

# Post–Brexit freedom of movement

## METHODOLOGY NOTE

ComRes interviewed 2,017 respondents online, between 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> August 2016. Data were weighted to be representative of Great Britain. ComRes is a member of the British Polling Council and abides by its rules.

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