

YouGov Survey Results

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Overall, do you think immigration has had a positive or negative impact on your local area?

Very positive	8	2	16	11	16	2	9	8	12	11	6	4	10	6	18	9	4	6	11
Fairly positive	22	13	33	37	34	11	23	22	31	23	20	20	27	16	32	22	18	21	25
TOTAL POSITIVE	30	15	49	48	50	13	32	30	43	34	26	24	37	22	50	31	22	27	36
Neither positive nor negative	34	40	28	38	32	37	33	35	29	29	39	41	34	35	16	38	39	34	34
Fairly negative	17	25	12	11	10	27	17	17	10	17	18	19	15	19	18	14	19	19	13
Very negative	9	14	4	1	2	18	10	7	2	8	13	10	7	10	7	8	8	12	7
TOTAL NEGATIVE	26	39	16	12	12	45	27	24	12	25	31	29	22	29	25	22	27	31	20
Don't know	10	6	7	2	6	7	8	11	16	13	4	6	6	14	10	9	11	9	10

Overall, do you think immigration has had a positive or negative impact on the UK as a whole?

Very positive	10	2	20	15	19	2	11	10	16	14	8	4	13	7	19	12	6	8	9
Fairly positive	25	17	38	45	41	13	27	24	26	25	25	26	30	20	30	26	24	22	31
TOTAL POSITIVE	35	19	58	60	60	15	38	34	42	39	33	30	43	27	49	38	30	30	40
Neither positive nor negative	19	22	18	18	17	20	19	20	19	18	22	20	20	19	16	20	20	21	15
Fairly negative	24	36	15	16	15	36	23	25	17	21	26	30	22	26	19	23	28	25	21
Very negative	12	18	5	3	3	23	14	10	6	10	15	16	10	15	5	12	13	15	12
TOTAL NEGATIVE	36	54	20	19	18	59	37	35	23	31	41	46	32	41	24	35	41	40	33
Don't know	9	5	5	2	6	6	7	10	16	12	4	5	5	14	12	7	10	8	12

Some people have claimed that the Government's proposed new immigration rules would lead to there not being enough workers to fill jobs in certain sectors. From what you have seen and heard, do you think these claims are realistic or exaggerated?

I think they are exaggerated	27	42	17	10	13	45	29	25	11	26	33	30	25	31	21	28	27	31	21
I think they are realistic, but I don't think the impact will be serious	28	40	21	22	22	37	28	28	28	24	28	35	28	27	27	32	29	25	19
I think they are realistic, and I think the impact will be serious	30	12	49	61	54	9	29	30	33	28	31	29	36	21	40	29	23	28	42
Don't know	15	7	13	7	11	9	14	17	28	22	8	6	11	21	13	12	21	16	18

To what extent would you support or oppose introducing each of the following requirements for migrants coming to the UK?

Have a job offer from a government-approved employer

Strongly support	26	39	18	14	17	39	26	25	13	19	32	38	25	26	26	26	22	30	19
Somewhat support	38	44	33	43	39	39	37	38	33	39	38	39	39	37	31	40	43	36	32
TOTAL SUPPORT	64	83	51	57	56	78	63	63	46	58	70	77	64	63	57	66	65	66	51
Somewhat oppose	13	6	21	20	18	8	14	12	18	15	12	9	16	10	17	12	12	12	20
Strongly oppose	9	2	15	11	13	3	10	8	13	10	9	4	10	7	10	9	6	9	15
TOTAL OPPOSE	22	8	36	31	31	11	24	20	31	25	21	13	26	17	27	21	18	21	35
Don't know	14	8	13	12	13	11	12	16	24	17	10	10	10	20	16	13	17	13	15

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

Have a job at an appropriate skill level (i.e. no lower-skilled or unskilled workers)

Strongly support	25	37	13	11	14	38	27	23	17	24	26	29	22	29	22	23	27	28	17
Somewhat support	29	39	24	26	24	36	29	30	25	26	35	32	30	29	26	32	29	29	27
TOTAL SUPPORT	54	76	37	37	38	74	56	53	42	50	61	61	52	58	48	55	56	57	44
Somewhat oppose	18	12	24	29	25	12	18	18	16	19	16	19	20	15	18	19	18	16	19
Strongly oppose	14	4	28	25	26	5	14	15	18	15	14	11	18	10	18	14	11	15	22
TOTAL OPPOSE	32	16	52	54	51	17	32	33	34	34	30	30	38	25	36	33	29	31	41
Don't know	13	8	11	9	11	10	12	15	25	16	9	9	11	17	16	13	15	11	15

Able to speak English to a required standard

Strongly support	59	80	43	43	45	82	58	60	32	54	67	70	56	63	46	61	61	64	47
Somewhat support	25	17	32	44	32	15	26	24	32	25	23	25	28	21	30	24	26	23	29
TOTAL SUPPORT	84	97	75	87	77	97	84	84	64	79	90	95	84	84	76	85	87	87	76
Somewhat oppose	6	0	13	7	11	1	8	5	17	7	4	2	8	4	13	6	4	5	7
Strongly oppose	3	1	5	3	5	1	3	4	4	5	3	1	4	3	4	3	3	2	8
TOTAL OPPOSE	9	1	18	10	16	2	11	9	21	12	7	3	12	7	17	9	7	7	15
Don't know	6	2	6	3	7	2	6	7	14	9	4	2	4	9	7	6	6	5	10

Would be earning a salary of at least £20,480

Strongly support	15	25	10	6	9	23	17	13	16	14	18	15	15	16	21	14	15	15	13
Somewhat support	31	40	27	30	28	38	30	33	22	29	30	42	31	31	26	33	36	31	20
TOTAL SUPPORT	46	65	37	36	37	61	47	46	38	43	48	57	46	47	47	47	51	46	33
Somewhat oppose	22	18	28	30	29	17	22	23	26	21	23	23	25	19	16	23	25	20	33
Strongly oppose	13	5	21	20	19	7	15	11	12	15	14	9	14	11	19	13	7	14	16
TOTAL OPPOSE	35	23	49	50	48	24	37	34	38	36	37	32	39	30	35	36	32	34	49
Don't know	18	13	14	13	15	15	15	20	24	21	16	12	15	22	17	17	17	19	19

Would be earning a salary of at least £23,040

Strongly support	14	23	10	5	7	24	16	13	6	13	18	17	13	16	16	15	14	14	11
Somewhat support	28	36	21	20	23	34	31	25	33	23	31	33	28	28	25	28	34	29	20
TOTAL SUPPORT	42	59	31	25	30	58	47	38	39	36	49	50	41	44	41	43	48	43	31
Somewhat oppose	23	20	29	30	30	18	21	25	17	26	21	23	25	21	19	25	23	19	32
Strongly oppose	16	5	27	28	25	7	17	15	20	17	16	12	18	13	20	15	11	17	19
TOTAL OPPOSE	39	25	56	58	55	25	38	40	37	43	37	35	43	34	39	40	34	36	51
Don't know	18	15	13	16	15	17	15	21	25	22	13	15	16	22	20	17	17	21	18

Would be earning a salary of at least £25,600

Strongly support	14	22	7	4	8	24	16	13	12	12	18	16	13	16	15	15	15	15	7
Somewhat support	24	35	17	18	17	31	28	20	22	22	25	28	23	24	18	21	29	26	23
TOTAL SUPPORT	38	57	24	22	25	55	44	33	34	34	43	44	36	40	33	36	44	41	30
Somewhat oppose	24	21	30	28	29	22	21	26	17	22	26	27	26	21	25	25	24	20	27
Strongly oppose	19	6	32	36	30	7	19	19	26	22	17	13	22	15	22	21	13	19	24
TOTAL OPPOSE	43	27	62	64	59	29	40	45	43	44	43	40	48	36	47	46	37	39	51
Don't know	19	16	14	14	15	17	16	22	24	22	14	17	16	23	20	19	18	20	19

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

Have a job in a shortage occupation (i.e. a type of job that is in short supply)

Strongly support	36	52	29	37	34	47	34	38	18	34	38	45	38	33	32	41	35	33	31
Somewhat support	37	35	44	45	42	34	40	35	44	35	39	38	40	34	39	35	38	40	37
TOTAL SUPPORT	73	87	73	82	76	81	74	73	62	69	77	83	78	67	71	76	73	73	68
Somewhat oppose	7	4	8	6	7	6	8	7	8	8	7	6	7	7	9	6	8	7	8
Strongly oppose	5	2	8	4	6	3	6	5	10	6	4	3	5	5	5	4	2	8	10
TOTAL OPPOSE	12	6	16	10	13	9	14	12	18	14	11	9	12	12	14	10	10	15	18
Don't know	14	7	11	8	11	10	13	16	20	18	12	8	10	21	16	14	16	13	14

Are educated to at least A-level/Scottish Higher equivalent

Strongly support	18	25	13	10	11	26	19	17	19	17	20	19	18	19	21	15	20	18	21
Somewhat support	32	41	27	31	28	38	34	30	22	31	31	38	30	34	25	34	32	31	31
TOTAL SUPPORT	50	66	40	41	39	64	53	47	41	48	51	57	48	53	46	49	52	49	52
Somewhat oppose	22	19	28	31	30	17	21	24	18	22	26	22	27	16	24	26	22	19	14
Strongly oppose	12	4	18	20	18	4	12	11	16	12	11	10	14	9	13	9	10	15	17
TOTAL OPPOSE	34	23	46	51	48	21	33	35	34	34	37	32	41	25	37	35	32	34	31
Don't know	16	11	14	9	12	15	14	18	26	18	13	11	12	22	17	16	16	16	17

Are educated to at least degree level

Strongly support	12	17	7	5	6	18	12	11	12	10	15	13	10	14	10	11	14	15	8
Somewhat support	25	33	19	16	20	31	28	22	21	24	24	28	25	25	28	25	25	25	19
TOTAL SUPPORT	37	50	26	21	26	49	40	33	33	34	39	41	35	39	38	36	39	40	27
Somewhat oppose	31	31	36	35	35	29	28	34	27	30	34	33	33	28	26	33	32	29	36
Strongly oppose	18	8	28	37	29	8	20	17	25	20	17	14	22	14	20	19	17	16	21
TOTAL OPPOSE	49	39	64	72	64	37	48	51	52	50	51	47	55	42	46	52	49	45	57
Don't know	14	11	11	6	10	14	12	16	15	16	10	12	10	19	17	13	12	14	15

Have a PhD in any subject relevant to their job

Strongly support	13	18	11	4	8	19	15	12	11	12	16	15	12	16	13	12	15	15	10
Somewhat support	24	33	18	20	19	33	25	23	14	23	24	30	22	26	20	27	20	24	25
TOTAL SUPPORT	37	51	29	24	27	52	40	35	25	35	40	45	34	42	33	39	35	39	35
Somewhat oppose	22	22	23	27	24	20	23	22	28	21	23	21	25	19	26	22	20	22	25
Strongly oppose	22	14	33	37	33	11	22	23	30	23	23	17	27	17	23	22	23	21	24
TOTAL OPPOSE	44	36	56	64	57	31	45	45	58	44	46	38	52	36	49	44	43	43	49
Don't know	18	14	14	12	15	17	16	21	17	21	15	17	15	23	18	17	22	18	17

Have a PhD in a science/technology/engineering/maths subject relevant to their job

Strongly support	15	22	12	6	9	22	17	13	12	14	16	16	13	17	14	15	15	17	8
Somewhat support	27	36	22	26	23	37	29	26	15	24	33	34	28	27	26	27	30	26	29
TOTAL SUPPORT	42	58	34	32	32	59	46	39	27	38	49	50	41	44	40	42	45	43	37
Somewhat oppose	20	22	21	26	24	18	19	21	18	19	23	20	22	18	20	22	20	19	21
Strongly oppose	20	7	33	33	29	8	20	19	35	21	15	15	23	16	21	19	17	21	24
TOTAL OPPOSE	40	29	54	59	53	26	39	40	53	40	38	35	45	34	41	41	37	40	45
Don't know	18	13	13	9	15	15	15	20	19	22	12	15	14	22	20	17	18	17	18

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	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Does not have a criminal record for major/violent crimes																				
Strongly support	76	88	70	81	74	88	74	78	58	72	79	87	76	75	71	77	78	78	68	
Somewhat support	13	8	19	15	17	8	14	12	17	14	13	9	15	11	15	14	11	12	15	
TOTAL SUPPORT	89	96	89	96	91	96	88	90	75	86	92	96	91	86	86	91	89	90	83	
Somewhat oppose	3	1	3	1	2	1	4	2	8	3	2	1	3	2	5	1	3	2	7	
Strongly oppose	2	1	2	3	3	1	2	3	3	3	1	1	2	2	2	3	1	2	2	
TOTAL OPPOSE	5	2	5	4	5	2	6	5	11	6	3	2	5	4	7	4	4	4	9	
Don't know	6	3	5	1	5	3	6	6	14	8	4	2	4	9	7	5	7	6	8	
Does not have a criminal record for minor/non-violent crimes																				
Strongly support	55	73	43	49	45	74	52	58	36	50	63	65	55	55	49	58	53	58	47	
Somewhat support	24	20	29	37	31	18	24	24	24	25	23	24	26	22	25	23	28	23	24	
TOTAL SUPPORT	79	93	72	86	76	92	76	82	60	75	86	89	81	77	74	81	81	81	71	
Somewhat oppose	8	3	15	9	11	3	10	6	19	8	6	5	10	5	9	8	6	7	12	
Strongly oppose	4	1	6	4	6	1	4	3	6	6	2	1	3	4	6	3	3	3	6	
TOTAL OPPOSE	12	4	21	13	17	4	14	9	25	14	8	6	13	9	15	11	9	10	18	
Don't know	9	3	8	1	8	5	9	8	15	12	6	4	6	13	11	8	10	8	10	