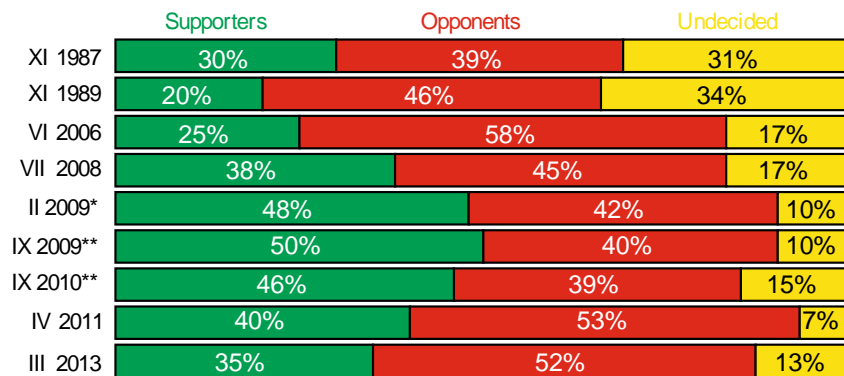


## OPINIONS ABOUT NUCLEAR ENERGY

Since the nuclear power station disaster in Fukushima in March 2011, Poles have been more sceptical about nuclear energy than in earlier years. The idea of building a nuclear power station in Poland is rejected by a larger group than the proportion of respondents approving of it. Over half (52%) are opposed to building nuclear power stations in Poland, while slightly more than one-third (35%) would accept them. Comparing current results with earlier surveys indicates that in the years 2009-2010 acceptance prevailed over scepticism. Since 2011, about half of Poles have been negative about this idea. Compared with 2011, there has been a drop in the number of supporters of nuclear energy.

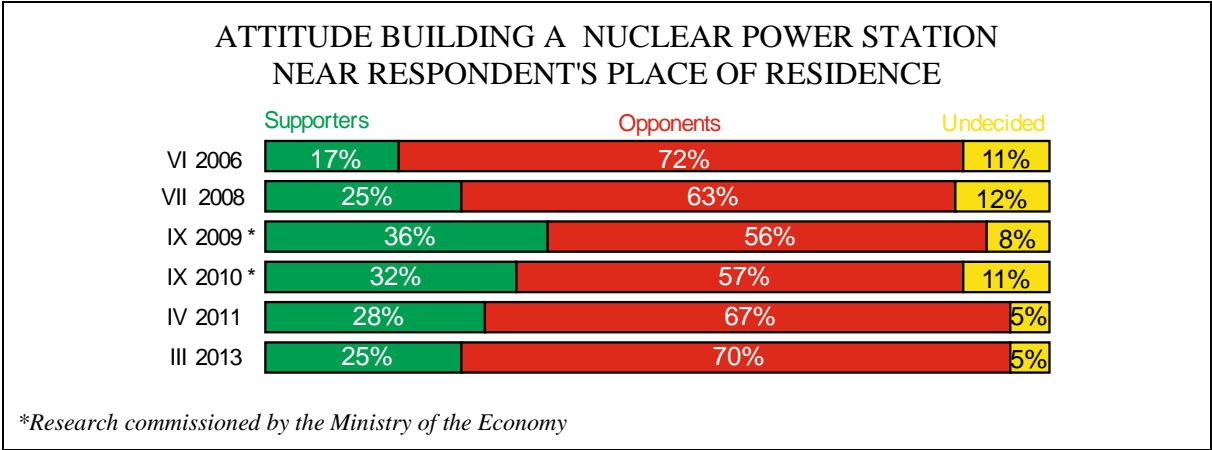
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Rejection becomes clearer still if the question is about building a nuclear power station near respondent's place of residence. In such case 70% would oppose building such a facility, while a quarter (25%) would support it. In only one past survey, in 2006, was the proportion of respondents disagreeing with the idea of building a nuclear power station close to their place of residence higher than presently. In 2009 the acceptance of nuclear facility in the vicinity was highest so far (36%). Since then, it has continuously decreased.



More information about this topic can be found in CBOS report in Polish: "Attitude to nuclear energy and shale gas extraction", April 2013. Fieldwork for national sample: March 2013, N=1060. The random address sample is representative for adult population of Poland.