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METHODOLOGY NOTE

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SUMMARY TABLE

Base: All respondents

	Total	Strongly support	Tend to support	Tend to oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know	No response	Net: Support	Net: Oppose	Mean
Synchronising rail services to and from airports with airline arrival times, so that all passengers have the option of using rail to continue their journey, no matter how early or late they arrive	150 100%	53 35%	76 50%	8 5%	1 1%	13 8%	- -	128 86%	9 6%	3.3
Making it easier for visitors from high-spending countries to obtain a visa to the UK	150 100%	29 20%	77 52%	19 13%	5 3%	19 13%	- -	107 71%	24 16%	3.0
Applying the same rates of Air Passenger Duty (APD) across the whole of the UK, in the event of the Scottish Government reducing the tax in Scotland by 50%	150 100%	39 26%	51 34%	24 16%	9 6%	27 18%	- -	90 60%	33 22%	3.0
Lowering visa costs for all inbound tourists, to ensure the UK remains a competitive hub for tourism	150 100%	21 14%	69 46%	34 22%	6 4%	18 12%	1 1%	90 60%	40 27%	2.8
Making it cheaper for visitors from high-spending countries to obtain a visa to the UK	150 100%	18 12%	59 40%	46 30%	9 6%	18 12%	- -	78 52%	55 36%	2.7

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Weighted Total	150	76	54	13	7	117	14	19	19	30	33	35	15	37	98	32	45	37	36	14	17	14	19	49	36	114	36	117	33
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Strongly support	(4) 29	12	12	4	1	23	2	5	4	3	8	7	2	7	20	4	9	9	7	2	6	3	3	7	9	21	9	25	5
	20%	16%	22%	33%	12%	19%	11%	27%	22%	11%	25%	20%	15%	20%	20%	14%	19%	25%	21%	16%	33%	21%	15%	14%	24%	18%	24%	21%	13%
Tend to support	(3) 77	45	22	6	5	56	11	10	8	18	16	13	10	19	48	16	22	19	20	8	9	7	11	31	12	65	12	59	18
	52%	59%	41%	44%	63%	48%	83%	53%	44%	61%	49%	38%	68%	52%	49%	49%	50%	50%	57%	53%	49%	49%	59%	62%	34%	57%	34%	51%	55%
Tend to oppose	(2) 19	7	10	2	-	16	1	2	4	2	4	6	-	7	12	5	7	4	4	3	2	2	2	2	9	10	9	14	5
	13%	9%	19%	17%	-	14%	6%	11%	22%	7%	13%	16%	-	18%	13%	16%	15%	10%	10%	20%	9%	15%	9%	4%	24%	9%	24%	12%	16%
Strongly oppose	(1) 5	3	2	-	-	5	-	-	-	1	-	4	1	2	2	1	3	1	-	1	1	1	-	1	1	4	1	4	2
	3%	4%	5%	-	-	4%	-	-	-	4%	-	11%	5%	6%	2%	4%	6%	2%	-	6%	5%	9%	-	3%	2%	4%	2%	3%	5%
Don't know	19	9	7	1	2	17	-	2	2	5	4	6	2	1	16	5	4	5	4	1	1	1	3	8	5	14	5	15	4
	13%	12%	13%	6%	25%	15%	-	8%	12%	17%	13%	16%	11%	4%	16%	17%	10%	13%	12%	5%	4%	6%	17%	16%	15%	12%	15%	13%	11%
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Net: Support	107	57	34	10	6	78	13	15	13	21	24	20	13	26	68	20	31	28	28	10	14	10	14	38	21	86	21	84	23
	71%	75%	63%	78%	75%	67%	94%	80%	66%	72%	73%	57%	83%	72%	69%	63%	69%	75%	78%	69%	82%	70%	74%	76%	58%	75%	58%	72%	68%
Net: Oppose	24	10	13	2	-	21	1	2	4	3	4	9	1	9	15	7	10	4	4	4	2	3	2	4	10	15	10	17	7
	16%	13%	24%	17%	-	18%	6%	11%	22%	11%	13%	27%	5%	24%	15%	21%	22%	12%	10%	25%	14%	24%	9%	7%	27%	13%	27%	15%	20%
Mean score	3.0	3.0	2.9	3.2	3.2	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.0	2.9	3.1	2.8	3.0	2.9	3.0	2.9	2.9	3.1	3.1	2.8	3.2	2.9	3.1	3.0	2.9	3.0	2.9	3.0	2.9

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Strongly support	(4)	18	7	8	3	1	13	2	4	3	3	3	4	2	4	12	3	4	7	5	2	4	-	3	4	5	13	5	18	1	
		12%	9%	15%	22%	12%	11%	11%	20%	15%	11%	9%	11%	15%	11%	12%	9%	8%	19%	14%	16%	24%	-	15%	8%	14%	12%	14%	15%	2%	
Tend to support	(3)	59	38	14	4	4	44	8	7	6	17	15	7	9	17	33	8	19	12	20	7	7	7	5	20	14	46	14	46	14	
		40%	50%	27%	28%	51%	38%	60%	37%	29%	56%	44%	20%	63%	47%	33%	26%	43%	33%	56%	47%	42%	48%	27%	40%	38%	40%	38%	39%	41%	
Tend to oppose	(2)	46	19	20	5	2	36	4	6	9	5	10	13	2	10	34	16	14	11	5	4	4	6	8	12	12	34	12	33	13	
		30%	25%	36%	39%	25%	31%	29%	31%	45%	15%	31%	36%	11%	27%	35%	49%	31%	29%	14%	25%	25%	43%	45%	24%	32%	30%	32%	28%	38%	
Strongly oppose	(1)	9	4	5	-	-	9	-	-	-	1	1	7	2	3	4	2	3	2	2	2	-	1	1	4	1	8	1	7	2	
		6%	5%	9%	-	-	8%	-	-	-	4%	2%	20%	11%	8%	5%	7%	6%	6%	5%	11%	-	9%	4%	9%	2%	7%	2%	6%	5%	
Don't know		18	8	7	1	1	15	-	2	2	4	4	5	-	2	15	3	5	5	4	-	2	-	2	9	5	13	5	13	5	
		12%	11%	13%	11%	12%	13%	-	12%	13%	13%	13%	-	6%	16%	9%	12%	13%	12%	-	9%	-	9%	19%	14%	11%	14%	11%	14%	11%	14%
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Net: Support		78	45	22	6	5	57	10	11	8	20	18	11	12	21	45	11	23	19	25	9	11	7	8	24	19	59	19	63	15	
		52%	59%	41%	50%	63%	49%	71%	57%	44%	67%	53%	31%	78%	59%	45%	34%	51%	51%	70%	64%	66%	48%	42%	48%	52%	52%	52%	54%	43%	
Net: Oppose		55	23	24	5	2	45	4	6	9	6	11	19	3	13	38	18	17	13	6	5	4	7	9	16	12	42	12	40	14	
		36%	31%	46%	39%	25%	38%	29%	31%	45%	20%	33%	55%	22%	35%	39%	56%	38%	35%	18%	36%	25%	52%	49%	33%	34%	37%	34%	35%	43%	
Mean score		2.7	2.7	2.5	2.8	2.9	2.6	2.8	2.9	2.7	2.9	2.7	2.3	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.4	2.6	2.7	2.9	2.7	3.0	2.4	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.5	

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Unweighted Total	150	56	68	18	8	111	14	25	22	24	28	37	15	39	96	32	44	39	35	15	18	15	19	44	39	111	39	113	37	
Weighted Total	150	76	54	13	7	117	14	19	19	30	33	35	15	37	98	32	45	37	36	14	17	14	19	49	36	114	36	117	33	
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
Strongly support	(4)	21	8	9	3	1	16	1	4	3	2	5	6	2	2	16	4	6	8	4	2	3	1	3	6	6	14	6	18	3
		14%	11%	16%	22%	12%	14%	6%	20%	15%	7%	16%	17%	15%	6%	17%	11%	13%	21%	10%	11%	17%	6%	15%	12%	18%	12%	18%	15%	9%
Tend to support	(3)	69	37	23	7	3	51	8	10	11	14	15	12	8	20	41	13	21	18	18	7	8	7	10	20	17	52	17	47	22
		46%	48%	43%	56%	38%	44%	60%	51%	55%	48%	44%	34%	54%	55%	42%	40%	46%	47%	51%	47%	47%	52%	52%	41%	48%	46%	48%	41%	66%
Tend to oppose	(2)	34	19	10	1	3	26	3	4	3	7	9	8	-	9	24	9	14	4	7	3	4	4	5	12	6	28	6	30	4
		22%	25%	19%	11%	37%	22%	23%	22%	15%	24%	26%	21%	-	25%	25%	27%	31%	10%	20%	20%	25%	27%	24%	25%	16%	24%	16%	25%	11%
Strongly oppose	(1)	6	4	2	-	-	6	1	-	-	3	-	3	3	1	2	1	1	2	2	2	1	1	-	2	-	6	-	6	-
		4%	5%	5%	-	-	5%	6%	-	-	9%	-	9%	19%	4%	2%	2%	3%	6%	6%	11%	7%	9%	-	5%	-	6%	-	6%	-
Don't know		18	8	9	1	1	17	1	1	2	4	4	6	2	2	14	6	4	6	4	2	1	1	2	9	5	13	5	15	4
		12%	11%	16%	6%	12%	14%	6%	4%	12%	13%	13%	18%	11%	6%	15%	17%	8%	16%	10%	11%	4%	6%	9%	18%	14%	12%	14%	13%	11%
No response		1	-	1	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	1	1
		1%	-	1%	6%	-	1%	-	4%	4%	-	-	-	-	4%	-	2%	-	-	2%	-	-	-	-	4%	-	4%	1%	2%	
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Net: Support		90	45	31	10	4	67	9	14	13	16	20	18	10	22	57	16	26	26	22	8	11	8	13	26	24	66	24	65	25
		60%	59%	59%	78%	51%	58%	66%	71%	70%	54%	60%	52%	69%	61%	58%	51%	58%	68%	62%	58%	63%	57%	67%	53%	66%	58%	66%	56%	75%
Net: Oppose		40	23	13	1	3	32	4	4	3	10	9	11	3	10	27	9	15	6	9	4	6	5	5	14	6	34	6	36	4
		27%	30%	24%	11%	37%	27%	29%	22%	15%	33%	26%	30%	19%	29%	27%	29%	34%	16%	26%	31%	32%	36%	24%	29%	16%	30%	16%	31%	11%
Mean score		2.8	2.7	2.9	3.1	2.7	2.8	2.7	3.0	3.0	2.6	2.9	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.9	2.7	2.7	3.0	2.8	2.7	2.8	2.6	2.9	2.7	3.0	2.7	3.0	2.8	3.0

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	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Strongly support	(4) 53	18	24	9	2	37	4	12	7	3	15	12	4	11	38	15	15	17	7	5	2	6	6	18	16	37	16	40	12
	35%	24%	44%	72%	25%	32%	27%	62%	37%	11%	45%	34%	25%	30%	39%	46%	32%	45%	20%	32%	13%	40%	32%	38%	43%	33%	43%	35%	37%
Tend to support	(3) 76	44	24	3	6	62	7	6	8	19	17	19	9	23	44	15	27	12	22	8	13	6	12	20	17	58	17	57	18
	50%	57%	44%	22%	75%	53%	51%	34%	42%	63%	50%	53%	57%	63%	45%	47%	59%	31%	63%	53%	75%	39%	64%	41%	47%	51%	47%	49%	54%
Tend to oppose	(2) 8	4	3	1	-	6	2	1	2	1	1	1	-	1	7	1	1	4	1	-	-	3	1	4	1	7	1	7	1
	5%	5%	6%	6%	-	5%	11%	4%	11%	4%	4%	2%	-	2%	7%	2%	3%	12%	4%	-	-	20%	4%	7%	2%	6%	2%	6%	4%
Strongly oppose	(1) 1	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
	1%	2%	-	-	-	1%	-	-	-	4%	-	-	9%	-	-	-	-	-	4%	-	7%	-	-	-	-	1%	-	1%	-
Don't know	13	9	3	-	-	11	1	-	2	5	-	4	1	2	10	1	3	5	4	2	1	-	-	7	3	10	3	11	2
	8%	12%	6%	-	-	9%	10%	-	11%	17%	-	11%	9%	4%	10%	4%	6%	13%	10%	15%	4%	-	-	14%	8%	9%	8%	9%	5%
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Net: Support	128	62	47	12	7	99	11	18	15	22	31	30	12	34	82	30	41	28	29	12	15	11	18	39	33	96	33	98	31
	86%	81%	88%	94%	100%	85%	78%	96%	79%	74%	96%	87%	83%	93%	83%	93%	91%	75%	82%	85%	88%	80%	96%	79%	91%	84%	91%	84%	91%
Net: Oppose	9	5	3	1	-	7	2	1	2	3	1	1	1	1	7	1	1	4	3	-	1	3	1	4	1	8	1	8	1
	6%	7%	6%	6%	-	6%	11%	4%	11%	9%	4%	2%	9%	2%	7%	2%	3%	12%	7%	-	7%	20%	4%	7%	2%	7%	2%	7%	4%
Mean score	3.3	3.2	3.4	3.7	3.2	3.3	3.2	3.6	3.3	3.0	3.4	3.4	3.1	3.3	3.3	3.5	3.3	3.4	3.1	3.4	3.0	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.4	3.3	3.3

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	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Strongly support	(4)	39	18	15	3	4	30	3	6	6	5	6	13	3	9	27	9	7	16	8	4	5	-	7	16	8	31	8	32	7
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Tend to oppose	(2)	24	12	7	4	1	18	3	4	-	6	8	3	1	5	18	4	11	3	6	4	-	3	3	8	6	18	6	18	6
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Strongly oppose	(1)	9	3	2	4	-	4	1	4	1	1	-	1	1	4	4	3	1	2	2	1	2	1	-	1	4	5	4	6	2
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Net: Oppose		33	15	9	7	1	22	3	7	1	8	8	4	2	9	22	7	12	5	8	4	2	4	3	10	9	23	9	24	9
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