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<b>Jeremy Corbyn</b>								
	Trust a lot	6	2	17	5	3	11	4
	Trust a fair amount	15	10	29	14	11	21	13
	<b>TOTAL TRUST</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>17</b>
	Do not trust very much	18	17	18	22	17	20	18
	Do not trust at all	50	65	25	30	61	43	40
	<b>TOTAL DO NOT TRUST</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>58</b>
	Don't know	12	7	10	29	9	6	25
<b>Barack Obama</b>								
	Trust a lot	11	14	5	5	16	8	6
	Trust a fair amount	43	48	35	36	46	42	39
	<b>TOTAL TRUST</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>45</b>
	Do not trust very much	24	24	32	18	24	28	19
	Do not trust at all	12	9	22	12	8	19	10
	<b>TOTAL DO NOT TRUST</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>29</b>
	Don't know	10	5	6	28	5	4	25
<b>Vladimir Putin</b>								
	Trust a lot	6	7	5	3	8	6	3
	Trust a fair amount	15	20	9	6	21	12	11
	<b>TOTAL TRUST</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>14</b>
	Do not trust very much	29	31	27	25	30	29	28
	Do not trust at all	39	34	53	38	34	48	34
	<b>TOTAL DO NOT TRUST</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>62</b>
	Don't know	11	7	5	28	7	6	25
<b>Francois Hollande</b>								
	Trust a lot	8	11	3	2	13	5	3
	Trust a fair amount	37	50	19	20	50	29	30
	<b>TOTAL TRUST</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>33</b>
	Do not trust very much	24	20	38	22	20	31	21
	Do not trust at all	11	6	26	12	6	18	10
	<b>TOTAL DO NOT TRUST</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>31</b>
	Don't know	20	13	15	44	12	17	36

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	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
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**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 Syria - whatever their faults, it is more important that we defeat ISIS	<b>36</b>	<b>41</b>	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	<b>34</b>	<b>30</b>	28	33	24	24	33	26	23	30	29	32	29	30	30	30	27	29	37
Don't know	<b>31</b>	<b>30</b>	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	<b>15</b>	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	<b>64</b>	72	57	57	78	74	54	50	56	69	70	65	62	60	62	68	64	64
Neither	<b>7</b>	7	8	12	1	6	8	11	7	7	5	7	7	12	7	7	6	7
Don't know	<b>14</b>	11	14	13	12	7	20	21	19	12	9	11	19	10	14	15	17	9

**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	<b>27</b>	26	29	24	23	28	27	31	28	27	26	28	26	22	28	25	27	41
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	<b>31</b>	40	30	33	24	37	26	26	27	30	39	37	25	42	33	29	29	25
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	<b>12</b>	12	9	10	24	17	8	10	8	14	15	12	13	12	11	13	13	13
Don't know	<b>29</b>	23	32	33	29	18	39	32	37	29	20	23	36	24	28	33	32	22

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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	34	30	31	41	14	32	36	18
Don't know	31	30	21	25	57	19	22	55

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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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<b>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?</b>																				
Right decision - Britain was right to keep out of any military attack on Syria	74	42	34	50	48	35	45	40	50	42	42	40	45	38	45	41	40	41	53	
Wrong decision - we should have been willing to act alongside the United States	12	34	45	27	23	46	41	28	19	31	37	41	34	35	29	36	37	34	30	
Don't know	14	23	21	23	29	18	14	32	32	27	22	19	21	27	26	23	23	25	17	

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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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