OBS'COP 2022 CLIMATE CHANGE AND PUBLIC OPINIONS INTERNATIONAL OBSERVATORY

Presentation of results in United Kingdom

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GAME CHANGERS



A reference study in 30 countries

The sample of countries questioned includes:

1 Countries with the highest CO2 emissions in tons per year, which can therefore be considered as the biggest contributors to climate change

2 Along with countries selected based on:

- their geographic location: African countries (no African countries among the countries with the highest emissions) or located in the center of the European Union (Belgium).
- their exemplariness when it comes to fighting climate change and the socioeconomic model (Norway, Sweden)





Context and methodology

Context

A wide-ranging, brand new study initiated by EDF and conducted by Ipsos in 30 countries, including countries with the highest CO2 emissions, and representative of two-thirds of the global population.

As a major player in the energy sector on an international level, EDF wanted to produce an international status report on opinions, knowledge, expectations and levels of engagement in relation to climate change, to add to reflection and contribute to the constructive search for solutions for the future.

This report is intended for United Kingdom only

Methodology

Nationally representative sample of the population aged 16 and over.

Data collection method: Ipsos online panel

Sample size: 1000 respondents

Quotas: gender, age, region, profession, agglomeration

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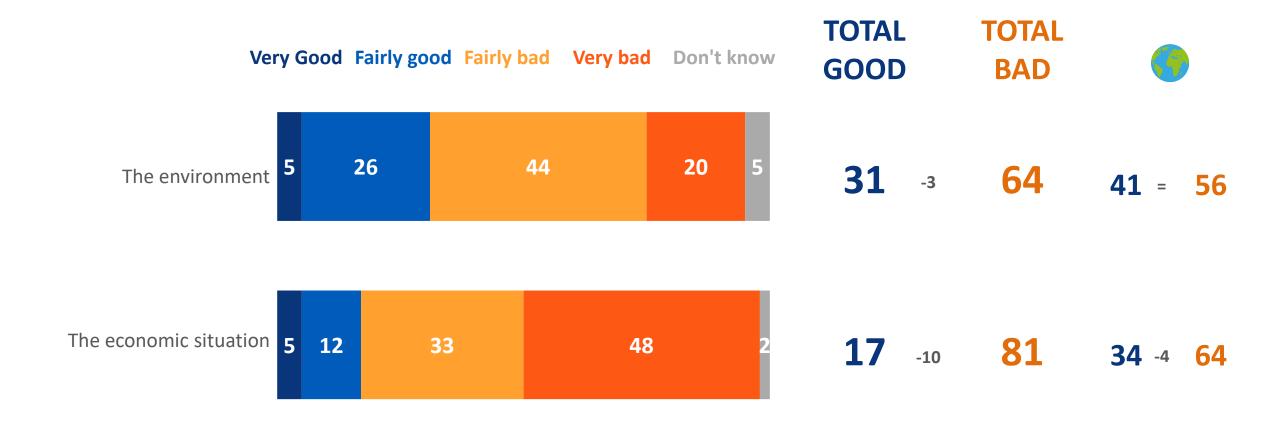
Fieldwork dates: 31 August to 6 September 2022





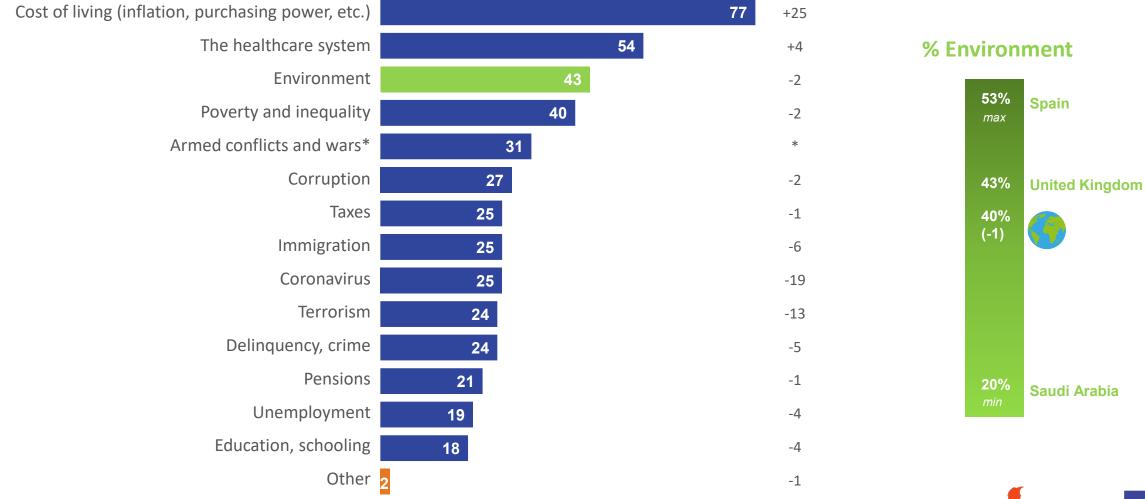
Most British people consider the environmental and economic situation to be bad in their country and that it has deteriorated

For each of the following areas, tell me whether the situation in your country seems to you to be:



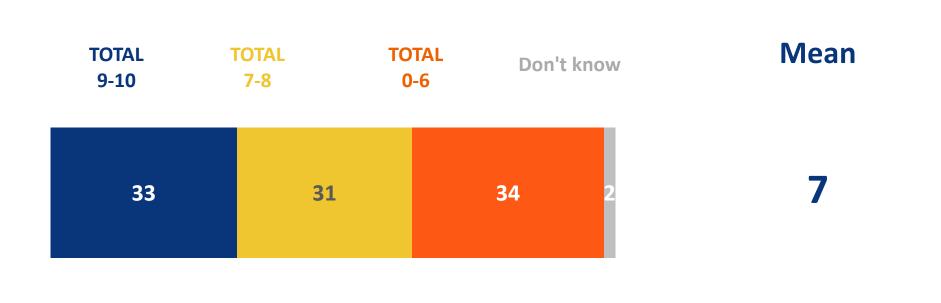


Within this context, there has been a steep increase in those most worried about the cost of living, while the environment is less of a concern From this list, which topics worry you the most?

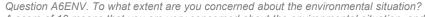


One third of British people are very concerned about the environment, slightly below the global average

To what extent are you concerned about the environmental situation?







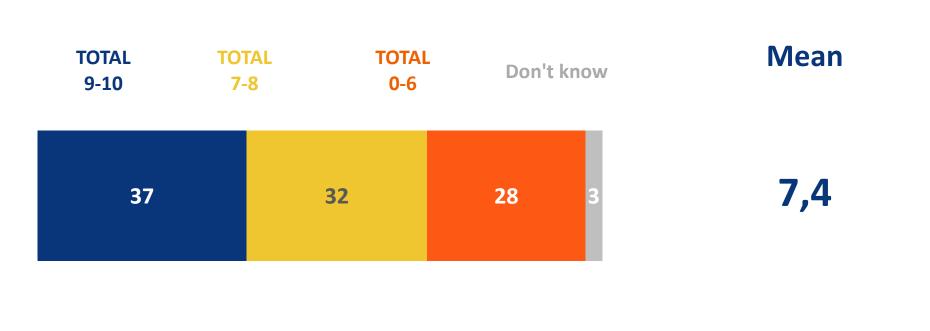
A score of 10 means that you are very concerned about the environmental situation, and a score of 0 means that you are not concerned at all. Scores in between can be used to express your opinion more precisely.

Base: All



When asked about climate change, nearly 4 in 10 are very concerned

To what extent are you concerned about climate change?





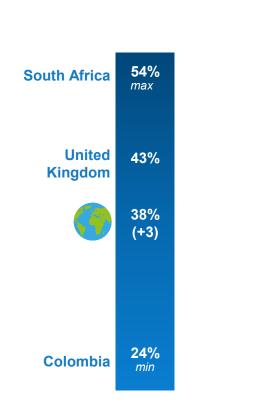


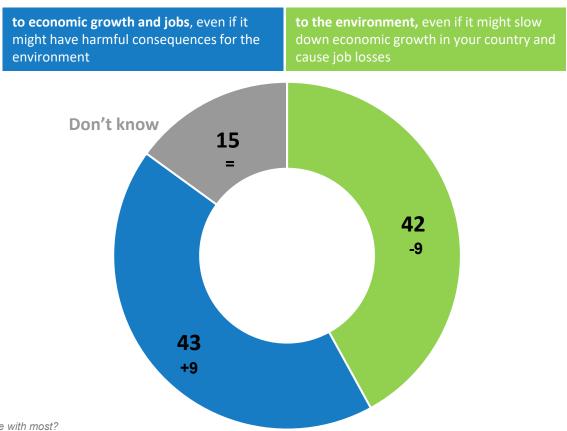


Equal priority is now given to the economy and the environment, following a small majority last year for the environment

Which of the following two statements do you agree with most?

Priority SHOULD be given...







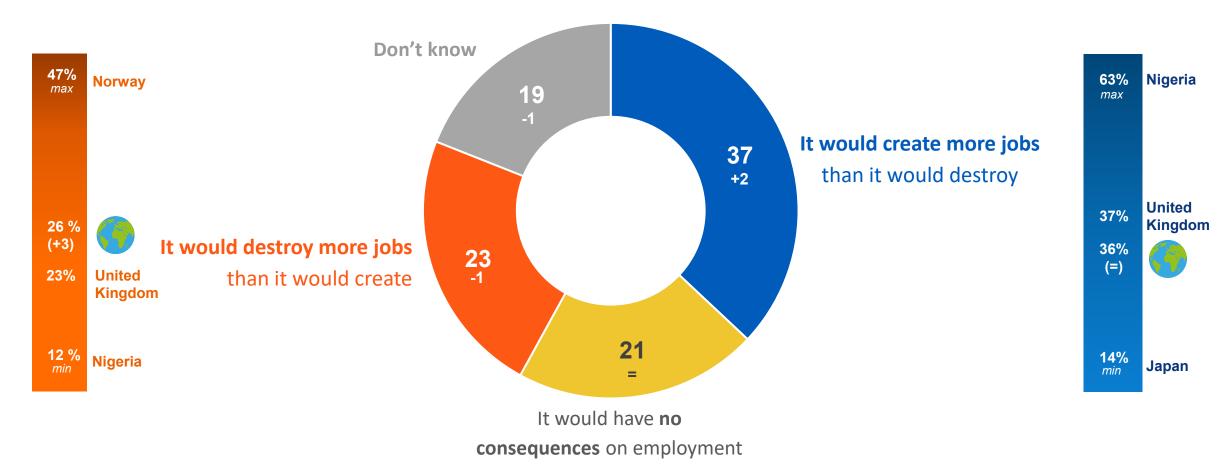




Question A2. Which of the following two statements do you agree with most? Base: All

Favoring the environment would have more of a positive impact – or at least a neutral one – on employment

If the decision was made to prioritize the environment in your country, do you think that:

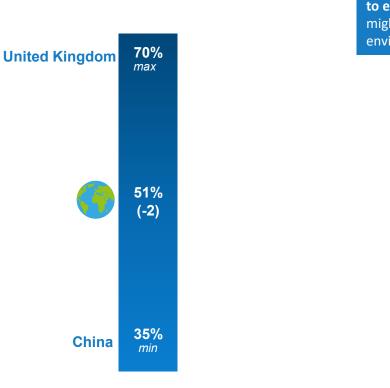


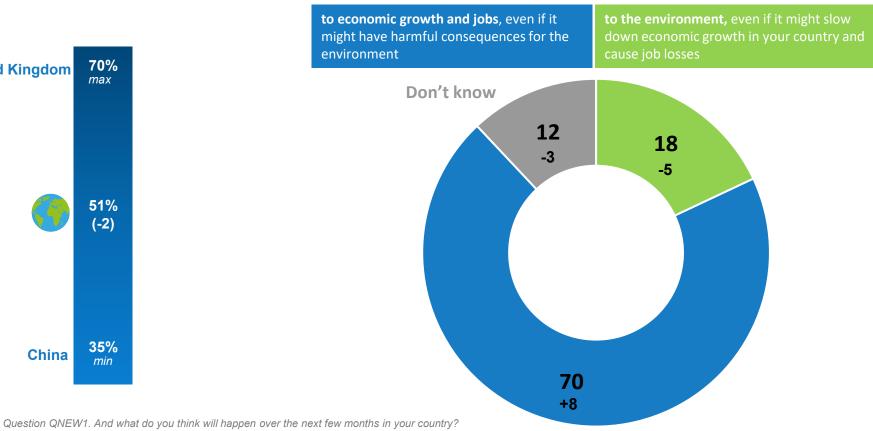


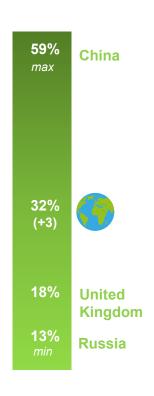


7 in 10 Brits consider that priority will be given to the economy and employment over the coming months, the highest globally And what do you think will happen over the next few months in your country?

We WILL TAKE priority...









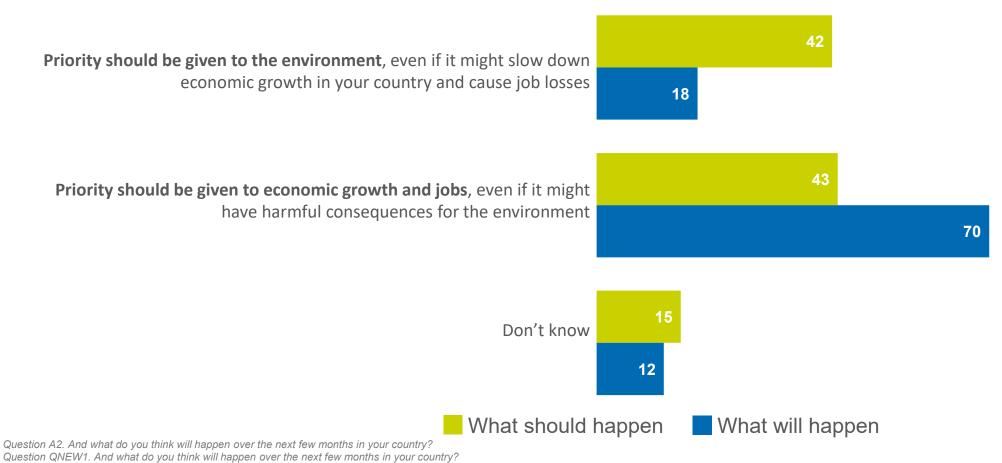


Base: All

There remains a gap between what the population want and what they expect to happen

Which of the following two statements do you agree with most?

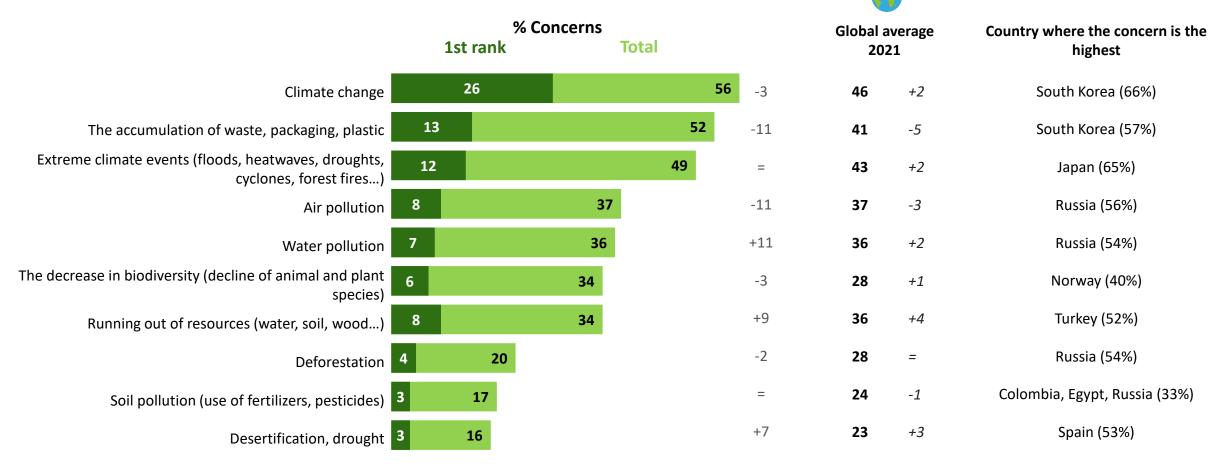
And what do you think will happen over the next few months in your country?





Climate change tops the list of environment-related concerns, overtaking waste, packaging and plastic

Which environmental problems do you think are the most concerning in your country?

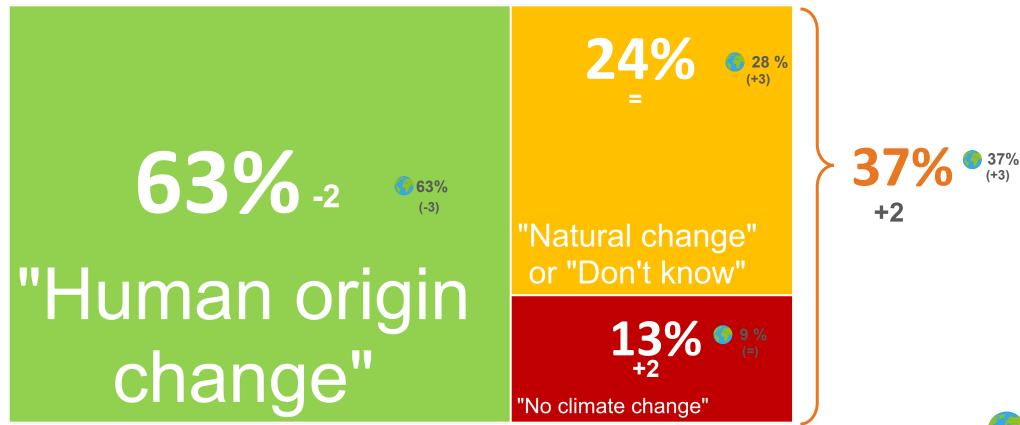


Question A3. From the following list, which environmental problems do you think are the most concerning in your country?

Base: All



Despite the increase in the number of climate-sceptics, nearly two-thirds of citizens remain convinced of the existence of climate change caused by human activity



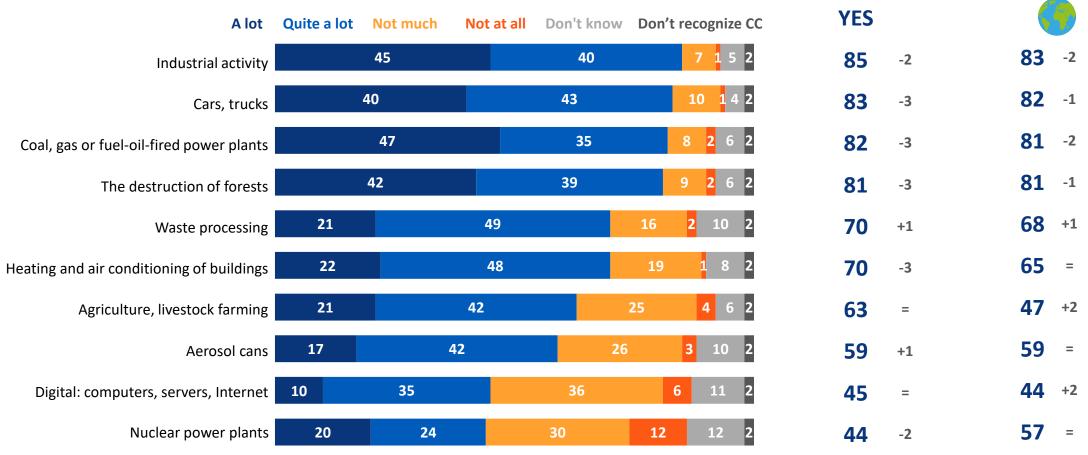






Industry is viewed as the activity producing the most greenhouses gases, along with cars, production of electricity from fossil fuels and the destruction of forests. The impact of agriculture is more clearly identified than elsewhere.

Do the following activities produce greenhouse gases that cause climate change?

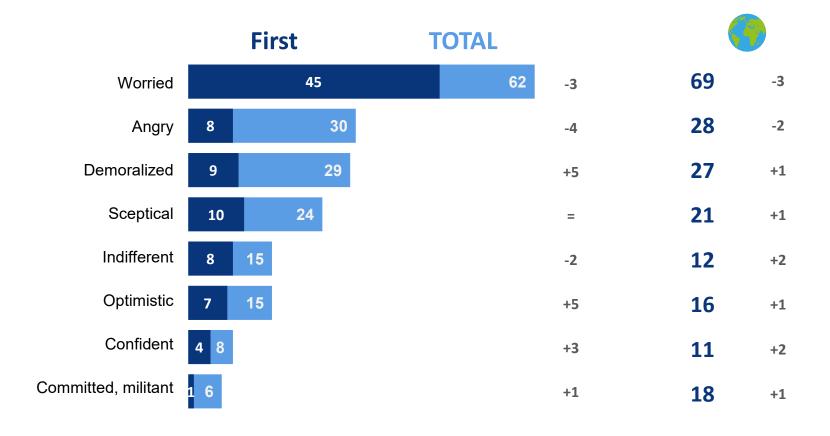






Confronted with climate change, eco-anxiety is the most common feeling. Almost 1 in 3 British people feel demoralized.

When you think about climate change, do you feel:







There has been a notable increase in the proportion of Brits who have observed the effects of climate change Have you already noticed the effects of climate change in your region?

No, not at all

No, not really

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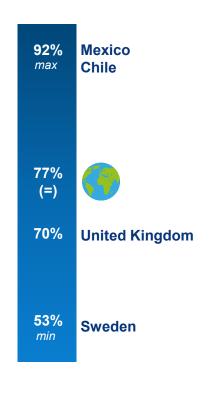
Yes, absolutely

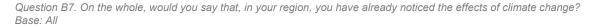
Yes, 70%
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Yes, somewhat

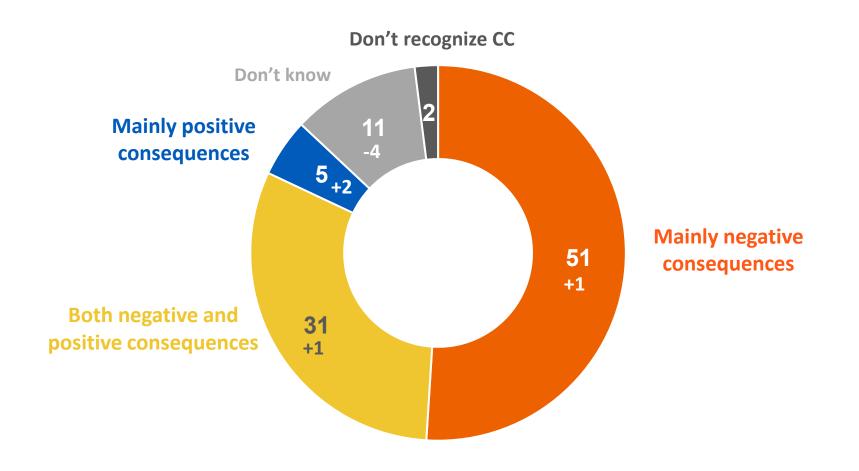


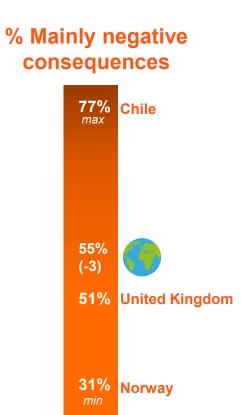




Most consider that climate change will have negative consequences where they live

In your opinion, what consequences will climate change have where you live?

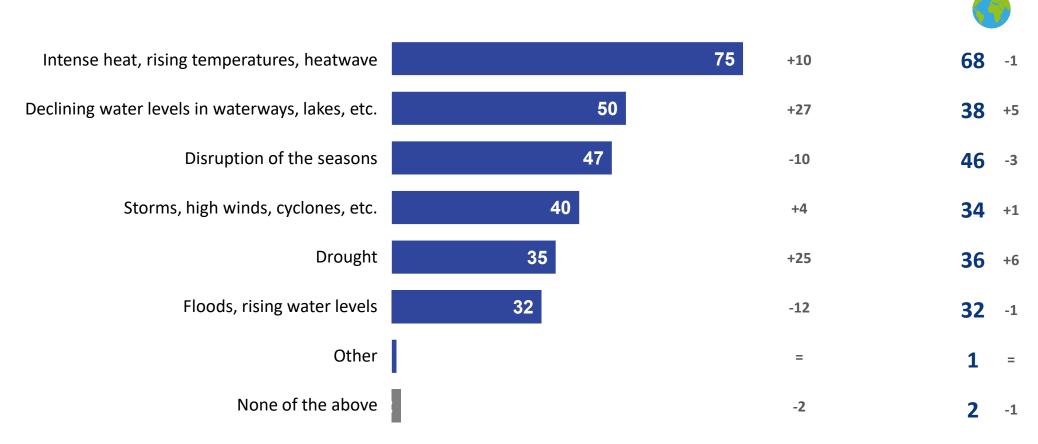






Compared to last year, the British find themselves to be more affected by intense heat and declining water levels, as well as drought

Have you already experienced the consequences of climatic disturbances in recent years?



Question B6B. Where you live, in recent years, have you been affected by the consequences of the following listed climatic disturbances?

Base: Have already noticed the effects of climate change



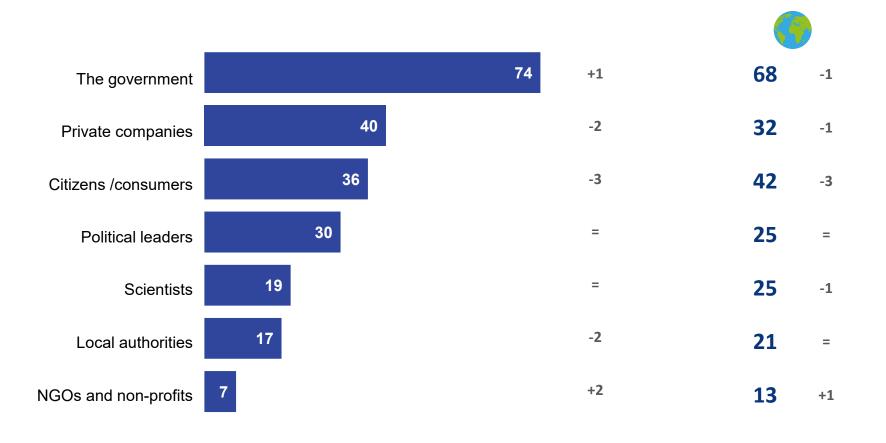






High expectations of the government persist, but companies and citizens are also expected to play their part

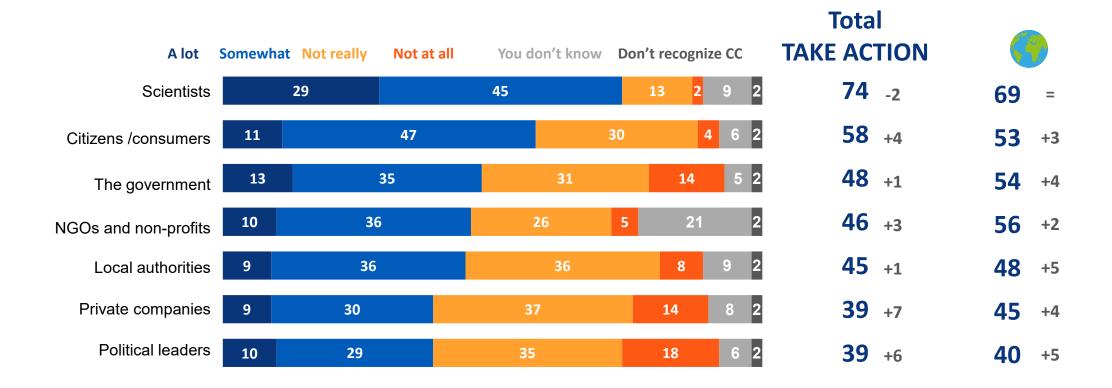
Which entities need to take action first and foremost to fight climate change in your country?







Citizens are increasingly recognised for their action, topped only by scientists, whilst fewer than one out of two citizens think their government is doing enough Do you think that they are taking action to fight climate change in your country?

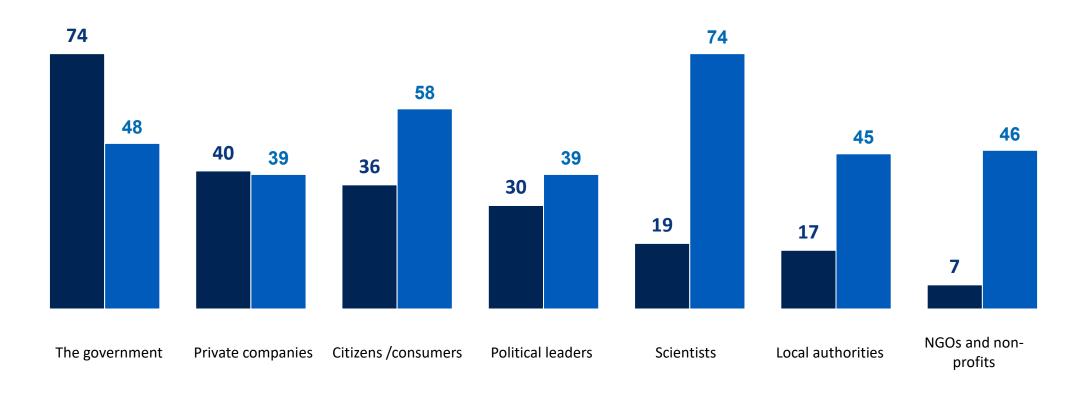






A wide gap remains between expectations of the government and its perceived actions, but this has narrowed for companies

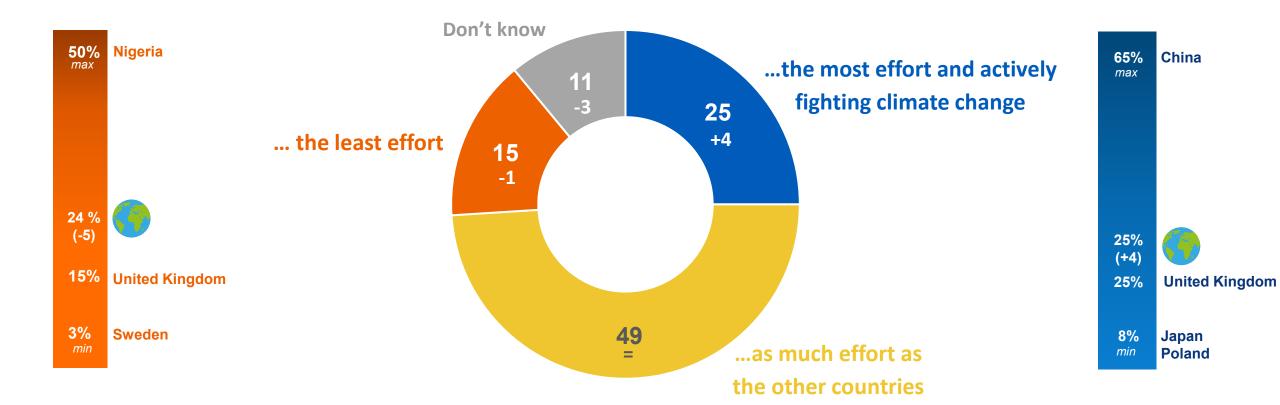
Who should take action as a priority to fight against climate change in your country?







However, citizens consider that the United Kingdom is making as much or more effort than other countries to fight climate change In the fight against climate change, your country is among those that are making:

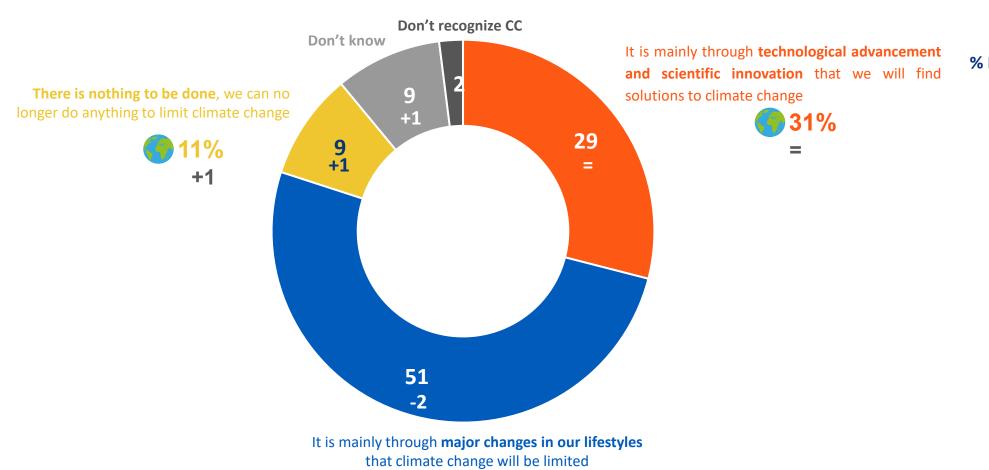


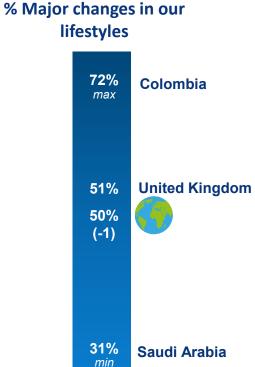




A small majority are of the opinion that a major change in our lifestyles is needed to fight climate change

Which of these three opinions is closest to your own?







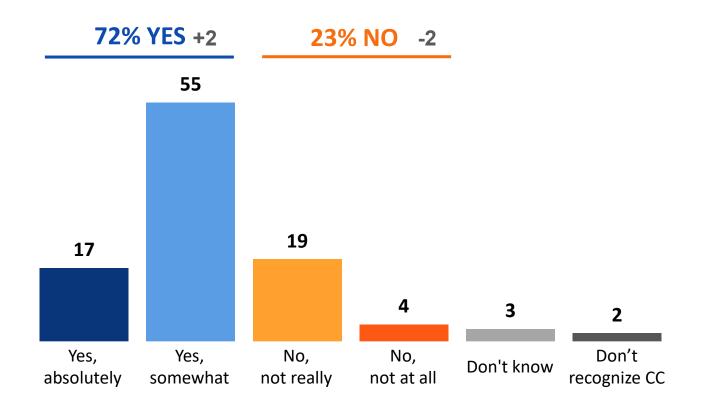


Question B8. Which of these three opinions is closest to your own? Base: All



A majority know what to do on their own level to fight climate change but fewer than 2 out of 10 are sure about it

Do you feel like you know what you can do on a personal level to fight climate change?









Sorting waste is the most common individual action done by over two thirds of Britons. Second-hand shopping is much more common in the UK vs the global average

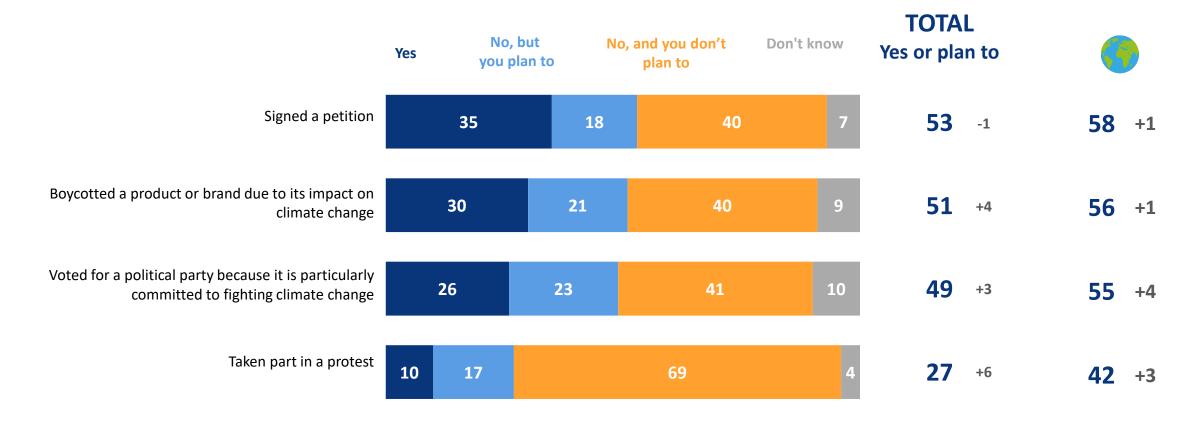
Here are some individual actions that can help fight climate change...

TOTAL You don't do it yet but You do it You don't want to Not concerned You do it from Don't recognize CC Systematically and you are considering do it or can't do it systematically or / Don't know time to time from time to time almost systematically doing it 86 -1 Sorting your waste 68 18 **74** ₋₁ Choosing products with the least possible packaging 29 45 **70** Limiting heating or air conditioning in your home **73** -1 68 41 32 Prioritizing seasonal fruits and vegetables **70** = 28 42 13 Avoiding travelling by car whenever possible 63 + 323 40 17 Buying second-hand goods rather than new 61 + 254 23 38 17 (clothes, electrical appliances, etc.) **58** +3 55 Limiting your meat consumption 24 34 12 Taking public transport **57** -1 22 35 12 **55** -2 Avoiding buying products made in distant countries 16 39 10 14 29 13 54 -1 25 18 Avoiding taking planes whenever possible Using renewable energy for heating or producing your 20 20 40 +1 14 electricity 21 39 13 **32** +3 11 Traveling by bicycle

D3. Here are some individual actions that can help fight climate change. For each of these, tell me if: Base: All



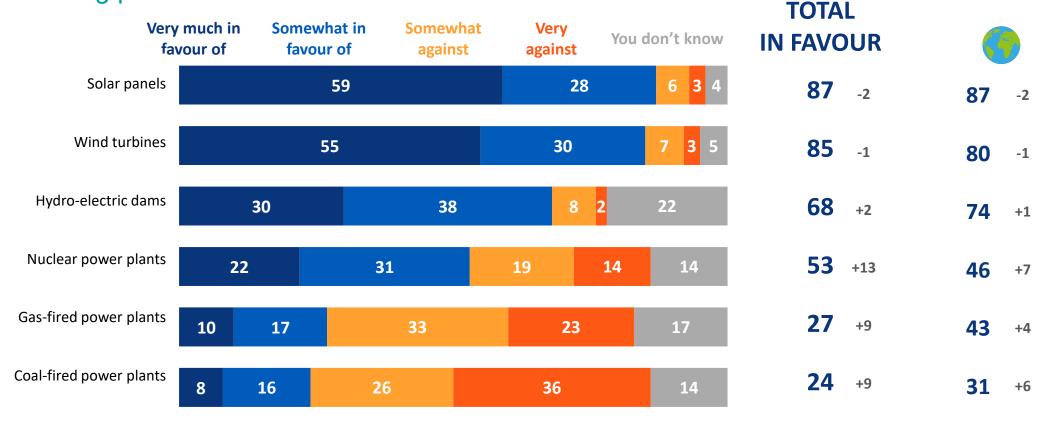
A small majority of Brits have or plan to sign a petition or boycott a product in order to fight climate change, however they remain less likely to do this than other countries When it comes to fighting climate change, have you personally ever:





The British are clearly very favorable to green energies

To produce the electricity that you will need in the future in your country, are you in favour of or against each of the following production methods?

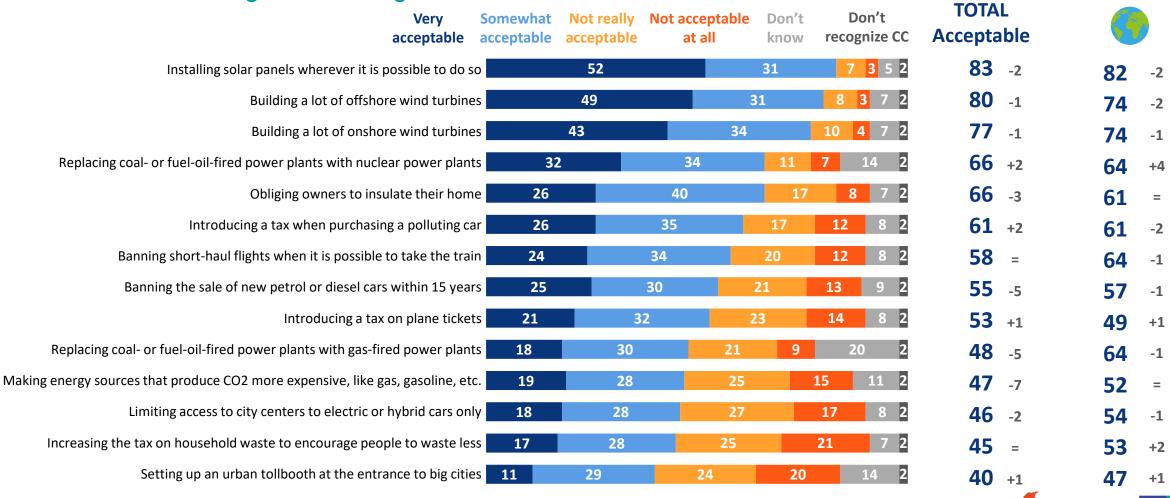






The acceptability of measures to reduce greenhouse gas emissions differs greatly, making CO2 producing energy sources more expensive is far less popular now vs last year

Measures to reduce greenhouse gas emissions

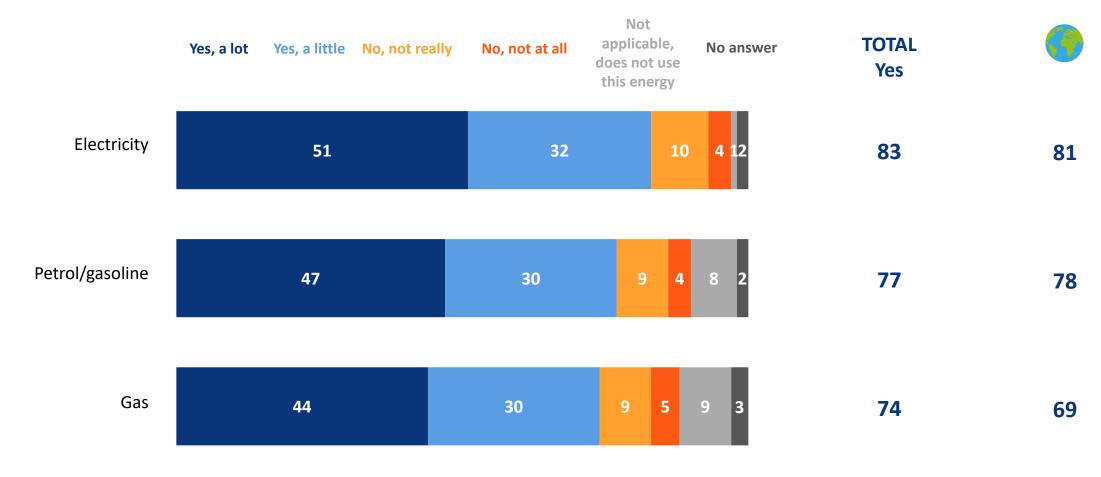


Question D5. Here are some measures that could be adopted in your country to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. For each one, tell me whether it seems to you to be: Base: All



Most Britons have been affected by rising energy costs

In recent months, in your household, have you been affected by rising prices for each of the following energy sources?

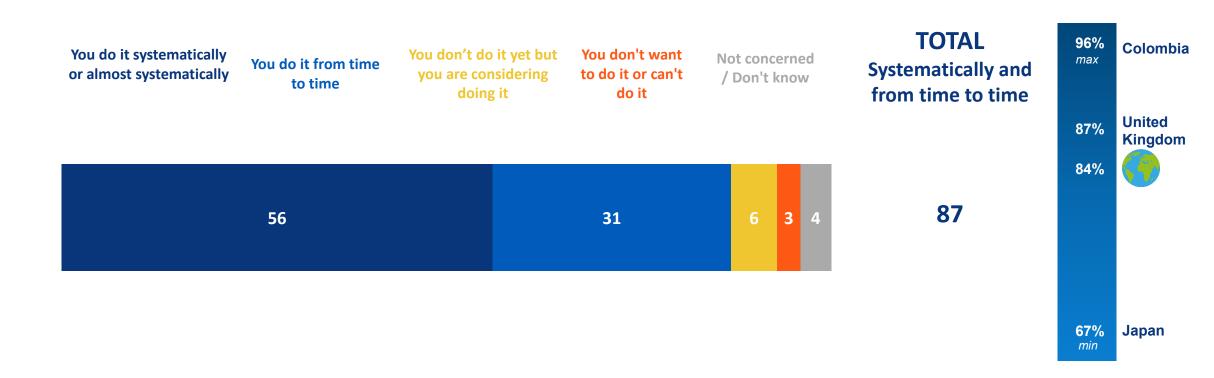






Almost 9 in 10 are making some effort to control their energy consumption at home

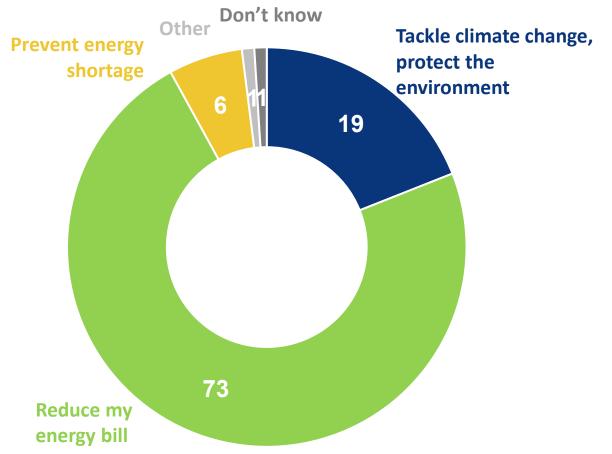
Are you making effort to control energy consumption in your home?

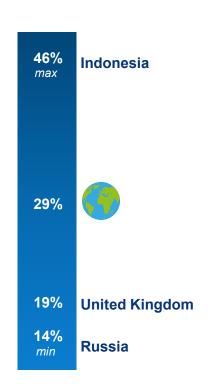




Motivation for reducing energy consumption is primarily driven by cost, however 1 in 5 cite protecting the environment

What is the main reason for you making efforts or planning to make efforts to control energy consumption in your home?



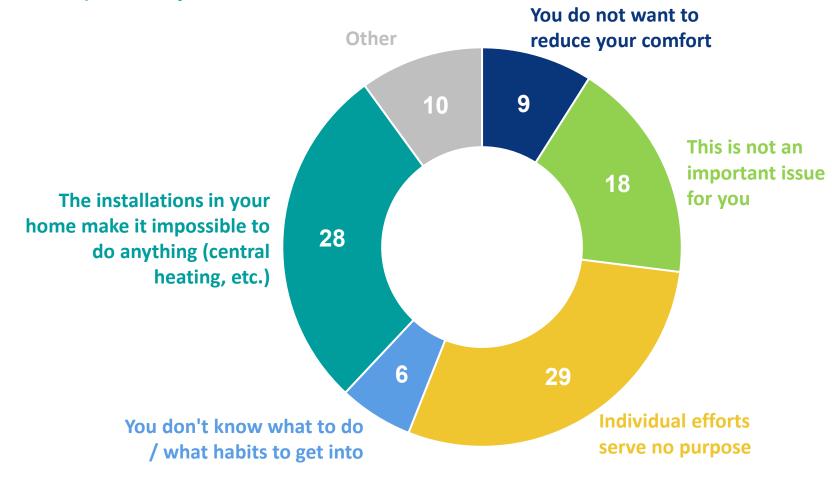






Almost half of those who are not controlling their energy consumption say that it is not important to them or serves no purpose

What is the main reason for you not making efforts or being unable to make efforts to control energy consumption in your home?







Annexes – détail des questions sur le climato-scepticisme

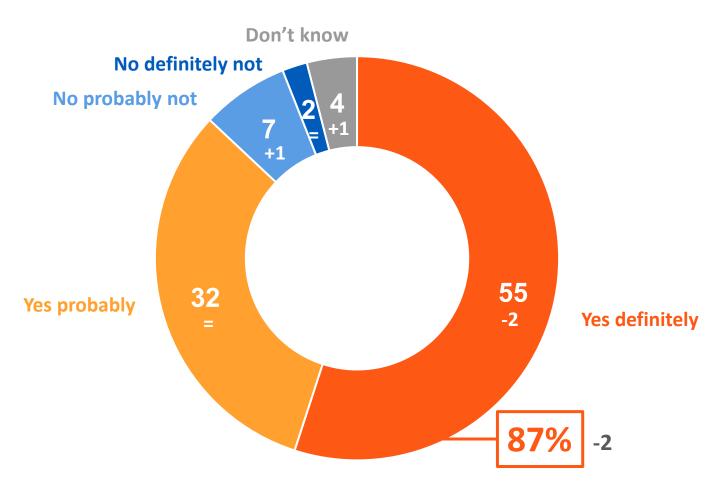


Climate skepticism – detailed results

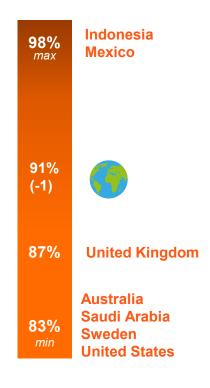


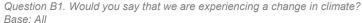
Opinion on the reality of climate change is unanimous

Are we experiencing a change in climate?



% change in climate

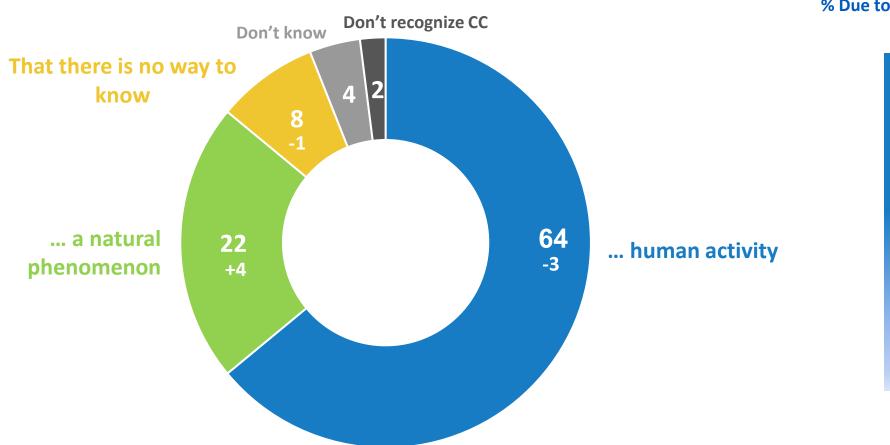






Most recognize that climate change is linked to human activity

You would say that climate change is due to...



% Due to human activity







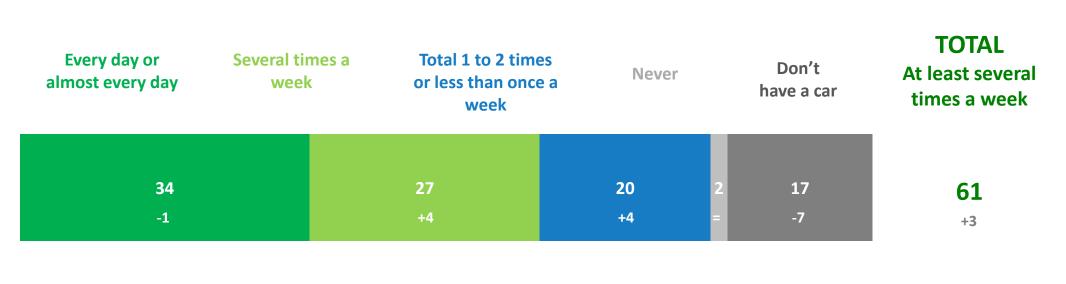
Question B3. And concerning this climate change that we hear about, would you say: Base: All

Lifestyle questions



The majority of Britons use their car at least several times a week

On average, how often do you use your car (outside of the Covid-19 pandemic)?



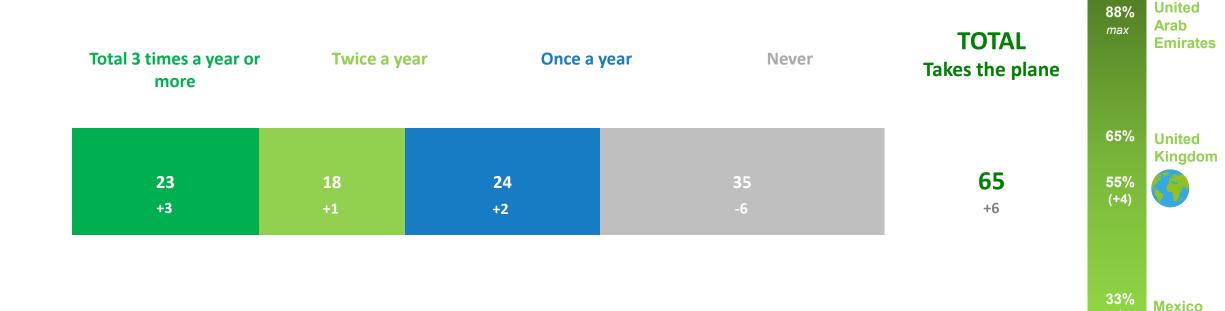






Almost two thirds travel by plane at least once per year

On average, how often do you take a plane, whether for professional or personal reasons (outside of the Covid-19 pandemic)?







2 in 5 eat meat on a daily basis

On average, how often do you eat meat or meals based on meat?



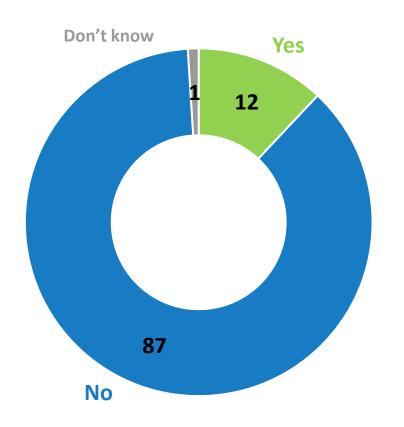


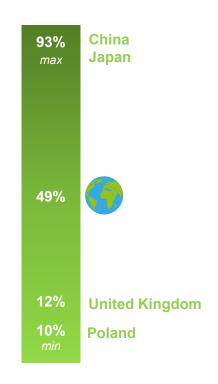




Air conditioning equipment is owned by just 12% of Britons

Do you have air conditioning in your home?







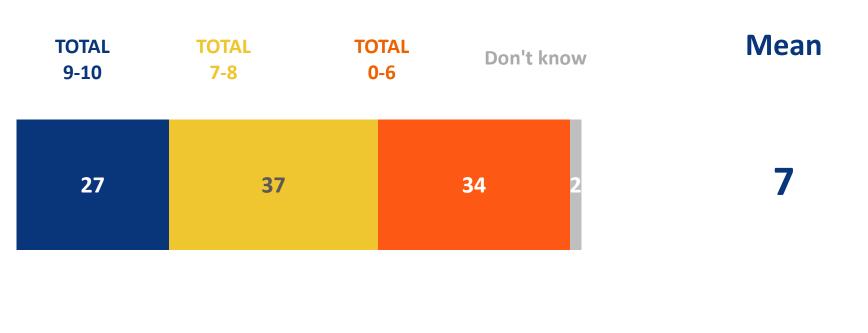


Focus: concern about war in Ukraine



Concern about the war in Ukraine is in line with the global average

To what extent are you concerned about the war in Ukraine?











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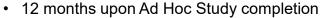
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SURVEY OVERVIEW

CAWI survey – Online panel



SAMPLE

- Target : Male/female 16-75
- **Selection of the respondent**: participant selection using a quota.
- Sample representativeness (depending on countries): gender, age, socialeconomic category of individual/head of household, region/marketsize



DATA COLLECTION

- Fieldwork dates: 30th of August 26th of September 2022
- **Sample achieved : 24 001 interviews**
- Data collection : on line
- Loyalty program with points- based award system for panelists
- Response quality control methods: monitoring of participants' response behaviour (identification of responses that are too quick or careless, e.g. ticked in a straight or zigzag line)
- Checking of IP and consistency of demographic data



DATA PROCESSING

- Weighted sample
- Method used: Rim Weighting Method
- Weighting criteria (depending on countries): gender, age, social-economic category or status of individual/head of household, region/marketsize.



RELIABILITY OF RESULTS: Self completion online surveys IIS

To ensure the overall reliability of a survey, all possible error components must be taken into account. That is why lpsos imposes strict controls and procedures at each stage of the survey process.

UPSTREAM OF THE DATA COLLECTION

- **Sample :** structure and representativeness
- Questionnaire: the questionnaire is worded by following an editing process with 12 compulsory standards. It is proofread and approved at a senior level and then sent to the client for final validation. The programming (or questionnaire script) is tested by at least 2 people and validated.
- Data collection: the interviewers are trained in survey techniques through a dedicated training module prior to any participation in a survey. In addition, they receive or attend a detailed briefing at the start of each survey.

DURING THE DATA COLLECTION

Sampling: Ipsos imposes very strict operating rules for its selection frame in order to maximize the random nature of the sample selection: random selection from telephone listings, quota method, etc. Fieldwork monitoring: collection is monitored and checked (exclusive link, IP validation, panelists' behavior monitoring penetration, interview length, consistency of responses, participation rate, number of reminders, etc.)

DOWNSTREAM OF THE DATA COLLECTION

- The results are analyzed in accordance with the statistical analysis methods (confidence interval versus sample size, significance tests). The first results are systematically checked against the raw results from the data collection. The consistency of results is also checked (particularly the results observed versus comparison sources in our possession).
- In cases where sample weighting is used (margin calibration method), this is checked by the processing teams (DP) and then validated by the survey teams.



SURVEY OVERVIEW

Organization (CAWI survey - Online panel)



ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT OR COORDINATED BY IPSOS TEAMS IN FRANCE

- Design and methodology
- Conception and design of questionnaire/ validation of scripting
- Coordination and validation of translation
- Coordination of data collection
- Data processing
- Validation of the statistical analyses
- Creation of survey report
- Results presentation design
- Formatting of results
- Oral presentation
- Analyses and summary



ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT BY IPSOS EXPERT LOCAL TEAMS

- Scripting
- Sampling (IIS panel)
- Emailing



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Translation





Questionnaire





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