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To what extent would you support or oppose a national independent inquiry into the sexual abuse and rape of children by grooming gangs?

Strongly support	72	79	69	65	86	56	67	81	72	73	64	67	74	83	70	76	71	82	79	74	68	64	73	73	65
Somewhat support	18	14	22	26	10	26	24	12	19	17	22	20	19	12	20	15	19	12	15	18	20	24	17	18	20
TOTAL SUPPORT	90	93	91	91	96	82	91	93	91	90	86	87	93	95	90	91	90	94	94	92	88	88	90	91	85
Somewhat oppose	2	2	2	3	1	6	3	2	2	2	1	3	2	2	3	1	2	2	2	2	2	3	2	2	3
Strongly oppose	1	1	0	1	1	2	0	1	1	1	3	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	2	1	1
TOTAL OPPOSE	3	3	2	4	2	8	3	3	3	3	4	4	3	2	4	2	3	3	2	2	3	4	4	3	4
Don't know	7	4	7	6	2	11	7	4	6	7	10	9	5	3	7	7	7	4	4	6	9	8	7	6	10

How much, if at all, do you trust the following on the issue of grooming gangs?

Keir Starmer

Trust a lot	3	1	8	4	1	2	6	2	4	3	2	3	4	4	4	2	3	3	3	4	2	4	3	3	6
Trust a fair amount	19	9	35	28	3	18	30	11	21	17	13	21	20	15	21	15	18	22	23	16	18	22	17	18	22
TOTAL TRUST	22	10	43	32	4	20	36	13	25	20	15	24	24	19	25	17	21	25	26	20	20	26	20	21	28
Do not trust very much	22	26	25	26	13	31	25	20	22	22	25	23	21	22	24	19	22	21	22	22	21	25	22	23	20
Do not trust at all	38	55	16	23	80	36	23	57	42	35	21	32	45	49	33	45	39	31	34	41	40	28	41	39	32
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST	60	81	41	49	93	67	48	77	64	57	46	55	66	71	57	64	61	52	56	63	61	53	63	62	52
Don't know	18	10	16	19	3	13	17	10	11	23	40	21	11	10	18	18	17	22	17	17	20	20	16	17	21

Nigel Farage

Trust a lot	8	12	2	2	33	0	2	15	10	6	5	4	9	13	7	8	8	8	4	8	9	4	9	8	5
Trust a fair amount	18	29	10	6	41	4	8	30	20	15	11	14	20	25	15	21	18	15	11	20	16	20	18	18	15
TOTAL TRUST	26	41	12	8	74	4	10	45	30	21	16	18	29	38	22	29	26	23	15	28	25	24	27	26	20
Do not trust very much	15	23	13	13	9	10	13	18	14	16	9	14	18	18	15	15	15	14	17	15	16	14	15	16	11
Do not trust at all	42	21	63	66	7	75	65	20	44	41	47	51	40	29	48	36	41	45	52	40	39	48	41	41	51
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST	57	44	76	79	16	85	78	38	58	57	56	65	58	47	63	51	56	59	69	55	55	62	56	57	62
Don't know	17	14	12	12	8	11	11	16	12	22	28	18	13	15	15	20	17	18	15	17	21	14	17	17	18

Kemi Badenoch

Trust a lot	2	6	1	1	3	1	1	4	3	2	2	2	2	4	3	2	2	1	1	1	2	3	3	2	3
Trust a fair amount	16	38	9	8	27	4	11	25	16	15	8	11	17	26	16	16	16	19	16	16	14	13	17	16	13
TOTAL TRUST	18	44	10	9	30	5	12	29	19	17	10	13	19	30	19	18	18	20	17	17	16	16	20	18	16
Do not trust very much	21	26	21	22	29	16	19	25	24	19	19	17	23	27	21	21	21	18	20	21	20	20	22	21	19
Do not trust at all	30	7	44	38	16	61	41	20	35	26	27	36	32	20	34	26	30	26	38	28	30	37	28	29	38
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST	51	33	65	60	45	77	60	45	59	45	46	53	55	47	55	47	51	44	58	49	50	57	50	50	57
Don't know	31	22	26	30	25	18	27	26	23	38	43	34	27	23	27	36	31	35	26	33	34	27	29	31	28

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Social services																										
Trust a lot	3	1	4	6	0	4	4	1	5	2	12	4	1	1	4	3	3	3	4	4	3	3	3	3	3	7
Trust a fair amount	26	22	33	32	10	39	33	19	24	28	33	31	23	20	28	24	27	23	24	27	25	30	27	26	34	
TOTAL TRUST	29	23	37	38	10	43	37	20	29	30	45	35	24	21	32	27	30	26	28	31	28	33	30	29	41	
Do not trust very much	36	42	36	32	32	37	36	38	35	38	28	33	37	45	37	36	35	43	40	37	37	38	33	37	32	
Do not trust at all	23	26	16	15	49	10	16	35	26	19	9	19	30	28	21	26	23	19	22	26	22	15	24	24	16	
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST	59	68	52	47	81	47	52	73	61	57	37	52	67	73	58	62	58	62	62	63	59	53	57	61	48	
Don't know	11	8	11	15	8	10	11	7	10	13	18	14	8	7	11	12	11	12	10	7	13	13	13	11	11	
The police																										
Trust a lot	6	6	9	4	4	0	7	4	7	6	5	6	7	6	6	7	6	4	7	7	7	8	5	6	7	
Trust a fair amount	37	39	39	42	24	38	41	33	35	39	43	38	34	37	38	36	38	37	34	38	41	37	36	38	38	
TOTAL TRUST	43	45	48	46	28	38	48	37	42	45	48	44	41	43	44	43	44	41	41	45	48	45	41	44	45	
Do not trust very much	32	36	30	34	36	40	31	35	33	31	25	30	32	38	32	32	32	33	35	33	30	31	32	32	33	
Do not trust at all	14	13	11	8	31	16	12	20	17	12	7	16	17	12	15	14	15	12	11	14	14	15	16	14	13	
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST	46	49	41	42	67	56	43	55	50	43	32	46	49	50	47	46	47	45	46	47	44	46	48	46	46	
Don't know	10	6	10	12	6	6	9	7	8	12	19	10	8	7	9	11	10	13	13	8	9	8	11	10	9	
The justice system																										
Trust a lot	6	6	9	6	2	1	7	4	7	5	7	6	6	5	6	6	6	2	5	5	6	10	6	5	9	
Trust a fair amount	36	36	46	43	20	40	45	29	36	37	38	38	34	36	40	31	37	34	34	37	37	36	36	36	43	
TOTAL TRUST	42	42	55	49	22	41	52	33	43	42	45	44	40	41	46	37	43	36	39	42	43	46	42	41	52	
Do not trust very much	31	30	27	30	39	37	27	36	31	31	30	28	33	34	30	32	30	37	38	32	28	32	28	32	28	
Do not trust at all	16	19	10	11	32	12	11	24	18	14	7	16	19	18	14	18	16	16	13	17	16	11	18	17	10	
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST	47	49	37	41	71	49	38	60	49	45	37	44	52	52	44	50	46	53	51	49	44	43	46	49	38	
Don't know	11	9	9	10	7	11	10	8	8	13	18	13	7	8	9	12	11	10	9	8	12	11	12	10	10	
National inquiries into the gangs																										
Trust a lot	6	5	7	10	2	6	7	4	7	5	8	6	5	6	7	5	6	4	5	6	6	5	7	6	8	
Trust a fair amount	37	38	48	41	23	42	44	31	37	37	45	37	37	34	40	33	37	37	38	37	33	39	37	37	41	
TOTAL TRUST	43	43	55	51	25	48	51	35	44	42	53	43	42	40	47	38	43	41	43	43	39	44	44	43	49	
Do not trust very much	29	35	20	30	40	29	27	35	31	27	15	26	31	37	26	31	28	25	34	28	32	28	27	30	20	
Do not trust at all	11	10	9	3	21	10	7	16	12	10	9	9	14	12	10	12	11	14	8	13	10	11	11	11	9	
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST	40	45	29	33	61	39	34	51	43	37	24	35	45	49	36	43	39	39	42	41	42	39	38	41	29	
Don't know	18	12	16	16	14	14	15	14	14	22	23	22	14	12	17	19	18	21	15	16	20	17	18	17	22	
Local councils																										
Trust a lot	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	2	1	1	0	1	2	1	1	1	1	
Trust a fair amount	15	12	19	19	5	28	19	9	15	15	23	18	12	10	17	12	16	7	14	15	12	23	15	13	25	
TOTAL TRUST	16	13	20	20	6	28	20	10	16	16	25	19	13	12	18	14	17	8	14	16	14	24	16	14	26	
Do not trust very much	39	44	43	41	30	37	44	37	38	41	35	37	40	45	40	38	39	48	41	38	41	39	38	40	37	
Do not trust at all	30	32	22	20	56	22	23	42	35	25	16	27	36	34	28	32	30	29	30	34	27	23	30	31	23	
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST	69	76	65	61	86	59	67	79	73	66	51	64	76	79	68	70	69	77	71	72	68	62	68	71	60	
Don't know	15	11	14	19	8	14	13	11	11	18	24	17	11	10	14	16	15	15	15	11	17	14	16	14	14	

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How much of a factor, if at all, do you think each of the following were in why police and local authorities failed to act on child grooming gang allegations in the early 2010s?

Concerns about being accused of racism and upsetting specific ethnic minority groups

A major factor	48	66	41	41	76	32	42	68	52	44	25	35	59	69	48	48	48	47	43	51	47	38	51	52	30
A moderate factor	24	19	30	32	10	21	29	17	24	24	25	29	22	19	24	25	24	23	31	23	26	26	22	23	31
TOTAL MAJOR / MODERATE FACTOR	72	85	71	73	86	53	71	85	76	68	50	64	81	88	72	73	72	70	74	74	73	64	73	75	61
A minor factor	10	6	12	13	4	18	14	4	9	11	18	13	6	4	12	7	10	8	7	9	11	13	10	10	12
Not a factor at all	4	2	5	4	2	12	5	1	5	4	10	5	3	2	5	4	4	9	3	4	2	7	4	3	12
TOTAL MINOR / NOT A FACTOR	14	8	17	17	6	30	19	5	14	15	28	18	9	6	17	11	14	17	10	13	13	20	14	13	24
Don't know	14	8	12	10	8	16	10	9	11	16	22	18	9	6	12	16	13	13	16	12	14	15	13	13	15

The victims were seen as less trustworthy or credible because of their social circumstances and backgrounds

A major factor	37	40	37	37	41	49	39	42	35	38	25	30	40	50	37	36	37	32	38	39	33	36	37	38	31
A moderate factor	34	35	37	35	25	27	36	30	34	34	36	35	34	30	35	32	34	36	32	34	35	31	33	34	33
TOTAL MAJOR / MODERATE FACTOR	71	75	74	72	66	76	75	72	69	72	61	65	74	80	72	68	71	68	70	73	68	67	70	72	64
A minor factor	11	10	10	13	15	7	10	11	13	8	7	13	10	9	11	10	10	9	12	9	11	13	11	10	12
Not a factor at all	4	4	3	4	5	3	4	4	4	3	6	3	4	4	4	4	3	11	3	3	4	4	3	3	5
TOTAL MINOR / NOT A FACTOR	15	14	13	17	20	10	14	15	17	11	13	16	14	13	15	14	13	20	15	12	15	17	14	13	17
Don't know	16	10	13	12	14	15	11	12	14	17	26	19	12	8	13	19	16	13	15	15	17	16	15	15	18

In the same circumstances, do you think the following would act the same way today in the face of child grooming gang allegations as they did in the early 2010s?

The police

They would act the same way today	35	37	31	28	50	41	33	41	40	30	27	36	39	32	35	34	35	29	29	35	33	40	35	35	32
They would act differently today	44	49	50	50	32	36	49	40	43	45	45	38	45	52	45	42	44	45	45	48	43	40	42	44	49
Don't know	22	14	19	22	18	23	19	19	17	26	28	26	17	16	20	24	21	25	26	16	23	20	23	22	19

Local councils

They would act the same way today	41	48	37	34	56	39	38	49	47	35	32	37	45	47	40	41	41	37	39	42	38	44	41	42	36
They would act differently today	33	32	41	36	24	33	40	28	32	33	33	33	31	34	34	30	33	31	32	36	30	31	33	32	38
Don't know	27	20	22	30	20	28	23	23	21	32	35	30	24	19	25	29	26	32	28	22	31	25	27	26	26

The justice system

They would act the same way today	37	39	33	30	52	40	35	43	42	32	28	36	40	38	37	36	37	34	33	36	37	39	38	37	34
They would act differently today	40	44	46	47	29	35	45	35	37	42	41	36	42	43	41	38	39	40	43	43	37	34	40	40	43
Don't know	24	16	21	23	19	25	20	22	21	26	31	28	18	18	22	26	23	26	24	21	26	25	23	23	23

Social services

They would act the same way today	37	42	35	28	54	41	35	45	42	33	25	35	43	41	37	38	38	31	36	37	37	39	38	38	32
They would act differently today	39	41	46	44	24	33	46	33	38	40	40	38	38	40	40	37	38	40	41	41	35	37	39	37	48
Don't know	24	16	19	29	22	26	20	21	20	28	36	27	19	19	23	25	24	28	23	22	28	24	23	24	20

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Which of the following do you think is the case when it comes to the ethnicity of child grooming gangs?

Most grooming gang offenders are white, with Asian offenders less common than their share of the UK population would suggest	6	2	6	7	1	25	8	2	6	5	15	7	3	1	7	4	6	2	4	6	4	10	5	3	18
The number of white and Asian grooming gang offenders generally reflects the ethnic distribution of the UK population	17	10	26	21	5	26	24	8	16	17	18	21	16	10	19	14	17	17	17	16	19	22	15	15	29
While there are both white and Asian grooming gang offenders, Asian grooming gangs are more common than their share of the UK population would suggest	30	38	30	28	38	17	27	38	30	29	21	23	35	40	29	31	30	31	32	32	32	23	29	33	15
Most grooming gang offenders are of Asian descent	22	33	14	11	46	6	13	37	25	20	12	16	25	36	20	26	23	20	17	26	23	15	23	24	13
Don't know	25	16	24	34	10	25	28	15	21	29	35	33	21	13	26	25	25	30	30	20	21	30	27	25	26

Do you think that police and local authorities should be legally required to collect and record the ethnicity of those who commit...

Child sexual exploitation crimes?

Should be required	78	86	75	72	95	58	73	90	79	77	57	74	84	88	74	82	78	74	80	79	77	71	80	79	70
Should not be required	11	7	14	13	3	26	15	5	11	11	20	12	9	6	14	8	11	15	9	11	12	13	10	10	15
Don't know	11	7	11	15	3	17	12	5	10	12	23	14	7	6	12	10	11	11	11	10	11	16	10	10	15

All crimes?

Should be required	76	84	73	71	93	61	71	88	76	76	56	73	82	85	73	80	76	76	75	78	77	69	77	77	70
Should not be required	13	9	15	15	3	24	17	6	14	12	23	13	11	9	15	10	13	13	14	12	13	15	12	12	18
Don't know	11	7	12	14	4	15	12	6	10	12	21	14	7	6	12	10	11	11	11	10	10	15	11	11	12

*Any percentages calculated on bases fewer than 100 respondents do not represent a wide enough cross-section of the target population to be considered statistically reliable. These figures should not be used.