# Newark Reactions Poll

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### Methodology

#### Fieldwork Dates

30<sup>th</sup> April 2014

#### **Data Collection Method**

The survey was conducted via online panel. Invitations to complete surveys were sent out to members of the panel. Differential response rates from different demographic groups were taken into account.

#### **Population Sampled**

All residents aged 18+ in Great Britain

#### Sample Size

1.024

#### **Data Weighting**

Data were weighted to the profile of all adults aged 18+. Data were weighted by age, sex, region and past vote. Targets for the weighted data were derived from Office of National Statistics 2011 Census data and the results of the 2010 General Election.

As this was a snap poll, live sequential weighting was used on the data set, rather than post-fieldwork rim weighting. As such, weighted data will approximate demographic targets but may not match exactly to the nearest percentage point.

#### Margin of Error

Because only a sample of the full population was interviewed, all results are subject to margin of error, meaning that not all differences are statistically significant. For example, in a question where 50% (the worst case scenario as far as margin of error is concerned) gave a particular answer, with a sample of 1,024 it is 95% certain that the 'true' value will fall within the range of 3.1% from the sample result. Subsamples from the cross-breaks will be subject to higher margin of error, conclusions drawn from crossbreaks with very small sub-samples should be treated with caution.



#### **Question presentation**

All data tables shown in full below, in order and wording put to respondents, including but not limited to all tables relating to published data and all relevant tables preceding them. Tables for demographic questions might not be included but these should be clear from the cross-breaks on published tables. In all questions where the responses are a list of parties, names or statements, these will typically have been displayed to respondents in a randomising order. The only questions which would not have had randomising responses would be those in which there was a natural order to maintain – e.g. a scale from "strongly agree" to "strongly disagree", a list of numbers from 0 to 10 or questions which had factual rather than opinion-related answers such as demographic information. "Other", "Don't know" and "Refused" responses are not randomised.

Not all questions will have necessarily been asked to all respondents – this is because they may be follow-on questions from previous questions or only appropriate to certain demographic groups. Lower response counts should make clear where this has occurred.

Data were analysed and weighted by Survation and presented by Patrick Briône and Damian Lyons Lowe.

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Following the resignation of Conservative MP Patrick Mercer, there will be a by-election to elect a new MP in Newark in the coming weeks. Despite some in the media suggesting that UKIP leader Nigel Farage should be the UKIP candidate, Nigel Farage has said today that he will not be personally standing in this by-election. Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

#### Q1: "Nigel Farage chose not to stand in Newark primarily because he is scared of losing"

		Age			Sex		Region			2010 Vote		
	Total	18-34	35-54	55+	Male	Female	South	Midlands & Wales	North & Scotland	Labour	Conservative	Liberal Democrat
Unweighted total	1024	449	371	205	380	644	424	232	368	217	211	151
Weighted total	1024	322	356	346	504	520	466	220	338	194	251	164
Agree	327	81	129	116	182	145	140	80	106	97	92	45
	31.9%	25.2%	36.2%	33.5%	36.1%	27.9%	30.0%	36.4%	31.4%	50.0%	36.7%	27.4%
Disagree	305	62	104	138	187	117	136	67	102	41	105	59
	29.8%	19.3%	29.2%	39.9%	37.1%	22.5%	29.2%	30.5%	30.2%	21.1%	41.8%	36.0%
Don't know	393	179	123	92	135	258	190	73	130	56	54	61
	38.4%	55.6%	34.6%	26.6%	26.8%	49.6%	40.8%	33.2%	38.5%	28.9%	21.5%	37.2%
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	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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#### Q2: "I would vote for Nigel Farage if he was standing in my constituency"

		Age			Sex			Region			2010 Vote		
	Total	18-34	35-54	55+	Male	Female	South	Midlands & Wales	North & Scotland	Labour	Conservative	Liberal Democrat	
Unweighted total	1021	447	368	208	381	640	424	232	366	214	215	150	
Weighted total	1021	320	353	349	505	516	466	220	336	191	255	163	
Δστρρ	217	40	79	98	134	82	92	55	70	29	88	28	
	21.3%	12.5%	22.4%	28.1%	26.5%	15.9%	19.7%	25.0%	20.8%	15.2%	34.5%	17.2%	
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	49.2%	43.4%	52.7%	50.7%	55.1%	43.4%	48.5%	49.1%	50.0%	65.5%	48.6%	58.3%	
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	29.7%	44.1%	24.9%	20.9%	18.4%	40.5%	31.8%	25.9%	29.2%	18.9%	16.5%	24.5%	
Intal	1021	320	353	349	505	516	466	220	336	191	255	163	
	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	