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# ***Two-way perspective from French and Germans about the China and Tibet situation***

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The logo for ifop, consisting of the lowercase letters 'i', 'f', 'o', and 'p' in a stylized, red, handwritten font. The 'i' and 'f' are connected at the top, and the 'o' and 'p' are connected at the bottom.

Connection creates value

The logo for the International Campaign for Tibet. It features the text 'INTERNATIONAL CAMPAIGN FOR TIBET' in a bold, black, sans-serif font. A stylized orange flame or leaf symbol is positioned above the word 'CAMPAIGN'.

Ifop study for:



Sample

- Sample of **1000 people**, representing people in France aged 18 and over.
  
- Sample of **1003 people**, representing people in Germany aged 18 and over.

Quotas were used to ensure that the samples used were properly representative (sex, age, occupation of the interviewee) after stratification by GEOGRAPHICAL AREA and town size (France), by Länder (Germany).

Data collection method:

The interviews were conducted using self-administered on-line questionnaires (CAWI - Computer Assisted Web Interviewing).

Survey dates

**France** : March 10th – March 13th 2014

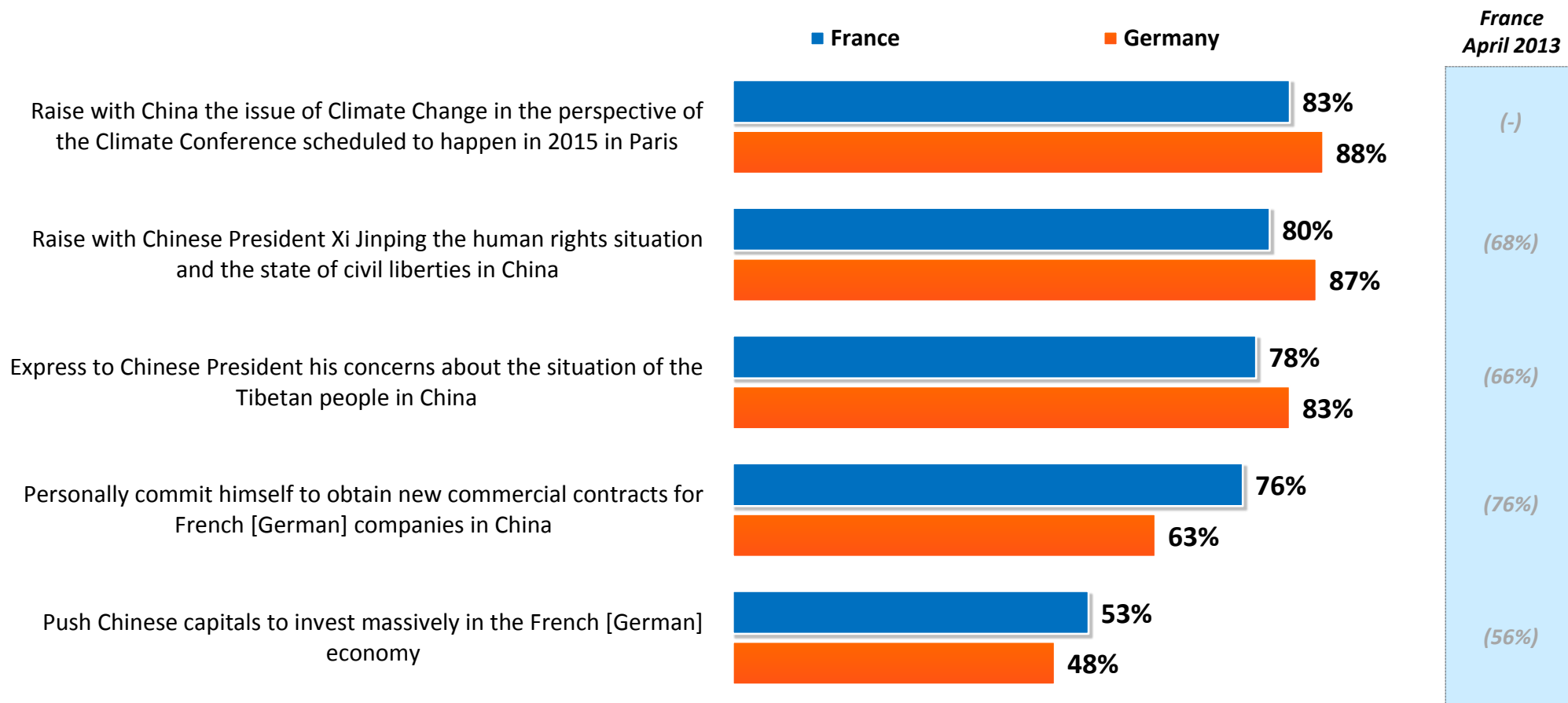
**Germany** : March 10th – March 14th 2014

The International Campaign for Tibet was established on March 15, 1988 to support the Tibetan people's struggle for human rights and democratic freedoms. From a handful of dedicated individuals, ICT has grown into an international organization empowered by the vision of His Holiness the Dalai Lama. ICT works internationally with governments, parliaments, journalists, and other NGOs to leverage global influence to improve the situation of Tibetans. In the effort to achieve its goals ICT faces a formidable opponent in the Government of China and its exponentially greater resources it uses to attempt to shape the narrative on the Tibet issue. ICT, a 501(c)(3) organization, maintains offices in Washington, DC, Amsterdam, Berlin, Brussels, and a field team in Dharamsala, India. ICT, which is member of FIDH, has a partnership agreement with the Australian Tibet Council. More information at [www.savetibet.org](http://www.savetibet.org)

# **A** | *French, Germans and XI Jinping's official visit*

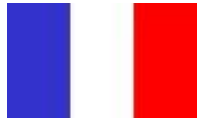
**Question :** Chinese President Xi Jinping will soon arrive in France [Germany] to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the establishment of bilateral diplomatic relations and will meet with President François Hollande [Chancellor Angela Merkel]: Do you wish French President Hollande [Chancellor Angela Merkel] to...?

**- Recap : Total « Somewhat yes » -**



\* Study realized for Green Lotus interviewing a sample of 1000 people representing people in France aged 18 and over. The interviews were conducted using self-administered on-line questionnaires from April 16<sup>th</sup> to April 18<sup>th</sup> 2013.

**Question :** Chinese President Xi Jinping will soon arrive in France to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the establishment of bilateral diplomatic relations and will meet with President François Hollande:



**Do you wish French President Hollande to...?**



Raise with China the issue of Climate Change in the perspective of the Climate Conference scheduled to happen in 2015 in Paris



Raise with Chinese President Xi Jinping the human rights situation and the state of civil liberties in China



Express to Chinese President his concerns about the situation of the Tibetan people in China



Personally commit himself to obtain new commercial contracts for French companies in China



Push Chinese capitals to invest massively in the French economy



**Do you wish Chancellor Angela Merkel to...?**



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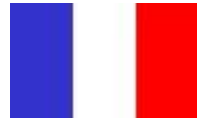
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■ Somewhat yes

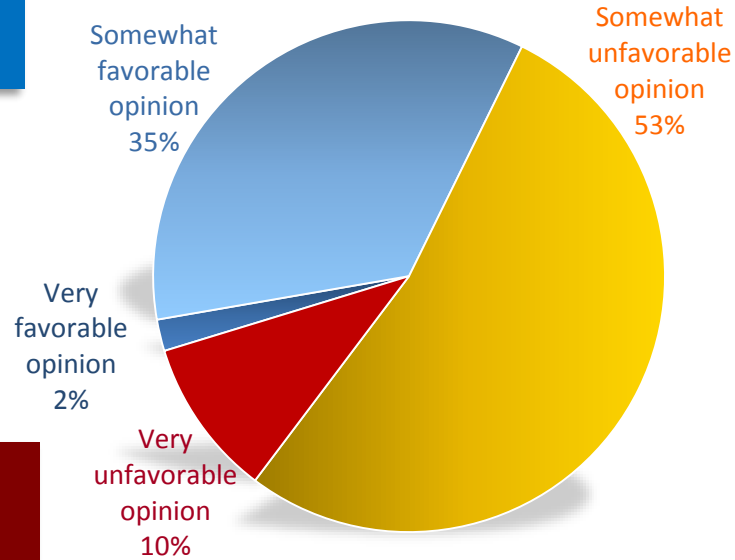
■ Somewhat no

**Question :** In March 2014, Chinese President Xi Jinping will undertake an official visit to 4 European countries (France, Germany, Belgium and the Netherlands).

Do you personally have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of China's leaders?



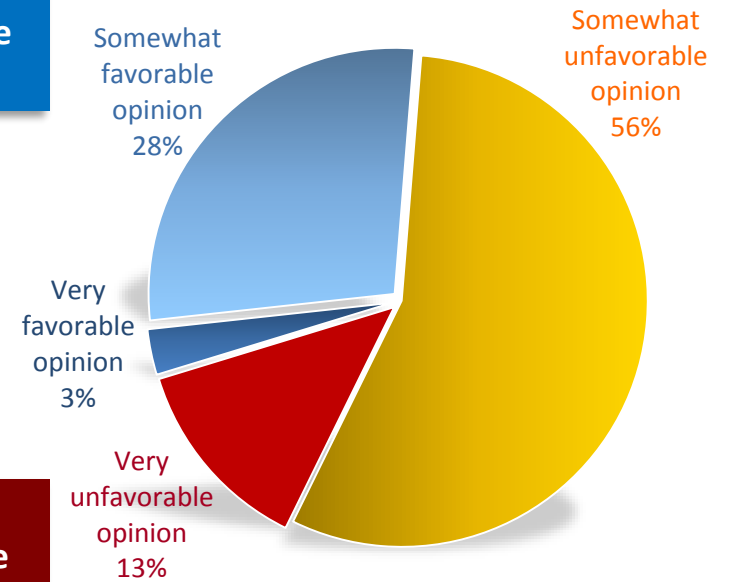
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**TOTAL Unfavorable 63%**

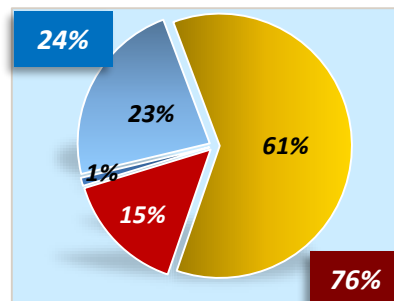


**TOTAL Favorable 31%**



**TOTAL Unfavorable 69%**

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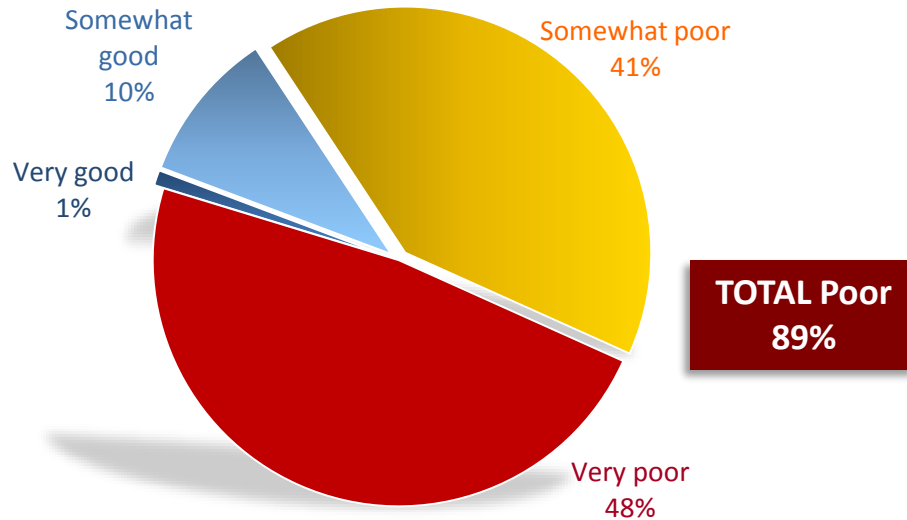


# ***B | French, Germans and the situation in Tibet***

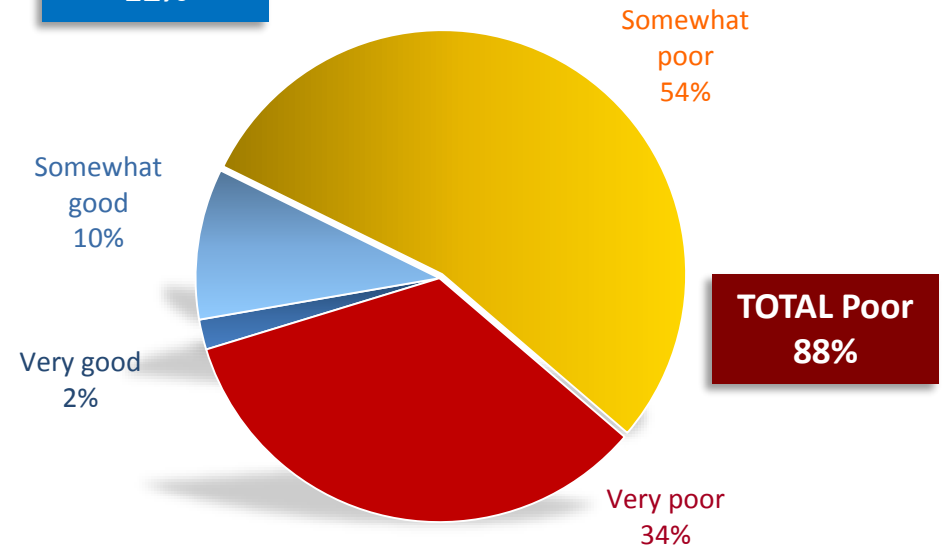
**Question :** How would you assess the human rights in Tibet?



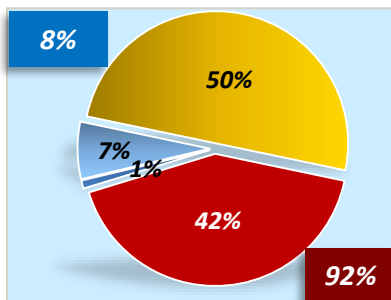
**TOTAL Good  
11%**



**TOTAL Good  
12%**

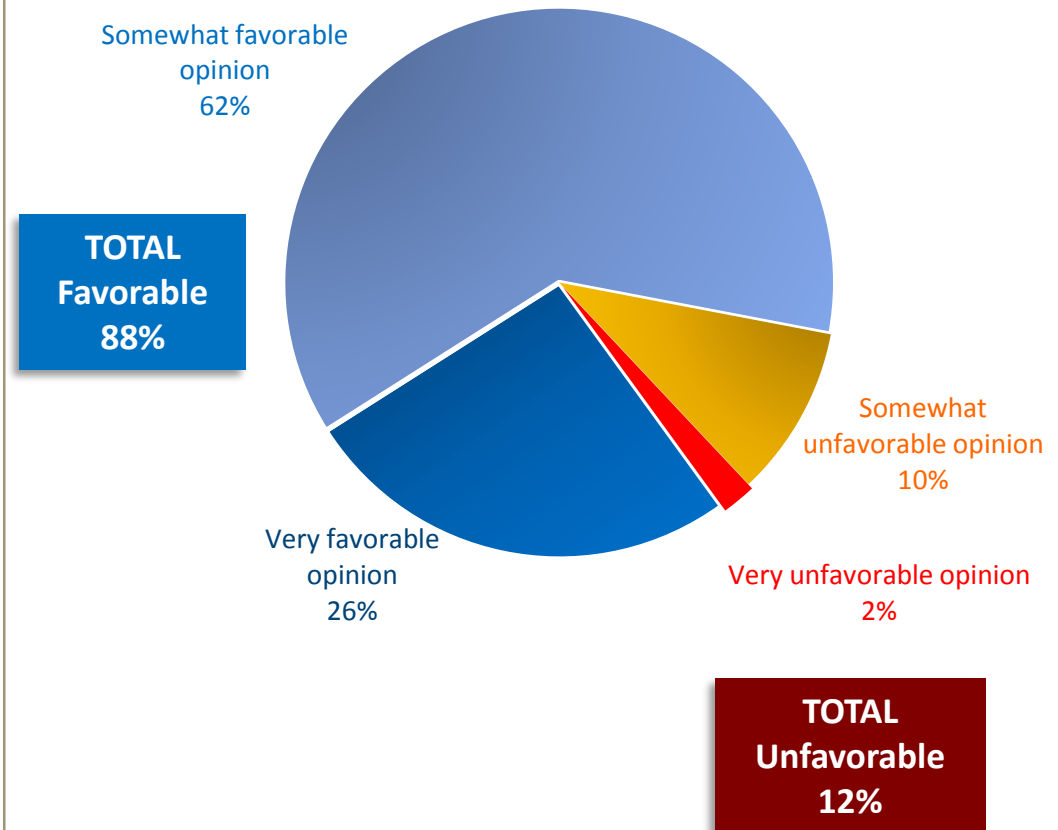
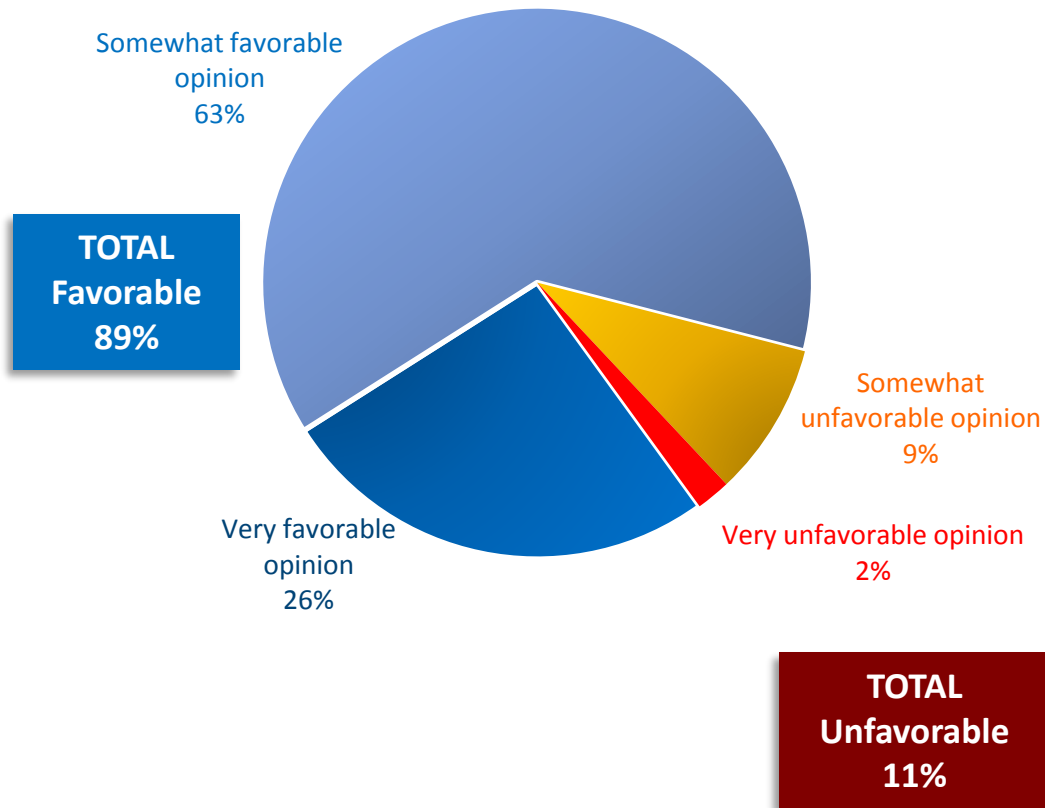


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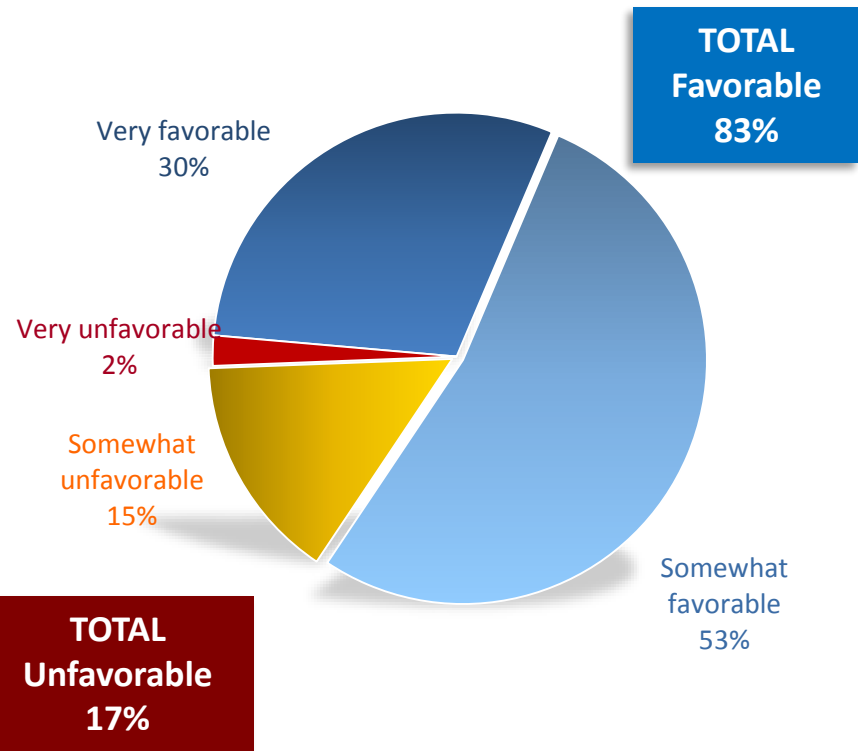
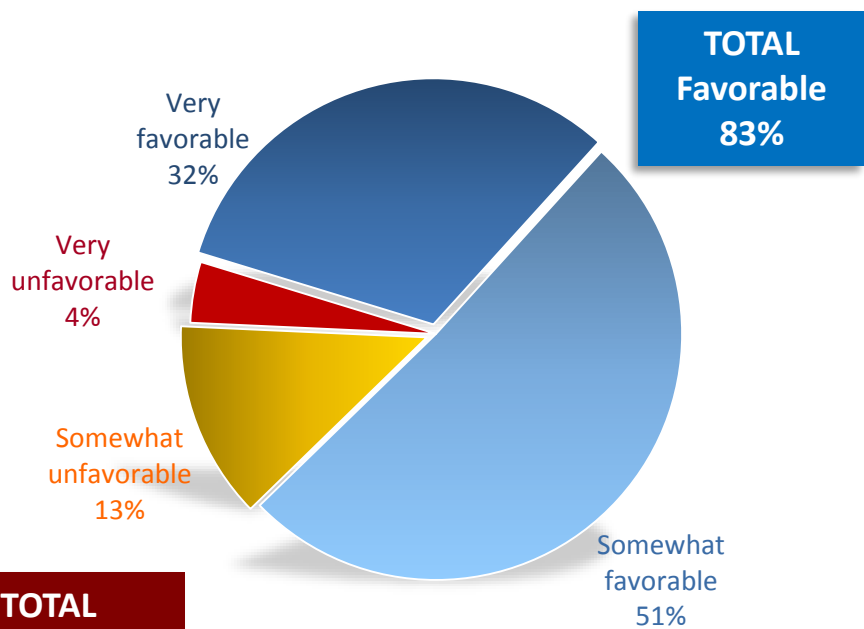




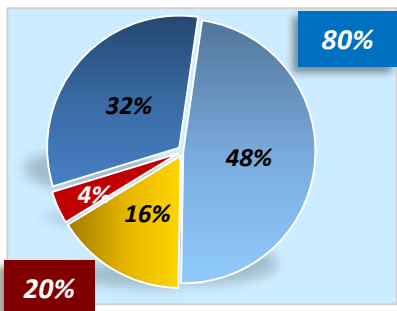
**Question :** Do you personally have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the Dalai Lama, the spiritual leader of the Tibetan people?



**Question :** Personally are in you favor or are you against President François Hollande [Chancellor Angela Merkel] inviting the Dalai Lama to an official visit at the Elysée [the Chancellery] in the near future?



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**Question :** *The Dalai Lama has never been able to return to his homeland since 1959. Chinese leaders have not met with the Dalai Lama since he fled into exile. The Dalai Lama is seeking a negotiated solution to the issue in Tibet.*

*Personally, are you in favor or not of a face-to-face meeting between Chinese President Xi Jinping and the Dalai Lama?*

