

YouGov/ Sky Survey Results

Sample Size: 2128 GB Adults

Fieldwork: 23rd - 24th August 2026

	Vote in 2024 GE						EU Ref 2016		Gender		Age				Socio-economic classification (NS-SEC)			Country			Region in England			
	Total	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Reform UK	Green	Remain	Leave	Male	Female	18-24	25-49	50-64	65+	Higher	Intermediate	Routine	England	Wales	Scotland	North	Midlands	London	Rest of South
Weighted Sample	2128	383	547	196	230	123	747	760	1028	1100	223	877	526	502	721	477	636	1841	102	185	504	349	257	730
Unweighted Sample	2128	325	575	201	248	126	856	731	937	1191	169	758	608	593	838	466	506	1792	144	192	496	356	173	767
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

For the following political parties, can you say whether you consider their approach to crime and punishment to be too harsh, too soft or about right?

The Conservative Party

Too harsh	14	1	25	25	0	29	23	3	17	11	29	12	12	13	17	13	7	14	12	14	14	10	21	14
About right	25	49	20	26	30	9	23	31	28	21	23	18	26	35	30	26	21	25	20	23	19	24	25	29
Too soft	28	37	23	15	56	14	19	44	34	23	10	25	36	33	25	27	36	28	31	29	31	31	23	26
Don't know	34	14	32	35	14	47	34	22	21	45	38	45	27	19	28	34	36	33	37	33	36	34	32	32

The Labour Party

Too harsh	3	2	3	6	1	8	3	2	3	3	4	4	2	1	3	3	3	3	3	1	3	2	5	3
About right	23	10	44	34	4	33	38	9	27	20	35	21	24	21	30	23	14	23	17	27	24	21	28	23
Too soft	47	76	31	32	85	24	33	73	55	41	24	39	56	63	46	47	58	48	51	44	48	51	42	48
Don't know	26	12	22	28	9	35	26	16	15	36	38	35	17	15	22	27	26	26	29	27	26	25	26	26

The Liberal Democrats

Too harsh	1	0	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	0	2	1	1	1
About right	19	10	29	48	5	24	32	8	22	17	34	16	18	19	24	21	10	19	17	22	16	15	24	22
Too soft	33	56	22	18	72	13	21	56	44	23	14	26	41	48	34	33	39	33	35	33	33	35	30	34
Don't know	46	33	48	33	23	59	46	36	33	59	50	57	40	32	41	45	49	46	47	44	50	49	45	43

Reform UK

Too harsh	25	13	39	43	1	42	38	10	29	21	46	25	20	22	32	23	14	25	19	27	25	19	33	26
About right	27	47	14	13	69	5	14	47	32	22	13	20	32	39	29	26	30	27	30	24	26	25	26	28
Too soft	9	12	6	5	13	4	6	14	11	7	0	9	11	10	6	8	13	8	11	10	8	13	5	7
Don't know	39	29	40	40	17	49	41	29	29	50	40	47	36	30	34	42	42	40	40	39	41	43	35	39

The Green Party

Too harsh	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1
About right	15	5	21	22	2	39	23	6	17	13	32	16	13	9	15	15	12	15	10	15	16	14	15	16
Too soft	40	57	30	34	76	14	29	57	51	29	29	34	45	49	41	37	43	39	38	45	38	39	38	41
Don't know	44	36	47	43	21	47	47	36	32	56	39	49	42	42	43	47	44	45	52	40	45	46	46	42

From what you know about the current plans to release some prisoners early, generally speaking, how well or badly do you think Andy Burnham has been handling this?

Very well	3	2	5	2	1	4	3	2	3	2	6	2	2	2	3	3	2	2	6	3	2	2	4	2
Fairly well	27	18	45	41	6	32	39	17	29	26	42	22	30	28	32	29	20	28	25	28	34	26	28	24
TOTAL WELL	30	20	50	43	7	36	42	19	32	28	48	24	32	30	35	32	22	30	31	31	36	28	32	26
Fairly badly	23	33	18	29	26	19	23	28	22	25	16	21	27	27	24	26	22	24	16	25	22	22	19	27
Very badly	22	38	9	7	58	11	11	39	27	18	8	19	25	33	20	22	28	23	18	19	21	25	21	24

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TOTAL BADLY	45	71	27	36	84	30	34	67	49	43	24	40	52	60	44	48	50	47	34	44	43	47	40	51	
Don't know	24	10	23	20	10	33	24	15	18	30	29	36	17	9	21	20	28	24	34	25	21	25	28	23	

Generally speaking, how well or badly do you think Andy Burnham is managing the response to the wildfires in the UK?

Very well	6	4	12	6	0	6	8	4	7	6	8	6	6	6	7	6	6	6	9	4	9	5	7	4
Fairly well	36	28	52	51	18	30	47	28	36	36	43	34	38	37	42	38	30	36	37	38	38	38	36	34
TOTAL WELL	42	32	64	57	18	36	55	32	43	42	51	40	44	43	49	44	36	42	46	42	47	43	43	38
Fairly badly	18	29	9	14	28	20	13	24	17	18	16	16	16	23	18	18	19	18	18	17	17	18	15	19
Very badly	12	16	6	5	30	13	7	21	16	9	7	11	14	16	11	12	15	13	10	12	12	11	11	14
TOTAL BADLY	30	45	15	19	58	33	20	45	33	27	23	27	30	39	29	30	34	31	28	29	29	29	26	33
Don't know	27	23	21	24	24	33	25	24	23	31	26	33	26	18	23	26	30	27	26	29	24	29	31	28

*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.