

# YouGov Survey Results

Fieldwork: 2nd - 3rd October 2019

Sample Size: 1642 GB Adults



	Gender		Age				Social Grade		Region					
	Male	Female	18-24	25-49	50-64	65+	ABC1	C2DE	London	Rest of South	Midlands / Wales	North	Scotland	
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<b>Unweighted Sample</b>	<b>1642</b>	722	920	151	680	400	411	949	693	165	570	356	398	153
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

In some cases, people suffering from terminal illnesses and extreme pain may wish to end their lives early of their own accord. Thinking about these cases, do you think the following should be legal, or illegal in the UK?

## Choosing to end your own life

Should be legal	<b>76</b>	76	76	65	78	77	77	78	73	64	77	80	74	81
Should be illegal	<b>9</b>	10	7	16	7	10	7	8	9	15	8	7	8	8
Prefer not to say	<b>5</b>	4	6	3	4	5	6	4	5	8	5	4	5	2
Don't know	<b>11</b>	10	12	16	11	9	10	10	12	13	10	9	13	8

## Assisting someone in their ending their life

Should be legal	<b>61</b>	63	60	54	62	63	61	63	59	51	64	67	58	62
Should be illegal	<b>14</b>	15	13	25	11	15	13	13	15	23	13	12	13	14
Prefer not to say	<b>6</b>	4	8	2	6	7	6	5	7	7	7	5	6	3
Don't know	<b>19</b>	18	19	19	20	14	20	18	19	19	16	16	23	22

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Should any of the following groups of people be allowed to assist in helping someone end their life?

**The NHS**

Should be allowed to assist	<b>65</b>	66	64	56	68	67	62	65	64	58	65	70	63	65
Should not be allowed to assist	<b>17</b>	18	16	22	14	17	19	18	16	23	17	12	18	19
Prefer not to say	<b>4</b>	3	4	3	3	3	5	3	4	4	3	3	4	2
Don't know	<b>15</b>	13	16	19	15	13	14	14	15	15	15	14	15	13

**Private healthcare companies**

Should be allowed to assist	<b>39</b>	39	39	44	47	34	27	38	41	36	40	41	36	43
Should not be allowed to assist	<b>39</b>	43	35	32	31	47	49	42	35	41	42	37	37	35
Prefer not to say	<b>4</b>	4	4	2	3	4	6	3	4	6	3	2	5	2
Don't know	<b>18</b>	14	22	22	18	16	18	17	20	17	15	20	21	20

**Specialised end of life clinics such as Dignitas**

Should be allowed to assist	<b>74</b>	73	75	66	76	75	72	76	71	66	76	76	72	78
Should not be allowed to assist	<b>10</b>	13	7	12	8	12	11	10	10	15	10	8	11	9
Prefer not to say	<b>4</b>	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	4	7	3	3	5	1
Don't know	<b>12</b>	10	14	18	12	9	13	10	15	13	11	13	12	12

**Close family members**

Should be allowed to assist	<b>52</b>	54	50	49	53	52	51	52	52	46	53	56	51	50
Should not be allowed to assist	<b>24</b>	23	24	26	23	25	23	26	22	28	23	24	21	29
Prefer not to say	<b>5</b>	5	5	3	4	6	6	4	5	6	5	3	7	2
Don't know	<b>19</b>	18	21	22	20	17	19	18	21	20	19	18	21	20

In your opinion, is a doctor helping a terminally unwell patient to end their life a violation of their oath to do no harm to their patients?

Yes	<b>14</b>	12	15	14	11	17	16	15	13	15	15	10	14	14
No	<b>64</b>	64	63	59	65	64	63	66	60	63	65	66	59	65
Prefer not to say	<b>5</b>	5	5	4	5	5	6	4	6	3	5	6	5	5
Don't know	<b>17</b>	18	17	24	19	14	15	15	21	18	15	18	21	16