

YouGov / 38 Degrees Laurence Janta-Lipinski Survey Results

Sample Size: 1405 English Adults from a sample of 1636 GB Adults
Fieldwork: 25th - 26th July 2018

	Vote in 2017			EU Ref 2016		Gender		Age				Social Grade		Region				
	Total	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Remain	Leave	Male	Female	18-24	25-49	50-64	65+	ABC1	C2DE	London	Rest of South	Midlands	North
Weighted Sample	1414	509	476	88	529	633	670	743	166	604	322	322	813	601	219	530	270	394
Unweighted Sample	1405	510	455	88	564	600	576	829	137	557	336	375	870	535	127	577	274	427
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

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From what you have seen or heard about the issue, do you think Britain should or should not extract shale gas using "fracking"?

Should	29	43	17	22	22	36	39	20	22	23	32	41	30	27	25	28	29	33
Should not	42	32	54	56	51	38	38	46	43	39	47	42	42	42	44	43	44	38
Don't know	29	24	29	22	27	26	23	34	35	38	21	17	27	31	32	29	27	29

Would you support or oppose new laws making it easier for companies to drill for shale gas?

Support	24	37	13	14	17	31	33	15	16	18	27	36	24	24	18	27	22	25
Oppose	44	34	57	65	54	39	40	48	47	42	47	45	44	44	47	45	49	39
Don't know	32	29	30	21	28	30	27	37	37	40	26	19	32	32	35	29	29	36

People in the North West of England are currently experiencing a hosepipe ban whilst fracking continues in the region. Do you think fracking companies should or should not be allowed to carry on using water during a hosepipe ban?

Should be allowed to continue fracking	15	22	9	15	14	16	20	10	14	11	18	20	16	12	15	15	13	16
Should NOT be allowed to continue fracking	69	65	76	76	74	68	66	71	62	67	72	71	68	70	66	70	72	66
Don't know	17	13	15	9	12	16	15	19	23	22	11	9	16	18	19	16	15	18

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Weighted Sample	1414	81	181	133	120	150	140	219	225	166
Unweighted Sample	1405	83	192	152	124	150	157	127	242	178
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Should not	42	29	41	38	56	35	46	44	40	46
Don't know	29	30	23	38	20	33	33	32	23	32

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Oppose	44	32	44	38	59	41	46	47	41	48
Don't know	32	38	33	39	24	33	34	35	24	30

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Don't know	17	17	18	18	13	16	21	19	14	14

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New research suggests that fracking could actually contribute to hosepipe bans and water shortages as it uses large quantities of water to extract gas. If fracking meant more frequent hosepipe bans in the future would that make you more or less likely to support fracking as an energy source or would it make no difference?

More likely to support fracking as an energy source	5	7	3	1	3	6	8	2	6	3	5	6	4	5	5	5	4	4
Less likely to support fracking as an energy source	33	37	31	32	33	34	35	31	30	35	34	31	35	31	35	30	33	36
No difference, I support fracking as an energy source now and still would	11	18	6	8	9	15	15	8	10	7	14	17	11	11	8	12	12	11
No difference, I do not support fracking as an energy source now and still would not	33	25	43	51	40	28	29	38	28	31	37	36	33	34	35	34	37	30
Don't know	18	13	17	9	15	17	14	21	26	24	11	9	17	19	18	19	13	19

Do you think local councils should or should not have a say in the decision making process on granting planning permission to companies who want to undertake exploratory fracking - a way to test suitability for further fracking - in an area?

Should	63	65	65	75	72	60	63	64	61	58	67	70	65	61	58	64	65	64
Should NOT	17	21	16	13	11	25	22	13	9	16	21	21	18	17	22	15	18	17
Don't know	19	14	18	12	17	15	15	23	30	25	12	9	17	22	20	21	16	19

And who do you think should make the final decision on whether planning permission is given to companies who want to undertake full scale fracking in an area?

National government	21	28	17	18	18	26	28	14	13	18	26	26	22	19	26	22	21	17
Local government	27	29	30	26	32	26	26	28	27	22	30	32	26	28	24	27	26	29
Both equally	39	35	40	50	39	37	37	42	36	41	38	38	39	39	37	37	45	40
Don't know	13	8	13	5	10	11	9	16	24	19	6	4	12	14	13	15	9	14

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More likely to support fracking as an energy source	5	4	5	3	2	6	4	5	8	2
Less likely to support fracking as an energy source	33	41	32	38	28	37	25	35	35	27
No difference, I support fracking as an energy source now and still would	11	16	13	5	9	15	11	8	12	13
No difference, I do not support fracking as an energy source now and still would not	33	25	31	30	47	29	36	35	28	40
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