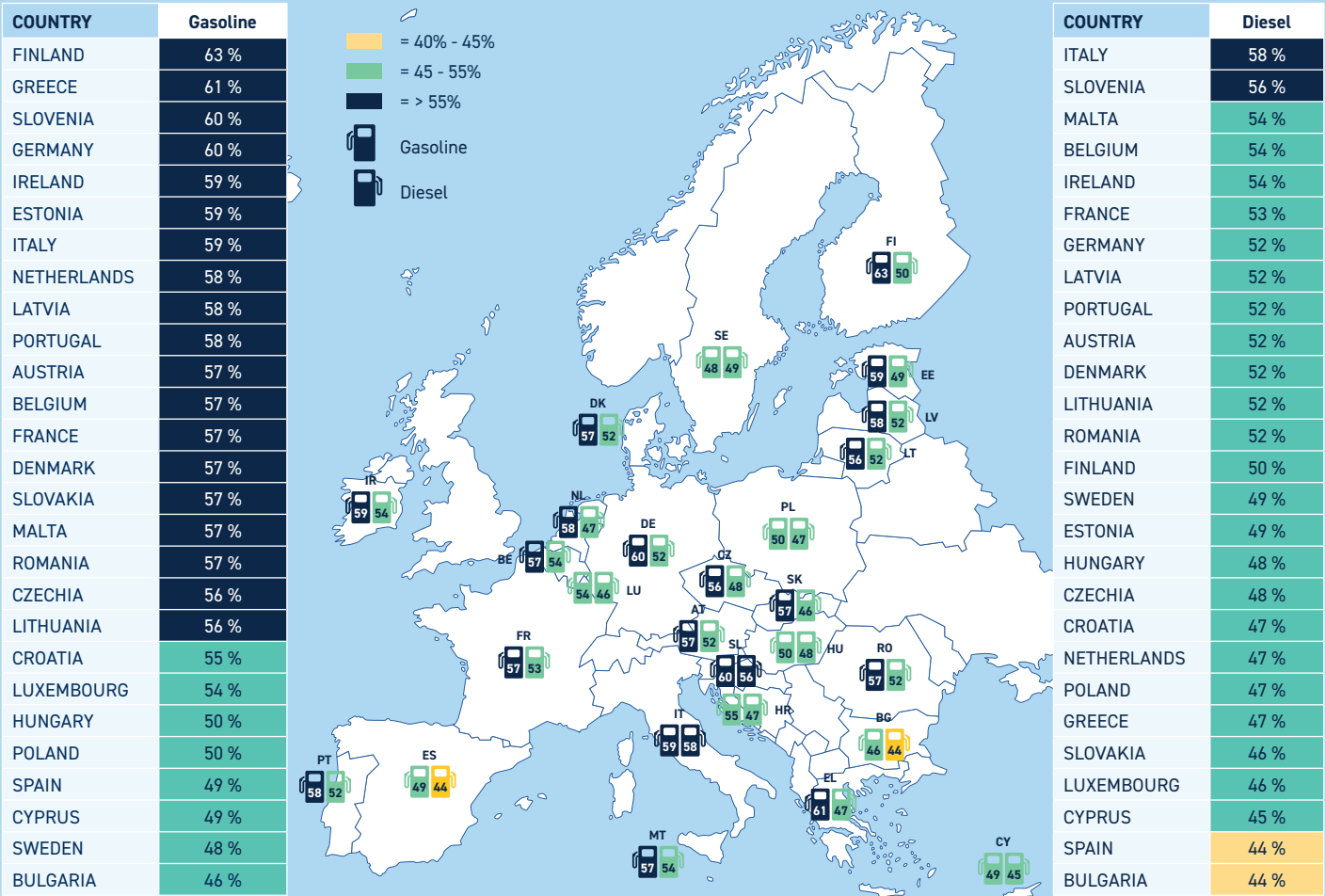


FIGURE
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TOTAL TAXATION SHARE IN THE END CONSUMER PRICE
IN THE EU-27 (FEBRUARY 2026)

Source: European Commission



The price at the pump is driven to a large degree by tariffs and taxes which contribute substantially to Member States' revenues. On average, around half of the cost of fuel at the pump represents taxes. After the extreme rise in fuel prices due to the Russian aggression in Ukraine and subsequent tax cuts decided by Member States in 2021, taxation level grew again. In parallel, fuel

prices have been increasingly affected by geopolitical developments, including the prolonged impact of the war in Ukraine, changes in global supply patterns, and instability in key energy transit routes, contributing to higher volatility in fuel markets.