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Methodology: face-to-face	Estonia	March 2017
	1. COUNTRY HIGHLIGHTS	

Around half of respondents in Estonia see climate change as a 'very serious' problem (49%), considerably below the EU average (74%) but a 15 percentage point increase since the previous survey in 2015. Roughly one in ten see it as the most serious problem facing the world (9%, EU average 12%).

Around one-third say they have taken personal action to fight climate change in the past six months (34%, EU average 49%). However, when given specific examples this rises to 92% (EU average 90%), suggesting that many do not associate certain actions with tackling climate change.

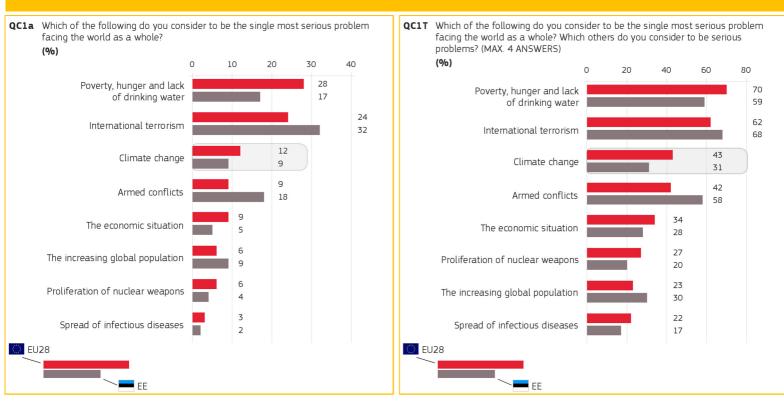
• The actions most frequently undertaken are trying to reduce waste and regularly separating it for recycling (61%, EU average 71%) and cutting down on consumption of disposable items whenever possible (57%, EU average 56%).

• Respondents in Estonia are significantly more likely than the EU average to have better insulated their home to reduce energy consumption (34%, EU average 18%).

• They are also more likely than the EU average to consider fuel consumption when buying a new car (14%, EU average 9%) and regularly use environmentally-friendly alternatives to their private car (30%, EU average 26%).

Those surveyed in Estonia are less likely than the EU average to agree that fighting climate change and using energy more efficiently can boost the economy and jobs in the EU (58%, EU average 79%) or that reducing fossil fuel imports from outside the EU can benefit the EU economically (38%, EU average 65%).

Over eight in ten believe it is important for their government to set targets to increase the amount of renewable energy used by 2030 (85%, EU average 89%) and provide support for improving energy efficiency by 2030 (83%, EU average 88%).



2. EUROPEAN PERCEPTIONS OF CLIMATE CHANGE 1/2

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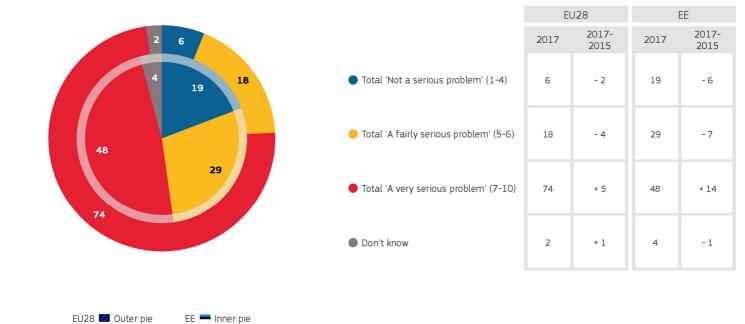
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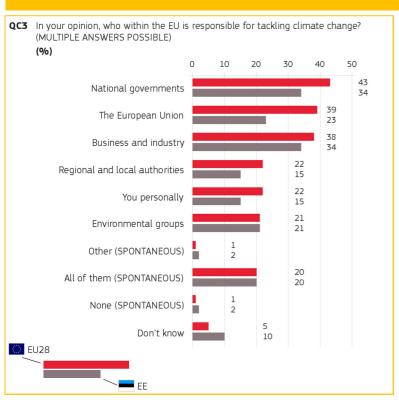


3. EUROPEAN PERCEPTIONS OF CLIMATE CHANGE 2/2

QC2 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".

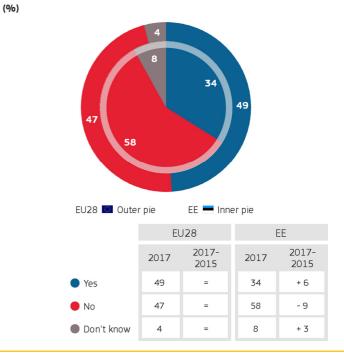






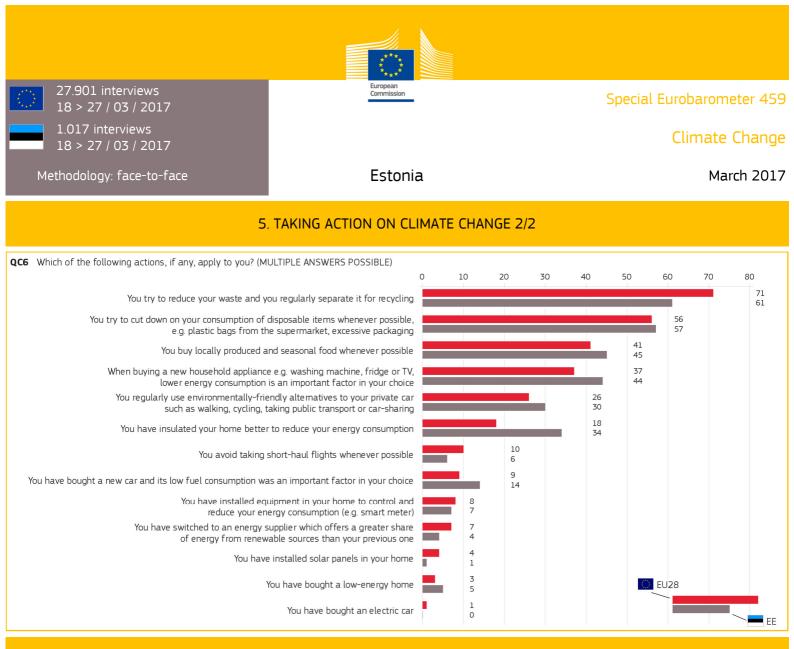
4. TAKING ACTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE 1/2

QC5 Have you personally taken any action to fight climate change over the past six months?



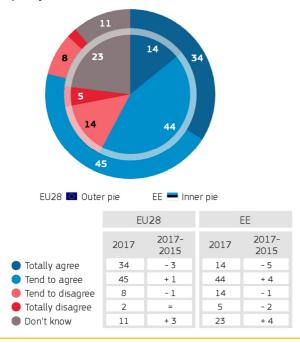
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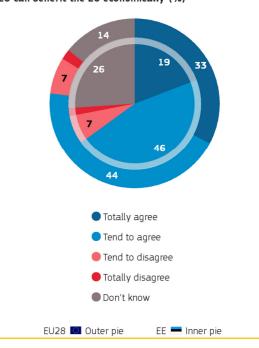


6. ATTITUDES TO FIGHTING CLIMATE CHANGE

QC4.1 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements? Fighting climate change and using energy more efficiently can boost the economy and jobs in the EU (%)



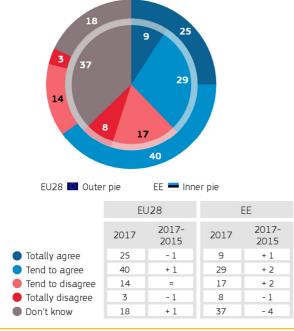
QC4.2 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements? Promoting EU expertise in new clean technologies to countries outside the EU can benefit the EU economically (%)

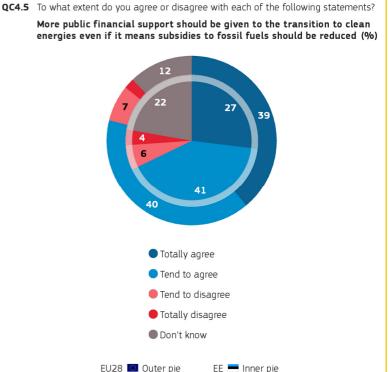


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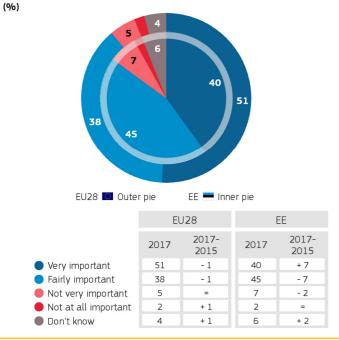




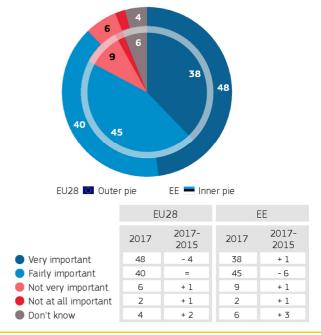


8. LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

QC7 How important do you think it is that the (NATIONALITY) government sets targets to increase the amount of renewable energy used, such as wind or solar power, by 2030?



QC8 How important do you think it is that the (NATIONALITY) government provides support for improving energy efficiency by 2030 (e.g. by encouraging people to insulate their home or buy electric cars)?
(%)



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