

Climate Change in the Irish Mind

Wave 1: Demographic Summary



Appendix A: Wave 1 Results Broken Down by Gender, Age, Education Level, and Area of Residence

	All Respondents	Gender		Age				Education					Area			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+	Primary	Secondary	Certificate	University	Post-Graduate	City	Large Town	Small Town	Rural Area
Q1: How much do you know about climate change? Would you say you...?																
• Have never heard of it (%)	1	0	1	2	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1
• Know a little about it (%)	24	21	27	26	25	24	21	43	33	27	21	14	20	22	29	25
• Know a moderate amount about it (%)	54	53	54	53	54	53	54	36	51	55	56	56	54	57	53	52
• Know a lot about it (%)	22	26	18	20	21	23	24	21	15	17	22	29	25	20	16	23
Q2: Do you think climate change is happening?																
• Yes (%)	96	96	97	96	95	96	98	93	94	96	97	98	97	96	96	96
• No (%)	2	3	2	2	3	2	1	3	4	3	2	1	3	2	2	2
• Don't know (%)	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	4	2	2	1	1	1	2	2	2
Q3: Assuming climate change is happening, do you think it is...?																
• Caused mostly by human activities (%)	60	60	60	65	62	58	53	46	53	55	60	69	65	63	57	55
• Caused mostly by natural changes in the environment (%)	5	6	4	4	5	5	7	12	7	7	4	3	4	5	7	5
• Caused about equally by human activities and natural changes (%)	33	31	35	29	31	34	39	36	37	34	34	27	30	30	33	37
• Something else (%)	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	4	1	2	1	1	0	1	2	2
• None of the above because climate change is not happening (%)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	0	1	1	1	1
Q8: To the best of your knowledge, which one of the following sectors is Ireland's largest source of the pollution that causes climate change? If you're not sure, please provide your best guess.																
• Agriculture (%)	33	35	30	31	34	34	30	20	27	27	34	41	37	33	27	32
• Transport (%)	23	24	21	21	22	23	27	33	25	25	20	21	20	21	23	26
• Energy industries, including power generation and oil and gas refining (%)	22	21	24	26	21	21	21	21	25	24	23	20	22	23	23	22
• Residential household and water heating (%)	6	6	6	5	7	6	5	6	5	5	6	6	5	6	7	5
• Waste such as landfills, incinerators, and composting (%)	16	13	19	18	15	15	16	19	18	17	16	12	15	16	19	15
• Not applicable because climate change is not happening (%)	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1

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Q7: Which of the following statements comes closest to your own view?																
• Most scientists think climate change is happening (%)	82	83	81	82	82	82	82	75	78	77	83	89	86	82	79	81
• There is a lot of disagreement among scientists about whether or not climate change is happening (%)	12	12	12	11	11	13	13	15	14	15	12	8	9	11	14	13
• Most scientists think climate change is not happening (%)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
• Don't know enough to say (%)	5	4	6	6	6	3	4	7	7	6	4	2	4	5	6	5
Q10: How worried are you about climate change?																
• Very worried (%)	37	33	41	45	36	34	35	34	29	30	41	45	44	39	34	33
• Somewhat worried (%)	48	49	47	41	49	51	48	47	50	53	47	45	44	48	49	51
• Not very worried (%)	10	12	9	10	9	10	12	13	14	12	8	7	8	8	13	11
• Not at all worried (%)	5	7	3	4	5	5	5	5	7	6	4	3	3	5	5	5
Q13: When do you think climate change will start to harm people in Ireland?																
• They are being harmed now (%)	47	43	52	39	48	53	47	45	44	42	48	55	49	49	46	47
• In 10 years (%)	22	21	23	30	19	19	23	17	24	24	22	20	24	21	22	21
• In 25 years (%)	16	17	15	16	16	14	19	23	14	18	17	15	15	17	15	17
• In 50 years (%)	9	11	6	9	10	8	7	6	10	10	8	7	7	9	9	9
• In 100 years (%)	4	4	3	4	4	3	2	6	5	3	3	2	3	2	5	4
• Never (%)	2	3	1	1	2	3	3	3	2	3	2	1	2	2	3	2
Q12: How much do you think climate change will harm...?																
Q12-1: You personally																
• A great deal (%)	16	14	18	22	17	14	12	14	14	13	18	18	19	16	18	13
• A moderate amount (%)	46	44	48	47	48	49	39	42	45	45	47	50	49	47	44	46
• Only a little (%)	28	30	27	25	27	27	36	26	29	32	28	26	24	29	27	32
• Not at all (%)	9	11	7	6	8	9	13	18	13	9	7	6	7	8	11	9
Q12-2: Your family																
• A great deal (%)	33	30	34	25	31	37	38	35	26	30	35	35	35	32	33	31
• A moderate amount (%)	43	42	45	45	45	42	41	38	44	42	43	47	45	47	40	43
• Only a little (%)	18	20	16	23	18	14	16	12	21	22	16	14	15	16	19	20
• Not at all (%)	6	7	5	6	6	7	5	15	8	6	5	4	5	5	9	6
Q12-3: People in your community																
• A great deal (%)	27	24	29	26	25	28	29	26	22	24	29	29	29	28	27	23
• A moderate amount (%)	49	48	49	50	49	49	47	43	49	48	48	51	50	48	45	50
• Only a little (%)	19	21	18	20	20	17	20	20	22	22	19	16	16	19	21	21
• Not at all (%)	5	6	4	5	6	6	4	11	7	6	5	3	4	4	7	5

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Q12-4: People in Ireland																
• A great deal (%)	33	31	35	36	30	34	34	34	30	31	34	35	36	33	35	30
• A moderate amount (%)	49	48	50	45	50	49	50	41	50	47	48	51	51	51	45	49
• Only a little (%)	15	16	13	16	16	13	13	17	17	17	15	12	10	14	16	18
• Not at all (%)	4	5	2	3	4	4	3	8	4	5	3	3	3	2	5	4
Q12-5: People in developing countries																
• A great deal (%)	81	80	83	83	80	80	85	86	79	77	84	85	85	80	78	83
• A moderate amount (%)	13	13	12	11	14	13	11	8	14	16	11	11	10	14	13	12
• Only a little (%)	3	4	3	2	4	4	3	4	4	4	3	2	3	3	5	3
• Not at all (%)	3	3	2	3	3	3	2	3	3	3	2	2	2	3	4	2
Q12-6: Future generations																
• A great deal (%)	85	82	87	88	83	84	85	81	80	82	87	89	88	86	80	85
• A moderate amount (%)	11	12	10	8	12	11	11	10	13	13	9	9	8	11	13	11
• Only a little (%)	3	3	2	2	3	3	3	6	4	3	2	1	2	2	5	2
• Not at all (%)	2	3	1	1	2	2	1	2	3	3	2	1	2	1	2	2
Q12-7: Plant and animal species																
• A great deal (%)	77	74	79	84	77	74	72	66	69	69	81	83	83	77	73	74
• A moderate amount (%)	17	18	16	12	18	19	20	22	22	23	15	13	13	17	20	19
• Only a little (%)	4	4	3	2	3	5	6	7	6	4	3	2	3	4	5	4
• Not at all (%)	2	3	1	2	2	3	3	4	3	3	2	1	2	2	3	3
Q12-8: The Irish way of life																
• A great deal (%)	31	29	34	33	30	32	31	34	30	31	32	32	31	34	31	29
• A moderate amount (%)	41	40	43	39	42	41	41	32	40	41	43	41	43	39	41	42
• Only a little (%)	16	19	14	16	17	15	17	24	19	15	14	16	15	16	16	17
• Not at all (%)	11	13	9	12	11	12	11	10	11	13	11	11	11	11	12	12
Q12-9: Irish historic sites																
• A great deal (%)	25	23	27	32	24	23	22	27	24	23	26	24	28	25	28	21
• A moderate amount (%)	41	39	43	38	42	40	41	32	40	41	41	43	42	42	37	41
• Only a little (%)	20	22	19	17	21	20	21	24	23	19	20	20	19	19	20	22
• Not at all (%)	14	17	11	12	13	16	15	17	14	18	13	13	12	13	14	16
Q36: How often do you discuss climate change with your family and friends?																
• Never (%)	8	9	7	8	9	6	7	14	12	10	6	4	6	7	10	8
• Rarely (%)	20	22	18	24	19	17	20	29	24	22	18	14	16	19	23	20
• Occasionally (%)	44	43	44	42	44	44	44	34	43	45	45	44	47	45	40	43
• Often (%)	29	26	32	26	28	33	28	24	21	23	31	37	31	29	27	29

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Q37: About how often do you hear about climate change in the media, such as TV, movies, radio, newspapers, magazines, online, etc.?																
• Never (%)	3	3	3	3	3	2	3	9	4	3	2	1	3	4	3	2
• Once a year or less often (%)	4	3	5	8	4	3	3	3	6	5	4	3	4	4	6	4
• Several times a year (%)	17	15	19	20	17	14	16	21	21	20	15	15	15	18	20	16
• At least once a month (%)	22	20	23	24	23	19	19	21	21	20	24	21	23	23	20	21
• At least once a week (%)	51	56	47	41	50	59	56	37	45	48	53	57	53	49	46	54
• Not sure (%)	3	2	3	4	3	3	3	9	3	3	2	2	3	2	4	2
Q11: How important is the issue of climate change to you personally?																
• Extremely important (%)	22	19	24	24	21	20	20	20	15	18	24	27	28	21	20	18
• Very important (%)	40	39	40	39	37	43	41	41	39	38	39	42	40	43	37	40
• Somewhat important (%)	30	30	29	28	31	28	30	25	34	31	29	25	26	28	31	32
• Not too important (%)	7	8	6	7	8	6	6	9	10	8	6	4	5	6	9	7
• Not at all important (%)	2	3	1	1	2	3	3	5	3	4	1	2	2	2	3	2
Q43: How much do you trust or distrust the following as a source of information about climate change?																
Q43-1: Family and friends																
• Strongly distrust (%)	4	5	4	4	5	4	4	5	5	4	3	4	2	5	3	5
• Somewhat distrust (%)	11	12	10	13	12	9	7	8	12	8	11	11	13	12	9	10
• Somewhat trust (%)	60	58	62	65	61	58	56	39	56	62	61	64	64	57	60	59
• Strongly trust (%)	25	26	25	19	22	30	34	48	27	26	24	21	22	26	28	26
Q43-2: Environmental non-governmental organisations (NGOs)																
• Strongly distrust (%)	6	8	4	3	6	7	7	10	9	6	5	4	3	6	6	8
• Somewhat distrust (%)	11	12	9	7	10	11	15	16	14	11	10	8	10	9	11	12
• Somewhat trust (%)	48	48	49	48	50	50	45	48	49	50	47	50	50	47	50	48
• Strongly trust (%)	35	32	38	42	34	32	33	25	29	33	37	37	38	38	33	32
Q43-3: Corporations/businesses																
• Strongly distrust (%)	29	32	26	28	29	31	27	35	27	25	29	30	28	29	28	30
• Somewhat distrust (%)	39	38	39	39	39	36	41	37	39	39	38	41	43	38	39	37
• Somewhat trust (%)	28	25	31	29	28	29	28	25	28	31	30	26	26	29	28	29
• Strongly trust (%)	4	5	4	4	4	4	4	3	7	4	3	3	3	4	5	4
Q43-4: Religious leaders																
• Strongly distrust (%)	34	35	32	35	38	33	24	36	31	31	35	35	33	37	33	33
• Somewhat distrust (%)	29	29	29	33	30	27	26	17	29	30	29	31	31	27	28	30
• Somewhat trust (%)	30	28	31	28	26	32	37	35	32	30	29	28	29	31	30	30
• Strongly trust (%)	7	8	7	4	6	8	13	13	8	9	7	5	7	5	9	8
Q43-5: Scientists																
• Strongly distrust (%)	2	3	1	2	2	2	2	6	3	2	2	1	1	3	2	2
• Somewhat distrust (%)	4	5	4	3	4	5	6	7	5	5	4	3	4	4	5	4
• Somewhat trust (%)	28	27	29	27	27	30	30	35	29	33	27	23	26	26	32	29
• Strongly trust (%)	66	65	67	69	67	63	62	52	63	60	67	73	69	67	61	65

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Q43-6: The mainstream news media																
• Strongly distrust (%)	11	13	9	11	14	8	7	15	10	11	11	10	9	12	12	10
• Somewhat distrust (%)	20	20	19	23	19	19	20	23	23	20	19	19	21	18	22	19
• Somewhat trust (%)	50	47	53	52	51	49	49	48	48	52	51	51	51	48	49	51
• Strongly trust (%)	19	20	18	14	16	23	25	14	20	17	20	20	19	21	17	19
Q43-7: Television weather reporters																
• Strongly distrust (%)	6	7	5	5	7	5	4	7	7	7	6	4	4	6	7	6
• Somewhat distrust (%)	11	11	11	13	12	9	8	9	12	9	11	11	12	11	12	10
• Somewhat trust (%)	51	49	52	55	53	49	45	46	52	50	50	51	54	48	51	50
• Strongly trust (%)	32	34	32	27	28	36	43	39	29	33	34	33	29	35	30	35
Q43-8: Political leaders																
• Strongly distrust (%)	24	25	23	21	25	27	22	33	28	24	23	20	21	24	23	26
• Somewhat distrust (%)	32	31	33	36	34	29	30	25	32	34	31	33	36	30	31	31
• Somewhat trust (%)	38	37	39	38	36	38	41	36	34	36	40	42	37	41	39	37
• Strongly trust (%)	6	6	5	5	5	7	7	6	7	6	5	5	6	5	7	6
Q43-9: Community leaders																
• Strongly distrust (%)	8	9	6	5	8	9	8	12	8	7	8	7	7	8	8	8
• Somewhat distrust (%)	20	21	18	18	20	20	19	15	23	18	18	21	21	18	18	21
• Somewhat trust (%)	58	55	62	64	58	56	57	57	54	63	60	60	59	61	59	57
• Strongly trust (%)	14	15	14	14	13	14	16	17	16	11	15	13	13	13	15	15
Q43-10: Online influencers, celebrities, or media personalities																
• Strongly distrust (%)	44	47	41	32	45	48	49	50	41	36	45	47	40	44	41	48
• Somewhat distrust (%)	32	31	34	39	32	30	31	29	32	35	33	33	37	33	30	31
• Somewhat trust (%)	21	19	22	27	20	19	17	18	23	25	19	18	20	21	25	18
• Strongly trust (%)	3	4	3	3	3	3	3	4	5	4	3	1	3	2	4	3
Q43-11: Educators																
• Strongly distrust (%)	3	5	2	1	3	5	4	10	4	4	3	3	2	4	4	4
• Somewhat distrust (%)	8	9	7	6	9	7	9	11	11	11	7	6	7	7	10	9
• Somewhat trust (%)	51	48	53	54	51	50	47	46	49	51	51	51	55	50	49	49
• Strongly trust (%)	38	38	38	38	37	37	40	34	36	34	39	40	36	40	38	38
Q43-12: Journalists																
• Strongly distrust (%)	11	12	9	8	12	11	11	14	11	13	11	7	7	11	10	13
• Somewhat distrust (%)	24	25	23	23	23	23	27	35	29	23	22	22	26	21	24	24
• Somewhat trust (%)	52	49	56	56	53	52	48	36	47	52	53	57	52	53	54	51
• Strongly trust (%)	13	15	12	14	12	14	14	15	13	12	14	13	15	15	12	12

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Q43-13: The Irish Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)																
• Strongly distrust (%)	4	5	3	2	5	6	3	5	5	5	4	3	3	5	5	4
• Somewhat distrust (%)	7	9	5	5	7	7	10	10	10	8	6	7	6	6	8	8
• Somewhat trust (%)	46	43	48	47	47	44	44	51	49	49	45	43	47	42	49	45
• Strongly trust (%)	43	43	43	46	41	44	42	34	36	39	46	47	44	47	37	42
Q41: Which of the following statements best reflects your view?																
• Climate change is affecting weather in Ireland (%)	88	87	90	88	88	88	89	81	86	86	90	92	90	89	86	89
• Climate change is not affecting weather in Ireland (%)	5	7	4	5	5	6	5	6	6	8	5	4	5	5	8	5
• Climate change isn't happening (%)	1	1	1	1	2	1	0	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
• Don't know (%)	5	5	4	5	5	4	5	11	6	4	4	4	4	5	5	5
Q16: In your opinion, over the next 10 years, how much risk does extreme weather pose to your community?																
• High risk (%)	23	23	24	26	22	24	23	23	23	17	25	26	26	25	24	20
• Moderate risk (%)	52	49	55	50	53	51	54	55	50	55	52	53	50	51	52	54
• Low risk (%)	20	22	18	20	21	21	19	14	22	21	20	18	19	20	19	22
• No risk (%)	4	6	3	5	4	4	4	8	5	6	3	4	4	4	5	4
Q15: How worried are you that the following might harm your local area?																
Q15-1: Extreme heat																
• Very worried (%)	16	13	18	18	11	18	21	30	17	13	17	13	17	16	15	15
• Somewhat worried (%)	29	28	30	29	30	28	27	25	29	28	30	29	29	29	29	29
• Not very worried (%)	29	29	29	30	30	29	24	17	31	30	27	31	29	29	27	30
• Not at all worried (%)	27	30	23	23	29	25	28	28	23	29	27	27	25	26	28	27
Q15-2: Flooding																
• Very worried (%)	23	20	26	23	21	25	24	36	23	20	25	20	25	22	23	22
• Somewhat worried (%)	34	32	35	36	36	32	28	21	32	33	34	38	35	35	33	33
• Not very worried (%)	24	25	22	25	23	23	23	19	26	24	23	23	22	25	24	24
• Not at all worried (%)	20	22	17	16	20	19	25	24	20	22	19	19	19	18	21	21
Q15-3: Wildfires																
• Very worried (%)	16	13	19	15	11	18	22	24	16	14	17	14	14	14	16	17
• Somewhat worried (%)	25	23	27	22	26	25	25	23	26	26	24	25	22	24	24	28
• Not very worried (%)	29	30	28	34	29	27	27	27	30	30	28	29	29	31	30	28
• Not at all worried (%)	30	34	27	29	33	29	27	25	28	29	31	32	34	31	30	27
Q15-4: Droughts																
• Very worried (%)	16	13	19	15	12	20	20	23	15	15	17	14	15	15	16	16
• Somewhat worried (%)	30	29	31	25	32	31	29	27	29	29	29	32	32	30	28	30
• Not very worried (%)	28	29	27	31	28	27	26	22	30	29	28	28	30	27	29	27
• Not at all worried (%)	26	29	24	29	27	23	25	27	25	27	26	26	23	28	28	27

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Q15-5: Water shortages																
• Very worried (%)	23	20	26	19	21	26	29	41	23	20	24	21	25	23	24	21
• Somewhat worried (%)	38	36	40	36	41	39	32	22	37	37	37	44	40	41	36	36
• Not very worried (%)	22	23	20	28	20	19	21	12	22	22	21	21	21	20	24	21
• Not at all worried (%)	18	21	14	17	18	16	19	25	17	20	17	14	14	16	16	22
Q15-6: Rising sea levels																
• Very worried (%)	27	23	31	31	24	27	30	40	26	24	30	26	32	26	26	25
• Somewhat worried (%)	35	34	36	34	38	32	35	25	33	35	35	38	35	36	36	34
• Not very worried (%)	20	22	17	19	20	21	18	17	22	22	17	19	19	20	21	19
• Not at all worried (%)	18	21	15	16	19	20	17	18	19	19	18	16	14	18	18	21
Q15-7: Agricultural pests and diseases																
• Very worried (%)	19	18	21	19	16	23	23	30	20	18	21	17	17	19	19	21
• Somewhat worried (%)	37	36	39	38	38	37	35	32	39	37	36	38	33	36	37	41
• Not very worried (%)	25	26	22	26	25	23	23	18	25	26	23	25	27	26	28	20
• Not at all worried (%)	19	20	18	17	21	18	19	19	15	19	20	20	23	19	16	18
Q15-8: Severe storms																
• Very worried (%)	26	23	28	22	21	28	35	43	27	26	26	23	24	22	25	29
• Somewhat worried (%)	38	38	39	36	39	41	38	23	37	34	39	44	40	38	37	40
• Not very worried (%)	22	23	21	25	25	20	16	19	24	24	22	21	23	25	24	19
• Not at all worried (%)	14	15	12	18	15	11	11	15	12	16	14	12	14	15	14	13
Q15-9: Invasive species																
• Very worried (%)	19	18	20	16	15	23	24	23	19	19	21	16	15	18	19	22
• Somewhat worried (%)	34	33	34	30	34	35	36	30	31	36	33	38	34	33	32	35
• Not very worried (%)	27	27	27	33	29	24	20	22	29	26	26	26	30	26	28	24
• Not at all worried (%)	21	22	19	22	22	18	20	25	21	20	20	20	21	22	20	19
Q15-10: Bog bursts/landslides																
• Very worried (%)	9	7	10	8	7	10	10	17	9	7	9	7	8	7	8	9
• Somewhat worried (%)	18	16	21	19	19	16	18	19	19	18	19	17	16	17	18	20
• Not very worried (%)	37	38	36	42	35	37	34	28	38	40	36	38	36	37	40	36
• Not at all worried (%)	37	40	34	32	39	37	37	36	34	35	36	38	39	38	33	35
Q15-11: Air pollution																
• Very worried (%)	30	26	34	32	27	33	32	39	28	26	33	29	36	32	33	23
• Somewhat worried (%)	40	40	39	40	42	38	37	34	42	40	38	44	41	44	37	38
• Not very worried (%)	18	20	17	18	19	16	19	15	19	21	18	18	15	15	18	23
• Not at all worried (%)	12	14	10	10	12	13	12	13	12	13	11	10	7	10	12	16

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Q15-12: Water pollution																
• Very worried (%)	40	35	45	41	38	43	42	53	38	38	43	39	40	42	41	39
• Somewhat worried (%)	41	44	39	38	44	41	38	28	40	43	40	43	43	40	39	42
• Not very worried (%)	12	12	11	14	11	10	12	8	13	11	10	12	12	11	13	11
• Not at all worried (%)	7	9	5	7	7	6	8	11	9	7	6	6	6	7	6	8
Q17: Do you think climate change should be a very high, high, medium, or low priority for the Government of Ireland?																
• Very high (%)	42	40	44	43	43	41	40	43	36	36	43	49	49	44	39	37
• High (%)	37	38	37	40	35	39	39	41	42	37	36	37	34	37	37	40
• Medium (%)	15	16	15	14	16	13	18	12	16	21	15	10	12	14	18	17
• Low (%)	5	7	4	3	6	7	4	4	6	6	6	4	5	4	6	5
Q24B: How much do you support or oppose the following policies to help Ireland achieve its greenhouse gas reduction targets?																
Q24B-1: Banning peat, coal, and oil for home heating purposes																
• Strongly support (%)	34	34	34	31	36	33	32	39	28	26	34	41	38	38	35	28
• Somewhat support (%)	34	32	35	38	34	33	32	29	34	31	36	35	37	33	36	31
• Somewhat oppose (%)	19	19	20	21	18	19	20	17	25	24	17	16	16	18	17	24
• Strongly oppose (%)	13	15	11	9	12	15	15	15	14	19	13	8	9	12	12	17
Q24B-2: Government grants to encourage residential and commercial building owners to install cleaner and more efficient heating systems																
• Strongly support (%)	76	76	77	76	76	79	74	75	72	72	78	80	78	77	74	76
• Somewhat support (%)	20	20	20	21	21	18	21	22	23	23	19	18	19	19	21	20
• Somewhat oppose (%)	2	3	3	1	2	3	3	1	4	4	2	2	2	2	3	3
• Strongly oppose (%)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Q24B-3: Government grants to make electric vehicles more affordable																
• Strongly support (%)	70	70	71	74	70	71	68	65	68	67	70	74	73	71	69	68
• Somewhat support (%)	22	20	23	21	22	21	23	26	22	22	23	20	21	21	22	23
• Somewhat oppose (%)	4	5	3	3	5	4	5	2	6	6	4	3	4	5	5	4
• Strongly oppose (%)	3	4	3	2	3	4	4	7	4	4	3	3	2	3	3	5
Q24B-4: Higher taxes on cars that use petrol and diesel																
• Strongly support (%)	32	32	32	34	31	30	33	30	27	26	32	40	41	35	28	26
• Somewhat support (%)	32	30	33	32	33	29	30	26	29	29	33	34	32	33	30	31
• Somewhat oppose (%)	18	18	18	20	18	18	17	13	23	22	18	14	14	17	21	20
• Strongly oppose (%)	18	20	17	14	17	23	19	31	22	23	17	11	12	16	20	23
Q24B-5: Increased Government investment in public transport such as trains instead of motorways																
• Strongly support (%)	68	67	70	73	68	67	67	63	63	59	70	75	71	72	66	66
• Somewhat support (%)	24	23	24	22	24	24	25	27	27	31	22	20	24	22	27	25
• Somewhat oppose (%)	5	6	4	4	5	7	5	3	7	5	6	2	4	5	4	7
• Strongly oppose (%)	3	3	2	1	3	3	3	6	3	4	2	2	2	2	3	3

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Q24C: To help address climate change, taxes on fossil fuels will be rising in Ireland over the next 10 years. How much do you support or oppose using the revenues from these taxes for each of the following purposes?																
Q24C-1: Returning the money to all Irish households in equal amounts																
• Strongly support (%)	35	34	36	38	35	32	36	46	40	37	33	31	33	35	39	34
• Somewhat support (%)	27	26	28	32	27	25	27	24	29	29	27	24	25	26	33	26
• Somewhat oppose (%)	19	19	18	18	19	19	20	14	15	21	19	23	21	21	15	19
• Strongly oppose (%)	19	20	17	12	20	23	17	17	16	13	21	22	21	18	14	21
Q24C-2: Assisting workers in the fossil fuel industry who may lose their jobs																
• Strongly support (%)	60	58	61	60	59	59	62	52	58	55	62	61	64	61	56	58
• Somewhat support (%)	30	30	29	30	31	28	30	38	31	33	28	30	27	31	33	30
• Somewhat oppose (%)	6	7	6	8	6	8	5	5	7	8	7	6	6	5	7	7
• Strongly oppose (%)	4	5	3	2	4	5	4	5	4	5	4	3	3	3	4	5
Q24C-3: Helping pay for energy efficiency improvements in low-income households																
• Strongly support (%)	69	70	70	70	69	69	72	76	65	66	71	72	72	72	68	68
• Somewhat support (%)	25	24	25	26	26	24	23	22	27	27	23	25	24	23	27	25
• Somewhat oppose (%)	3	4	3	2	3	4	4	2	5	4	3	2	3	3	3	4
• Strongly oppose (%)	2	2	2	2	2	3	2	0	3	3	2	1	1	2	2	3
Q24C-4: Supporting the further development of new clean energy sources such as marine and hydrogen power																
• Strongly support (%)	73	75	72	74	74	73	71	64	68	69	74	80	78	76	70	71
• Somewhat support (%)	22	20	24	21	21	22	25	29	26	25	21	17	18	20	26	23
• Somewhat oppose (%)	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	2	4	4	3	2	3	3	2	3
• Strongly oppose (%)	2	2	2	1	2	2	2	4	3	2	2	1	1	1	2	2
Q24C-5: Funding improvements to Ireland's transport infrastructure such as rail, bus corridors, and cycling and walking paths																
• Strongly support (%)	74	74	76	75	75	73	73	75	69	68	77	79	78	77	71	73
• Somewhat support (%)	21	20	21	22	20	21	21	17	24	25	19	18	19	18	23	22
• Somewhat oppose (%)	3	3	3	2	3	4	4	2	5	5	3	2	2	4	4	3
• Strongly oppose (%)	2	3	1	1	2	2	2	6	2	2	1	1	1	2	2	2
Q24C-6: Funding programs to help Irish communities prepare for and adapt to the impacts of climate change																
• Strongly support (%)	65	64	66	66	64	64	65	69	61	61	66	67	68	65	62	64
• Somewhat support (%)	28	27	29	28	29	29	26	24	31	30	27	28	26	28	31	28
• Somewhat oppose (%)	4	5	3	3	4	4	5	6	4	5	4	4	3	4	5	4
• Strongly oppose (%)	3	4	2	2	3	3	4	1	3	4	3	2	3	3	2	4
Q24A: The Irish Government has set a renewable electricity target of 70% by 2030. New infrastructure such as pylons and substations are needed to meet this target. How much would you support or oppose building new infrastructure such as pylons or substations in YOUR local area to support the increased use of renewable energy?																
• Strongly support (%)	50	53	46	55	50	46	47	43	44	45	50	56	56	49	49	45
• Somewhat support (%)	35	32	38	36	37	33	34	34	37	38	36	32	32	36	38	36
• Somewhat oppose (%)	9	8	10	6	9	12	10	12	13	10	8	7	8	9	7	12
• Strongly oppose (%)	6	6	6	3	5	8	9	11	6	8	6	5	4	7	5	8

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Q24D: Agriculture is an important industry for Ireland and its rural economy. Agriculture is also a major source of greenhouse gas emissions, and now accounts for over one-third of Ireland's total emissions. With this in mind, how much do you support or oppose the following policies?																
Q24D-1: Reducing the size of the national cattle herd to reduce greenhouse gas emissions																
• Strongly support (%)	30	30	31	33	31	29	28	31	26	26	32	34	36	31	32	25
• Somewhat support (%)	34	32	34	36	33	33	33	29	36	30	33	34	35	36	37	29
• Somewhat oppose (%)	19	19	20	19	19	19	19	24	20	21	17	19	19	18	18	21
• Strongly oppose (%)	17	19	15	12	17	19	20	16	18	23	17	13	10	14	14	25
Q24D-2: Increasing forest areas in your locality to offset greenhouse gas emissions from agriculture																
• Strongly support (%)	69	70	69	70	70	70	67	67	64	65	71	73	73	74	69	64
• Somewhat support (%)	23	21	24	24	22	21	24	29	26	26	20	21	22	20	24	23
• Somewhat oppose (%)	4	5	4	4	4	5	5	0	6	5	5	3	3	3	4	7
• Strongly oppose (%)	3	4	3	2	4	4	4	4	3	5	4	3	2	2	3	6
Q19: Overall, do you think that taking action to reduce climate change will...?																
• Improve economic growth and provide new jobs (%)	62	60	63	65	63	61	58	56	58	57	63	66	69	62	62	57
• Reduce economic growth and cost jobs (%)	19	21	18	16	18	21	23	27	22	20	18	18	15	18	20	23
• Have no effect on economic growth or jobs (%)	19	19	19	19	19	18	19	17	20	23	18	16	17	20	18	20
Q19A: Overall, do you think that taking action to reduce climate change will...?																
• Improve Ireland's quality of life (%)	78	74	81	81	77	76	77	76	75	74	79	80	82	80	75	74
• Reduce Ireland's quality of life (%)	10	11	9	8	10	11	11	12	10	12	9	9	8	9	11	10
• Have no effect on Ireland's quality of life (%)	13	15	10	11	13	13	12	12	15	14	11	11	9	11	13	15
Q22: Do you think each of the following should be doing more or less to address climate change?																
Q22-1: You personally																
• Much more (%)	17	15	19	21	17	16	12	10	15	17	17	20	20	16	16	15
• More (%)	63	62	63	66	64	61	57	51	60	57	64	65	63	65	61	62
• Currently doing the right amount (%)	19	21	17	12	16	21	30	37	23	25	18	13	15	18	21	21
• Less (%)	1	2	1	1	2	2	0	2	2	1	1	2	1	1	2	1
• Much less (%)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Q22-2: Local government																
• Much more (%)	35	35	37	38	36	34	32	28	33	34	36	39	39	34	34	34
• More (%)	54	53	54	53	54	54	55	54	55	54	54	52	51	56	54	54
• Currently doing the right amount (%)	9	9	8	7	8	9	11	15	11	9	9	6	7	8	10	9
• Less (%)	2	2	1	1	1	2	1	3	1	1	2	1	1	1	2	2
• Much less (%)	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	2	0	1	1	1	1	0

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Q22-8: The Irish Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)																
• Much more (%)	20	19	22	20	20	22	20	14	19	20	21	22	23	22	19	19
• More (%)	52	52	52	52	52	51	53	60	53	49	51	52	51	51	54	51
• Currently doing the right amount (%)	26	26	26	27	26	24	26	21	26	29	26	24	24	25	24	28
• Less (%)	2	2	1	1	1	3	1	2	1	1	2	2	1	2	2	1
• Much less (%)	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1
Q23: Now I will read you two statements. Neither may be perfect, but please let me know which comes closer to your point of view.																
• We have a responsibility to act on climate change, and Ireland should do what it can to reduce its own greenhouse gas emissions (%)	90	87	93	93	90	90	89	86	88	89	91	94	93	91	89	88
• Ireland is too small to make a difference in climate change; we should let other countries take the lead on reducing greenhouse gas emissions (%)	9	12	7	7	10	9	11	12	12	11	9	6	6	8	11	11
• Not applicable because climate change is not happening (%)	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1
Q33: How likely would you be to do each of the following things if a person you like and respect asked you to?																
Q33-1: Write letters, email, or phone government officials and climate change																
• Definitely would not (%)	17	19	16	9	17	21	23	32	22	16	18	13	13	18	20	19
• Probably would not (%)	31	33	29	31	32	27	32	20	36	33	30	27	28	29	33	32
• Probably would (%)	37	34	39	45	36	36	30	35	32	37	37	41	41	38	34	34
• Definitely would (%)	15	14	16	15	15	16	15	14	11	14	15	19	17	15	13	15
Q33-2: Volunteer your time to an organization working on climate change																
• Definitely would not (%)	14	15	13	6	12	16	25	30	18	14	13	10	12	14	14	15
• Probably would not (%)	26	26	26	20	25	27	32	27	29	29	25	23	24	25	26	29
• Probably would (%)	44	44	44	52	46	42	33	26	41	42	45	48	47	44	45	41
• Definitely would (%)	16	14	18	22	17	15	10	17	12	15	17	19	17	17	16	15
Q33-3: Donate money to an organization working on climate change																
• Definitely would not (%)	12	14	9	5	11	16	15	20	17	13	10	9	9	12	12	14
• Probably would not (%)	19	20	17	15	19	19	22	21	22	21	18	14	16	17	18	22
• Probably would (%)	48	47	49	52	48	46	47	46	45	46	49	52	50	50	48	46
• Definitely would (%)	21	19	24	28	22	19	17	14	16	19	24	24	25	22	22	19
Q33-4: Meet with an elected official or their staff about climate change																
• Definitely would not (%)	16	17	15	12	16	18	19	28	20	16	15	11	13	16	16	18
• Probably would not (%)	30	28	32	32	30	28	30	22	33	34	29	29	27	32	33	30
• Probably would (%)	38	38	38	39	38	36	37	31	35	35	40	40	43	35	36	36
• Definitely would (%)	16	17	15	17	16	18	14	18	12	15	16	20	17	17	15	16

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Q33-5: Personally engage in non-violent civil disobedience (e.g., sit-ins, blockades, or trespassing) against corporate or government activities that make climate change worse																
• Definitely would not (%)	38	37	39	20	37	45	49	60	43	38	37	36	32	37	38	44
• Probably would not (%)	29	30	28	29	31	26	32	13	26	31	30	32	30	32	28	28
• Probably would (%)	22	22	22	34	22	19	14	21	20	21	22	23	27	21	24	18
• Definitely would (%)	10	10	11	17	10	9	5	6	11	9	11	9	11	11	10	10
Q30: How willing or unwilling are you to join a citizens' campaign to convince leaders in Ireland to take action to reduce climate change?																
• You are participating in an effort like this now (%)	3	2	3	2	3	2	3	2	1	4	3	5	3	3	2	3
• You definitely would do it (%)	16	15	17	18	17	15	12	14	12	14	17	18	20	15	16	14
• You probably would do it (%)	39	38	39	46	39	38	33	31	37	36	41	41	42	42	40	36
• You probably would not do it (%)	21	23	20	18	20	22	23	15	24	22	21	18	18	20	21	24
• You definitely would not do it (%)	12	14	10	6	11	15	17	28	15	14	11	9	9	12	13	14
• Not sure (%)	9	8	11	10	9	8	11	10	10	9	8	9	8	9	9	9
Over the last 12 months, how many times, if ever, have you...?																
Q26: Bought a good or service from a company because they have taken action to reduce climate change																
• Never (%)	43	47	39	31	38	47	60	75	55	47	39	31	37	42	45	46
• Once (%)	7	8	7	7	9	7	5	1	6	9	7	8	7	8	8	6
• A few times (%)	29	28	30	35	31	27	23	12	26	27	31	33	32	30	26	29
• Several times (%)	13	11	14	17	14	11	7	9	9	10	13	17	15	12	12	12
• Many times (%)	8	6	10	10	8	8	5	3	4	7	9	11	9	8	8	8
Q28: Punished companies that are opposing steps to reduce climate change by NOT buying their products																
• Never (%)	55	59	51	45	53	58	63	77	64	61	51	44	48	55	56	58
• Once (%)	6	6	7	7	7	6	4	4	5	5	7	7	6	9	6	5
• A few times (%)	25	22	26	31	24	22	22	14	21	24	26	28	29	23	23	24
• Several times (%)	9	9	9	10	10	8	7	2	6	5	9	14	10	9	8	8
• Many times (%)	6	4	7	7	6	5	5	3	3	5	7	7	7	5	7	5
Over the next 12 months, do you intend to...?																
Q27: Buy a good or service from a company because they have taken steps to reduce climate change																
• More frequently than you are now (%)	61	57	64	63	62	59	59	59	55	57	62	67	64	63	59	58
• Less frequently than you are now (%)	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	3	3	3	3	2	5	3
• About the same as you are now (%)	36	39	33	33	35	39	38	39	42	40	35	30	33	34	36	39

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Q25: Punish companies that are opposing steps to reduce climate change by NOT buying their products																
• More frequently than you are now (%)	56	53	59	57	55	57	56	45	51	50	58	63	61	59	53	53
• Less frequently than you are now (%)	5	6	5	5	6	5	6	5	7	7	5	5	5	5	6	6
• About the same as you are now (%)	38	40	36	37	39	38	39	50	42	43	37	32	34	36	41	41
Q25: Over the past 12 months, how often, if ever, have you chosen not to eat meat for environmental reasons?																
• Never (%)	50	59	43	47	48	54	55	61	60	57	46	42	43	49	49	58
• Rarely (%)	11	11	12	12	12	10	10	9	11	11	12	11	12	12	12	10
• Occasionally (%)	18	16	20	17	18	18	17	20	15	16	20	20	21	19	18	15
• Often (%)	18	12	23	21	19	16	13	8	11	13	19	25	22	18	17	14
• Don't know (%)	3	3	3	4	3	2	4	2	3	3	3	2	2	2	4	3

