

YouGov / End Violence Against Women Survey Results

Sample Size: 2005 GB Adults
Fieldwork: 5th - 6th February 2026

	Vote in 2024 GE					EU Ref 2016		Gender		Age				Socio-economic classification (NS-SEC)			Country				
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	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

	5 - 6 Feb 25'	5 - 6 Feb 26'																			
Which of the following best reflects your view?																					
The government should be doing more to tackle the issue of violence against women and girls	73	73	74	72	72	79	75	73	73	68	77	82	67	74	78	73	71	74	73	72	77
The government is doing all it reasonably can to tackle the issue of violence against women and girls	14	12	12	13	12	9	7	13	12	17	8	11	13	12	11	14	12	10	12	9	13
Don't know	13	15	14	15	16	13	18	14	15	15	15	7	20	14	11	13	17	16	15	19	11
To what extent do you think the internet has become more safe or more dangerous for women and girls in the past 12 months, or has there been no change?																					
Much more safe	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Somewhat more safe	3	3	2	2	2	2	4	2	2	3	2	2	3	3	2	3	3	2	3	4	2
TOTAL MORE SAFE	4	3	3	2	2	3	5	2	3	3	2	3	4	3	2	4	4	2	3	4	2
Somewhat more dangerous	27	21	20	22	19	16	28	21	18	22	21	36	19	18	23	22	21	20	21	13	27
Much more dangerous	25	20	19	22	18	18	18	18	19	13	26	25	20	16	19	21	20	17	19	24	21
TOTAL MORE DANGEROUS	52	41	39	44	37	34	46	39	37	35	47	61	39	34	42	43	41	37	40	37	48
No change – the internet was safe for women and girls before and still is	6	8	13	5	4	15	1	6	11	11	4	3	9	9	7	7	7	9	7	8	10
No change – the internet was dangerous for women and girls before and still is	23	33	32	38	34	26	32	36	33	32	33	27	30	36	36	33	31	34	33	36	29
Don't know	15	16	13	11	24	22	15	16	16	18	14	6	19	18	13	14	17	17	16	15	12
When thinking about Artificial Intelligence (AI) in today's society, which of the following best reflects your view?																					
It has made it easier to harm women and girls online	49	44	56	54	39	63	53	40	44	53	71	47	46	45	53	48	44	49	40	51	
It has made it harder to harm women and girls online	2	2	2	0	1	2	1	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	2	1	1	2	3	2	
No difference – it was and is still easy to harm women and girls online	21	26	19	20	23	14	20	25	18	24	13	17	24	30	22	22	21	21	25	22	
No difference – it was and is still hard to harm women and girls online	5	4	4	5	10	2	3	7	7	3	4	6	5	3	4	6	6	5	6	5	
Don't know	23	24	19	21	28	19	22	26	29	18	11	28	24	21	20	23	28	24	26	20	

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The government should be doing more to tackle the issue of violence against women and girls	73	73	71	77	70	72
The government is doing all it reasonably can to tackle the issue of violence against women and girls	14	12	13	9	13	13
Don't know	13	15	16	13	17	15
To what extent do you think the internet has become more safe or more dangerous for women and girls in the past 12 months, or has there been no change?						
Much more safe	1	0	0	1	1	0
Somewhat more safe	3	3	3	2	3	3
TOTAL MORE SAFE	4	3	3	3	4	3
Somewhat more dangerous	27	21	19	25	24	20
Much more dangerous	25	20	21	21	14	19
TOTAL MORE DANGEROUS	52	41	40	46	38	39
No change – the internet was safe for women and girls before and still is	6	8	8	4	5	9
No change – the internet was dangerous for women and girls before and still is	23	33	34	31	33	33
Don't know	15	16	14	16	20	16

When thinking about Artificial Intelligence (AI) in today's society, which of the following best reflects your view?						
It has made it easier to harm women and girls online	49	46	50	48	51	
It has made it harder to harm women and girls online	2	1	2	2	1	
No difference – it was and is still easy to harm women and girls online	21	22	20	19	22	
No difference – it was and is still hard to harm women and girls online	5	5	4	3	5	
Don't know	23	25	23	28	21	

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	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

When thinking about regulation or laws around Artificial Intelligence (AI) for the protection of women and girls, which of the following best reflects your view?

More should be done in this area	72	72	80	81	59	79	77	68	65	79	77	68	71	78	76	74	68	71	80	76
Less should be done in this area	2	2	1	0	7	1	1	3	4	0	3	2	2	0	2	2	1	2	1	0
The current level is about right in this area	7	8	4	5	10	7	5	7	10	3	8	7	7	6	8	4	7	7	3	5
Don't know	19	18	16	13	24	14	17	22	21	18	12	22	20	16	14	20	23	20	16	19

Do you think society's expectations about what it means to be a man today has increased or decreased each of the following, or is there no real difference?

The levels of loneliness experienced by men and boys

Increased a great deal	19	14	17	18	20	23	16	19	22	15	28	23	14	11	15	17	20	18	23	24
Increased a fair amount	38	40	42	35	36	36	44	33	36	39	41	37	36	39	46	33	34	38	31	39
TOTAL INCREASED	57	54	59	53	56	59	60	52	58	54	69	60	50	50	61	50	54	56	54	63
No real difference	20	25	17	23	21	24	20	24	23	18	14	16	24	27	19	23	20	20	23	21
Decreased a fair amount	2	1	3	4	2	1	2	1	2	2	3	3	1	2	2	1	2	2	1	0
Decreased a great deal	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0
TOTAL DECREASED	3	2	3	5	3	1	2	2	3	2	3	4	1	3	2	2	2	3	2	0
Don't know	21	20	21	19	21	17	19	22	16	25	13	21	24	21	17	25	23	21	22	17

The rates of domestic abuse and sexual violence experienced by women and girls

Increased a great deal	16	13	15	11	21	17	13	17	11	21	23	14	15	17	12	18	16	16	18	14
Increased a fair amount	31	32	35	35	26	26	35	29	29	32	35	26	31	37	34	28	29	30	28	37
TOTAL INCREASED	47	45	50	46	47	43	48	46	40	53	58	40	46	54	46	46	45	46	46	51
No real difference	25	28	26	20	26	27	25	28	28	22	21	24	29	25	26	24	26	25	28	27
Decreased a fair amount	4	5	4	5	0	8	4	4	6	2	5	6	2	2	6	2	4	4	1	4
Decreased a great deal	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	2	0	1	1	1	1	0	1
TOTAL DECREASED	5	6	4	5	1	8	4	5	7	3	5	7	4	2	7	3	5	5	1	5
Don't know	24	21	20	29	26	23	23	22	25	22	17	30	22	18	20	27	25	24	25	18

Men's ability to handle rejection

Increased a great deal	5	4	5	5	9	4	5	6	4	6	7	5	4	6	5	5	5	5	7	4
Increased a fair amount	17	17	15	16	16	18	17	19	16	17	11	16	15	21	16	15	21	17	15	18
TOTAL INCREASED	22	21	20	21	25	22	22	25	20	23	18	21	19	27	21	20	26	22	22	22
No real difference	31	38	33	28	32	22	31	33	36	26	24	28	35	35	31	31	32	30	31	34
Decreased a fair amount	17	14	18	21	13	22	20	12	16	17	28	17	13	14	21	13	12	17	10	16
Decreased a great deal	8	4	8	6	4	14	7	6	7	9	12	10	7	3	8	7	7	8	5	9
TOTAL DECREASED	25	18	26	27	17	36	27	18	23	26	40	27	20	17	29	20	19	25	15	25
Don't know	23	23	21	23	26	20	21	24	21	26	19	24	26	21	18	28	24	23	31	20

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More should be done in this area	72	68	72	72	73
Less should be done in this area	2	2	1	4	2
The current level is about right in this area	7	6	10	4	7
Don't know	19	23	17	20	18

Do you think society's expectations about what it means to be a man today has increased or decreased each of the following, or is there no real difference?

The levels of loneliness experienced by men and boys

Increased a great deal	19	18	19	15	18
Increased a fair amount	38	36	38	37	39
TOTAL INCREASED	57	54	57	52	57
No real difference	20	18	18	24	21
Decreased a fair amount	2	3	2	3	1
Decreased a great deal	1	0	0	0	1
TOTAL DECREASED	3	3	2	3	2
Don't know	21	24	23	21	18

The rates of domestic abuse and sexual violence experienced by women and girls

Increased a great deal	16	18	17	13	15
Increased a fair amount	31	30	27	30	32
TOTAL INCREASED	47	48	44	43	47
No real difference	25	24	25	25	25
Decreased a fair amount	4	3	4	4	4
Decreased a great deal	1	0	1	1	1
TOTAL DECREASED	5	3	5	5	5
Don't know	24	24	25	28	23

Men's ability to handle rejection

Increased a great deal	5	5	5	4	6
Increased a fair amount	17	17	20	16	15
TOTAL INCREASED	22	22	25	20	21
No real difference	31	31	30	27	31
Decreased a fair amount	17	13	18	24	17
Decreased a great deal	8	9	5	9	8
TOTAL DECREASED	25	22	23	33	25
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Do you think gender equality has had a positive or negative impact on society's expectations about what it means to be a man today?

Very positive impact	6	1	9	8	2	19	9	2	7	6	13	7	5	4	9	3	5	6	7	3
Fairly positive impact	19	15	23	24	7	29	22	11	19	18	32	21	15	12	22	17	17	19	14	22
TOTAL POSITIVE IMPACT	25	16	32	32	9	48	31	13	26	24	45	28	20	16	31	20	22	25	21	25
Neither positive nor negative impact	33	33	36	36	26	25	37	32	27	38	26	28	38	38	30	37	33	32	45	35
Fairly negative impact	21	28	15	17	35	14	17	29	25	17	9	20	21	26	22	22	23	21	17	19
Very negative impact	8	11	4	3	20	3	4	13	12	4	6	7	9	8	8	8	8	8	5	7
TOTAL NEGATIVE IMPACT	29	39	19	20	55	17	21	42	37	21	15	27	30	34	30	30	31	29	22	26
Don't know	14	11	12	12	12	10	12	13	10	17	13	16	12	12	10	15	14	14	12	15

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Very positive impact	6	7	7	8	5
Fairly positive impact	19	20	15	21	19
TOTAL POSITIVE IMPACT	25	27	22	29	24
Neither positive nor negative impact	33	31	32	30	33
Fairly negative impact	21	19	24	19	21
Very negative impact	8	8	8	6	10
TOTAL NEGATIVE IMPACT	29	27	32	25	31
Don't know	14	16	13	16	11

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