

YouGov/Fabian Society Survey Results

Sample Size: 1746 GB adults (excluding Don't know respondents)
Fieldwork: 14th - 15th November 2012

	Voting intention					2010 Vote			Gender		Age				Social Grade		Region				
Total	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Non-voters	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Male	Female	18-24	25-39	40-59	60+	ABC1	C2DE	London	Rest of South	Midlands / Wales	North	Scotland	
TOTAL: Weighted Sample	x	x	x	x	559	399	417	854	892	209	447	595	495	985	743	225	569	373	428	151	
TOTAL: Unweighted Sample	1746	446	526	100	374	579	376	413	872	874	112	413	671	550	1103	625	256	587	353	414	136
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

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To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement?

Those aged under 25 are adults who should have the same rights and responsibilities as other adults, including accessing benefits if they hit hard times

[Excluding those who said Don't know. N=1652]

Strongly agree	27	15	36	19	24	15	34	32	28	26	40	26	30	20	28	26	25	25	26	28	36
Tend to agree	33	34	30	49	34	33	31	34	33	32	34	35	32	32	33	32	34	33	33	32	31
TOTAL AGREE	60	49	66	68	58	48	65	66	61	58	74	61	62	52	61	58	59	58	59	60	67
Neither agree nor disagree	19	22	17	11	24	21	18	15	18	20	17	18	20	20	19	19	18	19	17	20	21
Tend to disagree	15	19	12	13	11	21	12	13	15	14	8	12	12	22	14	15	15	16	17	13	8
Strongly disagree	7	10	5	8	6	10	5	6	6	7	2	10	7	6	7	7	8	8	6	7	4
TOTAL DISAGREE	22	29	17	21	17	31	17	19	21	21	10	22	19	28	21	22	23	24	23	20	12

To what extent would you support or oppose removing housing benefit from most people aged under 25?

[Excluding those who said Don't know. N=1658]

Strongly support	10	18	3	8	7	17	4	9	10	9	4	10	10	11	11	8	7	13	9	9	8
Tend to support	25	41	17	14	22	35	17	21	25	25	24	23	21	32	26	23	23	28	28	23	14
TOTAL SUPPORT	35	59	20	22	29	52	21	30	35	34	28	33	31	43	37	31	30	41	37	32	22
Neither support nor oppose	19	19	18	14	25	22	20	13	19	19	12	17	21	22	18	21	19	17	17	21	25
Tend to oppose	25	17	28	44	27	19	27	34	25	25	27	28	26	23	25	26	26	23	30	25	25
Strongly oppose	21	5	34	21	19	7	33	23	20	21	33	23	22	13	20	22	25	20	16	21	28
TOTAL OPPOSE	46	22	62	65	46	26	60	57	45	46	60	51	48	36	45	48	51	43	46	46	53

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Tend to agree	33	31	34	31	34	30	33	31	33
TOTAL AGREE	60	51	59	64	71	73	70	69	57
Neither agree nor disagree	19	25	17	19	13	15	12	10	20
Tend to disagree	15	18	16	7	11	3	13	10	15
Strongly disagree	7	6	7	10	5	9	6	11	7
TOTAL DISAGREE	22	24	23	17	16	12	19	21	22

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Strongly support	10	12	10	4	7	7	2	8	11
Tend to support	25	30	29	6	22	3	11	8	28
TOTAL SUPPORT	35	42	39	10	29	10	13	16	39
Neither support nor oppose	19	21	19	26	15	13	18	15	20
Tend to oppose	25	22	24	23	30	39	33	29	25
Strongly oppose	21	14	18	41	26	37	36	40	16
TOTAL OPPOSE	46	36	42	64	56	76	69	69	41

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Suppose that a policy which removed housing benefit for most people aged under 25 led to an increase in youth homelessness, to what extent would you support or oppose this policy?

[Asked to those who said they would support removing housing benefit from most people aged under 25. Excluding those who said Don't know. N=560]

Strongly support	17	18	12	27	9	19	14	14	21	12	16	22	16	14	20	12	11	17	20	14	23
Tend to support	35	34	25	29	45	37	27	31	34	36	19	31	43	34	35	35	32	37	31	35	40
TOTAL SUPPORT	52	52	37	56	54	56	41	45	55	48	35	53	59	48	55	47	43	54	51	49	63
Neither support nor oppose	26	28	29	15	25	25	28	21	22	30	28	17	25	32	21	34	25	25	26	30	22
Tend to oppose	19	17	27	21	19	17	24	28	19	19	32	27	11	18	21	16	24	18	22	18	10
Strongly oppose	3	2	8	7	2	2	6	5	4	3	5	3	5	2	4	3	7	3	2	3	5
TOTAL OPPOSE	22	19	35	28	21	19	30	33	23	22	37	30	16	20	25	19	31	21	24	21	15

The government says that those aged under 25 should move back in with their parents or share accommodation with friends...

To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement?

It is unreasonable to expect that most people aged under 25 and claiming housing benefit should move back in with their parents. For many people, living with their parents may not be an option.

[Excluding those who said Don't know. N=1678]

Strongly agree	25	12	34	23	25	13	33	28	25	25	39	26	25	18	24	26	25	25	18	29	28
Tend to agree	31	32	29	36	34	34	32	31	27	35	29	30	32	32	33	28	34	28	34	28	37
TOTAL AGREE	56	44	63	59	59	47	65	59	52	60	68	56	57	50	57	54	59	53	52	57	65
Neither agree nor disagree	15	21	13	13	16	19	12	13	17	14	11	16	14	18	14	18	19	16	12	16	12
Tend to disagree	17	23	15	15	15	21	13	17	18	17	14	16	17	21	16	18	9	19	23	18	13
Strongly disagree	11	12	10	14	10	14	9	11	13	10	6	12	13	11	13	10	12	12	13	9	10
TOTAL DISAGREE	28	35	25	29	25	35	22	28	31	27	20	28	30	32	29	28	21	31	36	27	23

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Tend to support	35	34	35	40	38	33	27	38	35
TOTAL SUPPORT	52	51	49	76	52	75	34	60	52
Neither support nor oppose	26	30	25	24	19	17	45	33	25
Tend to oppose	19	16	23	0	22	0	13	1	20
Strongly oppose	3	3	2	0	8	8	8	7	3
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Neither agree nor disagree	15	20	13	15	14	7	18	11	15
Tend to disagree	17	21	19	10	12	13	11	11	19
Strongly disagree	11	11	13	10	12	10	11	9	12
TOTAL DISAGREE	28	32	32	20	24	23	22	20	31

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