

YouGov / The Times Survey Results

Sample Size: 1589 GB Adults
Fieldwork: 7th - 8th December 2014

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	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	UKIP		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	1589	X	X	X	X	479	386	313	771	818	189	402	543	454	906	683	203	516	340	391	138	
Unweighted Sample	1589	420	381	78	194	486	369	341	784	805	86	327	673	503	1106	483	233	505	297	356	198	
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The Elgin Marbles are a set of classical Greek sculptures removed from the Parthenon in Greece 200 years ago by Lord Elgin and currently housed in the British Museum in London.

Some people think Britain should return the Marbles to Greece, while others think they should remain here.

Do you think the Marbles should be returned to Greece or should they remain in London?

Should be returned to Greece	49	41	55	49	46	41	53	58	46	52	40	47	53	52	48	51	50	47	45	55	52
Should remain in London	26	43	21	28	31	41	23	23	34	20	23	22	27	32	30	22	28	28	30	21	25
Don't know	24	17	24	23	24	19	24	19	20	28	37	32	21	16	22	27	21	25	26	24	23

It has recently been announced that one statue from the Marbles is being loaned to the Hermitage Museum in St Petersburg, Russia, to help mark the Museum's 250th anniversary.

Generally speaking, do you think it is right or wrong for British museums to lend important pieces like the Marbles to overseas museums?

Right – it allows them to be seen by people in other countries and British museums receive loans of other pieces in return	57	64	52	71	47	56	55	67	63	52	54	52	57	64	63	50	64	57	53	57	61
Wrong – loaning important Museum pieces abroad risks them being damaged in transit or not returned	25	25	30	16	33	27	25	23	23	27	22	22	27	25	24	25	20	28	27	22	24
Don't know	18	11	18	13	19	16	21	10	14	22	24	26	16	11	13	24	16	16	20	21	15

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More specifically, do you think the British Museum is right or wrong to loan part of the Elgin marbles to Russia?

Right	39	47	35	54	38	41	37	43	46	32	29	33	42	45	43	34	38	39	41	39	36
Wrong	37	36	44	22	44	39	38	36	36	39	36	34	38	40	37	38	34	39	38	36	38
Don't know	24	17	22	24	18	21	25	21	18	29	35	33	20	15	21	28	28	22	21	26	26

Western countries have currently imposed economic sanctions on Russia in response to Russia's actions in the Ukraine. Do you think lending part of the Elgin Marbles to Russia does or does not risk undermining these sanctions?

Does risk undermining the sanctions	39	38	45	47	39	42	38	40	37	40	38	40	41	35	40	36	39	42	34	37	43
Does not risk undermining the sanctions	38	45	32	45	39	41	34	43	48	29	36	30	38	47	41	34	39	37	41	38	36
Don't know	23	17	23	8	22	18	28	16	15	31	26	31	22	18	19	29	22	22	25	26	21