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# Integrated System for Long distance psychiatric Assistance and Non-conventional Distributed health Services

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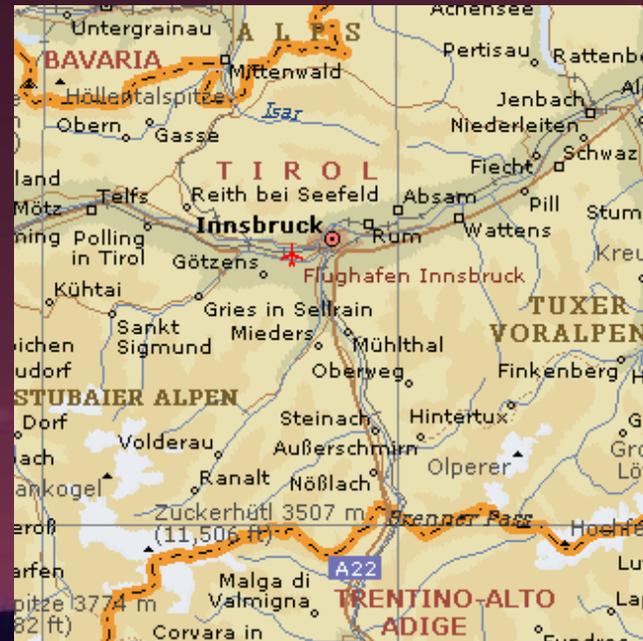
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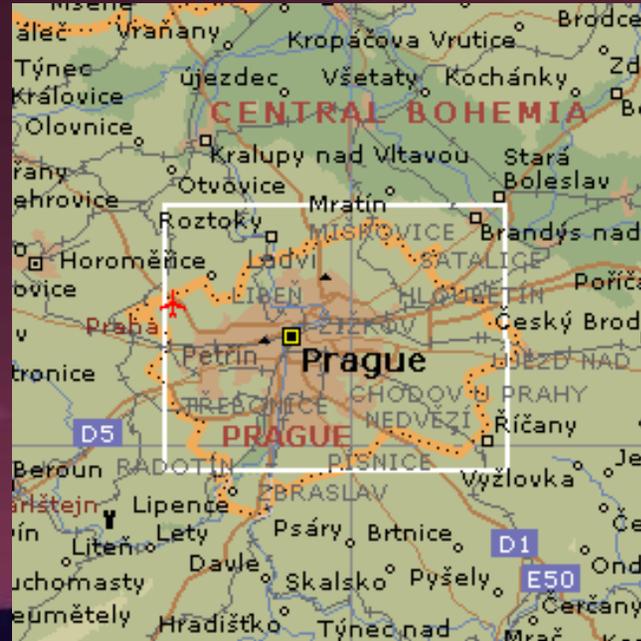




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ISLANDS scientific sites.  
Urban areas.  
Patients and therapists living in the same area.



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ISLANDS pilot sites.  
Remote regions.  
Patients and therapists living in different regions.



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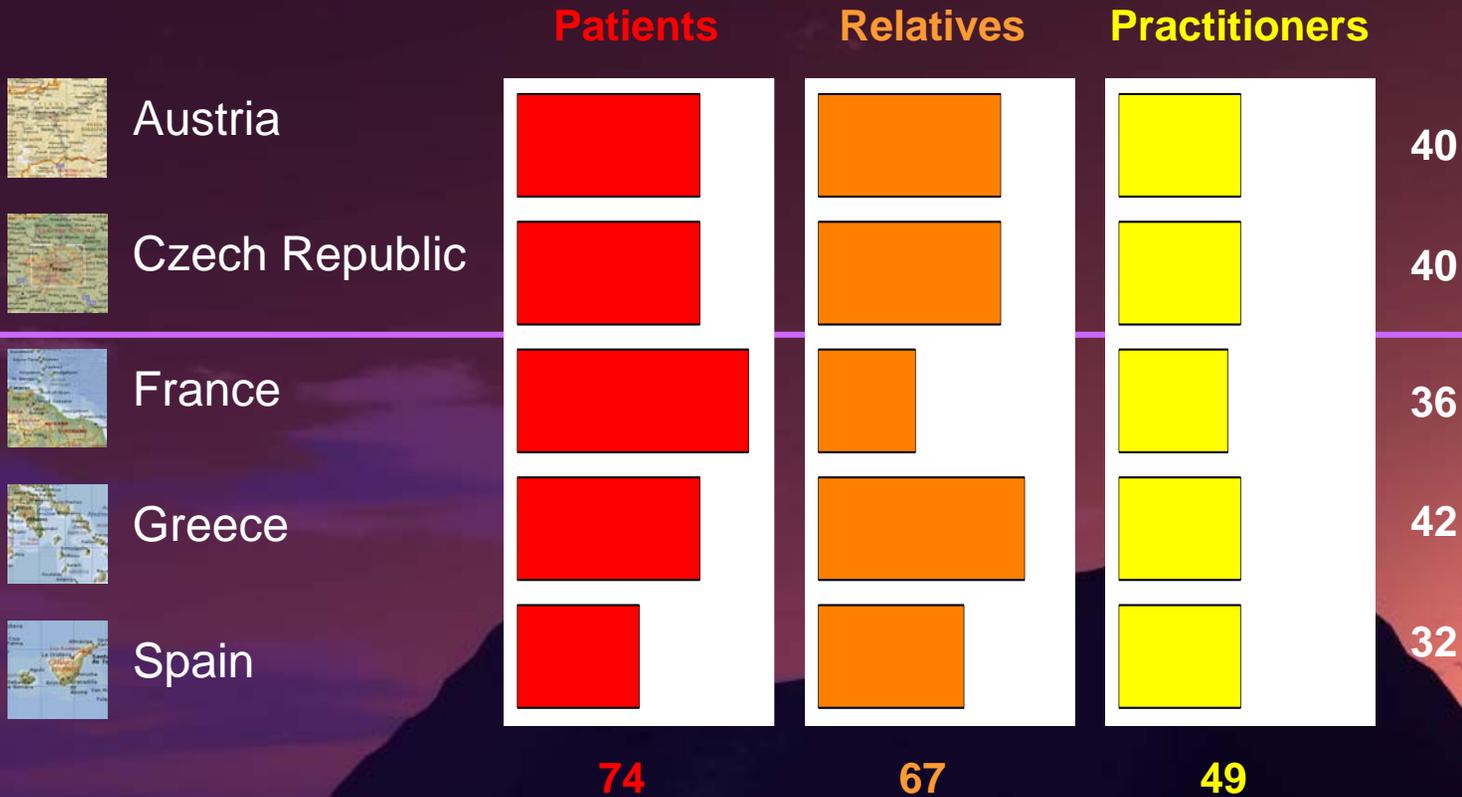


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# Regional situation of mental health care



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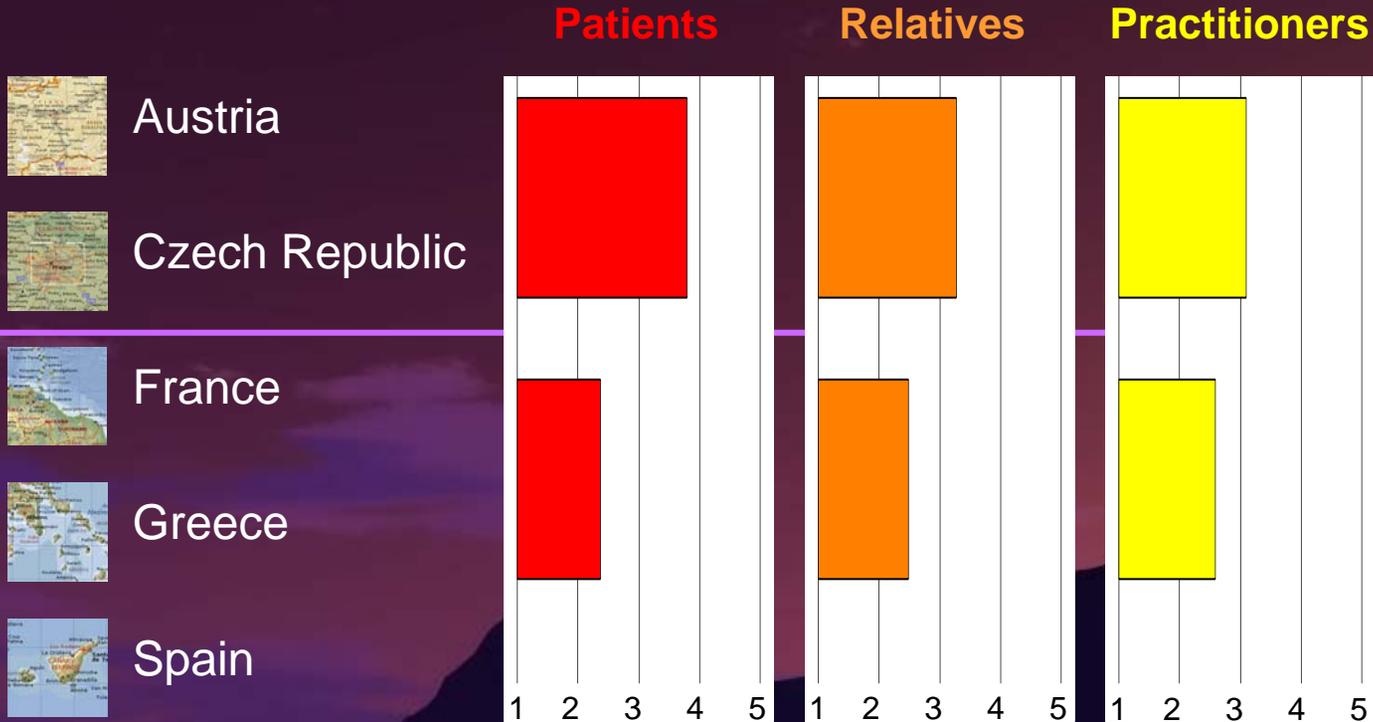
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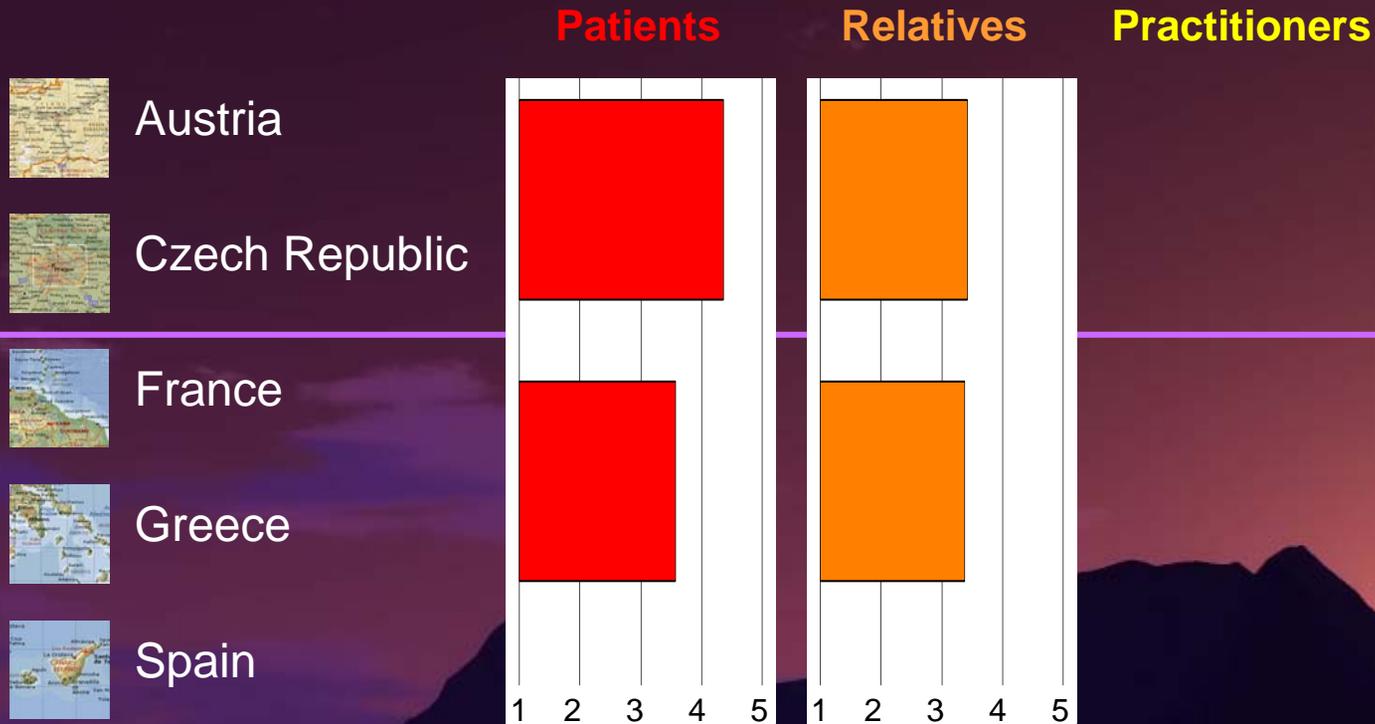
# Is the quality of mental health services sufficient?

Likert-scale: 1 (No, not at all) - 5 (Yes, absolutely)



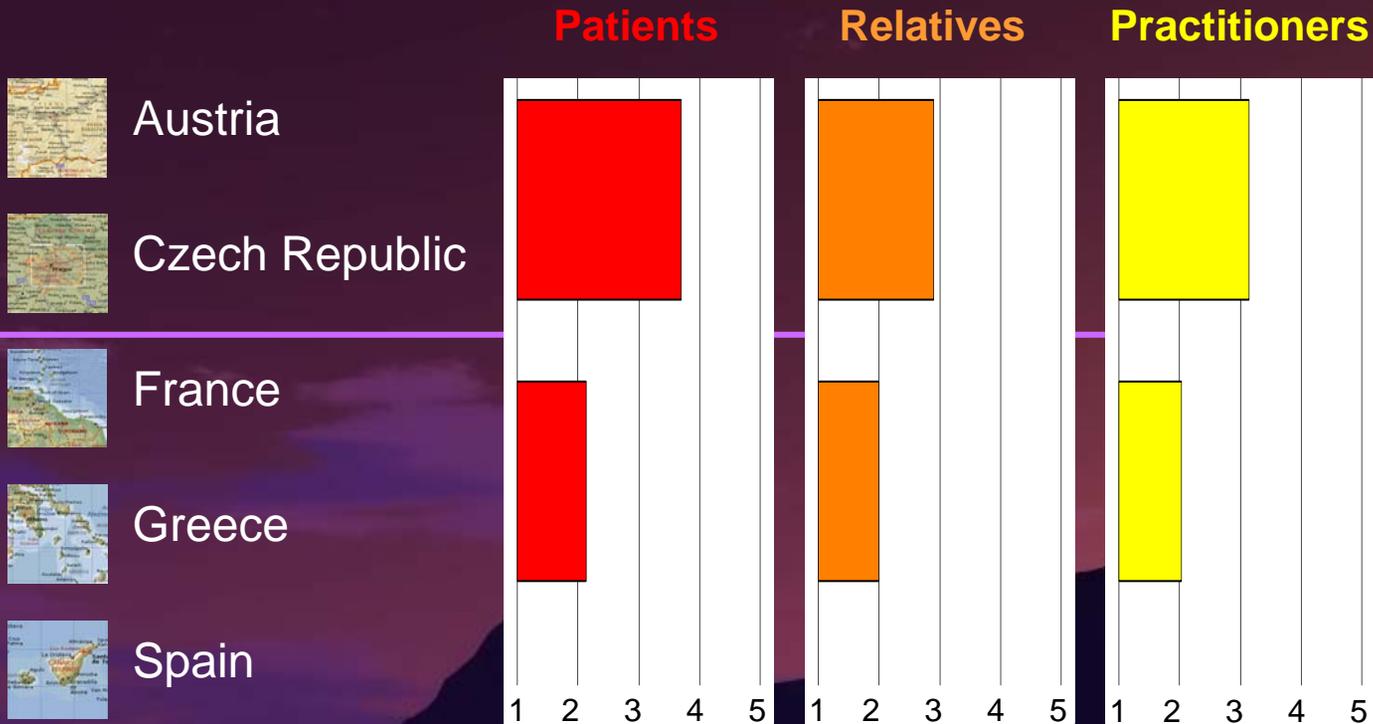
# Are you satisfied with treatment?

Likert-scale: 1 (No, not at all) - 5 (Yes, absolutely)



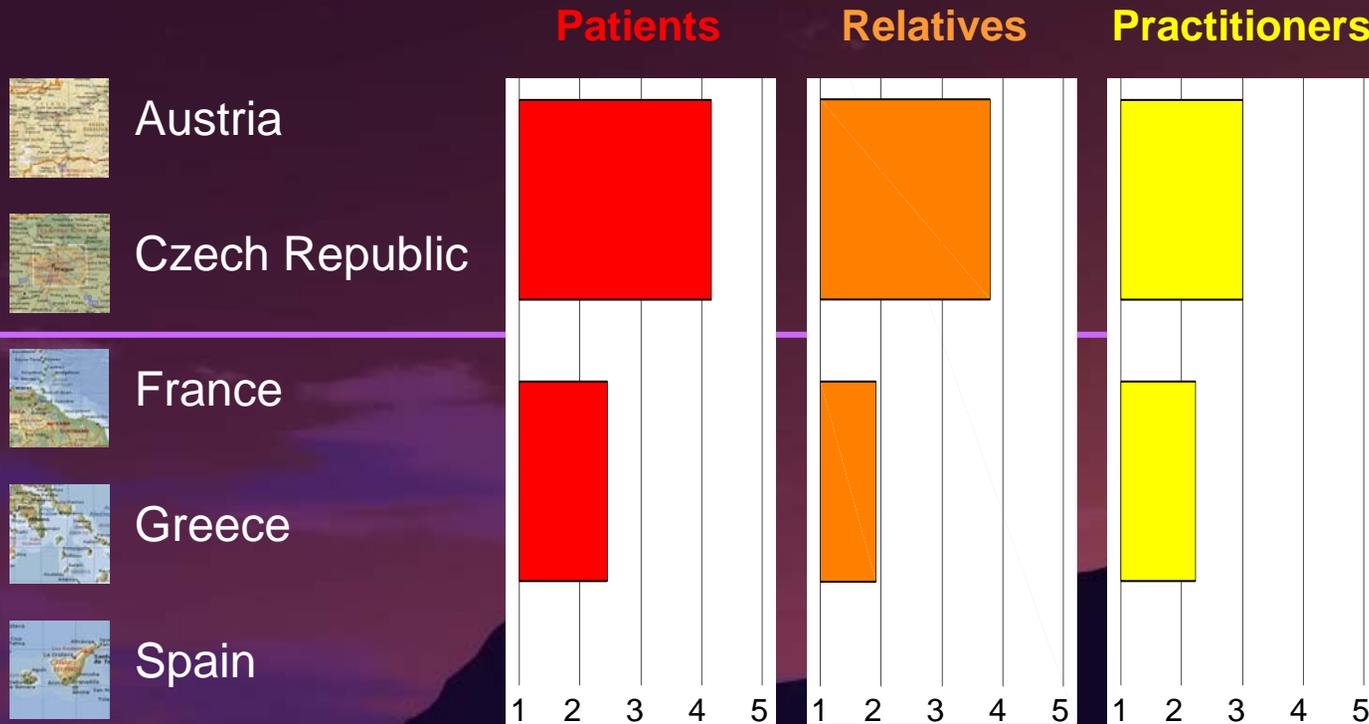
# Is the geographical distribution of mental health resources sufficient?

Likert-scale: 1 (No, not at all) - 5 (Yes, absolutely)



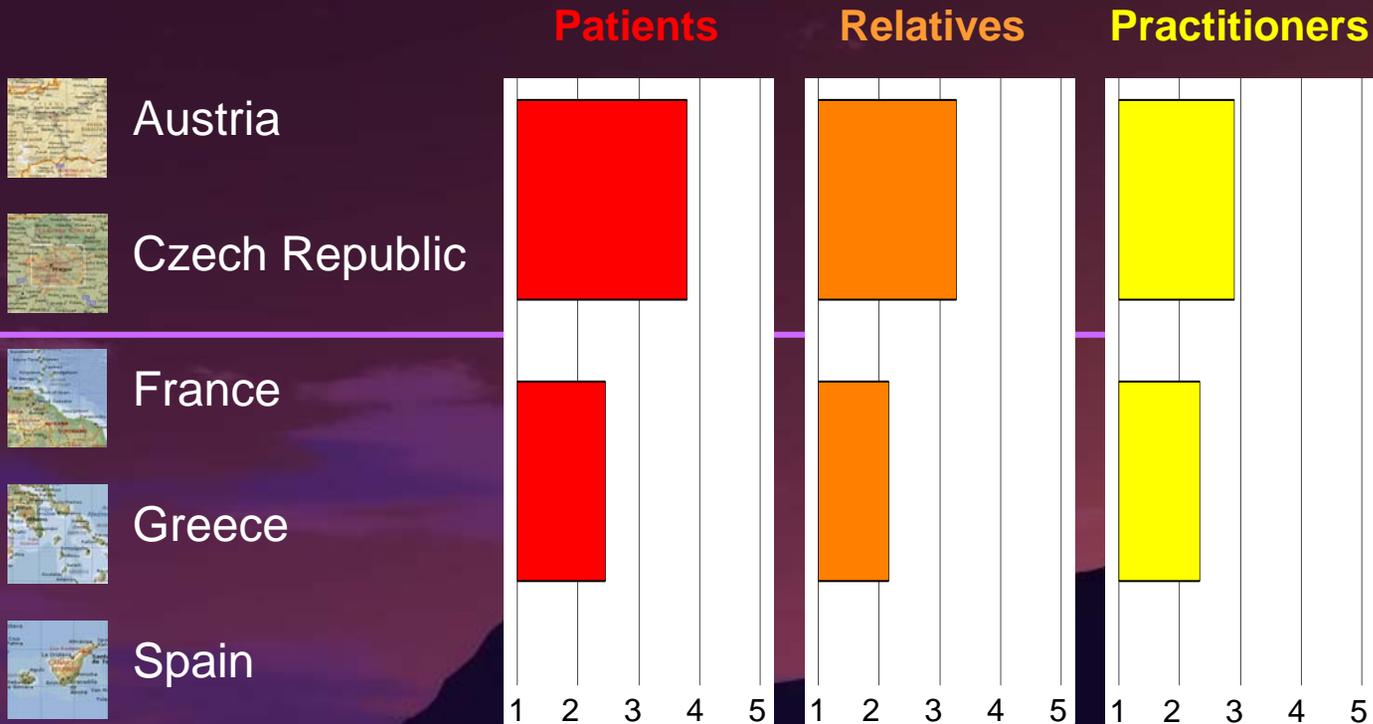
# Are the resources for mental health care sufficient in your area?

Likert-scale: 1 (No, not at all) - 5 (Yes, absolutely)



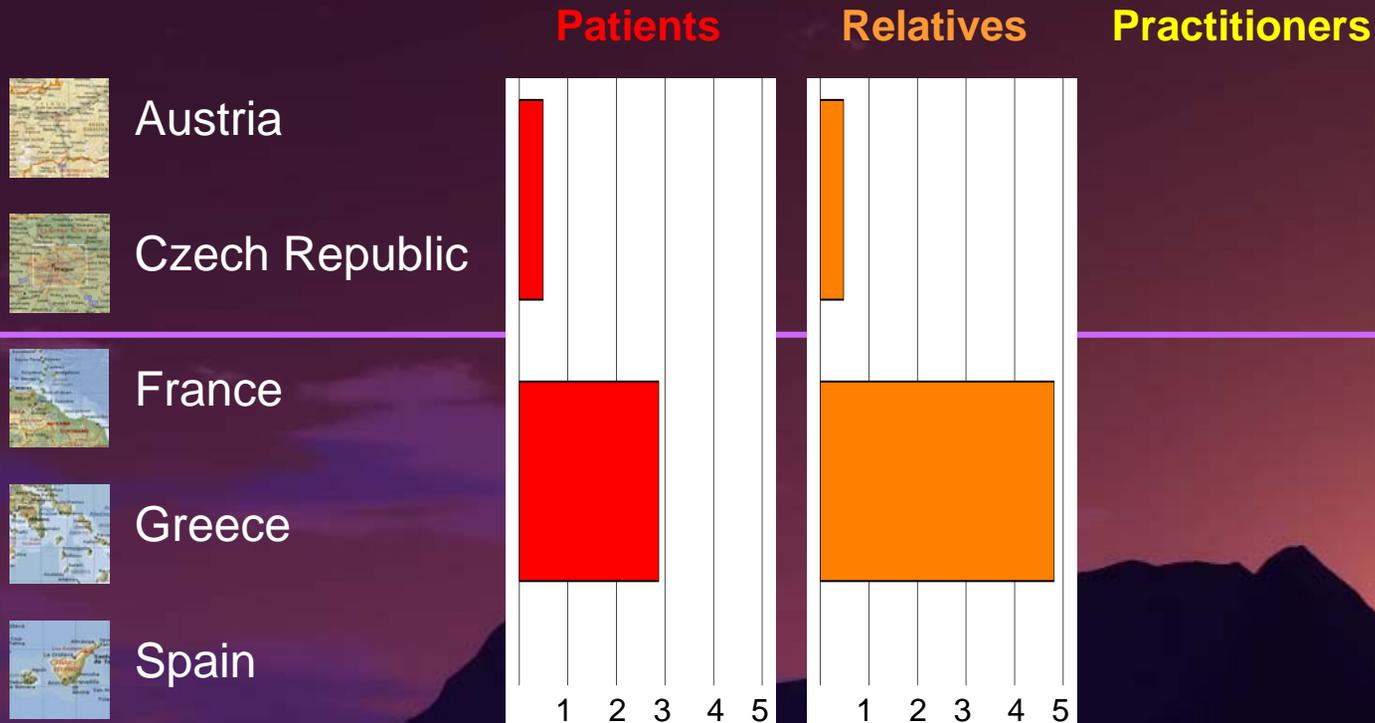
# Is the accessibility to mental health care sufficient?

Likert-scale: 1 (No, not at all) - 5 (Yes, absolutely)



# What is the average traveltime to the psychiatrist?

In hours



# Telecommunication: Personal situation



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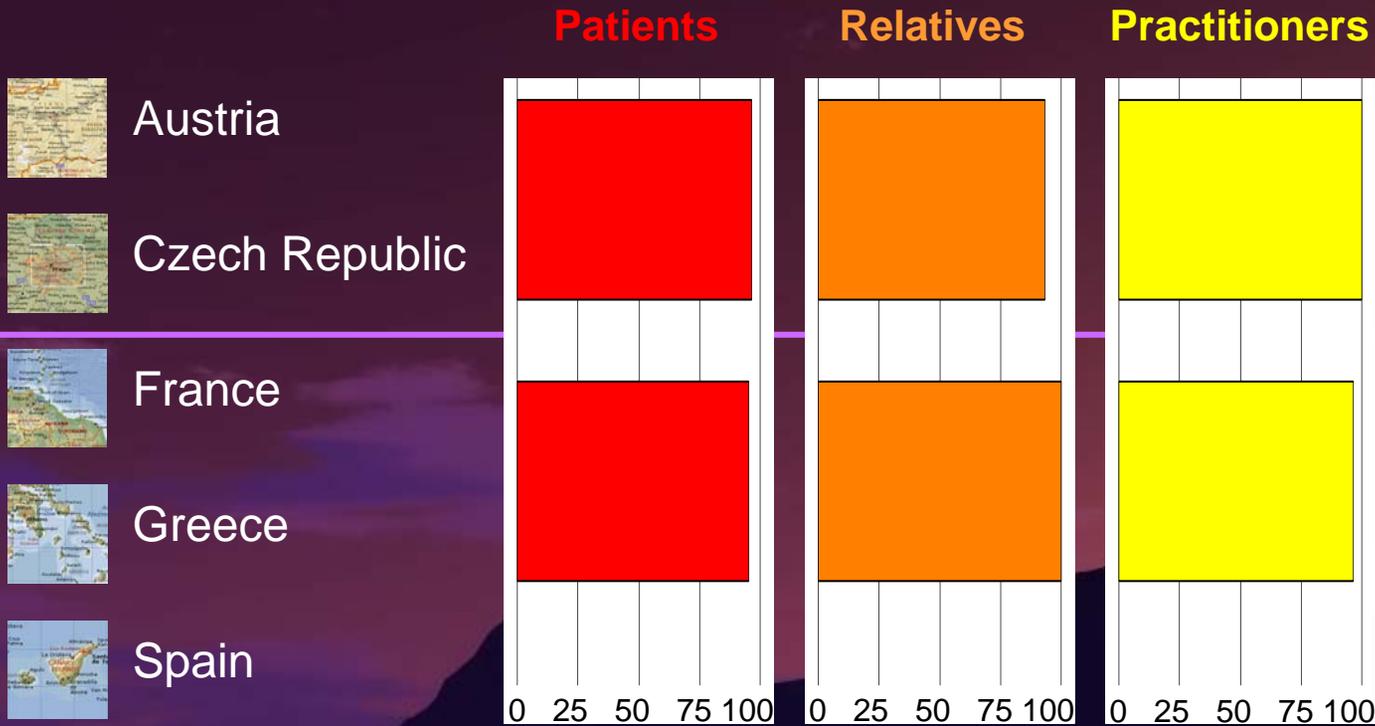
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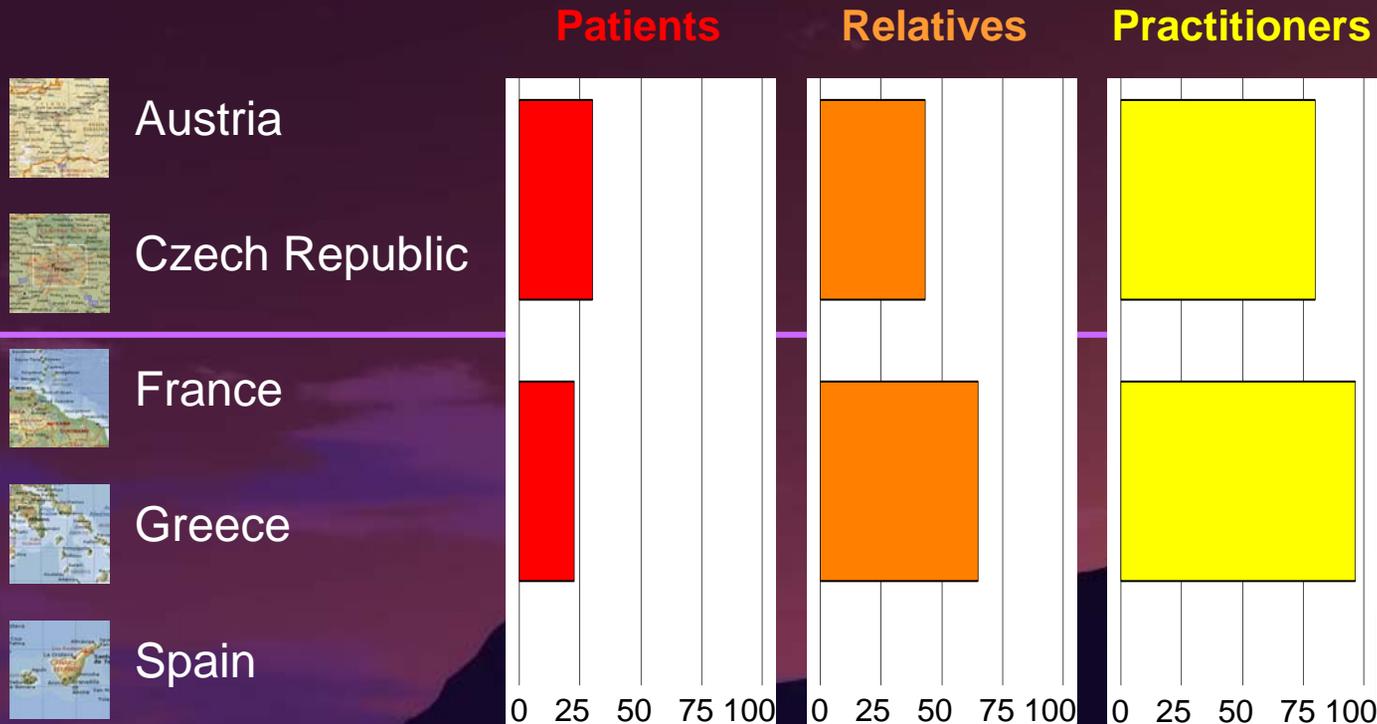
# Do you have a telephone?

„Yes“ in percent



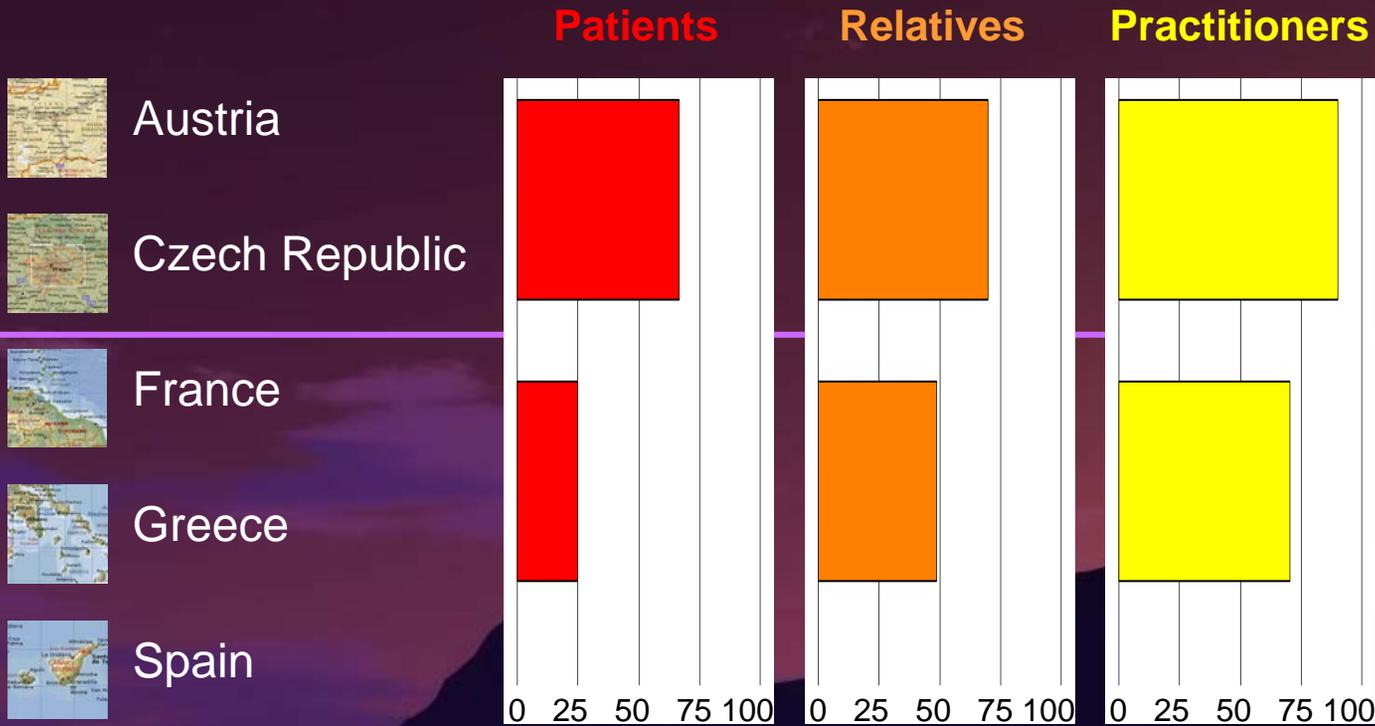
# Do you have access to fax?

„Yes“ in percent



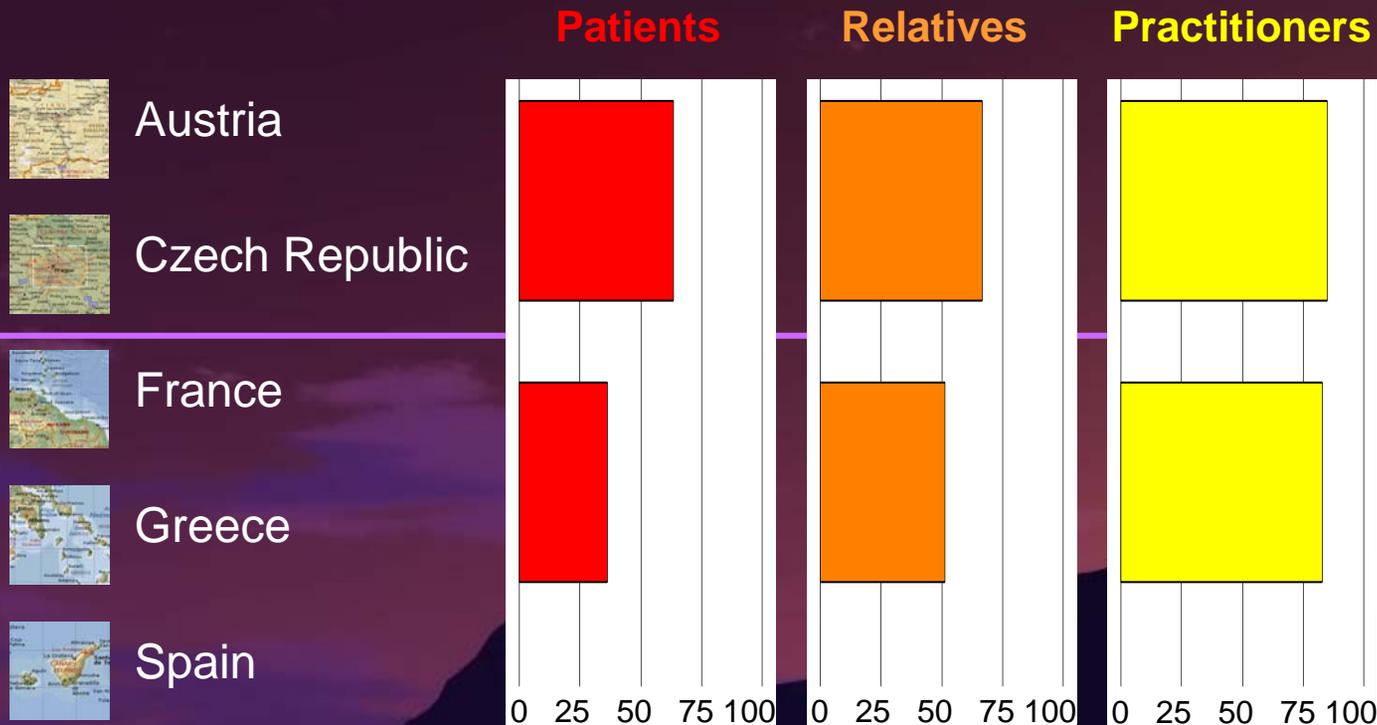
# Do you have a Personal Computer?

„Yes“ in percent



# Do you have access to Internet and e-mail?

„Yes“ in percent



# Attitudes towards telepsychiatry and e-mental health



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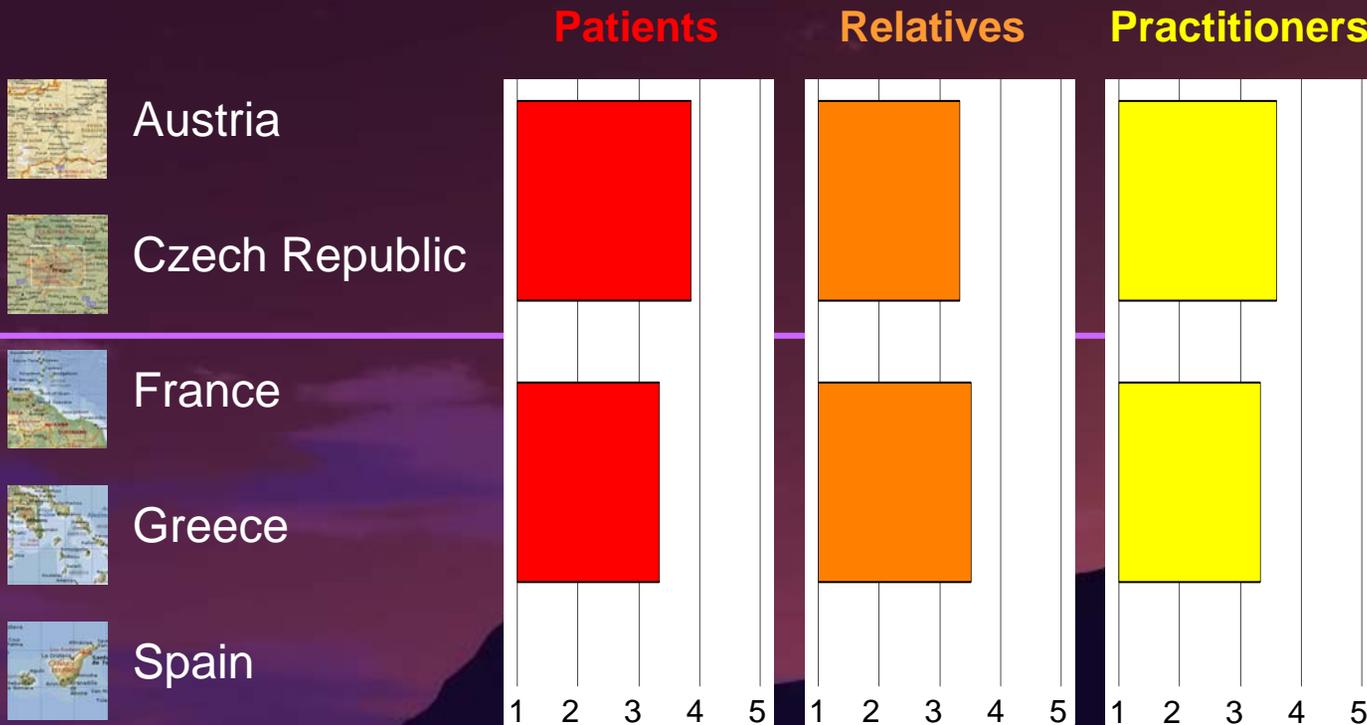


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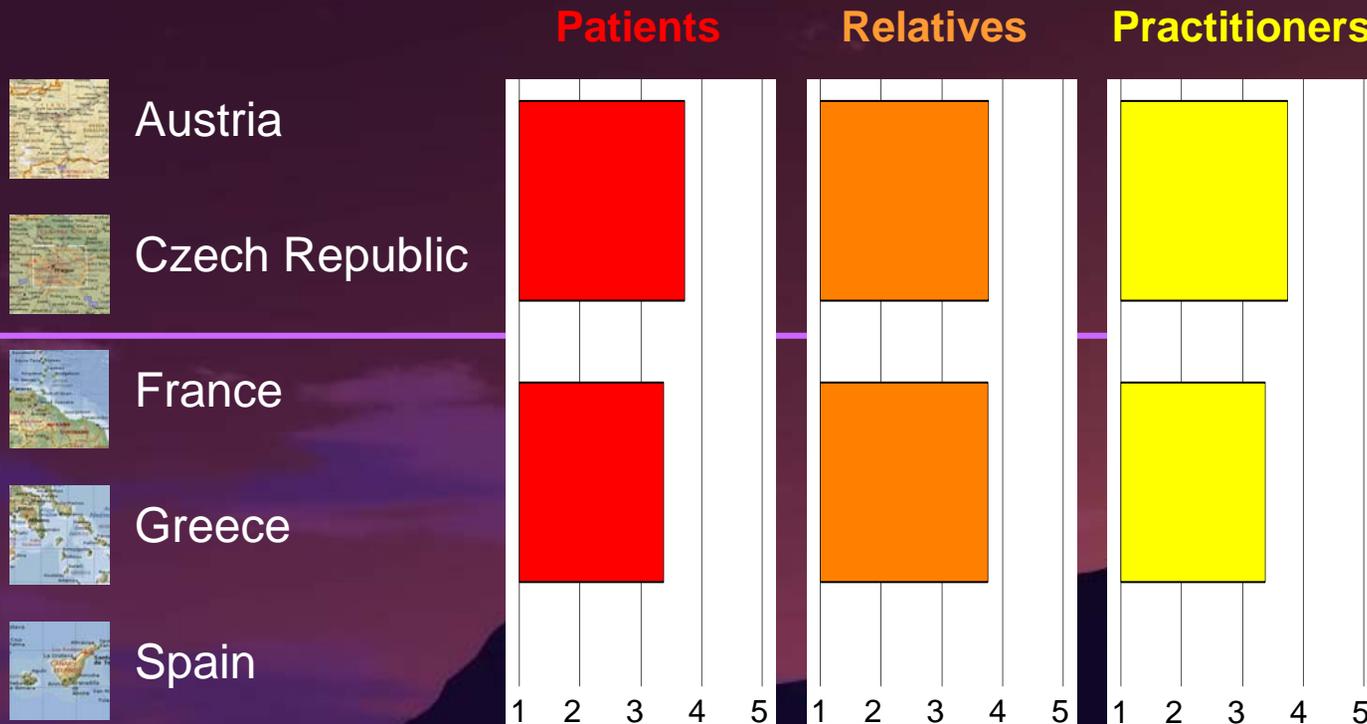
# Do you think that patients would accept a telepsychiatry or e-mental health service?

Likert-scale: 1 (No, not at all) – 5 (Yes, absolutely)



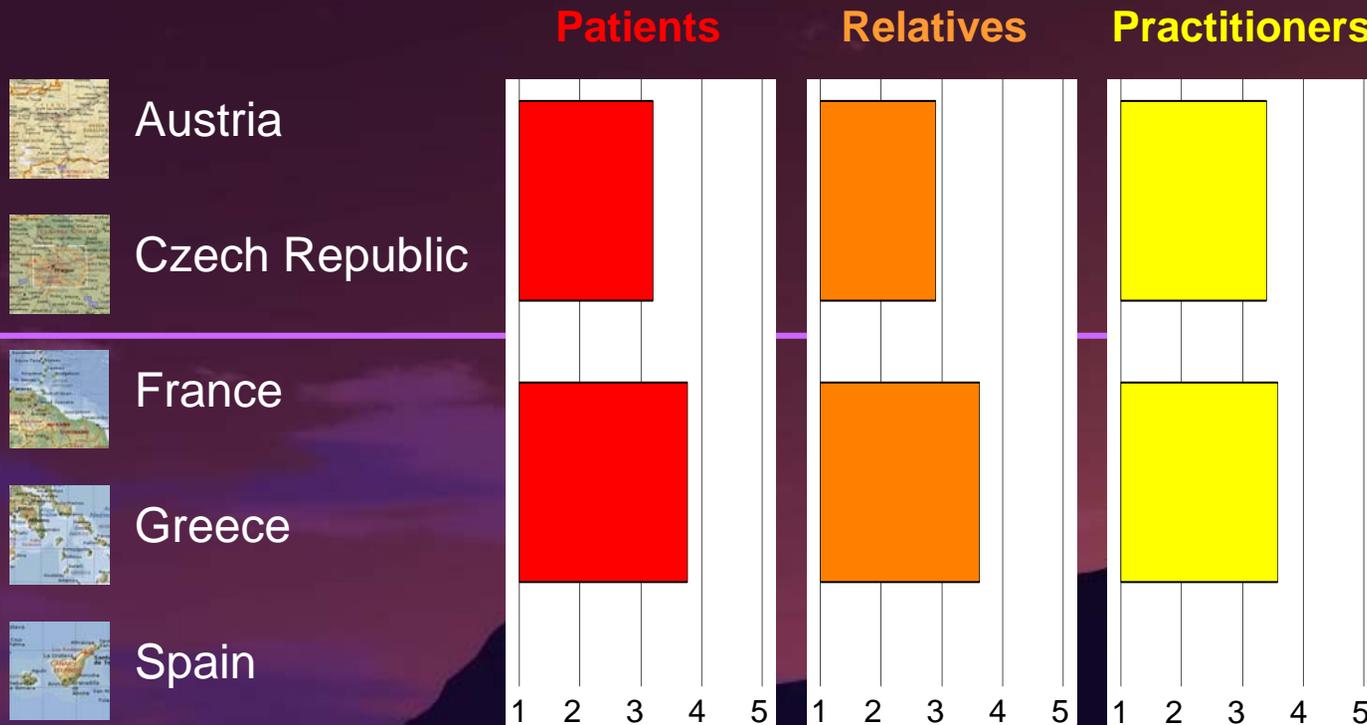
# Do you think that patients' family members would accept a telepsychiatry or e-mental health service?

Likert-scale: 1 (No, not at all) – 5 (Yes, absolutely)



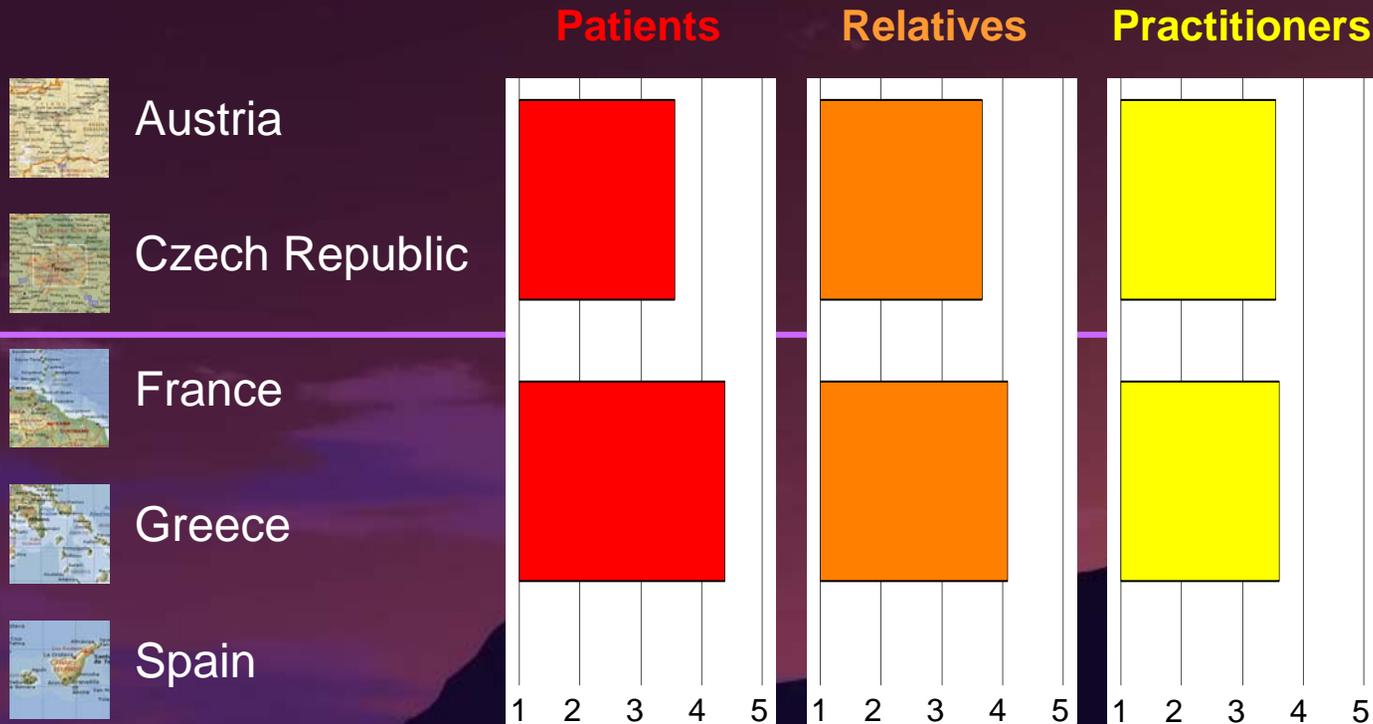
# Do you think that general practitioners would accept a telepsychiatry or e-mental health service?

Likert-scale: 1 (No, not at all) – 5 (Yes, absolutely)



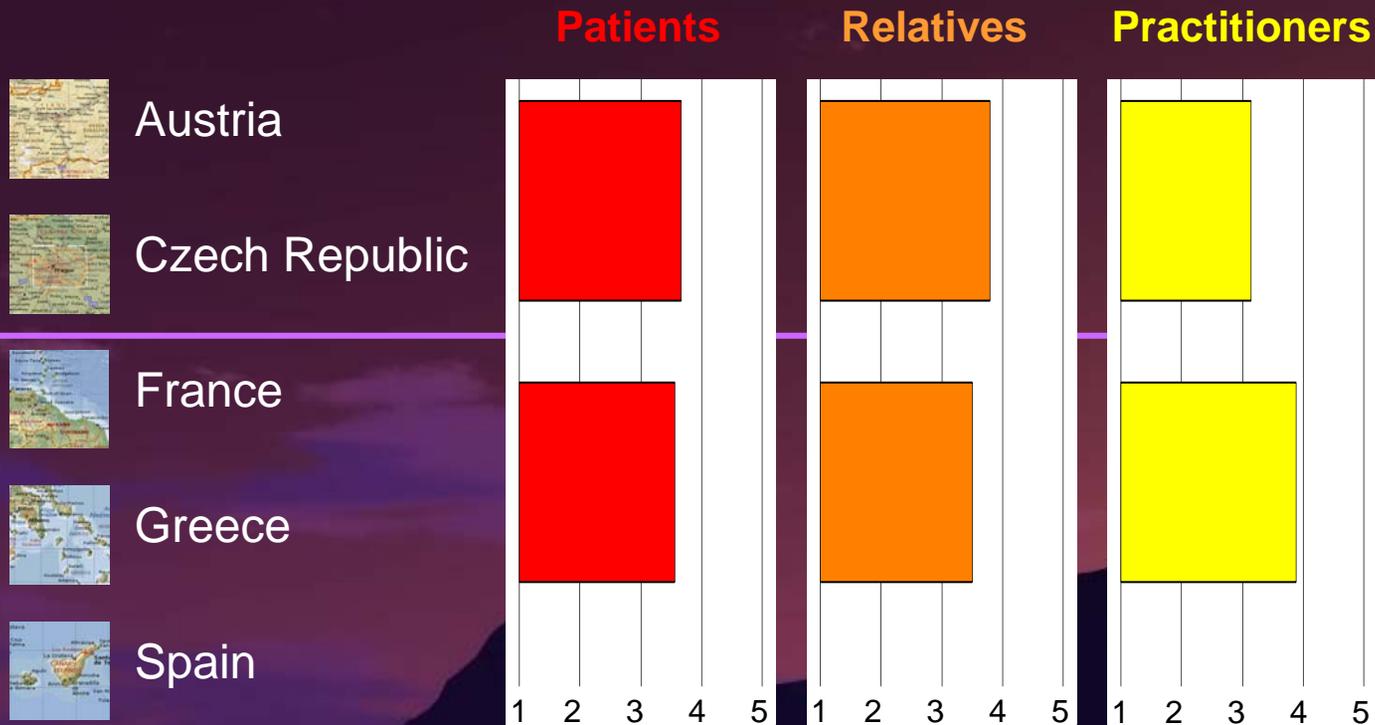
# Do you think that mental health professionals would accept a telepsychiatry or e-mental health service?

Likert-scale: 1 (No, not at all) – 5 (Yes, absolutely)



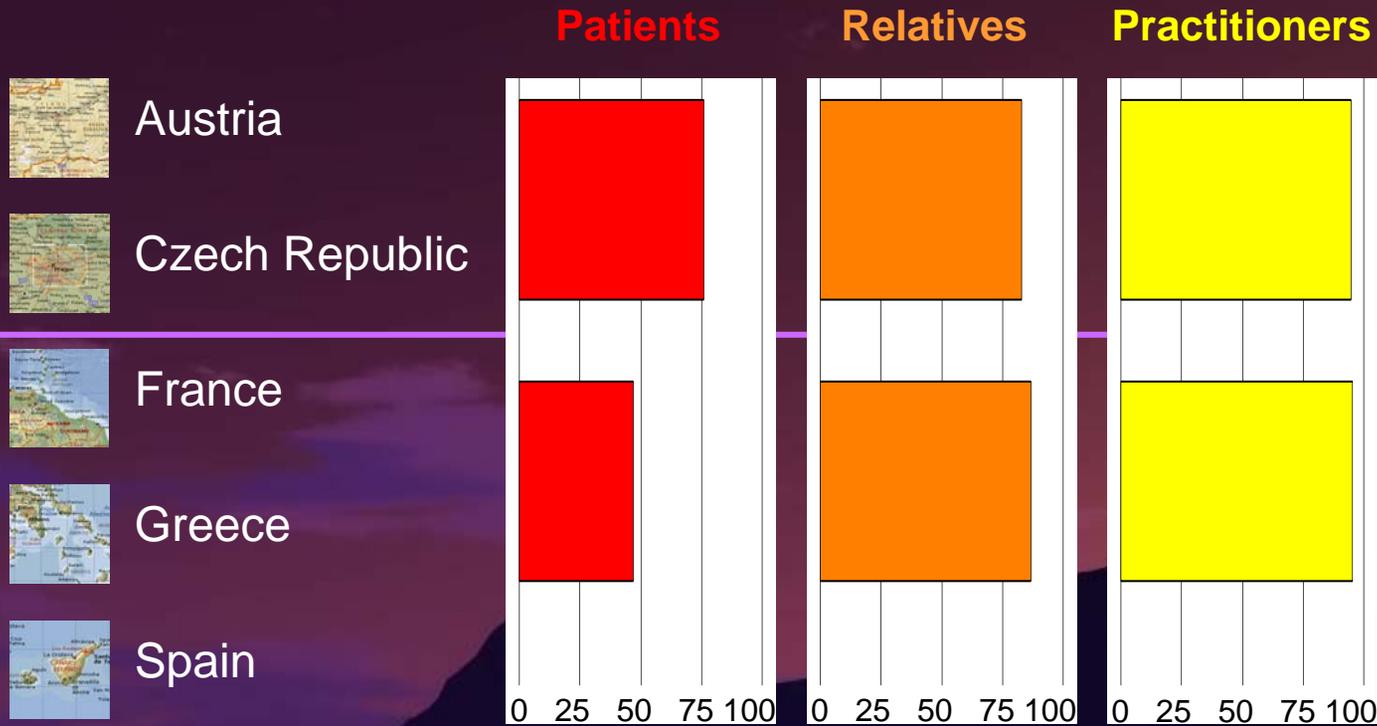
# Do you think that a telepsychiatric or e-mental health service would lead to improved quality of mental health care?

Likert-scale: 1 (No, not at all) – 5 (Yes, absolutely)



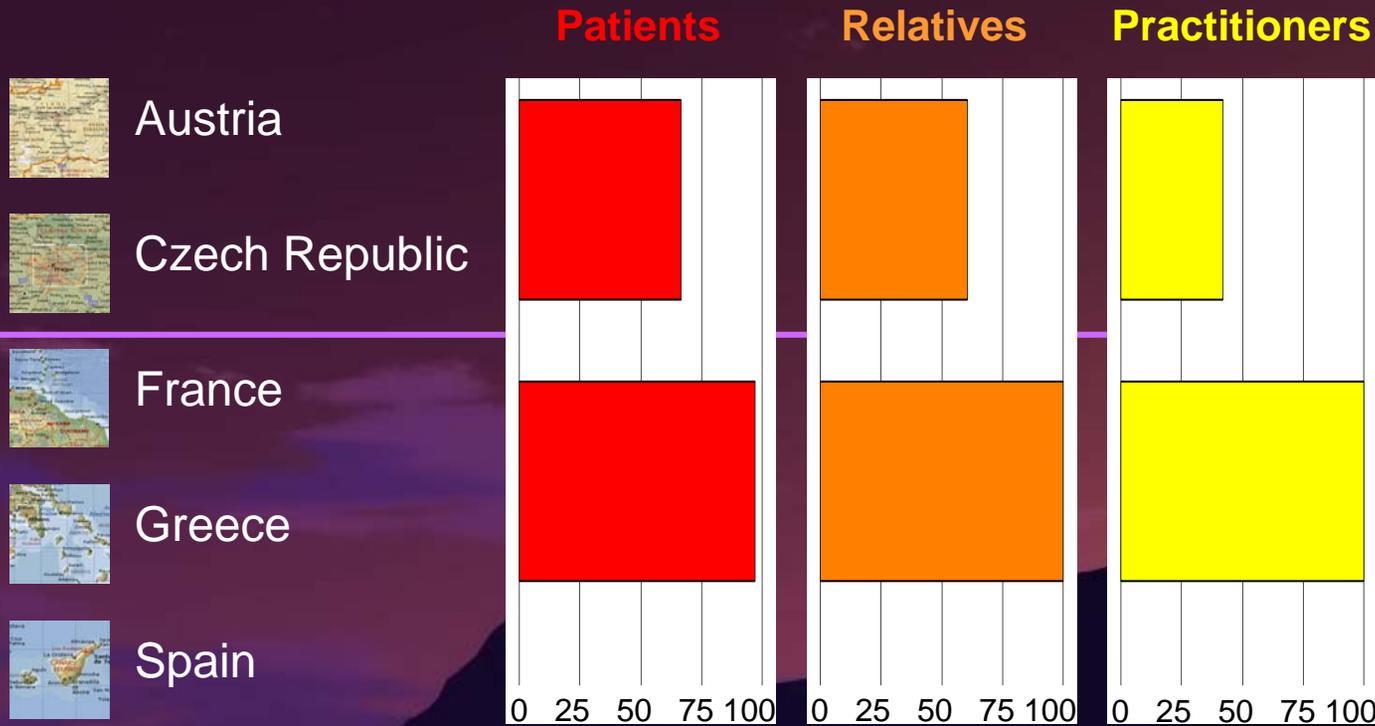
# Would the telephone be appropriate for psychiatric telecommunication services?

„Yes“ in percent



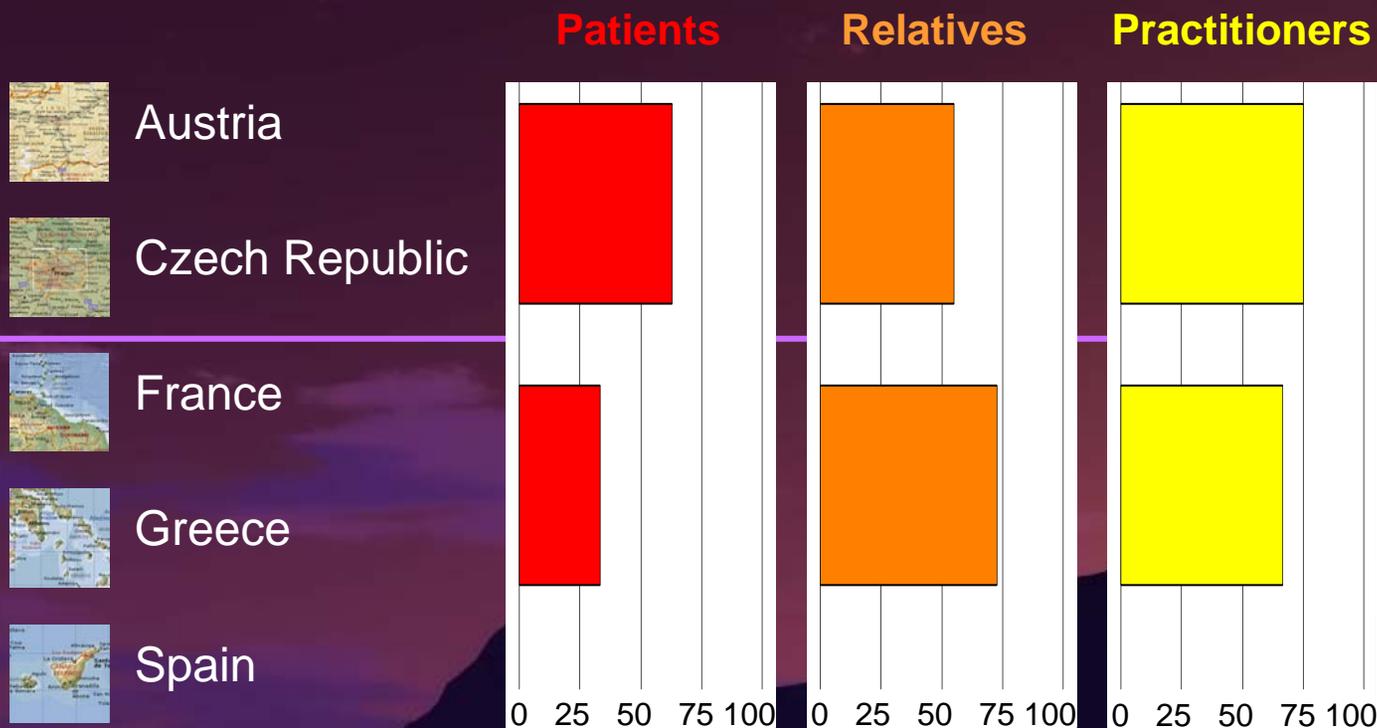
# Would videoconferencing be appropriate for psychiatric telecommunication services?

„Yes“ in percent



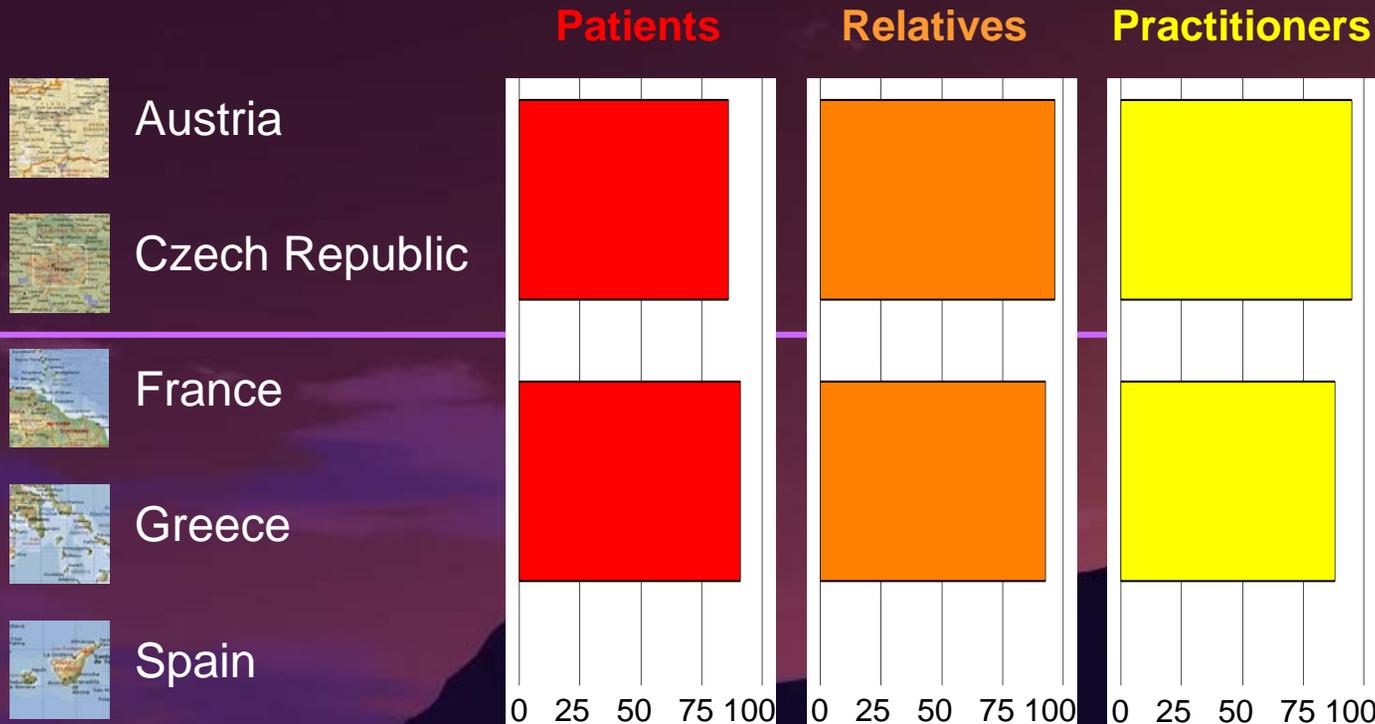
# Would Internet / email be appropriate for psychiatric telecommunication services?

„Yes“ in percent



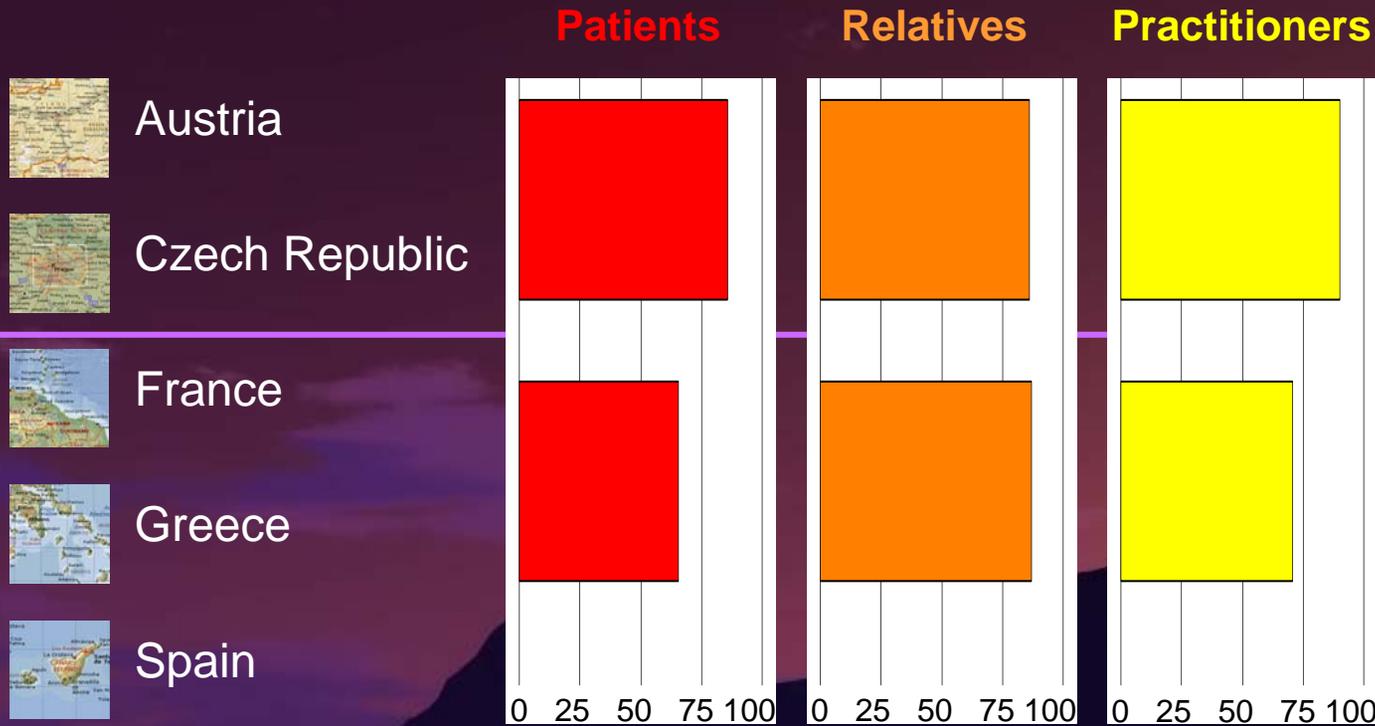
# Would you prefer to use telecommunication technologies for psychiatric information?

„Yes“ in percent



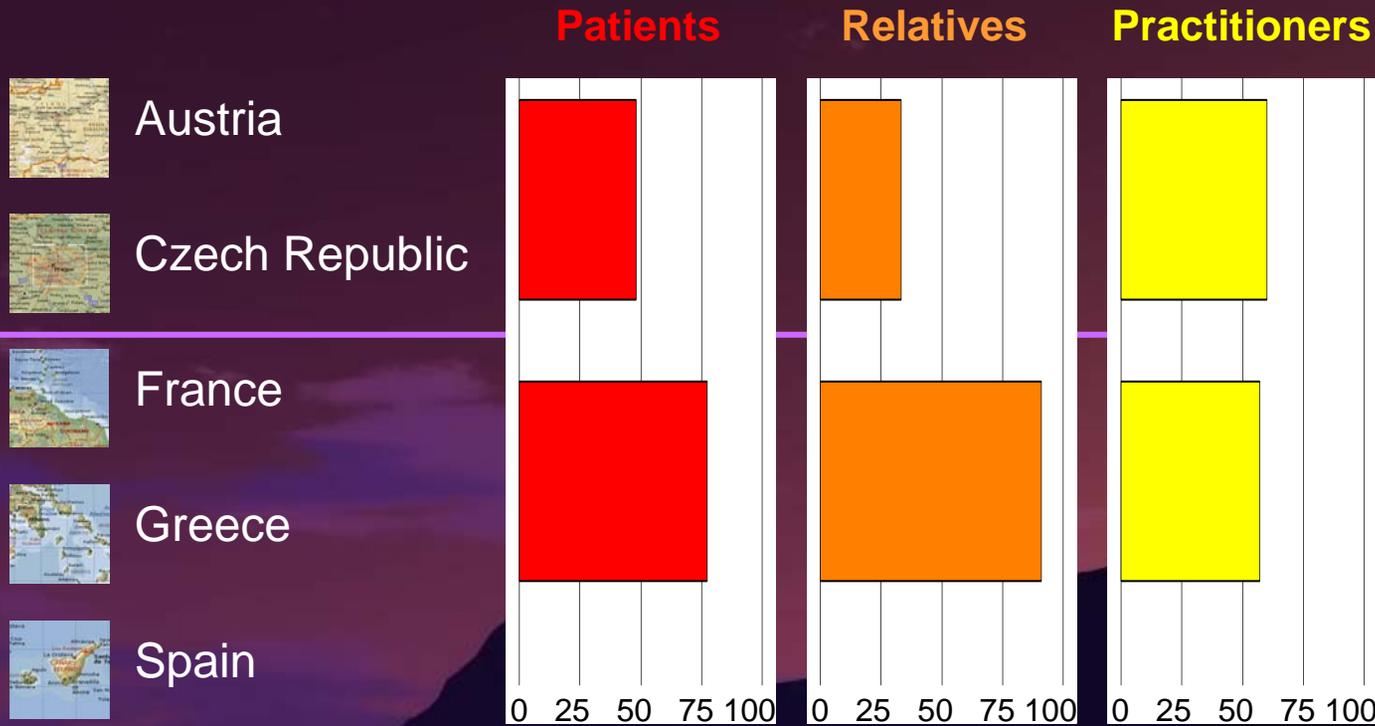
# Would you prefer to use telecommunication technologies for psychiatric consultation?

„Yes“ in percent



# Would you prefer to use telecommunication technologies for psychiatric treatment?

„Yes“ in percent



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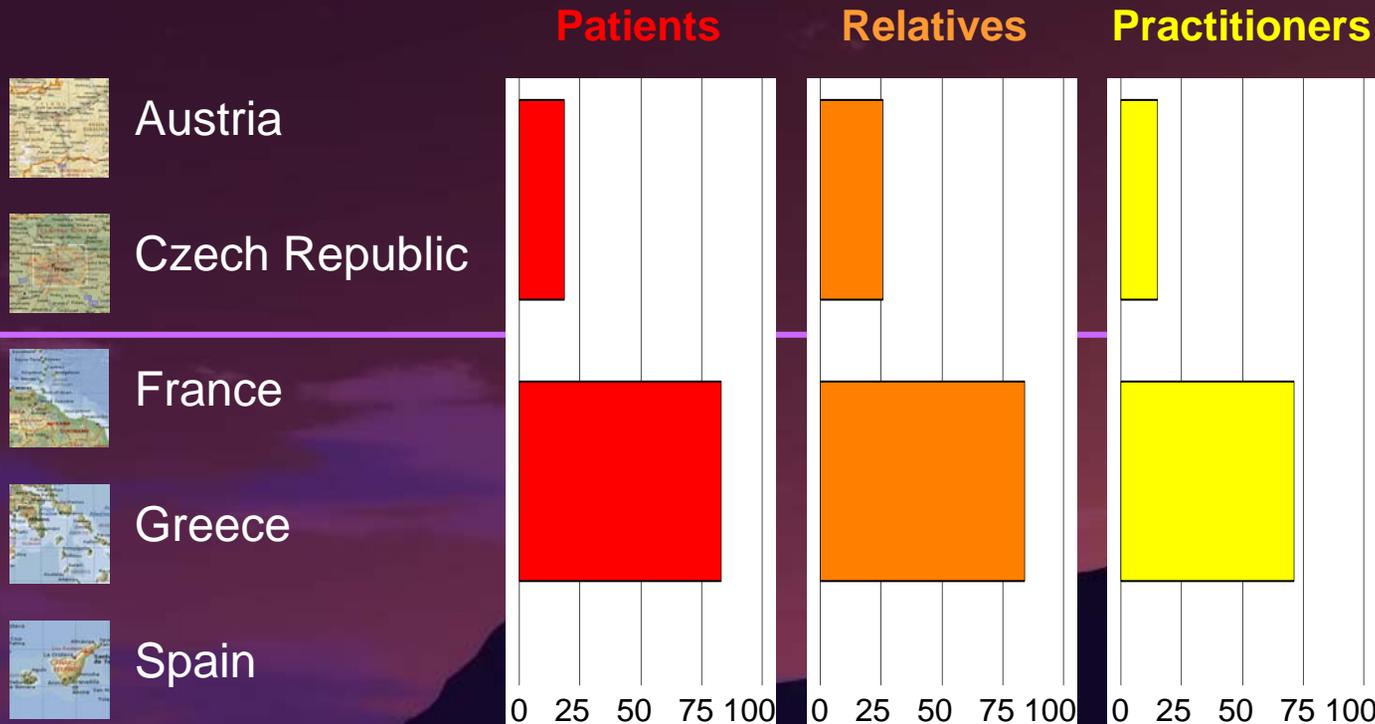
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# Would you prefer to use telecommunication technologies for psychiatric assessment / diagnosis?

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