

YouGov Survey Results



Sample Size: 1802 GB Adults
Fieldwork: 8th - 11th July 2021

	Vote in 2019 GE				2016 EU Ref		Gender		Age				Social Grade		Region				
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To what extent, if at all, do you support or oppose there being a legally enforced minimum wage (i.e. a minimum hourly rate that employers have to pay their staff) in the UK?

Strongly support	70	58	85	80	80	63	66	73	67	74	74	60	70	69	72	69	70	70	66
Somewhat support	19	30	9	18	16	26	21	17	12	13	20	32	20	18	17	19	20	17	24
TOTAL SUPPORT	89	88	94	98	96	89	87	90	79	87	94	92	90	87	89	88	90	87	90
Somewhat oppose	4	6	2	1	1	5	5	3	5	5	2	3	4	4	2	4	4	3	3
Strongly oppose	1	2	0	0	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	2	1	1	1
TOTAL OPPOSE	5	8	2	1	2	7	7	4	6	6	3	4	5	5	2	6	5	4	4
Not sure	6	3	4	1	2	4	6	7	15	7	2	4	5	8	8	6	4	8	6

Why do you support the minimum wage being lower for 18-22 year olds than it is for those aged 23 and over? Please tick all that apply.

[Asked only to those who answered that they supported the minimum wage being lower for those aged 18-22 than it is for over 23s; n=296]

It gives young people with less experience an advantage when applying for jobs	36	39	35	30	42	30	32	40	57	30	38	41	44	26	45	35	46	25	32
Young people with less experience are not as good at the job they're doing as older people so they shouldn't be paid the same	56	62	43	45	42	63	59	52	40	43	63	67	50	62	52	59	54	63	37
Young people don't need the same amount of money as older people as they have less responsibilities	48	43	48	61	49	42	50	46	85	59	36	39	48	48	62	52	39	49	34
Young people being paid less allows businesses to thrive by decreasing the amount they have to pay out in staff costs	15	19	10	13	11	16	17	13	0	12	12	23	14	15	21	16	16	10	12
Other [See tab 1.]	3	2	2	18	4	2	3	3	0	0	6	5	3	3	0	5	1	4	5
Not sure	4	3	9	4	7	2	3	5	0	4	7	2	3	5	8	1	3	2	16

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[Excluding those who oppose the minimum wage; n=1623]

£0.00 - £5.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
£5.01 - £6.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
£6.01 - £7.00	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
£7.01 - £8.00	1	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	5	1	1	0	1	2	0	1	1	3	2
£8.01 - £9.00	6	6	5	4	6	5	5	7	12	7	4	4	5	8	5	8	5	5	7
£9.01 - £10.00	22	19	23	29	22	20	24	21	24	23	26	17	21	23	18	21	23	24	24
£10.01 - £11.00	5	5	5	4	4	6	5	5	6	7	5	3	6	5	5	5	7	4	3
£11.01 - £12.00	9	8	11	8	11	8	9	8	9	7	10	10	9	8	8	11	8	7	7
£12.01 - £13.00	2	1	2	4	3	1	2	2	3	2	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	2	5
£13.01 - £14.00	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	2	0	0	1	1
£14.01 - £15.00	4	2	7	3	5	3	4	4	1	5	6	3	4	4	6	4	3	4	6
£15.01 - £20.00	1	1	2	3	1	1	2	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	0	1	1
£20.00+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Don't know	48	54	42	45	45	53	45	50	33	46	45	60	48	47	52	45	51	47	43
Median (£/hour)	10.00	10.00	10.00	####	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.50	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Mean (£/hour)	10.98	10.68	11.39	####	11.15	11.01	11.18	10.77	10.48	10.99	11.05	11.17	11.05	10.88	11.37	11.26	10.71	10.62	10.93

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Minimum wage 23+

[Excluding those who oppose the minimum wage; n=1623]

£8.91 (+/- 5%)	6	6	5	4	6	5	5	7	12	7	4	5	5	8	5	7	6	6	7
Below £8.46	2	3	2	1	2	1	2	2	7	2	2	1	2	2	0	1	1	4	4
Above £9.36	44	37	51	50	47	41	47	41	47	45	50	35	45	43	43	46	42	43	47
Don't know	48	54	42	45	45	53	45	50	33	46	45	60	48	47	52	45	51	47	43

Minimum wage 23+

[Excluding those who oppose the minimum wage; n=1623]

Below £8.91	3	4	2	3	2	2	3	4	9	4	2	1	3	4	2	3	2	5	4
8.91	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	1
Above £8.91	48	41	55	53	52	44	52	46	54	50	53	39	49	48	46	51	47	46	53
Don't know	48	54	42	45	45	53	45	50	33	46	45	60	48	47	52	45	51	47	43

How much should the hourly minimum wage be for those aged between 21 and 22? Please enter a value in pounds and pence (i.e. 00.00) or if you don't know, tick 'don't know'.

[Excluding those who oppose the minimum wage; n=1623]

£0.00 - £5.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
£5.01 - £6.00	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	0
£6.01 - £7.00	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	2
£7.01 - £8.00	4	5	2	3	2	5	4	4	5	5	5	2	3	6	1	3	5	5	5
£8.01 - £9.00	10	8	10	6	9	7	10	9	18	11	8	6	8	11	8	10	11	9	5
£9.01 - £10.00	20	18	24	23	21	18	21	20	28	19	23	16	21	19	19	22	17	20	25
£10.01 - £11.00	4	4	4	3	4	4	4	4	2	4	4	4	4	3	5	4	4	2	5
£11.01 - £12.00	6	4	9	5	8	4	5	6	5	4	7	6	6	4	8	6	4	5	6
£12.01 - £13.00	1	1	1	4	2	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	2	1	0	1	2	1	1
£13.01 - £14.00	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
£14.01 - £15.00	3	1	6	3	4	2	3	3	3	4	3	2	3	2	4	4	2	3	4
£15.01 - £20.00	1	1	1	2	1	1	2	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
£20.00+	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0
Don't know	49	57	42	48	48	55	47	52	30	48	46	62	49	50	52	46	54	50	47
Median (£/hour)	10.00	10.00	10.00	####	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Mean (£/hour)	10.30	10.03	10.81	####	10.63	10.20	10.39	10.22	9.82	10.25	10.44	10.59	10.54	9.96	10.64	10.50	10.10	10.06	10.22

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Minimum wage 21 - 22

[Excluding those who oppose the minimum wage; n=1623]

£8.36 (+/- 5%)	5	6	4	3	4	6	5	6	8	6	6	3	4	7	3	5	6	6	6
Below £7.94	2	2	1	4	1	2	2	2	3	3	2	0	2	3	1	1	1	3	3
Above £8.78	37	30	50	44	45	32	39	36	44	36	42	31	40	33	39	41	34	35	39
Don't know	55	62	46	50	50	60	54	56	45	55	49	66	54	57	57	53	58	56	52

Minimum wage 21 - 22

[Excluding those who oppose the minimum wage; n=1623]

Below £8.36	6	7	3	5	3	7	7	5	10	8	6	2	4	9	3	5	6	9	7
8.36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Above £8.36	44	36	55	46	49	38	46	43	59	44	48	36	47	41	45	49	40	41	46
Don't know	49	57	42	48	48	55	47	52	30	48	46	62	49	50	52	46	54	50	47

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£14.01 - £15.00	2	1	5	2	3	2	3	2	1	3	3	1	3	2	4	2	2	2	4
£15.01 - £20.00	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
£20.00+	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Don't know	51	58	43	49	49	56	49	52	34	51	46	62	49	52	53	48	53	52	47
Median (£/hour)	10.00	10.00	10.00	####	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Mean (£/hour)	9.93	9.55	10.59	####	10.34	9.67	9.99	9.87	9.30	9.92	10.15	10.05	10.14	9.61	10.42	10.02	9.79	9.65	10.00

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Minimum wage 18 - 20

[Excluding those who oppose the minimum wage; n=1623]

£6.56 (+/- 5%)	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	
Below £6.22	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	4	2	0	1	1	2	1	1	1	3	1
Above £6.90	48	40	56	50	50	42	48	47	61	47	53	37	49	45	45	51	44	46	51
Don't know	51	58	43	48	49	56	49	52	34	51	46	62	49	52	53	48	53	52	47

Minimum wage 18 - 20

[Excluding those who oppose the minimum wage; n=1623]

Below £6.56	2	2	1	1	1	2	2	1	5	2	1	1	1	2	1	1	2	3	2
£6.56	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Above £6.56	48	40	56	50	50	42	48	47	61	47	54	37	49	45	45	51	45	46	51
Don't know	51	58	43	48	49	56	49	52	34	51	46	62	49	52	53	48	53	52	47