



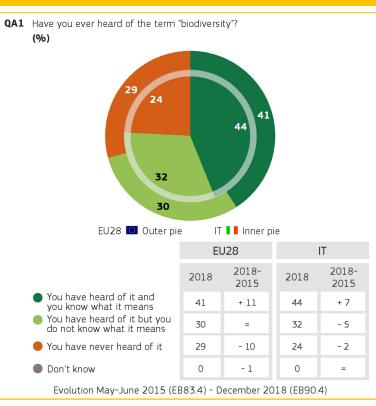
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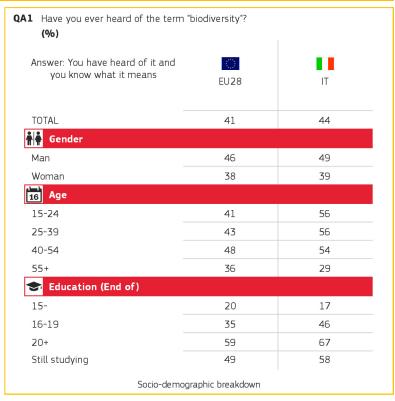
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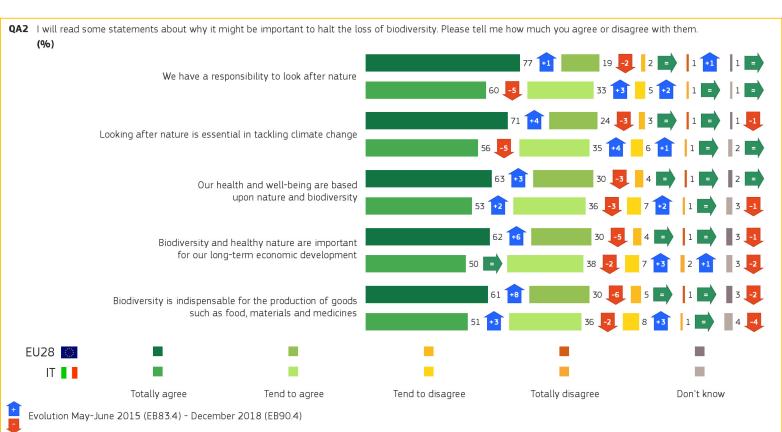
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1. AWARENESS OF BIODIVERSITY AND REASONS TO PROTECT IT











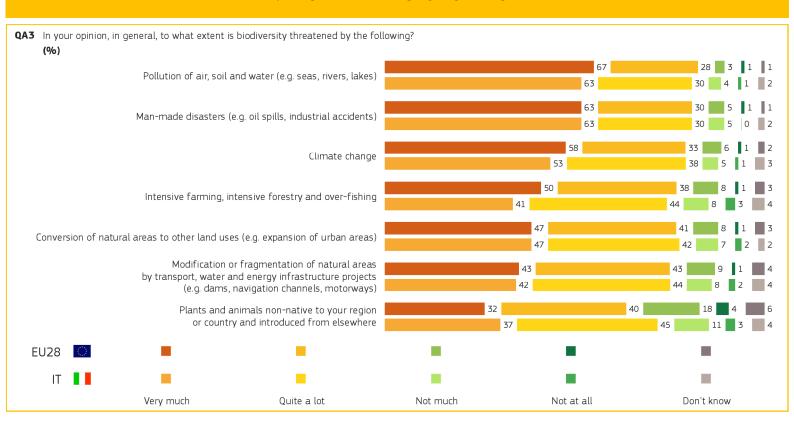
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2. PERCEIVED THREATS TO BIODIVERSITY

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Evolution May-June 2015 (EB83.4) - December 2018 (EB90.4)

QA3 In your opinion, in general, to what extent is biodiversity threatened by the following?

Answer: Very much (%)

	2018	2018- 2015	2018	2018- 2015
Pollution of air, soil and water (e.g. seas, rivers, lakes)	67	+ 5	63	- 1
Man-made disasters (e.g. oil spills, industrial accidents)	63	+ 3	63	- 2
Climate change	58	+ 7	53	- 3
Intensive farming, intensive forestry and over-fishing	50	+ 3	41	=
Conversion of natural areas to other land uses (e.g. expansion of urban areas)	47	+ 3	47	- 3
Modification or fragmentation of natural areas by transport, water and energy infrastructure projects (e.g. dams, navigation channels, motorways)	43	+ 4	42	- 3
Plants and animals non-native to your region or country and introduced from elsewhere	32	+ 2	37	=

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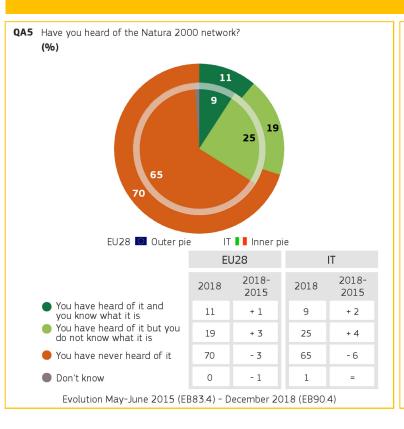
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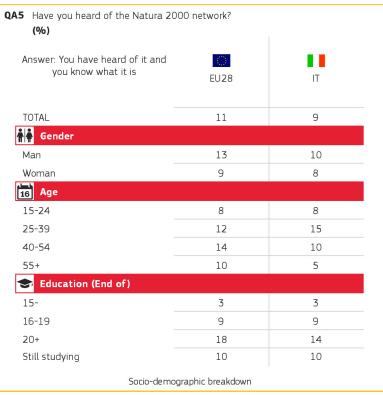
3. PROTECTING BIODIVERSITY

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4. NATURE PROTECTION AREAS









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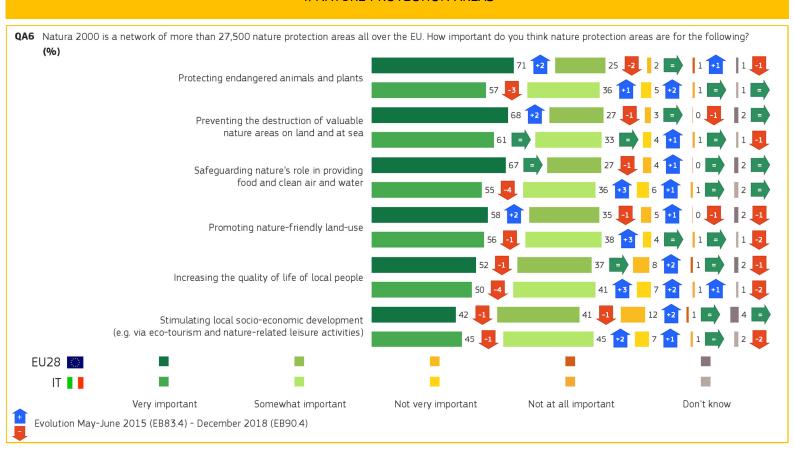
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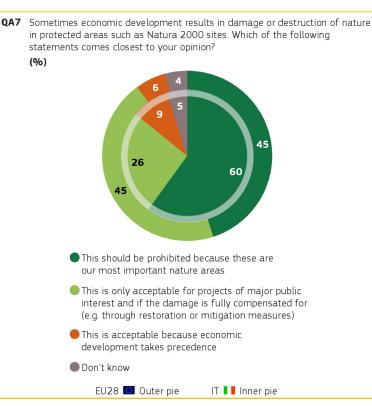
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4. NATURE PROTECTION AREAS

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QA7	Sometimes economic development results in damage or destruction of nature in protected areas such as Natura 2000 sites. Which of the following statements comes closest to your opinion? (%)								
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		2018	2018- 2015	2018	2018- 2015				
	This should be prohibited because these are our most important nature areas	45	- 1	60	- 2				
th	This is only acceptable for projects of major public interest and if e damage is fully compensated for (e.g. through restoration or mitigation measures)	45	+ 4	26	=				
	This is acceptable because economic development takes precedence	6	- 1	9	+ 2				
	Don't know	4	- 2	5	=				