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Topline Results

Fieldwork: 13th – 15th April 2013

Technical Details

Ipsos MORI interviewed a representative sample of 1,010 adults aged 18+ across Great Britain. Interviews were conducted by telephone 13th – 15th April 2013. Data are weighted to match the profile of the population.

Where percentages do not sum to 100 this may be due to computer rounding, the exclusion of "don't know" categories, or multiple answers. An asterisk (*) denotes any value of less than half a per cent.

Q15 **To what extent, if at all, do you agree or disagree with the following statement?**

"There is no such thing as society"

Base:(SPLIT SAMPLE) 511 British adults 18+

	%
Strongly agree	8
Tend to agree	8
Neither agree nor disagree	6
Tend to disagree	26
Strongly disagree	48
Don't know	4
Total Agree	**16**
Total Disagree	**74**
Net Agree	**-58**

To what extent, if at all, do you agree or disagree with the following statement?

"We've been through a period where too many people have been given to understand that if they have a problem, it's the government's job to cope with it. 'I have a problem, I'll get a grant.' 'I'm homeless, the government must house me.' They're casting their problem on society. And there is no such thing as society. There are individual men and women, and there are families. And no government can do anything except through people, and people must look to themselves first. It's our duty to look after ourselves and then, also to look after our neighbour. People have got the entitlements too much in mind, without the obligations."

Base: (SPLIT SAMPLE) 499 British adults 18+

	%
Strongly agree	30
Tend to agree	33
Neither agree nor disagree	10
Tend to disagree	12
Strongly disagree	13
Don't know	3
Total Agree	**63**
Total Disagree	**25**
Net Agree	**+38**