

Independent regulation of solicitors: Public opinion poll findings

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Headline findings

Methodology note

ComRes interviewed 1,810 adults in England and Wales online between 15th and 17th January 2016. Data were weighted to be representative of all adults in England and Wales aged 18+.

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