

YouGov / Economist Survey Results

YouGov questioned 1,644 electors throughout Great Britain online on 7 and 8 december 2004. The results have been weighted to the profile of all adults.

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Thinking about Britain's needs over the next few years, which statement do you most agree with?

We shall need more skilled and unskilled workers	40	36	42	42	43	35	39	40	39	43	38	37	39
We shall need more skilled workers	42	47	38	38	38	50	44	40	39	42	39	45	49
We shall need more unskilled workers	3	3	4	4	3	2	4	3	5	3	4	3	2
We won't need any more workers	8	10	7	7	10	8	8	9	9	8	10	8	6
Don't know	6	5	8	10	6	4	5	8	7	5	9	6	5

Do you think people in your neighbourhood would approve or disapprove if more people from each of the following groups moved to your area?

Australians

Approve	22	24	20	22	20	23	22	22	21	23	21	22	22
Not mind	63	60	65	63	62	64	63	62	59	61	64	65	64
Disapprove	5	6	5	6	5	5	5	6	6	5	5	5	4
Don't know	10	9	11	9	13	8	10	10	14	12	10	7	10

Black Africans

Approve	3	3	3	5	2	2	3	3	4	2	2	5	5
Not mind	36	33	39	43	36	29	34	38	33	33	37	38	41
Disapprove	43	50	37	34	43	51	43	43	46	46	43	41	32
Don't know	18	14	22	18	19	18	20	16	17	19	18	16	22

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Iraqis

Approve	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	2	0	1	2	3
Not mind	15	16	15	18	14	15	17	14	17	14	15	14	22
Disapprove	64	67	62	62	65	65	62	67	60	67	64	68	53
Don't know	19	15	22	18	20	19	20	18	21	19	20	16	22

Pakistanis

Approve	2	2	2	3	3	2	2	3	4	2	2	2	5
Not mind	24	25	23	28	23	22	25	23	27	23	23	23	31
Disapprove	56	59	53	53	56	58	54	58	53	56	58	60	42
Don't know	18	14	21	16	19	18	19	17	17	19	18	15	22

Polish

Approve	6	7	5	5	4	8	5	6	6	5	6	7	6
Not mind	50	52	49	50	46	55	50	50	46	49	50	54	54
Disapprove	25	26	24	27	27	21	25	25	30	26	26	23	19
Don't know	19	15	23	17	23	17	19	18	18	21	19	17	21

Romanians

Approve	3	3	3	3	2	2	3	3	3	1	2	4	4
Not mind	29	28	30	34	27	26	28	30	26	27	27	31	38
Disapprove	48	52	44	44	47	52	48	48	51	50	50	46	36
Don't know	21	17	24	19	24	20	22	20	20	22	21	19	22

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West Indians

Approve	4	4	3	6	3	3	4	4	4	3	3	5	5
Not mind	36	35	38	41	38	31	36	36	34	37	37	37	34
Disapprove	41	45	36	35	39	47	40	42	41	40	41	41	38
Don't know	19	16	23	18	20	20	20	18	21	20	19	17	23

Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: 'Too many immigrants are coming to Britain'

Agree	74	72	75	72	74	75	68	81	72	77	73	77	57
Disagree	18	22	15	21	18	17	24	12	23	16	16	16	30
Don't know	8	7	9	8	8	8	9	7	5	7	11	7	13

From what you know, which one of these is the main reason why too many immigrants are coming to Britain?

Too many people are given work permits to come to Britain	7	8	6	6	6	8	7	7	7	9	4	7	9
Too many asylum-seekers are let in	52	51	52	55	57	44	48	55	47	54	53	51	49
Too many people are being let in to marry immigrants who are already here	5	4	5	4	4	5	4	5	6	2	6	6	5
There are too many illegal immigrants	34	35	32	32	29	39	38	30	36	33	34	34	33
None of these	2	1	2	2	2	2	1	3	2	2	1	2	2
Don't know	1	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	3	1	2	1	3

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From what you know, which one of these is the biggest problem that results from too many immigrants coming to Britain?

Immigration is upsetting the racial balance in the country	25	30	22	20	22	33	28	22	24	25	29	26	15
Immigrants are putting too much pressure on public services	53	50	56	52	55	52	55	51	49	55	53	53	54
Immigration is having a bad effect on the jobs market	6	4	9	10	6	3	4	9	8	5	5	6	11
Immigrants commit a high proportion of crime in Britain	10	12	8	10	11	8	8	11	13	11	8	8	10
None of these	3	3	3	5	3	2	2	4	3	1	3	6	5
Don't know	2	2	3	3	3	1	2	3	3	2	2	2	6

YouGov Weighting Data

In addition to weighting by age, gender, social class and region (weighted and unweighted figures shown in the tables), YouGov also weighted its raw data by newspaper readership and past vote:

Recalled vote in 2001:	Unweighted no.	Weighted no.
Labour	725	693
Conservative	351	346
Liberal Democrat	188	164
Scottish / Welsh Nationalist	37	26
Other	53	9
Did not vote	290	415

Newspaper readership:	Unweighted no.	Weighted no.
Express / Mail	289	265
Sun / Star	277	364
Mirror / Record	236	266
Guardian/ Independent	129	66
Financial Times / Times / Telegraph	170	158
Other paper	180	207
No paper	363	329

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