

YouGov Survey Results

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Fieldwork: 17th - 18th November 2014

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	Total	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	UKIP	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Male	Female	18-24	25-39	40-59	60+	ABC1	C2DE	London	Rest of South	Midlands / Wales	North	Scotland
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have spent their lives saving up		_				_			_		_				_						
Strongly disagree	9	6	13	19	5	4	15	11	13	6	16	8	8	9	10	9	13	8	8	9	15
Somewhat disagree	10	3	18	12	5	5	14	14	12	7	12	11	10	8	11	8	12	8	8	12	11
TOTAL DISAGREE	19	9	31	31	10	9	29	25	25	13	28	19	18	17	21	17	25	16	16	21	26
Neither agree nor disagree	11	9	13	9	7	9	14	7	10	11	8	13	11	8	10	11	12	9	11	12	10
Somewhat agree	22	23	24	29	13	22	22	29	20	24	18	19	25	24	22	23	17	20	27	22	25
Strongly agree	43	58	27	29	68	58	28	38	40	47	35	45	41	48	44	42	44	50	42	39	35
TOTAL AGREE	65	81	51	58	81	80	50	67	60	71	53	64	66	72	66	65	61	70	69	61	60
Don't know/Not applicable	5	1	6	2	2	3	7	2	4	5	11	3	4	4	3	7	3	5	5	6	4
This is easy for the Government to do as very few people will																					
be affected		_				_			_		_				_						
Strongly disagree	5	4	6	8	5	4	6	4	6	3	6	6	4	3	5	5	6	5	5	3	4
Somewhat disagree	11	14	9	18	10	12	11	12	12	11	18	12	8	11	14	8	11	11	10	11	15
TOTAL DISAGREE	16	18	15	26	15	16	17	16	18	14	24	18	12	14	19	13	17	16	15	14	19
Neither agree nor disagree	21	25	20	14	17	25	19	20	22	21	18	23	23	19	22	21	25	20	23	21	17
Somewhat agree	30	33	32	27	24	31	28	33	30	30	26	31	30	31	33	27	28	33	27	29	33
Strongly agree	25	20	26	25	38	21	29	25	24	26	14	21	27	30	22	29	24	22	27	27	25
TOTAL AGREE	55	53	58	52	62	52	57	58	54	56	40	52	57	61	55	56	52	55	54	56	58
Don't know/Not applicable	8	5	7	8	6	6	8	6	7	9	17	7	8	5	6	11	6	9	7	9	7
This will make a big difference when I inherit money in the																					
future						_			_							-					
Strongly disagree	29	21	35	29	30	21	34	35	32	26	24	23	31	34	28	31	23	26	31	32	40
Somewhat disagree	13	14	14	20	8	13	14	18	14	12	18	12	14	11	16	10	9	12	15	16	11
TOTAL DISAGREE	42	35	49	49	38	34	48	53	46	38	42	35	45	45	44	41	32	38	46	48	51
Neither agree nor disagree	21	22	21	18	16	22	21	18	20	22	12	23	25	19	21	22	25	20	22	20	23
Somewhat agree	11	15	9	7	12	15	6	9	11	10	15	13	10	7	12	9	13	13	8	9	9
Strongly agree	12	18	6	11	20	17	10	8	12	12	11	20	10	9	12	12	17	16	10	9	5
TOTAL AGREE	23	33	15	18	32	32	16	17	23	22	26	33	20	16	24	21	30	29	18	18	14
Don't know/Not applicable	14	10	14	14	13	12	15	12	10	17	21	9	10	19	11	17	12	14	13	14	13



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Somewhat agree	22	19	16	28
Strongly agree	43	54	63	26
TOTAL AGREE	65	73	79	54
Don't know/Not applicable	5	0	0	9
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e affected				
Strongly disagree	5	9	7	17
Somewhat disagree	11	26	22	32
TOTAL DISAGREE	16	35	29	49
Neither agree nor disagree	21	17	18	18
Somewhat agree	30	29	29	4
Strongly agree	25	17	18	30
TOTAL AGREE	55	46	47	34
Don't know/Not applicable	8	2	6	0
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uture		_	-	
Strongly disagree	29	12	11	0
Somewhat disagree	13	24	6	4
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Neither agree nor disagree	21	15	12	5
Somewhat agree	11	16	28	22
Strongly agree	12	17	43	60
		33	71	82
TOTAL AGREE Don't know/Not applicable	23	_ აა	. /1	02



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	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Do you believe that increasing the Inheritance Tax threshold is a good or bad idea?						_								_							
Very poor idea	10	5	13	17	8	4	15	12	13	6	16	9	9	8	10	9	12	7	8	11	14
Poor idea	11	4	18	9		5	16	15		10	11	12	11	10	12	10	12	9	9	14	12
TOTAL POOR	21	9	31	26	16	9		27	25	16	27	21	20	18	22	19	24	16	17	25	26
Neither a poor nor a good idea	20	17	23	24	17	17	23	22	20	20	18	20	22	19	20	21	12	18	27	20	24
Good idea	29	35	24	29	33	36	22	28	27	30	20	29	28	32	30	27	28	30	31	26	26
Very good idea	20	33	9	16	29	30	10	17	19	20	15	18	19	23	21	17	22	26	16	15	14
TOTAL GOOD	49	68	33	45	62	66	32	45	46	50	35	47	47	55	51	44	50	56	47	41	40
Don't know/Not applicable	11	6	12	5	4	8	14	7	9	13	21	13	9	8	7	16	15	10	9	14	10
Have you received an inheritance of over £325,000 in the past?						_			_		_										
Yes	2	2	1	5	2	3	1	3	1	3	1	2	2	3	3	1	2	2	1	2	1
No	96 2	97 1	97 2	95 0	98 0	95 2	95 4	97	97 2	95 3	92 7	2 96 2	2 97 1	96 1	96 1	95 3	93 4	96 2	97 2	96 2	98
Don't know	2	1	2	0	0	2	4	0	2	3	7	2	1	1	1	3	4	2	2	2	0
Do you anticipate receiving an inheritance in future?																					
Yes, under £325,000	30	33	32	32	25	29	27	37	31	29	44	37	35	13	34	25	23	32	30	31	31
Yes, over £325,000 but under £1,000,000	9	13	5	17	11		5	8		9	11	15 2	8	3	11	6	15	11	7	5	7
Yes, over £1,000,000?	1	1	0	0	1	2	1	1	9 2	9 0	11 2	2	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	2	1
I won't have an inheritance	60	52	63	50	63	58	66	54	59	61	42	46	56	84	54	69	60	57	61	63	61
Have you or would you ever take independent financial advice about either receiving or providing an inheritance? (Please tick all that apply)																					
Yes, about receiving an inheritance	18	23	16	28	11	21	14	19	20	16	26	24	17	10	21	14	19	21	15	17	17
Yes, about providing an inheritance	18	27	13	31	17	24	12	23	20	17	20	16	18	21	23	13	24	20	15	16	19
No, I wouldn't seek independent financial advice regarding inheritance	71	61	76	56	77	65	78	68	69	73	68	69	72	74	66	78	66	68	75	74	73

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Poor idea	11	10	6	6
TOTAL POOR	21	12	11	44
Neither a poor nor a good idea	20	20	6	5
Good idea	29	27	31	18
Very good idea	20	41	51	24
TOTAL GOOD	49	68	82	42
Don't know/Not applicable	11	0	1	9
Have you received an inheritance of over £325,000 in the past?				
Yes	2	100	3	5
No.	96	0	96	95
Don't know	2	o	1	0
Do you anticipate receiving an inheritance in future?				
Yes, under £325,000	30	42	0	0
Yes, over £325,000 but under £1,000,000	9	14	100	0
Yes, over £1,000,000?	1	2	0	100
I won't have an inheritance	60	41	0	0
Have you or would you ever take independent financial advice about either receiving or providing an inheritance? (Please tick all that apply)				
Yes, about receiving an inheritance	18	49	43	41
Yes, about providing an inheritance	18	32	35	18
No, I wouldn't seek independent financial advice regarding inheritance	71	36	43	59

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