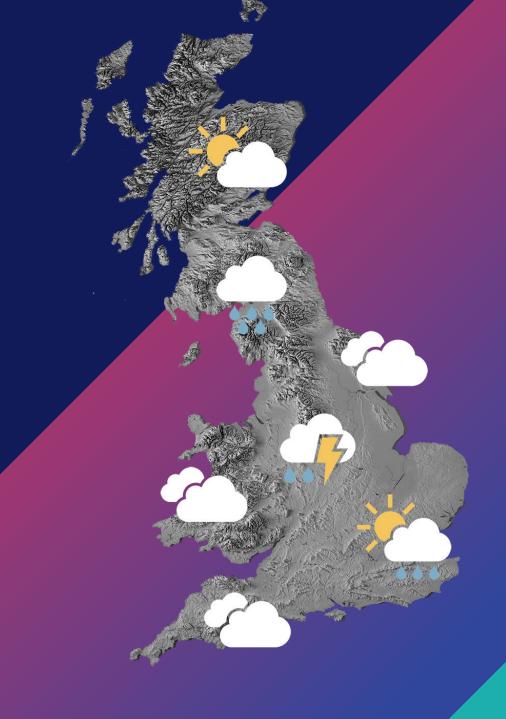
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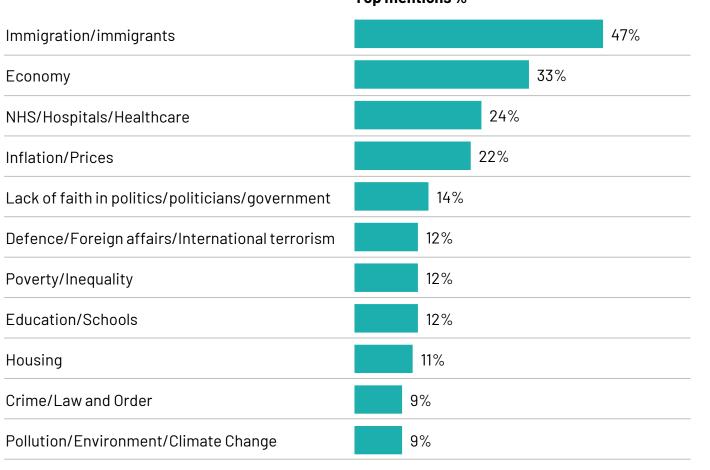




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What do you see as the most/other important issues facing Britain today?

Top mentions % Position



Source: Ipsos Issues Index

+5

+1 🔺

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Change since September:

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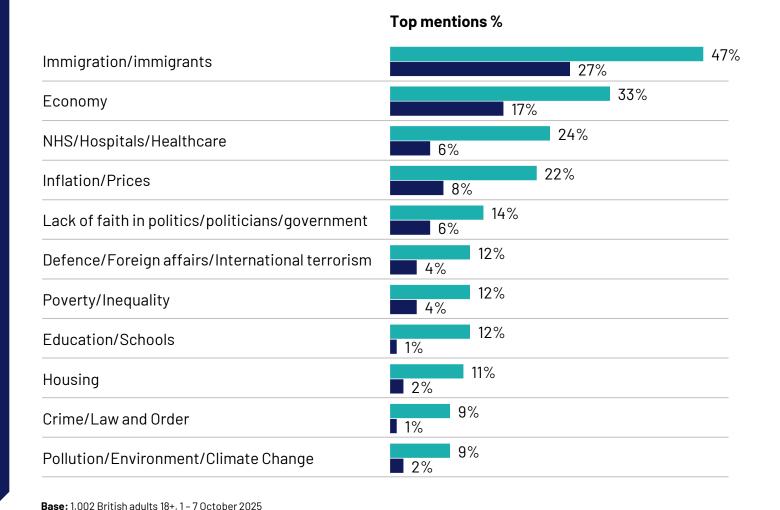
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October 2025

What do you see as the most/other important issues facing Britain today?



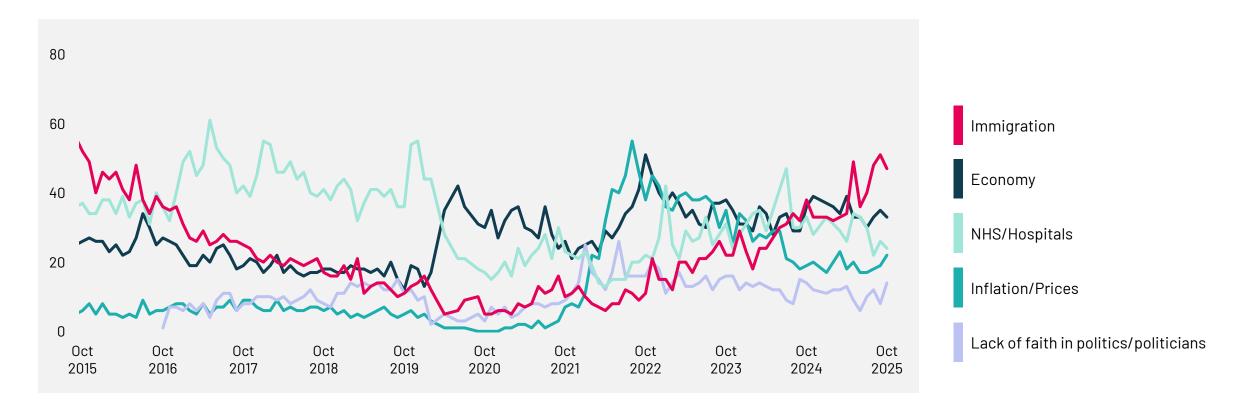
Most/other important issues

Most important issue



Top five concerns for October 2025: trend data

What do you see as the most/other important issues facing Britain today?

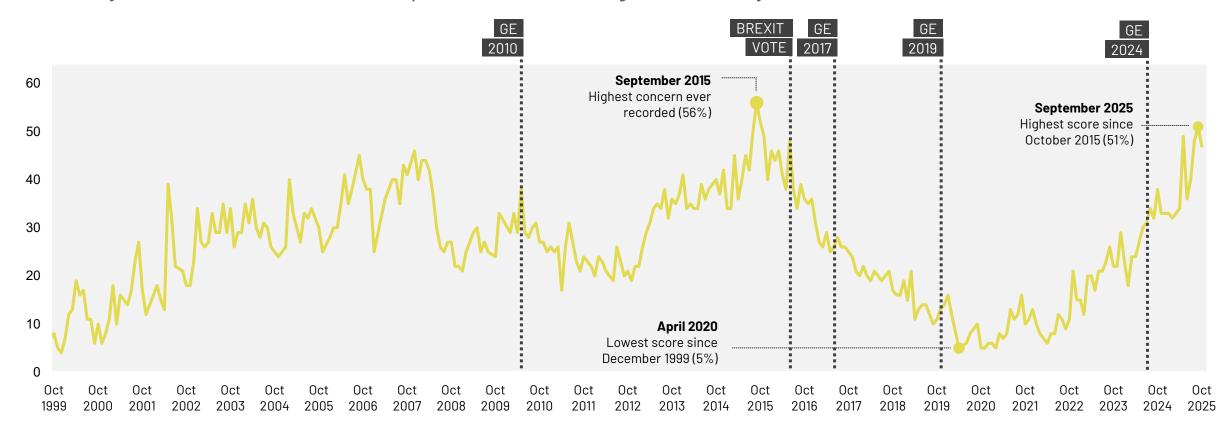


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Immigration/Immigrants

What do you see as the most/other important issues facing Britain today?



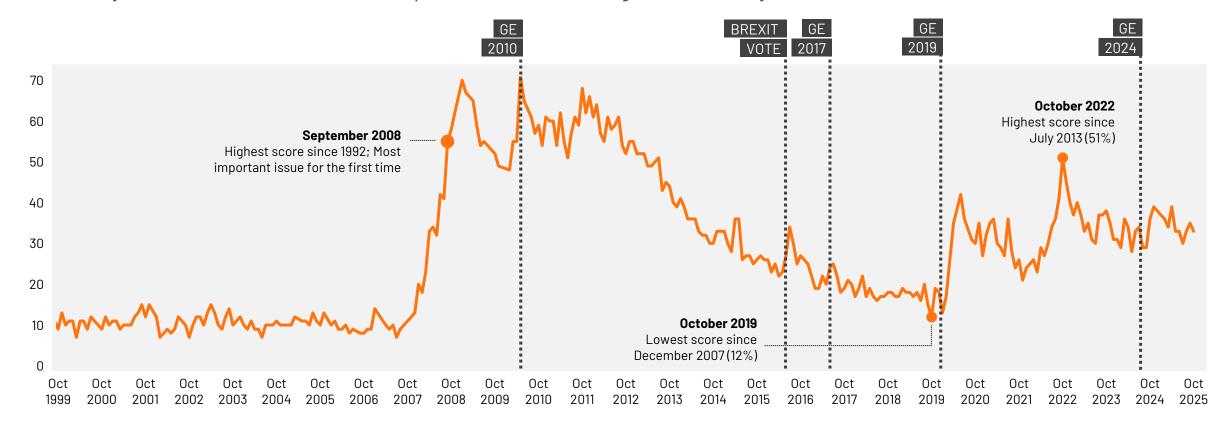
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Up until September 2014 this was a combined code of "Race relations/Immigration", data onwards is split into two separate codes ("Immigration/Immigrants" and "Race Relations")



Economy / Economic situation

What do you see as the most/other important issues facing Britain today?

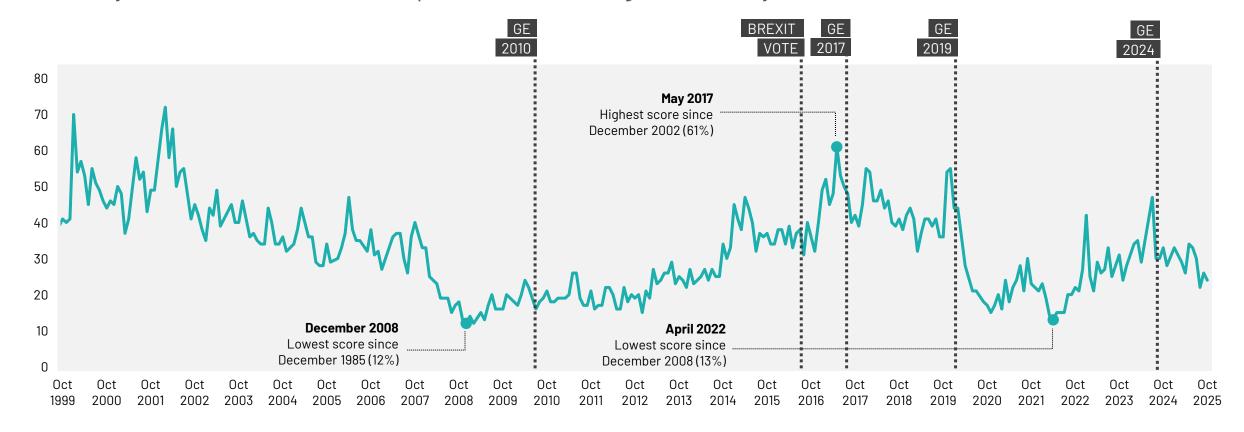


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NHS/Hospitals/Healthcare

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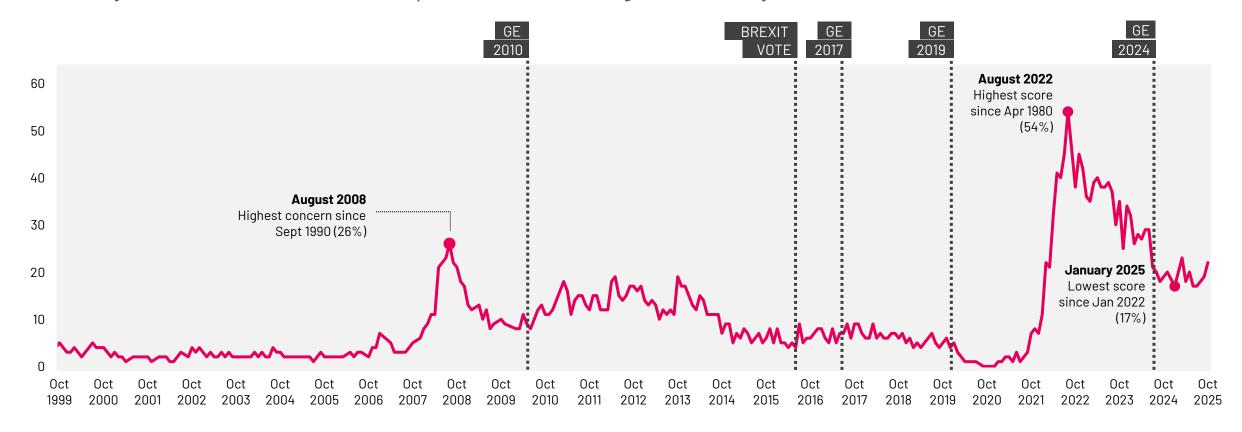


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Inflation/prices

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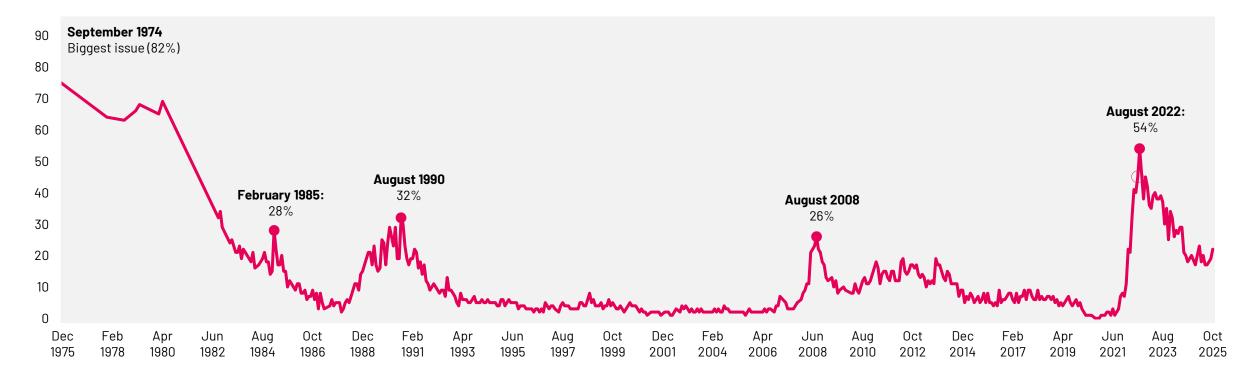


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Inflation/prices - concern since 1974

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Lack of faith in politicians/politics

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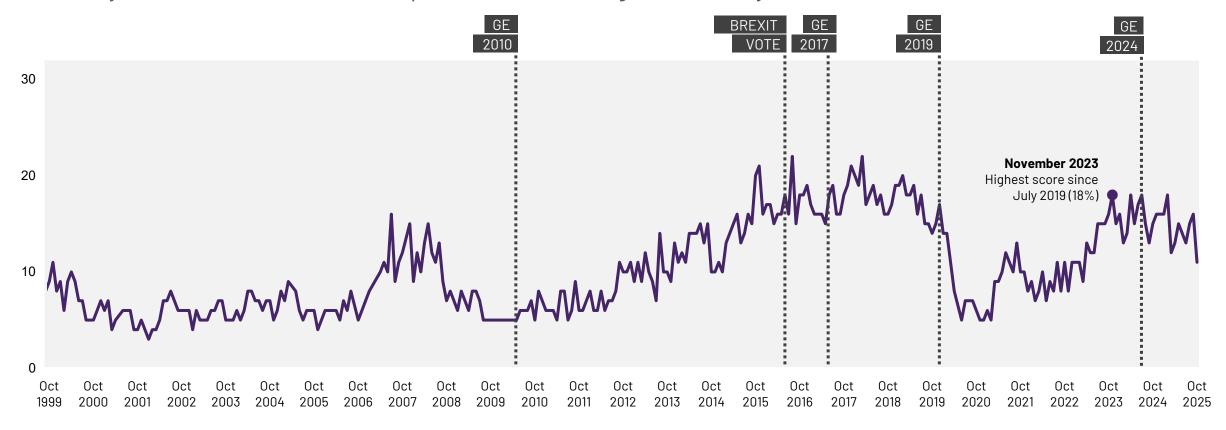


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Housing

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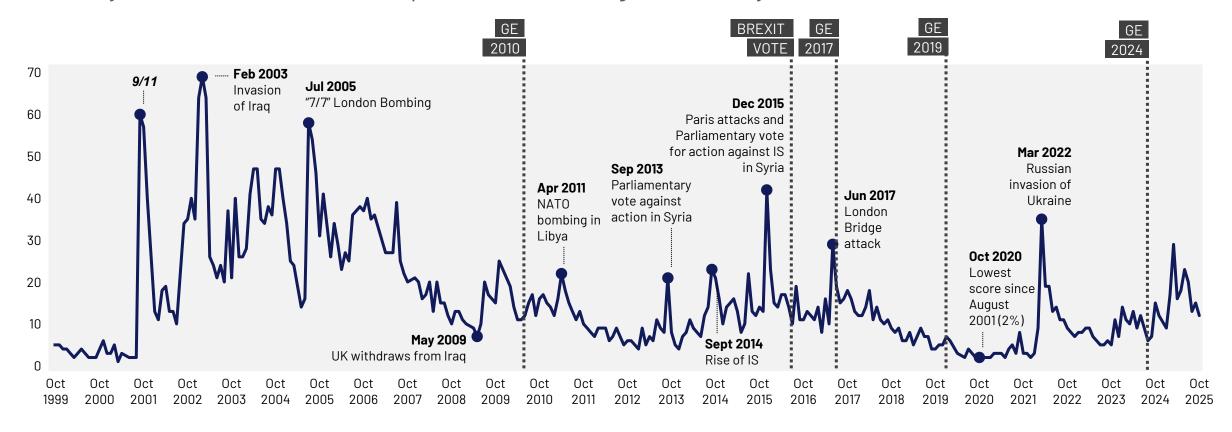


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Defence/Foreign Affairs /International Terrorism

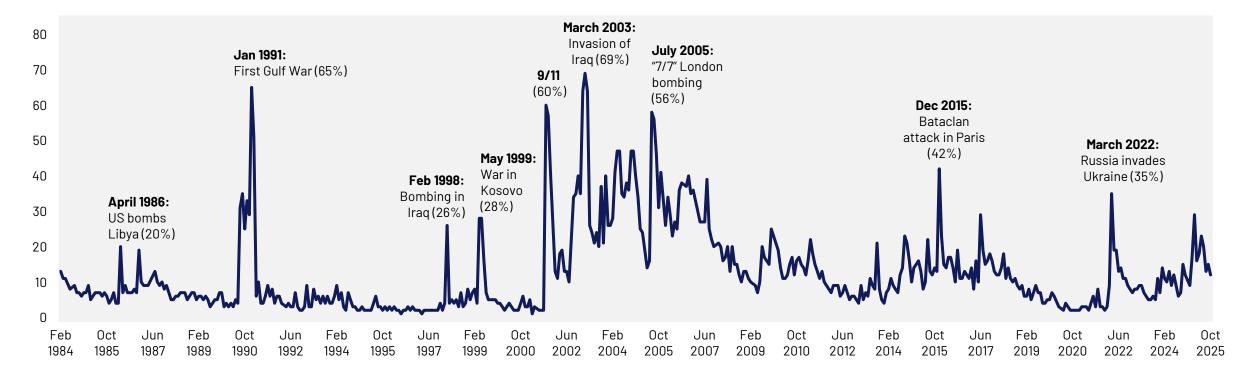
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Defence/Foreign Affairs - Concern Since 1982

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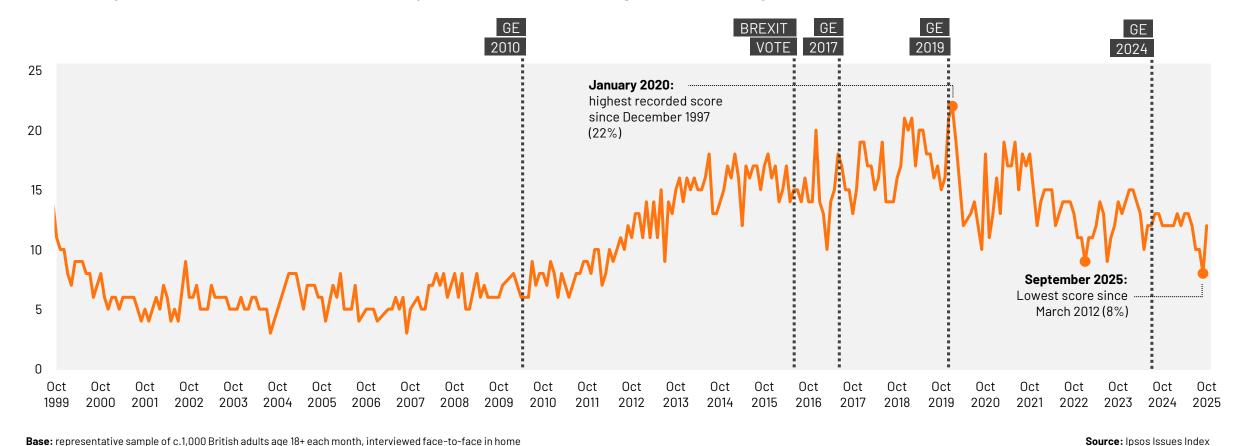


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Poverty/Inequality

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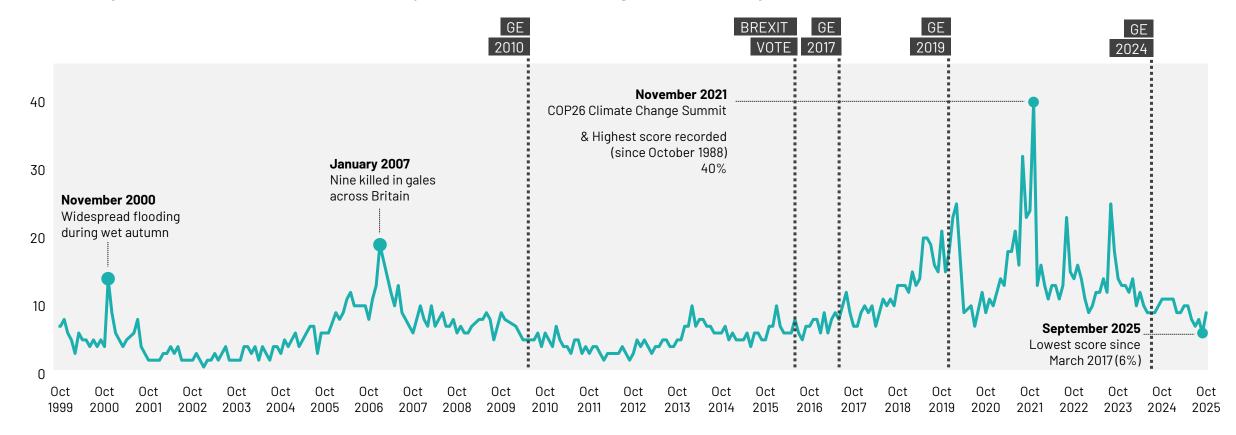


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Pollution/Environment/Climate change

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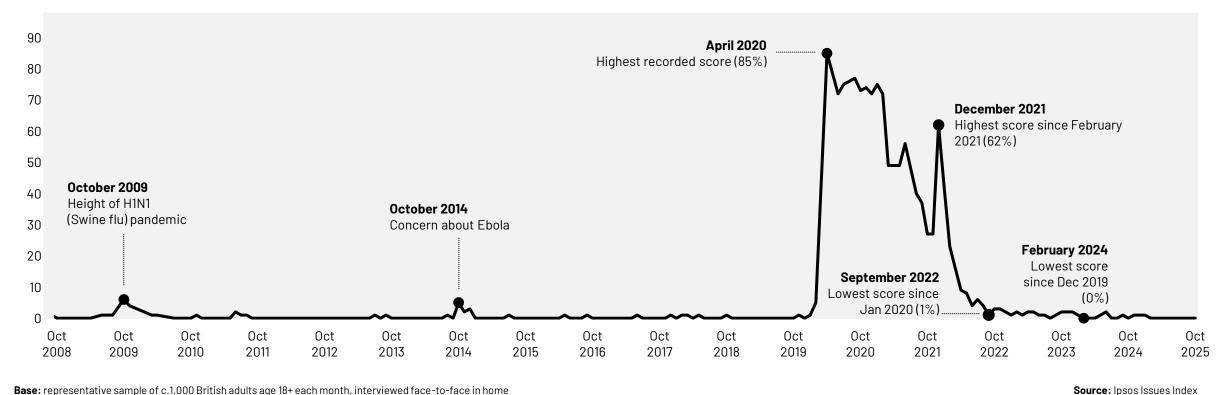


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Coronavirus/Pandemic diseases

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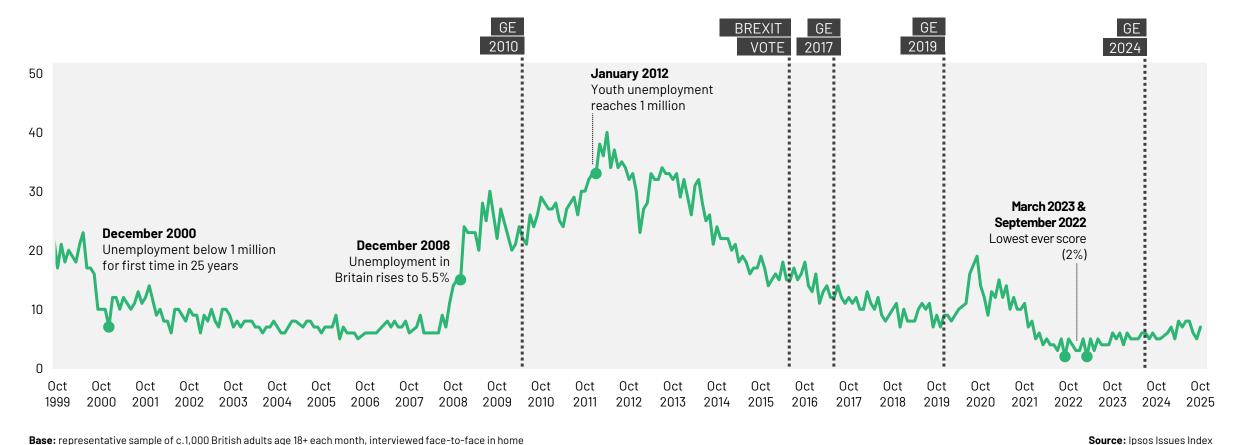


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Unemployment / Factory closure / Lack of industry

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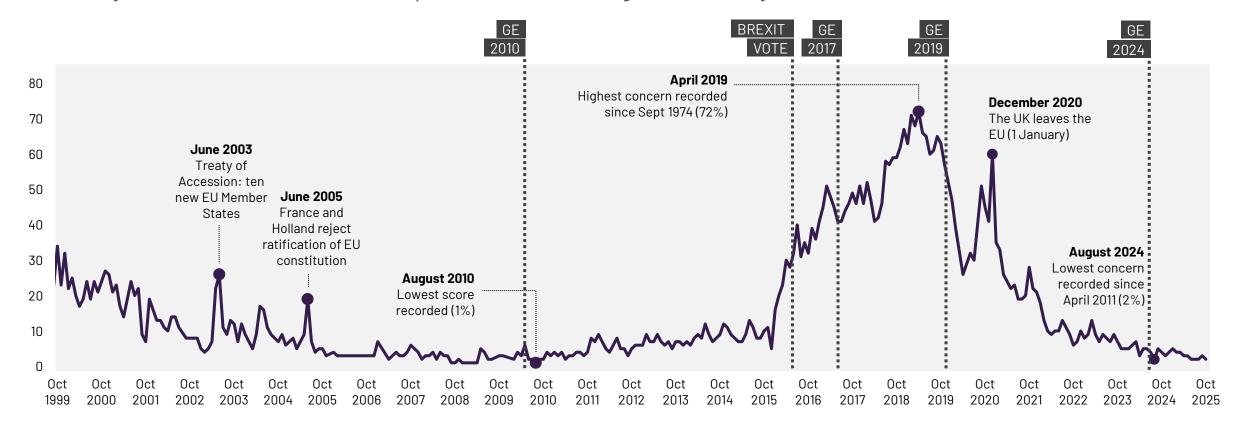


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EU / Europe / Brexit

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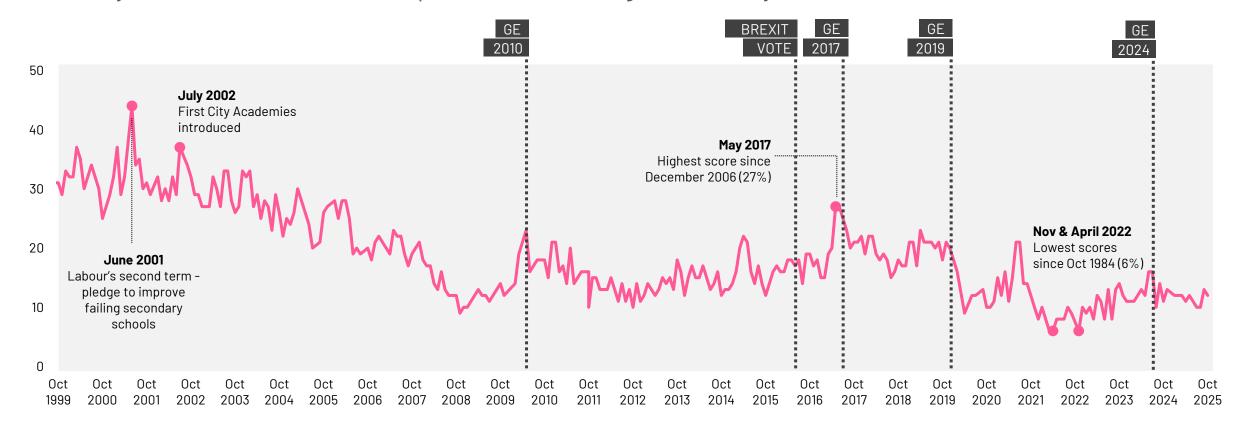


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Education/Schools

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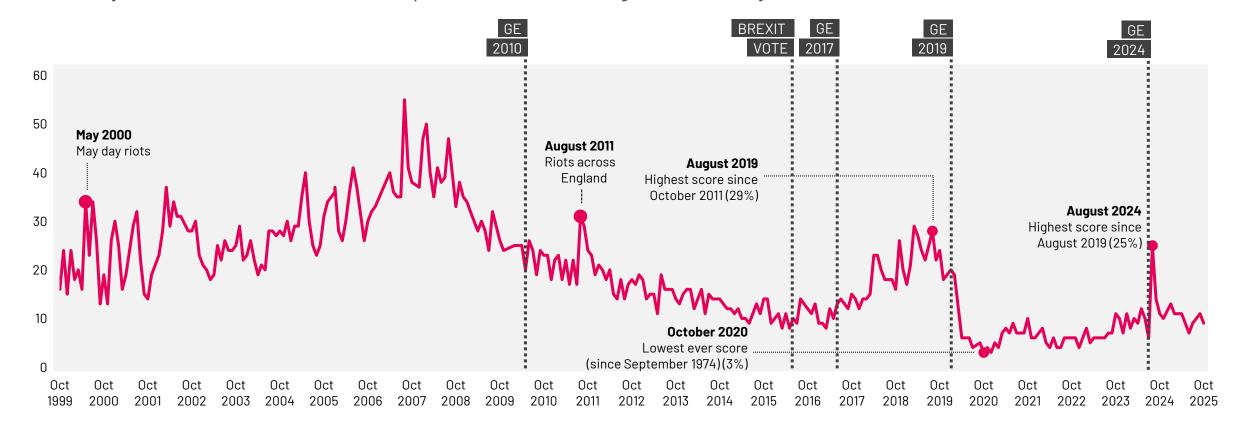


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Crime/Law & Order/Violence/Vandalism / ASB

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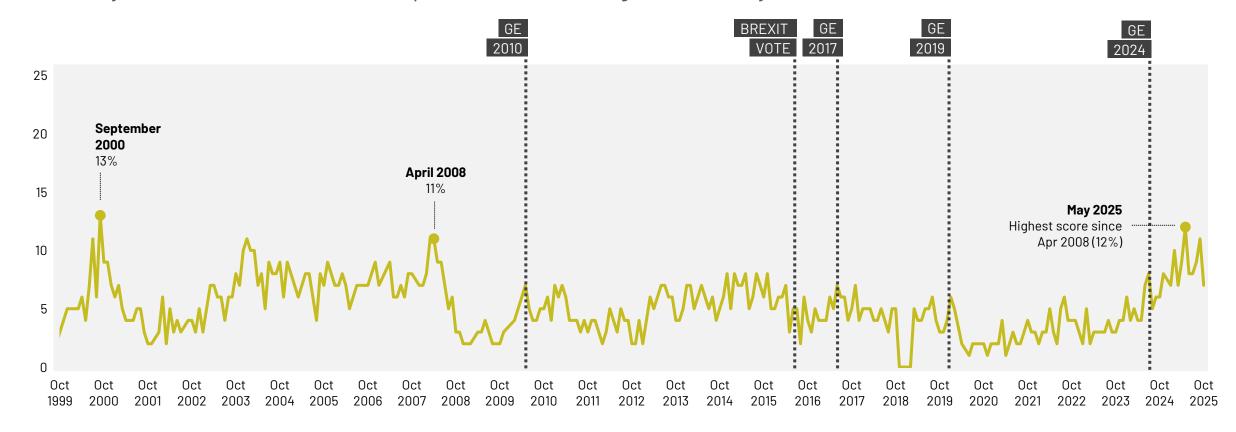


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Taxation

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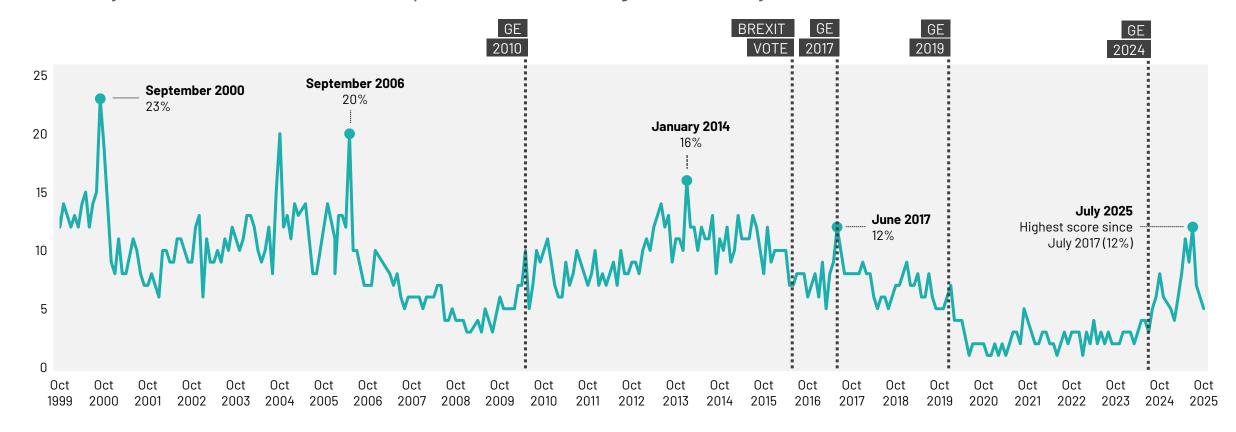


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Pensions/Social Security/Benefits

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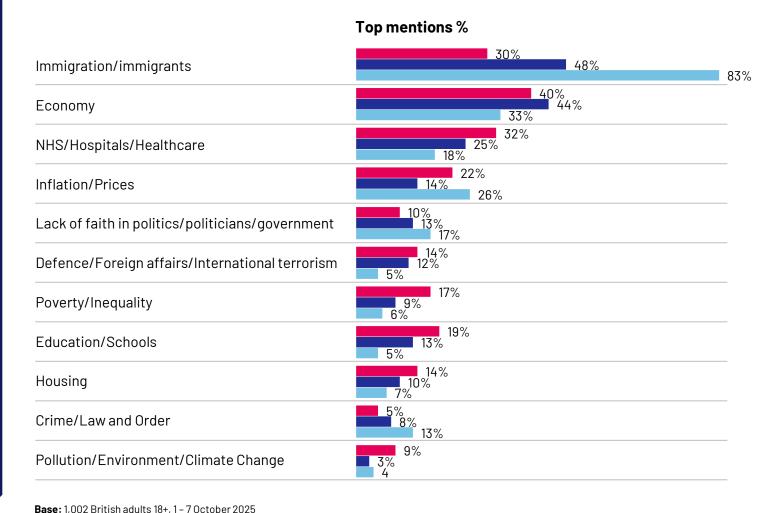


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Party support

What do you see as the most/other important issues facing Britain today?



Source: Ipsos Issues Index

Labour

Supporters

Conservative Supporters

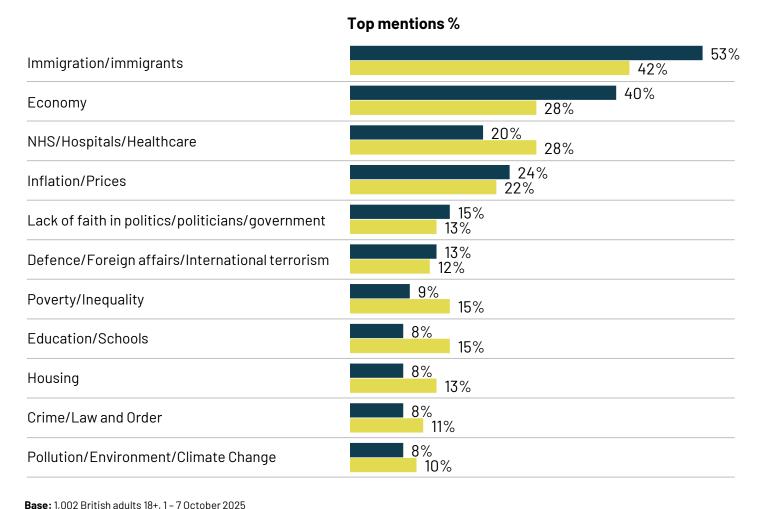
Reform UK

Supporters



Men and women

What do you see as the most/other important issues facing Britain today?



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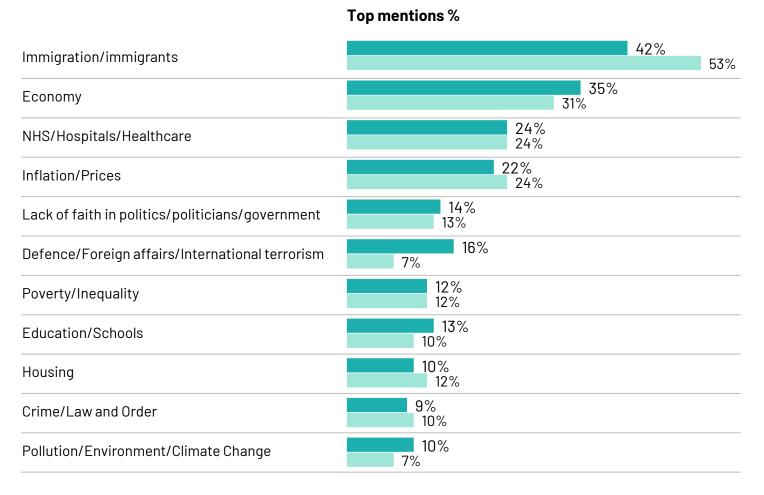
Men

Women



Social grade

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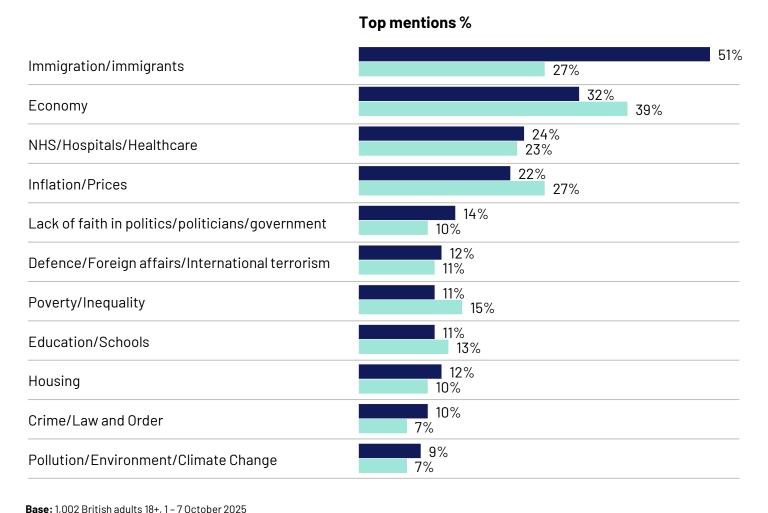


ABC1

C2DE

Ethnic background

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Source: Ipsos Issues Index

White

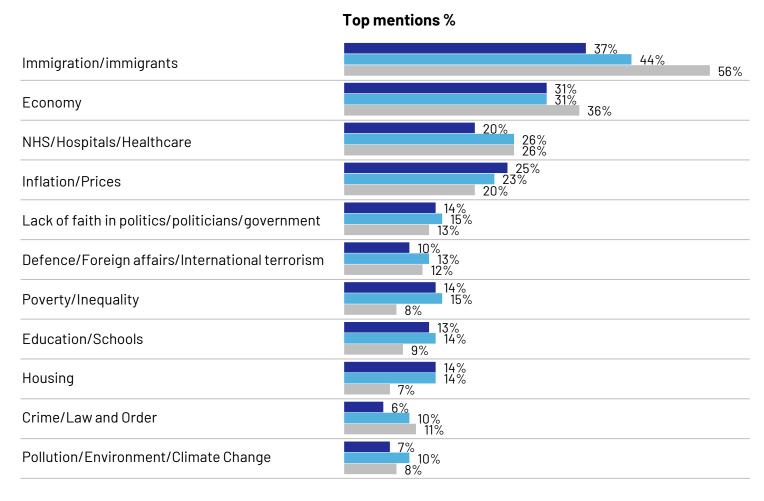
Ethnic

Minorities



Age group

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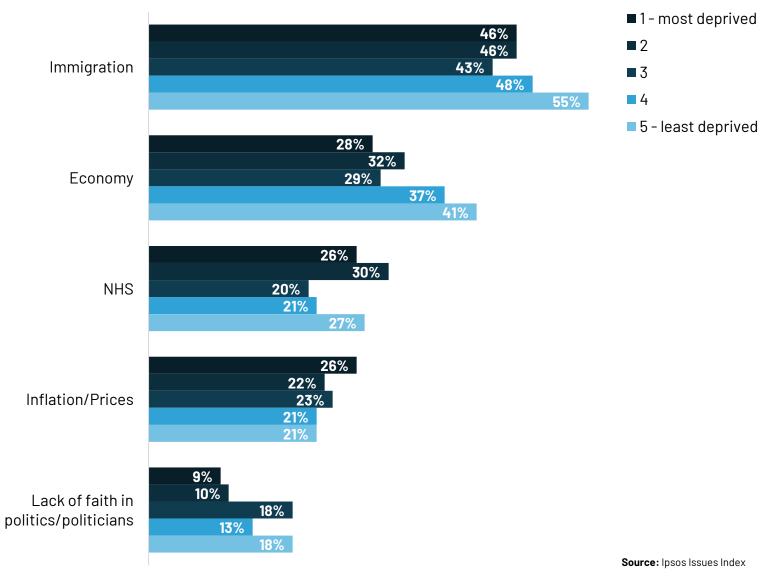
18-34

35-54

55+

Top five concerns by IMD quintile

What do you see as the most/other important issues facing Britain today?



"IMD" are the Indices of Multiple Deprivation, a measure of multiple deprivation for small areas

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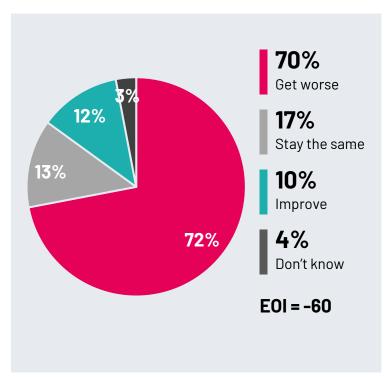




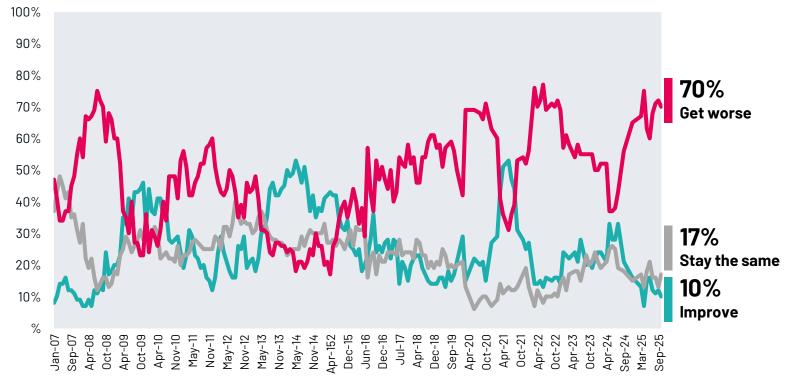
Ipsos Economic Optimism Index

Do you think that the general economic condition of the country will improve, stay the same or get worse over the next 12 months?

October 2025



January 2007 - October 2025

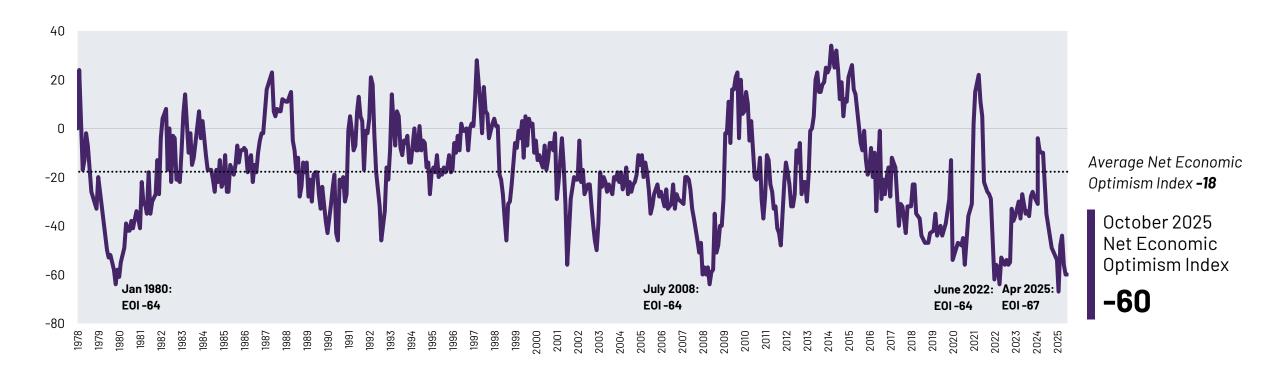


Base: 1,002 British adults 18+, 1 - 7 October 2025



Ipsos Economic Optimism Index (1978-2025)

Do you think that the general economic condition of the country will improve, stay the same or get worse over the next 12 months? *Net Economic Optimism Index* = % *get better minus* % *get worse*



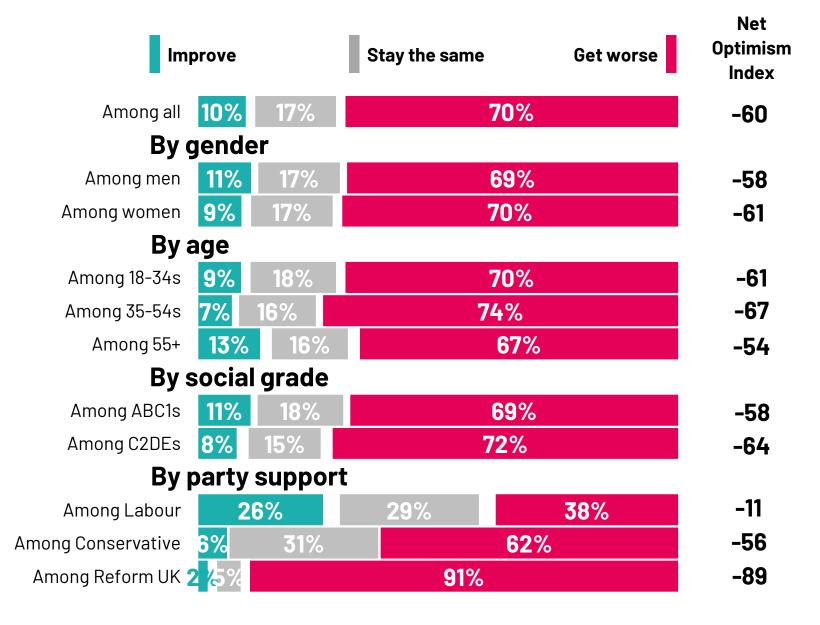
Base: c.1,000 British adults 18+ each month



Economic optimism: by sub-group

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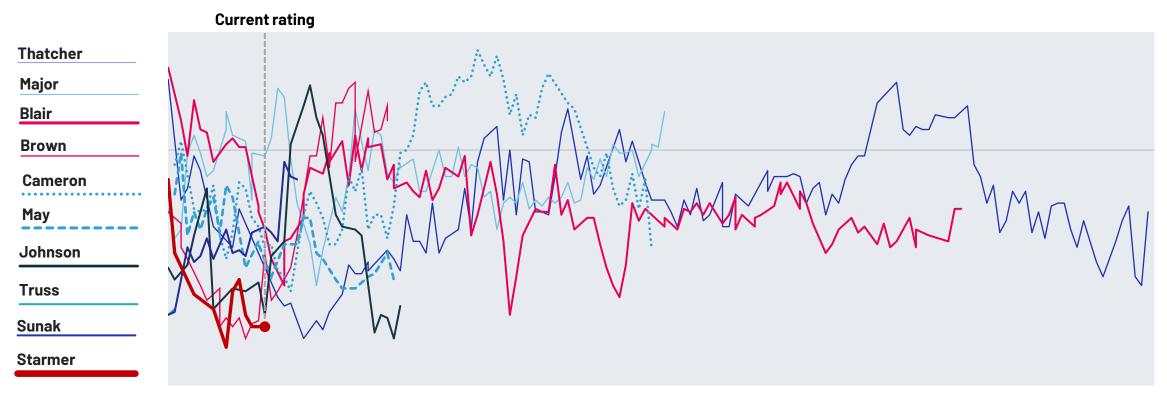
Base: 1,002 British adults aged 18+, including (549) men, (433) women, (228) 18-34-year-olds, (311) 35-54s, (463) 55-75s, (698) ABC1, and (304) C2DE, 1 – 7 October 2025





Net Economic Optimism Index: By Prime Minister

Do you think that the general economic condition of the country will improve, stay the same or get worse over the next 12 months? Net Economic Optimism Index = % get better minus % get worse



Number of months after becoming prime minister

Note: Data collected prior to February 2008 was collected via face-to-face methodology; data collected from February 2008 was via telephone;

Base: c.1,000 British adults 18+ each month



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