

## Polling Methodological Note – 17/4/2025

A representative sample of 1,285 adults in Great Britain was interviewed between the afternoon of 8<sup>th</sup> April and the morning of 14<sup>th</sup> April 2025. Our sample was drawn from Verian's random sample panel Public Voice.

This panel is used extensively for social research commissioned by government, academic and third sector organisations, including those based in the US and Europe. Membership of this panel is restricted to those living in a controlled sample of UK addresses drawn from the Royal Mail's master database. This restrictive method of panel-building is relatively expensive but will ordinarily provide benefits in terms of sample and data quality when compared with a panel that any adult resident in the UK can join. Although the short-period fieldwork web-only protocol used for this poll is much more limited than is typical for a social research survey, the demographic and political composition of the sample is only modestly degraded compared to what could be obtained using the full social research data collection protocol (two to three weeks using both web and telephone interview modes).

We used this random sampling approach for our 2024 General Election polling, and firmly believe that this enabled us to generate the most accurate voting intentions estimate [ahead of the election](#).

The data was weighted in multiple stages. First, design weighting was applied to account for variations in sampling probability (both for selection into the Public Voice panel and for selection into this specific poll). Second, non-response modelling was used to account for variations in response probability that are associated with the extensive profiling data held about all Public Voice panel members. Finally, the data was calibrated to match population totals for age, gender, 2024 General Election voting patterns, education, region, and likelihood to vote in the next General Election. Further information about the benchmarks used in the final weighting stage can be found on page 3.

The response rate for this poll was 22% (1,285 completes out of 5,719 Public Voice panellists invited to take part in the survey).

## **Voting intentions**

The voting intention figures provided aim to show the current political opinion of the nation rather than to accurately predict the outcome of the next General Election.

It should be noted that "Reform UK" and "Green Party" were included on a second screen. The first screen included the following other code – "Other party or individual (such as Reform UK or the Green Party)".

As well as weighting the data, a Likelihood to Vote (LTV) Model has been used to estimate the voting probability of each respondent. These probabilities vary by stated likelihood of voting, age, and whether or not individuals reported voting in the 2024 general election. The parameters for this were based on a subset of the Public Voice panel recruited just before the 2019GE and surveyed about that election shortly afterwards. We are currently developing a new turnout model based on 2024 election data which we expect to implement later in 2025.

## **Uncertainty**

All polls are subject to a wide range of potential sources of error. On the basis of the historical record of the polls at recent general elections, there is a 9 in 10 chance that the true value of a party's support lies within 4 points of the estimates provided by this poll, and a 2 in 3 chance that it lies within 2 points.

## **Sampling variance**

We have calculated robust standard errors taking into account the poll sample design and the weighting applied. The 95% Confidence Intervals for key voting intention estimates are provided below.

- Labour Party = 22.1% to 27.8%
- Reform UK = 21.1% to 26.7%
- Conservative Party = 16.5% to 21.6%
- Liberal Democrats = 13.8% to 18.4%
- Green = 7.3% to 12.0%
- SNP = 1.6% to 3.8%

## Weighting benchmarks

Weights have been applied to the sample to ensure that it is representative of the general public in Great Britain aged 18+. The sources for the population totals are provided above each table.

### Gender\* and age

Source: ONS Mid-Year-2022 Population Estimates:

	Unweighted count	Weighted count
Male 18-24	47	69
Male 25-34	88	106
Male 35-44	97	103
Male 45-54	118	102
Male 55-69	149	142
Male 70+	98	100
Female 18-24	45	66
Female 25-34	102	111
Female 35-44	113	109
Female 45-54	134	106
Female 55-69	180	148
Female 70+	114	123

\*Those reporting an "other" gender have been randomly allocated to either male or female solely for the purpose of weighting.

### Region

Source: ONS Mid-Year-2022 Population Estimates:

	Unweighted count	Weighted count
North East England	41	53
North West England	141	146
Yorkshire & Humber	105	108
East Midlands	84	97
West Midlands	94	116
East of England	143	124
London	205	172
South East England	192	183
South West England	119	115
Wales	65	62
Scotland	96	109

### Education by age

Source: ONS Annual Population Survey (July 2022-June 2023)

	Unweighted count	Weighted count
Aged 18-24 with a degree	52	30
Aged 25-44 with a degree	245	210
Aged 45-69 with a degree	217	159
Other	771	886

## Vote in the 2024 General Election\*

Source: 2024 General Election & ONS Mid-Year-2022 Population Estimates

	Unweighted percentage	Weighted percentage
No vote	19%	46%
Labour	34%	19%
Conservative	21%	13%
Lib Dem	08%	7%
SNP	2%	1%
Reform UK	9%	8%
Green	5%	4%
Other	3%	2%

\* An imputed response is given for those who preferred not to say who they voted for in the 2024 General Election.

## Likelihood to Vote in General Election

We have estimated the likelihood that each respondent will vote in the next General Election. This value is based on respondents' stated intention to vote, their age, and whether they reported voting in the last general election. The expected population turnout fixed at the 2024 General Election turn out has been included as a population total in the weighting matrix.

	Unweighted percentage	Weighted percentage
Estimated <b>Voting Age Population</b> turnout	72%	56%

The Likelihood to Vote model was developed using data from a subset of the Public Voice panel that was recruited just before the 2019GE (providing their stated likelihood to vote in that election) and surveyed about it shortly afterwards (confirming whether or not they voted).

## Further details

Please contact Richard Crawshaw [Richard.Crawshaw@VerianGroup.com](mailto:Richard.Crawshaw@VerianGroup.com) for further details on the methodology used in this polling.

**Table 1 : If the UK General Election were to be held tomorrow, do you think you would....'**

Base: All adults GB 18+		Total	Gender		18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Vote in 2024 General Election				
			Male	Female							Labour	Conservative	Lib Dems	Reform UK	No Vote
If the UK General Election were to be held tomorrow, do you think you would....'	Unweighted Base	1285	592	682	92	190	210	252	241	300	410	259	95	109	235
	Weighted Base	1285	614	652	135	217	212	208	220	293	221	158	83	97	583
	Definitely vote	744	365	369	68	131	95	102	138	210	189	139	74	89	158
		58%	60%	57%	50%	60%	45%	49%	63%	72%	85%	88%	89%	92%	27%
	Probably vote	217	101	108	20	42	36	45	35	39	25	17	9	6	140
		17%	16%	17%	15%	19%	17%	22%	16%	13%	11%	10%	11%	6%	24%
	Probably not vote	157	83	74	20	23	42	21	30	20	6	2	0	1	141
		12%	13%	11%	15%	11%	20%	10%	14%	7%	3%	1%	0%	1%	24%
	Definitely not vote	139	57	82	19	14	34	34	14	24	1	0	0	0	131
		11%	9%	13%	14%	6%	16%	17%	6%	8%	0%	0%	0%	0%	23%
	Or would you prefer not to say?	29	7	20	7	6	5	6	3	1	1	1	0	1	12
		2%	1%	3%	5%	3%	2%	3%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	2%

**Table 2 : Headline Voting intention - weighted by likelihood of turning out in the General Election**

Base: Adults in GB 18+ - excluding those who plan not to vote & those who refuse to say who they will vote for		Gender			Age band						Vote in 2024 General Election				
		Total	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Labour	Conservative	Lib Dems	Reform UK	No Vote
Headline Voting intention - weighted by likelihood of turning out in the General Election	Unweighted Base	1084	512	565	79	163	171	205	208	258	373	241	92	103	156
	Weighted Base	640	321	312	63	106	79	90	117	184	170	127	69	81	120
	Conservative	121	51	70	7	11	9	15	25	54	6	87	0	7	20
		19%	16%	22%	11%	10%	11%	17%	21%	30%	4%	69%	0%	9%	16%
	Labour	159	84	73	24	36	25	26	16	31	120	3	6	0	30
		25%	26%	24%	39%	34%	32%	29%	14%	17%	70%	2%	9%	0%	25%
	Liberal Democrats	102	51	50	13	15	11	8	20	35	18	7	57	2	11
		16%	16%	16%	21%	14%	14%	9%	17%	19%	11%	6%	84%	3%	10%
	UKIP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	SNP	16	11	5	0	2	6	1	2	5	1	0	0	0	4
		3%	4%	2%	1%	1%	8%	1%	1%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%
	Plaid Cymru	10	3	7	1	3	1	2	1	2	1	0	0	0	4
		2%	1%	2%	1%	3%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	4%
	Green	60	26	29	12	20	9	8	5	6	10	2	3	1	11
		9%	8%	9%	19%	19%	11%	9%	4%	4%	6%	1%	4%	1%	9%
	Reform UK	152	88	65	3	16	14	28	45	46	12	25	2	70	37
		24%	27%	21%	5%	15%	18%	31%	39%	25%	7%	19%	3%	86%	31%
	Other	19	6	13	3	3	4	1	3	4	2	4	1	1	3
		3%	2%	4%	4%	3%	6%	2%	3%	2%	1%	3%	1%	1%	2%

**Table 3 : Which of the following do you think are the three most important priorities for the UK government to tackle to improve public life in the UK.**

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	Weighted Base	1285	614	652	135	217	212	208	220	293	221	158	83	97	583
	Growing the UK's economy	388	244	144	31	67	69	59	75	87	64	57	26	25	189
		30%	40%	22%	23%	31%	33%	28%	34%	30%	29%	36%	31%	26%	32%
	Reducing crime	275	143	129	40	28	39	45	62	62	43	49	9	34	117
		21%	23%	20%	29%	13%	18%	22%	28%	21%	19%	31%	11%	35%	20%
	Investing more in NHS capacity	512	196	299	58	95	85	80	84	111	97	48	34	24	247
		40%	32%	46%	43%	44%	40%	38%	38%	38%	44%	30%	41%	25%	42%
	Investing more in social care	148	48	99	3	13	20	27	26	59	39	26	18	6	44
		12%	8%	15%	2%	6%	9%	13%	12%	20%	18%	16%	22%	6%	8%
	Reducing the national debt	92	54	38	10	16	21	10	18	18	16	12	4	8	45
		7%	9%	6%	7%	7%	10%	5%	8%	6%	7%	8%	5%	9%	8%
	Investing more in education	129	46	83	15	22	27	31	13	21	22	13	15	2	58
		10%	7%	13%	11%	10%	13%	15%	6%	7%	10%	8%	18%	2%	10%
	Stricter border controls to reduce immigration	445	216	227	17	41	48	68	119	152	40	94	11	82	190
		35%	35%	35%	13%	19%	23%	32%	54%	52%	18%	59%	14%	85%	33%
	Reducing income inequality between the richest and the poorest	244	125	113	40	54	41	35	34	41	62	9	20	6	101
		19%	20%	17%	30%	25%	20%	17%	15%	14%	28%	6%	24%	7%	17%
	Reducing unemployment	116	52	64	18	20	27	20	14	16	29	11	9	9	49
		9%	8%	10%	13%	9%	13%	10%	6%	5%	13%	7%	11%	9%	8%

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Which of the following do you think are the three most important priorities for the UK government to tackle to improve public life in the UK.	Unweighted Base	<b>1285</b>	<b>592</b>	<b>682</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>235</b>
	Weighted Base	<b>1285</b>	<b>614</b>	<b>652</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>583</b>
	Affordable housing	<b>248</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>114</b>
		<b>19%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>20%</b>
	Reducing emissions to tackle climate change	<b>132</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>58</b>
		<b>10%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>10%</b>
	Reducing the cost of living for households	<b>554</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>287</b>
		<b>43%</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>54%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>49%</b>
	Investing in defence/the armed forces	<b>151</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>47</b>
		<b>12%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>8%</b>
	Ensuring there won't be enegery (gas/electricity) shortages	<b>103</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>49</b>
		<b>8%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>8%</b>
	Improving relations and trade with the EU	<b>150</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>62</b>
		<b>12%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>11%</b>
	None of these	<b>10</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>
		<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>1%</b>
	Don't know	<b>20</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>
		<b>2%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>1%</b>
	Prefer not to answer	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>
		<b>0%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>



**Table 4 : Compared to a year ago, do you think that the British economy is doing...?**

Base: All adults GB 18+		Total	Gender		18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Vote in 2024 General Election				
			Male	Female							Labour	Conservative	Lib Dems	Reform UK	No Vote
Compared to a year ago, do you think that the British economy is doing....?	Unweighted Base	<b>1285</b>	<b>592</b>	<b>682</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>235</b>
	Weighted Base	<b>1285</b>	<b>614</b>	<b>652</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>583</b>
	Better than it was 12 months ago	<b>61</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>25</b>
		<b>5%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>4%</b>
	Much the same as it was 12 months ago	<b>422</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>187</b>
		<b>33%</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>51%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>32%</b>
	Worse than it was 12 months ago	<b>802</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>435</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>372</b>
		<b>62%</b>	<b>57%</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>51%</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>51%</b>	<b>61%</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>79%</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>85%</b>	<b>64%</b>

**Table 5 : Thinking about the year ahead, in 12 months time do you think the British economy will be doing...?**

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Thinking about the year ahead, in 12 months time do you think the British economy will be doing:....?	Unweighted Base	1285	592	682	92	190	210	252	241	300	410	259	95	109	235
	Weighted Base	1285	614	652	135	217	212	208	220	293	221	158	83	97	583
	Better than it is now	108	64	43	18	22	30	12	12	14	42	5	6	6	41
		8%	10%	7%	13%	10%	14%	6%	5%	5%	19%	3%	7%	6%	7%
	Much the same as it is now	492	236	247	45	96	86	96	68	101	107	48	39	25	225
		38%	38%	38%	34%	44%	40%	46%	31%	34%	48%	30%	47%	26%	39%
	Worse than it is now	685	314	363	71	98	97	100	141	178	73	106	38	66	317
		53%	51%	56%	53%	45%	46%	48%	64%	61%	33%	67%	46%	68%	54%

**Table 6 : Compared to a year ago, do you find it easier or harder to meet your monthly household budget?**

Base: All adults GB 18+		Total	Gender		18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Labour	Conservative	Lib Dems	Reform UK	No Vote
Compared to a year ago, do you find it easier or harder to meet your monthly household budget? Would you say it is...?	Unweighted Base	1285	592	682	92	190	210	252	241	300	410	259	95	109	235
	Weighted Base	1285	614	652	135	217	212	208	220	293	221	158	83	97	583
	Easier than it was 12 months ago	46	26	21	8	10	18	4	5	1	10	3	4	2	24
		4%	4%	3%	6%	5%	9%	2%	2%	0%	5%	2%	4%	2%	4%
	About the same as it was 12 months ago	439	243	186	48	75	69	64	60	122	96	54	34	27	178
		34%	40%	28%	36%	35%	33%	31%	27%	42%	43%	34%	41%	28%	30%
	Harder than it was 12 months ago	800	345	446	78	132	125	140	155	170	115	101	45	68	382
		62%	56%	68%	58%	61%	59%	67%	71%	58%	52%	64%	55%	70%	65%