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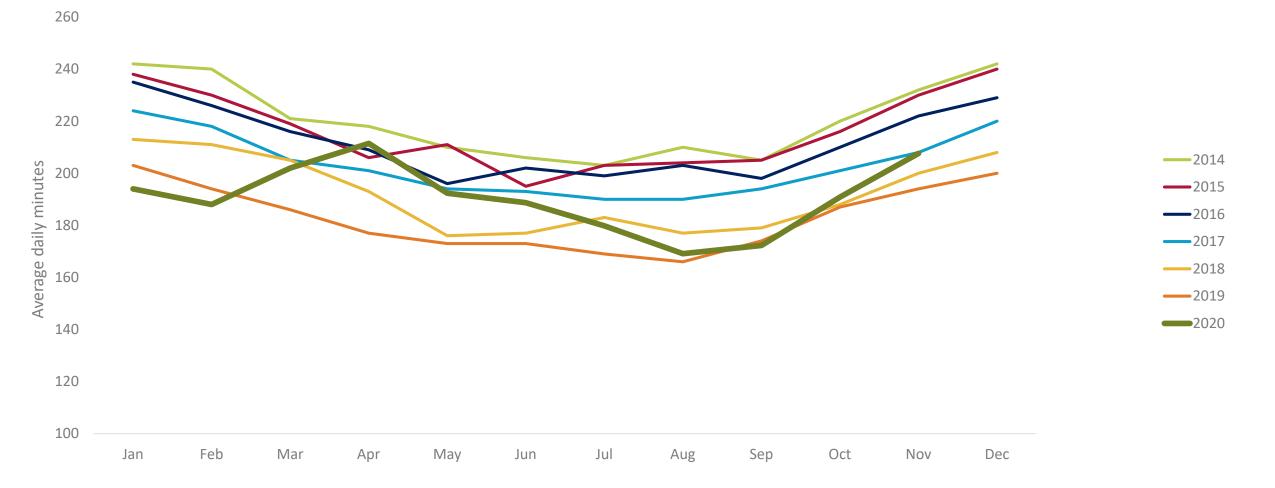
## **Effects of Covid-19 on TV viewing**

## Time spent viewing broadcast TV in November 2020 averaged just under 3 and a half hours per person

- Average daily viewing to broadcast TV on the TV set for November averaged 3 hours 28 minutes per person. In line with seasonal trends, this was higher than the previous month. It was also higher than the November average for the prior two years.
- In November, the share of viewing to all PSB channels increased to 57.8%, the highest since March. The increases came from ITV which saw large audiences for the *I'm A Celebrity* series.
- In the past few weeks, the number of people watching news has been higher than the same time in the previous two years.

Average monthly time spent viewing broadcast TV increased in November 2020 and was higher than the November in the previous two years

Total TV average daily minutes by month



3 Source: BARB. Total TV, all individuals (4+).

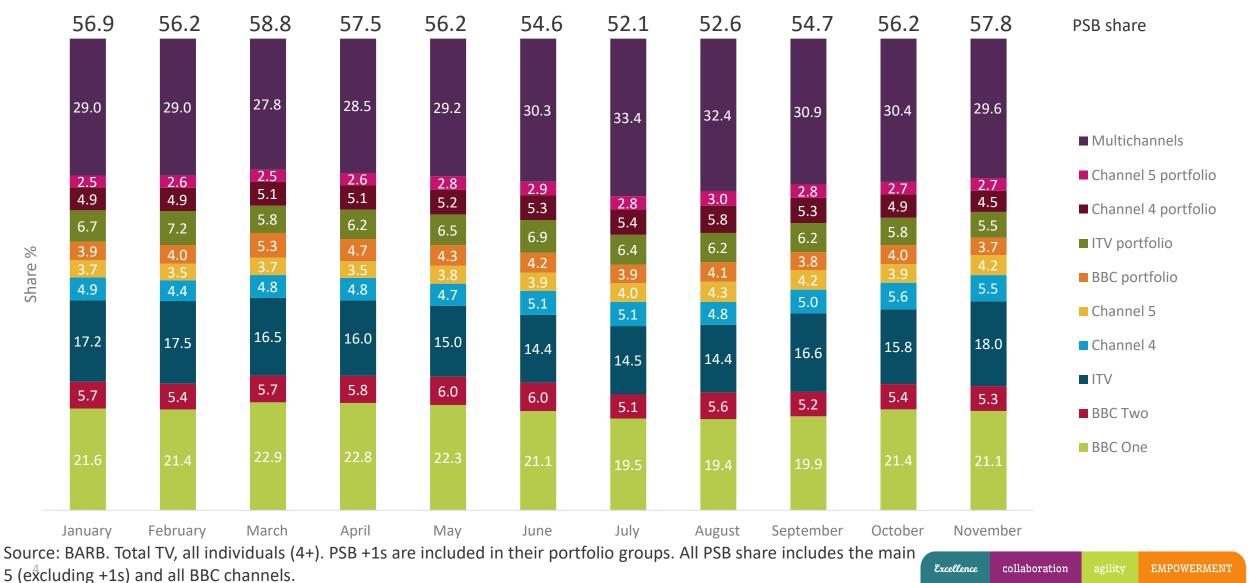
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## Share of PSB channels in November increased due to ITV which saw its highest monthly share so far this year

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Average share of viewing by channel / channel group 2020



Fewer people are watching broadcast TV than in previous years, although reach increased in November in line with seasonal trends

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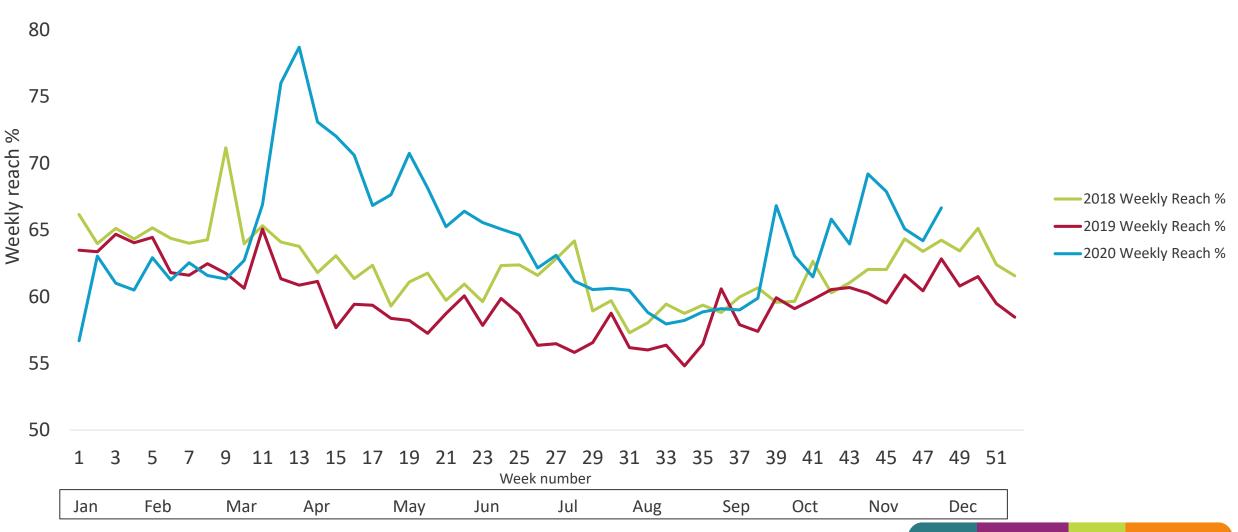
<sup>5</sup> Source: BARB. Total TV, all individuals (4+). Reach criteria: 15+ consecutive minutes.

## In the past few weeks, the number of people watching news has been higher than equivalent weeks in the last two years

National/International news genre – weekly reach % (3+ mins)

85

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<sup>6</sup> Source: BARB, national/international news sub genre for 4+ regions. Reach criteria: 3+ consecutive minutes

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