Immigration Attitudes and Trump Voting (US Whites, ANES)

Preferred immigration level

- under $15k
- 15-30k
- 30-50k
- 50-65k
- 65-90k
- 90-150k
- over 150k

Pred. probability of voting Trump
'Family over Everything'
(18-29s only)

YouGov Profiles Data, August 18, 2019 (UK)
‘I usually go to same place on holiday’ & Immigration Attitudes, 18-24s, Upper/Mid Class

YouGov Profiles Data, August 18, 2019 (UK)
Views on Death Penalty, Income, and Immigration (BES 2015-18)

R² = 0.301,
N = 18,899

View on Death Penalty

str. disagree, disagree, neither, agree, str. agree

Immigration (1 = Reduce a lot, 5 = Stay same)

lowest income, low-med income, medium income, med-high income, highest income
Chart 1: News stories about immigration, those mentioning immigration as an issue and net migration over time

Source: LexisNexis; ONS; Ipsos MORI
Atitudes to immigration: National issue or global challenge?

**BUT salience shifts...**

- Immigration most important concern for Italy
- News Coverage
- Annual refugees/asylum seekers arrivals by sea

![Graph showing annual arrivals by sea from 2008 to 2017](image)

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- 34% 3713
Immigration Numbers Affect *Salience*

Non-EU citizens subject to the enforcement of immigration legislation in EU Member States, 2008-2017

*Note: coverage for the EU changes over time. The y-axis is interrupted.*

- Found to be illegally present (*)
- Ordered to leave (*)
- Removed (*)
- Returned to a non-EU member (*)
- Refused entry

Top Worry

Immigration is still the main concern of European Union citizens

- Immigration
- Terrorism
- Economy
- Public finances
- Unemployment

*Note: Respondents were asked to name the two most important issues facing the EU*

*Data: Eurobarometer; graphic by Bloomberg Businessweek*
Immigration Salience is associated with Populist Right Support

Populist Higher Water-Mark and Projected Muslim Share, W. Europe

$R^2 = .597$

The graph shows a positive correlation between the highest populist right poll or vote (%) and the projected Muslim share of the country in 2030 (%). The fitted line indicates a strong relationship, with an $R^2$ value of .597, suggesting that approximately 59.7% of the variance in the Muslim share can be explained by the highest populist right poll or vote.
Chart based on 17 countries: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Iceland, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the UK. Data from OECD, Global Bilateral Migration and ParlGov.
“A White American who identifies with her group and its history supports a proposal to reduce immigration. Her motivation is to maintain her group's share of America's population. Is this person: 1) just acting in her racial self-interest, which is not racist; 2) being racist; 3) don’t know.”

![Bar chart showing percentages of respondents saying a white person's desire for less immigration is racist or not](chart.png)

Share of White Americans wanting less immigration, by Party Identity

Source: 2016 American National Election Study