

Seizing Uncertainty

Complementary Datasheet



Purpose:

This document provides complementary data from the research underpinning HSBC's **Seizing Uncertainty** study.

Uncertainty:

Statement	International – General Population	International – Business Leaders
It is harder to plan for the future than it used to be	68% agree	61% agree
Uncertainty keeps me from living a full life	31% agree	36% agree
The smallest doubt can stop me from acting	29% agree	34% agree
When it is time to act, uncertainty paralyses me	26% agree	32% agree
I have experienced increased feelings of stress and anxiety in the last 5 years	48% agree	N/A
I have experienced increased feelings of distance/detachment from others in the last 5 years	36% agree	N/A
I expect to feel distance/detachment from others in the next 5 years	52% agree	N/A

Decision-Making:

Statement	International – General Population	International – Business Leaders
Making decisions makes me feel uncomfortable, so I tend to put off thinking about them for as long as possible	33% agree	42% agree
I wish I felt more able to tackle decisions head on	63% agree	67% agree
I wish I had more people around me I could rely on for support when I am making decisions	57% agree	64% agree
I sometimes feel ill-equipped to manage the decisions I have to make	53% agree	56% agree
If I make a decision on my own, it will usually turn out to be a poor one	33% agree	45% agree
When making important decisions I usually consult people who I trust to support me in making the right decision	66% agree	73% agree
I wish I had better access to information and resources to help inform my decision making	64% agree	70% agree

Regret:

Statement	International – General Population	International – Business Leaders
I often feel regret at not taking opportunities when they have passed me by	50% agree	49% agree
I feel confident making decisions with others about important life decisions	79% agree	86% agree
I often regret the decisions I make	37% agree	44% agree
Low confidence has stopped me from making the most of opportunities available to me	35% agree	28% agree