

YouGov / Freedom From Torture Survey Results

Sample Size: 1648 adults in GB
Fieldwork: 22nd - 23rd July 2020

	Vote in 2019			EU Ref 2016		Gender		Age				Social		Region					
	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Remain	Leave	Male	Female	18-24	25-49	50-64	65+	ABC1	C2DE	London	Rest of South	Midlands / Wales	North	Scotland	
Weighted Sample	1648	559	409	148	611	653	801	847	180	687	397	384	939	709	198	554	358	397	142
Unweighted Sample	1648	615	461	163	743	655	695	953	139	687	414	408	1002	646	161	568	367	408	144
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

In your view, do you think British soldiers should or should not be held accountable by the British courts for crimes they are accused of committing abroad?

Should be held accountable	53	35	72	68	69	38	51	54	52	61	50	41	58	46	60	50	53	50	57
Should not be held accountable	27	46	13	18	17	43	33	22	16	18	32	43	26	28	21	28	27	30	25
Don't know	20	19	15	14	14	19	16	24	32	21	18	16	16	26	19	22	20	20	18

In the circumstance that a British soldier is alleged to have committed a war crime more than ten years ago, do you think there should or should not be charges brought against them under British law for that crime?

There should be charges brought against them	43	26	65	51	58	29	42	44	48	51	40	29	47	38	58	41	44	38	41
There should not charges brought against them	34	57	17	25	23	51	39	30	20	23	41	54	36	33	21	38	34	38	32
Don't know	23	17	18	25	19	19	19	26	32	26	18	17	18	29	21	22	21	24	28

Do you think the British government's proposal to block prosecutions of war crimes allegedly committed 10 or more years ago will improve or damage Britain's international human rights record, or will there be no difference?

It will improve Britain's human rights record	6	6	5	4	3	7	5	6	7	5	7	5	6	5	3	5	5	8	6
It will damage Britain's human rights record	30	17	47	39	46	17	29	32	24	36	31	22	35	24	43	30	30	26	26
There will be no difference – Britain has a bad human rights record and still will	10	6	12	13	9	8	13	8	18	10	8	10	9	12	10	8	12	11	13
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Don't know	30	26	26	25	25	28	23	36	39	34	26	23	24	38	25	31	26	34	31

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How do you think a British soldier who is accused of committing crimes during a conflict abroad should be treated under British law compared to a civilian who is accused of committing the same crime in this country?

Treated more seriously	8	4	12	7	10	5	8	7	12	10	4	5	8	7	12	7	7	5	10
Treated the same	60	59	67	68	66	59	60	61	49	57	65	66	62	58	62	61	61	58	57
Treated less seriously	14	23	7	10	10	21	16	12	10	11	18	18	16	12	8	15	16	15	14
Don't know	18	13	15	15	14	16	16	20	29	22	13	11	14	23	17	17	16	22	19