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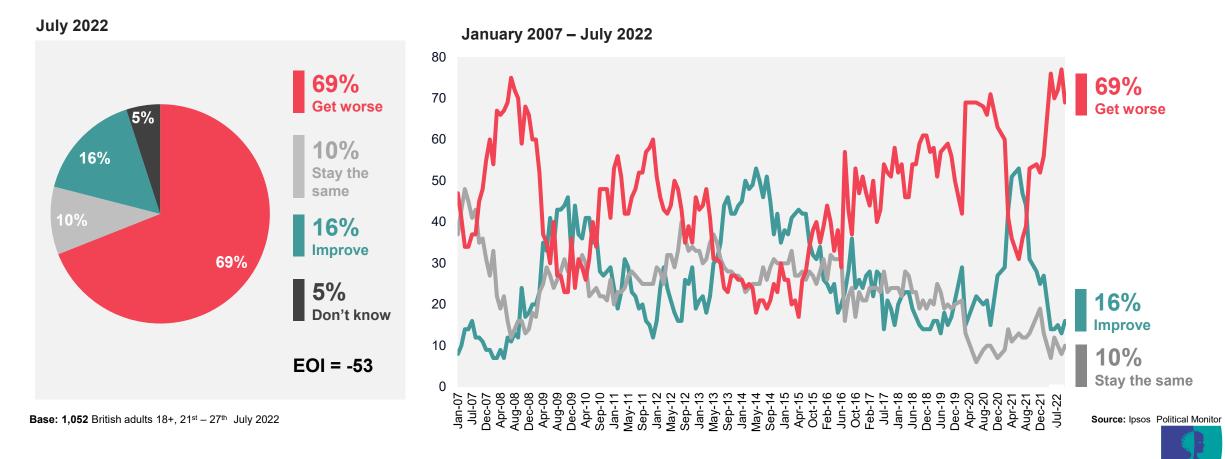
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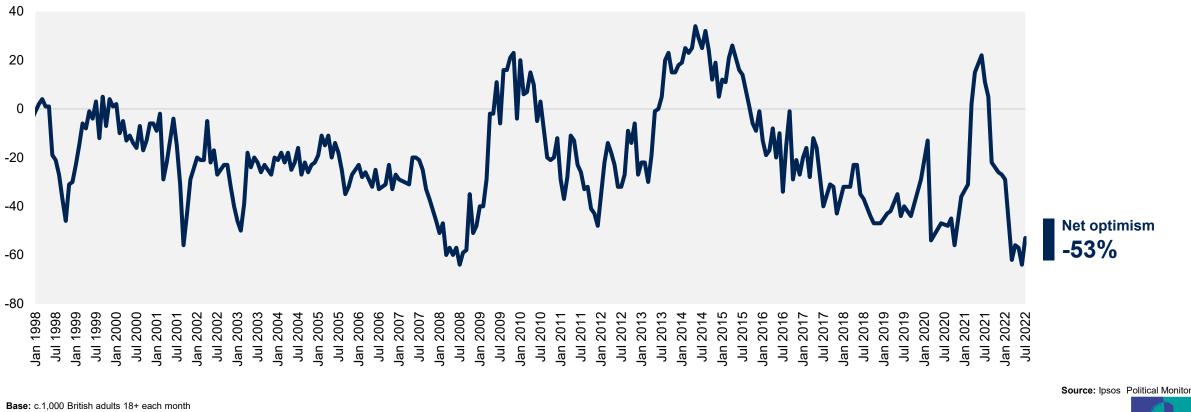
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## Economic Optimism Index (1998-2022)

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# GOVERNMENT RECORD

# Boris Johnson's<br/>government's<br/>performance:<br/>July 2022Ensuring the<br/>RespondMaterial

Since Boris Johnson's government was reelected in December 2019, do you think the government has done a good or bad job at...?

Good job

Bad job

Ensuring the public are vaccinated against Covid-19				809	%	13%
Responding to the Russian invasion of Ukraine			57%		28%	
Dealing with the Covid-19 pandemic			54%	42%		
Maximising Britain's influence in the world	3	3%	52%	6		
Dealing with climate change	299	%	55%			
Handling Britain's relationship with the EU	28%	%	61%			
Managing the economy	27%	6	3%			
Improving the education system	23%		54%			
Handling taxation and public expenditure	22%	66	%			
Improving the National Health Service	21%	70%	)			
Dealing with crime	21%		58%			
Reducing inequalities between different regions	20%		61%			
Dealing with the cost of living	17%	75%				
Managing immigration	16%	71%				

Base: 1,052 British adults 18+, 21<sup>st</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> July 2022



Boris Johnson's	Ensuring the public are vaccinated against Covid-19	92%			
government's	Dealing with the Covid-19 pandemic	85% 1			
performance:	Responding to the Russian invasion of Ukraine		84% 8%		
Among Conservative supporters	Maximising Britain's influence in the world		67% 20%		
	Managing the economy		<b>62%</b> 28%		
Since Boris Johnson's government was re- elected in December 2019, do you think the government has done a good or bad job at?	Handling Britain's relationship with the EU	6	0% 29%		
	Dealing with climate change	51%	32%		
	Handling taxation and public expenditure	47%	39%		
	Reducing inequalities between different regions	46%	30%		
	Dealing with the cost of living	40%	48%		
	Improving the education system	39%	31%		
Good job	Improving the National Health Service	39%	48%		
Bad job	Dealing with crime	35%	44%		
	Managing immigration	26% 64%			

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#### Boris Johnson's government's performance: *Among Labour supporters*

Since Boris Johnson's government was reelected in December 2019, do you think the government has done a good or bad job at...?

Good job

Bad job

Ensuring the public are vaccinated against Covid-19						81%	14%
Responding to the Russian invasion of Ukraine	5			)%		37%	
Dealing with the Covid-19 pandemic			40%	57	%		
Dealing with climate change	17%	74%					
Managing the economy	13%	82	%				
Dealing with crime	<b>14%</b> 68%			0			
Improving the education system	<b>14%</b> 72%						
Maximising Britain's influence in the world	14% 74%						
Managing immigration	11%	81	%				
Handling taxation and public expenditure	11%	82	%				
Handling Britain's relationship with the EU	11%	839	%				
Reducing inequalities between different regions	8%	81	%				
Improving the National Health Service	<mark>8%</mark> 8	39%					
Dealing with the cost of living (	6 <mark>%</mark> 92	2%					

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### Johnson's Government's performance: *Trends*

Since Boris Johnson's government was reelected in December 2019, do you think the government has done a good or bad job at...?

Improving the National	July 2022	21%	70%		
Health Service	Dec 2021	21%	70%		
	Aug 2021	26%	65%		
Dealing with crime	July 2022	21%	58	%	
	Dec 2021	21%	599	%	
	Aug 2021	26%	58	%	
Improving the education system	July 2022	23%		54%	
	Dec 2021	21%	5	55%	
	Aug 2021	23%	57	7%	
Reducing inequalities between different regions ("levelling up")	July 2022	20%	61%	)	
	Dec 2021	17%	66%		
	Aug 2021	22%	5	55%	
	Dec 2020	21%	58	%	
Maximising Britain's influence in the world	July 2022	33	3%	52%	
	Aug 2021		38%	45%	
	Dec 2020	33	3%	49%	
Dealing with climate change	July 2022	29%	5	55%	
	Dec 2021	31	%	52%	

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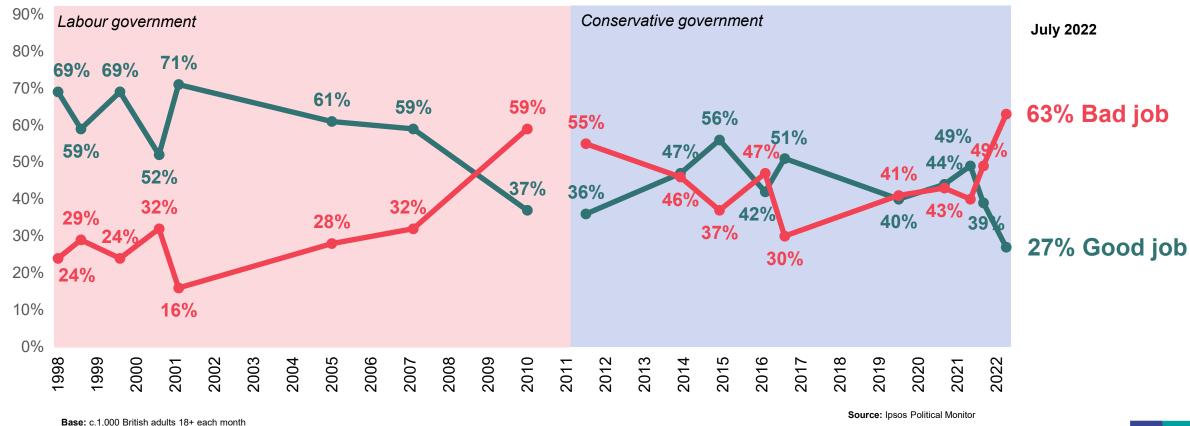
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# The Government's handling of managing the economy

Since Boris Johnson's government was re-elected in December 2019, do you think the government has done a good or bad job at...? Managing the economy

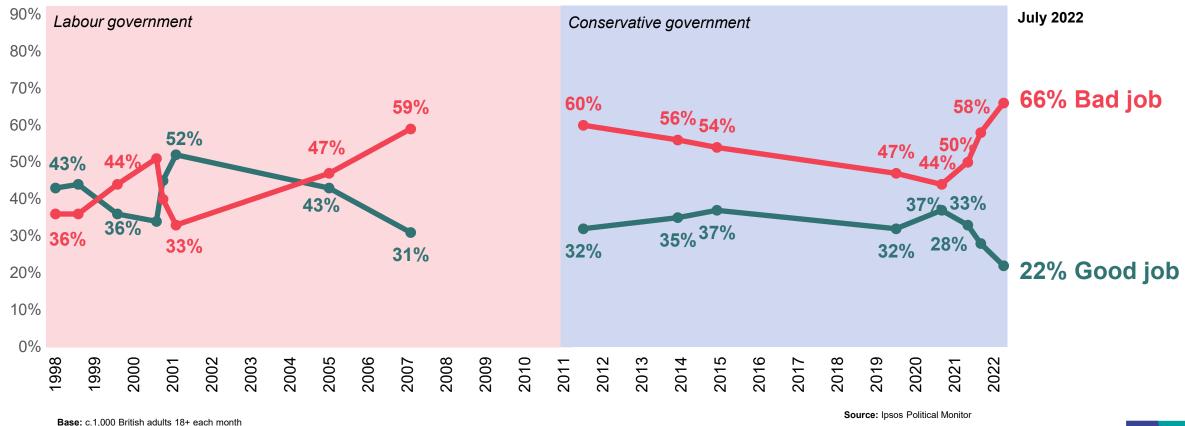


#### April 1998 – July 2022



# The Government's handling of taxation and public expenditure

Since Boris Johnson's government was re-elected in December 2019, do you think the government has done a good or bad job at...? handling taxation and public expenditure



April 1998 – July 2022

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# Government spending: increase, maintain or reduce?

I'd now like you to think about how much the government spends on public services, which is funded by taxation or government borrowing. Which of the following options, if any, do you think the government should do? And which one of the following, if any, do you think the government will do under Boris

