

De-mystifying Millennials

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'Millennial' definition

The data in this presentation uses the Pew Research Center generation definitions:

Gen Z: 18-21

Millennial: 22-37

Gen X: 38-53

Boomer: 54-72

Silent: 73-90



Who are millennials?

- Significantly more likely to live in urban areas
- Less likely to watch TV or read a newspaper
- High social media users, more on their phone
- More educated than older generations
- Care about social issues like gay marriage, abortion and sexism
- Less likely to say they are 100% heterosexual (46% 18-25 GB v 72% all GB)



Millennials are high social media users who favour authenticity

Engage with adverts on social media more than on regular website

Notice adverts on public transport

They comment on adverts they've seen on social media

They notice who is sponsoring an event or campaign

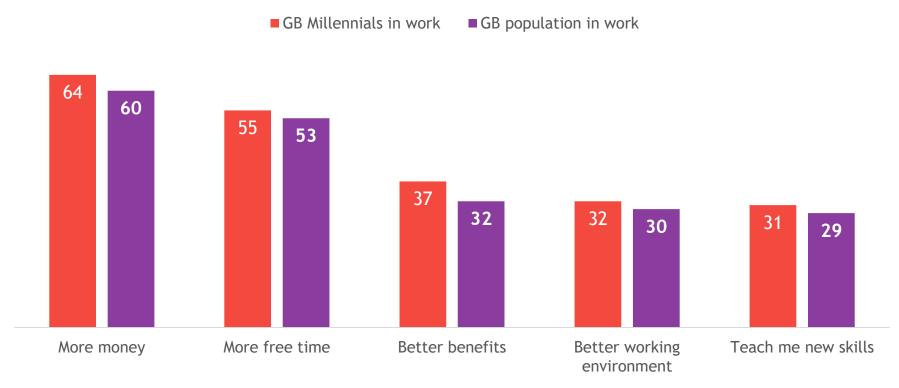
They like seeing real looking people in advertisements

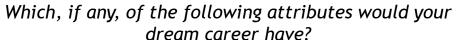
They like it when companies have a moral message



Millennials are most motivated by money & free time

Dream Career Qualities





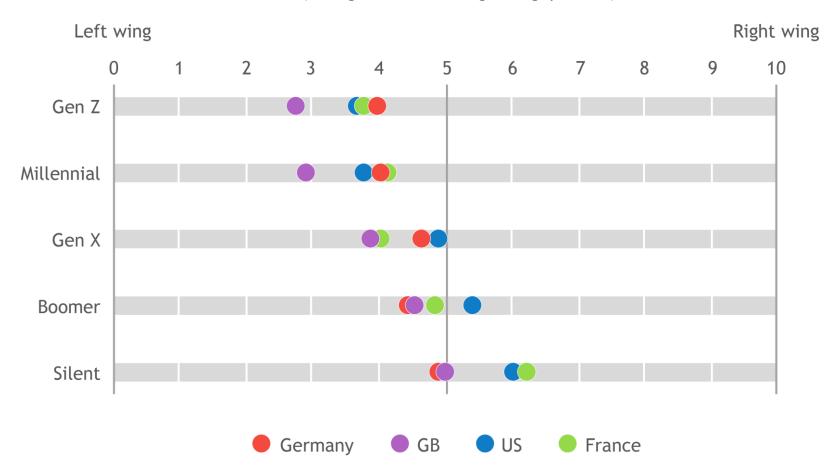




Millennials are broadly centre-left

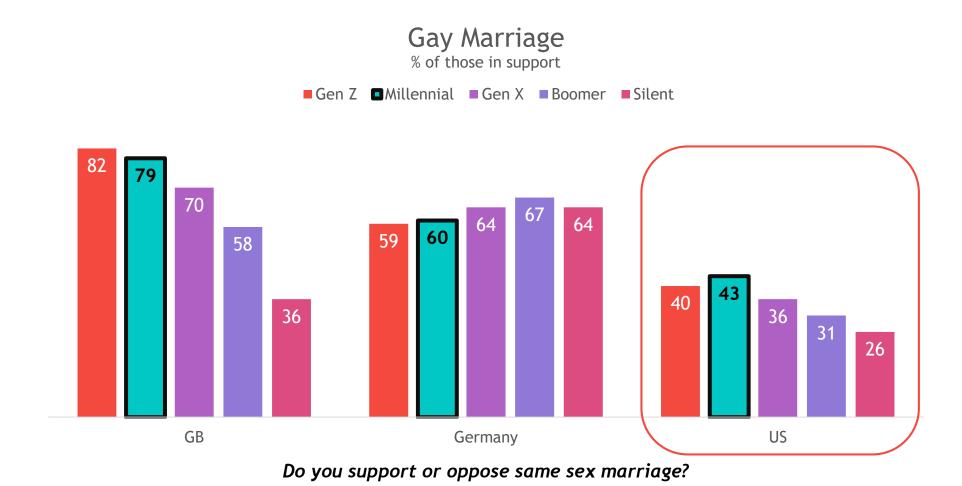
Left wing/ Right wing

(Average score on left/right wing spectrum)



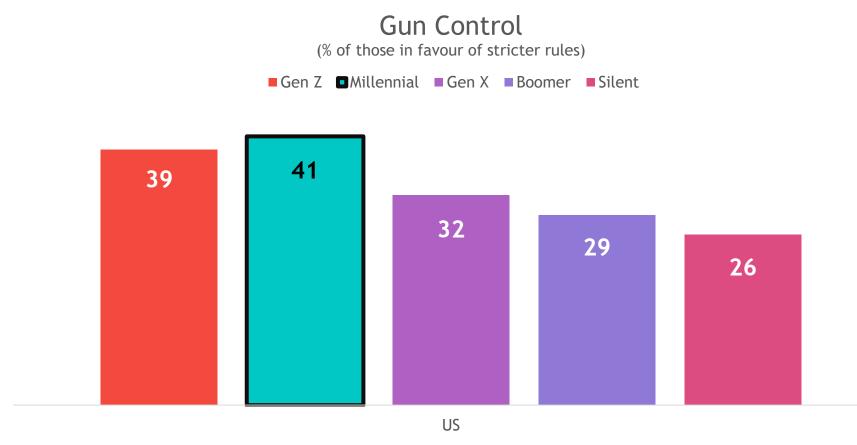


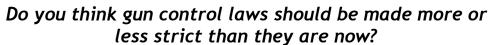
Millennials tend to have more liberal views





Which is prevalent for a range of issues

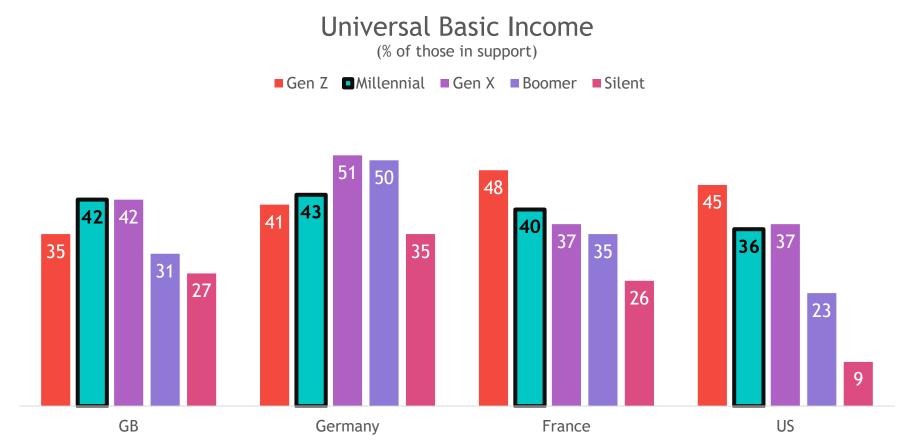






Younger people are more likely to be in favour of Universal Basic Income

(With the exception of Germany)



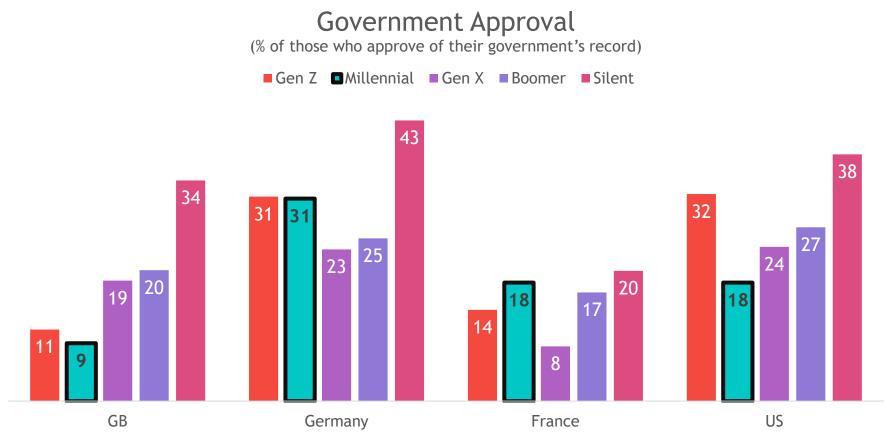
Universal basic income describes a policy where every citizen is given a guaranteed income from the state regardless of whether or not they are in work or how much they are earning. To what extent do you support or oppose this policy?





Millennials are less likely to approve of their government than their older counterparts

(with the exception of France)







Angela Merkel is popular amongst millennials

Leaders liked

(% of millennials who like each leader) Andrea Nahles Christian Lindner ■ Angela Merkel Alexander Gauland 33 23 Germany



Jeremy Corbyn is popular amongst millennials





In France, popularity of politicians is low, but Marine Le Pen is slightly more favourable amongst millennials





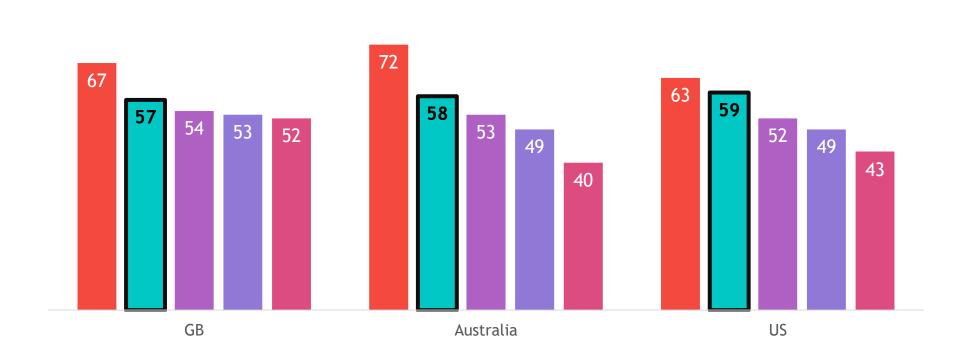


They are more likely to support government funding of higher education

Higher Education

(% of those who think the government should mostly or entirely fund higher education)

■Gen Z ■Millennial ■Gen X ■Boomer ■Silent



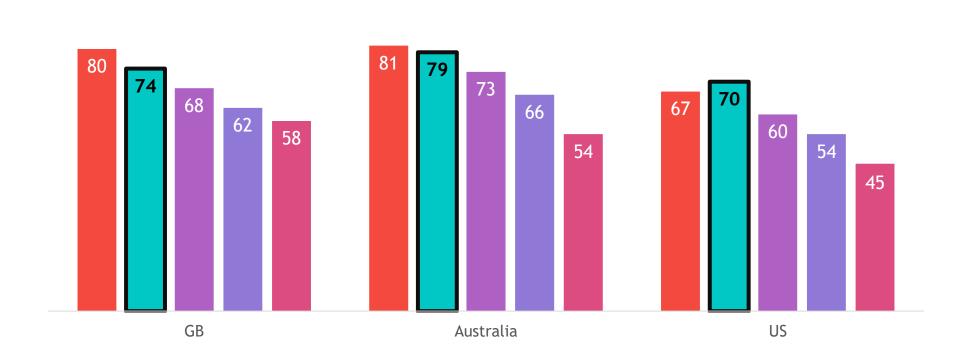


Millennials are more confident that climate change is caused by human activity

Climate Change

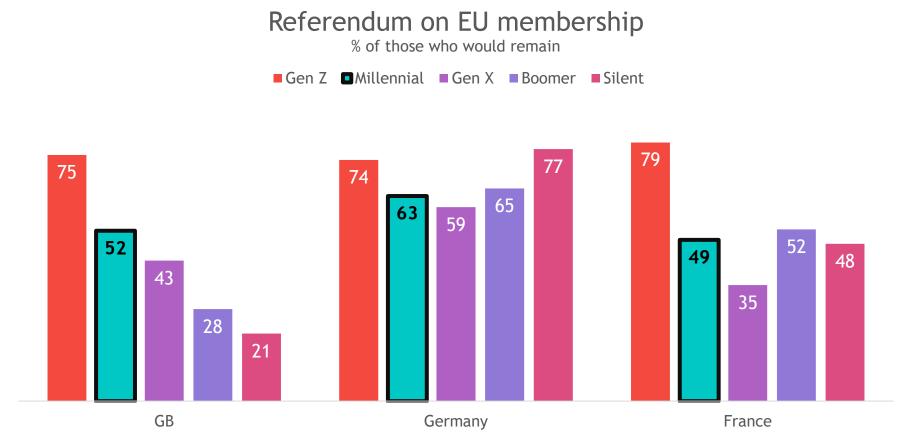
(% of those who are confident that there is significant climate change caused by human activity)

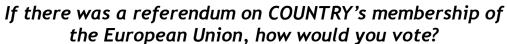
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A vote on EU membership isn't as closely linked to age as it is in the UK

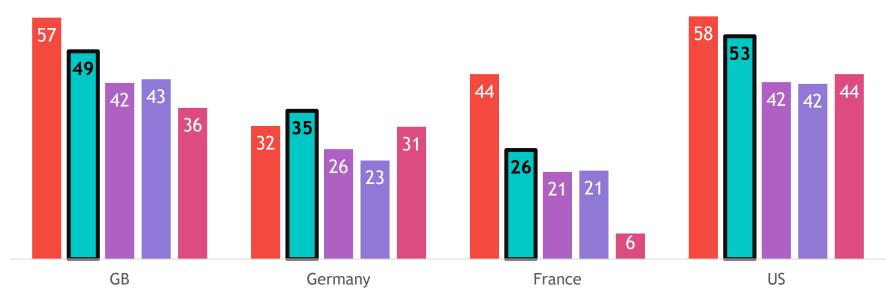






Younger people are more likely to see immigration as mainly positive in their country





Thinking about attitudes towards immigration, where would you place your views on the scale below? 0 - Immigration makes a mainly positive contribution to COUNTRY 10 - Immigration makes a mainly negative contribution to COUNTRY

Millennials are broadly supportive of free trade within the EU

Free Trade within the EU (% of those who say free trade of goods and services between EU member states is a good thing) ■Gen Z ■Millennial ■Gen X ■Boomer ■Silent GB Germany France

Do you think that it is or would be a good thing, a bad thing or neither a good or a bad thing for...?

The European Union to have free trade of goods and services between members

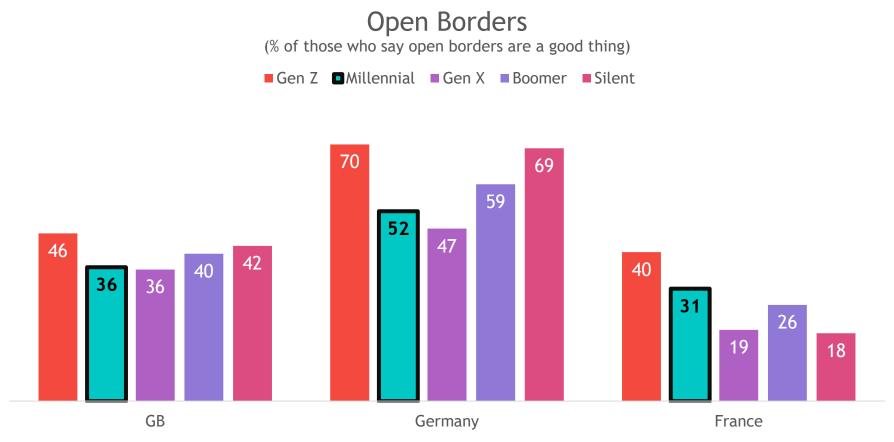
And they are likely to support free movement

Free Movement (% who say EU citizens having the right to live and work in other EU countries is a good thing) ■Gen Z ■Millennial ■Gen X ■Boomer ■Silent GB Germany France

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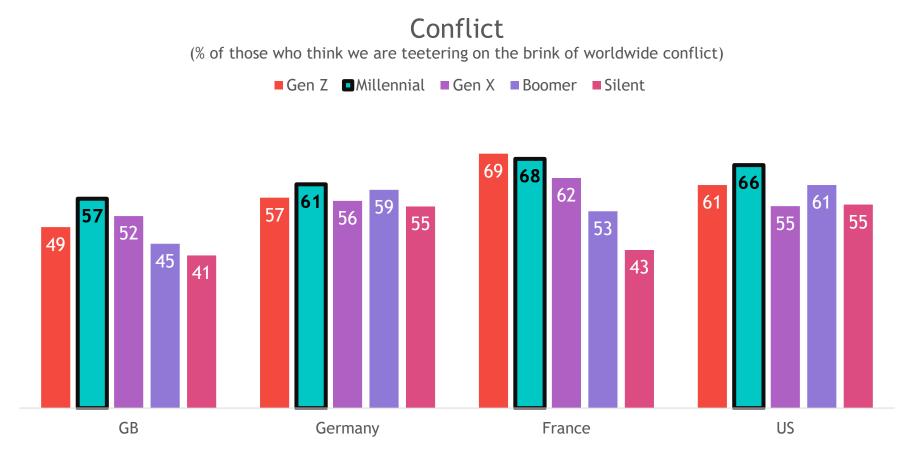
EU Citizens to have the right to live and work in other EU countries

But this doesn't necessarily mean that they support open borders



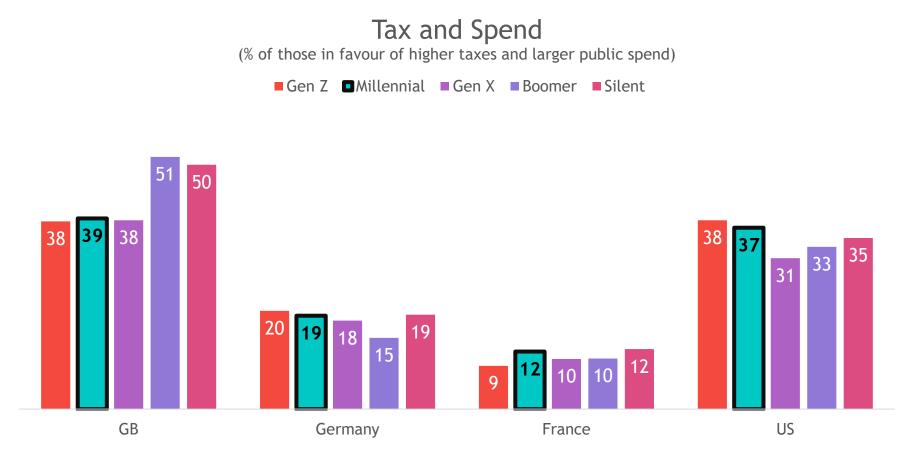
Do you think that it is or would be a good thing, a bad thing or neither a good or a bad thing for...? EU countries to have open borders, without border controls, with other EU countries

Millennials are more likely to believe that we are closer to worldwide conflict than to worldwide peace



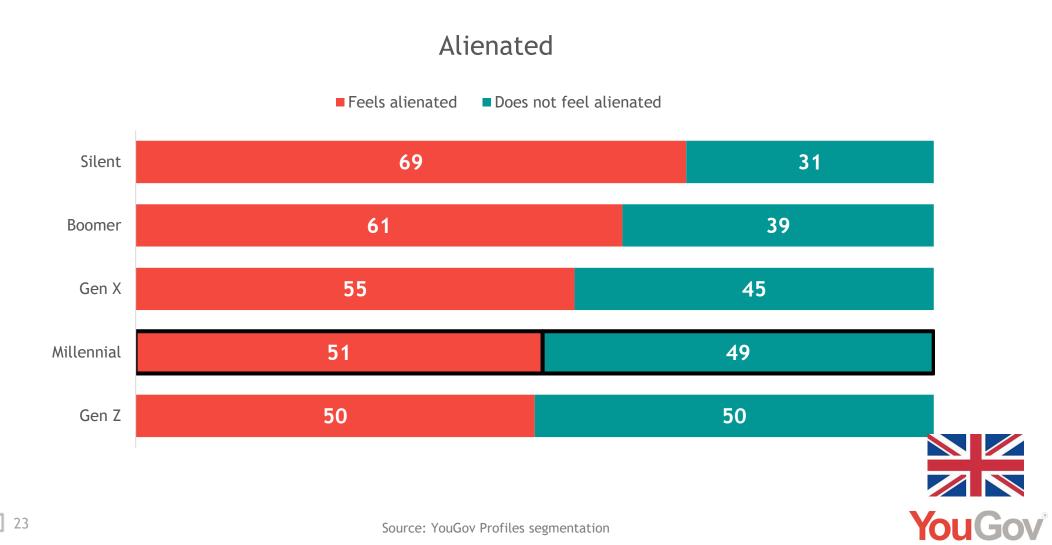
On a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 would be 'Complete peace', and 10 would be 'Teetering on the brink of worldwide conflict', how close do you think the world today is to a major war?

And are no more positive about higher tax and spend than others

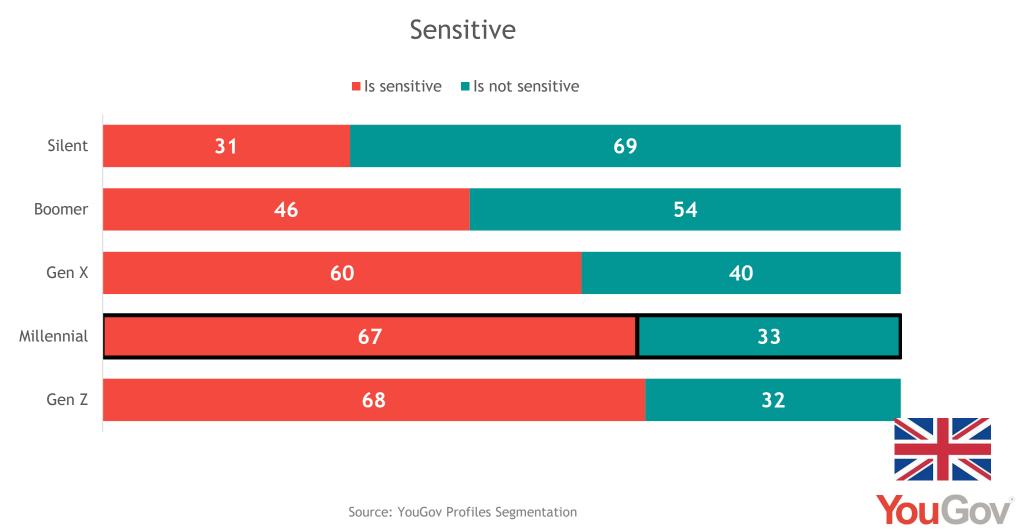


Where would you place your views on the scale below? 0 - Government should increase taxes and spend more on public services 10 - Government should reduce taxes and spend less on public services

Millennials feel less alienated than older generations

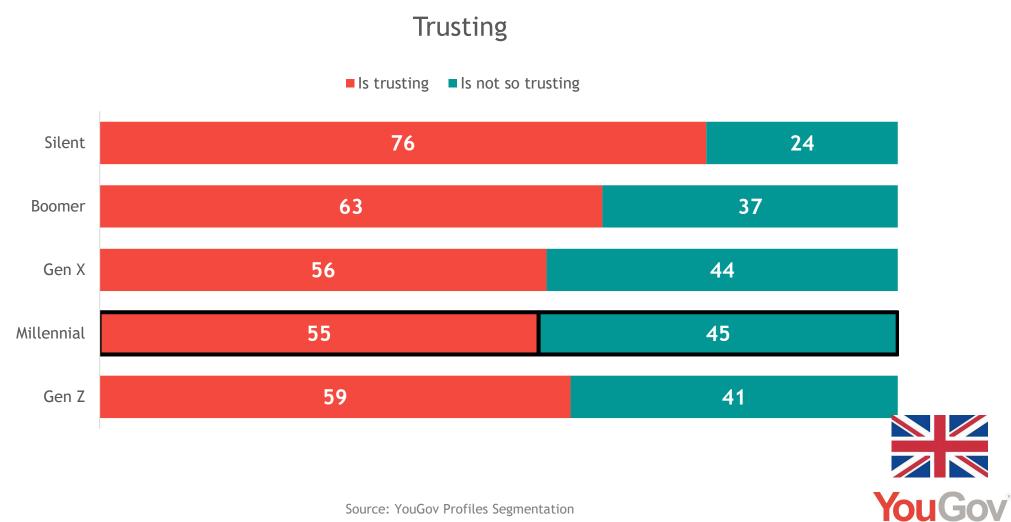


Millennials are more sensitive than older generations

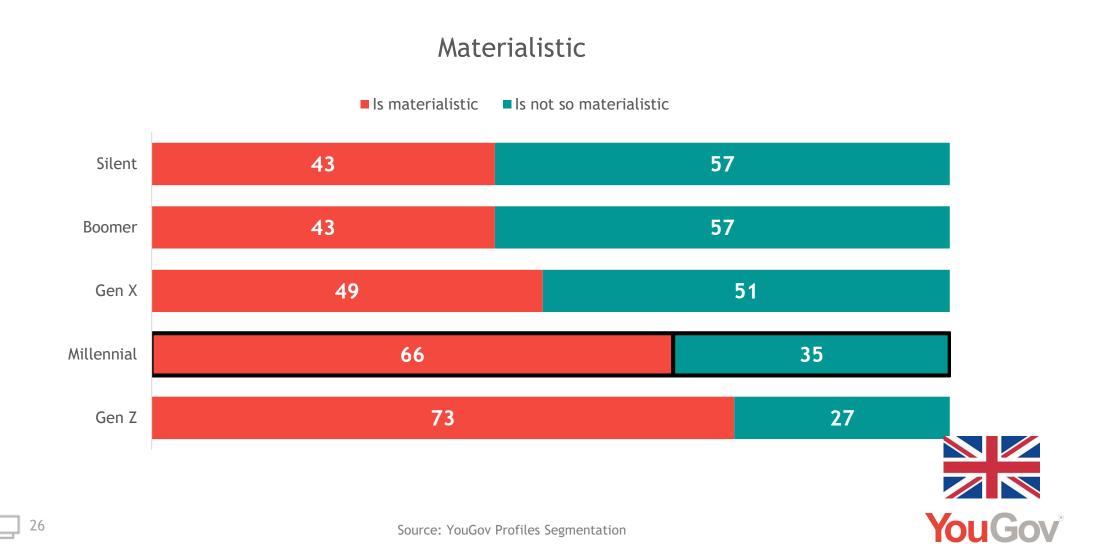




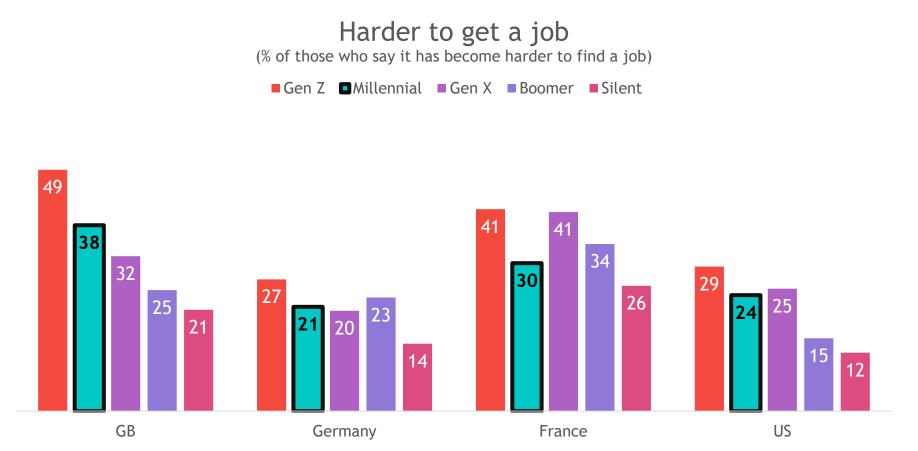
Millennials are less trusting than older generations but Gen Z are emerging as more trusting



Millennials are more materialistic than older generations



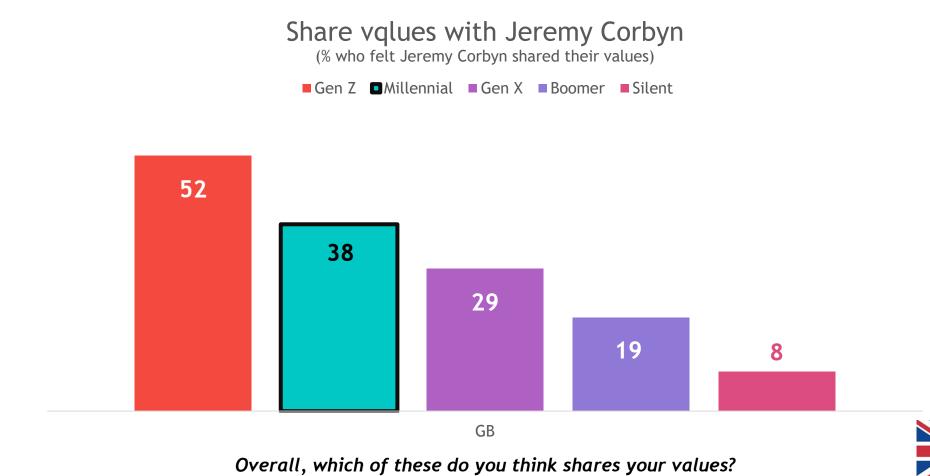
Younger people feel that it is harder to get a job



Do you think it has become easier or harder for people to find work in COUNTRY over the LAST 12 months?



Younger people felt that Jeremy Corbyn shared their values in 2017

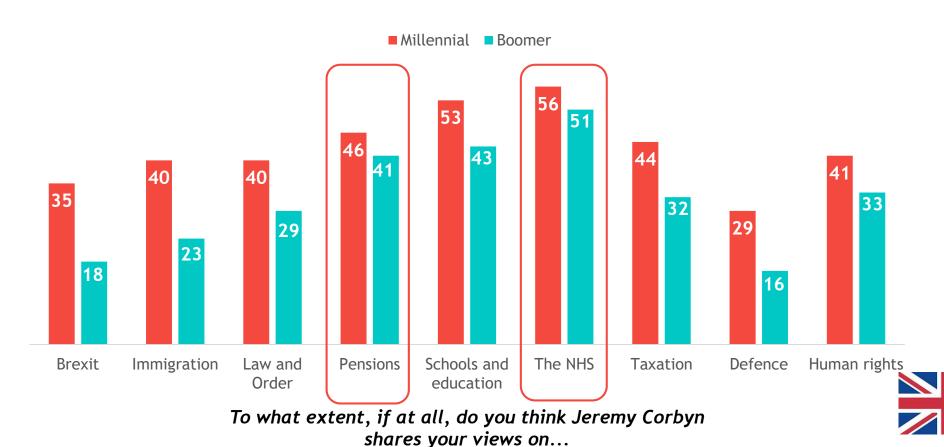




Jeremy Corbyn

However they converged with older voters on the NHS and pensions

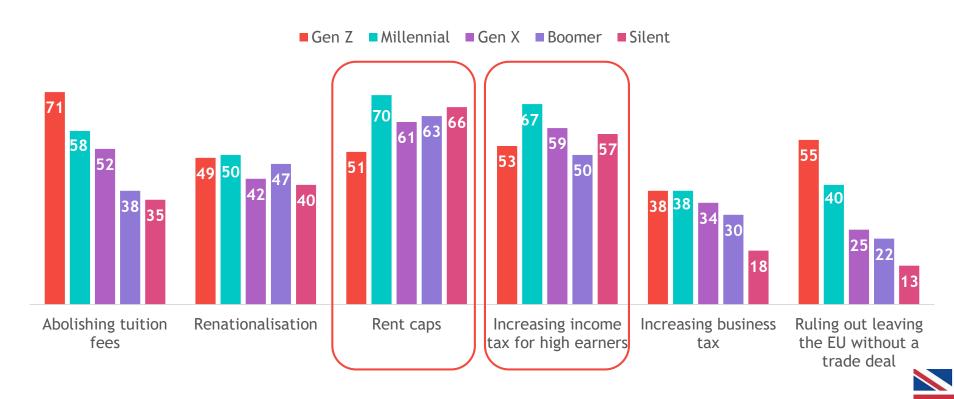
Areas where Jeremy Corbyn shares voters' views



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Taxing the rich and rent caps were most popular Labour manifesto points in 2017

Millennials' support for the 2017 Labour manifesto



For each one, please say whether you think it is a good idea or the wrong priority for the present time.

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Are they more the same, or more different, from others?



How would millennial answer that?

I asked 7,290 GB adults this weekend:

"When you think of the similarities and differences between you and your parents, which comes closer...?"

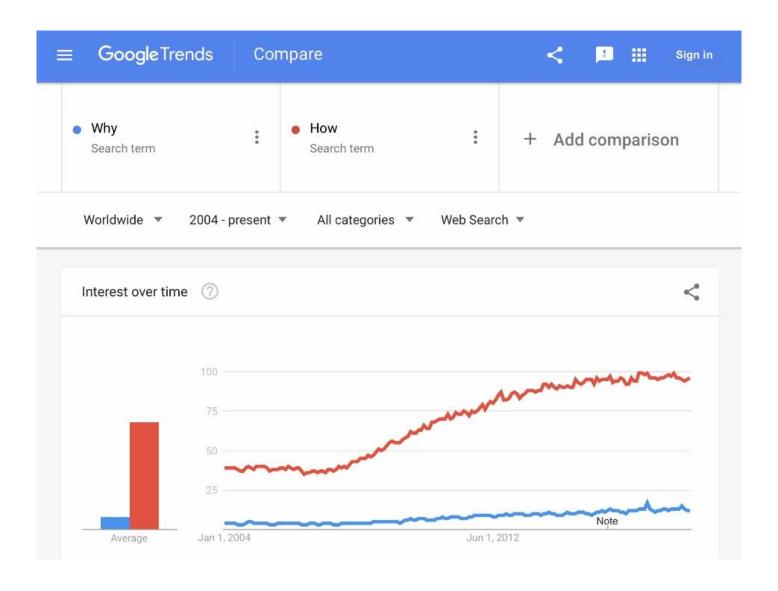
	18-24	65+
More different	36	44
More similar	49	41
Net Similarity:	+13	-3



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Advice for campaigners...

Don't be mystified by millennials, they are only different in their relationship to (the products of) technology

Only talk about topics where you can openly speak your mind - and better stick to what is transactional

Engage them where they themselves engage - so focus on social media and events shared on social media

Remember, because they are young, they are open - but uncommitted

