

EUROPEANS AND RESPONSIBLE DRIVING

Road safety: growing pessimism



Fewer than **1**
out of
2 Europeans

think that the number of road fatalities **will fall significantly** in the coming years.
(49%, compared to 55% in 2015).

The most pessimistic:

32%



Slovaks

33%



Greeks

36%



Germans

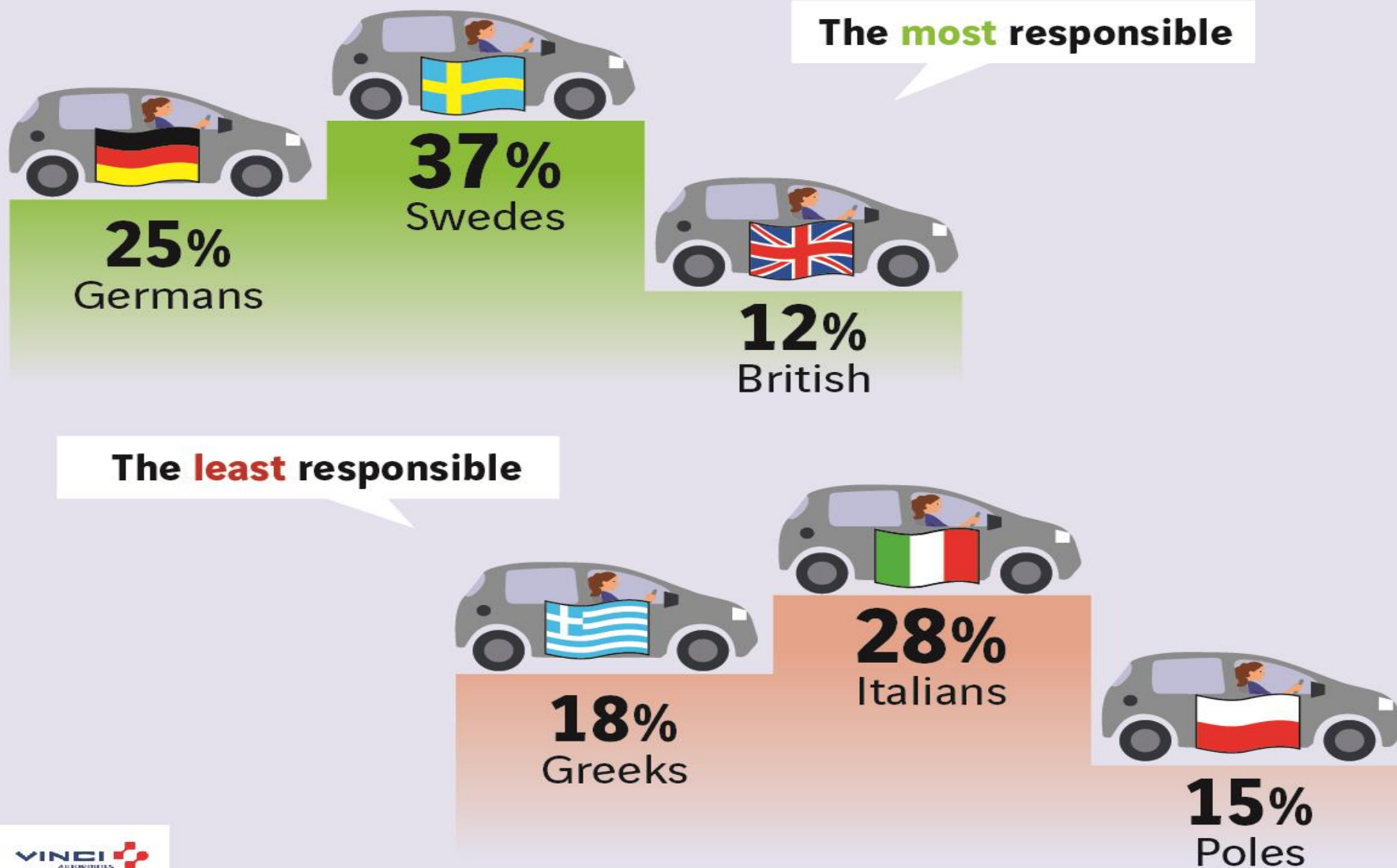


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2016 European Barometer on Responsible Driving,
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The most and least responsible drivers ranked by Europeans



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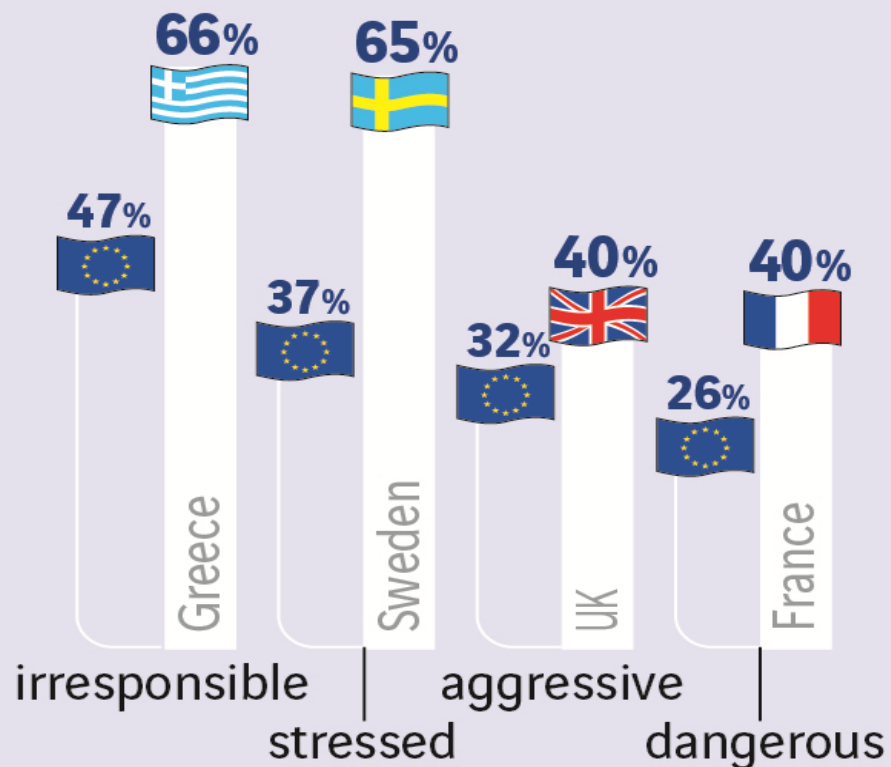
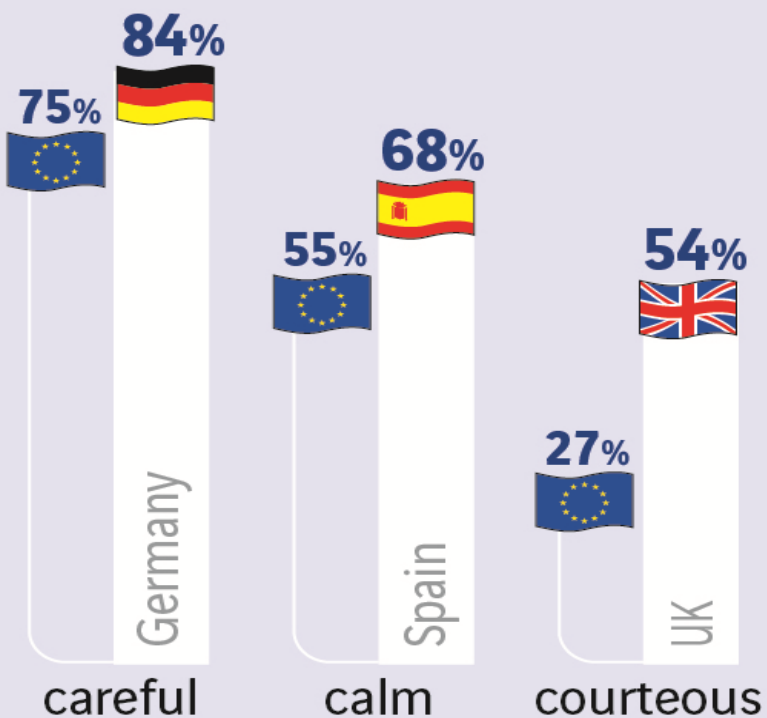
Drivers' perceptions



Sure of themselves, they describe their driving as:

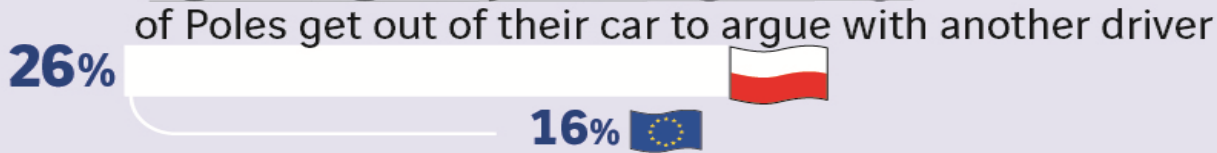
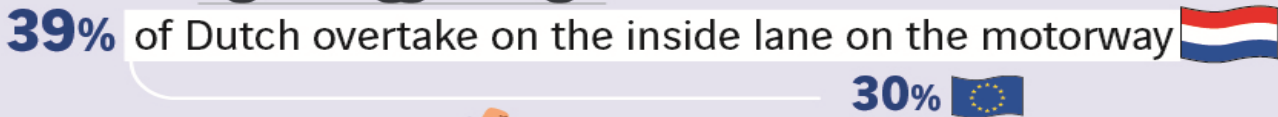
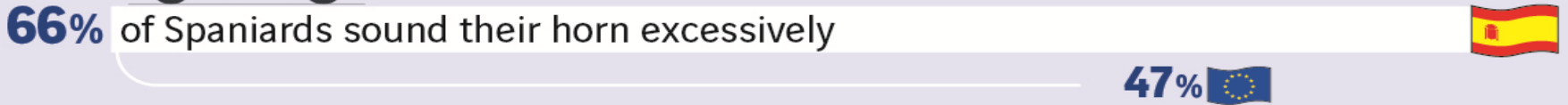
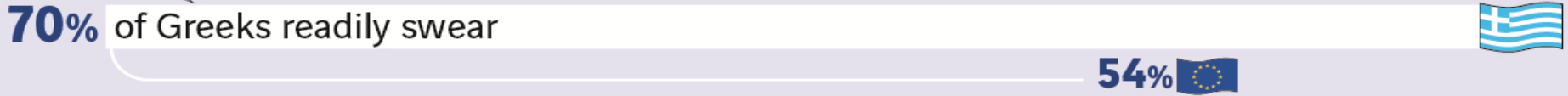


Very critical of other drivers, they consider their fellow citizens are:



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Rudeness: each nationality is disrespectful in its own way





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Each nationality has its driving faults

The Germans and Italians are easily distracted



48%  of Germans reset their GPS while driving
37% 

34%  of Italians send and receive texts or emails while driving
25% 



The French pay little attention to other drivers

76%  do not leave a safe headway
63% 



65% forget to indicate
55% 



The Swedes, Germans and Belgians need to slow down



94%  of Swedes and Germans exceed the speed limit
90% 



66%  of Belgians forget to slow down around road works
63% 





The Greeks are too negligent



55%  telephone without a hands-free kit
32% 

52%  forget to use their seat belt
22% 



31%  drive in the emergency stopping lane
10% 



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Alcohol and driving: drink or drive, still a hard choice

They drive after having drunk too much:



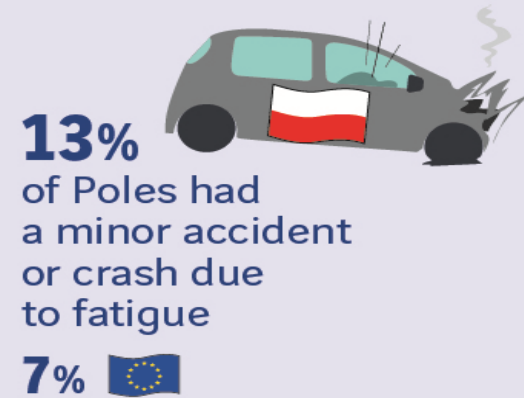
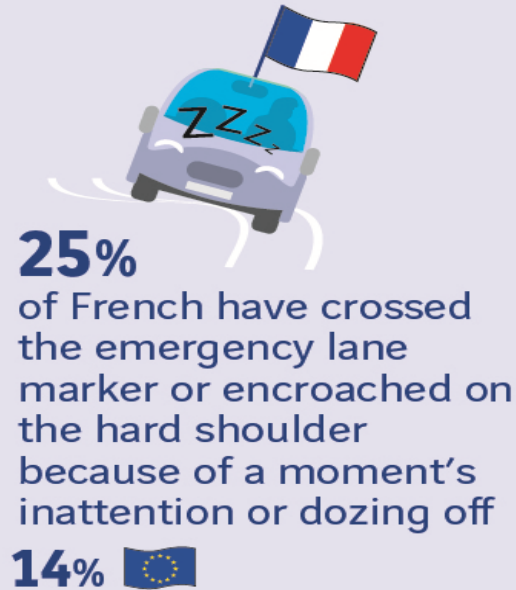
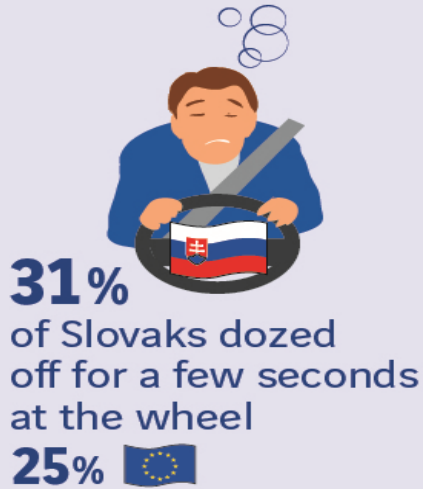
They decide not to drive after having drunk:



The legal blood alcohol content (BAC) in the countries surveyed is 0.5 g/l blood, which corresponds to approximately two standard drinks. Other limits include a BAC of 0.8 g/l in the UK, 0.2 g/l in Poland and Sweden, and zero in Slovakia.

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Drowsiness: still underestimated



Drive time without a rest:



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Distraction at the wheel:
more or less responsible drivers

They telephone without a hands-free kit while driving



55%
of Greeks



15%
of Dutch



32%

They telephone using earbuds or headphones while driving



51%
of Italians



12%
of British



31%

They adjust their GPS while driving



48%
of Germans



26%
of Spanish



37%

They send and/or receive texts or emails while driving



34%
of Italians



15%
of British



25%

They advise other drivers of an event using a smartphone app or driving aid while they are driving



25%
of Slovaks



5%
of British



15%