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Climate Change Awareness Guidebook



Erasmus+ KA153 Mobility of Youth Workers Project 2022-3-TR01-KA153-YOU-000094167









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Introduction

About the Project

Climate Change Awareness" was an Erasmus+ KA153 Mobility of Youth Workers project that took place from June 14, 2023, to June 22, 2023. The project successfully concluded with the active participation of 49 individuals from Germany, Jordan, Latvia, Ukraine, Portugal, and Türkiye. The diverse group included youth workers, students, academics, Ph.D. holders, master's students. researchers, activists, and environmentalists.

This collaborative initiative cultivated a comprehensive understanding of climate change and mobilized the participants to address challenges environmental related to sustainability. Having completed the project, we are proud of the positive impact it has made on climate change awareness and action on an international scale.



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Introduction

About the Project



In our project, we took steps to help young people better understand climate change and motivate them to take part. We created a simple guide about climate change, gathered information in an easy-to-grasp way, and emphasized the important role each person plays in lessening the negative effects. The aim was to encourage and inspire everyone to take action, nurturing a collective effort to address the challenges posed by climate change. Through these activities, we hoped to make the topic more accessible and promote broader participation in creating a positive impact on our environment.

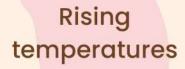






Survey Results of Turkey





Changing precipitation patterns

Turkey has been experiencing noticeable changes due to climate change, including:

Rising temperatures: The average temperature in Turkey has been gradually increasing, leading to more frequent and intense heatwaves. This is especially noticeable in urban areas.

Changing precipitation patterns: The country has been witnessing irregular rainfall patterns, characterized by both droughts and heavy rainfall events. This can result in water scarcity during dry periods and increased risk of flooding and landslides during intense rainfall.







Climate Change in Turkey: Impacts

Sea-level rise

Melting glaciers

Melting glaciers: Turkey is home to several glaciers, particularly in the eastern part of the country. These glaciers are retreating, posing a threat to freshwater resources as they act as natural reservoirs.

Sea-level rise: Coastal areas in Turkey are vulnerable to rising sea levels. This can cause coastal erosion, loss of land, and the intrusion of saltwater into groundwater, affecting both the environment and coastal communities.

These climate change impacts highlight the need for adaptation measures and proactive planning to mitigate the risks and protect vulnerable regions in Turkey.







Vulnerable Sectors in Turkey

Water resources

Agriculture

Climate change has several significant impacts on various sectors in Turkey:

Agriculture: Climate change affects agriculture by causing water scarcity, which leads to decreased crop yields. Additionally, the increased frequency of pests and diseases, along with shifts in growing seasons, further impact agricultural productivity.

Water resources: Changes in precipitation patterns and higher evaporation rates influence water availability, resulting in droughts and putting stress on ecosystems and water supplies.







Vulnerable Sectors in Turkey

Tourism

Biodiversity

Biodiversity: Climate change contributes to habitat loss, alters ecosystems, and disrupts the distribution and abundance of species, posing risks to Turkey's diverse biodiversity.

Tourism: Climate change-related effects such as coastal erosion, damage to natural attractions like beaches and historical sites, and changes in seasonal patterns can disrupt the tourism industry in Turkey.

These impacts highlight the importance of adopting sustainable practices, managing water resources effectively, conserving biodiversity, and developing resilient strategies to protect vulnerable sectors and ensure a sustainable future for Turkey.







Policy and Initiatives

Turkey's commitment to international agreements

Changing precipitation patterns

Turkey has shown its commitment to international climate action through its involvement in the following:

Paris Agreement: Turkey has signed and ratified the Paris Agreement, affirming its dedication to global efforts in combating climate change.

National Climate Change Strategy and Action Plan: Turkey has developed a comprehensive plan that outlines specific measures for both mitigating and adapting to climate change. This plan serves as a roadmap for national policies and strategies.

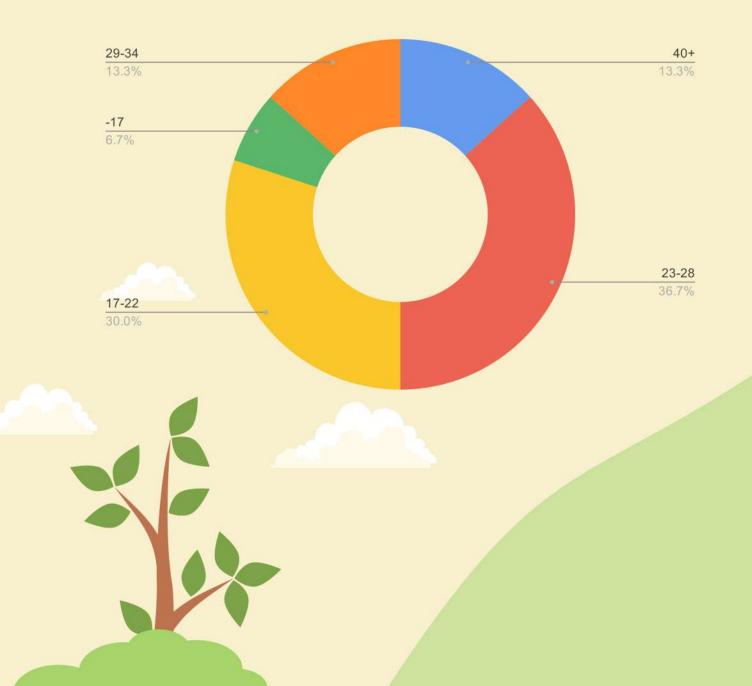






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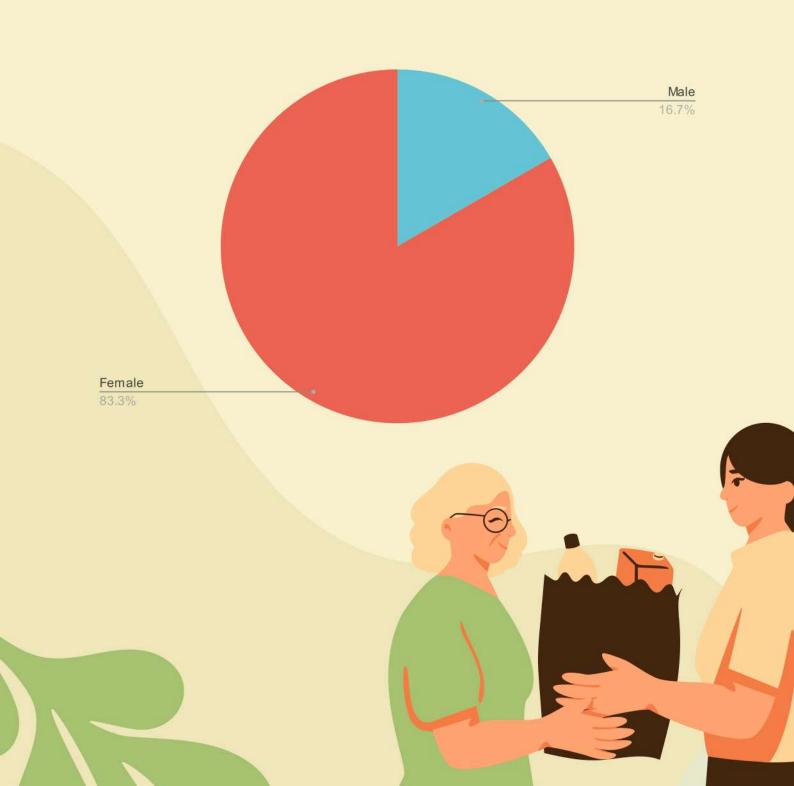








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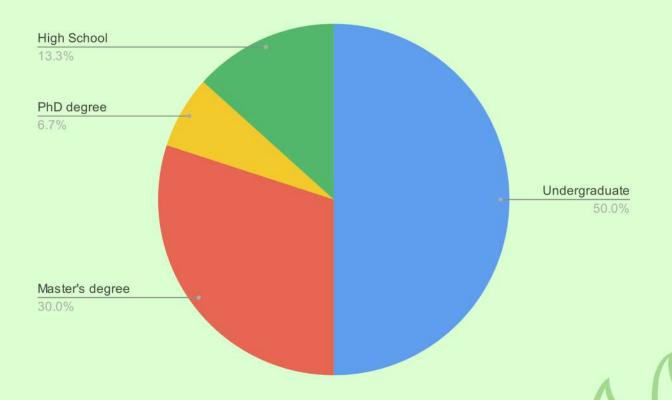








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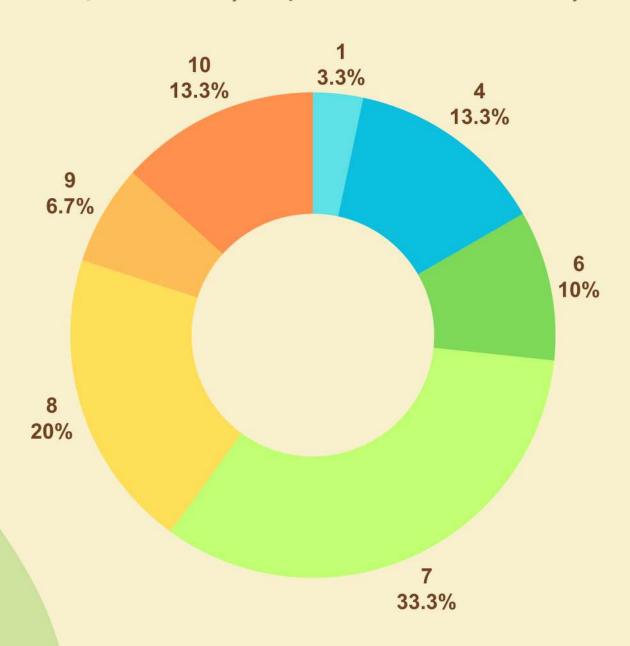








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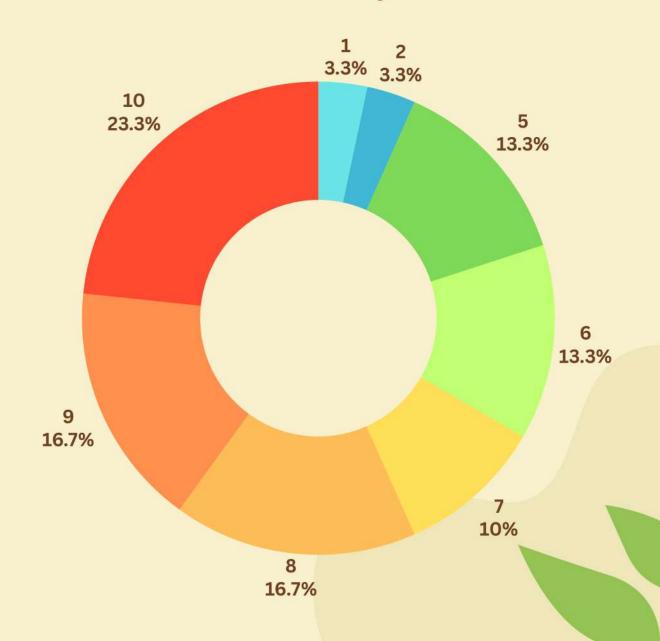








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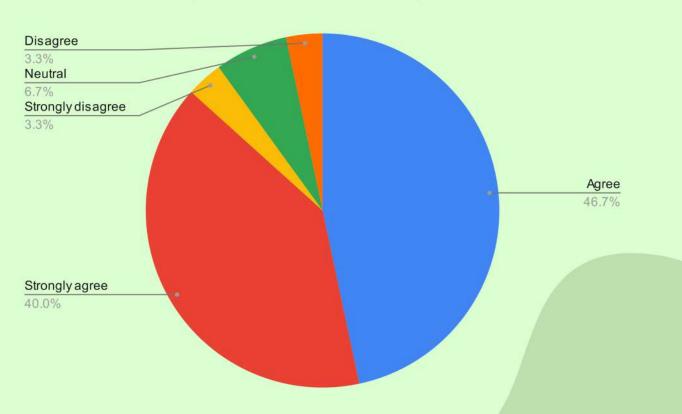






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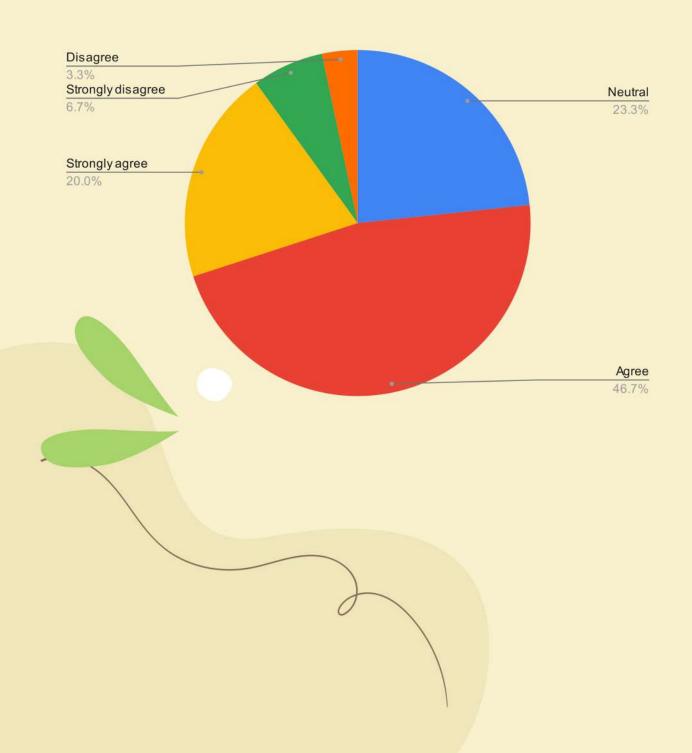








It poses a serious threat to you and your family.

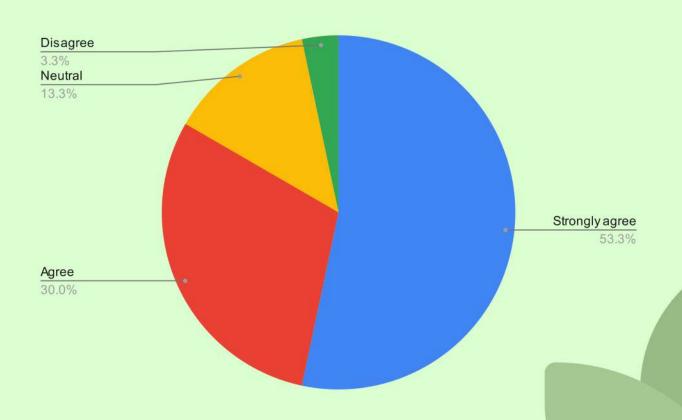








It is caused by human activities.

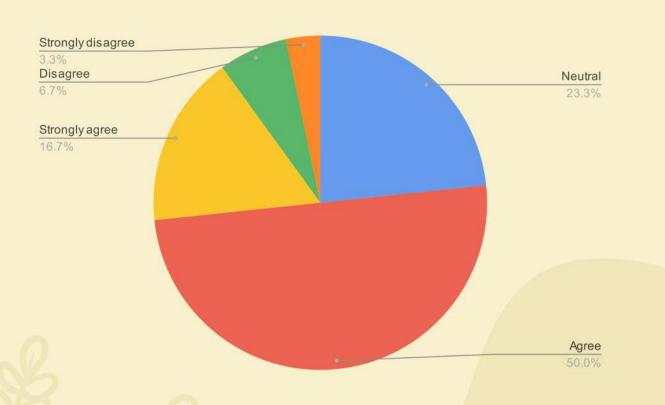








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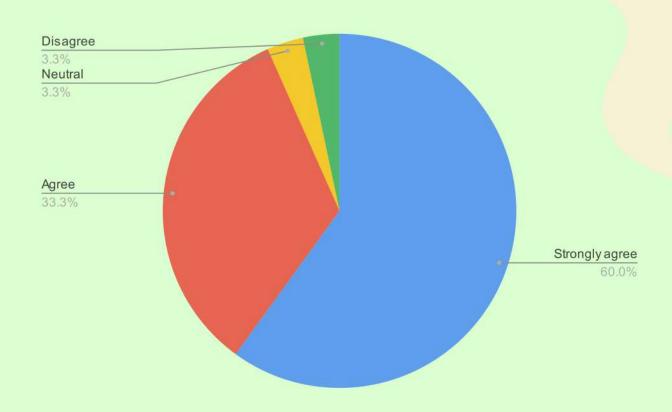








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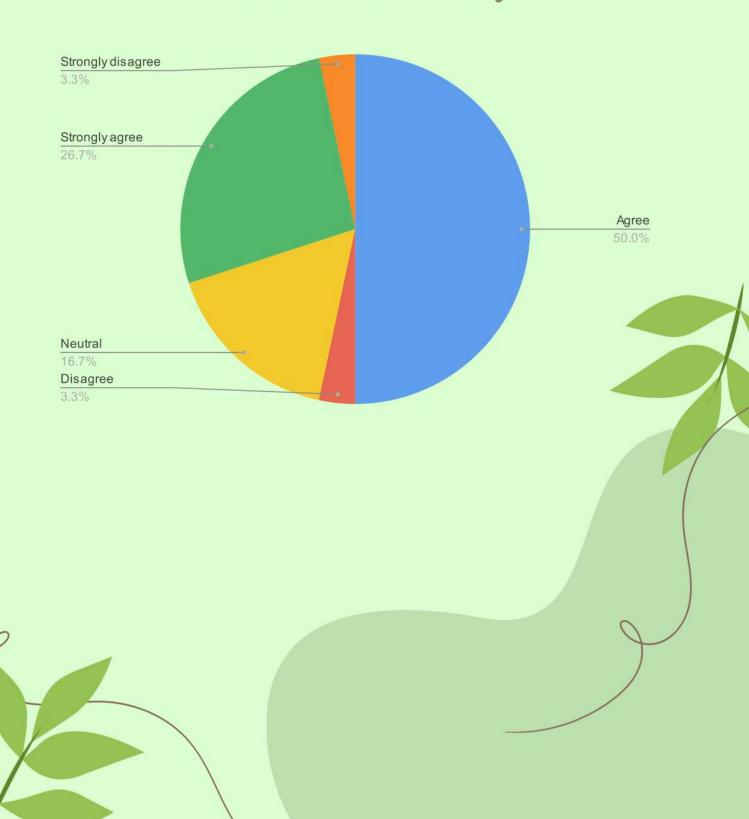








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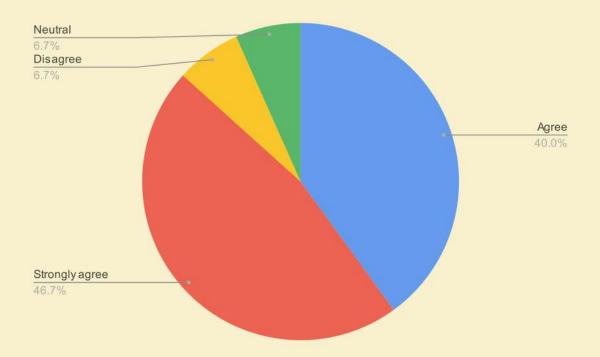




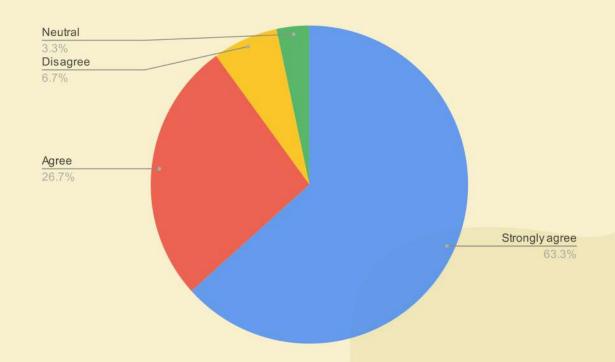




You understand what climate change means.



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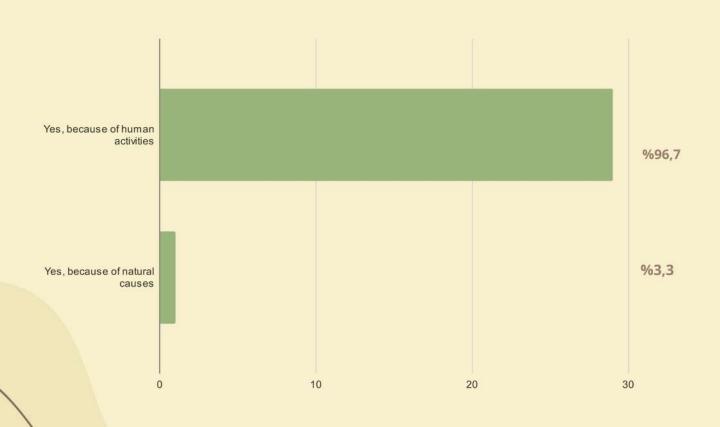








Do you think the temperature on earth has been rising over the past decade?









Are you aware of the global policies or initiatives taken by various organizations to reduce climate change/global warming?



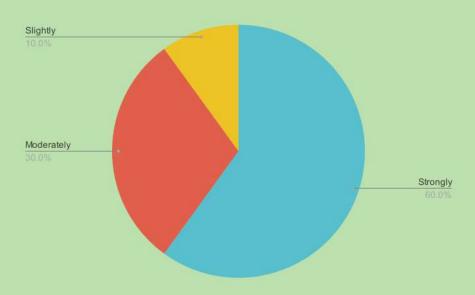




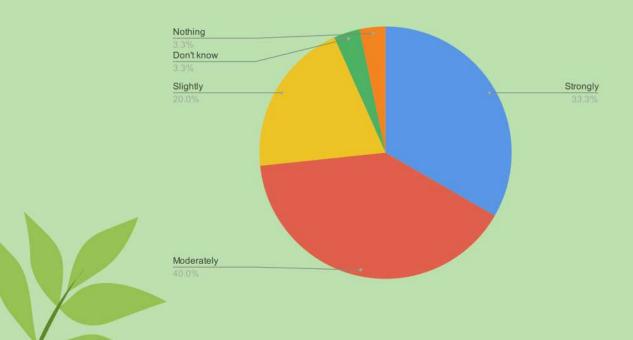


How much do you think the following has contributed to global climate change?

Greenhouse gases



Land use and land cover

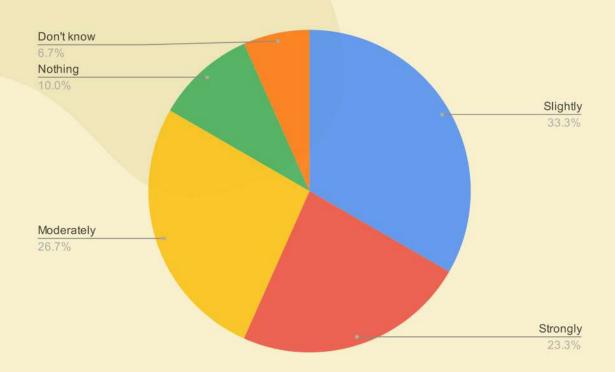




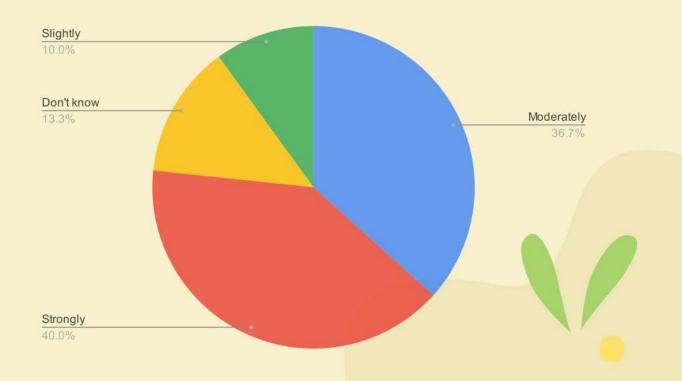




Sun



Aerosols

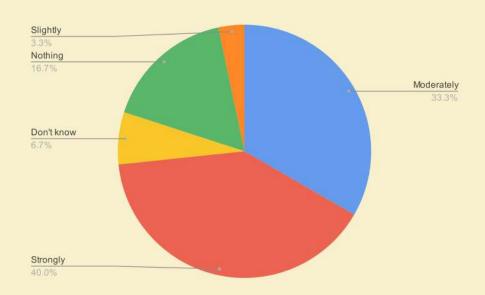




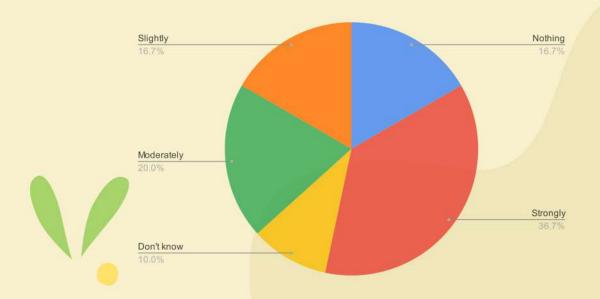




Melting of Ice or volcanic eruptions



El Niño or irregular warming of surface water

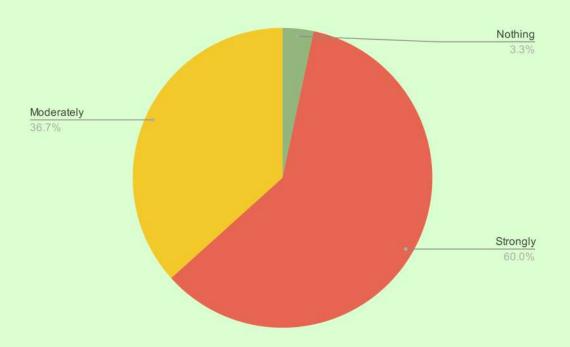




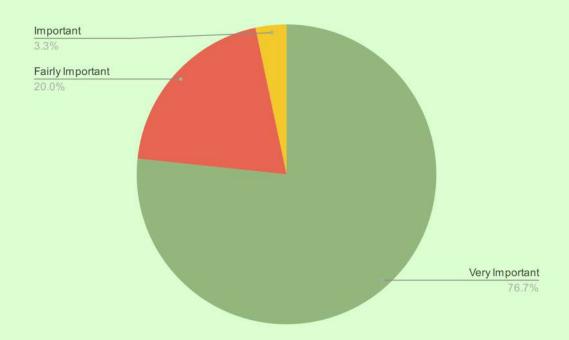




Deforestation



Air pollution

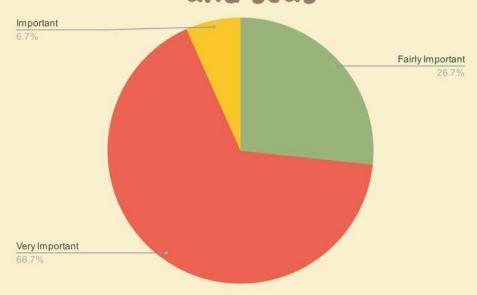




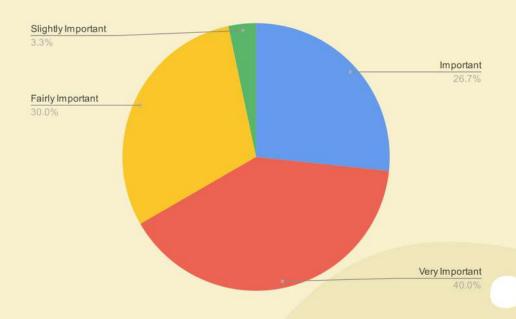




Pollution of rivers and seas



Flooding

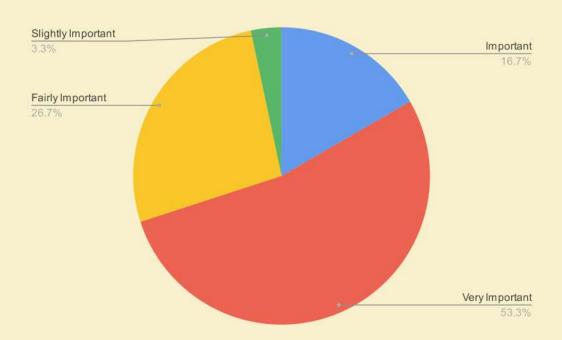




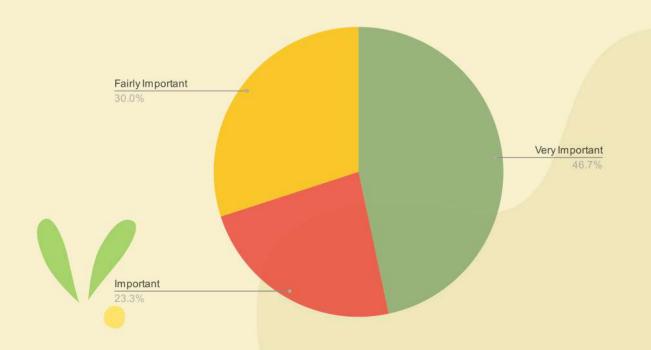




Litter



Poor waste management (e.g. overuse of landfills)

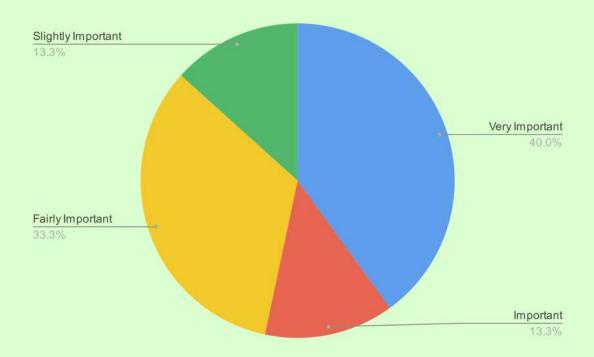




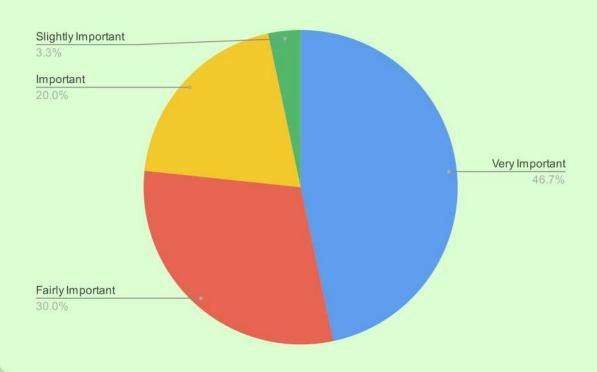




Traffic/Congestion



Temperature rise or drop

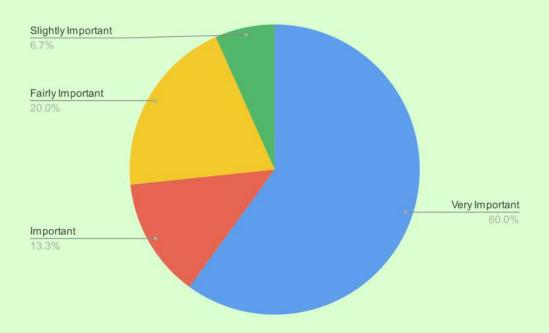




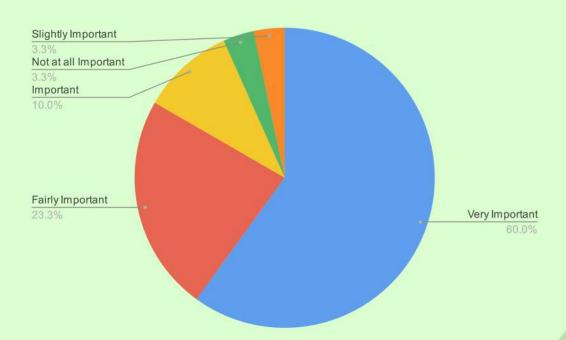




The hole in the ozone layer



Using up the earth's resources









NDC Status

Türkiye submitted its <u>Intended Nationally</u> <u>Determined Contribution (INDC)</u> in October 2015.

In 2021, Türkiye ratified the Paris Climate Agreement and committed to net zero by 2053.

The country is now preparing its long-term climate change strategy and action plan to enhance adaptation, accelerate mitigation of greenhouse gas emissions, and increase co-benefits for cities, sectors, and ecosystems. Accordingly, Türkiye will update its NDC.







Adaptation Strategies

Building climate resilience

Water management

Sustainable agriculture

Conservation and restoration

To build climate resilience, Turkey can focus on the following actions:

Improving infrastructure: Enhancing infrastructure to withstand extreme weather events, such as upgrading drainage systems, reinforcing buildings, and constructing flood barriers. This helps minimize the impacts of climate-related disasters.

Early warning systems and disaster management: Implementing effective early warning systems for weather-related hazards and strengthening disaster management capabilities to enable timely response and evacuation.

Water management: Promoting efficient irrigation techniques in agriculture to minimize water use, implementing rainwater harvesting systems for water conservation, and encouraging sustainable practices to manage water resources effectively.







Adaptation Strategies

Sustainable agriculture: Adopting precision farming methods to optimize resource use and minimize environmental impacts. Promoting organic agriculture reduces reliance on chemical inputs and fosters resilience to climate change impacts.

Conservation and restoration: Protecting and restoring ecosystems, particularly biodiversity hotspots, through measures such as afforestation, reforestation, and habitat restoration. Establishing protected areas helps preserve valuable ecosystems and enhances their resilience to climate change.

By implementing these measures, Turkey can enhance its resilience to climate change, protect vital resources, and promote sustainable development for the benefit of present and future generations.







Mitigation Strategies

Renewable energy transition

Energy efficiency

To promote a sustainable and low-carbon future, Turkey can focus on the following actions:

Renewable energy transition: Expanding the capacity of renewable energy sources such as solar, wind, and hydropower through investments and incentives. This includes phasing out coal-fired power plants and transitioning towards cleaner energy alternatives.

Energy efficiency: Encouraging energy-efficient practices across industries, transportation, and buildings. This can involve promoting energy-saving technologies, improving insulation, and adopting efficient machinery and appliances to reduce overall energy consumption.







Mitigation Strategies

Green transportation

Waste management

Green transportation: Promoting sustainable transportation options such as public transport, cycling infrastructure, and electric vehicles. This helps reduce emissions from the transportation sector and improve air quality.

Waste management: Implementing comprehensive waste management strategies, including recycling programs, waste reduction campaigns, and the capture of landfill gas for energy generation. Proper waste management reduces greenhouse gas emissions and promotes resource conservation.

By prioritizing these actions, Turkey can significantly reduce its carbon footprint, enhance energy security, and contribute to the global efforts in mitigating climate change. It will also pave the way for a more sustainable and environmentally friendly future.







Conclusion

Climate change indeed poses significant challenges for Turkey, impacting sectors such as agriculture, water resources, biodiversity, and tourism. Addressing climate change is crucial for protecting the environment, sustaining economic growth, and ensuring the well-being of Turkish citizens.

To effectively tackle climate change in Turkey, it is essential for governments, businesses, and individuals to collaborate and take action. This includes:

Policy and regulatory measures: Governments should implement climate policies, set emission reduction targets, and establish regulations that promote sustainable practices across sectors. Sustainable economic practices: Businesses can adopt sustainable practices, such as reducing greenhouse gas emissions, promoting energy efficiency, and investing in renewable energy sources.







Conclusion

Public awareness and education: Individuals play a crucial role in addressing climate change.

Promoting public awareness and providing education on climate change impacts and sustainable practices can encourage individuals to make informed choices and take actions to reduce their carbon footprint.

Research and innovation: Investing in research and innovation is important for developing climate-friendly technologies, adaptation strategies, and sustainable solutions tailored to Turkey's specific challenges.

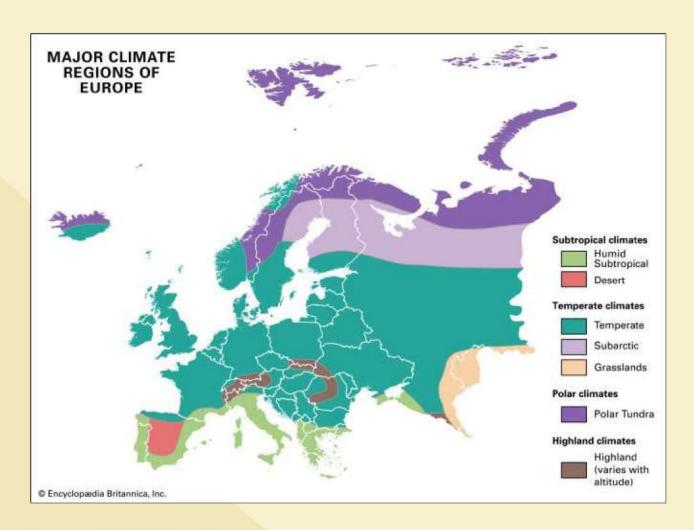
By working together, Turkey can mitigate the impacts of climate change, build resilience, and create a sustainable and prosperous future for its citizens and the environment.







The Climate in Ukraine



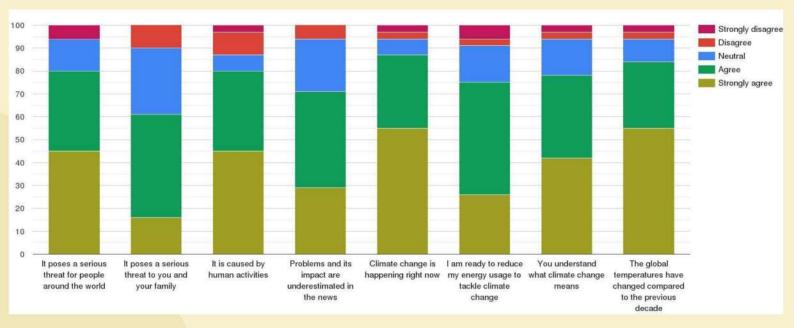
Area: 603,7 km2 5,7 % of European area The largest country in Europe



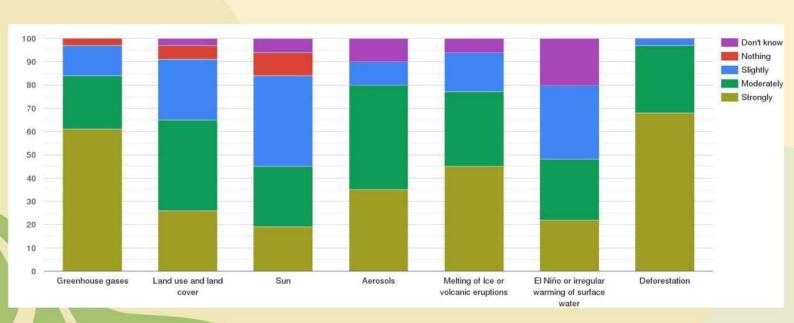




STATE YOUR LEVEL OF AGREEMENT FOR THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS REGARDING GLOBAL WARMING/CLIMATE CHANGE:



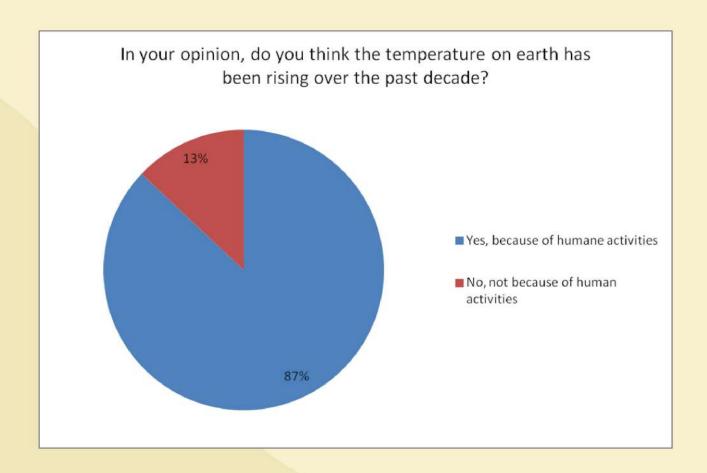
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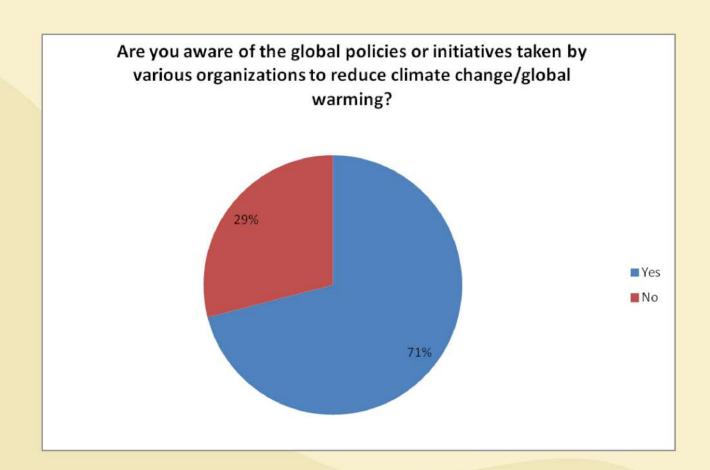










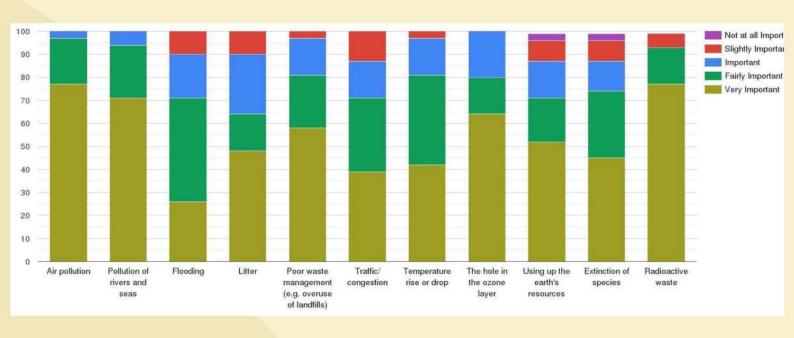








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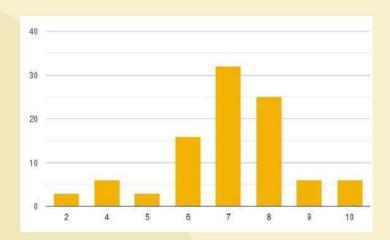


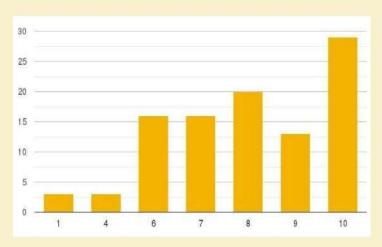






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where
10 –strongly agree
1 –strongly disagree







IMPACT OF CLIMATE CHANGE ON UKRAINE











Among the climatic threats, the mostoften noted by local communities are:

- -droughts and water shortages -54.3%,
- -heavy precipitation (intense rain, snowfall, fog, hail) —45.7%, extreme heat —42%,
- -storms (strong wind, storm, thunderstorm) 38.3%
- -floods (flooding by surface water,flooding of rivers, flooding of thecoastal strip, inundation bygroundwater) —37%

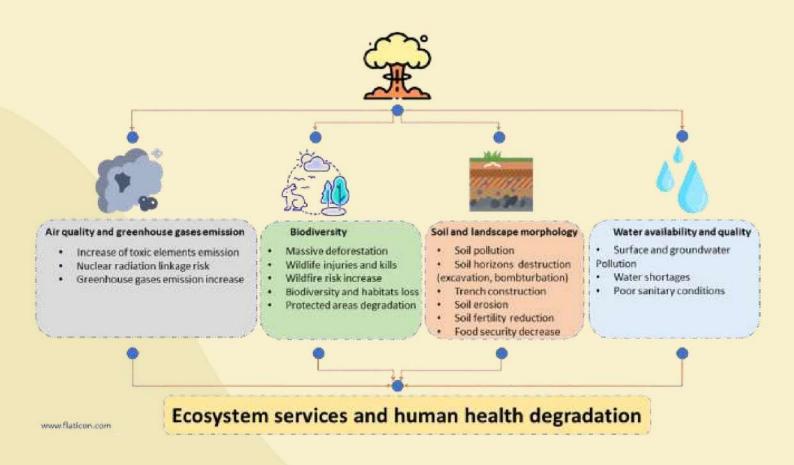








IMPACT OF the WAR on CLIMATE CHANGE in UKRAINE













The Destruction of a Ukrainian Dam is a Global Catastrophe

The collapse of the dam in southern Ukraine on June 6 is one of the biggest industrial and ecological disasters in Europe in decades. The catastrophe has destroyed entire villages, flooded farmland, deprived tens of thousands of people of power and clean water, and caused massive environmental damage.











The concentration of harmful substances in water samples is ten times higher than the permissible norm.

3,784 residential buildings are under water.

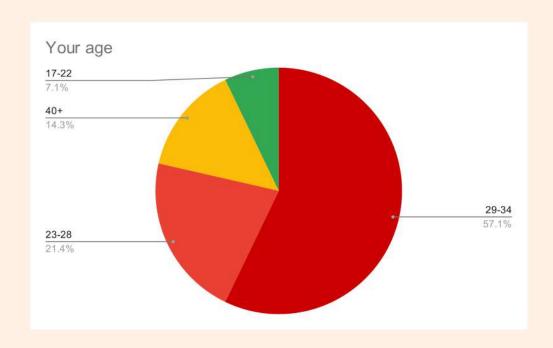
Flood waters carry pesticides, chemicals, oil, dead animals and fish from the Danube River, which end up in the Black Sea.



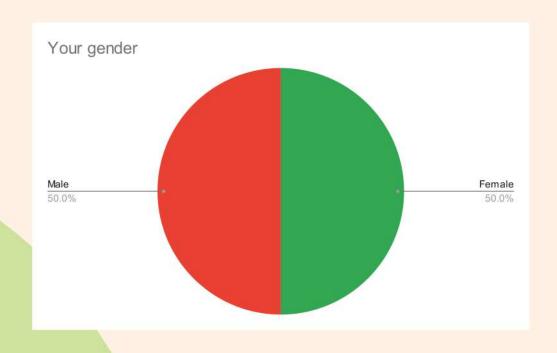




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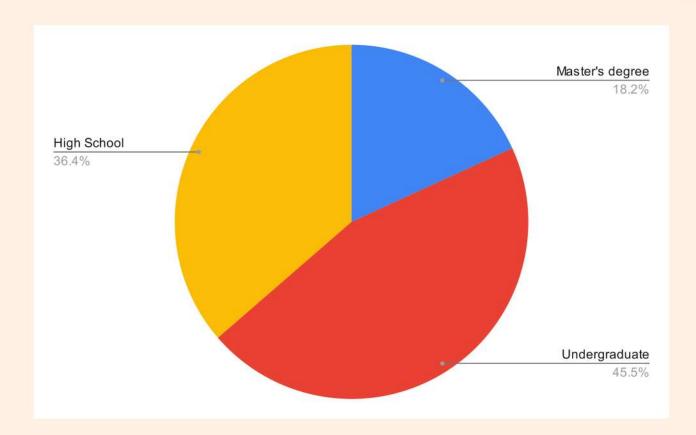








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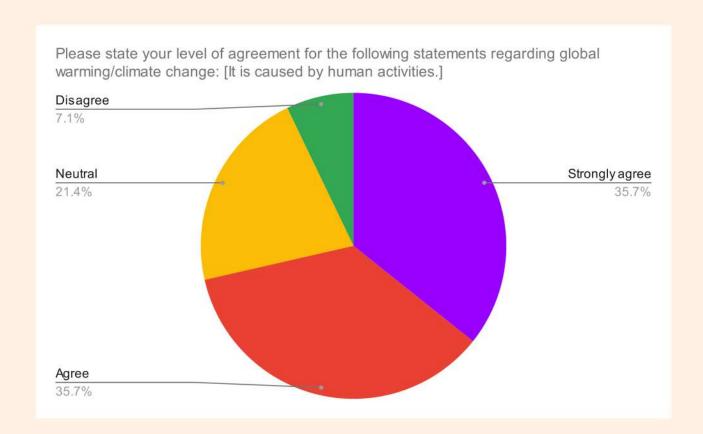








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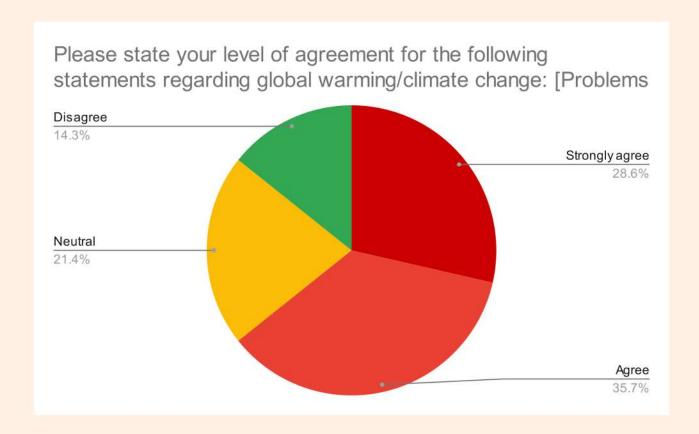








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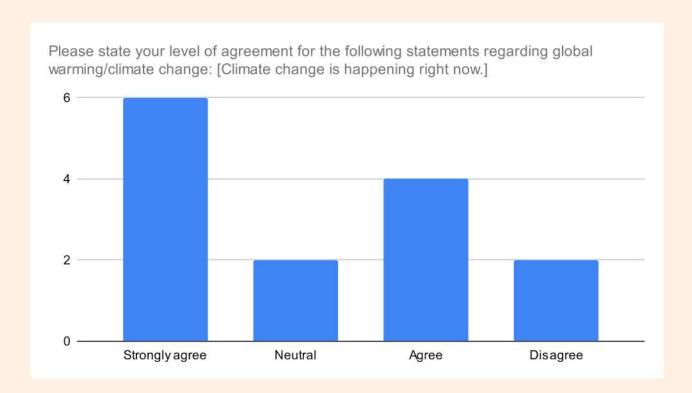








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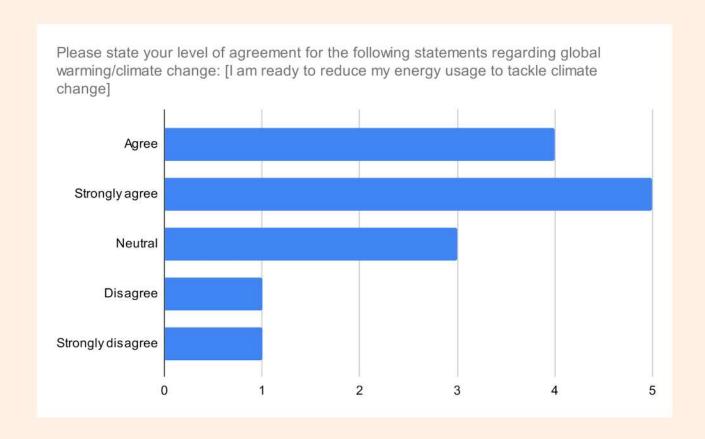








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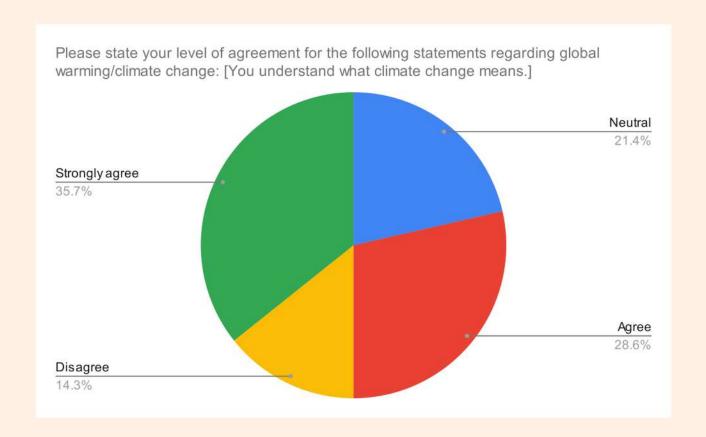








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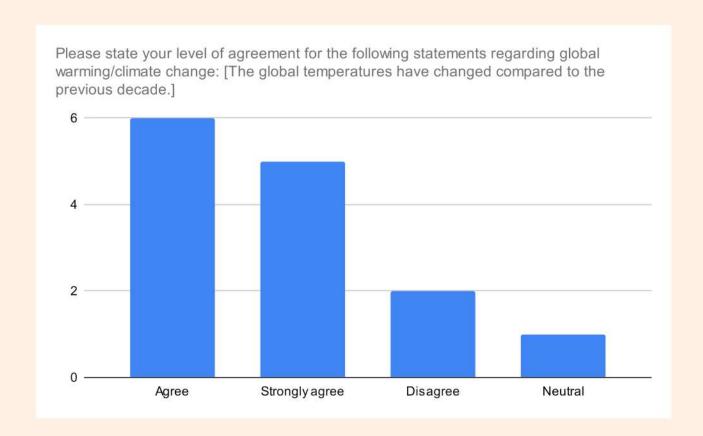








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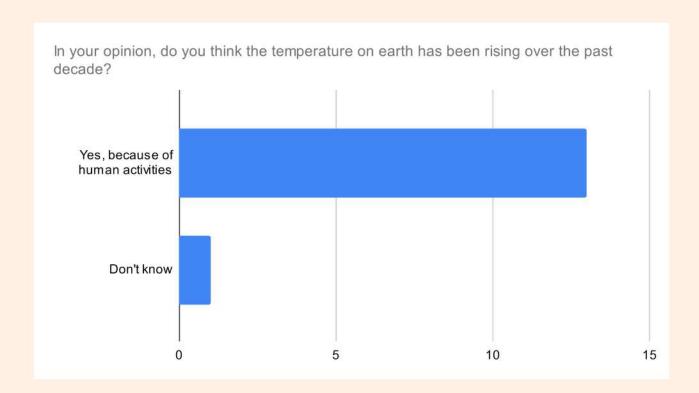








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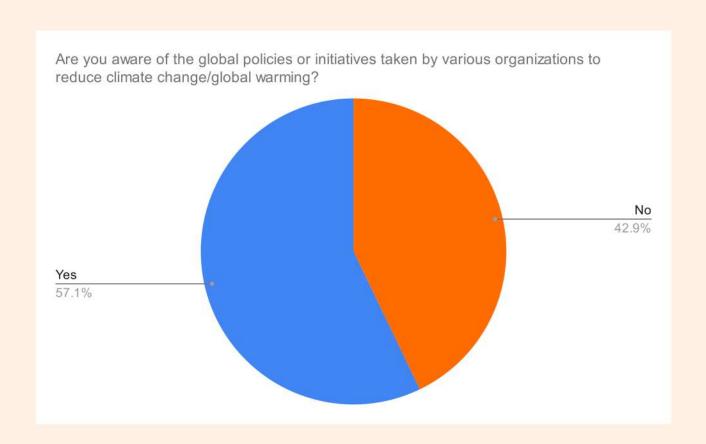








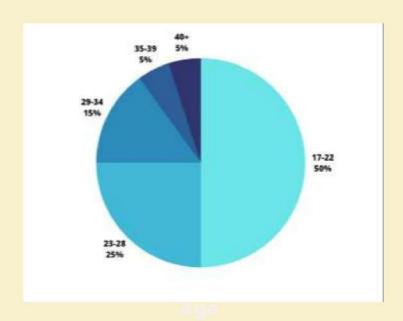
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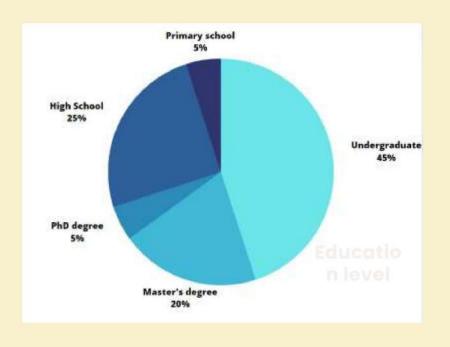


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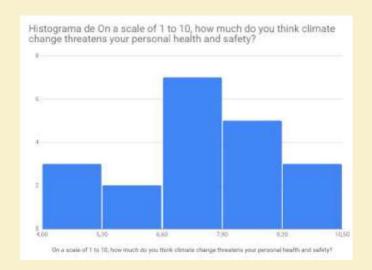


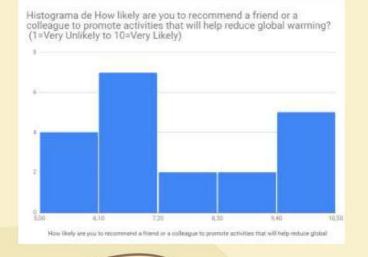








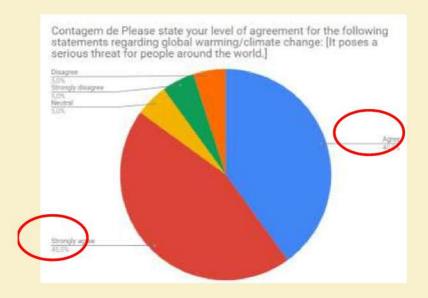


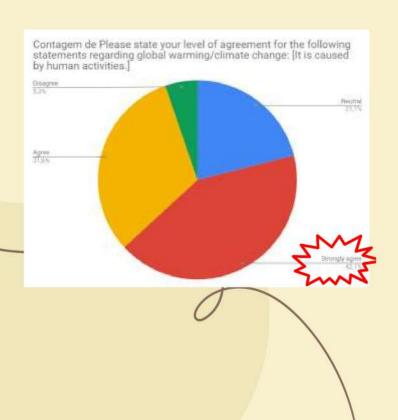








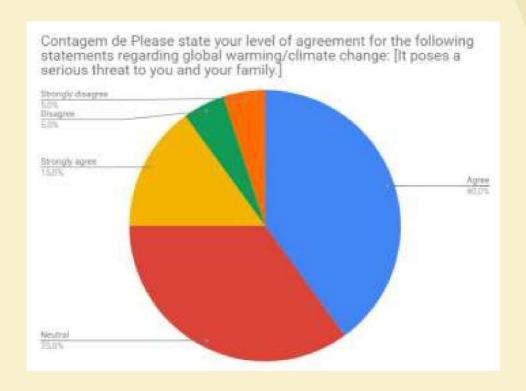




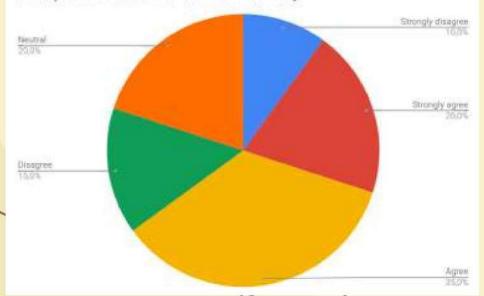








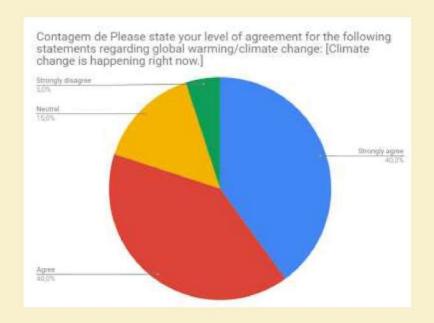
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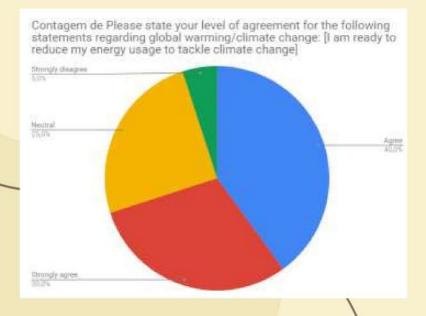








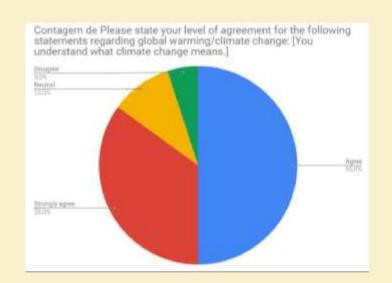
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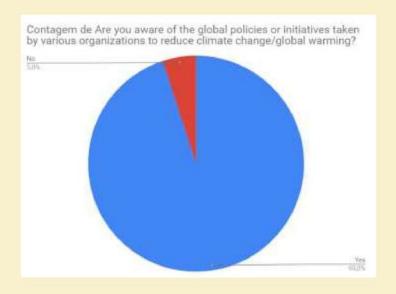


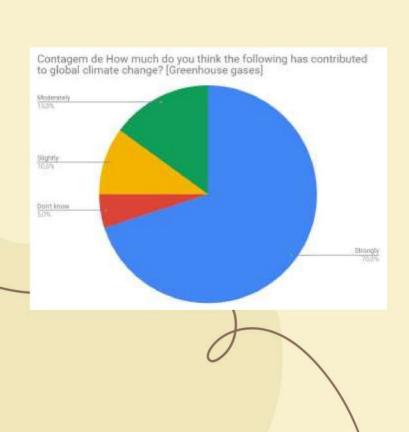








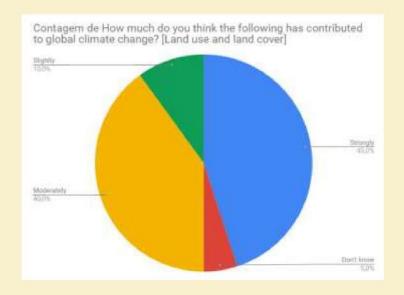


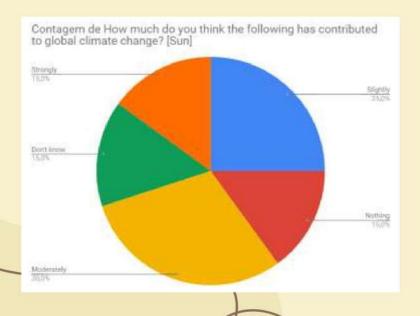








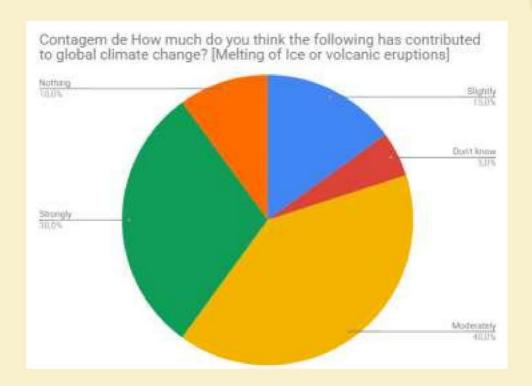


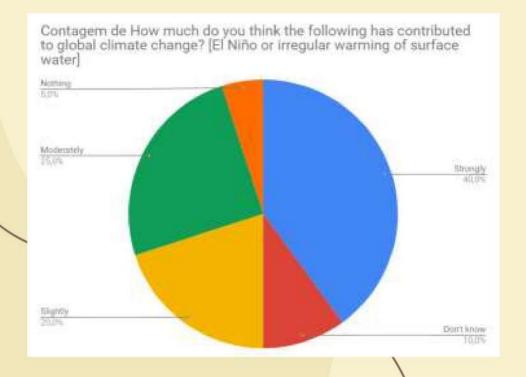








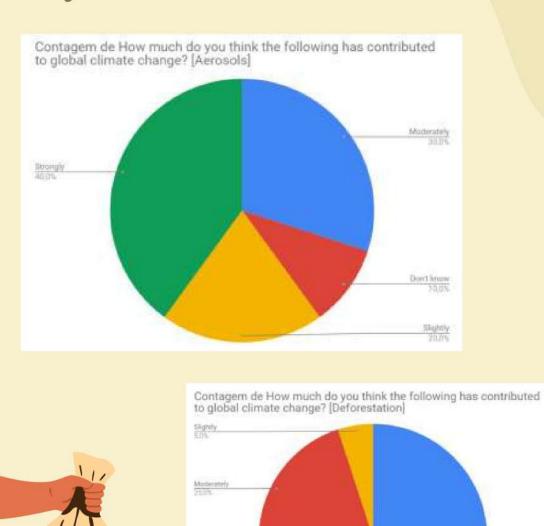








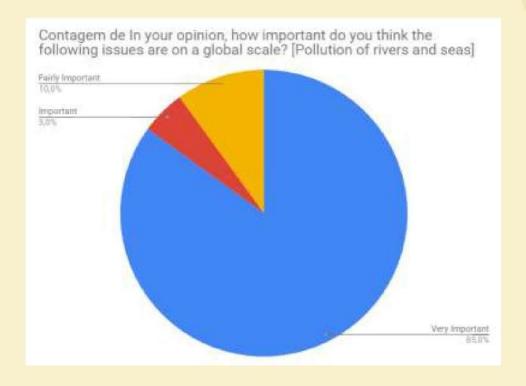


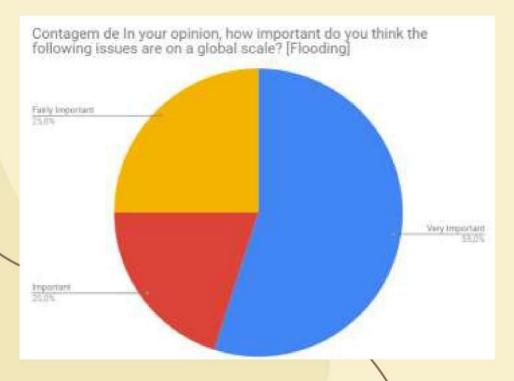








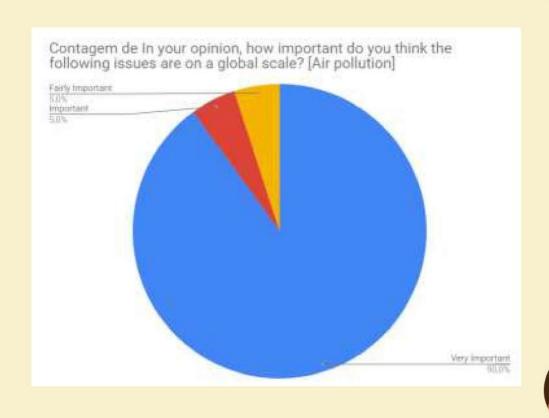










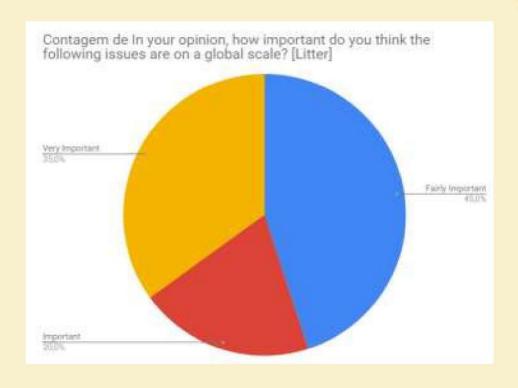


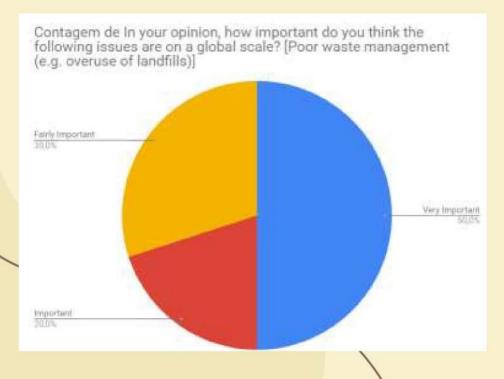








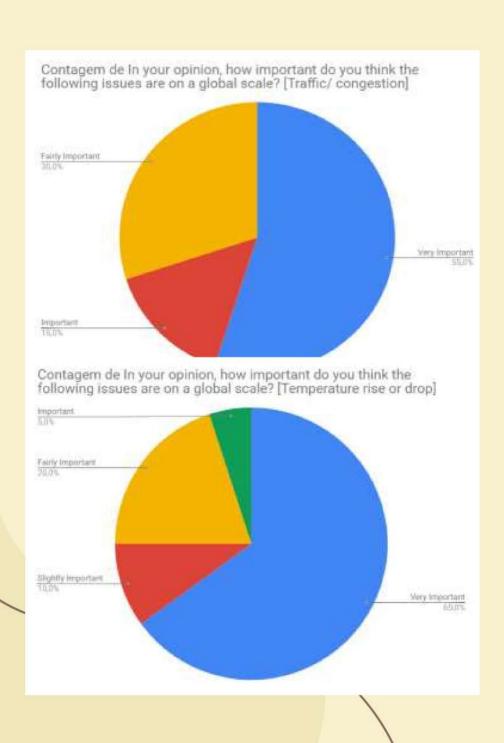








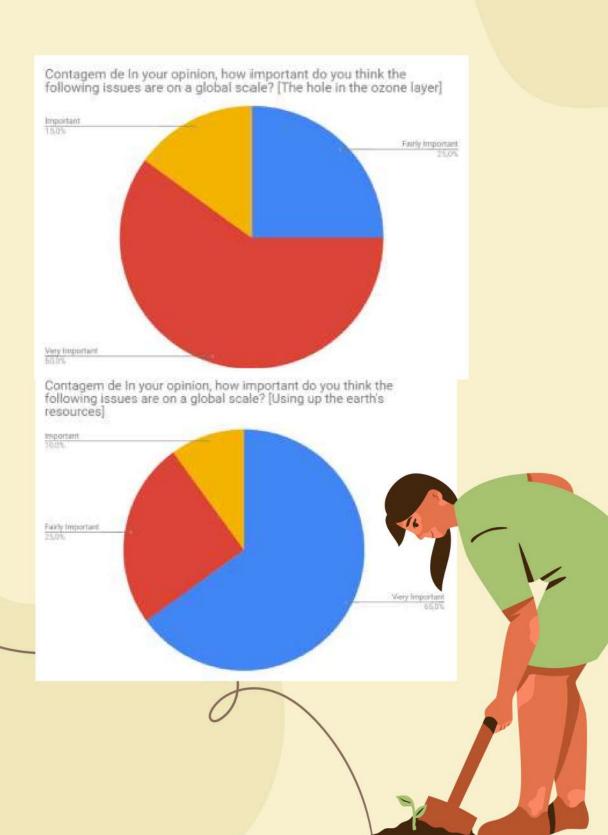








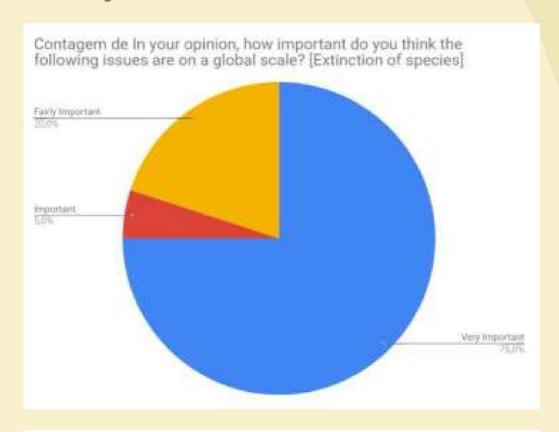


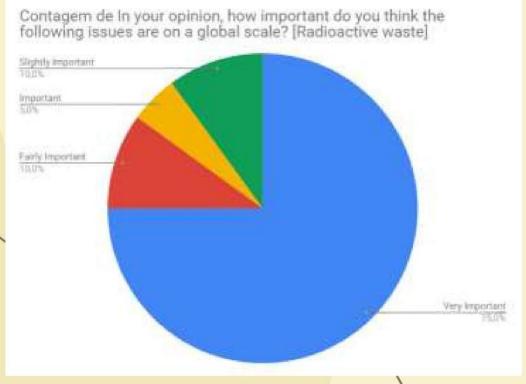


















CONCLUSION

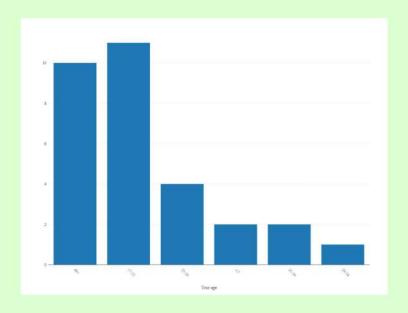




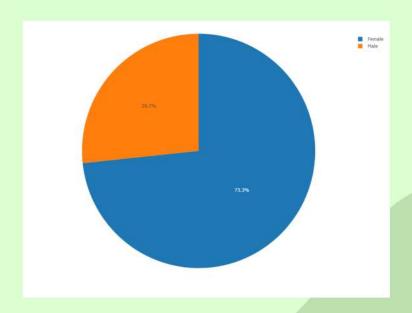




Survey Results of Latvia The Age



The Gender









Survey Results of Latvia Education Level

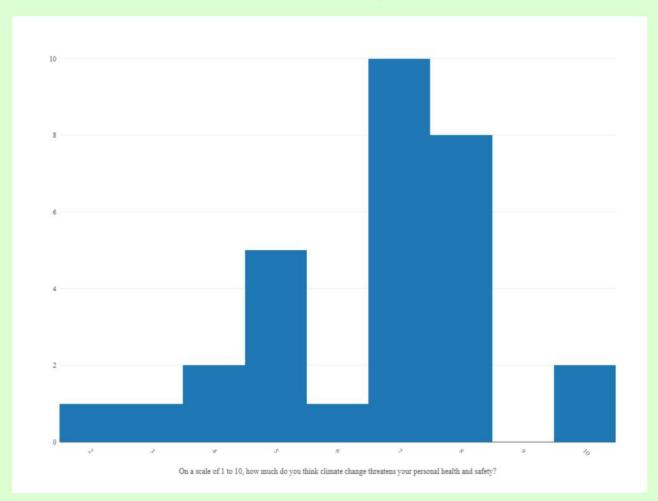
COUNT	EDUCATION LEVEL
n	Master's degree
10	High School
5	Undergraduate
3	Primary school
1	PhD degree







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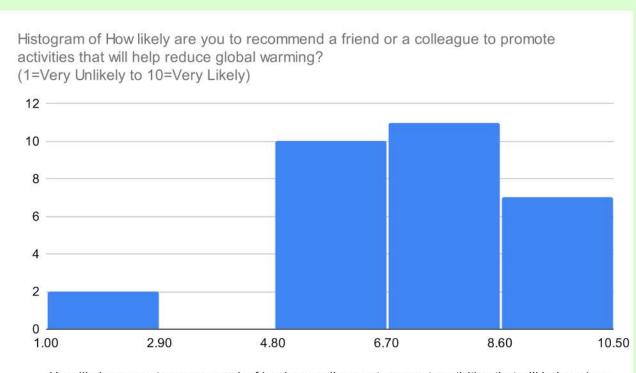








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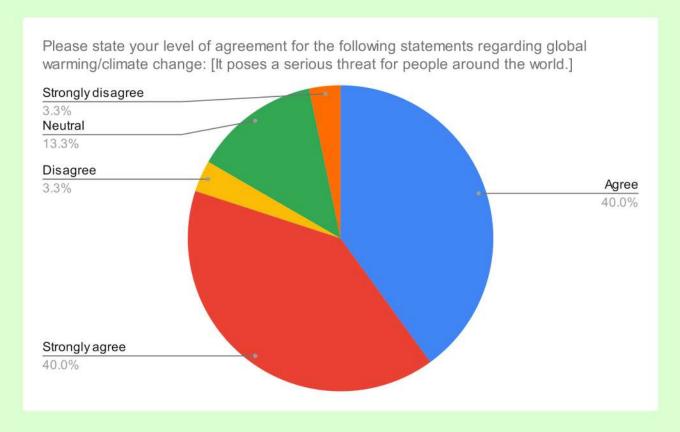
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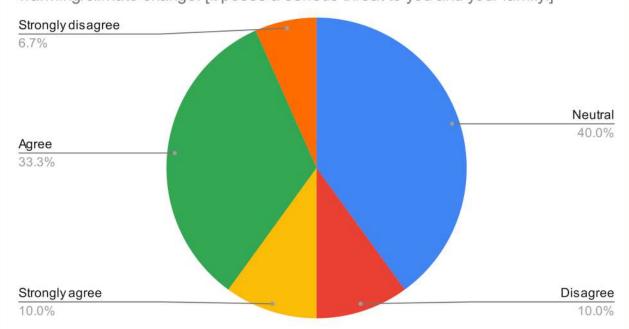






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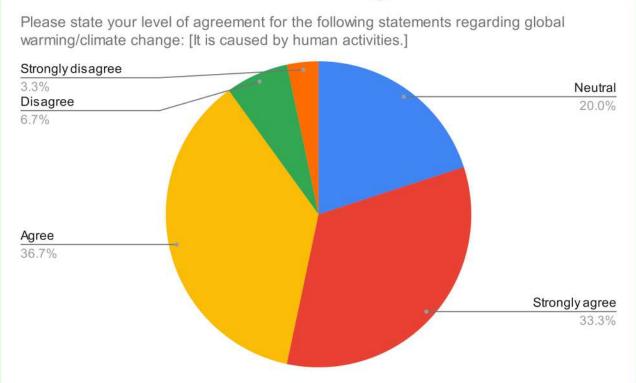








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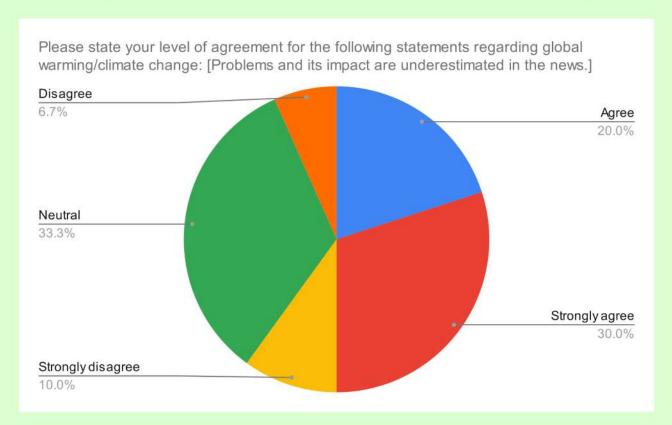








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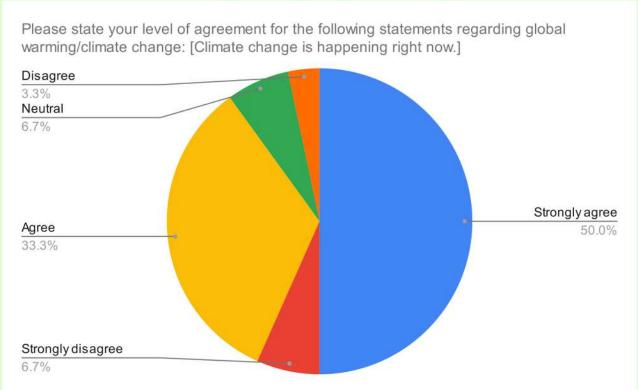








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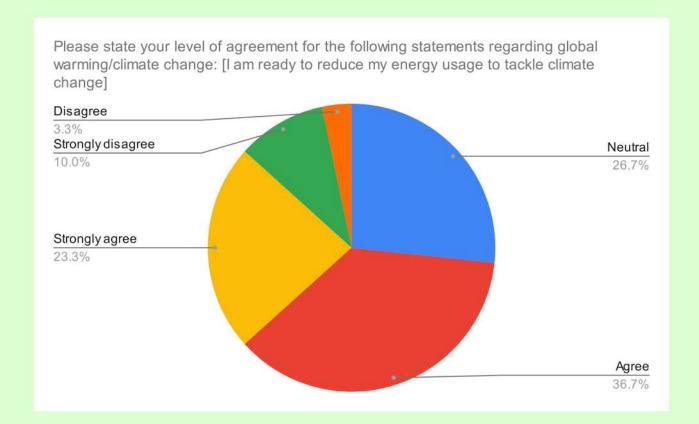








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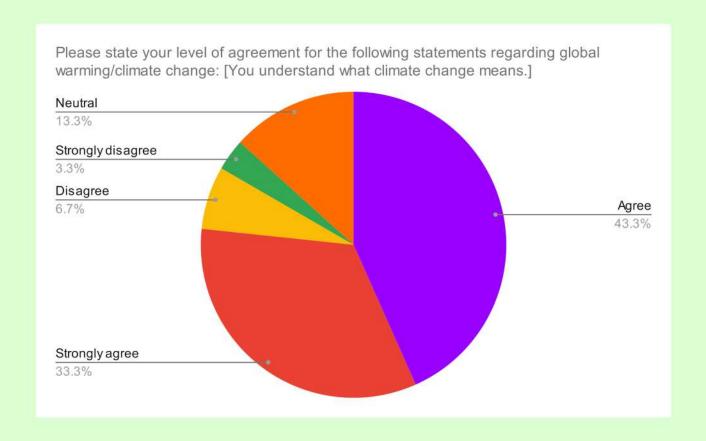








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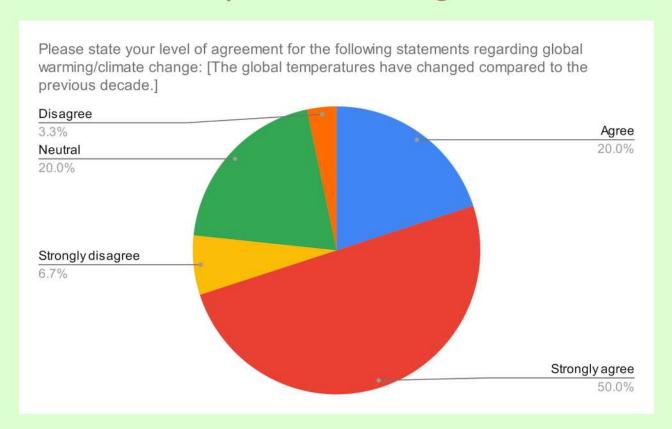








Please state your level of agreement for the following statements regarding global warming/climate change: [The global temperatures have changed compared to the previous decade.]









Survey Results of Jordan Demographics and Facts

Capital: Amman

Population: 11.5 M

Aqaba : The only port.

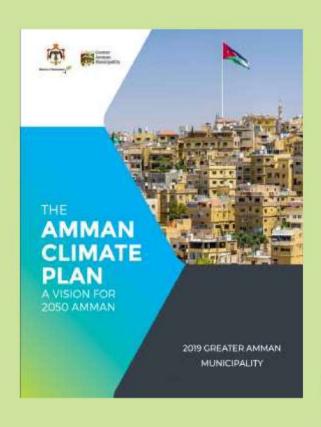
Winter temperatures:

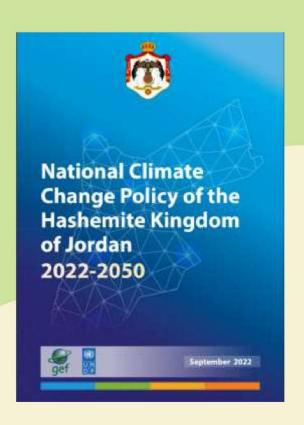
5-18 C

Summer temperatures:

25 -39 C

Efforts to combat Climate Change Policies and Plans











Climate Activities in Jordan

34.6% of vehicle trading in 2022 in Jordan





* Jordan Free Duty Zones (2023)









Wind Energy

4 fields produced almost 200 Megawatt



* Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources (2022)

Solar Energy

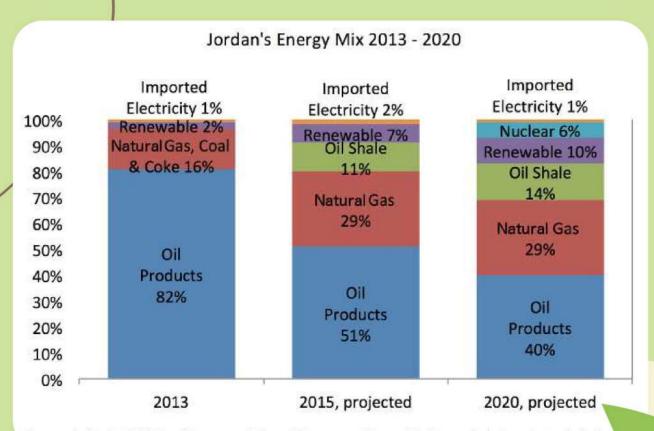
1500 Megawatt 4 fields 50k facilities

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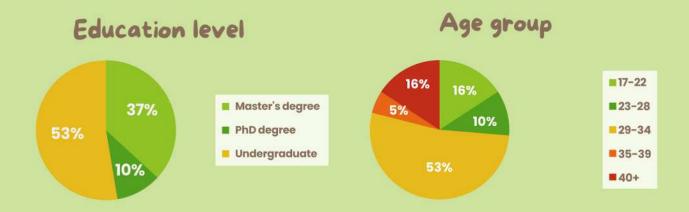
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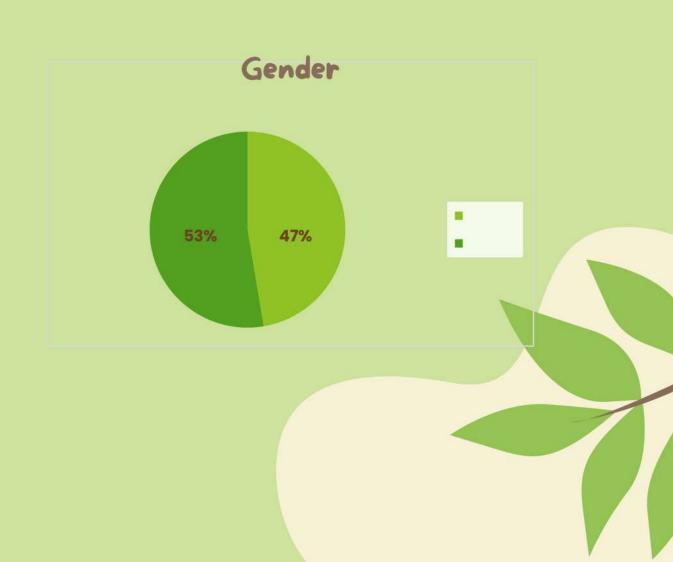






Survey Infographics





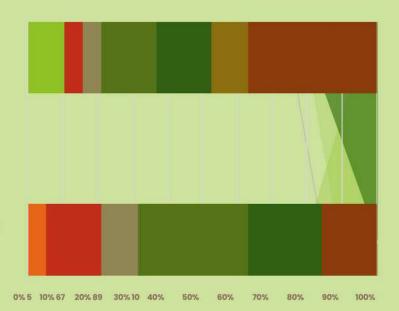






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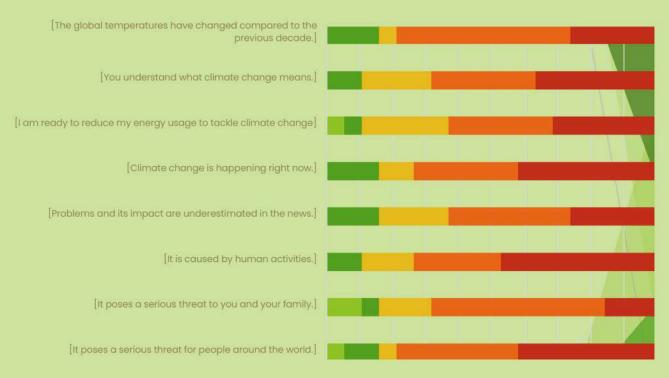




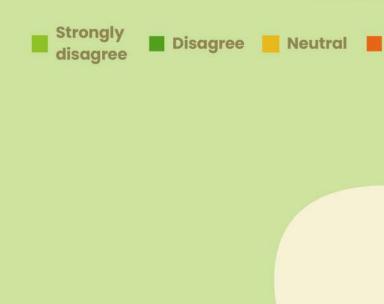




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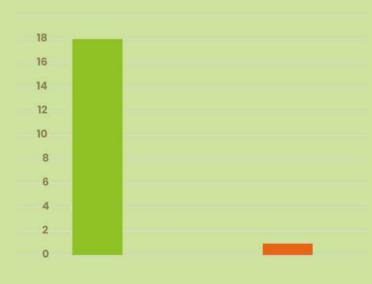






In your opinion, do you think the temperature on earth has been rising over the past decade?

Are you aware of the global policies or initiatives taken by various organizations to reduce climate change/global warming?







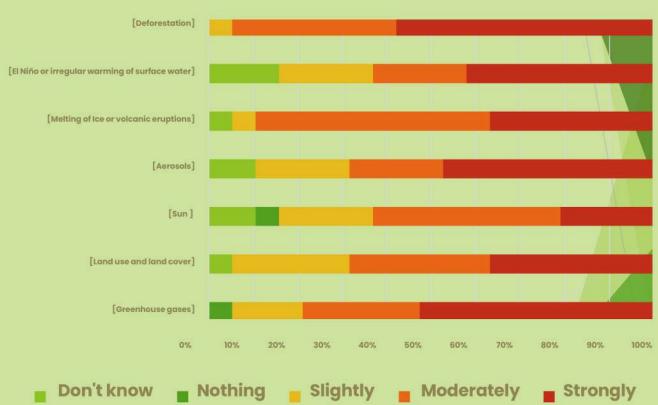








How much do you think the following has contributed to global climate change?





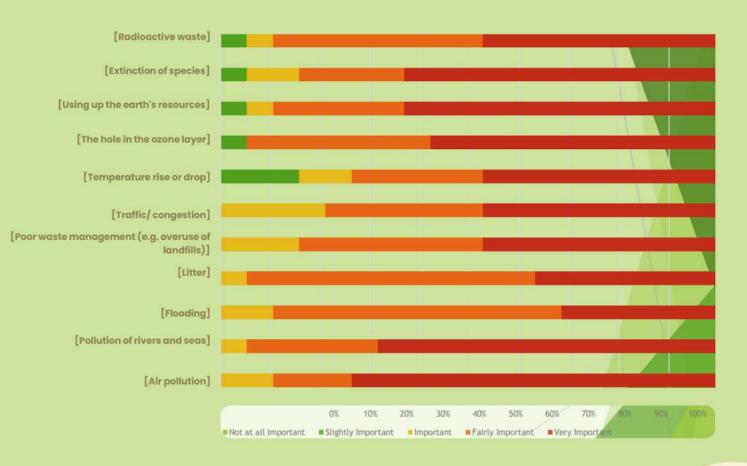








In your opinion, how important do you think the following issues are on a global scale?











What can we do?

Climate Change Mitigation: Action taken to stop climate change by reducing the amount of greenhouse gasses in the atmosphere

Climate Change Adaptation: Action taken to deal with climate change impacts and reduce the effects on lives, livelihoods and ecosystems

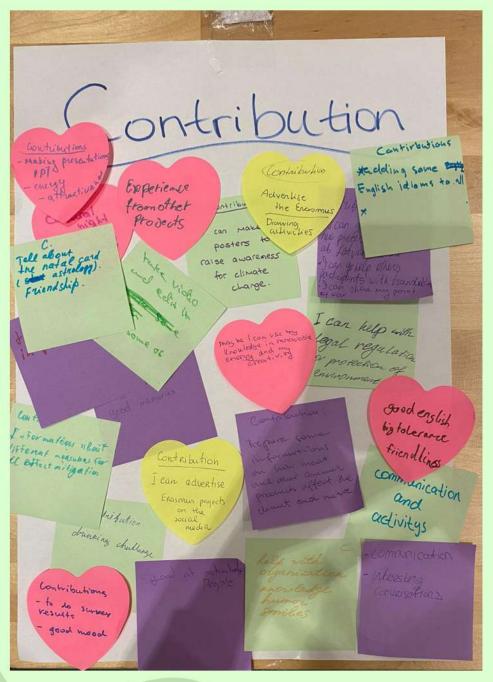






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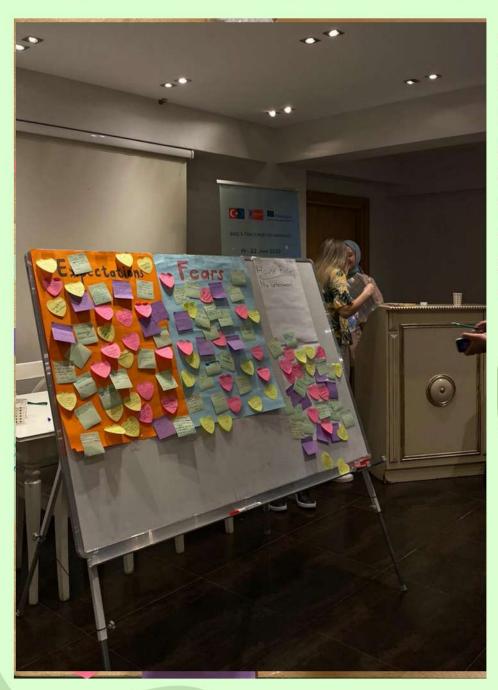






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Poster of Team

TRANSPORTATION



Drive less & Save Energy



Use public transport



Walk more



Car sharing



Electric vehicle









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Poster of Team - 2



Save the Scene!

1 Shop second hand

It reduces resource consumption, minimizes waste, supports local communities and economies and encourages a circular economy.

2 Buy only as much as you need

Reduces resource extraction and production, minimizes waste generation and encourages sustainable consumption patterns.

3 Repair and Transform

Extends the lifespan of clothes, reduces textile waste, minimizes carbon emissions.









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Poster of Team - 4

OUR VOICES ARE IMPORTANT!



Raise Awareness

Promoting environmental projects, teaching children good habits, sharing ideas, posting on social media and putting up posters.





Climate Activism

Participating in protests and creating posters.



representatives, and taking into account the environmental friendliness of political candidates.



Social Activity

climate change awareness projects, boycotting environmentally unfriendly companies.





Don't act alone!

Get involved in local communities, create a network of people, and work together!









Climate Action in 5 Parts Activity

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CLIMATE ACTION

1. Home turning off the lights...

2. Food

less meat, more local products, less waste

3. Transportation

sustainable travel, public transportation, bikes

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reduce, re-use, repair, recycle

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Group Discussion Activity

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CLIMATE CHANGE Group Discussion

Does climate change make you worry about the future?

What are you doing about it on a personal level? Have you ever considered the effect of your actions on the planet?

Will our current actions be enough to prevent the direct effects of climate change, or is it too late to make a difference?

Have you ever heard or been part of an inspiring initiative for climate change? If yes, what was it?

Will taking action make our lives better or safer, or will it only make a difference to future generations?









Street Interview Activity

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- What changes have they noticed or experienced related to climate change here?
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Share:

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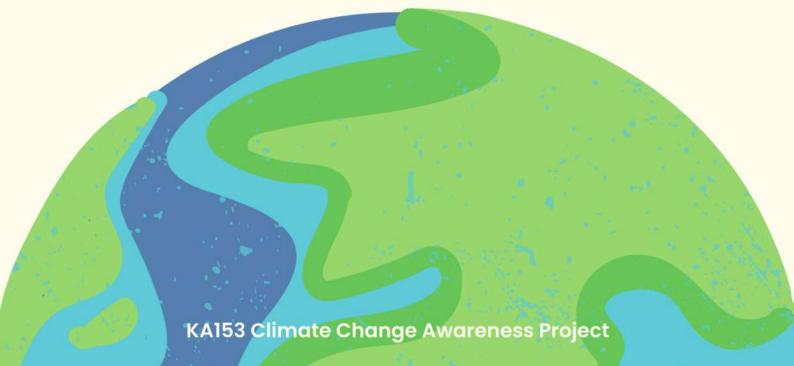


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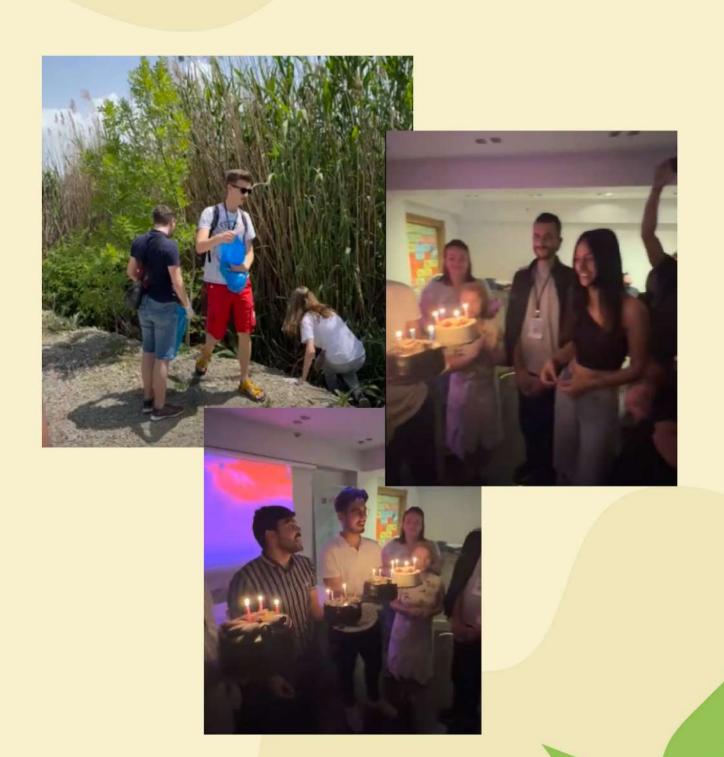






























































































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