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Wave 6: Global Recovery Update + Playbook V1.0

Key Trends, Sentiment/Expectation, Start of a Playbook

In-field: 04/23 to 05/15 2020 | Released: May 19th , 2020 | Input from 39 Countries

Background: COVID-19 Study Overview Wave 6

Faced with continued uncertainty around the globe, in the past 14 days IMI's NextWave™ has completed over 59,000 interviews with people 13+ years of age from across the world to better understand consumer attitudes and behaviors.

Wave 5 : April 30th, 2020

Wave 6 : May 19, 2020

Wave 7: Late May / Early June 2020

We encourage you to share this information with anyone who it can help make decisions and to reach out to our team if you have suggestions or topic requests for the next update. If you're looking for any previous Waves, everything can be found on our [Global Content Portal, here](#).

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APRIL 2020

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
20	21	22	Wave 5 Released	24
27	28	29	30	May 1

MAY 2020

4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	Wave 6 Released	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

EARLY JUNE – WAVE 7 COMING

Key Dates Reference

January 20-25	First American and Canadian cases
March 11	US travel ban announced; WHO declares pandemic; sports /events cancelled
March 12-13	Trump declares a national emergency : School closures
March 20	Reported cases of COVID-19 pass 200,000
March 24	G-20 summit rallies against coronavirus
March 25	UN launches a \$2bn global humanitarian response plan
April 2	1 Million+ cases, over 50,000 deaths
April 8	Number of confirmed cases rises to over 1.5 million globally.
April 21	Number of confirmed cases rises to over 2.5 million globally.
April 23	Global State of Emergency Continues
Early May	Most countries infection rates have flattened or are on the decline
Week of May 10	North America starts the first phase of very cautious re-opening
May 14	4.5 Million Cases : 1.7 Million Recovered: 300k Deaths: Russia hotspot

Looking at What's Now and What's Next...



The full picture – Same facts - two perspectives.

EMBRACING THE OPTIMIST'S PERSPECTIVE

WHAT'S NOW

- Countries re-opening cautiously
- New cases flattening/declining
- Warmer temps in the northern hemisphere may inhibit 2nd wave
- Testing capabilities increased by 3 to 10 times
- Many vaccines being tested with optimism
- Office staff working effectively from home
- Older generations experience the value of digital
- Fewer people 'consumed' with COVID updates (-25%)
- Desire and excitement to return to all types of live events, restaurants, travel, movies
- Front line workers receiving wage increases
- Government subsidies to protect jobs
- Interest rates at an all time low 0%
- Companies and people helping out
- Stock market rebounding

People's state Now 'Much better'

- Appreciation for a simpler life = 33%
- Desire to be active = 23%
- Relationships with people at home = 20%
- Desire to reach out to friends = 20%

WHAT'S NEXT

- Potential for greater work-life balance
- Greater appreciation for the simpler things
- Better connection with friends and family
- Greater appreciation for front line workers
- Embrace new ways to do old things
- Increased activity
- Increased appreciation for health & wellness
- Vaccines, Testing, Safety Protocols



An iceberg floating in the ocean. The tip of the iceberg, which is above the water line, represents the visible part of a situation. The much larger part of the iceberg, which is submerged below the water line, represents the hidden or underlying reality. The background shows a blue sky with some clouds and the ocean surface.

READING THE REALIST'S (PESSIMIST'S) PERSPECTIVE

WHAT'S NOW

- Countries re-opening
- 4.5M+ Infected / 300k Deaths
- New Cases flattening/declining
- Warmer temps in the North
- Second wave in the fall?
- Unemployment approaching 20%
- Government subsidies in the Trillions\$\$
- Interest rates nearing 0% - nowhere to go but up
- Vaccines are being tested but could take 2 years

WHAT'S NEXT

The requirement to:

- a) Work from home and
- b) Buy from home will fast track the demise of 'marginal' bricks & mortar offices and retail locations, as COVID has driven people of all ages to experience the benefits of the virtual world.

What people currently state Now:

- Mental Health 'Much Worse' = 25%+
- Desire to be active 'Much Worse' = 25%+
- Eating Habits 'Much Worse' = 20%+
- Desire to reach out to friends 'Much Worse' = 18%

Personal debt at an all-time high

- People living paycheck to paycheck
- 3 in 10 state 'Severe' Financial Concern : 6 in 10 'Some'
- 'Actual unemployment' without subsidies could be 30%+
- Many small business will never come back
- Housing bubble accelerates if unemployment soars
- Private sector financial crash among the wealth creators
- Future downward pressure on all prices and margins

Built up demand for live experiences continues to grow across the globe.

Actions: Reality shown after 45 minutes of re-opening.



Nick's bar
@nicksonsec

45 minutes after the bars open in Wisconsin....



9,578 9:39 PM - May 13, 2020

7,443 people are talking about this

THE CORONAVIRUS CRISIS

Wisconsin Bars Welcome Crowds After Court Strikes Down 'Safer At Home' Bans

May 14, 2020 · 12:13 PM ET






BILL CHAPPELL



Bar owner Michael Mattson toasts with patrons as his Friends and Neighbors bar reopens Wednesday in Appleton, Wis. Bars were able to open their doors after the Wisconsin Supreme Court struck down the state's "Safer at Home" order.

William Glasheen/USA Today via Reuters

Wave 6 - May 19, 2020 Content Sections:

SECTION 1	SECTION 2	SECTION 3	SECTION 4	SECTION 5
Trending Consumer Realities: Now 39 Countries a) Estimated End Date b) Personal Health c) Financial Health	Trending North America: States and Provinces a) Estimated End Date b) Personal Health c) Financial Health	Covid-19 Information 'Tired of' vs. 'Desire More' Trended vs. Wave 4	Unaided – Perceived Best Source of Trusted Information Trended vs. Wave 3	Today's Realities Things that are 'much better' and things that are 'much worse' now
				

SPOTLIGHT

IMI NextWave™ Global Playbook V 1.0: Actions to Drive success
a) Key Messaging b) Company offers and programs



Update

SECTION 1

Trending Consumer Realities: a) Estimated End Date b) Personal Health c) Financial Health

End Date continues to extend, while personal health and financial concern remain high with modest improvements and stability versus previous wave.

Since February, IMI's NextWave™ has tracked a) expected end date b) personal health concern and c) financial health concern across 31 countries and as of Wave 6 is now measuring across 39 countries. Today's reality shows an expected end date of November 12th, 2020 (extended by 1 month from Wave 5), with 5 countries expecting an end as soon as August 2020 and 6 countries now with delayed expectations to 2021.

Despite this shift in the expected end date, we've seen modest improvements on personal health concern and financial health concern. While both personal health and financial health remain very high, they both seem to have stabilized.

TIMING

Fieldwork for Wave 6 was done between April 23 and May 14th. Study released May 18th, 2020.

Next Global update: End of May 2020

TODAY'S REALITY: May 14th, 2020

Current Estimated End Date

Personal Health



Financial Health



		November 12th, 2020 (Continues to extend with some countries expecting early 2021 for the first time)		
		79% Improved 6% since March and 2% vs. Wave 5 CONCERNED		
			49% Improved 9% vs. March, but flat vs. Wave 5 SEVERELY CONCERNED	
		63% Improved 10% since March and 2% vs. Wave 5 CONCERNED		
			32% Improved 14 since March and 2% vs. Wave 5 SEVERELY CONCERNED	



ESTIMATED END DATE: Global Timeframe

NOW 39 COUNTRIES 'Estimated Month COVID-19 will no longer be a concern'

May 14th Reality



Average global end date is estimated to be November 2020. Results range from August to February 2021. Momentum suggests people are leaning toward the end of 2020.

North America ZONE 1

USA December ↓
Canada January ↓
Mexico October ↓

South America ZONE 2

Argentina November ↓
Chile December ↓
Colombia January ↓
Peru December ↓
Brazil October ↓

NEW Venezuela November

Africa ZONE 3

Nigeria August ↓
South Africa December ↓
Kenya November ↓
NEW Uganda February

Nordic + Russia ZONE 4

Sweden November ↓
Finland August ↑
Russia August ↓

Europe + UK ZONE 5

UK January ↓
Ireland November ↓

Europe + UK ZONE 5

Italy October ↓
Germany January ↓
France January ↓
Spain January ↓
Portugal January ↓
Netherlands December
Poland October
Turkey September

NEW

NEW

NEW

Asia ZONE 6

Japan December ↓
South Korea November ↓
India August ↓
Malaysia October ↓
Philippines September ↓
Hong Kong November ↓
Pakistan September ↓
Singapore December ↓
Vietnam August
Taiwan November
Indonesia August

NEW

NEW

NEW

Oceania ZONE 7

Australia November ↓
New Zealand November ↓



IMI24™ : N=20,400 May 6th to 14th, 2020. We asked: In how many months do you think it will be until the Coronavirus health issue ends - is no longer of any concern?



INDICATES OPTIMISM, STABILITY, OR PESSIMISM COMPARED TO PREVIOUS WAVES.



HEALTH: Global Personal Concern

NOW 39 COUNTRIES ' % of people concerned about their 'personal health'

May 14th Reality



There are still **8 out of 10** people concerned for their personal health globally. This is very high but is stabilizing. This level of health concern makes it difficult for people to forecast future behaviors.

North America ZONE 1

USA	73% (-9%)	↑
Canada	74% (-3%)	=
Mexico	87% (-3%)	↑

South America ZONE 2

Argentina	82% (-1%)	=
Chile	85% (+2%)	=
Colombia	89% (-3%)	=
Peru	88% (+3%)	=
Brazil	79% (+9%)	↓
NEW Venezuela	87%	

Africa ZONE 3

Nigeria	95% (+6%)	↓
South Africa	86% (-3%)	=
Kenya	92% (+2%)	=
NEW Uganda	90%	

Nordic + Russia ZONE 4

Sweden	68% (+5%)	↓
Finland	58% (-8%)	↑
Russia	62% (-6%)	↑

Europe + UK ZONE 5

UK	88% (+5%)	↓
Ireland	89% (+3%)	=

Europe + UK ZONE 5

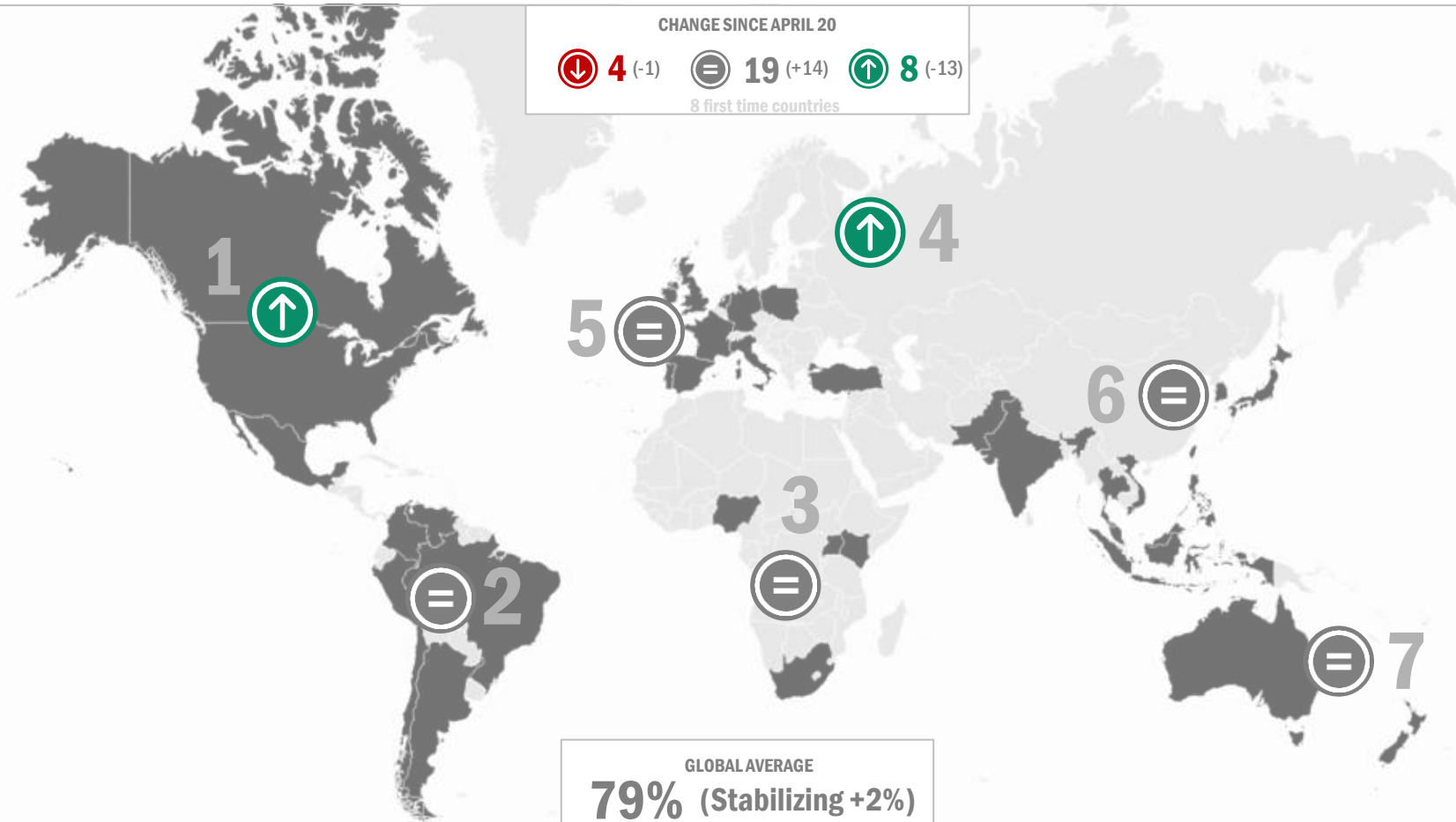
Italy	80% (0%)	=
Germany	92% (0%)	=
France	82% (-5%)	↑
Spain	89% (+2%)	=
Portugal	83% (-4%)	↑
Netherlands	69%	
Poland	56%	
Turkey	71%	

Asia ZONE 6

Japan	95% (-3%)	=
South Korea	69% (-10%)	↑
India	80% (0%)	=
Malaysia	81% (-4%)	↑
Philippines	90% (0%)	=
Hong Kong	80% (-1%)	=
Pakistan	77% (0%)	=
Singapore	82% (-3%)	=
Vietnam	87%	
Taiwan	90%	
Indonesia	88%	

Oceania ZONE 7

Australia	73% (-3%)	=
New Zealand	72% (-3%)	=



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HEALTH: Severe Personal Concern

NOW 39 COUNTRIES % of people who feel 'The most ever, extremely or very concerned' about their personal health

May 14th Reality



1 in 2 people around the globe – over 3 billion people are 'severely concerned about their personal health.'

With this level of 'severe concern' the ability to forecast future behavior beyond fundamentals is limited.

North America ZONE 1

USA 39% (-12%) ↑
Canada 35% (-11%) ↑
Mexico 53% (-5%) ↑

South America ZONE 2

Argentina 45% (-5%) ↑
Chile 68% (+10%) ↓
Colombia 56% (-3%) =
Peru 62% (+4%) ↓
Brazil 64% (+29%) ↓ ↓
NEW Venezuela 61%

Africa ZONE 3

Nigeria 84% (+5%) ↓
South Africa 55% (-11%) ↑
Kenya 75% (+5%) ↓
NEW Uganda 81%

Nordic + Russia ZONE 4

Sweden 20% (+1%) =
Finland 8% (-11%) ↑
Russia 40% (+4%) ↓

Europe + UK ZONE 5

UK 46% (-16%) ↑
Ireland 40% (-12%) ↑

Europe + UK ZONE 5

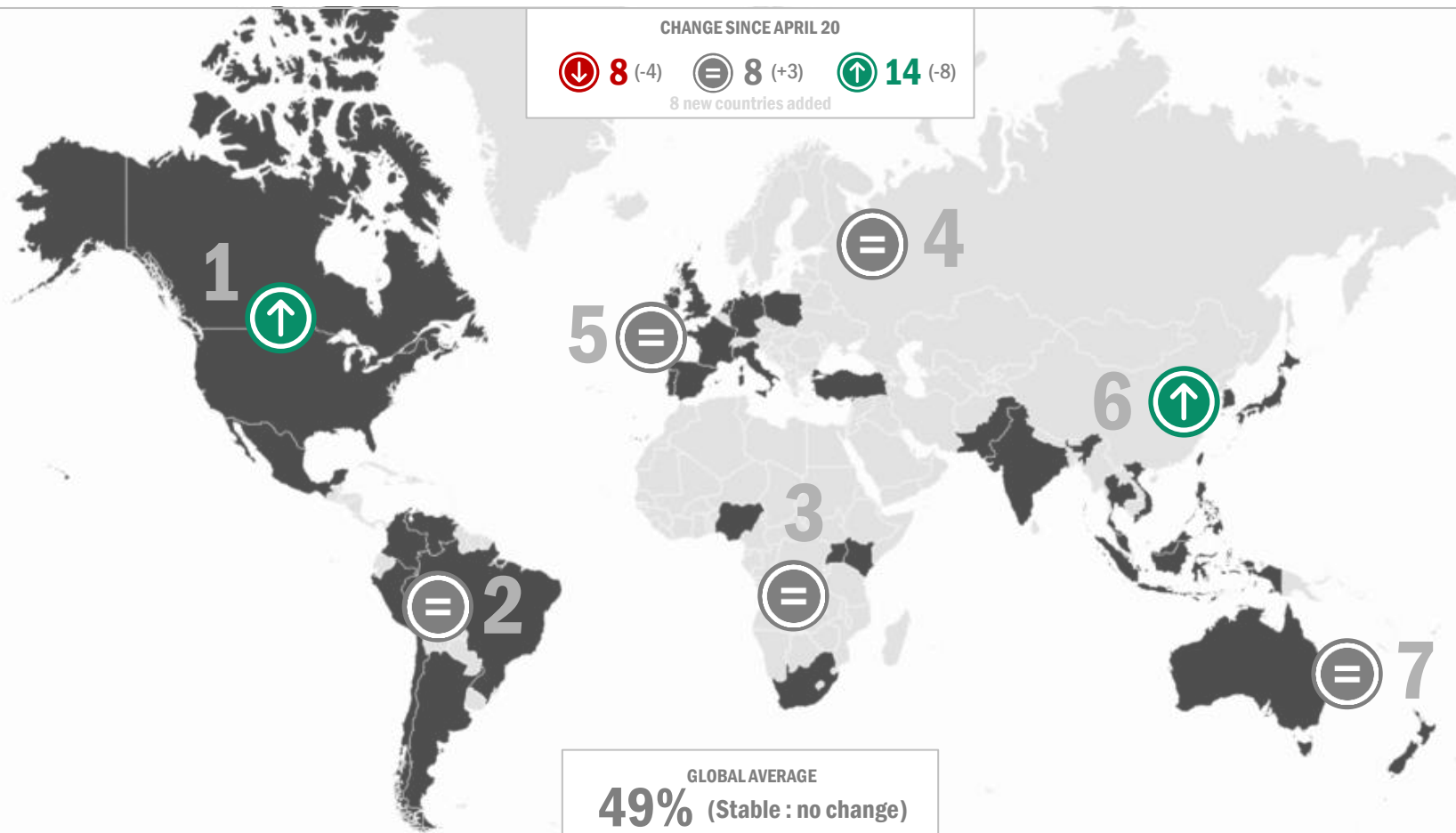
Italy 40% (-3%) =
Germany 35% (0%) =
France 56% (+4%) ↓
Spain 60% (+2%) =
Portugal 62% (+14%) ↓
Netherlands 29%
Poland 22%
Turkey 45%

Asia ZONE 6

Japan 69% (-17%) ↑
South Korea 50% (-10%) ↑
India 68% (0%) =
Malaysia 68% (-3%) =
Philippines 76% (-1%) =
Hong Kong 50% (-4%) ↑
Pakistan 62% (-4%) ↑
Singapore 51% (-11%) ↑
Vietnam 76%
Taiwan 76%
Indonesia 77%

Oceania ZONE 7

Australia 37% (-1%) =
New Zealand 27% (-4%) ↑



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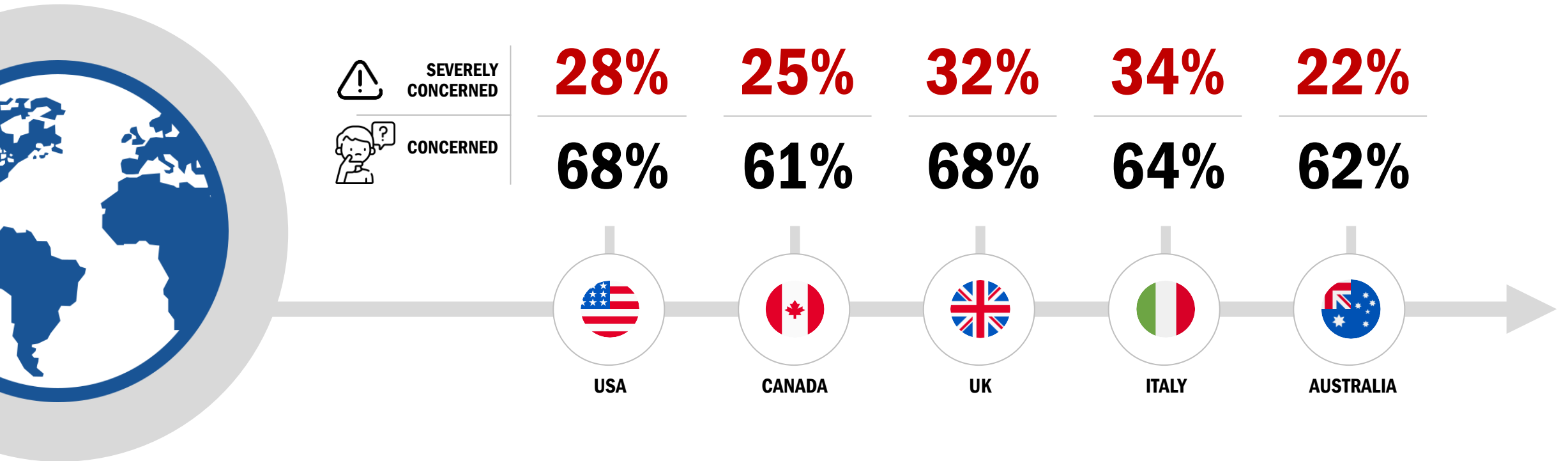


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FINANCIAL: Global Concern Remains Significant

How concerned are you about your Financial Situation?



IMI24™ : N=2,000 CANADA N=2,000 USA March 27-May 4, 2020. We asked: How concerned are you at this time about your Financial Situation?



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Wave 6 Global Perspective: End date continues to extend, for some into 2021. Concern around personal and financial health remain high, but stable.

Consumer reality

Despite the expected end date continuing to extend across the globe, we're seeing a decrease in personal health concern and some stability across financial concern.

Consumers ability to accurately forecast future behaviors remains inhibited by universal personal health concern and significant financial concern.

People around the world are growing more tired of COVID-19 information. Eagerness and frequency of sourcing information has also dropped significantly across the globe.

May 14th Reality	USA 	CANADA 	UK 	ITALY 	AUSTRALIA 
COMPARING April and May 15th, 2020					
Expected End Date	Oct to Dec	Oct to Jan	Nov to Jan	Aug to Oct	Nov to Dec
Personal Health Concern	82% to 73%	77% to 74%	83% to 88%	80% to 80%	76% to 73%
Financial Concern	69% to 64%	65% to 68%	70% to 68%	68% to 64%	54% to 62%
DESIRE FOR COVID-19 INFORMATION AND FREQUENCY OF CHECKING					
'Tired of Hearing' Information and data about Covid-19 (vs. Wanting More)	56% to 69%	66% to 71%	60% to 58%	84% to 83%	85% to 81%
Search for an Update within an Hour of Waking (March 30th – May 14X)	50% to 29%	47% to 30%	63% to 41%	47% to 30%	65% to 28%



Update

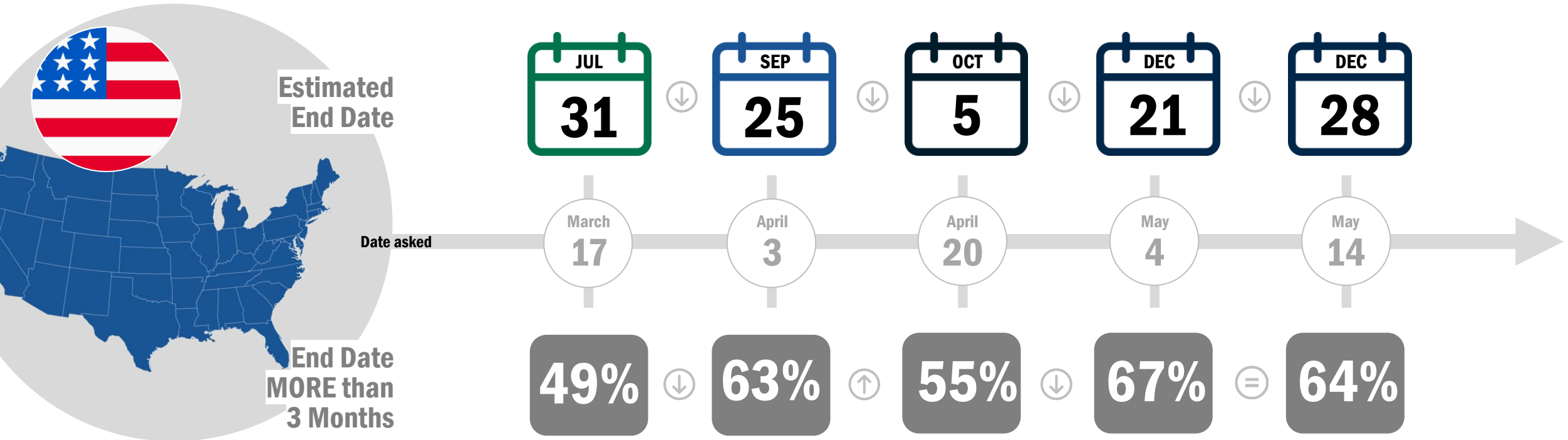
SECTION 2

Trending North America: a) Estimated End Date b) Personal Health c) Financial Health



ESTIMATED END DATE: American Timeframe Stabilizing in May

'Estimated Month COVID-19 will no longer be a concern'



IMI24™ : N=10,000+ March 10 - May 4, 2020. We asked: In how many months do you think it will be until the Coronavirus health issue ends - is no longer of any concern?

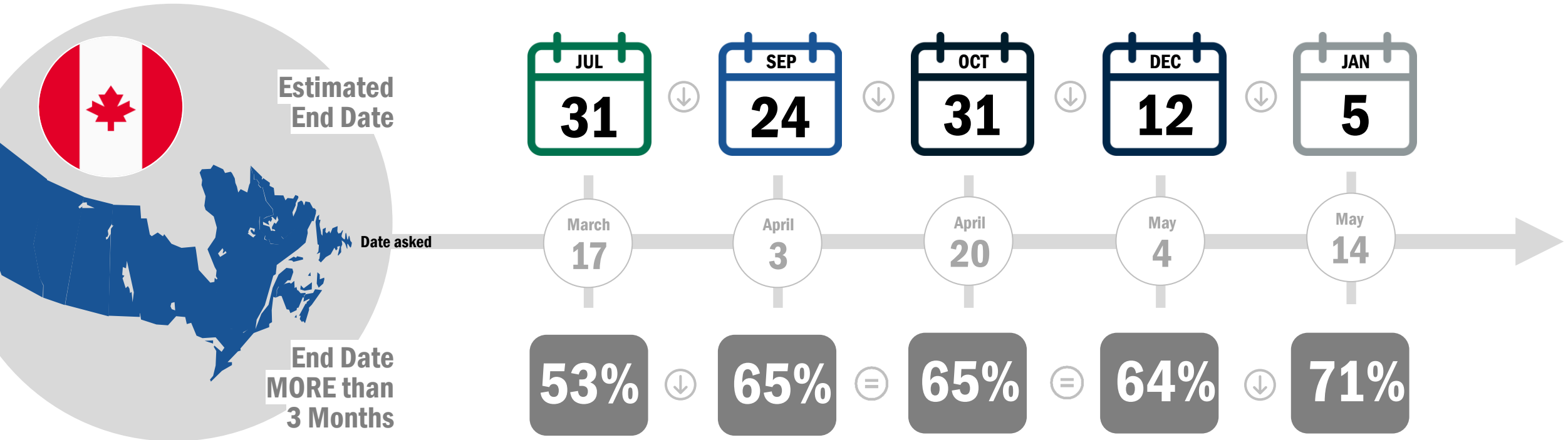


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ESTIMATED END DATE: Canadian Timeframe Continues to Extend

'Estimated Month COVID-19 will no longer be a concern'



IMI24™ : N=8,000+ March 10 – May 4, 2020. We asked: In how many months do you think it will be until the Coronavirus health issue ends - is no longer of any concern?



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HEALTH: Evolving American Concern March 23rd through May 10th

How concerned are you at this time about your personal health?

USA

N=2,000



SEVERELY CONCERNED



NOT CONCERNED AT ALL

56%



58%



39%

20%



20%



27%

March
23

April
8

May
10

PERCENT CHANGE
Since Peak Apr 8

-19% ↑

+7% ↑

While improving marginally, 4 in 10 Americans remain severely concerned about their personal health

May 14th, 2020

STATE SPOTLIGHT



Sample

CALIFORNIA

300

TEXAS

300

NEW YORK STATE

300

SEVERELY CONCERNED

47% ↑ (-10%)

NOT CONCERNED AT ALL

18% = (-2%)

38% ↑↑ (-19%)

27% ↑ (+7%)

43% ↑↑ (-18%)

19% = (-1%)

Key states show significant improvements with severe concern dropping by 10% to 19%, but level of concern remains high.

IMI24™ : N=2,900 : April 23rd to May 14th, 2020. We asked: How personally concerned are you about your health with Coronavirus?

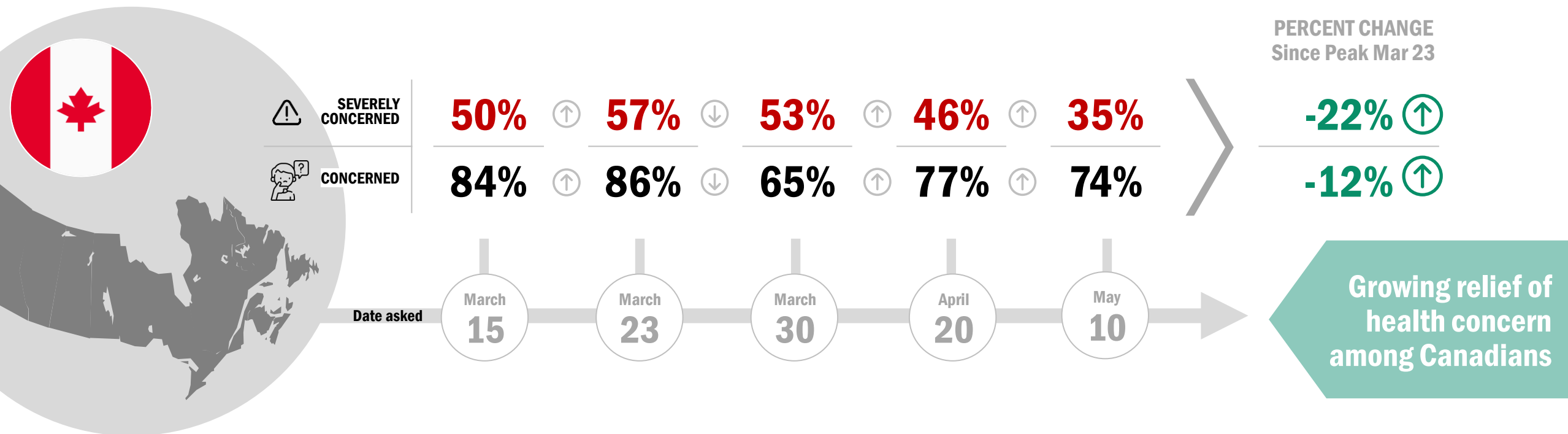


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HEALTH: Canadian Personal Concern March 15th through May 10th

Percent of people concerned about their 'personal health'



IMI24™ : N=2,000+ April 23rd – May 10th, 2020. We asked: How personally concerned are you about your health with Coronavirus?



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HEALTH: Canadian Personal Concern

Percent of people concerned about their 'personal health'

May 10th Reality



National stability with positive provincial shifts between April 20 – May 10th. 7 in 10 Canadians are still concerned about their personal health, but severe concern is declining across most of the country.

CHANGE VS.
APRIL 20

CONCERNED

SEVERELY
CONCERNED

CANADA

74% (-5%) ↑ 35% (-11%) ↑

British Columbia

75% (+2%) = 38% (+9%) ↓

Alberta

76% (+2%) = 29% (-10%) ↑

Saskatchewan

66% (-14%) ↑ 29% (-10%) ↑

Manitoba

66% (-8%) ↑ 25% (-13%) ↑

Ontario

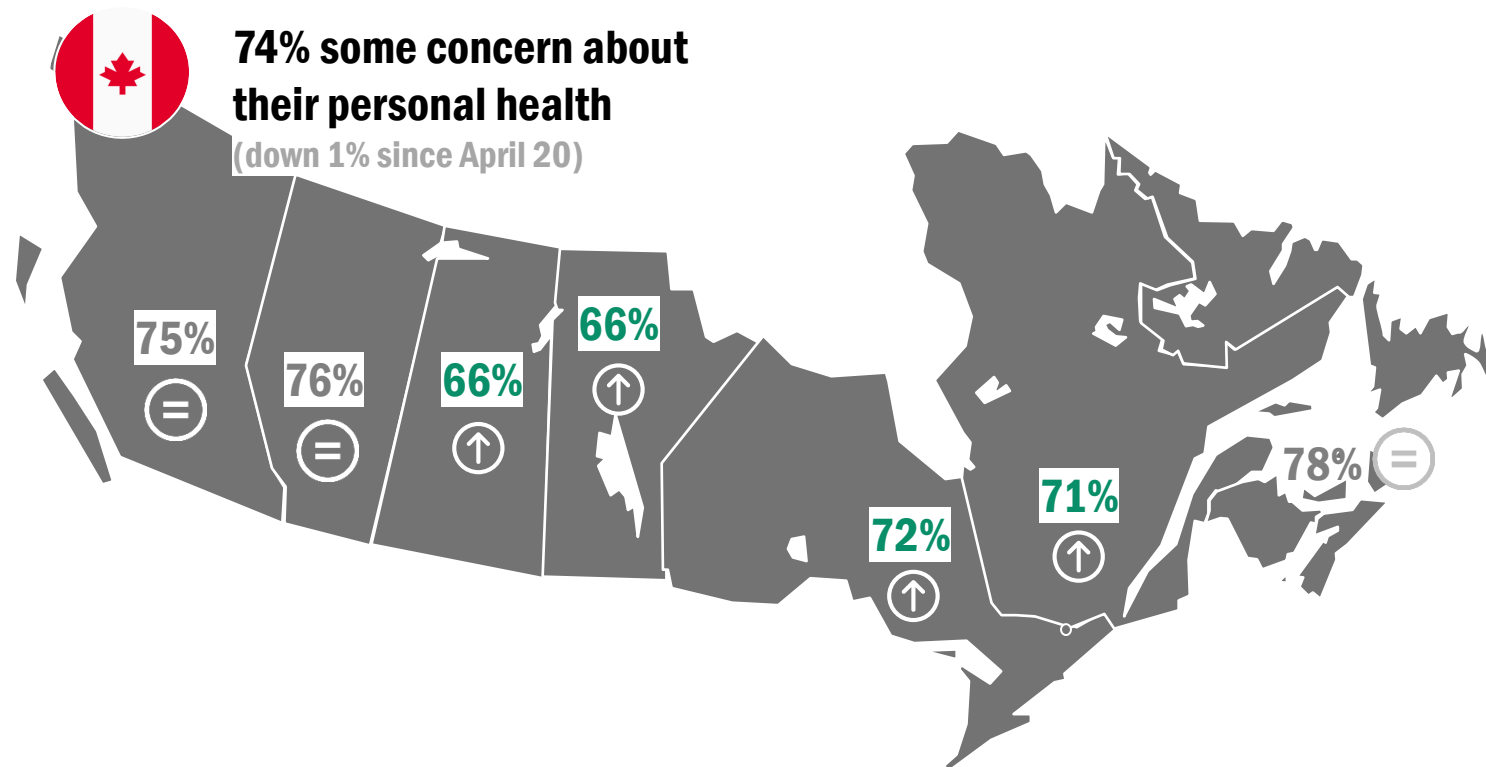
72% (-5%) ↑ 33% (-15%) ↑

Quebec

71% (-5%) ↑ 41% (+2%) =

Atlantic

78% (-2%) = 44% (-6%) ↑



IMI24™ : N=500 CANADA per wave, N=2,100 across provinces. April - May 2020.
We asked: How concerned are you about your personal health with Coronavirus?

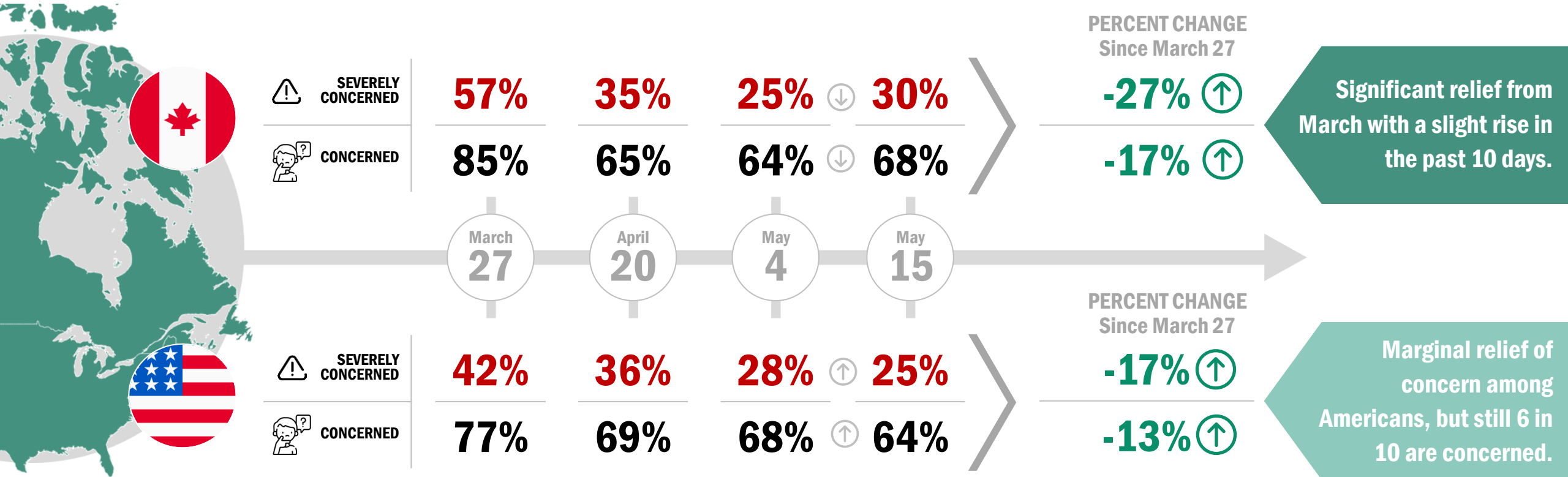


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FINANCIAL: Evolving North American Concern March 27th through May 15th

How concerned are you at this time about your Financial Situation?



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FINANCIAL: Evolving Canadian Concern March 27th through May 15th

How concerned are you at this time about your Financial Situation?

CANADA

N=2,000



SEVERELY CONCERNED



CONCERNED

57%



35%



25%



30%

85%



65%



61%



68%

PERCENT CHANGE
Since March 27

-27%

-24%

Significant relief of financial concern among Canadians, but still 6 in 10 are concerned.

March
27

April
20

May
8

May
15

MAY 4 PROVINCIAL
SNAPSHOT

with change versus April 8



SEVERELY CONCERNED



CONCERNED

Sample

BC
200

38% (-3%)

ALBERTA
200

24% (-15%)

SASK
200

22% (-11%)

MANITOBA
200

22% (-5%)

ONTARIO
200

30% (+5%)

QUEBEC
200

24% (-12%)

ATLANTIC
200

29% (-1%)

73% (-3%)

64% (-3%)

58% (-6%)

58% (-5%)

68% (+9%)

54% (-6%)

58% (-9%)

IMI24™ : N=4,800+ April -May 2020. We asked: How concerned are you at this time about your Financial Situation?



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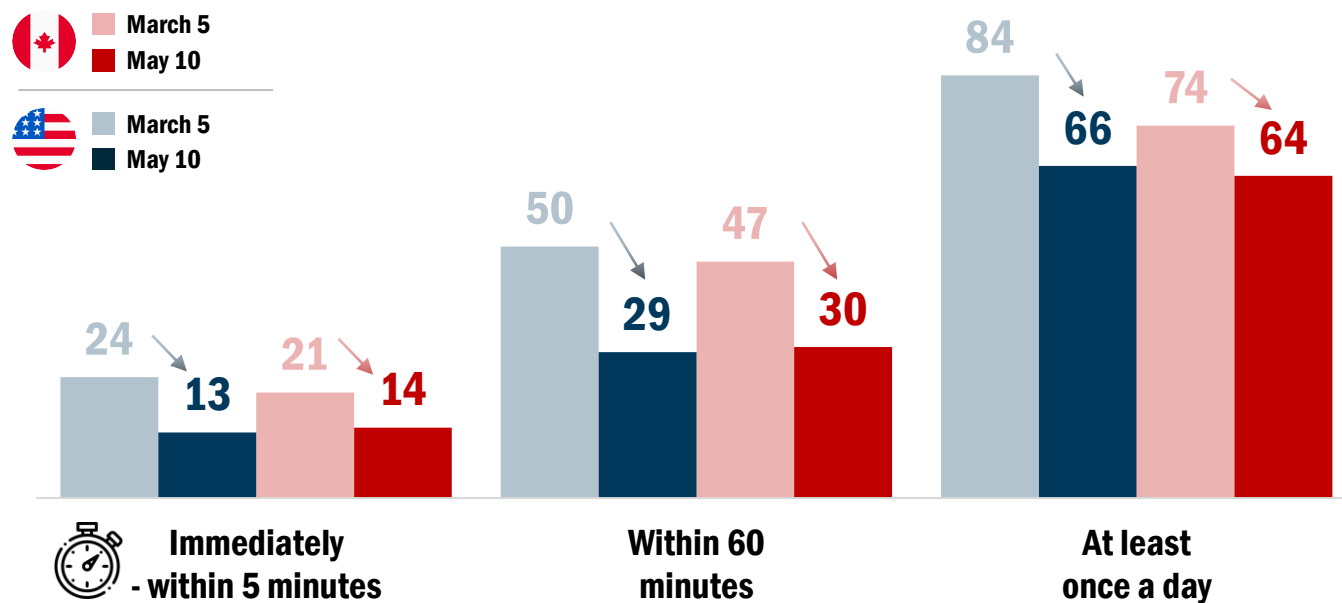
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Update: Tired or want More? How often people consume information

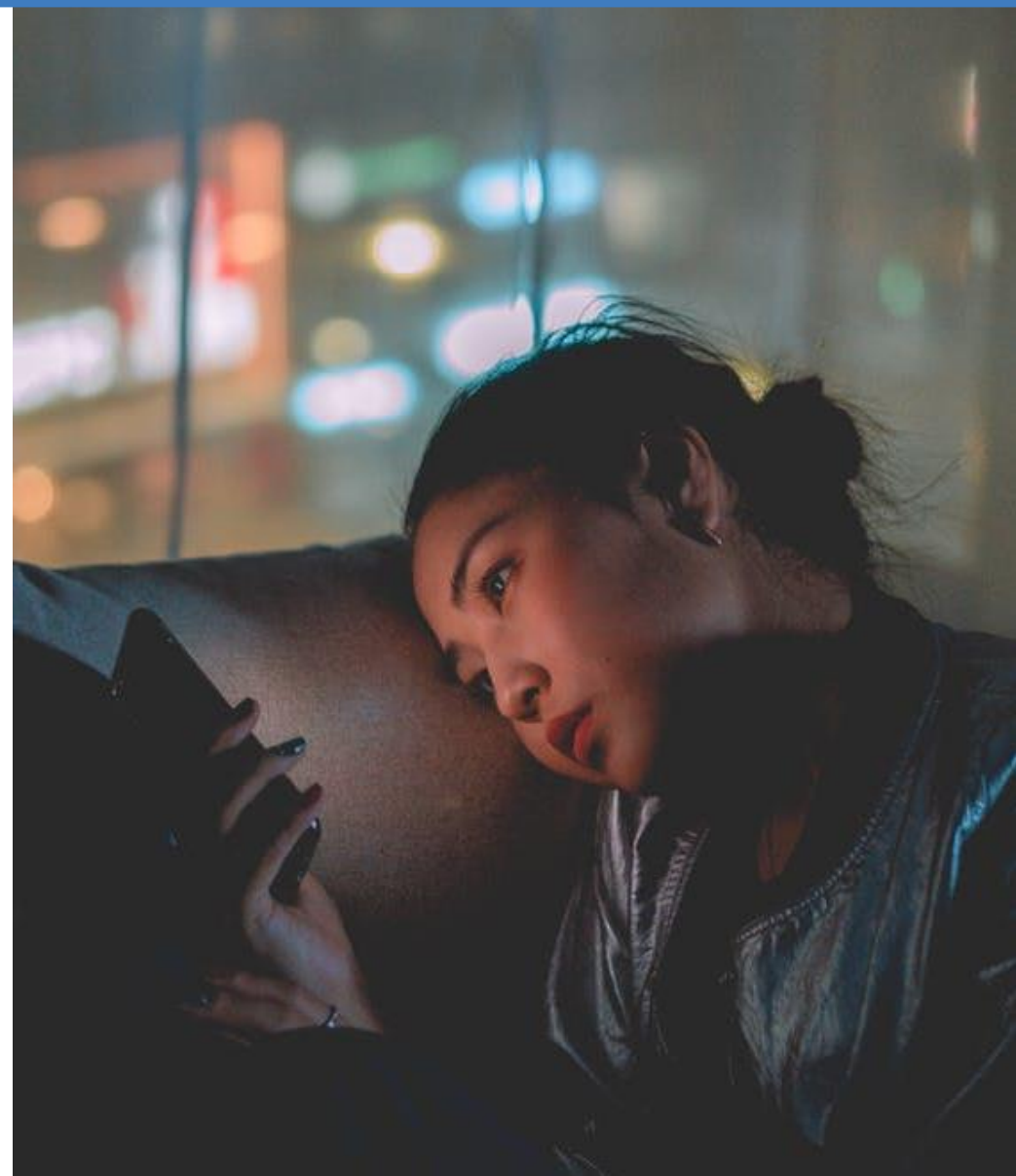
There has been a significant decrease in the need for COVID-19 information.

How long after you wake up in the morning do you search out or watch information about the Coronavirus?

While immediacy has declined significantly, 2 out of 3 North Americans are still searching out COVID-19 related information at least once daily.



ON PEOPLE'S MINDS



**The UK shows a similar trend to North America.
Australia is flat versus March, but never
reached the same heightened interest.**



ON PEOPLE'S MINDS

How long after you wake up in the morning do you search out or watch information about the Coronavirus?
March 5 – May 10

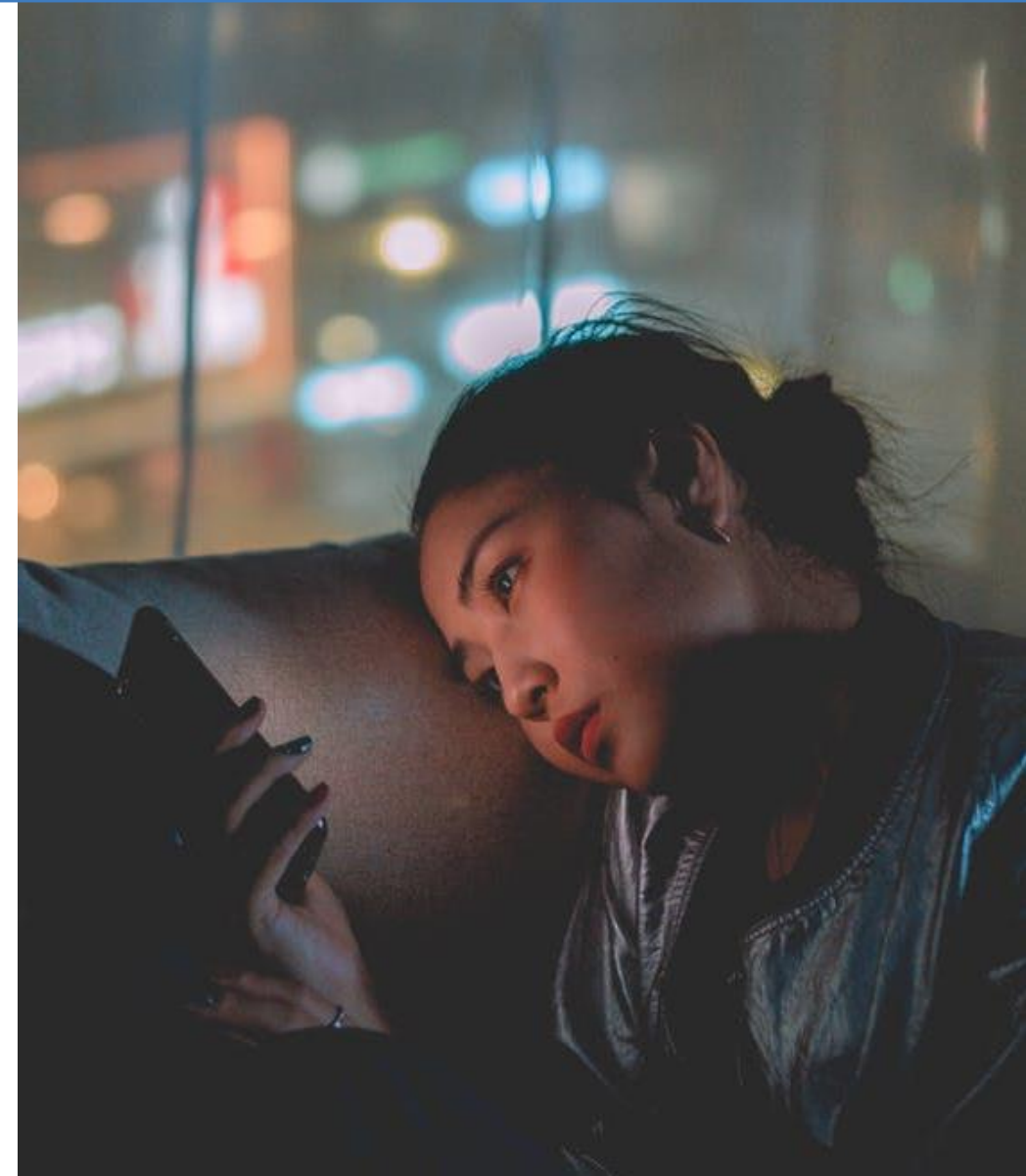
USA
N=300 PER WAVE


CANADA
N=300 PER WAVE

UK
N=300 PER WAVE

AUSTRALIA
N=300 PER WAVE

Immediately or within 5 minutes of waking	13% ^(-9%)	14% ^(-7%)	17% ^(-11%)	12% ^(flat)
Within the first hour of waking	29% ^(-21%)	30% ^(-18%)	41% ^(-22%)	28% ^(flat)
At least once a day	66% ^(-18%)	64% ^(-10%)	74% ^(-18%)	53% ^(-3%)



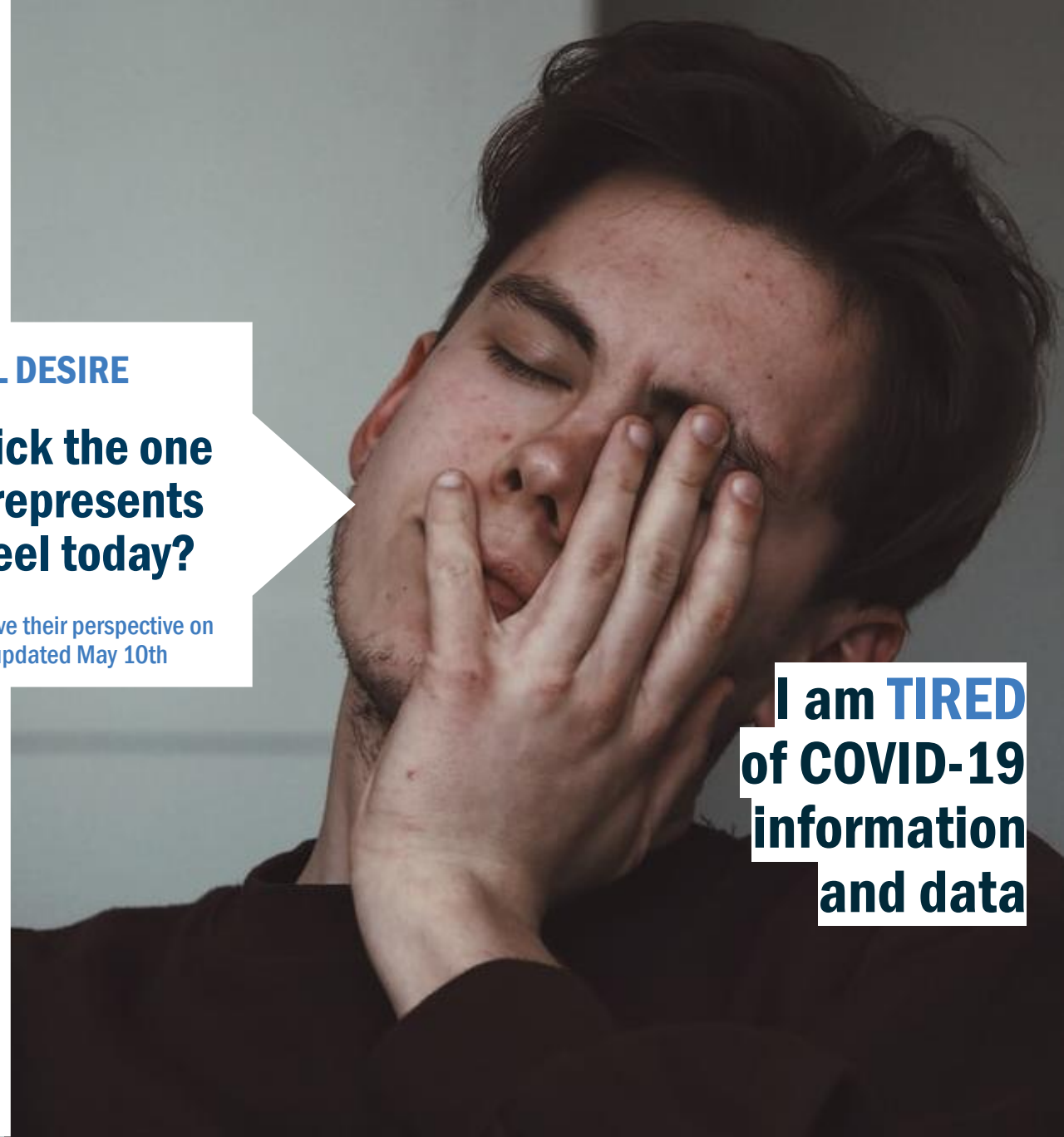


I want **MORE**
COVID-19
information
and data

OVERALL DESIRE

**Our Ask: Pick the one
that best represents
how you feel today?**

Over 5,000 people gave their perspective on
April 21st, 2020 updated May 10th



I am **TIRED**
of **COVID-19**
information
and data

BRAND ACTION PLAN

Approximately 2 out of 3 people around the world continue to be 'tired of COVID-19 information and data'. It is IMI's recommendation that brands should exercise caution in delivering any COVID-19 related messaging. If a brand is to do so, there should be a clear tangible benefit to the consumer and think 'what's in it for THEM' not 'YOU.'

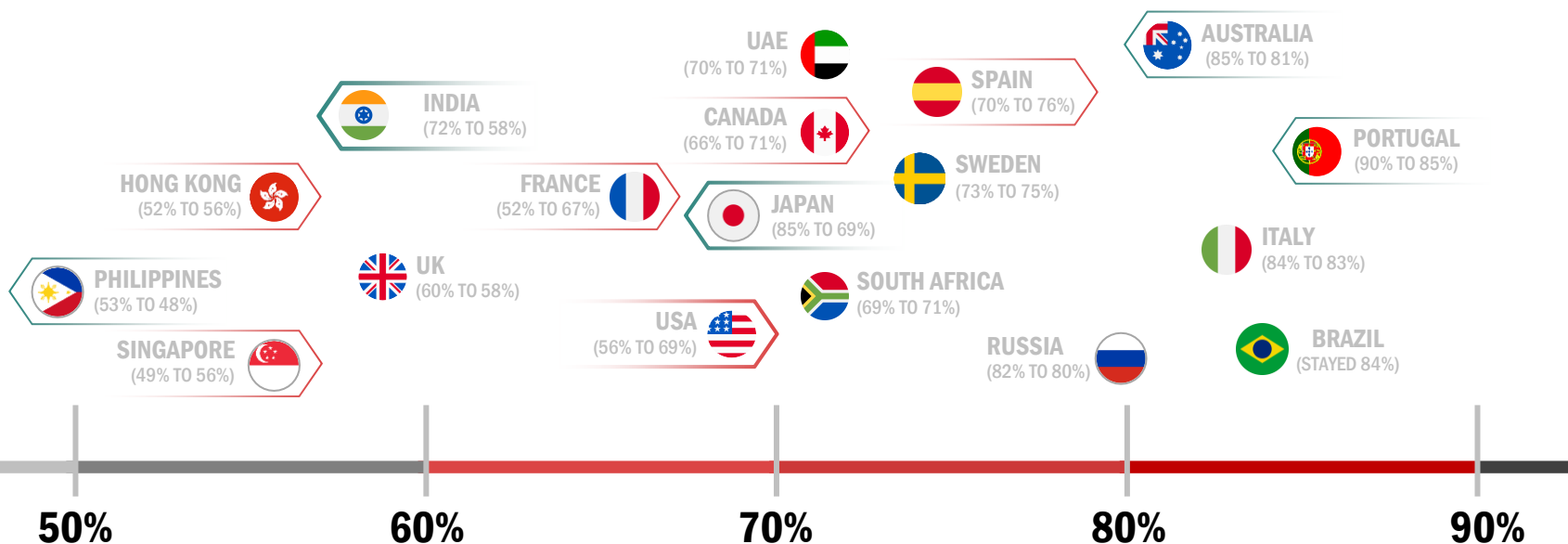
I want **MORE** COVID-19 info & data

Green arrow indicates desire to hear more vs. Apr 23



Shifts from April 23rd to May 10th, 2020

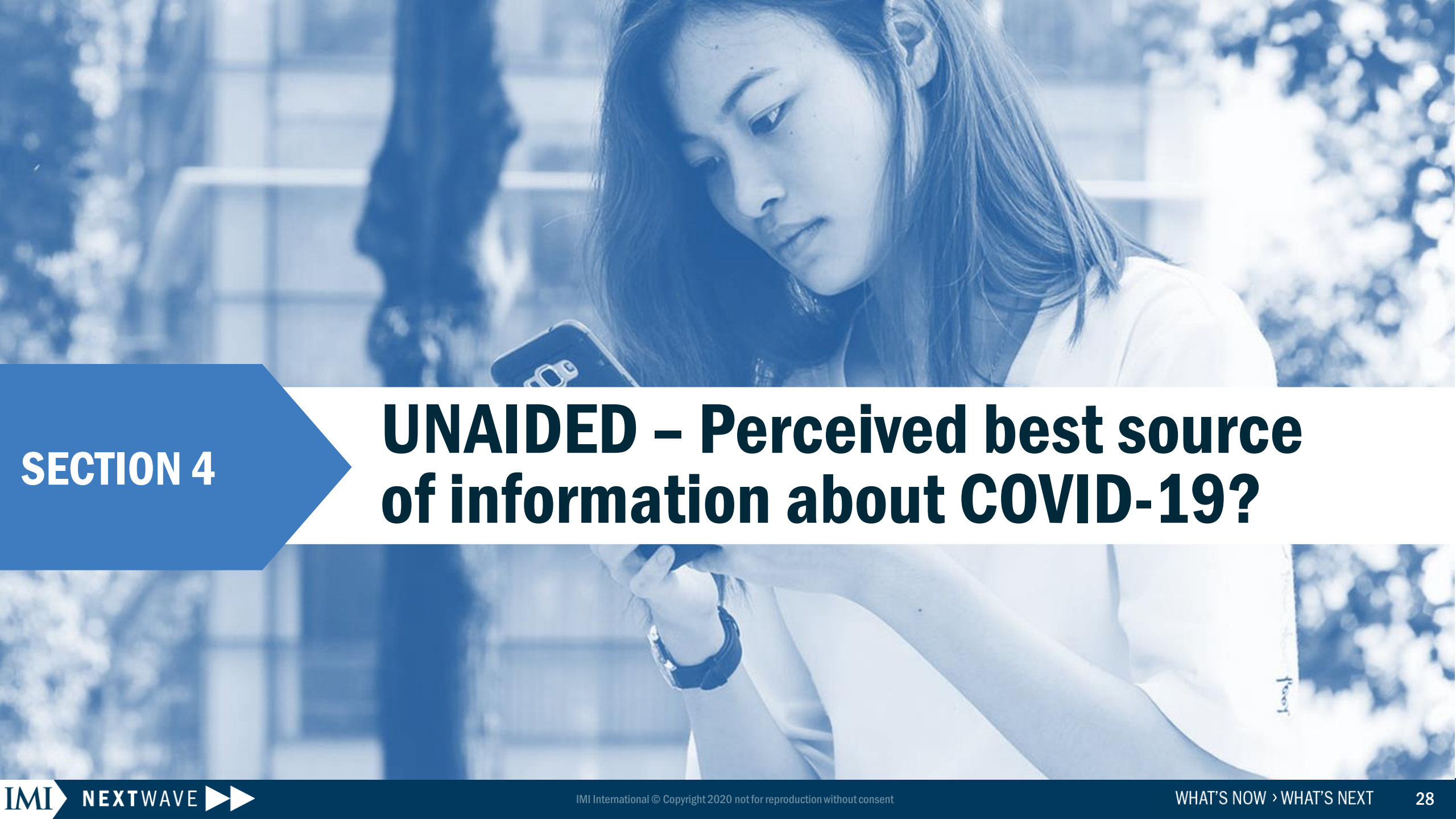
% Tired of COVID info and data



I am **TIRED** of COVID-19 info & data

Red arrow shows fatigue rising = less interest versus Apr 23





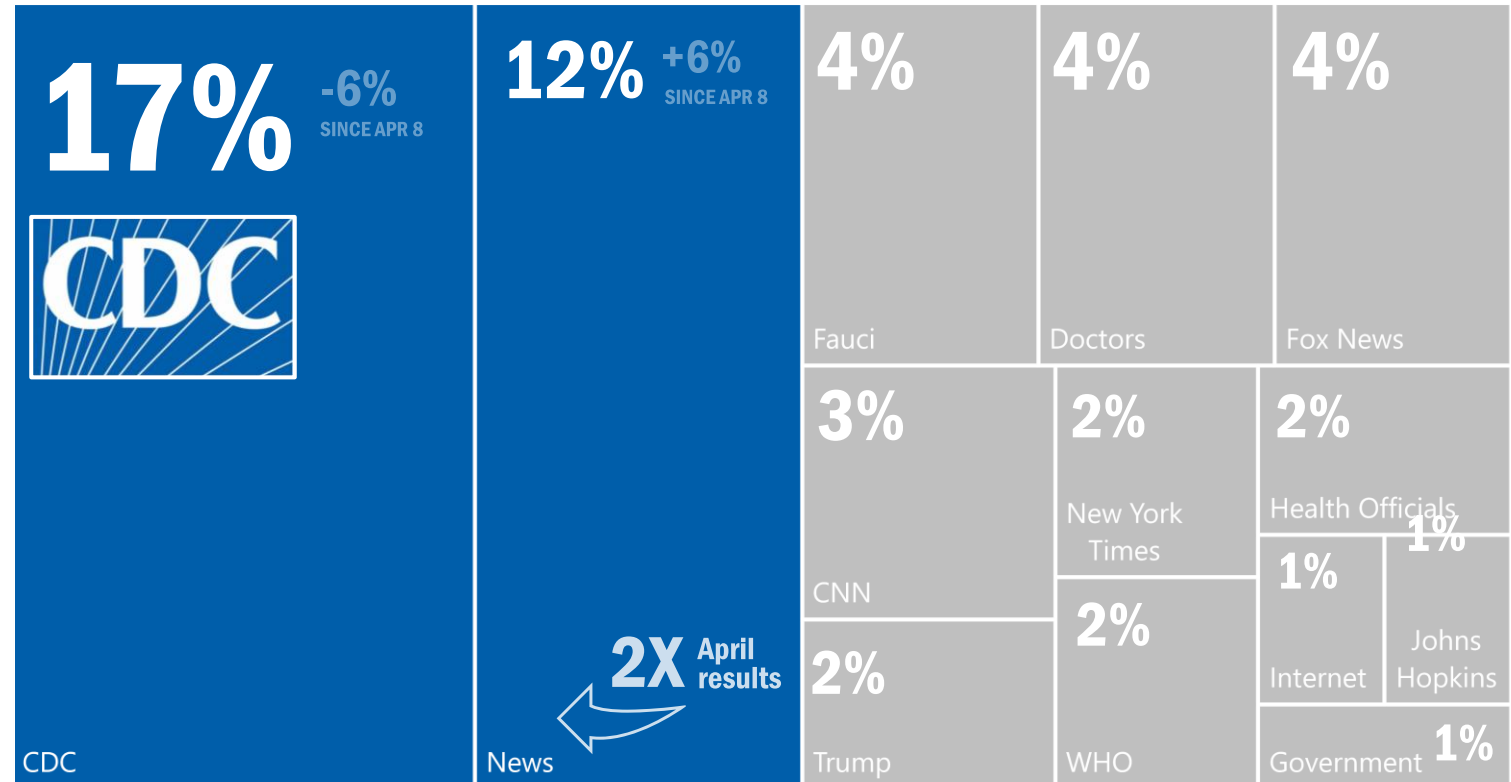
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**UNAIDED – Perceived best source
of information about COVID-19?**



UNAIDED SOURCES OF INFORMATION

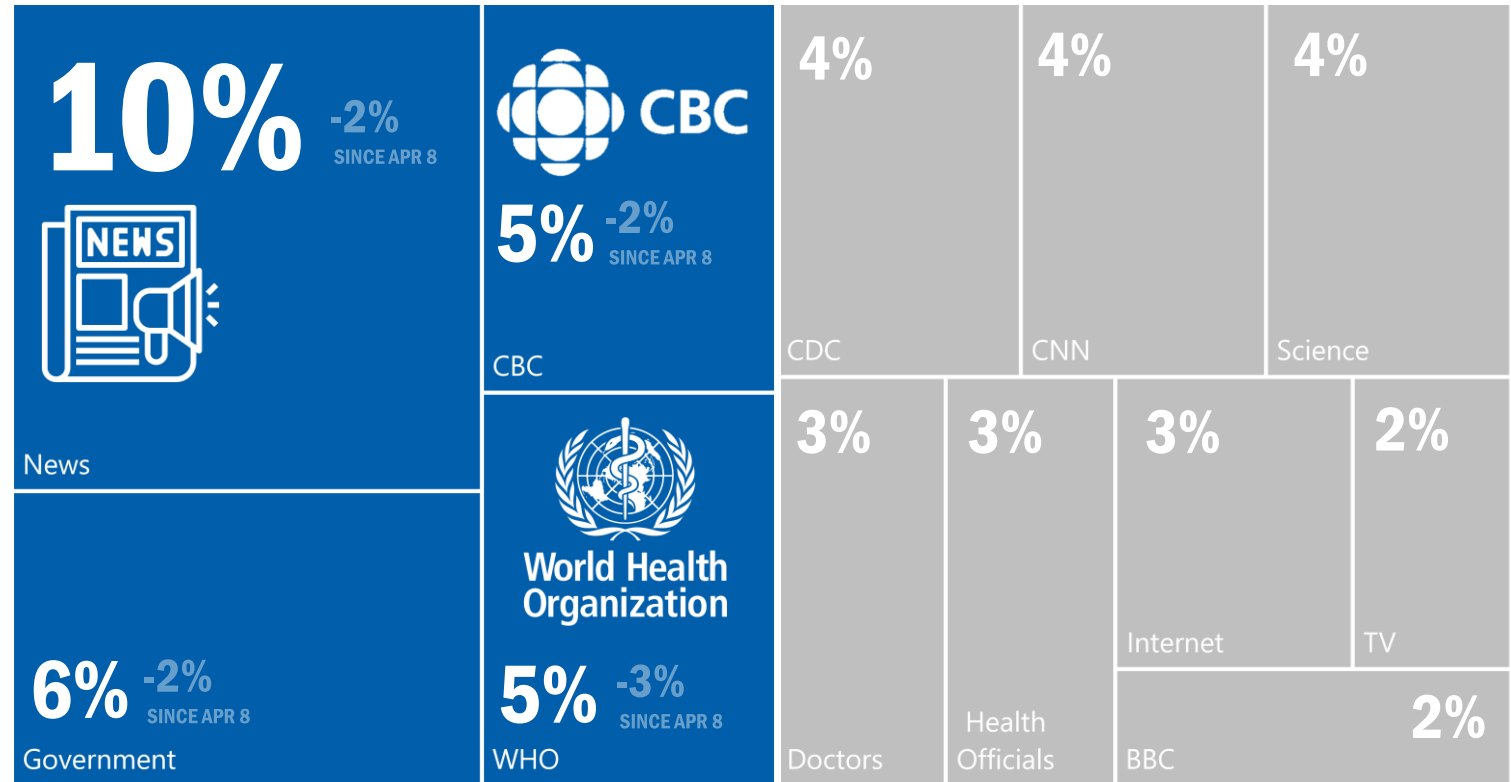
In the USA, comparing to early April, the CDC still ranks #1, while news rises 2X, as the most reliable source of Coronavirus information.



Unaided : What do you believe to be the best - most reliable source of information on Coronavirus? IMI 24™ - May 14 vs April 8, 2020 USA n=500.

UNAIDED SOURCES OF INFORMATION

In Canada, the best source remains fragmented with The News, Government, WHO, and CBC making up the same top 4 most reliable sources of information.

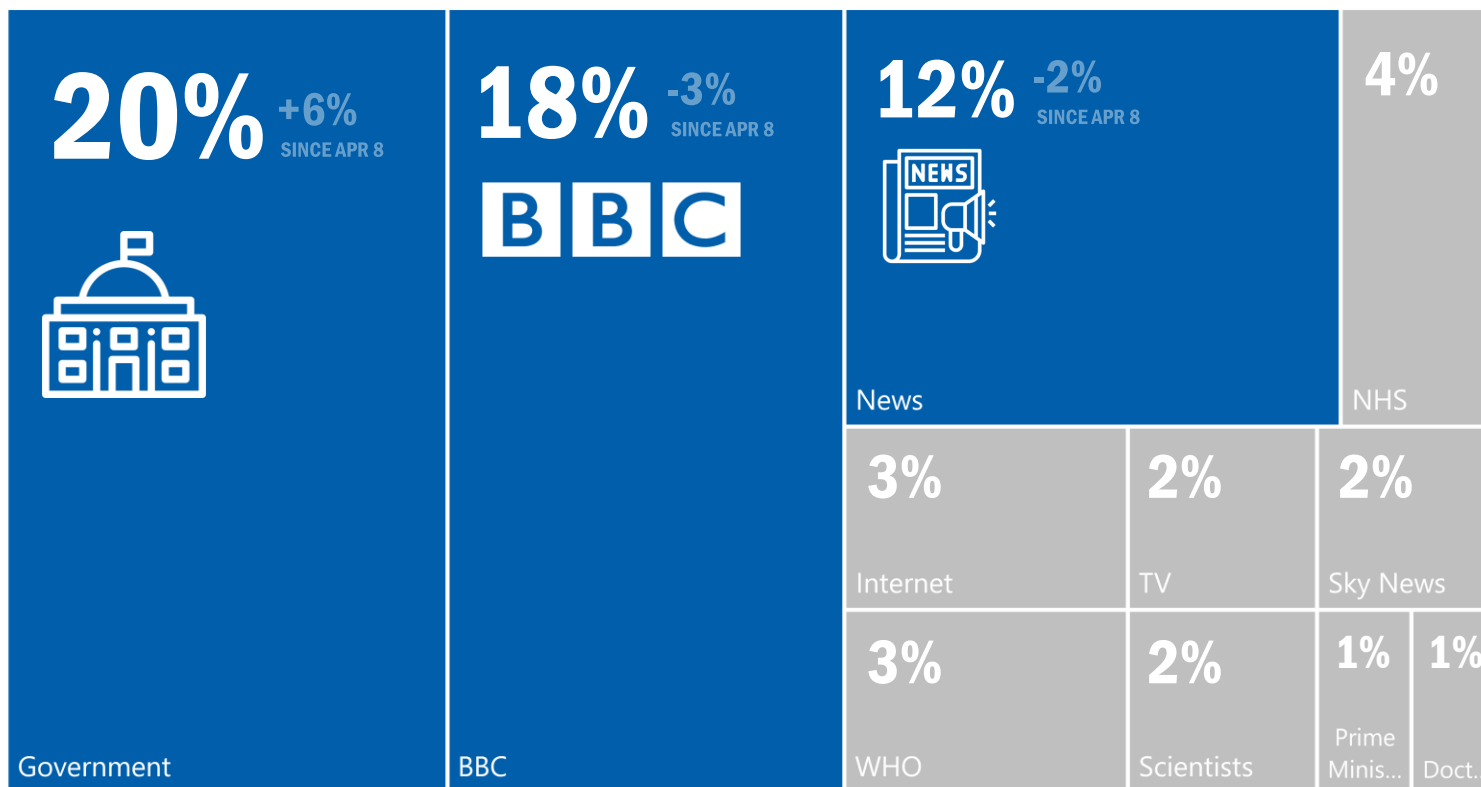


Unaided : What do you believe to be the best - most reliable source of information on Coronavirus? IMI 24™ - April 8th vs May 14, 2020 Canada N=500



UNAIDED SOURCES OF INFORMATION

In the UK, the Government has seen positive gains since April becoming the most trusted source of information.

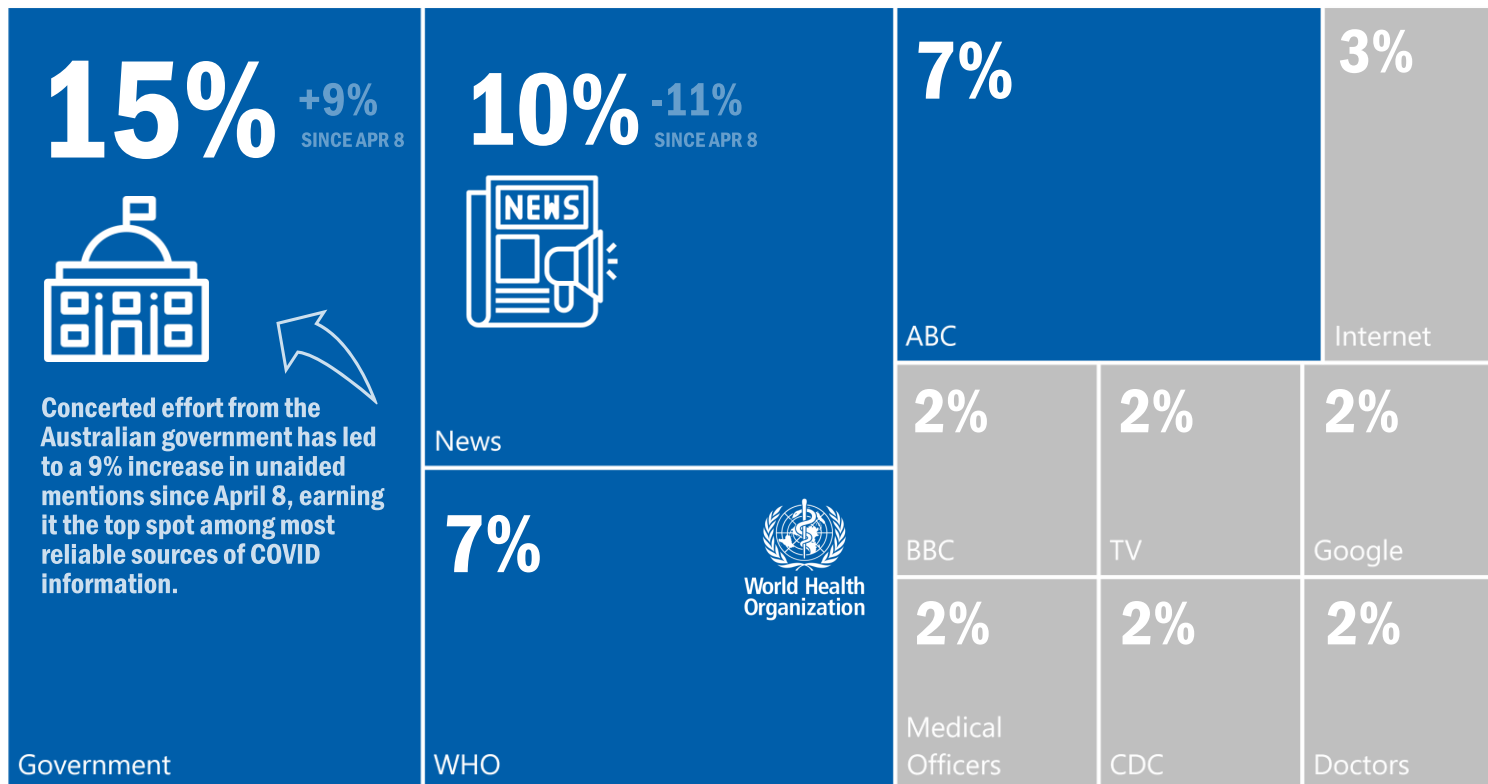


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UNAIDED SOURCES OF INFORMATION

In Australia, the Government has made significant gains since April, becoming the best and most trusted source of information.



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IMI 24™ - April 8th vs May 14, 2020 Australia N=500.

SECTION 5

Today's Realities: Things that are 'much better' and 'much worse' during this time

LOOKING AT BOTH SIDES: TOP 5

Things that have gotten much better and much worse as a result of COVID-19.

TOP 5 MUCH BETTER



	 US	 CANADA	 UK	 AUSTRALIA
Your appreciation for a simpler life	33	29	42	27
Your desire to be active	21	27	19	17
Your desire to reach out to friends	19	22	14	21
Your relationship with people in your home	19	20	23	15
Your relationship with your family	18	21	13	19



	US	CANADA	UK	AUSTRALIA
Your Mental Health	27	24	22	18
Your eating habits	26	23	28	23
Feeling anxious at times	23	26	31	16
Your diet	20	19	27	16
Your desire to be active	18	20	21	17

TOP 5 MUCH WORSE

On an aided basis, which of these things have gotten 'much better' or 'much worse' since the start of the Coronavirus.





Much Better

Finding the silver lining: Globally people are finding a heightened appreciation for a simpler life and social connection.

On an aided basis, which of these things have gotten 'much better' since the start of the Coronavirus.

Your appreciation for a simpler life

Your desire to be active
 Your desire to reach out to friends
 Your relationship with people in your home
 Your relationship with your family
 Your desire to meet your friends
 Your ability to deal with stress
 Your desire to go to work/school
 Your financial situation
 Your physical health
 Your relationship with your friends
 Your eating habits
 Your diet
 Your family's financial situation
 Your level of anxiety
 Your drinking habits
 Your mental health
 Your friends' financial situation

US 	CANADA 	UK 	AUSTRALIA 
33	29	42	27
21	27	19	17
19	22	14	21
19	20	23	15
18	21	13	19
15	21	9	14
12	12	11	14
12	12	12	11
12	11	14	12
12	11	13	9
11	15	11	10
11	13	19	13
9	12	21	15
9	9	9	6
9	12	4	7
7	6	10	10
5	10	9	9
1	5	19	3





Much Worse

The other side of the coin: Mental health and physical health concerns are prevalent globally, showcasing a need for greater support systems.

On an aided basis, which of these things have gotten 'much worse' since the start of the Coronavirus.

Your Mental Health

Your eating habits
Feeling anxious at times
Your diet
Your desire to be active
Your desire to reach out to friends
Your family's financial situation
Your desire to go to Work/School
Your ability to deal with stress
Your friends' financial situation
Your desire to meet your friends
Your physical health
Your financial situation
Your appreciation for a simpler life
Your relationship with your family
Your relationship with your friends
The amount of beer/alcohol consumed
Your relationship with people in your home

US	CANADA	UK	AUSTRALIA
			
27	24	22	18
26	23	28	23
23	26	31	16
20	19	27	16
18	20	21	17
17	18	18	19
16	16	14	13
15	18	12	12
14	17	18	8
14	13	10	16
13	22	23	24
13	15	14	13
13	19	16	14
12	15	9	12
8	10	9	7
7	16	12	12
5	9	14	15
4	11	7	10



SPOTLIGHT

The Recovery Playbook: V1

Tactics for a Successful New Normal

IMI RECOVERY PLAYBOOK VERSION 1



PART 1: Building Consumer Confidence

Evaluating a variety of ways to increase confidence and encourage people to return to venues and events.



PART 2: Winning in June 2020

Exploration of tactics designed to make people feel better toward a brand, product or service.

Brands Winning in 2020: Playbook V1 Process

PHASE 1: DISCOVERY

10,000 People

IMI asked 10 thousand people from across the globe what brands, companies and services have done to make them 'feel better' or 'encouraged them to try or purchase?'



PHASE 2: EXPLORATION

300 Brands Reviewed

IMI reviewed in market actions that brands across the globe imitated to a) encourage people to be comfortable/safe b) embrace their community, and c) motivate people to feel better toward their brand, product or service.



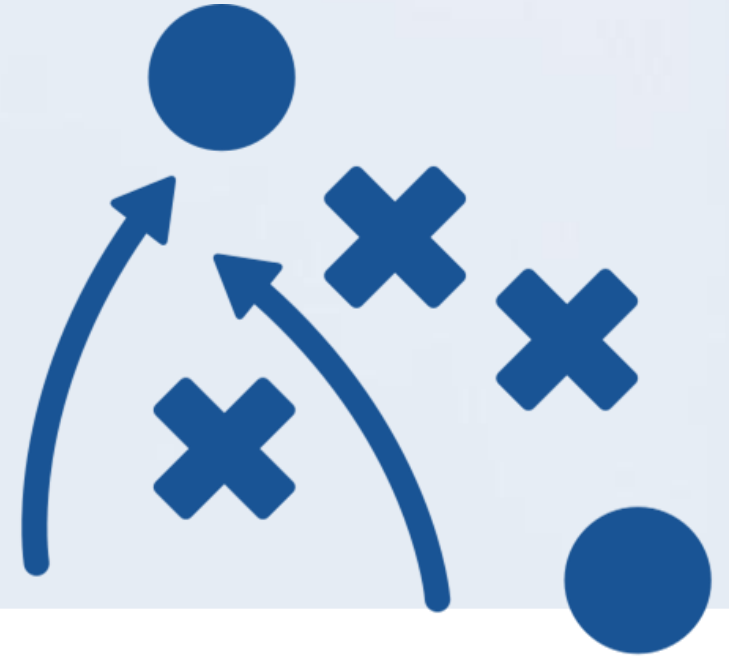
PHASE 3: IMI CERTAINTY™

20,000 People

IMI used its proprietary Certainty™ testing platform to test over 60 different initiatives across 4 markets. Each test was completed to identify opportunities for brands to leverage to go to market in the coming days/months.



**IMI NextWave™
Global Recovery
Playbook V2
will be available in
the coming weeks.**



PART 1

Building Consumer Confidence





RECOVERY PLAYBOOK V1: Building Consumer Confidence in Public Places

IMI 24™: May 14th, 2020 : North America 13+ years of age : N=1,000 people Actions to make people comfortable and reduce concern about Coronavirus



TIMING: NEW NORMAL

CHANNEL: PUBLIC PLACE

WHO:

METRIC: BUILDING CONFIDENCE

Tables sanitized before you sit

KEY ACTION

	FEMALE	MALE
42%	42%	42%

Complimentary hand sanitizer each visit

KEY ACTION

NA	FEMALE	MALE
37%	36%	37%

Complimentary hand sanitizer stations

KEY ACTION

NA	FEMALE	MALE
36%	34%	34%

Sanitization of all equipment before each use

KEY ACTION

NA	FEMALE	MALE
34%	38%	36%

No contact food pick-up

KEY ACTION

NA	FEMALE	MALE
33%	33%	33%

	NORTH AMERICA	FEMALE	MALE
Complimentary cleansing wipes	32%	35%	32%
Sanitization / cleaning every night	30%	41%	23%
Covid-19 Social Distancing signage posted	28%	24%	26%
Sanitization / cleaning every morning	28%	32%	26%
Use 'call-ahead' service.	28%	20%	28%
Complimentary mask each visit	27%	31%	22%
Ground marked with social distancing marks	26%	30%	23%
Every staff member takes Covid-19 training	23%	22%	26%

	NORTH AMERICA	FEMALE	MALE
Tap credit and debit only	18%	17%	20%
Complimentary gloves each visit	17%	15%	18%
The government tells me I can go	17%	17%	21%
Covid-19 protocol posted online	15%	18%	13%
Use our custom app to order	15%	19%	13%
Cash not accepted or returned	13%	15%	11%
No touch boxed meals available	9%	5%	8%



RECOVERY PLAYBOOK V1: Building Consumer Confidence at Retail

IMI 24™: May 14th, 2020 : North America 13+ years of age : N=1,000 people We Asked: What things does a _____ need to do to ensure you are confident that going there is safe from Coronavirus?



TIMING: NEW NORMAL

CHANNEL: MALLS AND RETAIL

WHO:

METRIC: BUILDING CONFIDENCE

Hand sanitizer at the door

CRITICAL ACTION

	FEMALE	MALE
64%	65%	63%

Curbside pick-up orders to limit interaction

KEY ACTION

NA	FEMALE	MALE
43%	58%	31%

Mandatory to wear masks in the store

KEY ACTION

NA	FEMALE	MALE
41%	60%	32%

Greeters with masks and cleaning wipes

KEY ACTION

NA	FEMALE	MALE
39%	50%	38%

Limit on people allowed in the store at once

KEY ACTION

NA	FEMALE	MALE
39%	44%	50%

	NORTH AMERICA	FEMALE	MALE
Promoting the cleaning measures being taken	37%	48%	19%
Protective glass between workers/customers	33%	50%	23%
Self Checkouts	33%	39%	38%
Curbside pick up orders to limit interaction	33%	39%	38%
A line up preventing overcrowding	31%	42%	31%
A board outside telling of their prevention	29%	35%	25%
Masks provided to people who do not have	27%	30%	27%
Special times where only seniors are allowed	27%	26%	38%
A thermal pre-check of each person entering	25%	31%	19%
I wont shop if what I need is online	25%	30%	24%
Gloves provided to people before entering	16%	26%	13%
An app that tells you the prevention methods	14%	12%	13%

	NORTH AMERICA	FEMALE	MALE
A phone app to show wait times and line time	10%	10%	9%
Commercials on their COVID19 protocols	10%	12%	13%
Increase public health inspections	10%	10%	14%
Reduced Hours	8%	8%	6%
Donate a portion of sales to frontline work	8%	9%	13%
Donate a portion of sales to COVID19 Relief	8%	4%	13%
Schedule shopping hours online	8%	5%	13%
Promoting new products I want	6%	4%	13%
Safety precautions showed in flyers	6%	10%	5%
More cashless payments available	2%	1%	4%
No Cash Allowed	2%	4%	1%



RECOVERY PLAYBOOK V1: Building Consumer Confidence in Restaurants

IMI 24™: May 14th, 2020 : North America 13+ years of age : N=400 people We Asked: What things does a _____ need to do to ensure you are confident that going there is safe from Coronavirus?



TIMING: NEW NORMAL

CHANNEL: SIT DOWN RESTAURANTS

WHO:

METRIC: BUILDING CONFIDENCE

Cooks and chefs with gloves and masks

IMPACTS

	FEMALE	MALE
43%	44%	42%

Servers with masks

IMPACTS

NORTH AMERICA	FEMALE	MALE
40%	37%	39%

Sanitizer at the table

IMPACTS

NORTH AMERICA	FEMALE	MALE
37%	34%	45%

Servers with gloves

MODERATE IMPACT

NORTH AMERICA	FEMALE	MALE
29%	34%	24%

No physical menus – only a menu board

MODERATE IMPACT

NORTH AMERICA	FEMALE	MALE
25%	20%	28%

Packaged cutlery that I personally open

LOWER IMPACT

NORTH AMERICA	FEMALE	MALE
24%	23%	23%



RECOVERY PLAYBOOK V1: Building Consumer Confidence F&B at Events

IMI 24™: May 14th, 2020 : North America 13+ years of age : N=2,400 people Actions to make people comfortable and reduce concern about Coronavirus



TIMING: NEW NORMAL

CHANNEL: F&B AT EVENTS

WHO:

METRIC: BUILDING CONFIDENCE

Reduced tables to ensure 6 feet apart

1

MODERATE IMPACT

	FEMALE	MALE
32%	35%	27%

Provide wipes to further clean table

2

MODERATE IMPACT

NORTH AMERICA	FEMALE	MALE
28%	27%	26%

Limiting the number of seats at the bar

3

LOWER IMPACT

NORTH AMERICA	FEMALE	MALE
22%	25%	18%

No shared tables

4

LOWER IMPACT

NORTH AMERICA	FEMALE	MALE
20%	22%	15%

Food never touched after it is cooked

5

LOWER IMPACT

NORTH AMERICA	FEMALE	MALE
18%	15%	17%

Mobile menu option

6

LOW IMPACT

NORTH AMERICA	FEMALE	MALE
9%	7%	10%



RECOVERY PLAYBOOK V1: Building Consumer Confidence at Events

IMI 24™ : N=400 per country: We Asked: What things does a _____ need to do to ensure you are comfortable and feel safe.



TIMING: NEW NORMAL

CHANNEL: AT EVENTS

WHO:    

METRIC: BUILDING CONFIDENCE

Capacity limit reductions

1

KEY ACTION

			
39%	37%	39%	33%

Sanitizer available throughout the event

2

KEY ACTION

USA	CAN	UK	AUS
33%	33%	31%	31%

Set times for entrance to manage crowds

3

KEY ACTION

USA	CAN	UK	AUS
21%	21%	33%	24%

Temperature check at every entrance

4

KEY ACTION

USA	CAN	UK	AUS
21%	22%	26%	29%

No standing room allowed

5

KEY ACTION

USA	CAN	UK	AUS
18%	19%	19%	14%

Details posted on cleaning and safety

6

KEY ACTION

USA	CAN	UK	AUS
17%	15%	17%	17%



RECOVERY PLAYBOOK V1: Building Consumer Confidence at Events in N.A.

IMI 24™: May 14th, 2020 : North America 13+ years of age : N=2,400 people Actions to make people comfortable and reduce concern about Coronavirus



TIMING: NEW NORMAL

CHANNEL: AT EVENTS

WHO:

METRIC: BUILDING CONFIDENCE

Capacity limit reductions

1

IMPACTS

	FEMALE	MALE
39%	42%	36%

Masks provided to people who do not have

2

IMPACTS

NA	FEMALE	MALE
35%	38%	29%

Sanitizer available throughout the event

3

IMPACTS

NA	FEMALE	MALE
33%	44%	21%

Increase the space between seats

4

MODERATE IMPACT

NA	FEMALE	MALE
31%	33%	30%

Limit capacity for the event

5

MODERATE IMPACT

NA	FEMALE	MALE
30%	36%	23%

	NORTH AMERICA	FEMALE	MALE
Take the temperatures of staff	27%	27%	22%
Daily health checks on employees	26%	26%	27%
Reserved seating only	23%	22%	23%
Set times for entrance to manage crowds	21%	25%	16%
Temperature check of people at every entrance	21%	25%	21%
No standing room allowed	18%	20%	18%

	NORTH AMERICA	FEMALE	MALE
Event themed Masks	17%	20%	14%
Details posted on cleaning and safety	17%	18%	13%
Limit traffic in the corridors and hallways	15%	19%	10%
Ability to bring in your own food	12%	16%	7%
No tickets sold at the door	9%	11%	10%
Onsite doctors	5%	3%	6%



RECOVERY PLAYBOOK V1: Building Consumer Confidence at Concert Venues

IMI 24™: May 14th, 2020 : North America 13+ years of age : N=2,400 people Actions to make people comfortable and reduce concern about Coronavirus



TIMING: NEW NORMAL

CHANNEL: AT CONCERT VENUES



WHO:  

METRIC: BUILDING CONFIDENCE

Capacity limit reductions

1

IMPACTS

 	FEMALE	MALE
33%	36%	28%

Increase the space in between taken seats

2

MODERATE IMPACT

NA	FEMALE	MALE
31%	32%	39%

Sanitizer everywhere

3

MODERATE IMPACT

NA	FEMALE	MALE
29%	32%	22%

Masks provided to people who do not have

4

MODERATE IMPACT

NA	FEMALE	MALE
29%	36%	17%

Daily health checks on employees

5

MODERATE IMPACT

NA	FEMALE	MALE
27%	32%	22%

	NORTH AMERICA	FEMALE	MALE
Temperature check of every entrant	25	27	22
Limit hallway traffic	25	28	22
Event themed Masks	24	19	24
Reserved seating only	22	19	19
Details posted on sanitation to keep clean	20	18	22
No standing room	16	23	11
Set times for entrance to manage crowds	16	14	17

	NORTH AMERICA	FEMALE	MALE
Onsite doctors	12	7	19
Frontline worker promotions	12	12	11
Bring in own food	8	10	10
No tickets at door	6	5	7
No giveaways	4	4	6
Mobile Menu Option	2	7	5



RECOVERY PLAYBOOK V1: Building Consumer Confidence Cause at Events

IMI 24™: May 14th, 2020 : North America 13+ years of age : N=2,400 people Actions to make people comfortable and reduce concern about Coronavirus



TIMING: NEW NORMAL

CHANNEL: CAUSE AT EVENTS



WHO:  

METRIC: BUILDING CONFIDENCE

1 Donate portion of sales to frontline workers

1

LOWER IMPACT

 	FEMALE	MALE
20%	24%	16%

2 Frontline workers receive additional pay

2

LOWER IMPACT

NORTH AMERICA	FEMALE	MALE
13%	19%	10%

3 Donate a portion of sales to COVID-19 relief

3

LOWER IMPACT

NORTH AMERICA	FEMALE	MALE
13%	13%	13%



RECOVERY PLAYBOOK V1: Building Consumer Confidence



TIMING: NEW NORMAL

CHANNEL: ACROSS ALL

METRIC: BUILDING CONFIDENCE

WHAT WE'VE LEARNED

- 1** Constant visual confirmation of cleanliness will be a baseline for creating and reinforcing confidence for the foreseeable future.
- 2** Consumers expect companies will go above and beyond – providing cleansing wipes, cleaning nightly and daily, free on-site sanitizer.
- 3** Communication of extra measures e.g. staff training, digital and physical signage, will all help to build consumer confidence in the new normal.

MALLS AND
RETAIL

**Hand sanitizer
at the door**

SIT DOWN
RESTAURANTS

**Sanitizer at
the table**

PUBLIC
PLACES

**Tables sanitized
before you sit**

AT CONCERT
VENUES

**Sanitizer
everywhere**

AT EVENTS

**Sanitizer available
throughout the event**





PART 2

Winning in June 2020





RECOVERY PLAYBOOK V1: Winning in June 2020 via Donations

IMI 24™ : N=1,250 per country: We Asked: Which of the following actions would make you feel better toward the company or service for the month of June during this difficult time?



TIMING: JUNE 2020

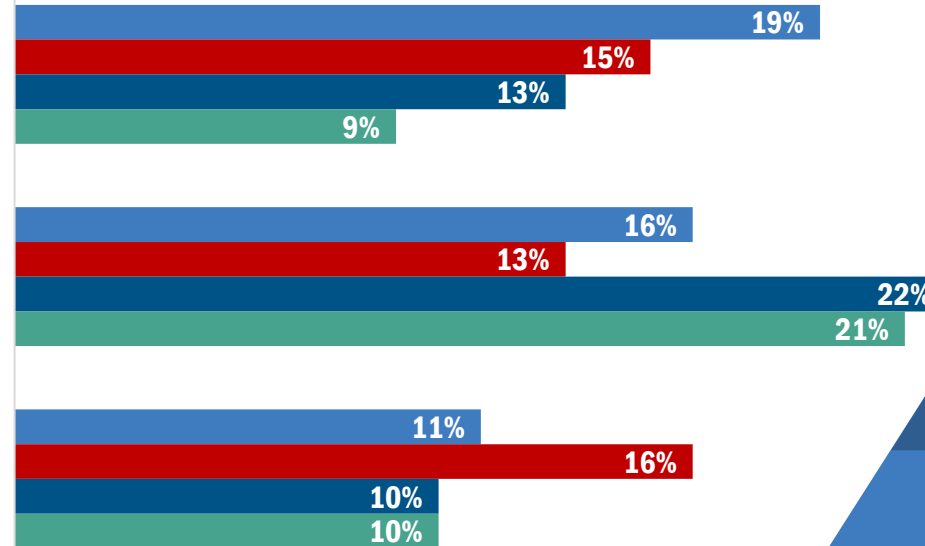
TACTIC: CHARITABLE DONATIONS

METRIC: FEEL BETTER TOWARD

Donating \$2,500,000
in **Food Donations**

Donating \$2,500,000
to **local hospitals**

Donating \$2,500,000
to the **Red Cross**



USA
CANADA
UK
AUSTRALIA

KEY TAKEAWAY ● →

**Direct donations
drive impact.**

All donations drive positive brand sentiment during this health pandemic. Pick something that fits your brand authentically.



RECOVERY PLAYBOOK V1: Winning in June 2020 via Donations

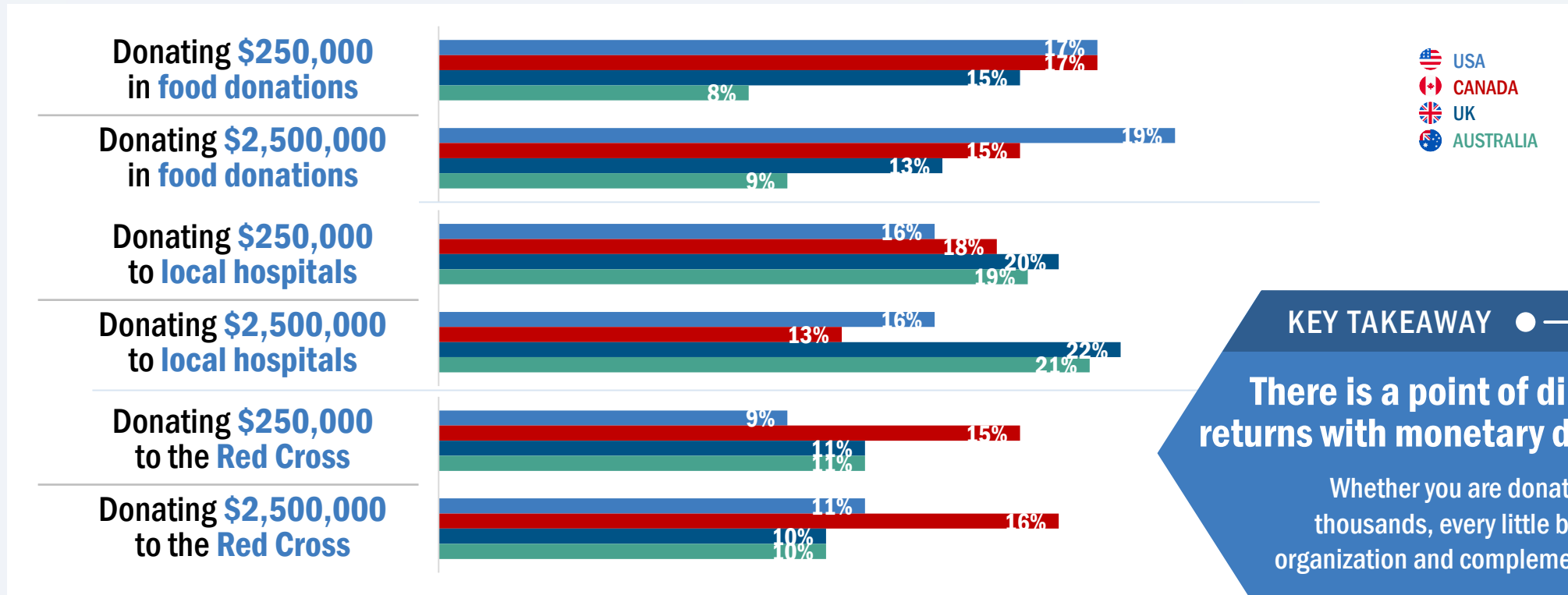
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TACTIC: CHARITABLE DONATIONS

METRIC: FEEL BETTER TOWARD





RECOVERY PLAYBOOK V1: Winning in June 2020 via Cause

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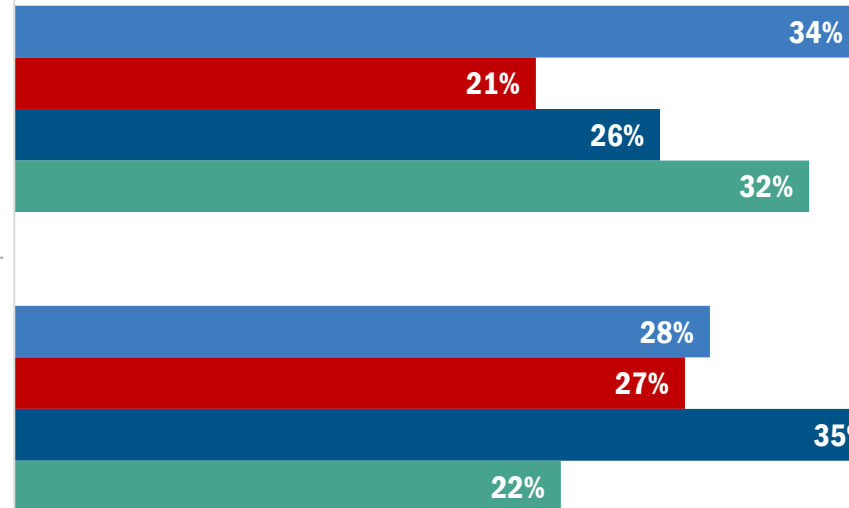
TIMING: JUNE 2020

TACTIC: FEEDING CHILDREN

METRIC: FEEL BETTER TOWARD

Feeding over
100,000 children
per day

Feeding over
10,000 children
per day



KEY TAKEAWAY ● →

Similarly, whether you support 10,000 or 100,000 children daily, both contributions will lead to people feeling better about your brand.



RECOVERY PLAYBOOK V1: Winning in June 2020 via Cause

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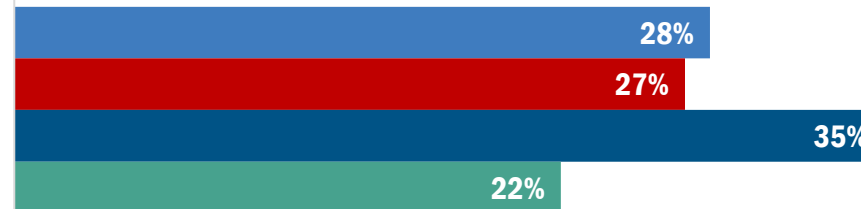
TACTIC: FEEDING PEOPLE

METRIC: FEEL BETTER TOWARD

Feeding over
10,000 people
per day



Feeding over
10,000 children
per day



KEY TAKEAWAY ● —————>

The COVID-19 pandemic has affected everyone, so 'helping people' or 'children' is effective-whether children, families or the older generations.



RECOVERY PLAYBOOK V1: Winning in June 2020 via Donations

IMI 24™ : N=1,250 per country: We Asked: Which of the following actions would make you feel better toward the company or service for the month of June during this difficult time?



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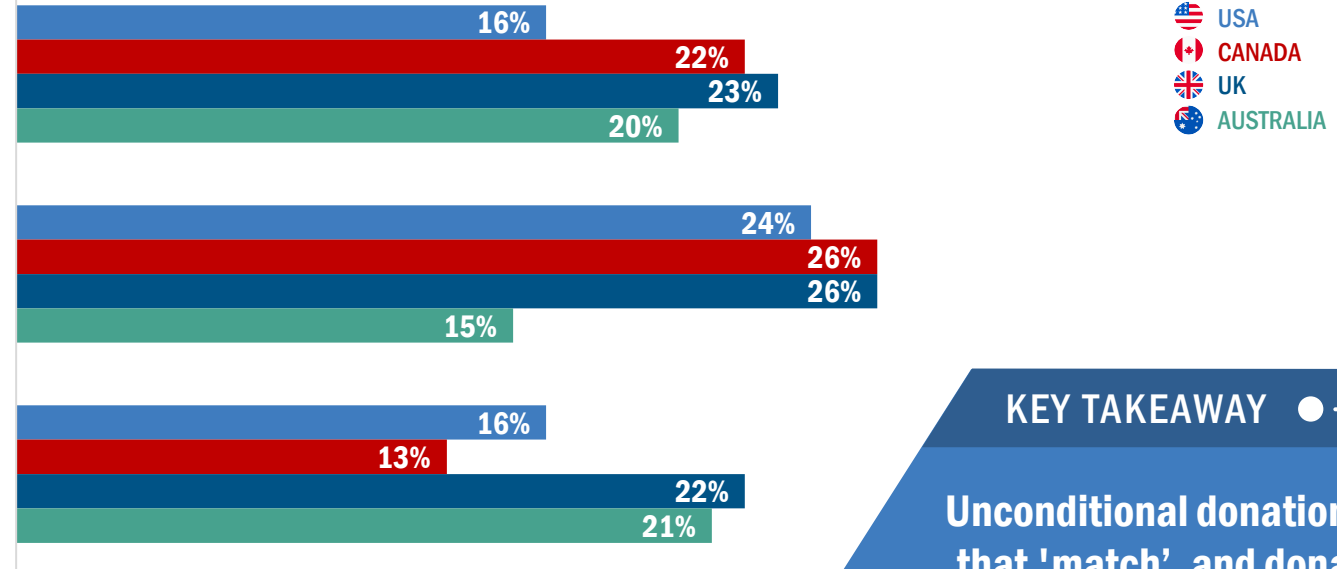
TACTIC: DONATIONS

METRIC: FEEL BETTER TOWARD

Matching donations of up to \$10 Million

Donating \$2 Million in Gas/Petrol to fuel front line people

Donating \$2,500,000 to local hospitals



KEY TAKEAWAY ● —————>

Unconditional donations, donations that 'match', and donations of your products are all helpful and effective at building positive brand sentiment.



RECOVERY PLAYBOOK V1: Winning in June 2020 via Frontline Donations

IMI 24™ : N=1,250 per country: We Asked: Which of the following actions would make you feel better toward the company or service for the month of June during this difficult time?



TIMING: JUNE 2020

TACTIC: DONATIONS TO FRONTLINE WORKERS

METRIC: FEEL BETTER TOWARD

Donating **free lunches** for front line people

Donating **free lunch/dinner** for front line people

Free cellular service for front line people

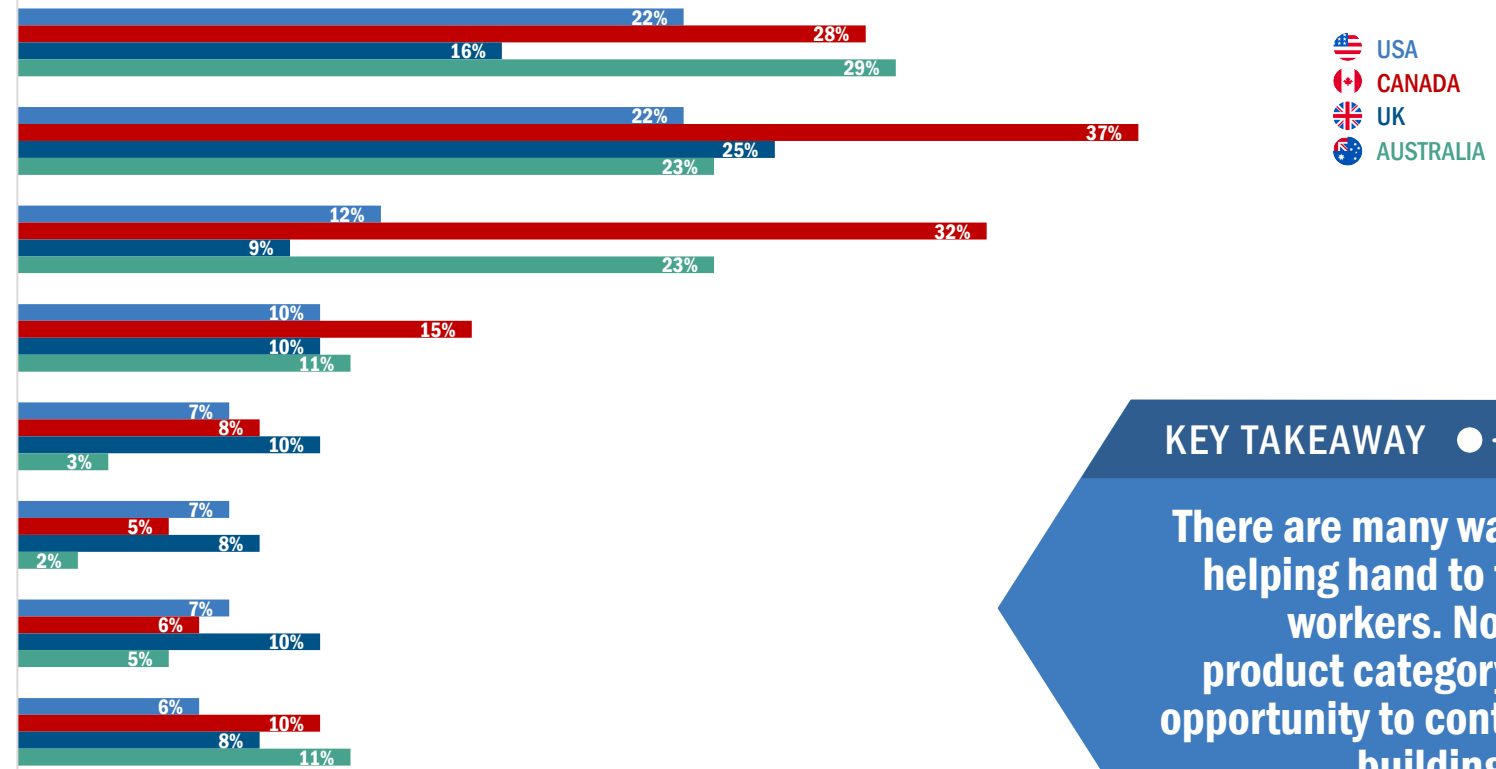
Donating **free UBER** for front line people

Free coffee and donuts for front line people

Free disney+ to front line workers for 2020

Donating **free tissue** for front line people

Free Netflix to front line workers for 2020



KEY TAKEAWAY

There are many ways to offer a helping hand to the frontline workers. No matter your product category, there's an opportunity to contribute while building your brand.



RECOVERY PLAYBOOK V1: Winning in June 2020 via Discounts

IMI 24™ : N=400 per country: We Asked: Which of the following actions would make you feel better toward the company or service for the month of June during this difficult time?

TIMING: JUNE 2020

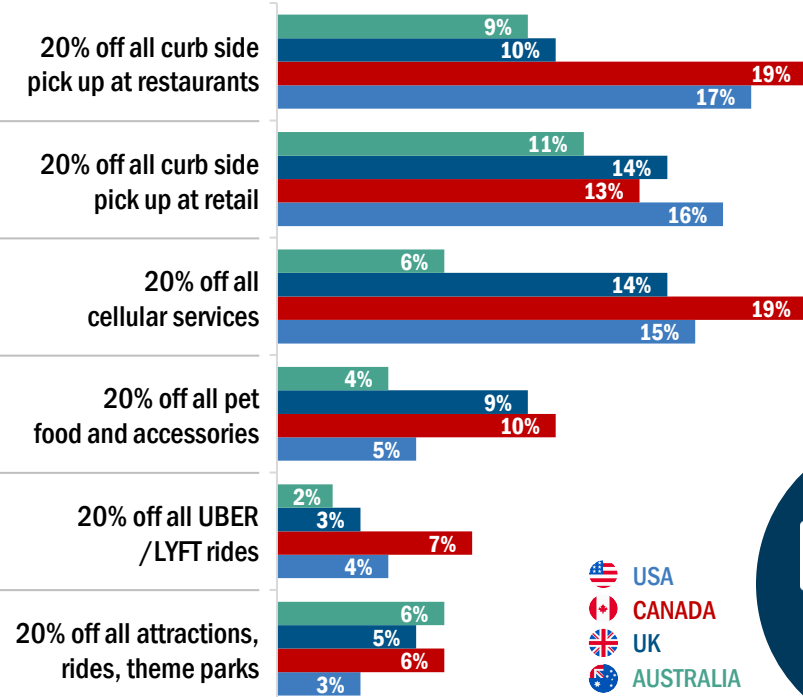
TACTIC: DISCOUNTS

METRIC: FEEL BETTER TOWARD

IMPACT OF DISCOUNTING

Offering short term discounts provide little value in brand building and will erode margins. Use discounts sparingly as a short-term tactic and not a strategy for recovery in 2020-21.

Focus on being relevant, compelling and better than competition by offering true value and a great experience. If a brand does not offer a great experience with value and authenticity, it is expected that the consumer will make them pay dearly.



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UK
AUSTRALIA





RECOVERY PLAYBOOK V1: Winning in June 2020 via Discounts

IMI 24™ : N=400 per country: We Asked: Which of the following actions would make you feel better toward the company or service for the month of June during this difficult time?



TIMING: JUNE 2020

TACTIC: DISCOUNTS

METRIC: FEEL BETTER TOWARD

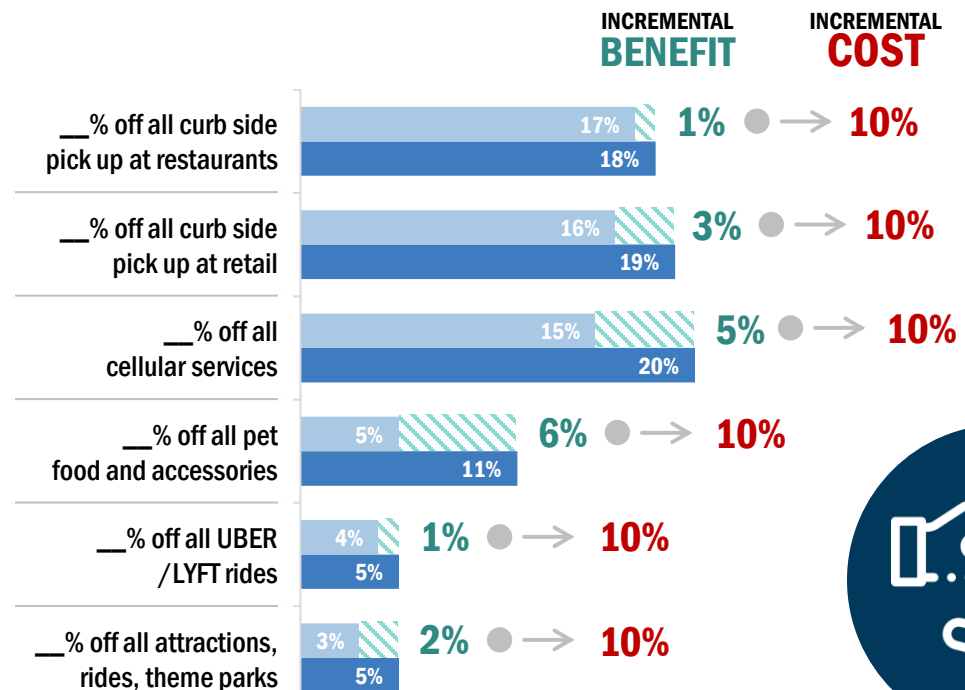
THE IMPACT VS. COST OF INCREMENTAL DISCOUNTING

The incremental benefit to a brand that comes from discounting an additional 10% is marginal and does not outweigh the costs.

Reality: Be very cautious using 'discounting' to drive impact with consumers. In addition, be relentless to ensure an ROI!

COMPARING:

20% OFF vs. 30% OFF





RECOVERY PLAYBOOK V1: Winning in June 2020 Initial Learning

IMI 24™ : N=1,250 per country: We Asked: Which of the following actions would make you feel better toward the company or service for the month of June during this difficult time?



TIMING: JUNE 2020

TACTIC: COVID RELATED EFFORTS

METRIC: FEEL BETTER TOWARD

3 Simple steps to optimize what you are doing

- 1** There are many options to drive positive consumer sentiment. Select one that is authentic, tangible and core to your brand – be direct, real and compelling.
- 2** ‘Donating more’ and ‘doing more’ is often met with diminishing returns. Consider adding value and executing flawlessly to drive the greatest benefit without overthinking how much and/or how many. Find an authentic way to contribute positively and your brand will benefit.
- 3** If you or your brand haven’t yet executed anything consumer facing it’s not too late. From the extensive work we’ve completed with disaster relief, the same recipe is always set for success. Be decisive and quick to market (less than 10 days), and if you’re later to market follow the simple rules of #1 add value to the target #2 be compelling, and #3 be better than current.



Wave 7 + Playbook V 2.0

Early June 2020

IMI NextWave™ will dig deeper into the impact of value offers on:

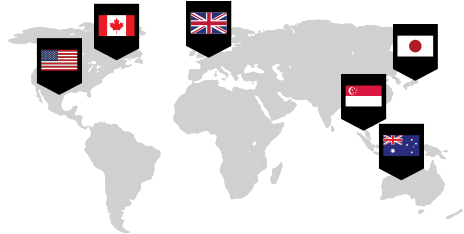
- a) consideration**
- b) preference**
- c) purchasing**

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NEXT UPDATE : COVID-19

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comprehensive
COVID-19 update
will be delivered
in approx. 10 days.