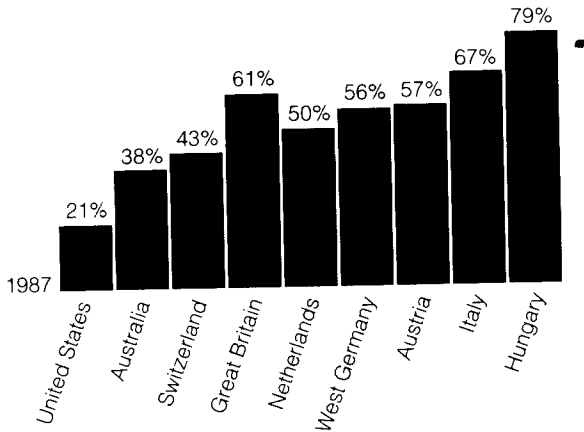


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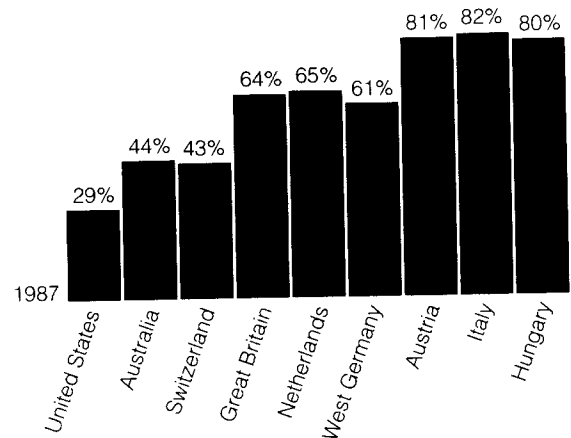
Question: Please show how much you agree or disagree with each statement. ...

Agree strongly/agree the government should provide everyone with a guaranteed basic income



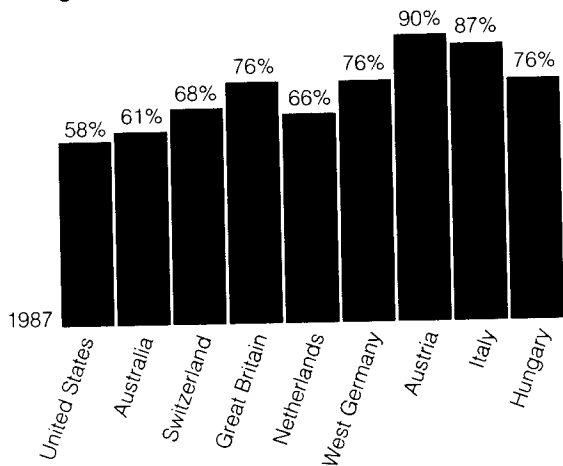
Question: Please show how much you agree or disagree with each statement. ...

Agree strongly/agree it is the responsibility of the government to reduce the differences in income between people with high incomes and those with low incomes



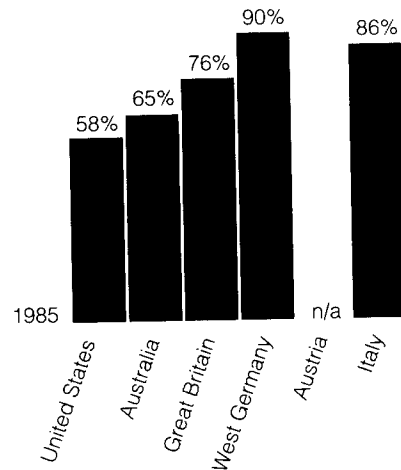
Question: Please show how much you agree or disagree with each statement. ...

Agree strongly/agree differences in income in (name of country) are too large



Question: Some people think those with high incomes should pay a larger proportion (percentage) of their earnings in taxes than those who earn low incomes. Other people think that those with high incomes and those with low incomes should pay the same proportion (percentage) of their earnings in taxes. Do you think that those with high incomes should ...

Those with high incomes should pay a much larger/larger proportion of their earnings in taxes

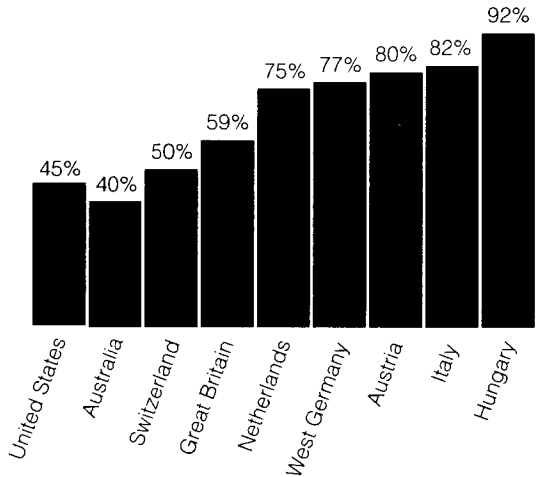


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Is the United States "exceptional"? The data in the next seven pages show that in many areas this country remains significantly different from other countries in social and political values.

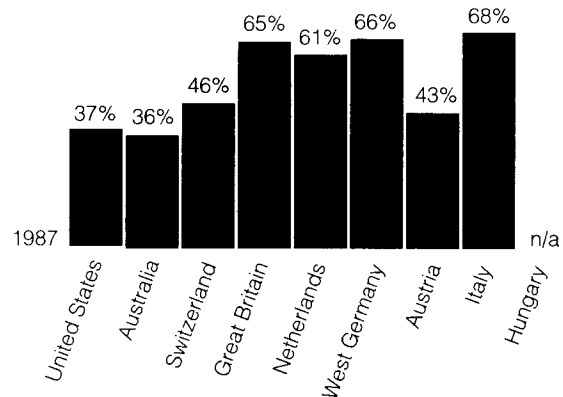
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Agree strongly/agree the government should provide a job for everyone who wants one



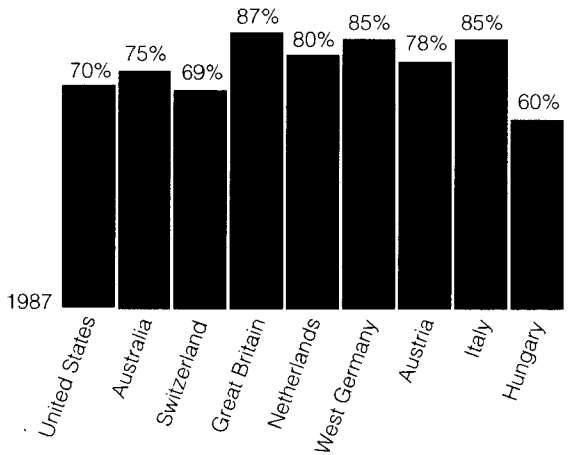
Question: Please show how much you agree or disagree with each statement. ...

Agree strongly/agree the government should provide a decent standard of living for the unemployed



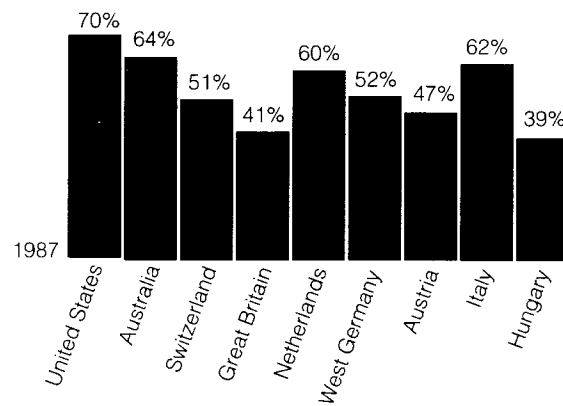
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For those with low incomes, taxes are much too high/too high



Question: For those with middle incomes, taxes are ...

For those with middle incomes, taxes are much too high/too high

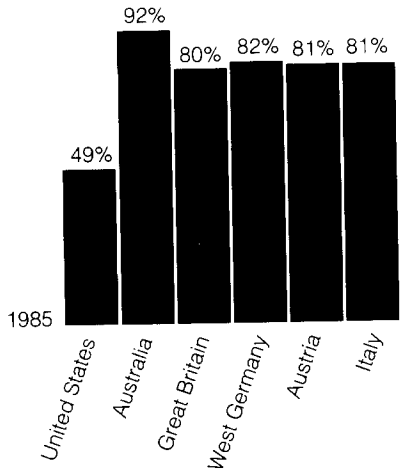


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One of the fundamental differences between the United States and many other countries is the way we view the role of government. Ours has been described as an "opportunity" society where people get ahead by their own efforts. Other countries are "security" societies where the government is protector and benefactor.

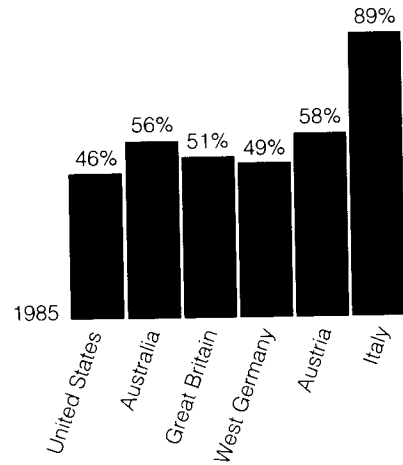
Question: Do you think that the wearing of seat belts in cars should be required by law?

Agree strongly/agree that the wearing of seat belts should be required by law



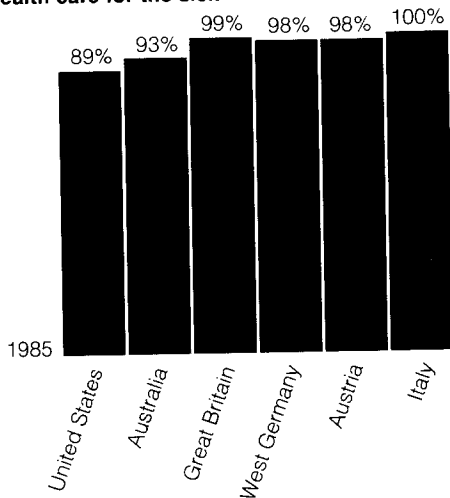
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Agree strongly/agree that smoking in public places should be prohibited



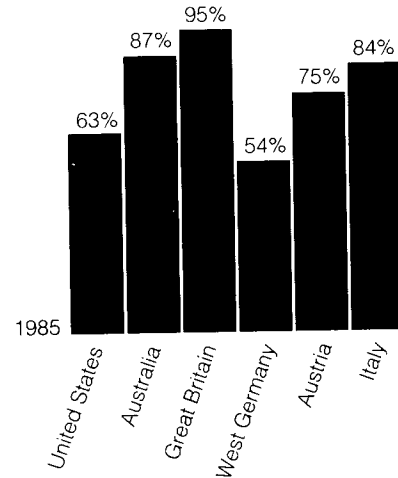
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Definitely/probably should be the government's responsibility to provide health care for the sick



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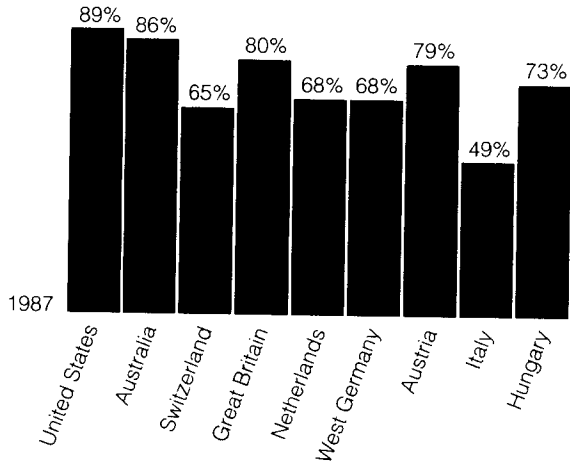
Definitely/probably should be the government's responsibility to provide industry with the help it needs to grow



Americans are less likely to favor smoking bans or laws requiring seat belts—once again an indication of our preference for letting individuals make the decisions. All countries favor helping people when they can't help themselves in areas like health care.

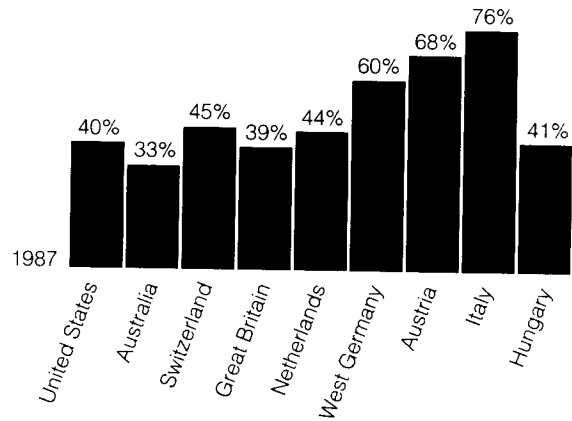
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Ambition essential/very important for getting ahead in life



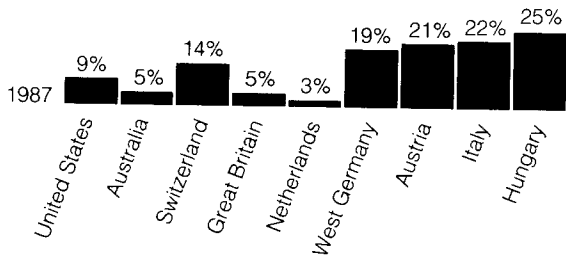
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Knowing the right people essential/very important for getting ahead in life



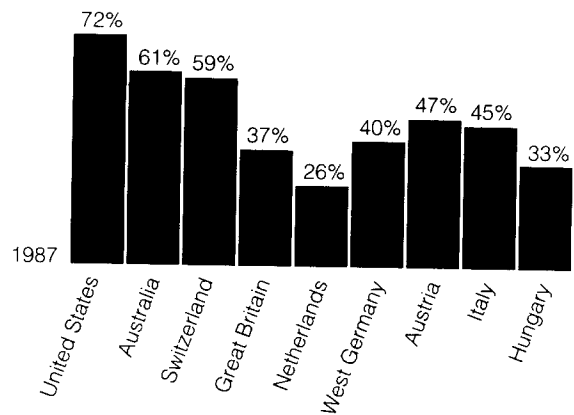
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A person's political beliefs essential/very important for getting ahead in life



Question: Please tick a box to show how much you agree or disagree with the following statement

Strongly agree/agree the way things are in (name of country), people like me and my family have a good chance of improving our standard of living



Americans believe strongly in the possibility of mobility and in "what you know" rather than "who you know" as the way to realize it.