



Empty Homes – Empty Homes Survey

METHODOLOGY NOTE

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Table 1

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		Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Public	Private
Unweighted base	1742	848	894	216	284	264	318	272	388	497	508	318	419	206	714
Weighted base	1765	859	906	218	304	281	313	262	387	488	481	381	415	224	752
0-99,999	(50) 15%	266 12%	167 18%	53 24%	54 18%	51 18%	47 15%	24 9%	38 10%	55 11%	75 16%	48 13%	88 21%	32 14%	111 15%
100,000-199,999	(150) 21%	369 19%	209 23%	53 25%	66 22%	53 19%	66 21%	61 23%	70 18%	78 16%	103 21%	94 25%	95 23%	37 17%	169 23%
200,000-299,999	(250) 17%	298 19%	139 15%	30 14%	48 16%	50 18%	50 16%	37 14%	82 21%	95 19%	63 13%	60 16%	81 19%	46 21%	118 16%
300,000-399,999	(350) 9%	156 9%	80 9%	32 15%	19 6%	24 9%	31 10%	20 8%	30 8%	39 8%	53 11%	36 9%	28 7%	18 8%	68 9%
400,000-499,999	(450) 7%	118 6%	64 7%	14 6%	20 6%	17 6%	18 6%	19 7%	31 8%	35 7%	28 6%	27 7%	29 7%	15 7%	49 7%
500,000-599,999	(550) 12%	213 14%	93 10%	14 7%	28 9%	28 10%	43 14%	37 14%	63 16%	68 14%	61 13%	44 12%	40 10%	26 12%	83 11%
600,000-699,999	(650) 4%	70 4%	36 4%	5 2%	12 4%	14 5%	13 4%	7 3%	18 5%	20 4%	20 4%	21 5%	9 2%	9 4%	26 4%
700,000-799,999	(750) 4%	62 4%	31 3%	3 1%	12 4%	5 2%	10 3%	18 7%	14 4%	20 4%	23 5%	10 3%	9 2%	7 3%	31 4%
800,000-899,999	(850) 3%	46 3%	23 3%	2 1%	11 4%	9 3%	10 3%	7 3%	7 2%	24 5%	5 1%	9 2%	7 2%	7 3%	20 3%
900,000-999,999	(950) 1%	22 1%	11 1%	2 1%	4 1%	2 1%	1 *	8 3%	6 2%	10 2%	3 1%	6 1%	4 1%	3 1%	8 1%
1 million or more	(1000) 8%	145 11%	54 6%	10 4%	31 10%	27 10%	26 8%	24 9%	27 7%	44 9%	47 10%	26 7%	28 7%	23 10%	68 9%
NET: Less than £600,000	1420 80%	669 78%	751 83%	196 90%	234 77%	224 80%	255 81%	197 75%	314 81%	370 76%	383 80%	308 81%	359 86%	174 78%	598 80%
NET: £700,000 or more	275 16%	156 18%	119 13%	16 7%	58 19%	43 15%	46 15%	57 22%	54 14%	98 20%	78 16%	51 13%	48 11%	40 18%	127 17%
Mean ('000)	377	410	345	284	382	372	376	425	395	424	383	370	320	399	379
Standard deviation ('000)	289	296	278	245	311	298	285	300	271	296	294	278	274	300	295

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Standard error	6.92	10.17	9.29	16.70	18.45	18.32	15.99	18.19	13.74	13.26	13.03	15.60	13.39	20.91	11.02

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Unweighted base	1742	91	237	200	161	144	196	208	313	192	429	439	84	319
Weighted base	1765	82	226	185	185	144	205	267	287	185	433	436	83	331
0-99,999	(50) 266 15%	14 17%	26 11%	31 17%	45 24%	22 15%	32 16%	35 13%	39 14%	24 13%	63 15%	55 13%	10 12%	49 15%
100,000-199,999	(150) 369 21%	18 22%	54 24%	36 19%	28 15%	22 15%	51 25%	65 24%	63 22%	33 18%	87 20%	97 22%	13 15%	61 18%
200,000-299,999	(250) 298 17%	17 21%	38 17%	26 14%	29 16%	26 18%	34 16%	37 14%	64 22%	28 15%	84 19%	76 17%	10 12%	66 20%
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1 million or more	(1000) 145 8%	9 11%	22 10%	22 12%	14 8%	8 6%	15 7%	20 7%	24 8%	11 6%	22 5%	45 10%	8 10%	31 9%
NET: Less than £600,000	1420 80%	66 81%	175 78%	143 78%	152 83%	111 77%	169 82%	209 78%	242 84%	151 82%	359 83%	343 79%	60 73%	261 79%
NET: £700,000 or more	275 16%	15 18%	37 16%	36 19%	31 17%	24 17%	24 12%	47 17%	37 13%	25 13%	55 13%	74 17%	17 21%	54 16%
Mean ('000)	377	361	394	398	358	403	348	382	357	392	366	391	433	379

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Weighted base	1765	82	226	185	185	144	205	267	287	185	433	436	83	331
Standard deviation ('000)	289	306	295	311	300	284	275	289	276	273	267	299	303	292
Standard error	6.92	32.09	19.18	22.02	23.63	23.71	19.62	20.06	15.62	19.70	12.89	14.27	33.01	16.37

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Table 2

Q2. To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

Base: All respondents

Summary table

	Empty homes are a blight on my local area	The government focuses too much on building new homes, and not enough on bringing empty homes back into use	Central Government should place a higher priority on tackling empty homes	My local authority should place a higher priority on tackling empty homes	Empty homes are the responsibility of the homeowner, not the Government	Turning empty homes into usable homes is not going to solve the shortage of housing in the UK
Unweighted base	2052	2052	2052	2052	2052	2052
Weighted base	2052	2052	2052	2052	2052	2052
NET: Agree	732 36%	1590 78%	1594 78%	1515 74%	1105 54%	699 34%
Strongly agree (4)	247 12%	670 33%	656 32%	641 31%	302 15%	177 9%
Tend to agree (3)	485 24%	920 45%	939 46%	874 43%	803 39%	522 25%
Tend to disagree (2)	606 30%	169 8%	203 10%	197 10%	470 23%	733 36%
Strongly disagree (1)	369 18%	62 3%	49 2%	58 3%	187 9%	393 19%
NET: Disagree	975 48%	231 11%	252 12%	255 12%	656 32%	1125 55%
Don't know	345 17%	231 11%	206 10%	281 14%	291 14%	227 11%
Mean	2.36	3.21	3.19	3.19	2.69	2.27
Standard deviation	0.98	0.74	0.73	0.76	0.88	0.91
Standard error	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02

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Table 3

Q2. To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

Base: All respondents

Empty homes are a blight on my local area

	Total	Gender		Age						Social Grade				Employment Sector		
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NET: Agree	732 36%	368 37%	364 35%	68 28%	132 38%	129 37%	132 36%	112 37%	160 36%	179 33%	196 35%	181 41%	176 36%	113 44%	305 34%	
Strongly agree	(4) 12%	247 12%	125 12%	122 12%	17 7%	49 14%	49 14%	45 12%	36 12%	51 11%	69 13%	58 10%	64 14%	56 11%	34 13%	124 14%
Tend to agree	(3) 24%	485 24%	243 24%	243 23%	51 21%	82 24%	80 23%	87 24%	76 25%	109 24%	109 20%	139 24%	118 26%	120 25%	79 30%	181 20%
Tend to disagree	(2) 30%	606 30%	306 30%	300 29%	61 25%	89 26%	113 33%	99 27%	89 29%	156 35%	175 32%	169 30%	112 25%	150 31%	69 27%	253 28%
Strongly disagree	(1) 18%	369 18%	190 19%	179 17%	30 12%	63 18%	55 16%	70 19%	65 21%	86 19%	105 19%	113 20%	78 17%	74 15%	47 18%	165 19%
NET: Disagree	975 48%	496 49%	479 46%	91 37%	152 44%	168 48%	169 46%	154 51%	242 54%	280 51%	282 50%	189 42%	224 46%	116 45%	419 47%	
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Mean	2.36	2.35	2.36	2.35	2.42	2.42	2.35	2.31	2.31	2.31	2.30	2.45	2.40	2.44	2.36	
Standard deviation	0.98	0.98	0.97	0.91	1.02	0.97	1.00	0.99	0.95	0.99	0.96	1.01	0.94	0.98	1.02	
Standard error	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.07	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.06	0.05	0.07	0.04	

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Strongly disagree	(1) 369 18%	39 21%	8 9%	40 18%	34 18%	33 18%	28 20%	19 19%	41 20%	48 18%	48 17%	31 17%	94 20%	99 19%	13 14%	82 23%
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Don't know	345 17%	25 14%	13 16%	25 11%	21 11%	27 14%	18 13%	11 11%	34 17%	84 31%	47 16%	39 21%	64 13%	71 14%	14 14%	50 14%
Mean	2.36	2.36	2.59	2.39	2.40	2.39	2.37	2.41	2.23	2.25	2.37	2.34	2.30	2.41	2.38	2.28
Standard deviation	0.98	1.01	0.96	0.97	0.99	1.00	0.97	1.01	0.93	0.98	0.95	0.98	0.98	1.01	0.89	1.01
Standard error	0.02	0.08	0.11	0.07	0.07	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.07	0.08	0.06	0.08	0.05	0.05	0.10	0.06

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Table 4

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Strongly agree	(4) 670 33%	298 30%	372 36%	70 29%	113 33%	122 35%	127 35%	98 32%	141 31%	158 29%	177 31%	163 37%	172 35%	90 35%	290 33%
Tend to agree	(3) 920 45%	450 45%	471 45%	93 38%	145 42%	146 42%	152 41%	152 50%	233 52%	272 50%	264 46%	186 42%	199 41%	117 45%	369 42%
Tend to disagree	(2) 169 8%	102 10%	68 6%	23 9%	36 10%	31 9%	33 9%	18 6%	29 6%	50 9%	43 8%	40 9%	36 7%	25 10%	82 9%
Strongly disagree	(1) 62 3%	40 4%	22 2%	3 1%	17 5%	12 3%	11 3%	5 2%	14 3%	11 2%	17 3%	11 2%	24 5%	11 4%	27 3%
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Mean	3.21	3.13	3.28	3.22	3.14	3.22	3.22	3.25	3.20	3.18	3.20	3.25	3.20	3.18	3.20
Standard deviation	0.74	0.78	0.70	0.71	0.83	0.77	0.77	0.67	0.71	0.69	0.73	0.74	0.81	0.79	0.77
Standard error	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.03

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Strongly agree	(4) 33%	670 29%	54 30%	25 36%	80 37%	68 29%	54 35%	50 31%	32 27%	56 29%	77 29%	105 36%	71 38%	121 26%	177 35%	28 30%	145 40%
Tend to agree	(3) 45%	920 43%	80 43%	38 46%	100 44%	77 42%	91 49%	71 49%	53 52%	100 49%	114 43%	126 44%	71 38%	257 54%	216 42%	45 48%	141 39%
Tend to disagree	(2) 8%	169 8%	21 11%	5 6%	16 7%	19 10%	11 6%	14 9%	9 9%	10 5%	28 10%	25 9%	13 7%	34 7%	51 10%	14 15%	25 7%
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Mean	3.21	3.14	3.06	3.23	3.26	3.14	3.22	3.22	3.17	3.13	3.28	3.33	3.11	3.21	3.13	3.28	
Standard deviation	0.74	0.76	0.90	0.76	0.72	0.79	0.71	0.66	0.73	0.78	0.70	0.70	0.73	0.77	0.73	0.79	
Standard error	0.02	0.06	0.10	0.05	0.05	0.07	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.08	0.04	

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Central Government should place a higher priority on tackling empty homes

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NET: Agree	1594 78%	779 77%	815 78%	154 63%	253 73%	264 76%	287 79%	255 84%	381 85%	418 76%	442 78%	343 77%	391 80%	199 77%	653 73%
Strongly agree	(4) 656 32%	319 32%	336 32%	54 22%	101 29%	105 30%	124 34%	107 35%	164 37%	166 30%	160 28%	154 34%	175 36%	101 39%	237 27%
Tend to agree	(3) 939 46%	460 46%	479 46%	100 41%	152 44%	159 46%	163 45%	147 48%	217 49%	251 46%	282 49%	190 42%	216 44%	98 38%	416 47%
Tend to disagree	(2) 203 10%	101 10%	102 10%	27 11%	47 14%	30 9%	34 9%	20 7%	45 10%	64 12%	62 11%	45 10%	32 7%	30 12%	99 11%
Strongly disagree	(1) 49 2%	26 3%	23 2%	7 3%	12 3%	8 2%	15 4%	4 1%	4 1%	16 3%	9 2%	10 2%	14 3%	5 2%	33 4%
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Don't know	206 10%	100 10%	106 10%	56 23%	33 10%	45 13%	29 8%	26 8%	17 4%	51 9%	56 10%	49 11%	50 10%	26 10%	104 12%
Mean	3.19	3.18	3.20	3.07	3.10	3.20	3.18	3.29	3.26	3.14	3.16	3.22	3.26	3.26	3.09
Standard deviation	0.73	0.74	0.72	0.76	0.79	0.71	0.79	0.66	0.68	0.76	0.69	0.74	0.73	0.76	0.77
Standard error	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.03	0.05	0.03

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Q2. To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

Base: All respondents

Central Government should place a higher priority on tackling empty homes

	Region											Voting Intention					
	Total	Scot-land	North East	North West	York-shire & Hum-ber-side	West Mid-lands	East Mid-lands	Wales	East-ern	London	South East	South West	Con	Lab	LibDem	UKIP	
Unweighted base	2052	199	91	237	200	161	144	111	196	208	313	192	474	519	98	348	
Weighted base	2052	185	82	226	185	185	144	103	205	267	287	185	474	513	95	360	
NET: Agree	1594 78%	138 75%	70 85%	188 83%	150 81%	143 77%	117 82%	78 76%	154 75%	194 73%	224 78%	139 75%	371 78%	416 81%	81 85%	287 80%	
Strongly agree	(4) 32%	656 23%	42 36%	30 35%	80 31%	57 35%	65 26%	37 28%	29 26%	53 33%	87 37%	105 38%	70 27%	129 38%	197 32%	31 36%	131 36%
Tend to agree	(3) 46%	939 52%	95 49%	40 48%	108 50%	93 50%	78 42%	80 56%	49 48%	101 49%	107 40%	119 41%	69 37%	242 51%	218 43%	50 53%	156 43%
Tend to disagree	(2) 10%	203 14%	25 5%	4 6%	15 8%	15 8%	14 8%	20 14%	12 9%	19 10%	26 10%	33 11%	21 11%	55 12%	49 10%	9 10%	32 9%
Strongly disagree	(1) 2%	49 2%	3 2%	1 1%	8 4%	7 4%	7 4%	1 *	6 3%	7 3%	4 1%	3 2%	13 3%	14 3%	-	13 4%	
NET: Disagree	252 12%	29 16%	5 6%	23 10%	22 12%	21 11%	21 14%	13 13%	25 12%	33 12%	36 13%	24 13%	68 14%	63 12%	9 10%	44 12%	
Don't know	206 10%	18 10%	7 8%	15 6%	12 7%	21 11%	6 4%	12 11%	27 13%	39 15%	27 9%	22 12%	35 7%	34 7%	5 5%	28 8%	
Mean	3.19	3.06	3.31	3.23	3.16	3.23	3.12	3.15	3.12	3.20	3.25	3.27	3.11	3.25	3.24	3.22	
Standard deviation	0.73	0.70	0.65	0.75	0.75	0.78	0.65	0.70	0.72	0.77	0.73	0.75	0.72	0.75	0.62	0.77	
Standard error	0.02	0.05	0.07	0.05	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.07	0.05	0.06	0.04	0.06	0.03	0.03	0.06	0.04	

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Table 6

Q2. To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

Base: All respondents

My local authority should place a higher priority on tackling empty homes

	Total	Gender		Age						Social Grade				Employment Sector	
		Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Public	Private
Unweighted base	2052	1010	1042	247	325	328	372	327	453	565	611	379	497	246	849
Weighted base	2052	1006	1046	244	346	345	366	305	447	548	569	447	488	260	889
NET: Agree	1515 74%	748 74%	767 73%	156 64%	239 69%	251 73%	283 77%	240 79%	347 78%	403 73%	414 73%	323 72%	376 77%	196 75%	633 71%
Strongly agree	(4) 641 31%	311 31%	330 32%	46 19%	91 26%	116 34%	125 34%	107 35%	156 35%	157 29%	151 27%	150 34%	183 38%	90 34%	257 29%
Tend to agree	(3) 874 43%	437 43%	437 42%	110 45%	148 43%	135 39%	157 43%	133 44%	191 43%	246 45%	263 46%	172 39%	193 40%	106 41%	376 42%
Tend to disagree	(2) 197 10%	100 10%	96 9%	21 9%	49 14%	31 9%	35 10%	28 9%	33 7%	63 11%	57 10%	40 9%	37 8%	28 11%	95 11%
Strongly disagree	(1) 58 3%	30 3%	28 3%	9 4%	17 5%	14 4%	6 2%	4 1%	7 2%	19 3%	11 2%	14 3%	14 3%	9 3%	32 4%
NET: Disagree	255 12%	131 13%	125 12%	30 12%	66 19%	45 13%	41 11%	32 11%	40 9%	82 15%	68 12%	54 12%	50 10%	37 14%	127 14%
Don't know	281 14%	127 13%	154 15%	57 23%	41 12%	49 14%	42 11%	32 11%	60 13%	64 12%	86 15%	70 16%	61 13%	27 11%	130 15%
Mean	3.19	3.17	3.20	3.03	3.03	3.19	3.24	3.26	3.28	3.12	3.15	3.22	3.28	3.19	3.13
Standard deviation	0.76	0.76	0.75	0.75	0.83	0.81	0.72	0.70	0.70	0.77	0.71	0.78	0.75	0.79	0.78
Standard error	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.03

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My local authority should place a higher priority on tackling empty homes

	Region											Voting Intention					
	Total	Scot-land	North East	North West	York-shire & Hum-ber-side	West Mid-lands	East Mid-lands	Wales	East-ern	London	South East	South West	Con	Lab	LibDem	UKIP	
Unweighted base	2052	199	91	237	200	161	144	111	196	208	313	192	474	519	98	348	
Weighted base	2052	185	82	226	185	185	144	103	205	267	287	185	474	513	95	360	
NET: Agree	1515 74%	140 76%	61 74%	181 80%	145 79%	142 77%	115 80%	69 67%	141 69%	181 68%	212 74%	130 70%	354 75%	392 76%	74 78%	279 78%	
Strongly agree	(4) 31%	641 27%	49 30%	25 39%	87 35%	65 34%	62 24%	35 25%	25 31%	63 26%	69 34%	97 35%	64 28%	133 36%	185 33%	31 33%	118 33%
Tend to agree	(3) 43%	874 49%	91 44%	36 41%	93 43%	80 43%	80 55%	80 43%	44 38%	78 42%	112 40%	115 36%	66 47%	220 40%	206 45%	42 45%	161 45%
Tend to disagree	(2) 10%	197 9%	17 6%	5 8%	19 8%	14 8%	21 11%	13 9%	16 15%	18 9%	27 10%	36 13%	11 6%	48 10%	54 10%	9 9%	33 9%
Strongly disagree	(1) 3%	58 1%	2 4%	4 2%	5 2%	4 3%	5 1%	2 1%	1 4%	8 6%	15 2%	5 3%	5 2%	8 3%	13 3%	3 3%	15 4%
NET: Disagree	255 12%	20 11%	9 11%	24 11%	18 10%	26 14%	15 10%	17 16%	27 13%	43 16%	41 14%	17 9%	56 12%	67 13%	12 12%	48 13%	
Don't know	281 14%	26 14%	12 15%	21 9%	21 12%	17 9%	14 10%	17 16%	37 18%	43 16%	35 12%	38 21%	64 13%	54 10%	9 10%	33 9%	
Mean	3.19	3.17	3.18	3.28	3.26	3.18	3.14	3.08	3.17	3.05	3.20	3.29	3.17	3.23	3.20	3.17	
Standard deviation	0.76	0.67	0.78	0.73	0.73	0.77	0.64	0.73	0.81	0.84	0.75	0.76	0.70	0.77	0.76	0.78	
Standard error	0.02	0.05	0.09	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.06	0.08	0.06	0.06	0.05	0.06	0.03	0.04	0.08	0.04	

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Table 7

Q2. To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

Base: All respondents

Empty homes are the responsibility of the homeowner, not the Government

	Total	Gender		Age						Social Grade				Employment Sector		
		Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Public	Private	
Unweighted base	2052	1010	1042	247	325	328	372	327	453	565	611	379	497	246	849	
Weighted base	2052	1006	1046	244	346	345	366	305	447	548	569	447	488	260	889	
NET: Agree	1105 54%	591 59%	514 49%	79 33%	181 52%	184 53%	196 53%	173 57%	291 65%	313 57%	289 51%	253 57%	249 51%	138 53%	480 54%	
Strongly agree	(4) 15%	302 17%	173 12%	129 8%	20 16%	55 17%	58 13%	49 14%	42 18%	78 17%	91 13%	74 18%	79 12%	58 14%	37 17%	152
Tend to agree	(3) 39%	803 42%	419 37%	384 25%	60 36%	126 37%	126 40%	147 43%	131 48%	213 41%	223 38%	215 39%	174 39%	192 39%	101 39%	328
Tend to disagree	(2) 23%	470 20%	206 25%	264 28%	69 25%	86 20%	70 22%	80 21%	65 22%	99 23%	124 26%	146 18%	80 18%	120 25%	51 19%	203
Strongly disagree	(1) 9%	187 9%	98 10%	88 8%	33 13%	35 10%	28 8%	33 9%	34 11%	24 5%	45 8%	45 8%	52 12%	45 9%	27 10%	77
NET: Disagree	656 32%	304 30%	352 34%	102 42%	121 35%	98 28%	113 31%	99 32%	124 28%	168 31%	191 34%	132 30%	165 34%	78 30%	280 31%	
Don't know	291 14%	111 11%	180 17%	63 26%	43 12%	63 18%	57 16%	33 11%	32 7%	67 12%	89 16%	62 14%	73 15%	45 17%	129 15%	
Mean	2.69	2.74	2.64	2.37	2.67	2.76	2.68	2.67	2.83	2.75	2.66	2.73	2.63	2.69	2.73	
Standard deviation	0.88	0.89	0.86	0.90	0.91	0.89	0.86	0.88	0.80	0.87	0.85	0.94	0.85	0.90	0.89	
Standard error	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.07	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.06	0.03	

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Q2. To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

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Empty homes are the responsibility of the homeowner, not the Government

	Region											Voting Intention				
	Total	Scot-land	North East	North West	York-shire & Hum-ber-side	West Mid-lands	East Mid-lands	Wales	East-ern	London	South East	South West	Con	Lab	LibDem	UKIP
Unweighted base	2052	199	91	237	200	161	144	111	196	208	313	192	474	519	98	348
Weighted base	2052	185	82	226	185	185	144	103	205	267	287	185	474	513	95	360
NET: Agree	1105 54%	81 44%	41 50%	120 53%	115 62%	104 56%	88 61%	58 56%	107 52%	143 54%	154 54%	94 51%	304 64%	246 48%	50 52%	218 61%
Strongly agree	(4) 302 15%	23 12%	6 8%	40 18%	33 18%	23 12%	29 20%	9 8%	25 12%	49 18%	43 15%	22 12%	76 16%	76 15%	6 6%	73 20%
Tend to agree	(3) 803 39%	58 31%	34 42%	80 36%	82 44%	81 44%	60 42%	49 48%	82 40%	95 35%	110 38%	72 39%	228 48%	170 33%	43 46%	145 40%
Tend to disagree	(2) 470 23%	49 26%	14 17%	60 27%	40 22%	40 22%	32 23%	31 30%	44 22%	54 20%	72 25%	34 18%	99 21%	135 26%	29 31%	63 18%
Strongly disagree	(1) 187 9%	23 12%	10 12%	24 11%	6 3%	16 9%	10 7%	6 6%	18 9%	27 10%	27 9%	21 11%	34 7%	60 12%	5 6%	36 10%
NET: Disagree	656 32%	71 39%	24 29%	84 37%	46 25%	56 30%	43 30%	37 36%	62 30%	81 30%	99 35%	54 29%	133 28%	195 38%	35 37%	99 28%
Don't know	291 14%	32 17%	17 21%	22 10%	24 13%	25 13%	13 9%	8 8%	36 18%	43 16%	34 12%	36 20%	36 8%	72 14%	10 11%	43 12%
Mean	2.69	2.53	2.58	2.67	2.88	2.69	2.81	2.64	2.68	2.74	2.67	2.64	2.79	2.59	2.60	2.80
Standard deviation	0.88	0.92	0.87	0.92	0.77	0.84	0.87	0.74	0.86	0.93	0.88	0.90	0.82	0.93	0.72	0.92
Standard error	0.02	0.07	0.10	0.06	0.06	0.07	0.08	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.05	0.07	0.04	0.04	0.08	0.05

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Table 8

Q2. To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

Base: All respondents

Turning empty homes into usable homes is not going to solve the shortage of housing in the UK

	Total	Gender		Age						Social Grade				Employment Sector	
		Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Public	Private
Unweighted base	2052	1010	1042	247	325	328	372	327	453	565	611	379	497	246	849
Weighted base	2052	1006	1046	244	346	345	366	305	447	548	569	447	488	260	889
NET: Agree	699 34%	373 37%	327 31%	67 27%	137 40%	126 37%	122 33%	103 34%	144 32%	197 36%	180 32%	152 34%	170 35%	92 35%	321 36%
Strongly agree	(4) 177 9%	89 9%	89 8%	14 6%	44 13%	36 10%	39 11%	22 7%	22 5%	53 10%	33 6%	51 12%	39 8%	28 11%	91 10%
Tend to agree	(3) 522 25%	284 28%	238 23%	53 22%	93 27%	90 26%	83 23%	81 26%	122 27%	144 26%	147 26%	101 23%	130 27%	64 25%	230 26%
Tend to disagree	(2) 733 36%	348 35%	385 37%	76 31%	113 33%	109 31%	127 35%	115 38%	193 43%	198 36%	205 36%	153 34%	177 36%	89 34%	290 33%
Strongly disagree	(1) 393 19%	197 20%	196 19%	48 20%	64 18%	72 21%	82 22%	60 20%	67 15%	104 19%	111 20%	99 22%	79 16%	53 20%	178 20%
NET: Disagree	1125 55%	545 54%	580 55%	125 51%	177 51%	181 52%	209 57%	175 57%	260 58%	302 55%	316 56%	251 56%	256 52%	142 55%	469 53%
Don't know	227 11%	88 9%	139 13%	52 21%	32 9%	39 11%	35 10%	27 9%	43 10%	49 9%	72 13%	43 10%	62 13%	26 10%	99 11%
Mean	2.27	2.29	2.24	2.17	2.37	2.30	2.24	2.24	2.25	2.29	2.21	2.26	2.31	2.28	2.30
Standard deviation	0.91	0.91	0.90	0.89	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.88	0.79	0.92	0.86	0.97	0.88	0.95	0.94
Standard error	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.06	0.03

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Table 8

Q2. To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

Base: All respondents

Turning empty homes into usable homes is not going to solve the shortage of housing in the UK

	Region											Voting Intention				
	Total	Scotland	North East	North West	Yorkshire & Humberside	West Midlands	East Midlands	Wales	Eastern	London	South East	South West	Con	Lab	LibDem	UKIP
Unweighted base	2052	199	91	237	200	161	144	111	196	208	313	192	474	519	98	348
Weighted base	2052	185	82	226	185	185	144	103	205	267	287	185	474	513	95	360
NET: Agree	699 34%	62 34%	26 32%	68 30%	63 34%	62 34%	50 35%	33 32%	55 27%	122 46%	101 35%	57 31%	142 30%	214 42%	41 44%	131 36%
Strongly agree	(4) 177 9%	16 8%	7 9%	16 7%	12 6%	16 9%	16 11%	5 5%	17 8%	31 12%	29 10%	12 7%	31 7%	60 12%	9 10%	41 11%
Tend to agree	(3) 522 25%	47 25%	19 23%	52 23%	51 28%	46 25%	35 24%	28 27%	38 18%	91 34%	72 25%	44 24%	110 23%	153 30%	32 34%	90 25%
Tend to disagree	(2) 733 36%	77 42%	23 28%	83 37%	65 35%	70 38%	53 37%	39 38%	76 37%	74 28%	105 36%	68 37%	190 40%	170 33%	36 38%	136 38%
Strongly disagree	(1) 393 19%	31 17%	23 28%	51 23%	34 19%	34 18%	24 17%	22 22%	45 22%	40 15%	55 19%	32 17%	98 21%	84 16%	11 11%	65 18%
NET: Disagree	1125 55%	108 58%	46 56%	134 60%	99 54%	104 56%	77 54%	61 60%	121 59%	114 43%	160 56%	100 54%	288 61%	254 50%	47 50%	201 56%
Don't know	227 11%	15 8%	10 12%	24 11%	23 12%	18 10%	16 11%	9 8%	29 14%	31 12%	26 9%	28 15%	44 9%	45 9%	6 7%	28 8%
Mean	2.27	2.28	2.14	2.16	2.25	2.27	2.33	2.16	2.16	2.48	2.29	2.24	2.18	2.40	2.45	2.32
Standard deviation	0.91	0.87	0.99	0.90	0.87	0.90	0.92	0.85	0.92	0.92	0.92	0.87	0.87	0.93	0.84	0.93
Standard error	0.02	0.06	0.11	0.06	0.07	0.07	0.08	0.09	0.07	0.07	0.05	0.07	0.04	0.04	0.09	0.05

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Table 9

Q3. Below are a number of policies that the next government could implement, in order to help turn empty homes into usable homes. Which of these, if any, would you most like to see from the next government? Please select up to three answers.

Base: All respondents

	Total	Gender		Age						Social Grade				Employment Sector	
		Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Public	Pri- vate
Unweighted base	2052	1010	1042	247	325	328	372	327	453	565	611	379	497	246	849
Weighted base	2052	1006	1046	244	346	345	366	305	447	548	569	447	488	260	889
Making use of empty homes to help young people get on the housing ladder	1345 66%	640 64%	705 67%	161 66%	225 65%	204 59%	239 65%	209 68%	308 69%	341 62%	387 68%	290 65%	327 67%	168 64%	564 64%
Committing in its first year to creating a policy that will focus on bringing long-term empty homes (empty for 6 months or more) back into use	1028 50%	524 52%	504 48%	86 35%	153 44%	165 48%	178 49%	165 54%	281 63%	268 49%	286 50%	234 52%	241 49%	125 48%	394 44%
Making it easier for owners of un-used commercial property to turn these spaces into homes	925 45%	455 45%	470 45%	78 32%	130 38%	157 46%	154 42%	164 54%	241 54%	293 53%	239 42%	196 44%	197 40%	122 47%	380 43%
Committing to halving the number of long-term empty homes (empty for 6 months or more) within ten years	747 36%	392 39%	355 34%	68 28%	110 32%	138 40%	130 36%	123 40%	178 40%	199 36%	208 37%	160 36%	181 37%	99 38%	305 34%
None of the above	140 7%	68 7%	73 7%	34 14%	24 7%	26 8%	21 6%	12 4%	24 5%	26 5%	40 7%	25 6%	49 10%	17 7%	62 7%

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Weighted base	2052	185	82	226	185	185	144	103	205	267	287	185	474	513	95	360
Making use of empty homes to help young people get on the housing ladder	1345 66%	106 58%	58 71%	156 69%	124 67%	123 67%	110 77%	73 71%	126 61%	163 61%	188 66%	117 63%	324 68%	339 66%	59 62%	234 65%
Committing in its first year to creating a policy that will focus on bringing long-term empty homes (empty for 6 months or more) back into use	1028 50%	104 56%	40 48%	118 52%	95 51%	81 44%	63 44%	48 47%	97 47%	133 50%	150 52%	99 54%	235 50%	231 45%	49 52%	203 56%
Making it easier for owners of un-used commercial property to turn these spaces into homes	925 45%	80 43%	26 32%	103 46%	72 39%	79 43%	66 46%	48 47%	113 55%	114 43%	143 50%	80 43%	236 50%	210 41%	44 46%	173 48%
Committing to halving the number of long-term empty homes (empty for 6 months or more) within ten years	747 36%	70 38%	37 45%	71 32%	71 39%	76 41%	50 35%	32 32%	78 38%	83 31%	108 38%	70 38%	173 36%	197 38%	39 41%	137 38%
None of the above	140 7%	14 7%	9 11%	9 4%	14 8%	9 5%	5 3%	6 5%	18 9%	23 9%	17 6%	16 9%	15 3%	31 6%	5 5%	34 9%