

## Detention Action – Immigration Detention Poll – March 2019

Methodology: ComRes surveyed 2,090 UK adults online between 8<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> March 2019. Data were weighted to be representative of all UK adults aged 18+. ComRes is a member of the British Polling Council and abides by its rules. Full tables at [www.comresglobal.com](http://www.comresglobal.com)

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## Immigration Detention Survey

### ONLINE Fieldwork: 8th-10th March 2019

Absolutes/col percents

Table 1

**Q.1 “Immigration detention” is the practice of holding people who are subject to immigration controls in detention centres in order to examine their immigration status or effect removal from the country. This currently affects approximately 25,000 people every year in the UK. Unlike any other European country, there is currently no time limit on immigration detention in the UK, and 56% of detainees are eventually released back into the community. Parliament is currently debating whether or not to change this law to introduce a time limit.**

**In light of this to what extent, if at all, do you agree or disagree with the following?**

#### Summary

**Base: All respondents**

	Statements			
	Indefinite detention with no time limit should stay as it is	Immigration detention should be allowed but with a strict time limit on the length of detention	Immigration detention should be scrapped altogether and replaced with community support schemes that manage immigration cases without the need for detention	NET: Those who want change to indefinite detention
Unweighted base	2090	2090	2090	2090
Weighted base	2090	2090	2090	2090
NET: Agree	630 30%	964 46%	450 22%	1170 56%
Strongly agree (+2)	329 16%	244 12%	165 8%	378 18%
Tend to agree (+1)	301 14%	720 34%	284 14%	792 38%
Neither agree nor disagree (0)	346 17%	386 18%	383 18%	333 16%
Tend to disagree (-1)	416 20%	261 12%	416 20%	203 10%
Strongly disagree (-2)	455 22%	256 12%	571 27%	217 10%
NET: Disagree	871 42%	517 25%	988 47%	420 20%
Don't know	242 12%	224 11%	269 13%	166 8%
Mean	-0.20	0.23	-0.52	0.47
Standard deviation	1.43	1.24	1.32	1.24
Standard error	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03

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**Indefinite detention with no time limit should stay as it is**

**Base: All respondents**

	Gender			Age									Social Grade				Employment Sector	
	Total	Male (a)	Female (b)	18-24 (c)	25-34 (d)	35-44 (e)	45-54 (f)	55-64 (g)	65+ (h)	18-34 (i)	35-54 (j)	55+ (k)	AB (l)	C1 (m)	C2 (n)	DE (o)	Public (p)	Pri- vate (q)
Unweighted base	2090	973	1117	210	311	342	397	331	499	521	739	830	610	595	373	512	341	816
Weighted base	2090	1020	1070	232	361	334	370	309	483	593	704	793	571	587	424	508	358	848
NET: Agree	630 30%	374 37%B	256 24%	42 18%	91 25% <sub>c</sub>	78 23%	128 34% <sub>CDE</sub>	104 33% <sub>CDE</sub>	188 39% <sub>CDE</sub>	133 22%	206 29% <sub>d</sub>	292 37% <sub>d</sub>	171 30%	154 26%	160 38% <sub>LMO</sub>	144 28%	114 32%	251 30%
Strongly agree	(+2) 329 16%	214 21%B	116 11%	11 5%	45 12% <sub>C</sub>	38 11% <sub>C</sub>	58 16% <sub>C</sub>	60 19% <sub>CDE</sub>	117 24% <sub>CDEF</sub>	56 9%	96 14% <sub>d</sub>	177 22% <sub>d</sub>	92 16% <sub>m</sub>	73 12%	85 20% <sub>M</sub>	79 16%	53 15%	131 15%
Tend to agree	(+1) 301 14%	161 16%	140 13%	30 13%	46 13%	40 12%	69 19% <sub>cDE</sub>	44 14%	71 15%	76 13%	110 16%	115 14%	79 14%	81 14%	75 18% <sub>o</sub>	65 13%	61 17%	120 14%
Neither agree nor disagree	(0) 346 17%	153 15%	193 18% <sub>a</sub>	51 22% <sub>dH</sub>	57 16%	62 19% <sub>h</sub>	60 16%	52 17%	65 13%	108 18%	122 17%	116 15%	88 15%	90 15%	75 18%	93 18%	60 17%	158 19%
Tend to disagree	(-1) 416 20%	186 18%	230 21% <sub>a</sub>	51 22% <sub>d</sub>	55 15%	59 18%	69 19%	71 23% <sub>D</sub>	112 23% <sub>De</sub>	106 18%	128 18%	182 23% <sub>d</sub>	126 22% <sub>n</sub>	125 21%	74 17%	92 18%	56 16%	156 18%
Strongly disagree	(-2) 455 22%	229 22%	226 21%	50 22%	100 28% <sub>FGH</sub>	81 24% <sub>gh</sub>	76 21%	57 18%	91 19%	150 25% <sub>k</sub>	157 22% <sub>k</sub>	148 19%	134 23% <sub>N</sub>	148 25% <sub>No</sub>	70 16%	104 20%	83 23%	187 22%
NET: Disagree	871 42%	415 41%	456 43%	101 43%	155 43%	140 42%	145 39%	128 41%	203 42%	256 43%	285 40%	330 42%	260 46% <sub>NO</sub>	272 46% <sub>NO</sub>	143 34%	195 38%	139 39%	343 40%
Don't know	242 12%	76 8%	166 16% <sub>A</sub>	39 17% <sub>FGH</sub>	58 16% <sub>FGH</sub>	54 16% <sub>FGH</sub>	37 10% <sub>H</sub>	26 9%	28 6%	97 16% <sub>k</sub>	91 13% <sub>k</sub>	54 7%	51 9%	71 12% <sub>d</sub>	45 11%	75 15% <sub>Ln</sub>	45 13%	97 11%
Mean	-0.20	-0.06 <sub>B</sub>	-0.34	-0.51	-0.39	-0.37	-0.11 <sub>CDE</sub>	-0.07 <sub>CDE</sub>	0.02 <sub>CDE</sub>	-0.44	-0.23 <sub>I</sub>	-0.01 <sub>IJ</sub>	-0.25	-0.37	0.09 <sub>LMO</sub>	-0.17 <sub>M</sub>	-0.18	-0.20
Standard deviation	1.43	1.50	1.34	1.20	1.45	1.38	1.42	1.44	1.49	1.36	1.41	1.47	1.44	1.40	1.42	1.42	1.44	1.42
Standard error	0.03	0.05	0.04	0.09	0.09	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.07	0.07	0.06	0.05	0.06	0.06	0.08	0.07	0.08	0.05

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## Immigration Detention Survey

### ONLINE Fieldwork: 8th-10th March 2019

Absolutes/col percents

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**Indefinite detention with no time limit should stay as it is**

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	Region													
	Total	Scotland (a)	Wales (b)	North- ern Ire- land (c)	NET: England (d)	North East (e)	North West (f)	Yorkshire & Humber (g)	West Midlands (h)	East Midlands (i)	Eastern (j)	London (k)	South East (l)	South West (m)
Unweighted base	2090	145	92	62	1791	73	251	176	171	163	200	271	294	192
Weighted base	2090	176	101*	63*	1750	85*	233	170	180	148	195	274	284	180
NET: Agree	630 30%	43 24%	25 24%	9 14%	554 32%aC	30 35%C	73 31%C	53 31%C	65 36%AbCk	50 33%aC	64 33%C	76 28%C	84 30%C	60 33%aC
Strongly agree	(+2) 329 16%	24 14%	11 11%	4 6%	291 17%C	16 18%c	38 16%c	27 16%c	35 20%bC	20 13%	34 18%C	42 15%c	49 17%C	31 17%C
Tend to agree	(+1) 301 14%	19 11%	14 14%	5 8%	263 15%	14 16%	35 15%	26 15%	30 16%	30 20%ACKL	30 15%	34 12%	35 12%	29 16%
Neither agree nor disagree	(0) 346 17%	35 20%	16 15%	14 22%	282 16%	15 18%	33 14%	26 16%	38 21%lM	25 17%	33 17%	50 18%	38 13%	24 13%
Tend to disagree	(-1) 416 20%	34 19%	24 24%h	13 21%	345 20%	18 21%	39 17%	37 22%h	26 14%	27 18%	32 16%	49 18%	75 26%FHJK	43 24%fHj
Strongly disagree	(-2) 455 22%	48 27%hI	21 21%	20 32%DeGHiJLm	365 21%	15 18%	57 25%h	32 19%	31 17%	29 19%	37 19%	72 26%gHj	54 19%	38 21%
NET: Disagree	871 42%	82 46%hJ	45 45%H	33 53%dHIJ	711 41%	33 39%	97 41%H	69 41%h	56 31%	55 37%	69 35%	121 44%Hj	129 45%HU	81 45%hJ
Don't know	242 12%	17 10%	16 15%em	7 11%	203 12%	7 9%	30 13%	21 13%	21 12%	19 13%	29 15%em	27 10%	33 12%	15 8%
Mean	-0.20	-0.40	-0.37	-0.73	-0.15aC	-0.04C	-0.21C	-0.14C	0.08ABCkI	-0.11C	-0.05aCk	-0.30c	-0.20C	-0.18C
Standard deviation	1.43	1.41	1.35	1.25	1.44	1.42	1.49	1.42	1.42	1.39	1.45	1.45	1.43	1.44
Standard error	0.03	0.12	0.15	0.17	0.04	0.17	0.10	0.11	0.12	0.12	0.11	0.09	0.09	0.11

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**In light of this to what extent, if at all, do you agree or disagree with the following?**

**Immigration detention should be allowed but with a strict time limit on the length of detention**

**Base: All respondents**

	Gender			Age									Social Grade				Employment Sector	
	Total	Male (a)	Female (b)	18-24 (c)	25-34 (d)	35-44 (e)	45-54 (f)	55-64 (g)	65+ (h)	18-34 (i)	35-54 (j)	55+ (k)	AB (l)	C1 (m)	C2 (n)	DE (o)	Public (p)	Private (q)
Unweighted base	2090	973	1117	210	311	342	397	331	499	521	739	830	610	595	373	512	341	816
Weighted base	2090	1020	1070	232	361	334	370	309	483	593	704	793	571	587	424	508	358	848
NET: Agree	964 46%	444 44%	519 49%A	112 48%	170 47%	154 46%	155 42%	135 43%	238 49%F	282 48%	309 44%	372 47%	262 46%	288 49%N	177 42%	236 47%	163 45%	375 44%
Strongly agree	(+2) 244 12%	115 11%	129 12%	25 11%	50 14%F	37 11%	32 9%	37 12%	63 13%F	75 13%	69 10%	100 13%	57 10%	78 13%I	45 11%	63 12%	43 12%	95 11%
Tend to agree	(+1) 720 34%	329 32%	391 37%a	86 37%	120 33%	117 35%	123 33%	98 32%	175 36%	207 35%	240 34%	273 34%	205 36%	210 36%	131 31%	173 34%	119 33%	280 33%
Neither agree nor disagree	(0) 386 18%	184 18%	202 19%	48 21%	58 16%	65 19%	74 20%	61 20%	80 16%	106 18%	139 20%	140 18%	109 19%	100 17%	75 18%	101 20%	61 17%	175 21%
Tend to disagree	(-1) 261 12%	146 14%B	115 11%	27 12%	40 11%	34 10%	48 13%	49 16%dE	64 13%	67 11%	81 12%	113 14%	81 14%O	78 13%O	63 15%O	39 8%	49 14%	106 13%
Strongly disagree	(-2) 256 12%	164 16%B	91 9%	11 5%	45 12%Ce	25 8%	58 16%CE	43 14%CE	73 15%CE	56 9%	84 12%	116 15%I	70 12%	59 10%	64 15%M	64 13%	46 13%	100 12%
NET: Disagree	517 25%	310 30%B	207 19%	38 16%	85 23%ce	59 18%	106 29%CE	92 30%CE	137 28%CE	123 21%	165 23%	229 29%J	151 26%O	137 23%	127 30%MO	102 20%	95 26%	207 24%
Don't know	224 11%	82 8%	142 13%A	34 15%fGH	49 14%GH	56 17%FGH	34 9%h	23 7%	29 6%	83 14%K	90 13%K	51 6%	49 9%	62 11%	46 11%	68 13%L	40 11%	91 11%
Mean	0.23	0.09	0.38A	0.45FGH	0.29F	0.38FGH	0.07	0.13	0.20	0.35JK	0.21	0.17	0.19	0.33IN	0.08	0.30N	0.21	0.22
Standard deviation	1.24	1.30	1.16	1.06	1.28	1.14	1.26	1.27	1.30	1.20	1.22	1.29	1.22	1.22	1.29	1.24	1.27	1.22
Standard error	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.08	0.08	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.06	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.07	0.06	0.07	0.05

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Absolutes/col percents

Table 5

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**Immigration detention should be allowed but with a strict time limit on the length of detention**

**Base: All respondents**

	Region													
	Total	Scotland (a)	Wales (b)	North- ern Ire- land (c)	NET: England (d)	North East (e)	North West (f)	Yorkshire & Humberside (g)	West Midlands (h)	East Midlands (i)	Eastern (j)	London (k)	South East (l)	South West (m)
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Weighted base	2090	176	101*	63*	1750	85*	233	170	180	148	195	274	284	180
NET: Agree	964 46%	83 47%	52 51% <sup>h</sup>	35 56% <sup>efH</sup>	794 45%	34 40%	101 43%	84 50% <sup>h</sup>	72 40%	65 44%	85 44%	133 49% <sup>h</sup>	132 47%	88 49%
Strongly agree (+2)	244 12%	23 13% <sup>L</sup>	15 15% <sup>L</sup>	9 15% <sup>L</sup>	197 11%	10 11%	35 15% <sup>iLm</sup>	26 15% <sup>iLm</sup>	22 12% <sup>L</sup>	12 8%	19 10%	41 15% <sup>iLM</sup>	16 6%	15 9%
Tend to agree (+1)	720 34%	60 34%	37 37%	26 41% <sup>fh</sup>	597 34%	24 28%	66 28%	59 34%	49 27%	53 36%	66 34%	92 33%	116 41% <sup>eFHk</sup>	72 40% <sup>eFH</sup>
Neither agree nor disagree (0)	386 18%	37 21%	21 21%	11 17%	317 18%	16 19%	46 20%	33 20%	40 22%	28 19%	32 17%	49 18%	45 16%	27 15%
Tend to disagree (-1)	261 12%	23 13%	9 8%	6 10%	224 13%	11 13%	27 12%	21 12%	22 12%	13 9%	28 14%	37 14%	37 13%	27 15% <sup>i</sup>
Strongly disagree (-2)	256 12%	16 9%	7 7%	5 7%	229 13% <sup>b</sup>	16 18% <sup>aBcg</sup>	28 12%	17 10%	32 18% <sup>ABcgk</sup>	25 17% <sup>aBcg</sup>	26 14%	30 11%	34 12%	22 12%
NET: Disagree	517 25%	38 22%	15 15%	11 17%	452 26% <sup>B</sup>	27 31% <sup>Bc</sup>	54 23%	37 22%	54 30% <sup>Bc</sup>	38 25% <sup>b</sup>	54 28% <sup>Bc</sup>	68 25% <sup>b</sup>	71 25% <sup>b</sup>	49 27% <sup>B</sup>
Don't know	224 11%	18 10%	13 13%	7 11%	187 11%	8 10%	32 14%	15 9%	15 8%	18 12%	23 12%	24 9%	35 12%	16 9%
Mean	0.23	0.33 <sup>h</sup>	0.51 <sup>DEHJLM</sup>	0.52 <sup>dEHijm</sup>	0.20	0.02	0.27	0.36 <sup>eH</sup>	0.05	0.11	0.14	0.31 <sup>h</sup>	0.18	0.19
Standard deviation	1.24	1.18	1.12	1.14	1.26	1.34	1.28	1.22	1.32	1.28	1.26	1.26	1.18	1.22
Standard error	0.03	0.10	0.12	0.15	0.03	0.17	0.09	0.10	0.11	0.11	0.09	0.08	0.07	0.09

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**In light of this to what extent, if at all, do you agree or disagree with the following?**

**Immigration detention should be scrapped altogether and replaced with community support schemes that manage immigration cases without the need for detention**

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	Total	Gender		Age									Social Grade				Employment Sector	
		Male (a)	Female (b)	18-24 (c)	25-34 (d)	35-44 (e)	45-54 (f)	55-64 (g)	65+ (h)	18-34 (i)	35-54 (j)	55+ (k)	AB (l)	C1 (m)	C2 (n)	DE (o)	Public (p)	Private (q)
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Tend to agree (+1)	284 14%	140 14%	145 14%	55 24%dfGH	61 17%FGH	60 18%FGH	40 11%	22 7%	47 10%	116 20%JK	100 14%k	69 9%	100 17%mnNO	81 14%	49 12%	55 11%	55 15%	117 14%
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Strongly disagree (-2)	571 27%	345 34%B	226 21%	20 9%	69 19%C	70 21%C	106 29%CDE	119 38%CDEF	187 39%CDEF	89 15%	176 25%l	306 39%J	154 27%m	129 22%	140 33%lM	149 29%M	90 25%	219 26%
NET: Disagree	988 47%	522 51%B	466 44%	51 22%	135 37%C	129 38%C	189 51%CDE	187 60%CDEF	298 62%CDEF	186 31%	317 45%l	485 61%J	265 46%	261 44%	214 51%m	247 49%	152 42%	386 46%
Don't know	269 13%	100 10%	169 16%A	38 16%fGH	68 19%FGH	55 16%fGH	41 11%	28 9%	38 8%	106 18%jK	96 14%K	66 8%	62 11%	74 13%	53 12%	81 16%L	38 11%	120 14%
Mean	-0.52	-0.61	-0.43A	0.27DEFGH	-0.23FGH	-0.30FGH	-0.61GH	-0.87	-0.89	-0.03JK	-0.47K	-0.88	-0.44NO	-0.39NO	-0.66	-0.64	-0.36	-0.47
Standard deviation	1.32	1.36	1.27	1.23	1.35	1.32	1.27	1.23	1.20	1.33	1.30	1.21	1.34	1.30	1.32	1.29	1.35	1.34
Standard error	0.03	0.05	0.04	0.09	0.09	0.08	0.07	0.07	0.06	0.06	0.05	0.04	0.06	0.06	0.07	0.06	0.08	0.05

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**Base: All respondents**

	Total	Region												
		Scotland (a)	Wales (b)	North-ern Ire-land (c)	NET: England (d)	North East (e)	North West (f)	Yorkshire & Humberside (g)	West Midlands (h)	East Midlands (i)	Eastern (j)	London (k)	South East (l)	South West (m)
Unweighted base	2090	145	92	62	1791	73	251	176	171	163	200	271	294	192
Weighted base	2090	176	101*	63*	1750	85*	233	170	180	148	195	274	284	180
NET: Agree	450 22%	50 29%DFHJLm	25 24%	16 25%	359 21%	21 25%	40 17%	36 21%	33 18%	33 22%	33 17%	74 27%FhJLm	54 19%	35 20%
Strongly agree	(+2) 165 8%	17 10%	11 11%	8 13%fl	129 7%	7 8%	13 5%	10 6%	12 6%	13 9%	15 8%	29 11%fl	18 6%	13 7%
Tend to agree	(+1) 284 14%	33 19%dfJ	14 13%	8 12%	230 13%	14 17%	27 12%	26 15%gj	22 12%	20 14%	18 9%	45 16%J	36 13%	22 12%
Neither agree nor disagree	(0) 383 18%	40 22%	21 21%	11 18%	311 18%	17 20%	42 18%	36 21%	28 16%	23 16%	38 20%	53 19%	46 16%	28 15%
Tend to disagree	(-1) 416 20%	30 17%	20 20%	12 19%	354 20%	13 16%	46 20%	30 17%	30 17%	32 22%	40 21%	55 20%	70 25%gh	37 21%
Strongly disagree	(-2) 571 27%	31 17%	18 18%	13 20%	510 29%AB	27 31%Ab	69 30%AB	53 31%ABk	68 38%ABCIKL	39 27%a	61 31%ABk	64 23%	71 25%a	59 32%ABcKI
NET: Disagree	988 47%	61 35%	38 37%	24 39%	865 49%AB	40 47%	115 49%Ab	82 48%A	98 54%ABCK	72 48%A	102 52%ABck	119 43%	141 50%AB	96 53%ABck
Don't know	269 13%	25 14%	18 18%gk	11 18%g	215 12%	7 8%	36 16%gk	16 9%	21 11%	20 14%	22 11%	28 10%	43 15%g	22 12%
Mean	-0.52	-0.16DFGHIJLM	-0.24DFgHJIM	-0.25dFHjm	-0.58	-0.50	-0.67	-0.57	-0.76	-0.51	-0.67	-0.33FgHJLM	-0.58	-0.67
Standard deviation	1.32	1.30	1.32	1.40	1.31	1.36	1.26	1.29	1.32	1.34	1.29	1.35	1.26	1.32
Standard error	0.03	0.12	0.15	0.20	0.03	0.17	0.09	0.10	0.11	0.11	0.10	0.09	0.08	0.10

**Proportions/Means: Columns Tested (5%, 10% risk level) - a/d - b/d - c/d - a/b/c/e/f/g/h/i/j/k/l/m**

**\* small base**



## Immigration Detention Survey

### ONLINE Fieldwork: 8th-10th March 2019

Absolutes/col percents

Table 8

**Q.1 "Immigration detention" is the practice of holding people who are subject to immigration controls in detention centres in order to examine their immigration status or effect removal from the country. This currently affects approximately 25,000 people every year in the UK. Unlike any other European country, there is currently no time limit on immigration detention in the UK, and 56% of detainees are eventually released back into the community. Parliament is currently debating whether or not to change this law to introduce a time limit.**

**In light of this to what extent, if at all, do you agree or disagree with the following?**

**NET: Those who want change to indefinite detention**

**Base: All respondents**

	Total	Gender		Age									Social Grade				Employment Sector	
		Male (a)	Female (b)	18-24 (c)	25-34 (d)	35-44 (e)	45-54 (f)	55-64 (g)	65+ (h)	18-34 (i)	35-54 (j)	55+ (k)	AB (l)	C1 (m)	C2 (n)	DE (o)	Public (p)	Private (q)
Unweighted base	2090	973	1117	210	311	342	397	331	499	521	739	830	610	595	373	512	341	816
Weighted base	2090	1020	1070	232	361	334	370	309	483	593	704	793	571	587	424	508	358	848
NET: Agree	1170 56%	543 53%	628 59%A	149 64%FGH	215 60%FG	197 59%fg	191 52%	158 51%	261 54%	364 61%JK	388 55%	418 53%	340 60%No	352 60%NO	207 49%	272 54%	208 58%	468 55%
Strongly agree (+2)	378 18%	188 18%	191 18%	52 23%FH	84 23%FgH	59 18%	56 15%	51 17%	76 16%	136 23%JK	115 16%	127 16%	100 18%	120 20%	68 16%	90 18%	72 20%	160 19%
Tend to agree (+1)	792 38%	355 35%	437 41%A	96 42%	132 36%	137 41%	135 37%	107 34%	185 38%	228 38%	272 39%	291 37%	239 42%No	232 39%N	139 33%	182 36%	137 38%	308 36%
Neither agree nor disagree (0)	333 16%	159 16%	174 16%	46 20%D	42 12%	48 14%	65 18%D	55 18%D	77 16%	88 15%	113 16%	132 17%	82 14%	92 16%	77 18%	83 16%	53 15%	148 17%
Tend to disagree (-1)	203 10%	114 11%B	89 8%	6 3%	32 9%C	29 9%C	41 11%C	40 13%C	56 12%C	38 6%	70 10%l	95 12%l	57 10%	59 10%	50 12%O	37 7%	40 11%	76 9%
Strongly disagree (-2)	217 10%	139 14%B	77 7%	7 3%	29 8%C	23 7%c	46 12%CdE	40 13%CdE	73 15%CDE	36 6%	69 10%l	112 14%lJ	57 10%	44 8%	53 13%M	62 12%M	30 8%	85 10%
NET: Disagree	420 20%	253 25%B	167 16%	13 6%	61 17%C	52 16%C	86 23%CdE	79 26%CDE	128 27%CDE	74 12%	138 20%l	208 26%lJ	114 20%	103 18%	103 24%M	99 20%	71 20%	160 19%
Don't know	166 8%	64 6%	102 10%A	24 11%gH	42 12%fGH	38 11%fGH	27 7%H	17 6%	17 4%	67 11%k	65 9%k	35 4%	34 6%	41 7%	38 9%	54 11%LM	26 7%	71 8%
Mean	0.47	0.35	0.59A	0.88dEFGH	0.65FGH	0.61FGH	0.33	0.31	0.29	0.74JK	0.46K	0.30	0.50N	0.59No	0.31	0.44	0.54	0.49
Standard deviation	1.24	1.32	1.14	0.93	1.23	1.14	1.26	1.29	1.31	1.13	1.21	1.30	1.22	1.18	1.29	1.28	1.21	1.23
Standard error	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.07	0.06	0.07	0.05

**Proportions/Means: Columns Tested (5%, 10% risk level) - a/b - c/d/e/f/g/h - i/j/k - l/m/n/o - p/q**

## Immigration Detention Survey

### ONLINE Fieldwork: 8th-10th March 2019

Absolutes/col percents

Table 9

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**In light of this to what extent, if at all, do you agree or disagree with the following?**

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**Base: All respondents**

	Total	Region												
		Scotland (a)	Wales (b)	North-ern Ireland (c)	NET: England (d)	North East (e)	North West (f)	Yorkshire & Humberside (g)	West Midlands (h)	East Midlands (i)	Eastern (j)	London (k)	South East (l)	South West (m)
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Weighted base	2090	176	101*	63*	1750	85*	233	170	180	148	195	274	284	180
NET: Agree	1170 56%	110 62%FHij	62 61%h	44 71%DEFgHIJLM	954 55%	45 52%	119 51%	97 57%	89 49%	77 52%	99 51%	167 61%FHIJ	158 56%	105 58%
Strongly agree	(+2) 378 18%	39 22%kL	24 23%iL	17 28%DfIJLM	298 17%	16 18%	42 18%l	32 19%l	32 18%l	21 14%	30 15%	63 23%lJLM	34 12%	28 16%
Tend to agree	(+1) 792 38%	70 40%	39 38%	27 43%	656 37%	29 34%	77 33%	64 38%	57 31%	56 38%	69 36%	104 38%	124 44%FHj	76 42%fH
Neither agree nor disagree	(0) 333 16%	29 16%	19 18%	7 11%	279 16%	15 17%	46 20%l	28 16%	34 19%	22 15%	34 17%	38 14%	39 14%	24 13%
Tend to disagree	(-1) 203 10%	14 8%	5 5%	4 6%	181 10%	4 5%	20 9%	21 12%be	18 10%	14 9%	24 13%be	31 11%b	28 10%	21 11%b
Strongly disagree	(-2) 217 10%	11 6%	4 4%	2 4%	200 11%aBc	17 20%ABCGKlm	25 11%B	14 8%	28 15%ABCGK	18 12%aBc	23 12%aBc	23 8%	33 12%aBc	20 11%b
NET: Disagree	420 20%	24 14%	8 8%	6 10%	381 22%ABC	21 25%aBC	45 19%Bc	35 21%Bc	46 25%ABC	32 22%aBc	47 24%ABC	54 20%Bc	61 22%aBC	40 22%aBC
Don't know	166 8%	14 8%	12 12%k	5 9%	135 8%	5 6%	24 10%k	11 6%	12 7%	17 11%K	15 8%	15 5%	26 9%	11 6%
Mean	0.47	0.70DEFHIJLM	0.82DEFGHIJLM	0.93DEFGHIJKL M	0.42	0.28	0.43	0.50	0.28	0.37	0.33	0.59eHIJl	0.38	0.43
Standard deviation	1.24	1.12	1.02	1.03	1.26	1.40	1.25	1.21	1.34	1.27	1.26	1.23	1.22	1.24
Standard error	0.03	0.10	0.11	0.14	0.03	0.17	0.08	0.09	0.11	0.11	0.09	0.08	0.07	0.09

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