

YouGov Survey Results

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Generally speaking, how much confidence do you have in...?

The police in [COUNTRY]

A lot of confidence	4	16	16	22	17	16
A fair amount of confidence	39	45	46	52	40	48
TOTAL A LOT / A FAIR AMOUNT OF CONFIDENCE	43	61	62	74	57	64
Not very much confidence	38	22	27	20	25	26
No confidence at all	15	14	7	4	14	7
TOTAL NOT VERY MUCH / NO CONFIDENCE	53	36	34	24	39	33
Don't know	4	4	4	2	3	4

The police in your local area

A lot of confidence	6	18	19	22	15	13
A fair amount of confidence	40	49	44	49	43	47
TOTAL A LOT / A FAIR AMOUNT OF CONFIDENCE	46	67	63	71	58	60
Not very much confidence	35	18	24	18	27	26
No confidence at all	14	9	6	4	11	8
TOTAL NOT VERY MUCH / NO CONFIDENCE	49	27	30	22	38	34
Don't know	6	6	6	7	4	6

For each of the following, would you say they have gone up or down over the last few years in [COUNTRY], or has it stayed the same?

The level of violent crime

Gone up a lot	28	54	35	20	37	47
Gone up a bit	31	23	31	32	29	29
TOTAL GONE UP	59	77	66	52	66	76
Stayed about the same	22	13	20	36	22	15
Gone down a bit	8	3	6	6	5	3
Gone down a lot	1	1	1	0	1	1
TOTAL GONE DOWN	9	4	7	6	6	4
Don't know	9	6	7	6	5	6

The level of crime in general

Gone up a lot	36	54	36	21	43	53
Gone up a bit	30	24	28	32	24	27
TOTAL GONE UP	66	78	64	53	67	80
Stayed about the same	20	13	20	35	22	12
Gone down a bit	5	4	7	5	5	2
Gone down a lot	1	1	1	1	1	0
TOTAL GONE DOWN	6	5	8	6	6	2
Don't know	8	5	7	6	4	4

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And now thinking about YOUR LOCAL AREA, would you say each of the following have gone up or down over the last few years, or has it stayed the same?

The level of violent crime

Gone up a lot	15	27	22	9	25	23
Gone up a bit	27	24	27	23	26	28
TOTAL GONE UP	42	51	49	32	51	51
Stayed about the same	36	34	33	48	36	34
Gone down a bit	6	4	5	6	6	5
Gone down a lot	1	2	1	1	2	2
TOTAL GONE DOWN	7	6	6	7	8	7
Don't know	15	9	12	14	6	8

The level of crime in general

Gone up a lot	23	29	23	9	27	30
Gone up a bit	30	26	29	24	29	31
TOTAL GONE UP	53	55	52	33	56	61
Stayed about the same	29	30	31	47	31	25
Gone down a bit	5	5	6	5	6	4
Gone down a lot	1	2	1	1	2	2
TOTAL GONE DOWN	6	7	7	6	8	6
Don't know	12	8	11	14	5	7

Do you think level of crime in general in [COUNTRY] is higher or lower than other Western countries, or do you think it is about the same?

Much higher here	9	18	9	2	13	14
Somewhat higher here	29	26	18	9	25	23
TOTAL HIGHER HERE	38	44	27	11	38	37
About the same	37	34	45	43	39	46
Somewhat lower here	8	6	15	32	12	6
Much lower here	1	1	1	5	3	1
TOTAL LOWER HERE	9	7	16	37	15	7
Don't know	17	15	11	9	8	10

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When comparing [COUNTRY] to other Western countries, which crime issues, if any, do you think are particularly common in [COUNTRY] compared to other Western countries? Please select all that you think apply

Organised crime (e.g. mafia-type groups, large criminal networks)	22	30	32	16	24	41
Corruption	21	30	17	7	56	46
Theft-based crimes	40	47	33	29	42	30
Street gangs and youth gang violence	48	47	23	25	37	46
Drug trafficking and distribution	39	61	23	36	47	41
Drug use	47	55	29	29	40	31
Financial/economic crimes (e.g. financial fraud, money laundering, tax evasion)	29	33	33	43	36	33
Assault and violent crime	33	48	40	21	39	36
Gun crime	9	30	17	10	13	15
Knife crime	60	41	41	24	30	28
Murder	14	29	15	6	17	27
Sex crime	31	48	39	18	43	36
Discrimination-based crimes (e.g. crimes against racial/sexual minorities)	28	29	22	14	24	17
Rioting / public disorder	18	42	13	7	21	13
Driving-related offences	30	40	24	28	20	20
Antisocial behaviour	56	34	31	13	21	14
Cyber crime (e.g. online scams, hacking, identity theft)	30	46	31	34	27	20
Something else	1	2	1	0	2	4
Don't know	10	5	8	12	6	11
N/A - I don't think any of these crimes are particularly common in [COUNTRY] compared to other Western countries	8	5	9	11	5	4

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When you look at other countries in Western Europe, are there any countries you think have a particular problem with crime in general? Please select all that apply

N/A - I don't think any have a particular problem with crime	31	21	31	13	20	17
Don't know	45	41	32	33	43	54
Austria	1	3	4	2	1	2
Belgium	4	18	7	7	6	4
Denmark	1	2	1	x	2	2
Finland	1	2	1	1	1	2
France	17	x	23	21	24	19
Germany	10	13	x	15	6	7
Iceland	0	2	1	1	1	1
Ireland	6	4	2	5	2	2
Italy	9	15	13	14	9	x
Luxembourg	0	2	1	1	1	2
Netherlands	3	9	11	9	5	3
Norway	1	2	1	3	1	1
Portugal	3	5	3	3	3	3
Spain	7	12	7	8	x	9
Sweden	7	5	7	38	6	4
Switzerland	1	2	1	2	1	2
United Kingdom	x	22	15	24	15	12