

EMPTY HOMES – EMPTY RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY POLL – OCTOBER 2016

METHODOLOGY NOTE

ComRes interviewed 2,054 GB adults online between 14th and 16th October 2016. Data were weighted to be representative by age, gender, region and social grade. Data were also weighted by past vote recall. Data are representative of all adults in Great Britain. ComRes is a member of the British Polling Council and abides by its rules.

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Empty Residential Properties Poll

ONLINE Fieldwork: 14th - 16th October 2016

Absolutes/col percents

Table 4

Q.1 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about empty properties?

Summary

Base: All respondents

	Statements					
	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	2054	2054	2054	2054	2054	2054
Weighted base	2054	2054	2054	2054	2054	2054
NET: Agree	807 39%	1600 78%	1702 83%	1571 76%	1003 49%	886 43%
Agree strongly (4)	229 11%	682 33%	745 36%	678 33%	241 12%	199 10%
Tend to agree (3)	578 28%	918 45%	958 47%	893 43%	762 37%	687 33%
Tend to disagree (2)	566 28%	191 9%	144 7%	209 10%	593 29%	669 33%
Disagree strongly (1)	409 20%	45 2%	26 1%	33 2%	169 8%	254 12%
NET: Disagree	975 47%	236 11%	170 8%	241 12%	762 37%	923 45%
Don't know	272 13%	218 11%	182 9%	242 12%	290 14%	245 12%
Mean	2.35	3.22	3.29	3.22	2.61	2.46
Standard deviation	0.97	0.72	0.67	0.72	0.84	0.87
Standard error	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02

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Base: All respondents

	Gender			Age						Social Grade				Employment Sector	
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Public	Pri- vate
Unweighted base	2054	971	1083	223	326	332	344	313	516	615	604	300	535	258	787
Weighted base	2054	1000	1054	238	356	337	366	296	460	553	553	448	501	279	884
NET: Agree	807	414	393	81	146	137	159	107	177	211	193	188	215	116	357
	39%	41%	37%	34%	41%	41%	43%	36%	38%	38%	35%	42%	43%	41%	40%
Agree strongly	(4) 229	121	108	19	40	52	52	28	37	58	47	52	73	29	107
	11%	12%	10%	8%	11%	15%	14%	10%	8%	10%	8%	12%	15%	10%	12%
Tend to agree	(3) 578	294	284	62	106	85	107	79	139	154	146	136	142	87	250
	28%	29%	27%	26%	30%	25%	29%	27%	30%	28%	26%	30%	28%	31%	28%
Tend to disagree	(2) 566	269	296	69	86	94	108	89	119	168	187	99	112	92	245
	28%	27%	28%	29%	24%	28%	29%	30%	26%	30%	34%	22%	22%	33%	28%
Disagree strongly	(1) 409	208	202	32	65	64	63	80	105	107	104	95	104	32	179
	20%	21%	19%	14%	18%	19%	17%	27%	23%	19%	19%	21%	21%	11%	20%
NET: Disagree	975	477	498	102	151	158	171	169	224	275	290	193	216	124	424
	47%	48%	47%	43%	42%	47%	47%	57%	49%	50%	53%	43%	43%	44%	48%
Don't know	272	109	163	55	59	42	36	20	60	66	70	67	69	39	102
	13%	11%	15%	23%	17%	12%	10%	7%	13%	12%	13%	15%	14%	14%	12%
Mean	2.35	2.37	2.34	2.37	2.41	2.42	2.45	2.20	2.27	2.33	2.28	2.38	2.43	2.47	2.36
Standard deviation	0.97	0.99	0.96	0.90	0.98	1.02	0.97	0.98	0.95	0.95	0.91	1.00	1.03	0.87	0.98
Standard error	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.07	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.06	0.05	0.06	0.04

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Empty homes are a blight on my local area

Base: All respondents

	Region													Which of the following best describes your current working status?									
	Total	England	Scotland	North East	North West	Yorkshire & Humberside	West Midlands	East Midlands	Wales	East-ern	London	South East	South West	NET: Work-ing	Work-ing full time	Work-ing part time	NET: Not working	Not working seeking work	Not working and not seeking work	Retired on a state pension only	Retired with a private pension	House person	
Unweighted base	2054	1740	201	89	199	200	167	155	113	208	252	262	208	1045	706	339	1009	110	177	132	432	158	
Weighted base	2054	1771	179	86	236	174	185	152	105	199	271	287	181	1163	920	242	891	109	154	134	359	136	
NET: Agree	807 39%	710 40%	53 30%	39 45%	88 37%	79 45%	78 42%	54 36%	44 42%	79 40%	103 38%	116 40%	74 41%	473 41%	373 41%	100 41%	334 37%	35 32%	56 36%	59 44%	128 36%	57 42%	
Agree strongly	(4) 11%	229 12%	206 6%	11 10%	9 11%	25 15%	26 13%	24 7%	11 12%	13 9%	17 11%	29 13%	36 15%	28 12%	136 12%	114 9%	22 10%	93 15%	17 7%	11 13%	18 8%	29 14%	18
Tend to agree	(3) 28%	578 28%	504 24%	42 36%	31 26%	62 30%	52 29%	54 28%	43 30%	31 31%	62 27%	73 28%	80 26%	47 29%	337 28%	259 28%	78 32%	241 27%	18 16%	44 29%	41 31%	99 28%	38 28%
Tend to disagree	(2) 28%	566 27%	480 33%	59 26%	22 29%	68 31%	54 19%	35 33%	26 25%	54 27%	74 27%	81 28%	41 23%	337 29%	273 30%	64 26%	228 26%	24 22%	43 28%	27 20%	105 29%	30 22%	
Disagree strongly	(1) 20%	409 19%	338 28%	50 16%	14 22%	51 14%	25 21%	39 23%	35 21%	21 21%	41 16%	44 17%	49 22%	39 18%	211 18%	162 18%	50 20%	198 22%	35 32%	23 15%	25 18%	86 24%	31 23%
NET: Disagree	975 47%	819 46%	109 61%	37 42%	120 51%	79 45%	74 40%	85 56%	47 45%	95 48%	119 44%	130 45%	80 44%	548 47%	435 47%	114 47%	427 48%	58 53%	66 43%	52 39%	191 53%	60 45%	
Don't know	272 13%	242 14%	17 9%	10 12%	29 12%	17 10%	33 18%	12 8%	13 13%	25 12%	50 18%	41 14%	27 15%	141 12%	113 12%	29 12%	131 15%	16 15%	32 21%	23 17%	41 11%	18 14%	
Mean	2.35	2.38	2.09	2.44	2.30	2.50	2.42	2.21	2.39	2.32	2.40	2.42	2.41	2.39	2.40	2.34	2.30	2.18	2.37	2.47	2.22	2.38	
Standard deviation	0.97	0.97	0.91	0.93	0.98	0.95	1.04	0.92	1.00	0.94	0.95	0.97	1.06	0.96	0.96	0.95	0.99	1.13	0.89	1.01	0.95	1.04	
Standard error	0.02	0.03	0.07	0.10	0.07	0.07	0.09	0.08	0.10	0.07	0.07	0.06	0.08	0.03	0.04	0.06	0.03	0.12	0.08	0.10	0.05	0.09	

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Empty homes are a blight on my local area

Base: All respondents

	Tenure			Education Level					Still in full time education	Ethnicity		Local Area		General Election 2015 Vote							
	Total	Owner	Renter	No formal education	Primary	Secondary	University degree	Higher university degree		White	BAME	Urban	Rural	Cons	Lab	Lib Dem	UKIP	SNP	Other party	Did not vote	
Unweighted base	2054	1252	773	15	10	1076	661	195	75	1886	108	1659	395	573	605	140	277	85	101	218	
Weighted base	2054	1283	745	19	8	1084	656	200	67	1875	110	1662	392	663	561	142	237	87	97	213	
NET: Agree	807 39%	499 39%	297 40%	7 37%	3 39%	438 40%	237 36%	87 43%	25 37%	720 38%	58 53%	678 41%	129 33%	260 39%	233 42%	47 33%	106 45%	26 30%	45 46%	72 34%	
Agree strongly	(4) 11%	229 10%	133 13%	95 18%	4 26%	2 11%	119 9%	57 17%	35 7%	4 10%	192 20%	22 12%	198 8%	31 9%	60 13%	74 9%	12 9%	25 11%	3 4%	20 20%	31 15%
Tend to agree	(3) 28%	578 29%	366 27%	202 27%	4 18%	1 13%	319 29%	180 27%	52 30%	20 28%	527 33%	36 29%	479 25%	99 30%	200 28%	160 25%	35 34%	81 27%	23 26%	25 19%	40 19%
Tend to disagree	(2) 28%	566 31%	395 22%	167 46%	9 11%	1 26%	282 29%	187 31%	62 32%	22 28%	529 21%	23 27%	444 31%	121 29%	194 25%	143 25%	42 30%	65 27%	29 34%	24 25%	54 25%
Disagree strongly	(1) 20%	409 20%	262 20%	144 19%	1 3%	- -	223 21%	144 22%	32 16%	7 10%	395 21%	10 9%	309 19%	100 26%	141 21%	113 20%	29 21%	44 19%	21 24%	19 20%	36 17%
NET: Disagree	975 47%	657 51%	310 42%	9 49%	1 11%	505 47%	331 50%	94 47%	28 42%	924 49%	33 30%	753 45%	221 57%	336 51%	255 45%	72 50%	109 46%	50 58%	43 45%	90 42%	
Don't know	272 13%	126 10%	138 18%	3 15%	4 50%	140 13%	88 13%	20 10%	14 21%	232 12%	18 17%	231 14%	41 11%	67 10%	72 13%	23 16%	22 9%	10 11%	8 9%	51 24%	
Mean	2.35	2.32	2.41	2.61	3.30	2.35	2.26	2.49	2.42	2.31	2.77	2.40	2.17	2.30	2.40	2.26	2.41	2.11	2.51	2.41	
Standard deviation	0.97	0.95	1.01	0.89	0.93	0.98	0.95	1.00	0.82	0.96	0.94	0.97	0.94	0.94	1.00	0.95	0.94	0.86	1.07	1.04	
Standard error	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.26	0.42	0.03	0.04	0.08	0.11	0.02	0.10	0.03	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.09	0.06	0.10	0.11	0.08	

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The government focuses too much on building new homes, and not enough on bringing empty homes back into use

Base: All respondents

	Gender			Age						Social Grade				Employment Sector	
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Public	Pri- vate
Unweighted base	2054	971	1083	223	326	332	344	313	516	615	604	300	535	258	787
Weighted base	2054	1000	1054	238	356	337	366	296	460	553	553	448	501	279	884
NET: Agree	1600	749	851	167	247	269	298	242	377	429	411	361	400	228	667
	78%	75%	81%	70%	69%	80%	82%	82%	82%	78%	74%	81%	80%	82%	75%
Agree strongly	(4) 682	299	384	68	93	117	140	112	151	166	161	157	199	85	293
	33%	30%	36%	29%	26%	35%	38%	38%	33%	30%	29%	35%	40%	30%	33%
Tend to agree	(3) 918	450	468	98	154	151	158	130	226	263	250	204	201	144	374
	45%	45%	44%	41%	43%	45%	43%	44%	49%	48%	45%	46%	40%	51%	42%
Tend to disagree	(2) 191	120	71	25	49	28	30	25	33	52	63	40	37	17	106
	9%	12%	7%	11%	14%	8%	8%	8%	7%	9%	11%	9%	7%	6%	12%
Disagree strongly	(1) 45	28	17	8	9	10	6	6	6	15	9	12	9	6	15
	2%	3%	2%	3%	3%	3%	2%	2%	1%	3%	2%	3%	2%	2%	2%
NET: Disagree	236	148	88	33	58	38	36	31	40	67	72	51	46	23	121
	11%	15%	8%	14%	16%	11%	10%	10%	9%	12%	13%	11%	9%	8%	14%
Don't know	218	103	115	39	51	30	32	23	43	57	70	36	56	28	96
	11%	10%	11%	16%	14%	9%	9%	8%	9%	10%	13%	8%	11%	10%	11%
Mean	3.22	3.14	3.30	3.14	3.09	3.23	3.29	3.28	3.25	3.17	3.16	3.23	3.32	3.22	3.20
Standard deviation	0.72	0.76	0.68	0.78	0.76	0.74	0.70	0.72	0.66	0.73	0.72	0.73	0.71	0.67	0.74
Standard error	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.06	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.03	0.04	0.03

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Table 9

**Q.1 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about empty properties?
The government focuses too much on building new homes, and not enough on bringing empty homes back into use**
Base: All respondents

	Region													Which of the following best describes your current working status?									
	Total	England	Scotland	North East	North West	Yorkshire & Humberside	West Midlands	East Midlands	Wales	Eastern	London	South East	South West	NET: Working	Working full time	Working part time	NET: Not working	Not working seeking work	Not working and not seeking work	Retired on a state pension only	Retired with a private pension	House person	
Unweighted base	2054	1740	201	89	199	200	167	155	113	208	252	262	208	1045	706	339	1009	110	177	132	432	158	
Weighted base	2054	1771	179	86	236	174	185	152	105	199	271	287	181	1163	920	242	891	109	154	134	359	136	
NET: Agree	1600 78%	1388 78%	133 75%	65 75%	189 80%	144 83%	149 81%	124 82%	79 75%	166 84%	199 74%	224 78%	128 71%	895 77%	712 77%	183 76%	705 79%	84 77%	112 73%	118 89%	288 80%	103 76%	
Agree strongly	(4) 33%	682 34%	601 24%	43 31%	26 34%	80 37%	65 36%	67 35%	54 36%	38 34%	67 33%	88 32%	91 34%	62 32%	377 32%	294 32%	84 34%	305 34%	44 40%	42 28%	61 45%	107 30%	52 38%
Tend to agree	(3) 45%	918 44%	787 50%	90 45%	39 46%	108 45%	79 44%	82 47%	71 47%	41 39%	99 50%	111 41%	133 46%	66 36%	518 45%	418 45%	100 41%	400 45%	40 37%	69 45%	58 43%	181 50%	52 38%
Tend to disagree	(2) 9%	191 9%	161 9%	17 10%	9 10%	17 7%	16 9%	13 7%	14 9%	13 13%	17 8%	29 11%	27 10%	20 11%	123 11%	93 10%	29 12%	69 8%	9 8%	13 8%	5 4%	30 8%	12 9%
Disagree strongly	(1) 2%	45 2%	39 2%	4 2%	4 5%	4 2%	2 1%	4 2%	5 3%	2 1%	3 2%	5 2%	8 3%	4 2%	21 2%	16 2%	4 2%	24 3%	4 3%	5 3%	1 1%	8 2%	7 5%
NET: Disagree	236 11%	200 11%	21 12%	13 15%	20 9%	18 10%	17 9%	18 12%	15 14%	20 10%	34 13%	35 12%	24 13%	144 12%	110 12%	34 14%	92 10%	13 12%	17 11%	6 4%	38 11%	18 14%	
Don't know	218 11%	182 10%	25 14%	8 10%	27 11%	13 7%	19 10%	9 6%	11 10%	12 6%	37 14%	28 10%	28 16%	124 11%	98 11%	25 10%	94 11%	12 11%	24 16%	9 7%	34 9%	14 10%	
Mean	3.22	3.23	3.12	3.12	3.27	3.28	3.28	3.22	3.23	3.23	3.21	3.19	3.22	3.21	3.20	3.21	3.24	3.28	3.16	3.43	3.19	3.22	
Standard deviation	0.72	0.73	0.69	0.81	0.68	0.70	0.71	0.74	0.75	0.69	0.74	0.74	0.77	0.72	0.71	0.75	0.73	0.79	0.74	0.61	0.70	0.84	
Standard error	0.02	0.02	0.05	0.09	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.06	0.07	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.02	0.08	0.06	0.06	0.04	0.07	

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Table 10

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NET: Agree	1600 78%	1013 79%	569 76%	16 81%	7 87%	858 79%	505 77%	153 77%	49 74%	1465 78%	90 81%	1283 77%	317 81%	524 79%	437 78%	114 80%	195 82%	62 72%	81 84%	161 76%	
Agree strongly	(4) 33%	682 33%	421 34%	251 34%	5 24%	3 34%	374 34%	214 33%	60 30%	20 30%	627 33%	40 37%	529 32%	154 39%	227 34%	181 32%	46 33%	98 41%	17 20%	44 45%	64 30%
Tend to agree	(3) 45%	918 46%	592 43%	317 43%	11 57%	4 53%	484 45%	291 44%	93 46%	29 43%	838 45%	49 45%	755 45%	163 42%	297 45%	256 46%	67 47%	97 41%	45 52%	37 38%	97 46%
Tend to disagree	(2) 9%	191 9%	123 10%	65 9%	2 9%	- -	86 8%	71 11%	27 13%	4 5%	177 9%	9 8%	159 10%	32 8%	75 11%	48 9%	12 8%	11 5%	10 11%	6 7%	19 9%
Disagree strongly	(1) 2%	45 2%	20 2%	25 3%	- -	- -	26 2%	13 2%	3 2%	2 3%	41 2%	1 1%	37 2%	7 2%	7 1%	15 3%	4 3%	11 5%	1 1%	2 2%	3 1%
NET: Disagree	236 11%	143 11%	89 12%	2 9%	- -	112 10%	84 13%	30 15%	5 8%	218 12%	10 9%	197 12%	39 10%	82 12%	64 11%	16 11%	22 9%	11 12%	8 8%	22 10%	
Don't know	218 11%	126 10%	87 12%	2 10%	1 13%	113 10%	67 10%	17 8%	12 18%	193 10%	10 9%	182 11%	36 9%	57 9%	60 11%	13 9%	20 8%	14 16%	8 8%	30 14%	
Mean	3.22	3.22	3.21	3.17	3.39	3.24	3.20	3.15	3.24	3.22	3.29	3.20	3.30	3.23	3.20	3.20	3.30	3.07	3.38	3.21	
Standard deviation	0.72	0.70	0.77	0.60	0.53	0.72	0.73	0.73	0.72	0.73	0.69	0.73	0.72	0.70	0.74	0.73	0.79	0.65	0.70	0.69	
Standard error	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.17	0.19	0.02	0.03	0.05	0.09	0.02	0.07	0.02	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.07	0.05	0.08	0.07	0.05	

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Table 11

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Central Government should place a higher priority on tackling empty homes

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Weighted base	2054	1000	1054	238	356	337	366	296	460	553	553	448	501	279	884
NET: Agree	1702	828	875	171	249	275	328	263	416	457	440	383	423	230	711
	83%	83%	83%	72%	70%	82%	90%	89%	90%	83%	80%	86%	84%	83%	80%
Agree strongly	(4) 745	337	408	53	91	121	159	135	186	180	168	180	216	92	299
	36%	34%	39%	22%	26%	36%	44%	46%	40%	33%	30%	40%	43%	33%	34%
Tend to agree	(3) 958	491	467	118	158	154	169	128	231	277	272	203	206	138	412
	47%	49%	44%	50%	44%	46%	46%	43%	50%	50%	49%	45%	41%	50%	47%
Tend to disagree	(2) 144	81	63	25	47	29	15	13	16	47	46	29	21	18	81
	7%	8%	6%	10%	13%	9%	4%	4%	3%	9%	8%	7%	4%	6%	9%
Disagree strongly	(1) 26	13	12	5	13	3	-	3	2	6	7	8	5	7	7
	1%	1%	1%	2%	4%	1%	-	1%	*	1%	1%	2%	1%	3%	1%
NET: Disagree	170	94	75	30	59	32	15	16	18	53	53	37	26	25	88
	8%	9%	7%	13%	17%	10%	4%	5%	4%	10%	10%	8%	5%	9%	10%
Don't know	182	78	104	38	48	30	23	17	26	42	60	28	53	24	84
	9%	8%	10%	16%	13%	9%	6%	6%	6%	8%	11%	6%	11%	8%	10%
Mean	3.29	3.25	3.34	3.09	3.06	3.28	3.42	3.42	3.38	3.24	3.22	3.32	3.41	3.23	3.25
Standard deviation	0.67	0.67	0.66	0.70	0.78	0.67	0.58	0.63	0.58	0.66	0.67	0.69	0.64	0.70	0.67
Standard error	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.03	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.03	0.05	0.03

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Absolutes/col percents

Table 12

Q.1 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about empty properties?

Central Government should place a higher priority on tackling empty homes

Base: All respondents

	Region													Which of the following best describes your current working status?									
	Total	England	Scotland	North East	North West	Yorkshire & Humberside	West Midlands	East Midlands	Wales	East-ern	London	South East	South West	NET: Work-ing	Work-ing full time	Work-ing part time	NET: Not working	Not working seeking work	Not working and not seeking work	Retired on a state pension only	Retired with a private pension	House person	
Unweighted base	2054	1740	201	89	199	200	167	155	113	208	252	262	208	1045	706	339	1009	110	177	132	432	158	
Weighted base	2054	1771	179	86	236	174	185	152	105	199	271	287	181	1163	920	242	891	109	154	134	359	136	
NET: Agree	1702	1470	148	67	207	148	148	131	85	167	222	236	143	942	746	195	761	87	121	129	314	110	
	83%	83%	83%	78%	88%	85%	80%	86%	81%	84%	82%	82%	79%	81%	81%	85%	80%	79%	96%	87%	81%		
Agree strongly	(4)	745	650	60	28	95	68	71	58	35	74	99	61	391	307	83	354	45	45	74	128	61	
		36%	37%	34%	33%	40%	39%	39%	38%	33%	37%	37%	33%	34%	33%	34%	40%	42%	29%	55%	36%	45%	
Tend to agree	(3)	958	820	87	39	112	79	77	73	50	93	123	141	551	439	112	407	42	76	55	185	49	
		47%	46%	49%	45%	48%	46%	42%	48%	48%	47%	45%	49%	47%	48%	46%	38%	38%	50%	41%	52%	36%	
Tend to disagree	(2)	144	125	11	6	8	12	18	11	8	13	26	17	99	77	22	45	5	14	2	17	8	
		7%	7%	6%	6%	3%	7%	10%	7%	8%	6%	9%	6%	9%	8%	9%	5%	5%	9%	1%	5%	6%	
Disagree strongly	(1)	26	21	3	4	-	1	4	2	3	1	3	6	14	13	2	11	2	3	-	2	5	
		1%	1%	1%	4%	-	*	2%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	*	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%	-	*	4%	
NET: Disagree		170	145	14	9	8	13	22	13	10	14	28	23	113	90	23	56	7	17	2	18	13	
		8%	8%	8%	11%	3%	7%	12%	8%	10%	7%	10%	8%	9%	10%	10%	6%	6%	11%	1%	5%	9%	
Don't know		182	155	17	10	21	14	14	8	9	18	21	28	108	84	24	74	16	16	3	27	13	
		9%	9%	10%	11%	9%	8%	8%	6%	9%	9%	8%	10%	12%	9%	10%	8%	14%	10%	2%	8%	9%	
Mean		3.29	3.30	3.27	3.20	3.40	3.34	3.27	3.30	3.23	3.32	3.27	3.25	3.28	3.25	3.24	3.27	3.35	3.39	3.18	3.55	3.33	3.35
Standard deviation		0.67	0.66	0.66	0.78	0.56	0.64	0.74	0.66	0.71	0.64	0.68	0.68	0.65	0.68	0.67	0.65	0.68	0.69	0.52	0.59	0.78	
Standard error		0.02	0.02	0.05	0.09	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.06	0.07	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.05	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.02	0.07	0.06	0.05	0.03	0.07

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Absolutes/col percents

Table 13

Q.1 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about empty properties?

Central Government should place a higher priority on tackling empty homes

Base: All respondents

	Tenure			Education Level					Still in full time education	Ethnicity		Local Area		General Election 2015 Vote							
	Total	Owner	Renter	No formal education	Primary	Secondary	University degree	Higher university degree		White	BAME	Urban	Rural	Cons	Lab	Lib Dem	UKIP	SNP	Other party	Did not vote	
Unweighted base	2054	1252	773	15	10	1076	661	195	75	1886	108	1659	395	573	605	140	277	85	101	218	
Weighted base	2054	1283	745	19	8	1084	656	200	67	1875	110	1662	392	663	561	142	237	87	97	213	
NET: Agree	1702	1075	605	14	5	915	545	159	50	1565	87	1367	336	568	471	117	200	72	82	161	
	83%	84%	81%	71%	66%	84%	83%	80%	75%	83%	79%	82%	86%	86%	84%	82%	84%	83%	84%	76%	
Agree strongly	(4)	745	437	297	7	4	429	218	67	12	685	39	585	160	235	218	53	89	27	46	67
		36%	34%	40%	37%	45%	40%	33%	33%	17%	37%	36%	35%	41%	35%	39%	37%	38%	31%	47%	32%
Tend to agree	(3)	958	638	308	7	2	486	327	93	39	880	48	782	176	333	253	64	110	46	36	93
		47%	50%	41%	35%	21%	45%	50%	46%	58%	47%	44%	47%	45%	50%	45%	45%	47%	53%	37%	44%
Tend to disagree	(2)	144	92	52	4	-	56	52	24	5	123	11	124	20	46	36	11	13	3	6	21
		7%	7%	7%	19%	-	5%	8%	12%	7%	7%	10%	7%	5%	7%	6%	8%	6%	4%	7%	10%
Disagree strongly	(1)	26	12	14	-	-	12	7	7	-	23	1	23	2	5	13	4	2	-	-	3
		1%	1%	2%	-	-	1%	1%	4%	-	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	3%	1%	-	-	1%	
NET: Disagree		170	103	66	4	-	68	59	31	5	146	12	147	22	50	49	15	15	3	6	24
		8%	8%	9%	19%	-	6%	9%	16%	7%	8%	11%	9%	6%	8%	9%	10%	6%	4%	7%	11%
Don't know		182	104	74	2	3	100	52	9	12	164	10	148	34	45	41	10	22	11	9	28
		9%	8%	10%	10%	34%	9%	8%	5%	18%	9%	9%	9%	9%	7%	7%	7%	9%	13%	9%	13%
Mean		3.29	3.27	3.32	3.20	3.68	3.36	3.25	3.15	3.13	3.30	3.25	3.27	3.38	3.29	3.30	3.27	3.34	3.31	3.45	3.22
Standard deviation		0.67	0.64	0.71	0.78	0.52	0.65	0.65	0.78	0.53	0.66	0.71	0.68	0.62	0.63	0.71	0.73	0.64	0.55	0.63	0.70
Standard error		0.02	0.02	0.03	0.22	0.20	0.02	0.03	0.06	0.07	0.02	0.07	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.06	0.04	0.06	0.06	0.05

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Absolutes/col percents

Table 14

Q.1 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about empty properties?

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

Base: All respondents

	Gender		Age						Social Grade				Employment Sector		
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Public	Pri- vate
Unweighted base	2054	971	1083	223	326	332	344	313	516	615	604	300	535	258	787
Weighted base	2054	1000	1054	238	356	337	366	296	460	553	553	448	501	279	884
NET: Agree	1571	768	802	161	233	260	303	235	379	418	409	363	382	215	660
	76%	77%	76%	68%	65%	77%	83%	79%	82%	76%	74%	81%	76%	77%	75%
Agree strongly	(4) 678	324	354	51	82	112	159	112	162	155	152	171	200	86	282
	33%	32%	34%	21%	23%	33%	43%	38%	35%	28%	27%	38%	40%	31%	32%
Tend to agree	(3) 893	444	448	111	151	147	144	123	217	262	257	191	182	128	378
	43%	44%	43%	46%	42%	44%	39%	41%	47%	47%	47%	43%	36%	46%	43%
Tend to disagree	(2) 209	111	98	34	55	34	29	22	35	60	66	39	44	22	113
	10%	11%	9%	14%	16%	10%	8%	7%	8%	11%	12%	9%	9%	8%	13%
Disagree strongly	(1) 33	18	15	4	14	7	4	1	4	8	8	9	8	8	13
	2%	2%	1%	2%	4%	2%	1%	*	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%	3%	1%
NET: Disagree	241	129	112	38	69	41	33	22	39	68	74	48	52	30	126
	12%	13%	11%	16%	19%	12%	9%	8%	8%	12%	13%	11%	10%	11%	14%
Don't know	242	103	139	39	54	37	31	38	43	67	70	38	68	34	98
	12%	10%	13%	16%	15%	11%	8%	13%	9%	12%	13%	8%	14%	12%	11%
Mean	3.22	3.20	3.25	3.04	3.00	3.22	3.36	3.35	3.29	3.16	3.14	3.28	3.32	3.20	3.18
Standard deviation	0.72	0.73	0.70	0.71	0.80	0.73	0.69	0.64	0.65	0.70	0.71	0.72	0.73	0.73	0.73
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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Absolutes/col percents

Table 15

Q.1 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about empty properties?

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

Base: All respondents

	Region													Which of the following best describes your current working status?								
	Total	England	Scotland	North East	North West	Yorkshire & Humberside	West Midlands	East Midlands	Wales	Eastern	London	South East	South West	NET: Working	Working full time	Working part time	NET: Not working	Not working seeking work	Not working and not seeking work	Retired on a state pension only	Retired with a private pension	House person
Unweighted base	2054	1740	201	89	199	200	167	155	113	208	252	262	208	1045	706	339	1009	110	177	132	432	158
Weighted base	2054	1771	179	86	236	174	185	152	105	199	271	287	181	1163	920	242	891	109	154	134	359	136
NET: Agree	1571	1365	131	66	196	142	149	113	75	158	202	205	134	875	698	177	696	76	112	115	286	106
	76%	77%	73%	76%	83%	81%	81%	74%	71%	80%	75%	71%	74%	75%	76%	73%	78%	69%	73%	86%	80%	78%
Agree strongly	(4)	678	597	52	28	88	69	73	48	29	70	80	85	369	290	79	309	42	44	63	106	54
		33%	34%	29%	32%	37%	40%	40%	32%	28%	35%	30%	31%	32%	31%	33%	35%	38%	29%	47%	29%	40%
Tend to agree	(3)	893	768	79	38	109	73	76	65	45	89	122	120	506	408	98	386	34	68	52	181	52
		43%	43%	44%	44%	46%	42%	41%	43%	43%	45%	45%	42%	44%	44%	40%	43%	31%	44%	39%	50%	38%
Tend to disagree	(2)	209	175	22	10	13	13	12	21	12	20	32	38	135	99	35	74	8	15	7	30	14
		10%	10%	12%	12%	6%	7%	7%	14%	11%	10%	12%	13%	12%	11%	15%	8%	8%	10%	5%	8%	10%
Disagree strongly	(1)	33	28	2	4	-	1	4	2	2	4	1	9	3	17	3	12	4	*	-	4	4
		2%	2%	1%	4%	-	*	2%	2%	2%	*	3%	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%	3%	*	-	1%	3%
NET: Disagree		241	203	24	14	13	16	23	14	24	33	47	19	155	117	39	86	12	16	7	34	18
		12%	11%	14%	16%	6%	9%	15%	14%	12%	12%	16%	10%	13%	13%	16%	10%	11%	10%	5%	9%	13%
Don't know		242	203	23	7	26	19	20	16	16	36	36	27	132	106	27	110	21	25	12	39	12
		12%	11%	13%	8%	11%	11%	10%	15%	8%	13%	12%	15%	11%	11%	11%	12%	19%	17%	9%	11%	9%
Mean		3.22	3.23	3.16	3.13	3.36	3.35	3.32	3.16	3.14	3.23	3.19	3.11	3.23	3.19	3.17	3.27	3.30	3.22	3.46	3.21	3.26
Standard deviation		0.72	0.71	0.72	0.81	0.60	0.65	0.71	0.74	0.74	0.73	0.68	0.79	0.71	0.73	0.75	0.69	0.81	0.66	0.60	0.66	0.79
Standard error		0.02	0.02	0.05	0.09	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.06	0.07	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.02	0.09	0.05	0.03	0.07

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Absolutes/col percents

Table 16

Q.1 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about empty properties?

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

Base: All respondents

	Tenure			Education Level					Still in full time education	Ethnicity		Local Area		General Election 2015 Vote						
	Total	Owner	Renter	No formal education	Primary	Secondary	University degree	Higher university degree		White	BAME	Urban	Rural	Cons	Lab	Lib Dem	UKIP	SNP	Other party	Did not vote
Unweighted base	2054	1252	773	15	10	1076	661	195	75	1886	108	1659	395	573	605	140	277	85	101	218
Weighted base	2054	1283	745	19	8	1084	656	200	67	1875	110	1662	392	663	561	142	237	87	97	213
NET: Agree	1571	982	567	16	5	833	504	150	48	1438	86	1278	293	526	425	114	187	60	82	149
	76%	77%	76%	85%	66%	77%	77%	75%	72%	77%	78%	77%	75%	79%	76%	80%	79%	69%	85%	70%
Agree strongly	(4) 678	387	281	5	3	399	195	54	13	621	36	542	136	216	190	45	89	23	39	66
	33%	30%	38%	26%	34%	37%	30%	27%	19%	33%	33%	33%	35%	33%	34%	32%	38%	27%	41%	31%
Tend to agree	(3) 893	594	286	11	3	434	309	97	35	817	50	736	157	310	235	69	98	37	43	82
	43%	46%	38%	59%	32%	40%	47%	48%	52%	44%	45%	44%	40%	47%	42%	49%	41%	43%	44%	39%
Tend to disagree	(2) 209	144	63	1	-	102	70	26	8	188	14	165	43	64	59	13	26	11	5	25
	10%	11%	8%	5%	-	9%	11%	13%	12%	10%	13%	10%	11%	10%	10%	9%	11%	12%	5%	12%
Disagree strongly	(1) 33	20	13	-	-	21	5	7	-	31	*	29	4	9	16	1	4	*	-	2
	2%	2%	2%	-	-	2%	1%	3%	-	2%	*	2%	1%	1%	3%	1%	2%	*	-	1%
NET: Disagree	241	164	76	1	-	123	76	33	8	219	15	194	47	74	74	14	30	11	5	27
	12%	13%	10%	5%	-	11%	12%	16%	12%	12%	13%	12%	12%	11%	13%	10%	13%	13%	5%	13%
Don't know	242	137	102	2	3	128	76	17	11	218	9	190	52	64	62	14	20	16	10	37
	12%	11%	14%	10%	34%	12%	12%	8%	17%	12%	8%	11%	13%	10%	11%	10%	8%	18%	10%	17%
Mean	3.22	3.18	3.30	3.23	3.51	3.27	3.20	3.08	3.09	3.22	3.21	3.22	3.25	3.22	3.20	3.24	3.26	3.17	3.40	3.21
Standard deviation	0.72	0.71	0.73	0.56	0.55	0.74	0.67	0.76	0.61	0.72	0.69	0.72	0.72	0.69	0.76	0.65	0.73	0.69	0.59	0.73
Standard error	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.16	0.21	0.02	0.03	0.06	0.08	0.02	0.07	0.02	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.06	0.05	0.08	0.06	0.05

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Absolutes/col percents

Table 17

Q.1 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about empty properties?

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

Base: All respondents

	Gender			Age						Social Grade				Employment Sector	
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Public	Pri- vate
Unweighted base	2054	971	1083	223	326	332	344	313	516	615	604	300	535	258	787
Weighted base	2054	1000	1054	238	356	337	366	296	460	553	553	448	501	279	884
NET: Agree	1003	533	470	105	152	163	177	155	252	253	281	221	247	138	422
	49%	53%	45%	44%	43%	48%	48%	52%	55%	46%	51%	49%	49%	49%	48%
Agree strongly	(4) 241	136	104	19	36	40	42	40	64	57	57	53	72	27	92
	12%	14%	10%	8%	10%	12%	12%	14%	14%	10%	10%	12%	14%	10%	10%
Tend to agree	(3) 762	396	366	86	116	123	134	114	189	196	224	168	175	110	330
	37%	40%	35%	36%	33%	36%	37%	39%	41%	35%	40%	37%	35%	40%	37%
Tend to disagree	(2) 593	273	320	64	104	109	105	80	130	182	143	139	130	72	272
	29%	27%	30%	27%	29%	32%	29%	27%	28%	33%	26%	31%	26%	26%	31%
Disagree strongly	(1) 169	84	85	26	25	26	31	28	33	44	46	30	49	28	66
	8%	8%	8%	11%	7%	8%	9%	9%	7%	8%	8%	7%	10%	10%	7%
NET: Disagree	762	357	405	91	129	135	137	108	163	225	189	169	179	100	338
	37%	36%	38%	38%	36%	40%	37%	37%	35%	41%	34%	38%	36%	36%	38%
Don't know	290	111	179	43	75	40	53	33	46	74	83	58	75	41	124
	14%	11%	17%	18%	21%	12%	14%	11%	10%	13%	15%	13%	15%	15%	14%
Mean	2.61	2.66	2.56	2.50	2.58	2.59	2.60	2.64	2.68	2.56	2.62	2.63	2.63	2.57	2.59
Standard deviation	0.84	0.85	0.82	0.85	0.82	0.83	0.84	0.87	0.83	0.82	0.82	0.81	0.90	0.85	0.81
Standard error	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.06	0.03

Empty Residential Properties Poll

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Absolutes/col percents

Table 18

Q.1 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about empty properties?

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

Base: All respondents

	Region													Which of the following best describes your current working status?									
	Total	England	Scotland	North East	North West	Yorkshire & Humberside	West Midlands	East Midlands	Wales	Eastern	London	South East	South West	NET: Working	Working full time	Working part time	NET: Not working	Not working seeking work	Not working and not seeking work	Retired on a state pension only	Retired with a private pension	House person	
Unweighted base	2054	1740	201	89	199	200	167	155	113	208	252	262	208	1045	706	339	1009	110	177	132	432	158	
Weighted base	2054	1771	179	86	236	174	185	152	105	199	271	287	181	1163	920	242	891	109	154	134	359	136	
NET: Agree	1003 49%	871 49%	85 48%	39 46%	124 52%	90 51%	86 47%	72 47%	47 45%	100 50%	128 47%	142 49%	91 50%	560 48%	449 49%	111 46%	443 50%	39 36%	68 44%	71 53%	201 56%	64 47%	
Agree strongly	(4) 12%	241 12%	209 12%	16 9%	8 10%	27 11%	20 11%	23 12%	12 8%	15 15%	21 11%	37 14%	41 14%	21 12%	120 10%	99 11%	21 9%	121 14%	17 16%	12 8%	24 18%	49 14%	19 14%
Tend to agree	(3) 37%	762 37%	661 37%	69 39%	31 36%	97 41%	70 40%	64 34%	60 39%	31 30%	79 40%	91 34%	101 35%	69 38%	350 38%	322 37%	22 36%	20 20%	56 37%	47 35%	152 42%	45 33%	
Tend to disagree	(2) 29%	593 29%	510 29%	50 28%	28 33%	75 32%	49 28%	51 27%	51 34%	33 32%	43 21%	77 28%	89 31%	48 26%	344 30%	271 29%	73 30%	249 28%	34 32%	42 28%	39 29%	94 26%	38 28%
Disagree strongly	(1) 8%	169 8%	143 8%	16 9%	10 12%	14 6%	10 6%	17 9%	13 8%	10 10%	27 13%	24 9%	15 5%	13 7%	94 8%	79 9%	15 6%	75 8%	16 15%	14 9%	8 6%	27 8%	9 7%
NET: Disagree	762 37%	653 37%	66 37%	38 44%	89 38%	59 34%	68 37%	64 42%	44 42%	70 35%	101 37%	103 36%	60 33%	438 38%	350 38%	88 36%	324 36%	51 46%	56 37%	48 36%	122 34%	47 35%	
Don't know	290 14%	247 14%	28 16%	8 10%	23 10%	26 15%	30 16%	16 11%	14 14%	30 15%	41 15%	42 15%	30 16%	165 14%	121 13%	44 18%	125 14%	20 18%	29 19%	15 11%	37 10%	25 18%	
Mean	2.61	2.62	2.56	2.48	2.64	2.67	2.59	2.52	2.57	2.55	2.62	2.68	2.66	2.59	2.59	2.59	2.64	2.44	2.53	2.73	2.69	2.66	
Standard deviation	0.84	0.84	0.82	0.86	0.79	0.79	0.87	0.79	0.91	0.90	0.88	0.82	0.82	0.82	0.83	0.78	0.86	1.00	0.82	0.87	0.83	0.86	
Standard error	0.02	0.02	0.06	0.10	0.06	0.06	0.07	0.07	0.09	0.07	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.03	0.03	0.05	0.03	0.10	0.07	0.08	0.04	0.07	

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Table 19

Q.1 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about empty properties?

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

Base: All respondents

	Tenure			Education Level					Still in full time education	Ethnicity		Local Area		General Election 2015 Vote						
	Total	Owner	Renter	No formal education	Primary	Secondary	University degree	Higher university degree		White	BAME	Urban	Rural	Cons	Lab	Lib Dem	UKIP	SNP	Other party	Did not vote
Unweighted base	2054	1252	773	15	10	1076	661	195	75	1886	108	1659	395	573	605	140	277	85	101	218
Weighted base	2054	1283	745	19	8	1084	656	200	67	1875	110	1662	392	663	561	142	237	87	97	213
NET: Agree	1003 49%	665 52%	328 44%	9 49%	1 15%	541 50%	300 46%	107 53%	32 48%	923 49%	49 45%	793 48%	210 54%	381 57%	245 44%	62 44%	132 56%	35 40%	36 38%	91 43%
Agree strongly	(4) 12%	167 13%	72 10%	4 20%	* 5%	130 12%	61 9%	38 19%	4 6%	220 12%	14 12%	193 12%	48 12%	96 15%	64 11%	12 9%	37 16%	4 4%	9 10%	14 7%
Tend to agree	(3) 37%	498 39%	256 34%	6 29%	1 10%	411 38%	239 36%	69 34%	28 42%	704 38%	36 33%	600 36%	162 41%	284 43%	181 32%	50 35%	95 40%	31 36%	27 28%	76 36%
Tend to disagree	(2) 29%	372 29%	213 29%	5 24%	2 24%	291 27%	213 32%	64 32%	16 24%	539 29%	35 32%	486 29%	107 27%	179 27%	176 31%	56 39%	53 22%	32 37%	29 30%	56 26%
Disagree strongly	(1) 8%	82 6%	81 11%	2 10%	3 33%	83 8%	62 9%	12 6%	5 7%	153 8%	10 9%	138 8%	31 8%	38 6%	62 11%	8 6%	23 10%	4 5%	19 20%	14 7%
NET: Disagree	762 37%	454 35%	294 39%	6 33%	5 57%	375 35%	275 42%	76 38%	21 31%	692 37%	45 41%	624 38%	137 35%	217 33%	238 42%	64 45%	76 32%	36 42%	48 50%	70 33%
Don't know	290 14%	164 13%	123 16%	3 18%	2 28%	168 16%	81 12%	17 9%	14 21%	260 14%	16 14%	245 15%	45 11%	66 10%	79 14%	16 11%	28 12%	16 18%	12 12%	52 24%
Mean	2.61	2.67	2.51	2.73	1.83	2.64	2.52	2.73	2.59	2.61	2.56	2.60	2.65	2.73	2.51	2.53	2.70	2.48	2.31	2.56
Standard deviation	0.84	0.82	0.86	1.00	1.02	0.83	0.82	0.86	0.76	0.84	0.87	0.84	0.83	0.80	0.88	0.76	0.89	0.70	0.95	0.78
Standard error	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.30	0.36	0.03	0.03	0.07	0.10	0.02	0.09	0.02	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.07	0.06	0.08	0.10	0.06

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Table 20

Q.1 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about empty properties?

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

Base: All respondents

	Gender			Age						Social Grade				Employment Sector	
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Public	Pri- vate
Unweighted base	2054	971	1083	223	326	332	344	313	516	615	604	300	535	258	787
Weighted base	2054	1000	1054	238	356	337	366	296	460	553	553	448	501	279	884
NET: Agree	886	473	413	94	142	145	146	138	220	278	228	186	193	107	394
	43%	47%	39%	39%	40%	43%	40%	47%	48%	50%	41%	42%	39%	38%	45%
Agree strongly	(4) 199	114	85	22	29	42	34	37	35	56	52	45	46	22	91
	10%	11%	8%	9%	8%	12%	9%	12%	8%	10%	9%	10%	9%	8%	10%
Tend to agree	(3) 687	359	328	71	113	104	112	102	185	222	176	142	148	85	302
	33%	36%	31%	30%	32%	31%	31%	34%	40%	40%	32%	32%	29%	30%	34%
Tend to disagree	(2) 669	305	364	64	115	99	133	99	158	161	204	151	153	97	271
	33%	31%	35%	27%	32%	29%	36%	34%	34%	29%	37%	34%	31%	35%	31%
Disagree strongly	(1) 254	110	144	37	46	59	38	30	43	59	51	58	86	34	116
	12%	11%	14%	16%	13%	18%	10%	10%	9%	11%	9%	13%	17%	12%	13%
NET: Disagree	923	415	507	102	162	158	172	129	201	219	256	209	239	131	386
	45%	42%	48%	43%	45%	47%	47%	44%	44%	40%	46%	47%	48%	47%	44%
Don't know	245	111	134	43	52	34	48	29	40	55	69	52	69	41	104
	12%	11%	13%	18%	15%	10%	13%	10%	9%	10%	13%	12%	14%	15%	12%
Mean	2.46	2.54	2.38	2.40	2.41	2.42	2.45	2.54	2.51	2.55	2.47	2.44	2.36	2.40	2.47
Standard deviation	0.87	0.87	0.86	0.93	0.86	0.95	0.84	0.86	0.79	0.84	0.82	0.88	0.92	0.85	0.88
Standard error	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.07	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.06	0.03

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Absolutes/col percents

Table 21

Q.1 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about empty properties?

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

Base: All respondents

	Region													Which of the following best describes your current working status?								
	Total	England	Scotland	North East	North West	Yorkshire & Humberside	West Midlands	East Midlands	Wales	Eastern	London	South East	South West	NET: Working	Working full time	Working part time	NET: Not working	Not working seeking work	Not working and not seeking work	Retired on a state pension only	Retired with a private pension	House person
Unweighted base	2054	1740	201	89	199	200	167	155	113	208	252	262	208	1045	706	339	1009	110	177	132	432	158
Weighted base	2054	1771	179	86	236	174	185	152	105	199	271	287	181	1163	920	242	891	109	154	134	359	136
NET: Agree	886 43%	783 44%	64 36%	33 38%	89 38%	66 38%	82 44%	49 32%	39 37%	90 45%	142 53%	151 52%	81 45%	500 43%	401 44%	99 41%	385 43%	44 40%	63 41%	47 35%	178 50%	53 39%
Agree strongly	(4) 10%	177 10%	17 10%	8 10%	23 10%	17 10%	18 10%	11 7%	4 4%	21 11%	27 10%	31 11%	20 11%	114 10%	90 10%	23 10%	85 10%	13 12%	13 9%	7 5%	30 8%	22 16%
Tend to agree	(3) 33%	606 34%	47 26%	24 28%	66 28%	49 28%	63 34%	37 25%	34 33%	69 35%	116 43%	119 42%	61 34%	387 33%	311 34%	76 31%	300 34%	31 28%	50 32%	40 30%	148 41%	32 23%
Tend to disagree	(2) 33%	560 32%	73 41%	29 34%	87 37%	66 38%	53 29%	59 39%	36 34%	55 28%	67 25%	92 32%	50 28%	368 32%	283 31%	84 35%	301 34%	31 29%	47 30%	53 39%	122 34%	48 36%
Disagree strongly	(1) 12%	214 12%	23 13%	13 15%	36 15%	20 12%	20 11%	23 15%	17 16%	24 12%	32 12%	21 7%	24 13%	150 13%	124 13%	26 11%	104 12%	17 16%	20 13%	15 11%	33 9%	18 13%
NET: Disagree	923 45%	774 44%	97 54%	43 50%	124 52%	87 50%	73 40%	82 54%	52 50%	79 40%	99 37%	113 39%	74 41%	518 45%	407 44%	111 46%	405 45%	49 45%	67 44%	68 51%	155 43%	67 49%
Don't know	245 12%	214 12%	18 10%	11 13%	23 10%	21 12%	30 16%	21 14%	14 13%	29 15%	29 11%	24 8%	26 14%	144 12%	112 12%	33 13%	101 11%	16 15%	24 15%	19 14%	26 7%	16 12%
Mean	2.46	2.48	2.36	2.37	2.36	2.41	2.52	2.28	2.29	2.51	2.57	2.61	2.50	2.46	2.46	2.46	2.46	2.43	2.43	2.34	2.53	2.48
Standard deviation	0.87	0.87	0.86	0.90	0.89	0.86	0.87	0.85	0.82	0.89	0.86	0.80	0.91	0.88	0.88	0.85	0.85	0.95	0.88	0.79	0.79	0.96
Standard error	0.02	0.02	0.06	0.10	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.08	0.07	0.06	0.05	0.07	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.03	0.10	0.07	0.07	0.04	0.08

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Table 22

Q.1 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about empty properties?

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

Base: All respondents

	Tenure			Education Level					Still in full time education	Ethnicity		Local Area		General Election 2015 Vote						
	Total	Owner	Renter	No formal education	Primary	Secondary	University degree	Higher university degree		White	BAME	Urban	Rural	Cons	Lab	Lib Dem	UKIP	SNP	Other party	Did not vote
Unweighted base	2054	1252	773	15	10	1076	661	195	75	1886	108	1659	395	573	605	140	277	85	101	218
Weighted base	2054	1283	745	19	8	1084	656	200	67	1875	110	1662	392	663	561	142	237	87	97	213
NET: Agree	886 43%	585 46%	288 39%	9 48%	2 24%	456 42%	281 43%	110 55%	19 29%	801 43%	54 49%	714 43%	172 44%	313 47%	237 42%	63 44%	110 47%	26 30%	32 34%	84 40%
Agree strongly	(4) 199 10%	122 9%	75 10%	1 7%	* 5%	113 10%	59 9%	22 11%	1 2%	181 10%	14 13%	162 10%	37 9%	56 8%	68 12%	10 7%	33 14%	5 5%	9 9%	14 6%
Tend to agree	(3) 687 33%	464 36%	214 29%	8 41%	2 19%	343 32%	222 34%	88 44%	18 27%	621 33%	39 36%	552 33%	135 35%	258 39%	169 30%	53 37%	77 33%	22 25%	23 24%	71 33%
Tend to disagree	(2) 669 33%	426 33%	236 32%	3 18%	3 38%	361 33%	216 33%	58 29%	24 37%	628 33%	30 27%	541 33%	128 33%	218 33%	192 34%	47 33%	56 24%	41 48%	35 37%	64 30%
Disagree strongly	(1) 254 12%	130 10%	122 16%	5 24%	- -	126 12%	87 13%	18 9%	13 20%	230 12%	16 14%	203 12%	51 13%	72 11%	73 13%	15 10%	33 14%	13 15%	19 19%	27 13%
NET: Disagree	923 45%	556 43%	358 48%	8 42%	3 38%	487 45%	303 46%	76 38%	38 57%	857 46%	45 41%	745 45%	178 45%	290 44%	265 47%	62 43%	89 38%	54 62%	54 56%	91 43%
Don't know	245 12%	141 11%	99 13%	2 10%	3 38%	141 13%	72 11%	14 7%	10 14%	217 12%	11 10%	204 12%	41 11%	60 9%	59 11%	18 12%	37 16%	6 7%	10 11%	37 18%
Mean	2.46	2.51	2.37	2.34	2.48	2.47	2.43	2.61	2.13	2.45	2.53	2.46	2.45	2.49	2.46	2.46	2.55	2.23	2.27	2.41
Standard deviation	0.87	0.83	0.92	0.99	0.72	0.87	0.86	0.82	0.80	0.86	0.93	0.87	0.87	0.82	0.90	0.80	0.96	0.78	0.92	0.84
Standard error	0.02	0.02	0.04	0.28	0.27	0.03	0.04	0.06	0.10	0.02	0.10	0.02	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.07	0.06	0.09	0.10	0.06

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Table 23

Q.2 Below are a number of policies that the 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 government?

Base: All respondents

	Gender		Age						Social Grade				Employment Sector		
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Public	Private
Unweighted base	2054	971	1083	223	326	332	344	313	516	615	604	300	535	258	787
Weighted base	2054	1000	1054	238	356	337	366	296	460	553	553	448	501	279	884
Funding local authorities or charities to buy and repair long-term empty homes to rent or sell to people in housing need	1107 54%	528 53%	579 55%	116 49%	152 43%	176 52%	225 61%	174 59%	264 57%	283 51%	295 53%	243 54%	286 57%	169 61%	434 49%
Making it easier for local authorities to purchase long-term empty homes where the owners refuse to bring the home into use	975 47%	446 45%	529 50%	68 29%	128 36%	154 46%	184 50%	168 57%	273 59%	265 48%	254 46%	196 44%	260 52%	116 42%	375 42%
Providing financial assistance to first-time buyers to enable them to buy and restore long-term empty homes to move into	975 47%	456 46%	519 49%	119 50%	178 50%	163 48%	144 39%	135 46%	236 51%	275 50%	285 52%	201 45%	213 43%	134 48%	426 48%
Higher council tax for property owners who keep their homes empty for a year or more	833 41%	430 43%	403 38%	61 25%	117 33%	120 35%	144 39%	158 53%	233 51%	253 46%	219 40%	173 39%	188 38%	113 40%	311 35%
Making it harder for people to buy properties which they then leave unoccupied	632 31%	339 34%	294 28%	61 25%	107 30%	99 29%	113 31%	93 32%	159 35%	183 33%	176 32%	136 30%	136 27%	67 24%	283 32%
None of the above	159 8%	77 8%	82 8%	34 14%	46 13%	28 8%	26 7%	11 4%	14 3%	21 4%	50 9%	36 8%	52 10%	22 8%	79 9%

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Table 24

Q.2 Below are a number of policies that the 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 government?

Base: All respondents

	Region												Which of the following best describes your current working status?									
	Total	England	Scotland	North East	North West	Yorkshire & Humberside	West Midlands	East Midlands	Wales	Eastern	London	South East	South West	NET: Working	Working full time	Working part time	NET: Not working	Not working seeking work	Not working and not seeking work	Retired on a state pension only	Retired with a private pension	House person
Unweighted base	2054	1740	201	89	199	200	167	155	113	208	252	262	208	1045	706	339	1009	110	177	132	432	158
Weighted base	2054	1771	179	86	236	174	185	152	105	199	271	287	181	1163	920	242	891	109	154	134	359	136
Funding local authorities or charities to buy and repair long-term empty homes to rent or sell to people in housing need	1107 54%	947 53%	98 55%	54 63%	140 59%	106 61%	108 59%	85 56%	62 59%	98 49%	128 47%	122 43%	106 59%	603 52%	482 52%	122 50%	504 57%	63 58%	91 59%	82 62%	199 55%	68 50%
Making it easier for local authorities to purchase long-term empty homes where the owners refuse to bring the home into use	975 47%	836 47%	92 51%	36 42%	111 47%	99 57%	76 41%	81 53%	47 45%	112 56%	121 45%	107 37%	93 52%	491 42%	383 42%	108 45%	484 54%	53 49%	67 44%	83 62%	208 58%	72 53%
Providing financial assistance to first-time buyers to enable them to buy and restore long-term empty homes to move into	975 47%	841 48%	89 50%	43 50%	121 51%	69 40%	80 43%	74 49%	44 42%	88 44%	142 52%	154 54%	70 39%	560 48%	456 50%	104 43%	415 47%	49 44%	68 45%	64 48%	177 49%	56 42%
Higher council tax for property owners who keep their homes empty for a year or more	833 41%	720 41%	72 40%	27 32%	87 37%	74 42%	70 38%	73 48%	42 40%	86 43%	106 39%	123 43%	73 41%	424 36%	330 36%	94 39%	410 46%	34 31%	60 39%	66 49%	189 53%	60 44%
Making it harder for people to buy properties which they then leave unoccupied	632 31%	546 31%	53 30%	18 20%	68 29%	54 31%	56 31%	37 24%	33 32%	60 30%	99 37%	96 33%	59 33%	350 30%	274 30%	76 31%	282 32%	23 21%	56 37%	44 33%	129 36%	30 22%
None of the above	159 8%	138 8%	12 6%	6 6%	9 4%	11 6%	21 11%	10 7%	10 9%	18 9%	21 8%	26 9%	16 9%	100 9%	76 8%	24 10%	59 7%	17 16%	16 10%	6 4%	9 2%	11 8%

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Table 25

Q.2 Below are a number of policies that the 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 government?

Base: All respondents

	Tenure			Education Level						Ethnicity		Local Area		General Election 2015 Vote						
	Total	Owner	Renter	No formal education	Primary	Secondary	University degree	Higher university degree	Still in full time education	White	BAME	Urban	Rural	Cons	Lab	Lib Dem	UKIP	SNP	Other party	Did not vote
Unweighted base	2054	1252	773	15	10	1076	661	195	75	1886	108	1659	395	573	605	140	277	85	101	218
Weighted base	2054	1283	745	19	8	1084	656	200	67	1875	110	1662	392	663	561	142	237	87	97	213
Funding local authorities or charities to buy and repair long-term empty homes to rent or sell to people in housing need	1107 54%	681 53%	409 55%	10 50%	4 45%	579 53%	371 57%	101 50%	31 46%	1026 55%	49 45%	904 54%	203 52%	343 52%	314 56%	80 56%	120 51%	45 52%	60 62%	123 58%
Making it easier for local authorities to purchase long-term empty homes where the owners refuse to bring the home into use	975 47%	596 46%	368 49%	8 41%	4 53%	536 50%	310 47%	91 45%	18 26%	903 48%	46 42%	789 47%	186 47%	326 49%	263 47%	70 49%	112 47%	46 53%	50 52%	90 42%
Providing financial assistance to first-time buyers to enable them to buy and restore long-term empty homes to move into	975 47%	629 49%	334 45%	8 44%	5 58%	483 45%	333 51%	108 54%	31 46%	879 47%	59 54%	792 48%	182 47%	337 51%	252 45%	73 51%	106 45%	40 46%	46 47%	103 48%
Higher council tax for property owners who keep their homes empty for a year or more	833 41%	566 44%	260 35%	4 19%	3 35%	452 42%	273 42%	71 35%	24 36%	787 42%	27 25%	642 39%	191 49%	300 45%	218 39%	67 47%	95 40%	38 44%	45 47%	56 26%
Making it harder for people to buy properties which they then leave unoccupied	632 31%	407 32%	213 29%	3 13%	2 21%	314 29%	221 34%	66 33%	22 33%	583 31%	30 27%	505 30%	128 33%	201 30%	170 30%	55 39%	75 32%	25 29%	38 40%	57 27%
None of the above	159 8%	83 6%	75 10%	6 33%	- -	91 8%	41 6%	9 5%	9 14%	138 7%	13 12%	130 8%	30 8%	40 6%	45 8%	8 6%	11 5%	7 8%	5 6%	27 13%