

YouGov / NIESR Survey Results

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Fieldwork: 23rd - 24th August 2022

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	26-27 Feb '20	23-24 Aug '22													
On a scale of 0-10, where 0 means not interested at all and 10 means extremely interested, what is your level of interest in economic issues?															
0 - not interested at all	8	5	6	5	10	5	5	4	3	8	3	4	5	8	7
1	2	1	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	3	1	0	1	2
2	3	3	3	3	5	3	3	2	3	3	6	3	3	3	2
3	4	5	5	5	10	4	5	3	4	6	6	3	7	4	6
4	3	4	3	5	6	4	3	4	5	3	6	3	5	4	3
5	13	13	11	15	6	14	16	13	10	17	8	14	14	14	10
6	11	11	11	11	12	12	9	11	12	10	14	11	11	9	14
7	19	17	16	18	12	19	19	15	18	15	16	17	16	18	19
8	16	17	18	17	15	15	17	22	19	14	16	19	16	16	18
9	5	7	8	5	6	6	5	9	7	6	7	7	6	6	5
10 - extremely interested	13	12	15	9	7	10	15	15	15	8	10	14	12	11	11
Don't know	2	4	3	5	10	6	1	2	2	7	6	4	4	5	3

How would you describe your understanding of the following economic terms?

	26-27 Feb '20	23-24 Aug '22													
Inflation															
		<i>[shown to a random half of respondents. N=798]</i>													
Very good	12	17	23	11	16	10	18	27	20	12	11	18	17	15	20
Good	35	40	41	38	42	39	38	41	42	36	45	39	39	38	38
TOTAL GOOD	47	57	64	49	58	49	56	68	62	48	56	57	56	53	58
Neither good nor weak	29	25	19	30	15	26	31	19	23	27	17	26	25	27	23
Weak	12	11	9	12	13	13	8	8	10	11	12	10	11	10	10
Very weak	7	5	4	5	5	7	3	4	3	7	5	3	5	6	6
TOTAL WEAK	19	16	13	17	18	20	11	12	13	18	17	13	16	16	16
Don't know	5	3	4	3	8	4	3	1	2	6	8	3	3	3	2
Have never heard of it	2	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1

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Employment rate	Increased	26	29	24	13	23	33	32	30	22	21	27	28	24	31
	Stayed the same	22	24	21	14	21	25	26	22	23	19	25	20	22	21
	Decreased	29	29	29	45	32	24	23	31	28	34	29	29	30	22
	Don't know	19	17	22	25	22	16	16	16	24	25	16	21	18	25
	Not applicable - I'm not sure what this is	3	2	3	4	3	1	3	1	4	2	2	2	5	1
Job vacancies	Increased	53	54	53	38	45	64	63	60	44	46	56	55	50	54
	Stayed the same	15	16	14	15	16	11	16	14	15	13	15	14	17	14
	Decreased	14	14	15	22	15	13	11	13	16	20	14	11	16	14
	Don't know	16	16	17	22	21	11	9	11	23	20	14	18	15	18
	Not applicable - I'm not sure what this is	2	1	2	2	2	1	1	1	3	1	2	2	2	0
Inflation rate	Increased	85	87	83	71	81	91	92	90	78	80	88	86	84	81
	Stayed the same	3	3	2	5	3	2	2	2	3	4	2	3	2	5
	Decreased	1	1	1	5	1	1	0	1	2	1	1	1	2	2
	Don't know	9	8	10	13	13	5	4	6	13	12	8	9	8	10
	Not applicable - I'm not sure what this is	2	1	3	5	2	1	1	1	3	2	2	2	4	0
Interest rate	Increased	77	80	75	57	74	88	83	82	71	73	81	75	77	76
	Stayed the same	5	5	5	8	4	3	6	4	6	6	4	5	5	8
	Decreased	5	4	5	11	5	3	4	5	5	4	4	6	6	3
	Don't know	11	10	12	21	15	5	6	8	15	16	9	13	8	12
	Not applicable - I'm not sure what this is	2	1	3	3	2	1	1	1	3	1	2	2	3	1

To the best of your knowledge, what do you think the current UK inflation rate is, according to the Office for National Statistics (ONS).

[Asked to a random half of the sample; n=1005]

[See Tab1]

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[Asked to a random half of the sample; n=1002]

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-30% or more	3	3	3	6	4	1	1	1	5	3	2	2	5	3
-29%	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	2
-28%	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
-27%	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
-26%	2	2	2	4	2	1	0	2	1	4	0	3	3	1
-25%	1	1	2	2	2	1	0	1	2	0	1	2	3	0
-24%	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1
-23%	1	1	1	4	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	1	0
-22%	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
-21%	1	1	1	3	1	0	1	0	2	1	1	1	0	5
-20%	2	1	2	2	3	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	3	0
-19%	1	1	0	0	0	1	2	1	1	2	1	0	0	0
-18%	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	2	2	2	1	2
-17%	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
-16%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
-15%	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	0	1	2
-14%	1	2	1	5	1	1	1	2	0	3	1	0	2	1
-13%	2	2	1	2	2	2	2	1	3	1	3	2	1	2
-12%	3	2	4	2	4	1	3	3	3	2	3	3	3	8
-11%	5	5	6	2	3	7	9	6	5	3	7	4	5	7
-10%	12	14	10	1	7	15	23	13	10	7	13	11	11	16
-9%	3	4	2	1	1	6	3	3	4	1	3	1	5	3
-8%	1	2	1	1	1	0	3	1	1	4	1	1	1	3
-7%	1	1	1	0	0	2	1	1	1	2	1	0	1	1
-6%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
-5%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
-4%	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
-3%	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
-2%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
-1%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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

26-27 Feb '20
23-24 Aug '22

To the best of your knowledge, what do you think the current UK unemployment rate is, according to the Office for National Statistics (ONS).

[Asked to a random half of the sample; n=1011]

[See Tab2]

To the best of your knowledge, what do you think the current UK unemployment rate is, according to the Office for National Statistics (ONS).

[Asked to a random half of the sample; n=996]

0%	1	1	1	0	2	1	0	1	2	0	1	1	2	2
1%	1	1	1	0	1	2	0	1	1	0	2	1	0	2
2%	3	2	3	3	2	6	1	4	2	3	2	1	3	6
3%	7	9	5	1	6	8	10	8	6	6	8	9	6	5
4%	11	15	8	11	7	14	16	14	8	6	11	14	11	11
5%	9	10	8	7	9	10	9	10	7	13	9	6	9	10
6%	3	4	3	1	5	2	2	3	4	4	3	4	4	2
7%	3	4	3	4	3	3	5	3	4	3	4	3	4	2
8%	2	3	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	1	3	2	2	1
9%	1	1	1	0	2	3	1	1	2	1	1	2	2	1
10%	5	4	5	7	4	5	3	5	4	7	4	7	4	1
11%	1	1	1	0	2	0	1	1	1	1	1	2	0	0
12%	2	1	2	1	2	2	2	1	3	2	2	2	1	2
13%	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	2
14%	1	1	1	0	1	0	2	1	1	0	1	0	1	1
15%	3	3	4	9	3	2	3	4	3	6	4	3	3	2
16%	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
17%	1	2	0	5	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	3	1
18%	1	1	1	0	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	2	2	0
19%	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0
20%	2	2	2	1	4	0	3	1	3	4	3	1	2	1
21%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
22%	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
23%	1	1	0	2	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	4
24%	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
25%	2	1	3	3	2	1	1	2	2	3	1	2	1	3
26%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
27%	1	1	1	2	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	2
28%	1	1	1	3	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0
29%	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
30% or more	3	2	5	7	4	2	3	4	3	3	2	8	3	3
Don't know	32	29	34	30	32	33	30	28	37	34	32	28	32	37

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

26-27 Feb '20

23-24 Aug '22

To the best of your knowledge, what do you think the current hourly National Living Wage is, for workers aged 23 and over?

[Asked to a random half of the sample; n=998]
[See Tab3]

To the best of your knowledge, what do you think the current hourly National Living Wage is, for workers aged 23 and over?

[Asked to a random half of the sample; n=1009]

£9.20 per hour	16	12	19	21	17	13	14	14	17	14	16	15	14	21
£9.50 per hour	27	25	29	32	28	28	21	25	30	22	26	26	29	33
£9.80 per hour	22	23	21	19	20	25	25	23	20	11	23	25	25	16
£10.10 per hour	10	13	6	9	9	8	13	11	8	14	10	9	7	8
£10.40 per hour	10	9	11	5	11	12	9	11	8	10	11	8	11	11
£10.70 per hour	7	8	6	4	5	9	10	7	7	11	7	7	5	3
Don't know	9	10	8	9	11	6	9	9	9	17	6	9	8	9

What option, if any, do you think explains what it means when the inflation rate is 10.1%?

Wages have risen by 10.1%	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0
Prices have risen by 10.1%	68	73	63	59	63	73	77	75	59	64	72	67	64	70
The economy has grown by 10.1%	1	1	2	2	1	2	1	1	2	0	2	1	2	1
The government budget has grown by 10.1%	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	2	1
Interest rates have risen by 10.1%	6	5	6	8	8	4	3	5	7	8	4	4	8	7
Trade has risen by 10.1%	1	1	1	2	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	2	1
None of the above	6	5	6	5	6	6	5	6	6	8	6	6	4	4
Don't know	17	13	21	23	20	13	13	11	25	18	15	18	18	16

According to figures from the Office of National Statistics (ONS), the current annual UK inflation rate is 10.1%.

How accurately, if at all, do you think this reflects how prices have changed during the year?

Very accurately	10	9	12	9	13	9	8	10	10	9	11	14	9	5
Fairly accurately	48	49	47	53	44	48	53	53	42	49	51	45	49	43
TOTAL ACCURATELY	58	58	59	62	57	57	61	63	52	58	62	59	58	48
Not very accurately	21	21	20	11	18	26	24	21	20	16	21	21	20	28
Not at all accurately	5	6	5	2	6	7	5	5	6	6	5	5	6	5
TOTAL NOT ACCURATELY	26	27	25	13	24	33	29	26	26	22	26	26	26	33
Don't know	16	15	16	25	20	11	9	11	22	20	13	16	16	19

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According to the figures from the Office for National Statistics (ONS), the current UK unemployment rate is 3.8%.
How accurately, if at all, do you think this reflects the UK unemployment level today?

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[shown to a random third of respondents. N=587]

Very accurately	3	3	4	3	5	3	5	2	4	2	4	3	5	2	3
Fairly accurately	31	32	34	30	31	28	33	38	35	27	24	35	36	27	33
TOTAL ACCURATE	34	35	38	33	36	31	38	40	39	29	28	38	41	29	36
Not very accurately	26	23	22	23	19	21	22	28	23	22	26	24	20	22	21
Not at all accurately	16	6	7	5	7	6	6	5	5	7	6	5	5	8	7
TOTAL NOT ACCURATE	42	29	29	28	26	27	28	33	28	29	32	29	25	30	28
Don't know	23	36	33	39	38	41	34	28	31	42	40	33	33	41	36

Having read this information, which of the following comes closest to your view about current UK unemployment?

Unemployment seems much higher than 3.8%	30	24	22	26	18	27	23	24	22	27	21	23	24	28	27
Unemployment seems slightly higher than 3.8%	21	16	15	17	17	14	17	18	17	14	19	16	14	15	15
TOTAL HIGHER	51	40	37	43	35	41	40	42	39	41	40	39	38	43	42
3.8% sounds about right	24	27	29	25	25	23	32	29	30	22	20	29	32	24	24
Unemployment seems slightly lower than 3.8%	3	4	5	3	7	2	4	6	5	3	8	4	3	3	4
Unemployment seems much lower than 3.8%	1	1	1	1	0	2	0	1	1	1	2	1	1	0	1
TOTAL LOWER	4	5	6	4	7	4	4	7	6	4	10	5	4	3	5
Don't know	21	28	28	28	32	32	24	22	24	33	32	26	26	30	29

What option, if any, do you think explains what it means when the economic inactivity rate is 21.4%?

21.4% of people aged 16-64 do not have a job	10	10	10	9	11	9	9	11	9	16	9	10	9	7
21.4% of people aged 16-64 are not spending money	16	17	15	18	19	14	12	17	15	14	18	17	13	19
21.4% of people aged 16-64 do not have a job, and are not actively looking for one	22	26	18	19	19	26	24	27	15	25	22	21	20	18
21.4% of people aged 16-64 are on benefits	4	3	4	6	4	3	3	3	4	4	3	4	4	3
21.4% of people aged 16-64 have never worked or paid income tax	7	7	8	8	10	5	4	7	7	7	6	8	8	10
None of the above	2	2	2	1	2	3	2	2	3	2	3	2	3	1
Don't know	39	36	43	40	36	38	46	33	48	34	39	39	42	41

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Which interest rate do you think would be best for a couple who:
takes out a loan to buy a house?

transfers money into their savings account each month?

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Interest rate is 1.0%	72	76	78	74	66	73	84	79	82	69	77	78	74	74	77
Interest rate is 3.0%	13	9	11	8	12	10	7	9	9	10	7	10	10	9	12
Don't know	15	15	11	18	22	17	9	12	9	22	17	12	16	17	11
Interest rate is 1.0%	11	6	6	6	13	6	4	4	5	7	3	6	6	5	8
Interest rate is 3.0%	75	80	82	78	63	77	87	87	86	72	79	83	78	79	80
Don't know	14	14	12	16	24	18	9	9	9	21	18	11	16	16	12