

YouGov Survey: BBC and Trump



Sample 1120 U.S. adult citizens
Conducted November 14 - 17, 2025
Margin of Error $\pm 3.7\%$

1. On Sunday the BBC's director general Tim Davie and CEO of News Deborah Turness resigned. How closely have you followed this story?

Very closely	4%
Fairly closely	12%
Not very closely	13%
I am aware of the story but am not following it	15%
I am not aware of the story	56%

2. And from what you have seen and heard, do you think the BBC's director general Tim Davie and CEO of News Deborah Turness were right or wrong to resign?

Right to resign	21%
Wrong to resign	8%
Don't know	71%

3. Do you believe the BBC News is or is not politically biased?

Yes - it is generally biased in favor of left-wing political views	25%
Yes - it is generally biased in favor of right-wing political views	5%
No - it is not politically biased	20%
Don't know	50%

4. Donald Trump's lawyers have demanded that the BBC apologize for editing his speech on the day of the Jan. 6, 2021 Capitol riots in a misleading way. Do you think the BBC should or should not apologize to President Trump?

Should apologize	39%
Should not apologize	38%
Don't know	24%

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Target population	U.S. Citizens, aged 18 and over.
Sampling method	Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in panel to be representative of adult U.S. citizens.
Weighting	The sample was weighted according to gender, age, race, education, 2024 presidential vote, 2020 election turnout and presidential vote, baseline party identification, and current voter registration status. Demographic weighting targets come from the 2019 American Community Survey. 2024 presidential vote, at time of weighting was estimated to be 48% Harris and 50% Trump. Baseline party identification is the respondent's most recent answer given around November 8, 2024, and is weighted to the estimated distribution at that time (31% Democratic, 32% Republican). The weights range from 0.051 to 6.035, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.793.
Number of respondents	1120
Margin of error	± 3.7% (adjusted for weighting)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews
Questions not reported	101 questions not reported.

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1. Following BBC Resignations Story

On Sunday the BBC's director general Tim Davie and CEO of News Deborah Turness resigned. How closely have you followed this story?

		Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Very closely	4%	5%	3%	4%	4%	3%	6%	3%	4%	9%	*
Fairly closely	12%	14%	9%	7%	11%	12%	15%	11%	12%	11%	*
Not very closely	13%	15%	12%	15%	16%	11%	12%	14%	11%	15%	*
I am aware of the story but am not following it	15%	18%	13%	12%	12%	16%	20%	17%	9%	17%	*
I am not aware of the story	56%	48%	63%	62%	57%	58%	46%	54%	64%	48%	*
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	*
Unweighted N	(1,117)	(523)	(594)	(290)	(300)	(305)	(222)	(736)	(143)	(168)	(70)

		Party ID			2024 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Region			
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Harris	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Very closely	4%	4%	2%	6%	4%	8%	3%	4%	7%	7%	3%	5%	3%
Fairly closely	12%	10%	10%	15%	11%	18%	8%	16%	15%	15%	7%	12%	14%
Not very closely	13%	11%	13%	16%	14%	16%	10%	14%	17%	16%	11%	13%	14%
I am aware of the story but am not following it	15%	19%	14%	12%	24%	16%	13%	18%	18%	15%	13%	15%	18%
I am not aware of the story	56%	55%	61%	50%	47%	42%	66%	48%	43%	48%	67%	55%	50%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	101%	100%	99%
Unweighted N	(1,117)	(377)	(425)	(315)	(448)	(376)	(438)	(302)	(259)	(196)	(244)	(417)	(260)

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2. Were Davie and Turness Right To Resign

And from what you have seen and heard, do you think the BBC's director general Tim Davie and CEO of News Deborah Turness were right or wrong to resign?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Right to resign	21%	28%	15%	12%	22%	23%	26%	21%	17%	27%	*
Wrong to resign	8%	9%	7%	7%	7%	8%	9%	8%	6%	12%	*
Don't know	71%	63%	78%	81%	71%	69%	64%	71%	77%	60%	*
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	*
Unweighted N	(1,116)	(523)	(593)	(289)	(298)	(305)	(224)	(738)	(143)	(166)	(69)

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Don't know	71%	76%	73%	63%	69%	55%	77%	66%	61%	63%	77%	70%	71%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	101%	99%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
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3. Is BBC Biased

Do you believe the BBC News is or is not politically biased?

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Yes - it is generally biased in favor of left-wing political views	25%	34%	17%	21%	19%	30%	30%	30%	5%	26%	*
Yes - it is generally biased in favor of right-wing political views	5%	4%	6%	7%	9%	3%	1%	4%	8%	10%	*
No - it is not politically biased	20%	25%	15%	21%	23%	16%	20%	21%	20%	15%	*
Don't know	50%	37%	62%	51%	49%	51%	48%	46%	68%	49%	*
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No - it is not politically biased	20%	32%	18%	9%	37%	10%	17%	22%	25%	21%	21%	15%	26%
Don't know	50%	52%	54%	42%	48%	33%	58%	46%	39%	44%	54%	56%	40%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	101%	100%	101%	101%	100%	100%	101%	101%
Unweighted N	(1,120)	(378)	(426)	(316)	(449)	(377)	(438)	(303)	(260)	(196)	(245)	(419)	(260)

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Should not apologize	38%	69%	36%	9%	69%	9%	36%	40%	38%	37%	33%	34%	48%
Don't know	24%	20%	31%	19%	18%	16%	27%	18%	20%	27%	28%	24%	17%
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