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Technical Note

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Where percentages do not sum to 100, this may be due to computer rounding, the exclusion of "don't know" categories, or multiple answers. Throughout the volume, an asterisk (*) denotes any value of less than half a per cent.

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Q1 What would you say is the most important issue facing Britain today?

e: 980 British adults 18+	Q1	Q1/2
	%	%
NHS/Hospitals/Healthcare	18	52
Common Market/Brexit/EU/Europe	29	45
Immigration/immigrants	11	27
Economy	6	19
Housing	3	16
Education/Schools	1	15
Defence/foreign affairs/terrorism	3	14
Poverty/Inequality	4	13
Ageing population/Social care for elderly	3	12
Unemployment	2	11
Crime/Law and Order/ASB	2	9
Pensions/social security/benefits	1	9
Pollution/environment	1	9
Lack of faith in politics/politicians/government	2	8
Inflation/Prices	1	6
Low pay/Minimum Wage/fair wages	1	6
Public services in general	1	6
Race relations	*	6
Drug abuse	*	5
Morality/individual behaviour/lifestyle	1	4
Population levels/overpopulation	1	4
Pound/exchange rate/value of pound	*	4
Taxation	*	4
Transport/public transport	*	4
Local government/council tax	*	3
Nationalisation/Government control of institutions	*	3
Countryside/rural life	1	2
Animal welfare	0	2
Petrol prices/fuel	*	2
Privatisation	*	2
Scottish/Welsh Assembly/Devolution/Const. reform	*	2
Foot and mouth outbreak/farming crisis	*	1
Nuclear weapons/nuclear war/disarmament	*	1
Trade Unions/Strikes	0	1
Bird flu/Pandemic Flu/Swine Flu/Ebola	*	*
AIDS	0	*
Northern Ireland	0	0
Other	1	3
Don't know	5	13
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