Fact-Checking: Belief and Trust

Start of Block: Consent Form

Q1.1 **Our study aims to gauge public opinion of claims made around ‘Brexit’ (i.e., Great Britain’s departure from the European Union). In this study, several such claims have been fact-checked to determine their truthfulness and accuracy.**   You will be asked to rate the truthfulness/accuracy of nine claims made around ‘Brexit’, for each of which you will also be shown a fact-checked assessment of the claim. It is important for you to complete the questionnaire independently; that is, without consulting other people or sources. The questionnaire is anonymous, meaning that you will not be identifiable by your responses. Your anonymous responses will only be accessible to the study's researcher and supervisor (named below).   You are not obligated to participate, and may discontinue (quit) at any time. You may also refuse to answer specific questions if they make you uncomfortable.   By clicking '**Next**' (below) you acknowledge that you understand what this study involves, that you are not required to participate, and that you may quit at any time without penalty. You also acknowledge that if you have any questions or concerns, you can contact the researcher conducting the study (Dr. Adam Moore, amoore23@ed.ac.uk), who will answer you to the best of their ability. However, feedback on your individual response to the questionnaire cannot be provided.  

End of Block: Consent Form

Start of Block: Demographic Information

Q2.1 **Before we begin, please answer some preliminary questions about yourself.**

Q132 Your Prolific ID:

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Q2.2 What is your gender?

* Female (1)
* Male (2)
* Other (3)

Q2.3 What is your age?

▼ 18 (1) ... 100+ (84)

Q2.4 What is your ethnicity? (Choose any that apply)

* White (1)
* Hispanic or Latino (2)
* Asian or Pacific Islander (3)
* Black, Caribbean or African American (4)
* Native American or American Indian (5)

Q2.5 What is the highest academic qualification that you have obtained?

* GCSEs or equivalent (1)
* A-Levels, Highers or equivalent (2)
* Graduate Diploma (3)
* Postgraduate Diploma (4)
* Foundation Degree (5)
* Bachelor's Degree *(e.g., BA)* (6)
* Master's Degree *(e.g., MA)* (7)
* Professional Degree *(e.g., MD)* (8)
* Doctorate Degree *(e.g., PhD)* (9)

Q2.6 What is your current employment status? (Choose any that apply)

* Employed full-time *(i.e., 40+ hours per week)* (1)
* Employed part-time *(i.e., up to 39 hours per week)* (2)
* Self-employed (3)
* Military (4)
* Student (5)
* Homemaker (6)
* ⊗Unemployed (7)
* ⊗Retired (8)
* ⊗Unable to work (9)

Q2.7 What is your household income?

* Less than £15,000 (1)
* £15,000 to £24,999 (2)
* £25,000 to £39,999 (3)
* £40,000 to £64,999 (4)
* £65,000 to £100,000 (5)
* Over £100,000 (6)

Q2.8 How would you describe your political affiliation?

* 1 – *Extremely Liberal* (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 –  *Moderate* (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
* 7 – *Extremely Conservative* (7)

Q2.9 How would you describe your level of political activity and engagement?

* Very low *(e.g., I never vote in political elections and/or engage in political conversations)* (1)
* Low *(e.g., I rarely vote in political elections and/or engage in political conversations)* (2)
* Average *(e.g., I sometimes vote in political elections and/or engage in political conversations)* (3)
* High *(e.g., I often vote in political elections and/or engage in political conversations)* (4)
* Very high *(e.g., I always vote in political elections and/or engage in political conversations)* (5)

Q49 How important is the issue of 'Brexit' to you?   
 Namely, how much do you care about 'Brexit', and/or how much will it affect you?

* Very low importance (1)
* Low importance (2)
* Medium importance (3)
* High importance (4)
* Very high importance (5)

Q50 Which option best describes your current stance on 'Brexit'?

* Leave *(i.e., Great Britain should exit the European Union)* (1)
* Remain *(i.e., Great Britain should stay in the European Union)* (2)
* Unsure *(i.e., I can't decide whether Great Britain should leave or remain)* (4)
* Neutral *(i.e., I have no opinion on whether Great Britain should leave or remain)* (3)

End of Block: Demographic Information

Start of Block: S1: Claim 1

Q4.1 **Claim:**   
 *The EU’s accounts have not been signed off for years.*

Q4.2 How would you rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' above?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
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Q51   
Claim:     
 *The EU’s accounts have not been signed off for years.*   
   
    
   
Fact-check:    
  
 ${e://Field/1%20Conclusion}  
 ${e://Field/1%20Explanation}

Q53 How would you now rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' at the top?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
* 7 (7)
* 8 (8)
* 9 (9)
* 10 (10)

End of Block: S1: Claim 1

Start of Block: S1: Claim 2

Q5.1   
Claim:     
    
 *The UK sends £350 million a week to the EU.*

Q54 How would you rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' above?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
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Q55   
   
Claim:     
    
 *The UK sends £350 million a week to the EU.*   
    
   
Fact-check:    
   
  
 ${e://Field/2%20Conclusion}  
 ${e://Field/2%20Explanation}

Q55 How would you now rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' at the top?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
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* 8 (8)
* 9 (9)
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End of Block: S1: Claim 2

Start of Block: S1: Claim 3

Q6.1   
Claim:     
    
 *British workers have found their pay undercut by cheaper, foreign markets.*

Q58 How would you rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' above?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
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Q57   
   
Claim:     
    
 *British workers have found their pay undercut by cheaper, foreign markets.*   
   
    
Fact-check:    
   
  
 ${e://Field/3%20Conclusion}  
 ${e://Field/3%20Explanation}

Q59 How would you now rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' at the top?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
* 7 (7)
* 8 (8)
* 9 (9)
* 10 (10)

End of Block: S1: Claim 3

Start of Block: S1: Claim 4

Q7.1   
Claim:     
    
 *The EU claims that chlorine-washed chicken is safe to eat.*

Q61 How would you rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' above?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
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Q60   
   
Claim:     
    
 *The EU claims that chlorine-washed chicken is safe to eat.*   
    
   
Fact-check:    
   
  
 ${e://Field/4%20Conclusion}  
 ${e://Field/4%20Explanation}

Q62 How would you now rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' at the top?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
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* 8 (8)
* 9 (9)
* 10 (10)

End of Block: S1: Claim 4

Start of Block: S1: Claim 5

Q8.1   
Claim:     
    
 *10,000 financial services jobs left the UK following its EU referendum.*

Q64 How would you rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' above?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
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Q63   
   
Claim:     
    
 *10,000 financial services jobs left the UK following its EU referendum.*   
    
   
Fact-check:    
   
  
 ${e://Field/5%20Conclusion}  
 ${e://Field/5%20Explanation}

Q65 How would you now rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' at the top?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
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* 8 (8)
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End of Block: S1: Claim 5

Start of Block: S1: Claim 6

Q9.1   
Claim:     
    
 *David Davis confirmed, then denied, that the government was doing 57 impact assessments on Brexit.*

Q67 How would you rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' above?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
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Q66   
   
Claim:     
    
 *David Davis confirmed, then denied, that the government was doing 57 impact assessments on Brexit.*   
    
   
Fact-check:    
   
  
 ${e://Field/6%20Conclusion}  
 ${e://Field/6%20Explanation}

Q68 How would you now rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' at the top?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
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End of Block: S1: Claim 6

Start of Block: S1: Claim 7

Q10.1   
Claim:     
    
 *Leaving the EU Atomic Energy Community (Euratom) will not affect the UK’s supply of cancer treatment equipment.*

Q70 How would you rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' above?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
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Q69   
   
Claim:     
    
 *Leaving the EU Atomic Energy Community (Euratom) will not affect the UK’s supply of cancer treatment equipment.*   
    
   
Fact-check:    
   
  
 ${e://Field/7%20Conclusion}  
 ${e://Field/7%20Explanation}

Q71 How would you now rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' at the top?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
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End of Block: S1: Claim 7

Start of Block: S1: Claim 8

Q11.1   
Claim:     
    
 *Brexit means that there will have to be border controls between Northern Ireland and the Republic.*

Q73 How would you rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' above?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
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Q72   
   
Claim:     
    
 *Brexit means that there will have to be border controls between Northern Ireland and the Republic.*   
    
   
Fact-check:    
   
  
 ${e://Field/8%20Conclusion}  
 ${e://Field/8%20Explanation}

Q74 How would you now rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' at the top?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
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* 8 (8)
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End of Block: S1: Claim 8

Start of Block: S1: Claim 9

Q12.1   
Claim:     
    
 *8% of EU exports go to the UK.*   
 

Q76 How would you rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' above?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
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Q75   
Claim:     
    
 *8% of EU exports go to the UK.*   
    
   
Fact-check:    
   
  
 ${e://Field/9%20Conclusion}  
 ${e://Field/9%20Explanation}

Q77 How would you now rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' at the top?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
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* 8 (8)
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End of Block: S1: Claim 9

Start of Block: S2: Claim 1

Q90 **Claim:**   
 *The EU’s accounts have not been signed off for years.*

Q91 How would you rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' above?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
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Q92   
Claim:     
 *The EU’s accounts have not been signed off for years.*   
   
    
   
Fact-check:    
  
 ${e://Field/1%20Conclusion}  
 ${e://Field/1%20Explanation}   
    
Fact-check sources: The European Court of Auditors; The Committee of Public Accounts.

Q93 How would you now rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' at the top?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
* 7 (7)
* 8 (8)
* 9 (9)
* 10 (10)

End of Block: S2: Claim 1

Start of Block: S2: Claim 2

Q94   
Claim:     
    
 *The UK sends £350 million a week to the EU.*

Q95 How would you rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' above?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
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Q96   
   
Claim:     
    
 *The UK sends £350 million a week to the EU.*   
    
   
Fact-check:    
   
  
 ${e://Field/2%20Conclusion}  
 ${e://Field/2%20Explanation}   
    
Fact-check sources: The Office for National Statistics; Her Majesty’s Treasury.

Q97 How would you now rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' at the top?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
* 7 (7)
* 8 (8)
* 9 (9)
* 10 (10)

End of Block: S2: Claim 2

Start of Block: S2: Claim 3

Q98   
Claim:     
    
 *British workers have found their pay undercut by cheaper, foreign markets.*

Q99 How would you rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' above?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
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Q100   
   
Claim:     
    
 *British workers have found their pay undercut by cheaper, foreign markets.*   
   
    
Fact-check:    
   
  
 ${e://Field/3%20Conclusion}  
 ${e://Field/3%20Explanation}   
    
Fact-check sources: The Migration Observatory; The Department for Business, Innovation and Skills.

Q101 How would you now rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' at the top?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
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* 8 (8)
* 9 (9)
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End of Block: S2: Claim 3

Start of Block: S2: Claim 4

Q102   
Claim:     
    
 *The EU claims that chlorine-washed chicken is safe to eat.*

Q103 How would you rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' above?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
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Q104   
   
Claim:     
    
 *The EU claims that chlorine-washed chicken is safe to eat.*   
    
   
Fact-check:    
   
  
 ${e://Field/4%20Conclusion}  
 ${e://Field/4%20Explanation}   
  
  
Fact-check sources: The European Food Safety Authority; The British Poultry Council.

Q105 How would you now rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' at the top?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
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* 8 (8)
* 9 (9)
* 10 (10)

End of Block: S2: Claim 4

Start of Block: S2: Claim 5

Q106   
Claim:     
    
 *10,000 financial services jobs left the UK following its EU referendum.*

Q107 How would you rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' above?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
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Q108   
   
Claim:     
    
 *10,000 financial services jobs left the UK following its EU referendum.*   
    
   
Fact-check:    
   
  
 ${e://Field/5%20Conclusion}  
 ${e://Field/5%20Explanation}   
  
  
Fact-check sources: Reuters; The Office for National Statistics.

Q109 How would you now rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' at the top?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
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* 9 (9)
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End of Block: S2: Claim 5

Start of Block: S2: Claim 6

Q110   
Claim:     
    
 *David Davis confirmed, then denied, that the government was doing 57 impact assessments on Brexit.*

Q111 How would you rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' above?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
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Q112   
   
Claim:     
    
 *David Davis confirmed, then denied, that the government was doing 57 impact assessments on Brexit.*   
    
   
Fact-check:    
   
  
 ${e://Field/6%20Conclusion}  
 ${e://Field/6%20Explanation}   
  
  
Fact-check sources: David Davis; Theresa May.

Q113 How would you now rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' at the top?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
* 7 (7)
* 8 (8)
* 9 (9)
* 10 (10)

End of Block: S2: Claim 6

Start of Block: S2: Claim 7

Q114   
Claim:     
    
 *Leaving the EU Atomic Energy Community (Euratom) will not affect the UK’s supply of cancer treatment equipment.*

Q115 How would you rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' above?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
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Q116   
   
Claim:     
    
 *Leaving the EU Atomic Energy Community (Euratom) will not affect the UK’s supply of cancer treatment equipment.*   
    
   
Fact-check:    
   
  
 ${e://Field/7%20Conclusion}  
 ${e://Field/7%20Explanation}   
  
  
Fact-check sources: The Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology; The Institute for Government.

Q117 How would you now rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' at the top?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
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* 9 (9)
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End of Block: S2: Claim 7

Start of Block: S2: Claim 8

Q118   
Claim:     
    
 *Brexit means that there will have to be border controls between Northern Ireland and the Republic.*

Q119 How would you rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' above?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
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* 3 (3)
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Q120   
   
Claim:     
    
 *Brexit means that there will have to be border controls between Northern Ireland and the Republic.*   
    
   
Fact-check:    
   
  
 ${e://Field/8%20Conclusion}  
 ${e://Field/8%20Explanation}   
  
  
Fact-check sources: The Committee on European Union Affairs; Open Europe.

Q121 How would you now rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' at the top?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
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End of Block: S2: Claim 8

Start of Block: S2: Claim 9

Q122   
Claim:     
    
 *8% of EU exports go to the UK.*   
 

Q123 How would you rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' above?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
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Q124   
Claim:     
    
 *8% of EU exports go to the UK.*   
    
   
Fact-check:    
   
  
 ${e://Field/9%20Conclusion}  
 ${e://Field/9%20Explanation}   
  
  
Fact-check sources: Eurostat; The Office for National Statistics.

Q125 How would you now rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' at the top?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
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* 10 (10)

End of Block: S2: Claim 9

Start of Block: Source Trust

Q53 Finally, please indicate how much you would trust each body or individual in the list below, according to the following scale:   
    
   
   
   
**'No trust' = I would trust no claims they make.**   
**'Low trust' = I would trust few claims they make.**   
**'Medium trust' = I would trust some claims they make.**   
**'High trust' = I would trust most claims they make.**   
**'Full trust' = I would trust all claims they make.**

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|  | No trust (1) | Low trust (2) | Medium trust (3) | High trust (4) | Full trust (5) |
| The European Court of Auditors (1) |  |  |  |  |  |
| The Committee of Public Accounts (2) |  |  |  |  |  |
| The Office for National Statistics (3) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Her Majesty’s Treasury (4) |  |  |  |  |  |
| The Migration Observatory (5) |  |  |  |  |  |
| The Department for Business, Innovation and Skills (6) |  |  |  |  |  |
| The European Food Safety Authority (7) |  |  |  |  |  |
| The British Poultry Council (8) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Reuters (9) |  |  |  |  |  |
| The Office for National Statistics (10) |  |  |  |  |  |
| David Davis (11) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Theresa May (12) |  |  |  |  |  |
| The Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology (13) |  |  |  |  |  |
| The Institute for Government (14) |  |  |  |  |  |
| The Committee on European Union Affairs (15) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Open Europe (16) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Eurostat (17) |  |  |  |  |  |
| The Office for National Statistics (18) |  |  |  |  |  |

End of Block: Source Trust

Start of Block: S3: Claim 1

Q126 **Claim:**   
 *The EU’s accounts have not been signed off for years.*

Q127 How would you rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the **'Claim'** above?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
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Q128   
Claim:     
 *The EU’s accounts have not been signed off for years.*   
   
    
   
Fact-check:    
  
 ${e://Field/1%20Conclusion}  
 ${e://Field/1%20Explanation}   
  
  
Fact-check sources: The European Court of Auditors (the EU’s independent external auditor); The Committee of Public Accounts (the House of Commons’ government expenditure inspectors).

Q129 How would you now rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the **'Claim'** at the top?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
* 7 (7)
* 8 (8)
* 9 (9)
* 10 (10)

End of Block: S3: Claim 1

Start of Block: S3: Claim 2

Q130   
Claim:     
    
 *The UK sends £350 million a week to the EU.*

Q131 How would you rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' above?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
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* 10 (10)

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Q132   
   
Claim:     
    
 *The UK sends £350 million a week to the EU.*   
    
   
Fact-check:    
   
  
 ${e://Field/2%20Conclusion}  
 ${e://Field/2%20Explanation}   
  
  
Fact-check sources: The Office for National Statistics (the UK's largest independent statistics producer); Her Majesty’s Treasury (the UK's economic and finance ministry).

Q133 How would you now rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' at the top?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
* 7 (7)
* 8 (8)
* 9 (9)
* 10 (10)

End of Block: S3: Claim 2

Start of Block: S3: Claim 3

Q134   
Claim:     
    
 *British workers have found their pay undercut by cheaper, foreign markets.*

Q135 How would you rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' above?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
* 7 (7)
* 8 (8)
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Q136   
   
Claim:     
    
 *British workers have found their pay undercut by cheaper, foreign markets.*   
   
    
Fact-check:    
   
  
 ${e://Field/3%20Conclusion}  
 ${e://Field/3%20Explanation}   
  
  
Fact-check sources: The Migration Observatory (the University of Oxford’s independent research institute); The Department for Business, Innovation and Skills (the UK’s policymaker in the named sectors).

Q137 How would you now rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' at the top?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
* 7 (7)
* 8 (8)
* 9 (9)
* 10 (10)

End of Block: S3: Claim 3

Start of Block: S3: Claim 4

Q138   
Claim:     
    
 *The EU claims that chlorine-washed chicken is safe to eat.*

Q139 How would you rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' above?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
* 7 (7)
* 8 (8)
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Q140   
   
Claim:     
    
 *The EU claims that chlorine-washed chicken is safe to eat.*   
    
   
Fact-check:    
   
  
 ${e://Field/4%20Conclusion}  
 ${e://Field/4%20Explanation}   
  
  
Fact-check sources: The European Food Safety Authority (the EU’s independent food-risk agency); The British Poultry Council (the UK’s national trade group for the poultry meat industry).

Q141 How would you now rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' at the top?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
* 7 (7)
* 8 (8)
* 9 (9)
* 10 (10)

End of Block: S3: Claim 4

Start of Block: S3: Claim 5

Q142   
Claim:     
    
 *10,000 financial services jobs left the UK following its EU referendum.*

Q143 How would you rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' above?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
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* 8 (8)
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Q144   
   
Claim:     
    
 *10,000 financial services jobs left the UK following its EU referendum.*   
    
   
Fact-check:    
   
  
 ${e://Field/5%20Conclusion}  
 ${e://Field/5%20Explanation}   
  
  
Fact-check sources: Reuters (a London-based, international news agency); The Office for National Statistics (the UK's largest independent statistics producer).

Q145 How would you now rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' at the top?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
* 7 (7)
* 8 (8)
* 9 (9)
* 10 (10)

End of Block: S3: Claim 5

Start of Block: S3: Claim 6

Q146   
Claim:     
    
 *David Davis confirmed, then denied, that the government was doing 57 impact assessments on Brexit.*

Q147 How would you rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' above?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
* 7 (7)
* 8 (8)
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Q148   
   
Claim:     
    
 *David Davis confirmed, then denied, that the government was doing 57 impact assessments on Brexit.*   
    
   
Fact-check:    
   
  
 ${e://Field/6%20Conclusion}  
 ${e://Field/6%20Explanation}   
  
  
Fact-check sources: David Davis (Conservative MP, and Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union); Theresa May (Prime Minister of the United Kingdom, and Leader of the Conservatives).

Q149 How would you now rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' at the top?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
* 7 (7)
* 8 (8)
* 9 (9)
* 10 (10)

End of Block: S3: Claim 6

Start of Block: S3: Claim 7

Q154   
Claim:     
    
 *Leaving the EU Atomic Energy Community (Euratom) will not affect the UK’s supply of cancer treatment equipment.*

Q155 How would you rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' above?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
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Q156   
   
Claim:     
    
 *Leaving the EU Atomic Energy Community (Euratom) will not affect the UK’s supply of cancer treatment equipment.*   
    
   
Fact-check:    
   
  
 ${e://Field/7%20Conclusion}  
 ${e://Field/7%20Explanation}   
  
  
Fact-check sources: The Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology (the UK’s independent policy analyst); The Institute for Government (the UK’s independent think-tank for government improvement).

Q157 How would you now rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' at the top?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
* 7 (7)
* 8 (8)
* 9 (9)
* 10 (10)

End of Block: S3: Claim 7

Start of Block: S3: Claim 8

Q158   
Claim:     
    
 *Brexit means that there will have to be border controls between Northern Ireland and the Republic.*

Q159 How would you rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' above?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
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Q160   
   
Claim:     
    
 *Brexit means that there will have to be border controls between Northern Ireland and the Republic.*   
    
   
Fact-check:    
   
  
 ${e://Field/8%20Conclusion}  
 ${e://Field/8%20Explanation}   
  
  
Fact-check sources: The Committee on European Union Affairs (the Republic of Ireland’s overseer regarding its relationship with the EU); Open Europe (Europe’s liberal think-tank and campaign group).

Q161 How would you now rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' at the top?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
* 7 (7)
* 8 (8)
* 9 (9)
* 10 (10)

End of Block: S3: Claim 8

Start of Block: S3: Claim 9

Q162   
Claim:     
    
 *8% of EU exports go to the UK.*   
 

Q163 How would you rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' above?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
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* 6 (6)
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Q164   
Claim:     
    
 *8% of EU exports go to the UK.*   
    
   
Fact-check:    
   
  
 ${e://Field/9%20Conclusion}  
 ${e://Field/9%20Explanation}   
  
  
Fact-check sources: Eurostat (the EU’s official statistics producer); The Office for National Statistics (the UK's largest independent statistics producer).

Q165 How would you now rate the truthfulness/accuracy of the 'Claim' at the top?

* 0 (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 (6)
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* 8 (8)
* 9 (9)
* 10 (10)

End of Block: S3: Claim 9

Start of Block: Debrief

Q13.1 The goal of this experiment was to measure the effect of information formatting on people’s belief and trust in fact-checked assessments. For each claim’s fact-checked assessment, features of its format were altered in order to see if these alterations would affect your (i.e., the reader’s) response. Ultimately, the goal of this research is to better understand how fact-checking can be more effectively formatted in order to increase its readers’ belief and trust.   All of the fact-checked information used in this study was supplied by *Full Fact,* the UK's independent fact-checker.   If you have any further questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the researcher running the study: Dr. Adam Moore, who can be contacted using amoore23@ed.ac.uk.  
   **Thank you for your participation!**  
   **Please click 'Next' to ensure your response is recorded!**

End of Block: Debrief