

YouGov / TUC Fabian Society Survey Results

Sample Size: 1967 GB Adults

Fieldwork: 24th - 25th October 2010

	Voting intention			Housing tenure				
	Total	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Own home outright	Own with mortgage	Social housing	Privately rented
Weighted Sample	1967	623	617	176	602	709	257	286
Unweighted Sample	1967	598	584	191	629	747	230	270
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Which of the following best describes you and your immediate household's normal financial circumstances these days, after taking account of all your regular commitments (including housing costs such as rent or mortgage payments)?

A - Income is normally comfortably higher than spending; I/we generally have a significant amount left over	7	9	5	9	12	6	2	7
B - Income is normally slightly higher than spending; I/we generally have a little left over	21	29	18	19	28	22	10	13
C - Income is normally about the same as spending; but if my/our income were to fall by, say, a tenth, I/we could cut back to some extent without real difficulty	20	23	20	26	22	21	14	22
D - Income is normally about the same as spending; but if my/our income were to fall by, say, a tenth, this would cause me/us real difficulty	29	24	33	32	21	31	44	31
E - Income is normally less than spending, but this does not cause me/us much concern as I/we have savings or other funds, or can increase borrowing without much trouble	4	4	3	3	4	4	2	5
F - Income is normally less than spending, and this causes me/us real concern	14	9	18	7	8	13	22	18
G - Don't know	5	2	3	4	5	3	6	4

Have you ever found that the stress of maintaining mortgage payments or rent payments has affected your performance at work?

[Excluding those who have never looked for work or have never paid rent or a mortgage]

Yes - such stress has affected me on at least one occasion	25	19	29	23	14	23	31	39
No - it has not	72	79	69	74	84	75	60	54
Don't know	3	1	3	3	2	1	9	7

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Taking into account current pressures on public spending, to what extent do you agree that Government should provide a stronger 'safety net' for homeowners who face difficulties with their housing costs or face repossession?

Strongly agree	21	12	33	19	22	26	12	13
Tend to agree	39	42	38	36	35	41	40	43
TOTAL AGREE	60	54	71	55	57	67	52	56
Neither agree nor disagree	19	22	14	24	20	16	25	20
Tend to disagree	10	15	5	14	12	8	6	13
Strongly disagree	3	4	2	2	3	2	3	3
TOTAL DISAGREE	13	19	7	16	15	10	9	16
Don't know	9	5	8	6	8	7	14	8

Taking into account current pressures on public spending, to what extent do you agree that Government should provide a stronger 'safety net' for rent-payers who face difficulties with their housing costs or face repossession?

Strongly agree	18	7	32	13	16	18	19	22
Tend to agree	38	39	39	42	36	37	44	38
TOTAL AGREE	56	46	71	55	52	55	63	60
Neither agree nor disagree	21	27	13	27	24	21	20	21
Tend to disagree	12	17	8	13	12	14	6	11
Strongly disagree	3	5	1	1	4	3	1	1
TOTAL DISAGREE	15	22	9	14	16	17	7	12
Don't know	8	5	7	5	7	7	10	7