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G7 Countries' Views on International Cooperation

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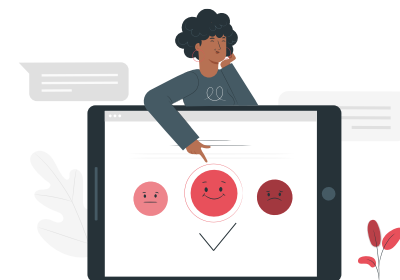
Methodology










The survey was conducted **among a sample of 7,016 people**, representative of the populations of the G7 countries aged 18 and over, composed as follows:



The representativeness of each sample was ensured using the quota method, based on the following variables:



The interviews were conducted via a self-administered online questionnaire from **3 to 7 April 2026**.

Country	Size	Quota variable	Source Statistics
 France	1,001 interviews	Gender – Age – Occupation (ISCO) - Région - Size of urban area	EUROSTAT 2021 – RP 2022
 Italy	1,001 interviews	Gender – Age – Occupation (ISCO) - Région	EUROSTAT 2021
 Germany	1,007 interviews	Gender – Age – Occupation (ISCO) - Région	EUROSTAT 2021
 United Kingdom	1,001 interviews	Gender – Age – Occupation (ISCO) - Région	EUROSTAT 2021
 Canada	1,004 interviews	Gender – Age – Occupation - Région - Mother tongue	Census 2021
 United States	1,002 interviews	Sexe – Age – Occupation - Région - Race – Hispanic origin	Census 2023
 Japan	1,000 interviews	Gender – Age – Occupation (ISCO) - Région	Official Statistics of Japan 2020

TO CITE THIS STUDY, THE FOLLOWING FORMULATION MUST BE USED AT A MINIMUM:

“Ifop study for **AFD** conducted via a self-administered online questionnaire from 3 to 7 April 2026 among a sample of 7,016 people, representative of the populations of the G7 countries aged 18 and over.”

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GENERAL OUTLOOK
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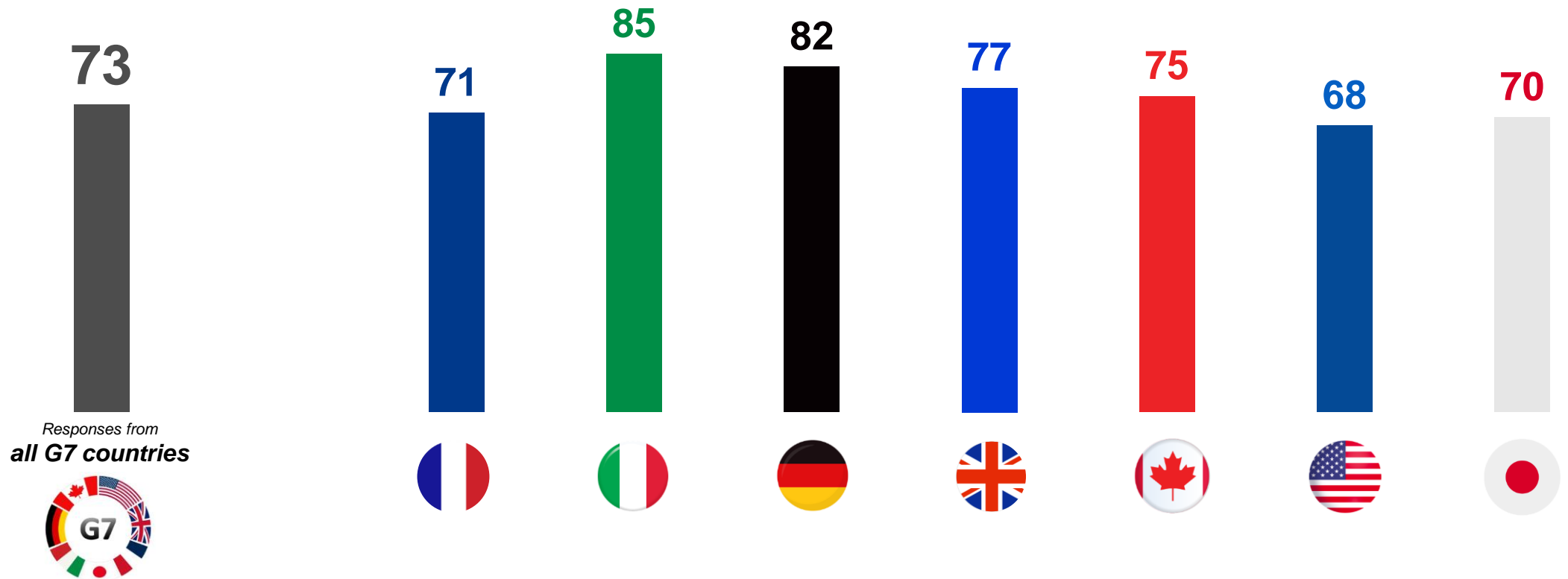
Significant interest in International News

Q. Please indicate how interested you are in international news on a scale from 0 to 10, where 10 means you are extremely interested and 0 means you are not at all interested.

G7 Base: population of the G7 countries



Proportion of G7 residents with a strong interest (6–10) in international news



Prioritisation of Major Global Issues : Economy + Security

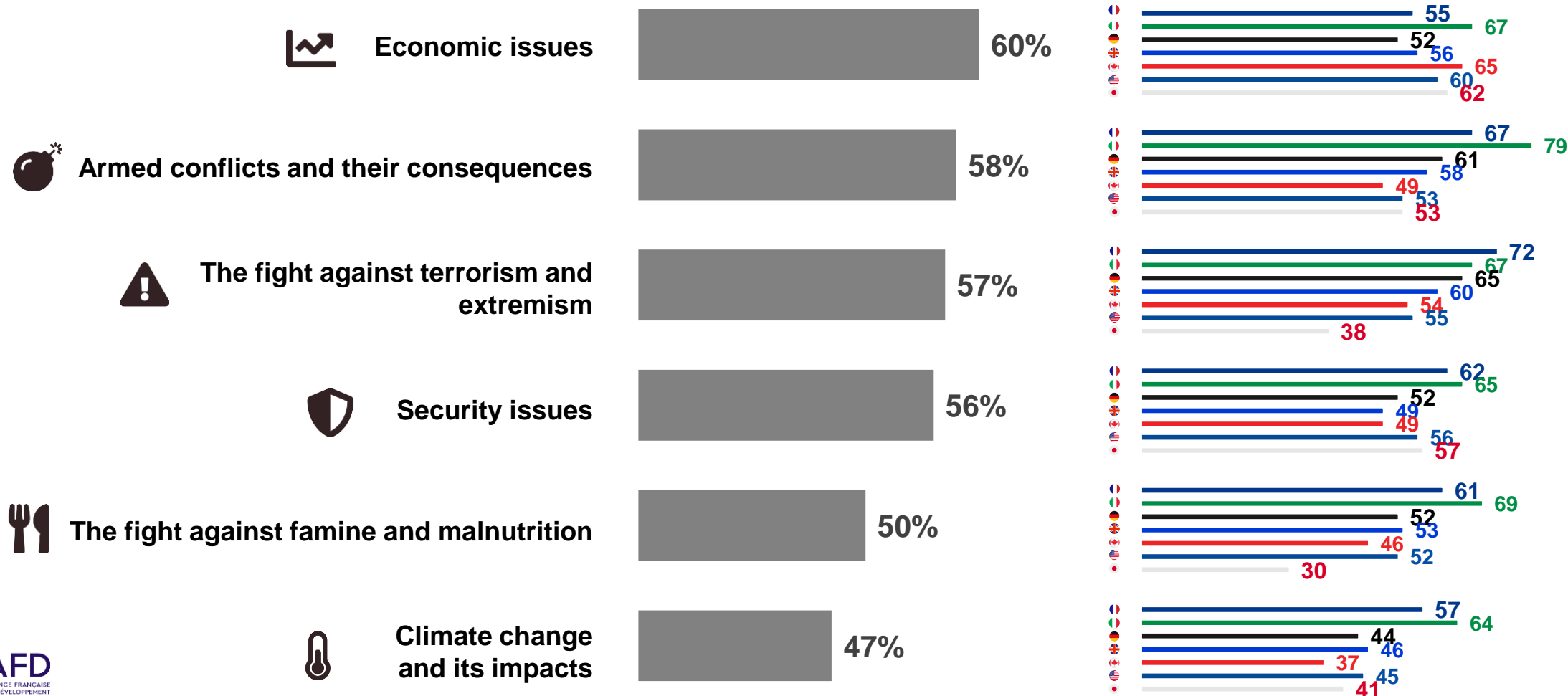
Q. And does each of the following major global challenges seem to you completely a priority, important but not a priority, or secondary?

G7 Base: population of the G7 countries

Responses from
all G7 countries

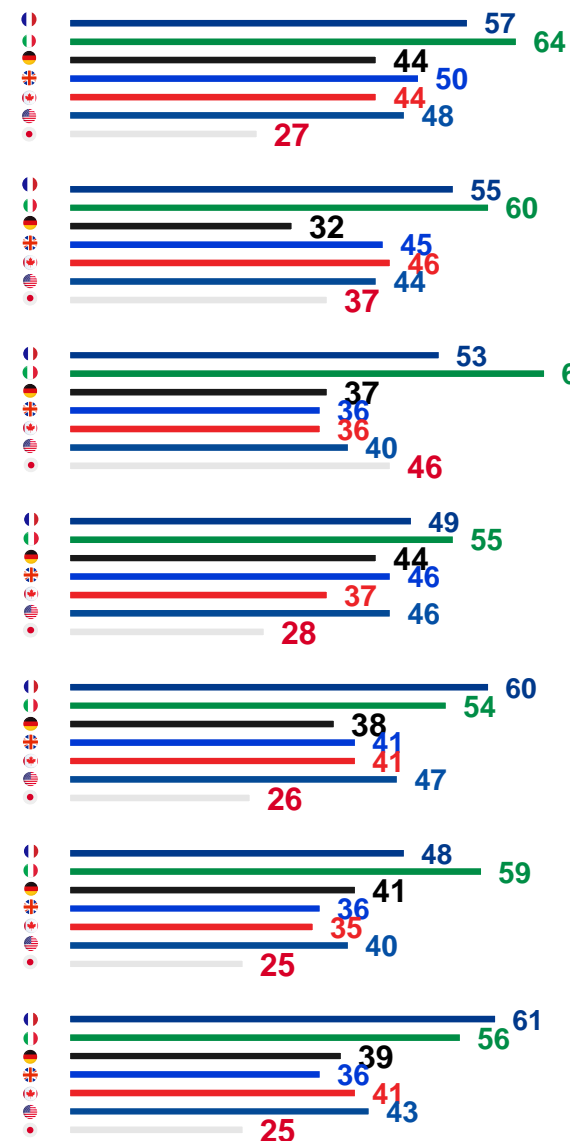


Proportion of people who consider this issue a "priority"...



Prioritisation of Major Global Issues(continued)

Proportion of people who consider this issue a "priority"...

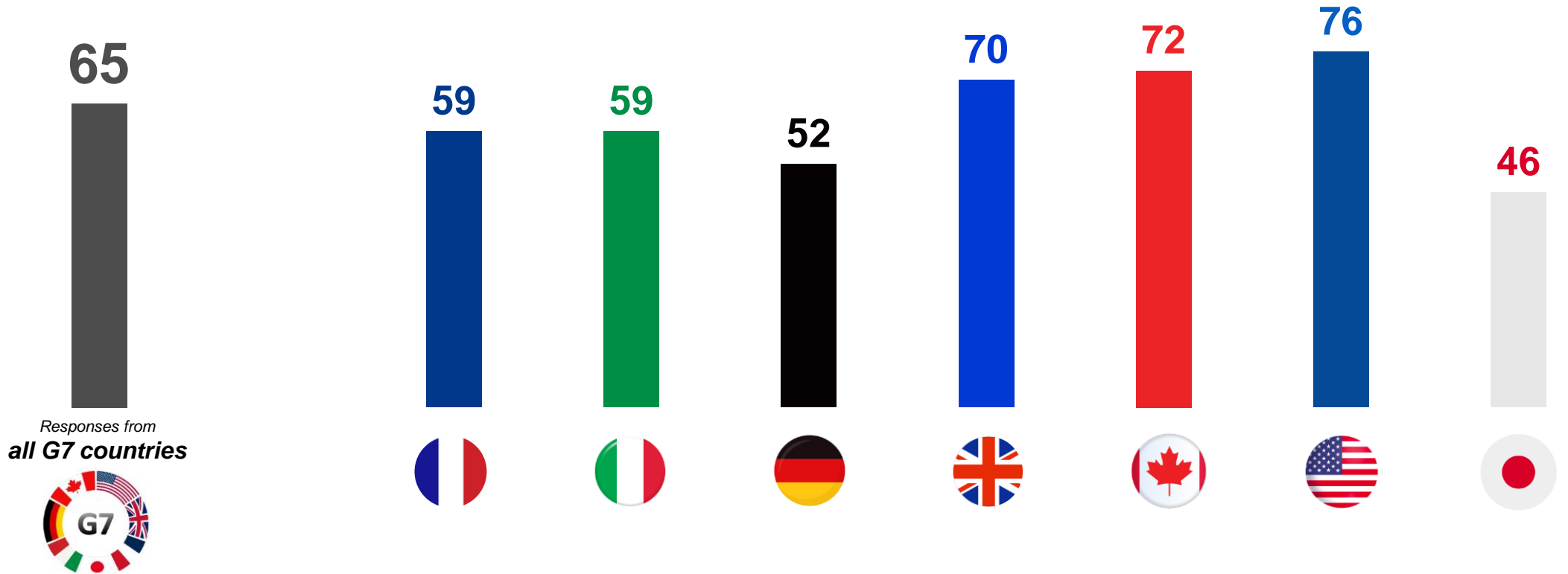


Significant level of Concern for Developing Countries

Q. In general, would you say you feel concerned or not concerned about the difficulties faced by people in countries less developed than your own?

G7 Base: population of the G7 countries

Proportion of G7 residents who feel concerned about the difficulties faced by less developed countries

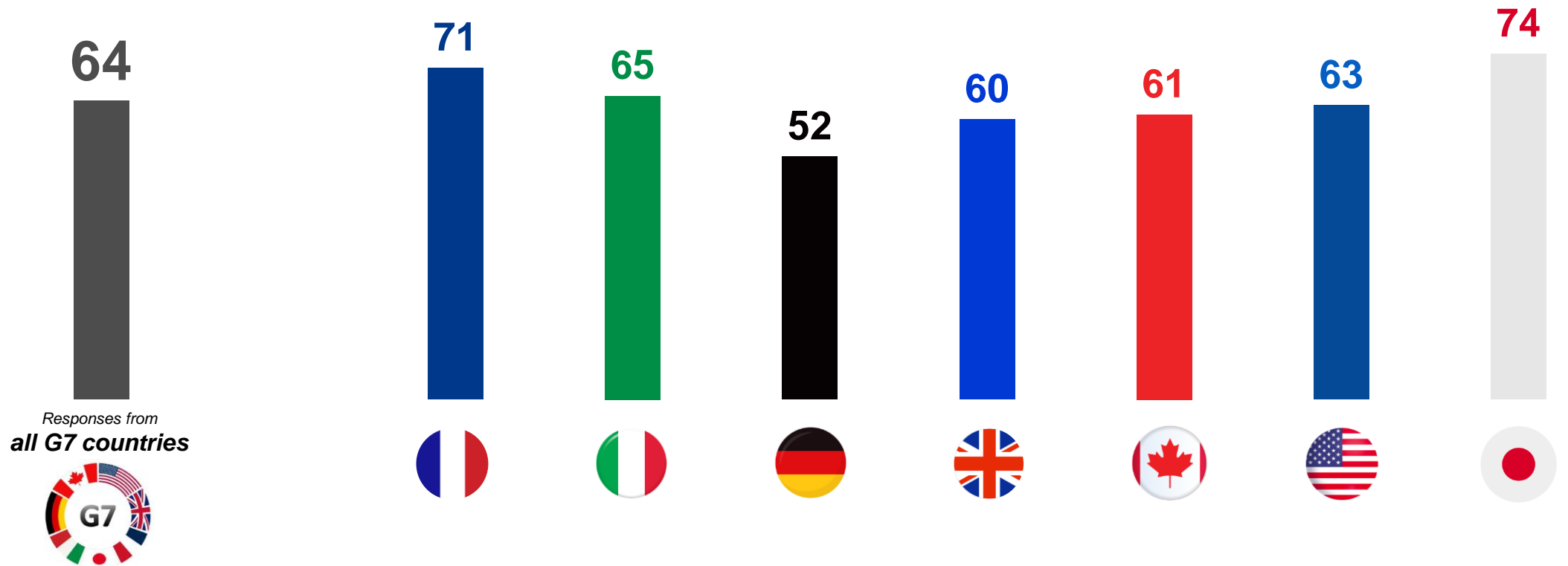


Perceived Impact of Developing Countries on Everyday Life

Q. Do you feel that over the next ten to fifteen years, what happens in developing countries — for example politically, economically, in terms of climate or demographics — could have an impact on your life...?

G7 Base: population of the G7 countries

Proportion of G7 residents who believe events in developing countries could have a significant impact on their lives



Reducing Inequalities and Protecting the Environment together

Q. Regarding [country]'s cooperation policy, which of the following do you agree with most?

G7 Base: population of the G7 countries

Responses from
all G7 countries



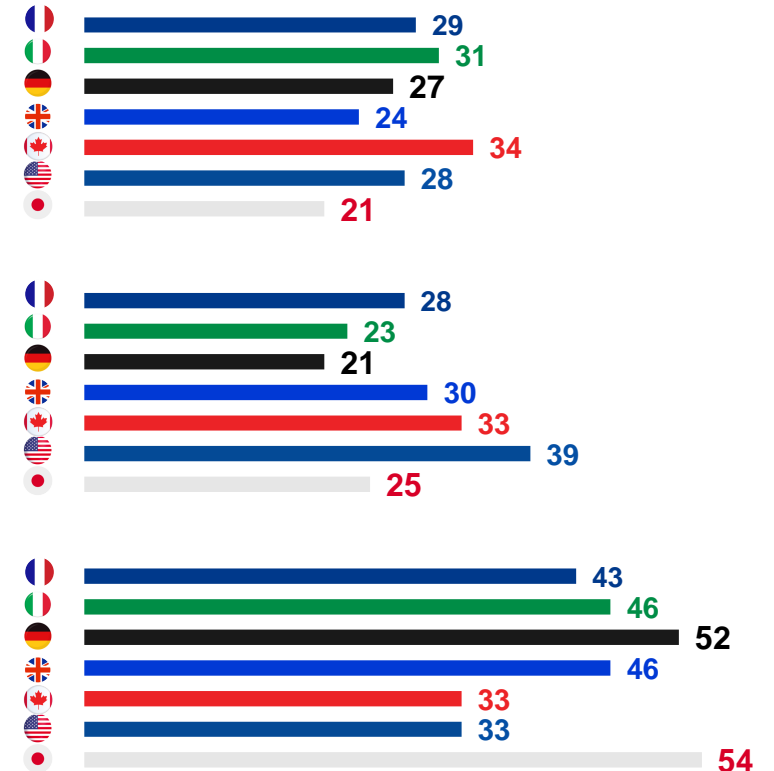
Tackling inequality should take priority over protecting the environment



Protecting the environment should take priority over tackling inequality



Tackling inequality and protecting the environment are inseparable goals





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AWARENESS AND
PERCEPTIONS OF
INTERNATIONAL
COOPERATION

Views on International Cooperation Policy : an investment & an obligation for global commons

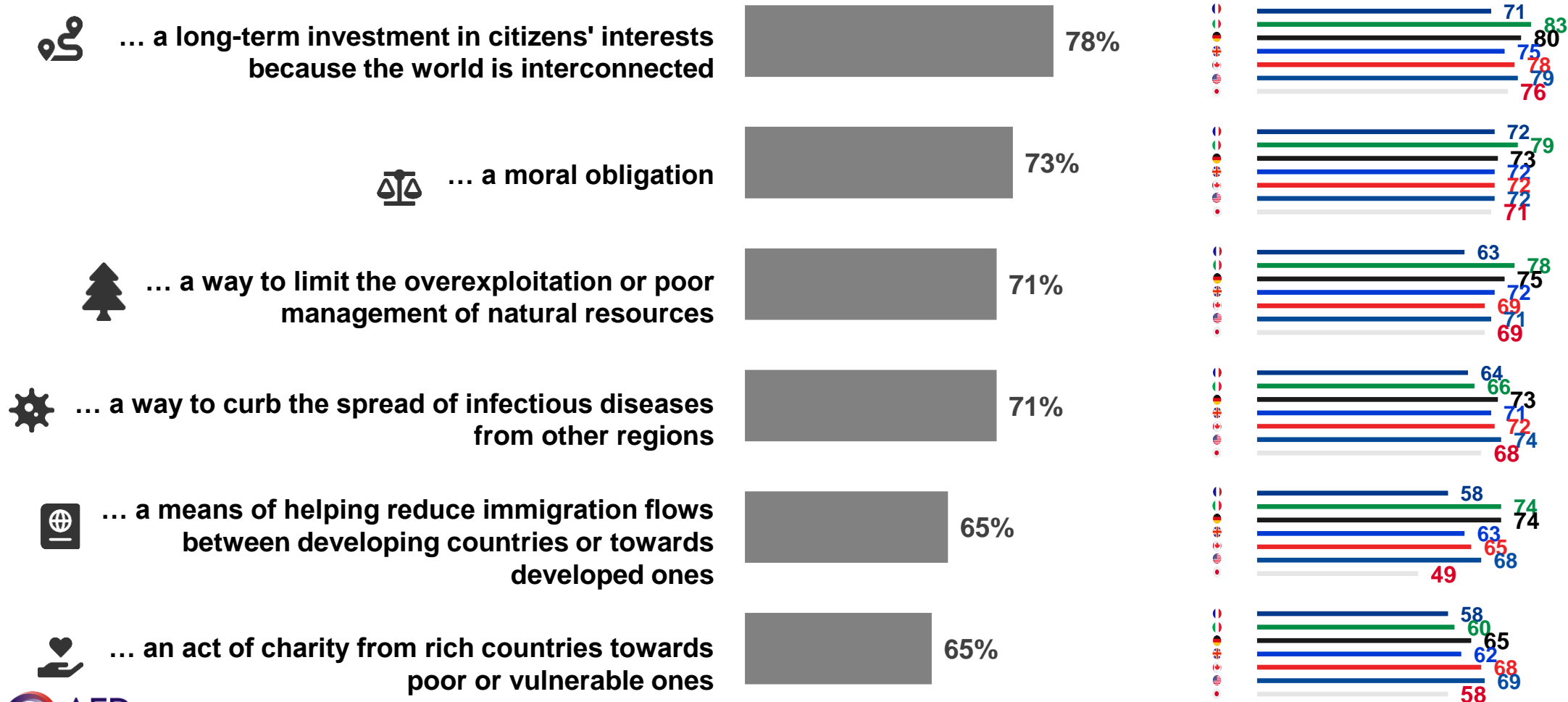
Q. For you, international cooperation policy is...?

G7 Base: population of the G7 countries

Responses from
all G7 countries



Agreement rate with the following statements



Views on International Cooperation Policy (continued)

Q. For you, international cooperation policy is...?

G7 Base: population of the G7 countries

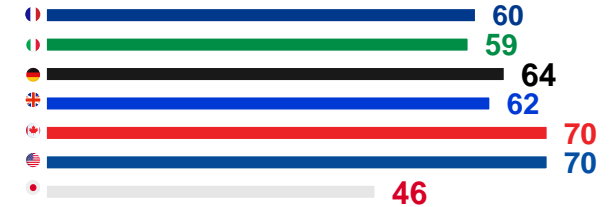
Responses from
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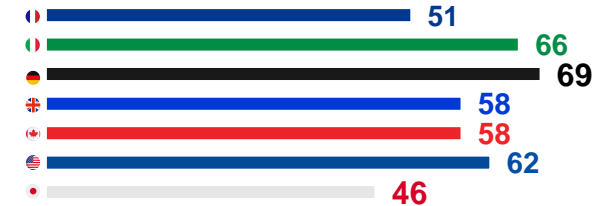
Agreement rate with the following statements



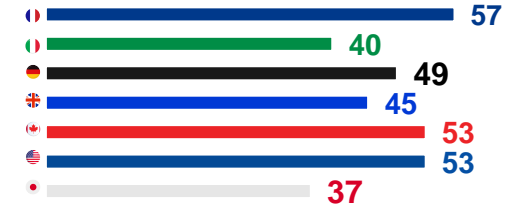
... a way to counter the influence of competing countries



... an effective means of reducing immigration to your country



... a waste of public money



Perceived Responsibilities of One's Country on the International Stage

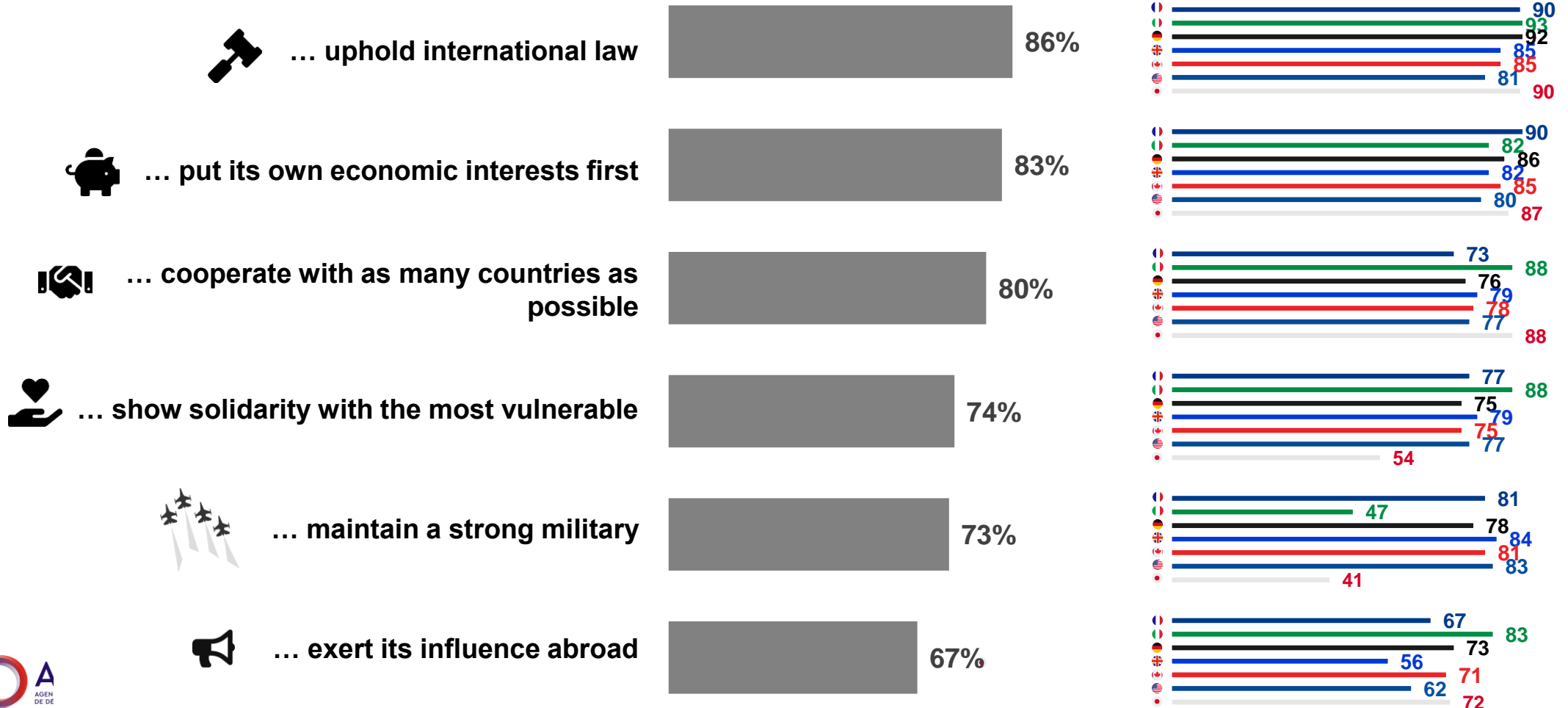
Q. To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements:

G7 Base: population of the G7 countries

Agreement rate with the following statements

« A country like [country] has a duty to... »

Responses from
all G7 countries

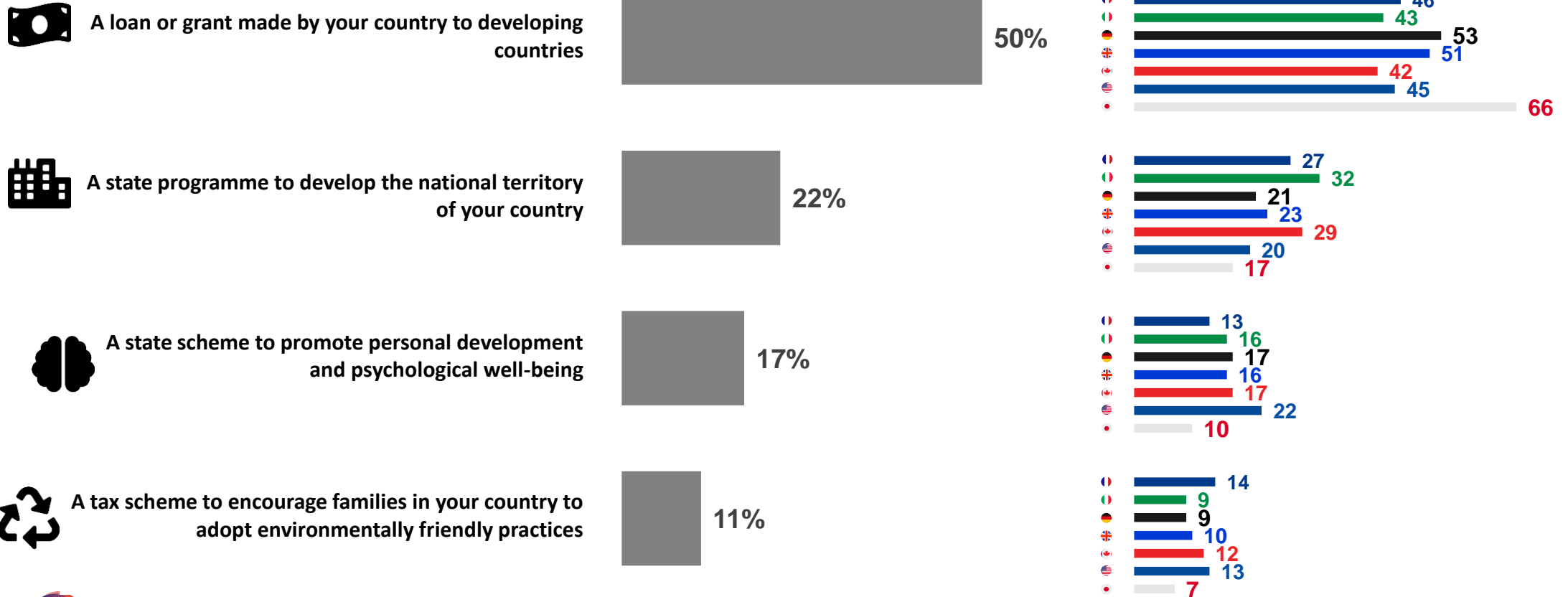


Spontaneous Awareness of Official Development Assistance (ODA)

Q. In your opinion, official development assistance (ODA) is primarily...?

G7 Base: population of the G7 countries

Responses from
all G7 countries



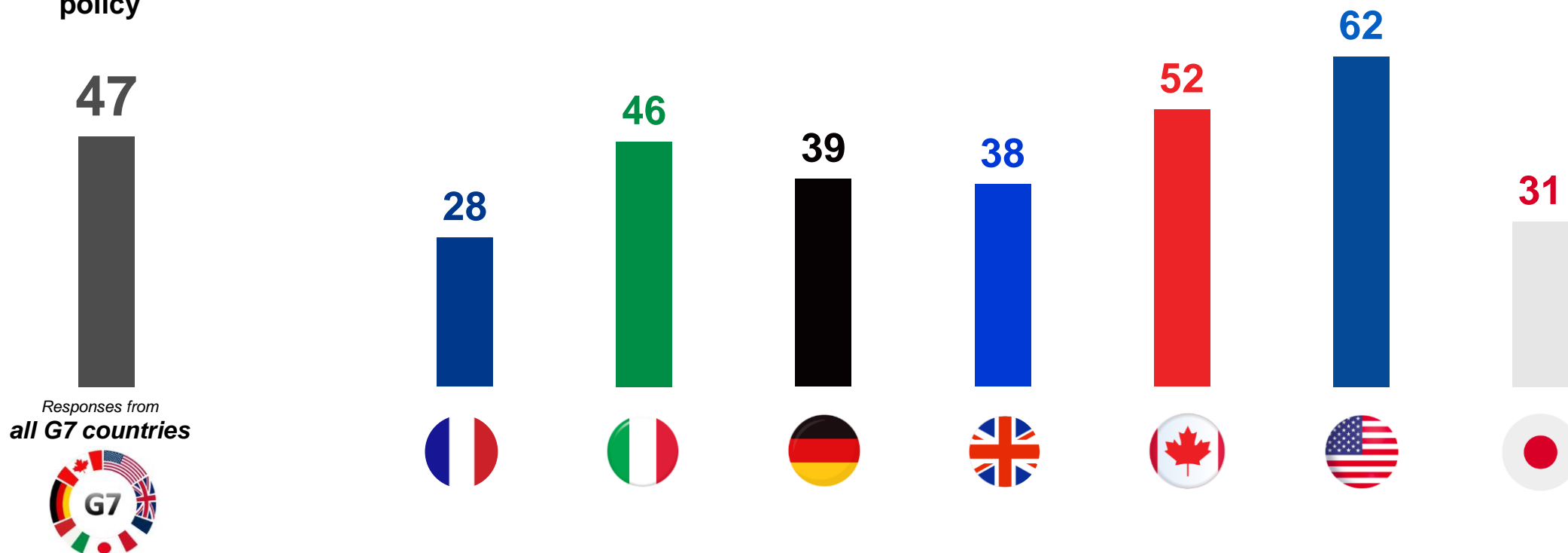
Perceived Level of Awareness of International Cooperation Policy



Q. * Do you feel well or poorly informed about [country]'s international cooperation policy...?

G7 Base: population of the G7 countries

Proportion of people living in the G7 countries who feel informed about international cooperation policy



*By international cooperation policy, we mean the aid or solidarity-based investments made by [country] in developing countries, considered an integral part of its foreign or international solidarity policy.

Estimated Budget Share Allocated to International Cooperation : a massive misperception

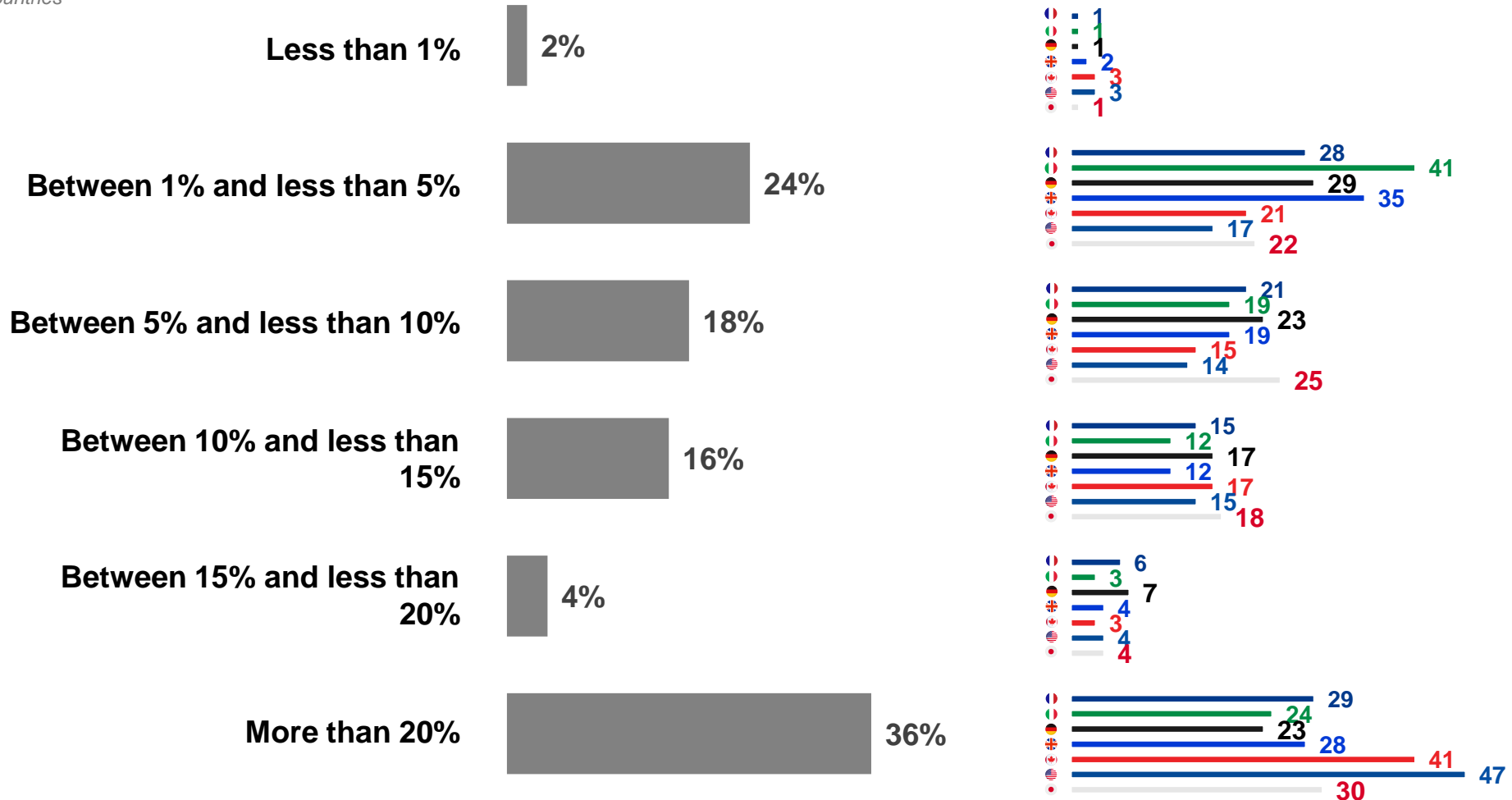
Q. In your opinion, what share of your country's national budget is dedicated to international cooperation?

Open-ended question – Unprompted response

Responses from
all G7 countries



G7 Base: population of the G7 countries



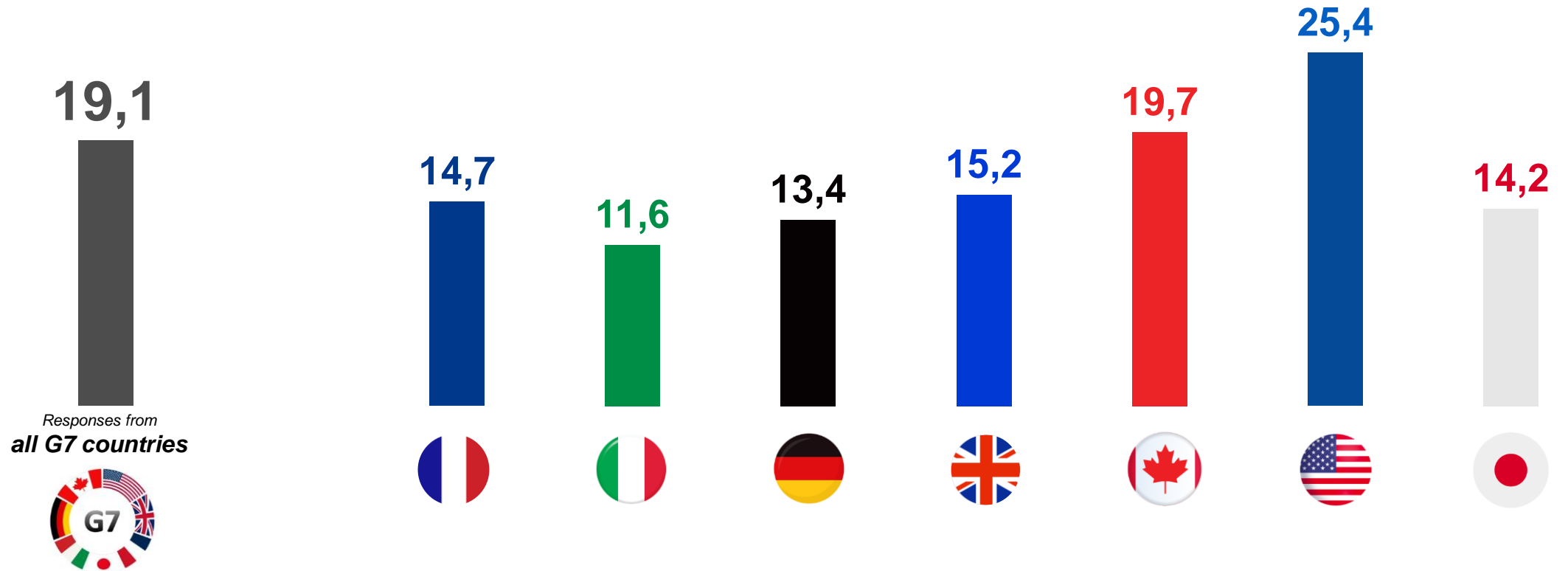
Estimated Budget Share Allocated to International Cooperation (cont.)

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Open-ended question – Unprompted response

G7 Base: population of the G7 countries

Average share of national budget (%)





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SUPPORT FOR
COOPERATION
POLICY

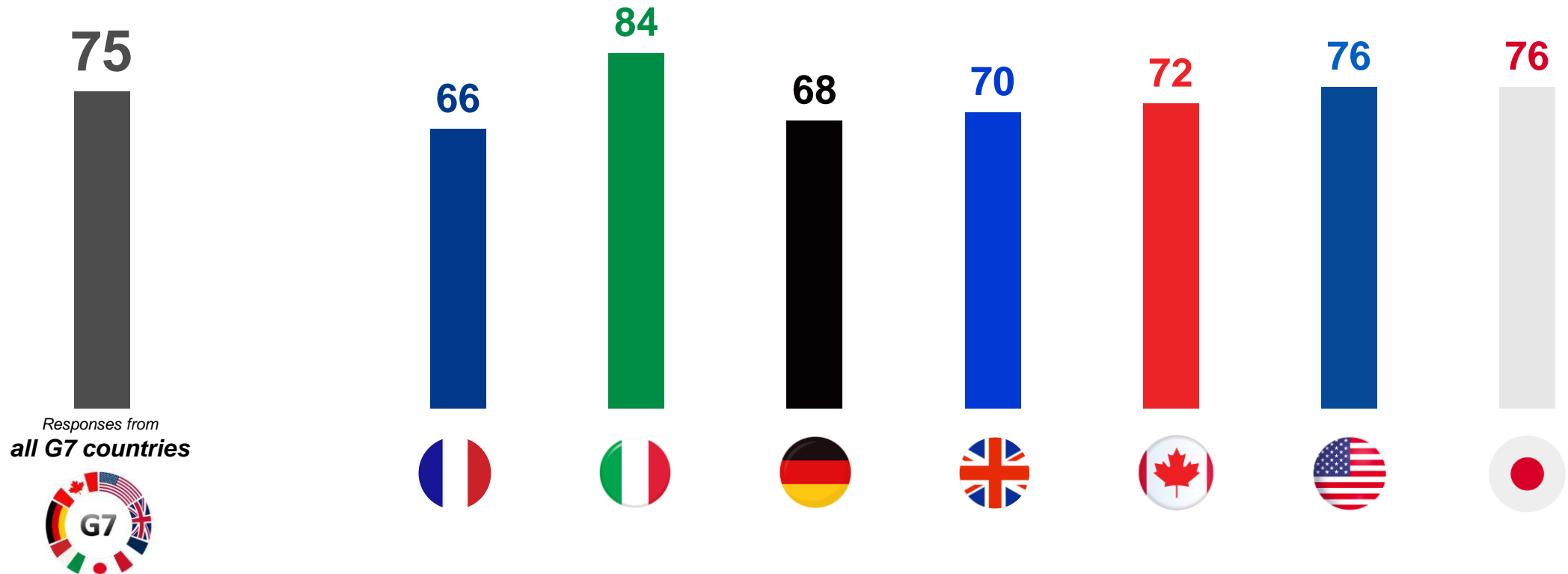
Strong support for Assistance to Developing Countries



Q. Some people are in favour of [COUNTRY] supporting developing countries, while others are against it. Personally, are you very much in favour, rather in favour, rather opposed or very much opposed?

G7 Base: population of the G7 countries

Support rate for assistance to developing countries



A majority to maintain the Budget dedicated to development aid

Q. In the current context, do you think [country] should reduce, maintain or increase the share of its state budget dedicated to development aid?

G7 Base: population of the G7 countries

Responses from
all G7 countries



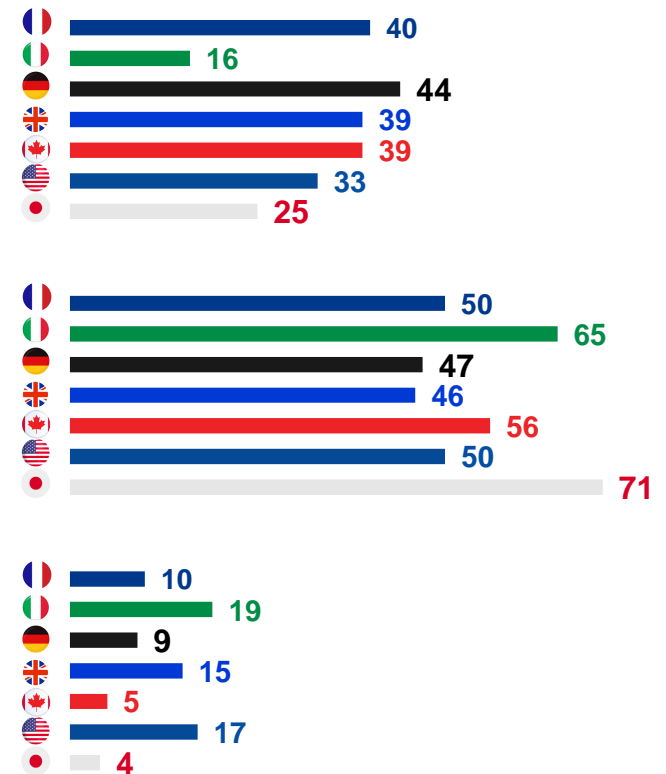
It should be reduced



It should remain at the same level



It should be increased



Ways to Build Stronger Support for International Cooperation

Q. Could each of the following outcomes help strengthen your support for international cooperation?

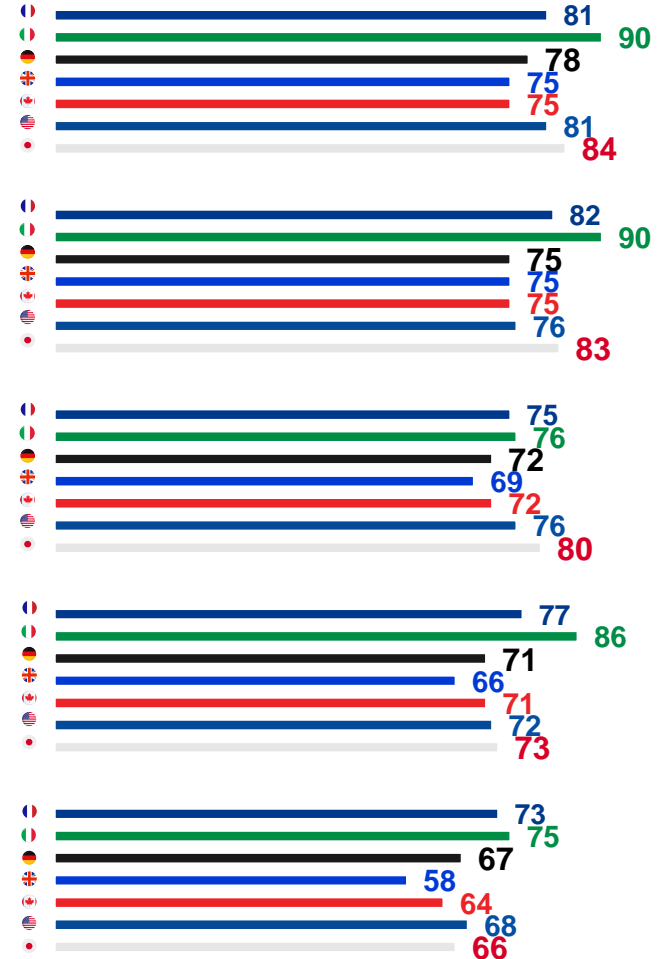
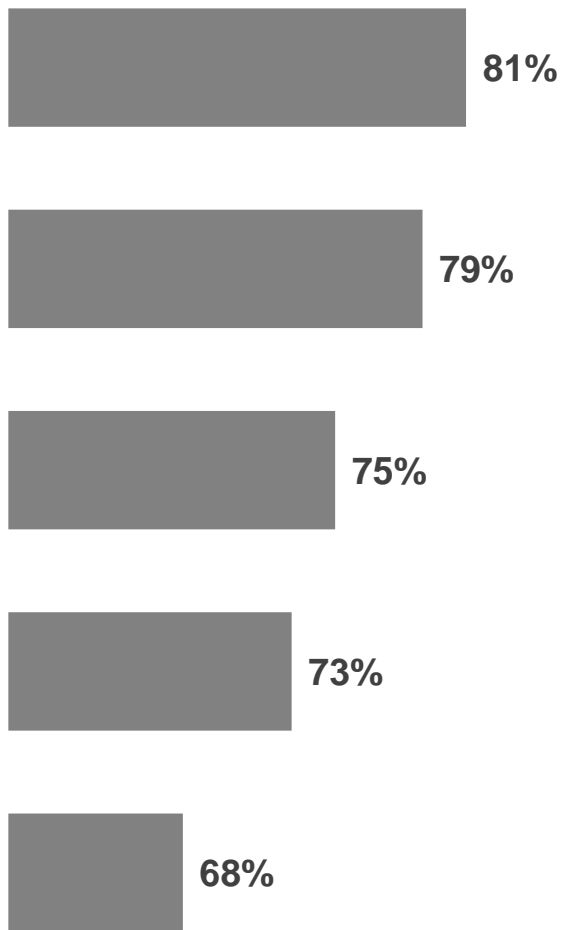
G7 Base: population of the G7 countries

Responses from
all G7 countries



Share of respondents for whom this argument strengthens support for international cooperation

-  **Having more information on how money is spent**
-  **Seeing concrete results on the ground**
-  **Demonstrating its usefulness for our own country**
-  **Strengthening project controls and evaluations**
-  **Focusing aid on a more limited set of priorities**



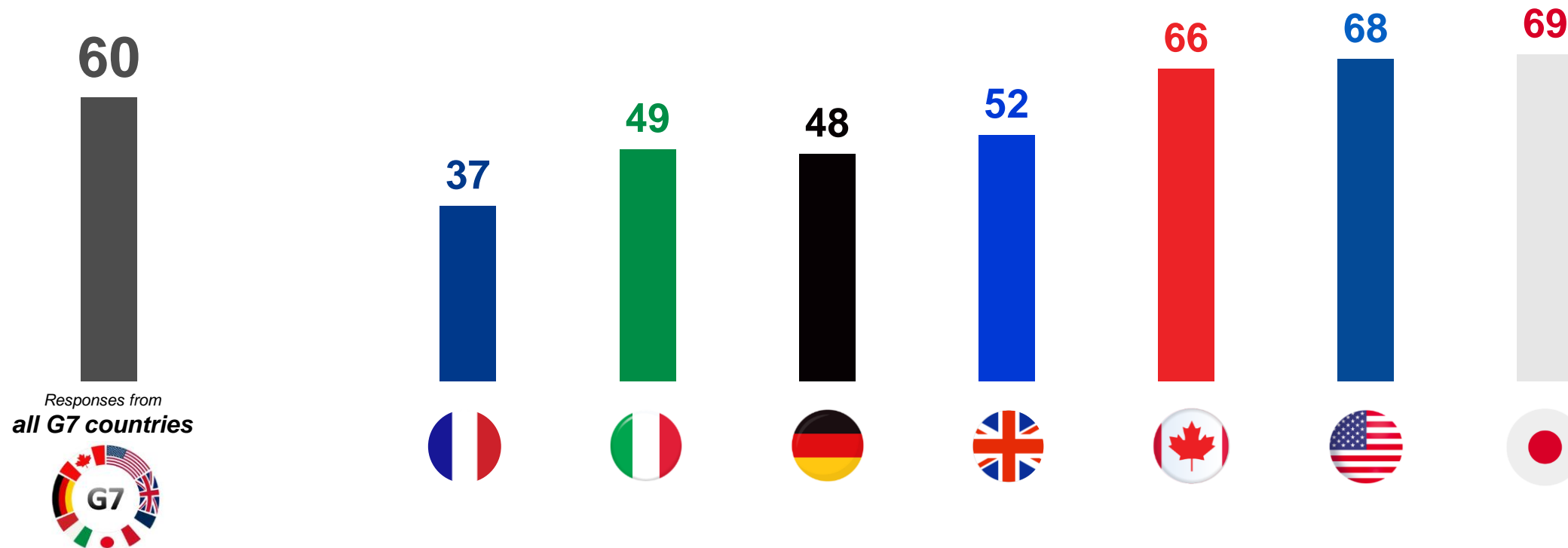
Perceived Effectiveness of Aid to Developing Countries



Q. Overall, do you think [country]'s support for developing countries is...?

G7 Base: population of the G7 countries

Proportion of residents who consider support for developing countries to be “effective”



Perceived Impact of Development Funding Across Sectors

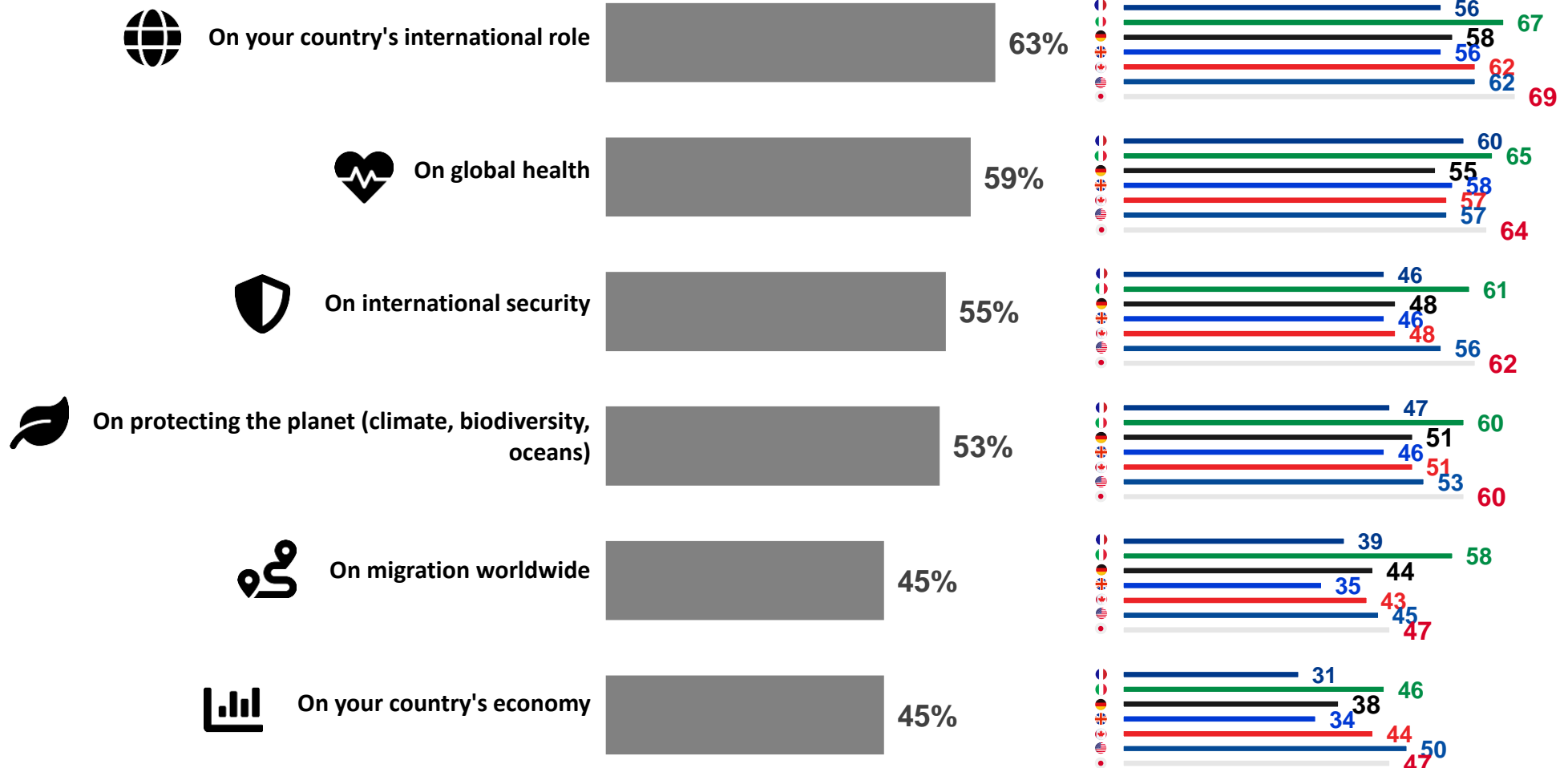
Q. When [country] provides funding or invests to support the development of poorer countries in need on economic, climate, health grounds, etc., do you think this can have...?

Responses from
all G7 countries



G7 Base: population of the G7 countries

Percentage of respondents who believe their country's development aid has a positive impact...



The G7 is the most Relevant Level for Action in International Cooperation

Q. In your view, at which level is it most appropriate to act in international cooperation?

G7 Base: population of the G7 countries

Responses from
all G7 countries



At the level of your country

20%



At the level of the G7 countries
(France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Canada,
the United Kingdom and the United States)

46%



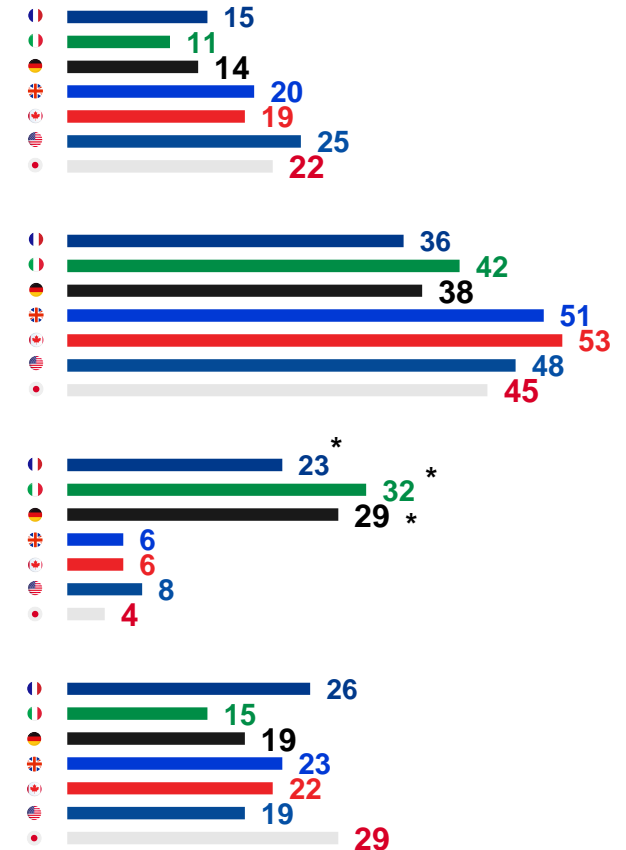
At another level

12%



Don't know

22%



* For these countries, the example "e.g., the European Union" was included in parentheses.

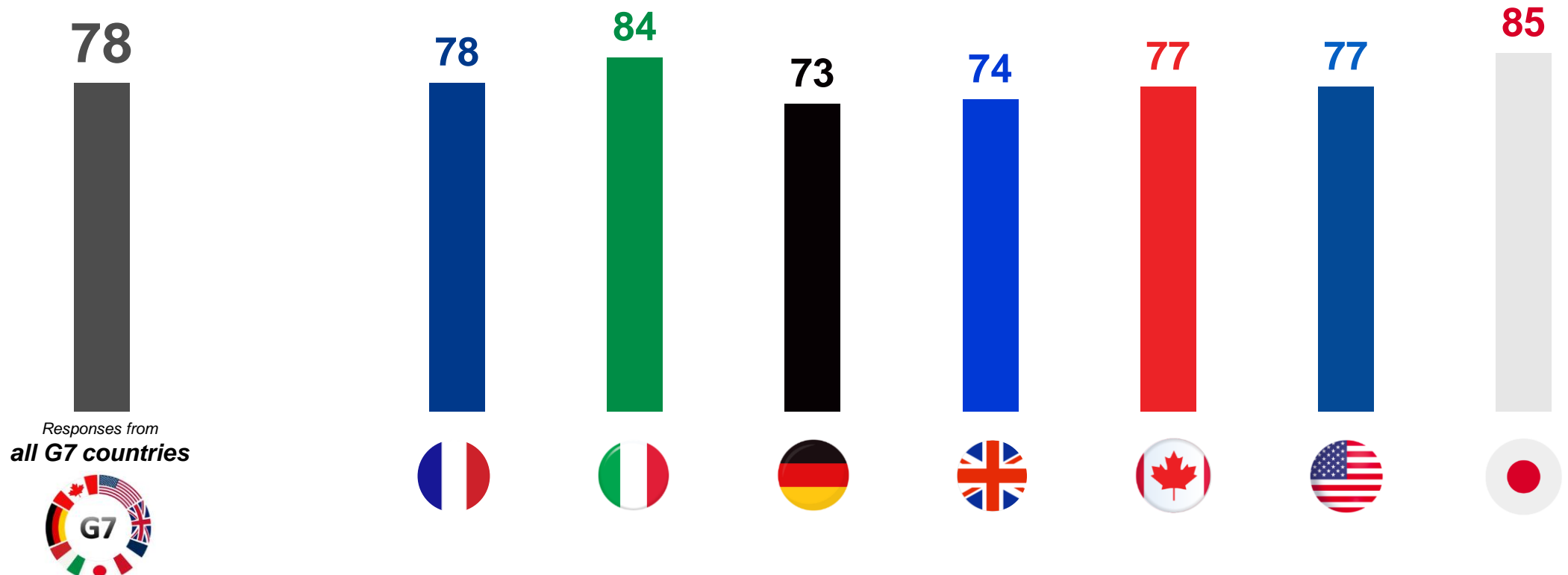
Negative perceptions of Major Powers' Disengagement

Q. The United States has withdrawn from the World Health Organisation (WHO) and the Paris Climate Agreement. Germany, the United Kingdom and France have reduced the share of their budgets dedicated to official development assistance.

In your view, for the management of major global crises (health, poverty, climate, etc.), will these decisions have consequences...?

G7 Base: population of the G7 countries

Proportion of G7 residents who believe these decisions will have significant consequences



Negative perceptions of Major Powers' Disengagement (cont.)


Q. Personally, do you approve or disapprove of each of the following decisions?


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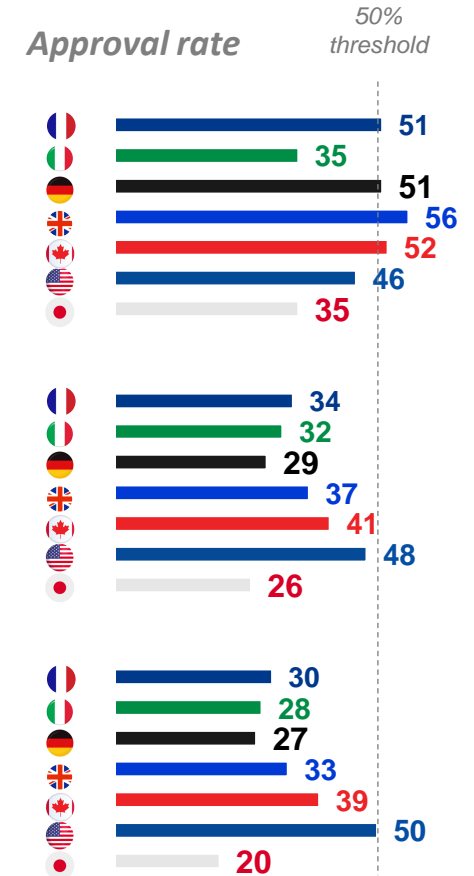
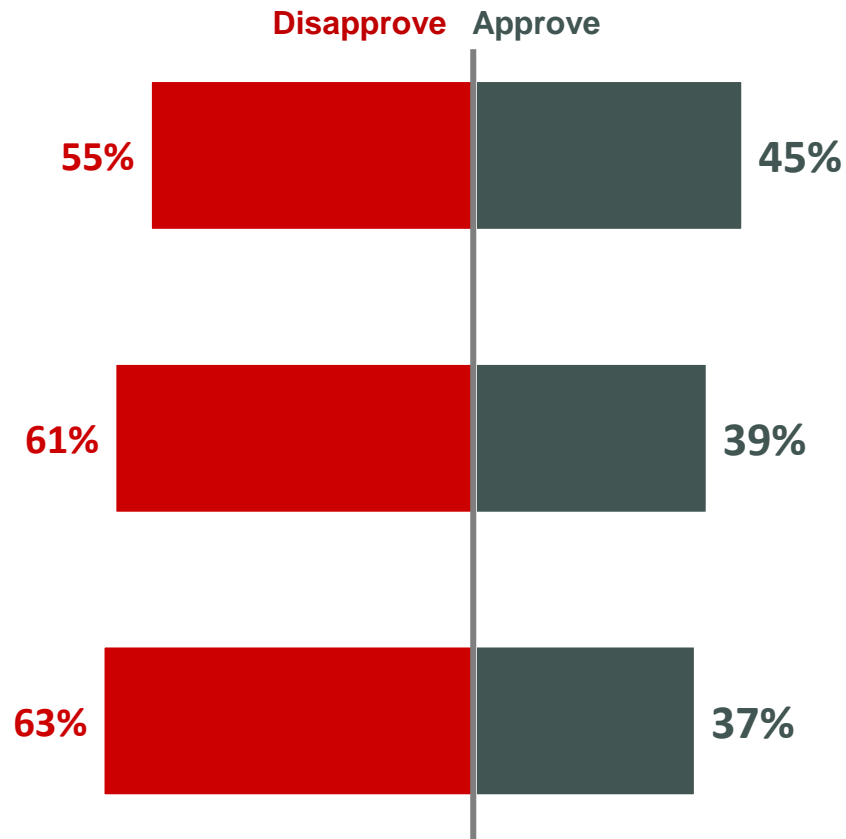
Responses from
all G7 countries



 The decision by certain European governments to reduce the share of their budget dedicated to ODA

 The closure of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

 The withdrawal of the United States from the World Health Organisation (WHO) and the Paris Climate Agreement



Expected consequences of Major Powers' Disengagement

Q. Given the decline in development aid from the European Union or the United States, are you in favour or opposed to...?

G7 Base: population of the G7 countries

Approval rate among the population of the G7 countries



... emerging countries — such as China, India, Brazil or Turkey — taking a leading role in funding support for developing countries



... major private foundations (e.g. the Gates Foundation, etc.) taking a leading role in funding support for developing countries





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GEOGRAPHICAL AND SECTORAL PRIORITIES

Priority Regions for International Cooperation: Africa & Neighbors

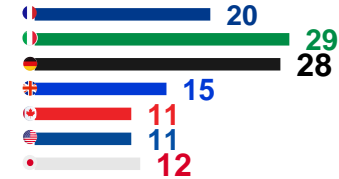
Q. In your view, which regions of the world should [country] prioritise within its international cooperation policy (through aid or solidarity-based investment in developing countries)?

G7 Base: population of the G7 countries

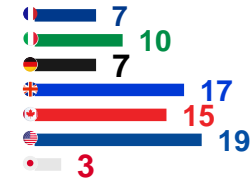
Responses from
all G7 countries



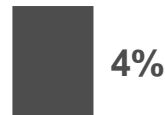
Central and West Africa
(Ivory Coast, DRC, Cameroon, Senegal, Niger, Mali, Chad, Burkina Faso, Rwanda, etc.)



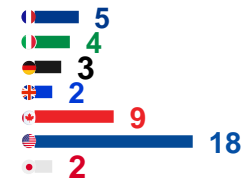
English- and Portuguese-speaking Africa (South Africa, Ethiopia, Kenya, Angola, Mozambique, etc.)



**Maghreb —
i.e. North African countries**

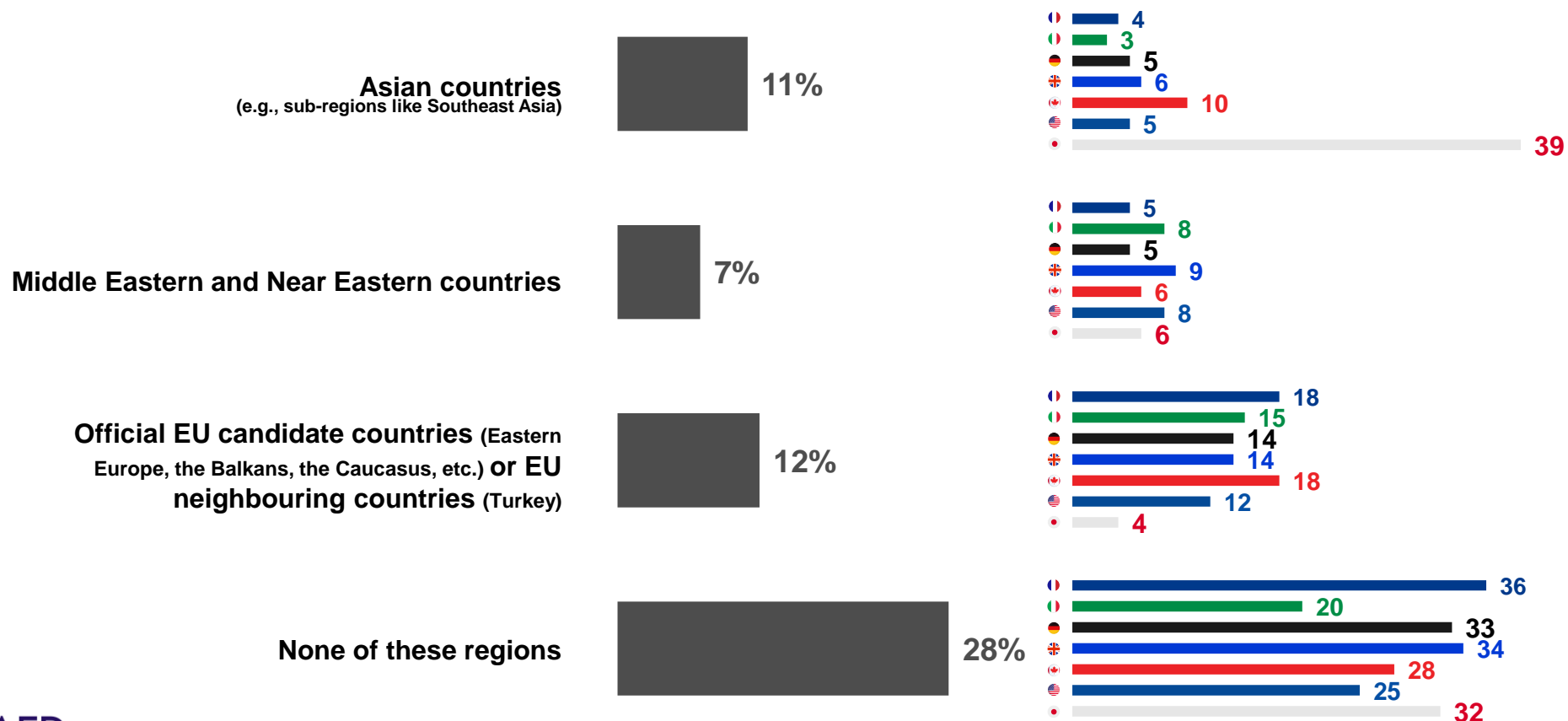


**South and Central
American countries**



Priority Regions for International Cooperation (cont.)

Responses from
all G7 countries



Main Priority for Public Cooperation Policy



Q. Looking ahead, what should be the main priority of [country]'s international cooperation policy?

G7 Base: population of the G7 countries

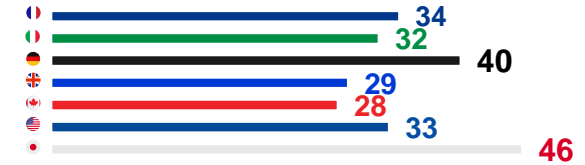
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Contributing to stability and peace in the world



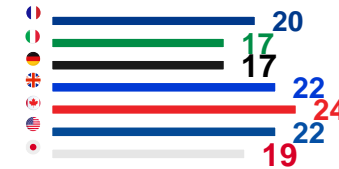
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Strengthening your country's standing internationally



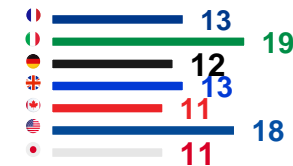
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Tackling inequality and poverty around the world



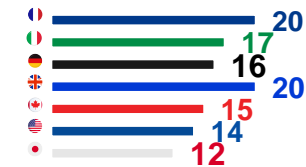
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Contributing to the fight against climate change and protecting biodiversity and the oceans



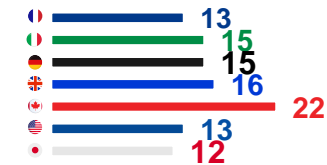
15%



Helping your country's businesses access international markets



14%



International Causes that Resonate Most Personally

Percentage of respondents who could be motivated to get involved in the following causes

Q. Could each of the following international causes motivate you to get personally involved (for example by signing a petition, making a donation, etc.)?



G7 Base: population of the G7 countries



The fight against famine and malnutrition

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Natural disasters

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Epidemics and global health crises

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Poverty and inequality in the world

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Security issues

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Education issues

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The fight against terrorism and extremism

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The fight against climate change and its impacts

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Armed conflicts and their consequences

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Immigration / population migration

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Everything starts with people