

Views of Westminster Questions

Topline Results, 3rd October 2014

- All fieldwork was undertaken from 26th September – 3rd October 2014
- In total, 1,967 interviews were completed face-to-face with adults aged 15+ across Great Britain.
- Where percentages do not sum to 100, this may be due to computer rounding, multiple responses or the exclusion of 'don't know' categories.
- Data are weighted to match the profile of the population.
- * represents figures greater than 0 but less than 0.5%
- Questions are based on all respondents (1967) except where stated.

Q1 I would now like to ask you some questions about the way Britain is governed. How strongly, if at all, do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

	The UK Government acts in the best interests of people like me	Local government acts in the best interests of people like me	The European Parliament acts in the best interests of people like me	Westminster MPs have too much influence on my area	Local politicians have too much influence on my area
	%	%	%	%	%
Strongly agree	2	3	2	11	7
Tend to agree	19	23	10	18	18
Neither agree nor disagree	24	28	24	33	32
Tend to disagree	26	24	23	18	26
Strongly disagree	23	14	31	5	5
Don't know	6	7	11	14	12
Agree	21	26	12	29	25
Disagree	49	38	54	23	31

Q1 cont

Government does not spend enough time listening to the views of individual members of the public		
	2007	October 2014
	%	%
Strongly agree	39	34
Tend to agree	35	30
Neither agree nor disagree	14	18
Tend to disagree	6	9
Strongly disagree	1	4
Don't know	5	6
Agree	74	64
Disagree	7	13

Q2 How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the way that Parliament works?

	<i>Apr 1995</i>	<i>Aug 2000</i>	<i>May 2001</i>	<i>Dec 2003</i>	<i>Nov 2006</i>	<i>May 2009</i>	<i>Nov 2009</i>	<i>Dec 2010</i>	Oct 2014
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Very satisfied	2	4	4	1	2	2	1	1	2
Fairly satisfied	32	39	41	35	33	18	32	26	22
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	27	19	16	27	24	11	24	33	26
Fairly dissatisfied	22	21	19	23	24	30	25	24	24
Very dissatisfied	9	8	11	9	9	33	13	11	20
Don't know	8	10	9	5	8	6	4	4	6
Satisfied	34	43	45	36	35	20	33	27	24
Dissatisfied	31	29	30	32	33	63	38	35	44

**In 1995 and 2000, asked as "To what extent are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way each is doing its job these days? The way Parliament works"*

**In 2001, asked as "To what extent are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way each is doing its job these days? The way the Westminster Parliament works"*

***In May 2009, asked as "Q To what extent are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way each is doing its job these days? The Westminster Parliament"*