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**Starmer** admits people are still 'struggling with the cost of living' in downbeat Christmas message as he faces rising threat of Labour coup

Daily Mail (UK News) · Wed, 24 Dec 2025 14:24:43 GMT

After a chaotic year and with the threat of a Labour coup rising, the PM used his festive address to insist his 'priority' is making life easier in Britain.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15411217/Starmer-admits-people-struggling-cost-living-downbeat-Christmas-message-faces-rising-threat-Labour-coup.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15411217/Starmer-admits-people-struggling-cost-living-downbeat-Christmas-message-faces-rising-threat-Labour-coup.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

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**Starmer** backs down in farm tax row - but why now?

BBC (UK) · Wed, 24 Dec 2025 10:26:37 GMT

A U-turn on inheritance tax plans for farmers raises more questions about political judgement in government.

[https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c62nk8y5erno?at\\_medium=RSS&at\\_campaign=rss](https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c62nk8y5erno?at_medium=RSS&at_campaign=rss)

Did ANY Labour MPs back the farms tax? Ministers join public condemnation of hated policy after **Starmer**'s latest humiliating U-turn - with pressure for pubs raid to be ditched next

Daily Mail (UK News) · Wed, 24 Dec 2025 10:15:23 GMT

Keir Starmer dramatically watered down the controversial inheritance tax raid yesterday, barely a week he defended it in front of a Commons committee.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15411373/Did-Labour-MPs-farms-tax-Ministers-join-public-condemnation-hat-ed-policy-Starmers-latest-humiliating-U-turn-pressure-pubs-raid-ditched-next.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15411373/Did-Labour-MPs-farms-tax-Ministers-join-public-condemnation-hat-ed-policy-Starmers-latest-humiliating-U-turn-pressure-pubs-raid-ditched-next.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

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**Keir Starmer** urges public to ‘reach out’ as he acknowledges cost-of-living struggle

City AM (News) · Wed, 24 Dec 2025 09:43:02 +0000

Prime Minister Keir Starmer has acknowledged that many are “still struggling with the cost of living” in a Christmas message posted on Wednesday morning. He said “we should each do our bit” as he urged people to &#8220;call around to a neighbour, check in on a friend or a relative who you haven’t heard from [...]”

<https://www.cityam.com/keir-starmer-urges-public-to-reach-out-as-he-acknowledges-cost-of-living-struggle/>

**Starmer** urges Britons to ‘reach out’ to each other over Christmas

Independent (News) · Wed, 24 Dec 2025 08:38:02 GMT

Sir Keir Starmer has urged Britons to “reach out to friends, relatives, and neighbours” this Christmas .

<https://www.independent.co.uk/tv/news/keir-starmer-christmas-message-video-b2889986.html>

**Sir Keir Starmer** waters down family farm tax in yet another humiliating U-turn

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The threshold at which inheritance tax will apply to farmers will more than double from £1million to £2.5million, halving the number of estates affected.

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Keir's last Christmas in No10? Voters believe **Starmer** will be gone within a year as anger mounts in Labour ranks at shambolic government

Daily Mail (UK News) · Wed, 24 Dec 2025 01:28:04 GMT

YouGov research found half of the public expect the PM to be gone within a year, including 19 per cent who are 'definite' about his demise.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15409111/Keir-Starmer-Christmas-No10-voters-gone-year-anger-Labour.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15409111/Keir-Starmer-Christmas-No10-voters-gone-year-anger-Labour.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

**Keir Starmer** focuses on high cost of living in Christmas message

Independent (News) · Wed, 24 Dec 2025 00:07:43 GMT

The prime minister said 'we should each do our bit' as he urged Britons to 'reach out' to friends, relatives and neighbours

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/keir-starmer-christmas-message-speech-b2889733.html>

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Sport business quiz 2025: Test your knowledge with City AM's topical teasers

City AM (News) · Wed, 24 Dec 2025 14:37:20 +0000

Quiz fans, have you been paying attention to the ever-changing sport business landscape in 2025? We at City AM have been breathlessly documenting it and have devised a test to see how much you remember. If you think you know your Hundred auctions from your Formula 1 minority sales and your record breaking NBA team [...]

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Bethlehem to celebrate Christmas for first time since Gaza war

Financial Times (World) · Wed, 24 Dec 2025 05:00:29 GMT

Palestinian city to host public festivities after years of disruption, but tourists have yet to return

<https://www.ft.com/content/355d8ada-ae50-4c36-bae5-28e37575d6c1>

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## **Rhun Ap Iorwerth**

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## **Mary Lou McDonald**

Donald Trump bans two Britons and former EU commissioner from the States for 'curbing American free speech'

Daily Mail (Articles) · Wed, 24 Dec 2025 14:47:14 +0000

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UK social media campaigners are among five people denied US visas.

<https://www.express.co.uk/news/politics/2150259/donald-trump-bans-britons-visas>

Donald Trump has it in for Brutalism

Economist (Latest) · Wed, 24 Dec 2025 12:10:44 +0000

This time the president has the capital's developers on his side, and possibly public opinion too

<https://www.economist.com/united-states/2025/12/24/donald-trump-has-it-in-for-brutalism>

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Fed-up mechanic claims **McDonald's** has cost him thousands after power outages 'caused by nearby restaurant' forced him to cancel jobs

Daily Mail (UK News) · Wed, 24 Dec 2025 00:21:37 GMT

Alex Payne said one outage left his business without electricity for nearly two days. An electrician told him an underground electrical joint was not properly sealed against rainwater.

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