

YouGov Survey Results

Sample Size: 1942 GB Adults
Fieldwork: 11th - 12th August 2014

	Westminster VI					2010 Vote			Gender		Age				Social Grade		Region				
Total	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	1942	X	X	X	X	579	465	425	942	1000	231	491	664	555	1107	835	249	631	416	478	169
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The British government has authorised emergency airdrops of humanitarian aid (mainly food and water) by the RAF to thousands of Iraqis who are members of religious minority groups that have fled attacks by the group Islamic State (formerly called ISIS). Do you approve or disapprove of this decision to use the RAF to make humanitarian aid drops in Iraq?

Approve	74	73	78	80	83	60	75	78	78	77	69	66	62	75	83	77	67	68	73	74	71	81
Disapprove	12	12	11	9	9	24	13	9	9	11	12	12	15	11	9	10	13	13	11	11	13	9
Don't know	15	16	11	12	8	16	12	13	13	12	19	22	23	14	8	13	20	19	16	15	16	10

US President Obama has also authorised American air strikes against Islamic State/ISIS in this region of Iraq to prevent the killing of the religious minorities and to protect American personnel in the region. Do you approve or disapprove of this decision?

Approve	54	57	68	60	58	57	68	61	50	66	48	47	46	58	68	58	55	53	58	55	58	61
Disapprove	20	18	13	17	26	22	12	16	25	15	20	22	19	19	14	18	18	17	17	19	17	20
Don't know	26	25	19	24	17	21	20	23	24	19	32	30	34	23	18	24	28	30	25	26	25	19

And would you approve or disapprove of the RAF taking part in air strike operations against Islamic State/ISIS?

Approve	37	40	47	44	43	43	48	44	34	53	28	37	36	41	44	42	37	32	42	39	41	43
Disapprove	36	36	33	34	41	43	32	35	42	29	42	29	31	36	43	36	36	36	34	37	35	41
Don't know	27	24	20	22	15	14	20	21	24	18	30	34	33	23	13	22	27	32	24	24	24	16

And would you approve or disapprove of Britain supplying arms to the Iraqi and Kurdish forces fighting Islamic State/ISIS?

Approve	28	36	32	28	33	35	33	22	39	19	24	21	30	36	32	24	28	28	30	25	36
Disapprove	44	42	44	50	48	41	42	49	38	49	45	45	43	43	43	45	41	47	40	44	44
Don't know	28	23	24	22	19	25	24	28	23	32	32	34	27	21	25	31	31	25	30	31	20

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Thinking about the decisions that Western countries have made in the Middle East in recent years and their LONG-TERM impact, do you think the following decisions have made things better or worse?

Western countries' decision to send troops into Iraq and overthrow Saddam Hussein

Probably made things better in the long term	19	19	24	24	18	10	20	23	15	19	19	22	24	17	15	20	18	12	20	18	23	19
Probably made things worse in the long term	50	47	50	46	50	63	52	43	50	51	43	40	33	51	58	49	45	51	47	46	44	55
Probably didn't make much impact either way in the long term	16	17	17	16	19	16	17	19	18	17	17	11	16	18	19	17	18	16	19	17	16	16
Don't know	15	17	9	15	13	11	11	15	17	12	21	27	27	14	7	14	20	21	14	20	18	10

Western countries' decision to send troops into Afghanistan and overthrow the Taliban

Probably made things better in the long term	23	22	27	28	16	13	24	28	16	24	20	28	24	22	18	24	19	22	20	21	24	23
Probably made things worse in the long term	38	36	36	33	47	45	35	31	44	37	34	30	29	38	41	36	35	32	35	37	34	43
Probably didn't make much impact either way in the long term	24	24	27	23	26	31	29	25	21	25	23	12	19	25	33	24	24	22	28	22	22	22
Don't know	16	18	10	16	11	10	12	16	18	14	23	29	28	16	9	16	22	24	17	20	19	11

Western countries' decision NOT to intervene militarily in Syria

Probably made things better in the long term	17	13	17	14	10	22	15	14	9	15	11	18	10	14	13	13	13	10	14	13	13	13
Probably made things worse in the long term	27	24	24	27	25	20	21	29	24	29	18	21	25	24	23	25	21	27	21	23	26	21
Probably didn't make much impact either way in the long term	32	34	40	32	42	35	40	32	37	34	34	23	26	37	42	34	34	30	36	31	33	45
Don't know	25	29	19	27	22	23	24	25	30	22	36	38	39	26	22	27	32	33	29	33	27	21

Western countries' decision to give support to the rebels in Libya, who ultimately overthrew Colonel Gaddafi

Probably made things better in the long term	23	21	26	25	25	13	22	23	19	22	20	26	20	21	19	22	20	19	20	20	23	23
Probably made things worse in the long term	32	30	32	28	27	41	33	28	28	35	25	23	23	32	37	30	29	35	28	30	27	34
Probably didn't make much impact either way in the long term	19	22	24	19	33	26	24	23	24	24	20	14	18	24	26	23	21	17	26	21	19	22
Don't know	26	28	18	28	16	19	21	26	29	19	35	37	39	24	18	25	31	29	25	29	30	21