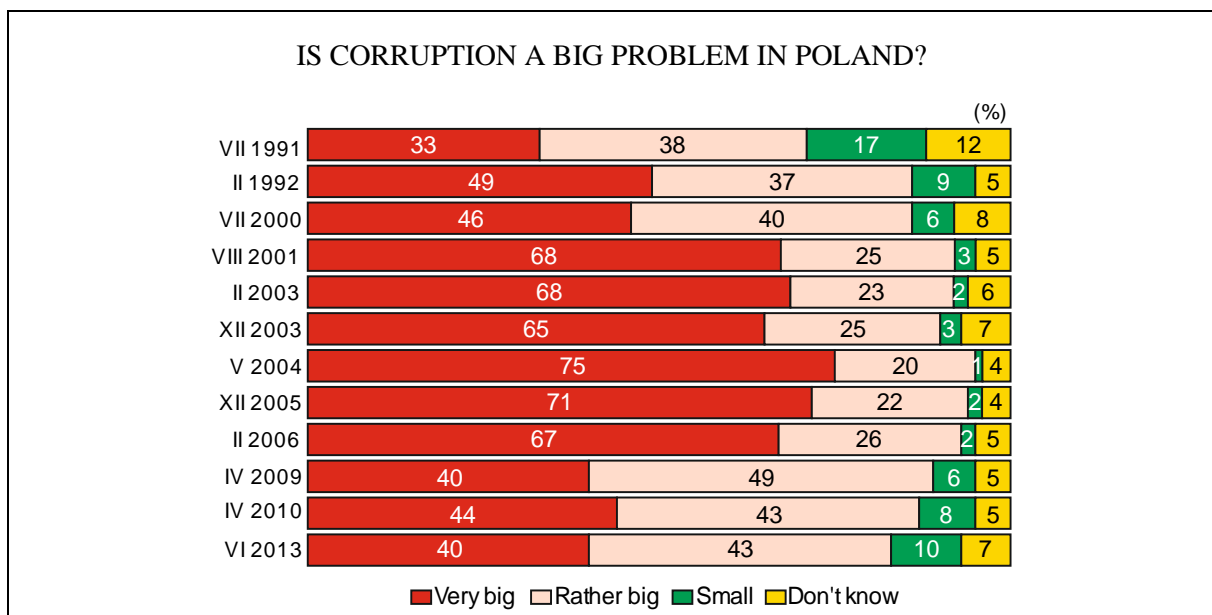


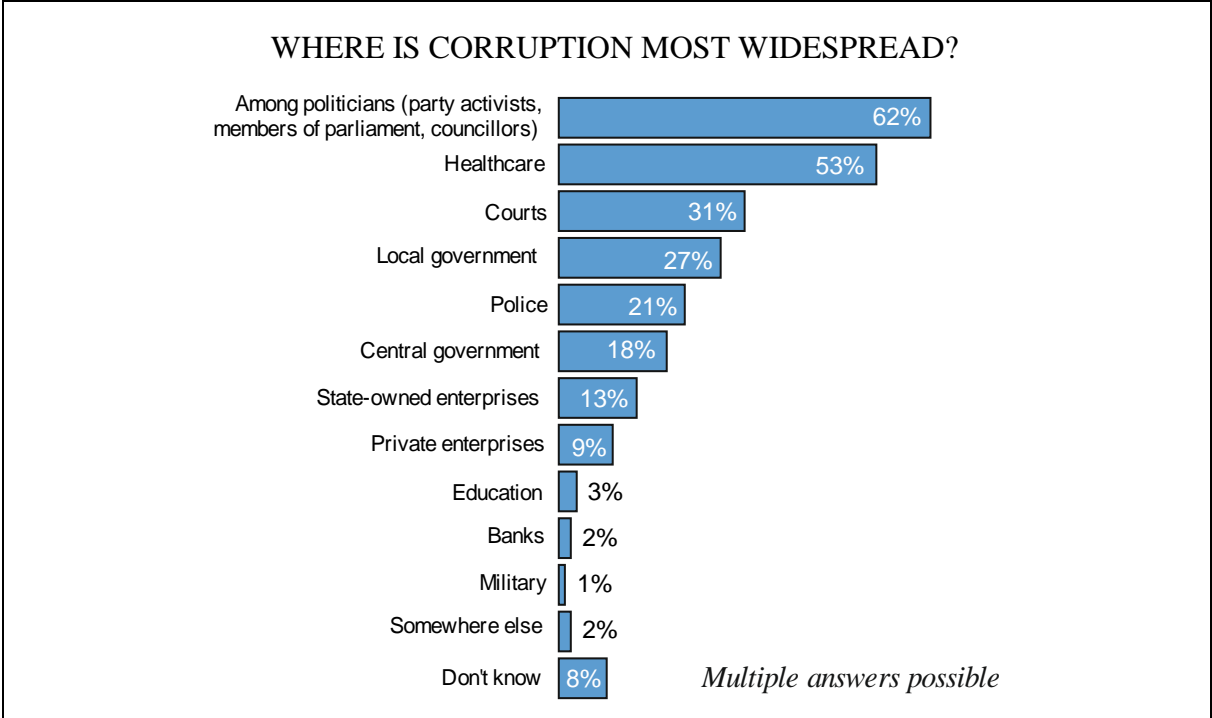
## ATTITUDE TO CORRUPTION

In last year's edition of the Corruption Perception Index, compiled by Transparency International and covering 174 countries, Poland was rated 41st in the world in terms of transparency and honesty of the public sphere. The rank was the same as in 2011.

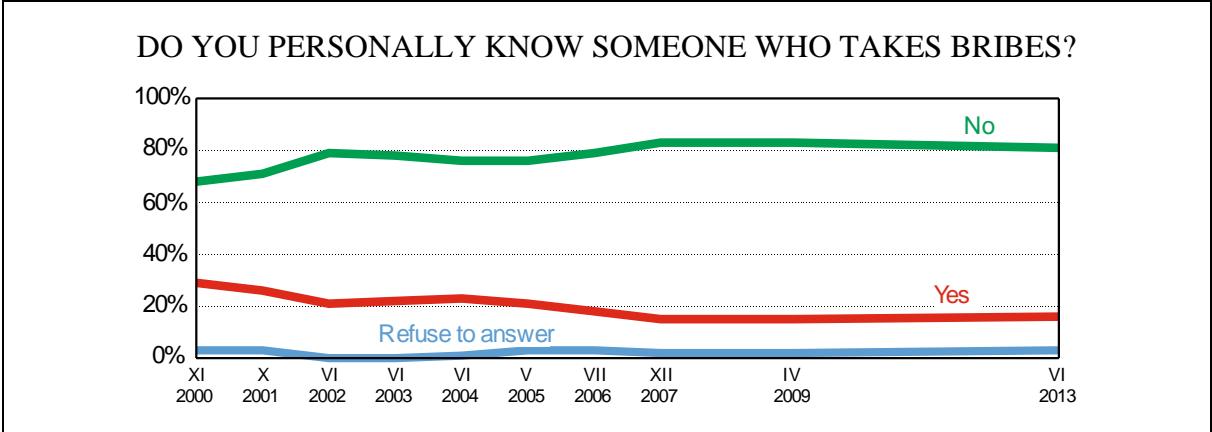
Public opinion in Poland is aware of the problem of corruption. A vast majority of respondents (83%) believe that corruption in the public sphere is a problem, in which two-fifths (40%) think it is a very pressing concern. Only one in ten (10%) considers corruption to be insignificant. The belief that corruption is a significant issue is less widespread than in the previous decade, in particular in years 2001-2006.



In public opinion, corruption is most widespread in politics, among party activists, members of parliament and local councillors (62%). Over half (53%) think that corrupt practices are commonplace in healthcare institutions. One-third (31%) attribute such irregularities to courts and other legal institutions. Over a quarter (27%) think that this problem is characteristic of local government officials, while less than one-fifth (18%) see it among employees of central administration and in ministries.

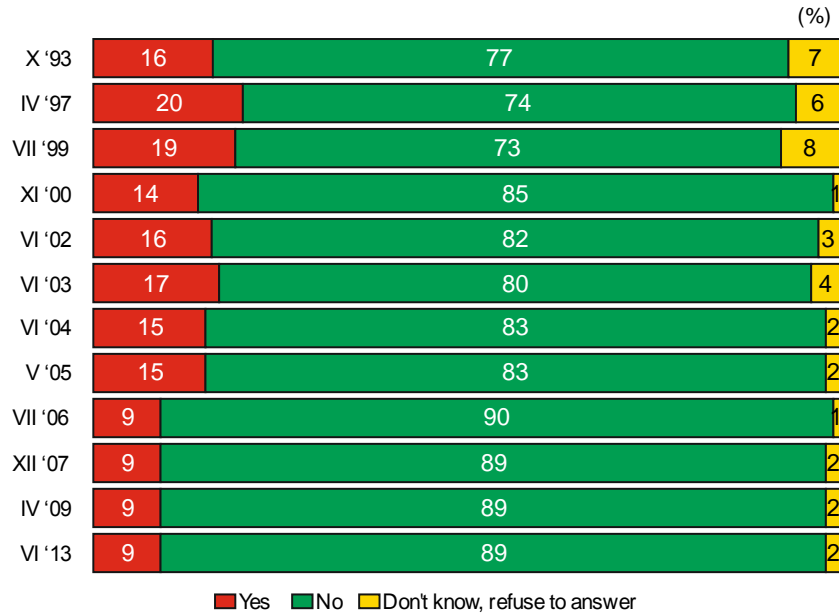


At present, every sixth respondent (16%) declares knowing someone who takes bribes. In the last six years, this proportion has remained virtually unchanged. It has diminished significantly since 2000, when CBOS first asked this question. It was 29% then.



According to declarations, one in eleven Poles (9%) offered a bribe in the last three-four years. The proportion of respondents admitting giving bribes fell from 15% to 9% in 2006 and it has remained stable ever since.

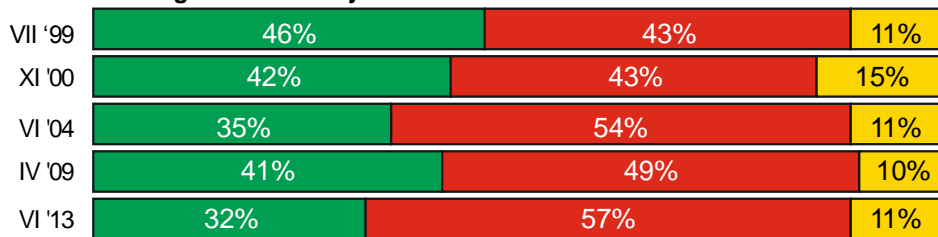
IN THE LAST 3-4 YEARS, DID IT EVER HAPPEN THAT YOU WERE FORCED TO GIVE A BRIBE?



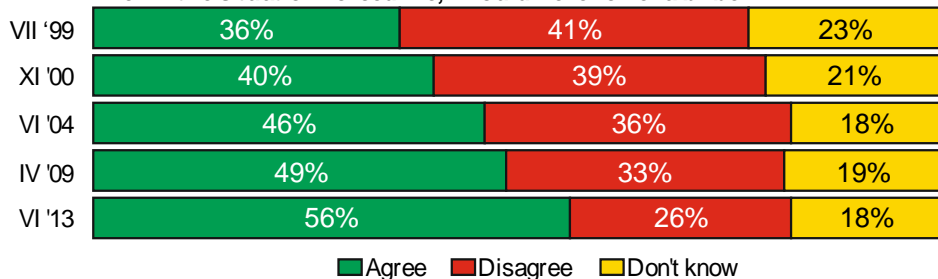
The attitudes to corruption have become more restrictive in the last several years. The proportion of respondents who believe that bribery can be justified in some circumstances has decreased, with a corresponding increase in the number of people claiming they would never give a bribe, whatever the circumstances.

DO YOU AGREE WITH THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT:

**Offering bribes can be justified in some circumstances**



**Even if the situation forced me, I would never offer a bribe**



More information about this topic can be found in CBOS reports in Polish: "Opinions about corruption in Poland", "Attitude to corruption and personal experience", July 2013. Fieldwork for national sample: June 2013, N=1010. The random address sample is representative for adult population of Poland.