

# Coronavirus COVID-19

**Public Opinion Tracking Research: 02/06/20** 



#### **ABOUT THE RESEARCH**

The research findings in this report are based on surveys by **Amárach Research** on behalf of the Department of Health.

The polls are conducted using Amárach's SmartPoll panel and weighted to the demographics of the adult population.

Sample size (02/06/20): n=1,900

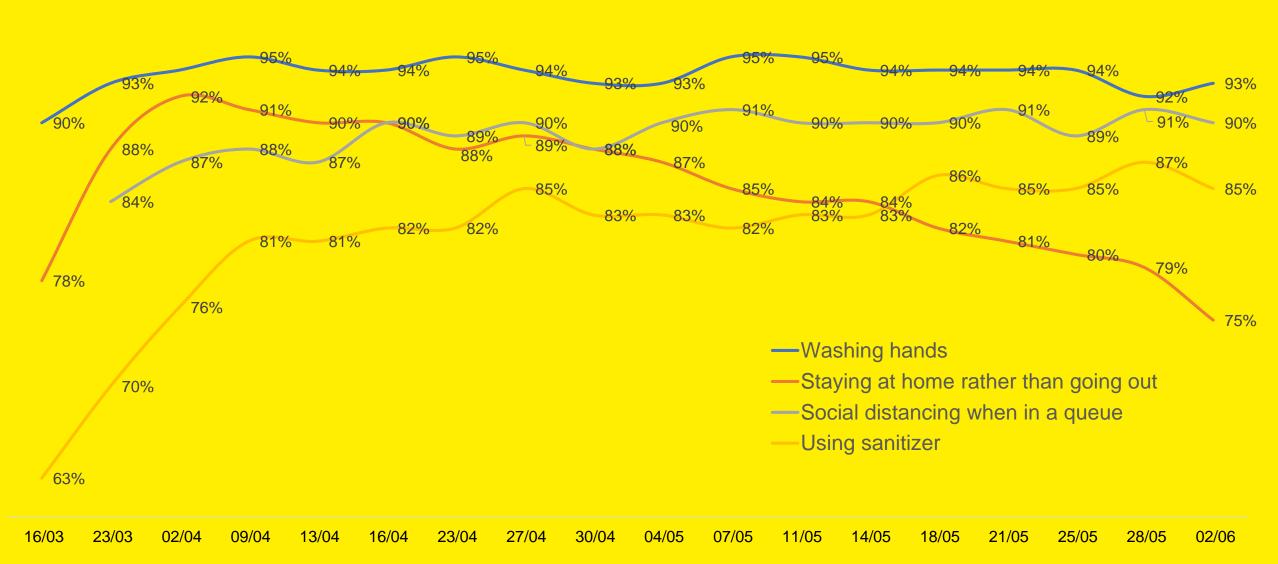


# **Behavioural Change**

#### Safe Behaviours - I



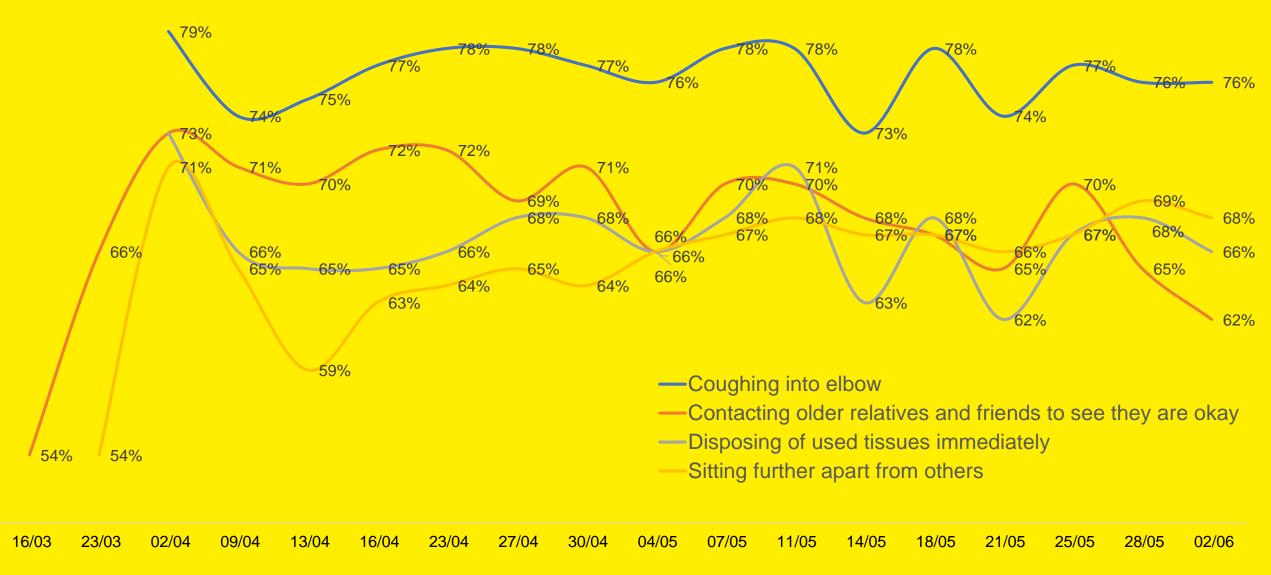
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#### Safe Behaviours - II



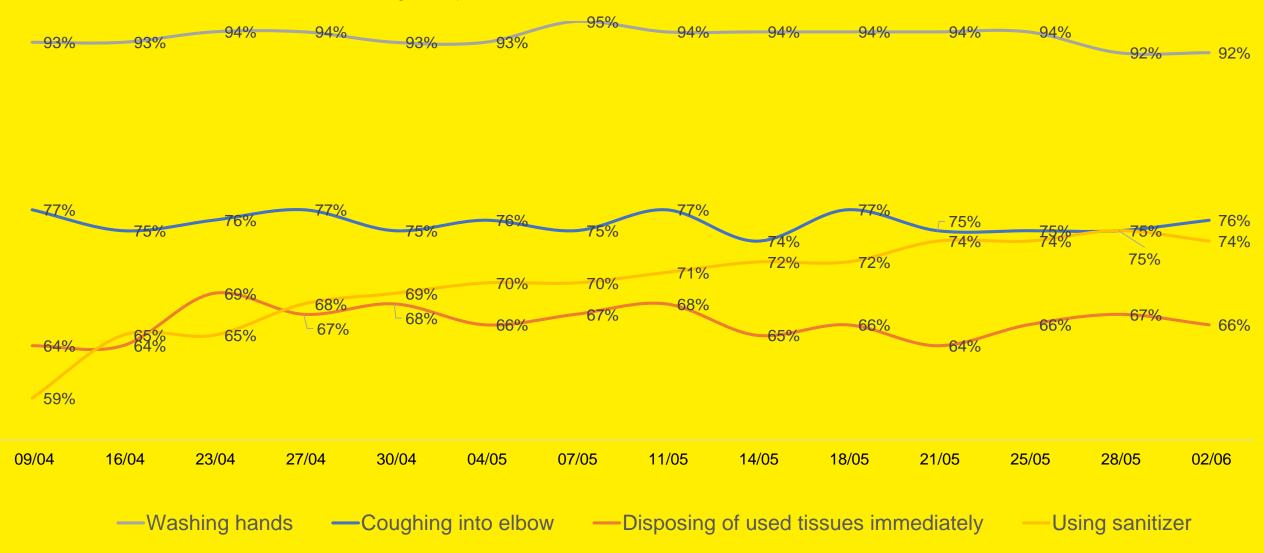
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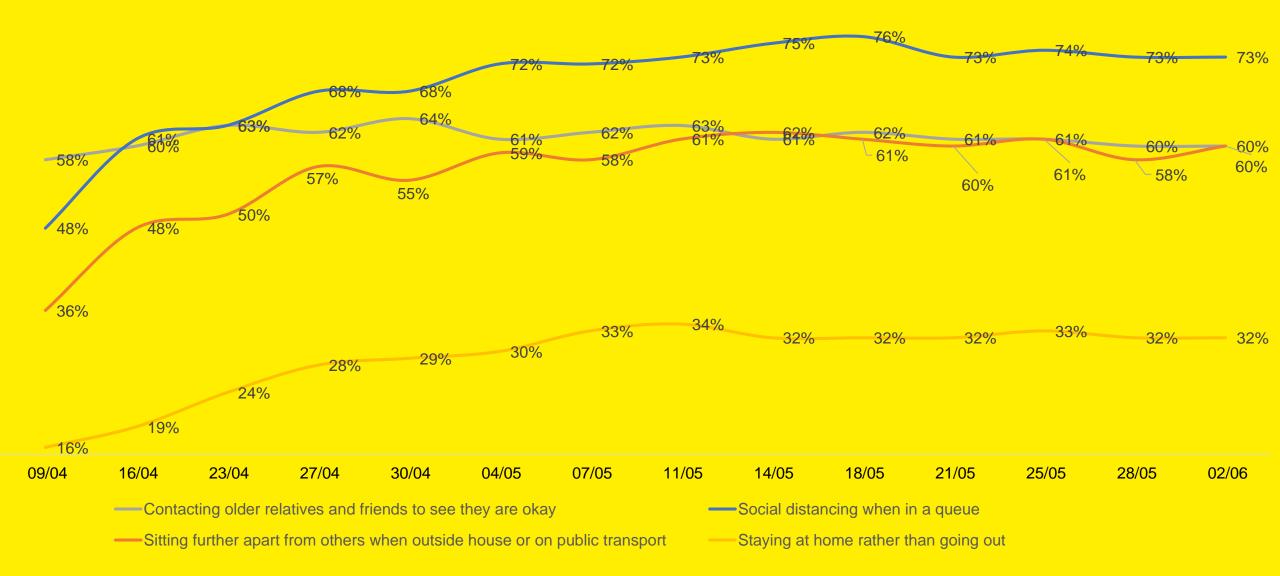
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#### Future Behaviours - II



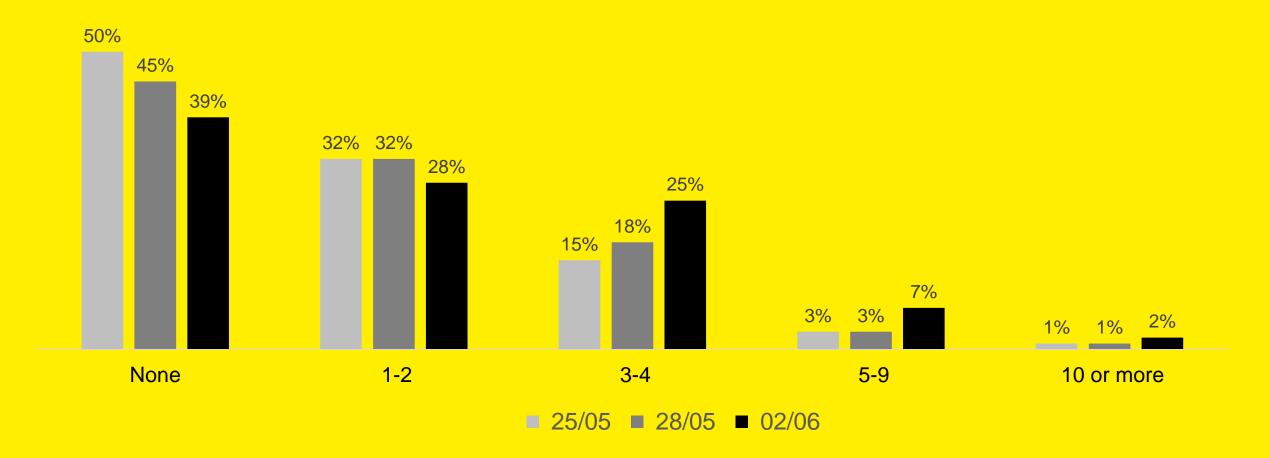
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## Meeting Up – I



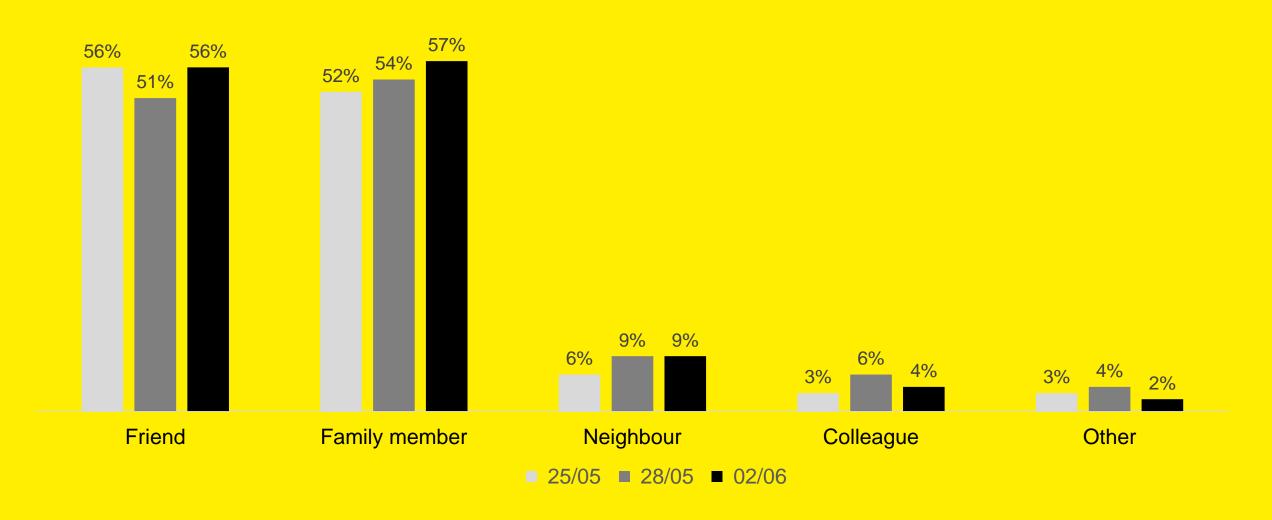
How many people did you arrange to meet in the past week whom you had not been able to meet prior to the relaxation of restrictions on 18<sup>th</sup> May? All Adults



# Meeting Up – II



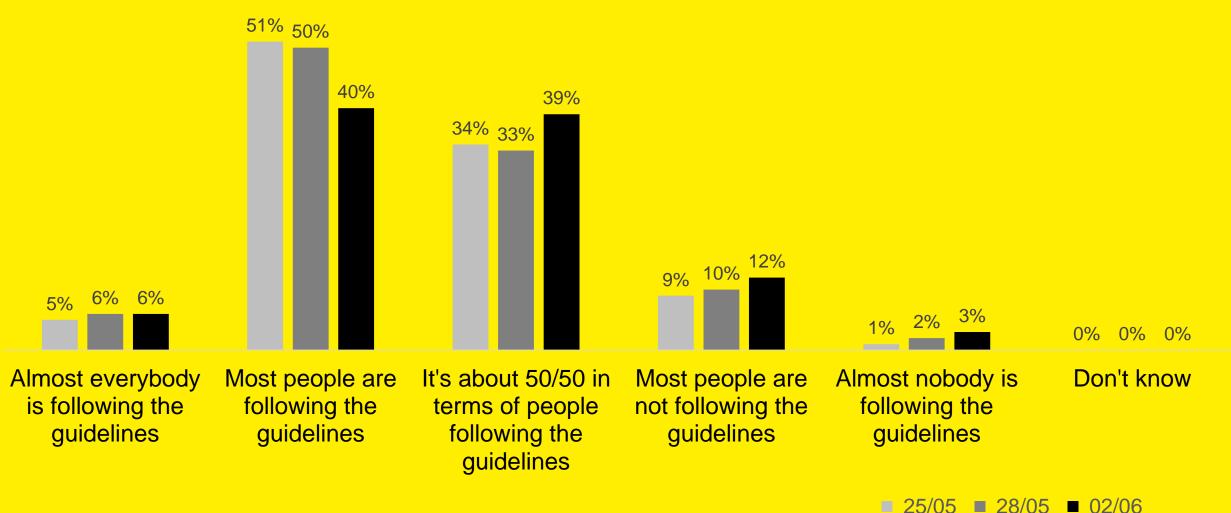
What was their relationship to you? Base: all meeting 1 or more people



## **Socially Distanced**



Which of the following best describes the extent to which you think people in general are following the social distancing guidelines?

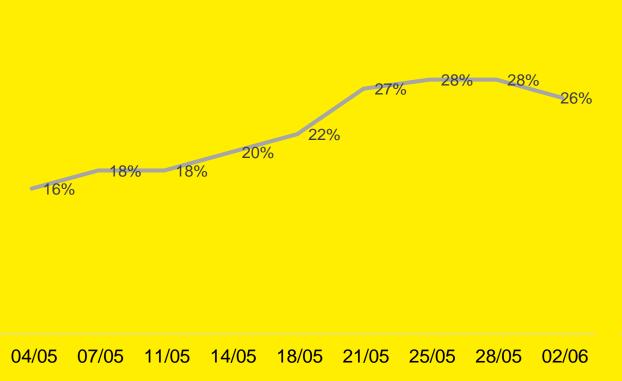


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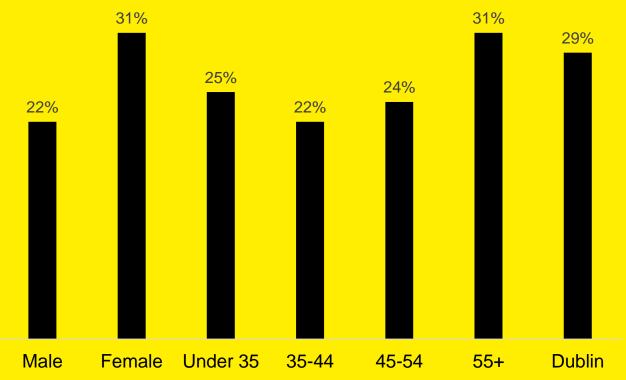
#### **Face Masks**

Do you wear a face mask when in public places? All Adults: % Yes



# Face Mask Demographics

Do you wear a face mask when in public places? % Yes



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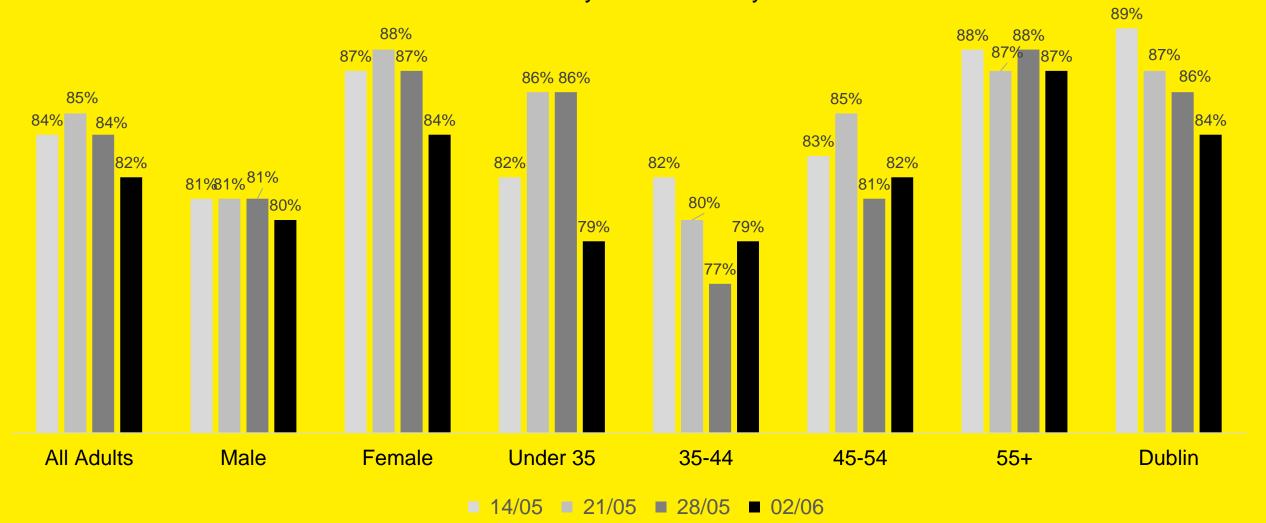
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## Willingness to Wear



Would you be willing to use a face mask or face covering?

% Yes Definitely + Yes Probably



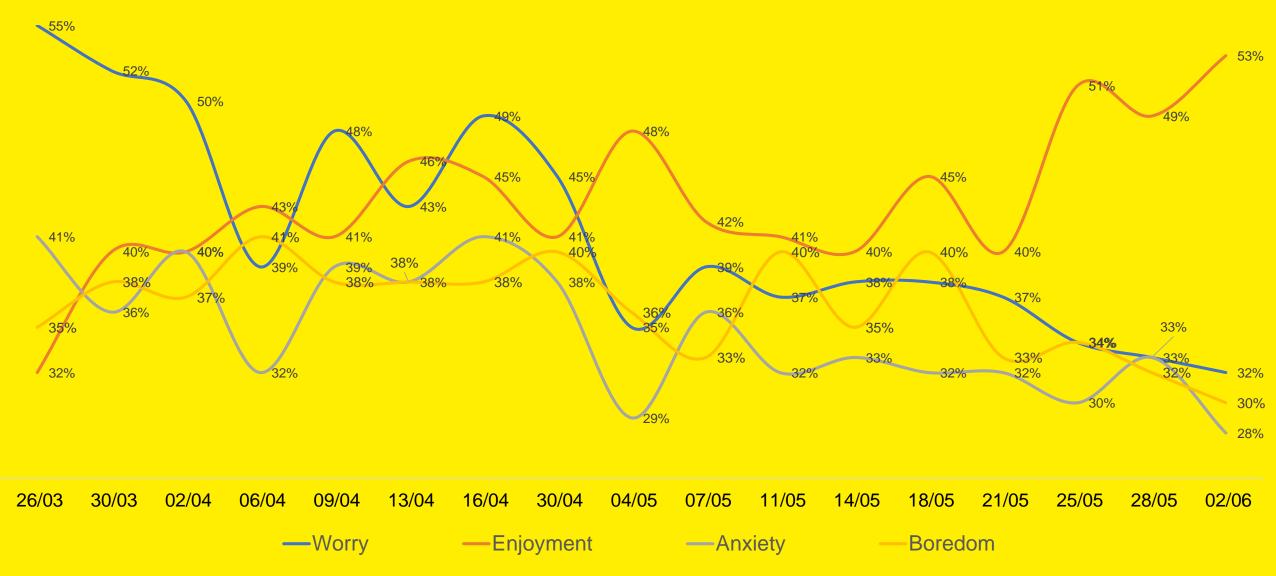


# **Emotional Wellbeing**

## Emotional Wellbeing – I



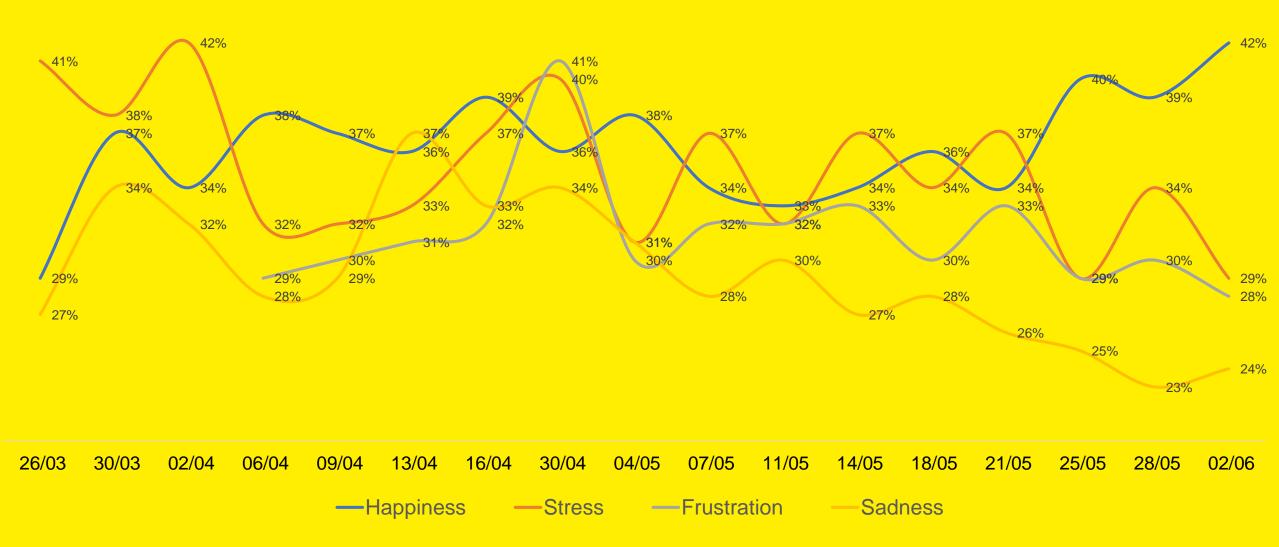
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### Emotional Wellbeing – II



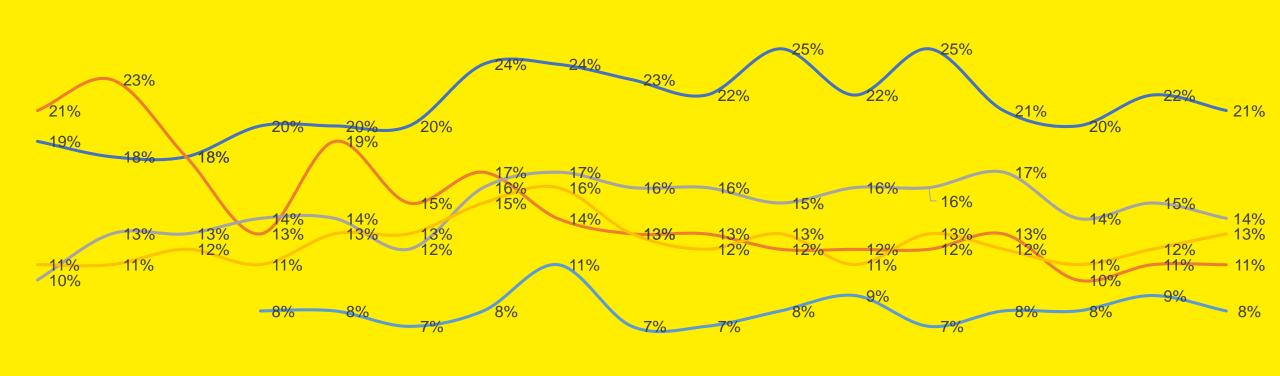
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### Emotional Wellbeing - III



Did you experience any of these feelings a lot of the day yesterday? Select all that apply:





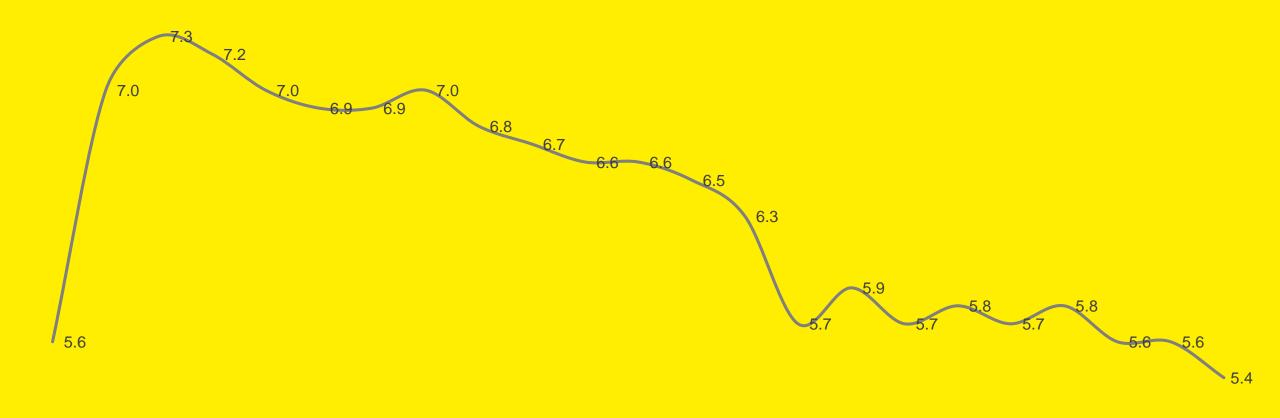


# Risk Perceptions

#### Still Worried?



How worried are you personally about the Coronavirus? On a scale of 1 to 10 where 1 is not at all worried and 10 is extremely worried: Average Score



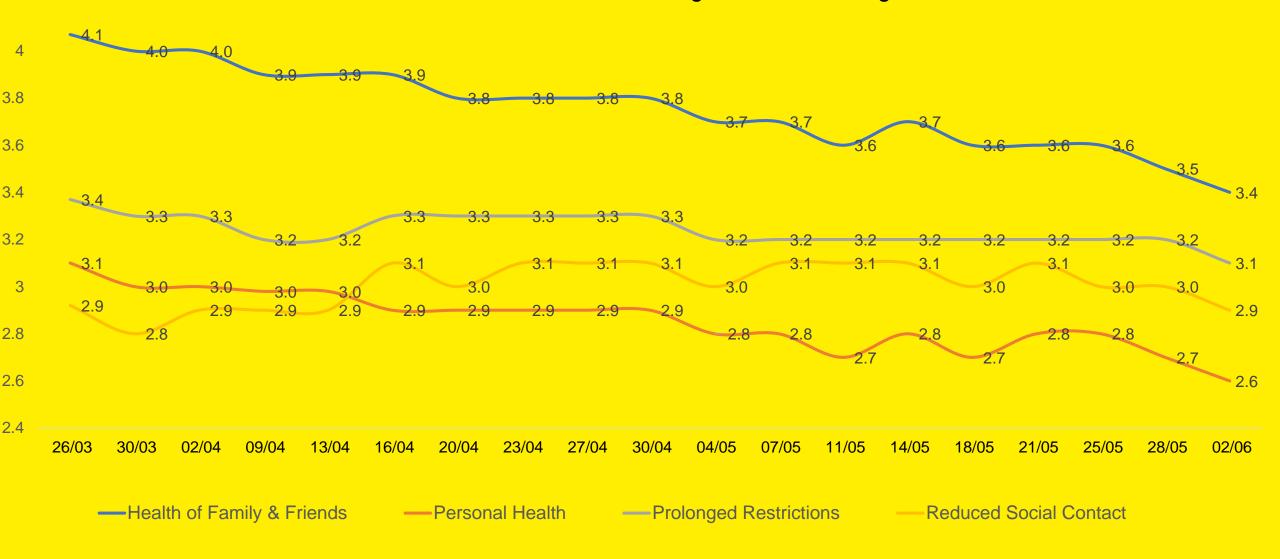
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### Sources of Worry – I



Please indicate the extent to which any of the following is a current source of worry?

On a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 is not at all and 5 is a great deal: Average Score

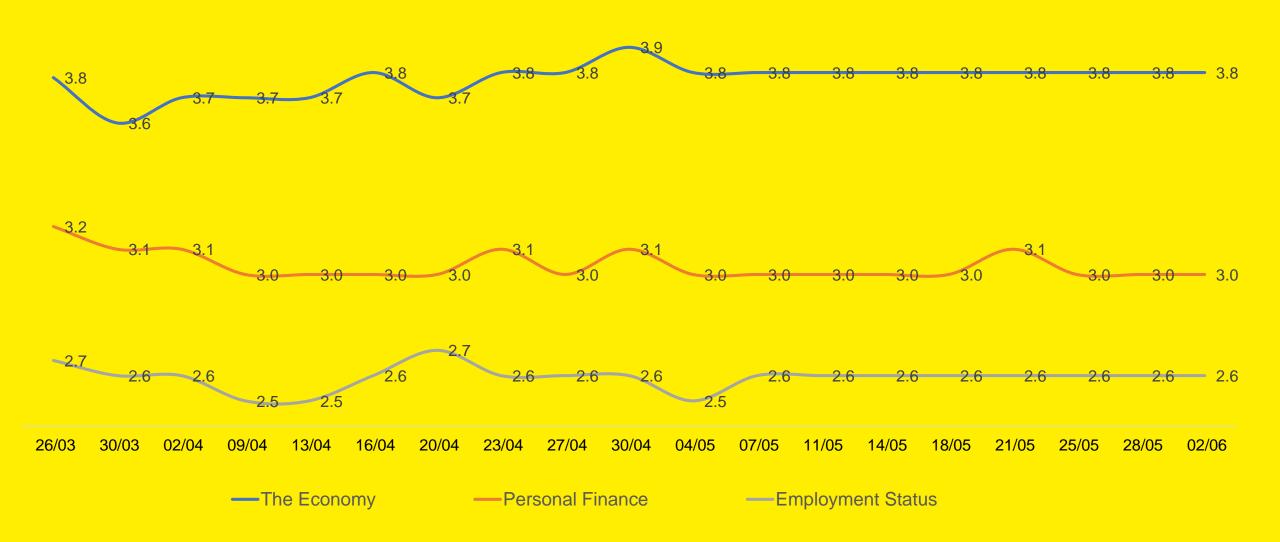


#### Sources of Worry – II



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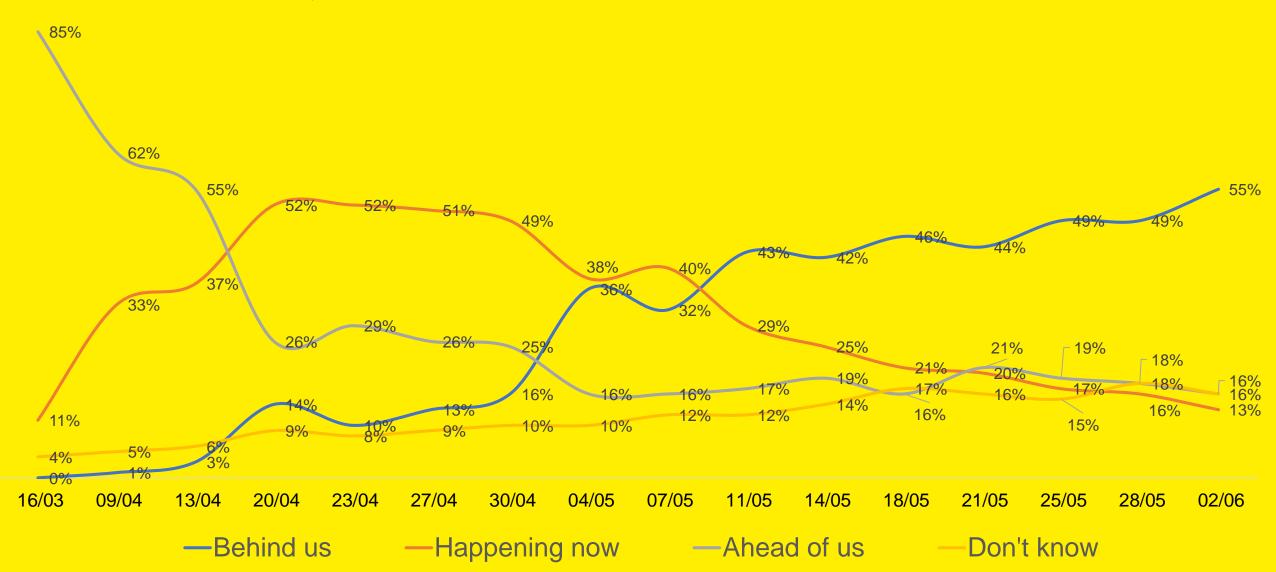
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#### Pandemic Stage



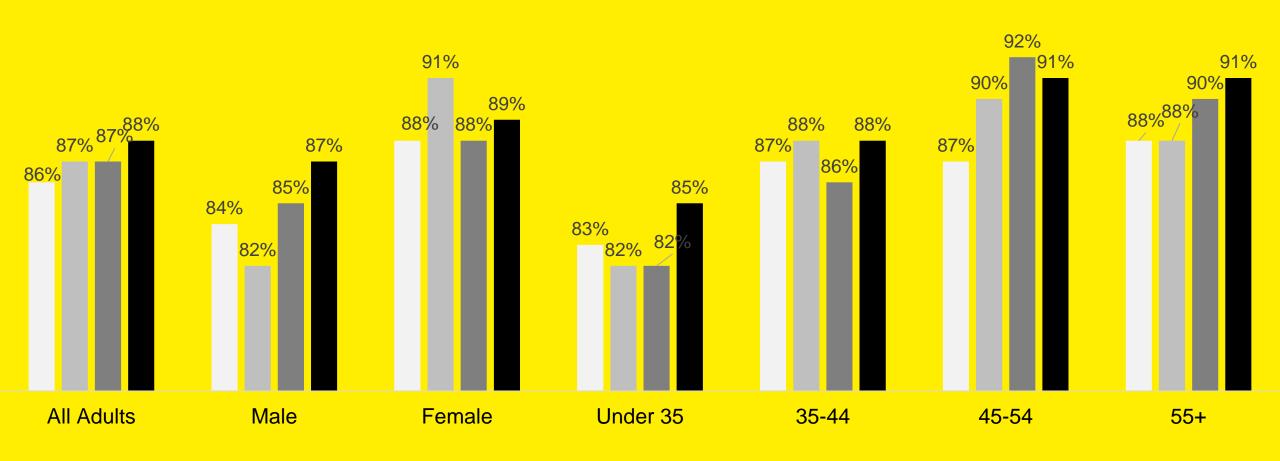
Do you feel that the worst of the Coronavirus crisis in Ireland is:



#### **Preventing Spread**



How would you rate your knowledge level on how to prevent spread of the coronavirus? From 1 = 'very poor knowledge' to 9 = 'very good knowledge' % scoring 6-9 combined



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25/05

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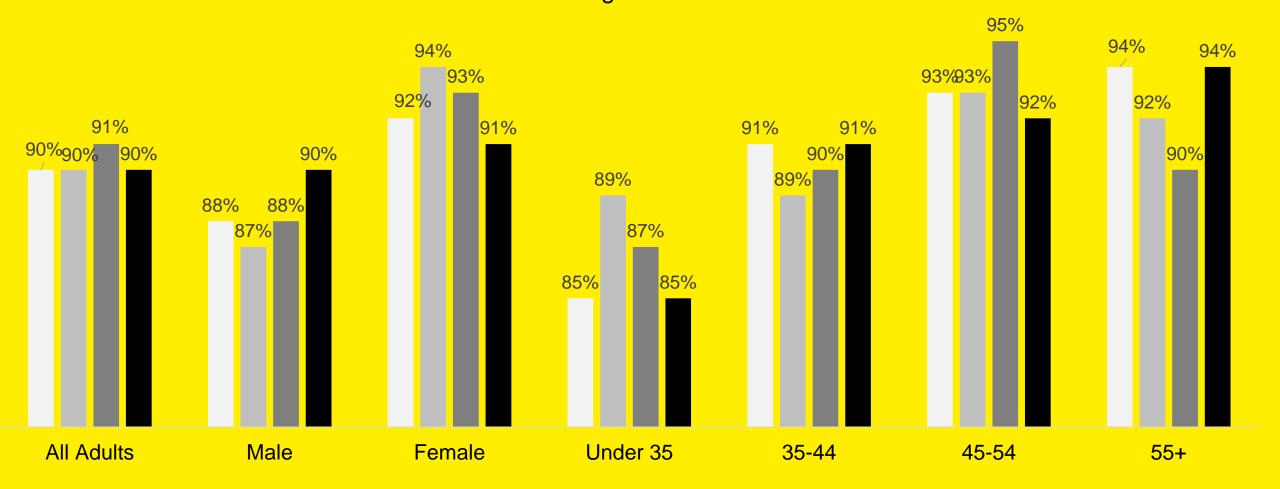
#### **Self Protection**



I know how to protect myself from coronavirus...

From 1 = 'not at all' to 9 = 'very much so'

% scoring 6-9 combined



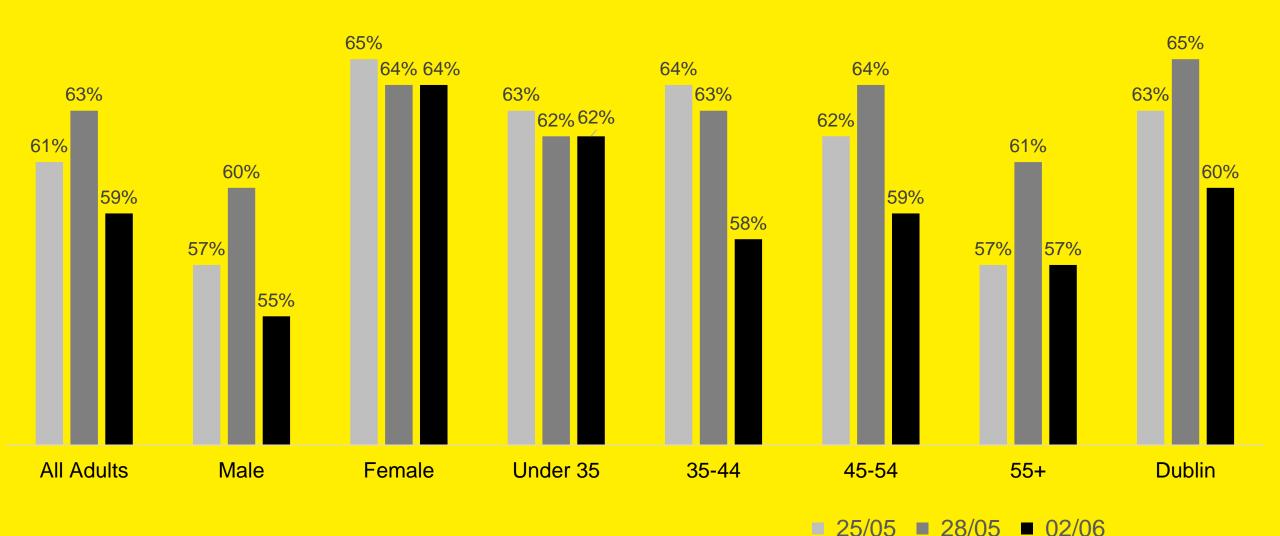
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#### A Second Wave



How likely do you think it is that Ireland will experience a second wave of COVID-19 infections? On a scale of 1 to 7 where 1 is 'very unlikely' and 7 is 'very likely': % 5-7



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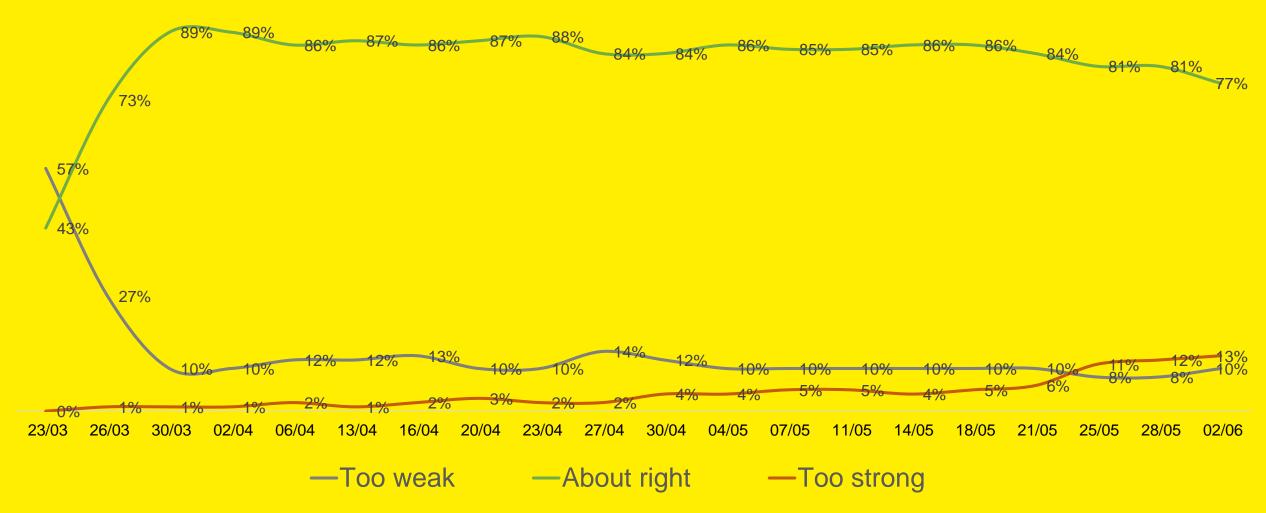


# Policy Preferences

### **Social Distancing**

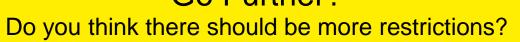


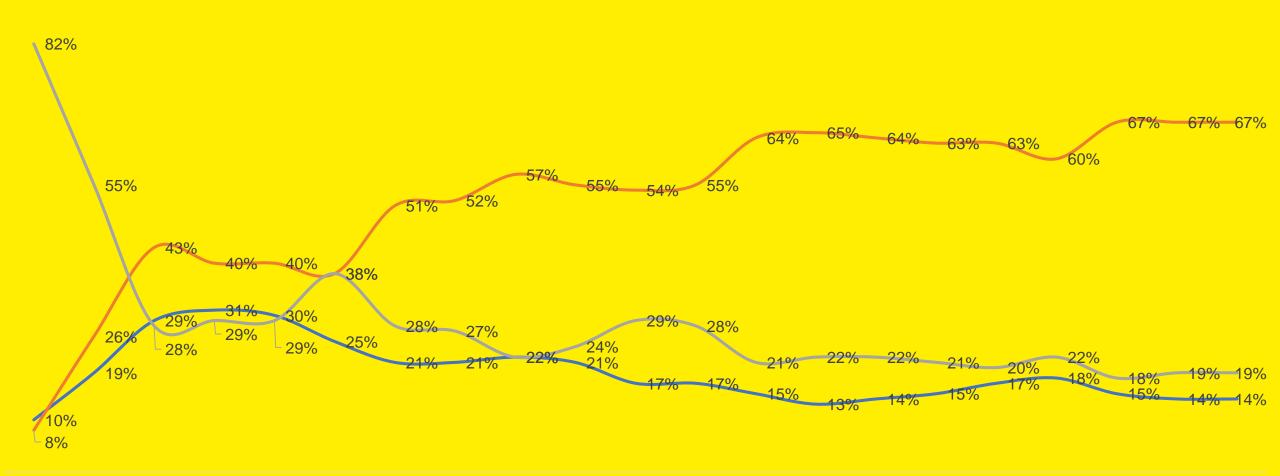
Do you think the current government measures on social distancing are:



# Go Further?







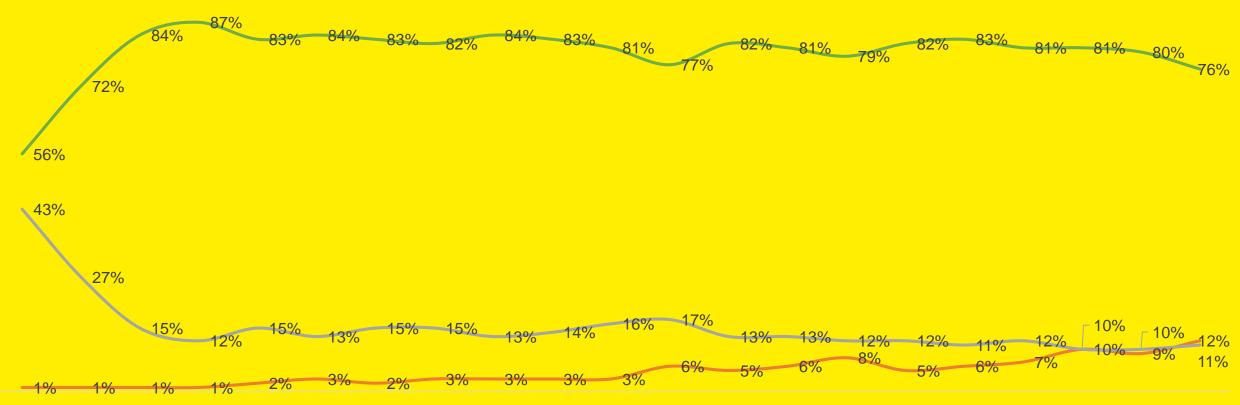
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## Going Too Far?



Do you think the reaction of the government to the current coronavirus outbreak is appropriate too extreme or not sufficient?



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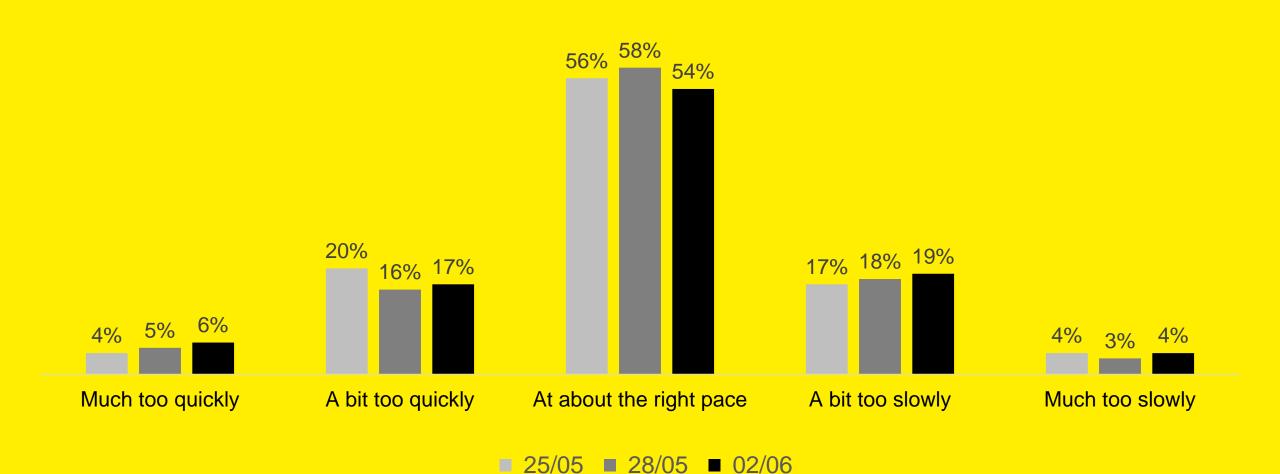
—Too Extreme —Appropriate

—Insufficient

## Returning to Normal – I



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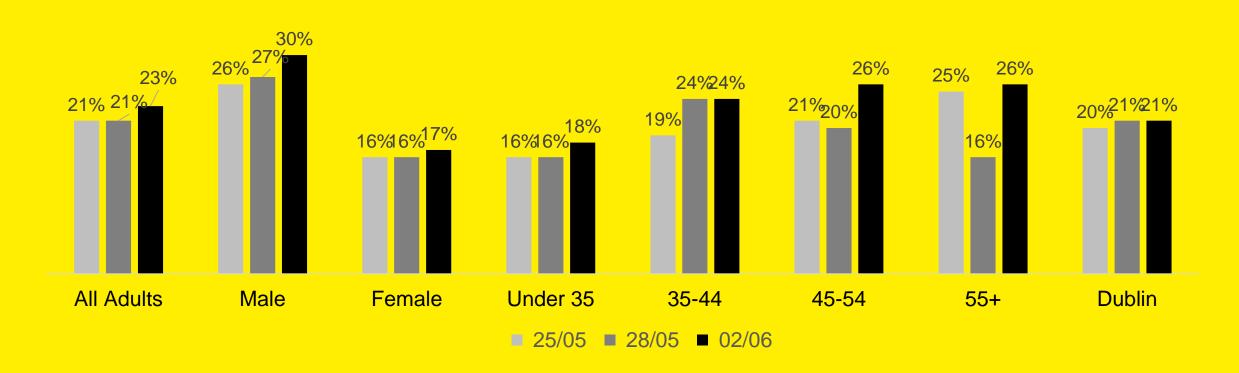


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### Returning to Normal – II



On balance, do you think that Ireland is trying to return to normal: % 'bit/much too slowly'



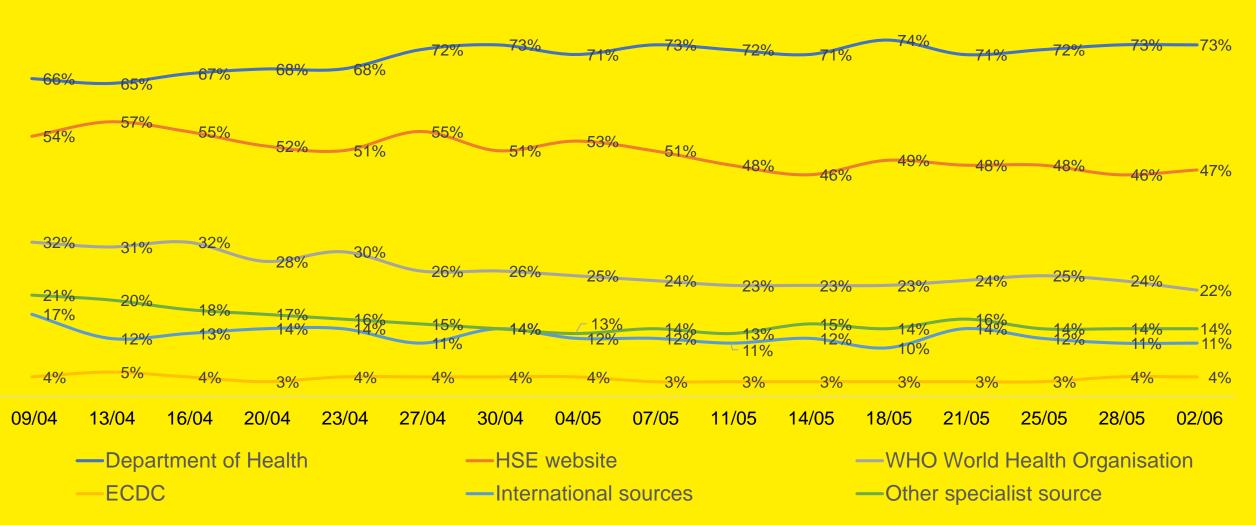


# Information & Communications

#### **Covid-19 Information Sources**



Where are you currently getting trusted information on Covid-19 from?

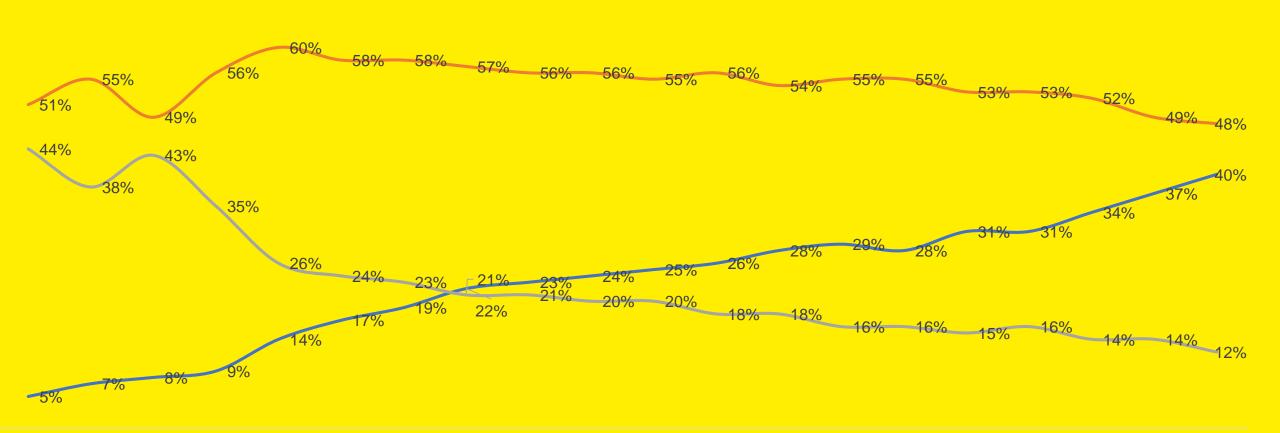


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#### **Media Consumption**



How often are you checking the news about Coronavirus (on TV, radio the internet apps etc)?



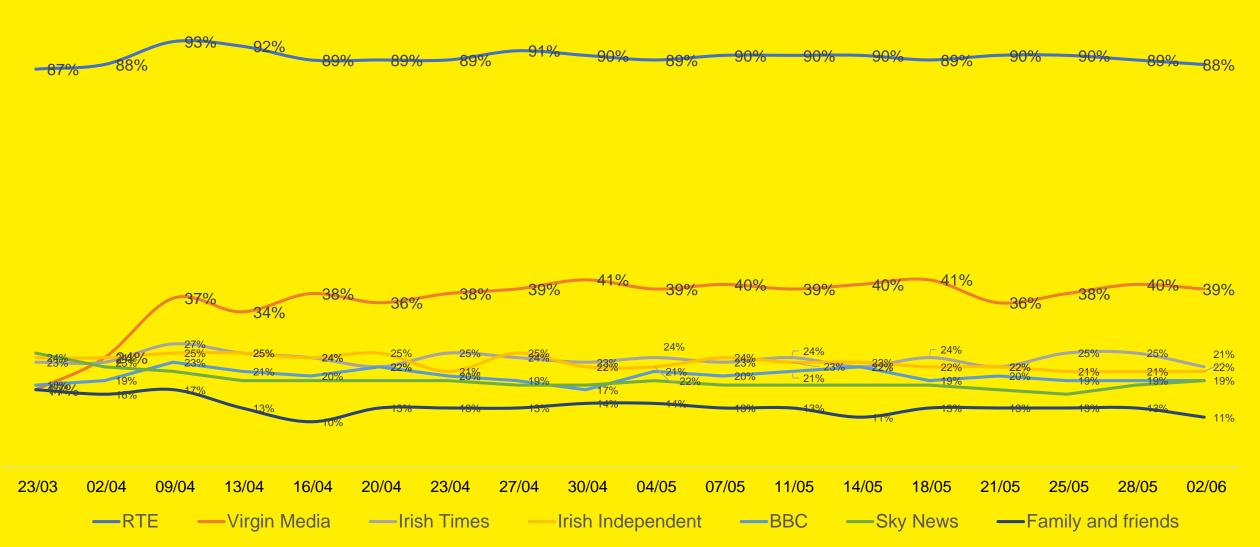
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—Less than once a day —1-3 times a day —4 or more times a day

#### News Sources – I



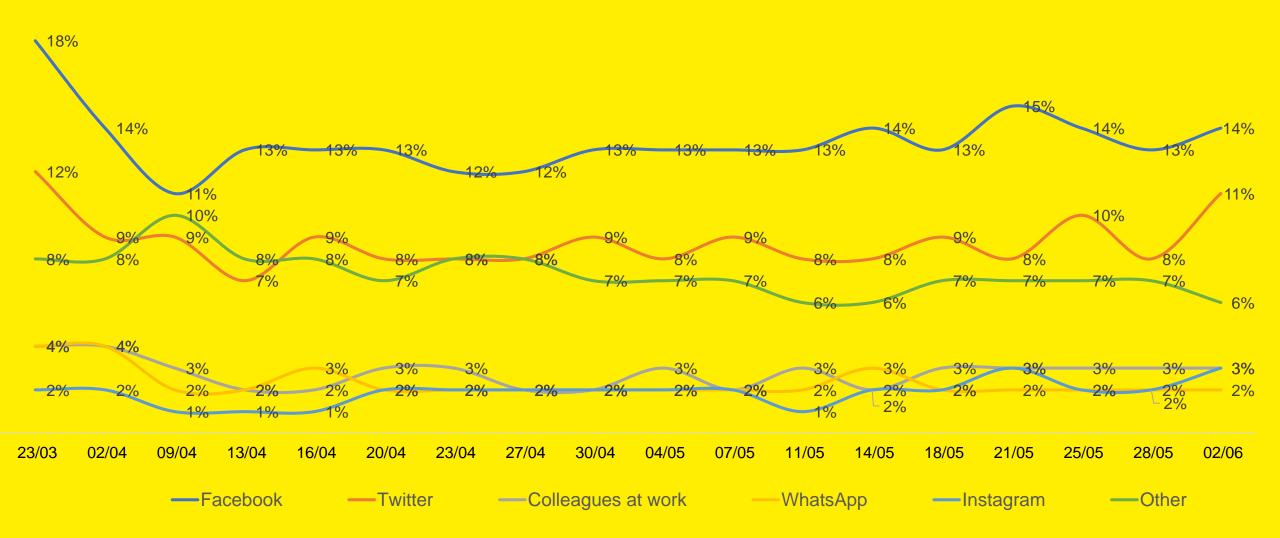
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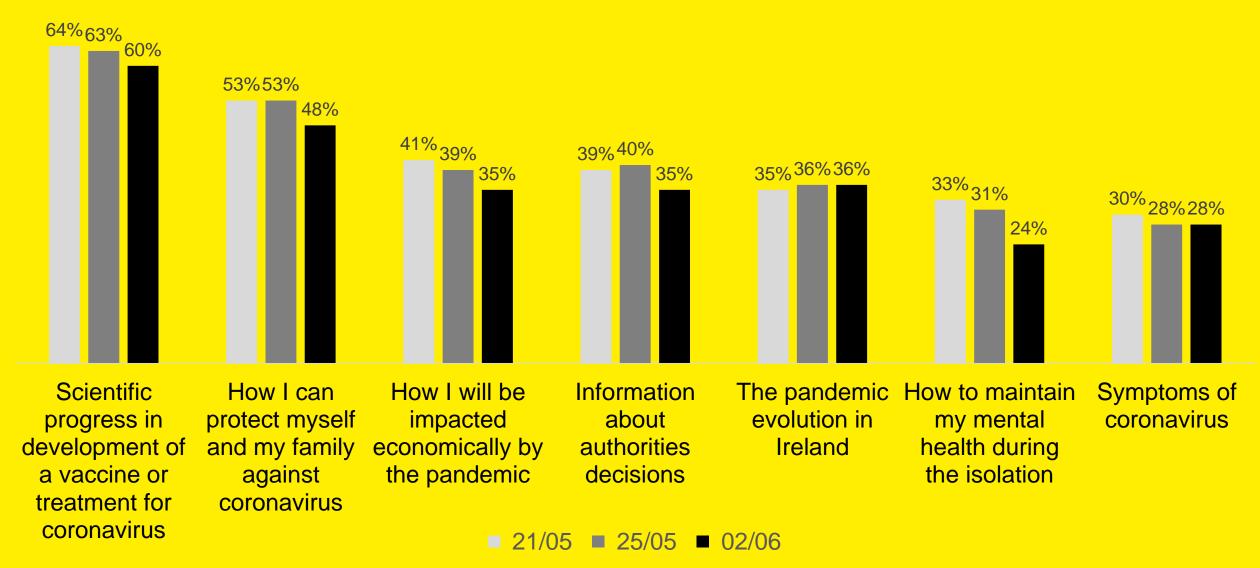
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# Knowledge Gaps – I



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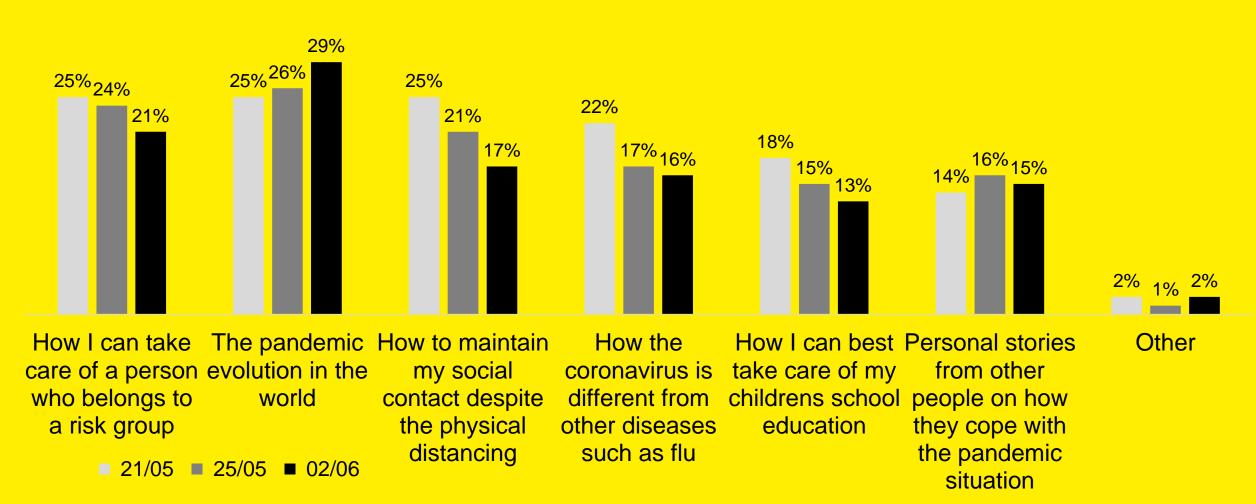


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# Knowledge Gaps – II



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