

Appendix table 7-20

Public assessment of whether modern science does more harm than good, by country/economy: 1993, 2000, and 2010

Country/economy	1993		2000		2010							Can't choose/ no answer (%)
	Number	Mean score ^a	Number	Mean score ^a	Number	Mean score ^a	Agreement, on scale of 1–5 (%)					
							Strongly agree 1	Agree 2	Neither agree nor disagree 3	Disagree 4	Strongly disagree 5	
United States	1,459	4.0	1,150	3.0	1,358	4.0	3	11	21	45	15	4
Argentina	NA	NA	NA	NA	1,052	3.0	3	32	25	28	4	7
Australia	1,757	3.0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Austria	NA	NA	913	3.0	1,000	3.0	5	24	22	36	11	2
Belgium	NA	NA	NA	NA	1,090	3.0	3	12	33	40	8	5
Bulgaria	932	3.0	807	4.0	883	3.0	6	20	30	28	5	11
Canada	1,423	4.0	1,084	4.0	961	4.0	2	10	23	40	23	2
Chile	NA	NA	1,447	3.0	1,349	3.0	4	34	36	18	3	6
Croatia	NA	NA	NA	NA	1,180	3.0	6	20	36	28	8	2
Czech Republic	966	3.0	1,186	4.0	1,379	3.0	5	16	28	35	12	3
Denmark	NA	NA	983	4.0	1,226	4.0	3	10	17	27	37	6
Finland	NA	NA	1,367	4.0	1,143	4.0	3	11	16	40	26	5
France	NA	NA	NA	NA	2,103	3.0	5	15	28	31	15	6
Germany	NA	NA	NA	NA	1,318	4.0	4	12	19	40	18	6
Germany (East)	1,031	4.0	504	4.0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Germany (West)	962	3.0	913	4.0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Great Britain ^b	1,157	3.0	928	3.0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Hungary	1,050	3.0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Ireland	928	3.0	1,158	3.0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Israel	1,142	4.0	1,198	3.0	1,157	4.0	3	16	22	36	18	5
Italy	979	3.0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Japan	1,190	3.0	1,052	3.0	1,186	3.0	1	7	47	23	12	9
Latvia	NA	NA	922	3.0	915	3.0	5	16	26	35	10	9
Lithuania	NA	NA	NA	NA	930	3.0	3	16	28	38	8	8
Mexico	NA	NA	1,190	3.0	1,595	3.0	20	30	20	21	7	3
Netherlands	1,752	4.0	1,547	4.0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
New Zealand	1,220	4.0	1,072	4.0	1,127	4.0	3	16	24	41	13	3
Northern Ireland ^b	700	3.0	676	3.0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Norway	1,316	4.0	1,367	4.0	1,301	4.0	1	5	18	44	27	6
Philippines	1,193	3.0	1,162	3.0	1,191	3	15	37	29	15	3	1
Poland	1,366	4.0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Portugal	NA	NA	907	3.0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Russia	1,648	3.0	1,515	4.0	1,420	3.0	6	17	28	28	9	11
Slovak Republic	NA	NA	NA	NA	1,098	3.0	4	19	33	23	15	6
Slovenia	900	3.0	994	3.0	1,031	3.0	4	32	28	25	6	5
South Africa	NA	NA	NA	NA	2,891	3.0	11	32	23	22	5	7
South Korea	NA	NA	NA	NA	1,544	3.0	3	18	27	38	11	2
Spain	1,125	3.0	881	4.0	2,380	4.0	4	17	17	42	13	7
Sweden	NA	NA	956	4.0	1,092	4.0	2	6	27	33	25	8
Switzerland	NA	NA	962	3.0	1,187	3.0	3	19	29	39	8	2

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Taiwan	NA	NA	NA	NA	2,173	3.0	2	28	14	53	2	2
Turkey	NA	NA	NA	NA	1,459	3.0	7	21	19	33	9	12
United Kingdom ^b	NA	NA	NA	NA	865	4.0	3	16	25	35	15	6

NA = not available, country/economy not part of the survey population.

^a Mean score is based on a 5-point scale, where 1 = strongly agree and 5 = strongly disagree. It does not include respondents who said "can't choose" or did not answer the question.

^b In 1993 and 2000, Great Britain (England, Scotland, Wales) reported separately from Northern Ireland. In 2010, the four countries reported together as the United Kingdom.

NOTES: Responses to *How much do you agree or disagree with the statement: Overall, modern science does more harm than good?* Percentages may not add to 100% because of rounding.

SOURCE: International Social Survey Program, Environment Module (1993, 2000, 2010). For methodology and additional information, see <http://www.issp.org/>.