DESNZ PUBLIC ATTITUDES TRACKER SPRING 2025 (WAVE 13)

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SECTION A: OPENING DEMOGRAPHICS

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ASK ALL (WEB ONLY)

INTROD1 (Display)

Thank you for choosing to take part in the Public Attitudes Tracker on behalf of the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero.

ASK ALL

INTROD2 (Display)

In this first section, we would like to find out a little about you and your household.

The information is used to understand the experiences of different groups and will not identify you or anyone in your household.

ASK ALL

NUMADULTS (Single)

Including yourself, how many adults aged 16 or over are currently living in your household?

- 1. 1
- 2. 2
- 3. 3 or more

ASK ALL

CHILDHH(Single)

How many children aged under 16 currently live in your household?

- 1. 0
- 2. 1
- 3. 2
- 4. 3 or more
- 99. Prefer not to say

ASK ALL

AGE (Numeric)

What is your age?

NUMERIC (Range 16-110) (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO GENDER) 99. Prefer not to say (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO AGEBAND)

IF AGE= PREFER NOT TO SAY (AGE=99) AGEBAND (Single)

Which of the following age bands are you in?

- 1. 16 to 19
- 2. 20 to 24
- 3. 25 to 34
- 4. 35 to 44
- 5. 45 to 54
- 6. 55 to 64
- 7. 65 to 74
- 8. 75 or over
- 99. Prefer not to say

ASK ALL

GENDER (Single)

Would you describe yourself as...

- 1. Male
- 2. Female
- 3. Identify in another way (please type in) (please specify)
- 99. Prefer not to say

SECTION B: TRIANNUAL TRACKER QUESTIONS

ASK ALL

INTROQ (Display)

Next are some questions about your general attitudes towards environmental issues.

ASK ALL

CLIMCONCERN (Single)

How concerned, if at all, are you about climate change, sometimes referred to as 'global warming'?

- 1. Very concerned
- 2. Fairly concerned
- 3. Not very concerned
- 4. Not at all concerned
- 98. Don't know

ASK ALL

NZKNOW (Single)

The UK government is aiming to reduce UK greenhouse gas emissions to 'net zero' by 2050.

This will involve significantly reducing emissions produced by our industries, transport, food, and homes.

Any remaining emissions will be balanced by actions that reduce greenhouse gases already in the atmosphere, such as planting trees.

Before today, how much, if anything, did you know about the concept of 'net zero'?

- 1. Never heard of this
- 2. Hardly anything but I've heard of this
- A little
- 4. A fair amount
- 5. A lot

ASK ALL

RENEWSUPPORT (Single)

The next question is about renewable energy. This includes a number of different forms of energy, such as wind power, solar energy and biomass.

Do you support or oppose the use of renewable energy for providing our electricity, fuel and heat?

- 1. Strongly support
- 2. Support
- 3. Neither support nor oppose
- 4. Oppose
- 5. Strongly oppose
- 98. Don't know

ASK ALL

RENEW2SUPPORTA- RENEW2SUPPORTE (Grid)

Generally speaking, do you support or oppose the use of the following renewable energy developments:

- a) On-shore wind
- b) Biomass this refers to any plant or animal-based material (for example, food waste, branches, sawdust) or purposely grown crops which can be burned to produce heat and electricity
- c) Off-shore wind
- d) Wave and tidal
- e) Solar
 - 1. Strongly support
 - 2. Support
 - 3. Neither support nor oppose
 - 4. Oppose
 - 5. Strongly oppose
 - 98. Don't know

ASK ALL

HEATHOMEKNOW (Single)

In the lead up to 2050, the way we heat almost all of our homes and buildings will need to change in order to reach the UK government's net zero target.

Before today, how much, if anything, did you know about this?

- 1. Never heard of this
- 2. Hardly anything but I've heard of this
- 3. A little
- 4. A fair amount

5. A lot

ASK ALL

LOWCARBKNOW (Single)

The next question is about low-carbon heating systems.

By this we mean environmentally friendly heating systems which no longer rely on conventional gas central heating but instead use energy from low-carbon alternatives such as hydrogen, the sun, or heat pumps which draw heat from the ground, air or water to heat your home.

Before today, how much, if anything, did you know about low-carbon heating systems?

- 1. Never heard of this
- 2. Hardly anything but I've heard of this
- 3. A little
- 4. A fair amount
- 5. A lot

ASK ALL

GBEKNOW (Single)

The UK government has set up a publicly owned, clean energy company, called Great British Energy. **Great British Energy will operate in all four nations of the UK.**

Before today, how much, if anything, did you know about Great British Energy?

- 1. Never heard of this
- 2. Hardly anything but I've heard of this
- 3. A little
- 4. A fair amount
- 5. A lot

ASK ALL

CLEANPOWER2030 (Single)

One of the government's goals is to achieve Clean Power by 2030. This means generating at least 95% of electricity in Great Britain from clean sources, like wind and solar, by 2030.

Before today, how much, if anything, did you know about this?

- 1. Never heard of this
- 2. Hardly anything but I've heard of this
- 3. A little
- 4. A fair amount
- 5. A lot

SECTION C: FUSION, CCS AND HYDROGEN

ASK ALL

INTROC1 (Display)

Now some questions about sources of energy.

ASK ALL

FUSIONKNOW (Single)

Fusion energy is an experimental technology that works by fusing together atoms in order to release energy. The UK is exploring whether this technology could be used to generate zero carbon electricity.

Before today, how much, if anything, did you know about fusion energy?

- 1. Never heard of this
- 2. Hardly anything but I've heard of this
- 3. A little
- 4. A fair amount
- 5. A lot

ASK ALL

FUSIONSUPPORT (Single)

From what you know, or have heard about fusion energy, do you support or oppose the UK developing this technology?

- 1. Strongly support (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO INTROC2)
- 2. Support (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO INTROC2)
- 3. Neither support nor oppose (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO

INTROC2)

- 4. Oppose (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO WHYOPPFUS)
- 5. Strongly oppose (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO WHYOPPFUS)
- 98. Don't know (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO INTROC2)

ASK IF FUSIONSUPPORT = 4,5

WHYOPPFUS (Multi)

You said that you oppose the development of fusion energy in the UK. Why is this?

Please select all that apply.

- 1. I don't know enough about the technology
- 2. I am concerned about safety

- 3. I think it will be too expensive
- 4. I am not convinced that it will be feasible
- 5. I don't think it would be effective in reducing emissions
- 6. I am concerned about the radioactive waste generated
- 7. I think it will take too long to develop this technology
- 8. Other (please type in) (please specify)
- 98. Don't know (EXCLUSIVE)

INTROC2 (Display)

Carbon capture and storage is a technology that stops greenhouse gases entering the atmosphere.

It typically involves capturing carbon dioxide (CO₂) emissions from power stations or industrial facilities where emissions are high.

The CO₂ is then piped to offshore underground storage sites, where it can be safely and permanently stored.

ASK ALL

CCSKNOW (Single)

Before today, how much, if anything, do you know about carbon capture and storage?

- 1. Never heard of this
- 2. Hardly anything but I've heard of this
- 3. A little
- 4. A fair amount
- 5. A lot

ASK ALL

CCSUPPORT (Single)

From what you know, or have heard about it, do you support or oppose the use of carbon capture and storage to reduce greenhouse gas emissions?

- 1. Strongly support (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO WHYSUPPCCS)
- 2. Support (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO WHYSUPPCCS)
- 3. Neither support nor oppose (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO INTROC3)
- 4. Oppose (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO WHYOPPCCS)
- 5. Strongly oppose (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO WHYOPPCCS)

98. Don't know (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO INTROC3)

ASK IF CCSUPPORT = 1,2 WHYSUPPCCS (Multi)

You said that you support the use of carbon capture and storage in the UK. Why is this?

Please select all that apply.

- 1. I think it would help combat climate change and reduce carbon emissions
- 2. I think it would create jobs
- 3. I think it would benefit the UK economy
- 4. I think it would provide an opportunity for the UK to be a world leader in this technology
- 5. It can re-use existing infrastructure such as oil and gas pipelines
- 6. Other (please type in) (please specify)
- 98. Don't know (EXCLUSIVE)

PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE: NOW GO TO INTROC3

ASK IF CCSUPPORT = 4,5 WHYOPPCCS (*Multi*)

You said that you oppose the use of carbon capture and storage in the UK. Why is this?

Please select all that apply.

- 1. I don't know enough about the technology
- 2. I am concerned about safety
- 3. I think it would be too expensive
- 4. I don't think it would be effective in reducing emissions
- 5. I think we should use more natural strategies (such as tree planting) to capture and store carbon
- 6. I think it wouldn't tackle the cause of climate change or stop emissions
- 7. I think it would be disruptive to the local areas where it is situated
- 8. I don't think it would be a long-term solution
- 9. Other (please type in) (please specify)
- 98. Don't know (EXCLUSIVE)

INTROC3 (Display)

And now a question about hydrogen, which is used as a fuel in some industrial processes.

Hydrogen is not naturally available. This means it needs to be produced from other sources to be used as a fuel.

When produced in an environmentally friendly way, hydrogen can help to reduce the carbon emissions in industries, power generation, lorries and shipping.

ASK ALL

HYDKNOW (Single)

Before today, how much would you say you knew about hydrogen already being used as a fuel in some industrial processes in the UK?

- 1. Never heard of this
- 2. Hardly anything but I've heard of this
- 3. A little
- 4. A fair amount
- 5. A lot

ASK ALL

HYDREDKNOW (Single)

Before today, how much would you say you knew about the potential **future** uses of hydrogen to reduce emissions in some industries?

- 1. Never heard of this
- 2. Hardly anything but I've heard of this
- 3. A little
- 4. A fair amount
- 5. A lot

SECTION D: RENEWABLES AND NUCLEAR

ASK ALL

RENEWATTA-C (Grid)

As mentioned, **renewable energy** covers a number of different forms, including wind power, solar energy and biomass. How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

- a) Renewable energy industries and developments provide economic benefits to the UK
- c) It's important that renewable energy developments provide direct benefits to the communities in which they are located
 - 1. Strongly agree
 - 2. Slightly agree
 - 3. Neither agree nor disagree
 - 4. Slightly disagree
 - 5. Strongly disagree
 - 98. Don't know

ASK ALL

WINDFARM (Single)

Now imagine that there are plans for **an on-shore wind farm** to be constructed in your local area. How happy or unhappy would you be about this?

If you already have this in your local area, answer on the basis of how you feel about this now.

- 1. Very happy (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO WINDWHYHAPP)
- 2. Fairly happy (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO WINDWHYHAPP)
- I wouldn't mind either way (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO SOLARFARM)
- 4. Fairly unhappy (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO WINDWHYNO)
- 5. Very unhappy (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO WINDWHYNO)
- Not applicable I don't think this would be possible in my local area (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO SOLARFARM)
- Not applicable I don't know enough about wind farms (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO SOLARFARM)

ASK IF WINDFARM = 1 OR 2 WINDWHYHAPP (Multi)

You said you would be very or fairly happy for **an on-shore wind farm** to be built in your local area. Why is this?

Please select all that apply.

- 1. I think it's important for reducing emissions
- 2. It would provide a sustainable source of power
- 3. I believe it would improve air quality
- 4. I believe renewable energy is cheaper to produce than energy from fossils fuels
- 5. I think it would create jobs
- 6. I think it would benefit the local economy
- 7. I think it would benefit the local community
- 8. I think it would lead to lower dependence on foreign energy sources
- 9. Other reason (please type in) (please specify)
- 98. Don't know (EXCLUSIVE)

PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE: NOW GO SOLARFARM

ASK WINDFARM = 4 OR 5

WINDWHYNO (Multi)

You said you would be very or fairly unhappy about **an on-shore wind farm** being built in your local area. Why is this?

Please select all that apply.

- 1. I don't believe in climate change or the need to reduce carbon emissions
- 2. I'm concerned that renewable energy will be expensive to produce
- 3. I'm concerned about the impact on local plant and animal life
- 4. I don't think it would benefit the local economy
- 5. I don't think it would benefit the local community
- 6. I'm concerned it would impact on the view/be unattractive
- 7. I'm concerned it might affect house prices in my area
- 8. I'm concerned that the energy supply would be unreliable/variable
- 9. I'm concerned about safety
- 10. Other reason (please type in) (please specify)
- 98. Don't know (EXCLUSIVE)

ASK ALL

SOLARFARM (Single)

Now imagine that there are plans for **a solar panel farm** to be constructed in your local area. How happy or unhappy would you be about this?

If you already have this in your local area, answer on the basis of how you feel about this now.

- 1. Very happy (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO SOLARWHYHAPP)
- 2. Fairly happy (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO SOLARWHYHAPP)
- 3. I wouldn't mind either way (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO INTROR1)
- 4. Fairly unhappy (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO SOLWHYNO)
- 5. Very unhappy (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO SOLWHYNO)
- 6. Not applicable I don't think this would be possible in my local area (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO INTROR1)
- Not applicable I don't know enough about solar panel farms (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO INTROR1)

ASK IF SOLARFARM= 1 OR 2 SOLWHYHAPP (*Multi*)

You said you would be very or fairly happy for **a solar panel farm** to be built in your local area. Why is this?

Please select all that apply.

- 1. I think it's important for reducing emissions
- 2. It would provide a sustainable source of power
- 3. I believe it would improve air quality
- 4. I believe renewable energy is cheaper to produce than energy from fossils fuels
- 5. I think it would create jobs
- 6. I think it would benefit the local economy
- 7. I think it would benefit the local community
- 8. I think it would lead to lower dependence on foreign energy sources
- 9. Other reason (please type in) (please specify)
- 98. Don't know (EXCLUSIVE)

PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE: NOW GO TO INTROR1

ASK IF SOLARFARM = 4 OR 5 SOLWHYNO (Multi) You said you would be very or fairly unhappy about **a solar panel farm** being built in your local area. Why is this?

Please select all that apply.

- 1. I don't believe in climate change or the need to reduce carbon emissions
- 2. I'm concerned that renewable energy will be expensive to produce
- 3. I'm concerned about the impact on local plant and animal life
- 4. I don't think it would benefit the local economy
- 5. I don't think it would benefit the local community
- 6. I'm concerned it would impact on the view/be unattractive
- 7. I'm concerned it might affect house prices in my area
- 8. I'm concerned that the energy supply would be unreliable/variable
- 9. I'm concerned about safety
- 11. I'm concerned about the loss in fertile and agricultural land
- 10. Other reason (please type in) (please specify)
- 98. Don't know (EXCLUSIVE)

SECTION E: PROVIDING ENERGY IN THE HOME

ASK ALL

INTROR1 (Display)

Now some questions about ways of providing energy in the home.

ASK ALL

SOLARHOME (Single)

Would you consider having solar panels installed in your current home to generate electricity, in the next few years?

- 1. Definitely (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO SOLARWHYINT)
- 2. Probably (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO SOLARWHYINT)
- 3. Probably not (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO SOLPANWHYNO)
- 4. Definitely not (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO SOLPANWHYNO)
- I already have them installed (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO LCHEATKNOW1-2)
- Not applicable not my decision to make (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO LCHEATKNOW1-2)
- 98. Don't know (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO SOLARENC)

ASK IF SOLARHOME=1, 2 SOLARWHYINT (Multi)

You said that you would consider installing solar panels. Why is this?

Please select all that apply.

- 1. They provide a renewable source of electricity
- 2. They would cut my electricity bills
- 3. They would make me less dependent on the national grid
- 4. They are easy to maintain once installed
- 5. Know someone who has them/recommended them
- 6. It would be possible to sell excess electricity to the national grid
- 7. Other reason (please type in) (please specify)
- 98. Don't know (EXCLUSIVE)

PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE: NOW GO TO SOLARENC

ASK IF SOLARHOME=3, 4 SOLPANWHYNO (Multi) You said that you probably or definitely wouldn't install solar panels. Why is this?

Please select all that apply.

- 1. Not sunny enough in the UK
- 2. Too expensive to install
- 3. Concerned about safety
- 4. They look unsightly
- 5. Wouldn't be suitable in my home
- 6. I'm planning to move home
- 7. Other reason (please type in) (please specify)
- 98. Don't know (EXCLUSIVE)

ASK IF SOLARHOME=1-4, DK SOLARENC (Multi)

Which, if any, of the following might make you personally more likely to consider installing solar panels?

Please select all that apply.

- 1. More information on solar panels and the benefits and drawbacks
- 2. Better financial support for installing solar panels
- 3. Better financial incentives to sell extra electricity to national grid
- 4. A community initiative which encouraged others in my area to do it too
- 5. Guidance on the planning procedures and rules in my local area
- 6. A guarantee scheme to cover any faults or damage (for example, a government backed scheme to cover repairs)
- 7. Information about trusted, reliable installers
- 8. Not applicable (EXCLUSIVE)
- 98. Don't know (EXCLUSIVE)

ASK ALL

LCHEATKNOW1-2 (Grid)

How much would you say you know about the following low carbon heating systems?

- a. **Air source heat pumps** these extract heat from the outside air to heat your home and water.
- b. **Ground source heat pumps** these extract heat from pipes buried in the ground to heat your home and water.
 - 1. Never heard of this

- 2. Hardly anything but I've heard of this
- 3. A little
- 4. A fair amount
- 5. A lot

LCHEATINSTALL1-2 (Grid)

How likely is it that you would install each of the following heating systems in your home when you next need to change your heating system or boiler?

- 1. Air source heat pumps
- 2. Ground source heat pumps
 - 1. Very likely
 - 2. Fairly likely
 - 3. Not very likely
 - 4. Not at all likely
 - 5. Not applicable I already have this installed in my home
 - 6. Not applicable not my decision
 - 7. I don't know enough about this heating system to decide

ASK ALL

NUCLOCALSUPP (Single)

Now imagine that there are plans for a nuclear power station to be constructed in your local area. To what extent would you support or oppose this?

If you already have this in your local area, answer on the basis of how you feel about this now.

- 1. Strongly support (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO NUCWHYHAPP)
- 2. Support (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO NUCWHYHAPP)
- Neither support nor oppose (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO ENERGSAVE)
- 4. Oppose (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO NUCWHYNO)
- 5. Strongly oppose (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO NUCWHYNO)
- 6. Not applicable I don't think this would be possible in my local area (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO ENERGSAVE)
- 7. Not applicable I don't know enough about nuclear power stations (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO ENERGSAVE)

ASK IF SUPPORT NUCLEAR POWER STATION IN LOCAL AREA (NUCLOCALSUPP =1,2)

NUCWHYSUPP (*Multi*)

You said you would support the construction of a nuclear power station to be built in your local area. Why is this?

Please select all that apply.

- 1. I think it's important for reducing emissions
- 2. It would provide a sustainable source of power
- 3. I believe it would improve air quality
- 4. I think it would create jobs
- 5. I think it would benefit the local economy
- 6. I think it would benefit the local community
- 7. I think it would benefit the UK economy
- 8. I think it would lead to lower dependence on foreign energy sources
- 9. Other reason (please type in) (please specify)
- 98. Don't know (EXCLUSIVE)

PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE: GO TO ENERGSAVE

ASK IF NOT SUPPORTIVE ABOUT NUCLEAR POWER STATIONS (NUCLOCALSUPP = 4 OR 5)

NUCWHYNO (Multi)

You said you would oppose the construction of a nuclear power station being built in your local area. Why is this?

Please select all that apply.

- 1. I'm concerned that nuclear power will be expensive to produce
- 2. I'm concerned about the impact on local plant and animal life
- 3. I'm concerned about safety/security
- 4. I don't think it would benefit the local economy
- 5. I don't think it would benefit the local community
- 6. I'm concerned it would impact on the view/be unattractive
- 7. I'm concerned it might affect house prices in my area
- 8. I don't believe in climate change or the need to reduce carbon emissions
- 10. I'm concerned about the disposal of radioactive nuclear waste
- 9. Other reason (please type in) (please specify)
- 98. Don't know (EXCLUSIVE)

SECTION F: ENERGY BILLS

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ASK ALL

ENERGSAVE (Single)

And now some questions about energy use in the home.

How much thought, if any, would you say you give to saving energy in your home?

- 1.A lot
- 2.A fair amount
- 3.Not very much
- 4. None at all

ASK ALL

ENSAVFREQA-E (Grid)

How often, if at all, do you personally do any of the following?

- a) Leave the lights on when you are not in the room
- b) Boil the kettle with more water than you are going to use
- c) Wash clothes at 30 degrees or lower
- d) Try to keep rooms that you are not using at a cooler temperature than those you are using
- e) Leave the heating on when you go out for a few hours
 - 1.Always
 - 2.Very often
 - 3.Quite often
 - 4.Occasionally
 - 5.Never
 - 6.Not applicable to me
 - 98. Don't know

ASK ALL

PAYBILLEN (Single)

Over the last three months, how worried, if at all, have you been about paying for energy bills (gas/electricity)?

- 1. Very worried
- 2. Fairly worried
- 3. Not very worried
- 4. Not at all worried
- 5. Not applicable/Don't know
- 99. Prefer not to say

MOSTWORRY (Single)

Which ONE of the following bills or expenses are you most worried about?

- 1. Energy bills (gas/electricity) (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO WHYWORRYEN)
- 2. Food and other household essentials (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO COSTACTIONS)
- 3. Transport, including petrol/diesel and public transport costs (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO COSTACTIONS)
- Not applicable not worried about any of them (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO COSTACTIONS)
- 5. Not applicable same level of worry for all of them (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO COSTACTIONS)
- 98. Don't know (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO COSTACTIONS)
- 99. Prefer not to say (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO COSTACTIONS)

ASK IF MOSTWORRY=1 WHYWORRYEN (Multi)

You said you were more worried about paying for energy bills compared with food and other household essentials, or transport. Why are you more worried about energy bills?

Please select all that apply.

- 1. Concerned that prices will go up compared to what I have paid in the past 12 months
- 2. Energy bills are/will be more expensive than the other outgoings
- 3. Energy prices have increased more than the other outgoings
- 4. I have less control over energy bills
- 5. Cannot easily go without energy like I can for some of the other outgoings
- 6. Don't know how much energy bill will cost in advance so harder to budget
- 7. Other reason (please type in) (please specify)
- 98. Don't know (EXCLUSIVE)

ASK ALL

COSTACTIONS (Multi)

Which, if any, of the following actions have you taken in recent months because of the increase in the cost of your energy bills?

Please select all that apply.

- 1. I've missed important journeys to save money on fuel or fares
- 2. I've reduced my electricity/heating usage to an uncomfortable level
- 3. I've reduced my electricity/heating usage, but not to an uncomfortable level
- 4. I've used a food bank
- 5. I've skipped meals
- 6. I've fallen behind on paying energy bills
- 7. I've fallen behind on paying other household bills or rent/mortgage
- 8. I've taken out loans or used credit cards more often
- 9. I've asked friends or family for money
- 10. Other (please type in) (please specify)
- 97. None of the above (EXCLUSIVE)
- 98. Don't know (EXCLUSIVE)

ONLINE: SHOW AS TWO QUESTIONS ON SAME SCREEN PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE: SET UP AS GRID

ASK ALL

IMPACTBILLA-B (Grid)

What impact do you think that the UK's move to renewable energy sources might have on people's energy bills in the UK...?

- a. ...In the short term (1-2 years)
- b. ...In the long term (10 or more years)
- 1. The cost of energy bills will go up
- 2. The cost of energy bills will go down
- 3. There will be no change
- 98. Don't know

ASK ALL

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SMARTMET (Single)

The next question is about smart meters.

Smart meters are a type of gas and/or electricity meter which automatically send meter readings to your energy supplier and usually come with a monitor or screen (digital in-home display), that provides information about your energy usage. Smart meters also allow prepayment customers to top up their credit online and over the phone.

Does your household have a smart meter?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No

FLEXENERGYAWARE (Single)

Some energy suppliers offer customers an opportunity to change their electricity use to certain times to receive rewards, such as money off their energy bills, free electricity or vouchers.

These are referred to as flexible energy reward schemes. Suppliers use different names for these schemes, including Saving Sessions, PeakSave and Demand Flexibility Service.

Before today, how much, if anything, did you know about flexible energy reward schemes?

- 1. Never heard of this
- 2. Hardly anything but I've heard of this
- 3. A little
- 4. A fair amount
- 5. A lot

ASK ALL

FLEXENERGYUSE (Single)

How likely are you to use a flexible energy reward scheme?

- 1. Very likely
- 2. Fairly likely
- 3. Not very likely
- 4. Not at all likely
- 5. I already use this type of scheme
- 98. Don't know/not my decision to make

SECTION G: SMRS AND NEW TECHNOLOGY INFORMATION

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ASK ALL

SMRKNOW (Single)

The next question is about Small Modular Reactors.

These are new types of nuclear reactors, similar to the ones in existing nuclear power stations, but on a smaller scale. They can be used for electricity generation, to provide industry with heat and power, or to provide energy to UK communities not connected to the national gas grid.

Before today, how much, if anything, did you know about Small Modular Reactors?

- 1. Never heard of this
- 2. Hardly anything but I've heard of this
- 3. A little
- 4. A fair amount
- A lot

ASK ALL

NEWTECHTRUST (Grid)

How much do you trust each of the following to provide accurate information about new and emerging energy sources such as fusion energy and hydrogen energy?

- 1. Newspapers or newspaper websites
- 2. TV news such as BBC, ITV, Sky, C4
- 3. Social media (for example, YouTube, Facebook, Tik Tok, Instagram, X (formerly Twitter), Reddit)
- 4. TV and radio documentaries
- 5. UK Government
- 6. Scientists/Scientific organisations
- 7. Charities, Environmental or Campaign groups
 - 1. Trust a great deal
 - 2. Trust to some extent
 - 3. Do not have much trust
 - 4. Do not trust at all
 - 98. Don't know

SECTION H: CLOSING DEMOGRAPHICS

ADD TIME STAMP

ASK ALL

INTROD3 (Display)

Finally, a few questions about you and your circumstances.

All the answers you give will be kept completely confidential and will be used for research purposes only, to help us categorise the answers you have already given.

We appreciate these questions may be sensitive and therefore, if you would prefer not to answer a question, you have the option to [Web: select this at most questions] [PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE: leave it blank].

ASK ALL

TENURE (Single)

Does your household own or rent the accommodation where you live?

- 1. Own outright (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO ACCOMTYPE)
- 2. Own with a mortgage or loan (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO ACCOMTYPE)
- Part-own and part rent (shared ownership) (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO LANDLORD)
- Rent it (with or without housing benefit) (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO LANDLORD)
- 5. Live here rent-free (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO LANDLORD)

ASK IF RENTING (TENURE=3-5)

LANDLORD (Single)

Who is your landlord?

- 1. The local authority or council or ALMO
- 2. A housing association, RSL, charitable trust or Local Housing Company
- 3. Employer (organisation) of a household member
- 4. Another organisation
- 5. Relative or acquaintance of any current household member from before this tenancy started
- 6. Employer (individual) of a household member
- 7. Another individual private landlord

ASK ALL (WEB ONLY)

ACCOMTYPE (Single)

Do you (and your household) live in...

- 1. A house or bungalow detached
- 2. A house or bungalow semi-detached
- 3. A house or bungalow terraced (including end-terrace)
- 4. A self-contained flat, maisonette or apartment
- 5. Caravan or other mobile or temporary structure
- 6. Some other type of accommodation

ASK IF FLAT (ACCOMTYPE=4) (WEB ONLY)

ACCOMTYPE2 (Single)

Is the flat, maisonette or apartment...

- 1. In a purpose-built block of flats or tenement
- 2. Part of a converted or shared house (including bedsits)
- 3. Part of another converted building (for example, former school, church or warehouse)
- 4. In a commercial building (for example, in an office building, hotel, or over shop)

PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE VERSION - SET UP AS FOLLOWS

A whole house or bungalow that is:
☐ detached
□ semi-detached
terraced (including end-terrace)
A flat, maisonette or apartment that is:
in a purpose-built block of flats or tenement
part of a converted or shared house (including bedsits)
part of another converted building (for example, former school, church or warehouse)
in a commercial building (for example, in an office building, hotel, or over a shop)
A mobile or temporary structure:
a caravan or other mobile or temporary structure
☐ Some other type of accommodation

HIGHQUAL (Single)

What is your highest qualification?

Please include your highest educational, professional or vocational qualification.

- 1. Degree level or above
- 2. Another kind of qualification
- 3. No qualifications
- 98. Don't know
- 99. Prefer not to say

ASK ALL

INTERNET (Single)

How often do you use the internet?

- 1. Almost all the time
- 2. Many times a day
- 3. About once a day
- 4. Several times a week
- 5. Less often
- 6. Never

ASK ALL

WORKSTAT (Single)

What is your current working status?

- Working full time (30 or more hours a week) (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO EMPSE)
- Working part time (less than 30 hours a week) (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO EMPSE)
- On maternity or paternity leave (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, GO TO EMPSE)
- 5. On government supported training (PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE, REST OF OPTIONS 5 to 11 JOBEVER)
- 6. Unemployed and available for work
- 7. Wholly retired from work
- 8. Full-time education at school, college or university
- 9. Looking after home or family
- 10. Permanently sick or disabled
- 11. Doing something else
- 99. Prefer not to say

ASK IF NUMADULTS=2+

PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE: ASK ALL

HHRESP (Single)

Which of the following best describes who is mainly responsible for decisions about this household, for example paying household bills or choosing a provider for energy or broadband?

- 1. Me only
- 2. Somebody else (for example spouse/partner/parent/another adult)
- 3. I share responsibility with somebody else
- 98. Don't know

ASK ALL

ETHNIC (Single)

What is your ethnic group?

White

- 1. English or Welsh or Scottish or Northern Irish or British
- 2. Irish
- 3. Gypsy or Irish Traveller
- 4. Any other White background (please type in) (please specify) *Open

Mixed or Multiple ethnic groups

- 5. White and Black Caribbean
- 6. White and Black African
- 7. White and Asian
- 8. Any other mixed or multiple ethnic background (please type in) (please specify) *Open

Asian or Asian British

- 9. Indian
- 10. Pakistani
- 11. Bangladeshi
- 12. Chinese
- 13. Any other Asian background (please type in) (please specify) *Open

Black or Black British

- 14. African
- 15. Caribbean
- 16. Any other Black or African or Caribbean background (please type in) (please specify) *Open

Other ethnic group

- 17. Arab
- 18. Any other ethnic group (please type in) (please specify) *Open
- 98. Don't know
- 99. Prefer not to say

ASK ALL

IncIntro (Display)

The next questions are on income. This includes earnings from employment or selfemployment, income from benefits and pensions, and income from other sources such as interest from savings.

It is important for us to collect this so we can understand how it influences people's experiences. All the information collected in this survey is completely confidential and will only be used for the purposes of producing statistics.

ASK ALL

INCOMEBAND (Single)

Which of the following best describes your total annual **personal** income before tax?

1. £0-£14,999

- 2. £15,000-£29,999
- 3. £30,000-£44,999
- 4. £45,000 or more
- 98. Don't know
- 99. Prefer not to say

FINHARD (Single)

How well would you say you are managing financially these days?

Would you say you are...

- 1. Living comfortably
- 2. Doing alright
- 3. Just about getting by
- 4. Finding it quite difficult
- 5. Finding it very difficult
- 98. Don't know
- 99. Prefer not to say

QFraud (Open) (WEB VERSION)

Thank you. You are nearly at the end of the survey.

The DESNZ Public Attitudes Tracker is conducted on behalf of HM Government. The quality of the data is very important so please type in your full name to confirm that you answered the questions as accurately as possible and that the answers reflect your own personal views. Then select the statement underneath to confirm you are ready to submit.

Confirm full name	

 I confirm that all of my answers were given honestly and represent my own views

[WEB: In order to proceed, please make it mandatory for respondents to enter their name and check the "I confirm" option.]

(ADD THE BELOW FOR POSTAL ONLY)

Q51	51 As a thank you for returning a completed version of this questionnaire, a £5 shopping voucher will be posted to your address within 5 working days. In order for us to address the voucher to you personally, please enter your full name in the box below. First name																	
	Last r	name																

QFraud (Open) (POSTAL VERSION)

Finally, before submitting your response to this survey, please sign your name to confirm that you answered the questions as accurately as possible and that answers reflected your own personal views.

I confirm that I answered the questions as accurately as possible and that the answers reflect my own personal views.

BOX FOR SIGNATURE

BOX FOR DATE

Thank you for completing the questionnaire. Please return it to us in the envelope provided.

ASK ALL (WEB ONLY)

MERIT (Display)

Thank you for completing the survey, please click next to submit your responses and to claim your voucher. If you wish to review or edit any of your previous answers please do not progress to the next question as this will submit your answers. Once your answers are submitted you will not be able to review or amend them.

ASK ALL (WEB ONLY)

MERITCLAIM (Open)

To thank you for completing the survey we would like to give you a £5 gift voucher. You can claim your voucher immediately by following the instructions on the next screen.

We would also like to send you a copy of your voucher and these instructions via email. Please enter your email address below and we will send you an email containing your unique voucher code, and instructions for redeeming it, within the next 24 hours.

Your email address will be kept confidential and will not be used for any marketing purposes.

- 1. ENTER EMAIL ADDRESS
- 2. I do not wish to provide an email address
- 3. I do not have an email address
- 4. I do not wish to claim a voucher

IF PROVIDED EMAIL ADDRESS (MERITCLAIM=1)

MERITCLAIM2 (Open)

Please confirm your email address below.

Your email address will be kept confidential and will not be used for any marketing purposes.

ENTER EMAIL ADDRESS

ASK IF MERITCLAIM=1,2,3 MERITCLAIM3

Your unique voucher code is: [Merit Voucher Code]

[IF MERITCLAIM=2,3 (NO EMAIL ADDRESS PROVIDED): To redeem your £5 gift voucher immediately, please **make a note of your voucher** code and follow the instructions below:]

[IF MERITCLAIM=1 (EMAIL ADDRESS PROVIDED): We will send an email confirming your voucher code, and instructions for redeeming it, within 24 hours. However, you are still able to redeem your voucher immediately by following the instructions below:]

- 1. Click on the link below to be taken to Merit Incentives.
- 2. Your voucher code will appear on screen (if for any reason it is not there, please copy it from above and paste in).
- 3. Click 'Yes' to proceed and select a voucher from the options available in the catalogue.
- 4. Choose the value of the voucher you want to redeem, enter your email to receive it digitally, and click on 'Redeem now'.
- 5. The voucher will be available in the 'My wallet' section and will be sent to you by email (if you chose to receive it that way).
- 6. You will be able to see your remaining balance in the top-right corner.

To submit your survey and access the unique link where you can claim your £5 gift voucher immediately, please click the link below.

[Merit_Link]

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the DESNZ Public Attitudes Tracker information line at Verian on 0800 051 0887 or email patsurvey@veriangroup.com.

ASK ALL

Closing Screen (Text)

Thank you for participating in the Public Attitudes Tracker Survey.

Please click the "Next" button to submit your survey.

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