

YouGov Survey Results

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Fieldwork: 3rd - 16th October 2025

	Ethnicity / Birthplace			Vote in 2024 GE					EU Ref 2016			Gender		Age				Social Grade		Region in England				Have to have British family heritage going back a number of generations	
	Total	White, born in UK	Ethnic minority, born in UK	Ethnic minority, not born in UK	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Reform UK	Green	Remain	Leave	Male	Female	18-24	25-49	50-64	65+	ABC1	C2DE	North	Midlands	London	Rest of South		
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	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Which, if any, of the following best describes they way you think of yourself?

English not British	10	11	4	4	11	3	6	17	7	4	16	11	8	8	9	10	11	8	12	8	14	6	10	18
More English than British	11	13	6	4	18	7	6	20	5	8	17	11	10	11	10	11	14	10	11	12	11	6	12	15
TOTAL MORE ENGLISH	21	24	10	8	29	10	12	37	12	12	33	22	18	19	19	21	25	18	23	20	25	12	22	33
Equally English and British	44	50	29	16	47	46	44	48	37	44	49	39	48	33	40	50	48	41	48	48	44	30	46	44
More British than English	11	10	19	11	10	13	15	7	15	14	7	11	10	18	10	9	10	13	7	10	9	13	11	7
British not English	11	9	24	24	10	16	16	5	17	18	6	12	11	11	11	12	12	13	9	9	11	20	10	8
TOTAL MORE BRITISH	22	19	43	35	20	29	31	12	32	32	13	23	21	29	21	21	22	26	16	19	20	33	21	15
Other	9	4	8	32	3	9	9	2	12	8	3	10	7	10	12	5	5	9	8	9	6	17	7	6
Don't know	5	4	10	8	2	5	5	0	7	4	3	5	6	10	8	3	0	6	5	5	4	8	5	3

When it comes to who can be considered ****BRITISH****, which of the following is your view?

To be British, you have to have British family heritage going back a certain number of generations - you cannot be considered British solely by being born and/or raised in the UK, or by moving to the UK later in life	21	24	10	9	32	12	13	42	3	12	32	22	20	14	19	18	31	18	27	23	27	12	21	100
Being British is something you can be by being born and/or raised in the UK, even if your parents are not British, but you cannot be British if you were not born and/or raised in the UK	41	44	46	22	46	39	40	41	36	39	47	39	44	37	41	47	39	40	43	43	42	34	43	0
Being British is something you can be by coming to the UK for the first time as an adult and getting UK citizenship	24	20	31	56	13	38	31	10	39	36	12	26	23	37	24	23	21	30	16	24	19	39	23	0
Something else	5	5	5	6	4	5	7	2	10	7	4	5	5	4	5	6	3	5	5	5	4	6	5	0
Don't know	8	8	8	8	6	6	9	5	11	7	6	7	9	8	10	6	5	7	10	6	8	9	9	0

When it comes to who can be considered ****ENGLISH****, which of the following is your view?

To be English, you have to have English family heritage going back a certain number of generations - you cannot be considered English solely by being born and/or raised in England, or by moving to England later in life	32	33	33	31	47	19	21	54	10	23	42	32	32	25	30	31	39	27	39	33	37	28	30	86
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	To be British, you...			To be English, you...			Somebody can be considered British		Somebody can be considered English		Somebody can be considered British		Somebody can be considered English
	Can be born and/or raised in the UK	Can come to the UK for the first time as an adult and get UK citizenship	Have to have English family heritage going back a number of generations	Can be born and/or raised in England	You can come to the UK for the first time as an adult and get UK citizenship	Only if they are White	Regardless of their ethnicity	Only if they are White	Regardless of their ethnicity	Only if they are Christian or of their religion or heritage	Regardless of their religion or heritage	Only if they are Christian or of their religion or heritage	Only if they are Christian or of their religion or heritage
Weighted Sample	2950	1223	721	948	1186	402	168	2646	370	2396	171	2605	258
Unweighted Sample	2950	1120	1009	882	1122	507	120	2710	445	2306	136	2676	248
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Which, if any, of the following best describes they way you think of yourself?

English not British	10	10	4	17	8	4	14	9	14	9	22	9	22
More English than British	11	13	6	15	12	4	17	11	15	10	13	11	12
TOTAL MORE ENGLISH	21	23	10	32	20	8	31	20	29	19	35	20	34
Equally English and British	44	51	34	39	52	40	39	44	29	47	46	44	42
More British than English	11	9	17	8	10	17	11	11	10	11	7	11	7
British not English	11	9	21	11	10	15	5	12	16	11	2	12	6
TOTAL MORE BRITISH	22	18	38	19	20	32	16	23	26	22	9	23	13
Other	9	5	15	6	6	15	8	8	10	8	9	8	8
Don't know	5	3	4	3	3	5	7	4	6	4	1	4	2

When it comes to who can be considered ****BRITISH****, which of the following is your view?

To be British, you have to have British family heritage going back a certain number of generations - you cannot be considered British solely by being born and/or raised in the UK, or by moving to the UK later in life	21	0	0	57	6	2	87	16	45	17	67	18	51
Being British is something you can be by being born and/or raised in the UK, even if your parents are not British, but you cannot be British if you were not born and/or raised in the UK	41	100	0	30	73	8	9	45	33	44	26	44	32
Being British is something you can be by coming to the UK for the first time as an adult and getting UK citizenship	24	0	100	10	18	90	1	27	16	27	5	27	11
Something else	5	0	0	1	2	0	2	5	3	5	2	5	5
Don't know	8	0	0	3	1	0	2	6	4	7	0	6	2

When it comes to who can be considered ****ENGLISH****, which of the following is your view?

To be English, you have to have English family heritage going back a certain number of generations - you cannot be considered English solely by being born and/or raised in England, or by moving to England later in life	32	23	13	100	0	0	82	28	85	23	70	29	74
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	be considered English	Believe English ID requires heritage, by ethnicity			
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Unweighted Sample	2950	2514	471	171	199
	%	%	%	%	%

Which, if any, of the following best describes
they way you think of yourself?

English not British	10	9	20	3	1
More English than British	11	11	18	4	1
TOTAL MORE ENGLISH	21	20	38	7	2
Equally English and British	44	45	45	13	9
More British than English	11	11	7	17	16
British not English	11	12	6	43	31
TOTAL MORE BRITISH	22	23	13	60	47
Other	9	9	2	9	36
Don't know	5	4	2	10	5

When it comes to who can be considered
****BRITISH****, which of the following is your
view?

To be British, you have to have British family heritage going back a certain number of generations - you cannot be considered British solely by being born and/or raised in the UK, or by moving to the UK later in life	21	18	65	20	16
Being British is something you can be by being born and/or raised in the UK, even if your parents are not British, but you cannot be British if you were not born and/or raised in the UK	41	44	28	50	25
Being British is something you can be by coming to the UK for the first time as an adult and getting UK citizenship	24	27	3	26	53
Something else	5	5	1	2	5
Don't know	8	6	3	2	1

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	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	
Being English is something you can be by being born and/or raised in England, even if your parents are not English, but you cannot be English if you were not born and/or raised in England	40	42	35	30	39	43	44	36	42	41	42	40	41	39	39	43	41	42	37	39	40	37	42	12		
Being English is something you can be by coming to the UK for the first time as an adult and getting UK citizenship	14	12	15	22	6	23	19	4	25	19	7	14	13	21	14	12	11	17	10	15	11	18	12	1		
Something else	5	5	5	6	2	7	6	2	8	8	3	6	4	5	5	6	4	5	5	6	4	7	5	0		
Don't know	9	8	12	11	6	8	9	4	16	9	6	8	10	10	11	8	6	9	10	7	8	11	10	0		
Which of the following best reflects your view?																										
Somebody can be only considered **British** if they are White	6	6	4	3	7	4	3	9	0	2	8	6	6	6	5	4	8	4	8	6	8	2	5	23		
Somebody can be considered **British** regardless of their ethnicity	90	89	92	93	87	94	95	87	97	95	87	90	90	90	89	91	88	92	86	90	88	92	90	69		
Don't know	5	4	4	5	6	3	2	4	3	3	5	4	5	3	5	5	4	4	6	4	4	6	5	8		
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Somebody can be only considered **English** if they are White	13	10	24	24	17	8	7	16	7	7	15	12	13	16	12	10	13	11	15	13	14	17	10	26		
Somebody can be considered **English** regardless of their ethnicity	81	84	67	67	77	88	87	80	88	88	79	82	80	77	81	83	82	84	78	83	81	74	83	66		
Don't know	6	5	9	9	6	4	7	5	5	5	6	6	7	6	7	7	5	5	7	5	5	8	7	8		
Which of the following best reflects your view?																										
Somebody can be only considered British if they are Christian or of Christian heritage	6	6	3	4	8	3	3	11	2	3	9	6	5	5	5	6	8	5	8	6	7	4	6	18		
Somebody can be considered British regardless of their religion or religious heritage	88	88	92	91	83	94	94	85	94	94	84	88	88	91	87	88	90	90	85	88	90	88	88	74		
Don't know	6	6	5	5	9	3	3	4	4	3	7	6	6	4	8	6	3	5	7	6	3	8	6	8		
Which of the following best reflects your view?																										
Somebody can be only considered **English** if they are Christian or of Christian heritage	9	8	10	10	13	5	3	16	4	4	13	9	8	5	8	9	10	7	12	8	9	9	9	21		
Somebody can be considered **English** regardless of their religion or religious heritage	84	85	82	82	78	91	92	79	90	91	79	84	85	90	83	84	86	87	81	85	87	82	84	70		
Don't know	7	7	8	8	9	4	4	5	6	5	8	6	7	5	9	7	4	6	8	7	4	9	7	9		

What does it mean to be British?

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Total	2950	2950	2950	2950	2950	2950	2950	2950	2950	2950	2950	2950	
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Being English is something you can be by being born and/or raised in England, even if your parents are not English, but you cannot be English if you were not born and/or raised in England	40	71	29	0	100	0	13	44	11	47	22	43	20
Being English is something you can be by coming to the UK for the first time as an adult and getting UK citizenship	14	2	50	0	0	100	2	15	1	16	2	15	1
Something else	5	1	3	0	0	0	2	5	2	5	4	5	4
Don't know	9	3	5	0	0	0	1	8	2	8	2	8	1
Which of the following best reflects your view?													
Somebody can be only considered **British** if they are White	6	1	0	15	2	1	100	0	39	1	39	3	27
Somebody can be considered **British** regardless of their ethnicity	90	98	99	79	97	97	0	100	58	99	58	95	70
Don't know	5	1	1	6	1	2	0	0	4	0	3	2	3
Which of the following best reflects your view?													
Somebody can be only considered **English** if they are White	13	10	8	33	3	1	85	8	100	0	47	10	54
Somebody can be considered **English** regardless of their ethnicity	81	86	88	59	95	98	13	90	0	100	48	86	43
Don't know	6	4	4	8	2	1	2	2	0	0	4	4	3
Which of the following best reflects your view?													
Somebody can be only considered British if they are Christian or of Christian heritage	6	4	1	13	3	1	40	4	22	3	100	0	59
Somebody can be considered British regardless of their religion or religious heritage	88	93	98	80	94	98	51	93	69	94	0	100	39
Don't know	6	3	1	7	3	1	10	3	9	3	0	0	2
Which of the following best reflects your view?													
Somebody can be only considered **English** if they are Christian or of Christian heritage	9	7	4	20	4	1	42	7	38	5	89	4	100
Somebody can be considered **English** regardless of their religion or religious heritage	84	89	94	72	93	98	48	89	52	92	9	95	0
Don't know	7	4	2	8	3	1	10	4	10	3	2	1	0
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Being English is something you can be by coming to the UK for the first time as an adult and getting UK citizenship	14	16	0	0	0
Something else	5	5	0	0	0
Don't know	9	8	0	0	0

Which of the following best reflects your view?

Somebody can be only considered **British** if they are White	6	3	17	8	3
Somebody can be considered **British** regardless of their ethnicity	90	95	76	89	96
Don't know	5	2	7	3	1

Which of the following best reflects your view?

Somebody can be only considered **English** if they are White	13	8	28	63	54
Somebody can be considered **English** regardless of their ethnicity	81	89	64	27	37
Don't know	6	4	7	10	8

Which of the following best reflects your view?

Somebody can be only considered British if they are Christian or of Christian heritage	6	1	14	6	6
Somebody can be considered British regardless of their religion or religious heritage	88	99	78	89	92
Don't know	6	0	8	5	2

Which of the following best reflects your view?

Somebody can be only considered **English** if they are Christian or of Christian heritage	9	0	20	18	21
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	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Have to be white AND have family heritage to be BRITISH	5	6	3	1	6	3	3	9	0	2	7	5	5	5	4	4	7	4	7	6	7	2	4	23
Have to be white, Christian AND have family heritage BRITISH	2	2	1	0	3	1	1	5	0	1	4	2	3	1	1	2	5	1	3	3	2	1	2	10
What does it mean to be English?																								
Have to be white AND have family heritage to be ENGLISH	11	9	21	17	15	6	6	14	5	6	13	10	11	13	10	9	12	9	13	10	12	15	9	24
Have to be white, Christian AND have family heritage to be ENGLISH	4	4	5	6	6	2	2	8	0	1	6	4	4	2	4	3	6	3	5	4	4	5	4	12

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Have to be white AND have family heritage to be BRITISH	5	0	0	13	1	1	87	0	34	1	36	3	25
Have to be white, Christian AND have family heritage BRITISH	2	0	0	6	0	0	37	0	16	0	36	0	23
What does it mean to be English?													
Have to be white AND have family heritage to be ENGLISH	11	8	6	33	0	0	74	7	85	0	41	8	45
Have to be white, Christian AND have family heritage to be ENGLISH	4	2	2	12	0	0	35	2	32	0	38	2	45

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Have to be white AND have family heritage to be BRITISH	5	3	15	7	3
Have to be white, Christian AND have family heritage BRITISH	2	0	7	2	0
What does it mean to be English?					
Have to be white AND have family heritage to be ENGLISH	11	7	28	63	54
Have to be white, Christian AND have family heritage to be ENGLISH	4	0	11	15	18

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