

YouGov Results - Return to Schools

Fieldwork: 25 February - 9 March 2021

Sample: 887 Teaching staff in England



Total	Job role							Are you...?	
	Headteacher/ Principal	Deputy or Assistant Headteacher	Other senior- level teacher (e.g. Key stage Leader, Assessment)	Teacher / lecturer	Supply teacher / lecturer	Senior leader	Teacher	Male	Female
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I

Thinking about the COVID-19 pandemic, how safe, if at all, do you think it will be for children to return to school as normal from the 8th of March?

Unweighted base	887	33	80	207	536	31	320	567	244	643
Base	855	34	77	190	523	30	302	553	221	634
Very safe	6%	11% *	4% *	4%	7%	12% **	5%	7%	9% I	5%
Fairly safe	43%	64% CDG*	62% CDFG*	44%	38%	47% **	51% CDG	38%	40%	44%
Not very safe	38%	22% *	29% *	38% F	40%	28% **	34%	39%	40%	37%
Not safe at all	11%	2% *	5% *	13% BF	12%	9% **	10%	12%	8%	12%
Don't know	3%	- *	- *	1%	4% CF	3% **	0%	4% CF	3%	3%
Net: Safe	49%	75% CDFG*	66% CDFG*	48%	44%	60% **	56% CDG	45%	49%	49%
Net: Unsafe	48%	25% *	34% *	52% ABF	52% ABF	38% **	44% AB	51% AB	48%	49%

Cell Contents (Column Percentage, Statistical Test Results), Statistics (Column Proportions/Means,(5%): A/B/C/D/E/F/G, H/I, J/K/L/M/N/O/P, Q/R/S, T/U/V/W/X/Y/Z/a

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Total	School type							Phase		
	Local authority maintained school	Academy	Grammar school	Independent/private school	Special school	Pupil Referral Unit	Free school	Primary	Secondary	All through
	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S

Thinking about the COVID-19 pandemic, how safe, if at all, do you think it will be for children to return to school as normal from the 8th of March?

Unweighted base	887	359	357	23	107	21	7	13	435	362	46
Base	855	364	339	19	98	20	5	12	471	313	36
Very safe	6%	5%	6%	3% **	10%	5% **	- **	22% **	6%	5%	4% *
Fairly safe	43%	46%	40%	55% **	43%	39% **	10% **	39% **	49% R	35%	37% *
Not very safe	38%	36%	41%	26% **	33%	34% **	75% **	25% **	33% Q	45% Q	42% *
Not safe at all	11%	11%	11%	11% **	9%	23% **	- **	- **	10%	12%	10% *
Don't know	3%	2%	2%	5% **	5%	- **	15% **	14% **	2%	3%	6% *
Net: Safe	49%	51%	45%	58% **	53%	43% **	10% **	61% **	55% R	40%	41% *
Net: Unsafe	48%	47%	53%	37% **	42%	57% **	75% **	25% **	43% Q	57% Q	52% *

Cell Contents (C/b/c/d/e/f/g/h/i, Minimum Base: 30 (**), Small Base: 100 (*))

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Total	Subject - primary										
	English	Maths	Science	Geography	Art	History	Design and technology	ICT	Modern foreign languages	Music	Physical education
	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	a	b	c	d

Thinking about the COVID-19 pandemic, how safe, if at all, do you think it will be for children to return to school as normal from the 8th of March?

Unweighted base	887	278	267	253	246	237	249	232	226	130	188	218
Base	855	308	295	279	272	265	276	259	251	146	211	243
Very safe	6%	7%	8%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	7%	6%	6%	7%
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Fairly safe	43%	48%	47%	48%	49%	49%	49%	50%	51%	47%	49%	48%
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Not very safe	38%	32%	32%	32%	31%	32%	32%	32%	30%	35%	33%	31%
Not safe at all	11%	10%	10%	11%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	9%	9%	11%
Don't know	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%
Net: Safe	49%	55%	55%	55%	56%	55%	55%	55%	58%	53%	55%	56%
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Net: Unsafe	48%	42%	42%	42%	41%	42%	41%	42%	40%	44%	42%	42%
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Total											
	Religious education	Citizenship	PSHEE	Other subject	I don't teach specific subjects	English	Maths	Science	Geography	Art and design	History
	e	f	g	h	i	A	B	C	D	E	F

Thinking about the COVID-19 pandemic, how safe, if at all, do you think it will be for children to return to school as normal from the 8th of March?

Unweighted base	887	237	130	235	26	82	68	38	69	18	7	32
Base	855	264	144	262	27	87	57	34	60	17	6	27
Very safe	6%	6%	8%	7%	6% **	4% *	4% *	5% *	7% *	16% **	- **	6% *
Fairly safe	43%	49%	45%	48%	49% **	51% *	36% *	33% *	38% *	9% **	41% **	43% *
Not very safe	38%	32% a	32%	32%	40% **	35% *	37% *	52% *	40% *	57% **	16% **	42% *
Not safe at all	11%	10%	10%	10%	4% **	9% *	18% *	7% *	14% *	19% **	28% **	7% *
Don't know	3%	3%	6% TVWXacdeg	3%	- **	1% *	4% *	3% *	1% *	- **	15% **	3% *
Net: Safe	49%	55%	52%	55%	55% **	55% *	40% *	38% *	45% *	24% **	41% **	49% *
Net: Unsafe	48%	42%	42%	42%	45% **	44% *	55% *	59% *	54% *	76% **	45% **	49% *

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Total	subject - secondary										
	Design and technology	ICT/ computer science	Modern foreign languages	Music	Physical education	Religious education	Citizenship	PSHEE	Psychology	Sociology	Economics
	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q

Thinking about the COVID-19 pandemic, how safe, if at all, do you think it will be for children to return to school as normal from the 8th of March?

Unweighted base	887	8	11	27	11	5	11	1	5	2	4	3
Base	855	7	10	25	9	4	10	1	5	2	3	2
Very safe	6%	-	8%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
Fairly safe	43%	52%	33%	45%	35%	37%	27%	-	-	-	46%	100%
		**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
Not very safe	38%	48%	43%	38%	65%	63%	48%	100%	83%	100%	54%	-
		**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
Not safe at all	11%	-	16%	10%	-	-	18%	-	17%	-	-	-
		**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
Don't know	3%	-	-	7%	-	-	8%	-	-	-	-	-
		**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
Net: Safe	49%	52%	41%	45%	35%	37%	27%	-	-	-	46%	100%
		**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
Net: Unsafe	48%	48%	59%	48%	65%	63%	65%	100%	100%	100%	54%	-
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Total				Key stage					
	Business studies	Other subject	I don't teach specific subjects	Key stage 1	Key stage 2	Key stage 3	Key stage 4	Key stage 5	None of these
	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z

Thinking about the COVID-19 pandemic, how safe, if at all, do you think it will be for children to return to school as normal from the 8th of March?

Unweighted base	887	3	28	11	213	335	378	374	256	64
Base	855	3	23	9	225	350	326	321	220	62
Very safe	6%	27%	-	16%	9%	6%	5%	5%	6%	5%
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Fairly safe	43%	-	29%	49%	46%	48%	34%	36%	41%	49%
		**	**	**	WX	WX			WX	WX*
Not very safe	38%	42%	53%	35%	34%	32%	45%	44%	41%	34%
		**	**	**			UV	UV	V	*
Not safe at all	11%	32%	14%	-	8%	11%	13%	12%	9%	10%
		**	**	**			Y	Y		*
Don't know	3%	-	4%	-	3%	2%	3%	3%	3%	2%
		**	**	**						*
Net: Safe	49%	27%	29%	65%	55%	54%	40%	41%	47%	55%
		**	**	**	WX	WX			WX	WX*
Net: Unsafe	48%	73%	67%	35%	42%	44%	57%	56%	50%	44%
		**	**	**			UVYZ	UVY		*

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Total	School size					North East	North West	Yorkshire and the Humber
	1-100	101-300	301-500	501-800	801+			
	g	h	i	j	k			

Thinking about the COVID-19 pandemic, how safe, if at all, do you think it will be for children to return to school as normal from the 8th of March?

Unweighted base	887	56	166	143	112	295	42	113	74
Base	855	57	177	150	106	259	41	113	72
Very safe	6%	16% hijk*	3%	5%	6%	6%	- *	7%	4%
Fairly safe	43%	40% *	48% k	49% k	44%	38%	21% *	40% l	44% l*
Not very safe	38%	37% *	34%	34%	38%	42%	47% *	37%	31% *
Not safe at all	11%	7% *	13%	10%	9%	11%	26% mopqrsty*	11%	18% t*
Don't know	3%	1% *	2%	3%	3%	3%	5% q*	5% q	4% *
Net: Safe	49%	55% *	51%	54%	50%	44%	21% *	46% l	48% l*
Net: Unsafe	48%	43% *	47%	43%	47%	53%	74% mnopqrsty*	48%	49% *

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Total	Region										
	East of England	West Midlands	East Midlands	London	South East	South West	Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland	Devolved nations	England
	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y

Thinking about the COVID-19 pandemic, how safe, if at all, do you think it will be for children to return to school as normal from the 8th of March?

Unweighted base	887	100	96	64	169	144	85	-	-	-	-	887
Base	855	72	93	103	144	134	83	-	-	-	-	855
Very safe	6%	4%	3%	8%	10%	6%	7%	-	-	-	-	6%
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Fairly safe	43%	38%	42%	47%	45%	48%	46%	-	-	-	-	43%
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Not very safe	38%	44%	47%	36%	32%	33%	42%	-	-	-	-	38%
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Not safe at all	11%	11%	8%	10%	11%	9%	4%	-	-	-	-	11%
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Don't know	3%	3%	1%	-	3%	3%	1%	-	-	-	-	3%
		*	*	*			*					
Net: Safe	49%	42%	44%	54%	54%	55%	53%	-	-	-	-	49%
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Net: Unsafe	48%	55%	55%	46%	43%	43%	46%	-	-	-	-	48%
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Total	Age				
	18-34	35-44	45-54	55+	45 +
	A	B	C	D	E

Thinking about the COVID-19 pandemic, how safe, if at all, do you think it will be for children to return to school as normal from the 8th of March?

Unweighted base	887	269	305	197	116	313
Base	855	279	305	175	97	272
Very safe	6%	6%	4%	10%	6%	9%
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Fairly safe	43%	43%	41%	42%	50%	45%
Not very safe	38%	40%	40%	32%	31%	32%
		E	E			
Not safe at all	11%	9%	12%	13%	11%	12%
Don't know	3%	3%	3%	3%	2%	3%
Net: Safe	49%	48%	45%	52%	57%	54%
					B	B
Net: Unsafe	48%	49%	52%	45%	42%	44%
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