



Eastern Region Membership Survey – Nov 2020
RESULTS

Summary

- There was a response rate of 22.5%.
- The survey concentrated on the pandemic as it was felt important to understand the range of opinions within the region's membership.
- Broadly, there is majority dissatisfaction with the performance of the govt, a majority support for the first lockdown but not for the second - and certainly none for a third.
- There is little confidence in SAGE, and an unhappiness with government rule by decree.

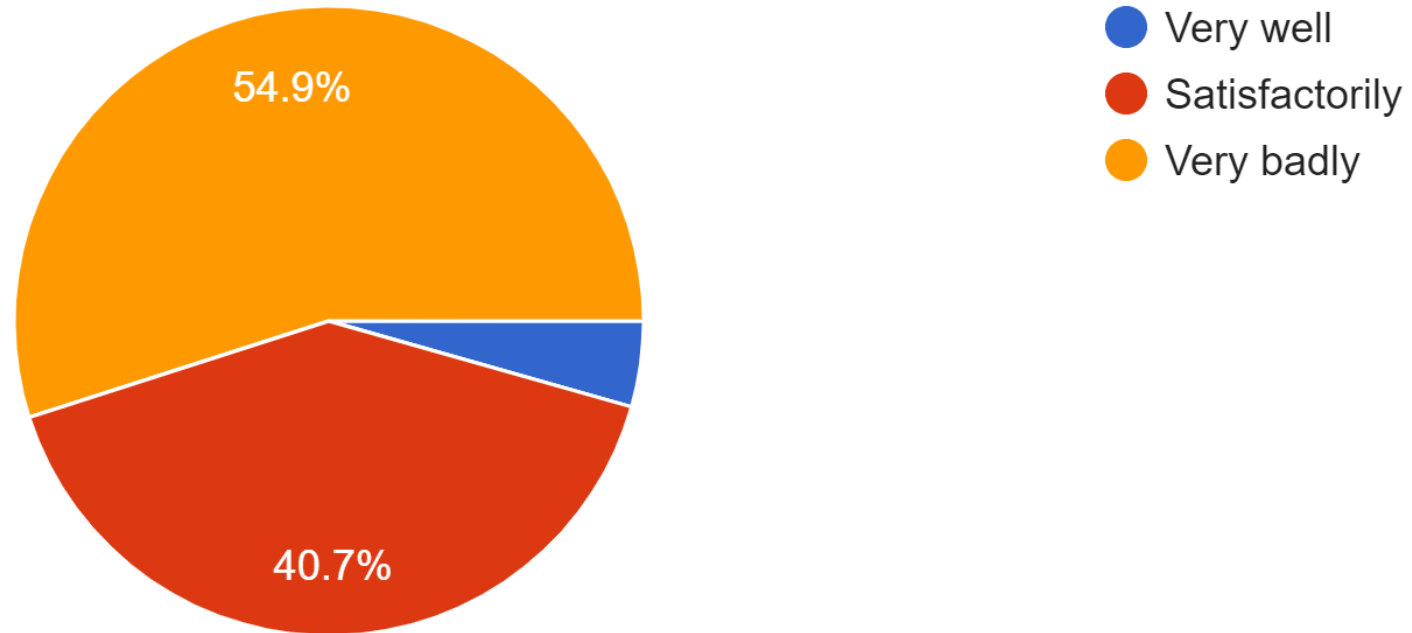
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Summary (cont)

- The final free text question revealed that the top 6 biggest issues concerning members OTHER than COVID-19 and Brexit are:
 1. Immigration (overwhelmingly)
 2. Get tougher on crime
 3. Protect free speech
 4. Boost the economy
 5. Support the NHS
 6. Abolish or reform House of Lords
- Despite distilling down lots of free text answers into groups e.g. 'Abolish the House of Lords' was grouped with 'Reform of the HoL', there are 78 values in total, showing a wide range of issues that concern members.

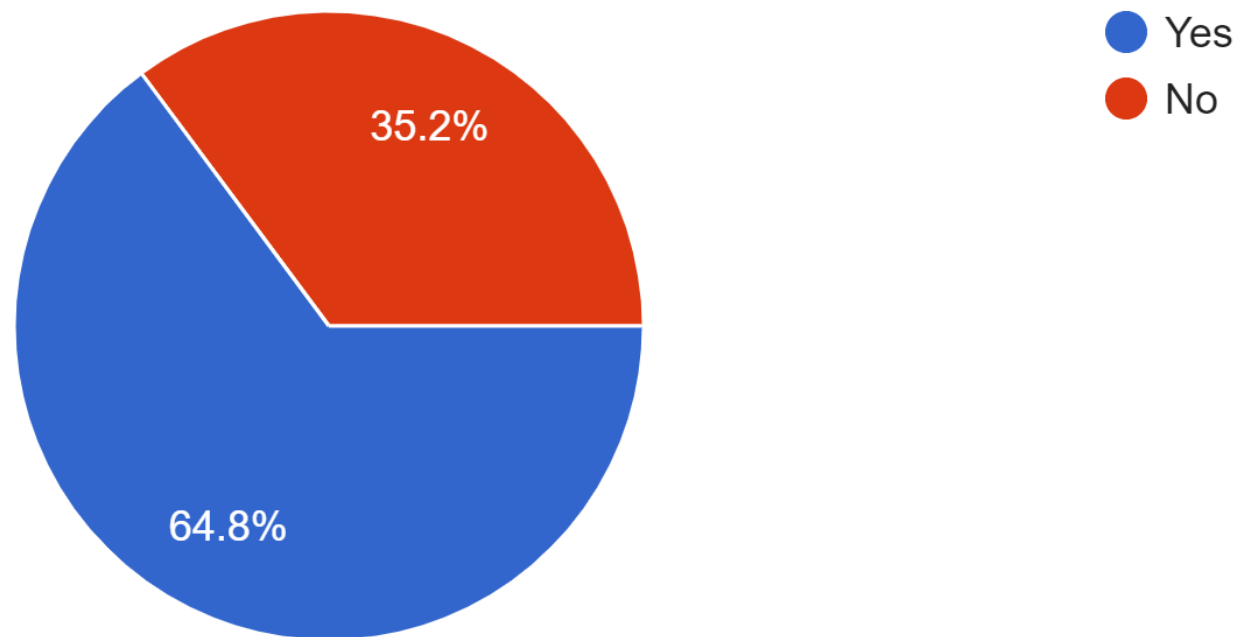
1. Coronavirus has had a devastating impact on our economy and society. How do you think the UK government has handled the crisis?

91 responses



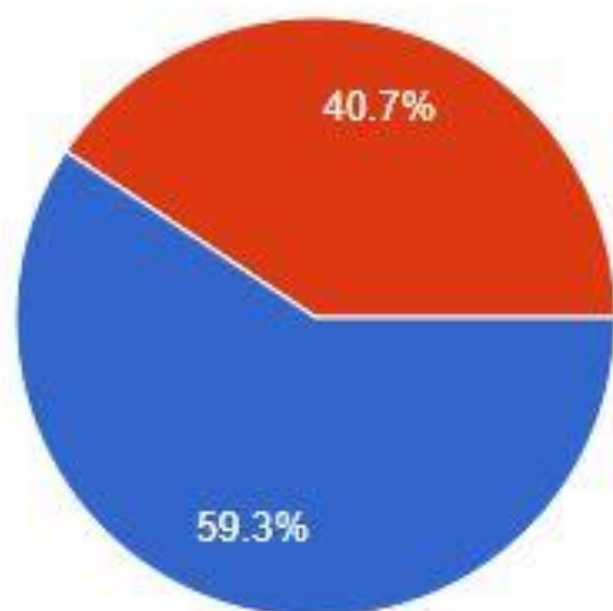
2. Did / do you agree with the government decision to go into the initial lockdown on 24th March?

91 responses



3. The first lockdown was eased in mid-May but it was only ended really in early July when pubs re-opened and people were allowed to travel again. Regardless of your answer in 2), do you think it went on too long?

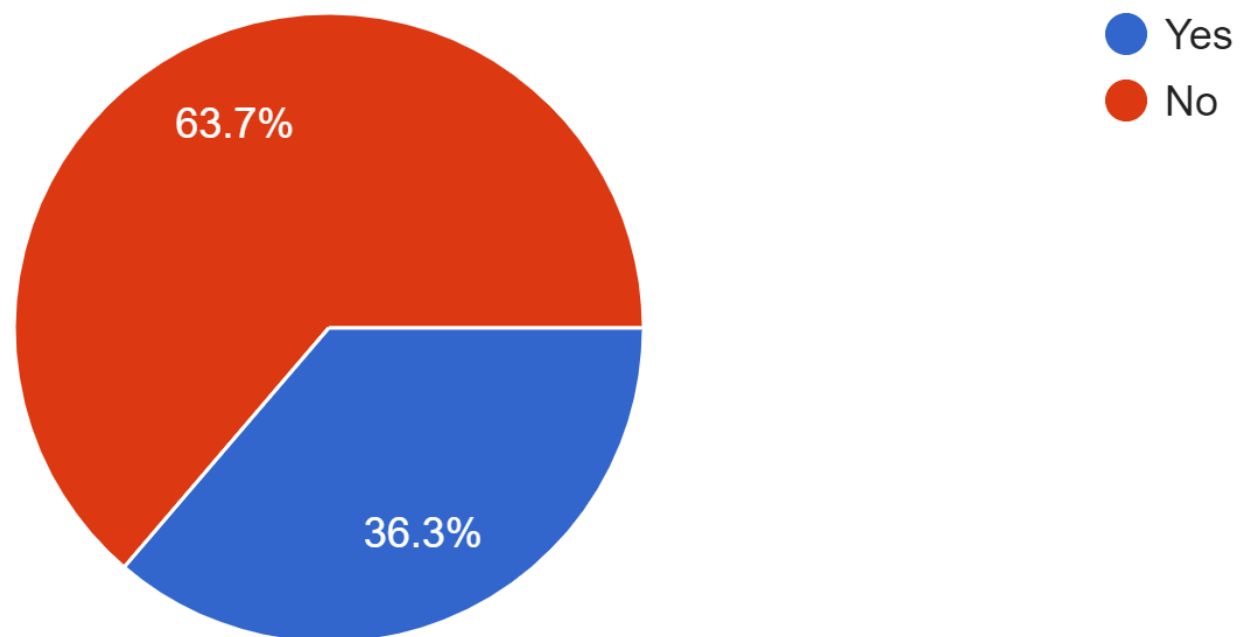
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- Yes, it went on too long
- No, its duration was about right

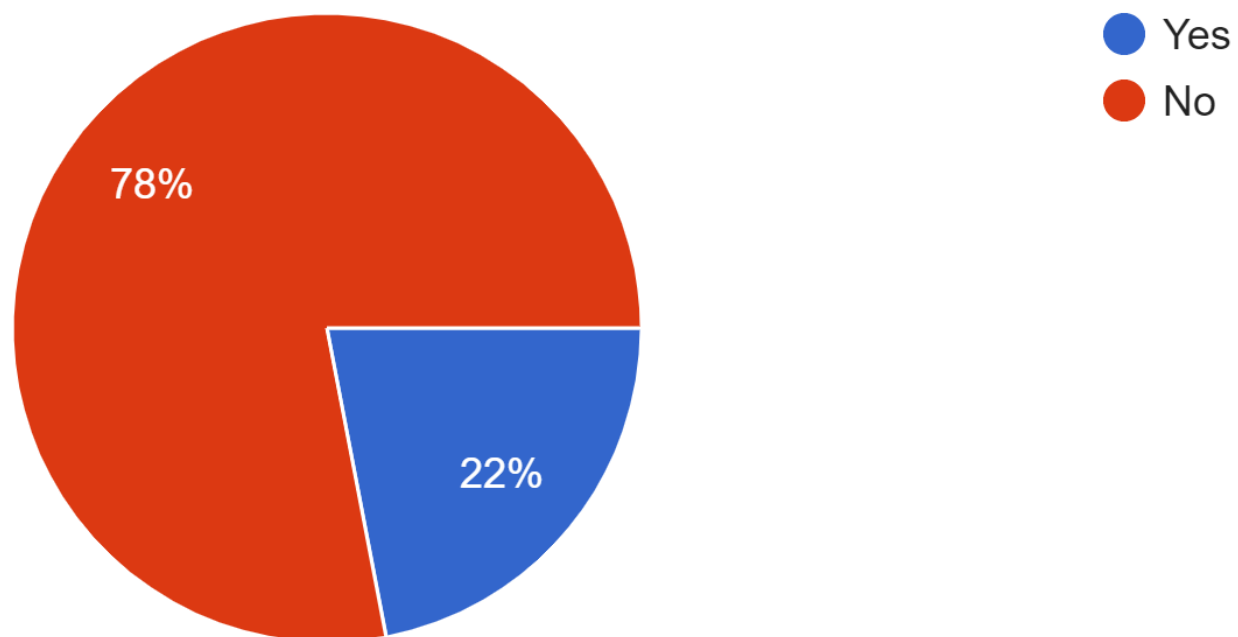
4. The UK was put into its second lockdown on 5th November and it is due to end on 2nd December. Do you agree with the decision to enter a second lockdown?

91 responses



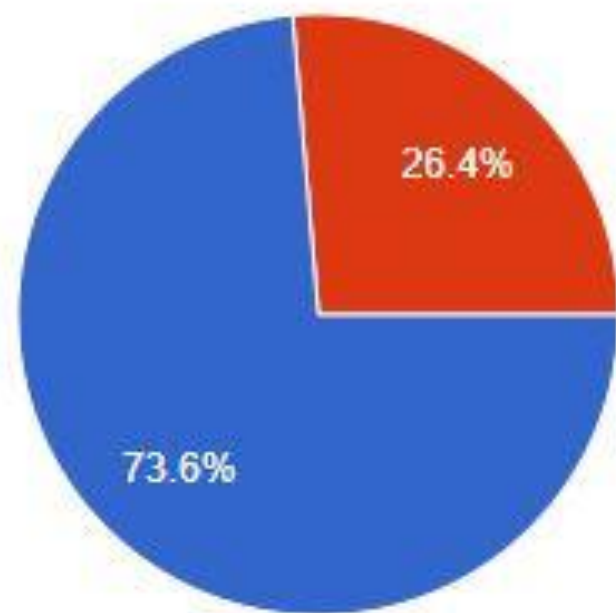
5. Do you have confidence in the advice that the Scientific Advisory Group for Emergencies (SAGE) provides to the government?

91 responses



6. Do you believe that the government pays too much attention to SAGE's advice and should take more consideration of other factors like the economy, jobs, people's welfare and civil rights when making decisions on what restrictions are placed on the people?

91 responses



- Govt pays too much attention to SAGE
- Govt should continue to follow the science and take SAGE's advice

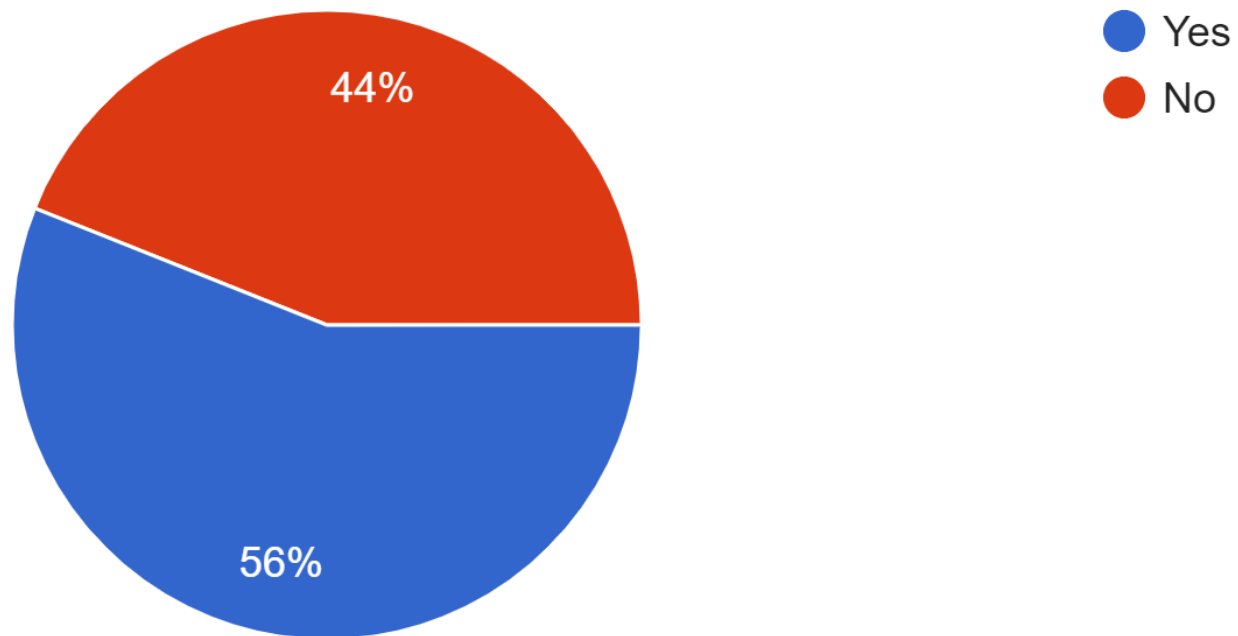
7. Under the Coronavirus Act 2020, the government rules by decree and it is only recently that it has agreed to hold votes on major restriction changes. The vote on the second lockdown is one example. Have you been comfortable with this situation since March?

91 responses



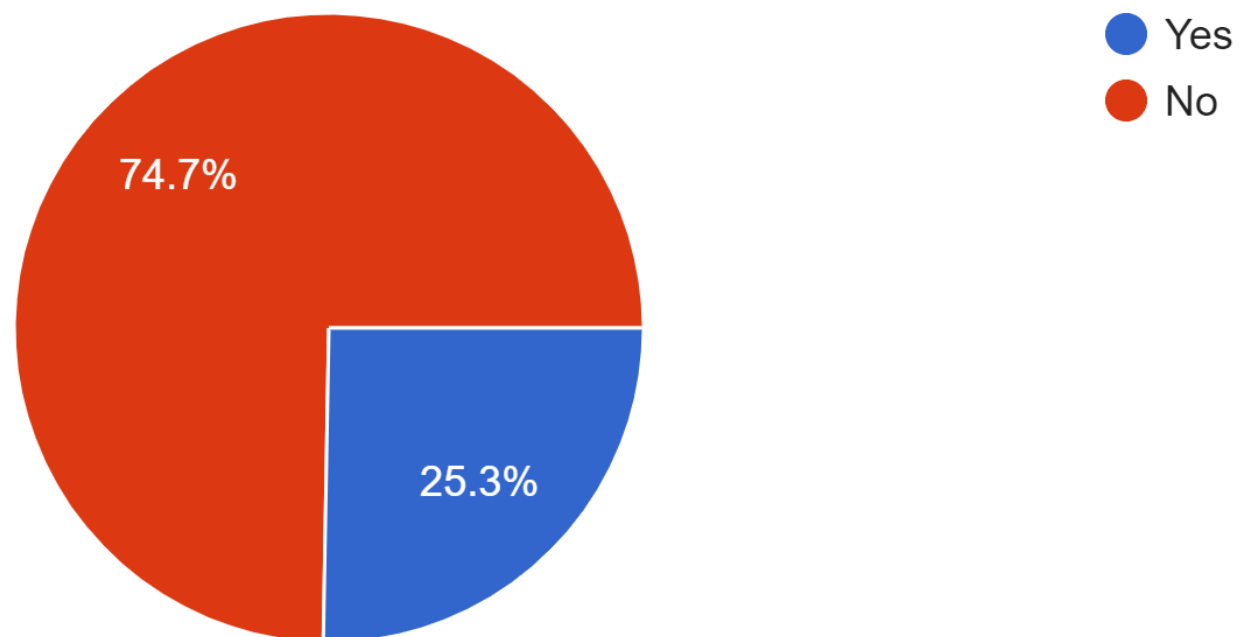
8. Have you heard of the Great Barrington Declaration?

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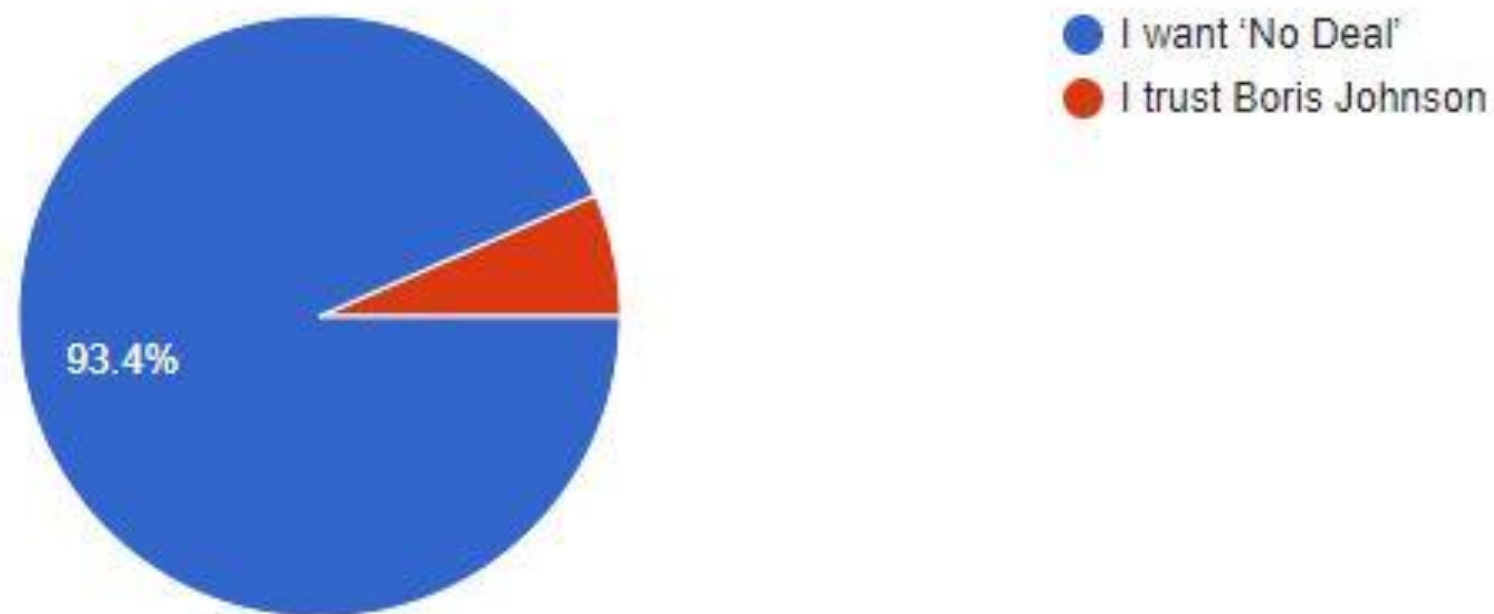
9. Do you agree that England should go into a third lockdown if the government and Parliament deems it necessary?

91 responses



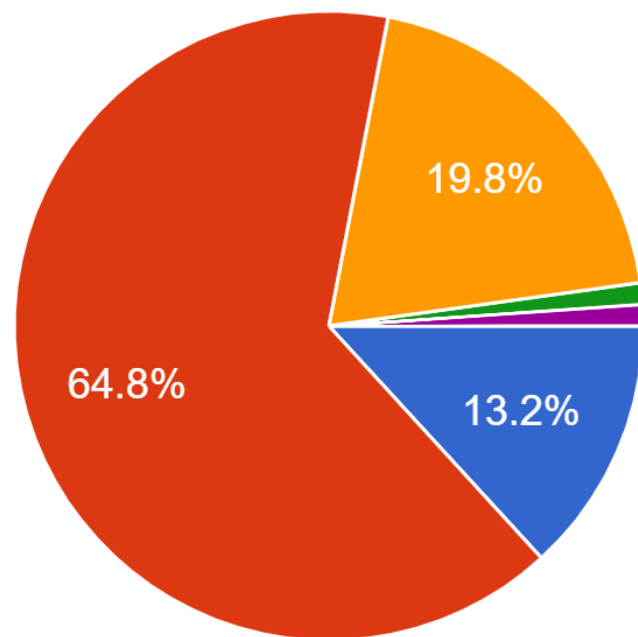
10. Would you prefer a 'No Deal' Brexit or are you confident that the Johnson government will negotiate one that delivers on the terms of the EU referendum and makes us a truly independent state once again?

91 responses



11. How often do you visit the UKIP website?

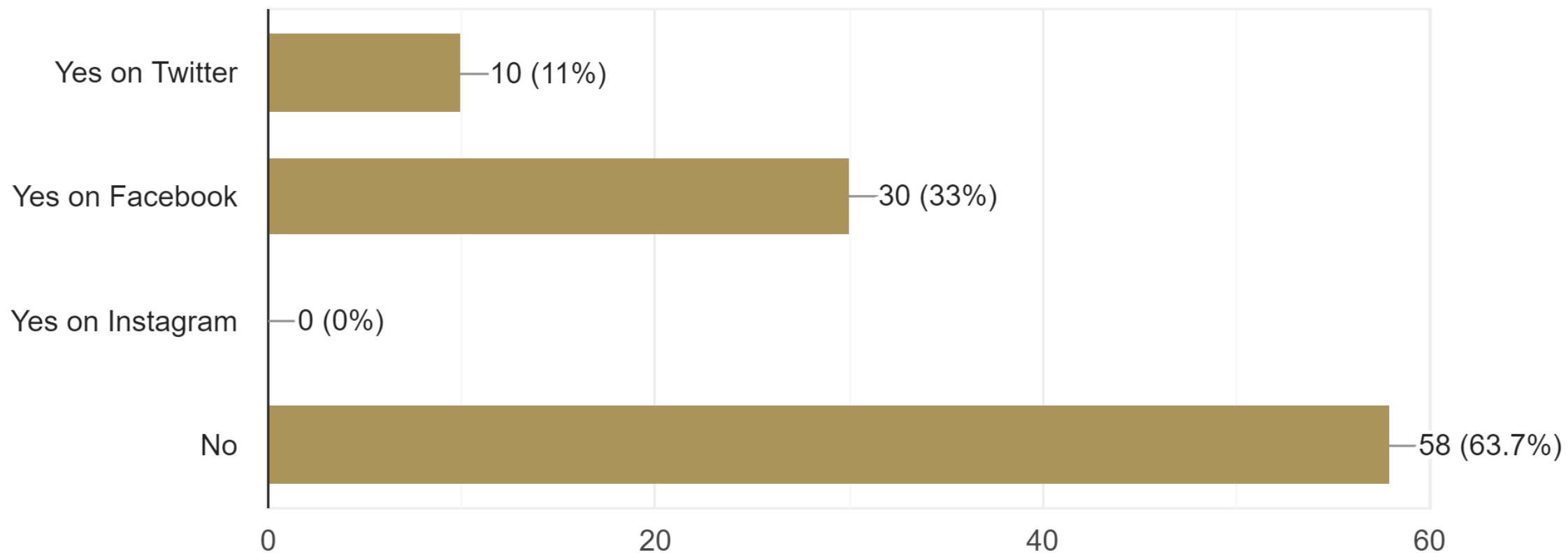
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- Frequently
- Sometimes
- Never
- not very often
- i rely on emails from Head Office and Branch

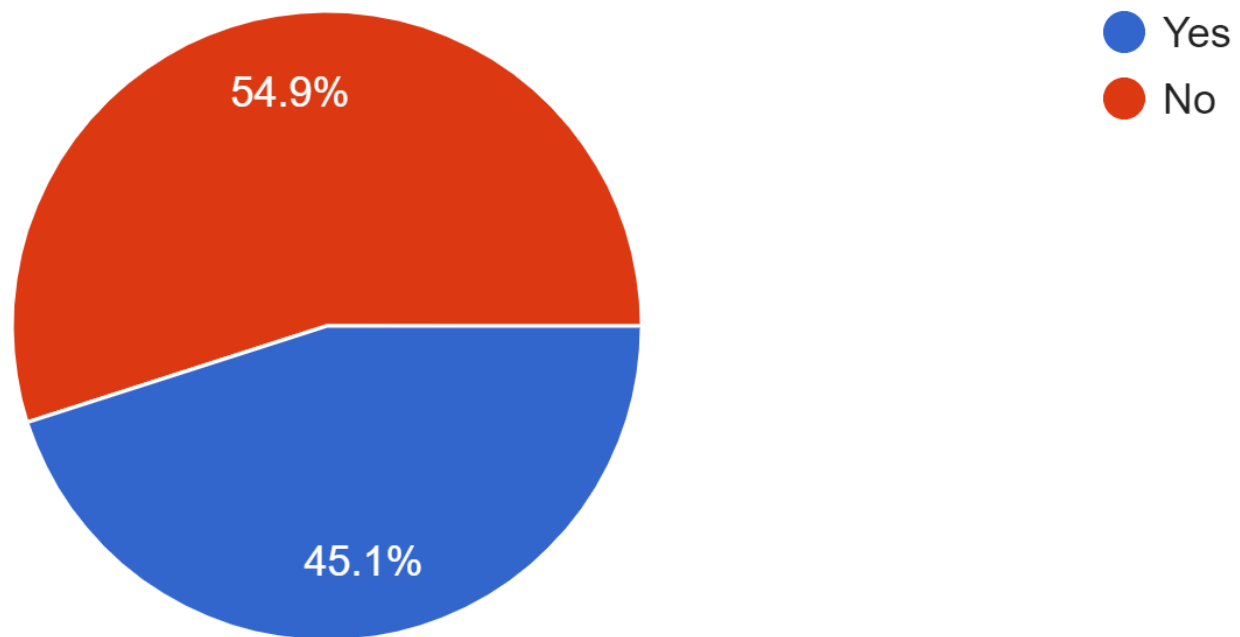
12. Do you follow UKIP on social media? (check all that apply)

91 responses



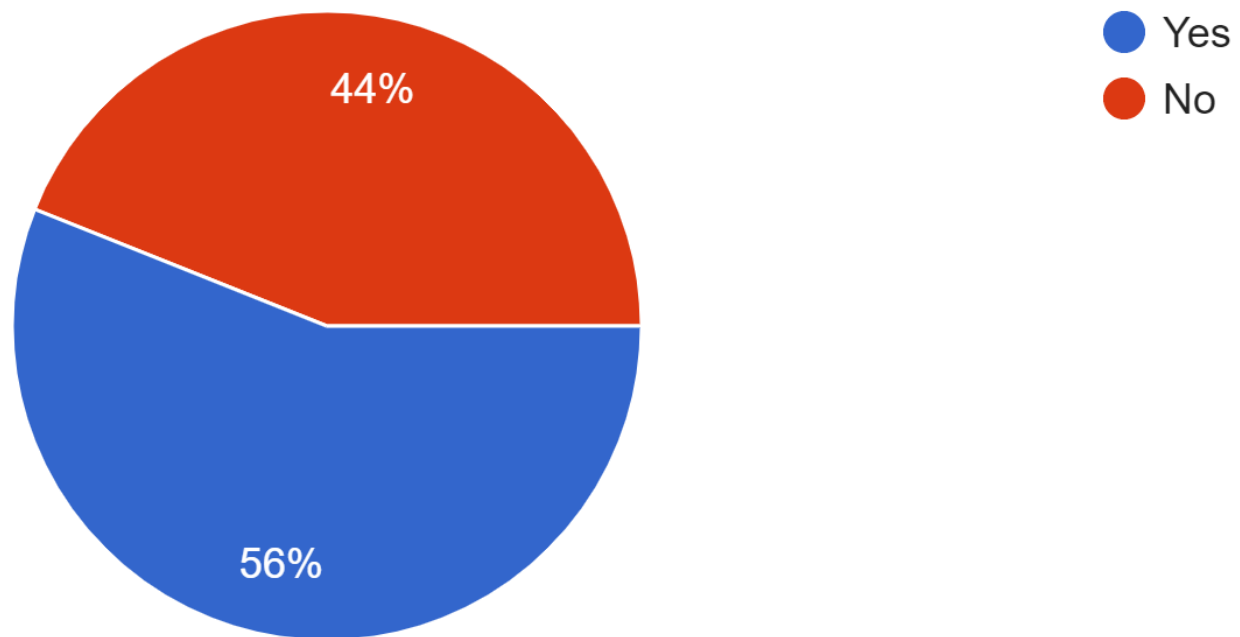
13. Do you think UKIP consults its members enough when forming policies?

91 responses



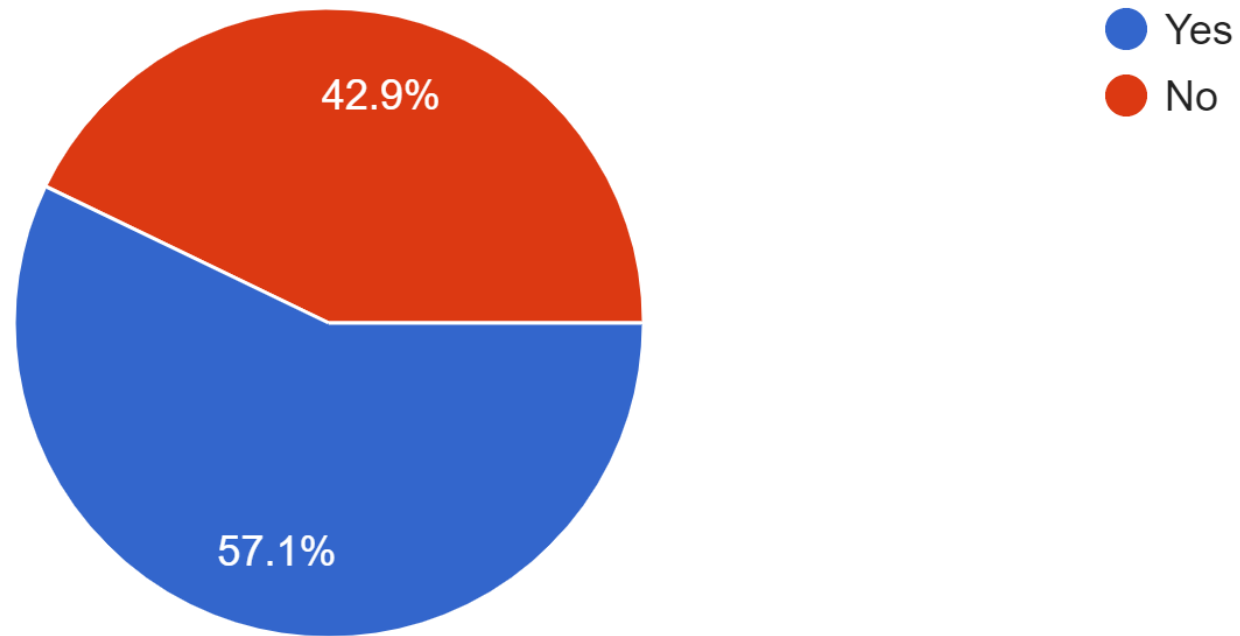
14. Do you receive enough communications from your UKIP branch?

91 responses



15. Do you receive enough communications from the UKIP leadership?

91 responses



16. Besides Brexit and Coronavirus, what are the four other most important issues that UKIP should be concerned with? (state very briefly e.g. 1. Immigration')

