



Climate Change

The Netherlands

March 2017

1. COUNTRY HIGHLIGHTS

Nearly eight in ten respondents in the Netherlands see climate change as a 'very serious' problem (78%, EU average 74%), a 20 percentage point increase since the previous survey in 2015, the biggest rise in all Member States. Over a quarter see climate change as the most serious problem facing the world (27%, EU average 12%), an 11 pp rise from 2015.

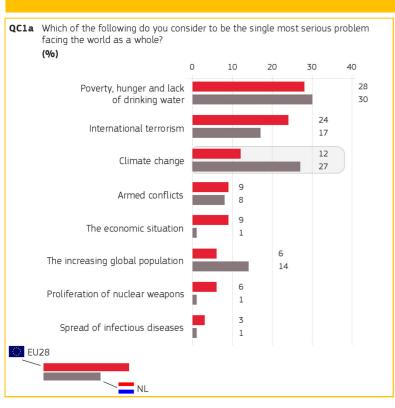
Around six in ten (59%, EU average 49%) say they have personally taken action to fight climate change in the past six months. Yet when provided with specific examples this rises to virtually all respondents (99%), suggesting that many do not associate certain actions with tackling climate change.

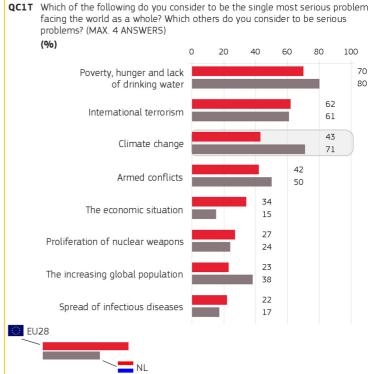
- Over eight in ten of those surveyed try to reduce waste and regularly separate it for recycling (84%, EU average 71%), while over three-quarters try to cut down on consumption of disposable items whenever possible (76%, EU average 56%).
- More than half (56%) regularly use environmentally-friendly alternatives to their private car, double the EU average (26%), while lower energy consumption is an important factor for nearly two-thirds when buying a new household appliance (65%, EU average 37%).

Almost all respondents in the Netherlands think it is important for their government to set targets to increase the amount of renewable energy used by 2030 (97%, EU average 89%) and provide support for improving energy efficiency by 2030 (95%, EU average 88%).

Over eight in ten agree that fighting climate change and using energy more efficiently can boost the EU economy and jobs (82%, EU average 79%), while over nine in ten agree that promoting EU expertise in new clean technologies in third countries can benefit the EU economically (91%, EU average 77%).

2. EUROPEAN PERCEPTIONS OF CLIMATE CHANGE 1/2









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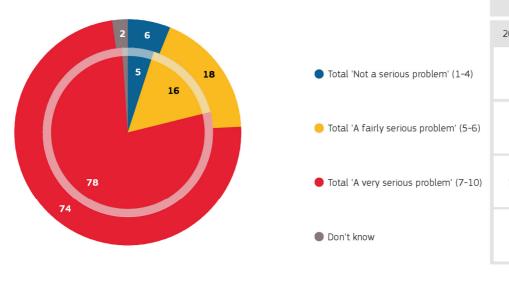
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3. EUROPEAN PERCEPTIONS OF CLIMATE CHANGE 2/2

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".

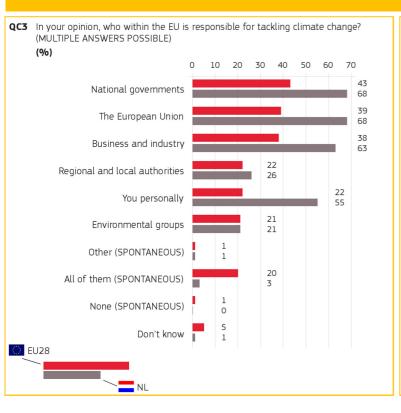
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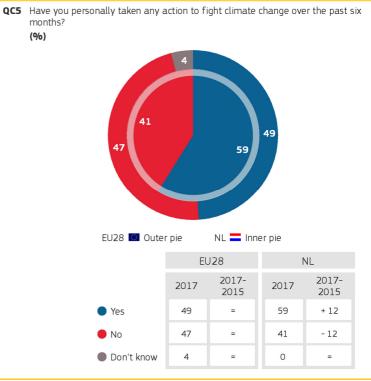


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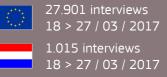
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4. TAKING ACTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE 1/2









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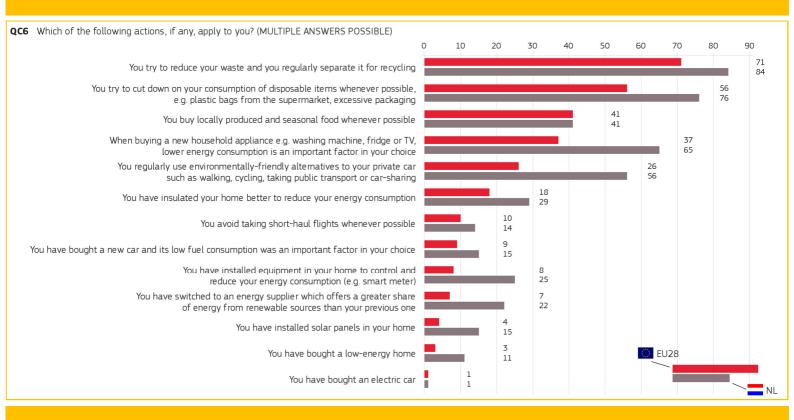
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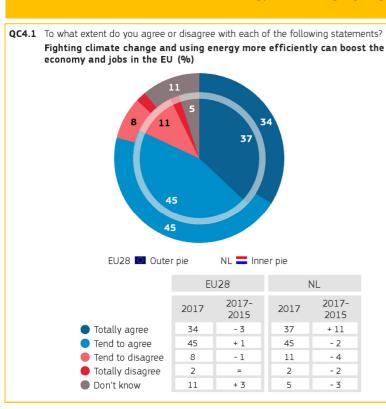
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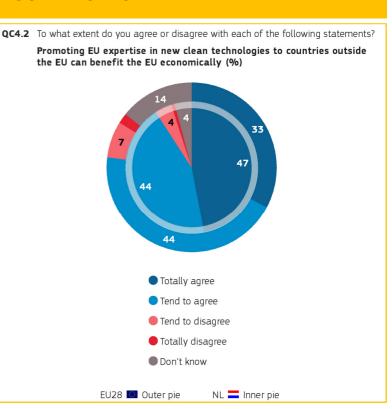
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5. TAKING ACTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE 2/2



6. ATTITUDES TO FIGHTING CLIMATE CHANGE







Methodology: face-to-face

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Totally disagree Don't know

Tend to disagree

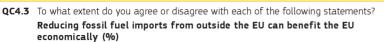


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7. ATTITUDES TOWARDS REDUCING FOSSIL FUEL IMPORTS AND TRANSITION TO CLEAN ENERGIES





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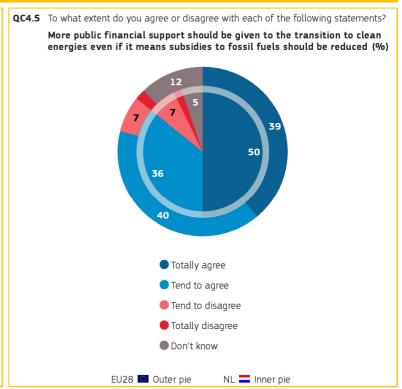
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8. LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

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?

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(%)

