41%         |
| <b>Dissatisfied</b>                | <b>441</b>     | <b>214</b> | <b>44</b>   | <b>183</b>            | <b>133</b> | <b>96</b>            | <b>133</b> | <b>114</b> | <b>207</b>             | <b>105</b>        | <b>87</b>                    | <b>147</b>       | <b>58</b>  | <b>427</b> | <b>14</b>  | <b>79</b>  | <b>47</b> | <b>50</b>  | <b>41</b>     | <b>40</b>     | <b>22</b>                | <b>42</b>  | <b>37</b>  | <b>25</b>  | <b>20</b>   | <b>38</b>  | <b>401</b>  |
|                                    | 38%            | 41%        | 40%         | 35%                   | 36%        | 34%                  | 53%        | 27%        | 40%                    | 33%               | 41%                          | 51%              | 27%        | 41%        | 14%        | 49%        | 43%       | 34%        | 39%           | 39%           | 26%                      | 42%        | 28%        | 49%        | 35%         | 37%        | 35%         |
| <b>Net satisfied</b>               | <b>-4</b>      | <b>-27</b> | <b>-2</b>   | <b>24</b>             | <b>17</b>  | <b>8</b>             | <b>-59</b> | <b>86</b>  | <b>-26</b>             | <b>26</b>         | <b>-11</b>                   | <b>-47</b>       | <b>28</b>  | <b>-47</b> | <b>41</b>  | <b>-29</b> | <b>-7</b> | <b>8</b>   | <b>1</b>      | <b>3</b>      | <b>11</b>                | <b>-9</b>  | <b>31</b>  | <b>-13</b> | <b>1</b>    | <b>-1</b>  | <b>73</b>   |
|                                    | *              | -5%        | -1%         | 5%                    | 4%         | 3%                   | -23%       | 20%        | -5%                    | 8%                | -5%                          | -16%             | 13%        | -4%        | 41%        | -18%       | -7%       | 5%         | 1%            | 3%            | 13%                      | -9%        | 23%        | -26%       | 2%          | -1%        | 6%          |

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### Q.27 How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the way the media reports politics in the UK?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Urbanity                 |                          |                           | Interest in politics    |                          | Likelihood to vote       |                          | Political activism      |                           | Opinion on present system |                          | Knew local MP            |                          | Unwtd total              |                          |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                    | Total                    | Urban                    | Rural                     | Mixed                   | Interested               | Not interested           | Certain to               | Certain not to          | Activist                  | Non-activist              | Works well               | Needs improvement        | Yes                      |                          | No                       |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156                     | 773                      | 145                       | 238                     | 580                      | 569                      | 627                      | 143                     | 160                       | 996                       | 327                      | 783                      | 495                      | 661                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total                     | 1156                     | 784                      | 136                       | 235                     | 611                      | 539                      | 619                      | 140                     | 180                       | 976                       | 322                      | 793                      | 511                      | 645                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b>               | <b>97</b>                 | <b>170</b>              | <b>404</b>               | <b>394</b>               | <b>430</b>               | <b>96</b>               | <b>118</b>                | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b>               | <b>543</b>               | <b>339</b>               | <b>464</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Very satisfied                     | 41<br>4%                 | 28<br>4%                 | 2<br>1%                   | 10<br>4%                | 22<br>4%                 | 19<br>4%                 | 20<br>3%                 | 5<br>4%                 | 2<br>1%                   | 38<br>4%                  | 11<br>4%                 | 29<br>4%                 | 19<br>4%                 | 21<br>3%                 | 47<br>4%                 |
| Fairly satisfied                   | 396<br>34%               | 272<br>35%               | 40<br>29%                 | 84<br>36%               | 209<br>34%               | 184<br>34%               | 217<br>35%               | 34<br>24%               | 49<br>27%                 | 347<br>36%                | 127<br>40%               | 258<br>33%               | 171<br>33%               | 225<br>35%               | 427<br>37%               |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 241<br>21%               | 164<br>21%               | 31<br>23%                 | 46<br>19%               | 87<br>14%                | 152<br>28%               | 91<br>15%                | 41<br>29%               | 31<br>17%                 | 210<br>22%                | 63<br>20%                | 171<br>22%               | 96<br>19%                | 145<br>22%               | 240<br>21%               |
| Fairly dissatisfied                | 282<br>24%               | 195<br>25%               | 42<br>31%                 | 45<br>19%               | 180<br>29%               | 102<br>19%               | 165<br>27%               | 30<br>21%               | 59<br>33%                 | 224<br>23%                | 78<br>24%                | 197<br>25%               | 135<br>26%               | 147<br>23%               | 256<br>22%               |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 158<br>14%               | 94<br>12%                | 19<br>14%                 | 46<br>20%               | 103<br>17%               | 55<br>10%                | 112<br>18%               | 17<br>12%               | 38<br>21%                 | 121<br>12%                | 31<br>10%                | 123<br>16%               | 78<br>15%                | 80<br>12%                | 145<br>13%               |
| Don't know                         | 38<br>3%                 | 31<br>4%                 | 3<br>2%                   | 4<br>2%                 | 11<br>2%                 | 27<br>5%                 | 14<br>2%                 | 12<br>9%                | 1<br>1%                   | 37<br>4%                  | 11<br>3%                 | 16<br>2%                 | 11<br>2%                 | 26<br>4%                 | 41<br>4%                 |
| <b>Satisfied</b>                   | <b>436</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>300</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>42</b><br><b>31%</b>   | <b>95</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>231</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>203</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>237</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>39</b><br><b>28%</b> | <b>51</b><br><b>28%</b>   | <b>385</b><br><b>39%</b>  | <b>139</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>287</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>190</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>246</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>474</b><br><b>41%</b> |
| <b>Dissatisfied</b>                | <b>441</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>289</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>61</b><br><b>45%</b>   | <b>91</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>283</b><br><b>46%</b> | <b>157</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>277</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>47</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>96</b><br><b>54%</b>   | <b>344</b><br><b>35%</b>  | <b>109</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>320</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>213</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>227</b><br><b>35%</b> | <b>401</b><br><b>35%</b> |
| <b>Net satisfied</b>               | <b>-4</b><br><b>*</b>    | <b>11</b><br><b>1%</b>   | <b>-19</b><br><b>-14%</b> | <b>4</b><br><b>2%</b>   | <b>-52</b><br><b>-9%</b> | <b>46</b><br><b>9%</b>   | <b>-40</b><br><b>-6%</b> | <b>-8</b><br><b>-5%</b> | <b>-45</b><br><b>-25%</b> | <b>41</b><br><b>4%</b>    | <b>29</b><br><b>9%</b>   | <b>-33</b><br><b>-4%</b> | <b>-23</b><br><b>-5%</b> | <b>19</b><br><b>3%</b>   | <b>73</b><br><b>6%</b>   |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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### Q.27 How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the way the media reports politics in the UK?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Quiz score               |                         |                          | Satisfaction with local MP |                          | Satisfaction with general MPs in general |                          | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |                          | Use of internet          |                          | Unwtd total              |                          |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                    | Total                    | Scored 0-3              | Scored 4-6               | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                             | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                           | Agree                    | Disagree                 | Use internet             |                          | Do not use internet      |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156                     | 210                     | 463                      | 483                        | 459                      | 183                                      | 349                      | 502                                    | 438                      | 450                      | 762                      | 394                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total                     | 1156                     | 187                     | 470                      | 499                        | 444                      | 190                                      | 336                      | 515                                    | 427                      | 474                      | 826                      | 330                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>               | <b>150</b>              | <b>310</b>               | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b>               | <b>135</b>                               | <b>264</b>               | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b>               | <b>302</b>               | <b>540</b>               | <b>269</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| Very satisfied                     | 41<br>4%                 | 9<br>5%                 | 19<br>4%                 | 12<br>2%                   | 15<br>3%                 | 6<br>3%                                  | 12<br>3%                 | 22<br>4%                               | 20<br>5%                 | 17<br>4%                 | 28<br>3%                 | 12<br>4%                 | 47<br>4%                 |
| Fairly satisfied                   | 396<br>34%               | 64<br>34%               | 183<br>39%               | 149<br>30%                 | 178<br>40%               | 59<br>31%                                | 140<br>42%               | 160<br>31%                             | 160<br>37%               | 154<br>33%               | 275<br>33%               | 120<br>37%               | 427<br>37%               |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 241<br>21%               | 49<br>26%               | 114<br>24%               | 78<br>16%                  | 73<br>16%                | 38<br>20%                                | 49<br>14%                | 104<br>20%                             | 70<br>16%                | 104<br>22%               | 172<br>21%               | 69<br>21%                | 240<br>21%               |
| Fairly dissatisfied                | 282<br>24%               | 33<br>18%               | 96<br>20%                | 153<br>31%                 | 107<br>24%               | 37<br>19%                                | 84<br>25%                | 126<br>25%                             | 111<br>26%               | 114<br>24%               | 218<br>26%               | 65<br>20%                | 256<br>22%               |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 158<br>14%               | 7<br>4%                 | 48<br>10%                | 103<br>21%                 | 63<br>14%                | 46<br>24%                                | 45<br>13%                | 93<br>18%                              | 60<br>14%                | 75<br>16%                | 116<br>14%               | 42<br>13%                | 145<br>13%               |
| Don't know                         | 38<br>3%                 | 25<br>13%               | 9<br>2%                  | 4<br>1%                    | 8<br>2%                  | 4<br>2%                                  | 7<br>2%                  | 9<br>2%                                | 6<br>1%                  | 9<br>2%                  | 17<br>2%                 | 21<br>6%                 | 41<br>4%                 |
| <b>Satisfied</b>                   | <b>436</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>73</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>202</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>161</b><br><b>32%</b>   | <b>193</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>65</b><br><b>34%</b>                  | <b>151</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>182</b><br><b>35%</b>               | <b>180</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>171</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>304</b><br><b>37%</b> | <b>133</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>474</b><br><b>41%</b> |
| <b>Dissatisfied</b>                | <b>441</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>40</b><br><b>22%</b> | <b>144</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>256</b><br><b>51%</b>   | <b>170</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>82</b><br><b>43%</b>                  | <b>129</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>219</b><br><b>43%</b>               | <b>171</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>189</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>334</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>107</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>401</b><br><b>35%</b> |
| <b>Net satisfied</b>               | <b>-4</b><br><b>*</b>    | <b>33</b><br><b>17%</b> | <b>58</b><br><b>12%</b>  | <b>-95</b><br><b>-19%</b>  | <b>23</b><br><b>5%</b>   | <b>-17</b><br><b>-9%</b>                 | <b>23</b><br><b>7%</b>   | <b>-37</b><br><b>-7%</b>               | <b>9</b><br><b>2%</b>    | <b>-18</b><br><b>-4%</b> | <b>-30</b><br><b>-4%</b> | <b>26</b><br><b>8%</b>   | <b>73</b><br><b>6%</b>   |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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### Q.27 How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the way the media reports politics in the UK?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                                    | Seat marginality         |                          |                           |                          | Segment                  |                           |                           |                         |                         |                         |                         |                          | Unwtd total               |                          |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                    | Less than 5% majority    | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%)   | Safe (>20%)              | Politically committed    | Active campaigners        | Interested bystanders     | Detached cynics         | Politically contented   | Bored/apathetic         | Disengaged/mistrustful  | Alienated/hostile        |                           |                          |
| Unweighted total                   | 1156                     | 163                      | 351                       | 386                      | 419                      | 96                        | 142                       | 146                     | 228                     | 62                      | 93                      | 287                      | 102                       | 1156                     |
| Weighted total                     | 1156                     | 175                      | 373                       | 396                      | 387                      | 116                       | 157                       | 159                     | 191                     | 66                      | 92                      | 277                      | 99                        | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>              | <b>801</b>               | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>                | <b>263</b>               | <b>290</b>               | <b>72</b>                 | <b>101</b>                | <b>92</b>               | <b>160</b>              | <b>49</b>               | <b>66</b>               | <b>209</b>               | <b>63</b>                 | <b>1156</b>              |
| Very satisfied                     | 41<br>4%                 | 11<br>6%                 | 14<br>4%                  | 18<br>4%                 | 9<br>2%                  | 3<br>2%                   | 3<br>2%                   | 5<br>3%                 | 5<br>3%                 | 2<br>3%                 | 8<br>8%                 | 13<br>5%                 | 2<br>2%                   | 47<br>4%                 |
| Fairly satisfied                   | 396<br>34%               | 50<br>28%                | 116<br>31%                | 135<br>34%               | 145<br>37%               | 25<br>22%                 | 44<br>28%                 | 67<br>42%               | 68<br>36%               | 21<br>31%               | 49<br>54%               | 107<br>38%               | 15<br>15%                 | 427<br>37%               |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 241<br>21%               | 43<br>25%                | 67<br>18%                 | 87<br>22%                | 87<br>23%                | 20<br>18%                 | 23<br>14%                 | 21<br>13%               | 47<br>25%               | 19<br>28%               | 10<br>11%               | 75<br>27%                | 27<br>27%                 | 240<br>21%               |
| Fairly dissatisfied                | 282<br>24%               | 43<br>25%                | 114<br>30%                | 82<br>21%                | 87<br>22%                | 35<br>31%                 | 54<br>34%                 | 56<br>35%               | 31<br>16%               | 17<br>26%               | 17<br>19%               | 45<br>16%                | 26<br>26%                 | 256<br>22%               |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 158<br>14%               | 27<br>15%                | 57<br>15%                 | 62<br>16%                | 39<br>10%                | 31<br>27%                 | 33<br>21%                 | 10<br>7%                | 29<br>15%               | 5<br>8%                 | 4<br>5%                 | 32<br>12%                | 14<br>14%                 | 145<br>13%               |
| Don't know                         | 38<br>3%                 | 2<br>1%                  | 4<br>1%                   | 13<br>3%                 | 21<br>5%                 | 1<br>1%                   | -<br>-                    | -<br>-                  | 11<br>6%                | 3<br>4%                 | 3<br>3%                 | 6<br>2%                  | 14<br>14%                 | 41<br>4%                 |
| <b>Satisfied</b>                   | <b>436</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>60</b><br><b>34%</b>  | <b>131</b><br><b>35%</b>  | <b>153</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>153</b><br><b>40%</b> | <b>28</b><br><b>24%</b>   | <b>47</b><br><b>30%</b>   | <b>72</b><br><b>45%</b> | <b>73</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>22</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>57</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>119</b><br><b>43%</b> | <b>18</b><br><b>18%</b>   | <b>474</b><br><b>41%</b> |
| <b>Dissatisfied</b>                | <b>441</b><br><b>38%</b> | <b>70</b><br><b>40%</b>  | <b>171</b><br><b>46%</b>  | <b>144</b><br><b>36%</b> | <b>125</b><br><b>32%</b> | <b>66</b><br><b>57%</b>   | <b>87</b><br><b>55%</b>   | <b>66</b><br><b>42%</b> | <b>60</b><br><b>31%</b> | <b>22</b><br><b>34%</b> | <b>22</b><br><b>23%</b> | <b>77</b><br><b>28%</b>  | <b>40</b><br><b>41%</b>   | <b>401</b><br><b>35%</b> |
| <b>Net satisfied</b>               | <b>-4</b><br><b>*</b>    | <b>-10</b><br><b>-6%</b> | <b>-41</b><br><b>-11%</b> | <b>8</b><br><b>2%</b>    | <b>28</b><br><b>7%</b>   | <b>-39</b><br><b>-33%</b> | <b>-40</b><br><b>-25%</b> | <b>5</b><br><b>3%</b>   | <b>13</b><br><b>7%</b>  | <b>*</b><br><b>*</b>    | <b>36</b><br><b>39%</b> | <b>42</b><br><b>15%</b>  | <b>-23</b><br><b>-23%</b> | <b>73</b><br><b>6%</b>   |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
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### Q.28 Which of these, if any, do you personally use? And which others?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Gender     |            | Age        |            |            |            |            |            |            |           |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |            |                       | Unwtd total |                                |
|--|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|------------|-----------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|
|  | Total      | Male       | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34      | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+       | 18-34      | 35-54      | 55+          | AB         | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands      | Single     | Married /Co-hab iting |             | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |
| Unweighted total   | 1156       | 552        | 604        | 138        | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135       | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290        | 669                   | 197         | 1156                           |
| Weighted total   | 1156       | 561        | 595        | 173        | 183        | 216        | 186        | 169        | 117        | 111       | 356        | 402        | 398          | 310        | 333        | 241        | 272        | 642        | 514        | 407        | 411        | 358            | 306        | 681                   | 169         | 1156                           |
| <b>Effective Base</b>  | <b>801</b> | <b>391</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>98</b>  | <b>145</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b> | <b>236</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>222</b> | <b>401</b> | <b>413</b> | <b>312</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b> | <b>463</b>            | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b>                    |
| PC - desktop, laptop or other computer at home, place of work or study, or elsewhere   | 819        | 419        | 400        | 148        | 153        | 174        | 148        | 122        | 54         | 21        | 301        | 322        | 197          | 251        | 254        | 166        | 149        | 505        | 314        | 282        | 297        | 241            | 234        | 515                   | 71          | 756                            |
|  | 71%        | 75%        | 67%        | 86%        | 83%        | 81%        | 80%        | 72%        | 46%        | 18%       | 84%        | 80%        | 49%          | 81%        | 76%        | 69%        | 55%        | 79%        | 61%        | 73%        | 72%        | 67%            | 77%        | 76%                   | 42%         | 65%                            |
| Internet at home via 'dial up' modem   | 65         | 32         | 33         | 12         | 9          | 18         | 11         | 8          | 3          | 4         | 20         | 29         | 15           | 17         | 25         | 13         | 10         | 41         | 23         | 17         | 32         | 16             | 16         | 40                    | 9           | 66                             |
|  | 6%         | 6%         | 6%         | 7%         | 5%         | 8%         | 6%         | 5%         | 3%         | 4%        | 6%         | 7%         | 4%           | 5%         | 7%         | 6%         | 4%         | 6%         | 5%         | 5%         | 8%         | 4%             | 5%         | 6%                    | 5%          | 6%                             |
| Broadband internet at home via a high-speed, always-on connection (e.g. via ADSL or cable modem)   | 766        | 393        | 373        | 123        | 146        | 169        | 141        | 120        | 51         | 15        | 270        | 310        | 187          | 237        | 245        | 146        | 138        | 483        | 284        | 264        | 281        | 222            | 209        | 495                   | 62          | 702                            |
|  | 66%        | 70%        | 63%        | 71%        | 80%        | 78%        | 76%        | 71%        | 44%        | 14%       | 76%        | 77%        | 47%          | 77%        | 74%        | 61%        | 51%        | 75%        | 55%        | 68%        | 68%        | 62%            | 68%        | 73%                   | 37%         | 61%                            |
| Internet at work, place of study or elsewhere  | 390        | 209        | 181        | 80         | 77         | 82         | 86         | 52         | 14         | -         | 157        | 167        | 66           | 152        | 150        | 56         | 32         | 302        | 88         | 131        | 152        | 108            | 110        | 249                   | 31          | 330                            |
|  | 34%        | 37%        | 30%        | 46%        | 42%        | 38%        | 46%        | 30%        | 12%        | -         | 44%        | 42%        | 17%          | 49%        | 45%        | 23%        | 12%        | 47%        | 17%        | 34%        | 37%        | 30%            | 36%        | 37%                   | 18%         | 29%                            |
| Digital or multi-channel TV: that is you can watch channels in addition to BBC1, BBC2, ITV1, Channel 4 and five                                      | 848        | 404        | 444        | 119        | 133        | 152        | 164        | 132        | 85         | 62        | 252        | 316        | 279          | 241        | 243        | 178        | 184        | 485        | 363        | 289        | 307        | 251            | 210        | 525                   | 113         | 814                            |
|  | 73%        | 72%        | 75%        | 69%        | 73%        | 70%        | 88%        | 78%        | 72%        | 56%       | 71%        | 79%        | 70%          | 78%        | 73%        | 74%        | 68%        | 75%        | 71%        | 75%        | 75%        | 70%            | 69%        | 77%                   | 67%         | 70%                            |
| Interactive services on digital TV (e.g. games, shopping, banking or extra information accessed by pressing the 'red button' on your remote control) | 203        | 113        | 90         | 39         | 40         | 39         | 37         | 30         | 13         | 4         | 79         | 76         | 47           | 68         | 68         | 43         | 24         | 136        | 67         | 73         | 73         | 56             | 53         | 130                   | 20          | 187                            |
|  | 18%        | 20%        | 15%        | 23%        | 22%        | 18%        | 20%        | 18%        | 11%        | 4%        | 22%        | 19%        | 12%          | 22%        | 20%        | 18%        | 9%         | 21%        | 13%        | 19%        | 18%        | 16%            | 17%        | 19%                   | 12%         | 16%                            |
| Interactive TV services to obtain information to help plan and organise every day life (i.e. not for entertainment)                                  | 103        | 56         | 47         | 16         | 17         | 22         | 24         | 15         | 8          | 1         | 33         | 46         | 24           | 30         | 36         | 25         | 12         | 66         | 37         | 33         | 37         | 32             | 32         | 63                    | 8           | 88                             |
|  | 9%         | 10%        | 8%         | 9%         | 9%         | 10%        | 13%        | 9%         | 7%         | 1%        | 9%         | 11%        | 6%           | 10%        | 11%        | 10%        | 4%         | 10%        | 7%         | 9%         | 9%         | 9%             | 11%        | 9%                    | 4%          | 8%                             |
| None of these  | 108        | 51         | 57         | 1          | 4          | 18         | 6          | 16         | 21         | 41        | 6          | 24         | 79           | 19         | 28         | 20         | 41         | 47         | 61         | 30         | 36         | 41             | 15         | 50                    | 43          | 139                            |
|  | 9%         | 9%         | 10%        | 1%         | 2%         | 8%         | 3%         | 10%        | 18%        | 37%       | 2%         | 6%         | 20%          | 6%         | 8%         | 8%         | 15%        | 7%         | 12%        | 8%         | 9%         | 12%            | 5%         | 7%                    | 25%         | 12%                            |
| <b>Use internet anywhere</b>   | <b>826</b> | <b>423</b> | <b>403</b> | <b>145</b> | <b>160</b> | <b>178</b> | <b>150</b> | <b>122</b> | <b>54</b>  | <b>18</b> | <b>306</b> | <b>327</b> | <b>193</b>   | <b>244</b> | <b>266</b> | <b>160</b> | <b>156</b> | <b>510</b> | <b>316</b> | <b>284</b> | <b>300</b> | <b>242</b>     | <b>235</b> | <b>521</b>            | <b>70</b>   | <b>762</b>                     |
|  | 71%        | 75%        | 68%        | 84%        | 87%        | 82%        | 81%        | 72%        | 46%        | 16%       | 86%        | 82%        | 49%          | 79%        | 80%        | 66%        | 57%        | 79%        | 62%        | 73%        | 73%        | 68%            | 77%        | 76%                   | 42%         | 66%                            |

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## Q.28 Which of these, if any, do you personally use? And which others?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Working status           |                          |                         | Children in household    |                          | Newspaper readership     |                          |                          | Education                |                          |                              |                          | Ethnicity               |                          | GO Region               |                          |                         |                         |                         |                         |                          |                         |                          |                         | Unwtd total             |                         |                          |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
|  | Full time                | Part time                | Not working             | Yes                      | No                       | Quality                  | Popular                  | None                     | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12   | A-Level or equiv.        | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals.         | White                   | BME                      | South East              | Eastern                  | London                  | South West              | West Midlands           | East Midlands           | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West              | North East               | Wales                   |                         | Scotland                |                          |
| Unweighted total   | 1156                     | 425                      | 109                     | 622                      | 360                      | 234                      | 201                      | 445                      | 548                      | 318                      | 183                          | 258                      | 274                     | 1007                     | 146                     | 116                      | 102                     | 121                     | 102                     | 109                     | 71                       | 91                      | 122                      | 68                      | 97                      | 157                     | 1156                     |
| Weighted total   | 1156                     | 520                      | 109                     | 527                      | 372                      | 287                      | 253                      | 423                      | 522                      | 320                      | 213                          | 287                      | 219                     | 1054                     | 100                     | 162                      | 110                     | 147                     | 103                     | 104                     | 87                       | 101                     | 134                      | 51                      | 58                      | 102                     | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>  | <b>801</b>               | <b>306</b>               | <b>78</b>               | <b>438</b>               | <b>245</b>               | <b>163</b>               | <b>143</b>               | <b>313</b>               | <b>382</b>               | <b>224</b>               | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>               | <b>201</b>              | <b>703</b>               | <b>115</b>              | <b>90</b>                | <b>72</b>               | <b>86</b>               | <b>79</b>               | <b>75</b>               | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>               | <b>90</b>                | <b>51</b>               | <b>76</b>               | <b>118</b>              | <b>1156</b>              |
| PC - desktop, laptop or other computer at home, place of work or study, or elsewhere   | 819<br>71%               | 450<br>87%               | 86<br>79%               | 283<br>54%               | 305<br>82%               | 233<br>81%               | 208<br>82%               | 289<br>68%               | 361<br>69%               | 239<br>75%               | 176<br>83%                   | 257<br>90%               | 61<br>28%               | 752<br>71%               | 66<br>66%               | 134<br>83%               | 77<br>71%               | 93<br>63%               | 70<br>68%               | 77<br>74%               | 53<br>62%                | 76<br>76%               | 88<br>65%                | 41<br>80%               | 34<br>59%               | 77<br>76%               | 756<br>65%               |
| Internet at home via 'dial up' modem   | 65<br>6%                 | 33<br>6%                 | 9<br>8%                 | 23<br>4%                 | 30<br>8%                 | 18<br>6%                 | 14<br>6%                 | 20<br>5%                 | 32<br>6%                 | 17<br>5%                 | 23<br>11%                    | 15<br>5%                 | 6<br>3%                 | 56<br>5%                 | 9<br>9%                 | 8<br>5%                  | 7<br>7%                 | 19<br>13%               | 4<br>4%                 | 8<br>7%                 | -<br>-                   | 10<br>10%               | *<br>*                   | 3<br>5%                 | 1<br>1%                 | 4<br>4%                 | 66<br>6%                 |
| Broadband internet at home via a high-speed, always-on connection (e.g. via ADSL or cable modem)   | 766<br>66%               | 420<br>81%               | 80<br>73%               | 266<br>50%               | 289<br>78%               | 211<br>74%               | 194<br>77%               | 259<br>61%               | 349<br>67%               | 215<br>67%               | 171<br>80%                   | 240<br>84%               | 62<br>28%               | 712<br>68%               | 53<br>53%               | 128<br>79%               | 78<br>71%               | 88<br>60%               | 65<br>63%               | 64<br>62%               | 47<br>54%                | 65<br>64%               | 96<br>72%                | 33<br>64%               | 33<br>57%               | 70<br>69%               | 702<br>61%               |
| Internet at work, place of study or elsewhere  | 390<br>34%               | 271<br>52%               | 48<br>44%               | 71<br>13%                | 140<br>38%               | 115<br>40%               | 124<br>49%               | 111<br>26%               | 177<br>34%               | 74<br>23%                | 97<br>45%                    | 169<br>59%               | 15<br>7%                | 371<br>35%               | 19<br>19%               | 79<br>49%                | 35<br>32%               | 41<br>28%               | 32<br>31%               | 32<br>30%               | 29<br>34%                | 33<br>32%               | 38<br>28%                | 17<br>34%               | 13<br>22%               | 43<br>42%               | 330<br>29%               |
| Digital or multi-channel TV: that is you can watch channels in addition to BBC1, BBC2, ITV1, Channel 4 and five                                      | 848<br>73%               | 405<br>78%               | 82<br>75%               | 361<br>68%               | 281<br>76%               | 217<br>76%               | 201<br>80%               | 296<br>70%               | 386<br>74%               | 250<br>78%               | 161<br>75%                   | 226<br>79%               | 124<br>57%              | 797<br>76%               | 50<br>50%               | 135<br>83%               | 82<br>75%               | 90<br>62%               | 82<br>80%               | 68<br>65%               | 56<br>65%                | 76<br>75%               | 96<br>72%                | 41<br>81%               | 45<br>78%               | 76<br>75%               | 814<br>70%               |
| Interactive services on digital TV (e.g. games, shopping, banking or extra information accessed by pressing the 'red button' on your remote control) | 203<br>18%               | 122<br>23%               | 18<br>17%               | 63<br>12%                | 74<br>20%                | 51<br>18%                | 66<br>26%                | 60<br>14%                | 90<br>17%                | 46<br>15%                | 59<br>28%                    | 64<br>22%                | 18<br>8%                | 192<br>18%               | 11<br>11%               | 31<br>19%                | 18<br>16%               | 22<br>15%               | 20<br>20%               | 20<br>19%               | 14<br>17%                | 15<br>15%               | 31<br>23%                | 10<br>20%               | 4<br>7%                 | 17<br>17%               | 187<br>16%               |
| Interactive TV services to obtain information to help plan and organise every day life (i.e. not for entertainment)                                  | 103<br>9%                | 66<br>13%                | 10<br>9%                | 26<br>5%                 | 33<br>9%                 | 43<br>15%                | 33<br>13%                | 37<br>9%                 | 39<br>8%                 | 28<br>9%                 | 37<br>17%                    | 21<br>7%                 | 9<br>4%                 | 99<br>9%                 | 3<br>3%                 | 12<br>7%                 | 4<br>3%                 | 15<br>10%               | 10<br>10%               | 9<br>9%                 | 13<br>15%                | 10<br>10%               | 10<br>8%                 | 4<br>8%                 | 7<br>12%                | 9<br>9%                 | 88<br>8%                 |
| None of these  | 108<br>9%                | 25<br>5%                 | 2<br>2%                 | 82<br>15%                | 18<br>5%                 | 10<br>4%                 | 17<br>7%                 | 44<br>10%                | 48<br>9%                 | 17<br>5%                 | 8<br>4%                      | 7<br>2%                  | 66<br>30%               | 92<br>9%                 | 16<br>16%               | 8<br>5%                  | 9<br>8%                 | 21<br>14%               | 7<br>7%                 | 8<br>7%                 | 20<br>23%                | 7<br>7%                 | 11<br>8%                 | 4<br>8%                 | 5<br>8%                 | 9<br>9%                 | 139<br>12%               |
| <b>Use internet anywhere</b>   | <b>826</b><br><b>71%</b> | <b>451</b><br><b>87%</b> | <b>89</b><br><b>81%</b> | <b>287</b><br><b>54%</b> | <b>304</b><br><b>82%</b> | <b>232</b><br><b>81%</b> | <b>205</b><br><b>81%</b> | <b>282</b><br><b>67%</b> | <b>377</b><br><b>72%</b> | <b>235</b><br><b>73%</b> | <b>183</b><br><b>86%</b>     | <b>260</b><br><b>91%</b> | <b>64</b><br><b>29%</b> | <b>766</b><br><b>73%</b> | <b>60</b><br><b>60%</b> | <b>133</b><br><b>82%</b> | <b>82</b><br><b>75%</b> | <b>97</b><br><b>66%</b> | <b>70</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>75</b><br><b>72%</b> | <b>50</b><br><b>58%</b>  | <b>70</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>102</b><br><b>76%</b> | <b>37</b><br><b>73%</b> | <b>36</b><br><b>62%</b> | <b>75</b><br><b>73%</b> | <b>762</b><br><b>66%</b> |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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### Q.28 Which of these, if any, do you personally use? And which others?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Urbanity                 |                          |                         | Interest in politics     |                          | Likelihood to vote       |                          | Political activism       |                          | Opinion on present system |                          | Knew local MP            |                          | Unwtd total              |                          |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|  | Total                    | Urban                    | Rural                   | Mixed                    | Interested               | Not interested           | Certain to               | Certain not to           | Activist                 | Non-activist              | Works well               | Needs improvement        | Yes                      |                          | No                       |
| Unweighted total   | 1156                     | 773                      | 145                     | 238                      | 580                      | 569                      | 627                      | 143                      | 160                      | 996                       | 327                      | 783                      | 495                      | 661                      | 1156                     |
| Weighted total   | 1156                     | 784                      | 136                     | 235                      | 611                      | 539                      | 619                      | 140                      | 180                      | 976                       | 322                      | 793                      | 511                      | 645                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>  | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b>               | <b>97</b>               | <b>170</b>               | <b>404</b>               | <b>394</b>               | <b>430</b>               | <b>96</b>                | <b>118</b>               | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b>               | <b>543</b>               | <b>339</b>               | <b>464</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| PC - desktop, laptop or other computer at home, place of work or study, or elsewhere   | 819<br>71%               | 572<br>73%               | 83<br>61%               | 165<br>70%               | 465<br>76%               | 350<br>65%               | 426<br>69%               | 95<br>68%                | 155<br>86%               | 664<br>68%                | 237<br>74%               | 559<br>70%               | 346<br>68%               | 473<br>73%               | 756<br>65%               |
| Internet at home via 'dial up' modem   | 65<br>6%                 | 52<br>7%                 | 6<br>4%                 | 6<br>3%                  | 38<br>6%                 | 25<br>5%                 | 32<br>5%                 | 8<br>6%                  | 13<br>7%                 | 52<br>5%                  | 25<br>8%                 | 39<br>5%                 | 37<br>7%                 | 27<br>4%                 | 66<br>6%                 |
| Broadband internet at home via a high-speed, always-on connection (e.g. via ADSL or cable modem)   | 766<br>66%               | 532<br>68%               | 79<br>58%               | 156<br>66%               | 442<br>72%               | 320<br>59%               | 404<br>65%               | 94<br>67%                | 153<br>85%               | 613<br>63%                | 215<br>67%               | 530<br>67%               | 327<br>64%               | 439<br>68%               | 702<br>61%               |
| Internet at work, place of study or elsewhere  | 390<br>34%               | 280<br>36%               | 43<br>32%               | 67<br>29%                | 263<br>43%               | 128<br>24%               | 216<br>35%               | 27<br>20%                | 104<br>58%               | 286<br>29%                | 113<br>35%               | 272<br>34%               | 162<br>32%               | 228<br>35%               | 330<br>29%               |
| Digital or multi-channel TV: that is you can watch channels in addition to BBC1, BBC2, ITV1, Channel 4 and five                                      | 848<br>73%               | 556<br>71%               | 114<br>84%              | 177<br>75%               | 463<br>76%               | 380<br>71%               | 474<br>77%               | 93<br>67%                | 150<br>83%               | 698<br>71%                | 221<br>69%               | 606<br>76%               | 392<br>77%               | 456<br>71%               | 814<br>70%               |
| Interactive services on digital TV (e.g. games, shopping, banking or extra information accessed by pressing the 'red button' on your remote control) | 203<br>18%               | 143<br>18%               | 19<br>14%               | 42<br>18%                | 137<br>23%               | 65<br>12%                | 119<br>19%               | 23<br>17%                | 53<br>29%                | 150<br>15%                | 63<br>19%                | 139<br>17%               | 100<br>20%               | 103<br>16%               | 187<br>16%               |
| Interactive TV services to obtain information to help plan and organise every day life (i.e. not for entertainment)                                  | 103<br>9%                | 59<br>7%                 | 15<br>11%               | 30<br>13%                | 69<br>11%                | 34<br>6%                 | 65<br>11%                | 10<br>7%                 | 28<br>16%                | 74<br>8%                  | 24<br>8%                 | 78<br>10%                | 46<br>9%                 | 56<br>9%                 | 88<br>8%                 |
| None of these  | 108<br>9%                | 77<br>10%                | 10<br>7%                | 21<br>9%                 | 55<br>9%                 | 54<br>10%                | 74<br>12%                | 8<br>6%                  | 9<br>5%                  | 99<br>10%                 | 30<br>9%                 | 67<br>8%                 | 55<br>11%                | 53<br>8%                 | 139<br>12%               |
| <b>Use internet anywhere</b>   | <b>826</b><br><b>71%</b> | <b>569</b><br><b>73%</b> | <b>87</b><br><b>64%</b> | <b>170</b><br><b>72%</b> | <b>471</b><br><b>77%</b> | <b>352</b><br><b>65%</b> | <b>426</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>101</b><br><b>73%</b> | <b>160</b><br><b>89%</b> | <b>666</b><br><b>68%</b>  | <b>233</b><br><b>72%</b> | <b>571</b><br><b>72%</b> | <b>346</b><br><b>68%</b> | <b>480</b><br><b>74%</b> | <b>762</b><br><b>66%</b> |

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### Q.28 Which of these, if any, do you personally use? And which others?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Quiz score               |                          |                          | Satisfaction with local MP |                          | Satisfaction with MPs in general |                          | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |                          | Use of internet          |                           | Unwtd total          |                          |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
|  | Total                    | Scored 0-3               | Scored 4-6               | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied                | Dissatisfied                           | Agree                    | Disagree                 | Use internet              |                      | Do not use internet      |
| Unweighted total   | 1156                     | 210                      | 463                      | 483                        | 459                      | 183                              | 349                      | 502                                    | 438                      | 450                      | 762                       | 394                  | 1156                     |
| Weighted total   | 1156                     | 187                      | 470                      | 499                        | 444                      | 190                              | 336                      | 515                                    | 427                      | 474                      | 826                       | 330                  | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>  | <b>801</b>               | <b>150</b>               | <b>310</b>               | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b>               | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b>               | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b>               | <b>302</b>               | <b>540</b>                | <b>269</b>           | <b>1156</b>              |
| PC - desktop, laptop or other computer at home, place of work or study, or elsewhere   | 819<br>71%               | 113<br>60%               | 306<br>65%               | 400<br>80%                 | 297<br>67%               | 122<br>64%                       | 236<br>70%               | 344<br>67%                             | 300<br>70%               | 344<br>73%               | 777<br>94%                | 43<br>13%            | 756<br>65%               |
| Internet at home via 'dial up' modem   | 65<br>6%                 | 13<br>7%                 | 19<br>4%                 | 32<br>6%                   | 28<br>6%                 | 11<br>6%                         | 21<br>6%                 | 25<br>5%                               | 29<br>7%                 | 27<br>6%                 | 65<br>8%                  | -<br>-               | 66<br>6%                 |
| Broadband internet at home via a high-speed, always-on connection (e.g. via ADSL or cable modem)   | 766<br>66%               | 98<br>52%                | 278<br>59%               | 390<br>78%                 | 268<br>60%               | 124<br>66%                       | 218<br>65%               | 331<br>64%                             | 281<br>66%               | 328<br>69%               | 766<br>93%                | -<br>-               | 702<br>61%               |
| Internet at work, place of study or elsewhere  | 390<br>34%               | 23<br>12%                | 137<br>29%               | 230<br>46%                 | 143<br>32%               | 58<br>30%                        | 101<br>30%               | 176<br>34%                             | 143<br>34%               | 159<br>34%               | 390<br>47%                | -<br>-               | 330<br>29%               |
| Digital or multi-channel TV: that is you can watch channels in addition to BBC1, BBC2, ITV1, Channel 4 and five                                      | 848<br>73%               | 108<br>58%               | 334<br>71%               | 405<br>81%                 | 335<br>76%               | 145<br>76%                       | 246<br>73%               | 389<br>76%                             | 310<br>73%               | 364<br>77%               | 660<br>80%                | 187<br>57%           | 814<br>70%               |
| Interactive services on digital TV (e.g. games, shopping, banking or extra information accessed by pressing the 'red button' on your remote control) | 203<br>18%               | 20<br>10%                | 63<br>13%                | 120<br>24%                 | 76<br>17%                | 41<br>22%                        | 49<br>15%                | 91<br>18%                              | 81<br>19%                | 75<br>16%                | 190<br>23%                | 13<br>4%             | 187<br>16%               |
| Interactive TV services to obtain information to help plan and organise every day life (i.e. not for entertainment)                                  | 103<br>9%                | 8<br>4%                  | 37<br>8%                 | 58<br>12%                  | 42<br>10%                | 20<br>10%                        | 29<br>9%                 | 56<br>11%                              | 42<br>10%                | 32<br>7%                 | 85<br>10%                 | 18<br>5%             | 88<br>8%                 |
| None of these  | 108<br>9%                | 29<br>16%                | 51<br>11%                | 28<br>6%                   | 39<br>9%                 | 19<br>10%                        | 31<br>9%                 | 54<br>10%                              | 42<br>10%                | 36<br>8%                 | -<br>-                    | 108<br>33%           | 139<br>12%               |
| <b>Use internet anywhere</b>   | <b>826</b><br><b>71%</b> | <b>108</b><br><b>58%</b> | <b>309</b><br><b>66%</b> | <b>409</b><br><b>82%</b>   | <b>291</b><br><b>66%</b> | <b>135</b><br><b>71%</b>         | <b>232</b><br><b>69%</b> | <b>359</b><br><b>70%</b>               | <b>302</b><br><b>71%</b> | <b>352</b><br><b>74%</b> | <b>826</b><br><b>100%</b> | <b>-</b><br><b>-</b> | <b>762</b><br><b>66%</b> |

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### Q.28 Which of these, if any, do you personally use? And which others?

Base : All respondents age 18+

|  | Seat marginality         |                          |                          |                          |                          | Segment                  |                          |                          |                          |                         |                         |                          | Unwtd total             |                          |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
|  | Total                    | Less than 5% majority    | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%)  | Safe (>20%)              | Politically committed    | Active campaigners       | Interested bystanders    | Detached cynics          | Politically contented   | Bored/apathetic         | Disengaged/mistrustful   |                         | Alienated/hostile        |
| Unweighted total   | 1156                     | 163                      | 351                      | 386                      | 419                      | 96                       | 142                      | 146                      | 228                      | 62                      | 93                      | 287                      | 102                     | 1156                     |
| Weighted total   | 1156                     | 175                      | 373                      | 396                      | 387                      | 116                      | 157                      | 159                      | 191                      | 66                      | 92                      | 277                      | 99                      | 1156                     |
| <b>Effective Base</b>  | <b>801</b>               | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>               | <b>263</b>               | <b>290</b>               | <b>72</b>                | <b>101</b>               | <b>92</b>                | <b>160</b>               | <b>49</b>               | <b>66</b>               | <b>209</b>               | <b>63</b>               | <b>1156</b>              |
| PC - desktop, laptop or other computer at home, place of work or study, or elsewhere   | 819<br>71%               | 136<br>78%               | 278<br>75%               | 281<br>71%               | 261<br>67%               | 102<br>88%               | 127<br>81%               | 120<br>75%               | 101<br>53%               | 49<br>74%               | 59<br>65%               | 203<br>73%               | 59<br>60%               | 756<br>65%               |
| Internet at home via 'dial up' modem   | 65<br>6%                 | 8<br>5%                  | 29<br>8%                 | 22<br>5%                 | 14<br>4%                 | 8<br>7%                  | 6<br>4%                  | 11<br>7%                 | 4<br>2%                  | 1<br>2%                 | 12<br>13%               | 15<br>5%                 | 7<br>7%                 | 66<br>6%                 |
| Broadband internet at home via a high-speed, always-on connection (e.g. via ADSL or cable modem)   | 766<br>66%               | 125<br>71%               | 259<br>69%               | 278<br>70%               | 229<br>59%               | 101<br>87%               | 117<br>75%               | 110<br>69%               | 104<br>54%               | 46<br>69%               | 49<br>54%               | 182<br>66%               | 57<br>58%               | 702<br>61%               |
| Internet at work, place of study or elsewhere  | 390<br>34%               | 76<br>44%                | 143<br>38%               | 132<br>33%               | 115<br>30%               | 64<br>55%                | 90<br>58%                | 57<br>36%                | 34<br>18%                | 24<br>36%               | 13<br>14%               | 93<br>34%                | 16<br>16%               | 330<br>29%               |
| Digital or multi-channel TV: that is you can watch channels in addition to BBC1, BBC2, ITV1, Channel 4 and five                                      | 848<br>73%               | 144<br>82%               | 296<br>80%               | 287<br>72%               | 264<br>68%               | 95<br>82%                | 133<br>85%               | 127<br>80%               | 138<br>72%               | 43<br>66%               | 60<br>65%               | 195<br>70%               | 57<br>58%               | 814<br>70%               |
| Interactive services on digital TV (e.g. games, shopping, banking or extra information accessed by pressing the 'red button' on your remote control) | 203<br>18%               | 31<br>18%                | 78<br>21%                | 63<br>16%                | 62<br>16%                | 31<br>27%                | 44<br>28%                | 37<br>23%                | 18<br>9%                 | 13<br>19%               | 17<br>18%               | 34<br>12%                | 9<br>9%                 | 187<br>16%               |
| Interactive TV services to obtain information to help plan and organise every day life (i.e. not for entertainment)                                  | 103<br>9%                | 20<br>11%                | 39<br>10%                | 30<br>8%                 | 34<br>9%                 | 17<br>15%                | 19<br>12%                | 20<br>12%                | 12<br>6%                 | 7<br>11%                | 6<br>6%                 | 19<br>7%                 | 3<br>3%                 | 88<br>8%                 |
| None of these  | 108<br>9%                | 9<br>5%                  | 23<br>6%                 | 41<br>10%                | 45<br>12%                | 7<br>6%                  | 10<br>6%                 | 11<br>7%                 | 36<br>19%                | 5<br>7%                 | 10<br>11%               | 18<br>6%                 | 13<br>13%               | 139<br>12%               |
| <b>Use internet anywhere</b>   | <b>826</b><br><b>71%</b> | <b>134</b><br><b>77%</b> | <b>275</b><br><b>74%</b> | <b>299</b><br><b>75%</b> | <b>252</b><br><b>65%</b> | <b>104</b><br><b>90%</b> | <b>125</b><br><b>80%</b> | <b>118</b><br><b>74%</b> | <b>107</b><br><b>56%</b> | <b>49</b><br><b>75%</b> | <b>55</b><br><b>60%</b> | <b>206</b><br><b>75%</b> | <b>62</b><br><b>63%</b> | <b>762</b><br><b>66%</b> |

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### Urbanity

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Gender     |            | Age        |            |            |            |            |            |            |           |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |            |                       | Unwtd total |                                |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|------------|-----------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|
|                       | Total      | Male       | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34      | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+       | 18-34      | 35-54      | 55+          | AB         | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands      | Single     | Married /Co-hab iting |             | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |
| Unweighted total      | 1156       | 552        | 604        | 138        | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135       | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290        | 669                   | 197         | 1156                           |
| Weighted total        | 1156       | 561        | 595        | 173        | 183        | 216        | 186        | 169        | 117        | 111       | 356        | 402        | 398          | 310        | 333        | 241        | 272        | 642        | 514        | 387        | 411        | 358            | 306        | 681                   | 169         | 1156                           |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b> | <b>391</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>98</b>  | <b>145</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b> | <b>236</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>222</b> | <b>401</b> | <b>413</b> | <b>312</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b> | <b>463</b>            | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b>                    |
| Urban                 | 784<br>68% | 388<br>69% | 397<br>67% | 128<br>74% | 143<br>78% | 149<br>69% | 124<br>67% | 105<br>62% | 71<br>61%  | 64<br>57% | 271<br>76% | 273<br>68% | 240<br>60%   | 216<br>70% | 229<br>69% | 157<br>65% | 182<br>67% | 445<br>69% | 339<br>66% | 255<br>66% | 310<br>76% | 219<br>61%     | 234<br>77% | 445<br>65%            | 105<br>62%  | 773<br>67%                     |
| Rural                 | 136<br>12% | 66<br>12%  | 70<br>12%  | 13<br>8%   | 17<br>9%   | 22<br>10%  | 27<br>15%  | 21<br>13%  | 19<br>16%  | 16<br>15% | 31<br>9%   | 49<br>12%  | 57<br>14%    | 33<br>11%  | 39<br>12%  | 33<br>14%  | 32<br>12%  | 71<br>11%  | 65<br>13%  | 52<br>14%  | 41<br>10%  | 42<br>12%      | 24<br>8%   | 96<br>14%             | 16<br>10%   | 145<br>13%                     |
| Mixed                 | 235<br>20% | 107<br>19% | 128<br>22% | 32<br>18%  | 23<br>13%  | 45<br>21%  | 35<br>19%  | 43<br>26%  | 27<br>23%  | 31<br>28% | 55<br>15%  | 79<br>20%  | 101<br>25%   | 60<br>20%  | 65<br>20%  | 51<br>21%  | 59<br>22%  | 125<br>20% | 110<br>21% | 79<br>20%  | 59<br>14%  | 97<br>27%      | 48<br>16%  | 140<br>21%            | 48<br>28%   | 238<br>21%                     |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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## Urbanity

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity  |            | GO Region  |           |           |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           | Unwtd total |            |             |
|-----------------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|                       | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME        | South East | Eastern   | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland   |             |
| Unweighted total      | <b>1156</b>    | 425        | 109         | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548                    | 318               | 183                          | 258              | 274        | 1007       | 146        | 116       | 102       | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68        | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | <b>1156</b>    | 520        | 109         | 527                   | 372        | 287                  | 253        | 423        | 522                    | 320               | 213                          | 287              | 219        | 1054       | 100        | 162       | 110       | 147        | 103           | 104           | 87                       | 101        | 134        | 51        | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>78</b>   | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b> | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b>             | <b>224</b>        | <b>123</b>                   | <b>188</b>       | <b>201</b> | <b>703</b> | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b> | <b>72</b> | <b>86</b>  | <b>79</b>     | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>                | <b>71</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b> | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| Urban                 | <b>784</b>     | 360        | 76          | 348                   | 272        | 199                  | 185        | 291        | 340                    | 201               | 155                          | 218              | 141        | 687        | 95         | 109       | 65        | 147        | 55            | 69            | 59                       | 75         | 95         | 27        | 25          | 58         | 773         |
|                       | <b>68%</b>     | 69%        | 70%         | 66%                   | 73%        | 69%                  | 73%        | 69%        | 65%                    | 63%               | 73%                          | 76%              | 64%        | 65%        | 95%        | 67%       | 59%       | 100%       | 54%           | 67%           | 68%                      | 74%        | 71%        | 54%       | 44%         | 57%        | 67%         |
| Rural                 | <b>136</b>     | 56         | 12          | 69                    | 37         | 32                   | 26         | 48         | 70                     | 39                | 23                           | 26               | 39         | 136        | 1          | 13        | 15        | -          | 29            | 5             | 13                       | 11         | 8          | 9         | 9           | 25         | 145         |
|                       | <b>12%</b>     | 11%        | 11%         | 13%                   | 10%        | 11%                  | 10%        | 11%        | 13%                    | 12%               | 11%                          | 9%               | 18%        | 13%        | 1%         | 8%        | 14%       | -          | 28%           | 5%            | 15%                      | 11%        | 6%         | 17%       | 16%         | 25%        | 13%         |
| Mixed                 | <b>235</b>     | 104        | 21          | 110                   | 63         | 56                   | 42         | 85         | 112                    | 80                | 35                           | 43               | 40         | 231        | 4          | 40        | 29        | -          | 19            | 30            | 15                       | 15         | 31         | 15        | 23          | 18         | 238         |
|                       | <b>20%</b>     | 20%        | 20%         | 21%                   | 17%        | 19%                  | 17%        | 20%        | 22%                    | 25%               | 17%                          | 15%              | 18%        | 22%        | 4%         | 25%       | 27%       | -          | 19%           | 29%           | 17%                      | 15%        | 23%        | 29%       | 39%         | 18%        | 21%         |

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### Urbanity

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Urbanity    |            |           | Interest in politics |            | Likelihood to vote |            | Political activism |            | Opinion on present system |            | Knew local MP     |            | Unwtd total |             |
|-----------------------|-------------|------------|-----------|----------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|---------------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
|                       | Total       | Urban      | Rural     | Mixed                | Interested | Not interested     | Certain to | Certain not to     | Activist   | Non-activist              | Works well | Needs improvement | Yes        |             | No          |
| Unweighted total      | <b>1156</b> | 773        | 145       | 238                  | 580        | 569                | 627        | 143                | 160        | 996                       | 327        | 783               | 495        | 661         | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | <b>1156</b> | 784        | 136       | 235                  | 611        | 539                | 619        | 140                | 180        | 976                       | 322        | 793               | 511        | 645         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>  | <b>535</b> | <b>97</b> | <b>170</b>           | <b>404</b> | <b>394</b>         | <b>430</b> | <b>96</b>          | <b>118</b> | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b> | <b>543</b>        | <b>339</b> | <b>464</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| Urban                 | <b>784</b>  | 784        | -         | -                    | 409        | 369                | 410        | 92                 | 123        | 661                       | 236        | 510               | 352        | 432         | 773         |
|                       | <b>68%</b>  | 100%       | -         | -                    | 67%        | 68%                | 66%        | 66%                | 68%        | 68%                       | 74%        | 64%               | 69%        | 67%         | 67%         |
| Rural                 | <b>136</b>  | -          | 136       | -                    | 83         | 54                 | 79         | 17                 | 25         | 112                       | 30         | 105               | 55         | 81          | 145         |
|                       | <b>12%</b>  | -          | 100%      | -                    | 14%        | 10%                | 13%        | 12%                | 14%        | 11%                       | 9%         | 13%               | 11%        | 13%         | 13%         |
| Mixed                 | <b>235</b>  | -          | -         | 235                  | 119        | 116                | 130        | 31                 | 32         | 203                       | 55         | 179               | 104        | 132         | 238         |
|                       | <b>20%</b>  | -          | -         | 100%                 | 19%        | 22%                | 21%        | 22%                | 18%        | 21%                       | 17%        | 23%               | 20%        | 20%         | 21%         |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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### Urbanity

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Quiz score |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |            | Satisfaction with MPs in general |            | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |              | Unwtd total |                     |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|--|------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
|                       | Total      | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                           | Agree      | Disagree        | Use internet |             | Do not use internet |
| Unweighted total      | 1156       | 210        | 463        | 483                        | 459        | 183                              | 349        | 502                                    | 438        | 450             | 762          | 394         | 1156                |
| Weighted total        | 1156       | 187        | 470        | 499                        | 444        | 190                              | 336        | 515                                    | 427        | 474             | 826          | 330         | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b> | <b>150</b> | <b>310</b> | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b> | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b> | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b> | <b>302</b>      | <b>540</b>   | <b>269</b>  | <b>1156</b>         |
| Urban                 | 784<br>68% | 145<br>78% | 305<br>65% | 334<br>67%                 | 301<br>68% | 131<br>69%                       | 238<br>71% | 324<br>63%                             | 285<br>67% | 320<br>68%      | 569<br>69%   | 215<br>65%  | 773<br>67%          |
| Rural                 | 136<br>12% | 12<br>7%   | 53<br>11%  | 71<br>14%                  | 56<br>13%  | 16<br>8%                         | 33<br>10%  | 67<br>13%                              | 53<br>13%  | 60<br>13%       | 87<br>11%    | 49<br>15%   | 145<br>13%          |
| Mixed                 | 235<br>20% | 30<br>16%  | 111<br>24% | 94<br>19%                  | 86<br>19%  | 44<br>23%                        | 65<br>19%  | 124<br>24%                             | 88<br>21%  | 94<br>20%       | 170<br>21%   | 65<br>20%   | 238<br>21%          |

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### Urbanity

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                       | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |             |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                       | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |             |
| Unweighted total      | 1156                  | 163                      | 351                     | 386         | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146             | 228                   | 62              | 93                     | 287               | 102         | 1156        |
| Weighted total        | 1156                  | 175                      | 373                     | 396         | 387                   | 116                | 157                   | 159             | 191                   | 66              | 92                     | 277               | 99          | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b> | <b>801</b>            | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>              | <b>263</b>  | <b>290</b>            | <b>72</b>          | <b>101</b>            | <b>92</b>       | <b>160</b>            | <b>49</b>       | <b>66</b>              | <b>209</b>        | <b>63</b>   | <b>1156</b> |
| Urban                 | 784                   | 127                      | 268                     | 283         | 234                   | 79                 | 109                   | 99              | 121                   | 49              | 69                     | 188               | 70          | 773         |
|                       | 68%                   | 72%                      | 72%                     | 71%         | 60%                   | 68%                | 69%                   | 62%             | 63%                   | 75%             | 75%                    | 68%               | 71%         | 67%         |
| Rural                 | 136                   | 24                       | 58                      | 32          | 46                    | 15                 | 17                    | 26              | 23                    | 7               | 7                      | 32                | 10          | 145         |
|                       | 12%                   | 14%                      | 16%                     | 8%          | 12%                   | 13%                | 11%                   | 16%             | 12%                   | 10%             | 8%                     | 11%               | 10%         | 13%         |
| Mixed                 | 235                   | 24                       | 47                      | 81          | 108                   | 22                 | 31                    | 34              | 47                    | 10              | 15                     | 58                | 19          | 238         |
|                       | 20%                   | 14%                      | 13%                     | 20%         | 28%                   | 19%                | 20%                   | 21%             | 25%                   | 15%             | 16%                    | 21%               | 19%         | 21%         |

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### Segment

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                        | Gender            |            | Age        |           |            |            |            |            |            |           |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------------|-------------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                        | Male              | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34     | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34     | 35-54      | 55+        | AB           | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands  | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| Unweighted total       | <b>1156</b>       | 552        | 604        | 138       | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135       | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |
| Weighted total         | <b>1156</b>       | 561        | 595        | 173       | 183        | 216        | 186        | 169        | 117        | 111       | 356        | 402        | 398          | 310        | 333        | 241        | 272        | 642        | 514        | 387        | 411        | 358            | 306                   | 681                            | 169         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>  | <b>801</b>        | <b>391</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>98</b> | <b>145</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>105</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>87</b> | <b>236</b> | <b>252</b> | <b>323</b>   | <b>161</b> | <b>256</b> | <b>191</b> | <b>222</b> | <b>401</b> | <b>413</b> | <b>312</b> | <b>250</b> | <b>251</b>     | <b>203</b>            | <b>463</b>                     | <b>139</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| Politically committed  | <b>116</b><br>10% | 51<br>9%   | 64<br>11%  | 10<br>6%  | 7<br>4%    | 19<br>9%   | 32<br>17%  | 29<br>17%  | 12<br>11%  | 5<br>4%   | 18<br>5%   | 51<br>13%  | 47<br>12%    | 68<br>22%  | 29<br>9%   | 11<br>5%   | 7<br>3%    | 97<br>15%  | 19<br>4%   | 26<br>7%   | 57<br>14%  | 32<br>9%       | 16<br>5%              | 87<br>13%                      | 13<br>8%    | 96<br>8%    |
| Active campaigners     | <b>157</b><br>14% | 74<br>13%  | 82<br>14%  | 14<br>8%  | 20<br>11%  | 25<br>12%  | 40<br>21%  | 26<br>15%  | 21<br>18%  | 11<br>10% | 35<br>10%  | 65<br>16%  | 57<br>14%    | 70<br>23%  | 53<br>16%  | 16<br>7%   | 18<br>7%   | 123<br>19% | 34<br>7%   | 47<br>12%  | 67<br>16%  | 43<br>12%      | 29<br>9%              | 106<br>16%                     | 22<br>13%   | 142<br>12%  |
| Interested bystanders  | <b>159</b><br>14% | 81<br>14%  | 79<br>13%  | 11<br>6%  | 18<br>10%  | 16<br>8%   | 34<br>18%  | 45<br>26%  | 19<br>16%  | 17<br>15% | 29<br>8%   | 50<br>12%  | 80<br>20%    | 56<br>18%  | 47<br>14%  | 33<br>14%  | 23<br>8%   | 103<br>16% | 56<br>11%  | 40<br>10%  | 61<br>15%  | 58<br>16%      | 25<br>8%              | 114<br>17%                     | 20<br>12%   | 146<br>13%  |
| Detached cynics        | <b>191</b><br>17% | 90<br>16%  | 102<br>17% | 6<br>4%   | 20<br>11%  | 44<br>20%  | 22<br>12%  | 30<br>18%  | 32<br>28%  | 37<br>33% | 27<br>7%   | 65<br>16%  | 99<br>25%    | 25<br>8%   | 59<br>18%  | 46<br>19%  | 61<br>22%  | 84<br>13%  | 107<br>21% | 62<br>16%  | 68<br>16%  | 61<br>17%      | 27<br>9%              | 123<br>18%                     | 42<br>25%   | 228<br>20%  |
| Politically contented  | <b>66</b><br>6%   | 30<br>5%   | 36<br>6%   | 8<br>4%   | 12<br>7%   | 7<br>3%    | 12<br>7%   | 7<br>4%    | 7<br>6%    | 13<br>12% | 20<br>6%   | 19<br>5%   | 27<br>7%     | 28<br>9%   | 23<br>7%   | 6<br>3%    | 10<br>4%   | 50<br>8%   | 16<br>3%   | 23<br>6%   | 23<br>6%   | 21<br>6%       | 17<br>6%              | 35<br>5%                       | 13<br>8%    | 62<br>5%    |
| Bored/apathetic        | <b>92</b><br>8%   | 49<br>9%   | 43<br>7%   | 15<br>9%  | 20<br>11%  | 26<br>12%  | 4<br>2%    | 7<br>4%    | 10<br>9%   | 9<br>8%   | 36<br>10%  | 31<br>8%   | 26<br>6%     | 13<br>4%   | 21<br>6%   | 28<br>12%  | 29<br>11%  | 35<br>5%   | 57<br>11%  | 43<br>11%  | 30<br>7%   | 19<br>5%       | 33<br>11%             | 45<br>7%                       | 15<br>9%    | 93<br>8%    |
| Disengaged/mistrustful | <b>277</b><br>24% | 142<br>25% | 135<br>23% | 79<br>46% | 65<br>36%  | 60<br>28%  | 27<br>14%  | 19<br>11%  | 12<br>10%  | 15<br>13% | 145<br>41% | 87<br>22%  | 45<br>11%    | 39<br>12%  | 82<br>25%  | 73<br>30%  | 83<br>31%  | 121<br>19% | 157<br>30% | 100<br>26% | 83<br>20%  | 93<br>26%      | 121<br>39%            | 125<br>18%                     | 31<br>19%   | 287<br>25%  |
| Alienated/hostile      | <b>99</b><br>9%   | 45<br>8%   | 54<br>9%   | 29<br>17% | 19<br>11%  | 18<br>8%   | 15<br>8%   | 7<br>4%    | 4<br>3%    | 5<br>5%   | 49<br>14%  | 33<br>8%   | 17<br>4%     | 10<br>3%   | 19<br>6%   | 27<br>11%  | 42<br>15%  | 30<br>5%   | 69<br>13%  | 46<br>12%  | 22<br>5%   | 31<br>9%       | 39<br>13%             | 47<br>7%                       | 13<br>8%    | 102<br>9%   |

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### Segment

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                        | Working status |            |           | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education  |                        |                   |                              | Ethnicity        |            | GO Region  |            |           |           |            |               |               |                          |            |            | Unwtd total |            |             |
|------------------------|----------------|------------|-----------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|                        | Total          | Full time  | Part time | Not working           | Yes        | No                   | Quality    | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME        | South East | Eastern   | London    | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East |             | Wales      | Scotland    |
| Unweighted total       | <b>1156</b>    | 425        | 109       | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548        | 318                    | 183               | 258                          | 274              | 1007       | 146        | 116        | 102       | 121       | 102        | 109           | 71            | 91                       | 122        | 68         | 97          | 157        | 1156        |
| Weighted total         | <b>1156</b>    | 520        | 109       | 527                   | 372        | 287                  | 253        | 423        | 522        | 320                    | 213               | 287                          | 219              | 1054       | 100        | 162        | 110       | 147       | 103        | 104           | 87            | 101                      | 134        | 51         | 58          | 102        | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>  | <b>801</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>78</b> | <b>438</b>            | <b>245</b> | <b>163</b>           | <b>143</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>382</b> | <b>224</b>             | <b>123</b>        | <b>188</b>                   | <b>201</b>       | <b>703</b> | <b>115</b> | <b>90</b>  | <b>72</b> | <b>86</b> | <b>79</b>  | <b>75</b>     | <b>48</b>     | <b>71</b>                | <b>90</b>  | <b>51</b>  | <b>76</b>   | <b>118</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| Politically committed  | <b>116</b>     | 62         | 15        | 38                    | 34         | 18                   | 59         | 21         | 47         | 12                     | 25                | 65                           | 2                | 115        | 1          | 29         | 16        | 16        | 12         | 6             | 5             | 7                        | 2          | 7          | 5           | 10         | 96          |
|                        | <b>10%</b>     | 12%        | 13%       | 7%                    | 9%         | 6%                   | 23%        | 5%         | 9%         | 4%                     | 11%               | 23%                          | 1%               | 11%        | 1%         | 18%        | 15%       | 11%       | 11%        | 6%            | 6%            | 7%                       | 2%         | 14%        | 9%          | 9%         | 8%          |
| Active campaigners     | <b>157</b>     | 76         | 17        | 63                    | 45         | 27                   | 70         | 35         | 62         | 23                     | 32                | 74                           | 14               | 151        | 5          | 34         | 12        | 10        | 23         | 14            | 10            | 7                        | 17         | 7          | 7           | 16         | 142         |
|                        | <b>14%</b>     | 15%        | 16%       | 12%                   | 12%        | 10%                  | 28%        | 8%         | 12%        | 7%                     | 15%               | 26%                          | 6%               | 14%        | 5%         | 21%        | 11%       | 7%        | 23%        | 13%           | 12%           | 7%                       | 13%        | 14%        | 12%         | 15%        | 12%         |
| Interested bystanders  | <b>159</b>     | 89         | 9         | 61                    | 31         | 46                   | 46         | 64         | 55         | 40                     | 35                | 40                           | 24               | 153        | 6          | 25         | 15        | 20        | 16         | 17            | 17            | 16                       | 14         | 2          | 9           | 8          | 146         |
|                        | <b>14%</b>     | 17%        | 8%        | 12%                   | 8%         | 16%                  | 18%        | 15%        | 10%        | 13%                    | 16%               | 14%                          | 11%              | 15%        | 6%         | 15%        | 14%       | 14%       | 16%        | 16%           | 19%           | 16%                      | 10%        | 4%         | 16%         | 8%         | 13%         |
| Detached cynics        | <b>191</b>     | 68         | 13        | 111                   | 66         | 31                   | 24         | 80         | 91         | 58                     | 13                | 22                           | 73               | 168        | 23         | 15         | 13        | 33        | 20         | 17            | 18            | 11                       | 17         | 9          | 13          | 25         | 228         |
|                        | <b>17%</b>     | 13%        | 12%       | 21%                   | 18%        | 11%                  | 10%        | 19%        | 17%        | 18%                    | 6%                | 8%                           | 33%              | 16%        | 23%        | 9%         | 12%       | 23%       | 19%        | 16%           | 21%           | 11%                      | 12%        | 17%        | 23%         | 25%        | 20%         |
| Politically contented  | <b>66</b>      | 29         | 5         | 32                    | 10         | 21                   | 19         | 21         | 30         | 12                     | 14                | 25                           | 10               | 65         | 1          | 12         | 8         | 4         | 7          | 6             | 4             | 6                        | 6          | 4          | 2           | 7          | 62          |
|                        | <b>6%</b>      | 6%         | 5%        | 6%                    | 3%         | 7%                   | 7%         | 5%         | 6%         | 4%                     | 7%                | 9%                           | 4%               | 6%         | 1%         | 7%         | 8%        | 3%        | 7%         | 6%            | 5%            | 6%                       | 4%         | 8%         | 3%          | 7%         | 5%          |
| Bored/apathetic        | <b>92</b>      | 40         | 9         | 44                    | 34         | 29                   | 9          | 51         | 33         | 35                     | 16                | 10                           | 27               | 76         | 16         | 9          | 6         | 18        | 2          | 5             | 6             | 10                       | 25         | 1          | 2           | 7          | 93          |
|                        | <b>8%</b>      | 8%         | 8%        | 8%                    | 9%         | 10%                  | 3%         | 12%        | 6%         | 11%                    | 8%                | 4%                           | 12%              | 7%         | 16%        | 6%         | 6%        | 12%       | 2%         | 5%            | 6%            | 10%                      | 19%        | 2%         | 4%          | 7%         | 8%          |
| Disengaged/mistrustful | <b>277</b>     | 117        | 39        | 122                   | 111        | 86                   | 24         | 113        | 144        | 99                     | 63                | 42                           | 47               | 238        | 38         | 32         | 33        | 32        | 19         | 29            | 19            | 29                       | 38         | 14         | 12          | 19         | 287         |
|                        | <b>24%</b>     | 22%        | 35%       | 23%                   | 30%        | 30%                  | 10%        | 27%        | 28%        | 31%                    | 29%               | 15%                          | 21%              | 23%        | 38%        | 20%        | 30%       | 22%       | 19%        | 28%           | 22%           | 28%                      | 28%        | 29%        | 21%         | 19%        | 25%         |
| Alienated/hostile      | <b>99</b>      | 39         | 3         | 57                    | 41         | 28                   | 2          | 37         | 61         | 40                     | 16                | 8                            | 22               | 87         | 11         | 6          | 6         | 12        | 4          | 10            | 7             | 15                       | 15         | 6          | 7           | 10         | 102         |
|                        | <b>9%</b>      | 7%         | 3%        | 11%                   | 11%        | 10%                  | 1%         | 9%         | 12%        | 13%                    | 7%                | 3%                           | 10%              | 8%         | 11%        | 4%         | 5%        | 8%        | 4%         | 10%           | 8%            | 15%                      | 11%        | 11%        | 12%         | 10%        | 9%          |

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### Segment

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                        | Urbanity                 |            |           | Interest in politics |            | Likelihood to vote |            | Political activism |            | Opinion on present system |            | Knew local MP     |            | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------------|--------------------------|------------|-----------|----------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|---------------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
|                        | Total                    | Urban      | Rural     | Mixed                | Interested | Not interested     | Certain to | Certain not to     | Activist   | Non-activist              | Works well | Needs improvement | Yes        |             | No          |
| Unweighted total       | <b>1156</b>              | 773        | 145       | 238                  | 580        | 569                | 627        | 143                | 160        | 996                       | 327        | 783               | 495        | 661         | 1156        |
| Weighted total         | <b>1156</b>              | 784        | 136       | 235                  | 611        | 539                | 619        | 140                | 180        | 976                       | 322        | 793               | 511        | 645         | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>  | <b>801</b>               | <b>535</b> | <b>97</b> | <b>170</b>           | <b>404</b> | <b>394</b>         | <b>430</b> | <b>96</b>          | <b>118</b> | <b>684</b>                | <b>232</b> | <b>543</b>        | <b>339</b> | <b>464</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| Politically committed  | <b>116</b><br><b>10%</b> | 79<br>10%  | 15<br>11% | 22<br>9%             | 99<br>16%  | 16<br>3%           | 87<br>14%  | 5<br>4%            | 84<br>47%  | 31<br>3%                  | 22<br>7%   | 94<br>12%         | 83<br>16%  | 32<br>5%    | 96<br>8%    |
| Active campaigners     | <b>157</b><br><b>14%</b> | 109<br>14% | 17<br>12% | 31<br>13%            | 133<br>22% | 24<br>4%           | 128<br>21% | 2<br>1%            | 59<br>33%  | 98<br>10%                 | 53<br>17%  | 103<br>13%        | 90<br>18%  | 67<br>10%   | 142<br>12%  |
| Interested bystanders  | <b>159</b><br><b>14%</b> | 99<br>13%  | 26<br>19% | 34<br>14%            | 117<br>19% | 42<br>8%           | 122<br>20% | 2<br>1%            | 11<br>6%   | 148<br>15%                | 34<br>11%  | 122<br>15%        | 81<br>16%  | 78<br>12%   | 146<br>13%  |
| Detached cynics        | <b>191</b><br><b>17%</b> | 121<br>15% | 23<br>17% | 47<br>20%            | 79<br>13%  | 112<br>21%         | 129<br>21% | 9<br>6%            | 10<br>5%   | 181<br>19%                | 51<br>16%  | 125<br>16%        | 86<br>17%  | 105<br>16%  | 228<br>20%  |
| Politically contented  | <b>66</b><br><b>6%</b>   | 49<br>6%   | 7<br>5%   | 10<br>4%             | 39<br>6%   | 26<br>5%           | 36<br>6%   | *<br>*             | 2<br>1%    | 64<br>7%                  | 30<br>9%   | 36<br>5%          | 36<br>7%   | 30<br>5%    | 62<br>5%    |
| Bored/apathetic        | <b>92</b><br><b>8%</b>   | 69<br>9%   | 7<br>5%   | 15<br>6%             | 42<br>7%   | 50<br>9%           | 32<br>5%   | 11<br>8%           | *<br>*     | 91<br>9%                  | 35<br>11%  | 54<br>7%          | 87<br>17%  | 5<br>1%     | 93<br>8%    |
| Disengaged/mistrustful | <b>277</b><br><b>24%</b> | 188<br>24% | 32<br>23% | 58<br>25%            | 98<br>16%  | 178<br>33%         | 68<br>11%  | 55<br>40%          | 13<br>7%   | 264<br>27%                | 82<br>25%  | 183<br>23%        | 37<br>7%   | 240<br>37%  | 287<br>25%  |
| Alienated/hostile      | <b>99</b><br><b>9%</b>   | 70<br>9%   | 10<br>7%  | 19<br>8%             | 4<br>1%    | 90<br>17%          | 16<br>3%   | 55<br>39%          | -<br>-     | 99<br>10%                 | 14<br>4%   | 75<br>9%          | 11<br>2%   | 88<br>14%   | 102<br>9%   |

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### Segment

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                        | Quiz score |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |            | Satisfaction with MPs in general |            | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |              | Unwtd total |                     |
|------------------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|--|------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
|                        | Total      | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9                 | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                     | Satisfied  | Dissatisfied                           | Agree      | Disagree        | Use internet |             | Do not use internet |
| Unweighted total       | 1156       | 210        | 463        | 483                        | 459        | 183                              | 349        | 502                                    | 438        | 450             | 762          | 394         | 1156                |
| Weighted total         | 1156       | 187        | 470        | 499                        | 444        | 190                              | 336        | 515                                    | 427        | 474             | 826          | 330         | 1156                |
| <b>Effective Base</b>  | <b>801</b> | <b>150</b> | <b>310</b> | <b>345</b>                 | <b>324</b> | <b>135</b>                       | <b>264</b> | <b>330</b>                             | <b>327</b> | <b>302</b>      | <b>540</b>   | <b>269</b>  | <b>1156</b>         |
| Politically committed  | 116        | -          | 16         | 99                         | 60         | 26                               | 52         | 41                                     | 44         | 51              | 104          | 11          | 96                  |
|                        | 10%        | -          | 3%         | 20%                        | 14%        | 14%                              | 16%        | 8%                                     | 10%        | 11%             | 13%          | 3%          | 8%                  |
| Active campaigners     | 157        | 3          | 47         | 107                        | 82         | 21                               | 52         | 59                                     | 76         | 52              | 125          | 32          | 142                 |
|                        | 14%        | 2%         | 10%        | 21%                        | 18%        | 11%                              | 16%        | 11%                                    | 18%        | 11%             | 15%          | 10%         | 12%                 |
| Interested bystanders  | 159        | 8          | 71         | 80                         | 66         | 21                               | 37         | 93                                     | 58         | 64              | 118          | 41          | 146                 |
|                        | 14%        | 4%         | 15%        | 16%                        | 15%        | 11%                              | 11%        | 18%                                    | 14%        | 14%             | 14%          | 13%         | 13%                 |
| Detached cynics        | 191        | 34         | 88         | 69                         | 78         | 32                               | 53         | 95                                     | 66         | 79              | 107          | 84          | 228                 |
|                        | 17%        | 18%        | 19%        | 14%                        | 18%        | 17%                              | 16%        | 19%                                    | 15%        | 17%             | 13%          | 26%         | 20%                 |
| Politically contented  | 66         | 2          | 17         | 47                         | 28         | 3                                | 28         | 23                                     | 24         | 22              | 49           | 17          | 62                  |
|                        | 6%         | 1%         | 4%         | 9%                         | 6%         | 1%                               | 8%         | 4%                                     | 6%         | 5%              | 6%           | 5%          | 5%                  |
| Bored/apathetic        | 92         | 28         | 42         | 22                         | 52         | 10                               | 40         | 36                                     | 49         | 33              | 55           | 37          | 93                  |
|                        | 8%         | 15%        | 9%         | 4%                         | 12%        | 5%                               | 12%        | 7%                                     | 12%        | 7%              | 7%           | 11%         | 8%                  |
| Disengaged/mistrustful | 277        | 65         | 146        | 66                         | 71         | 47                               | 67         | 107                                    | 93         | 115             | 206          | 71          | 287                 |
|                        | 24%        | 35%        | 31%        | 13%                        | 16%        | 25%                              | 20%        | 21%                                    | 22%        | 24%             | 25%          | 21%         | 25%                 |
| Alienated/hostile      | 99         | 47         | 42         | 9                          | 7          | 31                               | 6          | 62                                     | 17         | 57              | 62           | 36          | 102                 |
|                        | 9%         | 25%        | 9%         | 2%                         | 2%         | 16%                              | 2%         | 12%                                    | 4%         | 12%             | 8%           | 11%         | 9%                  |

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### Segment

Base : All respondents age 18+

|                        | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                        | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |             |
| Unweighted total       | 1156                  | 163                      | 351                     | 386         | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146             | 228                   | 62              | 93                     | 287               | 102         | 1156        |
| Weighted total         | 1156                  | 175                      | 373                     | 396         | 387                   | 116                | 157                   | 159             | 191                   | 66              | 92                     | 277               | 99          | 1156        |
| <b>Effective Base</b>  | <b>801</b>            | <b>113</b>               | <b>251</b>              | <b>263</b>  | <b>290</b>            | <b>72</b>          | <b>101</b>            | <b>92</b>       | <b>160</b>            | <b>49</b>       | <b>66</b>              | <b>209</b>        | <b>63</b>   | <b>1156</b> |
| Politically committed  | 116                   | 24                       | 43                      | 44          | 28                    | 116                | -                     | -               | -                     | -               | -                      | -                 | -           | 96          |
|                        | 10%                   | 14%                      | 12%                     | 11%         | 7%                    | 100%               | -                     | -               | -                     | -               | -                      | -                 | -           | 8%          |
| Active campaigners     | 157                   | 39                       | 73                      | 59          | 25                    | -                  | 157                   | -               | -                     | -               | -                      | -                 | -           | 142         |
|                        | 14%                   | 22%                      | 20%                     | 15%         | 6%                    | -                  | 100%                  | -               | -                     | -               | -                      | -                 | -           | 12%         |
| Interested bystanders  | 159                   | 23                       | 52                      | 47          | 59                    | -                  | -                     | 159             | -                     | -               | -                      | -                 | -           | 146         |
|                        | 14%                   | 13%                      | 14%                     | 12%         | 15%                   | -                  | -                     | 100%            | -                     | -               | -                      | -                 | -           | 13%         |
| Detached cynics        | 191                   | 25                       | 58                      | 65          | 68                    | -                  | -                     | -               | 191                   | -               | -                      | -                 | -           | 228         |
|                        | 17%                   | 14%                      | 16%                     | 16%         | 18%                   | -                  | -                     | -               | 100%                  | -               | -                      | -                 | -           | 20%         |
| Politically contented  | 66                    | 9                        | 20                      | 19          | 28                    | -                  | -                     | -               | -                     | 66              | -                      | -                 | -           | 62          |
|                        | 6%                    | 5%                       | 5%                      | 5%          | 7%                    | -                  | -                     | -               | -                     | 100%            | -                      | -                 | -           | 5%          |
| Bored/apathetic        | 92                    | 8                        | 23                      | 32          | 36                    | -                  | -                     | -               | -                     | -               | 92                     | -                 | -           | 93          |
|                        | 8%                    | 5%                       | 6%                      | 8%          | 9%                    | -                  | -                     | -               | -                     | -               | 100%                   | -                 | -           | 8%          |
| Disengaged/mistrustful | 277                   | 43                       | 86                      | 92          | 99                    | -                  | -                     | -               | -                     | -               | -                      | 277               | -           | 287         |
|                        | 24%                   | 24%                      | 23%                     | 23%         | 25%                   | -                  | -                     | -               | -                     | -               | -                      | 100%              | -           | 25%         |
| Alienated/hostile      | 99                    | 4                        | 17                      | 38          | 44                    | -                  | -                     | -               | -                     | -               | -                      | -                 | 99          | 102         |
|                        | 9%                    | 3%                       | 4%                      | 10%         | 11%                   | -                  | -                     | -               | -                     | -               | -                      | -                 | 100%        | 9%          |

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|                       | Gender      |             | Age         |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             | Social class |             |             |             |             |             | Region      |             |             | Marital status |             |                       | Unwtd total |                                |            |  |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|------------|--|
|                       | Total       | Male        | Female      | 18-24       | 25-34       | 35-44       | 45-54       | 55-64       | 65-74       | 75+         | 18-34       | 35-54       | 55+          | AB          | C1          | C2          | DE          | ABC1        | C2DE        | North       | South       | Mid lands      | Single      | Married /Co-hab iting |             | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |            |  |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>1156</b> | <b>561</b>  | <b>595</b>  | <b>173</b>  | <b>183</b>  | <b>216</b>  | <b>186</b>  | <b>169</b>  | <b>117</b>  | <b>111</b>  | <b>356</b>  | <b>402</b>  | <b>398</b>   | <b>310</b>  | <b>333</b>  | <b>241</b>  | <b>272</b>  | <b>642</b>  | <b>514</b>  | <b>387</b>  | <b>411</b>  | <b>358</b>     | <b>306</b>  | <b>681</b>            | <b>169</b>  | <b>1156</b>                    |            |  |
| <b>Gender</b>         |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |              |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |                |             |                       |             |                                |            |  |
| Male                  | 561<br>49%  | 561<br>100% | -           | 89<br>52%   | 92<br>50%   | 107<br>49%  | 92<br>49%   | 83<br>49%   | 56<br>48%   | 43<br>39%   | 181<br>51%  | 199<br>49%  | 181<br>46%   | 139<br>45%  | 157<br>47%  | 141<br>58%  | 124<br>45%  | 297<br>46%  | 265<br>52%  | 198<br>51%  | 190<br>46%  | 173<br>48%     | 170<br>56%  | 347<br>51%            | 44<br>26%   | 552<br>48%                     |            |  |
| Female                | 595<br>51%  | -           | 595<br>100% | 83<br>48%   | 92<br>50%   | 109<br>51%  | 94<br>51%   | 87<br>52%   | 61<br>61%   | 68<br>61%   | 175<br>49%  | 203<br>51%  | 217<br>54%   | 170<br>55%  | 175<br>53%  | 100<br>42%  | 149<br>55%  | 346<br>54%  | 249<br>48%  | 189<br>49%  | 221<br>54%  | 185<br>52%     | 136<br>44%  | 334<br>49%            | 125<br>74%  | 604<br>52%                     |            |  |
| <b>Age</b>            |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |              |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |                |             |                       |             |                                |            |  |
| 18-24                 | 173<br>15%  | 89<br>16%   | 83<br>14%   | 173<br>100% | -           | -           | -           | -           | -           | -           | 173<br>49%  | -           | -            | 30<br>10%   | 64<br>19%   | 43<br>18%   | 36<br>13%   | 94<br>15%   | 79<br>15%   | 62<br>16%   | 60<br>15%   | 51<br>14%      | 141<br>46%  | 30<br>4%              | 2<br>1%     | 138<br>12%                     |            |  |
| 25-34                 | 183<br>16%  | 92<br>16%   | 92<br>15%   | -           | 183<br>100% | -           | -           | -           | -           | -           | 183<br>51%  | -           | -            | 29<br>9%    | 58<br>17%   | 42<br>18%   | 54<br>20%   | 87<br>14%   | 97<br>19%   | 80<br>21%   | 61<br>15%   | 42<br>12%      | 77<br>25%   | 101<br>15%            | 5<br>3%     | 207<br>18%                     |            |  |
| 35-44                 | 216<br>19%  | 107<br>19%  | 109<br>18%  | -           | -           | 216<br>100% | -           | -           | -           | -           | -           | 216<br>54%  | -            | 53<br>17%   | 59<br>18%   | 42<br>17%   | 61<br>23%   | 113<br>18%  | 103<br>20%  | 82<br>21%   | 74<br>18%   | 59<br>17%      | 39<br>13%   | 160<br>24%            | 17<br>10%   | 206<br>18%                     |            |  |
| 45-54                 | 186<br>16%  | 92<br>16%   | 94<br>16%   | -           | -           | -           | 186<br>100% | -           | -           | -           | -           | 186<br>46%  | -            | 67<br>22%   | 45<br>14%   | 30<br>12%   | 43<br>16%   | 112<br>17%  | 74<br>14%   | 54<br>14%   | 73<br>18%   | 58<br>16%      | 18<br>6%    | 144<br>21%            | 23<br>14%   | 141<br>12%                     |            |  |
| 55-64                 | 169<br>15%  | 83<br>15%   | 87<br>15%   | -           | -           | -           | -           | 169<br>100% | -           | -           | -           | 169<br>43%  | -            | 59<br>19%   | 46<br>14%   | 36<br>15%   | 29<br>11%   | 104<br>16%  | 65<br>13%   | 46<br>12%   | 60<br>15%   | 63<br>18%      | 13<br>4%    | 131<br>19%            | 26<br>15%   | 170<br>15%                     |            |  |
| 65-74                 | 117<br>10%  | 56<br>10%   | 61<br>10%   | -           | -           | -           | -           | -           | 117<br>100% | -           | -           | -           | 117<br>29%   | 33<br>11%   | 29<br>9%    | 29<br>12%   | 26<br>9%    | 62<br>10%   | 55<br>11%   | 35<br>9%    | 38<br>9%    | 45<br>13%      | 12<br>4%    | 74<br>11%             | 31<br>18%   | 159<br>14%                     |            |  |
| 75+                   | 111<br>10%  | 43<br>8%    | 68<br>11%   | -           | -           | -           | -           | -           | -           | 111<br>100% | -           | 111<br>28%  | -            | 39<br>13%   | 31<br>9%    | 19<br>8%    | 23<br>8%    | 70<br>11%   | 42<br>8%    | 28<br>7%    | 45<br>11%   | 39<br>11%      | 5<br>2%     | 41<br>6%              | 65<br>38%   | 135<br>12%                     |            |  |
| 18-34                 | 356<br>31%  | 181<br>32%  | 175<br>29%  | 173<br>100% | 183<br>100% | -           | -           | -           | -           | -           | 356<br>100% | -           | -            | 59<br>19%   | 121<br>36%  | 85<br>35%   | 91<br>33%   | 181<br>28%  | 176<br>34%  | 142<br>37%  | 121<br>29%  | 93<br>26%      | 218<br>71%  | 131<br>19%            | 7<br>4%     | 345<br>30%                     |            |  |
| 35-54                 | 402<br>35%  | 199<br>35%  | 203<br>34%  | -           | -           | 216<br>100% | 186<br>100% | -           | -           | -           | -           | 402<br>100% | -            | 120<br>39%  | 105<br>32%  | 72<br>30%   | 105<br>38%  | 225<br>35%  | 177<br>34%  | 136<br>35%  | 147<br>36%  | 118<br>33%     | 57<br>19%   | 304<br>45%            | 40<br>24%   | 347<br>30%                     |            |  |
| 55+                   | 398<br>34%  | 181<br>32%  | 217<br>36%  | -           | -           | -           | -           | 169<br>100% | 117<br>100% | 111<br>100% | -           | 398<br>100% | -            | 130<br>42%  | 106<br>32%  | 84<br>35%   | 77<br>28%   | 237<br>37%  | 161<br>31%  | 109<br>28%  | 142<br>35%  | 147<br>41%     | 31<br>10%   | 246<br>36%            | 122<br>72%  | 464<br>40%                     |            |  |
| <b>Social class</b>   |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |              |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |                |             |                       |             |                                |            |  |
| AB                    | 310<br>27%  | 139<br>25%  | 170<br>29%  | 30<br>17%   | 29<br>16%   | 53<br>25%   | 67<br>36%   | 59<br>35%   | 33<br>28%   | 39<br>35%   | 59<br>17%   | 120<br>30%  | 130<br>33%   | 310<br>100% | -           | -           | -           | -           | 310<br>48%  | -           | 79<br>20%   | 138<br>34%     | 92<br>26%   | 52<br>17%             | 215<br>32%  | 43<br>25%                      | 224<br>19% |  |
| C1                    | 333<br>29%  | 157<br>28%  | 175<br>29%  | 64<br>37%   | 58<br>31%   | 59<br>28%   | 45<br>24%   | 46<br>27%   | 29<br>25%   | 31<br>28%   | 121<br>34%  | 105<br>26%  | 106<br>27%   | -           | 333<br>100% | -           | -           | 333<br>52%  | -           | 111<br>29%  | 138<br>34%  | 84<br>23%      | 112<br>37%  | 173<br>25%            | 48<br>28%   | 353<br>31%                     |            |  |
| C2                    | 241<br>21%  | 141<br>25%  | 100<br>17%  | 43<br>25%   | 42<br>23%   | 42<br>19%   | 30<br>16%   | 36<br>21%   | 29<br>25%   | 19<br>17%   | 85<br>24%   | 72<br>18%   | 84<br>21%    | -           | -           | 241<br>100% | -           | -           | 241<br>47%  | 90<br>23%   | 58<br>14%   | 94<br>26%      | 56<br>18%   | 155<br>23%            | 29<br>17%   | 257<br>22%                     |            |  |
| DE                    | 272<br>24%  | 124<br>22%  | 149<br>25%  | 36<br>21%   | 54<br>29%   | 61<br>28%   | 43<br>23%   | 29<br>17%   | 26<br>22%   | 23<br>20%   | 91<br>25%   | 105<br>26%  | 77<br>19%    | -           | -           | -           | 272<br>100% | -           | 272<br>53%  | 108<br>28%  | 76<br>19%   | 88<br>25%      | 86<br>28%   | 138<br>20%            | 49<br>29%   | 322<br>28%                     |            |  |
| ABC1                  | 642<br>56%  | 297<br>53%  | 346<br>58%  | 94<br>54%   | 87<br>47%   | 113<br>52%  | 112<br>60%  | 104<br>62%  | 62<br>53%   | 70<br>63%   | 181<br>51%  | 225<br>56%  | 237<br>59%   | 310<br>100% | 333<br>100% | -           | -           | 642<br>100% | -           | 190<br>49%  | 276<br>67%  | 176<br>49%     | 164<br>54%  | 388<br>57%            | 91<br>54%   | 577<br>50%                     |            |  |
| C2DE                  | 514<br>44%  | 265<br>47%  | 249<br>42%  | 79<br>46%   | 97<br>53%   | 103<br>48%  | 74<br>40%   | 65<br>38%   | 55<br>47%   | 42<br>37%   | 176<br>49%  | 177<br>44%  | 161<br>41%   | -           | -           | 241<br>100% | 272<br>100% | -           | 514<br>100% | 197<br>51%  | 135<br>33%  | 182<br>51%     | 142<br>46%  | 293<br>43%            | 79<br>46%   | 579<br>50%                     |            |  |
| <b>Region</b>         |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |              |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |                |             |                       |             |                                |            |  |
| North                 | 387<br>33%  | 198<br>35%  | 189<br>32%  | 62<br>36%   | 80<br>43%   | 82<br>38%   | 54<br>29%   | 46<br>27%   | 35<br>29%   | 28<br>25%   | 142<br>40%  | 136<br>34%  | 109<br>27%   | 79<br>25%   | 111<br>33%  | 90<br>37%   | 108<br>39%  | 190<br>30%  | 197<br>38%  | 387<br>100% | -           | -              | 110<br>36%  | 223<br>33%            | 54<br>32%   | 438<br>38%                     |            |  |
| South                 | 411<br>36%  | 190<br>34%  | 221<br>37%  | 60<br>35%   | 61<br>34%   | 74<br>34%   | 73<br>39%   | 60<br>35%   | 38<br>32%   | 45<br>40%   | 121<br>34%  | 147<br>37%  | 142<br>36%   | 138<br>45%  | 138<br>41%  | 58<br>24%   | 76<br>28%   | 276<br>43%  | 135<br>26%  | -           | 411<br>100% | -              | 109<br>36%  | 239<br>35%            | 62<br>37%   | 339<br>29%                     |            |  |
| Midlands              | 358<br>31%  | 173<br>31%  | 185<br>31%  | 51<br>29%   | 42<br>23%   | 59<br>28%   | 58<br>32%   | 63<br>37%   | 45<br>38%   | 39<br>35%   | 93<br>26%   | 118<br>29%  | 147<br>37%   | 92<br>30%   | 84<br>25%   | 94<br>39%   | 88<br>32%   | 176<br>27%  | 182<br>35%  | -           | -           | 358<br>100%    | 87<br>28%   | 218<br>32%            | 53<br>31%   | 379<br>33%                     |            |  |
| <b>Marital status</b> |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |              |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |                |             |                       |             |                                |            |  |
| Single                | 306<br>26%  | 170<br>30%  | 136<br>23%  | 141<br>82%  | 77<br>42%   | 39<br>18%   | 18<br>10%   | 13<br>8%    | 12<br>11%   | 5<br>4%     | 218<br>61%  | 57<br>14%   | 31<br>8%     | 52<br>17%   | 112<br>34%  | 56<br>23%   | 86<br>31%   | 164<br>26%  | 142<br>28%  | 110<br>28%  | 109<br>27%  | 87<br>24%      | 306<br>100% | -                     | -           | 290<br>25%                     |            |  |

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|                                | Gender      |            | Age        |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|--------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                | Male        | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34      | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34      | 35-54      | 55+        | AB           | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands  | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>1156</b> | <b>561</b> | <b>595</b> | <b>173</b> | <b>183</b> | <b>216</b> | <b>186</b> | <b>169</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>111</b> | <b>356</b> | <b>402</b> | <b>398</b>   | <b>310</b> | <b>333</b> | <b>241</b> | <b>272</b> | <b>642</b> | <b>514</b> | <b>387</b> | <b>411</b> | <b>358</b>     | <b>306</b>            | <b>681</b>                     | <b>169</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| Married /Co-habiting           | <b>681</b>  | 347        | 334        | 30         | 101        | 160        | 144        | 131        | 74         | 41         | 131        | 304        | 246          | 215        | 173        | 155        | 138        | 388        | 293        | 223        | 239        | 218            | -                     | 681                            | -           | 669         |
|                                | <b>59%</b>  | 62%        | 56%        | 17%        | 55%        | 74%        | 77%        | 77%        | 63%        | 37%        | 37%        | 76%        | 62%          | 69%        | 52%        | 64%        | 51%        | 60%        | 57%        | 58%        | 58%        | 61%            | -                     | 100%                           | -           | 58%         |
| Widowed/Divorced/<br>Separated | <b>169</b>  | 44         | 125        | 2          | 5          | 17         | 23         | 26         | 31         | 65         | 7          | 40         | 122          | 43         | 48         | 29         | 49         | 91         | 79         | 54         | 62         | 53             | -                     | -                              | 169         | 197         |
|                                | <b>15%</b>  | 8%         | 21%        | 1%         | 3%         | 8%         | 13%        | 15%        | 26%        | 58%        | 2%         | 10%        | 31%          | 14%        | 14%        | 12%        | 18%        | 14%        | 15%        | 14%        | 15%        | 15%            | -                     | -                              | 100%        | 17%         |
| Unweighted total               | <b>1156</b> | 552        | 604        | 138        | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135        | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |

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|                       | Total       | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education                |                   |                                |                  | Ethnicity   |            | GO Region   |             |             |             |               |               |                      |             |            |            | Unwtd total |             |  |
|-----------------------|-------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|----------------------|-------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|--|
|                       |             | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/ CSE/ NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/ Masters /PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White       | BME        | South East  | Eastern     | London      | South West  | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humber | North West  | North East | Wales      |             | Scotland    |  |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>1156</b> | <b>520</b>     | <b>109</b> | <b>527</b>  | <b>372</b>            | <b>287</b> | <b>253</b>           | <b>423</b> | <b>522</b> | <b>320</b>               | <b>213</b>        | <b>287</b>                     | <b>219</b>       | <b>1054</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>162</b>  | <b>110</b>  | <b>147</b>  | <b>103</b>  | <b>104</b>    | <b>87</b>     | <b>101</b>           | <b>134</b>  | <b>51</b>  | <b>58</b>  | <b>102</b>  | <b>1156</b> |  |
| <b>Gender</b>         |             |                |            |             |                       |            |                      |            |            |                          |                   |                                |                  |             |            |             |             |             |             |               |               |                      |             |            |            |             |             |  |
| Male                  | 561<br>49%  | 329<br>63%     | 18<br>17%  | 214<br>41%  | 158<br>43%            | 167<br>58% | 126<br>50%           | 218<br>51% | 240<br>46% | 160<br>50%               | 91<br>43%         | 146<br>51%                     | 100<br>46%       | 498<br>47%  | 62<br>62%  | 73<br>45%   | 53<br>48%   | 72<br>49%   | 45<br>43%   | 54<br>52%     | 37<br>42%     | 54<br>54%            | 73<br>54%   | 25<br>49%  | 30<br>53%  | 46<br>45%   | 552<br>48%  |  |
| Female                | 595<br>51%  | 191<br>37%     | 91<br>83%  | 314<br>59%  | 214<br>57%            | 120<br>42% | 127<br>50%           | 205<br>49% | 281<br>54% | 160<br>50%               | 123<br>57%        | 141<br>49%                     | 119<br>54%       | 556<br>53%  | 38<br>38%  | 88<br>55%   | 57<br>52%   | 74<br>51%   | 58<br>57%   | 50<br>48%     | 50<br>58%     | 46<br>46%            | 61<br>46%   | 26<br>51%  | 27<br>47%  | 56<br>55%   | 604<br>52%  |  |
| <b>Age</b>            |             |                |            |             |                       |            |                      |            |            |                          |                   |                                |                  |             |            |             |             |             |             |               |               |                      |             |            |            |             |             |  |
| 18-24                 | 173<br>15%  | 61<br>12%      | 23<br>21%  | 89<br>17%   | 49<br>13%             | 91<br>32%  | 35<br>14%            | 73<br>17%  | 73<br>14%  | 58<br>18%                | 68<br>32%         | 30<br>10%                      | 5<br>2%          | 150<br>14%  | 23<br>23%  | 18<br>11%   | 19<br>18%   | 25<br>17%   | 16<br>16%   | 16<br>10%     | 12<br>15%     | 14<br>13%            | 24<br>18%   | 9<br>19%   | 4<br>8%    | 14<br>8%    | 138<br>12%  |  |
| 25-34                 | 183<br>16%  | 116<br>22%     | 16<br>15%  | 52<br>10%   | 89<br>24%             | 52<br>18%  | 30<br>12%            | 72<br>17%  | 90<br>17%  | 48<br>15%                | 41<br>19%         | 65<br>23%                      | 18<br>8%         | 153<br>14%  | 30<br>30%  | 18<br>11%   | 10<br>9%    | 33<br>22%   | 11<br>11%   | 15<br>14%     | 10<br>11%     | 16<br>16%            | 37<br>27%   | 11<br>21%  | 8<br>14%   | 16<br>16%   | 207<br>18%  |  |
| 35-44                 | 216<br>19%  | 140<br>27%     | 22<br>20%  | 54<br>10%   | 155<br>42%            | 22<br>8%   | 33<br>13%            | 80<br>19%  | 109<br>21% | 88<br>28%                | 28<br>13%         | 55<br>19%                      | 28<br>13%        | 186<br>18%  | 30<br>30%  | 24<br>15%   | 20<br>18%   | 33<br>23%   | 17<br>17%   | 14<br>13%     | 18<br>21%     | 28<br>28%            | 23<br>17%   | 6<br>12%   | 7<br>12%   | 25<br>25%   | 206<br>18%  |  |
| 45-54                 | 186<br>16%  | 124<br>24%     | 28<br>26%  | 33<br>6%    | 71<br>19%             | 51<br>18%  | 44<br>18%            | 47<br>11%  | 105<br>20% | 61<br>19%                | 25<br>12%         | 60<br>21%                      | 22<br>10%        | 176<br>17%  | 9<br>9%    | 43<br>27%   | 15<br>14%   | 15<br>10%   | 15<br>15%   | 25<br>24%     | 11<br>12%     | 18<br>18%            | 16<br>12%   | 8<br>17%   | 8<br>13%   | 11<br>13%   | 141<br>12%  |  |
| 55-64                 | 169<br>15%  | 69<br>13%      | 14<br>13%  | 86<br>16%   | 9<br>2%               | 54<br>19%  | 48<br>19%            | 55<br>13%  | 68<br>13%  | 31<br>10%                | 32<br>15%         | 37<br>13%                      | 45<br>21%        | 163<br>15%  | 6<br>6%    | 28<br>18%   | 13<br>12%   | 18<br>12%   | 14<br>13%   | 15<br>15%     | 22<br>26%     | 11<br>11%            | 13<br>10%   | 9<br>18%   | 12<br>22%  | 13<br>22%   | 170<br>15%  |  |
| 65-74                 | 117<br>10%  | 7<br>1%        | 6<br>5%    | 105<br>20%  | -<br>-                | 11<br>4%   | 26<br>10%            | 48<br>11%  | 48<br>9%   | 24<br>7%                 | 9<br>4%           | 24<br>8%                       | 44<br>20%        | 115<br>11%  | 3<br>3%    | 15<br>9%    | 17<br>15%   | 9<br>6%     | 13<br>13%   | 10<br>10%     | 6<br>7%       | 8<br>8%              | 12<br>9%    | 3<br>5%    | 12<br>20%  | 12<br>12%   | 159<br>14%  |  |
| 75+                   | 111<br>10%  | 2<br>-         | 1<br>1%    | 108<br>21%  | -<br>-                | 6<br>2%    | 36<br>14%            | 47<br>11%  | 29<br>6%   | 10<br>3%                 | 10<br>5%          | 15<br>5%                       | 58<br>27%        | 111<br>11%  | *<br>-     | 15<br>9%    | 15<br>14%   | 14<br>9%    | 16<br>15%   | 9<br>9%       | 8<br>9%       | 6<br>6%              | 9<br>7%     | 4<br>8%    | 6<br>11%   | 9<br>9%     | 135<br>12%  |  |
| 18-34                 | 356<br>31%  | 177<br>34%     | 39<br>35%  | 141<br>27%  | 138<br>37%            | 143<br>50% | 65<br>26%            | 145<br>34% | 163<br>31% | 106<br>33%               | 109<br>51%        | 95<br>33%                      | 23<br>10%        | 303<br>29%  | 52<br>52%  | 37<br>23%   | 29<br>27%   | 58<br>39%   | 27<br>26%   | 30<br>29%     | 21<br>24%     | 30<br>30%            | 61<br>46%   | 20<br>40%  | 13<br>22%  | 30<br>30%   | 345<br>30%  |  |
| 35-54                 | 402<br>35%  | 265<br>51%     | 50<br>46%  | 87<br>16%   | 225<br>61%            | 73<br>25%  | 78<br>31%            | 127<br>30% | 214<br>41% | 149<br>46%               | 53<br>25%         | 116<br>40%                     | 49<br>22%        | 362<br>34%  | 39<br>39%  | 67<br>41%   | 35<br>32%   | 48<br>33%   | 33<br>32%   | 39<br>37%     | 29<br>33%     | 46<br>46%            | 39<br>29%   | 15<br>29%  | 15<br>26%  | 36<br>36%   | 347<br>30%  |  |
| 55+                   | 398<br>34%  | 78<br>15%      | 21<br>19%  | 300<br>57%  | 9<br>2%               | 71<br>25%  | 110<br>44%           | 151<br>36% | 145<br>28% | 65<br>20%                | 51<br>24%         | 76<br>26%                      | 147<br>67%       | 389<br>37%  | 9<br>9%    | 58<br>36%   | 45<br>41%   | 41<br>28%   | 43<br>28%   | 35<br>42%     | 37<br>42%     | 24<br>24%            | 34<br>25%   | 16<br>31%  | 30<br>53%  | 35<br>35%   | 464<br>40%  |  |
| <b>Social class</b>   |             |                |            |             |                       |            |                      |            |            |                          |                   |                                |                  |             |            |             |             |             |             |               |               |                      |             |            |            |             |             |  |
| AB                    | 310<br>27%  | 159<br>31%     | 32<br>29%  | 119<br>23%  | 94<br>25%             | 77<br>27%  | 139<br>55%           | 72<br>17%  | 116<br>22% | 40<br>12%                | 68<br>32%         | 156<br>54%                     | 19<br>8%         | 296<br>28%  | 13<br>13%  | 67<br>41%   | 36<br>32%   | 42<br>29%   | 29<br>29%   | 30<br>29%     | 16<br>18%     | 26<br>26%            | 18<br>13%   | 12<br>24%  | 11<br>19%  | 23<br>23%   | 224<br>19%  |  |
| C1                    | 333<br>29%  | 154<br>30%     | 36<br>33%  | 143<br>27%  | 82<br>22%             | 97<br>34%  | 75<br>30%            | 115<br>27% | 160<br>31% | 91<br>28%                | 77<br>36%         | 89<br>31%                      | 47<br>21%        | 300<br>28%  | 31<br>31%  | 51<br>31%   | 22<br>20%   | 48<br>33%   | 40<br>39%   | 24<br>23%     | 25<br>29%     | 24<br>24%            | 40<br>30%   | 12<br>23%  | 13<br>22%  | 35<br>34%   | 353<br>31%  |  |
| C2                    | 241<br>21%  | 130<br>25%     | 13<br>12%  | 98<br>19%   | 82<br>22%             | 58<br>20%  | 21<br>8%             | 119<br>28% | 105<br>20% | 86<br>27%                | 38<br>18%         | 30<br>10%                      | 55<br>25%        | 223<br>21%  | 19<br>19%  | 22<br>14%   | 31<br>28%   | 17<br>12%   | 19<br>18%   | 21<br>20%     | 22<br>26%     | 24<br>24%            | 34<br>25%   | 12<br>23%  | 19<br>32%  | 20<br>19%   | 257<br>22%  |  |
| DE                    | 272<br>24%  | 76<br>15%      | 28<br>26%  | 168<br>32%  | 114<br>31%            | 55<br>19%  | 17<br>7%             | 117<br>28% | 141<br>27% | 103<br>32%               | 31<br>15%         | 13<br>4%                       | 99<br>45%        | 236<br>22%  | 37<br>37%  | 22<br>13%   | 21<br>19%   | 40<br>27%   | 15<br>15%   | 28<br>27%     | 24<br>27%     | 27<br>27%            | 42<br>31%   | 15<br>29%  | 15<br>26%  | 24<br>24%   | 322<br>28%  |  |
| ABC1                  | 642<br>56%  | 313<br>60%     | 68<br>62%  | 262<br>50%  | 175<br>47%            | 174<br>61% | 214<br>85%           | 187<br>44% | 276<br>53% | 130<br>41%               | 145<br>68%        | 244<br>85%                     | 66<br>30%        | 596<br>57%  | 45<br>45%  | 118<br>73%  | 57<br>52%   | 90<br>61%   | 69<br>67%   | 54<br>52%     | 41<br>47%     | 50<br>50%            | 58<br>43%   | 24<br>48%  | 24<br>41%  | 58<br>57%   | 577<br>50%  |  |
| C2DE                  | 514<br>44%  | 207<br>40%     | 41<br>38%  | 266<br>50%  | 196<br>53%            | 113<br>39% | 38<br>15%            | 236<br>56% | 246<br>47% | 190<br>59%               | 69<br>32%         | 43<br>15%                      | 154<br>70%       | 458<br>43%  | 55<br>55%  | 44<br>27%   | 52<br>48%   | 57<br>39%   | 34<br>33%   | 50<br>48%     | 46<br>53%     | 51<br>50%            | 76<br>57%   | 27<br>52%  | 34<br>59%  | 44<br>43%   | 579<br>50%  |  |
| <b>Region</b>         |             |                |            |             |                       |            |                      |            |            |                          |                   |                                |                  |             |            |             |             |             |             |               |               |                      |             |            |            |             |             |  |
| North                 | 387<br>33%  | 182<br>35%     | 27<br>25%  | 178<br>34%  | 129<br>35%            | 101<br>35% | 58<br>23%            | 175<br>41% | 161<br>31% | 116<br>36%               | 75<br>35%         | 84<br>29%                      | 72<br>33%        | 371<br>35%  | 15<br>15%  | -<br>-      | -<br>-      | -<br>-      | -<br>-      | -<br>-        | -<br>-        | 101<br>100%          | 134<br>100% | 51<br>100% | -<br>-     | 102<br>100% | 438<br>38%  |  |
| South                 | 411<br>36%  | 182<br>35%     | 54<br>49%  | 176<br>33%  | 130<br>35%            | 109<br>38% | 121<br>48%           | 140<br>33% | 171<br>33% | 97<br>30%                | 87<br>41%         | 131<br>46%                     | 57<br>26%        | 353<br>34%  | 58<br>58%  | 162<br>100% | -<br>-      | 147<br>100% | 103<br>100% | -<br>-        | -<br>-        | -<br>-               | -<br>-      | -<br>-     | -<br>-     | -<br>-      | 339<br>29%  |  |
| Midlands              | 358<br>31%  | 156<br>30%     | 29<br>26%  | 174<br>33%  | 113<br>30%            | 77<br>27%  | 73<br>29%            | 108<br>26% | 189<br>36% | 106<br>33%               | 52<br>24%         | 72<br>25%                      | 90<br>41%        | 330<br>31%  | 27<br>27%  | -<br>-      | 110<br>100% | -<br>-      | -<br>-      | 104<br>100%   | 87<br>100%    | -<br>-               | -<br>-      | -<br>-     | 58<br>100% | -<br>-      | 379<br>33%  |  |
| <b>Marital status</b> |             |                |            |             |                       |            |                      |            |            |                          |                   |                                |                  |             |            |             |             |             |             |               |               |                      |             |            |            |             |             |  |
| Single                | 306<br>26%  | 129<br>25%     | 30<br>28%  | 147<br>28%  | 70<br>19%             | 155<br>54% | 56<br>22%            | 124<br>29% | 140<br>27% | 99<br>31%                | 84<br>39%         | 59<br>21%                      | 34<br>16%        | 270<br>26%  | 35<br>35%  | 32<br>20%   | 33<br>30%   | 49<br>34%   | 28<br>28%   | 22<br>22%     | 19<br>21%     | 24<br>24%            | 48<br>36%   | 18<br>35%  | 13<br>22%  | 20<br>19%   | 290<br>25%  |  |

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|                             | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education                |                   |                                |                  | Ethnicity  |             | GO Region  |            |            |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           | Unwtd total |            |             |
|-----------------------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|                             | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/ CSE/ NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/ Masters /PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White      | BME         | South East | Eastern    | London     | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland   |             |
| <b>Total</b>                | <b>1156</b>    | <b>520</b> | <b>109</b>  | <b>527</b>            | <b>372</b> | <b>287</b>           | <b>253</b> | <b>423</b> | <b>522</b>               | <b>320</b>        | <b>213</b>                     | <b>287</b>       | <b>219</b> | <b>1054</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>162</b> | <b>110</b> | <b>147</b> | <b>103</b>    | <b>104</b>    | <b>87</b>                | <b>101</b> | <b>134</b> | <b>51</b> | <b>58</b>   | <b>102</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| Married /Co-habiting        | <b>681</b>     | 350        | 69          | 261                   | 282        | 105                  | 159        | 234        | 307                      | 193               | 106                            | 193              | 123        | 622         | 58         | 100        | 53         | 78         | 62            | 72            | 56                       | 65         | 66         | 27        | 37          | 65         | 669         |
|                             | <b>59%</b>     | 67%        | 63%         | 50%                   | 76%        | 37%                  | 63%        | 55%        | 59%                      | 60%               | 50%                            | 67%              | 56%        | 59%         | 58%        | 62%        | 49%        | 53%        | 60%           | 69%           | 65%                      | 64%        | 49%        | 54%       | 64%         | 64%        | 58%         |
| Widowed/Divorced/ Separated | <b>169</b>     | 40         | 9           | 119                   | 20         | 27                   | 38         | 66         | 74                       | 28                | 23                             | 35               | 62         | 163         | 6          | 30         | 23         | 19         | 12            | 9             | 12                       | 11         | 19         | 6         | 8           | 17         | 197         |
|                             | <b>15%</b>     | 8%         | 9%          | 23%                   | 5%         | 9%                   | 15%        | 16%        | 14%                      | 9%                | 11%                            | 12%              | 28%        | 15%         | 6%         | 19%        | 21%        | 13%        | 12%           | 9%            | 14%                      | 11%        | 15%        | 12%       | 15%         | 17%        | 17%         |
| Unweighted total            | <b>1156</b>    | 425        | 109         | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548                      | 318               | 183                            | 258              | 274        | 1007        | 146        | 116        | 102        | 121        | 102           | 109           | 71                       | 91         | 122        | 68        | 97          | 157        | 1156        |

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|                       | Total       | Urbanity   |            |            | Interest in politics |                | Likelihood to vote |                | Political activism |              | Opinion on present system |                   | Knew local MP |            | Unwtd total |
|-----------------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|
|                       |             | Urban      | Rural      | Mixed      | Interested           | Not interested | Certain to         | Certain not to | Activist           | Non-activist | Works well                | Needs improvement | Yes           | No         |             |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>1156</b> | <b>784</b> | <b>136</b> | <b>235</b> | <b>611</b>           | <b>539</b>     | <b>619</b>         | <b>140</b>     | <b>180</b>         | <b>976</b>   | <b>322</b>                | <b>793</b>        | <b>511</b>    | <b>645</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| <b>Gender</b>         |             |            |            |            |                      |                |                    |                |                    |              |                           |                   |               |            |             |
| Male                  | 561<br>49%  | 388<br>49% | 66<br>48%  | 107<br>46% | 328<br>54%           | 232<br>43%     | 286<br>46%         | 70<br>50%      | 85<br>47%          | 476<br>49%   | 178<br>56%                | 367<br>46%        | 232<br>45%    | 329<br>51% | 552<br>48%  |
| Female                | 595<br>51%  | 397<br>51% | 70<br>52%  | 128<br>54% | 283<br>46%           | 307<br>57%     | 332<br>54%         | 69<br>50%      | 95<br>53%          | 500<br>51%   | 143<br>44%                | 427<br>54%        | 279<br>55%    | 316<br>49% | 604<br>52%  |
| <b>Age</b>            |             |            |            |            |                      |                |                    |                |                    |              |                           |                   |               |            |             |
| 18-24                 | 173<br>15%  | 128<br>16% | 13<br>10%  | 32<br>13%  | 65<br>11%            | 107<br>20%     | 47<br>8%           | 36<br>26%      | 16<br>9%           | 157<br>16%   | 63<br>20%                 | 101<br>13%        | 41<br>8%      | 132<br>21% | 138<br>12%  |
| 25-34                 | 183<br>16%  | 143<br>18% | 17<br>13%  | 23<br>10%  | 81<br>13%            | 100<br>19%     | 61<br>10%          | 29<br>21%      | 17<br>10%          | 166<br>17%   | 52<br>16%                 | 117<br>15%        | 60<br>12%     | 123<br>19% | 207<br>18%  |
| 35-44                 | 216<br>19%  | 149<br>19% | 22<br>16%  | 45<br>19%  | 106<br>17%           | 107<br>20%     | 99<br>16%          | 35<br>25%      | 38<br>21%          | 178<br>18%   | 60<br>19%                 | 150<br>19%        | 93<br>18%     | 123<br>19% | 206<br>18%  |
| 45-54                 | 186<br>16%  | 124<br>16% | 27<br>20%  | 35<br>15%  | 113<br>19%           | 72<br>13%      | 123<br>20%         | 20<br>15%      | 43<br>24%          | 143<br>15%   | 44<br>14%                 | 140<br>18%        | 86<br>17%     | 100<br>15% | 141<br>12%  |
| 55-64                 | 169<br>15%  | 105<br>13% | 21<br>16%  | 43<br>18%  | 112<br>18%           | 57<br>11%      | 116<br>19%         | 10<br>7%       | 39<br>22%          | 130<br>13%   | 44<br>14%                 | 122<br>15%        | 88<br>17%     | 82<br>13%  | 170<br>15%  |
| 65-74                 | 117<br>10%  | 71<br>9%   | 19<br>14%  | 27<br>11%  | 67<br>11%            | 50<br>9%       | 83<br>13%          | 6<br>5%        | 17<br>10%          | 100<br>10%   | 24<br>7%                  | 91<br>9%          | 73<br>14%     | 44<br>7%   | 159<br>14%  |
| 75+                   | 111<br>10%  | 64<br>8%   | 16<br>12%  | 31<br>13%  | 66<br>11%            | 45<br>8%       | 89<br>14%          | 4<br>3%        | 9<br>5%            | 102<br>10%   | 35<br>11%                 | 71<br>9%          | 71<br>14%     | 41<br>6%   | 135<br>12%  |
| 18-34                 | 356<br>31%  | 271<br>35% | 31<br>22%  | 55<br>23%  | 146<br>24%           | 207<br>39%     | 108<br>17%         | 65<br>46%      | 33<br>18%          | 323<br>33%   | 115<br>36%                | 218<br>28%        | 101<br>20%    | 256<br>40% | 345<br>30%  |
| 35-54                 | 402<br>35%  | 273<br>35% | 49<br>36%  | 79<br>34%  | 220<br>36%           | 178<br>33%     | 222<br>36%         | 55<br>40%      | 81<br>45%          | 321<br>33%   | 104<br>32%                | 290<br>37%        | 179<br>35%    | 223<br>35% | 347<br>30%  |
| 55+                   | 398<br>34%  | 240<br>31% | 57<br>42%  | 101<br>43% | 245<br>40%           | 153<br>28%     | 289<br>47%         | 20<br>14%      | 66<br>37%          | 332<br>34%   | 102<br>32%                | 285<br>36%        | 231<br>45%    | 167<br>26% | 464<br>40%  |
| <b>Social class</b>   |             |            |            |            |                      |                |                    |                |                    |              |                           |                   |               |            |             |
| AB                    | 310<br>27%  | 216<br>28% | 33<br>24%  | 60<br>26%  | 226<br>37%           | 82<br>15%      | 212<br>34%         | 14<br>10%      | 87<br>49%          | 222<br>23%   | 83<br>26%                 | 225<br>28%        | 160<br>31%    | 149<br>23% | 224<br>19%  |
| C1                    | 333<br>29%  | 229<br>29% | 39<br>28%  | 65<br>28%  | 187<br>31%           | 145<br>27%     | 189<br>31%         | 31<br>23%      | 59<br>33%          | 274<br>28%   | 109<br>34%                | 213<br>27%        | 147<br>29%    | 186<br>29% | 353<br>31%  |
| C2                    | 241<br>21%  | 157<br>20% | 33<br>25%  | 51<br>22%  | 96<br>16%            | 143<br>27%     | 111<br>18%         | 40<br>28%      | 19<br>11%          | 222<br>23%   | 61<br>19%                 | 171<br>22%        | 100<br>20%    | 141<br>22% | 257<br>22%  |
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| ABC1                  | 642<br>56%  | 445<br>57% | 71<br>52%  | 125<br>53% | 412<br>67%           | 227<br>42%     | 401<br>65%         | 46<br>33%      | 146<br>81%         | 496<br>51%   | 192<br>60%                | 438<br>55%        | 307<br>60%    | 335<br>52% | 577<br>50%  |
| C2DE                  | 514<br>44%  | 339<br>43% | 65<br>48%  | 110<br>47% | 199<br>33%           | 311<br>58%     | 218<br>35%         | 94<br>67%      | 34<br>19%          | 480<br>49%   | 130<br>40%                | 355<br>45%        | 204<br>40%    | 310<br>48% | 579<br>50%  |
| <b>Region</b>         |             |            |            |            |                      |                |                    |                |                    |              |                           |                   |               |            |             |
| North                 | 387<br>33%  | 255<br>33% | 52<br>39%  | 79<br>34%  | 176<br>29%           | 210<br>39%     | 182<br>29%         | 67<br>48%      | 40<br>22%          | 347<br>35%   | 115<br>36%                | 259<br>33%        | 149<br>29%    | 238<br>37% | 438<br>38%  |
| South                 | 411<br>36%  | 310<br>40% | 41<br>30%  | 59<br>25%  | 256<br>42%           | 152<br>28%     | 239<br>39%         | 35<br>25%      | 92<br>51%          | 319<br>33%   | 110<br>34%                | 279<br>35%        | 223<br>44%    | 188<br>29% | 339<br>29%  |
| Midlands              | 358<br>31%  | 219<br>28% | 42<br>31%  | 97<br>41%  | 180<br>29%           | 176<br>33%     | 198<br>32%         | 38<br>27%      | 47<br>26%          | 311<br>32%   | 96<br>30%                 | 255<br>32%        | 139<br>27%    | 219<br>34% | 379<br>33%  |
| <b>Marital status</b> |             |            |            |            |                      |                |                    |                |                    |              |                           |                   |               |            |             |
| Single                | 306<br>26%  | 234<br>30% | 24<br>18%  | 48<br>20%  | 139<br>23%           | 166<br>31%     | 112<br>18%         | 56<br>40%      | 31<br>17%          | 275<br>28%   | 97<br>30%                 | 191<br>24%        | 99<br>19%     | 207<br>32% | 290<br>25%  |
| Married /Co-habiting  | 681<br>59%  | 445<br>57% | 96<br>70%  | 140<br>60% | 382<br>62%           | 295<br>55%     | 398<br>64%         | 70<br>50%      | 122<br>68%         | 559<br>57%   | 175<br>54%                | 489<br>62%        | 320<br>63%    | 361<br>56% | 669<br>58%  |

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|--------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                | Urban       | Rural      | Mixed      | Interested           | Not interested | Certain to         | Certain not to | Activist           | Non-activist | Works well                | Needs improvement | Yes           | No         |             |             |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>1156</b> | <b>784</b> | <b>136</b> | <b>235</b>           | <b>611</b>     | <b>539</b>         | <b>619</b>     | <b>140</b>         | <b>180</b>   | <b>976</b>                | <b>322</b>        | <b>793</b>    | <b>511</b> | <b>645</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| Widowed/Divorced/<br>Separated | <b>169</b>  | 105        | 16         | 48                   | 91             | 78                 | 109            | 14                 | 27           | 142                       | 49                | 114           | 92         | 77          | 197         |
|                                | <b>15%</b>  | 13%        | 12%        | 20%                  | 15%            | 14%                | 18%            | 10%                | 15%          | 15%                       | 15%               | 14%           | 18%        | 12%         | 17%         |
| Unweighted total               | <b>1156</b> | 773        | 145        | 238                  | 580            | 569                | 627            | 143                | 160          | 996                       | 327               | 783           | 495        | 661         | 1156        |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
 Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
 Number of sample points : 210  
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Table 293

|                       | Total       | Quiz score |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |              | Satisfaction with MPs in general |              | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |                     | Unwtd total |
|-----------------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|--------------|--|------------|-----------------|---------------------|-------------|
|                       |             | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9 | Satisfied                  | Dissatisfied | Satisfied                        | Dissatisfied | Agree                                  | Disagree   | Use internet    | Do not use internet |             |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>1156</b> | <b>187</b> | <b>470</b> | <b>499</b> | <b>444</b>                 | <b>190</b>   | <b>336</b>                       | <b>515</b>   | <b>427</b>                             | <b>474</b> | <b>826</b>      | <b>330</b>          | <b>1156</b> |
| <b>Gender</b>         |             |            |            |            |                            |              |                                  |              |  |            |                 |                     |             |
| Male                  | 561<br>49%  | 75<br>40%  | 220<br>47% | 267<br>53% | 202<br>45%                 | 111<br>58%   | 173<br>52%                       | 260<br>50%   | 221<br>52%                             | 229<br>48% | 423<br>51%      | 138<br>42%          | 552<br>48%  |
| Female                | 595<br>51%  | 113<br>60% | 250<br>53% | 232<br>47% | 242<br>55%                 | 79<br>42%    | 163<br>48%                       | 255<br>50%   | 206<br>48%                             | 245<br>52% | 403<br>49%      | 192<br>58%          | 604<br>52%  |
| <b>Age</b>            |             |            |            |            |                            |              |                                  |              |  |            |                 |                     |             |
| 18-24                 | 173<br>15%  | 41<br>22%  | 96<br>21%  | 36<br>7%   | 49<br>11%                  | 20<br>11%    | 48<br>14%                        | 56<br>11%    | 62<br>14%                              | 64<br>14%  | 145<br>18%      | 28<br>8%            | 138<br>12%  |
| 25-34                 | 183<br>16%  | 44<br>23%  | 83<br>18%  | 57<br>11%  | 52<br>12%                  | 30<br>16%    | 49<br>15%                        | 69<br>13%    | 72<br>17%                              | 71<br>15%  | 160<br>19%      | 23<br>7%            | 207<br>18%  |
| 35-44                 | 216<br>19%  | 44<br>23%  | 76<br>16%  | 96<br>19%  | 71<br>16%                  | 37<br>20%    | 60<br>18%                        | 108<br>21%   | 72<br>17%                              | 102<br>22% | 178<br>21%      | 38<br>12%           | 206<br>18%  |
| 45-54                 | 186<br>16%  | 20<br>10%  | 52<br>11%  | 114<br>23% | 72<br>16%                  | 37<br>20%    | 49<br>14%                        | 95<br>18%    | 59<br>14%                              | 81<br>17%  | 150<br>18%      | 36<br>11%           | 141<br>12%  |
| 55-64                 | 169<br>15%  | 12<br>6%   | 69<br>15%  | 89<br>18%  | 72<br>16%                  | 28<br>15%    | 48<br>14%                        | 83<br>16%    | 64<br>15%                              | 76<br>16%  | 122<br>15%      | 48<br>15%           | 170<br>15%  |
| 65-74                 | 117<br>10%  | 9<br>5%    | 46<br>10%  | 62<br>13%  | 58<br>13%                  | 26<br>14%    | 40<br>12%                        | 53<br>10%    | 49<br>11%                              | 47<br>10%  | 54<br>7%        | 63<br>19%           | 159<br>14%  |
| 75+                   | 111<br>10%  | 18<br>10%  | 47<br>10%  | 46<br>9%   | 69<br>16%                  | 11<br>6%     | 42<br>13%                        | 51<br>10%    | 49<br>12%                              | 33<br>7%   | 18<br>2%        | 94<br>28%           | 135<br>12%  |
| 18-34                 | 356<br>31%  | 85<br>45%  | 179<br>38% | 93<br>19%  | 101<br>23%                 | 93<br>26%    | 98<br>29%                        | 125<br>24%   | 134<br>31%                             | 135<br>28% | 306<br>37%      | 51<br>15%           | 345<br>30%  |
| 35-54                 | 402<br>35%  | 63<br>34%  | 128<br>27% | 210<br>42% | 143<br>32%                 | 75<br>39%    | 108<br>32%                       | 203<br>39%   | 131<br>31%                             | 183<br>39% | 327<br>40%      | 74<br>23%           | 347<br>30%  |
| 55+                   | 398<br>34%  | 39<br>21%  | 162<br>35% | 197<br>39% | 200<br>45%                 | 65<br>34%    | 130<br>39%                       | 187<br>36%   | 162<br>38%                             | 156<br>33% | 193<br>23%      | 205<br>62%          | 464<br>40%  |
| <b>Social class</b>   |             |            |            |            |                            |              |                                  |              |  |            |                 |                     |             |
| AB                    | 310<br>27%  | 14<br>7%   | 94<br>20%  | 202<br>40% | 130<br>29%                 | 43<br>23%    | 107<br>32%                       | 128<br>25%   | 120<br>28%                             | 126<br>27% | 244<br>30%      | 66<br>20%           | 224<br>19%  |
| C1                    | 333<br>29%  | 49<br>26%  | 124<br>26% | 159<br>32% | 129<br>29%                 | 51<br>27%    | 100<br>30%                       | 150<br>29%   | 131<br>31%                             | 135<br>28% | 266<br>32%      | 67<br>20%           | 353<br>31%  |
| C2                    | 241<br>21%  | 38<br>20%  | 123<br>26% | 81<br>16%  | 89<br>20%                  | 40<br>21%    | 56<br>17%                        | 117<br>23%   | 86<br>20%                              | 101<br>21% | 160<br>19%      | 81<br>25%           | 257<br>22%  |
| DE                    | 272<br>24%  | 86<br>46%  | 129<br>28% | 57<br>12%  | 95<br>21%                  | 55<br>29%    | 73<br>22%                        | 120<br>23%   | 90<br>21%                              | 113<br>24% | 156<br>19%      | 116<br>35%          | 322<br>28%  |
| ABC1                  | 642<br>56%  | 63<br>34%  | 218<br>46% | 361<br>72% | 260<br>59%                 | 94<br>50%    | 207<br>62%                       | 278<br>54%   | 251<br>59%                             | 261<br>55% | 510<br>62%      | 132<br>40%          | 577<br>50%  |
| C2DE                  | 514<br>44%  | 124<br>66% | 252<br>54% | 138<br>28% | 184<br>41%                 | 95<br>50%    | 129<br>38%                       | 237<br>46%   | 176<br>41%                             | 213<br>45% | 316<br>38%      | 197<br>60%          | 579<br>50%  |
| <b>Region</b>         |             |            |            |            |                            |              |                                  |              |  |            |                 |                     |             |
| North                 | 387<br>33%  | 75<br>40%  | 157<br>33% | 155<br>31% | 124<br>28%                 | 74<br>39%    | 110<br>33%                       | 181<br>35%   | 147<br>34%                             | 167<br>35% | 284<br>34%      | 103<br>31%          | 438<br>38%  |
| South                 | 411<br>36%  | 54<br>29%  | 150<br>32% | 207<br>41% | 194<br>44%                 | 53<br>28%    | 123<br>37%                       | 166<br>32%   | 158<br>37%                             | 150<br>32% | 300<br>36%      | 111<br>34%          | 339<br>29%  |
| Midlands              | 358<br>31%  | 58<br>31%  | 162<br>35% | 137<br>27% | 125<br>28%                 | 63<br>33%    | 103<br>31%                       | 168<br>33%   | 123<br>29%                             | 158<br>33% | 242<br>29%      | 116<br>35%          | 379<br>33%  |
| <b>Marital status</b> |             |            |            |            |                            |              |                                  |              |  |            |                 |                     |             |
| Single                | 306<br>26%  | 75<br>40%  | 147<br>31% | 84<br>17%  | 94<br>21%                  | 53<br>28%    | 92<br>27%                        | 112<br>22%   | 115<br>27%                             | 123<br>26% | 235<br>28%      | 71<br>21%           | 290<br>25%  |
| Married /Co-habiting  | 681<br>59%  | 83<br>44%  | 249<br>53% | 349<br>70% | 267<br>60%                 | 116<br>61%   | 188<br>56%                       | 334<br>65%   | 237<br>56%                             | 295<br>62% | 521<br>63%      | 160<br>49%          | 669<br>58%  |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 293

|                                | Quiz score  |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |              | Satisfaction with MPs in general |              | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |                     | Unwtd total |             |
|--------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|--------------|--|------------|-----------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                | Scored 0-3  | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9 | Satisfied                  | Dissatisfied | Satisfied                        | Dissatisfied | Agree                                  | Disagree   | Use internet    | Do not use internet |             |             |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>1156</b> | <b>187</b> | <b>470</b> | <b>499</b>                 | <b>444</b>   | <b>190</b>                       | <b>336</b>   | <b>515</b>                             | <b>427</b> | <b>474</b>      | <b>826</b>          | <b>330</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| Widowed/Divorced/<br>Separated | <b>169</b>  | 29         | 73         | 67                         | 83           | 20                               | 56           | 69                                     | 75         | 56              | 70                  | 99          | 197         |
|                                | <b>15%</b>  | 16%        | 16%        | 13%                        | 19%          | 11%                              | 17%          | 13%                                    | 17%        | 12%             | 9%                  | 30%         | 17%         |
| Unweighted total               | <b>1156</b> | 210        | 463        | 483                        | 459          | 183                              | 349          | 502                                    | 438        | 450             | 762                 | 394         | 1156        |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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Table 294

|                       | Total       | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |
|-----------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|
|                       |             | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>1156</b> | <b>175</b>            | <b>373</b>               | <b>396</b>              | <b>387</b>  | <b>116</b>            | <b>157</b>         | <b>159</b>            | <b>191</b>      | <b>66</b>             | <b>92</b>       | <b>277</b>             | <b>99</b>         | <b>1156</b> |
| <b>Gender</b>         |             |                       |                          |                         |             |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   |             |
| Male                  | 561<br>49%  | 98<br>56%             | 184<br>49%               | 186<br>47%              | 191<br>49%  | 51<br>44%             | 74<br>47%          | 81<br>51%             | 90<br>47%       | 30<br>46%             | 49<br>53%       | 142<br>51%             | 45<br>45%         | 552<br>48%  |
| Female                | 595<br>51%  | 77<br>44%             | 189<br>51%               | 210<br>53%              | 195<br>51%  | 64<br>56%             | 82<br>53%          | 79<br>49%             | 102<br>53%      | 36<br>54%             | 43<br>47%       | 135<br>49%             | 54<br>55%         | 604<br>52%  |
| <b>Age</b>            |             |                       |                          |                         |             |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   |             |
| 18-24                 | 173<br>15%  | 26<br>15%             | 46<br>12%                | 73<br>18%               | 54<br>14%   | 10<br>9%              | 14<br>9%           | 11<br>7%              | 6<br>3%         | 8<br>11%              | 15<br>16%       | 79<br>29%              | 29<br>30%         | 138<br>12%  |
| 25-34                 | 183<br>16%  | 24<br>14%             | 52<br>14%                | 56<br>14%               | 75<br>19%   | 7<br>6%               | 20<br>13%          | 18<br>11%             | 20<br>11%       | 12<br>19%             | 20<br>22%       | 65<br>24%              | 19<br>20%         | 207<br>18%  |
| 35-44                 | 216<br>19%  | 29<br>16%             | 68<br>18%                | 82<br>21%               | 66<br>17%   | 19<br>17%             | 25<br>16%          | 16<br>10%             | 44<br>23%       | 7<br>11%              | 26<br>29%       | 60<br>22%              | 18<br>18%         | 206<br>18%  |
| 45-54                 | 186<br>16%  | 32<br>18%             | 65<br>17%                | 70<br>18%               | 51<br>13%   | 32<br>27%             | 40<br>25%          | 34<br>21%             | 22<br>11%       | 12<br>19%             | 4<br>5%         | 27<br>10%              | 15<br>16%         | 141<br>12%  |
| 55-64                 | 169<br>15%  | 31<br>18%             | 64<br>17%                | 54<br>14%               | 52<br>13%   | 29<br>25%             | 26<br>16%          | 45<br>28%             | 30<br>16%       | 7<br>10%              | 7<br>7%         | 19<br>7%               | 7<br>8%           | 170<br>15%  |
| 65-74                 | 117<br>10%  | 19<br>11%             | 40<br>11%                | 36<br>9%                | 42<br>11%   | 12<br>11%             | 21<br>13%          | 19<br>12%             | 32<br>17%       | 7<br>10%              | 10<br>11%       | 12<br>4%               | 4<br>4%           | 159<br>14%  |
| 75+                   | 111<br>10%  | 15<br>8%              | 38<br>10%                | 26<br>7%                | 47<br>12%   | 5<br>4%               | 11<br>7%           | 17<br>10%             | 37<br>19%       | 13<br>20%             | 9<br>10%        | 15<br>5%               | 5<br>5%           | 135<br>12%  |
| 18-34                 | 356<br>31%  | 50<br>29%             | 98<br>26%                | 129<br>33%              | 129<br>33%  | 18<br>15%             | 35<br>22%          | 29<br>18%             | 27<br>14%       | 20<br>30%             | 36<br>39%       | 145<br>52%             | 49<br>49%         | 345<br>30%  |
| 35-54                 | 402<br>35%  | 60<br>34%             | 133<br>36%               | 152<br>38%              | 117<br>30%  | 51<br>44%             | 65<br>41%          | 50<br>32%             | 65<br>34%       | 19<br>29%             | 31<br>33%       | 87<br>31%              | 33<br>34%         | 347<br>30%  |
| 55+                   | 398<br>34%  | 65<br>37%             | 142<br>38%               | 116<br>29%              | 141<br>36%  | 47<br>40%             | 57<br>37%          | 80<br>50%             | 99<br>52%       | 27<br>41%             | 26<br>28%       | 45<br>16%              | 17<br>17%         | 464<br>40%  |
| <b>Social class</b>   |             |                       |                          |                         |             |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   |             |
| AB                    | 310<br>27%  | 60<br>34%             | 130<br>35%               | 93<br>23%               | 86<br>22%   | 68<br>59%             | 70<br>45%          | 56<br>35%             | 25<br>13%       | 28<br>42%             | 13<br>15%       | 39<br>14%              | 10<br>11%         | 224<br>19%  |
| C1                    | 333<br>29%  | 51<br>29%             | 96<br>26%                | 124<br>31%              | 112<br>29%  | 29<br>25%             | 53<br>34%          | 47<br>30%             | 59<br>31%       | 23<br>34%             | 21<br>23%       | 82<br>30%              | 19<br>20%         | 353<br>31%  |
| C2                    | 241<br>21%  | 33<br>19%             | 75<br>20%                | 69<br>18%               | 97<br>25%   | 11<br>10%             | 16<br>10%          | 33<br>21%             | 46<br>24%       | 6<br>9%               | 28<br>31%       | 73<br>26%              | 27<br>27%         | 257<br>22%  |
| DE                    | 272<br>24%  | 31<br>18%             | 71<br>19%                | 110<br>28%              | 92<br>24%   | 7<br>6%               | 18<br>11%          | 23<br>14%             | 61<br>32%       | 10<br>15%             | 29<br>31%       | 83<br>30%              | 42<br>42%         | 322<br>28%  |
| ABC1                  | 642<br>56%  | 111<br>63%            | 226<br>61%               | 217<br>55%              | 199<br>51%  | 97<br>84%             | 123<br>78%         | 103<br>65%            | 84<br>44%       | 50<br>76%             | 35<br>38%       | 121<br>44%             | 30<br>30%         | 577<br>50%  |
| C2DE                  | 514<br>44%  | 64<br>37%             | 147<br>39%               | 179<br>45%              | 188<br>49%  | 19<br>16%             | 34<br>22%          | 56<br>35%             | 107<br>56%      | 16<br>24%             | 57<br>62%       | 157<br>56%             | 69<br>70%         | 579<br>50%  |
| <b>Region</b>         |             |                       |                          |                         |             |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   |             |
| North                 | 387<br>33%  | 27<br>15%             | 86<br>23%                | 125<br>31%              | 176<br>46%  | 26<br>22%             | 47<br>30%          | 40<br>25%             | 62<br>33%       | 23<br>34%             | 43<br>47%       | 100<br>36%             | 46<br>47%         | 438<br>38%  |
| South                 | 411<br>36%  | 106<br>60%            | 169<br>45%               | 148<br>37%              | 94<br>24%   | 57<br>50%             | 67<br>43%          | 61<br>38%             | 68<br>35%       | 23<br>34%             | 30<br>32%       | 83<br>30%              | 22<br>22%         | 339<br>29%  |
| Midlands              | 358<br>31%  | 43<br>25%             | 118<br>32%               | 123<br>31%              | 117<br>30%  | 32<br>28%             | 43<br>27%          | 58<br>36%             | 61<br>32%       | 21<br>31%             | 19<br>21%       | 93<br>34%              | 31<br>31%         | 379<br>33%  |
| <b>Marital status</b> |             |                       |                          |                         |             |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   |             |
| Single                | 306<br>26%  | 51<br>29%             | 89<br>24%                | 114<br>29%              | 102<br>26%  | 16<br>14%             | 29<br>18%          | 25<br>16%             | 27<br>14%       | 17<br>26%             | 33<br>35%       | 121<br>44%             | 39<br>40%         | 290<br>25%  |
| Married /Co-habiting  | 681<br>59%  | 98<br>56%             | 228<br>61%               | 235<br>59%              | 218<br>56%  | 87<br>75%             | 106<br>68%         | 114<br>71%            | 123<br>64%      | 35<br>54%             | 45<br>49%       | 125<br>45%             | 47<br>47%         | 669<br>58%  |

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|                                | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |             |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |             |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>1156</b>           | <b>175</b>               | <b>373</b>              | <b>396</b>  | <b>387</b>            | <b>116</b>         | <b>157</b>            | <b>159</b>      | <b>191</b>            | <b>66</b>       | <b>92</b>              | <b>277</b>        | <b>99</b>   | <b>1156</b> |
| Widowed/Divorced/<br>Separated | <b>169</b>            | 26                       | 56                      | 47          | 66                    | 13                 | 22                    | 20              | 42                    | 13              | 15                     | 31                | 13          | 197         |
|                                | <b>15%</b>            | 15%                      | 15%                     | 12%         | 17%                   | 11%                | 14%                   | 13%             | 22%                   | 20%             | 16%                    | 11%               | 13%         | 17%         |
| Unweighted total               | <b>1156</b>           | 163                      | 351                     | 386         | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146             | 228                   | 62              | 93                     | 287               | 102         | 1156        |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
 Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
 Number of sample points : 210  
 Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)

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|                              | Gender      |            | Age        |            |            |            |            |            |            |             |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                              | Male        | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34      | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34       | 35-54      | 55+        | AB           | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands  | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| <b>Total</b>                 | <b>1156</b> | <b>561</b> | <b>595</b> | <b>173</b> | <b>183</b> | <b>216</b> | <b>186</b> | <b>169</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>111</b>  | <b>356</b> | <b>402</b> | <b>398</b>   | <b>310</b> | <b>333</b> | <b>241</b> | <b>272</b> | <b>642</b> | <b>514</b> | <b>387</b> | <b>411</b> | <b>358</b>     | <b>306</b>            | <b>681</b>                     | <b>169</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| <b>Working status</b>        |             |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |             |            |            |              |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |                |                       |                                |             |             |
| Full time                    | 520<br>45%  | 329<br>59% | 191<br>32% | 61<br>36%  | 116<br>63% | 140<br>65% | 124<br>67% | 69<br>41%  | 7<br>6%    | 2<br>2%     | 177<br>50% | 265<br>66% | 78<br>20%    | 159<br>51% | 154<br>46% | 130<br>54% | 76<br>28%  | 313<br>49% | 207<br>40% | 182<br>47% | 182<br>44% | 156<br>44%     | 129<br>42%            | 350<br>51%                     | 40<br>24%   | 425<br>37%  |
| Part time                    | 109<br>9%   | 18<br>3%   | 91<br>15%  | 23<br>13%  | 16<br>9%   | 22<br>10%  | 28<br>15%  | 14<br>9%   | 6<br>5%    | 1<br>1%     | 39<br>11%  | 50<br>12%  | 21<br>5%     | 32<br>10%  | 36<br>11%  | 13<br>5%   | 28<br>10%  | 68<br>11%  | 41<br>8%   | 27<br>7%   | 54<br>13%  | 29<br>8%       | 30<br>10%             | 69<br>10%                      | 9<br>6%     | 109<br>9%   |
| Not working                  | 527<br>46%  | 214<br>38% | 314<br>53% | 89<br>51%  | 52<br>28%  | 54<br>25%  | 33<br>18%  | 86<br>51%  | 105<br>90% | 108<br>97%  | 141<br>39% | 87<br>22%  | 300<br>75%   | 119<br>38% | 143<br>43% | 98<br>41%  | 168<br>62% | 262<br>41% | 266<br>52% | 178<br>46% | 176<br>43% | 174<br>48%     | 147<br>48%            | 261<br>38%                     | 119<br>71%  | 622<br>54%  |
| <b>Children in household</b> |             |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |             |            |            |              |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |                |                       |                                |             |             |
| Yes                          | 372<br>32%  | 158<br>28% | 214<br>36% | 49<br>28%  | 89<br>49%  | 155<br>72% | 71<br>38%  | 9<br>5%    | -<br>-     | -<br>-      | 138<br>39% | 225<br>56% | 9<br>2%      | 94<br>30%  | 82<br>25%  | 82<br>34%  | 114<br>42% | 175<br>27% | 196<br>38% | 129<br>33% | 130<br>32% | 113<br>31%     | 70<br>23%             | 282<br>41%                     | 20<br>12%   | 360<br>31%  |
| No                           | 287<br>25%  | 167<br>30% | 120<br>20% | 91<br>53%  | 52<br>29%  | 22<br>10%  | 51<br>27%  | 54<br>32%  | 11<br>9%   | 6<br>5%     | 143<br>40% | 73<br>18%  | 71<br>18%    | 77<br>25%  | 97<br>29%  | 58<br>24%  | 55<br>20%  | 174<br>27% | 113<br>22% | 101<br>26% | 109<br>26% | 77<br>22%      | 155<br>51%            | 105<br>15%                     | 27<br>16%   | 234<br>20%  |
| <b>Newspaper readership</b>  |             |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |             |            |            |              |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |                |                       |                                |             |             |
| Quality                      | 253<br>22%  | 126<br>22% | 127<br>21% | 35<br>20%  | 30<br>16%  | 33<br>15%  | 44<br>24%  | 48<br>28%  | 26<br>22%  | 36<br>33%   | 65<br>18%  | 78<br>19%  | 110<br>28%   | 139<br>45% | 75<br>23%  | 21<br>9%   | 17<br>6%   | 214<br>33% | 38<br>7%   | 58<br>15%  | 121<br>30% | 73<br>20%      | 56<br>18%             | 159<br>23%                     | 38<br>23%   | 201<br>17%  |
| Popular                      | 423<br>37%  | 218<br>39% | 205<br>35% | 73<br>42%  | 72<br>39%  | 80<br>37%  | 47<br>25%  | 55<br>33%  | 48<br>41%  | 47<br>42%   | 145<br>41% | 127<br>32% | 151<br>38%   | 72<br>23%  | 115<br>35% | 119<br>49% | 117<br>43% | 187<br>29% | 236<br>46% | 175<br>45% | 140<br>34% | 108<br>30%     | 124<br>40%            | 234<br>34%                     | 66<br>39%   | 445<br>38%  |
| None                         | 522<br>45%  | 240<br>43% | 281<br>47% | 73<br>42%  | 90<br>49%  | 109<br>50% | 105<br>57% | 68<br>40%  | 48<br>41%  | 29<br>26%   | 163<br>46% | 214<br>53% | 145<br>36%   | 116<br>37% | 160<br>48% | 105<br>44% | 141<br>52% | 276<br>43% | 246<br>48% | 161<br>42% | 171<br>42% | 189<br>53%     | 140<br>46%            | 307<br>45%                     | 74<br>44%   | 548<br>47%  |
| <b>Education</b>             |             |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |             |            |            |              |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |                |                       |                                |             |             |
| GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12       | 320<br>28%  | 160<br>29% | 160<br>27% | 58<br>34%  | 48<br>26%  | 88<br>41%  | 61<br>33%  | 31<br>19%  | 24<br>20%  | 10<br>9%    | 106<br>30% | 149<br>37% | 65<br>16%    | 40<br>13%  | 91<br>27%  | 86<br>36%  | 103<br>38% | 130<br>20% | 190<br>37% | 116<br>30% | 97<br>24%  | 106<br>30%     | 99<br>32%             | 193<br>28%                     | 28<br>16%   | 318<br>28%  |
| A-Level or equiv.            | 213<br>18%  | 91<br>16%  | 123<br>21% | 68<br>39%  | 41<br>22%  | 28<br>13%  | 25<br>14%  | 32<br>19%  | 9<br>8%    | 10<br>9%    | 109<br>31% | 53<br>13%  | 51<br>13%    | 68<br>22%  | 77<br>23%  | 38<br>16%  | 31<br>11%  | 145<br>23% | 69<br>13%  | 75<br>19%  | 87<br>21%  | 52<br>14%      | 84<br>27%             | 106<br>16%                     | 23<br>14%   | 183<br>16%  |
| Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | 287<br>25%  | 146<br>26% | 141<br>24% | 30<br>17%  | 65<br>36%  | 55<br>26%  | 60<br>32%  | 37<br>22%  | 24<br>21%  | 15<br>13%   | 95<br>29%  | 116<br>19% | 76<br>19%    | 156<br>50% | 89<br>27%  | 30<br>12%  | 13<br>5%   | 244<br>38% | 43<br>8%   | 84<br>22%  | 131<br>32% | 72<br>20%      | 59<br>19%             | 193<br>28%                     | 35<br>20%   | 258<br>22%  |
| No formal quals.             | 219<br>19%  | 100<br>18% | 119<br>20% | 5<br>3%    | 18<br>10%  | 28<br>13%  | 22<br>12%  | 45<br>27%  | 44<br>38%  | 58<br>52%   | 23<br>6%   | 49<br>12%  | 147<br>37%   | 19<br>6%   | 47<br>14%  | 55<br>23%  | 99<br>36%  | 66<br>10%  | 154<br>30% | 72<br>19%  | 57<br>14%  | 90<br>25%      | 34<br>11%             | 123<br>18%                     | 62<br>37%   | 274<br>24%  |
| <b>Ethnicity</b>             |             |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |             |            |            |              |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |                |                       |                                |             |             |
| White                        | 1054<br>91% | 498<br>89% | 556<br>94% | 150<br>87% | 153<br>83% | 186<br>86% | 176<br>95% | 163<br>96% | 115<br>98% | 111<br>100% | 303<br>85% | 362<br>90% | 389<br>98%   | 296<br>96% | 300<br>90% | 223<br>92% | 236<br>86% | 596<br>93% | 458<br>89% | 371<br>96% | 353<br>86% | 330<br>92%     | 270<br>88%            | 622<br>91%                     | 163<br>96%  | 1007<br>87% |
| BME                          | 100<br>9%   | 62<br>11%  | 38<br>6%   | 23<br>13%  | 30<br>16%  | 30<br>14%  | 9<br>5%    | 6<br>4%    | 3<br>2%    | *<br>*      | 52<br>15%  | 39<br>10%  | 9<br>2%      | 13<br>4%   | 31<br>9%   | 19<br>8%   | 37<br>14%  | 45<br>7%   | 55<br>11%  | 15<br>4%   | 58<br>14%  | 27<br>8%       | 35<br>12%             | 58<br>9%                       | 6<br>4%     | 146<br>13%  |
| <b>GO Region</b>             |             |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |             |            |            |              |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |                |                       |                                |             |             |
| South East                   | 162<br>14%  | 73<br>13%  | 88<br>15%  | 18<br>11%  | 18<br>10%  | 24<br>11%  | 43<br>23%  | 28<br>17%  | 15<br>13%  | 15<br>13%   | 37<br>10%  | 67<br>17%  | 58<br>15%    | 67<br>22%  | 51<br>15%  | 22<br>9%   | 22<br>8%   | 118<br>18% | 44<br>9%   | -<br>-     | 162<br>39% | -<br>-         | 32<br>10%             | 100<br>15%                     | 30<br>18%   | 116<br>10%  |
| Eastern                      | 110<br>9%   | 53<br>9%   | 57<br>10%  | 19<br>11%  | 10<br>5%   | 20<br>9%   | 15<br>8%   | 13<br>8%   | 17<br>14%  | 15<br>14%   | 29<br>8%   | 45<br>11%  | 102<br>26%   | 36<br>12%  | 22<br>7%   | 31<br>13%  | 21<br>8%   | 57<br>9%   | 52<br>10%  | -<br>-     | -<br>-     | 110<br>31%     | 33<br>11%             | 53<br>8%                       | 23<br>14%   | 102<br>9%   |
| London                       | 147<br>13%  | 72<br>13%  | 74<br>13%  | 25<br>14%  | 33<br>18%  | 33<br>15%  | 15<br>8%   | 18<br>11%  | 9<br>8%    | 14<br>12%   | 58<br>16%  | 48<br>12%  | 41<br>10%    | 42<br>14%  | 48<br>14%  | 17<br>7%   | 40<br>15%  | 90<br>14%  | 57<br>11%  | -<br>-     | 147<br>36% | -<br>-         | 49<br>16%             | 78<br>11%                      | 19<br>11%   | 121<br>10%  |
| South West                   | 103<br>9%   | 45<br>8%   | 58<br>10%  | 16<br>9%   | 11<br>6%   | 17<br>8%   | 15<br>8%   | 14<br>8%   | 13<br>12%  | 16<br>14%   | 27<br>8%   | 43<br>11%  | 102<br>26%   | 29<br>9%   | 40<br>12%  | 19<br>8%   | 15<br>6%   | 69<br>11%  | 34<br>7%   | -<br>-     | 103<br>25% | -<br>-         | 28<br>9%              | 62<br>9%                       | 12<br>7%    | 102<br>9%   |
| West Midlands                | 104<br>9%   | 54<br>10%  | 50<br>8%   | 16<br>9%   | 15<br>8%   | 14<br>6%   | 25<br>13%  | 15<br>9%   | 10<br>9%   | 9<br>8%     | 30<br>8%   | 35<br>10%  | 109<br>26%   | 30<br>10%  | 24<br>7%   | 21<br>9%   | 28<br>10%  | 54<br>8%   | 50<br>10%  | -<br>-     | -<br>-     | 104<br>29%     | 22<br>7%              | 72<br>11%                      | 9<br>6%     | 109<br>9%   |
| East Midlands                | 87<br>7%    | 37<br>7%   | 50<br>8%   | 12<br>7%   | 10<br>5%   | 18<br>9%   | 11<br>6%   | 22<br>13%  | 6<br>5%    | 8<br>7%     | 21<br>6%   | 29<br>7%   | 37<br>9%     | 16<br>5%   | 25<br>7%   | 22<br>9%   | 24<br>9%   | 41<br>6%   | 46<br>9%   | -<br>-     | -<br>-     | 87<br>24%      | 19<br>6%              | 56<br>8%                       | 12<br>7%    | 71<br>6%    |
| Yorkshire and Humberside     | 101<br>9%   | 54<br>10%  | 46<br>8%   | 14<br>8%   | 16<br>9%   | 28<br>13%  | 18<br>10%  | 11<br>7%   | 8<br>6%    | 6<br>5%     | 30<br>8%   | 46<br>11%  | 24<br>6%     | 26<br>8%   | 24<br>7%   | 24<br>10%  | 27<br>10%  | 50<br>8%   | 51<br>10%  | 101<br>26% | -<br>-     | -<br>-         | 24<br>8%              | 65<br>10%                      | 11<br>7%    | 91<br>8%    |
| North West                   | 134<br>12%  | 73<br>13%  | 61<br>10%  | 24<br>14%  | 37<br>20%  | 23<br>11%  | 16<br>9%   | 13<br>8%   | 12<br>10%  | 9<br>8%     | 61<br>17%  | 39<br>10%  | 34<br>8%     | 18<br>6%   | 40<br>12%  | 34<br>14%  | 42<br>15%  | 58<br>9%   | 76<br>15%  | 134<br>35% | -<br>-     | -<br>-         | 48<br>16%             | 66<br>10%                      | 19<br>12%   | 122<br>11%  |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
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|                  | Gender      |            | Age        |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                  | Male        | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34      | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34      | 35-54      | 55+        | AB           | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands  | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |
| <b>Total</b>     | <b>1156</b> | <b>561</b> | <b>595</b> | <b>173</b> | <b>183</b> | <b>216</b> | <b>186</b> | <b>169</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>111</b> | <b>356</b> | <b>402</b> | <b>398</b>   | <b>310</b> | <b>333</b> | <b>241</b> | <b>272</b> | <b>642</b> | <b>514</b> | <b>387</b> | <b>411</b> | <b>358</b>     | <b>306</b>            | <b>681</b>                     | <b>169</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| North East       | <b>51</b>   | 25         | 26         | 9          | 11         | 6          | 8          | 9          | 3          | 4          | 20         | 15         | 16           | 12         | 12         | 12         | 15         | 24         | 27         | 51         | -          | -              | 18                    | 27                             | 6           | 68          |
|                  | <b>4%</b>   | 4%         | 4%         | 5%         | 6%         | 3%         | 5%         | 5%         | 2%         | 4%         | 6%         | 4%         | 4%           | 4%         | 4%         | 5%         | 5%         | 4%         | 5%         | 13%        | -          | -              | 6%                    | 4%                             | 3%          | 6%          |
| Wales            | <b>58</b>   | 30         | 27         | 4          | 8          | 7          | 8          | 12         | 12         | 6          | 13         | 15         | 30           | 11         | 13         | 19         | 15         | 24         | 34         | -          | -          | 58             | 13                    | 37                             | 8           | 97          |
|                  | <b>5%</b>   | 5%         | 5%         | 3%         | 5%         | 3%         | 4%         | 7%         | 10%        | 6%         | 4%         | 4%         | 8%           | 4%         | 4%         | 8%         | 6%         | 4%         | 7%         | -          | -          | 16%            | 4%                    | 5%                             | 5%          | 8%          |
| Scotland         | <b>102</b>  | 46         | 56         | 14         | 16         | 25         | 11         | 13         | 12         | 9          | 30         | 36         | 35           | 23         | 35         | 20         | 24         | 58         | 44         | 102        | -          | -              | 20                    | 65                             | 17          | 157         |
|                  | <b>9%</b>   | 8%         | 9%         | 8%         | 9%         | 12%        | 6%         | 8%         | 11%        | 8%         | 8%         | 9%         | 9%           | 7%         | 10%        | 8%         | 9%         | 9%         | 9%         | 26%        | -          | -              | 6%                    | 10%                            | 10%         | 14%         |
| Unweighted total | <b>1156</b> | 552        | 604        | 138        | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135        | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |

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|                              | Working status |            |            | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education  |                        |                   |                              | Ethnicity        |             | GO Region  |            |            |            |            |               |               |                          |            |            | Unwtd total |            |             |     |
|------------------------------|----------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-----|
|                              | Total          | Full time  | Part time  | Not working           | Yes        | No                   | Quality    | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White       | BME        | South East | Eastern    | London     | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East |             | Wales      | Scotland    |     |
| <b>Total</b>                 | <b>1156</b>    | <b>520</b> | <b>109</b> | <b>527</b>            | <b>372</b> | <b>287</b>           | <b>253</b> | <b>423</b> | <b>522</b> | <b>320</b>             | <b>213</b>        | <b>287</b>                   | <b>219</b>       | <b>1054</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>162</b> | <b>110</b> | <b>147</b> | <b>103</b> | <b>104</b>    | <b>87</b>     | <b>101</b>               | <b>134</b> | <b>51</b>  | <b>58</b>   | <b>102</b> | <b>1156</b> |     |
| <b>Working status</b>        |                |            |            |                       |            |                      |            |            |            |                        |                   |                              |                  |             |            |            |            |            |            |               |               |                          |            |            |             |            |             |     |
| Full time                    | 520            | 520        | -          | -                     | 204        | 148                  | 113        | 190        | 240        | 151                    | 100               | 168                          | 47               | 479         | 41         | 89         | 40         | 58         | 35         | 43            | 48            | 50                       | 60         | 18         | 25          | 55         | 425         |     |
|                              | 45%            | 100%       | -          | -                     | 55%        | 52%                  | 45%        | 45%        | 46%        | 47%                    | 47%               | 59%                          | 21%              | 45%         | 41%        | 55%        | 36%        | 39%        | 34%        | 41%           | 55%           | 49%                      | 45%        | 35%        | 44%         | 54%        | 37%         |     |
| Part time                    | 109            | -          | 109        | -                     | 48         | 29                   | 24         | 30         | 59         | 41                     | 24                | 32                           | 8                | 99          | 10         | 18         | 12         | 19         | 17         | 8             | 6             | 12                       | 7          | 3          | 2           | 5          | 109         |     |
|                              | 9%             | -          | 100%       | -                     | 13%        | 10%                  | 9%         | 7%         | 11%        | 13%                    | 11%               | 11%                          | 4%               | 9%          | 10%        | 11%        | 11%        | 13%        | 16%        | 8%            | 7%            | 12%                      | 5%         | 5%         | 3%          | 5%         | 9%          |     |
| Not working                  | 527            | -          | -          | 527                   | 120        | 110                  | 116        | 203        | 222        | 127                    | 90                | 87                           | 164              | 476         | 50         | 55         | 58         | 70         | 51         | 52            | 32            | 39                       | 67         | 30         | 31          | 42         | 622         |     |
|                              | 46%            | -          | -          | 100%                  | 32%        | 38%                  | 46%        | 48%        | 43%        | 40%                    | 42%               | 30%                          | 75%              | 45%         | 50%        | 34%        | 53%        | 48%        | 50%        | 51%           | 37%           | 38%                      | 50%        | 60%        | 53%         | 42%        | 54%         |     |
| <b>Children in household</b> |                |            |            |                       |            |                      |            |            |            |                        |                   |                              |                  |             |            |            |            |            |            |               |               |                          |            |            |             |            |             |     |
| Yes                          | 372            | 204        | 48         | 120                   | 372        | -                    | 62         | 133        | 189        | 145                    | 64                | 87                           | 43               | 312         | 60         | 51         | 28         | 56         | 22         | 38            | 35            | 48                       | 41         | 16         | 11          | 23         | 360         |     |
|                              | 32%            | 39%        | 44%        | 23%                   | 100%       | -                    | 25%        | 31%        | 36%        | 45%                    | 30%               | 30%                          | 20%              | 30%         | 60%        | 32%        | 26%        | 39%        | 22%        | 37%           | 40%           | 48%                      | 31%        | 32%        | 20%         | 23%        | 31%         |     |
| No                           | 287            | 148        | 29         | 110                   | -          | 287                  | 69         | 113        | 116        | 84                     | 73                | 68                           | 40               | 261         | 25         | 38         | 20         | 43         | 29         | 23            | 18            | 23                       | 45         | 16         | 17          | 17         | 234         |     |
|                              | 25%            | 28%        | 26%        | 21%                   | -          | 100%                 | 27%        | 27%        | 22%        | 26%                    | 34%               | 24%                          | 18%              | 25%         | 25%        | 23%        | 18%        | 29%        | 28%        | 22%           | 20%           | 23%                      | 34%        | 31%        | 29%         | 17%        | 20%         |     |
| <b>Newspaper readership</b>  |                |            |            |                       |            |                      |            |            |            |                        |                   |                              |                  |             |            |            |            |            |            |               |               |                          |            |            |             |            |             |     |
| Quality                      | 253            | 113        | 24         | 116                   | 62         | 69                   | 253        | 41         | -          | 29                     | 66                | 126                          | 13               | 244         | 8          | 55         | 31         | 46         | 20         | 21            | 14            | 11                       | 13         | 10         | 6           | 25         | 201         |     |
|                              | 22%            | 22%        | 22%        | 22%                   | 17%        | 24%                  | 100%       | 10%        | -          | 9%                     | 31%               | 44%                          | 6%               | 23%         | 8%         | 34%        | 28%        | 32%        | 19%        | 21%           | 16%           | 10%                      | 9%         | 19%        | 11%         | 25%        | 17%         |     |
| Popular                      | 423            | 190        | 30         | 203                   | 133        | 113                  | 41         | 423        | -          | 124                    | 80                | 68                           | 101              | 378         | 44         | 43         | 36         | 73         | 24         | 26            | 25            | 35                       | 72         | 21         | 21          | 46         | 445         |     |
|                              | 37%            | 36%        | 28%        | 39%                   | 36%        | 39%                  | 16%        | 100%       | -          | 39%                    | 37%               | 24%                          | 46%              | 36%         | 44%        | 27%        | 33%        | 50%        | 23%        | 25%           | 29%           | 35%                      | 54%        | 41%        | 36%         | 45%        | 38%         |     |
| None                         | 522            | 240        | 59         | 222                   | 189        | 116                  | -          | -          | 522        | 169                    | 80                | 113                          | 106              | 470         | 51         | 76         | 48         | 37         | 59         | 59            | 50            | 55                       | 49         | 21         | 32          | 36         | 548         |     |
|                              | 45%            | 46%        | 54%        | 42%                   | 51%        | 40%                  | -          | -          | 100%       | 53%                    | 38%               | 39%                          | 48%              | 45%         | 51%        | 47%        | 44%        | 25%        | 57%        | 57%           | 57%           | 55%                      | 37%        | 40%        | 56%         | 35%        | 47%         |     |
| <b>Education</b>             |                |            |            |                       |            |                      |            |            |            |                        |                   |                              |                  |             |            |            |            |            |            |               |               |                          |            |            |             |            |             |     |
| GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12       | 320            | 151        | 41         | 127                   | 145        | 84                   | 29         | 124        | 169        | 320                    | -                 | -                            | -                | 299         | 21         | 37         | 39         | 27         | 34         | 30            | 18            | 41                       | 40         | 14         | 19          | 21         | 318         |     |
|                              | 28%            | 29%        | 38%        | 24%                   | 39%        | 29%                  | 11%        | 29%        | 32%        | 100%                   | -                 | -                            | -                | 28%         | 21%        | 23%        | 36%        | 18%        | 33%        | 29%           | 21%           | 41%                      | 30%        | 28%        | 32%         | 21%        | 28%         |     |
| A-Level or equiv.            | 213            | 100        | 24         | 90                    | 64         | 73                   | 66         | 80         | 80         | -                      | 213               | -                            | -                | 195         | 17         | 28         | 14         | 32         | 27         | 17            | 16            | 13                       | 29         | 11         | 4           | 22         | 183         |     |
|                              | 18%            | 19%        | 22%        | 17%                   | 17%        | 25%                  | 26%        | 19%        | 15%        | -                      | 100%              | -                            | -                | 19%         | 17%        | 18%        | 13%        | 22%        | 26%        | 16%           | 18%           | 13%                      | 22%        | 21%        | 8%          | 22%        | 16%         |     |
| Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | 287            | 168        | 32         | 87                    | 87         | 68                   | 126        | 68         | 113        | -                      | -                 | 287                          | -                | 259         | 27         | 62         | 19         | 50         | 20         | 23            | 16            | 18                       | 25         | 12         | 13          | 29         | 258         |     |
|                              | 25%            | 32%        | 29%        | 16%                   | 23%        | 24%                  | 50%        | 16%        | 22%        | -                      | -                 | 100%                         | -                | 25%         | 27%        | 38%        | 17%        | 34%        | 19%        | 22%           | 19%           | 17%                      | 19%        | 23%        | 23%         | 29%        | 22%         |     |
| No formal quals.             | 219            | 47         | 8          | 164                   | 43         | 40                   | 13         | 101        | 106        | -                      | -                 | -                            | 219              | 195         | 24         | 14         | 21         | 29         | 15         | 24            | 31            | 19                       | 25         | 8          | 14          | 19         | 274         |     |
|                              | 19%            | 9%         | 7%         | 31%                   | 12%        | 14%                  | 5%         | 24%        | 20%        | -                      | -                 | -                            | 100%             | 19%         | 24%        | 9%         | 19%        | 20%        | 14%        | 23%           | 36%           | 19%                      | 19%        | 16%        | 24%         | 19%        | 24%         |     |
| <b>Ethnicity</b>             |                |            |            |                       |            |                      |            |            |            |                        |                   |                              |                  |             |            |            |            |            |            |               |               |                          |            |            |             |            |             |     |
| White                        | 1054           | 479        | 99         | 476                   | 312        | 261                  | 244        | 378        | 470        | 299                    | 195               | 259                          | 195              | 1054        | -          | 159        | 105        | 93         | 102        | 91            | 77            | 100                      | 119        | 50         | 57          | 101        | 1007        |     |
|                              | 91%            | 92%        | 91%        | 90%                   | 84%        | 91%                  | 97%        | 89%        | 90%        | 93%                    | 91%               | 90%                          | 89%              | 100%        | -          | 98%        | 96%        | 63%        | 99%        | 88%           | 88%           | 100%                     | 89%        | 99%        | 99%         | 99%        | 87%         |     |
| BME                          | 100            | 41         | 10         | 50                    | 60         | 25                   | 8          | 44         | 51         | 21                     | 17                | 27                           | 24               | -           | 100        | 3          | 4          | 53         | 1          | 13            | 10            | *                        | 14         | 1          | *           | 1          | 146         |     |
|                              | 9%             | 8%         | 9%         | 9%                    | 16%        | 9%                   | 3%         | 10%        | 10%        | 7%                     | 8%                | 9%                           | 11%              | -           | 100%       | 2%         | 4%         | 36%        | 1%         | 12%           | 12%           | *                        | 10%        | 1%         | 1%          | 1%         | 13%         |     |
| <b>GO Region</b>             |                |            |            |                       |            |                      |            |            |            |                        |                   |                              |                  |             |            |            |            |            |            |               |               |                          |            |            |             |            |             |     |
| South East                   | 162            | 89         | 18         | 55                    | 51         | 38                   | 55         | 43         | 76         | 37                     | 28                | 62                           | 14               | 159         | 3          | 162        | -          | -          | -          | -             | -             | -                        | -          | -          | -           | -          | -           | 116 |
|                              | 14%            | 17%        | 17%        | 10%                   | 14%        | 13%                  | 22%        | 10%        | 15%        | 12%                    | 13%               | 22%                          | 6%               | 15%         | 3%         | 100%       | -          | -          | -          | -             | -             | -                        | -          | -          | -           | -          | -           | 10% |
| Eastern                      | 110            | 40         | 12         | 58                    | 28         | 20                   | 31         | 36         | 48         | 39                     | 14                | 19                           | 21               | 105         | 4          | -          | 110        | -          | -          | -             | -             | -                        | -          | -          | -           | -          | -           | 102 |
|                              | 9%             | 8%         | 11%        | 11%                   | 8%         | 7%                   | 12%        | 9%         | 9%         | 12%                    | 7%                | 7%                           | 10%              | 10%         | 4%         | -          | 100%       | -          | -          | -             | -             | -                        | -          | -          | -           | -          | -           | 9%  |
| London                       | 147            | 58         | 19         | 70                    | 56         | 43                   | 46         | 73         | 37         | 27                     | 32                | 50                           | 29               | 93          | 53         | -          | -          | 147        | -          | -             | -             | -                        | -          | -          | -           | -          | -           | 121 |
|                              | 13%            | 11%        | 17%        | 13%                   | 15%        | 15%                  | 18%        | 17%        | 7%         | 8%                     | 15%               | 17%                          | 13%              | 9%          | 53%        | -          | -          | 100%       | -          | -             | -             | -                        | -          | -          | -           | -          | -           | 10% |
| South West                   | 103            | 35         | 17         | 51                    | 22         | 29                   | 20         | 24         | 59         | 34                     | 27                | 20                           | 15               | 102         | 1          | -          | -          | -          | 103        | -             | -             | -                        | -          | -          | -           | -          | -           | 102 |
|                              | 9%             | 7%         | 15%        | 10%                   | 6%         | 10%                  | 8%         | 6%         | 11%        | 10%                    | 13%               | 7%                           | 7%               | 10%         | 1%         | -          | -          | -          | 100%       | -             | -             | -                        | -          | -          | -           | -          | 9%          |     |
| West Midlands                | 104            | 43         | 8          | 52                    | 38         | 23                   | 21         | 26         | 59         | 30                     | 17                | 23                           | 24               | 91          | 13         | -          | -          | -          | -          | 104           | -             | -                        | -          | -          | -           | -          | -           | 109 |
|                              | 9%             | 8%         | 8%         | 10%                   | 10%        | 8%                   | 9%         | 6%         | 11%        | 9%                     | 8%                | 8%                           | 11%              | 9%          | 13%        | -          | -          | -          | -          | 100%          | -             | -                        | -          | -          | -           | -          | -           | 9%  |
| East Midlands                | 87             | 48         | 6          | 32                    | 35         | 18                   | 14         | 25         | 50         | 18                     | 16                | 16                           | 31               | 77          | 10         | -          | -          | -          | -          | -             | 87            | -                        | -          | -          | -           | -          | -           | 71  |
|                              | 7%             | 9%         | 6%         | 6%                    | 9%         | 6%                   | 6%         | 6%         | 9%         | 6%                     | 7%                | 6%                           | 14%              | 7%          | 10%        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -             | 100%          | -                        | -          | -          | -           | -          | -           | 6%  |
| Yorkshire and Humberside     | 101            | 50         | 12         | 39                    | 48         | 23                   | 11         | 35         | 55         | 41                     | 13                | 18                           | 19               | 100         | *          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -             | -             | 101                      | -          | -          | -           | -          | 91          |     |
|                              | 9%             | 10%        | 11%        | 7%                    | 13%        | 8%                   | 4%         | 8%         | 11%        | 13%                    | 6%                | 6%                           | 9%               | 10%         | *          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -             | -             | 100%                     | -          | -          | -           | -          | 8%          |     |
| North West                   | 134            | 60         | 7          | 67                    | 41         | 45                   | 13         | 72         | 49         | 40                     | 29                | 25                           | 25               | 119         | 14         | -          | -          | -          | -          | -             | -             | -                        | 134        | -          | -           | -          | 122         |     |
|                              | 12%            | 12%        | 7%         | 13%                   | 11%        | 16%                  | 5%         | 17%        | 9%         | 12%                    | 14%               | 9%                           | 11%              | 11%         | 14%        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -             | -             | -                        | 100%       | -          | -           | -          | 11%         |     |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
Number of sample points : 210  
Source : Ipsos MORI (JN J37295)



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|                  | Working status   |            |            | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education  |                        |                   |                              | Ethnicity        |             | GO Region  |            |            |            |            |               |               |                          |            |            | Unwtd total |            |             |            |
|------------------|------------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|
|                  | Total            | Full time  | Part time  | Not working           | Yes        | No                   | Quality    | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White       | BME        | South East | Eastern    | London     | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East |             | Wales      | Scotland    |            |
| <b>Total</b>     | <b>1156</b>      | <b>520</b> | <b>109</b> | <b>527</b>            | <b>372</b> | <b>287</b>           | <b>253</b> | <b>423</b> | <b>522</b> | <b>320</b>             | <b>213</b>        | <b>287</b>                   | <b>219</b>       | <b>1054</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>162</b> | <b>110</b> | <b>147</b> | <b>103</b> | <b>104</b>    | <b>87</b>     | <b>101</b>               | <b>134</b> | <b>51</b>  | <b>58</b>   | <b>102</b> | <b>1156</b> |            |
| North East       | <b>51</b><br>4%  | 18<br>3%   | 3<br>2%    | 30<br>6%              | 16<br>4%   | 16<br>5%             | 10<br>4%   | 21<br>5%   | 21<br>4%   | 14<br>4%               | 11<br>5%          | 12<br>4%                     | 8<br>4%          | 50<br>5%    | 1<br>1%    | -          | -          | -          | -          | -             | -             | -                        | -          | -          | 51<br>100%  | -          | -           | 68<br>6%   |
| Wales            | <b>58</b><br>5%  | 25<br>5%   | 2<br>2%    | 31<br>6%              | 11<br>3%   | 17<br>6%             | 6<br>3%    | 21<br>5%   | 32<br>6%   | 19<br>6%               | 4<br>2%           | 13<br>5%                     | 14<br>6%         | 57<br>5%    | *<br>*     | -          | -          | -          | -          | -             | -             | -                        | -          | -          | -           | 58<br>100% | -           | 97<br>8%   |
| Scotland         | <b>102</b><br>9% | 55<br>11%  | 5<br>4%    | 42<br>8%              | 23<br>6%   | 17<br>6%             | 25<br>10%  | 46<br>11%  | 36<br>7%   | 21<br>7%               | 22<br>10%         | 29<br>10%                    | 19<br>9%         | 101<br>10%  | 1<br>1%    | -          | -          | -          | -          | -             | -             | -                        | -          | -          | -           | -          | 102<br>100% | 157<br>14% |
| Unweighted total | <b>1156</b>      | 425        | 109        | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548        | 318                    | 183               | 258                          | 274              | 1007        | 146        | 116        | 102        | 121        | 102        | 109           | 71            | 91                       | 122        | 68         | 97          | 157        | 1156        |            |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
Fieldwork dates : 13th - 19th November 2009  
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|                              | Total       | Urbanity   |             |            | Interest in politics |                | Likelihood to vote |                | Political activism |              | Opinion on present system |                   | Knew local MP |            | Unwtd total |
|------------------------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|
|                              |             | Urban      | Rural       | Mixed      | Interested           | Not interested | Certain to         | Certain not to | Activist           | Non-activist | Works well                | Needs improvement | Yes           | No         |             |
| <b>Total</b>                 | <b>1156</b> | <b>784</b> | <b>136</b>  | <b>235</b> | <b>611</b>           | <b>539</b>     | <b>619</b>         | <b>140</b>     | <b>180</b>         | <b>976</b>   | <b>322</b>                | <b>793</b>        | <b>511</b>    | <b>645</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| <b>Working status</b>        |             |            |             |            |                      |                |                    |                |                    |              |                           |                   |               |            |             |
| Full time                    | 520<br>45%  | 360<br>46% | 56<br>41%   | 104<br>44% | 293<br>48%           | 223<br>41%     | 269<br>44%         | 56<br>40%      | 93<br>52%          | 426<br>44%   | 132<br>41%                | 371<br>47%        | 225<br>44%    | 295<br>46% | 425<br>37%  |
| Part time                    | 109<br>9%   | 76<br>10%  | 12<br>9%    | 21<br>9%   | 56<br>9%             | 53<br>10%      | 49<br>8%           | 10<br>7%       | 21<br>12%          | 88<br>9%     | 33<br>10%                 | 75<br>9%          | 41<br>8%      | 68<br>11%  | 109<br>9%   |
| Not working                  | 527<br>46%  | 348<br>44% | 69<br>50%   | 110<br>47% | 262<br>43%           | 263<br>49%     | 300<br>48%         | 74<br>53%      | 66<br>36%          | 462<br>47%   | 156<br>49%                | 347<br>44%        | 245<br>48%    | 282<br>44% | 622<br>54%  |
| <b>Children in household</b> |             |            |             |            |                      |                |                    |                |                    |              |                           |                   |               |            |             |
| Yes                          | 372<br>32%  | 272<br>35% | 37<br>27%   | 63<br>27%  | 167<br>27%           | 202<br>37%     | 168<br>27%         | 64<br>46%      | 52<br>29%          | 319<br>33%   | 92<br>29%                 | 268<br>34%        | 145<br>28%    | 227<br>35% | 360<br>31%  |
| No                           | 287<br>25%  | 199<br>25% | 32<br>23%   | 56<br>24%  | 139<br>23%           | 145<br>27%     | 126<br>20%         | 39<br>28%      | 31<br>18%          | 255<br>26%   | 83<br>26%                 | 184<br>23%        | 115<br>22%    | 172<br>27% | 234<br>20%  |
| <b>Newspaper readership</b>  |             |            |             |            |                      |                |                    |                |                    |              |                           |                   |               |            |             |
| Quality                      | 253<br>22%  | 185<br>24% | 26<br>19%   | 42<br>18%  | 214<br>35%           | 37<br>7%       | 190<br>31%         | 8<br>6%        | 77<br>43%          | 176<br>18%   | 78<br>24%                 | 172<br>22%        | 148<br>29%    | 105<br>16% | 201<br>17%  |
| Popular                      | 423<br>37%  | 291<br>37% | 48<br>35%   | 85<br>36%  | 195<br>32%           | 226<br>42%     | 195<br>31%         | 52<br>38%      | 36<br>20%          | 387<br>40%   | 108<br>34%                | 298<br>38%        | 190<br>37%    | 233<br>36% | 445<br>38%  |
| None                         | 522<br>45%  | 340<br>43% | 70<br>51%   | 112<br>48% | 240<br>39%           | 277<br>52%     | 262<br>42%         | 83<br>59%      | 81<br>45%          | 441<br>45%   | 141<br>44%                | 359<br>45%        | 192<br>38%    | 330<br>51% | 548<br>47%  |
| <b>Education</b>             |             |            |             |            |                      |                |                    |                |                    |              |                           |                   |               |            |             |
| GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12       | 320<br>28%  | 201<br>26% | 39<br>29%   | 80<br>34%  | 112<br>18%           | 206<br>38%     | 135<br>22%         | 61<br>44%      | 24<br>14%          | 296<br>30%   | 69<br>22%                 | 240<br>30%        | 130<br>26%    | 190<br>29% | 318<br>28%  |
| A-Level or equiv.            | 213<br>18%  | 155<br>20% | 23<br>17%   | 35<br>15%  | 123<br>20%           | 91<br>17%      | 99<br>16%          | 26<br>19%      | 28<br>15%          | 186<br>19%   | 72<br>22%                 | 137<br>17%        | 90<br>18%     | 123<br>19% | 183<br>16%  |
| Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | 287<br>25%  | 218<br>28% | 26<br>19%   | 43<br>18%  | 216<br>35%           | 68<br>13%      | 189<br>30%         | 14<br>10%      | 98<br>54%          | 189<br>19%   | 95<br>30%                 | 188<br>24%        | 137<br>27%    | 150<br>23% | 258<br>22%  |
| No formal quals.             | 219<br>19%  | 141<br>18% | 39<br>28%   | 40<br>17%  | 90<br>15%            | 128<br>24%     | 127<br>21%         | 21<br>15%      | 14<br>8%           | 205<br>21%   | 57<br>18%                 | 146<br>18%        | 102<br>20%    | 117<br>18% | 274<br>24%  |
| <b>Ethnicity</b>             |             |            |             |            |                      |                |                    |                |                    |              |                           |                   |               |            |             |
| White                        | 1054<br>91% | 687<br>88% | 136<br>100% | 231<br>98% | 571<br>93%           | 479<br>89%     | 580<br>94%         | 129<br>93%     | 175<br>98%         | 879<br>90%   | 279<br>87%                | 742<br>93%        | 484<br>95%    | 571<br>88% | 1007<br>87% |
| BME                          | 100<br>9%   | 95<br>12%  | 1<br>*      | 4<br>2%    | 39<br>6%             | 59<br>11%      | 38<br>6%           | 10<br>7%       | 4<br>2%            | 96<br>10%    | 42<br>13%                 | 51<br>6%          | 27<br>5%      | 73<br>11%  | 146<br>13%  |
| <b>GO Region</b>             |             |            |             |            |                      |                |                    |                |                    |              |                           |                   |               |            |             |
| South East                   | 162<br>14%  | 109<br>14% | 13<br>9%    | 40<br>17%  | 114<br>19%           | 47<br>9%       | 97<br>16%          | 15<br>11%      | 45<br>25%          | 117<br>12%   | 41<br>13%                 | 119<br>15%        | 86<br>17%     | 76<br>12%  | 116<br>10%  |
| Eastern                      | 110<br>9%   | 65<br>8%   | 15<br>11%   | 29<br>12%  | 61<br>10%            | 47<br>9%       | 66<br>11%          | 11<br>8%       | 16<br>9%           | 93<br>10%    | 30<br>9%                  | 80<br>10%         | 48<br>9%      | 61<br>10%  | 102<br>9%   |
| London                       | 147<br>13%  | 147<br>19% | -           | -          | 78<br>13%            | 66<br>12%      | 69<br>11%          | 14<br>10%      | 21<br>12%          | 126<br>13%   | 44<br>14%                 | 83<br>11%         | 78<br>15%     | 68<br>11%  | 121<br>10%  |
| South West                   | 103<br>9%   | 55<br>7%   | 29<br>21%   | 19<br>8%   | 63<br>10%            | 39<br>7%       | 73<br>12%          | 7<br>5%        | 27<br>15%          | 76<br>8%     | 25<br>8%                  | 77<br>10%         | 59<br>11%     | 44<br>7%   | 102<br>9%   |
| West Midlands                | 104<br>9%   | 69<br>9%   | 5<br>4%     | 30<br>13%  | 53<br>9%             | 50<br>9%       | 52<br>8%           | 13<br>9%       | 10<br>6%           | 94<br>10%    | 23<br>7%                  | 80<br>10%         | 29<br>6%      | 74<br>12%  | 109<br>9%   |
| East Midlands                | 87<br>7%    | 59<br>8%   | 13<br>9%    | 15<br>6%   | 39<br>6%             | 47<br>9%       | 48<br>8%           | 4<br>3%        | 14<br>8%           | 72<br>7%     | 34<br>11%                 | 49<br>6%          | 39<br>8%      | 47<br>7%   | 71<br>6%    |
| Yorkshire and Humberside     | 101<br>9%   | 75<br>10%  | 11<br>8%    | 15<br>6%   | 37<br>6%             | 64<br>12%      | 48<br>8%           | 17<br>12%      | 11<br>6%           | 89<br>9%     | 26<br>8%                  | 72<br>9%          | 42<br>8%      | 59<br>9%   | 91<br>8%    |
| North West                   | 134<br>12%  | 95<br>12%  | 8<br>6%     | 31<br>13%  | 62<br>10%            | 71<br>13%      | 56<br>9%           | 25<br>18%      | 8<br>5%            | 126<br>13%   | 45<br>14%                 | 84<br>11%         | 59<br>11%     | 75<br>12%  | 122<br>11%  |
| North East                   | 51<br>4%    | 27<br>3%   | 9<br>6%     | 15<br>6%   | 25<br>4%             | 25<br>5%       | 27<br>4%           | 8<br>6%        | 8<br>5%            | 43<br>4%     | 12<br>4%                  | 38<br>5%          | 11<br>2%      | 40<br>6%   | 68<br>6%    |

Respondent type : General Public adults 18+  
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|                  | Urbanity   |            |            | Interest in politics |                | Likelihood to vote |                | Political activism |              | Opinion on present system |                   | Knew local MP |            | Unwtd total |
|------------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|
|                  | Urban      | Rural      | Mixed      | Interested           | Not interested | Certain to         | Certain not to | Activist           | Non-activist | Works well                | Needs improvement | Yes           | No         |             |
| <b>Total</b>     | <b>784</b> | <b>136</b> | <b>235</b> | <b>611</b>           | <b>539</b>     | <b>619</b>         | <b>140</b>     | <b>180</b>         | <b>976</b>   | <b>322</b>                | <b>793</b>        | <b>511</b>    | <b>645</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| Wales            | 25         | 9          | 23         | 27                   | 31             | 32                 | 9              | 6                  | 51           | 10                        | 46                | 22            | 36         | 97          |
|                  | 5%         | 3%         | 7%         | 4%                   | 6%             | 5%                 | 6%             | 4%                 | 5%           | 3%                        | 6%                | 4%            | 6%         | 8%          |
| Scotland         | 58         | 25         | 18         | 51                   | 50             | 50                 | 17             | 13                 | 89           | 33                        | 65                | 38            | 64         | 157         |
|                  | 9%         | 7%         | 8%         | 8%                   | 9%             | 8%                 | 12%            | 7%                 | 9%           | 10%                       | 8%                | 7%            | 10%        | 14%         |
| Unweighted total | 773        | 145        | 238        | 580                  | 569            | 627                | 143            | 160                | 996          | 327                       | 783               | 495           | 661        | 1156        |

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|                              | Total       | Quiz score |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |              | Satisfaction with MPs in general |              | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |                     | Unwtd total |
|------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|--------------|--|------------|-----------------|---------------------|-------------|
|                              |             | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9 | Satisfied                  | Dissatisfied | Satisfied                        | Dissatisfied | Agree                                  | Disagree   | Use internet    | Do not use internet |             |
| <b>Total</b>                 | <b>1156</b> | <b>187</b> | <b>470</b> | <b>499</b> | <b>444</b>                 | <b>190</b>   | <b>336</b>                       | <b>515</b>   | <b>427</b>                             | <b>474</b> | <b>826</b>      | <b>330</b>          | <b>1156</b> |
| <b>Working status</b>        |             |            |            |            |                            |              |                                  |              |  |            |                 |                     |             |
| Full time                    | 520<br>45%  | 70<br>37%  | 204<br>44% | 245<br>49% | 166<br>37%                 | 99<br>52%    | 136<br>41%                       | 263<br>51%   | 191<br>45%                             | 220<br>46% | 451<br>55%      | 69<br>21%           | 425<br>37%  |
| Part time                    | 109<br>9%   | 18<br>9%   | 39<br>8%   | 52<br>10%  | 40<br>9%                   | 16<br>8%     | 31<br>9%                         | 36<br>7%     | 30<br>7%                               | 50<br>11%  | 89<br>11%       | 21<br>6%            | 109<br>9%   |
| Not working                  | 527<br>46%  | 100<br>53% | 226<br>48% | 202<br>40% | 237<br>53%                 | 75<br>40%    | 168<br>50%                       | 216<br>42%   | 207<br>48%                             | 203<br>43% | 287<br>35%      | 240<br>73%          | 622<br>54%  |
| <b>Children in household</b> |             |            |            |            |                            |              |                                  |              |  |            |                 |                     |             |
| Yes                          | 372<br>32%  | 78<br>42%  | 144<br>31% | 149<br>30% | 129<br>29%                 | 61<br>32%    | 89<br>26%                        | 181<br>35%   | 123<br>29%                             | 173<br>37% | 304<br>37%      | 68<br>21%           | 360<br>31%  |
| No                           | 287<br>25%  | 56<br>30%  | 132<br>28% | 98<br>20%  | 102<br>23%                 | 50<br>27%    | 87<br>26%                        | 115<br>22%   | 107<br>25%                             | 116<br>25% | 232<br>28%      | 55<br>17%           | 234<br>20%  |
| <b>Newspaper readership</b>  |             |            |            |            |                            |              |                                  |              |  |            |                 |                     |             |
| Quality                      | 253<br>22%  | 12<br>6%   | 74<br>16%  | 167<br>33% | 129<br>29%                 | 33<br>18%    | 94<br>28%                        | 102<br>20%   | 88<br>21%                              | 107<br>23% | 205<br>25%      | 48<br>14%           | 201<br>17%  |
| Popular                      | 423<br>37%  | 87<br>47%  | 199<br>42% | 137<br>27% | 160<br>36%                 | 77<br>41%    | 109<br>33%                       | 198<br>39%   | 168<br>39%                             | 162<br>34% | 282<br>34%      | 141<br>43%          | 445<br>38%  |
| None                         | 522<br>45%  | 92<br>49%  | 209<br>45% | 221<br>44% | 169<br>38%                 | 89<br>47%    | 148<br>44%                       | 229<br>45%   | 185<br>43%                             | 225<br>48% | 377<br>46%      | 145<br>44%          | 548<br>47%  |
| <b>Education</b>             |             |            |            |            |                            |              |                                  |              |  |            |                 |                     |             |
| GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12       | 320<br>28%  | 67<br>36%  | 143<br>30% | 110<br>22% | 106<br>24%                 | 62<br>33%    | 81<br>24%                        | 155<br>30%   | 94<br>22%                              | 152<br>32% | 235<br>28%      | 85<br>26%           | 318<br>28%  |
| A-Level or equiv.            | 213<br>18%  | 24<br>13%  | 98<br>21%  | 91<br>18%  | 76<br>17%                  | 22<br>12%    | 65<br>19%                        | 83<br>16%    | 81<br>19%                              | 85<br>18%  | 183<br>22%      | 30<br>9%            | 183<br>16%  |
| Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | 287<br>25%  | 17<br>9%   | 74<br>16%  | 196<br>39% | 120<br>27%                 | 43<br>23%    | 104<br>31%                       | 100<br>19%   | 126<br>29%                             | 108<br>23% | 260<br>32%      | 26<br>8%            | 258<br>22%  |
| No formal quals.             | 219<br>19%  | 67<br>36%  | 107<br>23% | 46<br>9%   | 95<br>21%                  | 39<br>20%    | 59<br>18%                        | 110<br>21%   | 80<br>19%                              | 82<br>17%  | 64<br>8%        | 155<br>47%          | 274<br>24%  |
| <b>Ethnicity</b>             |             |            |            |            |                            |              |                                  |              |  |            |                 |                     |             |
| White                        | 1054<br>91% | 149<br>80% | 420<br>89% | 485<br>97% | 396<br>89%                 | 182<br>96%   | 290<br>86%                       | 491<br>95%   | 379<br>89%                             | 450<br>95% | 766<br>93%      | 289<br>88%          | 1007<br>87% |
| BME                          | 100<br>9%   | 38<br>20%  | 49<br>10%  | 13<br>3%   | 46<br>10%                  | 8<br>4%      | 46<br>14%                        | 24<br>5%     | 46<br>11%                              | 24<br>5%   | 60<br>7%        | 40<br>12%           | 146<br>13%  |
| <b>GO Region</b>             |             |            |            |            |                            |              |                                  |              |  |            |                 |                     |             |
| South East                   | 162<br>14%  | 11<br>6%   | 46<br>10%  | 105<br>21% | 81<br>18%                  | 13<br>7%     | 46<br>14%                        | 69<br>13%    | 63<br>15%                              | 58<br>12%  | 133<br>16%      | 28<br>9%            | 116<br>10%  |
| Eastern                      | 110<br>9%   | 14<br>7%   | 46<br>10%  | 50<br>10%  | 45<br>10%                  | 19<br>10%    | 42<br>12%                        | 40<br>8%     | 42<br>10%                              | 50<br>10%  | 82<br>10%       | 28<br>8%            | 102<br>9%   |
| London                       | 147<br>13%  | 35<br>19%  | 62<br>13%  | 49<br>10%  | 60<br>13%                  | 30<br>16%    | 44<br>13%                        | 53<br>10%    | 58<br>14%                              | 44<br>9%   | 97<br>12%       | 50<br>15%           | 121<br>10%  |
| South West                   | 103<br>9%   | 9<br>5%    | 42<br>9%   | 52<br>10%  | 54<br>12%                  | 10<br>5%     | 33<br>10%                        | 44<br>9%     | 37<br>9%                               | 48<br>10%  | 70<br>8%        | 33<br>10%           | 102<br>9%   |
| West Midlands                | 104<br>9%   | 24<br>13%  | 47<br>10%  | 32<br>6%   | 39<br>9%                   | 17<br>9%     | 29<br>9%                         | 45<br>9%     | 39<br>9%                               | 44<br>9%   | 75<br>9%        | 29<br>9%            | 109<br>9%   |
| East Midlands                | 87<br>7%    | 14<br>7%   | 43<br>9%   | 29<br>6%   | 23<br>5%                   | 11<br>6%     | 22<br>6%                         | 44<br>9%     | 24<br>6%                               | 37<br>8%   | 50<br>6%        | 37<br>11%           | 71<br>6%    |
| Yorkshire and Humberside     | 101<br>9%   | 20<br>11%  | 30<br>6%   | 50<br>10%  | 31<br>7%                   | 28<br>15%    | 23<br>7%                         | 58<br>11%    | 31<br>7%                               | 51<br>11%  | 70<br>8%        | 31<br>9%            | 91<br>8%    |
| North West                   | 134<br>12%  | 34<br>18%  | 67<br>14%  | 33<br>7%   | 48<br>11%                  | 28<br>15%    | 47<br>14%                        | 62<br>12%    | 61<br>14%                              | 57<br>12%  | 102<br>12%      | 32<br>10%           | 122<br>11%  |
| North East                   | 51<br>4%    | 8<br>4%    | 22<br>5%   | 21<br>4%   | 11<br>3%                   | 7<br>4%      | 11<br>3%                         | 18<br>4%     | 18<br>4%                               | 21<br>4%   | 37<br>5%        | 14<br>4%            | 68<br>6%    |

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|                  | Quiz score  |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |              | Satisfaction with MPs in general |              | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |                     | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------|-------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|--------------|--|------------|-----------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                  | Scored 0-3  | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9 | Satisfied                  | Dissatisfied | Satisfied                        | Dissatisfied | Agree                                  | Disagree   | Use internet    | Do not use internet |             |             |
| <b>Total</b>     | <b>1156</b> | <b>187</b> | <b>470</b> | <b>499</b>                 | <b>444</b>   | <b>190</b>                       | <b>336</b>   | <b>515</b>                             | <b>427</b> | <b>474</b>      | <b>826</b>          | <b>330</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| Wales            | 58          | 7          | 26         | 25                         | 19           | 16                               | 11           | 38                                     | 17         | 27              | 36                  | 22          | 97          |
|                  | 5%          | 4%         | 5%         | 5%                         | 4%           | 8%                               | 3%           | 7%                                     | 4%         | 6%              | 4%                  | 7%          | 8%          |
| Scotland         | 102         | 13         | 37         | 51                         | 33           | 10                               | 30           | 43                                     | 37         | 38              | 75                  | 27          | 157         |
|                  | 9%          | 7%         | 8%         | 10%                        | 7%           | 5%                               | 9%           | 8%                                     | 9%         | 8%              | 9%                  | 8%          | 14%         |
| Unweighted total | 1156        | 210        | 463        | 483                        | 459          | 183                              | 349          | 502                                    | 438        | 450             | 762                 | 394         | 1156        |

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|                              | Total       | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |
|------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|
|                              |             | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |
| <b>Total</b>                 | <b>1156</b> | <b>175</b>            | <b>373</b>               | <b>396</b>              | <b>387</b>  | <b>116</b>            | <b>157</b>         | <b>159</b>            | <b>191</b>      | <b>66</b>             | <b>92</b>       | <b>277</b>             | <b>99</b>         | <b>1156</b> |
| <b>Working status</b>        |             |                       |                          |                         |             |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   |             |
| Full time                    | 520<br>45%  | 86<br>49%             | 166<br>45%               | 181<br>46%              | 173<br>45%  | 62<br>54%             | 76<br>49%          | 89<br>56%             | 68<br>35%       | 29<br>44%             | 40<br>43%       | 117<br>42%             | 39<br>39%         | 425<br>37%  |
| Part time                    | 109<br>9%   | 22<br>13%             | 45<br>12%                | 38<br>10%               | 26<br>7%    | 15<br>13%             | 17<br>11%          | 9<br>5%               | 13<br>7%        | 5<br>8%               | 9<br>9%         | 39<br>14%              | 3<br>3%           | 109<br>9%   |
| Not working                  | 527<br>46%  | 67<br>38%             | 162<br>44%               | 177<br>45%              | 188<br>49%  | 38<br>33%             | 63<br>40%          | 61<br>38%             | 111<br>58%      | 32<br>48%             | 44<br>47%       | 122<br>44%             | 57<br>58%         | 622<br>54%  |
| <b>Children in household</b> |             |                       |                          |                         |             |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   |             |
| Yes                          | 372<br>32%  | 47<br>27%             | 109<br>29%               | 134<br>34%              | 128<br>33%  | 34<br>29%             | 45<br>29%          | 31<br>19%             | 66<br>34%       | 10<br>15%             | 34<br>37%       | 111<br>40%             | 41<br>42%         | 360<br>31%  |
| No                           | 287<br>25%  | 51<br>29%             | 86<br>23%                | 110<br>28%              | 90<br>23%   | 18<br>16%             | 27<br>17%          | 46<br>29%             | 31<br>16%       | 21<br>32%             | 29<br>32%       | 86<br>31%              | 28<br>29%         | 234<br>20%  |
| <b>Newspaper readership</b>  |             |                       |                          |                         |             |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   |             |
| Quality                      | 253<br>22%  | 44<br>25%             | 89<br>24%                | 86<br>22%               | 77<br>20%   | 59<br>51%             | 70<br>45%          | 46<br>29%             | 24<br>13%       | 19<br>28%             | 9<br>9%         | 24<br>9%               | 2<br>2%           | 201<br>17%  |
| Popular                      | 423<br>37%  | 66<br>37%             | 118<br>32%               | 135<br>34%              | 169<br>44%  | 21<br>18%             | 35<br>23%          | 64<br>40%             | 80<br>42%       | 21<br>32%             | 51<br>55%       | 113<br>41%             | 37<br>38%         | 445<br>38%  |
| None                         | 522<br>45%  | 74<br>42%             | 182<br>49%               | 183<br>46%              | 157<br>41%  | 47<br>41%             | 62<br>40%          | 55<br>34%             | 91<br>47%       | 30<br>45%             | 33<br>36%       | 144<br>52%             | 61<br>62%         | 548<br>47%  |
| <b>Education</b>             |             |                       |                          |                         |             |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   |             |
| GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12       | 320<br>28%  | 42<br>24%             | 97<br>26%                | 107<br>27%              | 116<br>30%  | 12<br>10%             | 23<br>15%          | 40<br>25%             | 58<br>30%       | 12<br>19%             | 35<br>38%       | 99<br>36%              | 40<br>41%         | 318<br>28%  |
| A-Level or equiv.            | 213<br>18%  | 23<br>13%             | 61<br>16%                | 79<br>20%               | 73<br>19%   | 25<br>21%             | 32<br>20%          | 35<br>22%             | 13<br>7%        | 14<br>21%             | 16<br>18%       | 63<br>23%              | 16<br>16%         | 183<br>16%  |
| Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | 287<br>25%  | 65<br>37%             | 115<br>31%               | 103<br>26%              | 69<br>18%   | 65<br>56%             | 74<br>47%          | 40<br>25%             | 22<br>11%       | 25<br>38%             | 10<br>11%       | 42<br>15%              | 8<br>8%           | 258<br>22%  |
| No formal quals.             | 219<br>19%  | 22<br>13%             | 59<br>16%                | 73<br>18%               | 87<br>23%   | 2<br>2%               | 14<br>9%           | 24<br>15%             | 73<br>38%       | 10<br>15%             | 27<br>29%       | 47<br>17%              | 22<br>23%         | 274<br>24%  |
| <b>Ethnicity</b>             |             |                       |                          |                         |             |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   |             |
| White                        | 1054<br>91% | 161<br>92%            | 346<br>93%               | 357<br>90%              | 351<br>91%  | 115<br>99%            | 151<br>97%         | 153<br>96%            | 168<br>88%      | 65<br>99%             | 76<br>83%       | 238<br>86%             | 87<br>89%         | 1007<br>87% |
| BME                          | 100<br>9%   | 14<br>8%              | 27<br>7%                 | 39<br>10%               | 35<br>9%    | 1<br>1%               | 5<br>3%            | 6<br>4%               | 23<br>12%       | 1<br>1%               | 16<br>17%       | 38<br>14%              | 11<br>11%         | 146<br>13%  |
| <b>GO Region</b>             |             |                       |                          |                         |             |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   |             |
| South East                   | 162<br>14%  | 53<br>30%             | 57<br>15%                | 64<br>16%               | 41<br>11%   | 29<br>26%             | 34<br>22%          | 25<br>15%             | 15<br>8%        | 12<br>18%             | 9<br>10%        | 32<br>12%              | 6<br>6%           | 116<br>10%  |
| Eastern                      | 110<br>9%   | 12<br>7%              | 28<br>8%                 | 52<br>13%               | 29<br>7%    | 16<br>14%             | 12<br>8%           | 15<br>10%             | 13<br>7%        | 8<br>13%              | 6<br>7%         | 33<br>12%              | 6<br>6%           | 102<br>9%   |
| London                       | 147<br>13%  | 37<br>21%             | 64<br>17%                | 47<br>12%               | 36<br>9%    | 16<br>14%             | 10<br>7%           | 20<br>13%             | 33<br>17%       | 4<br>6%               | 18<br>20%       | 32<br>12%              | 12<br>13%         | 121<br>10%  |
| South West                   | 103<br>9%   | 16<br>9%              | 48<br>13%                | 38<br>10%               | 17<br>4%    | 12<br>10%             | 23<br>15%          | 16<br>10%             | 20<br>10%       | 7<br>10%              | 2<br>2%         | 19<br>7%               | 4<br>4%           | 102<br>9%   |
| West Midlands                | 104<br>9%   | 11<br>6%              | 48<br>13%                | 28<br>7%                | 28<br>7%    | 6<br>5%               | 14<br>9%           | 17<br>11%             | 17<br>9%        | 6<br>9%               | 5<br>5%         | 29<br>10%              | 10<br>10%         | 109<br>9%   |
| East Midlands                | 87<br>7%    | 10<br>6%              | 28<br>8%                 | 30<br>8%                | 29<br>7%    | 5<br>4%               | 10<br>6%           | 17<br>10%             | 18<br>10%       | 4<br>7%               | 6<br>6%         | 19<br>7%               | 7<br>7%           | 71<br>6%    |
| Yorkshire and Humberside     | 101<br>9%   | 9<br>5%               | 31<br>8%                 | 24<br>6%                | 45<br>12%   | 7<br>6%               | 7<br>5%            | 16<br>10%             | 11<br>6%        | 6<br>9%               | 10<br>11%       | 29<br>10%              | 15<br>15%         | 91<br>8%    |
| North West                   | 134<br>12%  | -<br>-                | 18<br>5%                 | 48<br>12%               | 68<br>18%   | 2<br>2%               | 17<br>11%          | 14<br>9%              | 17<br>9%        | 6<br>9%               | 25<br>27%       | 38<br>14%              | 15<br>16%         | 122<br>11%  |
| North East                   | 51<br>4%    | -<br>-                | 10<br>3%                 | 20<br>5%                | 21<br>5%    | 7<br>6%               | 7<br>5%            | 2<br>1%               | 9<br>5%         | 4<br>6%               | 1<br>1%         | 14<br>5%               | 6<br>6%           | 68<br>6%    |

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|                  | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |             |
|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                  | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |             |
| <b>Total</b>     | <b>1156</b>           | <b>175</b>               | <b>373</b>              | <b>396</b>  | <b>387</b>            | <b>116</b>         | <b>157</b>            | <b>159</b>      | <b>191</b>            | <b>66</b>       | <b>92</b>              | <b>277</b>        | <b>99</b>   | <b>1156</b> |
| Wales            | <b>58</b>             | 10                       | 14                      | 13          | 31                    | 5                  | 7                     | 9               | 13                    | 2               | 2                      | 12                | 7           | 97          |
|                  | <b>5%</b>             | 6%                       | 4%                      | 3%          | 8%                    | 4%                 | 5%                    | 6%              | 7%                    | 3%              | 3%                     | 4%                | 7%          | 8%          |
| Scotland         | <b>102</b>            | 18                       | 27                      | 33          | 42                    | 10                 | 16                    | 8               | 25                    | 7               | 7                      | 19                | 10          | 157         |
|                  | <b>9%</b>             | 10%                      | 7%                      | 8%          | 11%                   | 8%                 | 10%                   | 5%              | 13%                   | 10%             | 8%                     | 7%                | 10%         | 14%         |
| Unweighted total | <b>1156</b>           | 163                      | 351                     | 386         | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146             | 228                   | 62              | 93                     | 287               | 102         | 1156        |

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|                                  | Gender                   |            | Age        |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |            |                       | Unwtd total |                                |  |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|------------|-----------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|--|
|                                  | Total                    | Male       | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34      | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34      | 35-54      | 55+          | AB         | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands      | Single     | Married /Co-hab iting |             | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |  |
| <b>Total</b>                     | <b>1156</b>              | <b>561</b> | <b>595</b> | <b>173</b> | <b>183</b> | <b>216</b> | <b>186</b> | <b>169</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>111</b> | <b>356</b> | <b>402</b> | <b>398</b>   | <b>310</b> | <b>333</b> | <b>241</b> | <b>272</b> | <b>642</b> | <b>514</b> | <b>387</b> | <b>411</b> | <b>358</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>681</b>            | <b>169</b>  | <b>1156</b>                    |  |
| <b>Urbanity</b>                  |                          |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |              |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |                |            |                       |             |                                |  |
| Urban                            | <b>784</b><br><b>68%</b> | 388<br>69% | 397<br>67% | 128<br>74% | 143<br>78% | 149<br>69% | 124<br>67% | 105<br>62% | 71<br>61%  | 64<br>57%  | 271<br>76% | 273<br>68% | 240<br>60%   | 216<br>70% | 229<br>69% | 157<br>65% | 182<br>67% | 445<br>69% | 339<br>66% | 255<br>66% | 310<br>76% | 219<br>61%     | 234<br>77% | 445<br>65%            | 105<br>62%  | 773<br>67%                     |  |
| Rural                            | <b>136</b><br><b>12%</b> | 66<br>12%  | 70<br>12%  | 13<br>8%   | 17<br>9%   | 22<br>10%  | 27<br>15%  | 21<br>13%  | 19<br>16%  | 16<br>15%  | 31<br>9%   | 49<br>12%  | 57<br>14%    | 33<br>11%  | 39<br>12%  | 33<br>14%  | 32<br>12%  | 71<br>11%  | 65<br>13%  | 52<br>14%  | 41<br>10%  | 42<br>12%      | 24<br>8%   | 96<br>14%             | 16<br>10%   | 145<br>13%                     |  |
| Mixed                            | <b>235</b><br><b>20%</b> | 107<br>19% | 128<br>22% | 32<br>18%  | 23<br>13%  | 45<br>21%  | 35<br>19%  | 43<br>26%  | 27<br>23%  | 31<br>28%  | 55<br>15%  | 79<br>20%  | 101<br>25%   | 60<br>20%  | 65<br>20%  | 51<br>21%  | 59<br>22%  | 125<br>20% | 110<br>21% | 79<br>20%  | 59<br>14%  | 97<br>27%      | 48<br>16%  | 140<br>21%            | 48<br>28%   | 238<br>21%                     |  |
| <b>Interest in politics</b>      |                          |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |              |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |                |            |                       |             |                                |  |
| Interested                       | <b>611</b><br><b>53%</b> | 328<br>58% | 283<br>48% | 65<br>38%  | 81<br>44%  | 106<br>49% | 113<br>61% | 112<br>66% | 67<br>57%  | 66<br>59%  | 146<br>41% | 220<br>55% | 245<br>62%   | 226<br>73% | 187<br>56% | 96<br>40%  | 103<br>38% | 412<br>64% | 199<br>39% | 176<br>45% | 256<br>62% | 180<br>50%     | 139<br>45% | 382<br>56%            | 91<br>54%   | 580<br>50%                     |  |
| Not interested                   | <b>539</b><br><b>47%</b> | 232<br>41% | 307<br>52% | 107<br>62% | 100<br>55% | 107<br>49% | 72<br>39%  | 57<br>34%  | 50<br>43%  | 45<br>41%  | 207<br>58% | 178<br>44% | 153<br>38%   | 82<br>26%  | 145<br>44% | 143<br>59% | 168<br>62% | 227<br>35% | 311<br>61% | 210<br>54% | 152<br>37% | 176<br>49%     | 166<br>54% | 295<br>43%            | 78<br>46%   | 569<br>49%                     |  |
| <b>Likelihood to vote</b>        |                          |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |              |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |                |            |                       |             |                                |  |
| Certain to                       | <b>619</b><br><b>54%</b> | 286<br>51% | 332<br>56% | 47<br>27%  | 61<br>33%  | 99<br>46%  | 123<br>66% | 116<br>69% | 83<br>71%  | 89<br>80%  | 108<br>30% | 222<br>55% | 289<br>72%   | 212<br>69% | 189<br>57% | 111<br>46% | 107<br>39% | 401<br>62% | 218<br>42% | 182<br>47% | 239<br>58% | 198<br>55%     | 112<br>37% | 398<br>58%            | 109<br>64%  | 627<br>54%                     |  |
| Certain not to                   | <b>140</b><br><b>12%</b> | 70<br>13%  | 69<br>12%  | 36<br>21%  | 29<br>16%  | 35<br>16%  | 20<br>11%  | 10<br>6%   | 6<br>6%    | 4<br>3%    | 65<br>18%  | 55<br>14%  | 20<br>5%     | 14<br>5%   | 31<br>9%   | 40<br>16%  | 54<br>20%  | 46<br>7%   | 94<br>18%  | 67<br>17%  | 35<br>9%   | 38<br>11%      | 56<br>18%  | 70<br>10%             | 14<br>8%    | 143<br>12%                     |  |
| <b>Political activism</b>        |                          |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |              |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |                |            |                       |             |                                |  |
| Activist                         | <b>180</b><br><b>16%</b> | 85<br>15%  | 95<br>16%  | 16<br>9%   | 17<br>10%  | 38<br>18%  | 43<br>23%  | 39<br>23%  | 17<br>15%  | 9<br>8%    | 33<br>9%   | 81<br>20%  | 66<br>17%    | 87<br>28%  | 59<br>18%  | 19<br>8%   | 15<br>5%   | 146<br>23% | 34<br>7%   | 40<br>10%  | 92<br>22%  | 47<br>13%      | 31<br>10%  | 122<br>18%            | 27<br>16%   | 160<br>14%                     |  |
| Non-activist                     | <b>976</b><br><b>84%</b> | 476<br>85% | 500<br>84% | 157<br>91% | 166<br>90% | 178<br>82% | 143<br>77% | 130<br>77% | 100<br>85% | 102<br>92% | 323<br>91% | 321<br>80% | 332<br>83%   | 222<br>72% | 274<br>82% | 222<br>92% | 258<br>95% | 496<br>77% | 480<br>93% | 347<br>90% | 319<br>78% | 311<br>87%     | 275<br>90% | 559<br>82%            | 142<br>84%  | 996<br>86%                     |  |
| <b>Opinion on present system</b> |                          |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |              |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |                |            |                       |             |                                |  |
| Works well                       | <b>322</b><br><b>28%</b> | 178<br>32% | 143<br>24% | 63<br>36%  | 52<br>28%  | 60<br>28%  | 44<br>24%  | 44<br>26%  | 24<br>21%  | 35<br>31%  | 115<br>32% | 104<br>26% | 102<br>26%   | 83<br>27%  | 109<br>33% | 61<br>25%  | 69<br>25%  | 192<br>30% | 130<br>25% | 115<br>30% | 110<br>27% | 96<br>27%      | 97<br>32%  | 175<br>26%            | 49<br>29%   | 327<br>28%                     |  |
| Needs improvement                | <b>793</b><br><b>69%</b> | 367<br>65% | 427<br>72% | 101<br>58% | 117<br>64% | 150<br>70% | 140<br>75% | 122<br>72% | 91<br>78%  | 71<br>64%  | 218<br>61% | 290<br>72% | 285<br>72%   | 225<br>73% | 213<br>64% | 171<br>71% | 184<br>68% | 438<br>68% | 355<br>69% | 259<br>67% | 279<br>68% | 255<br>71%     | 191<br>62% | 489<br>72%            | 114<br>67%  | 783<br>68%                     |  |
| <b>Knew local MP</b>             |                          |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |              |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |                |            |                       |             |                                |  |
| Yes                              | <b>511</b><br><b>44%</b> | 232<br>41% | 279<br>47% | 41<br>24%  | 60<br>33%  | 93<br>43%  | 86<br>46%  | 88<br>52%  | 73<br>62%  | 71<br>64%  | 101<br>28% | 179<br>44% | 231<br>58%   | 160<br>52% | 147<br>44% | 100<br>42% | 104<br>38% | 307<br>48% | 204<br>40% | 149<br>39% | 223<br>54% | 139<br>39%     | 99<br>32%  | 320<br>47%            | 92<br>55%   | 495<br>43%                     |  |
| No                               | <b>645</b><br><b>56%</b> | 329<br>59% | 316<br>53% | 132<br>76% | 123<br>67% | 123<br>57% | 100<br>54% | 82<br>48%  | 44<br>38%  | 41<br>36%  | 256<br>72% | 223<br>56% | 167<br>42%   | 149<br>48% | 186<br>56% | 141<br>58% | 169<br>62% | 335<br>52% | 310<br>60% | 238<br>61% | 188<br>46% | 219<br>61%     | 207<br>68% | 361<br>53%            | 77<br>45%   | 661<br>57%                     |  |
| Unweighted total                 | <b>1156</b>              | <b>552</b> | <b>604</b> | <b>138</b> | <b>207</b> | <b>206</b> | <b>141</b> | <b>170</b> | <b>159</b> | <b>135</b> | <b>345</b> | <b>347</b> | <b>464</b>   | <b>224</b> | <b>353</b> | <b>257</b> | <b>322</b> | <b>577</b> | <b>579</b> | <b>438</b> | <b>339</b> | <b>379</b>     | <b>290</b> | <b>669</b>            | <b>197</b>  | <b>1156</b>                    |  |

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|                                  | Total       | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education                |                   |                                |                  | Ethnicity   |            | GO Region  |            |             |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           | Unwtd total |             |
|----------------------------------|-------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
|                                  |             | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/ CSE/ NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/ Masters /PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White       | BME        | South East | Eastern    | London      | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland    |
| <b>Total</b>                     | <b>1156</b> | <b>520</b>     | <b>109</b> | <b>527</b>  | <b>372</b>            | <b>287</b> | <b>253</b>           | <b>423</b> | <b>522</b> | <b>320</b>               | <b>213</b>        | <b>287</b>                     | <b>219</b>       | <b>1054</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>162</b> | <b>110</b> | <b>147</b>  | <b>103</b> | <b>104</b>    | <b>87</b>     | <b>101</b>               | <b>134</b> | <b>51</b>  | <b>58</b> | <b>102</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| <b>Urbanity</b>                  |             |                |            |             |                       |            |                      |            |            |                          |                   |                                |                  |             |            |            |            |             |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           |             |             |
| Urban                            | 784<br>68%  | 360<br>69%     | 76<br>70%  | 348<br>66%  | 272<br>73%            | 199<br>69% | 185<br>73%           | 291<br>69% | 340<br>65% | 201<br>63%               | 155<br>73%        | 218<br>76%                     | 141<br>64%       | 687<br>65%  | 95<br>95%  | 109<br>67% | 65<br>59%  | 147<br>100% | 55<br>54%  | 69<br>67%     | 59<br>68%     | 75<br>74%                | 95<br>71%  | 27<br>54%  | 25<br>44% | 58<br>57%   | 773<br>67%  |
| Rural                            | 136<br>12%  | 56<br>11%      | 12<br>11%  | 69<br>13%   | 37<br>10%             | 32<br>11%  | 26<br>10%            | 48<br>11%  | 70<br>13%  | 39<br>12%                | 23<br>11%         | 26<br>9%                       | 39<br>18%        | 136<br>13%  | 1<br>1%    | 13<br>8%   | 15<br>14%  | -<br>-      | 29<br>28%  | 5<br>5%       | 13<br>15%     | 11<br>11%                | 8<br>6%    | 9<br>17%   | 9<br>16%  | 25<br>25%   | 145<br>13%  |
| Mixed                            | 235<br>20%  | 104<br>20%     | 21<br>20%  | 110<br>21%  | 63<br>17%             | 56<br>19%  | 42<br>17%            | 85<br>20%  | 112<br>22% | 80<br>25%                | 35<br>17%         | 43<br>15%                      | 40<br>18%        | 231<br>22%  | 4<br>4%    | 40<br>25%  | 29<br>27%  | -<br>-      | 19<br>19%  | 30<br>29%     | 15<br>17%     | 15<br>15%                | 31<br>23%  | 15<br>29%  | 23<br>39% | 18<br>18%   | 238<br>21%  |
| <b>Interest in politics</b>      |             |                |            |             |                       |            |                      |            |            |                          |                   |                                |                  |             |            |            |            |             |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           |             |             |
| Interested                       | 611<br>53%  | 293<br>56%     | 56<br>51%  | 262<br>50%  | 167<br>45%            | 139<br>49% | 214<br>85%           | 195<br>46% | 240<br>46% | 112<br>35%               | 123<br>57%        | 216<br>75%                     | 90<br>41%        | 571<br>54%  | 39<br>39%  | 114<br>71% | 61<br>55%  | 78<br>53%   | 63<br>62%  | 53<br>51%     | 39<br>45%     | 37<br>37%                | 62<br>46%  | 25<br>50%  | 27<br>46% | 51<br>50%   | 580<br>50%  |
| Not interested                   | 539<br>47%  | 223<br>43%     | 53<br>49%  | 263<br>50%  | 202<br>54%            | 145<br>51% | 37<br>15%            | 226<br>54% | 277<br>53% | 206<br>65%               | 91<br>43%         | 68<br>24%                      | 128<br>58%       | 479<br>45%  | 59<br>59%  | 47<br>29%  | 47<br>43%  | 66<br>45%   | 39<br>38%  | 50<br>48%     | 47<br>55%     | 64<br>63%                | 71<br>53%  | 25<br>50%  | 31<br>54% | 50<br>50%   | 569<br>49%  |
| <b>Likelihood to vote</b>        |             |                |            |             |                       |            |                      |            |            |                          |                   |                                |                  |             |            |            |            |             |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           |             |             |
| Certain to                       | 619<br>54%  | 269<br>52%     | 49<br>45%  | 300<br>57%  | 168<br>45%            | 126<br>44% | 190<br>75%           | 195<br>46% | 262<br>50% | 135<br>42%               | 99<br>46%         | 189<br>66%                     | 127<br>58%       | 580<br>55%  | 38<br>38%  | 97<br>60%  | 66<br>60%  | 69<br>47%   | 73<br>71%  | 52<br>50%     | 48<br>56%     | 48<br>48%                | 56<br>42%  | 27<br>54%  | 32<br>56% | 50<br>49%   | 627<br>54%  |
| Certain not to                   | 140<br>12%  | 56<br>11%      | 10<br>9%   | 74<br>14%   | 64<br>17%             | 39<br>14%  | 8<br>3%              | 52<br>12%  | 83<br>16%  | 61<br>19%                | 26<br>12%         | 14<br>5%                       | 21<br>9%         | 129<br>12%  | 10<br>10%  | 15<br>9%   | 11<br>10%  | 14<br>9%    | 7<br>6%    | 13<br>13%     | 4<br>5%       | 17<br>17%                | 25<br>19%  | 8<br>15%   | 9<br>15%  | 17<br>16%   | 143<br>12%  |
| <b>Political activism</b>        |             |                |            |             |                       |            |                      |            |            |                          |                   |                                |                  |             |            |            |            |             |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           |             |             |
| Activist                         | 180<br>16%  | 93<br>18%      | 21<br>19%  | 66<br>12%   | 52<br>14%             | 31<br>11%  | 77<br>30%            | 36<br>9%   | 81<br>16%  | 24<br>8%                 | 28<br>13%         | 98<br>34%                      | 14<br>7%         | 175<br>17%  | 4<br>4%    | 45<br>28%  | 16<br>15%  | 21<br>14%   | 27<br>26%  | 10<br>10%     | 14<br>16%     | 11<br>11%                | 8<br>6%    | 8<br>16%   | 6<br>11%  | 13<br>13%   | 160<br>14%  |
| Non-activist                     | 976<br>84%  | 426<br>82%     | 88<br>81%  | 462<br>88%  | 319<br>86%            | 255<br>89% | 176<br>70%           | 387<br>91% | 441<br>84% | 296<br>92%               | 186<br>87%        | 189<br>66%                     | 205<br>93%       | 879<br>83%  | 96<br>96%  | 117<br>72% | 93<br>85%  | 126<br>86%  | 76<br>74%  | 94<br>90%     | 72<br>84%     | 89<br>89%                | 126<br>94% | 43<br>84%  | 51<br>89% | 89<br>87%   | 996<br>86%  |
| <b>Opinion on present system</b> |             |                |            |             |                       |            |                      |            |            |                          |                   |                                |                  |             |            |            |            |             |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           |             |             |
| Works well                       | 322<br>28%  | 132<br>25%     | 33<br>31%  | 156<br>30%  | 92<br>25%             | 83<br>29%  | 78<br>31%            | 108<br>26% | 141<br>27% | 69<br>22%                | 72<br>34%         | 95<br>33%                      | 57<br>26%        | 279<br>26%  | 42<br>42%  | 41<br>25%  | 30<br>27%  | 44<br>30%   | 25<br>25%  | 23<br>22%     | 34<br>39%     | 26<br>26%                | 45<br>33%  | 12<br>23%  | 10<br>17% | 33<br>32%   | 327<br>28%  |
| Needs improvement                | 793<br>69%  | 371<br>71%     | 75<br>68%  | 347<br>66%  | 268<br>72%            | 184<br>64% | 172<br>68%           | 298<br>71% | 359<br>69% | 240<br>75%               | 137<br>64%        | 188<br>66%                     | 146<br>67%       | 742<br>70%  | 51<br>51%  | 119<br>74% | 80<br>73%  | 83<br>57%   | 77<br>75%  | 80<br>77%     | 49<br>56%     | 72<br>71%                | 84<br>62%  | 38<br>75%  | 46<br>80% | 65<br>64%   | 783<br>68%  |
| <b>Knew local MP</b>             |             |                |            |             |                       |            |                      |            |            |                          |                   |                                |                  |             |            |            |            |             |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           |             |             |
| Yes                              | 511<br>44%  | 225<br>43%     | 41<br>37%  | 245<br>46%  | 145<br>39%            | 115<br>40% | 148<br>59%           | 190<br>45% | 192<br>37% | 130<br>41%               | 90<br>42%         | 137<br>48%                     | 102<br>47%       | 484<br>46%  | 27<br>27%  | 86<br>53%  | 48<br>44%  | 78<br>54%   | 59<br>57%  | 29<br>28%     | 39<br>45%     | 42<br>42%                | 59<br>44%  | 11<br>21%  | 22<br>38% | 38<br>37%   | 495<br>43%  |
| No                               | 645<br>56%  | 295<br>57%     | 68<br>63%  | 282<br>54%  | 227<br>61%            | 172<br>60% | 105<br>41%           | 233<br>55% | 330<br>63% | 190<br>59%               | 123<br>58%        | 150<br>52%                     | 117<br>53%       | 571<br>54%  | 73<br>73%  | 76<br>47%  | 61<br>56%  | 68<br>46%   | 44<br>43%  | 74<br>72%     | 47<br>55%     | 59<br>58%                | 75<br>56%  | 40<br>79%  | 36<br>62% | 64<br>63%   | 661<br>57%  |
| Unweighted total                 | 1156        | 425            | 109        | 622         | 360                   | 234        | 201                  | 445        | 548        | 318                      | 183               | 258                            | 274              | 1007        | 146        | 116        | 102        | 121         | 102        | 109           | 71            | 91                       | 122        | 68         | 97        | 157         | 1156        |

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|                                  | Total       | Urbanity    |             |             | Interest in politics |                | Likelihood to vote |                | Political activism |              | Opinion on present system |                   | Knew local MP |             | Unwtd total |
|----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                  |             | Urban       | Rural       | Mixed       | Interested           | Not interested | Certain to         | Certain not to | Activist           | Non-activist | Works well                | Needs improvement | Yes           | No          |             |
| <b>Total</b>                     | <b>1156</b> | <b>784</b>  | <b>136</b>  | <b>235</b>  | <b>611</b>           | <b>539</b>     | <b>619</b>         | <b>140</b>     | <b>180</b>         | <b>976</b>   | <b>322</b>                | <b>793</b>        | <b>511</b>    | <b>645</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| <b>Urbanity</b>                  |             |             |             |             |                      |                |                    |                |                    |              |                           |                   |               |             |             |
| Urban                            | 784<br>68%  | 784<br>100% | -           | -           | 409<br>67%           | 369<br>68%     | 410<br>66%         | 92<br>66%      | 123<br>68%         | 661<br>68%   | 236<br>74%                | 510<br>64%        | 352<br>69%    | 432<br>67%  | 773<br>67%  |
| Rural                            | 136<br>12%  | -           | 136<br>100% | -           | 83<br>14%            | 54<br>10%      | 79<br>13%          | 17<br>12%      | 25<br>14%          | 112<br>11%   | 30<br>9%                  | 105<br>13%        | 55<br>11%     | 81<br>13%   | 145<br>13%  |
| Mixed                            | 235<br>20%  | -           | -           | 235<br>100% | 119<br>19%           | 116<br>22%     | 130<br>21%         | 31<br>22%      | 32<br>18%          | 203<br>21%   | 55<br>17%                 | 179<br>23%        | 104<br>20%    | 132<br>20%  | 238<br>21%  |
| <b>Interest in politics</b>      |             |             |             |             |                      |                |                    |                |                    |              |                           |                   |               |             |             |
| Interested                       | 611<br>53%  | 409<br>52%  | 83<br>61%   | 119<br>51%  | 611<br>100%          | -              | 424<br>69%         | 34<br>25%      | 156<br>87%         | 455<br>47%   | 186<br>58%                | 415<br>52%        | 319<br>62%    | 292<br>45%  | 580<br>50%  |
| Not interested                   | 539<br>47%  | 369<br>47%  | 54<br>39%   | 116<br>49%  | -                    | 539<br>100%    | 193<br>31%         | 104<br>75%     | 24<br>13%          | 515<br>53%   | 134<br>42%                | 374<br>47%        | 190<br>37%    | 349<br>54%  | 569<br>49%  |
| <b>Likelihood to vote</b>        |             |             |             |             |                      |                |                    |                |                    |              |                           |                   |               |             |             |
| Certain to                       | 619<br>54%  | 410<br>52%  | 79<br>58%   | 130<br>55%  | 424<br>69%           | 193<br>36%     | 619<br>100%        | -              | 139<br>78%         | 479<br>49%   | 173<br>54%                | 431<br>54%        | 332<br>65%    | 287<br>44%  | 627<br>54%  |
| Certain not to                   | 140<br>12%  | 92<br>12%   | 17<br>13%   | 31<br>13%   | 34<br>6%             | 104<br>19%     | -                  | 140<br>100%    | 8<br>5%            | 132<br>13%   | 25<br>8%                  | 105<br>13%        | 25<br>5%      | 115<br>18%  | 143<br>12%  |
| <b>Political activism</b>        |             |             |             |             |                      |                |                    |                |                    |              |                           |                   |               |             |             |
| Activist                         | 180<br>16%  | 123<br>16%  | 25<br>18%   | 32<br>14%   | 156<br>26%           | 24<br>4%       | 139<br>23%         | 8<br>6%        | 180<br>100%        | -            | 52<br>16%                 | 128<br>16%        | 109<br>21%    | 70<br>11%   | 160<br>14%  |
| Non-activist                     | 976<br>84%  | 661<br>84%  | 112<br>82%  | 203<br>86%  | 455<br>74%           | 515<br>96%     | 479<br>77%         | 132<br>94%     | -                  | 976<br>100%  | 270<br>84%                | 665<br>84%        | 402<br>79%    | 575<br>89%  | 996<br>86%  |
| <b>Opinion on present system</b> |             |             |             |             |                      |                |                    |                |                    |              |                           |                   |               |             |             |
| Works well                       | 322<br>28%  | 236<br>30%  | 30<br>22%   | 55<br>24%   | 186<br>30%           | 134<br>25%     | 173<br>28%         | 25<br>18%      | 52<br>29%          | 270<br>28%   | 322<br>100%               | -                 | 145<br>28%    | 177<br>27%  | 327<br>28%  |
| Needs improvement                | 793<br>69%  | 510<br>65%  | 105<br>77%  | 179<br>76%  | 415<br>68%           | 374<br>69%     | 431<br>70%         | 105<br>75%     | 128<br>71%         | 665<br>68%   | -                         | 793<br>100%       | 352<br>69%    | 442<br>68%  | 783<br>68%  |
| <b>Knew local MP</b>             |             |             |             |             |                      |                |                    |                |                    |              |                           |                   |               |             |             |
| Yes                              | 511<br>44%  | 352<br>45%  | 55<br>41%   | 104<br>44%  | 319<br>52%           | 190<br>35%     | 332<br>54%         | 25<br>18%      | 109<br>61%         | 402<br>41%   | 145<br>45%                | 352<br>44%        | 511<br>100%   | -           | 495<br>43%  |
| No                               | 645<br>56%  | 432<br>55%  | 81<br>59%   | 132<br>56%  | 292<br>48%           | 349<br>65%     | 287<br>46%         | 115<br>82%     | 70<br>39%          | 575<br>59%   | 177<br>55%                | 442<br>56%        | -             | 645<br>100% | 661<br>57%  |
| Unweighted total                 | 1156        | 773         | 145         | 238         | 580                  | 569            | 627                | 143            | 160                | 996          | 327                       | 783               | 495           | 661         | 1156        |

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|                                  | Total       | Quiz score |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |              | Satisfaction with MPs in general |              | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |                     | Unwtd total |
|----------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|--------------|--|------------|-----------------|---------------------|-------------|
|                                  |             | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9 | Satisfied                  | Dissatisfied | Satisfied                        | Dissatisfied | Agree                                  | Disagree   | Use internet    | Do not use internet |             |
| <b>Total</b>                     | <b>1156</b> | <b>187</b> | <b>470</b> | <b>499</b> | <b>444</b>                 | <b>190</b>   | <b>336</b>                       | <b>515</b>   | <b>427</b>                             | <b>474</b> | <b>826</b>      | <b>330</b>          | <b>1156</b> |
| <b>Urbanity</b>                  |             |            |            |            |                            |              |                                  |              |  |            |                 |                     |             |
| Urban                            | 784<br>68%  | 145<br>78% | 305<br>65% | 334<br>67% | 301<br>68%                 | 131<br>69%   | 238<br>71%                       | 324<br>63%   | 285<br>67%                             | 320<br>68% | 569<br>69%      | 215<br>65%          | 773<br>67%  |
| Rural                            | 136<br>12%  | 12<br>7%   | 53<br>11%  | 71<br>14%  | 56<br>13%                  | 16<br>8%     | 33<br>10%                        | 67<br>13%    | 53<br>13%                              | 60<br>13%  | 87<br>11%       | 49<br>15%           | 145<br>13%  |
| Mixed                            | 235<br>20%  | 30<br>16%  | 111<br>24% | 94<br>19%  | 86<br>19%                  | 44<br>23%    | 65<br>19%                        | 124<br>24%   | 88<br>21%                              | 94<br>20%  | 170<br>21%      | 65<br>20%           | 238<br>21%  |
| <b>Interest in politics</b>      |             |            |            |            |                            |              |                                  |              |  |            |                 |                     |             |
| Interested                       | 611<br>53%  | 40<br>21%  | 214<br>46% | 357<br>72% | 278<br>63%                 | 96<br>51%    | 219<br>65%                       | 247<br>48%   | 272<br>64%                             | 213<br>45% | 471<br>57%      | 140<br>42%          | 580<br>50%  |
| Not interested                   | 539<br>47%  | 143<br>76% | 254<br>54% | 141<br>28% | 164<br>37%                 | 91<br>48%    | 113<br>34%                       | 266<br>52%   | 151<br>35%                             | 259<br>55% | 352<br>43%      | 187<br>57%          | 569<br>49%  |
| <b>Likelihood to vote</b>        |             |            |            |            |                            |              |                                  |              |  |            |                 |                     |             |
| Certain to                       | 619<br>54%  | 50<br>27%  | 231<br>49% | 337<br>68% | 291<br>66%                 | 106<br>56%   | 212<br>63%                       | 275<br>53%   | 276<br>65%                             | 226<br>48% | 426<br>52%      | 192<br>58%          | 627<br>54%  |
| Certain not to                   | 140<br>12%  | 41<br>22%  | 67<br>14%  | 32<br>6%   | 25<br>6%                   | 29<br>15%    | 19<br>6%                         | 74<br>14%    | 37<br>9%                               | 75<br>16%  | 101<br>12%      | 38<br>12%           | 143<br>12%  |
| <b>Political activism</b>        |             |            |            |            |                            |              |                                  |              |  |            |                 |                     |             |
| Activist                         | 180<br>16%  | 3<br>1%    | 33<br>7%   | 144<br>29% | 89<br>20%                  | 40<br>21%    | 62<br>18%                        | 69<br>13%    | 85<br>20%                              | 60<br>13%  | 160<br>19%      | 20<br>6%            | 160<br>14%  |
| Non-activist                     | 976<br>84%  | 185<br>99% | 437<br>93% | 355<br>71% | 355<br>80%                 | 150<br>79%   | 274<br>82%                       | 446<br>87%   | 342<br>80%                             | 414<br>87% | 666<br>81%      | 310<br>94%          | 996<br>86%  |
| <b>Opinion on present system</b> |             |            |            |            |                            |              |                                  |              |  |            |                 |                     |             |
| Works well                       | 322<br>28%  | 57<br>30%  | 125<br>27% | 139<br>28% | 159<br>36%                 | 24<br>13%    | 150<br>45%                       | 79<br>15%    | 147<br>34%                             | 90<br>19%  | 233<br>28%      | 89<br>27%           | 327<br>28%  |
| Needs improvement                | 793<br>69%  | 106<br>56% | 330<br>70% | 357<br>72% | 276<br>62%                 | 159<br>84%   | 179<br>53%                       | 427<br>83%   | 274<br>64%                             | 375<br>79% | 571<br>69%      | 222<br>67%          | 783<br>68%  |
| <b>Knew local MP</b>             |             |            |            |            |                            |              |                                  |              |  |            |                 |                     |             |
| Yes                              | 511<br>44%  | 53<br>28%  | 185<br>39% | 273<br>55% | 298<br>67%                 | 82<br>43%    | 174<br>52%                       | 238<br>46%   | 199<br>47%                             | 205<br>43% | 346<br>42%      | 165<br>50%          | 495<br>43%  |
| No                               | 645<br>56%  | 135<br>72% | 284<br>61% | 226<br>45% | 146<br>33%                 | 108<br>57%   | 162<br>48%                       | 277<br>54%   | 228<br>53%                             | 269<br>57% | 480<br>58%      | 165<br>50%          | 661<br>57%  |
| Unweighted total                 | 1156        | 210        | 463        | 483        | 459                        | 183          | 349                              | 502          | 438                                    | 450        | 762             | 394                 | 1156        |

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|                                  | Total       | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |
|----------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|
|                                  |             | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |
| <b>Total</b>                     | <b>1156</b> | <b>175</b>            | <b>373</b>               | <b>396</b>              | <b>387</b>  | <b>116</b>            | <b>157</b>         | <b>159</b>            | <b>191</b>      | <b>66</b>             | <b>92</b>       | <b>277</b>             | <b>99</b>         | <b>1156</b> |
| <b>Urbanity</b>                  |             |                       |                          |                         |             |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   |             |
| Urban                            | 784<br>68%  | 127<br>72%            | 268<br>72%               | 283<br>71%              | 234<br>60%  | 79<br>68%             | 109<br>69%         | 99<br>62%             | 121<br>63%      | 49<br>75%             | 69<br>75%       | 188<br>68%             | 70<br>71%         | 773<br>67%  |
| Rural                            | 136<br>12%  | 24<br>14%             | 58<br>16%                | 32<br>8%                | 46<br>12%   | 15<br>13%             | 17<br>11%          | 26<br>16%             | 23<br>12%       | 7<br>10%              | 7<br>8%         | 32<br>11%              | 10<br>10%         | 145<br>13%  |
| Mixed                            | 235<br>20%  | 24<br>14%             | 47<br>13%                | 81<br>20%               | 108<br>28%  | 22<br>19%             | 31<br>20%          | 34<br>21%             | 47<br>25%       | 10<br>15%             | 15<br>16%       | 58<br>21%              | 19<br>19%         | 238<br>21%  |
| <b>Interest in politics</b>      |             |                       |                          |                         |             |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   |             |
| Interested                       | 611<br>53%  | 105<br>60%            | 225<br>60%               | 202<br>51%              | 184<br>48%  | 99<br>86%             | 133<br>85%         | 117<br>73%            | 79<br>41%       | 39<br>59%             | 42<br>46%       | 98<br>35%              | 4<br>4%           | 580<br>50%  |
| Not interested                   | 539<br>47%  | 68<br>39%             | 147<br>39%               | 191<br>48%              | 201<br>52%  | 16<br>14%             | 24<br>15%          | 42<br>27%             | 112<br>59%      | 26<br>40%             | 50<br>54%       | 178<br>64%             | 90<br>92%         | 569<br>49%  |
| <b>Likelihood to vote</b>        |             |                       |                          |                         |             |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   |             |
| Certain to                       | 619<br>54%  | 108<br>62%            | 233<br>62%               | 204<br>51%              | 182<br>47%  | 87<br>76%             | 128<br>82%         | 122<br>77%            | 129<br>68%      | 36<br>55%             | 32<br>35%       | 68<br>24%              | 16<br>16%         | 627<br>54%  |
| Certain not to                   | 140<br>12%  | 12<br>7%              | 29<br>8%                 | 51<br>13%               | 59<br>15%   | 5<br>5%               | 2<br>1%            | 2<br>1%               | 9<br>5%         | *                     | 11<br>12%       | 55<br>20%              | 55<br>55%         | 143<br>12%  |
| <b>Political activism</b>        |             |                       |                          |                         |             |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   |             |
| Activist                         | 180<br>16%  | 37<br>21%             | 72<br>19%                | 73<br>19%               | 35<br>9%    | 84<br>73%             | 59<br>38%          | 11<br>7%              | 10<br>5%        | 2<br>3%               | *               | 13<br>5%               | -                 | 160<br>14%  |
| Non-activist                     | 976<br>84%  | 138<br>79%            | 301<br>81%               | 323<br>81%              | 352<br>91%  | 31<br>27%             | 98<br>62%          | 148<br>93%            | 181<br>95%      | 64<br>97%             | 91<br>100%      | 264<br>95%             | 99<br>100%        | 996<br>86%  |
| <b>Opinion on present system</b> |             |                       |                          |                         |             |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   |             |
| Works well                       | 322<br>28%  | 60<br>34%             | 113<br>30%               | 103<br>26%              | 105<br>27%  | 22<br>19%             | 53<br>34%          | 34<br>21%             | 51<br>27%       | 30<br>46%             | 35<br>38%       | 82<br>30%              | 14<br>15%         | 327<br>28%  |
| Needs improvement                | 793<br>69%  | 109<br>62%            | 253<br>68%               | 277<br>70%              | 264<br>68%  | 94<br>81%             | 103<br>66%         | 122<br>77%            | 125<br>66%      | 36<br>54%             | 54<br>59%       | 183<br>66%             | 75<br>76%         | 783<br>68%  |
| <b>Knew local MP</b>             |             |                       |                          |                         |             |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   |             |
| Yes                              | 511<br>44%  | 76<br>43%             | 181<br>49%               | 152<br>38%              | 178<br>46%  | 83<br>72%             | 90<br>57%          | 81<br>51%             | 86<br>45%       | 36<br>54%             | 87<br>94%       | 37<br>13%              | 11<br>11%         | 495<br>43%  |
| No                               | 645<br>56%  | 99<br>57%             | 192<br>51%               | 244<br>62%              | 209<br>54%  | 32<br>28%             | 67<br>43%          | 78<br>49%             | 105<br>55%      | 30<br>46%             | 5<br>6%         | 240<br>87%             | 88<br>89%         | 661<br>57%  |
| Unweighted total                 | 1156        | 163                   | 351                      | 386                     | 419         | 96                    | 142                | 146                   | 228             | 62                    | 93              | 287                    | 102               | 1156        |

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|   | Gender      |            | Age        |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |            |                       | Unwtd total |                                |  |
|---|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|------------|-----------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|--|
|   | Total       | Male       | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34      | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34      | 35-54      | 55+          | AB         | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands      | Single     | Married /Co-hab iting |             | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |  |
| <b>Total</b>                                  | <b>1156</b> | <b>561</b> | <b>595</b> | <b>173</b> | <b>183</b> | <b>216</b> | <b>186</b> | <b>169</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>111</b> | <b>356</b> | <b>402</b> | <b>398</b>   | <b>310</b> | <b>333</b> | <b>241</b> | <b>272</b> | <b>642</b> | <b>514</b> | <b>387</b> | <b>411</b> | <b>358</b>     | <b>306</b> | <b>681</b>            | <b>169</b>  | <b>1156</b>                    |  |
| <b>Quiz score</b>                             |             |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |              |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |                |            |                       |             |                                |  |
| Scored 0-3                                    | 187<br>16%  | 75<br>13%  | 113<br>19% | 41<br>24%  | 44<br>24%  | 44<br>20%  | 20<br>11%  | 12<br>7%   | 9<br>7%    | 18<br>16%  | 85<br>24%  | 63<br>16%  | 39<br>10%    | 14<br>4%   | 49<br>15%  | 38<br>16%  | 86<br>32%  | 63<br>10%  | 124<br>24% | 75<br>19%  | 54<br>13%  | 58<br>16%      | 75<br>25%  | 83<br>12%             | 29<br>17%   | 210<br>18%                     |  |
| Scored 4-6                                    | 470<br>41%  | 220<br>39% | 250<br>42% | 96<br>56%  | 83<br>45%  | 76<br>35%  | 52<br>28%  | 69<br>41%  | 46<br>39%  | 47<br>42%  | 179<br>50% | 128<br>32% | 162<br>41%   | 94<br>30%  | 124<br>37% | 123<br>51% | 129<br>47% | 218<br>34% | 252<br>49% | 157<br>41% | 150<br>37% | 162<br>45%     | 147<br>48% | 249<br>37%            | 73<br>43%   | 463<br>40%                     |  |
| Scored 7-9                                    | 499<br>43%  | 267<br>48% | 232<br>39% | 36<br>21%  | 57<br>31%  | 96<br>44%  | 114<br>61% | 89<br>52%  | 62<br>53%  | 46<br>41%  | 93<br>26%  | 210<br>52% | 197<br>49%   | 202<br>65% | 159<br>48% | 81<br>33%  | 57<br>21%  | 361<br>56% | 138<br>27% | 155<br>40% | 207<br>50% | 137<br>38%     | 84<br>27%  | 349<br>51%            | 67<br>39%   | 483<br>42%                     |  |
| <b>Satisfaction with local MP</b>             |             |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |              |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |                |            |                       |             |                                |  |
| Satisfied                                     | 444<br>38%  | 202<br>36% | 242<br>41% | 49<br>28%  | 52<br>28%  | 71<br>33%  | 72<br>39%  | 72<br>43%  | 58<br>50%  | 69<br>62%  | 101<br>28% | 143<br>36% | 200<br>50%   | 130<br>42% | 129<br>39% | 89<br>37%  | 95<br>35%  | 260<br>40% | 184<br>36% | 124<br>32% | 194<br>47% | 125<br>35%     | 94<br>31%  | 267<br>39%            | 83<br>49%   | 459<br>40%                     |  |
| Dissatisfied                                  | 190<br>16%  | 111<br>20% | 79<br>13%  | 20<br>12%  | 30<br>16%  | 37<br>17%  | 37<br>20%  | 28<br>16%  | 26<br>23%  | 11<br>10%  | 50<br>14%  | 75<br>19%  | 65<br>16%    | 43<br>14%  | 51<br>15%  | 40<br>17%  | 55<br>20%  | 94<br>15%  | 95<br>19%  | 74<br>19%  | 53<br>13%  | 63<br>18%      | 53<br>17%  | 116<br>17%            | 20<br>12%   | 183<br>16%                     |  |
| <b>Satisfaction with MPs in general</b>       |             |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |              |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |                |            |                       |             |                                |  |
| Satisfied                                     | 336<br>29%  | 173<br>31% | 163<br>27% | 48<br>28%  | 49<br>27%  | 60<br>28%  | 49<br>26%  | 48<br>28%  | 40<br>34%  | 42<br>38%  | 98<br>27%  | 108<br>27% | 130<br>33%   | 107<br>35% | 100<br>30% | 56<br>23%  | 73<br>27%  | 207<br>32% | 129<br>25% | 110<br>28% | 123<br>30% | 103<br>29%     | 92<br>30%  | 188<br>28%            | 56<br>33%   | 349<br>30%                     |  |
| Dissatisfied                                  | 515<br>45%  | 260<br>46% | 255<br>43% | 56<br>32%  | 69<br>37%  | 108<br>50% | 95<br>51%  | 83<br>49%  | 53<br>45%  | 51<br>46%  | 125<br>35% | 203<br>51% | 187<br>47%   | 128<br>41% | 150<br>45% | 117<br>48% | 120<br>44% | 278<br>43% | 237<br>46% | 181<br>47% | 166<br>40% | 168<br>47%     | 112<br>36% | 334<br>49%            | 69<br>41%   | 502<br>43%                     |  |
| <b>Feel can change the way the UK is run?</b> |             |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |              |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |                |            |                       |             |                                |  |
| Agree   | 427<br>37%  | 221<br>39% | 206<br>35% | 62<br>36%  | 72<br>39%  | 72<br>33%  | 59<br>32%  | 64<br>38%  | 49<br>42%  | 49<br>44%  | 134<br>38% | 131<br>33% | 162<br>41%   | 120<br>39% | 131<br>39% | 86<br>36%  | 90<br>33%  | 251<br>39% | 176<br>34% | 147<br>38% | 158<br>38% | 123<br>34%     | 115<br>38% | 237<br>35%            | 75<br>44%   | 438<br>38%                     |  |
| Disagree                                      | 474<br>41%  | 229<br>41% | 245<br>41% | 64<br>37%  | 71<br>38%  | 102<br>47% | 81<br>44%  | 76<br>45%  | 47<br>40%  | 33<br>30%  | 135<br>38% | 183<br>46% | 156<br>39%   | 126<br>41% | 135<br>40% | 101<br>42% | 113<br>41% | 261<br>41% | 213<br>41% | 167<br>43% | 150<br>36% | 158<br>44%     | 123<br>40% | 295<br>43%            | 56<br>33%   | 450<br>39%                     |  |
| <b>Use of internet</b>                        |             |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |              |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |                |            |                       |             |                                |  |
| Use internet                                  | 826<br>71%  | 423<br>75% | 403<br>68% | 145<br>84% | 160<br>87% | 178<br>82% | 150<br>81% | 122<br>72% | 54<br>46%  | 18<br>16%  | 306<br>86% | 327<br>82% | 193<br>49%   | 244<br>79% | 266<br>80% | 160<br>66% | 156<br>57% | 510<br>79% | 316<br>62% | 284<br>73% | 300<br>73% | 242<br>68%     | 235<br>77% | 521<br>76%            | 70<br>42%   | 762<br>66%                     |  |
| Do not use internet                           | 330<br>29%  | 138<br>25% | 192<br>32% | 28<br>16%  | 23<br>13%  | 38<br>18%  | 36<br>19%  | 48<br>28%  | 63<br>54%  | 94<br>84%  | 51<br>14%  | 74<br>18%  | 205<br>51%   | 66<br>21%  | 67<br>20%  | 81<br>34%  | 116<br>43% | 132<br>21% | 197<br>38% | 103<br>27% | 111<br>27% | 116<br>32%     | 71<br>23%  | 160<br>24%            | 99<br>58%   | 394<br>34%                     |  |
| Unweighted total                              | 1156        | 552        | 604        | 138        | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135        | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290        | 669                   | 197         | 1156                           |  |

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|   | Total       | Working status |            |             | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education              |                   |                              |                  | Ethnicity   |            | GO Region  |            |            |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           | Unwtd total |             |
|---|-------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
|   |             | Full time      | Part time  | Not working | Yes                   | No         | Quality              | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/CSE/NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/Masters/PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White       | BME        | South East | Eastern    | London     | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East | Wales     |             | Scotland    |
| <b>Total</b>                                  | <b>1156</b> | <b>520</b>     | <b>109</b> | <b>527</b>  | <b>372</b>            | <b>287</b> | <b>253</b>           | <b>423</b> | <b>522</b> | <b>320</b>             | <b>213</b>        | <b>287</b>                   | <b>219</b>       | <b>1054</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>162</b> | <b>110</b> | <b>147</b> | <b>103</b> | <b>104</b>    | <b>87</b>     | <b>101</b>               | <b>134</b> | <b>51</b>  | <b>58</b> | <b>102</b>  | <b>1156</b> |
| <b>Quiz score</b>                             |             |                |            |             |                       |            |                      |            |            |                        |                   |                              |                  |             |            |            |            |            |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           |             |             |
| Scored 0-3                                    | 187         | 70             | 18         | 100         | 78                    | 56         | 12                   | 87         | 92         | 67                     | 24                | 17                           | 67               | 149         | 38         | 11         | 14         | 35         | 9          | 24            | 14            | 20                       | 34         | 8          | 7         | 13          | 210         |
|   | 16%         | 13%            | 16%        | 19%         | 21%                   | 20%        | 5%                   | 21%        | 18%        | 21%                    | 11%               | 6%                           | 31%              | 14%         | 38%        | 7%         | 13%        | 24%        | 8%         | 23%           | 16%           | 20%                      | 25%        | 16%        | 11%       | 13%         | 18%         |
| Scored 4-6                                    | 470         | 204            | 39         | 226         | 144                   | 132        | 74                   | 199        | 209        | 143                    | 98                | 74                           | 107              | 420         | 49         | 46         | 46         | 62         | 42         | 47            | 43            | 30                       | 67         | 22         | 26        | 37          | 463         |
|   | 41%         | 39%            | 36%        | 43%         | 39%                   | 46%        | 29%                  | 47%        | 40%        | 45%                    | 46%               | 26%                          | 49%              | 40%         | 49%        | 28%        | 42%        | 43%        | 41%        | 46%           | 50%           | 30%                      | 50%        | 43%        | 44%       | 37%         | 40%         |
| Scored 7-9                                    | 499         | 245            | 52         | 202         | 149                   | 98         | 167                  | 137        | 221        | 110                    | 91                | 196                          | 46               | 485         | 13         | 105        | 50         | 49         | 52         | 32            | 29            | 50                       | 33         | 21         | 25        | 51          | 483         |
|   | 43%         | 47%            | 48%        | 38%         | 40%                   | 34%        | 66%                  | 32%        | 42%        | 34%                    | 43%               | 68%                          | 21%              | 46%         | 13%        | 65%        | 46%        | 34%        | 51%        | 31%           | 34%           | 49%                      | 25%        | 42%        | 44%       | 51%         | 42%         |
| <b>Satisfaction with local MP</b>             |             |                |            |             |                       |            |                      |            |            |                        |                   |                              |                  |             |            |            |            |            |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           |             |             |
| Satisfied                                     | 444         | 166            | 40         | 237         | 129                   | 102        | 129                  | 160        | 169        | 106                    | 76                | 120                          | 95               | 396         | 46         | 81         | 45         | 60         | 54         | 39            | 23            | 31                       | 48         | 11         | 19        | 33          | 459         |
|   | 38%         | 32%            | 37%        | 45%         | 35%                   | 36%        | 51%                  | 38%        | 32%        | 33%                    | 36%               | 42%                          | 43%              | 38%         | 46%        | 50%        | 41%        | 41%        | 53%        | 37%           | 26%           | 31%                      | 36%        | 22%        | 33%       | 32%         | 40%         |
| Dissatisfied                                  | 190         | 99             | 16         | 75          | 61                    | 50         | 33                   | 77         | 89         | 62                     | 22                | 43                           | 39               | 182         | 8          | 13         | 19         | 30         | 10         | 17            | 11            | 28                       | 28         | 7          | 16        | 10          | 183         |
|   | 16%         | 19%            | 14%        | 14%         | 16%                   | 18%        | 13%                  | 18%        | 17%        | 19%                    | 10%               | 15%                          | 18%              | 17%         | 8%         | 8%         | 17%        | 20%        | 10%        | 17%           | 13%           | 28%                      | 21%        | 14%        | 28%       | 10%         | 16%         |
| <b>Satisfaction with MPs in general</b>       |             |                |            |             |                       |            |                      |            |            |                        |                   |                              |                  |             |            |            |            |            |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           |             |             |
| Satisfied                                     | 336         | 136            | 31         | 168         | 89                    | 87         | 94                   | 109        | 148        | 81                     | 65                | 104                          | 59               | 290         | 46         | 46         | 42         | 44         | 33         | 29            | 22            | 23                       | 47         | 11         | 11        | 30          | 349         |
|   | 29%         | 26%            | 29%        | 32%         | 24%                   | 30%        | 37%                  | 26%        | 28%        | 25%                    | 31%               | 36%                          | 27%              | 27%         | 45%        | 28%        | 38%        | 30%        | 32%        | 28%           | 25%           | 22%                      | 35%        | 22%        | 18%       | 29%         | 30%         |
| Dissatisfied                                  | 515         | 263            | 36         | 216         | 181                   | 115        | 102                  | 198        | 229        | 155                    | 83                | 100                          | 110              | 491         | 24         | 69         | 40         | 53         | 44         | 45            | 44            | 58                       | 62         | 18         | 38        | 43          | 502         |
|   | 45%         | 51%            | 33%        | 41%         | 49%                   | 40%        | 40%                  | 47%        | 44%        | 49%                    | 39%               | 35%                          | 50%              | 47%         | 24%        | 43%        | 36%        | 36%        | 43%        | 43%           | 51%           | 57%                      | 46%        | 36%        | 66%       | 42%         | 43%         |
| <b>Feel can change the way the UK is run?</b> |             |                |            |             |                       |            |                      |            |            |                        |                   |                              |                  |             |            |            |            |            |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           |             |             |
| Agree   | 427         | 191            | 30         | 207         | 123                   | 107        | 88                   | 168        | 185        | 94                     | 81                | 126                          | 80               | 379         | 46         | 63         | 42         | 58         | 37         | 39            | 24            | 31                       | 61         | 18         | 17        | 37          | 438         |
|   | 37%         | 37%            | 28%        | 39%         | 33%                   | 37%        | 35%                  | 40%        | 36%        | 29%                    | 36%               | 44%                          | 36%              | 36%         | 46%        | 39%        | 38%        | 39%        | 36%        | 38%           | 28%           | 31%                      | 45%        | 35%        | 30%       | 37%         | 38%         |
| Disagree                                      | 474         | 220            | 50         | 203         | 173                   | 116        | 107                  | 162        | 225        | 152                    | 85                | 108                          | 82               | 450         | 24         | 58         | 50         | 44         | 48         | 44            | 37            | 51                       | 57         | 21         | 27        | 38          | 450         |
|   | 41%         | 42%            | 46%        | 39%         | 47%                   | 41%        | 42%                  | 38%        | 43%        | 48%                    | 40%               | 38%                          | 37%              | 43%         | 24%        | 36%        | 45%        | 30%        | 46%        | 43%           | 42%           | 51%                      | 42%        | 41%        | 47%       | 38%         | 39%         |
| <b>Use of internet</b>                        |             |                |            |             |                       |            |                      |            |            |                        |                   |                              |                  |             |            |            |            |            |            |               |               |                          |            |            |           |             |             |
| Use internet                                  | 826         | 451            | 89         | 287         | 304                   | 232        | 205                  | 282        | 377        | 235                    | 183               | 260                          | 64               | 766         | 60         | 133        | 82         | 97         | 70         | 75            | 50            | 70                       | 102        | 37         | 36        | 75          | 762         |
|   | 71%         | 87%            | 81%        | 54%         | 82%                   | 81%        | 81%                  | 67%        | 72%        | 73%                    | 86%               | 91%                          | 29%              | 73%         | 60%        | 82%        | 75%        | 66%        | 68%        | 72%           | 58%           | 69%                      | 76%        | 73%        | 62%       | 73%         | 66%         |
| Do not use internet                           | 330         | 69             | 21         | 240         | 68                    | 55         | 48                   | 141        | 145        | 85                     | 30                | 26                           | 155              | 289         | 40         | 28         | 28         | 50         | 33         | 29            | 37            | 31                       | 32         | 14         | 22        | 27          | 394         |
|   | 29%         | 13%            | 19%        | 46%         | 18%                   | 19%        | 19%                  | 33%        | 28%        | 27%                    | 14%               | 9%                           | 71%              | 27%         | 40%        | 18%        | 25%        | 34%        | 32%        | 28%           | 42%           | 31%                      | 24%        | 27%        | 38%       | 27%         | 34%         |
| Unweighted total                              | 1156        | 425            | 109        | 622         | 360                   | 234        | 201                  | 445        | 548        | 318                    | 183               | 258                          | 274              | 1007        | 146        | 116        | 102        | 121        | 102        | 109           | 71            | 91                       | 122        | 68         | 97        | 157         | 1156        |

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|   | Total       | Urbanity   |            |            | Interest in politics |                | Likelihood to vote |                | Political activism |              | Opinion on present system |                   | Knew local MP |            | Unwtd total |
|---|-------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|
|   |             | Urban      | Rural      | Mixed      | Interested           | Not interested | Certain to         | Certain not to | Activist           | Non-activist | Works well                | Needs improvement | Yes           | No         |             |
| <b>Total</b>                                  | <b>1156</b> | <b>784</b> | <b>136</b> | <b>235</b> | <b>611</b>           | <b>539</b>     | <b>619</b>         | <b>140</b>     | <b>180</b>         | <b>976</b>   | <b>322</b>                | <b>793</b>        | <b>511</b>    | <b>645</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| <b>Quiz score</b>                             |             |            |            |            |                      |                |                    |                |                    |              |                           |                   |               |            |             |
| Scored 0-3                                    | 187<br>16%  | 145<br>19% | 12<br>9%   | 30<br>13%  | 40<br>7%             | 143<br>27%     | 50<br>8%           | 41<br>29%      | 3<br>1%            | 185<br>19%   | 57<br>18%                 | 106<br>13%        | 53<br>10%     | 135<br>21% | 210<br>18%  |
| Scored 4-6                                    | 470<br>41%  | 305<br>39% | 53<br>39%  | 111<br>47% | 214<br>35%           | 254<br>47%     | 231<br>37%         | 67<br>48%      | 33<br>18%          | 437<br>45%   | 125<br>39%                | 330<br>42%        | 185<br>36%    | 284<br>44% | 463<br>40%  |
| Scored 7-9                                    | 499<br>43%  | 334<br>43% | 71<br>52%  | 94<br>40%  | 357<br>58%           | 141<br>26%     | 337<br>54%         | 32<br>23%      | 144<br>80%         | 355<br>36%   | 139<br>43%                | 357<br>45%        | 273<br>54%    | 226<br>35% | 483<br>42%  |
| <b>Satisfaction with local MP</b>             |             |            |            |            |                      |                |                    |                |                    |              |                           |                   |               |            |             |
| Satisfied                                     | 444<br>38%  | 301<br>38% | 56<br>41%  | 86<br>37%  | 278<br>45%           | 164<br>30%     | 291<br>47%         | 25<br>18%      | 89<br>49%          | 355<br>36%   | 159<br>49%                | 276<br>35%        | 298<br>58%    | 146<br>23% | 459<br>40%  |
| Dissatisfied                                  | 190<br>16%  | 131<br>17% | 16<br>12%  | 44<br>18%  | 96<br>16%            | 91<br>17%      | 106<br>17%         | 29<br>21%      | 40<br>22%          | 150<br>15%   | 24<br>8%                  | 159<br>20%        | 82<br>16%     | 108<br>17% | 183<br>16%  |
| <b>Satisfaction with MPs in general</b>       |             |            |            |            |                      |                |                    |                |                    |              |                           |                   |               |            |             |
| Satisfied                                     | 336<br>29%  | 238<br>30% | 33<br>24%  | 65<br>28%  | 219<br>36%           | 113<br>21%     | 212<br>34%         | 19<br>13%      | 62<br>34%          | 274<br>28%   | 150<br>47%                | 179<br>23%        | 174<br>34%    | 162<br>25% | 349<br>30%  |
| Dissatisfied                                  | 515<br>45%  | 324<br>41% | 67<br>49%  | 124<br>53% | 247<br>40%           | 266<br>49%     | 275<br>44%         | 74<br>53%      | 69<br>38%          | 446<br>46%   | 79<br>25%                 | 427<br>54%        | 238<br>47%    | 277<br>43% | 502<br>43%  |
| <b>Feel can change the way the UK is run?</b> |             |            |            |            |                      |                |                    |                |                    |              |                           |                   |               |            |             |
| Agree   | 427<br>37%  | 285<br>36% | 53<br>39%  | 88<br>38%  | 272<br>45%           | 151<br>28%     | 276<br>45%         | 37<br>27%      | 85<br>47%          | 342<br>35%   | 147<br>46%                | 274<br>35%        | 199<br>39%    | 228<br>35% | 438<br>38%  |
| Disagree                                      | 474<br>41%  | 320<br>41% | 60<br>44%  | 94<br>40%  | 213<br>35%           | 259<br>48%     | 226<br>36%         | 75<br>54%      | 60<br>34%          | 414<br>42%   | 90<br>28%                 | 375<br>47%        | 205<br>40%    | 269<br>42% | 450<br>39%  |
| <b>Use of internet</b>                        |             |            |            |            |                      |                |                    |                |                    |              |                           |                   |               |            |             |
| Use internet                                  | 826<br>71%  | 569<br>73% | 87<br>64%  | 170<br>72% | 471<br>77%           | 352<br>65%     | 426<br>69%         | 101<br>73%     | 160<br>89%         | 666<br>68%   | 233<br>72%                | 571<br>72%        | 346<br>68%    | 480<br>74% | 762<br>66%  |
| Do not use internet                           | 330<br>29%  | 215<br>27% | 49<br>36%  | 65<br>28%  | 140<br>23%           | 187<br>35%     | 192<br>31%         | 38<br>27%      | 20<br>11%          | 310<br>32%   | 89<br>28%                 | 222<br>28%        | 165<br>32%    | 165<br>26% | 394<br>34%  |
| Unweighted total                              | 1156        | 773        | 145        | 238        | 580                  | 569            | 627                | 143            | 160                | 996          | 327                       | 783               | 495           | 661        | 1156        |

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|   | Total       | Quiz score  |             |             | Satisfaction with local MP |              | Satisfaction with MPs in general |              | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |             | Use of internet |                     | Unwtd total |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|--------------|--|-------------|-----------------|---------------------|-------------|
|   |             | Scored 0-3  | Scored 4-6  | Scored 7-9  | Satisfied                  | Dissatisfied | Satisfied                        | Dissatisfied | Agree                                  | Disagree    | Use internet    | Do not use internet |             |
| <b>Total</b>                                  | <b>1156</b> | <b>187</b>  | <b>470</b>  | <b>499</b>  | <b>444</b>                 | <b>190</b>   | <b>336</b>                       | <b>515</b>   | <b>427</b>                             | <b>474</b>  | <b>826</b>      | <b>330</b>          | <b>1156</b> |
| <b>Quiz score</b>                             |             |             |             |             |                            |              |                                  |              |  |             |                 |                     |             |
| Scored 0-3                                    | 187<br>16%  | 187<br>100% | -           | -           | 54<br>12%                  | 32<br>17%    | 52<br>15%                        | 57<br>11%    | 61<br>14%                              | 68<br>14%   | 108<br>13%      | 79<br>24%           | 210<br>18%  |
| Scored 4-6                                    | 470<br>41%  | -           | 470<br>100% | -           | 163<br>37%                 | 82<br>43%    | 114<br>34%                       | 246<br>48%   | 166<br>39%                             | 210<br>44%  | 309<br>37%      | 160<br>49%          | 463<br>40%  |
| Scored 7-9                                    | 499<br>43%  | -           | -           | 499<br>100% | 227<br>51%                 | 76<br>40%    | 170<br>51%                       | 211<br>41%   | 200<br>47%                             | 195<br>41%  | 409<br>49%      | 90<br>27%           | 483<br>42%  |
| <b>Satisfaction with local MP</b>             |             |             |             |             |                            |              |                                  |              |  |             |                 |                     |             |
| Satisfied                                     | 444<br>38%  | 54<br>29%   | 163<br>35%  | 227<br>45%  | 444<br>100%                | -            | 224<br>67%                       | 143<br>28%   | 197<br>46%                             | 148<br>31%  | 291<br>35%      | 153<br>46%          | 459<br>40%  |
| Dissatisfied                                  | 190<br>16%  | 32<br>17%   | 82<br>17%   | 76<br>15%   | -                          | 190<br>100%  | 24<br>7%                         | 138<br>27%   | 71<br>17%                              | 93<br>20%   | 135<br>16%      | 55<br>17%           | 183<br>16%  |
| <b>Satisfaction with MPs in general</b>       |             |             |             |             |                            |              |                                  |              |  |             |                 |                     |             |
| Satisfied                                     | 336<br>29%  | 52<br>28%   | 114<br>24%  | 170<br>34%  | 224<br>51%                 | 24<br>12%    | 336<br>100%                      | -            | 170<br>40%                             | 98<br>21%   | 232<br>28%      | 104<br>31%          | 349<br>30%  |
| Dissatisfied                                  | 515<br>45%  | 57<br>30%   | 246<br>52%  | 211<br>42%  | 143<br>32%                 | 138<br>73%   | -                                | 515<br>100%  | 140<br>33%                             | 278<br>59%  | 359<br>43%      | 156<br>47%          | 502<br>43%  |
| <b>Feel can change the way the UK is run?</b> |             |             |             |             |                            |              |                                  |              |  |             |                 |                     |             |
| Agree   | 427<br>37%  | 61<br>33%   | 166<br>35%  | 200<br>40%  | 197<br>44%                 | 71<br>37%    | 170<br>51%                       | 140<br>27%   | 427<br>100%                            | -           | 302<br>36%      | 126<br>38%          | 438<br>38%  |
| Disagree                                      | 474<br>41%  | 68<br>37%   | 210<br>45%  | 195<br>39%  | 148<br>33%                 | 93<br>49%    | 98<br>29%                        | 278<br>54%   | -                                      | 474<br>100% | 352<br>43%      | 122<br>37%          | 450<br>39%  |
| <b>Use of internet</b>                        |             |             |             |             |                            |              |                                  |              |  |             |                 |                     |             |
| Use internet                                  | 826<br>71%  | 108<br>58%  | 309<br>66%  | 409<br>82%  | 291<br>66%                 | 135<br>71%   | 232<br>69%                       | 359<br>70%   | 302<br>71%                             | 352<br>74%  | 826<br>100%     | -                   | 762<br>66%  |
| Do not use internet                           | 330<br>29%  | 79<br>42%   | 160<br>34%  | 90<br>18%   | 153<br>34%                 | 55<br>29%    | 104<br>31%                       | 156<br>30%   | 126<br>29%                             | 122<br>26%  | -               | 330<br>100%         | 394<br>34%  |
| Unweighted total                              | 1156        | 210         | 463         | 483         | 459                        | 183          | 349                              | 502          | 438                                    | 450         | 762             | 394                 | 1156        |

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|   | Total       | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |
|---|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|
|   |             | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |
| <b>Total</b>                                  | <b>1156</b> | <b>175</b>            | <b>373</b>               | <b>396</b>              | <b>387</b>  | <b>116</b>            | <b>157</b>         | <b>159</b>            | <b>191</b>      | <b>66</b>             | <b>92</b>       | <b>277</b>             | <b>99</b>         | <b>1156</b> |
| <b>Quiz score</b>                             |             |                       |                          |                         |             |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   |             |
| Scored 0-3                                    | 187<br>16%  | 17<br>10%             | 40<br>11%                | 67<br>17%               | 80<br>21%   | -                     | 3<br>2%            | 8<br>5%               | 34<br>18%       | 2<br>3%               | 28<br>31%       | 65<br>23%              | 47<br>48%         | 210<br>18%  |
| Scored 4-6                                    | 470<br>41%  | 67<br>38%             | 141<br>38%               | 159<br>40%              | 170<br>44%  | 16<br>14%             | 47<br>30%          | 71<br>45%             | 88<br>46%       | 17<br>26%             | 42<br>45%       | 146<br>53%             | 42<br>43%         | 463<br>40%  |
| Scored 7-9                                    | 499<br>43%  | 91<br>52%             | 193<br>52%               | 170<br>43%              | 137<br>35%  | 99<br>86%             | 107<br>68%         | 80<br>50%             | 69<br>36%       | 47<br>71%             | 22<br>24%       | 66<br>24%              | 9<br>9%           | 483<br>42%  |
| <b>Satisfaction with local MP</b>             |             |                       |                          |                         |             |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   |             |
| Satisfied                                     | 444<br>38%  | 75<br>43%             | 158<br>42%               | 140<br>35%              | 145<br>38%  | 60<br>52%             | 82<br>52%          | 66<br>42%             | 78<br>41%       | 28<br>42%             | 52<br>57%       | 71<br>25%              | 7<br>7%           | 459<br>40%  |
| Dissatisfied                                  | 190<br>16%  | 25<br>14%             | 54<br>14%                | 77<br>19%               | 60<br>15%   | 26<br>23%             | 21<br>14%          | 21<br>13%             | 32<br>16%       | 3<br>4%               | 10<br>11%       | 47<br>17%              | 31<br>31%         | 183<br>16%  |
| <b>Satisfaction with MPs in general</b>       |             |                       |                          |                         |             |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   |             |
| Satisfied                                     | 336<br>29%  | 52<br>30%             | 108<br>29%               | 118<br>30%              | 110<br>29%  | 52<br>45%             | 52<br>34%          | 37<br>23%             | 53<br>28%       | 28<br>42%             | 40<br>44%       | 67<br>24%              | 6<br>7%           | 349<br>30%  |
| Dissatisfied                                  | 515<br>45%  | 62<br>36%             | 156<br>42%               | 186<br>47%              | 172<br>45%  | 41<br>35%             | 59<br>38%          | 93<br>58%             | 95<br>50%       | 23<br>34%             | 36<br>39%       | 107<br>38%             | 62<br>63%         | 502<br>43%  |
| <b>Feel can change the way the UK is run?</b> |             |                       |                          |                         |             |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   |             |
| Agree   | 427<br>37%  | 76<br>43%             | 160<br>43%               | 133<br>33%              | 135<br>35%  | 44<br>38%             | 76<br>49%          | 58<br>37%             | 66<br>34%       | 24<br>36%             | 49<br>54%       | 93<br>33%              | 17<br>18%         | 438<br>38%  |
| Disagree                                      | 474<br>41%  | 70<br>40%             | 147<br>39%               | 167<br>42%              | 160<br>41%  | 51<br>44%             | 52<br>33%          | 64<br>40%             | 79<br>41%       | 22<br>34%             | 33<br>36%       | 115<br>42%             | 57<br>58%         | 450<br>39%  |
| <b>Use of internet</b>                        |             |                       |                          |                         |             |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   |             |
| Use internet                                  | 826<br>71%  | 134<br>77%            | 275<br>74%               | 299<br>75%              | 252<br>65%  | 104<br>90%            | 125<br>80%         | 118<br>74%            | 107<br>56%      | 49<br>75%             | 55<br>60%       | 206<br>75%             | 62<br>63%         | 762<br>66%  |
| Do not use internet                           | 330<br>29%  | 41<br>23%             | 98<br>26%                | 97<br>25%               | 135<br>35%  | 11<br>10%             | 32<br>20%          | 41<br>26%             | 84<br>44%       | 17<br>25%             | 37<br>40%       | 71<br>25%              | 36<br>37%         | 394<br>34%  |
| Unweighted total                              | 1156        | 163                   | 351                      | 386                     | 419         | 96                    | 142                | 146                   | 228             | 62                    | 93              | 287                    | 102               | 1156        |

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|                          | Gender      |            | Age        |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            | Social class |            |            |            |            |            | Region     |            |            | Marital status |                       |                                | Unwtd total |             |  |
|--------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|--|
|                          | Male        | Female     | 18-24      | 25-34      | 35-44      | 45-54      | 55-64      | 65-74      | 75+        | 18-34      | 35-54      | 55+        | AB           | C1         | C2         | DE         | ABC1       | C2DE       | North      | South      | Mid lands  | Single         | Married /Co-hab iting | Widowed /Divor ced/ Sepa rated |             |             |  |
| <b>Total</b>             | <b>1156</b> | <b>561</b> | <b>595</b> | <b>173</b> | <b>183</b> | <b>216</b> | <b>186</b> | <b>169</b> | <b>117</b> | <b>111</b> | <b>356</b> | <b>402</b> | <b>398</b>   | <b>310</b> | <b>333</b> | <b>241</b> | <b>272</b> | <b>642</b> | <b>514</b> | <b>387</b> | <b>411</b> | <b>358</b>     | <b>306</b>            | <b>681</b>                     | <b>169</b>  | <b>1156</b> |  |
| <b>Seat marginality</b>  |             |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |              |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |                |                       |                                |             |             |  |
| Less than 5% majority    | 175         | 98         | 77         | 26         | 24         | 29         | 32         | 31         | 19         | 15         | 50         | 60         | 65           | 60         | 51         | 33         | 31         | 111        | 64         | 27         | 106        | 43             | 51                    | 98                             | 26          | 163         |  |
|                          | 15%         | 17%        | 13%        | 15%        | 13%        | 13%        | 17%        | 18%        | 16%        | 13%        | 14%        | 15%        | 16%          | 19%        | 15%        | 14%        | 11%        | 17%        | 13%        | 7%         | 26%        | 12%            | 17%                   | 14%                            | 15%         | 14%         |  |
| Marginal (Less than 10%) | 373         | 184        | 189        | 46         | 52         | 68         | 65         | 64         | 40         | 38         | 98         | 133        | 142          | 130        | 96         | 75         | 71         | 226        | 147        | 86         | 169        | 118            | 89                    | 228                            | 56          | 351         |  |
|                          | 32%         | 33%        | 32%        | 27%        | 28%        | 31%        | 35%        | 38%        | 34%        | 34%        | 28%        | 33%        | 36%          | 42%        | 29%        | 31%        | 26%        | 35%        | 29%        | 22%        | 41%        | 33%            | 29%                   | 33%                            | 33%         | 30%         |  |
| Semi marginal (10%-20%)  | 396         | 186        | 210        | 73         | 56         | 82         | 70         | 54         | 36         | 26         | 129        | 152        | 116          | 93         | 124        | 69         | 110        | 217        | 179        | 125        | 148        | 123            | 114                   | 235                            | 47          | 386         |  |
|                          | 34%         | 33%        | 35%        | 42%        | 31%        | 38%        | 37%        | 32%        | 31%        | 23%        | 36%        | 38%        | 29%          | 30%        | 37%        | 29%        | 40%        | 34%        | 35%        | 32%        | 36%        | 34%            | 37%                   | 35%                            | 28%         | 33%         |  |
| Safe (>20%)              | 387         | 191        | 195        | 54         | 75         | 66         | 51         | 52         | 42         | 47         | 129        | 117        | 141          | 86         | 112        | 97         | 92         | 199        | 188        | 176        | 94         | 117            | 102                   | 218                            | 66          | 419         |  |
|                          | 33%         | 34%        | 33%        | 31%        | 41%        | 31%        | 28%        | 30%        | 36%        | 43%        | 36%        | 29%        | 35%          | 28%        | 34%        | 40%        | 34%        | 31%        | 37%        | 46%        | 23%        | 33%            | 33%                   | 32%                            | 39%         | 36%         |  |
| <b>Segment</b>           |             |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |              |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |                |                       |                                |             |             |  |
| Politically committed    | 116         | 51         | 64         | 10         | 7          | 19         | 32         | 29         | 12         | 5          | 18         | 51         | 47           | 68         | 29         | 11         | 7          | 97         | 19         | 26         | 57         | 32             | 16                    | 87                             | 13          | 96          |  |
|                          | 10%         | 9%         | 11%        | 6%         | 4%         | 9%         | 17%        | 17%        | 11%        | 4%         | 5%         | 13%        | 12%          | 22%        | 9%         | 5%         | 3%         | 15%        | 4%         | 7%         | 14%        | 9%             | 5%                    | 13%                            | 8%          | 8%          |  |
| Active campaigners       | 157         | 74         | 82         | 14         | 20         | 25         | 40         | 26         | 21         | 11         | 35         | 65         | 57           | 70         | 53         | 16         | 18         | 123        | 34         | 47         | 67         | 43             | 29                    | 106                            | 22          | 142         |  |
|                          | 14%         | 13%        | 14%        | 8%         | 11%        | 12%        | 21%        | 15%        | 18%        | 10%        | 10%        | 16%        | 14%          | 23%        | 16%        | 7%         | 7%         | 19%        | 7%         | 12%        | 16%        | 12%            | 9%                    | 16%                            | 13%         | 12%         |  |
| Interested bystanders    | 159         | 81         | 79         | 11         | 18         | 16         | 34         | 45         | 19         | 17         | 29         | 50         | 80           | 56         | 47         | 33         | 23         | 103        | 56         | 40         | 61         | 58             | 25                    | 114                            | 20          | 146         |  |
|                          | 14%         | 14%        | 13%        | 6%         | 10%        | 8%         | 18%        | 26%        | 16%        | 15%        | 8%         | 12%        | 20%          | 18%        | 14%        | 14%        | 8%         | 16%        | 11%        | 10%        | 15%        | 16%            | 8%                    | 17%                            | 12%         | 13%         |  |
| Detached cynics          | 191         | 90         | 102        | 6          | 20         | 44         | 22         | 30         | 32         | 37         | 27         | 65         | 99           | 25         | 59         | 46         | 61         | 84         | 107        | 62         | 68         | 61             | 27                    | 123                            | 42          | 228         |  |
|                          | 17%         | 16%        | 17%        | 4%         | 11%        | 20%        | 12%        | 18%        | 28%        | 33%        | 7%         | 16%        | 25%          | 8%         | 18%        | 19%        | 22%        | 13%        | 21%        | 16%        | 16%        | 17%            | 9%                    | 18%                            | 25%         | 20%         |  |
| Politically contented    | 66          | 30         | 36         | 8          | 12         | 7          | 12         | 7          | 7          | 13         | 20         | 19         | 27           | 28         | 23         | 6          | 10         | 50         | 16         | 23         | 23         | 21             | 17                    | 35                             | 13          | 62          |  |
|                          | 6%          | 5%         | 6%         | 4%         | 7%         | 3%         | 7%         | 4%         | 6%         | 12%        | 6%         | 5%         | 7%           | 9%         | 7%         | 3%         | 4%         | 8%         | 3%         | 6%         | 6%         | 6%             | 6%                    | 5%                             | 8%          | 5%          |  |
| Bored/apathetic          | 92          | 49         | 43         | 15         | 20         | 26         | 4          | 7          | 10         | 9          | 36         | 31         | 26           | 13         | 21         | 28         | 29         | 35         | 57         | 43         | 30         | 19             | 33                    | 45                             | 15          | 93          |  |
|                          | 8%          | 9%         | 7%         | 9%         | 11%        | 12%        | 2%         | 4%         | 9%         | 8%         | 10%        | 8%         | 6%           | 4%         | 6%         | 12%        | 11%        | 5%         | 11%        | 11%        | 7%         | 5%             | 11%                   | 7%                             | 9%          | 8%          |  |
| Disengaged/mistrustful   | 277         | 142        | 135        | 79         | 65         | 60         | 27         | 19         | 12         | 15         | 145        | 87         | 45           | 39         | 82         | 73         | 83         | 121        | 157        | 100        | 83         | 93             | 121                   | 125                            | 31          | 287         |  |
|                          | 24%         | 25%        | 23%        | 46%        | 36%        | 28%        | 14%        | 11%        | 10%        | 13%        | 41%        | 22%        | 11%          | 12%        | 25%        | 30%        | 31%        | 19%        | 30%        | 26%        | 20%        | 26%            | 39%                   | 18%                            | 19%         | 25%         |  |
| Alienated/hostile        | 99          | 45         | 54         | 29         | 19         | 18         | 15         | 7          | 4          | 5          | 49         | 33         | 17           | 10         | 19         | 27         | 42         | 30         | 69         | 46         | 22         | 31             | 39                    | 47                             | 13          | 102         |  |
|                          | 9%          | 8%         | 9%         | 17%        | 11%        | 8%         | 8%         | 4%         | 3%         | 5%         | 14%        | 8%         | 4%           | 3%         | 6%         | 11%        | 15%        | 5%         | 13%        | 12%        | 5%         | 9%             | 13%                   | 7%                             | 8%          | 9%          |  |
| Unweighted total         | 1156        | 552        | 604        | 138        | 207        | 206        | 141        | 170        | 159        | 135        | 345        | 347        | 464          | 224        | 353        | 257        | 322        | 577        | 579        | 438        | 339        | 379            | 290                   | 669                            | 197         | 1156        |  |

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|                          | Working status |            |            | Children in household |            | Newspaper readership |            |            | Education  |                          |                   |                                | Ethnicity        |             | GO Region  |            |            |            |            |               |               |                          |            |            | Unwtd total |            |             |
|--------------------------|----------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|                          | Total          | Full time  | Part time  | Not working           | Yes        | No                   | Quality    | Popular    | None       | GCSE/O-Level/ CSE/ NVQ12 | A-Level or equiv. | Degree/ Masters /PhD or equiv. | No formal quals. | White       | BME        | South East | Eastern    | London     | South West | West Midlands | East Midlands | Yorkshire and Humberside | North West | North East |             | Wales      | Scotland    |
| <b>Total</b>             | <b>1156</b>    | <b>520</b> | <b>109</b> | <b>527</b>            | <b>372</b> | <b>287</b>           | <b>253</b> | <b>423</b> | <b>522</b> | <b>320</b>               | <b>213</b>        | <b>287</b>                     | <b>219</b>       | <b>1054</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>162</b> | <b>110</b> | <b>147</b> | <b>103</b> | <b>104</b>    | <b>87</b>     | <b>101</b>               | <b>134</b> | <b>51</b>  | <b>58</b>   | <b>102</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| <b>Seat marginality</b>  |                |            |            |                       |            |                      |            |            |            |                          |                   |                                |                  |             |            |            |            |            |            |               |               |                          |            |            |             |            |             |
| Less than 5% majority    | 175            | 86         | 22         | 67                    | 47         | 51                   | 44         | 66         | 74         | 42                       | 23                | 65                             | 22               | 161         | 14         | 53         | 12         | 37         | 16         | 11            | 10            | 9                        | -          | -          | 10          | 18         | 163         |
|                          | 15%            | 16%        | 20%        | 13%                   | 13%        | 18%                  | 17%        | 15%        | 14%        | 13%                      | 11%               | 23%                            | 10%              | 15%         | 14%        | 33%        | 11%        | 25%        | 15%        | 11%           | 12%           | 9%                       | -          | -          | 17%         | 18%        |             |
| Marginal (Less than 10%) | 373            | 166        | 45         | 162                   | 109        | 86                   | 89         | 118        | 182        | 97                       | 61                | 115                            | 59               | 346         | 27         | 57         | 28         | 64         | 48         | 48            | 28            | 31                       | 18         | 10         | 14          | 27         | 351         |
|                          | 32%            | 32%        | 41%        | 31%                   | 29%        | 30%                  | 35%        | 28%        | 35%        | 30%                      | 29%               | 40%                            | 27%              | 33%         | 27%        | 35%        | 26%        | 44%        | 47%        | 46%           | 32%           | 31%                      | 14%        | 19%        | 24%         | 26%        | 30%         |
| Semi marginal (10%-20%)  | 396            | 181        | 38         | 177                   | 134        | 110                  | 86         | 135        | 183        | 107                      | 79                | 103                            | 73               | 357         | 39         | 64         | 52         | 47         | 38         | 28            | 30            | 24                       | 48         | 20         | 13          | 33         | 386         |
|                          | 34%            | 35%        | 35%        | 34%                   | 36%        | 38%                  | 34%        | 32%        | 35%        | 33%                      | 37%               | 36%                            | 33%              | 34%         | 39%        | 39%        | 48%        | 32%        | 37%        | 27%           | 35%           | 24%                      | 36%        | 40%        | 22%         | 32%        | 33%         |
| Safe (>20%)              | 387            | 173        | 26         | 188                   | 128        | 90                   | 77         | 169        | 157        | 116                      | 73                | 69                             | 87               | 351         | 35         | 41         | 29         | 36         | 17         | 28            | 29            | 45                       | 68         | 21         | 31          | 42         | 419         |
|                          | 33%            | 33%        | 24%        | 36%                   | 34%        | 32%                  | 31%        | 40%        | 30%        | 36%                      | 34%               | 24%                            | 40%              | 33%         | 35%        | 25%        | 26%        | 25%        | 16%        | 27%           | 33%           | 45%                      | 51%        | 41%        | 54%         | 42%        | 36%         |
| <b>Segment</b>           |                |            |            |                       |            |                      |            |            |            |                          |                   |                                |                  |             |            |            |            |            |            |               |               |                          |            |            |             |            |             |
| Politically committed    | 116            | 62         | 15         | 38                    | 34         | 18                   | 59         | 21         | 47         | 12                       | 25                | 65                             | 2                | 115         | 1          | 29         | 16         | 16         | 12         | 6             | 5             | 7                        | 2          | 7          | 5           | 10         | 96          |
|                          | 10%            | 12%        | 13%        | 7%                    | 9%         | 6%                   | 23%        | 5%         | 9%         | 4%                       | 11%               | 23%                            | 1%               | 11%         | 1%         | 18%        | 15%        | 11%        | 11%        | 6%            | 6%            | 7%                       | 2%         | 14%        | 9%          | 9%         | 8%          |
| Active campaigners       | 157            | 76         | 17         | 63                    | 45         | 27                   | 70         | 35         | 62         | 23                       | 32                | 74                             | 14               | 151         | 5          | 34         | 12         | 10         | 23         | 14            | 10            | 7                        | 17         | 7          | 7           | 16         | 142         |
|                          | 14%            | 15%        | 16%        | 12%                   | 12%        | 10%                  | 28%        | 8%         | 12%        | 7%                       | 15%               | 26%                            | 6%               | 14%         | 5%         | 21%        | 11%        | 7%         | 23%        | 13%           | 12%           | 7%                       | 13%        | 14%        | 12%         | 15%        | 12%         |
| Interested bystanders    | 159            | 89         | 9          | 61                    | 31         | 46                   | 46         | 64         | 55         | 40                       | 35                | 40                             | 24               | 153         | 6          | 25         | 15         | 20         | 16         | 17            | 17            | 16                       | 14         | 2          | 9           | 8          | 146         |
|                          | 14%            | 17%        | 8%         | 12%                   | 8%         | 16%                  | 18%        | 15%        | 10%        | 13%                      | 16%               | 14%                            | 11%              | 15%         | 6%         | 15%        | 14%        | 14%        | 16%        | 16%           | 19%           | 16%                      | 10%        | 4%         | 16%         | 8%         | 13%         |
| Detached cynics          | 191            | 68         | 13         | 111                   | 66         | 31                   | 24         | 80         | 91         | 58                       | 13                | 22                             | 73               | 168         | 23         | 15         | 13         | 33         | 20         | 17            | 18            | 11                       | 17         | 9          | 13          | 25         | 228         |
|                          | 17%            | 13%        | 12%        | 21%                   | 18%        | 11%                  | 10%        | 19%        | 17%        | 18%                      | 6%                | 8%                             | 33%              | 16%         | 23%        | 9%         | 12%        | 23%        | 19%        | 16%           | 21%           | 11%                      | 12%        | 17%        | 23%         | 25%        | 20%         |
| Politically contented    | 66             | 29         | 5          | 32                    | 10         | 21                   | 19         | 21         | 30         | 12                       | 14                | 25                             | 10               | 65          | 1          | 12         | 8          | 4          | 7          | 6             | 4             | 6                        | 6          | 4          | 2           | 7          | 62          |
|                          | 6%             | 6%         | 5%         | 6%                    | 3%         | 7%                   | 7%         | 5%         | 6%         | 4%                       | 7%                | 9%                             | 4%               | 6%          | 1%         | 7%         | 8%         | 3%         | 7%         | 6%            | 5%            | 6%                       | 4%         | 8%         | 3%          | 7%         | 5%          |
| Bored/apathetic          | 92             | 40         | 9          | 44                    | 34         | 29                   | 9          | 51         | 33         | 35                       | 16                | 10                             | 27               | 76          | 16         | 9          | 6          | 18         | 2          | 5             | 6             | 10                       | 25         | 1          | 2           | 7          | 93          |
|                          | 8%             | 8%         | 8%         | 8%                    | 9%         | 10%                  | 3%         | 12%        | 6%         | 11%                      | 8%                | 4%                             | 12%              | 7%          | 16%        | 6%         | 6%         | 12%        | 2%         | 5%            | 6%            | 10%                      | 19%        | 2%         | 4%          | 7%         | 8%          |
| Disengaged/mistrustful   | 277            | 117        | 39         | 122                   | 111        | 86                   | 24         | 113        | 144        | 99                       | 63                | 42                             | 47               | 238         | 38         | 32         | 33         | 32         | 19         | 29            | 19            | 29                       | 38         | 14         | 12          | 19         | 287         |
|                          | 24%            | 22%        | 35%        | 23%                   | 30%        | 30%                  | 10%        | 27%        | 28%        | 31%                      | 29%               | 15%                            | 21%              | 23%         | 38%        | 20%        | 30%        | 22%        | 19%        | 28%           | 22%           | 28%                      | 28%        | 29%        | 21%         | 19%        | 25%         |
| Alienated/hostile        | 99             | 39         | 3          | 57                    | 41         | 28                   | 2          | 37         | 61         | 40                       | 16                | 8                              | 22               | 87          | 11         | 6          | 6          | 12         | 4          | 10            | 7             | 15                       | 15         | 6          | 7           | 10         | 102         |
|                          | 9%             | 7%         | 3%         | 11%                   | 11%        | 10%                  | 1%         | 9%         | 12%        | 13%                      | 7%                | 3%                             | 10%              | 8%          | 11%        | 4%         | 5%         | 8%         | 4%         | 10%           | 8%            | 15%                      | 11%        | 11%        | 12%         | 10%        | 9%          |
| Unweighted total         | 1156           | 425        | 109        | 622                   | 360        | 234                  | 201        | 445        | 548        | 318                      | 183               | 258                            | 274              | 1007        | 146        | 116        | 102        | 121        | 102        | 109           | 71            | 91                       | 122        | 68         | 97          | 157        | 1156        |

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|                          | Total       | Urbanity   |            |            | Interest in politics |                | Likelihood to vote |                | Political activism |              | Opinion on present system |                   | Knew local MP |            | Unwtd total |
|--------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|
|                          |             | Urban      | Rural      | Mixed      | Interested           | Not interested | Certain to         | Certain not to | Activist           | Non-activist | Works well                | Needs improvement | Yes           | No         |             |
| <b>Total</b>             | <b>1156</b> | <b>784</b> | <b>136</b> | <b>235</b> | <b>611</b>           | <b>539</b>     | <b>619</b>         | <b>140</b>     | <b>180</b>         | <b>976</b>   | <b>322</b>                | <b>793</b>        | <b>511</b>    | <b>645</b> | <b>1156</b> |
| <b>Seat marginality</b>  |             |            |            |            |                      |                |                    |                |                    |              |                           |                   |               |            |             |
| Less than 5% majority    | 175<br>15%  | 127<br>16% | 24<br>18%  | 24<br>10%  | 105<br>17%           | 68<br>13%      | 108<br>17%         | 12<br>9%       | 37<br>21%          | 138<br>14%   | 60<br>19%                 | 109<br>14%        | 76<br>15%     | 99<br>15%  | 163<br>14%  |
| Marginal (Less than 10%) | 373<br>32%  | 268<br>34% | 58<br>43%  | 47<br>20%  | 225<br>37%           | 147<br>27%     | 233<br>38%         | 29<br>21%      | 72<br>40%          | 301<br>31%   | 113<br>35%                | 253<br>32%        | 181<br>35%    | 192<br>30% | 351<br>30%  |
| Semi marginal (10%-20%)  | 396<br>34%  | 283<br>36% | 32<br>24%  | 81<br>34%  | 202<br>33%           | 191<br>35%     | 204<br>33%         | 51<br>37%      | 73<br>41%          | 323<br>33%   | 103<br>32%                | 277<br>35%        | 152<br>30%    | 244<br>38% | 386<br>33%  |
| Safe (>20%)              | 387<br>33%  | 234<br>30% | 46<br>34%  | 108<br>46% | 184<br>30%           | 201<br>37%     | 182<br>29%         | 59<br>42%      | 35<br>19%          | 352<br>36%   | 105<br>33%                | 264<br>33%        | 178<br>35%    | 209<br>32% | 419<br>36%  |
| <b>Segment</b>           |             |            |            |            |                      |                |                    |                |                    |              |                           |                   |               |            |             |
| Politically committed    | 116<br>10%  | 79<br>10%  | 15<br>11%  | 22<br>9%   | 99<br>16%            | 16<br>3%       | 87<br>14%          | 5<br>4%        | 84<br>47%          | 31<br>3%     | 22<br>7%                  | 94<br>12%         | 83<br>16%     | 32<br>5%   | 96<br>8%    |
| Active campaigners       | 157<br>14%  | 109<br>14% | 17<br>12%  | 31<br>13%  | 133<br>22%           | 24<br>4%       | 128<br>21%         | 2<br>1%        | 59<br>33%          | 98<br>10%    | 53<br>17%                 | 103<br>13%        | 90<br>18%     | 67<br>10%  | 142<br>12%  |
| Interested bystanders    | 159<br>14%  | 99<br>13%  | 26<br>19%  | 34<br>14%  | 117<br>19%           | 42<br>8%       | 122<br>20%         | 2<br>1%        | 11<br>6%           | 148<br>15%   | 34<br>11%                 | 122<br>15%        | 81<br>16%     | 78<br>12%  | 146<br>13%  |
| Detached cynics          | 191<br>17%  | 121<br>15% | 23<br>17%  | 47<br>20%  | 79<br>13%            | 112<br>21%     | 129<br>21%         | 9<br>6%        | 10<br>5%           | 181<br>19%   | 51<br>16%                 | 125<br>16%        | 86<br>17%     | 105<br>16% | 228<br>20%  |
| Politically contented    | 66<br>6%    | 49<br>6%   | 7<br>5%    | 10<br>4%   | 39<br>6%             | 26<br>5%       | 36<br>6%           | *<br>*         | 2<br>1%            | 64<br>7%     | 30<br>9%                  | 36<br>5%          | 36<br>7%      | 30<br>5%   | 62<br>5%    |
| Bored/apathetic          | 92<br>8%    | 69<br>9%   | 7<br>5%    | 15<br>6%   | 42<br>7%             | 50<br>9%       | 32<br>5%           | 11<br>8%       | *<br>*             | 91<br>9%     | 35<br>11%                 | 54<br>7%          | 87<br>17%     | 5<br>1%    | 93<br>8%    |
| Disengaged/mistrustful   | 277<br>24%  | 188<br>24% | 32<br>23%  | 58<br>25%  | 98<br>16%            | 178<br>33%     | 68<br>11%          | 55<br>40%      | 13<br>7%           | 264<br>27%   | 82<br>25%                 | 183<br>23%        | 37<br>7%      | 240<br>37% | 287<br>25%  |
| Alienated/hostile        | 99<br>9%    | 70<br>9%   | 10<br>7%   | 19<br>8%   | 4<br>1%              | 90<br>17%      | 16<br>3%           | 55<br>39%      | -<br>-             | 99<br>10%    | 14<br>4%                  | 75<br>9%          | 11<br>2%      | 88<br>14%  | 102<br>9%   |
| Unweighted total         | 1156        | 773        | 145        | 238        | 580                  | 569            | 627                | 143            | 160                | 996          | 327                       | 783               | 495           | 661        | 1156        |

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|                          | Total       | Quiz score |            |            | Satisfaction with local MP |              | Satisfaction with MPs in general |              | Feel can change the way the UK is run? |            | Use of internet |                     | Unwtd total |
|--------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|--------------|--|------------|-----------------|---------------------|-------------|
|                          |             | Scored 0-3 | Scored 4-6 | Scored 7-9 | Satisfied                  | Dissatisfied | Satisfied                        | Dissatisfied | Agree                                  | Disagree   | Use internet    | Do not use internet |             |
| <b>Total</b>             | <b>1156</b> | <b>187</b> | <b>470</b> | <b>499</b> | <b>444</b>                 | <b>190</b>   | <b>336</b>                       | <b>515</b>   | <b>427</b>                             | <b>474</b> | <b>826</b>      | <b>330</b>          | <b>1156</b> |
| <b>Seat marginality</b>  |             |            |            |            |                            |              |                                  |              |  |            |                 |                     |             |
| Less than 5% majority    | 175<br>15%  | 17<br>9%   | 67<br>14%  | 91<br>18%  | 75<br>17%                  | 25<br>13%    | 52<br>16%                        | 62<br>12%    | 76<br>18%                              | 70<br>15%  | 134<br>16%      | 41<br>12%           | 163<br>14%  |
| Marginal (Less than 10%) | 373<br>32%  | 40<br>21%  | 141<br>30% | 193<br>39% | 158<br>36%                 | 54<br>28%    | 108<br>32%                       | 156<br>30%   | 160<br>37%                             | 147<br>31% | 275<br>33%      | 98<br>30%           | 351<br>30%  |
| Semi marginal (10%-20%)  | 396<br>34%  | 67<br>36%  | 159<br>34% | 170<br>34% | 140<br>32%                 | 77<br>40%    | 118<br>35%                       | 186<br>36%   | 133<br>31%                             | 167<br>35% | 299<br>36%      | 97<br>29%           | 386<br>33%  |
| Safe (>20%)              | 387<br>33%  | 80<br>43%  | 170<br>36% | 137<br>27% | 145<br>33%                 | 60<br>31%    | 110<br>33%                       | 172<br>33%   | 135<br>31%                             | 160<br>34% | 252<br>30%      | 135<br>41%          | 419<br>36%  |
| <b>Segment</b>           |             |            |            |            |                            |              |                                  |              |  |            |                 |                     |             |
| Politically committed    | 116<br>10%  | -<br>-     | 16<br>3%   | 99<br>20%  | 60<br>14%                  | 26<br>14%    | 52<br>16%                        | 41<br>8%     | 44<br>10%                              | 51<br>11%  | 104<br>13%      | 11<br>3%            | 96<br>8%    |
| Active campaigners       | 157<br>14%  | 3<br>2%    | 47<br>10%  | 107<br>21% | 82<br>18%                  | 21<br>11%    | 52<br>16%                        | 59<br>11%    | 76<br>18%                              | 52<br>11%  | 125<br>15%      | 32<br>10%           | 142<br>12%  |
| Interested bystanders    | 159<br>14%  | 8<br>4%    | 71<br>15%  | 80<br>16%  | 66<br>15%                  | 21<br>11%    | 37<br>11%                        | 93<br>18%    | 58<br>14%                              | 64<br>14%  | 118<br>14%      | 41<br>13%           | 146<br>13%  |
| Detached cynics          | 191<br>17%  | 34<br>18%  | 88<br>19%  | 69<br>14%  | 78<br>18%                  | 32<br>17%    | 53<br>16%                        | 95<br>19%    | 66<br>15%                              | 79<br>17%  | 107<br>13%      | 84<br>26%           | 228<br>20%  |
| Politically contented    | 66<br>6%    | 2<br>1%    | 17<br>4%   | 47<br>9%   | 28<br>6%                   | 3<br>1%      | 28<br>8%                         | 23<br>4%     | 24<br>6%                               | 22<br>5%   | 49<br>6%        | 17<br>5%            | 62<br>5%    |
| Bored/apathetic          | 92<br>8%    | 28<br>15%  | 42<br>9%   | 22<br>4%   | 52<br>12%                  | 10<br>5%     | 40<br>12%                        | 36<br>7%     | 49<br>12%                              | 33<br>7%   | 55<br>7%        | 37<br>11%           | 93<br>8%    |
| Disengaged/mistrustful   | 277<br>24%  | 65<br>35%  | 146<br>31% | 66<br>13%  | 71<br>16%                  | 47<br>25%    | 67<br>20%                        | 107<br>21%   | 93<br>22%                              | 115<br>24% | 206<br>25%      | 71<br>21%           | 287<br>25%  |
| Alienated/hostile        | 99<br>9%    | 47<br>25%  | 42<br>9%   | 9<br>2%    | 7<br>2%                    | 31<br>16%    | 6<br>2%                          | 62<br>12%    | 17<br>4%                               | 57<br>12%  | 62<br>8%        | 36<br>11%           | 102<br>9%   |
| Unweighted total         | 1156        | 210        | 463        | 483        | 459                        | 183          | 349                              | 502          | 438                                    | 450        | 762             | 394                 | 1156        |

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|                          | Seat marginality      |                          |                         |             | Segment               |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   | Unwtd total |             |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                          | Less than 5% majority | Marginal (Less than 10%) | Semi marginal (10%-20%) | Safe (>20%) | Politically committed | Active campaigners | Interested bystanders | Detached cynics | Politically contented | Bored/apathetic | Disengaged/mistrustful | Alienated/hostile |             |             |
| <b>Total</b>             | <b>1156</b>           | <b>175</b>               | <b>373</b>              | <b>396</b>  | <b>387</b>            | <b>116</b>         | <b>157</b>            | <b>159</b>      | <b>191</b>            | <b>66</b>       | <b>92</b>              | <b>277</b>        | <b>99</b>   | <b>1156</b> |
| <b>Seat marginality</b>  |                       |                          |                         |             |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   |             |             |
| Less than 5% majority    | <b>175</b>            | 175                      | 175                     | -           | -                     | 24                 | 39                    | 23              | 25                    | 9               | 8                      | 43                | 4           | 163         |
|                          | <b>15%</b>            | 100%                     | 47%                     | -           | -                     | 21%                | 25%                   | 15%             | 13%                   | 14%             | 9%                     | 15%               | 5%          | 14%         |
| Marginal (Less than 10%) | <b>373</b>            | 175                      | 373                     | -           | -                     | 43                 | 73                    | 52              | 58                    | 20              | 23                     | 86                | 17          | 351         |
|                          | <b>32%</b>            | 100%                     | 100%                    | -           | -                     | 37%                | 47%                   | 33%             | 30%                   | 30%             | 25%                    | 31%               | 17%         | 30%         |
| Semi marginal (10%-20%)  | <b>396</b>            | -                        | -                       | 396         | -                     | 44                 | 59                    | 47              | 65                    | 19              | 32                     | 92                | 38          | 386         |
|                          | <b>34%</b>            | -                        | -                       | 100%        | -                     | 38%                | 37%                   | 30%             | 34%                   | 28%             | 35%                    | 33%               | 39%         | 33%         |
| Safe (>20%)              | <b>387</b>            | -                        | -                       | -           | 387                   | 28                 | 25                    | 59              | 68                    | 28              | 36                     | 99                | 44          | 419         |
|                          | <b>33%</b>            | -                        | -                       | -           | 100%                  | 25%                | 16%                   | 37%             | 36%                   | 42%             | 40%                    | 36%               | 45%         | 36%         |
| <b>Segment</b>           |                       |                          |                         |             |                       |                    |                       |                 |                       |                 |                        |                   |             |             |
| Politically committed    | <b>116</b>            | 24                       | 43                      | 44          | 28                    | 116                | -                     | -               | -                     | -               | -                      | -                 | -           | 96          |
|                          | <b>10%</b>            | 14%                      | 12%                     | 11%         | 7%                    | 100%               | -                     | -               | -                     | -               | -                      | -                 | -           | 8%          |
| Active campaigners       | <b>157</b>            | 39                       | 73                      | 59          | 25                    | -                  | 157                   | -               | -                     | -               | -                      | -                 | -           | 142         |
|                          | <b>14%</b>            | 22%                      | 20%                     | 15%         | 6%                    | -                  | 100%                  | -               | -                     | -               | -                      | -                 | -           | 12%         |
| Interested bystanders    | <b>159</b>            | 23                       | 52                      | 47          | 59                    | -                  | -                     | 159             | -                     | -               | -                      | -                 | -           | 146         |
|                          | <b>14%</b>            | 13%                      | 14%                     | 12%         | 15%                   | -                  | -                     | 100%            | -                     | -               | -                      | -                 | -           | 13%         |
| Detached cynics          | <b>191</b>            | 25                       | 58                      | 65          | 68                    | -                  | -                     | -               | 191                   | -               | -                      | -                 | -           | 228         |
|                          | <b>17%</b>            | 14%                      | 16%                     | 16%         | 18%                   | -                  | -                     | -               | 100%                  | -               | -                      | -                 | -           | 20%         |
| Politically contented    | <b>66</b>             | 9                        | 20                      | 19          | 28                    | -                  | -                     | -               | -                     | 66              | -                      | -                 | -           | 62          |
|                          | <b>6%</b>             | 5%                       | 5%                      | 5%          | 7%                    | -                  | -                     | -               | -                     | 100%            | -                      | -                 | -           | 5%          |
| Bored/apathetic          | <b>92</b>             | 8                        | 23                      | 32          | 36                    | -                  | -                     | -               | -                     | -               | 92                     | -                 | -           | 93          |
|                          | <b>8%</b>             | 5%                       | 6%                      | 8%          | 9%                    | -                  | -                     | -               | -                     | -               | 100%                   | -                 | -           | 8%          |
| Disengaged/mistrustful   | <b>277</b>            | 43                       | 86                      | 92          | 99                    | -                  | -                     | -               | -                     | -               | -                      | 277               | -           | 287         |
|                          | <b>24%</b>            | 24%                      | 23%                     | 23%         | 25%                   | -                  | -                     | -               | -                     | -               | -                      | 100%              | -           | 25%         |
| Alienated/hostile        | <b>99</b>             | 4                        | 17                      | 38          | 44                    | -                  | -                     | -               | -                     | -               | -                      | -                 | 99          | 102         |
|                          | <b>9%</b>             | 3%                       | 4%                      | 10%         | 11%                   | -                  | -                     | -               | -                     | -               | -                      | -                 | 100%        | 9%          |
| Unweighted total         | <b>1156</b>           | 163                      | 351                     | 386         | 419                   | 96                 | 142                   | 146             | 228                   | 62              | 93                     | 287               | 102         | 1156        |

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Number of sample points : 210  
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