

INDEPENDENT AGE – MPs QUESTIONS – APRIL 2019

Methodology: ComRes interviewed 150 MPs online and by self-completion paper survey between 27th March – 23rd May 2019. Data were weighted by party and region to be representative of the House of Commons. ComRes is a member of the British Polling Council and abides by its rules. Full tables at www.comresglobal.com

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SUMMARY TABLE

Base: All respondents

	Total	Strongly agree	Tend to agree	Tend to disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know	NETS		Mean
							Agree	Disagree	
Pension Credit exists to help the poorest pensioners in society	150 100%	48 32%	90 60%	4 3%	2 2%	6 4%	138 92%	7 4%	3.27
The current government should simplify the process of claiming Pension Credit	150 100%	53 35%	79 53%	2 1%	1 *	15 10%	132 88%	3 2%	3.36
It is the responsibility of the current government to ensure that all older people who are entitled to pension credit are receiving it	150 100%	53 35%	63 42%	17 11%	5 3%	12 8%	117 78%	21 14%	3.20
In light of its low uptake level, the current government should reform Pension Credit to ensure all pensioners receive the support they need	150 100%	38 26%	71 48%	14 9%	3 2%	23 16%	110 73%	17 11%	3.14
Successive governments have failed to improve the take-up of Pension Credit	150 100%	22 15%	75 50%	24 16%	2 1%	27 18%	97 65%	26 17%	2.95

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	Total	PARTY				COUNTRY			ENGLAND SUB-REGIONS				DATE OF BIRTH				MARGINALITY				LENGTH OF SERVICE					LENGTH OF SERVICE		GENDER		
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	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
Strongly agree	(4) 48	16	22	5	3	36	2	9	7	8	9	13	4	13	13	18	18	10	10	10	4	14	13	8	8	39	8	37	11	
	32%	23%	39%	67%	27%	31%	20%	45%	32%	28%	26%	37%	29%	37%	29%	32%	32%	39%	29%	28%	29%	33%	36%	29%	28%	33%	28%	32%	31%	
Tend to agree	(3) 90	52	28	1	8	73	9	8	14	17	24	17	9	20	28	33	30	14	21	26	10	25	20	18	17	73	17	70	20	
	60%	72%	50%	17%	65%	61%	74%	42%	68%	60%	71%	49%	65%	57%	62%	59%	54%	53%	63%	70%	66%	60%	58%	63%	57%	61%	57%	61%	57%	
Tend to disagree	(2) 4	1	2	1	-	2	-	2	-	1	-	1	-	1	2	1	3	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	3	1	3	2	2	
	3%	2%	4%	8%	-	2%	-	10%	-	3%	-	4%	-	2%	5%	3%	6%	-	2%	-	-	2%	-	2%	9%	1%	9%	2%	6%	
Strongly disagree	(1) 2	-	1	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	2	2	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	1	1	1	1	2	1
	2%	-	3%	-	8%	2%	-	-	-	-	-	7%	-	2%	-	3%	3%	-	2%	-	-	2%	2%	-	3%	1%	3%	2%	2%	
Don't know	6	3	2	1	-	4	1	1	-	3	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	5	1	4	2	
	4%	4%	4%	8%	-	4%	7%	4%	-	10%	2%	2%	6%	2%	5%	4%	4%	8%	3%	2%	5%	3%	4%	6%	2%	4%	2%	4%	4%	
NETS																														
Net: Agree	138	68	50	7	12	109	12	17	21	24	33	30	12	34	40	51	48	24	30	36	14	38	33	26	25	112	25	106	31	
	92%	94%	89%	83%	92%	92%	93%	86%	100%	87%	98%	87%	94%	94%	91%	91%	87%	92%	93%	98%	95%	93%	94%	92%	85%	93%	85%	93%	88%	
Net: Disagree	7	1	4	1	1	5	-	2	-	1	-	4	-	1	2	3	5	-	1	-	-	2	1	1	4	3	4	4	3	
	4%	2%	7%	8%	8%	4%	-	10%	-	3%	-	11%	-	4%	5%	6%	9%	-	5%	-	-	4%	2%	2%	12%	2%	12%	3%	8%	
Mean score	3.27	3.22	3.31	3.64	3.12	3.26	3.21	3.36	3.32	3.27	3.27	3.19	3.31	3.31	3.25	3.24	3.21	3.42	3.23	3.28	3.31	3.28	3.33	3.28	3.13	3.30	3.13	3.28	3.22	

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Pension Credit exists to help the poorest pensioners in society

Base: All respondents

		FAMILIARITY WITH INDEPENDENT AGE			
		Total	Familiar	Not familiar	Don't know
Unweighted Total		150	36	103	10
Weighted Total		150	34	107	9
		100%	100%	100%	100%
Strongly agree	(4)	48 32%	14 43%	31 29%	2 25%
Tend to agree	(3)	90 60%	17 50%	69 65%	4 43%
Tend to disagree	(2)	4 3%	1 4%	3 3%	- -
Strongly disagree	(1)	2 2%	1 3%	1 1%	- -
Don't know		6 4%	- -	3 3%	3 32%
NETS					
Net: Agree		138 92%	31 93%	100 94%	6 68%
Net: Disagree		7 4%	2 7%	4 3%	- -
Mean score		3.27	3.33	3.26	3.36

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Q1_2. Recent statistics from the Department for Work and Pensions estimate that 40% of pensioners in Great Britain who are entitled to Pension Credit are not receiving it. To what extent, if at all, do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

Successive governments have failed to improve the take-up of Pension Credit

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	Total	PARTY				COUNTRY			ENGLAND SUB-REGIONS				DATE OF BIRTH				MARGINALITY				LENGTH OF SERVICE					LENGTH OF SERVICE		GENDER		
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	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Strongly agree	(4) 22 15%	4 5%	12 21%	3 42%	3 25%	15 13%	2 20%	4 23%	2 10%	1 5%	2 5%	10 29%	4 29%	3 8%	5 10%	11 19%	12 21%	5 20%	3 9%	2 6%	2 15%	4 9%	7 19%	4 16%	5 16%	17 14%	5 16%	17 15%	5 15%	
Tend to agree	(3) 75 50%	41 57%	23 41%	4 50%	7 52%	58 49%	7 56%	10 51%	11 54%	12 42%	21 61%	14 40%	6 44%	22 61%	23 51%	25 44%	27 49%	12 47%	19 60%	16 44%	9 61%	22 53%	18 51%	15 51%	12 39%	63 53%	12 39%	59 52%	16 45%	
Tend to disagree	(2) 24 16%	11 15%	11 19%	- -	2 15%	20 17%	1 11%	3 14%	3 14%	6 23%	4 11%	7 19%	3 21%	5 15%	10 23%	5 9%	7 12%	4 13%	7 22%	6 17%	3 19%	8 19%	6 16%	4 15%	3 10%	21 17%	3 10%	18 16%	6 17%	
Strongly disagree	(1) 2 1%	1 2%	1 1%	- -	- -	2 2%	- -	- -	1 4%	1 5%	- -	- -	- -	1 4%	- -	1 1%	- -	- -	1 2%	1 4%	- -	1 3%	- -	1 3%	- -	2 2%	- -	1 1%	1 1%	
Don't know	27 18%	15 21%	10 18%	1 8%	1 8%	23 19%	2 13%	2 12%	4 18%	7 26%	8 23%	4 12%	1 6%	4 12%	7 16%	15 26%	10 17%	5 19%	2 6%	10 29%	1 5%	7 16%	5 14%	4 15%	10 34%	17 14%	10 34%	19 17%	7 21%	
NETS																														
Net: Agree	97 65%	45 62%	35 62%	7 92%	10 77%	73 62%	10 76%	14 73%	14 64%	13 47%	23 66%	24 69%	10 73%	25 69%	27 61%	36 63%	39 71%	18 68%	22 69%	18 51%	12 76%	25 62%	25 69%	19 67%	17 56%	81 67%	17 56%	76 66%	22 60%	
Net: Disagree	26 17%	12 17%	11 20%	- -	2 15%	22 18%	1 11%	3 14%	4 18%	8 28%	4 11%	7 19%	3 21%	7 19%	10 23%	6 11%	7 12%	4 13%	8 25%	8 21%	3 19%	9 22%	6 16%	5 18%	3 10%	23 19%	3 10%	19 17%	7 19%	
Mean score	2.95	2.83	2.99	3.45	3.11	2.91	3.10	3.10	2.86	2.62	2.93	3.11	3.09	2.84	2.84	3.10	3.11	3.09	2.80	2.74	2.96	2.81	3.03	2.94	3.09	2.93	3.09	2.96	2.92	

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Weighted Total		150	34	107	9
		100%	100%	100%	100%
Strongly agree	(4)	22 15%	8 23%	14 13%	1 8%
Tend to agree	(3)	75 50%	17 51%	54 51%	4 42%
Tend to disagree	(2)	24 16%	8 24%	15 14%	- -
Strongly disagree	(1)	2 1%	- -	2 2%	- -
Don't know		27 18%	1 2%	22 20%	4 49%
NETS					
Net: Agree		97 65%	25 74%	68 64%	5 51%
Net: Disagree		26 17%	8 24%	17 16%	- -
Mean score		2.95	2.99	2.93	3.16

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Q1_3. Recent statistics from the Department for Work and Pensions estimate that 40% of pensioners in Great Britain who are entitled to Pension Credit are not receiving it. To what extent, if at all, do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

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	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Strongly agree	(4) 53	8	35	5	4	38	6	9	10	4	8	16	3	13	17	19	21	11	10	11	6	15	11	10	12	41	12	36	17	
	35%	11%	62%	67%	35%	32%	44%	49%	48%	13%	24%	47%	24%	37%	38%	35%	38%	43%	30%	31%	39%	36%	31%	34%	40%	34%	40%	32%	46%	
Tend to agree	(3) 63	37	19	2	6	53	4	7	8	15	15	16	8	17	19	20	20	10	15	18	6	19	17	13	10	54	10	49	14	
	42%	51%	33%	25%	48%	45%	28%	36%	36%	53%	43%	45%	60%	46%	42%	36%	37%	39%	48%	48%	38%	46%	47%	44%	32%	45%	32%	43%	39%	
Tend to disagree	(2) 17	17	-	-	-	15	1	-	3	3	8	1	1	3	4	8	7	1	4	4	3	3	4	3	4	12	4	15	1	
	11%	23%	-	-	-	13%	11%	-	13%	10%	25%	4%	11%	8%	9%	15%	13%	5%	12%	11%	18%	7%	11%	10%	14%	10%	14%	13%	4%	
Strongly disagree	(1) 5	3	1	-	1	3	-	1	-	3	-	1	-	2	1	1	2	1	-	1	-	2	1	-	1	3	1	5	-	
	3%	4%	1%	-	10%	3%	-	7%	-	9%	-	2%	-	6%	3%	2%	4%	5%	-	4%	-	5%	4%	-	4%	3%	4%	4%	-	
Don't know	12	8	2	1	1	8	2	2	1	4	3	1	1	1	4	7	5	2	3	2	1	2	3	4	3	9	3	9	4	
	8%	11%	4%	8%	8%	7%	18%	9%	4%	15%	8%	2%	6%	3%	8%	12%	9%	8%	10%	6%	5%	6%	8%	12%	10%	8%	10%	8%	10%	
NETS																														
Net: Agree	117	45	53	7	11	91	9	16	18	18	23	32	11	30	36	40	41	22	25	29	12	34	27	22	22	95	22	86	31	
	78%	62%	94%	92%	83%	77%	71%	85%	83%	66%	67%	92%	83%	84%	80%	71%	75%	82%	78%	79%	76%	82%	77%	78%	72%	79%	72%	75%	86%	
Net: Disagree	21	19	1	-	1	18	1	1	3	5	8	2	1	5	5	9	9	3	4	6	3	5	5	3	5	16	5	20	1	
	14%	26%	1%	-	10%	16%	11%	7%	13%	19%	25%	6%	11%	14%	12%	17%	16%	10%	12%	15%	18%	12%	15%	10%	18%	13%	18%	17%	4%	
Mean score	3.20	2.79	3.62	3.73	3.16	3.15	3.40	3.39	3.36	2.81	2.99	3.40	3.14	3.18	3.25	3.18	3.19	3.31	3.20	3.13	3.22	3.20	3.13	3.27	3.20	3.20	3.20	3.11	3.47	

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Unweighted Total		150	36	103	10
Weighted Total		150	34	107	9
		100%	100%	100%	100%
Strongly agree	(4)	53 35%	18 54%	33 31%	1 16%
Tend to agree	(3)	63 42%	10 30%	49 46%	5 51%
Tend to disagree	(2)	17 11%	4 12%	12 12%	-
Strongly disagree	(1)	5 3%	-	4 4%	-
Don't know		12 8%	1 4%	8 8%	3 32%
NETS					
Net: Agree		117 78%	28 84%	82 77%	6 68%
Net: Disagree		21 14%	4 12%	16 15%	-
Mean score		3.20	3.43	3.14	3.24

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Q1_4. Recent statistics from the Department for Work and Pensions estimate that 40% of pensioners in Great Britain who are entitled to Pension Credit are not receiving it. To what extent, if at all, do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

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	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Strongly agree	(4) 38 26%	5 8%	23 41%	4 50%	5 42%	27 23%	4 33%	7 39%	11 50%	1 5%	3 10%	11 32%	4 28%	11 31%	10 23%	13 23%	14 25%	7 28%	10 29%	7 20%	5 34%	8 20%	8 22%	7 25%	10 33%	29 24%	10 33%	24 21%	14 40%	
Tend to agree	(3) 71 48%	41 56%	23 40%	3 33%	5 40%	58 49%	4 28%	9 49%	8 40%	13 48%	22 63%	15 43%	6 45%	16 45%	23 52%	26 46%	27 49%	11 41%	17 51%	17 47%	7 47%	21 50%	14 39%	16 55%	14 46%	58 48%	14 46%	60 53%	11 31%	
Tend to disagree	(2) 14 9%	10 13%	4 7%	- -	- -	9 8%	4 33%	- -	- -	1 5%	5 15%	3 8%	1 11%	4 12%	5 11%	3 5%	8 14%	1 3%	4 11%	2 4%	- -	5 12%	6 16%	1 5%	1 5%	12 10%	1 5%	12 10%	2 4%	
Strongly disagree	(1) 3 2%	1 2%	1 1%	- -	1 10%	3 3%	- -	- -	- -	3 9%	- -	1 2%	- -	1 4%	1 2%	1 2%	- -	1 5%	- -	2 6%	1 5%	1 3%	1 4%	- -	- -	3 3%	- -	3 2%	1 2%	
Don't know	23 16%	15 21%	6 11%	1 17%	1 8%	20 17%	1 7%	2 12%	2 10%	9 32%	4 12%	5 14%	2 17%	3 8%	5 12%	13 23%	6 12%	6 23%	3 9%	8 22%	2 14%	6 14%	7 18%	4 14%	5 17%	19 15%	5 17%	15 14%	8 22%	
NETS																														
Net: Agree	110 73%	46 64%	46 81%	7 83%	11 83%	85 72%	8 60%	17 88%	19 90%	15 53%	25 73%	26 75%	10 73%	27 76%	34 75%	39 69%	41 74%	18 69%	26 80%	25 68%	12 81%	29 71%	22 62%	23 81%	23 79%	86 72%	23 79%	84 74%	25 71%	
Net: Disagree	17 11%	11 15%	5 8%	- -	1 10%	13 11%	4 33%	- -	- -	4 14%	5 15%	4 11%	1 11%	6 16%	6 13%	4 7%	8 14%	2 8%	4 11%	4 10%	1 5%	6 16%	7 20%	1 5%	1 5%	16 13%	1 5%	15 13%	2 6%	
Mean score	3.14	2.88	3.36	3.60	3.25	3.11	3.00	3.44	3.56	2.72	2.94	3.23	3.21	3.12	3.10	3.18	3.13	3.21	3.20	3.06	3.28	3.02	2.99	3.24	3.33	3.10	3.33	3.07	3.41	

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Q1_4. Recent statistics from the Department for Work and Pensions estimate that 40% of pensioners in Great Britain who are entitled to Pension Credit are not receiving it. To what extent, if at all, do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

In light of its low uptake level, the current government should reform Pension Credit to ensure all pensioners receive the support they need

Base: All respondents

		FAMILIARITY WITH INDEPENDENT AGE			
		Total	Familiar	Not familiar	Don't know
Unweighted Total		150	36	103	10
Weighted Total		150	34	107	9
		100%	100%	100%	100%
Strongly agree	(4)	38 26%	12 37%	25 24%	1 8%
Tend to agree	(3)	71 48%	13 39%	53 49%	5 60%
Tend to disagree	(2)	14 9%	6 17%	7 7%	- -
Strongly disagree	(1)	3 2%	- -	3 3%	- -
Don't know		23 16%	2 7%	18 17%	3 32%
NETS					
Net: Agree		110 73%	26 77%	78 73%	6 68%
Net: Disagree		17 11%	6 17%	10 10%	- -
Mean score		3.14	3.22	3.13	3.12

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Q1_5. Recent statistics from the Department for Work and Pensions estimate that 40% of pensioners in Great Britain who are entitled to Pension Credit are not receiving it. To what extent, if at all, do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

The current government should simplify the process of claiming Pension Credit

Base: All respondents

	PARTY					COUNTRY			ENGLAND SUB-REGIONS				DATE OF BIRTH				MARGINALITY				LENGTH OF SERVICE					LENGTH OF SERVICE		GENDER		
	Total	Con	Lab	SNP	Other	Eng-land	Wales	Scot-land & NI	Lon-don	South	Mids	North	Pre-1950	1950-1959	1960-1969	1970+	0.1-9.9%	10.0-19.9%	20.0-29.9%	30%+	Pre-1997	1997-2009	2010-2014	2015-2017	2017+	Retur-ning	New	Male	Fe-male	
Unweighted Total	150	53	73	12	12	114	12	24	21	22	28	43	13	37	43	57	56	26	31	37	15	39	33	31	32	118	32	108	42	
Weighted Total	150	72	57	8	13	118	13	19	21	28	34	35	13	36	44	56	55	26	32	36	15	41	35	28	30	120	30	114	36	
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Strongly agree	(4) 53	8	30	5	9	35	6	12	12	4	5	14	3	15	18	16	23	10	8	12	5	15	10	9	13	39	13	37	15	
	35%	11%	54%	67%	67%	29%	49%	60%	58%	13%	14%	41%	24%	42%	42%	28%	42%	37%	23%	34%	34%	38%	28%	31%	45%	33%	45%	33%	43%	
Tend to agree	(3) 79	51	22	2	4	67	6	7	9	14	27	17	7	19	20	33	28	12	22	18	8	20	21	15	14	65	14	62	17	
	53%	70%	40%	25%	33%	56%	44%	36%	42%	50%	78%	49%	49%	53%	46%	59%	50%	45%	68%	49%	52%	49%	60%	54%	49%	54%	49%	55%	47%	
Tend to disagree	(2) 2	1	1	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	2	-	2	-	
	1%	2%	1%	-	-	2%	-	-	-	-	4%	2%	11%	2%	-	-	1%	-	4%	-	-	2%	-	5%	-	2%	-	2%	-	
Strongly disagree	(1) 1	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	
	*	-	1%	-	-	1%	-	-	-	-	-	2%	-	-	-	1%	-	-	-	2%	-	1%	-	-	-	1%	-	1%	-	
Don't know	15	12	2	1	-	14	1	1	-	10	1	2	2	1	6	6	3	5	1	6	2	4	4	3	2	13	2	12	4	
	10%	17%	4%	8%	-	12%	7%	4%	-	37%	4%	6%	17%	4%	13%	11%	6%	18%	4%	16%	14%	10%	12%	10%	7%	11%	7%	10%	10%	
NETS																														
Net: Agree	132	59	53	7	13	101	12	19	21	17	31	32	10	34	39	50	51	22	30	30	13	35	31	24	28	104	28	100	32	
	88%	81%	93%	92%	100%	86%	93%	96%	100%	63%	92%	90%	73%	94%	87%	88%	92%	82%	91%	82%	86%	86%	88%	85%	93%	87%	93%	87%	90%	
Net: Disagree	3	1	1	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	-	1	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	1	-	3	-	3	-	
	2%	2%	3%	-	-	2%	-	-	-	-	4%	4%	11%	2%	-	1%	1%	-	4%	2%	-	4%	-	5%	-	2%	-	3%	-	
Mean score	3.36	3.11	3.52	3.73	3.67	3.30	3.53	3.62	3.58	3.20	3.10	3.36	3.16	3.41	3.48	3.29	3.43	3.45	3.20	3.35	3.39	3.36	3.32	3.29	3.48	3.33	3.48	3.33	3.47	

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Q1_5. Recent statistics from the Department for Work and Pensions estimate that 40% of pensioners in Great Britain who are entitled to Pension Credit are not receiving it. To what extent, if at all, do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

The current government should simplify the process of claiming Pension Credit

Base: All respondents

		FAMILIARITY WITH INDEPENDENT AGE			
		Total	Familiar	Not familiar	Don't know
Unweighted Total		150	36	103	10
Weighted Total		150	34	107	9
		100%	100%	100%	100%
Strongly agree	(4)	53 35%	17 49%	34 32%	2 24%
Tend to agree	(3)	79 53%	16 47%	60 56%	4 44%
Tend to disagree	(2)	2 1%	1 4%	-	-
Strongly disagree	(1)	1 *	-	1 1%	-
Don't know		15 10%	-	12 12%	3 32%
NETS					
Net: Agree		132 88%	32 96%	94 88%	6 68%
Net: Disagree		3 2%	1 4%	1 1%	-
Mean score		3.36	3.45	3.34	3.35

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Q2. How familiar or otherwise would you say you are with the charity Independent Age?

Base: All respondents

	PARTY					COUNTRY			ENGLAND SUB-REGIONS				DATE OF BIRTH				MARGINALITY				LENGTH OF SERVICE					LENGTH OF SERVICE		GENDER		
	Total	Con	Lab	SNP	Other	Eng-land	Wales	Scot-land & NI	Lon-don	South	Mids	North	Pre-1950	1950-1959	1960-1969	1970+	0.1-9.9%	10.0-19.9%	20.0-29.9%	30%+	Pre-1997	1997-2009	2010-2014	2015-2017	2017+	Retur-ning	New	Male	Fe-male	
Unweighted Total	150	53	73	12	12	114	12	24	21	22	28	43	13	37	43	57	56	26	31	37	15	39	33	31	32	118	32	108	42	
Weighted Total	150	72	57	8	13	118	13	19	21	28	34	35	13	36	44	56	55	26	32	36	15	41	35	28	30	120	30	114	36	
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
Very familiar	(4)	4	1	2	-	-	4	-	-	1	-	1	1	2	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	-	-	1	3	1	2	1	
		2%	2%	4%	-	-	3%	-	-	4%	-	4%	4%	6%	6%	-	1%	1%	3%	4%	2%	9%	4%	-	-	2%	2%	2%	4%	
Fairly familiar	(3)	30	11	14	3	2	23	4	3	6	6	4	8	4	11	7	8	9	5	13	3	7	6	6	8	3	27	3	23	7
		20%	15%	25%	33%	17%	20%	31%	14%	28%	23%	11%	22%	33%	32%	15%	13%	16%	20%	40%	8%	47%	15%	16%	27%	11%	22%	11%	20%	19%
Not very familiar	(2)	57	29	22	3	4	47	2	9	8	8	16	15	5	8	19	25	22	12	7	16	5	11	14	14	13	44	13	40	17
		38%	39%	38%	33%	30%	39%	13%	45%	38%	28%	47%	42%	38%	22%	43%	44%	40%	48%	21%	44%	33%	26%	39%	51%	44%	36%	44%	35%	48%
Not at all familiar	(1)	50	29	14	1	6	39	6	5	6	12	12	9	2	14	15	19	17	6	11	15	1	20	15	6	8	42	8	42	8
		33%	40%	25%	17%	45%	33%	50%	25%	30%	42%	34%	25%	17%	38%	34%	33%	31%	25%	35%	42%	5%	50%	43%	20%	25%	35%	25%	37%	23%
Don't know		9	3	4	1	1	5	1	3	-	2	1	1	1	-	4	5	6	1	-	2	1	1	1	5	4	5	7	2	
		6%	4%	7%	17%	8%	4%	7%	16%	-	8%	4%	4%	6%	-	8%	8%	11%	5%	-	4%	5%	3%	2%	2%	18%	3%	18%	6%	6%
No response		1	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
		*	-	1%	-	-	1%	-	-	-	-	2%	-	2%	-	-	-	1%	-	-	-	-	2%	-	-	-	1%	-	1%	-
NETS																														
Net: Familiar		34	12	16	3	2	27	4	3	7	6	5	9	5	14	7	8	10	6	14	4	9	8	6	8	4	30	4	26	8
		22%	17%	29%	33%	17%	23%	31%	14%	31%	23%	15%	26%	39%	38%	15%	15%	17%	23%	44%	10%	56%	19%	16%	27%	13%	25%	13%	22%	23%
Net: Not familiar		107	57	36	4	10	85	8	13	15	19	28	24	7	22	34	43	38	19	18	31	6	31	29	20	21	86	21	81	25
		71%	79%	63%	50%	75%	72%	63%	70%	69%	70%	81%	68%	55%	60%	77%	77%	70%	72%	56%	86%	39%	76%	82%	71%	69%	72%	69%	71%	71%
Mean score		1.91	1.79	2.09	2.20	1.70	1.93	1.80	1.87	2.05	1.79	1.84	2.05	2.30	2.06	1.79	1.81	1.87	2.01	2.14	1.69	2.63	1.71	1.73	2.07	1.89	1.92	1.89	1.87	2.05

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Q2. How familiar or otherwise would you say you are with the charity Independent Age?

Base: All respondents

		FAMILIARITY WITH INDEPENDENT AGE			
		Total	Familiar	Not familiar	Don't know
Unweighted Total		150	36	103	10
Weighted Total		150	34	107	9
		100%	100%	100%	100%
Very familiar	(4)	4	4	-	-
		2%	11%	-	-
Fairly familiar	(3)	30	30	-	-
		20%	89%	-	-
Not very familiar	(2)	57	-	57	-
		38%	-	53%	-
Not at all familiar	(1)	50	-	50	-
		33%	-	47%	-
Don't know		9	-	-	9
		6%	-	-	100%
No response		1	-	-	-
		*	-	-	-
NETS					
Net: Familiar		34	34	-	-
		22%	100%	-	-
Net: Not familiar		107	-	107	-
		71%	-	100%	-
Mean score		1.91	3.11	1.53	-