



# European Architectural Barometer Q2 2022

## Trends in Material Usage

July-2022

# About European Architectural Barometer

## THE GOAL

The objective of the European Architectural Barometer of Arch-Vision is to offer profound insight into the current economic situation and trends among architectural firms in the Netherlands, Germany, the UK, France, Spain, Italy, Belgium and Poland. The European Architectural Barometer provides knowledge about the future building volumes and the way in which these building volumes will be realised (trends).

## THE RESEARCH TOPICS

**Recurring topic:** Economic developments of architectural companies in Europe (order book and turnover development)

**Quarterly theme topics in 2022:**

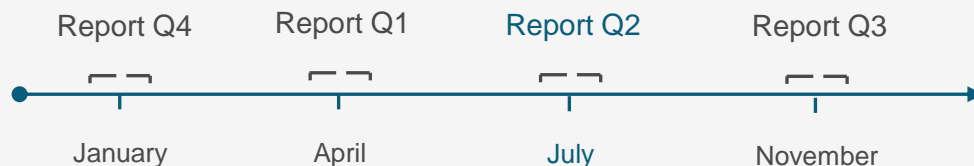
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**Q2: Trends in Material Usage**

Q3: Decision Making in the Construction Industry

Q4: Love Brands

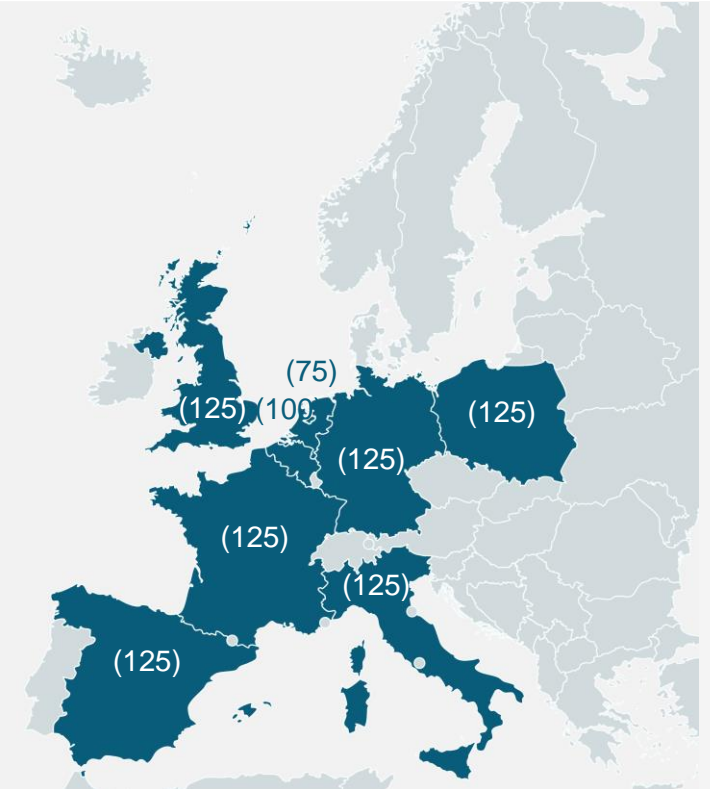
## THE TIMELINE



## COUNTRY SCOPE

(number of interviews conducted)

Background characteristics of the interviewed respondents can be found in [the country-specific profiling](#), [the architect chapter](#), and in [the appendix as a European overview](#).



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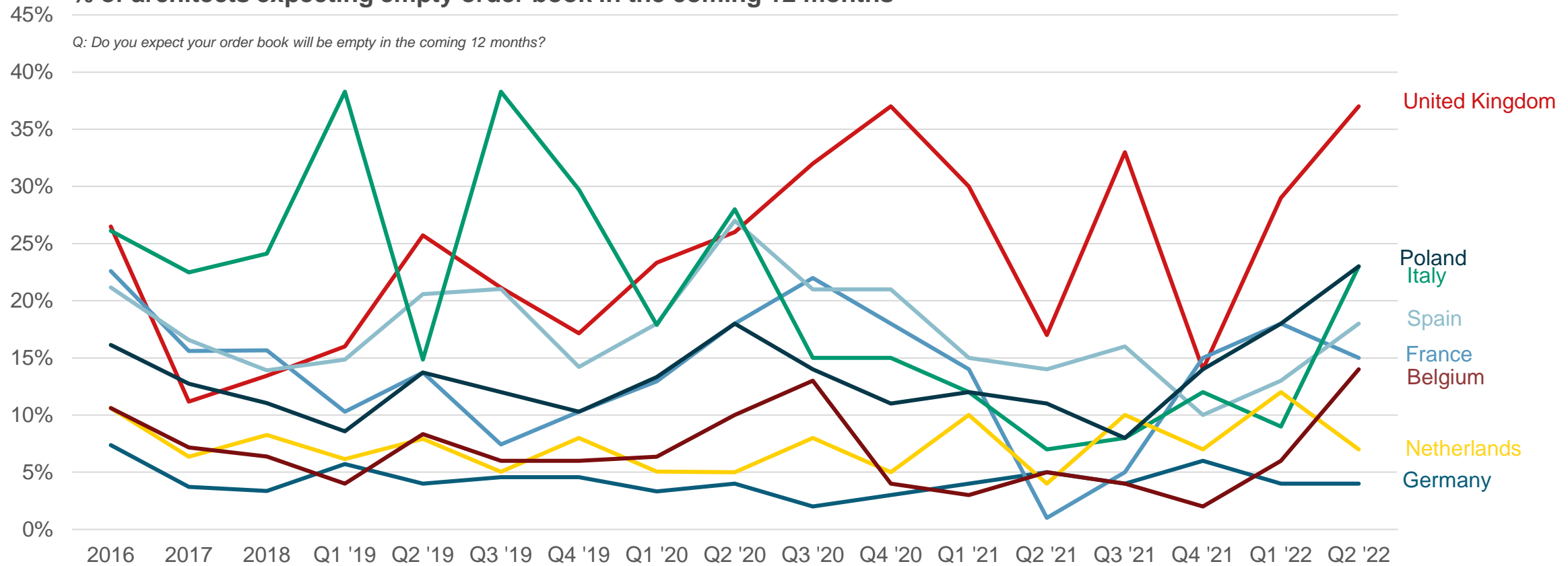
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### % of architects expecting empty order book in the coming 12 months

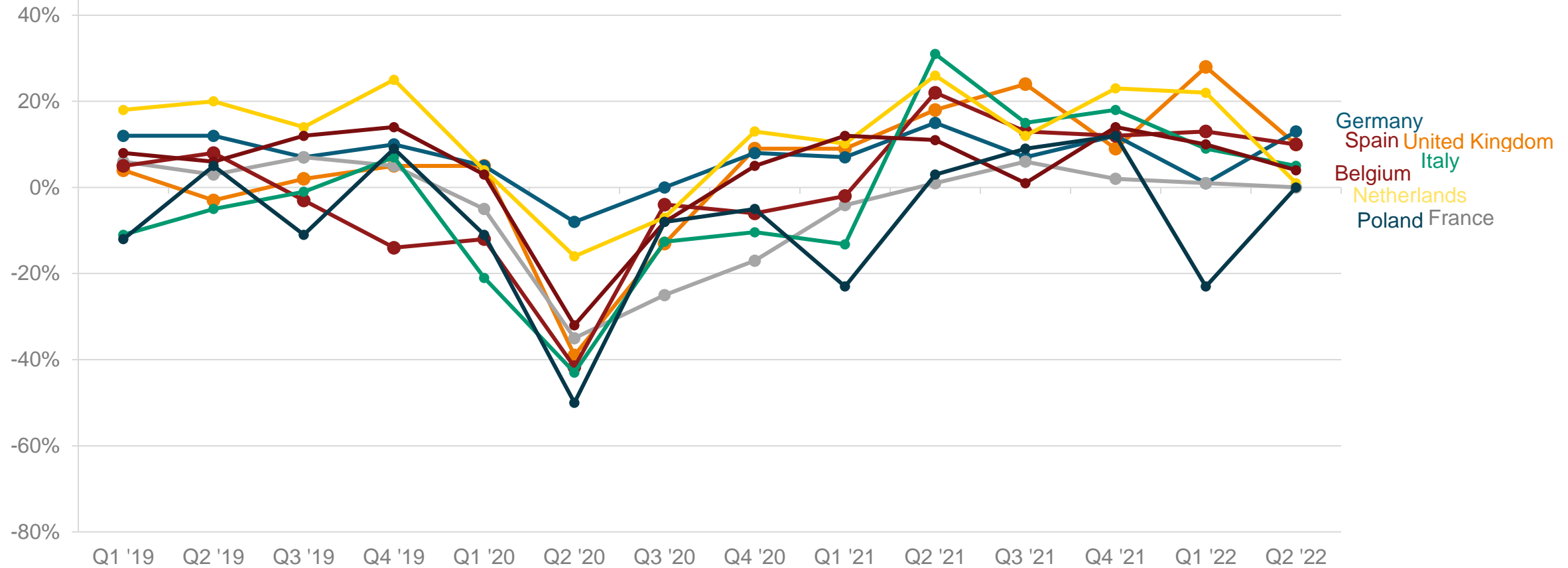
Q: Do you expect your order book will be empty in the coming 12 months?



## Architects' experience regarding their turnover

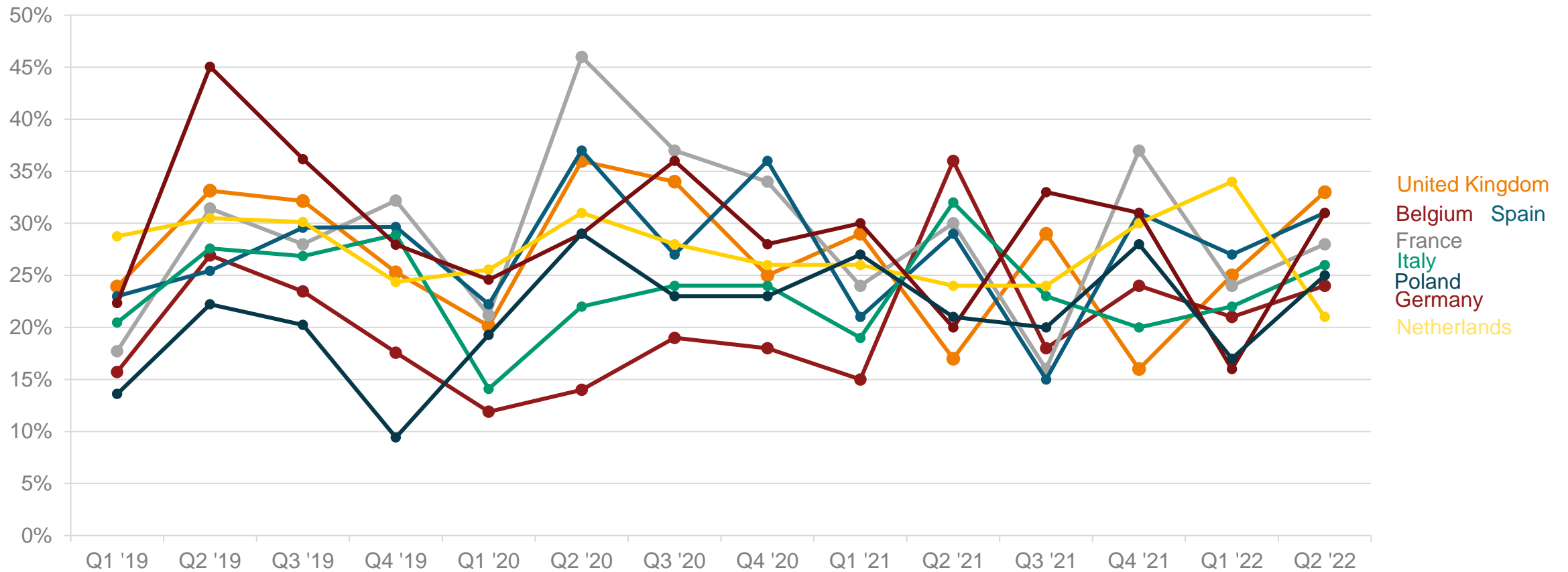
(saldo of architects reporting increase minus architects reporting a decrease)

Q: How did your turnover develop in the past quarter compared to the same period one year ago?



## % of architects experiencing cancelled projects

Q: How many projects have been cancelled in the past quarter?



# Forecast 2022 European overview

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•See the country slides for more detailed information on the developments per construction segment.  
 •Volumes are in billion euros at 2013 prices.

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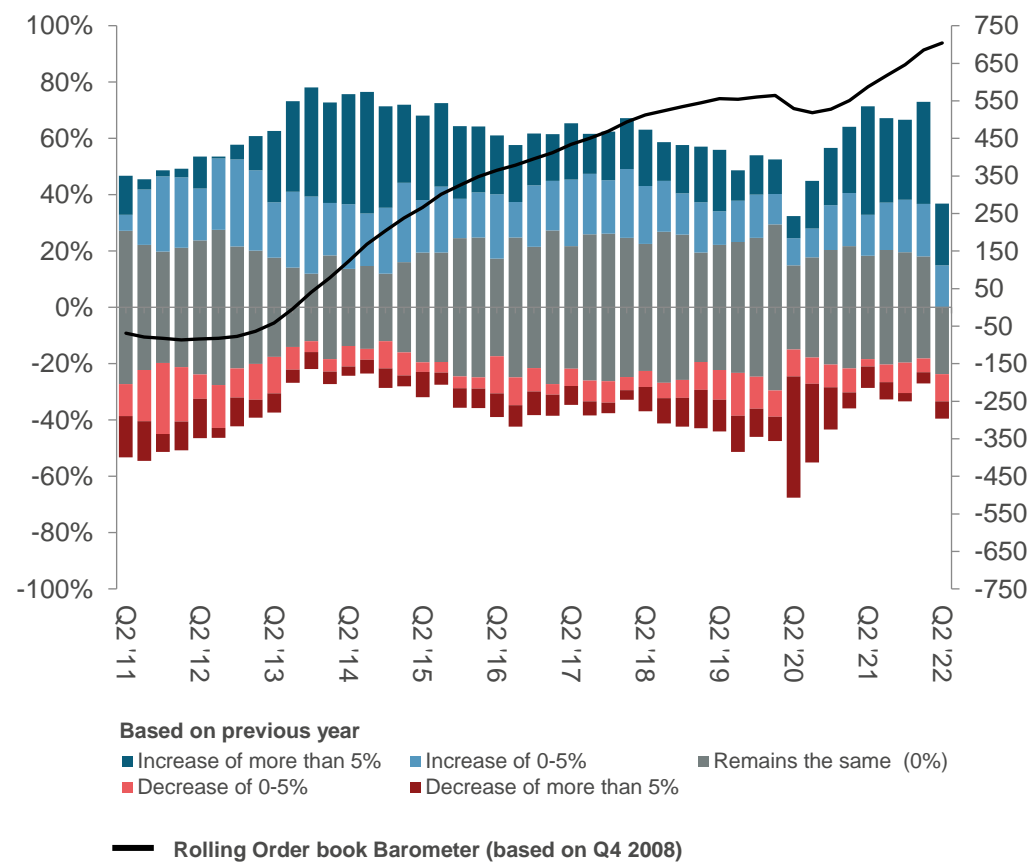
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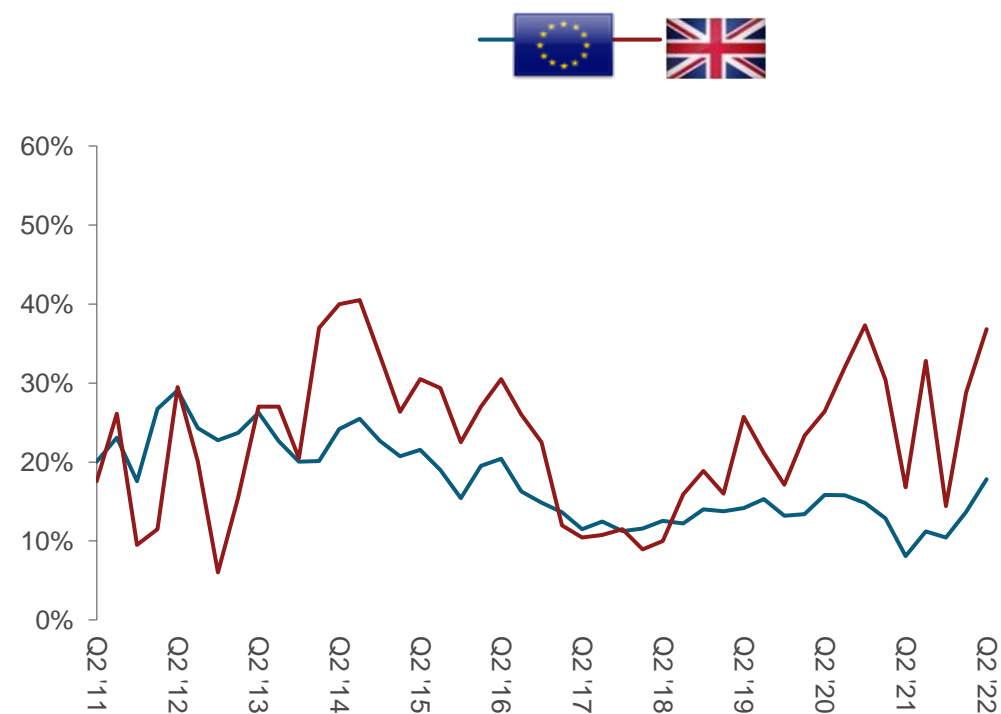
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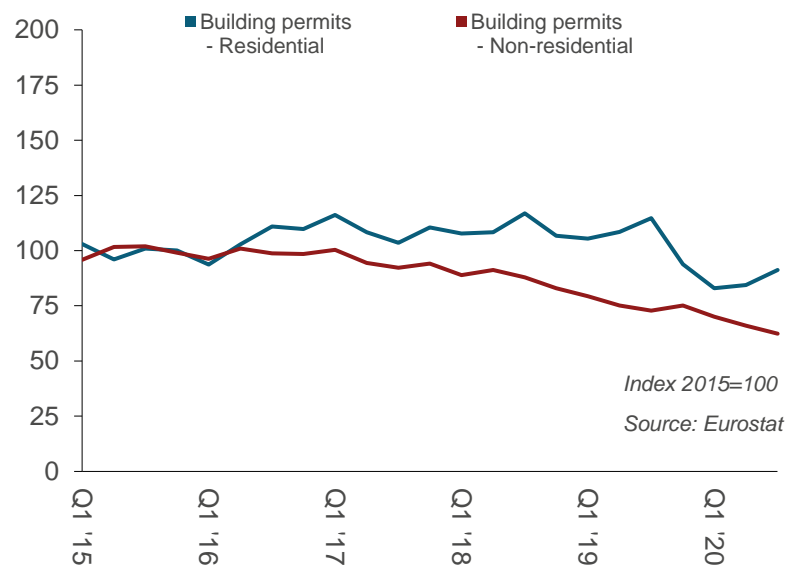
### Development of order book



### Expecting empty order book in 12 months



## Development building permits



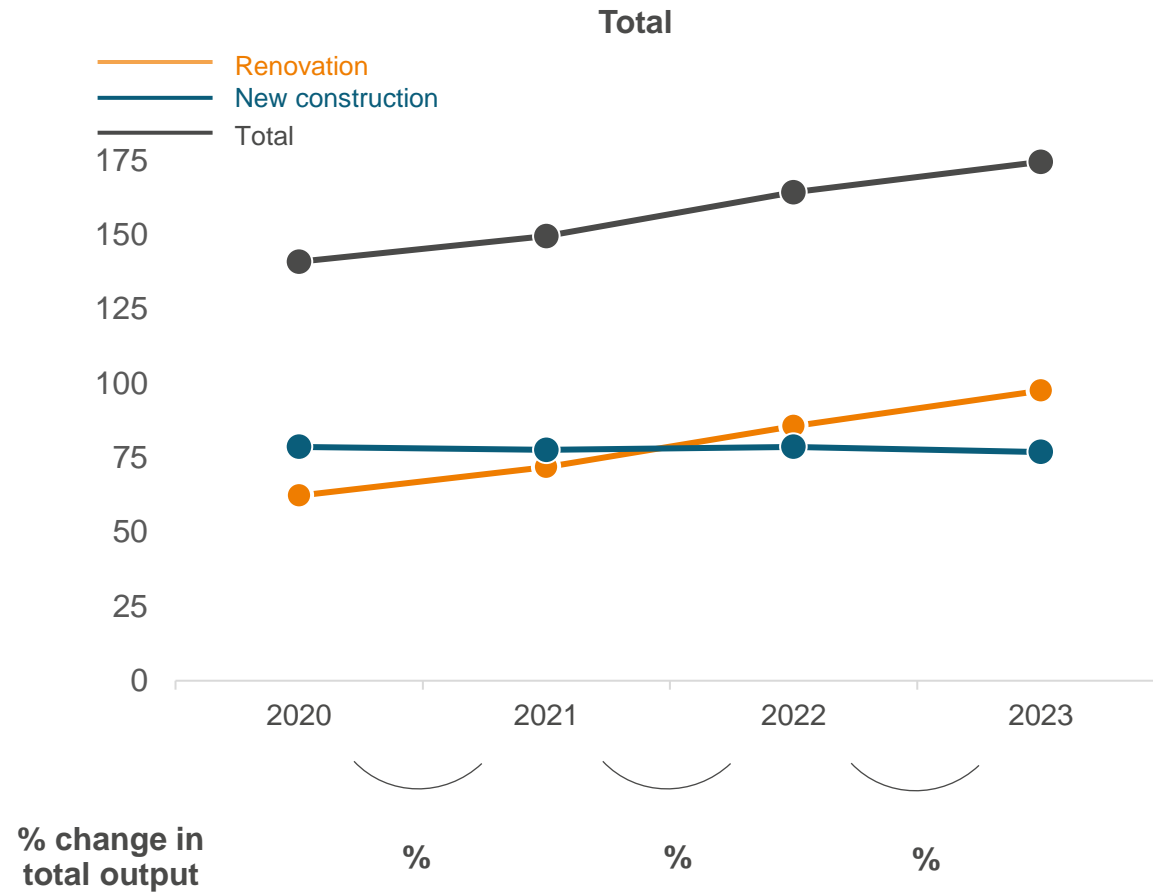
Economic and construction related indicators	Value Q2 2021	Value Q1 2022	Value Q2 2022	Q-2-Q development
GDP (quarterly growth rate) (%) <sup>*</sup>	5.5	5.5	n/a	Negative
Consumer confidence indicator <sup>**</sup>	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Industrial confidence indicator <sup>**</sup>	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Construction confidence indicator <sup>**</sup>	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Production value buildings (index 2015=100) <sup>**</sup>	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Architects with postponed projects (%) <sup>***</sup>	35	35	35	Negative
Architects with cancelled projects (%) <sup>***</sup>	35	35	35	Negative
Building permits residential (index 2015=100) <sup>**</sup>	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Building permits non-residential (index 2015=100) <sup>**</sup>	n/a	n/a	n/a	

Source: <sup>\*</sup> Country statistical office; <sup>\*\*</sup> Eurostat, <sup>\*\*\*</sup> Arch-Vision

<sup>\*</sup>Since the end of 2020 UK data has not been published anymore. The data previously provided to Eurostat was an amalgamation of several administrative data sources used as a proxy. The series was discontinued in 2020 when most of the data sources used to produce the estimate were discontinued due to the COVID-19 pandemic and resources were diverted elsewhere.

# Forecast of building volumes in billion euros

(% change year over year)



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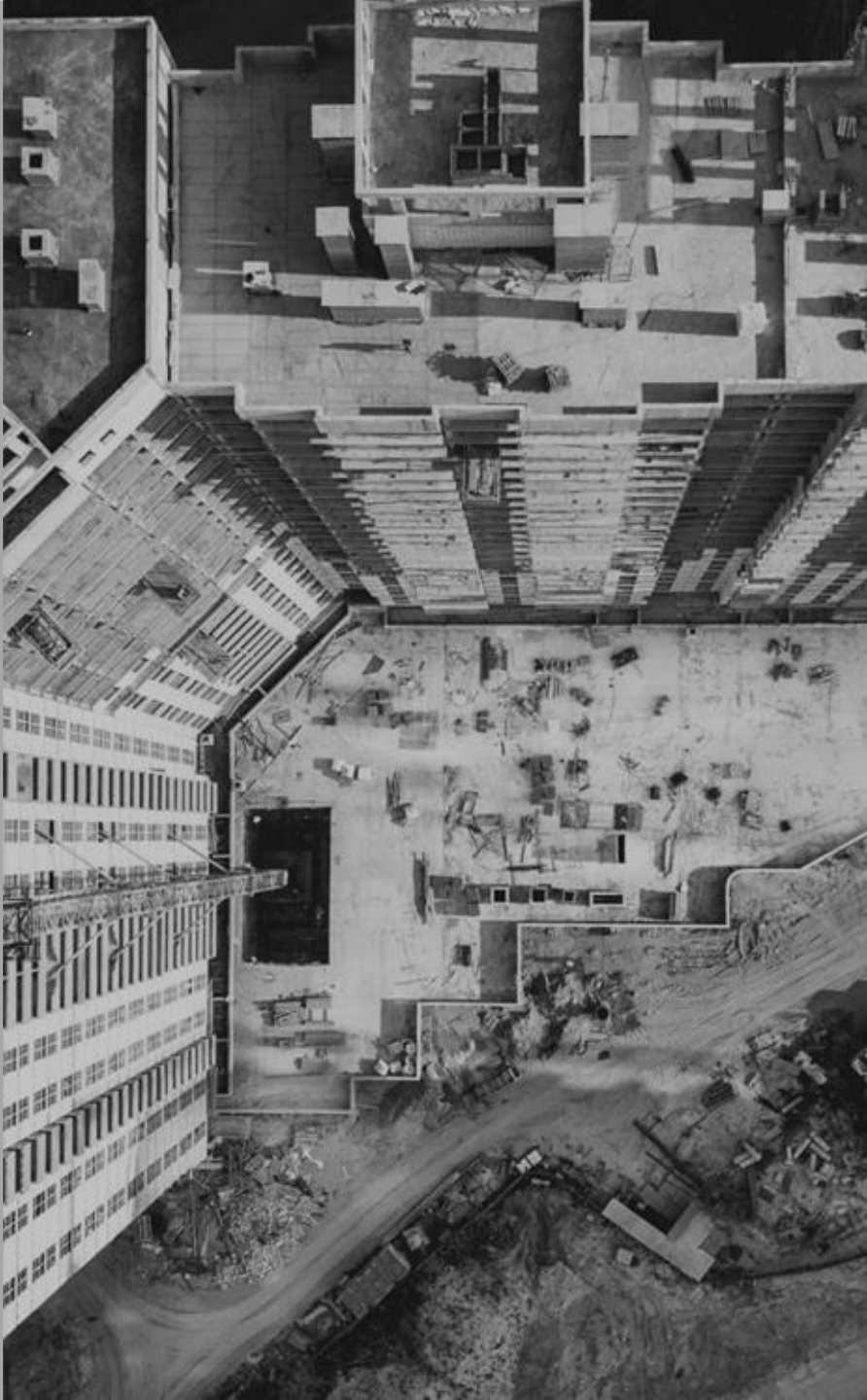


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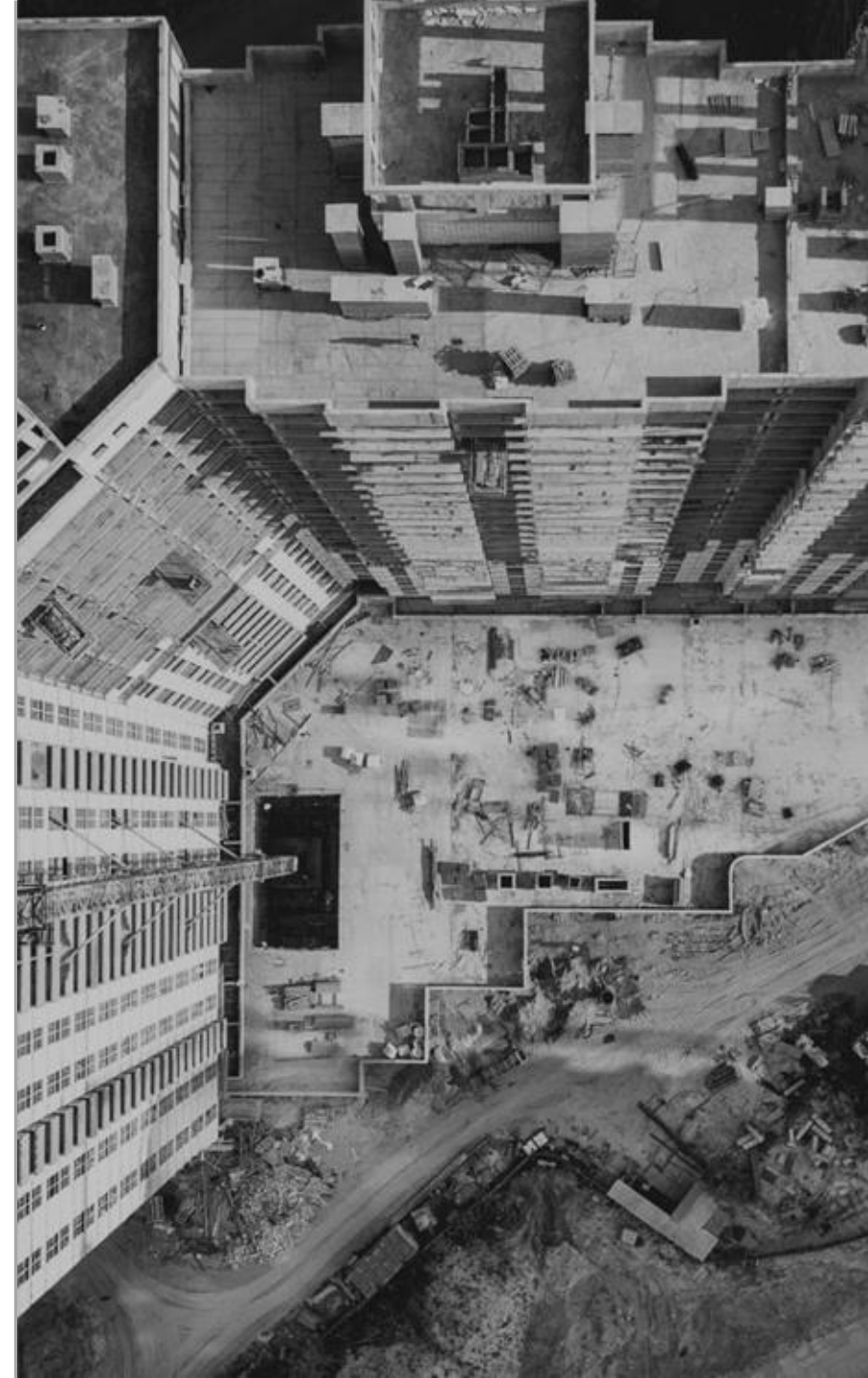
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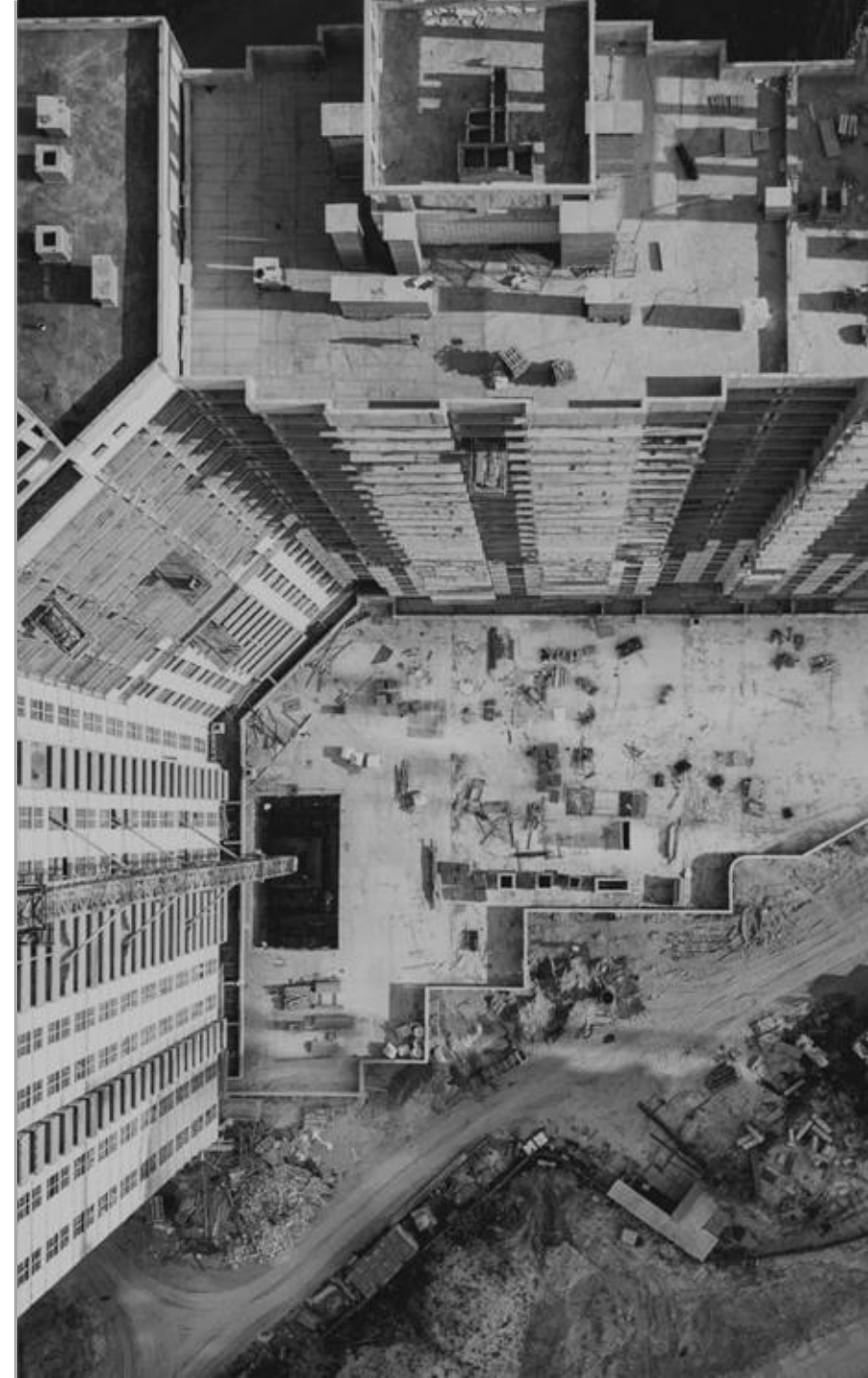
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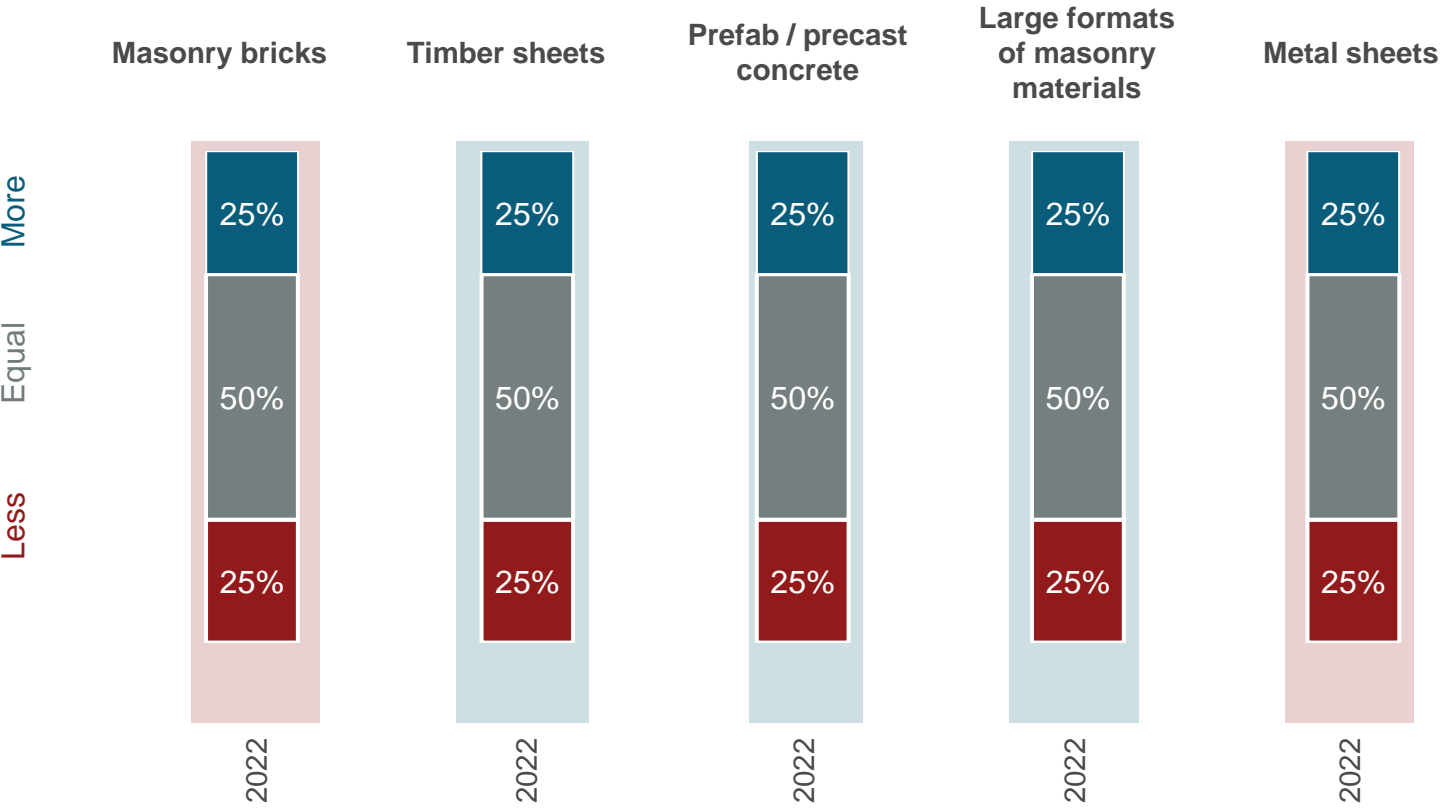
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Do you expect to use the following building envelope materials more, equally, or less in projects over the next five years?



\* Data not available.

# Usage expectations building envelope: country overview

Do you expect to use the following building envelope materials more, equally, or less in projects over the next five years?

								
	n=	n=	n=	n=	n=	n=	n=	n=
Masonry bricks	15%	15%	15%	15%	15%	15%	15%	15%
Timber sheets	20%	20%	20%	20%	20%	20%	20%	20%
Prefab / precast concrete	-3%	-3%	-3%	-3%	-3%	-3%	-3%	-3%
Large formats of masonry materials	-8%	-8%	-8%	-8%	-8%	-8%	-8%	-8%
Metal sheets	-31%	-31%	-31%	-31%	-31%	-31%	-31%	-31%

% more minus % less

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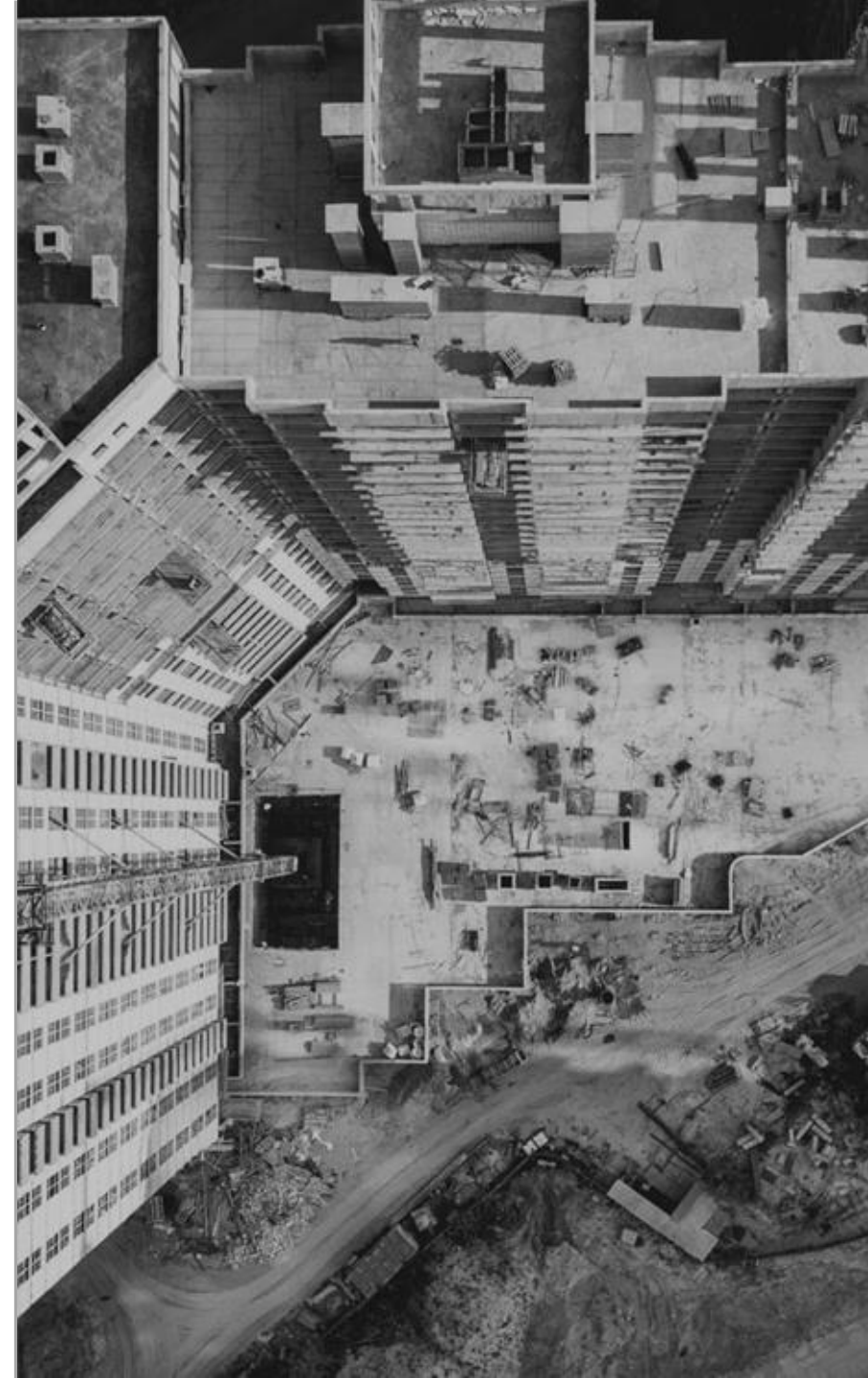
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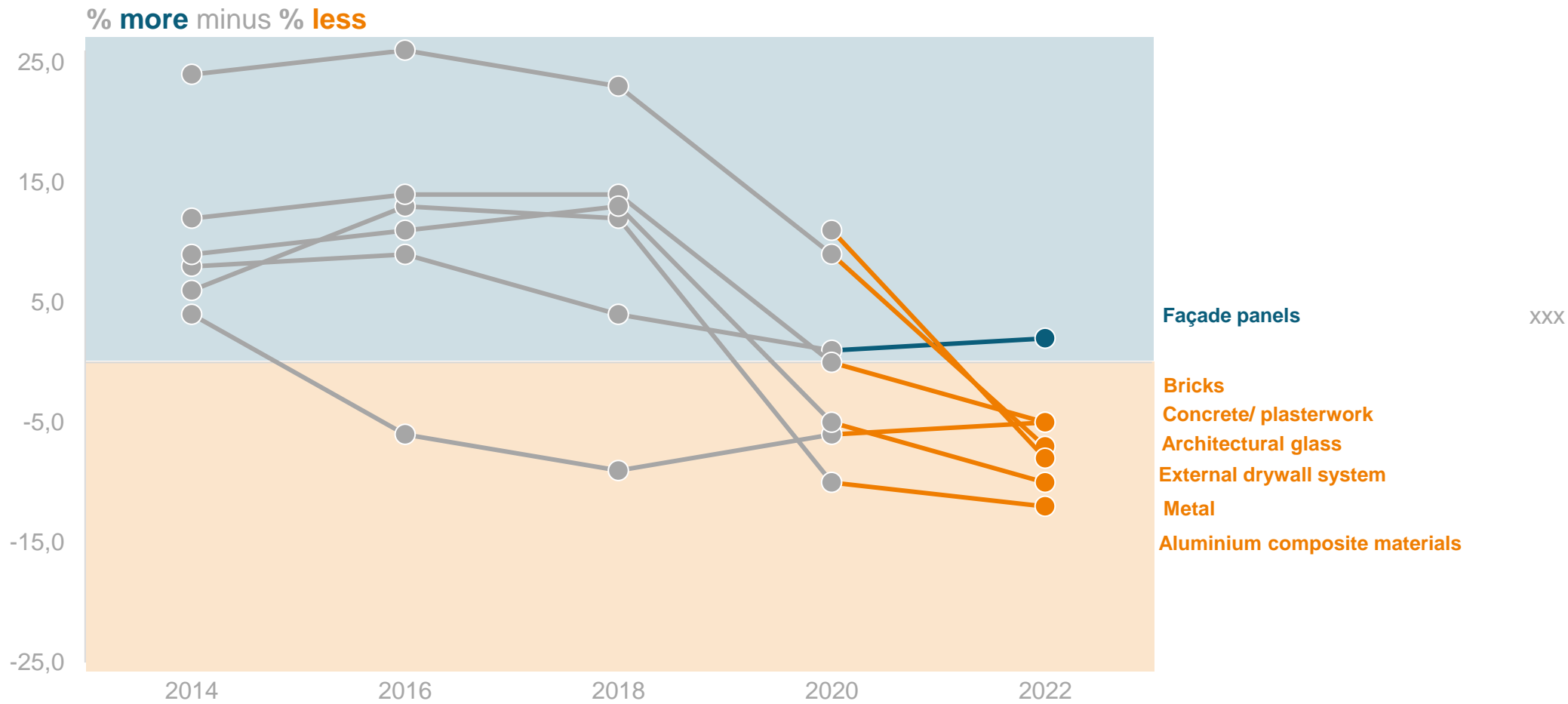
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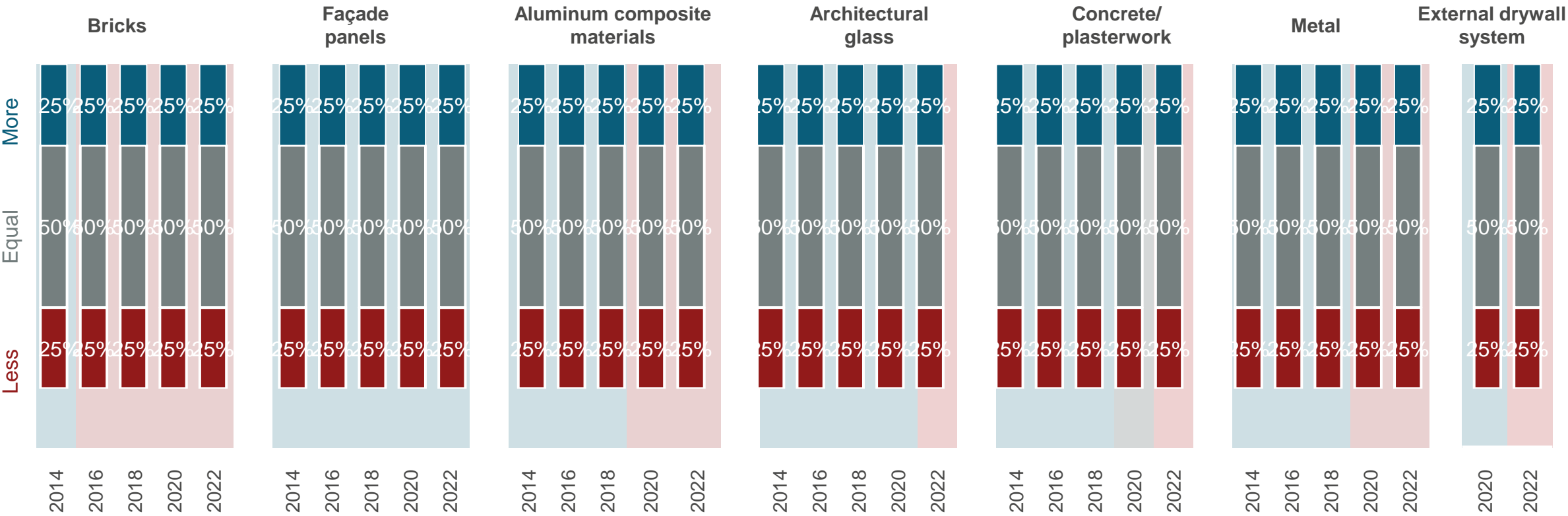
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Do you expect to use the following **façade** materials more, equally, or less in projects over the next five years?



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Do you expect to use the following **façade** materials more, equally, or less in projects over the next five years?



# Usage expectations façade materials: country overview

Do you expect to use the following **façade** materials more, equally, or less in projects over the next five years?



n=

n=

n=

n=

n=

n=

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n=

Bricks

18%

18%

18%

18%

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18%

18%

2020

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19%

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19%

19%

Façade panels

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16%

16%

16%

16%

16%

16%

16%

2020

19%

19%

19%

19%

19%

19%

19%

19%

Aluminium Composite materials

-23%

-23%

-23%

-23%

-23%

-23%

-23%

-23%

2020

19%

19%

19%

19%

19%

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Architectural glass

18%

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18%

2020

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Concrete / Plasterwork

-16%

-16%

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2020

19%

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Metal

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2020

19%

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External drywall system

-2%

-2%

-2%

-2%

-2%

-2%

-2%

-2%

2020

19%

19%

19%

19%

19%

19%

19%

19%

Stone wool cladding

-9%

-9%

-9%

-9%

-9%

-9%

-9%

-9%

n/a

Wood facades

2%

2%

2%

2%

2%

2%

2%

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% more minus % less

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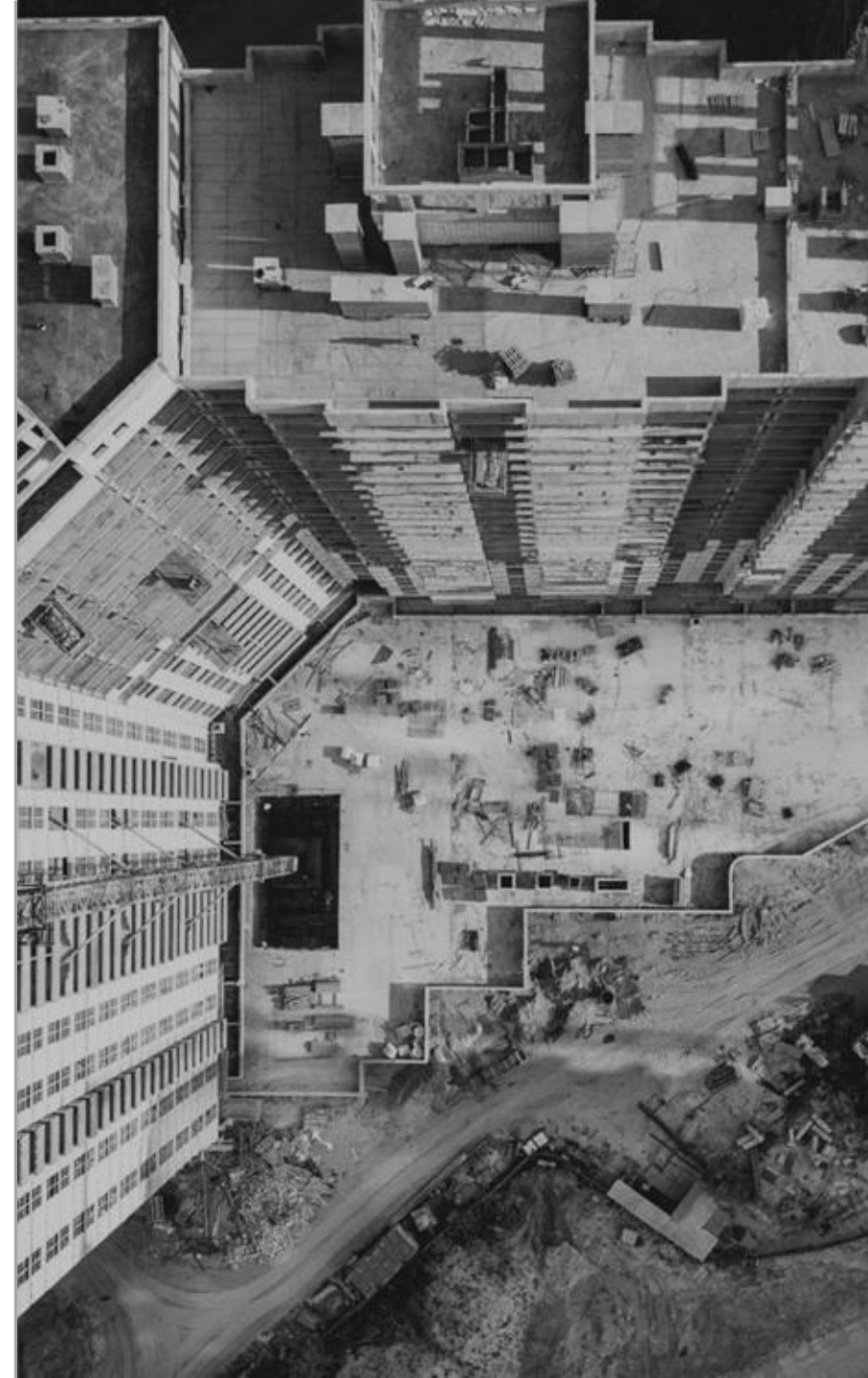
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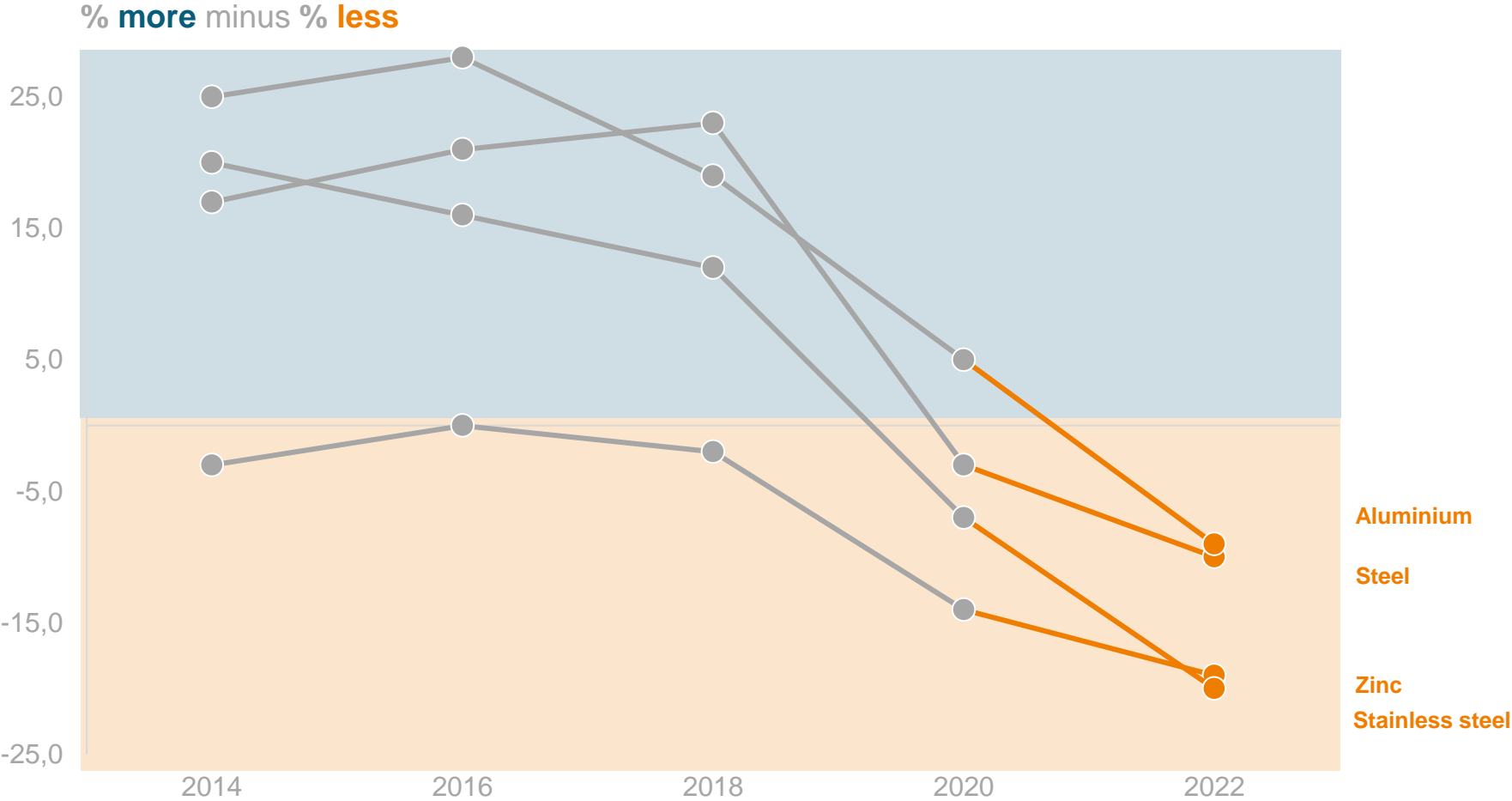
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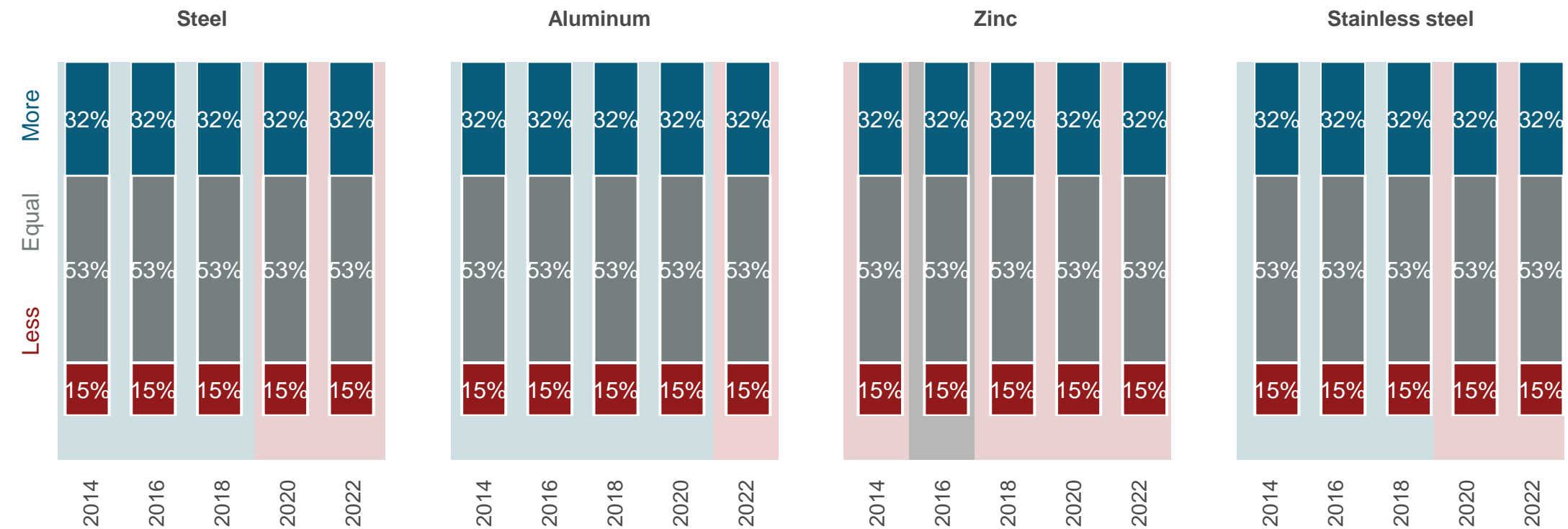
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Do you expect to use the following metal materials more, equally, or less in projects over the next five years?



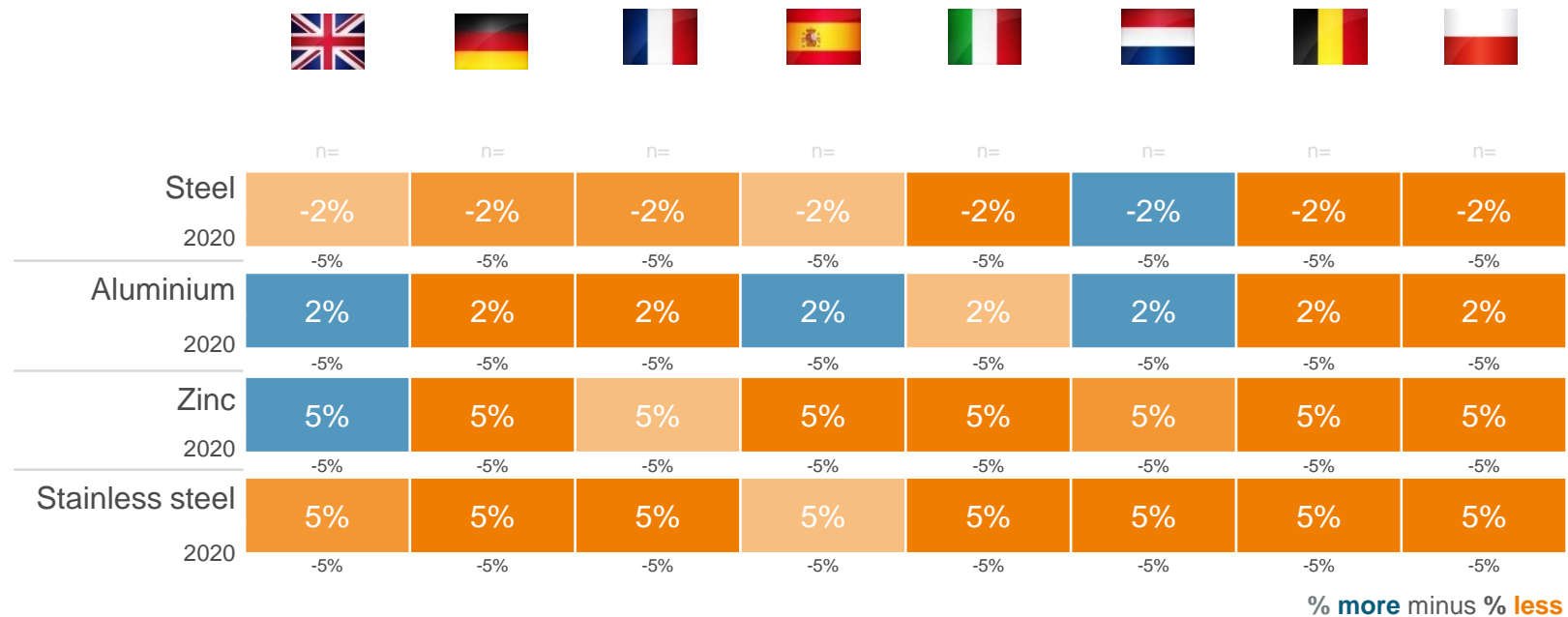
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Do you expect to use the following metal materials more, equally, or less in projects over the next five years?



# Usage expectations metal materials: country overview

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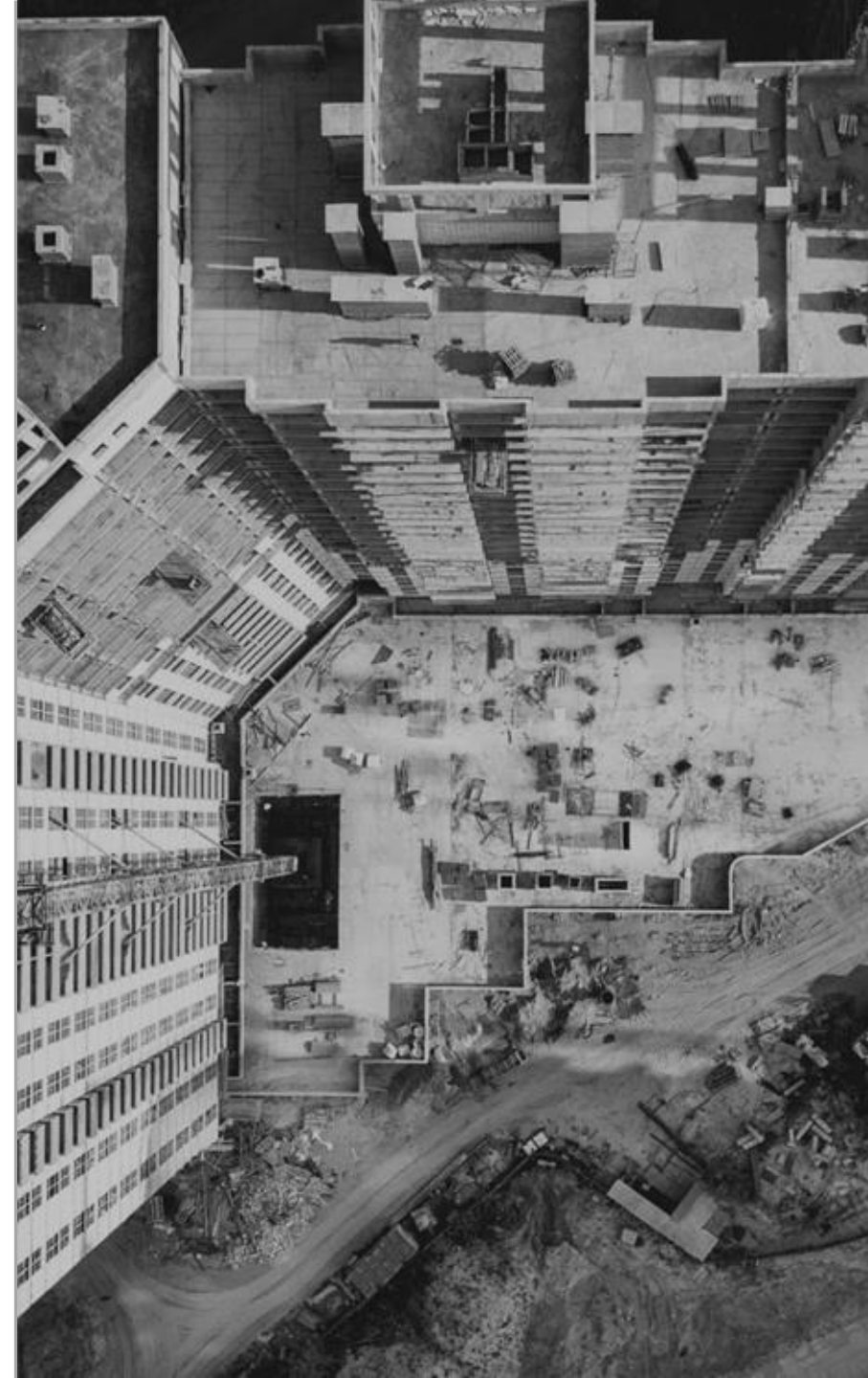
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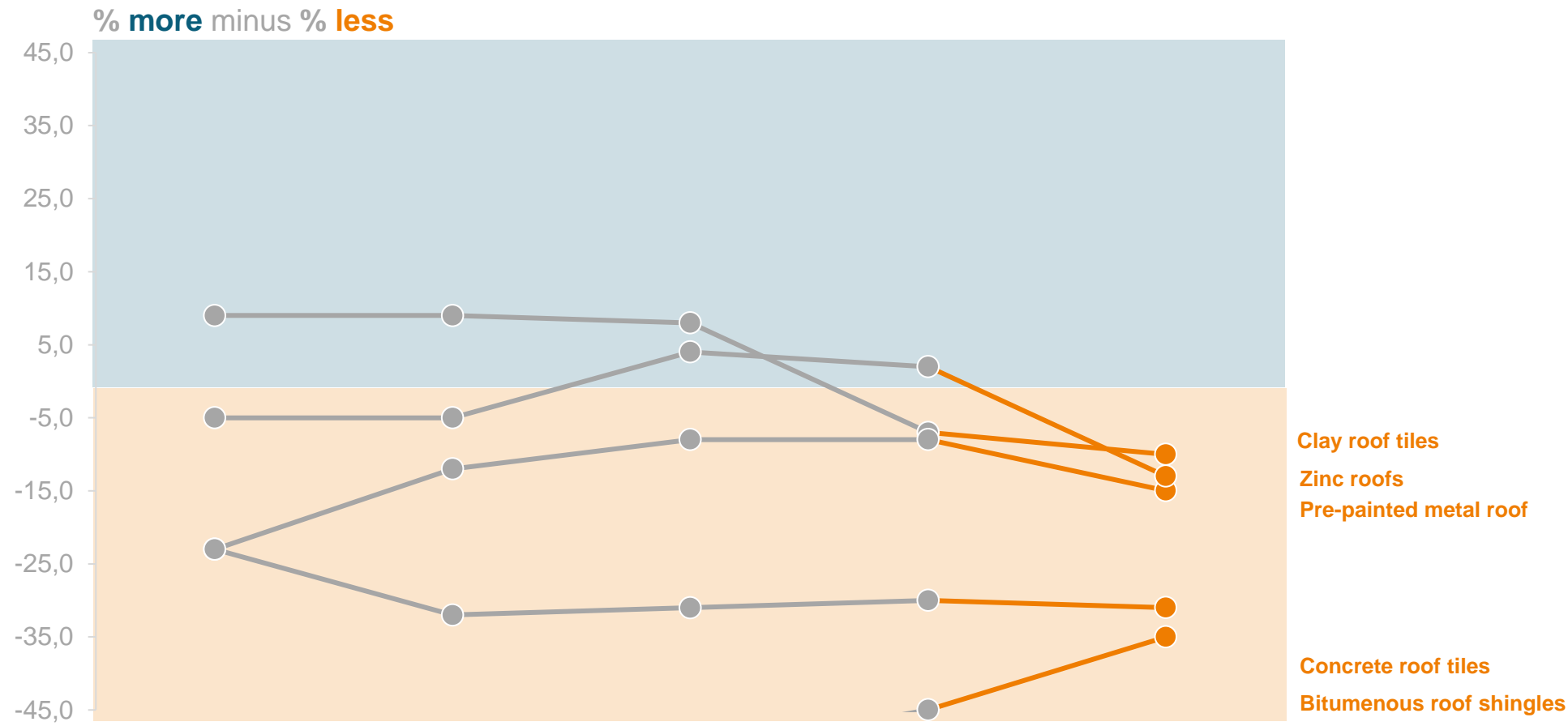
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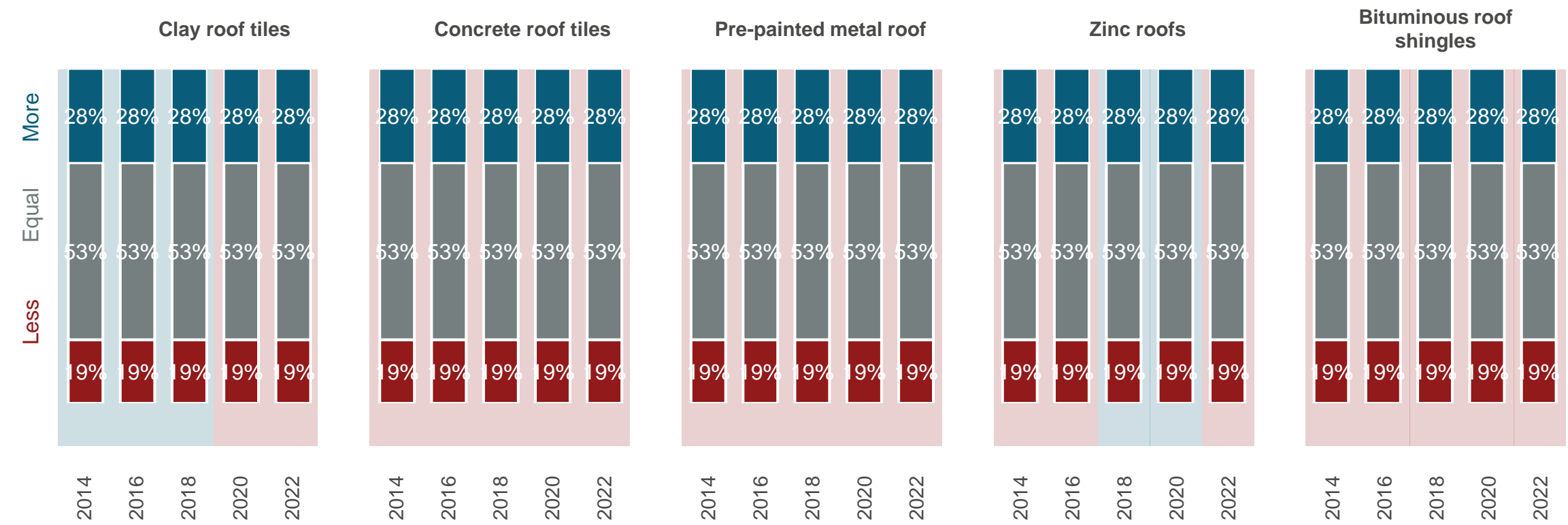
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Do you expect to use the following pitched roof materials more, equally, or less in projects over the next five years?



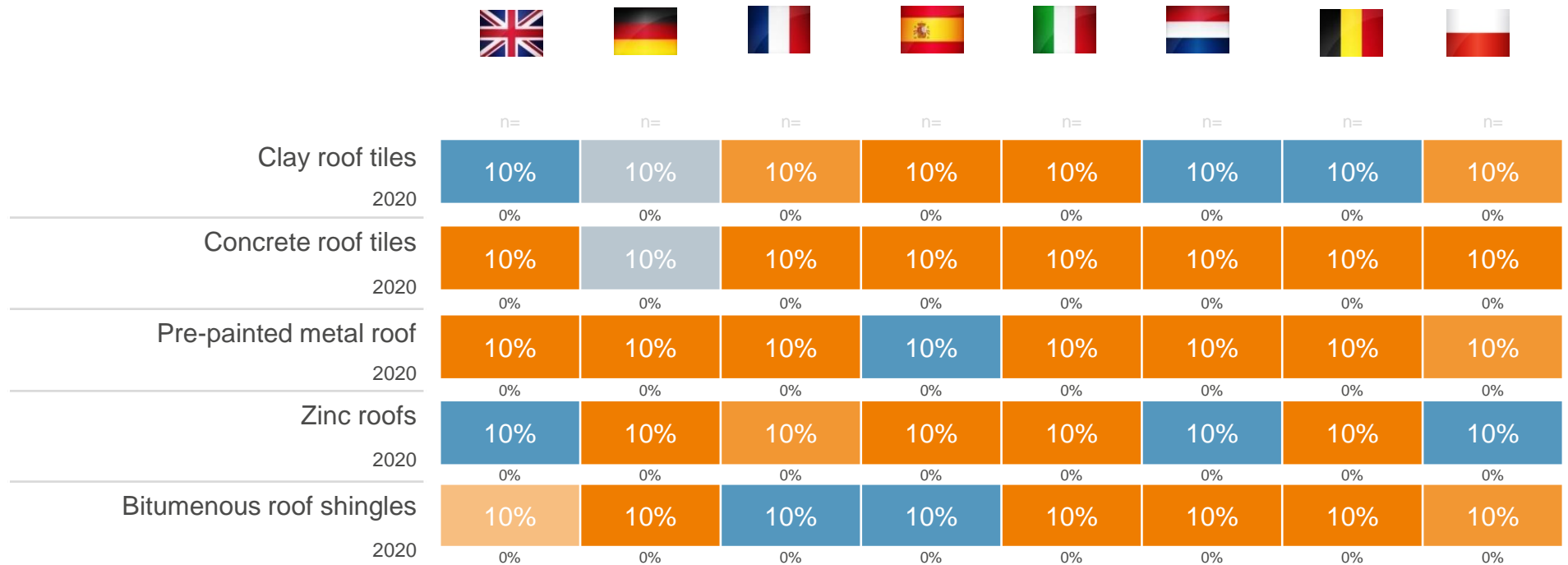
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Do you expect to use the following **pitched roof** materials more, equally, or less in projects over the next five years?



# Usage expectations pitched roof materials: country overview

Do you expect to use the following **pitched roof** materials more, equally, or less in projects over the next five years?



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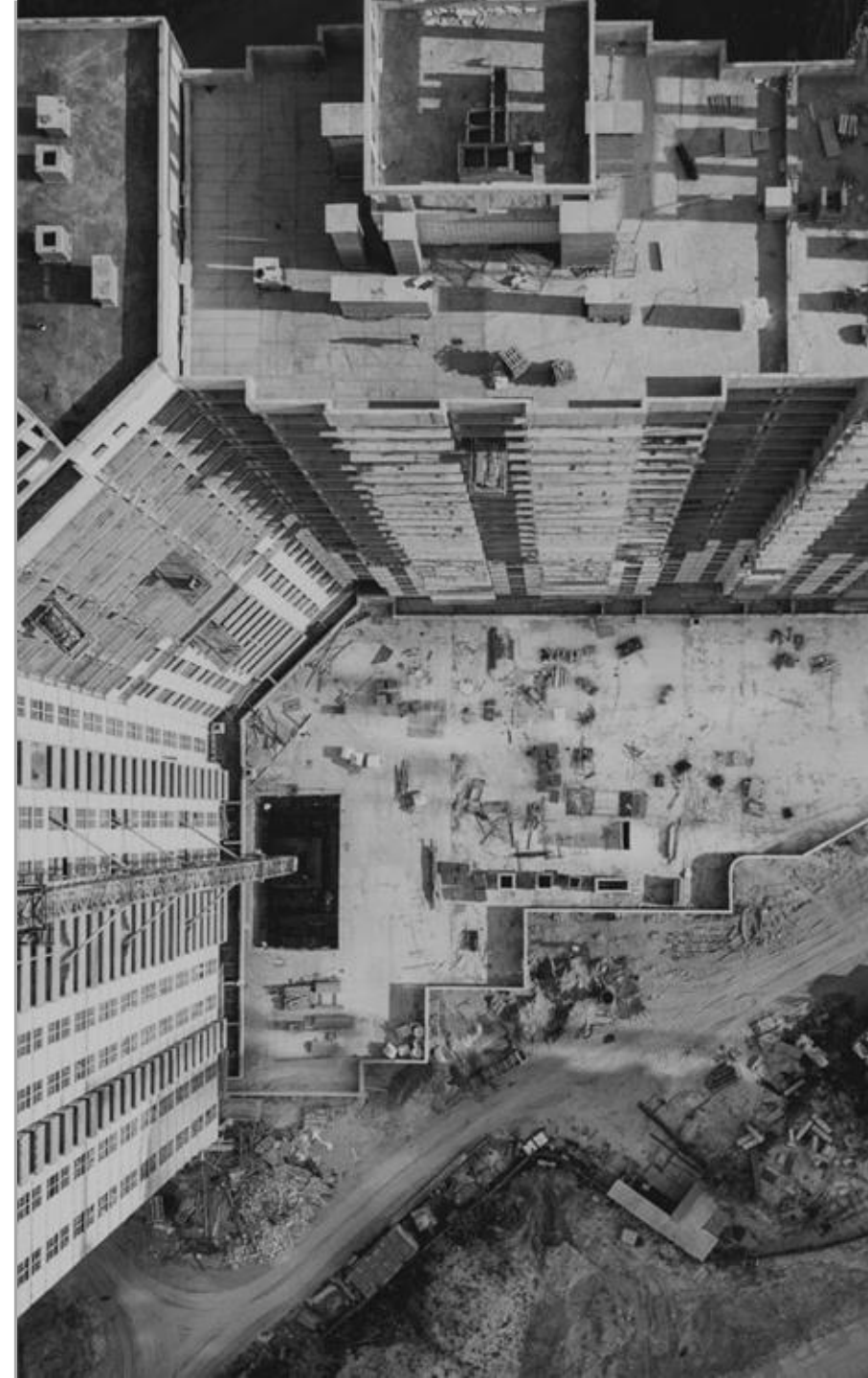
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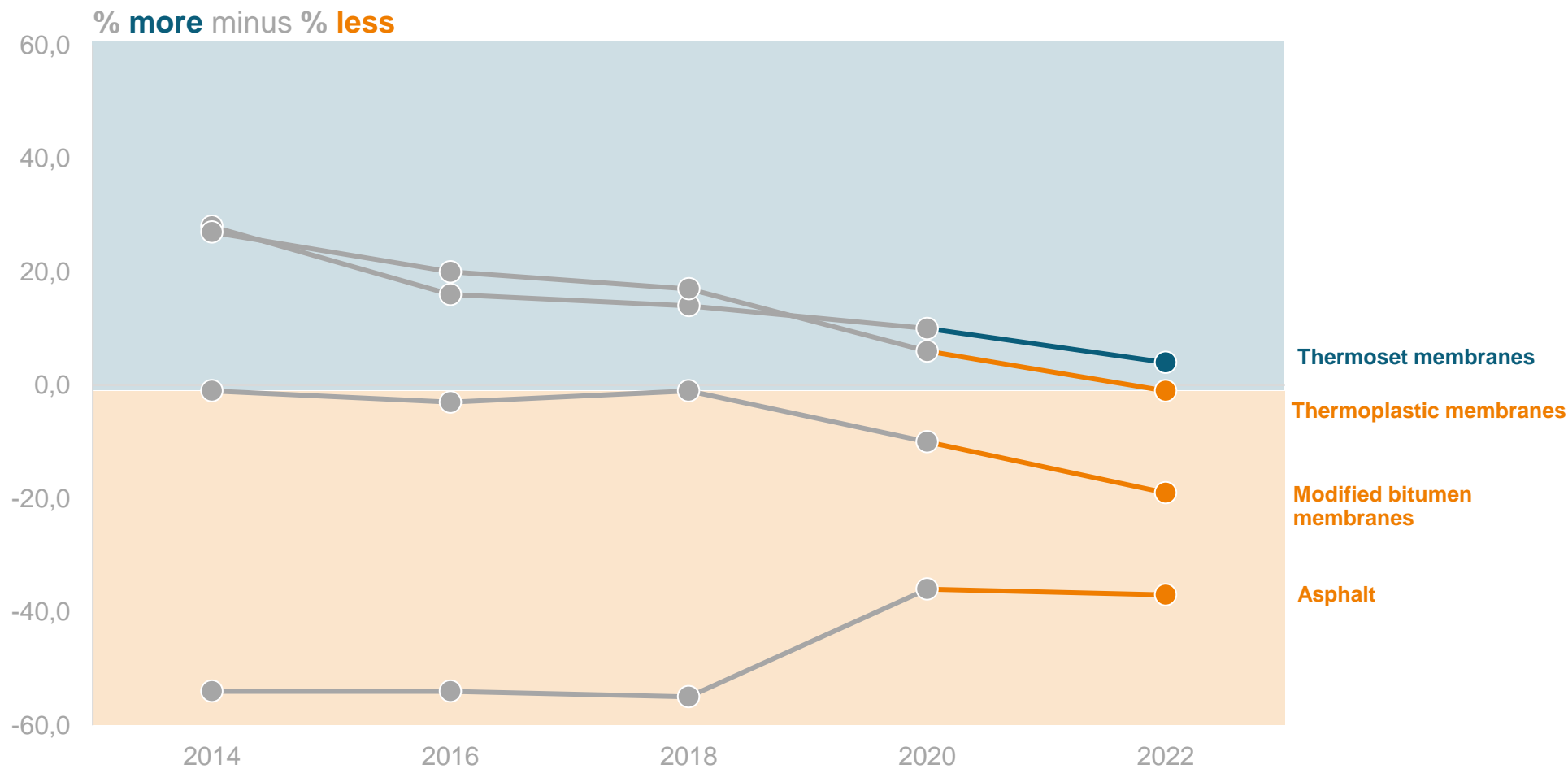
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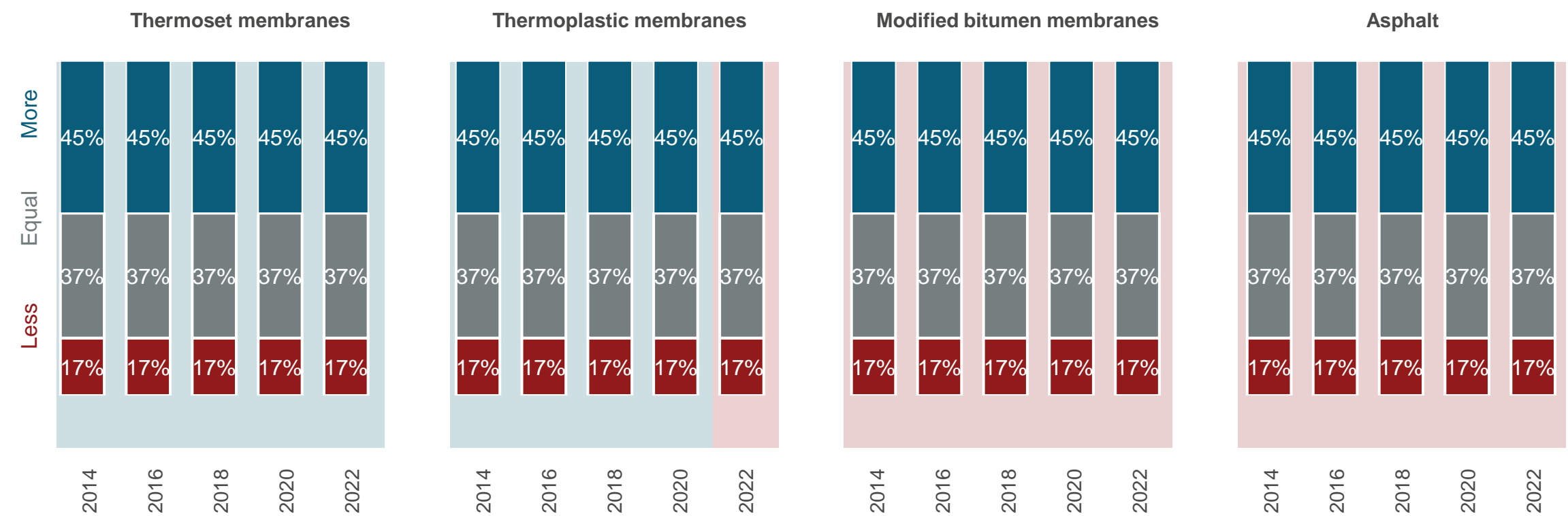
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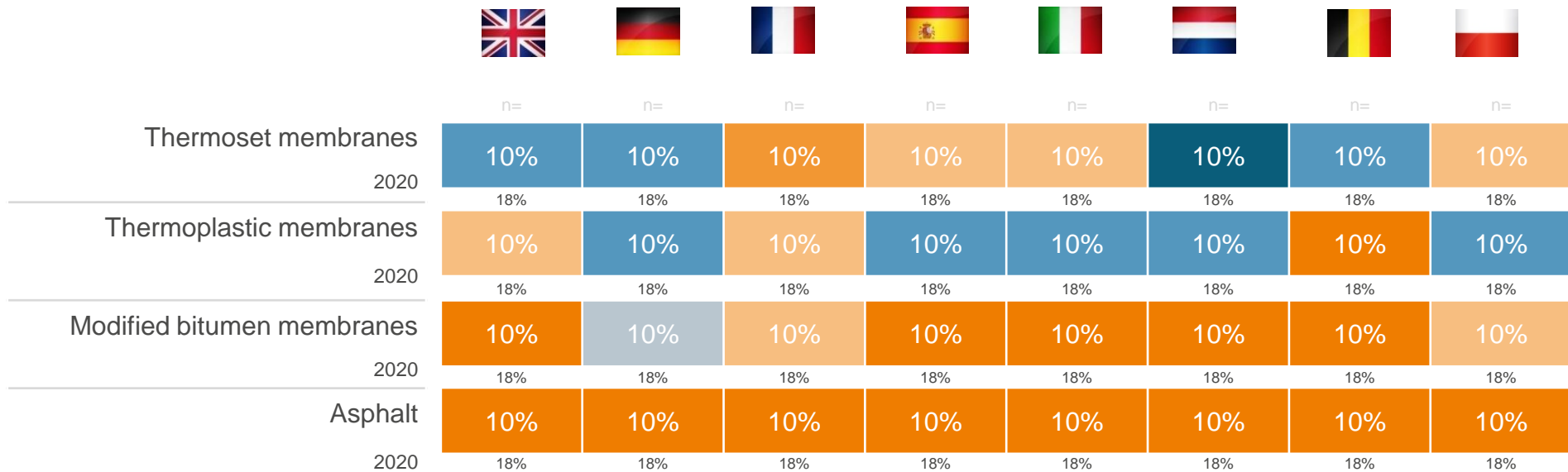
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Do you expect to use the following flat roofs materials more, equally, or less in projects over the next five years?



# Usage expectations flat roof materials: country overview

Do you expect to use the following **flat roofs** materials more, equally, or less in projects over the next five years?



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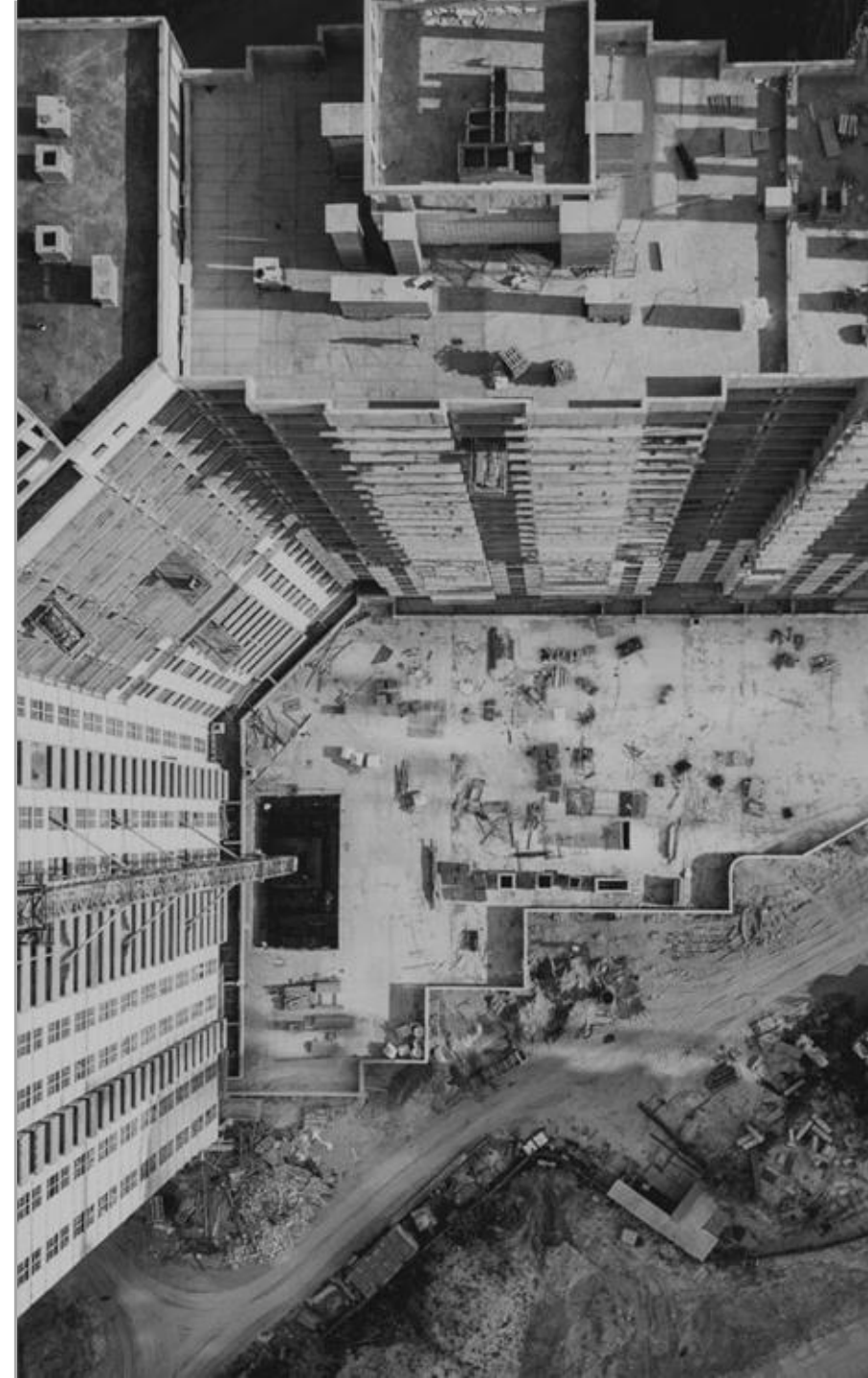
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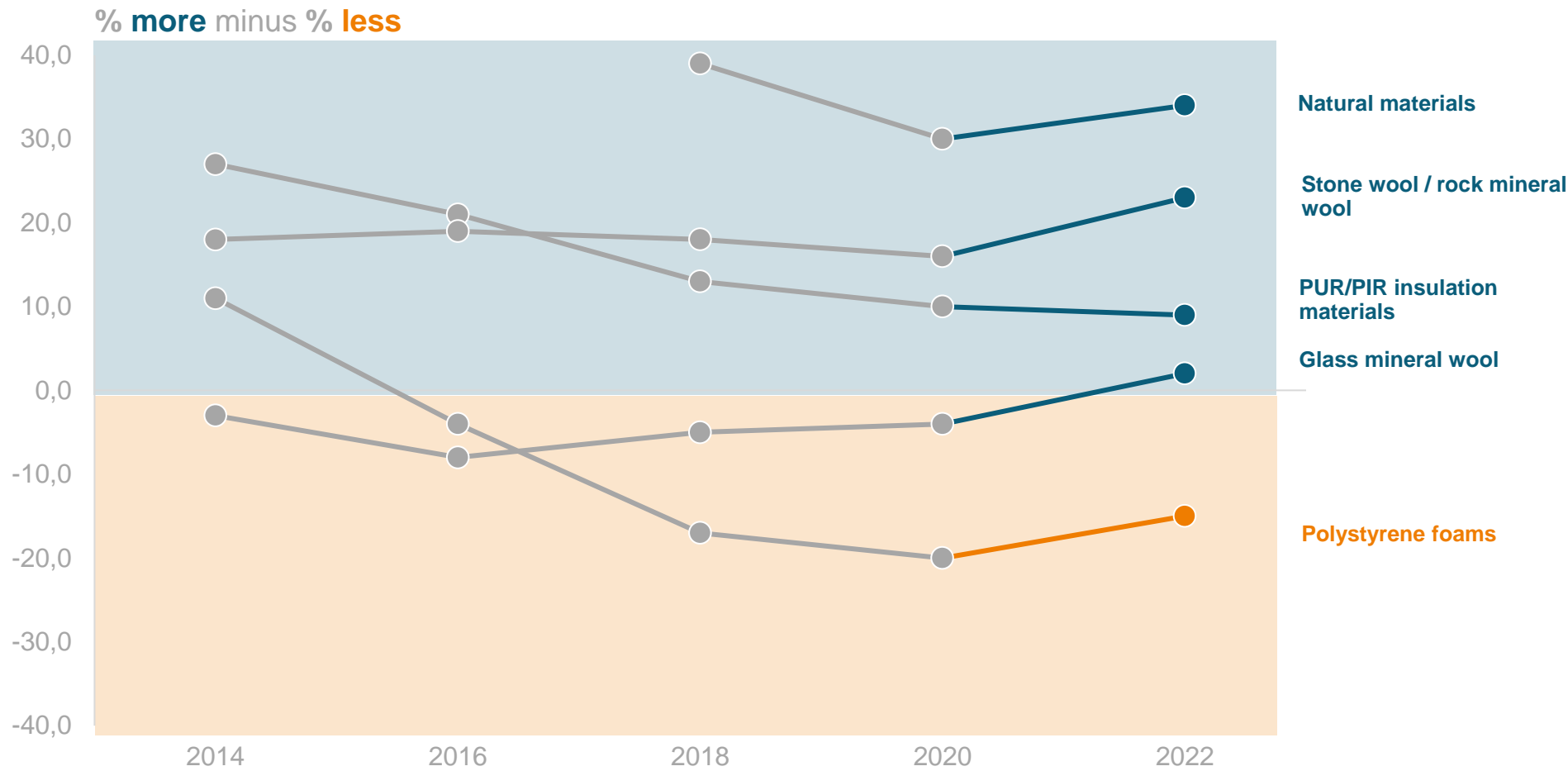
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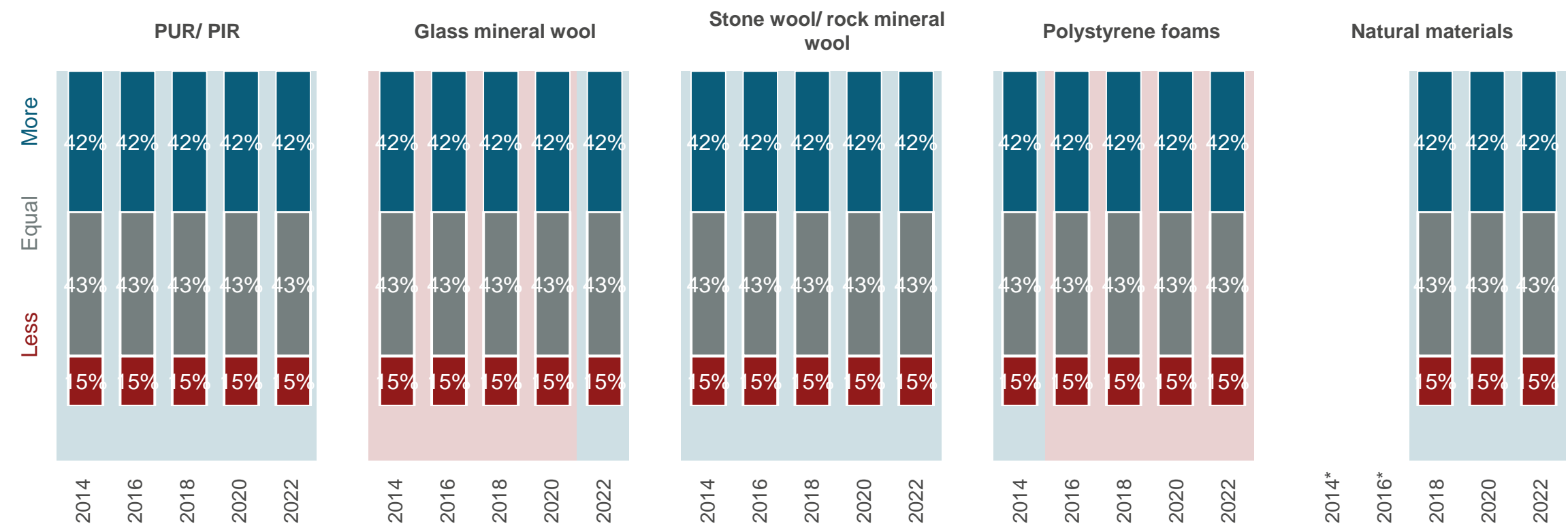
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Do you expect to use the following insulation materials more, equally, or less in projects over the next five years?



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Do you expect to use the following insulation materials more, equally, or less in projects over the next five years?



\* Data not available.

# Usage expectations insulation materials: country overview

Do you expect to use the following **insulation** materials more, equally, or less in projects over the next five years?



n=

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n=

PUR/PIR insulation materials

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Glass mineral wool

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Stone wool / rock mineral wool

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Polystyrene foams

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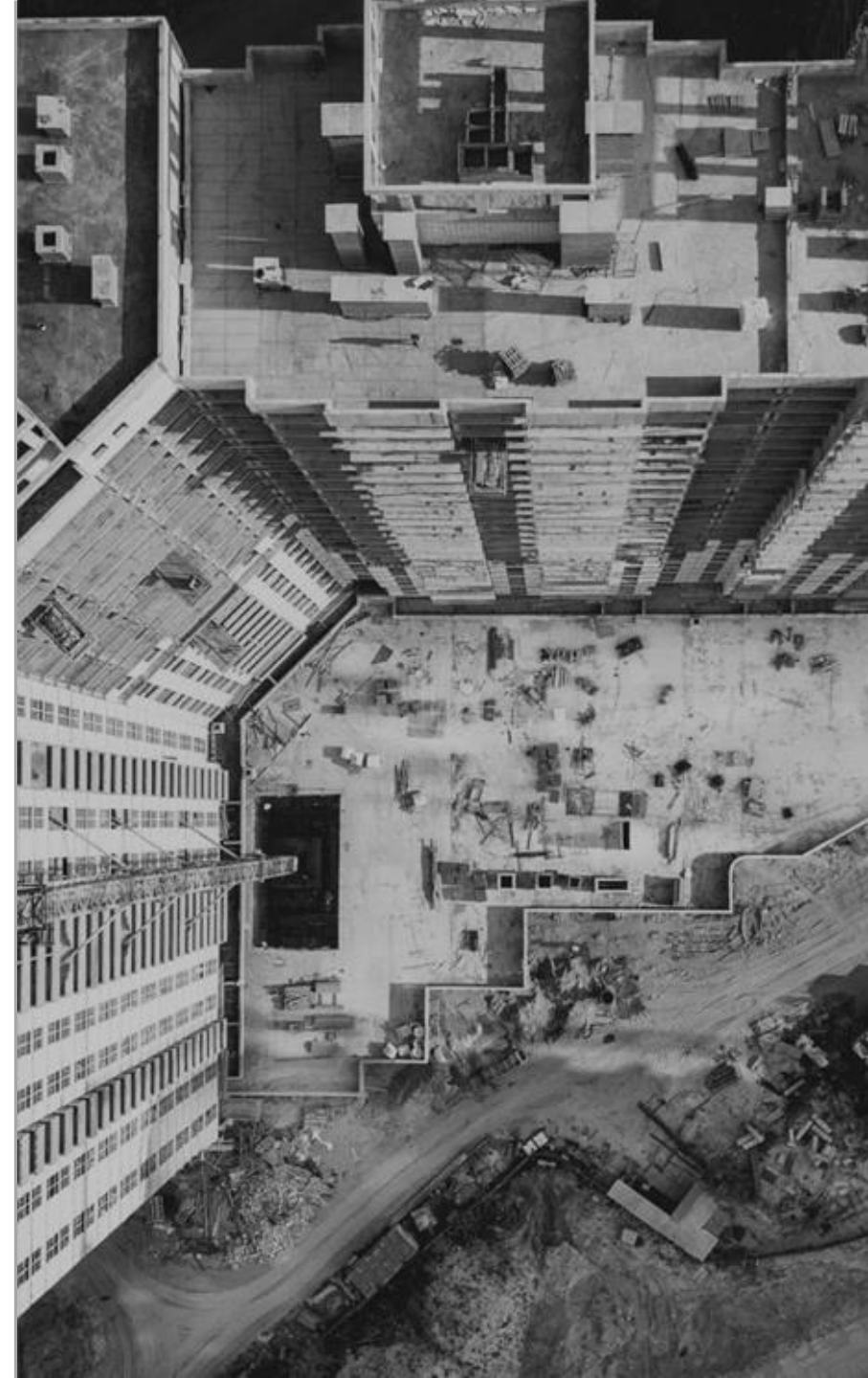
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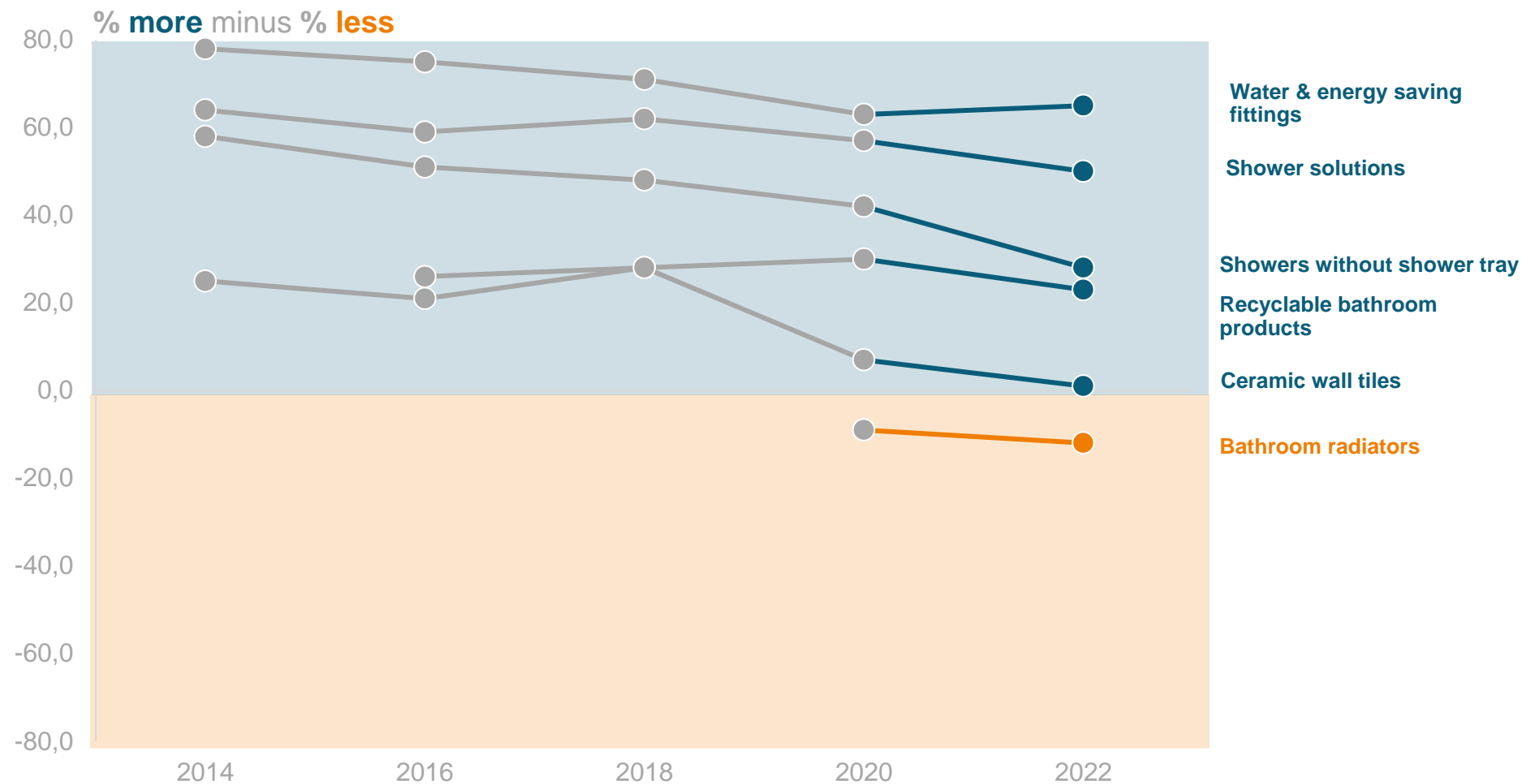
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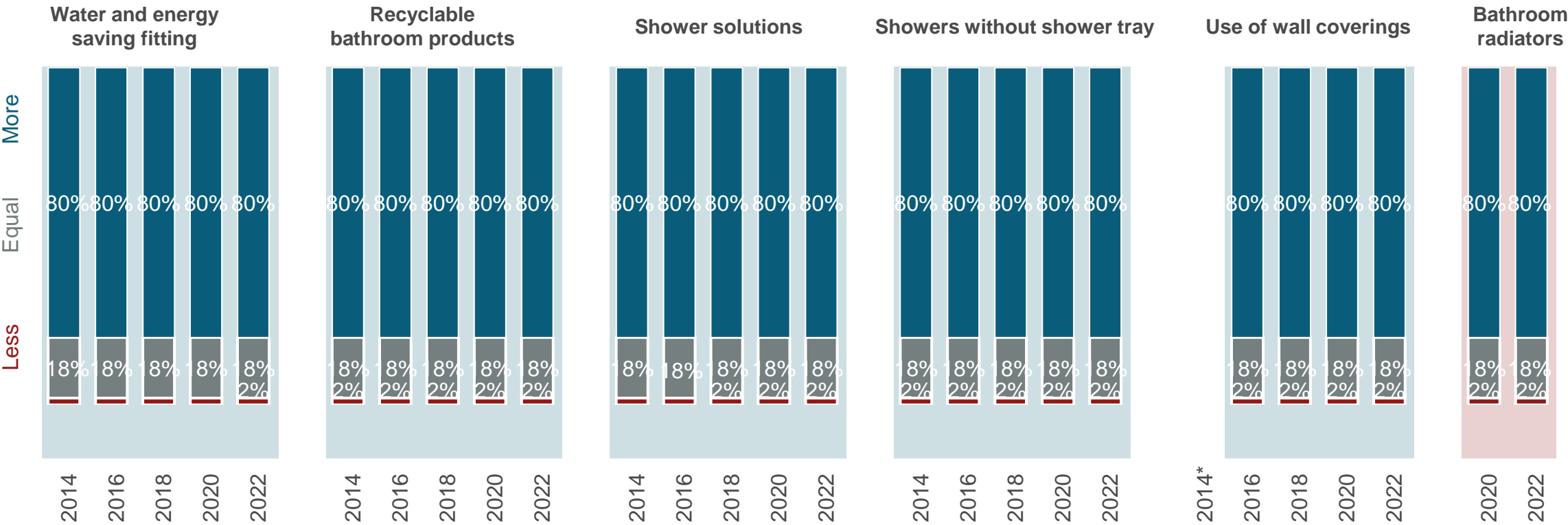
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Do you expect to use the following bathroom materials more, equally, or less in projects over the next five years?



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Do you expect to use the following **bathroom** materials more, equally, or less in projects over the next five years?



\* Data not available.

# Usage expectations bathroom materials: country overview

Do you expect to use the following **bathroom** materials more, equally, or less in projects over the next five years?



n=

n=

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n=

Water &amp; energy saving fittings

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Bathroom radiators

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Recyclable bathroom products

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Shower solutions

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Showers without shower tray

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Ceramic wall tiles

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Ceramic floor tiles

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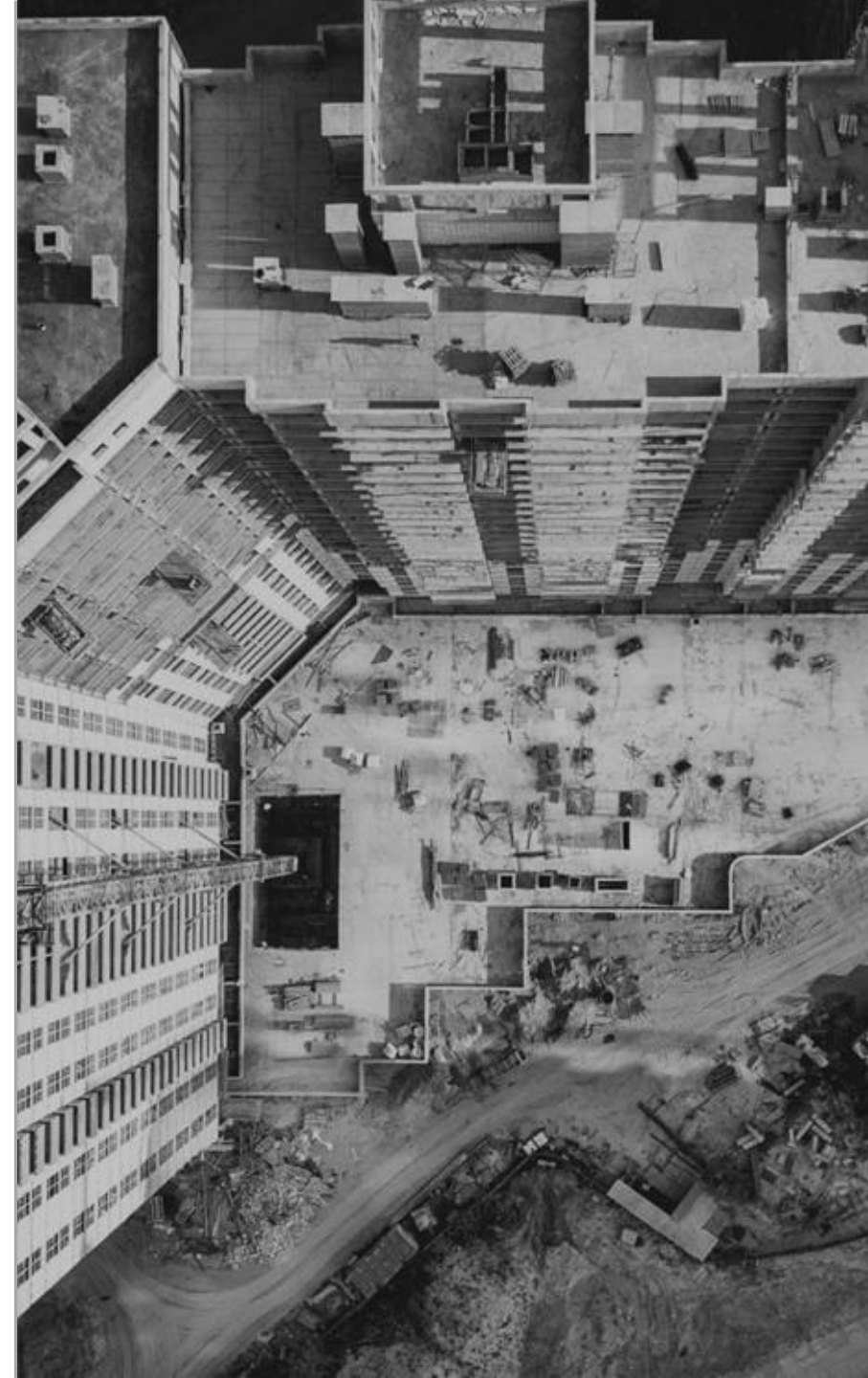
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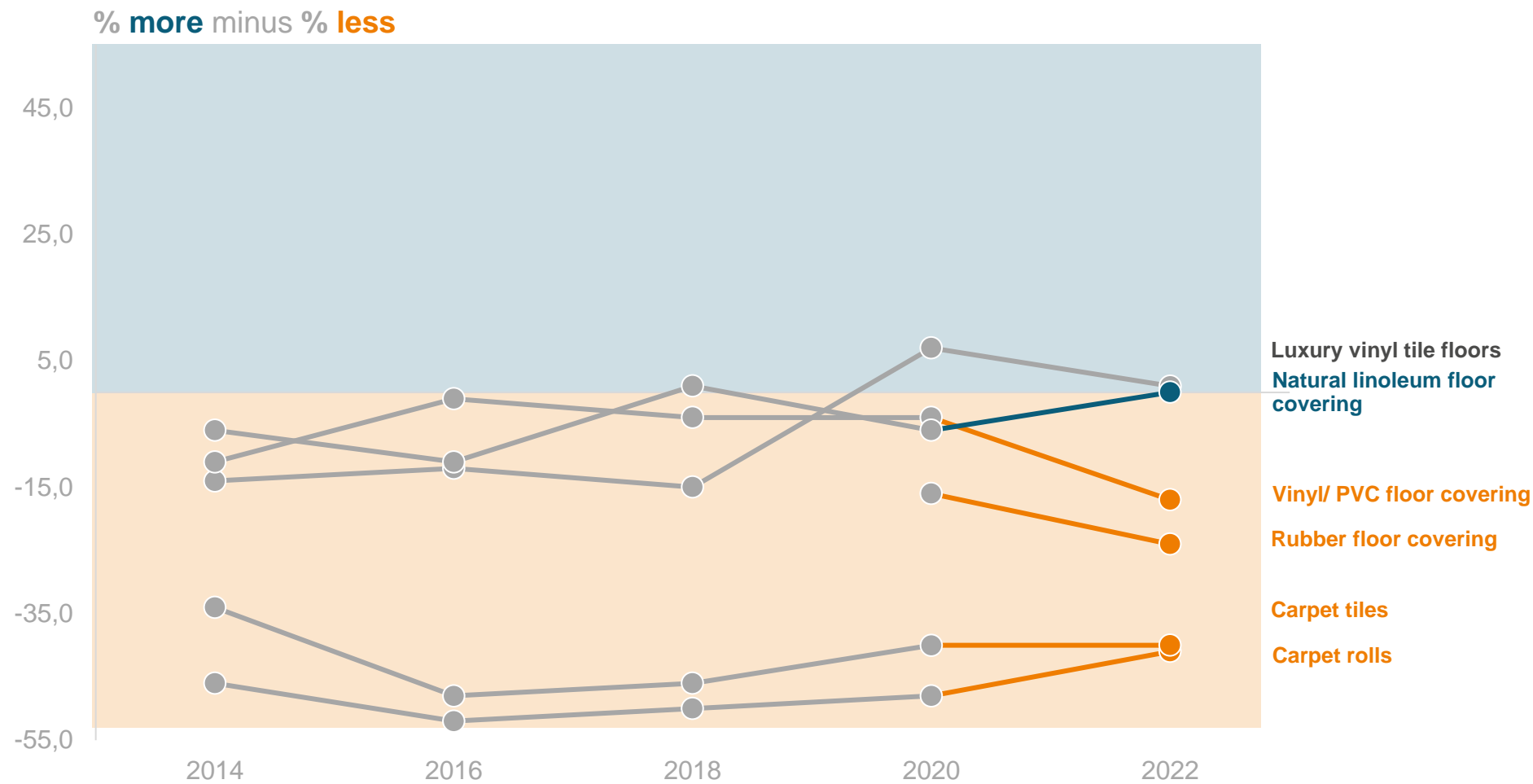
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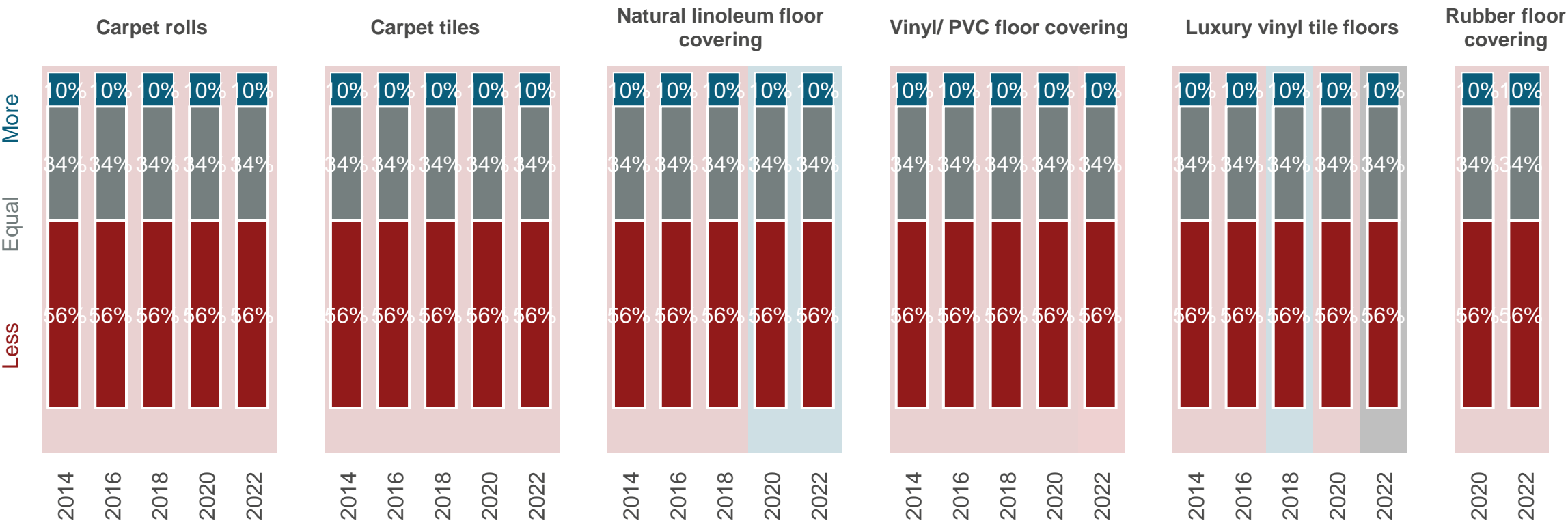
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# Usage expectations flooring materials: country overview

Do you expect to use the following **flooring** materials more, equally, or less in projects over the next five years?



n=

n=

n=

n=

n=

n=

n=

n=

Carpet rolls

2020

-19%

-19%

-19%

-19%

-19%

-19%

-19%

-19%

-15%

-15%

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Carpet tiles

2020

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-15%

Natural linoleum floor covering

2020

-19%

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-19%

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-15%

Vinyl / PVC floor covering

2020

-19%

-19%

-19%

-19%

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-15%

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-15%

Luxury Vinyl Tile floors (LVT)

2020

-19%

-19%

-19%

-19%

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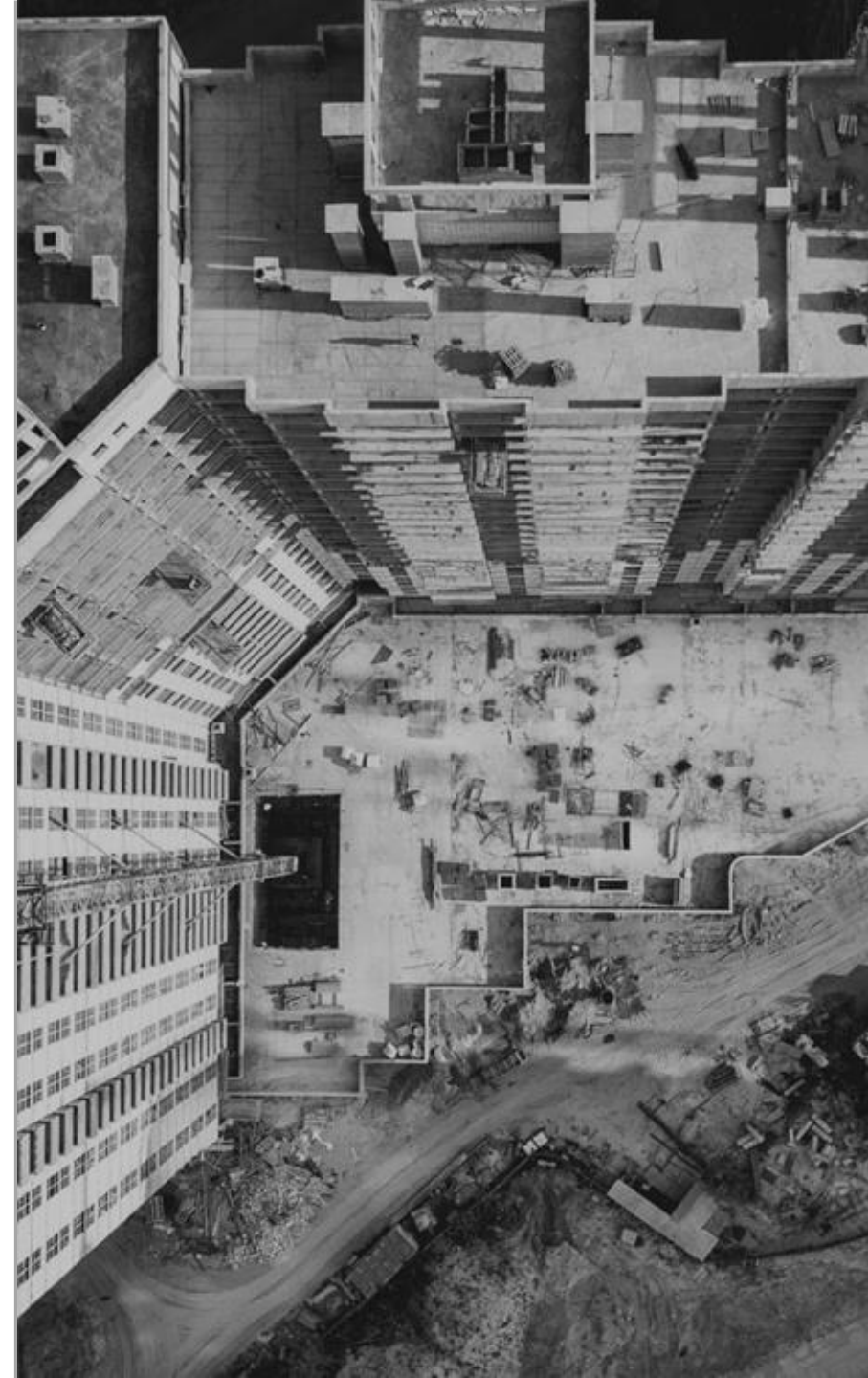
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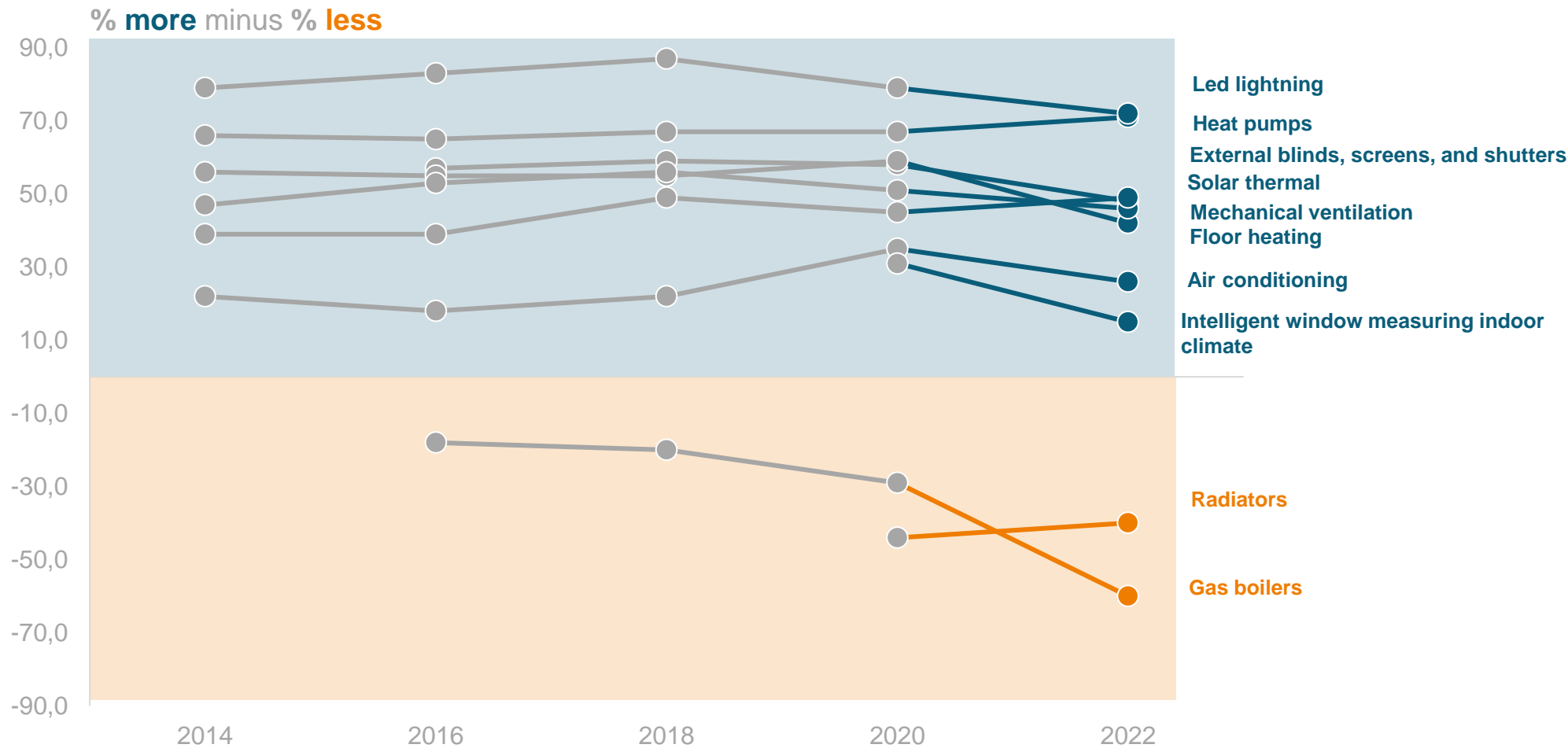
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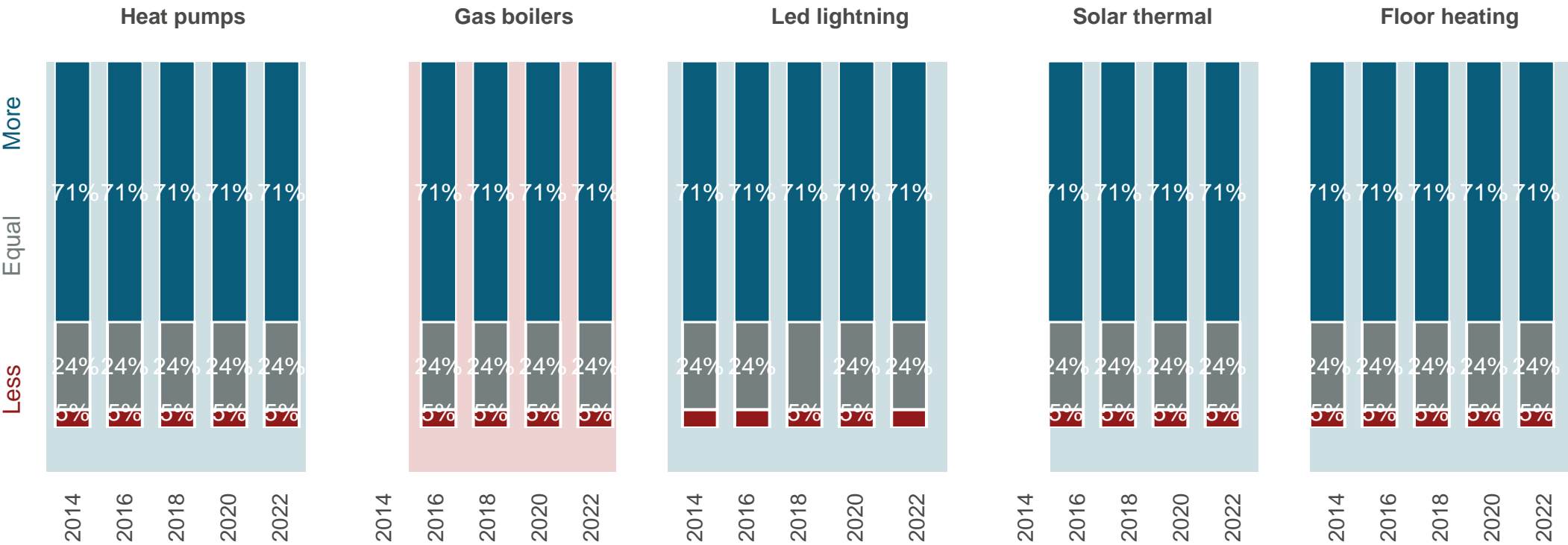
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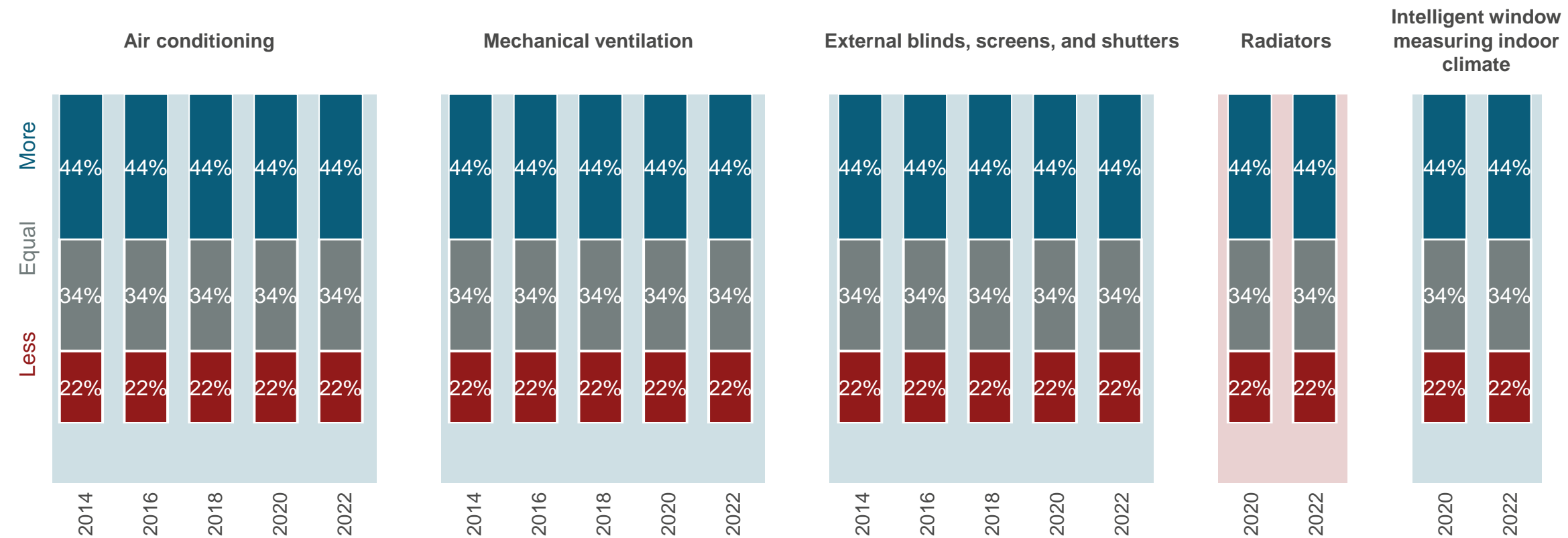
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# Usage expectations installation and climate control materials: country overview

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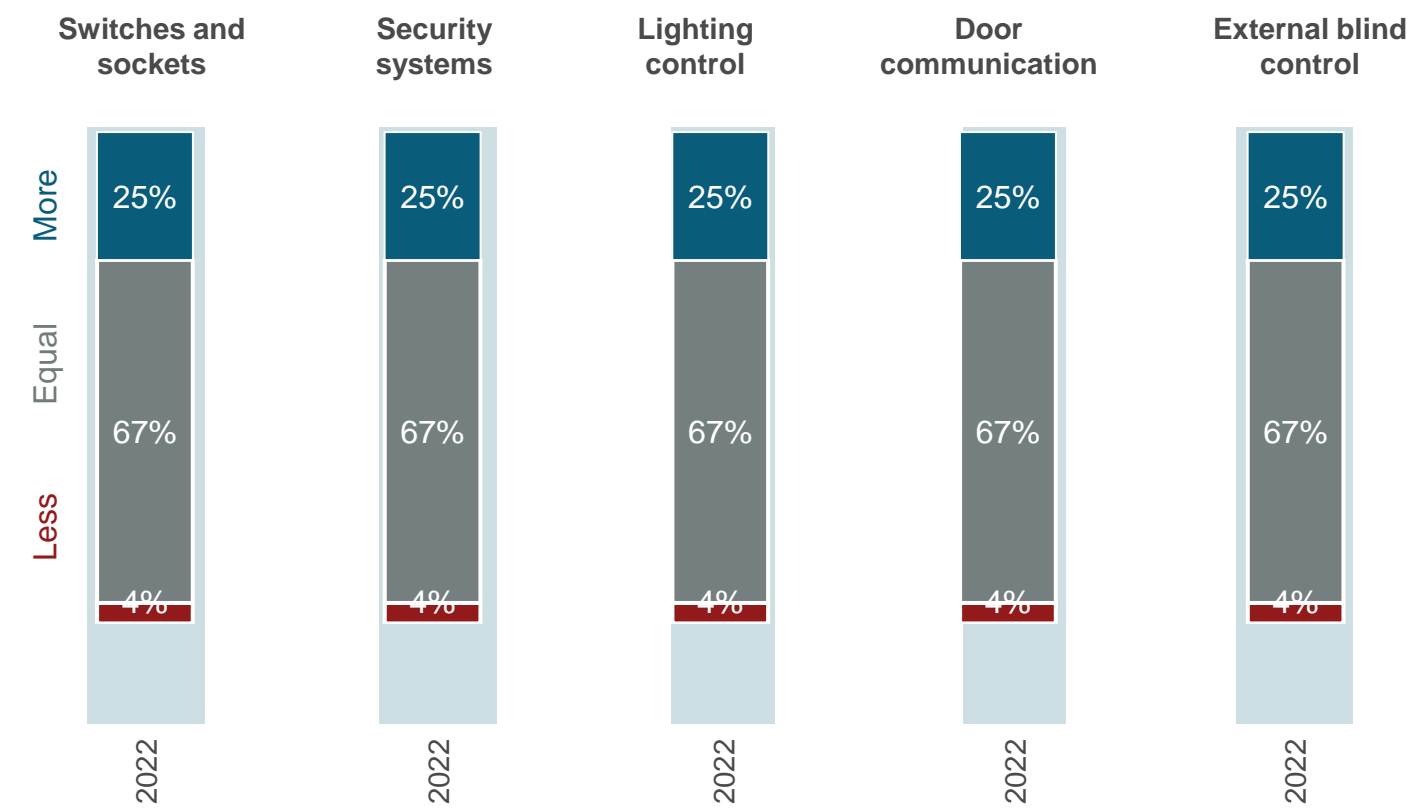
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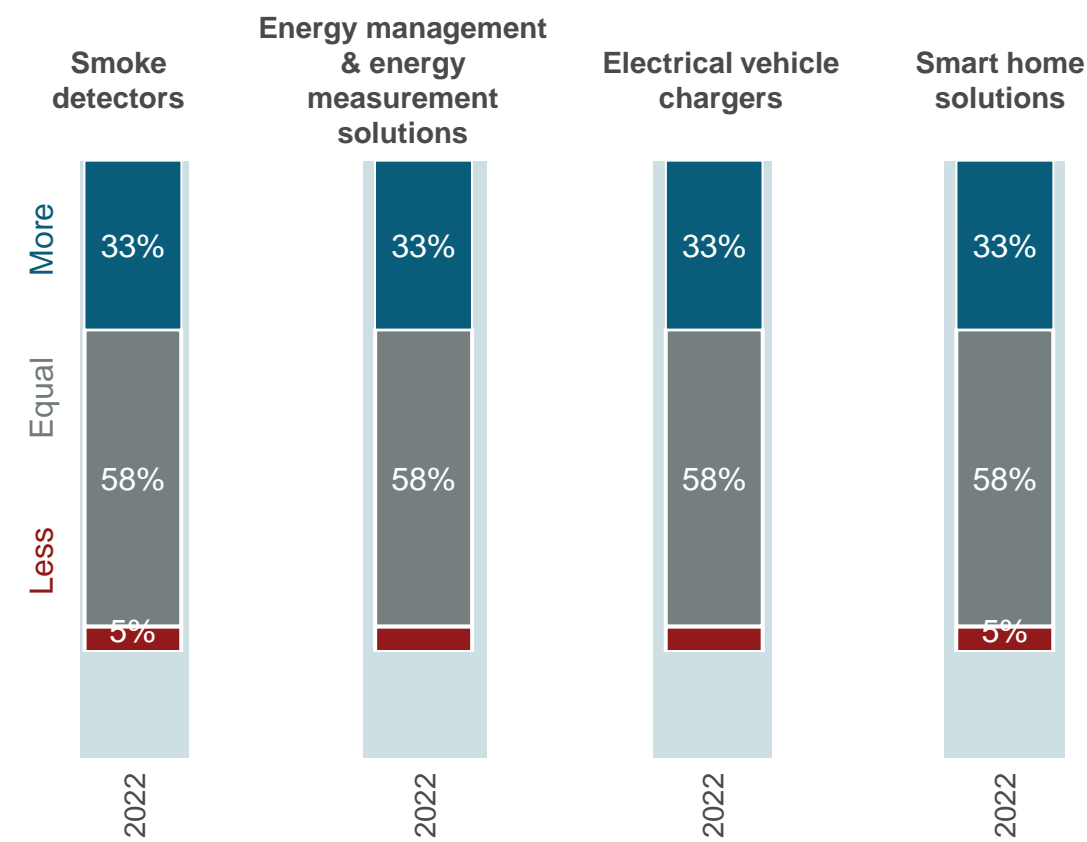
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Do you expect to use the following installation and control materials more, equally, or less in projects over the next five years?



\* Data not available.

# Usage expectations installation and control materials: country overview

Do you expect to use the following installation and control materials more, equally, or less in projects over the next five years?

								
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Switches and sockets	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%
Security systems	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%
Lighting control	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%
Door communication	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%
External blind control	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%
Smoke detectors	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%
Energy management & energy measurement solutions	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%
Electrical vehicle chargers	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%
Smart home solutions	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%

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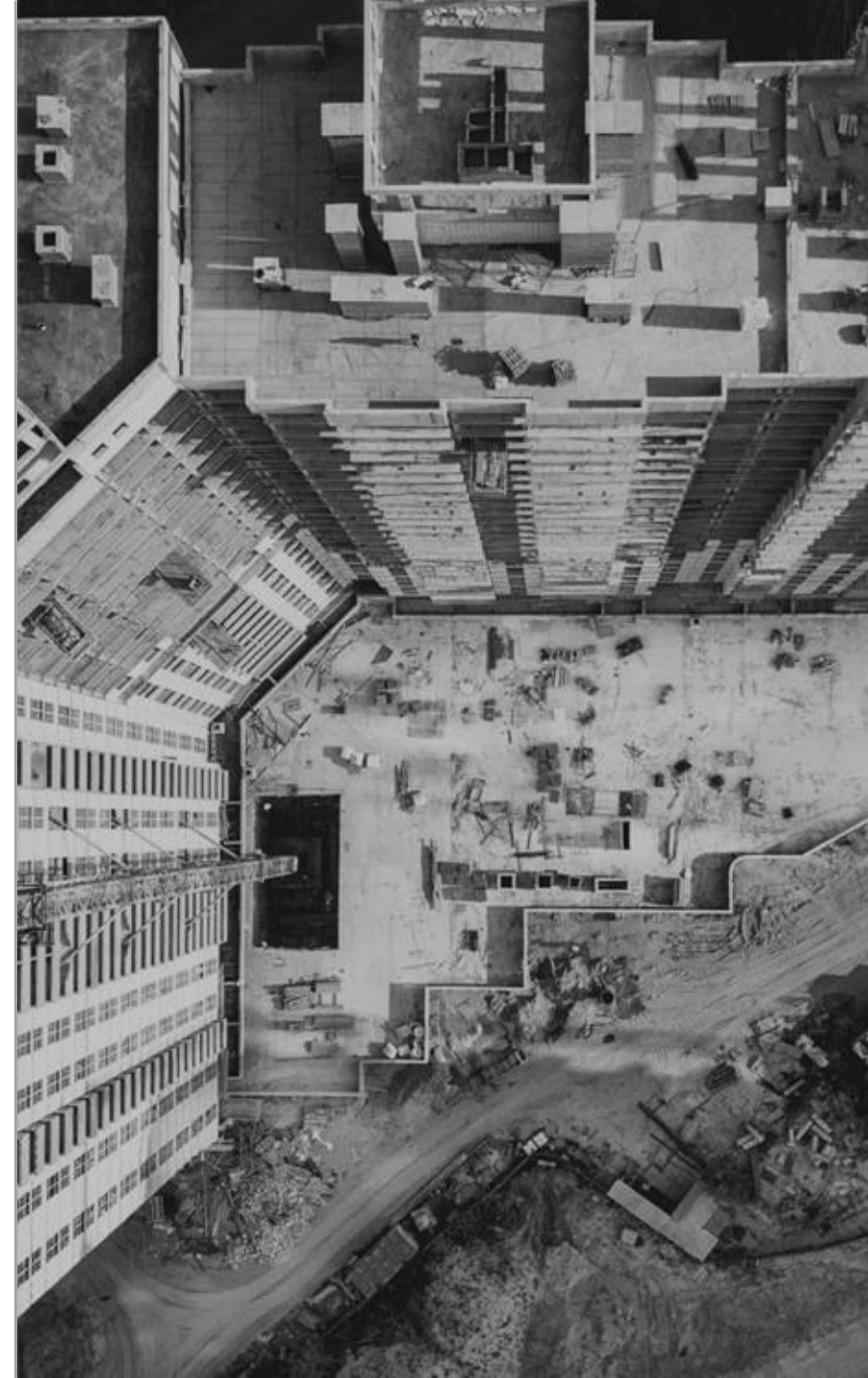
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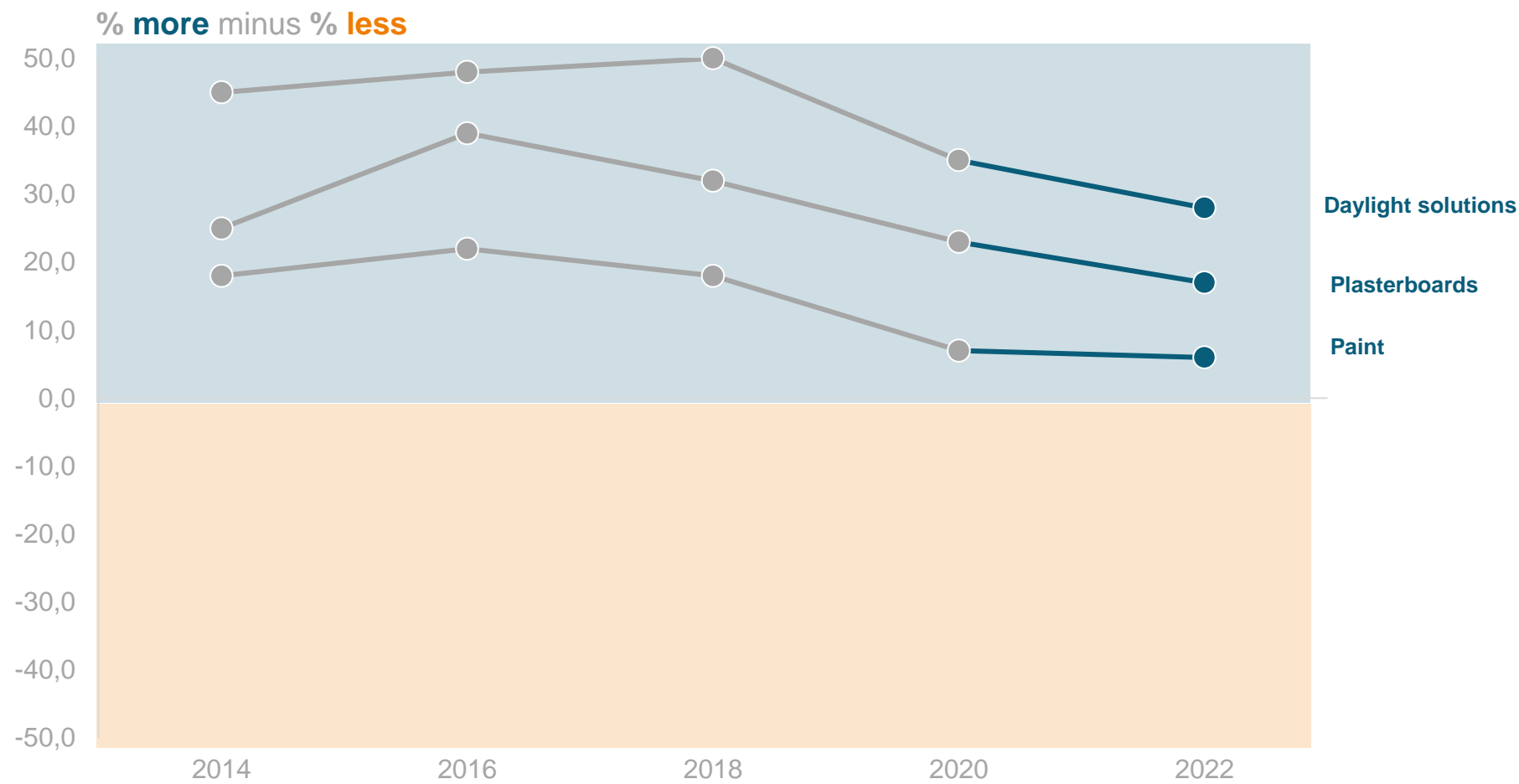
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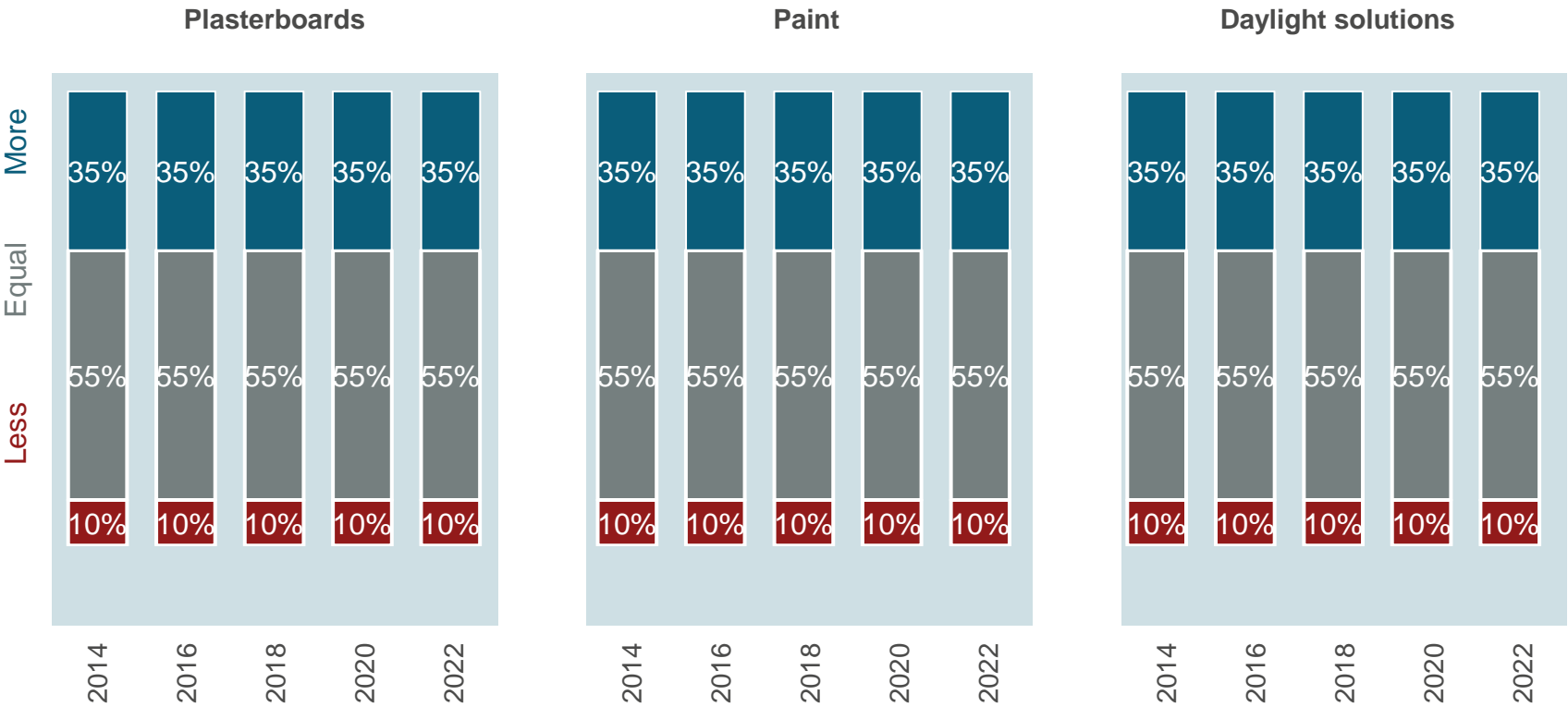
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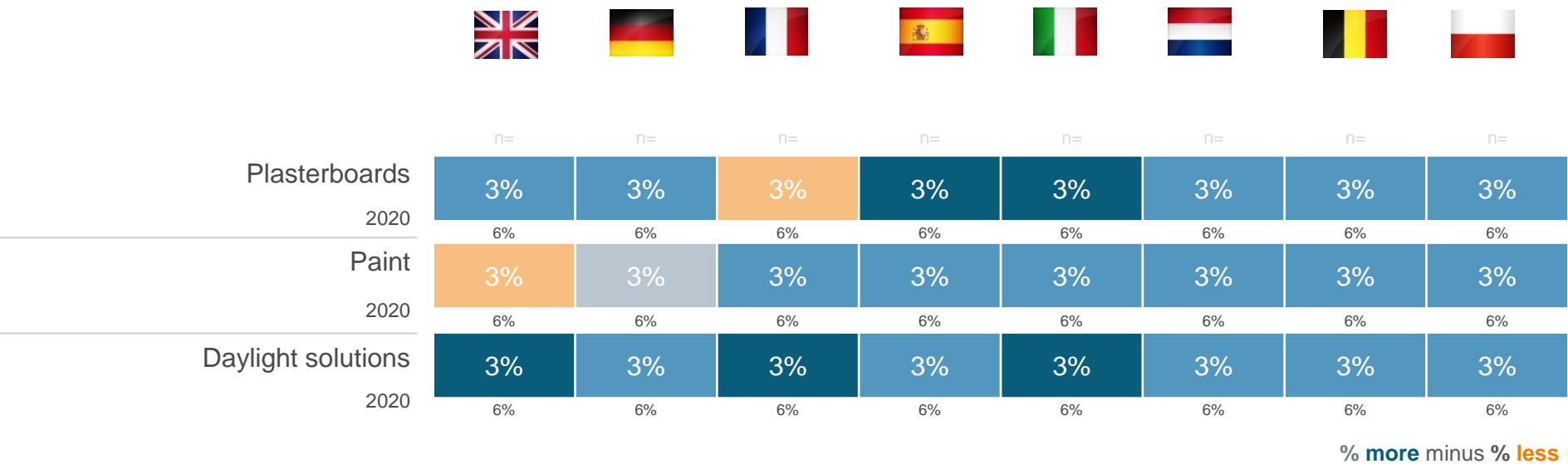
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# Usage expectations finishing materials and products: country overview

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# Sample and methodology of the research

Most architectural firms have less than two FTE. Nevertheless, the focus of the European Architectural Barometer is on the larger firms. Therefore, the research is only conducted among architectural firms with two FTE and more. As the study is focused on architects active in construction, architects that are solely active in interior or landscaping are excluded from the research.









The table below shows the number of successful interviews in each country. The difference between the gross sample of respondents that were reached (all reached numbers) and the net sample of respondents that were reached, was caused by those architects who could not be contacted or had an incorrect phone number, and those who did not meet the selection criteria (mostly due to the fact that the architectural firms had less than two FTE). The difference between the net sample of respondents reached and the response are the number of architects who refused to participate.

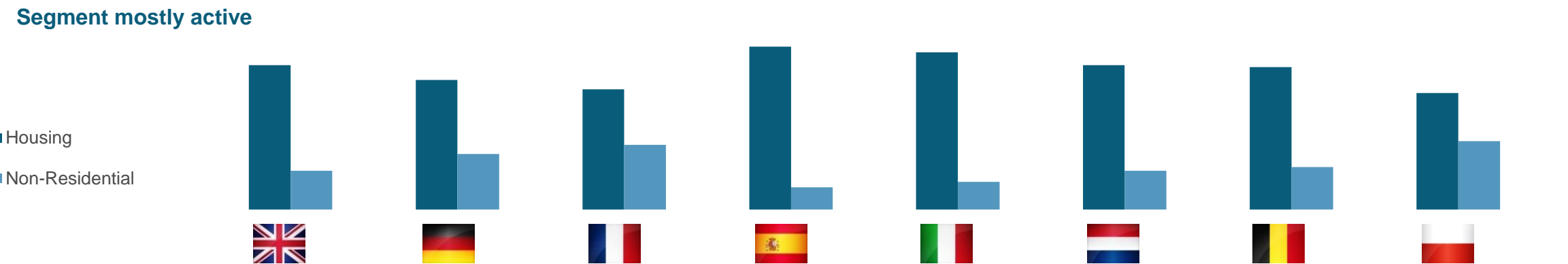
## Response

								
<b>Gross sample</b> (all attempts to approach respondents)	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000
<b>Net sample</b> (all approached respondents)	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000
<b>Completed interviews</b>	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000
<b>Response percentage</b> (interviews/ net sample)	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000

# Background of the architects

The table below shows the average number of employees of the architectural firms within the current quarter of this research, divided by country. The architectural firms with one employee were excluded from this research. The second table shows the segments in which architects within this research are mostly active.

Number of FTE								
Average	9,0	9,0	9,0	9,0	9,0	9,0	9,0	9,0
2 – 4 FTE	52%	52%	52%	52%	52%	52%	52%	52%
5 – 9 FTE	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%
10 – 19 FTE	11%	11%	11%	11%	11%	11%	11%	11%
20 – 39 FTE	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%
> 40 FTE	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%



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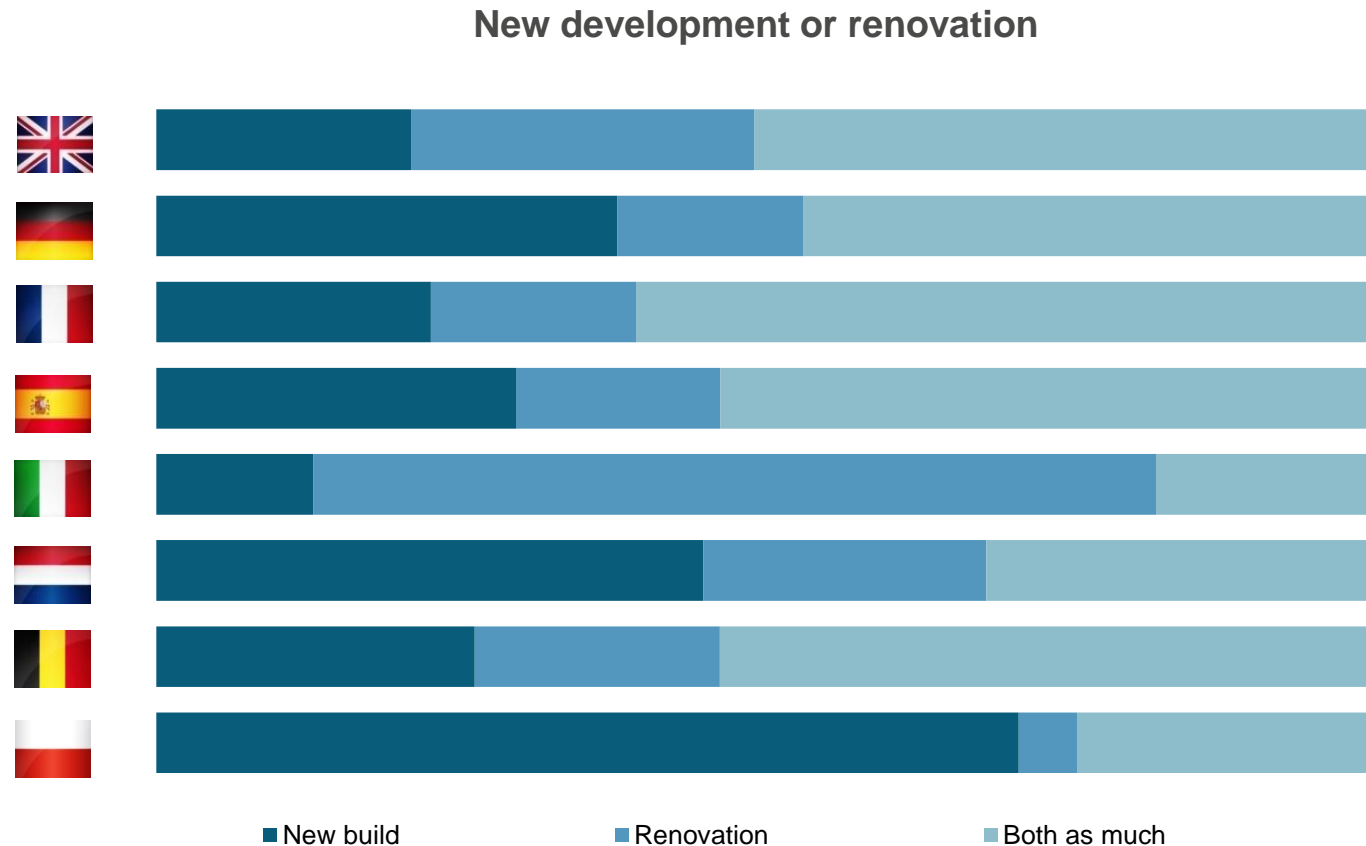
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# Background of the architects

The figure below shows the split in activities in new build and renovation. Italy has the smallest new build market with merely 12% claiming to be mainly active in new build. You can clearly see that most architects are active in the renovation segment. Almost half of the Polish architects do more new build, which is more than their colleagues from other European countries.



# About Arch-Vision

## European Architectural Barometer

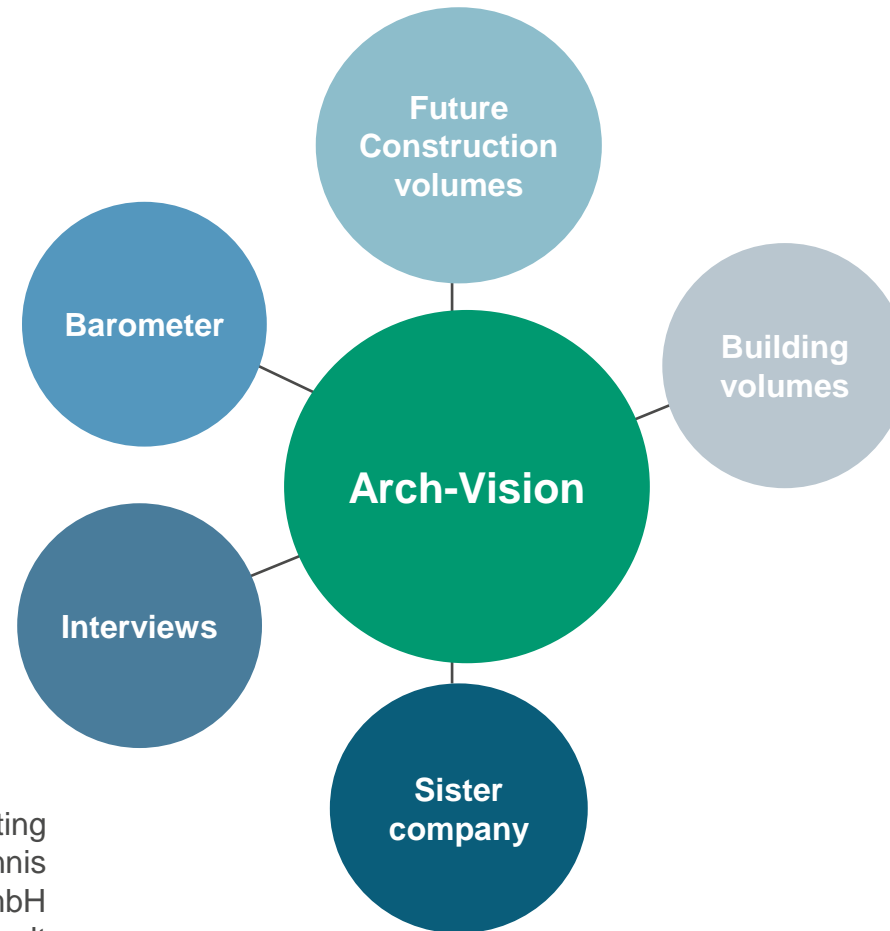
Architects have already been monitored by several institutes in quite diverging ways in the different countries. Arch-Vision launched this European Architectural Barometer for a more cohesive view. The European Architectural Barometer is extremely useful for organisations with a focus on Europe that also want to compare the activities of architects in different countries.

## Interviews

All interviews are conducted by native speakers. From the third measurement onwards, two hundred interviews per country have been completed per measurement. The first two measurements were based on one hundred interviews per country. Later, for the Netherlands and Belgium, the measurements returned to one hundred interviews.

## Sister company

Arch-Vision is a sister company of USP Marketing Consultancy ([www.usp-mc.eu](http://www.usp-mc.eu)), BouwKennis ([www.bouwkennis.nl](http://www.bouwkennis.nl)), BauInfoConsult GmbH ([www.bauinfoconsult.de](http://www.bauinfoconsult.de)) and BuildInfoConsult ([www.buildinfoconsult.com](http://www.buildinfoconsult.com)). These are major agencies each providing full-service research support and specialised in the construction and real estate markets.



## Future construction volumes

For decision makers charged with considerations of company resources, staffing and marketing strategy, a clear insight into future construction volumes is essential. However, economic indicators seldom provide an adequate picture of these volumes.

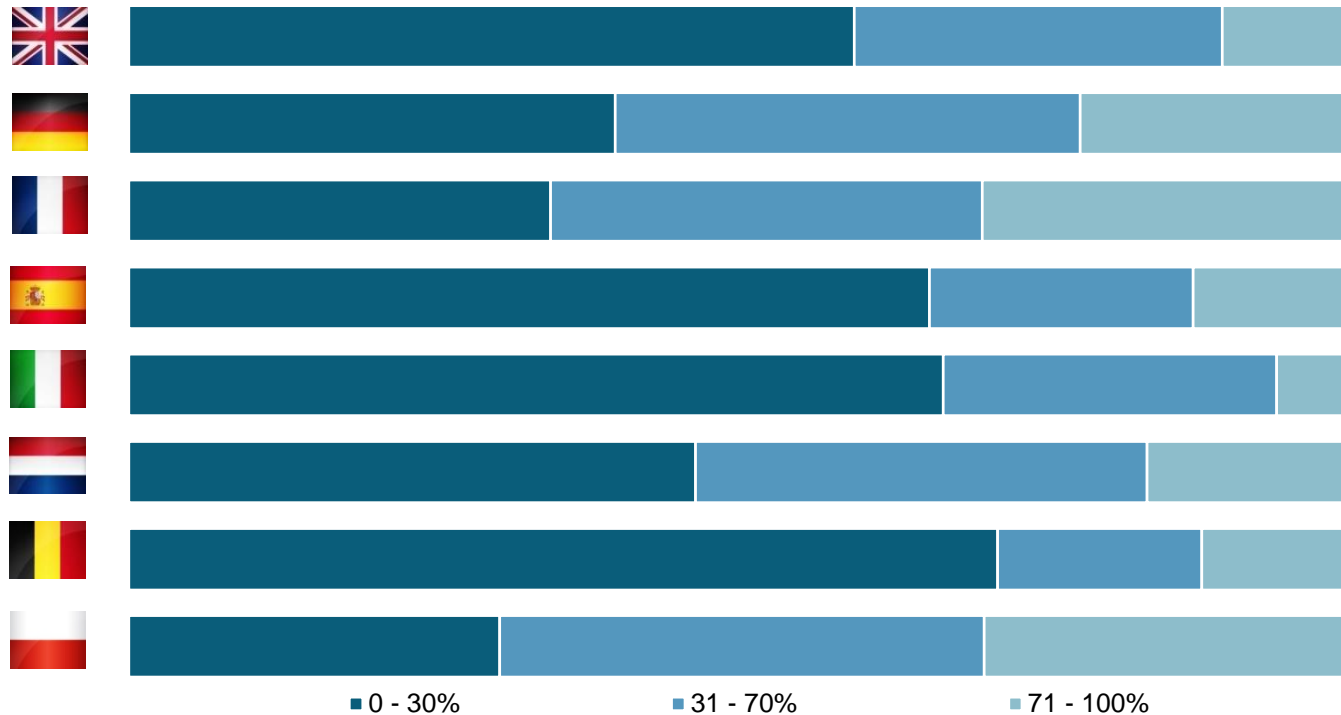
## Building volumes

The construction industry operates in a delayed cyclical market, which means that buildings designed today will not be ready until at least two years from now. The economic activities of architectural firms provide a strong indication of the direction in which the construction sector will develop in terms of both building volumes and the way in which building volumes will be realised.

# Results per segment

For three key questions from the current measurement of the European Architectural Barometer, the results are divided by architects that realise most of their sales in the residential segment (0% – 30% non-residential), by architects that realise sales in both segments (31% - 70% non-residential), and by architects that realise most of their sales in the non-residential segment (71% - 100% non-residential).

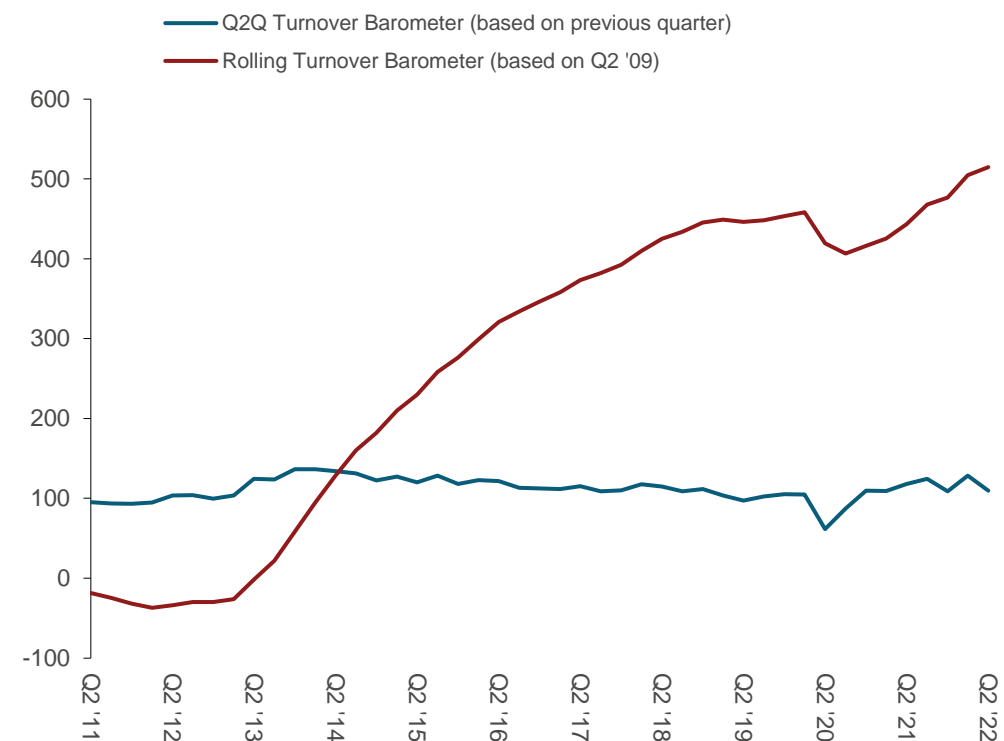
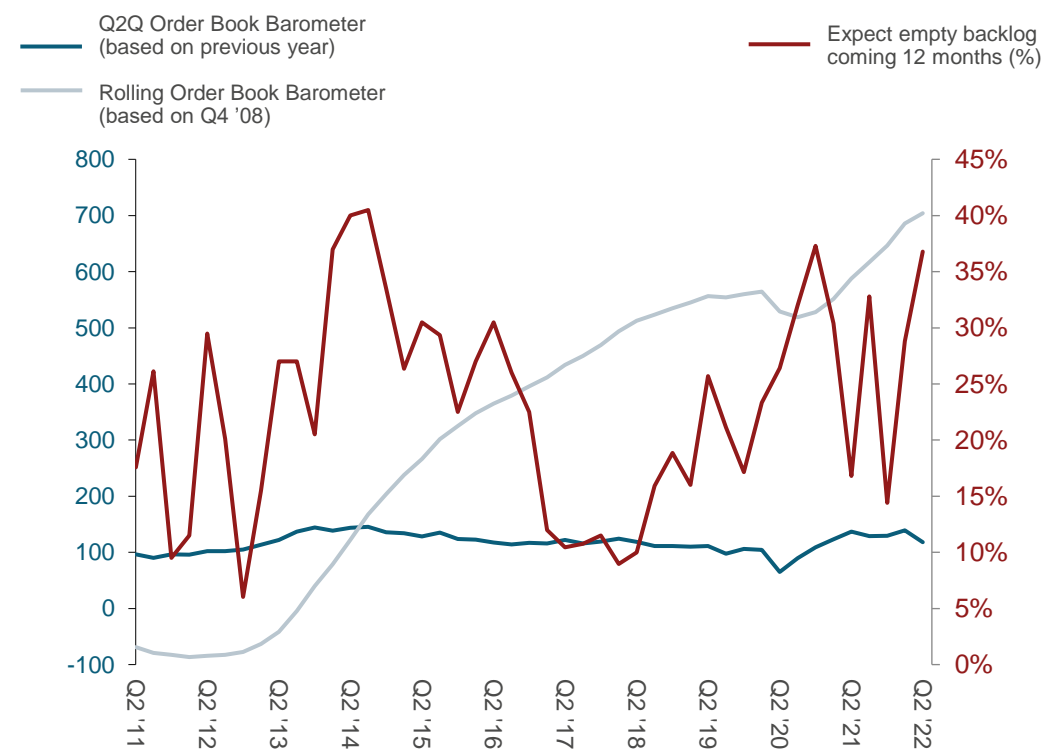
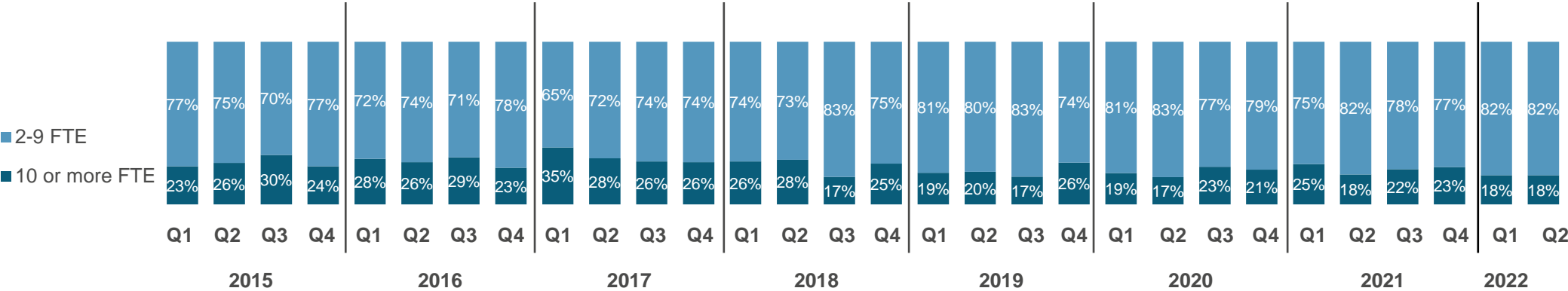
## Segment most active



The tables on the following pages show the abovementioned split with regard to the following questions:

- How did the turnover develop in this quarter compared to the previous quarter?
- How did your order book develop in this quarter compared to the same quarter last year?
- Do you expect that your order book might be empty these coming 12 months?









# Short-term outlook among British architects



# Development turnover and order book









## Development turnover

(based on previous quarter)

																								
% sales in non-residential	0 - 30	31 - 70	71 - 100	0 - 30	31 - 70	71 - 100	0 - 30	31 - 70	71 - 100	0 - 30	31 - 70	71 - 100	0 - 30	31 - 70	71 - 100	0 - 30	31 - 70	71 - 100	0 - 30	31 - 70	71 - 100	0 - 30	31 - 70	71 - 100
Strongly increased (>5%)	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%
Slightly increased (0-5%)	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Stayed the same (0%)	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%
Slightly decreased (0-5%)	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%
Strongly decreased (>5%)	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%
Barometer turnover	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6









## Development order book

(based on previous year)

																								
% sales in non-residential	0 - 30	31 - 70	71 - 100	0 - 30	31 - 70	71 - 100	0 - 30	31 - 70	71 - 100	0 - 30	31 - 70	71 - 100	0 - 30	31 - 70	71 - 100	0 - 30	31 - 70	71 - 100	0 - 30	31 - 70	71 - 100	0 - 30	31 - 70	71 - 100
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Slightly increased (0-5%)	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Stayed the same (0%)	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%
Slightly decreased (0-5%)	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%
Strongly decreased (>5%)	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%
Barometer order book	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6

# Expectation empty order book in the next 12 months

Expectation empty order book in the next 12 months

																								
% sales in non-residential	0 - 30	31 - 70	71 - 100	0 - 30	31 - 70	71 - 100	0 - 30	31 - 70	71 - 100	0 - 30	31 - 70	71 - 100	0 - 30	31 - 70	71 - 100	0 - 30	31 - 70	71 - 100	0 - 30	31 - 70	71 - 100	0 - 30	31 - 70	71 - 100
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No	62%	62%	62%	62%	62%	62%	62%	62%	62%	62%	62%	62%	62%	62%	62%	62%	62%	62%	62%	62%	62%	62%	62%	62%
Do not know	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%

# Methodology calculation of the Q2Q Saldo and Barometer

**The European Architectural Barometer for the order book development and turnover development is calculated in the following way:**

1. Respondents with a strong increase (>5%) are multiplied by 100
2. Respondents with a slight increase are multiplied by 50
3. Respondents that remained the same are multiplied by 0
4. Respondents with a slight decrease are multiplied by -50
5. Respondents with a strong decrease (>5%) are multiplied by -100
6. The sum of these values divided by 100, results in the Q2Q saldo.
7. Adding 100 to this saldo results in the Barometer figures, where 0 is the strongest possible decrease, 100 is stabilisation and 200 is the strongest possible increase.

The Barometer values calculated this way are presented in the report as Quarter to Quarter Turnover and Order book Barometer.

## Example of calculation Q2Q Barometer value:

Development Turnover Spain	Q2 '15		Calculated Values
Increased by more than 5%	25%	x 100	2500
Slightly increased (0-5%)	28%	x 50	1400
Stayed the same (0%)	36%	x 0	0
Slightly decreased (0-5%)	3%	x -50	-150
Decreased by more than 5%	8%	x -100	-800

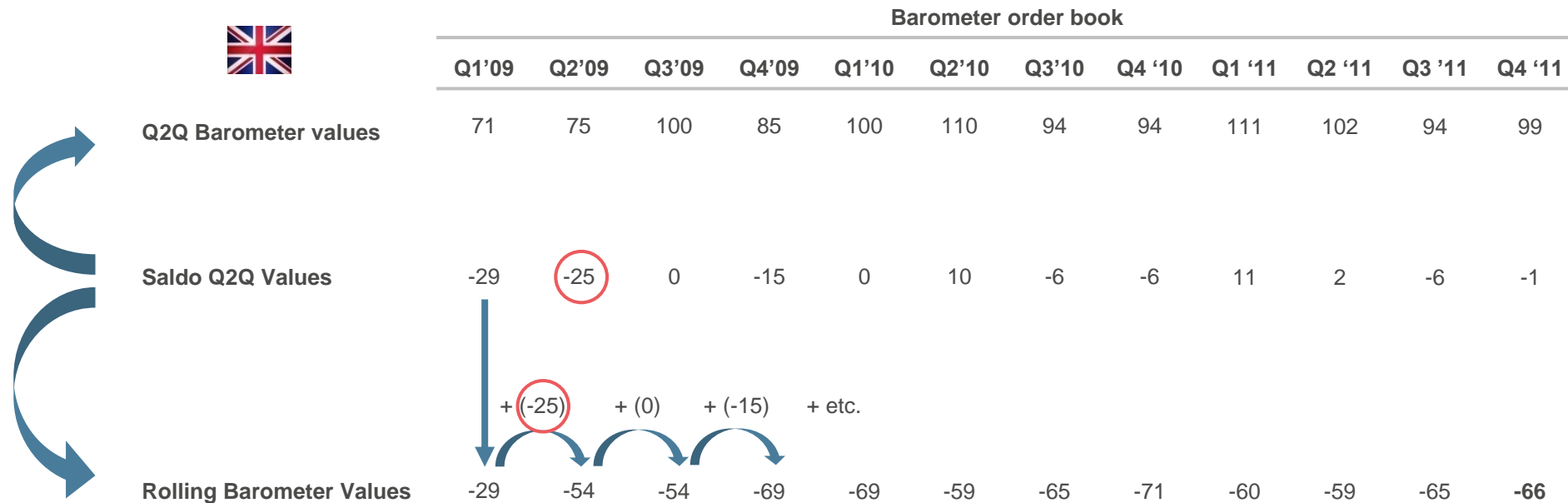
$$\text{Q2Q Saldo} = (2500 + 1400 - 150 - 800) / 100 = 30$$

$$\text{Q2Q Barometer value} = 100 + 30 = \mathbf{130}$$

# Methodology calculation of the Q2Q Saldo and Barometer

To calculate the developments in the turnover and the order book with regard to the first measurement in 2009, Arch-Vision has developed the so-called Rolling Barometer. The Rolling Barometer is calculated as the cumulative sum of the Q2Q saldos of every quarter. The Rolling Barometer can drop or rise by 100 points per quarter at maximum.

Example: The Rolling Order Book Barometer is -66 after twelve quarters. In the worst case (all architects reporting a decrease of over 5% every quarter) the Rolling Barometer would be -1200. In the best case it would be 1200. Therefore a score of -66 in Q4 2011 means a slightly worse situation than in Q4 2008.



# Future building volumes: building a model for prediction

## Building volumes

Architects are at the front of the construction sector. They are the first to perceive positive and negative changes. The current developments of architectural firms have a strong predictive impact on the total market. Arch-Vision publishes its predictions for the building volumes based on the developments experienced by architects.

## The model

Arch-Vision uses a model based on eleven market indicators and Arch-Vision's own results. The model combines information about the economy, like construction requests and confidence figures, with data about the developments within architects' experience, such as changes in the turnover and the number of active architects. Only information that proved to have a strong correlative value on the building volume is used. Subsequently, every kind of data is weighed based on the predictive value.

## High predictive value

To ensure the correctness of the predictive value, the model has been – with retroactive effects – compared to the actual growth and shrinkage of the construction volume since 2003 for the Dutch\* market and since Q3 2009 for the remaining countries. The model turns out to possess a very high predictive value. Nevertheless, the forecast has to be interpreted with caution, as it remains a calculation. As with all predictions, the margin of error can be larger, comparable to the weather forecast: sometimes the Arch-Vision model can be inaccurate.

## Calculation predictive value

The predictive value is calculated based on the consistency of the market indicators with construction volumes, for the renovation, maintenance and the new build markets. The correlation is determined by a regression analysis, i.e. a statistical technique for analysing data in which there is a (possible) specific connection, known as regression.

\* Since 2003, the developments of architects in the Netherlands have been monitored by Arch-Vision's sister organisation BouwKennis. Therefore, it is possible for the Netherlands to calculate the connection between the architects and the building volume based on 10 years of data.

# Future building volumes: Calculation

The Dutch market has been taken as a basis. The correlation between market volume regarding new build, maintenance and renovation on the one hand, and possible explanatory factors on the other hand, serves as a starting point.

The correlation with building volumes is tested for a total of eleven market indicators together with two outcomes of the European Architectural Barometer. The correlation of the following four indicators appeared to be strongest:

- Building permits – m<sup>2</sup> of useful floor area in non-residential buildings
- Building permits, number of dwellings
- Development of Turnover Barometer (European Architectural Barometer figures)
- Number of FTE working at architectural companies (European Architectural Barometer figures)

The predicting value of these indicators is between 54% and 91%. Because a longer history of data was not available for most countries, the development of these four indicators in the last four quarters and the four quarters before served as a guidance for this measurement. The used range of five indicators is not static and can be adjusted for future calculations. With the database becoming more complete, more reliable correlations can adjust the mix of indicators. A longer range of regression measurements shall replace the comparison of the last four quarters with the four quarters before.

The forecast is based on the market knowledge of USP Marketing Consultancy together with the market figures available, such as building permits and the developments among architects who are mainly active in renovation or new build as well as mainly active in residential or non-residential. Due to the limited number of quarters, a forecast based on a statistical model is not possible for now. The model that was used has a lower prediction value for this period. However, USP Marketing Consultancy aims at clarifying the general direction of the construction market development by publishing these data and the predictions will be updated in the coming reports.

# Questionnaire – Standard

These questions are asked every measurement

1. How many employees (in FTE) does your company currently have, including yourself? [if less than 2 FTE, end of research]
2. What is your position?
3. As an architectural firm, are you mostly active in the segment housing, non-residential building, interior, or landscaping? [If interior or landscaping, end of research]
4. How many employees in FTE did your company have at the end of 2021?
5. How many employees in FTE did your company have at the end of 2020?
6. How many employees in FTE did your company have at the end of 2019?
7. If your turnover should relate to housing and non-housing, what percentage of your revenue do you get from housing-related jobs?
8. Are you mostly active in new build or renovation?
9. How did the turnover develop this quarter compared to the previous quarter? Decreased by more than 5%; slightly decreased (0-5%); stayed the same (0%); slightly increased (0-5%); strongly increased (more than 5%)
10. How did your order book develop in this quarter compared to the same quarter previous year? Decreased by more than 5%; slightly decreased (0-5%); stayed the same (0%); slightly increased (0-5%); strongly increased (more than 5%)
11. How many projects have been postponed in this quarter?
12. How many projects were not started and cancelled in this quarter?
13. Do you expect that your order book might be empty these coming 12 months?

# Questionnaire – Theme questions

1. For the following materials, I would like to know whether you expect to use these more, equally, or less in projects in the next five years.

1. Building envelope/ structure

- Masonry bricks
- Timber sheets
- Prefab / precast concrete
- Large formats of masonry materials, e.g. AAC panels, large formats of CSU / Clay bricks
- Metal sheets

2. For façades

- Bricks
- Façade panels (Fibre cement/ HPL panels)
- Aluminium composite materials (ACM)
- Architectural glass
- Concrete/ plasterwork
- Metal
- Stone wool cladding
- Wood facades
- External drywall system

3. For metals

- Steel
- Aluminium
- Zinc
- Stainless steel

4. For pitch roofs

- Clay roof tiles
- Concrete roof tiles
- Pre-painted metal roof
- Zinc roofs
- Bituminous roof shingles

# Questionnaire – Theme questions

## 5. For flat roofs

- Thermoset membranes (EPDM or so-called rubber roofing)
- Thermoplastic membranes (TPO, PVC)
- Modified bitumen membranes
- Asphalt

## 6. For insulation

- PUR/ PIR insulation materials
- Glass mineral wool
- Stone wool/ rock mineral wool
- Polystyrene foams (EPS/ XPS)
- Natural materials (such as cellulose, wood fibre, sheep's wool, hemp)

## 7. In bathrooms

- Water & energy saving fittings (taps, mixers, showers, etc.)
- Bathroom radiators
- Recyclable bathroom products
- Ceramic wall tiles
- Ceramic floor tiles
- Shower solutions (instead of bathtubs)
- Showers without shower tray
- Use of wall coverings

# Questionnaire – Theme questions

## 8. For flooring

- Carpet rolls (textile floors)
- Carpet tiles (textile floors)
- Natural linoleum floor covering
- Vinyl/ PVC floor covering
- Luxury vinyl tile floors (LVT)
- Rubber floor covering

## 9. For installation and climate control

- Heat Pumps
- Gas boilers
- LED Lighting
- Solar thermal
- Floor heating
- Air conditioning
- Mechanical ventilation
- External Blinds, screens and shutters
- Intelligent windows measuring indoor climate
- Radiators

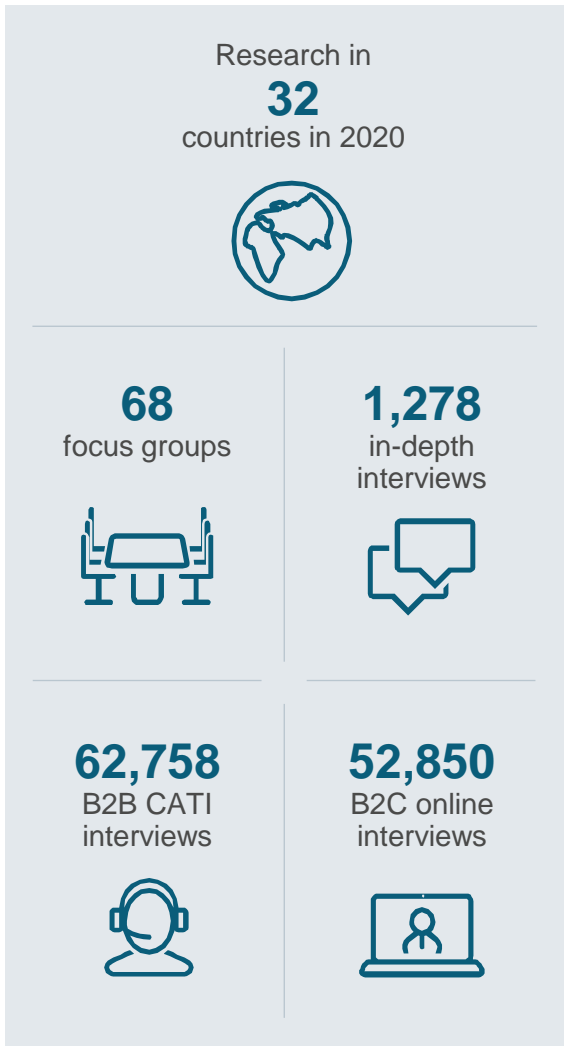
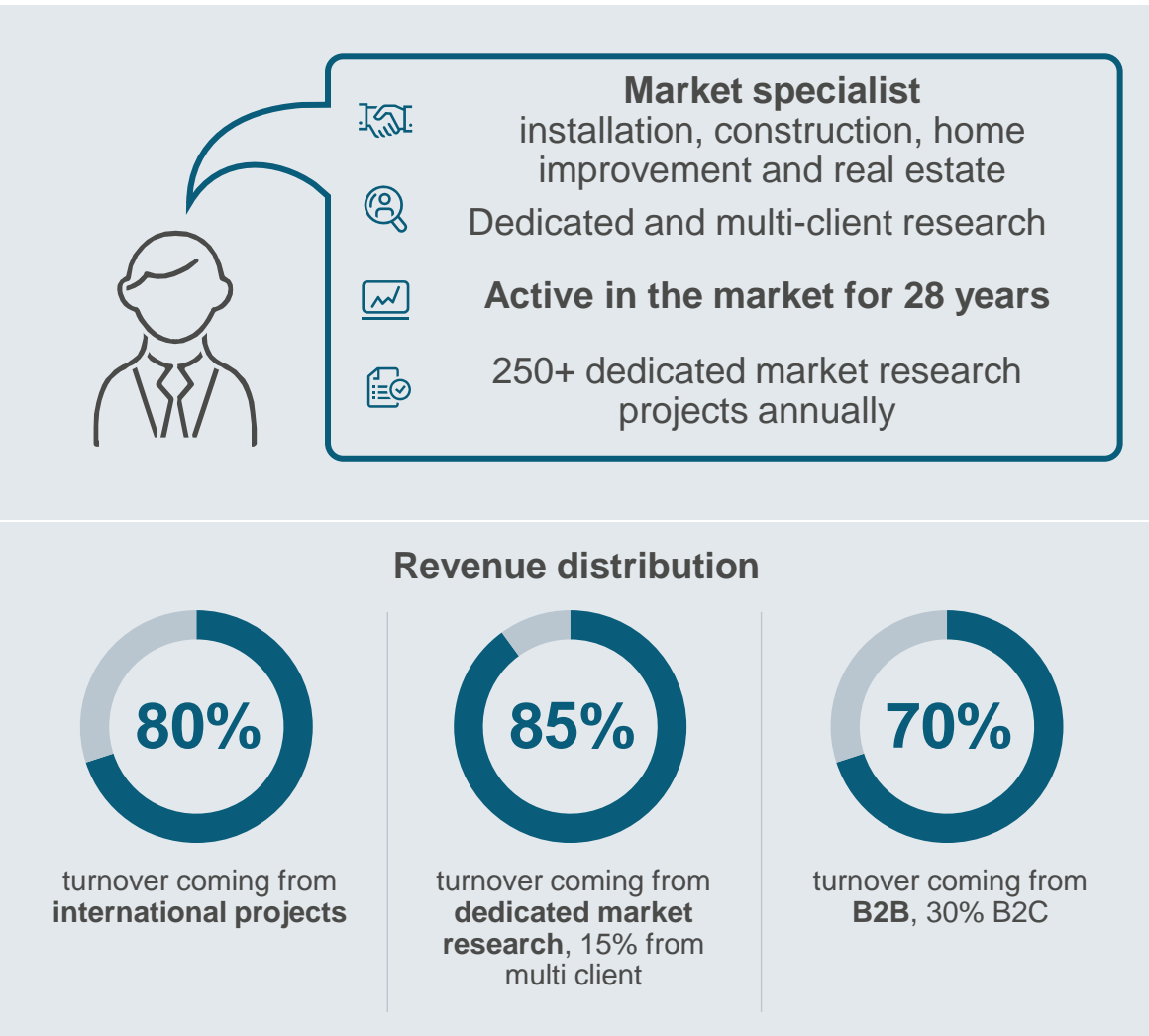
## 9. For installation and control

- Switches and sockets
- Security systems
- Lighting control
- Door communication
- External blind control
- Smoke detectors
- Energy management & energy measurement solutions
- Electrical vehicle chargers
- Smart home solutions

## 10. Finishing materials and products

- Plasterboards
- Paint
- Daylight solutions (roof windows, skylights, rooflights etc.)

# About USP



# What we do

## Examples



**Segmentation**



**Customer  
journey**



**Branding**



**Concept/  
product  
research**



**Customer  
satisfaction**



**Trends**



**Distribution  
research**



**Market  
exploration**



**Pricing**















**Market  
size**



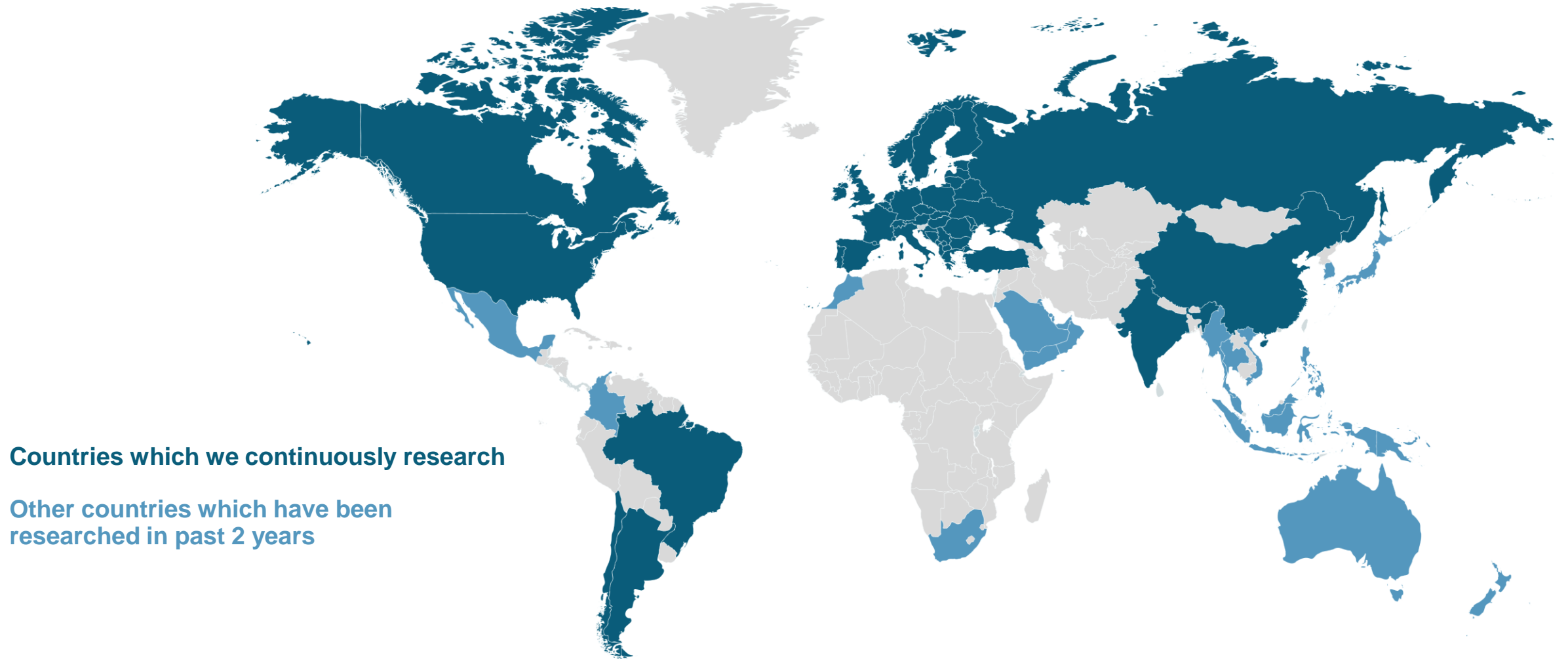
## Dedicated market research

- Tailor made
- Driven by your information needs
- Advice & consultancy based on facts and over 25 years of experience in the industry
- Worldwide coverage
- B2B, B2C, qualitative and quantitative research or a combination of both
- Within our market specialism, all types of researches can be conducted
- Targeting the right audience, with the right questions at the right time.

# Our multi-client research monitors

	European  <b>Architectural Barometer</b>	European  <b>Contractor Monitor</b>	European  <b>Mechanical Installation Monitor</b>	European  <b>Electrical Installation Monitor</b>	European  <b>Painter Insight Monitor</b>	European  <b>Home Improvement Monitor</b>
<b>Target group</b>	Architects	Building contractors	HVAC installers	Electrical installers	Professional painters	Consumers
<b>Methodology</b>						
<b>Annual sample size</b>	3,400 interviews	2,050 interviews	2,600 interviews	3,000 interviews	2,300 interviews	26,400 interviews
<b>Country scope</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Germany</li> <li>• United Kingdom</li> <li>• France</li> <li>• Netherlands</li> <li>• Belgium</li> <li>• Poland</li> <li>• Spain</li> <li>• Italy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Germany</li> <li>• United Kingdom</li> <li>• France</li> <li>• Netherlands</li> <li>• Belgium</li> <li>• Poland</li> <li>• Spain</li> <li>• Italy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Germany</li> <li>• United Kingdom</li> <li>• France</li> <li>• Netherlands</li> <li>• Belgium</li> <li>• Poland</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Germany</li> <li>• United Kingdom</li> <li>• France</li> <li>• Netherlands</li> <li>• Belgium</li> <li>• Poland</li> <li>• Spain</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Germany</li> <li>• United Kingdom</li> <li>• France</li> <li>• Netherlands</li> <li>• Belgium</li> <li>• Poland</li> <li>• Spain</li> <li>• Italy</li> <li>• Denmark</li> <li>• Sweden</li> <li>• Austria</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Germany</li> <li>• United Kingdom</li> <li>• France</li> <li>• Netherlands</li> <li>• Belgium</li> <li>• Poland</li> <li>• Spain</li> <li>• Italy</li> <li>• Denmark</li> <li>• Sweden</li> <li>• Austria</li> </ul>
<b>Way of reporting</b>	Quarterly	Bi-annually	Quarterly	Quarterly	Annually	Quarterly
<b>2022 Theme topics</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Q1: Sustainability and Circularity</li> <li>• Q2: Trends in Material Usage</li> <li>• Q3: Decision Making in the Construction Industry</li> <li>• Q4: Love Brands</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• H1: Prefab</li> <li>• H2: Digitalisation and BIM</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Q1: BIM</li> <li>• Q2: Prefab or direct buying from manufacturers</li> <li>• Q3: Smart buildings and products</li> <li>• Q4: Media orientation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Q1: Sustainability</li> <li>• Q2: Smart buildings</li> <li>• Q3: Services in the installation market</li> <li>• Q4: Branding</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trend tracking</li> <li>• Orientation and media usage</li> <li>• Brand performance scans</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Purchase channels</li> <li>• TBD</li> </ul>

# We are active globally



# Principals of USP

Construction				DIY		Installation	
ASSA ABLOY	AkzoNobel	Wienerberger	HILTI	OBI	adeo	ABB	BOSCH
ArcelorMittal	DAW	3M	SAINT-GOBAIN	ALLEGION	maxeda DIY Group	GRUNDFOS	hager
etex inspiring ways of living	FESTOOL	Villeroy & Boch 1748	DSM	3V3	ideal STANDARD	Schneider Electric	LG Life's Good
icopal	Interface®	WD-40	Dulux	BRIGGS & STRATTON	KOHLER	MITSUBISHI ELECTRIC	Panasonic
KNAUF	OWENS CORNING	UNILIN FOR SMART LIVING	PPG	fischer innovative solutions	K'ARCHER	VIESSMANN	Vaillant
ROCKWOOL	sto Building with conscience.	VELUX®	stiho	WAGNER	GROHE	signify	ShurTech Brands
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