

Image and level of trust in the EU Optimism about the future of the EU

While **the positive image of the EU** remains stable at a high level, **trust in the EU** and **optimism about its future** have slightly increased since Autumn 2023.



The main concerns of Europeans

The war in Ukraine remains the most important concern at EU level, after a steep increase, followed by immigration, the international situation and inflation.

TOP 6 MAIN CONCERNS

The war

in Ukraine



24% Immigration



situation

19% Rising prices / inflation / cost of living



and climate

change



13% The economic situation

The state of the economy

Perceptions of the current economic situation

have increased, both at the EU and national level. Expectations regarding the economic situation in the next 12 months have also improved.



THE CURRENT SITUATION OF THE ECONOMY

Total 'Good'
Total 'Bad'
Don't know





EXPECTATIONS REGARDING THE ECONOMIC SITUATION IN THE NEXT 12 MONTHS







EU policy actions and areas in the short and medium term

Respondents think that **ensuring peace and stability** is the action at EU level that would have the highest positive impact on their life in the next year. They also consider that security and defence is the most important area where the EU should take measures in the next five years.

Top 3 actions at the EU level that would have the highest positive impact on your life in the next year

- (7) A	Lisuing peace and stability
	46%
	Securing food, health, and industry supplies in the EU
	27%
A <u></u> , A	Creating more job opportunities
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Î.	Managing migration
	26%

Ensuring neace and stability



Security and de	fence
	34%





EU response to Russia's invasion of Ukraine

Among the actions taken by the EU in response to Russia's invasion of Ukraine, providing humanitarian support to the people affected by the war gets the highest percentage of agreement.



87% (-2pp) Providing humanitarian support to the people affected by the war



72% Imposing economic sanctions on Russian government,



companies and individuals 60% (-1pp) Granting candidate status as a

potential Member of the EU



83% (-1pp) Welcoming into the EU people fleeing the war



70% (-2pp) Providing **financial** support to Ukraine



60% (=) Financing the purchase and supply of **military** equipment to Ukraine

Perceptions on European and national identity and citizenship

to Ukraine

Most EU citizens see themselves as "National and European", and a third "National only". Close to three quarters feel they are a citizen of the EU.

SEE THEMSELVES AS...





7% (-1pp) European and [NATIONALITY]

FEEL THEY ARE A CITIZEN OF THE EU



7% (-1) No, definitely not

18% (-1pp) No, not really