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# Europeans' views on the international situation and the upcoming European elections

June 2024

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# RESEARCH METHODOLOGY



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This survey has been conducted online through CAWI method (Computer Assisted Web Interview) on a sample representative of the European Union 18+ population.



The total sample size is 5.034 complete interviews, distributed proportionally to the population of the 27 EU countries with a slight correction which allows to analyze the data on the pan-European level and 5 different areas: Germany, France, Eastern Europe, Northern Europe, Southern Europe. For each country proportional quotas were set for age and gender. Quotas were calculated regarding the most recent parameters provided by Eurostat.



Interviews were collected between the 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> of May 2024.



The report shows breakdowns by European political groups parties' voters and the following geographical areas:



1) Germany

2) France



3) Eastern Countries (Baltic states, Poland, Czech R., Slovakia, Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria, Croatia, Slovenia)



4) Northern Countries (Sweden, Denmark, Finland, Belgium, Netherlands, Lux., Ireland, Austria)



5) Southern Countries (Spain, Italy, Portugal, Greece, Malta, Cyprus)



+ separate data for Italy and Spain

For European political groups parties' voters, in each country, people were interviewed on voting intentions on a national party basis and the results were recoded European political groups

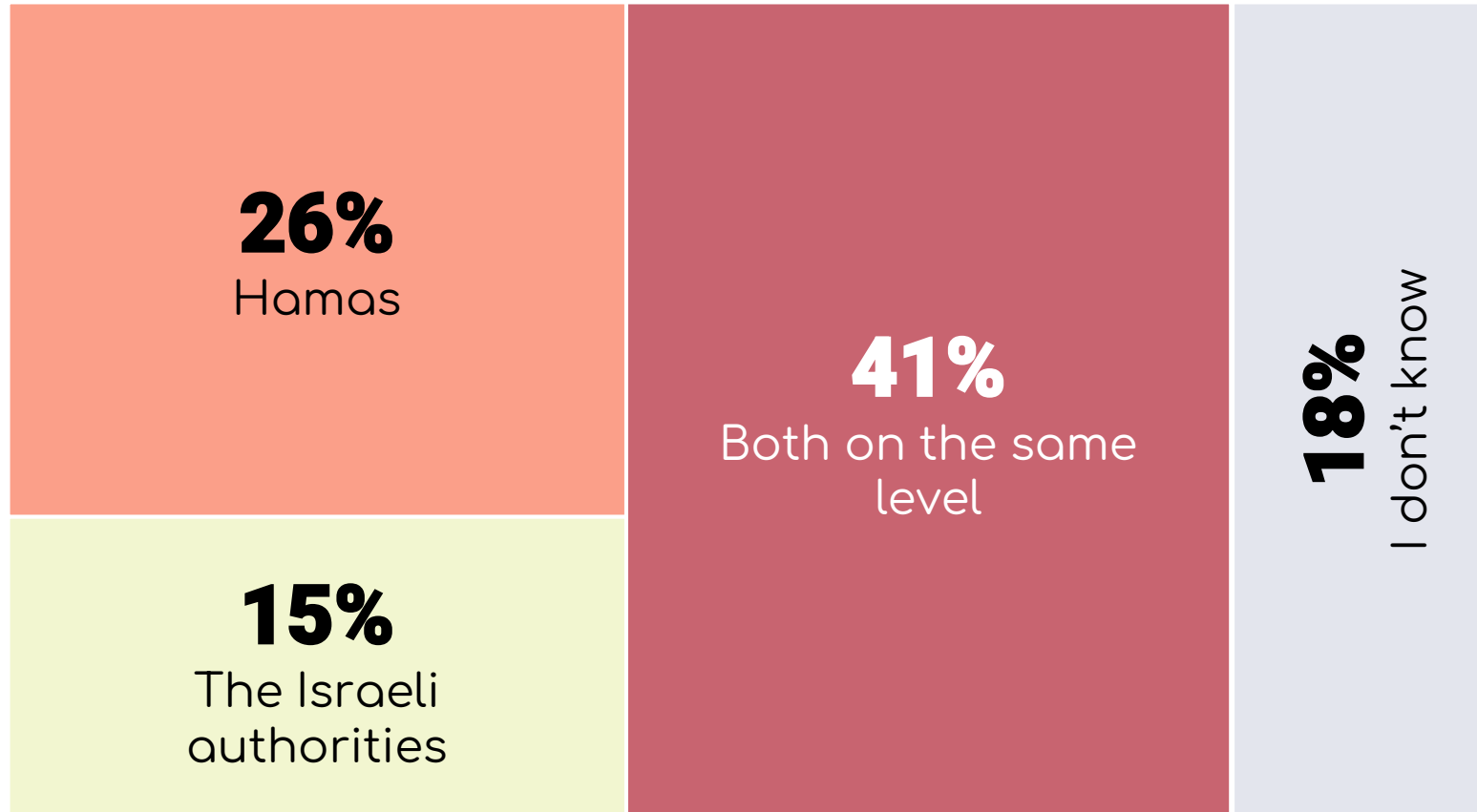
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# THE MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT



# The responsibilities in the Middle East conflict








All respondents: 5.034





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Base	5.034	958	736	1.450	682	513	1.154	736
Hamas	<b>26%</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>28%</b>	<b>20%</b>
The Israeli authorities	<b>15%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>19%</b>
Both on the same level	<b>41%</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>39%</b>
I don't know	<b>18%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>21%</b>

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	<b>TOTAL</b>	 EPP	 S&D	 RE	 ID	 ECR	 Greens	 GUE/NGL	 Not affiliated	 No voting intention
Base	5.034	776	729	333	475	287	179	220	631	656
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Both on the same level	<b>41%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>39%</b>
I don't know	<b>18%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>42%</b>

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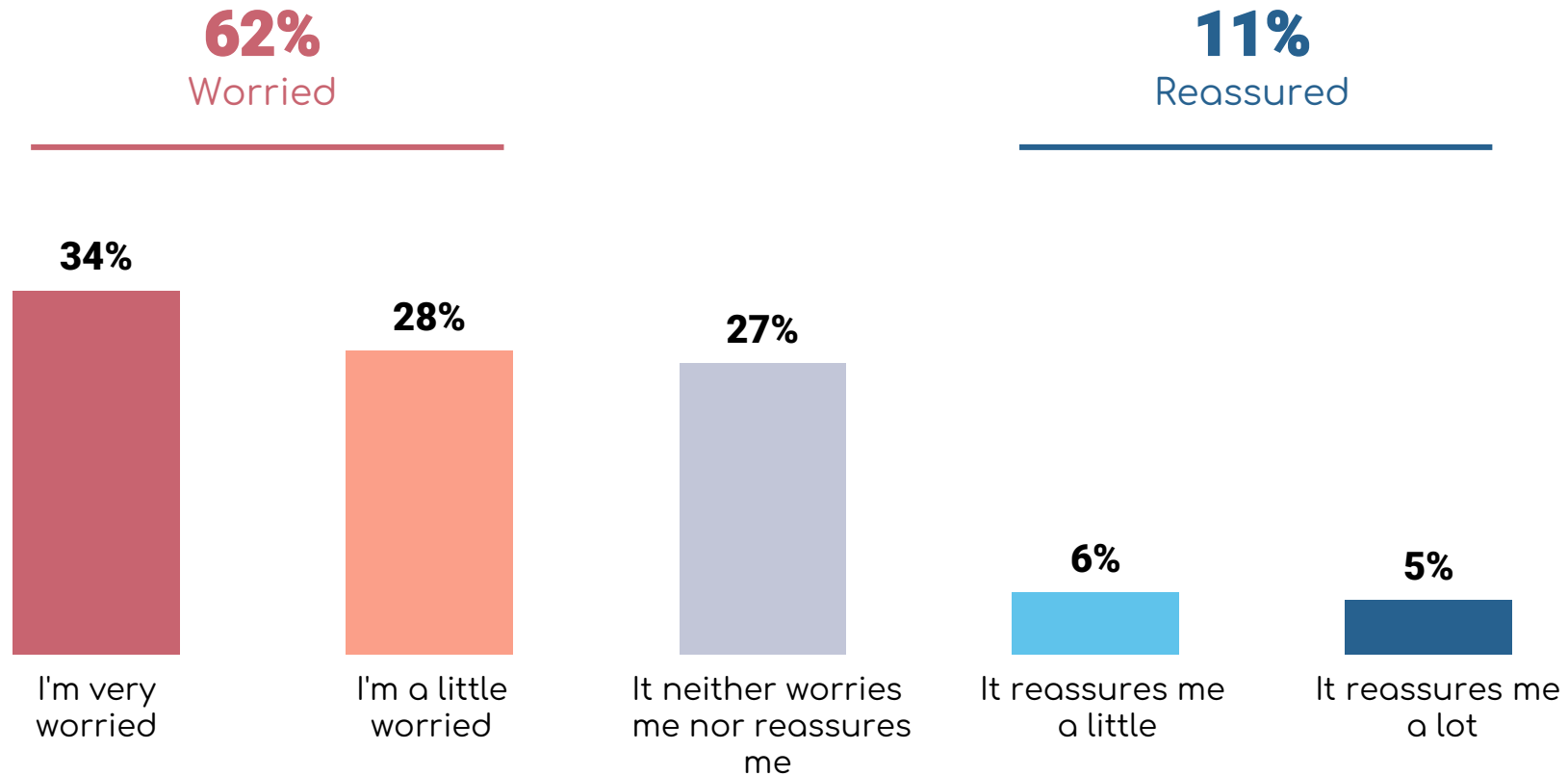
# **THE EUROPEAN ELECTIONS & UPCOMING EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT**





# The feelings related to the rise of far-right parties in Europe

All respondents: 5.034





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	Base	TOTAL	Germany	France	Southern Europe*	Italy	Spain	CEE	Northern Europe
	5.034	958	736	1.450	682	513	1.154	736	
<b>Total Worried</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>56%</b>	<b>64%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>57%</b>	<b>63%</b>	
I'm very worried	34%	42%	33%	40%	46%	32%	23%	30%	
I'm a little worried	28%	25%	23%	25%	19%	26%	35%	33%	
<b>It neither worries me nor reassures me</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>28%</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>28%</b>	<b>34%</b>	<b>27%</b>	
<b>Total Reassured</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>10%</b>	
It reassures me a little	6%	7%	7%	6%	4%	8%	4%	6%	
It reassures me a lot	5%	6%	9%	5%	5%	6%	5%	5%	

\*Including Italy and Spain



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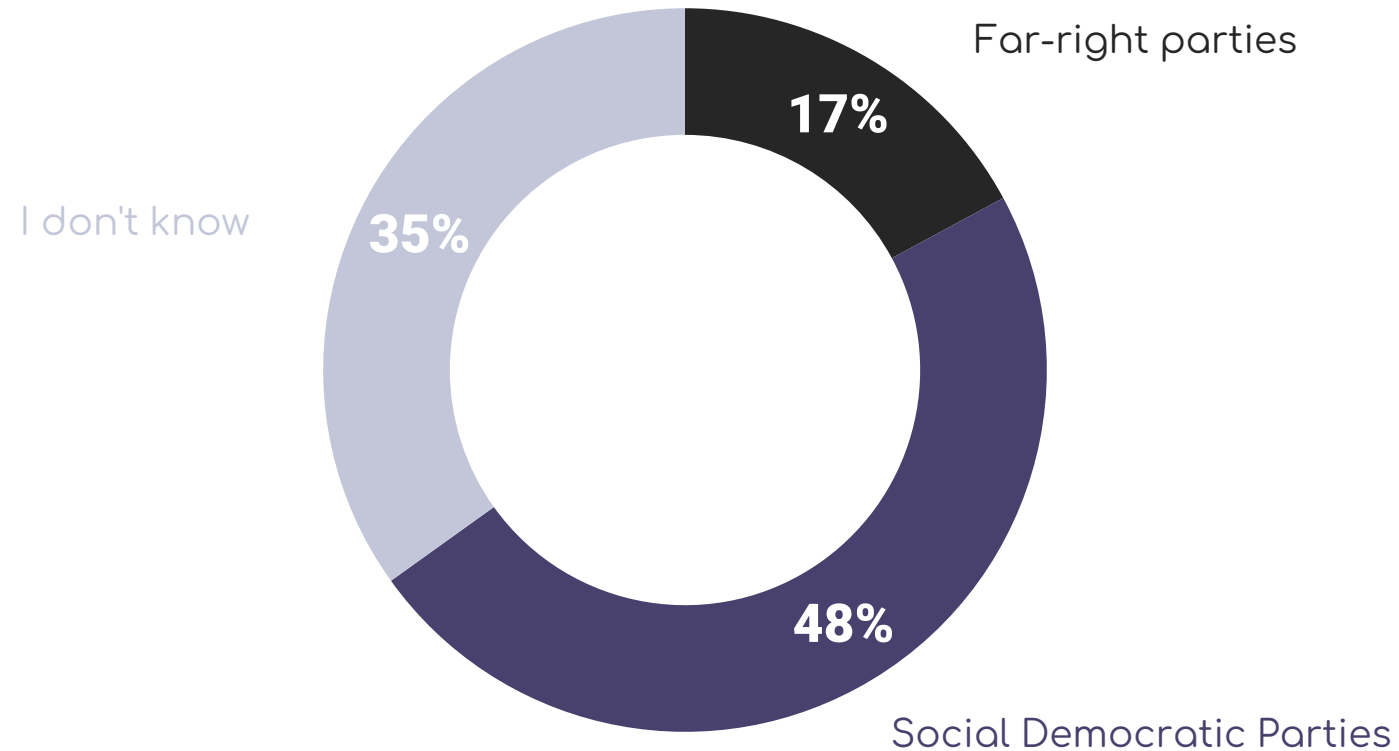
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	Base	776	729	333	475	287	179	220	631	656
<b>Total Worried</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>85%</b>	<b>79%</b>	<b>64%</b>	<b>48%</b>
I'm very worried	34%	32%	58%	40%	10%	13%	58%	58%	36%	23%
I'm a little worried	28%	36%	26%	34%	17%	25%	27%	21%	28%	25%
<b>It neither worries me nor reassures me</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>42%</b>
<b>Total Reassured</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>34%</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>10%</b>
It reassures me a little	6%	6%	2%	3%	17%	12%	1%	5%	5%	4%
It reassures me a lot	5%	4%	2%	2%	17%	17%	3%	2%	6%	6%



# The ideal collaboration for the EPP after the election








All respondents: 5.034














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	<b>TOTAL</b>	 Germany	 France	 Southern Europe*	 Italy	 Spain	 CEE	 Northern Europe
Base	5.034	958	736	1.450	682	513	1.154	736
Far-right parties	<b>17%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>17%</b>
Social Democratic Parties	<b>48%</b>	<b>56%</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>54%</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>54%</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>47%</b>
I don't know	<b>35%</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>28%</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>36%</b>

	<b>TOTAL</b>	 EPP	 S&D	 RE	 ID	 ECR	 Greens	 GUE/NGL	 Not affiliated	 No voting intention
Base	5.034	776	729	333	475	287	179	220	631	656
Far-right parties	<b>17%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>10%</b>
Social Democratic Parties	<b>48%</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>78%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>66%</b>	<b>63%</b>	<b>51%</b>	<b>24%</b>
I don't know	<b>35%</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>66%</b>

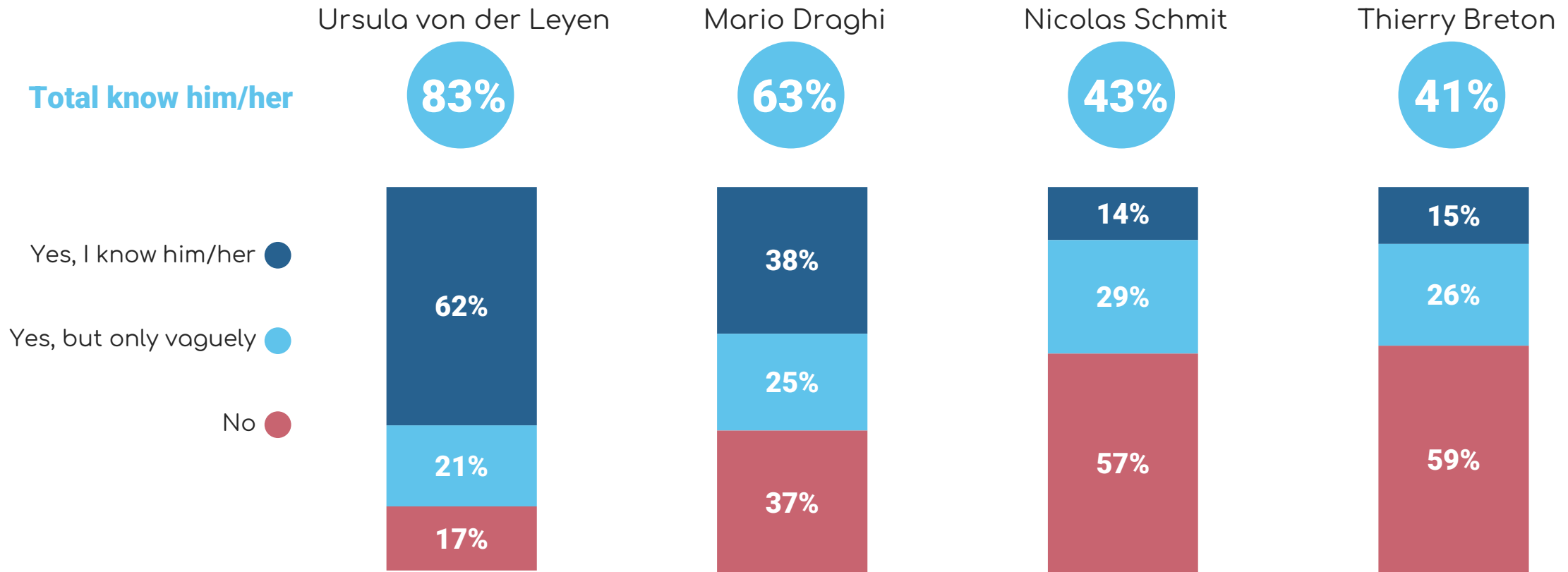
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Q. If you had to choose, do you think that the European People's Party (centre-right parties), in the next European Parliament, should opt for a collaboration with...



# The awareness of some European leaders








All respondents: 5.034





# The awareness of some European leaders

All respondents: 5.034










	Base	TOTAL KNOW HIM / HER	 Germany	 France	 Southern Europe*	 Italy	 Spain	 CEE	 Northern Europe
Ursula von der Leyen	5.034	<b>83%</b>	958 <b>92%</b>	736 <b>70%</b>	1.450 <b>87%</b>	682 <b>93%</b>	513 <b>80%</b>	1.154 <b>85%</b>	736 <b>76%</b>
Mario Draghi		<b>63%</b>	<b>64%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>86%</b>	<b>97%</b>	<b>75%</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>49%</b>
Nicolas Schmit		<b>43%</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>54%</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>34%</b>
Thierry Breton		<b>41%</b>	<b>34%</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>46%</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>35%</b>

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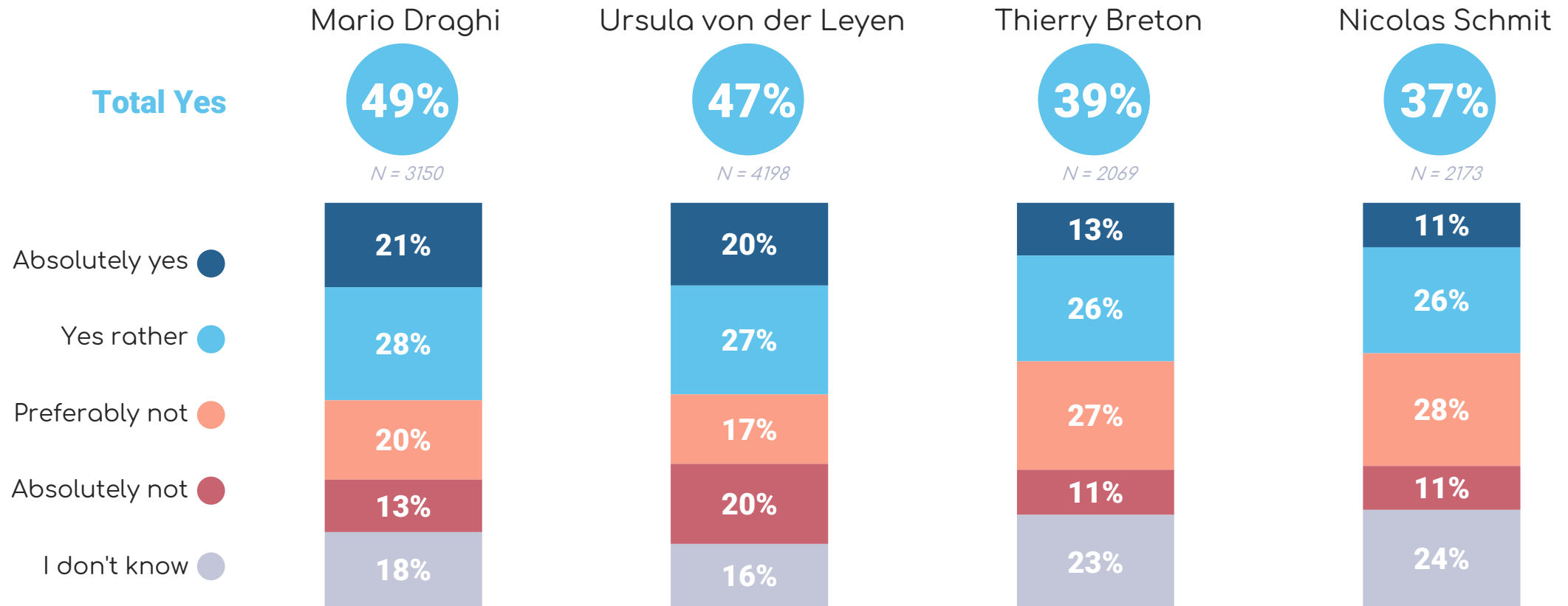
		<b>TOTAL KNOW HIM / HER</b>									
	Base	5.034	EPP 776	S&D 729	RE 333	ID 475	ECR 287	Greens 179	GUE/NGL 220	Not affiliated 631	No voting intention 656
Ursula von der Leyen		<b>83%</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>79%</b>	<b>88%</b>	<b>91%</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>89%</b>	<b>64%</b>
Mario Draghi		<b>63%</b>	<b>69%</b>	<b>73%</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>56%</b>	<b>75%</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>42%</b>
Nicolas Schmit		<b>43%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>54%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>56%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>26%</b>
Thierry Breton		<b>41%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>46%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>46%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>21%</b>





# The best future President of the next European Commission

All respondents: 5.034



Q. In your opinion, would the following politicians be appropriate to become President of the next European Commission after the European Elections?  
*Each politician is evaluated on the base of those who know him/her*



# The best future President of the next European Commission

All respondents: 5.034

## TOTAL YES



Germany



France



Southern Europe\*



Italy



Spain



CEE



Northern Europe

Mario Draghi

**49%**

**41%**

**33%**

**59%**

**68%**

**51%**

**47%**

**44%**

Ursula von der Leyen

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	<b>TOTAL YES</b>	 EPP	 S&D	 RE	 ID	 ECR	 Greens	 GUE/NGL	 Not affiliated	 No voting intention
Mario Draghi	<b>49%</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>59%</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>46%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>32%</b>
Ursula von der Leyen	<b>47%</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>26%</b>
Thierry Breton	<b>39%</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>24%</b>
Nicolas Schmit	<b>37%</b>	<b>46%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>20%</b>

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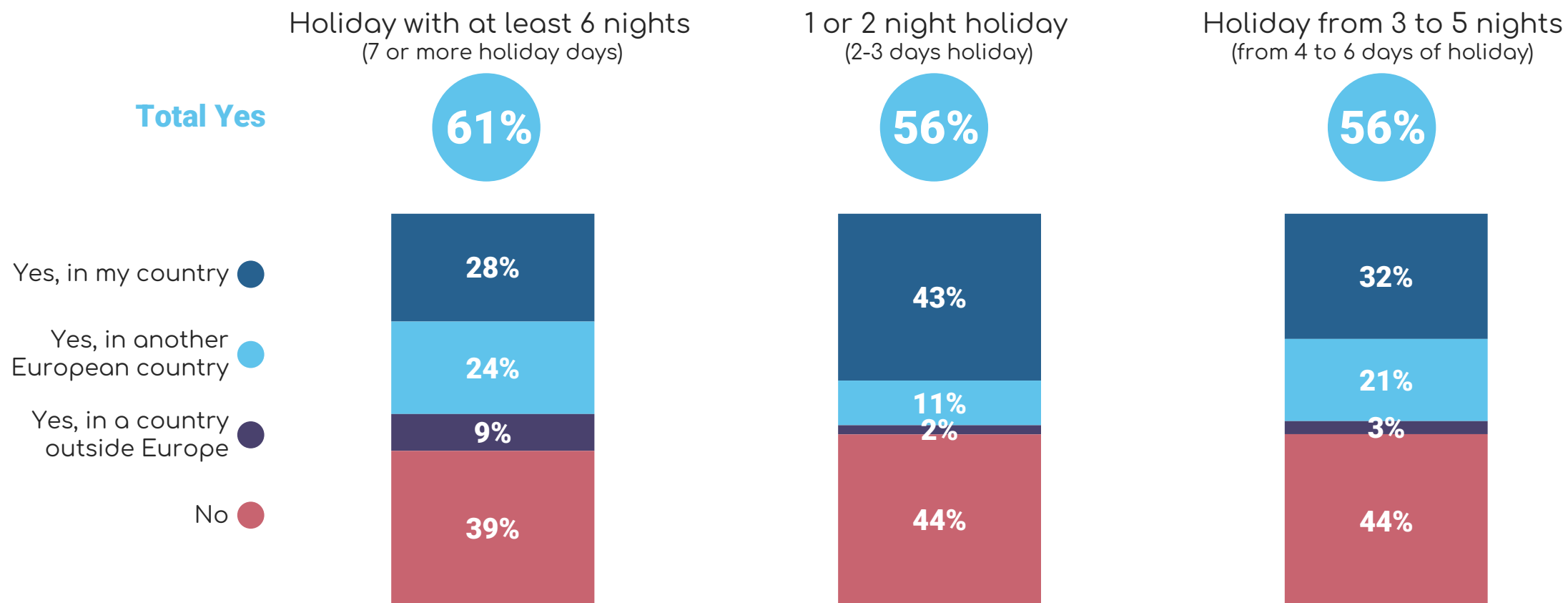
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# EUROPEANS PLANS FOR THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS



# Intention to take holidays in the upcoming months








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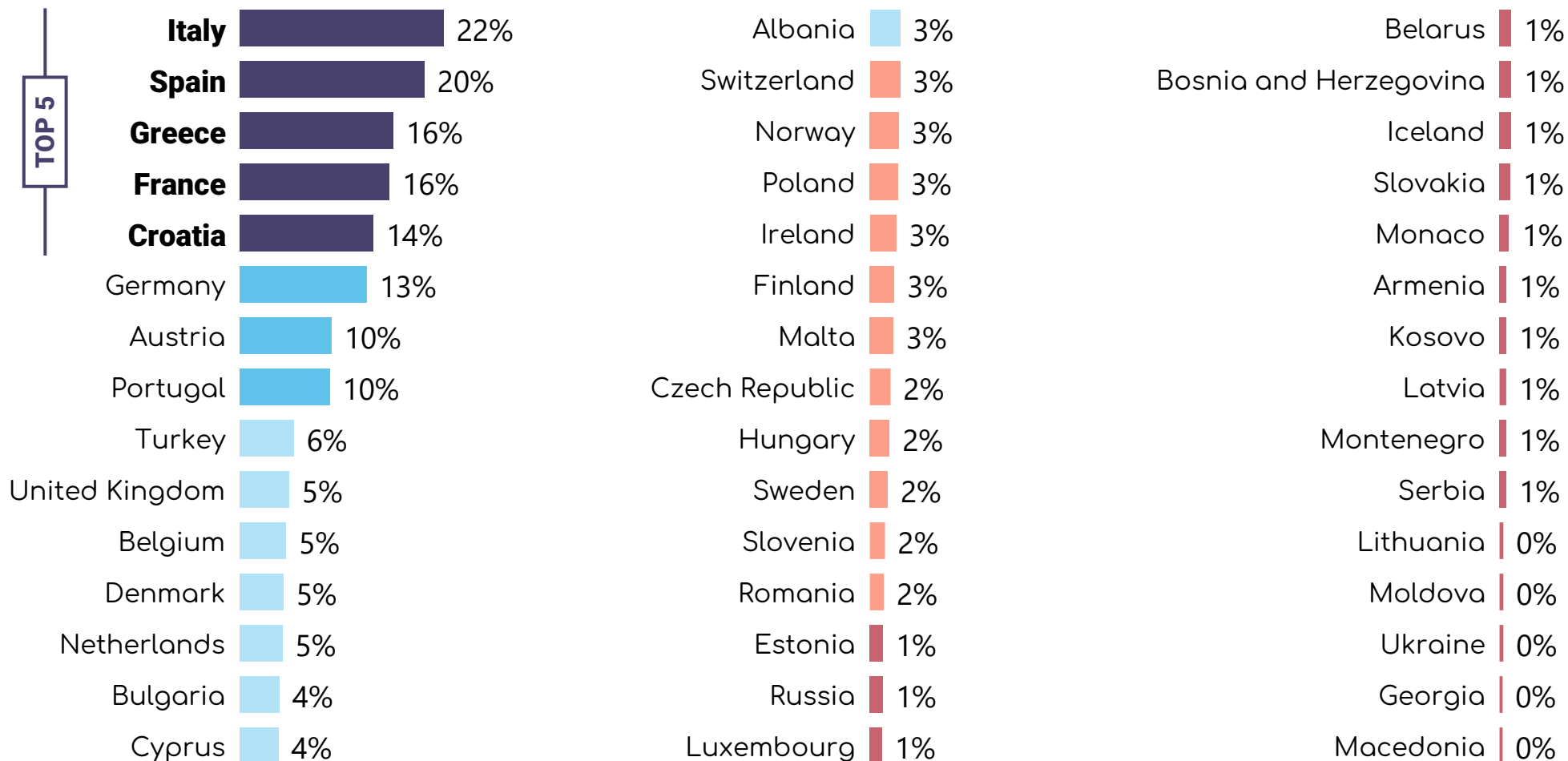
		<b>TOTAL YES</b>	 Germany	 France	 Southern Europe*	 Italy	 Spain	 CEE	 Northern Europe
	Base	5.034	958	736	1.450	682	513	1.154	736
Holiday with at least 6 nights (7 or more holiday days)	<b>61%</b>	<b>61%</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>63%</b>	
1 or 2 night holiday (2-3 days holiday)	<b>56%</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>63%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>62%</b>	
Holiday from 3 to 5 nights (from 4 to 6 days of holiday)	<b>56%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>57%</b>	

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# European destinations for summer holidays

All respondents: 1.935










Q. Specify which European country you have decided to travel to (up to 3 answers possible)  
*Question asked to those who plan to travel abroad in Europe*



# European destinations for summer holidays

All respondents: 1.935

TOP20 COUNTRIES	TOTAL							
		Germany	France	Southern Europe*	Italy	Spain	CEE	Northern Europe
Base	1.935	403	167	473	205	194	496	397
Italy	<b>22%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>20%</b>	-	<b>36%</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>22%</b>
Spain	<b>20%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>26%</b>	-	<b>14%</b>	<b>22%</b>
Greece	<b>16%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>15%</b>
France	<b>16%</b>	<b>15%</b>	-	<b>23%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>20%</b>
Croatia	<b>14%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>11%</b>
Germany	<b>13%</b>	-	<b>10%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>21%</b>
Austria	<b>10%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>6%</b>
Portugal	<b>10%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>10%</b>
Turkey	<b>6%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>5%</b>
United Kingdom	<b>5%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>4%</b>
Belgium	<b>5%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>6%</b>
Denmark	<b>5%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>5%</b>
Netherlands	<b>5%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>3%</b>
Bulgaria	<b>4%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>2%</b>
Cyprus	<b>4%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>4%</b>
Albania	<b>3%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>2%</b>
Switzerland	<b>3%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>3%</b>
Norway	<b>3%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>4%</b>
Poland	<b>3%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>2%</b>
Ireland	<b>3%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>2%</b>

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