

## **YouGov / Women's Aid Refuges**

GB Sample : 31st July - 1st August 2014

***An independent, specialist domestic violence refuge is a safe house where women and children who are experiencing domestic violence are given the opportunity to escape, cope and rebuild their lives after domestic violence. The support available in refuges includes counselling, legal information, support to get a job, medical and healthcare information, support programmes, children's support workers and youth programmes.***

***Data from a national domestic violence charity has shown that many domestic violence refuges are closing down or operating on reserve funds. This is due to funding cuts across the voluntary sector and commissioners that are prioritising emergency accommodation units and outreach programmes over refuges.***

***Some say that victims of domestic violence are one of the most vulnerable groups in Britain and refuges are vital in protecting and rebuilding the lives of victims. Others say that all areas of the voluntary sector have had to deal with funding cuts, and by still funding some provision for domestic violence victims through other emergency accommodation units, those most at immediate risk are still protected.***

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Total	Gender		Age					Social Grade	
Base	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55+	ABC1	C2DE

Based on this information, do you think the Government should do more for each of the following, or do you think it's currently doing as much as it reasonably can? (Please select the option that best applies on each row)

Preserving the national network of domestic violence refuges for women and children

Unweighted base	2118	988	1130	216	233	363	556	750	1146	972
Base: All GB Adults	2118	1017	1101	254	321	377	425	741	1165	953
Should do more	61%	55%	68%	56%	57%	60%	61%	66%	61%	62%
Is currently doing as much as it reasonably can	22%	26%	19%	23%	18%	21%	26%	22%	23%	21%
Unsure	16%	20%	13%	21%	25%	19%	13%	12%	16%	17%

WWR\_q1b. Funding support for women and children who are trying to rebuild their lives after experiencing domestic violence

Unweighted base	2118	988	1130	216	233	363	556	750	1146	972
Base: All GB Adults	2118	1017	1101	254	321	377	425	741	1165	953
Should do more	59%	52%	65%	55%	55%	57%	58%	63%	58%	59%
Is currently doing as much as it reasonably can	24%	27%	22%	24%	22%	22%	27%	25%	25%	23%
Unsure	17%	21%	14%	21%	23%	21%	15%	13%	16%	18%