

Vattenfall Energy Savings Barometer Q1/2023

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Methodology

The Vattenfall Energy Savings Barometer tracks changes in energy consumption patterns, attitudes and investments among consumers in 5 European countries

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-  **Background** Quarterly survey to gain insights into consumer behaviour and attitudes in the area of energy consumption among European consumers and how these develop over time.
 -  **Methodology**
 - Quantitative survey via online-access-panel
 - Length of interview: 5 minutes
 -  **Sample**
 - Regions: Sweden, Finland, Germany, France and the Netherlands
 - Population 18+
 - Quoted based on national representative spread regarding gender, age & region
 - n=1,000 per country and wave
 -  **Field time** January 13th - January 23rd 2023

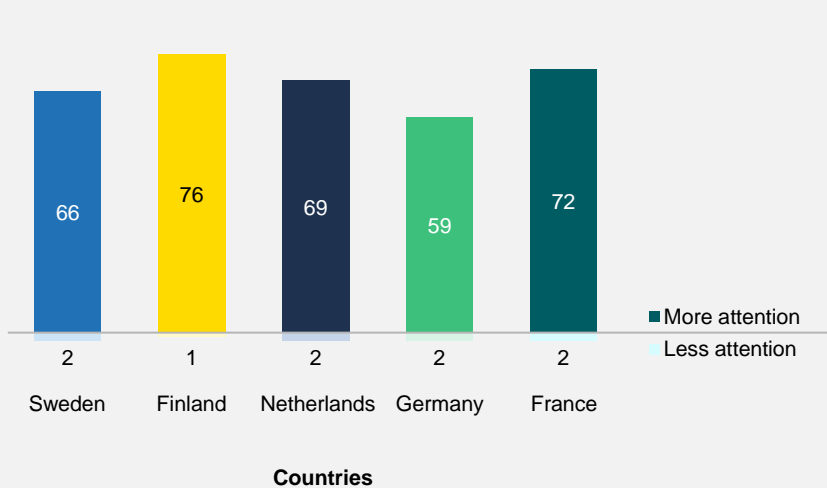
Country comparison



The energy crisis raised consumer's attention to energy savings and emphasized the high relevance of conscious energy use in everyday life

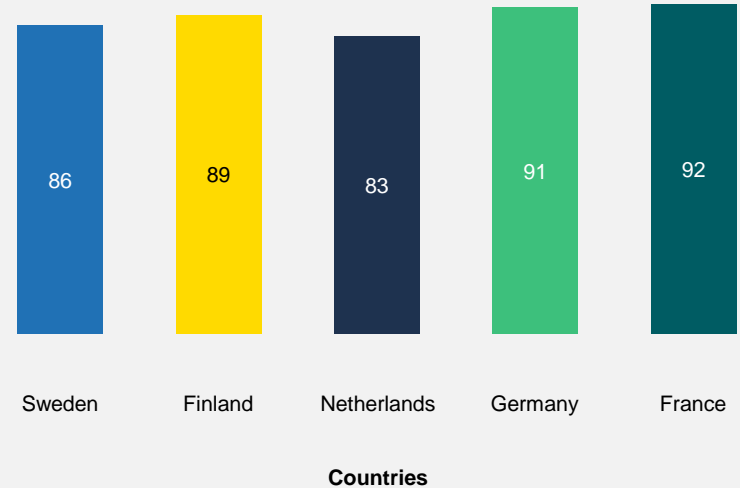
Attention to energy saving since last season

All respondents, in %



Relevance of lower energy consumption

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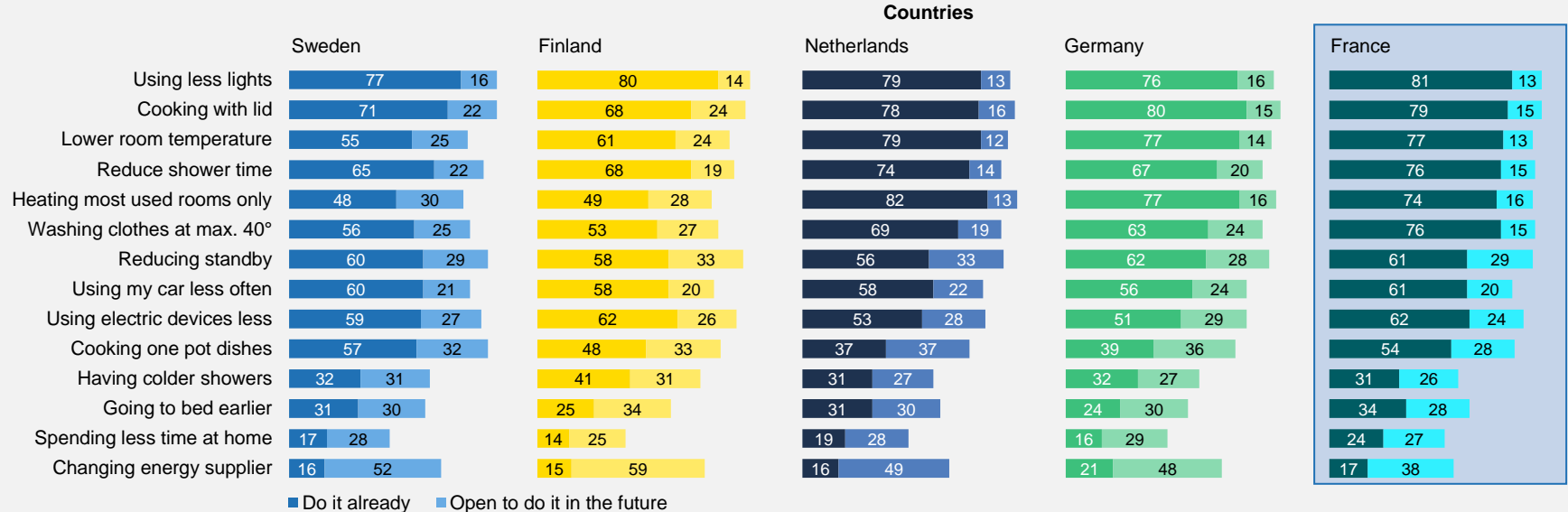
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Consumers uptake several energy saving measures; the French use energy more sustainably, while the Nordics are less flexible due to cold winters

Measures to reduce energy consumption

All respondents, in %



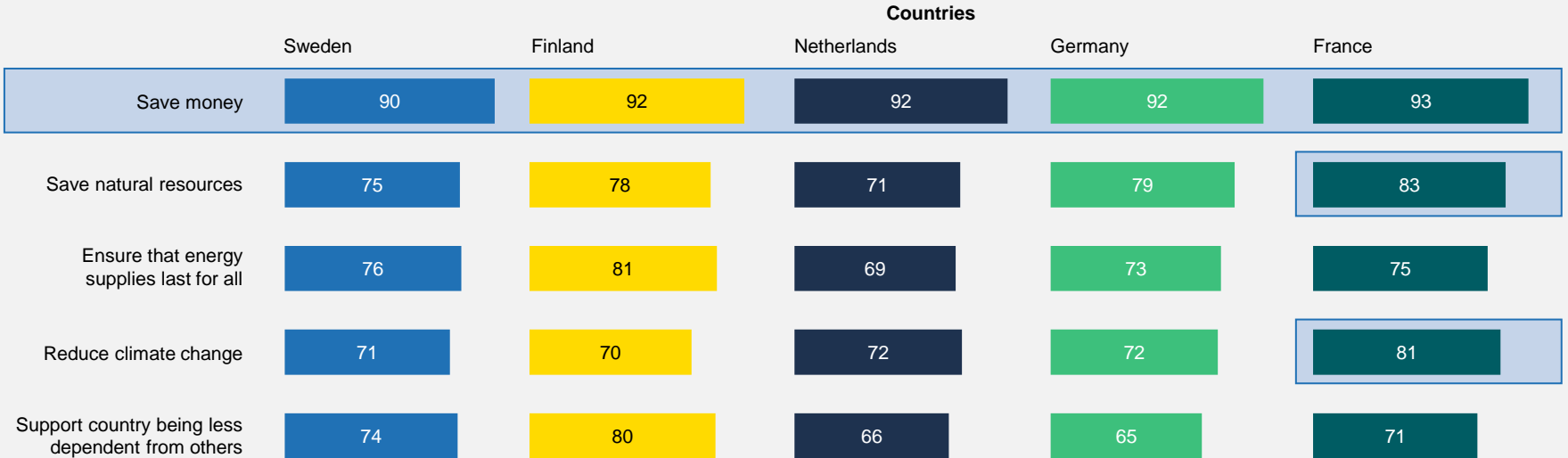
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Main drivers for saving energy is not the conviction to save the planet but financial ones; France is more eco-focused in country comparison

Motivators to reduce energy consumption

All respondents, in % (scale 1="Does not motivate me at all" to 4="Motivates me strongly", top 2 values shown)



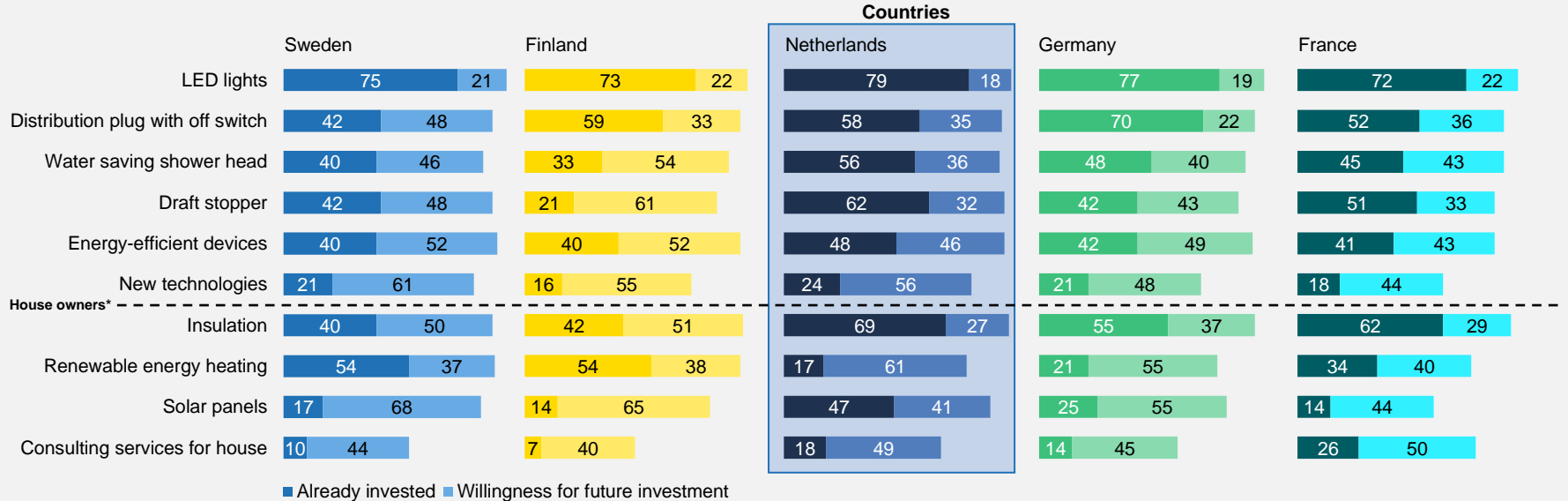
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Dutch households are more often equipped with energy-efficient technology especially in terms of easily implementable features

Investments to reduce energy consumption

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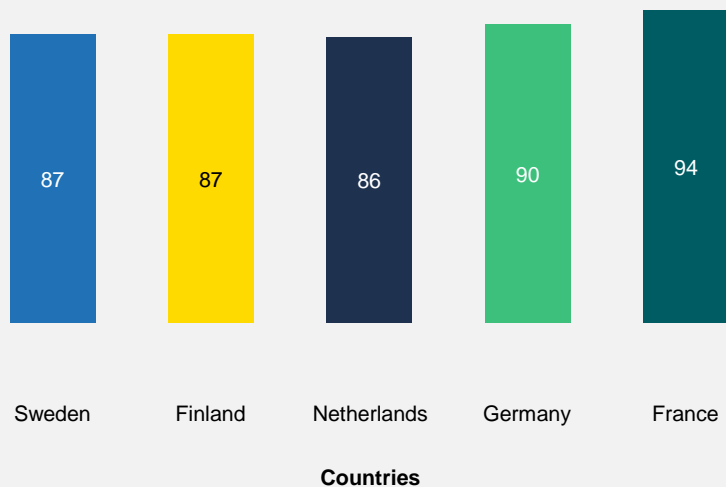
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Concern about energy prices is high in all countries; French fear that the situation will continue to worsen while Dutch and Finns are more optimistic

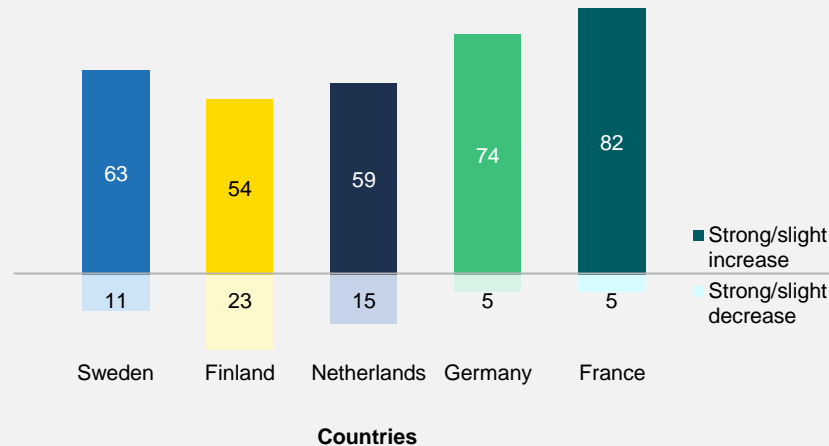
Concern regarding energy prices

All respondents, in % (scale 1="Not concerned at all" to 4="Very concerned", top 2 values shown)



Expected energy price trends

All respondents, in %



Question: F10 How concerned are you regarding the current energy prices?; Base: SWE / FIN / NLD / GER / FRA W1 Total n=1,000; Source: Statista 2023

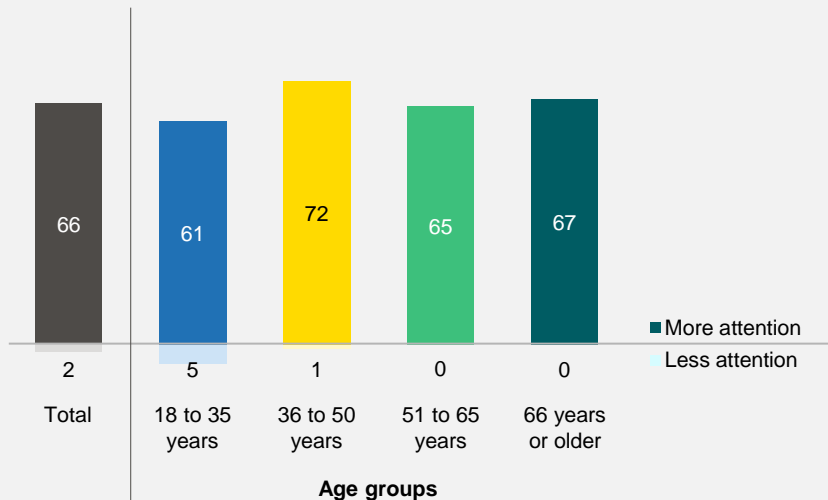
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Sweden

Two thirds of Swedes increased their attention to everyday energy saving compared to last season; The topic has high relevance overall

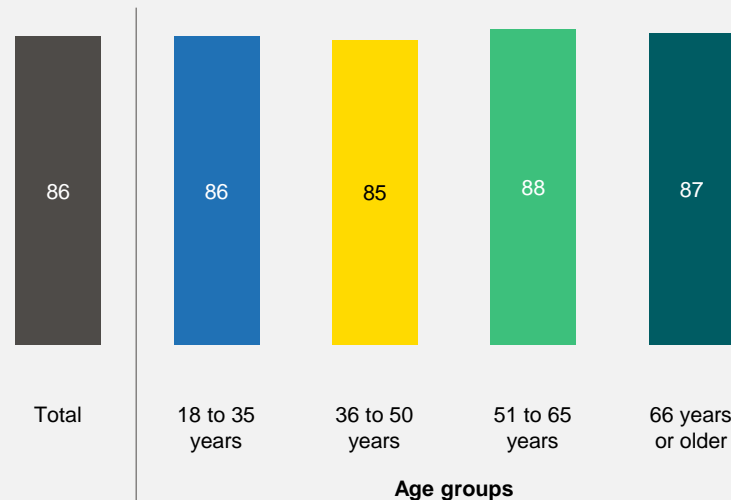
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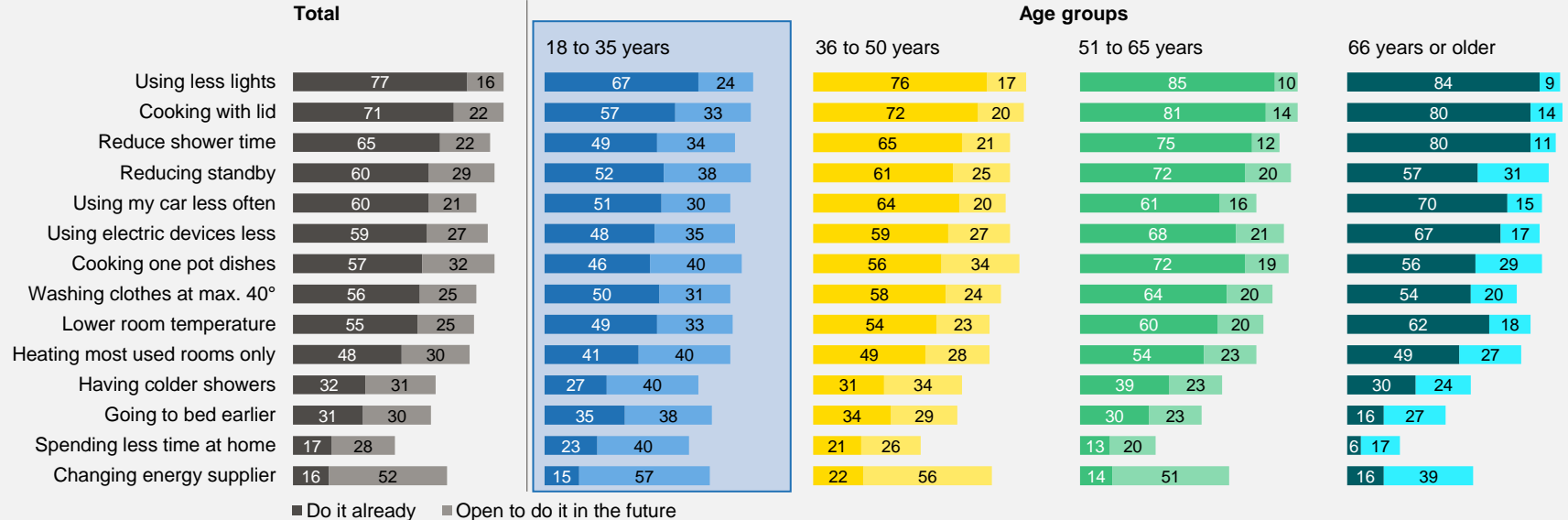
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People older than 50 years save energy routinely – The youngest age group lags behind, but they have a high willingness for future efforts

Measures to reduce energy consumption

All respondents, in %

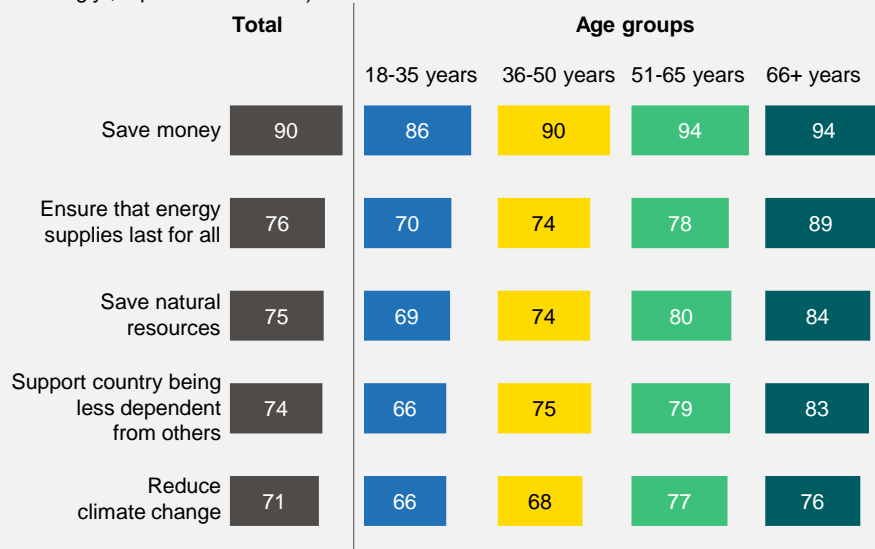


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Swedes are motivated to lower their energy consumption by saving money; Highest savings are expected by the youngest age group

Motivators to reduce energy consumption

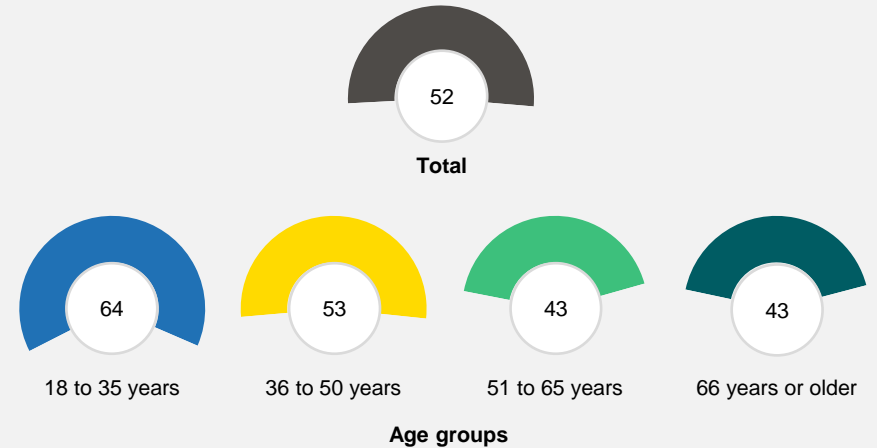
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Expected savings from measures

Respondents who reduce energy consumption, in % (scale 1="Very little" to 4="Very much", top 2 values shown)



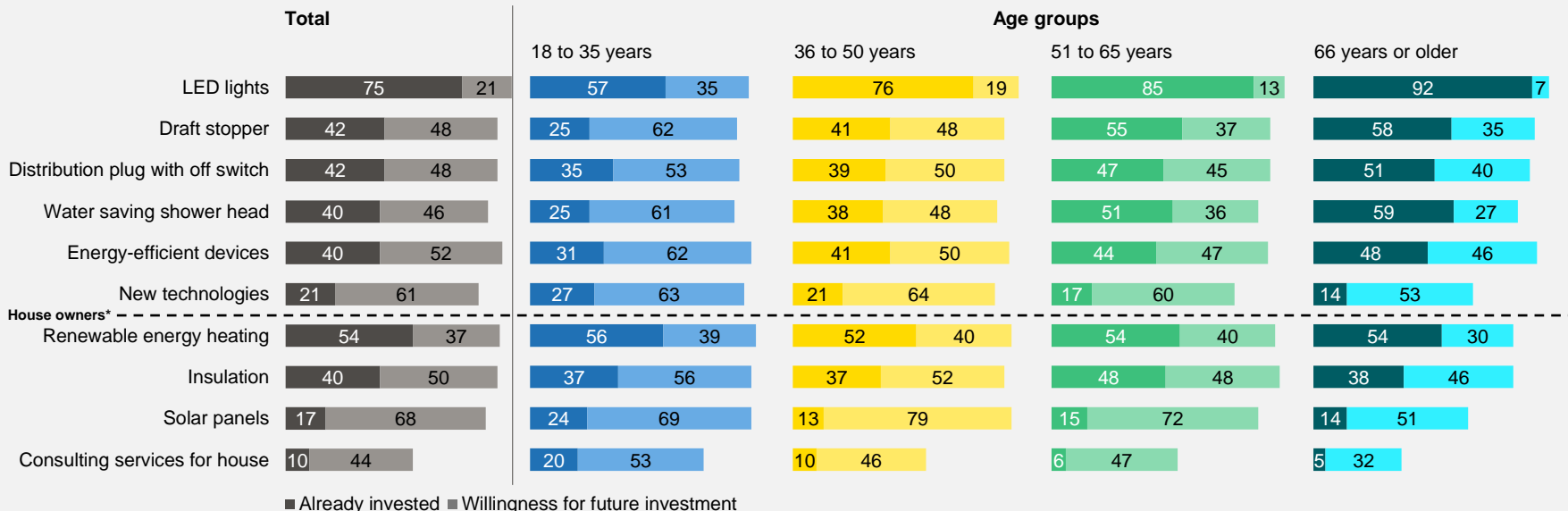
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While people above 50 years have most often invested in energy efficient features, the youngest age group has the highest potential

Investments to reduce energy consumption

All respondents, in %

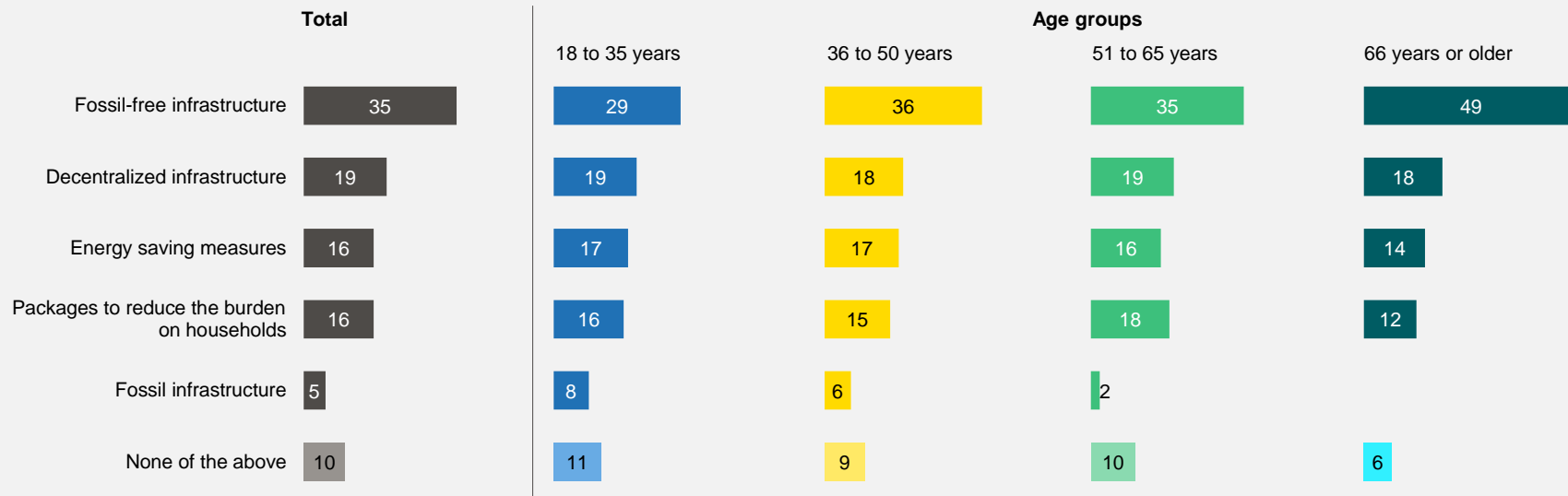


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Consumers want the government primarily to invest in fossil-free infrastructure to ease the energy crisis; Fossil energy sources rank last

Preferred investment to reduce energy prices

All respondents, in %



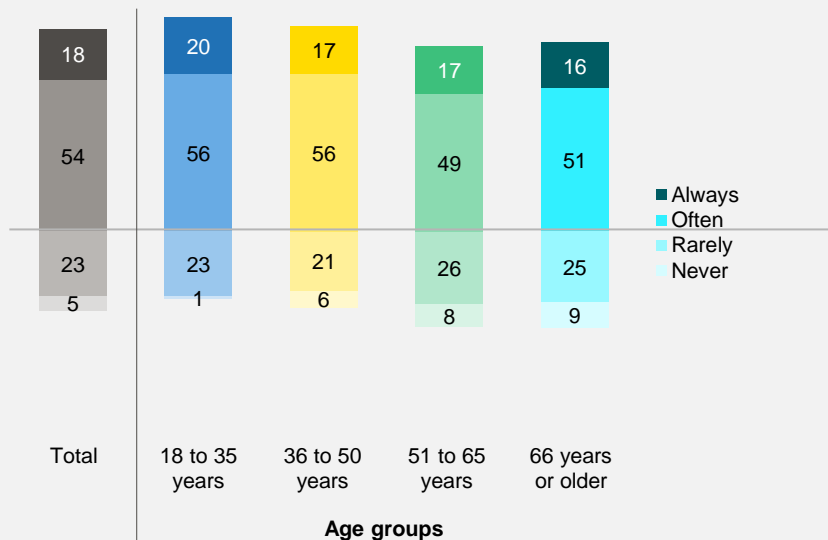
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Country specifics

The youngest age group is most likely to adapt behaviour to energy price variability; One third is favouring fossil-free energy irrespective of the crisis

Adjustment of behaviours to reduce energy costs

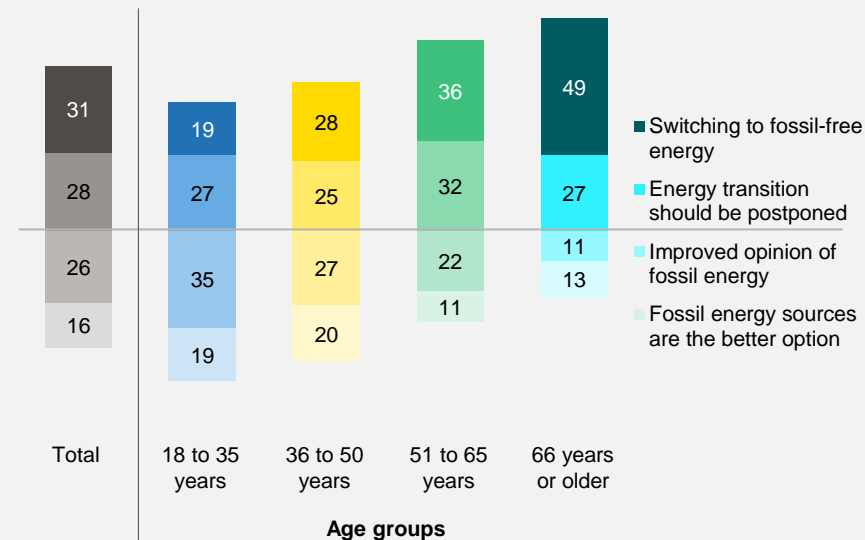
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Attitude towards fossil-free energy

All respondents, in %



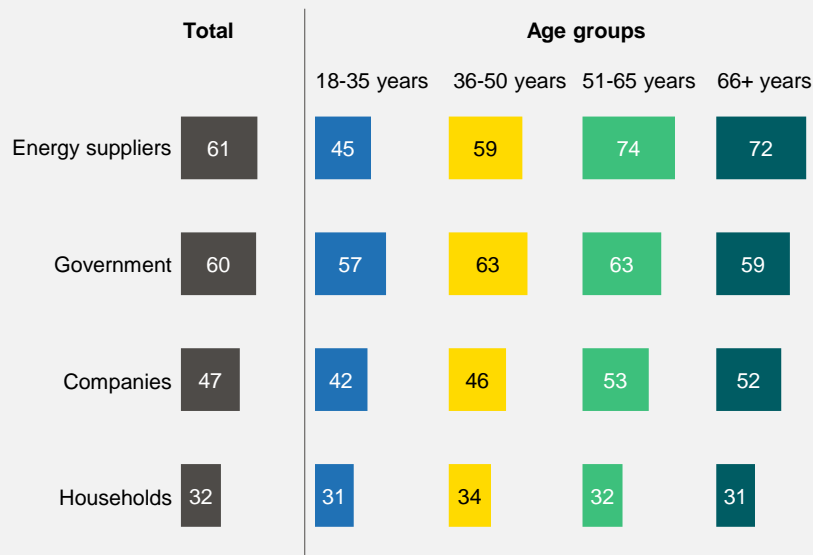
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Country specifics

Both energy suppliers and government are seen responsible to invest in fossil-free energy; The support for wind parks is high

Responsibility for investments in fossil-free energy

All respondents, in %



Question: F24 In your opinion: Who should invest more in fossil-free energy in the future?; **Base:** SWE W1 Total n=1,000, 18-35 years n=324, 36-50 years n=261, 51-65 years n=257, 66+ years n=158; Multiple answers possible; Response option "None of the above" not displayed; **Source:** Statista 2023

Attitudes towards wind parks

All respondents, in % (scale 1="Strongly disagree" to 4="Strongly agree", top 2 values shown)

There should be more wind power parks in Sweden.

69

I accept new wind power parks in my region.

72

I accept new wind power parks near my home.

57

Question: F25 To what extent do you agree with the following statements about wind power parks?; **Base:** SWE W1 Total n=1,000, **Source:** Statista 2023

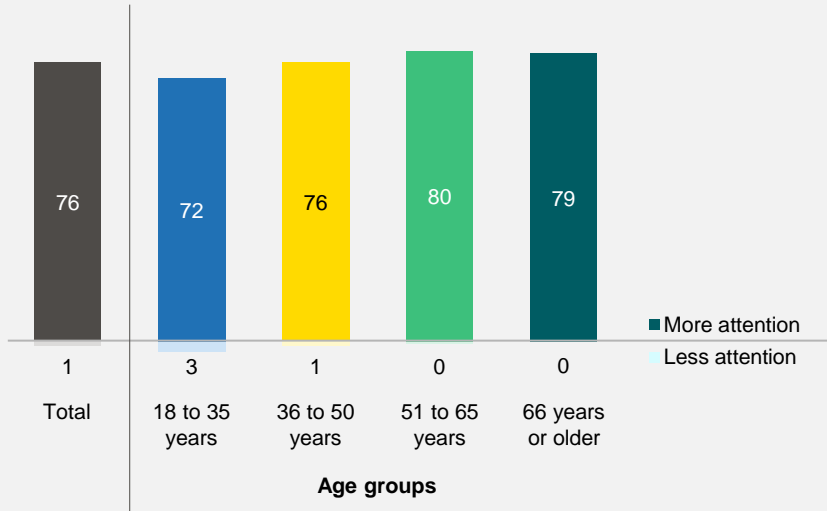
Finland



Saving energy increased importance for 3 out of 4 consumers compared to the previous season; Topic has a high importance irrespective of age

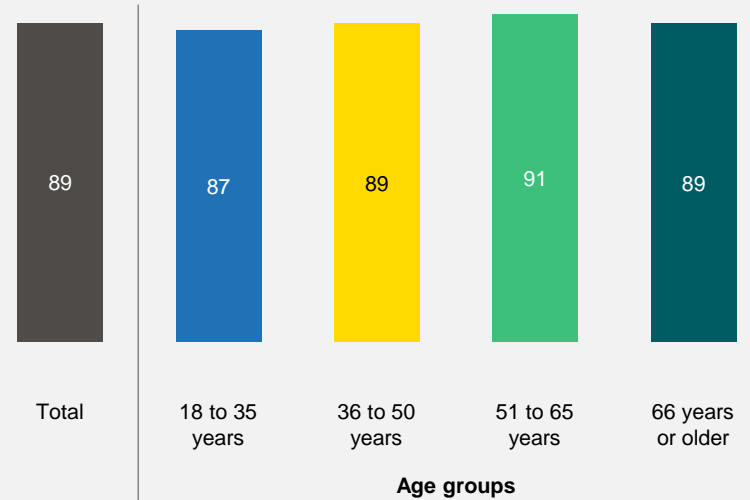
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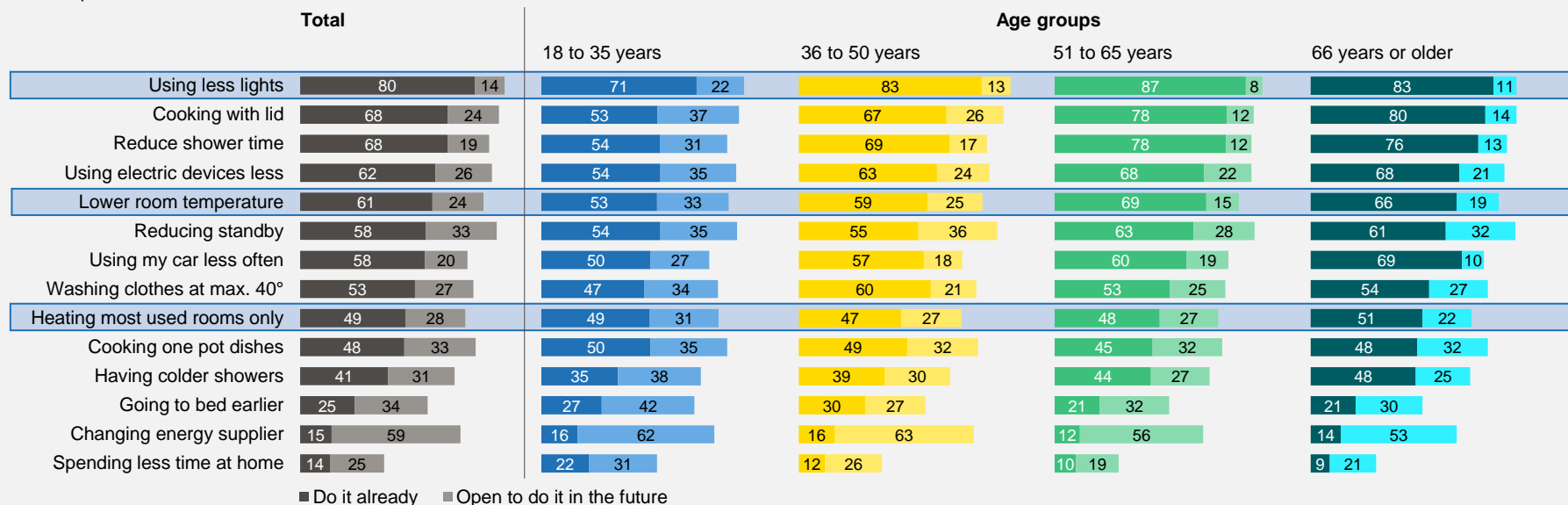
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Limited heating is of low relevance, due to cold temperatures in finish winters – Less lighting is a more feasible action to save energy

Measures to reduce energy consumption

All respondents, in %



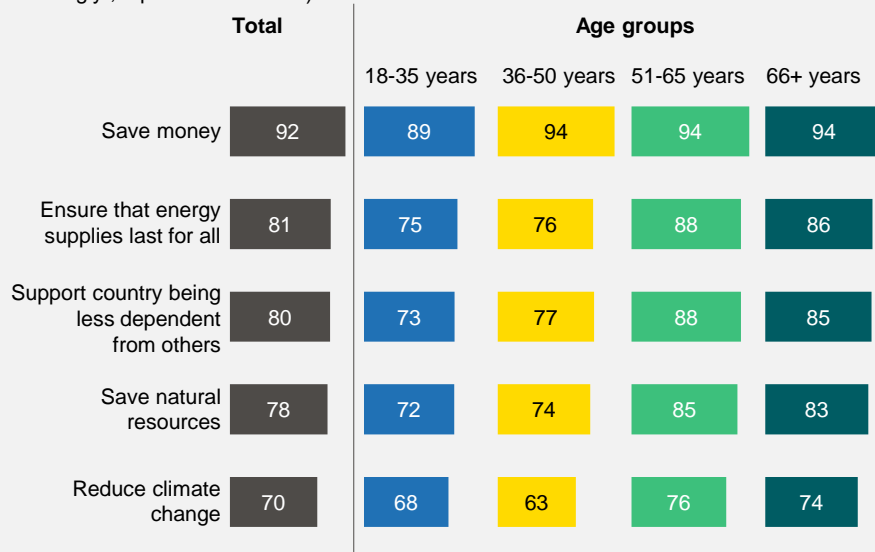
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Saving money is the main motive for energy saving measures; Especially consumers between 18 and 35 years expect great effects

Motivators to reduce energy consumption

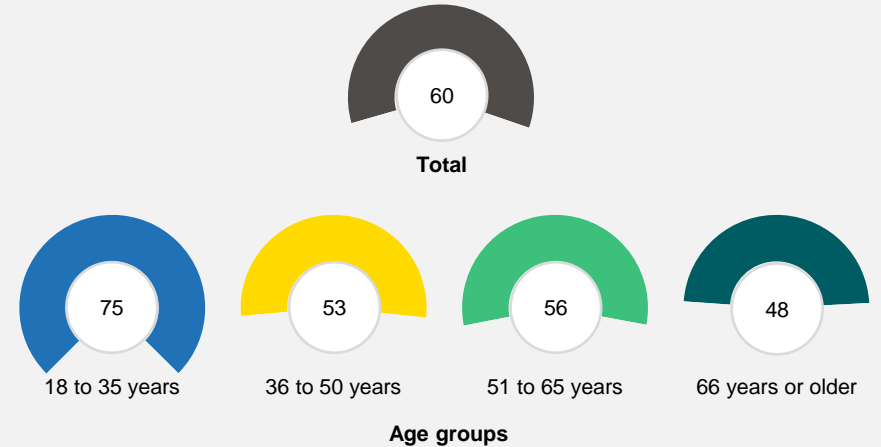
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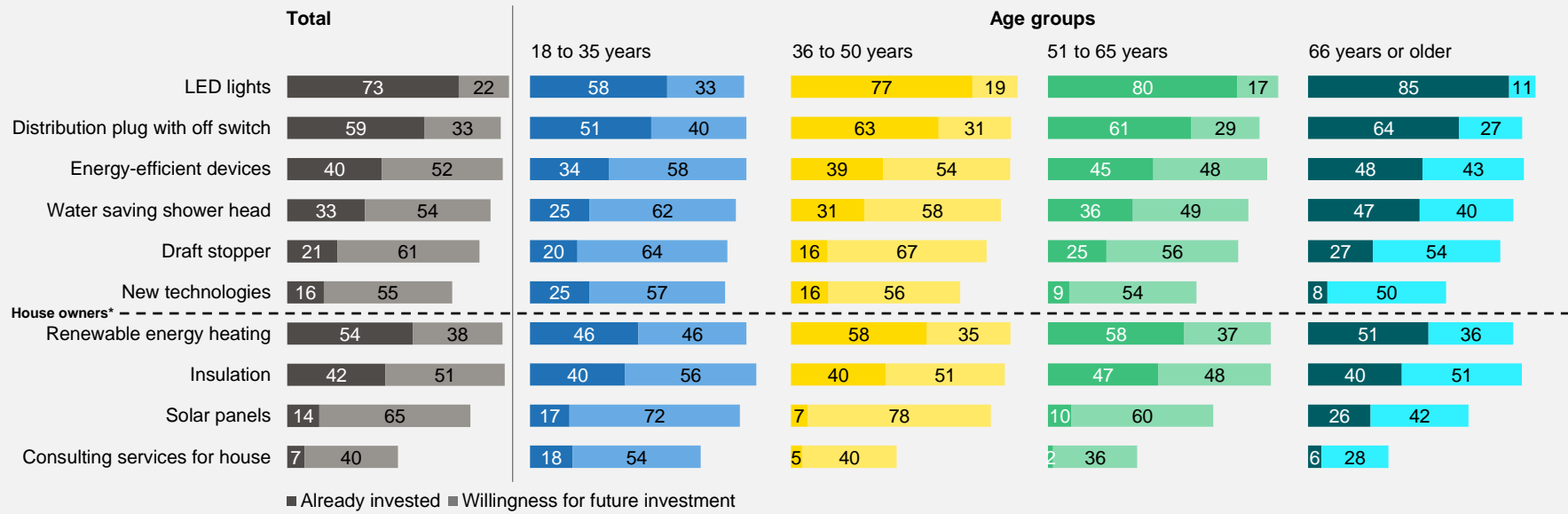
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There is high potential for future investments to save energy; The finish market for solar cells is not saturated – future demand can be expected

Investments to reduce energy consumption

All respondents, in %



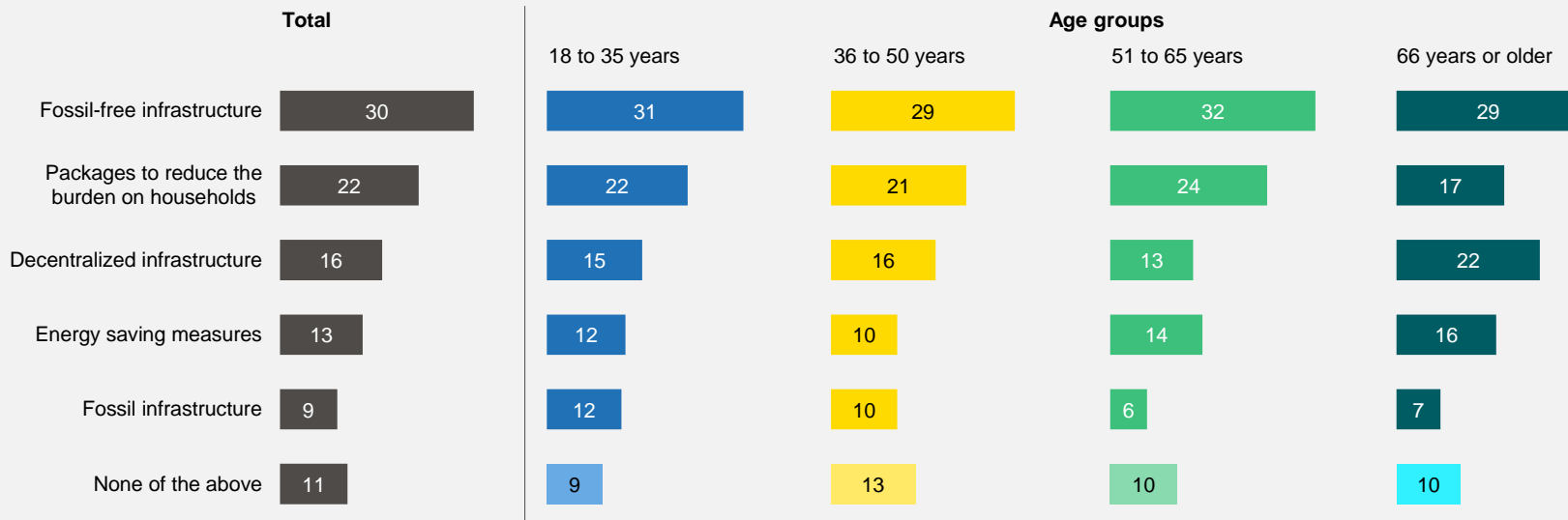
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In the long-term, Finns clearly prefer a fossil-free orientation of their government's energy policy

Preferred investment to reduce energy prices

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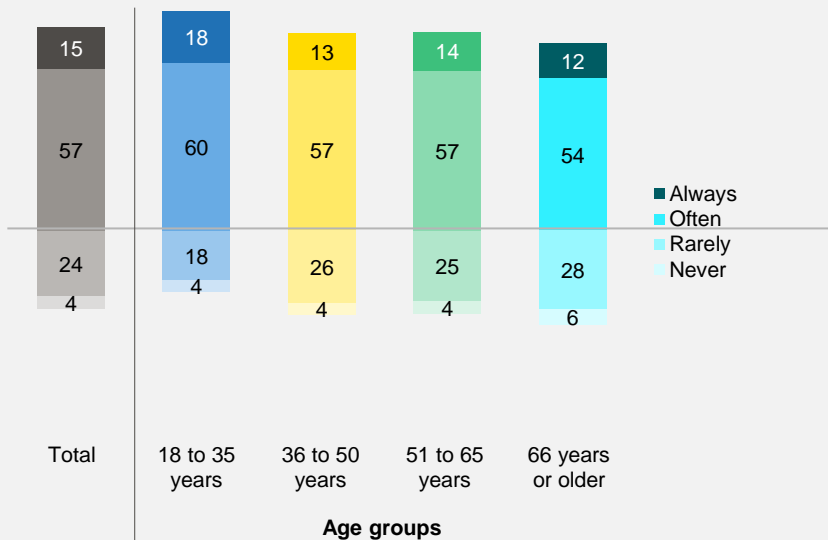
Country specifics



3 out of 4 people are willing to adjust their behaviour to electricity price fluctuations – esp. younger people; Energy prices affect sauna use

Adjustment of behaviours to reduce energy costs

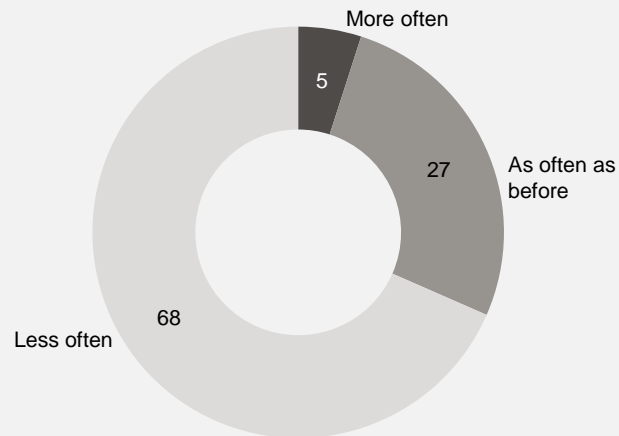
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Change in sauna usage due to higher energy prices

Respondents who have a sauna at home, in %



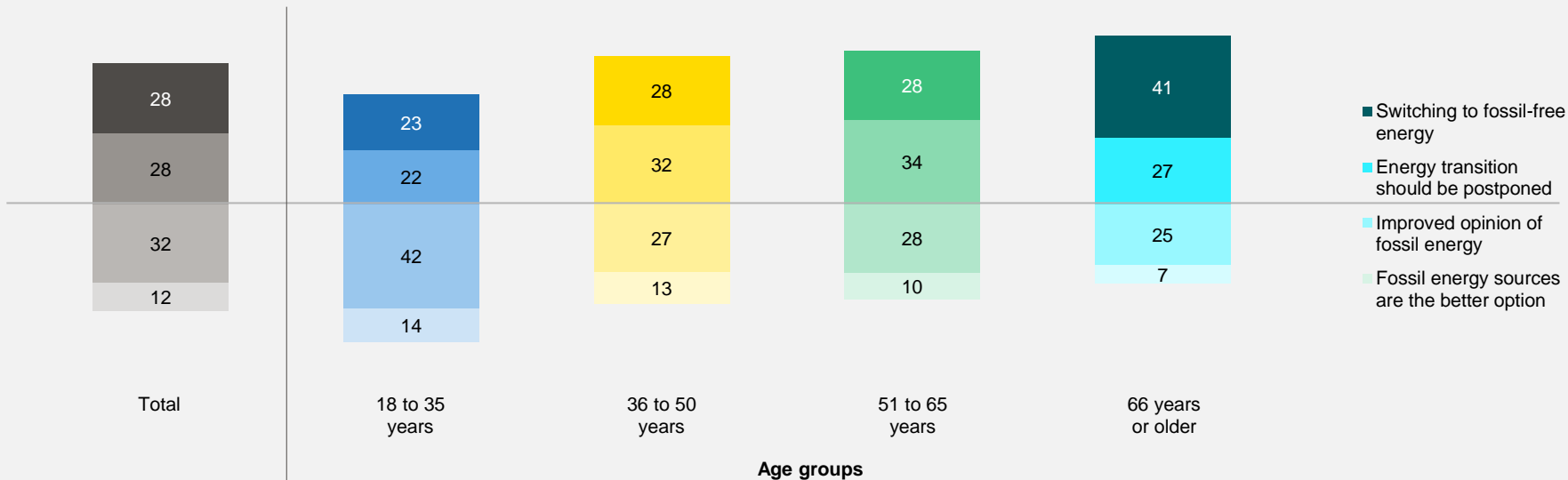
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In the short term, the energy crisis made consumers doubt about the unrestricted transition towards fossil-free energy sources

Attitude towards fossil-free energy

All respondents, in %



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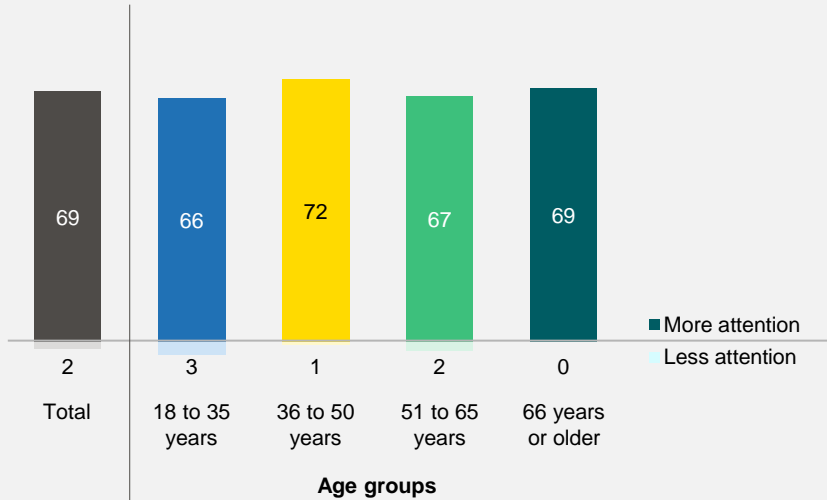
The Netherlands



The energy crisis has pushed Dutch consumers of all age groups to pay more attention to energy saving

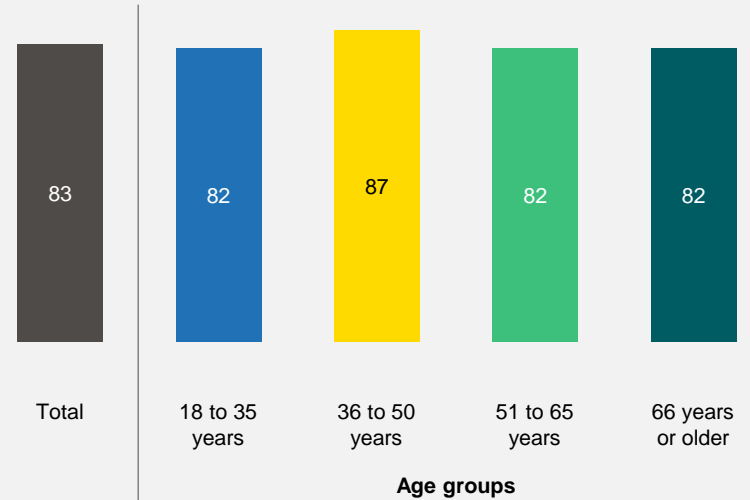
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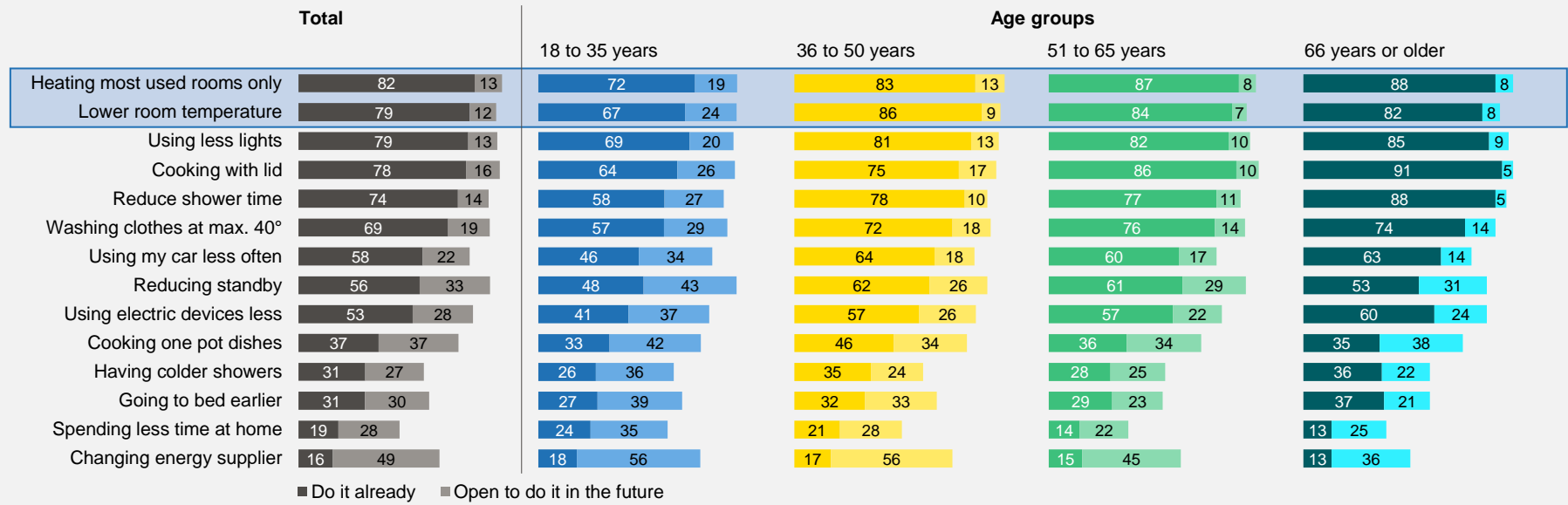
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A relatively mild winter enables Dutch to save on heating – Eight out of ten lower the room temperature and heat in most used rooms only

Measures to reduce energy consumption

All respondents, in %



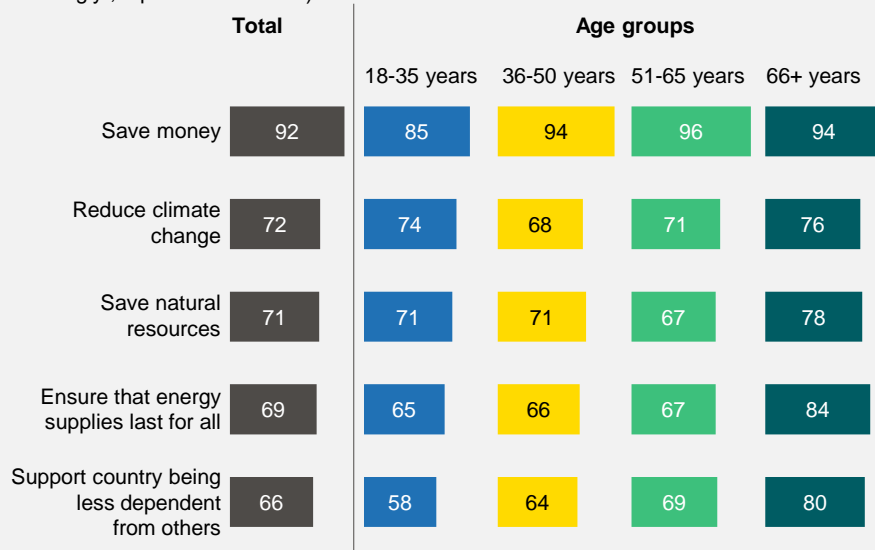
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Economic reasons are the main drivers for energy saving, though ecological aspects also having a decisive role

Motivators to reduce energy consumption

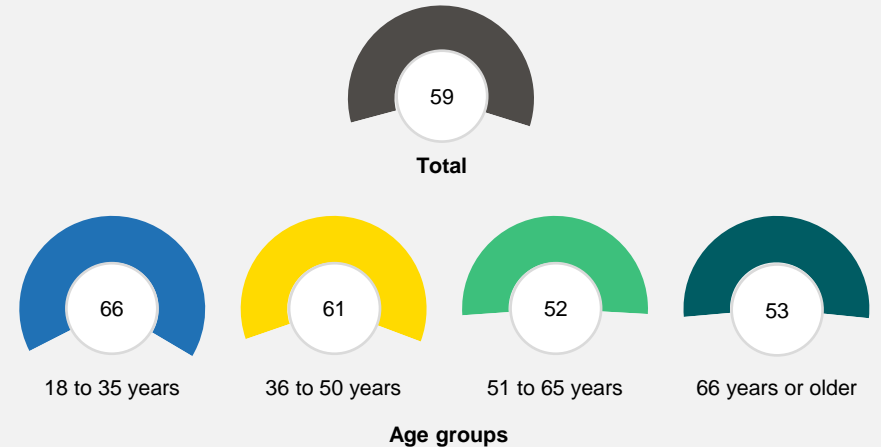
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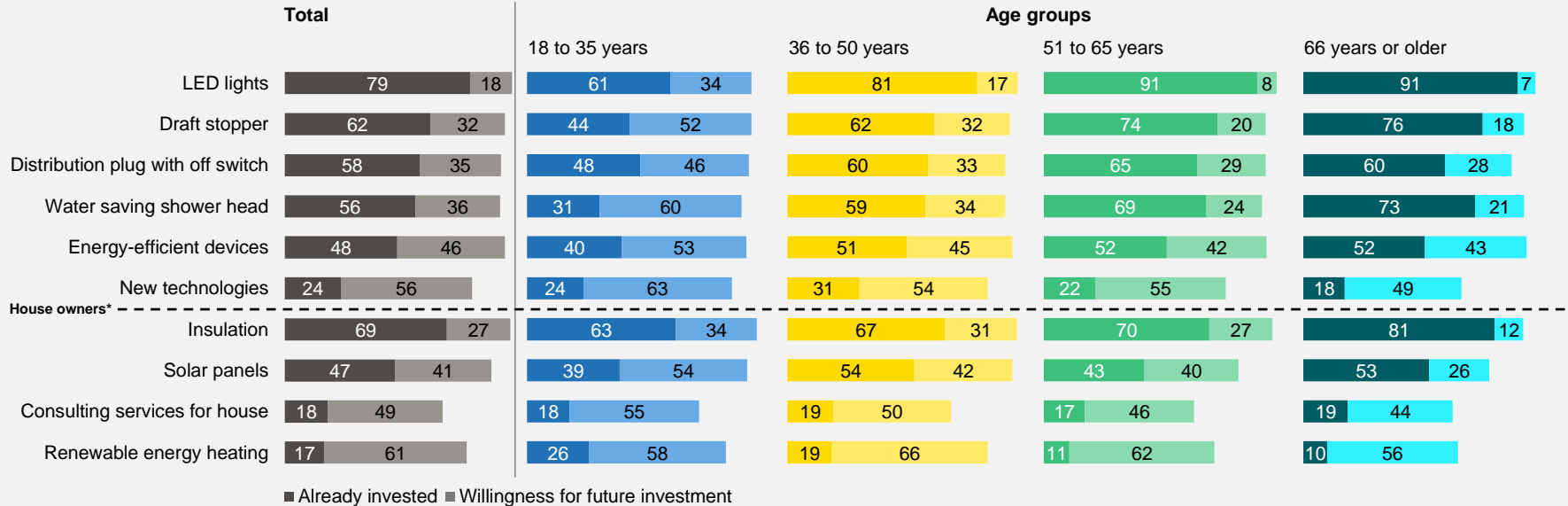
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Dutch population overall relies on numerous innovative technologies to lower energy consumption, yet are motivated for future investments

Investments to reduce energy consumption

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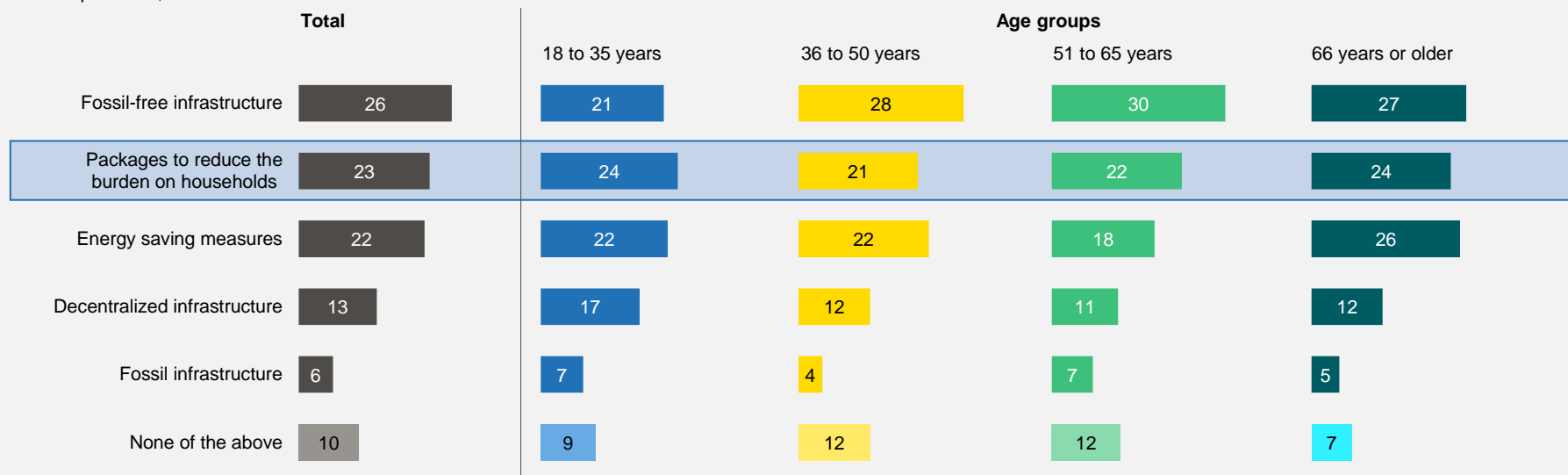
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Next to investments in fossil-free infrastructure, almost one in four would like to have more packages by the government to reduce burden

Preferred investment to reduce energy prices

All respondents, in %



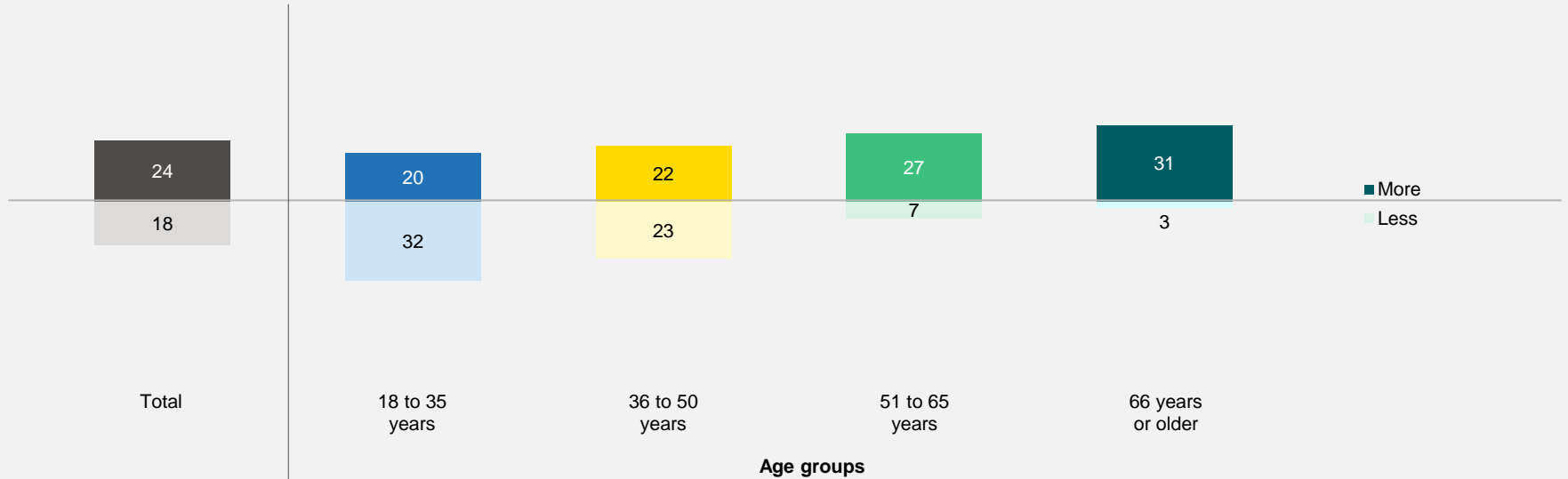
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Electric bike usage is only slightly affected by increased energy prices – Especially people over 50 years tend to use electric bikes more often

Change in electric bike usage

Respondents who own an electric bike, in %



Question: F24 Lastly, we want to get to know how the usage of electric bikes (if you own one) has changed because of the increased energy prices.; **Base:** NLD W1 Total n=396, 18-35 years n=112, 36-50 years n=107, 51-65 years n=99, 66+ years n=78; Response option "I ride my electric bike as often as before" not displayed; **Source:** Statista 2023

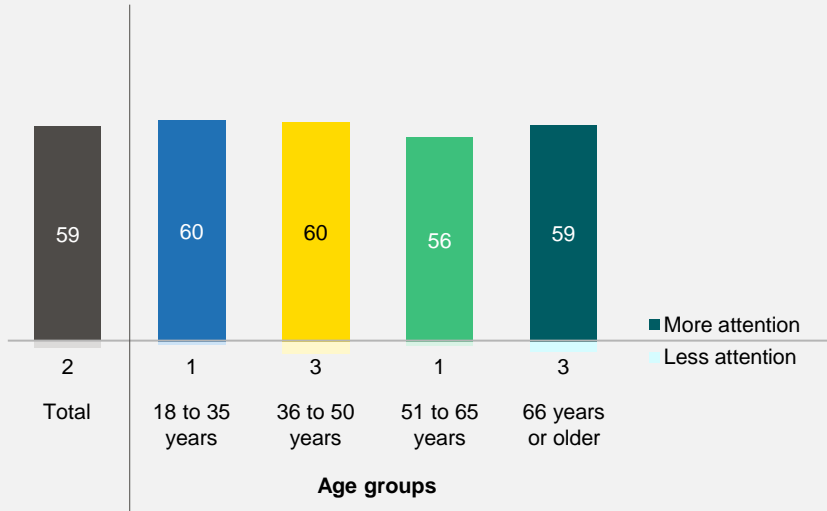
Germany



For 40% of Germans, the energy crisis has no impact on attention to energy saving – The topic nevertheless has a high relevance

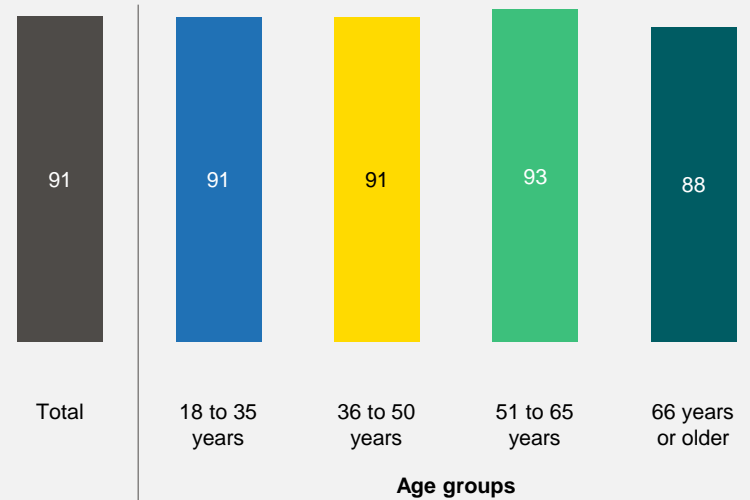
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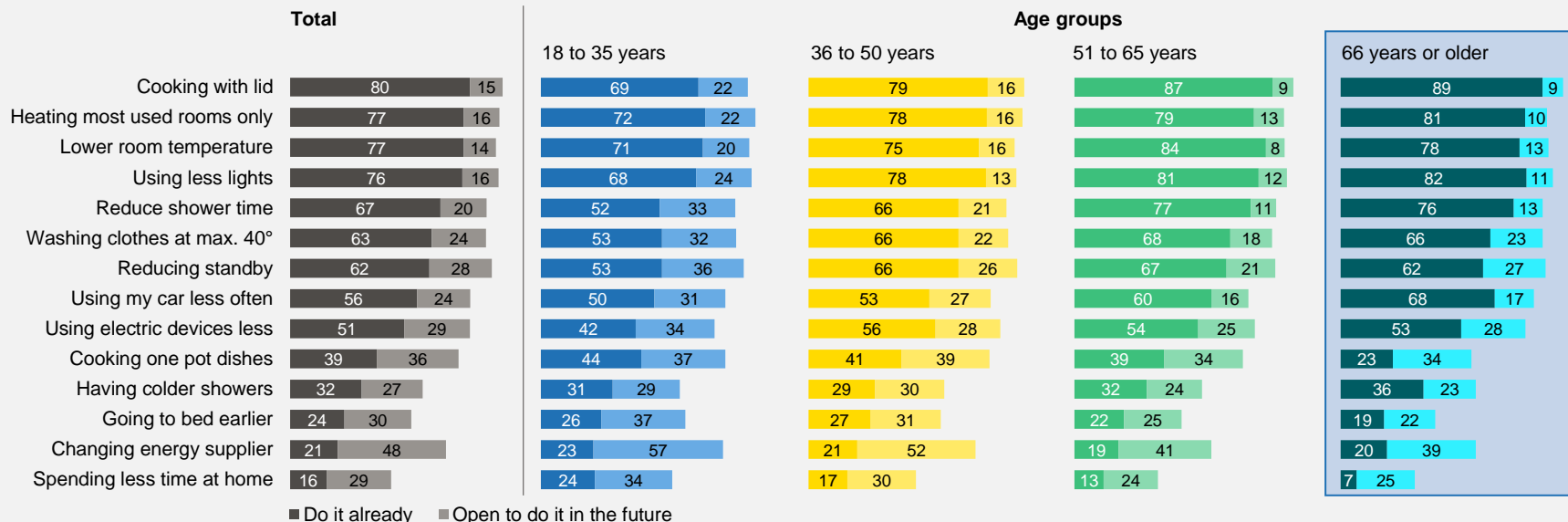
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The older people are, the more specific measures they take – Almost everyone older than 65 years cooks with lid, reduces heating and light

Measures to reduce energy consumption

All respondents, in %



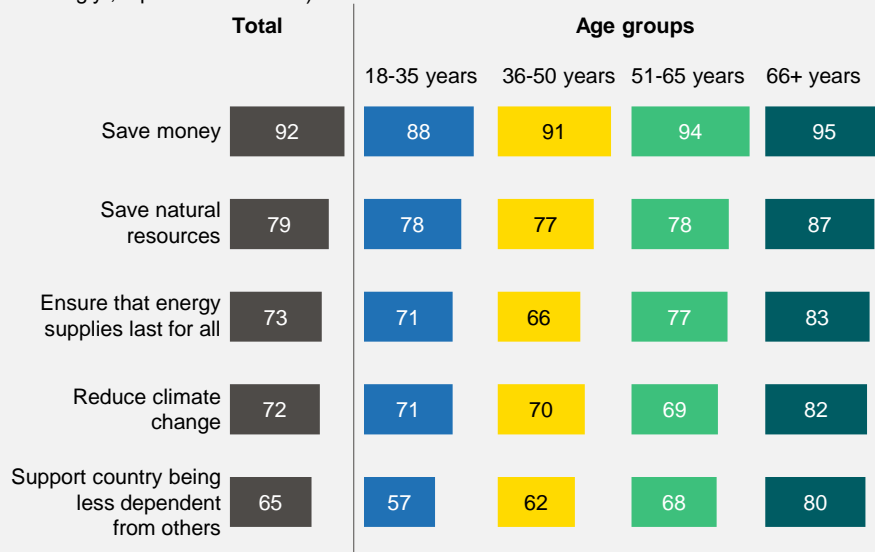
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Money, money, money: The main driver for saving measure is not the conviction to save the environment but rather financial ones

Motivators to reduce energy consumption

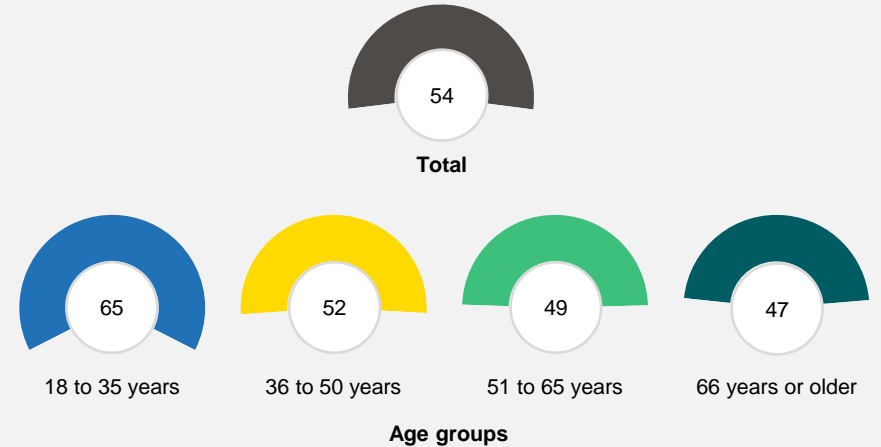
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Expected savings from measures

Respondents who reduce energy consumption, in % (scale 1="Very little" to 4="Very much", top 2 values shown)



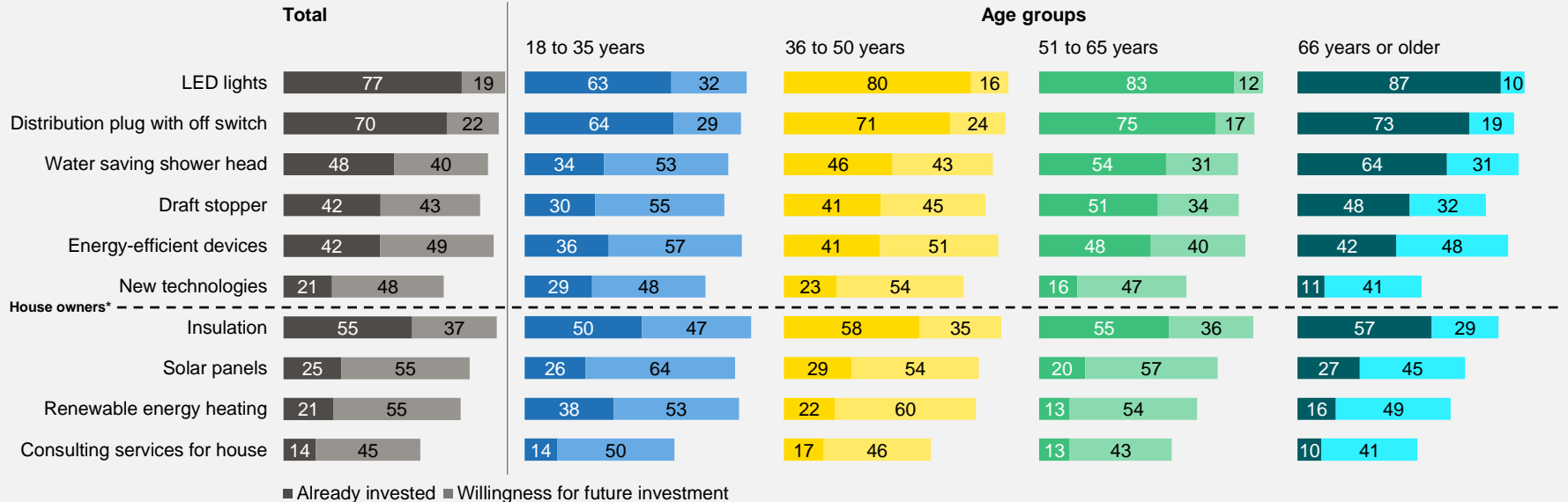
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The older people are the better households are equipped with energy saving features – among homeowners these differences disappear

Investments to reduce energy consumption

All respondents, in %



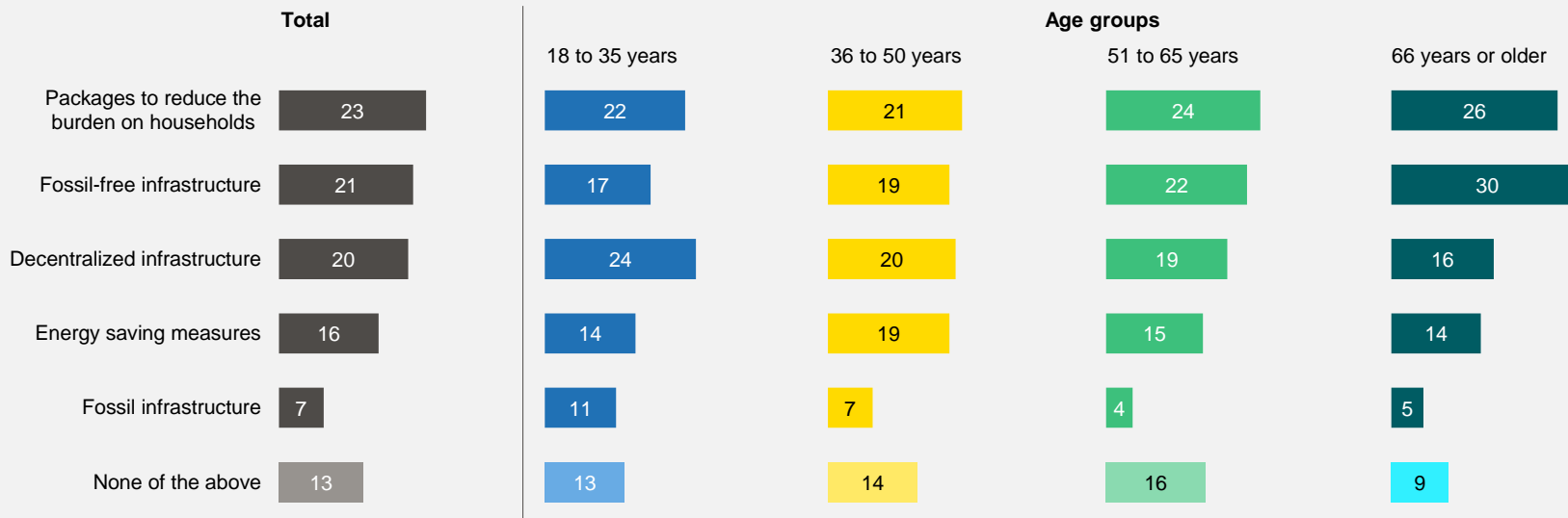
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To ease the financial burden, further measures by the government are preferred; Fossil-free and decentralized infrastructure are ranked 2nd

Preferred investment to reduce energy prices

All respondents, in %



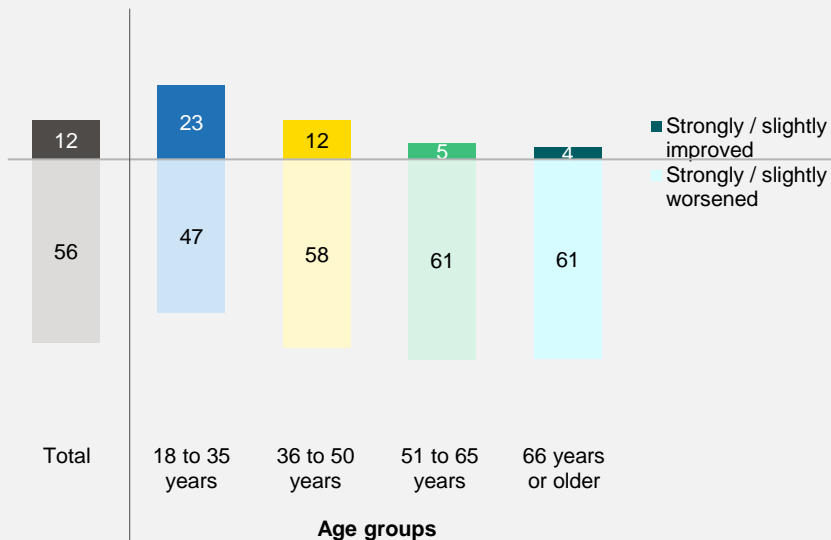
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Due to the energy crisis the financial situation has worsened for more than half of the German population; Energy consulting is not established

Change of financial situation due to energy crisis

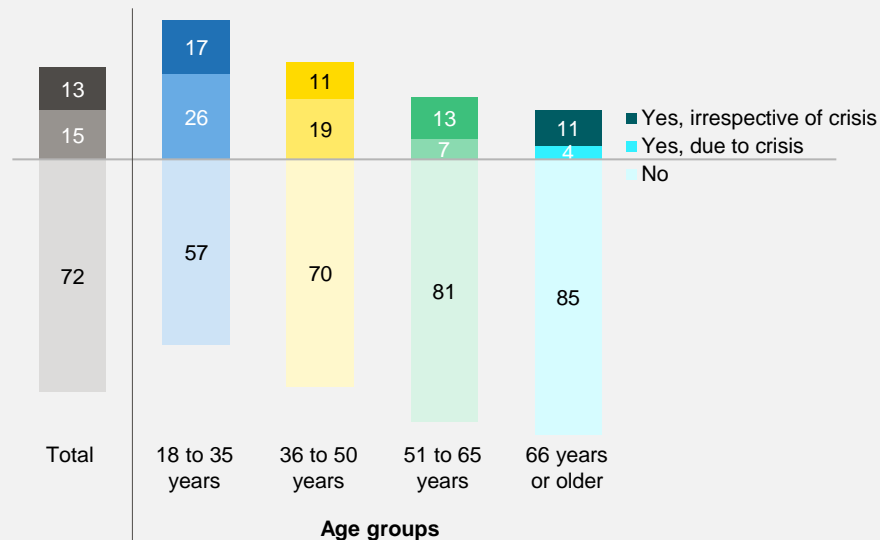
All respondents, in % (scale 1="Strongly worsened" to 5="Strongly improved", top 2 values shown)



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Usage of energy consulting

All respondents, in %



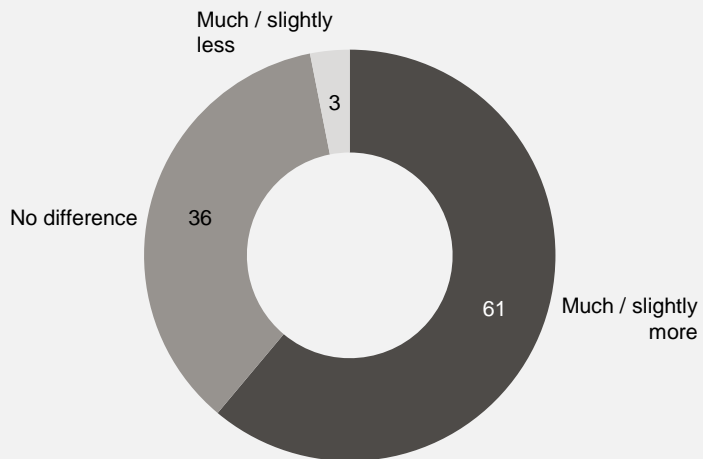
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While eco-friendly behavior is on the rise, landlords have so far been exempted – Rented apartments with only few energy refurbishments

Change in eco-friendly behaviour due to energy crisis

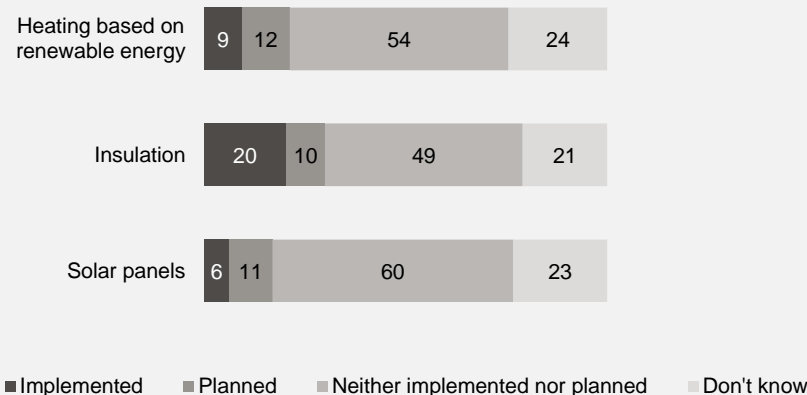
All respondents, in %



Question: F24 To what extent have you adjusted your behaviour due to the increased relevance and reporting on climate change?; **Base:** GER W1 Total n=1,000; **Source:** Statista 2023

Energy refurbishments by landlord

Respondents who are tenants, in %



Question: F25 Which of the following energy refurbishments has your property management / landlord undertaken in order to reduce the energy consumption?; **Base:** GER W1 Total n=606; **Source:** Statista 2023

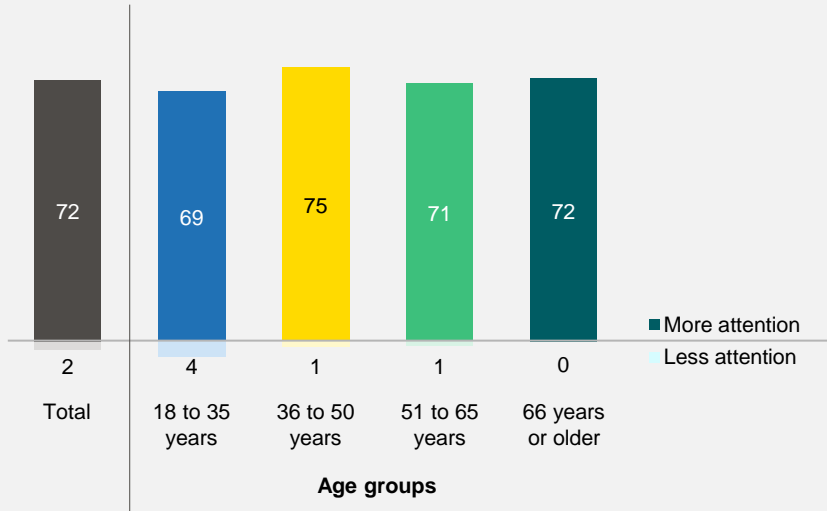
France



French are highly involved when it comes to energy consumption – Relevance to save energy and attention is high for all age groups

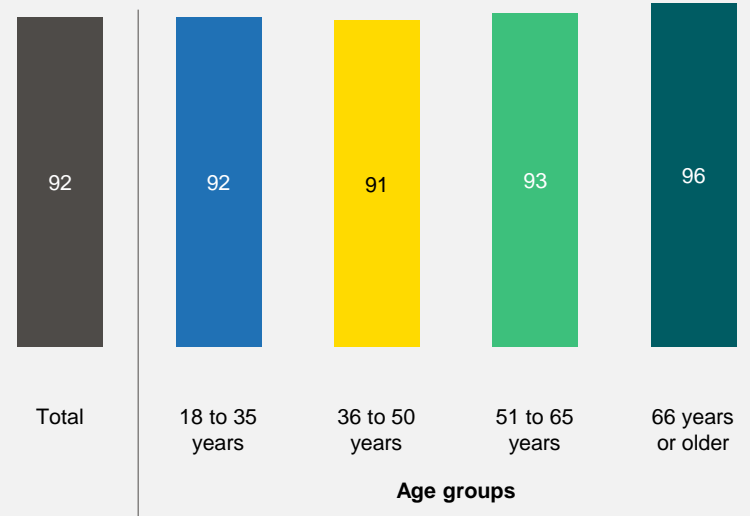
Attention to energy saving since last season

All respondents, in %



Relevance of lower energy consumption

All respondents, in % (scale 1="Not relevant at all" to 4="Very relevant", top 2 values shown)



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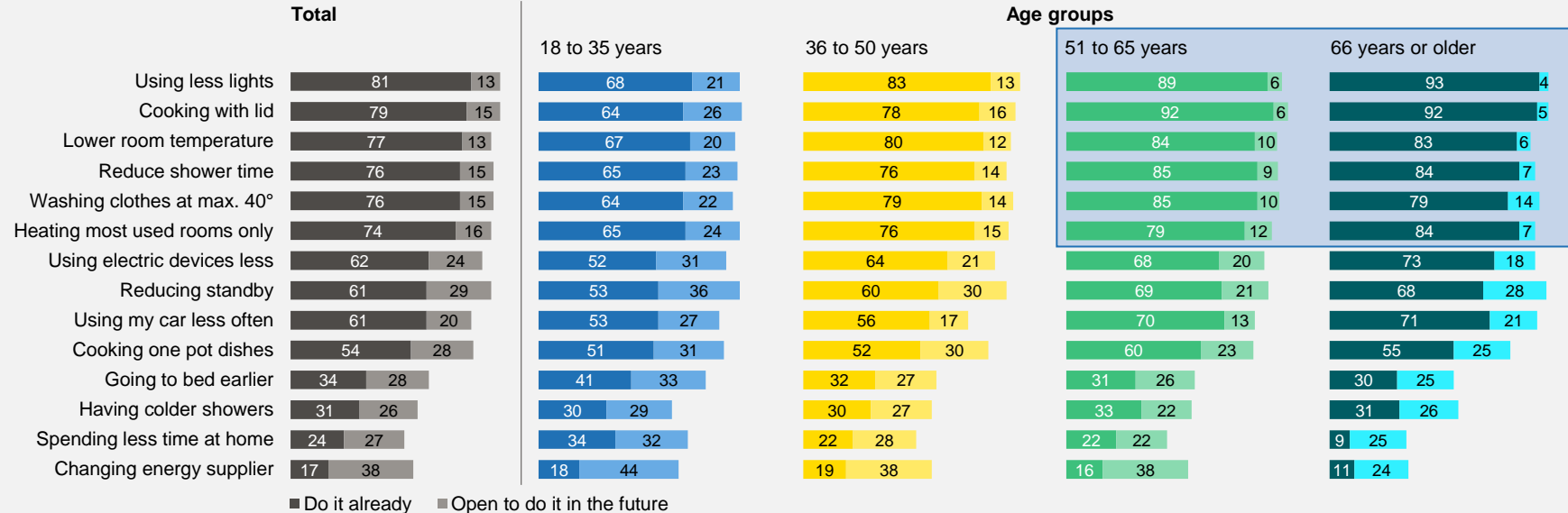
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Less light, shorter showers, colder rooms: French apply various ways to save energy – especially people above 50 years

Measures to reduce energy consumption

All respondents, in %



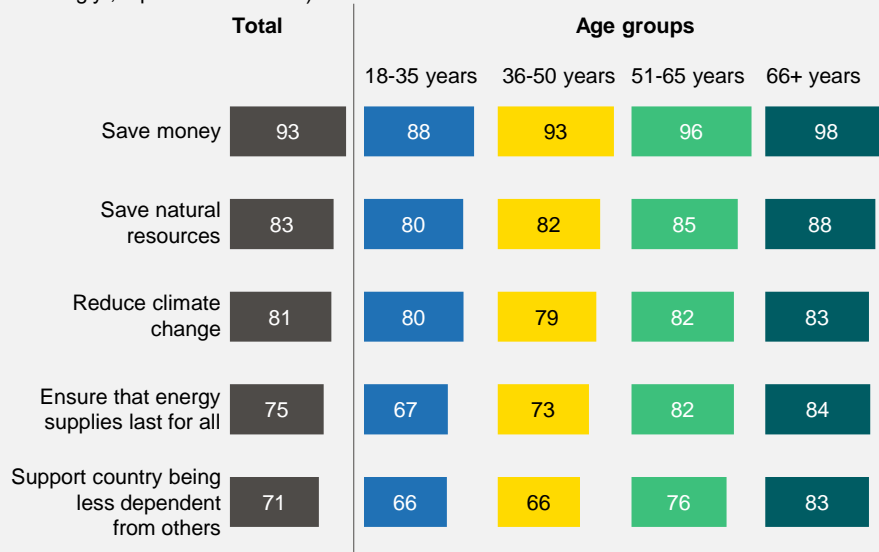
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Economic reasons are the main drivers for energy saving, but ecological aspects also play a decisive role

Motivators to reduce energy consumption

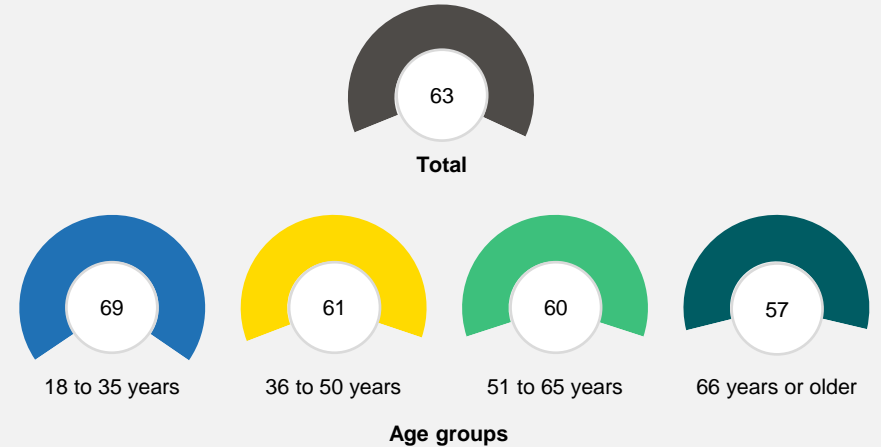
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Expected savings from measures

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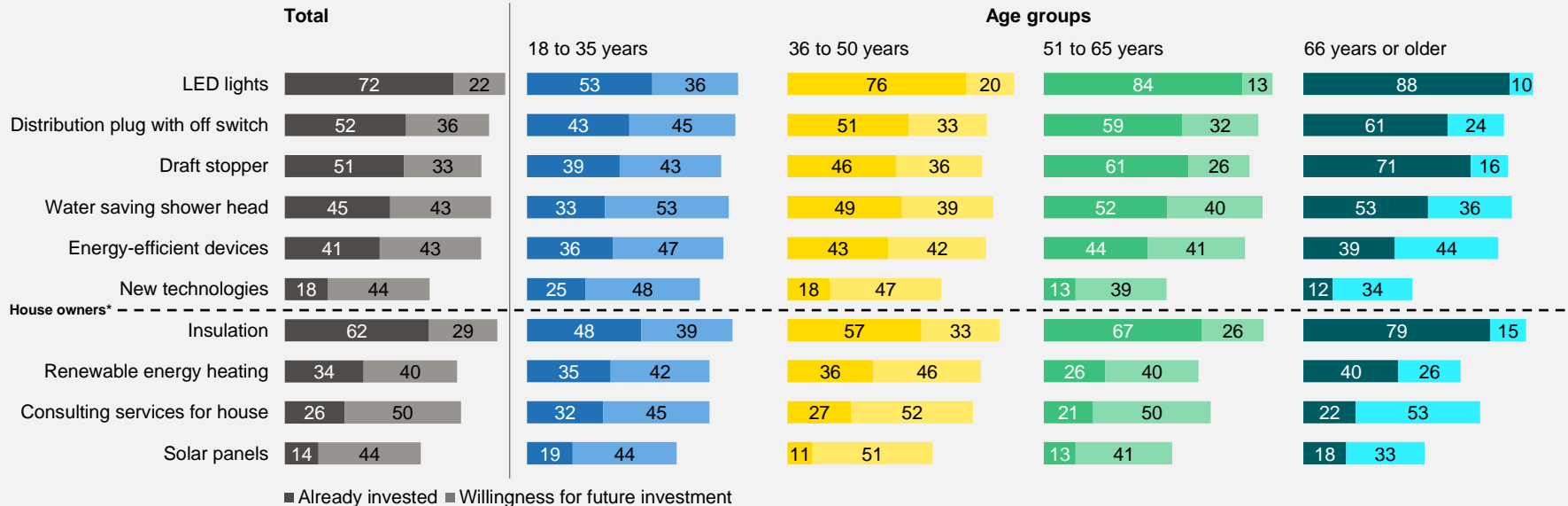
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Reticence to invest in energy saving measures, but there is potential – French older than 65 years spent most frequently

Investments to reduce energy consumption

All respondents, in %



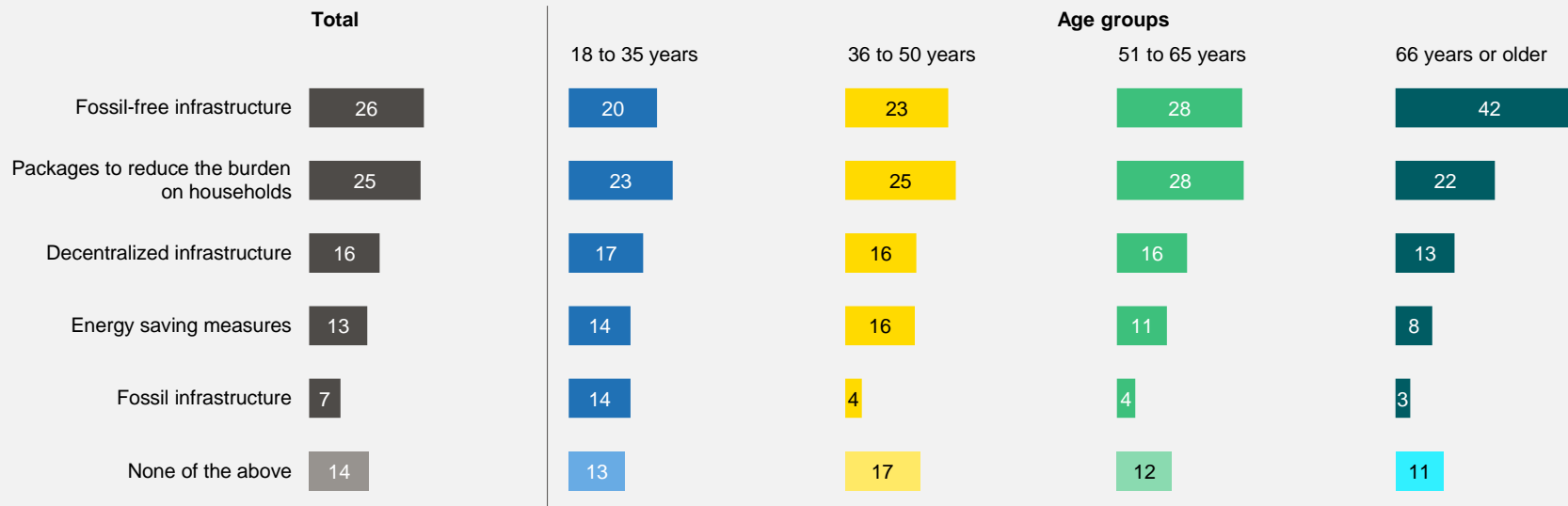
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Next to investments in fossil-free infrastructure, one out of four would like to receive more government support in the form of packages

Preferred investment to reduce energy prices

All respondents, in %



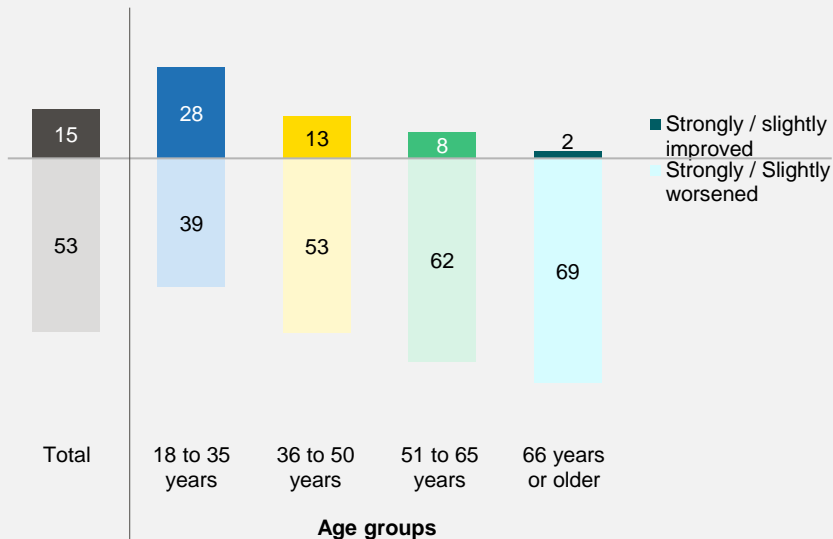
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The general tension in France has its origin in the deterioration of the financial situation of half of the population which worsens with age

Change of financial situation due to energy crisis

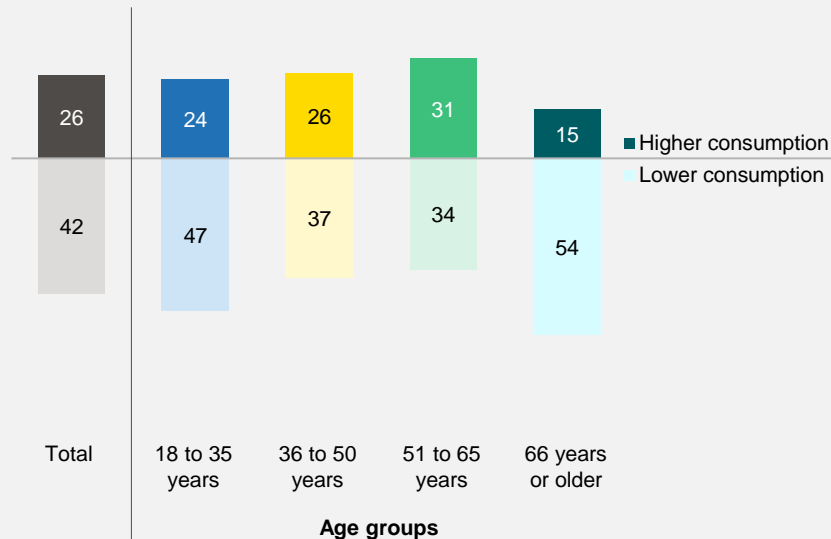
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Change in energy consumption due to working from home

Respondents in whose household at least one person works from home, in %



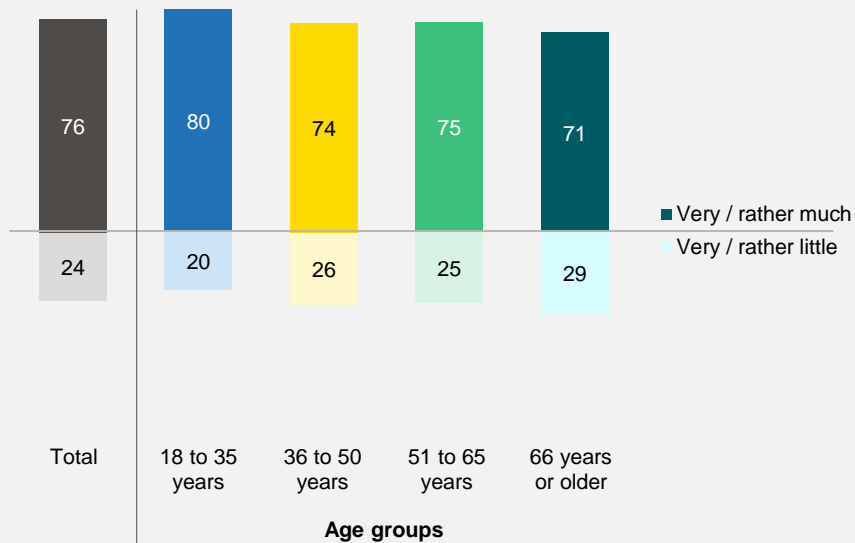
Question: F25 And how has your energy consumption changed due to working from home (if you do so)?; **Base:** FRA W1 Total n=591, 18-35 years n=246, 36-50 years n=186, 51-65 years n=120, 66+ years n=39; Response option "I have not noticed a change" not displayed; **Source:** Statista 2023



3 out of 4 people want to contribute to French energy independence; Consumers older than 50 years clearly in favour for fossil-free energy

Willingness to reduce energy for French energy independence

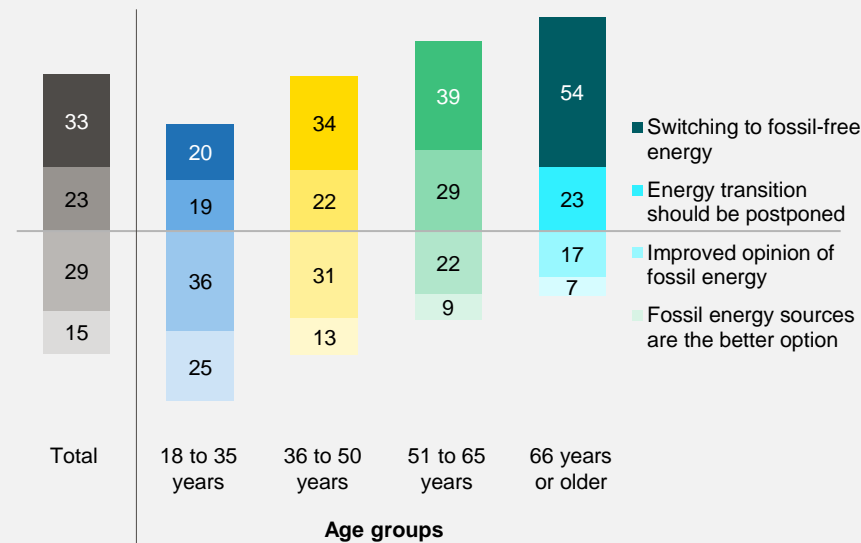
All respondents, in %



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Attitude towards fossil-free energy

All respondents, in %



Question: F23 Which of the following statements applies best to you?; **Base:** FRA W1 Total n=1,000, 18-35 years n=318, 36-50 years n=294, 51-65 years n=267, 66+ years n=121; **Source:** Statista 2023