# WHAT WORRES WORRES THE WORLD?

February 2025





# What Worries the World?

Ipsos' What Worries the World survey tracks public opinion on the most important social and political issues across 29 countries today, drawing on over ten years of data to place the latest scores in context.

#### This global summary report

presents the top concerns around the world, alongside whether people think things in their country are heading in the right or wrong direction. Full breakdowns of findings for each country and each issue are also available on **www.ipsos.com**.

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# Summary

#### 01. Crime & inflation joint first

Across 29 countries worry for crime & violence rose to 32%, equal to inflation concern. Crime concern is now the top issue in all LATAM countries and is rising in Europe, with France putting it as their primary issue.

#### 04. Rise in extremism worry

South Korea reached their all-time high for those expressing worry about the rise of extremism, up nine points to a quarter (24%). Likewise, some parts of Europe are concerned, with Germany & Sweden up four and Great Britain up five points.

#### 02. US outlook more positive

After President Trump's inauguration, the proportion of Americans saying their "country is heading in the right direction" is up eight points (41%) to a near four-year high.

#### 05. Spain relaxing on jobs

The proportion saying unemployment is an issue in Spain recorded their lowest level since they were added to the survey in March 2014 – down ten points to 28%.

#### **03. Concern in Germany**

The nation's right direction score is at a tenyear low of 17%, while those saying the economy is "good" hit its fifth consecutive alltime low (25%). Germans are also worried about immigration, putting it top at 44%.

#### **06. Health care rising in Poland**

Health care is now Poland's second biggest worry (behind inflation) after those expressing concern rose four points to two-fifths (39%).



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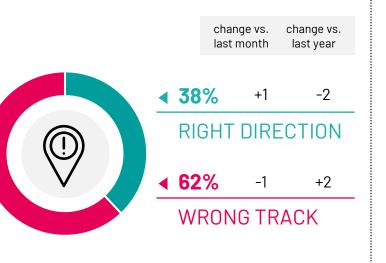
#### **Top five worries**

Q: Which three of the following topics do you find the most worrying in your country?

	change vs. last month	change vs. last year
Crime & violence		
32%	+1	+2
Inflation		
32%	=	-4
Poverty & social inequality		
28%	-1	-2
Unemployment		
27%	-1	+1
Financial/political corruption		
27%	=	+1

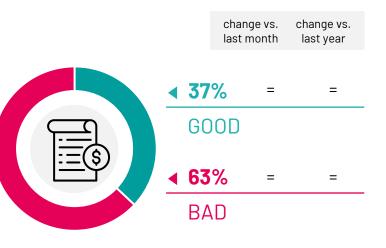
#### State of the country

Q: Generally speaking, would you say things in this country are heading in the right direction, or are they off on the wrong track?



#### State of the economy

**Q: How would you describe the current economic situation in your country?** 

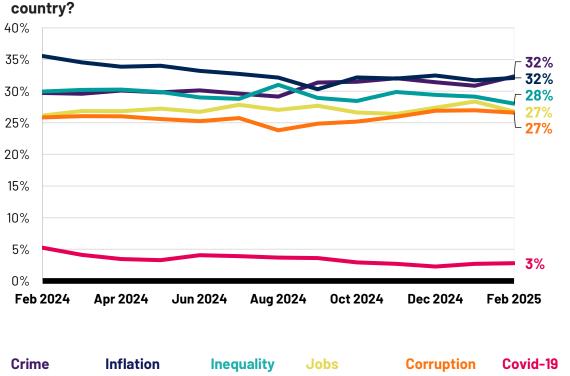


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# What Worries the World? 12 MONTH TREND

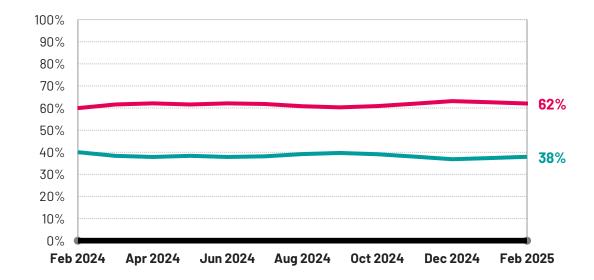
#### Top five worries



Q: Which three of the following topics do you find the most worrying in your country?

#### State of the country

Q: Generally speaking, would you say things in this country are heading in the right direction, or are they off on the wrong track?



Right Direction Wrong Track

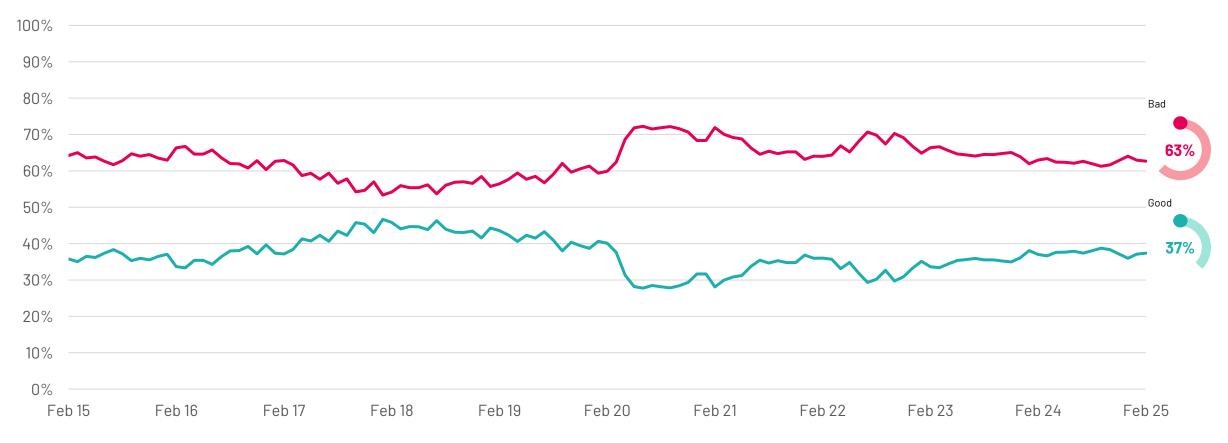


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# **Global: Current Economic Situation**

#### Q: How would you describe the current economic situation in your country?



(% 'Very good' or 'Somewhat good' & 'Very bad' or 'Somewhat bad')

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# **DIRECTION OF TRAVEL**

All countries





## Right vs. Wrong Direction Monitor

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The proportion saying their country is "heading in the right direction" across 29 countries has risen marginally to 38%.

President Trump was inaugurated on the 20<sup>th</sup> of January. Since then, the level of those saying the United States is heading in the right direction has increased eight percentage points to just over two-fifths (41%). This is the highest score we've recorded for Americans in nearly four years – the last time it was around this level was in July 2021, when it was 45%. For comparison, when President Biden was inaugurated, the right direction score dropped from 44% in January 2021 to 40% in February 2021.

Meanwhile, Germany is about to undergo a federal election on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of February. With that in mind, the nation has reached a record low for those thinking the country is on the right track after falling four points from last month to 17%. This is the lowest it has been for 10 years.



of Americans believe the country is on the right track – a near four year high.



# Right vs. Wrong Direction Monitor

Country

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World	62%	38%	D. 1 . D
Singapore	16	84%	<b>Right Directior</b>
Indonesia	21%	79%	
Malaysia	31%	69%	
India	37%	63%	Wrong Track
Thailand	38%	62%	
Argentina	38%	62%	
Mexico	42%	58%	
Poland	56%	44%	
Australia	58%	42%	
US	59%	41%	
Colombia	63%	37%	
Spain	65%	35%	
Belgium	65%	35%	
Brazil	66%	34%	
Chile	67%	33%	
Italy	68%	32%	
Great Britain	69%	31%	
Israel	71%	29%	
Sweden	75%	25%	
South Africa	75%	25%	
Netherlands	75%	25%	
Canada	75%	25%	
Japan	76%	24%	
South Korea	77%	23%	
Türkiye	78%	22%	
Hungary	82%	18%	
Germany	83%	17%	
France	87%	13%	
Peru	88%	12%	



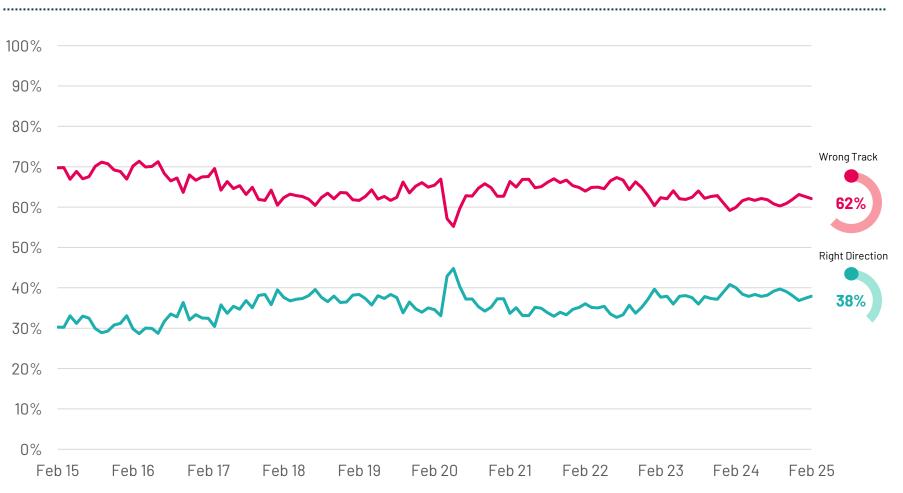
# Global Right/Wrong Direction

Global country average score

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# Q: Would you say things in this country are heading in the right direction, or are they off on the wrong track?



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# WHAT WORRIES THE WORLD?

Top issues ranked



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## World Worries: Full List

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Across 29 nations people are divided across the world on the top issue. Inflation and crime & violence are now the joint top issues, with 32% of people expressing concern for each worry. While inflation persists as a concern it does not dominate as it did in the past. Worry about the rise in crime is growing in LATAM, where it is the number one worry in all markets in the region. It's also a growing issue in Europe as France now puts it top.

This is all due to inflation

staying steady from January's score and crime increasing fractionally. This time last year, inflation was four points higher than it is now.

The rest of the worries on the list remains relatively unchanged, except for rise of extremism, which has moved up from 13<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>, with 11% concerned.



across 29 countries say crime & violence is the top worry – joint with inflation



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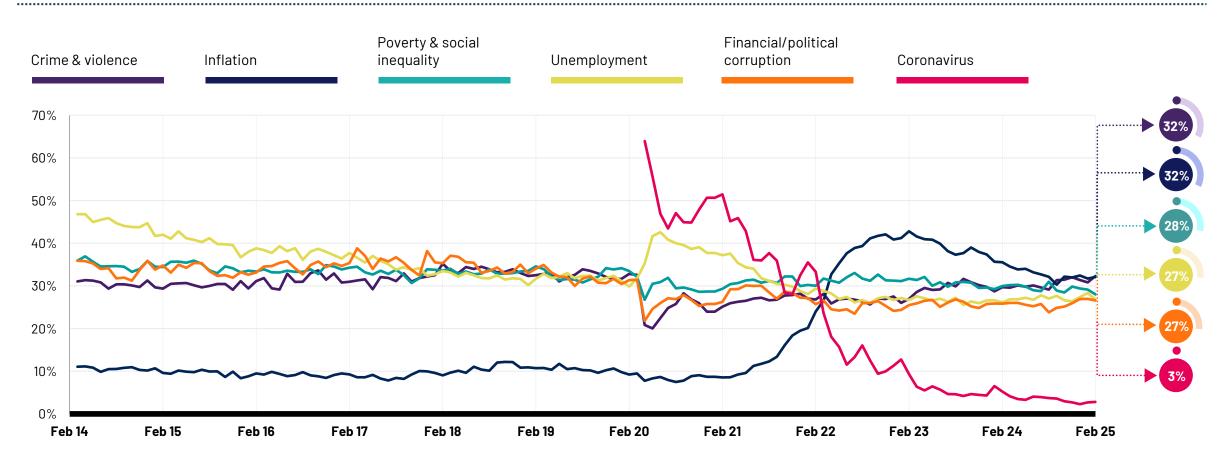


Worry	% mentioned in February 2025 (global country average)	
Crime & violence		32%
Inflation		32%
Poverty & social inequality	28%	
Unemployment	27%	
Financial/political corruption	27%	
Health care	24%	
Taxes	18%	
Immigration control	17%	
Climate change	15%	
Education	14%	
Moral decline	11%	
Rise of extremism	11%	
Military conflict between nations	9%	
Terrorism	9%	
Threats against the environment	8%	
Maintaining social programmes	7%	
Coronavirus (Covid-19)	3%	
Access to credit	2%	



# World Worries: Long-Term Trend

#### Q: Which three of the following topics do you find the most worrying in your country? Global country average



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# 1. Crime & Violence

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Crime & violence has been creeping up the list of worries for the last year. Once again, it is joint first with inflation after increasing marginally across 29 countries. The last time this happened was in November 2024 (when it was also 32%). Seventeen nations have seen a rise in worry about crime since last month.

This February, all LATAM countries on our list put crime as their primary issue. Notably, the proportion of Argentinians expressing worry has risen 10pp to 49%, its highest level since October 2023 (when it was 50%).

Similarly, Peru's has reached a fiveyear high after the share citing it increased 6pp to 66%. March 2020 (71%) was the last time levels were this high.

Likewise, parts of Europe are experiencing heightened worry. It has now become France's main worry after increasing six points to 38%, while Germany (36%) and Great Britain (29%) are up seven and Italy (31%) by five points.

Countries where CRIME & VIOLENCE is the #1 concern:

- Chile (67%) Argentina (49%)
- Peru (66%) Colombia (42%)
- Sweden (65%)
  Brazil (38%; joint with inequality)
  - France(38%)



say **crime & violence** is one of the key issues facing their country



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Country	% choosing crime & violence as a worry	last month	change
World	32%	+1	+2
Chile	67%	+1	-2
Peru	66%	+5	+8
Sweden	65%	=	+5
Mexico	59%	+3	-4
South Africa	52%	+1	-2
Argentina	49%	+10	+7
Colombia	42%	+6	+2
Brazil	38%	=	-3
France	38%	+6	+12
Germany	36%	+7	+16
Australia	33%	=	+6
Israel	32%	+5	+2
Italy	31%	+5	+6
Great Britain	29%	+7	+8
US	28%	+4	+2
Malaysia	28%	-1	+5
Thailand	27%	+1	-7
Türkiye	27%	-1	+5
Netherlands	26%	-1	+2
Belgium	25%	-1	+2
Japan	24%	-5	+11
India	22%	-2	-1
Indonesia	21%	+2	+1
Canada	19%	-1	+1
Spain	18%	+2	+1
South Korea	14%	+2	-9
Poland	10%	+3	+2
Hungary	7%	-4	-1
Singapore	7%	-6	=



Change from 12-month

# **2. Inflation**

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Inflation as a worry across 29 countries remains at 32% expressing concern. This is the second time since April 2022, it shares the top spot with crime & violence.

Since President Trump announced his plans to implement tariffs on Canada, we have seen the proportion of Canadians saying they are worried about rising prices increase 5pp to 49%. However, this isn't unusual, with February 2024's score being five points higher and the highest score for

#### 2024.

Great Britain, on the other hand, has seen concern fall by 6pp to 28%. This is the second lowest score in three years, with August 2024 recording 27%.

# Countries where INFLATION is the #1 concern:

- Singapore (56%) Poland (40%)
- Türkiye (54%) India (34%)
- Australia (50%)
- Canada(49%)
- The US(42%)



say **inflation** is one of the key issues facing their country



# 2. Inflation

56% Singapore +1 = 54% Türkiye -4 +4 50% +6 Australia -1 49% +5 -6 Canada 45% +2 +8 Hungary US 42% +3 +3 40% -6 Poland -6 36% -33 Argentina +1 Brazil 35% +7 +12 34% -15 India -10 33% -8 South Korea = 32% +2 +6 Japan 32% -12 -2 France Thailand 31% +5 +6 31% -6 Malaysia +1 31% Germany -1 -6 Mexico 30% -5 +1 29% +3 Spain -1 28% -12 Great Britain -6 +2 Belgium 26% -8 Italy 26% +2 -4 Chile 25% -3 +1 23% +4 Netherlands +4 20% +2 Indonesia -1 Colombia 20% -2 -8 South Africa 19% -1 -6 Sweden 19% +3 -5 -2 +1 Israel 18% -7 Peru 16% =

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% choosing inflation as a worry

32%

Country

World

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Change from 12-month

last month

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-4

# **3. Poverty & Social Inequality**

Poverty and social inequality across 29 countries has decreased slightly this month to 28%.

Hungary is now the most concerned country after the proportion mentioning inequality rose 5pp to 44%. However, this is 3pp lower than this time last year. It is Hungarians' top concern, with 56% saying health care is an issue.

Conversely, Argentina's score is down 6pp, with 38% expressing worry. This is also 7pp lower than this time last year.

# Countries where POVERTY & SOCIAL INEQUALITY is the #1 concern:

- Brazil (38%; joint with crime)
- Japan(33%)

# 28%

say **poverty & social inequality** is one of the key issues facing their country



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aged 16-74 in 29 participating countries, January

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Country	% choosing poverty & social inequality as a worry	last month cl	hange
World	28%	-1 -1	2
Hungary	44%	+5 -3	3
Indonesia	43%	+1 -:	2
Türkiye	38%	+2 +	8
Argentina	38%	-6 -	7
Brazil	38%	+2 -2	2
Thailand	37%	-1 =	=
Japan	33%	-1 +	-1
South Africa	32%	+4 =	=
Germany	30%	-1 -4	4
Netherlands	29%	+1 -5	3
Mexico	28%	= -!	5
Great Britain	28%	+4 +	3
France	28%	=	4
Peru	28%	7	2
Colombia	28%		5
Australia	27%		2
Malaysia	26%	2(	6
Belgium	26%	+1 -4	4
Italy	26%		3
Canada	24%		3
Chile	23%	22	2
Israel	23%	-3 +	5
Sweden	22%		3
Spain	21%		6
South Korea	21%		6
Singapore	20%	+6 +	·1
Poland	19%	-4 =	
US	16%		5
India	15%	-6 -	1



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## 4. Unemployment

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Across 29 countries the share of people expressing concern over unemployment has fallen slightly to 27%.

Spain's level of worry this month has dropped to a record low. The proportion of Spaniards specifying jobs fell 10pp to 28%. Not only is this 7pp lower than February 2024, it is the lowest level we have recorded for the country since they were added to the survey back in March 2014.

Meanwhile, South Korea's score is up 5pp to 40% who are

worried about jobs. However, this time last year was only marginally higher.

#### Countries where UNEMPLOYMENT is the #1 concern:

• South Africa (64%)



say **unemployment** is one of the key issues facing their country



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Country	% choosing unemployment as a worry	last month	change
World	27%	-1	+1
South Africa	64%	-5	-1
Indonesia	48%	-1	+7
Argentina	46%	=	+9
Colombia	40%	-1	+3
South Korea	40%	+5	+1
Singapore	39%	-1	-2
Peru	38%	+2	=
Mexico	35%	+4	+3
Italy	34%	-3	-1
Malaysia	33%	=	+3
India	30%	-13	-13
Thailand	29%	-2	+4
Spain	28%	-10	-7
Chile	27%	-6	+1
Türkiye	23%	-5	+1
Sweden	23%	-1	+7
Australia	22%	=	+3
Canada	21%	+2	+3
Belgium	19%	+3	+2
Poland	19%	=	+5
Brazil	17%	-7	-6
Hungary	16%	+1	-1
Japan	16%	=	-4
US	15%	-1	-1
France	15%	+1	+6
Great Britain	14%	-2	-1
Germany	11%	-2	+1
Israel	10%	-2	-2
Netherlands	4%	-4	=



Change from 12-month

## 5. Financial/ Political Corruption

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Across 29 countries the proportion mentioning financial/political corruption remains at 27%. This is up slightly from this time last year.

After political turmoil struck South Korea in December 2024 concern for corruption has remained at an elevated despite falling marginally to 48% saying it is one of the main issues facing the country. Compared to this time last year, South Korea's score is 16 points higher.

The only country this month to

experience significant change is Indonesia after increasing 8pp to 64%. It has been the top concern since they were added in August 2022.

#### Countries where FINANCIAL/POLITICAL CORRUPTION is the #1 concern:

- Indonesia(64%) Thailand(38%)
- S. Korea(48%) Spain(34%)
- Malaysia(47%)



say **financial/political corruption** is one of the key issues facing their country



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World	27%	=	+1
Indonesia	64%	+8	+6
Peru	49%	-5	-2
South Korea	48%	-2	+16
Hungary	48%	+1	+7
Malaysia	47%	=	=
South Africa	47%	+1	-2
Thailand	38%	-5	=
Colombia	34%	-4	-1
Spain	34%	+1	+11
Israel	31%	+1	+3
Chile	30%	-2	=
Poland	29%	=	-1
Brazil	29%	-1	+1
Türkiye	27%	+5	+6
US	25%	-2	+2
Argentina	24%	-1	-2
Japan	22%	=	-11
Mexico	22%	-2	+3
India	21%	-5	=
Belgium	15%	+4	-5
Canada	13%	-1	+3
Great Britain	12%	+2	-2
Italy	12%	=	=
Australia	11%	+1	=
Sweden	11%	=	=
Netherlands	10%	+4	+3
France	9%	=	+1
Germany	7%	=	-1
Singapore	5%	-6	-9



Change from 12-month

# 6. Health Care

Health care as a concern across 29 countries remains at 24% mentioning it.

The proportion of Poles citing health care as one of the main problems facing the country has increased 4pp to 39%. It sits just behind inflation (40%) in terms of Poles' biggest issues and is 6pp higher than February 2024's score.

Likewise, Belgium's score has risen 4pp to 25% expressing worry. This is 9pp higher than this time last year and is also the highest score for the country since June 2020 (when it was 26%). It is joint third highest along with crime & violence for Belgians.

#### Countries where HEALTH CARE is the #1 concern:

- Hungary (66%)
- Great Britain (40%)
- Italy(38%)
- The Netherlands (33%)



say **health care** is one of the key issues facing their country

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Country	% choosing health care as a worry	last month change
World	24%	= +3
Hungary	66%	+5 +6
Canada	40%	-4 -1
Great Britain	40%	-2 +2
Poland	39%	+4 +6
Italy	38%	+2 +6
Brazil	38%	+1 +2
Singapore	35%	= +4
Spain	33%	+2 +5
Netherlands	33%	+2 =
Australia	31%	= +1
France	27%	-2 +3
Belgium	25%	+4 +9
US	24%	-7 +2
Sweden	24%	+1 +4
Colombia	23%	-1 +6
Peru	20%	+7 +4
Mexico	17%	-2 +2
Germany	17%	-1 +1
South Africa	16%	= +5
Argentina	16%	-1 +6
Chile	15%	= +4
South Korea	14%	= +8
India	13%	-1 =
Thailand	12%	-1 +2
Malaysia	10%	= +3
Japan	10%	-1 -2
Israel	8%	+3 +1
Indonesia	8%	-1 +2
Türkiye	6%	+1 +2



Change from 12-month

# 8. Immigration Control

Immigration control as an issue across 29 countries has risen fractionally this month to 17% mentioning it.

This issue is acutely felt in Germany. The country has experienced the biggest change in concern after climbing 9pp since January to 44% expressing worry. This is also 9pp higher than February 2024's level.

This is the joint highest score, with November 2024 and October 2023 recording the same. The next highest was in March 2018, when 49% of Germans said they were worried. Countries where IMMIGRATION CONTROL is the #1 concern:

• Germany(44%)



say **immigration control** is one of the key issues facing their country

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Country	% choosing immigration control as a worry	last month	change
World	17%	+1	+1
Chile	49%	+4	+4
Germany	44%	+9	+9
Great Britain	32%	-3	+3
Canada	28%	+1	+6
US	27%	=	=
Türkiye	25%	=	-10
France	24%	+1	+2
Belgium	23%	-3	-4
Netherlands	22%	-3	-13
Italy	21%	+4	+6
Spain	21%	-1	=
Sweden	17%	-2	-2
Poland	17%	+3	+5
Australia	16%	-4	=
Mexico	15%	+7	+5
South Africa	14%	-2	+3
Singapore	13%	+1	=
Japan	13%	+1	+6
Peru	12%	+1	-3
Malaysia	12%	+1	-1
India	11%	+6	+7
Colombia	10%	=	+2
Thailand	8%	+1	+4
Israel	5%	+1	-1
Hungary	3%	-4	-6
Argentina	3%	=	+1
South Korea	2%	=	+1
Indonesia	2%	=	-2
Brazil	1%	+1	-1



Change from 12-month

# 9. Climate Change

Across 29 countries the proportion mentioning climate change remains at 15%, which is slightly lower than February 2024's score.

Thailand has seen the biggest shift in concern with a quarter (26%) saying it is one of the main issues facing the country. This is 8pp higher than last month and 10pp higher than this time last year.

Countries where CLIMATE CHANGE is the #1 concern:

None



say **climate change** is one of the key issues facing their country

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# 9. Climate Change

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**Source:** Ipsos Global Advisor. Global score is a Global Country Average. See methodology for details. **Filter:** Country: World | Current Wave: Feb 25

Country	% choosing climate change as a worry	Change from 12-month last month change
World	15%	= -1
Singapore	28%	-1 +2
Japan	26%	= -1
Thailand	26%	+8 +10
Netherlands	22%	-2 -6
Australia	22%	-2 -3
US	20%	+3 =
Germany	19%	-3 -2
Belgium	19%	+1 +3
Spain	19%	= +1
Italy	18%	-4 -3
Great Britain	18%	-6 -2
Canada	16%	-2 -5
South Korea	16%	+2 =
Poland	16%	-1 -4
France	16%	-5 -5
Indonesia	15%	= -5
Sweden	15%	-2 =
Brazil	12%	-3 -2
Mexico	12%	-2 -1
Colombia	11%	-1 -14
India	11%	+2 +1
Türkiye	10%	+2 +5
Malaysia	9%	-1 +3
Peru	8%	+4 -3
South Africa	8%	-4 -1
Hungary	5%	= -1
Chile	5%	= -4
Argentina	3%	-2 -2
Israel	2%	= -1



## 12. Rise Of Extremism

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**Base:** Representative sample of 25,746 adults aged 16-74 in 29 participating countries, January 24th 2025 - February 7th 2025.

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The proportion mentioning the rise of extremism across 29 countries is up from last month to 11%. This is three points higher than February 2024.

For South Korea, the rise of extremism has become the fourth biggest issue, overtaking inequality. The share of Koreans expressing worry has increased 9pp since last month to 24%, which is 15pp higher than February 2024 and is the highest score we've recorded for the nation since they were added to the survey in March

#### 2014.

Parts of Europe have also increased in concern. Germany (23%) and Sweden (17%) are up 4pp and Great Britain (15%) has increased 5pp.



say **rise of extremism** is one of the key issues facing their country



# 12. Rise Of Extremism

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Country	% choosing rise of extremism as a worry	Change from 12-month last month change
World	11%	+2 +3
Netherlands	26%	+2 +8
Israel	24%	+6 =
South Korea	24%	+9 +15
Germany	23%	+4 +2
Sweden	17%	+4 +2
Belgium	16%	+2 -2
Spain	16%	+3 +5
US	16%	= +2
Great Britain	15%	+5 +7
France	14%	-4 +1
Poland	13%	+4 +5
Canada	13%	+2 +7
Australia	12%	+2 +5
India	12%	+8 +7
Malaysia	11%	-1 -1
Italy	8%	+2 +3
Brazil	7%	-2 +2
Singapore	6%	= +2
Colombia	4%	-1 +2
Hungary	4%	-1 +1
Argentina	4%	= +2
Chile	4%	= -3
Mexico	3%	+1 =
Thailand	3%	+1 -2
Japan	3%	= +1
Türkiye	3%	-1 -3
Peru	3%	+1 =
Indonesia	1%	-2 -3
South Africa	1%	-1 -1



# 14. Terrorism

Across 29 countries the proportion mentioning terrorism remains at 9%.

After <u>recent violence in</u> <u>northeast Colombia</u>, the number of those expressing concern has risen 11pp to 23%, which is 11pp higher than this time last year.

Countries where TERRORISM is the #1 concern:

• Israel(47%)



say **terrorism** is one of the key issues facing their country

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# 14. Terrorism

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		last month	change
World	9%	=	=
Israel	47%	-1	-6
Colombia	23%	+11	+11
Türkiye	15%	+1	-5
Peru	14%	+4	+6
India	14%	-4	-5
Sweden	13%	+2	-3
Germany	12%	-4	+5
France	11%	=	=
US	11%	+4	-1
Malaysia	9%	-1	+4
Great Britain	9%	+2	+1
Singapore	7%	+1	=
Belgium	7%	-5	+1
Chile	7%	+2	-2
Netherlands	7%	-4	+2
Mexico	6%	+1	-2
Thailand	5%	-2	-5
Italy	4%	-1	+1
Australia	5%	-1	+1
Indonesia	3%	-1	-4
Poland	3%	1	-3
Spain	3%	=	-4
Japan	3%	+1	=
Canada	2%	1	-1
Argentina	2%	-2	=
South Korea	2%	-1	-2
Hungary	2%	=	+1
Brazil	2%	=	=
South Africa	1%	-1	=



Change from 12-month

change

last month

% choosing terrorism as a worry

Country

## **17. Coronavirus** (Covid-19)

The proportion across 29 countries mentioning coronavirus remains at 3%.

We will continue to track attitudes to Coronavirus as we enter the fifth anniversary of the pandemic.

> **Countries where** CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) is the #1 concern:

None

3% say coronavirus (covid-19) is one of the key issues facing their

country

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# 17. Coronavirus (Covid-19)

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Country	% choosing coronavirus (covid-19) as a worry	last month	change
World	3%	=	-2
Malaysia	9%	+2	-3
Thailand	9%	-1	-8
India	6%	+2	-2
Singapore	5%	-2	-9
Japan	5%	=	-5
Mexico	5%	=	-4
Indonesia	3%	=	-4
Türkiye	3%	=	-4
US	3%	=	-3
Peru	3%	+1	-1
Brazil	3%	=	-1
Israel	3%	+2	+2
South Korea	2%	=	-1
Poland	2%	=	-2
Belgium	2%		=
Canada	2%	+1	-2
South Africa	2%	+1	-1
France	2%	=	-2
Great Britain	2%	=	-2
Chile	2%	+1	=
Australia	2%	-1	-3
Hungary	1%	=	-3
Italy	1%	=	-2
Spain	1%	=	-3
Sweden	1%	=	-2
Argentina	1%	=	=
Netherlands	1%	+1	-1
Colombia	1%	=	-1
Germany	0%	-2	-3



Change from 12-month

# ECONOMIC FOCUS



## The State of the Economy in my Country

### Running alongside our What Worries the World survey, Ipsos' monthly Global Consumer

**Confidence** study asks the public in 29 countries questions relating to the economy and finance, on a country and personal level. The following section draws on some of this data to provide extra context to this month's What Worries the World report. It shows how the public rate the current economic climate in their country.

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Across 29 countries, 37% of people describe their country's current economic situation as "good".

Asia-pacific countries crowd the top of the rankings, led by Singapore (80% good economy score), followed by India (77%) and Malaysia (69%). The Netherlands (58%) is the only non-Asian country where a majority describe the current economic situation as good.

Up most from this time last year continues to be Argentina (+28pp to 34%). In contrast, Brazil's good economy score has fallen 14 points since February 2024.

Germany also sees another bad month, down slightly to record its fifth consecutive all-time low good economy score of 25%.

Top countries most worried about the economy:

- South Korea (89% say it's in a "bad" shape)
- France (88%)
- Japan (88%)
- Hungary (83%)



Germany records its fifth consecutive all-time low score this month at 25%.





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World	63%	37%
Singapore	20%	80%
India	23%	77%
Malaysia	31%	69%
Netherlands	42%	58%
Indonesia		56%
Mexico	51%	49%
Thailand	53%	47%
Poland	55%	45%
Belgium	57%	43%
Australia	57%	43%
Sweden	59%	41%
Spain	61%	39%
US	63%	37%
Israel	66%	34%
Argentina	66%	34%
Chile	67%	33%
Colombia	67%	33%
Italy	69%	31%
Brazil	71%	29%
South Africa	72%	28%
Canada	72%	28%
Peru	74%	26%
Germany	75%	25%
Türkiye	78%	22%
Great Britain	78%	22%
Hungary	83%	17%
Japan	88%	12%
France	88%	12%
South Korea	89%	11%

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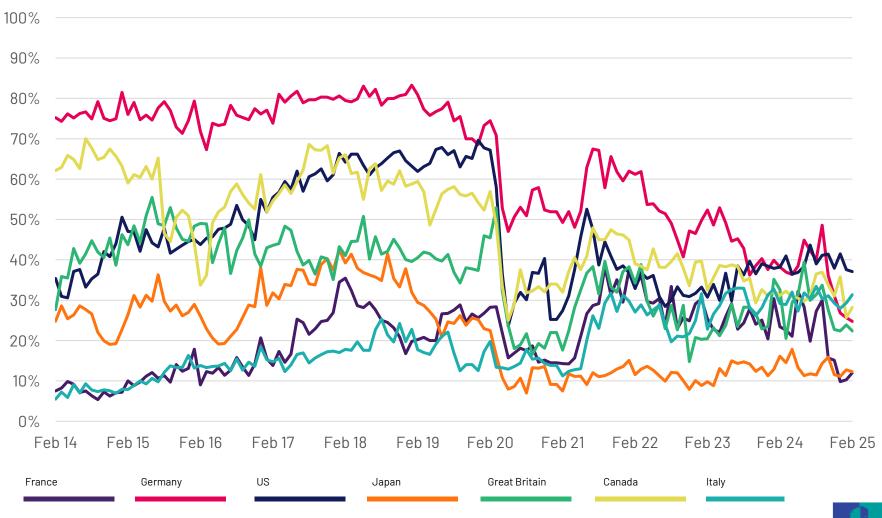
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#### Argentina

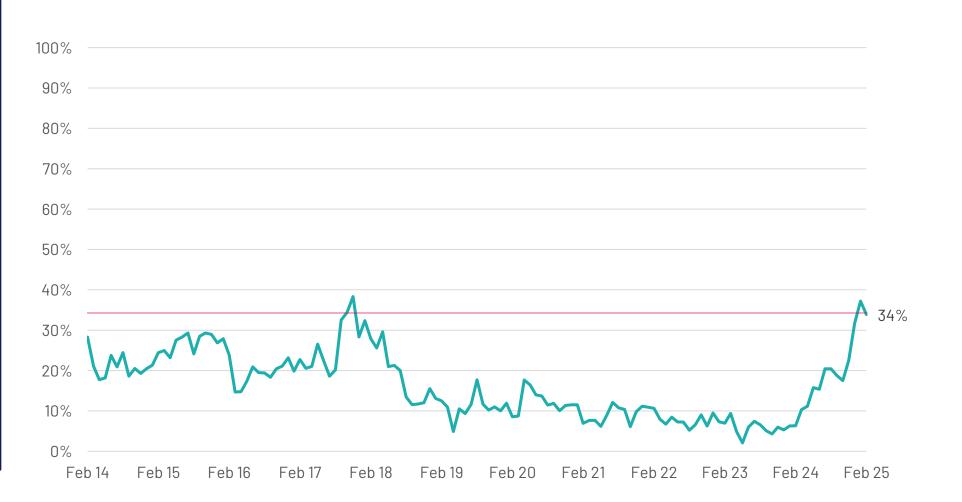
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Although down 3 points this month, Argentina's good economy score remains 28 points higher than this time last year.

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#### Q: How would you describe the current economic situation in your country?





#### Brazil

% 'Very good' or 'Somewhat good'

Brazil's good economy score has fallen most over the past 12 months, down 14 points to 29% in February 2025.

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#### Canada

% 'Very good' or 'Somewhat good'

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#### France

% 'Very good' or 'Somewhat good'

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#### Germany

% 'Very good' or 'Somewhat good'

This month Germany records its fifth consecutive all-time lowest good economy score, falling to 25%. Germany now ranks 23<sup>rd</sup> of 29 countries in our survey, its lowest ever ranking.

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#### Q: How would you describe the current economic situation in your country?





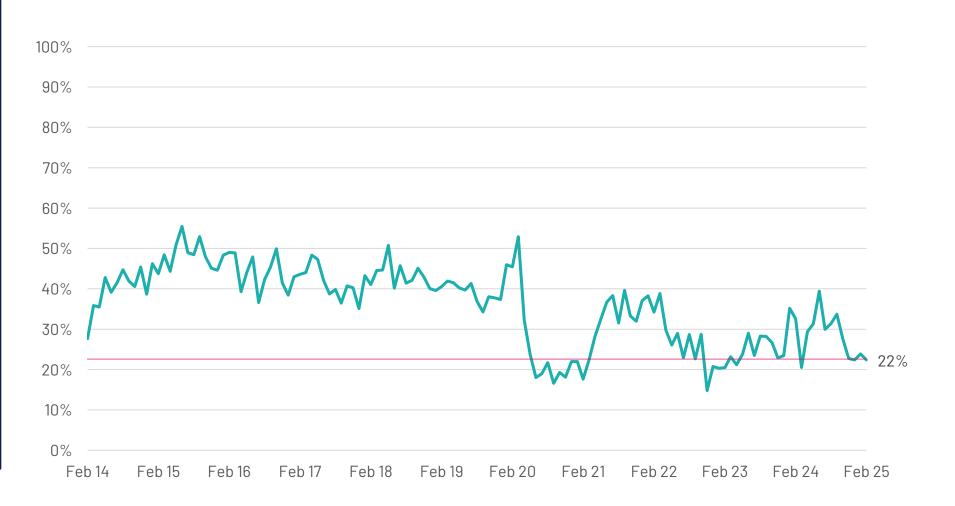
#### Great Britain

% 'Very good' or 'Somewhat good'

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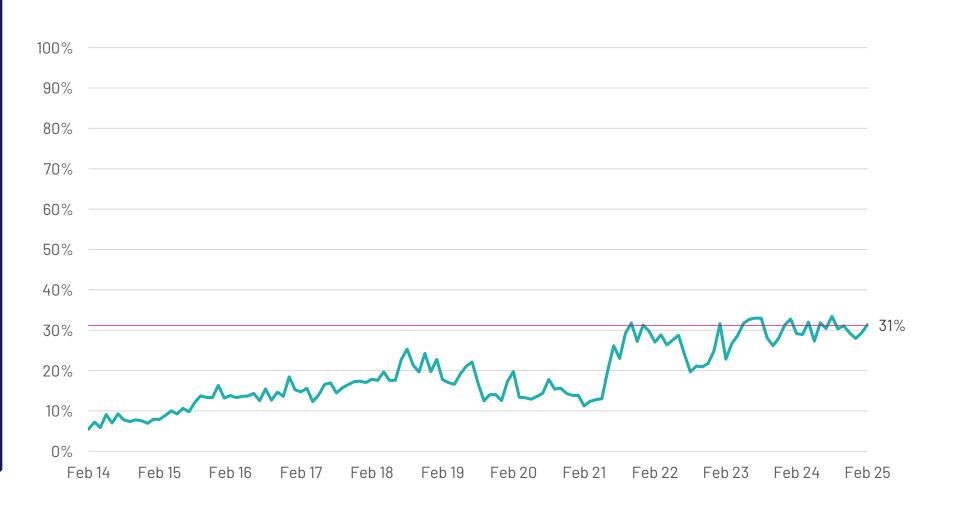
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#### Italy

% 'Very good' or 'Somewhat good'

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#### Japan

% 'Very good' or 'Somewhat good'

**Base:** Representative sample of 25,746 adults aged 16-74 in 29 participating countries, January 24th 2025 - February 7th 2025.







#### Netherlands

% 'Very good' or 'Somewhat good'

Despite a 2-point fall from last month, the Netherlands remains the only non-Asian country where a majority say the country's current economic situation is good.

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#### Q: How would you describe the current economic situation in your country?





#### Peru

% 'Very good' or 'Somewhat good'

This month, Peru records its highest score since June 2021 (also 26%).

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#### Spain

% 'Very good' or 'Somewhat good'

Spain is one of few countries where the public's perception of the country's economy has recovered from the Covid-19 pandemic and appears unaffected by the cost-of-living crisis.

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#### US

% 'Very good' or 'Somewhat good'

Perceptions have remained stable in the US over the past 12 months, rising no higher than 44% and falling no lower than 36%.

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## Methodology

This 29-country Global Advisor survey was conducted between January 24th 2025 and February 7th 2025 via the Ipsos Online Panel system among 25,746 adults aged 18-74 in Canada, Israel, Malaysia, South Africa, Türkiye and the United States, 20-74 in Indonesia and Thailand, 21-74 in Singapore, and 16-74 in all other nations.

The "Global Country Average" reflects the average result for all the countries where the survey was conducted. It has not been adjusted to the population size of each country and is not intended to suggest a total result."

The sample consists of approximately 1000+ individuals in each of Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, France, Germany, Great Britain, Italy, Japan, Spain, Sweden, and the US, and approximately 500+ individuals in each of Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Hungary, Indonesia, Israel, Malaysia, Mexico, the Netherlands, Peru, Poland, Singapore, South Africa, South Korea, Thailand and Türkiye. The sample in India consists of approximately 2,200 individuals, of whom approximately 1,800 were interviewed faceto-face and 400 were interviewed online.

The samples in Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Canada, France, Germany, Great Britain, Hungary, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, Poland, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, and the US can be taken as representative of these countries' general adult population under the age of 75.

The samples in Brazil, Chile, Colombia, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mexico, Peru, Singapore, South Africa, Thailand and Türkiye are more urban, more educated, and/or more affluent than the general population. The survey results for these markets should be viewed as reflecting the views of the more "connected" segment of these populations.

India's sample represents a large subset of its urban population — social economic

classes A, B and C in metros and tier 1-3 town classes across all four zones.

Weighting has been employed to balance demographics and ensure that the sample's composition reflects that of the adult population according to the most recent census data.

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