

Junior Doctors Strikes Survey CATI Fieldwork : 8th - 10th January 2016

Absolutes/col percents

Sample: England Only

Table 1

Q1. As you may be aware, junior doctors are planning strike action in England. If they go on strike, would you support or oppose junior doctors striking if they still provided emergency care?

Base: All respondents

	Total	Gender		Age						Class				Region			
		Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	North	Mid-lands	London	South
Unweighted base	869	449	420	82	136	151	162	142	196	336	197	124	212	244	254	136	235
Weighted base	865	432	432	100	148	144	156	127	189	238	234	183	211	242	262	132	228
NET: Support	571 66%	263 61%	307 71%	54 54%	91 61%	96 66%	112 72%	97 76%	120 64%	164 69%	147 63%	108 59%	151 72%	160 66%	175 67%	88 66%	148 65%
Strongly support	(5) 357 41%	163 38%	195 45%	33 33%	61 42%	59 41%	83 54%	60 47%	61 32%	104 44%	87 37%	72 39%	94 45%	108 45%	103 40%	55 42%	90 39%
Tend to support	(4) 214 25%	101 23%	113 26%	21 21%	29 20%	37 25%	29 19%	37 29%	60 32%	60 25%	37 26%	57 20%	57 27%	51 21%	71 27%	33 25%	58 26%
Neither support nor oppose	(3) 129 15%	77 18%	52 12%	29 29%	29 20%	21 15%	19 12%	10 8%	21 11%	27 11%	40 17%	36 20%	25 12%	41 17%	38 15%	17 13%	33 14%
Tend to oppose	(2) 64 7%	37 9%	27 6%	3 3%	14 9%	5 4%	16 10%	8 6%	18 10%	17 7%	22 9%	15 8%	10 5%	10 4%	20 8%	12 9%	21 9%
Strongly oppose	(1) 70 8%	38 9%	32 7%	8 8%	5 3%	18 12%	8 5%	9 7%	23 12%	24 10%	14 6%	17 9%	16 7%	24 10%	21 8%	10 8%	14 6%
NET: Oppose	134 16%	75 17%	59 14%	11 11%	18 12%	23 16%	24 15%	17 14%	41 22%	41 17%	36 15%	32 17%	26 12%	35 14%	42 16%	22 17%	35 16%
Don't know	31 4%	17 4%	14 3%	6 6%	10 7%	4 3%	1 *	3 3%	7 4%	5 2%	11 5%	6 3%	8 4%	7 3%	7 3%	5 4%	12 5%
Mean	3.87	3.75	3.98	3.73	3.94	3.81	4.06	4.06	3.64	3.88	3.83	3.75	4.01	3.89	3.85	3.87	3.87
Standard deviation	1.28	1.30	1.24	1.21	1.16	1.36	1.24	1.22	1.36	1.33	1.23	1.32	1.22	1.32	1.27	1.29	1.24
Standard error	0.04	0.06	0.06	0.14	0.10	0.11	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.07	0.09	0.12	0.09	0.09	0.08	0.11	0.08

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		Support	Oppose	Pay	Work	Contract	Politics
Unweighted base	869	586	131	516	559	79	60
Weighted base	865	571	134	515	550	69	66
NET: Support	571 66%	571 100%	-	365 71%	416 76%	54 79%	45 68%
Strongly support	(5) 357 41%	357 63%	-	235 46%	262 48%	36 51%	34 51%
Tend to support	(4) 214 25%	214 37%	-	130 25%	154 28%	19 27%	11 17%
Neither support nor oppose	(3) 129 15%	-	-	61 12%	55 10%	5 7%	4 7%
Tend to oppose	(2) 64 7%	-	64 48%	37 7%	33 6%	5 7%	9 14%
Strongly oppose	(1) 70 8%	-	70 52%	43 8%	36 7%	4 6%	6 10%
NET: Oppose	134 16%	-	134 100%	80 15%	69 13%	9 13%	15 23%
Don't know	31 4%	-	-	10 2%	10 2%	1 1%	1 1%
Mean	3.87	4.63	1.48	3.94	4.06	4.13	3.88
Standard deviation	1.28	0.48	0.50	1.28	1.19	1.19	1.43
Standard error	0.04	0.02	0.04	0.06	0.05	0.13	0.19

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Q2. And would you support or oppose junior doctors striking if they did not provide emergency care? Emergency care from other staff would still be available.**Base: All respondents**

	Gender			Age						Class				Region			
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	North	Mid-lands	London	South
Unweighted base	869	449	420	82	136	151	162	142	196	336	197	124	212	244	254	136	235
Weighted base	865	432	432	100	148	144	156	127	189	238	234	183	211	242	262	132	228
NET: Support	377	167	210	36	59	68	84	60	69	102	98	78	99	112	117	53	94
	44%	39%	49%	36%	40%	47%	54%	47%	37%	43%	42%	43%	47%	46%	45%	40%	41%
Strongly support	(5) 208	91	117	17	30	40	58	32	31	58	55	41	54	70	66	26	46
	24%	21%	27%	17%	20%	28%	38%	26%	16%	24%	24%	23%	26%	29%	25%	20%	20%
Tend to support	(4) 169	76	93	19	30	28	25	28	39	45	43	37	45	42	51	27	48
	20%	18%	21%	19%	20%	19%	16%	22%	20%	19%	18%	20%	21%	17%	20%	20%	21%
Neither support nor oppose	(3) 119	83	36	37	25	17	14	12	15	28	34	29	29	38	29	16	36
	14%	19%	8%	37%	17%	12%	9%	9%	8%	12%	14%	16%	14%	16%	11%	12%	16%
Tend to oppose	(2) 143	69	74	11	22	24	23	23	40	36	43	30	35	36	58	19	31
	17%	16%	17%	11%	15%	16%	15%	18%	21%	15%	18%	16%	16%	15%	22%	14%	13%
Strongly oppose	(1) 192	98	94	12	32	32	33	29	53	66	49	39	38	49	48	42	54
	22%	23%	22%	12%	22%	22%	21%	22%	28%	28%	21%	21%	18%	20%	18%	32%	23%
NET: Oppose	335	167	169	23	54	56	57	52	93	103	92	69	73	85	105	61	84
	39%	39%	39%	23%	37%	39%	36%	41%	49%	43%	39%	38%	34%	35%	40%	46%	37%
Don't know	33	15	18	4	9	3	2	3	12	5	11	7	11	7	10	2	14
	4%	4%	4%	4%	6%	2%	1%	2%	6%	2%	5%	4%	5%	3%	4%	1%	6%
Mean	3.07	2.98	3.15	3.17	3.02	3.14	3.34	3.10	2.74	2.96	3.06	3.07	3.21	3.21	3.12	2.82	3.01
Standard deviation	1.52	1.47	1.56	1.23	1.48	1.56	1.61	1.54	1.51	1.58	1.50	1.49	1.48	1.52	1.49	1.56	1.50
Standard error	0.05	0.07	0.08	0.14	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.11	0.09	0.11	0.14	0.10	0.10	0.13	0.10	0.10

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NET: Support	377 44%	360 63%	10 8%	239 46%	277 50%	36 52%	32 49%
Strongly support	(5) 208 24%	200 35%	7 5%	135 26%	158 29%	16 22%	18 27%
Tend to support	(4) 169 20%	160 28%	4 3%	104 20%	119 22%	21 30%	14 22%
Neither support nor oppose	(3) 119 14%	40 7%	2 2%	66 13%	52 9%	3 4%	4 6%
Tend to oppose	(2) 143 17%	83 15%	29 22%	80 15%	95 17%	12 18%	13 20%
Strongly oppose	(1) 192 22%	80 14%	93 69%	120 23%	115 21%	16 23%	16 24%
NET: Oppose	335 39%	163 29%	122 91%	199 39%	210 38%	28 41%	29 44%
Don't know	33 4%	8 1%	- -	11 2%	10 2%	2 2%	1 1%
Mean	3.07	3.56	1.52	3.11	3.20	3.11	3.09
Standard deviation	1.52	1.45	1.02	1.54	1.54	1.54	1.59
Standard error	0.05	0.06	0.09	0.07	0.07	0.18	0.21

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Q3. And why do you think junior doctors are planning to strike?

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	Gender			Age						Class				Region			
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	North	Mid-lands	London	South
Unweighted base	869	449	420	82	136	151	162	142	196	336	197	124	212	244	254	136	235
Weighted base	865	432	432	100	148	144	156	127	189	238	234	183	211	242	262	132	228
NET: Work	550	255	295	48	74	92	113	94	128	151	148	108	143	149	174	85	142
	64%	59%	68%	48%	50%	64%	72%	74%	68%	64%	63%	59%	68%	61%	66%	64%	62%
Long hours	402	179	223	35	50	59	86	80	90	98	115	82	106	117	128	58	98
	46%	41%	51%	35%	34%	41%	55%	63%	48%	41%	49%	45%	51%	48%	49%	44%	43%
Working conditions	154	79	75	11	28	25	27	35	27	46	34	37	36	35	54	27	38
	18%	18%	17%	11%	19%	17%	18%	28%	15%	20%	15%	20%	17%	14%	21%	20%	16%
The unsociable hours (working weekends/ evenings)	142	61	81	15	15	25	35	20	33	39	40	25	39	30	51	23	39
	16%	14%	19%	15%	10%	17%	22%	16%	18%	16%	17%	14%	18%	12%	20%	17%	17%
Safety of patients at risk	19	8	12	1	5	3	6	3	2	8	5	1	5	3	8	3	5
	2%	2%	3%	1%	3%	2%	4%	2%	1%	4%	2%	*	2%	1%	3%	2%	2%
Safety of healthcare staff at risk	8	3	5	-	1	1	3	*	1	3	1	-	3	1	4	1	1
	1%	1%	1%	-	1%	1%	2%	*	1%	1%	1%	-	1%	*	2%	1%	1%
NET: Pay	515	250	265	63	94	93	88	81	96	148	138	102	128	143	152	88	133
	60%	58%	61%	63%	64%	65%	56%	64%	51%	62%	59%	56%	61%	59%	58%	67%	58%
Pay	236	108	128	18	39	46	42	38	52	76	67	40	53	67	74	33	62
	27%	25%	30%	18%	26%	32%	27%	30%	27%	32%	29%	22%	25%	27%	28%	25%	27%
Junior doctors are poorly paid	208	92	116	24	48	32	37	30	37	45	57	44	61	53	61	36	58
	24%	21%	27%	24%	33%	22%	24%	23%	20%	19%	24%	24%	29%	22%	23%	27%	25%
Cuts to pay of junior doctors / changes to pay of junior doctors generally	79	47	33	12	18	17	8	10	14	27	17	18	18	23	25	16	15
	9%	11%	8%	12%	12%	12%	5%	8%	7%	11%	7%	10%	8%	10%	10%	12%	7%
Cuts to overtime pay of junior doctors / changes to overtime pay	50	23	27	10	6	10	12	7	5	14	14	8	13	18	9	6	17
	6%	5%	6%	10%	4%	7%	8%	6%	3%	6%	6%	5%	6%	7%	4%	5%	7%
NET: Contract	69	37	33	7	9	15	13	11	14	29	25	7	8	20	18	11	19
	8%	8%	8%	7%	6%	10%	8%	9%	7%	12%	11%	4%	4%	8%	7%	9%	8%
It's about their contract	69	37	33	7	9	15	13	11	14	29	25	7	8	20	18	11	19
	8%	8%	8%	7%	6%	10%	8%	9%	7%	12%	11%	4%	4%	8%	7%	9%	8%
NET: Politics	66	35	31	8	14	13	8	9	13	19	26	9	13	20	18	12	15
	8%	8%	7%	8%	10%	9%	5%	7%	7%	8%	11%	5%	6%	8%	7%	9%	7%
They dislike the government/disagree with government	38	25	13	3	4	9	7	8	7	13	14	4	7	13	12	4	10
	4%	6%	3%	3%	3%	7%	5%	6%	3%	5%	6%	2%	4%	5%	4%	3%	4%

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Weighted base	865	432	432	100	148	144	156	127	189	238	234	183	211	242	262	132	228
Disagreement over seven day services in the NHS	24 3%	8 2%	16 4%	5 5%	10 7%	1 1%	1 *	1 1%	5 3%	4 2%	11 5%	5 3%	4 2%	7 3%	6 2%	6 4%	5 2%
Professional organisations/unions are driving forward strike action	7 1%	4 1%	3 1%	-	-	3 2%	-	1 1%	3 2%	4 2%	1 1%	-	2 1%	2 1%	1 *	3 2%	1 1%
Other	73 8%	33 8%	41 9%	6 6%	18 12%	13 9%	9 6%	13 10%	14 7%	16 7%	16 7%	25 14%	16 7%	21 9%	22 8%	10 7%	21 9%
Don't know	80 9%	42 10%	38 9%	25 25%	20 13%	14 10%	5 3%	4 3%	13 7%	17 7%	22 9%	20 11%	20 10%	28 12%	23 9%	4 3%	24 10%

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NET: Work	550	416	69	357	550	39	27
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Long hours	402	306	48	264	402	26	17
	46%	54%	35%	51%	73%	38%	26%
Working conditions	154	118	22	90	154	7	7
	18%	21%	16%	17%	28%	10%	11%
The unsociable hours (working weekends/ evenings)	142	113	18	88	142	13	14
	16%	20%	14%	17%	26%	18%	21%
Safety of patients at risk	19	19	*	10	19	1	2
	2%	3%	*	2%	4%	2%	4%
Safety of healthcare staff at risk	8	7	-	3	8	1	3
	1%	1%	-	1%	1%	1%	5%
NET: Pay	515	365	80	515	357	34	34
	60%	64%	59%	100%	65%	49%	52%
Pay	236	164	39	236	163	19	13
	27%	29%	29%	46%	30%	28%	20%
Junior doctors are poorly paid	208	159	27	208	154	8	16
	24%	28%	20%	40%	28%	11%	24%
Cuts to pay of junior doctors / changes to pay of junior doctors generally	79	52	13	79	50	10	3
	9%	9%	9%	15%	9%	14%	5%
Cuts to overtime pay of junior doctors / changes to overtime pay	50	40	5	50	31	5	7
	6%	7%	4%	10%	6%	8%	11%
NET: Contract	69	54	9	34	39	69	11
	8%	10%	7%	7%	7%	100%	17%
It's about their contract	69	54	9	34	39	69	11
	8%	10%	7%	7%	7%	100%	17%
NET: Politics	66	45	15	34	27	11	66
	8%	8%	11%	7%	5%	16%	100%
They dislike the government/disagree with government	38	33	4	19	19	5	38
	4%	6%	3%	4%	3%	7%	58%
Disagreement over seven day services in the NHS	24	12	7	16	9	6	24
	3%	2%	5%	3%	2%	9%	36%

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