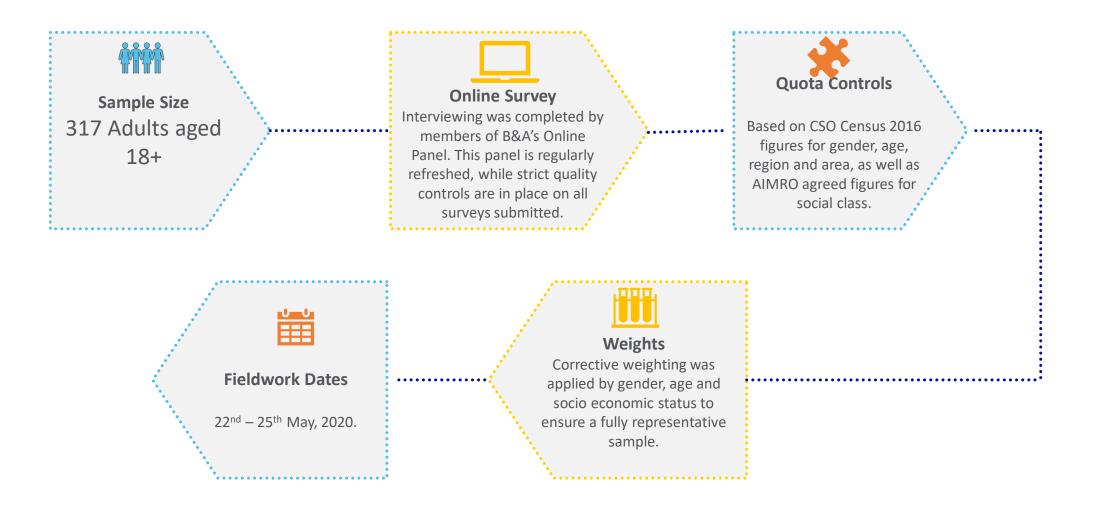
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## Tracker Study: Re-Opening Ireland

#### Methodology



#### A nationally representative online survey of 371 adults aged 18+



#### **Summary of Findings**



Significant increases in the number of individuals working from home, furloughed and made unemployed are evident since the onset of Covid-19.

Full-time working from home is most evident amongst those aged 18-49 years and from an ABC1 socio-economic background. Those aged under 35 years are more likely than the average individual to have been made unemployed due to Covid-19, while working part-time from home is significantly more prevalent amongst females than males.

Half of all Irish adults actually report that their personal finances have remained the same since the beginning of the Covid 19 crisis, a third report their personal finances have disimproved, with one in six (presumably those on Government support) actually reporting an improvement in their personal finances.

Six in ten have managed to build up cash reserves by way of saving money since the beginning of the crisis – a positive indication of a potential spending boost once restrictions are lifted.

Twice as many individuals expect to spend more money as businesses reopen as expect to spend less – another positive indicator of the likely economic boost when things begin to return to a 'new normal'.

Given the onset of the crisis during the typical holiday booking season, it is perhaps not surprising that six in ten of all adults had to cancel an overseas holiday as a direct result. Of the 60% of adults who had to cancel any type of holiday because of the crisis, 44% expect to spend the money they saved on other products and services in Ireland instead.

Key purchases being planned for the next six months include household furnishings/goods and home improvements, purchasing (re-purchasing?) car insurance, and buying health insurance.

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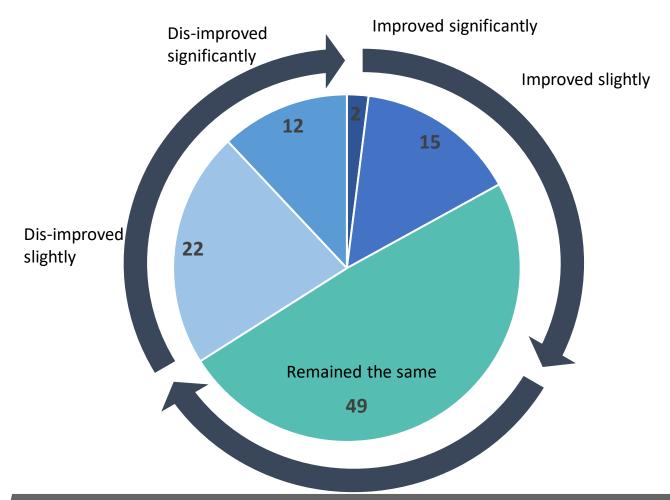
The power of TV as a reliable and trusted source of information and entertainment remains strong across all demographic groupings.

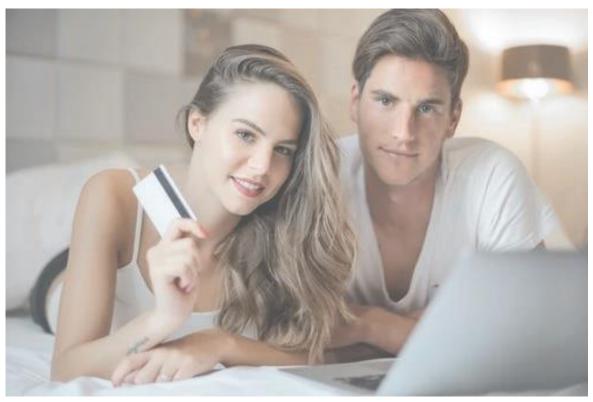
TV has been by far the most trusted source of advertising during the Covid 19 crisis, followed at some remove by radio.

#### 2/3 of people report that their personal finances have remained the same or improved since the onset of the Covid-19 crisis



Base: All Adults 18+ N - 317





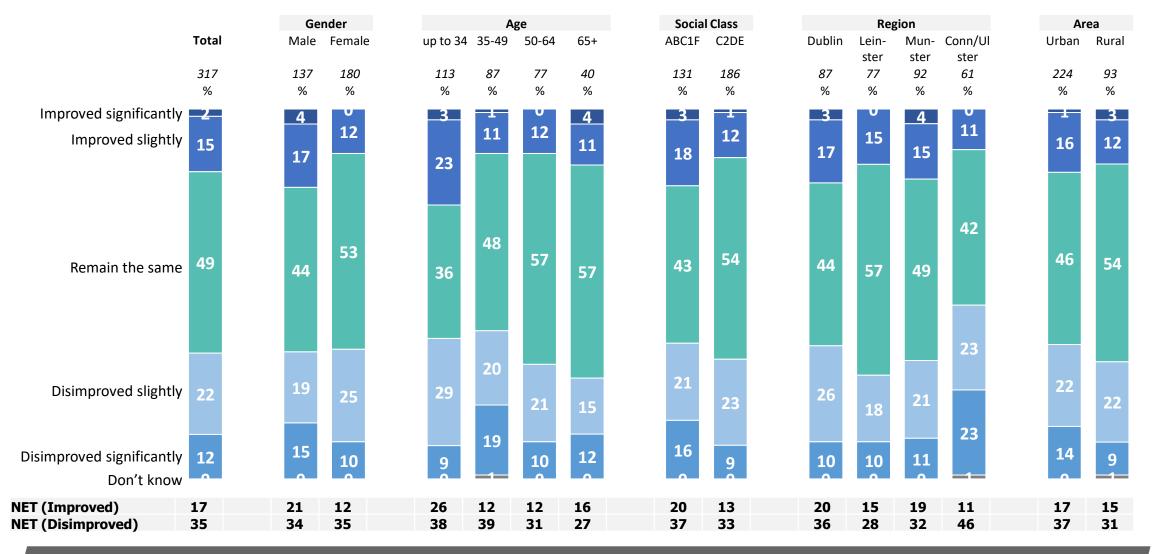
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#### Extent to which personal finances have been impacted by Covid-19



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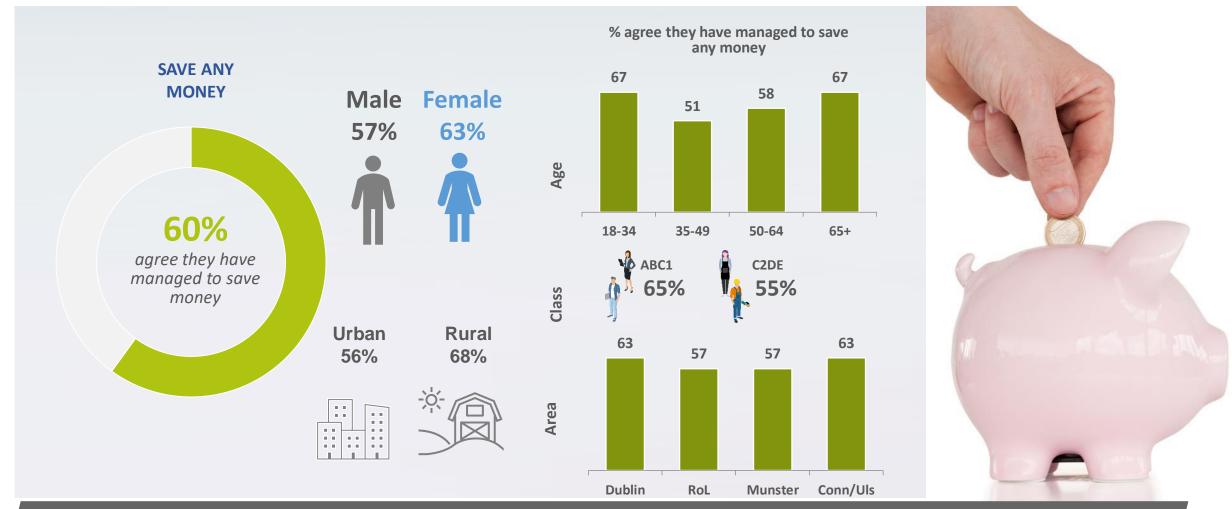
Males, and those aged 18-34 years, are significantly more likely than the average individual to report improved personal finances.

#### 60% of people have saved money during the crisis



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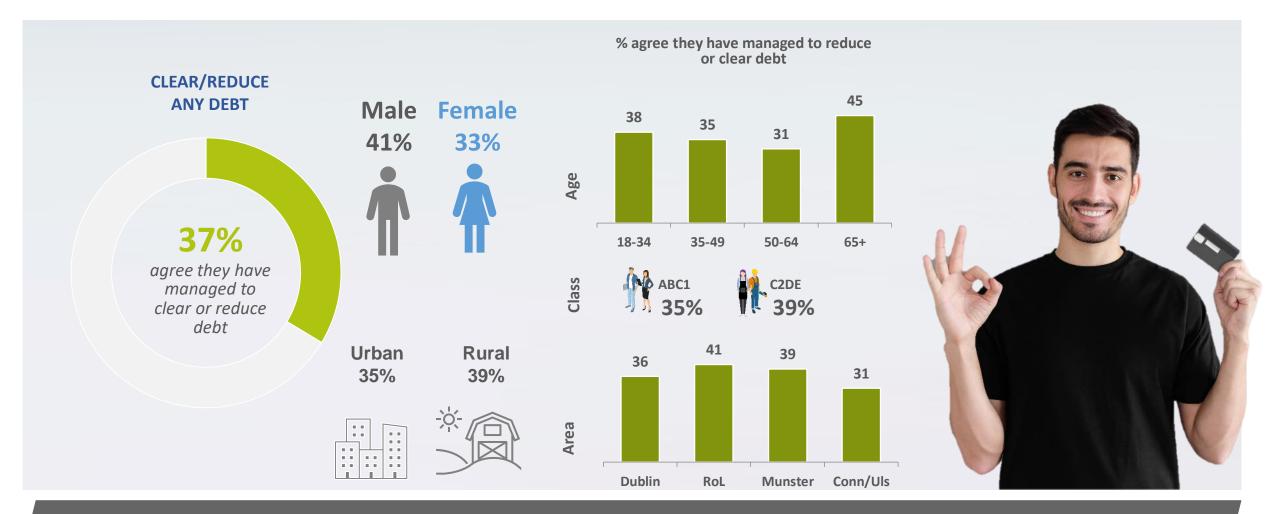
Q.4 Have you managed to save any money since the beginning of the COVID 19 crisis?

#### And 37% have managed to clear or reduce debt



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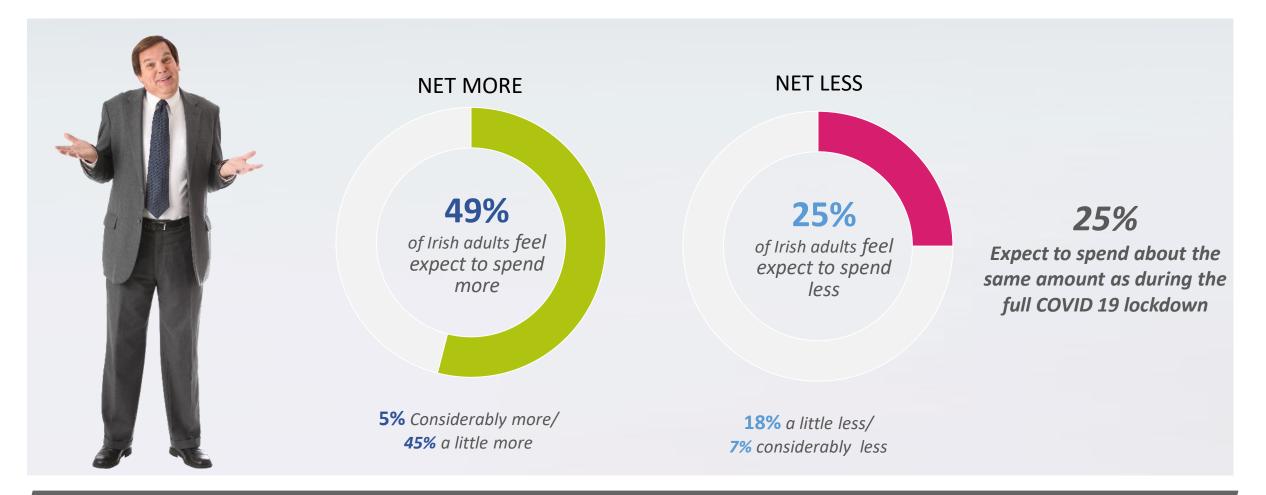
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In addition to increased savings, 37% report having managed to clear or reduce debt since the beginning of the crisis.

#### Expected expenditure when business reopens

Base: All Adults 18+ N - 317



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#### % agree they will spend more when businesses reopen Female Male 51% Expect to spend considerably more 56 52 48 Expect to spend considerably less 43 Age Expect to spend a little less 18 18-34 35-49 50-64 65+ ABC1 Class C2DE Expect to spend a little more 45 46% 53% 56 51 45 43 25 Area Expect to spend about the same amount as during the full COVID 19 lockdown Dublin RoL Munster Conn/Uls

The propensity to spend more when businesses reopen over-indexes among those living in the Greater Dublin Area, as well as those in the youngest (18-34 years) and oldest (65 years+) age categories.

Q.6 As businesses continue to re-open, do you expect you will be spending more money, less money, or about the same amount of money each week compared to what you were spending when most businesses were closed?

#### **Expected expenditure when business reopens**

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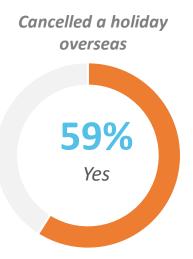
#### Incidence of having to cancel a holiday

Base: All Adults 18+ N - 317



Higher among:

65+	48%
Working full time	45%
Student	54%



Higher among:

Female	63%
50-64	64%
Dublin	64%
Working full-time	67%
Those with adult children age 20+ in h/hold	71%

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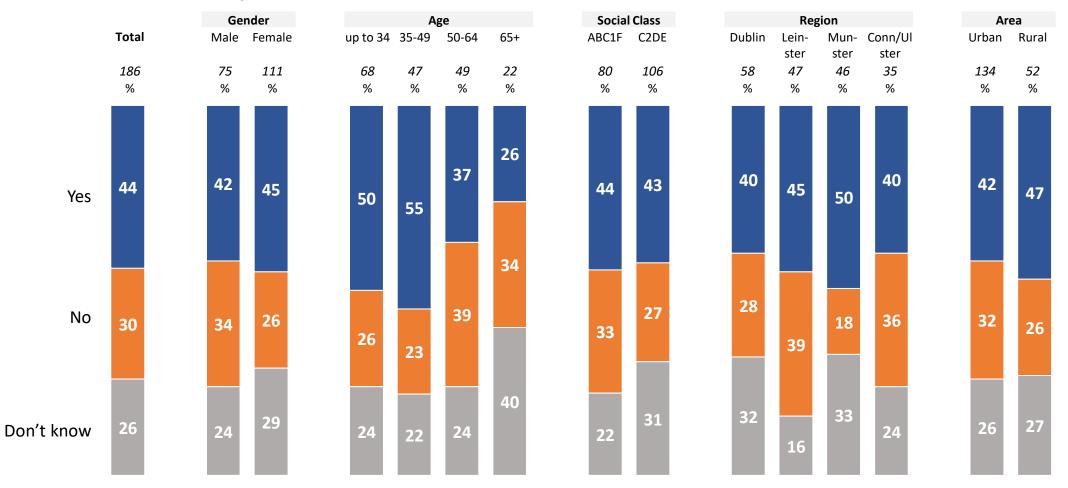


#### Over four in ten expect to spend the money they have saved on holidays on other products and services in Ireland



Base: All Adults who had to cancel holiday 18+ N - 186

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Of the 60% of adults who had to cancel any type of holiday because of the crisis, 44% expect to spend the money they saved on other products and services in Ireland instead, with a further 26% still uncertain as to what they will do with the money. Those aged 18-49 years are most likely of all to spend their holiday 'savings' on other products and services in Ireland.

Q.9 And will you be spending any of the money that you have saved from that/those holidays on other products and services in Ireland instead?

#### Summary purchase plans post Covid

Purchase household

Base: All Adults 18+ N - 317

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Purchase household furnishings/goods	21	21		29	8	21
Buy car insurance	19	26		38		2 15
Invest in home improvements	16	13	20	13	39	
Purchase a holiday in Ireland	14	25		29	5	27
Buy health insurance	11 8	26	3		52	
Buy A New Mobile Phone	8 11	19	15		46	
Change electricity or gas provider	7 10	18 4	4		61	
Change Broadband provider	7 11	19	4		60	
Change Mobile Phone Provider	6 5 14	2		72		
Apply for a new digital banking card	5 2 5 3			85		
Purchase a holiday abroad	4 16		35	20		24
Buy travel insurance	4 10	27	8		51	
Buy life insurance	3 3 11 3			80		
Move to a new home	3 1 8 13			75		
Buy a new car	2 3 11	31			54	
Apply for a new bank account	2 2 3 <b>1</b>			91		
Apply for a new credit card	<b>02</b> 2			95		
Buy a home for the first time	11 4 10			85		
Switch mortgage provider	<b>m</b> 4			93		

Key purchases being planned for the next six months include household furnishings/goods and home improvements, purchasing (repurchasing?) car insurance, and buying health insurance.

Q.10 When, if at all, do you expect to do each of the following?

#### Frequency of Purchasing Irish brands from smaller local shops and suppliers since the onset of Covid-19 crisis

Base: All Adults 18+ N - 317

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ABC1s are significantly more likely to have been purchasing more Irish brands from local shops than have their C2DE counterparts.

Q.12 To what extent have you been doing more, less, or about the same amount of each of the following, since the onset of the COVID 19 crisis?

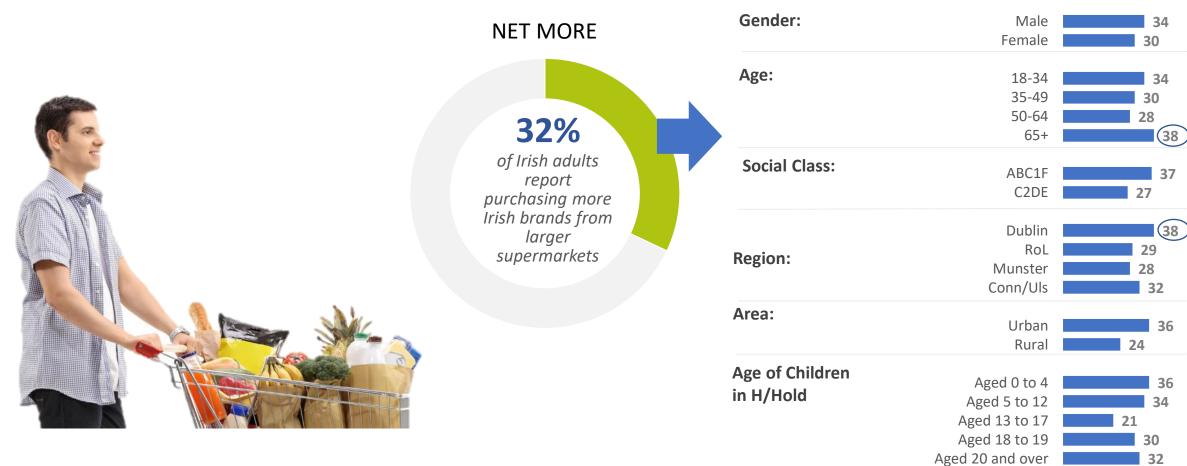
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### Frequency of Purchasing Irish brands from larger supermarkets since the onset of Covid 19 crisis

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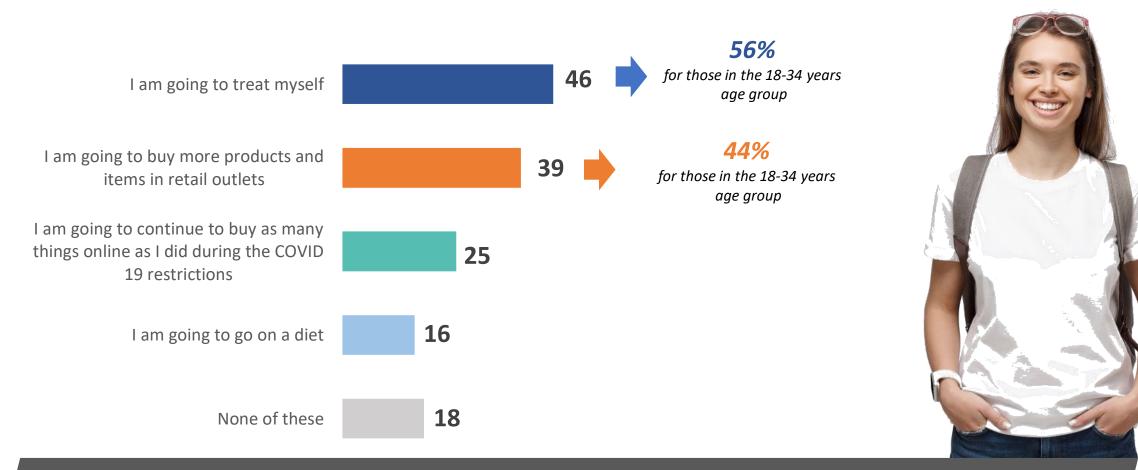
Increased purchasing of Irish brands from larger supermarkets peaks in the Dublin area.

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#### Intentions once Covid 19 restrictions lifted

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Younger people in particular are planning to treat themselves once all or most of the Covid 19 restrictions are lifted, with significant retail therapy also in the offing. 1 in 6 of us are also planning on shedding a few lbs. as we emerged from hibernation.

Q.11 Which of the following do you intend to do once all or most of the COVID 19 restrictions are lifted?

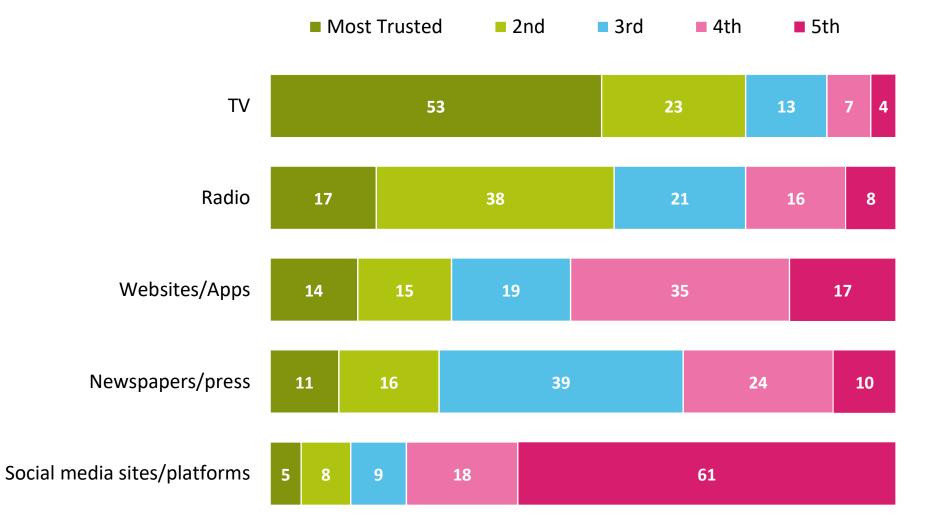
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#### Most trusted source

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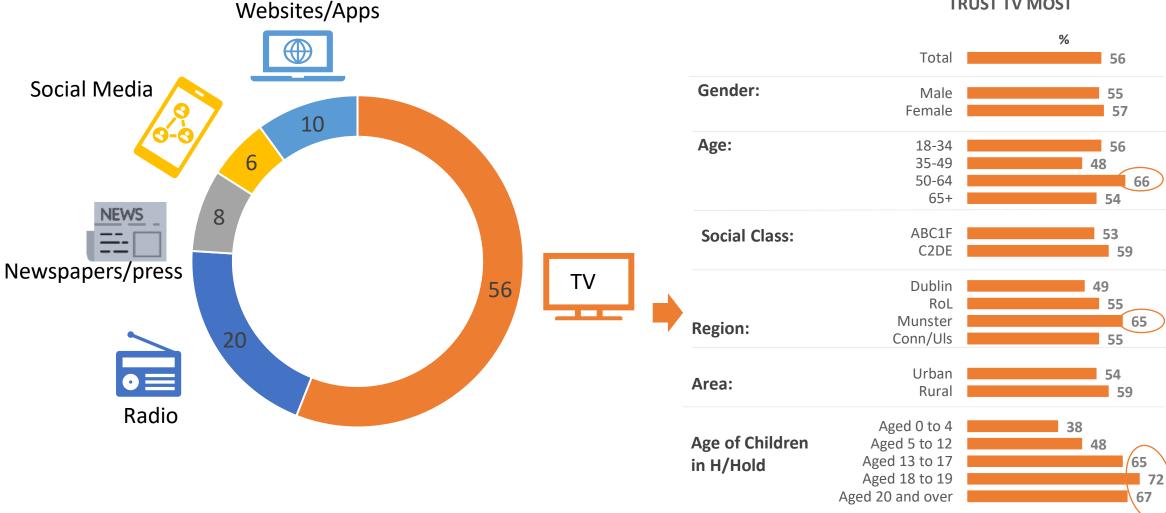


Social media has been by far the least trusted source of news and information during the Covid 19 crisis.

Q.17And please rank each of these sources from 1 to 5, where 1 is the source of news and information that you have trusted most during the COVID 19 crisis, and 5 is the source that you have trusted least?

#### Most trusted source of Advertising communication

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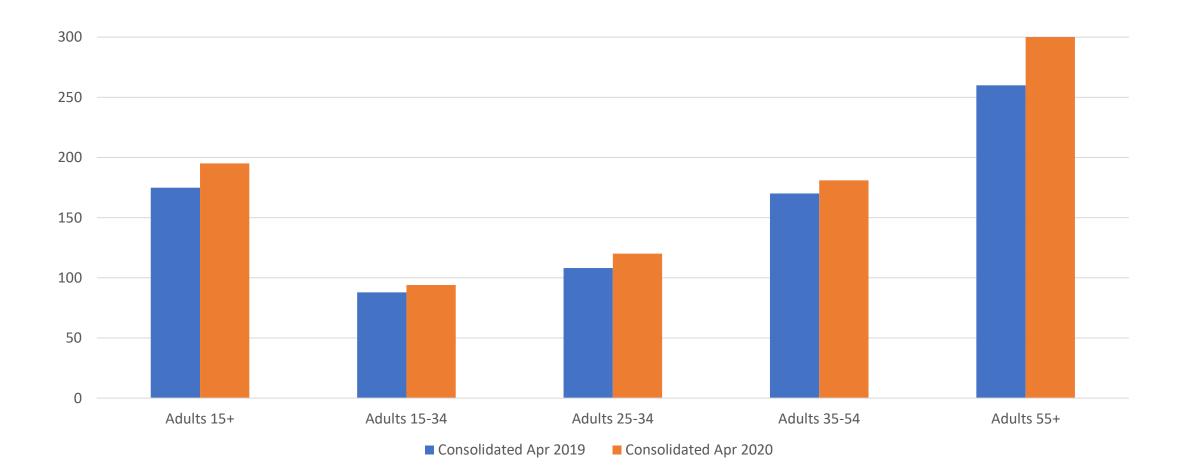
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#### **Television Viewing: Consolidated Minutes viewed daily**



April 2020 V April 2019

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TV viewing in April was strong across demographic groupings.