



What is your sex?

A question about gender identity will follow later on in the questionnaire

Female

Male

Save and continue

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Is the gender you identify with the same as your sex registered at birth?

This question is **voluntary**

Yes

No

Enter gender identity

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Select either “Female” or “Male”.

If you're aged 16 or over, a later voluntary question gives the option to tell us if the gender you identify with is different from your sex registered at birth, and if different to record your gender identity.

Answering on behalf of someone else

If you're answering for someone else, where possible you should ask them how they want to answer. If they're away, select the answer you think they would choose.

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Select either “Female” or “Male”.

It's up to you how you answer this question. If you're not sure how to answer you could, for example, use the sex registered on any of your official documents.

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Select either “Female” or “Male”.

If you're not sure how to answer, use the sex registered on your birth certificate.

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Select either “Female” or “Male”.

If you're not sure how to answer, use the sex registered on your birth certificate when you were born.

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✓ Why we ask this question

Your answer helps your local community by allowing charities, organisations, and local and central government to understand what services people might need.

This information is used to monitor equality between groups of people of different sexes. Equality monitoring helps make sure that everyone is treated fairly.

The sex question has been asked since 1801.

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Is the gender you identify with the same as your sex registered at birth?



This question is voluntary, so you can leave it blank if you prefer. We ask this question of people who are aged 16 years and over.

It's up to you how you answer this question.

Select yes if:

- you identify as female and your sex registered at birth was female
- you identify as male and your sex registered at birth was male

Select no if:

- your gender identity is not the same as the sex recorded on your birth certificate when you were born, for example if you're transgender or non-binary

If you answered no, please enter the term you use to describe your gender. This is also voluntary, so you can leave it blank if you prefer.

If you'd like to record that you have variations of sex characteristics, sometimes also known as intersex, you can use this write in box. If you'd like to, you can also write in your gender identity, for example, "non-binary, intersex".