

YouGov-Cambridge Survey Results

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Sample Size: 1738

Fieldwork: 15th - 16th February 2012

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Thinking about the European Union as a whole, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

I understand how the EU works

Strongly agree	7	9	8	9	4	8	8	7	12	3	11	7	7	7	9	6	5	7	8	8	8
Tend to agree	36	41	35	46	45	38	35	40	41	31	26	34	40	37	41	29	36	36	31	37	38
TOTAL AGREE	43	50	43	55	49	46	43	47	53	34	37	41	47	44	50	35	41	43	39	45	46
Tend to disagree	33	33	38	30	31	33	34	37	29	37	33	34	33	34	32	35	26	38	35	30	32
Strongly disagree	13	11	12	10	18	14	12	11	12	14	17	11	12	15	12	15	17	9	14	15	14
TOTAL DISAGREE	46	44	50	40	49	47	46	48	41	51	50	45	45	49	44	50	43	47	49	45	46
Don't know	10	7	7	6	2	8	10	6	6	14	14	15	9	7	6	16	16	9	12	9	7

My voice counts in the EU

Strongly agree	2	2	2	4	9	2	3	2	3	2	3	2	2	2	3	2	3	2	1	3	5
Tend to agree	10	8	15	16	19	6	15	11	12	8	19	9	10	7	12	8	12	11	7	10	12
TOTAL AGREE	12	10	17	20	28	8	18	13	15	10	22	11	12	9	15	10	15	13	8	13	17
Tend to disagree	35	36	41	38	34	33	40	38	34	35	27	38	37	33	37	32	28	39	34	33	36
Strongly disagree	40	49	31	31	32	52	31	38	44	37	32	33	40	51	41	40	41	37	43	43	37
TOTAL DISAGREE	75	85	72	69	66	85	71	76	78	72	59	71	77	84	78	72	69	76	77	76	73
Don't know	13	6	11	11	7	7	11	12	7	18	19	18	11	7	8	19	16	12	14	12	10

Any further EU integration should be decided by a national referendum in Britain

Strongly agree	47	63	39	31	49	69	38	37	53	42	32	34	48	65	46	49	38	49	51	47	46
Tend to agree	26	24	30	41	32	19	29	35	24	29	33	31	27	19	28	24	28	26	24	28	26
TOTAL AGREE	73	87	69	72	81	88	67	72	77	71	65	65	75	84	74	73	66	75	75	75	72
Tend to disagree	9	5	15	13	8	4	15	11	10	8	9	11	9	8	11	7	11	8	9	9	11
Strongly disagree	3	2	5	6	7	2	4	5	4	3	3	4	4	2	4	2	4	3	3	2	6
TOTAL DISAGREE	12	7	20	19	15	6	19	16	14	11	12	15	13	10	15	9	15	11	12	11	17
Don't know	14	6	12	8	3	7	14	11	8	19	23	21	12	5	10	18	18	13	13	14	12

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Below is a list of specific policy-areas. For each one, please say whether you think countries in Europe should cooperate more closely together, or should loosen their links and handle the issue more at the national level, or if the present balance is abo

Immigration

EU countries should co-operate more closely on this issue	45	40	52	54	45	40	51	51	45	45	33	44	46	50	46	44	49	45	45	44	45
EU countries should loosen their links on this issue	34	48	28	21	33	49	27	29	37	32	25	26	38	41	35	33	25	36	34	37	32
The current balance is about right	6	6	8	12	11	5	7	7	8	5	13	7	4	4	8	4	9	7	5	3	9
Don't know	14	6	12	12	11	6	14	14	10	19	28	22	12	5	11	19	17	11	16	15	14

Reducing poverty

EU countries should co-operate more closely on this issue	51	44	62	65	56	42	59	63	53	50	48	49	51	56	53	49	49	53	50	50	58
EU countries should loosen their links on this issue	21	30	16	13	23	33	16	15	22	20	14	17	23	26	21	21	21	21	22	21	19
The current balance is about right	11	17	10	12	6	15	10	10	14	9	12	11	12	11	13	9	12	12	11	12	7
Don't know	16	9	12	11	15	11	14	13	11	21	26	24	14	7	13	20	18	14	17	17	16

Tackling climate change

EU countries should co-operate more closely on this issue	52	44	61	69	68	41	59	64	50	53	52	53	52	50	56	46	51	52	50	52	57
EU countries should loosen their links on this issue	20	31	13	5	11	34	13	9	25	15	13	14	20	28	20	20	17	18	23	22	17
The current balance is about right	12	15	13	17	9	13	14	13	13	11	8	10	13	14	11	14	13	15	11	8	12
Don't know	16	10	13	9	11	12	14	14	11	21	26	22	15	8	13	21	20	15	16	17	14

Trade links with other countries

EU countries should co-operate more closely on this issue	41	40	50	48	43	36	52	43	46	37	38	42	43	40	45	37	41	42	43	41	39
EU countries should loosen their links on this issue	26	34	21	17	28	37	18	21	27	25	17	19	26	36	25	26	24	25	28	26	26
The current balance is about right	15	17	14	21	18	17	14	16	16	14	15	14	15	15	16	14	15	17	12	14	17
Don't know	18	9	16	14	11	10	16	20	11	24	30	25	16	8	14	23	20	16	18	19	17

Weights and measures

EU countries should co-operate more closely on this issue	16	14	17	22	21	11	20	17	19	13	14	18	14	16	17	14	14	16	15	15	19
EU countries should loosen their links on this issue	48	62	42	40	40	64	42	40	47	48	26	37	52	62	50	45	40	47	49	53	43
The current balance is about right	17	15	21	21	25	15	18	22	20	13	20	17	18	14	17	16	21	19	15	11	20
Don't know	20	10	19	16	14	10	20	21	14	26	40	28	16	8	17	25	24	18	21	21	18

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The rise of Asia

EU countries should co-operate more closely on this issue	42	42	49	41	44	39	50	46	49	35	30	39	41	49	46	36	40	38	41	47	42
EU countries should loosen their links on this issue	17	22	16	13	11	24	13	11	19	16	14	14	21	17	16	19	16	18	19	15	18
The current balance is about right	12	15	10	16	16	14	10	13	13	10	12	11	12	12	13	10	14	13	11	9	12
Don't know	29	20	26	30	29	23	28	29	19	39	43	36	26	22	25	36	29	30	29	29	28

Rights for workers

EU countries should co-operate more closely on this issue	30	18	43	40	38	17	43	34	32	28	28	33	31	26	31	29	27	29	33	29	33
EU countries should loosen their links on this issue	40	58	27	27	35	60	28	32	41	38	26	27	41	56	39	40	37	41	39	40	38
The current balance is about right	14	16	15	21	14	13	14	16	16	12	15	18	12	11	16	10	16	16	11	12	13
Don't know	17	7	14	12	12	9	15	17	11	23	30	23	15	8	14	21	20	14	17	19	16

National budgets

EU countries should co-operate more closely on this issue	13	9	17	16	17	8	18	12	14	12	14	16	11	11	11	15	12	12	12	15	15
EU countries should loosen their links on this issue	57	71	52	53	55	71	52	55	61	54	45	45	61	69	60	54	50	59	60	58	53
The current balance is about right	12	11	15	20	15	10	14	16	14	10	12	15	12	10	15	8	15	12	12	10	13
Don't know	18	9	15	11	13	11	17	17	11	24	29	24	16	10	14	23	23	17	17	17	18

Crime and justice

EU countries should co-operate more closely on this issue	30	26	35	37	22	24	34	34	31	29	22	28	32	31	31	28	24	31	33	29	30
EU countries should loosen their links on this issue	44	58	38	32	47	59	41	38	47	42	35	34	45	56	44	44	45	46	41	45	39
The current balance is about right	10	8	14	18	20	8	11	13	12	8	13	13	9	7	12	8	11	9	9	9	16
Don't know	16	8	13	13	11	9	15	15	11	21	29	25	13	6	13	21	20	14	17	17	15

Agriculture

EU countries should co-operate more closely on this issue	23	21	27	25	27	18	29	23	27	20	21	20	25	25	24	22	25	23	22	22	26
EU countries should loosen their links on this issue	47	59	42	44	47	62	41	45	49	44	33	38	47	61	49	44	40	47	48	49	47
The current balance is about right	12	11	14	17	11	11	13	14	13	11	14	15	13	7	13	11	13	13	12	11	12
Don't know	18	9	17	14	15	9	18	18	11	25	32	27	16	7	15	22	23	17	18	18	16

Tax rates and national budgets

EU countries should co-operate more closely on this issue	13	9	18	15	14	8	19	12	15	12	14	16	13	12	11	16	13	13	14	14	13
EU countries should loosen their links on this issue	57	74	51	50	55	74	51	56	60	54	45	45	61	69	61	52	53	59	57	58	56
The current balance is about right	12	9	17	20	19	9	16	15	14	11	13	14	12	12	14	10	14	13	13	9	13
Don't know	17	7	14	16	12	8	15	18	11	23	28	25	15	7	13	22	20	15	17	18	17

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Deciding laws on trade unions and strikes

EU countries should co-operate more closely on this issue	15	10	22	20	10	10	22	16	19	12	13	19	14	15	16	14	14	15	16	16	15
EU countries should loosen their links on this issue	54	68	49	44	48	69	48	50	55	53	46	40	57	66	56	52	51	56	52	55	51
The current balance is about right	13	13	16	18	26	11	16	16	16	11	15	15	13	11	14	12	16	13	13	11	17
Don't know	18	8	14	17	16	10	15	17	11	24	26	26	16	8	14	23	19	16	19	18	17

Diplomatic relations with non-European countries

EU countries should co-operate more closely on this issue	36	32	42	49	45	32	44	42	38	34	36	35	35	38	38	33	35	37	36	36	35
EU countries should loosen their links on this issue	28	37	24	15	21	39	24	19	30	25	20	22	29	34	28	27	25	27	27	29	27
The current balance is about right	17	19	18	24	22	16	15	20	21	14	14	17	19	17	19	15	20	17	17	16	22
Don't know	19	11	16	13	12	12	17	18	11	26	30	26	17	11	15	25	20	19	20	19	16

Fighting terrorism and international crime

EU countries should co-operate more closely on this issue	67	72	71	71	73	69	72	70	70	64	53	60	69	76	69	64	61	69	66	68	69
EU countries should loosen their links on this issue	11	13	8	7	5	16	7	8	12	10	9	8	13	12	11	11	12	11	13	10	8
The current balance is about right	8	9	8	11	11	9	7	9	9	7	11	10	7	7	9	7	11	9	7	7	8
Don't know	14	5	12	11	11	7	13	12	9	19	27	22	11	5	11	18	16	12	14	15	15

Regulating banks and financial institutions

EU countries should co-operate more closely on this issue	38	27	50	50	43	24	49	47	42	34	38	37	39	39	38	38	39	39	37	39	37
EU countries should loosen their links on this issue	37	55	27	21	35	58	28	27	38	37	26	29	39	47	38	35	29	39	41	35	38
The current balance is about right	8	10	8	17	11	9	7	9	10	6	6	11	7	8	10	6	12	8	6	7	10
Don't know	17	7	15	12	11	9	16	16	10	23	30	23	16	6	13	21	20	14	16	19	16

Recovering from the recession and financial crisis

EU countries should co-operate more closely on this issue	41	35	52	46	47	31	53	41	43	38	36	37	45	40	42	38	47	39	37	41	46
EU countries should loosen their links on this issue	34	45	26	29	33	50	23	31	34	34	27	28	33	45	35	34	26	36	40	33	32
The current balance is about right	9	11	9	15	3	9	8	12	11	6	8	12	8	7	10	6	10	10	7	8	6
Don't know	17	9	13	10	17	10	16	16	11	22	30	24	14	8	12	22	18	15	16	18	16

Military action

EU countries should co-operate more closely on this issue	39	38	43	44	48	35	44	42	43	36	30	35	41	45	39	39	35	40	38	41	38
EU countries should loosen their links on this issue	28	34	25	16	26	37	26	21	30	25	26	24	26	33	27	29	26	26	30	29	29
The current balance is about right	16	20	17	26	14	18	15	18	16	15	15	16	17	14	20	10	16	19	13	12	16
Don't know	18	8	15	14	12	10	15	18	11	24	29	24	17	8	14	22	22	15	19	18	16

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Below are a number of suggestions that have been put forward to make the EU more effective. How strongly, if at all, would you support or oppose the following measures?

A democratically elected EU president, who is chief executive in the same manner as the President of the United States of America, and directly elected by citizens across Europe

Strongly support	7	4	9	12	10	5	9	10	10	4	8	5	7	8	7	7	7	8	8	6	5
Tend to support	16	16	19	17	20	16	18	15	16	17	19	14	14	21	18	14	18	16	15	18	15
TOTAL SUPPORT	23	20	28	29	30	21	27	25	26	21	27	19	21	29	25	21	25	24	23	24	20
Neither support nor oppose	17	14	19	21	19	12	19	15	14	19	18	19	19	10	15	19	15	16	18	16	17
Tend to oppose	17	17	17	18	16	15	18	22	15	18	11	20	16	17	20	12	15	17	16	17	16
Strongly oppose	30	42	25	22	28	43	25	24	36	24	22	22	32	37	31	28	28	30	28	31	33
TOTAL OPPOSE	47	59	42	40	44	58	43	46	51	42	33	42	48	54	51	40	43	47	44	48	49
Don't know	14	8	10	10	7	10	11	14	9	18	22	21	11	7	10	19	15	13	15	12	14

The creation of a single European army, which decides when European nations go to war and take military action

Strongly support	4	2	6	8	1	3	5	6	6	3	8	3	3	5	4	5	4	4	5	4	3
Tend to support	11	11	14	12	22	8	15	11	12	10	11	10	11	12	10	13	11	10	9	13	14
TOTAL SUPPORT	15	13	20	20	23	11	20	17	18	13	19	13	14	17	14	18	15	14	14	17	17
Neither support nor oppose	14	12	14	19	12	11	15	14	11	17	13	13	16	13	14	14	16	13	14	16	10
Tend to oppose	23	23	26	23	22	19	25	30	21	25	23	23	23	25	26	19	18	25	22	25	22
Strongly oppose	34	45	30	26	35	50	28	27	41	28	27	30	37	37	36	32	35	35	36	31	38
TOTAL OPPOSE	57	68	56	49	57	69	53	57	62	53	50	53	60	62	62	51	53	60	58	56	60
Don't know	13	7	10	12	7	8	12	12	8	17	19	20	10	7	9	18	16	12	14	11	13

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Turning the EU into a fully integrated United States of Europe, with a central European treasury that enforces strict rules on tax and spending in individual European countries

Strongly support	3	2	4	9	8	1	4	6	5	1	7	3	2	3	4	3	0	4	4	4	4
Tend to support	6	3	7	10	7	4	7	7	7	5	8	5	6	6	7	5	9	4	5	7	8
TOTAL SUPPORT	9	5	11	19	15	5	11	13	12	6	15	8	8	9	11	8	9	8	9	11	12
Neither support nor oppose	10	9	13	13	3	5	15	8	9	12	6	14	12	6	9	12	10	10	8	14	7
Tend to oppose	20	16	25	16	24	16	23	22	17	23	19	21	19	21	21	19	21	20	21	20	19
Strongly oppose	48	64	41	42	51	65	39	46	53	43	39	37	50	59	51	43	46	50	49	44	49
TOTAL OPPOSE	68	80	66	58	75	81	62	68	70	66	58	58	69	80	72	62	67	70	70	64	68
Don't know	13	7	10	11	7	8	12	12	9	17	21	20	10	5	9	18	14	12	13	12	14

Making English the official language of the EU to be exclusively used for Union business

Strongly support	20	27	18	14	13	29	16	15	25	15	22	15	17	27	18	22	13	22	20	23	13
Tend to support	20	24	19	19	23	21	19	20	20	20	16	17	20	24	21	18	19	22	20	18	19
TOTAL SUPPORT	40	51	37	33	36	50	35	35	45	35	38	32	37	51	39	40	32	44	40	41	32
Neither support nor oppose	29	28	28	35	25	29	31	29	26	32	20	23	35	31	30	28	30	30	28	29	27
Tend to oppose	11	9	15	16	19	8	15	15	10	12	14	13	10	9	14	7	17	8	13	10	13
Strongly oppose	7	5	9	7	13	4	8	10	10	5	8	11	8	4	8	6	7	6	6	9	14
TOTAL OPPOSE	18	14	24	23	32	12	23	25	20	17	22	24	18	13	22	13	24	14	19	19	27
Don't know	13	7	11	8	7	8	12	12	9	16	19	21	10	5	8	18	14	13	13	11	13

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A single seat to represent the entire EU at the United Nations, instead of individual seats for each member

Strongly support	4	3	4	8	6	4	5	3	6	3	4	3	4	5	4	5	4	3	6	4	3
Tend to support	7	6	7	12	8	6	7	8	7	7	3	6	6	10	7	6	4	7	6	8	6
TOTAL SUPPORT	11	9	11	20	14	10	12	11	13	10	7	9	10	15	11	11	8	10	12	12	9
Neither support nor oppose	15	11	15	16	14	11	15	16	12	18	15	15	15	14	13	17	15	14	14	17	14
Tend to oppose	21	20	28	19	25	17	26	24	20	22	17	20	21	25	23	19	21	24	20	20	20
Strongly oppose	38	47	35	34	39	50	34	33	46	30	39	34	40	37	42	31	38	37	36	37	42
TOTAL OPPOSE	59	67	63	53	64	67	60	57	66	52	56	54	61	62	65	50	59	61	56	57	62
Don't know	15	12	10	11	8	12	12	16	10	20	22	23	14	8	11	22	18	15	17	13	15

An automatic right to leave the EU, if a two-thirds majority of voting people from that country say they want to do so

Strongly support	37	50	30	29	36	55	28	27	41	34	27	24	39	51	34	42	33	37	43	36	34
Tend to support	31	29	33	30	46	25	34	39	31	30	27	31	31	31	34	26	31	31	26	33	32
TOTAL SUPPORT	68	79	63	59	82	80	62	66	72	64	54	55	70	82	68	68	64	68	69	69	66
Neither support nor oppose	12	10	14	18	5	8	15	11	11	13	15	12	14	9	13	11	11	14	11	13	9
Tend to oppose	6	4	9	10	3	3	6	9	6	5	6	8	4	4	7	3	10	5	4	4	8
Strongly oppose	2	1	3	4	4	1	4	2	3	1	3	2	2	2	3	1	2	1	2	3	3
TOTAL OPPOSE	8	5	12	14	7	4	10	11	9	6	9	10	6	6	10	4	12	6	6	7	11
Don't know	13	6	11	8	6	7	12	12	8	17	21	22	10	4	9	17	13	12	13	12	14