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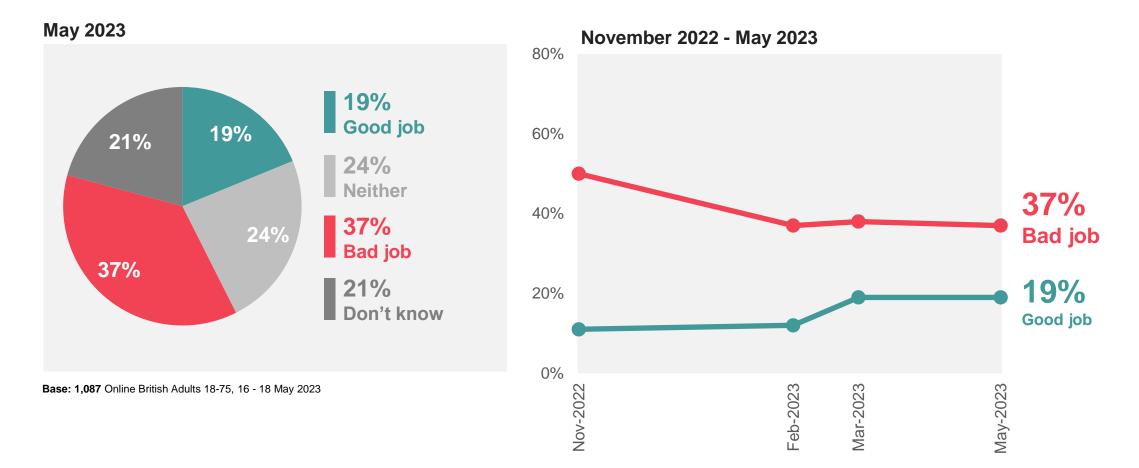
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Job performance: Suella Braverman

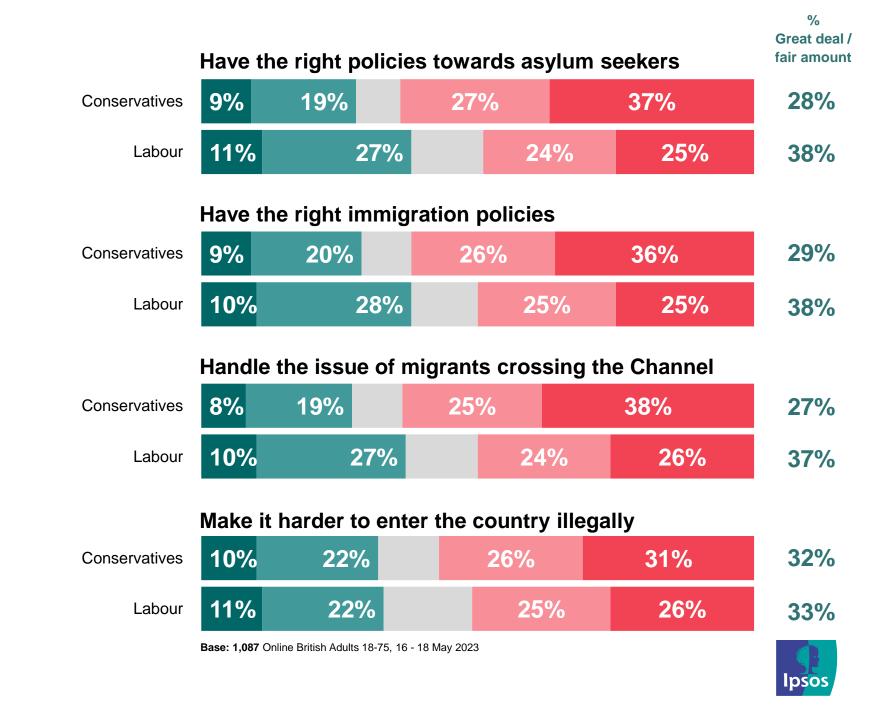
To what extent, would you say Suella Braverman has been doing a good job or bad job as Home Secretary, or neither?



Labour are now trusted more to have the right policies towards asylum seekers, immigration and on handling migrants crossing the Channel. Both parties are trusted equally to make it harder to enter the country illegally

To what extent, if at all, do you trust each of the following political parties to...?

A great deal A fair amount Not very much Not at all



%

Great deal /

Trust among **Conservative supporters** for their party to have the right policies towards immigration decreased since March

To what extent, if at all, do you trust the Conservative party to...?

Among 2019 Conservative voters

A great deal

A fair amount

Not very much

Not at all

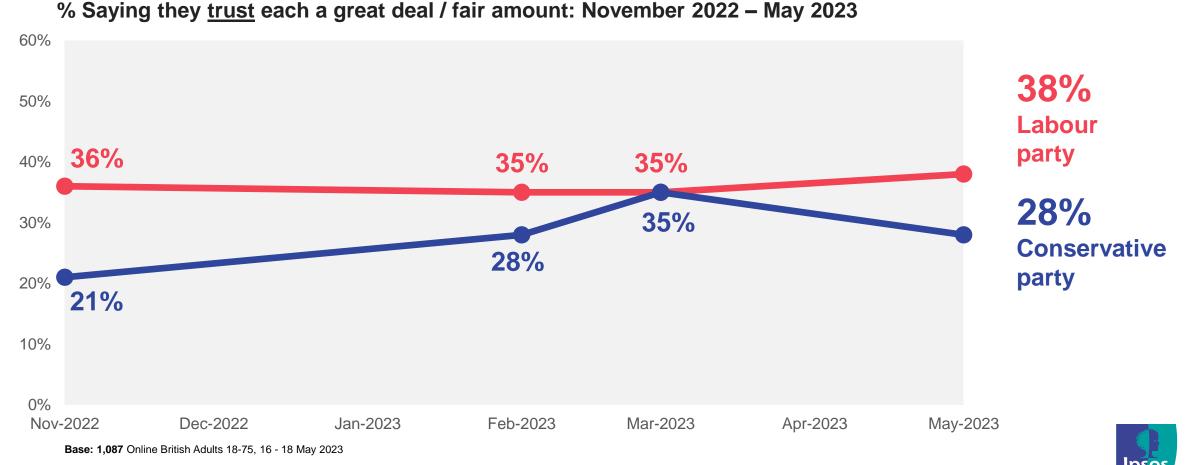
	Have the right policies towards asylum seekers					fair amount	
May 2023	16%		34% <mark>29%</mark>		19%	50%	
March 2023	18%		41%	26%	10%	59%	
February 2023	11%	27%	30%		27%	38%	
November 2022	9%	22%	31%		29%	31%	
Have the right immigration policies							
May 2023	16%	3'	1% 31%		18%	47%	
March 2023	17%		44%	24%	10%	61%	
February 2023	10%	27%	32%		26%	37%	
November 2022	8%	26%	33%		27%	33%	
Handle the issue of migrants crossing the Channel							
May 2023	13%	319	<mark>% 30%</mark>		22%	44%	
March 2023	13%		39% 28	%	15%	52%	
February 2023	10%	24%	32%		30%	34%	
November 2022	6%	21% 35	5%		32%	26%	
Make it harder to enter the country illegally							
May 2023	15%	32	2% 31%		19%	46%	
March 2023	15%		41%	27%	13%	56%	
February 2023	10%	27%	29%		30%	37%	

Base: 308 Online British adults aged 18-75 who voted Conservative in 2019, 16 - 18 May 2023



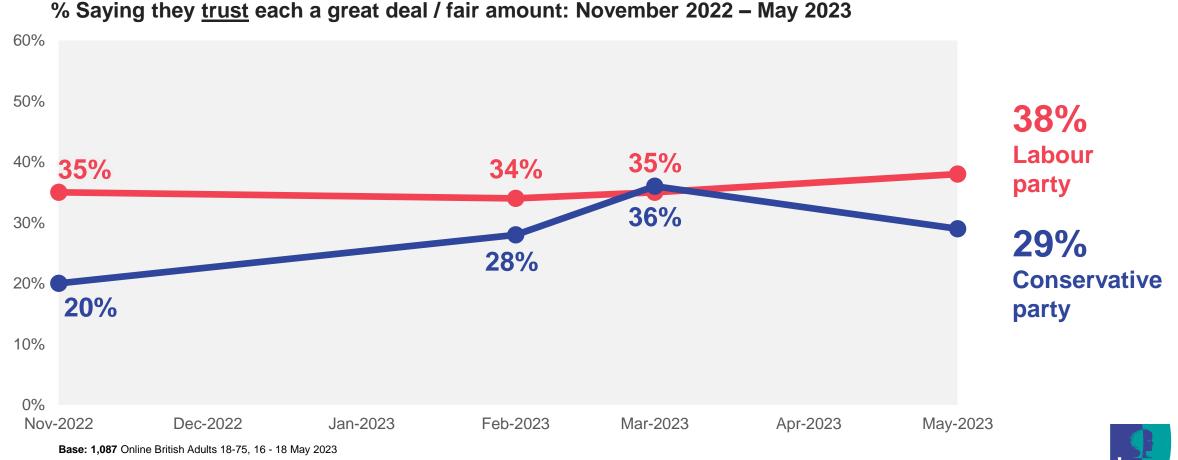
Trust in parties to have the right policies towards asylum seekers

To what extent, if at all, do you trust each of the following political parties to have the right policies towards asylum seekers?



Trust in parties to have the right immigration policies

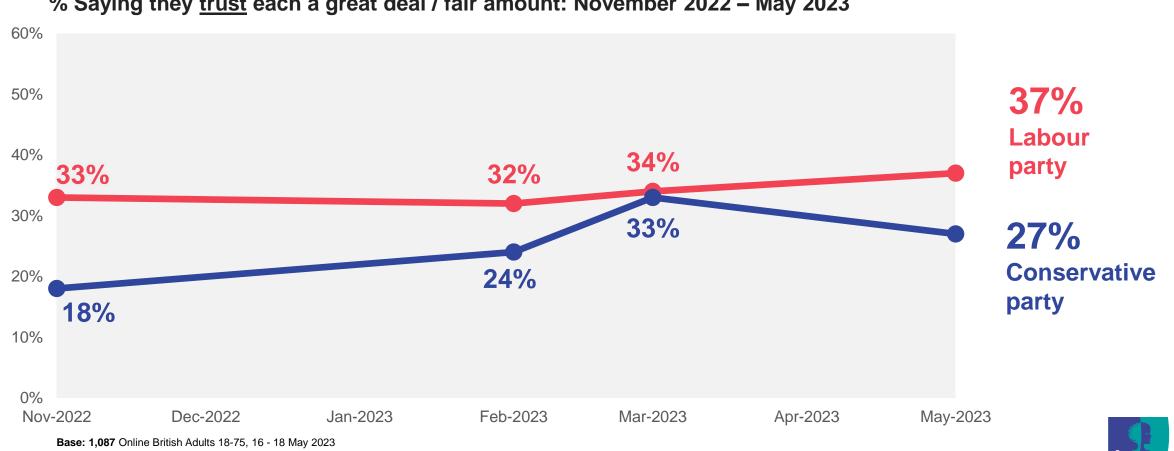
To what extent, if at all, do you trust each of the following political parties to have the right immigration policies?





Trust in parties to handle issue of migrants crossing the Channel

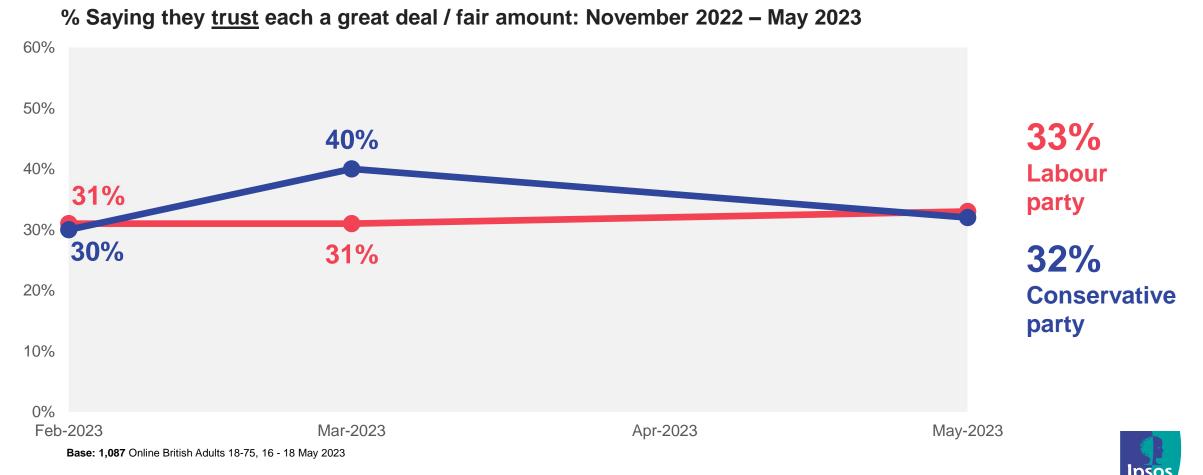
To what extent, if at all, do you trust each of the following political parties to handle the issue of migrants crossing the English Channel?



% Saying they <u>trust</u> each a great deal / fair amount: November 2022 – May 2023

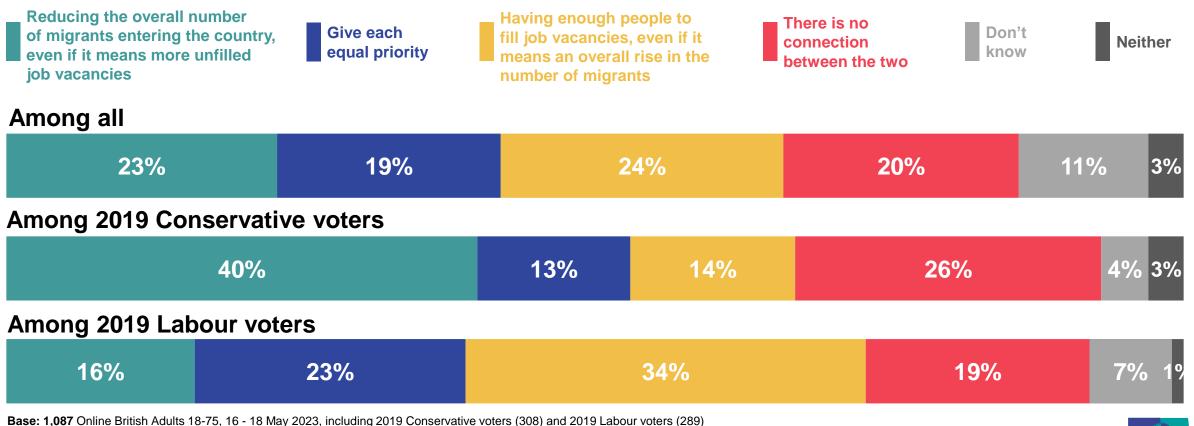
Trust in parties to make it harder to enter the country illegally

To what extent, if at all, do you trust each of the following political parties to make it harder to enter the country illegally?



The public are divided over the priorities for Britain's immigration policy - 2019 Conservative voters are more likely to think reducing the overall number of migrants entering the country should be prioritised, while 2019 Labour voters emphasise having enough people to fill job vacancies, but no majority in either case

Which of the following, if either, do you think should be prioritised when thinking about Britain's immigration policy?



Almost three in five think the net migration into Britain has increased compared to last year, 2019 Conservative voters are most likely to think this

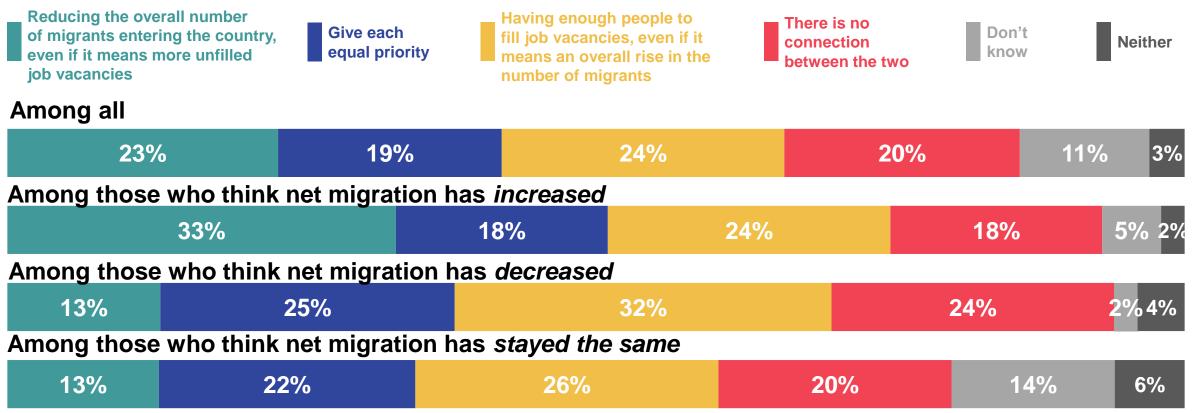
Do you think the net migration into Britain has <u>increased</u> compared to last year, do you think it has <u>decreased</u>, or do you think it's stayed the same?

Increased	Stayed the same						
Among all							
	57%	159	%	13%			
Among 2019 Conservative voters							
	72%		12%	<mark>// 12%</mark>			
Among 2019 Labour voi	ters						
5	5%	17%)	14%			
Base: 1,087 Online British Adults 18-75, 16 - 18 May 20	23, including 2019 Conservative voters (308) and 2019 Labour voters (289)						



Those who think net migration has *increased* compared to last year are relatively more likely to think priority should be given to reducing the overall number of migrants entering the country,but even amongst this group there is no clear consensus.

Which of the following, if either, do you think should be prioritised when thinking about Britain's immigration policy?



Base: 1,087 Online British Adults 18-75, 16 - 18 May 2023, including those who think net migration into the UK has increased (607), decreased (146), stayed the same (176)



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