

RBC Global Asset Management

2019 Responsible Investment Survey Key Findings

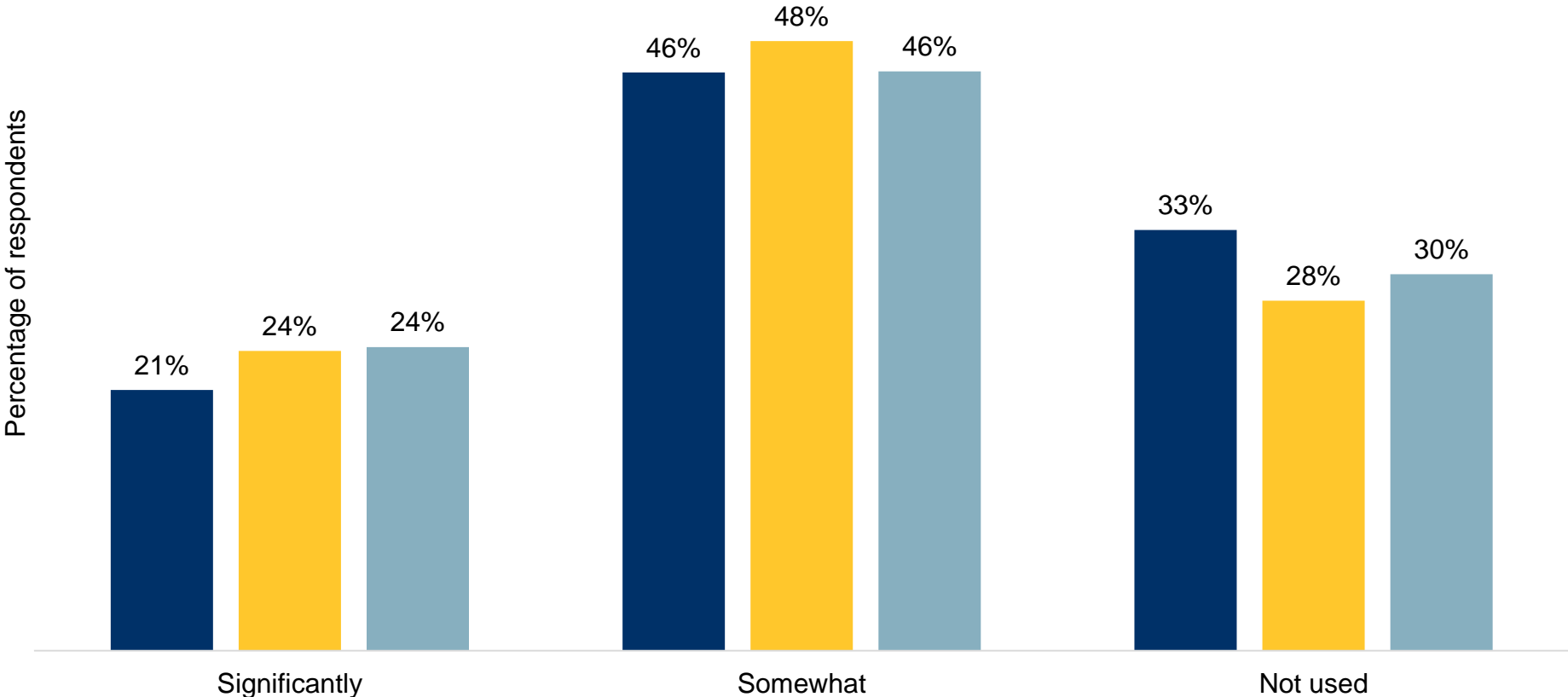
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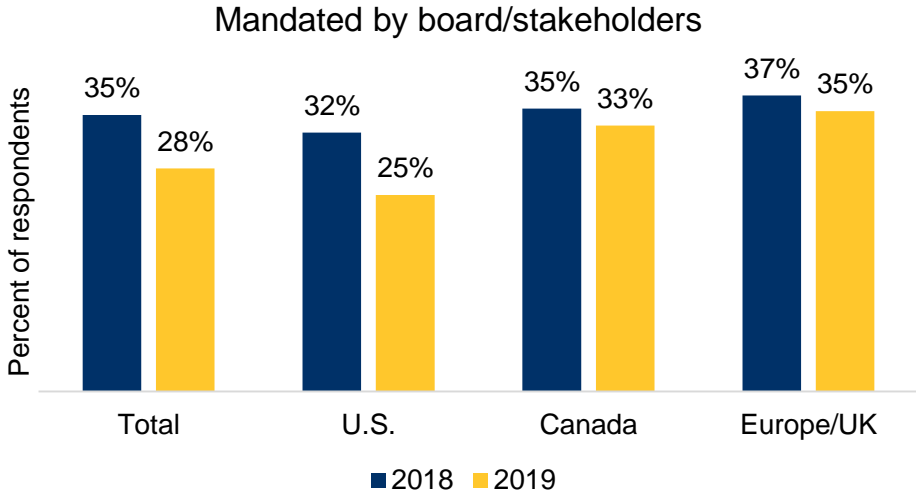
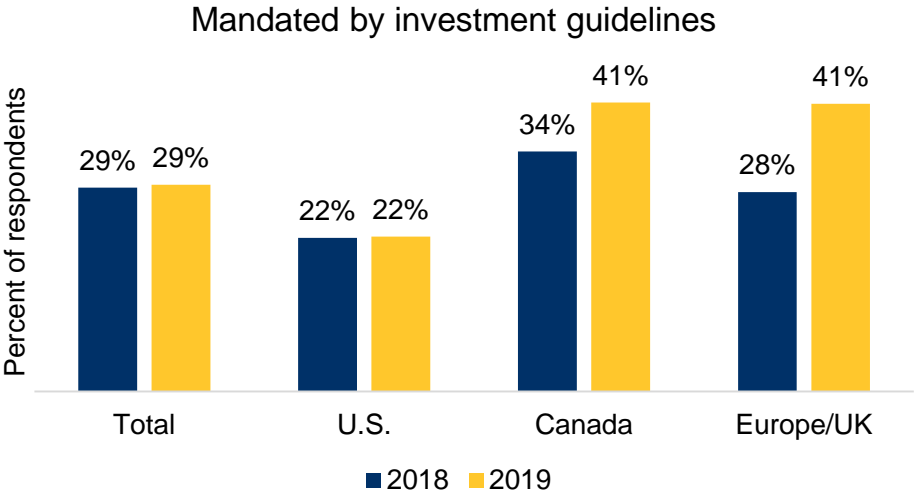
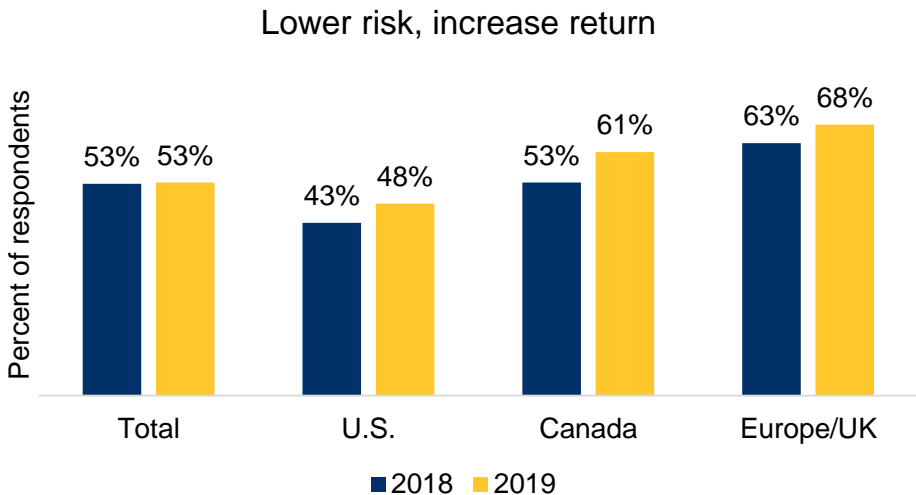
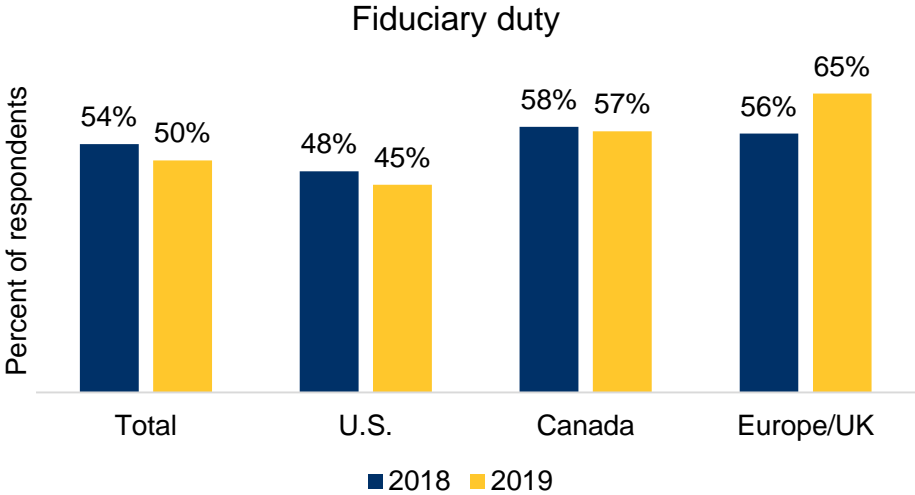
To what extent are ESG principles used as part of your investment approach and decision making?

(all respondents)

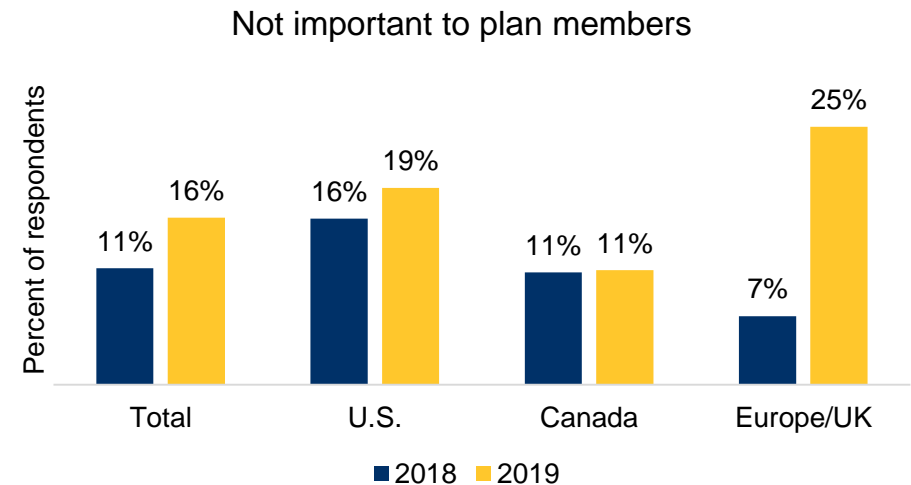
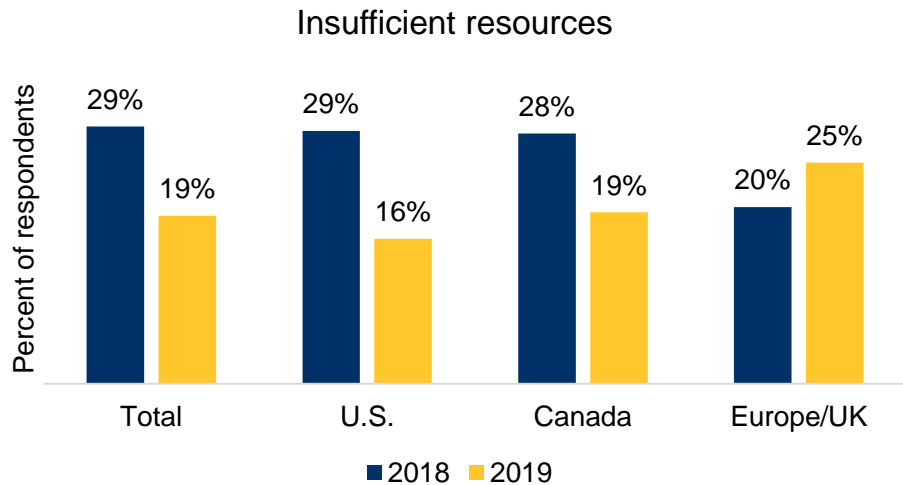
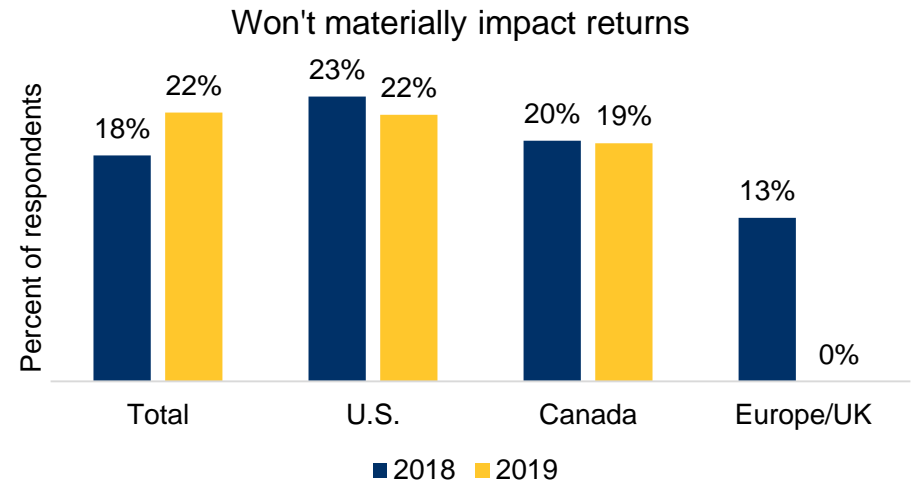
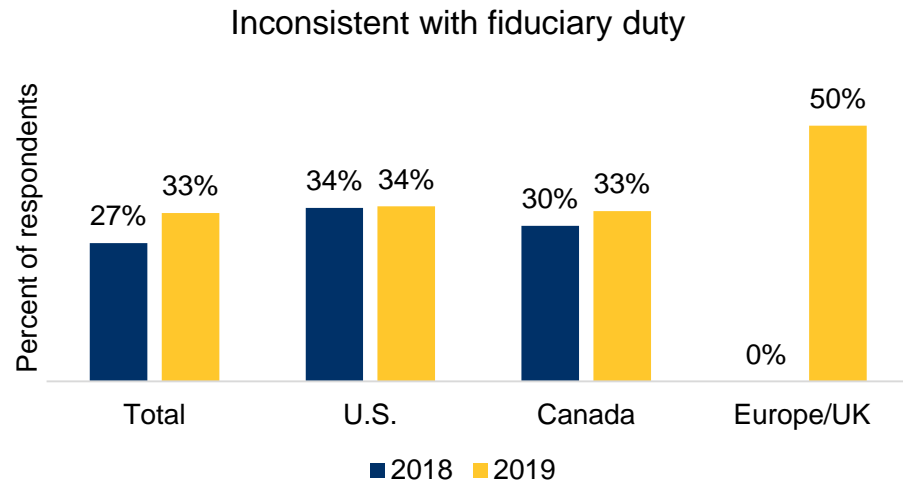
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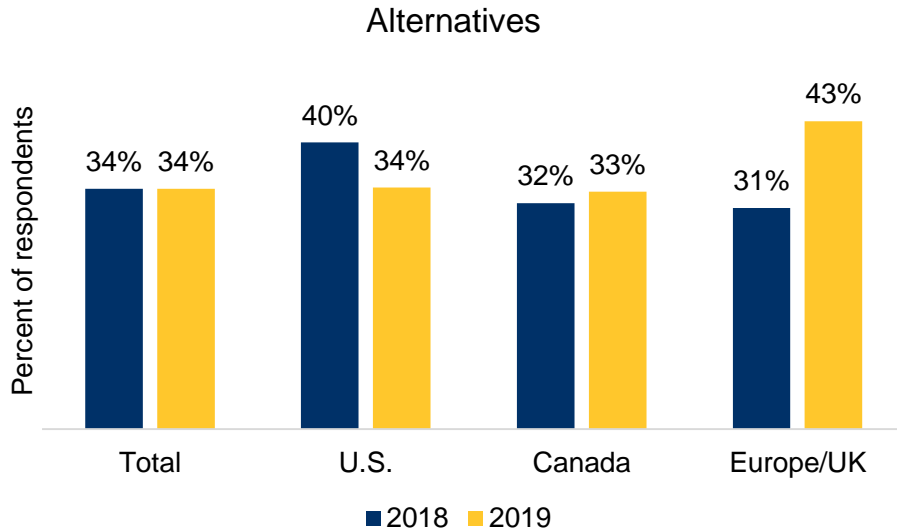
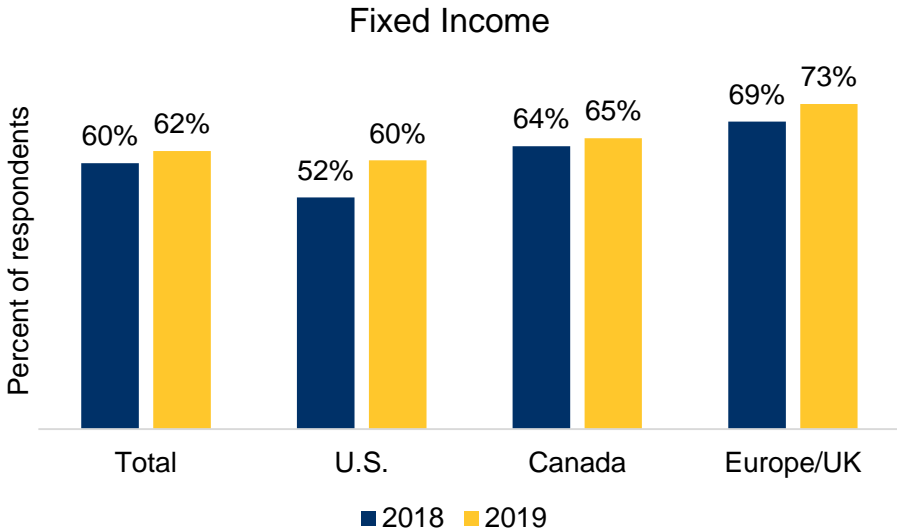
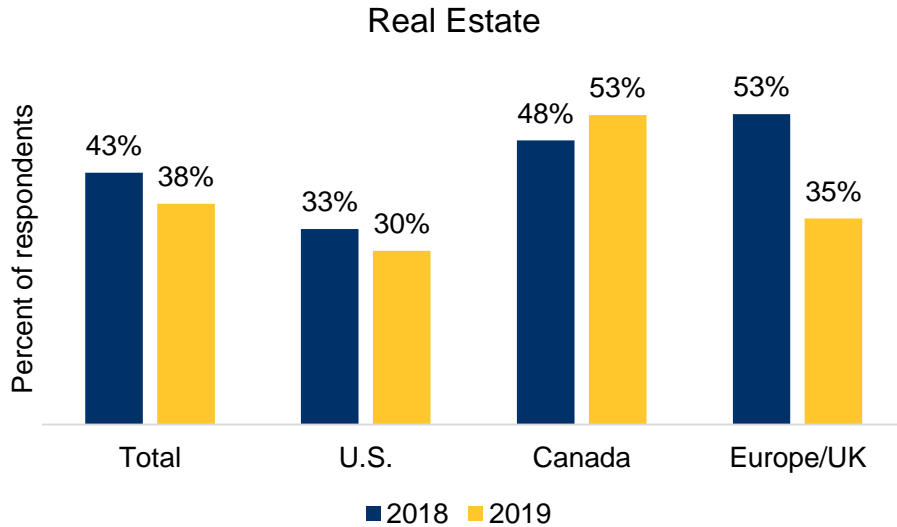
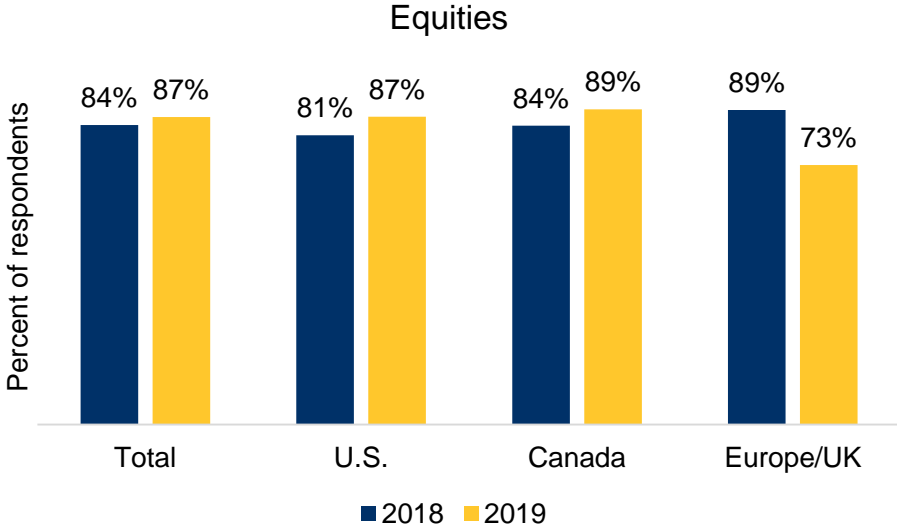
What are your reason(s) for incorporating ESG in your investment approach?



What are your reason(s) for not incorporating ESG factors in your investment approach?

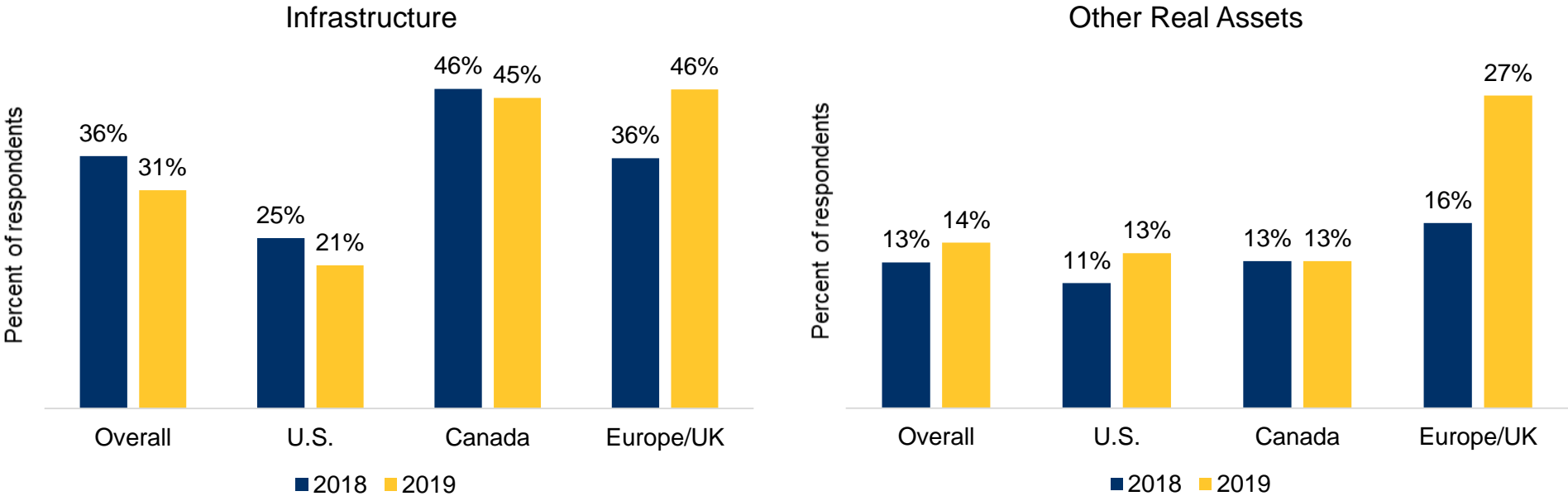


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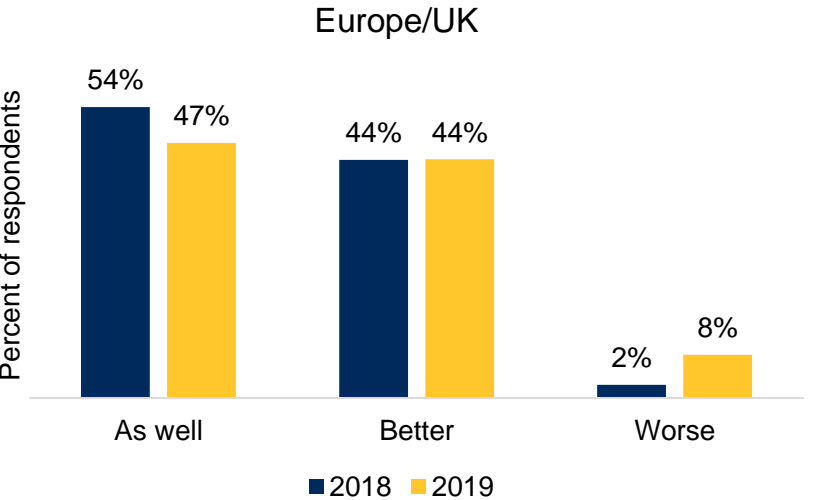
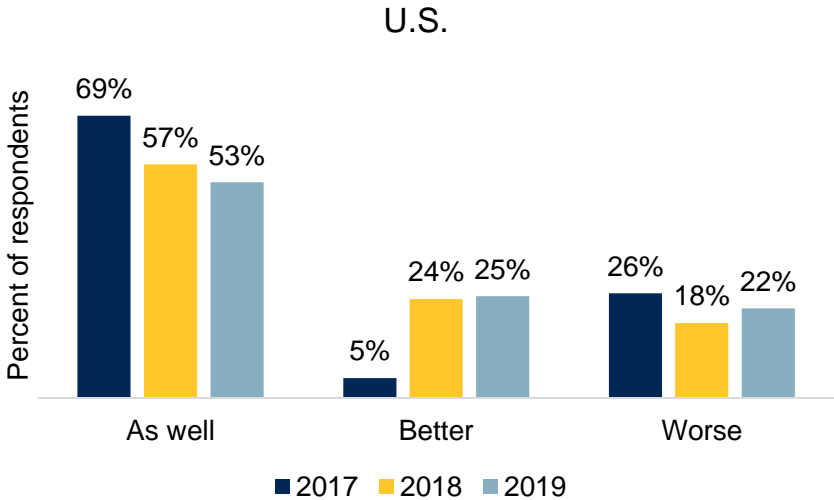
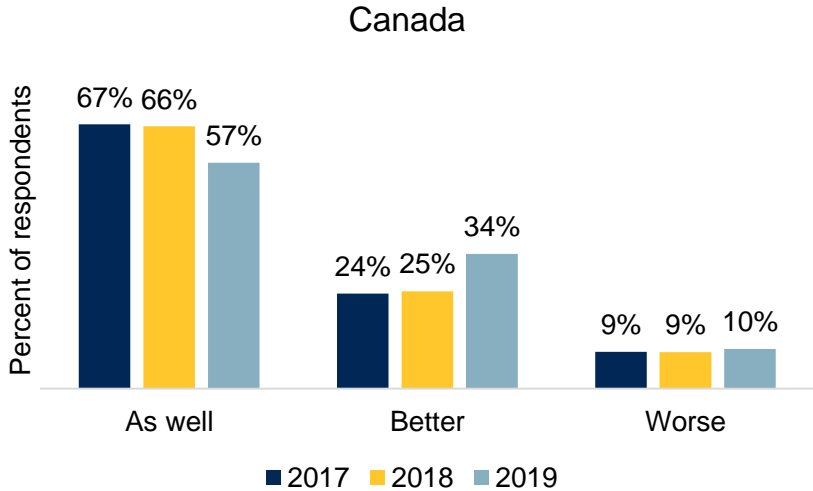
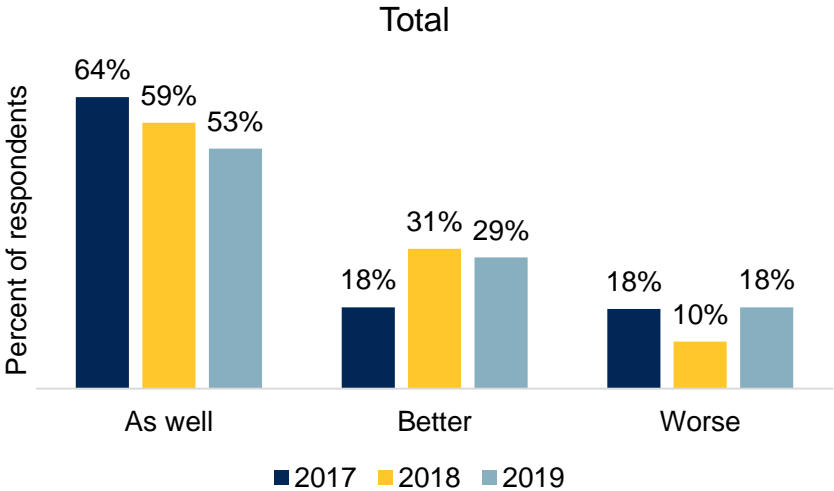


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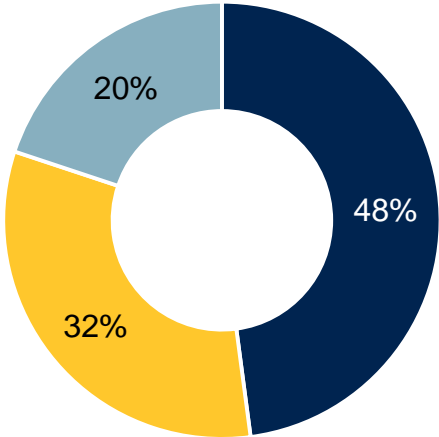
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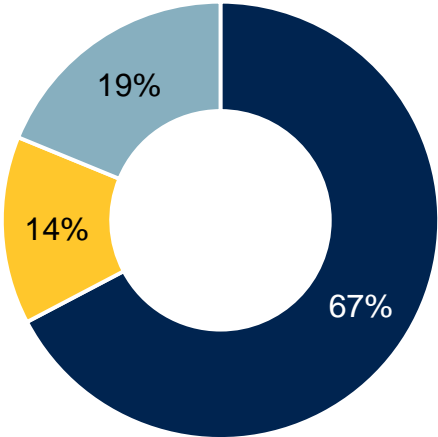
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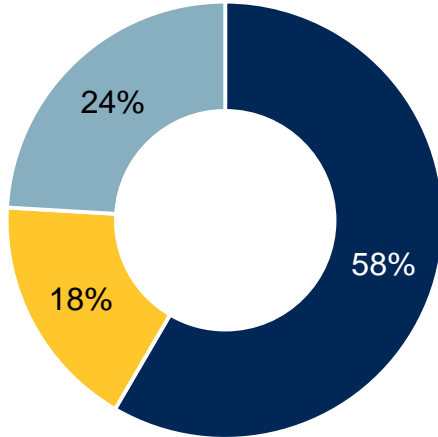
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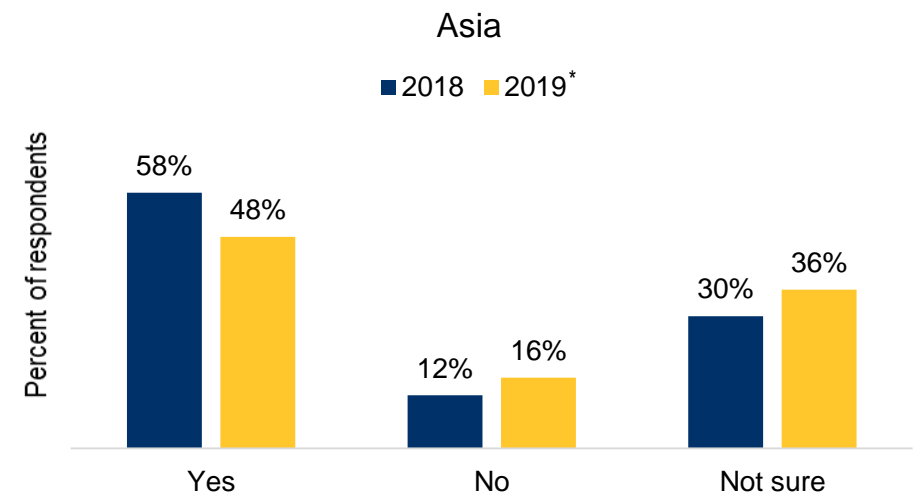
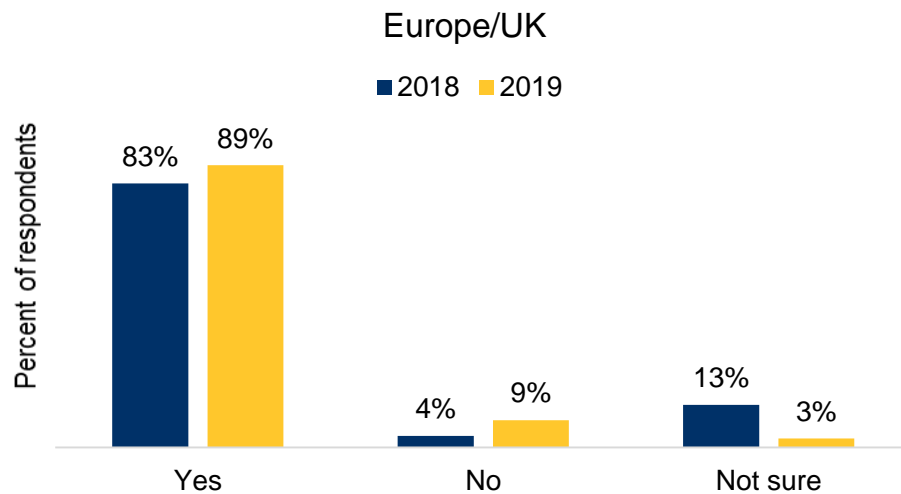
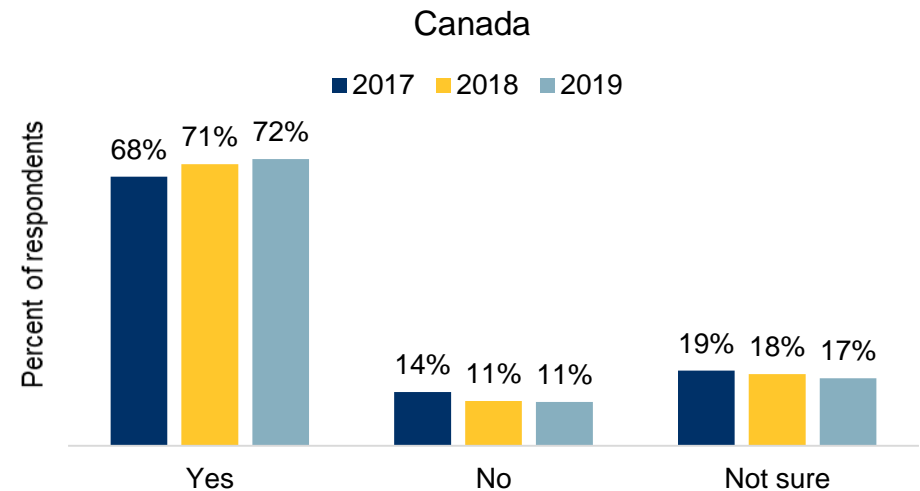
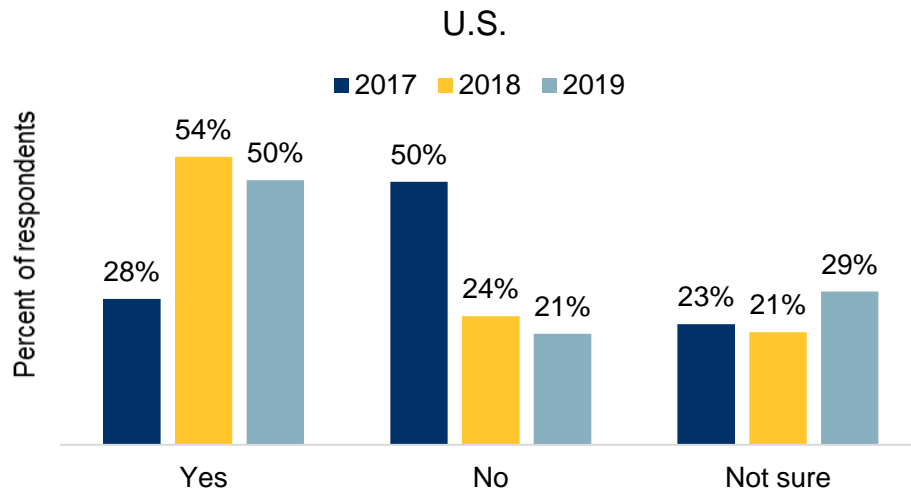
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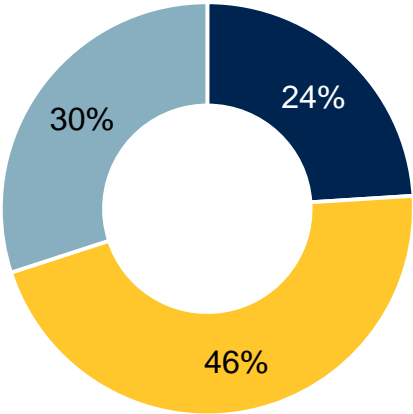
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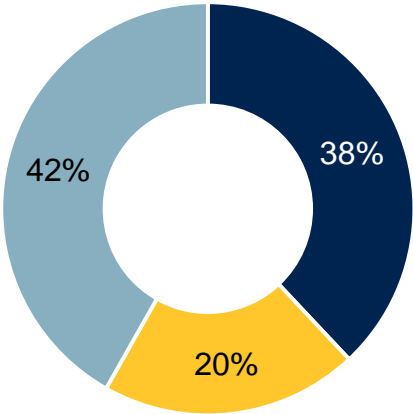
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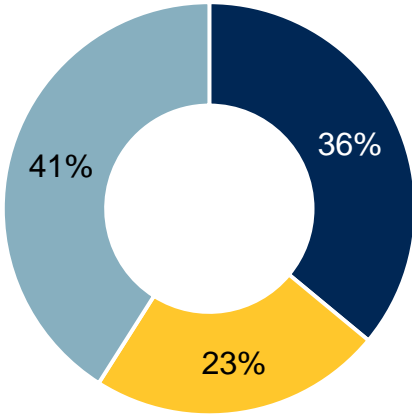
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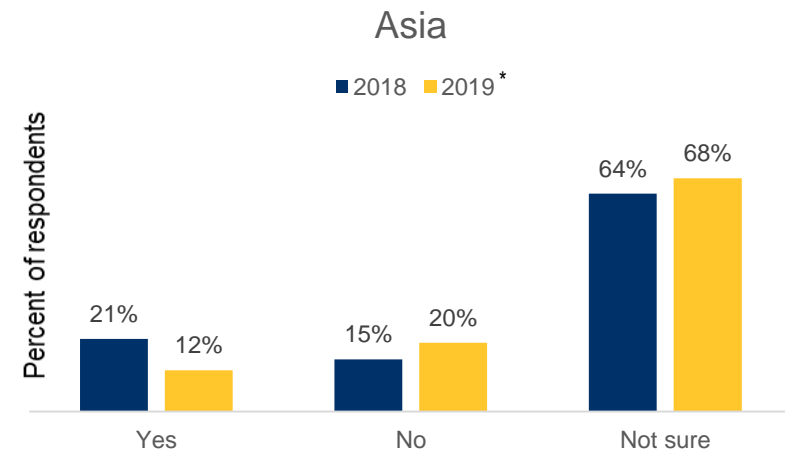
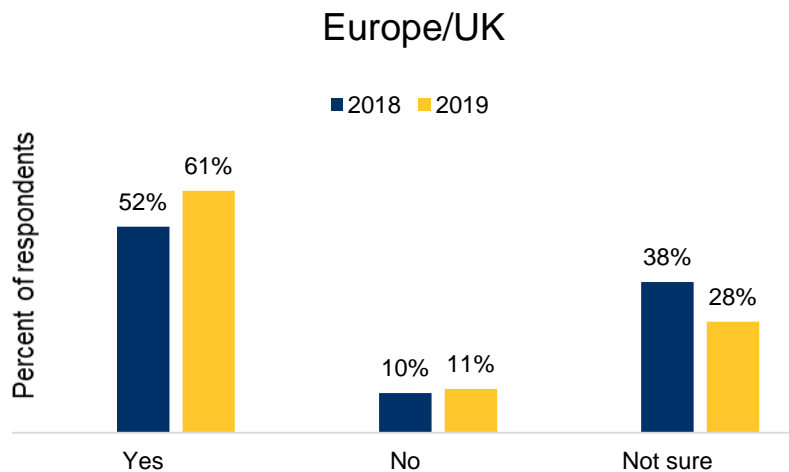
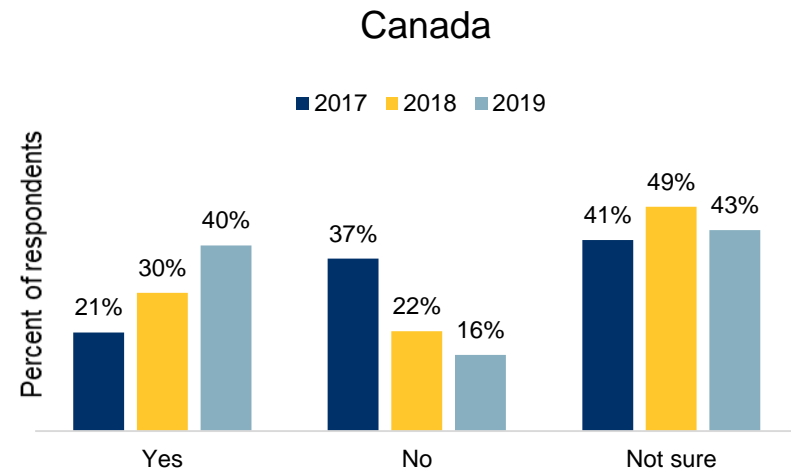
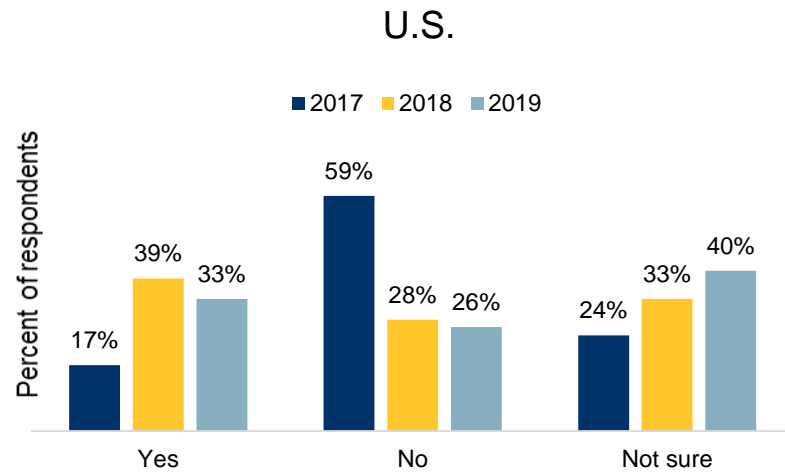
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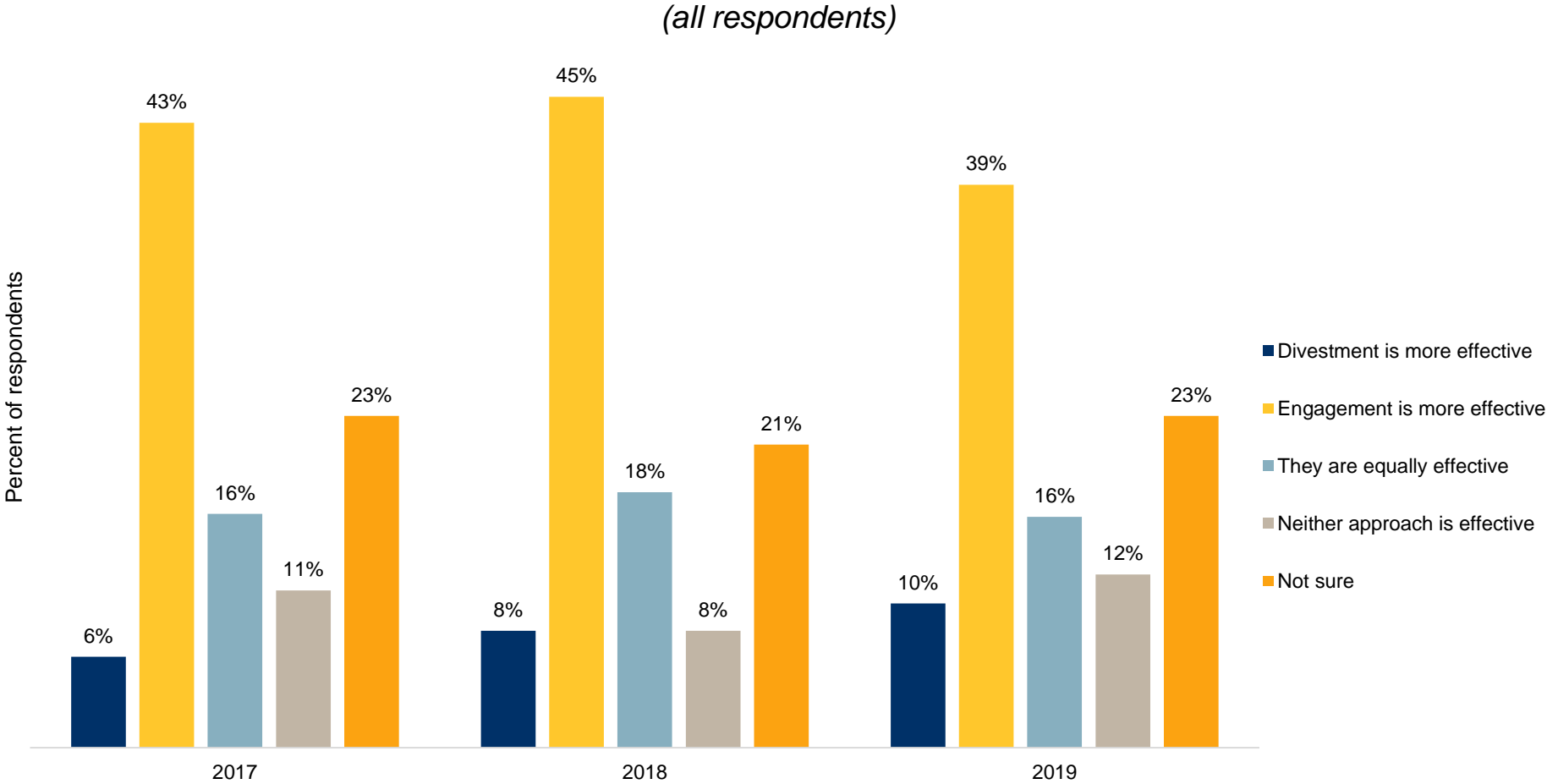
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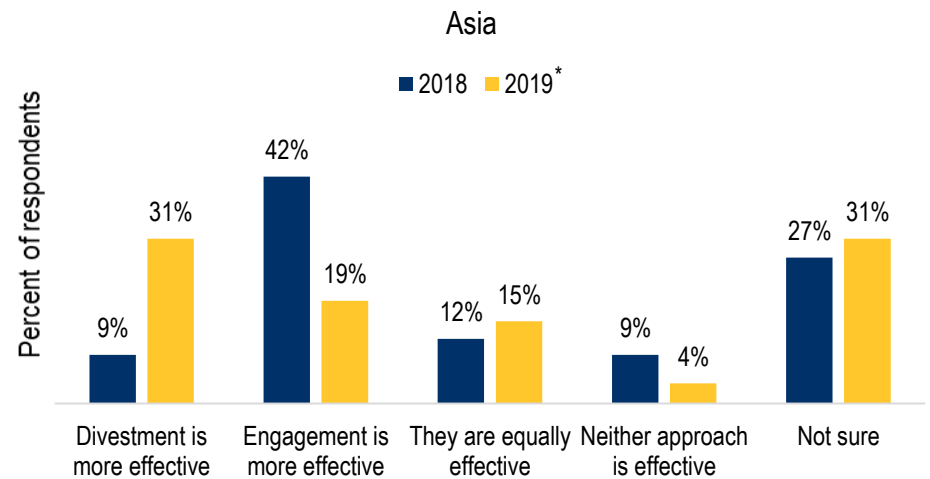
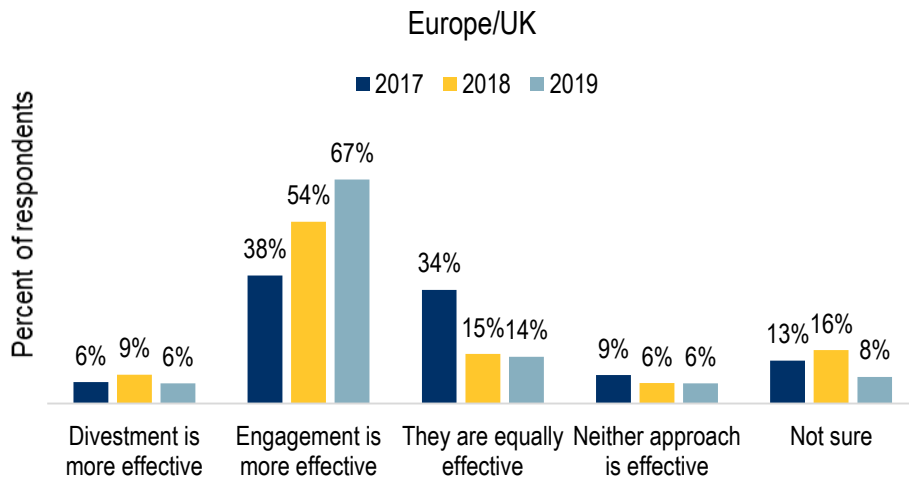
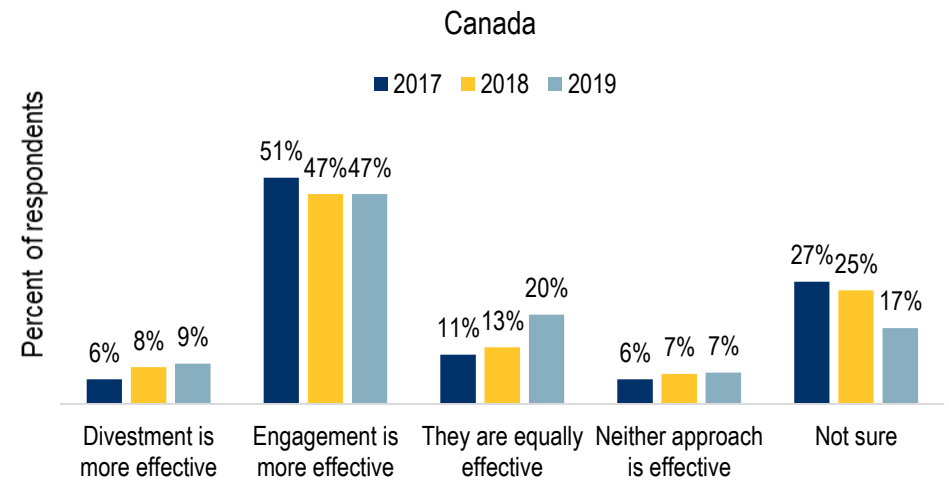
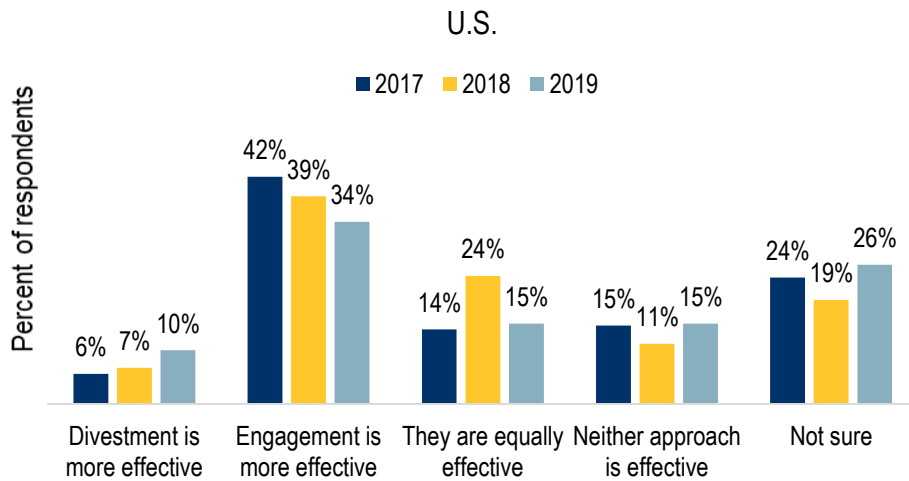
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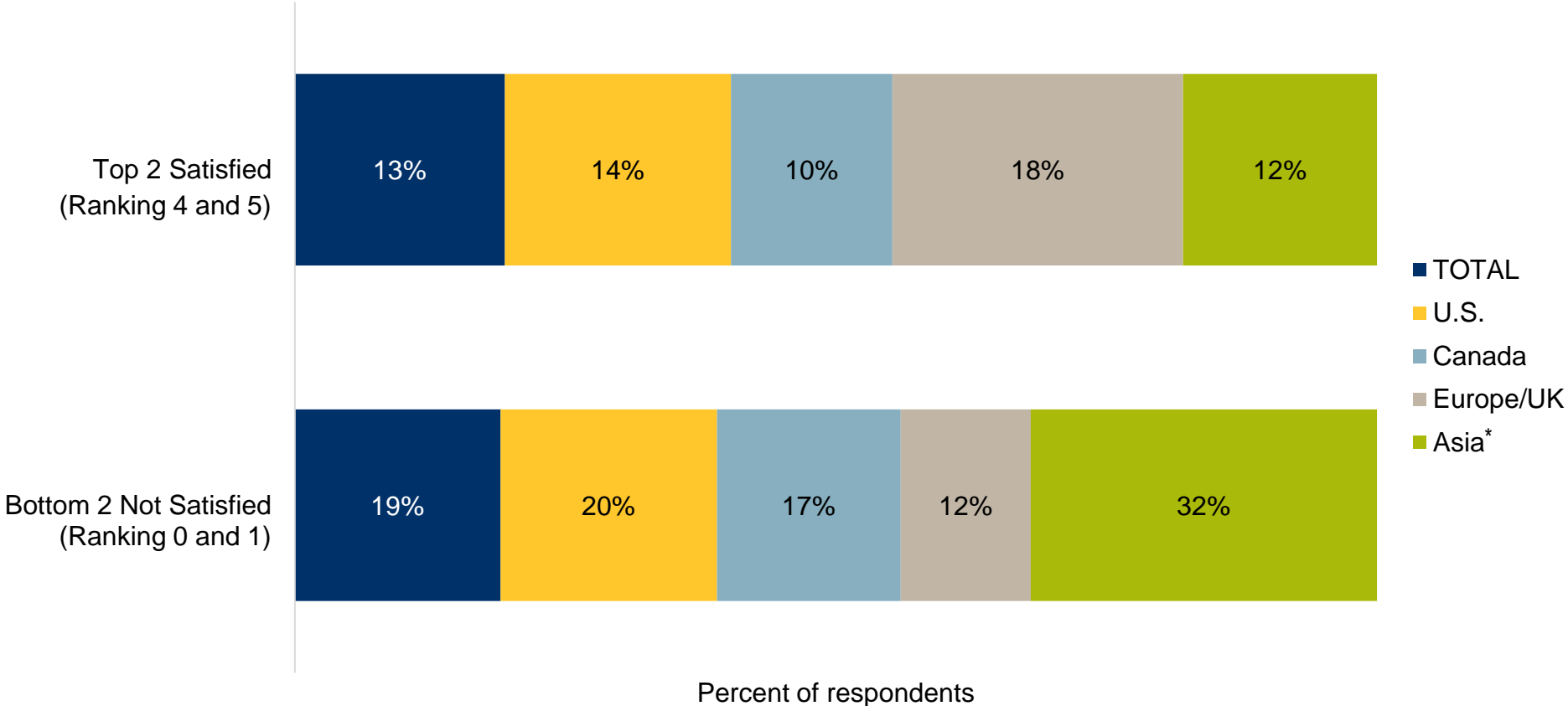
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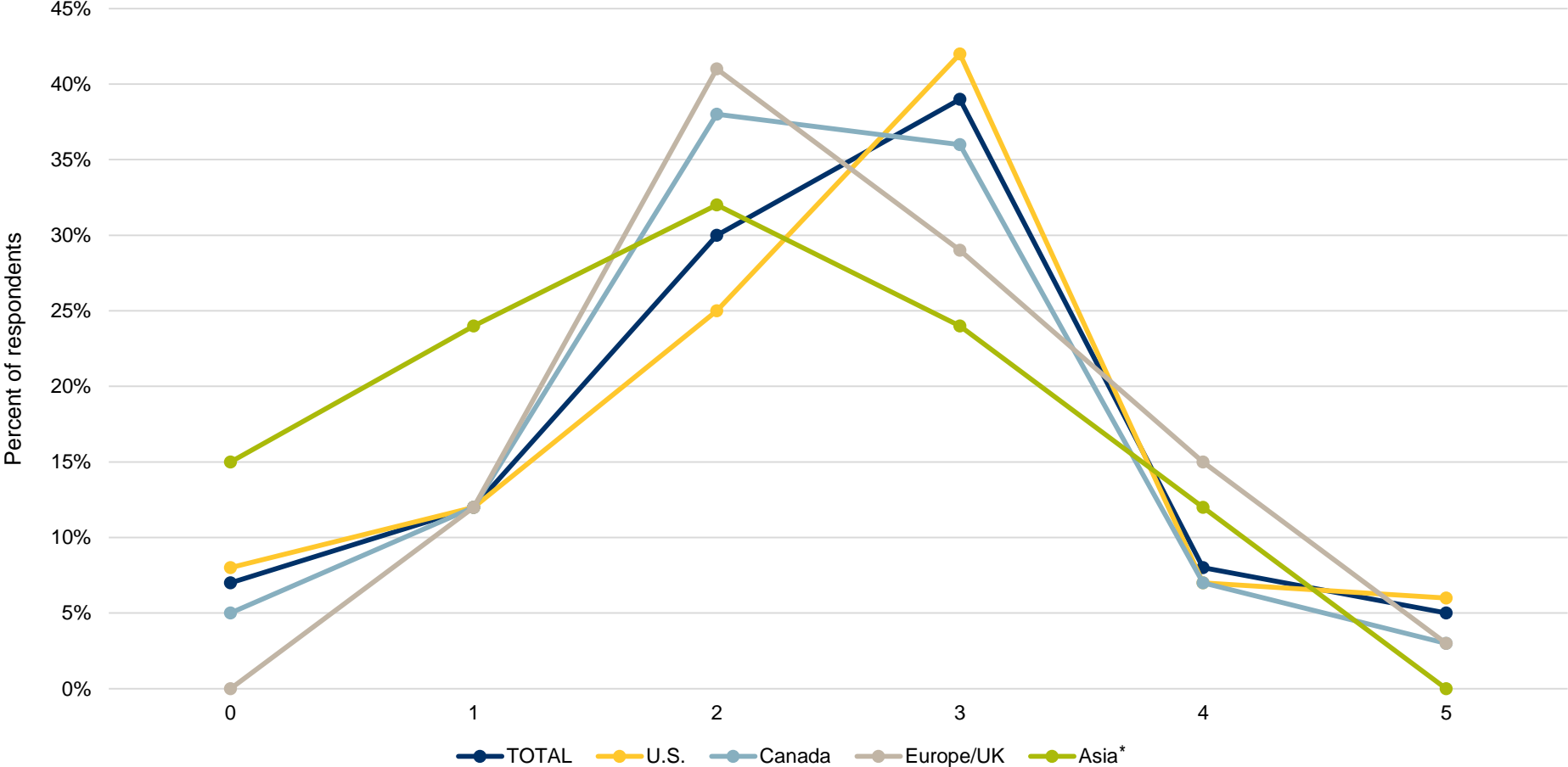


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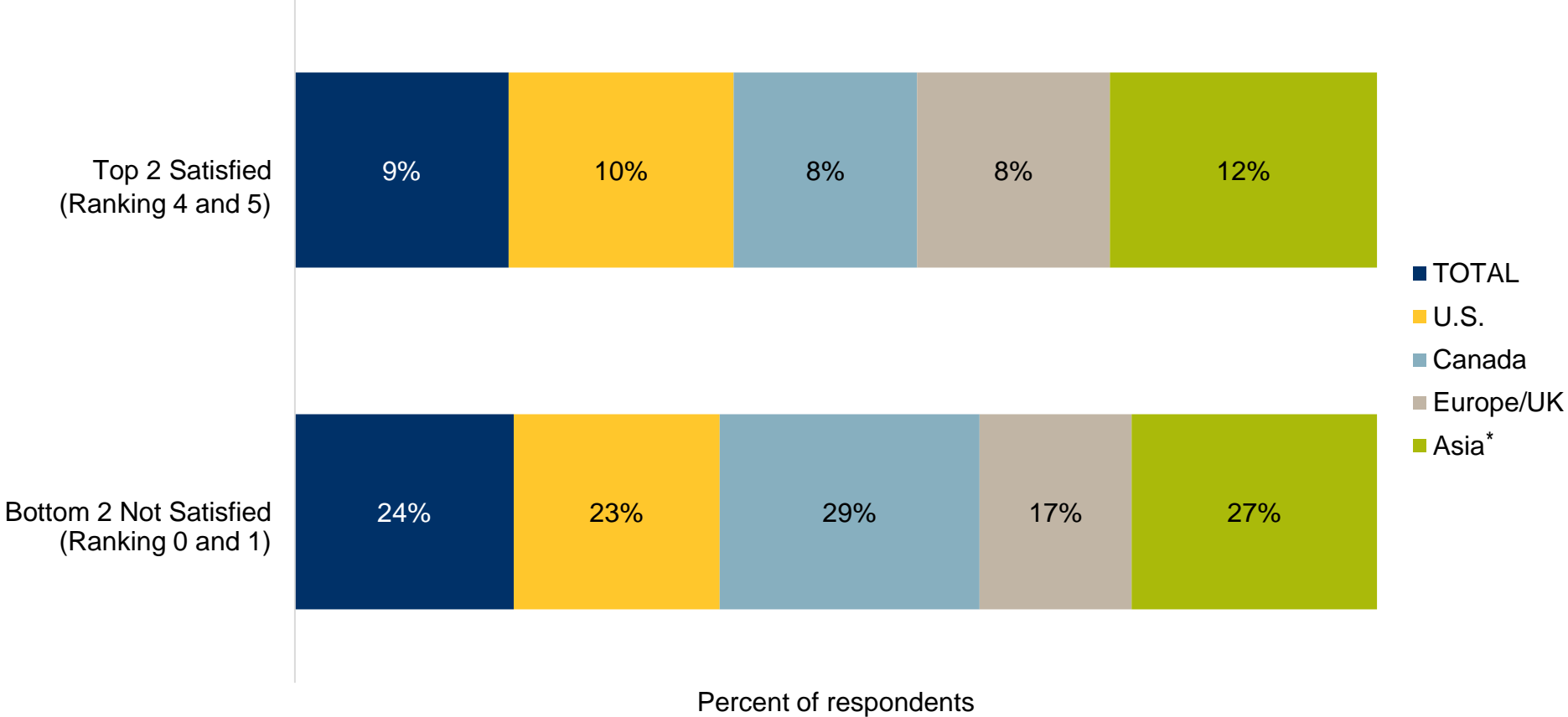


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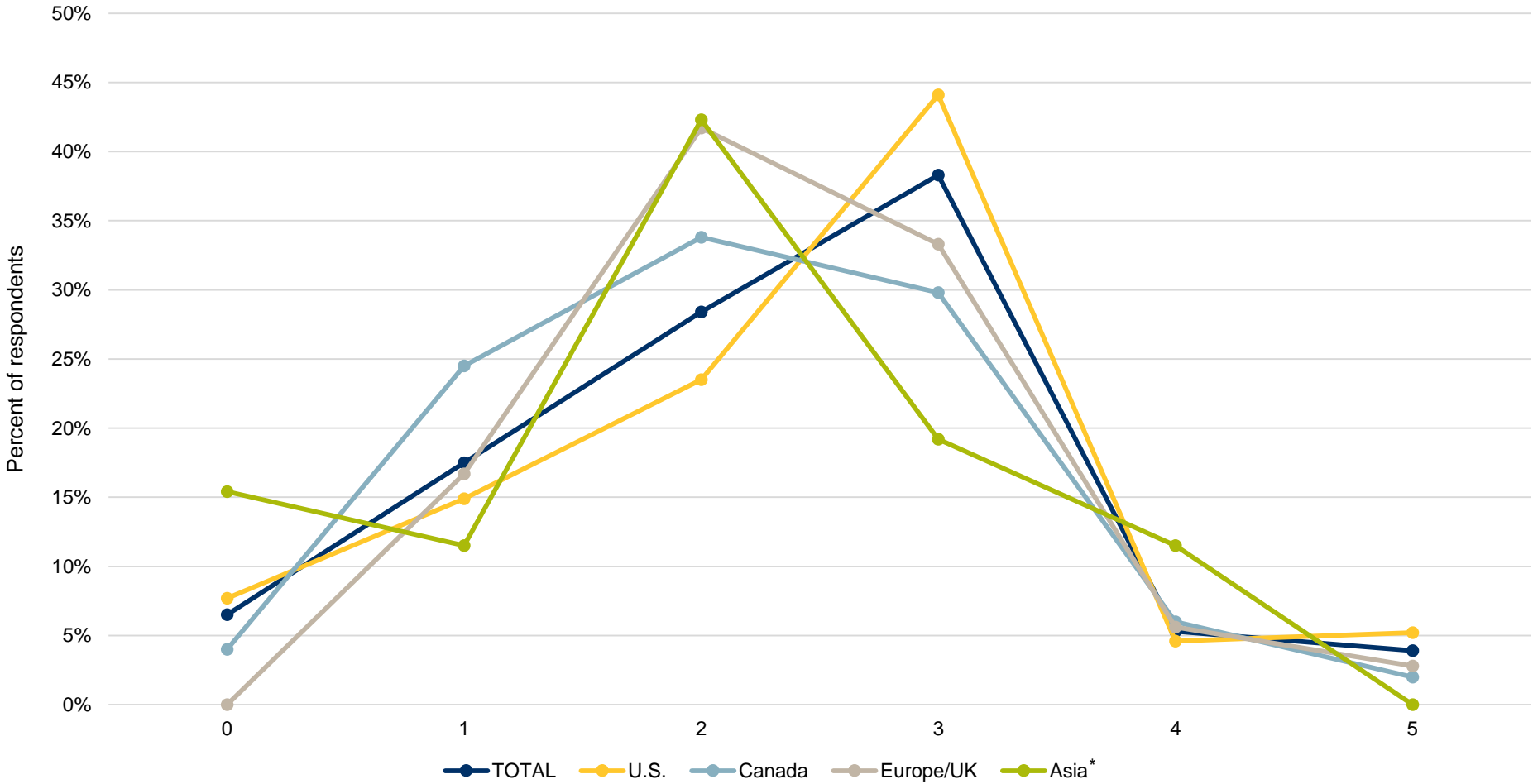


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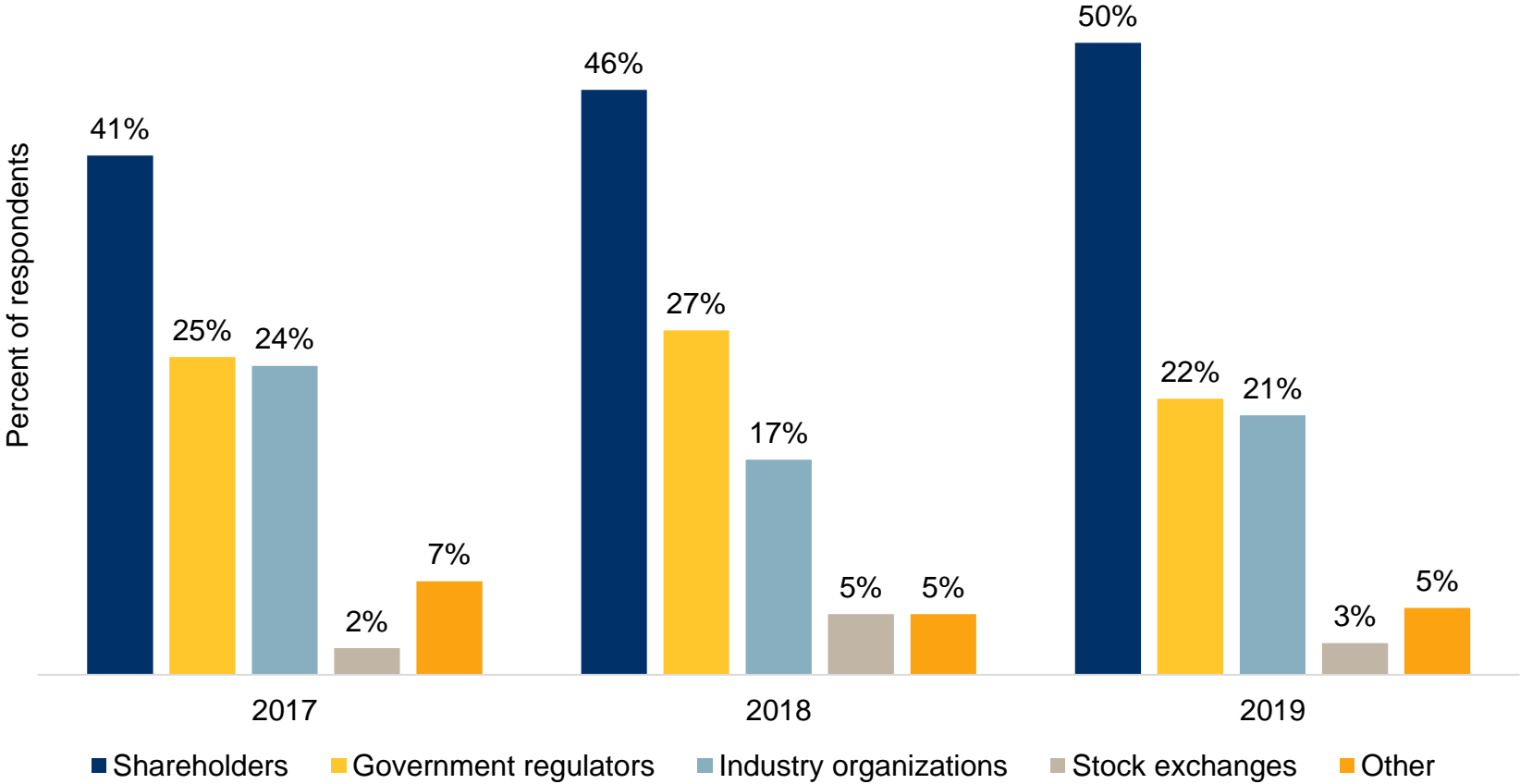


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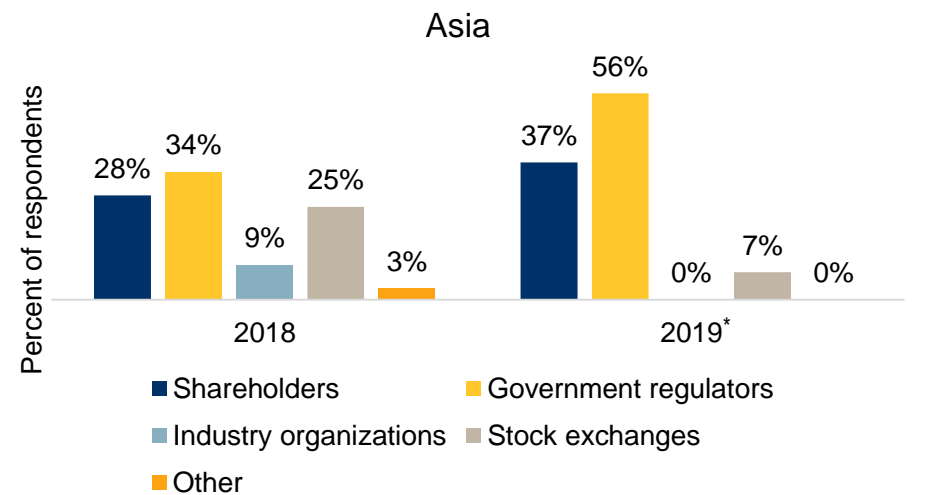
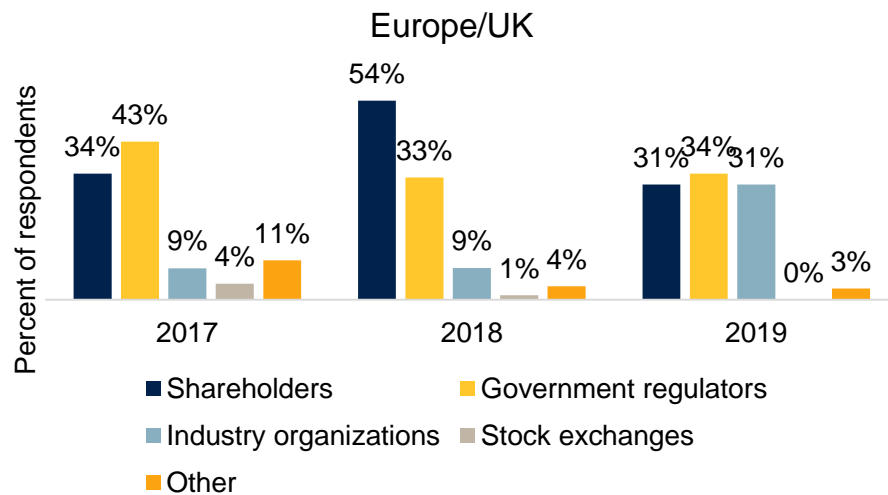
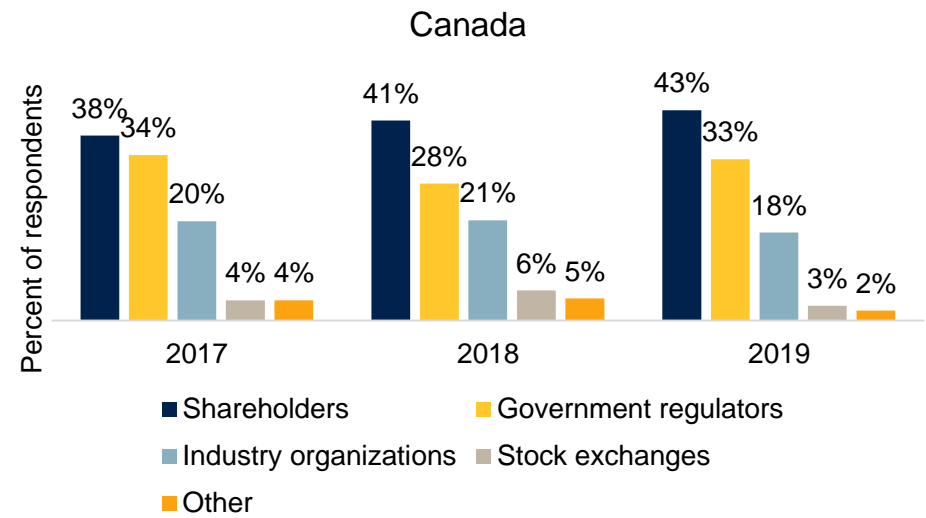
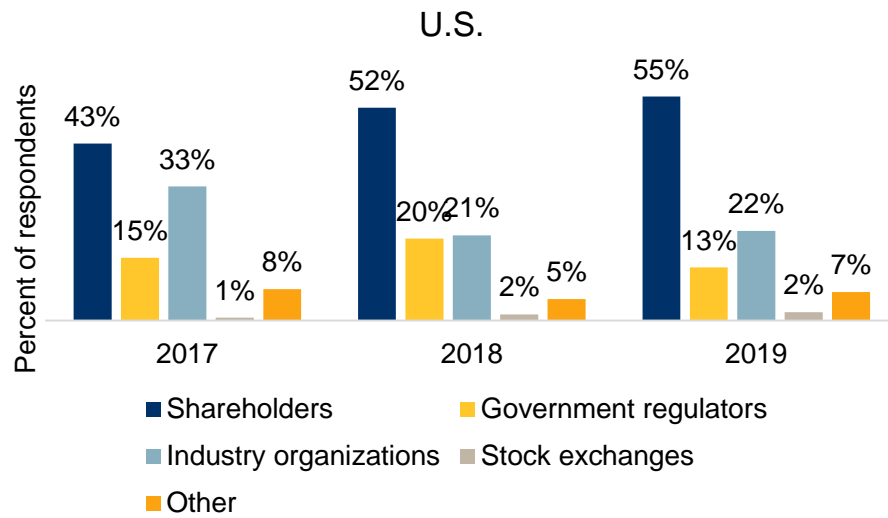


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(all respondents)



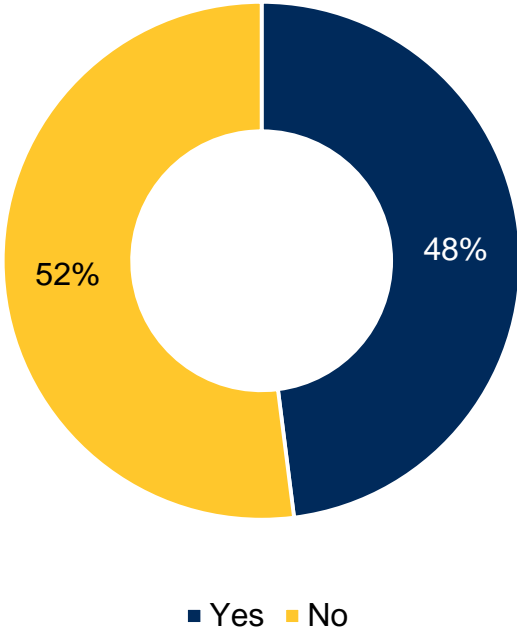
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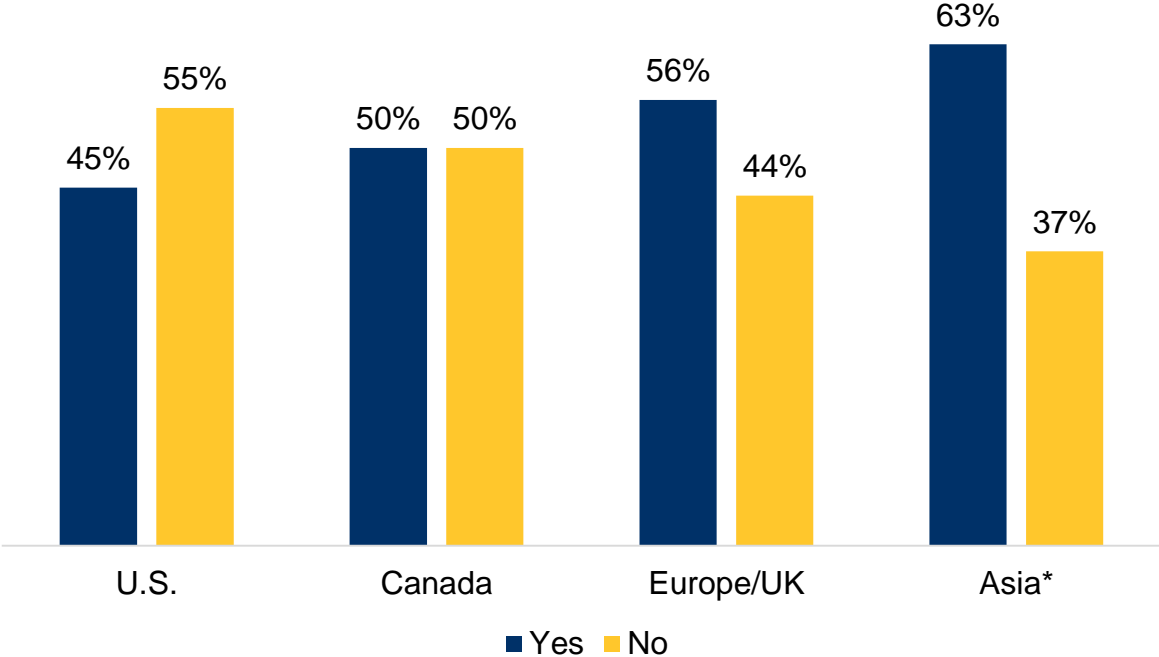
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In your opinion, should gender diversity targets be adopted?

All respondents



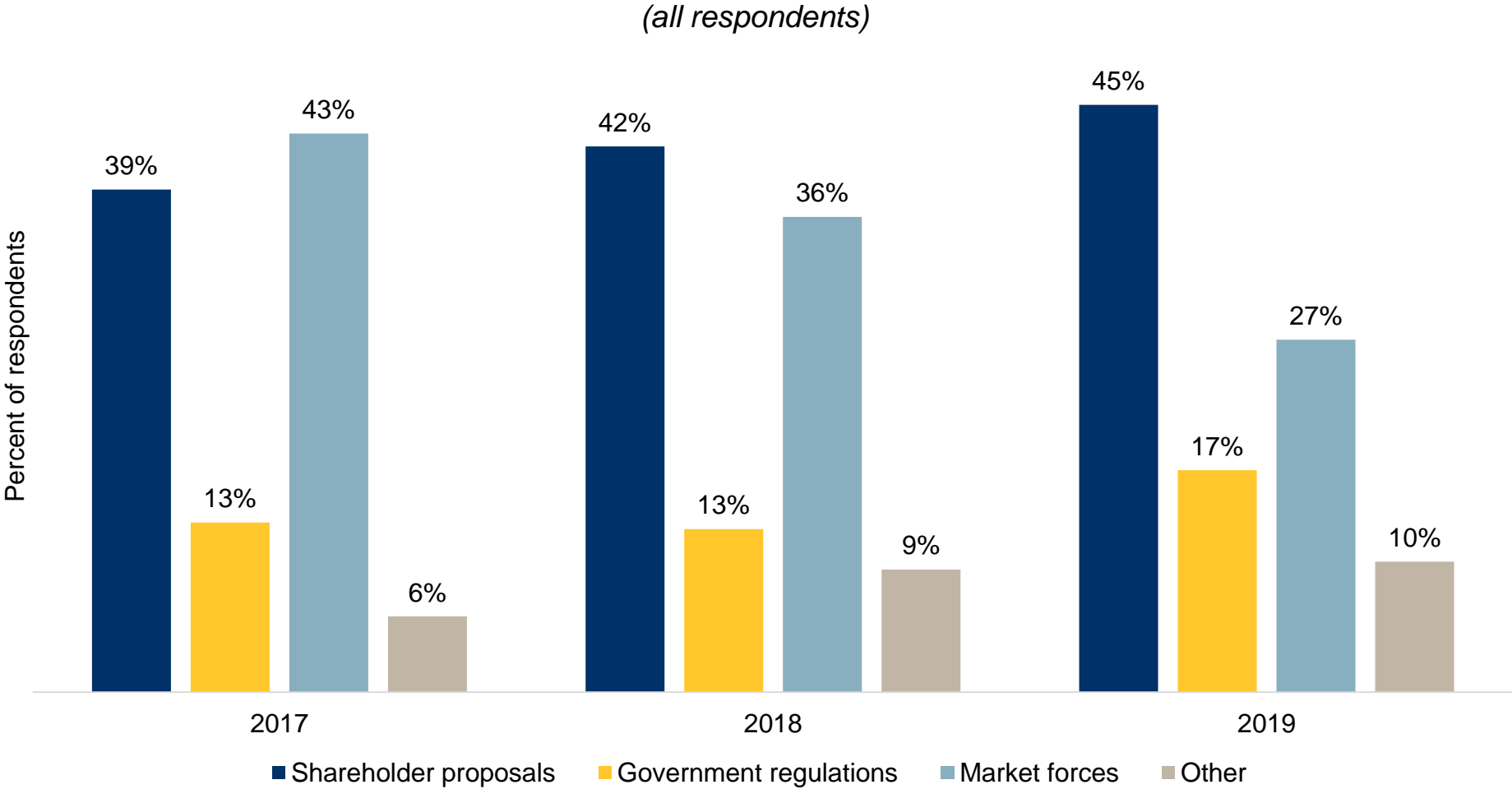
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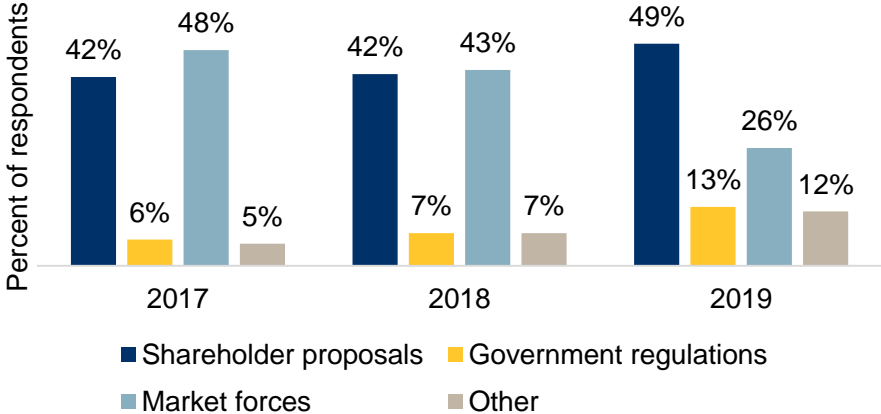


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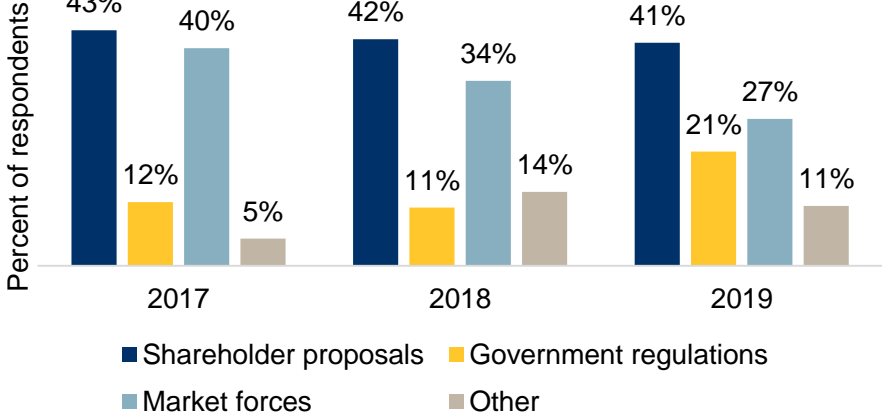


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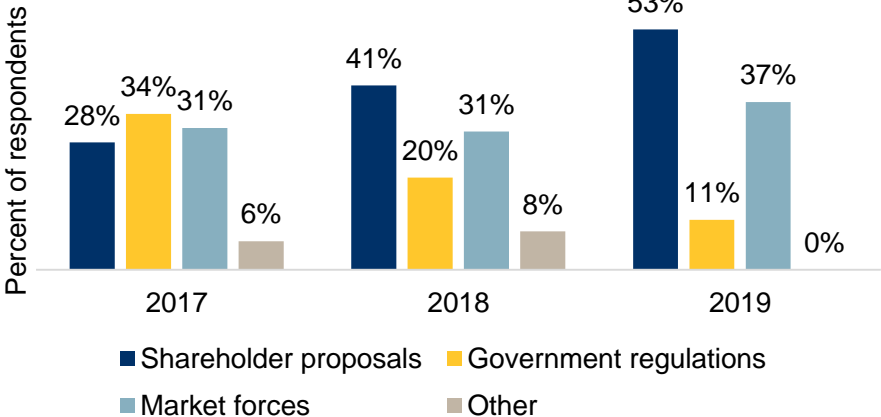
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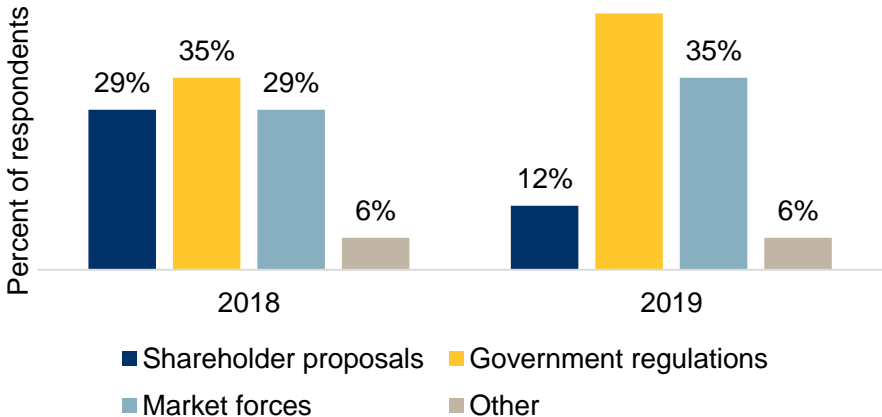
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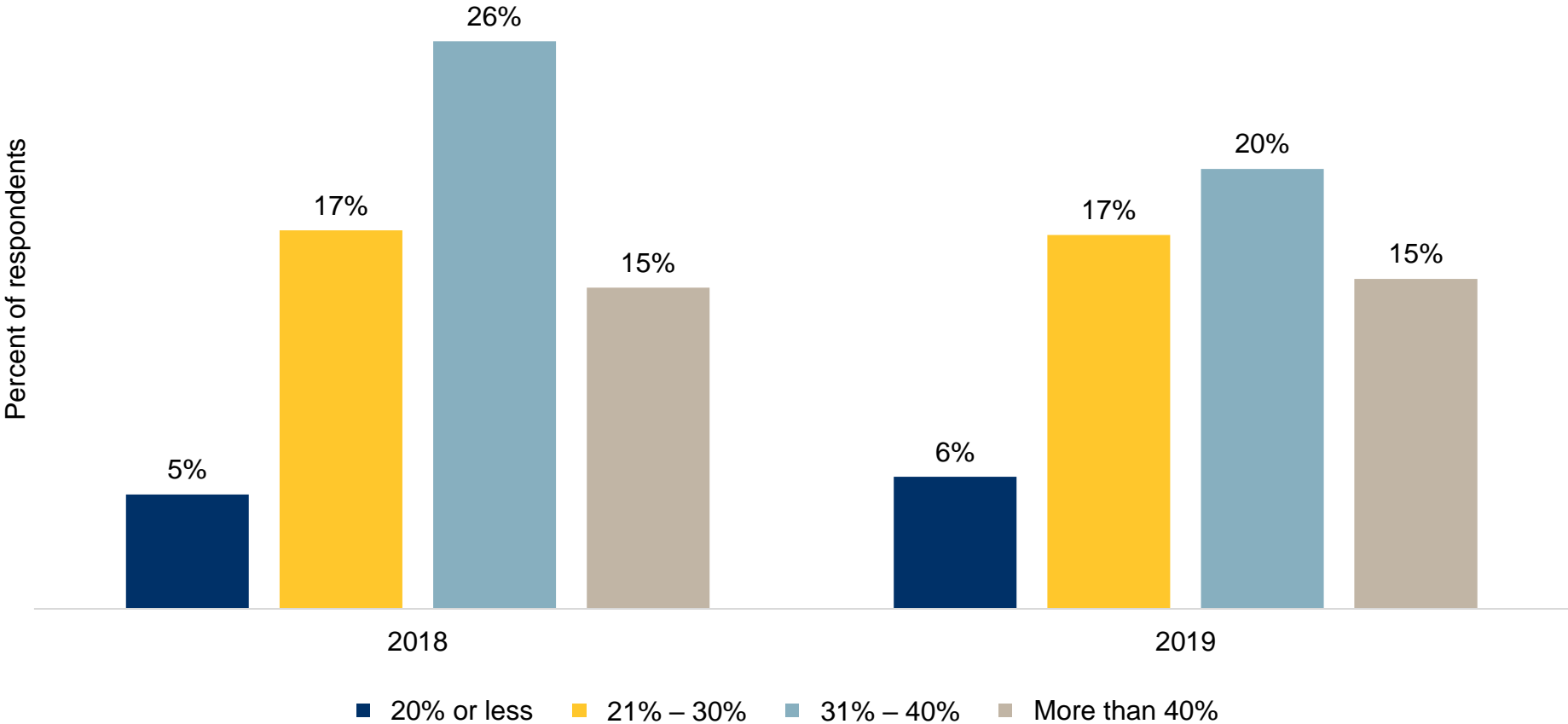


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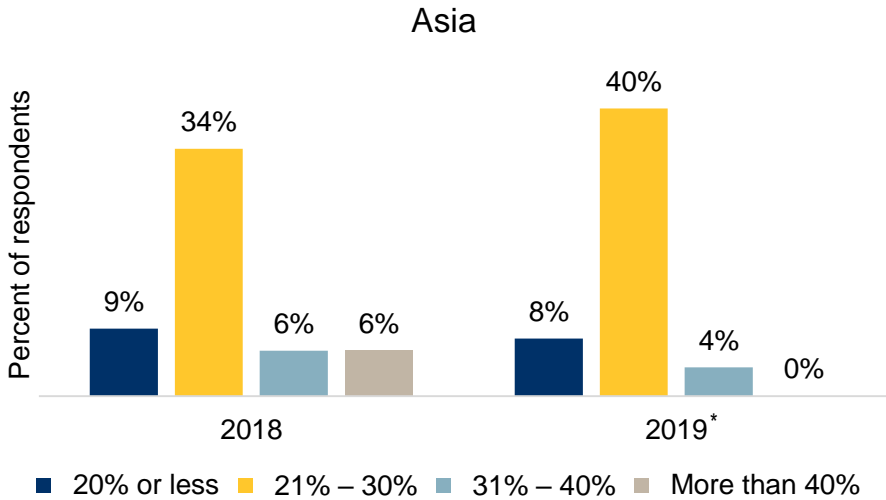
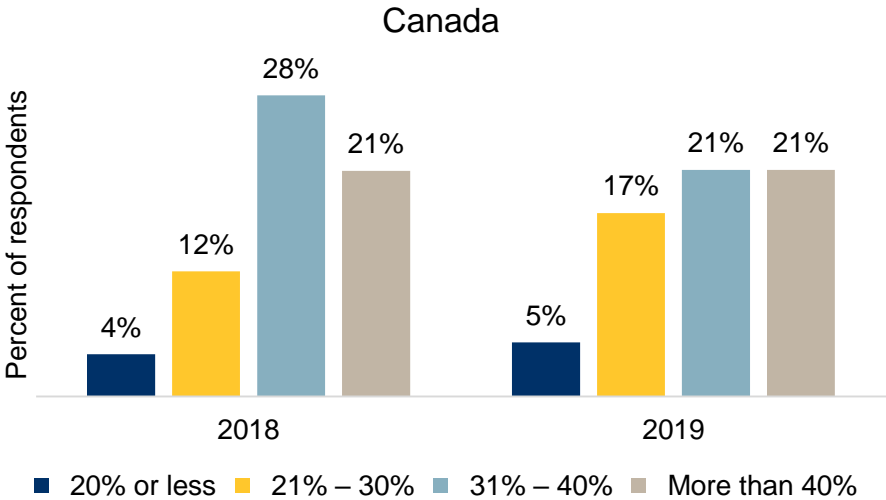
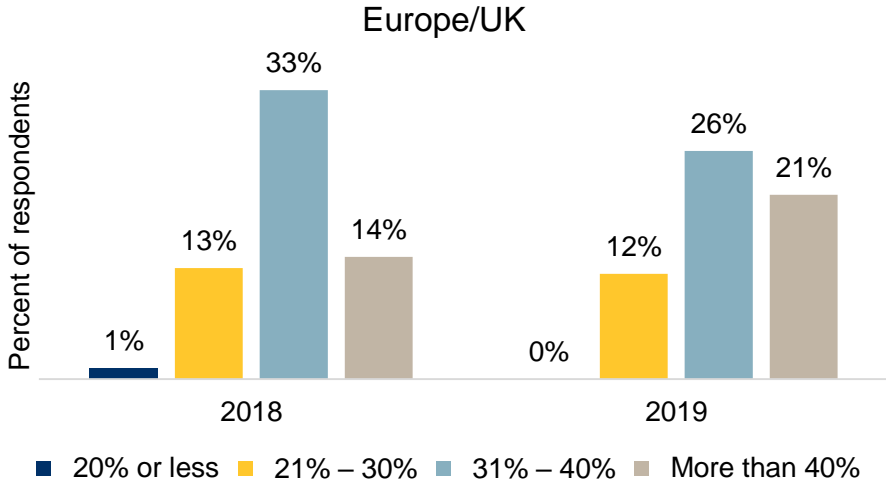
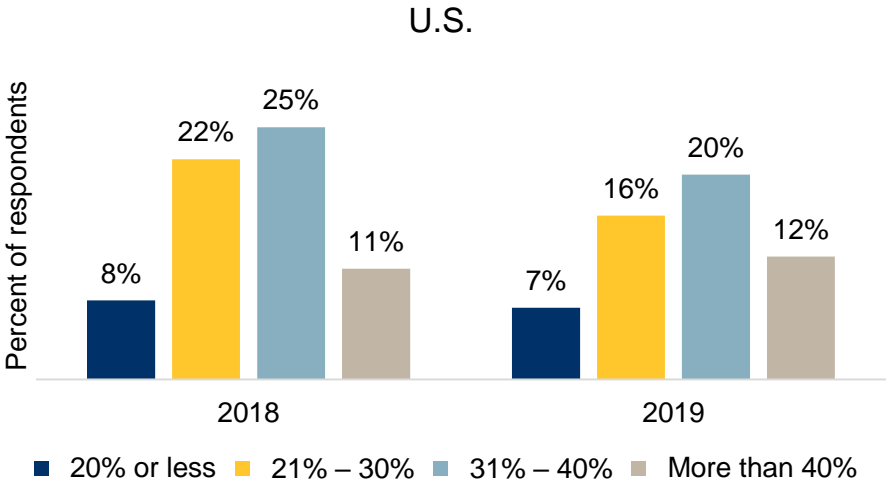


What would be a reasonable non-binding target for the board of an issuer to adopt regarding gender diversity?

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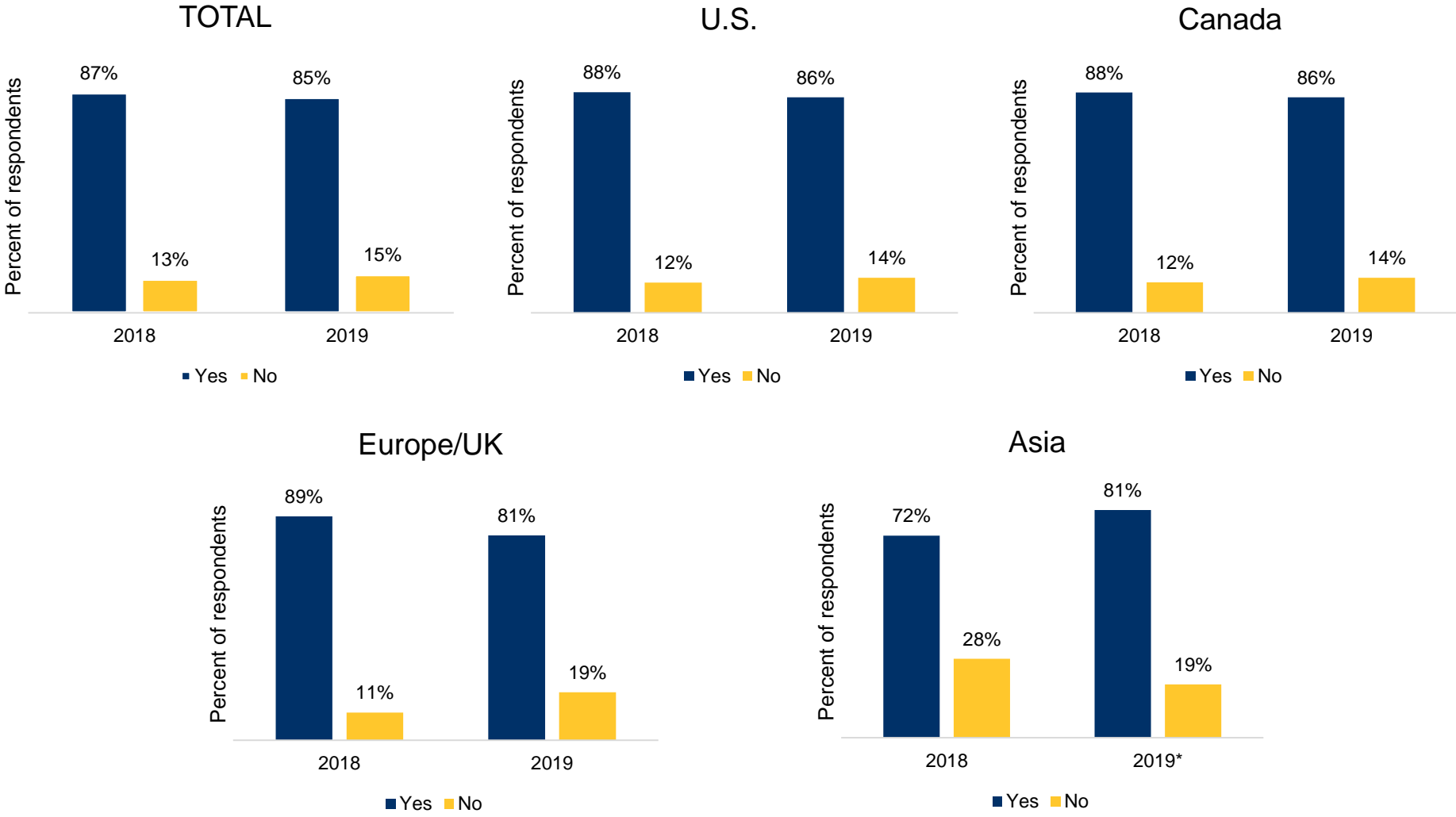
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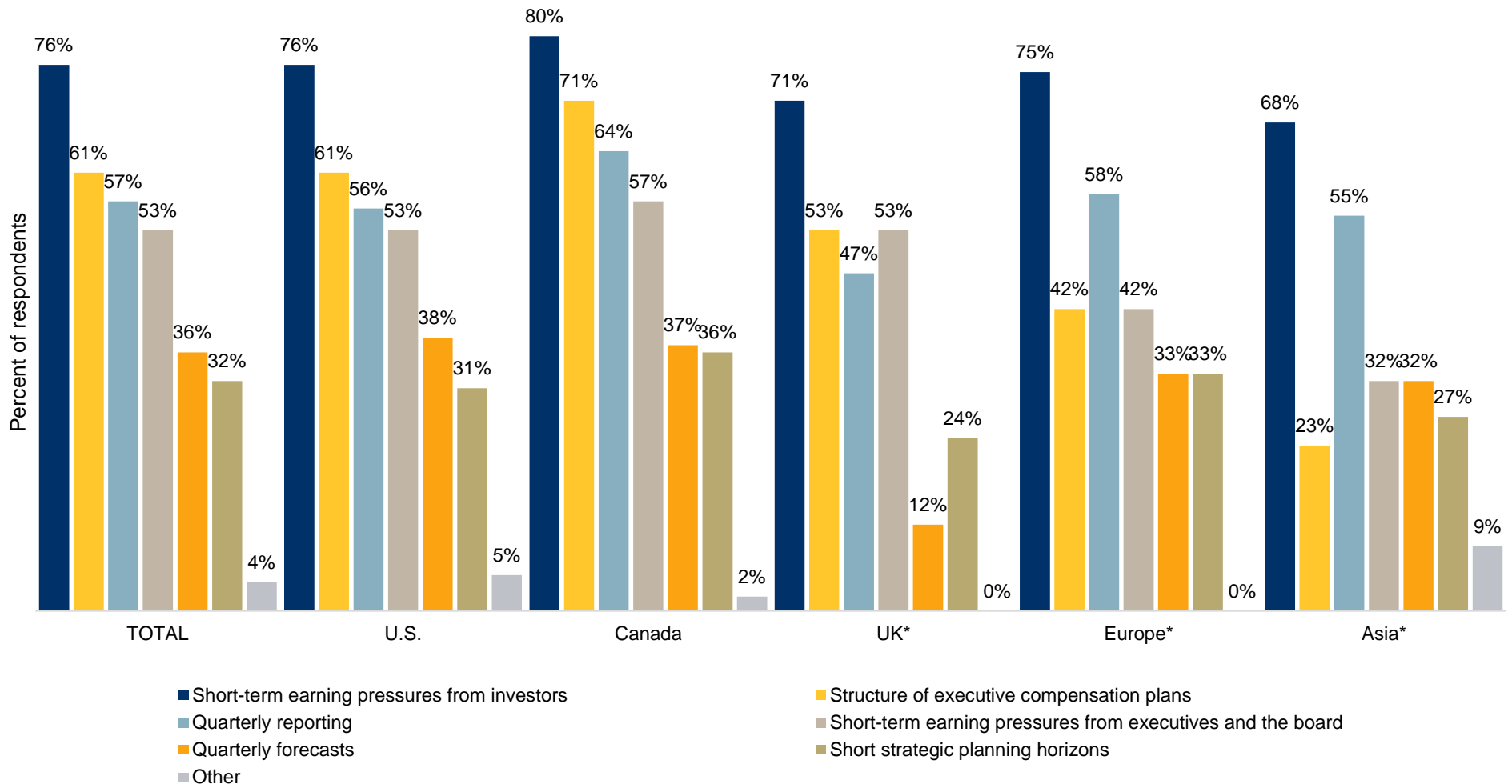
Do you think corporations are too focused on short-term financial results?



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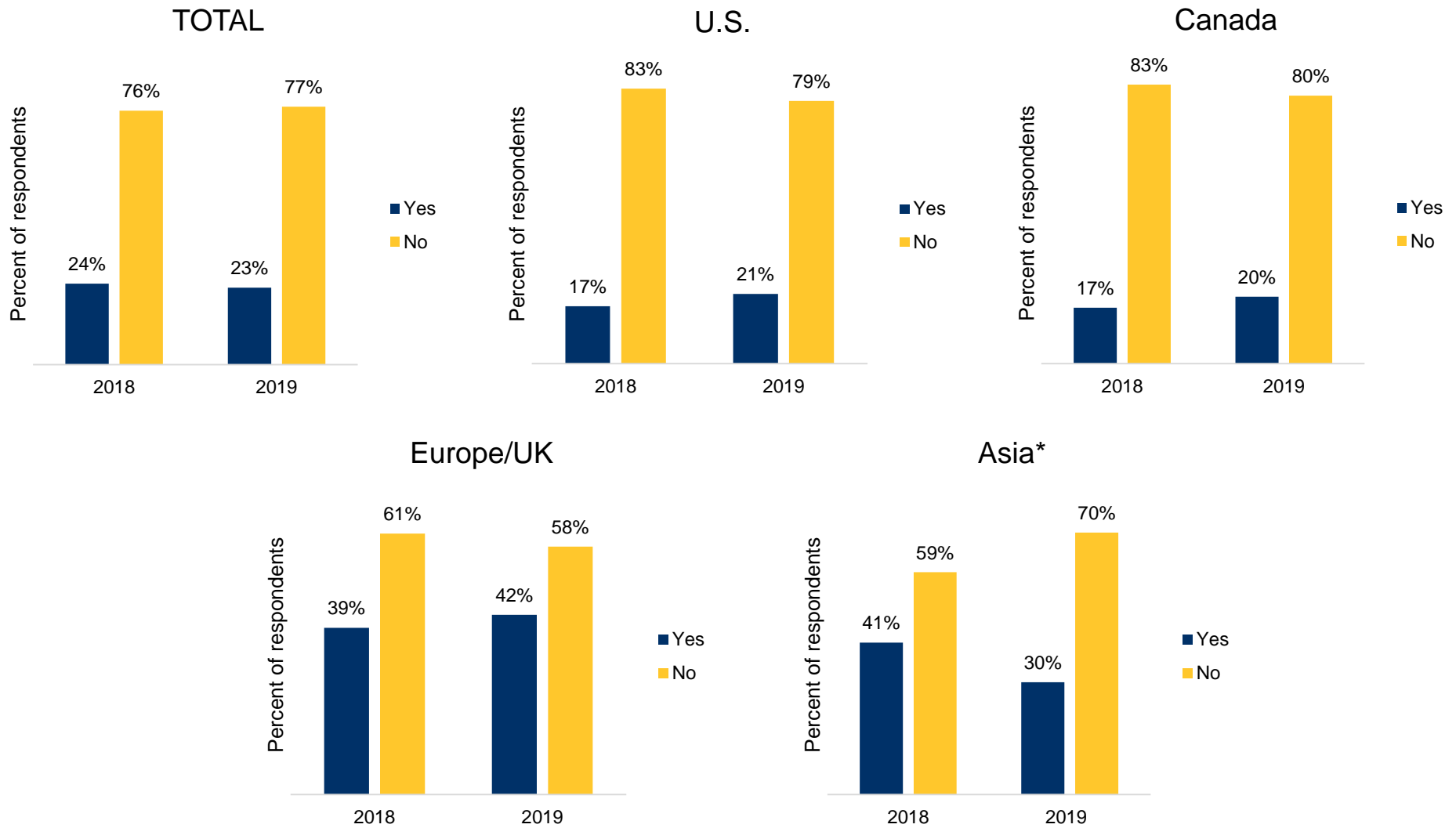


What do you think is causing that short-term focus?



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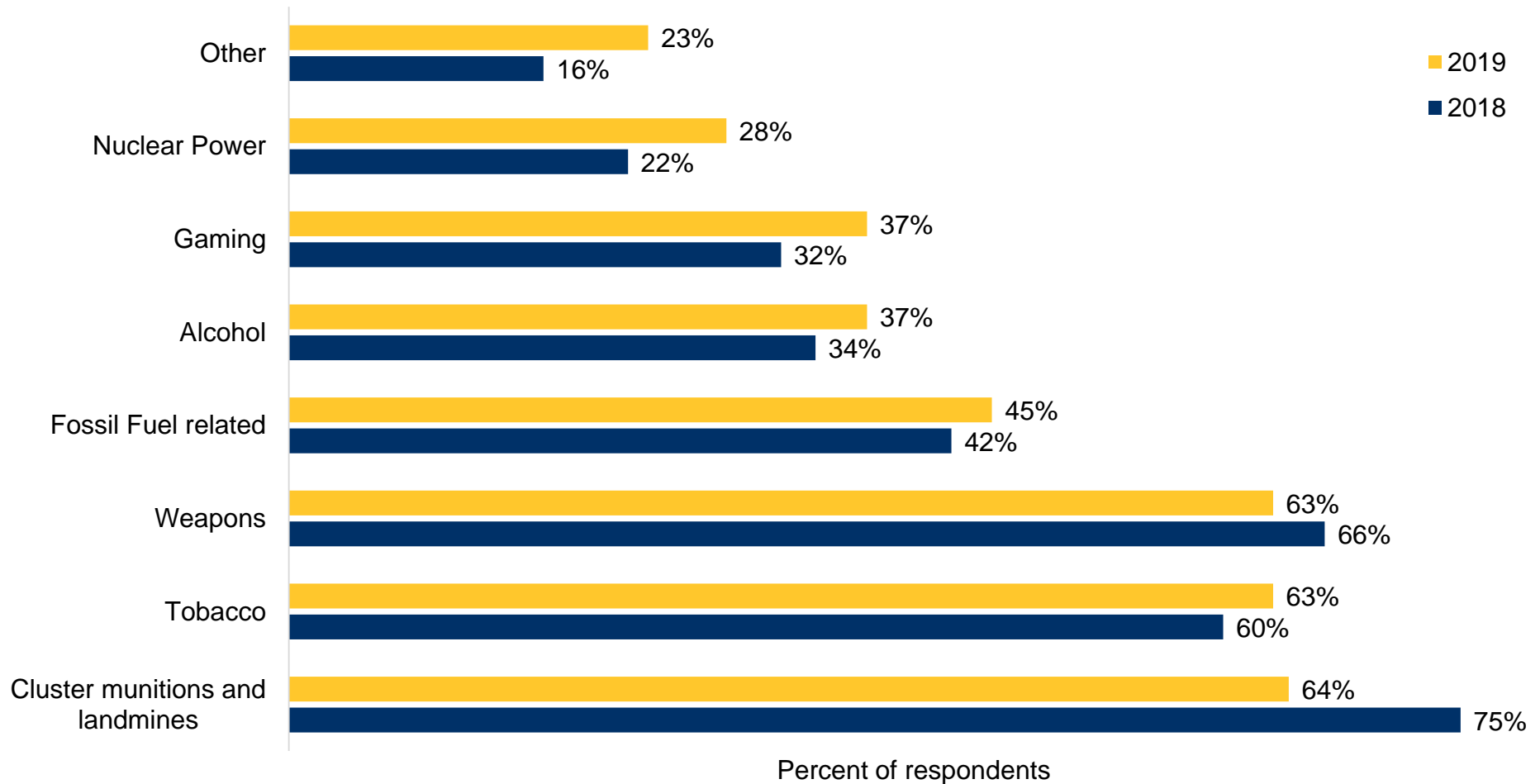
Do you require your external asset manager(s) to apply any negative Socially Responsible Investment (SRI) screens to your portfolio?



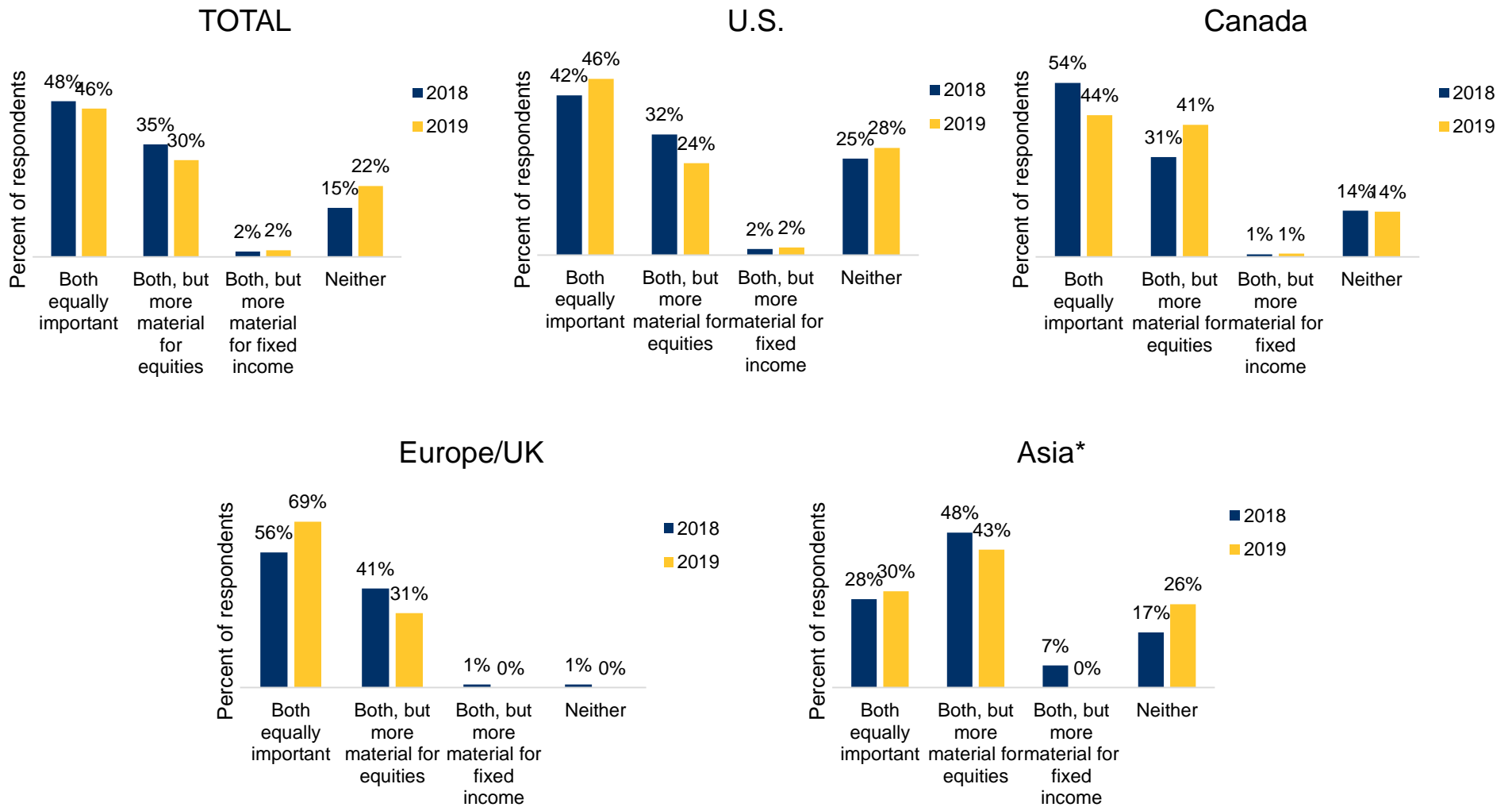
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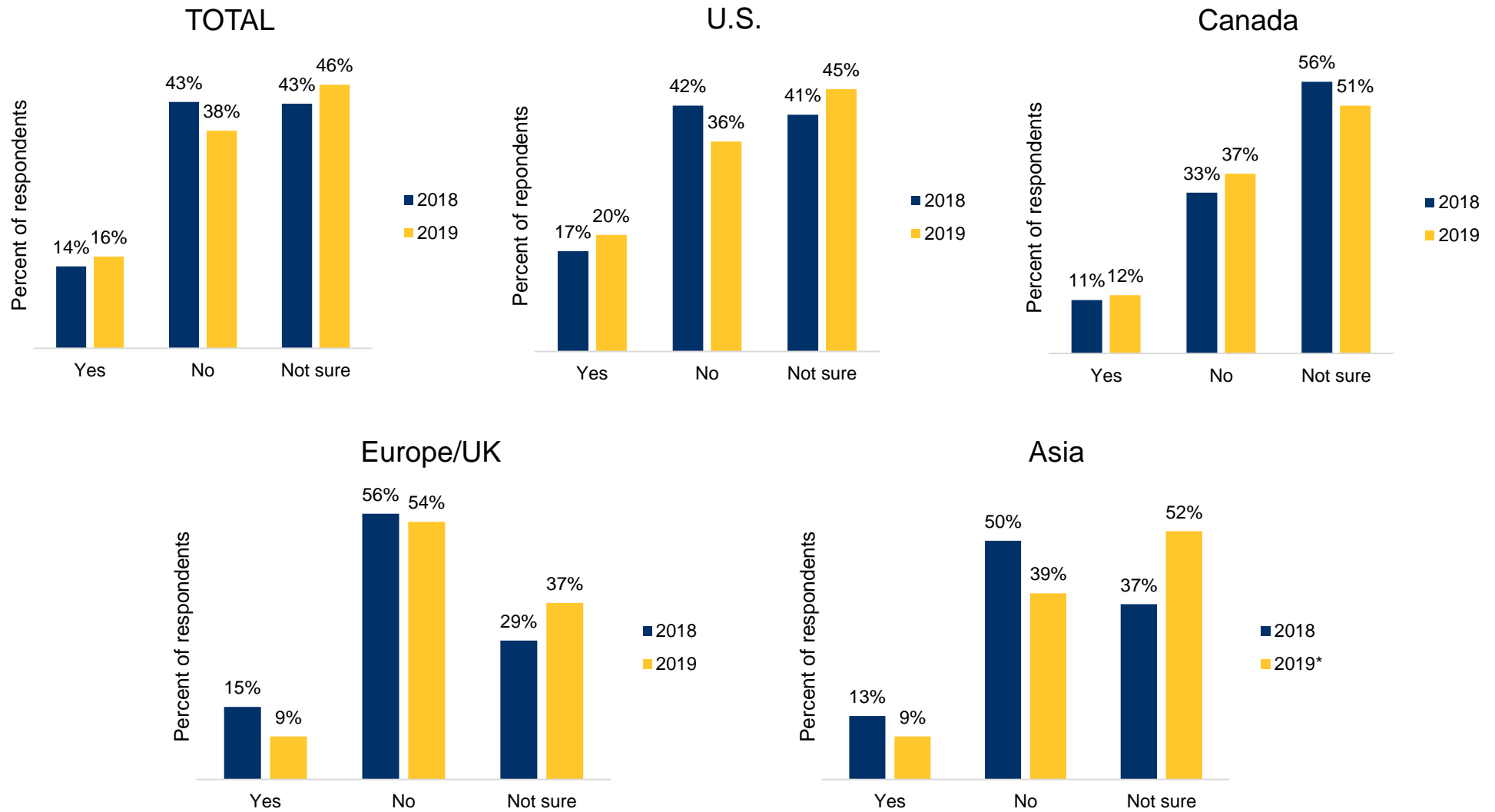


Is it important to incorporate ESG factors into both equity and fixed income strategies?



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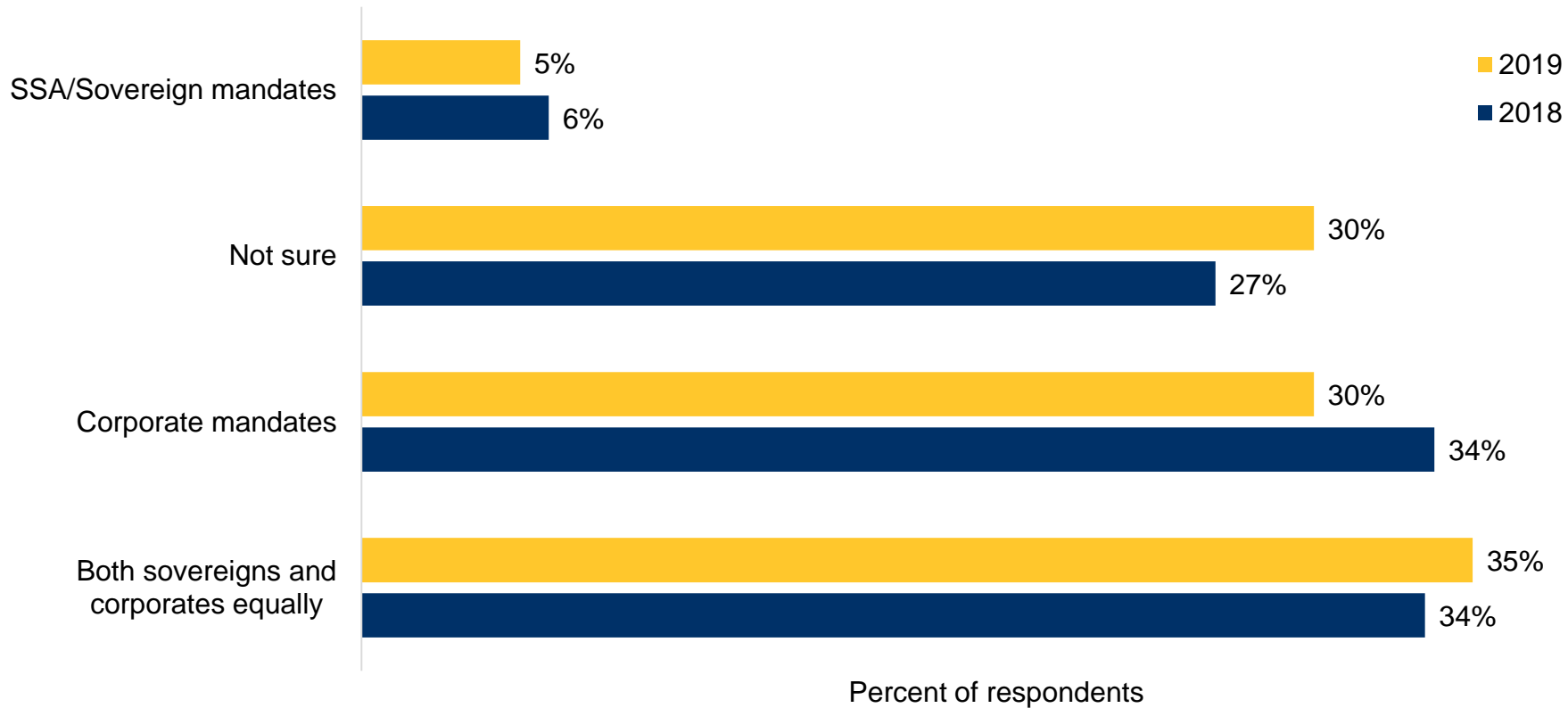
Do you believe that there are sufficient fixed income product offerings that incorporate ESG factors?



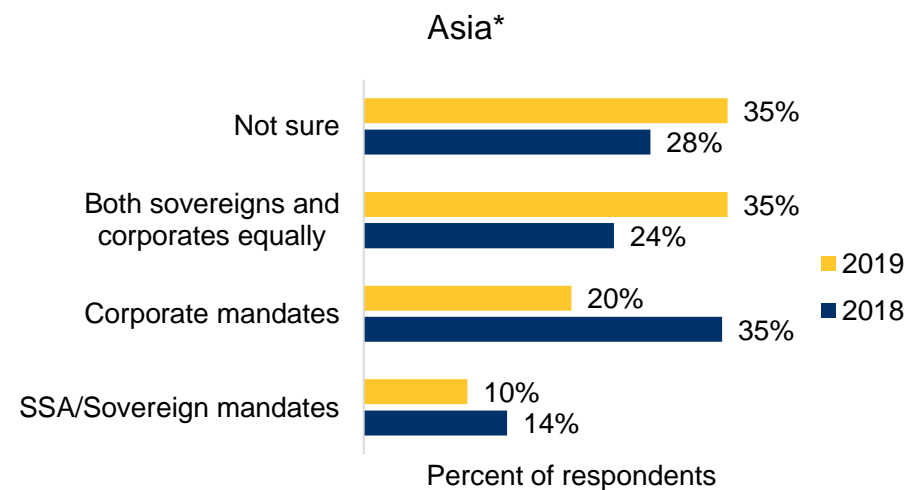
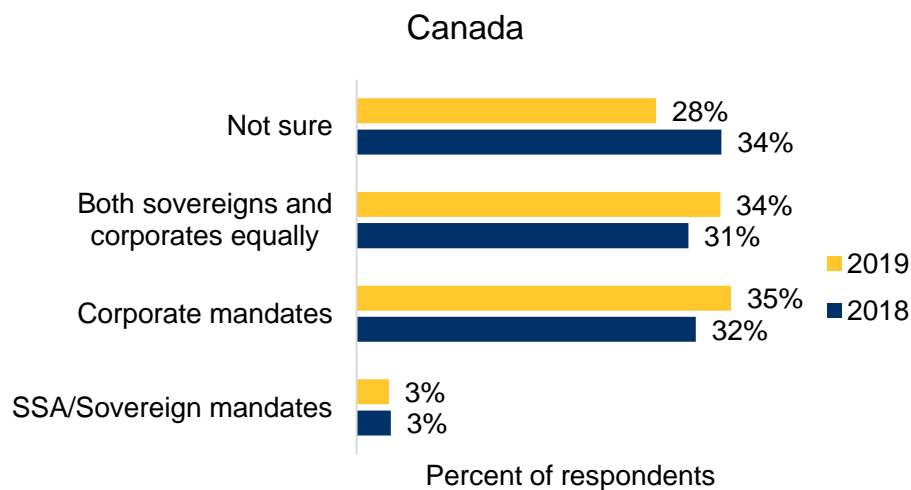
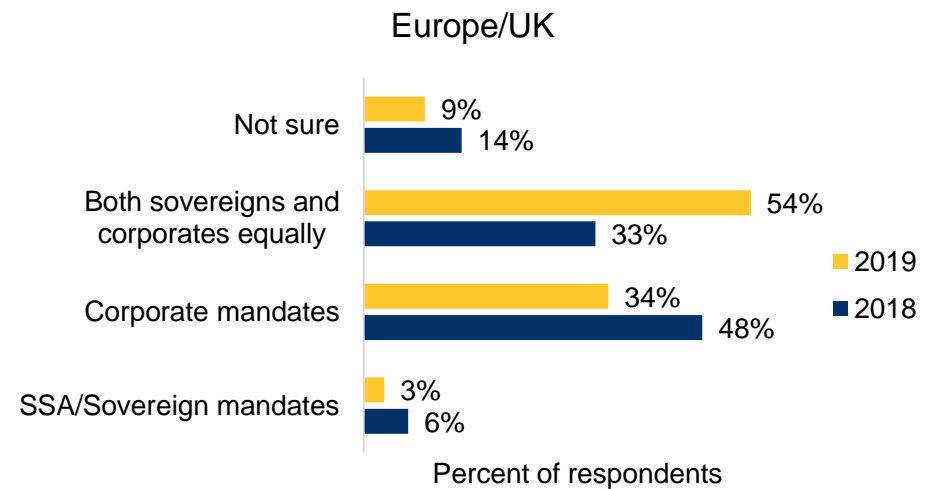
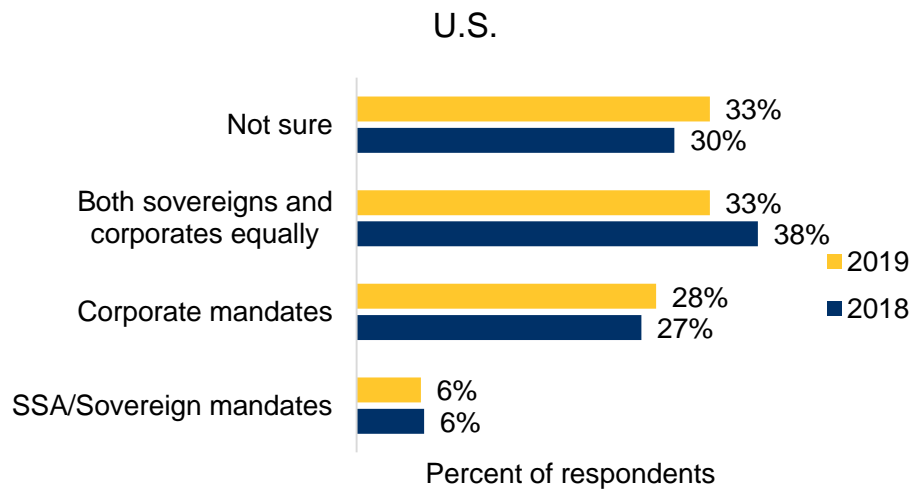
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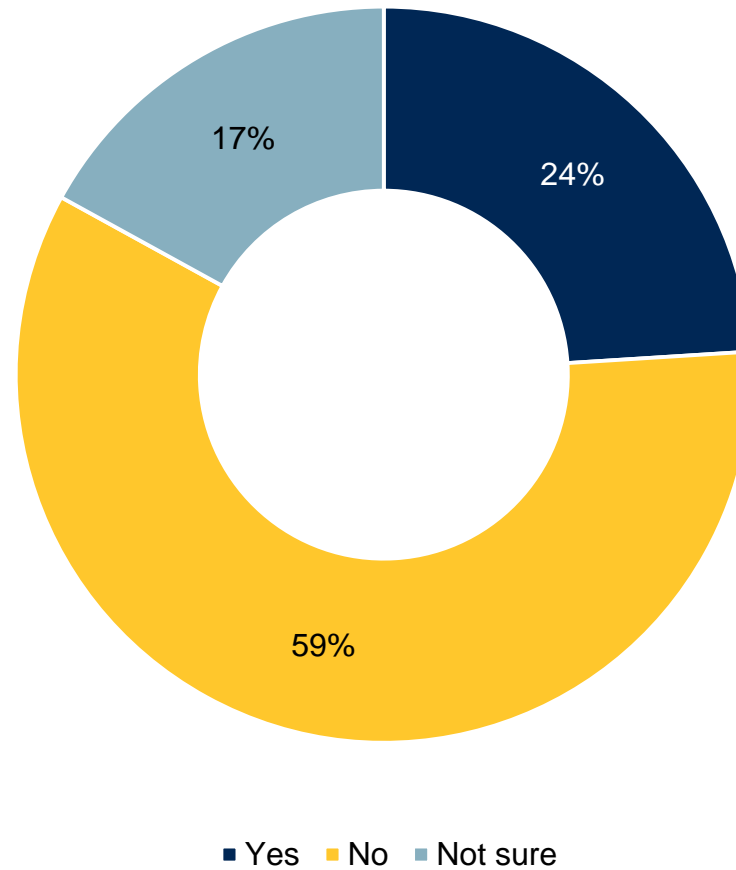
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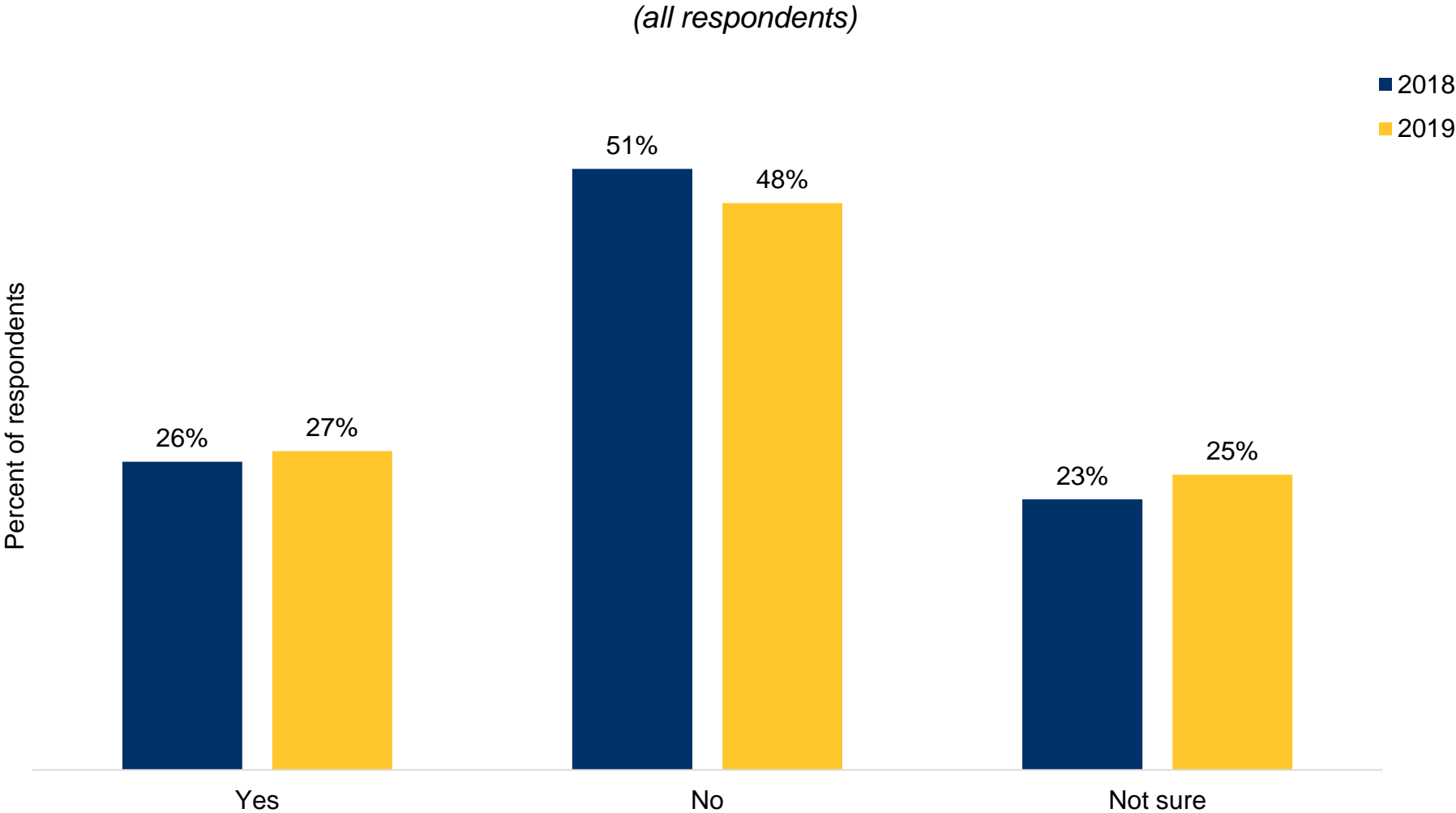
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Do you/your company have a climate action policy?

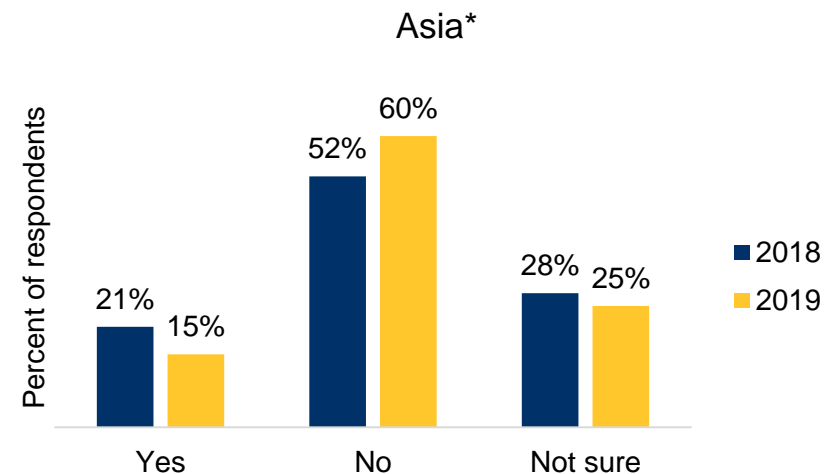
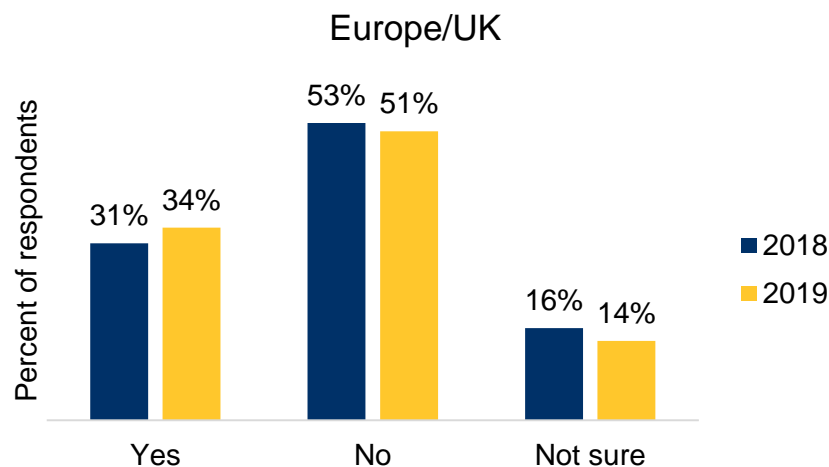
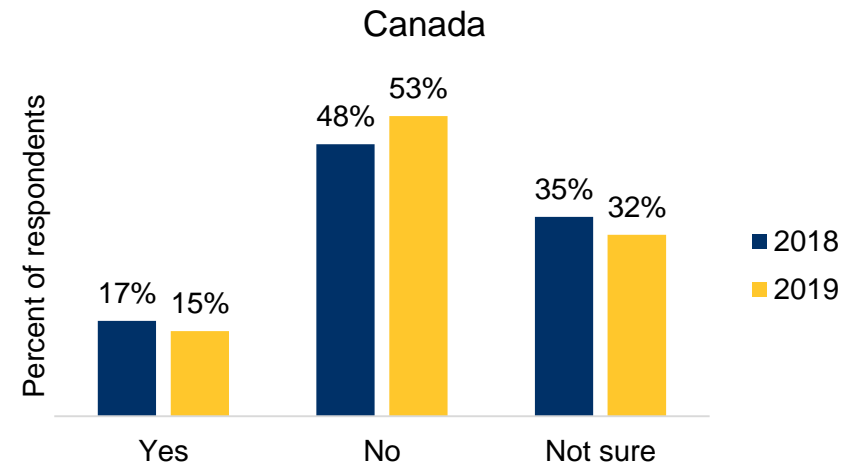
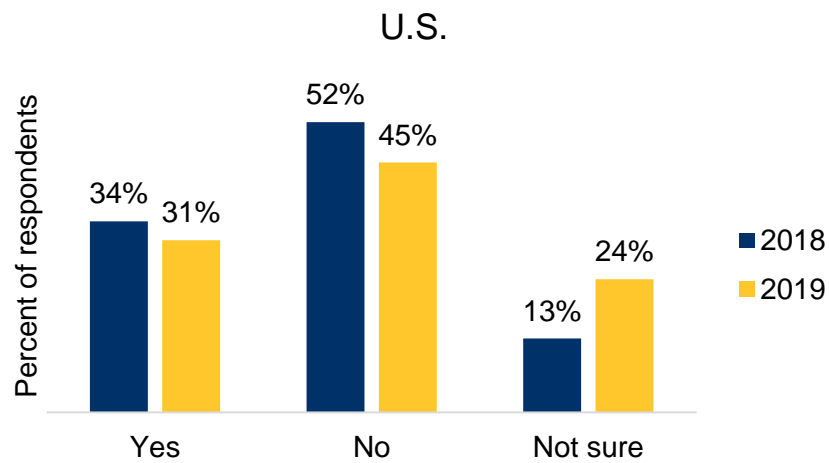
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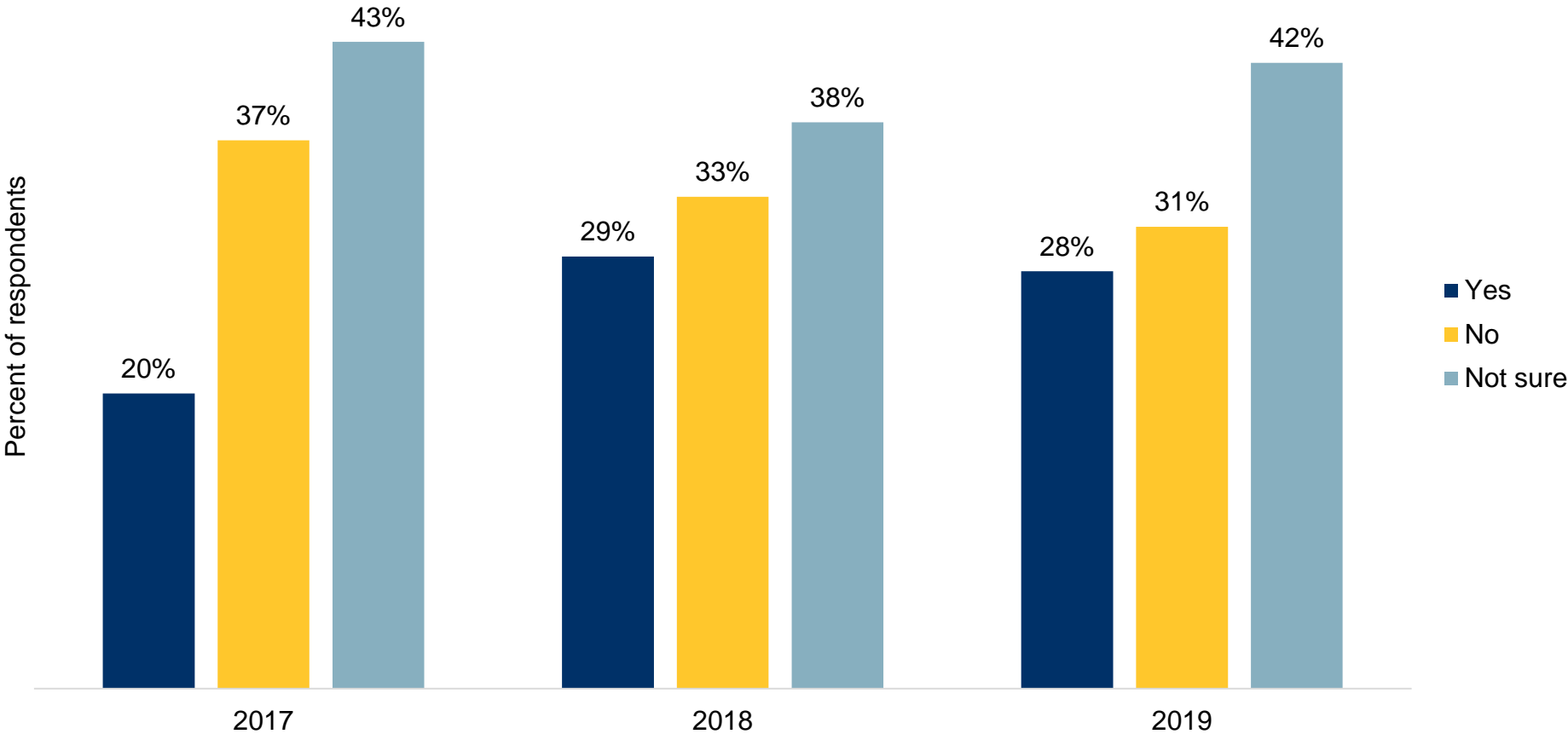
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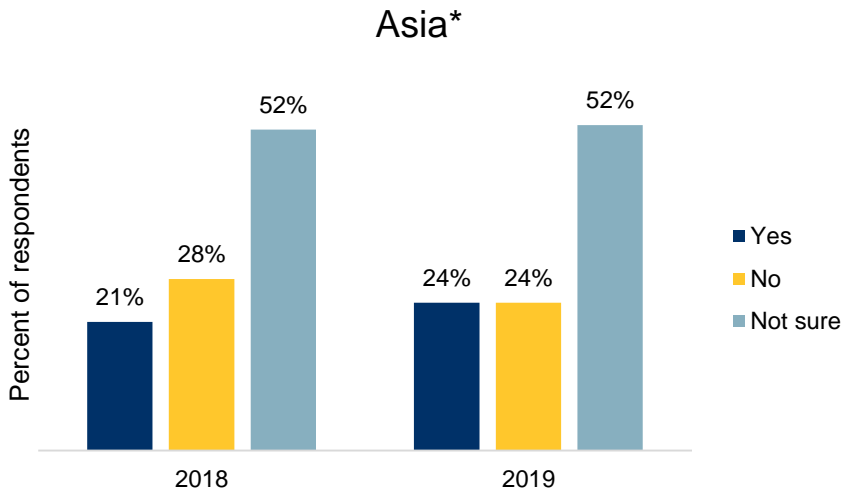
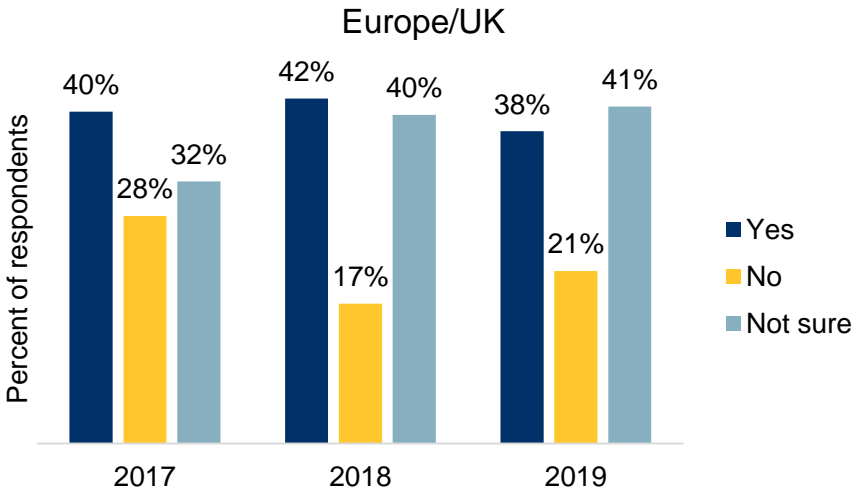
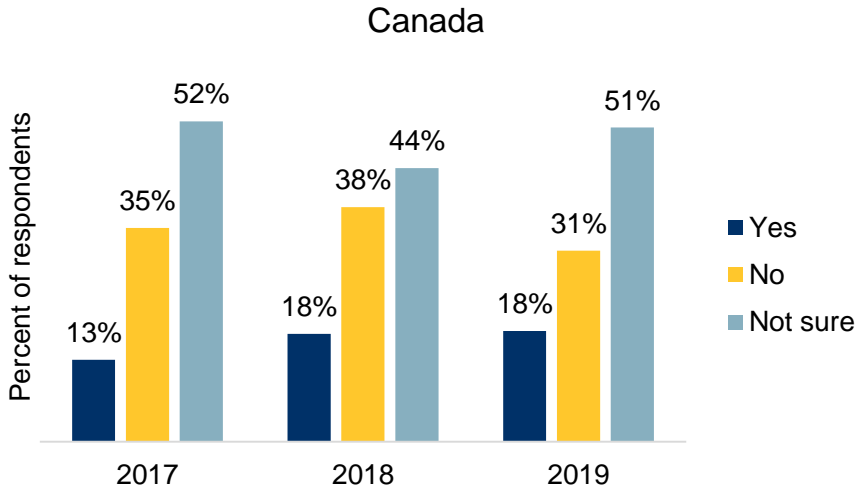
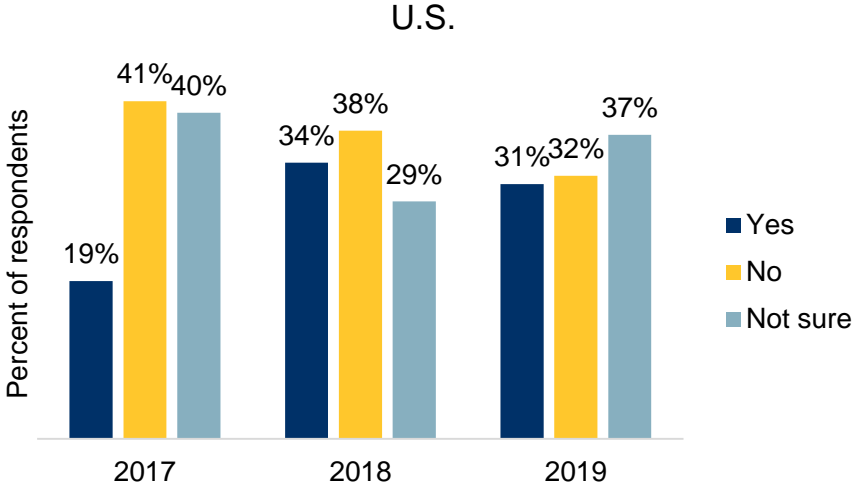
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Do you expect to allocate funds to Impact Investing as opposed to ESG/SRI in the next 1-5 years?

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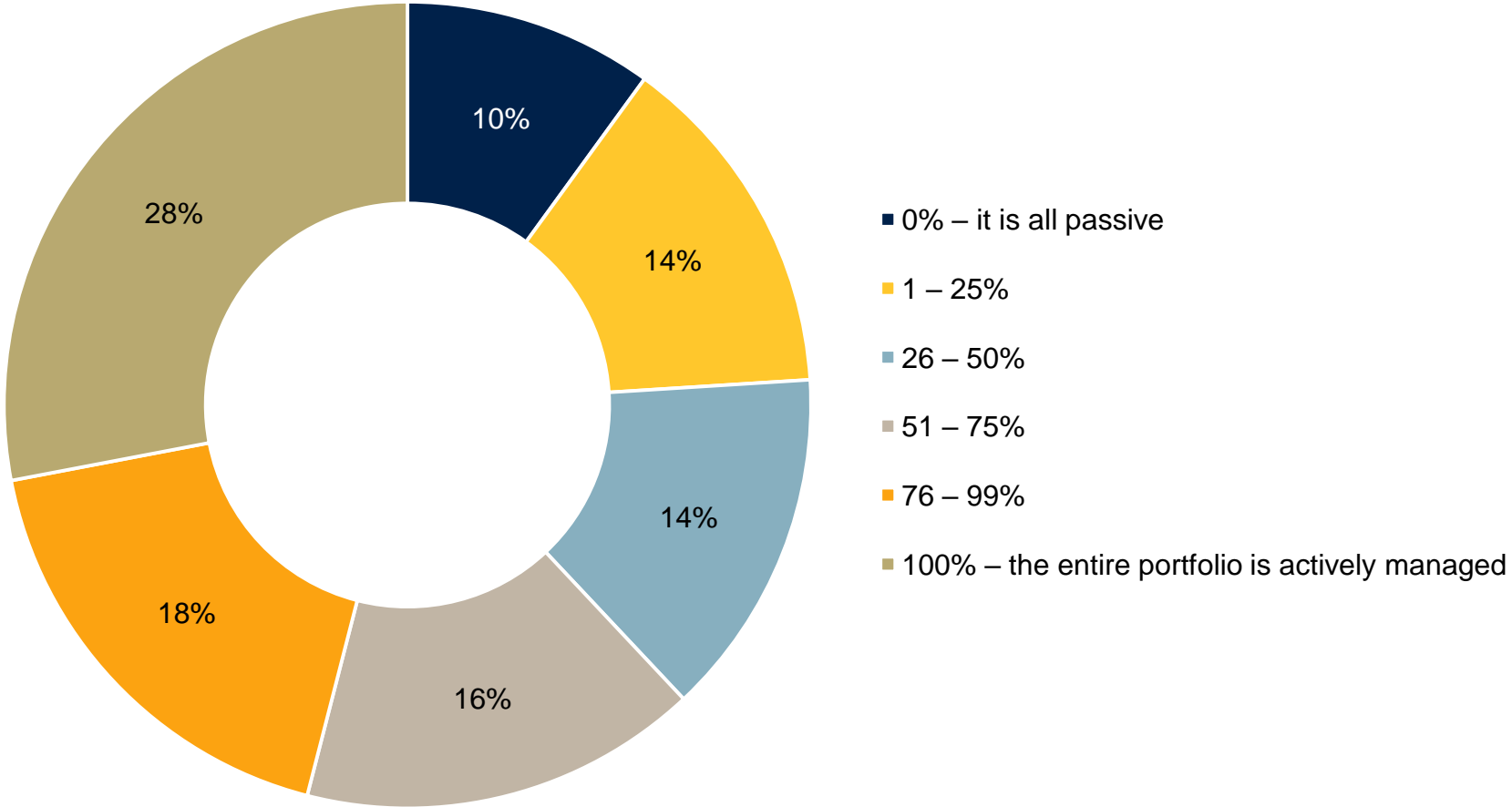


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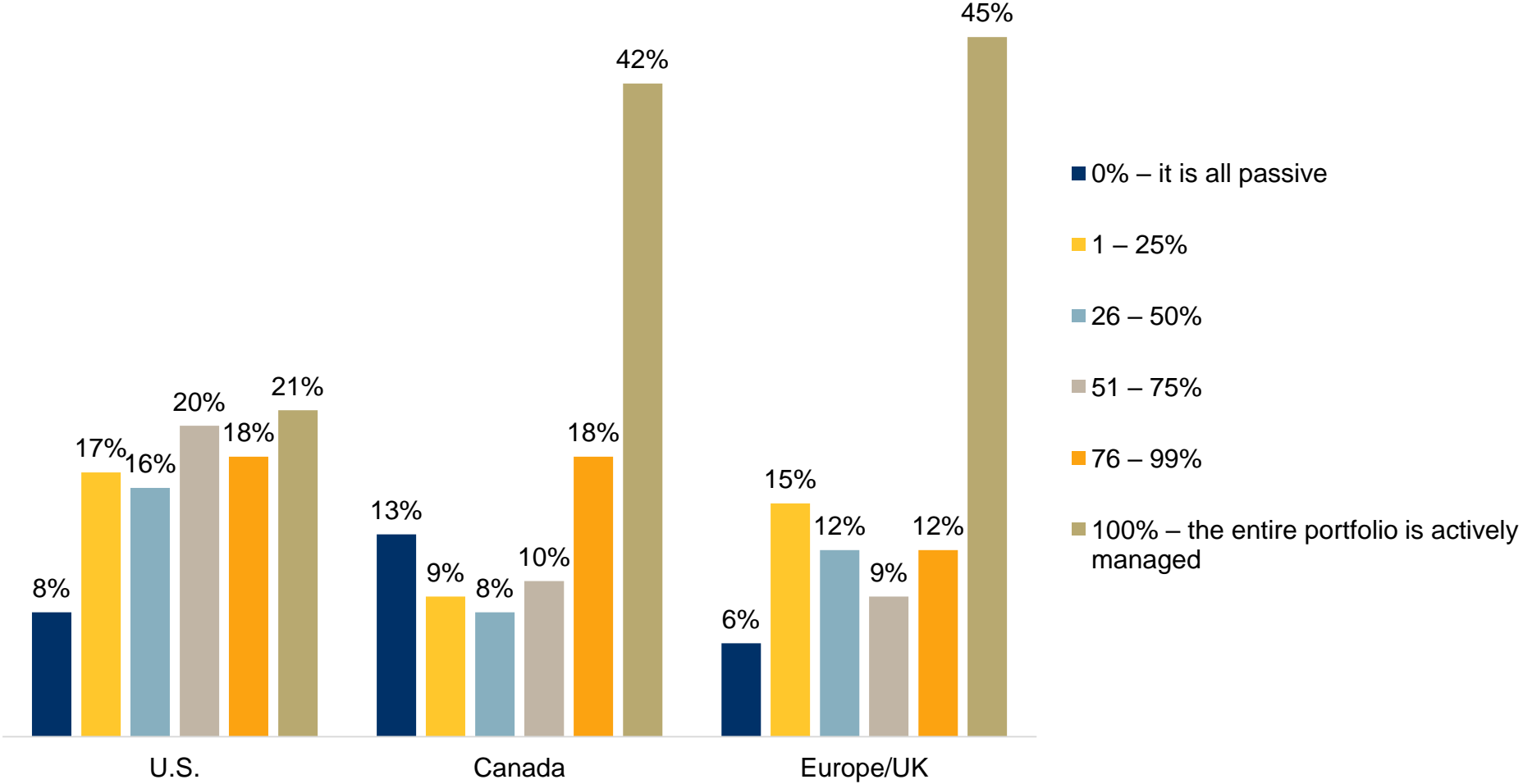


Of your portfolio that falls under the umbrella of responsible investing, what percent is actively managed (versus passively managed or index-based)?

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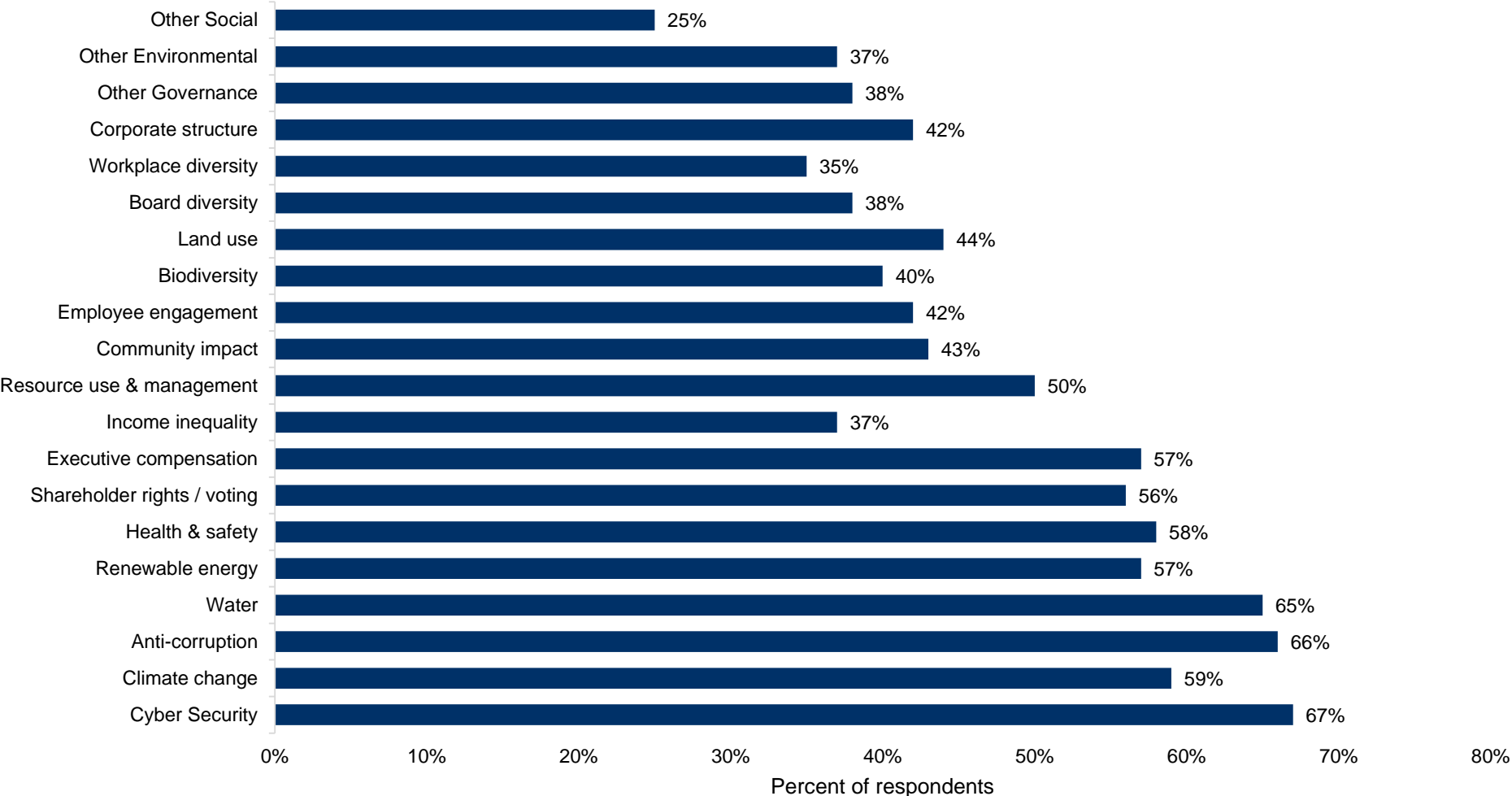


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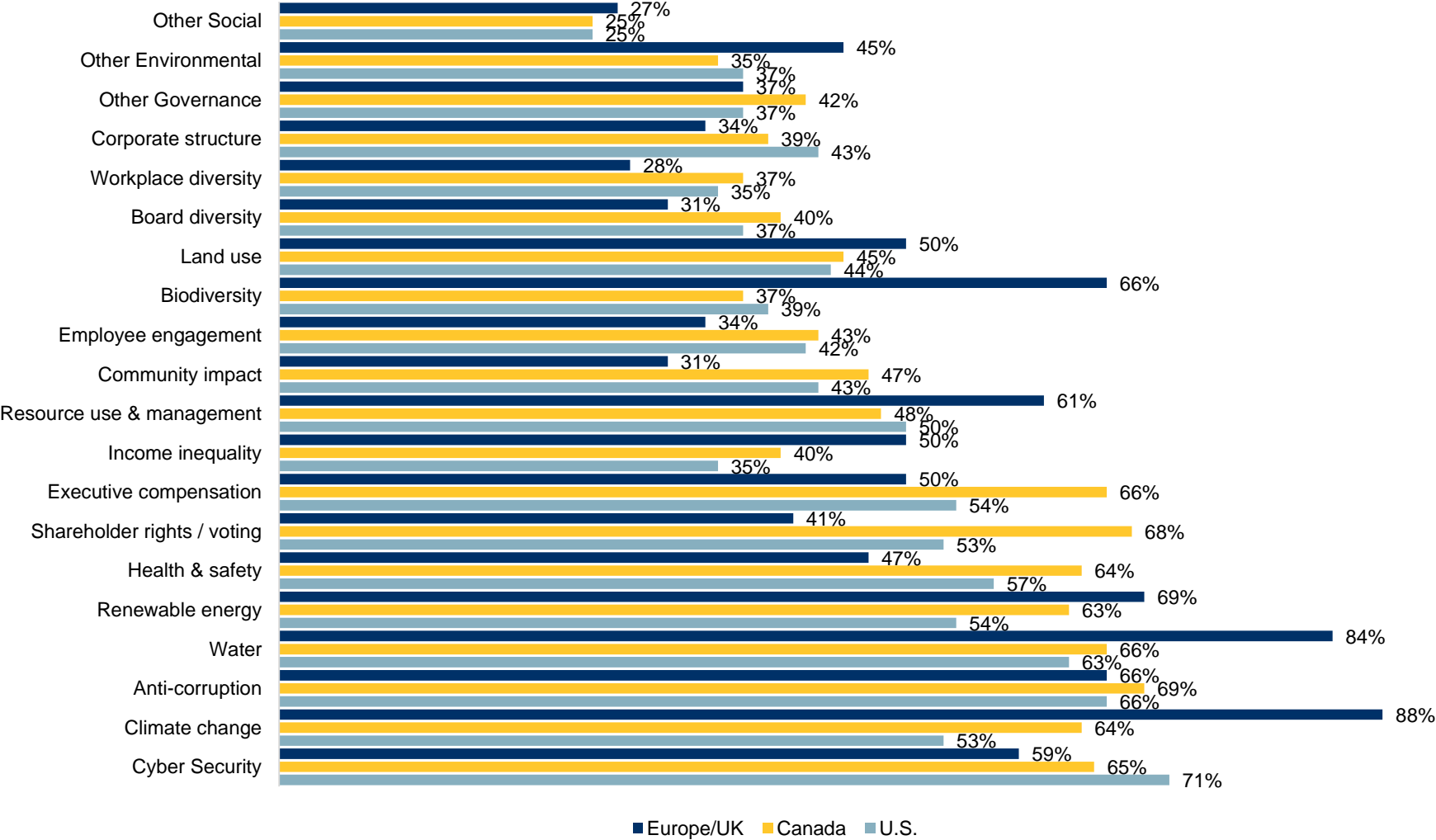
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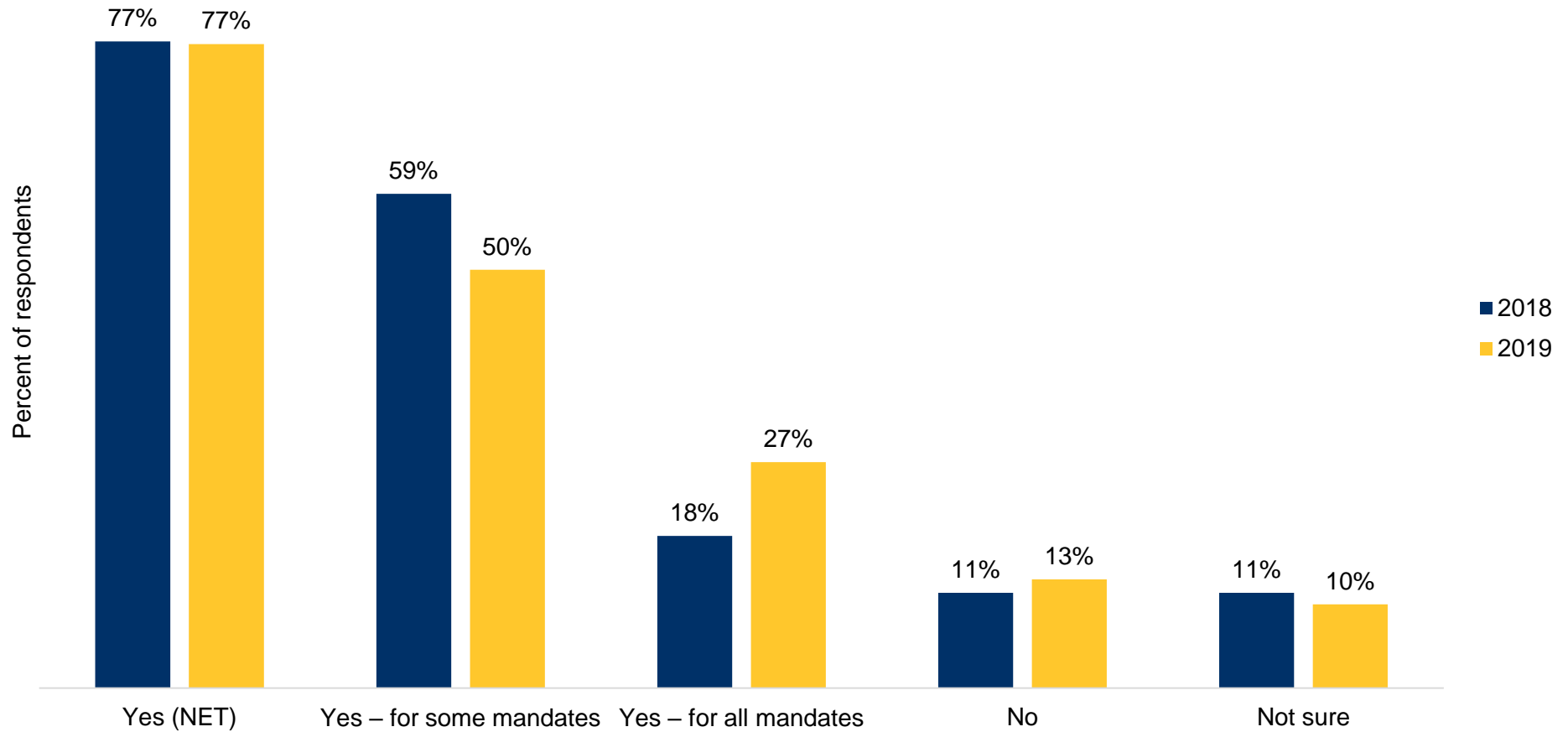
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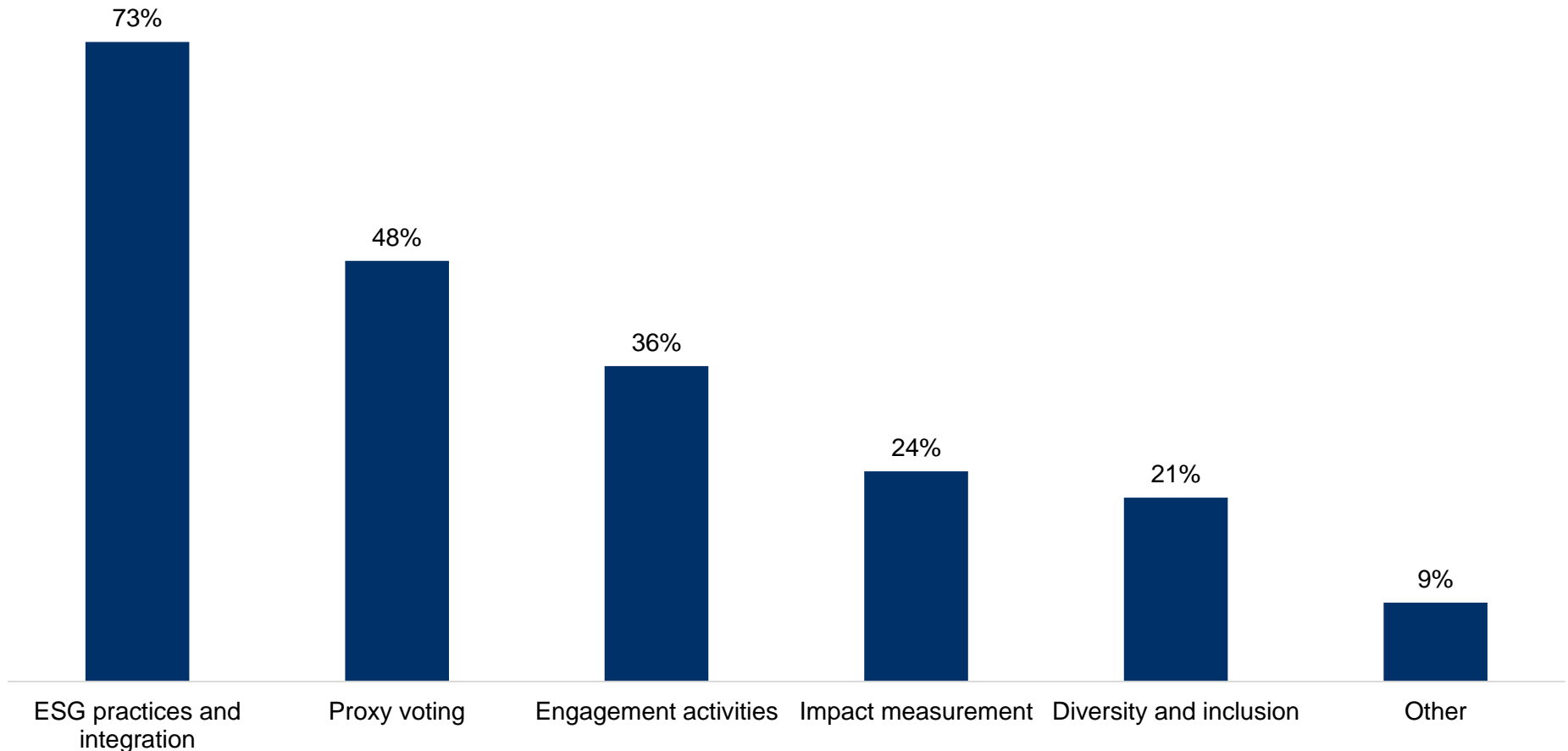
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Do you require your external manager to provide regular reporting on any of the following?

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Methodology

RBC Global Asset Management (RBC GAM) and BlueBay Asset Management LLP developed a survey of 27 questions around the topic of responsible investing.

The survey was distributed to institutional asset owners, consultants, clients, P&I Research Advisory Panel members, and members of the Pensions & Investments database throughout Canada, Europe, Asia and the United States.

Signet Research, Inc. collected and analyzed the results of 799 respondents and determined that the findings from the survey could be accepted as accurate at a 95% confidence level within a sampling tolerance of approximately +/-3.5%.

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