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Methodology: face-to-face

1. COUNTRY HIGHLIGHTS

Almost eight in ten respondents in Bulgaria believe that climate change is a 'very serious' problem (79%), equal to the EU average of 79%, an increase of seven percentage points (pp) since the previous survey in 2017. However, the proportion who consider it the most serious problem facing the world is the lowest of any Member State, though has increased by three pp since 2017 to 10%, (vs the EU average of 23%).

More than three in ten (32%, well below the EU average of 60%) say that they have personally taken action to fight climate change in the past six months – an increase of 11 pp since the previous survey. When given specific examples of climate actions, this proportion increases to 75% (below the EU average of 93%).

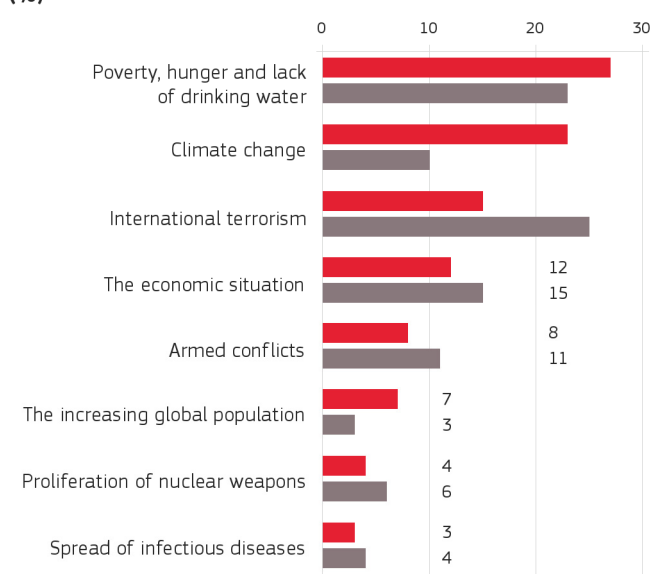
The proportion of respondents in Bulgaria who take lower energy consumption into account when buying a new household appliance has risen by 10 pp since 2017 (46% vs the EU average of 48%). The proportion of respondents who agree that more public financial support should be given to the transition to clean energies, has increased by 8 pp to 73%, though remains below the EU average of 84%. They are also more likely than in 2017 to agree that reducing fossil fuel imports can increase energy security and benefit the EU economically (64%, an increase of seven pp since 2017, but below the EU average of 72%).

A large proportion of respondents believe it is important for national governments to set ambitious targets to increase the use of renewable energy, an increase of six pp to 83%, (vs the EU average of 92%). Moreover, a significant majority, (88% vs the EU average of 89%) support improving energy efficiency by 2030 – an increase of seven pp since 2017.

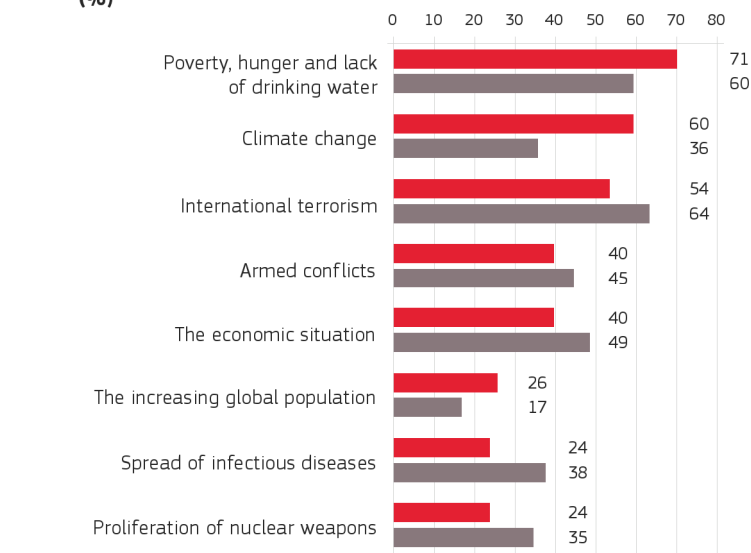
Most importantly, 90% of respondents in Bulgaria (vs the EU average of 92%) support the aim of making the EU climate-neutral by 2050.

2. EUROPEAN PERCEPTIONS OF CLIMATE CHANGE 1/2

QB1a Which of the following do you consider to be the single most serious problem facing the world as a whole?
(%)



QB1T Which of the following do you consider to be the single most serious problem facing the world as a whole? Which others do you consider to be serious problems? (MAX. 4 ANSWERS)
(%)



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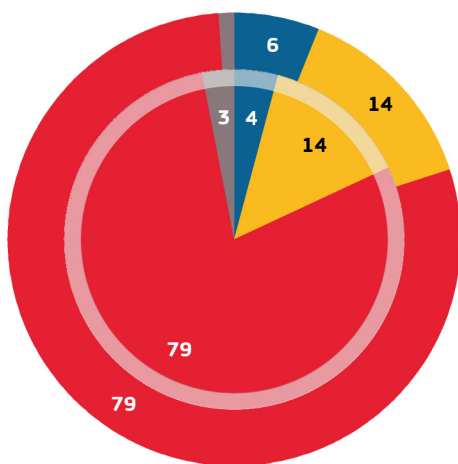
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3. EUROPEAN PERCEPTIONS OF CLIMATE CHANGE 2/2

QB2 And how serious a problem do you think climate change is at this moment? Please use a scale from 1 to 10, with '1' meaning it is "not at all a serious problem" and '10' meaning it is "an extremely serious problem".

(%)



● Total 'Not a serious problem' (1-4)

● Total 'A fairly serious problem' (5-6)

● Total 'A very serious problem' (7-10)

● Don't know

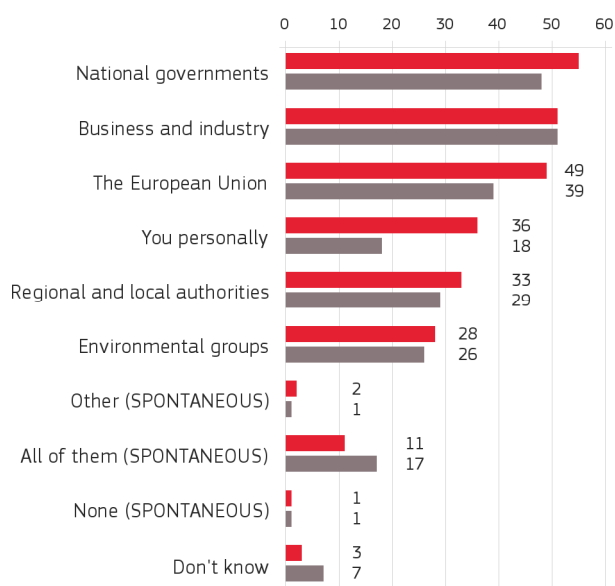
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EU28		BG	
2019	2019-2017	2019	2019-2017
6	=	4	- 1
14	- 4	14	- 2
79	+ 5	79	+ 7
1	- 1	3	- 4

4. TAKING ACTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE 1/2

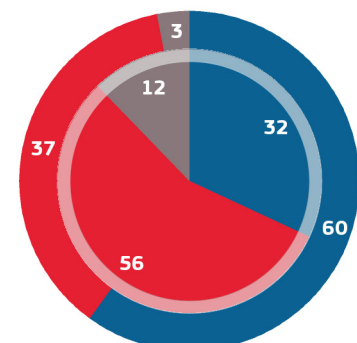
QB3 In your opinion, who within the EU is responsible for tackling climate change? (MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

(%)



QB5 Have you personally taken any action to fight climate change over the past six months?

(%)



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● Yes

● No

● Don't know

EU28		BG	
2019	2019-2017	2019	2019-2017
60	+ 11	32	+ 11
37	- 10	56	- 11
3	- 1	12	=

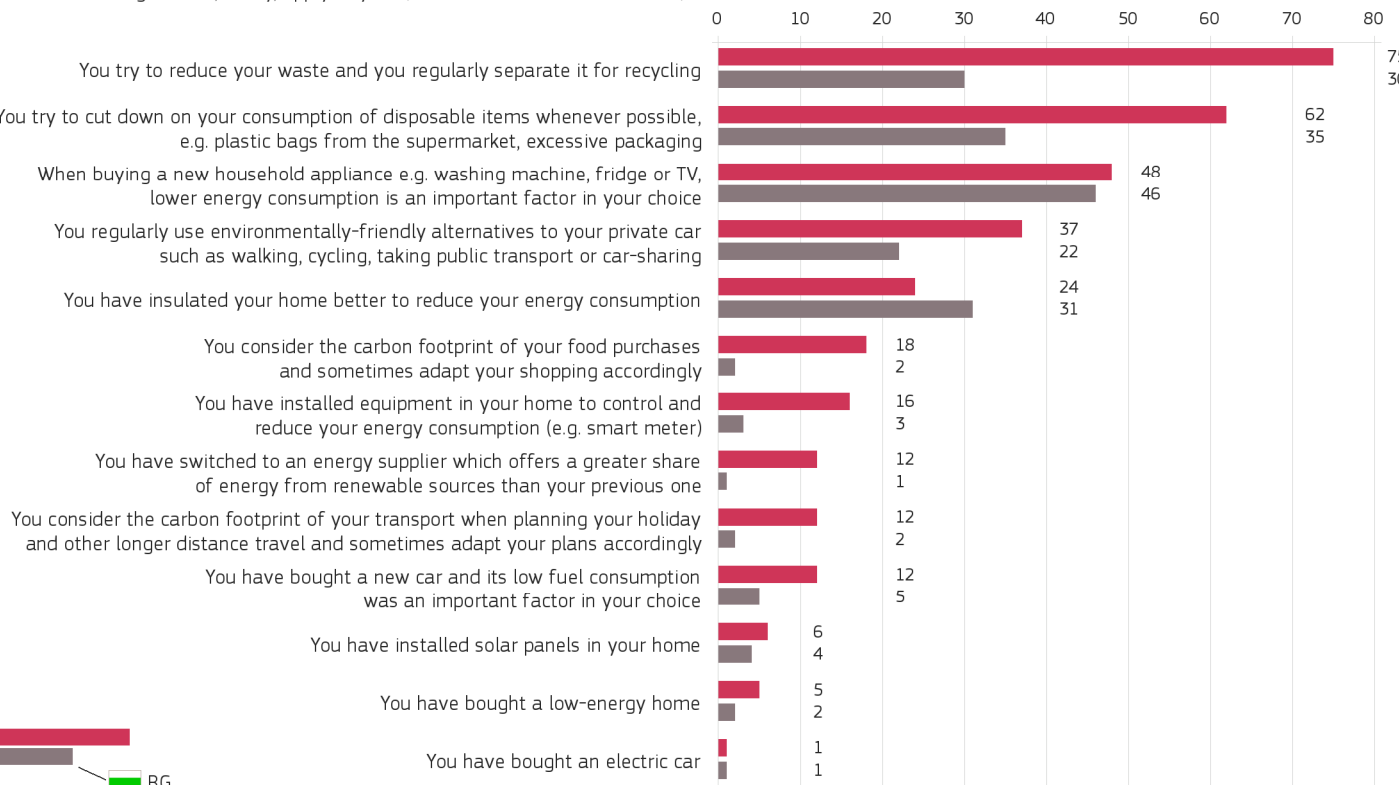
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5. TAKING ACTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE 2/2

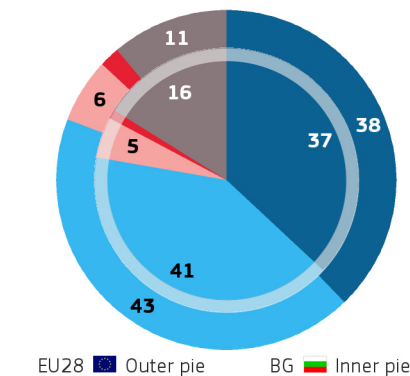
QB6 Which of the following actions, if any, apply to you? (MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)
(%)



6. ATTITUDES TO FIGHTING CLIMATE CHANGE

QB4.1 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

Promoting EU expertise in new clean technologies to countries outside the EU can benefit the EU economically (%)

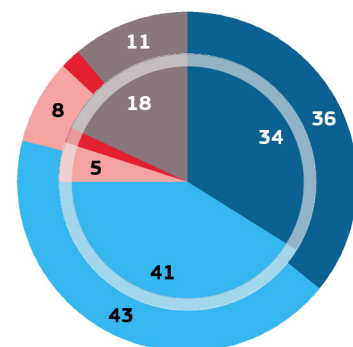


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	EU28		BG	
	2019	2019-2017	2019	2019-2017
Totally agree	38	+ 5	37	+ 1
Tend to agree	43	- 1	41	+ 5
Tend to disagree	6	- 1	5	+ 2
Totally disagree	2	=	1	=
Don't know	11	- 3	16	- 8

QB4.3 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

Taking action on climate change will lead to innovation that will make EU companies more competitive (%)



 Totally agree
 Tend to agree
 Tend to disagree
 Totally disagree
 Don't know

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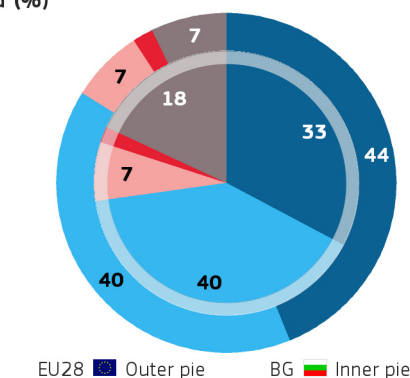
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7. ATTITUDES TOWARDS TRANSITION TO CLEAN ENERGIES AND ADAPTING TO THE ADVERSE IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE

QB4.4 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

More public financial support should be given to the transition to clean energies even if it means subsidies to fossil fuels should be reduced (%)



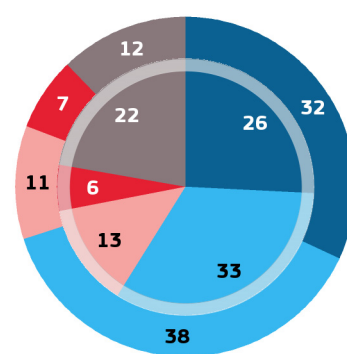
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● Totally agree
 ● Tend to agree
 ● Tend to disagree
 ● Totally disagree
 ● Don't know

EU28		BG	
2019	2019-2017	2019	2019-2017
44	+ 5	33	+ 3
40	=	40	+ 5
7	=	7	+ 2
2	=	2	=
7	- 5	18	- 10

QB4.5 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

Adapting to the adverse impacts of climate change can have positive outcomes for citizens in the EU (%)

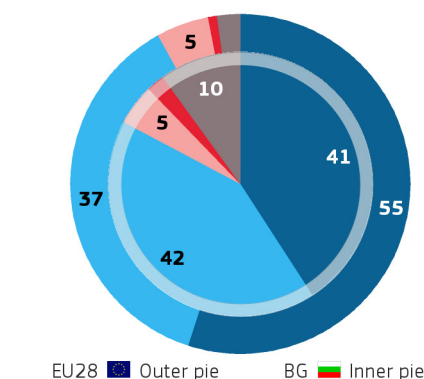


● Totally agree
 ● Tend to agree
 ● Tend to disagree
 ● Totally disagree
 ● Don't know

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8. LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

QB7 How important do you think it is that the (NATIONALITY) government sets ambitious targets to increase the amount of renewable energy used, such as wind or solar power, by 2030? (%)

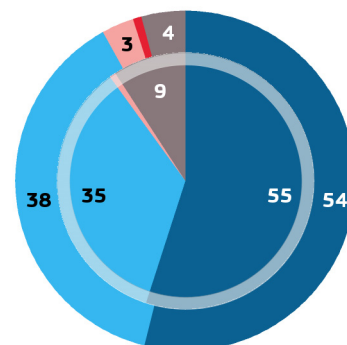


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● Very important
 ● Fairly important
 ● Not very important
 ● Not at all important
 ● Don't know

EU28		BG	
2019	2019-2017	2019	2019-2017
55	+ 4	41	+ 2
37	- 1	42	+ 4
5	=	5	+ 1
1	- 1	2	=
2	- 2	10	- 7

QB9 To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement: We should reduce greenhouse gas emissions to a minimum while offsetting the remaining emissions, for instance by increasing forested areas, to make the EU economy climate neutral by 2050. (%)



● Totally agree
 ● Tend to agree
 ● Tend to disagree
 ● Totally disagree
 ● Don't know

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