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## BRITISH SOCIAL ATTITUDES 2014 SELF-COMPLETION QUESTIONNAIRE

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**Q1** There are different opinions as to what it takes to be a good citizen. As far as you are concerned personally on a scale of 1 to 7, where 1 is not at all important and 7 is very important, how important is it...?

	<b>Not at all important</b>							<b>Very important</b>	<b>Can't choose</b>	
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>		
a. ...always to vote in elections	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1035	
b. ...never to try to evade taxes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1036	
c. ...always to obey laws and regulations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1037	
d. ...to keep watch on the actions of government	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1038	
e. ...to be active in social or political associations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1039	
f. ...to try to understand the reasoning of people with other opinions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1040	
g. ...to choose products for political, ethical or environmental reasons, even if they cost a bit more	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1041	
h. ...to help people in Britain who are worse off than yourself	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1042	
i. ...to help people in the rest of the world who are worse off than yourself	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1043	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		

**Q2** There are a number of groups in society.  
What do you think about the following groups holding  
public meetings?

RelMeet

Should religious extremists be allowed to hold public meetings?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

Should definitely be allowed  1

Should probably be allowed  2

Should probably not be allowed  3

Should definitely not be allowed  4

Can't choose  8

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**Q3** Should people who want to overthrow the government by  
force be allowed to hold public meetings?

RevMeet3

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

Should definitely be allowed  1

Should probably be allowed  2

Should probably not be allowed  3

Should definitely not be allowed  4

Can't choose  8

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**Q4** Should people prejudiced against any racial or ethnic  
group be allowed to hold public meetings?

RacMeet2

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

Should definitely be allowed  1

Should probably be allowed  2

Should probably not be allowed  3

Should definitely not be allowed  4

Can't choose  8

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- Q5** Here are some different forms of political and social action that people can take. Please indicate, for each one, whether: you have done any of these things in the past year; you have done it in the more distant past; you have not done it but might do it; or have not done it and would never, under any circumstances, do it.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX  
ON EACH LINE

	Have done it in the past year	Have done it in the more distant past	Have not done it but might do it	Have not done it and would never do it	Can't choose	
a. Signed a petition	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1047
b. Boycotted, or deliberately bought, certain products for political, ethical or environmental reasons	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1048
c. Took part in a demonstration	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1049
d. Attended a political meeting or rally	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1050
e. Contacted, or attempted to contact, a politician or a civil servant to express your views	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1051
f. Donated money or raised funds for a social or political activity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1052
g. Contacted or appeared in the media to express your views	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1053
h. Expressed political views on the internet	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1054
	1	2	3	4	8	

**Q6** How often do you use the media, including television, newspapers, radio and the internet, to get political news or information?

PolMed

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Several times a day  1
- Once a day  2
- 5-6 days a week  3
- 3-4 days a week  4
- 1-2 days a week  5
- Less than 1 day a week  6
- Never  7
- Can't choose  8

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**Q7** On average, about how many people do you have contact with in a typical week day, including people you live with.

PeopCon

We are interested in contact on a one-to-one basis, including everyone with whom you chat, talk, or discuss matters. This can be face-to-face, by telephone, by mail, or on the internet. Please include only people you know.

Please select one from the following categories that best matches your estimate.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- 0-4 persons  1
- 5-9  2
- 10-19  3
- 20-49  4
- 50 or more  5
- Can't choose  8

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- Q8** People sometimes belong to different kinds of groups or associations. For each type of group, please indicate whether you: belong and actively participate; belong but don't actively participate; used to belong but do not any more; or have never belonged to it.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX  
ON EACH LINE

	Belong, actively participate	Belong, don't participate	Used to belong	Never belonged	Can't choose	
a. A political party	<input type="checkbox"/> GrpMemb1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1057
b. A trade union, business, or professional association	<input type="checkbox"/> GrpMemb2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1058
c. A church or other religious organisation	<input type="checkbox"/> GrpMemb3	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1059
d. A sports, leisure or cultural group	<input type="checkbox"/> GrpMemb4	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1060
e. Another voluntary association	<input type="checkbox"/> GrpMemb5	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1061
	1	2	3	4	8	

**Q9** There are different opinions about people's rights in a democracy. On a scale of 1 to 7, where 1 is not at all important and 7 is very important, how important is it...?

	PLEASE TICK <b>ONE</b> BOX ON EACH LINE		Not at all important					Very important	Can't choose	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		
a. ...that all citizens have an adequate standard of living	DemRigh1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1062
b. ...that government authorities respect and protect the rights of minorities	DemRigh2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1063
c. ...that people be given more opportunities to participate in public decision-making	DemRigh5	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1064
d. ...that citizens may engage in acts of civil disobedience when they oppose government actions	DemRigh6	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1065
e. ...that governments respect democratic rights whatever the circumstances	DemRigh7	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1066
f. ...that people convicted of serious crimes lose their citizen rights	DemRigh8	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1067
g. ...that long-term residents of a country, who are not citizens, have the right to vote in that country's national elections	DemRigh9	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1068
h. ...that citizens have the right <u>not</u> to vote	DemRigha	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1069
i. ...that health care be provided for everyone	DemRighb	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1070
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		



**Q10** To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

<i>PLEASE TICK <b>ONE</b> BOX ON EACH LINE</i>	<b>Agree strongly</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Neither agree nor disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree strongly</b>	<b>Can't choose</b>	
a. People like me don't have any say about what the government does	GovNoSa2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1071
b. I don't think the government cares much what people like me think	GovNoCar	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1072
c. I feel I have a pretty good understanding of the important political issues facing Britain	PolUndst	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1073
d. I think most people in Britain are better informed about politics and government than I am	InfPoli2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1074
	1	2	3	4	5	8	

**Q11a** Suppose a law were being considered by parliament that you considered to be unjust or harmful.

If such a case arose, how likely is it that you, acting alone or together with others, would be able to try to do something about it?

*PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY*

(✓)

Very likely	<input type="checkbox"/>	1
Fairly likely	<input type="checkbox"/>	2
Not very likely	<input type="checkbox"/>	3
Not at all likely	<input type="checkbox"/>	4
Can't choose	<input type="checkbox"/>	8

**Q11b** If you made such an effort, how likely is it that parliament would give serious attention to your demands?

*PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY*

(✓)

Very likely	<input type="checkbox"/>	1
Fairly likely	<input type="checkbox"/>	2
Not very likely	<input type="checkbox"/>	3
Not at all likely	<input type="checkbox"/>	4
Can't choose	<input type="checkbox"/>	8

**Q12** How interested would you say you personally are in politics?

PolitSC

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

- Very interested  1
- Fairly interested  2
- Not very interested  3
- Not at all interested  4
- Can't choose  8

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**Q13** In politics people sometimes talk of left and right. Where would you place yourself on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means the left and 10 means the right?

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TICK  
**ONE**  
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Left Right Can't choose  
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 98

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0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 98

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**Q14** To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX  
ON EACH LINE

Agree strongly Agree Neither agree nor disagree Disagree Disagree strongly Can't choose

a. Most of the time we can trust people in government to do what is right

GovRight

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b. Most politicians are in politics only for what they can get out of it personally

GovSelf

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1 2 3 4 5 8

Q15

How often do you think that people would try to take advantage of you if they got the chance, and how often would they try to be fair?

PeopAdvt

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

Try to take advantage almost all of the time  1Try to take advantage most of the time  2Try to be fair most of the time  3Try to be fair almost all of the time  4Can't choose  8

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Q16

Generally speaking, would you say that people can be trusted or that you can't be too careful in dealing with people?

PeopTrst

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

People can almost always be trusted  1People can usually be trusted  2You usually can't be too careful in dealing with people  3You almost always can't be too careful in dealing with people  4Can't choose  8

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Q17

When you get together with your friends, relatives or fellow workers, how often do you discuss politics?

PolTalk

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

Often  1Sometimes  2Rarely  3Never  4Can't choose  8

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**Q18** When you hold a strong opinion about politics, how often do you try to persuade your friends, relatives or fellow workers to share your views?

PolInfl

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Often  1
- Sometimes  2
- Rarely  3
- Never  4
- Can't choose  8

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**Q19** Thinking now about politics in Britain, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX  
ON EACH LINE

	Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	Can't choose	
a. Political parties encourage people to become active in politics	PolPar1 <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1086
b. Political parties do not give voters real policy choices	PolPar2 <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1087
c. Referendums are a good way to decide important political questions	PolPar3 <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1088
	1	2	3	4	5	8	

**Q20** Thinking of the last national election in Britain, how honest was it regarding the counting and reporting of the votes?

HonElec

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Very honest  1
- Somewhat honest  2
- Neither honest nor dishonest  3
- Somewhat dishonest  4
- Very dishonest  5
- Can't choose  8

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Q21

Thinking of the last national election in Britain, how fair was it regarding the opportunities of the candidates and parties to campaign?

FairElec

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

Very fair  1Somewhat fair  2Neither fair nor unfair  3Somewhat unfair  4Very unfair  5Can't choose  8

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Q22

Thinking of the civil service in Britain, how committed is it to serve the people?

CivSer1a

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

Very committed  1Somewhat committed  2Not very committed  3Not at all committed  4Can't choose  8

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Q23

How widespread do you think corruption is in the civil service in Britain?

CivSer3

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

Hardly anyone is involved  1A small number of people are involved  2A moderate number of people are involved  3A lot of people are involved  4Almost everyone is involved  5Can't choose  8

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**Q24** On the whole, on a scale of 0 to 10 where 0 is very poorly and 10 is very well.

<i>PLEASE TICK ONE BOX</i>	<b>Very Poorly</b>										<b>Very Well</b>	<b>Can't choose</b>
<i>ON EACH LINE</i>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>98</b>
a. How well does democracy work in Britain today?	DemoNow <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. And what about 10 years ago? How well did democracy work in Britain then?	Demo10Yr <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. And how about 10 years from now? How well do you think democracy will work in Britain then?	DemoFut <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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**Q25** On average, how often do you...?

<i>PLEASE TICK ONE BOX</i>	<b>Several times a day</b>	<b>Once a day</b>	<b>5-6 days a week</b>	<b>3-4 days a week</b>	<b>1-2 days a week</b>	<b>Less than 1 day a week</b>	<b>Never</b>	<b>Can't choose</b>
<i>ON EACH LINE</i>								
a. ...read the political content of a newspaper	PolPap <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. ...watch political news on television	PolTele <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. ...listen to political news on the radio	PolRad <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. ...use the Internet to get political news or information	PolNet <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

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**Q26** To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the current benefit system?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX  
ON EACH LINE

	Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	Can't choose	
a. It supports people in low-paid work	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BnLowP	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1110
b. It effectively encourages recipients to move off benefits	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BnMove	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1111
	1	2	3	4	5	8	

**Q27** Please tick one box to show how much you agree or disagree with each statement.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX  
ON EACH LINE

	Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	Can't choose	
a. Sometimes pensions seem so complicated that a person like me cannot really understand the best thing to do	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PenComp	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1112
b. Older people should be encouraged to retire earlier to reduce unemployment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EarlyRet	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1113
	1	2	3	4	5	8	

**Q28** Please tick one box for each statement to show how much you agree or disagree with it.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX  
ON EACH LINE

	Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	Can't choose	
a. Credit makes it easier for people to plan their finances	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CREDPLAN	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1114
b. It should be made much harder to borrow money even if this means that more people can't get credit	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BOROARD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1115
	1	2	3	4	5	8	





**Q32** How many journeys of less than two miles do you make by car in a typical week?

Shrtjrn

**PLEASE WRITE IN:**

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Or tick here if you never travel by car

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**Q33** Now some questions about air travel.  
Please tick one box for each statement to show  
how much you agree or disagree.

**PLEASE TICK ONE BOX  
ON EACH LINE**

	Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	Can't choose
a. People should be able to travel by plane as much as they like	<input type="checkbox"/> Pnallow	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. People should be able to travel by plane as much as they like, even if new terminals or runways are needed to meet the demand	<input type="checkbox"/> Pnterm	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. People should be able to travel by plane as much as they like, even if this harms the environment	<input type="checkbox"/> Pnenvt	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. The price of a plane ticket should reflect the environmental damage that flying causes, even if this makes air travel much more expensive	<input type="checkbox"/> Pnuppri	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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**Q34** Please tick one box for each of these statements to show how much you agree or disagree.

<i>PLEASE TICK <b>ONE</b> BOX ON EACH LINE</i>		<b>Agree strongly</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Neither agree nor disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree strongly</b>	<b>Can't choose</b>	
a.	For the sake of the environment, car users should pay higher taxes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cartaxhi	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1129
b.	People should be allowed to use their cars as much as they like, even if it causes damage to the environment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carallow	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1130
c.	For the sake of the environment everyone should reduce how much they use their cars	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carreduc	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1131
d.	There is no point in reducing my car use to help the environment unless others do the same	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carnod2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1132
e.	People who drive cars that are better for the environment should pay less to use the roads than people whose cars are more harmful to the environment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carenvdc	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1133
		1	2	3	4	5	8	SPARE

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**Q35** Thinking now about where you live, please say how much you agree or disagree with the following statements...

<i>PLEASE TICK <b>ONE</b> BOX ON EACH LINE</i>		<b>Agree strongly</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Neither agree nor disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree strongly</b>	<b>Can't choose</b>	
a.	A university education is affordable for all young people regardless of their family background	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UniAff	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1148
b.	A university qualification opens up better career opportunities for people whose parents did not go to university	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UniCar	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1149
c.	Student debt is a worry for students and their families	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UnDWry	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1150
		1	2	3	4	5	8	

- Q36** Thinking now of people who didn't go to university when they left school. How important is it to give them financial help to go to university if they want to do so later in life?

UniMatur

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Very important  1
- Fairly important  2
- Not very important  3
- Not at all important  4
- Can't choose  5

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- Q37** How important or unimportant do you think it is for people in Britain that ...

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX  
ON EACH LINE

- |   | Very<br>important                 | Fairly<br>important      | Not very<br>important    | Not at all<br>important  | Can't<br>choose          |      |
|---|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------|
| a. ...they are free to get jobs in any other EU countries?  | <input type="checkbox"/> Euimpor1 | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 1152 |
| b. ...they are able to take their cases to the European Court of Justice, which can override decisions of British courts? | <input type="checkbox"/> Euimpor2 | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 1153 |
| c. ...Britain is able to sell its goods anywhere else in the EU without paying customs duties?                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Euimpor3 | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 1154 |
|   | 1                                 | 2                        | 3                        | 4                        | 8                        |      |

- Q38** Which of these two statements comes closer to your views?

Longweek

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Workers in Britain should have the same protection as other EU workers against being made to work very long hours  1
- The EU has no business deciding how many hours a week workers in Britain should work  2
- Can't choose  8

1155

**Q39** Listed below are some of Britain's institutions. From what you know or have heard about each one, can you say whether, on the whole, you think it is well run or not well run?

*PLEASE TICK ONE BOX  
ON EACH LINE*

	<b>Very well run</b>	<b>Well run</b>	<b>Not very well run</b>	<b>Not at all well run</b>	<b>Can't choose</b>	
a. The National Health Service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nhsrun2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1156
b. The press	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pressrn2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1157
c. Banks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bankrun2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1158
d. The trade unions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unionrn2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1159
e. The BBC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bbcrun2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1160
f. The police	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Policrn2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1161
	1	2	3	4	8	SPARE 1162- 1164

**Q40** Please tick one box to show how much you agree or disagree with the following statement.

*PLEASE TICK ONE  
BOX ON EACH LINE*

	<b>Agree strongly</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Neither agree nor disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree strongly</b>	<b>Can't choose</b>	
a. Gay or lesbian couples should have the right to marry one another if they want to	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GMLMarry	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1165
	1	2	3	4	5	8	

**Q41** Please tick one box for each statement to show how much you agree or disagree with it.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX  
ON EACH LINE

	Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	
a. The welfare state encourages people to stop helping each other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WelfHelp	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1166
b. The government should spend more money on welfare benefits for the poor, even if it leads to higher taxes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MoreWelf	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1167
c. Around here, most unemployed people could find a job if they really wanted one	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UnempJob	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1168
d. Many people who get social security don't really deserve any help	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SocHelp	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1169
e. Most people on the dole are fiddling in one way or another	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DoleFidl	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1170
f. If welfare benefits weren't so generous, people would learn to stand on their own two feet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WelfFeet	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1171
g. Cutting welfare benefits would damage too many people's lives	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DamLives	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1172
h. The creation of the welfare state is one of Britain's proudest achievements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ProudWif	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1173
	1	2	3	4	5	

**Q42** Please tick one box for each statement to show how much you agree or disagree with it.

*PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX  
ON EACH LINE*

	Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	
a. Government should redistribute income from the better-off to those who are less well off	Redistrib	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1174
b. Big business benefits owners at the expense of workers	BigBusnN	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1175
c. Ordinary working people do not get their fair share of the nation's wealth	Wealth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1176
d. There is one law for the rich and one for the poor	RichLaw	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1177
e. Management will always try to get the better of employees if it gets the chance	Indust4	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1178
	1	2	3	4	5	

**Q43** Please tick one box for each statement to show how much you agree or disagree with it.

*PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX  
ON EACH LINE*

	Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	
a. Young people today don't have enough respect for traditional British values	TradVals	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1179
b. People who break the law should be given stiffer sentences	StifSent	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1180
c. For some crimes, the death penalty is the most appropriate sentence	DeathApp	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1181
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e. The law should always be obeyed, even if a particular law is wrong	WrongLaw	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1183
f. Censorship of films and magazines is necessary to uphold moral standards	Censor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1184
	1	2	3	4	5	

Q44

a. To help us plan better in future, please tell us about how long it took you to complete this questionnaire.

Qtime

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

Less than 15 minutes  1

Between 15 and 20 minutes  2

Between 21 and 30 minutes  3

Between 31 and 45 minutes  4

Between 46 and 60 minutes  5

Over one hour  6

b. And on what date did you fill in the questionnaire?

Qdate

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(Date          Month)

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Q45

And lastly just a few details about yourself.

RSexChck

a. Are you ....

(✓)

Male  1

Female  2

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b. What was your age last birthday?

RAgeChck

Please write in

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years

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**IF YOU HAVE ANY OTHER COMMENTS YOU WISH TO MAKE,  
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**THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR HELP**

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**Q1** To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the current benefit system?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX  
ON EACH LINE

	Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	Can't choose	
a. It supports people in low-paid work	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BnLowP	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1110
b. It effectively encourages recipients to move off benefits	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BnMove	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1111
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**Q2** Please tick one box to show how much you agree or disagree with these statements.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX  
ON EACH LINE

	Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	Can't choose	
a. Sometimes pensions seem so complicated that a person like me cannot really understand the best thing to do	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PenComp	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1112
b. Older people should be encouraged to retire earlier to reduce unemployment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EarlyRet	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1113
	1	2	3	4	5	8	

**Q3** Please tick one box for each statement to show how much you agree or disagree with it.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX  
ON EACH LINE

	Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	Can't choose	
a. Credit makes it easier for people to plan their finances	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CREDPLAN	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1114
b. It should be made much harder to borrow money even if this means that more people can't get credit	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BOROHARD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1115
	1	2	3	4	5	8	

**Q4** Please tick one box for each statement to show how much you agree or disagree with it.

<i>PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ON EACH LINE</i>		Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	Can't choose	
a.	These days, there is little difference socially between being married and living together as a couple	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MARVIE16	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1116
b.	People who want children ought to get married	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MARVIEW6	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1117
		1	2	3	4	5	8	

**Q5** Here are some things that could be done about traffic in residential streets that are not main roads. Please tick one box for each to show whether you would be in favour or not in favour.

<i>PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ON EACH LINE</i>		Strongly in favour	In favour	Neither in favour nor against	Against	Strongly against	Can't choose	
a.	Closing residential streets to through traffic	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resclose	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1134
b.	Having speed limits of 20 miles per hour in residential streets	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Res20mph	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1135
c.	Having speed bumps to slow down traffic in residential streets	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resbumps	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1136
		1	2	3	4	5	8	

**Q6** Please tick one box for each of these statements to show how much you agree or disagree

<i>PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ON EACH LINE</i>		Agree Strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree Strongly	Can't choose	
a.	If someone has drunk any alcohol they should not drive	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ddnodrv	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1137
b.	Most people don't know how much alcohol they can drink before being over the legal drink-drive limit	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ddnklmt	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1138
		1	2	3	4	5	8	

Q7

Thinking now about where you live, please say how much you agree or disagree with the following statements...

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX  
ON EACH LINE

	Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	Can't choose
a. A university education is affordable for all young people regardless of their family background	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UniAff	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. A university qualification opens up better career opportunities for people whose parents did not go to university	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UniCar	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Student debt is a worry for students and their families	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UnDWry	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	1	2	3	4	5	8

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Q8

Thinking now of people who didn't go to university when they left school. How important is it to give them financial help to go to university if they want to do so later in life?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

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(✓)

Very important  1

Fairly important  2

Not very important  3

Not at all important  4

Can't choose  5

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**Q9** Listed below are some of Britain's institutions. From what you know or have heard about each one, can you say whether, on the whole, you think it is well run or not well run?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX  
ON EACH LINE

	Very well run	Well run	Not very well run	Not at all well run	Can't choose	
a. The National Health Service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nhsrun2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1156
b. The press	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pressrn2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1157
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e. The BBC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bbcrun2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1160
f. The police	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Policrn2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1161
	1	2	3	4	8	SPARE 1162- 1164

**Q10** Please tick one box to show how much you agree or disagree with the following statement.

GMLMarry

PLEASE TICK **ONE**  
BOX ON EACH LINE

	Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	Can't choose	
a. Gay or lesbian couples should have the right to marry one another if they want to	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1165
	1	2	3	4	5	8	

**Q11** Please tick one box for each statement to show how much you agree or disagree with it.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX  
ON EACH LINE

	Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	
a. The welfare state encourages people to stop helping each other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WelfHelp	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1166
b. The government should spend more money on welfare benefits for the poor, even if it leads to higher taxes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MoreWelf	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1167
c. Around here, most unemployed people could find a job if they really wanted one	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UnempJob	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1168
d. Many people who get social security don't really deserve any help	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SocHelp	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1169
e. Most people on the dole are fiddling in one way or another	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DoleFidl	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1170
f. If welfare benefits weren't so generous, people would learn to stand on their own two feet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WelfFeet	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1171
g. Cutting welfare benefits would damage too many people's lives	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DamLives	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1172
h. The creation of the welfare state is one of Britain's proudest achievements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ProudWif	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1173
	1	2	3	4	5	

**Q12** Please tick one box for each statement to show how much you agree or disagree with it.

*PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX  
ON EACH LINE*

	Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	
a. Government should redistribute income from the better-off to those who are less well off	Redistrib	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1174
b. Big business benefits owners at the expense of workers	BigBusnN	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1175
c. Ordinary working people do not get their fair share of the nation's wealth	Wealth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1176
d. There is one law for the rich and one for the poor	RichLaw	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1177
e. Management will always try to get the better of employees if it gets the chance	Indust4	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1178
	1	2	3	4	5	

**Q13** Please tick one box for each statement to show how much you agree or disagree with it.

*PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX  
ON EACH LINE*

	Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	
a. Young people today don't have enough respect for traditional British values	TradVals	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1179
b. People who break the law should be given stiffer sentences	StifSent	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1180
c. For some crimes, the death penalty is the most appropriate sentence	DeathApp	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1181
d. Schools should teach children to obey authority	Obey	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1182
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**Q14**

a. To help us plan better in future, please tell us about how long it took you to complete this questionnaire.

Qtime

*PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ONLY*

(✓)

Less than 15 minutes  1

Between 15 and 20 minutes  2

Between 21 and 30 minutes  3

Between 31 and 45 minutes  4

Between 46 and 60 minutes  5

Over one hour  6

b. And on what date did you fill in the questionnaire?

Qdate

/

(Date      Month)

**Q15**

And lastly just a few details about yourself.

RSexChck

a. Are you ....

(✓)

Male  1

Female  2

b. What was your age last birthday?

RAgeChck

Please write in

years

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**Q1** There are different opinions as to what it takes to be a good citizen. As far as you are concerned personally on a scale of 1 to 7, where 1 is not at all important and 7 is very important, how important is it...?

	<b>PLEASE TICK <i>ONE</i> BOX ON EACH LINE</b>							<b>Very important</b>	<b>Can't choose</b>	
	<b>Not at all important</b>									
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>		
a. ...always to vote in elections	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CitDuty1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1035	
b. ...never to try to evade taxes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CitDuty2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1036	
c. ...always to obey laws and regulations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CitDuty3	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1037	
d. ...to keep watch on the actions of government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CitDuty4	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1038	
e. ...to be active in social or political associations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CitDuty5	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1039	
f. ...to try to understand the reasoning of people with other opinions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CitDuty6	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1040	
g. ...to choose products for political, ethical or environmental reasons, even if they cost a bit more	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CitDuty7	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1041	
h. ...to help people in Britain who are worse off than yourself	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CitDuty8	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1042	
i. ...to help people in the rest of the world who are worse off than yourself	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CitDuty9	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1043	
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Q2

There are a number of groups in society.  
What do you think about the following groups holding  
public meetings?

RelMeet

Should religious extremists be allowed to hold public  
meetings?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

Should definitely be allowed  1Should probably be allowed  2Should probably not be allowed  3Should definitely not be allowed  4Can't choose  8

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Q3

Should people who want to overthrow the government by  
force be allowed to hold public meetings?

RevMeet3

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

Should definitely be allowed  1Should probably be allowed  2Should probably not be allowed  3Should definitely not be allowed  4Can't choose  8

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Q4

Should people prejudiced against any racial or ethnic  
group be allowed to hold public meetings?

RacMeet2

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

Should definitely be allowed  1Should probably be allowed  2Should probably not be allowed  3Should definitely not be allowed  4Can't choose  8

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- Q5** Here are some different forms of political and social action that people can take. Please indicate, for each one, whether: you have done any of these things in the past year; you have done it in the more distant past; you have not done it but might do it; or have not done it and would never, under any circumstances, do it.

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ON EACH LINE

	Have done it in the past year	Have done it in the more distant past	Have not done it but might do it	Have not done it and would never do it	Can't choose	
a. Signed a petition	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1047
b. Boycotted, or deliberately bought, certain products for political, ethical or environmental reasons	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1048
c. Took part in a demonstration	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1049
d. Attended a political meeting or rally	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1050
e. Contacted, or attempted to contact, a politician or a civil servant to express your views	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1051
f. Donated money or raised funds for a social or political activity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1052
g. Contacted or appeared in the media to express your views	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1053
h. Expressed political views on the internet	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1054
	1	2	3	4	8	

**Q6** How often do you use the media, including television, newspapers, radio and the internet, to get political news or information?

PolMed

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Several times a day  1
- Once a day  2
- 5-6 days a week  3
- 3-4 days a week  4
- 1-2 days a week  5
- Less than 1 day a week  6
- Never  7
- Can't choose  8

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**Q7** On average, about how many people do you have contact with in a typical week day, including people you live with.

PeopCon

We are interested in contact on a one-to-one basis, including everyone with whom you chat, talk, or discuss matters. This can be face-to-face, by telephone, by mail, or on the internet. Please include only people you know.

Please select one from the following categories that best matches your estimate.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- 0-4 persons  1
- 5-9  2
- 10-19  3
- 20-49  4
- 50 or more  5
- Can't choose  8

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- Q8** People sometimes belong to different kinds of groups or associations. For each type of group, please indicate whether you: belong and actively participate; belong but don't actively participate; used to belong but do not any more; or have never belonged to it .

*PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX  
ON EACH LINE*

	<b>Belong, actively participate</b>	<b>Belong, don't participate</b>	<b>Used to belong</b>	<b>Never belonged</b>	<b>Can't choose</b>	
a. A political party	<input type="checkbox"/> GrpMemb1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1057
b. A trade union, business, or professional association	<input type="checkbox"/> GrpMemb2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1058
c. A church or other religious organisation	<input type="checkbox"/> GrpMemb3	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1059
d. A sports, leisure or cultural group	<input type="checkbox"/> GrpMemb4	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1060
e. Another voluntary association	<input type="checkbox"/> GrpMemb5	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1061
	1	2	3	4	8	

**Q9** There are different opinions about people's rights in a democracy. On a scale of 1 to 7, where 1 is not at all important and 7 is very important, how important is it...?

	PLEASE TICK <b>ONE</b> BOX ON EACH LINE								1062
	Not at all important						Very important	Can't choose	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
a. ...that all citizens have an adequate standard of living	DemRigh1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1062
b. ...that government authorities respect and protect the rights of minorities	DemRigh2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1063
c. ...that people be given more opportunities to participate in public decision-making	DemRigh5	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1064
d. ...that citizens may engage in acts of civil disobedience when they oppose government actions	DemRigh6	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1065
e. ...that governments respect democratic rights whatever the circumstances	DemRigh7	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1066
f. ...that people convicted of serious crimes lose their citizen rights	DemRigh8	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1067
g. ...that long-term residents of a country, who are not citizens, have the right to vote in that country's national elections	DemRigh9	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1068
h. ...that citizens have the right <u>not</u> to vote	DemRigha	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1069
i. ...that health care be provided for everyone	DemRighb	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1070
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	



**Q10** To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

<i>PLEASE TICK <b>ONE</b> BOX ON EACH LINE</i>		<b>Agree strongly</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Neither agree nor disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree strongly</b>	<b>Can't choose</b>	
a.	People like me don't have any say about what the government does	GovNoSa2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1071
b.	I don't think the government cares much what people like me think	GovNoCar	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1072
c.	I feel I have a pretty good understanding of the important political issues facing Britain	PolUndst	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1073
d.	I think most people in Britain are better informed about politics and government than I am	InfPoli2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1074
			1	2	3	4	5	8

**Q11a** Suppose a law were being considered by parliament that you considered to be unjust or harmful.

ProtGrp

If such a case arose, how likely is it that you, acting alone or together with others, would be able to try to do something about it?

*PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY*

(✓)

Very likely  1

Fairly likely  2

Not very likely  3

Not at all likely  4

Can't choose  8

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**Q11b** If you made such an effort, how likely is it that parliament would give serious attention to your demands?

ProtAttn

*PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY*

(✓)

Very likely  1

Fairly likely  2

Not very likely  3

Not at all likely  4

Can't choose  8

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**Q12** How interested would you say you personally are in politics?

PolitSC

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

- Very interested  1
- Fairly interested  2
- Not very interested  3
- Not at all interested  4
- Can't choose  8

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**Q13** In politics people sometimes talk of left and right. Where would you place yourself on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means the left and 10 means the right?

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**ONE**  
BOX  
ONLY

Left **0** **1** **2** **3** **4** **5** **6** **7** **8** **9** **10** Right **Can't choose 98**

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0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 98

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**Q14** To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

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ON EACH LINE

Agree Strongly Agree Neither agree nor disagree Disagree Disagree strongly Can't choose

a. Most of the time we can trust people in government to do what is right

GovRight

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b. Most politicians are in politics only for what they can get out of it personally

GovSelf

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**Q15** How often do you think that people would try to take advantage of you if they got the chance, and how often would they try to be fair?

PeopAdvt

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

Try to take advantage almost all of the time  1Try to take advantage most of the time  2Try to be fair most of the time  3Try to be fair almost all of the time  4Can't choose  8

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**Q16** Generally speaking, would you say that people can be trusted or that you can't be too careful in dealing with people?

PeopTrst

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

People can almost always be trusted  1People can usually be trusted  2You usually can't be too careful in dealing with people  3You almost always can't be too careful in dealing with people  4Can't choose  8

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**Q17** When you get together with your friends, relatives or fellow workers, how often do you discuss politics?

PolTalk

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

Often  1Sometimes  2Rarely  3Never  4Can't choose  8

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**Q18** When you hold a strong opinion about politics, how often do you try to persuade your friends, relatives or fellow workers to share your views?

PolInfl

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Often  1
- Sometimes  2
- Rarely  3
- Never  4
- Can't choose  8

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**Q19** Thinking now about politics in Britain, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX  
ON EACH LINE

	Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	Can't choose
a. Political parties encourage people to become active in politics	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Political parties do not give voters real policy choices	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Referendums are a good way to decide important political questions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	1	2	3	4	5	8

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**Q20** Thinking of the last national election in Britain, how honest was it regarding the counting and reporting of the votes?

HonElec

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Very honest  1
- Somewhat honest  2
- Neither honest nor dishonest  3
- Somewhat dishonest  4
- Very dishonest  5
- Can't choose  8

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Q21

Thinking of the last national election in Britain, how fair was it regarding the opportunities of the candidates and parties to campaign?

FairElec

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

Very fair  1Somewhat fair  2Neither fair nor unfair  3Somewhat unfair  4Very unfair  5Can't choose  8

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Q22

Thinking of the civil service in Britain, how committed is it to serve the people?

CivSer1a

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

Very committed  1Somewhat committed  2Not very committed  3Not at all committed  4Can't choose  8

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Q23

How widespread do you think corruption is in the civil service in Britain?

CivSer3

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

Hardly anyone is involved  1A small number of people are involved  2A moderate number of people are involved  3A lot of people are involved  4Almost everyone is involved  5Can't choose  8

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**Q24** On the whole, on a scale of 0 to 10 where 0 is very poorly and 10 is very well.

PLEASE TICK <b>ONE</b> BOX ON EACH LINE	Very Poorly										Very Well	Can't choose
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98
a. How well does democracy work in Britain today?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DemoNow	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. And what about 10 years ago? How well did democracy work in Britain then?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Demo10Yr	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. And how about 10 years from now? How well do you think democracy will work in Britain then?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DemoFut	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98

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**Q25** On average, how often do you...?

PLEASE TICK <b>ONE</b> BOX ON EACH LINE	Several times a day	Once a day	5-6 days a week	3-4 days a week	1-2 days a week	Less than 1 day a week	Never	Can't choose
a. ...read the political content of a newspaper	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PolPap	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. ...watch political news on television	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PolTele	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. ...listen to political news on the radio	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PolRad	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. ...use the Internet to get political news or information	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PolNet	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

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**Q26** To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the current benefit system?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX  
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	Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	Can't choose	
a. It supports people in low-paid work	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BnLowP	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1110
b. It effectively encourages recipients to move off benefits	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BnMove	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1111
	1	2	3	4	5	8	

**Q27** Please tick one box to show how much you agree or disagree with these statements.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX  
ON EACH LINE

	Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	Can't choose	
a. Sometimes pensions seem so complicated that a person like me cannot really understand the best thing to do	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PenComp	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1112
b. Older people should be encouraged to retire earlier to reduce unemployment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EarlyRet	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1113
	1	2	3	4	5	8	

**Q28** Please tick one box for each statement to show how much you agree or disagree with it.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX  
ON EACH LINE

	Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	Can't choose	
a. Credit makes it easier for people to plan their finances	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CREDPLAN	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1114
b. It should be made much harder to borrow money even if this means that more people can't get credit	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BOROARD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1115
	1	2	3	4	5	8	

**Q29** Please tick one box for each statement to show how much you agree or disagree with it.

<i>PLEASE TICK <b>ONE</b> BOX ON EACH LINE</i>	<b>Agree strongly</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Neither agree nor disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree strongly</b>	<b>Can't choose</b>	
a. These days, there is little difference socially between being married and living together as a couple	MARVIE16 <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1116
d. People who want children ought to get married	MARVIEW6 <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1117
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**Q30** Please tick one box for each of these statements to show how much you agree or disagree

<i>PLEASE TICK <b>ONE</b> BOX ON EACH LINE</i>	<b>Agree Strongly</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Neither agree nor disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree strongly</b>	<b>Can't choose</b>	
a. Speed cameras save lives	Specamsl <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1139
b. Speed cameras are mostly there to make money	Specammo <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1140
c. There are too many speed cameras	Specamtm <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1141
d. People should drive within the speed limit	Speedlim <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1142
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**Q31** **Average speed cameras** measure speed based on the time taken to travel a distance between two camera sites. **Fixed speed cameras** measure speed at a single site.

<i>PLEASE TICK <b>ONE</b> BOX TO SHOW HOW MUCH YOU AGREE OR DISAGREE</i>	<b>Agree Strongly</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Neither agree nor disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree strongly</b>	<b>Can't choose</b>	
Average speed cameras are preferable to fixed speed cameras	Speavesc <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1143
	1	2	3	4	5	8	



**Q32** Please tick one box for each of these statements to show how much you agree or disagree

<i>PLEASE TICK <b>ONE</b> BOX ON EACH LINE</i>		<b>Agree Strongly</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Neither agree nor disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree strongly</b>	<b>Can't choose</b>	
a.	It is perfectly safe to talk on a hand-held mobile phone while driving	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mobdsafe	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1144
b.	All use of mobile phones while driving, including hands-free kits is dangerous	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mobddang	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1145
c.	All use of mobile phones while driving, including hands-free kits should be banned	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mobdban	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1146
d.	The law on using mobile phones whilst driving is not properly enforced	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mobdlaw	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1147
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**Q33** Listed below are some types of organisation. From what you know or have heard about each one, can you say whether, on the whole, you think it is well run or not well run?

<i>PLEASE TICK <b>ONE</b> BOX ON EACH LINE</i>		<b>Very well run</b>	<b>Well run</b>	<b>Not very well run</b>	<b>Not at all well run</b>	<b>Can't choose</b>	
a.	Energy companies	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enerun	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1162
b.	Pension providers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Penrun	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1163
c.	Charities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charun	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1164
		1	2	3	4	8	

**Q34** Please tick one box to show how much you agree or disagree with the following statement.

<i>PLEASE TICK <b>ONE</b> BOX ON EACH LINE</i>		<b>Agree strongly</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Neither agree nor disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree strongly</b>	<b>Can't choose</b>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GMLMarry	a. Gay or lesbian couples should have the right to marry one another if they want to	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1165
		1	2	3	4	5	8	

**Q35** Please tick one box for each statement to show how much you agree or disagree with it.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX  
ON EACH LINE

	Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	
a. The welfare state encourages people to stop helping each other	WelfHelp	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1166
b. The government should spend more money on welfare benefits for the poor, even if it leads to higher taxes	MoreWelf	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1167
c. Around here, most unemployed people could find a job if they really wanted one	UnempJob	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1168
d. Many people who get social security don't really deserve any help	SocHelp	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1169
e. Most people on the dole are fiddling in one way or another	DoleFidl	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1170
f. If welfare benefits weren't so generous, people would learn to stand on their own two feet	WelfFeet	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1171
g. Cutting welfare benefits would damage too many people's lives	DamLives	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1172
h. The creation of the welfare state is one of Britain's proudest achievements	ProudWlf	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1173
		1	2	3	4	5

**Q36** Please tick one box for each statement to show how much you agree or disagree with it.

*PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX  
ON EACH LINE*

	Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	
a. Government should redistribute income from the better-off to those who are less well off	Redistrib	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1174
b. Big business benefits owners at the expense of workers	BigBusnN	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1175
c. Ordinary working people do not get their fair share of the nation's wealth	Wealth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1176
d. There is one law for the rich and one for the poor	RichLaw	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1177
e. Management will always try to get the better of employees if it gets the chance	Indust4	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1178
	1	2	3	4	5	

**Q37** Please tick one box for each statement to show how much you agree or disagree with it.

*PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX  
ON EACH LINE*

	Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	
a. Young people today don't have enough respect for traditional British values	TradVals	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1179
b. People who break the law should be given stiffer sentences	StifSent	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1180
c. For some crimes, the death penalty is the most appropriate sentence	DeathApp	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1181
d. Schools should teach children to obey authority	Obey	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1182
e. The law should always be obeyed, even if a particular law is wrong	WrongLaw	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1183
f. Censorship of films and magazines is necessary to uphold moral standards	Censor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1184
	1	2	3	4	5	

**Q38**

a. To help us plan better in future, please tell us about how long it took you to complete this questionnaire.

Qtime

**PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ONLY**

(✓)

Less than 15 minutes  1

Between 15 and 20 minutes  2

Between 21 and 30 minutes  3

Between 31 and 45 minutes  4

Between 46 and 60 minutes  5

Over one hour  6

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b. And on what date did you fill in the questionnaire?

Qdate

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(Date      Month)

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**Q39**

And lastly just a few details about yourself.

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a. Are you ....

(✓)

Male  1

Female  2

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b. What was your age last birthday?

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Please write in

years

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**IF YOU HAVE ANY OTHER COMMENTS YOU WISH TO MAKE,  
PLEASE USE THIS SPACE:**

**Thank you very much for your help**

Please keep the completed questionnaire for the interviewer if he or she has arranged to call for it. Otherwise, please post it as soon as possible in the pre-paid envelope provided.



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