

YouGov / The Times Survey Results

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Fieldwork: 24th - 25th November 2021

	Westminster VI			Vote in 2019 GE			EU Ref 2016		Gender		Age				Social Grade		Region						
	Total	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Remain	Leave	Male	Female	18-24	25-49	50-64	65+	ABC1	C2DE	London	Rest of South	Midlands / Wales	North	Scotland	
Weighted Sample	1692	398	381	72	574	420	152	628	670	822	870	184	706	408	393	964	728	203	569	367	408	146	
Unweighted Sample	1692	420	391	75	606	410	159	705	687	727	965	134	650	433	474	1023	669	150	596	382	423	141	
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

How well or badly do you think the Government is handling the issue of migrants attempting to cross the English Channel by boat?

Very well	1	2	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1
Fairly well	6	12	4	5	9	3	6	5	7	6	6	5	7	3	6	7	4	4	7	7	4	4
TOTAL WELL	7	14	5	5	10	4	7	5	8	7	7	6	8	3	7	8	5	5	7	8	5	5
Fairly badly	28	41	24	27	32	23	32	28	27	25	31	24	25	32	33	28	28	29	27	30	29	23
Very badly	54	36	65	54	50	65	53	58	58	59	50	44	55	58	55	53	55	53	56	48	57	59
TOTAL BADLY	82	77	89	81	82	88	85	86	85	84	81	68	80	90	88	81	83	82	83	78	86	82
Don't know	11	8	6	13	8	8	9	9	7	10	13	26	12	7	6	11	12	13	11	13	9	14

And if Labour were in Government, do you think they would handle the issue of migrants attempting to cross the English Channel by boat better or worse than the current Government, or about the same?

Would handle it better than the current Government	18	1	54	26	3	45	28	33	7	19	18	26	21	18	11	22	14	28	15	17	18	21
Would handle it worse than the current Government	26	57	4	14	51	6	9	12	43	32	19	17	22	27	35	26	25	17	27	29	28	17
Would be about the same	38	36	23	41	39	29	47	38	38	35	40	35	34	41	42	38	38	35	42	33	35	41
Don't know	18	6	18	18	7	20	15	17	12	13	23	23	23	14	11	14	24	19	16	21	18	21

From what you have seen or heard, what do you think is the main reason for the recent increase in the number of migrants attempting to cross the English Channel by boat?

The British Government's handling of the issue	10	7	10	9	12	10	6	8	13	11	8	12	9	9	11	9	11	11	9	7	11	13
The French Government's handling of the issue	25	46	13	9	41	9	15	15	38	26	24	11	18	33	36	24	26	15	29	25	27	18
Britain having left the European Union	5	3	9	10	2	9	12	10	1	6	4	4	5	5	4	6	4	6	5	4	5	5
Open border policies within the European Union	10	15	6	10	16	4	9	7	14	10	10	4	7	11	16	10	10	10	10	10	10	8
Increased instability elsewhere in the world	18	10	27	24	12	24	29	26	10	16	19	16	19	16	18	21	13	18	19	20	13	19
A lack of legal ways for refugees to reach Britain	12	5	20	24	4	23	13	18	6	11	12	20	14	10	6	13	10	15	11	7	15	11
Some other reason	5	5	3	1	6	6	2	3	7	6	4	8	4	5	6	6	5	9	5	7	4	4
Don't know	16	8	14	12	6	15	13	14	10	14	19	24	23	12	4	13	21	16	13	20	15	23

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Would you support or oppose the following policies?

Sending people who apply for asylum in the United Kingdom to another country while their application is processed

Strongly support	26	42	11	14	45	11	14	12	46	30	23	13	21	30	38	25	28	23	27	26	30	19
Tend to support	21	28	17	21	25	16	12	17	24	22	20	22	20	21	22	20	22	17	20	24	22	17
TOTAL SUPPORT	47	70	28	35	70	27	26	29	70	52	43	35	41	51	60	45	50	40	47	50	52	36
Tend to oppose	18	14	23	29	13	24	31	24	12	16	20	25	19	17	15	21	15	14	19	16	18	27
Strongly oppose	15	3	33	22	4	31	22	29	4	16	14	19	17	15	10	19	9	25	14	13	12	15
TOTAL OPPOSE	33	17	56	51	17	55	53	53	16	32	34	44	36	32	25	40	24	39	33	29	30	42
Don't know	20	13	16	15	13	18	21	18	14	16	23	21	24	17	14	15	26	21	19	21	18	22

Attempting to intercept migrant boats in the English Channel and turn them back towards France

Strongly support	39	62	18	22	65	17	21	20	67	44	35	13	34	46	55	36	44	27	43	39	45	32
Tend to support	22	24	22	27	22	20	24	25	19	21	23	18	22	23	21	23	20	16	21	26	20	27
TOTAL SUPPORT	61	86	40	49	87	37	45	45	86	65	58	31	56	69	76	59	64	43	64	65	65	59
Tend to oppose	11	6	17	22	6	18	21	17	5	10	12	15	13	10	8	13	9	16	11	10	12	9
Strongly oppose	14	2	31	17	3	32	22	26	3	15	14	31	14	13	10	18	9	27	13	12	11	18
TOTAL OPPOSE	25	8	48	39	9	50	43	43	8	25	26	46	27	23	18	31	18	43	24	22	23	27
Don't know	13	6	12	12	5	12	12	13	6	10	16	22	18	8	6	10	18	15	12	13	13	15

Britain refusing to accept asylum applications from people who have entered the UK illegally and could reasonably have claimed asylum in another safe country

Strongly support	49	73	24	33	77	23	31	28	77	53	45	17	42	57	67	46	52	31	51	49	55	42
Tend to support	19	17	23	25	15	20	26	24	12	17	21	21	19	19	18	19	19	17	22	20	15	19
TOTAL SUPPORT	68	90	47	58	92	43	57	52	89	70	66	38	61	76	85	65	71	48	73	69	70	61
Tend to oppose	9	2	19	20	2	18	18	14	3	10	9	20	11	6	5	12	6	14	9	10	8	8
Strongly oppose	10	0	22	8	1	24	13	19	1	11	8	21	10	9	5	13	6	21	7	7	8	15
TOTAL OPPOSE	19	2	41	28	3	42	31	33	4	21	17	41	21	15	10	25	12	35	16	17	16	23
Don't know	13	7	11	12	4	14	11	15	6	10	17	21	18	9	5	10	17	18	11	14	14	15