

YouGov Survey Results

Sample Size: 511 Police Staff in England and Wales

Fieldwork: 18th February - 2nd March 2026

| | Job role | | Gender | | Age | | |
|--------------------------|------------|-----------------|----------------------|------|--------|-------|-----|
| | Total | Police Officers | Police staff / other | Male | Female | 18-40 | 41+ |
| Weighted Sample | 511 | 312 | 199 | 276 | 235 | 261 | 250 |
| Unweighted Sample | 511 | 273 | 238 | 270 | 241 | 167 | 344 |
| | % | % | % | % | % | % | % |

If you could change just one thing, what would be the ONE thing you would change to improve the police?

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| Resources / staffing | 45 | 45 | 44 | 42 | 48 | 47 | 42 |
| Organisational structure | 10 | 10 | 9 | 11 | 8 | 10 | 9 |
| Community relations | 9 | 9 | 8 | 9 | 9 | 5 | 13 |
| Accountability and oversight | 8 | 9 | 5 | 10 | 5 | 9 | 6 |
| Miscellaneous | 6 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 6 |
| Culture | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 5 |
| Policing priorities | 5 | 5 | 5 | 7 | 3 | 5 | 5 |
| Political | 5 | 5 | 5 | 8 | 3 | 4 | 7 |
| Recruitment (vetting) | 4 | 5 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 4 |
| Criminal Justice System | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| Powers / Authority | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| Training | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 2 |
| Visibility | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Specific issues | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Negative | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Other | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Don't know | 9 | 5 | 15 | 8 | 11 | 9 | 9 |

**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.*