

# Ipsos MORI Winter Survey of MPs

Topline prepared for getstats

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# Methodology

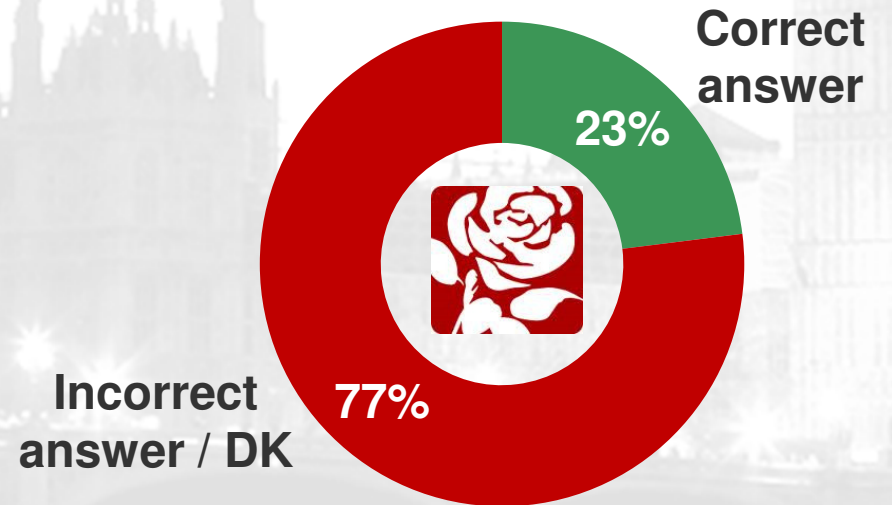
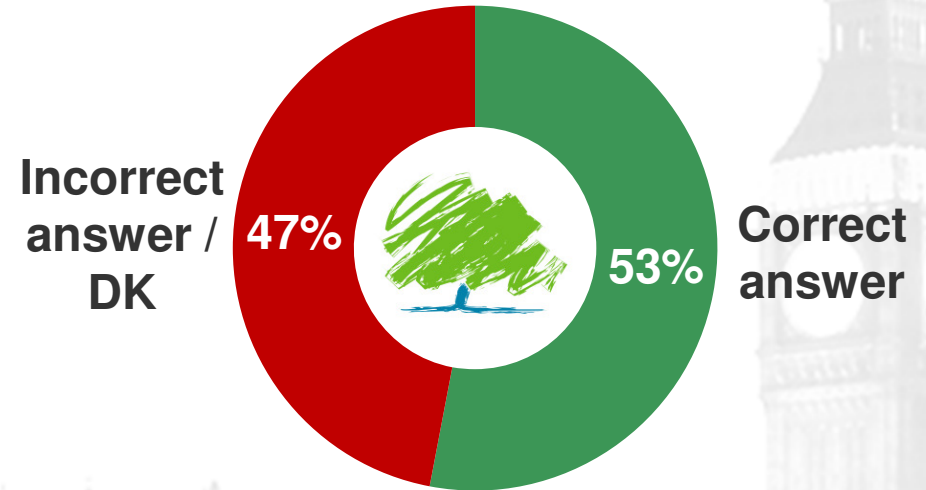
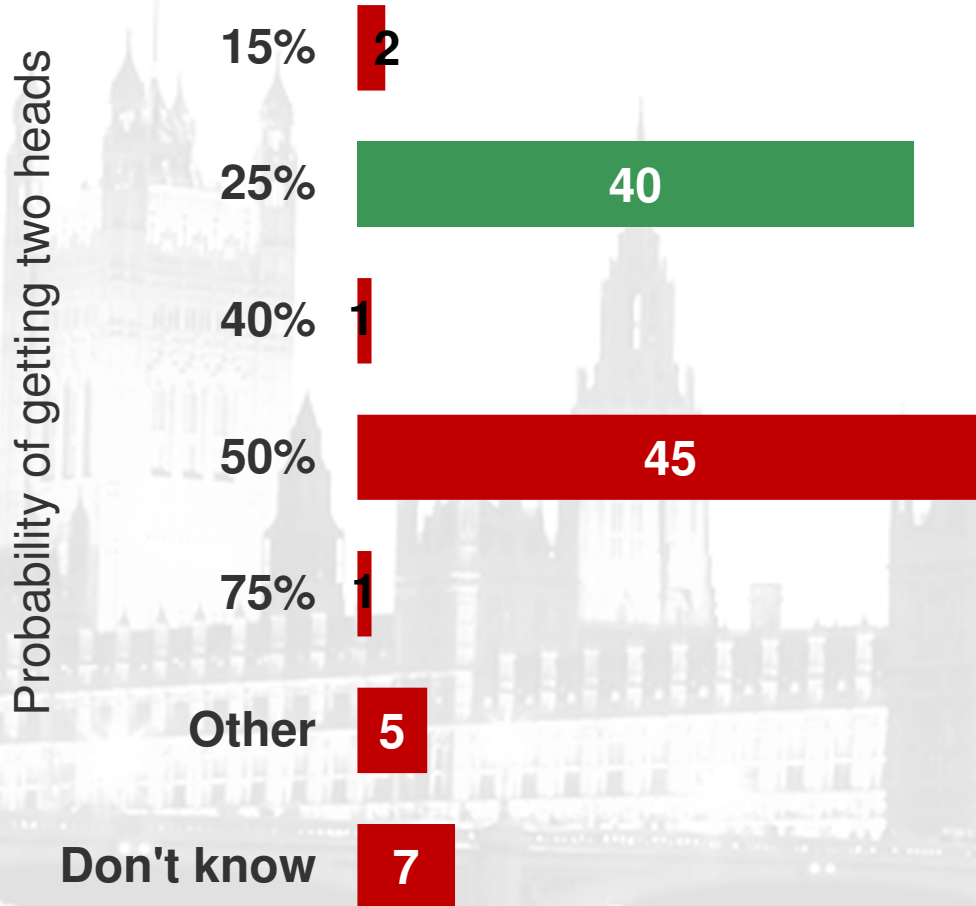
- This report presents the topline findings of the winter 2011 study of Britain's Members of Parliament, part of Ipsos MORI's programme of regular multi-sponsored studies among key audiences
- Methodology details:
  - Fieldwork dates: 1 November – 20 December 2011
  - Total number of respondents: 125 (Conservative 51, Labour 58, Liberal Democrats 13, and Others 3)
  - The questionnaire was 'versioned' to keep the interview to a reasonable length, with 97 MPs answering the getstats questions (Conservative 41, Labour 44, Liberal Democrats 9, and Others 3) unless additional filters were applied
  - An initial sample of 325 MPs were contacted to ensure that those interviewed closely represent the profile of the House of Commons
  - Interviews were conducted face-to-face
- The total sample interviewed is closely representative of the House. Based on those asked each question, data have been individually weighted where necessary to reflect the true balance by party and ministerial or spokesperson position
- Sometimes the percentage result for "All MPs" may be greater than the sum of the percentage results for Labour and Conservative MPs, as it also includes results from other parties. Where results do not sum to 100%, this may be due to computer rounding, multiple responses, or the exclusion of "don't know" categories

# Statistical reporting

	All		Conservative		Labour	
	Agree %	Disagree %	Agree %	Disagree %	Agree %	Disagree %
I generally feel confident when dealing with numbers	77	7	76	6	72	11
Politicians use official statistics and figures accurately when talking about their policies	28	40	17	38	30	47
Newspapers and television channels report statistics accurately	15	57	13	66	18	53

# MPs' ability to calculate probabilities

% All MPs



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