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BACKGROUND

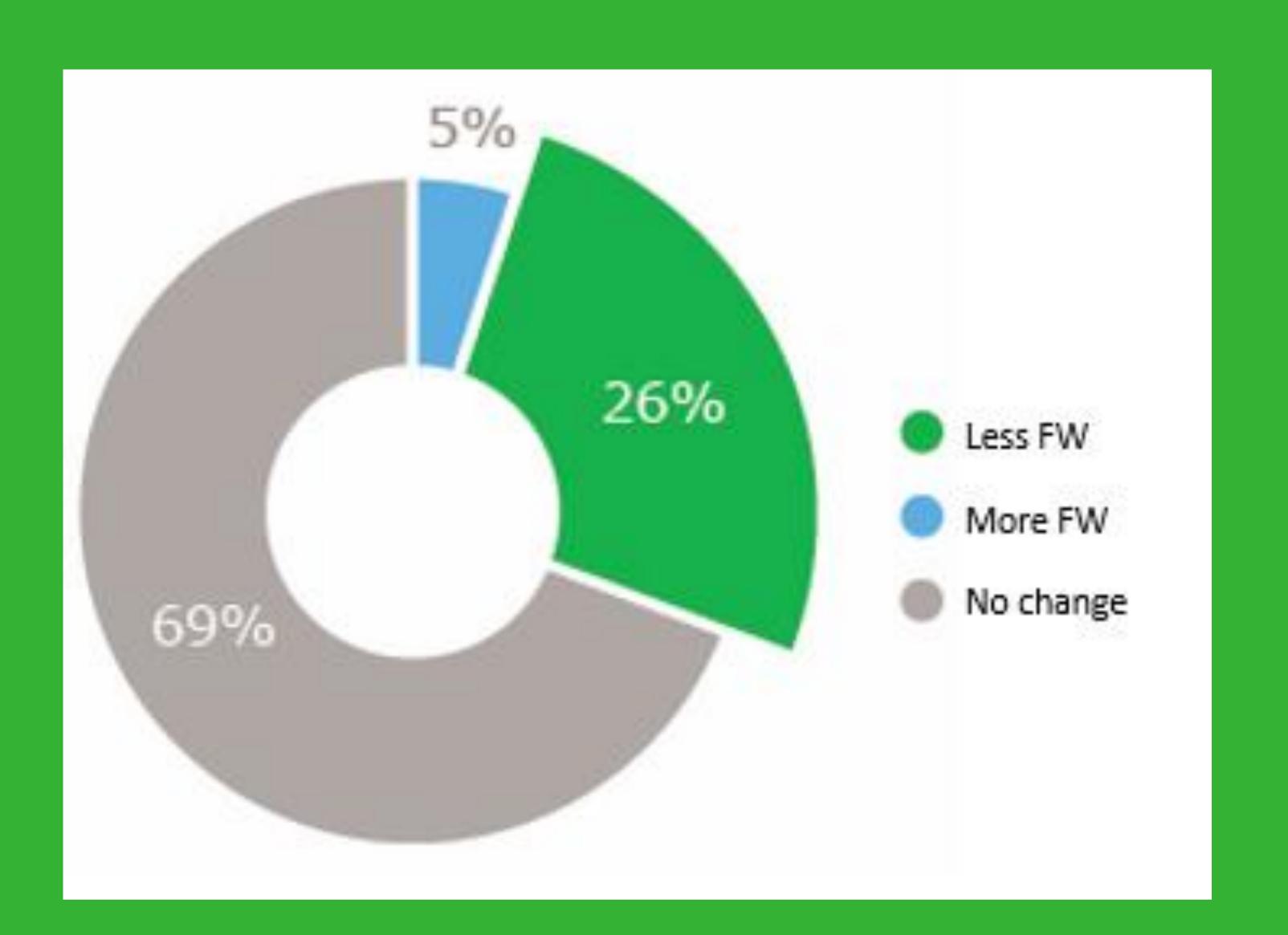
- NL and EU aim at halving Food Waste (FW) by 2030
- The COVID-19 crisis
 provoked rapid
 behavioural changes,
 also in relation to food
 management in
 households

METHODS

- 1.N = 1500
- 2. Online survey based on REFRESH & MOA framework
- 3. Period: May 2020
- a Wageningen Food &
 Biobased Research
 b Netherlands Nutrition
 Centre

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26% of Dutch households reported to waste less food during COVID-19





Conclusion: The COVID-19 measures appear to positively influence food waste related behaviours among Dutch households. These insights can guide future food waste reduction interventions.







POTENTIAL REASONS FOR LESS FOOD WASTE

Shopping

- less often (38%)
- less impulsive (30%)
- more often with a shopping list (26%)

Cooking

- more frequently (28%)
- more time spent on cooking (21%)
- less food leftovers (23%)

Storage

- more food in stock (33%)
- knowing better what is in stock (20%)

MOA

- More awareness of food waste (20%)
- more attention to expiry dates (21%)
- less unexpected
 circumstances (33%)



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