

# YouGov- Cambridge Centre/ All markets Conspiracy Theories

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How much, if at all, do you trust the following to tell the truth? (Please select one option on each row)

## Journalists

	Italy	Portugal	Poland	France	United States	Sweden	Germany	Hungary	GB
Unweighted base	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
<b>Base: All country adults</b>	<b>1012</b>	<b>1003</b>	<b>1016</b>	<b>1019</b>	<b>1223</b>	<b>1009</b>	<b>2065</b>	<b>1005</b>	<b>2171</b>
A great deal	3%	2%	3%	4%	14%	14%	6%	1%	2%
A fair amount	29%	25%	24%	36%	27%	30%	38%	13%	16%
Not much	47%	57%	55%	31%	29%	28%	31%	56%	46%
Not at all	20%	14%	16%	23%	22%	24%	17%	28%	31%
Don't know	1%	2%	3%	6%	8%	4%	7%	3%	6%
Refus de répondre	-	-	-	0%	-	-	-	-	-

## Trade union leaders

	Italy	Portugal	Poland	France	United States	Sweden	Germany	Hungary	GB
Unweighted base	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
<b>Base: All country adults</b>	<b>1012</b>	<b>1003</b>	<b>1016</b>	<b>1019</b>	<b>1223</b>	<b>1009</b>	<b>2065</b>	<b>1005</b>	<b>2171</b>
A great deal	2%	1%	2%	4%	7%	11%	4%	2%	4%
A fair amount	17%	10%	13%	25%	23%	30%	34%	18%	23%
Not much	40%	52%	44%	30%	28%	29%	35%	51%	36%
Not at all	38%	35%	36%	32%	23%	22%	17%	23%	23%
Don't know	3%	2%	5%	9%	20%	8%	10%	7%	14%
Refus de répondre	-	-	-	1%	-	-	-	-	-

## Academics

	Italy	Portugal	Poland	France	United States	Sweden	Germany	Hungary	GB
Unweighted base	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
<b>Base: All country adults</b>	<b>1012</b>	<b>1003</b>	<b>1016</b>	<b>1019</b>	<b>1223</b>	<b>1009</b>	<b>2065</b>	<b>1005</b>	<b>2171</b>
A great deal	12%	7%	8%	7%	20%	26%	7%	9%	13%
A fair amount	51%	51%	57%	46%	37%	45%	49%	51%	51%
Not much	25%	33%	27%	23%	21%	14%	26%	29%	20%
Not at all	7%	5%	3%	12%	11%	4%	7%	6%	6%
Don't know	5%	4%	5%	11%	11%	11%	11%	5%	10%
Refus de répondre	-	-	-	0%	-	-	-	-	-

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**People you meet in general**

	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
Unweighted base	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
<b>Base: All country adults</b>	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
A great deal	3%	3%	3%	4%	6%	16%	6%	2%	3%
A fair amount	32%	27%	41%	50%	42%	51%	48%	47%	45%
Not much	50%	59%	47%	27%	35%	23%	32%	43%	38%
Not at all	12%	7%	5%	6%	10%	4%	6%	5%	5%
Don't know	3%	4%	5%	12%	8%	6%	8%	3%	8%
Refus de répondre	-	-	-	1%	-	-	-	-	-

**Friends**

	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
Unweighted base	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
<b>Base: All country adults</b>	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
A great deal	16%	22%	25%	20%	37%	62%	40%	25%	34%
A fair amount	61%	62%	61%	58%	45%	32%	47%	65%	53%
Not much	19%	14%	12%	11%	9%	3%	6%	8%	8%
Not at all	3%	1%	1%	4%	4%	0%	2%	1%	1%
Don't know	1%	1%	2%	7%	5%	3%	5%	2%	4%
Refus de répondre	-	-	-	0%	-	-	-	-	-

**Family members**

	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
Unweighted base	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
<b>Base: All country adults</b>	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
A great deal	41%	41%	43%	30%	47%	80%	55%	47%	50%
A fair amount	47%	49%	47%	53%	36%	15%	33%	45%	39%
Not much	10%	9%	8%	7%	10%	2%	5%	5%	6%
Not at all	2%	0%	1%	3%	3%	0%	1%	1%	1%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	5%	4%	2%	5%	1%	3%
Refus de répondre	-	-	-	1%	-	-	-	-	-

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Again, how much, if at all, do you trust the following to tell the truth? (Please select one option on each row)

**Senior officials of the European Union**

Unweighted base	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
<b>Base: All country adults</b>	<b>1012</b>	<b>1003</b>	<b>1016</b>	<b>1019</b>	<b>1223</b>	<b>1009</b>	<b>2065</b>	<b>1005</b>	<b>2171</b>
A great deal	4%	1%	3%	2%	6%	7%	4%	3%	2%
A fair amount	23%	14%	26%	18%	21%	27%	24%	28%	16%
Not much	40%	56%	42%	32%	29%	30%	34%	42%	35%
Not at all	30%	27%	25%	38%	23%	28%	30%	23%	36%
Don't know	4%	3%	4%	9%	20%	9%	9%	4%	11%
Refus de répondre	-	-	-	1%	-	-	-	-	-

**Senior officials of the US government**

Unweighted base	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
<b>Base: All country adults</b>	<b>1012</b>	<b>1003</b>	<b>1016</b>	<b>1019</b>	<b>1223</b>	<b>1009</b>	<b>2065</b>	<b>1005</b>	<b>2171</b>
A great deal	3%	1%	3%	2%	5%	3%	2%	1%	1%
A fair amount	17%	4%	17%	14%	19%	21%	11%	13%	7%
Not much	39%	41%	47%	27%	39%	32%	32%	51%	36%
Not at all	35%	51%	25%	44%	29%	34%	46%	27%	44%
Don't know	7%	3%	8%	12%	8%	10%	9%	8%	11%
Refus de répondre	-	-	-	1%	-	-	-	-	-

**Government ministers in my country**

Unweighted base	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
<b>Base: All country adults</b>	<b>1012</b>	<b>1003</b>	<b>1016</b>	<b>1019</b>	<b>1223</b>	<b>1009</b>	<b>2065</b>	<b>1005</b>	<b>2171</b>
A great deal	3%	1%	2%	2%	6%	8%	3%	2%	1%
A fair amount	19%	8%	9%	20%	19%	30%	28%	15%	16%
Not much	41%	53%	32%	29%	38%	29%	36%	30%	45%
Not at all	34%	37%	54%	42%	23%	28%	25%	51%	31%
Don't know	3%	1%	2%	6%	13%	5%	9%	2%	7%
Refus de répondre	-	-	-	1%	-	-	-	-	-

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**Religious leaders**

	Italy	Portugal	Poland	France	United States	Sweden	Germany	Hungary	GB
Unweighted base	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
<b>Base: All country adults</b>	<b>1012</b>	<b>1003</b>	<b>1016</b>	<b>1019</b>	<b>1223</b>	<b>1009</b>	<b>2065</b>	<b>1005</b>	<b>2171</b>
A great deal	5%	2%	4%	5%	16%	2%	3%	2%	5%
A fair amount	20%	14%	20%	23%	33%	14%	16%	16%	22%
Not much	33%	48%	33%	27%	26%	28%	29%	37%	34%
Not at all	39%	35%	40%	34%	18%	50%	42%	40%	30%
Don't know	4%	2%	3%	9%	7%	7%	10%	4%	9%
Refus de répondre	-	-	-	1%	-	-	-	-	-

**Military leaders in my country**

	Italy	Portugal	Poland	France	United States	Sweden	Germany	Hungary	GB
Unweighted base	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
<b>Base: All country adults</b>	<b>1012</b>	<b>1003</b>	<b>1016</b>	<b>1019</b>	<b>1223</b>	<b>1009</b>	<b>2065</b>	<b>1005</b>	<b>2171</b>
A great deal	4%	2%	4%	6%	15%	18%	3%	2%	7%
A fair amount	26%	17%	27%	37%	37%	38%	23%	22%	36%
Not much	36%	54%	44%	25%	25%	22%	35%	41%	30%
Not at all	27%	23%	19%	21%	14%	11%	28%	29%	13%
Don't know	8%	3%	5%	11%	9%	11%	11%	6%	14%
Refus de répondre	-	-	-	1%	-	-	-	-	-

**People who run large companies**

	Italy	Portugal	Poland	France	United States	Sweden	Germany	Hungary	GB
Unweighted base	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
<b>Base: All country adults</b>	<b>1012</b>	<b>1003</b>	<b>1016</b>	<b>1019</b>	<b>1223</b>	<b>1009</b>	<b>2065</b>	<b>1005</b>	<b>2171</b>
A great deal	3%	2%	2%	2%	4%	8%	3%	1%	2%
A fair amount	24%	12%	20%	24%	25%	43%	27%	19%	16%
Not much	45%	61%	57%	37%	41%	30%	39%	52%	49%
Not at all	24%	22%	15%	28%	21%	12%	23%	23%	25%
Don't know	4%	3%	5%	8%	9%	7%	9%	5%	9%
Refus de répondre	-	-	-	1%	-	-	-	-	-

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**In the past 5 years, have you been a member of any of the following voluntary organisations? (Please select all that apply)**

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	<b>Base: All country adults</b>	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
Church or religious organisation		8%	11%	24%	4%	25%	9%	7%	8%	8%
Art, music or cultural organisation		11%	7%	6%	6%	10%	10%	7%	6%	7%
Political party		7%	7%	2%	5%	18%	17%	5%	3%	5%
Environmental organisation		7%	3%	7%	4%	8%	6%	5%	5%	5%
Organisation providing assistance to people		14%	8%	7%	11%	16%	15%	9%	9%	9%
Sports club or hobby group		12%	19%	14%	15%	15%	25%	20%	12%	18%
None of these		60%	62%	52%	61%	44%	48%	57%	68%	62%
Don't know		2%	2%	5%	3%	5%	3%	6%	1%	3%
Refus de répondre		-	-	-	1%	-	-	-	-	-

**Some people believe that what happens in their life is decided by a "higher force", such as God, fate or destiny, while other people don't believe this.**

**Thinking about your own life, which one of the following statements comes closest to your view?**

	Unweighted base	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
	<b>Base: All country adults</b>	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
Everything that happens in my life is caused by a "higher force", such as God, fate or destiny		14%	10%	14%	8%	23%	3%	9%	16%	7%
Most of what happens in my life is caused by a "higher force", such as God, fate or destiny		13%	12%	15%	8%	19%	6%	12%	13%	8%
Some of what happens in my life is caused by a "higher force", such as God, fate or destiny		31%	33%	18%	15%	20%	19%	23%	22%	21%
None of what happens in my life is caused by a "higher force", such as God, fate or destiny		24%	28%	30%	37%	17%	48%	33%	30%	41%
None of these		12%	11%	14%	17%	7%	15%	11%	12%	12%
Don't know		6%	6%	10%	13%	14%	9%	12%	7%	10%
Refus de répondre		-	-	-	2%	-	-	-	-	-

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Thinking about the next 12 months, would you say you generally feel optimistic or pessimistic about your own financial situation?

	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
Unweighted base	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
<b>Base: All country adults</b>	<b>1012</b>	<b>1003</b>	<b>1016</b>	<b>1019</b>	<b>1223</b>	<b>1009</b>	<b>2065</b>	<b>1005</b>	<b>2171</b>
Very optimistic	4%	4%	4%	3%	14%	9%	6%	6%	6%
Fairly optimistic	25%	32%	31%	23%	34%	35%	29%	26%	34%
Neither optimistic nor pessimistic	43%	43%	39%	37%	27%	30%	38%	39%	32%
Fairly pessimistic	20%	15%	17%	27%	11%	13%	15%	19%	17%
Very pessimistic	6%	5%	7%	8%	6%	9%	6%	7%	7%
Don't know	1%	1%	2%	2%	8%	5%	6%	2%	4%

Thinking in general about the role of government and private companies in this country's economy, which one of the following statements comes closest to your view?

	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
Unweighted base	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
<b>Base: All country adults</b>	<b>1012</b>	<b>1003</b>	<b>1016</b>	<b>1019</b>	<b>1223</b>	<b>1009</b>	<b>2065</b>	<b>1005</b>	<b>2171</b>
The Government interferes too much in business and should give companies more freedom to operate as they see best	25%	19%	51%	30%	32%	34%	16%	51%	15%
The Government doesn't do enough to regulate business and should set stricter rules on how companies are allowed to operate	47%	61%	18%	36%	33%	24%	38%	22%	38%
The current amount of regulation of business by the Government in this country is about right	12%	7%	18%	12%	15%	22%	20%	16%	23%
Don't know	16%	13%	13%	21%	20%	20%	26%	12%	25%

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Putting aside your own party preferences or views on the current government, do you think that, in general, the Parliament in this country does a good job or a bad job of representing the interests of people like you?

	Italy	Portugal	Poland	France	United States	Sweden	Germany	Hungary	GB
Unweighted base	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
<b>Base: All country adults</b>	<b>1012</b>	<b>1003</b>	<b>1016</b>	<b>1019</b>	<b>1223</b>	<b>1009</b>	<b>2065</b>	<b>1005</b>	<b>2171</b>
Very good job	7%	1%	4%	2%	3%	2%	1%	3%	2%
Fairly good job	27%	14%	13%	11%	12%	17%	14%	15%	19%
Neither good nor bad job	32%	37%	19%	22%	21%	22%	28%	22%	24%
Fairly bad job	14%	28%	23%	28%	22%	23%	28%	23%	30%
Very bad job	16%	18%	38%	29%	31%	29%	17%	33%	18%
Don't know	4%	2%	3%	9%	11%	6%	12%	4%	7%

How democratic or undemocratic would you say this country is, on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 means 'completely undemocratic' and 10 means 'completely democratic'?

	Italy	Portugal	Poland	France	United States	Sweden	Germany	Hungary	GB
Unweighted base	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
<b>Base: All country adults</b>	<b>1012</b>	<b>1003</b>	<b>1016</b>	<b>1019</b>	<b>1223</b>	<b>1009</b>	<b>2065</b>	<b>1005</b>	<b>2171</b>
0 - completely undemocratic	5%	2%	9%	6%	5%	5%	5%	17%	2%
1	2%	1%	8%	3%	3%	3%	2%	8%	1%
2	4%	2%	12%	6%	4%	6%	4%	11%	3%
3	7%	5%	12%	7%	8%	8%	7%	13%	6%
4	7%	6%	8%	7%	11%	5%	7%	9%	7%
5	16%	19%	14%	20%	21%	9%	15%	13%	14%
6	18%	13%	7%	12%	10%	9%	10%	6%	12%
7	17%	20%	9%	14%	10%	15%	14%	7%	18%
8	13%	18%	6%	10%	8%	18%	15%	6%	15%
9	3%	7%	4%	3%	2%	12%	7%	4%	3%
10 - completely democratic	4%	3%	7%	3%	3%	4%	4%	4%	2%
Don't know	5%	3%	4%	10%	15%	7%	11%	3%	16%

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Which, if any, of the following sources do you tend to use at least 2-3 times per month to access news? (Please select all that apply. If you don't use any sources at least 2-3 times a month to access news, please select the 'Not applicable' option)

	Unweighted base	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
<b>Base: All country adults</b>		1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
A printed copy of a newspaper		34%	29%	30%	30%	26%	36%	31%	25%	32%
A newspaper website		49%	48%	49%	31%	27%	62%	31%	63%	32%
A news website or blog not associated with a newspaper		34%	29%	39%	18%	29%	35%	24%	32%	25%
Email newsletters or RSS feeds		15%	18%	17%	15%	19%	20%	15%	24%	10%
Social media (e.g. Facebook, Twitter, YouTube etc.)		57%	61%	58%	43%	44%	56%	31%	65%	43%
Television		81%	87%	80%	75%	60%	70%	73%	73%	70%
Radio		49%	57%	61%	49%	39%	51%	56%	45%	48%
Magazines		27%	28%	34%	21%	18%	23%	26%	18%	9%
Podcasts		3%	5%	7%	4%	8%	16%	4%	3%	5%
Other		4%	4%	4%	2%	4%	6%	6%	4%	4%
Don't know		1%	1%	1%	2%	4%	2%	3%	1%	2%
Not applicable – I don't use any sources at least 2-3 times a month to access news		1%	1%	2%	3%	9%	3%	4%	2%	7%

And which, if any, of the following social media platforms do you use in particular to access news? (Please select all that apply)

	Unweighted base	578	616	584	426	576	563	647	654	943
<b>Base: All country adults who use social media platforms to access news</b>		578	615	585	440	539	567	642	655	933
Facebook		89%	91%	87%	84%	76%	73%	67%	87%	70%
Twitter		26%	16%	26%	26%	28%	29%	18%	14%	34%
YouTube		52%	37%	61%	33%	36%	39%	41%	51%	21%
Instagram		30%	26%	24%	19%	16%	32%	19%	17%	13%
Tumblr		1%	1%	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%	3%	1%
Snapchat		2%	2%	7%	13%	8%	6%	6%	3%	10%
LinkedIn		14%	18%	10%	9%	6%	15%	4%	7%	8%
Reddit		2%	3%	3%	2%	7%	7%	2%	2%	6%
4chan		1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%
Discord		1%	0%	2%	2%	1%	4%	2%	1%	1%
Gab		0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%
Other		10%	12%	8%	10%	12%	15%	14%	15%	7%
Don't know		1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	5%	4%	3%	5%



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Thinking about how the political system currently works in this country, which one of the following statements best reflects your view?

	Unweighted base	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
	Base: All country adults	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
The system works fairly well and doesn't need more than minor reforms		12%	11%	16%	13%	12%	22%	26%	19%	24%
The system works badly but if we elected the right people, they could put things right		41%	36%	31%	29%	40%	26%	30%	28%	32%
The system is broken and it would take a total change of system to put things right		39%	40%	39%	44%	27%	27%	25%	45%	26%
None of these		4%	5%	5%	7%	6%	5%	7%	3%	5%
Don't know		4%	9%	9%	8%	15%	19%	12%	4%	13%

Which, if any, of the following statements would you say are true? (Please select all that apply)

	Unweighted base	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
	Base: All country adults	1012	1003	1016	1019	1223	1009	2065	1005	2171
Even though we live in what's called a democracy, a few people will always run things in this country anyway		49%	66%	46%	46%	38%	31%	39%	60%	44%
Secret plots that harm the nation are more common in this country than in other countries		14%	19%	24%	8%	14%	3%	5%	8%	6%
Humans have made contact with aliens and this fact has been deliberately hidden from the public		14%	10%	9%	8%	14%	5%	5%	15%	8%
The AIDS virus was created and spread around the world on purpose by a secret group or organisation		7%	8%	7%	12%	9%	2%	5%	9%	4%
Regardless of who is officially in charge of governments and other organisations, there is a single group of people who secretly control events and rule the world together		29%	42%	29%	18%	17%	12%	19%	25%	14%
The official account of the Nazi Holocaust is a lie and the number of Jews killed by the Nazis during World War II has been exaggerated on purpose		5%	3%	6%	4%	4%	3%	-	9%	2%
The idea of man-made global warming is a hoax that was invented to deceive people		6%	4%	11%	7%	17%	9%	8%	8%	7%
The Government is deliberately hiding the truth about how many immigrants really live in this country		20%	13%	21%	32%	21%	29%	35%	48%	30%
The truth about the harmful effects of vaccines is being deliberately hidden from the public		14%	10%	15%	26%	15%	13%	17%	23%	10%
Muslim immigration to this country is part of a bigger plan to make Muslims a majority of this country's population		17%	9%	19%	18%	15%	24%	20%	20%	18%
None of these is true		28%	20%	28%	24%	36%	48%	35%	15%	40%
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