WOMEN IN TIMES OF COVID-19

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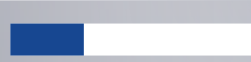
EU27 (26 741 interviews among women)

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Priority measures the European Parliament should focus on...

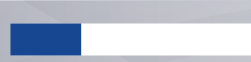**47**% Trafficking and sexual exploitation of women and children

47% Mental and physical violence against women

41% The pay gap between women and men, and its impact on career development

31% The stronger difficulties for women in reconciling their private and working lives (work-life balance)

30% Protection of women and girls belonging to vulnerable groups

Has violence against women increased during the COVID-19 pandemic?

77% think that the pandemic led to an increase of violence against women

Know of women in their circle of friends and family who have experienced the following since the start of the pandemic

16% Online harassment / Cyber violence

16% Street harassment

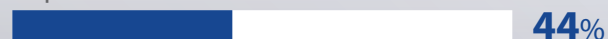**14**% Domestic violence or abuse
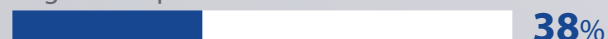
14% Economic violence

11% Harassment at work

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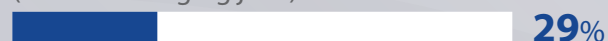The pandemic has had a negative impact on their work-life balance
44%

The pandemic has had a negative impact on their income
38%

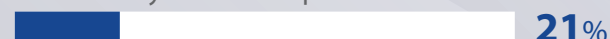Because of the pandemic's impact on the job market, they could do less paid work than they wanted to
31%

Because of the pandemic their professional decisions changed (such as changing jobs)
29%

Because of the increase in work at home, they could do less paid work than they wanted to
25%

Because of the pandemic they are considering / have decided permanently reducing the amount of time they allocate to paid work
21%

Note that this question was only asked to women with professional activity

The COVID-19 pandemic and impact on mental health
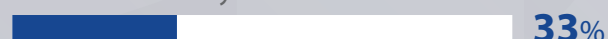
Most common worries and feelings are...

Worried about / missing friends / family
44%

Feeling worried / anxious and getting stressed out
37%

Worried about my future
33%

Feeling trapped / stuck at home
30%

Feeling lonely / isolated
29%

Women feeling worried about / missing friends or family by age group

15-24 years old	25-39 years old	40-54 years old	55+ years old
43%	**43**%	**41**%	**48**%

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