

# YouGov / Woodland Trust Survey Results

Sample Size: 589 adults in Northern Ireland  
Fieldwork: 10th - 16th May 2023

	2016 EU Ref			Gender		Age				Social Grade (1)				Social Grade (2)	
	Total	Remain	Leave	Male	Female	18-24	25-49	50-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	ABC1	C2DE
<b>Weighted Sample</b>	<b>589</b>	285	174	303	286	65	250	147	128	200	114	73	101	314	174
<b>Unweighted Sample</b>	<b>589</b>	287	172	291	298	75	235	153	126	225	122	61	82	347	143
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Which of the following words, if any, best describe how you would feel if a large tree in your local area was cut down for new developments?  
Please select up to two.

Sad	45	43	47	42	48	39	43	49	45	49	43	42	43	47	42
Angry	36	38	35	34	38	31	32	42	41	35	32	27	47	34	38
Indifferent	15	14	17	18	13	15	16	14	15	16	16	28	6	16	15
Uninterested	10	9	6	12	8	13	13	7	7	11	13	9	7	12	8
Contemptuous	6	6	6	6	6	10	5	7	5	7	7	0	6	7	3
Grateful	2	2	3	2	2	5	2	1	1	1	3	1	4	2	3
Relieved	1	1	3	2	1	3	1	1	2	1	3	1	1	1	1
None of these	3	4	3	2	4	1	4	3	4	3	4	6	1	3	3
N/A - there are no large trees in my local area/not aware of there being any	13	13	11	14	13	15	16	10	12	11	15	13	16	12	14

In the following questions, by 'trees of special interest', we refer to trees that have cultural, or conservation value due to their old age, size or condition.

To what extent, if at all, would you support or oppose the following protections being introduced for trees of special interest?

Granting trees of special interest legally protected status

Strongly support	42	41	42	42	42	46	34	48	47	40	38	45	49	39	47
Tend to support	36	41	33	36	36	35	36	36	39	40	39	27	33	39	31
<b>TOTAL SUPPORT</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>78</b>
Tend to oppose	7	7	9	7	8	2	9	8	6	9	5	4	4	8	4
Strongly oppose	2	1	4	3	1	3	2	3	1	2	1	2	2	1	2
<b>TOTAL OPPOSE</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>6</b>
Don't know	12	10	11	13	12	14	19	6	7	9	18	21	12	12	16

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<b>Weighted Sample</b>	589	45	66	108	46	47	36	46	44	45	55	52
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Which of the following words, if any, best describe how you would feel if a large tree in your local area was cut down for new developments?  
Please select up to two.

Sad	45	52	41	53	49	48	47	46	32	27	45	41
Angry	36	41	28	35	41	35	35	48	34	35	33	42
Indifferent	15	5	26	12	16	11	11	13	24	24	7	21
Uninterested	10	16	10	9	9	9	4	7	9	13	8	15
Contemptuous	6	8	10	5	1	3	8	4	4	21	0	5
Grateful	2	3	1	6	0	0	0	2	0	1	2	3
Relieved	1	5	2	0	0	5	1	2	0	0	3	0
None of these	3	0	9	6	0	1	2	3	3	0	2	2
N/A - there are no large trees in my local area/not aware of there being any	13	14	9	12	14	12	19	14	12	13	18	15

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To what extent, if at all, would you support or oppose the following protections being introduced for trees of special interest?

Granting trees of special interest legally protected status

Strongly support	42	46	37	40	52	37	50	43	49	33	39	42
Tend to support	36	32	38	39	42	47	39	34	24	38	30	36
<b>TOTAL SUPPORT</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>78</b>
Tend to oppose	7	8	6	4	4	1	11	11	13	16	5	9
Strongly oppose	2	1	2	1	0	0	0	8	0	3	0	5
<b>TOTAL OPPOSE</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>14</b>
Don't know	12	13	18	17	1	15	0	3	15	10	26	8

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<b>Weighted Sample</b>	<b>589</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>303</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>174</b>
<b>Unweighted Sample</b>	<b>589</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>143</b>
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

**Introducing policies to refuse new building developments that would mean removing trees of special interest**

Strongly support	35	33	34	34	37	40	27	45	38	36	33	30	37	35	34
Tend to support	36	45	28	35	38	25	43	30	36	39	35	41	32	37	36
<b>TOTAL SUPPORT</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>70</b>
Tend to oppose	12	10	17	12	12	15	9	12	16	14	9	10	15	12	13
Strongly oppose	4	3	8	6	2	3	5	5	4	4	2	6	4	3	5
<b>TOTAL OPPOSE</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>18</b>
Don't know	12	9	13	13	11	18	16	7	7	7	22	13	11	12	12

**Introducing government funded grants to support the protection of trees of special interest**

Strongly support	33	35	28	34	32	41	25	40	39	31	28	32	40	30	37
Tend to support	38	45	35	35	41	33	38	41	38	46	32	38	37	41	37
<b>TOTAL SUPPORT</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>74</b>
Tend to oppose	11	9	11	12	9	7	13	8	11	10	10	16	3	10	9
Strongly oppose	4	2	8	5	2	4	3	2	6	3	6	1	3	4	2
<b>TOTAL OPPOSE</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>11</b>
Don't know	14	9	17	14	15	15	21	9	7	10	24	13	16	15	15

**Allowing local councils to identify trees that have particular conservational or cultural value and use legal protections that mean permission is required from the council before a tree is removed**

Strongly support	42	44	39	39	46	39	38	47	47	45	41	35	43	43	40
Tend to support	36	41	33	36	36	30	35	37	38	35	31	44	39	34	41
<b>TOTAL SUPPORT</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>81</b>
Tend to oppose	7	4	9	6	7	12	5	7	6	9	3	7	2	7	4
Strongly oppose	3	1	7	5	1	3	2	3	4	3	3	1	3	3	2
<b>TOTAL OPPOSE</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>6</b>
Don't know	12	10	12	13	11	16	19	6	4	8	22	13	13	13	13

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Strongly support	35	39	34	39	40	24	39	43	35	25	27	38
Tend to support	36	35	37	27	45	42	47	38	37	41	43	25
<b>TOTAL SUPPORT</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>63</b>
Tend to oppose	12	7	10	13	7	21	11	12	15	16	8	13
Strongly oppose	4	7	7	3	3	0	0	4	6	3	3	11
<b>TOTAL OPPOSE</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>24</b>
Don't know	12	12	13	18	3	12	3	3	7	15	20	13

**Introducing government funded grants to support the protection of trees of special interest**

Strongly support	33	33	30	35	44	30	38	40	39	19	19	40
Tend to support	38	33	41	36	37	41	45	34	36	45	48	24
<b>TOTAL SUPPORT</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>64</b>
Tend to oppose	11	21	15	6	6	6	6	10	14	11	8	17
Strongly oppose	4	1	1	3	3	6	7	7	1	3	0	10
<b>TOTAL OPPOSE</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>27</b>
Don't know	14	11	12	19	10	18	5	8	10	22	25	10

**Allowing local councils to identify trees that have particular conservational or cultural value and use legal protections that mean permission is required from the council before a tree is removed**

Strongly support	42	39	40	45	47	49	45	44	47	36	37	38
Tend to support	36	39	36	32	36	32	42	37	31	38	35	40
<b>TOTAL SUPPORT</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>78</b>
Tend to oppose	7	11	4	7	1	1	6	12	13	13	2	5
Strongly oppose	3	0	1	2	6	5	0	3	2	3	0	12
<b>TOTAL OPPOSE</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>17</b>
Don't know	12	11	19	14	9	12	6	5	7	11	26	6

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	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

How much responsibility, if any, do you think the following institutions should have for ensuring the protection of 'trees of special interest'?

Government departments and agencies (e.g. Department for Infrastructure, Northern Ireland Environment Agency)

A lot of responsibility	51	58	45	48	55	39	49	52	59	54	44	42	60	51	52
A fair amount of responsibility	33	30	37	32	35	36	33	35	30	32	37	35	28	34	31
<b>TOTAL A LOT / FAIR AMOUNT</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>83</b>
Not very much responsibility	6	6	6	8	4	11	5	4	8	8	5	11	1	7	5
No responsibility	2	1	4	4	1	6	2	3	1	2	3	4	2	2	3
<b>TOTAL NOT VERY MUCH / NONE AT ALL</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>
Don't know	7	5	8	9	5	9	11	5	2	5	11	9	9	7	9

Local councils

A lot of responsibility	52	55	48	53	51	47	48	54	60	53	47	54	54	50	54
A fair amount of responsibility	35	37	35	33	37	43	36	34	31	36	38	35	35	37	35
<b>TOTAL A LOT / FAIR AMOUNT</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>89</b>
Not very much responsibility	5	2	8	4	5	2	6	5	4	5	2	5	4	4	4
No responsibility	2	3	3	3	2	1	2	3	3	3	4	2	1	4	2
<b>TOTAL NOT VERY MUCH / NONE AT ALL</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>
Don't know	6	3	6	7	4	8	8	4	3	3	10	4	7	5	6

Land owners

A lot of responsibility	49	50	55	49	48	31	40	59	62	48	40	48	55	45	52
A fair amount of responsibility	37	40	31	34	41	41	42	30	32	42	47	38	27	44	31
<b>TOTAL A LOT / FAIR AMOUNT</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>83</b>
Not very much responsibility	5	4	3	5	5	14	6	3	3	4	3	9	5	4	7
No responsibility	2	1	6	4	1	4	2	3	2	3	2	0	2	3	1
<b>TOTAL NOT VERY MUCH / NONE AT ALL</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>
Don't know	7	5	6	8	6	10	10	4	1	4	7	6	11	5	9

Charities (e.g. Woodland Trust, National Trust)

A lot of responsibility	42	42	47	37	47	35	32	52	55	44	34	38	51	40	46
A fair amount of responsibility	40	44	32	43	37	46	44	36	33	40	43	47	33	41	39
<b>TOTAL A LOT / FAIR AMOUNT</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>85</b>
Not very much responsibility	8	7	9	6	10	7	12	4	5	7	9	5	6	8	6
No responsibility	4	5	4	7	1	4	4	3	6	5	6	6	1	5	3
<b>TOTAL NOT VERY MUCH / NONE AT ALL</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>9</b>
Don't know	6	3	7	7	4	8	8	5	2	4	7	4	9	5	7

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A lot of responsibility	51	52	38	52	63	47	65	46	52	45	59	49
A fair amount of responsibility	33	37	40	32	26	29	26	43	25	42	28	32
<b>TOTAL A LOT / FAIR AMOUNT</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>81</b>
Not very much responsibility	6	6	7	9	2	7	2	3	9	6	0	10
No responsibility	2	0	3	1	0	3	0	3	7	3	0	7
<b>TOTAL NOT VERY MUCH / NONE AT ALL</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17</b>
Don't know	7	5	12	6	9	13	6	5	6	4	14	1

Local councils

A lot of responsibility	52	55	45	50	65	51	45	50	47	50	64	51
A fair amount of responsibility	35	32	43	40	28	28	51	40	34	32	19	35
<b>TOTAL A LOT / FAIR AMOUNT</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>86</b>
Not very much responsibility	5	5	6	4	0	1	0	4	11	9	1	10
No responsibility	2	0	3	1	5	6	0	3	2	4	2	2
<b>TOTAL NOT VERY MUCH / NONE AT ALL</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>12</b>
Don't know	6	8	3	5	3	13	4	3	6	5	14	1

Land owners

A lot of responsibility	49	51	55	50	61	42	46	49	51	34	47	42
A fair amount of responsibility	37	38	36	33	38	31	42	40	34	41	41	37
<b>TOTAL A LOT / FAIR AMOUNT</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>79</b>
Not very much responsibility	5	4	7	8	0	6	5	2	9	12	0	3
No responsibility	2	2	0	1	0	7	0	4	2	1	0	11
<b>TOTAL NOT VERY MUCH / NONE AT ALL</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>
Don't know	7	5	2	8	1	13	6	5	4	12	12	7

Charities (e.g. Woodland Trust, National Trust)

A lot of responsibility	42	34	40	51	41	45	41	39	39	33	47	40
A fair amount of responsibility	40	51	37	34	37	36	45	38	47	47	36	42
<b>TOTAL A LOT / FAIR AMOUNT</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>82</b>
Not very much responsibility	8	6	11	5	11	3	7	8	10	9	4	13
No responsibility	4	4	7	4	7	0	3	10	2	6	1	4
<b>TOTAL NOT VERY MUCH / NONE AT ALL</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>17</b>
Don't know	6	5	5	6	3	16	4	5	2	5	12	1

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	2016 EU Ref		Gender		Age				Social Grade (1)				Social Grade (2)		
	Total	Remain	Leave	Male	Female	18-24	25-49	50-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	ABC1	C2DE
<b>Weighted Sample</b>	<b>589</b>	285	174	303	286	65	250	147	128	200	114	73	101	314	174
<b>Unweighted Sample</b>	<b>589</b>	287	172	291	298	75	235	153	126	225	122	61	82	347	143
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

**Individuals**

A lot of responsibility	21	21	26	21	20	7	15	26	33	22	18	15	24	20	21
A fair amount of responsibility	36	37	33	34	38	39	35	37	33	38	37	31	32	38	32
<b>TOTAL A LOT / FAIR AMOUNT</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>53</b>
Not very much responsibility	25	26	21	24	25	31	26	23	21	26	24	32	26	25	29
No responsibility	9	6	13	10	8	13	10	6	9	5	10	12	4	7	7
<b>TOTAL NOT VERY MUCH / NONE AT ALL</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>36</b>
Don't know	10	10	8	10	9	10	15	8	3	8	12	10	13	10	12

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Generally speaking, to what extent do you think it is acceptable or unacceptable to build new infrastructure that involves the damage or destruction of ancient woodland?

Always acceptable	2	1	5	4	1	6	3	2	1	2	3	1	1	3	1
Usually acceptable, with some exemptions	10	8	13	11	8	13	9	8	10	12	12	7	7	12	7
<b>TOTAL ALWAYS/USUALLY ACCEPTABLE</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>8</b>
Usually unacceptable, with some exemptions	40	43	34	40	40	37	39	35	49	45	38	42	32	43	37
Always unacceptable	42	44	44	39	46	36	42	52	36	37	38	38	54	37	47
<b>TOTAL ALWAYS/USUALLY UNACCEPTABLE</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>84</b>
Don't know	6	4	4	6	5	8	7	3	4	4	8	11	6	5	8

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		Region											
		Antrim and Newtownabbey	Armagh, Banbridge and Craigavon	Belfast	Causeway Coast and Glens	Derry and Strabane	Fermanagh and Omagh	Lisburn and Castlereagh	Mid and East Antrim	Mid Ulster	Newry, Mourne and Down	North Down and Ards	
<b>Weighted Sample</b>	<b>589</b>	45	66	108	46	47	36	46	44	45	55	52	
<b>Unweighted Sample</b>	<b>589</b>	42	61	115	43	49	36	51	48	42	44	58	
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	
<b>Individuals</b>													
	A lot of responsibility	21	23	15	19	23	36	10	26	16	18	19	23
	A fair amount of responsibility	36	25	32	40	32	23	45	36	41	27	48	35
	<b>TOTAL A LOT / FAIR AMOUNT</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>58</b>
	Not very much responsibility	25	28	30	25	33	13	36	19	28	32	14	18
	No responsibility	9	12	9	7	0	9	3	15	11	12	3	19
	<b>TOTAL NOT VERY MUCH / NONE AT ALL</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>37</b>
	Don't know	10	12	14	8	11	20	6	3	4	11	15	4

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Generally speaking, to what extent do you think it is acceptable or unacceptable to build new infrastructure that involves the damage or destruction of ancient woodland?

	Always acceptable	2	4	1	2	0	6	0	2	0	4	1	7
	Usually acceptable, with some exemptions	10	9	9	13	3	16	4	15	17	6	1	11
	<b>TOTAL ALWAYS/USUALLY ACCEPTABLE</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>18</b>
	Usually unacceptable, with some exemptions	40	39	36	39	42	41	50	27	49	45	34	44
	Always unacceptable	42	47	46	42	53	31	39	51	31	42	46	36
	<b>TOTAL ALWAYS/USUALLY UNACCEPTABLE</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>80</b>
	Don't know	6	3	8	4	3	6	7	5	2	4	19	2

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