

YouGov / Unison Survey Results

Sample Size: 1892 GB Adults
Fieldwork: 27th - 28th January 2011

	Voting intention			2010 Vote			Gender		Age				Social grade		Region					
Total	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Male	Female	18-24	25-39	40-59	60+	ABC1	C2DE	London	Rest of South	Midlands / Wales	North	Scotland	
Weighted Sample 1892				574	502	413	920	972	225	489	648	530	1061	800	243	621	402	462	164	
Unweighted Sample 1892	509	613	134	555	480	437	941	951	123	484	750	535	1174	687	274	631	373	436	178	
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A new Health and Social Care Bill proposes that control over the commissioning of healthcare services in England are taken away from Health Trusts and given to groups of local GPs. Some GP groups may use private companies to manage their health group.

Some say that this will be necessary for some GP groups where they do not have the skills and resources to adequately undertake these new roles.

Others say that this is unacceptable as the interests of the private companies may be at odds with that of patients.

To what extent do you support or oppose GP groups employing private management groups?

Strongly support	3	5	1	5	6	0	2	4	1	3	4	1	3	3	2	2	3	3	2	4
Tend to support	21	35	14	27	32	14	18	22	21	19	19	21	26	23	19	18	23	22	21	20
TOTAL SUPPORT	24	40	15	32	38	14	20	26	22	22	23	22	29	26	21	20	26	25	23	24
Tend to oppose	24	26	25	31	24	25	26	24	24	17	23	26	25	27	21	21	25	24	24	25
Strongly oppose	26	12	40	26	15	38	30	29	23	13	20	34	27	24	28	30	26	25	23	29
TOTAL OPPOSE	50	38	65	57	39	63	56	53	47	30	43	60	52	51	49	51	51	49	47	54
Don't know	26	22	20	12	23	22	24	21	31	47	34	18	18	22	31	28	23	27	30	22

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The new Health and Social Care Bill will allow GPs to commission private companies to provide some of their healthcare services to NHS patients. The GP groups would pay for these services using funds from their budgets and patients would still receive the services for free.

Some say that this will be a benefit to the NHS as private companies may be able to provide services to a higher standard or more cost effectively.

Others say that private companies should not be allowed to make a profit from the NHS.

To what extent do you support or oppose GPs using private companies to provide NHS services?

Strongly support	3	5	1	4	6	1	2	5	2	4	3	2	4	4	3	4	4	2	2	4
Tend to support	24	41	15	26	38	13	19	24	25	15	23	24	28	27	21	21	27	23	25	19
TOTAL SUPPORT	27	46	16	30	44	14	21	29	27	19	26	26	32	31	24	25	31	25	27	23
Tend to oppose	24	21	27	35	21	26	31	23	26	15	24	26	27	25	24	26	23	26	24	23
Strongly oppose	26	11	41	21	15	39	29	31	21	22	19	32	27	25	28	27	26	27	24	30
TOTAL OPPOSE	50	32	68	56	36	65	60	54	47	37	43	58	54	50	52	53	49	53	48	53
Don't know	22	22	16	14	20	20	20	18	26	44	30	16	13	20	25	22	20	22	25	24