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Ipsos MORI have been monitoring public trust in professions since 1983. Doctors are consistently rated as the most trustworthy of a variety of professionals â€" including teachers, scientists, politicians and journalists.

This year the poll, commissioned by the Royal College of Physicians, shows that the public's trust in doctors remains high, with 92% of GB adults trusting them to tell the truth.

Teachers, professors, judges and clergymen/priests are also considered trustworthy by at least three-quarters of the population.

Journalists are considered to be the least trustworthy professionals (only 19% of adults trust them to tell the truth). Politicians and government ministers come marginally, but not significantly ahead â€" only one in five adults trust them to tell the truth.

Technical details

Ipsos MORI conducted 2,074 interviews with adults aged 15 plus, in-home and face-to-face, between 12-16 October 2006 in 188 sampling points throughout Great Britain. Data are weighted to match the profile of the population.