

# YouGov - Racism in football

Fieldwork: 15th - 16th July 2021

Sample Size: 1510 Adults in England

	Gender		Age				Social Grade		Region					Interest in Football		
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-49	50-64	65+	ABC1	C2DE	London	Rest of South	Midlands / Wales	North	Scotland	Interested	Not interested
<b>Weighted Sample</b>	<b>1520</b>	733	787	169	645	361	345	876	644	211	592	292	424	0	553	940
<b>Unweighted Sample</b>	<b>1510</b>	625	885	99	598	369	444	904	606	195	617	290	408	0	536	954
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

## How interested, if at all, are you in football?

Very interested	<b>18</b>	29	7	25	18	19	12	19	16	17	15	20	20	0	48	0
Fairly interested	<b>19</b>	20	17	15	19	23	15	20	18	18	18	20	20	0	52	0
<b>TOTAL INTERESTED</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>0</b>
Not very interested	<b>20</b>	16	24	29	19	18	19	22	17	25	17	18	22	0	0	32
Not at all interested	<b>42</b>	33	51	27	41	39	54	39	47	39	48	41	36	0	0	68
<b>TOTAL NOT INTERESTED</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>100</b>
Don't know	<b>2</b>	2	1	4	3	0	0	2	2	1	2	2	2	0	0	0

## Would you say that racism does or does not exist in professional football in your country?

Does exist and is a serious problem	<b>66</b>	55	77	71	72	62	59	70	61	75	65	68	64	0	71	65
Does exist but is not a serious problem	<b>19</b>	27	12	15	15	25	23	18	21	15	21	21	19	0	24	17
Does not exist	<b>3</b>	5	2	7	4	3	2	3	4	2	3	4	5	0	2	4
Don't know	<b>11</b>	13	9	7	10	10	16	9	14	9	12	8	12	0	3	14

**Do you think the following organisations are or are not doing enough to tackle racism in professional football in your country?**

**International football authorities (i.e. FIFA and UEFA)**

Are doing enough	<b>12</b>	15	9	14	12	13	8	10	13	8	11	14	13	0	15	10
Are not doing enough	<b>56</b>	56	56	52	57	59	52	59	51	61	55	55	56	0	72	48
Don't know	<b>32</b>	29	36	34	30	28	40	30	36	31	35	31	31	0	13	43

**My country's football association**

Are doing enough	<b>17</b>	24	11	19	17	21	13	15	20	14	16	20	18	0	25	13
Are not doing enough	<b>49</b>	48	51	43	52	47	50	54	43	54	48	48	50	0	63	42
Don't know	<b>33</b>	29	38	38	31	32	38	31	37	32	36	32	31	0	12	44

**Football clubs**

Are doing enough	<b>20</b>	27	13	20	20	23	16	20	20	18	19	22	21	0	32	13
Are not doing enough	<b>47</b>	44	49	44	50	43	46	49	43	48	45	47	49	0	54	44
Don't know	<b>33</b>	28	38	36	30	34	38	31	37	34	37	31	31	0	14	43

**Football players**

Are doing enough	<b>44</b>	48	40	48	48	49	31	46	41	49	41	44	46	0	66	32
Are not doing enough	<b>23</b>	23	23	21	23	20	29	24	22	21	24	25	23	0	20	26
Don't know	<b>33</b>	28	37	31	29	31	40	29	37	30	36	30	31	0	14	42

**Football fans**

Are doing enough	<b>8</b>	13	4	11	8	9	6	8	9	5	8	9	10	0	11	7
Are not doing enough	<b>68</b>	65	71	68	70	66	65	71	63	75	66	68	66	0	81	61
Don't know	<b>24</b>	22	26	21	22	24	29	21	29	21	26	23	24	0	8	32

**Police**

Are doing enough	<b>16</b>	23	10	16	16	18	15	15	18	8	16	17	20	0	19	15
Are not doing enough	<b>52</b>	50	54	58	55	50	47	56	47	57	50	53	51	0	65	46
Don't know	<b>32</b>	27	36	26	29	32	38	30	35	35	34	29	29	0	16	39

Do you think the reaction of those within professional football, such as players, staff and club executives as a whole to the issue of racism in football has been an overreaction, underreaction, or about right?

Major overreaction	7	11	4	5	5	10	9	6	9	4	7	9	8	0	8	7
Somewhat overreaction	10	12	8	5	6	14	17	10	11	7	12	8	11	0	10	11
<b>TOTAL OVERREACTION</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>18</b>
About right	40	36	44	45	39	43	37	42	37	41	43	43	33	0	46	38
Somewhat underreaction	16	17	16	15	20	12	14	19	13	21	14	16	18	0	20	15
Major underreaction	9	9	8	11	10	7	6	9	8	10	6	11	10	0	10	8
<b>TOTAL UNDERREACTION</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>23</b>
Don't know	18	14	21	19	19	14	18	14	23	17	18	14	19	0	6	22

\*\*In some countries, professional football players and staff have chosen to kneel at the beginning of each game to show their support of the Black Lives Matter movement.\*\*  
 Would you support or oppose professional players and staff in your country k

Strongly support	32	26	38	48	39	27	17	37	26	49	29	29	31	0	36	31
Somewhat support	19	21	18	30	19	17	19	22	17	20	20	21	18	0	24	17
<b>TOTAL SUPPORT</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>48</b>
Somewhat oppose	12	11	13	7	9	17	15	12	12	10	13	13	11	0	12	12
Strongly oppose	20	26	15	7	13	26	35	16	26	13	21	21	22	0	20	21
<b>TOTAL OPPOSE</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>33</b>
Don't know	16	16	16	9	20	13	15	14	19	9	17	16	18	0	9	18