

Special: Nuclear support in Europe & Ireland

Just 2 important, and perhaps surprising, items in this month's newsletter - the **clear European support** for nuclear energy, and the **very positive Irish attitude** towards nuclear energy.

News of Britain funding **2 new large reactors at Sizewell** and the **Rolls Royce SMR for UK** development, as well as Meta and Microsoft buying clean energy **directly from nuclear power** stations in USA, will feature in our next newsletter.

Europe is clearly pro-nuclear

An 18for0 [summary of nuclear policies](#) and recent changes has been very well received. The pic below clearly shows strong support for nuclear energy in Europe's 30 largest countries.

21 nations now operate or plan nuclear power plants, with **5 others considering** them. Ireland and the 3 other anti-nuclear countries only use nuclear energy that is imported - an odd attitude concerning Europe's largest source of clean energy.

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European Nuclear Energy Policies (2025, selection)

● Belarus	● Belgium	● Bulgaria	● Croatia
● Czech Republic	● Estonia	● Finland	● France
● Hungary	● Netherlands	● Poland	● Romania
● Russia	● Slovakia	● Slovenia	● Spain
● Sweden	● Switzerland	● Turkey	● Ukraine
● United Kingdom	● Denmark	● Germany	● Italy
● Latvia	● Norway	● Austria	● Ireland
● Luxembourg	● Portugal		

Legend: ● Operating/Planning ● Considering/Transitioning ● Opposed

Ireland is clearly pro-nuclear

1,004 Irish respondents were **62% positive towards nuclear** energy, placing Ireland as one of Europe's most positive nations concerning nuclear energy (2024 Eurobarometer poll).

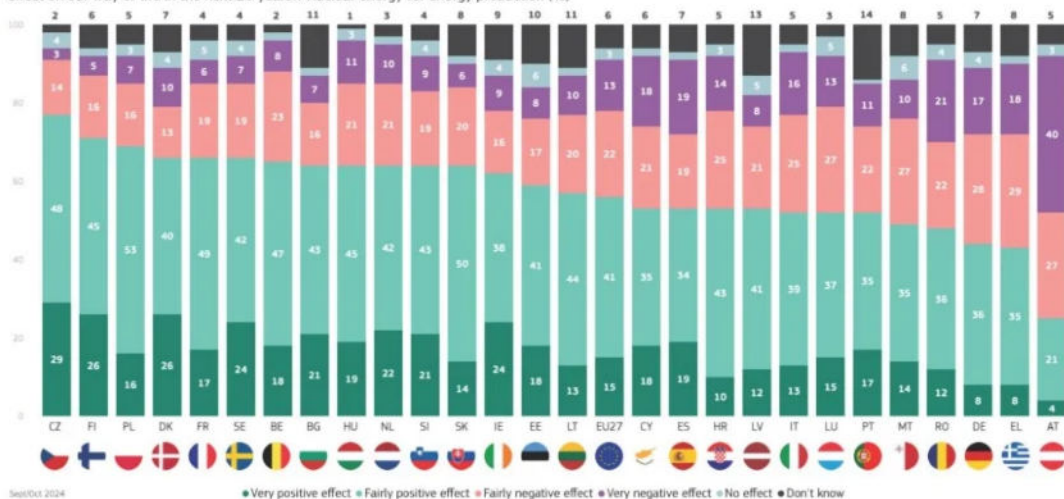
25% were negative, a decrease of 14% from previous poll.

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As the image below is hard to read, it is also available [here](#).

The question posed: Do you think Nuclear energy for energy production will have a positive, a negative or no effect on our way of life in the next 20 years?

QA6a.8. The following is a list of areas where new technologies are currently being developed. For each of these, do you think it will have a positive, a negative or no effect on our way of life in the next 20 years? - Nuclear energy for energy production (%)



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18for0 - an Irish voluntary group of professionals - firmly believe that Ireland must assess every technology for its ability to assure our clean energy future. After all, if we haven't got all the information, how can we know that we're making the right decisions?

This newsletter is important to us, as it keeps you updated on relevant developments about nuclear energy suitable for Ireland, confirms your vital part in our community and lets you know what we've been up to.

We welcome any [ideas, help or feedback](#) that you might like to offer.

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