

YouGov / Gatwick - Sussex results

Sample size: 1,000 adults in the combined local authorities of Adur, Arun, Chichester, Crawley, Horsham, Mid Sussex and Worthing
Fieldwork dates: 22 March - 13 April 2016

If there was a straight choice between expanding Gatwick or Heathrow, with whichever airport didn't expand staying the same size as it is today, which would you choose?

Unweighted base	1000
Base	1000
Gatwick Airport	53%
Heathrow Airport	27%
Not sure	20%

Which, if any, of these do you associate with expansion at Gatwick? Please tick all that apply.

Unweighted base	1000
Base	1000
Job creation	62%
Local road congestion	50%
Aircraft noise	48%
Pressure on local housing and infrastructure	43%
Disruption caused by the construction of an additional runway	43%
Local economic impact	41%
Better global connections	39%
Air quality	37%
Better local transport connections	34%
Other	5%
Don't know	6%

Please indicate which airport you think would be the better choice for each the following. - How quickly the runway can be delivered

Unweighted base	1000
Base	1000
Expansion of Heathrow	15%
Expansion of Gatwick	44%
Not sure	41%

Please indicate which airport you think would be the better choice for each the following. - Negative impact on quality of life for local residents (noise, air pollution etc.)

Unweighted base	1000
Base	1000
Expansion of Heathrow	31%
Expansion of Gatwick	37%
Not sure	31%

Please indicate which airport you think would be the better choice for each the following. - Built at the lowest cost to the taxpayer

Unweighted base	1000
Base	1000
Expansion of Heathrow	17%
Expansion of Gatwick	46%
Not sure	37%

Please indicate which airport you think would be the better choice for each the following. - Economic benefits to the whole of the UK

Unweighted base	1000
Base	1000
Expansion of Heathrow	31%
Expansion of Gatwick	34%
Not sure	34%

Please indicate which airport you think would be the better choice for each the following. - Encouraging more vigorous competition between airports and airlines

Unweighted base	1000
Base	1000
Expansion of Heathrow	19%
Expansion of Gatwick	49%
Not sure	32%

Please indicate which airport you think would be the better choice for each the following. - How certain it is that the runway can be delivered

Unweighted base	1000
Base	1000
Expansion of Heathrow	18%
Expansion of Gatwick	41%
Not sure	40%

Please indicate which airport you think would be the better choice for each the following. - Regeneration benefits to the local area

Unweighted base	1000
Base	1000
Expansion of Heathrow	19%
Expansion of Gatwick	52%
Not sure	30%

Thinking about Gatwick expansion, to what extent do you agree or disagree that the benefits outweigh the disadvantages for ... - Me and my family

Unweighted base	1000
Base	1000
Strongly agree	20%
Tend to agree	37%
Tend to disagree	11%
Strongly disagree	16%
Don't know	16%
Net: Strongly / tend to agree	57%
Net: Strongly / tend to disagree	27%

Bearing in mind that Gatwick will remain open whatever happens, how important or not do you think expanding Gatwick is for the local economy?

Unweighted base	1000
Base	1000
Very important	24%
Quite important	38%
Not very important	19%
Not at all important	7%
Don't know	12%
Net: Very / quite important	63%
Net: Not very / not at all important	26%