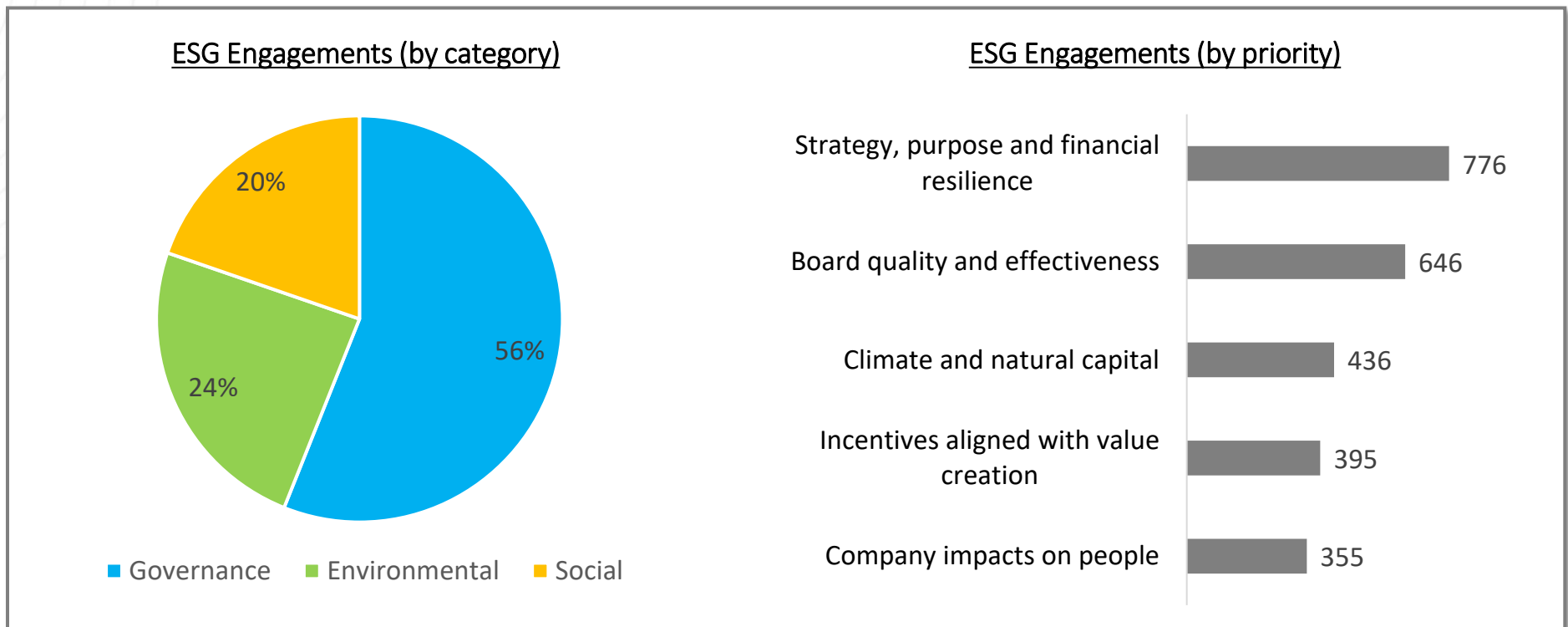


BlackRock Investment Stewardship (BIS), which conducts engagement and voting activities for BlackRock, released its quarterly stewardship report for Q1 2023 at the end of June. BlackRock’s stewardship activities are of significant interest to companies, given the firm’s custody of more than **\$9 trillion in AUM** as of the end of the first quarter of 2023¹.

Engagement Overview

BIS conducted **1,068** engagements in Q1 2023, with **943** unique companies. The breakdown of its engagements in Q1 2023 is provided in Fig 1 below. As shown in Fig. 1, governance topics still make up the majority of Blackrock engagements with issuers, with environmental engagements being slightly more common than social for Q1.

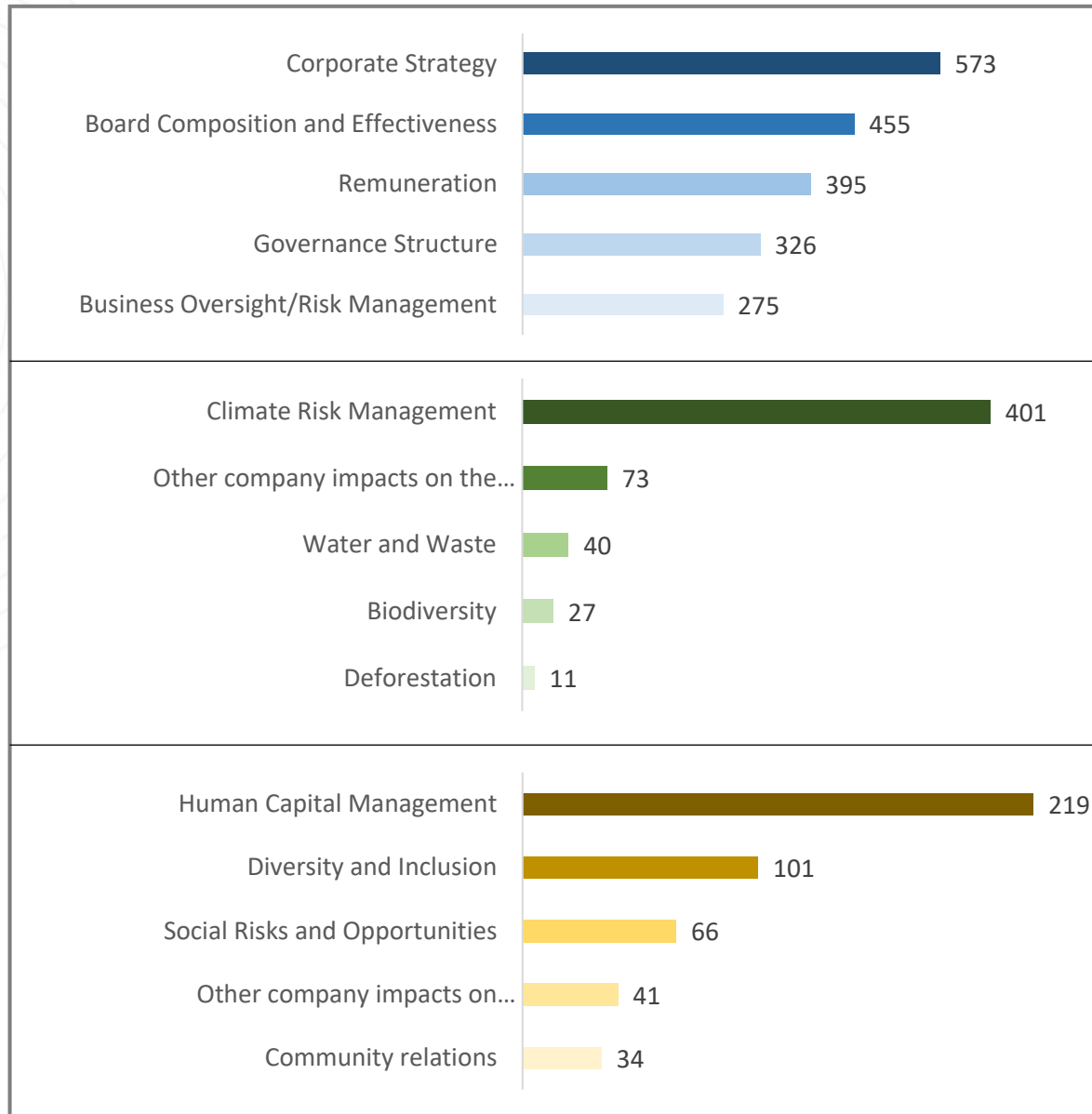
Fig. 1: Q1 2023 Engagements (by theme)²



1 <https://www.pionline.com/money-management/blackrock-posts-aum-909-trillion-first-quarter-down-5-last-year>

2 Reference: [By the numbers Q1 2023](#), Fig. 1 from Pg. 5

Fig. 2: Q1 2023 Top 5 Engagements (by sub-theme)³



For 2023, BIS disclosed its top 5 engagement priorities along with 14 new engagement sub-themes ([Global Engagement Summary report](#)). The top 5 engagement sub-themes for Q1 2023 are shown in Fig. 2.

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