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2021 Millennial and Gen Z Survey

A call for accountability and action | Mexico

## Methodology and global key messages

### Our methodology:

The 10th annual Millennial Survey solicited the views of 14.6K millennials and 8.2K Gen Zs (22,928 respondents total) from 45 countries around the world.

For the first time, we surveyed Gen Zs in all countries where we conducted fieldwork, including in 25 geographies where we had previously only surveyed millennials. As a result, year-over-year comparisons for Gen Zs are not yet always possible.

Fieldwork was completed between 8 January and 18 February 2021.

Millennials included in the study were born between January 1983 and December 1994. Gen Z respondents were born between January 1995 and December 2003.

### **Key findings:**

Millennials and Gen Zs believe the world is at a tipping point on environmental issues, inequality, and racism. They are holding themselves and institutions accountable in order to bring about a more sustainable and equitable world. This year's survey unearths the following global insights:



The environment remains a top concern. During the pandemic, health care and unemployment topped millennials' list of concerns. But environment remained a priority (#3 for millennials and #1 for Gen Zs). ~40% believe that more people will commit to take action on environmental issues after the pandemic. But 60% fear business' commitment to helping combat climate change will be less of a priority as business leaders reckon with challenges brought on by the pandemic.



Two-thirds of millennials (69%) and Gen Zs (66%) think wealth and income is unequally distributed. Many believe government intervention will be needed to drive change. Nearly a third have supported politicians who want to reduce income inequality. Roughly 60% said legislation to limit the pay gap between senior executives and employees would significantly help, as would requiring a livable wage. And more than half of respondents said universal basic income would help.



Millennials and Gen Zs believe discrimination is widespread, likely enabled by systemic racism. One in five respondents feel personally discriminated against "all the time" or frequently because of an aspect of their backgrounds. Six in 10 Gen Zs and 56% of millennials said systemic racism is widespread in general society. They believe Individuals and activists are doing the most to reduce systemic racism, while the education system, legal system, government and business falls short of their potential to drive change.



High stress levels are driven by concerns about finances, family welfare, and job prospects. Almost half of Gen Zs and four in 10 millennials said they feel stressed all or most of the time. About two-thirds of respondents agreed that they often worry about their personal financial situations. Their families' welfare was also a main cause of stress for millennials. Uncertainty about jobs/career prospects was top for Gen Zs.



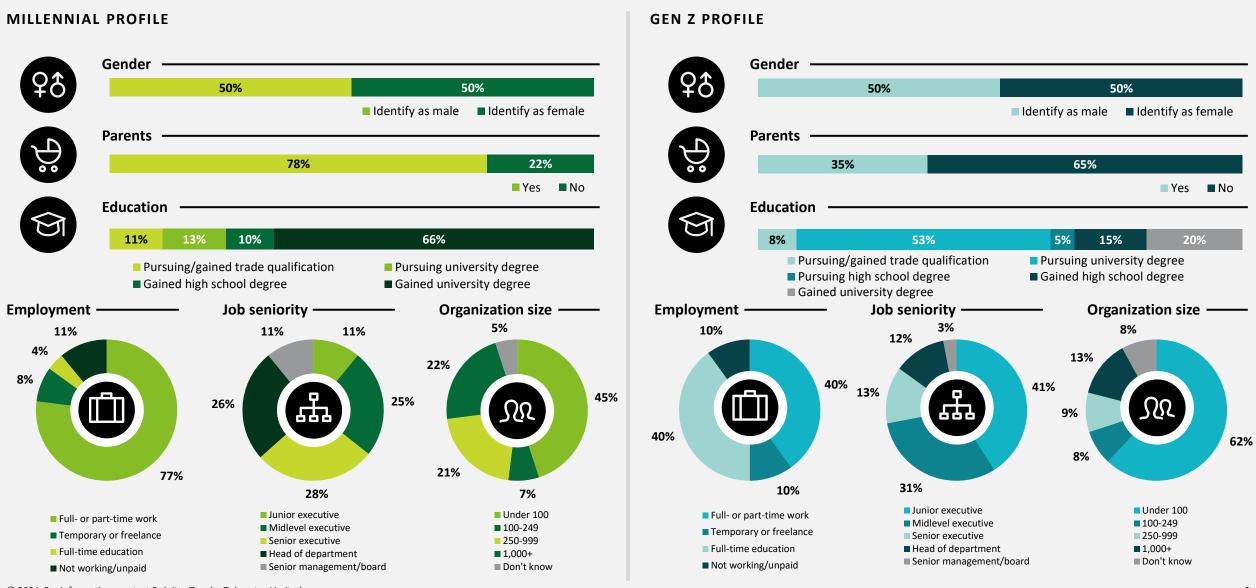
Stress and anxiety are prevalent in the workplace, and employers' efforts to support mental health are seen as inadequate. About a third of respondents (millennials 31%, Gen Zs 35%) said they've taken time off work due to stress caused by the pandemic. Yet about 40% have not felt comfortable disclosing the reason for their absence to their employer. Approximately 40% of millennials and Gen Zs feel their employers have done a poor job of supporting their mental well-being during the pandemic.



Views on business' social impact continues to decline; job loyalty slips. Continuing a steady decline over the last five years, less than half of millennials (47%) and Gen Zs (48%) think business is having a positive impact on society. This marks the first time these levels have fallen below 50% since this survey began in 2012. 62% of millennials agreed that businesses "have no ambition beyond wanting to make money." However, that figure is down slightly (four percentage points) from 2020. Job loyalty slipped from its 2020 peak. More millennials and Gen Zs would like to leave their employer within two years than last year—36% and 53% respectively, compared to 31% and 50% in 2020.

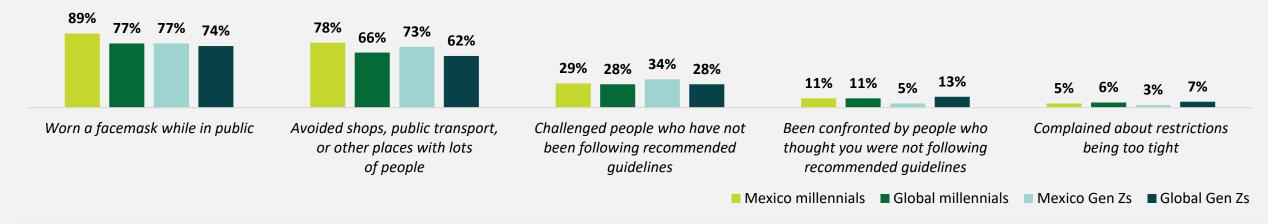
The following deck examines how Mexico's millennials and Gen Zs stand out from their global counterparts on these key themes.

## Country profile: Mexico

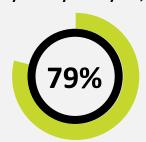


## The pandemic: Adherence to COVID-19 guidelines

### Which of the following, if any, have you done regularly during the COVID-19 pandemic?



### In your day-to-day life, how seriously do you follow your government's public health guidelines around the COVID-19 pandemic?\*



of millennials in Mexico said that they had "very" or "fairly" seriously followed their government's public health guidelines around the COVID-19 pandemic





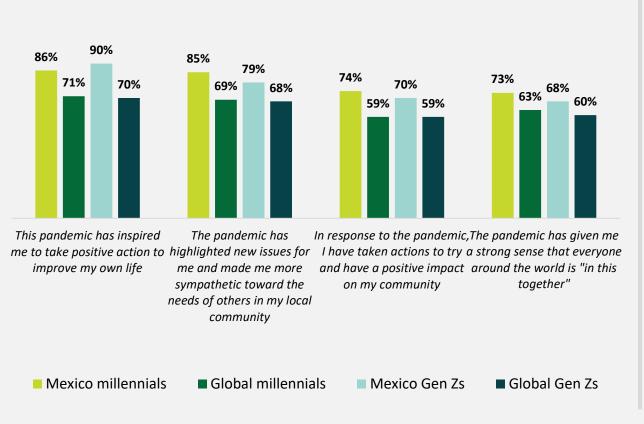
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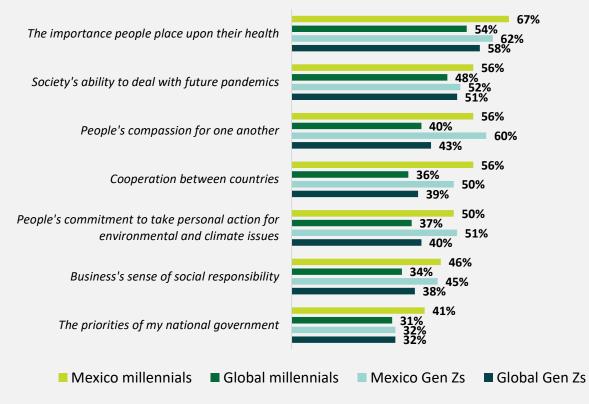
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## The pandemic: Reflecting on society and the future

### Percent of respondents who strongly agree/tend to agree with the following statements:

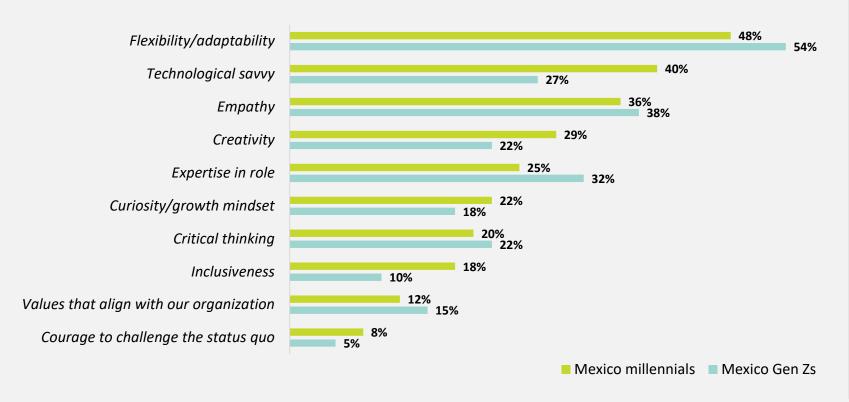


## Percent of respondents who think the following will have changed for the better when the pandemic is finally over:

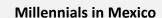


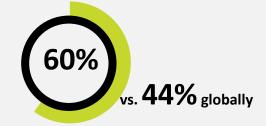
## The future of work: Flexibility is key, but ethics are unbending

### Employee characteristics most critical to success of organization\*:

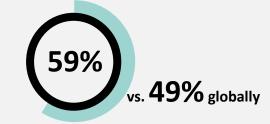


Those who have made choices over the types of work they'd do and the organizations they're willing to work for based on their personal beliefs/ethics over the past two years:





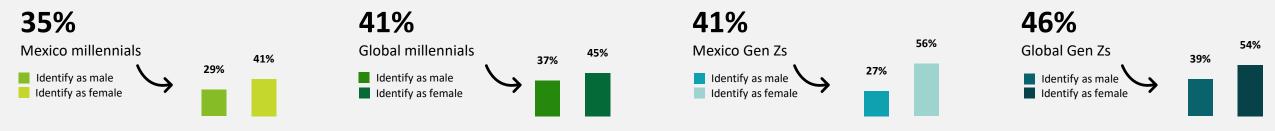
### Gen Zs in Mexico



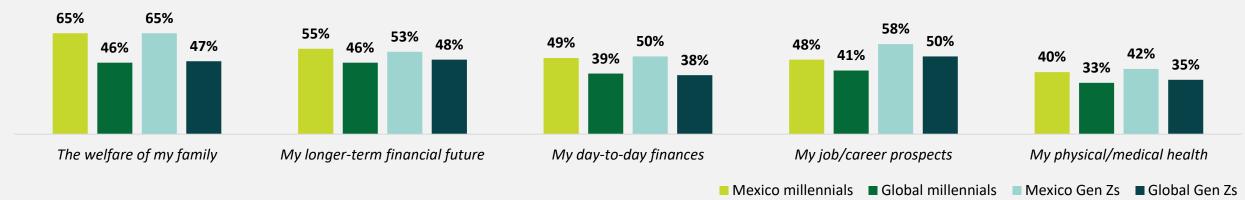
\*Asked only of those in full-time, part-time or temporary employment

## Mental health: Levels and sources of stress

### Percent of respondents who say they feel anxious or stressed all or most of the time:



Percent of respondents who say the following contribute a lot to their feelings of anxiety or stress\*:



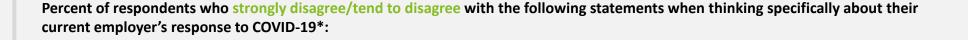
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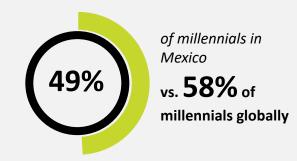
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## Mental health: Stress in the workplace

Percent of respondents who say they HAVE NOT spoken openly to their employers about feeling more stressed/anxious since the pandemic started\*:





<sup>39%</sup> 38% 37% 36% 35% 32% 31% 28% My employer has taken actions to support my mental well-being My employer is actively making plans and preparing policies to during this time support employees with their post-pandemic mental/physical health ■ Global millennials Mexico millennials Mexico Gen Zs ■ Global Gen Zs

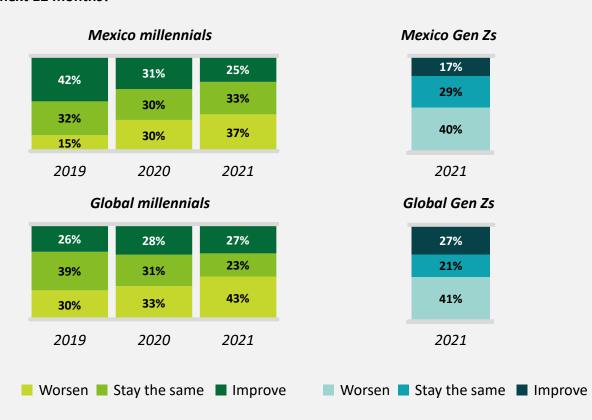
N.B. Data for this question not reported among Gen Zs due to low base sizes at country level.

<sup>\*</sup>Asked only of those who report being more stressed from the pandemic and in full-time, part-time or temporary employment

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## Economic and political outlook

How do you expect the overall economic situation in your country will change over the next 12 months?



How do you expect the overall sociopolitical situation in your country will change over the next 12 months?\*

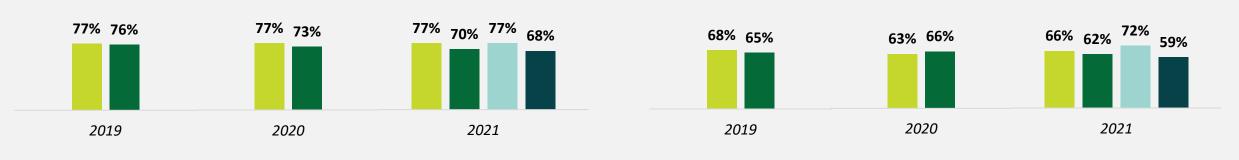


## View of business

### Percent of respondents who think business has a very or fairly positive impact on society:



### Percent of respondents who strongly agree or tend to agree that, on balance, the following describe business' current behavior:



It focuses on its own agenda rather than considering the wider society

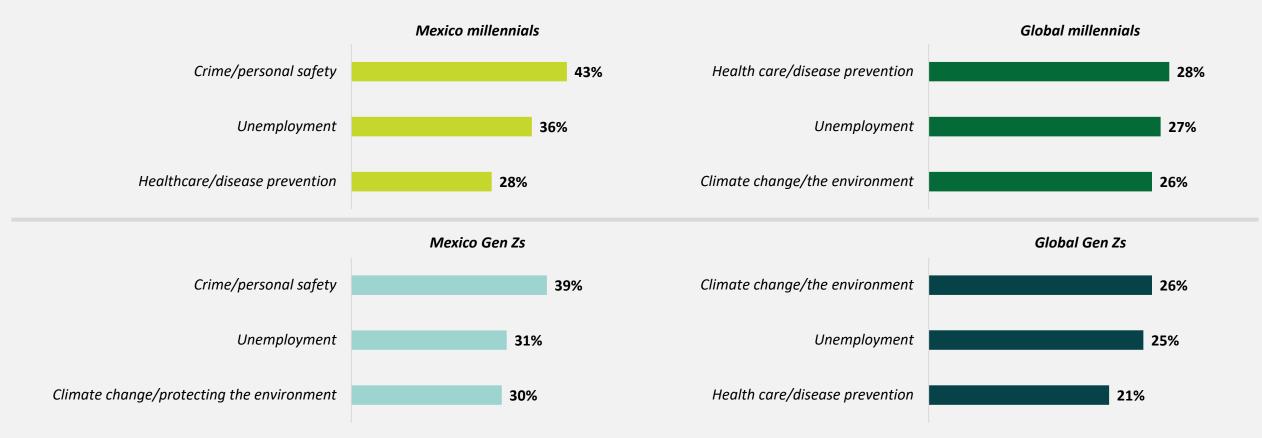
■ Mexico Gen Zs

It has no ambition beyond wanting to make money

■ Mexico millennials ■ Global millennials

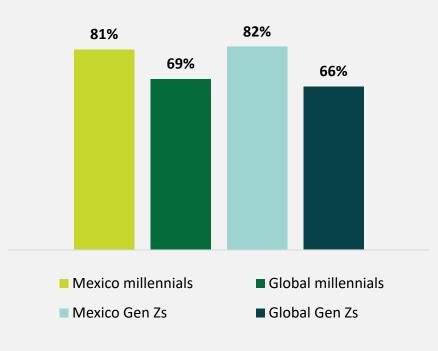
## Concerns: World challenges

### Top three issues of greatest concern:

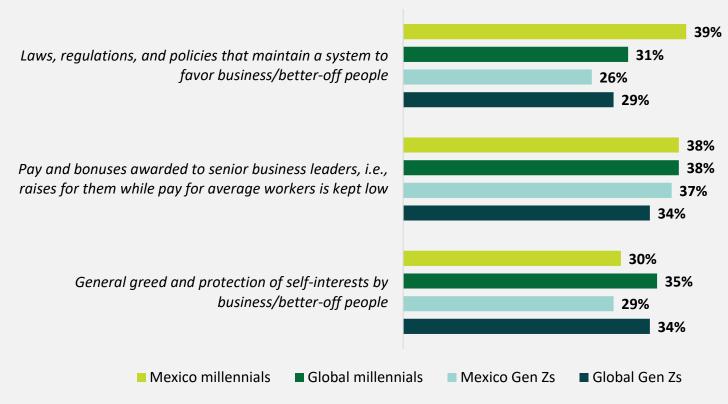


## Concerns: Wealth and income inequality

Percent of respondents who believe wealth is not very equally/not at all equally distributed among the people in your country:



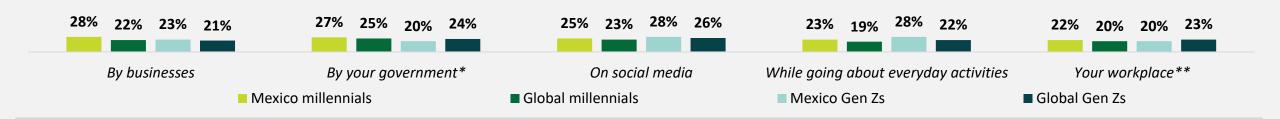
## Which are the top factors behind income inequality? Global top three



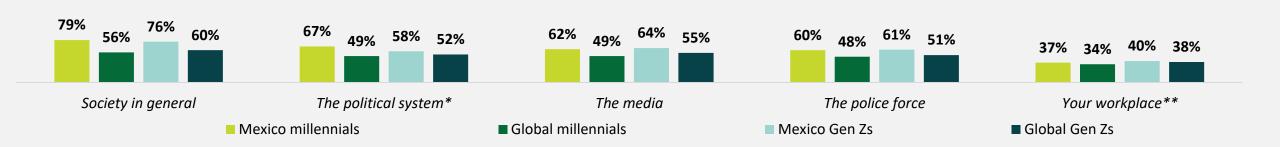
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### **Concerns: Discrimination**

Percent of respondents who feel personally discriminated against all the time or frequently because of an aspect of their backgrounds:



Percent of respondents who believe systemic racism is very or fairly widespread within the following institutions:

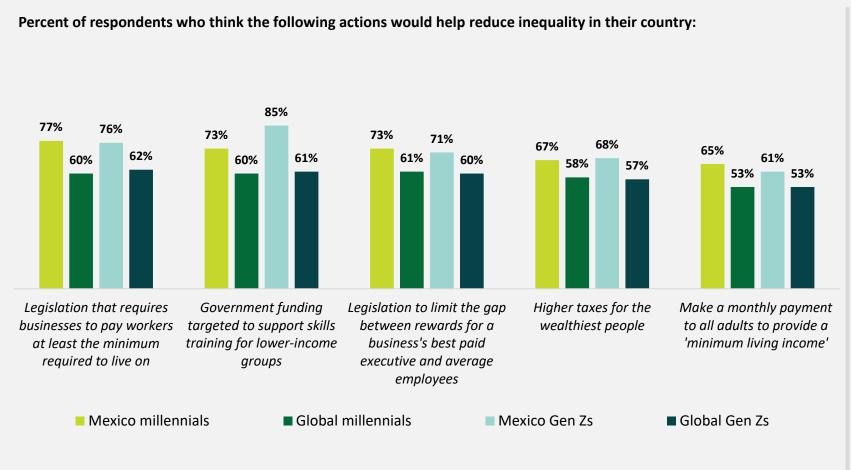


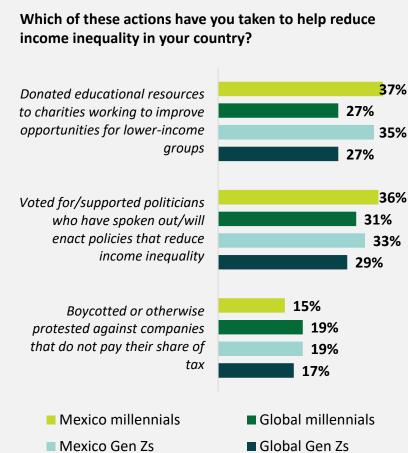
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## Time to act: Wealth and income inequality

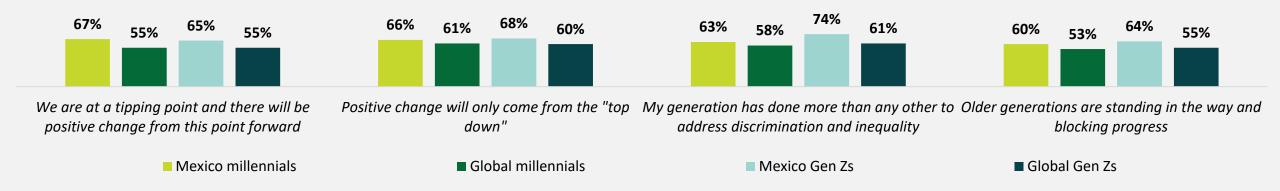




#### **2021 MILLENNIAL SURVEY**

### Time to act: Discrimination

### Percent of respondents who strongly agree/tend to agree with the following statements with respect to discrimination:



### What actions have you taken to try to tackle discrimination?





of millennials in Mexico said that they educated themselves on diversity and inclusion matters

vs. 24% globally





of millennials in Mexico said that they boycotted a company because of its views or behaviors

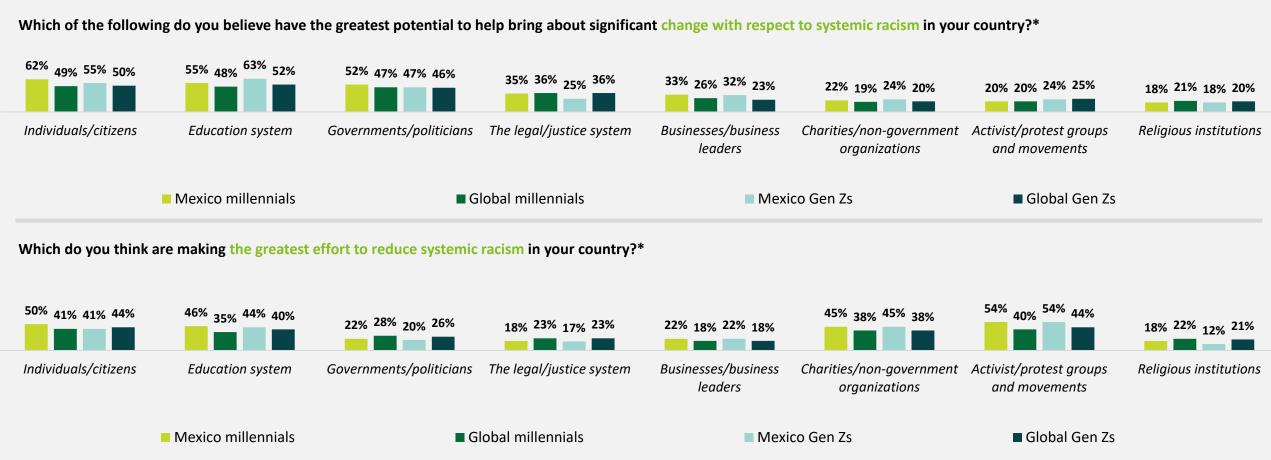
vs. 15% globally



of Gen Zs agreed vs. 14% globally

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## Time to act: Who is making a difference when it comes to fighting systemic racism?

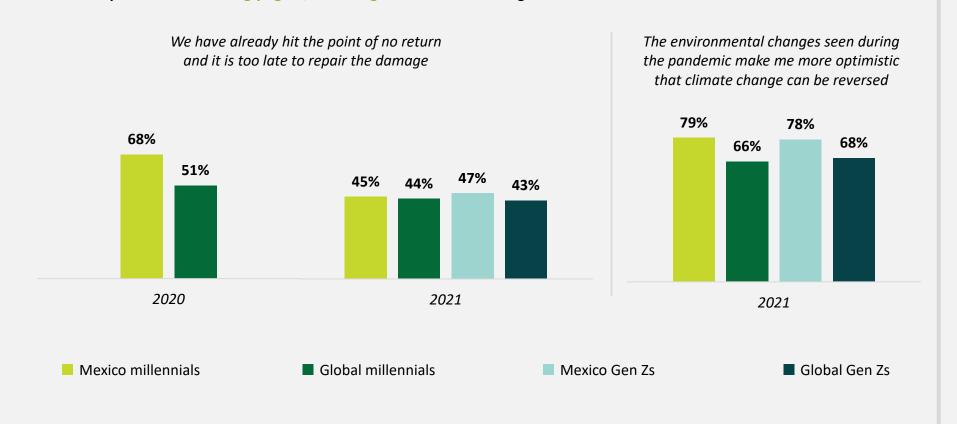


<sup>\*</sup>Up to three options selected at both questions.
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### Time to act: The environment

### Percent of respondents who strongly agree/tend to agree with the following statements related to the environment:

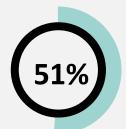


Those who believe people's commitment to take personal action for environmental and climate issues will have improved after the pandemic:





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### Millz Mood Index

The Millz Mood Index gauges the mood of respondents and provides an annual snapshot of millennials' optimism that the world and their places in it will improve.

Scores are based on results from the following five questions and are aggregated to create a measure between zero and a hundred. This scale gives us the ability to compare not only year-to-year movement, but also regional and demographic groups within a given year.

Impact of business on wider Personal financial situation **Economic situation** Sociopolitical situation **Environment** society 50 0 **100** Nothing positive at all Half think we're making progress Everything is worse **MILLENNIALS:** Millennials Identify as male: **Identify** as female: Millennials in Identify as female: Identify as male: globally: Mexico: 31 **↓** -3 pts. **GEN ZS:** Gen Zs Identify as female: Identify as male: Gen Zs in Identify as male: Identify as female: globally: Mexico: 28

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