

YouGov Survey Results

Sample Size: 3466 adults in GB
Fieldwork: 16th - 18th November 2021

	Vote in 2019 GE				EU Ref 2016		Gender		Age				Social Grade		Region				
	Total	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Remain	Leave	Male	Female	18-24	25-49	50-64	65+	ABC1	C2DE	London	Rest of South	Midlands / Wales	North	Scotland
Weighted Sample	3466	1175	860	312	1286	1373	1684	1782	378	1445	835	808	1976	1490	416	1165	752	835	298
Unweighted Sample	3466	1228	891	326	1453	1396	1497	1969	285	1350	862	969	2129	1337	349	1210	769	831	307
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Which of the following, if any, best describes your experience of accessing healthcare services during the coronavirus pandemic?

During the pandemic, I have found it difficult to access the healthcare services I need through the NHS	31	34	31	24	28	35	27	34	21	30	34	33	29	33	28	30	33	31	29
During the pandemic, I have been able to access the healthcare I need through the NHS	33	31	36	44	41	29	31	34	28	32	33	36	36	28	33	34	29	33	33
During the pandemic, I have not needed to access healthcare services	31	32	29	29	28	33	35	27	36	29	32	30	30	32	30	30	33	30	33
Can't remember	6	3	4	3	3	3	6	5	15	8	2	1	5	7	10	5	6	5	4

You previously said that you found it difficult to access the healthcare services you needed through the NHS during the coronavirus pandemic.

Did you consider accessing private healthcare instead?

[Asked to those who said during the pandemic they found it difficult to access healthcare services they need through the NHS; n=1095]

I considered private healthcare, but decided against it	26	28	23	26	28	23	25	27	40	28	22	22	31	21	29	30	25	22	22
I did access private healthcare	12	13	14	12	14	10	13	11	12	12	10	15	16	7	18	14	13	8	6
I did not consider accessing private healthcare	59	57	61	56	56	64	59	60	45	56	65	63	51	69	48	54	57	70	71
Don't know	3	2	2	5	2	2	4	2	3	4	2	1	2	4	5	2	5	1	1

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Patients in England have the right to start treatment for non-emergency conditions within a maximum of 18 weeks of a GP referral according to the NHS Constitution.

The proportion of patients unable to start treatment within 18 weeks of referral has increased because of the pandemic.

Imagine you needed treatment, and knew that you would have to wait longer than 18 weeks from referral to begin treatment. Which of the following, if any, best describes what you would do in this situation?

I would wait to receive treatment with the NHS, because I cannot afford private healthcare	59	58	61	53	55	63	55	63	51	59	61	60	53	67	49	59	61	63	56
I would wait to receive treatment with the NHS, because I do not approve of private healthcare	10	7	16	12	14	8	12	8	10	8	12	12	11	8	12	9	9	10	13
I would arrange private healthcare	17	23	12	21	18	18	17	16	16	18	15	17	22	10	20	18	18	14	15
Don't know	14	12	12	13	13	11	16	13	23	15	12	11	14	15	19	14	12	13	16