

MSC Consumer Insights 2022

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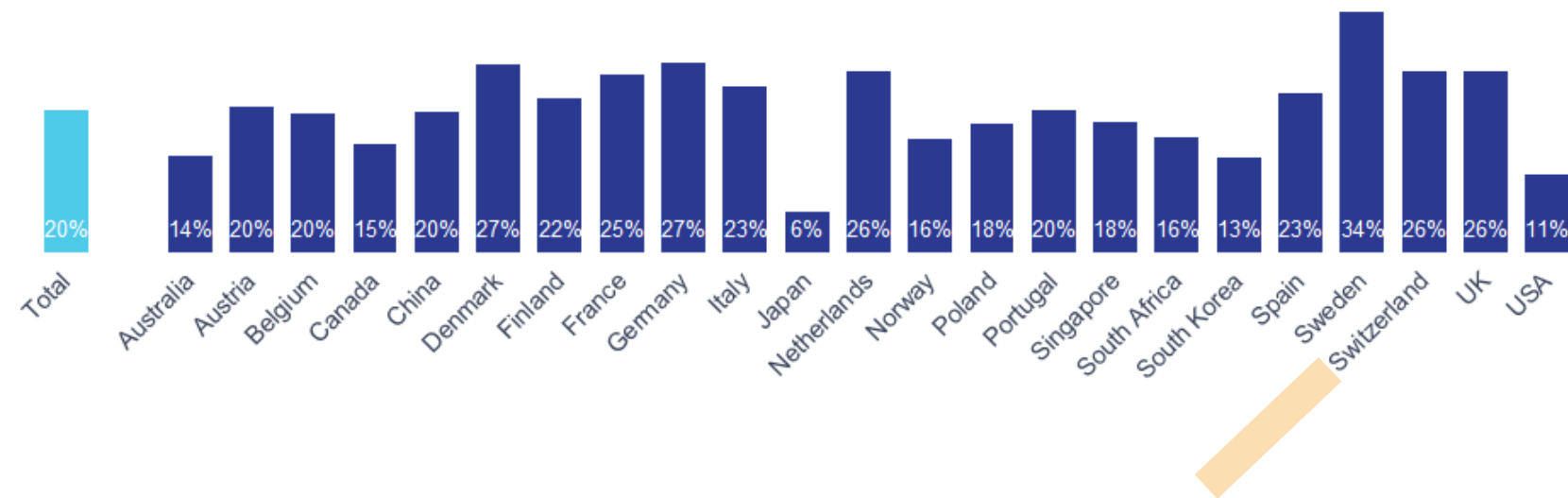
Background and Approach

Understanding the Consumer in this Study

Type of consumer	Description	Switzerland sample size 2022	How do we know if changes since 2020 are significant?
 General Public	A representative sample of consumers across the country (as far as possible using online surveys)	n=875	Differences of +/- 3 percentage points are statistically significant (approx.)
 Seafood Consumers	Consumers in a household where someone has purchased seafood in the past 2 months and/or who regularly eat seafood at home or in a restaurant	n=602	Differences of +/- 4 percentage points are statistically significant (approx.)
 MSC Aware Consumers	Seafood consumers who recall having seen the MSC label "often" or "occasionally"	n=508	Differences of +/- 4 percentage points are statistically significant (approx.)
 MSC Blues	Seafood consumers who care about the planet alongside a love of shopping. When purchasing seafood, they value sustainability highly and prefer buying certified products	n=217	No tracking included

*Note to readers: where sample sizes are small, please approach data with caution, especially where samples are below 50 people

The proportion of all respondents who are **climatarians** by each country



Base: All respondents, global, n=16,141
Q102_4. What are the reasons for changing your diet? – To reduce climate change impact

Climatarians: Sample Sizes and Field Data By Market

Country	Sample size	Field dates
	Climatarians	
Australia	66	1 February – 12 March 2022
Austria	108	11 February – 14 March 2022
Belgium	94	16 February – 3 March 2022
Canada	178	16 February – 13 March 2022
China	356	17 February – 15 March 2022
Denmark	133	16 February – 13 March 2022
Finland	114	16 February – 12 March 2022
France	127	11 February – 11 March 2022
Germany	191	11 February – 14 March 2022
Italy	124	16 February – 11 March 2022
Japan	25	11 February – 13 March 2022
Netherlands	208	11 February – 14 March 2022
Norway	75	11 February – 14 March 2022
Poland	94	11 February – 14 March 2022
Portugal	108	11 February – 13 March 2022
Singapore	98	1 February – 14 March 2022
South Africa	97	1 February – 16 March 2022
South Korea	76	16 February – 13 March 2022
Spain	181	11 February – 14 March 2022
Sweden	259	11 February – 14 March 2022
Switzerland	134	11 February – 11 March 2022
UK	182	25 January – 12 March 2022
USA	246	1 February – 16 March 2022

GlobeScan advises not to proceed with a press release based on Japanese climatarian data due to the very low sample size in this market.

Caution should also be taken in markets where there are fewer than 100 climatarian responses: Australia, Belgium, Norway, Poland, Singapore, South Africa and South Korea. The key question in these markets is whether the media and other stakeholders in your country will consider the sample size to be robust enough – this is likely to vary depending on the market.

How Consumer Intelligence Supports MSC Theory of Change

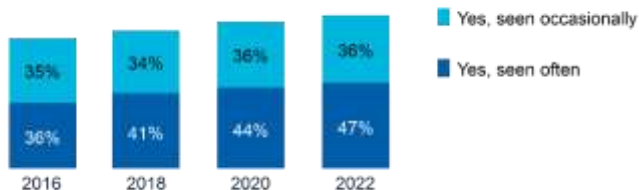




Executive Summary

MSC Switzerland Dashboard

MSC Awareness General Public, Switzerland



Unprompted Understanding Seafood Consumers, Switzerland

Have at least some understanding, mentioning **sustainability and/or certification**



Trust in MSC MSC Aware Consumers, Switzerland



Changes in eating habits General Public, Switzerland

Eating more seafood

13%



Eating less seafood

28%

Love of Seafood and the Oceans

73% Recently purchased seafood
Base: General Public, Switzerland

55% Enjoy eating seafood
Base: General Public, Switzerland

75% Believe we need to switch to only sustainable sources
Base: Seafood consumers, Switzerland

90% Concerned about the state of the world's oceans
Base: Seafood Consumers, Switzerland



Top six motivators of seafood purchase (of 19 factors tested):

Fresh
Taste
Good for my health / my family
Sustainably sourced / enviro friendly
Non-GMO
Safe to eat

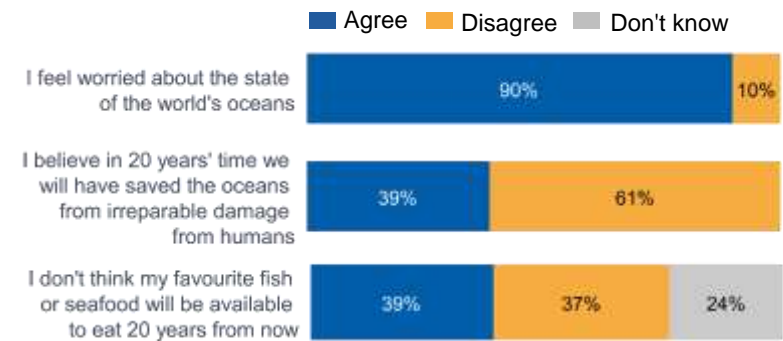
Base: Seafood consumers, Switzerland



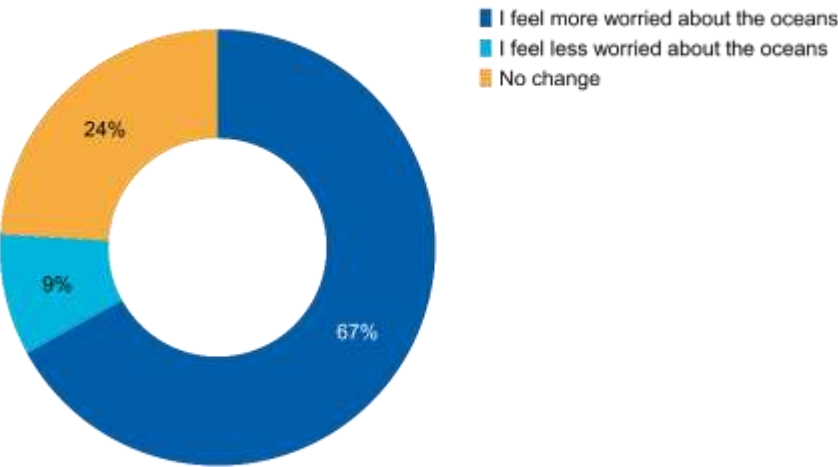
Attitudes to Ocean Sustainability

Ocean Concern

Worry and level of optimism/pessimism about the oceans, 4 pt scale



Change in feelings about the state of the oceans in the past two years, 3 pt scale



Base: Seafood consumers, Switzerland

Q4.5: Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statement: I don't think my favourite fish or seafood will be available to eat 20 years from now

Q105: To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

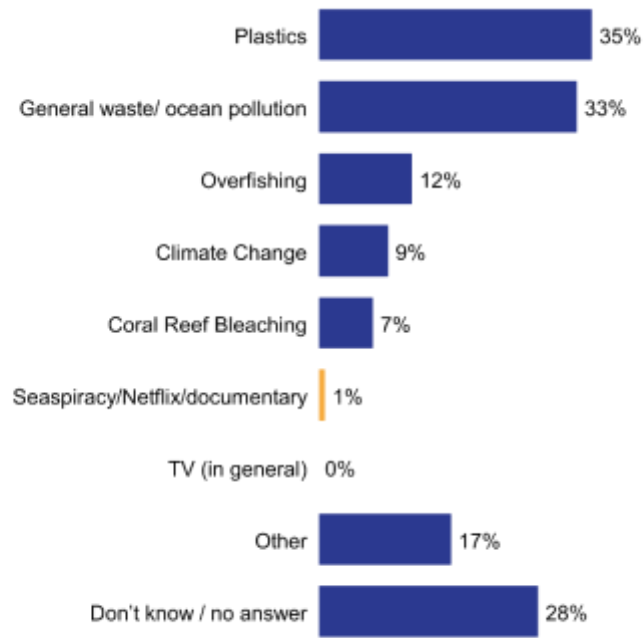
Q106: Which of the following statements best describes how your feelings about the state of the oceans have changed, if at all, in the last two years?



Information Recalled About the State of the Oceans



Spontaneous recall of information seen causing concern on the state of the oceans, unprompted



Only **1%** in Switzerland spontaneously mention Seaspiracy as a source of information about the oceans. This figure is also very low globally.

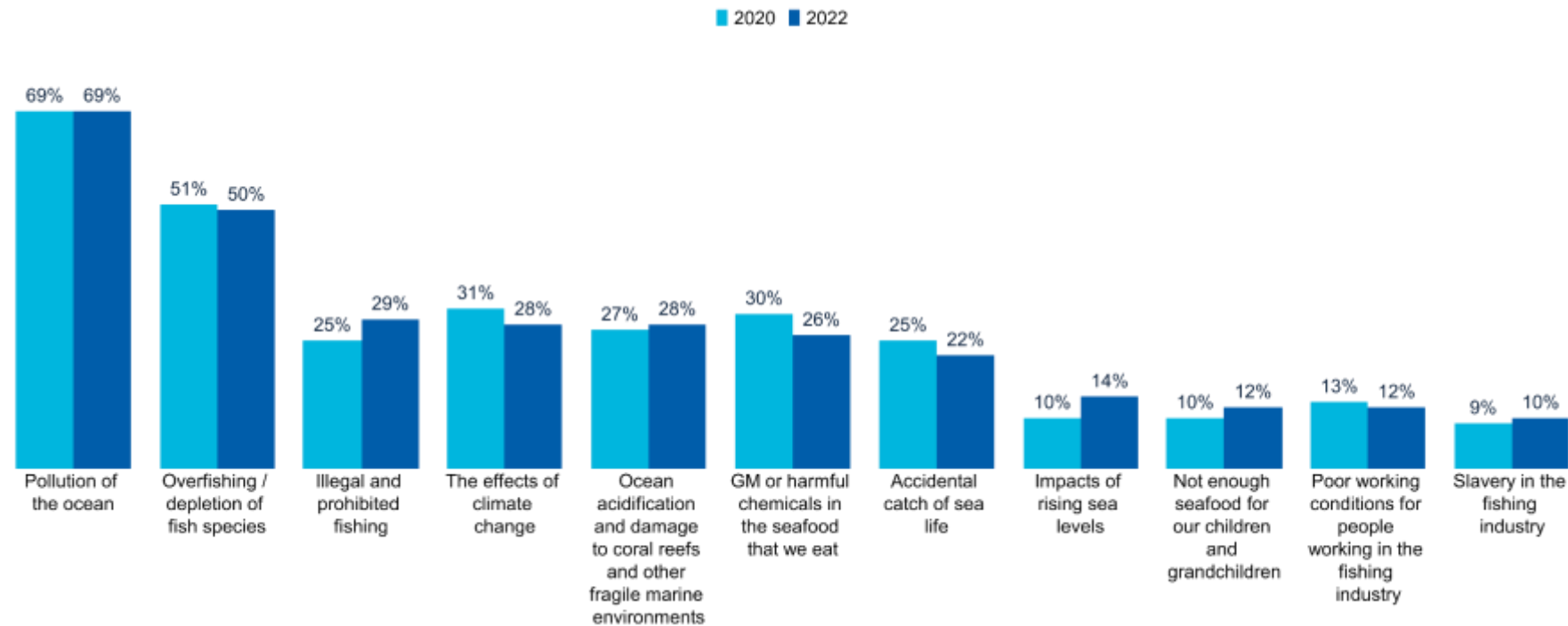
Base: Seafood Consumers

Q107 Please describe any information you have seen or heard about the state of the oceans that's caused you concern in the last year



Most Concerning Threats to Oceans

Issues, (each respondent selected three issues)



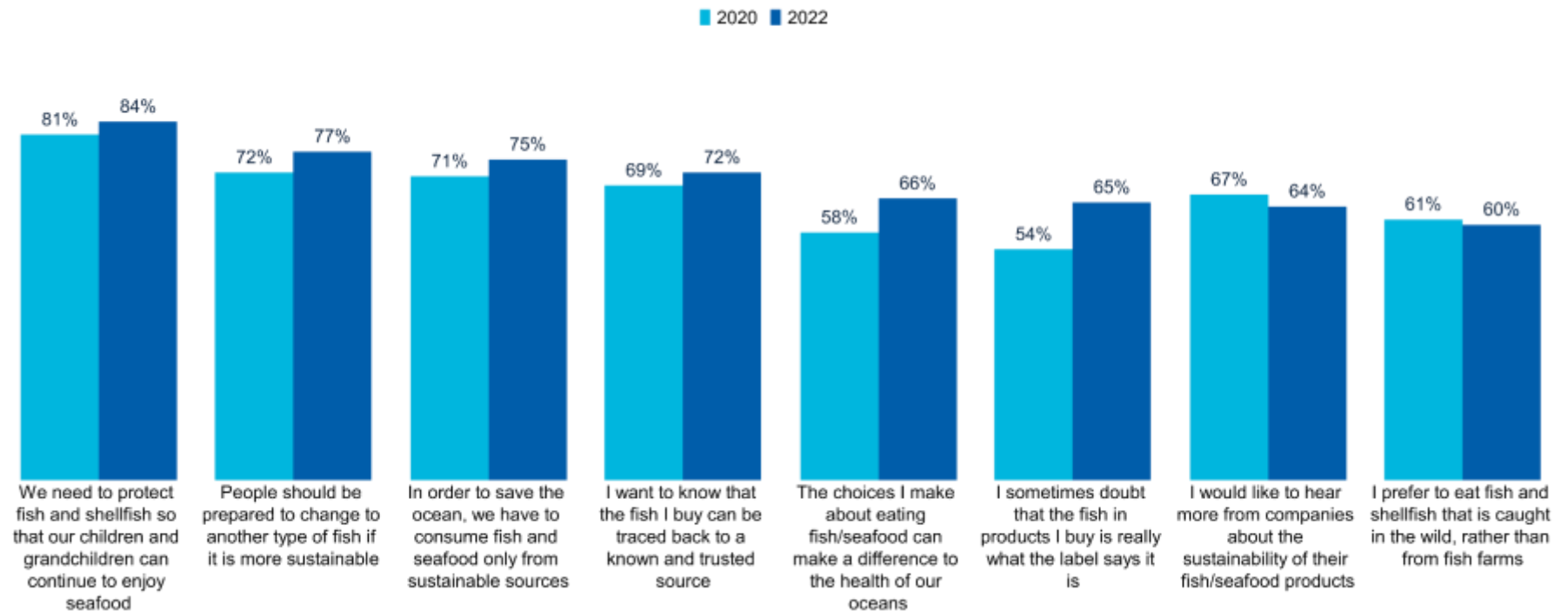
Base: Seafood consumers, Switzerland

Q11.2: There are many different potential threats to the world's oceans, the wildlife living there and the people who work there. Which of these potential issues worries you the most?



Perspectives on Ocean Sustainability and Fish

Describes opinion well, top three (5+6+7 on 7-pt scale)



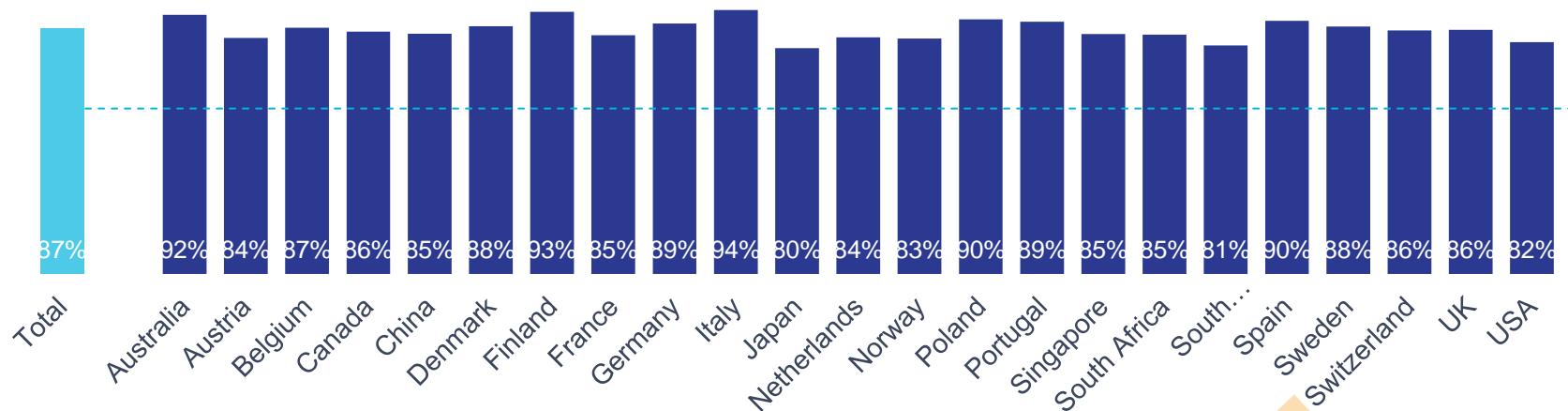
Base: Seafood consumers, Switzerland

Q5.1: How well does each of the following statements describe your opinions? 7-pt scale: 1 = "Does not describe my opinion very well," 7 = "Describes my opinion very well"



Climatarians who believe in order to save the oceans we have to consume fish and seafood only from a sustainable source

7 point scale: Agree (5+6+7)



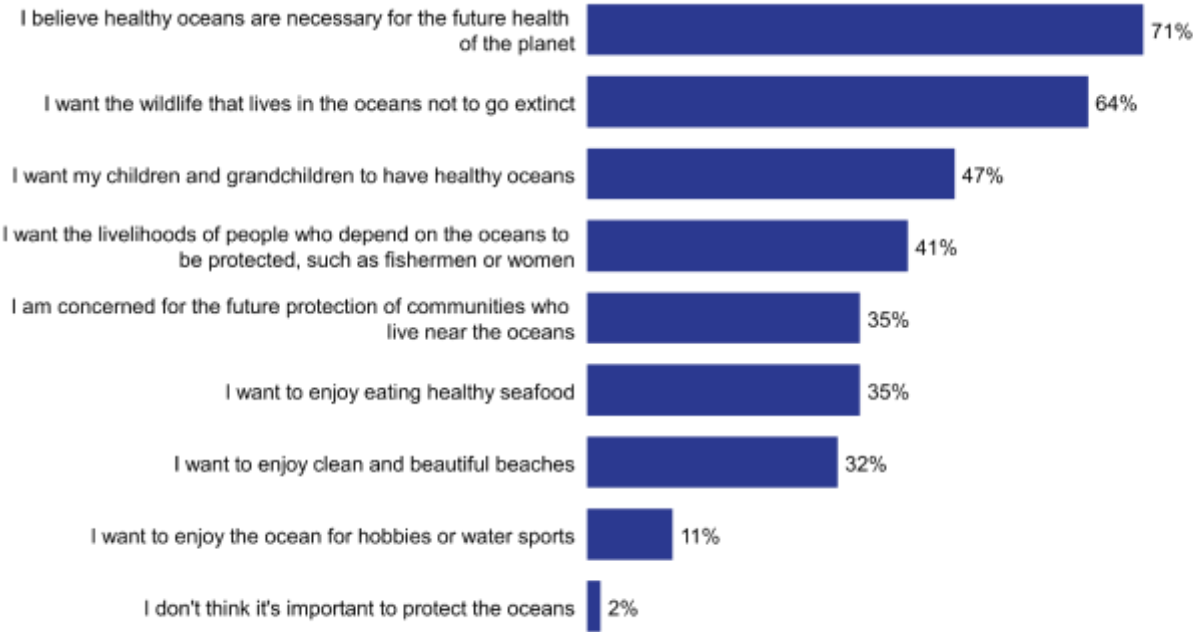
Base: Climatarians, global, n=3,274

Q5.1_1. How well does each of the following statements describe your opinions? – In order to save the ocean, we have to consume fish and seafood only from sustainable sources

Reasons to Protect the Oceans



Reasons to protect the oceans, multi-select, seafood consumers



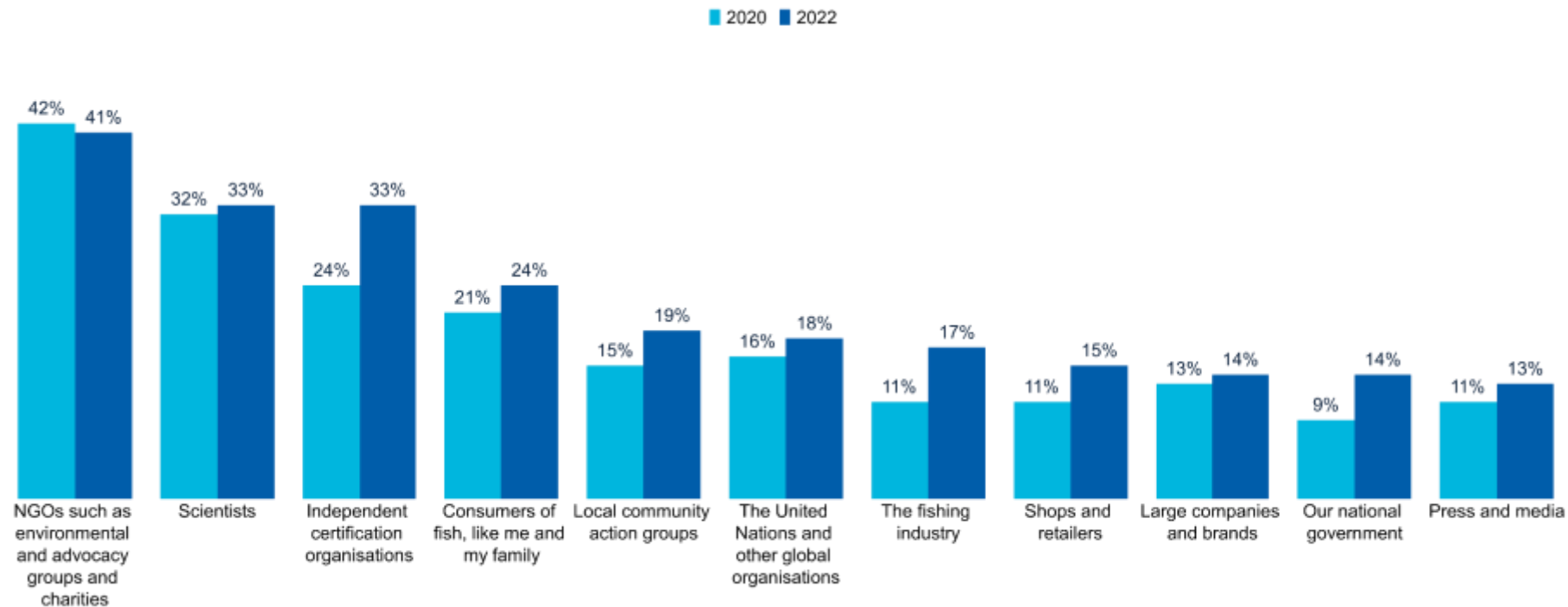
Base: Seafood consumers, Switzerland

Q108 Why do you think it's important to protect the oceans?



Performance of Different Groups in Protecting Oceans

Contributing “very well” to protecting oceans, top two (6+7 on 7-pt scale)



Base: Seafood consumers, Switzerland

Q3.1: How well do you think the following institutions are contributing to protecting the ocean environment?

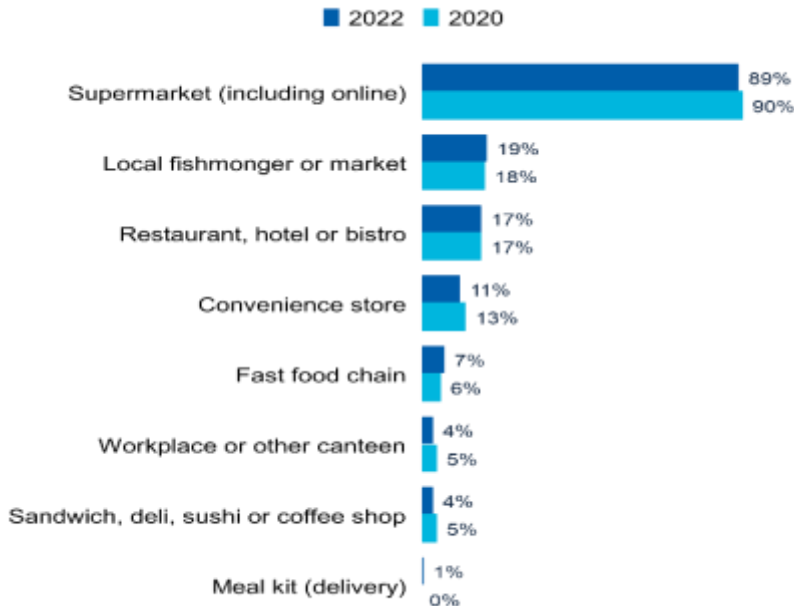


Love of Seafood

Fish/Seafood Purchase, by Outlet and Supermarket

Seafood purchases, multiselect

Fish/seafood purchase, by type of outlet



Online grocery shopping



11%

shop for their groceries more online than they did two years ago



16%

shop for their groceries more in store than they did two years ago

Q2.3: Where do you/your family usually buy fish and seafood products from?

Base for Q2.3: Seafood consumers, Switzerland

Q2.4: Which supermarket do you/your family usually buy fish and seafood products from?

Base for Q2.4: Consumers purchasing fish in supermarkets, Switzerland

Q103: How, if at all, has your grocery shopping changed in the last two years?

Base for Q103: Seafood consumers, Switzerland

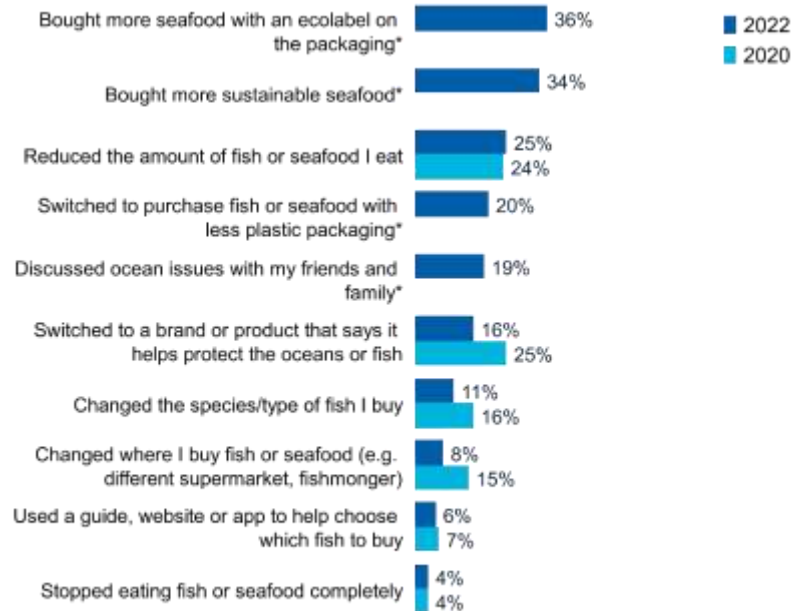


Consumer Action and Diet

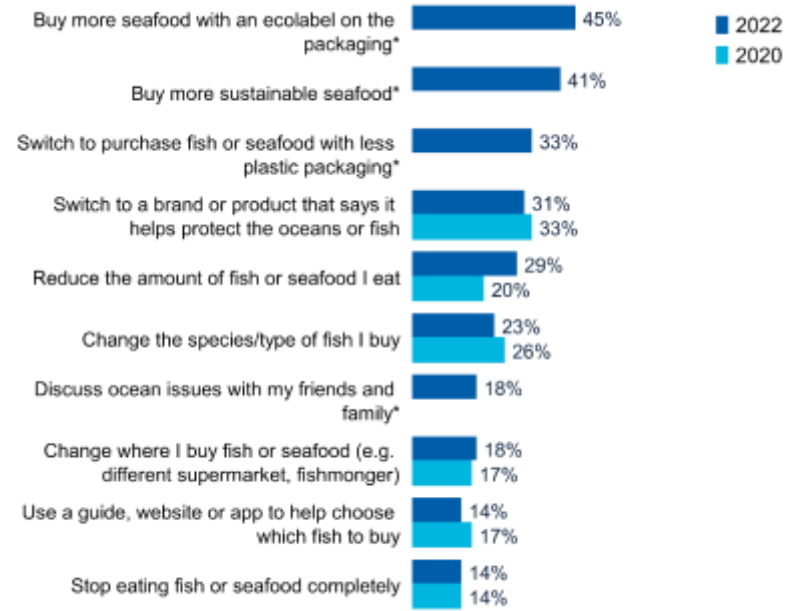
Current and Future Consumer Actions to Protect Seafood

Actions consumers have taken and would be willing to take to protect the fish and seafood in our oceans, multiselect

Action taken



Willingness to take action



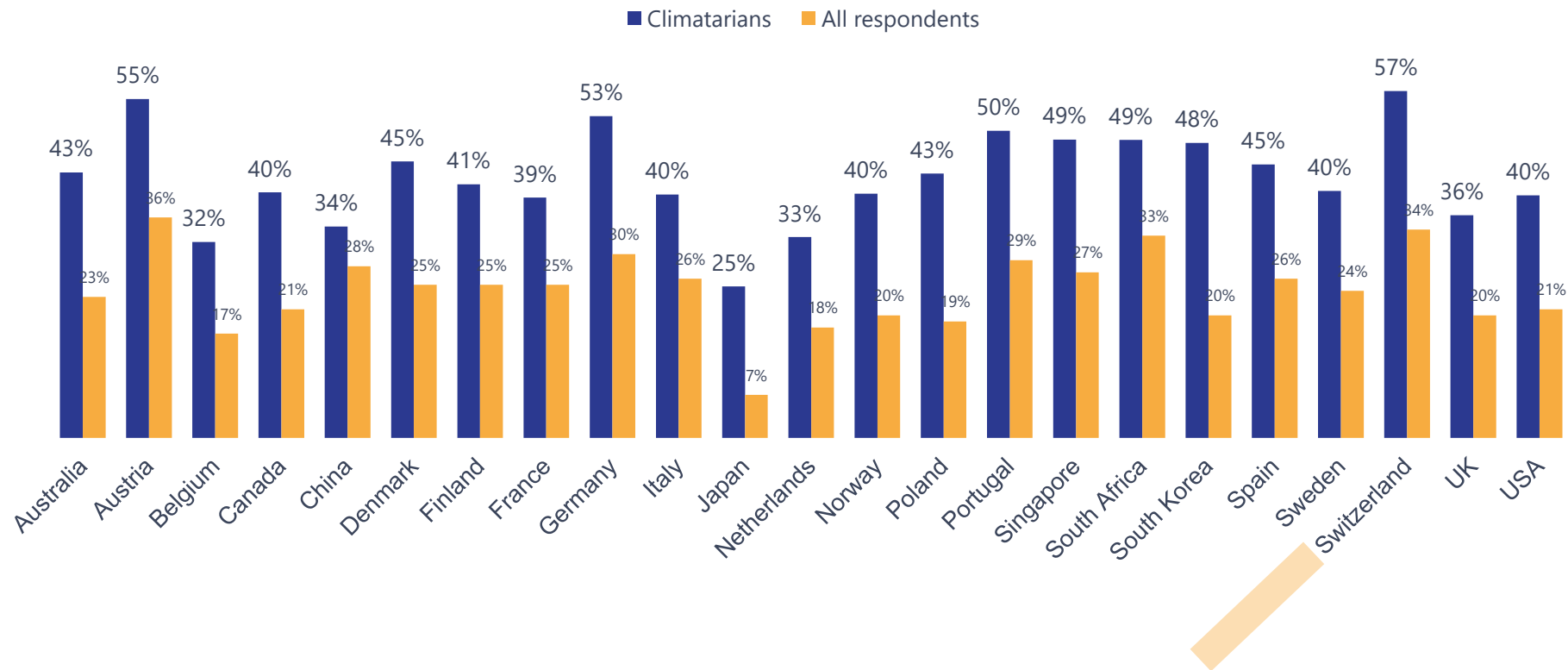
Base: Seafood consumers, Switzerland

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Q11.4a: Which, if any, if the following actions have you taken in the last year to help protect the fish and seafood in our oceans?

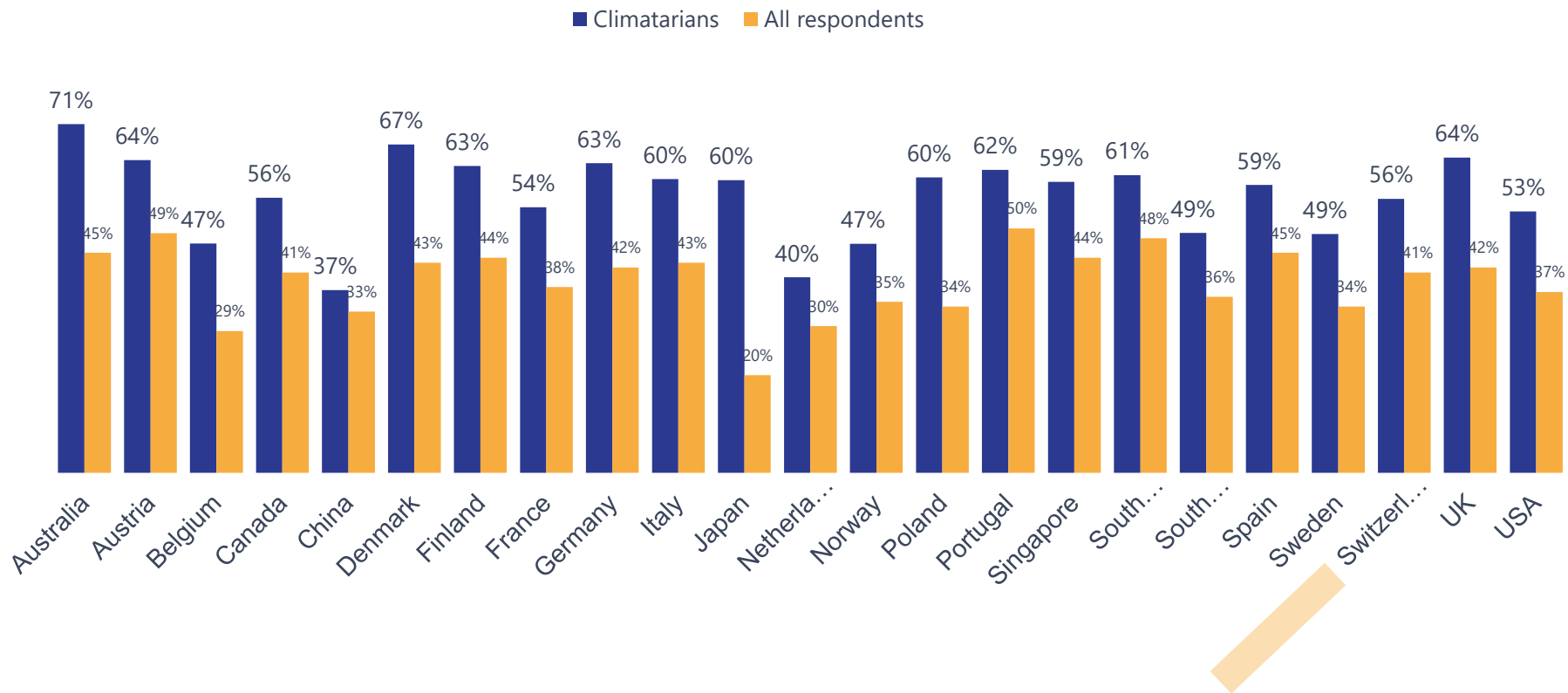
Q11.4b: And which other actions would you also be willing to take in the future to protect the fish and seafood in our oceans?





Base: Climatarians, global, n=3,274. All respondents, global, n= 20,127

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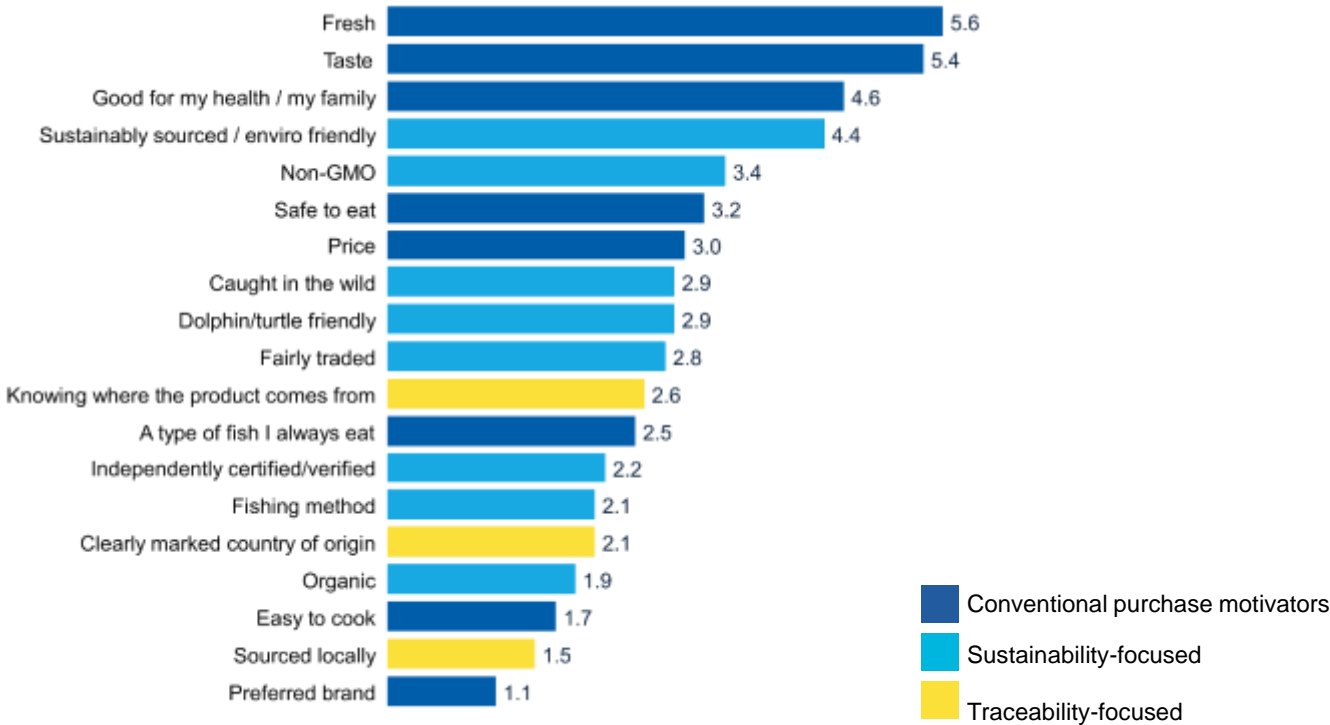


Motivators of Purchase and Ecolabels

Motivators when Purchasing Fish and Seafood



Relative importance scores



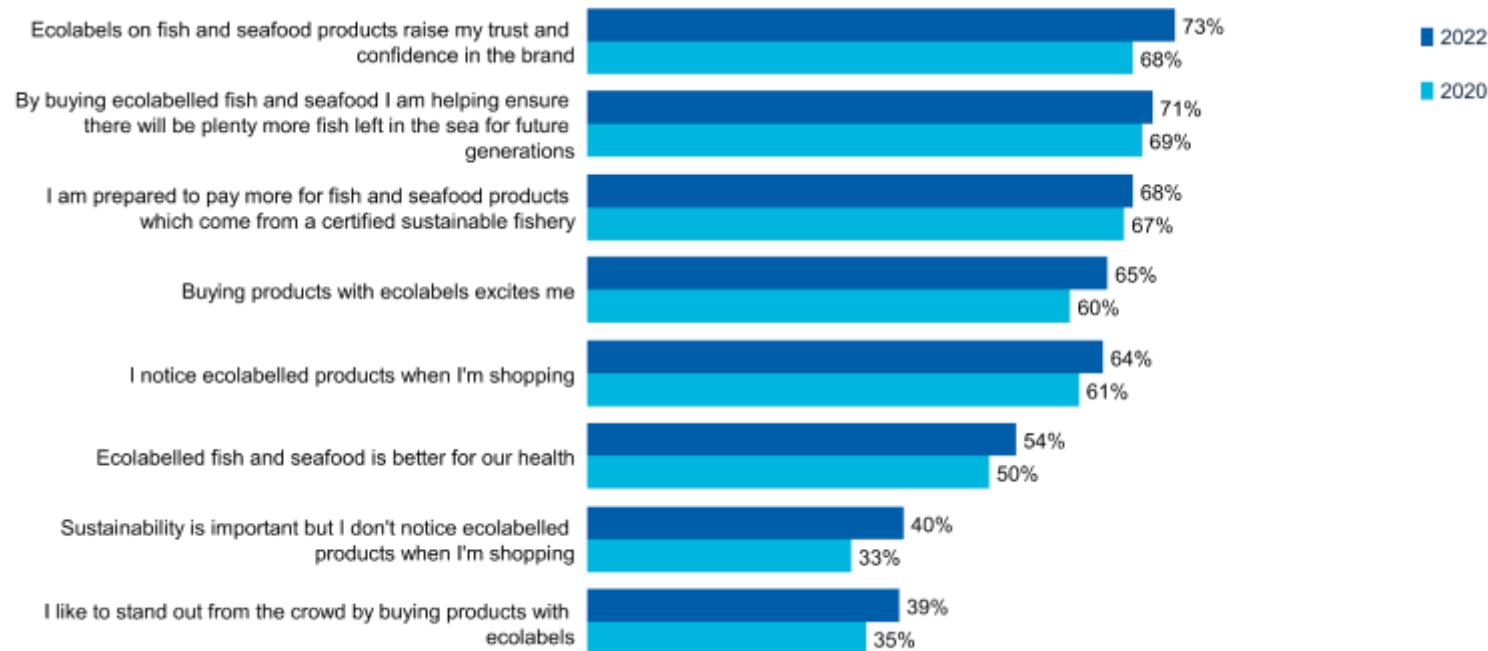
Base: Seafood consumers, Switzerland

Q4.2: Thinking about your recent purchase of "[type of seafood]," which of the following five considerations was the most important and which was the least important?

Attitudes toward Ecolabels



Describes opinion well, top three (5+6+7 on 7-pt scale)



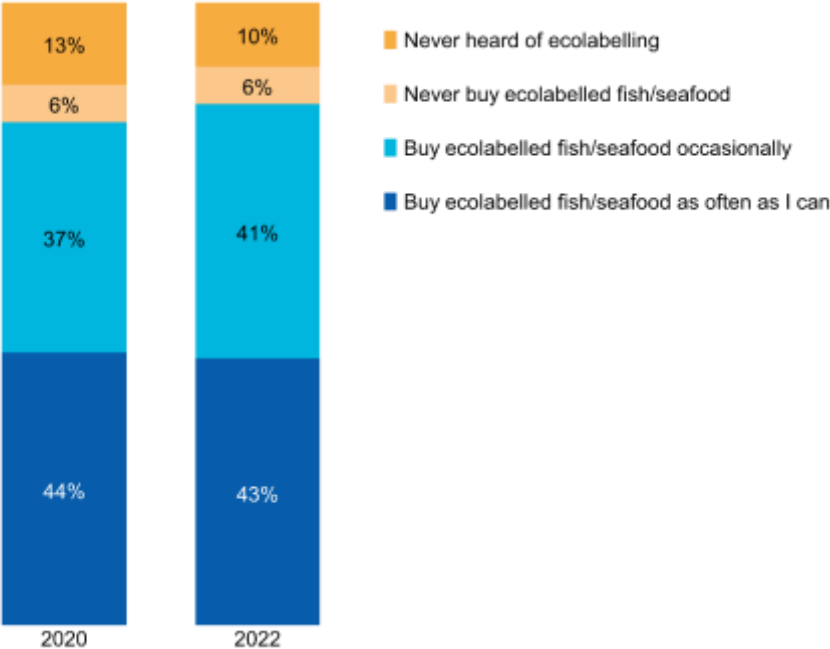
Base: Seafood consumers, Switzerland

Q8: How well does each of the following statements describe your opinions about ecolabels? 7-pt scale: 1 = "Does not describe my opinion very well," 7 = "Describes my opinion very well"

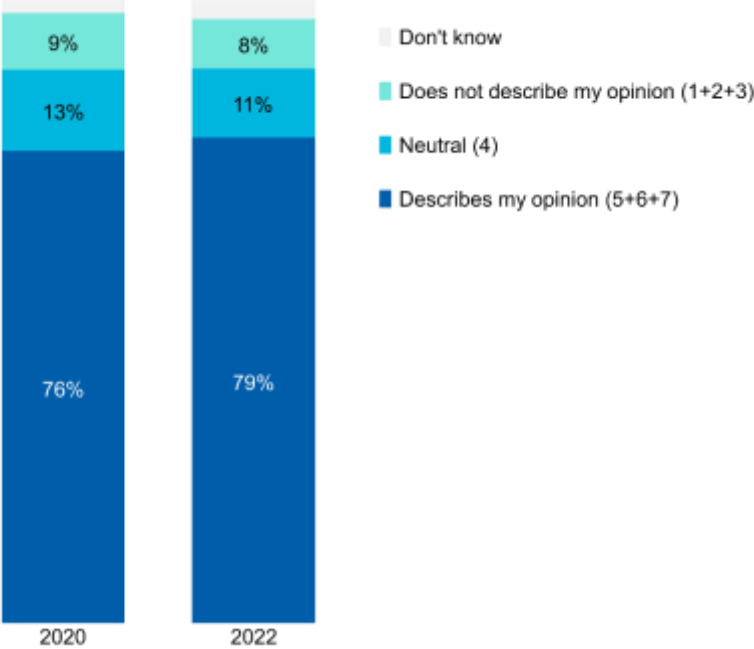


Demand for Labelling & Recalled Purchase of Ecolabelled Fish

Frequency of purchase of ecolabelled fish



“Supermarkets' and brands' claims about sustainability and the environment need to be clearly labelled by an independent organisation”



Base: Seafood consumers, Switzerland
Q7.1 How often do you buy ecolabelled fish and seafood products?
Q5.7 How well does each of the following statements describe your opinions? 7-pt scale, 1= "Does not describe my opinion very well," 7= "Describes my opinion very well"

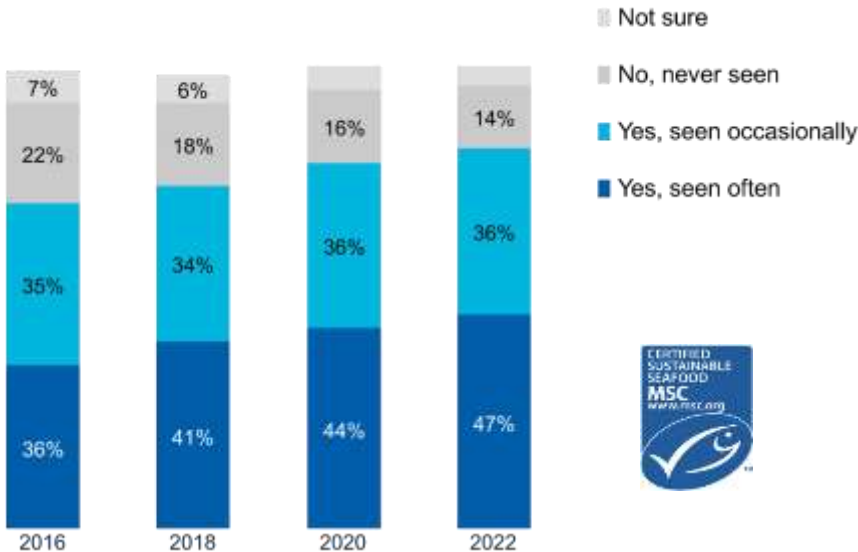


MSC Awareness, Trust, and Understanding

Awareness of the MSC Label by Consumer Type

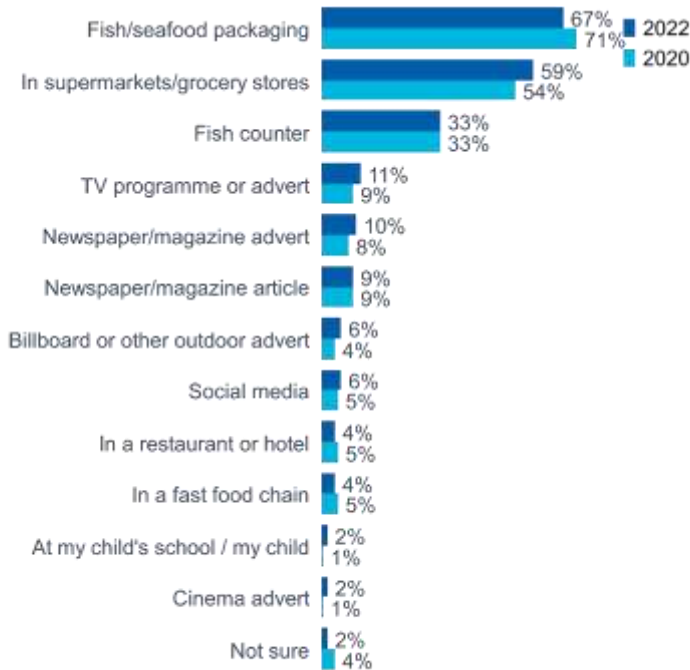


Frequency of seeing the MSC label



Base: General public, Switzerland
Q1.1: Have you ever seen the following logos?

Locations where consumers recall seeing the MSC label

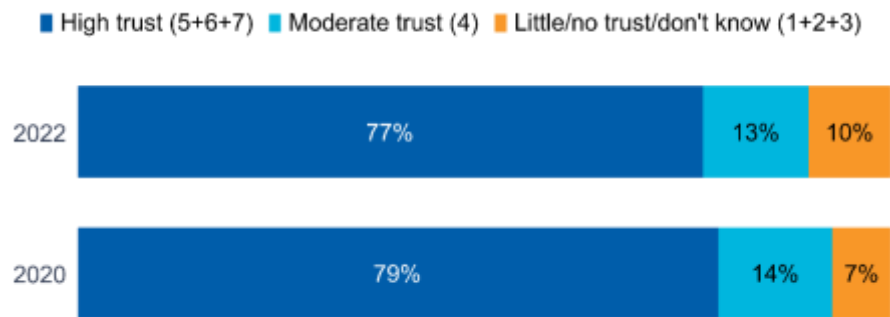


Base: MSC aware, Switzerland
Q9.4: Earlier, you mentioned that you remember seeing this label. Where have you seen it?

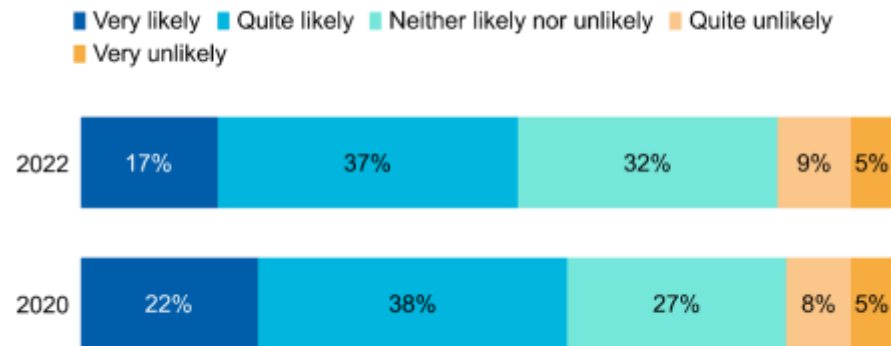


Trust in the MSC Label and Recommendation of MSC

Trust in the MSC label among MSC-aware consumers, 7-pt scale



Likelihood of recommending MSC-certified products, likelihood scale



Base: MSC aware, Switzerland

Q9.2: How much trust do you have in the claims of the following organisations? 7-pt scale: 1 = "No trust," 7 = "A lot of trust"

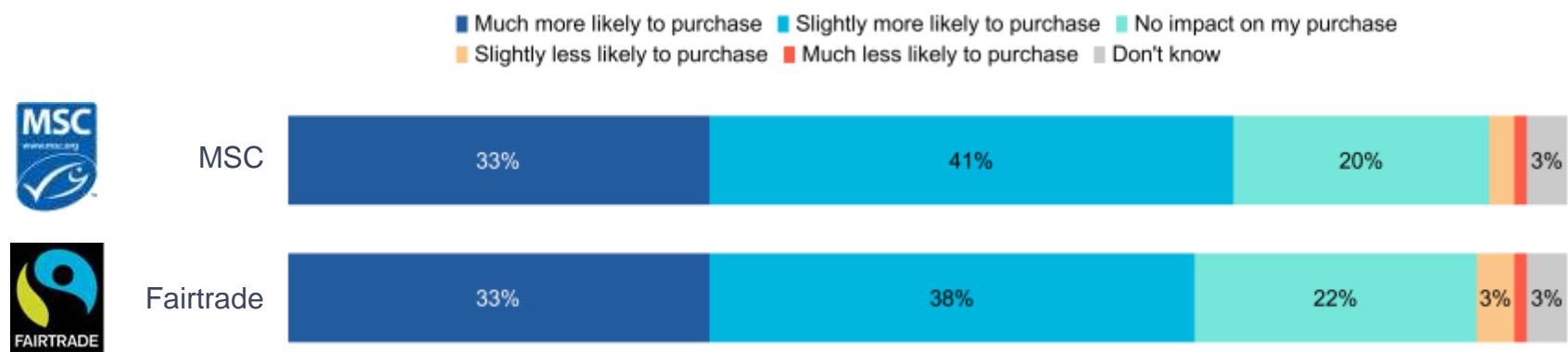
Q12.2: How likely are you to recommend MSC-certified products to the people you know?



Impact of Label on Likelihood to Purchase

Share
carefully

Impact labels have on likelihood to purchase, 5 pt scale



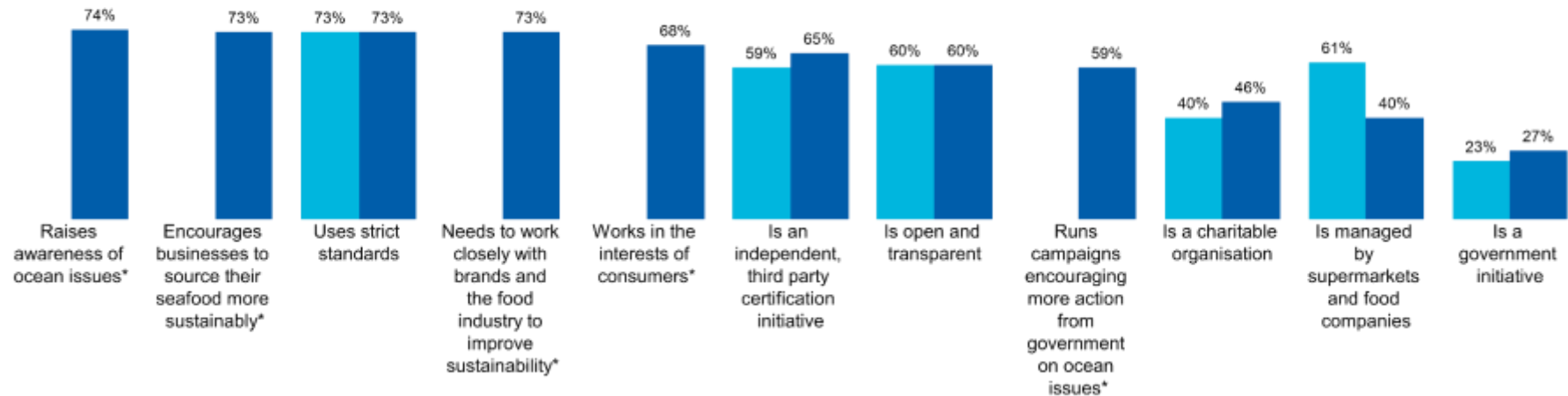
Base: Seafood consumers, Switzerland
Q104 What impact would the following labels have on your likelihood to purchase a product?

Perceptions of the Role of MSC



Describes MSC well, top three (5+6+7 on 7-pt scale)

■ 2020 ■ 2022



Base: MSC aware, Switzerland

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Q11.1: How well do you think the following statements describe the Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) and the ecolabel?

7-pt scale: 1 = "Does not describe MSC at all," 7 = "Describes MSC completely"





The MSC Blues

Who we are talking to:

The MSC Blues

People who consume seafood, and have enough basic knowledge (of the oceans, fishing, and the origins of food) to digest the MSC's value proposition.*

When shopping, they “aspire” to a better, healthier life and balancing “right thing to do” with their other purchase considerations (i.e., they will only buy products which do not compromise on price, quality or brand). They share “values” and are represented across every age, culture, geography, and income.

*Wild. Certified. Sustainable.



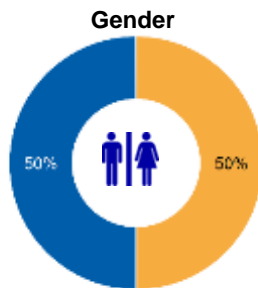
Introducing the MSC Blues: Switzerland

36%

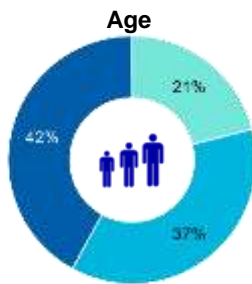
of seafood consumers in Switzerland are MSC Blues

The MSC Blues are seafood consumers who care about the planet alongside a love of shopping. When purchasing seafood, they value sustainability highly. The MSC Blues are more likely to notice ecolabels on products than their peers and prefer buying certified products.

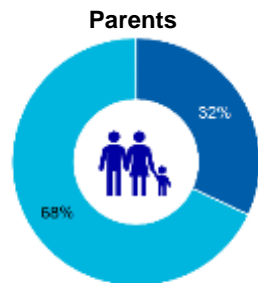
Demographics



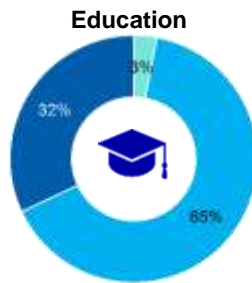
Male Female



18-34 35-54 55+



Parents Non-Parents



Low Medium High

Hobbies, top five



Preferred channels (at least weekly use)



Introducing the MSC Blues: Switzerland (continued)

MSC KPIs

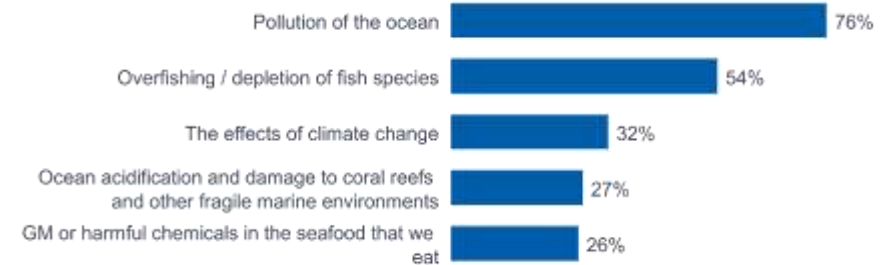
MSC awareness



MSC trust



Most concerning ocean issues, top five

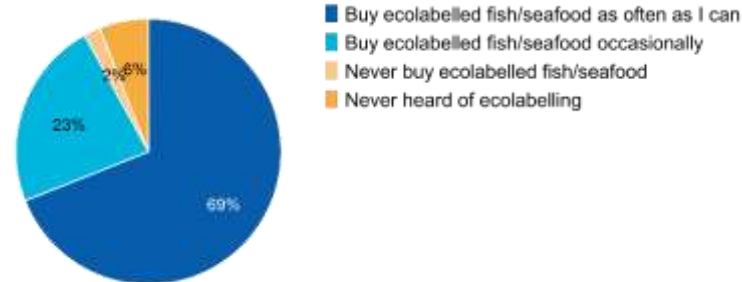


Labelling and purchasing

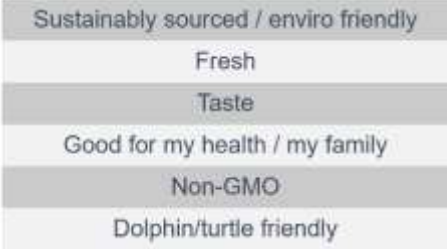
Independent labelling

94% think supermarkets' and brands' claims about sustainability should be clearly labelled by an independent organisation
("Describes my opinion well" – 5+6+7 on a 7-pt scale)

Ecolabelled purchases



Motivators of seafood purchase, top six





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