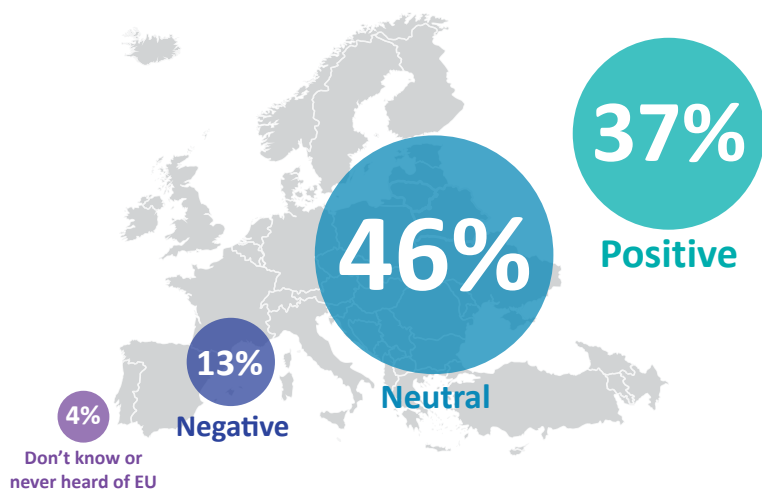


# Perceptions of the European Union

## Public Opinion in Belarus

Do you have a positive, neutral or negative view of the European Union?

### COUNTRY PICTURE



### EU PERCEPTION AT A GLANCE

The majority of Belarusians took a neutral stance

Pro-EU attitudes decrease with age and increase with settlement size



### TOP VALUES ASSOCIATED WITH THE EU

Economic prosperity  
Freedom  
Human rights



### POSITIVE VIEWS ARE ASSOCIATED WITH

Economic prosperity  
EU support to Belarus  
Freedom of movement  
Work and trade opportunities



### NEGATIVE VIEWS ARE ASSOCIATED WITH

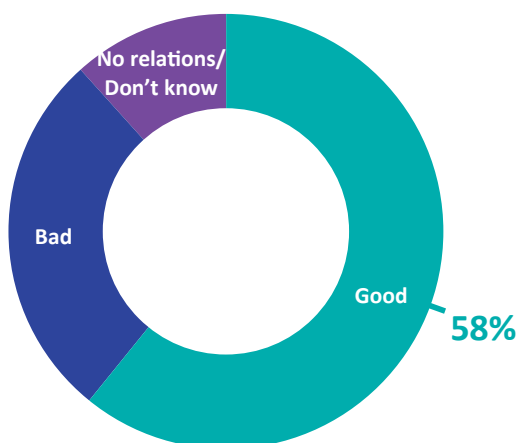
Attitude towards Russia and/or Belarus  
Bad government and policies  
Lack of trust  
Selfishness/Double standards



### NEUTRAL VIEWS ARE ASSOCIATED WITH

The EU is distant  
Lack of information  
Lack of interest  
Lack of trust/Ineffective/Lack of values

How would you describe relations between the EU and your country?



### Trust in international institutions

The European Union



The United Nations



NATO



The Eurasian Economic Union



Percentage of trust

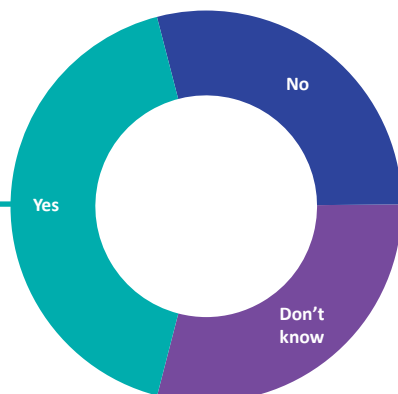
# Awareness and Effectiveness of EU Support

## Public Opinion in Belarus

Does the European Union provide your country with financial support for cooperation programmes?

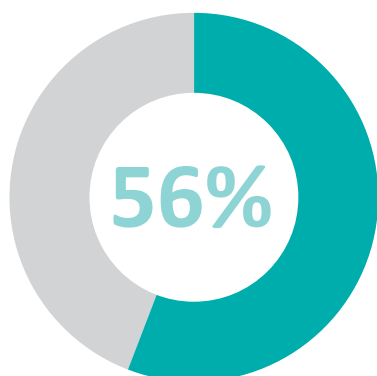
42%

of people are well aware of EU financial support



How effective do you think the support has been?

Percentage of Citizens that deem the EU support effective



Percentages based on citizens aware of EU support

Satisfied citizens are more likely to be

- Younger people
- Residents of larger and medium-sized cities

To what extent would you say your country has benefited from current EU support?

The EU has contributed the most to the following sectors in my country

Greater tourism  
63%



Trade  
62%



Greater access to products/services  
58%



Better Education  
54%



Percentage based on number of 'very much' or 'fairly' answers

The EU should contribute more to the following sectors in my country

Economic development  
38%



Health and Medicine  
11%



Education and Science  
10%



Tourism, Trade and Export  
7%



Percentage based on number of 'not at all' answers

Would you say the following international institutions provide more, the same or less financial support to your country than the European Union?

The Institution supports my country the same or more than the EU



Russian Federation



The International Monetary Fund & The World Bank



United Nations



United States

More  
The same  
Less

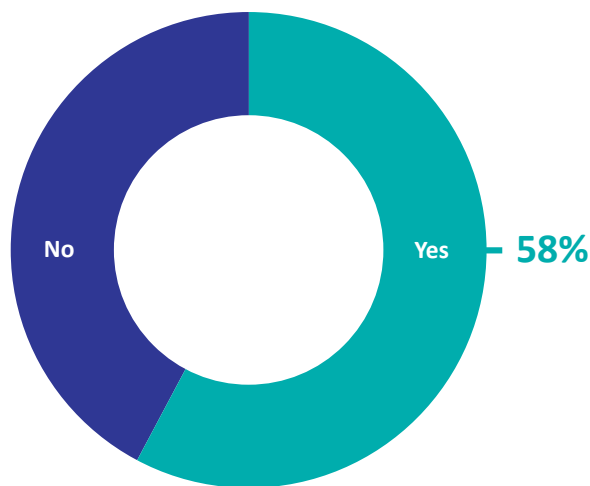
The Institution supports my country less than the EU

A significant share of the population answered don't know, ranging from 14% (in the case of the Russian Federation) to 29% (the United States)

# Sources of Information on the EU

## Public Opinion in Belarus

Have you seen or heard any information about the EU in last three months?



### Topics of interest



Border issues



EU Programmes and funding



Joining the European Union



Relationships between the EU and Belarus



Work opportunities and life in the EU

Findings based on citizens who frequently look for information on the EU

Where or from whom did you hear information about the EU?



TELEVISION  
77%



SOCIAL MEDIA  
20%



FRIENDS  
9%



NEWSPAPERS  
18%

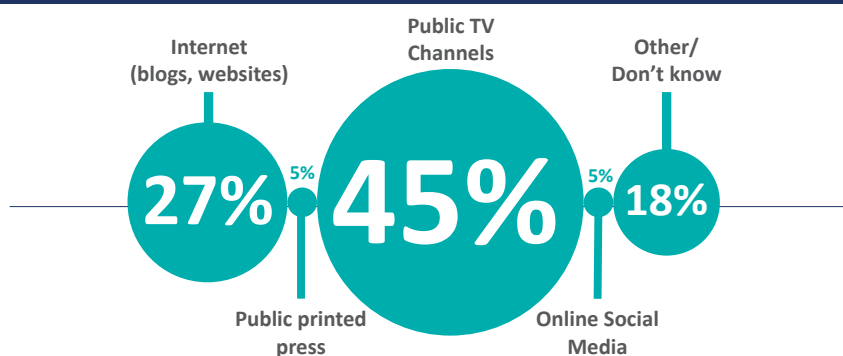


WEBSITES  
13%

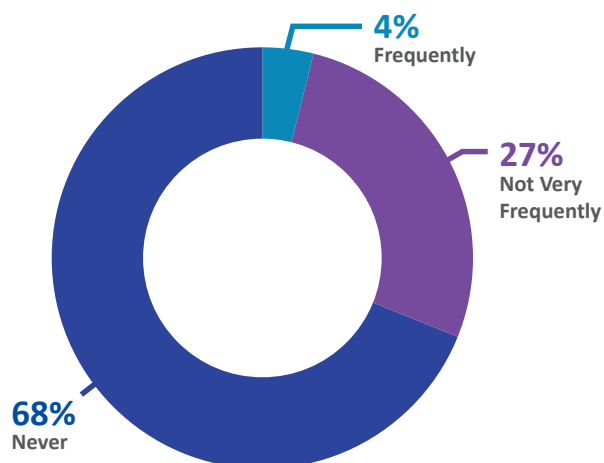


RADIO  
7%

Most reliable source of news for political matters



How often do you look for/ access information on the EU?



Accessibility of information on the EU

Residents of large and medium sized cities and people with higher education have been relatively more exposed to information about the EU



Half of the population feels that the EU is presented objectively on national media however 4 out of 10 citizens are not satisfied with the level of information provided by the government on EU-related topics

Figures based on people who frequently look for information on the EU