

# Membership Organisation/Trade Association Tracker 2025

**Q: Dealing with a change of government, policy and personnel is challenging. Nine months on, which one of these, if any, best describes your organisation’s working relationship with the Labour government right now?**

Sample size: c200 Membership Organisation/Trade Association leaders, based in the UK



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The Government has made a reasonable effort to be accessible, and that is appreciated. However, there are still too many officials inserting themselves needlessly between Ministers and those wishing to lobby the Government, and this is bad for democracy. Ministers are funded by taxpayers - whether individuals or businesses - and so should hear from various stakeholders and then make their decisions. Officials are also funded by taxpayers and should enable and facilitate, but they should not be policy makers or policy blockers themselves. It will be interesting to see how the Government's proposed reforms of the civil service pan out in the months ahead.

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