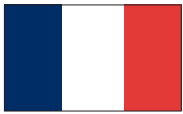


TIME TO REJECT THE PORT SERVICES REGULATION



ACROSS SIX EU COUNTRIES SURVEYED, TWO THIRDS OF ADULTS THINK THAT THE ACTIVITIES OF COMMERCIAL SEA PORTS SHOULD BE OVERSEEN BY THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENTS WHERE THE PORTS ARE BASED. JUST ONE IN FIVE THINK THAT THEY SHOULD BE OVERSEEN BY THE EU.

A survey of 4,506 adults across Europe conducted by Comres in February 2016 asked:

The following question is about commercial sea ports, where freight ships can dock to load and unload. Which of the following do you think should be responsible for overseeing the activities of commercial sea ports in EU countries?

OPTIONS	ALL	Great Britain	France	Poland	Germany	Spain	Italy
The national governments where the ports are based	66%	74%	59%	61%	71%	61%	68%
The European Union (EU)	22%	14%	23%	20%	18%	32%	26%
Neither, ports do not need oversight	5%	3%	7%	11%	4%	2%	2%
Don't know	7%	8%	11%	8%	7%	5%	4%

Base: All respondents (n=4,506). All respondents by country (Britain n=2,006, France n=500, Poland n=500, Germany n=500, Spain n=500, Italy n=500). In the overall figures, the larger number of responses in Britain is weighted down to be equal to those in each other country.



ComRes surveyed 4,506 adults aged 18+ in six EU member countries, Britain (2,006), France (500), Germany (500), Spain (500), Italy (500) and Poland (500), between 19th and 26th February 2016. Data for each country were weighted to be representative of all adults aged 18+ in that country. ComRes is a member of the British Polling Council and abides by its rules. Data tables are available on the ComRes website, www.comres.co.uk.

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