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How many years do you think it will take for humans to die out, or do you think humans will not die out?

Less than 100 years	3	3	4	2	3	4	3	4	3	4	3	3	2	5	5	3	4	3	2
101 - 500 years	12	7	16	17	15	10	12	13	15	16	10	7	13	12	9	13	11	13	17
501 - 1000 years	10	8	11	10	12	9	10	11	15	10	11	10	12	9	11	10	10	10	14
More than 1000 years	24	24	29	32	30	21	30	19	25	27	22	20	28	19	23	26	27	22	19
Not applicable - I don't think humans will ever die out	23	31	17	14	17	30	21	25	11	18	29	29	22	24	24	20	24	27	18
Don't know	27	27	24	26	24	27	25	28	30	25	25	30	23	31	28	29	25	24	31

How likely or unlikely do you think it is that a human extinction event will strike in your lifetime?

Very likely	2	1	3	2	3	2	3	2	2	3	2	2	2	3	3	2	2	3	3
Somewhat likely	7	4	7	6	6	5	7	6	11	8	6	2	7	6	5	8	7	4	8
TOTAL LIKELY	9	5	10	8	9	7	10	8	13	11	8	4	9	9	8	10	9	7	11
Somewhat unlikely	22	17	27	25	26	17	21	23	25	25	20	16	22	21	23	21	20	24	22
Very unlikely	57	70	53	55	55	66	59	56	42	51	64	69	58	56	53	59	60	57	53
TOTAL UNLIKELY	79	87	80	80	81	83	80	79	67	76	84	85	80	77	76	80	80	81	75
Don't know	12	8	10	12	10	10	10	13	20	13	8	11	10	14	16	10	12	12	14

If a human extinction event were to occur, do you think it is more likely to be a result of technology (e.g. artificial intelligence or nuclear weaponry), or an environmental cause (e.g. climate change or an asteroid)?

Technology	27	31	22	16	19	33	31	24	19	26	31	29	26	29	26	30	27	24	29
An environmental cause	51	44	63	63	64	44	51	51	53	55	49	45	55	46	51	49	53	52	50
Don't know	22	25	16	21	17	23	18	25	28	19	20	26	19	25	23	21	20	24	21

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And which of the following, if any, do you think are the most likely to cause human extinction? Please select up to three.

Nuclear war	43	44	47	37	44	44	44	43	40	43	43	46	44	43	40	43	43	43	50
Global warming / climate change	42	30	61	54	58	31	37	47	52	46	38	35	46	37	41	41	40	46	45
A pandemic	30	30	30	38	35	29	28	31	18	26	33	38	31	28	32	30	28	30	29
A meteor / asteroid	25	30	23	29	27	30	31	20	14	25	30	27	26	24	29	25	28	22	26
An extreme seismic event (volcano / tsunami)	23	25	22	26	24	23	22	24	22	22	25	22	25	20	23	25	23	20	19
The bees dying out	16	13	20	19	19	15	12	18	14	15	14	19	15	16	11	18	15	14	16
A solar flare	7	9	4	5	6	8	8	6	11	7	7	8	8	6	7	7	7	8	9
A religious apocalypse	5	6	4	2	3	6	6	3	4	6	5	3	4	6	4	4	5	4	7
Robots / artificial intelligence	7	10	6	3	5	9	8	7	10	6	8	8	7	8	7	7	8	8	6
An alien invasion	2	2	1	0	0	3	2	1	3	1	2	2	1	2	3	2	2	1	0
Other	3	3	2	1	2	4	3	2	2	2	2	3	2	3	2	3	3	2	2
Don't know	14	13	9	15	8	14	12	16	18	15	10	14	12	18	15	12	16	16	11

And do you think the government should or should not be developing realistic contingency plans for the following threats?

Global warming / climate change

Should be developing a contingency plan	81	78	92	91	91	75	77	85	76	81	82	81	85	75	83	80	82	80	79
Should not be developing a contingency plan	8	12	3	5	3	13	12	5	9	6	10	10	7	10	6	9	9	8	9
Don't know	11	9	6	4	6	12	12	10	15	13	7	9	8	14	10	11	9	12	11

A meteor / asteroid

Should be developing a contingency plan	57	58	61	59	61	55	59	55	57	59	58	51	59	54	58	55	59	55	60
Should not be developing a contingency plan	22	24	20	25	19	24	24	20	22	19	24	25	23	21	20	23	24	20	18
Don't know	21	18	19	16	20	21	18	25	21	22	18	24	18	25	22	22	17	24	22

The bees dying out

Should be developing a contingency plan	72	70	80	82	80	69	69	74	63	69	78	75	74	69	71	73	73	71	66
Should not be developing a contingency plan	12	16	8	9	7	15	15	9	16	13	10	10	11	13	13	10	12	12	16
Don't know	16	15	12	9	13	16	16	17	20	19	12	15	15	18	16	17	15	17	18

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An alien invasion																			
Should be developing a contingency plan	15	14	15	11	14	15	17	14	20	17	13	11	15	16	15	14	18	15	18
Should not be developing a contingency plan	62	66	66	70	68	62	61	63	53	61	68	62	65	58	64	64	61	61	61
Don't know	23	20	18	19	18	23	22	23	27	22	18	27	20	26	22	23	21	25	21
A pandemic																			
Should be developing a contingency plan	84	87	91	93	93	82	81	87	75	81	89	89	88	80	84	83	84	85	88
Should not be developing a contingency plan	5	5	4	3	2	7	7	3	7	6	4	4	5	6	6	5	7	5	4
Don't know	11	8	5	4	6	11	11	10	18	13	7	7	8	15	10	12	10	11	7
Nuclear war																			
Should be developing a contingency plan	79	84	83	79	82	80	77	81	71	77	82	81	81	76	76	79	78	79	81
Should not be developing a contingency plan	8	6	8	11	8	8	11	5	11	7	8	8	8	8	8	8	9	8	8
Don't know	13	10	9	11	10	12	12	14	17	15	10	11	11	16	16	13	13	13	11
A solar flare																			
Should be developing a contingency plan	46	41	50	51	50	41	47	44	50	47	47	38	48	42	47	46	45	44	46
Should not be developing a contingency plan	23	28	20	25	21	25	28	18	21	21	22	27	23	22	24	23	26	20	18
Don't know	32	31	30	25	29	34	26	38	29	32	30	35	29	36	28	31	29	36	35
Robots / artificial intelligence																			
Should be developing a contingency plan	43	39	43	54	44	40	44	41	51	44	43	37	45	40	52	41	43	40	43
Should not be developing a contingency plan	33	37	36	29	35	35	35	32	24	33	35	36	34	33	23	33	33	38	35
Don't know	24	24	21	17	21	25	21	27	25	23	22	28	22	27	25	26	24	22	22
An extreme seismic event (volcano / tsunami)																			
Should be developing a contingency plan	61	59	68	67	67	55	57	65	69	64	58	55	64	57	60	62	62	61	60
Should not be developing a contingency plan	19	24	17	17	17	24	24	14	11	16	21	24	19	18	16	21	19	17	19
Don't know	20	17	15	16	17	21	19	21	20	20	21	21	17	25	24	18	19	23	21
A religious apocalypse																			
Should be developing a contingency plan	20	23	16	16	16	23	23	18	24	21	21	18	19	22	16	20	20	23	22
Should not be developing a contingency plan	53	51	63	59	61	51	54	53	49	54	55	54	58	48	56	53	55	52	54
Don't know	26	25	20	25	23	25	23	29	27	25	24	28	23	30	27	28	24	25	24

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Thinking about how people and countries responded to the pandemic, has your confidence in humanity surviving a threat of human extinction increased, decreased, or remained unchanged?

Increased a lot	4	6	2	1	3	5	3	4	2	2	5	5	4	3	6	3	4	3	3
Increased a little	15	16	13	23	16	16	15	15	12	13	16	20	17	12	11	15	13	19	16
TOTAL INCREASED	19	22	15	24	19	21	18	19	14	15	21	25	21	15	17	18	17	22	19
Remained unchanged	45	52	42	45	44	50	46	43	31	42	49	52	43	47	40	49	47	39	46
Decreased a little	15	11	18	17	18	11	16	14	22	18	12	11	17	13	16	15	14	16	14
Decreased a lot	10	8	15	6	12	9	10	10	11	12	12	5	10	11	14	7	12	11	12
TOTAL DECREASED	25	19	33	23	30	20	26	24	33	30	24	16	27	24	30	22	26	27	26
Not sure	11	6	10	7	7	9	9	13	22	13	7	7	9	14	13	10	10	13	10