

# GP contract 2008/09: Summary results of GPC's poll of opinion

	Total	England	Northern Ireland	Scotland	Wales
Number of respondents	27,469	21,379	614	2,867	1,208

**Q1 Having read the accompanying information, and as you do have to choose between the two options presented here, which of them do you select?**

Base: All respondents

	Total	England	Northern Ireland	Scotland	Wales
Option A	92% <sup>1</sup>	91%	94%	93%	92%
Option B	6%	6%	3%	5%	5%
Not stated	2%	2%	3%	2%	3%

**Q2 Which of the following best describes how you feel about the option you have selected.**

Base: All respondents

	Total	England	Northern Ireland	Scotland	Wales
I am opposed to both options but have selected this because it was the less worse of the two	96%	96%	94%	97%	96%
I have selected this because it has my full support	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%
Not stated	2%	2%	3%	1%	2%

**Q3 Do you believe that the governments' method of negotiation is acceptable or not?**

Base: All respondents

	Total	England	Northern Ireland	Scotland	Wales
Is acceptable	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%
Not acceptable	98%	98%	98%	98%	98%
Not stated	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%

<sup>1</sup> Percentages have been rounded to the nearest whole number and therefore do not always equal 100%.

**Q3 Do you believe that the direction of government policy (in England) to expand private commercial provision of NHS general practice will be:**

**Base: All respondents**

	Total	England	Northern Ireland	Scotland	Wales
<b>Detrimental to patients and the service as a whole?</b>	92%	93%	94%	92%	92%
<b>Beneficial to patients and the service as a whole?</b>	1%	2%	0%	1%	1%
<b>Neither beneficial nor detrimental to patients and the service as a whole?</b>	5%	5%	4%	4%	5%
<b>Not stated</b>	1%	1%	1%	3%	2%

**Q5 How confident are you in this government's handling of the NHS?**

**Base: All respondents**

	Total	England	Northern Ireland	Scotland	Wales
<b>Very confident</b>	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
<b>Fairly confident</b>	2%	2%	1%	3%	1%
<b>Not very confident</b>	15%	15%	15%	18%	16%
<b>Not at all confident</b>	82%	82%	83%	78%	82%
<b>No view</b>	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%

**Q7 Which of the following best describes your main current status?**

**Base: All respondents**

	Total	England	Northern Ireland	Scotland	Wales
<b>GMS/GP contractor/Principal</b>	51%	48%	82%	76%	83%
<b>PMS (section 17c in Scotland)</b>	22%	28%	0%	7%	0%
<b>GP contractor/principal</b>					
<b>Salaried GP</b>	10%	12%	3%	5%	6%
<b>Freeland GP (locum)</b>	5%	5%	9%	5%	5%
<b>GP speciality registrar/trainee</b>	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%
<b>Other/not stated</b>	9%	5%	3%	6%	4%