



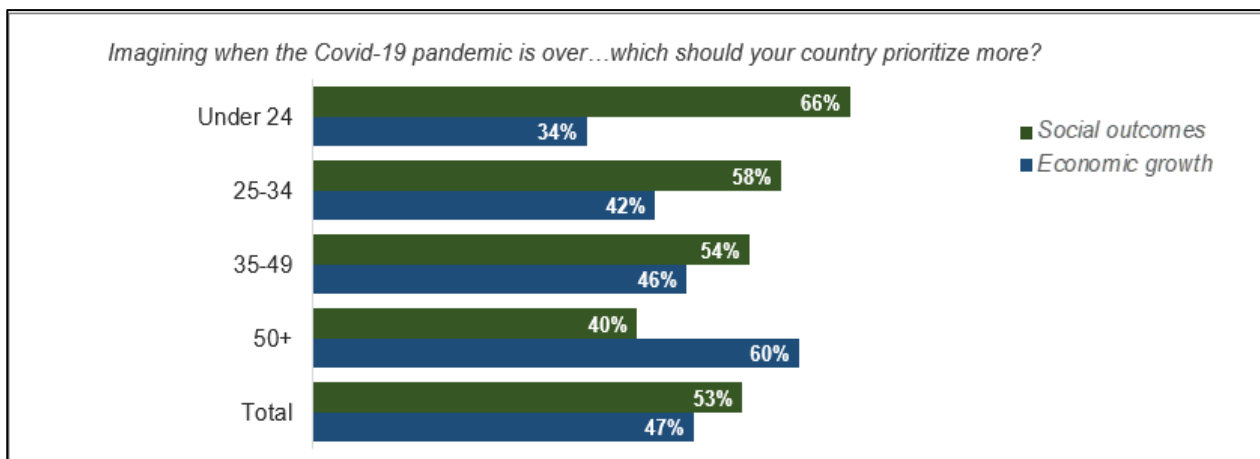
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Majority favors social progress over economic growth in the wake of the coronavirus pandemic

Washington, DC, September 10, 2020 — A new Ipsos survey in partnership with the Social Progress Imperative indicates that a majority across countries hit hardest by the COVID-19 pandemic want social progress – rather than economic growth – to be at the fore as the crisis continues and once it ends.

Conducted among a random sample of over 10,000 adults from 13 countries, the survey finds that seven in ten are prioritizing the health and well-being of the population over GDP, and more than half want improved social outcomes to remain a priority even after the pandemic is over.

Though young people are least likely to suffer severe cases of the virus and most likely to experience negative consequences as a result of the pandemic's economic impact, the survey found that the youngest respondents were the most likely to report prioritizing social progress. Two in three respondents under 24 (66%) wanted their country to focus on improving social outcomes, compared with just two in five (40%) of those over 50, who are most at risk.



Among the countries in which the virus is most pervasive – the U.S., Brazil, Chile, and Peru – nearly three in four (72%) reported wanting to prioritize health and well-being in the near-term, and a majority (52%) reported wanting to continue prioritizing social outcomes in the longer term, even after the pandemic ends.

About the Study

Ipsos interviewed a total of 10,013 adults aged 16-74 in Australia, Brazil, Chile, India, Italy, Mexico, Peru, Russia, Spain and the United Kingdom, and aged 18-74 in Canada, South Africa and the United States, between July 24th and August 7th, 2020.





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The sample consists of approximately 1,000 individuals in each of Australia, Brazil, Canada, Italy, Spain, the UK, and the US, and approximately 500 individuals in each of India, Mexico, Russia, South Africa, Chile, and Peru.

The samples in Australia, Canada, the UK, Italy, Spain, and the U.S. can be taken as representative of these countries' general adult population under the age of 75. The samples in Brazil, Chile, India, Malaysia, Mexico, Peru, Russia, and South Africa are more urban, more educated, and/or more affluent than the general population. The survey results for these countries should be viewed as reflecting the views of the more "connected" segment of these population.

The data is weighted so that each country's sample composition best reflects the demographic profile of the adult population according to the most recent census data.

Where results do not sum to 100 or the 'difference' appears to be +/-1 more/less than the actual, this may be due to rounding, multiple responses or the exclusion of don't knows or not stated responses.

The precision of Ipsos online polls are calculated using a credibility interval with a poll of 1,000 accurate to +/- 3.5 percentage points and of 500 accurate to +/- 4.8 percentage points. For more information on the Ipsos use of credibility intervals, please visit the Ipsos website.

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The Social Progress Imperative is a US-based nonprofit exclusively focused on redefining how the world measures success, putting things that matter to people's lives at the top of the agenda. Established in 2012, they strive to improve the lives of people around the world by fostering research and knowledge sharing on social progress and using data to catalyze action.

It develops the Social Progress Index to measure on how well countries and communities convert their resources into social and environmental outcomes that impact the lives of people every day—like health, safety, education, rights and opportunity. Empowering decision makers and everyday citizens with this hard data and vital new insight allows them to understand precisely how people are really living and who is being left behind.

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