

YouGov / The Times Survey Results

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Do you think Rishi Sunak is doing a good job or a bad job as Chancellor of the Exchequer?																					
	He is doing a good job	55	38	63	23	35	35	49	41	34	24	32	46	46	39	36	36	43	38	35	26
	He is doing a bad job	16	26	9	45	36	34	17	30	22	31	29	25	18	28	23	31	22	24	25	39
	Don't know	29	36	28	33	29	30	33	29	43	46	39	28	36	33	41	33	35	38	39	35
Do you think the government is managing the economy well or badly?																					
	Very well	6	2	6	1	1	1	4	2	2	1	1	4	4	2	3	3	3	3	2	1
	Fairly well	42	37	64	18	27	29	51	39	34	22	30	43	50	37	37	26	43	39	35	27
	TOTAL WELL	48	39	70	19	28	30	55	41	36	23	31	47	54	39	40	29	46	42	37	28
	Fairly badly	25	29	16	38	40	32	23	26	31	42	32	25	21	28	29	37	26	27	29	33
	Very badly	14	18	5	33	22	27	10	22	15	18	22	18	13	21	15	20	17	15	19	29
	TOTAL BADLY	39	47	21	71	62	59	33	48	46	60	54	43	34	49	44	57	43	42	48	62
	Don't know	13	14	10	10	10	10	12	10	17	17	15	10	12	11	17	14	12	17	14	11
In your opinion how good or bad is the state of Britain's economy at the moment?																					
	Very good	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	0	0
	Quite good	6	13	26	4	9	8	20	16	11	11	9	15	20	13	14	9	16	16	13	7
	TOTAL GOOD	7	14	27	4	9	8	21	17	11	12	9	16	21	14	15	10	17	18	13	7
	Neither good nor bad	20	28	39	21	18	22	35	27	28	20	25	30	33	25	31	26	29	32	24	24
	Quite bad	43	38	25	47	52	46	29	36	39	41	43	33	30	41	33	41	35	31	42	47
	Very bad	24	14	7	24	17	19	10	16	13	12	16	15	12	15	13	17	14	13	15	17
	TOTAL BAD	67	52	32	71	69	65	39	52	52	53	59	48	42	56	46	58	49	44	57	64
	Don't know	6	6	3	4	5	3	4	4	8	15	6	5	4	5	8	6	6	8	7	5

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How do you think the financial situation of your household will change over the next 12 months?

Get a lot better	3	2	2	2	0	3	2	3	1	5	3	1	1	2	2	6	2	4	1	1
Get a little better	13	10	11	10	11	10	9	11	9	17	12	8	7	11	9	11	12	10	10	7
TOTAL GET BETTER	16	12	13	12	11	13	11	14	10	22	15	9	8	13	11	17	14	14	11	8
Stay about the same	46	36	45	29	33	32	40	34	38	34	33	37	42	35	37	36	37	35	38	30
Get a little worse	23	30	29	31	39	33	30	29	31	19	28	33	36	30	29	28	30	29	29	35
Get a lot worse	7	14	10	19	12	16	14	15	14	6	15	17	13	15	14	13	14	14	13	21
TOTAL GET WORSE	30	44	39	50	51	49	44	44	45	25	43	50	49	45	43	41	44	43	42	56
Don't know	7	7	3	9	4	6	4	7	7	18	8	4	2	6	9	7	5	8	9	6

How do you think the economic situation of the country as a whole will change over the next 12 months?

Get a lot better	5	2	3	0	0	1	2	2	1	2	1	3	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	1
Get a little better	27	20	33	13	14	15	27	23	18	21	18	20	25	20	21	20	25	17	19	15
TOTAL GET BETTER	32	22	36	13	14	16	29	25	19	23	19	23	26	21	23	21	26	19	20	16
Stay about the same	15	18	22	17	15	16	21	19	18	17	19	18	18	17	20	18	16	21	21	16
Get a little worse	27	31	26	35	43	35	28	29	33	28	31	31	32	32	30	36	32	29	28	32
Get a lot worse	18	19	9	27	23	26	14	20	18	15	20	20	17	21	16	16	17	20	19	28
TOTAL GET WORSE	45	50	35	62	66	61	42	49	51	43	51	51	49	53	46	52	49	49	47	60
Don't know	8	10	6	8	5	7	8	8	12	17	11	8	6	8	11	9	8	12	11	8

This week the Chancellor Rishi Sunak announced his third budget.

Below are some of the announcements he made. For each one, please say whether you think it is a good idea or the wrong priority for the present time?

Changing taxes on alcohol to increase tax on drinks with higher alcohol content and reduce tax on drinks with lower alcohol

Good idea	49	58	45	54	51	53	53	46	40	45	53	58	52	46	48	53	51	48	40
Wrong priority	32	27	39	34	37	30	33	31	29	35	33	28	34	30	29	31	30	34	41
Don't know	19	15	17	11	12	17	14	23	31	20	15	14	14	25	24	17	19	18	19

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Changing taxes on alcohol to reduce tax on draught beer and cider in pubs and bars																			
Good idea	38	48	32	33	31	46	45	31	36	34	44	40	37	40	33	41	38	39	30
Wrong priority	43	35	52	54	53	38	40	46	35	46	43	43	48	38	48	43	41	43	48
Don't know	19	16	16	12	15	16	15	22	29	19	14	17	16	22	20	16	21	18	23
Temporarily reduce business rates for the retail and hospitality sector																			
Good idea	69	83	63	71	70	77	68	69	44	63	79	81	71	66	61	73	67	69	68
Wrong priority	12	7	16	18	15	10	14	9	11	16	10	7	13	10	16	9	13	13	10
Don't know	19	10	21	11	15	13	17	21	45	21	12	11	15	24	22	18	19	18	22
Reduce the Universal Credit "taper", so people lose less in benefits if their income rises																			
Good idea	62	64	66	70	66	62	65	59	50	59	66	68	65	58	68	63	58	62	61
Wrong priority	18	19	16	16	19	19	18	18	15	21	18	15	18	18	14	19	20	17	21
Don't know	20	17	17	14	15	18	17	23	36	19	17	17	17	24	18	18	23	21	18
Reduce the tax on domestic airlines flights																			
Good idea	25	35	21	17	19	32	23	26	21	21	27	32	24	27	24	25	29	22	25
Wrong priority	54	46	64	67	66	50	59	50	44	55	58	52	60	47	49	54	49	59	62
Don't know	21	19	15	16	16	18	18	24	35	24	15	16	16	27	26	21	22	20	14
Increase the tax on long haul overseas flights																			
Good idea	52	55	53	65	60	53	56	48	37	48	57	61	55	48	46	54	50	53	56
Wrong priority	29	30	32	19	27	30	29	29	28	30	29	27	29	28	33	27	28	31	25
Don't know	19	15	15	15	13	17	15	23	35	22	14	12	15	25	21	19	22	16	18
Freeze the level of tax on petrol and diesel at its current level																			
Good idea	70	83	63	58	64	83	70	71	52	68	74	79	69	72	59	73	73	69	71
Wrong priority	16	9	25	29	25	9	20	13	21	17	17	13	20	12	26	14	13	17	16
Don't know	13	8	12	12	11	8	10	16	26	15	9	8	11	16	15	12	14	13	13
Increase spending on overseas aid back to 0.7% of national income by 2024																			
Good idea	33	19	51	64	55	17	37	28	35	34	34	27	40	22	39	37	28	25	37
Wrong priority	45	65	31	26	29	67	48	43	23	42	50	57	44	47	36	42	50	52	40
Don't know	22	15	18	9	16	17	15	29	42	24	16	15	16	30	25	21	22	22	22

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Increase the minimum wage for people aged over 23 from £8.91 an hour to £9.50

Good idea	85	81	89	91	89	82	83	86	79	85	85	87	85	84	85	87	83	84	84
Wrong priority	7	11	5	4	6	10	10	5	7	8	7	7	8	6	7	8	7	8	7
Don't know	8	8	6	5	5	8	7	9	14	8	8	5	7	9	8	6	10	8	9

End the freeze in public sector pay

Good idea	70	71	79	81	82	70	72	69	48	71	73	77	74	65	67	74	66	68	78
Wrong priority	10	14	6	11	7	14	12	9	8	10	13	9	11	9	10	8	10	14	8
Don't know	20	15	16	9	11	17	16	23	44	19	15	13	15	26	23	18	24	18	14

Overall, do you think this week's Budget is a fair one or not?

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Yes, it is fair	55	33	51	21	30	30	41	35	30	27	29	36	39	34	31	30	35	34	32	27
No, it isn't fair	12	24	13	34	31	31	20	28	20	14	25	26	22	24	23	26	23	18	25	31
Don't know	33	44	36	45	39	39	39	37	50	58	46	38	39	41	46	44	42	47	43	42

Thinking first of the country as a whole, do you think the Budget will leave the country?

Better off	20	13	23	7	11	12	16	14	11	15	11	13	15	14	11	11	15	12	10	12
Worse off	18	23	15	31	31	31	20	25	21	9	28	25	20	24	22	27	22	21	23	32
Not make much difference	39	42	47	43	43	40	48	44	41	32	37	47	51	42	43	34	43	45	45	38
Don't know	22	22	15	19	16	17	16	16	27	43	25	14	14	19	25	28	20	21	22	19

Thinking now of you and your family, do you think the Budget will leave you and your family?

Better off	6	4	6	2	3	4	3	5	4	7	5	4	2	5	4	5	5	5	2	4
Worse off	18	31	28	33	35	34	33	34	28	11	34	36	30	30	32	32	29	32	33	34
Not make much difference	62	50	57	48	55	51	53	50	49	46	43	52	60	52	46	44	52	46	51	51
Don't know	14	15	9	18	7	11	11	11	19	36	17	9	8	13	18	19	14	17	14	11

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And thinking about the impact of the Coronavirus, do you think the Budget has or has not done enough to help the country recover from the economic impact of the virus?

Has done enough	36	22	41	12	16	19	29	25	19	13	18	25	30	23	21	19	26	20	21	17
Has not done enough	33	40	23	57	51	49	33	42	38	37	45	38	35	44	35	44	37	39	41	47
Don't know	31	38	36	31	33	31	38	33	43	49	37	36	35	33	43	37	36	41	38	36

Do you think this Budget has made it more or less likely that Britain will hit its target of Net Zero carbon emissions by 2050?

More likely	4	7	3	3	3	5	4	5	5	4	4	6	5	3	5	5	4	4	2
Less likely	24	15	30	39	30	18	29	20	26	24	24	24	29	18	30	25	21	22	29
No difference	43	50	43	44	45	47	47	40	34	43	45	47	43	44	38	47	41	42	47
Don't know	28	28	24	14	21	29	20	36	35	30	27	23	23	35	28	23	34	31	22

Do you think the changes that the Chancellor set out in the Budget are or are not affordable for the country?

		3-4 Mar	27-28 Oct																	
Are affordable	38	28	35	30	27	31	30	33	23	29	23	34	30	30	26	21	31	29	27	26
Are not affordable	28	29	25	30	32	28	30	30	28	21	32	27	27	29	28	29	29	26	30	31
Don't know	34	43	40	40	41	41	41	37	49	49	44	39	43	41	47	50	41	45	43	43