

## UNITED KINGDOM TOPLINE SUMMARY

- This data is based on 4,572 adults aged 18+ across the United Kingdom. We interviewed 2,202 adults in England, 962 in Scotland (including 262 16 and 17 year olds), 701 in Wales and 707 in Northern Ireland.
- Interviewing took place between 6 and 28 May 2016 by telephone.
- Data are weighted to match the profile of UK regions. Iterative weighting was applied to match the sample breakdown within each Government Office Region (GOR) to the known 18+ population by gender, age (2014 estimates) and ethnicity (census breakdown). Additionally, within Wales and Scotland, demographic weighting was applied at a sub-regional level to reflect the wide disparity in linguistic and population density statistics across both of these countries. The sub-regions used are former NUTS areas, and are detailed in the individual reports for each country. Northern Ireland was treated as a single entity. A multiplier was then attached to the demographically-weighted data for each GOR/sub-region to reflect their relative contribution to the population.
- Where results do not sum to 100, this is due to multiple responses, computer rounding or the exclusion of don't knows/not stated.
- Results are based on all respondents unless otherwise stated. Base sizes are in brackets.
- An asterisk (\*) represents a value of less than one half of one percent, but not zero.

Hello, my name is [INTERVIEWER NAME] I'm calling on behalf of the Electoral Commission from BMG Research.

I'm calling to carry out an important survey on electoral registration and voting. All of your responses will be treated in the strictest of confidence. Can I ask you some questions please?

QC1 Could I just quickly confirm that your name is [RESPONDENT NAME HERE]?

IF: No	Specify
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QS1 What was your age on May 5<sup>th</sup> 2016?

IF: Refuse	CLOSE
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QS2 From which country or countries do you have or are you eligible to hold a passport?  
INTERVIEWER NOTE: IF RESPONDENT DOESN'T UNDERSTAND QUESTION, ASK ARE YOU A UK NATIONAL OR ARE YOU A CITIZEN ELSEWHERE?]

IF: Other /Don't know/Refuse	CLOSE
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QS3 Including yourself, how many people live in your household?

IF: Refuse	CLOSE
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## REGISTRATION, TURNOUT AND VOTING

⇒ ASK ALL

Q1 As far as you know, is your name on the electoral register, that is, the official list of people who can vote, either where you are living now or somewhere else?

	2016	2015	2014
	%	%	%
Yes - where living now	95	94	93
Yes - somewhere else / another address	2	2	2
No	1	3	4
Don't know	2	1	2

QC1 Could I also confirm that the postcode of the place that you are registered to vote at is [RESPONDENT POSTCODE HERE]?

IF: incorrect	Lookup postcode
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⇒ **ASK NOT REGISTERED ONLY**

**Q2 People have many reasons for not registering to vote. Why have you not registered to vote? DO NOT READ OUT.**

	2016 % (40)*	2015 %
Just moved/Just about to move	2	6
Don't see the point in registering/voting/don't want to vote	4	13
Haven't got round to it	4	11
More convenient/prefer to be registered at second home	0	0
Not eligible for reason(s) other than age	2	24
I actively dislike politicians/politics and refuse to vote	*	9
I didn't receive any forms	1	6
Not eligible for reason(s) other than nationality	0	9
Admin/clerical error	2	2
Not bothered - uninterested in politics	26	17
Don't know how to register to vote	0	3
Lack of information on parties/politics	16	9
I ran out time/too busy	4	10
Health reasons/illness	0	1
Politics makes no difference so no point	1	-
I didn't know I had to/thought I could do it on the day	*	-
Too difficult/complicated	0	2
Removed from the register due to new system (e.g. received a letter telling me I needed to re-register)	0	1
Not eligible because of age	0	-
Because you cannot register to vote online	0	*
Other	27	4
Refused	2	n/a
No answer	0	*
Don't know	13	*

*\*CAUTION LOW BASE SIZE*

⇒ **ASK ALL**

**Q3 How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the procedure for getting your name on the list of those people who are registered to vote? Are you.....READ OUT**

	2016 %	2015 %	2014 %
Very satisfied	60	62	57
Fairly satisfied	28	23	26
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	8	7	11
Fairly dissatisfied	1	2	1
Very dissatisfied	1	3	2
Don't know	3	3	3

**ASK IF VERY/FAIRLY DISSATISFIED**

**Q4 Why are you dissatisfied with the system of registering to vote in Great Britain/Northern Ireland?**

	2016 % (67)
<b>IER Issues</b>	<b>39</b>
I preferred the old system/household form/don't like registering myself	22
I didn't like having to provide additional personal/extra information to confirm my registration	2
I didn't understand why I wasn't registered after I had filled in one form already (the Household Registration Form - HEF)	6
I didn't like receiving so many forms	9
<b>Difficult/confusing</b>	<b>18</b>
It is not easy/they could make it easier	5
It is too confusing/I don't understand the system/ I was confused by the changes in how I have to register	11
EONI/Council should automatically update the register when I move or use other services	4
I'm not sure how to check if I am already registered	*
They do not promote/advertise where/when to register	3
I don't know how to register to vote	*
<b>It is inconvenient</b>	<b>9</b>
You should be able to register to vote online	0
It is cumbersome/takes too long	9
You should be able to register to vote over the telephone	0
<b>Mistakes/problems</b>	<b>13</b>
The post is unreliable	1
The EONI/Council makes mistakes with my personal details	9
I thought I was registered to vote but was not able to vote on the day	3
<b>Not secure</b>	<b>0</b>
The system of registering to vote is open to fraud and abuse	0
<b>Other</b>	<b>34</b>
There is no point voting / voting makes no difference	4
I do not know where I can get information about the process of registering to vote	0
Everyone should be automatically registered to vote from birth	3

There should be more limitations on who can vote	0
It should be compulsory to register to vote/everyone should have to register	0
It is harder for students to vote	3
People can be taken off the electoral roll without their knowledge	9
Young people should be able to vote	1
Other	20
Don't know	6

⇒ **ASK ALL**

**Q5** As you may know, on Thursday May 5th there was/were ...[ INSERT APPROPRIATE ELECTION] Many people have told us they didn't manage to vote on 5 May. We often find that a lot of people were not able to vote because they were sick, did not have the time, or were just not interested. How about you – did you manage to vote in the.....**READ OUT AS APPROPRIATE**

		Yes	No	DK
<b>OVERALL</b>				
SCOTLAND ONLY: Scottish Parliament elections	2016	85	15	*
NI ONLY: Northern Ireland Assembly elections	2016	79	21	0
WALES ONLY: National Assembly for Wales elections AND Police and Crime Commissioner elections	2016	73	27	*
LONDON ONLY: Mayor of London & London Assembly elections	2016	77	23	*
ENGLAND ONLY: Local Government elections	2016	62	38	1
	2015	83	16	1
	2010	50	50	*
ENGLAND PCC ONLY: Police Crime Commissioner elections	2016	41	59	*
ENGLAND COMBINED AREAS: Local government AND Police and Crime Commissioner elections	2016	58	42	1
BRISTOL, SALFORD, LIVERPOOL: Local Government and Mayoral elections	2016	69	29	3

⇒ ALL VOTERS

**Q14 People have different reasons for voting in elections and referendums.**

**Why did you vote on Thursday 5 May?  
DO NOT PROMPT**

	2016 % (3387)	2015 % (3143)	2014 % (1326)
<b>Civic responsibility reasons</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>70</b>
It is important to vote/It is my civic duty/everyone should vote/It is my right to vote	49	54	54
People fought to win the right to vote for me/others	5	11	12
I always vote	18	11	18
I wanted to be part of the democratic process/democracy	8	14	1
To show my support/support the community	3	4	*
National identity/ they are our elections	*	-	-
<b>To express a view</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>47</b>
I wanted to have a say	20	27	28
If people don't vote then you have no right to complain/have an opinion	7	15	15
Concerned about local issues	1	2	4
To support my party/candidates of preference/to help my party/candidate win	8	18	4
Because an important issue was at stake	*	5	3
<b>To help create a change</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
To get a change	3	11	9
Not happy with the Scottish/Welsh/Northern Irish government/local council/Police and Crime Commissioner	1	6	8
<b>To help keep the status quo</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>*</b>
I like/am pleased with the current government/local council	*	2	*
<b>Tactical reasons</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>
To defeat/stop the other side from winning	2	5	5
<b>Other reasons</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>17</b>	
I was urged/persuaded to vote by a family member/friend	1	1	1
Because I was sent a ballot paper in the post	*	-	-
To vote for position supported by my party	2	3	n/a
I take an interest in politics	1	4	*
To make things better/to improve	*		
To support my country	*		
Personal choice	*		
First time voting	*		
Other	3	1	-
None of these / no reason	3	*	-
Don't know	1	-	-
Refused	*		

⇒ **ASK ALL VOTERS**

**Q15** Some people have told us they intentionally spoiled their ballot paper/s on May 5<sup>th</sup> by deliberately leaving the ballot paper/s blank or by not voting in the instructed way. They did this to register a protest. Did you intentionally spoil your own ballot paper or not?

	2016 %
N. IRELAND: No	98
N. IRELAND: Yes	2
SCOTLAND: No	99
SCOTLAND: Yes – both ballot papers	*
SCOTLAND: Yes – one of my ballot papers (for interviewer either constituency or regional)	*
PCC ONLY AREAS IN ENGLAND: No	95
PCC ONLY AREAS IN ENGLAND: Yes	4
LOCAL ONLY AREAS IN ENGLAND (GM): No	99
LOCAL ONLY AREAS IN ENGLAND (GM): Yes	1
ENGLAND - LOCAL ELECTION AND PCC AREAS: No	95
ENGLAND - LOCAL ELECTION AND PCC AREAS: Yes – both ballot papers	1
ENGLAND - LOCAL ELECTION AND PCC AREAS: Yes – local ballot paper only	0
ENGLAND - LOCAL ELECTION AND PCC AREAS: Yes – PCC ballot paper only	3
WALES: No	95
WALES: Yes - all ballot papers	1
WALES: Yes - both NAW ballot papers (for interviewer: either constituency or regional)	0
WALES: Yes one of my NAW ballot papers	0
WALES: PCC ballot paper only	3
LONDON: No	99
LONDON: Yes - all ballot papers	0
LONDON: Yes – one of my ballot papers (for interviewer: either assembly or mayor ballot papers)	*
ALL: Don't know	*
ALL: Refused	*

⇒ **ASK THOSE WHO VOTED IN ONE ELECTION BUT NOT ANOTHER IN AREAS WITH MULTIPLE ELECTIONS – AND ANYONE WHO HAS SPOILT ONE OF THEIR BALLOT PAPERS**

**Q9 WALES:** In Wales, the National Assembly for Wales and Police and Crime Commissioner elections (Wales) were held on 5<sup>th</sup> May. You say you voted in one but not the other. Can you tell me why you voted in the National Assembly for Wales but not in the PCC elections?

**ENGLAND COMBINED AREAS:** In your area, the local elections and Police and Crime Commissioner elections were held on 5<sup>th</sup> May. You say you voted in one but not the other. Can you tell me why you voted in the local election but not in the PCC elections? **DO NOT PROMPT**

	2016 % (82)
The electoral system was too confusing	5
Too complicated to completed multiple ballot papers	1
There was no point in voting because it was obvious who would win/my vote wouldn't have made a difference to the outcome	0
I couldn't be bothered	0
Waste of time/Could see no point	3
Had no interest/view on the subject	2
<b>SPECIFIC: IF VOTED IN NATIONAL ASSEMBLY FOR WALES OR ENGLISH LOCALS BUT NOT PCC</b>	-
Lack of info about the PCCs /didn't understand what we were voting for	36
Disagree with the PCCs	25
There was no point in voting because the Crime Commissioner can't do very much/can't change anything/has no power	4
The Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) elections aren't important	7
<b>SPECIFIC: IF VOTED IN THE PCC BUT NOT IN THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY FOR WALES OR ENGLISH LOCALS</b>	-
There was no point in voting because the National Assembly for Wales can't do very much/can't change anything/has no power	*
There was no point in voting because the local council can't do very much/can't change anything/has no power	0
The National Assembly elections aren't important	0
The local council elections aren't important	0
Other	19
Don't know	19



⇒ **ASK ALL IF HH SIZE = 2+**

**Q6 Do you know if anyone else living in your household voted at the elections on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> of May?**

	2016 % (4069)
Yes - at least one person other than me voted	58
No - no one else voted in my household	35
Don't know	7

⇒ **ASK ALL 16 AND 17 YEAR OLDS IN SCOTLAND**

**Q7 Do you know if any of your friends voted at the elections on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> of May?**

	2016 % (262)
Yes - Most of my friends voted	53
Yes - Some of my friends voted	30
No - None of my friends voted	6
Don't know	12

⇒ **ASK ALL 16 AND 17 YEAR OLDS IN SCOTLAND**

**Q8 Did any of your parents/guardians vote at the elections on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> of May?**

	2016 % (262)
Yes	93
No	4
Don't know	3

⇒ **ASK NON VOTERS**

**Q10 People had different reasons for not voting in the elections. Why did you not vote in the elections on the 5<sup>th</sup> May? DO NOT PROMPT**

	2016 % (1185)	2015 % (469)	2014 % (1179)
<b>Circumstances</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>57</b>
Lack of time/too busy/I was busy at work	20	21	26
I really intended to vote but circumstances on the day prevented me	3	8	10
I forgot	6	3	9
I was away on 5 May/voting day	10	6	n/a
I couldn't get to the polling station/it was inconvenient	3	4	6
Medical/health reasons	4	8	5
Bad weather	0	n/a	*

Disorganised/lost track of time/lost polling card	1	1	*
Bereavement	*	*	*
<b>Administration</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>7</b>
I wasn't registered	1	11	5
Not eligible to vote (age or nationality)	*	4	n/a
I didn't receive a polling card	*	2	1
I didn't receive a postal vote/it arrived too late	1	1	1
I didn't know where my polling station was	*	1	1
Admin reason	*	2	*
Had no identification/Had no ID/Lost my ID	*	*	n/a
I did not know I could vote	*	1	n/a
I got to polling station but told I could not vote	*	1	n/a
<b>Elections not important</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>12</b>
There was no point in voting because the National Assembly for Wales can't do very much/can't change anything/has no power	*	-	-
There was no point in voting because the Scottish Parliament can't do very much/can't change anything/has no power	*	-	-
There was no point in voting because the Northern Ireland Assembly can't do very much/can't change anything/has no power	*	-	-
There was no point in voting because the local council can't do very much/can't change anything/has no power	2	*	7
There was no point in voting because the Crime Commissioner can't do very much/can't change anything/has no power	1	-	-
There was no point in voting because the London Assembly can't do very much/can't change anything/has no power	0	-	-
There was no point in voting because the London Mayor can't do very much/can't change anything/has no power	0	-	-
The elections (unspecified) aren't important	*	n/a	1
The local council elections aren't important	*	-	-
The Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) elections aren't important	2	-	-
The National Assembly/Parliament elections aren't important	*	-	-
<b>Disinterested/no point</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>14</b>
I'm just not interested in politics	11	6	4
There was no point in voting because it was obvious who would win/my vote wouldn't have made a difference to the outcome	2	4	4
I couldn't be bothered	4	7	5
Waste of time/Could see no point	3	3	1
Had no interest/view on the subject	5	4	n/a
<b>Parties/Candidates</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>11</b>

There was no point in voting because all parties are the same	1	3	4
I didn't like the candidates/parties/they didn't represent my views	2	6	4
You just can't trust politicians to keep their promises	1	3	4
I don't like the way the parties interact with each other/lack of co-operation/progress	*	*	1
Do not believe in politics/the voting system/democracy	*	2	1
Politicians do not care/only in politics for their own benefit	*	1	*
No party will likely win	0	-	-
Parties in Northern Ireland cannot make a difference/cannot work together	*	*	n/a
Parties in Wales cannot make a difference	*	-	-
<b>No information/indecision/complicated</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>8</b>
I didn't get any information	15	3	4
I didn't know who the candidates in my area were/and where to find information	9	-	-
I didn't know enough about the different options	2	2	3
I couldn't decide which way to vote	2	4	1
I don't know anything about local politics	1	3	1
I didn't understand/too confusing	1	2	n/a
I don't know anything about politics	1	3	1
I couldn't understand the voting/electoral system/the system voting system was too confusing	*	-	-
<b>Reasons related to the referendum</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>
I didn't know it was happening	3	-	-
I thought it wasn't happening because of the referendum	*	-	-
I have only received information about the referendum	0	-	-
Too close to the referendum (time, effort, organisation)	0	-	-
Struggled to access information because most of the coverage focused on the referendum	*	-	-
Other referendum related reason	0	-	-
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>
I never vote	2	3	1
I don't vote in local elections	1	*	*
Religious reasons	*	1	*
Personal reasons	1	n/a	n/a
Waste of money	*	n/a	n/a
Other	3	3	*
None of these/no reason	2	1	*
Don't know	1	1	*
Refused	*	n/a	n/a

⇒ **ASK ALL VOTERS**

**Q12 Did you vote on the 5<sup>th</sup> May.....READ OUT, SINGLECODE ONLY**

	2016 % (3387)	2015 %	2014 %
In person at polling station	78	77	76
By post	21	21	24
By proxy	*	1	*
Other	*	1	*
Don't know/can't remember	*	-	*

⇒ **ASK ALL**

**Q16 Which of these statements best describes your attitude towards voting at UK Parliamentary General Elections (for Westminster)? READ OUT**

	2016 %	2015 %	2014 %
I always vote at General Elections	78	75	70
I sometimes vote at General Elections	13	10	17
I voted for the first time in 2015	3	5	6
I never vote in General Elections	5	4	7
I've not been eligible to vote in the past	1	6	n/a
Don't know/don't remember	*	*	*

⇒ **ASK ALL VOTERS WHO NEVER VOTE IN GENERAL ELECTIONS OR HAVE NOT BEEN ELIGLE TO VOTE IN THE PAST**

**Q13 Was this the first time you voted in any election or referendum?**

	2016 % (191)
Yes, it was my first time	41
Yes it was my first time as I wasn't eligible before	15
No, I voted before	44
Don't know / Cannot remember	*

⇒ **ASK ALL IN SCOTLAND**

**Q17 In September 2014 there was an independence referendum in Scotland; did you vote at the referendum in 2014?**

	2016 % (962)
Yes	93
No	4
I wasn't eligible	2
Can't remember	1

⇒ ASK ALL

**Q11 VOTERS – Q5/1: You already told me that you voted, but would you have been more likely to vote on 5<sup>th</sup> May, less likely, or would it have made no difference one way or the other if...**  
**NON VOTERS - Q5/2: Would you have been more likely to vote on 5<sup>th</sup> May, less likely, or would it have made no difference one way or the other if...**

	2016 %	2015 %	2014 %
<b>If you could have voted at the weekend instead</b>	-		
More likely	21	21	33
Less likely	5	4	3
No difference one way or the other	72	74	64
Don't know	*	*	-
Would have voted anyway	2	*	n/a
<b>If you could have voted online instead</b>	-		
More likely	34	36	54
Less likely	15	9	5
No difference one way or the other	48	54	41
Don't know	1	1	-
Would have voted anyway	2	*	n/a
<b>If you had been able to register to vote on election day</b>	-		
More likely	18	20	30
Less likely	4	5	3
No difference one way or the other	73	73	67
Don't know	2	1	-
Would have voted anyway	3	1	n/a
<b>[NOT NORTHERN IRELAND] If people had to show proof of identity at polling stations</b>	(3865)		
More likely	9	7	15
Less likely	7	14	10
No difference one way or the other	80	77	75
Don't know	*	1	*
Would have voted anyway	2	1	*
<b>If you could have voted in a polling station in the days before including the Saturday and Sunday before</b>	-		
More likely	25	26	44
Less likely	4	3	2
No difference one way or the other	69	70	54
Don't know	*	*	-
Would have voted anyway	2	1	n/a
<b>If it was easier for you to get a postal vote</b>	-		
More likely	22	25	-
Less likely	8	5	-
No difference one way or the other	66	68	-
Don't know	1	1	-
Would have voted anyway	3	2	-

<b>[SCOTLAND16-17 YEAR OLDS] If you knew that your friends were voting</b>	(262)		
More likely	24	-	-
Less likely	0	-	-
No difference one way or the other	75	-	-
Don't know	*	-	-
Would have voted anyway	1	-	-
<b>[SCOTLAND16-17 YEAR OLDS] If your parents voted</b>	(262)		
More likely	42	-	-
Less likely	1	-	-
No difference one way or the other	56	-	-
Don't know	*	-	-
Would have voted anyway	*	-	-

⇒ ASK ALL

**Q18 Please could you tell me whether you think each of the following statements are true or false? DO NOT READ OUT DK**

	2016 %	2015 %
<b>You have to take ID (NORTHERN IRELAND ONLY: Photo ID) with you to vote at a polling station</b>		
True	20	23
False	77	74
Don't know	3	4
<b>[NOT NORTHERN IRELAND] You are automatically registered to vote if you pay council tax</b>	(3865)	
True	24	24
False	69	67
Don't know	6	9
<b>You are automatically registered to vote if you are of legal voting age</b>	-	
True	32	29
False	64	69
Don't know	4	2
<b>You can register to vote until the day before an election</b>	-	
True	28	28
False	59	62
Don't know	13	10
<b>You are at risk of getting a fine if you don't register to vote</b>	-	
True	15	13
False	80	81
Don't know	5	5
<b>One household member is able to register other members of the same household</b>	-	
True	53	49
False	40	43

Don't know	7	8
<b>You can register to vote online</b>	-	
True	63	78
False	23	13
Don't know	14	9
<b>If you were registered to vote for the May elections you are also registered to vote at the EU referendum</b>	-	
True	80	-
False	14	-
Don't know	6	-

⇒ ASK ALL

**Q19 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following...**

	2016
	%
<b>You should be able to register to vote until the day before the election</b>	-
Agree strongly	28
Tend to agree	33
Neither	10
Tend to disagree	16
Disagree strongly	13
Don't know	1
<b>You should be able to register to vote in a polling station on the day of the election</b>	-
Agree strongly	21
Tend to agree	20
Neither	10
Tend to disagree	23
Disagree strongly	25
Don't know	1
<b>[EXCLUDE NORTHERN IRELAND] Local government should be able to use other information they hold about me to automatically update my details on the electoral register</b>	(3865)
Agree strongly	17
Tend to agree	28
Neither	11
Tend to disagree	19
Disagree strongly	23
Don't know	2
<b>[NORTHERN IRELAND ONLY] Local government should be able to use other information they hold about me to automatically update my details on the electoral register</b>	(707)
Agree strongly	19
Tend to agree	28
Neither	10
Tend to disagree	19
Disagree strongly	22

Don't know	2
<b>It should be my responsibility, not the government's, to keep my electoral registration details up to date</b>	-
Agree strongly	42
Tend to agree	33
Neither	9
Tend to disagree	9
Disagree strongly	6
Don't know	1

## AWARENESS

⇒ ASK ALL

**Q20 How much, if anything, did you feel you knew about the elections on Thursday 5 May?  
Would you say you knew... READ OUT FOR EACH ELECTION AS RELEVANT**

		A great deal	A fair amount	Not very much	Nothing at all	DK
<b>SCOTLAND:</b> Scottish Parliament elections	2016 %	29	56	13	2	*
<b>WALES:</b> National Assembly for Wales elections	2016 %	20	51	25	4	*
<b>WALES:</b> PCC elections	2016 %	7	18	42	33	1
<b>NORTHERN IRELAND:</b> Northern Ireland Assembly election	2016 %	29	54	13	4	0
<b>ENGLAND COMBINED AREAS:</b> Local elections	2016 %	11	48	31	10	*
	2015 %	12	33	42	11	2
	2014 %	9	39	36	15	*
<b>ENGLAND COMBINED AREAS:</b> PCC elections	2016%	5	23	44	28	*
<b>ENGLAND PCC ONLY AREAS:</b> PCC elections	2016 %	5	23	52	21	0
<b>LONDON:</b> Mayor of London & London Assembly elections	2016 %	26	55	14	4	*



⇒ **ASK ALL**

**Q21 Would you say it was very easy, fairly easy, neither easy nor difficult, fairly difficult or very difficult to access information on**

	Very easy %	Fairly easy %	Neither %	Fairly difficult %	Very difficult %	DK (DO NOT READ OUT)
All RESPONDENTS: How to cast your vote at the <b>Scottish Parliament elections</b>	48	45	3	3	1	1
All RESPONDENTS: How to cast your vote at the <b>WALES: National Assembly for Wales</b>	35	46	8	6	2	4
All RESPONDENTS: How to cast your vote at the <b>WALES: PCC elections</b>	20	31	11	19	10	7
All RESPONDENTS: How to cast your vote at the <b>NORTHERN IRELAND: Northern Ireland Assembly election</b>	50	39	6	3	1	2
All RESPONDENTS: How to cast your vote at the <b>ENGLAND COMBINED/ LOCAL ONLY AREAS: Local elections</b>	34	46	9	6	3	2
All RESPONDENTS: How to cast your vote at the <b>ENGLAND COMBINED/ LOCAL ONLY AREAS: PCC elections</b>	24	38	14	13	7	7
All RESPONDENTS: How to cast your vote at the <b>ENGLAND PCC ONLY AREAS: PCC elections</b>	23	33	17	12	8	7
All RESPONDENTS: How to cast your vote at the <b>LONDON: Mayor of London &amp; London Assembly elections</b>	39	44	7	5	1	3
ALL EXCEPT PCC ONLY RESPONDENTS: What the ELECTION was for ( <i>in combined areas in</i>	47	45	4	3	1	1

<i>England ask about local elections, in Wales ask about NAW election</i> <b>Scottish Parliament elections)</b>						
ALL EXCEPT PCC ONLY RESPONDENTS: What the ELECTION was for ( <i>in combined areas in England ask about local elections, in Wales ask about NAW election</i> ) <b>National Assembly for Wales</b>	33	46	7	6	4	5
ALL EXCEPT PCC ONLY RESPONDENTS: What the ELECTION was for ( <i>in combined areas in England ask about local elections, in Wales ask about NAW election</i> ) <b>Northern Ireland Assembly election</b>	44	43	7	3	2	1
ALL EXCEPT PCC ONLY RESPONDENTS: What the ELECTION was for ( <i>in combined areas in England ask about local elections, in Wales ask about NAW election</i> ) <b>ENGLAND COMBINED/ LOCAL ONLY AREAS: Local elections</b>	27	43	10	11	5	3
ALL EXCEPT PCC ONLY RESPONDENTS: What the ELECTION was for ( <i>in combined areas in England ask about local elections, in Wales ask about NAW election</i> ) <b>Mayor of London &amp; London Assembly elections</b>	45	39	9	5	1	*
ALL RESPONDENTS IN PCC AREAS (ENGLAND AND WALES): What the PCC elections were for and the role of the Police and Crime Commissioners <b>PCC areas England</b>	11	28	16	24	15	6
ALL RESPONDENTS IN PCC AREAS (ENGLAND AND WALES): What the PCC elections were	9	26	15	26	18	7

for and the role of the Police and Crime Commissioners <b>PCC areas Wales</b>						
ALL RESPONDENTS: Information on the candidates standing in the <b>Scottish Parliament elections</b>	31	50	7	8	3	1
ALL RESPONDENTS: Information on the candidates standing in the <b>WALES: National Assembly for Wales</b>	31	44	9	9	3	4
ALL RESPONDENTS: Information on the candidates standing in the <b>WALES: PCC elections</b>	9	25	14	24	22	6
ALL RESPONDENTS: Information on the candidates standing in the <b>NORTHERN IRELAND: Northern Ireland Assembly election</b>	40	43	9	6	3	1
ALL RESPONDENTS: Information on the candidates standing in the <b>ENGLAND COMBINED/ AREAS: Local elections</b>	21	40	12	16	7	3
ALL RESPONDENTS: Information on the candidates standing in the <b>ENGLAND COMBINED/ AREAS: PCC elections</b>	10	24	14	27	18	8
ALL RESPONDENTS: Information on the candidates standing in the <b>Mayor of London &amp; London Assembly elections</b>	34	45	10	8	3	*

⇒ **ASK ALL**

**Q22 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following...**

	Agree strongly	Tend to agree	Neither	Tend to disagree	Strongly disagree	DK (DO NOT READ OUT)
ALL: There was a lot of media coverage on the <b>Scottish Parliament elections</b>	40	35	9	10	4	2
ALL: There was a lot of media coverage on the <b>WALES: National Assembly for Wales</b>	36	33	8	15	5	2
ALL: There was a lot of media coverage on the <b>WALES: PCC elections</b>	7	18	11	28	35	2
ALL: There was a lot of media coverage on the <b>NORTHERN IRELAND: Northern Ireland Assembly election</b>	43	34	10	9	2	2
ALL: There was a lot of media coverage on the <b>ENGLAND COMBINED/ AREAS: Local elections</b>	13	28	15	26	16	3
ALL: There was a lot of media coverage on the <b>ENGLAND COMBINED/ AREAS: PCC elections</b>	6	15	13	31	30	4
ALL: There was a lot of media coverage on the <b>Mayor of London &amp; London Assembly elections</b>	49	33	6	7	3	2
ALL: I had enough information on how to cast my vote <b>Scottish Parliament elections</b>	61	30	4	4	1	*
ALL: I had enough information on how to cast my vote <b>WALES: National Assembly for Wales</b>	47	33	4	9	5	1
ALL: I had enough information on how to cast my vote <b>WALES: PCC elections</b>	21	21	8	21	26	3
ALL: I had enough information on how to cast my vote <b>NORTHERN IRELAND: Northern Ireland Assembly election</b>	59	31	4	5	2	*
ALL: I had enough	35	40	8	10	6	1

information on how to cast my vote <b>ENGLAND COMBINED/ AREAS: Local elections</b>						
ALL: I had enough information on how to cast my vote <b>ENGLAND COMBINED/ AREAS: PCC elections</b>	22	30	11	17	18	1
ALL: I had enough information on how to cast my vote <b>Mayor of London &amp; London Assembly elections</b>	52	33	7	5	3	*
ALL: I didn't know enough on what the <b>Scottish Parliament elections</b> was about	7	12	6	26	49	*
ALL: I didn't know enough on what the <b>WALES: National Assembly for Wales</b> was about	13	20	6	24	37	1
ALL: I didn't know enough on what the <b>WALES: PCC elections</b> was about	32	21	6	19	21	1
ALL: I didn't know enough on what the <b>NORTHERN IRELAND: Northern Ireland Assembly election</b> was about	11	12	5	26	46	*
ALL: I didn't know enough on what the <b>ENGLAND COMBINED/ AREAS: Local elections</b> was about	20	27	9	23	21	1
ALL: I didn't know enough on what the <b>ENGLAND COMBINED/ AREAS: PCC elections</b> was about	28	25	11	20	16	1
ALL: I didn't know enough on what the <b>Mayor of London &amp; London Assembly elections</b> was about	11	15	7	26	40	1
RESPONDENTS IN PCC AREAS (E&W): I had enough information to understand the role of the PCCs	12	23	12	23	30	1

ALL: I had enough information on candidates to be able to make an informed decision <b>Scottish Parliament election</b>	45	35	8	7	5	*
ALL: I had enough information on candidates to be able to make an informed decision <b>WALES: National Assembly for Wales</b>	36	38	6	10	8	1
ALL: I had enough information on candidates to be able to make an informed decision <b>WALES: PCC elections</b>	11	15	7	24	41	2
ALL: I had enough information on candidates to be able to make an informed decision <b>NORTHERN IRELAND: Northern Ireland Assembly election</b>	52	32	5	9	2	*
ALL: I had enough information on candidates to be able to make an informed decision <b>ENGLAND COMBINED/ AREAS: Local elections</b>	29	31	8	18	15	*
ALL: I had enough information on candidates to be able to make an informed decision <b>ENGLAND COMBINED/ AREAS: PCC elections</b>	12	16	8	28	35	1
ALL: I had enough information on candidates to be able to make an informed decision <b>Mayor of London &amp; London Assembly elections</b>	41	35	7	11	4	1
The <b>Scottish Parliament election</b> was overshadowed by coverage of the EU referendum	13	24	13	29	20	1
The <b>WALES: National Assembly for Wales</b> was overshadowed by coverage of the EU referendum	23	25	15	21	14	2
The <b>WALES: PCC elections</b> was	29	19	14	18	16	5

overshadowed by coverage of the EU referendum						
The <b>NORTHERN IRELAND: Northern Ireland Assembly election</b> was overshadowed by coverage of the EU referendum	9	15	16	33	27	1
The <b>ENGLAND COMBINED/ AREAS: Local elections</b> was overshadowed by coverage of the EU referendum	25	33	12	20	8	3
The <b>ENGLAND COMBINED/ AREAS: PCC elections</b> was overshadowed by coverage of the EU referendum	28	30	13	18	9	3
The <b>Mayor of London &amp; London Assembly elections</b> was overshadowed by coverage of the EU referendum	12	24	16	28	18	2
It was clear to me that there are two sets of electoral events – these elections in May and the referendum that will take place in June	59	24	8	5	4	1

⇒ **ASK THOSE WHO AGREE AT Q22(4)/AGREE STRONGLY OR TEND TO AGREE IN ALL PCC AREAS IN ENGLAND& WALES ONLY**

**Q23 Where did you access information on candidates in the Police & Crime Commissioner elections? PROBE TO LIST, MULTICODE**

	2016 % (640)
Leaflet or flyer from a candidate/political party	28
Leaflet or flyer from another source	17
Candidate's website	13
The official website/the 'Choose my PCC' website/Cabinet Office website	21
On another specific website	17

People talking about it	4
Friends & family	6
Posters or billboards	3
I didn't find/see any information	6
Somewhere else	22
None of these	8
Don't know	2

⇒ **ASK ALL**

**Q24 Generally speaking, when it comes to receiving information about candidates and parties in elections, what form of communication would you yourself most prefer? DO NOT PROMPT, MULTICODE**

	2016 %
Email messages	18
Leaflets or booklets through the door	67
Online adverts	9
News sources	10
Social media (Facebook, Twitter etc.)	7
TV or radio advertising	7
TV broadcasts or news sources	11
Billboards	*
Personal contact with candidates	9
Dedicated websites	7
Just talking about it with friends and family	1
I would not like any	1
Phone calls	1
SMS/text messages	1
Debates	*
Personal research	*
Public meetings	*
Radio	*
Media	*
Other	1
No preference	*
Don't know	1



## VOTING PROCESSES AND PRIORITIES

⇒ **ASK ALL**

**Q25 Generally speaking, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the procedures for voting in elections and referendums in Great Britain/Northern Ireland?**

	2016	2015	2014
	%	%	%
Very satisfied	37	42	30
Fairly satisfied	47	41	46
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	8	8	14
Fairly dissatisfied	5	5	7
Very dissatisfied	3	3	3
Don't know	*	1	*

⇒ **ASK FAIRLY/VERY DISSATISFIED**

**Q26 Why do you say you were dissatisfied with the procedure for voting in elections? DO NOT READ OUT**

	2016	2015	2014
	% (231)	%	%
<b>Voting system</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>- n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>
The system is not fair	6	32	9
Disagree with/don't like the voting system	5	28	1
Lack of democracy within the system	3	2	n/a
Confusion with multiple voting systems	4	n/a	n/a
<b>Voting procedure</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>- n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>
Voting process should be available online	11	10	n/a
Voting system should be more secure	1	8	n/a
Many people didn't get to vote/register	7	5	n/a
Length of time it takes	7	4	4
Everyone should vote/compulsory voting	2	4	2
Voting should be spread over a few days	4	4	n/a
Voting should be in in pen/a more permanent mark/ not pencil	*	3	n/a
Issues with postal voting	4	2	n/a
Outdated methods/paper based/ dropping ballots into the box	4	2	n/a
Not enough polling stations to choose from	*	2	n/a
Non-UK citizen are not able to vote	0	1	n/a
Process is poorly represented/misrepresented	3	1	n/a
Issues with secrecy/anonymity of voting	*	1	n/a
The system is open to abuse	1	1	n/a
Voters should be required to show identification	*	1	n/a
Dislike the counting process	3	1	n/a
Too many elections taking on the same day	*	0	0
<b>Experience of voting</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>- n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>
Didn't receive a polling card	*	2	n/a

Poor accessibility of polling stations	1	1	n/a
Because of the outcome / dismay with election results	1	1	n/a
<b>Politicians / The political system</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>- n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>
Don't trust politicians/politicians don't fulfil their promises	4	10	8
Need more options/opinions/choice	1	6	9
Dislike politicians behaviour	1	4	n/a
May end up voting for people/positions I don't support	*	1	n/a
<b>Lack of information</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>- n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>
Not enough information/media coverage	32	7	n/a
People don't/didn't understand what the elections were about/too complicated	11	6	n/a
<b>Other</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>- n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>
Should be simpler	6	6	n/a
Corruption/fraud/fixed results	4	1	n/a
Waste of money	0	1	n/a
The polls shouldn't have been held so close to the EU referendum	0	n/a	n/a
The polls should have been held on the same day as the EU referendum	*	n/a	n/a
Biased information/propaganda	3	n/a	n/a
Not a convenient time/not enough time	4	n/a	n/a
Prefer proportional representation/dislike first past the post system of voting	3	n/a	n/a
Need personal contact with election candidates	1	n/a	n/a
Other	10	7	n/a
Don't know	2	2	1

⇒ **ASK ALL**

**Q27 How confident, if at all, are you that the election(s) on May 5th was/were well run?**

	2016	2015	2014
	%	%	%
Very confident	29	46	26
Fairly confident	51	45	47
Not very confident	8	4	11
Not at all confident	5	2	7
Don't know	7	3	9

⇒ **ASK CONFIDENT**

**Q28 Why do you say you are confident that the [ELECTION(S)] was/were well run?  
DO NOT PROMPT. MULTICODE.**

	2016 % (3897)
Clear/concise ballot/easy to vote	10
Quick easy voting	11
There was a lot of information about the elections	9
Tried and tested	3
No negative feedback	12
Voting system fair	6
Trust the staff	5
Accessible polling station	3
Good staff attitude	3
Personal involvement	2
Professional conducted	5
Received polling card ballot papers in good time	1
Everyone had the opportunity to vote	1
Well canvassed	1
Well organised	23
Well publicised	3
Results were in the media quickly	3
Feel it was the right result	2
High turnout	*
Others	26
None	4
Don't know	8

⇒ **ASK NOT CONFIDENT**

**Q29 Why do you say that you are not confident that the election was/were well run?  
DO NOT PROMPT. MULTICODE.**

	2016 % (475)	2015 %	2014 %
<b>Lack of information</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>57</b>
Lack of information/publicity/don't know much/anything about it (general)	48	7	50
Lack of information/publicity/ don't know much/anything about it because of the focus on the referendum	11	n/a	n/a
Information confusing/some people didn't understand what the vote was for	8	5	14
Lack of information about the candidates	25	6	1
<b>Polling station/ballot issues</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>16</b>
Badly run/organised	5	10	7
Low turnout	2	*	7
Long wait for results	*	2	1

Didn't receive a polling card/postal ballot papers	1	5	*
Lack of time given to vote/decide	1	2	*
The counting process was not well verified	1	4	*
I didn't know how to vote/what to do in the polling station/how to fill in my ballot paper	0	n/a	n/a
Two/More elections on one day/too much to organise/handle	*	1	*
<b>Politicians/political system</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>10</b>
Mistrust/Don't stick to their promises/just in it for themselves	4	16	10
<b>Campaign issues/candidate</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>9</b>
Lack of canvassing/personal contact	3	2	5
There was misinformation/stupid allegations as to what the vote was about	1	7	2
TV/press coverage was biased/badly presented	1	5	2
Little choice in who to vote for	*	1	1
Coverage only focused on the referendum	*	n/a	n/a
<b>General impression/word of mouth</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>4</b>
From what I have read/heard	3	5	2
I did not witness what went on	1	1	2
I had a bad impression	2	4	*
<b>Voting system and procedure</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>1</b>
People did not know the voting procedure (how to fill in the ballot paper/what to do in the polling station)	1	2	1
People's opinions are not valued/vote will make no difference	*	5	1
Outdated/unfair voting system	1	14	*
Combination of elections	*	n/a	n/a
<b>Fraud security</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>2</b>
Corruption/fraud/fixed results	7	15	2
<b>Other</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>10</b>
Because of the outcome/dismay with the results	1	6	n/a
Disinterested/don't care about politics	2	4	5
Some did not have the opportunity to vote/had the opportunity taken away	1	4	n/a
Issues registering to vote	1	1	n/a
Didn't vote for personal reasons	*	0	2
Dislike the National Assembly for Wales	0	n/a	n/a
Dislike the Scottish Parliament	*	n/a	n/a
Dislike the Northern Ireland Assembly	0	n/a	n/a
Dislike Police and Crime Commissioners	*	n/a	n/a
Dislike local government	0	n/a	n/a
Other	16	7	3
None	1	*	*
Don't know	5	5	8

## POLLING STATIONS

⇒ ASK ALL

**Q30** From what you have seen or heard or experienced, do you think that voting at the polling station / (SCOTLAND: polling place) for the Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May election was...READ OUT

	2016	2015	2014
	%	%	%
Very convenient	43	49	37
Fairly convenient	31	31	30
Neither convenient nor inconvenient	12	9	18
Fairly inconvenient	6	5	5
Very inconvenient	3	3	5
Don't know	5	3	5

⇒ ASK POLLING STATION VOTERS

**Q31** Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied were you with the process of voting at a polling station/place? Would you say.....READ OUT

	2016	2015	2014
	%(2775)	%	%
Very satisfied	74	72	72
Fairly satisfied	22	22	25
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	3	3	2
Fairly dissatisfied	1	2	1
Very dissatisfied	*	1	*
Don't know	*	*	-

⇒ ASK POLLING STATION VOTERS

**Q32** Once you arrived at your polling station/place, how easy or difficult was it for you to get inside to vote?

	2016
	%(2775)
Very easy	94
Fairly easy	5
Neither easy nor difficult	*
Fairly difficult	1
Very difficult	*
Don't know	*

⇒ **ASK POLLING STATION VOTERS**

**Q33** Thinking back to when you went to vote at the polling station/place, how useful, if at all, was the help or support available from polling station/place staff on how to vote? Was it...**READ OUT**

	2016 % (2775)	2015 %	2014 %
Very useful	56	43	50
Fairly useful	15	16	15
Not very useful	1	3	3
Not at all useful	1	1	1
Didn't use them/need them	27	37	32
Don't know	*	6	*

⇒ **ASK POLLING STATION VOTERS**

**Q34** And again thinking back to when you went to vote at the polling station/place, how useful, if at all, were any written instructions on how to vote, such as a poster on display in the polling booth or guidance on the ballot paper(s)? Were they....**READ OUT**

	2016 % (2775)	2015 %	2014 %
Very useful	50	42	42
Fairly useful	25	22	22
Not very useful	2	2	4
Not at all useful	1	1	1
Didn't use them/need them	22	32	30
Don't know	*	1	1

⇒ **ASK IN NORTHERN IRELAND**

**Q35** When you go to vote at a polling station you are required to present a form of ID before you receive a ballot paper. As far as you are aware, which, if any, of the following forms of ID can be used on polling day in order to vote? **READ OUT. MULTICODE**

	2016 % (707)	2015 %
UK, Irish or EU Passport	95	93
UK, Irish or EEA (European) photographic driving license	95	95
Electoral identity card	70	75
Translink Senior or 60+ SmartPass	52	56
Student ID card	35	38
Birth Certificate	10	17
National Insurance Card	6	10
Medical card	9	10
Work pass	6	7
Disabled blue badge parking permit	14	15
None of these	0	-
Don't know	*	2

## VOTING BY POST

⇒ **ASK ALL**

**Q36 From what you have seen, heard or experienced, do you think that voting by post for the May 5<sup>th</sup> election(s) was...READ OUT**

	2016	2015	2014
	%	%	%
Very convenient	30	39	27
Fairly convenient	25	22	26
Neither convenient nor inconvenient	25	18	28
Fairly inconvenient	4	4	4
Very inconvenient	2	2	2
Don't know	14	15	13

⇒ **ASK POSTAL VOTERS**

**Q37 How easy or difficult was it to understand what you had to do in order to complete and return your postal vote(s)? Would you say....READ OUT**

	2016	2015	2014
	% (586)	%	%
Very easy	74	70	67
Fairly easy	21	22	26
Neither easy nor difficult	2	3	3
Fairly difficult	3	3	2
Very difficult	1	1	2
Don't know	*	*	-

⇒ **ASK POSTAL VOTERS**

**Q38 Thinking back to when you voted by post, how useful, if at all, were any written instructions on how to vote and return your vote, such as guidance on the ballot paper? Were they.....READ OUT**

	2016	2015	2014
	% (586)	%	%
Very useful	73	68	62
Fairly useful	21	23	36
Not very useful	3	1	*
Not at all useful	1	1	-
Didn't use them/need them	2	6	2
Don't know	*	1	-

⇒ **ASK ALL POSTAL VOTERS**

**Q39 Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied were you with the process of voting by post?  
Would you say.....READ OUT**

	2016 % (586)	2015 %	2014 %
Very satisfied	82	83	77
Fairly satisfied	16	14	18
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	1	2	3
Fairly dissatisfied	*	*	*
Very dissatisfied	*	1	*
Don't know	*	*	-

### COMBINED ELECTIONS AND BALLOT PAPERS

⇒ **ASK ALL VOTERS**

**Q40 Some people said it was difficult to fill in the ballot paper(s) when voting in the 5<sup>th</sup> May ELECTIONS\*. How easy or difficult did you find it to fill in the ballot paper(s) for this election? Was it... READ OUT.**

	Very easy %	Fairly easy %	Neither %	Fairly difficult %	Very difficult %	DK %
SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT ELECTION	84	13	1	1	0	1
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY FOR WALES ELECTION	68	25	3	3	1	1
NORTHERN IRELAND ASSEMBLY ELECTION	72	23	3	2	1	0
LOCAL ELECTION	81	18	*	1	0	*
LONDON ASSEMBLY ELECTION	76	18	3	3	*	*
LONDON MAYORAL ELECTION	78	16	3	2	*	*
PCC ELECTION	75	19	1	2	2	*



⇒ **ASK ALL WHO SAID FAIRLY/VERY DIFFICULT**

**Q41 Why do you say it was difficult? DO NOT PROMPT. MULTICODE.**

	2016 % (152)
Text too small	1
Too many candidates	9
Instructions were unclear	15
Complex/confusing	23
Lack of information	28
Difficulties using forms	6
The candidates were in a confusing order	6
The parties were in a confusing order	2
The size of the ballot paper	1
I could not easily find the party name of my choice	2
I could not easily find the party candidate of my choice	2
Lack of understanding/clarity	23
The layout was confusing	13
I don't understand how the electoral system works	3
Other	13
Don't know	3

⇒ **ASK ALL VOTERS IN SCOTLAND AND WALES**

**Q42 In elections for the Scottish Parliament/Welsh Assembly you had two votes. One of these was for a party or independent candidate to represent your constituency, and the other vote you had was for a party or individual candidate to represent your region of Scotland/Wales.**

**How easy or difficult was it to find:**

**The candidate/party you wanted to vote for on the constituency ballot?**

	Very easy	Fairly easy	Neither	Fairly difficult	Very difficult	DK
SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT ELECTION	80	17	1	1	*	1
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY FOR WALES ELECTION	60	27	5	4	2	2

**The name of the party you wanted to vote for on the regional list ballot?**

	Very easy	Fairly easy	Neither	Fairly difficult	Very difficult	DK
SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT ELECTION	81	17	1	1	*	1
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY FOR WALES ELECTION	63	26	4	4	1	3

⇒ **ASK ALL VOTERS IN E&W ONLY: IN AREAS WITH BOTH LOCAL (ENGLAND)/ NATIONAL ASSEMBLY FOR WALES AND PCC ELECTIONS**

**Q43 ENGLAND**

The elections on 5<sup>th</sup> May used more than one voting system – one for the local government election and another for the PCC election. How confusing or otherwise did you find this? Would you say...

	2016 % (390)
Very confusing	1
Fairly confusing	6
Not very confusing	23
Not at all confusing	68
Don't know	1

**WALES**

The elections on 5<sup>th</sup> May used more than one voting system – one for the National Assembly for Wales election and another for the PCC election. How confusing or otherwise did you find this? Would you say...

	2016 % (556)
Very confusing	5
Fairly confusing	15
Not very confusing	32
Not at all confusing	45
Don't know	3

⇒ **ASK LONDON VOTERS ONLY**

**Q44** The London elections on 5<sup>th</sup> May used more than one voting system – one for the London Mayor election and another for the London Assembly election. How confusing or otherwise did you find this? Would you say...

	2016 % (723)
Very confusing	8
Fairly confusing	14
Not very confusing	25
Not at all confusing	50
Don't know	4

## PARTY AND ELECTION FINANCE

⇒ ASK ALL

**Q45** I am going to read you some statements relating to the rules on the money that political parties, organisations and other individuals use when campaigning. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? **READ OUT**

	2016 %	2015 %
<b>The spending and funding of political parties, candidates and other campaigning organisations at elections is open and transparent</b>		
Agree strongly	11	11
Tend to agree	20	22
Neither	22	22
Tend to disagree	25	24
Disagree strongly	17	15
Don't know	4	6
<b>If a political party or another campaigner is caught breaking the rules, the authorities will take appropriate actions</b>	-	
Agree strongly	33	36
Tend to agree	31	27
Neither	12	11
Tend to disagree	13	14
Disagree strongly	10	8
Don't know	2	4
<b>I can easily find out how much political parties, candidates and other organisations spent on campaigning and how they were funded</b>	-	
Agree strongly	10	-
Tend to agree	17	-
Neither	18	-
Tend to disagree	25	-
Disagree strongly	22	-
Don't know	8	-

## ELECTORAL FRAUD

⇒ ASK ALL

**Q46 What do you understand by the term “electoral fraud”? NO NOT PROMPT.  
MULTICODE**

	2016
	%
Someone using someone else's vote	33
Voting multiple times	11
Cheating/corruption/vote rigging	26
Ballot stuffing	4
Deliberately miscounting votes	7
When people not eligible but still do vote	7
Spoiling/tampering of ballot papers	5
Misuse of postal voting	4
People being intimidated	2
Casting a vote where not registered	5
Missing/disposing of votes	2
Others	21
None	3
Don't know	15

⇒ ASK ALL

**Q47 How much electoral fraud, if any, do you think took place at the May 5 elections?  
Would you say it happened...READ OUT**

	2016	2015	2014
	%	%	%
A lot	6	6	5
A little	25	29	25
Hardly anything at all	26	32	33
Nothing at all	15	13	14
Don't know	28	20	24

⇒ **ASK IF 'A LOT/A LITTLE'**

**Q48 Which one of the following best describes why you think electoral fraud or abuse took place on 5<sup>th</sup> May?**

**READ OUT. MULTICODE**

	2016 % (1407)
General impression that fraud is a problem	47
I saw stories in the media about electoral fraud	35
Because you don't have to provide identification to vote	47
Identity fraud is on the increase	53
Postal voting is not secure	46
People are registering other voters at the same address	50
People are registering multiple times	35
I heard from someone else that electoral fraud took place	12
I have first-hand experience of electoral fraud	3
Other	7
Don't know	4

⇒ **ASK ALL**

**Q49 In general, when it comes to being safe from fraud and abuse, would you say that:**  
**READ OUT**

	2016 %	2015 %	2014 %
<b>Voting in general is.....</b>			
Very safe	22	25	21
Fairly safe	58	52	52
Neither safe nor unsafe	11	11	13
Fairly unsafe	6	7	6
Very unsafe	1	2	2
Don't know	2	2	6
<b>Voting at a polling station [ENG, WALES, NI]/polling place [SCOTLAND] is...</b>	-		
Very safe	38	37	36
Fairly safe	51	46	46
Neither safe nor unsafe	5	8	9
Fairly unsafe	3	5	4
Very unsafe	1	2	1
Don't know	1	2	4
<b>Voting by post is...</b>	-		
Very safe	17	17	15
Fairly safe	41	39	36
Neither safe nor unsafe	14	14	15
Fairly unsafe	17	18	19
Very unsafe	6	5	6

Don't know	6	7	9
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**REFERENDUM**

⇒ **ASK ALL ELIGIBLE**

**Q50 As you may know, on the 23rd of June there will be a referendum on the United Kingdom's membership of the European Union, how likely are you to vote at the referendum? READ OUT**

	2016 % (4217)
Very likely	85
Fairly likely	8
Neither likely or unlikely	1
Fairly unlikely	1
Very unlikely	3
Don't know	2