



Special Eurobarometer 513

Climate Change

SWEDEN March-April 2021

1. COUNTRY HIGHLIGHTS

Respondents in Sweden are the most likely in any EU Member State to say climate change is the single most serious problem facing the world (43%, well above the EU average of 18%). As in 2019, climate change is ranked first, far ahead of any other problem. In addition, close to eight in ten respondents (79%, similar to the EU average of 78%) believe that climate change is a very serious problem, down five percentage points since 2019.

Just over three quarters of respondents in Sweden (76%, well above the EU average of 63%) believe that national governments are responsible for tackling climate change, ahead of the European Union (69%, compared with the EU average of 57%). More than half of respondents (56%, largely above the EU average of 41%) say they are personally responsible for tackling climate change. In fact, close to three quarters of respondents (74%, above the EU average of 64%) have taken action to fight climate change in the past six months, and this proportion rises to almost all respondents (99% vs the EU average of 96%) when asked to choose from a list of 15 possible actions to fight climate change.

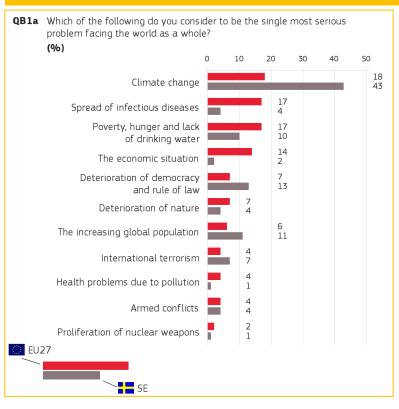
Respondents in Sweden are generally more likely than the EU average to have taken specific climate actions, in particular trying to reduce their consumption of disposable items whenever possible (80% vs the EU average of 59%) and considering the carbon footprint of their food purchases and sometimes adapting their shopping accordingly (34% vs the EU average of 16%).

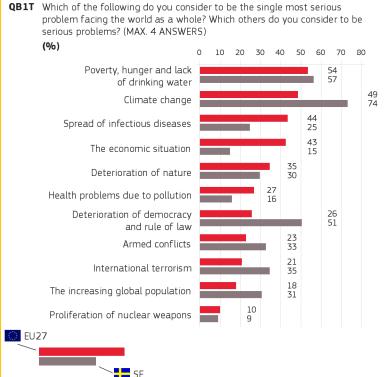
More than eight in ten respondents in Sweden agree that tackling climate change and environmental issues should be a priority to improve public health (87%, equal to the EU average) and that the cost of damage due to climate change is much higher than the investment needed for a green transition (82%, above the EU average of 74%).

A large proportion of respondents in Sweden think it is important that both their national government (89% vs the EU average of 88%) and the European Union (90% vs the EU average of 87%) set ambitious targets to increase the amount of renewable energy used by 2030.

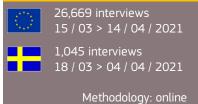
Nine in ten respondents in Sweden (90%, equal to the EU average) agree that the EU economy should be climate-neutral by 2050. Finally, respondents in Sweden are much more likely than the EU average (86%, above the EU average of 75%) to think that the money from the economic recovery plan should mainly be invested in the new green economy.

2. EUROPEAN PERCEPTIONS OF CLIMATE CHANGE 1/2









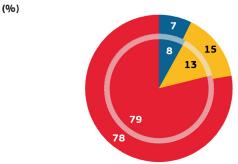
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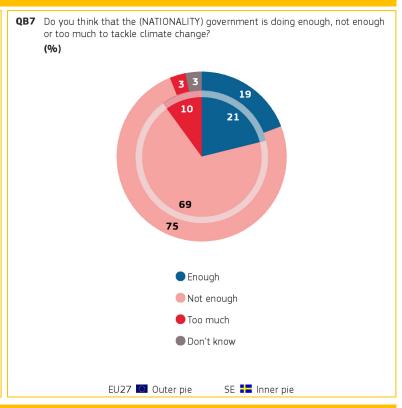
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QB2 And how serious a problem do you think climate change is at this moment? Please use a scale from 1 to 10, with '1' meaning it is "not at all a serious problem" and '10' meaning it is "an extremely serious problem".

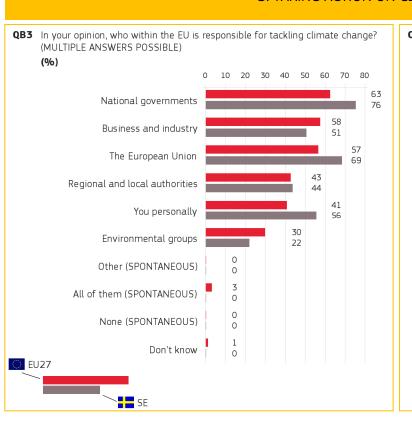


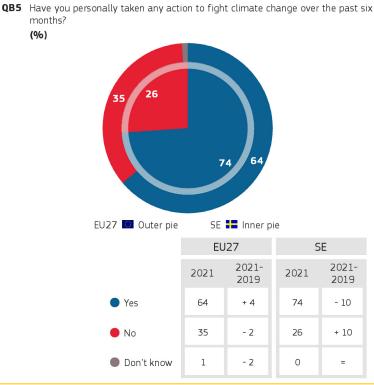
EU27 Outer pie SE Inner pie

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	2021	2021- 2019	2021	2021- 2019
Total 'Not a serious problem' (1-4)	7	+ 1	8	+ 4
O Total 'A fairly serious problem' (5-6)	15	+ 1	13	+ 1
Total 'A very serious problem' (7-10)	78	- 1	79	- 5
Don't know	0	- 1	0	=



3. TAKING ACTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE 1/2







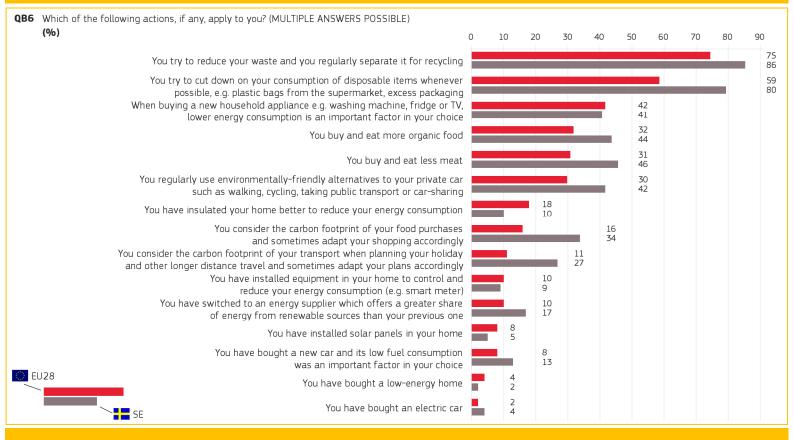
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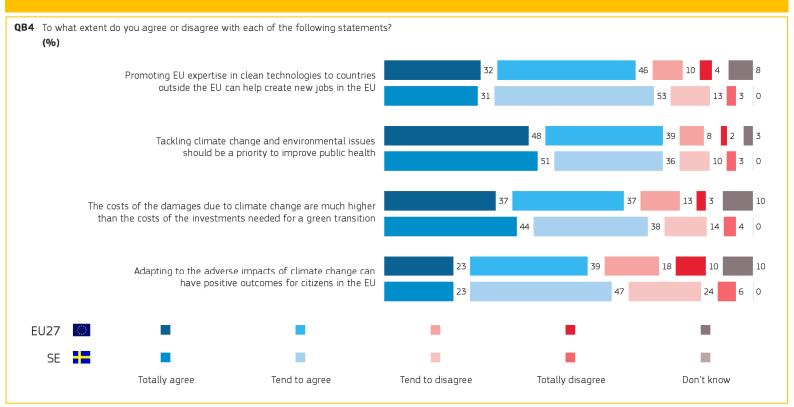
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4. ATTITUDES TO FIGHTING CLIMATE CHANGE







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5. LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

