

YouGov / The Sun Survey Results

Sample Size: 1275 GB Adults
Fieldwork: 3rd - 4th December 2014

	Westminster VI				2010 Vote			Gender		Age				Social Grade		Region					
	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	1275	X	X	X	X	361	326	239	618	657	152	323	436	365	727	548	163	414	273	314	111
Unweighted Sample	1275	325	311	79	175	386	303	260	618	657	80	232	483	480	846	429	165	422	270	277	141
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

In this week's Autumn statement George Osborne announced changes to stamp duty. The changes will alter the way Stamp Duty is calculated so that it is paid on the amount over each threshold, like income tax, not the whole cost of the property as it was in the past.

The effect will be to reduce the amount of stamp duty paid on property costing under £937,500, and increase the amount of stamp duty paid on property costing more than £937,500.

Generally speaking, do you think this is a good or bad idea?

A good idea	74	91	66	84	77	86	69	78	74	74	56	71	73	85	80	66	73	75	72	77	67
A bad idea	7	3	14	7	6	3	11	10	9	6	12	9	6	5	8	7	6	9	8	4	9
Don't know	19	6	20	9	18	11	20	13	17	21	32	20	21	10	13	27	20	16	20	19	24

Thinking about the effect on the property market, do you think that that the changes to stamp duty will end up making property prices increase more quickly, increase less quickly, or not make much difference?

Will end up making prices increase more quickly	23	15	32	33	26	19	30	28	25	20	13	22	23	27	26	18	22	24	22	21	23
Will end up making prices increase less quickly	12	16	9	10	17	14	13	10	12	12	18	10	9	13	12	12	14	10	12	13	15
Will not make much difference	42	53	36	43	45	47	38	42	46	38	27	37	48	45	44	39	34	47	39	43	41
Don't know	24	15	23	13	12	20	18	20	17	30	42	31	19	15	19	30	30	19	26	24	21

If house prices do increase more quickly as a result of changes to stamp duty, do you think this would be...

A good thing - it would help the property market and get the economy going again	16	30	10	8	18	26	11	9	17	14	14	15	18	14	17	14	16	14	17	15	21
A bad thing - it would make it harder for people to buy homes and risk another housing bubble	58	49	67	61	61	52	67	66	60	56	54	55	58	62	61	53	53	61	61	58	46
Neither	11	10	11	15	12	11	12	10	12	10	5	9	11	14	10	12	12	12	8	8	16
Don't know	15	11	12	16	9	12	10	15	11	20	26	21	12	11	11	21	19	12	14	19	17