

# YouGov / The Sun Survey Results

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Which of the following, if any, are the most important priorities for your family?  
Please tick up to three.

Reducing bills/tackling inflation	60	57	68	58	64	57	56	63	56	66	58	52	60	59	59	69	56	59	63	53	61
Fixing NHS backlogs	53	52	63	63	63	51	48	57	39	47	59	62	55	50	52	56	54	50	54	46	55
Growing the economy	25	30	24	26	29	25	28	23	20	23	29	28	28	21	25	18	31	23	26	28	24
Stopping people coming to the UK in small boats	23	44	6	11	9	44	24	23	6	12	29	44	19	29	24	24	19	27	23	12	26
Cutting crime	23	28	19	19	18	28	21	24	17	20	26	26	22	23	23	20	17	25	23	25	22
Education	20	13	27	28	27	13	16	24	25	29	13	10	23	16	20	24	21	17	21	26	20
Tax	14	15	11	11	12	15	16	12	18	16	13	8	13	14	14	14	14	13	14	10	14
Reaching net zero	12	4	21	19	21	3	12	11	15	13	12	8	15	8	12	10	15	9	10	17	12
Britain leaving the EU	11	11	12	14	13	12	13	9	6	6	15	16	11	10	10	11	14	10	11	11	10
Defence and security	9	15	4	9	6	14	11	7	6	6	10	15	9	9	9	5	8	10	7	10	
Welfare benefits	9	6	12	5	9	7	10	9	11	10	8	8	7	13	9	13	10	10	8	12	8
Transport	6	2	7	7	6	3	6	5	14	5	4	3	6	5	6	2	5	4	5	11	5
None of these	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	3	1	0	1	2	2	1	2	2	1	2	2
Don't know	4	2	2	1	2	2	4	4	13	5	2	2	3	6	5	2	4	6	4	7	3

To what extent do you support or oppose the government's commitment to cutting carbon emissions to net zero by 2050?

Strongly support	28	15	41	45	43	14	26	30	46	31	24	19	34	20	28	27	25	24	30	32	29
Tend to support	37	39	39	37	36	39	36	38	27	35	41	41	38	35	37	40	34	37	38	39	36
<b>TOTAL SUPPORT</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>65</b>
Tend to oppose	12	17	6	8	8	18	15	9	6	10	11	18	10	14	11	12	17	12	11	6	12
Strongly oppose	7	14	2	2	3	13	10	4	4	5	10	10	7	8	7	7	10	6	7	5	8
<b>TOTAL OPPOSE</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>20</b>
Don't know	16	15	11	8	10	17	13	20	18	20	14	12	12	22	17	14	14	20	14	18	15
<b>NET SUPPORT</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>45</b>

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**Which of the following best reflects your view?**

The government should continue to take actions to help the UK reach net zero carbon emissions, even if this increases the cost of living	<b>20</b>	12	30	32	32	11	20	20	22	20	20	20	26	13	20	15	23	18	17	29	21
The government should prioritise keeping down the cost of living over taking actions to help the UK reach net zero carbon emissions	<b>62</b>	76	52	50	52	75	63	60	52	59	64	67	57	67	60	75	66	63	61	51	61
Not sure	<b>18</b>	12	18	18	16	14	17	19	25	21	16	13	17	20	19	10	11	19	22	20	18

**Do you think it is or is not possible for the UK to reach net zero carbon emissions without increasing the cost of living?**

It is possible without increasing the cost of living	<b>37</b>	27	52	41	45	27	38	36	50	42	36	23	40	33	37	35	38	34	35	45	36
It is not possible without increasing the cost of living	<b>37</b>	53	27	33	32	51	42	33	24	29	40	55	37	38	37	37	43	39	36	30	38
Don't know	<b>26</b>	21	21	25	23	22	21	31	26	29	24	22	24	29	26	29	20	27	29	25	26

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To what extent do you approve or disapprove of each of the following?  
The government investing in hydrogen production funded by a levy on people's energy bills

Strongly approve	9	7	13	12	13	6	13	6	18	10	7	8	11	8	10	6	10	7	8	16	10
Somewhat approve	24	24	26	31	29	21	28	20	30	24	23	23	27	21	24	26	24	22	28	28	23
<b>TOTAL APPROVE</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>33</b>
Somewhat disapprove	21	26	19	21	21	23	20	21	14	20	25	21	22	20	21	21	19	20	23	17	22
Strongly disapprove	20	27	17	11	16	29	21	18	7	16	25	27	19	21	19	24	28	23	17	13	18
<b>TOTAL DISAPPROVE</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>40</b>
Don't know	26	16	25	25	22	21	17	34	31	31	21	20	23	30	27	24	19	28	24	27	27
<b>NET APPROVAL</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>-22</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>-25</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-13</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>-20</b>	<b>-17</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>-12</b>	<b>-6</b>	<b>-13</b>	<b>-13</b>	<b>-14</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>-7</b>

Banning the sale of new gas boilers from 2025

Strongly approve	12	7	17	14	14	7	13	10	22	13	8	8	14	9	12	6	9	10	9	18	13
Somewhat approve	20	14	27	34	30	12	22	19	29	24	17	14	23	16	20	25	16	19	24	24	19
<b>TOTAL APPROVE</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>32</b>
Somewhat disapprove	22	24	20	22	21	24	22	22	18	17	26	26	21	23	21	22	23	21	23	17	22
Strongly disapprove	25	41	14	11	17	40	29	21	6	18	32	38	24	27	24	30	33	28	25	15	23
<b>TOTAL DISAPPROVE</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>45</b>
Don't know	22	14	22	19	17	17	15	28	26	28	18	13	18	26	22	16	19	21	20	26	23
<b>NET APPROVAL</b>	<b>-15</b>	<b>-44</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>-45</b>	<b>-16</b>	<b>-14</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-33</b>	<b>-42</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>-25</b>	<b>-13</b>	<b>-21</b>	<b>-31</b>	<b>-20</b>	<b>-15</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>-13</b>

Banning the sale of new petrol and diesel cars from 2030

Strongly approve	15	7	25	21	23	7	17	13	23	18	13	9	17	12	15	12	17	15	12	22	14
Somewhat approve	22	16	28	29	29	15	21	22	28	24	18	17	24	19	23	13	15	18	26	28	22
<b>TOTAL APPROVE</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>36</b>
Somewhat disapprove	23	25	20	29	21	25	22	23	19	19	27	26	22	23	22	27	23	24	23	13	23
Strongly disapprove	27	45	14	10	18	42	30	24	10	21	33	38	25	30	26	32	33	27	25	16	29
<b>TOTAL DISAPPROVE</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>52</b>
Don't know	14	8	13	11	9	11	10	18	20	18	9	10	12	17	14	16	12	15	13	20	12
<b>NET APPROVAL</b>	<b>-13</b>	<b>-47</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>-45</b>	<b>-14</b>	<b>-12</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-29</b>	<b>-38</b>	<b>-6</b>	<b>-22</b>	<b>-10</b>	<b>-34</b>	<b>-24</b>	<b>-18</b>	<b>-10</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>-16</b>

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**Government banning any new oil and gas developments in the North Sea**

Strongly approve	19	8	34	27	31	7	21	18	36	21	16	12	23	15	20	16	19	18	18	27	19
Somewhat approve	20	17	25	28	26	16	17	23	25	23	18	14	22	16	21	22	11	16	25	23	21
<b>TOTAL APPROVE</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>40</b>
Somewhat disapprove	20	25	14	23	17	25	22	17	10	17	23	26	20	20	19	17	26	20	18	14	22
Strongly disapprove	19	34	8	5	10	33	27	12	6	11	24	33	17	22	18	22	29	22	16	12	17
<b>TOTAL DISAPPROVE</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>39</b>
Don't know	22	16	19	18	16	20	13	30	23	27	19	15	19	26	23	23	15	24	23	24	21
<b>NET APPROVAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-34</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>-35</b>	<b>-11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>-13</b>	<b>-33</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>-11</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>-25</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1</b>

**To what extent, if at all, do you support or oppose the introduction of charges for drivers in older or more polluting vehicles driving into cities (sometimes known as ULEZ schemes)?**

Strongly support	14	6	23	22	21	6	16	11	23	15	9	11	17	9	13	9	20	10	13	21	12
Tend to support	26	22	33	38	38	20	25	27	24	28	28	22	29	23	27	19	25	24	29	25	29
<b>TOTAL SUPPORT</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>41</b>
Tend to oppose	20	22	16	23	18	20	19	21	16	18	21	23	19	21	20	17	20	22	19	15	21
Strongly oppose	25	40	17	10	15	41	30	21	11	21	30	34	23	28	24	39	27	26	23	23	24
<b>TOTAL OPPOSE</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>45</b>
Don't know	15	10	10	7	9	12	10	20	26	18	12	10	12	19	16	16	8	18	16	15	14
<b>NET SUPPORT</b>	<b>-5</b>	<b>-34</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>-35</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>-14</b>	<b>-24</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>-17</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>-28</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>-14</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>-4</b>

**Thinking about recent protests by Extinction Rebellion, Just Stop Oil and similar groups, do you think they have been treated too harshly, not harshly enough by each of the following, or have the authorities got the balance about right?**

**...by the Police?**

They have treated them too harshly	17	3	35	22	29	6	16	18	26	20	16	12	20	14	17	17	18	17	18	22	16
They have got the balance about right	21	18	23	36	26	17	20	22	23	21	22	17	23	17	21	15	22	18	22	25	21
They have not treated them harshly enough	45	73	25	29	31	69	52	38	24	37	50	64	43	48	45	51	45	46	44	32	49
Don't know	17	7	17	13	14	9	12	22	27	23	12	7	15	20	17	17	15	19	16	22	15

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Do you think Just Stop Oil using the tactic of slowing down and blocking traffic on busy roads is justifiable or not justifiable?

It is justifiable	17	4	36	22	30	5	18	17	28	19	17	9	20	14	18	14	19	16	18	25	15
It is not justifiable	69	92	53	71	60	90	70	69	47	64	72	86	69	70	69	77	68	69	69	56	74
Don't know	13	4	11	8	10	6	11	15	25	16	11	5	10	17	13	9	13	15	13	19	10

Do you think that politicians do or do not understand the financial pressure people like you are under?

They do	6	9	4	5	6	6	8	5	9	6	6	6	7	5	6	5	6	5	4	10	7
They do not	85	84	92	88	89	87	84	87	74	85	89	88	85	86	85	90	89	86	88	75	86
Don't know	8	8	4	7	5	7	8	9	17	9	6	6	8	9	9	5	5	9	8	15	8

\*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.