



Methodology: face-to-face



Climate Change

United Kingdom

March 2017

1. COUNTRY HIGHLIGHTS

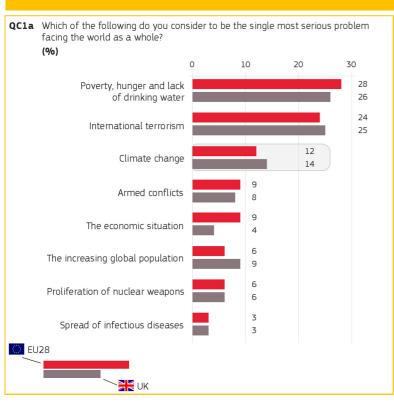
Nearly two-thirds of respondents in the UK consider climate change to be a 'very serious' problem (64%, EU average 74%), an increase of 11 percentage points since the previous survey in 2015. Around one in seven see it as the single most serious problem facing the world (14%, EU average 12%).

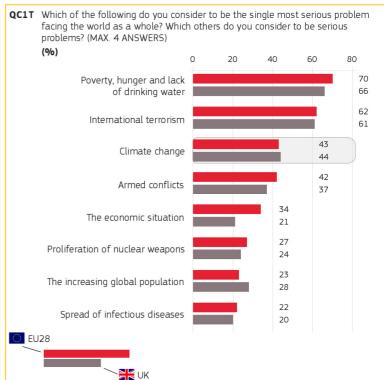
Only four in ten say they have taken personal action to fight climate change (40%, EU average 49%), yet when given specific examples this rises to 88%, suggesting that many act but do not associate certain actions with tackling climate change.

- The most commonly cited action is trying to reduce waste and regularly separating it for recycling (74%, EU average 71%). Half also try to reduce consumption of disposable items whenever possible (50%, EU average 56%).
- Respondents are more likely than the EU average to have better insulated their home in order to reduce their energy consumption (27%, EU average 18%), although this proportion has decreased by 14 pp since 2015.

Those surveyed in the UK are less likely than the EU average to agree that fighting climate change and using energy more efficiently can boost the EU economy and jobs (73%, EU average 79%) or that reducing fossil fuel imports from third countries can benefit the EU economically (58%, EU average 65%). These shares have fallen since 2015, by 7 pp and 9 pp respectively.

2. EUROPEAN PERCEPTIONS OF CLIMATE CHANGE 1/2









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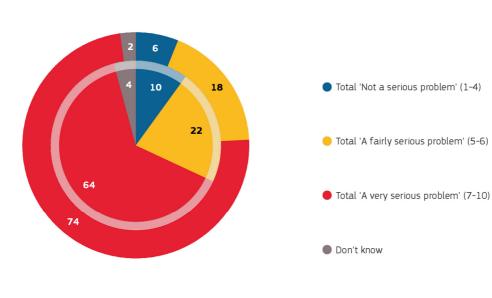
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3. EUROPEAN PERCEPTIONS OF CLIMATE CHANGE 2/2

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".

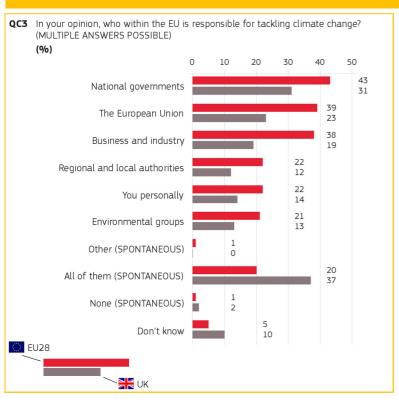
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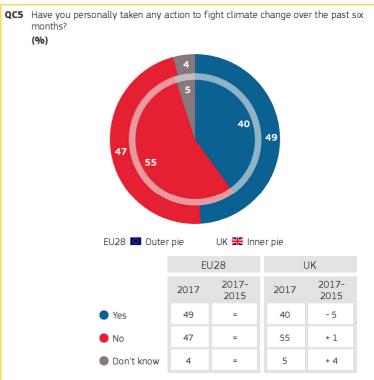




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4. TAKING ACTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE 1/2









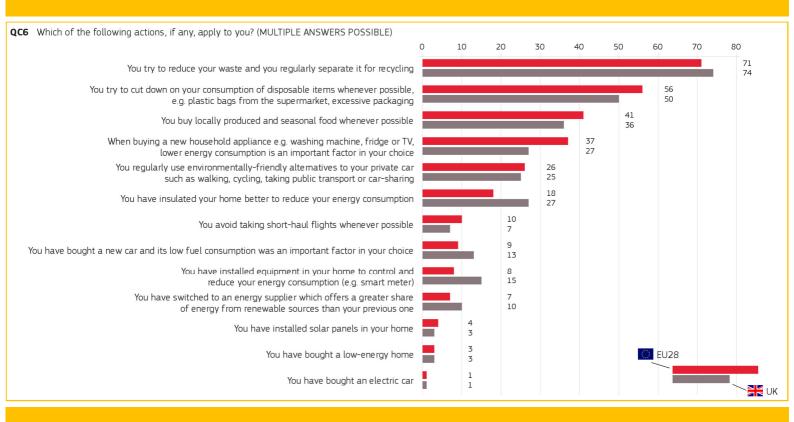
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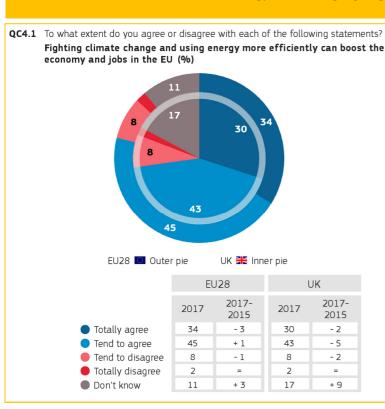
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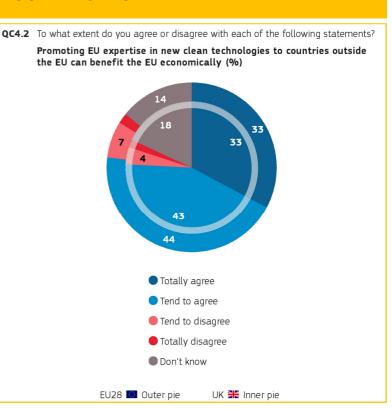
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5. TAKING ACTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE 2/2



6. ATTITUDES TO FIGHTING CLIMATE CHANGE









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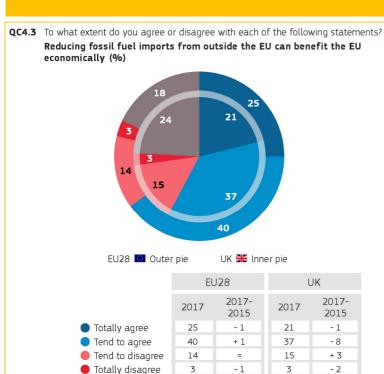
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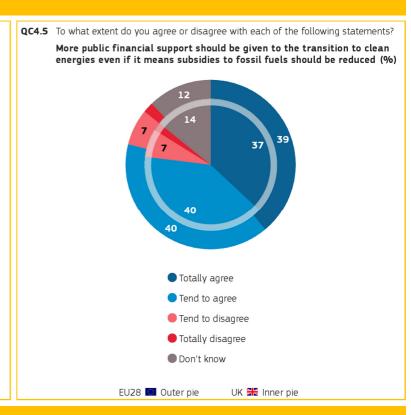
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7. ATTITUDES TOWARDS REDUCING FOSSIL FUEL IMPORTS AND TRANSITION TO CLEAN ENERGIES





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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