

## YouGov Survey Results

Sample Size: 1739 GB Adults  
Fieldwork: 18th - 19th October 2011

	Gender		Age				Social grade		Region					
	Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-39	40-59	60+	ABC1	C2DE	London	Rest of South	Midlands / Wales	North	Scotland
<b>Weighted Sample</b>	<b>1739</b>	845	894	210	443	595	490	991	748	223	565	372	428	151
Unweighted Sample	1739	848	891	89	440	720	490	1200	539	248	581	374	356	180
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Currently there is no age limit on getting piercings in England and Wales. In Scotland people under the age of 16 need parental consent for piercings. Thinking about ear piercings, what do you think the age limit should be to get your ears pierced

Over 10	1	0	2	0	2	2	1	2	1	2	2	1	1	2
Over 12	6	5	6	7	9	5	3	5	6	10	5	5	5	6
Over 14	13	10	17	14	16	13	10	13	14	12	14	14	13	14
Over 16	52	53	51	50	52	53	52	55	48	48	51	56	51	55
Over 18	16	19	12	12	9	15	24	15	17	12	16	16	18	10
Over 21	3	4	3	5	1	3	4	3	3	7	3	3	3	3
There should not be an age of consent	5	4	5	6	7	3	4	4	5	5	4	4	6	4
Don't know	4	5	3	6	4	4	2	2	6	4	4	2	4	7

And thinking about piercings on other parts of the body (such as lip or nose piercings), what do you think the age limit should be to get other body parts pierced without parental consent, or do you not think there should be an age limit?

Over 10	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Over 12	1	2	0	2	1	1	0	1	1	4	1	1	1	0
Over 14	3	2	4	4	3	3	2	3	3	3	4	2	3	1
Over 16	39	41	38	47	45	36	34	42	36	40	38	41	35	48
Over 18	41	37	45	35	36	43	46	40	43	33	44	44	44	32
Over 21	10	11	9	5	5	12	15	10	10	14	9	9	10	12
There should not be an age of consent	2	2	1	1	3	2	0	2	2	1	1	2	3	1
Don't know	3	5	2	6	5	3	2	2	5	4	3	3	4	5