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Favourability towards politicians

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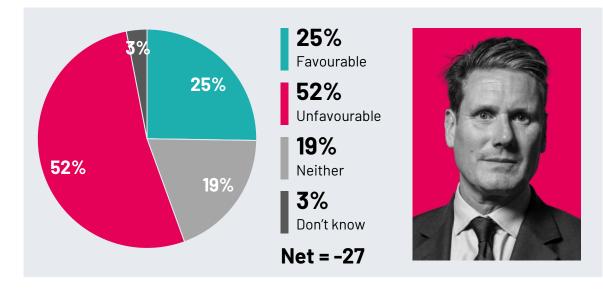
I	Favourable	Unfavourable	Net	Swing vs Dec '24
Nigel Farage	26%	51%	-25	-2.5
Ed Davey	25%	27%	-2	+1.5
Keir Starmer	25%	52%	-27	+1
Kemi Badenoch	16%	46%	-30	-2.5
Rachel Reeves	17%	50%	-33	-2
Rupert Lowe	14%	41%	-27	N/A

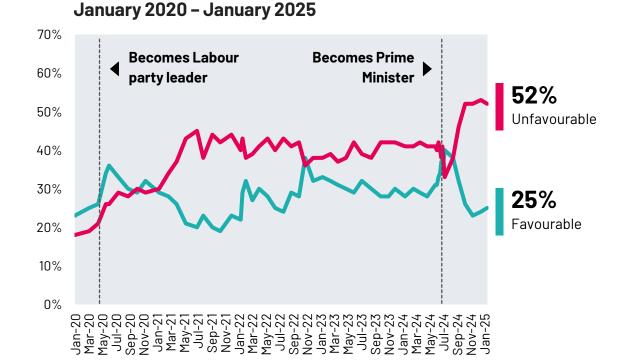


Keir Starmer: Favourability

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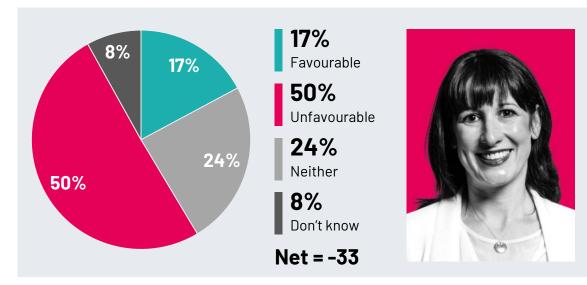






Rachel Reeves: Favourability

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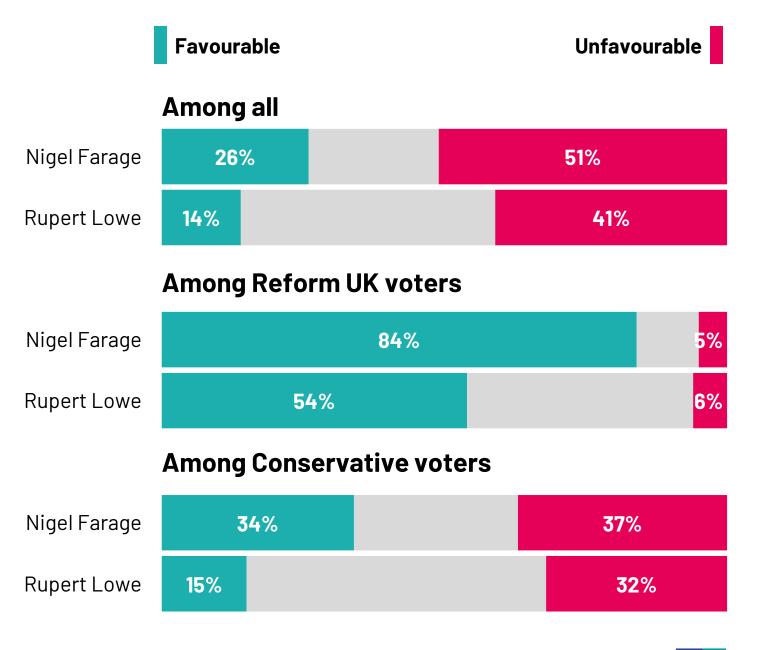




Reform UK voters are more likely to have a favourable opinion towards Nigel Farage than towards Rupert Lowe

To what extent, if at all, do you have a favourable or unfavourable opinion of the following politicians and political parties? *Nigel Farage/ Rupert Lowe*

Base: 1,139 Online British adults aged 18+, including (178) 2024 Conservative voters and (118) 2024 Reform UK voters, 10-13 January 2025



Favourability towards political parties

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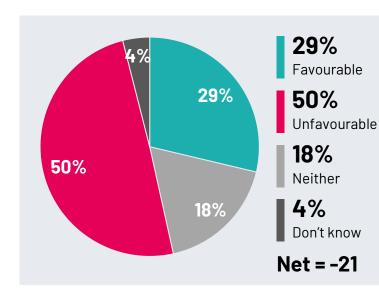


Favourable	Unfavourable	Net favourability	Swing vs Dec '24
The Labour party			
29%	50%	-21	N/C
The Green party			
28%	29%	-1	+0.5
Reform UK			
27%	49%	-22	-2.5
The Liberal Democrats			
26%	30%	-4	+3.5
The Conservative party			
20%	57%	-37	-1.5

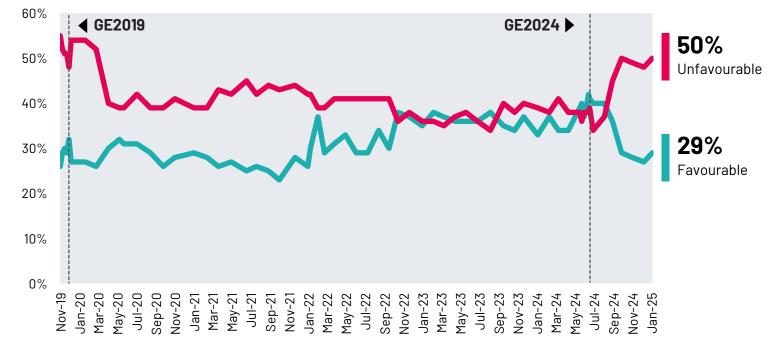


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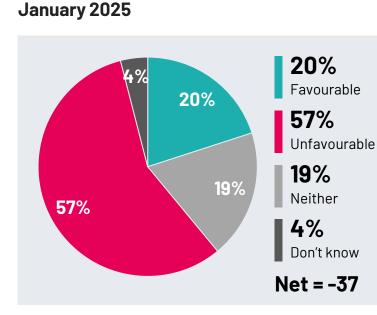
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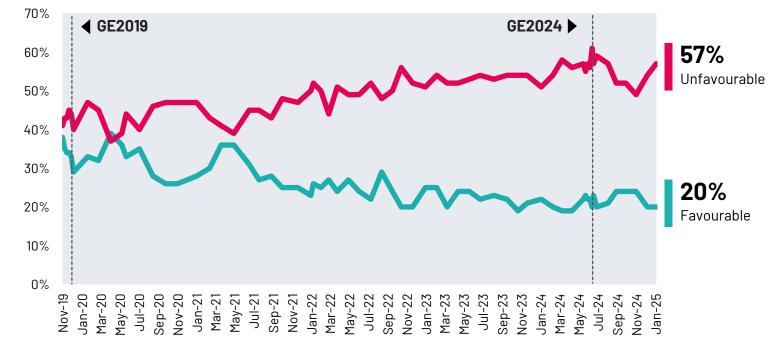
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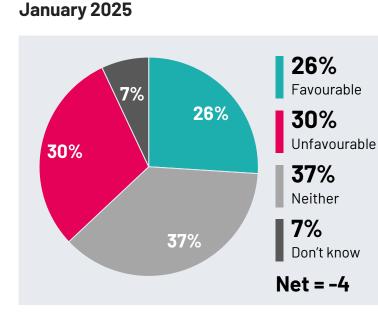
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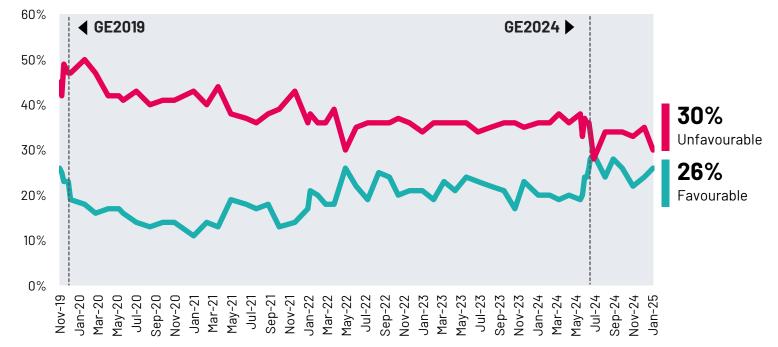


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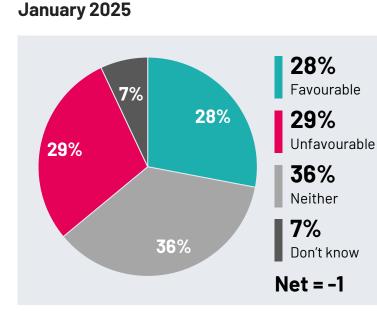
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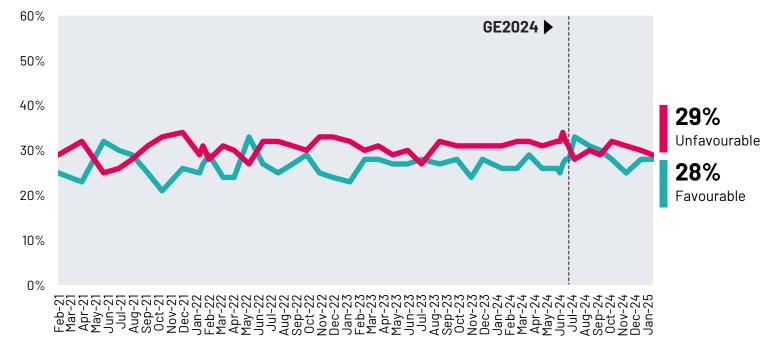


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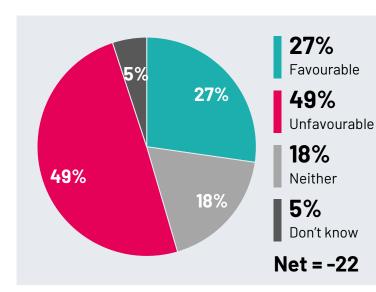
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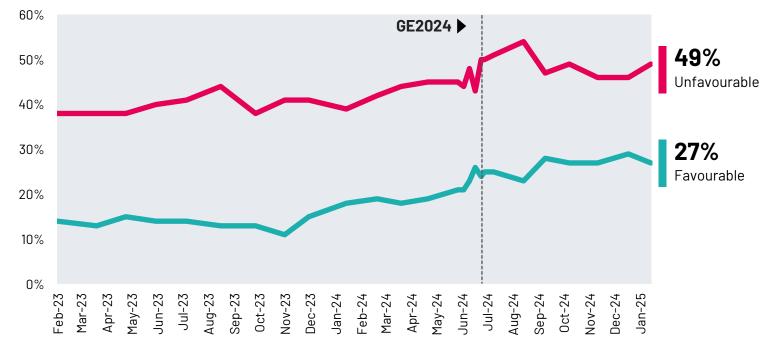


Reform UK: Favourability

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February 2023 – January 2025



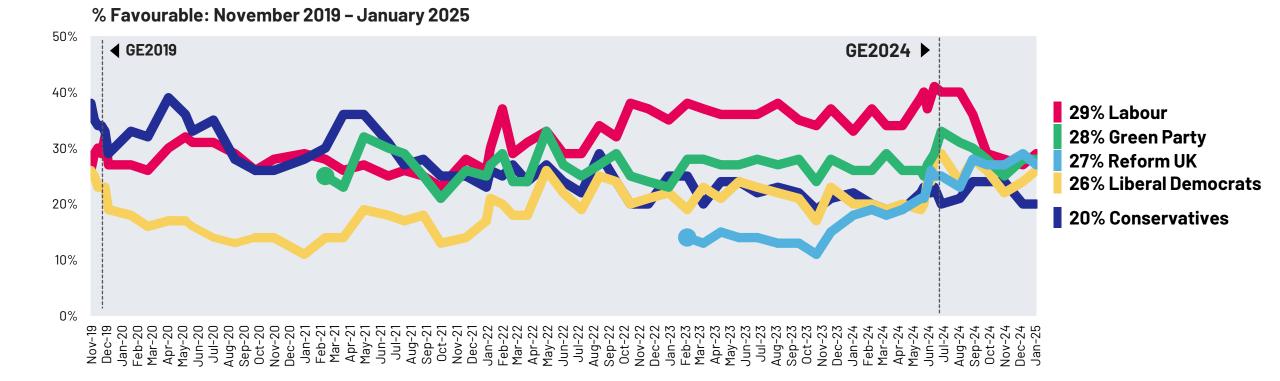
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Political parties: Favourability

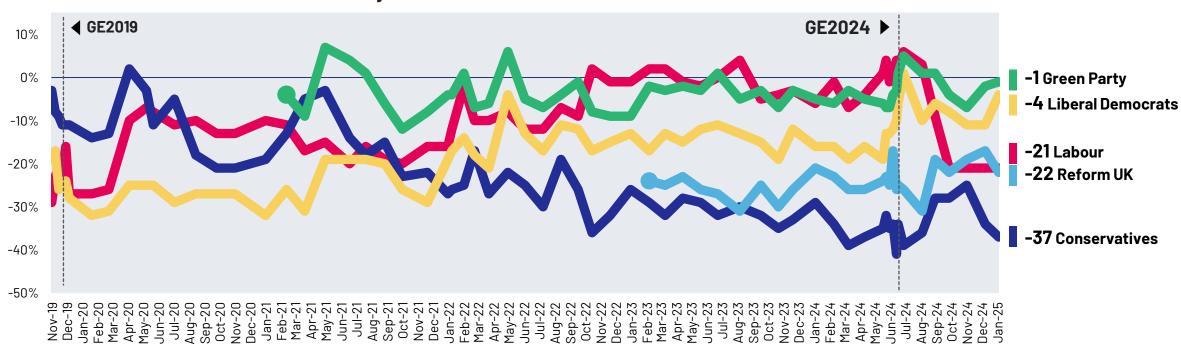
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Political parties: Net favourability

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% Favourable: November 2019 – January 2025



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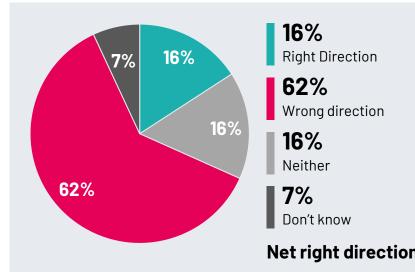
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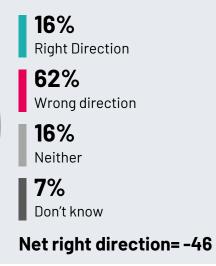


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Direction of the country: January 2020 – January 2025

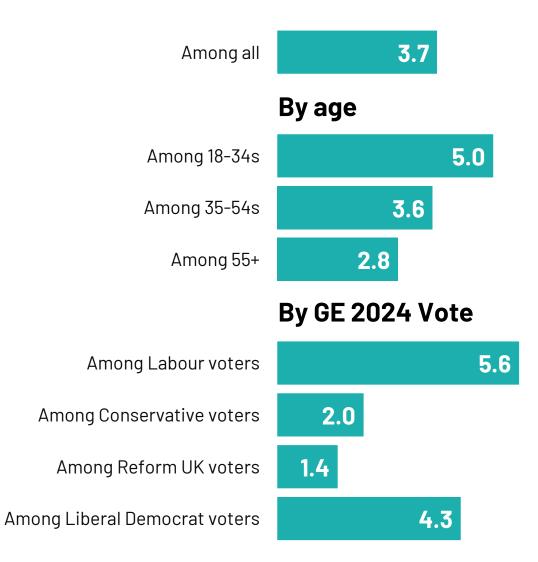
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How is the current Labour government performing?

On a scale of 0 to 10, where 10 means a very good job and 0 means a very bad job, do you think the current Labour government is doing a good or bad job at running the country? Mean scores



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low base size

Almost half of Brits think the government is doing a bad job at running the country

On a scale of 0 to 10, where 10 means a very good job and 0 means a very bad job, do you think the current Labour government is doing a good or bad job at running the country? **% rating different score aggregates**

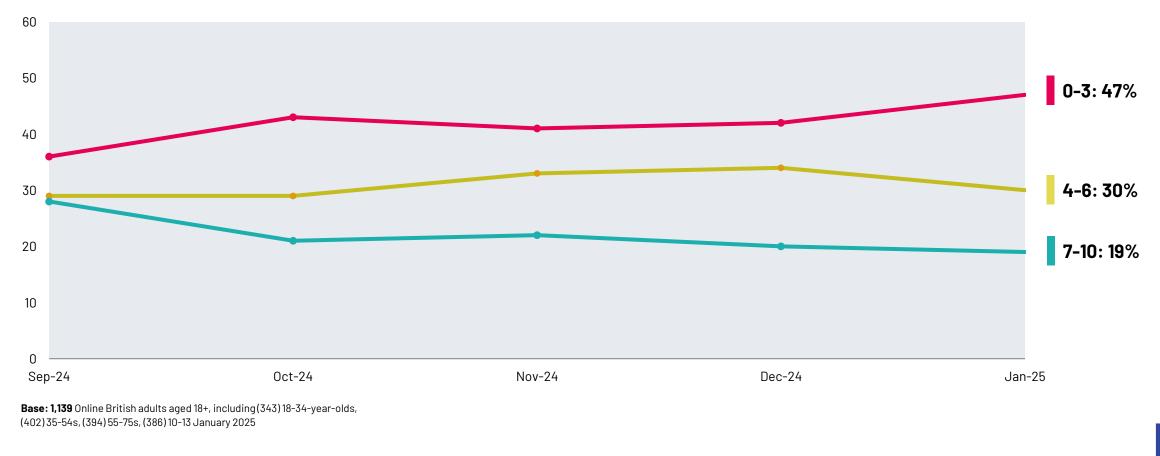


Image of the party leaders

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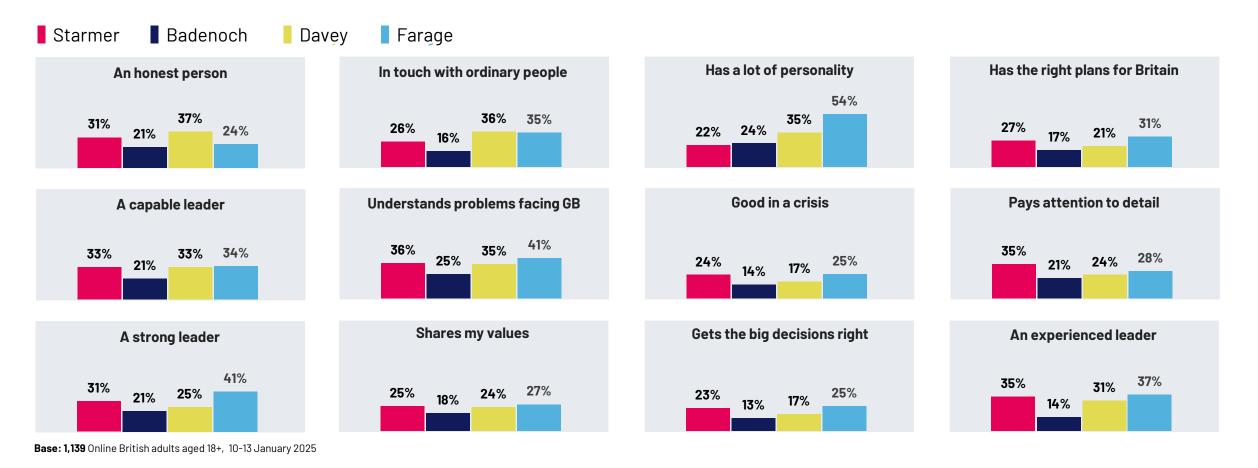




Image of party leader: Keir Starmer

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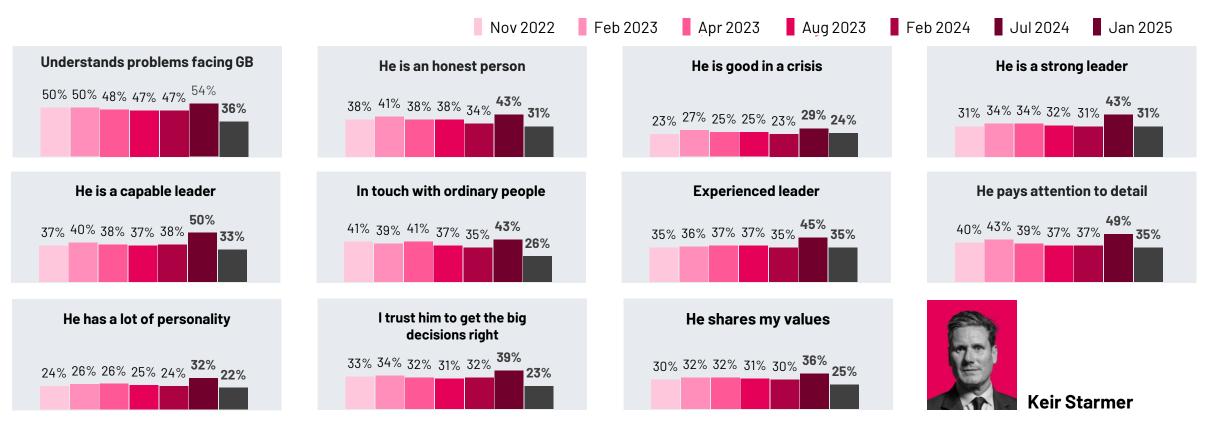
Keir Starmer The Prime Minister

Change since Jul '24 % saying does apply -18 He understands the problems facing Britain 36% -14 He pays attention to detail 35% 35% -10 He is an experienced leader -17 He is a capable leader 33% -12 31% He is an honest person -12 He is a strong leader 31% He has a plan to make 27% -23 the country a better place He is in touch with ordinary people 26% -17 He shares my values 25% -11 He is good in a crisis -5 24% I trust him to get the big decisions right -16 23% He has a lot of personality 22% -10



Image of the Keir Starmer: Trend data

Do you think each of the following statements does or does not apply to ...? Keir Starmer





4 in 5 Brits have been following stories about the cost of living closely

Now thinking about the news and current affairs, how closely, if at all, have you been following stories about...?

	Closely			Not closely
the rising cost of living?			80%	16%
the Russian invasion of Ukraine?		61%	35	%
Keir Starmer announcing new plans to cut waiting times in the NHS	58	8%	3	2%
the current conflict in Israel and Gaza?	52%		44%	
grooming gangs in the UK?	50%		41%	
Donald Trump's claims he wants to acquire Greenland and the Panama Canal for the United States?	49%		38%	0



Brits are slightly more likely to think a full national inquiry into grooming gangs should be set up

You may be aware of the grooming gangs scandal. This refers to multiple cases where groups of men have been convicted of sexually abusing and raping young girls around the UK. The debate has particularly focused on some high-profile cases where the majority of known perpetrators were of Pakistani heritage. A number of local inquiries have been held over the years (such as a 2014 inquiry in Rotherham that looked at cases of abuse there between 1997 and 2013) and a national inquiry on child sexual exploitation more generally was published in 2022. This national inquiry included findings on grooming gangs among other examples of sexual offences against children and failures of institutions to protect children.

More recently, some have called for a national public inquiry into grooming gangs specifically to take place.

Q. If you had to choose, which of the following, if either, comes closest to your view on what should happen next?

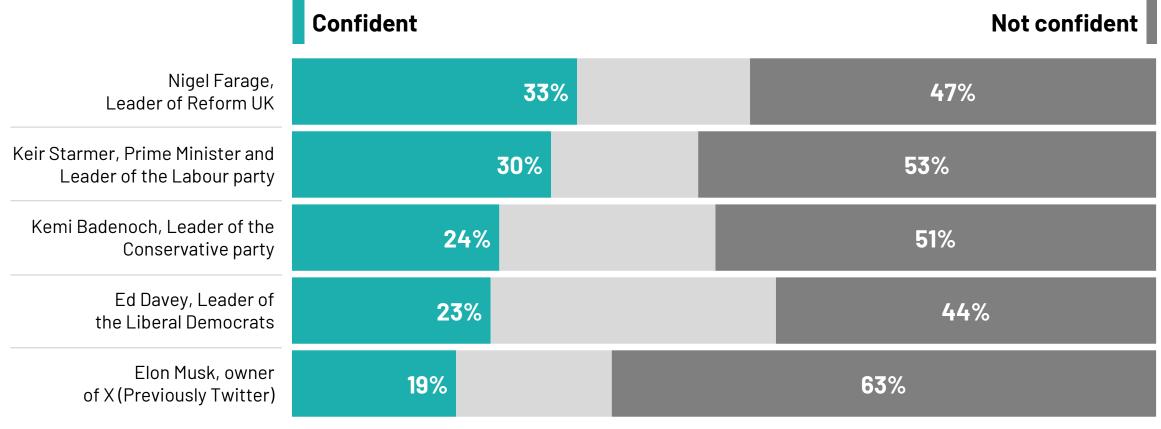
The focus should be on setting up a full national public inquiry into grooming gangs in the UK	44%
The focus should be on implementing the recommendations of inquiries that have already taken place	38%
No preference	6%
l don't think any further action is needed	3%
Don't know	8%
Prefer not to say	1%



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The public are not confident that any of the main party leaders have the right solutions when it comes to dealing with grooming gangs in the UK

How confident, if at all, are you that the following have the right solutions when it comes to dealing with grooming gangs in the UK?





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