

Adults' Media Use and Attitudes Report 2016

Section 7: Newer, Narrow, and non-users

Source: Ofcom research, fieldwork carried out by Saville Rossiter-Base in September to October 2015

Figure 142: Proportion of newer and established users, by year and age





IN5 How long ago did you first start going online ?(Prompted responses, single coded)
Base: All adults who go online (1458 aged 16+, 239 aged 16-24, 249 aged 25-34, 269 aged 35-44, 253 aged 45-54, 208 aged 55-64, 150 aged 65+, 367 AB, 471 C1, 289 C2, 331 DE, 712 males, 746 females). Significance testing shows any change between 2014 and 2015, any difference by age or socio-economic group compared to all internet users and between males and females

Figure 143: Volume of internet use per week: newer vs. established users



IN6A-C – How many hours in a typical week would you say you use the internet at home/ at your workplace or place of education/ anywhere else? (Unprompted responses, single coded)

Base: All adults aged 16+ who go online (1458), started using under 5 years ago (191), 5+ years ago (1195). Significance testing shows any differences between newer and established internet users.

Figure 144(1): Weekly internet activities: newer vs. established users

	All internet users	Newer users	Established users
Base	1458	191	1195
General surfing/ browsing the internet	86%	69% ₩	89%
Send or receive emails	79%	55% ₩	83%
Look at social media sites/ apps	68%	54% ★	71%
Use Instant Messaging	68%	55% ₩	70%
Look at news websites/ apps	48%	24% ₩	53%
Watch short video clips online (such as YouTube)	48%	39% ★	51%
Find info. for work/ job/ studies	42%	25% ★	45%
Bank/ pay bills online	40%	15% ★	44%
Find info. for leisure (cinema etc.)	39%	24% ₩	42%
Upload/ share videos or photos online	35%	26% →	38%
Watch TV prog's/ films through broadcaster services	34%	18% ₩	38%
Buy things online	30%	15% ★	34%
Listen to streamed music online (Spotify, Apple Music)	29%	24%	31%
Make/ receive calls on Skype/ FaceTime	28%	23%	30%
Share links to websites/ online articles	28%	14% ₩	30%
Look for news about or events in your local area	25%	14% →	27%
Contribute comments to a website or blog	24%	12% ₩	26%
Play games online	23%	24%	23%

IN15/ IN16 -When using any of the devices you said you use to go online at home or elsewhere, how often, if at all, do you do any of the following? (Prompted responses, single coded)

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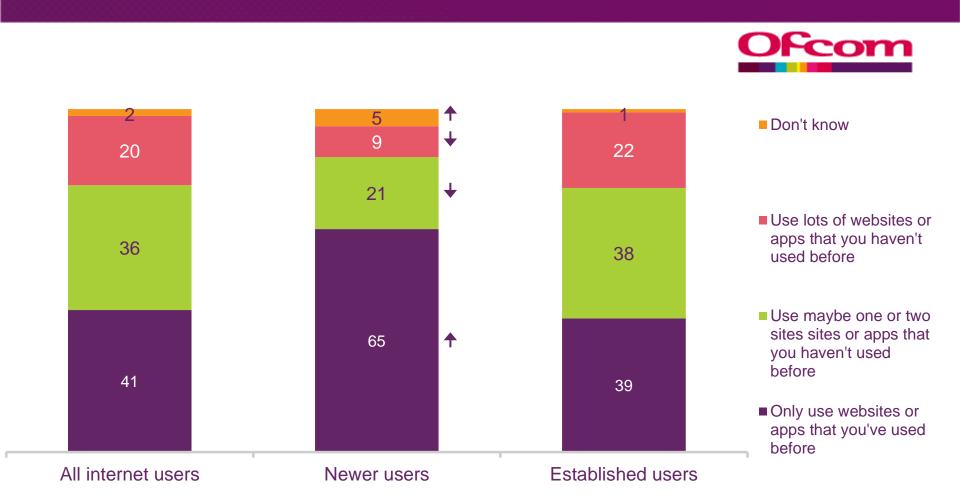
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Figure 144(2): Weekly internet activities: newer vs. established users

	All internet users	Newer users	Established users
Base	1458	191	1195
Listen to radio stations online	22%	19%	22%
Access files through a cloud service such as iCloud, Dropbox, Google Drive or OneDrive	21%	10% 🕹	24%
Find info. about health-related issues	20%	12%	22%
Look at job opportunities	14%	8% ₩	15%
Download software	13%	9%	14%
Look for public services information on government sites such as gov.uk and HMRC	11%	5%	13%
Set up or maintain a website or blog	11%	5%	12%
Look at political or campaigning websites	10%	3%	11%
Look for info. on public services provided by your local council	9%	5%	10%
Sell things online	8%	3%	9%
Fill in a job application online	5%	5%	5%
Complete government processes online	5%	1% ↓	5%
Sign an online petition	4%	1% ★	5%
Look at adult-only websites	3%	2%	4%
Do an online course to achieve a qualification	2%	0%	2%
Online gambling	2%	0%	2%
Contact a local councillor or your MP online IN15/ IN16 -When using any of the devices you said you use to go online at home or coded)	2% r elsewhere, how often, if at all, do	0% you do any of the following?	2% (Prompted responses, single

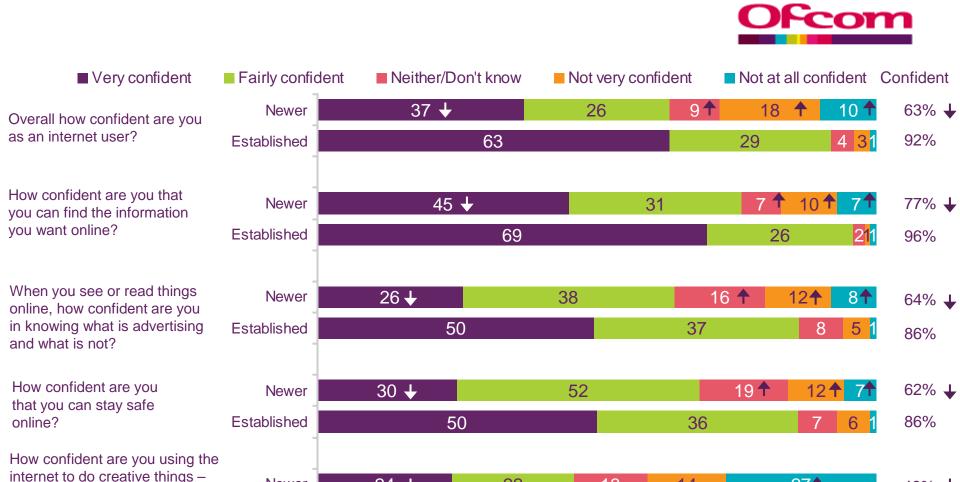
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Figure 145: Use of websites not used before: newer vs. established users



IN14 – In most weeks when you go online do you usually... (Prompted responses, single coded)
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Figure 146: Confidence as an internet user: newer vs. established users



IN13A-E – I'm going to read out some questions about confidence using the internet, for each one please say which of the options on the card applies to you. (Prompted responses, single coded)

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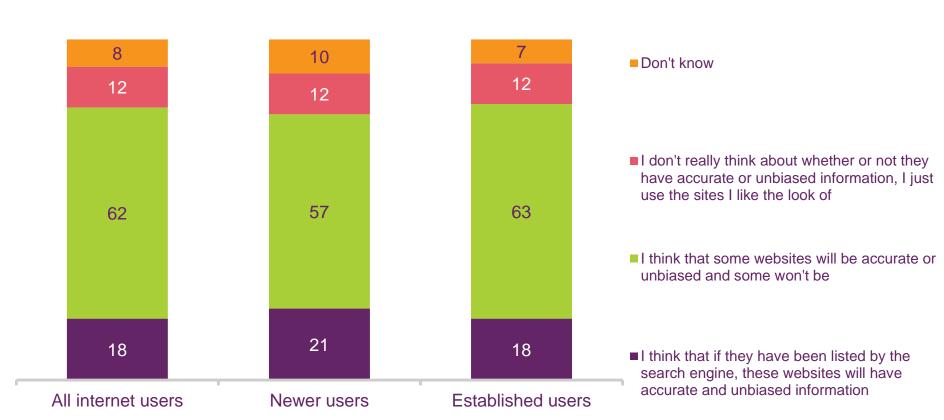
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Figure 147: Opinions on search engine accuracy: newer vs. established users

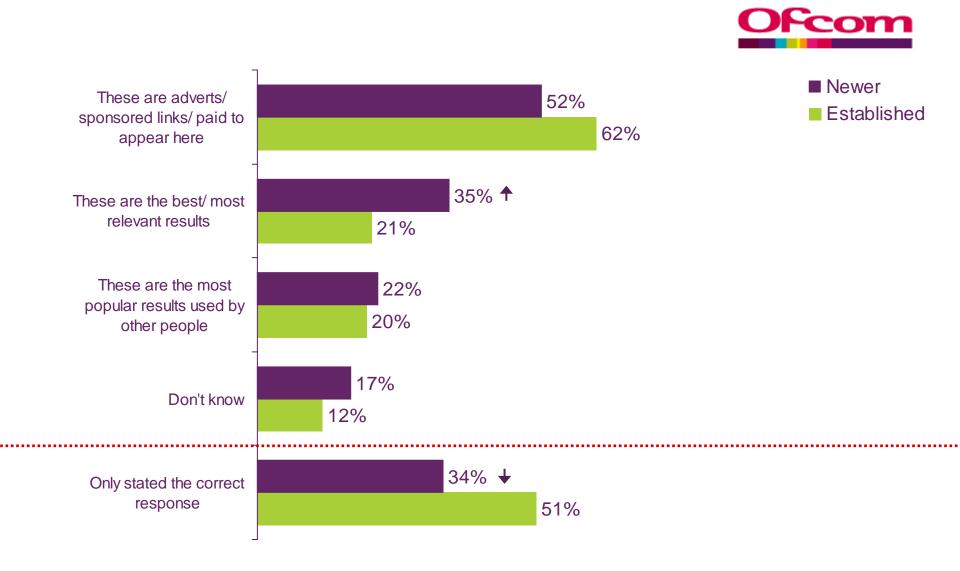




IN51 – When you use a search engine to find information, you enter a query in the search box and the search engine will then show some links to websites in the results pages. Which one of these is closest to your opinion about the level of accuracy or bias of the information detailed in the websites that appear in the results pages? (Prompted responses, single coded)

Base: All adults aged 16+ who use search engines (1328) who first went online under 5 years ago (160), 5+ years ago (1113).

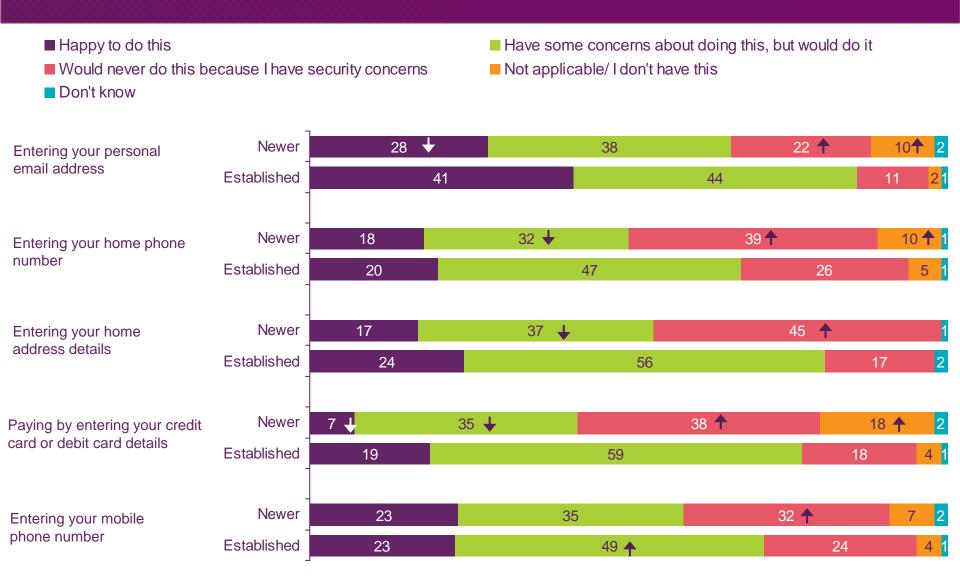
Figure 148: Understanding of paid-for results returned by Google searches among adults who use search engine websites or apps: newer vs. established users



IN52 Here's an image (SHOWCARD OF IMAGE) from a Google search for 'walking boots". Do any of these apply to the first three results that are listed? (Prompted responses, multi-coded)

Base: Adults aged 16+ who go online and use search engine websites or apps who first went online under 5 years ago (160), 5+ years ago (1113). Significance testing shows any differences between newer and established internet users.

Figure 149: Personal details prepared to enter online: newer vs. established users



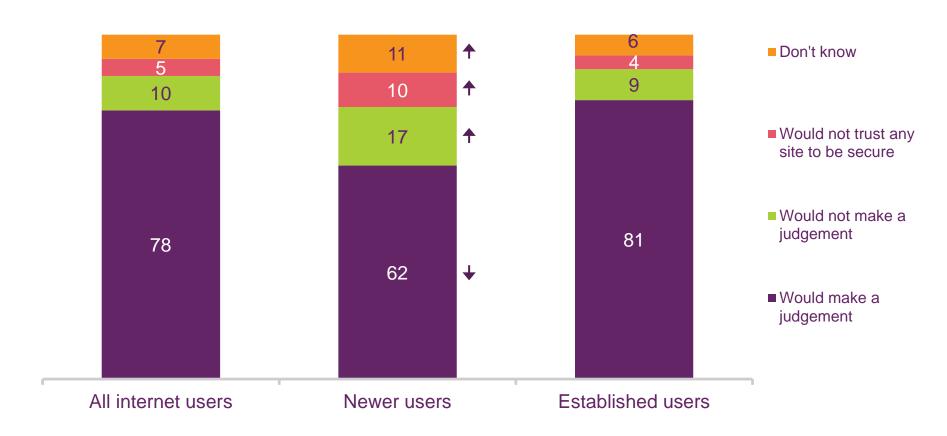
IN38A-E – I'm going to read out some types of information you could be asked to enter when you go online, and for each one I'd like you to say how you would feel about doing this in terms of any security concerns. (Prompted responses, single coded)

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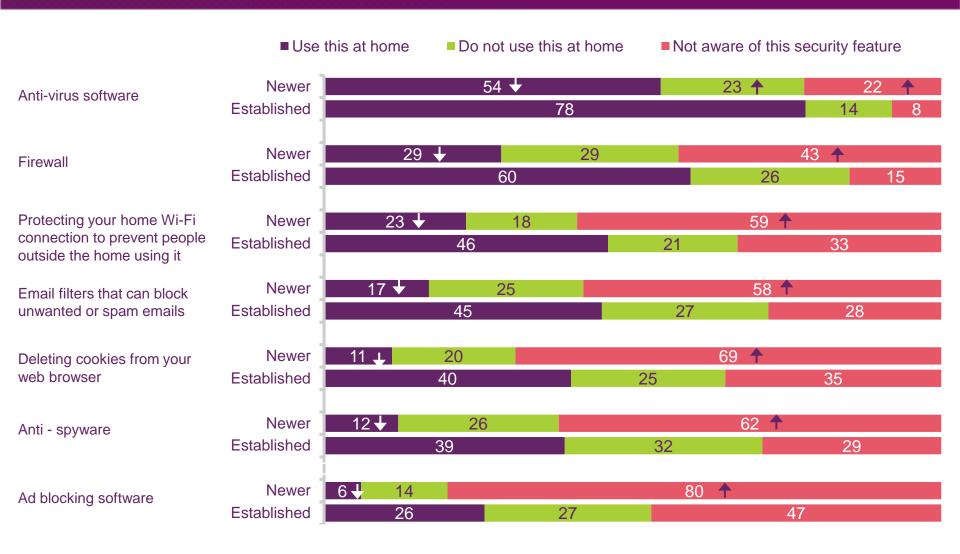




IN39 – Could you tell me whether you would make a judgement about a website before entering these types of details? (credit/ debit card details, home/ mobile number, home/ e-mail address) How would you judge whether a website is secure to enter these type of details? (Unprompted responses, multi-coded)

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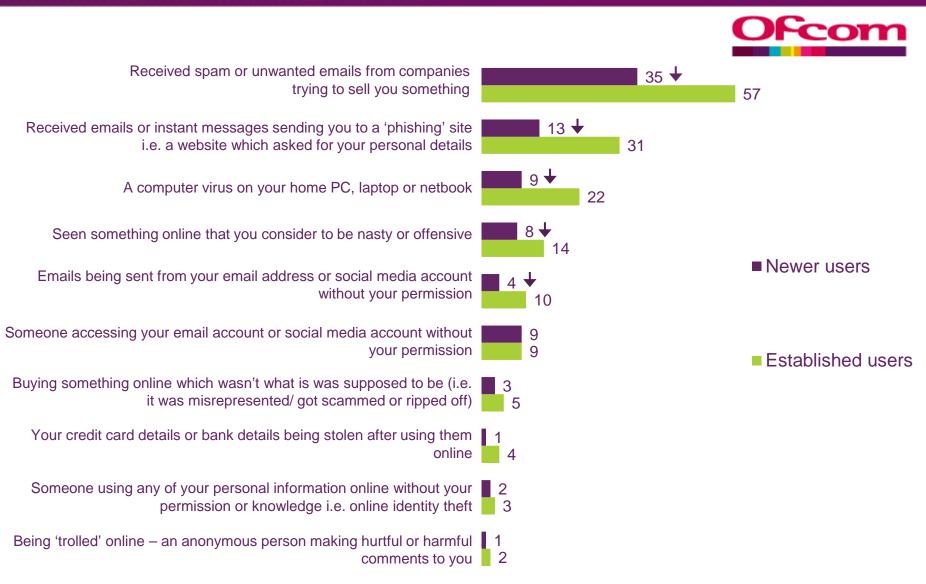
Figure 151: Security measures installed on devices: newer vs. established users



IN7/ IN8 Before today, which, if any, of the following online security measures or safety features had you heard of? And which if any, of those measures or features do you have or use on any of the devices you use to go online at home that are owned by you or a member of your household? (Prompted responses, multi-coded)

Base: Adults aged 16+ who go online at home who first used the internet under 5 years ago (175), 5+ years ago (1155). Significance testing shows any differences between newer and established home internet users.

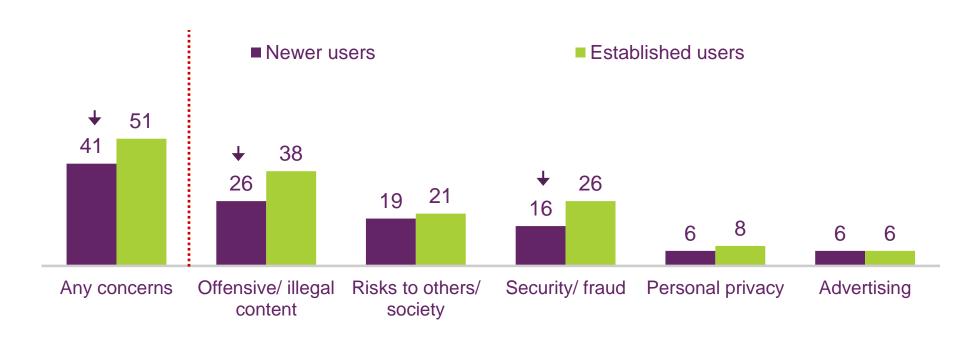
Figure 152: Experience of negative types of online activity: newer vs. established users



IN9 – Which, if any, of the following have you personally experienced in the last 12 months? (Prompted responses, multi-coded)
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Figure 153: Concerns about the internet: newer vs. established users

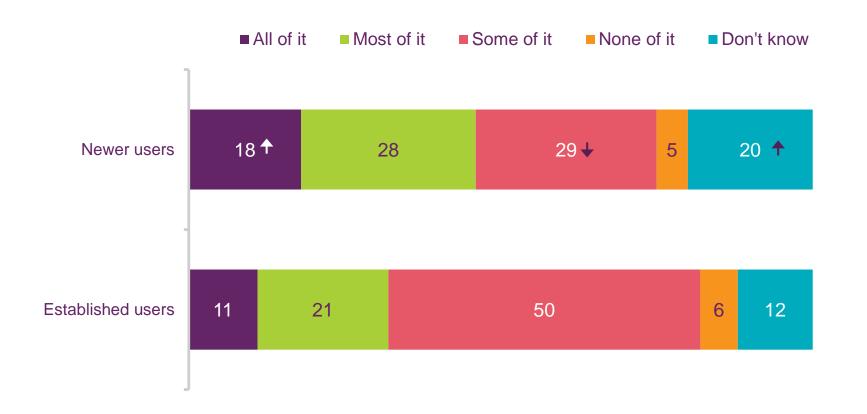




IN34 – Can you tell me if you have any concerns about what is on the internet? (Unprompted responses, multi-coded)
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Figure 154: Opinion on how much of what can be seen or read online is regulated: newer vs. established users



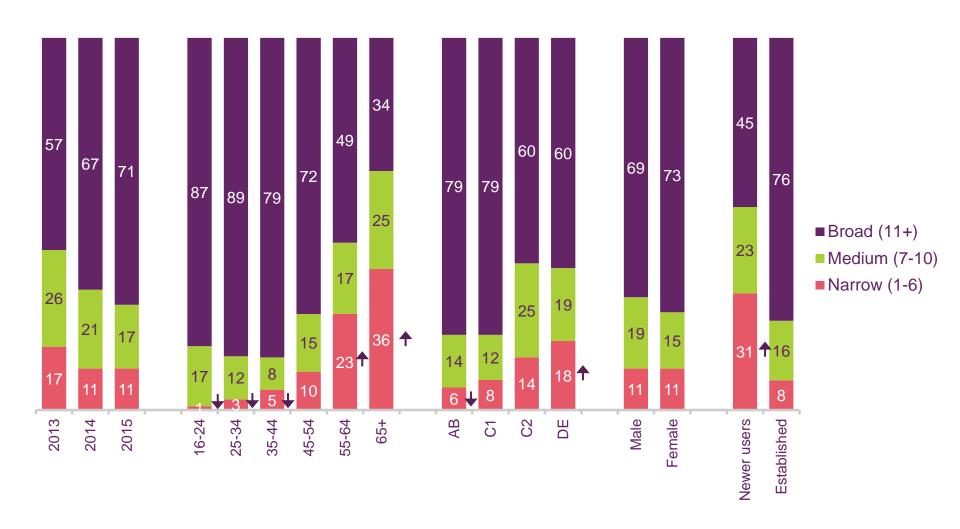


IN36. Thinking now about all the things that can be seen or read online. As far as you know, how much of what can be seen or read online is regulated? By regulation we mean rules and guidelines that must be followed when putting things online (Prompted responses, single coded)

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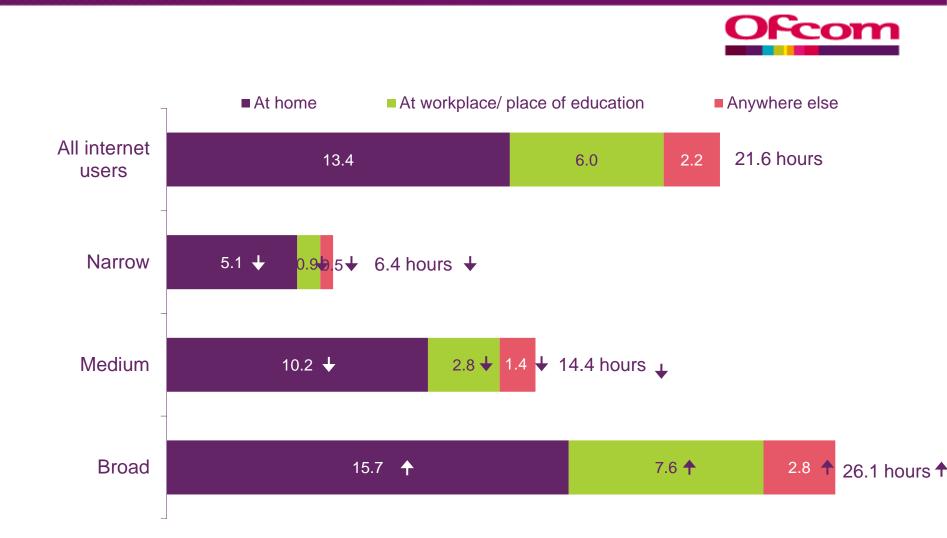
Figure 155: Breadth of use of the internet, by demographic group and recency of use



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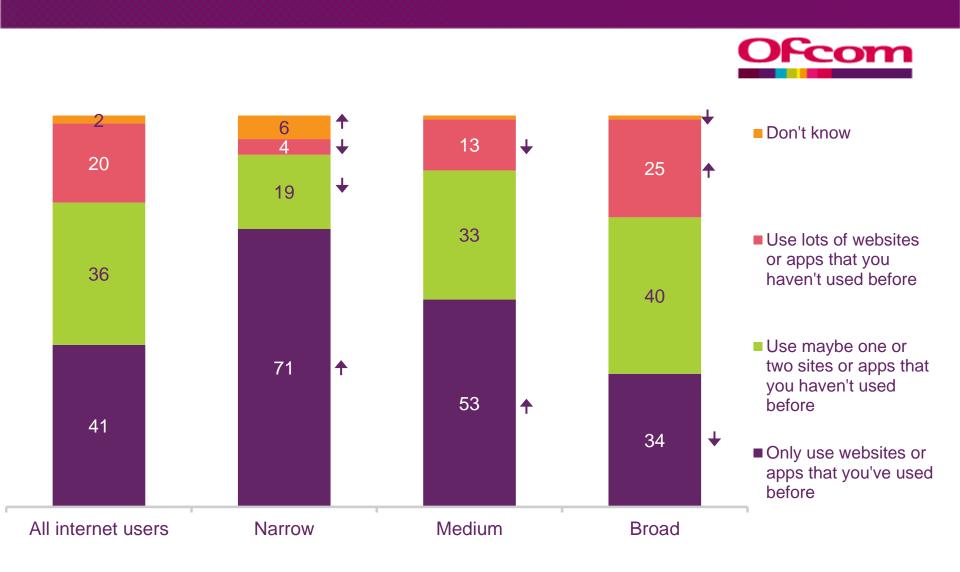
Figure 156: Volume of internet use per week: narrow, medium and broad users



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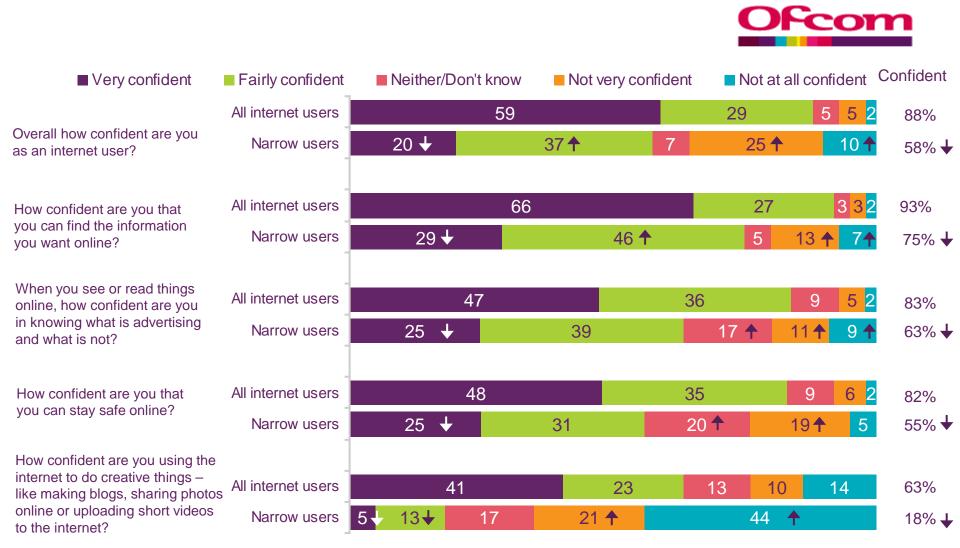
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Figure 157: Use of websites not used before: narrow, medium and broad users



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Figure 158: Confidence as an internet user: narrow vs. all internet users

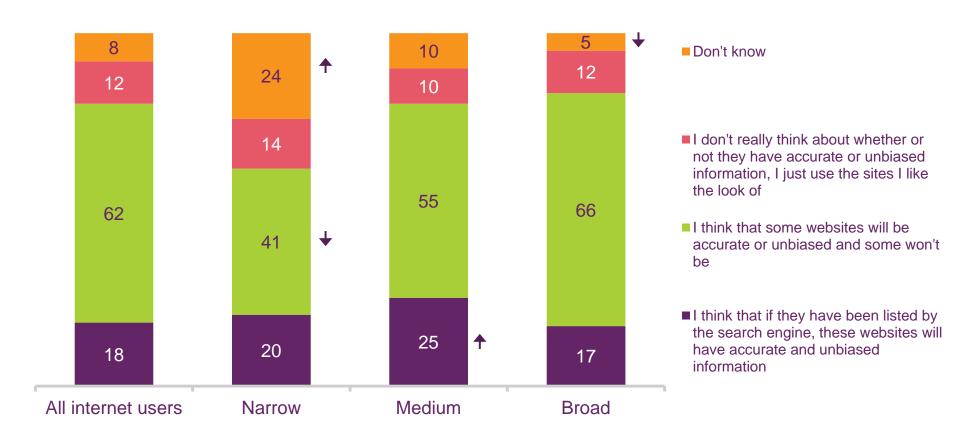


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Figure 159: Opinions on search engine accuracy: narrow, medium and broad users

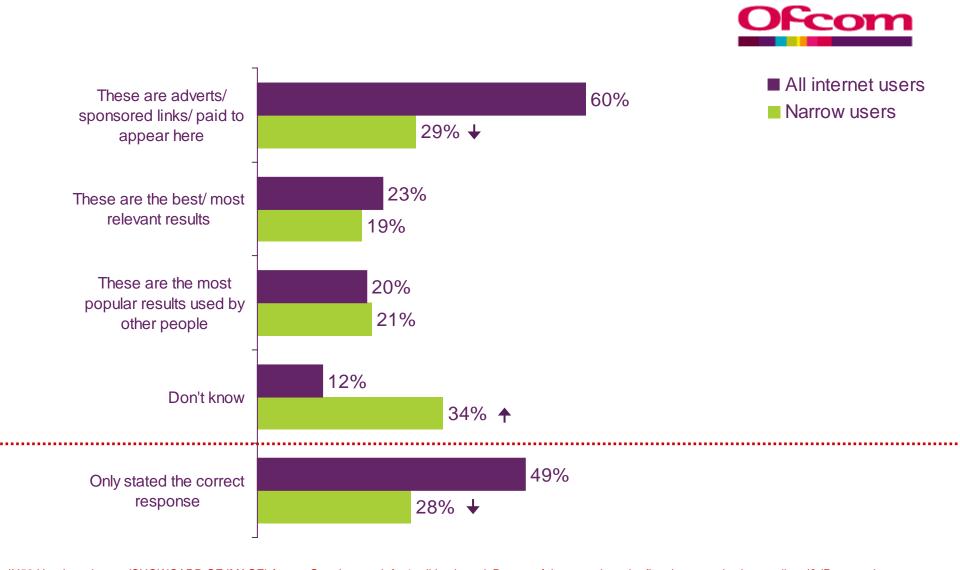




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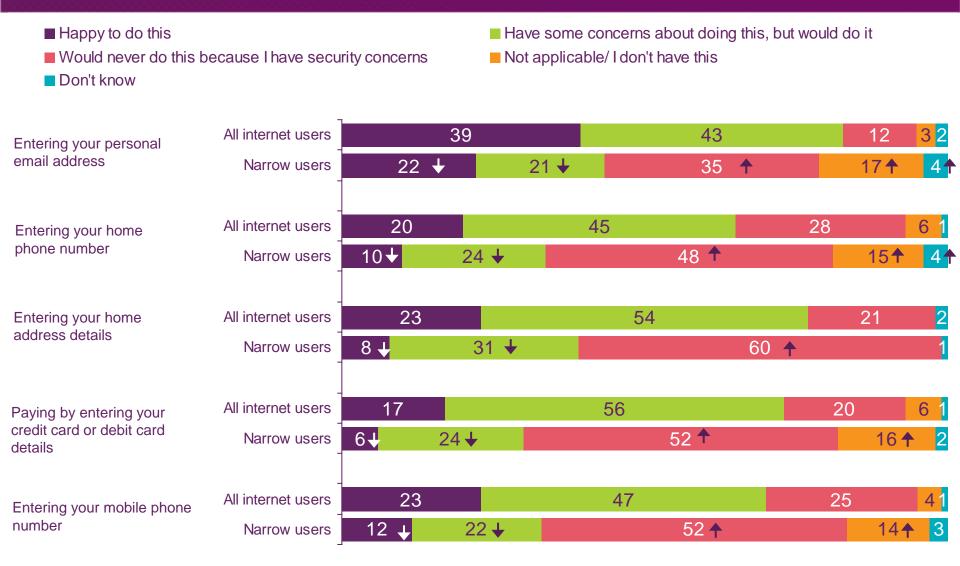
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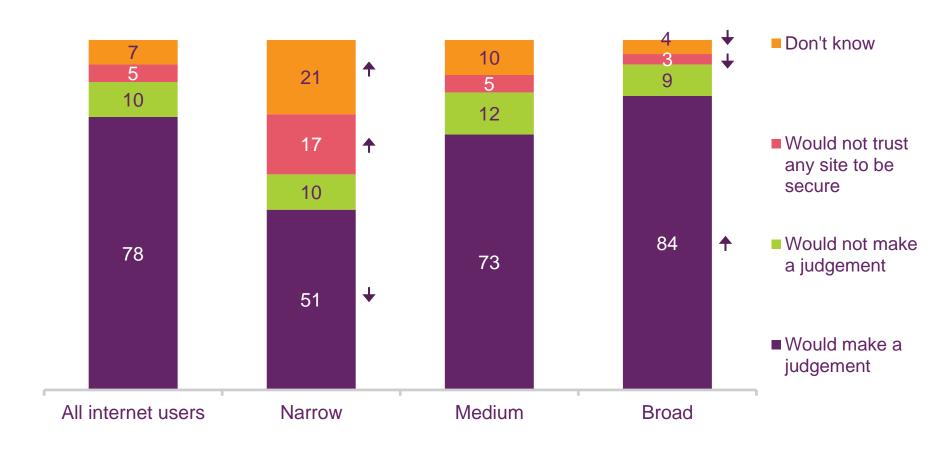


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Figure 162: Judgements made before entering personal details: narrow, medium and broad users

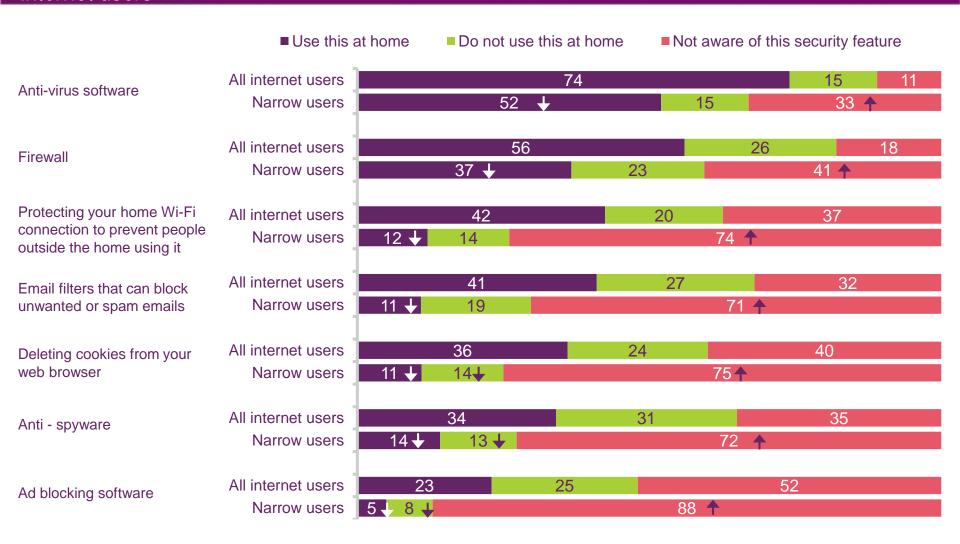




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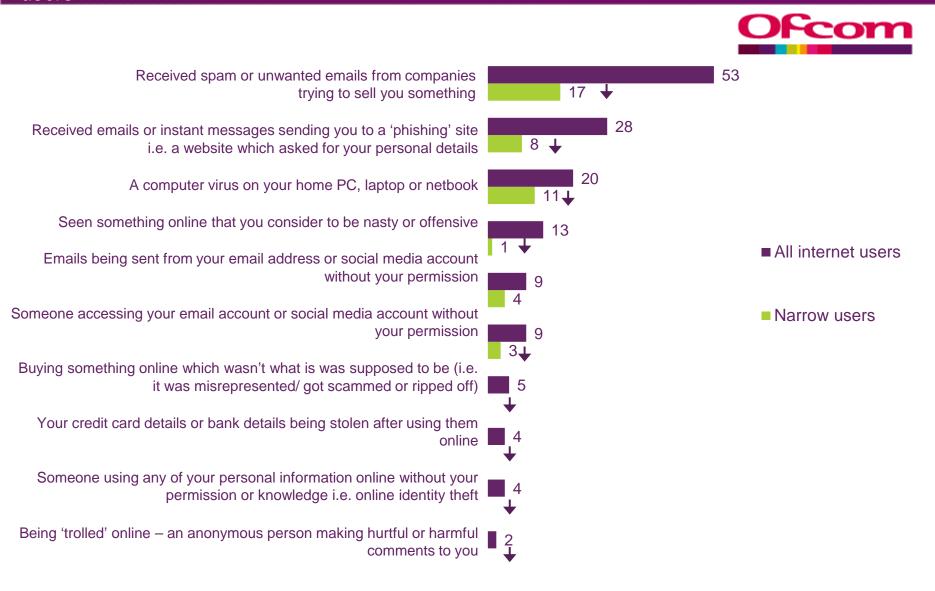
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Base: Adults aged 16+ who go online at home (1398), narrow users (181). Significance testing shows any differences between narrow users and all internet users.

Figure 164: Experience of any negative types of online activity: narrow vs. all internet users

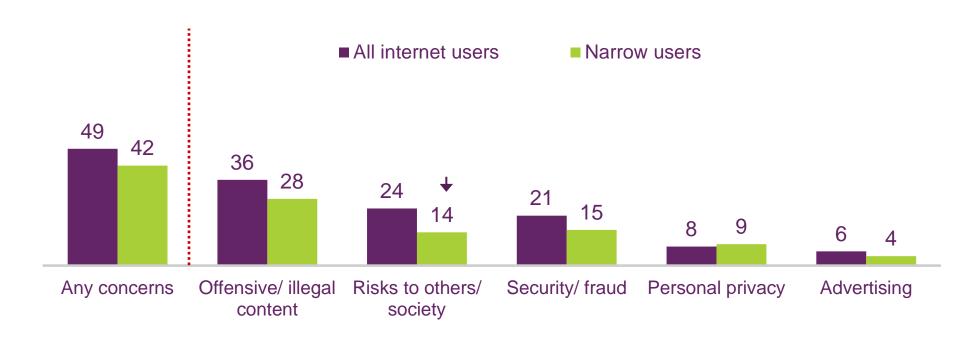


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Figure 165: Concerns about the internet: narrow vs. all internet users





IN34 – Can you tell me if you have any concerns about what is on the internet? (Unprompted responses, multi-coded)
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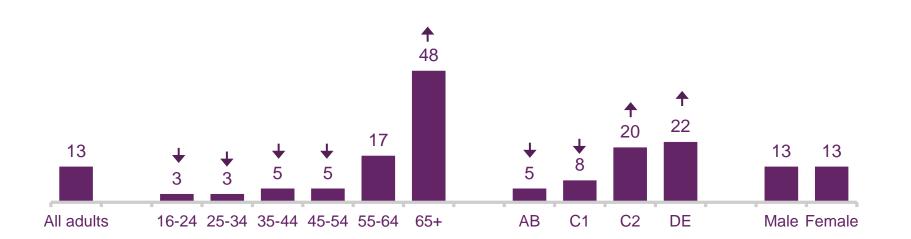


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Figure 167: Incidence of non-use of the internet, by demographic group





IN1/ IN2/ IN3 - Do you or does anyone in your household have access to the internet at home / Do you have and use any of the items shown on this card to go online at home/ Do you ever use any of these devices to go online when you are not at home, this could be when you are at work, at a friend's house, in a library, when travelling somewhere or when out and about (Prompted responses, multi coded)

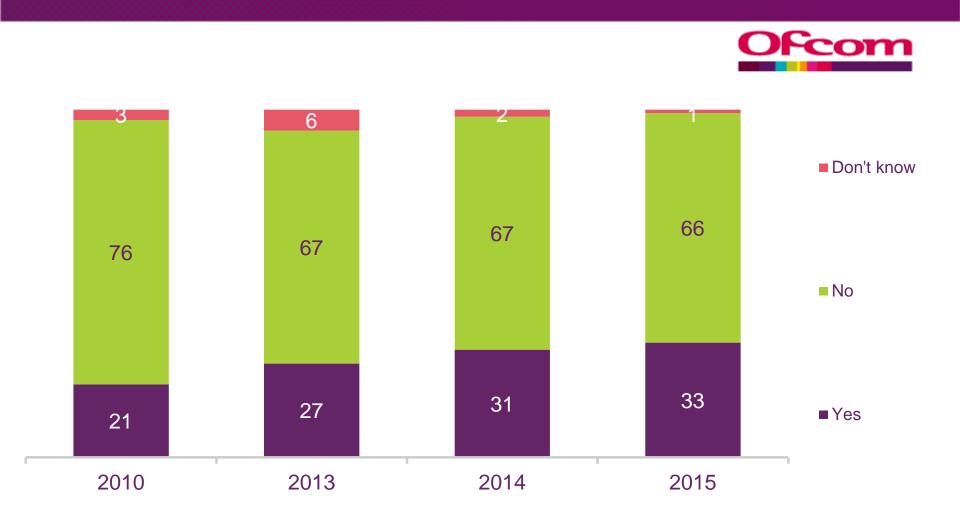
Base: All adults aged 16+ (1841 aged 16+, 246 aged 16-24, 263 aged 25-34, 300 aged 35-44, 279 aged 45-54, 277 aged 55-64, 476 aged 65+, 404 AB, 544 C1, 403 C2, 490 DE, 900 male, 941 female). Significance testing shows any difference by age or socio-economic group compared to all adults, and between males and females.

Figure 168: Demographic profile of all UK adults, users and non-users of the internet



Demographic	All UK adults	Internet users	Non-users of the internet
Base	1841	1458	383
Aged 16-24	14%	15%	3%
Aged 25-34	18%	20%	3%
Aged 35-44	20%	20%	8%
Aged 45-54	14%	17%	6%
Aged 55-64	16%	16%	21%
Aged 65+	17%	12%	58%
AB	25%	29%	10%
C1	29%	28%	15%
C2	18%	20%	33%
DE	27%	22%	42%
Male	48%	49%	50%
Female	52%	51%	50%

Figure 169: Proxy use of the internet in the past year among non-users: 2010-15



IN10 – In the past year, have you asked someone else to send an email for you, get information from the internet for you, or make a purchase from the internet on your behalf? (Prompted responses, single coded)

Base: All adults aged 16+ who do not go online at home or elsewhere (281 in 2014, 383 in 2015)

Figure 170: Whether will become an internet user in the next year, by age and gender



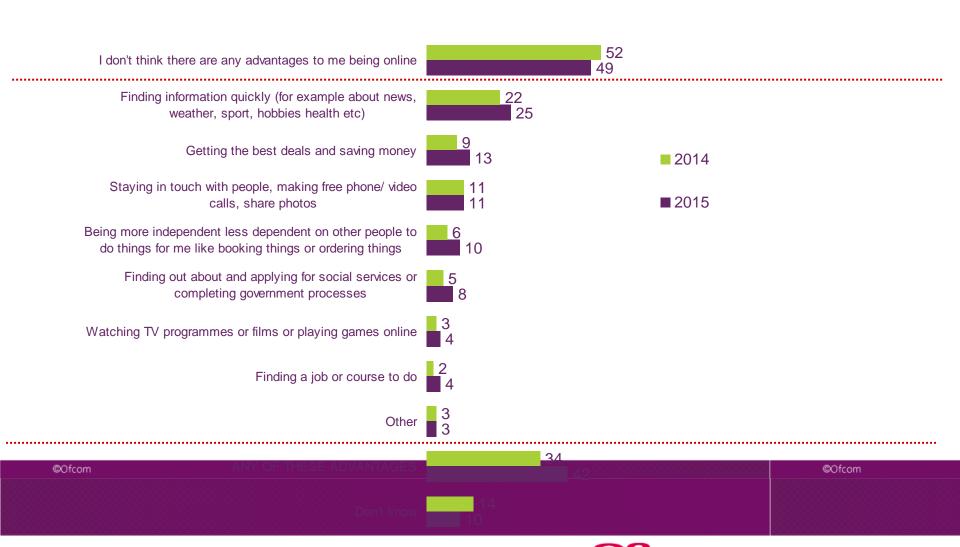


IN11 – You said that you don't go online at the moment either at home or elsewhere using any type of device. Can you tell me if you think this will change in the next year or so? In other words that you will use the internet on a regular basis. (Prompted responses, single coded)

Base: All adults aged 16+ who do not go online at home or elsewhere (383 aged 16+, 147 aged 16-64, 236 aged 65+, 188 male, 195 female) Significance testing shows any differences between age groups and between males and females

Figure 171: Perceived advantages of being online among non-users





IN12 Which, if any, of the following do you think would be the main advantages to you of being online? Can you think of any other advantages for you personally in being online? (Prompted responses, multi-coded)

Base: Adult internet users aged 16+ who do not go online at home or elsewhere (281 in 2014, 383 in 2015)