

Unison, Meat Standards – January 2020

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Meat Safety Survey

ONLINE Fieldwork: 24th to 27th January 2020

Absolutes/col percents

Table 1

Q.1 Which of the following do you think is best placed to check that the meat for sale in the UK is safe, and not diseased or contaminated?

Base: All respondents

| | Gender | | | Age | | | | | | | | | Social Grade | | | | Employment Sector | |
|--|-------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------|----------------|
| | Total | Male (a) | Female (b) | 18-24 (c) | 25-34 (d) | 35-44 (e) | 45-54 (f) | 55-64 (g) | 65+ (h) | 18-34 (i) | 35-54 (j) | 55+ (k) | AB (l) | C1 (m) | C2 (n) | DE (o) | Public (p) | Private (q) |
| Unweighted base | 2015 | 984 | 1031 | 199 | 306 | 339 | 395 | 284 | 492 | 505 | 734 | 776 | 591 | 596 | 303 | 525 | 327 | 806 |
| Weighted base | 2015 | 983 | 1032 | 224 | 348 | 322 | 356 | 298 | 466 | 572 | 679 | 764 | 550 | 566 | 409 | 490 | 342 | 821 |
| Independent inspectors employed by the government | 1302 65% | 703 71%B | 599 58% | 101 45% | 162 46% | 189 59%CD | 242 68%CDE | 230 77%CDEF | 378 81%CDEF | 263 46% | 431 63%I | 608 80%IJ | 385 70%nO | 372 66%O | 262 64%o | 283 58% | 205 60% | 490 60% |
| Independent inspectors employed by private companies | 185 9% | 75 8% | 109 11%A | 39 17%EFGH | 51 15%FGH | 32 10%H | 25 7%h | 18 6% | 19 4% | 90 16%JK | 58 8%K | 37 5% | 59 11% | 45 8% | 35 9% | 46 9% | 29 8% | 100 12%p |
| Slaughterhouses and abattoirs themselves | 164 8% | 75 8% | 89 9% | 20 9%H | 43 12%FGH | 35 11%GH | 26 7% | 18 6% | 22 5% | 63 11%K | 61 9%K | 40 5% | 38 7% | 39 7% | 38 9% | 49 10%lm | 24 7% | 84 10% |
| Other | 12 1% | 3 * | 9 1% | 2 1%h | 2 1% | 3 1%h | 4 1%H | 1 * | - | 4 1%k | 7 1%K | 1 * | 4 1% | 3 1% | 2 1% | 4 1% | 2 1% | 5 1% |
| Don't know | 352 17% | 128 13% | 225 22%A | 60 27%eFGH | 91 26%eFGH | 63 19%GH | 60 17%GH | 31 10% | 47 10% | 152 27%JK | 122 18%K | 78 10% | 64 12% | 107 19%L | 72 18%L | 109 22%L | 82 24%Q | 141 17% |

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| Weighted base | 2015 | 175 | 101* | 1739 | 85* | 232 | 169 | 179 | 147 | 193 | 272 | 282 | 179 |
| Independent inspectors employed by the government | 1302 65% | 111 63% | 60 59% | 1130 65% | 58 68% | 157 68% | 117 69% ^m | 112 63% | 97 66% | 126 65% | 167 61% | 189 67% | 107 60% |
| Independent inspectors employed by private companies | 185 9% | 21 12% ^{eF} | 11 11% ^F | 153 9% | 4 4% | 8 4% | 14 8% ^f | 16 9% ^F | 10 7% | 19 10% ^F | 39 14% ^{EFgIL} | 22 8% ^f | 20 11% ^F |
| Slaughterhouses and abattoirs themselves | 164 8% | 18 10% | 9 9% | 138 8% | 8 9% | 18 8% | 15 9% | 18 10% | 8 5% | 19 10% | 16 6% | 17 6% | 19 10% |
| Other | 12 1% | 1 1% | * * | 11 1% | 2 2% ^m | 1 * | 1 1% | 2 1% | * * | * * | 2 1% | 2 1% | - - |
| Don't know | 352 17% | 24 14% | 21 21% | 307 18% | 14 16% | 48 21% ^{ag} | 22 13% | 31 17% | 32 21% ^{ag} | 29 15% | 47 17% | 52 18% | 34 19% |

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Summary**Base: All respondents**

| | | Inspectors employed by private companies | The slaughterhouses and abattoirs themselves |
|-----------------------------|------|---|---|
| Unweighted base | | 2015 | 2015 |
| Weighted base | | 2015 | 2015 |
| NET: More confident | | 338 17% | 219 11% |
| Much more confident | (+2) | 95 5% | 66 3% |
| Slightly more confident | (+1) | 243 12% | 153 8% |
| It would make no difference | (0) | 399 20% | 290 14% |
| Slightly less confident | (-1) | 607 30% | 435 22% |
| Much less confident | (-2) | 438 22% | 865 43% |
| NET: Less confident | | 1045 52% | 1299 64% |
| Don't know | | 233 12% | 207 10% |
| Mean | | -0.59 | -1.04 |
| Standard deviation | | 1.15 | 1.14 |
| Standard error | | 0.03 | 0.03 |

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Inspectors employed by private companies

Base: All respondents

| | Gender | | | Age | | | | | | | | Social Grade | | | | Employment Sector | | |
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| Weighted base | 2015 | 983 | 1032 | 224 | 348 | 322 | 356 | 298 | 466 | 572 | 679 | 764 | 550 | 566 | 409 | 490 | 342 | 821 |
| NET: More confident | 338 17% | 138 14% | 200 19%A | 74 33%DEFGH | 84 24%EFGH | 54 17%GH | 58 16%gH | 31 11% | 35 8% | 159 28%JK | 112 17%K | 67 9% | 89 16% | 71 13% | 88 22%LM | 90 18%M | 57 17% | 178 22%p |
| Much more confident (+2) | 95 5% | 32 3% | 63 6%A | 21 9%eFGH | 26 7%fGH | 16 5%H | 15 4%h | 9 3% | 9 2% | 47 8%JK | 31 5%K | 17 2% | 28 5% | 21 4% | 23 6% | 23 5% | 15 4% | 54 7% |
| Slightly more confident (+1) | 243 12% | 106 11% | 137 13% | 53 24%DEFGH | 59 17%GH | 38 12%H | 43 12%gH | 23 8% | 27 6% | 112 20%JK | 81 12%K | 50 6% | 61 11% | 50 9% | 65 16%LM | 66 14%M | 42 12% | 123 15% |
| It would make no difference (0) | 399 20% | 191 19% | 209 20% | 38 17% | 82 23%H | 69 21%h | 74 21%h | 63 21%h | 74 16% | 120 21% | 143 21% | 137 18% | 113 21% | 106 19% | 72 18% | 108 22% | 66 19% | 170 21% |
| Slightly less confident (-1) | 607 30% | 324 33%B | 283 27% | 45 20% | 70 20% | 77 24% | 114 32%CDE | 107 36%CDE | 194 42%CDEF | 115 20% | 191 28%I | 302 39%LJ | 160 29% | 192 34%lO | 124 30% | 131 27% | 102 30% | 213 26% |
| Much less confident (-2) | 438 22% | 244 25%B | 193 19% | 23 10% | 49 14% | 78 24%CD | 71 20%cd | 84 28%CDF | 132 28%CDF | 72 13% | 149 22%I | 217 28%LJ | 138 25%O | 128 23%o | 84 20% | 88 18% | 62 18% | 165 20% |
| NET: Less confident | 1045 52% | 568 58%B | 476 46% | 67 30% | 119 34% | 154 48%CD | 185 52%cd | 192 64%CDEF | 327 70%CDEF | 187 33% | 339 50%I | 519 68%IJ | 298 54%O | 321 57%O | 207 51% | 219 45% | 164 48% | 379 46% |
| Don't know | 233 12% | 87 9% | 147 14%A | 44 20%FGH | 63 18%FGH | 45 14%GH | 40 11%GH | 12 4% | 30 6% | 107 19%JK | 85 12%K | 42 6% | 51 9% | 68 12% | 41 10% | 73 15%Ln | 54 16%q | 94 12% |
| Mean | -0.59 | -0.72 | -0.46A | 0.03dEFG H | -0.20EFGH | -0.58GH | -0.58GH | -0.83 | -0.95 | -0.11JK | -0.58K | -0.90 | -0.64 | -0.72 | -0.49M | -0.47LM | -0.53 | -0.43 |
| Standard deviation | 1.15 | 1.09 | 1.19 | 1.24 | 1.21 | 1.20 | 1.12 | 1.04 | 0.95 | 1.22 | 1.15 | 0.98 | 1.17 | 1.09 | 1.20 | 1.15 | 1.14 | 1.22 |
| Standard error | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.10 | 0.08 | 0.07 | 0.06 | 0.06 | 0.04 | 0.06 | 0.05 | 0.04 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.07 | 0.05 | 0.07 | 0.05 |

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| Weighted base | 2015 | 175 | 101* | 1739 | 85* | 232 | 169 | 179 | 147 | 193 | 272 | 282 | 179 |
| NET: More confident | 338 17% | 33 19%F | 13 13% | 291 17% | 11 13% | 26 11% | 24 14% | 36 20%F | 27 19%f | 35 18%f | 51 19%F | 47 17% | 34 19%F |
| Much more confident | (+2) 95 5% | 14 8% ^{dEfGl} | 5 5% | 76 4% | 1 1% | 8 4% | 4 2% | 12 6% ^{eg} | 8 5% | 9 5% | 12 4% | 10 4% | 13 7% ^{eg} |
| Slightly more confident | (+1) 243 12% | 20 11% | 8 8% | 215 12% | 10 12% | 17 7% | 20 12% | 24 14%f | 20 13%f | 26 13%f | 39 14%F | 37 13%f | 22 12% |
| It would make no difference | (0) 399 20% | 41 23% ^l | 18 18% | 340 20% | 22 26% ^{jL} | 50 22% | 28 17% | 33 18% | 39 27% ^{GhJL} | 32 16% | 54 20% | 44 16% | 38 21% |
| Slightly less confident | (-1) 607 30% | 49 28% | 30 30% | 528 30% | 23 28% | 76 33% | 63 37% ^{aIKm} | 57 32% | 36 24% | 65 34% ⁱ | 73 27% | 85 30% | 50 28% |
| Much less confident | (-2) 438 22% | 38 22% | 24 23% | 376 22% | 22 26% | 46 20% | 34 20% | 37 21% | 27 18% | 46 24% | 62 23% | 67 24% | 35 20% |
| NET: Less confident | 1045 52% | 87 50% | 54 54% | 903 52% | 45 53% ⁱ | 122 53% ⁱ | 97 57% ^l | 94 52% | 63 43% | 111 57% ^{Im} | 135 49% | 152 54% ^l | 86 48% |
| Don't know | 233 12% | 14 8% | 15 15% ^{aj} | 205 12% | 6 7% | 34 15% ^{aj} | 21 12% | 17 10% | 17 12% | 15 8% | 33 12% | 39 14% ^{aj} | 22 12% |
| Mean | -0.59 | -0.49 | -0.69 | -0.59 | -0.70 | -0.67 | -0.70 | -0.51 | -0.42 ^{fGl} | -0.63 | -0.56 | -0.66 | -0.47 |
| Standard deviation | 1.15 | 1.22 | 1.15 | 1.14 | 1.06 | 1.06 | 1.05 | 1.20 | 1.15 | 1.17 | 1.18 | 1.15 | 1.21 |
| Standard error | 0.03 | 0.09 | 0.12 | 0.03 | 0.12 | 0.08 | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.10 | 0.09 | 0.08 | 0.08 | 0.10 |

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The slaughterhouses and abattoirs themselves

Base: All respondents

| | Gender | | | Age | | | | | | | | | Social Grade | | | | Employment Sector | |
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| NET: More confident | 219 11% | 117 12% | 102 10% | 37 16%FgH | 55 16%FgH | 43 13%fH | 32 9%H | 30 10%H | 22 5% | 92 16%JK | 76 11%K | 52 7% | 59 11% | 47 8% | 61 15%M | 52 11% | 41 12% | 119 14% |
| Much more confident (+2) | 66 3% | 34 4% | 31 3% | 12 5%H | 14 4%h | 13 4%h | 10 3% | 8 3% | 9 2% | 26 5%K | 23 3% | 17 2% | 15 3% | 13 2% | 16 4% | 21 4% _m | 14 4% | 34 4% |
| Slightly more confident (+1) | 153 8% | 82 8% | 71 7% | 25 11% _{fH} | 40 12% _{FH} | 31 10% _H | 22 6% _H | 22 7% _H | 13 3% | 65 11% _{JK} | 53 8% _K | 35 5% | 44 8% | 34 6% | 45 11% _{MO} | 31 6% | 27 8% | 85 10% |
| It would make no difference (0) | 290 14% | 136 14% | 154 15% | 39 18% _{GH} | 74 21% _{FGH} | 53 16% _{GH} | 43 12% | 31 10% | 49 11% | 114 20% _{JK} | 96 14% _K | 80 11% | 88 16% | 74 13% | 62 15% | 66 14% | 58 17% | 129 16% |
| Slightly less confident (-1) | 435 22% | 201 20% | 234 23% | 44 20% | 53 15% | 51 16% | 84 24% _{DE} | 70 23% _{DE} | 132 28% _{CDE} | 97 17% | 136 20% | 202 26% _{LJ} | 113 20% | 125 22% | 97 24% | 100 20% | 69 20% | 152 18% |
| Much less confident (-2) | 865 43% | 446 45% _b | 419 41% | 63 28% | 109 31% | 138 43% _{CD} | 162 45% _{CD} | 154 52% _{CDE} | 239 51% _{CDE} | 172 30% | 300 44% _I | 393 51% _{LJ} | 245 44% _n | 260 46% _N | 152 37% | 208 42% | 125 37% | 336 41% |
| NET: Less confident | 1299 64% | 647 66% | 653 63% | 107 48% | 163 47% | 189 59% _{CD} | 246 69% _{CDE} | 224 75% _{CDE} | 371 80% _{CDEF} | 269 47% | 435 64% _I | 595 78% _{LJ} | 357 65% | 385 68% _{no} | 250 61% | 307 63% | 194 57% | 488 59% |
| Don't know | 207 10% | 84 8% | 123 12% _A | 41 18% _{EFGH} | 57 16% _{eFGH} | 36 11% _{GH} | 35 10% _{GH} | 14 5% | 24 5% | 98 17% _{JK} | 72 11% _K | 37 5% | 45 8% | 60 11% | 37 9% | 64 13% _{Ln} | 49 14% _q | 86 10% |
| Mean | -1.04 | -1.05 | -1.03 | -0.66EFGH | -0.70EFGH | -0.95fGH | -1.14H | -1.20 | -1.31 | -0.68JK | -1.05K | -1.26 | -1.04 | -1.16 | -0.87lMo | -1.04 | -0.91 | -0.91 |
| Standard deviation | 1.14 | 1.16 | 1.12 | 1.26 | 1.24 | 1.23 | 1.08 | 1.08 | 0.93 | 1.25 | 1.16 | 0.99 | 1.13 | 1.07 | 1.20 | 1.17 | 1.19 | 1.23 |
| Standard error | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.10 | 0.08 | 0.07 | 0.06 | 0.07 | 0.04 | 0.06 | 0.05 | 0.04 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.07 | 0.06 | 0.07 | 0.05 |

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| Much more confident | (+2) 66 3% | 7 4%l | 1 1% | 58 3% | 5 6%bjL | 8 3% | 8 5%bjL | 8 5%bjL | 4 3% | 3 1% | 10 4% | 4 1% | 10 6%bjL |
| Slightly more confident | (+1) 153 8% | 16 9% | 5 5% | 132 8% | 8 9% | 13 6% | 10 6% | 17 10% | 12 8% | 22 11%bf | 19 7% | 19 7% | 13 7% |
| It would make no difference | (0) 290 14% | 29 16% | 14 13% | 247 14% | 12 14% | 35 15% | 21 12% | 20 11% | 22 15% | 27 14% | 48 18%h | 37 13% | 27 15% |
| Slightly less confident | (-1) 435 22% | 41 23%i | 21 21% | 373 21% | 21 24%i | 53 23%l | 45 26%IK | 36 20% | 21 14% | 38 19% | 46 17% | 70 25%IK | 45 25%Ik |
| Much less confident | (-2) 865 43% | 67 38% | 46 46% m | 751 43% | 32 38% | 94 40% | 68 40% | 81 45% m | 72 49% aM | 94 48% aM | 123 45% m | 124 44% m | 63 35% |
| NET: Less confident | 1299 64% | 108 62% | 67 67% | 1124 65% | 53 63% | 147 63% | 113 67% | 117 65% | 93 63% | 131 68% | 169 62% | 195 69% m | 107 60% |
| Don't know | 207 10% | 15 9% | 15 15% J | 177 10% | 8 9% | 29 13% J | 18 11% | 16 9% | 17 11% j | 11 6% | 27 10% | 29 10% | 23 13% J |
| Mean | -1.04 | -0.91 BL | -1.25 | -1.04 | -0.89 Bl | -1.05 | -1.02 | -1.01 | -1.12 | -1.09 | -1.03 | -1.16 | -0.87 BL |
| Standard deviation | 1.14 | 1.18 | 0.96 | 1.15 | 1.24 | 1.11 | 1.15 | 1.23 | 1.16 | 1.12 | 1.17 | 1.02 | 1.21 |
| Standard error | 0.03 | 0.09 | 0.10 | 0.03 | 0.14 | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.09 | 0.10 | 0.08 | 0.08 | 0.07 | 0.10 |

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Base: All respondents

| | Gender | | Age | | | | | | | | | Social Grade | | | | Employment Sector | | |
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| It should be compulsory for meat safety and quality in slaughterhouses to be assessed by independent government inspectors | 1716 85% | 843 86% | 874 85% | 170 76% | 273 78% | 277 86%CD | 309 87%CD | 264 89%CD | 423 91%CDef | 443 77% | 587 86%I | 687 90%Ij | 472 86%O | 494 87%O | 360 88%O | 389 79% | 297 87% | 679 83% |
| It should not be compulsory for meat safety and quality in slaughterhouses to be assessed by independent government inspectors | 111 6% | 64 7%b | 47 5% | 19 9%H | 24 7%H | 22 7%H | 18 5% | 15 5% | 13 3% | 43 7%K | 40 6%k | 29 4% | 38 7%m | 24 4% | 16 4% | 34 7%m | 17 5% | 63 8% |
| Don't know | 187 9% | 76 8% | 111 11%A | 35 15%EFGH | 52 15%EFGH | 23 7% | 29 8% | 18 6% | 30 6% | 87 15%JK | 52 8% | 48 6% | 40 7% | 48 8% | 32 8% | 67 14%LMN | 27 8% | 79 10% |

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| Unweighted base | 2015 | 185 | 110 | 1720 | 85 | 224 | 175 | 192 | 165 | 188 | 251 | 258 | 182 |
| Weighted base | 2015 | 175 | 101* | 1739 | 85* | 232 | 169 | 179 | 147 | 193 | 272 | 282 | 179 |
| It should be compulsory for meat safety and quality in slaughterhouses to be assessed by independent government inspectors | 1716 85% | 145 82% | 85 84% | 1487 86% | 76 90%f | 186 80% | 149 88%f | 151 84% | 121 82% | 174 90%aFIM | 230 85% | 252 89%aFIM | 147 82% |
| It should not be compulsory for meat safety and quality in slaughterhouses to be assessed by independent government inspectors | 111 6% | 12 7%El | 6 6%e | 93 5% | 1 1% | 18 8%EL | 10 6%e | 7 4% | 11 7%EL | 9 5% | 18 7%EL | 8 3% | 11 6%e |
| Don't know | 187 9% | 18 10%j | 10 10% | 159 9% | 8 9% | 27 12%gJ | 11 6% | 22 12%gJ | 15 10% | 10 5% | 24 9% | 21 8% | 21 12%J |

Proportions/Means: Columns Tested (5%, 10% risk level) - a/d - b/d - c/d - a/b/c/e/f/g/h/i/j/k/l/m

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Table 10
Q.4 Currently, the food safety monitoring of restaurants and takeaways is conducted by local councils. How confident would you be in the standards of meat served in restaurants and takeaways, if these outlets were instead inspected by private companies?
Base: All respondents

| | Total | Gender | | Age | | | | | | | | | Social Grade | | | | Employment Sector | |
|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|-----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| | | Male (a) | Female (b) | 18-24 (c) | 25-34 (d) | 35-44 (e) | 45-54 (f) | 55-64 (g) | 65+ (h) | 18-34 (i) | 35-54 (j) | 55+ (k) | AB (l) | C1 (m) | C2 (n) | DE (o) | Public (p) | Private (q) |
| Unweighted base | 2015 | 984 | 1031 | 199 | 306 | 339 | 395 | 284 | 492 | 505 | 734 | 776 | 591 | 596 | 303 | 525 | 327 | 806 |
| Weighted base | 2015 | 983 | 1032 | 224 | 348 | 322 | 356 | 298 | 466 | 572 | 679 | 764 | 550 | 566 | 409 | 490 | 342 | 821 |
| NET: More confident | 339 17% | 151 15% | 188 18% | 71 32% ^{EF} GH | 95 27% ^{EF} GH | 60 19% ^{GH} | 52 15% ^g H | 29 10% | 32 7% | 166 29% ^{JK} | 112 17% ^K | 61 8% | 93 17% | 83 15% | 82 20% ^m | 81 16% | 71 21% | 179 22% |
| Much more confident (+2) | 99 5% | 40 4% | 59 6% | 17 8% ^{GH} | 35 10% ^{EF} GH | 15 5% ^h | 15 4% | 7 2% | 10 2% | 52 9% ^{JK} | 30 4% ^K | 17 2% | 31 6% ^m | 18 3% | 30 7% ^M | 21 4% | 22 6% | 53 6% |
| Slightly more confident (+1) | 239 12% | 111 11% | 129 12% | 54 24% ^d ^{EF} GH | 60 17% ^{FG} H | 45 14% ^{GH} | 37 10% ^H | 21 7% | 22 5% | 114 20% ^{JK} | 82 12% ^K | 43 6% | 63 11% | 65 12% | 52 13% | 59 12% | 49 14% | 125 15% |
| It would make no difference (0) | 431 21% | 200 20% | 232 22% | 38 17% | 104 30% ^{CF} GH | 84 26% ^{CF} GH | 69 19% | 48 16% | 87 19% | 142 25% ^K | 154 23% ^K | 135 18% | 113 21% | 115 20% | 81 20% | 122 25% ^m | 66 19% | 185 23% |
| Slightly less confident (-1) | 531 26% | 269 27% | 262 25% | 52 23% ^d | 56 16% | 76 24% ^D | 107 30% ^{De} | 87 29% ^D | 153 33% ^{CDE} | 108 19% | 183 27% ^I | 240 31% ^J | 133 24% | 162 29% ^o | 120 29% | 116 24% | 90 26% | 194 24% |
| Much less confident (-2) | 528 26% | 300 30% ^B | 228 22% | 22 10% | 47 14% | 76 24% ^{CD} | 101 28% ^{CD} | 112 38% ^{CDEF} | 168 36% ^{CDEF} | 69 12% | 178 26% ^I | 281 37% ^{IJ} | 174 32% ^{NO} | 156 27% ^O | 95 23% | 103 21% | 81 24% | 192 23% |
| NET: Less confident | 1059 53% | 569 58% ^B | 490 47% | 74 33% | 103 30% | 153 47% ^{CD} | 208 58% ^{CDE} | 200 67% ^{CDEF} | 321 69% ^{CDEF} | 177 31% | 361 53% ^I | 520 68% ^{IJ} | 307 56% ^O | 318 56% ^O | 215 52% ^o | 220 45% | 172 50% | 386 47% |
| Don't know | 186 9% | 63 6% | 123 12% ^A | 41 18% ^{EF} GH | 46 13% ^{EF} GH | 25 8% | 27 8% | 22 7% | 27 6% | 86 15% ^{JK} | 51 8% | 48 6% | 37 7% | 51 9% | 31 8% | 67 14% ^{LMN} | 33 10% | 71 9% |
| Mean | -0.63 | -0.74 | -0.52 ^A | -0.05 ^{EF} GH | -0.07 ^{EF} GH | -0.52 ^{FG} H | -0.74 ^{GH} | -1.00 | -1.02 | -0.06 ^{JK} | -0.63 ^K | -1.01 | -0.70 | -0.72 | -0.52 ^{LM} | -0.52 ^{LM} | -0.52 | -0.46 |
| Standard deviation | 1.18 | 1.16 | 1.19 | 1.20 | 1.21 | 1.17 | 1.14 | 1.06 | 1.00 | 1.21 | 1.16 | 1.02 | 1.22 | 1.13 | 1.23 | 1.15 | 1.24 | 1.23 |
| Standard error | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.09 | 0.07 | 0.07 | 0.06 | 0.07 | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.07 | 0.05 | 0.07 | 0.05 |

Proportions/Mean: Columns Tested (5%, 10% risk level) - a/b - c/d/e/f/g/h - i/j/k - l/m/n/o - p/q

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Table 11
Q.4 Currently, the food safety monitoring of restaurants and takeaways is conducted by local councils. How confident would you be in the standards of meat served in restaurants and takeaways, if these outlets were instead inspected by private companies?
Base: All respondents

| | Total | Region | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|
| | | Scotland (a) | Wales (b) | NET: England (d) | North East (e) | North West (f) | Yorkshire & Humberside (g) | West Midlands (h) | East Midlands (i) | Eastern (j) | London (k) | South East (l) | South West (m) |
| Unweighted base | 2015 | 185 | 110 | 1720 | 85 | 224 | 175 | 192 | 165 | 188 | 251 | 258 | 182 |
| Weighted base | 2015 | 175 | 101* | 1739 | 85* | 232 | 169 | 179 | 147 | 193 | 272 | 282 | 179 |
| NET: More confident | 339 17% | 32 18%e | 12 12% | 295 17% | 7 8% | 41 18%e | 28 16%e | 43 24%BEIJL | 21 14% | 24 12% | 58 21%bEJL | 40 14% | 33 19%E |
| Much more confident | (+2) 99 5% | 9 5%J | 6 6%J | 84 5% | 1 1% | 11 5%j | 5 3% | 15 8%EGJl | 8 5%J | 2 1% | 18 7%eJ | 12 4%j | 13 7%egJ |
| Slightly more confident | (+1) 239 12% | 22 13% | 7 7% | 211 12% | 6 7% | 30 13% | 23 14%b | 28 16%Beil | 13 9% | 22 11% | 41 15%Be | 28 10% | 20 11% |
| It would make no difference | (0) 431 21% | 38 22% | 28 27%JL | 365 21% | 22 26%jl | 59 25%JL | 35 21% | 38 21% | 31 21% | 32 17% | 58 21% | 48 17% | 42 24% |
| Slightly less confident | (-1) 531 26% | 44 25% | 24 23% | 463 27% | 25 29% | 61 26% | 43 25% | 42 23% | 40 27% | 69 36%ABfGHKlm | 58 21% | 81 29%k | 45 25% |
| Much less confident | (-2) 528 26% | 51 29%F | 27 27% | 449 26% | 22 26% | 46 20% | 43 26% | 43 24% | 40 27% | 52 27% | 72 27% | 88 31%F | 43 24% |
| NET: Less confident | 1059 53% | 95 54% | 51 50% | 913 52% | 47 55% | 106 46% | 86 51% | 84 47% | 80 55% | 121 63%bFGHKM | 131 48% | 169 60%FgHKm | 89 49% |
| Don't know | 186 9% | 10 6% | 10 10% | 166 10% | 9 11% | 25 11%a | 20 12%a | 14 8% | 15 10% | 17 9% | 25 9% | 26 9% | 15 8% |
| Mean | -0.63 | -0.64 | -0.66 | -0.62 | -0.80 | -0.49eJL | -0.65 | -0.42EiJL | -0.69 | -0.83 | -0.5lJL | -0.80 | -0.52JL |
| Standard deviation | 1.18 | 1.21 | 1.17 | 1.18 | 0.99 | 1.14 | 1.15 | 1.29 | 1.18 | 1.03 | 1.27 | 1.16 | 1.23 |
| Standard error | 0.03 | 0.09 | 0.12 | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.08 | 0.08 | 0.08 | 0.09 |

Proportions/Means: Columns Tested (5%, 10% risk level) - a/d - b/d - c/d - a/b/c/e/f/g/h/i/j/k/l/m
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Table 12

Q.5 Checks on the quality standards of meat are currently EU-regulated, but the UK could introduce its own laws after it leaves the EU on 31st January 2020.

Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Base: All respondents

| | Gender | | Age | | | | | | | | | Social Grade | | | | Employment Sector | | |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------|------------|-------------|
| | Total | Male (a) | Female (b) | 18-24 (c) | 25-34 (d) | 35-44 (e) | 45-54 (f) | 55-64 (g) | 65+ (h) | 18-34 (i) | 35-54 (j) | 55+ (k) | AB (l) | C1 (m) | C2 (n) | DE (o) | Public (p) | Private (q) |
| Unweighted base | 2015 | 984 | 1031 | 199 | 306 | 339 | 395 | 284 | 492 | 505 | 734 | 776 | 591 | 596 | 303 | 525 | 327 | 806 |
| Weighted base | 2015 | 983 | 1032 | 224 | 348 | 322 | 356 | 298 | 466 | 572 | 679 | 764 | 550 | 566 | 409 | 490 | 342 | 821 |
| The UK shouldn't create new laws governing meat inspections after we leave the EU, and should maintain our current laws | 676 34% | 384 39%B | 291 28% | 55 24% | 92 26% | 119 37%CD | 114 32%c | 109 37%CD | 186 40%CDF | 147 26% | 233 34%I | 295 39%I | 207 38%nO | 207 36%O | 126 31% | 136 28% | 106 31% | 284 35% |
| The UK should create new stricter laws governing meat inspections after we leave the EU | 1051 52% | 473 48% | 578 56%A | 111 50% | 180 52% | 148 46% | 199 56%E | 162 54%e | 251 54%E | 291 51% | 347 51% | 413 54% | 259 47% | 292 52% | 234 57%L | 265 54%L | 180 53% | 415 51% |
| The UK should create new more relaxed laws governing meat inspections after we leave the EU | 63 3% | 33 3% | 31 3% | 19 8%eFGH | 17 5%FGH | 12 4%fgH | 6 2% | 4 1% | 5 1% | 36 6%JK | 18 3%k | 9 1% | 25 4%mO | 14 3% | 15 4% | 10 2% | 12 4% | 33 4% |
| Don't know | 225 11% | 93 10% | 132 13%A | 40 18%FGH | 59 17%FGH | 43 13%GH | 38 11%H | 23 8% | 23 5% | 99 17%JK | 81 12%K | 46 6% | 60 11% | 53 9% | 34 8% | 79 16%LMN | 44 13% | 90 11% |

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Table 13

Q.5 Checks on the quality standards of meat are currently EU-regulated, but the UK could introduce its own laws after it leaves the EU on 31st January 2020.

Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Base: All respondents

| | Total | Region | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|-------------|-----------------|-----------|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|
| | | Scotland (a) | Wales (b) | NET: England (d) | North East (e) | North West (f) | Yorkshire & Humberside (g) | West Midlands (h) | East Midlands (i) | Eastern (j) | London (k) | South East (l) | South West (m) |
| Unweighted base | 2015 | 185 | 110 | 1720 | 85 | 224 | 175 | 192 | 165 | 188 | 251 | 258 | 182 |
| Weighted base | 2015 | 175 | 101* | 1739 | 85* | 232 | 169 | 179 | 147 | 193 | 272 | 282 | 179 |
| The UK shouldn't create new laws governing meat inspections after we leave the EU, and should maintain our current laws | 676 34% | 72 41%DbfHkm | 30 30% | 573 33% | 31 36% | 75 32% | 58 34% | 52 29% | 48 33% | 70 36% | 86 32% | 99 35% | 56 31% |
| The UK should create new stricter laws governing meat inspections after we leave the EU | 1051 52% | 76 43% | 51 51% | 924 53%A | 45 53% | 122 52%a | 93 55%A | 99 55%A | 72 49% | 106 55%A | 148 54%A | 144 51% | 95 53%a |
| The UK should create new more relaxed laws governing meat inspections after we leave the EU | 63 3% | 7 4%eJ | 5 5%eJ | 51 3% | - | 11 5%eJ | 5 3%j | 7 4%eJ | 6 4%eJ | 1 1% | 10 4%j | 7 2% | 5 3% |
| Don't know | 225 11% | 20 11% | 15 15% | 191 11% | 9 10% | 25 11% | 13 8% | 21 12% | 20 14% | 17 9% | 29 11% | 33 12% | 24 13% |

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Table 14
Q.6 As the UK leaves the EU, how would you feel about the standards of chicken, turkey, duck and goose meat for sale in the UK, if quality checks became the sole responsibility of the poultry industry, rather than of independent inspectors employed by the government, as at present?
Base: All respondents

| | Total | Gender | | Age | | | | | | | | | Social Grade | | | | Employment Sector | |
|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| | | Male (a) | Female (b) | 18-24 (c) | 25-34 (d) | 35-44 (e) | 45-54 (f) | 55-64 (g) | 65+ (h) | 18-34 (i) | 35-54 (j) | 55+ (k) | AB (l) | C1 (m) | C2 (n) | DE (o) | Public (p) | Private (q) |
| Unweighted base | 2015 | 984 | 1031 | 199 | 306 | 339 | 395 | 284 | 492 | 505 | 734 | 776 | 591 | 596 | 303 | 525 | 327 | 806 |
| Weighted base | 2015 | 983 | 1032 | 224 | 348 | 322 | 356 | 298 | 466 | 572 | 679 | 764 | 550 | 566 | 409 | 490 | 342 | 821 |
| NET: More confident | 214 11% | 106 11% | 108 10% | 47 21% ^{EFGH} | 67 19% ^{EFGH} | 38 12% ^{fgH} | 25 7% ^H | 21 7% ^H | 16 3% | 114 20% ^{JK} | 63 9% ^K | 37 5% | 64 12% ^M | 40 7% | 56 14% ^M | 55 11% ^M | 53 15% | 112 14% |
| Much more confident (+2) | 58 3% | 23 2% | 35 3% | 13 6% ^{FGH} | 19 5% ^{FGH} | 10 3% ^H | 8 2% ^h | 4 1% | 4 1% | 32 6% ^{JK} | 18 3% ^K | 8 1% | 21 4% ^M | 5 1% | 12 3% ^M | 20 4% ^M | 13 4% | 29 4% |
| Slightly more confident (+1) | 157 8% | 83 8% | 74 7% | 33 15% ^{EFGH} | 48 14% ^{eFGH} | 28 9% ^{fH} | 17 5% | 17 6% ^H | 12 3% | 81 14% ^{JK} | 45 7% ^K | 30 4% | 42 8% | 35 6% | 44 11% ^{Mo} | 35 7% | 40 12% | 82 10% |
| It would make no difference (0) | 252 12% | 132 13% | 119 12% | 32 14% ^H | 57 16% ^{FgH} | 55 17% ^{FGH} | 38 11% | 32 11% | 39 8% | 88 15% ^K | 92 14% ^K | 71 9% | 68 12% | 68 12% | 57 14% | 59 12% | 49 14% | 115 14% |
| Slightly less confident (-1) | 502 25% | 255 26% | 247 24% | 51 23% | 71 20% | 88 27% ^d | 88 25% | 64 22% | 141 30% ^{cDfG} | 122 21% | 175 26% ⁱ | 205 27% ^l | 145 26% | 133 23% | 114 28% | 110 22% | 86 25% | 200 24% |
| Much less confident (-2) | 844 42% | 422 43% | 422 41% | 56 25% | 92 26% | 113 35% ^{CD} | 173 49% ^{CDE} | 161 54% ^{CDE} | 249 53% ^{CDE} | 148 26% | 287 42% ^I | 409 54% ^{LJ} | 235 43% ⁿ | 276 49% ^{lNO} | 145 36% | 187 38% | 121 35% | 314 38% |
| NET: Less confident | 1346 67% | 677 69% ^b | 668 65% | 106 48% | 163 47% | 201 62% ^{CD} | 261 73% ^{CDE} | 225 76% ^{CDE} | 389 84% ^{CDEFG} | 269 47% | 462 68% ^I | 614 80% ^{LJ} | 381 69% ^O | 409 72% ^{NO} | 259 63% | 297 61% | 207 61% | 514 63% |
| Don't know | 203 10% | 67 7% | 136 13% ^A | 39 17% ^{EFGH} | 62 18% ^{EFGH} | 28 9% ^H | 32 9% ^H | 19 7% | 22 5% | 101 18% ^{JK} | 61 9% ^K | 41 5% | 38 7% | 49 9% | 37 9% | 79 16% ^{LMN} | 33 10% | 80 10% |
| Mean | -1.06 | -1.06 | -1.06 | -0.55 ^{EFGH} | -0.59 ^{EFGH} | -0.91 ^{FGH} | -1.24 ^H | -1.30 | -1.39 | -0.58 ^{JK} | -1.08 ^K | -1.35 | -1.04 ^M | -1.24 | -0.90 ^M | -1.00 ^M | -0.85 | -0.93 |
| Standard deviation | 1.11 | 1.09 | 1.13 | 1.28 | 1.27 | 1.12 | 1.02 | 0.99 | 0.83 | 1.28 | 1.08 | 0.89 | 1.14 | 0.98 | 1.14 | 1.17 | 1.19 | 1.17 |
| Standard error | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.10 | 0.08 | 0.06 | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.04 | 0.06 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 0.05 | 0.04 | 0.07 | 0.06 | 0.07 | 0.04 |

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Table 15
Q.6 As the UK leaves the EU, how would you feel about the standards of chicken, turkey, duck and goose meat for sale in the UK, if quality checks became the sole responsibility of the poultry industry, rather than of independent inspectors employed by the government, as at present?
Base: All respondents

| | Total | Region | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|
| | | Scotland (a) | Wales (b) | NET: England (d) | North East (e) | North West (f) | Yorkshire & Humberside (g) | West Midlands (h) | East Midlands (i) | Eastern (j) | London (k) | South East (l) | South West (m) |
| Unweighted base | 2015 | 185 | 110 | 1720 | 85 | 224 | 175 | 192 | 165 | 188 | 251 | 258 | 182 |
| Weighted base | 2015 | 175 | 101* | 1739 | 85* | 232 | 169 | 179 | 147 | 193 | 272 | 282 | 179 |
| NET: More confident | 214 11% | 18 11% | 10 10% | 186 11% | 5 6% | 31 13%e | 14 8% | 19 11% | 13 9% | 17 9% | 36 13%e | 34 12% | 17 10% |
| Much more confident | (+2) 58 3% | 6 3% | 3 3% | 49 3% | - - | 4 2% | 4 3% | 7 4%e | 3 2% | 3 2% | 14 5%efj | 8 3% | 5 3% |
| Slightly more confident | (+1) 157 8% | 12 7% | 7 7% | 138 8% | 5 6% | 27 12%g | 9 6% | 12 7% | 10 6% | 14 7% | 22 8% | 26 9% | 12 7% |
| It would make no difference | (0) 252 12% | 24 14% | 15 14% | 213 12% | 12 15% | 20 9% | 22 13% | 26 14%f | 22 15%f | 23 12% | 34 12% | 30 11% | 24 13% |
| Slightly less confident | (-1) 502 25% | 38 22% | 22 22% | 441 25% | 27 32%kl | 54 23% | 47 28%k | 48 27% | 41 28%k | 63 33%AbfKL | 54 20% | 60 21% | 47 26% |
| Much less confident | (-2) 844 42% | 83 47%i | 45 45% | 716 41% | 33 39% | 92 40% | 70 41% | 69 39% | 54 37% | 78 40% | 120 44% | 124 44% | 76 43% |
| NET: Less confident | 1346 67% | 121 69% | 67 67% | 1157 67% | 60 71% | 146 63% | 117 69% | 118 66% | 96 65% | 141 73%fk | 174 64% | 183 65% | 123 69% |
| Don't know | 203 10% | 12 7% | 9 9% | 182 10% | 7 9% | 35 15%AJm | 16 10% | 17 9% | 16 11% | 13 7% | 28 10% | 36 13%aj | 15 8% |
| Mean | -1.06 | -1.10 | -1.09 | -1.05 | -1.13 | -1.03 | -1.10 | -0.99 | -1.02 | -1.10 | -1.00 | -1.08 | -1.08 |
| Standard deviation | 1.11 | 1.13 | 1.12 | 1.11 | 0.92 | 1.14 | 1.05 | 1.14 | 1.05 | 1.01 | 1.23 | 1.15 | 1.09 |
| Standard error | 0.03 | 0.09 | 0.11 | 0.03 | 0.10 | 0.08 | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.09 | 0.08 | 0.08 | 0.08 | 0.08 |

Proportions/Means: Columns Tested (5%, 10% risk level) - a/d - b/d - c/d - a/b/c/e/f/g/h/i/j/k/l/m
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Table 16

Q.7 As the UK leaves the EU, to what extent, if at all, would you be concerned if the UK government relaxed laws on meat quality standards, in order to secure trade deals with the USA and the rest of the world?

Base: All respondents

| | Gender | | | Age | | | | | | | | | Social Grade | | | | Employment Sector | |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|
| | Total | Male (a) | Female (b) | 18-24 (c) | 25-34 (d) | 35-44 (e) | 45-54 (f) | 55-64 (g) | 65+ (h) | 18-34 (i) | 35-54 (j) | 55+ (k) | AB (l) | C1 (m) | C2 (n) | DE (o) | Public (p) | Private (q) |
| Unweighted base | 2015 | 984 | 1031 | 199 | 306 | 339 | 395 | 284 | 492 | 505 | 734 | 776 | 591 | 596 | 303 | 525 | 327 | 806 |
| Weighted base | 2015 | 983 | 1032 | 224 | 348 | 322 | 356 | 298 | 466 | 572 | 679 | 764 | 550 | 566 | 409 | 490 | 342 | 821 |
| NET: Concerned | 1632 81% | 779 79% | 853 83%a | 161 72% | 250 72% | 247 77% | 304 85%CDE | 260 87%CDE | 411 88%CDE | 411 72% | 551 81%I | 671 88%LJ | 448 82%O | 473 84%O | 338 83%O | 373 76% | 277 81% | 650 79% |
| Extremely concerned | (4) 47% | 439 45% | 502 49% | 70 31% | 114 33% | 120 37% | 209 59%CDE | 165 55%CDE | 263 57%CDE | 184 32% | 329 48%I | 428 56%LJ | 263 48% | 260 46% | 193 47% | 226 46% | 156 46% | 338 41% |
| Quite concerned | (3) 34% | 691 35% | 351 34% | 91 41%FGH | 135 39%Fh | 127 39%FGH | 95 27% | 95 32% | 147 32% | 227 40%JK | 222 33% | 243 32% | 186 34% | 214 38%O | 144 35% | 148 30% | 121 36% | 311 38% |
| Not very concerned | (2) 10% | 129 13%B | 70 7% | 25 11%f | 45 13%Fh | 40 12%Fh | 22 6% | 26 9% | 39 8% | 71 12%K | 63 9% | 65 9% | 67 12%mn | 49 9% | 30 7% | 53 11% | 24 7% | 96 12%P |
| Not at all concerned | (1) 2% | 43 3% | 17 2% | 6 3%H | 11 3%GH | 11 3%GH | 9 3%H | 2 1% | 3 1% | 17 3%K | 21 3%K | 5 1% | 9 2% | 10 2% | 12 3% | 11 2% | 13 4% | 17 2% |
| NET: Not concerned | 242 12% | 156 16%B | 86 8% | 32 14%fh | 56 16%FGH | 51 16%FGH | 32 9% | 28 9% | 42 9% | 88 15%K | 83 12%k | 71 9% | 77 14%mn | 59 10% | 42 10% | 65 13% | 37 11% | 112 14% |
| Don't know | 141 7% | 48 5% | 93 9%A | 31 14%EFGH | 43 12%eFGH | 24 7%GH | 21 6%H | 10 3% | 13 3% | 74 13%JK | 45 7%K | 23 3% | 25 5% | 34 6% | 29 7% | 52 11%LM | 28 8% | 59 7% |
| Mean | 3.35 | 3.28 | 3.42A | 3.16 | 3.16 | 3.19 | 3.50CDE | 3.46CDE | 3.48CDE | 3.16 | 3.36I | 3.47LJ | 3.34 | 3.36 | 3.37 | 3.34 | 3.34 | 3.27 |
| Standard deviation | 0.76 | 0.80 | 0.71 | 0.78 | 0.80 | 0.81 | 0.74 | 0.69 | 0.68 | 0.79 | 0.79 | 0.68 | 0.77 | 0.73 | 0.76 | 0.79 | 0.79 | 0.76 |
| Standard error | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.06 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.05 | 0.04 | 0.05 | 0.03 |

Proportions/Means: Columns Tested (5%, 10% risk level) - a/b - c/d/e/f/g/h - i/j/k - l/m/n/o - p/q

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Table 17
Q.7 As the UK leaves the EU, to what extent, if at all, would you be concerned if the UK government relaxed laws on meat quality standards, in order to secure trade deals with the USA and the rest of the world?
Base: All respondents

| | Total | Region | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------|-------------------|--------------|-----------|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|
| | | Scotland (a) | Wales (b) | NET: England (d) | North East (e) | North West (f) | Yorkshire & Humberside (g) | West Midlands (h) | East Midlands (i) | Eastern (j) | London (k) | South East (l) | South West (m) |
| Unweighted base | 2015 | 185 | 110 | 1720 | 85 | 224 | 175 | 192 | 165 | 188 | 251 | 258 | 182 |
| Weighted base | 2015 | 175 | 101* | 1739 | 85* | 232 | 169 | 179 | 147 | 193 | 272 | 282 | 179 |
| NET: Concerned | 1632 81% | 149 85%fh | 81 80% | 1402 81% | 66 78% | 178 77% | 139 82% | 139 77% | 126 85%fh | 161 83% | 219 81% | 235 83% | 140 78% |
| Extremely concerned | (4) 941 47% | 89 51%f | 51 50% | 802 46% | 37 43% | 94 41% | 80 47% | 76 43% | 65 44% | 83 43% | 139 51%F | 142 50%f | 86 48% |
| Quite concerned | (3) 691 34% | 60 34% | 30 30% | 601 35% | 30 35% | 84 36% | 59 35% | 63 35% | 60 41%bKm | 78 40%Km | 81 30% | 93 33% | 54 30% |
| Not very concerned | (2) 199 10% | 10 6% | 11 11% | 178 10%a | 13 15%AIL | 28 12%Ail | 20 12%ai | 21 12%Ai | 9 6% | 22 11%a | 27 10% | 20 7% | 19 10% |
| Not at all concerned | (1) 43 2% | 8 4%DiJl | 2 2% | 33 2% | 1 1% | 5 2% | 2 1% | 6 3%j | 1 1% | 1 * | 6 2% | 4 2% | 7 4%J |
| NET: Not concerned | 242 12% | 18 10% | 13 12% | 212 12% | 13 16%il | 33 14%Il | 22 13%i | 27 15%IL | 10 7% | 23 12% | 33 12% | 24 9% | 26 14%Il |
| Don't know | 141 7% | 9 5% | 7 7% | 125 7% | 5 6% | 21 9% | 8 5% | 13 7% | 11 8% | 10 5% | 20 7% | 23 8% | 13 8% |
| Mean | 3.35 | 3.38 | 3.39 | 3.34 | 3.29 | 3.27 | 3.34 | 3.26 | 3.39 | 3.32 | 3.39 | 3.44FH | 3.32 |
| Standard deviation | 0.76 | 0.80 | 0.77 | 0.76 | 0.76 | 0.78 | 0.75 | 0.82 | 0.66 | 0.70 | 0.77 | 0.71 | 0.84 |
| Standard error | 0.02 | 0.06 | 0.08 | 0.02 | 0.08 | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.06 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.06 |

Proportions/Means: Columns Tested (5%, 10% risk level) - a/d - b/d - c/d - a/b/c/e/f/g/h/i/j/k/l/m
* small base; ** very small base (under 30) ineligible for sig testing