

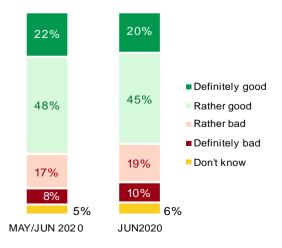
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Evaluation of government activities during the epidemic

The first case of Covid-19 in Poland was confirmed on March 4. The government response to the emergence of the coronavirus was immediate: from March 14, the operation of shopping malls, restaurants and entertainment venues was restricted, borders were closed from March 15, and the day after, schools and colleges closed. Although the epidemic has affected Poland less than many other European countries, and the daily increase in the number of infected people did not exceed 600 cases, so far there is no clear decrease in infections and the end is not in sight. Nevertheless, the process of lifting further restrictions and freeing the economy is ongoing. However, compliance with sanitary restrictions is still mandatory, including maintaining social distance.

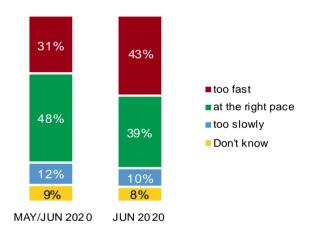
In general, how do you evaluate government's efforts to combat the coronavirus epidemic in Poland?



The majority of Poles (65%) assess the government's efforts to combat the coronavirus epidemic well. The opposite view is held by every fourth respondent (25%). In recent weeks, opinions about the effectiveness of government actions in the fight against the epidemic have deteriorated.

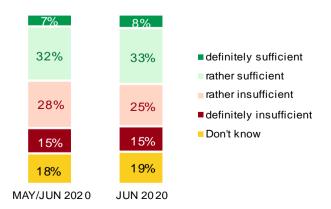
In recent weeks, concerns have increased over the pace of lifting restrictions related to the epidemic. The proportion of people convinced that the government eased restrictions too quickly increased from 31% to 43%. At the same time, the percentage of people who think it is done at the right pace decreased from 48% to 39%. Relatively few (10%) believe that restrictions are lifted too slowly.

In your opinion, does the government ease restrictions related to Covid-19...



In order to protect employers and employees from negative economic effects related to the pandemic, the government prepared a package of solutions: the so-called anti-crisis shield. The first regulations entered into force at the beginning of April, while the last, i.e. fourth package of solutions is effective from 24 June.

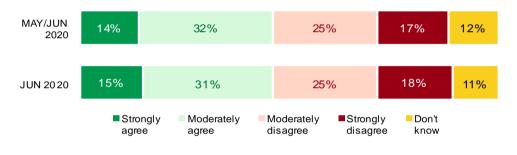
Are government actions to help Polish companies and their employees:



Opinions on the government activities aimed at helping Polish companies and their employees are divided. In total, 41% of respondents consider the government actions to be sufficient, almost as many (40%) believe that they are insufficient. The scale of support for Polish companies and their employees is currently rated slightly better than at the turn of May and June.

The conviction that policies of the current cabinet create opportunities for improving the economic situation is currently expressed by 46% of respondents, while 43% are sceptical about this.

Do you agree that the policy of the current government creates an opportunity to improve the economic situation?



More information about this topic can be found in CBOS report in Polish: "The Government and the Epidemic – Assessments in the Second Half of June", July 2020. Fieldwork for national sample: June 2020, N=1378. The random sample is representative for adult population of Poland.