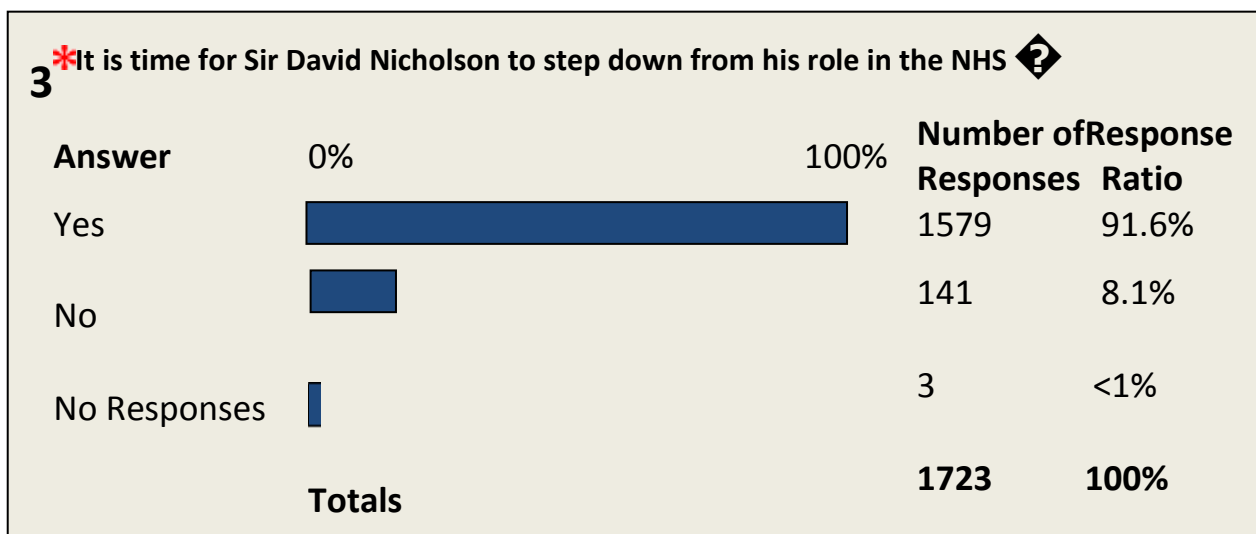


Press Information

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Over 90% of staff call for NHS top boss to quit.

In an unprecedented response to a staff survey, conducted by *nhsManagers.net*, the leading electronic news, comment and information service for NHS managers; a mix of 1723 medics, nurses, clinical professionals, senior managers and administrators responded to the question; *Is it time for Sir David Nicholson to step down from his role in the NHS?* - **91.6% said yes.**



Responding to the survey, *nhsManagers.net* editor and former Trust Chairman Roy Lilley said; 'This is a huge blow for Sir David. It is clear he no longer enjoys the support of front-line staff. As stories of quality horrors, bullying and service dislocation emerge it would seem time to recognise Sir David's huge contribution to the NHS in the past but make it clear he is not the man to take the NHS into the future. Politicians insist on the NHS being run in a business like way. If this were a business I think the shareholders would be calling for a new boss and a clean sweep of the Board. I don't see why taxpayers should expect anything less'.

The survey was conducted between 0715hrs 18th February and 0900hrs 20th February
 The make-up of respondents is

1*Please tell us, briefly, what you do.

Tick one of the boxes.

Answer	0%	100%	Number of Responses	Response Ratio
I am a medic			199	11.5%
I am a nurse			136	7.8%
I am a clinical professional			115	6.6%
I am a manager			801	46.4%
I am an administrator			94	5.4%
Other			370	21.4%
No Responses			9	<1%
Totals			1723	100%

Other includes; NEDs, Academic, trainee, retired

2*Please tell us where you work.

Answer	0%	100%	Number of Responses	Response Ratio
NHS			1289	75.5%
Private Sector			129	7.5%
Voluntary Sector			68	3.9%
Supplier			34	1.9%
Other			225	13.1%
Totals			1707	100%

Other includes Higher education. Local Authority, University

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