Ipsos Issues Index

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Technical Note

This month's Issues Index has been conducted over the phone, a methodology change which has been in place since the April 2020 wave. Mode effects should be kept in mind when comparing the new data points with previous months.

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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. An asterisk (*) denotes any value of less than half a per cent, but more than zero.

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

Q2 What do you see as other important issues facing Britain today?

Base: 982 British adults 18+	Q1	Q1/2
Inflation/Prices	% 19	% 32
Economy	17	29
Defence/foreign affairs/terrorism	8	19
Poverty/Inequality	7	15
Pollution/environment/climate change	4	13
NHS/Hospitals/Healthcare	3	13
Lack of faith in politics/politicians/government	4	12
Housing	3	10
Petrol prices/fuel	3	10
Coronavirus/Pandemic diseases	3	9
Common Market/Brexit/EU/Europe	4	9
Immigration/immigrants	2	6
Education/Schools	1	6
Taxation	2	5
Unemployment	1	5
Crime/Law and Order/ASB	1	4
Nuclear weapons/nuclear war/disarmament	1	3
Ageing population/Social care for elderly	1	3
Race relations	1	3
Low pay/Minimum Wage/Fair wages	*	3
Nationalisation/Government control of institutions	1	2
Mental health/well-being	*	2
Pensions/social security/benefits	*	2
International trade/trade deals	*	2
Food production/farming	-	2
Morality/individual behaviour/lifestyle	1	1
Population levels/overpopulation	*	11
Local government/council tax	*	11
Public services in general	*	11
UK Union/devolution/reform	*	11
Drug abuse	*	11
Transport/public transport	*	1
Trade unions/strikes	-	1
Privatisation	-	11
Pound/Exchange rate/Value of pound	*	*
Animal welfare	-	*
Northern Ireland	-	*
Countryside/rural life	-	*
Other	4	11
Don't know	9	20

