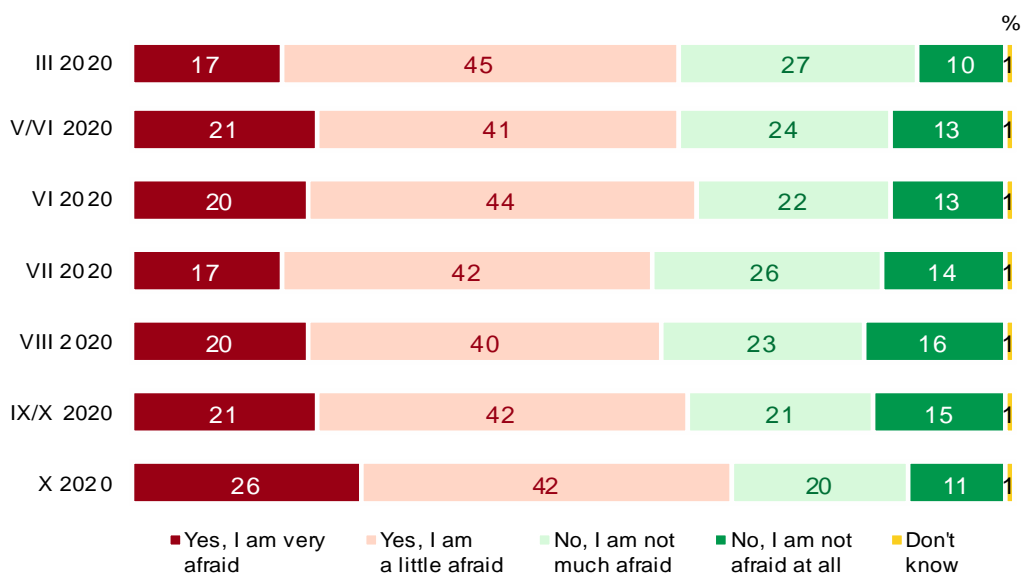


Coronavirus concerns and the assessment of government actions

In October, the number of confirmed cases of coronavirus infection in Poland increased sharply. Fears of coronavirus infection have also increased. The possibility of infection worries 68% of all Poles (5 percentage points more than at the turn of September and October), including strong concerns expressed by a fourth of respondents (26%, an increase by 5 points).

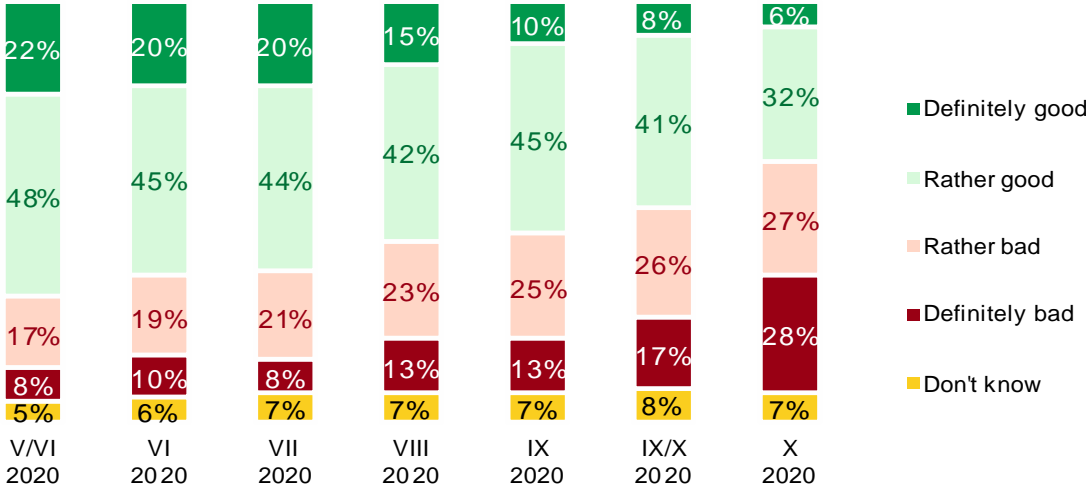
Are you personally afraid of contracting the coronavirus?



The level of fear of infection depends primarily on age. The older the respondents, the more they are worried about the possibility of contracting the virus. In recent weeks, concerns about infection among young people have also been growing. They are expressed by half of people under 35 years of age. Among those aged 55 and over, the vast majority (83% in total) fear it.

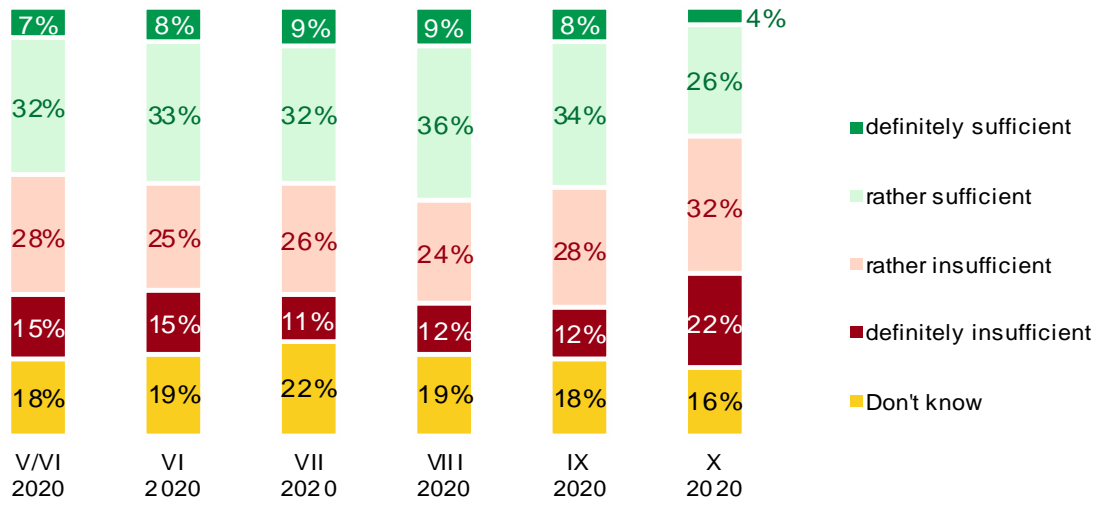
The increasing number of infections is reflected in evaluations of government work. Opinions about the government's effectiveness in fighting the epidemic have deteriorated significantly in recent weeks. In previous months, despite the continuous deterioration, the prevailing view about the government's actions to combat the epidemic was positive. Currently, opinions on this subject have reversed: the dominant view is that the government is dealing with the epidemic badly (55%). The government's efforts are appreciated by 38% of respondents.

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



The deterioration of the epidemic situation and increasing restrictions on economic activity necessitate further actions aimed at supporting enterprises and employees. While in September slightly more people assessed state aid for companies and employees as sufficient (42% in total) than insufficient (40%), now the perception of the situation of companies has clearly deteriorated. Only 30% of respondents believe that enterprises and employees receive sufficient support. More than half (54%) believe that the government's actions in this area are inadequate.

Are government actions to help Polish companies and their employees:



More information about this topic can be found in CBOS report in Polish: "Fear of Coronavirus and Evaluation of Government Actions", October 2020. Fieldwork for national sample: October 2020, N=1140. The random sample is representative for adult population of Poland.