Ipsos MORI Issues Index

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Technical Note

This month's Issues Index has been conducted over the phone, a methodology change which has been in place since the April 2020 wave. Mode effects should be kept in mind when comparing the new data points with previous months.

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Where percentages do not sum to 100, this may be due to computer rounding, the exclusion of "don't know" categories, or multiple answers. An asterisk (*) denotes any value of less than half a per cent, but more than zero.

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Q1 What would you say is the most important issue facing Britain today?

Q2 What do you see as other important issues facing Britain today?

Base: 1,009 British adults 18+	Q1	Q1/2
Pollution/environment/climate change	% 21	% 40
Coronavirus/Pandemic diseases	13	27
Common Market/Brexit/EU/Europe	10	22
NHS/Hospitals/Healthcare	6	22
Economy	9	21
Poverty/Inequality	6	15
Lack of faith in politics/politicians/government	4	11
Immigration/immigrants	4	11
Education/Schools	1	10
Housing	1	10
Inflation/Prices	2	8
Unemployment	1	7
Crime/Law and Order/ASB	1	6
Low pay/Minimum Wage/Fair wages	1	6
Race relations	1	5
Ageing population/Social care for elderly	*	4
Mental health/well-being	1	3
Taxation	1	3
Public services in general	*	3
Defence/foreign affairs/terrorism	1	3
Population levels/overpopulation	1	3
Transport/public transport	-	3
Pensions/social security/benefits	*	3
Petrol prices/fuel	1	2
Local government/council tax	*	1
Nationalisation/Government control of institutions	*	1
Privatisation	*	1
International trade/trade deals	-	1
Morality/individual behaviour/lifestyle	*	1
Food production/farming	*	1
UK Union/devolution/reform	*	1
Northern Ireland	-	1
Countryside/rural life	*	1
Drug abuse	*	1
Animal welfare	*	*
Trade unions/strikes	-	*
Pound/Exchange rate/Value of pound	-	*
Other	6	14
Don't know	5	14