

# YouGov / Eurotrack Survey Results

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<b>How well or badly would you say the government is doing at managing the cost of living?</b>															
	Very well	2	2	2	3	2	2	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	2
	Fairly well	14	13	16	16	13	14	30	28	17	18	23	21	21	18
	<b>TOTAL WELL</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>20</b>
	Fairly badly	32	31	34	35	41	40	36	37	39	40	37	36	37	38
	Very badly	43	47	41	39	34	38	20	22	34	32	32	37	29	34
	<b>TOTAL BADLY</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>72</b>
	Don't know	9	7	8	6	9	6	10	10	7	7	6	4	11	8
<b>Thinking about the cost of living, which of the following comes closest to your view?</b>															
	I have already had to make cuts to my usual spending, and expect to have to make further cuts	45	43	53	56	43	40	26	23	37	34	42	39	47	47
	I have already had to make cuts to my usual spending, but do not expect to make further cuts	17	18	13	13	18	20	34	35	22	22	22	26	21	24
	<b>TOTAL MADE CUTS</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>71</b>
	I have been able to maintain my usual spending so far, but expect to have to make cuts soon	18	18	22	19	18	19	13	13	19	19	20	20	18	18
	I have been able to maintain my usual spending so far, and expect to be able to continue to do so	13	16	7	7	14	15	23	25	17	21	13	12	7	7
	<b>TOTAL MAINTAINED USUAL SPENDING</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>
	Don't know	6	5	5	4	7	6	5	4	5	4	3	3	7	4

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		Weighted Sample	Unweighted Sample													
			%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%		
			11-12	15-16	12-20	12-16	18-24	19-23	5-11	10-17	5-10	10-15	12-17	12-15	5-17	11-23
			Apr	May	Apr	May	Apr	May	Apr	May	Apr	May	Apr	May	Apr	May
<b>Generally speaking, how often, if at all, have you struggled to afford the following in the past three months?</b>																
<b>Energy bills (e.g: home heating, electricity, etc)</b>																
	Always	9	9	11	10	10	10	6	6	6	7	8	5	16	17	
	Most of the time	16	11	20	16	13	13	9	9	7	8	12	12	25	23	
	Occasionally	22	24	24	27	24	24	24	21	21	17	26	28	26	27	
	Never	44	48	39	42	46	45	55	58	60	61	49	50	26	26	
	Not applicable – I do not spend money on this	7	5	3	4	3	4	3	3	3	5	4	4	3	5	
	Don't know	2	3	2	2	4	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	3	1	
<b>Food</b>																
	Always	7	6	11	11	10	10	6	5	9	8	7	5	12	12	
	Most of the time	13	10	23	21	15	14	7	10	9	9	10	12	21	21	
	Occasionally	28	29	31	33	29	30	22	22	23	23	24	24	31	31	
	Never	48	50	32	33	43	41	60	59	56	57	56	57	32	33	
	Not applicable – I do not spend money on this	2	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	2	2	2	1	2	
	Don't know	2	3	2	2	3	2	3	3	2	2	0	1	2	2	
<b>Fuel for my vehicle</b>																
	Always	5	5	11	9	7	6	4	4	6	6	6	7	12	11	
	Most of the time	10	8	19	17	11	12	5	6	9	9	11	9	19	18	
	Occasionally	21	23	25	28	23	22	17	16	17	15	23	28	30	29	
	Never	38	41	29	29	35	36	47	48	42	46	44	41	26	28	
	Not applicable – I do not spend money on this	22	21	14	15	20	22	24	24	23	23	16	15	10	12	
	Don't know	3	3	3	2	3	2	3	2	2	2	0	1	2	2	
<b>Rent/mortgage</b>																
	Always	4	5	9	8	7	7	5	3	7	6	6	5	11	9	
	Most of the time	7	6	12	10	8	9	5	6	7	7	10	8	14	13	
	Occasionally	12	11	16	18	15	15	13	13	14	15	19	15	17	16	
	Never	41	43	40	41	54	51	65	65	68	67	37	41	19	20	
	Not applicable – I do not spend money on this	33	31	21	21	13	14	9	9	3	3	27	28	36	39	
	Don't know	2	3	2	2	4	3	3	3	2	1	1	2	4	2	

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<b>Thinking about your finances, which of the following best reflects your position?</b>															
	I am very comfortable financially	5	5	1	3	6	6	14	14	6	5	4	5	2	2
	I am relatively comfortable financially	30	32	19	20	24	23	44	45	30	30	20	20	13	12
	<b>TOTAL FINANCIALLY COMFORTABLE</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>14</b>
	I do not often have money for luxuries, but can normally comfortably cover the essentials	41	40	42	43	37	35	28	28	40	40	47	49	39	42
	I can only just afford my costs and often struggle to make ends meet	16	15	28	24	24	29	10	10	19	20	22	19	35	32
	I cannot afford my costs, and often have to go without essentials like food and heating	5	4	7	8	5	5	2	1	3	3	6	5	8	10
	<b>TOTAL FINANCIALLY STRUGGLING</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>42</b>
	Don't know	3	4	3	2	4	3	2	3	2	2	1	1	3	2
<b>In 12 months' time, which one of the following, if any, do you think will most likely apply to the [COUNTRY] economy?</b>															
	It will be in a depression/recession	48	47	52	55	45	46	28	22	72	70	41	41	40	40
	It will remain stable	29	31	28	28	33	33	40	47	15	18	41	39	34	34
	It will be growing/booming	6	6	6	5	6	6	8	8	4	4	10	9	11	12
	Don't know	16	15	14	12	16	15	23	24	9	9	8	11	14	14