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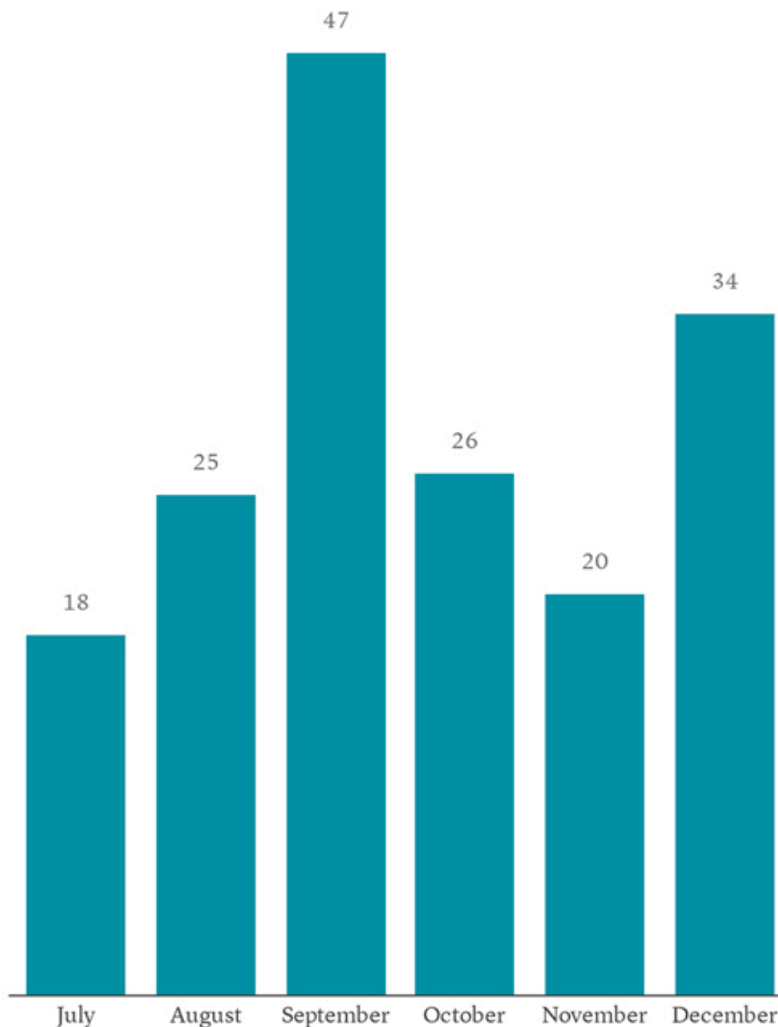
Armed drones on the European press, six months of research (from July to December 2019)

In the second six months of 2019 Internazionale and VoxEurop produced six press reviews for the European Forum on Armed Drones (Efad), monitoring how the topic of armed drones is developed and observed on the European press. This report is based on the articles published by the main European newspapers. We used both quantitative and qualitative analysis.

Quantitative analysis

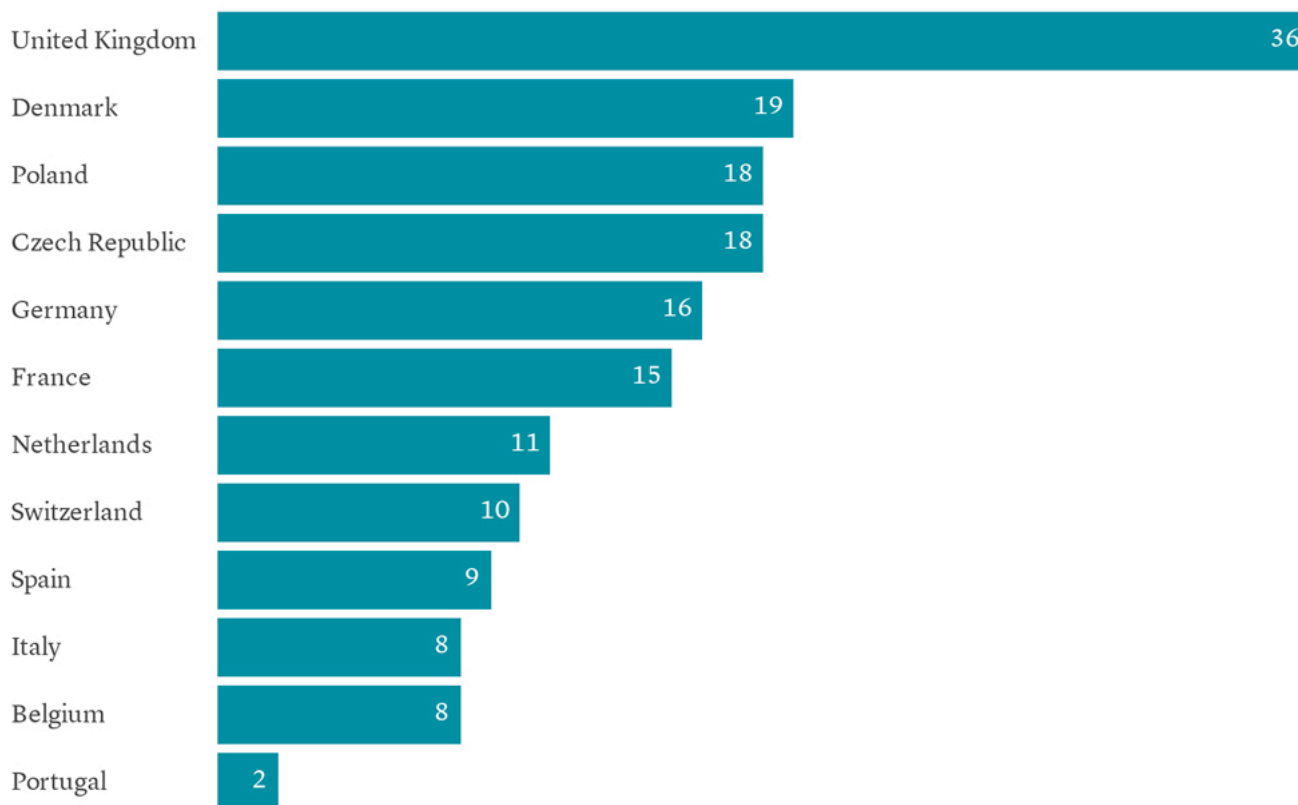
From July 1st to December 31st 2019 the main European newspapers published **170 articles** on the topic of armed drones.

Total number of articles, by months



The report is based on the articles published by the main newspapers of **12 European countries**: Belgium, Czech republic, Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, Poland, Portugal, Spain, Switzerland, The Netherlands and United Kingdom.

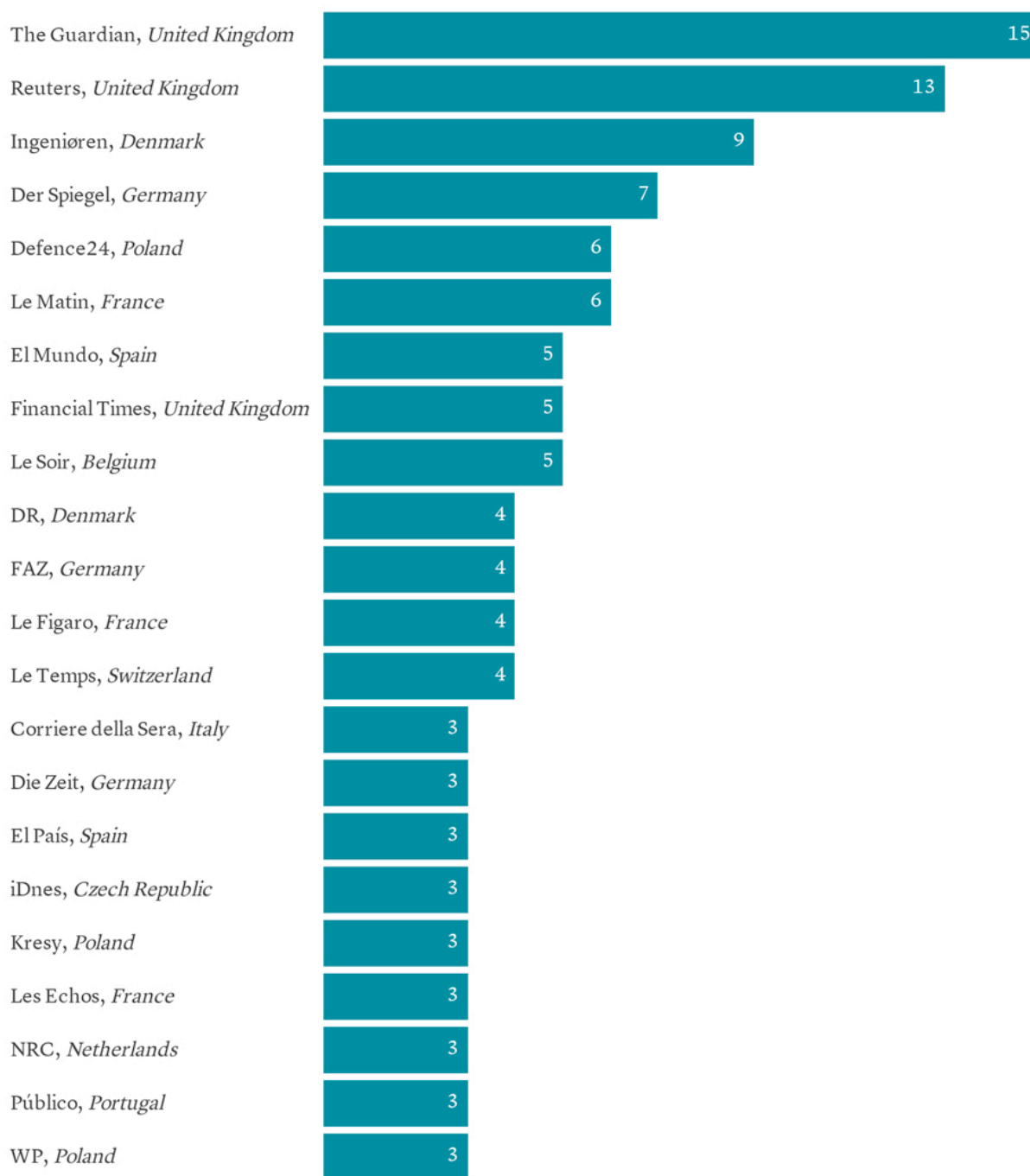
Source of the articles, by country



We selected the most relevant articles, based on contents and sources. **United Kingdom, Denmark, Poland** and **Czech Republic** are the countries where the topic is viewed with more urgency. The British newspaper **The Guardian** is the media outlet that published more articles on armed drones.

The most frequent authors are the Ingeniøren (Denmark) journalist **Andreas Lindqvist** with five articles and the The Guardian (United Kingdom) journalist **Dan Sabbagh** with three articles about this topic in the last six months.

Main sources of the articles, by media outlet

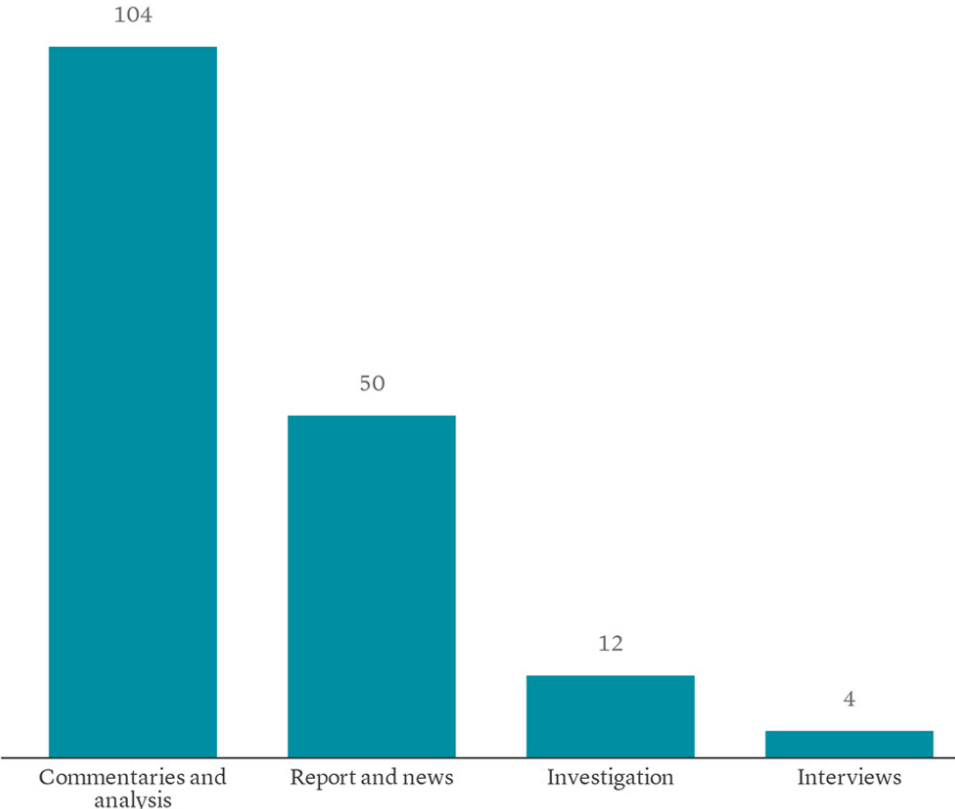


The other media outlets published 1 or 2 articles on armed drones

Qualitative analysis

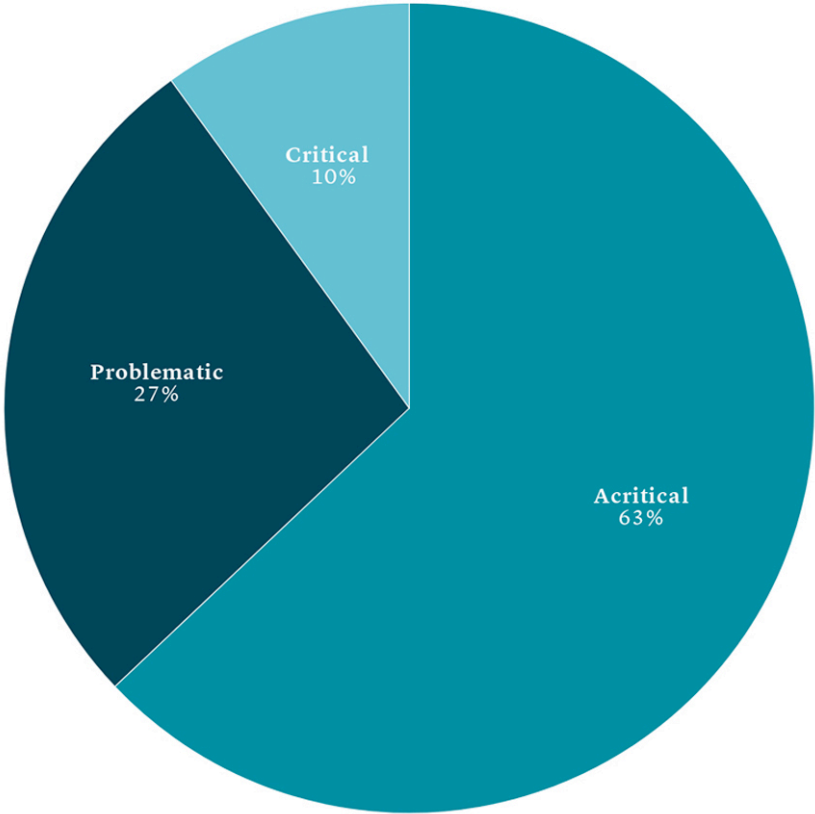
The selected articles include news and reports, commentaries and analysis, investigations and interviews. **107 articles** reported the news with an acritical approach. **46 articles** had a problematic approach, asking questions without suggesting solutions. **17 articles** was critical.

Journalism genres



Approach to the topic

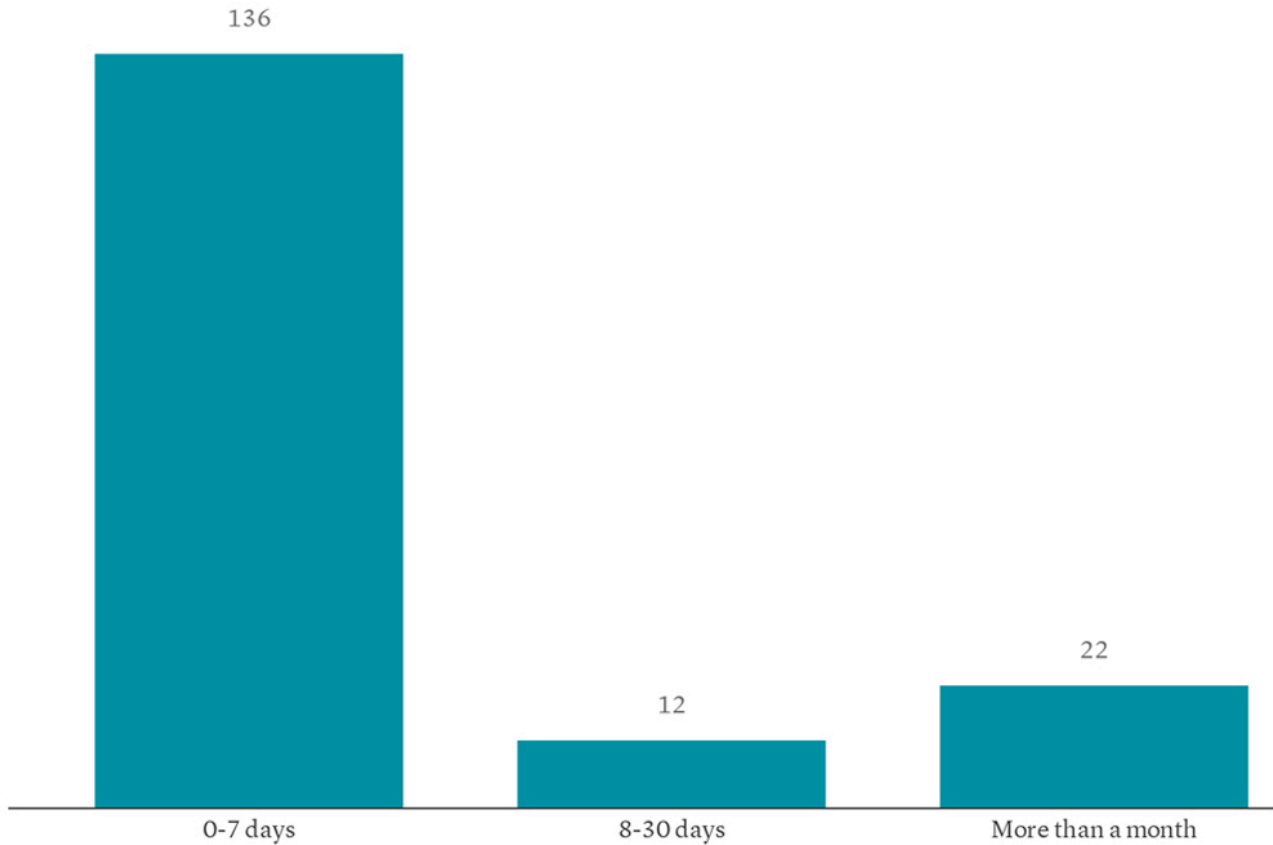
■ Acritical ■ Problematic ■ Critical



We also analyzed the **topicality** of the articles. The goal is to understand if the news on armed drones are covered promptly. In general the reports are published within **seven days** after the event occurred or the first news is published.

Topicality of the news

Period of time between the event and the publication of the report



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