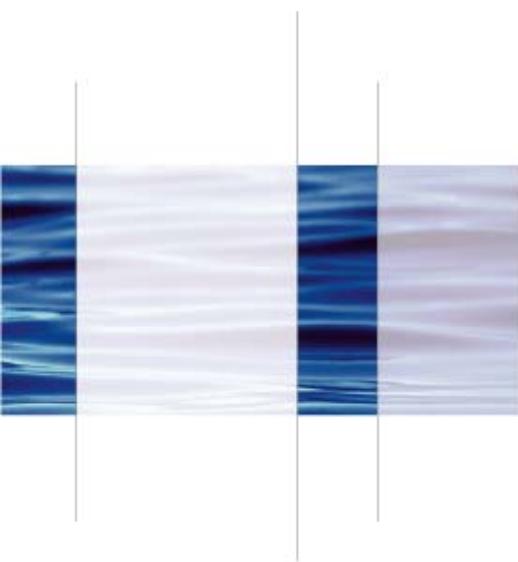




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DIRK Trend Indicator, Autumn 2012

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Survey details



- Half-yearly survey of IR professionals (DIRK members)
- Internet-based written survey from 06.09.2012 to 21.09.2012
- Basis: 324 DIRK members (1-2012: 309)
- Responses: 97= 30% (1-2012: 28%)
- Broken down by indices, the responses came from:
 - 10 DAX companies (= 33% of all DAX-listed companies)
 - 23 MDAX companies (= 46% of all MDAX-listed companies)
 - 10 TecDAX companies (= 33% of all TecDAX-listed companies)
 - 13 SDAX companies (= 26% of all SDAX-listed companies)
 - 41 companies that are not part of a selection index
- 55% of all the companies to have responded belong to the Prime Standard segment

Survey details



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- Half-yearly survey of IR professionals (CIRA members)
- Internet-based written survey from 06.09.2012 to 21.09.2012
- Basis: 62 CIRA members
- Responses: 21 = 34% (1-2012: 26%)



IR club

- Half-yearly survey of IR professionals (IR Club members)
- Internet-based written survey from 06.09.2012 to 21.09.2012
- Basis: 61 SIRV members
- Responses: 19 = 31% (1-2012: 32 %)

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Questionnaire



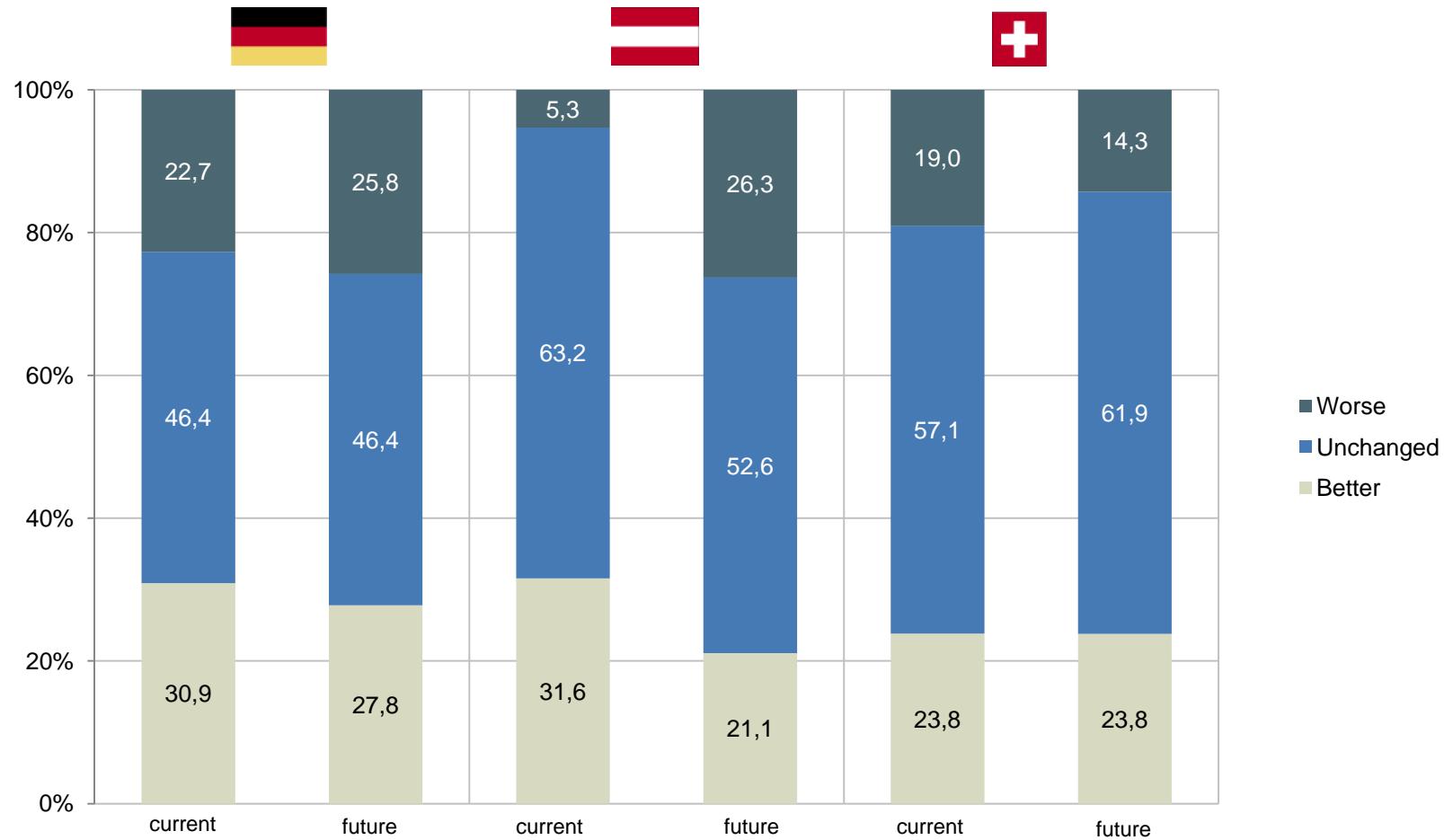
1. How is the situation in your company compared to 6 months ago? (better – the same – worse)
2. What are your expectations regarding the development of the economic situation of your company in the next 6 months?
(better – the same – worse)
3. In the next 6 months the number of employees in the area of Investor Relations will increase - stay the same – decrease
4. In the next 6 months the number of investor meetings will increase - stay the same – decrease
5. In the next 6 months the number of sell-side analysts covering you will increase - stay the same - decrease

The companies' economic assessment is cautious

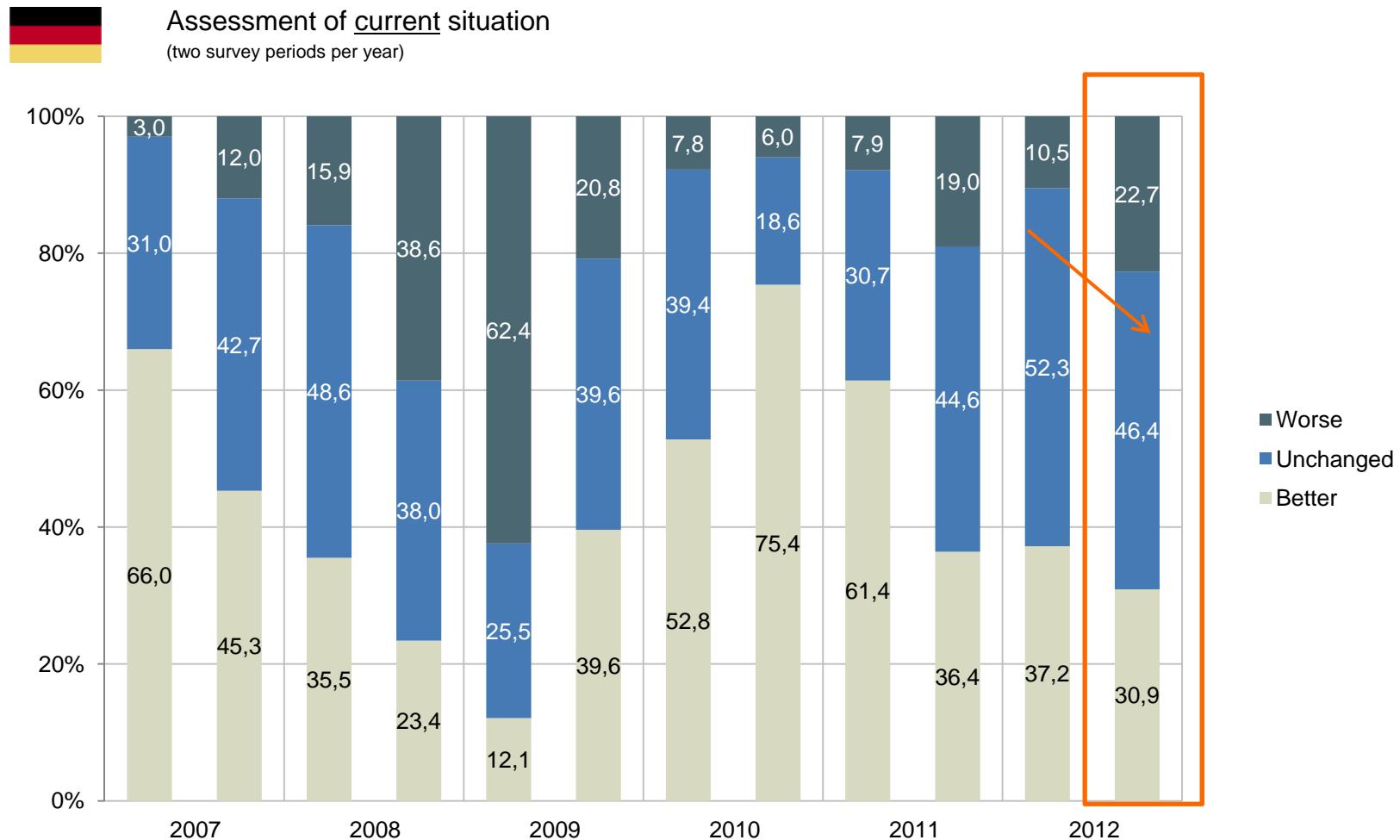


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By country – left-hand bar: assessment of current situation; right-hand bar: assessment of future situation



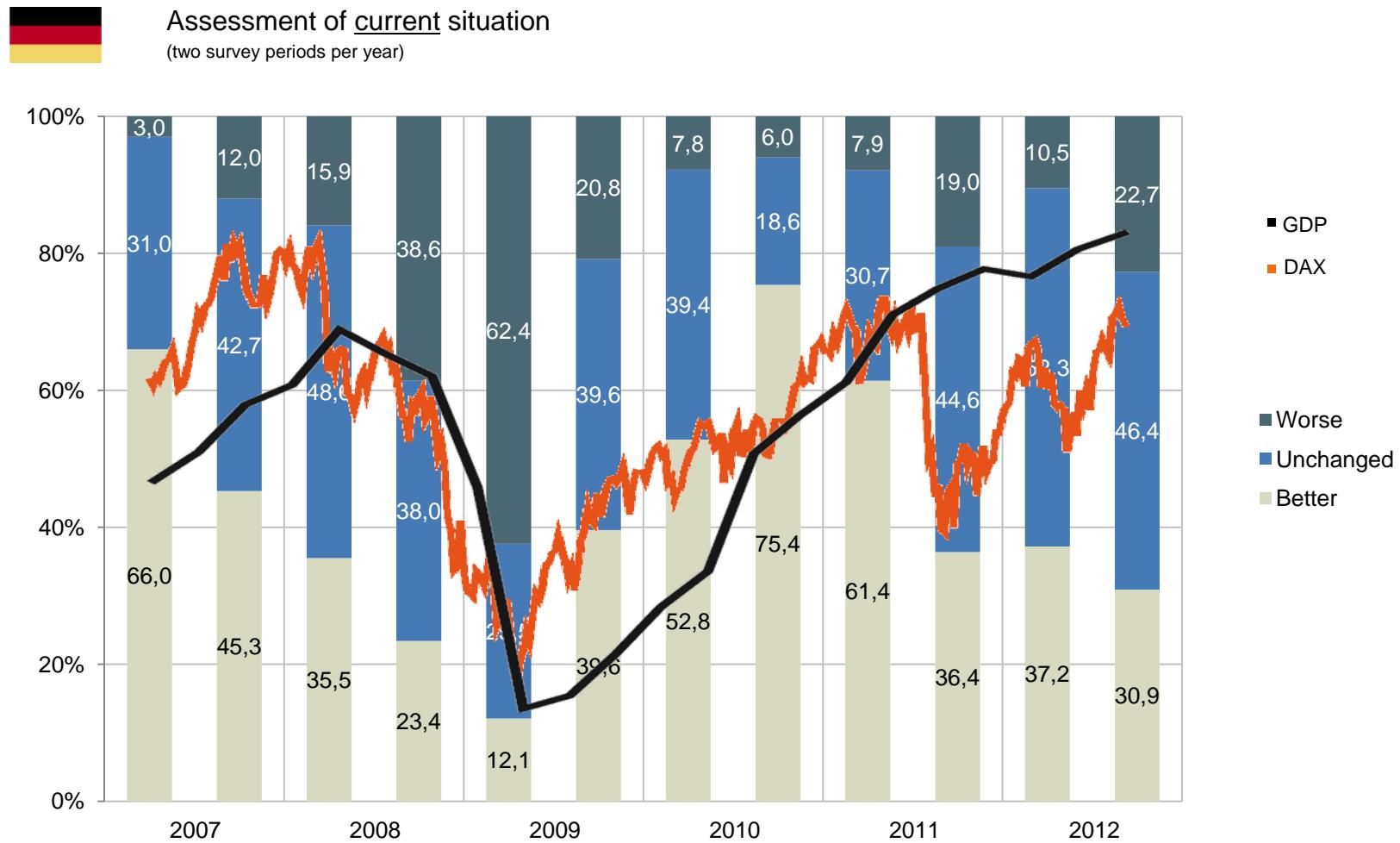
Assessment of current situation of companies in Germany from year to year



Assessment of current situation vs. DAX performance and GDP



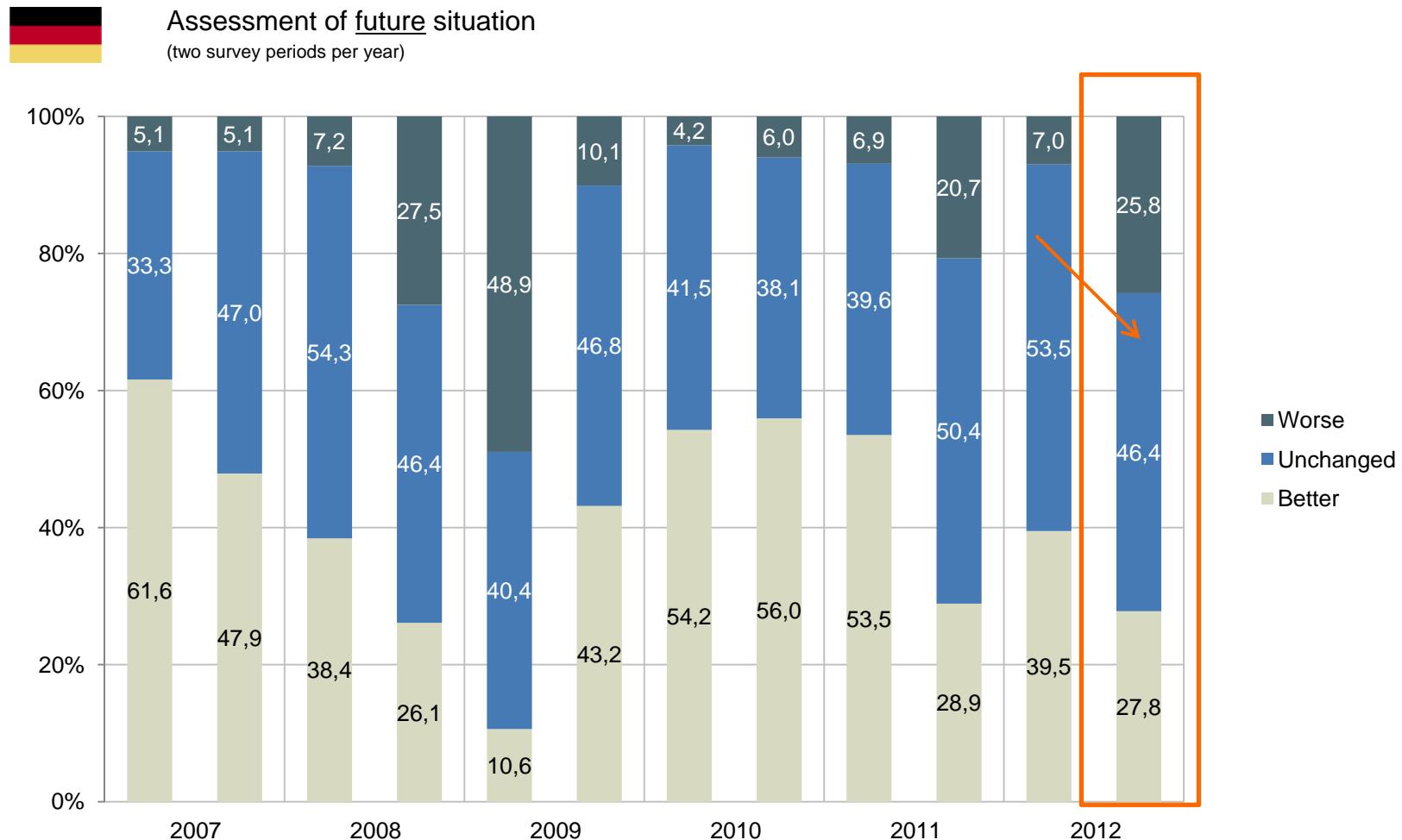
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Assessment of future situation of companies in Germany from year to year



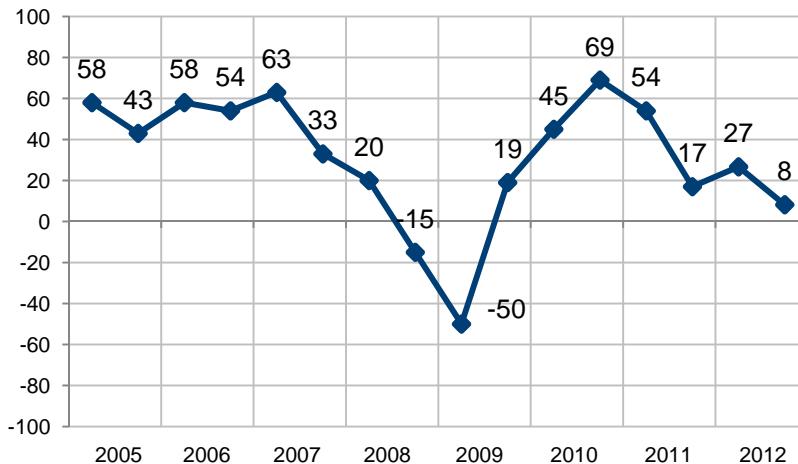
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Economic assessment shows sharp decline for the future

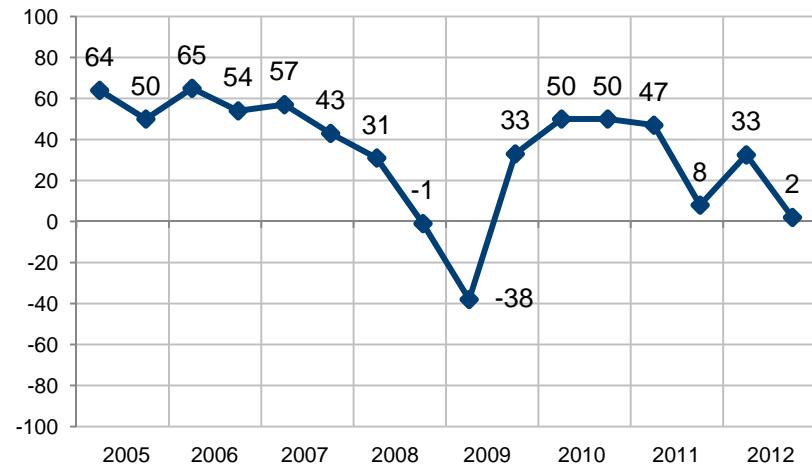


Assessment of current prospect
(two survey periods per year)



The indicator currently stands at 8 points in Germany, which represents a decrease of 19 points.

Assessment of future prospects
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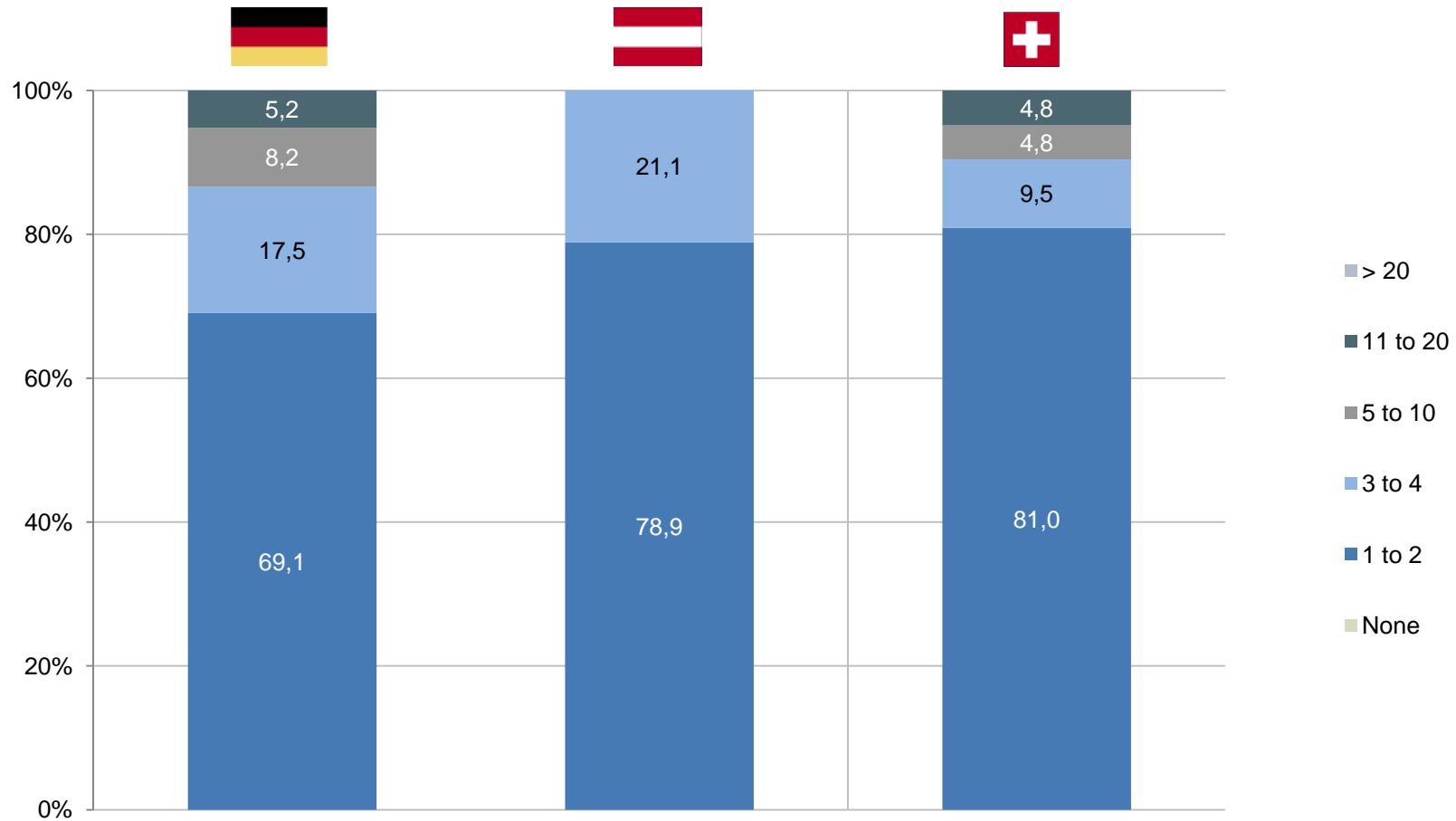


The future indicator stands at 2 points in Germany: In autumn 2012 it decreased from 33 to 2 points. Although still in the positive this represents a sharp decline of 31 points.

Current number of IR employees (full-time)



By country

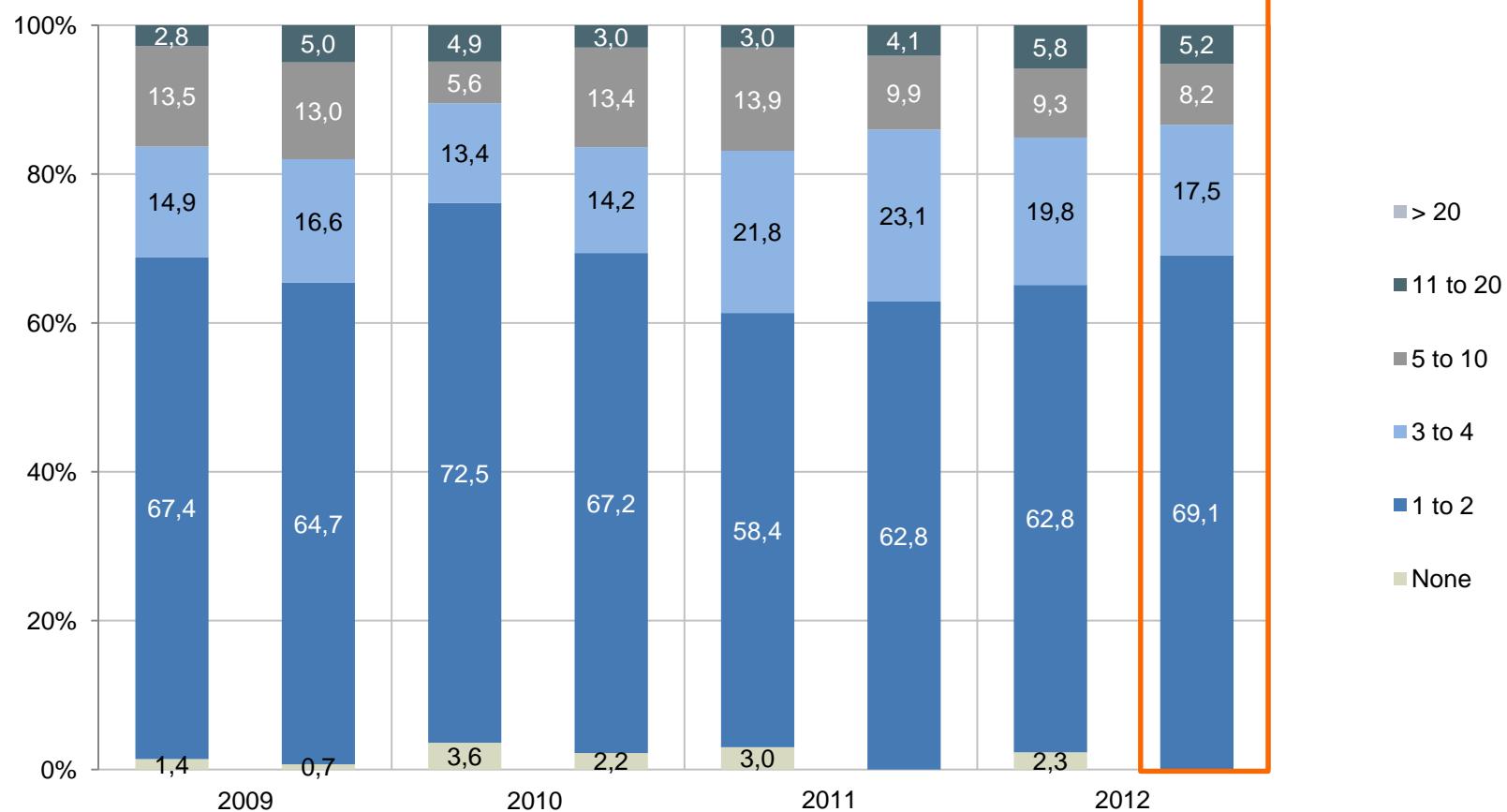


Number of full-time IR employees remains unchanged



Comparison of surveys from 2009 to 2012

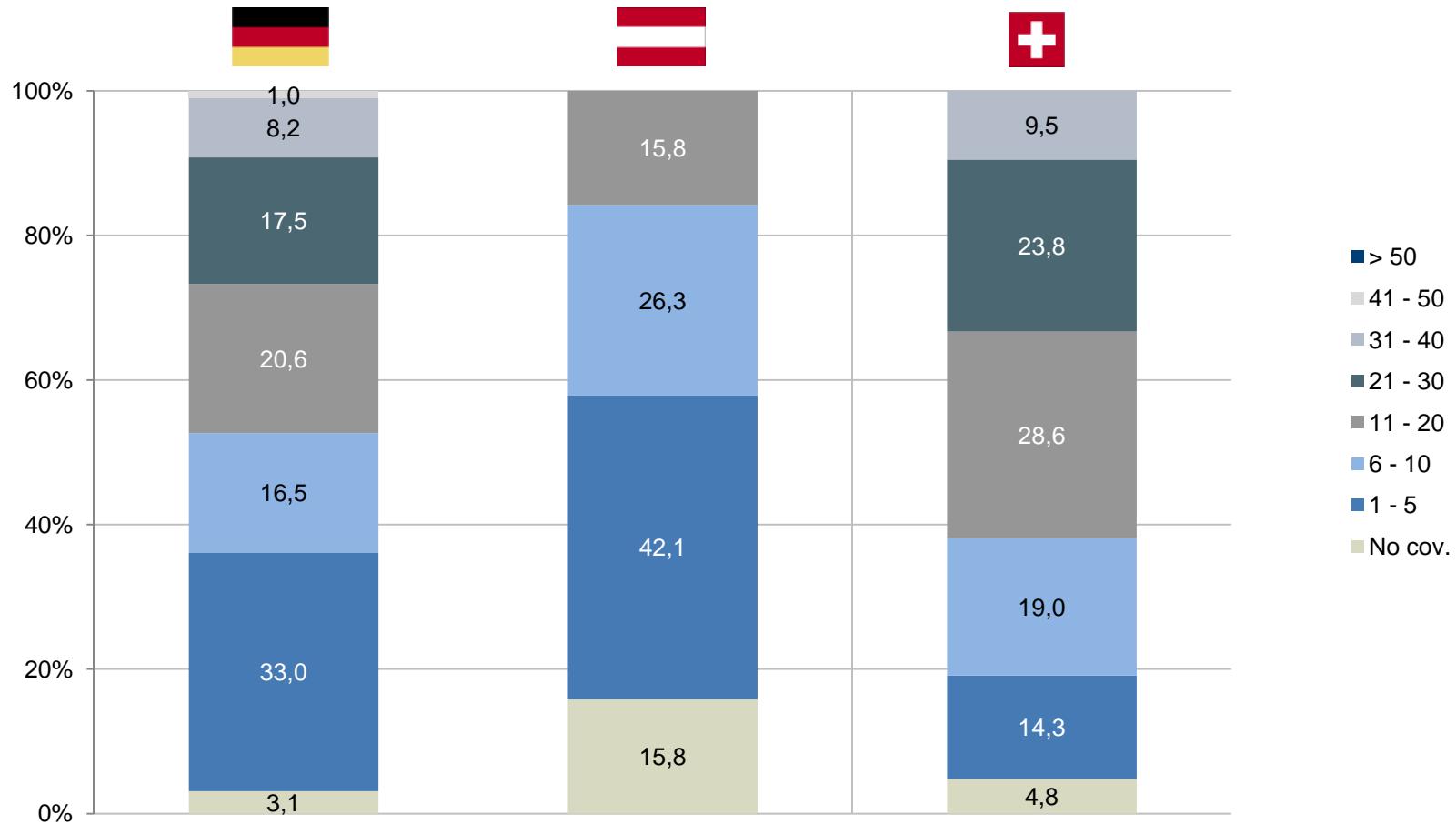
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Current sell-side analyst coverage



By country

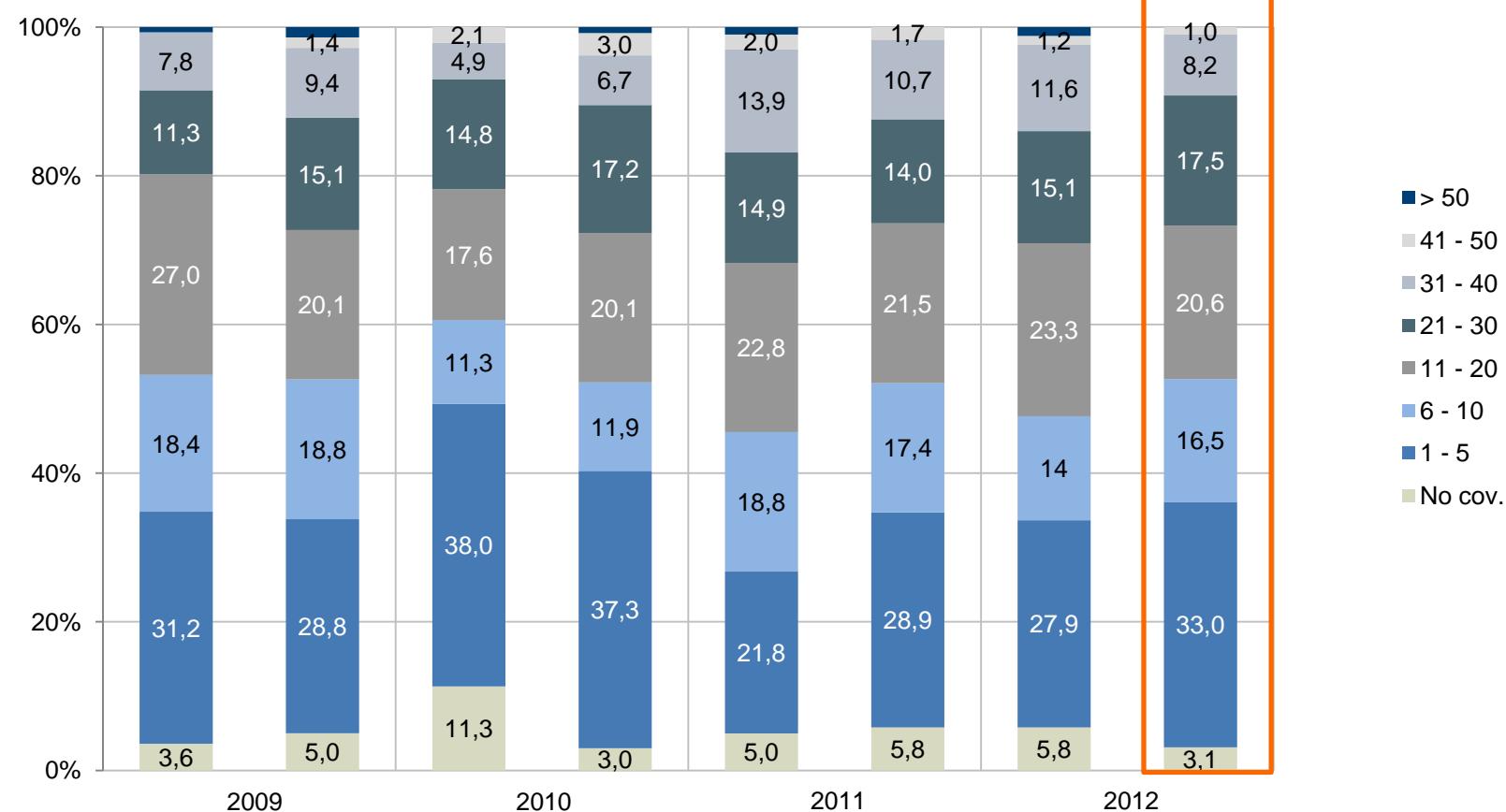


Current sell-side analyst coverage in Germany



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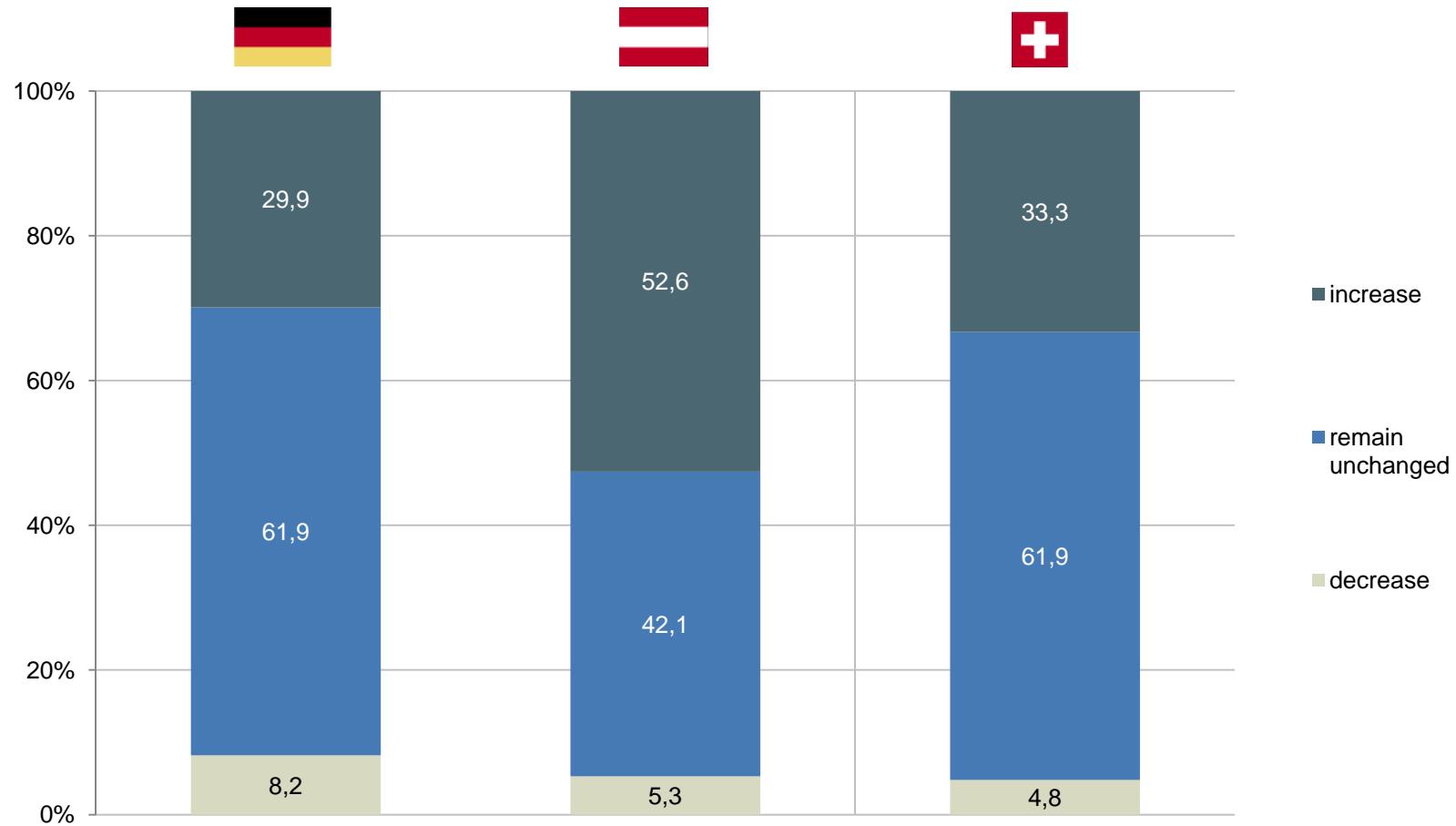


Number of 1-1's in Austria suspected to increase



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By country



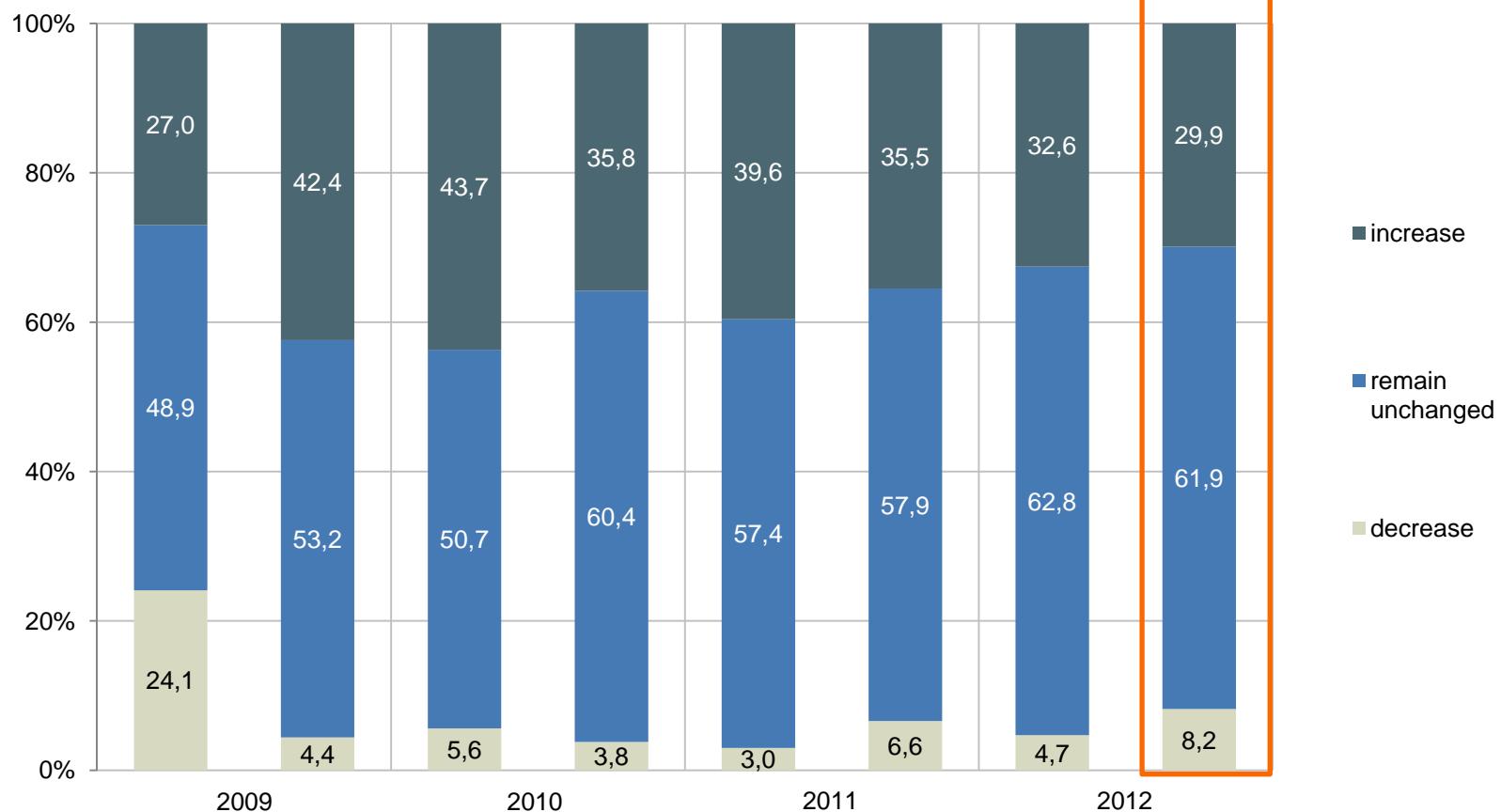
Number of 1-1's in Germany remain stable



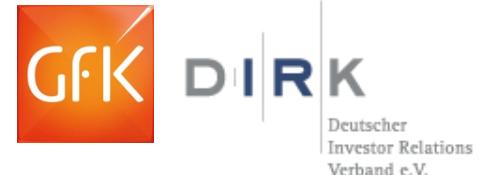
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