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SURVEYING EUROPEAN
AWARENESS AND
ACTION ON CHILD SEX
TOURISM

SURVEY RESULTS

RESEARCH METHOD

Sample Size:

approx. 250 people per country (total sample size: 3261)

No. of countries surveyed:

14 EU countries

Survey date frame:

March 2024

About the research:

The research consists of 1 type of question

Single questions: respondents are presented with a 5-point Likert Scale as answer options: "strongly agree", "agree", "neutral", "disagree", or "strongly disagree".

*Due to numbers being rounded up or down, percentages might not add up to 100%

QUESTION 1

People who travel from their own country to another and engage in sexual acts with children are morally reprehensible.

Countries	Strongly agree (%)	Agree (%)	Neutral (%)	Disagree (%)	Strongly disagree (%)
Italy	86	10	2	1	1
Poland	78	16	5	1	0
Portugal	84	9	4	2	1
Slovakia	73	20	5	1	1
France	78	15	4	1	2
Netherlands	72	18	7	2	0
Hungary	85	12	3	0	0
Austria	88	7	3	1	1
Finland	86	11	2	1	0
Sweden	79	13	5	2	1
Belgium	64	23	10	1	2
Germany	84	10	6	0	0
Spain	79	14	3	3	2
Czechia	74	18	7	1	0
Average	79	14	5	1	1

QUESTION 2

I fear that human trafficking is a problem that also takes place within the EU.

Countries	Strongly agree (%)	Agree (%)	Neutral (%)	Disagree (%)	Strongly disagree (%)
Italy	27	54	14	5	0
Poland	34	49	12	5	0
Portugal	53	42	5	0	0
Slovakia	34	54	10	2	0
France	26	47	18	7	2
Netherlands	29	59	9	3	0
Hungary	31	55	11	3	1
Austria	44	40	8	7	1
Finland	48	38	11	3	0
Sweden	47	43	7	3	0
Belgium	33	52	13	2	0
Germany	44	37	14	4	1
Spain	41	49	5	3	2
Czechia	28	46	18	7	2
Average	37	47	11	4	1

QUESTION 3

European laws and regulations which address the issue of Child Sex Tourism and human trafficking are not effective enough.

Countries	Strongly agree (%)	Agree (%)	Neutral (%)	Disagree (%)	Strongly disagree (%)
Italy	32	49	15	3	1
Poland	27	37	27	8	1
Portugal	32	46	15	5	2
Slovakia	27	41	26	5	1
France	44	38	14	3	1
Netherlands	26	48	23	2	2
Hungary	34	41	19	5	1
Austria	42	35	18	5	1
Finland	41	41	16	2	1
Sweden	34	42	20	3	2
Belgium	32	42	22	3	0
Germany	40	34	21	4	1
Spain	40	40	12	6	2
Czechia	18	44	27	8	3
Average	34	41	20	4	1

QUESTION 4

It is a tourist's (personal) responsibility to aid in the prevention of Child Sex Tourism in the country where they are traveling to.

Countries	Strongly agree (%)	Agree (%)	Neutral (%)	Disagree (%)	Strongly disagree (%)
Italy	39	38	16	5	2
Poland	34	33	22	10	2
Portugal	33	41	13	11	2
Slovakia	23	39	29	8	2
France	44	36	11	6	3
Netherlands	24	34	24	14	4
Hungary	30	27	23	17	3
Austria	36	27	27	7	3
Finland	30	36	22	9	3
Sweden	31	30	22	12	5
Belgium	22	36	26	11	5
Germany	34	33	22	7	4
Spain	42	35	14	8	2
Czechia	18	24	30	20	8
Average	31	34	22	10	3

QUESTION 5

Before planning a trip abroad, I would like to know how much Child Sex Tourism occurs in that country.

Countries	Strongly agree (%)	Agree (%)	Neutral (%)	Disagree (%)	Strongly disagree (%)
Italy	25	41	23	8	4
Poland	26	41	23	6	4
Portugal	27	41	25	5	2
Slovakia	21	37	30	10	3
France	31	37	22	5	6
Netherlands	8	23	34	29	5
Hungary	26	28	33	7	6
Austria	14	17	36	18	15
Finland	23	34	31	9	3
Sweden	20	27	34	15	5
Belgium	11	25	35	19	10
Germany	22	29	26	13	9
Spain	32	36	20	6	5
Czechia	22	28	35	12	3
Average	22	32	29	12	6

Note: There is a clear divide on this statement. It could be that the deviation of the norm is due to differing language.

QUESTION 6

If I know that a country lacks regulations/effective criminalisation of Child Sex Tourism, I don't want to travel there.

Countries	Strongly agree (%)	Agree (%)	Neutral (%)	Disagree (%)	Strongly disagree (%)
Italy	42	32	19	6	1
Poland	30	36	26	6	3
Portugal	40	29	21	7	2
Slovakia	34	28	26	10	1
France	42	31	20	5	2
Netherlands	24	35	29	11	1
Hungary	33	30	31	5	1
Austria	37	29	23	8	3
Finland	46	34	14	4	1
Sweden	46	26	23	4	1
Belgium	28	31	30	8	4
Germany	48	23	19	7	3
Spain	50	31	16	2	1
Czechia	30	31	30	6	3
Average	38	31	24	6	2

QUESTION 7

Upon returning home from a trip where individuals engaged in Child Sex Tourism, alleged perpetrators should be extradited back to the country where they committed the crime to stand trial. Even if the local jurisdiction may not be comparable to Western ones.

Countries	Strongly agree (%)	Agree (%)	Neutral (%)	Disagree (%)	Strongly disagree (%)
Italy	48	31	15	5	1
Poland	41	35	17	6	2
Portugal	44	32	16	7	1
Slovakia	44	33	16	7	1
France	51	26	15	4	3
Netherlands	40	39	17	3	1
Hungary	56	31	9	2	2
Austria	51	21	18	7	3
Finland	43	29	21	6	0
Sweden	42	35	18	4	2
Belgium	41	34	16	6	2
Germany	54	24	15	5	3
Spain	52	30	12	4	2
Czechia	43	34	16	6	0
Average	46	31	16	5	2