

YouGov / Good Law Project Survey Results

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How much, if at all, do you trust the following professions?

Judges

Trust a lot	15	16	14	28	20	13	14	17	14	16	15	16	18	11	16	17	16	13	11
Trust a fair amount	50	50	55	55	57	46	53	47	42	48	53	52	53	45	49	51	51	46	51
TOTAL TRUST A LOT/A FAIR AMOUNT	65	66	69	83	77	59	67	64	56	64	68	68	71	56	65	68	67	59	62
Do not trust very much	19	22	17	11	13	24	18	20	19	18	20	19	16	23	18	19	18	20	18
Do not trust at all	8	8	5	2	4	10	6	9	7	8	8	7	5	11	6	6	6	10	10
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST VERY MUCH/AT ALL	27	30	22	13	17	34	24	29	26	26	28	26	21	34	24	25	24	30	28
Not sure	9	5	8	4	6	6	10	6	18	10	5	5	7	11	11	6	9	10	9

Teachers

Trust a lot	23	17	34	35	33	17	24	24	23	26	22	21	27	19	27	23	23	23	24
Trust a fair amount	54	54	54	55	55	54	58	51	49	53	54	57	54	53	53	55	53	51	56
TOTAL TRUST A LOT/A FAIR AMOUNT	77	71	88	90	88	71	82	75	72	79	76	78	81	72	80	78	76	74	80
Do not trust very much	13	19	7	7	7	18	11	15	12	11	15	15	12	15	10	13	13	14	12
Do not trust at all	4	7	1	1	1	7	3	6	5	4	6	4	3	6	3	4	4	5	3
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST VERY MUCH/AT ALL	17	26	8	8	8	25	14	21	17	15	21	19	15	21	13	17	17	19	15
Not sure	6	3	4	2	3	4	5	5	11	6	3	4	4	8	7	4	6	6	6

Civil servants

Trust a lot	5	3	8	8	8	3	5	6	4	7	4	3	7	3	5	6	5	4	6
Trust a fair amount	40	33	49	55	51	32	43	39	37	44	38	37	44	35	48	38	41	38	41
TOTAL TRUST A LOT/A FAIR AMOUNT	45	36	57	63	59	35	48	45	41	51	42	40	51	38	53	44	46	42	47
Do not trust very much	28	35	24	25	26	34	28	29	23	23	32	36	29	27	22	30	29	28	28
Do not trust at all	12	19	6	5	5	21	8	17	7	9	17	16	9	16	9	13	12	14	11
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST VERY MUCH/AT ALL	40	54	30	30	31	55	36	46	30	32	49	52	38	43	31	43	41	42	39
Not sure	14	9	13	7	11	10	17	10	29	17	9	8	11	18	15	14	13	15	14

Doctors

Trust a lot	31	27	39	45	38	27	28	36	31	31	32	30	35	26	34	32	29	30	32
Trust a fair amount	51	55	49	48	52	53	55	48	44	51	51	55	51	51	47	53	52	49	53
TOTAL TRUST A LOT/A FAIR AMOUNT	82	82	88	93	90	80	83	84	75	82	83	85	86	77	81	85	81	79	85
Do not trust very much	11	13	8	5	7	14	12	10	12	10	12	12	9	13	10	9	13	13	11
Do not trust at all	3	3	1	0	1	3	2	3	3	3	3	1	2	4	2	3	2	3	2
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST VERY MUCH/AT ALL	14	16	9	5	8	17	14	13	15	13	15	13	11	17	12	12	15	16	13
Not sure	4	2	3	1	2	3	4	3	10	5	2	2	3	5	6	3	4	5	2

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Judges

Trust a lot	15	16	15	11	9	13	0	14	12	12	16	9	9	12
Trust a fair amount	50	51	48	50	35	39	50	43	47	46	51	30	37	44
TOTAL TRUST A LOT/A FAIR AMOUNT	65	67	63	61	44	52	50	57	59	58	67	39	46	56
Do not trust very much	19	19	21	19	29	19	34	23	25	24	17	23	29	23
Do not trust at all	8	7	10	6	12	10	8	13	9	10	7	0	14	10
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST VERY MUCH/AT ALL	27	26	31	25	41	29	42	36	34	34	24	23	43	33
Not sure	9	8	6	15	15	19	8	8	8	8	9	37	11	11

Teachers

Trust a lot	23	23	26	28	23	24	24	25	20	22	24	15	19	25
Trust a fair amount	54	55	55	50	43	41	59	45	54	51	55	48	45	49
TOTAL TRUST A LOT/A FAIR AMOUNT	77	78	81	78	66	65	83	70	74	73	79	63	64	74
Do not trust very much	13	13	8	13	15	13	5	16	15	16	12	8	22	14
Do not trust at all	4	4	6	3	8	6	5	8	6	7	4	0	9	6
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST VERY MUCH/AT ALL	17	17	14	16	23	19	10	24	21	23	16	8	31	20
Not sure	6	5	4	6	12	16	8	6	5	5	6	30	5	6

Civil servants

Trust a lot	5	5	7	6	10	4	4	5	4	4	6	4	3	6
Trust a fair amount	40	41	46	41	30	33	34	36	37	37	42	24	37	40
TOTAL TRUST A LOT/A FAIR AMOUNT	45	46	53	47	40	37	38	41	41	41	48	28	40	46
Do not trust very much	28	29	24	28	23	28	10	28	32	31	27	20	23	25
Do not trust at all	12	12	16	9	12	12	17	18	17	17	11	0	17	13
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST VERY MUCH/AT ALL	40	41	40	37	35	40	27	46	49	48	38	20	40	38
Not sure	14	13	7	17	25	23	35	13	11	12	15	52	20	15

Doctors

Trust a lot	31	31	33	32	30	27	49	29	30	30	32	38	24	30
Trust a fair amount	51	52	56	47	38	42	30	46	52	50	52	32	42	47
TOTAL TRUST A LOT/A FAIR AMOUNT	82	83	89	79	68	69	79	75	82	80	84	70	66	77
Do not trust very much	11	11	6	12	16	11	13	17	12	14	10	0	22	13
Do not trust at all	3	2	5	3	4	5	0	4	3	4	2	0	6	5
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST VERY MUCH/AT ALL	14	13	11	15	20	16	13	21	15	18	12	0	28	18
Not sure	4	3	1	5	12	15	8	3	3	3	4	30	6	5

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Lawyers

Trust a lot	6	6	7	10	7	5	6	6	7	6	6	5	7	5	6	7	6	6	5
Trust a fair amount	44	44	48	56	53	39	49	40	39	43	45	48	47	41	42	44	47	43	45
TOTAL TRUST A LOT/A FAIR AMOUNT	50	50	55	66	60	44	55	46	46	49	51	53	54	46	48	51	53	49	50
Do not trust very much	30	31	29	27	28	33	27	32	26	30	31	31	29	30	31	31	28	29	31
Do not trust at all	11	14	7	4	5	16	7	15	7	11	12	11	9	13	9	11	9	13	11
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST VERY MUCH/AT ALL	41	45	36	31	33	49	34	47	33	41	43	42	38	43	40	42	37	42	42
Not sure	9	5	9	4	6	7	10	6	21	10	6	5	7	11	12	7	9	10	9

Police officers

Trust a lot	13	16	11	14	13	14	13	13	8	12	14	14	14	12	13	12	14	12	11
Trust a fair amount	50	54	48	60	54	50	53	48	35	49	52	56	52	47	43	52	53	48	49
TOTAL TRUST A LOT/A FAIR AMOUNT	63	70	59	74	67	64	66	61	43	61	66	70	66	59	56	64	67	60	60
Do not trust very much	22	19	25	20	21	21	22	22	28	21	21	21	21	22	24	22	22	20	22
Do not trust at all	11	8	11	4	8	11	8	13	15	12	11	6	9	13	13	10	8	13	12
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST VERY MUCH/AT ALL	33	27	36	24	29	32	30	35	43	33	32	27	30	35	37	32	30	33	34
Not sure	5	3	5	2	4	3	5	4	13	6	3	3	4	6	7	4	4	6	6

In recent years, would you say your level of trust in judges and the courts has gone up, down, or stayed much the same?

Gone up	2	2	3	3	3	2	2	3	2	3	2	1	3	1	3	2	3	2	2
Gone down	31	39	25	20	22	43	30	31	26	25	33	42	28	34	22	32	30	34	32
Stayed much the same	58	55	62	72	70	49	59	57	46	61	61	53	62	52	63	58	57	55	58
Don't know	9	4	10	5	6	6	9	8	26	11	5	3	7	12	12	7	10	10	9

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Lawyers															
Trust a lot		6	6	6	5	3	7	0	7	5	6	6	0	4	5
Trust a fair amount		44	45	49	40	33	33	45	43	41	42	45	29	34	40
TOTAL TRUST A LOT/A FAIR AMOUNT		50	51	55	45	36	40	45	50	46	48	51	29	38	45
Do not trust very much		30	30	23	33	42	30	21	28	35	33	29	15	32	31
Do not trust at all		11	11	16	8	5	11	10	14	12	13	10	10	16	12
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST VERY MUCH/AT ALL		41	41	39	41	47	41	31	42	47	46	39	25	48	43
Not sure		9	8	7	13	16	18	24	8	6	7	10	46	14	11
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Trust a fair amount		50	52	44	37	34	39	37	44	48	47	51	10	35	38
TOTAL TRUST A LOT/A FAIR AMOUNT		63	66	53	45	45	45	63	57	60	59	64	29	41	47
Do not trust very much		22	21	23	30	20	23	18	24	23	23	21	18	29	26
Do not trust at all		11	9	21	20	23	16	12	15	14	14	9	15	23	21
TOTAL DO NOT TRUST VERY MUCH/AT ALL		33	30	44	50	43	39	30	39	37	37	30	33	52	47
Not sure		5	4	3	5	12	17	8	3	4	4	6	39	7	6
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Gone down		31	31	29	30	26	29	45	41	41	41	27	24	40	31
Stayed much the same		58	58	64	56	55	43	29	49	51	51	60	28	45	56
Don't know		9	8	6	11	19	25	26	6	6	6	10	44	12	11

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In the previous question you said your level of trust in judges and the courts had gone UP in recent years. Why is that? Tick all that apply.

[Only asked to those who said their trust in judges and the courts has gone UP; n=92]

They stand up to the Government	42	18	52	60	52	18	39	45	53	41	46	37	47	30	41	55	28	39	54
They've kept delivering justice in difficult times e.g. throughout covid and underfunding	42	47	42	63	56	35	39	45	24	36	67	41	47	28	45	47	32	36	66
They have made the right decisions in some important cases	40	30	50	69	50	29	40	39	45	31	47	59	40	40	32	42	43	42	30
They normally come to right and sensible decisions	39	46	22	70	43	37	37	41	29	35	49	50	40	38	19	43	51	38	34
They are doing a good job upholding the rule of law	37	46	37	33	52	28	32	40	37	32	54	30	41	25	44	47	20	37	42
They protect ordinary people against the establishment	29	19	27	60	38	18	22	33	10	32	35	20	29	30	26	33	23	29	43
I did jury service and I liked what I saw	9	10	12	0	5	17	7	11	0	9	13	10	7	15	0	8	12	16	10
I or a relative have had a good experience in the court system	8	12	6	0	5	10	8	7	26	9	0	5	8	7	13	6	7	11	0
They are taking steps to become more representative	6	0	9	10	9	2	8	5	0	4	21	0	7	3	8	10	4	0	13
I work in it and see it every day	6	13	6	0	4	11	10	4	0	4	20	0	8	0	6	7	11	0	0
Other	7	0	9	10	6	3	6	8	0	10	0	10	7	7	14	10	0	4	14
Don't know	4	0	5	11	3	4	2	5	0	6	0	0	0	12	4	5	6	0	0

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They stand up to the Government	42	38	100	86	0	27	0	47	43	45	41	0	0	69
They've kept delivering justice in difficult times e.g. throughout covid and underfunding	42	44	48	37	0	14	0	32	35	34	46	0	0	31
They have made the right decisions in some important cases	40	40	23	37	0	41	0	34	45	39	40	0	27	30
They normally come to right and sensible decisions	39	39	52	67	0	14	0	38	43	40	39	0	27	53
They are doing a good job upholding the rule of law	37	37	77	18	0	27	0	18	42	30	40	0	0	32
They protect ordinary people against the establishment	29	31	20	0	0	28	0	32	22	27	29	100	0	6
I did jury service and I liked what I saw	9	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	7	10	0	0	0
I or a relative have had a good experience in the court system	8	8	0	0	0	14	0	28	0	14	5	0	100	24
They are taking steps to become more representative	6	6	0	0	0	14	0	0	12	6	6	0	0	0
I work in it and see it every day	6	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	6	6	0	0	0
Other	7	5	0	14	0	37	0	0	11	6	8	0	0	6
Don't know	4	3	0	0	0	21	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0

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In the previous question you said your level of trust in judges and the courts had gone DOWN in recent years. Why is that? Tick all that apply

[Only asked to those who said their trust in judges and the courts has gone DOWN; n=1488]

They are too soft on people who break the law	62	78	42	58	44	76	61	64	39	54	67	75	60	65	46	61	67	66	57
They are out of touch with ordinary people	55	60	55	53	51	60	53	57	35	47	61	64	52	57	49	53	58	56	58
They have made the wrong decisions in some important cases	48	48	45	50	41	50	52	44	47	46	47	51	49	47	38	47	46	50	58
They're too slow and bureaucratic	37	43	34	34	32	40	36	38	34	29	39	44	38	35	35	39	37	33	39
They protect the establishment	36	31	45	34	39	34	33	38	39	36	41	32	35	37	45	33	37	34	44
There is not enough funding or legal aid for ordinary people	30	23	47	43	42	26	38	23	33	27	33	31	32	29	24	31	30	30	33
They aren't representative	28	25	39	33	34	26	28	28	26	25	31	29	29	27	34	27	29	26	29
They're underfunded	12	7	21	22	21	7	13	11	19	12	11	10	15	8	19	13	10	9	8
They're biased against people like me	11	8	16	8	11	9	10	11	20	13	11	6	10	12	12	8	13	12	12
They are racist or make racist decisions	10	2	19	5	15	3	11	8	29	13	6	3	11	9	16	8	10	9	14
I or a friend or relative has had a bad experience in the court system	10	6	13	3	11	7	10	10	16	14	8	5	8	12	17	9	9	9	11
I did jury service and I didn't like what I saw	4	4	7	5	5	4	3	5	3	4	5	3	5	3	9	2	3	5	5
I work in it and see it every day	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	9	3	1	0	3	1	1	3	1	2	1
Other	3	3	3	4	4	3	3	3	5	3	4	2	4	3	2	4	2	2	6
Don't know	2	0	1	0	2	1	2	1	3	3	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	2	1

What, if anything, could the legal system do to improve the level of trust you have in judges?
[See Sheet1]

How well or badly do you think most judges understand the life experiences of people like you?

Very well	2	2	1	1	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	1	2	1	2	2	2	1	1
Fairly well	23	24	22	32	28	19	23	23	23	21	23	24	27	16	25	24	23	20	20
TOTAL WELL	25	26	23	33	29	21	24	25	24	23	24	25	29	17	27	26	25	21	21
Fairly badly	36	39	38	37	37	39	36	37	33	33	38	41	36	36	33	37	36	36	38
Very badly	17	18	17	7	12	23	15	19	9	16	22	18	13	22	14	15	16	22	20
TOTAL BADLY	53	57	55	44	49	62	51	56	42	49	60	59	49	58	47	52	52	58	58
Don't know	23	17	22	22	22	17	24	20	34	28	15	15	21	24	26	21	23	22	22

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In the previous question you said your level of trust in judges and the courts had gone DOWN in recent years. Why is that? Tick all that apply

[Only asked to those who said their trust in judges and the courts has gone DOWN; n=1488]

They are too soft on people who break the law	62	65	46	36	29	50	90	60	61	61	63	0	44	42
They are out of touch with ordinary people	55	56	47	56	60	43	44	57	55	56	54	0	50	53
They have made the wrong decisions in some important cases	48	48	49	45	43	44	62	47	52	51	47	0	49	46
They're too slow and bureaucratic	37	36	48	41	40	29	64	41	36	38	36	0	26	40
They protect the establishment	36	35	41	52	36	48	0	38	37	37	36	0	39	43
There is not enough funding or legal aid for ordinary people	30	29	33	53	30	23	52	41	34	36	27	23	24	37
They aren't representative	28	28	33	37	33	23	18	34	27	29	27	0	28	33
They're underfunded	12	10	24	22	20	11	16	16	10	12	11	23	4	18
They're biased against people like me	11	10	7	22	18	20	28	17	12	14	10	0	18	15
They are racist or make racist decisions	10	7	15	45	17	13	0	14	7	10	10	0	16	24
I or a friend or relative has had a bad experience in the court system	10	10	7	20	13	4	16	13	10	11	9	0	11	12
I did jury service and I didn't like what I saw	4	4	5	1	5	6	0	5	3	4	4	0	8	4
I work in it and see it every day	2	2	3	0	12	2	0	1	1	1	2	0	2	2
Other	3	3	7	1	9	6	10	4	3	3	3	77	12	7
Don't know	2	1	0	5	0	5	0	3	2	2	1	0	3	3

What, if anything, could the legal system do to improve the level of trust you have in judges?

[See Sheet1]

How well or badly do you think most judges understand the life experiences of people like you?

Very well	2	2	2	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	2	5	1	1
Fairly well	23	23	23	19	15	17	26	18	20	20	24	20	19	20
TOTAL WELL	25	25	25	19	16	18	26	19	21	21	26	25	20	21
Fairly badly	36	37	37	35	28	26	21	36	43	40	35	14	36	34
Very badly	17	17	16	20	24	19	20	29	19	22	15	0	23	20
TOTAL BADLY	53	54	53	55	52	45	41	65	62	62	50	14	59	54
Don't know	23	21	22	26	32	37	33	15	17	16	25	62	21	26