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How well or badly do you think the Government is handling the coronavirus outbreak?

Very well	14	30	3	8	9	22	12	16	4	10	20	21	14	15	7	15	17	16	10
Fairly well	47	58	33	47	40	56	45	49	39	44	51	52	46	49	42	49	49	45	47
TOTAL WELL	61	88	36	55	49	78	57	65	43	54	71	73	60	64	49	64	66	61	57
Fairly badly	21	10	35	29	27	14	22	21	31	26	14	16	23	20	31	19	21	20	19
Very badly	12	1	27	13	20	5	14	9	10	13	14	9	13	11	15	10	10	12	20
TOTAL BADLY	33	11	62	42	47	19	36	30	41	39	28	25	36	31	46	29	31	32	39
Don't know	5	1	3	4	4	3	6	5	17	7	1	2	5	6	5	7	4	6	3

Do you think Boris Johnson should take paternity leave now, or wait until later in the year?

Should take paternity leave now	9	5	12	15	12	6	11	8	12	12	8	6	10	8	11	10	9	8	12
Should wait until later in the year	72	85	70	69	71	80	71	73	62	66	75	84	73	71	72	69	76	71	76
Not sure	19	10	19	16	17	14	19	19	26	22	17	10	17	21	18	21	15	21	12

Thinking about other senior members of the cabinet, who do you have the most confidence in to make the right decisions over the coronavirus outbreak?

Rishi Sunak	19	23	18	30	23	19	19	18	12	20	20	18	23	13	23	20	18	16	14
Dominic Raab	12	20	6	11	8	19	13	10	7	9	14	17	12	12	8	12	12	12	16
Michael Gove	4	7	1	3	2	5	5	3	8	3	2	6	5	3	5	5	3	4	1
Priti Patel	1	3	0	0	1	2	2	1	3	1	2	1	1	2	2	1	1	2	0
Matt Hancock	10	16	8	8	10	12	8	11	6	7	13	12	10	9	8	10	12	11	4
None of these	26	8	47	27	35	17	28	23	22	29	24	23	26	26	28	22	25	27	31
Don't know	29	23	21	20	22	27	24	34	42	31	25	23	24	36	26	29	30	28	34

Who would you trust more to lead Britain through the coronavirus outbreak?

Boris Johnson	48	91	13	32	30	76	46	50	28	37	60	65	46	51	37	54	52	48	31
Keir Starmer	19	1	45	38	35	5	23	15	21	21	20	13	25	11	30	18	15	18	18
Neither	13	4	19	9	15	10	14	12	14	17	9	10	12	15	13	9	13	14	29
Don't know	20	4	23	20	20	10	17	23	37	25	12	11	18	23	20	19	20	21	22

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Thinking about the approach the Labour party take during the coronavirus outbreak, which of the following best reflects your view?

Labour should robustly criticise the government when they think they are doing things wrong in the same way they would at any other time	22	6	43	33	35	9	25	19	27	25	19	16	25	17	27	19	20	21	33
Labour should support the Government over their handling of the coronavirus where possible, and not "oppose for opposition's sake"	62	89	45	57	53	83	62	63	46	54	73	74	61	64	56	66	65	64	49
Neither	4	2	5	5	4	3	3	5	2	6	2	4	4	5	6	3	5	4	4
Don't know	12	4	7	5	7	6	10	13	25	15	6	6	10	15	11	12	10	11	14

Thinking back, how well or badly do you think the Government had prepared for the possibility of a pandemic?

Very well	2	4	1	1	1	4	2	2	0	2	1	3	2	2	3	1	2	3	0
Fairly well	20	37	5	10	13	31	20	20	9	17	26	25	18	24	14	23	26	18	11
TOTAL WELL	22	41	6	11	14	35	22	22	9	19	27	28	20	26	17	24	28	21	11
Fairly badly	38	38	36	46	39	38	35	41	40	37	40	38	38	38	35	38	37	41	39
Very badly	29	10	54	35	42	17	32	26	31	33	26	24	32	25	36	26	25	28	42
TOTAL BADLY	67	48	90	81	81	55	67	67	71	70	66	62	70	63	71	64	62	69	81
Don't know	11	11	3	8	6	11	11	11	19	11	7	10	10	12	12	12	11	11	7

Thinking about the decision to put Britain into lockdown on March 23rd, do you think this was done...

Too early	2	3	1	1	1	2	3	1	7	2	1	0	2	1	2	2	1	2	1
Too late	62	47	83	71	74	52	61	64	63	65	59	61	62	63	71	57	63	62	66
At about the right time	29	46	12	20	20	41	29	28	17	26	35	33	30	27	18	31	30	30	28
Not sure	7	4	3	8	5	6	7	7	13	8	5	6	6	9	10	9	6	6	5

What do you think is the bigger threat to the UK at the present time?

The health impact from people catching the coronavirus	31	26	41	28	36	26	32	30	40	35	28	24	33	29	33	28	32	34	31
The economic impact from the coronavirus lockdown	23	29	18	19	21	26	27	18	21	25	23	19	25	20	28	25	19	19	22
Both equally	43	44	39	49	41	47	37	48	25	37	48	55	40	46	35	42	47	43	44
Not sure	4	0	1	4	2	1	4	3	14	4	1	2	3	5	5	4	2	4	3

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Are you more worried about the impact of the coronavirus on older or younger generations?

Older generations, who are at the most immediate risk from dying from the coronavirus	38	39	41	36	38	40	43	33	46	37	38	35	39	36	40	35	37	39	46
Younger generations, who have more to lose from the longer term economic impact of the coronavirus	11	11	11	14	13	9	11	10	14	12	10	7	12	9	10	11	11	10	8
Both equally	45	47	44	47	44	48	37	52	22	44	47	54	43	46	42	48	45	43	40
Neither	3	2	2	1	2	2	3	2	2	3	3	2	1	4	1	2	4	2	3
Don't know	4	1	2	3	3	1	5	3	16	4	2	2	5	4	7	4	2	6	3

How worried are you about the impact of the coronavirus outbreak on...

You and your family's health?

Very worried	22	24	22	19	22	25	16	28	12	19	26	29	21	25	23	21	22	24	21
Fairly worried	46	46	48	47	49	45	44	47	37	48	44	47	46	46	44	45	47	47	44
TOTAL WORRIED	68	70	70	66	71	70	60	75	49	67	70	76	67	71	67	66	69	71	65
Not very worried	26	24	28	32	26	25	31	21	37	26	25	20	29	22	26	29	26	22	26
Not worried at all	4	5	2	1	3	4	5	2	4	4	5	3	3	5	3	4	3	4	6
TOTAL NOT WORRIED	30	29	30	33	29	29	36	23	41	30	30	23	32	27	29	33	29	26	32
Don't know	3	1	1	1	1	1	4	2	10	3	0	0	2	3	5	1	2	4	3

You and your family's financial situation?

Very worried	13	12	13	10	14	13	14	13	4	16	15	11	13	14	18	12	11	13	17
Fairly worried	35	35	38	36	37	34	33	38	30	38	37	32	32	39	38	37	33	36	31
TOTAL WORRIED	48	47	51	46	51	47	47	51	34	54	52	43	45	53	56	49	44	49	48
Not very worried	40	42	42	42	41	42	39	41	49	36	39	44	43	35	30	44	41	38	41
Not worried at all	9	10	6	10	7	11	12	7	6	8	9	13	10	8	10	6	12	10	10
TOTAL NOT WORRIED	49	52	48	52	48	53	51	48	55	44	48	57	53	43	40	50	53	48	51
Don't know	2	0	1	1	1	1	3	2	11	3	0	0	2	3	4	1	2	4	2

Thinking about your current employment situation, do you think you will or will not have a job in six months time?

Definitely will	18	18	18	18	18	19	16	19	18	24	21	2	20	15	17	16	24	15	17
Probably will	26	20	33	34	32	21	29	23	31	37	23	6	29	21	32	27	20	25	29
Probably will not	6	3	6	4	6	3	6	5	10	7	5	2	7	4	6	5	6	5	6
Definitely will not	1	1	2	3	1	1	2	1	2	2	1	1	1	2	1	0	2	3	3
Not sure	12	10	13	7	13	9	14	11	17	18	11	3	10	16	10	13	14	11	11
Not applicable - I am retired, in education or not seeking work for some other reason	37	48	27	34	30	46	34	40	23	13	39	86	33	43	34	39	35	40	34

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When do you think you will next be able to have a foreign holiday?

This summer	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	2	0	5	0	1	1	1
Later this year	10	9	12	14	12	7	12	8	17	11	9	6	13	6	15	11	10	8	6
Next year	33	33	35	37	37	30	32	33	45	33	31	28	37	27	34	32	33	31	35
Not for a couple of years	18	20	18	22	21	19	16	19	12	19	16	19	20	15	12	19	18	18	20
Not for many years	6	4	6	4	5	5	6	5	2	6	7	4	5	7	5	5	7	5	8
Not sure	13	12	13	13	14	13	11	15	7	13	12	16	12	14	17	14	10	13	12
Not applicable - I never take foreign holidays anyway	20	20	15	10	10	25	21	18	16	17	22	25	12	30	13	19	22	24	18

Thinking about the coronavirus outbreak in Britain, do you think...

We are now past the worst of the outbreak	31	39	26	34	30	35	33	30	33	33	29	30	34	28	29	32	34	31	27
We are currently at the worst point of the outbreak	35	37	35	35	34	37	34	37	39	31	38	38	38	32	34	35	34	37	36
The worst of the outbreak is yet to come	12	9	19	8	14	10	15	10	15	13	12	10	13	11	11	13	12	13	13
Not sure	21	15	20	23	21	18	18	24	13	22	21	22	15	28	25	20	20	20	24

In the past week, have you...

Continued to follow the lockdown rules as strictly as before	88	89	92	93	91	91	87	89	81	86	92	91	91	85	89	89	88	88	88
Followed the lockdown rules more strictly than I was previously	2	3	1	1	2	3	2	2	1	3	1	2	2	3	2	2	2	2	2
Followed the lockdown rules less strictly than I was previously	5	3	6	3	5	4	4	6	5	6	4	4	5	6	4	5	6	5	5
I have not really been following the lockdown rules anyway	2	4	1	0	1	2	4	0	8	1	2	1	2	3	1	2	1	3	2
Not sure	2	1	0	2	2	1	2	2	5	3	1	1	1	4	3	1	2	3	3

Which of the following pastimes have you found the most valuable during the lockdown period? Please pick up to two or three.

Watching television	44	46	43	48	44	50	42	46	36	41	48	50	43	46	44	44	47	44	42
Reading books	32	34	35	34	35	32	25	38	26	27	33	40	32	30	34	35	32	28	26
Exercising	32	32	33	40	36	28	31	33	38	31	34	28	36	26	38	32	32	30	28
Gardening	31	41	25	29	31	39	27	34	3	20	41	51	33	28	22	32	37	29	25
Cooking	24	20	25	20	25	21	20	27	19	28	20	22	22	26	29	19	26	26	25
Having video chats	21	20	27	26	28	19	15	27	20	24	20	18	22	20	30	21	23	17	15
Playing computer games	18	12	19	15	14	18	23	13	29	20	12	13	17	19	13	17	20	17	22
Drinking alcohol	13	12	15	15	14	13	17	9	6	17	11	10	11	14	12	11	16	13	11
Doing quizzes	10	12	11	8	10	10	7	12	13	9	9	10	10	9	8	11	10	9	7
Having sex	5	4	7	2	7	4	8	3	5	9	2	1	5	5	6	3	5	6	9
Playing board games	4	3	6	4	5	4	4	5	3	6	2	4	5	4	3	4	3	7	4
None of these	6	8	5	7	5	7	8	5	8	6	8	5	6	7	4	7	5	8	6
Don't know	3	1	2	1	2	1	5	1	12	3	1	1	3	3	3	3	1	3	4

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Thinking about how Britain will eventually leave the lockdown period, which of the following best reflects your view?

The Government should set out its plan for ending the lockdown period now, even if it doesn't happen for some time	49	40	63	47	54	43	48	50	60	52	46	41	53	43	53	47	45	51	54
There is no need for the Government to set out the plan for ending the lockdown period until closer to the time it will happen	41	55	29	42	36	50	42	39	24	37	45	51	39	42	33	41	46	41	35
Not sure	11	5	8	11	9	7	10	11	16	11	9	8	7	15	14	12	9	8	10

When the time comes to end the lockdown restrictions, do you think the government should...

End the restrictions for the whole country at the same time	25	27	29	25	28	27	29	21	20	24	30	26	26	24	27	20	28	29	26
End the restrictions sooner for parts of the country where the outbreak is less severe	54	55	51	62	53	54	53	54	60	55	49	53	56	50	51	56	52	51	60
Not sure	21	18	20	13	18	19	18	25	21	22	21	21	18	25	22	25	20	20	14

Would you support or oppose schools being re-opened in the next few weeks?

Support	28	35	22	31	25	34	32	24	20	26	30	32	31	23	28	35	22	23	23
Oppose	47	42	55	45	50	44	44	51	56	50	47	40	45	50	49	40	54	49	54
Don't know	25	23	23	24	25	22	24	26	24	24	23	28	23	27	23	25	24	28	22

If the lockdown period ended in the next few weeks, how confident would you be that it was safe to go back to your place of work?

Very confident	7	8	7	6	6	8	9	5	10	10	5	2	8	6	7	8	9	5	4
Fairly confident	18	16	15	18	16	17	21	15	20	24	19	4	19	16	12	18	17	17	25
TOTAL CONFIDENT	25	24	22	24	22	25	30	20	30	34	24	6	27	22	19	26	26	22	29
Not very confident	16	13	18	22	22	12	17	15	17	21	14	7	17	14	19	14	14	18	15
Not confident at all	14	10	22	13	17	12	12	16	12	18	15	9	15	13	22	13	15	12	15
TOTAL NOT CONFIDENT	30	23	40	35	39	24	29	31	29	39	29	16	32	27	41	27	29	30	30
Not sure	3	1	3	4	3	2	2	3	6	4	2	1	2	4	3	3	3	2	3
Not applicable - I am not in work, or have continued to attend my place of work anyway	42	51	35	36	35	50	38	47	35	23	45	77	39	47	36	44	41	46	38

Thinking about people aged over 70, do you think they should...

Come out of isolation once the peak of the outbreak is over and the lockdown restrictions are relaxed for other people	23	30	18	31	22	29	25	22	8	14	27	43	23	25	20	26	21	23	25
Remain in isolation for a longer period of time after the lockdown restrictions are lifted, possibly until a vaccine is available	57	54	60	52	58	54	58	57	67	67	53	39	59	56	61	53	60	59	58
Not sure	19	16	22	17	20	16	17	21	25	18	20	17	19	20	19	21	19	18	17

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And thinking about people aged under 70, but with underlying health conditions, do you think they should...

Come out of isolation once the peak of the outbreak is over and the lockdown restrictions are relaxed for other people	19	22	15	18	18	22	21	18	13	19	19	24	19	19	21	18	19	19	22
Remain in isolation for a longer period of time after the lockdown restrictions are lifted, possibly until a vaccine is available	63	64	65	65	65	65	61	64	60	65	64	59	64	61	58	60	66	65	64
Not sure	18	14	20	17	17	13	18	18	28	16	17	17	17	20	21	22	15	16	14

Which of the following best reflects your view?

The government should act to protect older and more vulnerable people by preventing them going out and risking catching the coronavirus	41	36	46	43	45	37	42	39	51	46	40	27	42	39	44	36	41	42	47
Older and more vulnerable people should be free to make their own decisions on whether to go out and risk catching the coronavirus	46	56	39	47	41	54	44	47	29	39	50	60	46	45	45	48	45	44	41
Not sure	14	9	15	9	14	8	14	14	21	14	11	13	12	16	10	15	14	14	11

How long do you think Britain will take to fully recover from the coronavirus outbreak?

Less than six months	1	2	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	2	1	2	1	2	3	1	2	0	2
Between six months and a year	17	16	15	14	15	17	16	18	24	16	18	13	16	18	21	15	22	16	7
One or two years	36	41	31	35	34	39	37	34	36	33	37	39	36	35	34	38	31	35	42
Three or four year	19	19	20	21	22	19	17	21	10	21	21	19	21	17	17	20	19	19	21
Five to ten years	12	13	14	15	13	14	13	12	10	11	12	16	13	11	10	12	12	12	17
More than ten years	4	3	6	5	5	3	5	3	2	5	3	4	5	2	5	4	3	4	5
Not sure	10	6	11	10	9	6	11	10	17	11	8	9	7	14	9	10	11	13	6

The NHS is currently prioritising the coronavirus. What other medical conditions do you think it is most important for them to continue treating at this time? Please tick up to two

Cancer	68	77	67	71	68	76	64	73	61	63	72	79	70	66	70	70	68	66	67
Diabetes	2	2	1	3	2	2	3	2	2	1	4	2	2	3	1	2	3	2	5
Mental health	22	17	27	26	24	18	20	23	31	25	16	17	22	21	23	21	26	18	23
Strokes	18	19	17	24	19	18	17	20	14	15	21	25	20	16	19	21	17	17	17
Heart conditions	31	37	29	28	27	37	34	28	28	25	34	41	29	35	32	28	33	32	35
Maternity & neonatal care	27	26	31	28	31	26	21	32	22	35	25	17	28	26	26	29	24	25	33
Something else	1	1	1	0	1	1	3	0	0	2	2	1	1	2	0	2	2	0	1
Don't know	12	8	10	9	11	9	15	9	17	14	10	7	11	14	12	10	12	16	8

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Fieldwork: 30th April - 1st May 2020

	Vote in 2019 GE			EU Ref 2016		Gender		Age				Social Grade		Region					
Total	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Remain	Leave	Male	Female	18-24	25-49	50-64	65+	ABC1	C2DE	London	Rest of South	Midlands / Wales	North	Scotland	
Weighted Sample	1654	561	410	149	614	655	804	850	180	690	399	385	943	711	198	556	359	399	142
Unweighted Sample	1654	601	455	148	708	693	721	933	130	694	392	438	985	669	184	566	377	388	139
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Britain left the European Union in January and is currently in a transition period while a longer term trade relationship with the EU is negotiated. The transition period is currently due to end in December.

Do you think the transition period should be extended to allow more time for trade negotiations, or should the transition period end as planned on 31st December?

Should be extended to allow more time for trade negotiations	50	27	74	82	73	29	51	49	56	57	46	39	57	40	59	46	49	48	59
Should end as planned on 31st December	35	65	13	12	16	61	38	33	21	26	43	52	31	41	24	40	39	34	28
Not sure	15	8	13	6	12	10	11	18	23	17	11	9	11	19	17	14	12	17	13