

YouGov / Rhodes Trust Survey Results

Sample Size: 500 adults in South Africa
Fieldwork: 14th - 20th March 2023

2023																	
		Gender		Age					Region								
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55+	Eastern Cape	Free State	Gauteng	KwaZulu-Natal	Limpopo	Mpumalanga	North West	Northern Cape	Western Cape
Weighted Sample	500	246	254	91	146	101	68	94	64	27	119	99	52	39	34	11	56
Unweighted Sample	500	252	248	90	153	107	71	79	55	27	124	104	49	35	36	11	59
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Thinking back to the COVID-19 pandemic, do you think that wealthier governments from around the world generally offered enough support to South Africa to help with the pandemic, or should they have done more?

Offered enough support	49	47	51	37	46	48	55	61	53	65	48	47	47	55	37	45	48
Should have done more	44	46	42	54	47	48	34	34	40	32	48	43	48	39	46	55	47
Don't know	7	7	7	8	7	5	11	5	7	3	4	10	6	6	16	0	5

How worried, if at all, do you feel about the risk of a future pandemic?

Very worried	43	46	39	45	54	50	35	21	49	42	39	42	53	43	44	64	30
Fairly worried	32	27	36	38	28	29	34	33	26	38	38	33	20	26	42	0	37
TOTAL WORRIED	75	73	75	83	82	79	69	54	75	80	77	75	73	69	86	64	67
Not very worried	19	19	18	12	13	16	14	38	18	16	15	21	15	20	8	27	29
Not at all worried	6	7	6	5	4	4	16	7	8	4	8	2	10	11	5	9	3
TOTAL NOT WORRIED	25	26	24	17	17	20	30	45	26	20	23	23	25	31	13	36	32
Don't know	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0

Thinking about politicians in South Africa how seriously, if at all, do you think they are taking the threat of future pandemics?

Very seriously	20	24	16	25	24	27	12	7	25	24	21	14	22	32	24	18	8
Fairly seriously	21	24	18	23	18	26	25	14	17	35	25	23	23	14	14	9	14
TOTAL SERIOUSLY	41	48	34	48	42	53	37	21	42	59	46	37	45	46	38	27	22
Not very seriously	33	28	37	32	27	30	27	47	36	18	29	34	38	25	35	10	43
Not at all seriously	24	22	25	18	26	16	33	25	19	23	20	26	13	23	24	63	33
TOTAL NOT SERIOUSLY	57	50	62	50	53	46	60	72	55	41	49	60	51	48	59	73	76
Don't know	3	3	4	1	4	1	3	7	3	0	5	3	4	6	3	0	2

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Thinking about how future pandemics might be tackled, do you think governments around the world should generally be doing more or less in each of the following areas, or do you think they are currently doing enough?

Investing in their own healthcare system's ability to respond to a future pandemic

Should be doing more	77	76	79	77	77	71	86	79	82	82	72	74	73	62	84	91	94
Should be doing less	10	11	10	12	12	11	13	4	7	7	13	11	12	20	8	9	2
Currently doing enough	10	12	8	10	9	14	1	14	9	7	11	13	10	18	8	0	5
Don't know	2	1	3	1	2	4	0	3	2	3	3	2	5	0	0	0	0

Working together with other governments to give early warning of threats from diseases around the world

Should be doing more	78	74	82	75	75	82	82	80	86	75	79	74	67	80	81	91	82
Should be doing less	7	8	6	6	9	5	10	4	2	11	9	6	9	9	8	0	3
Currently doing enough	12	16	9	16	14	8	8	13	9	11	9	15	22	11	8	9	13
Don't know	3	3	3	3	3	4	0	3	3	3	3	6	2	0	3	0	2

Working together with other governments to prevent diseases spreading around the world

Should be doing more	80	78	82	76	78	77	84	87	86	83	79	79	70	69	75	91	92
Should be doing less	8	9	7	8	11	8	8	3	2	4	11	7	14	12	14	0	2
Currently doing enough	10	12	8	13	9	12	7	7	10	10	6	11	14	20	11	9	5
Don't know	2	1	3	2	2	3	0	3	3	3	3	2	2	0	0	0	2

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And now thinking specifically about wealthier governments, do you think they should generally be doing more or less in the following areas to help low and middle-income countries with their approach to future pandemics, or do you think they are currently doing enough?

Sharing access to vaccines during emergencies

Should be doing more	72	74	69	70	68	71	82	72	81	80	69	66	66	69	64	91	80
Should be doing less	8	8	8	7	12	8	8	3	5	4	9	11	6	12	11	9	3
Currently doing enough	17	16	19	22	14	17	8	25	12	13	19	17	26	17	19	0	15
Don't know	3	2	4	1	6	4	1	0	2	3	3	5	2	3	5	0	2

Supporting low- and middle-income countries to develop their own vaccines

Should be doing more	76	77	76	77	74	74	81	80	84	78	74	70	73	77	70	82	90
Should be doing less	9	9	8	12	10	8	7	5	5	11	12	7	6	12	22	9	2
Currently doing enough	11	10	12	8	9	13	8	15	9	3	12	17	17	11	5	0	3
Don't know	4	4	4	2	7	4	4	0	2	8	3	6	4	0	3	9	5

**Any percentages calculated on bases fewer than 100 respondents do not represent a wide enough cross-section of the target population to be considered statistically reliable. These figures should not be used.*