Absolutes/col percents

Table 1
Q.1 To what extent do you think farmers are important or not important to the UK economy and way of life?
Base: All respondents

			Ge	ender			,	\ge				Socia	l Grade							R	egion							oyment ctor
		Total	Male _(a)_	Female (b)	18-24 (d)	25-34 (e)	35-44 (f)	45-54 (g)	55-64 (h)	65+ (i)	AB (j)	C1 _(k)	C2 _(l)	DE _(m)	Scot- land _(n)_	North East (o)	North West (p)	York- shire & Humb- erside (q)	West Mid- lands _(r)_	East Mid- lands (s)	Wales (t)	East- ern (u)	London (v)	South East (w)	South West (x)	North- ern Ire- land (y)	Public (A)	Pri- vate (B)
Unweighted base		2084	1044	1040	264	327	328	350	309	506	564	613	357	550	192	79	225	187	176	142	103	202	265	274	185	54	265	833
Weighted base		2084	1015	1069	242	361	342	371	300	468	560	561	454	509	176	85*	232	172	182	150	103*	196	267	283	178	61*	294	885
NET: Important		1984 95%	971 96%	1013 95%	224 93%	337 93%	318 93%	351 95%	296 98%def g	459 f 98%d g	535 ef 96%	535 95%	425 94%	488 96%	165 94%	80 94%	227 98%	162 s 94%	176 97%	139 93%	98 95%	188 96%	251 94%	271 96%	171 96%	57 94%	280 95%	829 94%
Very important	(4)	1430 69%	681 67%	749 70%	134 55%	214 59%	217 63%	264 71%de	227 76%def	374 f 80%d g	375 ef 67%	373 66%	311 69%	370 73%ŀ	126 < 72%	57 67%	150 64%	114 67%	118 65%	108 72%	67 65%	140 72%	175 65%	195 69%	130 73%	49 82%p	181 rv 61%	561 63%
Quite important	(3)	555 27%	290 29%	265 25%	90 37%g	123 hi 34%	101 ghi 30%i	87 24%	68 23%	84 18%	160 29%	162 29%	114 m 25%	118 23%	39 22%	23 27%	77 33%ı y	47 nsx 28%	58 y 32%s	31 sy 20%	30 30%y	47 24%	76 29%y	76 / 27%	41 23%	8 13%	99 34%	268 30%
Not very important	(2)	51 2%	26 3%	25 2%	9 4%i	8 2%	13 4%i	13 4%i	4 1%	3 1%	20 3%	9 2%	14 3%	8 2%	7 4%	1 w 1%	3 1%	7 4%	3 w 2%	3 2%	5 5%p	6 w 3%	10 w 4%v	1 v *	5 3%w	1 v 1%	10 3%	28 3%
Not at all important	(1)	5 *	4	1	1	-	2 1%	2	-	-	2	1	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	-	3 1%	-	-	1	3
NET: Not important		56 3%	29 3%	27 2%	11 4%i	8 2%	15 4%hi	15 4%i	4 1%	3 1%	22 4%l	10 c 2%	14 3%	9 2%	7 4%	1 1%	3 1%	7 4%	4 2%	3 2%	5 5%w	6 / 3%	10 4%	4 1%	5 3%	1 1%	11 4%	31 4%
Don't know		44 2%	15 1%	29 3%	7 3%h	16 4%	10 ghi 3%h	5 1%	*	6 1%	3 1%	15 3%	15 j 3%j	11 2%j	3 2%	4 5%	2 pt 1%	3 2%	2 1%	8 5%p	- otu -	2 1%	6 2%	8 3%	3 1%	3 5%	4 1%	25 3%
Mean		3.67	3.65	3.69	3.52	3.59	3.60	3.68d	3.74de f	3.80de fg	3.63	3.66	3.68	3.72j	3.69	3.70	3.63	3.64	3.63	3.74	3.60	3.69	3.63	3.69	3.71	3.84pq rtv	3.58	3.61
Standard deviation Standard error		0.53 0.01	0.55 0.02	0.52 0.02	0.60 0.04	0.54 0.03	0.60 0.03	0.56 0.03	0.47 0.03	0.41 0.02	0.57 0.02	0.52 0.02	0.53 0.03	0.50 0.02	0.55 0.04	0.48 0.06	0.52 0.03	0.56 0.04	0.53 0.04	0.49 0.04	0.59 0.06	0.54 0.04	0.56 0.03	0.53 0.03	0.51 0.04	0.41 0.06	0.58 0.04	0.57 0.02



Table 2
Q.3 To what extent, do you think it is important or not important that the UK produces its own food?
Base: All respondents

Absolutes/col percents

			Ge	ender			,	Age				Social	Grade					Vaul			Regio	n						oyment ctor
		Total	Male (a)	Female (b)	18-24 (d)	25-34 (e)	35-44 (f)	45-54 (g) -	55-64 (h)	65+ (i)	AB (j)	C1 (k)	C2 _(l)_	DE _(m)	Scot- land (n)	North East (o)		York- shire & Humb- erside (q)	West Mid- lands (r)	East Mid- lands (s)	Wales (t)	East- ern (u)	London (v)	South East _(w)_	South West (x)	North- ern Ire- land (y)	Public (A)	Pri- vate (B)
Unweighted base		2084	1044	1040	264	327	328	350	309	506	564	613	357	550	192	79	225	187	176	142	103	202	265	274	185	54	265	833
Weighted base		2084	1015	1069	242	361	342	371	300	468	560	561	454	509	176	85*	232	172	182	150	103*	196	267	283	178	61*	294	885
NET: Important		2009 96%	976 96%	1033 97%	220 91%	342 95%	324 95%	363 98%df	297 99%de	463 f 99%d	540 lef 96%	541 96%	435 96%	493 97%	169 96%	83 98%	224 96%	165 96%	177 97%	140 94%	98 96%	190 97%	257 96%	273 97%	172 97%	61 100%	283 96%	845 6 95%
Very important	(4)	1555 75%	754 74%	802 75%	139 58%	239 66%	243 71%d	292 79%de	249 f 83%de	392 of 84%o	401 lef 72%	422 75%	337 74%	395 78%j	137 78%	63 v 75%	177 76%	129 v 75%	129 71%	113 75%	76 74%	143 73%	178 67%	215 76%v	138 78%v	56 92%no qrstuv wx	211 pp 72%	629 6 71%
Fairly important	(3)	454 22%	223 22%	231 22%	81 33%fo i	103 gh 28%g	80 hi 24%hi	71 19%	48 16%	71 15%	139 25%	119 m 21%	98 22%	98 19%	32 18%	19 23%	46 20%	36 21%	47 26%	28 y 18%	22 21%	47 24%)	79 / 30%n wxy	58 ps 21%	34 19%	5 8%	71 24%	216 6 24%
Not very important	(2)	42 2%	23 2%	19 2%	7 3%i	9 3%i	14 4%hi	6 2%	2 1%	3 1%	17 3%	9 2%	8 2%	9 2%	5 3%	1 1%	3 1%	6 4%	3 2%	4 2%	5 4%	3 2%	4 2%	4 2%	4 2%	-	10 3%	20 6 2%
Not at all important	(1)	6	3	3	4 2%e	- fi -	-	1	1	-	1	1	-	3 1%	-	-	3 1%	*	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	4
NET: Not important		47 2%	25 3%	22 2%	11 4%h	9 i 3%i	14 4%hi	7 2%	3 1%	3 1%	17 3%	10 2%	8 2%	12 2%	5 3%	1 1%	6 3%	7 4%	3 2%	4 2%	5 4%	3 2%	6 2%	5 2%	4 2%	-	11 4%	23 3%
Don't know		27 1%	13 1%	14 1%	11 5%fç	10 ghi 3%g	4 hi 1%	1	-	1	2	10 2%	11 2%	4 j 1%	2 1%	1 2%	3 1%	-	3 1%	6 4%0	- 7 -	2 1%	4 1%	5 2%	2 1%	-	1	17 2%
Mean		3.73	3.72	3.74	3.54	3.66d	3.68d	3.77de f	3.81de f	3.84de fg	3.69	3.74	3.74	3.75	3.76v	3.75	3.73	3.71	3.71	3.76	3.70	3.72	3.65	3.75v	3.77v	3.92no pqrstu vwx	3.68	3.69
Standard deviation Standard error		0.50 0.01	0.51 0.02	0.50 0.02	0.64 0.04	0.53 0.03	0.55 0.03	0.47 0.03	0.43 0.02	0.39 0.02	0.53 0.02			0.51 0.02	0.49 0.04	0.45 0.05	0.55 0.04	0.54 0.04	0.49 0.04	0.49 0.04	0.55 0.05	0.49 0.03	0.54 0.03	0.49 0.03	0.47 0.03	0.28 0.04		0.53 0.02



Absolutes/col percents

Table 3

Q.5 Populations worldwide are growing, while the available land to grow crops is reducing. One solution to ensure we have enough food is to reduce crops' vulnerability to disease through genetically modified (GM) crops which have extra genes inserted into them. Based on what you know about genetically modified crops, which of the below best describes your views about the development of GM foods? Base: All respondents

		Ge	nder			Ag	е				Social	Grade							Re	gion						Employ Sec	
	Total	Male (a)	Female (b)	18-24 (d)	25-34 (e)	35-44 (f)	45-54 (g)	55-64 (h)	65+ (i)	AB (j)	C1 _(k)	C2 (l)	DE _(m)_	Scot- land (n)	North East (o)	North West (p)	York- shire & Humb- erside (q)	West Mid- lands (r)	East Mid- lands (s)	Wales (t)	East- ern (u)	London (v)	South East (w)	South West (x)	North- ern Ire- land (y)	Public (A)	Pri- vate _(B)_
Unweighted base	2084	1044	1040	264	327	328	350	309	506	564	613	357	550	192	79	225	187	176	142	103	202	265	274	185	54	265	833
Weighted base	2084	1015	1069	242	361	342	371	300	468	560	561	454	509	176	85*	232	172	182	150	103*	196	267	283	178	61*	294	885
I think they are the only way forward	201 10%	124 12%b	77 7%	38 16%g	40 hi 11%	36 11%	27 7%	27 9%	34 7%	55 10%	53 9%	51 11%	42 8%	17 10%	10 11%	21 9%	16 9%	18 10%	11 7%	10 10%	18 9%	37 14%y	23 8%	19 11%	2 3%	27 9%	99 11%
I agree with them in principle, provided there are no negative consequences related to health or the environment	1120 54%	606 60%b	514 0 48%	138 57%g	199 55%	179 52%	177 48%	164 55%	262 56%g	339 60%k	290 cm 52%	244 54%	248 49%	101 58%	47 55%	133 57%	100 58%	95 52%	80 54%	59 57%	100 51%	133 50%	142 50%	96 54%	33 55%	169 57%	455 51%
I don't agree with crops being genetically modified	569 27%	212 21%	356 33%a	38 16%	83 23%	94 28%d	125 34%d	93 e 31%d	136 e 29%d	133 24%	164 29%	116 26%	156 31%j	49 28%	18 21%	59 25%	38 22%	54 30%	43 29%	23 22%	55 28%	79 30%	85 30%	45 25%	20 33%	77 26%	246 28%
Don't know	194 9%	72 7%	122 11%a	29 12%h	38 11%h	32 9%	43 11%h	17 6%	35 7%	34 6%	55 10%j	42 9%	63 12%j	8 5%	10 12%r	19 1 8%	17 10%	15 8%	15 10%	11 11%	23 12%r	18 1 7%	33 12%r	19 1 11%n	6 10%	22 7%	84 10%



Absolutes/col percents

Table 4

technology in crops

Q.6 Gene editing, where existing genes in the plant are optimised, is a new technology increasingly being used in human medicine to deal with diseases which otherwise are very difficult to deal with. It is also increasingly being used as a way of breeding new crop varieties that are more resistant to pests or drought, for example. Which of the following best describes your opinion on gene editing?

Base: All respondents

		Ge	ender			Ag	ge				Social C	Grade							Re	gion						Sec	
	Total	Male (a)	Female (b)	18-24 (d)	25-34 (e)	35-44 (f)	45-54 (g)	55-64 (h)	65+ (i)	AB (j)	C1 _(k)	C2 (I)	DE _(m)_	Scot- land (n)	North East (o)	North West (p)	York- shire & Humb- erside (q)	West Mid- lands (r)	East Mid- lands (s)	Wales _(t)	East- ern (u)	London (v)	South East (w)	South West (x)	North- ern Ire- land (y)	Public (A)	Pri- vate (B)
Unweighted base	2084	1044	1040	264	327	328	350	309	506	564	613	357	550	192	79	225	187	176	142	103	202	265	274	185	54	265	833
Weighted base	2084	1015	1069	242	361	342	371	300	468	560	561	454	509	176	85*	232	172	182	150	103*	196	267	283	178	61*	294	885
If it is safe, then I am happy for gene editing to be used in crops	1062 51%	593 58%	470 b 44%	142 59%(183 51%	178 52%	169 45%	151 50%	239 51%	322 57%k	286 dm 51%	218 48%	236 46%	97 55%	44 52%	126 54%	89 52%	92 50%	67 45%	54 53%	104 53%	129 48%	135 48%	91 51%	34 57%	161 55%	422 48%
I don't have an opinion on the use of gene editing in crops	549 26%	260 26%	290 27%	68 28%	91 25%	96 28%	104 28%	70 23%	121 26%	128 23%	146 26%	137 30%j	138 27%	42 24%	25 29%	64 28%	43 25%	44 24%	44 30%	24 24%	51 26%	70 26%	79 28%	50 28%	13 21%	58 20%	261 29%A
I don't think it is safe and therefore do not like the idea of using new gene editing	472 23%	162 16%	310 29%a	32 a 13%	88 24%0	68 I 20%	98 26%d	79 26%d	107 I 23%d	110 20%	129 23%	99 22%	134 26%j	37 21%	16 19%	42 18%	40 23%	46 25%	38 25%	25 24%	41 21%	68 26%	69 24%	37 21%	13 22%	75 26%	203 23%



Absolutes/col percents

Employment

Table 5

Q.10 UK farmers currently get payments (funded by UK taxpayers) back from the European Union for growing food and looking after the environment. Once we leave the European Union, do you think taxpayers should or should not continue to fund these activities?

Base: All respondents

		Ge	ender			Ą	ge				Social	Grade					York-		Re	gion						Sec	
	Total	Male (a)	Female (b)	18-24 (d)	25-34 (e)	35-44 (f)	45-54 (g)	55-64 (h)	65+ (i)	AB (j)	C1 _(k)	C2 (I)	DE _(m)_	Scot- land (n)	North East (o)	North West (p)	shire & Humb- erside (q)	West Mid- lands (r)	East Mid- lands (s)	Wales	East- ern (u)	London (v)	South East (w)	South West (x)	North- ern Ire- land (y)	Public (A)	Pri- vate (B)
Unweighted base	2084	1044	1040	264	327	328	350	309	506	564	613	357	550	192	79	225	187	176	142	103	202	265	274	185	54	265	833
Weighted base	2084	1015	1069	242	361	342	371	300	468	560	561	454	509	176	85*	232	172	182	150	103*	196	267	283	178	61*	294	885
NET: Taxpayers should continue to fund UK farmers once UK leave the EU	1544 74%	768 76%	776 73%	170 70%	256 71%	235 69%	268 72%	238 79%d	377 ef 81% g	423 def 76%	421 75%	328 72%	373 73%	133 76%	62 73%	177 76%	128 74%	135 74%	109 73%	77 75%	151 77%	182 68%	217 77%	130 73%	42 69%	218 74%	616 70%
Once we leave the European Union, taxpayers should continue to fund these activities - both growing food and looking after the environment are two things which are far too important to lose	847 41%	403 40%	444 42%	85 35%	140 39%	125 37%	154 42%	135 45%d	207 f 44%	211 df 38%	250 45%j	183 40%	204 40%	71 40%	30 36%	98 42%	61 35%	80 44%	57 38%	42 41%	77 39%	101 38%	132 47%0	73 q 41%	24 40%	129 44%E	314 3 35%
Once we leave the European Union, taxpayers should continue to fund these activities - but the focus should be on looking after the environment	235 11%	134 13%	101 b 9%	42 17% <u>ç</u>	42 ghi 12%	45 13%i	39 11%	32 11%	35 7%	76 14%	55 10%	51 11%	53 10%	21 12%	11 13%	20 9%	22 13%	18 10%	14 9%	13 13%	32 16%	29 p 11%	27 10%	22 12%	6 10%	34 12%	113 13%
Once we leave the European Union, taxpayers should continue to fund these activities - but the focus should be on food	462 22%	231 23%	231 22%	42 17%	74 21%	65 19%	75 20%	71 24%	136 29% g	136 def 24%	116 21%	94 21%	116 23%	41 24%	21 25%	59 25%	45 26%	37 20%	39 26%	22 21%	43 22%	52 19%	57 20%	36 20%	12 20%	55 19%	189 21%

Proportions/Means: Columns Tested (5% risk level) - a/b - d/e/f/g/h/i - j/k/l/m - n/o/p/q/r/s/t/u/v/w/x/y - A/B * small base



production

Absolutes/col percents

Table 5

Q.10 UK farmers currently get payments (funded by UK taxpayers) back from the European Union for growing food and looking after the environment. Once we leave the European Union, do you think taxpayers should or should not continue to fund these activities?

Base: All respondents

		Ge	nder			Ag	е				Social	Grade							Re	egion						Employ Sec	
	Total	Male (a)	Female (b)	18-24 (d)	25-34 (e)	35-44 (f)	45-54 (g)	55-64 (h)	65+ (i)	AB (j)	C1 _(k)	C2 (I)	DE _(m)_	Scot- land (n)	North East (o)	North West (p)	York- shire & Humb- erside (q)	West Mid- lands (r)	East Mid- lands (s)	Wales (t)	East- ern (u)	London (v)	South East (w)	South West (x)	North- ern Ire- land (y)	Public (A)	Pri- vate (B)
Weighted base	2084	1015	1069	242	361	342	371	300	468	560	561	454	509	176	85*	232	172	182	150	103*	196	267	283	178	61*	294	885
Once we leave the European Union, taxpayers should not continue to fund these activities - there are more important things to be spending tax payers' money on	196 9%	122 12%	74 b 7%	20 8%	32 9%	43 13%h	49 i 13%h	18 i 6%	34 7%	65 12%	49 9%	41 9%	41 8%	20 11%	5 6%	18 8%	17 10%	16 9%	12 8%	9 9%	17 9%	35 13%x	29 10%	11 6%	5 9%	38 13%	105 12%
Don't know	344 16%	125 12%	219 20%a	52 22%g	73 ji 20%i	64 19%i	54 15%	45 15%	56 12%	72 13%	91 16%	85 19%j	95 19%j	23 13%	18 21%	37 16%	27 16%	32 17%	28 19%	17 17%	27 14%	49 18%	37 13%	36 20%	13 22%	39 13%	164 19%



Absolutes/col percents

Table 6

Q.11 Some predict that the farmers of tomorrow will have to be even more technologically aware than they are now and will need to have access to high levels of innovation. Which of the following, if any, best describes your views on farming for the next generation?

Base: All respondents

		Ge	nder			F	\ge				Social (Grade					Vd-		Reg	gion						Emplo Sec	yment ctor
	Total	Male (a)	Female (b)	18-24 (d)	25-34 (e)	35-44 (f)	45-54 (g)	55-64 (h)	65+ (i)	AB (i)	C1 (k)	C2 _(I)	DE _(m)_	Scot- land (n)	North East (o)	North West (p)	York- shire & Humb- erside (q)	West Mid- lands (r)	East Mid- lands (s)	Wales (t)	East- ern (u)	London (v)	South East (w)	South West (x)	North- ern Ire- land (y)	Public (A)	Pri- vate (B)
Unweighted base	2084	1044	1040	264	327	328	350	309	506	564	613	357	550	192	79	225	187	176	142	103	202	265	274	185	54	265	833
Weighted base	2084	1015	1069	242	361	342	371	300	468	560	561	454	509	176	85*	232	172	182	150	103*	196	267	283	178	61*	294	885
NET: High-tech farming will attract young people more than it does now	1557 75%	750 74%	807 76%	188 78%f	263 73%	237 69%	270 73%	230 77%	369 79%f	437 78%	421 75%	328 72%	371 73%	122 70%	59 70%	186 80%r	125 nt 73%	138 76%	113 76%	69 67%	151 77%	192 72%	228 81%r x	126 ntv 71%	47 78%	229 78%	641 72%
I think high-tech farming will attract young people more than it does now	483 23%	273 27%t	210 20%	68 28%i	90 25%	75 22%	83 22%	71 24%	96 20%	143 26%	132 24%	97 21%	111 22%	44 25%	13 16%	54 23%	47 27%	54 30%	35 ow 23%	25 24%	40 21%	55 21%	58 20%	46 26%	11 19%	75 25%	222 25%
I think high-tech farming will attract young people more than it does now, but I would not know how someone would become a farmer or work in agriculture	463 22%	235 23%	229 21%	71 29%h	99 ii 27%h	85 ni 25%i	82 22%i	54 18%	72 15%	146 26%n	124 1 22%	101 22%	93 18%	35 20%	22 25%	71 31%r stx	33 oqr 19%	35 19%	28 19%	13 12%	44 23%	64 24%t	73 26%t	33 19%	12 20%	86 29%	220 25%
I think high-tech farming will attract young people more than it does now if more information is made available on the opportunities and the skills needed	611 29%	243 24%	369 34%a	49 a 20%	73 20%	77 23%	105 28%de	106 35%de	201 f 43%de gh	148 ef 26%	165 29%	130 29%	168 33%j	43 25%	24 28%	60 26%	46 27%	49 27%	50 33%	31 30%	67 34%	73 27%	98 35%r	47 n 27%	24 40%	68 23%	199 23%
I don't think technological innovations will make farming more attractive	232 11%	141 14%t	92 9%	16 7%	39 11%	33 10%	54 15%d	33 11%	58 12%d	60 11%	62 11%	56 12%	55 11%	29 17%v	11 /w 13%	24 10%	19 11%	19 10%	23 15%	18 v 17%v\	20 w 10%	20 8%	25 9%	20 11%	4 7%	29 10%	105 12%

Proportions/Means: Columns Tested (5% risk level) - a/b - d/e/f/g/h/i - j/k/l/m - n/o/p/q/r/s/t/u/v/w/x/y - A/B * small base

as a career for the next generation



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Base: All respondents

		Ger	nder			A	ge				Social	Grade							Re	gion						Emplo: Sec	oyment ctor
	Total	Male				35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	Scot-	North East	North West	York- shire & Humb- erside	West Mid- lands	East Mid- lands	Wales	East- ern	London	East	South West	North- ern Ire- land	Public	
		<u>(a)</u>	(b)	<u>(d)</u>	<u>(e)</u>	<u>(†)</u>	<u>(g)</u>	<u>(h)</u>	<u>(I)</u>	(I)	(K)	(l)	<u>(m)</u>	<u>(n)</u>	<u>(0)</u>	(p)	<u>(q)</u>	<u>(r)</u>	<u>(s)</u>	<u>(t)</u>	<u>(u)</u>	(V)	(w)	<u>(x)</u>	(y)	_(A)_	<u>(B)</u>
Weighted base	2084	1015	1069	242	361	342	371	300	468	560	561	454	509	176	85*	232	172	182	150	103*	196	267	283	178	61*	294	885
Don't know	294 14%	124 12%	170 16%a	38 16%i	59 16%i	72 21%	47 ghi 13%	37 12%	41 9%	64 11%	78 14%	70 15%	83 16%j	24 14%	15 17%	23 10%	27 16%	25 14%	14 9%	17 16%	24 12%	55 20%p w	30 su 11%	31 18%p	9 15%	37 13%	139 16%

