

Coronavirus **COVID-19**

Public Opinion Tracking Research: 17/08/20

ABOUT THE RESEARCH

The research findings in this report are based on surveys by **Amárach Research** on behalf of the Department of Health.

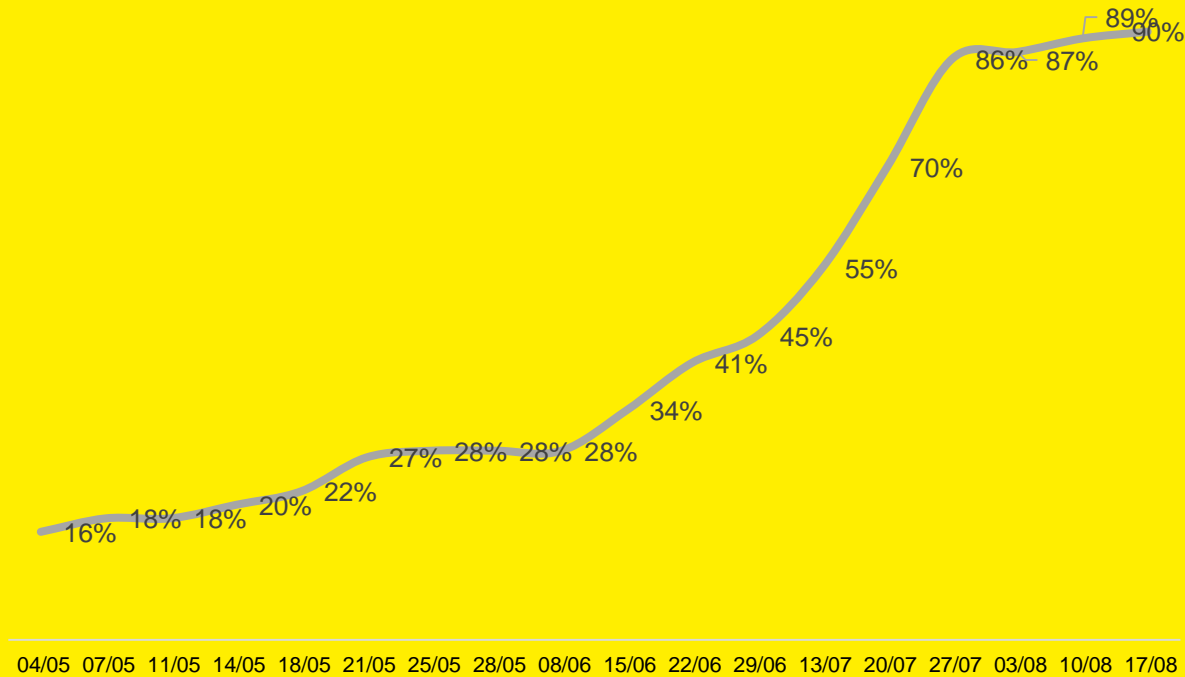
The polls are conducted and reported on the same day using Amárach's SmartPoll panel and weighted to the demographics of the 18+ adult population.

Sample size (17/08/20): n=1,863

Behavioural Change

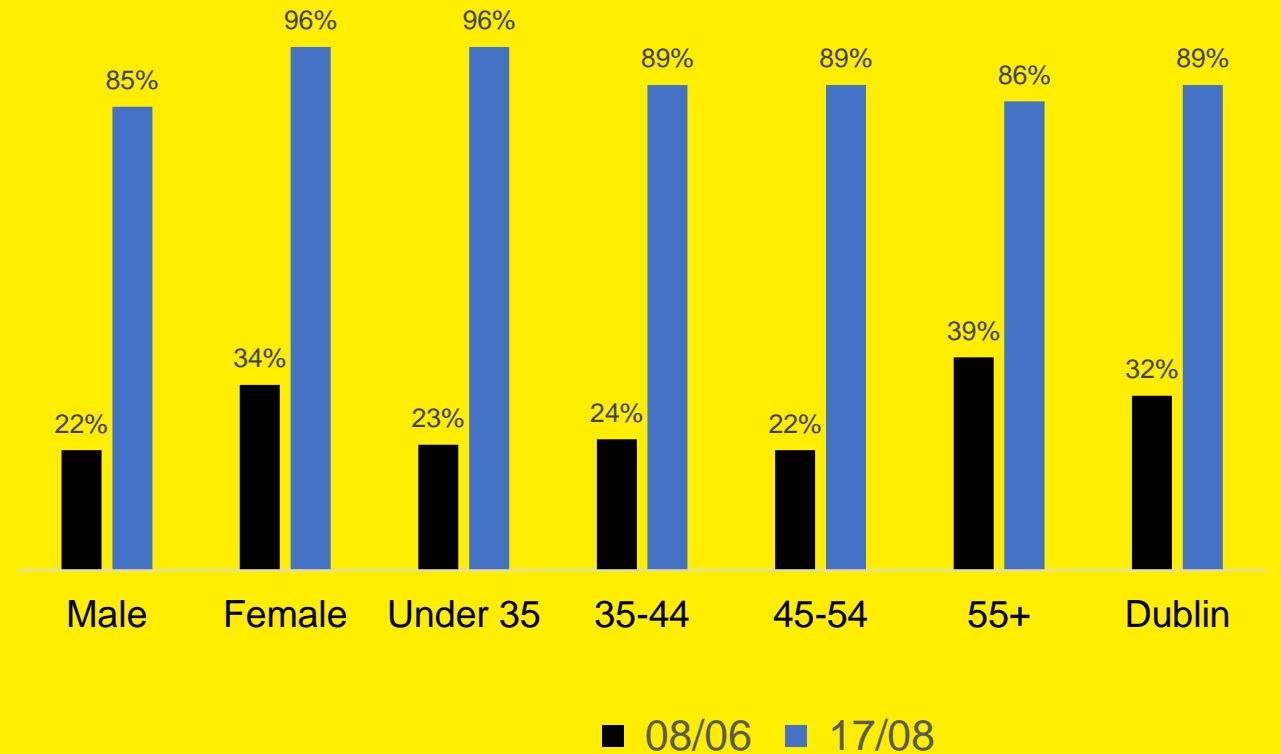
Face Masks

Do you wear a face mask when in public places? All Adults: % Yes



Face Mask Demographics

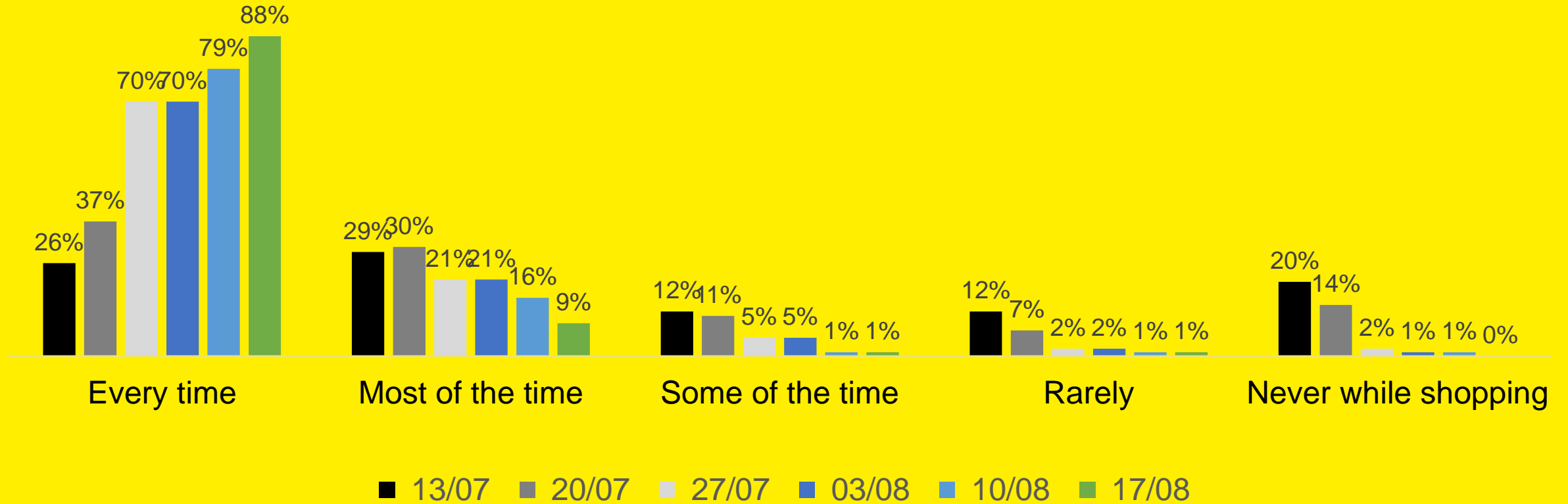
Do you wear a face mask when in public places? % Yes



Face Mask Frequency - I

Do you wear a face covering when you are shopping?

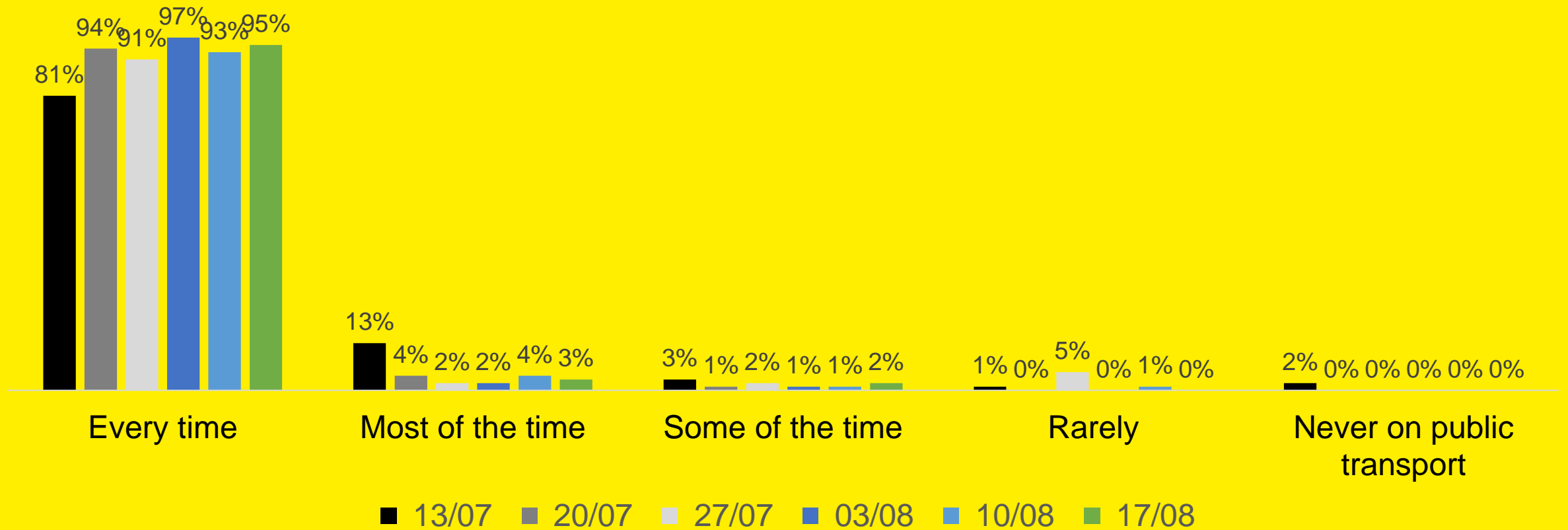
Base: shoppers (99% of sample)



Face Mask Frequency - II

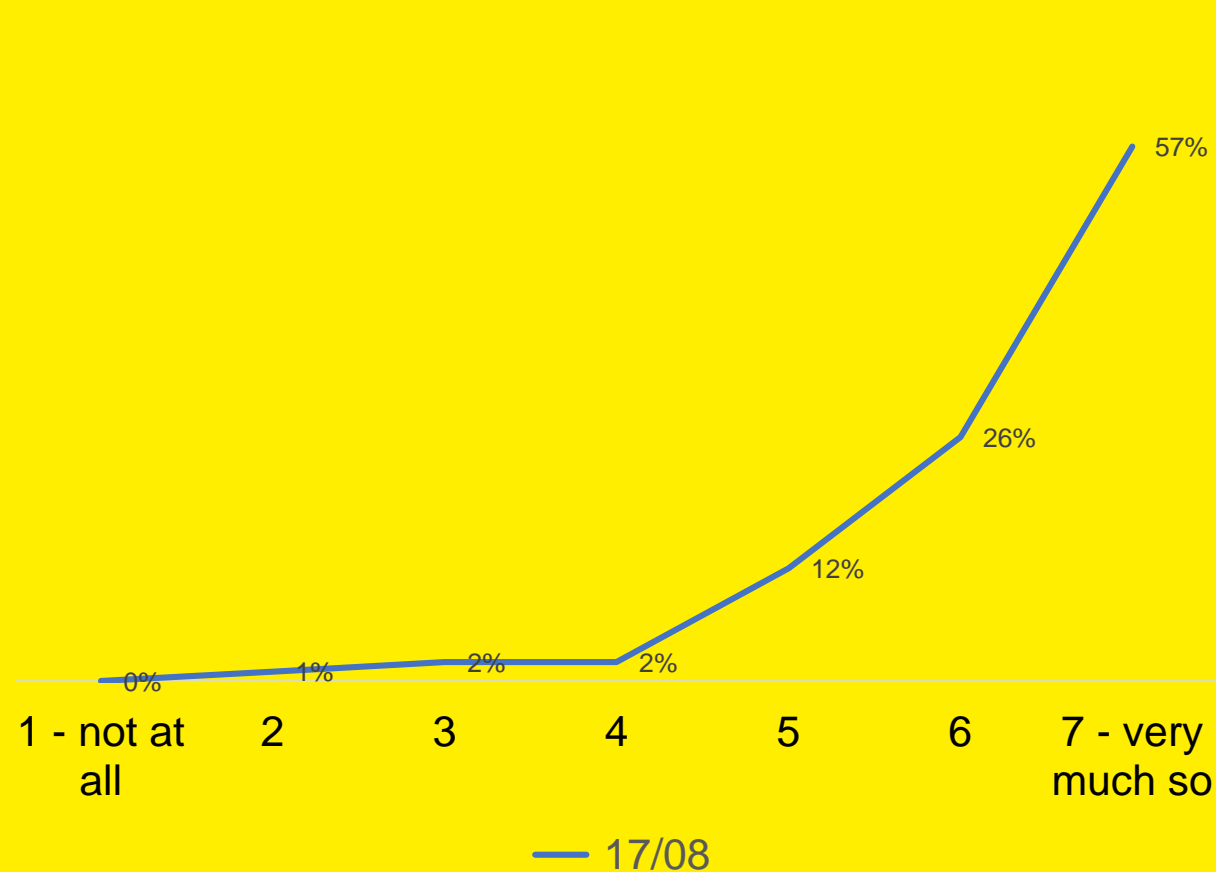
Do you wear a face covering when using public transport?

Base: users of public transport (20% of sample)



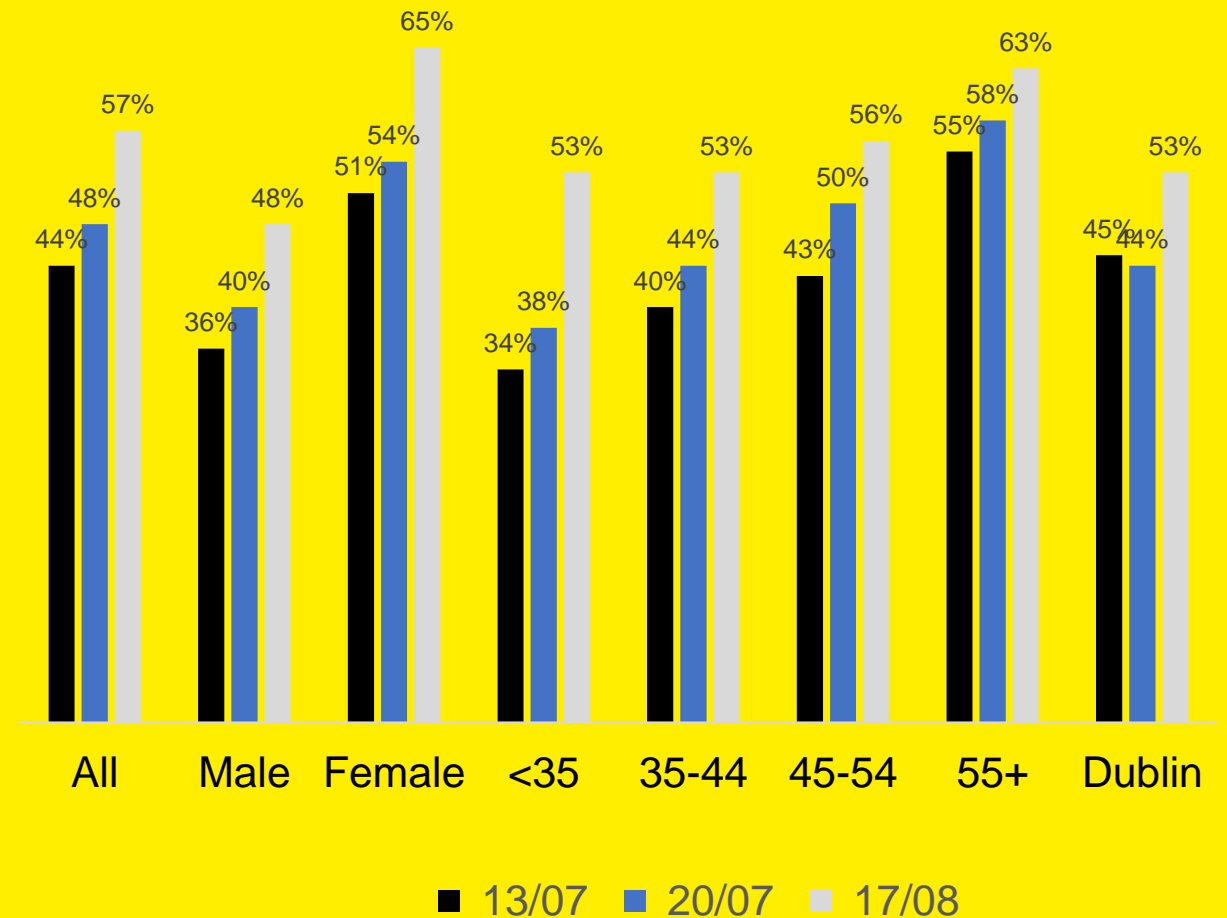
Following Recommendations - I

To what extent do you follow the recommendations from the Department of Health and HSE to prevent spread of coronavirus?
Scale of 1 - 7



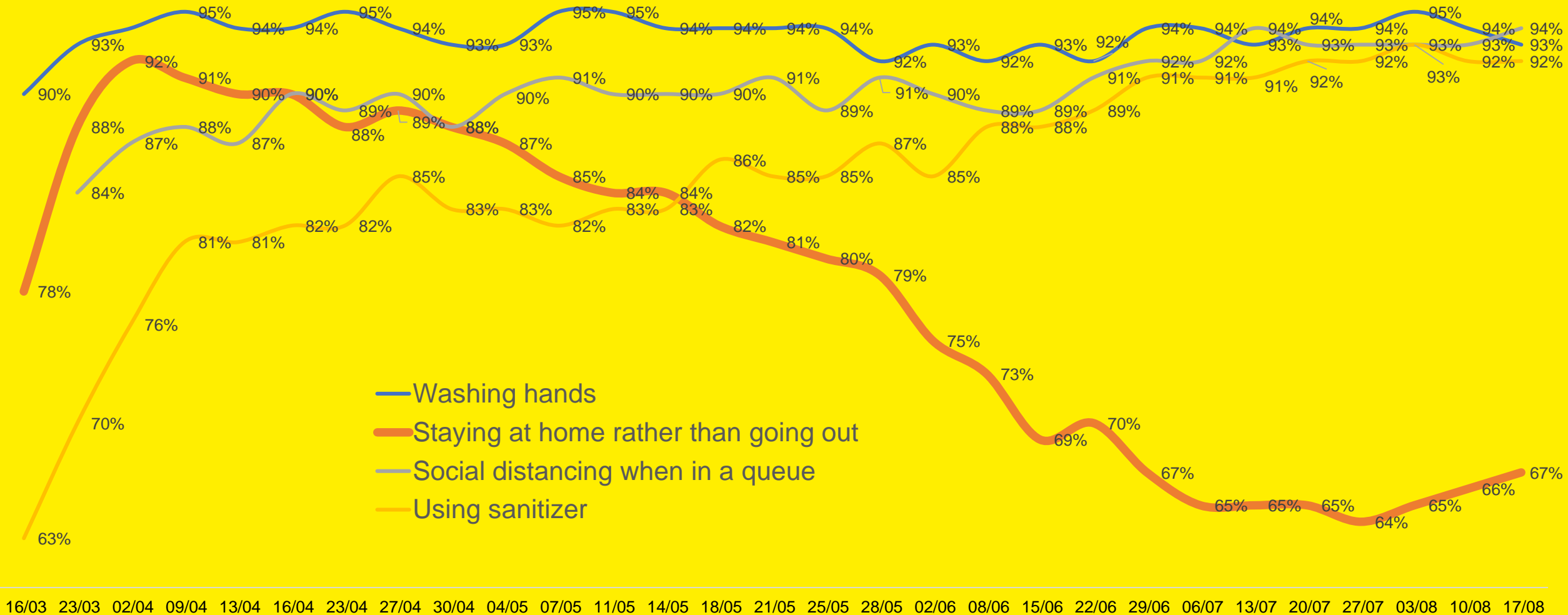
Following Recommendations - II

Demographics: % 7 – very much so



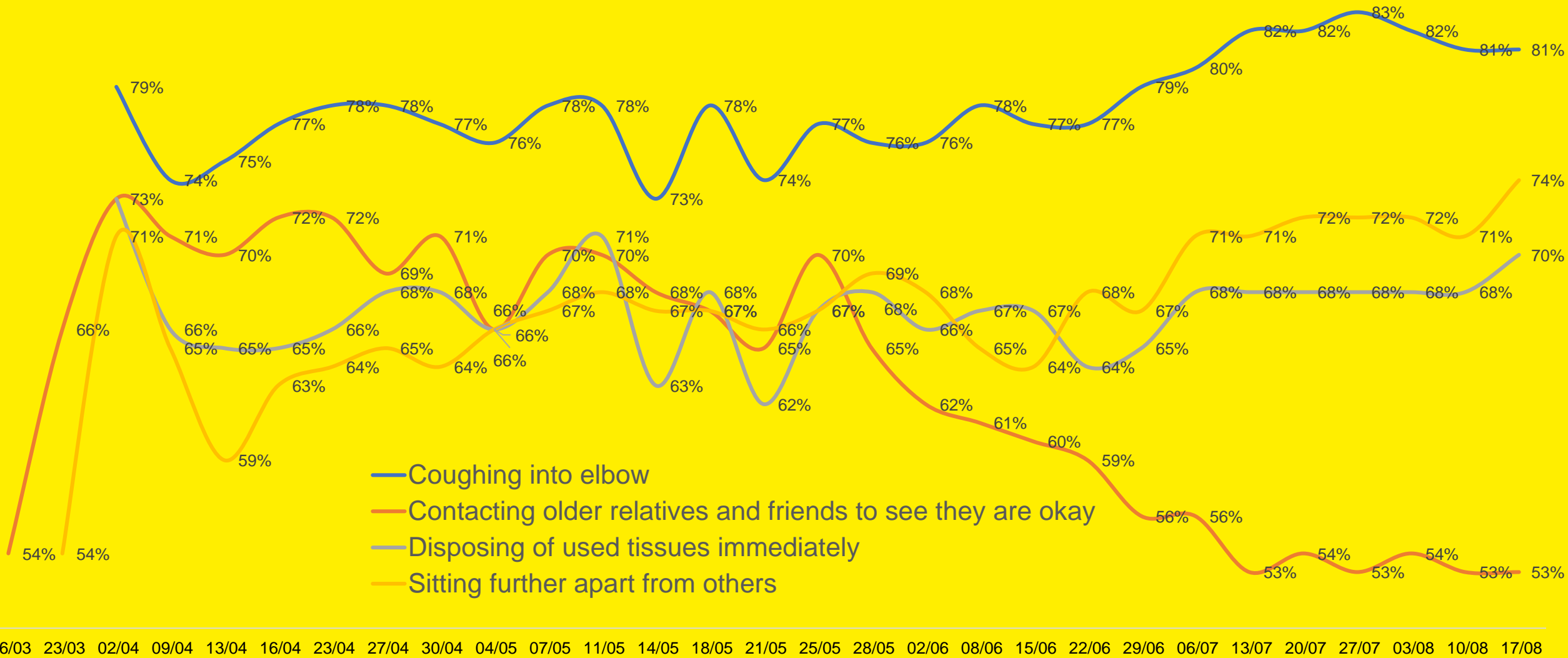
Safe Behaviours – I

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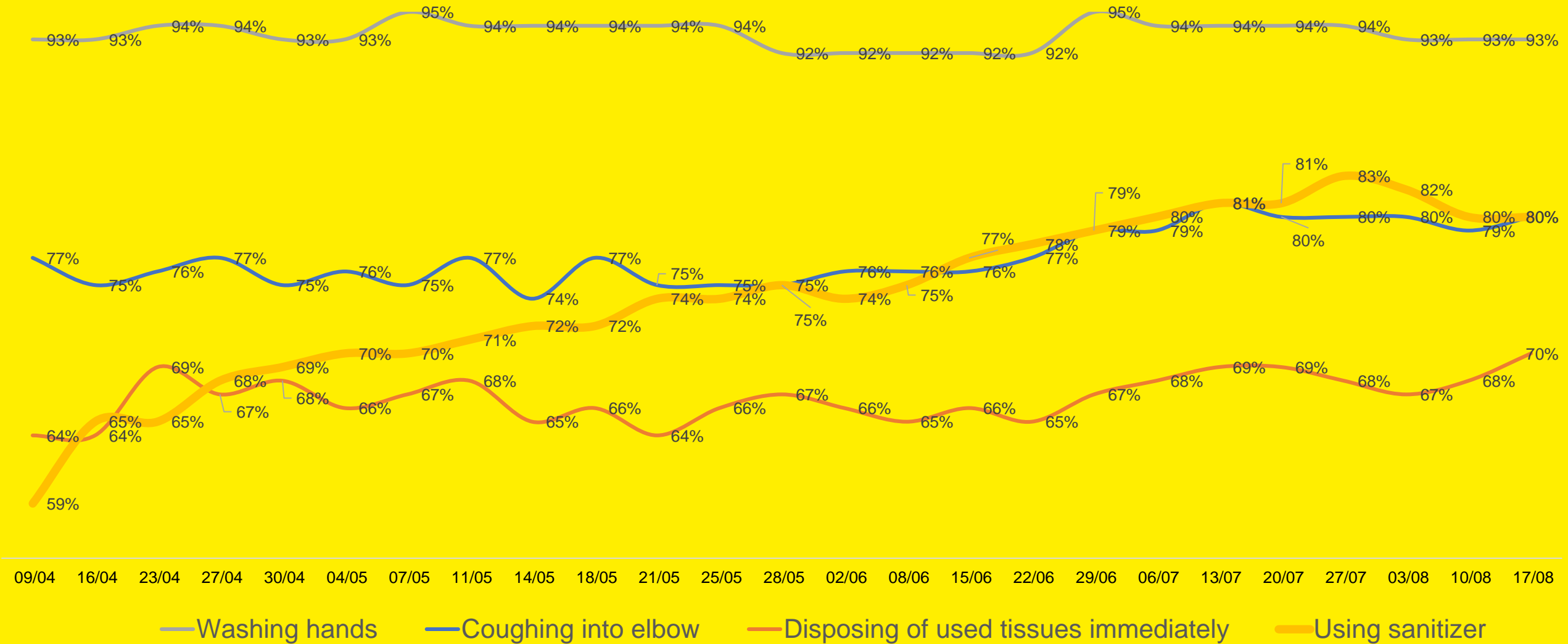
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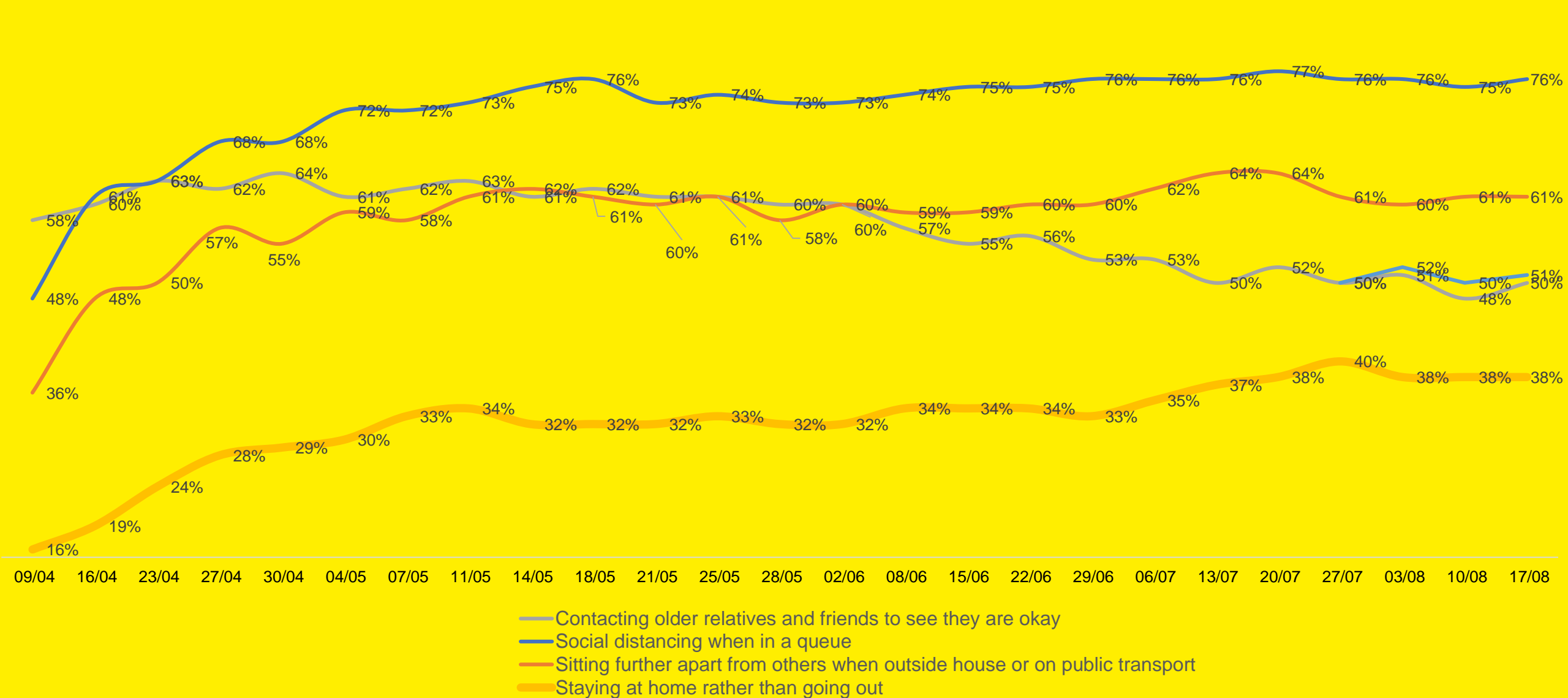
Future Behaviours – I

Which of the following will you continue after Coronavirus?



Future Behaviours – II

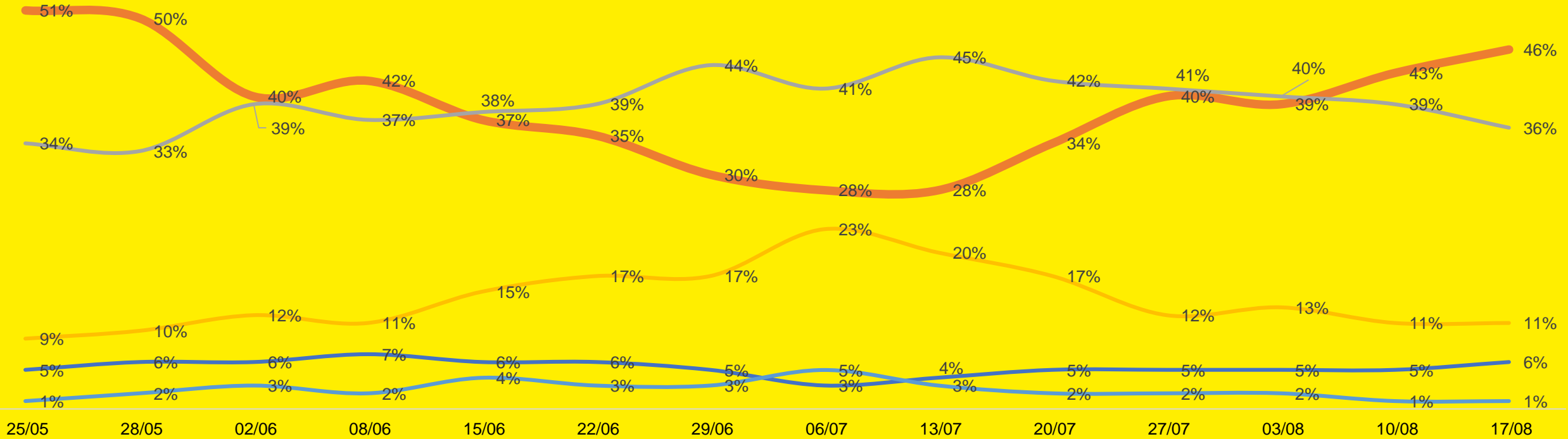
Which of the following will you continue after Coronavirus?



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Socially Distanced

Which of the following best describes the extent to which you think people in general are following the social distancing guidelines?



- Almost everybody is following the guidelines
- It's about 50/50 in terms of people following the guidelines
- Almost nobody is following the guidelines

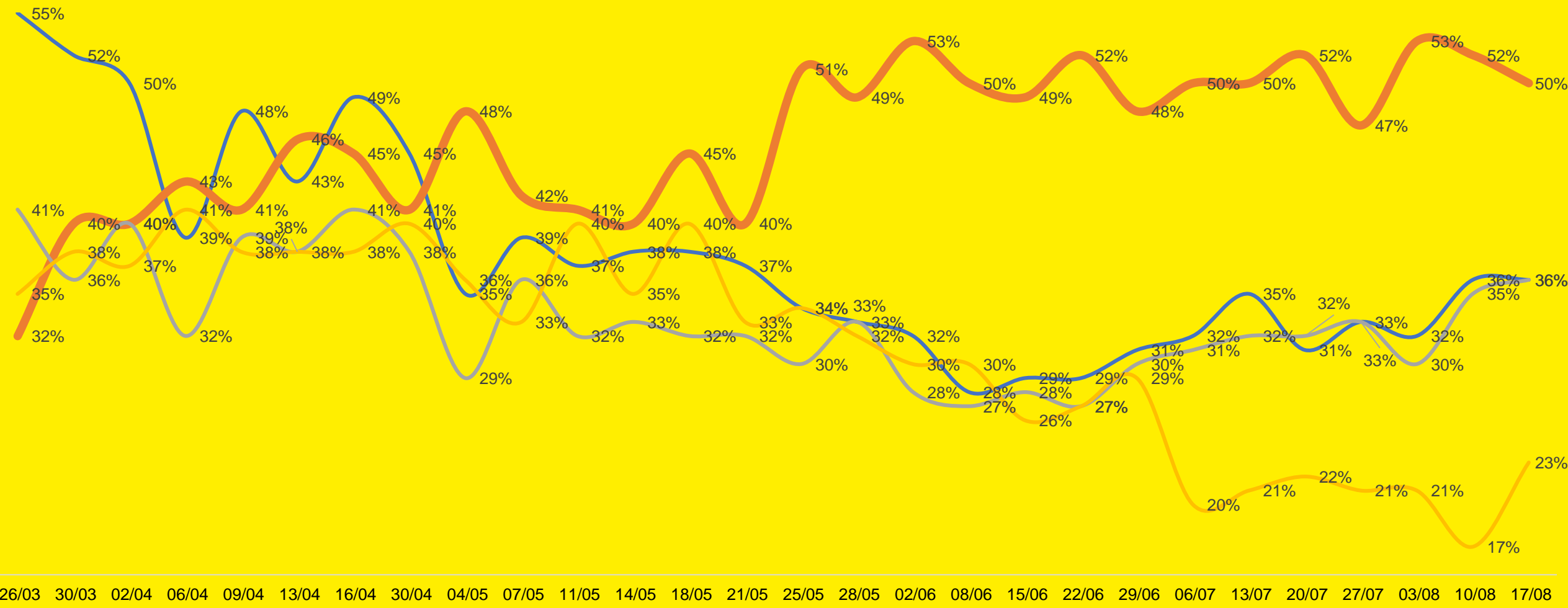
- Most people are following the guidelines
- Most people are not following the guidelines



Emotional Wellbeing

Emotional Wellbeing – I

Did you experience any of these feelings a lot of the day yesterday? Select all that apply:



—Worry

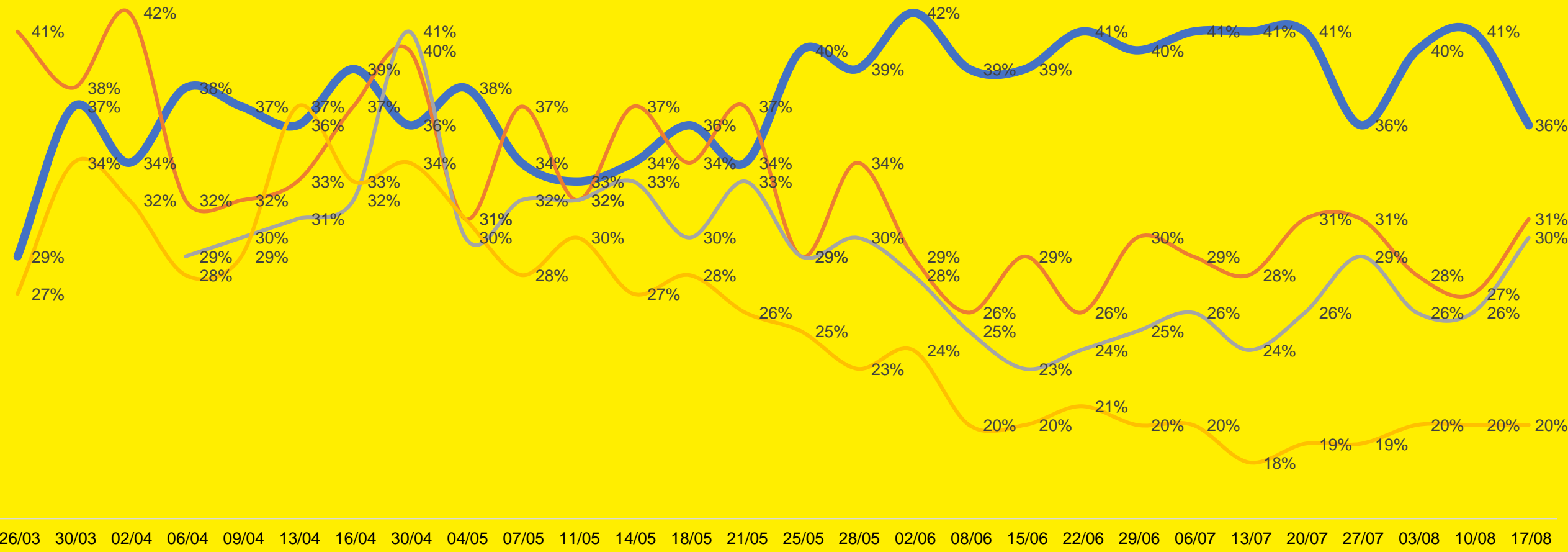
—Enjoyment

—Anxiety

—Boredom

Emotional Wellbeing – II

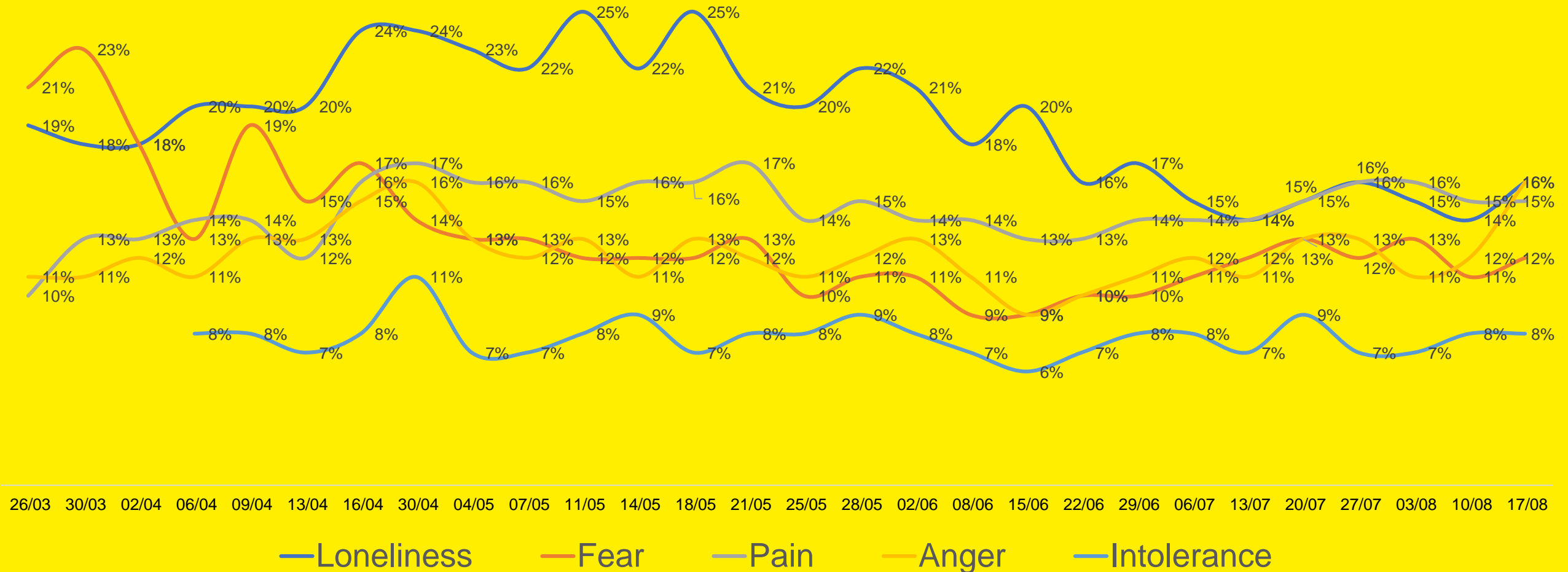
Did you experience any of these feelings a lot of the day yesterday? Select all that apply:



— Happiness — Stress — Frustration — Sadness

Emotional Wellbeing – III

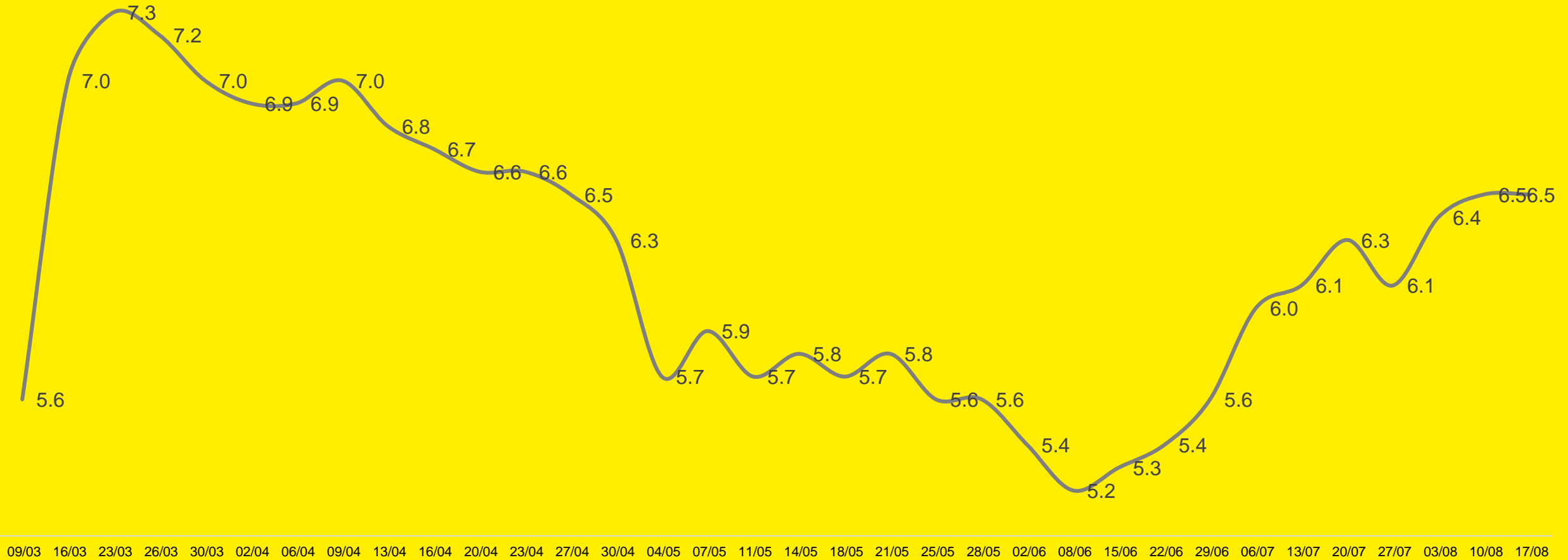
Did you experience any of these feelings a lot of the day yesterday? Select all that apply:



Risk Perceptions

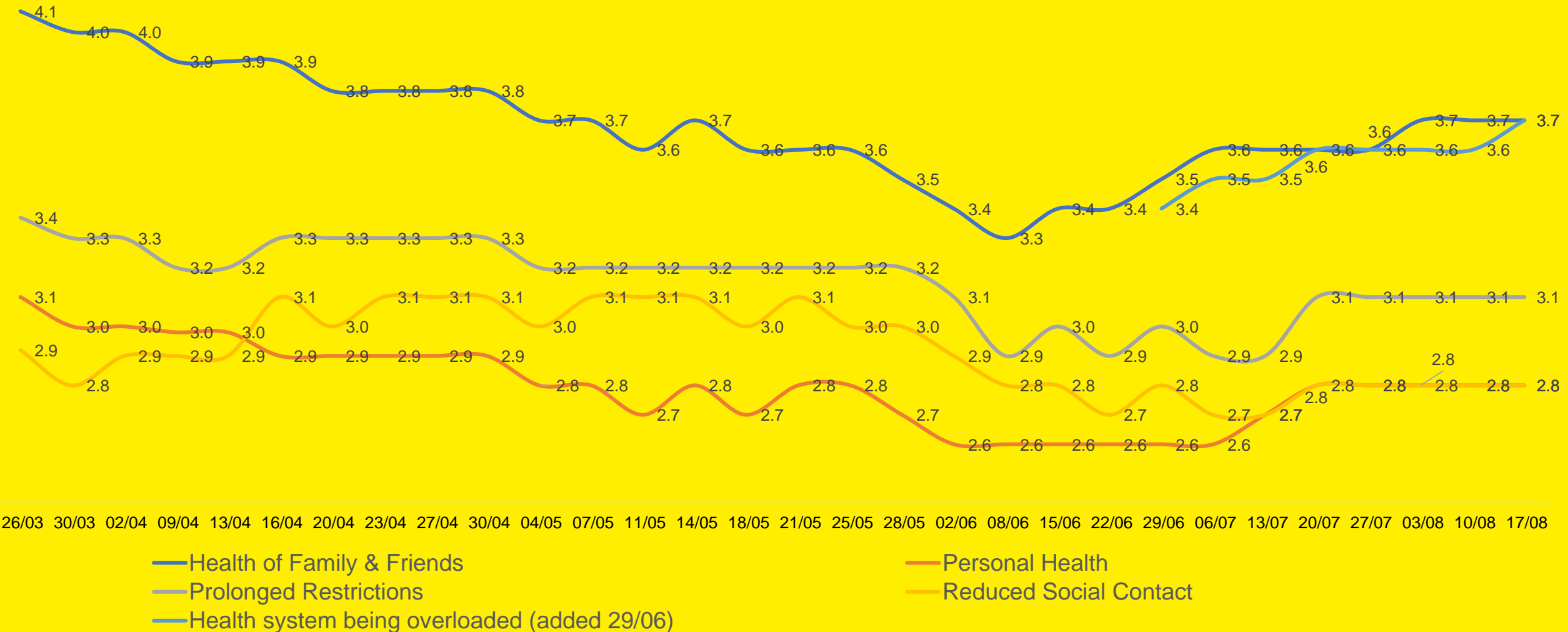
Still Worried?

How worried are you personally about the Coronavirus? On a scale of 1 to 10 where 1 is not at all worried and 10 is extremely worried: Average Score



Sources of Worry – I

Please indicate the extent to which any of the following is a current source of worry?
On a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 is not at all and 5 is a great deal: Average Score



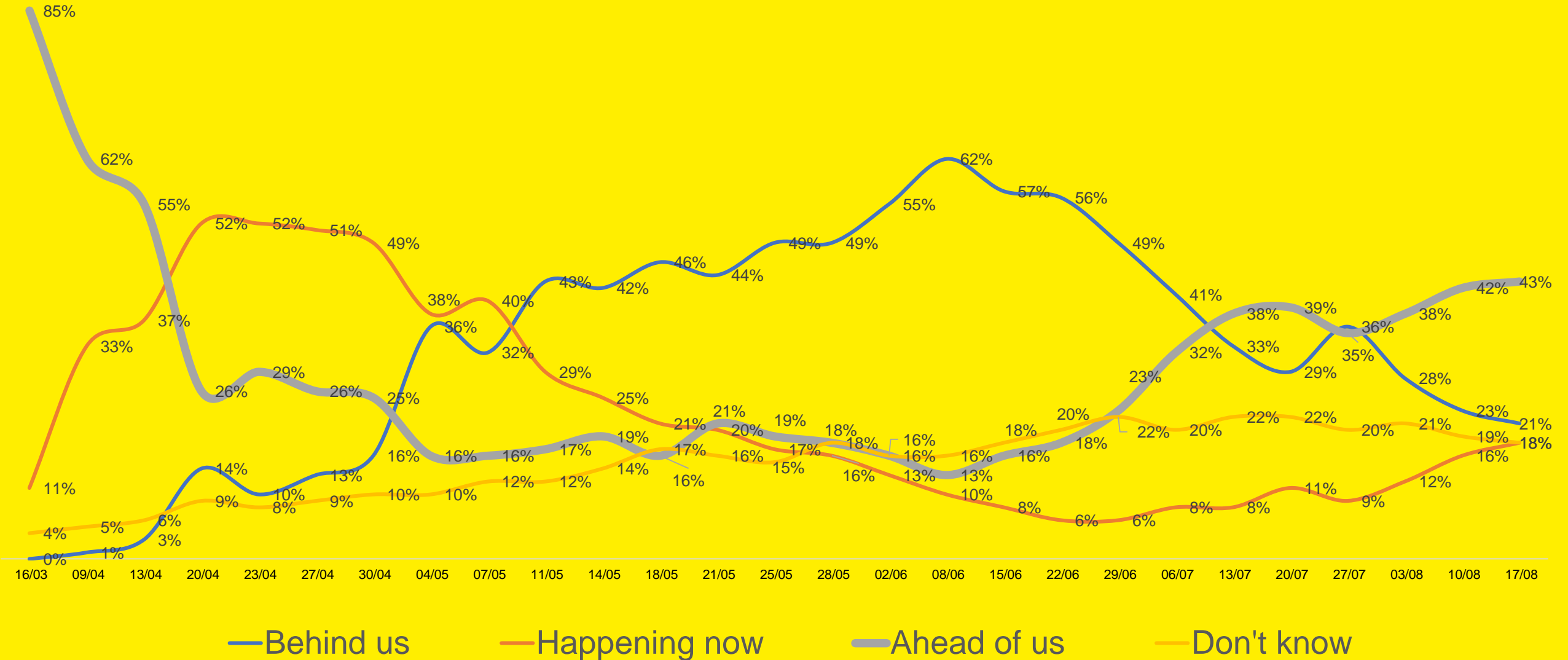
Sources of Worry – II

Please indicate the extent to which any of the following is a current source of worry?
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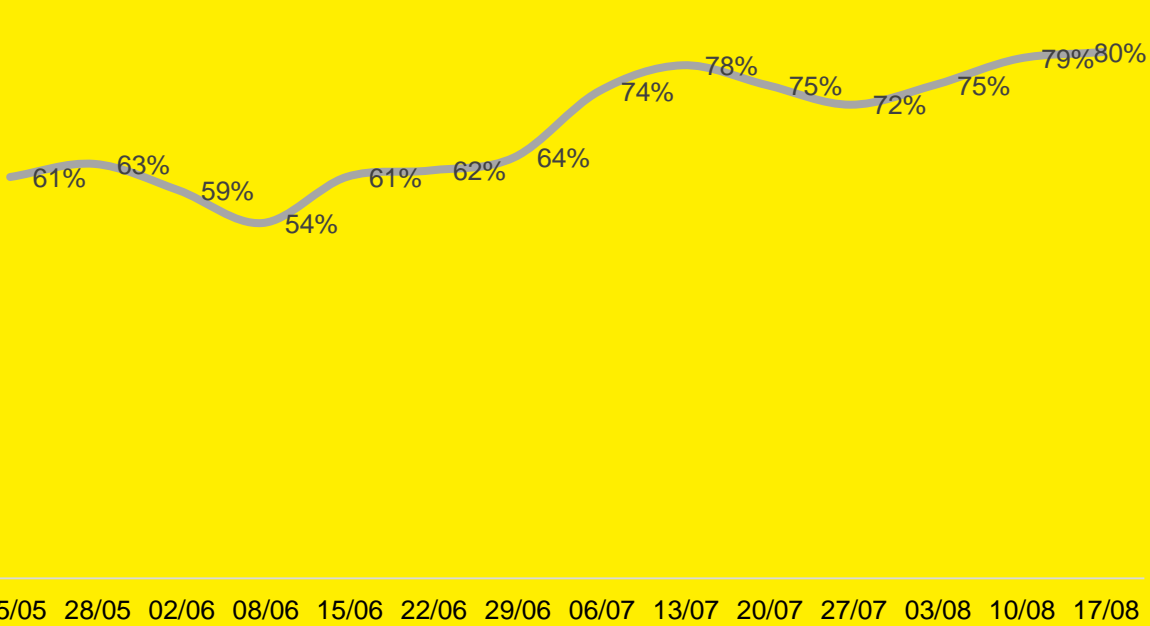
Pandemic Stage

Do you feel that the worst of the Coronavirus crisis in Ireland is:



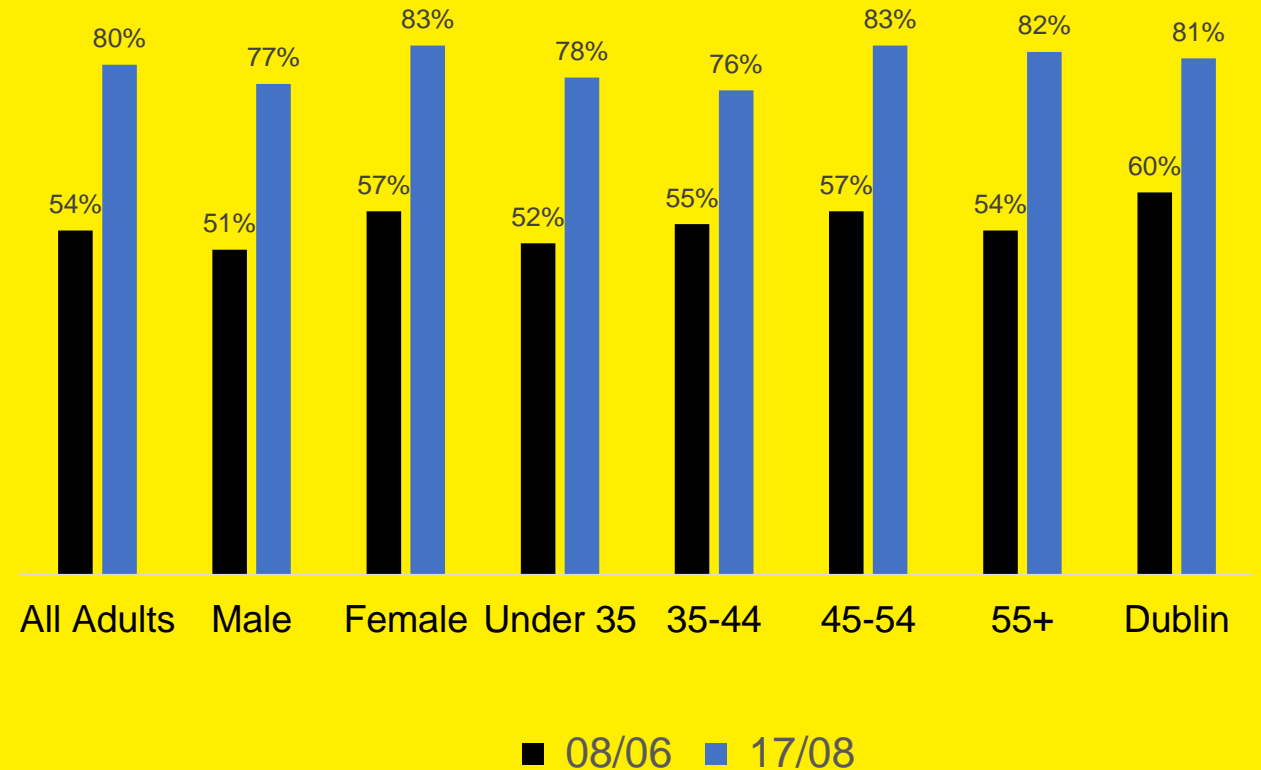
A Second Wave

How likely do you think it is that Ireland will experience a second wave of COVID-19 infections? On a scale of 1 to 7 where 1 is 'very unlikely' and 7 is 'very likely': % 5-7



A Second Wave

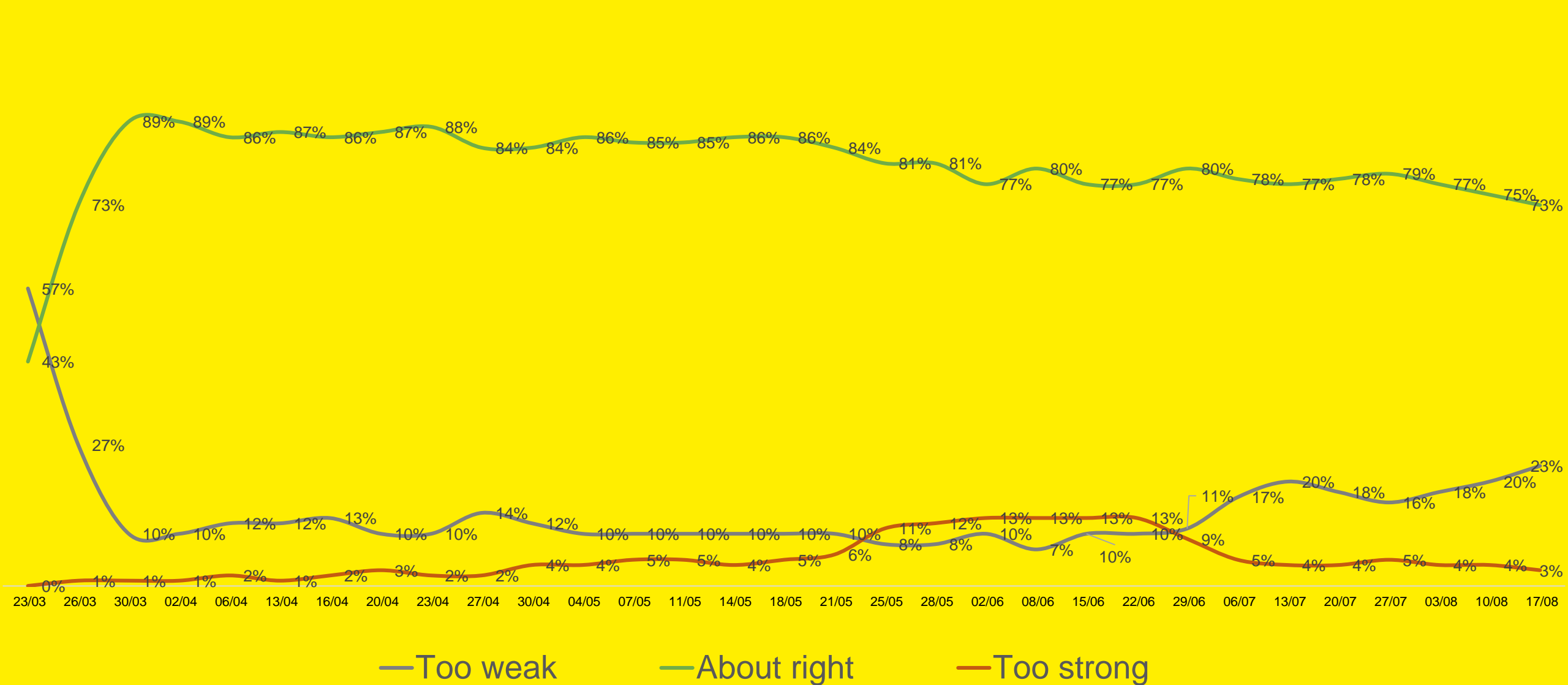
Demographics: % 5-7



Policy Preferences

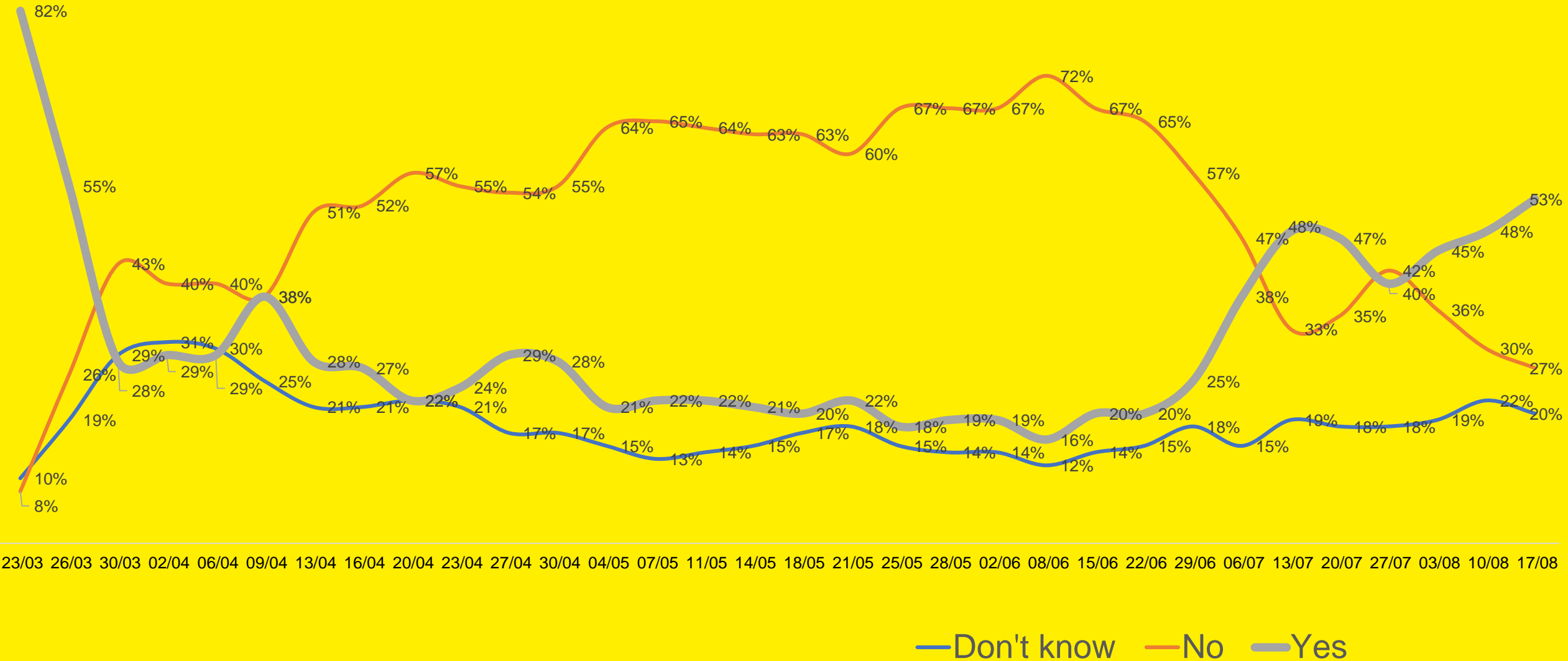
Social Distancing

Do you think the current government measures on social distancing are:



Go Further?

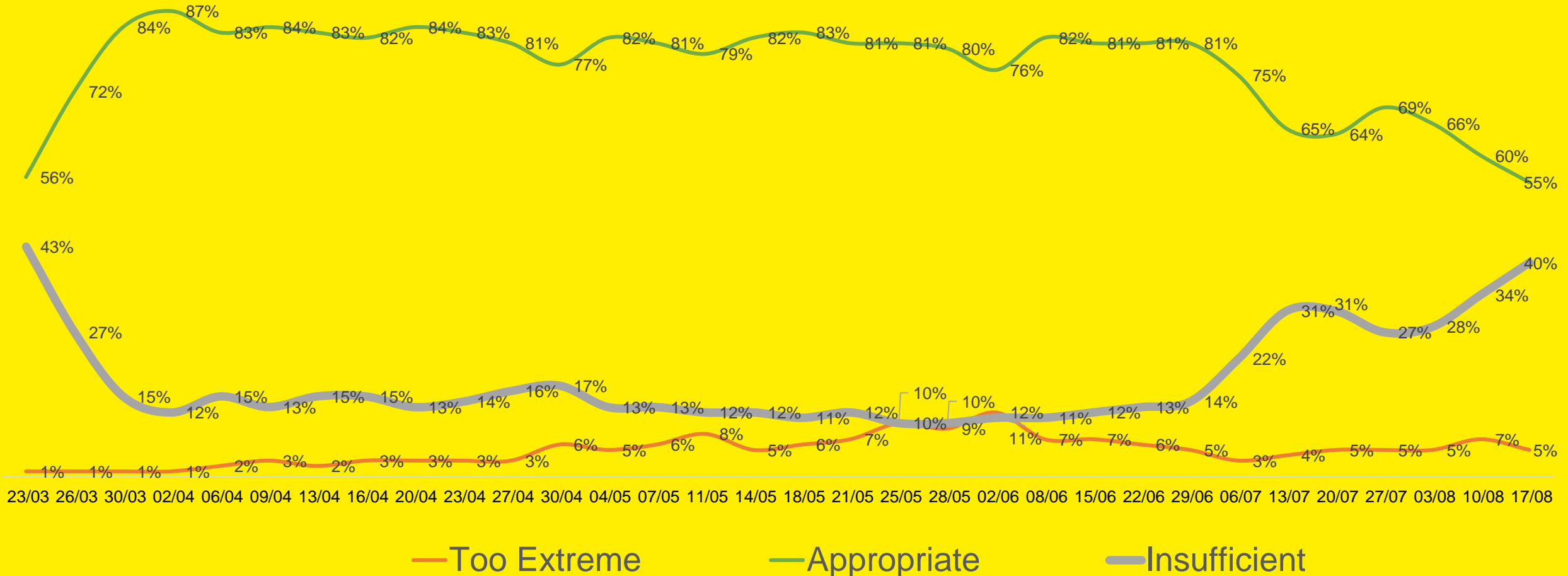
Do you think there should be more restrictions?



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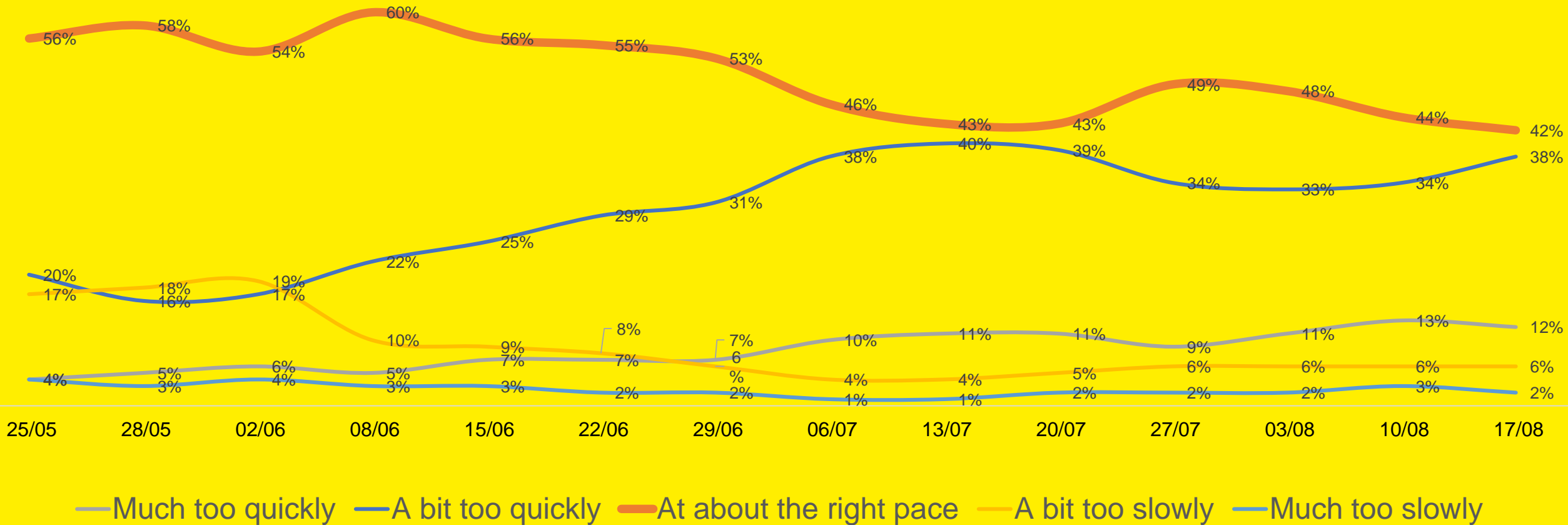
Going Too Far?

Do you think the reaction of the government to the current coronavirus outbreak is appropriate too extreme or not sufficient?



Returning to Normal

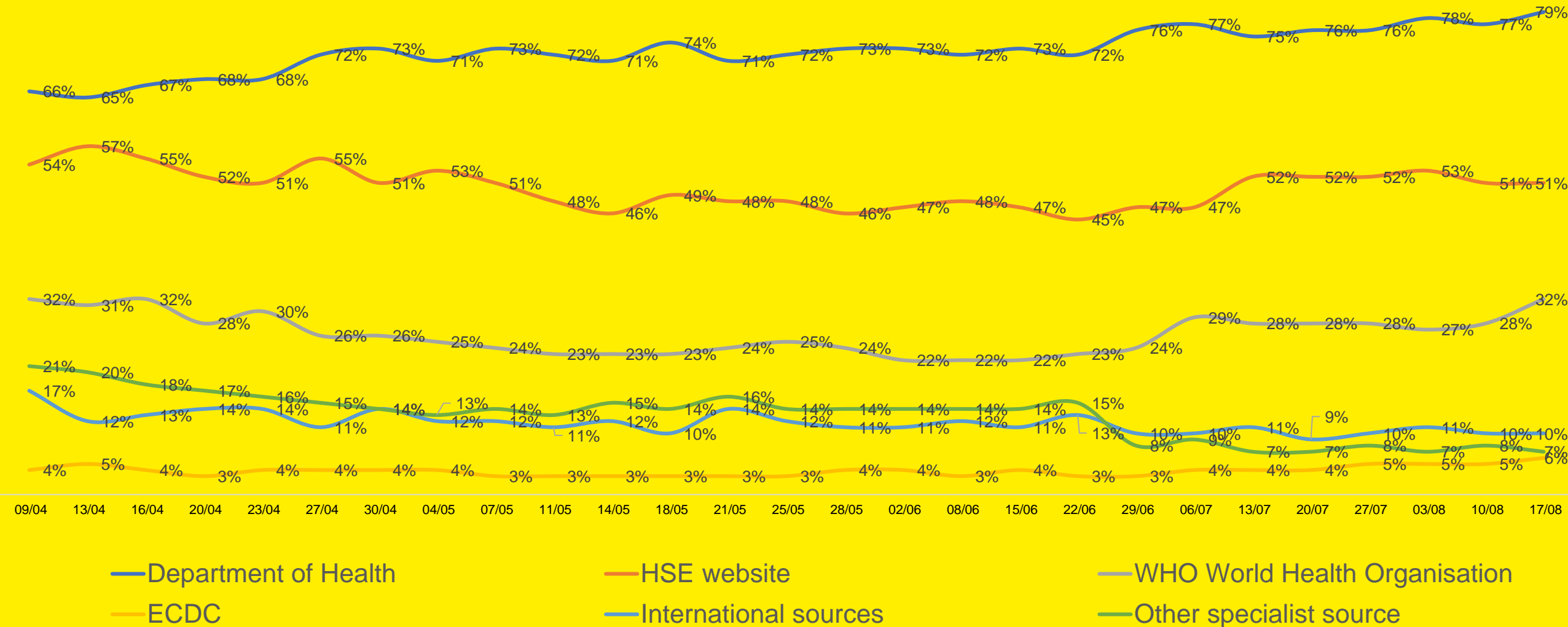
On balance, do you think that Ireland is trying to return to normal:



Information & Communications

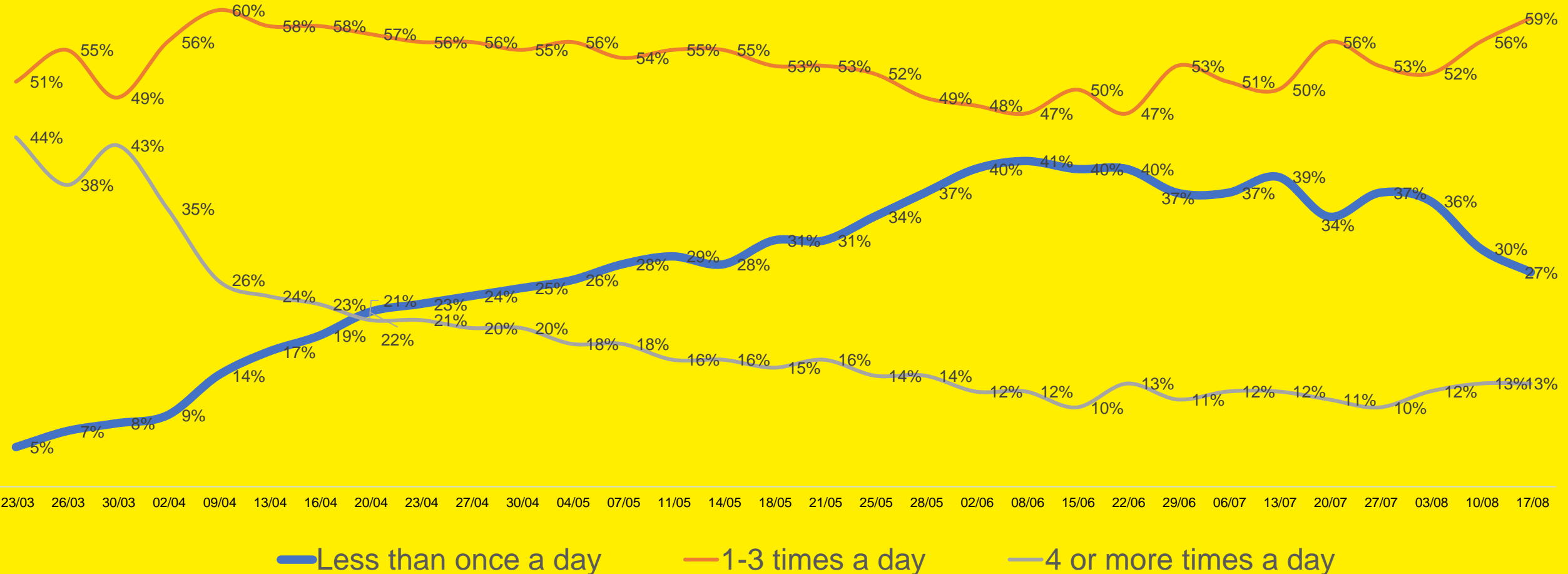
Covid-19 Information Sources

Where are you currently getting trusted information on Covid-19 from?



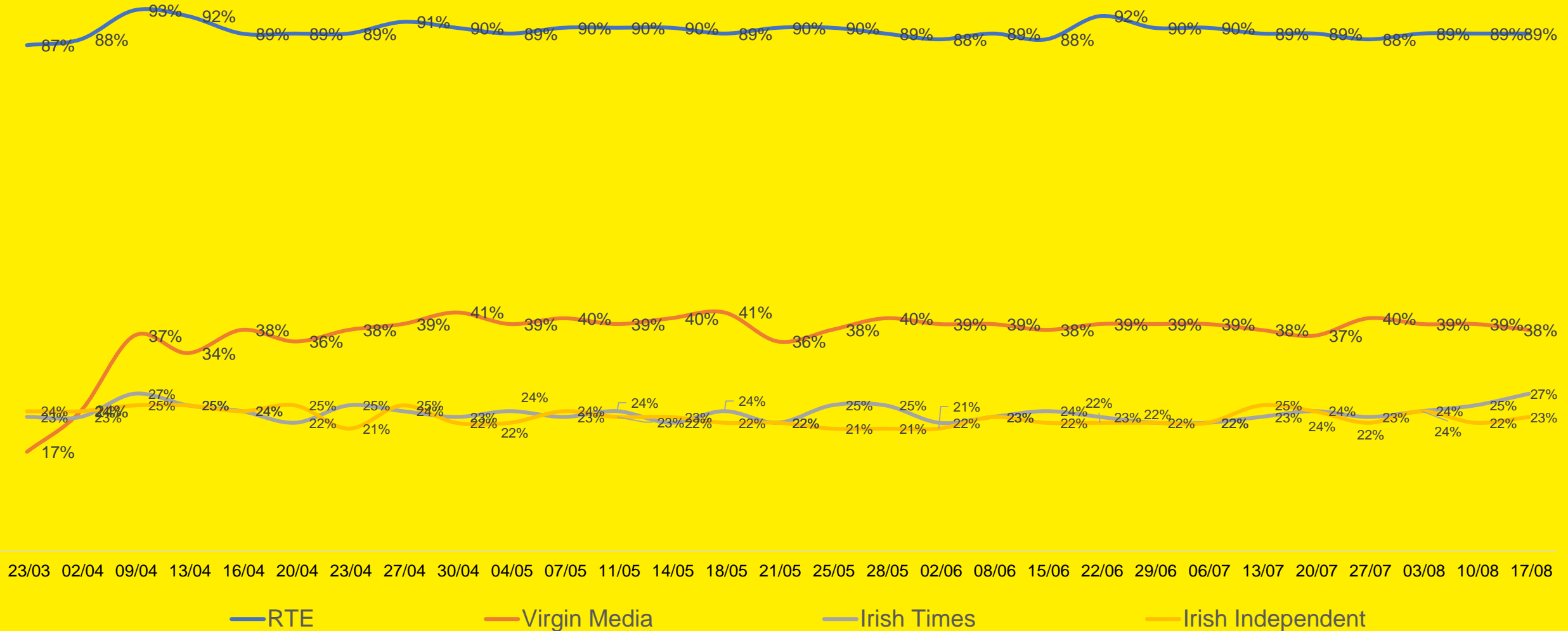
Media Consumption

How often are you checking the news about Coronavirus (on TV, radio the internet apps etc)?



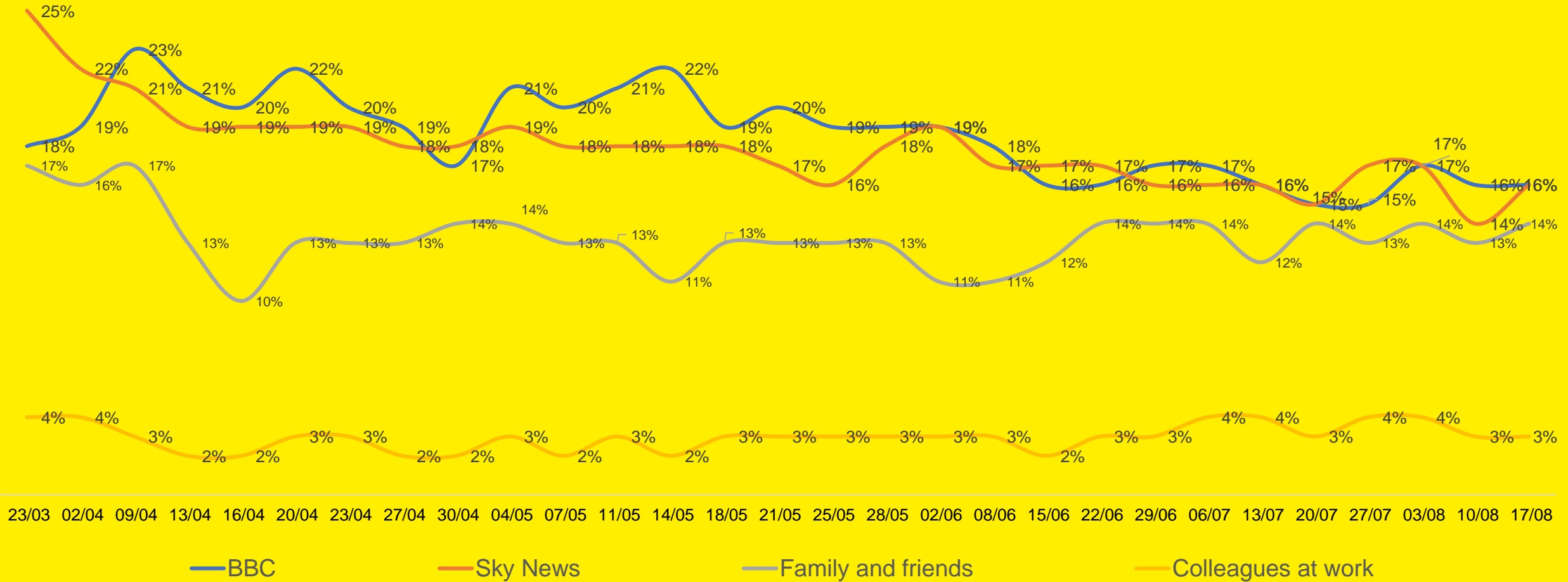
News Sources – I

What are the main media sources through which you access information on the Coronavirus: % Any Mentions (in top 3)



News Sources – II

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News Sources – III

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