



BBC – Public Opinion Poll

METHODOLOGY NOTE

ComRes interviewed 2,016 GB adults via telephone between the 18th and 28th September 2015. Data were weighted to be representative of all adults in Great Britain aged 18+. ComRes is a member of the British Polling Council and abides by its rules.

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<u>The safety of places where children and young people play or meet</u>																											
Better today	575	343	232	80	100	107	82	84	123	180	189	207	162	148	139	127	61	24	71	46	37	41	24	59	86	73	52
	29%	35%	22%	34%	29%	32%	23%	29%	27%	31%	27%	28%	30%	27%	32%	26%	35%	28%	31%	27%	20%	28%	24%	30%	32%	26%	29%
Better when you were young	978	388	589	81	169	141	188	159	240	250	329	399	244	270	208	255	75	46	109	87	110	69	62	94	112	132	83
	49%	40%	57%	34%	48%	43%	52%	55%	53%	43%	48%	54%	45%	50%	47%	52%	43%	54%	47%	51%	61%	46%	60%	48%	42%	47%	47%
No different	444	240	204	73	78	82	84	46	80	152	166	126	129	121	91	103	39	15	49	34	34	36	16	40	64	76	41
	22%	24%	20%	31%	22%	25%	23%	16%	18%	26%	24%	17%	24%	22%	21%	21%	22%	17%	21%	20%	19%	24%	16%	20%	24%	27%	23%
Don't know	19	11	8	-	1	2	5	1	10	1	6	11	7	3	1	8	-	-	2	5	-	3	1	3	3	1	2
	1%	1%	1%	-	*	*	1%	*	2%	*	1%	1%	1%	*	*	2%	-	-	1%	3%	-	2%	1%	2%	1%	*	1%
<u>The freedom of young people and children to express their opinions</u>																											
Better today	1446	694	752	160	242	244	264	210	327	402	508	537	412	405	304	324	131	61	159	123	124	111	79	132	194	199	133
	72%	71%	73%	68%	69%	74%	74%	72%	72%	69%	74%	72%	76%	75%	69%	66%	75%	72%	69%	72%	69%	74%	77%	67%	73%	71%	75%
Better when you were young	250	113	136	26	44	36	43	42	58	70	79	100	48	50	70	82	20	4	34	22	31	12	10	20	36	37	22
	12%	12%	13%	11%	12%	11%	12%	15%	13%	12%	12%	14%	9%	9%	16%	17%	12%	5%	15%	13%	17%	8%	10%	10%	13%	13%	12%
No different	306	167	139	48	60	51	49	35	62	108	101	97	78	82	65	81	23	19	35	25	25	22	12	43	35	46	20
	15%	17%	13%	20%	17%	15%	14%	12%	14%	19%	15%	13%	14%	15%	15%	16%	13%	23%	15%	15%	14%	15%	12%	22%	13%	16%	11%
Don't know	14	7	7	-	3	-	2	4	5	3	2	9	4	5	-	5	1	-	3	1	1	3	1	1	1	-	3
	1%	1%	1%	-	1%	-	1%	1%	1%	*	*	1%	1%	1%	-	1%	1%	-	1%	1%	*	2%	1%	*	*	-	1%
<u>The freedom of children and young people to dress how they want</u>																											
Better today	1223	600	623	137	193	207	204	194	288	330	411	482	353	318	274	278	110	48	140	106	99	92	62	123	155	162	125
	61%	61%	60%	58%	55%	63%	57%	67%	64%	57%	60%	65%	65%	59%	62%	56%	63%	57%	61%	62%	55%	62%	61%	63%	58%	57%	71%
Better when you were young	270	107	163	31	55	44	39	37	64	86	83	102	55	69	57	89	23	10	27	23	35	15	15	18	46	37	19
	13%	11%	16%	13%	16%	13%	11%	13%	14%	15%	12%	14%	10%	13%	13%	18%	13%	12%	12%	14%	19%	10%	15%	9%	17%	13%	11%
No different	509	267	242	66	98	80	115	57	93	165	194	150	130	151	107	120	39	26	62	41	47	40	24	53	63	79	33
	25%	27%	23%	28%	28%	24%	32%	20%	20%	28%	28%	20%	24%	28%	24%	24%	22%	31%	27%	24%	26%	27%	23%	27%	24%	28%	19%
Don't know	14	8	6	-	3	-	2	2	7	3	2	9	4	4	1	5	2	-	2	*	-	1	1	1	2	4	-
	1%	1%	1%	-	1%	-	1%	1%	2%	*	*	1%	1%	1%	*	1%	1%	-	1%	*	-	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	-

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<u>The responsibility individuals take for the world around them</u>																											
Better today	604	306	297	72	89	102	123	85	133	160	225	218	174	150	140	140	62	22	63	51	48	43	23	63	82	92	54
	30%	31%	29%	31%	25%	31%	34%	29%	29%	27%	33%	29%	32%	28%	32%	29%	35%	26%	27%	30%	27%	29%	23%	32%	31%	33%	31%
Better when you were young	889	413	476	84	169	143	162	140	192	253	305	332	220	259	191	220	72	36	107	83	79	77	50	81	104	121	80
	44%	42%	46%	36%	48%	43%	45%	48%	42%	43%	44%	45%	41%	48%	43%	45%	41%	42%	46%	48%	44%	52%	49%	41%	39%	43%	45%
No different	497	255	241	75	88	82	74	64	114	163	156	178	145	127	103	121	39	25	57	35	51	27	29	47	77	66	43
	25%	26%	23%	32%	25%	25%	21%	22%	25%	28%	23%	24%	27%	23%	23%	25%	22%	30%	25%	20%	28%	18%	28%	24%	29%	23%	24%
Don't know	26	7	20	4	4	3	1	2	14	8	3	15	3	6	6	11	2	2	4	3	3	2	1	5	2	3	*
	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	*	1%	3%	1%	*	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	*
<u>Opportunities for young people to travel</u>																											
Better today	1630	794	836	153	253	266	304	255	399	406	569	654	468	442	351	368	144	54	190	133	141	125	83	161	211	247	140
	81%	81%	81%	65%	73%	80%	85%	88%	88%	70%	83%	88%	86%	82%	80%	75%	82%	64%	82%	78%	78%	84%	81%	82%	79%	88%	79%
Better when you were young	169	87	83	27	37	30	28	23	24	64	58	47	26	39	46	58	14	10	20	16	22	10	6	14	28	14	15
	8%	9%	8%	11%	11%	9%	8%	8%	5%	11%	8%	6%	5%	7%	11%	12%	8%	12%	9%	9%	12%	7%	6%	7%	11%	5%	8%
No different	212	100	111	54	57	34	27	12	29	111	61	40	47	59	42	64	17	21	20	22	18	14	12	20	26	21	20
	11%	10%	11%	23%	16%	10%	7%	4%	6%	19%	9%	5%	9%	11%	10%	13%	10%	24%	9%	13%	10%	9%	12%	10%	10%	8%	11%
Don't know	5	1	4	-	1	1	1	-	2	1	2	2	1	1	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	3
	*	*	*	-	*	*	*	-	*	*	*	*	*	*	-	1%	-	-	*	-	-	-	1%	-	*	-	2%
<u>Job opportunities for young people</u>																											
Better today	421	193	228	50	82	69	83	44	94	131	152	137	116	122	94	90	34	16	44	26	30	29	19	46	61	75	42
	21%	20%	22%	21%	23%	21%	23%	15%	21%	23%	22%	18%	21%	23%	21%	18%	19%	19%	19%	15%	17%	19%	18%	24%	23%	26%	24%
Better when you were young	1226	589	637	103	199	194	210	218	303	302	404	520	326	326	262	312	113	54	149	110	120	91	61	114	151	160	103
	61%	60%	62%	44%	57%	59%	58%	75%	67%	52%	59%	70%	60%	60%	60%	63%	64%	63%	64%	65%	66%	61%	59%	58%	57%	57%	58%
No different	348	189	159	79	68	62	62	29	48	147	124	77	96	88	81	83	28	15	38	29	30	28	23	34	51	42	30
	17%	19%	15%	34%	19%	19%	17%	10%	11%	25%	18%	10%	18%	16%	18%	17%	16%	17%	16%	17%	17%	19%	22%	17%	19%	15%	17%
Don't know	21	11	10	2	1	6	4	-	8	3	10	8	5	6	2	8	1	1	1	6	1	1	-	2	2	5	2
	1%	1%	1%	1%	*	2%	1%	-	2%	*	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	*	3%	*	1%	-	1%	1%	2%	1%

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<u>The moral standards of young people</u>																											
Better today	190	111	79	38	36	34	26	25	32	74	60	56	51	42	46	50	15	9	34	15	13	10	8	20	38	20	7
	9%	11%	8%	16%	10%	10%	7%	8%	7%	13%	9%	8%	9%	8%	10%	10%	9%	11%	15%	9%	7%	7%	8%	10%	14%	7%	4%
Better when you were young	1279	573	705	130	220	212	233	187	296	351	445	483	303	355	285	336	109	53	130	114	122	99	74	119	159	186	115
	63%	58%	68%	56%	63%	64%	65%	64%	66%	60%	64%	65%	56%	65%	65%	68%	62%	62%	56%	66%	67%	66%	72%	61%	60%	66%	65%
No different	533	292	242	65	91	86	96	78	117	156	182	195	183	142	104	104	50	23	67	41	47	38	21	56	66	73	52
	26%	30%	23%	28%	26%	26%	27%	27%	26%	27%	26%	26%	34%	26%	24%	21%	29%	27%	29%	24%	26%	20%	29%	25%	26%	26%	29%
Don't know	14	6	8	1	1	-	4	1	8	2	4	8	5	3	4	2	-	-	1	2	-	2	-	-	3	3	3
	1%	1%	1%	*	*	-	1%	*	2%	*	1%	1%	1%	*	1%	*	-	-	1%	1%	-	1%	-	-	1%	1%	2%
<u>General levels of tolerance towards people from different backgrounds</u>																											
Better today	1083	560	523	126	170	215	211	163	197	296	426	361	350	306	216	212	95	35	117	85	89	81	47	102	165	159	108
	54%	57%	51%	54%	49%	65%	59%	56%	44%	51%	62%	49%	64%	56%	49%	43%	54%	42%	50%	50%	49%	55%	46%	52%	62%	56%	61%
Better when you were young	492	218	274	42	95	57	89	72	137	138	145	209	87	125	123	156	36	20	57	48	56	29	33	61	48	70	34
	24%	22%	26%	18%	27%	17%	25%	25%	30%	24%	21%	28%	16%	23%	28%	32%	20%	24%	25%	28%	31%	20%	33%	31%	18%	25%	19%
No different	417	196	221	65	83	56	56	52	105	148	112	157	103	105	94	116	43	28	52	35	37	38	21	32	47	52	33
	21%	20%	21%	28%	24%	17%	16%	18%	23%	25%	16%	21%	19%	19%	21%	24%	25%	33%	22%	21%	20%	25%	20%	16%	18%	18%	19%
Don't know	24	8	16	1	-	3	3	3	13	1	7	16	3	6	7	9	1	1	5	3	-	1	1	1	7	2	3
	1%	1%	2%	*	-	1%	1%	1%	3%	*	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%	-	1%	1%	*	2%	1%	1%

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Table 2

Q2. Compared to when you were young, do you think that children today understand more, less or the same amount about ...

Base: All respondents

	Gender			Age									Class					Region									
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	18-34	35-54	55+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Scotland	North East	North West	Yorkshire & Humberside	West Midlands	East Midlands	Wales	East-ern	London	South East	South West
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Religion and faith																											
More	887	413	474	90	174	190	183	118	131	265	374	249	277	243	178	189	79	36	86	68	77	50	38	84	145	139	83
	44%	42%	46%	39%	50%	58%	51%	41%	29%	45%	54%	34%	51%	45%	41%	38%	45%	43%	37%	40%	42%	34%	37%	43%	55%	49%	47%
Less	601	285	316	62	82	69	81	102	204	144	150	306	145	156	129	171	46	26	87	54	63	41	40	67	53	83	41
	30%	29%	31%	26%	24%	21%	23%	35%	45%	25%	22%	41%	27%	29%	29%	35%	26%	30%	38%	32%	35%	28%	39%	34%	20%	29%	23%
About the same	507	273	234	82	89	70	92	67	106	171	163	174	112	138	127	131	48	23	54	46	40	55	25	42	65	59	51
	25%	28%	23%	35%	26%	21%	26%	23%	24%	29%	24%	23%	21%	25%	29%	27%	27%	27%	23%	27%	22%	37%	24%	21%	24%	21%	29%
Don't know	21	11	10	-	3	1	2	2	11	3	4	14	8	5	6	2	2	-	4	2	1	3	-	3	3	2	1
	1%	1%	1%	-	1%	*	1%	1%	3%	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	*	1%	-	2%	1%	1%	2%	-	1%	1%	1%	1%
Different religious communities																											
More	1180	542	638	100	211	214	260	171	225	310	474	396	367	319	241	253	110	41	132	93	109	73	57	114	169	178	104
	59%	55%	62%	43%	60%	65%	72%	59%	50%	53%	69%	53%	68%	59%	55%	51%	63%	49%	57%	54%	60%	49%	56%	58%	63%	63%	58%
Less	364	173	191	47	58	49	44	55	112	104	93	167	80	96	86	102	26	19	48	29	29	23	22	45	41	55	26
	18%	18%	19%	20%	16%	15%	12%	19%	25%	18%	13%	22%	15%	18%	20%	21%	15%	23%	21%	17%	16%	15%	22%	23%	15%	19%	15%
About the same	440	246	194	85	77	66	51	63	99	162	117	162	92	120	104	124	37	23	49	43	38	52	22	35	54	45	43
	22%	25%	19%	36%	22%	20%	14%	22%	22%	28%	17%	22%	17%	22%	24%	25%	21%	27%	21%	25%	21%	35%	21%	18%	20%	16%	24%
Don't know	32	21	11	3	4	3	4	1	17	7	7	19	3	7	8	13	1	1	2	6	5	2	1	3	3	4	5
	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	*	4%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	3%	1%	1%	1%	3%	3%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	3%

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Table 3

Q3. Do you think that the changing religious make-up of Britain has improved, worsened or made no difference to each of the following, compared to when you were young ...

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Moral standards in Britain																											
Improved	363	180	184	74	83	66	58	37	46	157	123	83	106	89	76	92	29	10	44	37	25	18	14	34	68	56	27
	18%	18%	18%	31%	24%	20%	16%	13%	10%	27%	18%	11%	20%	16%	17%	19%	17%	12%	19%	21%	14%	14%	14%	17%	26%	20%	15%
Worsened	919	421	499	48	132	136	179	147	276	181	315	423	217	263	206	233	77	42	107	82	92	78	57	91	96	129	69
	46%	43%	48%	21%	38%	41%	50%	51%	61%	31%	46%	57%	40%	48%	47%	47%	44%	50%	46%	48%	50%	52%	55%	47%	36%	46%	39%
Made no difference	703	365	338	105	132	126	118	101	121	237	244	222	210	186	148	158	67	30	77	48	64	52	31	68	96	92	78
	35%	37%	33%	45%	38%	38%	33%	35%	27%	41%	35%	30%	39%	34%	34%	32%	38%	36%	33%	28%	35%	30%	35%	36%	33%	44%	
Don't know	31	17	14	7	2	3	4	5	10	9	7	15	8	4	9	8	2	2	4	5	1	1	3	6	5	3	
	2%	2%	1%	3%	*	1%	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	3%	*	1%	*	2%	2%	2%	2%
Shared values between different people in society																											
Improved	791	362	429	115	141	146	140	100	148	256	286	249	232	227	145	187	79	31	68	63	73	49	35	86	128	96	82
	39%	37%	41%	49%	40%	44%	39%	35%	33%	44%	41%	33%	43%	42%	33%	38%	45%	37%	29%	37%	40%	33%	34%	44%	48%	34%	47%
Worsened	544	295	248	31	92	76	103	109	132	123	179	242	144	142	135	123	48	28	67	47	48	43	27	44	62	91	39
	27%	30%	24%	13%	26%	23%	29%	38%	29%	21%	26%	33%	26%	26%	31%	25%	27%	33%	29%	27%	26%	29%	26%	22%	23%	32%	22%
Made no difference	646	307	339	84	110	106	109	77	159	194	215	236	158	158	156	174	46	25	93	56	57	52	40	62	71	91	53
	32%	31%	33%	36%	32%	32%	30%	27%	35%	33%	31%	32%	29%	29%	36%	35%	26%	29%	40%	33%	31%	35%	39%	32%	27%	32%	30%
Don't know	36	17	19	4	7	3	7	3	13	10	9	16	9	15	3	8	2	1	4	5	3	5	1	3	5	4	3
	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%	1%	3%	2%	1%	2%	2%	3%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	3%	2%	3%	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%
Acceptance of people from different backgrounds																											
Improved	1103	518	585	142	171	208	195	159	228	313	403	387	342	304	224	232	102	33	122	87	99	77	53	112	167	143	106
	55%	53%	57%	61%	49%	63%	54%	55%	50%	54%	58%	52%	63%	56%	51%	47%	58%	39%	53%	51%	55%	52%	51%	57%	63%	51%	60%
Worsened	473	252	221	44	90	58	97	72	111	135	155	183	104	127	121	121	37	29	51	48	42	38	26	45	48	72	37
	23%	26%	21%	19%	26%	17%	27%	25%	25%	23%	22%	25%	19%	23%	28%	25%	21%	34%	22%	28%	23%	25%	26%	23%	18%	26%	21%
Made no difference	416	202	214	48	82	62	61	59	104	130	124	163	92	107	85	132	36	23	59	33	36	32	23	35	47	62	32
	21%	21%	21%	21%	23%	19%	17%	20%	23%	22%	18%	22%	17%	20%	19%	27%	21%	27%	25%	19%	20%	21%	22%	18%	18%	22%	18%
Don't know	24	10	14	-	6	3	5	1	9	6	8	10	4	4	8	7	-	-	-	3	5	2	1	2	4	5	2
	1%	1%	1%	-	2%	1%	1%	*	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%	-	-	-	2%	3%	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%

Opinion Poll

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Absolutes/col percents

Table 3

Q3. Do you think that the changing religious make-up of Britain has improved, worsened or made no difference to each of the following, compared to when you were young ...

Base: All respondents

	Gender			Age							Class						Region										
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	18-34	35-54	55+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Scotland	North East	North West	Yorkshire & Humberside	West Midlands	East Midlands	Wales	East-ern	London	South East	South West
Weighted base	2016	982	1034	234	349	331	359	291	452	583	690	743	542	542	439	492	175	85	232	171	181	149	103	195	266	282	177
Understanding of different cultures																											
Improved	1308	619	690	155	216	234	245	187	272	371	479	459	406	360	264	278	117	45	142	106	125	88	60	132	181	192	121
	65%	63%	67%	66%	62%	71%	68%	64%	60%	64%	69%	62%	75%	66%	60%	56%	67%	53%	61%	62%	69%	59%	58%	67%	68%	68%	68%
Worsened	314	163	151	27	58	48	58	53	70	85	106	123	58	86	84	86	27	24	40	26	26	22	23	27	40	40	19
	16%	17%	15%	11%	17%	14%	16%	18%	16%	15%	15%	17%	11%	16%	19%	17%	16%	28%	17%	15%	14%	15%	23%	14%	15%	14%	11%
Made no difference	378	188	190	52	72	49	52	50	103	124	101	153	76	95	86	121	31	16	50	37	27	38	20	34	41	48	36
	19%	19%	18%	22%	21%	15%	15%	17%	23%	21%	15%	21%	14%	17%	20%	25%	18%	19%	21%	22%	15%	25%	19%	18%	16%	17%	20%
Don't know	16	12	3	1	3	-	4	1	7	4	4	8	3	1	5	7	-	-	-	2	3	2	-	2	4	2	1
	1%	1%	*	*	1%	-	1%	*	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	*	1%	1%	-	-	-	1%	2%	1%	-	1%	1%	1%	1%