

BBC Daily Politics Show Poll

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	Sex			Age									Social Class				Region				
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	18-34	35-54	55+	AB	C1	C2	DE	South East	Mid-lands	North Eng-land	Wales & South West	Scot-land
Unweighted base	1023	439	584	101	172	234	193	165	158	273	427	323	334	214	188	287	272	267	251	141	92
Weighted base	1023	491	532	113	174	205	174	153	205	286	378	358	256	297	215	256	273	267	251	143	90
<u>The NHS has got better in the past ten years</u>																					
Agree	411	234	177	53	62	74	63	58	102	115	136	160	100	128	73	109	115	104	100	55	37
	40%	48%	33%	47%	36%	36%	36%	38%	50%	40%	36%	45%	39%	43%	34%	43%	42%	39%	40%	39%	42%
Disagree	550	230	321	52	93	115	104	91	95	145	219	187	141	149	125	135	141	150	134	78	47
	54%	47%	60%	46%	54%	56%	60%	59%	47%	51%	58%	52%	55%	50%	58%	53%	52%	56%	53%	55%	53%
Don't know	61	27	34	8	19	16	7	5	7	26	23	12	14	19	16	12	17	13	18	9	5
	6%	6%	6%	7%	11%	8%	4%	3%	3%	9%	6%	3%	6%	6%	7%	5%	6%	5%	7%	6%	6%
<u>The Labour Government has wasted most of the extra money they've put into the NHS</u>																					
Agree	533	252	281	60	86	91	98	82	115	145	190	197	132	153	117	131	147	134	127	73	52
	52%	51%	53%	53%	49%	45%	57%	54%	56%	51%	50%	55%	52%	52%	54%	51%	54%	50%	51%	51%	58%
Disagree	388	197	191	38	68	89	65	56	72	106	153	129	94	118	82	94	95	108	102	53	30
	38%	40%	36%	34%	39%	43%	37%	37%	35%	37%	41%	36%	37%	40%	38%	37%	35%	41%	40%	37%	33%
Don't know	102	42	60	14	21	24	11	15	17	35	35	32	29	26	16	31	30	24	23	17	8
	10%	9%	11%	13%	12%	12%	6%	10%	8%	12%	9%	9%	12%	9%	8%	12%	11%	9%	9%	12%	9%
<u>I don't care whether health services like hip operations are provided by the public or private sector, so long as the service is free, fast and effective</u>																					
Agree	865	417	448	93	139	171	152	136	174	232	323	310	213	253	186	214	235	230	212	118	69
	85%	85%	84%	82%	80%	84%	87%	89%	85%	81%	85%	87%	83%	85%	86%	84%	86%	86%	84%	83%	77%
Disagree	132	65	67	16	29	29	20	15	22	45	49	37	40	35	24	32	30	31	33	22	16
	13%	13%	13%	14%	17%	14%	11%	10%	11%	16%	13%	10%	16%	12%	11%	12%	11%	12%	13%	15%	18%
Don't know	27	9	17	4	6	4	3	3	8	9	6	11	3	9	5	11	8	5	6	2	5
	3%	2%	3%	3%	3%	2%	1%	2%	4%	3%	2%	3%	1%	3%	2%	4%	3%	2%	3%	2%	5%

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<u>Taxes in Britain are too high, and tax rates should be cut even if that means the government having to cut back spending on public services like the NHS</u>																					
Agree	311	174	138	43	63	53	48	44	60	106	101	105	68	104	57	82	82	94	68	37	32
	30%	35%	26%	38%	36%	26%	27%	29%	30%	37%	27%	29%	27%	35%	27%	32%	30%	35%	27%	26%	35%
Disagree	659	306	353	65	102	144	119	102	127	167	264	229	176	182	146	155	176	157	172	101	53
	64%	62%	66%	58%	59%	71%	69%	67%	62%	58%	70%	64%	69%	61%	68%	60%	64%	59%	68%	71%	59%
Don't know	53	11	42	5	9	7	7	7	18	14	14	25	12	11	11	19	15	16	12	5	5
	5%	2%	8%	4%	5%	3%	4%	4%	9%	5%	4%	7%	4%	4%	5%	7%	6%	6%	5%	3%	6%