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Sample Size: 1433
Fieldwork: 17th - 18th April 2010

	Voting intention			Gender		Age			Social Grade		Region					
	Total	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	ABC1	C2DE	London	Rest of South	Midlands / Wales	North	Scotland
All GB Adults	1433	373	305	396	688	745	400	532	502	788	645	183	466	307	353	125
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All three main parties say they will reduce government borrowing sharply over the next few years, by raising taxes and/or cutting public spending. Leaving aside whether you support any of the particular policies the parties are putting forward, do you think, in each case, that their sums add up – that, if they implement their policies will they hit their target for reducing government borrowing?

Conservatives

Yes, their sums probably do add up	21	60	3	11	24	19	24	18	23	21	21	28	23	25	14	17
No, they probably don't add up	56	19	83	68	59	54	49	61	56	58	53	51	53	53	63	61
Not sure	23	21	14	21	17	28	27	21	21	20	26	22	24	21	23	21

Labour

Yes, their sums probably do add up	24	6	67	16	28	21	25	26	22	24	24	20	21	22	31	29
No, they probably don't add up	52	74	17	58	54	51	46	50	59	54	50	56	54	56	46	48
Not sure	24	20	16	26	19	28	30	24	19	22	26	24	25	23	23	23

Liberal Democrats

Yes, their sums probably do add up	26	14	24	51	31	21	34	23	22	26	26	18	27	31	27	23
No, they probably don't add up	36	47	39	19	38	35	27	40	40	37	36	41	36	34	37	36
Not sure	37	39	37	30	31	43	38	37	38	37	38	41	38	35	36	41

Here are some proposals that have been made in the current election. In each case, do you support or oppose it?

Tax: Scrap income tax on earnings of less than £10,000 a year. The £17billion cost of this will be paid for by a tax on bigger houses, a tax on airline flights, restricting tax relief on pensions savings for higher-rate taxpayers, and attempting to clamp down on tax avoidance.

Support	66	56	69	81	67	64	60	62	74	68	63	55	70	68	65	62
Oppose	20	33	20	8	21	19	24	21	16	23	17	28	19	14	21	22
Don't know	14	11	11	11	11	17	16	17	10	10	20	17	11	18	13	15

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Defence: Replace Britain's Trident nuclear weapons system and develop a variant that is a lot cheaper but less powerful and possibly easier to detect and stop.

Support	37	22	43	52	42	31	36	37	37	39	33	37	36	38	34	42
Oppose	37	57	36	23	41	34	33	35	43	36	39	39	37	38	37	35
Don't know	26	21	21	25	17	35	31	28	20	25	28	24	27	24	29	23

Europe: Give the European Union more powers on justice issues, bank regulation, the flow of asylum seekers, limiting climate change and cooperate more on security and defence.

Support	18	9	25	26	19	17	27	18	11	19	16	18	17	16	19	24
Oppose	65	82	57	55	69	62	49	65	78	66	65	69	68	64	65	56
Don't know	17	9	17	19	12	21	24	17	11	15	19	13	15	21	17	19

Euro: scrap the Pound and join the Euro when the conditions are right.

Support	21	10	30	28	26	15	21	19	22	24	17	15	21	20	22	26
Oppose	65	84	56	53	63	67	60	64	70	63	68	72	66	64	64	59
Don't know	14	5	14	19	11	17	18	16	8	13	16	12	13	16	15	15

Immigration: Give an amnesty to 1 million illegal immigrants who have lived in Britain for ten years, speak good English and don't have a criminal record.

Support	35	25	43	48	35	36	43	33	32	40	30	38	37	34	31	41
Oppose	49	67	40	36	53	45	36	52	56	46	52	46	52	46	53	38
Don't know	16	9	17	16	12	19	21	15	12	14	18	16	12	20	16	21

Prisons: Allow 58,000 criminals a year to do community service instead of going to prison by banning jail terms of less than six months.

Support	33	23	37	44	35	31	32	33	33	36	29	37	35	29	32	31
Oppose	50	68	47	37	51	49	42	51	55	48	53	48	48	53	51	50
Don't know	17	8	17	19	14	20	26	16	12	16	18	15	17	19	17	19

Public sector pay: Limit pay rises for public sector workers for the next two years to £400 a year

Support	57	65	53	57	62	53	45	55	69	57	57	56	58	59	55	57
Oppose	24	22	31	23	25	23	28	25	19	27	21	28	23	22	25	22
Don't know	19	13	16	21	13	24	27	20	12	16	23	16	19	19	20	21

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Higher education: scrap university tuition fees over six years, and increase taxes to pay for this.

Support	31	21	34	43	32	31	31	31	32	34	28	37	33	27	30	31
Oppose	48	62	48	40	53	44	49	46	49	48	49	47	49	49	49	43
Don't know	20	18	18	17	15	25	19	22	19	19	23	16	18	24	21	26

Voting: Change the voting system for electing MPs, so that individual constituencies become much larger and parties are represented in parliament broadly in line with their national vote

Support	54	52	51	67	61	49	51	53	58	58	50	59	57	53	52	49
Oppose	16	22	22	9	20	13	13	15	20	18	14	15	15	16	16	23
Don't know	29	26	28	23	20	39	36	32	22	24	36	25	28	31	32	28

Energy: Stop any new nuclear power stations from being built and attempt to solve the energy crisis by coal-fired power generation plants and wind turbines instead.

Support	32	22	35	40	24	39	33	33	30	32	31	33	32	31	32	33
Oppose	41	55	40	33	57	26	34	37	50	42	39	41	43	40	37	43
Don't know	27	22	25	27	19	35	32	30	21	26	30	26	25	29	31	24