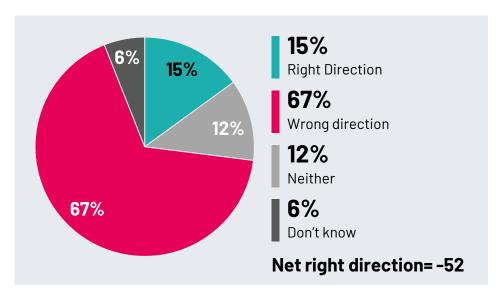


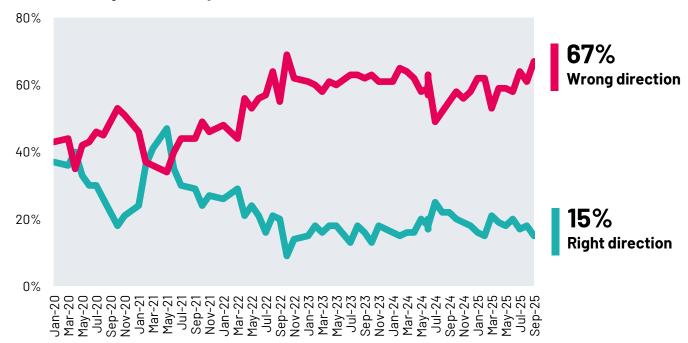
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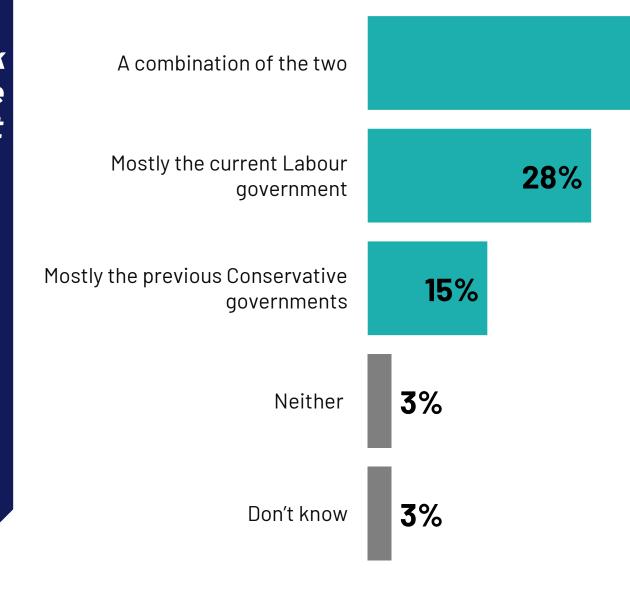
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Half of Britons who think things are heading in the wrong direction say that both the current Labour government and previous Conservative governments are responsible

Would you say that the current Labour government or previous Conservative governments are most responsible for things heading in the **wrong direction?**

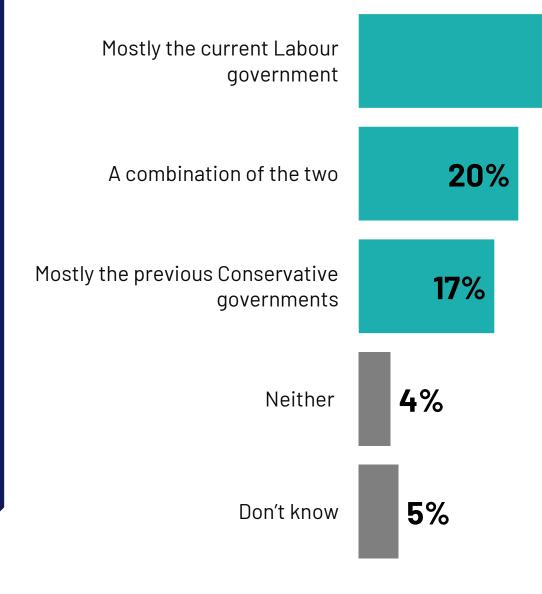




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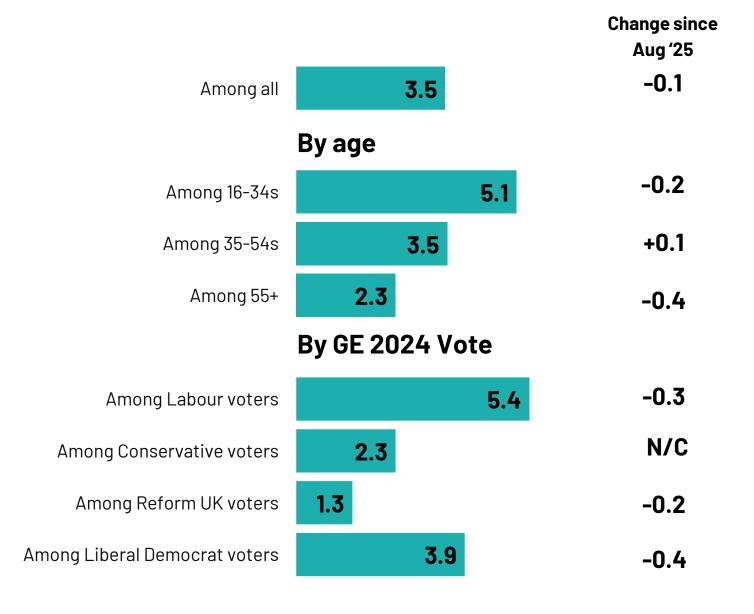
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How is the current Labour government performing?

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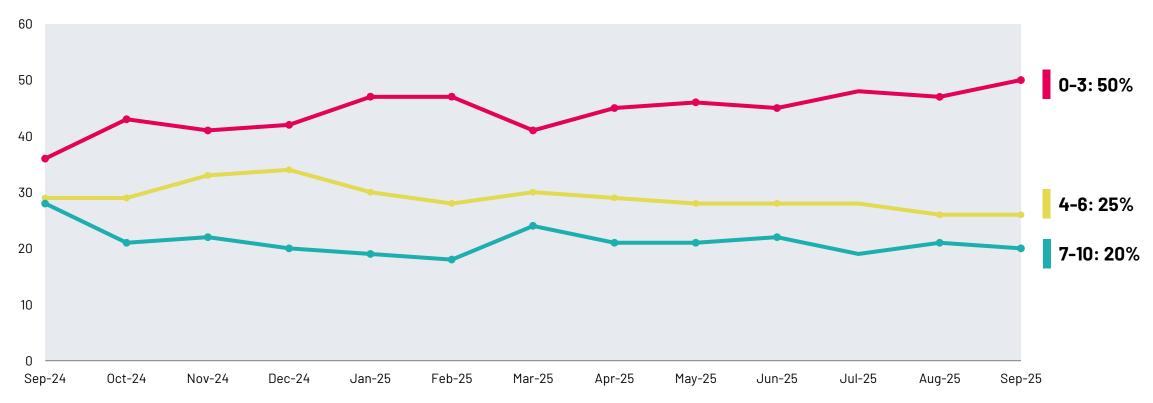
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Perceptions of the Government's performance so far

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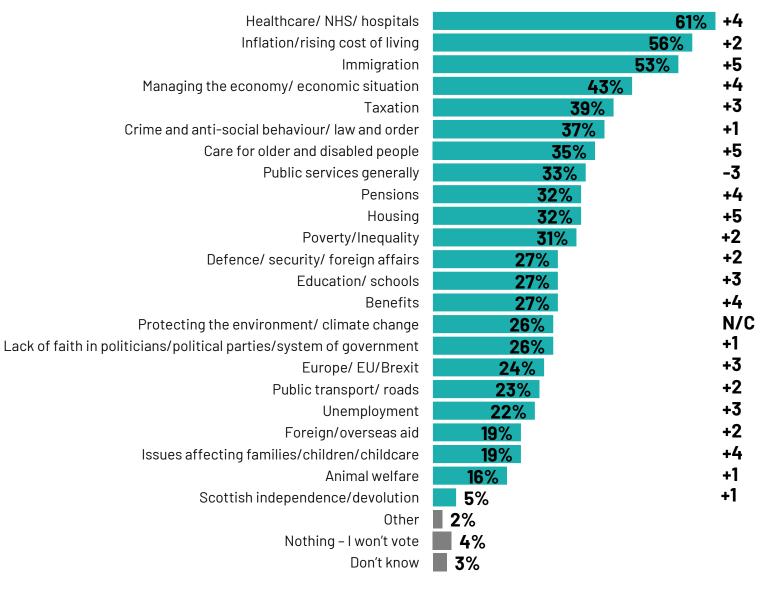




Change since Aug '25

Healthcare and inflation continue to be key issues that will be very important in helping the public decide how to vote at the next General Election

Which, if any, of the following issues do you think will be very important to you in helping you decide which party to vote for at the next General Election?

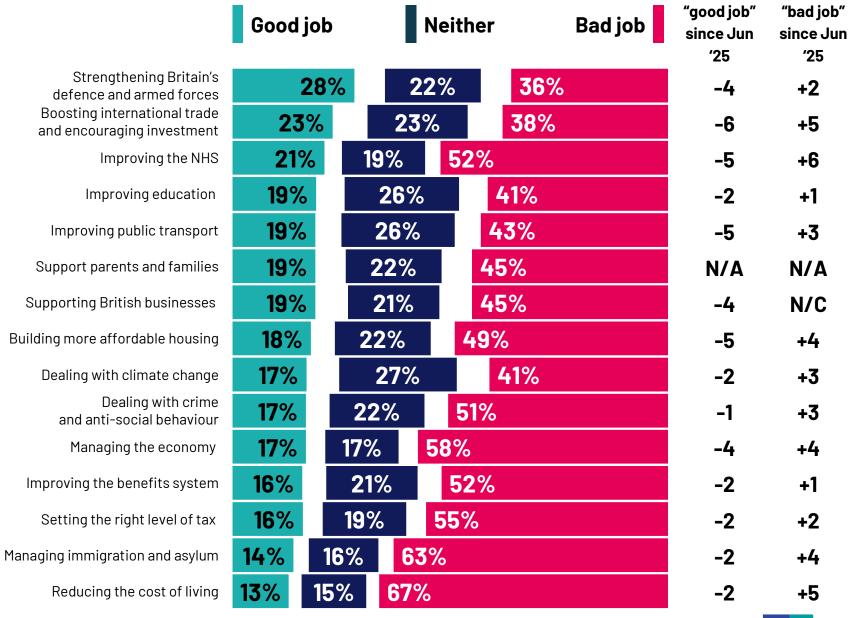




Two thirds of Britons think Labour is doing a bad job at reducing the cost of living

In your opinion, do you think the current Labour government led by Keir Starmer is doing a good job or a bad job, if either, at delivering in the following areas?

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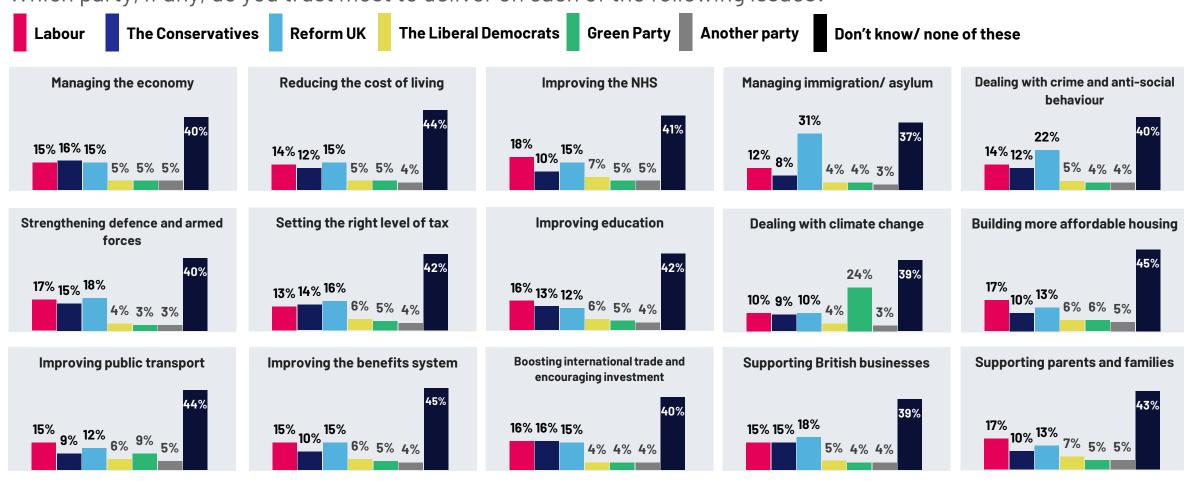


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Best party on key policy issues

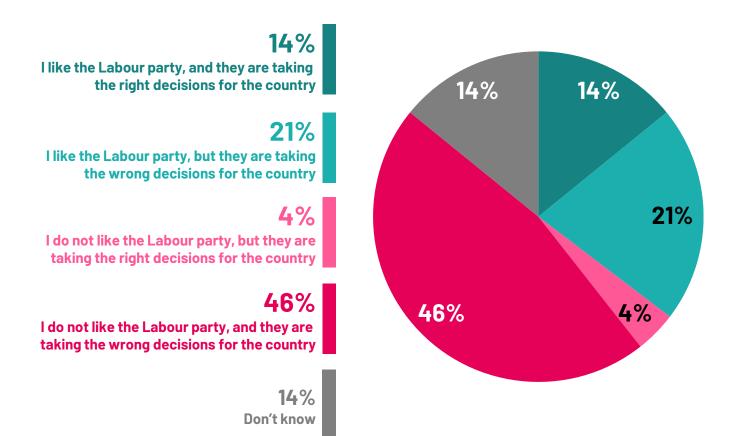
Which party, if any, do you trust most to deliver on each of the following issues?





Two thirds of Britons think Labour are taking the wrong decisions for the country

Which of these statements come closest to your views of the Labour party and the decisions they have taken?



The Labour party and their decision-making	
Total: I like the Labour party	35%
Total: I do not like the Labour party	50%
Total: The Labour party are taking the right decisions for the country	18%
Total: The Labour party are taking the wrong decisions for the country	67 %



If given a choice between the Labour party led by Keir Starmer and Reform UK led by Nigel Farage, Britons are split on which party they would prefer to win the next UK General Election

If you had to choose, which party would you prefer to win the next UK General Election and form the next government?

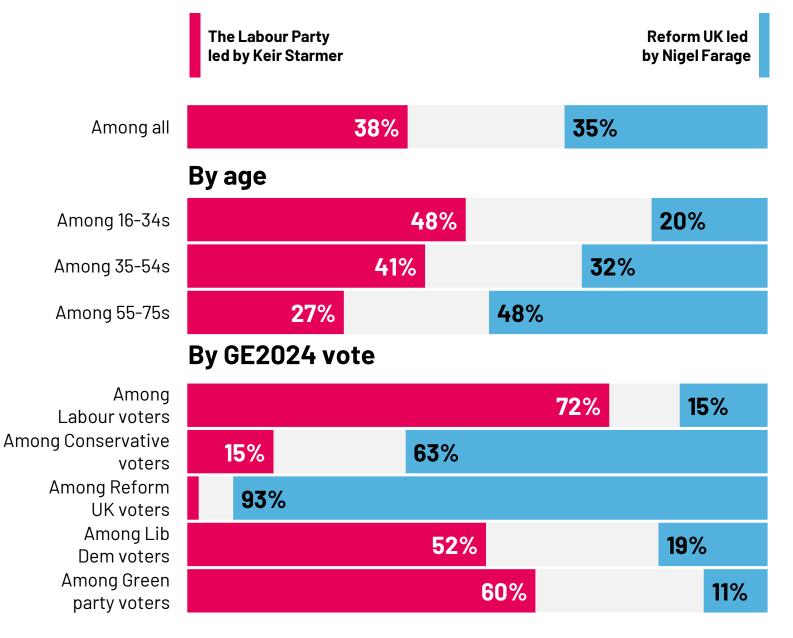




Younger Britons
would prefer Labour
to form the next
Government, whilst
older Britons would
prefer Reform UK

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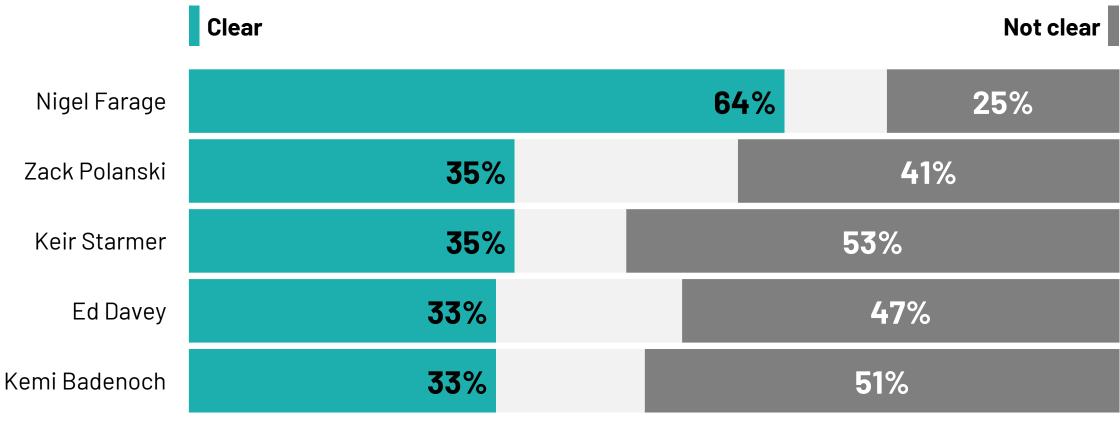
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Two thirds say it is clear what Nigel Farage stands for

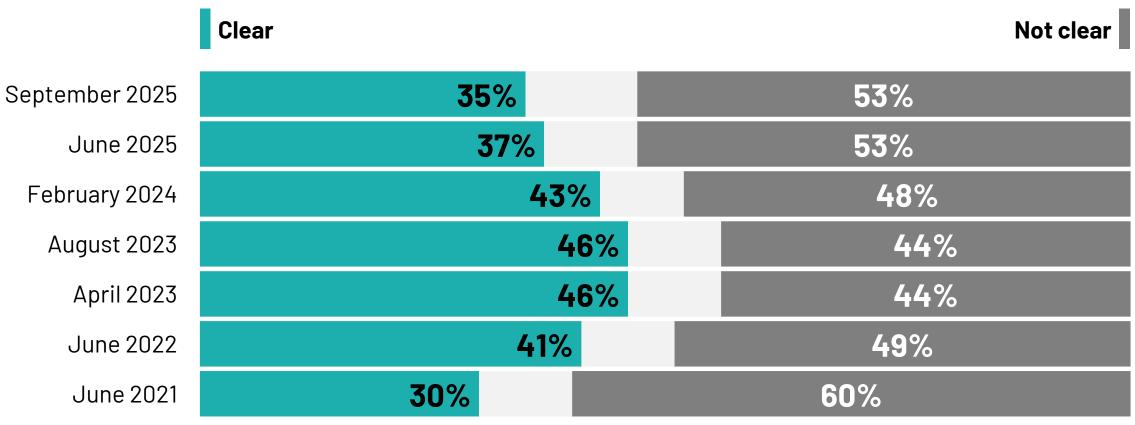
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Half of Britons continue to say it not clear what Keir Starmer stands for

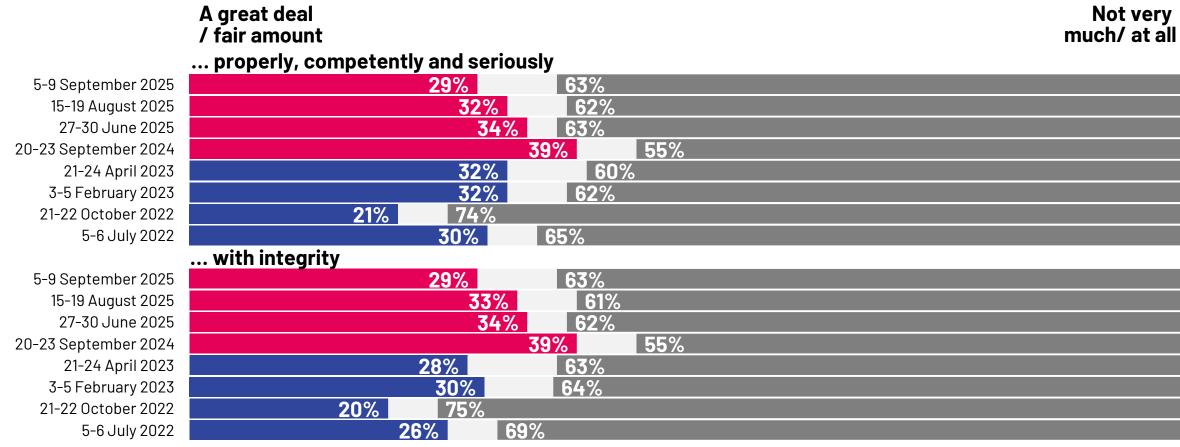
Now thinking about the following political leaders, to what extent would you say it is clear what each leader stands for, or not? *Keir Starmer*





Over six in ten Britons do not have confidence that the UK Government is running the country properly, competently, seriously, nor with integrity

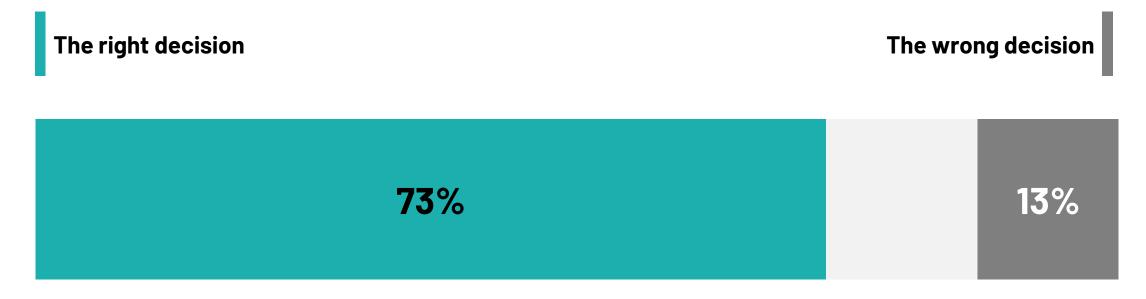
How much confidence, if any, do you have that the UK Government is running the country...?





An overwhelming majority of Britons think Angela Rayner made the right decision to resign

As you may or may not know, Angela Rayner resigned as Deputy Prime Minister and Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government on Friday 5th September. This comes after she referred herself to the Independent Adviser on Ministerial Standards, after revealing she did not pay as much stamp duty as she should have on a new flat. To what extent, do you think this was the right or wrong decision?





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