

YouGov / SAPRS Survey Results

Sample Size: 2078 Adults in GB

Fieldwork: 17th - 18th December 2024

	Vote in 2024 GE				EU Ref 2016		Gender		Age				Social Grade		Country			Region in England					
	Total	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Reform UK	Remain	Leave	Male	Female	18-24	25-49	50-64	65+	ABC1	C2DE	England	Wales	Scotland	North	Midlands	London	Rest of South	
Weighted Sample	2078	374	534	191	224	732	774	1006	1072	218	858	513	488	1184	894	1797	100	181	492	341	251	713	
Unweighted Sample	2078	336	602	215	283	870	760	927	1151	123	790	563	602	1243	835	1781	107	190	515	346	219	701	
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Generally speaking, do you think the university sector in the UK is in a good or a bad state overall?

Very good state	1	1	1	0	2	0	1	1	1	3	1	0	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	1
Fairly good state	23	23	25	21	20	25	20	23	23	33	21	21	24	25	20	23	26	23	25	23	24	21
TOTAL GOOD STATE	24	24	26	21	22	25	21	24	24	36	22	21	25	26	21	24	28	24	26	25	25	22
Fairly bad state	40	41	43	53	33	46	38	40	41	40	40	45	36	42	38	40	38	42	39	39	33	44
Very bad state	14	14	11	11	25	11	18	15	13	12	15	14	15	14	14	15	15	9	16	12	20	14
TOTAL BAD STATE	54	55	54	64	58	57	56	55	54	52	55	59	51	56	52	55	53	51	55	51	53	58
Don't know	21	20	19	15	20	17	23	21	22	12	23	20	24	18	26	21	20	25	19	23	22	21

How much, if at all, do you think the UK Government cares about students?

Care a lot	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	2	1	4	1	1	1	1	2	2	0	0	1	2	2	2
Care a fair amount	17	15	22	12	12	18	13	20	15	28	16	15	17	19	15	18	12	15	18	17	19	18
TOTAL CARE	18	16	23	13	15	19	14	22	16	32	17	16	18	20	17	20	12	15	19	19	21	20
Do not care very much	47	51	47	60	42	52	48	44	50	40	46	49	50	50	43	47	50	46	44	46	47	49
Do not care at all	19	17	14	14	27	15	21	20	19	23	22	18	15	16	24	19	22	20	21	18	19	18
TOTAL DO NOT CARE	66	68	61	74	69	67	69	64	69	63	68	67	65	66	67	66	72	66	65	64	66	67
Don't know	15	16	16	13	16	14	17	14	16	6	15	17	17	15	16	15	16	19	16	16	14	13

From autumn 2025, undergraduate tuition fees in England are set to rise by £284 per year to £9,535.

What impact, if any, do you think this change will have on the number of young people attending university?

Significantly more young people will attend university	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	4	0
Slightly more young people will attend university	2	2	4	1	0	2	1	2	2	6	2	1	1	2	2	2	0	3	2	3	3	1
TOTAL MORE	3	3	5	1	1	3	2	3	3	7	4	2	1	3	3	3	0	3	3	4	7	1
The same number of young people will attend university	35	39	39	35	40	39	36	40	31	34	33	41	35	39	31	36	32	34	37	36	27	38
Slightly fewer young people will attend university	31	30	33	39	27	36	27	31	32	36	31	29	32	33	29	31	34	36	31	28	31	32
Significantly fewer young people will attend university	20	17	16	16	22	16	24	14	25	17	20	19	23	17	24	20	24	15	19	22	24	19
TOTAL FEWER	51	47	49	55	49	52	51	45	57	53	51	48	55	50	53	51	58	51	50	50	55	51
Don't know	10	11	8	8	10	7	10	11	9	6	12	10	9	7	14	10	11	12	10	10	12	9

*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.