

YouGov / Open Rights Group Survey Results

Sample Size: 1967

Fieldwork: 13th - 15th October 2009

	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	London	South	East of England	Wales	Scotland
Unweighted Base	1967	957	1010	199	362	344	379	683	938	1029	474	305	204	204	478	109	193
All Respondents	1967	944	1023	236	349	342	351	688	1082	885	484	323	189	252	450	98	171

How, if at all, would disconnection or suspension of your home Internet account harm your ability to undertake each of the following?

Work/ education

Completely disrupt my ability to do this	19%	20%	18%	26%	18%	29%	16%	13%	21%	16%	17%	19%	18%	20%	23%	18%	16%
A fair amount	23%	25%	21%	37%	28%	24%	23%	15%	26%	19%	21%	22%	22%	27%	23%	22%	26%
Not very much	20%	21%	19%	14%	22%	23%	20%	20%	22%	18%	19%	18%	15%	21%	23%	21%	22%
It would not disrupt my ability to do this at all	21%	20%	22%	12%	23%	13%	29%	24%	18%	25%	23%	21%	27%	17%	18%	29%	22%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	2%	1%	0%	2%	1%	1%	2%	0%
Not applicable	16%	14%	17%	10%	8%	9%	11%	27%	12%	20%	18%	20%	16%	15%	13%	9%	13%

How, if at all, would disconnection or suspension of your home Internet account harm your ability to undertake each of the following?

Using essential commercial services (e.g. shopping banking etc.)

Completely disrupt my ability to do this	30%	28%	32%	20%	25%	38%	31%	32%	32%	28%	30%	33%	27%	23%	33%	29%	33%
A fair amount	43%	44%	43%	49%	51%	42%	43%	38%	45%	41%	42%	39%	50%	49%	43%	43%	40%
Not very much	14%	15%	12%	20%	13%	12%	13%	13%	14%	14%	12%	17%	10%	14%	14%	14%	13%
It would not disrupt my ability to do this at all	9%	10%	9%	6%	8%	5%	11%	13%	8%	11%	12%	9%	8%	10%	7%	11%	10%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	-
Not applicable	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	2%	3%	3%	1%	5%	2%	2%	3%	3%	3%	1%	4%

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The Government has announced plans to suspend or restrict a household's Internet connection if an accusation is made that they have downloaded copyrighted content (such as films or music) a number of times. However, they have not decided how the decision to disconnect accused households should be made.

Thinking about if the Government does proceed with their plan...

If you had to choose, which of these options would you prefer as to when users should be disconnected?

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Automatically, once an Internet Service Provider has received a number of accusations	16%	14%	18%	18%	13%	13%	15%	19%	16%	16%	17%	18%	13%	17%	17%	20%	12%
Only once evidence and the circumstances has been considered by a court	68%	73%	63%	65%	72%	70%	70%	65%	69%	66%	63%	67%	71%	66%	69%	71%	75%
Don't know	16%	12%	19%	17%	15%	17%	15%	16%	14%	18%	20%	15%	16%	17%	14%	10%	12%

Would it make you more or less likely to vote for a political party that endorsed disconnection from the Internet, without a trial, as a way to tackle illicit online file sharing (E.g. music, film etc.)?

	Total	Male	Female	18 to 24	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55+	ABC1	C2DE	North	Midlands	London	South	East of England	Wales	Scotland
Much more likely to vote for that party	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%
A little more likely	5%	4%	5%	5%	4%	4%	4%	6%	4%	5%	5%	3%	5%	5%	3%	12%	6%
A little less likely	13%	15%	10%	19%	17%	10%	11%	10%	14%	11%	11%	9%	12%	15%	13%	16%	18%
Much less likely to vote for that party	31%	38%	25%	39%	31%	34%	33%	26%	31%	31%	31%	30%	32%	36%	29%	22%	36%
Not applicable: it would make no difference to my decision to vote for one party over another	44%	36%	51%	27%	38%	43%	45%	53%	44%	43%	45%	51%	43%	34%	47%	44%	33%
Don't know	6%	5%	7%	8%	9%	7%	7%	3%	5%	7%	7%	5%	7%	7%	6%	3%	5%