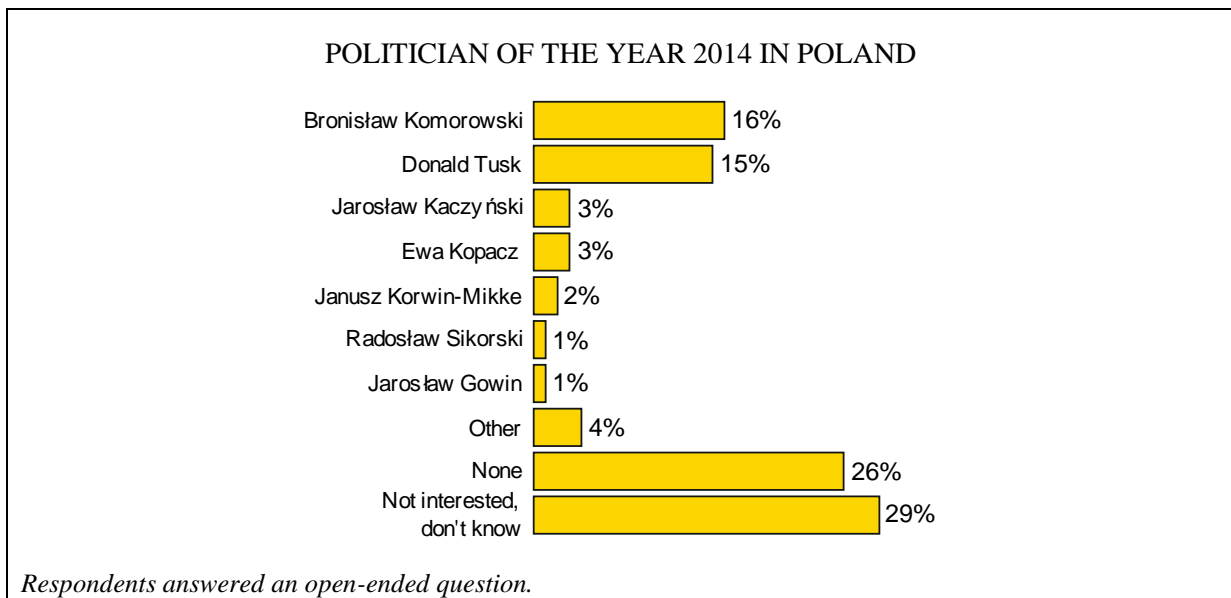
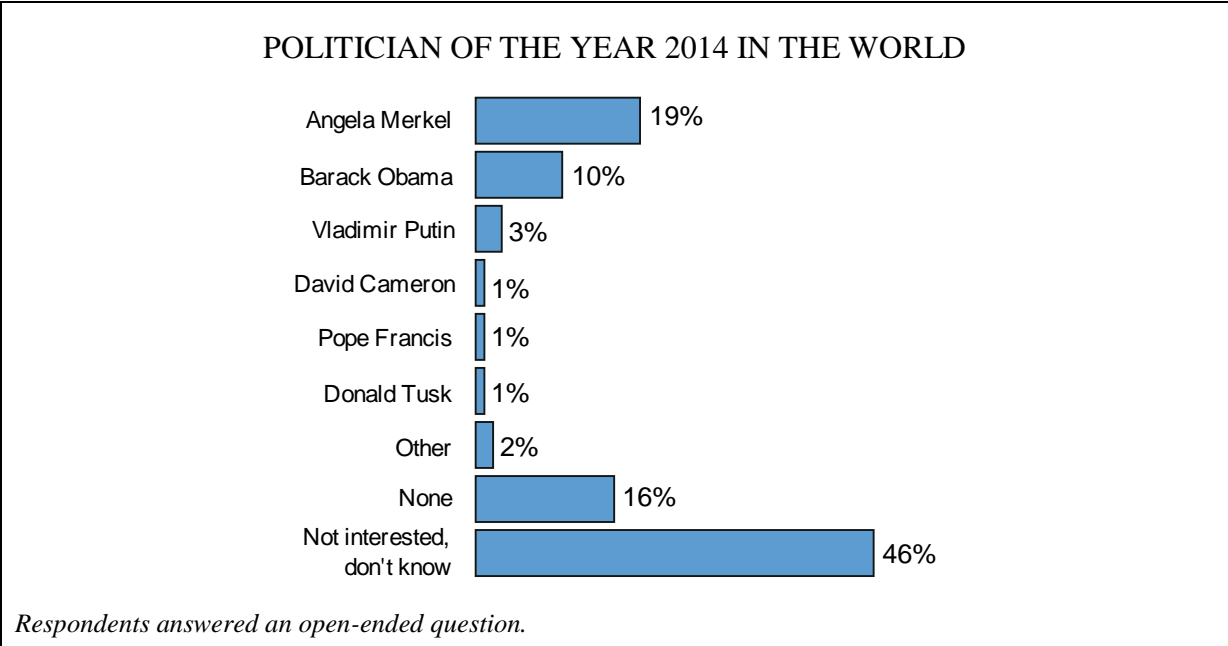


POLITICIAN OF THE YEAR IN POLAND AND IN THE WORLD

Poles awarded the title of the politician of the year 2014 to president Bronisław Komorowski (16%). He has enjoyed the highest trust of all politicians in recent years, and was voted the politician of the year in previous years as well. In the second place, within a very small distance, is Donald Tusk, the former prime Minister and currently president of the European Council (15%). Clearly, his international career, founded on his reputation among European politicians and the public opinion in Western Europe, improved his ratings in Poland. Last year, only 2% indicated him as the politician of the year. The third place, with a large distance to the first two, is shared by Ewa Kopacz, the Prime Minister of the PO-PSL (Civic Platform-Peasant Party) coalition government, and Jarosław Kaczyński, the leader of the main opposition party (3% each). Over half of respondents (55%) were not able to mention any politician worthy of this title.



On the international scene, the title of the politician of the year goes to Angela Merkel, the Chancellor of Germany (19%). She has been voted the world politician of the year for the seventh time: in 2006, 2007 and in 2010-2014. In the second place, with a rating almost half as high, is the US president Barack Obama (10%). These two politicians are far ahead of all other world politicians in the view of the Polish public opinion. International events tend to attract less attention than the national political scene, so it is no surprise that 62% of respondents failed to mention any foreign politician.



More information about this topic can be found in CBOS report in Polish: *"Politician of the year 2014 in Poland and in the world"*, December 2014. Fieldwork for national sample: December 2014, N=936. The random address sample is representative for adult population of Poland.