

YouGov Survey Results

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Which of the following, if any, do you think should be the main focus of UK foreign policy? (Please select up to three)

Focus of UK foreign policy? (Please select up to three)																			
Protecting the UK at its borders, including counter-terrorism	50	59	73	48	54	75	60	58	34	46	63	76	60	58	52	62	59	59	55
Working with NATO and allies to defend Britain from external threats	27	40	48	34	36	48	43	37	28	28	45	49	40	39	34	45	37	41	31
Ensuring the continued supply of vital resources, such as oil, gas, food and water	29	28	31	27	25	34	29	26	16	20	27	39	29	25	31	28	25	29	23
Promoting British business and trade overseas	26	26	34	21	17	25	32	20	13	25	28	28	28	23	28	25	23	27	29
Poverty reduction	17	18	9	26	21	10	15	21	28	18	17	16	17	20	20	18	16	19	17
Preventing the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction	17	14	11	15	13	15	12	15	12	13	13	16	14	13	15	14	15	12	11
Combating diseases such as AIDS, malaria, tuberculosis	18	12	8	13	15	5	11	12	24	13	8	10	12	11	14	12	10	10	16
Tackling climate change	13	12	4	16	23	5	12	13	19	13	12	9	14	10	17	12	10	11	13
Being an active member of the European Union	10	11	5	17	16	1	13	9	10	13	12	8	13	8	14	9	10	10	20
Protecting British nationals abroad	16	11	10	9	10	13	13	9	14	9	13	9	12	10	11	10	14	9	14
Spreading British values abroad – including democracy, the rule of law and human rights	12	8	9	10	9	4	10	5	10	9	6	7	9	7	11	7	6	8	9
None of these	2	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	1
Don't know	10	10	8	13	7	9	6	14	17	17	8	3	8	13	6	9	14	11	6

Which one of the following statements comes closest to your view?

The UK should seek to remain a great power, with substantial armed forces and its own seat at the United Nations Security Council as one of the 'big five' permanent members (the others are the United States, Russia, France and China)	63	64	81	56	59	65	67	62	51	62	65	70	68	60	65	67	62	66	53
The UK should accept that it is no longer a great power, cut its defence budget further, in due course give up its seat on the UN Security Council, and reduce its contribution to maintaining international security	20	17	7	21	19	17	21	14	18	16	18	17	18	17	21	16	16	15	26
Don't know	17	19	12	23	22	18	13	24	31	22	17	12	15	24	14	17	22	19	20

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Which of the following, if any, do you think should be the main focus of UK foreign policy? (Please select up to three)

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Protecting the UK at its borders, including counter-terrorism	50	59	70	38	47	67	56	50
Working with NATO and allies to defend Britain from external threats	27	40	51	23	25	48	34	35
Ensuring the continued supply of vital resources, such as oil, gas, food and water	29	28	29	28	23	28	30	24
Promoting British business and trade overseas	26	26	31	22	15	29	27	18
Poverty reduction	17	18	13	34	17	14	24	16
Preventing the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction	17	14	12	20	11	15	14	11
Combating diseases such as AIDS, malaria, tuberculosis	18	12	8	20	12	9	16	11
Tackling climate change	13	12	8	27	10	8	17	12
Being an active member of the European Union	10	11	7	22	10	10	13	9
Protecting British nationals abroad	16	11	13	11	6	14	11	7
Spreading British values abroad – including democracy, the rule of law and human rights	12	8	8	9	5	9	8	5
None of these	2	1	1	1	2	1	1	2
Don't know	10	10	6	5	27	6	5	23

Which one of the following statements comes closest to your view?

The UK should seek to remain a great power, with substantial armed forces and its own seat at the United Nations Security Council as one of the 'big five' permanent members (the others are the United States, Russia, France and China)	63	64	80	37	46	82	53	52
The UK should accept that it is no longer a great power, cut its defence budget further, in due course give up its seat on the UN Security Council, and reduce its contribution to maintaining international security	20	17	9	47	12	9	32	11
Don't know	17	19	11	16	42	9	15	37

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Which one of the following statements comes closest to your view?

British foreign policy should be based at least in part on ethical considerations, even if this means sometimes not acting in Britain's immediate national interest

British foreign policy should pursue Britain's national interest at all times, even if this means doing things that some people regard as unethical

Don't know

Which of these statements comes closest to your view on when the government should use military force?

Should never use force

Should only use force if Britain's borders are under threat

Should use force whenever it serves British interests

Should use force whenever it is in the broader interests of the international community

None of these

Don't know

6-12 Aug 2014	23 - 24 Nov 2015																			
	41	36	27	45	57	9	37	34	42	45	37	22	40	30	49	35	29	32	44	
	42	45	58	34	29	74	51	40	28	31	48	63	45	47	38	47	48	48	37	
	16	19	15	21	14	17	12	25	30	24	15	14	15	24	13	17	23	20	19	
	2	2	1	2	3	1	1	3	3	4	1	1	2	3	5	2	1	2	3	
	40	32	25	35	33	32	28	35	30	33	31	32	30	33	38	30	31	29	36	
	24	30	38	23	25	44	34	26	23	25	31	35	31	28	21	29	32	35	25	
	22	24	26	23	29	18	29	19	17	21	27	25	27	19	23	27	22	20	26	
2	3	1	3	2	1	2	3	7	2	3	1	2	4	3	3	1	3	5		
11	10	8	14	8	5	6	14	20	15	7	6	8	13	10	10	13	10	5		

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		16 - 17 Nov	23 - 24 Nov																
Would you approve or disapprove of the RAF taking part in air strike operations against Islamic State/ISIS in Syria?																			
Approve	58	59	72	52	46	76	68	51	47	53	63	65	59	59	54	62	61	60	51
Disapprove	22	20	10	26	28	11	19	21	25	21	18	18	21	19	20	18	19	19	29
Don't know	19	21	18	22	26	14	13	28	28	25	19	17	20	22	27	20	20	22	20
Would you approve or disapprove of Britain and the USA sending ground troops back into _Iraq_ to help fight Islamic State/ISIS?																			
Approve	43	39	45	35	31	51	46	34	22	39	45	41	40	38	39	41	39	39	37
Disapprove	37	34	29	37	41	30	36	33	45	30	31	38	35	34	31	35	36	31	43
Don't know	21	26	25	27	29	19	18	33	32	31	24	21	25	28	29	25	25	29	21
Would you approve or disapprove of Britain and the USA sending ground troops into _Syria_ to help fight Islamic State/ISIS?																			
Approve	42	41	48	36	35	51	44	38	22	41	45	44	41	41	45	41	40	41	38
Disapprove	37	34	29	39	35	31	37	32	46	30	31	37	35	34	29	36	34	32	44
Don't know	21	25	24	25	30	19	18	31	32	29	23	19	24	26	26	24	26	27	19

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Would you approve or disapprove of the RAF taking part in air strike operations against Islamic State/ISIS in Syria?								
Approve	58	59	100	0	0	91	38	38
Disapprove	22	20	0	100	0	4	46	9
Don't know	19	21	0	0	100	4	16	53
Would you approve or disapprove of Britain and the USA sending ground troops back into _Iraq_ to help fight Islamic State/ISIS?								
Approve	43	39	61	8	8	100	0	0
Disapprove	37	34	22	80	26	0	100	0
Don't know	21	26	17	11	66	0	0	100
Would you approve or disapprove of Britain and the USA sending ground troops into _Syria_ to help fight Islamic State/ISIS?								
Approve	42	41	62	9	11	93	4	10
Disapprove	37	34	22	83	22	4	89	7
Don't know	21	25	15	8	67	3	6	82

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How effective, if at all, do you think airstrikes by Britain, France and the USA would be at helping to defeat Islamic State/ISIS?

Very effective	10	12	8	4	16	12	9	6	12	10	10	9	11	13	11	9	10	9
Fairly effective	37	49	27	41	49	42	33	31	27	40	46	39	35	34	37	41	39	28
TOTAL EFFECTIVE	47	61	35	45	65	54	42	37	39	50	56	48	46	47	48	50	49	37
Not very effective	29	24	37	30	17	30	28	34	29	27	28	29	28	31	28	26	28	36
Not effective at all	8	3	12	7	6	9	8	5	12	9	6	9	8	10	7	6	9	14
TOTAL NOT EFFECTIVE	37	27	49	37	23	39	36	39	41	36	34	38	36	41	35	32	37	50
Don't know	16	13	17	18	12	8	23	23	21	13	10	13	18	13	16	18	15	12

How effective, if at all, do you think sending British, French and US ground troops into Syria and Iraq would be at helping to defeat Islamic State/ISIS?

Very effective	19	22	15	11	32	27	11	8	15	21	25	20	17	19	19	17	19	23
Fairly effective	30	37	26	30	25	31	29	29	28	32	29	32	27	30	29	32	30	24
TOTAL EFFECTIVE	49	59	41	41	57	58	40	37	43	53	54	52	44	49	48	49	49	47
Not very effective	22	21	24	28	15	21	23	25	23	20	23	22	23	25	21	24	19	28
Not effective at all	10	4	13	11	12	10	10	13	11	9	9	10	10	10	10	8	11	11
TOTAL NOT EFFECTIVE	32	25	37	39	27	31	33	38	34	29	32	32	33	35	31	32	30	39
Don't know	19	16	21	20	16	12	26	24	24	18	15	15	24	16	21	19	20	14

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How effective, if at all, do you think airstrikes by Britain, France and the USA would be at helping to defeat Islamic State/ISIS?

Very effective	10	17	0	1	19	5	3
Fairly effective	37	55	9	12	47	31	30
TOTAL EFFECTIVE	47	72	9	13	66	36	33
Not very effective	29	19	50	36	24	37	25
Not effective at all	8	1	34	5	2	19	4
TOTAL NOT EFFECTIVE	37	20	84	41	26	56	29
Don't know	16	8	7	45	7	9	38

How effective, if at all, do you think sending British, French and US ground troops into Syria and Iraq would be at helping to defeat Islamic State/ISIS?

Very effective	19	29	4	4	42	3	5
Fairly effective	30	41	14	13	46	17	23
TOTAL EFFECTIVE	49	70	18	17	88	20	28
Not very effective	22	14	42	27	5	44	19
Not effective at all	10	4	32	7	0	26	3
TOTAL NOT EFFECTIVE	32	18	74	34	5	70	22
Don't know	19	12	8	48	7	10	50

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What effect, if any, do you think Britain taking part in military action against Islamic State/ISIS would have on the risk of terrorist attacks here in Britain?

Would increase the risk a lot	37	33	41	35	35	33	41	27	37	38	39	36	39	39	36	33	38	44
Would increase the risk a little	32	37	31	35	30	36	29	45	27	31	34	35	29	35	35	33	32	21
TOTAL INCREASE	69	70	72	70	65	69	70	72	64	69	73	71	68	74	71	66	70	65
Would make no real difference	17	18	14	17	23	21	13	8	16	19	19	16	18	14	16	18	17	22
Would decrease the risk a little	2	2	2	3	1	3	1	1	5	2	1	3	1	4	1	2	2	5
Would decrease the risk a lot	1	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1
TOTAL DECREASE	3	2	2	3	3	4	1	1	5	3	2	4	2	5	2	3	2	6
Don't know	11	9	12	9	9	6	15	19	15	9	6	9	14	7	12	13	11	7

How much of a threat, if at all, do you think Islamic State/ISIS poses to Britain?

A very serious threat	45	52	43	33	57	39	51	29	42	47	53	43	48	42	45	50	46	37
A fairly serious threat	40	39	41	55	32	44	36	38	36	40	42	42	37	38	40	38	40	45
TOTAL VERY / FAIRLY SERIOUS THREAT	85	91	84	88	89	83	87	67	78	87	95	85	85	80	85	88	86	82
Not much of a threat	8	4	9	5	8	12	4	18	11	6	4	10	6	13	8	6	6	10
No threat at all	1	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	2	1	0	1	1	2	0	1	1	2
TOTAL NOT MUCH / NO THREAT	9	5	9	6	8	14	4	18	13	7	4	11	7	15	8	7	7	12
Don't know	6	4	6	5	3	4	9	15	9	5	1	4	9	5	7	5	7	6

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Would increase the risk a lot	37	30	64	31	28	52	30
Would increase the risk a little	32	40	23	22	41	27	27
TOTAL INCREASE	69	70	87	53	69	79	57
Would make no real difference	17	22	9	10	20	17	13
Would decrease the risk a little	2	3	1	1	4	1	2
Would decrease the risk a lot	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
TOTAL DECREASE	3	4	1	1	5	1	2
Don't know	11	5	3	36	6	3	28

How much of a threat, if at all, do you think Islamic State/ISIS poses to Britain?

A very serious threat	45	54	27	36	53	41	39
A fairly serious threat	40	38	51	32	38	44	36
TOTAL VERY / FAIRLY SERIOUS THREAT	85	92	78	68	91	85	75
Not much of a threat	8	6	16	6	7	12	5
No threat at all	1	0	3	0	1	2	1
TOTAL NOT MUCH / NO THREAT	9	6	19	6	8	14	6
Don't know	6	1	2	26	2	2	19

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And to what extent, if at all, do you think the ongoing situation in Syria impacts on Britain's interests in the world?

A major impact	42	48	45	35	41	36	47	37	41	41	44	41	42	44	41	44	41	36
A minor impact	30	30	26	39	29	35	25	30	29	30	30	32	27	27	30	29	30	35
TOTAL MAJOR / MINOR IMPACT	72	78	71	74	70	71	72	67	70	71	74	73	69	71	71	73	71	71
Not very much of an impact	11	9	10	10	14	16	5	10	10	11	12	12	9	15	10	11	9	14
No impact at all	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	2	1	1	2	2	2
TOTAL NOT VERY MUCH / NO IMPACT	12	10	11	11	16	18	6	11	12	12	13	13	11	16	11	13	11	16
Don't know	16	13	18	16	13	10	22	22	18	16	13	14	20	13	18	15	19	13

Thinking about the position of the United Nations on military action in Syria, which of the following best reflects your view?

Britain, the US and France should take military action in Syria regardless of whether or not the United Nations has given permission	28	34	21	15	45	35	20	23	27	29	28	29	26	27	29	27	25	30
Britain, the US and France should only take military action in Syria if they have the permission of the United Nations	44	47	46	58	32	45	43	39	37	47	49	47	40	48	42	44	46	42
Britain, the US and France should not take any military action in Syria anyway, regardless of the position of the United Nations	11	5	15	11	10	11	12	17	10	9	12	11	12	9	12	10	11	16
Don't know	17	14	18	15	12	9	25	22	26	15	10	13	22	16	17	18	18	11

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A major impact	42	48	30	33	52	34	35
A minor impact	30	32	35	19	29	37	22
TOTAL MAJOR / MINOR IMPACT	72	80	65	52	81	71	57
Not very much of an impact	11	10	18	7	10	15	7
No impact at all	1	1	5	1	1	3	1
TOTAL NOT VERY MUCH / NO IMPACT	12	11	23	8	11	18	8
Don't know	16	9	13	40	8	12	36

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Britain, the US and France should only take military action in Syria if they have the permission of the United Nations	44	47	43	38	44	46	43
Britain, the US and France should not take any military action in Syria anyway, regardless of the position of the United Nations	11	1	46	6	1	28	5
Don't know	17	7	10	51	7	10	42

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How much do you trust the following to make the right decisions
in regard of Syria and Islamic State/ISIS?

David Cameron

Trust a lot	13	31	3	7	9	15	12	5	10	14	19	16	10	17	14	13	12	7
Trust a fair amount	34	52	19	43	32	36	32	34	33	33	37	38	30	38	34	34	35	31
TOTAL TRUST	47	83	22	50	41	51	44	39	43	47	56	54	40	55	48	47	47	38
Do not trust very much	19	10	27	21	29	20	19	17	19	19	21	19	20	17	21	19	20	18
Do not trust at all	24	3	40	22	21	23	24	28	24	27	18	20	28	20	22	24	23	36
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST	43	13	67	43	50	43	43	45	43	46	39	39	48	37	43	43	43	54
Don't know	9	5	11	7	9	5	13	15	14	8	4	7	12	7	9	10	10	8

Jeremy Corbyn

Trust a lot	6	2	12	6	1	7	4	7	8	4	4	5	7	9	5	6	6	3
Trust a fair amount	15	2	28	15	7	15	14	24	18	14	9	17	12	15	13	15	14	21
TOTAL TRUST	21	4	40	21	8	22	18	31	26	18	13	22	19	24	18	21	20	24
Do not trust very much	18	14	19	28	22	17	19	17	20	20	15	17	19	22	19	17	14	24
Do not trust at all	50	75	27	40	61	56	43	36	36	51	65	51	48	44	52	51	53	38
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST	68	89	46	68	83	73	62	53	56	71	80	68	67	66	71	68	67	62
Don't know	12	6	14	12	9	5	18	15	18	11	7	10	15	9	12	12	13	14

Barack Obama

Trust a lot	11	13	11	12	7	11	10	11	11	11	9	12	9	11	11	9	11	11
Trust a fair amount	43	53	42	43	32	41	45	45	44	39	45	47	38	48	42	46	43	29
TOTAL TRUST	54	66	53	55	39	52	55	56	55	50	54	59	47	59	53	55	54	40
Do not trust very much	24	23	22	31	30	28	20	19	21	26	27	24	24	22	25	22	25	28
Do not trust at all	12	5	13	6	23	14	11	14	9	14	13	9	17	9	10	14	12	24
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST	36	28	35	37	53	42	31	33	30	40	40	33	41	31	35	36	37	52
Don't know	10	5	13	8	9	6	14	12	15	10	5	8	13	10	11	9	9	8

Vladimir Putin

Trust a lot	6	5	5	3	12	9	3	8	7	6	4	5	7	6	4	8	6	7
Trust a fair amount	15	18	13	9	26	18	13	10	12	17	18	15	15	12	16	17	14	14
TOTAL TRUST	21	23	18	12	38	27	16	18	19	23	22	20	22	18	20	25	20	21
Do not trust very much	29	35	27	37	22	30	28	20	28	30	33	30	28	36	27	28	30	27
Do not trust at all	39	35	43	42	28	38	39	46	36	37	39	41	36	40	40	36	37	44
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST	68	70	70	79	50	68	67	66	64	67	72	71	64	76	67	64	67	71
Don't know	11	7	12	9	11	6	16	16	17	9	6	9	14	7	13	11	13	8

Francois Hollande

Trust a lot	8	10	6	8	8	10	5	5	7	9	8	7	8	5	7	7	9	9
Trust a fair amount	37	50	32	38	40	42	33	35	32	36	45	42	31	42	37	41	37	26
TOTAL TRUST	45	60	38	46	48	52	38	40	39	45	53	49	39	47	44	48	46	35
Do not trust very much	24	24	25	23	22	24	24	21	22	24	26	25	23	28	27	20	20	29
Do not trust at all	11	3	13	9	13	11	11	13	10	13	10	9	13	8	10	11	12	18
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST	35	27	38	32	35	35	35	34	32	37	36	34	36	36	37	31	32	47
Don't know	20	13	24	22	18	13	27	25	30	18	11	16	25	16	20	21	23	17

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Weighted Sample	1659	981	329	349	655	571	432
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	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

How much do you trust the following to make the right decisions
in regard of Syria and Islamic State/ISIS?

David Cameron

Trust a lot	13	19	4	6	21	9	7
Trust a fair amount	34	44	17	22	41	29	31
TOTAL TRUST	47	63	21	28	62	38	38
Do not trust very much	19	18	20	24	18	22	19
Do not trust at all	24	14	56	21	15	37	20
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST	43	32	76	45	33	59	39
Don't know	9	5	3	27	5	3	23

Jeremy Corbyn

Trust a lot	6	2	17	5	3	11	4
Trust a fair amount	15	10	29	14	11	21	13
TOTAL TRUST	21	12	46	19	14	32	17
Do not trust very much	18	17	18	22	17	20	18
Do not trust at all	50	65	25	30	61	43	40
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST	68	82	43	52	78	63	58
Don't know	12	7	10	29	9	6	25

Barack Obama

Trust a lot	11	14	5	5	16	8	6
Trust a fair amount	43	48	35	36	46	42	39
TOTAL TRUST	54	62	40	41	62	50	45
Do not trust very much	24	24	32	18	24	28	19
Do not trust at all	12	9	22	12	8	19	10
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST	36	33	54	30	32	47	29
Don't know	10	5	6	28	5	4	25

Vladimir Putin

Trust a lot	6	7	5	3	8	6	3
Trust a fair amount	15	20	9	6	21	12	11
TOTAL TRUST	21	27	14	9	29	18	14
Do not trust very much	29	31	27	25	30	29	28
Do not trust at all	39	34	53	38	34	48	34
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST	68	65	80	63	64	77	62
Don't know	11	7	5	28	7	6	25

Francois Hollande

Trust a lot	8	11	3	2	13	5	3
Trust a fair amount	37	50	19	20	50	29	30
TOTAL TRUST	45	61	22	22	63	34	33
Do not trust very much	24	20	38	22	20	31	21
Do not trust at all	11	6	26	12	6	18	10
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST	35	26	64	34	26	49	31
Don't know	20	13	15	44	12	17	36

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	Vote in 2015					Gender		Age				Social Grade		Region				
	Total	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	UKIP	Male	Female	18-24	25-39	40-59	60+	ABC1	C2DE	London	Rest of South	Midlands / Wales	North	Scotland
Weighted Sample	1659	564	465	116	199	805	854	197	420	567	474	946	713	212	539	355	408	144
Unweighted Sample	1659	506	461	133	209	825	834	115	325	662	557	1069	590	194	556	330	427	152
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

	Sep 25-26 2014	23 - 24 Nov 2015																	
Do you think Britain should or should not be prepared to co-operate with and work alongside the Assad government in Syria when combating Islamic State/ISIS?																			
Britain should be prepared to work with the government of Iran - whatever their faults, it is more important that we defeat ISIS	54	41	44	36	40	55	48	34	37	34	42	46	45	35	43	42	38	40	40
Britain should not be prepared to work with the Assad government - their record of killing their own citizens means Britain should not deal with them	18	30	28	33	24	24	33	26	23	30	29	32	29	30	30	30	27	29	37
Don't know	28	30	27	31	36	21	19	40	39	36	28	22	25	36	27	28	35	31	24
Thinking about Islamic State/ISIS, which of the following best reflects your view?																			
The west should seek to talk to and negotiate peace with Islamic State/ISIS. However distasteful their views, war is not a solution and there must be some way of reaching a compromise	15		10	20	18	9	12	17	18	17	12	15	17	12	17	17	10	13	20
The west should not talk to or negotiate with Islamic State/ISIS. Their views are so extreme and their actions so repellent that a negotiated settlement is impossible, they must be defeated	64		72	57	57	78	74	54	50	56	69	70	65	62	60	62	68	64	64
Neither	7		7	8	12	1	6	8	11	7	7	5	7	7	12	7	7	6	7
Don't know	14		11	14	13	12	7	20	21	19	12	9	11	19	10	14	15	17	9

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Britain should not be prepared to work with the Assad government - their record of killing their own citizens means Britain should not deal with them	18	30	31	41	14	32	36	18
Don't know	28	30	21	25	57	19	22	55
Thinking about Islamic State/ISIS, which of the following best reflects your view?								
The west should seek to talk to and negotiate peace with Islamic State/ISIS. However distasteful their views, war is not a solution and there must be some way of reaching a compromise		15	7	41	13	8	25	12
The west should not talk to or negotiate with Islamic State/ISIS. Their views are so extreme and their actions so repellent that a negotiated settlement is impossible, they must be defeated		64	82	36	38	82	56	47
Neither		7	4	15	10	4	11	7
Don't know		14	7	8	39	6	8	34

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	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Thinking about the future of Syria and President Assad, which of the following best reflects your view?

Any solution to the war in Syria and plan for defeating Islamic State must also include removing President Assad from power and trying him for war crimes

If it was the only way to find a solution to the war in Syria and defeat Islamic State, it would be acceptable to allow President Assad to not be tried for war crimes, so long as he stepped down from power

If it was the only way to find a solution to the war in Syria and defeat Islamic State, it would be acceptable to allow President Assad to remain in charge of Syria and not to face a trial for war crimes

Don't know

27	26	29	24	23	28	27	31	28	27	26	28	26	22	28	25	27	41
31	40	30	33	24	37	26	26	27	30	39	37	25	42	33	29	29	25
12	12	9	10	24	17	8	10	8	14	15	12	13	12	11	13	13	13
29	23	32	33	29	18	39	32	37	29	20	23	36	24	28	33	32	22

In 2013, MPs voted against Britain taking any part in military action against Syria. In hindsight, do you think that was the right or wrong decision?

Right decision - Britain was right to keep out of any military attack on Syria

Wrong decision - we should have been willing to act alongside the United States

Don't know

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74	42	34	50	48	35	45	40	50	42	42	40	45	38	45	41	40	41	53
12	34	45	27	23	46	41	28	19	31	37	41	34	35	29	36	37	34	30
14	23	21	23	29	18	14	32	32	27	22	19	21	27	26	23	23	25	17

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31 38 28 16 37 33 21

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12 12 16 9 11 15 10

Don't know

29 20 25 58 19 25 49

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74 **42** 29 89 36 25 71 30

Wrong decision - we should have been willing to act alongside the United States

12 **34** 54 5 6 60 17 18

Don't know

14 **23** 17 5 59 15 12 52

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