

## Deltapoll Survey Results

Sample Size: 3,524 Adults in England & Wales  
Fieldwork: 5th - 13th December 2019

# DELTA POLL

All Adults in England & Wales  
Unweighted Sample

|       | Gender |        | Age   |       |       |     | EU Ref Vote |        | GE 17 Vote |      |         |       |
|-------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-----|-------------|--------|------------|------|---------|-------|
| Total | Male   | Female | 18-24 | 25-49 | 50-64 | 65+ | Leave       | Remain | Con        | Lab  | Lib Dem | Other |
| 3455  | 1643   | 1810   | 381   | 1461  | 821   | 792 | 1476        | 1318   | 1259       | 1056 | 316     | 193   |
| 3524  | 1765   | 1757   | 415   | 1455  | 862   | 792 | 1438        | 1356   | 1165       | 908  | 274     | 330   |
| %     | %      | %      | %     | %     | %     | %   | %           | %      | %          | %    | %       | %     |

Do you think rough sleeping is currently legal or illegal in England and Wales?

|            |           |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|------------|-----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Legal      | <b>28</b> | 31 | 25 | 33 | 28 | 23 | 30 | 29 | 29 | 30 | 28 | 30 | 28 |
| Illegal    | <b>31</b> | 32 | 30 | 30 | 31 | 34 | 27 | 30 | 34 | 30 | 36 | 36 | 29 |
| Don't know | <b>42</b> | 37 | 45 | 37 | 41 | 43 | 43 | 41 | 37 | 40 | 36 | 33 | 43 |

Do you think begging is currently legal or illegal in England and Wales?

|            |           |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|------------|-----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Legal      | <b>14</b> | 17 | 12 | 26 | 17 | 8  | 10 | 12 | 17 | 11 | 18 | 15 | 15 |
| Illegal    | <b>61</b> | 60 | 61 | 46 | 56 | 70 | 68 | 68 | 60 | 69 | 60 | 66 | 60 |
| Don't know | <b>25</b> | 23 | 27 | 29 | 28 | 22 | 22 | 20 | 23 | 21 | 22 | 19 | 25 |

Have you heard of the Vagrancy Act?

|     |           |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|-----|-----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Yes | <b>34</b> | 40 | 29 | 25 | 27 | 39 | 46 | 37 | 38 | 36 | 37 | 43 | 41 |
| No  | <b>66</b> | 60 | 71 | 75 | 73 | 61 | 54 | 63 | 62 | 64 | 63 | 57 | 59 |

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| 3524  | 384    | 1329          | 571      | 818   | 422   | 1722         | 1794 |
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Do you think rough sleeping is currently legal or illegal in England and Wales?

|            |           |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|------------|-----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Legal      | <b>28</b> | 31 | 29 | 24 | 26 | 31 | 28 | 28 |
| Illegal    | <b>31</b> | 33 | 28 | 30 | 33 | 30 | 31 | 31 |
| Don't know | <b>42</b> | 36 | 42 | 46 | 41 | 39 | 41 | 42 |

Do you think begging is currently legal or illegal in England and Wales?

|            |           |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|------------|-----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Legal      | <b>14</b> | 18 | 13 | 12 | 14 | 17 | 15 | 13 |
| Illegal    | <b>61</b> | 60 | 61 | 61 | 63 | 53 | 59 | 63 |
| Don't know | <b>25</b> | 22 | 26 | 27 | 23 | 31 | 26 | 23 |

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|-----|-----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Yes | <b>34</b> | 38 | 35 | 27 | 36 | 33 | 36 | 32 |
| No  | <b>66</b> | 62 | 65 | 73 | 64 | 67 | 64 | 68 |

**All Adults in England & Wales**  
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| Total       | Gender |        | Age   |       |       |     | EU Ref Vote |        | GE 17 Vote |      |         |       |
|-------------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-----|-------------|--------|------------|------|---------|-------|
|             | Male   | Female | 18-24 | 25-49 | 50-64 | 65+ | Leave       | Remain | Con        | Lab  | Lib Dem | Other |
| <b>3455</b> | 1643   | 1810   | 381   | 1461  | 821   | 792 | 1476        | 1318   | 1259       | 1056 | 316     | 193   |
| <b>3524</b> | 1765   | 1757   | 415   | 1455  | 862   | 792 | 1438        | 1356   | 1165       | 908  | 274     | 330   |
| %           | %      | %      | %     | %     | %     | %   | %           | %      | %          | %    | %       | %     |

In England and Wales, the Vagrancy Act (1824) makes rough sleeping and begging a crime. Around two thousand people a year are prosecuted under the legislation.

To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

**Rough sleeping should be a criminal offence/illegal**

|                            |            |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|----------------------------|------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Strongly agree             | <b>7</b>   | 9   | 5   | 7   | 8   | 8   | 5   | 9   | 6   | 9   | 7   | 7   | 10  |
| Tend to agree              | <b>11</b>  | 13  | 9   | 12  | 12  | 8   | 12  | 12  | 10  | 14  | 10  | 11  | 6   |
| Neither agree nor disagree | <b>24</b>  | 25  | 22  | 23  | 24  | 25  | 23  | 25  | 19  | 28  | 17  | 19  | 22  |
| Tend to disagree           | <b>23</b>  | 21  | 25  | 13  | 19  | 24  | 33  | 24  | 25  | 25  | 22  | 29  | 22  |
| Strongly disagree          | <b>29</b>  | 25  | 32  | 34  | 29  | 30  | 23  | 25  | 36  | 20  | 39  | 32  | 36  |
| Don't know                 | <b>6</b>   | 6   | 7   | 11  | 8   | 5   | 3   | 5   | 5   | 4   | 6   | 2   | 4   |
| Agree (All)                | <b>18</b>  | 22  | 14  | 19  | 20  | 16  | 17  | 21  | 16  | 23  | 17  | 18  | 16  |
| Disagree (All)             | <b>52</b>  | 46  | 57  | 47  | 48  | 54  | 56  | 49  | 61  | 45  | 61  | 61  | 58  |
| Net Agreement              | <b>-34</b> | -24 | -43 | -28 | -28 | -38 | -39 | -28 | -45 | -22 | -44 | -43 | -42 |

**Arresting people who are rough sleeping is a waste of police time**

|                            |            |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|----------------------------|------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Strongly agree             | <b>37</b>  | 37  | 37  | 37  | 37  | 40  | 35  | 37  | 41  | 34  | 44  | 34  | 50  |
| Tend to agree              | <b>34</b>  | 32  | 37  | 28  | 30  | 36  | 44  | 37  | 35  | 39  | 32  | 40  | 29  |
| Neither agree nor disagree | <b>15</b>  | 16  | 14  | 18  | 17  | 13  | 12  | 14  | 12  | 15  | 11  | 16  | 10  |
| Tend to disagree           | <b>5</b>   | 7   | 4   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 6   | 6   | 4   | 5   | 5   |
| Strongly disagree          | <b>3</b>   | 3   | 3   | 3   | 4   | 3   | 3   | 3   | 3   | 4   | 4   | 4   | 3   |
| Don't know                 | <b>5</b>   | 5   | 5   | 9   | 7   | 3   | 2   | 4   | 3   | 3   | 5   | 1   | 3   |
| Agree (All)                | <b>71</b>  | 69  | 74  | 65  | 67  | 76  | 79  | 74  | 76  | 73  | 76  | 74  | 79  |
| Disagree (All)             | <b>8</b>   | 10  | 7   | 8   | 9   | 8   | 8   | 8   | 9   | 10  | 8   | 9   | 8   |
| Net Agreement              | <b>+63</b> | +59 | +67 | +57 | +58 | +68 | +71 | +66 | +67 | +63 | +68 | +65 | +71 |

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|----------------------------|------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Strongly agree             | <b>7</b>   | 11  | 6   | 7   | 7   | 9   | 8   | 6   |
| Tend to agree              | <b>11</b>  | 11  | 10  | 10  | 12  | 11  | 11  | 11  |
| Neither agree nor disagree | <b>24</b>  | 25  | 23  | 23  | 24  | 25  | 23  | 25  |
| Tend to disagree           | <b>23</b>  | 23  | 24  | 25  | 21  | 22  | 23  | 24  |
| Strongly disagree          | <b>29</b>  | 26  | 29  | 26  | 30  | 29  | 29  | 28  |
| Don't know                 | <b>6</b>   | 4   | 7   | 8   | 6   | 4   | 6   | 7   |
| Agree (All)                | <b>18</b>  | 22  | 16  | 17  | 19  | 20  | 19  | 17  |
| Disagree (All)             | <b>52</b>  | 49  | 53  | 51  | 51  | 51  | 52  | 52  |
| Net Agreement              | <b>-34</b> | -27 | -37 | -34 | -32 | -31 | -33 | -35 |

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|----------------------------|------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Strongly agree             | <b>37</b>  | 38  | 37  | 34  | 39  | 32  | 38  | 35  |
| Tend to agree              | <b>34</b>  | 38  | 35  | 38  | 31  | 30  | 34  | 35  |
| Neither agree nor disagree | <b>15</b>  | 13  | 15  | 15  | 16  | 21  | 14  | 16  |
| Tend to disagree           | <b>5</b>   | 7   | 5   | 5   | 4   | 6   | 6   | 5   |
| Strongly disagree          | <b>3</b>   | 2   | 3   | 4   | 3   | 7   | 3   | 3   |
| Don't know                 | <b>5</b>   | 3   | 6   | 5   | 5   | 4   | 5   | 5   |
| Agree (All)                | <b>71</b>  | 76  | 72  | 72  | 70  | 62  | 72  | 70  |
| Disagree (All)             | <b>8</b>   | 9   | 8   | 9   | 7   | 13  | 9   | 8   |
| Net Agreement              | <b>+63</b> | +67 | +64 | +63 | +63 | +49 | +63 | +62 |

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**The best way to end rough sleeping is to give people the support they need to move away from the streets and into a home**

|                            |            |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|----------------------------|------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Strongly agree             | <b>45</b>  | 40  | 50  | 46  | 42  | 48  | 48  | 43  | 51  | 39  | 57  | 46  | 55  |
| Tend to agree              | <b>31</b>  | 32  | 30  | 18  | 29  | 33  | 38  | 35  | 30  | 39  | 25  | 30  | 25  |
| Neither agree nor disagree | <b>14</b>  | 16  | 12  | 19  | 16  | 13  | 9   | 12  | 11  | 14  | 10  | 13  | 10  |
| Tend to disagree           | <b>4</b>   | 5   | 2   | 4   | 5   | 2   | 2   | 3   | 3   | 4   | 3   | 7   | 2   |
| Strongly disagree          | <b>2</b>   | 3   | 1   | 3   | 2   | 1   | 2   | 2   | 1   | 2   | 2   | 1   | 7   |
| Don't know                 | <b>5</b>   | 4   | 5   | 10  | 7   | 2   | 1   | 4   | 3   | 3   | 4   | 2   | 2   |
| Agree (All)                | <b>76</b>  | 72  | 80  | 64  | 71  | 81  | 86  | 78  | 81  | 78  | 82  | 76  | 80  |
| Disagree (All)             | <b>6</b>   | 8   | 3   | 7   | 7   | 3   | 4   | 5   | 4   | 6   | 5   | 8   | 9   |
| Net Agreement              | <b>+70</b> | +64 | +77 | +57 | +64 | +78 | +82 | +73 | +77 | +72 | +77 | +68 | +71 |

**The Vagrancy Act should be repealed/scrapped**

|                            |            |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|----------------------------|------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Strongly agree             | <b>24</b>  | 24  | 24  | 26  | 27  | 24  | 18  | 23  | 28  | 17  | 33  | 24  | 35  |
| Tend to agree              | <b>23</b>  | 22  | 25  | 17  | 24  | 21  | 28  | 24  | 26  | 21  | 27  | 34  | 24  |
| Neither agree nor disagree | <b>26</b>  | 26  | 26  | 26  | 25  | 28  | 27  | 27  | 24  | 32  | 19  | 20  | 22  |
| Tend to disagree           | <b>9</b>   | 10  | 8   | 8   | 7   | 10  | 12  | 10  | 9   | 13  | 7   | 11  | 4   |
| Strongly disagree          | <b>6</b>   | 8   | 5   | 6   | 5   | 9   | 7   | 9   | 4   | 9   | 5   | 6   | 6   |
| Don't know                 | <b>10</b>  | 10  | 11  | 17  | 12  | 8   | 8   | 8   | 9   | 8   | 9   | 5   | 10  |
| Agree (All)                | <b>47</b>  | 46  | 49  | 43  | 51  | 45  | 46  | 47  | 54  | 38  | 60  | 58  | 59  |
| Disagree (All)             | <b>15</b>  | 18  | 13  | 14  | 12  | 19  | 19  | 19  | 13  | 22  | 12  | 17  | 10  |
| Net Agreement              | <b>+32</b> | +28 | +36 | +29 | +39 | +26 | +27 | +28 | +41 | +16 | +48 | +41 | +49 |

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|----------------------------|------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Strongly agree             | <b>45</b>  | 43  | 46  | 43  | 46  | 46  | 45  | 46  |
| Tend to agree              | <b>31</b>  | 34  | 30  | 33  | 28  | 27  | 31  | 30  |
| Neither agree nor disagree | <b>14</b>  | 13  | 14  | 13  | 14  | 16  | 13  | 15  |
| Tend to disagree           | <b>4</b>   | 4   | 3   | 3   | 4   | 6   | 4   | 3   |
| Strongly disagree          | <b>2</b>   | 3   | 1   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 2   |
| Don't know                 | <b>5</b>   | 3   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 3   | 5   | 5   |
| Agree (All)                | <b>76</b>  | 77  | 76  | 76  | 74  | 73  | 76  | 76  |
| Disagree (All)             | <b>6</b>   | 7   | 4   | 5   | 6   | 8   | 6   | 5   |
| Net Agreement              | <b>+70</b> | +70 | +72 | +71 | +68 | +65 | +70 | +71 |

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| Strongly agree             | <b>24</b>  | 24  | 25  | 25  | 23  | 24  | 25  | 23  |
| Tend to agree              | <b>23</b>  | 25  | 21  | 24  | 26  | 20  | 23  | 24  |
| Neither agree nor disagree | <b>26</b>  | 29  | 27  | 24  | 25  | 33  | 25  | 28  |
| Tend to disagree           | <b>9</b>   | 10  | 9   | 9   | 10  | 7   | 10  | 9   |
| Strongly disagree          | <b>6</b>   | 7   | 6   | 7   | 6   | 8   | 6   | 7   |
| Don't know                 | <b>10</b>  | 6   | 12  | 12  | 10  | 7   | 11  | 10  |
| Agree (All)                | <b>47</b>  | 49  | 46  | 49  | 49  | 44  | 48  | 47  |
| Disagree (All)             | <b>15</b>  | 17  | 15  | 16  | 16  | 15  | 16  | 16  |
| Net Agreement              | <b>+32</b> | +32 | +31 | +33 | +33 | +29 | +32 | +31 |

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| %     | %      | %      | %     | %     | %     | %   | %           | %      | %          | %    | %       | %     |

**The Vagrancy Act stops people from rough sleeping**

|                            |            |     |     |    |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|----------------------------|------------|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Strongly agree             | <b>7</b>   | 9   | 5   | 14 | 9   | 4   | 2   | 7   | 6   | 6   | 8   | 7   | 9   |
| Tend to agree              | <b>12</b>  | 12  | 12  | 13 | 14  | 9   | 11  | 11  | 13  | 11  | 15  | 13  | 9   |
| Neither agree nor disagree | <b>23</b>  | 23  | 23  | 25 | 23  | 24  | 22  | 23  | 19  | 24  | 17  | 22  | 19  |
| Tend to disagree           | <b>21</b>  | 21  | 21  | 13 | 16  | 24  | 31  | 24  | 23  | 27  | 17  | 23  | 20  |
| Strongly disagree          | <b>28</b>  | 27  | 29  | 21 | 27  | 33  | 28  | 28  | 31  | 25  | 34  | 29  | 37  |
| Don't know                 | <b>9</b>   | 8   | 10  | 15 | 11  | 7   | 6   | 8   | 8   | 6   | 9   | 6   | 6   |
| Agree (All)                | <b>19</b>  | 21  | 17  | 27 | 23  | 13  | 13  | 18  | 19  | 17  | 23  | 20  | 18  |
| Disagree (All)             | <b>49</b>  | 48  | 50  | 34 | 43  | 57  | 59  | 52  | 54  | 52  | 51  | 52  | 57  |
| Net Agreement              | <b>-30</b> | -27 | -33 | -7 | -20 | -44 | -46 | -34 | -35 | -35 | -28 | -32 | -39 |

**Criminalising people through the Vagrancy Act will not end their homelessness**

|                            |            |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
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| Strongly agree             | <b>44</b>  | 40  | 48  | 38  | 42  | 48  | 49  | 45  | 51  | 40  | 55  | 49  | 57  |
| Tend to agree              | <b>29</b>  | 29  | 29  | 19  | 26  | 30  | 39  | 32  | 28  | 38  | 23  | 29  | 21  |
| Neither agree nor disagree | <b>14</b>  | 17  | 11  | 19  | 17  | 13  | 7   | 13  | 10  | 13  | 10  | 15  | 9   |
| Tend to disagree           | <b>4</b>   | 5   | 3   | 7   | 5   | 2   | 3   | 4   | 4   | 4   | 3   | 4   | 7   |
| Strongly disagree          | <b>3</b>   | 3   | 3   | 5   | 3   | 2   | 1   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 4   | 2   | 2   |
| Don't know                 | <b>6</b>   | 6   | 6   | 12  | 8   | 4   | 2   | 5   | 4   | 3   | 6   | 2   | 4   |
| Agree (All)                | <b>73</b>  | 69  | 77  | 57  | 68  | 78  | 88  | 77  | 79  | 78  | 78  | 78  | 78  |
| Disagree (All)             | <b>7</b>   | 8   | 6   | 12  | 8   | 4   | 4   | 6   | 6   | 6   | 7   | 6   | 9   |
| Net Agreement              | <b>+66</b> | +61 | +71 | +45 | +60 | +74 | +84 | +71 | +73 | +72 | +71 | +72 | +69 |

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| Strongly agree             | <b>7</b>   | 8   | 5   | 10  | 6   | 9   | 8   | 6   |
| Tend to agree              | <b>12</b>  | 14  | 11  | 10  | 13  | 13  | 12  | 12  |
| Neither agree nor disagree | <b>23</b>  | 26  | 23  | 22  | 22  | 25  | 21  | 25  |
| Tend to disagree           | <b>21</b>  | 19  | 21  | 23  | 21  | 20  | 20  | 22  |
| Strongly disagree          | <b>28</b>  | 27  | 29  | 24  | 30  | 28  | 29  | 26  |
| Don't know                 | <b>9</b>   | 6   | 11  | 10  | 9   | 6   | 9   | 9   |
| Agree (All)                | <b>19</b>  | 22  | 16  | 20  | 19  | 22  | 20  | 18  |
| Disagree (All)             | <b>49</b>  | 46  | 50  | 47  | 51  | 48  | 49  | 48  |
| Net Agreement              | <b>-30</b> | -24 | -34 | -27 | -32 | -26 | -29 | -30 |

**Criminalising people through the Vagrancy Act will not end their homelessness**

|                            |            |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|----------------------------|------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Strongly agree             | <b>44</b>  | 43  | 47  | 43  | 44  | 37  | 46  | 42  |
| Tend to agree              | <b>29</b>  | 29  | 28  | 30  | 28  | 33  | 28  | 30  |
| Neither agree nor disagree | <b>14</b>  | 15  | 12  | 14  | 14  | 20  | 13  | 14  |
| Tend to disagree           | <b>4</b>   | 5   | 3   | 5   | 4   | 3   | 4   | 4   |
| Strongly disagree          | <b>3</b>   | 5   | 2   | 2   | 3   | 4   | 2   | 3   |
| Don't know                 | <b>6</b>   | 3   | 7   | 7   | 7   | 3   | 6   | 7   |
| Agree (All)                | <b>73</b>  | 72  | 75  | 73  | 72  | 70  | 74  | 72  |
| Disagree (All)             | <b>7</b>   | 10  | 5   | 7   | 7   | 7   | 6   | 7   |
| Net Agreement              | <b>+66</b> | +62 | +70 | +66 | +65 | +63 | +68 | +65 |

**All Adults in England & Wales**  
Unweighted Sample

| Total       | Gender |        | Age   |       |       |     | EU Ref Vote |        | GE 17 Vote |      |         |       |
|-------------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-----|-------------|--------|------------|------|---------|-------|
|             | Male   | Female | 18-24 | 25-49 | 50-64 | 65+ | Leave       | Remain | Con        | Lab  | Lib Dem | Other |
| <b>3455</b> | 1643   | 1810   | 381   | 1461  | 821   | 792 | 1476        | 1318   | 1259       | 1056 | 316     | 193   |
| <b>3524</b> | 1765   | 1757   | 415   | 1455  | 862   | 792 | 1438        | 1356   | 1165       | 908  | 274     | 330   |
| %           | %      | %      | %     | %     | %     | %   | %           | %      | %          | %    | %       | %     |

**Do you think that the next government should make scrapping the Vagrancy Act...**

|  |           |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|--|-----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Its top priority                         | <b>7</b>  | 7  | 6  | 16 | 8  | 4  | 2  | 7  | 6  | 5  | 9  | 4  | 12 |
| A main priority but not the top priority | <b>21</b> | 20 | 22 | 19 | 25 | 21 | 15 | 18 | 26 | 16 | 28 | 28 | 25 |
| A secondary priority                     | <b>22</b> | 24 | 21 | 27 | 22 | 18 | 24 | 21 | 24 | 22 | 25 | 22 | 19 |
| A lesser priority                        | <b>20</b> | 21 | 20 | 13 | 18 | 21 | 27 | 21 | 21 | 24 | 17 | 23 | 21 |
| It should not be a priority              | <b>13</b> | 14 | 11 | 5  | 9  | 17 | 19 | 17 | 10 | 20 | 7  | 12 | 11 |
| Don't know                               | <b>17</b> | 14 | 20 | 20 | 18 | 19 | 14 | 16 | 13 | 14 | 14 | 11 | 13 |

**To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?**

**More should be done to protect people rough sleeping from being victims of crime**

|                            |            |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|----------------------------|------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Strongly agree             | <b>36</b>  | 30  | 41  | 36  | 35  | 37  | 36  | 34  | 41  | 29  | 47  | 36  | 44  |
| Tend to agree              | <b>35</b>  | 36  | 35  | 26  | 32  | 37  | 45  | 38  | 37  | 42  | 32  | 40  | 33  |
| Neither agree nor disagree | <b>18</b>  | 21  | 15  | 21  | 20  | 17  | 14  | 19  | 15  | 21  | 12  | 15  | 17  |
| Tend to disagree           | <b>4</b>   | 5   | 3   | 6   | 5   | 3   | 2   | 3   | 4   | 4   | 3   | 5   | 3   |
| Strongly disagree          | <b>2</b>   | 2   | 2   | 1   | 3   | 2   | 1   | 2   | 1   | 2   | 2   | 3   | 1   |
| Don't know                 | <b>4</b>   | 5   | 4   | 9   | 6   | 3   | 2   | 3   | 2   | 2   | 4   | 1   | 2   |
| Agree (All)                | <b>71</b>  | 66  | 76  | 62  | 67  | 74  | 81  | 72  | 78  | 71  | 79  | 76  | 77  |
| Disagree (All)             | <b>6</b>   | 7   | 5   | 7   | 8   | 5   | 3   | 5   | 5   | 6   | 5   | 8   | 4   |
| Net Agreement              | <b>+65</b> | +59 | +71 | +55 | +59 | +69 | +78 | +67 | +73 | +65 | +74 | +68 | +73 |

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Unweighted Sample

| Total       | Region |               |          |       |       | Social Grade |      |
|-------------|--------|---------------|----------|-------|-------|--------------|------|
|             | London | Rest of South | Midlands | North | Wales | ABC1         | C2DE |
| <b>3455</b> | 499    | 1232          | 626      | 907   | 191   | 1972         | 1475 |
| <b>3524</b> | 384    | 1329          | 571      | 818   | 422   | 1722         | 1794 |
| %           | %      | %             | %        | %     | %     | %            | %    |

**Do you think that the next government should make scrapping the Vagrancy Act...**

|  |           |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|--|-----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Its top priority                         | <b>7</b>  | 8  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 7  | 7  | 6  |
| A main priority but not the top priority | <b>21</b> | 25 | 22 | 17 | 20 | 23 | 22 | 20 |
| A secondary priority                     | <b>22</b> | 30 | 20 | 23 | 20 | 21 | 23 | 22 |
| A lesser priority                        | <b>20</b> | 17 | 22 | 19 | 20 | 18 | 20 | 20 |
| It should not be a priority              | <b>13</b> | 11 | 12 | 14 | 13 | 14 | 13 | 12 |
| Don't know                               | <b>17</b> | 9  | 18 | 20 | 20 | 16 | 15 | 21 |

**To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?**

**More should be done to protect people rough sleeping from being victims of crime**

|                            |            |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|----------------------------|------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Strongly agree             | <b>36</b>  | 33  | 38  | 35  | 36  | 37  | 36  | 37  |
| Tend to agree              | <b>35</b>  | 36  | 35  | 37  | 35  | 33  | 35  | 36  |
| Neither agree nor disagree | <b>18</b>  | 20  | 17  | 17  | 19  | 21  | 18  | 18  |
| Tend to disagree           | <b>4</b>   | 6   | 3   | 4   | 4   | 4   | 4   | 4   |
| Strongly disagree          | <b>2</b>   | 3   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 3   | 2   | 2   |
| Don't know                 | <b>4</b>   | 3   | 5   | 5   | 4   | 2   | 5   | 4   |
| Agree (All)                | <b>71</b>  | 69  | 73  | 72  | 71  | 70  | 71  | 73  |
| Disagree (All)             | <b>6</b>   | 9   | 5   | 6   | 6   | 7   | 6   | 6   |
| Net Agreement              | <b>+65</b> | +60 | +68 | +66 | +65 | +63 | +65 | +67 |

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Unweighted Sample

| Total       | Gender |        | Age   |       |       |     | EU Ref Vote |        | GE 17 Vote |      |         |       |
|-------------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-----|-------------|--------|------------|------|---------|-------|
|             | Male   | Female | 18-24 | 25-49 | 50-64 | 65+ | Leave       | Remain | Con        | Lab  | Lib Dem | Other |
| <b>3455</b> | 1643   | 1810   | 381   | 1461  | 821   | 792 | 1476        | 1318   | 1259       | 1056 | 316     | 193   |
| <b>3524</b> | 1765   | 1757   | 415   | 1455  | 862   | 792 | 1438        | 1356   | 1165       | 908  | 274     | 330   |
| %           | %      | %      | %     | %     | %     | %   | %           | %      | %          | %    | %       | %     |

**Rough sleepers should not have special protection from the police**

|                            |           |    |     |    |    |     |    |    |     |    |     |     |     |
|----------------------------|-----------|----|-----|----|----|-----|----|----|-----|----|-----|-----|-----|
| Strongly agree             | <b>8</b>  | 11 | 6   | 11 | 9  | 8   | 6  | 9  | 8   | 9  | 9   | 7   | 10  |
| Tend to agree              | <b>19</b> | 22 | 17  | 15 | 20 | 18  | 22 | 23 | 18  | 26 | 17  | 20  | 14  |
| Neither agree nor disagree | <b>31</b> | 31 | 31  | 29 | 31 | 31  | 33 | 30 | 31  | 32 | 27  | 32  | 27  |
| Tend to disagree           | <b>22</b> | 18 | 26  | 21 | 21 | 21  | 25 | 21 | 23  | 21 | 23  | 25  | 25  |
| Strongly disagree          | <b>14</b> | 12 | 15  | 13 | 14 | 16  | 11 | 12 | 16  | 9  | 18  | 13  | 19  |
| Don't know                 | <b>6</b>  | 6  | 6   | 11 | 6  | 6   | 3  | 5  | 4   | 3  | 6   | 3   | 4   |
| Agree (All)                | <b>27</b> | 33 | 23  | 26 | 29 | 26  | 28 | 32 | 26  | 35 | 26  | 27  | 24  |
| Disagree (All)             | <b>36</b> | 30 | 41  | 34 | 35 | 37  | 36 | 33 | 39  | 30 | 41  | 38  | 44  |
| Net Agreement              | <b>-9</b> | +3 | -18 | -8 | -6 | -11 | -8 | -1 | -13 | +5 | -15 | -11 | -20 |

**Violence and abuse against people sleeping rough should be classed as a hate crime**

|                            |            |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|----------------------------|------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Strongly agree             | <b>40</b>  | 35  | 46  | 39  | 40  | 41  | 41  | 41  | 43  | 34  | 51  | 41  | 50  |
| Tend to agree              | <b>31</b>  | 32  | 31  | 23  | 27  | 34  | 40  | 33  | 34  | 37  | 28  | 36  | 28  |
| Neither agree nor disagree | <b>16</b>  | 17  | 14  | 21  | 19  | 13  | 10  | 13  | 14  | 15  | 11  | 15  | 12  |
| Tend to disagree           | <b>5</b>   | 7   | 4   | 5   | 6   | 5   | 4   | 6   | 4   | 7   | 4   | 4   | 4   |
| Strongly disagree          | <b>3</b>   | 4   | 2   | 4   | 3   | 4   | 3   | 4   | 2   | 4   | 2   | 2   | 4   |
| Don't know                 | <b>4</b>   | 5   | 4   | 9   | 5   | 3   | 2   | 4   | 2   | 2   | 3   | 2   | 1   |
| Agree (All)                | <b>71</b>  | 67  | 77  | 62  | 67  | 75  | 81  | 74  | 77  | 71  | 79  | 77  | 78  |
| Disagree (All)             | <b>8</b>   | 11  | 6   | 9   | 9   | 9   | 7   | 10  | 6   | 11  | 6   | 6   | 8   |
| Net Agreement              | <b>+63</b> | +56 | +71 | +53 | +58 | +66 | +74 | +64 | +71 | +60 | +73 | +71 | +70 |

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| %           | %      | %             | %        | %     | %     | %            | %    |

**Rough sleepers should not have special protection from the police**

|                            |           |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |
|----------------------------|-----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|
| Strongly agree             | <b>8</b>  | 6  | 7  | 10 | 9  | 11 | 10 | 6   |
| Tend to agree              | <b>19</b> | 22 | 20 | 18 | 19 | 16 | 21 | 17  |
| Neither agree nor disagree | <b>31</b> | 28 | 32 | 30 | 31 | 38 | 30 | 32  |
| Tend to disagree           | <b>22</b> | 22 | 22 | 23 | 22 | 17 | 20 | 25  |
| Strongly disagree          | <b>14</b> | 15 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 16 | 13 | 14  |
| Don't know                 | <b>6</b>  | 7  | 7  | 6  | 5  | 2  | 6  | 6   |
| Agree (All)                | <b>27</b> | 28 | 27 | 28 | 28 | 27 | 31 | 23  |
| Disagree (All)             | <b>36</b> | 37 | 34 | 36 | 36 | 33 | 33 | 39  |
| Net Agreement              | <b>-9</b> | -9 | -7 | -8 | -8 | -6 | -2 | -16 |

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|                            |            |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|----------------------------|------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Strongly agree             | <b>40</b>  | 37  | 42  | 39  | 41  | 40  | 40  | 41  |
| Tend to agree              | <b>31</b>  | 32  | 31  | 32  | 32  | 26  | 31  | 32  |
| Neither agree nor disagree | <b>16</b>  | 16  | 15  | 15  | 16  | 21  | 15  | 16  |
| Tend to disagree           | <b>5</b>   | 8   | 5   | 5   | 4   | 8   | 6   | 4   |
| Strongly disagree          | <b>3</b>   | 3   | 3   | 3   | 3   | 2   | 3   | 3   |
| Don't know                 | <b>4</b>   | 3   | 5   | 5   | 4   | 2   | 4   | 4   |
| Agree (All)                | <b>71</b>  | 69  | 73  | 71  | 73  | 66  | 71  | 73  |
| Disagree (All)             | <b>8</b>   | 11  | 8   | 8   | 7   | 10  | 9   | 7   |
| Net Agreement              | <b>+63</b> | +58 | +65 | +63 | +66 | +56 | +62 | +66 |