

YouGov Survey Results

Sample Size: 2008
Fieldwork:

Compassion in Dying

Total	Gender		Age					Social Grade		Region						
Base	Male	Female	18 to 24	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55+	ABC1	C2DE	North	Midlands	East	London	South	Wales	Scotland

If you were dying *with no prospect of recovery* - in the last days and weeks of life, which ONE of the following would you prefer?

	2008	922	1086	191	284	328	342	863	1191	817	495	274	219	286	503	70	161
Unweighted Base	2008	964	1044	241	344	371	349	703	1104	904	494	329	193	257	460	100	175
Comfort care only - this is when you are kept comfortable until you die. Nothing is done to prolong your life, however measures are taken to ensure you are pain free and do not suffer. You would not be artificially tube fed or resuscitated.	60%	58%	62%	47%	55%	66%	63%	63%	62%	58%	60%	61%	62%	52%	64%	61%	62%
Limited additional intervention – this includes all comfort care measures, plus some medication, where appropriate, or artificial tube feeding (which could potentially lengthen life). You would not be resuscitated or put on a ventilator.	14%	13%	14%	21%	16%	11%	15%	11%	14%	13%	13%	13%	15%	16%	13%	13%	13%
Full treatment - this includes comfort care and limited additional intervention <i>and</i> you would be kept alive using all artificial means, such as resuscitation or ventilation.	8%	9%	7%	11%	11%	7%	6%	6%	7%	9%	9%	8%	6%	8%	7%	10%	6%
Don't know	14%	14%	13%	16%	14%	13%	13%	13%	12%	15%	14%	13%	12%	17%	11%	16%	14%
Prefer not to say	5%	5%	4%	5%	4%	3%	3%	6%	5%	5%	4%	4%	4%	7%	5%	-	5%

If an adult loved one/ your next of kin (for example your wife/ husband/ brother) lost the ability to communicate their wishes, do you think you would have the legal right to make medical treatment decisions (such as choosing between comfort, limited and full treatment) on their behalf?

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Yes, I do	53%	52%	54%	43%	49%	53%	57%	57%	53%	53%	57%	55%	50%	49%	51%	52%	57%
No, I don't	24%	27%	22%	27%	25%	27%	24%	21%	26%	22%	22%	21%	26%	27%	25%	27%	28%
Don't know	23%	21%	24%	30%	26%	20%	20%	21%	21%	25%	22%	25%	24%	25%	24%	20%	15%

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If you were dying *with no prospect of recovery* - in the last days and weeks of life, which ONE of the following would you prefer?

	2008	969	280	1249	82	447	67	163	1064	245	202	58	433	6
Unweighted Base	2008	1021	276	1298	92	368	80	170	978	282	189	48	505	6
Base: All GB Adults														
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Limited additional intervention – this includes all comfort care measures, plus some medication, where appropriate, or artificial tube feeding (which could potentially lengthen life). You would not be resuscitated or put on a ventilator.	14%	15%	11%	14%	28%	10%	10%	12%	12%	17%	15%	9%	15%	-
Full treatment - this includes comfort care and limited additional intervention <i>and</i> you would be kept alive using all artificial means, such as resuscitation or ventilation.	8%	8%	11%	9%	10%	6%	4%	6%	6%	9%	6%	7%	12%	-
Don't know	14%	15%	11%	14%	9%	13%	8%	15%	13%	13%	13%	15%	15%	-
Prefer not to say	5%	3%	4%	3%	8%	7%	9%	4%	5%	4%	3%	5%	5%	19%

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Unweighted Base	2008	1021	276	1298	92	368	80	170	978	282	189	48	505	6
Base: All GB Adults														
Yes, I do	53%	51%	53%	51%	44%	62%	52%	54%	58%	54%	52%	65%	43%	50%
No, I don't	24%	26%	23%	25%	35%	19%	16%	25%	22%	24%	25%	14%	28%	18%
Don't know	23%	23%	24%	23%	22%	20%	32%	21%	20%	22%	23%	21%	29%	32%

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Base	0	1	2	3+	ALL WITH CHILDREN IN HOUSEHOLD (NET)	Refused

If you were dying *with no prospect of recovery* - in the last days and weeks of life, which ONE of the following would you prefer?

	Unweighted Base	2008	1446	246	194	74	514	48
	Base: All GB Adults	2008	1389	273	210	91	575	44
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Limited additional intervention – this includes all comfort care measures, plus some medication, where appropriate, or artificial tube feeding (which could potentially lengthen life). You would not be resuscitated or put on a ventilator.	14%	14%	13%	14%	14%	13%	13%	
Full treatment - this includes comfort care and limited additional intervention <i>and</i> you would be kept alive using all artificial means, such as resuscitation or ventilation.	8%	7%	7%	10%	11%	9%	7%	
Don't know	14%	14%	13%	12%	10%	12%	11%	
Prefer not to say	5%	4%	5%	4%	9%	5%	12%	

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Don't know	23%	23%	21%	21%	30%	22%	9%	

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Base	North East	North West	Yorkshire and the Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	East of England	London

If you were dying *with no prospect of recovery* - in the last days and weeks of life, which ONE of the following would you prefer?

	2008	106	225	164	121	153	219	286
Unweighted Base	2008	106	225	164	121	153	219	286
Base: All GB Adults	2008	113	224	157	147	182	193	257
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Limited additional intervention – this includes all comfort care measures, plus some medication, where appropriate, or artificial tube feeding (which could potentially lengthen life). You would not be resuscitated or put on a ventilator.	14%	15%	14%	11%	16%	10%	15%	16%
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Don't know	14%	14%	12%	17%	15%	12%	12%	17%
Prefer not to say	5%	2%	5%	4%	5%	4%	4%	7%

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Base	South East	South West	Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland

If you were dying *with no prospect of recovery* - in the last days and weeks of life, which ONE of the following would you prefer?

	2008	296	207	70	161	-
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Don't know	14%	14%	8%	16%	14%	-
Prefer not to say	5%	5%	4%	-	5%	-

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Don't know	4%	5%	3%	10%	5%	4%	3%	2%	4%	5%	2%	5%	4%	6%	4%	8%	3%

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No, I don't	93%	93%	93%	93%	95%	93%	92%	92%	94%	92%	95%	93%	92%	100%
Don't know	4%	5%	5%	5%	4%	2%	8%	3%	3%	6%	1%	1%	7%	-

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Yes, I do	3%	2%	2%	6%	4%	4%	-
No, I don't	93%	94%	94%	89%	84%	91%	94%
Don't know	4%	4%	3%	5%	12%	5%	6%

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Yes, I do	3%	4%	2%	2%	1%	6%	2%	3%
No, I don't	93%	96%	95%	96%	93%	90%	94%	91%
Don't know	4%	-	3%	2%	6%	5%	4%	6%

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No, I don't	93%	91%	95%	91%	94%	-
Don't know	4%	5%	3%	8%	3%	-