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Sample Size: 1643 GB Adults

Fieldwork: 5th - 6th November 2017

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[Respondents randomly saw one of the following questions]

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Increase skilled immigration from outside Europe, keeping net migration at 275,000, raising the skilled share from 40% to 50%	34	28	43	50	40	29	31	37	40	31	36	34	35	33	51	30	28	35	38
Decrease skilled immigration from outside Europe, decreasing net migration from 275,000 to 125,000, lowering the skilled share from 40% to 20%	30	44	24	19	17	45	37	24	20	30	40	30	30	31	24	35	46	19	22
Don't know	36	28	33	31	43	26	32	39	41	40	24	36	35	36	25	36	26	46	40

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Increase skilled immigration from Africa and Asia, keeping net migration at 275,000, raising the skilled share from 40% to 50%	18	16	26	20	37	9	18	18	11	19	20	15	22	12	15	18	16	18	23
Decrease skilled immigration from Africa and Asia, decreasing net migration from 275,000 to 125,000, lowering the skilled share from 40% to 20%	40	67	33	21	27	62	46	33	41	26	53	52	41	38	21	47	33	58	18
Don't know	43	17	41	60	37	28	37	49	48	55	27	33	38	50	63	36	51	25	58

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Increase skilled immigration from outside Europe, increasing net migration from 275,000 to 375,000, raising the skilled share from 40% to 60%	31	28	40	44	40	28	32	31	50	31	24	30	34	24	27	29	34	30	43
Decrease skilled immigration from outside Europe, decreasing net migration from 275,000 to 125,000, lowering the skilled share from 40% to 20%	29	43	17	8	17	42	34	23	19	26	34	31	29	29	34	35	28	18	18
Don't know	40	30	42	48	42	29	34	46	31	43	42	39	37	47	40	36	38	52	39

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Increase high-educated immigration from outside Europe, keeping net migration at 275,000, raising the share with university degrees from 40% to 50%	25	23	34	52	37	19	27	23	38	20	25	29	29	20	35	22	21	27	34
Decrease high-educated immigration from outside Europe, decreasing net migration from 275,000 to 125,000, lowering the share with university degrees from 40% to 20%	31	37	17	16	13	47	39	23	22	24	38	40	27	37	40	31	31	29	20
Don't know	44	40	49	33	50	34	34	53	40	55	37	31	44	43	25	47	47	44	46

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Don't know	43	22	51	48	48	31	35	49	46	55	32	29	43	42	35	41	57	35	45

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Don't know	38	21	52	52	44	27	33	42	53	40	42	21	33	42	32	42	37	34	43

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Decrease immigration from outside Europe, decreasing net migration from 275,000 to 75,000, lowering the skilled share from 40% to 15%. As a result, the White British share of the UK's population will decline from 80% today to 70% in 2060. Those in favour say this is the best option for protecting British culture	47	63	29	37	29	71	48	47	11	42	54	61	45	50	42	47	53	51	33
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Don't know	32	17	40	29	46	18	26	38	38	35	26	27	30	35	20	28	20	44	49