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About the Survey

Client: Policy Exchange

Fieldwork Period: February 23, 2023

Sampling Method: Online

Population Sampled: All adults (18+) in Great Britain

Sample Size: 1,101

Data Collection: The data is acquired from a panel provider offering participants the chance to win money. The sampling relies on an online quota approach. Specifically, participants are sampled to meet Office of National Statistics quotas for gender, age, region, socio-economic group, vote in the 2019 general election, and vote in the 2016 Brexit referendum. No criteria are used to over- or undersample respondents. To ensure the polling is representative of the target population, we use official and reliable data sources to match the sample to demographic population targets.

Weighting: The sample has been weighted to be representative of the population on the following variables: gender, age, socio-economic group, region, vote in the 2019 General Elections and 2016 Brexit referendum vote.

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Additional Information: PeoplePolling is a member of the British Polling Council (BPC) and abides by its rules.

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Q1. Museums often lend artefacts (such as archaeological objects) to be exhibited in other countries. What do you think should be the maximum length of time for which an artefact is loaned to another country?

		Gen	nder		Age (Group			Social	Grade				Region			Gene	ral Election	s 2019	Brexit l	Ref 2016
	National	Female	Male	18-24	25-49	50-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	London	Midlands Wales	/ North	Rest of South	Scotland	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Leave	Remain
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3 months	4%	4%	4%	8%	3%	4%	3%	3%	4%	2%	4%	4%	4%	3%	5%	-	3%	2%	2%	4%	4%
6 months	6%	7%	5%	5%	5%	4%	10%	5%	7%	3%	8%	6%	5%	5%	9%	4%	7%	6%	7%	7%	4%
l year	20%	18%	22%	14%	14%	25%	27%	20%	22%	20%	18%	17%	20%	20%	21%	22%	25%	19%	20%	23%	21%
2 years	7%	8%	7%	5%	7%	9%	8%	10%	7%	7%	7%	7%	9%	7%	6%	7%	8%	6%	9%	7%	8%
3 years	4%	3%	4%	4%	4%	5%	2%	4%	4%	5%	3%	4%	5%	3%	3%	1%	3%	4%	6%	3%	4%
No maximum length	20%	15%	24%	21%	21%	18%	19%	22%	23%	17%	15%	26%	17%	19%	20%	17%	20%	26%	23%	19%	24%
Prefer not to say	5%	7%	3%	11%	7%	3%	2%	5%	2%	6%	7%	4%	4%	6%	6%	5%	4%	3%	2%	4%	2%
Don't know	35%	39%	31%	31%	41%	32%	29%	30%	32%	39%	39%	31%	36%	37%	30%	44%	30%	33%	30%	33%	32%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

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Q2. Which of the following factors do you think are most important when deciding where artefacts of historic importance should be displayed? [Choose up to three]

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They should be freely open to the public.	33%	24%	42%	25%	28%	38%	40%	39%	35%	31%	27%	33%	35%	34%	32%	29%	36%	37%	46%	35%	40%
They should be in the location that will allow the greatest number of people to see them.	22%	19%	26%	16%	15%	26%	34%	26%	24%	20%	20%	28%	20%	23%	24%	16%	31%	22%	33%	28%	23%
They should be in the institution best able to display them in an educational way.	22%	21%	23%	21%	21%	19%	27%	23%	25%	20%	18%	25%	24%	19%	22%	19%	23%	24%	26%	23%	24%
They should be in the institution most likely to preserve them for the long term.	26%	25%	27%	30%	25%	29%	25%	28%	25%	28%	24%	32%	27%	21%	27%	25%	31%	27%	31%	30%	27%
They should remain where they are currently, and have been for a long time.	6%	6%	5%	11%	5%	5%	5%	6%	5%	6%	5%	6%	7%	4%	5%	5%	7%	5%	2%	7%	4%
They should be in an institution belonging to the ethnic or national grouping which originally created them.	21%	22%	20%	31%	22%	18%	18%	28%	25%	15%	16%	28%	19%	19%	19%	31%	12%	32%	33%	12%	33%
They should be in the institution which first excavated or legally purchased them.	8%	7%	9%	13%	6%	11%	8%	9%	8%	8%	8%	10%	7%	7%	8%	13%	11%	8%	9%	10%	8%
None of the above	8%	9%	8%	11%	11%	7%	3%	4%	9%	9%	11%	3%	9%	12%	8%	8%	5%	7%	3%	8%	5%
Prefer not to say	21%	25%	17%	18%	26%	18%	16%	22%	17%	24%	22%	20%	20%	21%	21%	23%	18%	17%	16%	19%	17%

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Q3. Please indicate if you agree or disagree with the following statement: "Important artefacts which are held in a major museum outside their country of origin should be given up by that museum and sent permanently to a museum in their country of origin."

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Weighted	1101	548	553	117	454	270	260	258	339	233	271	159	303	279	263	97	338	239	90	417	397
Strongly agree	14%	13%	15%	17%	11%	16%	16%	14%	13%	14%	16%	13%	15%	15%	10%	25%	10%	18%	13%	9%	19%
Somewhat agree	25%	24%	25%	25%	25%	24%	24%	27%	27%	23%	21%	32%	25%	20%	26%	23%	24%	31%	31%	25%	28%
Somewhat disagree	14%	11%	16%	11%	10%	13%	21%	18%	14%	11%	11%	15%	14%	13%	14%	12%	20%	13%	14%	16%	14%
Strongly disagree	9%	6%	11%	9%	6%	10%	10%	8%	10%	7%	9%	8%	8%	9%	10%	6%	15%	4%	8%	13%	6%
Prefer not to say	13%	15%	10%	18%	17%	8%	7%	13%	9%	13%	16%	10%	12%	13%	15%	10%	8%	10%	11%	10%	9%
Don't know	27%	30%	23%	19%	30%	28%	22%	20%	28%	31%	27%	22%	27%	30%	26%	23%	24%	24%	22%	27%	23%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

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Q4. Please indicate if you agree or disagree with the following statement: "The British Museum should loan items to a country even if that country does not accept that the British Museum owns the item in question."

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Strongly agree	7% 15%	7% 13%	7% 16%	14% 12%	7%	5% 15%	6% 15%	10% 18%	8% 16%	4% 13%	6% 10%	10% 19%	6%	7%	5% 15%	10% 16%	4% 11%	11% 23%	7% 17%	4%	12% 20%
Somewhat agree Somewhat disagree	15%	16%	15%	16%	14% 10%	19%	20%	15%	15%	17%	10%	18%	12% 16%	14% 15%	15%	9%	21%	14%	17% 22%	12% 20%	14%
Strongly disagree Prefer not to say	19% 11%	15% 13%	23% 9%	15% 15%	15% 14%	23% 8%	24% 8%	15% 12%	19% 8%	21% 12%	21% 15%	15% 10%	20% 10%	20% 10%	21% 13%	16% 12%	30% 8%	9% 9%	12% 13%	30% 8%	11% 10%
Don't know Total	33% 100%	37% 100%	29% 100%	28% 100%	39% 100%	30% 100%	27% 100%	30% 100%	34% 100%	33% 100%	33% 100%	28% 100%	35% 100%	34% 100%	31% 100%	36% 100%	26% 100%	34% 100%	29% 100%	27% 100%	34% 100%

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Q5. The Elgin Marbles are a collection of ancient Greek sculptures and architectural details in the British Museum. If the Elgin Marbles were sent to Greece on loan, do you think it likely or unlikely that they would be returned to London at the end of the loan period?

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Very likely	4%	3%	6%	4%	3%	6%	6%	3%	3%	5%	6%	3%	3%	6%	4%	5%	6%	3%	2%	5%	3%
Somewhat likely	7%	8%	7%	12%	8%	6%	6%	8%	8%	4%	8%	11%	8%	5%	7%	7%	5%	11%	2%	6%	9%
Somewhat unlikely	21%	21%	21%	25%	19%	18%	26%	25%	24%	21%	14%	23%	21%	18%	23%	26%	22%	23%	41%	18%	27%
Very unlikely	25%	19%	32%	15%	18%	33%	36%	23%	26%	28%	25%	29%	27%	25%	25%	19%	36%	22%	24%	34%	24%
Prefer not to say	10%	12%	9%	16%	13%	8%	5%	12%	7%	11%	13%	8%	10%	11%	13%	9%	7%	9%	10%	7%	8%
Don't know	31%	37%	25%	28%	39%	29%	21%	28%	31%	30%	34%	26%	31%	34%	29%	33%	25%	33%	20%	30%	29%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

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Q6. If the Elgin Marbles were to return to Greece, how likely do you think it is that it would encourage further returns of other important artefacts to their countries of origin?

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Very likely	17%	15%	18%	20%	14%	19%	17%	20%	18%	14%	13%	25%	17%	14%	13%	17%	17%	20%	15%	15%	22%
Fairly likely	30%	28%	33%	30%	29%	30%	34%	35%	32%	25%	29%	38%	28%	24%	35%	30%	32%	34%	44%	29%	37%
Fairly unlikely	7%	7%	7%	5%	7%	6%	8%	6%	8%	9%	5%	7%	7%	8%	5%	8%	9%	7%	5%	9%	6%
Very unlikely	6%	4%	8%	7%	3%	6%	10%	5%	5%	8%	5%	3%	7%	6%	5%	7%	8%	4%	5%	8%	4%
Prefer not to say	11%	12%	10%	16%	15%	7%	7%	13%	7%	11%	15%	8%	10%	12%	14%	8%	7%	9%	10%	7%	8%
Don't know	29%	34%	25%	22%	33%	32%	24%	21%	30%	34%	33%	19%	31%	36%	28%	29%	28%	25%	21%	32%	22%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

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Q7. How significant a factor should the risk of damage to an artefact be when the British Museum considers sending artefacts overseas?

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Very significant	41%	37%	45%	34%	35%	45%	50%	42%	44%	39%	36%	49%	42%	38%	42%	30%	52%	37%	48%	49%	40%
Somewhat significant	18%	20%	17%	23%	18%	19%	16%	19%	20%	18%	17%	17%	19%	16%	19%	26%	15%	25%	15%	15%	23%
Neither significant nor insignificant	5%	4%	5%	3%	4%	5%	6%	4%	5%	4%	5%	7%	4%	5%	3%	7%	4%	5%	9%	4%	7%
Somewhat insignificant	4%	3%	5%	7%	4%	2%	3%	7%	3%	1%	3%	5%	4%	4%	3%	3%	2%	4%	7%	3%	6%
Very insignificant	2%	1%	2%	-	1%	2%	3%	2%	2%	3%	1%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%
Prefer not to say	11%	12%	9%	17%	14%	7%	6%	12%	8%	12%	12%	8%	10%	11%	13%	9%	8%	8%	10%	7%	8%
Don't know	20%	23%	17%	16%	23%	20%	16%	14%	18%	23%	25%	14%	20%	25%	18%	22%	16%	19%	9%	20%	16%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%