

2022 WESTERN BALKANS REGIONAL SURVEY

January-February 2022



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Detailed Methodology

- The survey was conducted on behalf of the International Republican Institute's [Center for Insights in Survey Research](#) by Ipsos Strategic Marketing.
- Data was collected between December 30, 2021, and February 20, 2022, through CAPI administered face-to-face interviews in respondents' homes. Further details on fieldwork period, margin of error, and response rate are listed on the following slide.
- The sample consisted of n=1501 adults (Bosnia and Herzegovina), n=1520 adults (Kosovo), n=1479 adults (North Macedonia), n=1008 adults (Montenegro) and n=1504 adults (Serbia). Inhabitants of poorly accessible areas were excluded. The share of excluded inhabitants is as follows: 0.3% for Bosnia and Herzegovina, 0.2% for Kosovo, 0.8% for North Macedonia, 1.4% for Montenegro and 0.6% for Serbia.
- Margins of error for each country are: ± 2.9 points for Bosnia and Herzegovina, ± 2.9 points for Kosovo, ± 2.9 points for North Macedonia, ± 3.5 points for Montenegro and ± 2.9 points for Serbia.
- A multi-stage probability sampling method was used to design a nationally representative sample. The sample was stratified by region and by urban/rural residency, followed by random selection of primary sampling units (PSUs) within each stratum. Households were selected by random walk in each of the PSU, and respondents were selected randomly from the list of all adults in the household. The sampling frame was based on population and housing census data and population estimates.
- The samples were weighted by age, gender, and educational attainment based on figures from the latest census data for each country.
- Charts and graphs may not add up to 100 percent due to rounding.

Fieldwork dates

Country	Fieldwork Dates	Response Rate	Margin of Error
Bosnia and Herzegovina	December 30 th , 2021 - February 16 th , 2022	39%	±2.9
Kosovo	January 17 th - February 20 th , 2022	39%	±2.9
Montenegro	January 3 rd - February 10 th , 2022	35%	±3.5
North Macedonia	January 17 th - February 18 th , 2022	34%	±2.9
Serbia	January 4 th - February 15 th , 2022	33%	±2.9

Frequently Cited Disaggregate Bases

Disaggregate	Category	Base
Poll 2022 - Country	Bosnia and Herzegovina	n = 1,501
	Kosovo	n = 1,520
	Montenegro	n = 1,008
	North Macedonia	n = 1,479
	Serbia	n = 1,504
Poll 2020 - Country	Bosnia and Herzegovina	n = 1,486
	Kosovo	n = 1,517
	Montenegro	n = 966
	North Macedonia	n = 1,472
	Serbia	n = 1,481

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Bosnia and Herzegovina - Entity	Federation of BIH	n = 952
	Republika Srpska	n = 549
Bosnia and Herzegovina - Ethnic Groups	Bosniak	n = 752
	Serb	n = 463
	Croat	n = 231
	Other	n = 37
Kosovo - Ethnic Groups	Albanian	n = 1,350
	Serb	n = 123

Frequently Cited Disaggregate Bases

Disaggregate	Category	Base
Montenegro - Gender	Male	n = 496
	Female	n = 512
Montenegro - Age	18-35	n = 341
	36-55	n = 381
	56+	n = 286
Montenegro - Education	Primary or less	n = 211
	Secondary	n = 641
	University or higher	n = 157
Montenegro - Ethnic Groups	Montenegrin	n = 481
	Serb	n = 291
	Albanian*	n = 41
	Muslim	n = 55
	Bosniak	n = 59

*Due to small *n*, analysis should be interpreted with caution.

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Disaggregate	Category	Base
Montenegro - Region	North	n = 287
	Center	n = 478
	South	n = 244
North Macedonia - Ethnic Groups	Macedonian	n = 932
	Albanian	n = 385
	Other*	n = 163

*Muslim, Serbian and Bosniak ethnic groups are collapsed into one category.

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Disaggregate	Category	Base
Serbia - Gender	Male	n = 718
	Female	n = 786
Serbia - Age	18-35	n = 416
	36-55	n = 523
	56+	n = 565
Serbia - Education	Primary or less	n = 374
	Secondary	n = 869
	University or higher	n = 261
Serbia - Working Status	Employed	n = 826
	Unemployed	n = 114
Serbia - Region	Belgrade	n = 356
	Vojvodina	n = 392
	Sumadija /West	n = 431
	South / East	n = 325

Previous IRI Western Balkan regional polls

Poll	Country	Fieldwork dates	Total sample size
<u>Western Balkans Regional Poll</u>	Bosnia and Herzegovina	February 7 – February 29, 2020	n = 1,486
	Kosovo	February 11 – March 4, 2020	n = 1,517
	Montenegro	February 2 – February 28, 2020	n = 966
	North Macedonia	February 15 – March 4, 2020	n = 1,472
	Serbia	February 10 - March 6, 2020	n = 1,481

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IRI's research approach integrates CISR's methodological polling best practices protocol and field partner in-depth knowledge of the local research environment. This close collaboration begins at project design, with carefully calibrated sampling and instrument development, and continues throughout the entire fieldwork cycle to ensure the collection of reliable qualitative and quantitative data.

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General Outlook

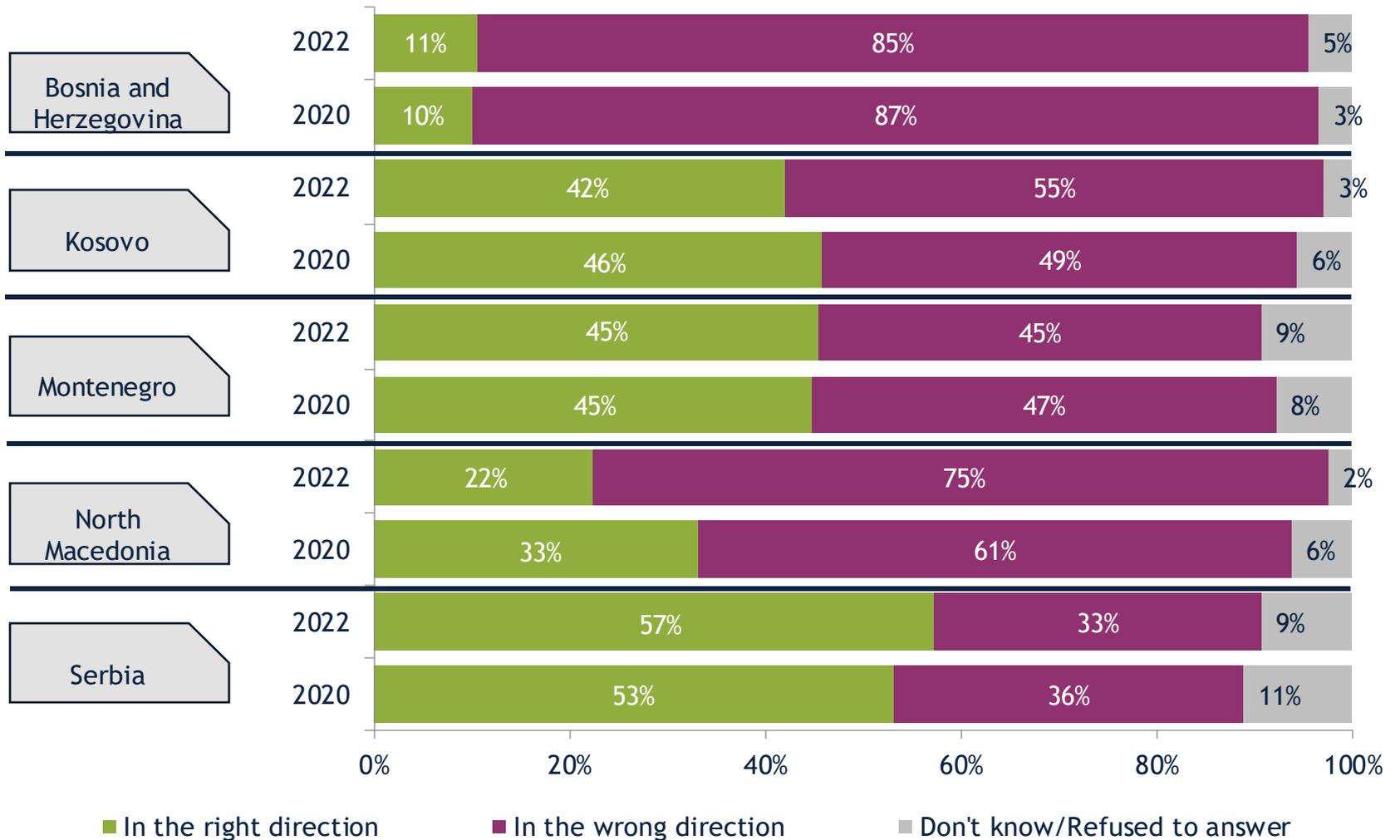


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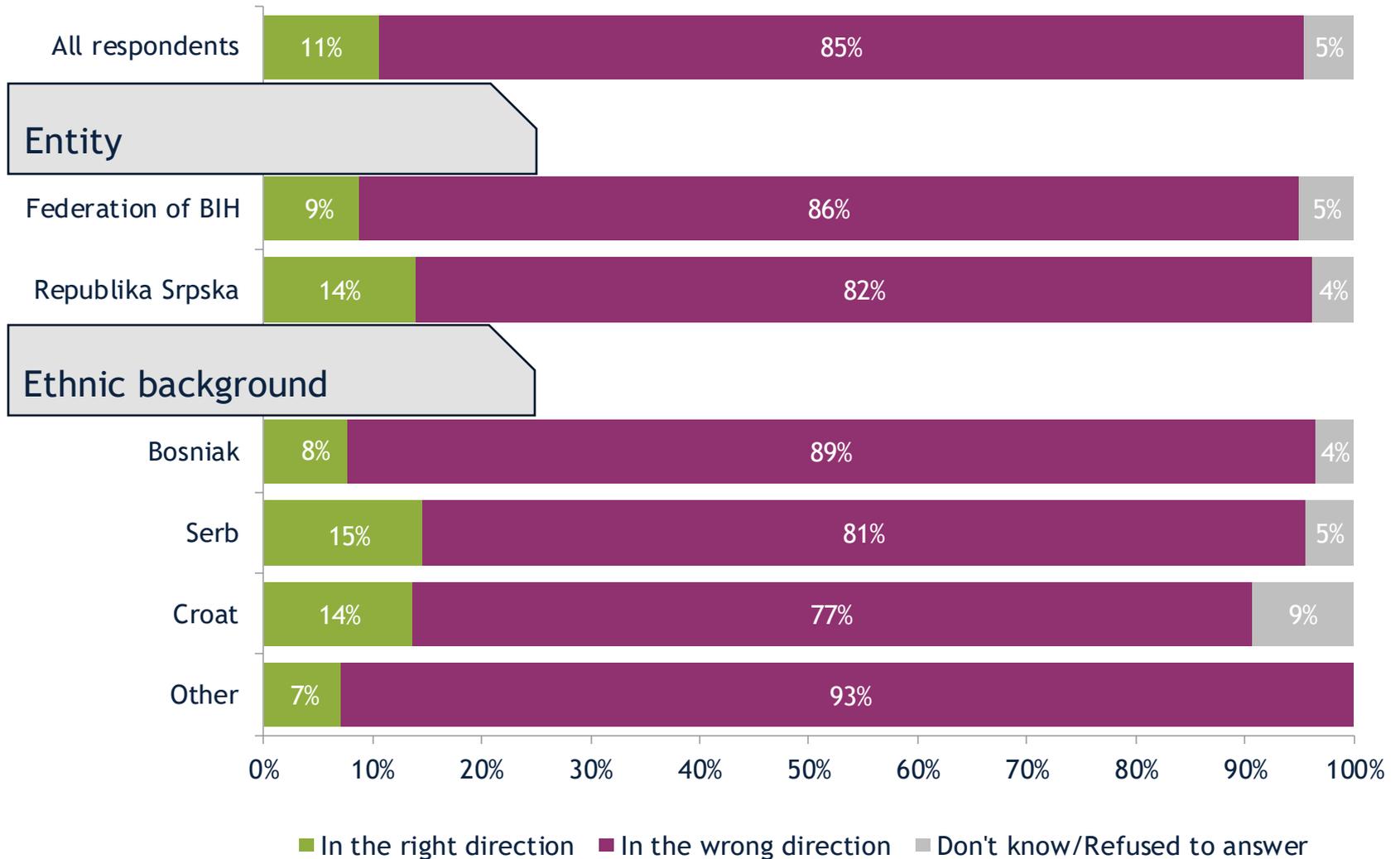
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(2022 vs 2020)



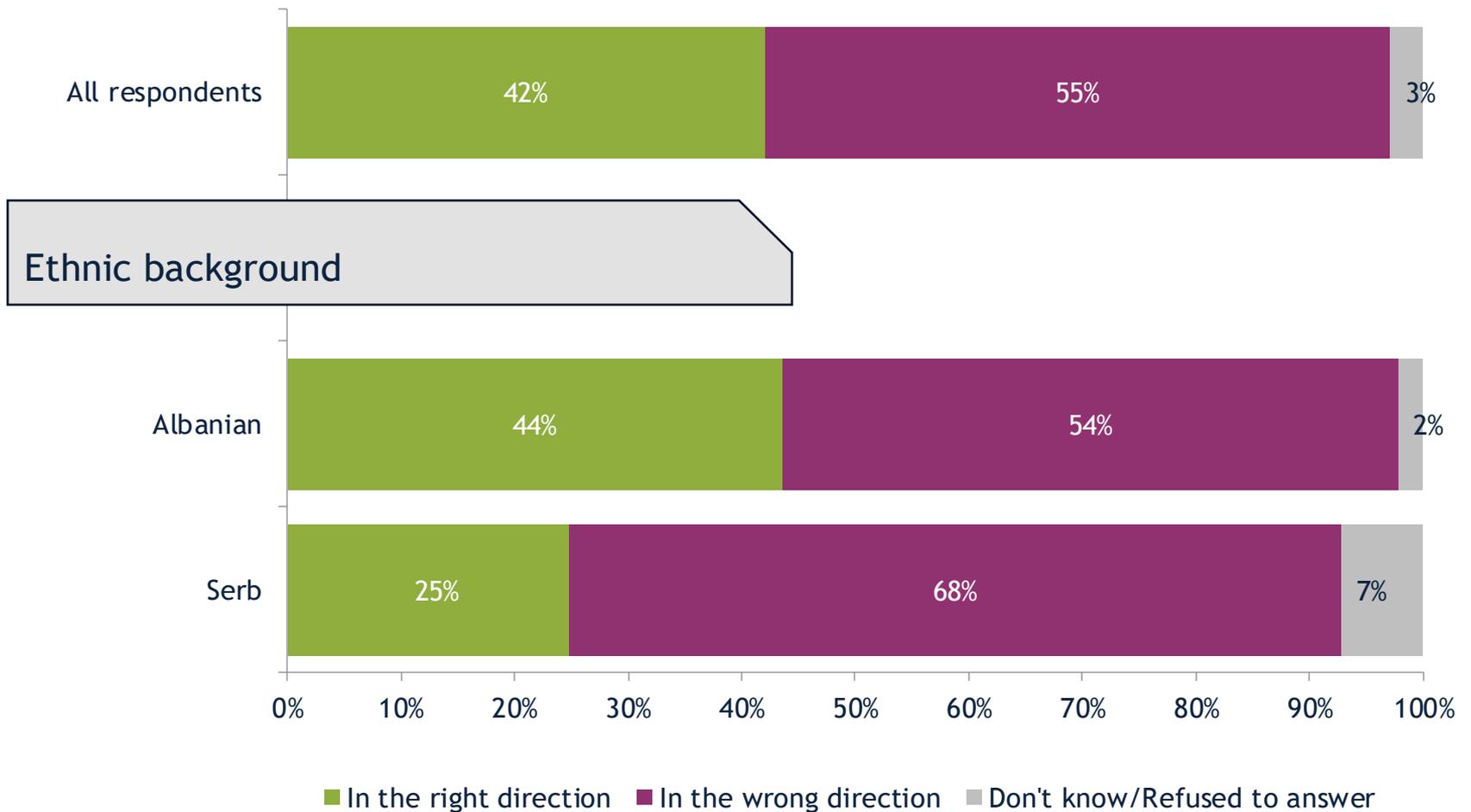
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(Bosnia and Herzegovina, by entity and ethnic background)



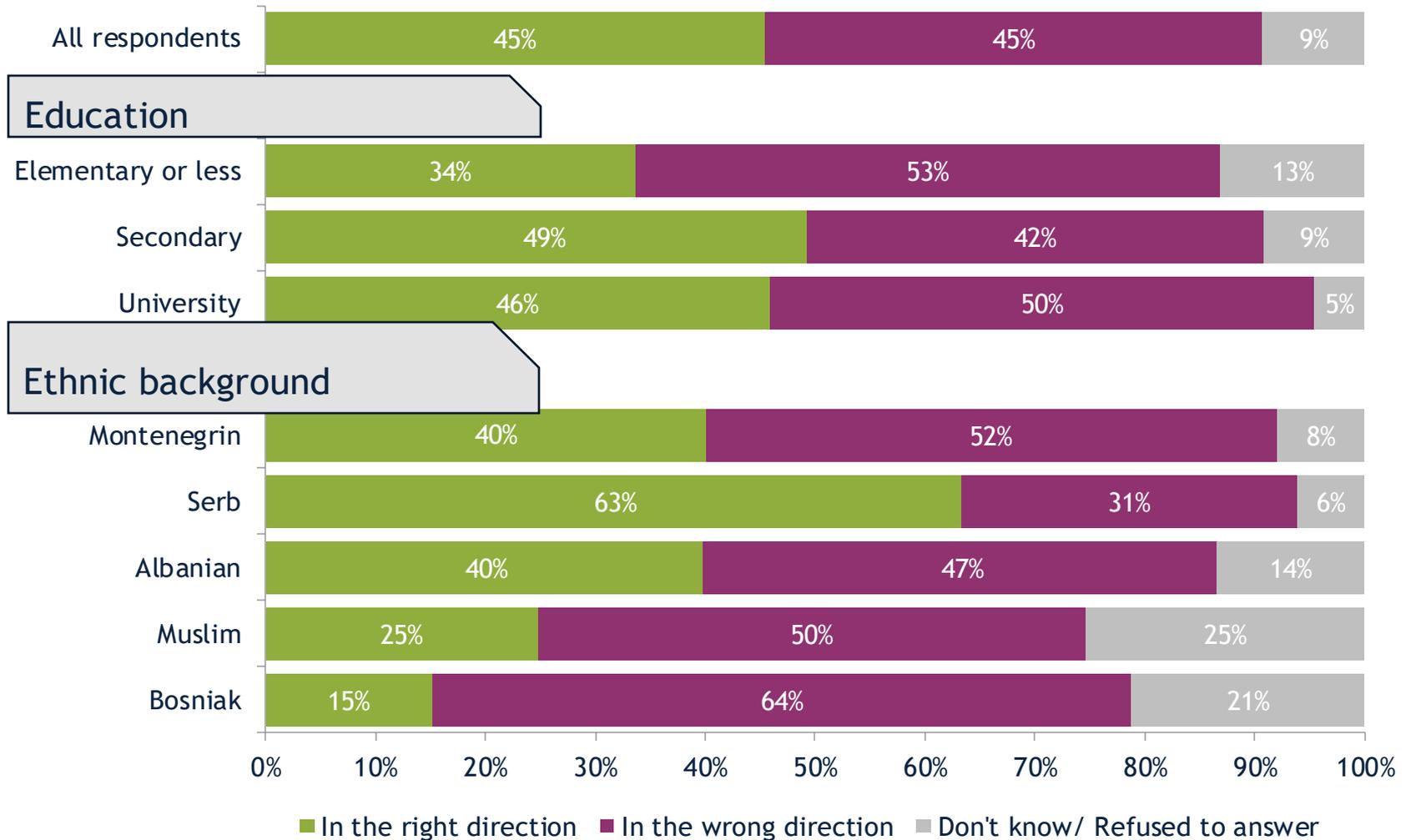
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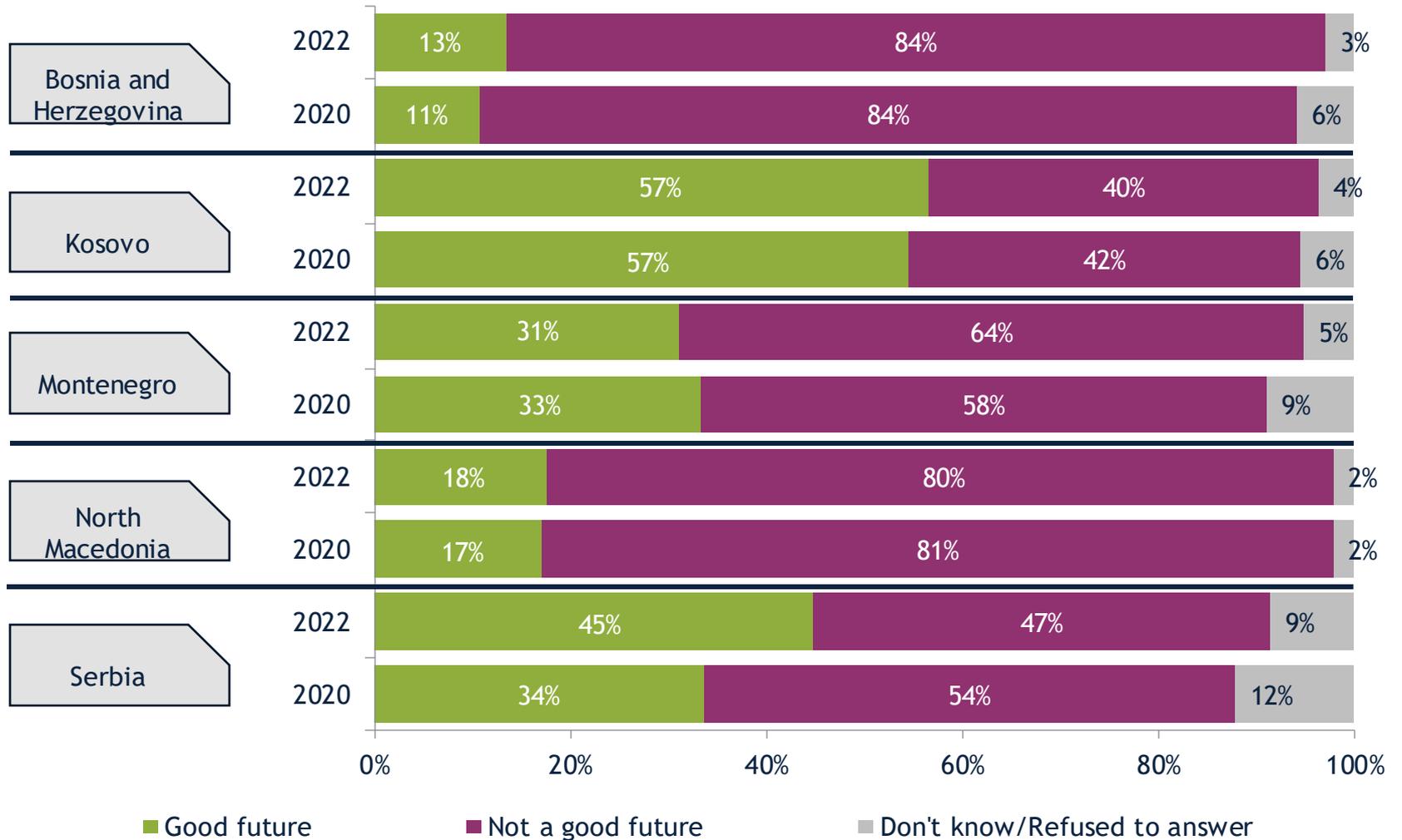
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(Montenegro, by education and ethnic background)



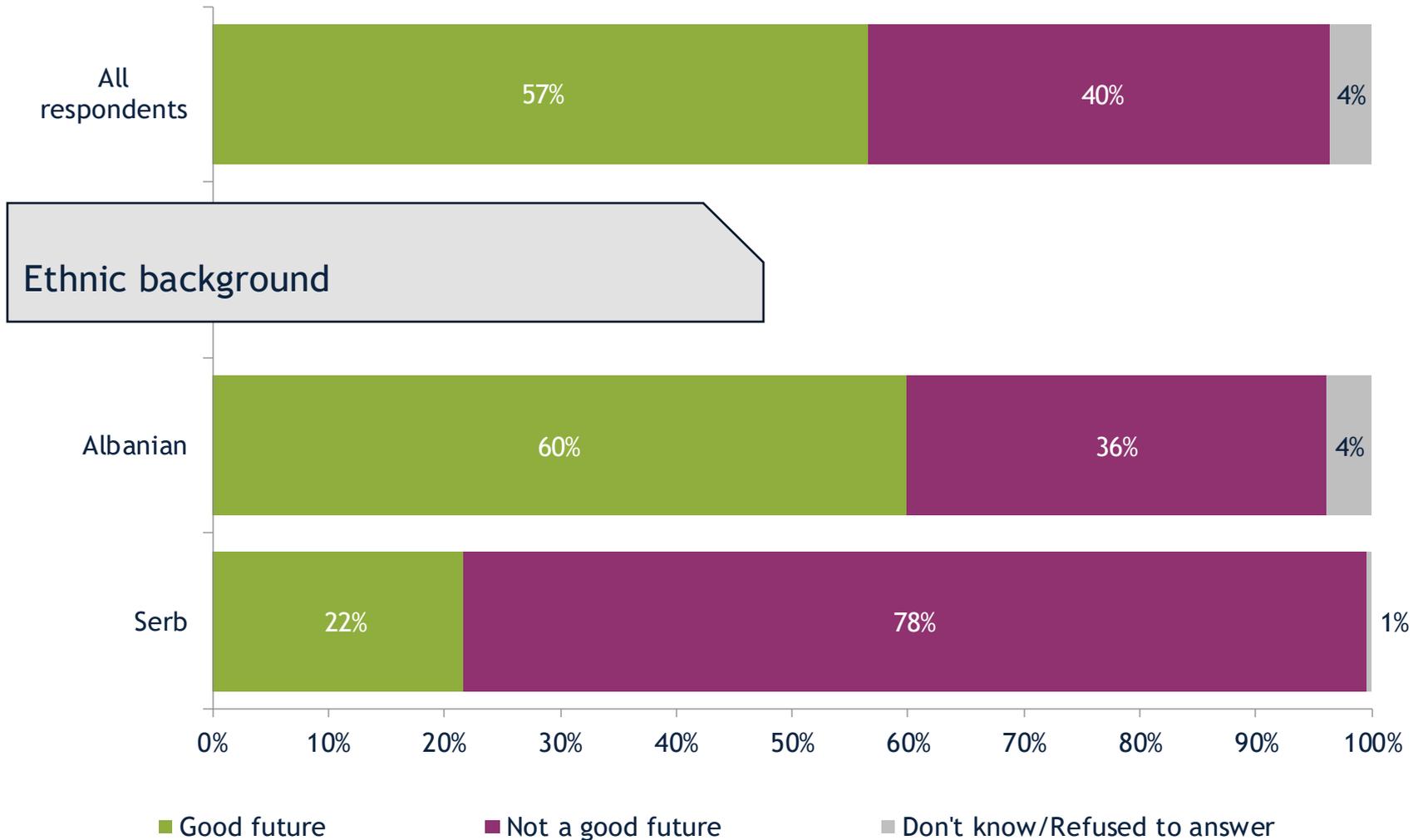
Do you think that today's generation of young people has a good future in our country or not?

(2022 vs 2020)



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(Kosovo, by ethnic background)





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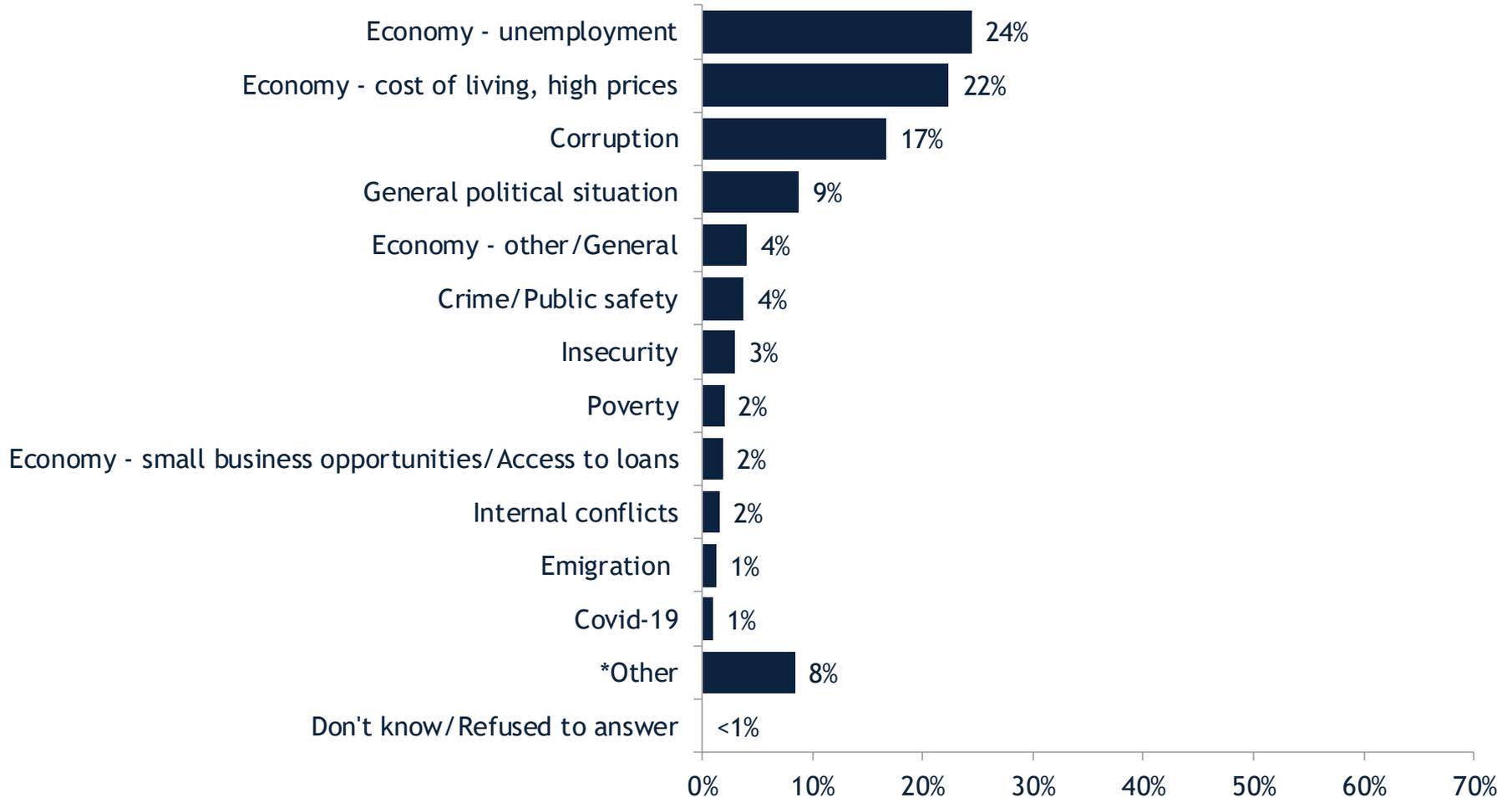
(All countries, spontaneous response, top 3 problems)

Country	First most mentioned problem	Second most mentioned problem	Third most mentioned problem
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Economy - unemployment (24%)	Economy - cost of living, high prices (22%)	Corruption (17%)
Kosovo	Economy - unemployment (46%)	Economy - cost of living, high prices (24%)	Corruption (8%)
Montenegro	Economy - unemployment (37%)	Economy - cost of living, high prices (18%)	Corruption (11%)
North Macedonia	Economy - cost of living, high prices (38%)	Economy - unemployment (23%)	Corruption (7%)
Serbia	Economy - cost of living, high prices (30%)	Economy - unemployment (11%)	Corruption (10%)



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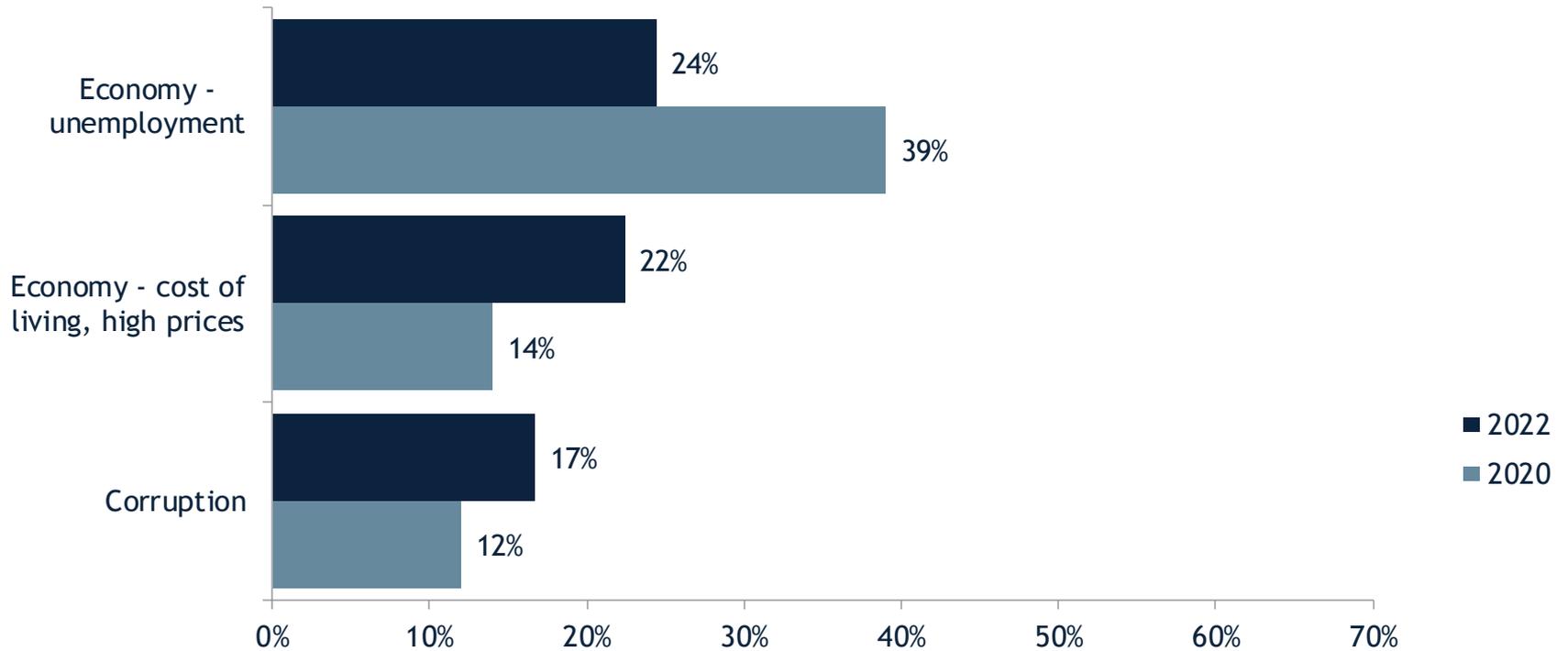
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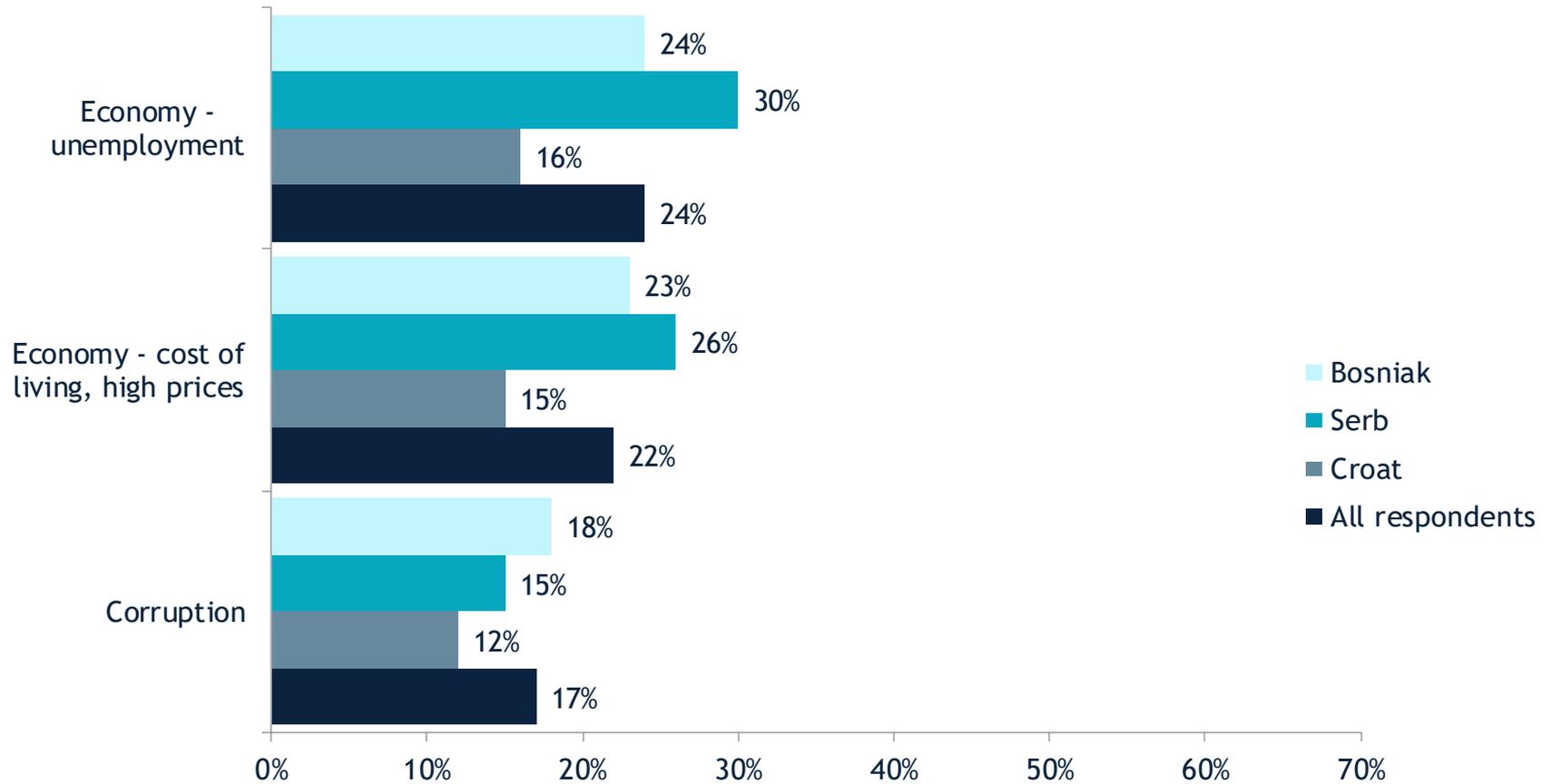
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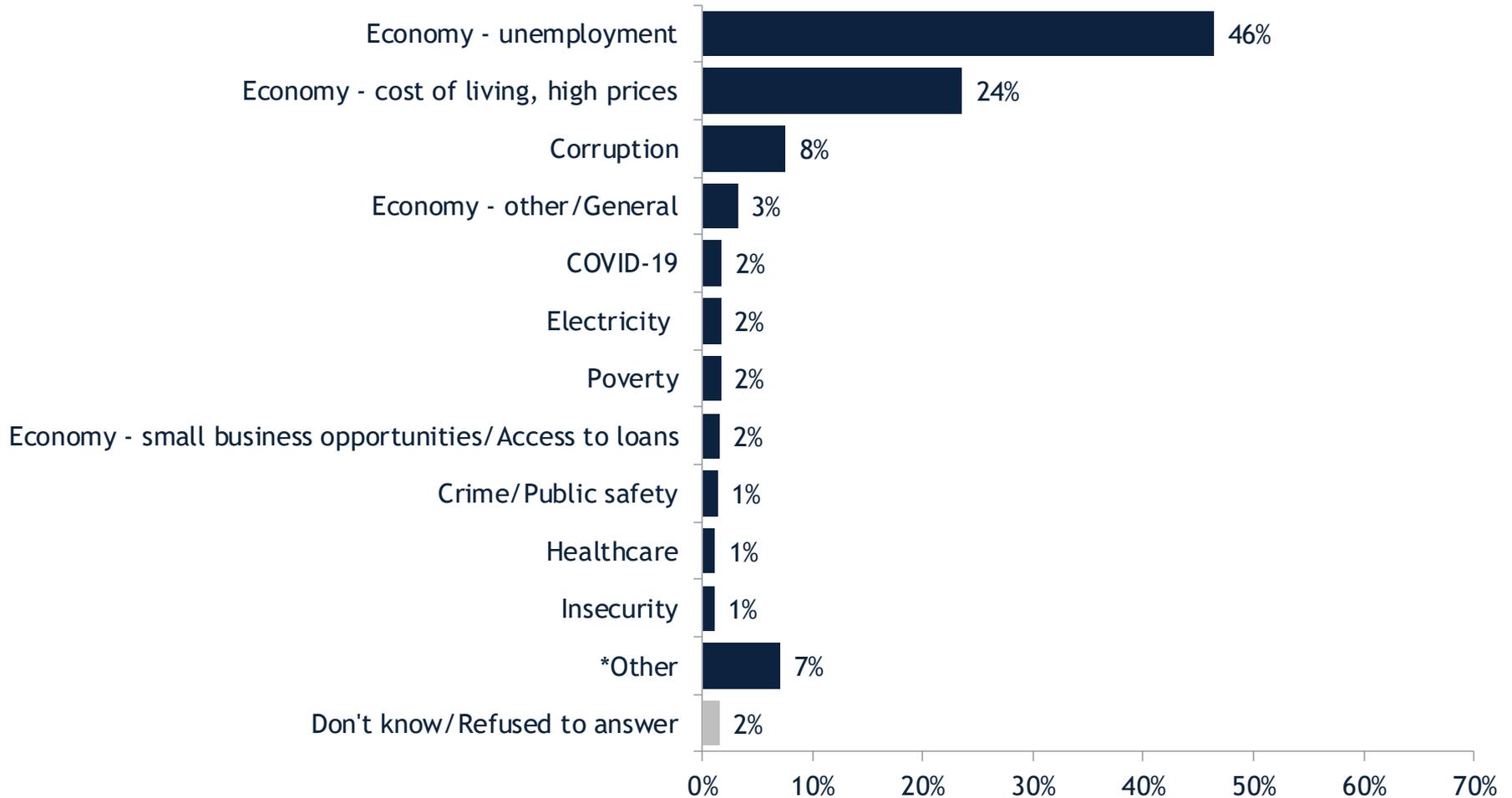
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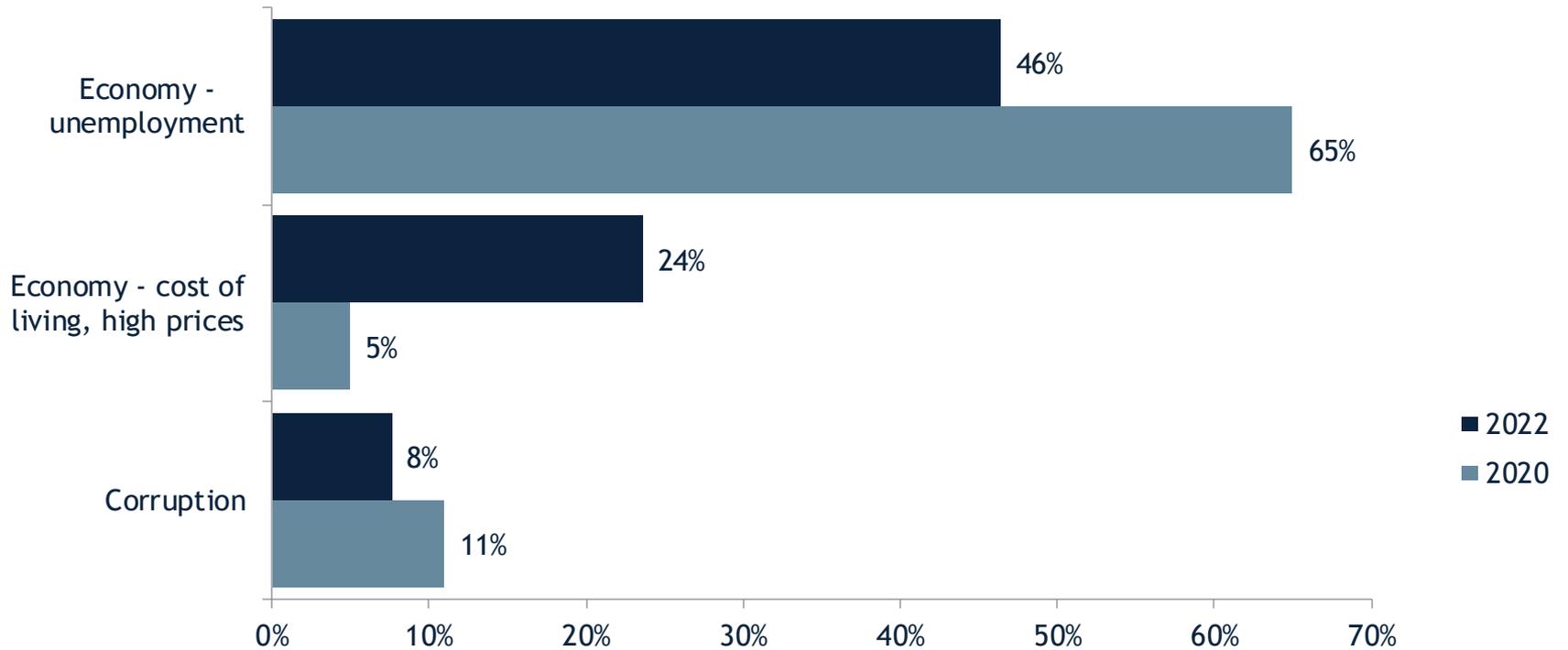


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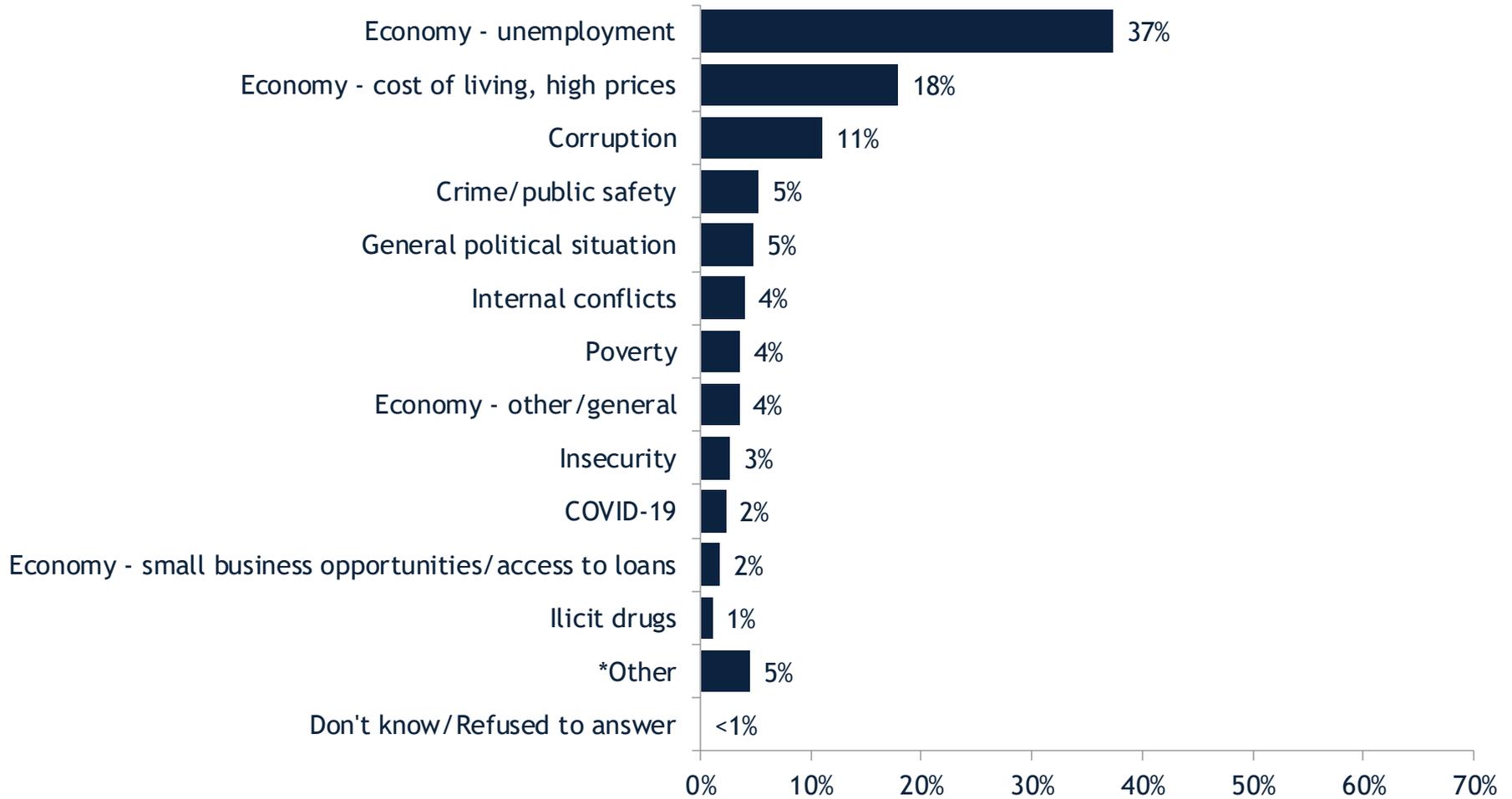
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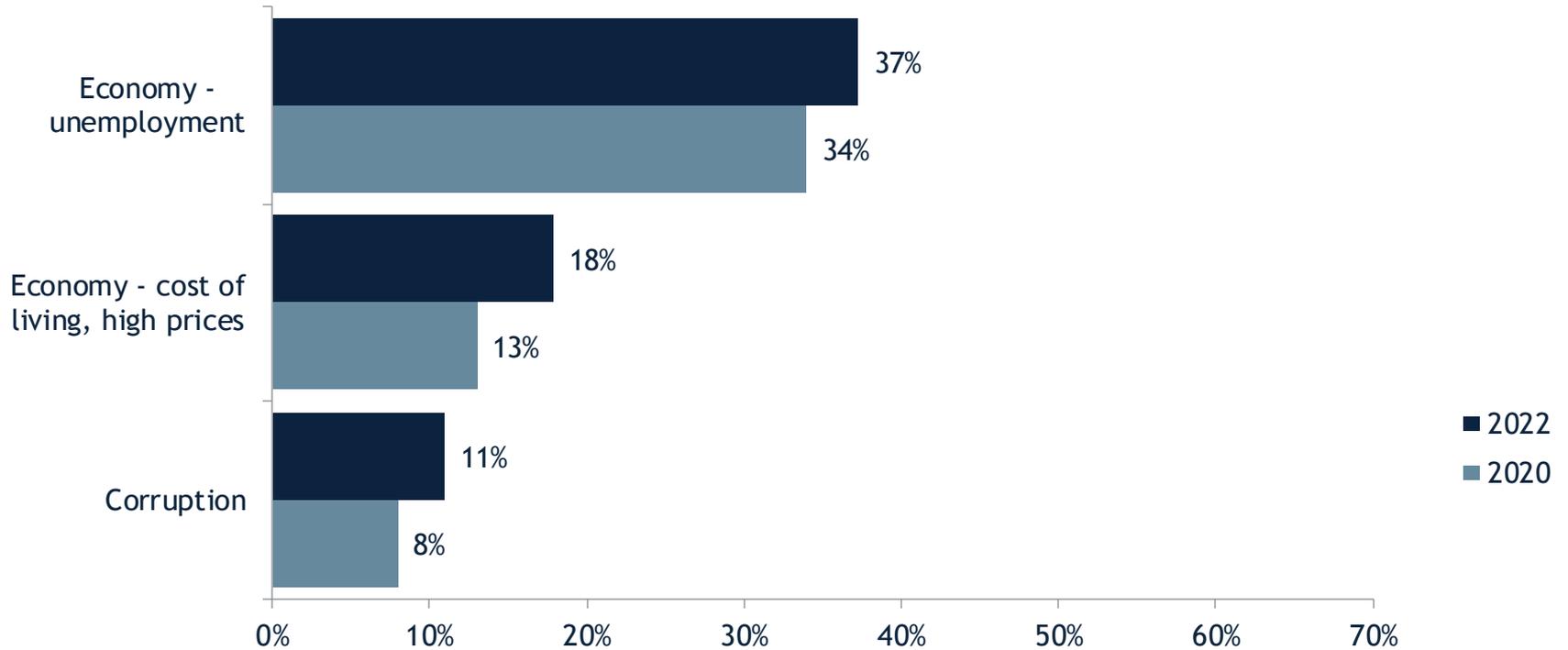
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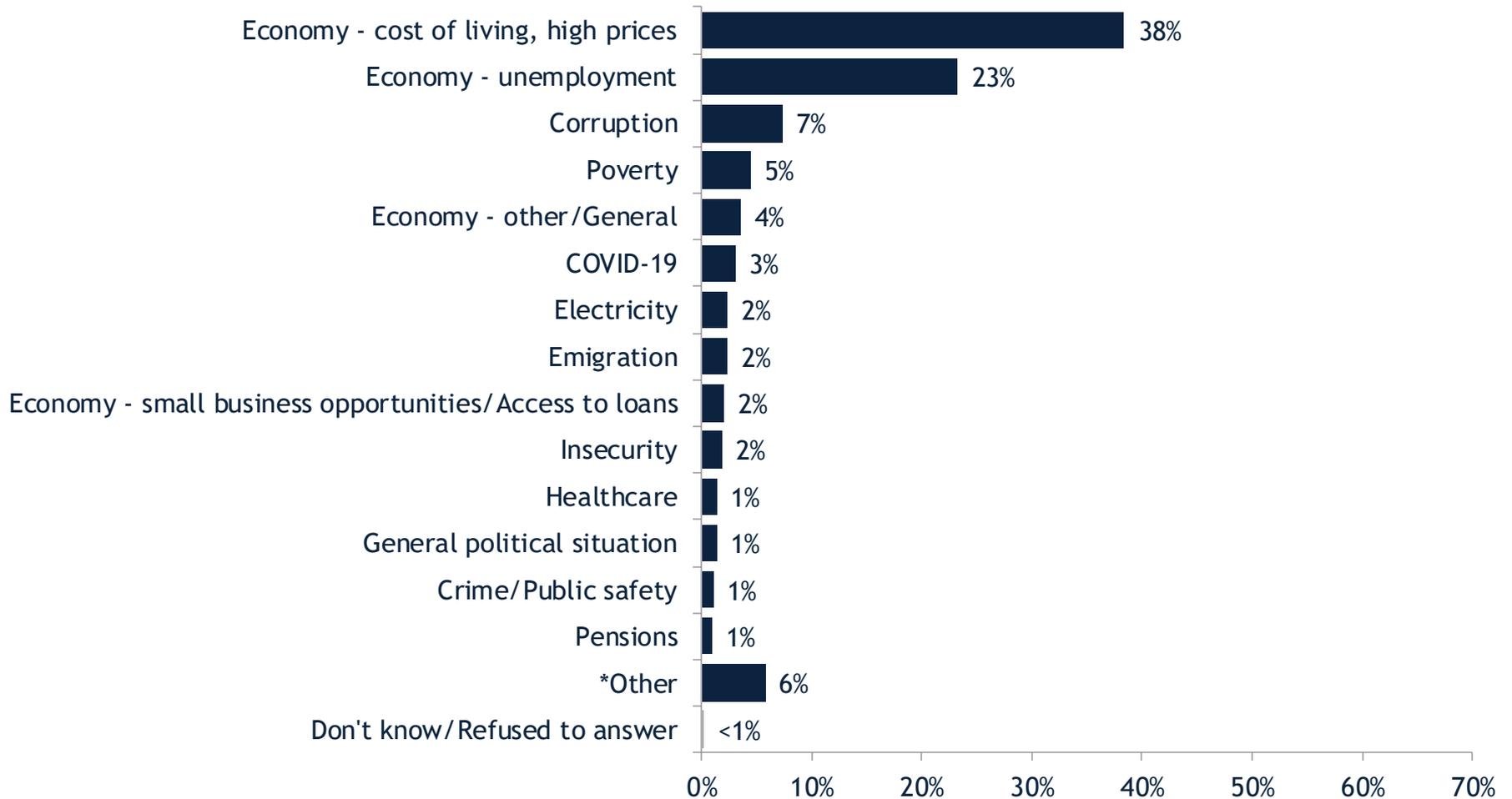
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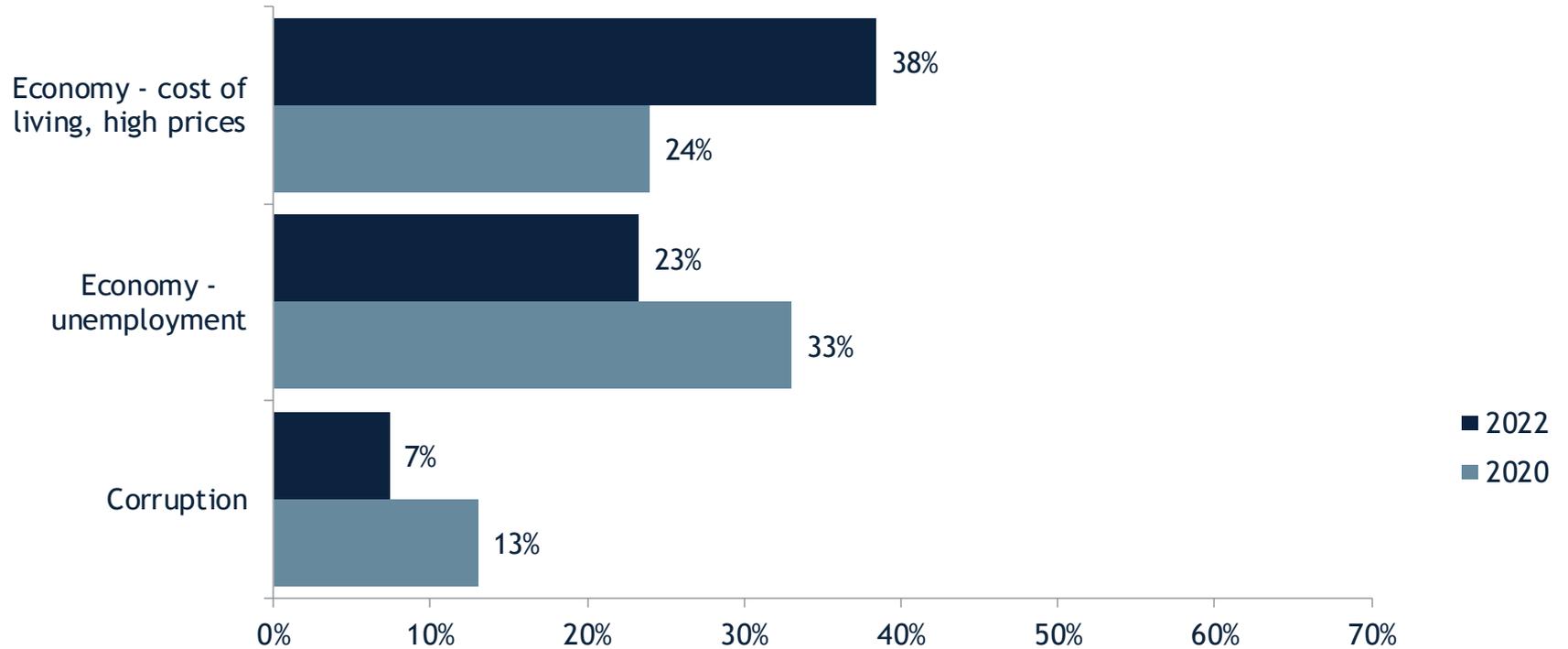


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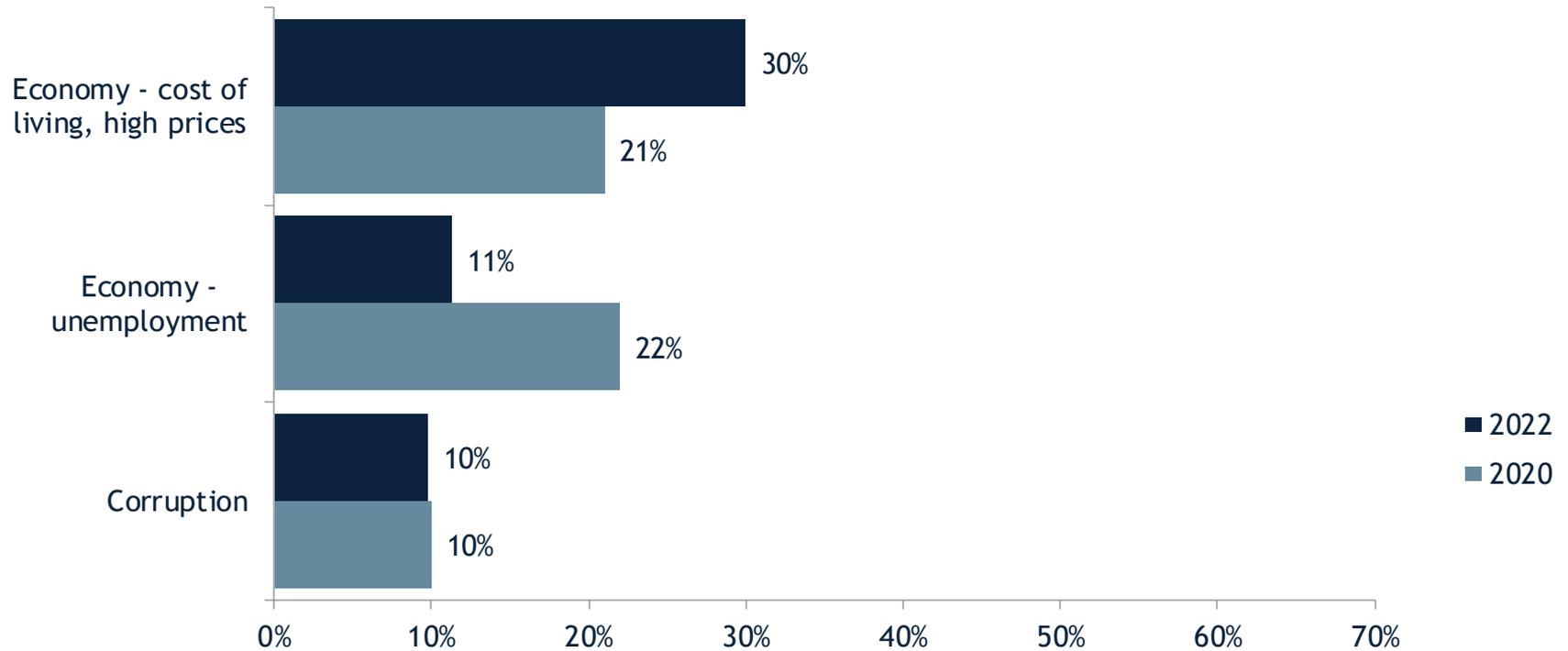
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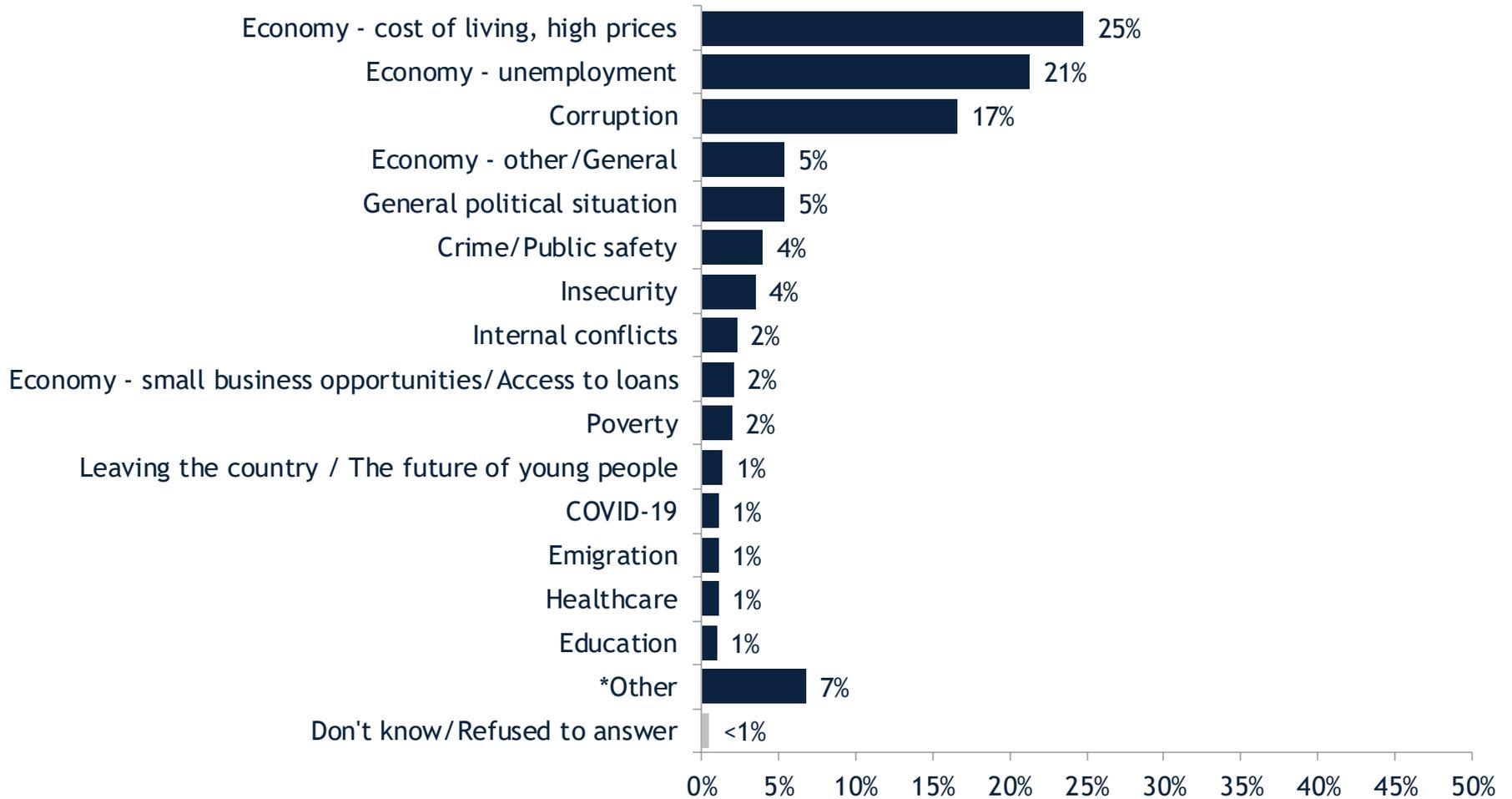
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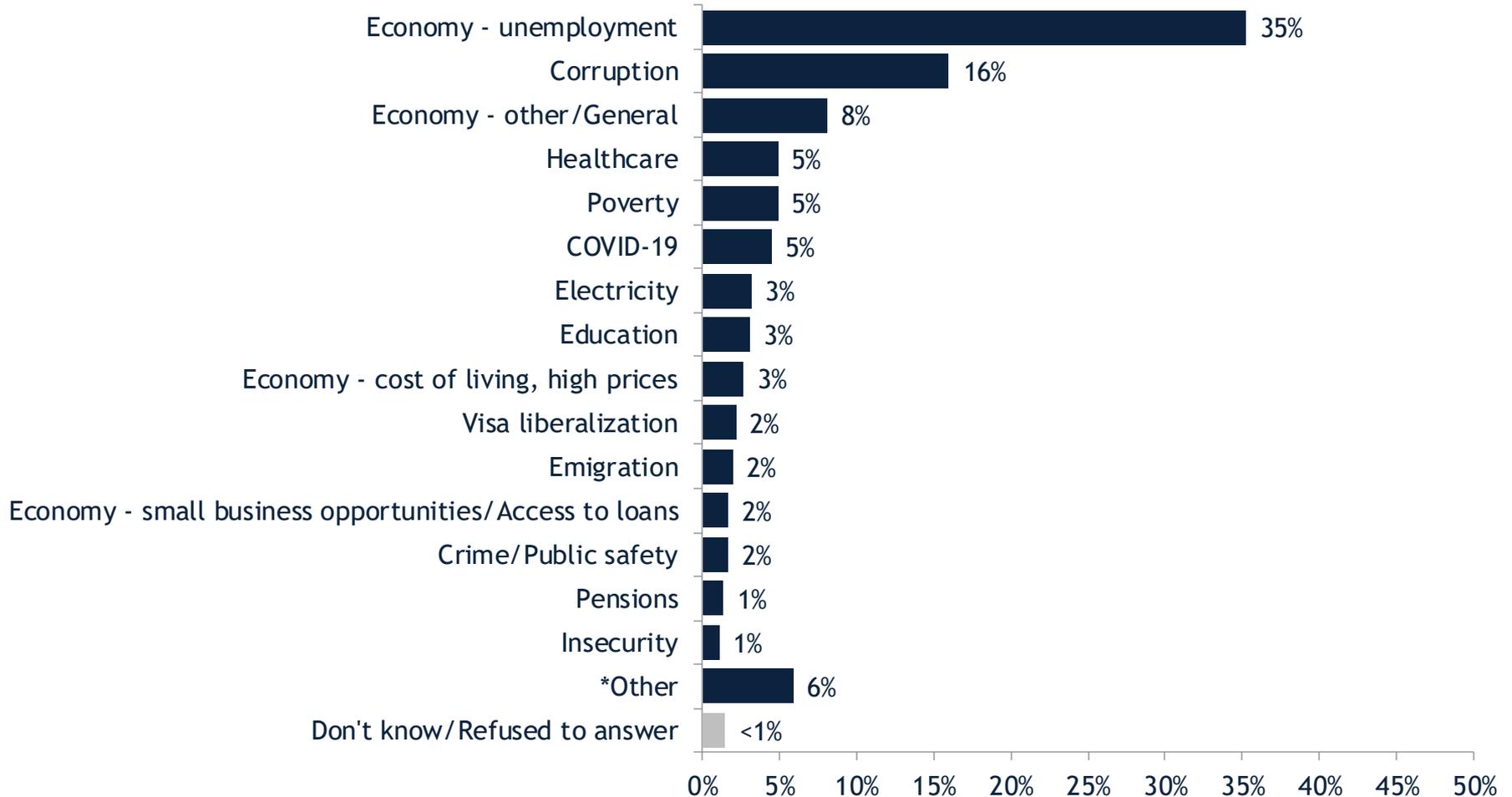
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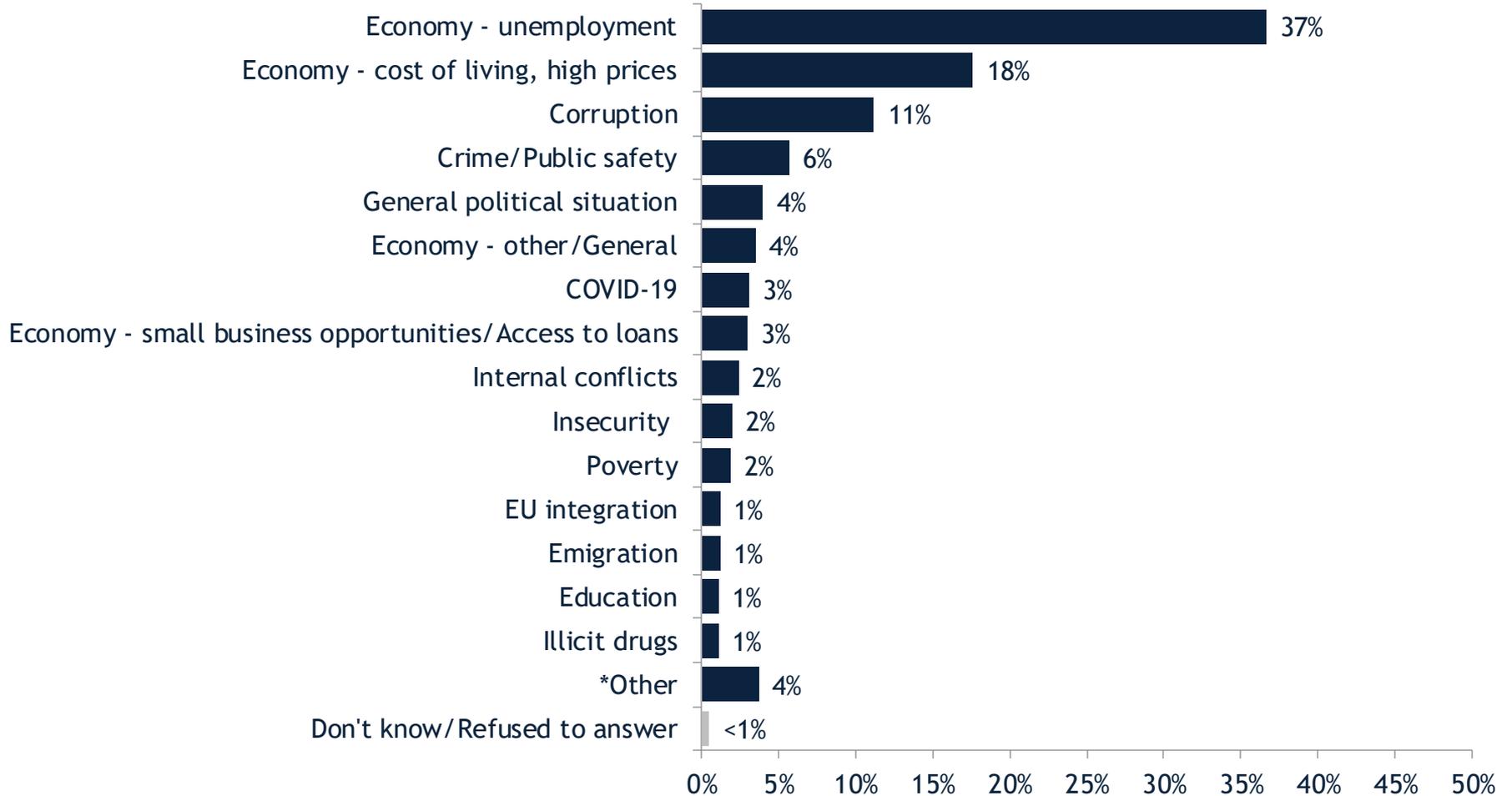
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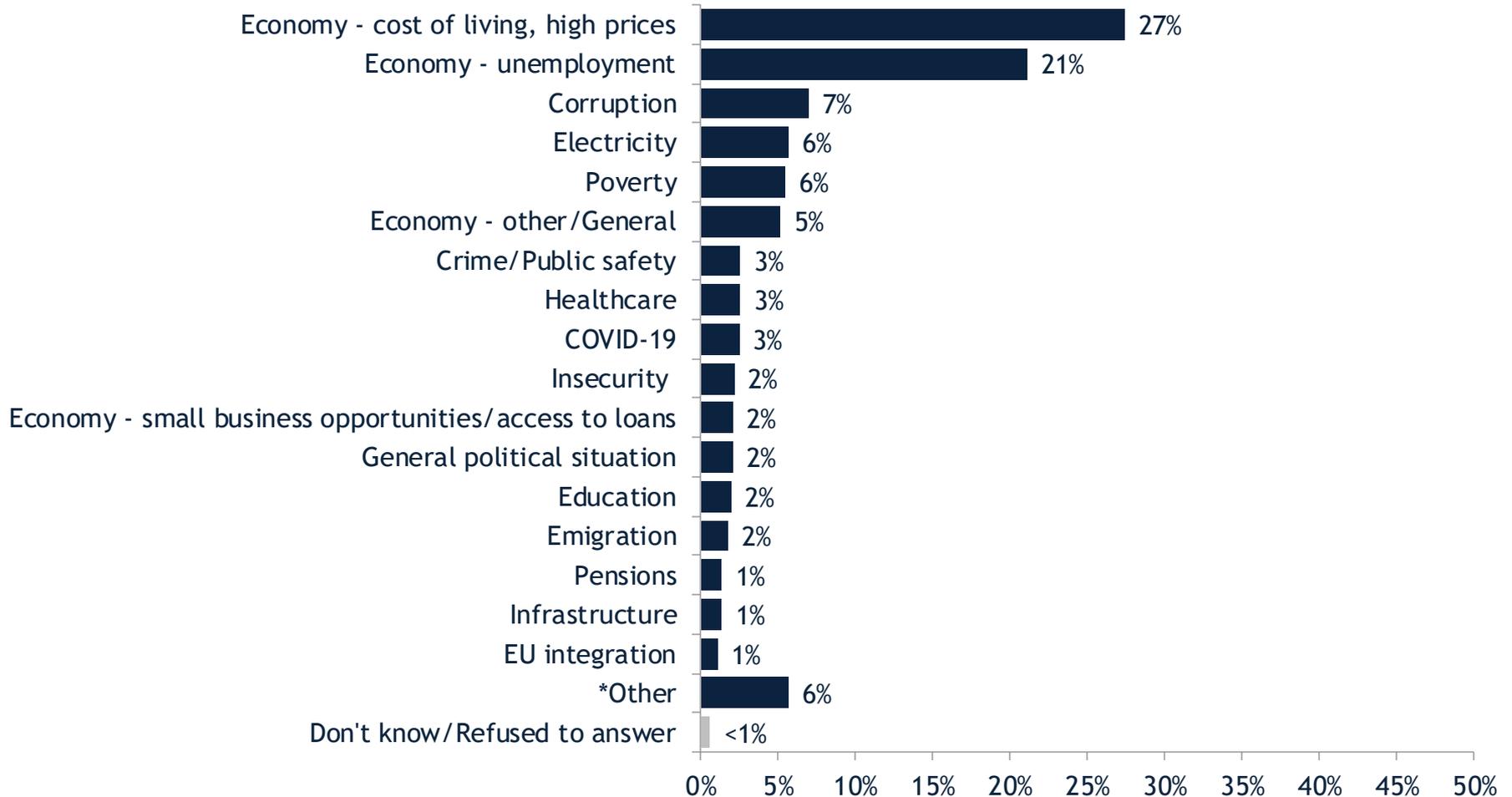


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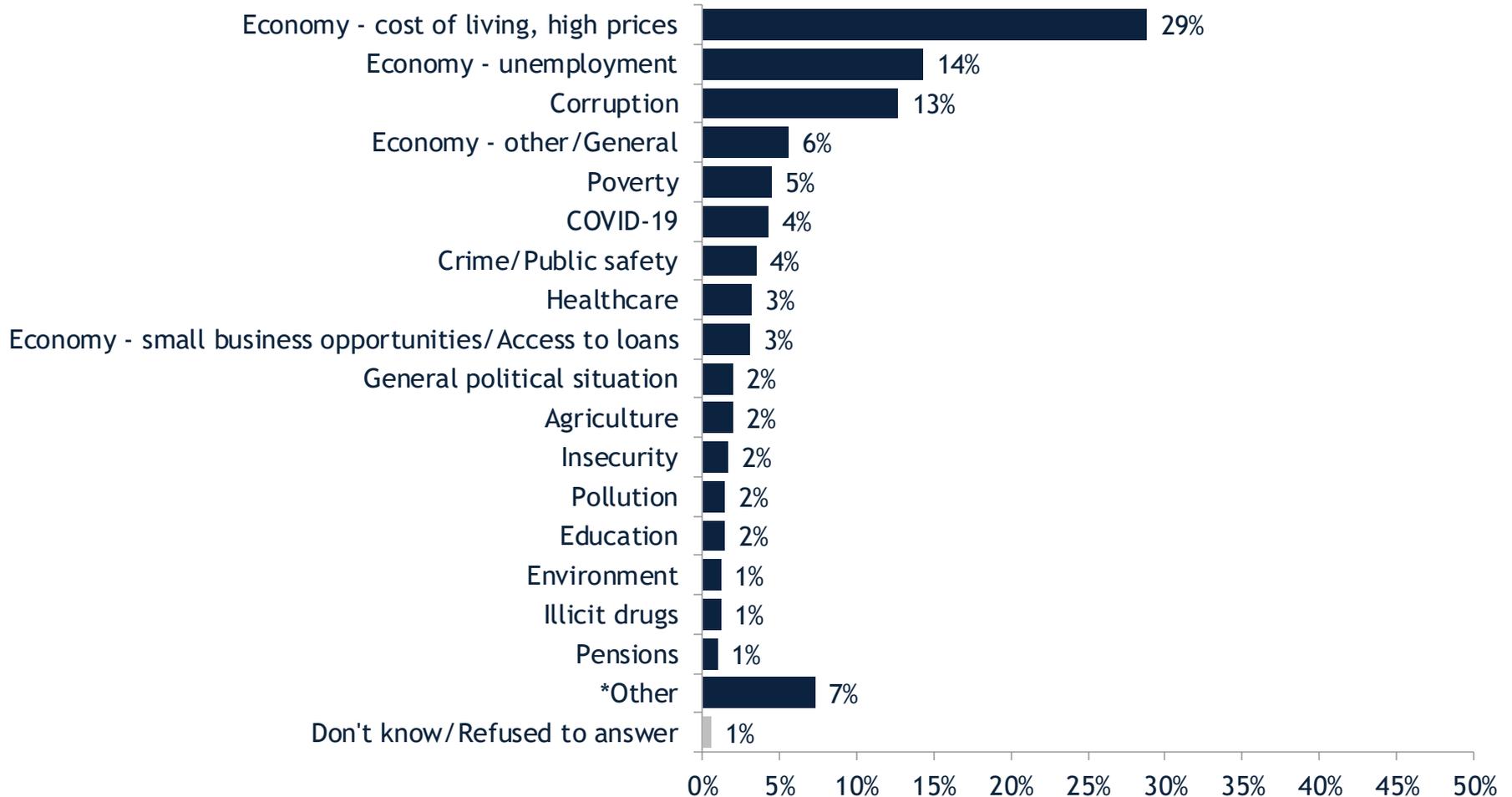
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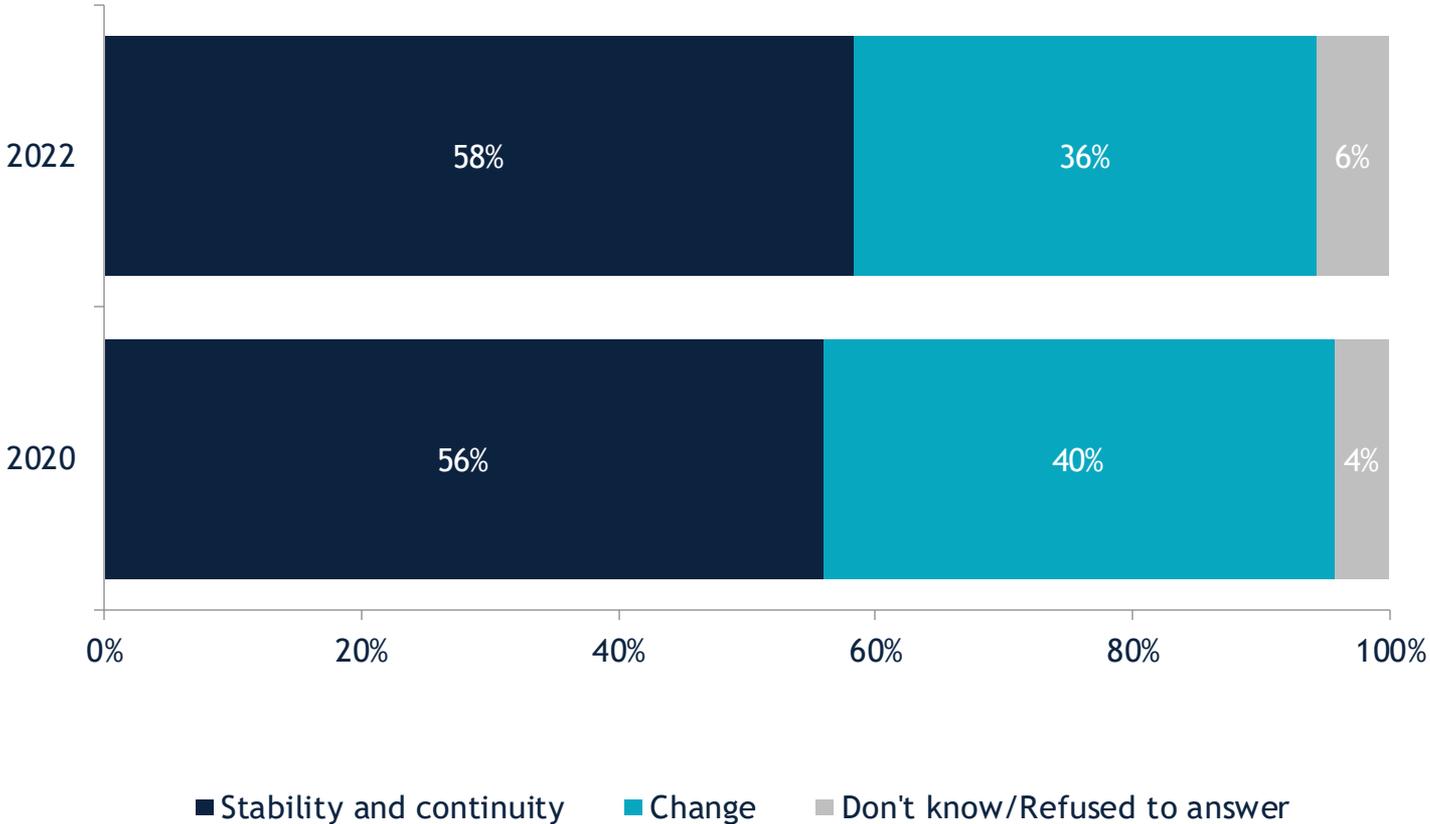


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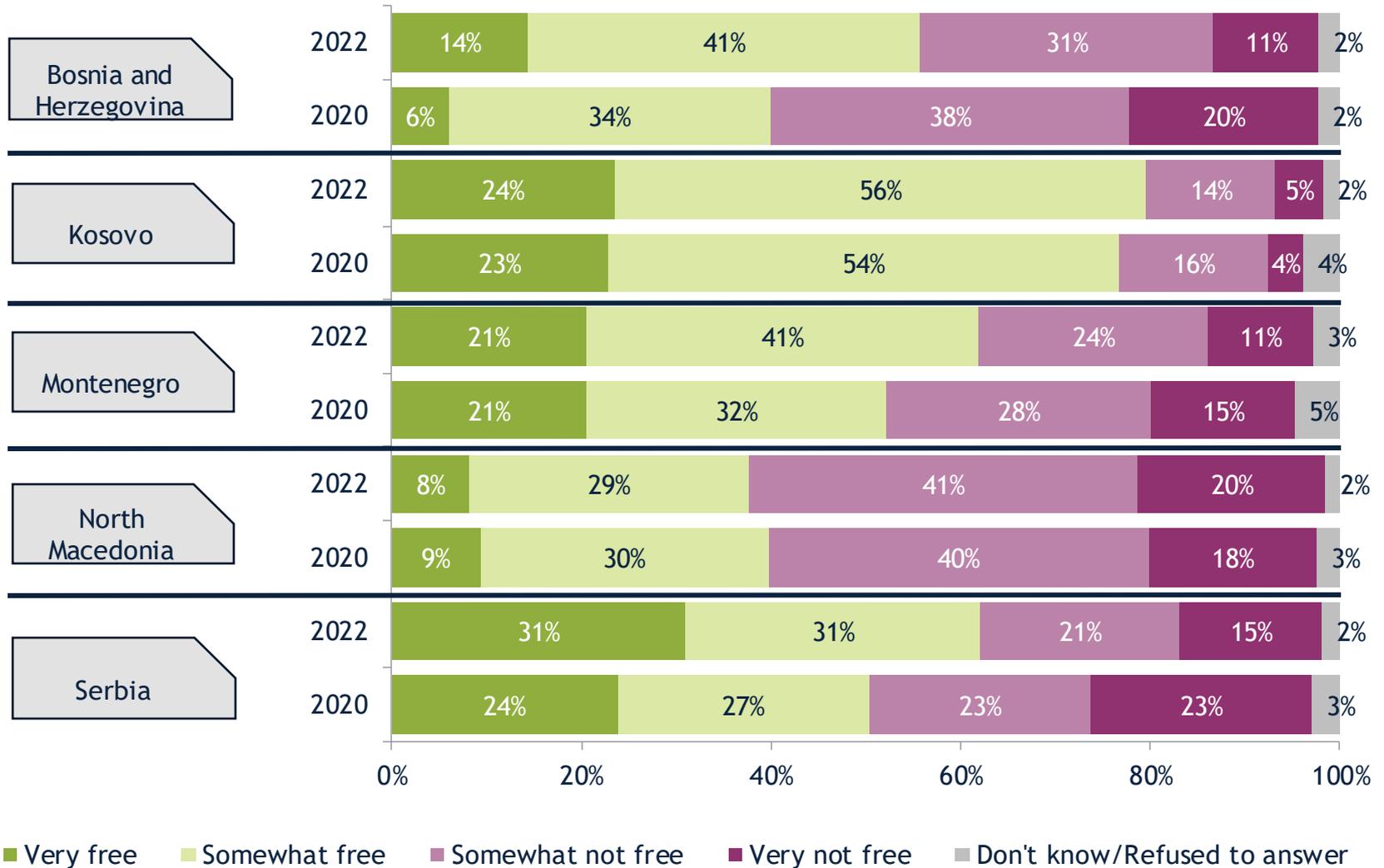
What does Serbia need the most at this time?

(Serbia, 2022 vs 2020)



Are the media in our country free to independently cover any issue or not?

(2022 vs 2020)



Democracy and Human Rights

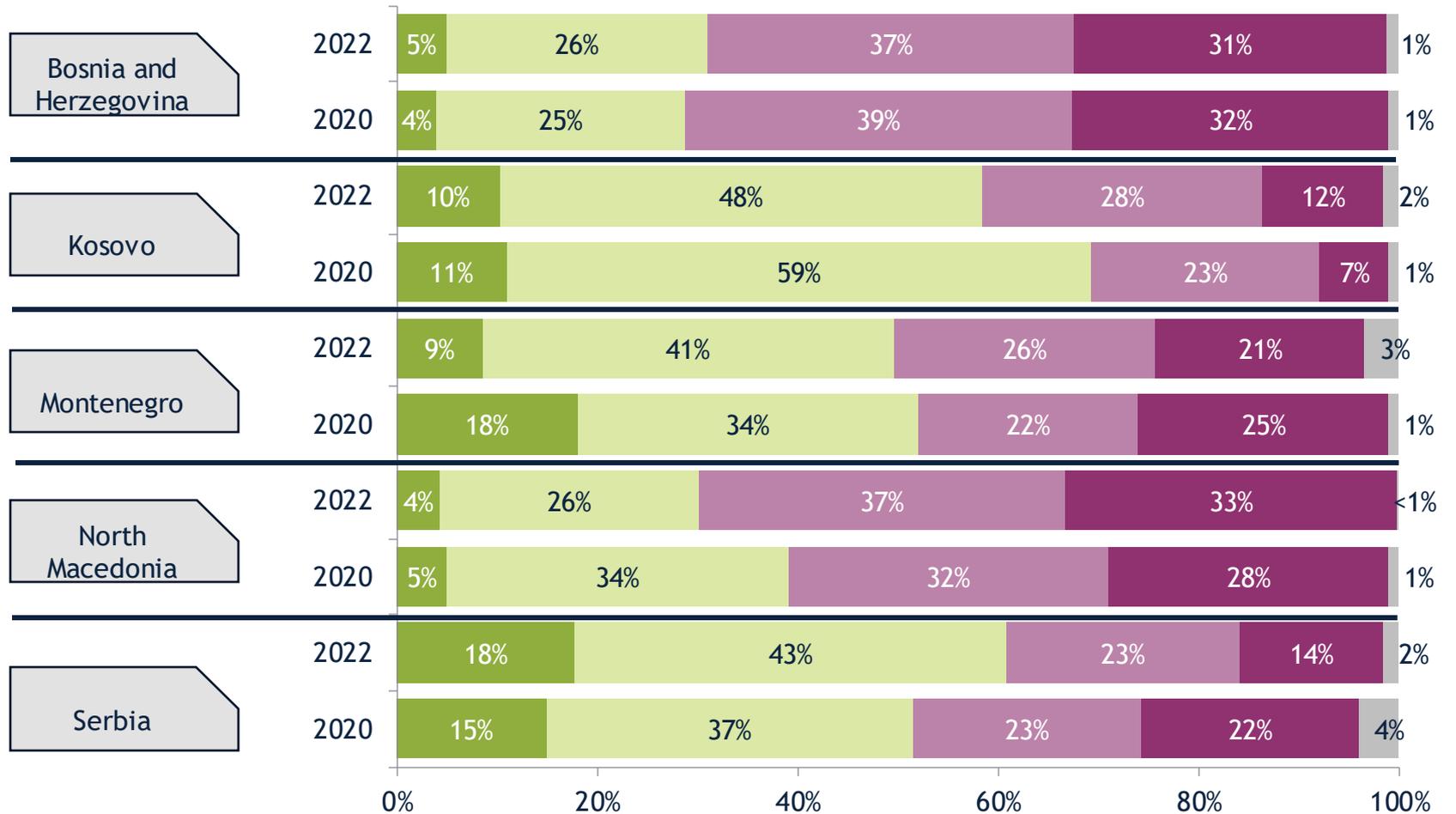


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How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the way democracy is developing in our country?

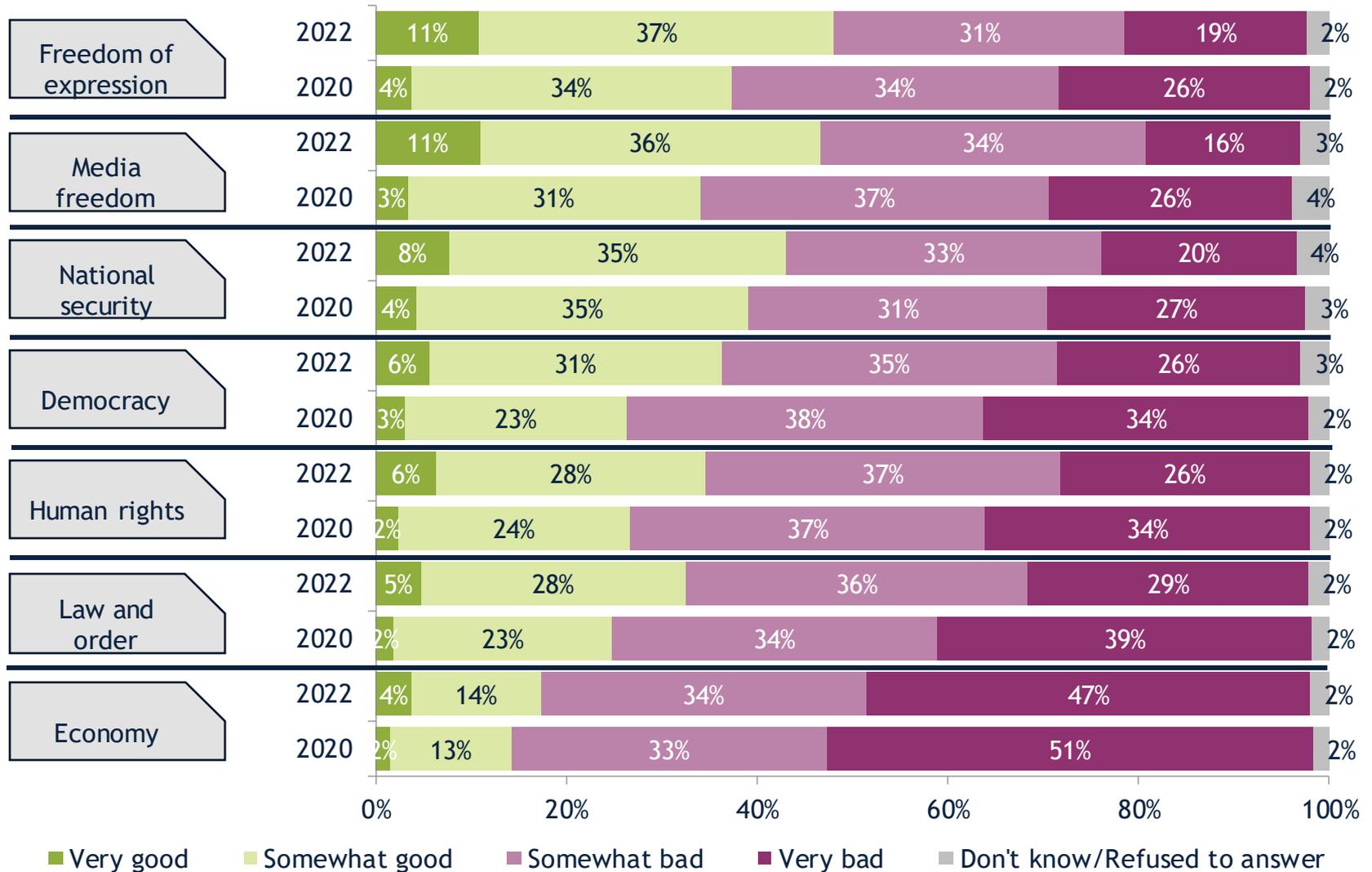
(2022 vs 2020)



■ Very satisfied ■ Somewhat satisfied ■ Somewhat dissatisfied ■ Very dissatisfied ■ Don't know/Refused to answer

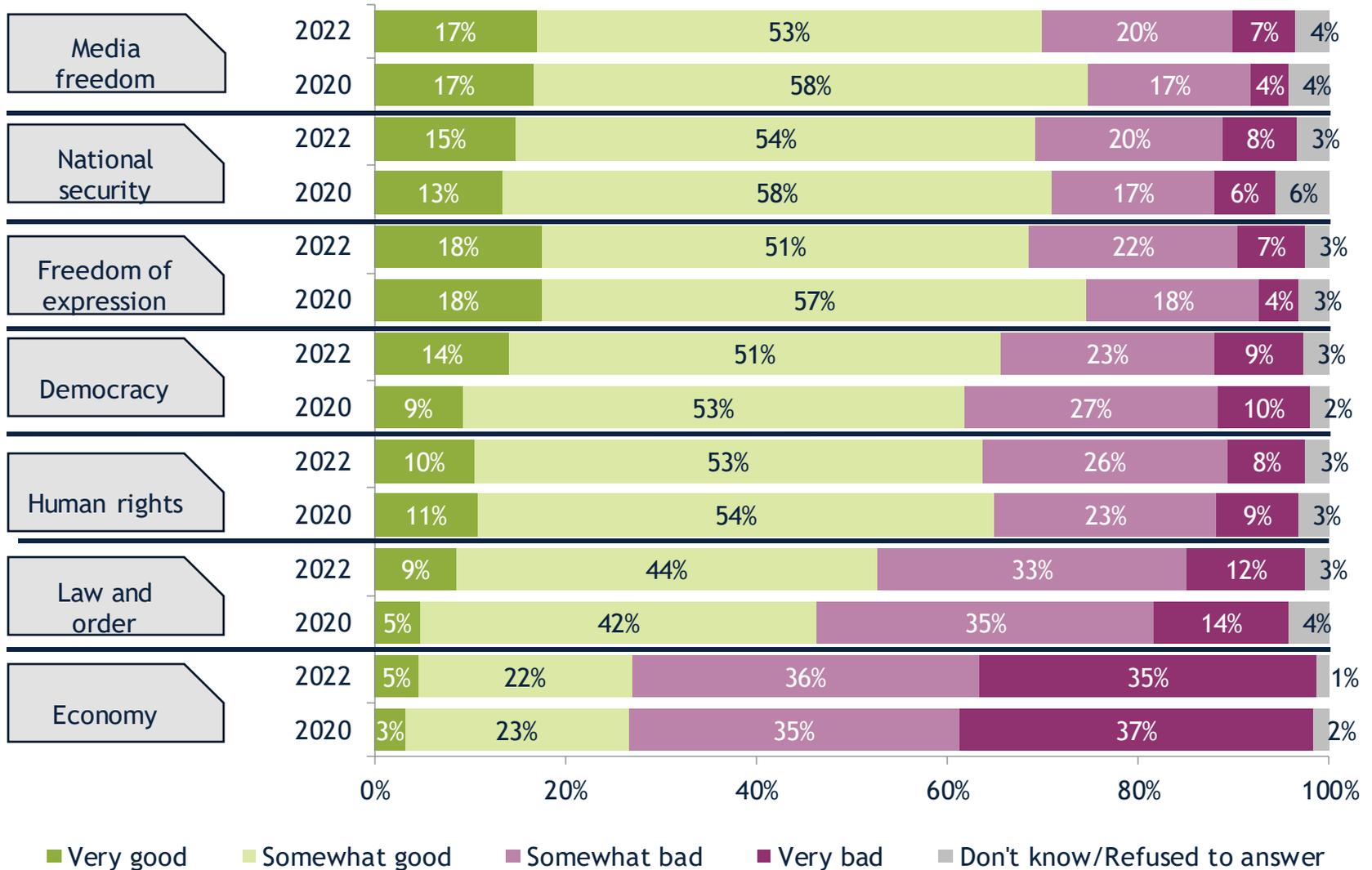
How would you describe the current status of each of the following items in our country?

(Bosnia and Herzegovina, 2022 vs 2020)



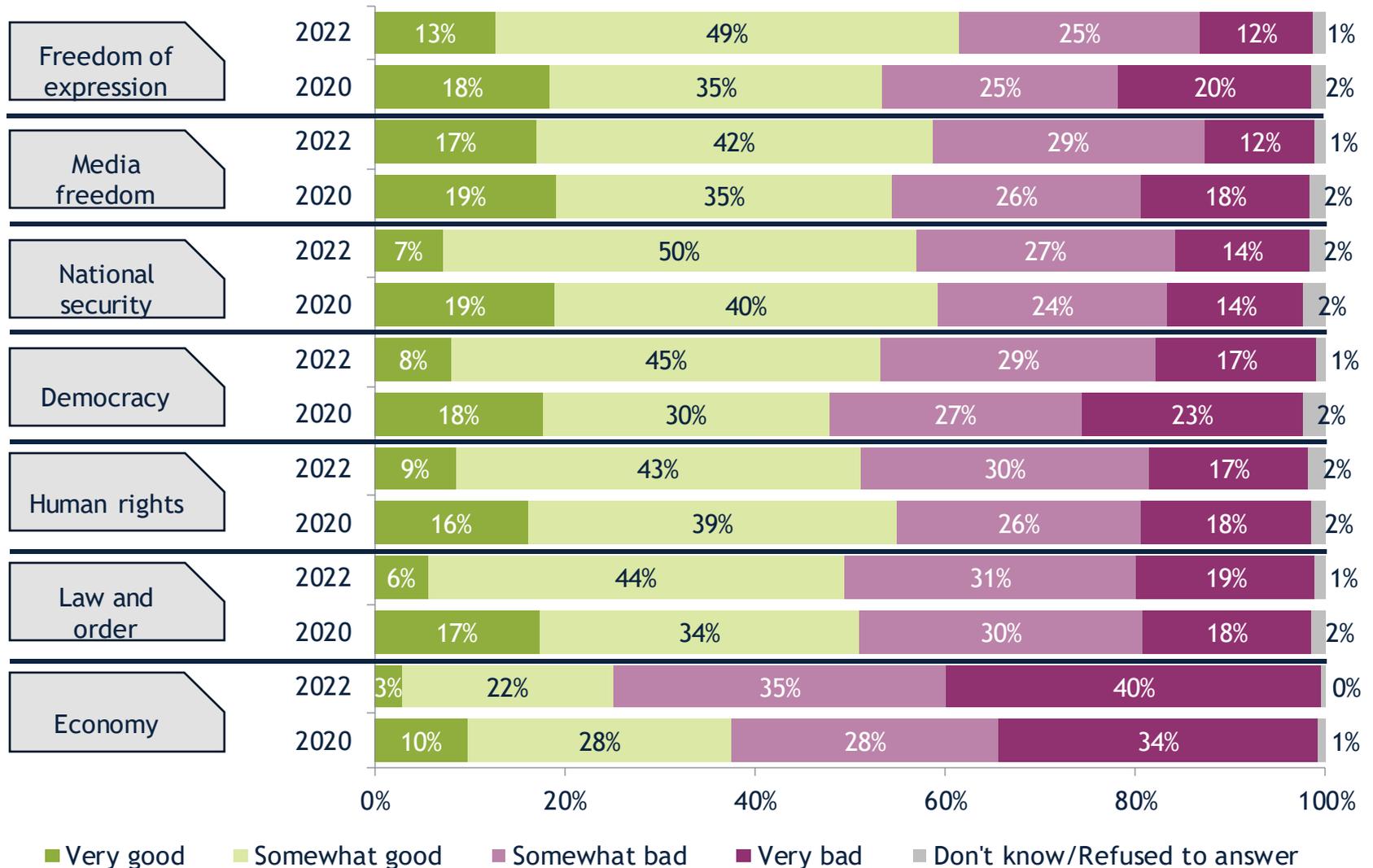
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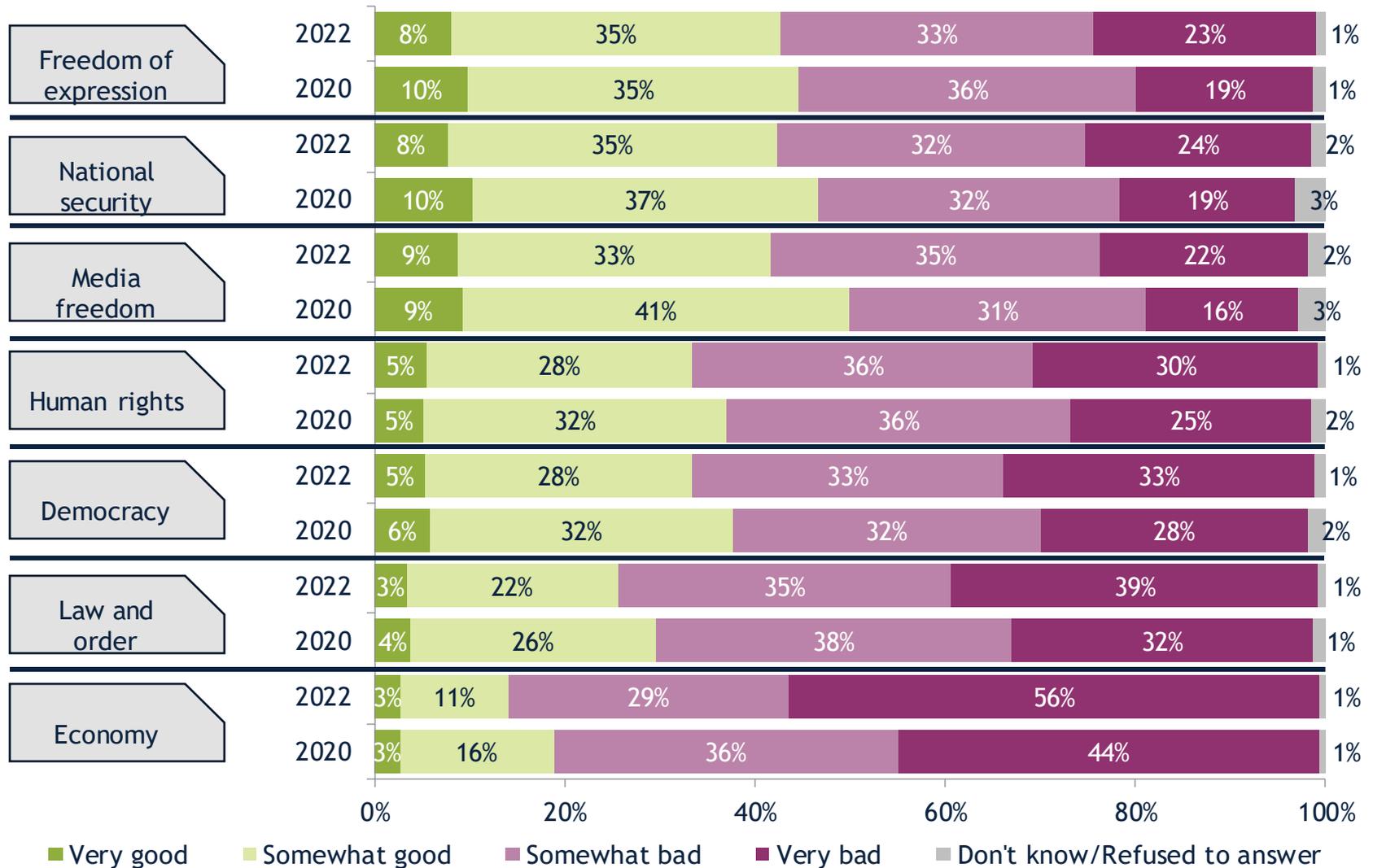
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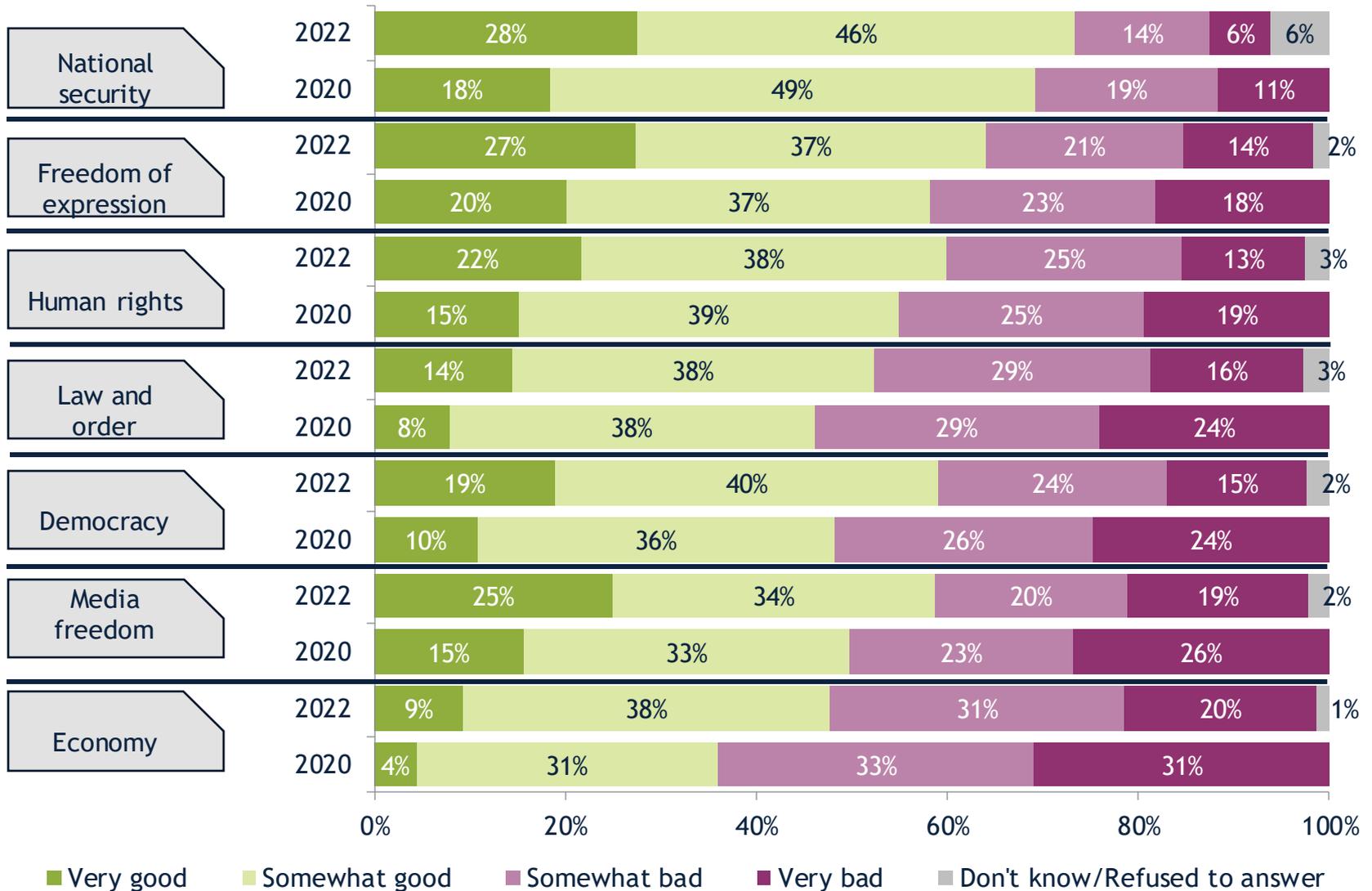
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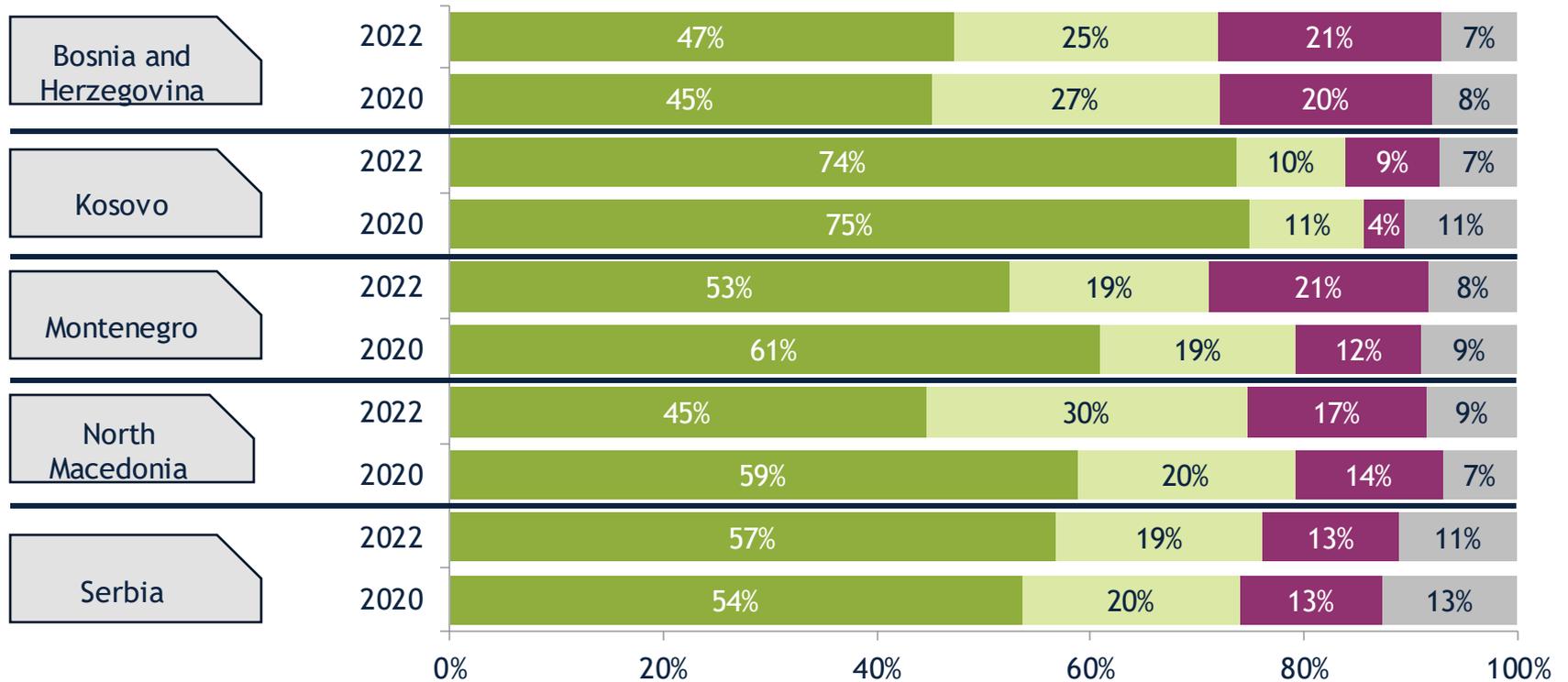


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Do you believe that democracy is the best possible form of government for our country or not?

(2022 vs 2020)

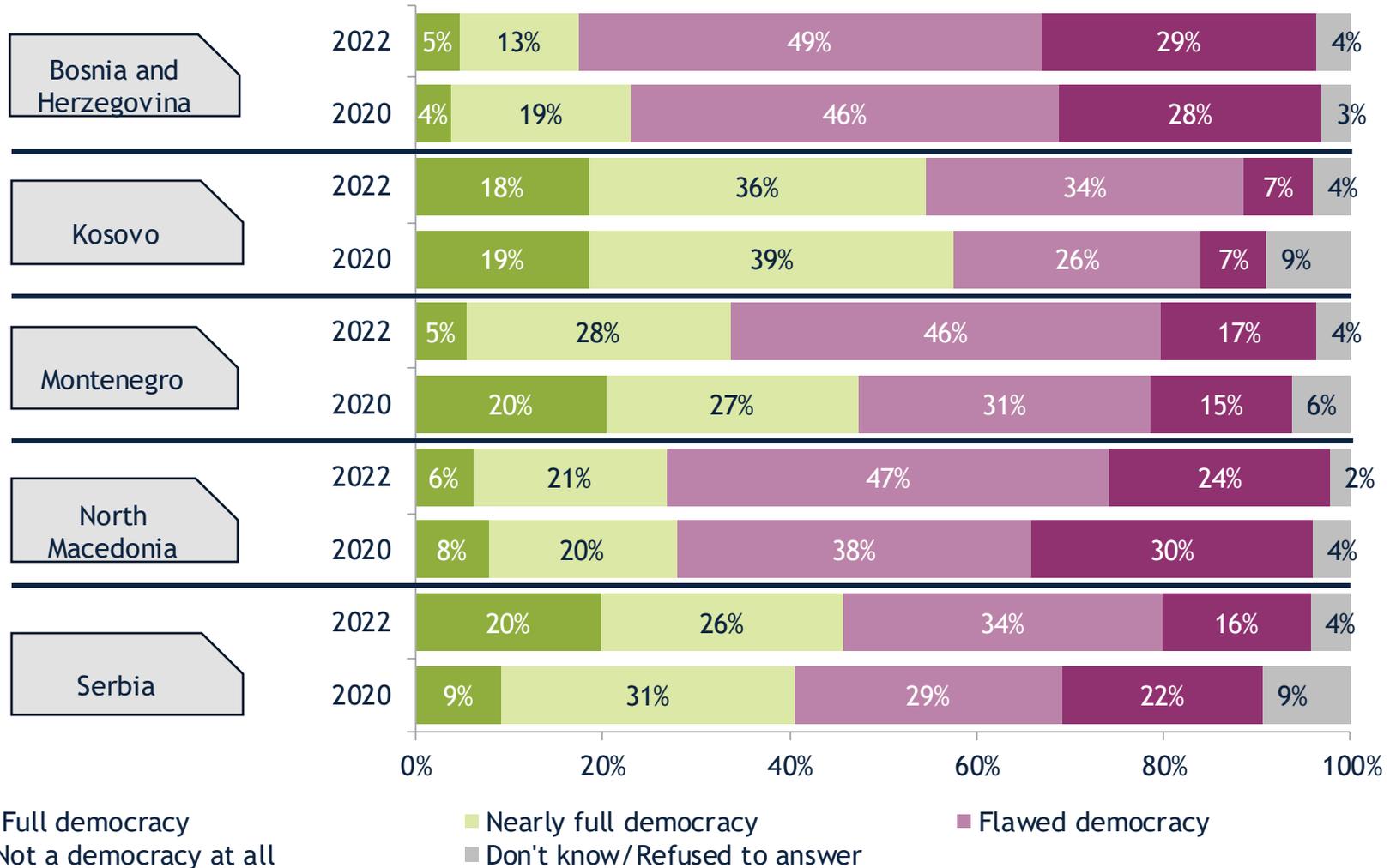


- Yes, it is the best possible form of government for our country
- No, there are other forms of government that could be equally good for our country
- No, there are other forms of government that are better than democracy
- Don't know/Refused to answer



Thinking about our country's current political system, do you believe it is a:

(2022 vs 2020)



Trust in Politicians and Institutions



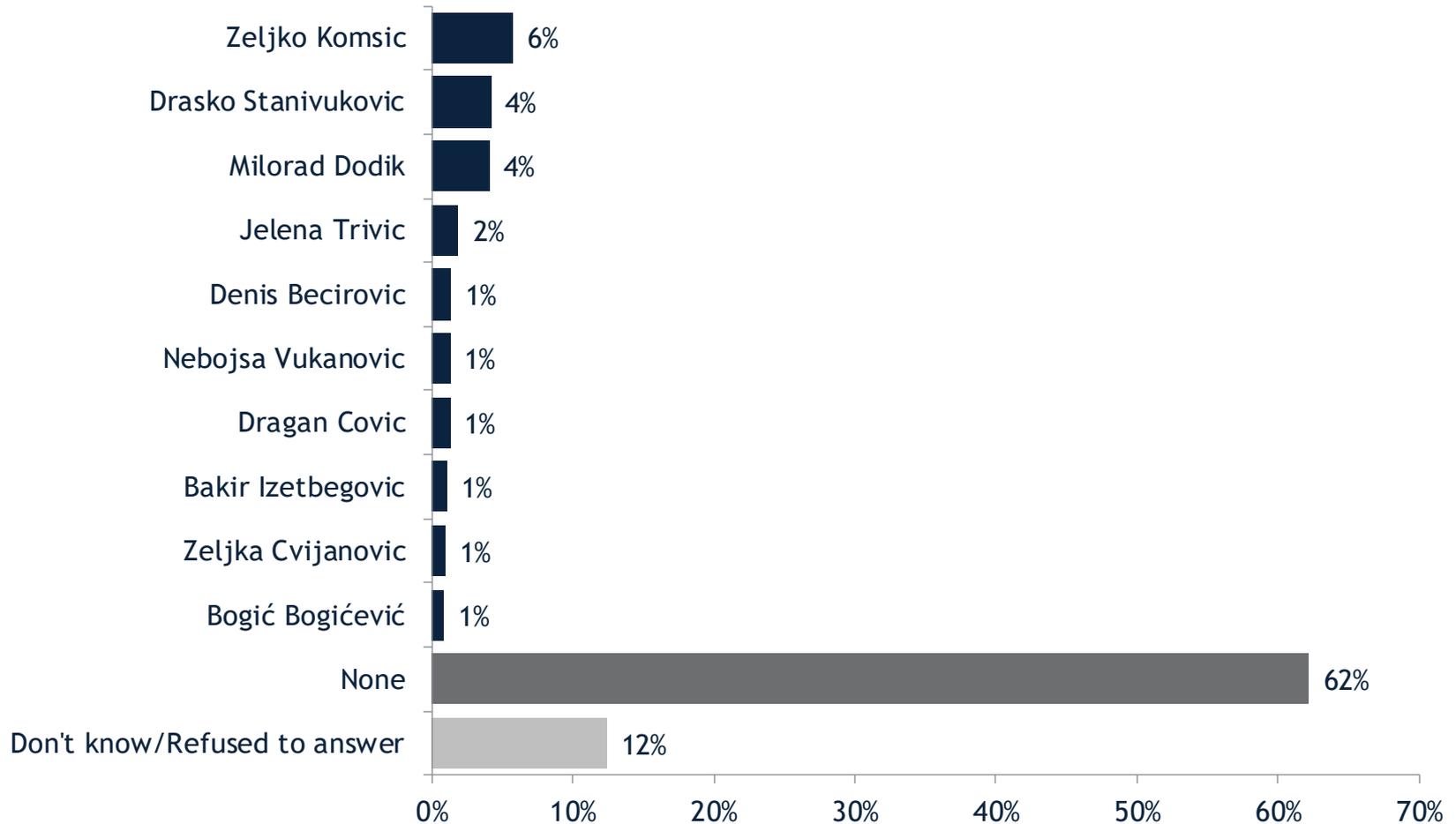
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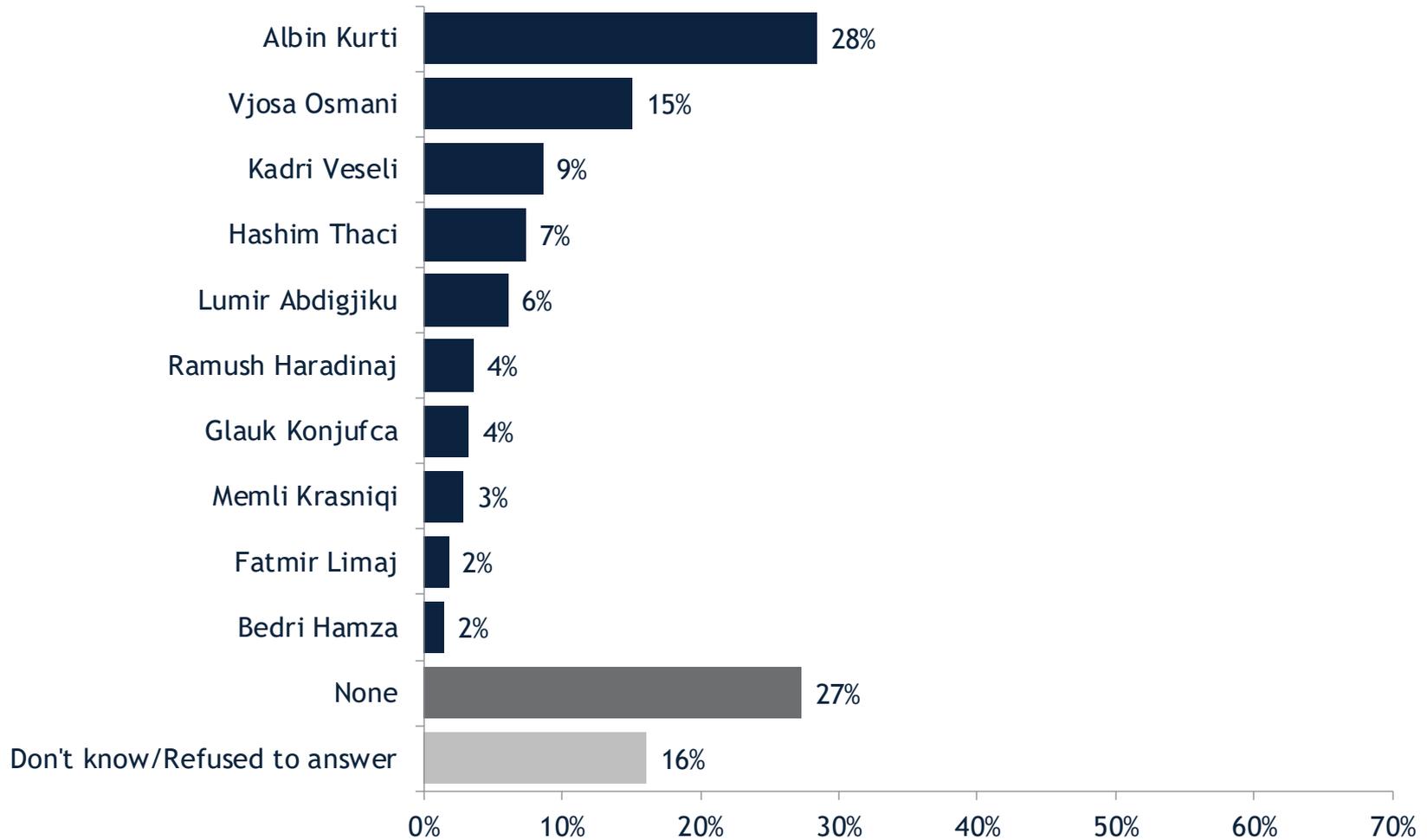


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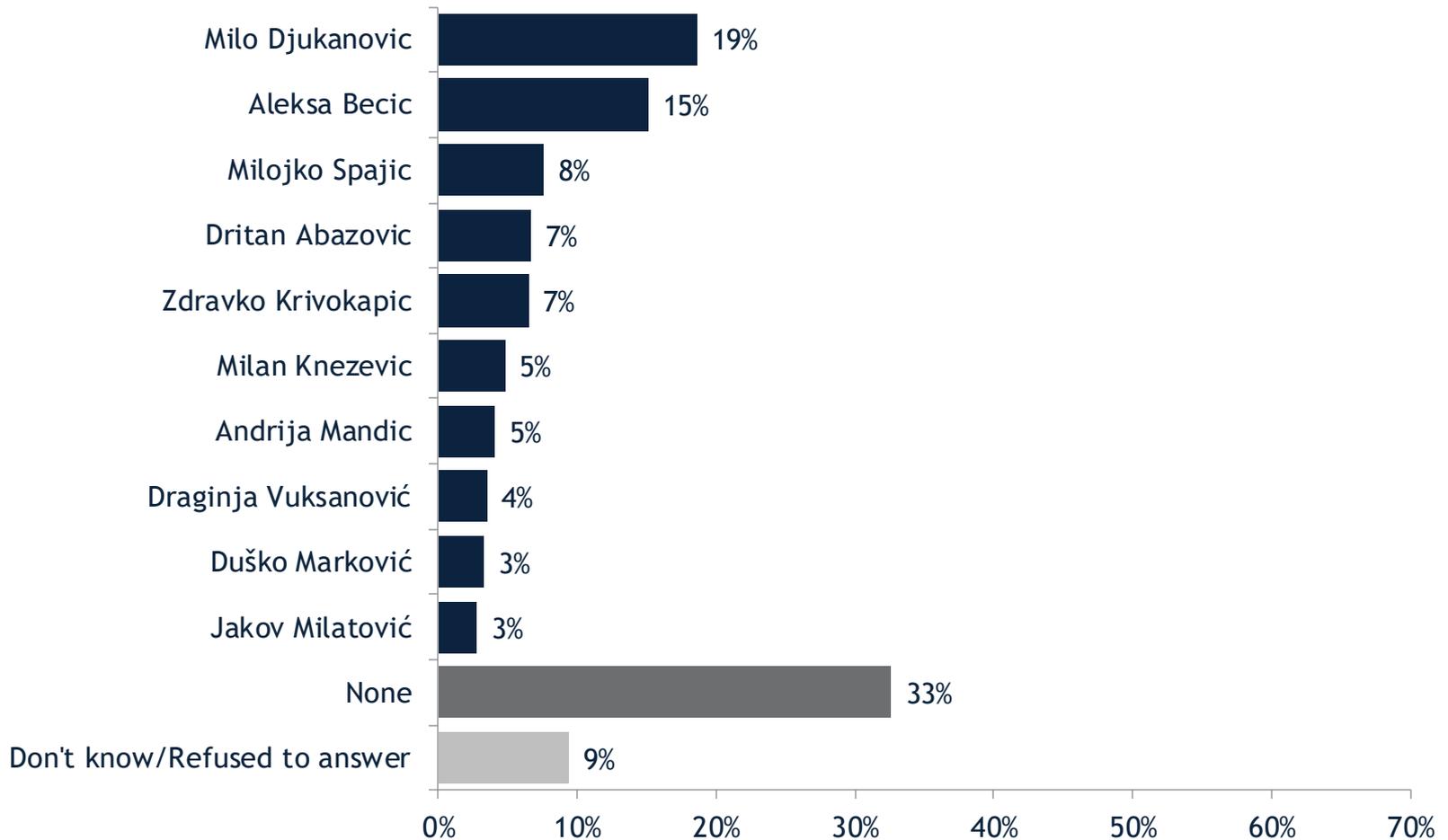
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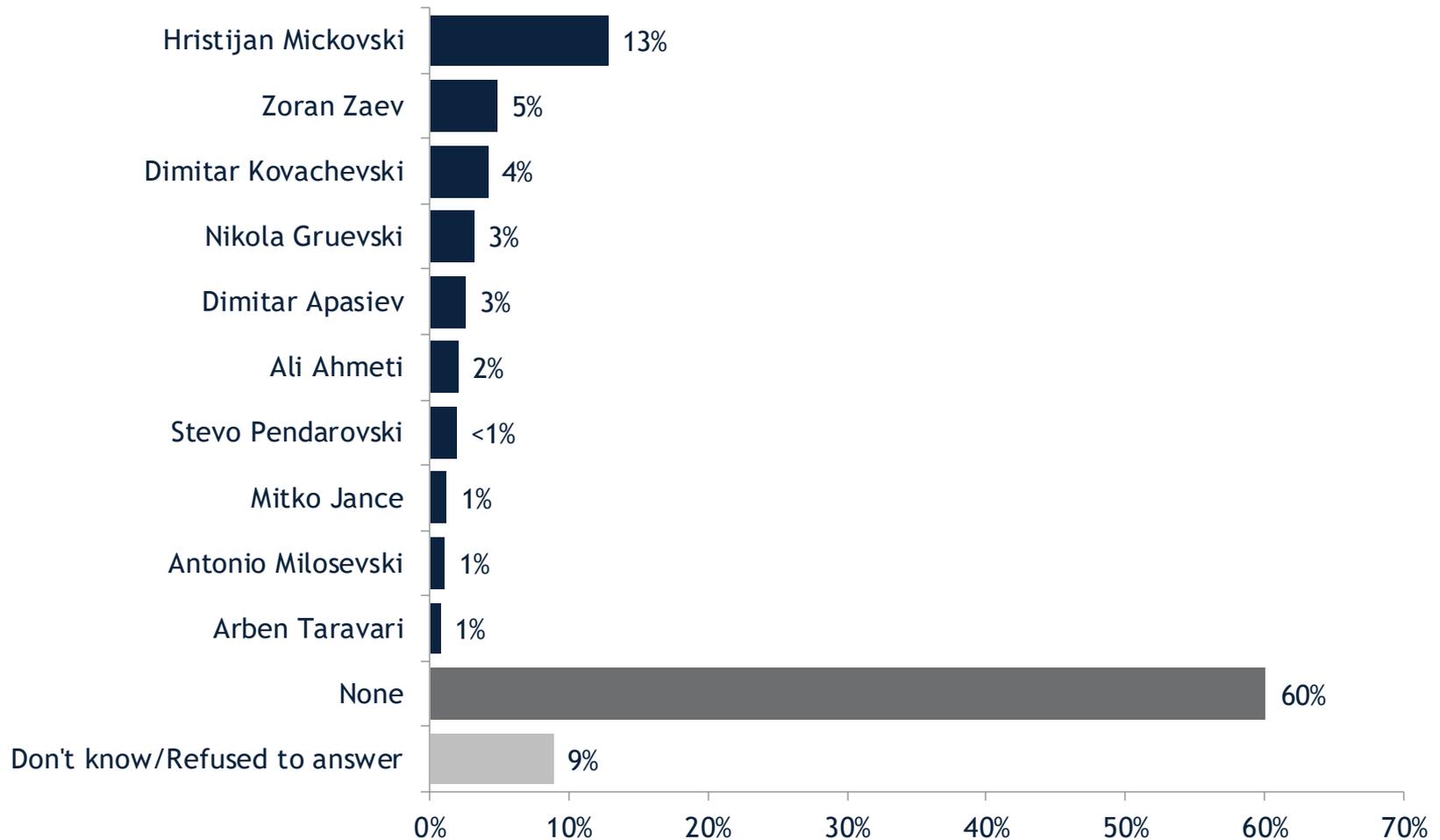
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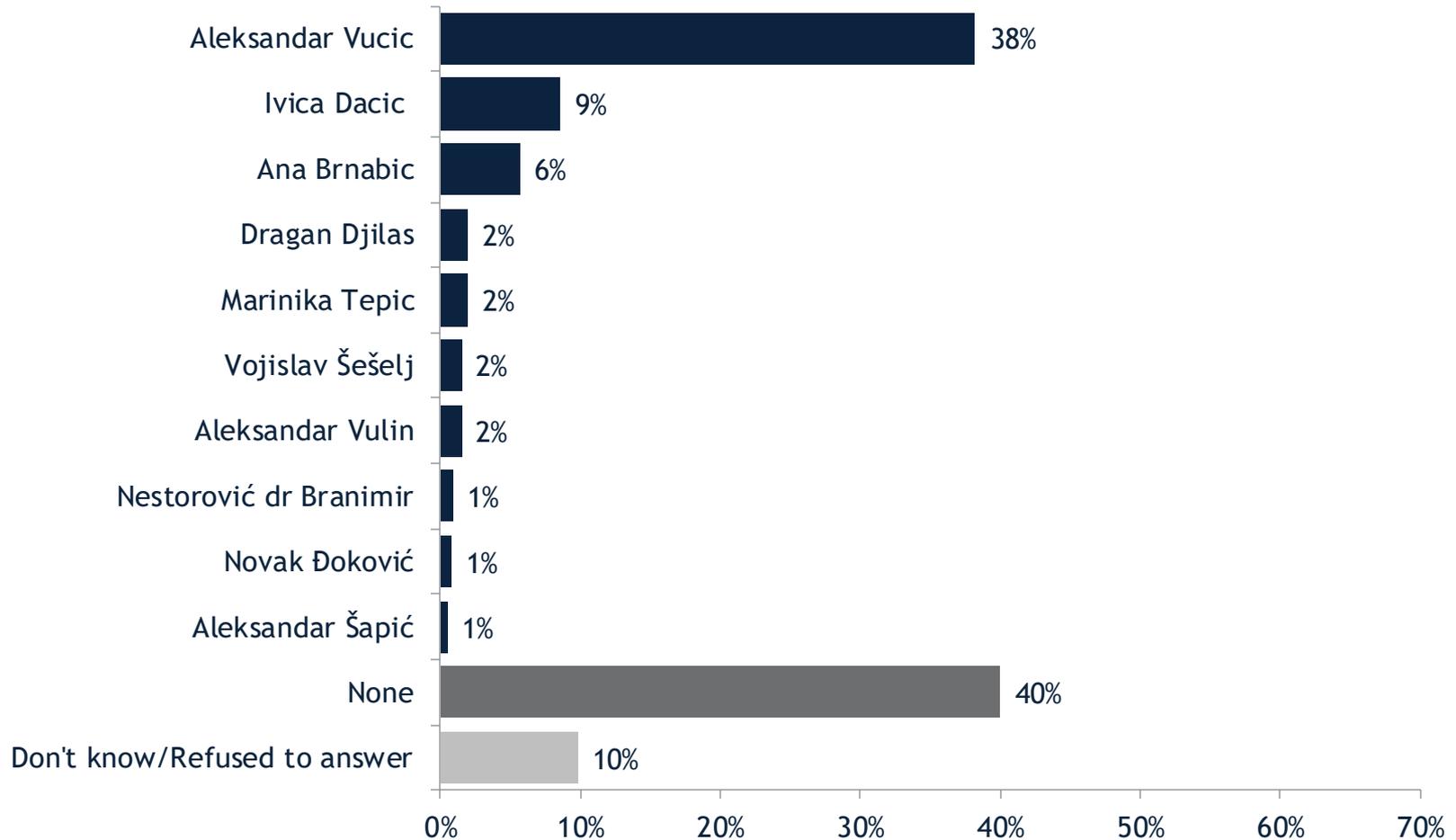
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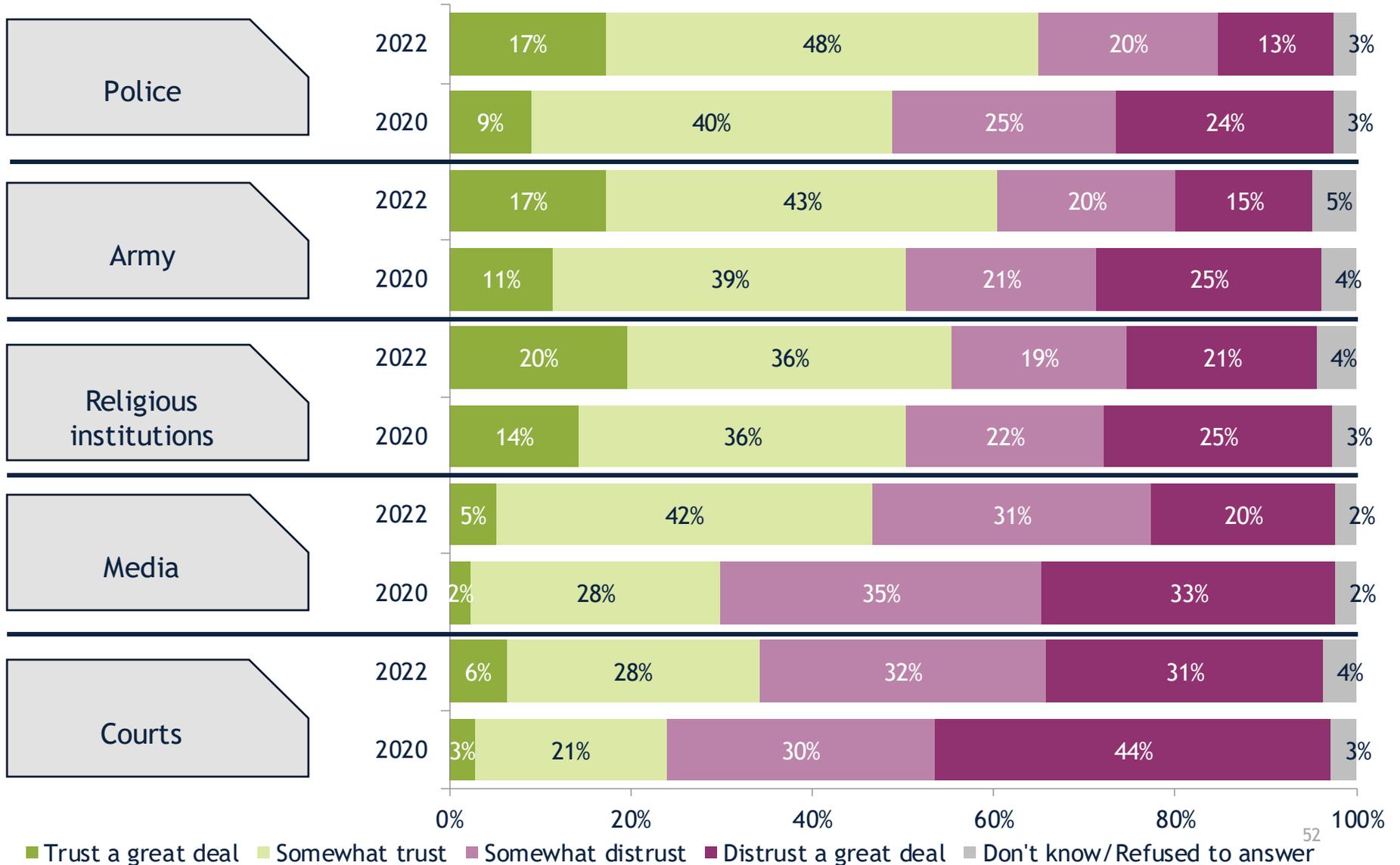
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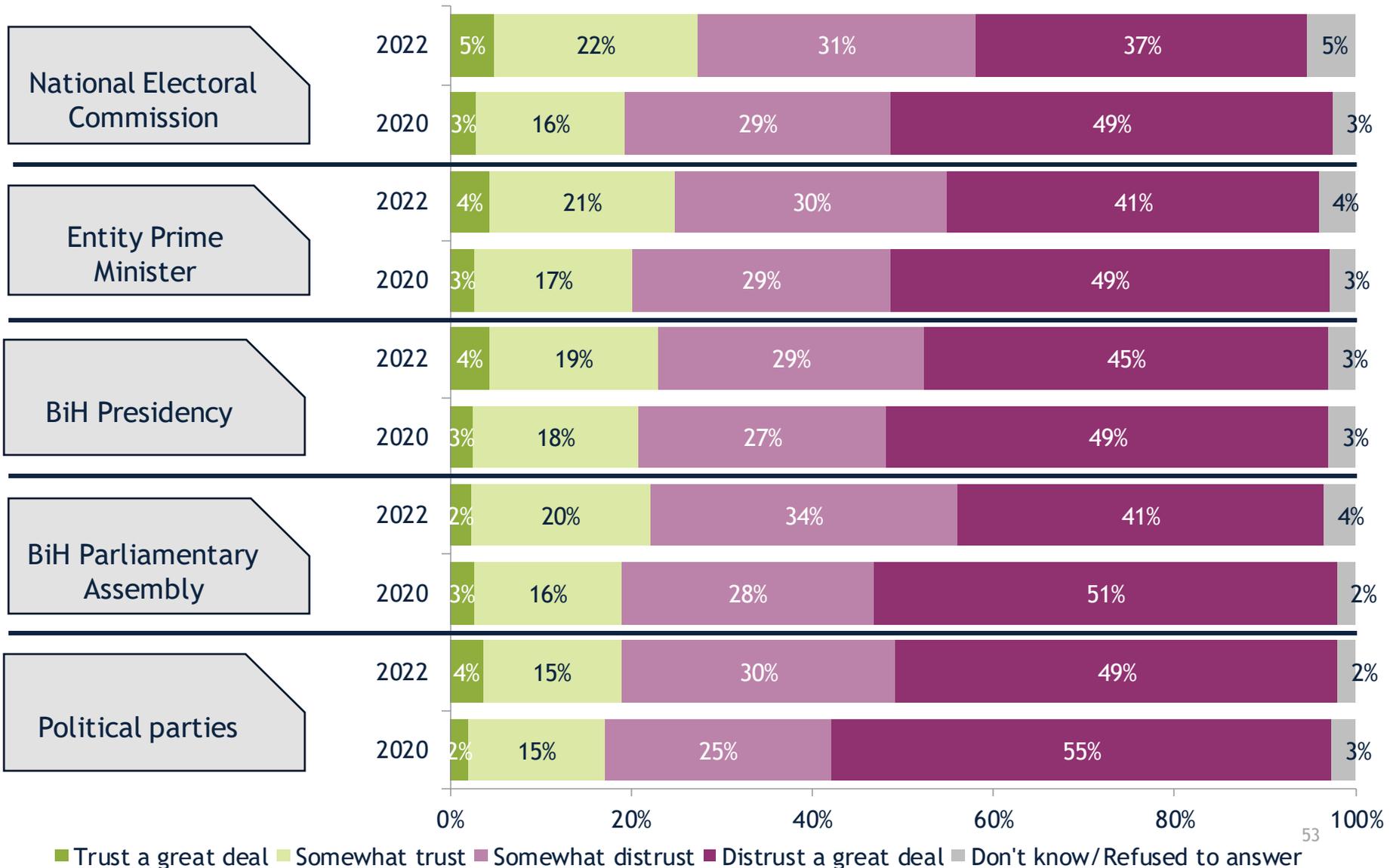
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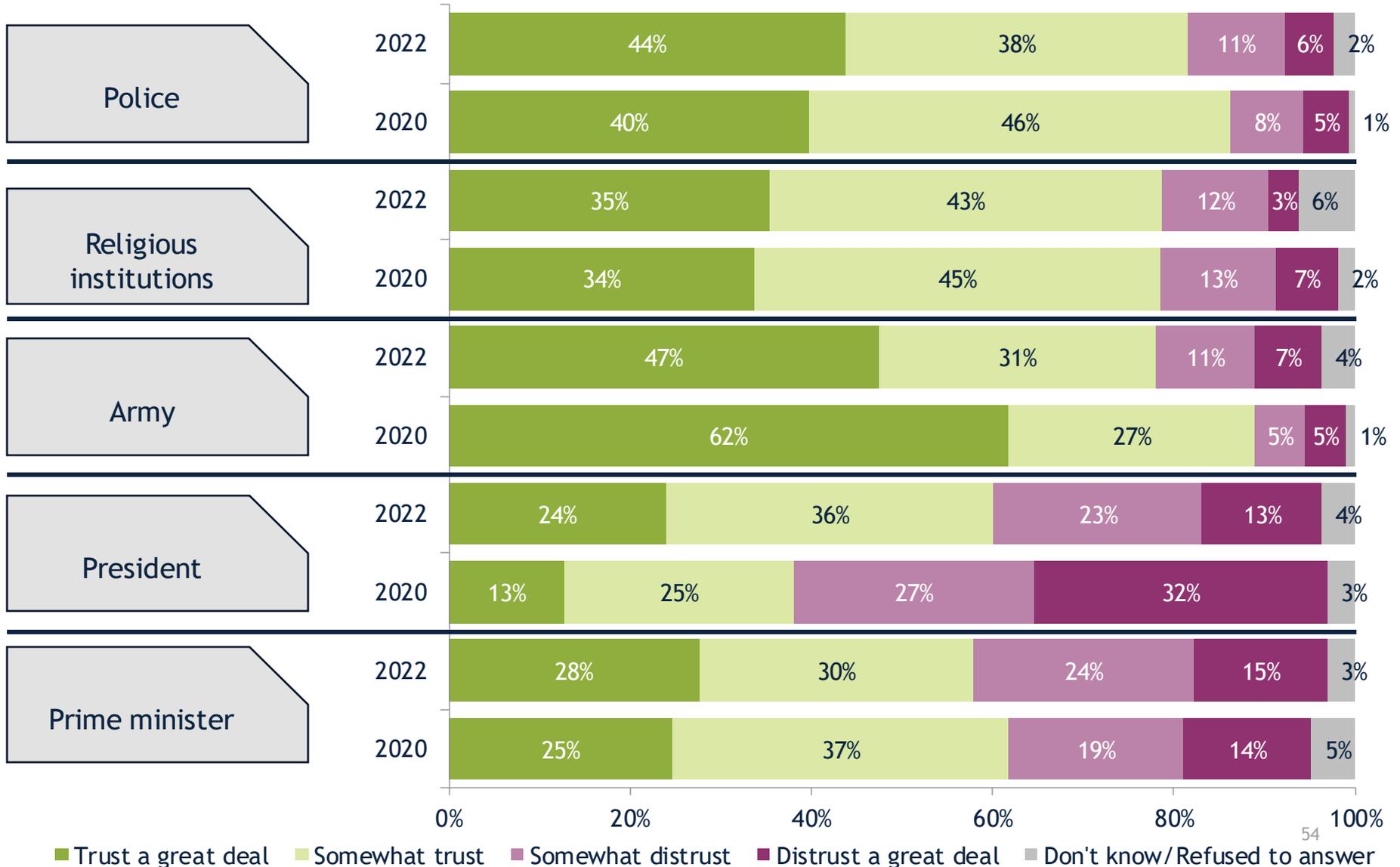
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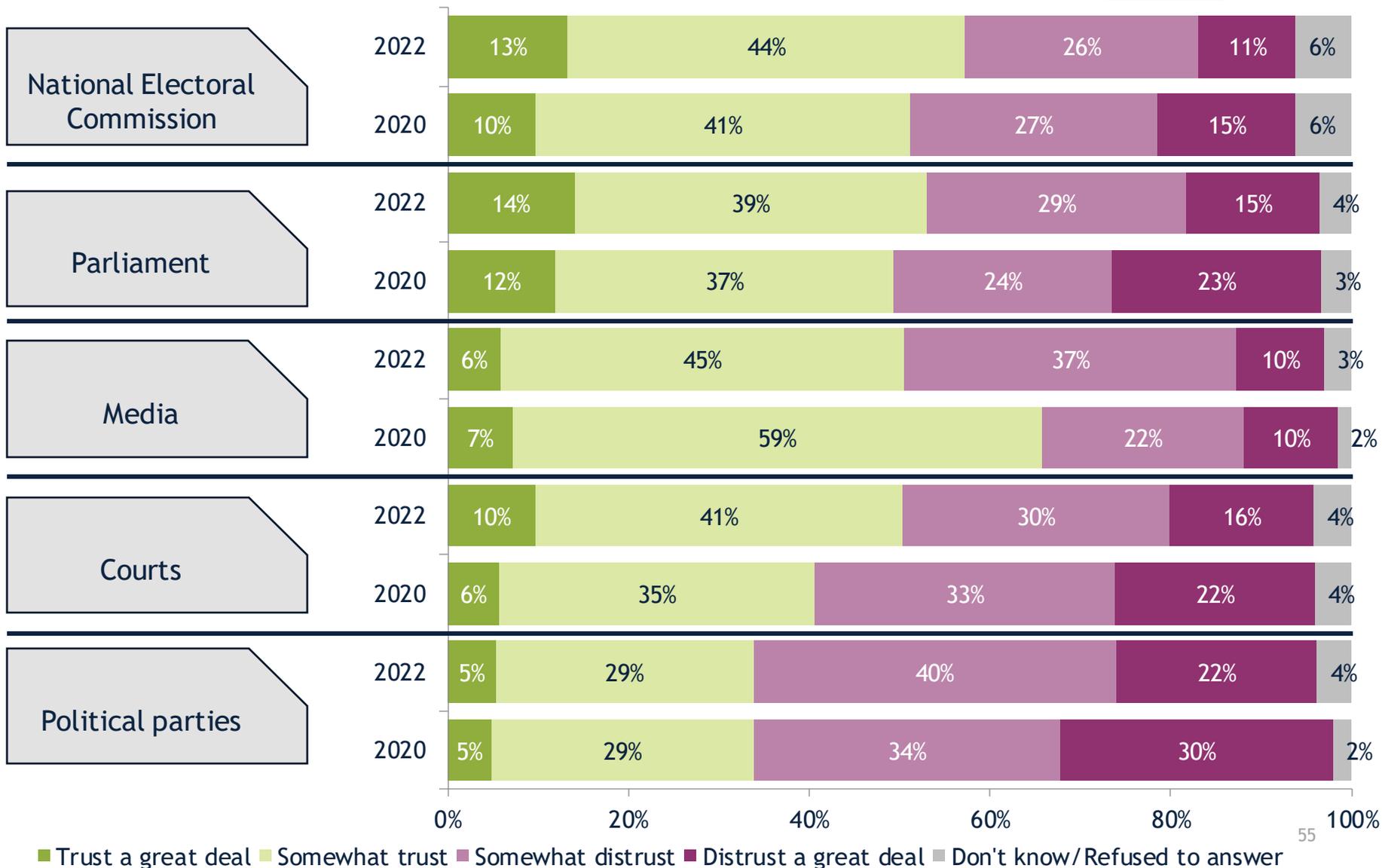
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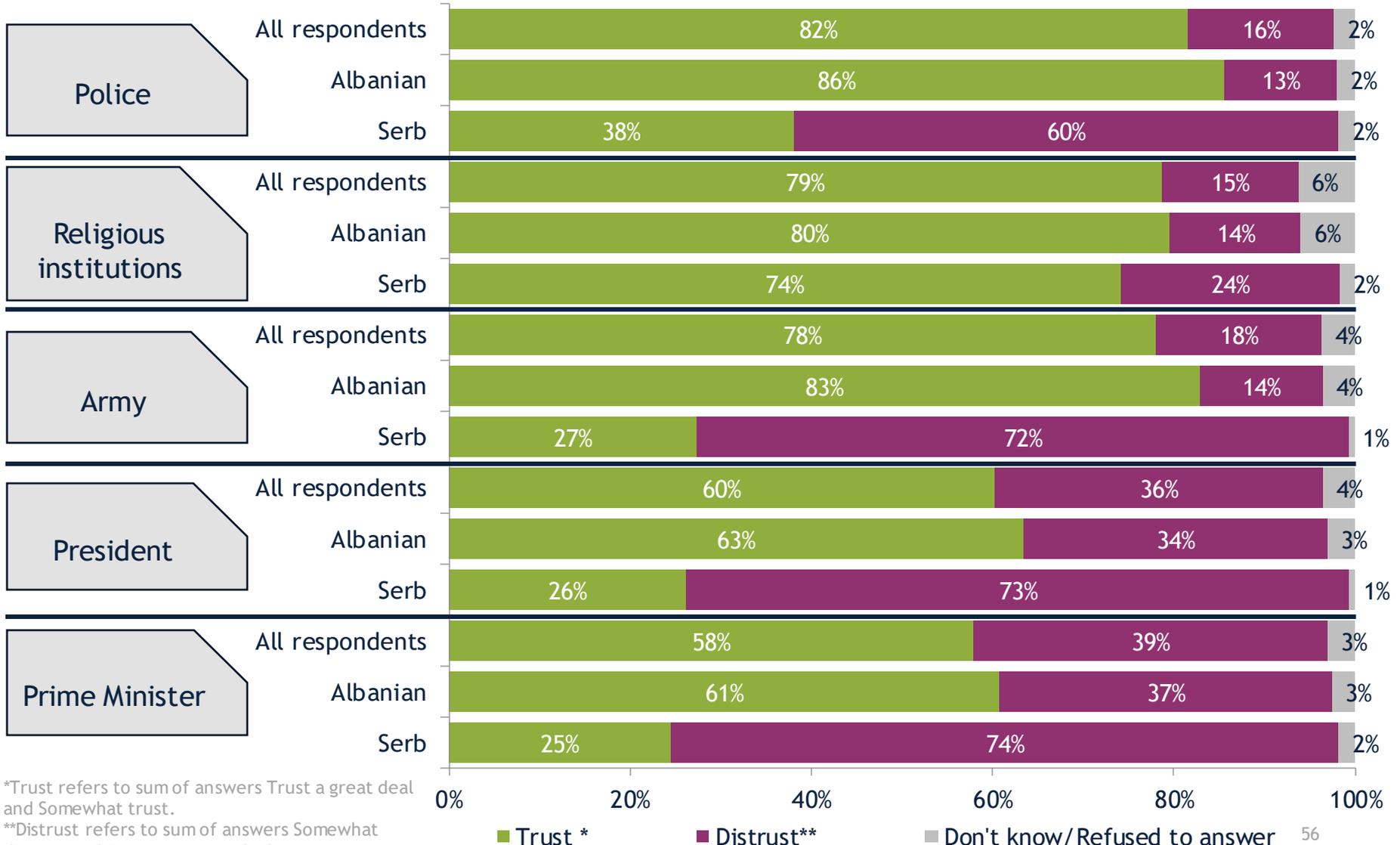
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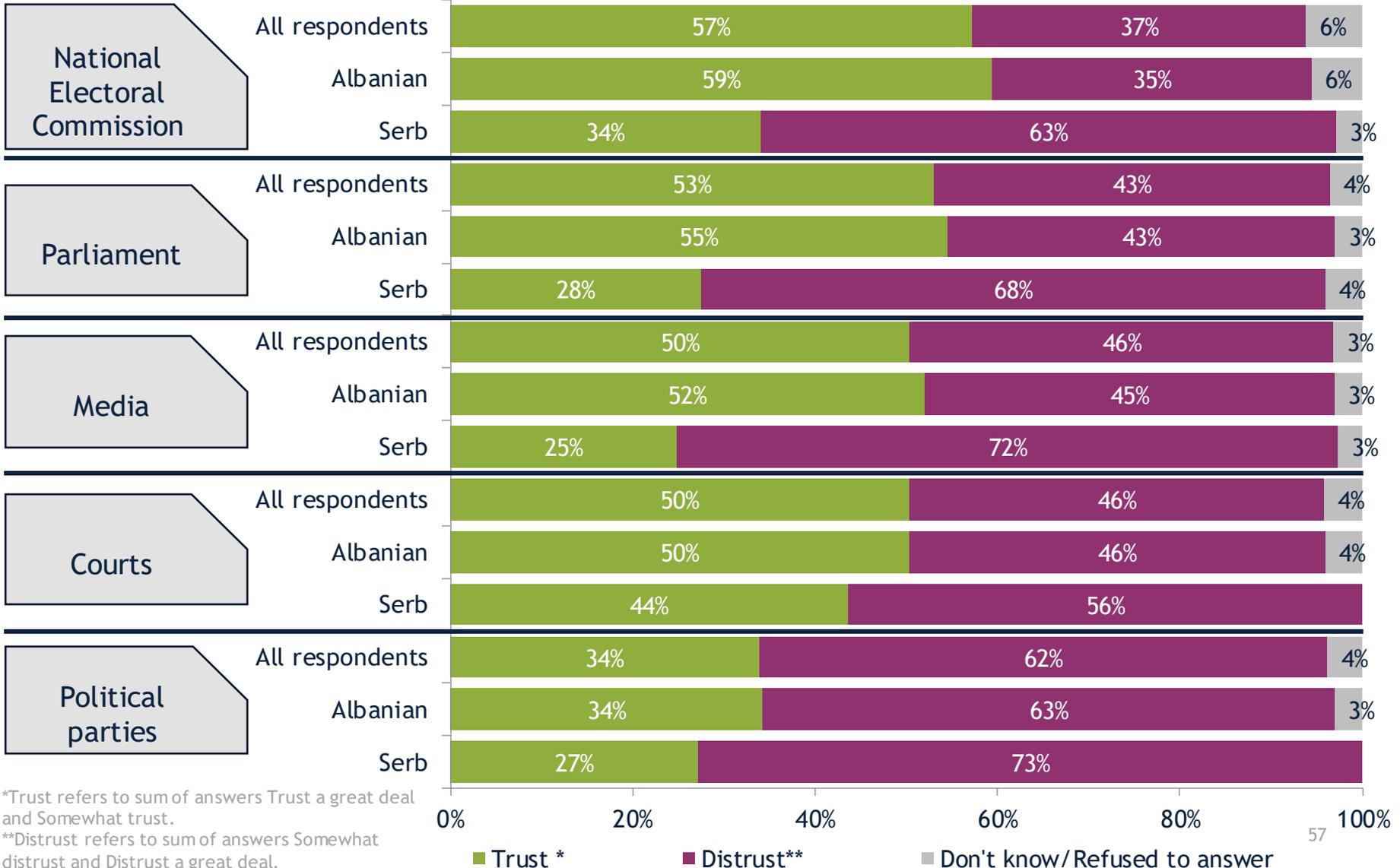
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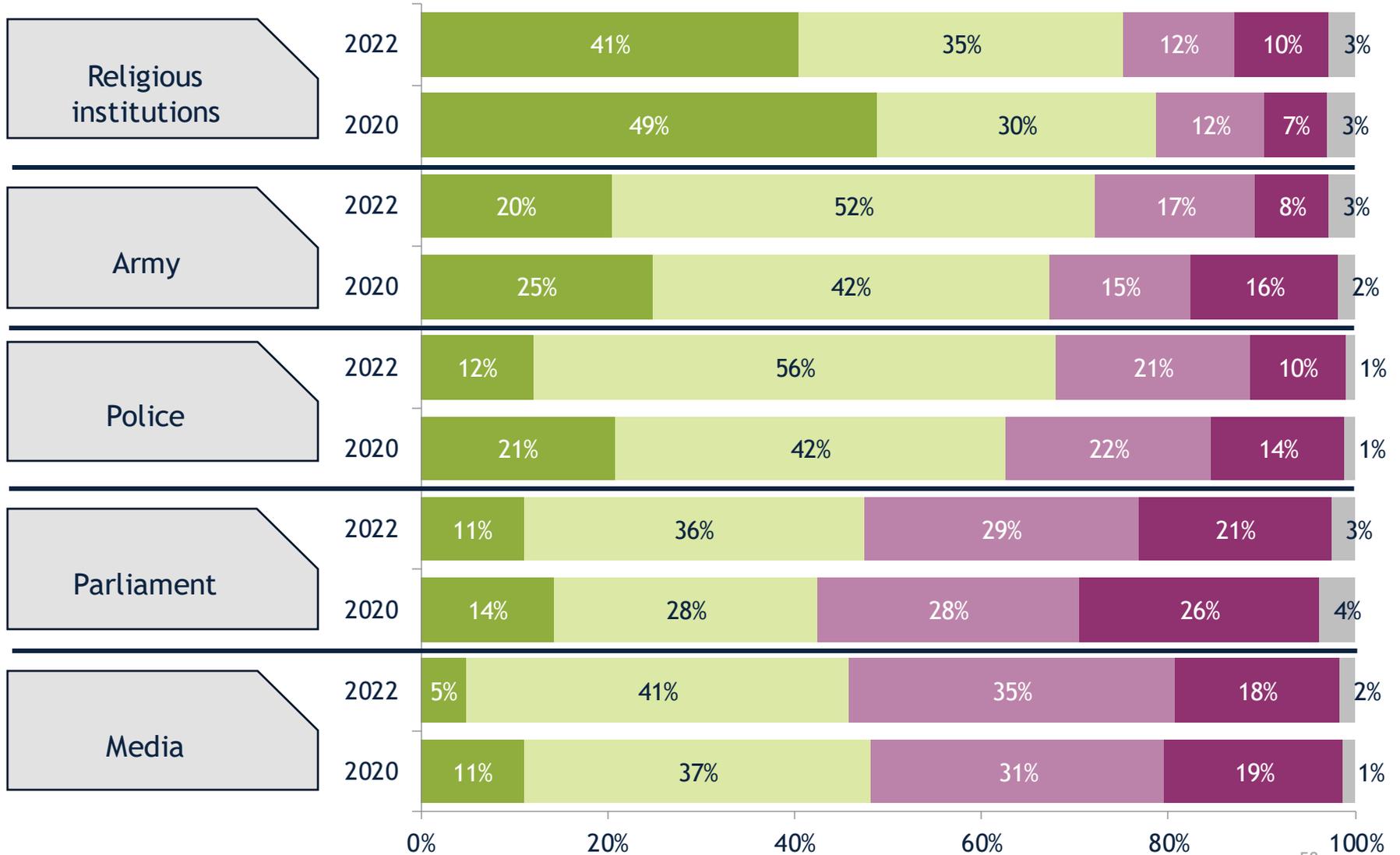
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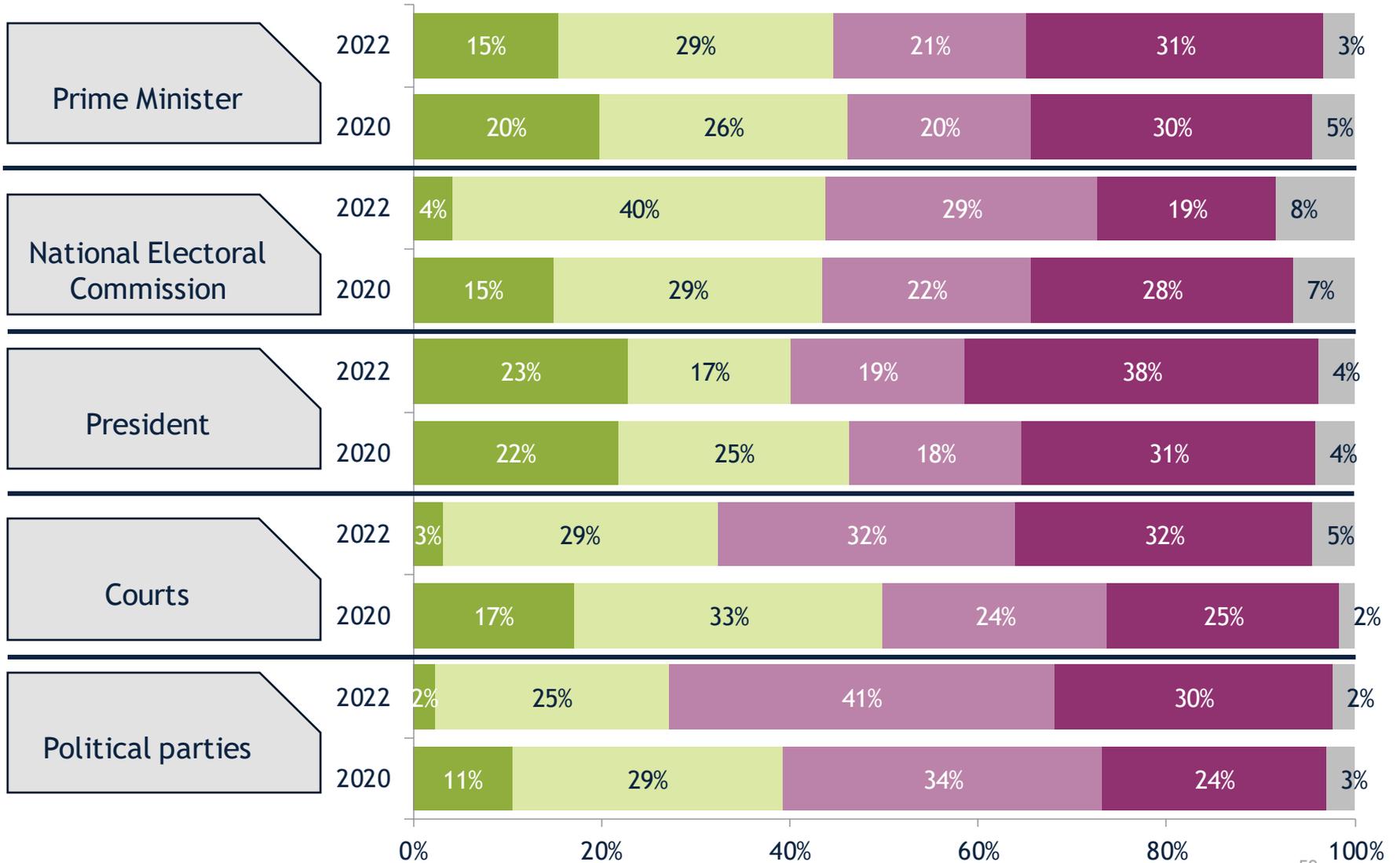


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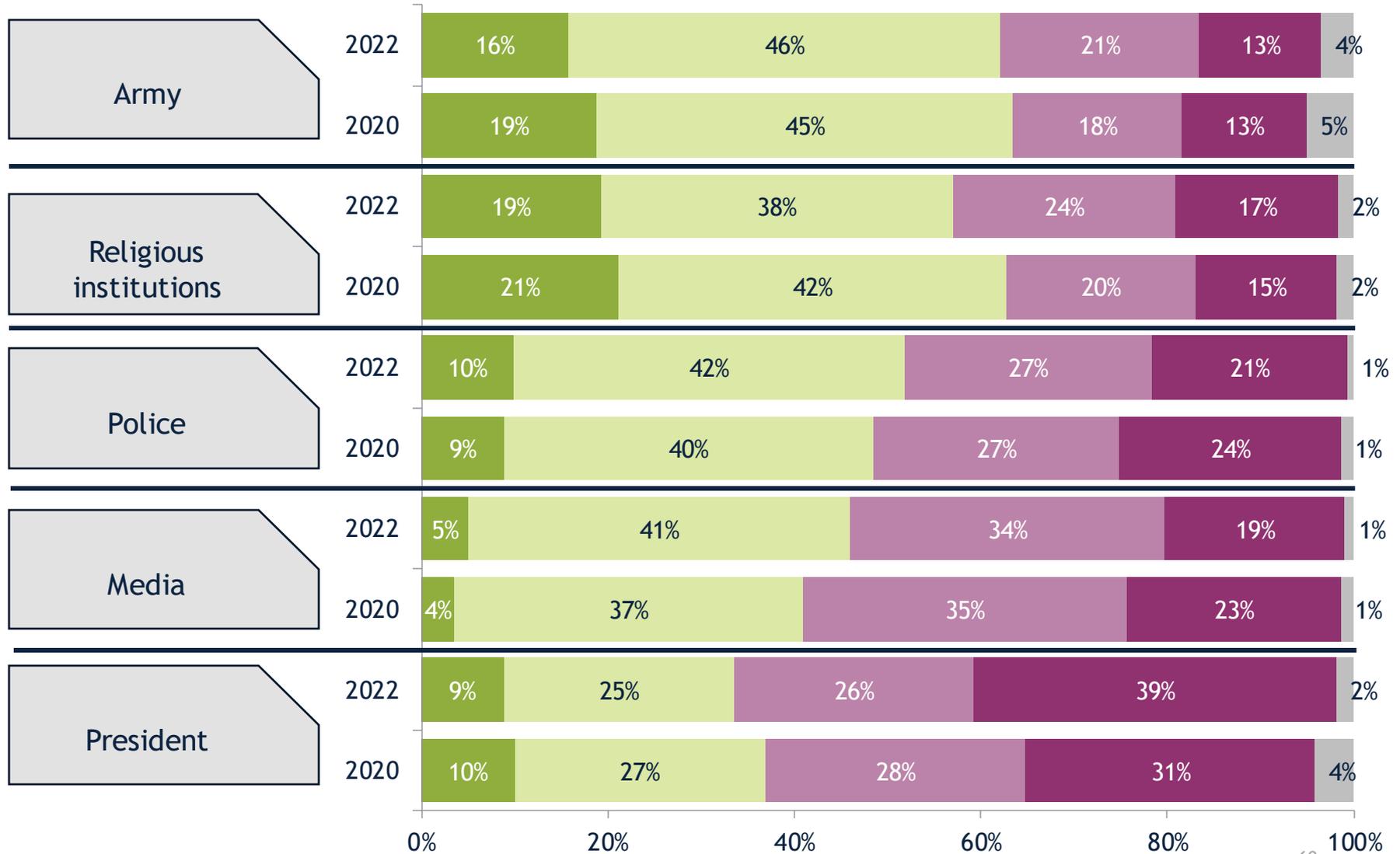


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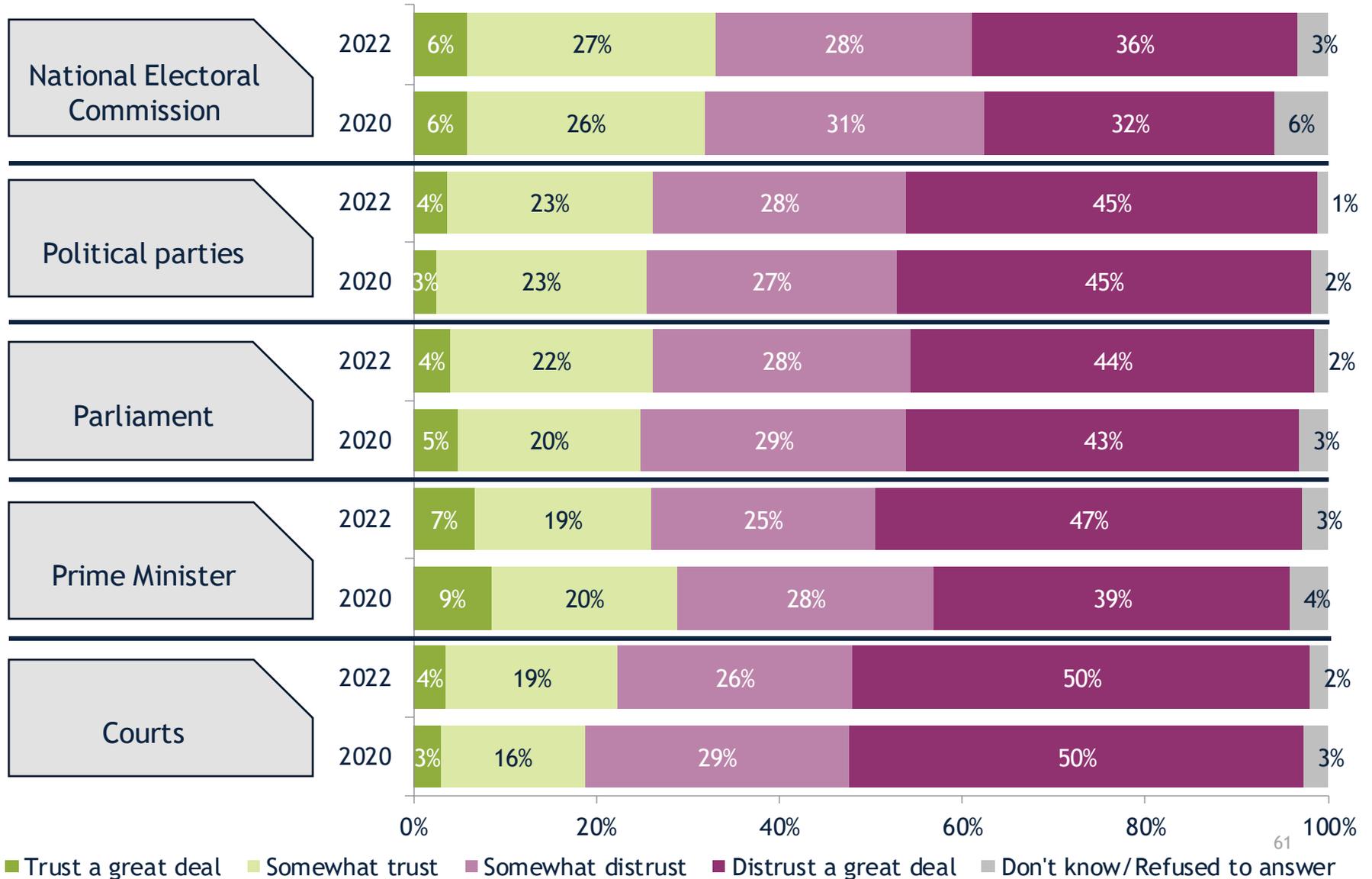


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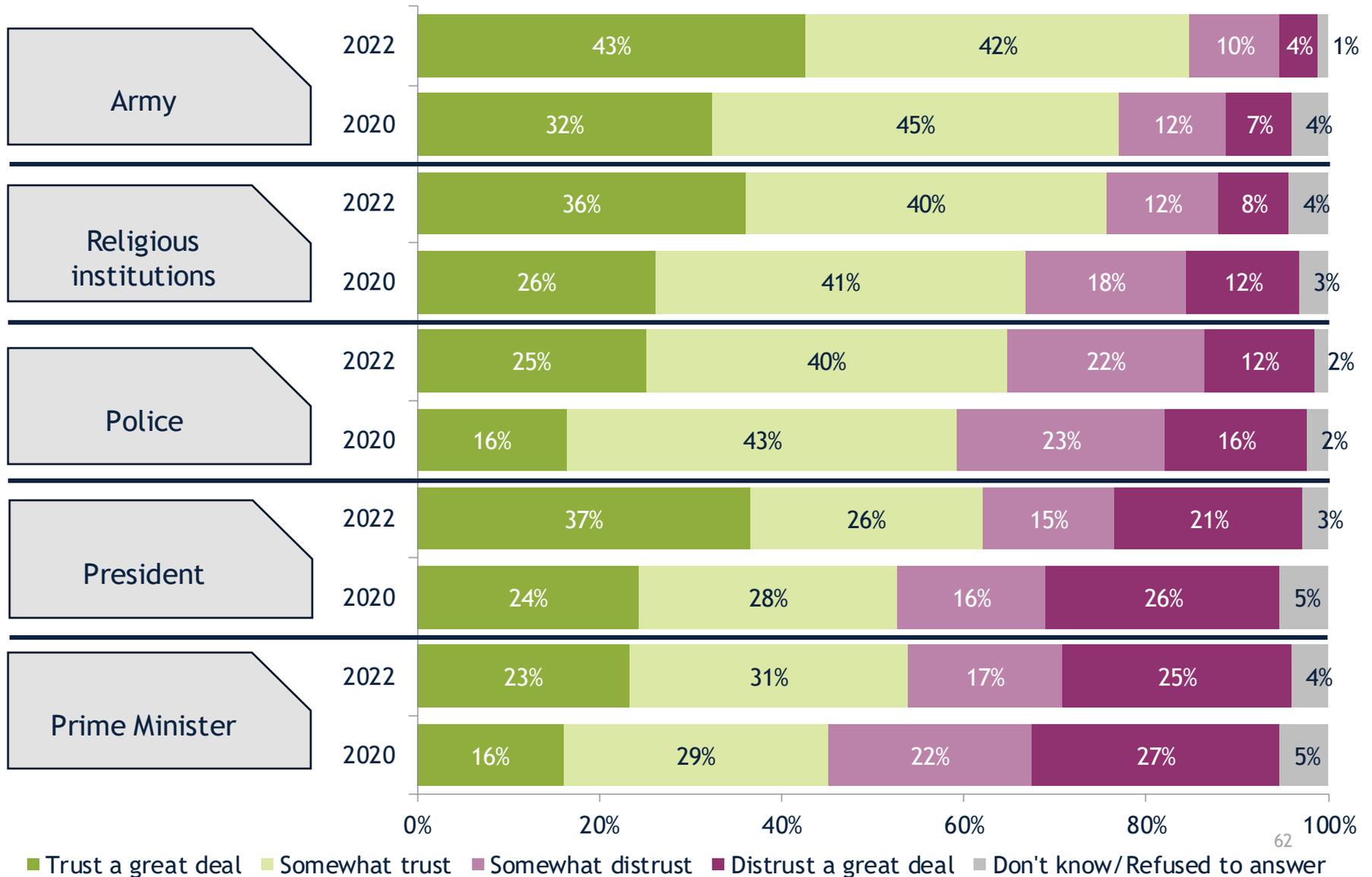
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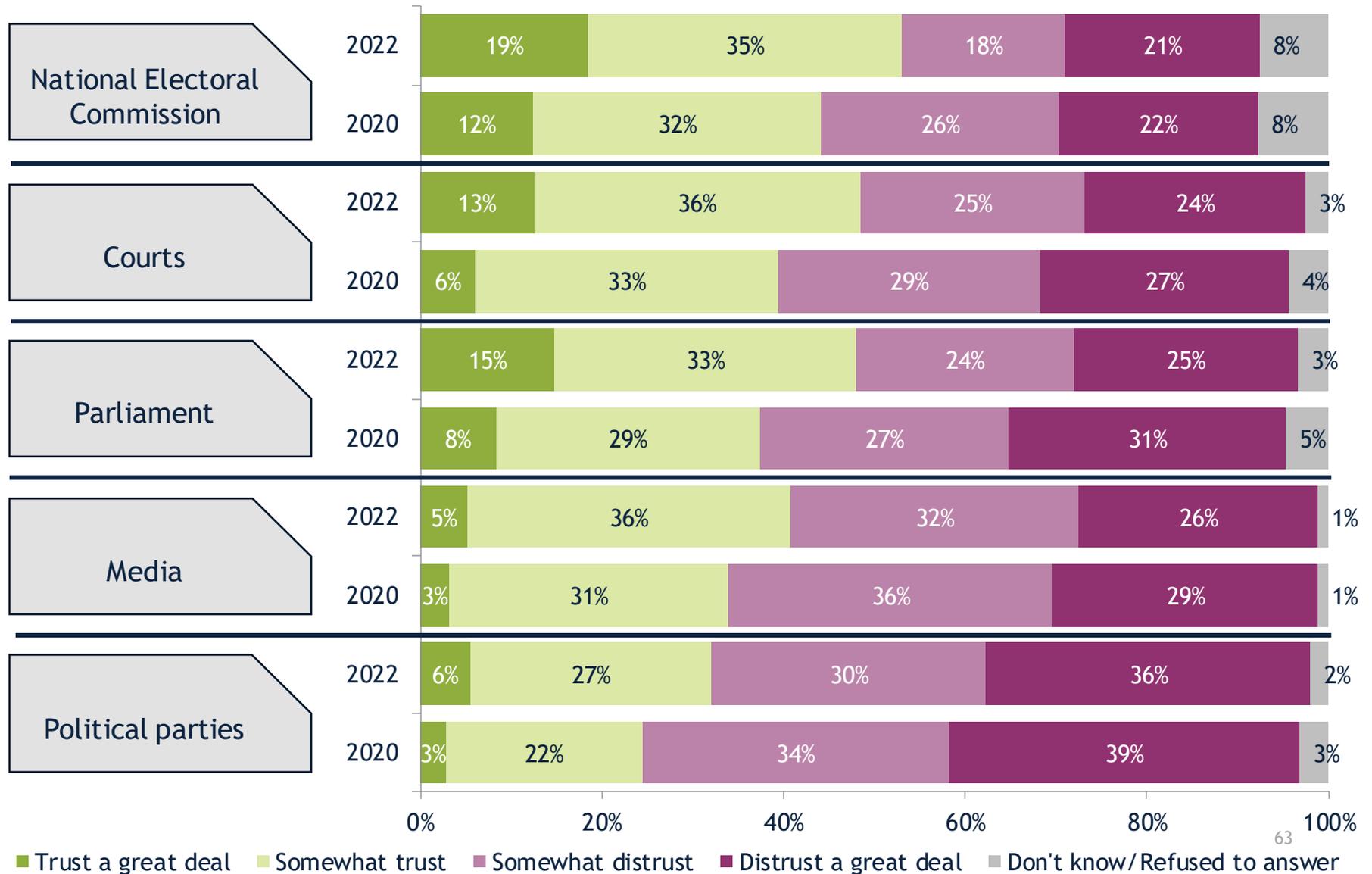
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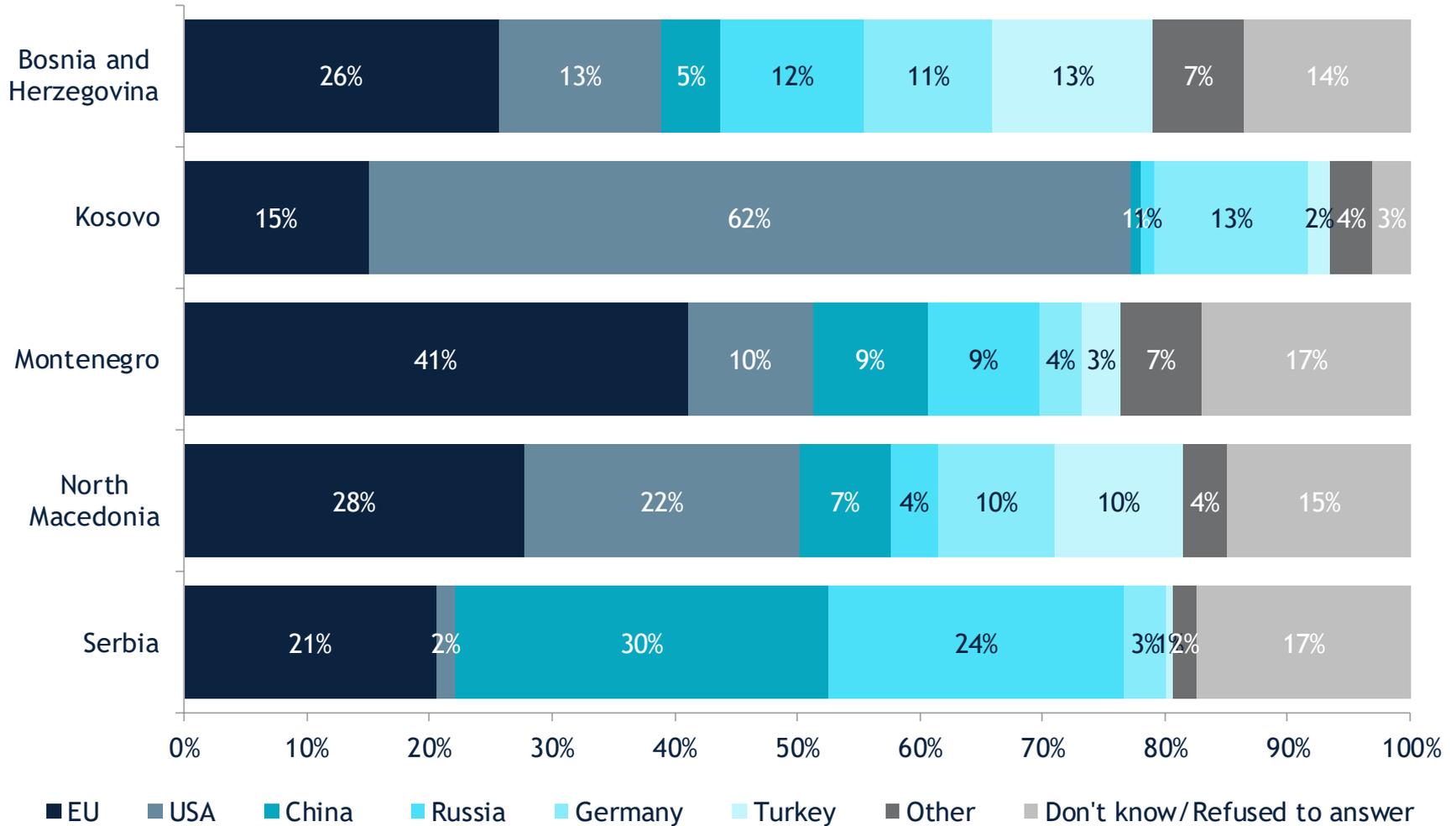
Foreign Relations and Foreign Influence





Which country/bloc is the biggest foreign donor to our country?

(Spontaneous response)

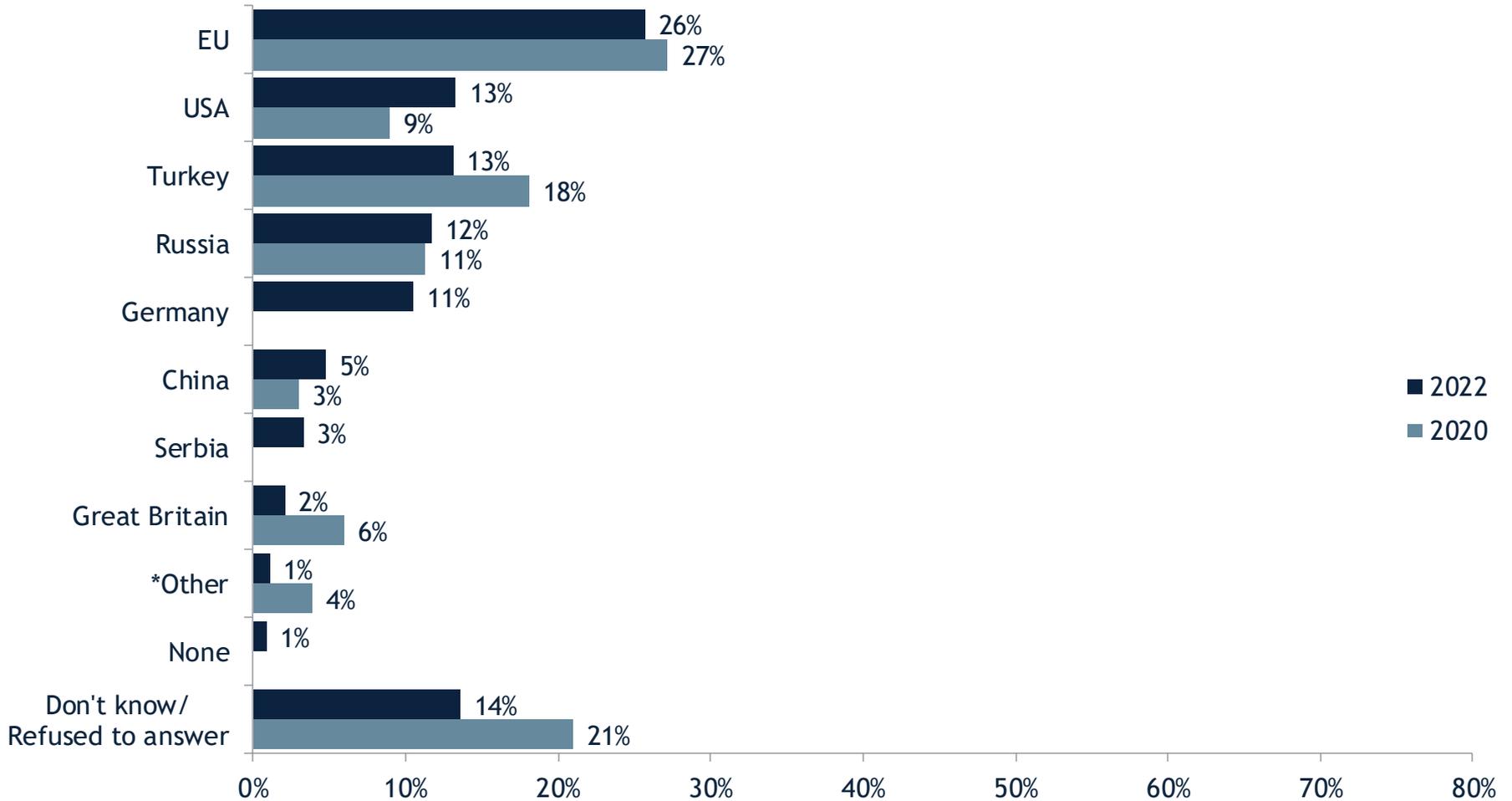


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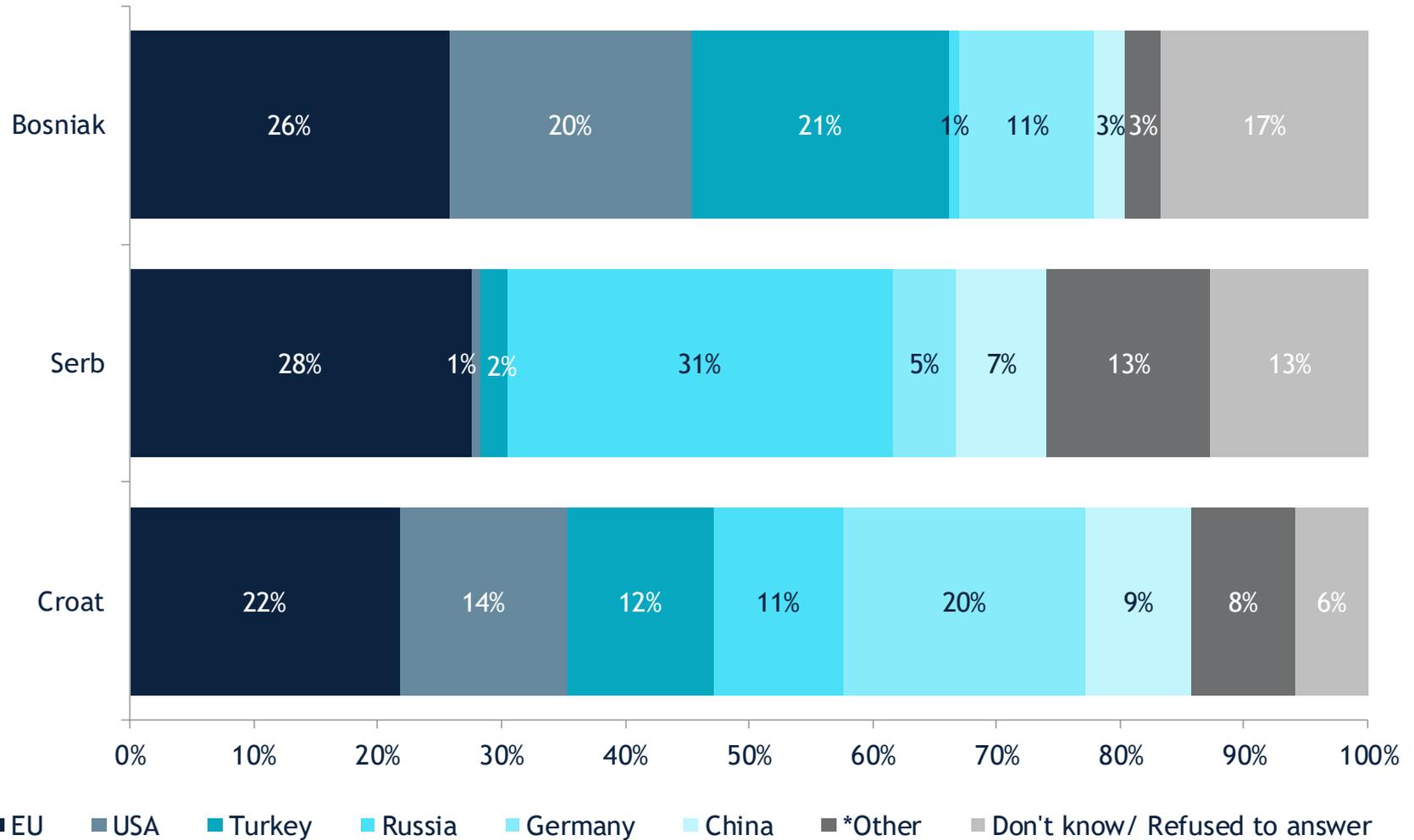


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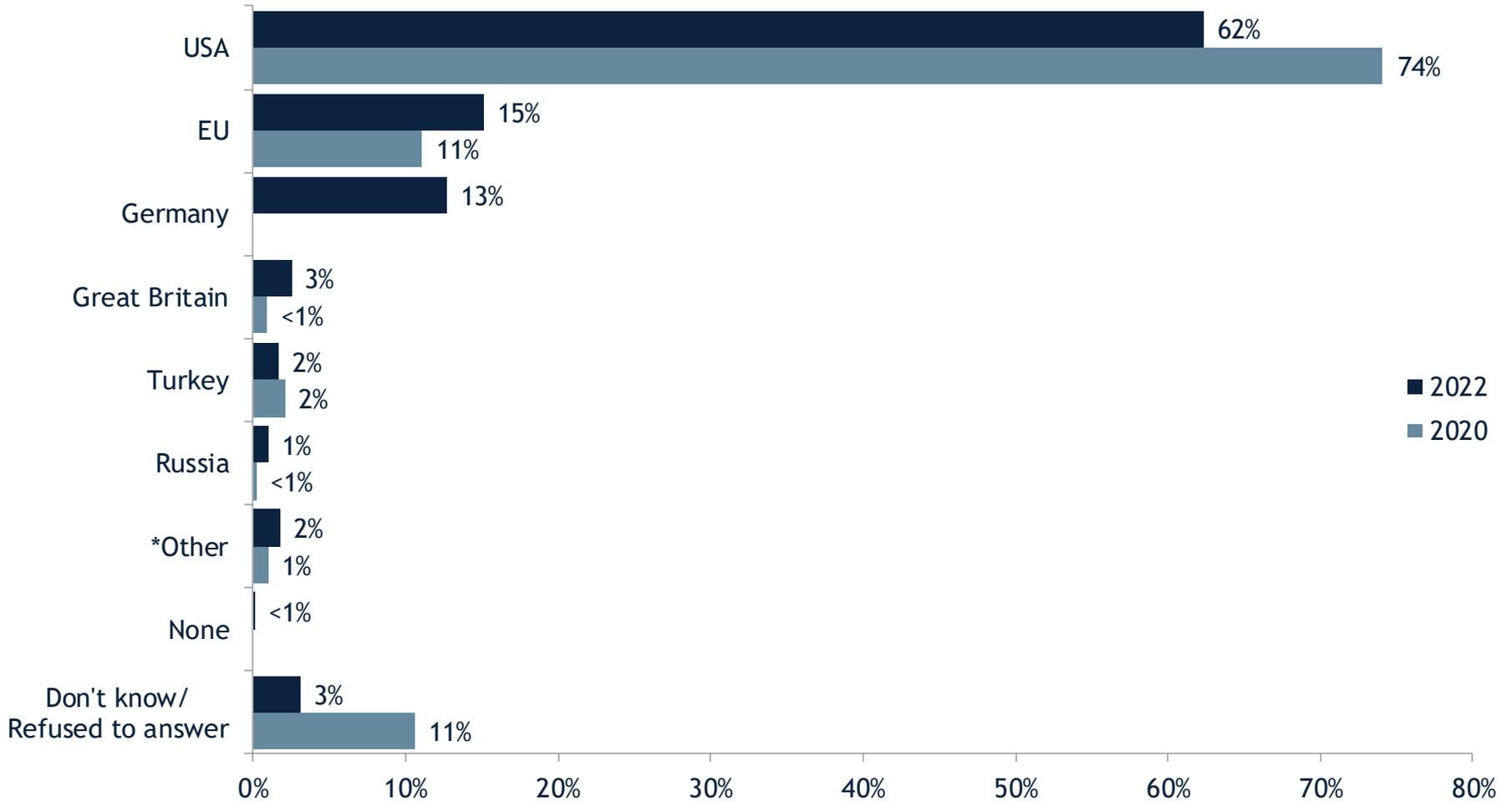


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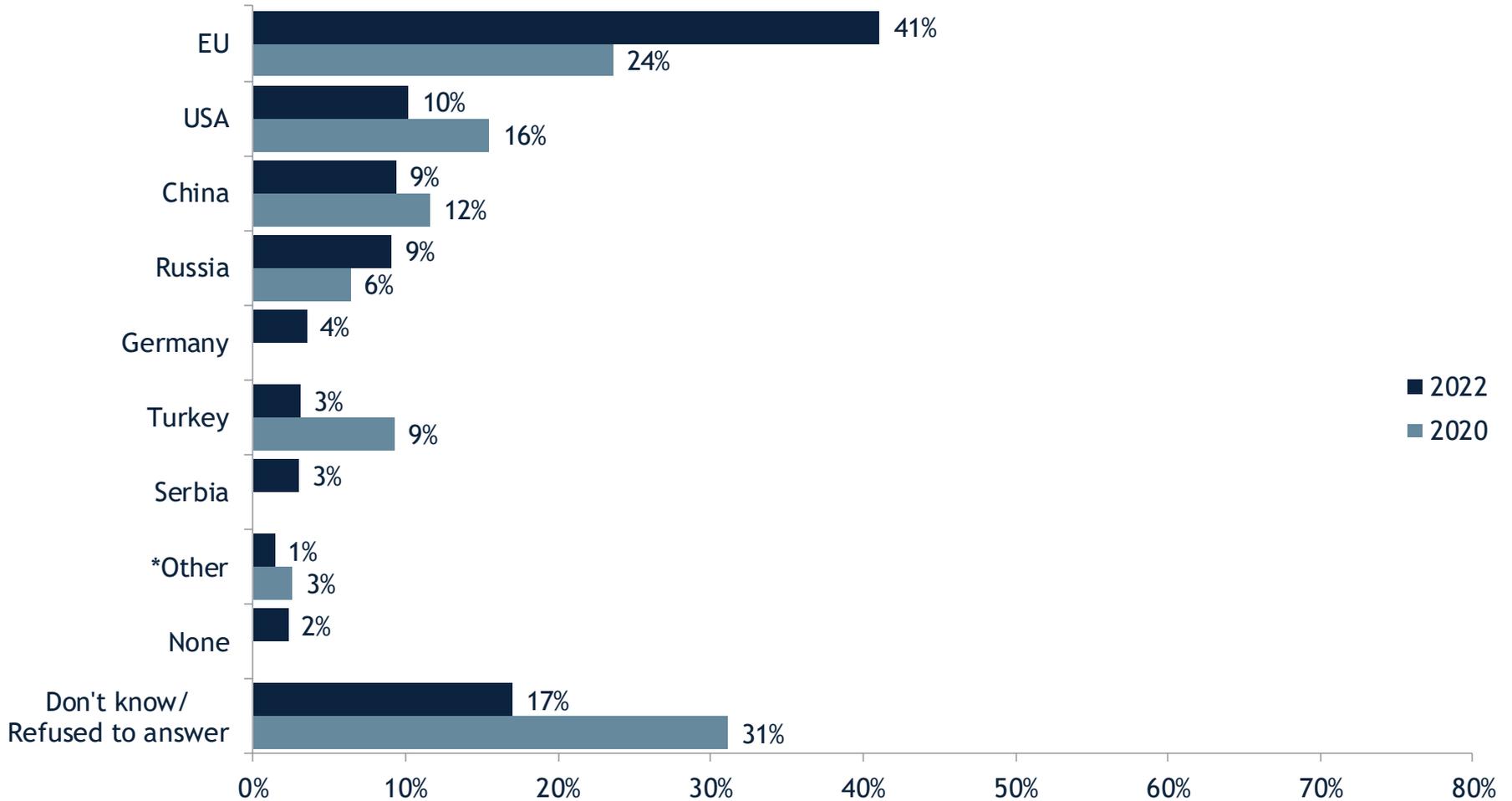


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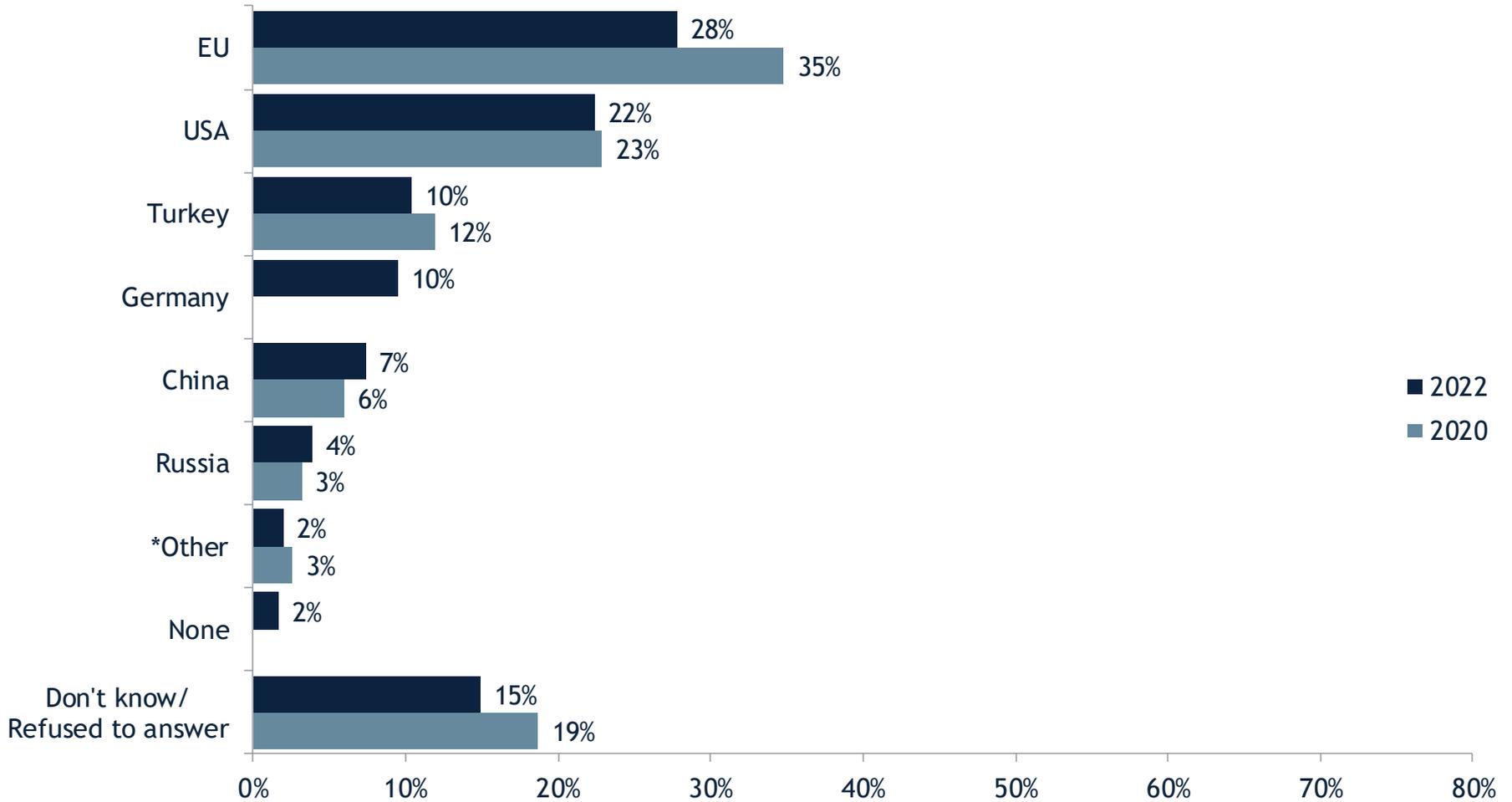


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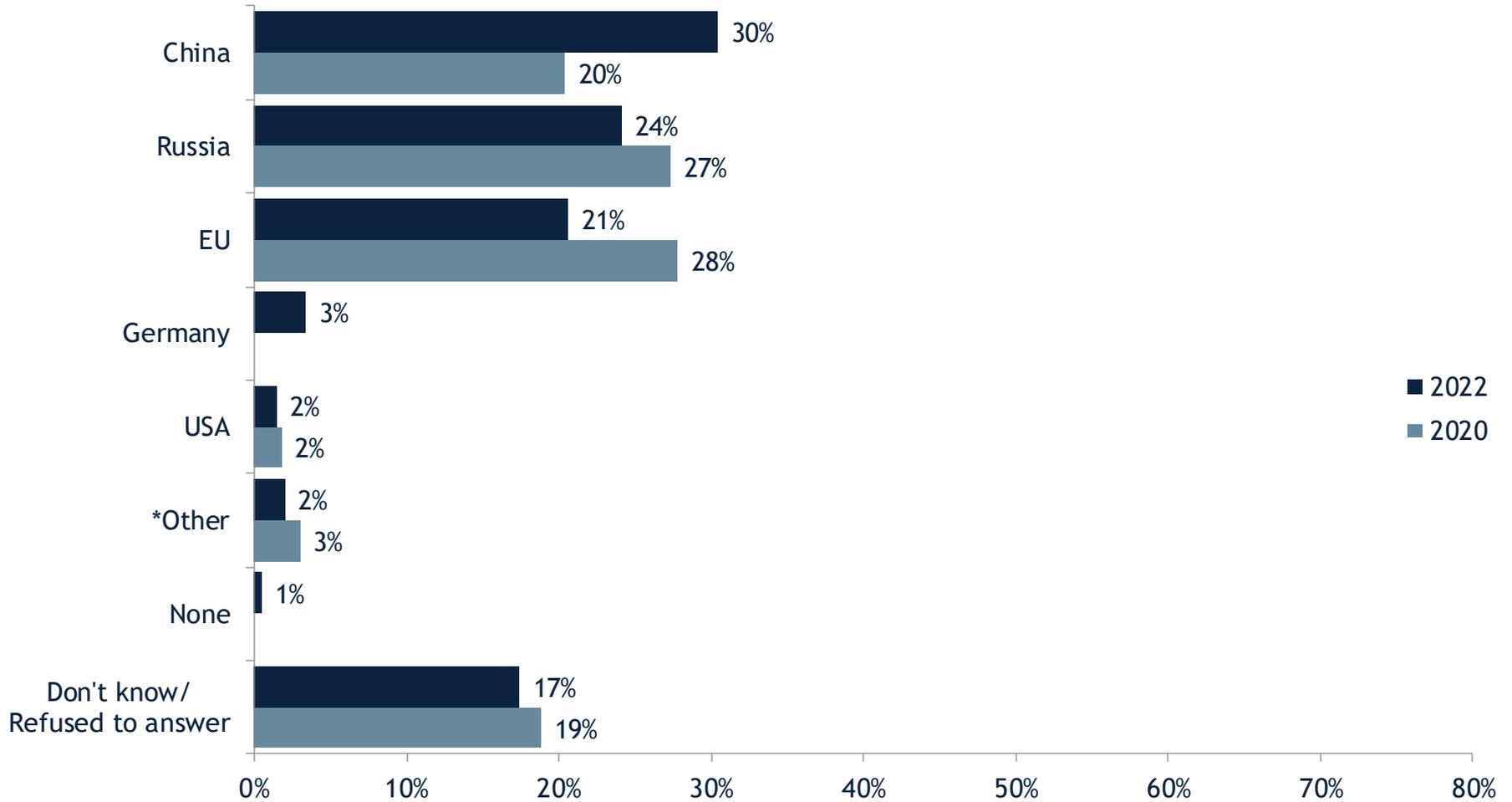


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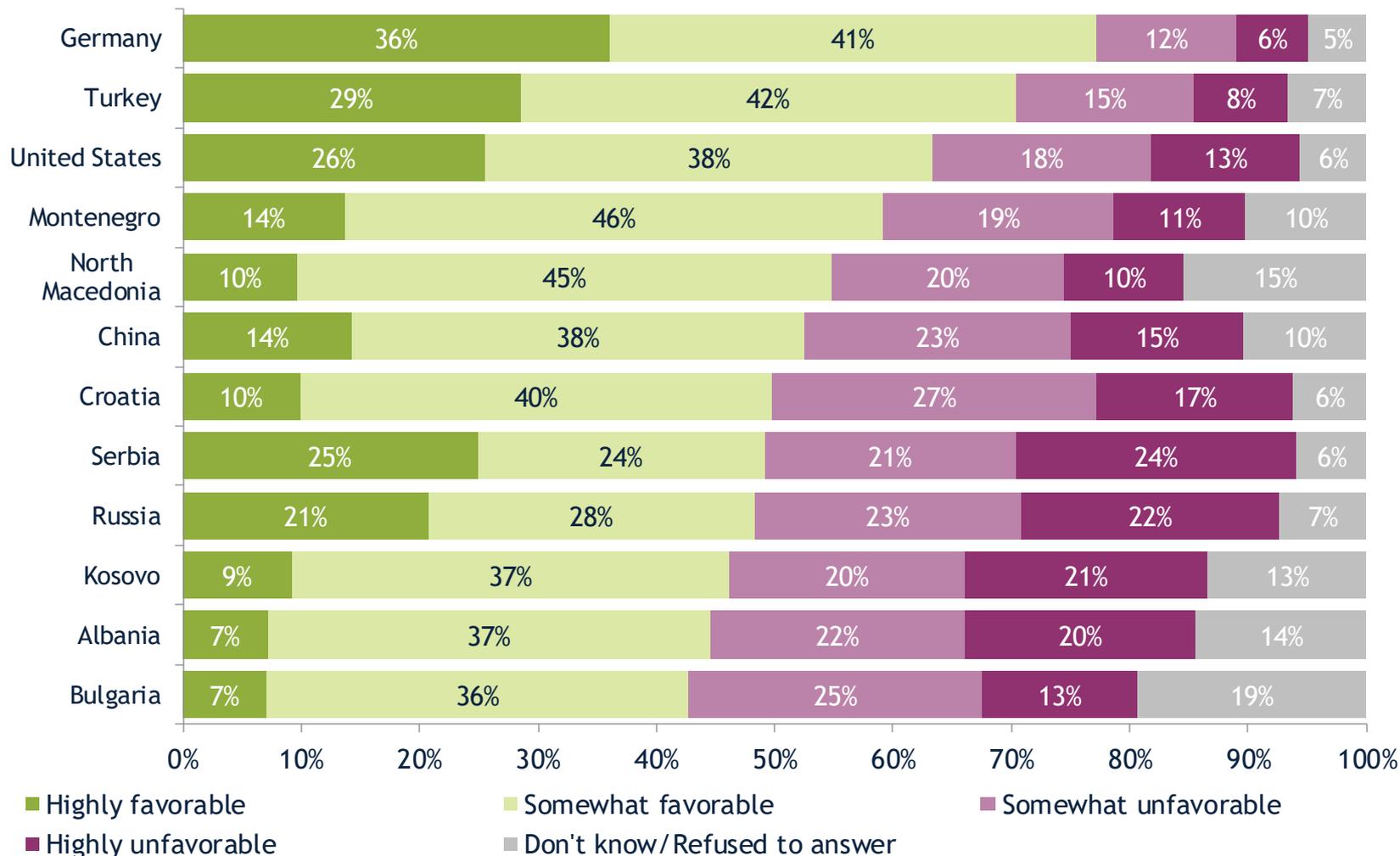
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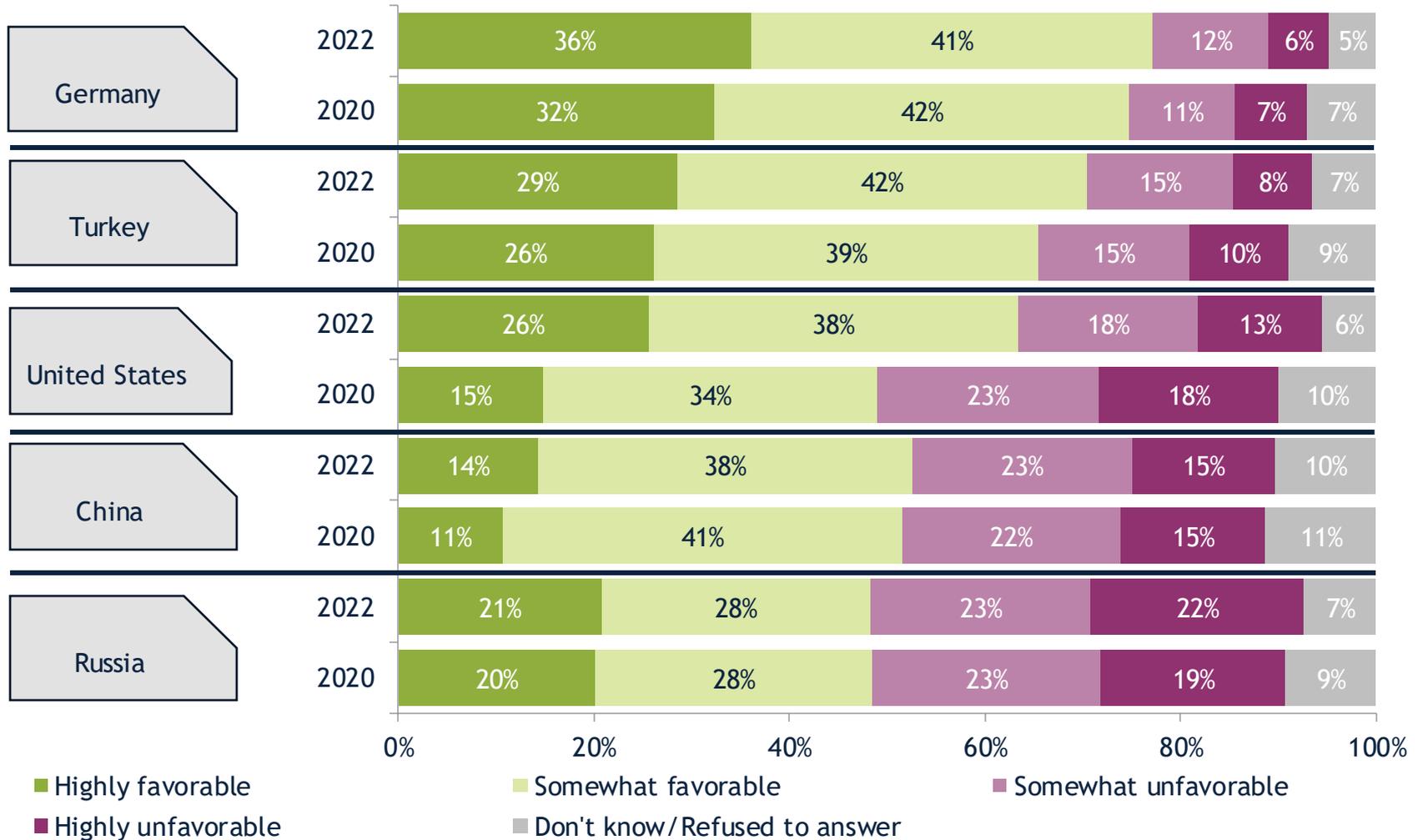
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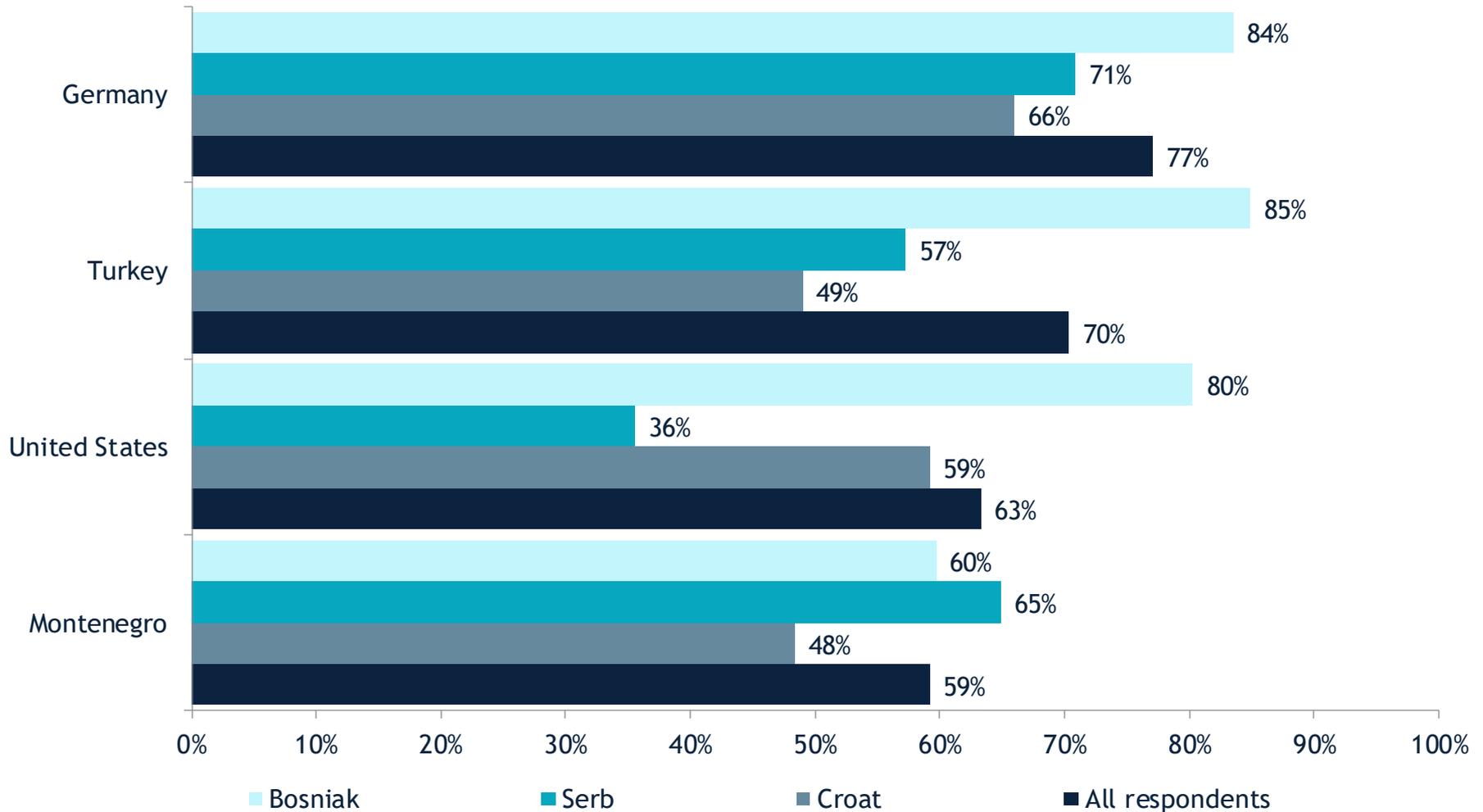
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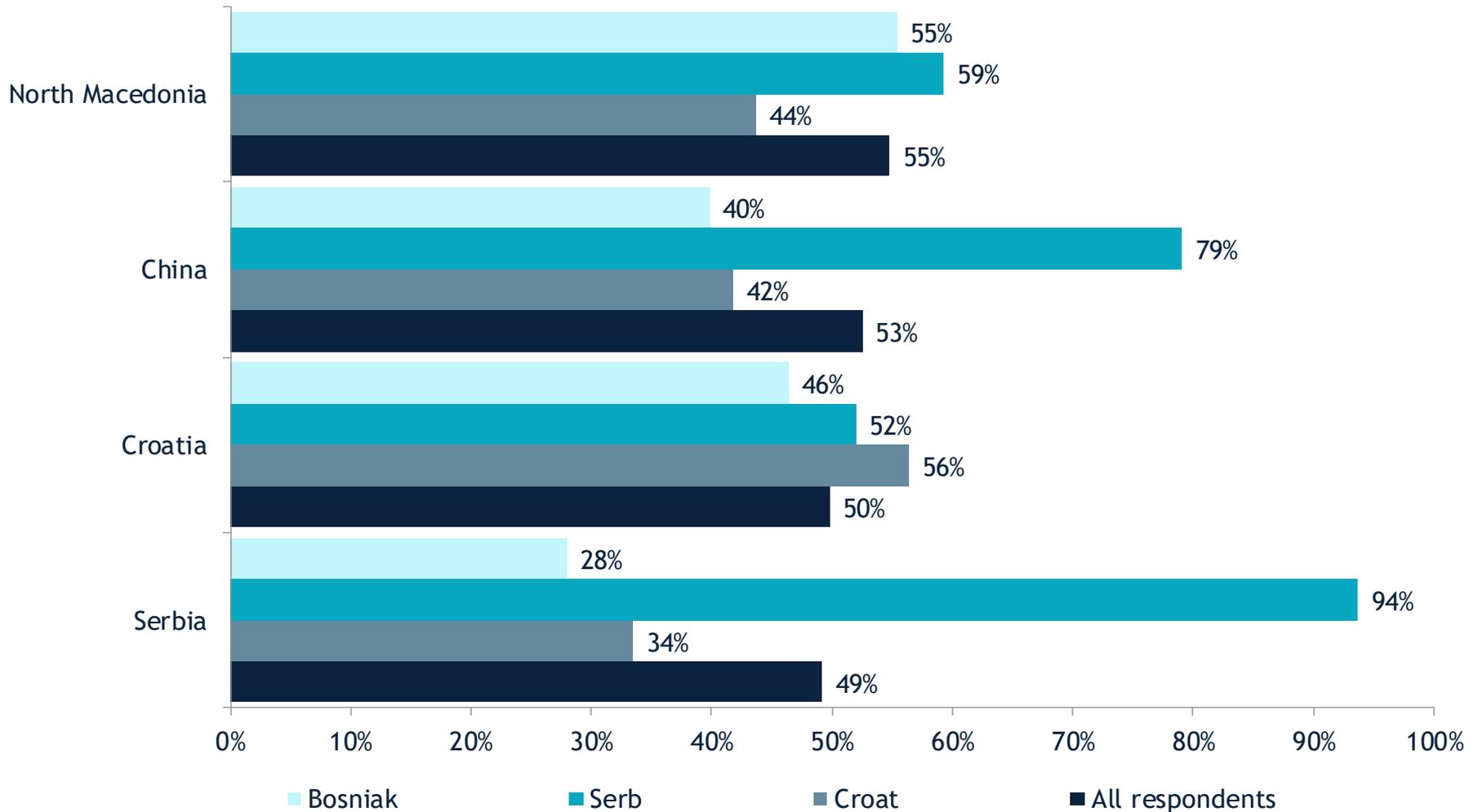


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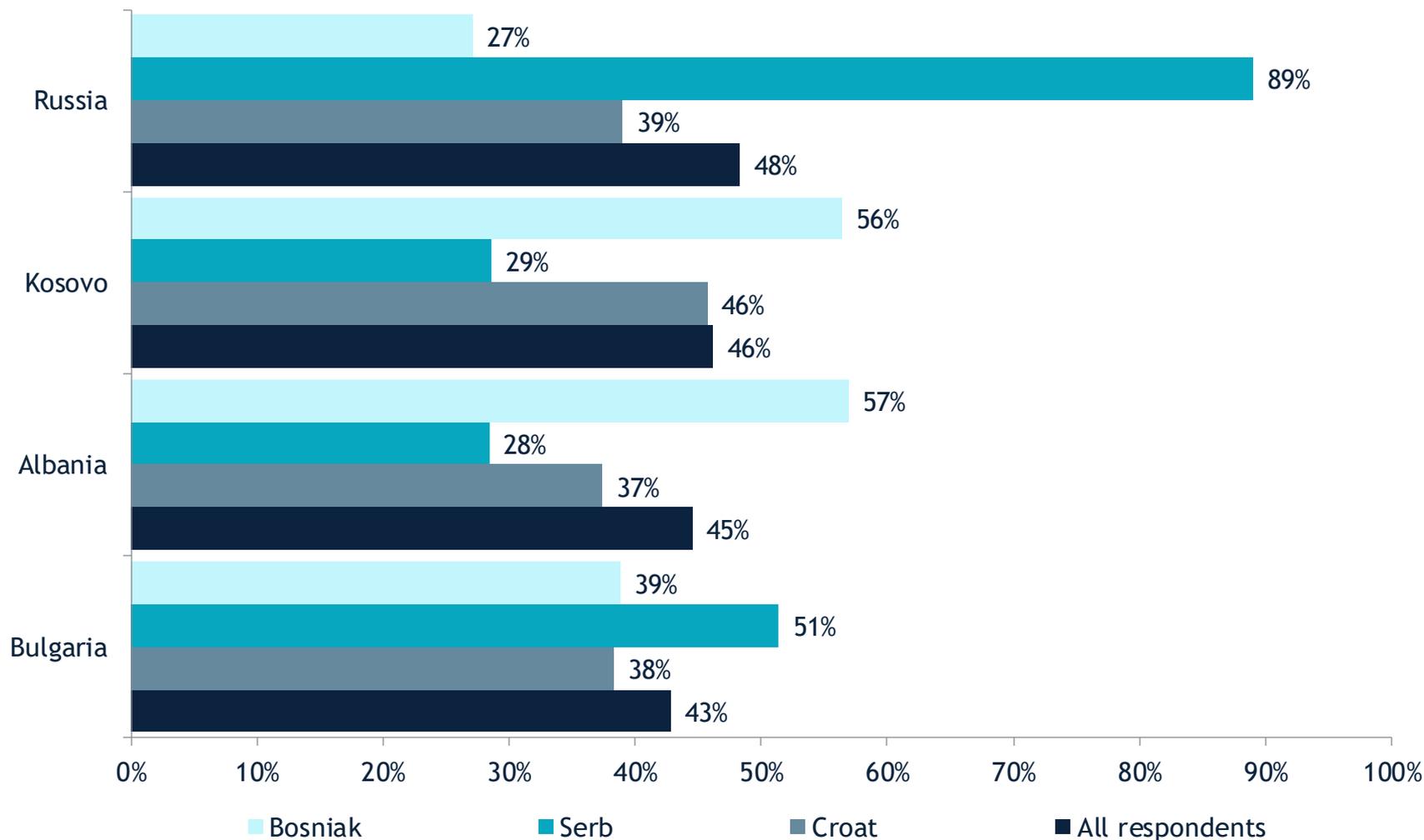


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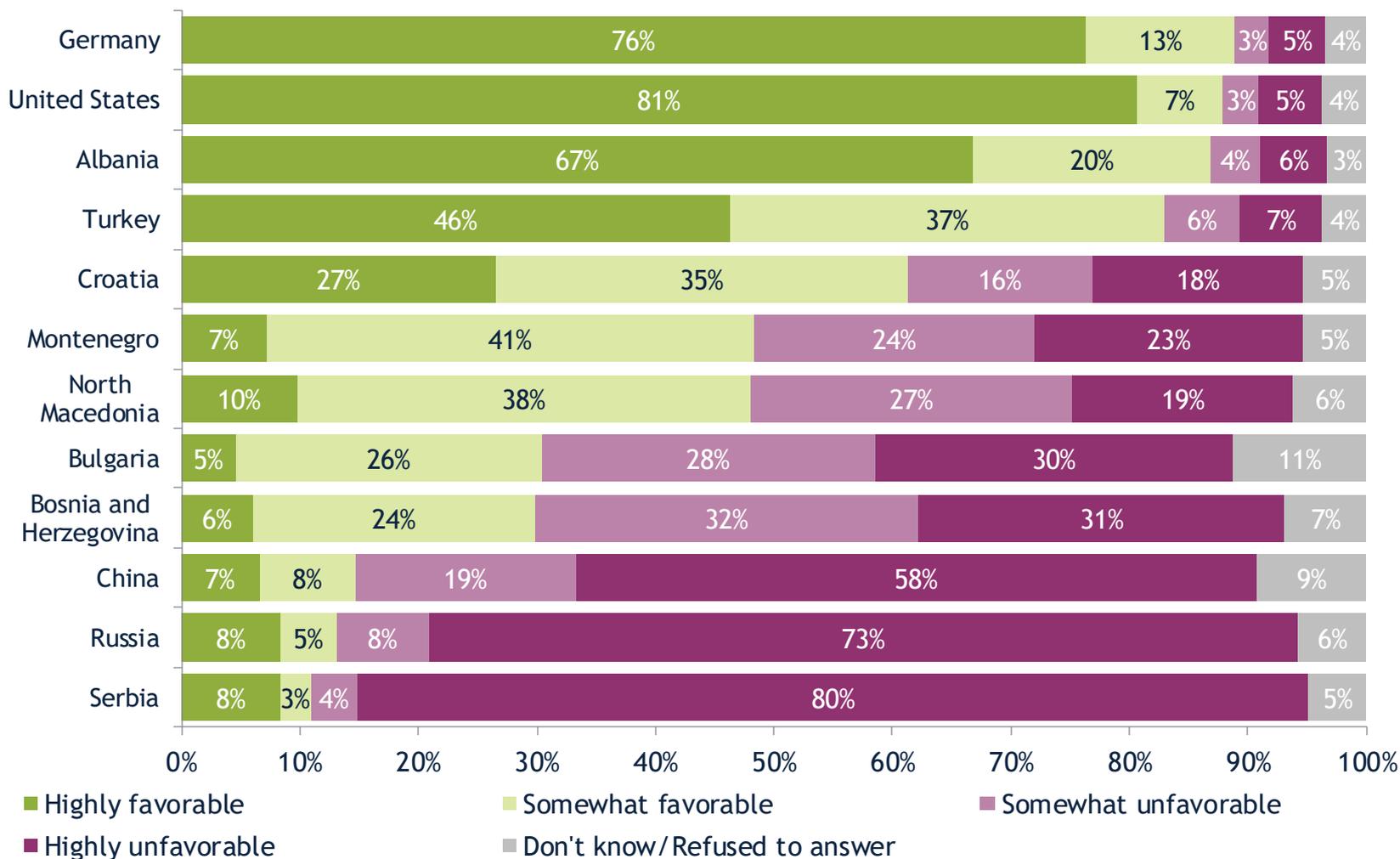
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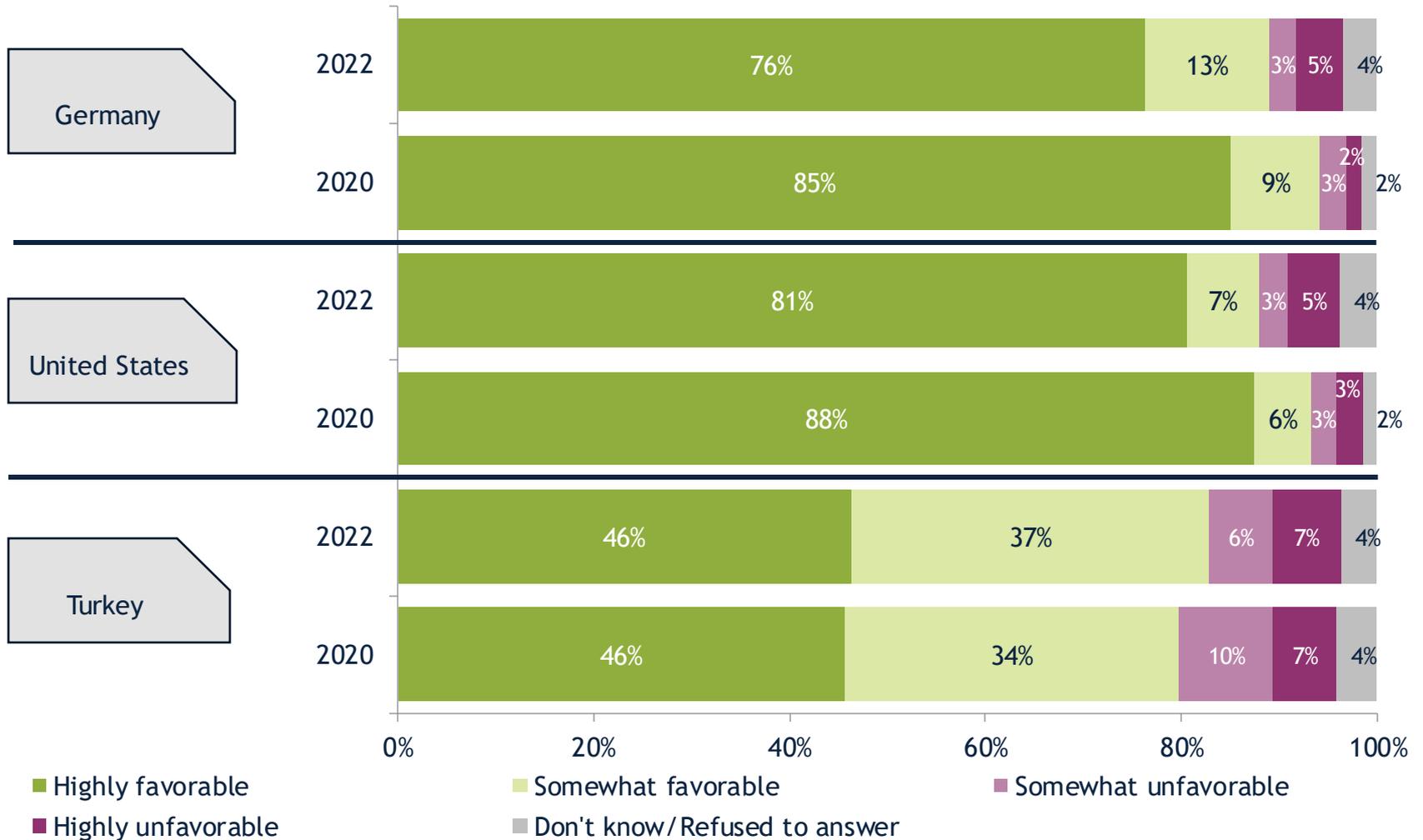
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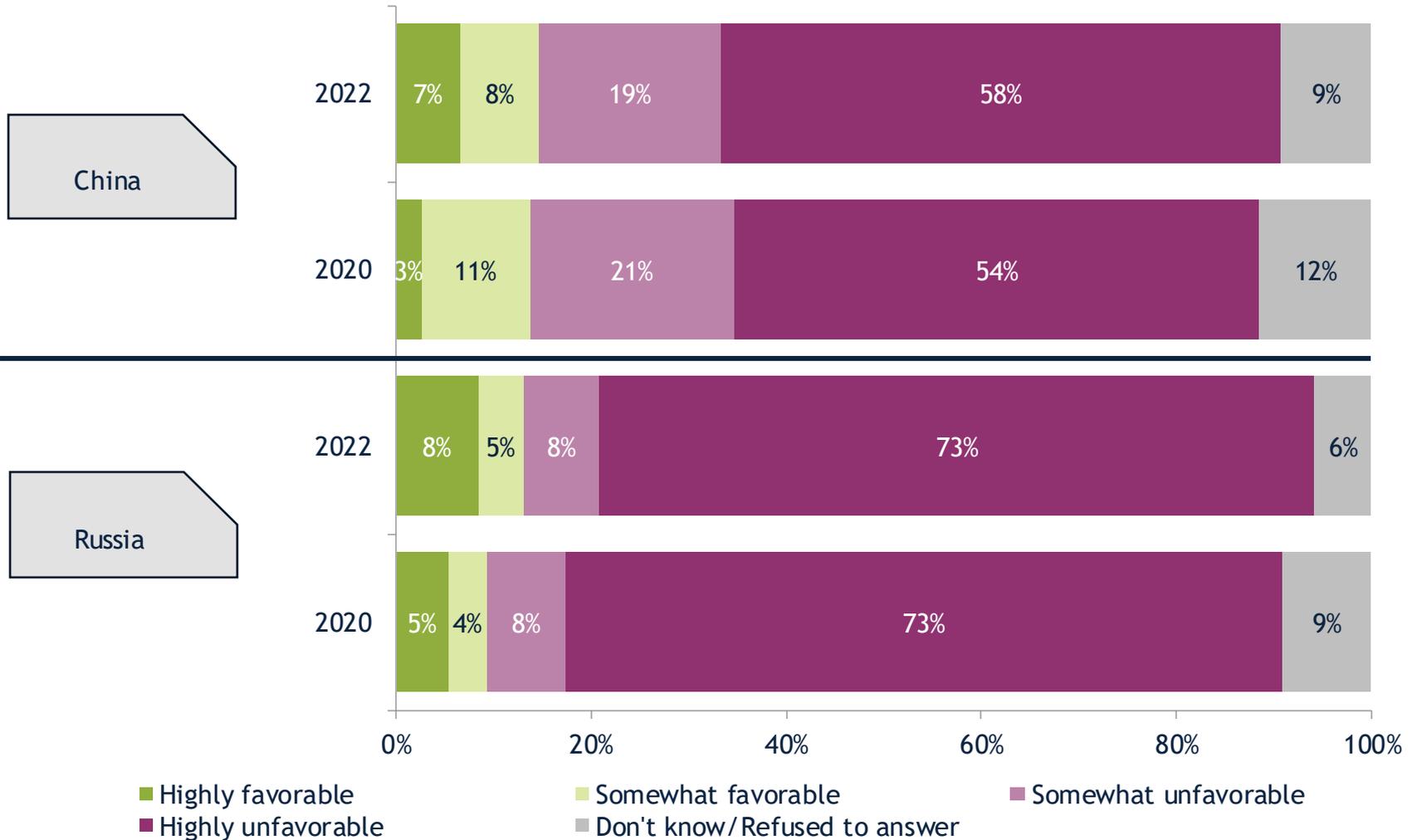
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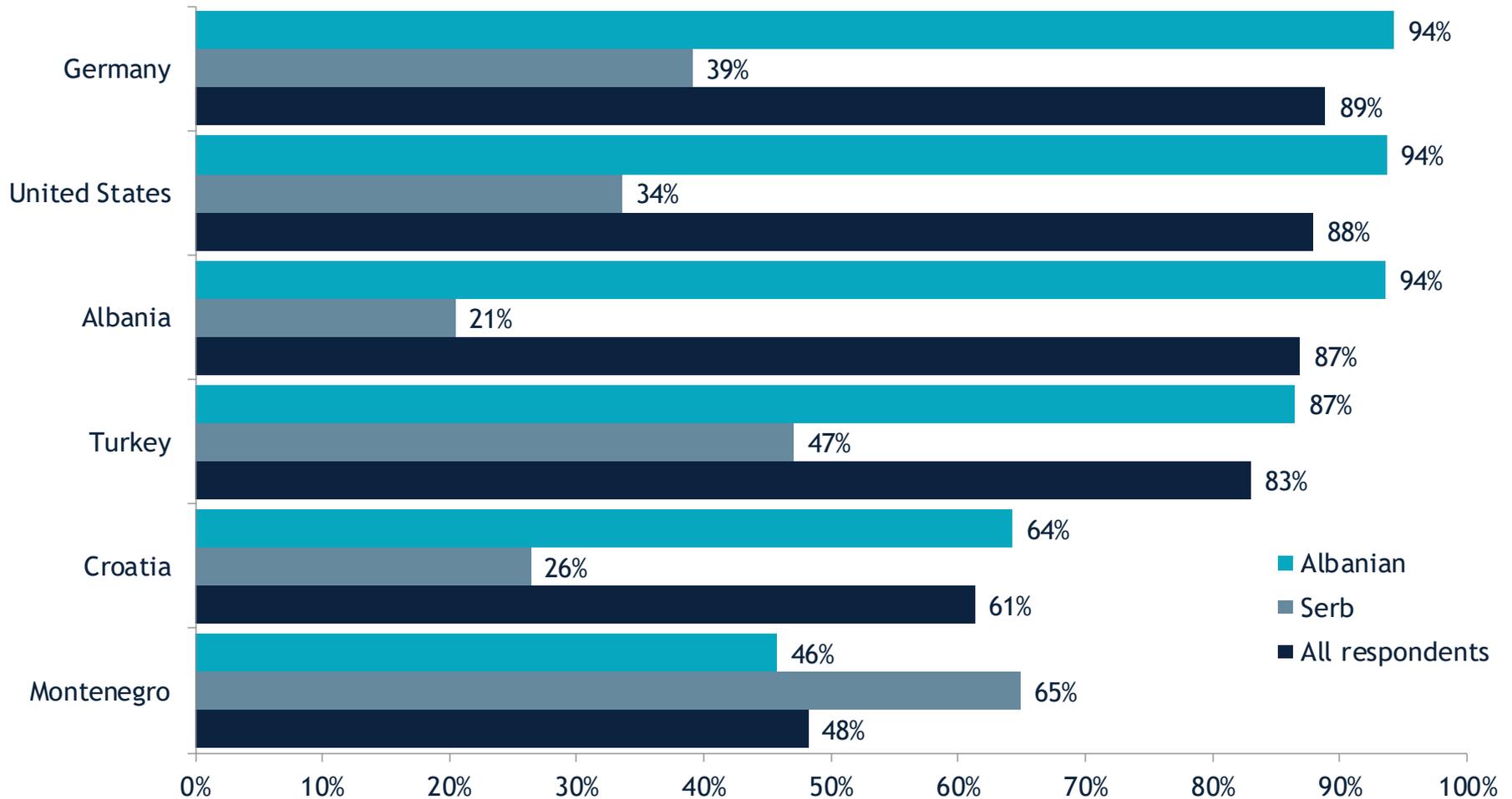
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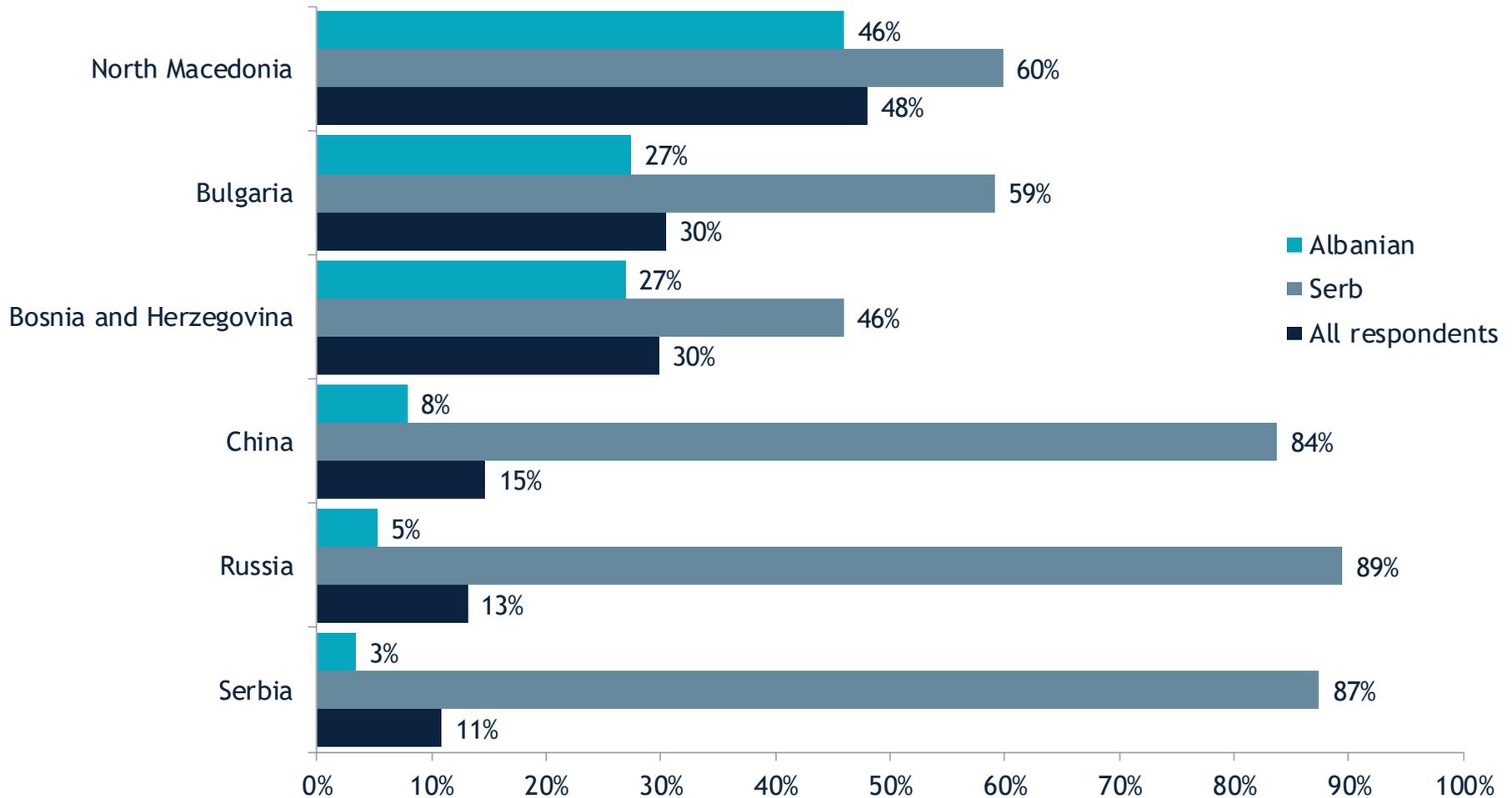
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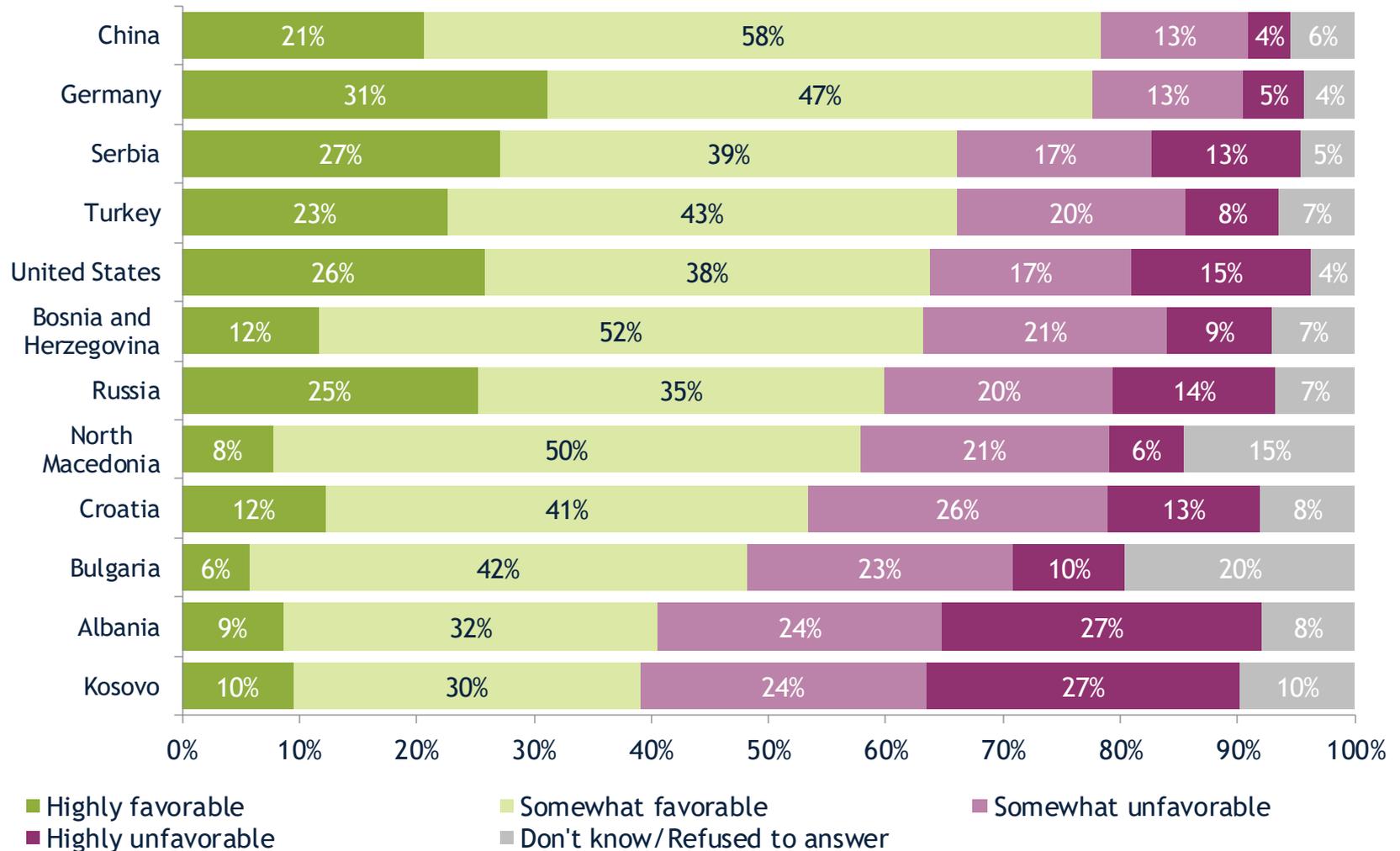
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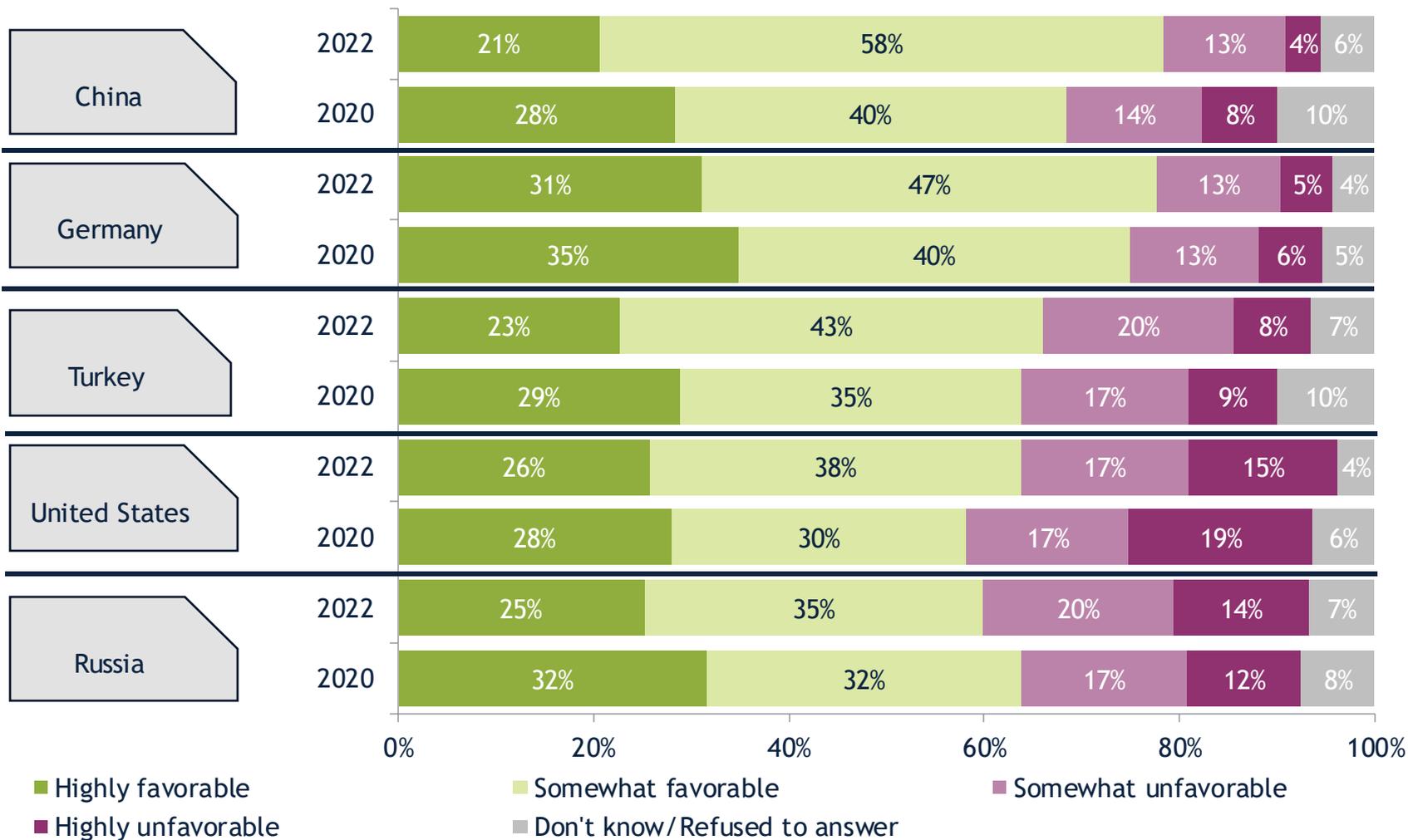
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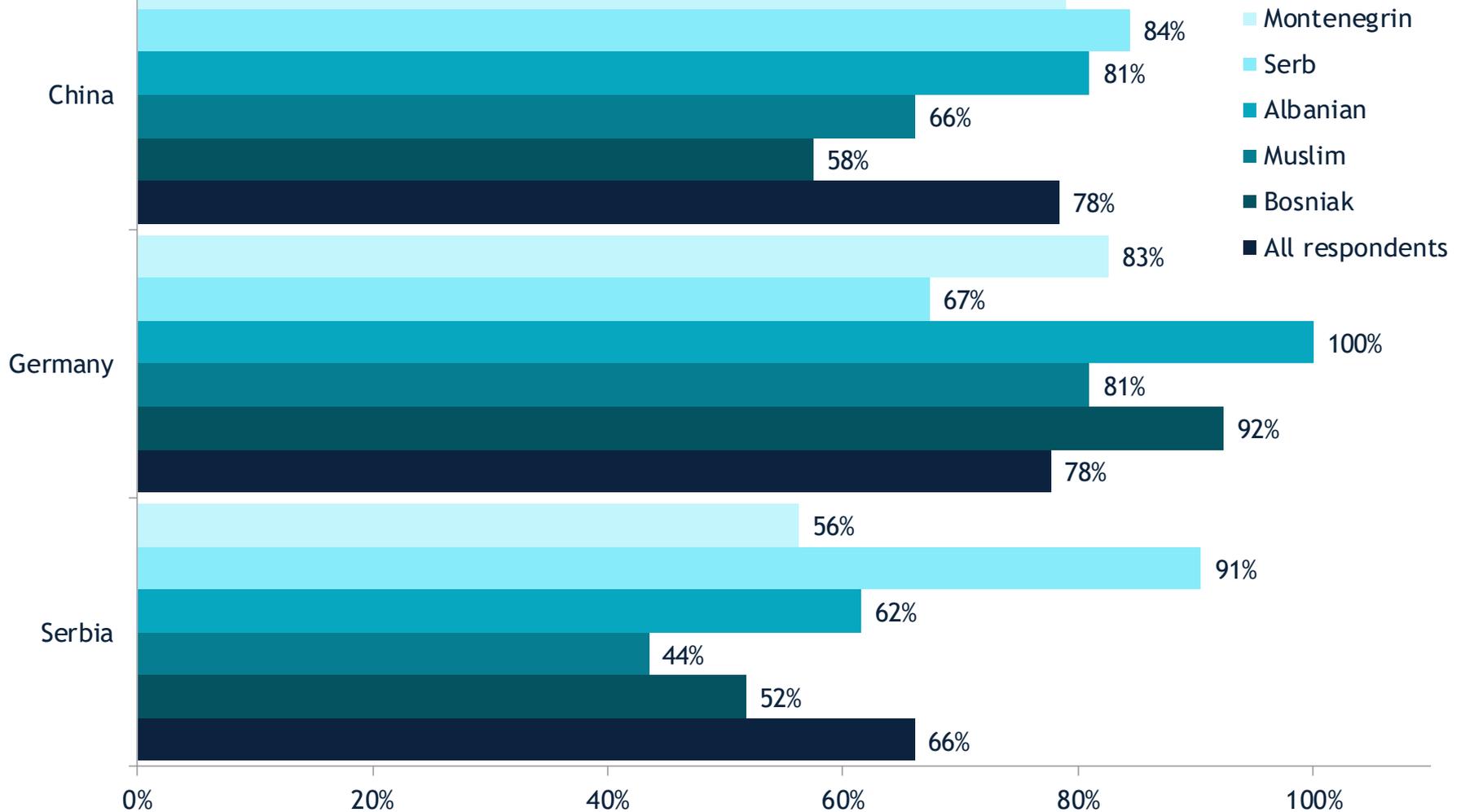
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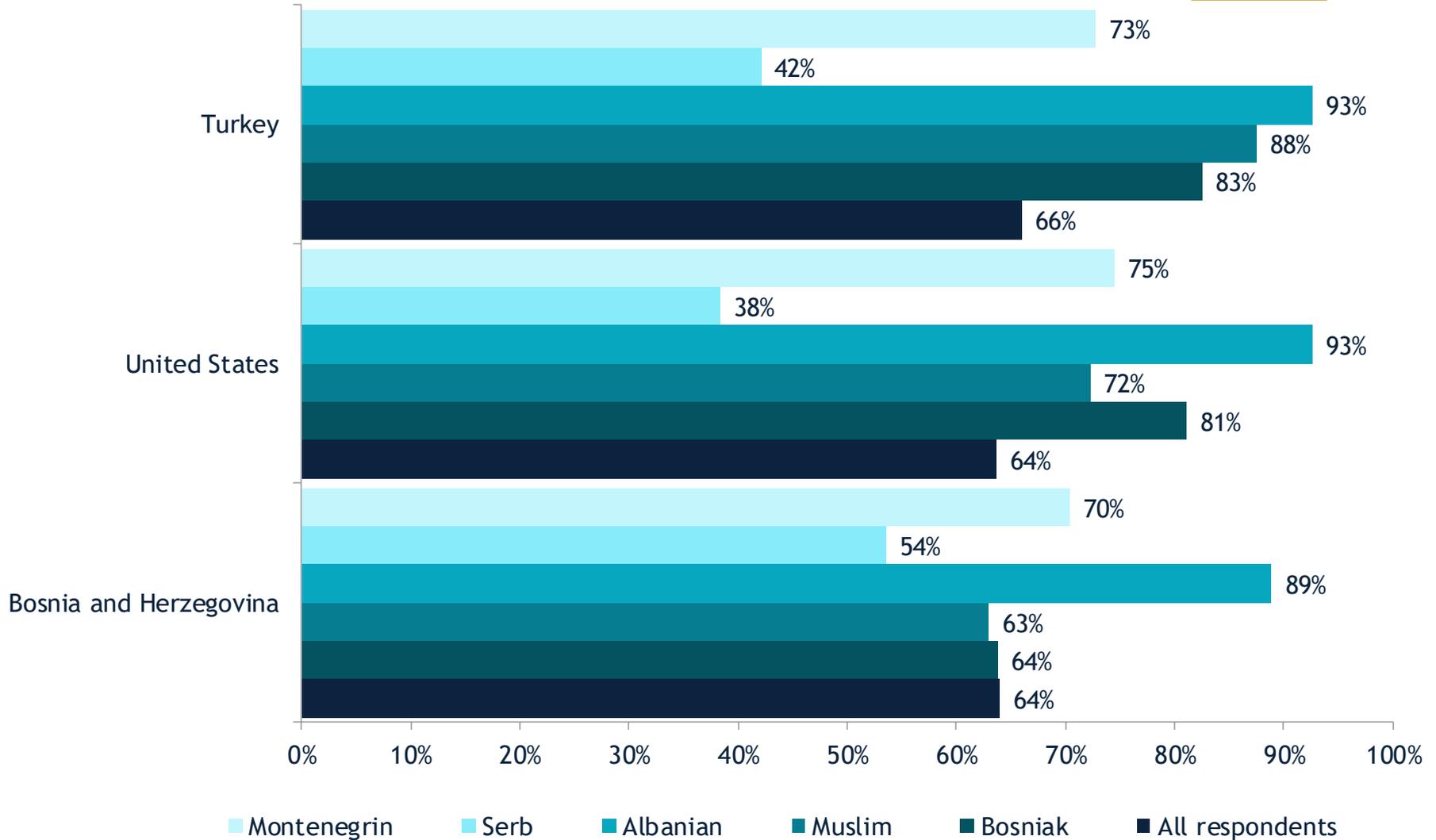
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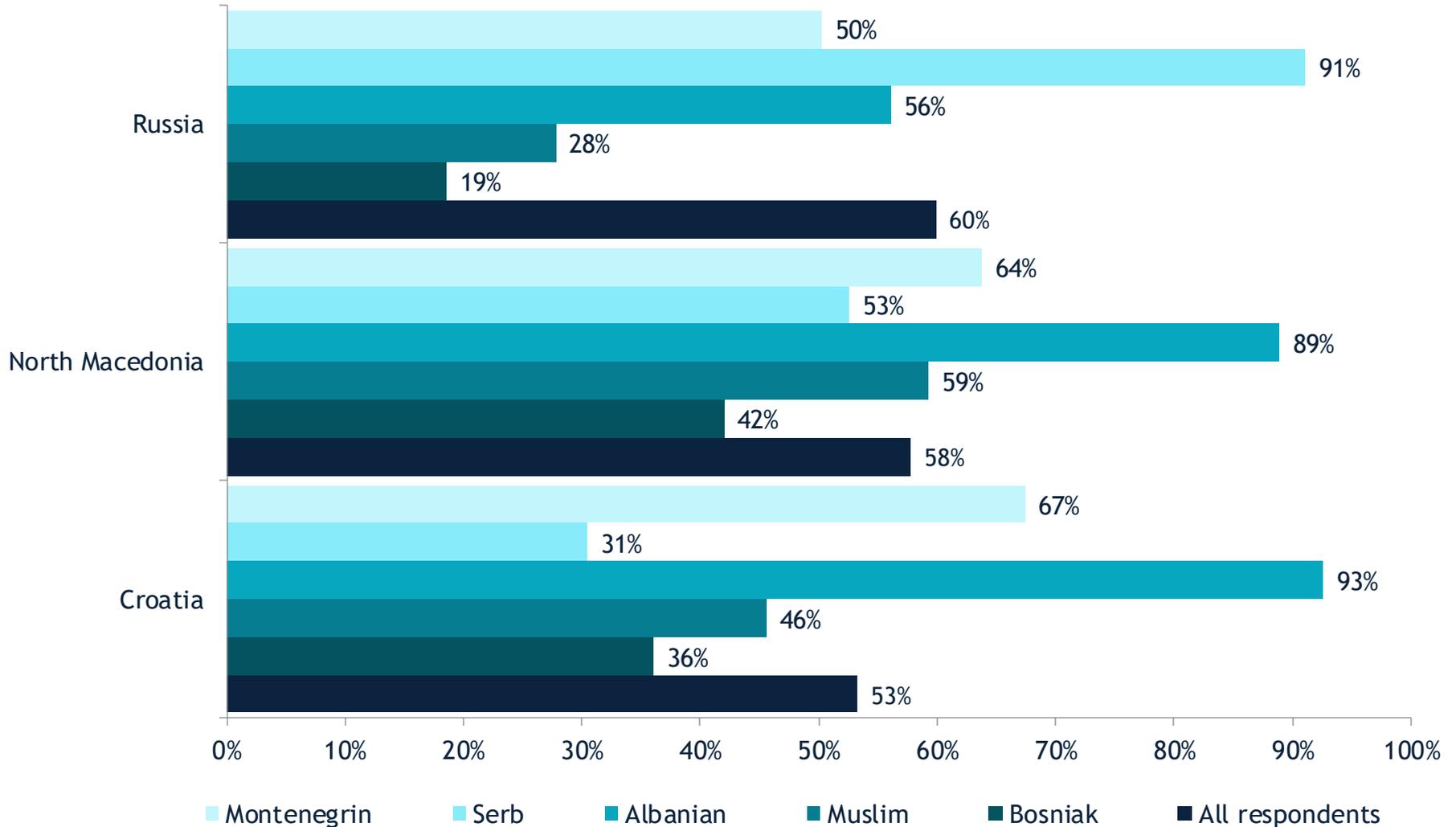


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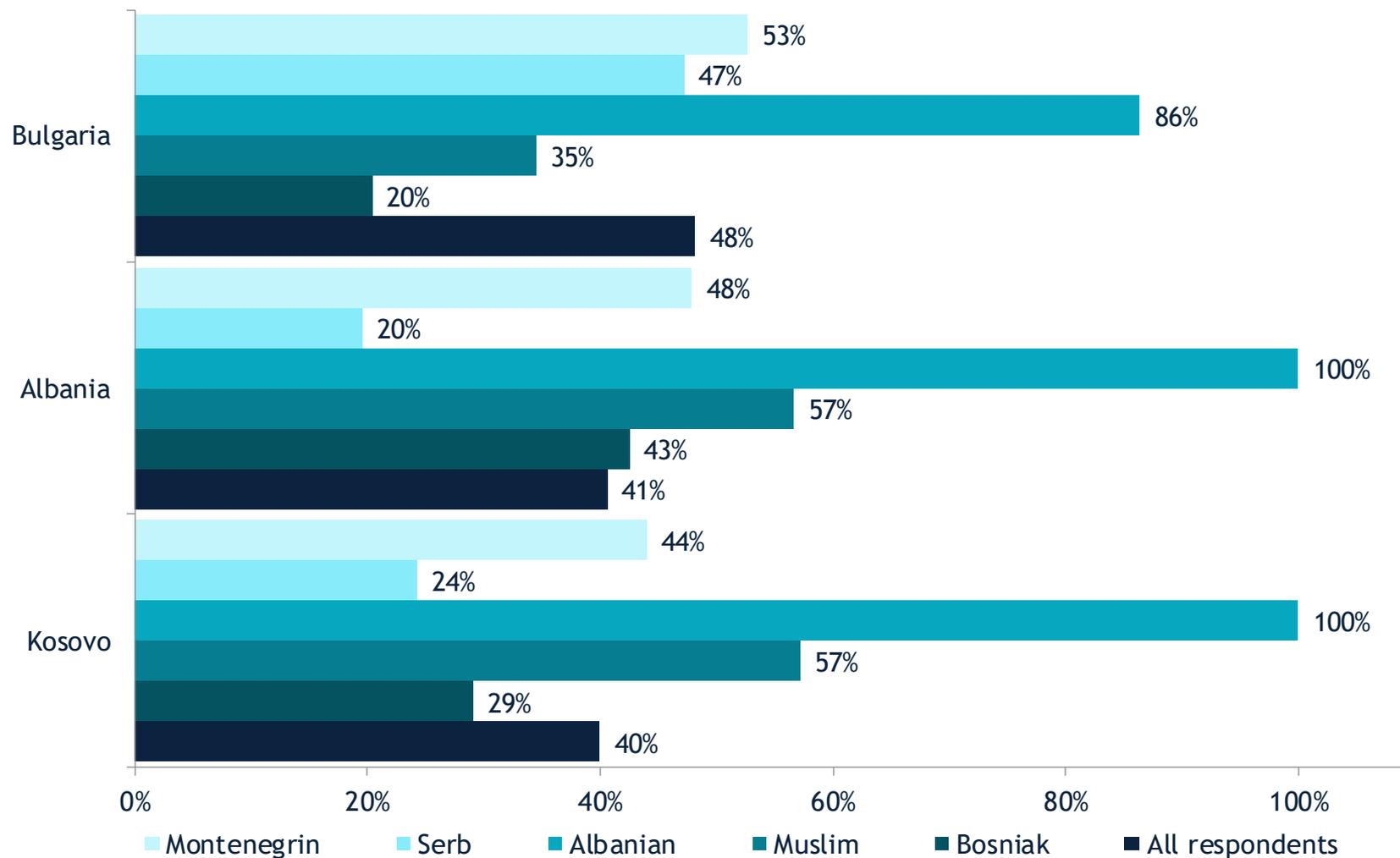


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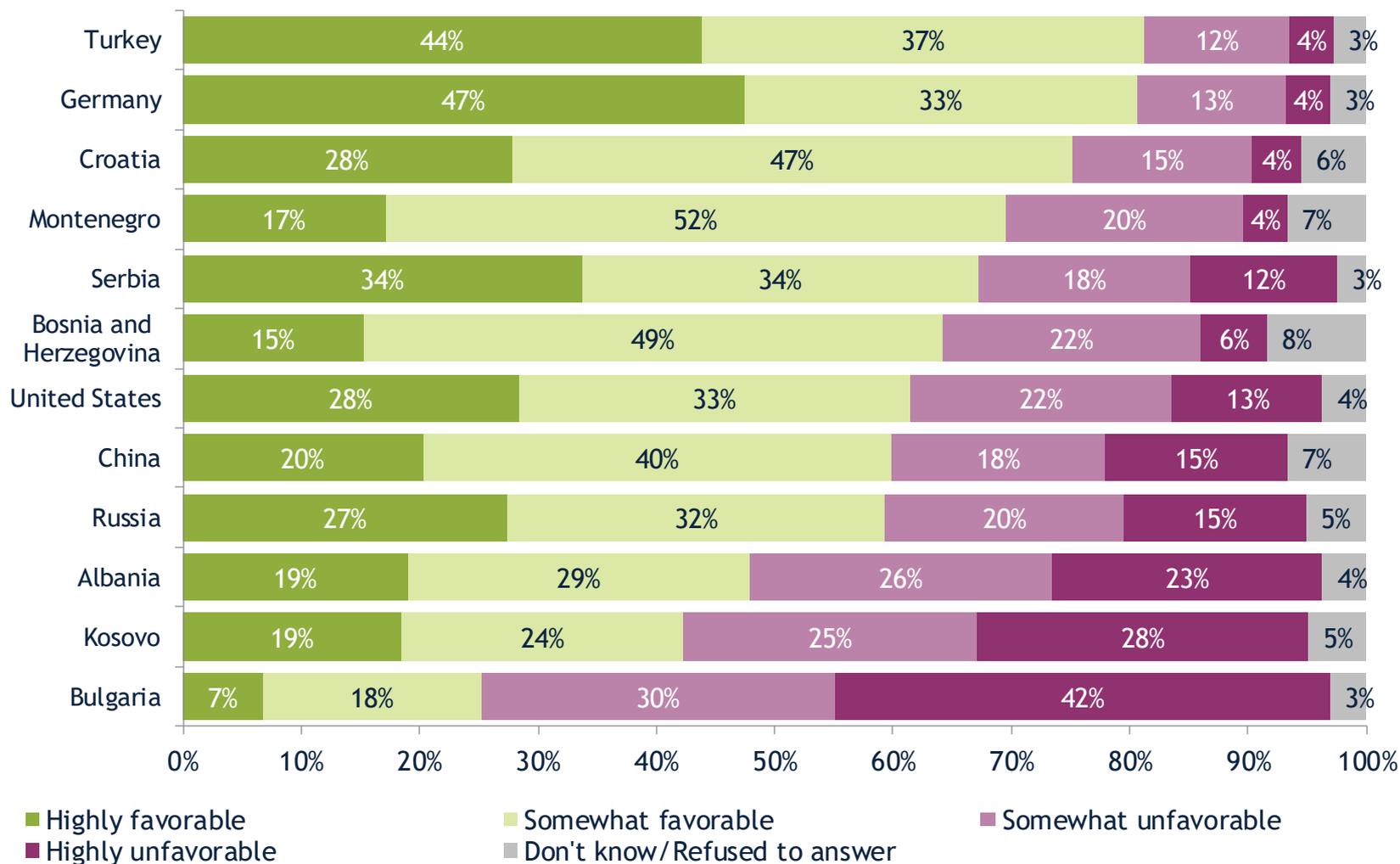
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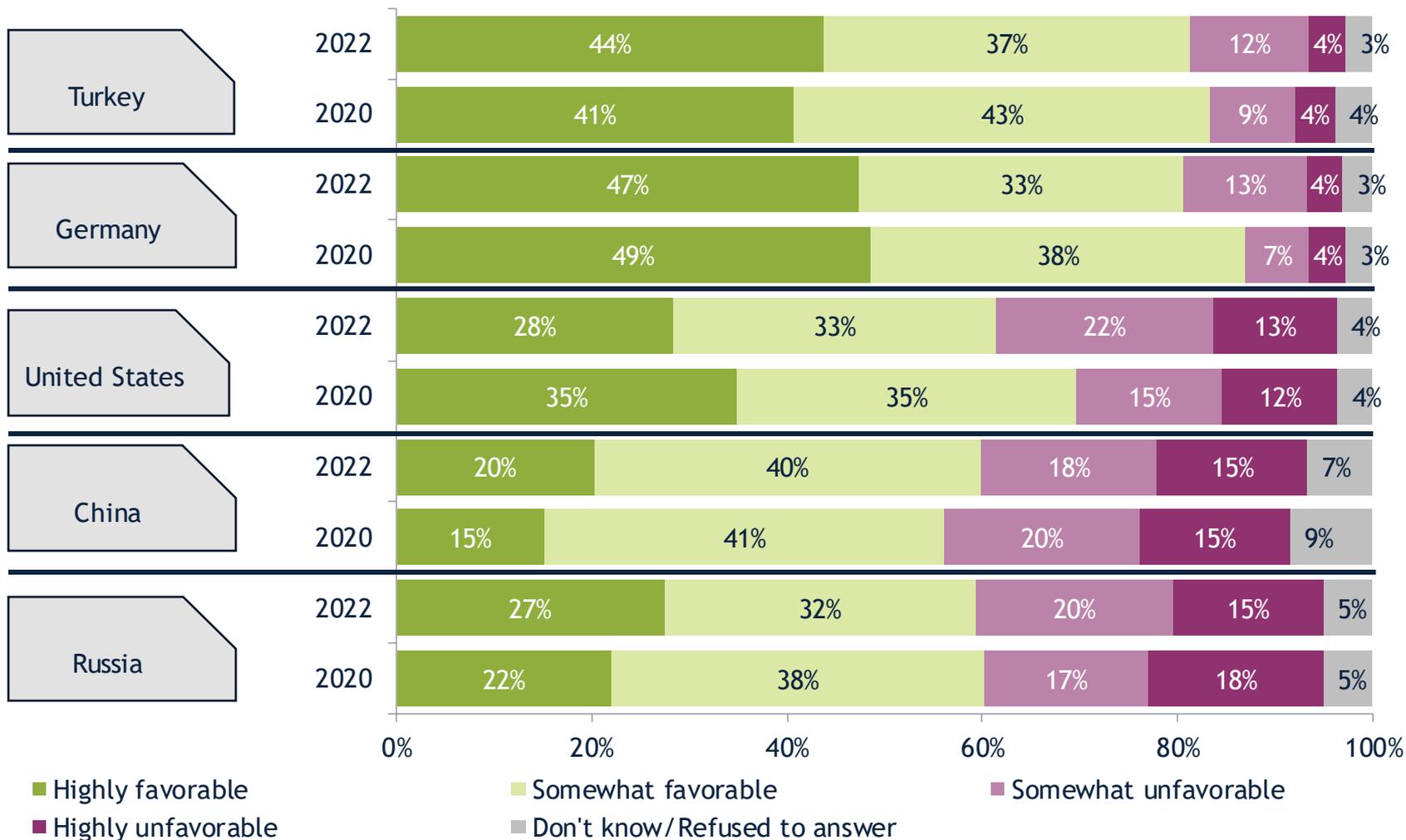
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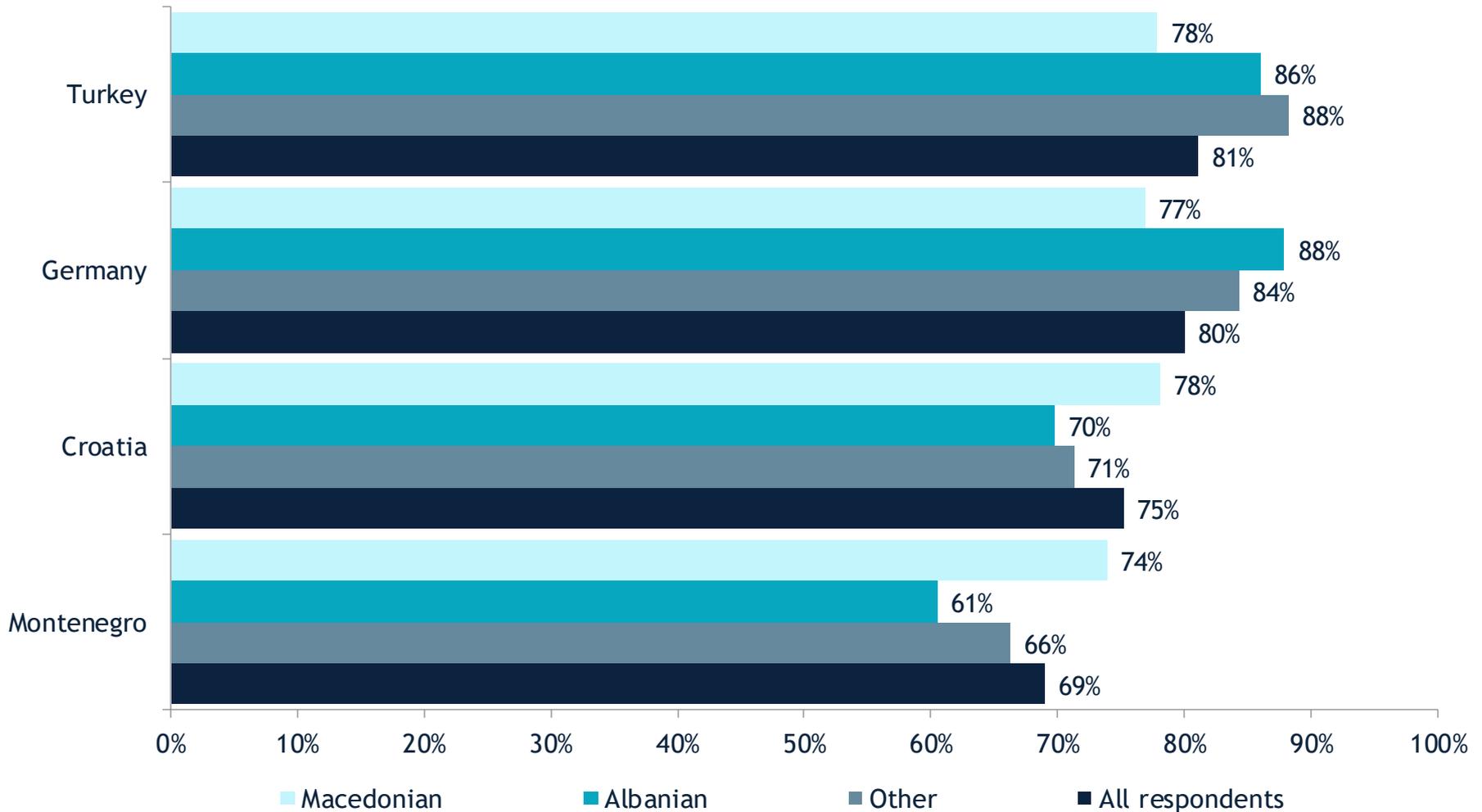
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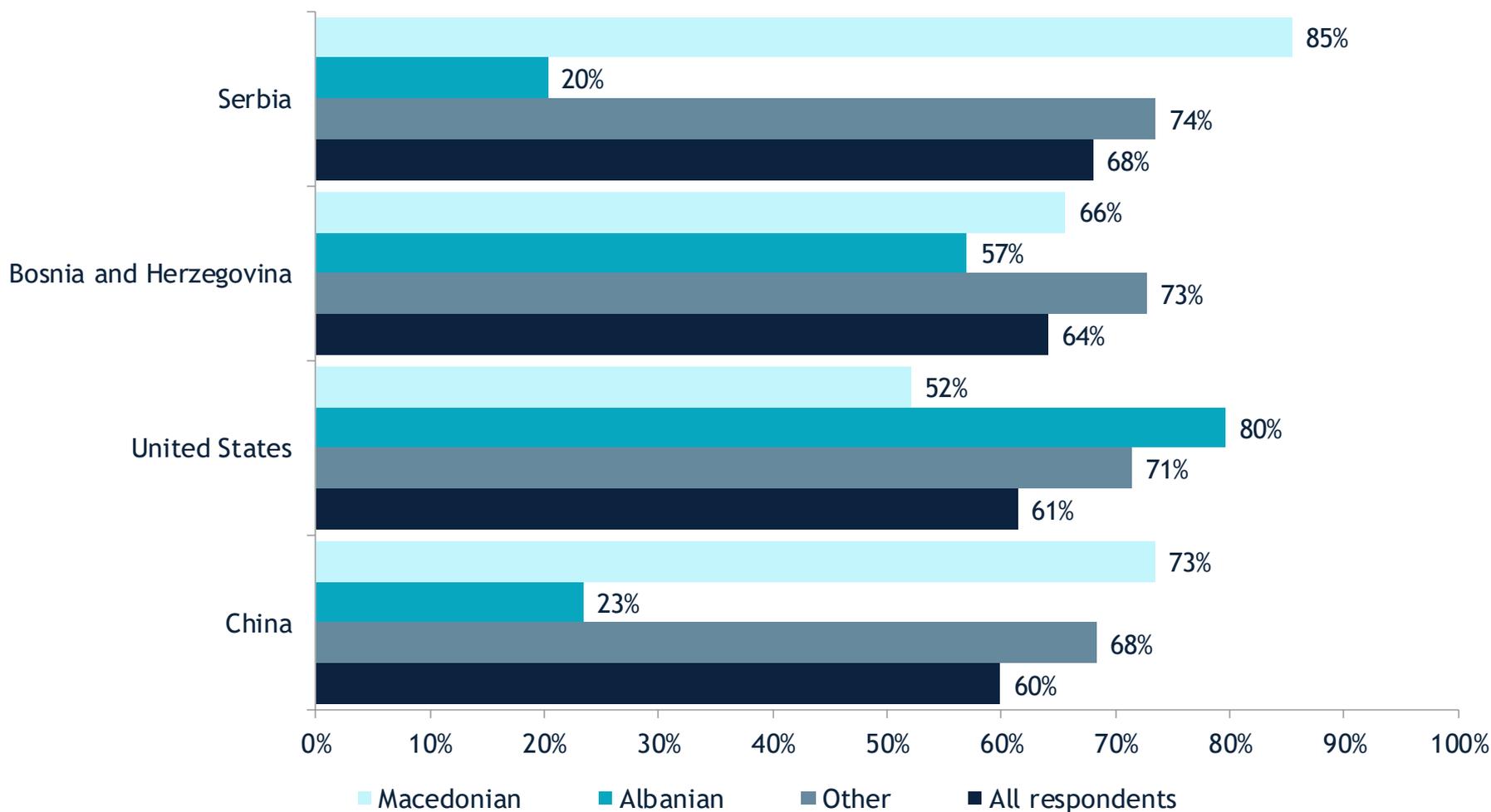


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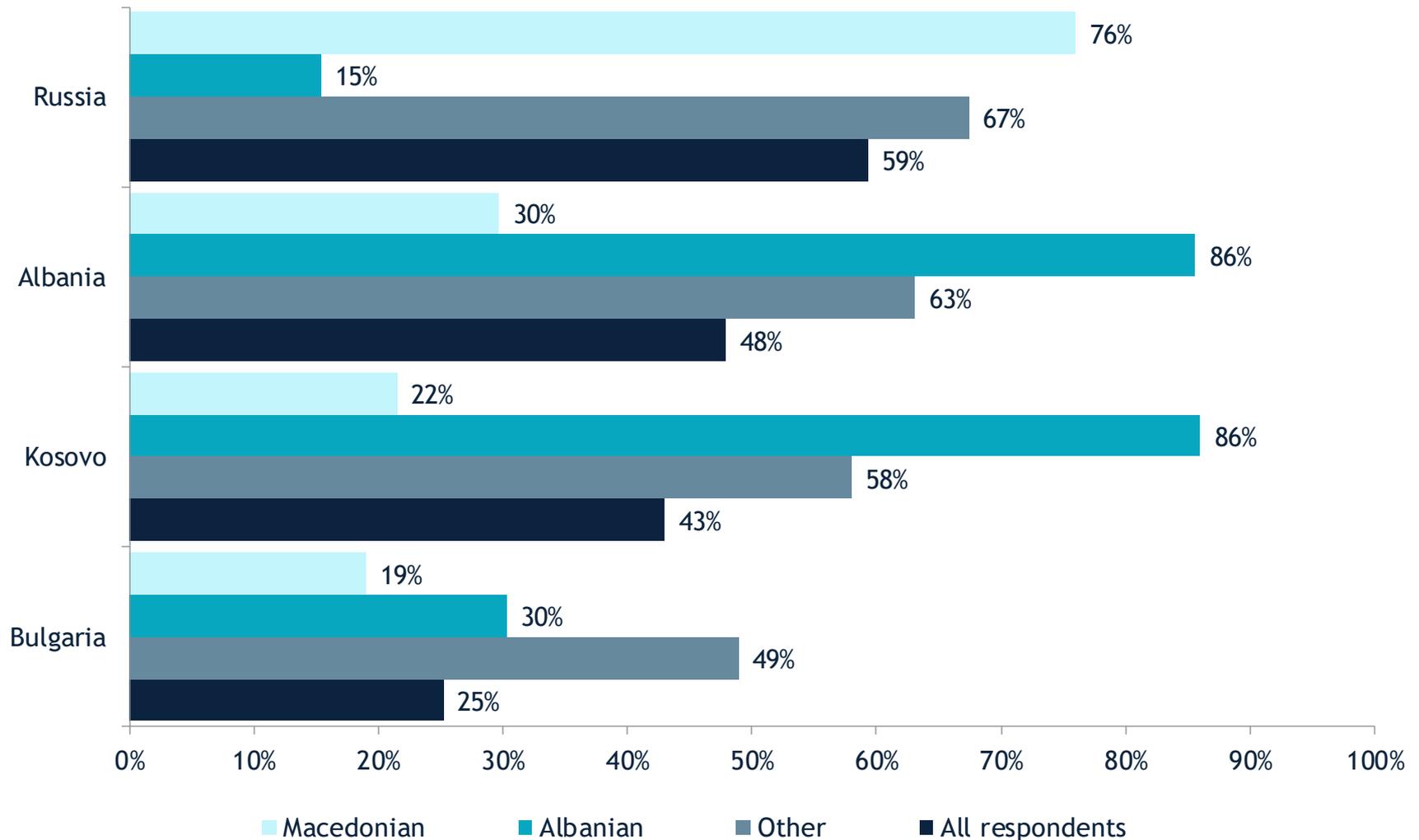


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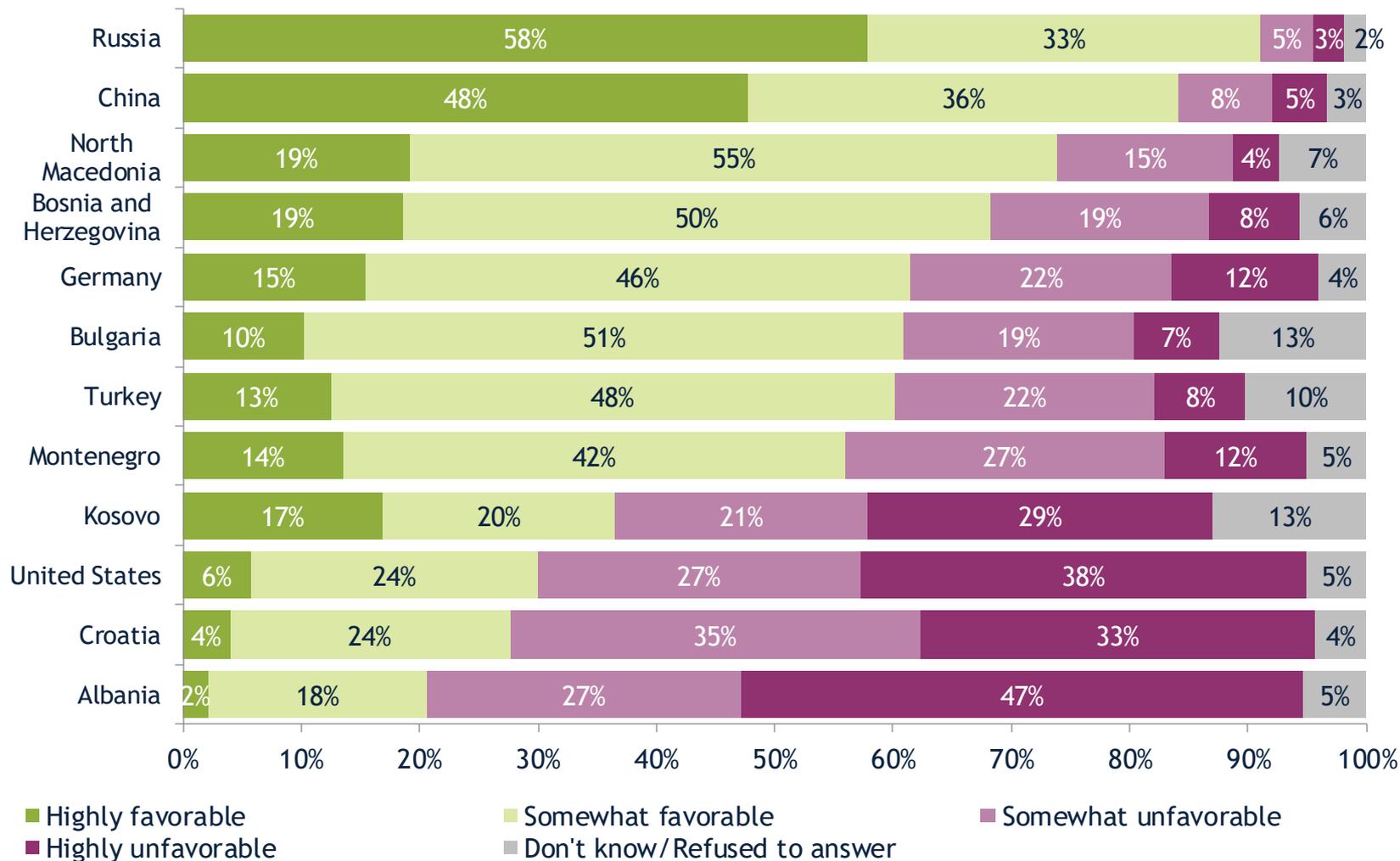
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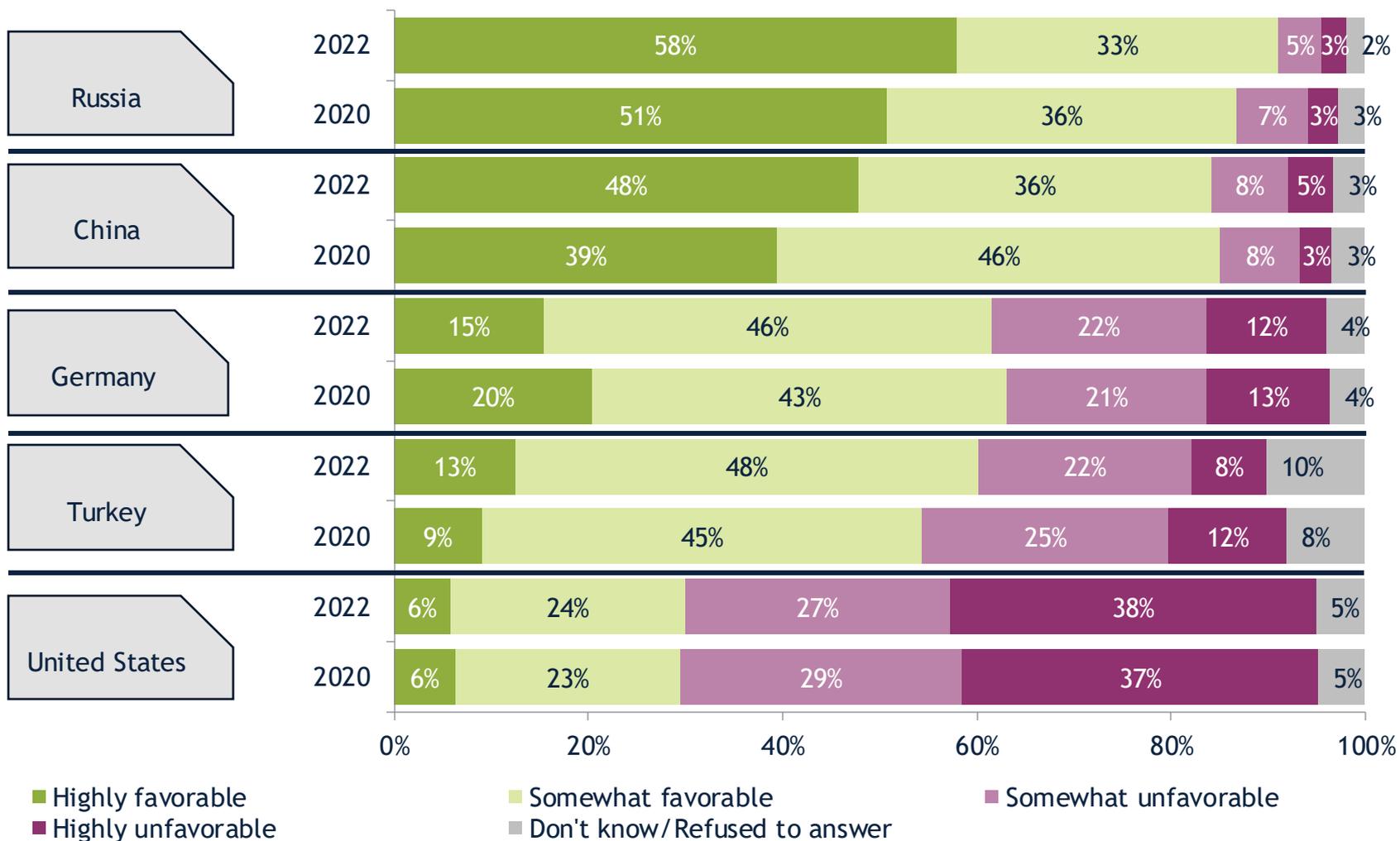
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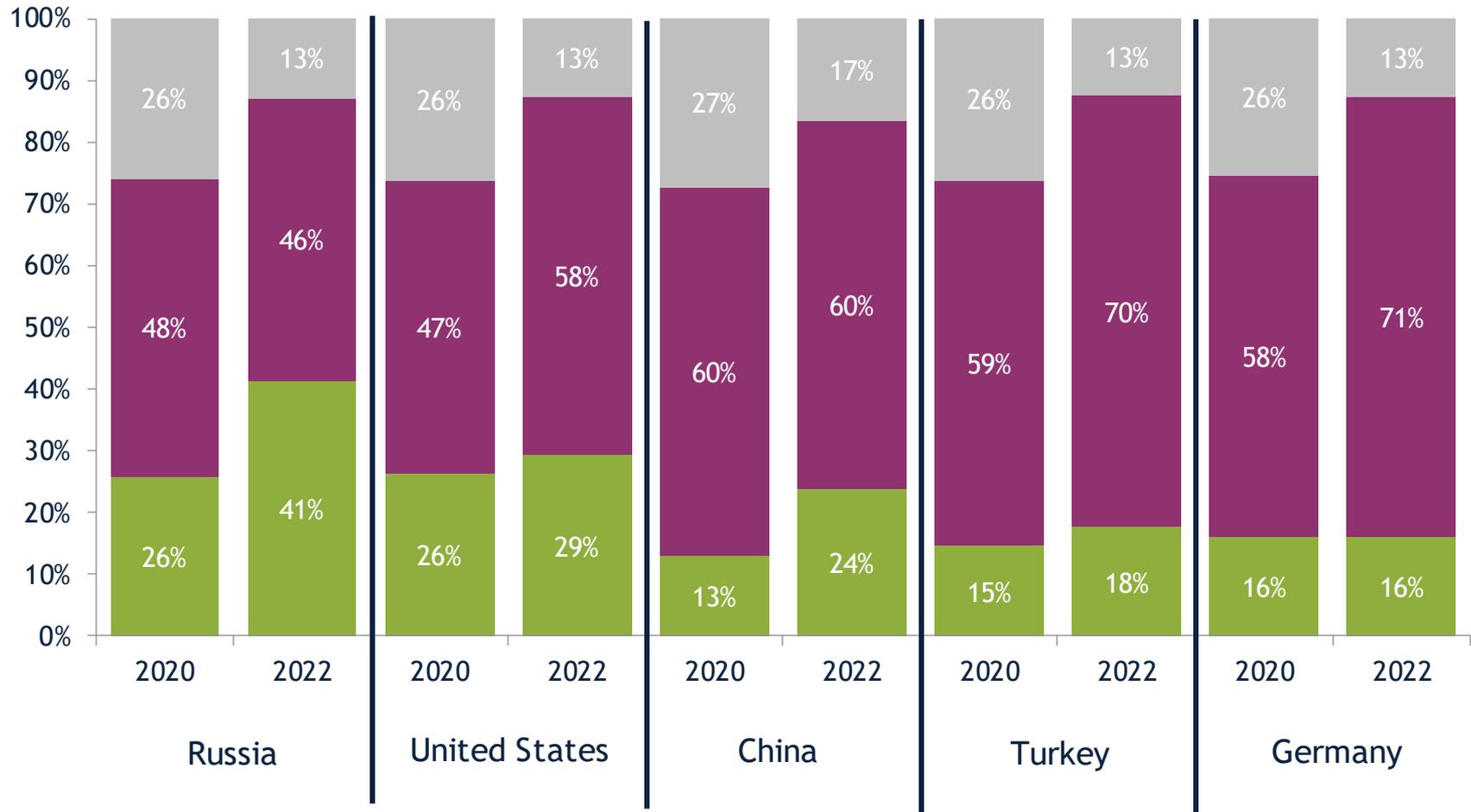
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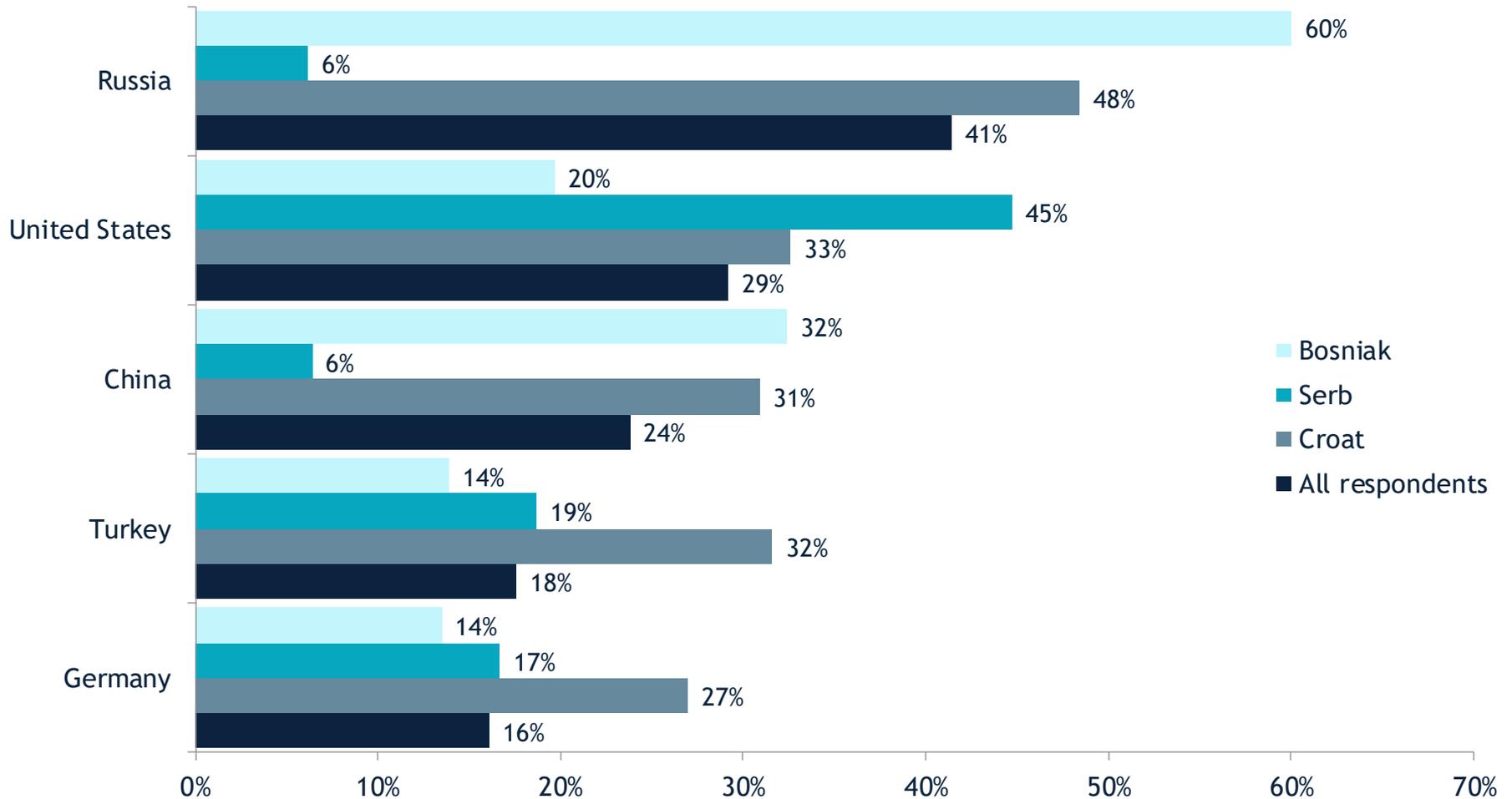
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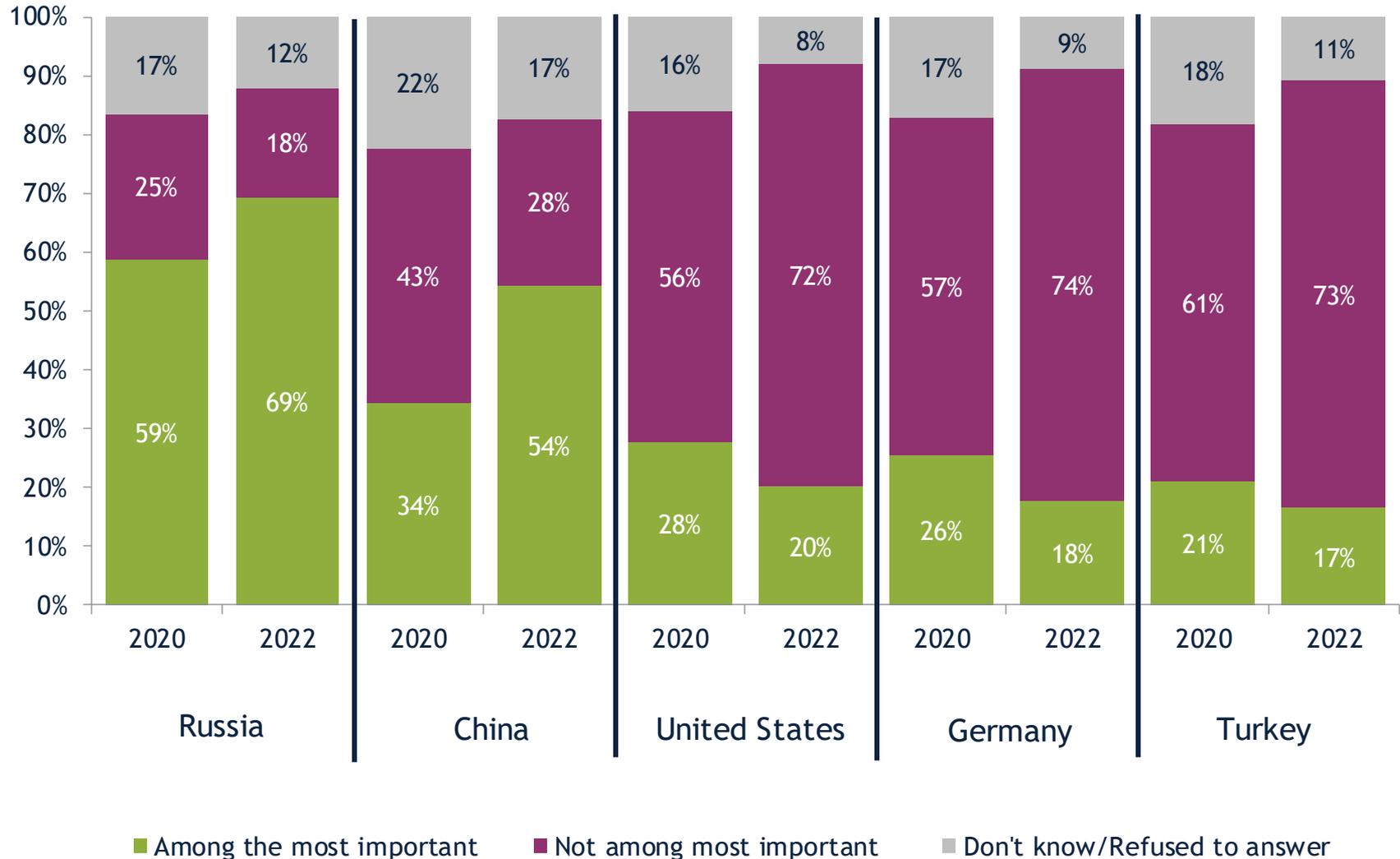
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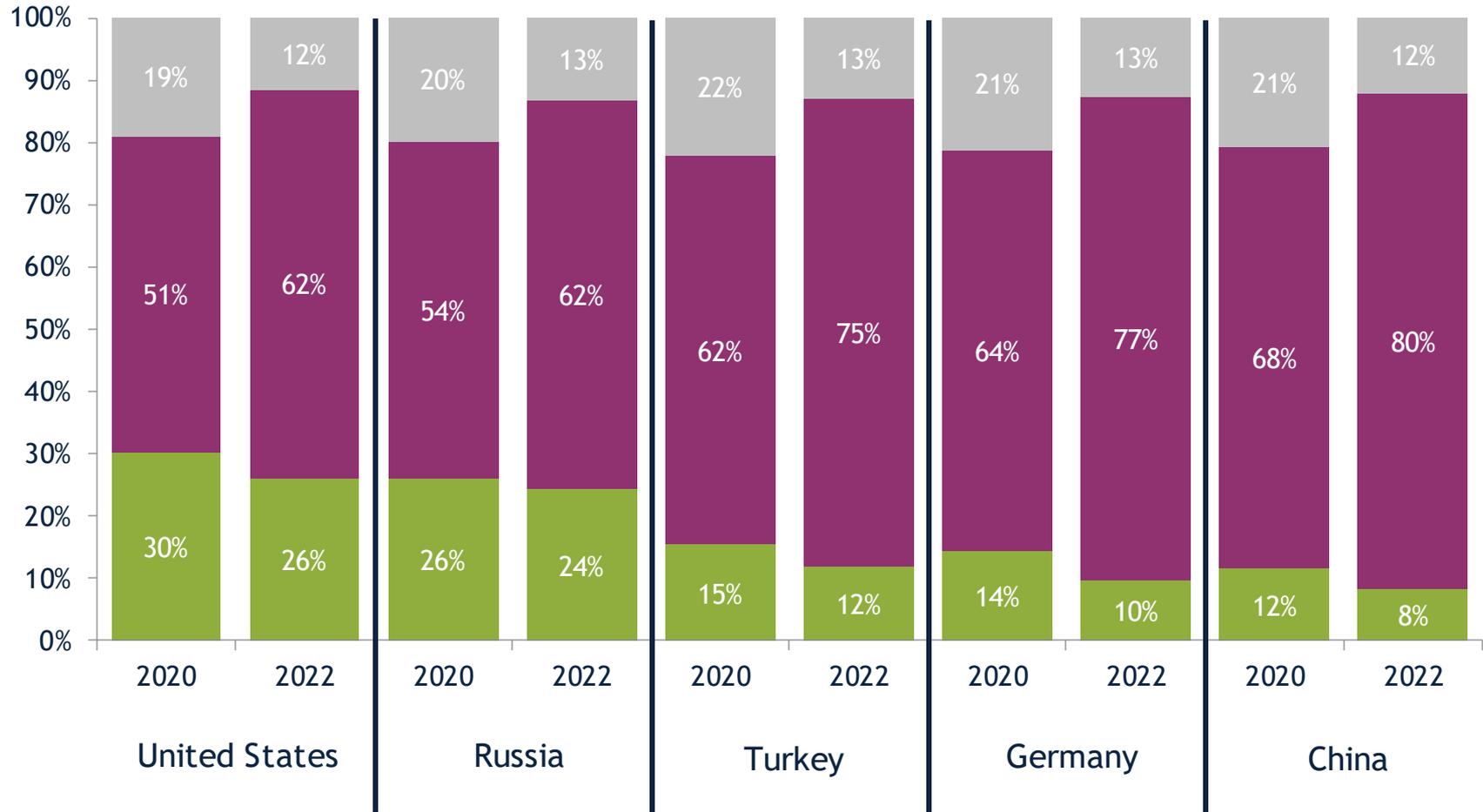
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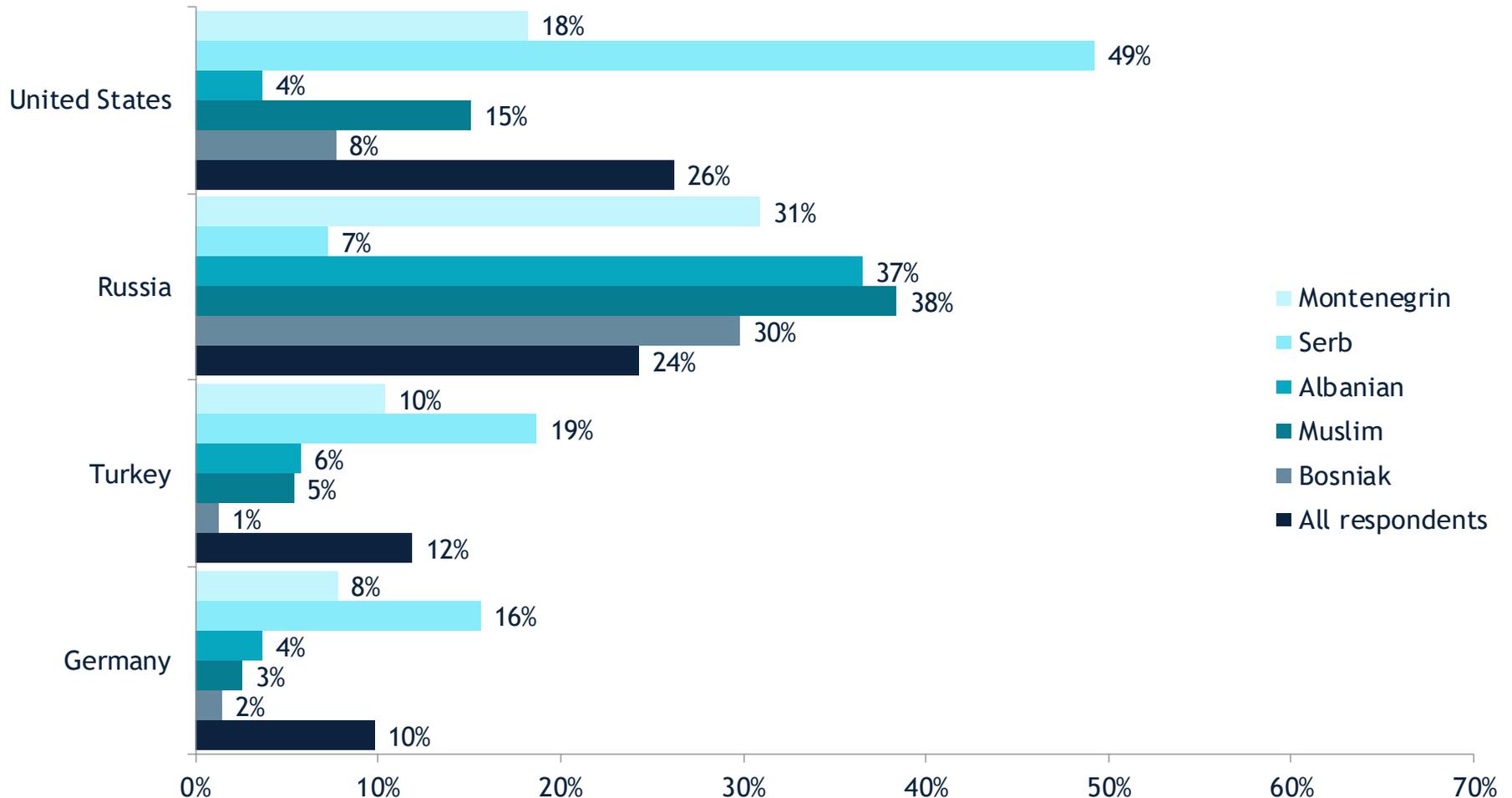


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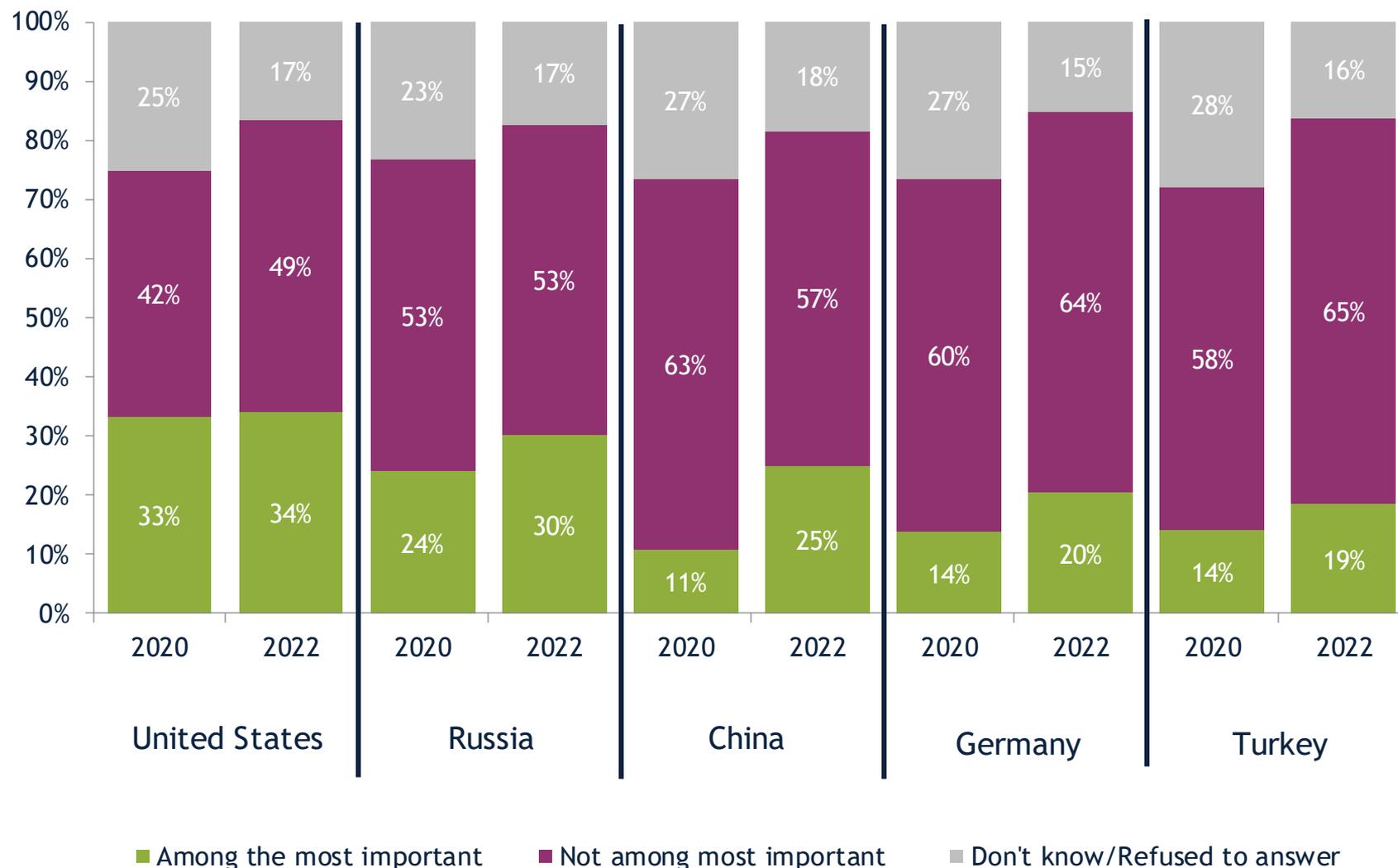
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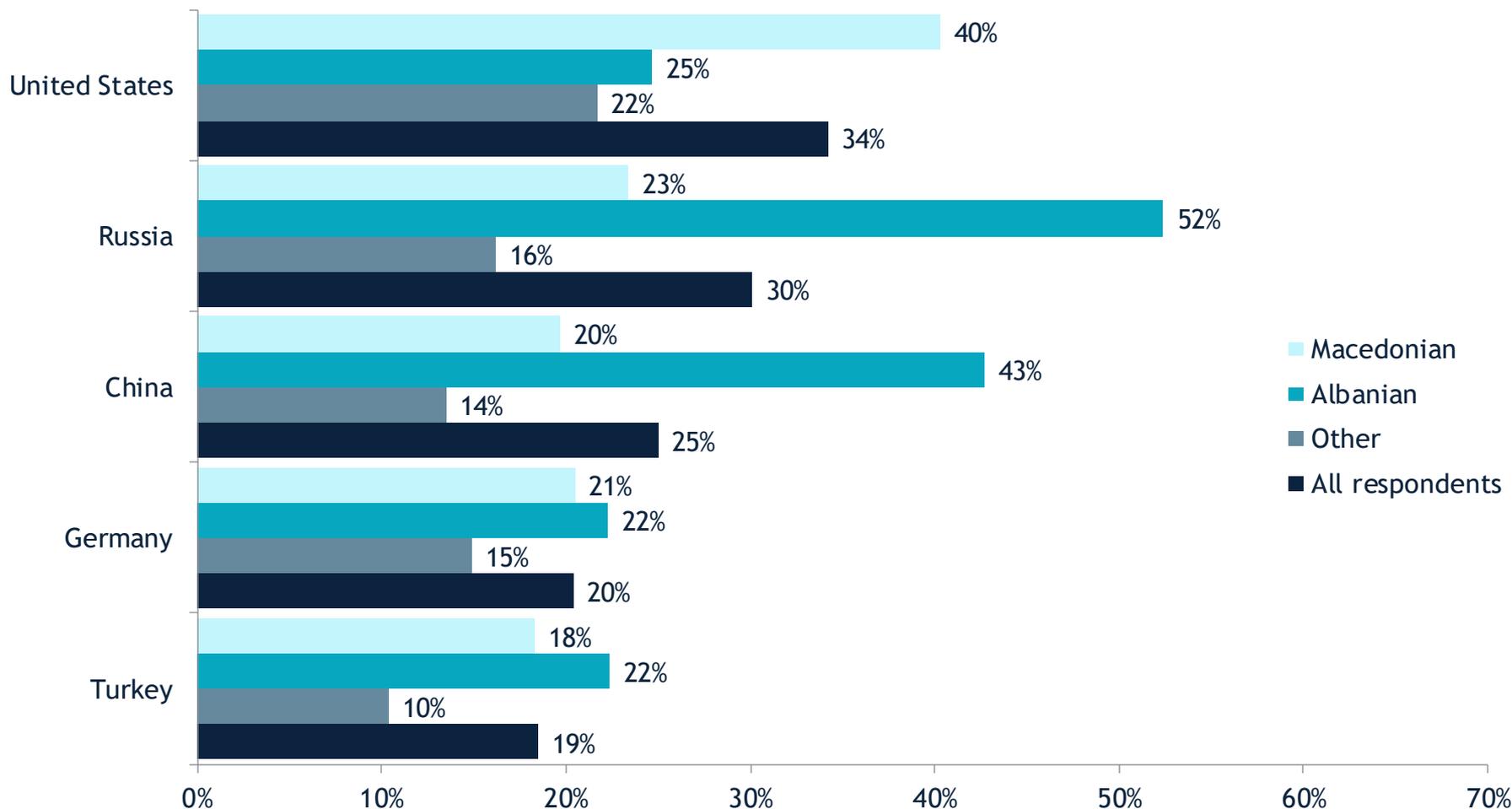
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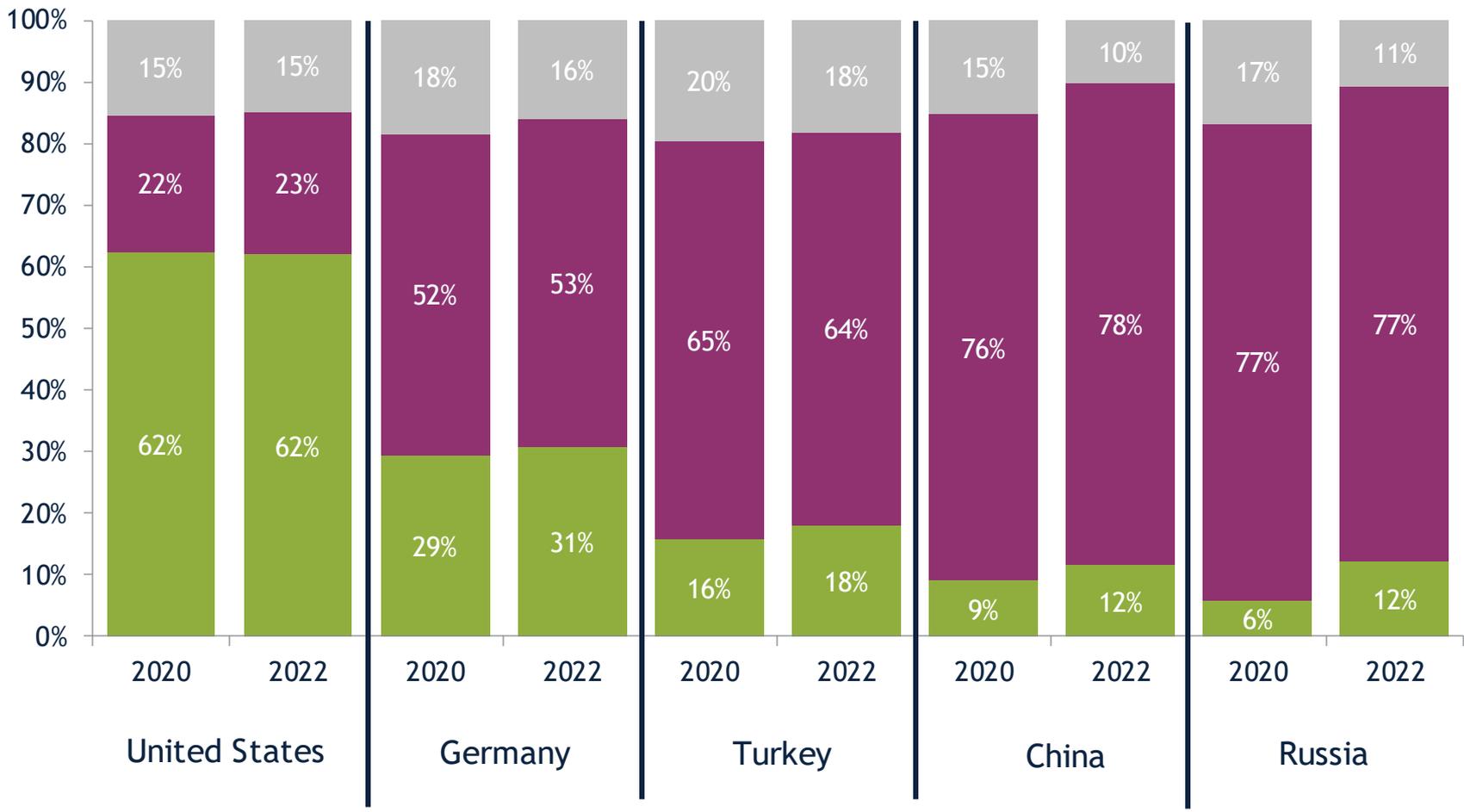
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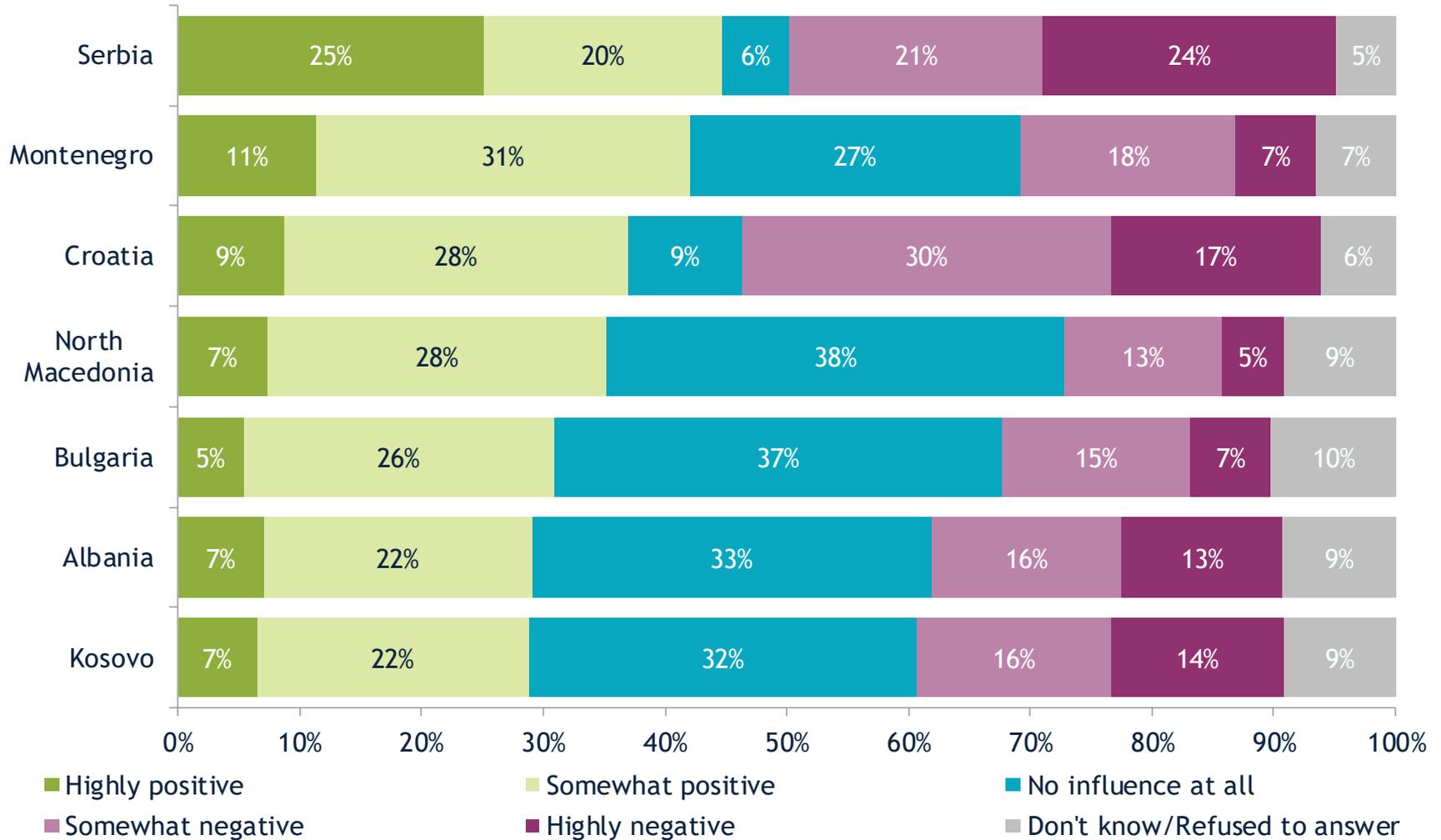
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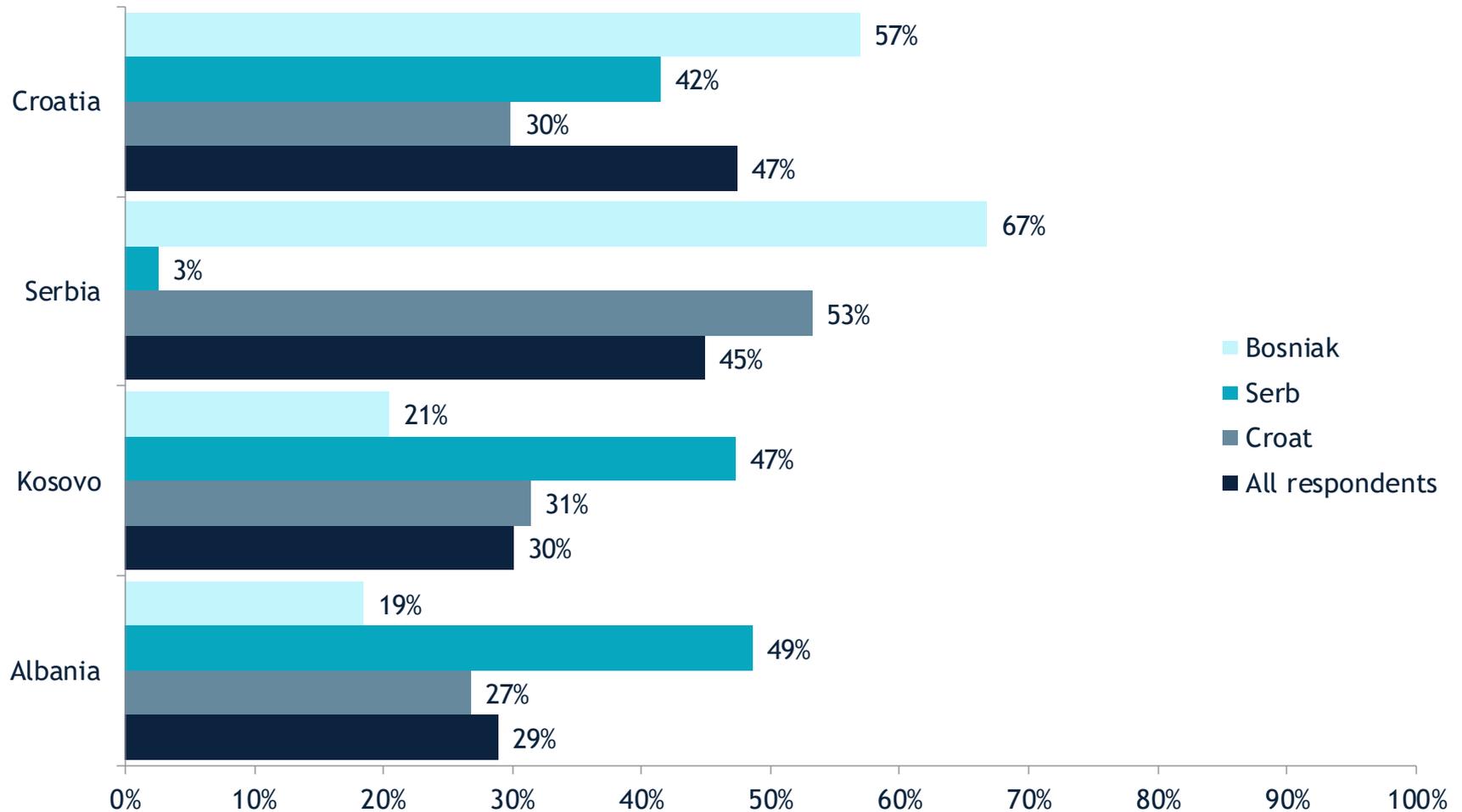
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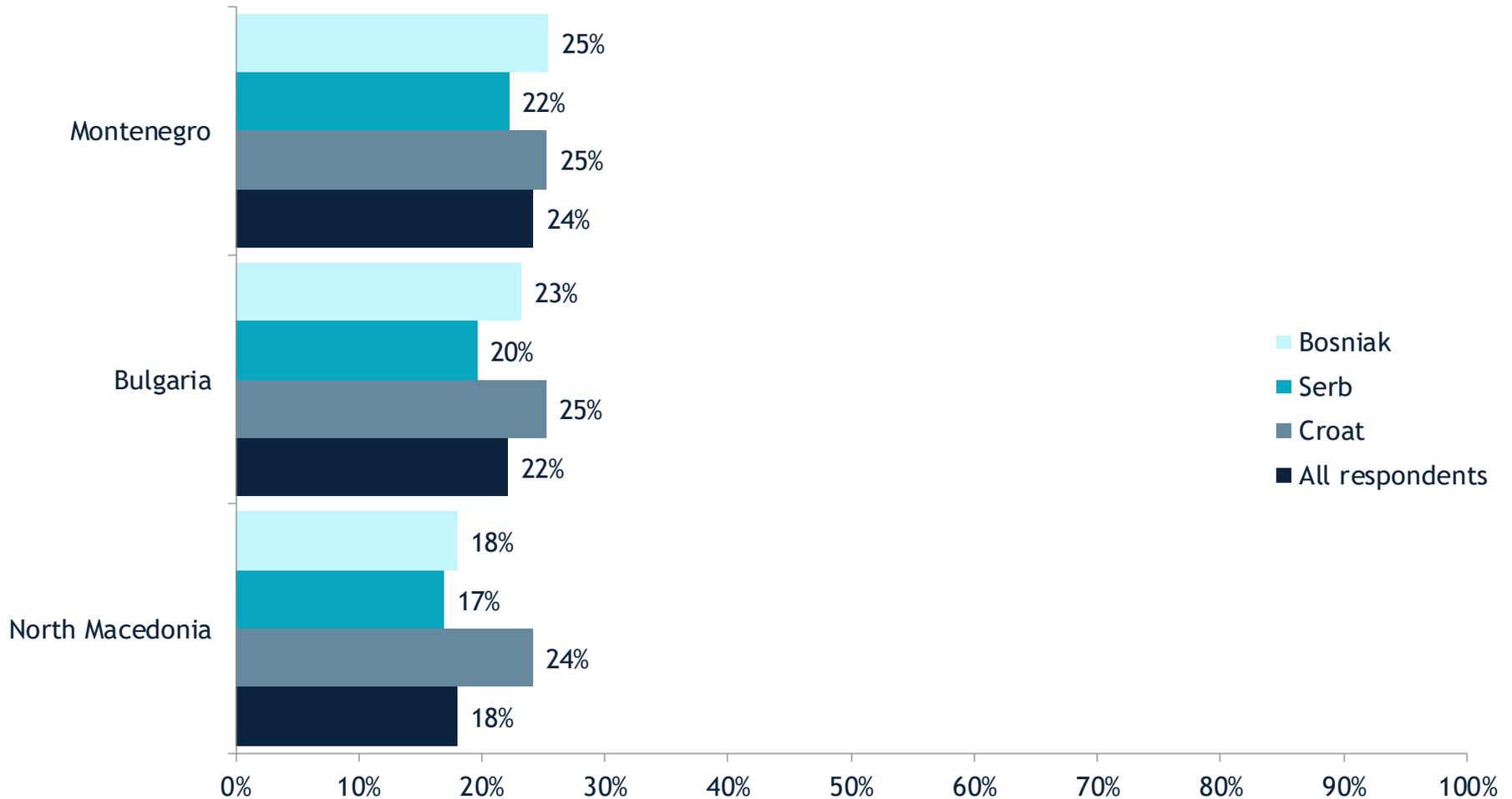
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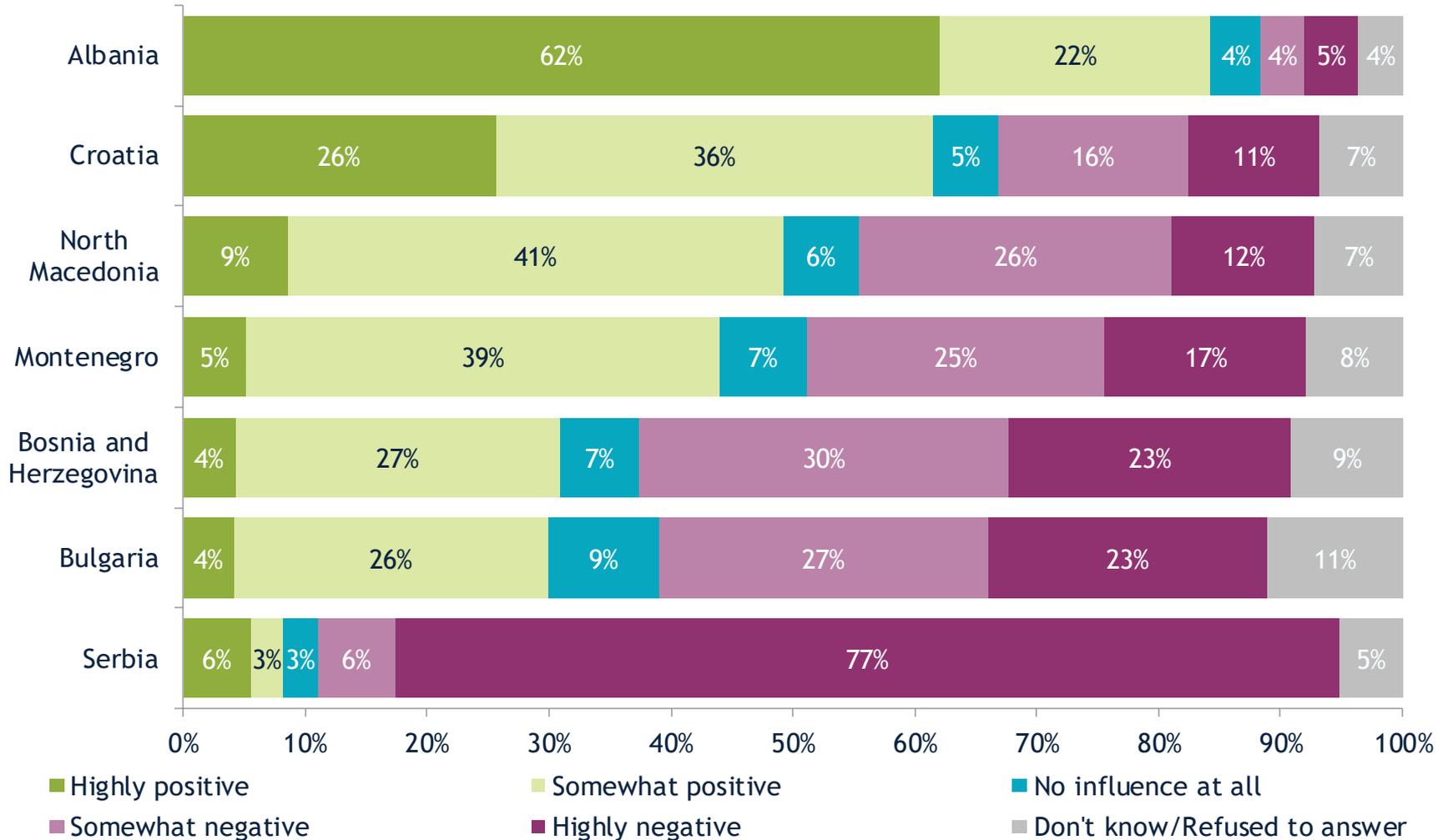
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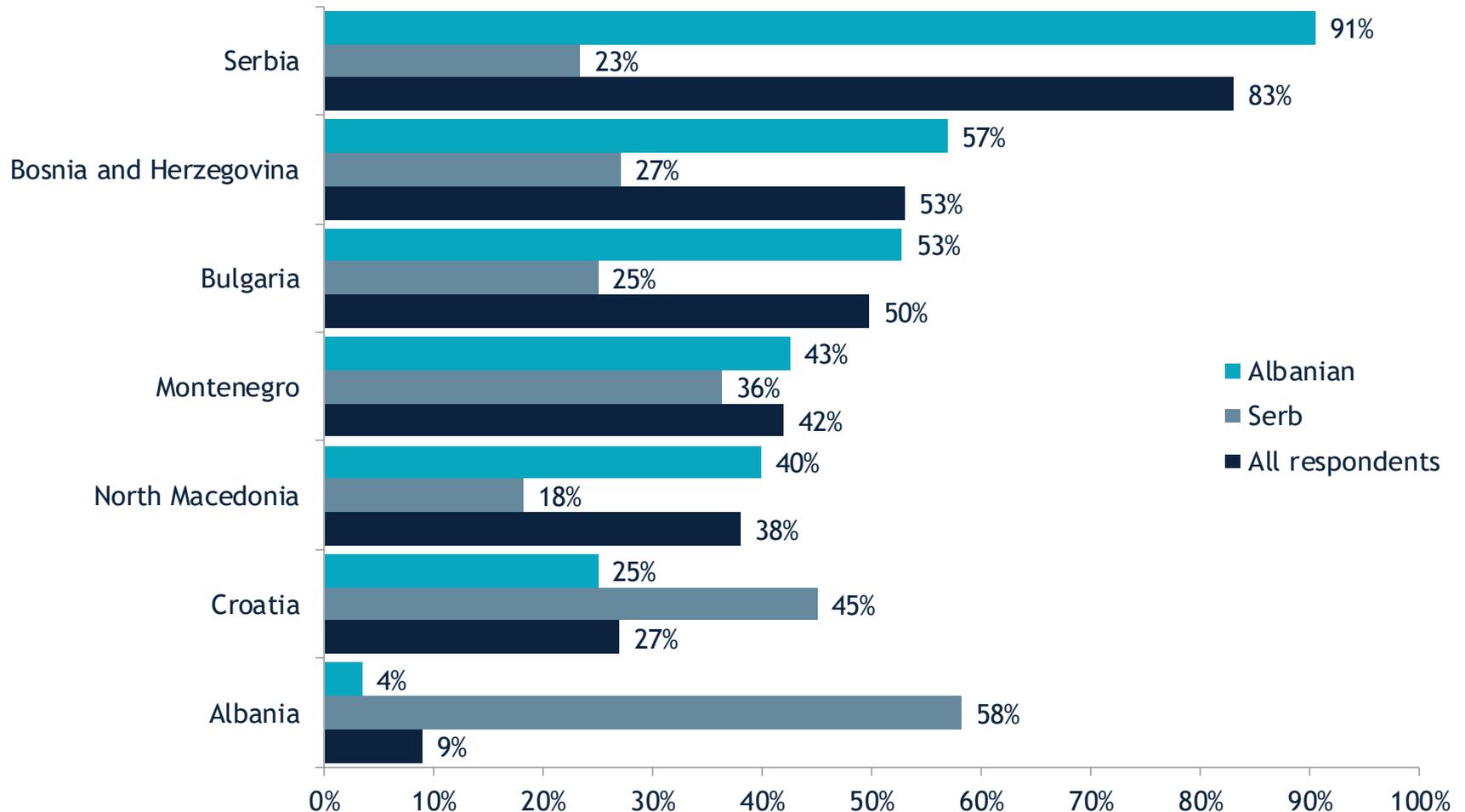
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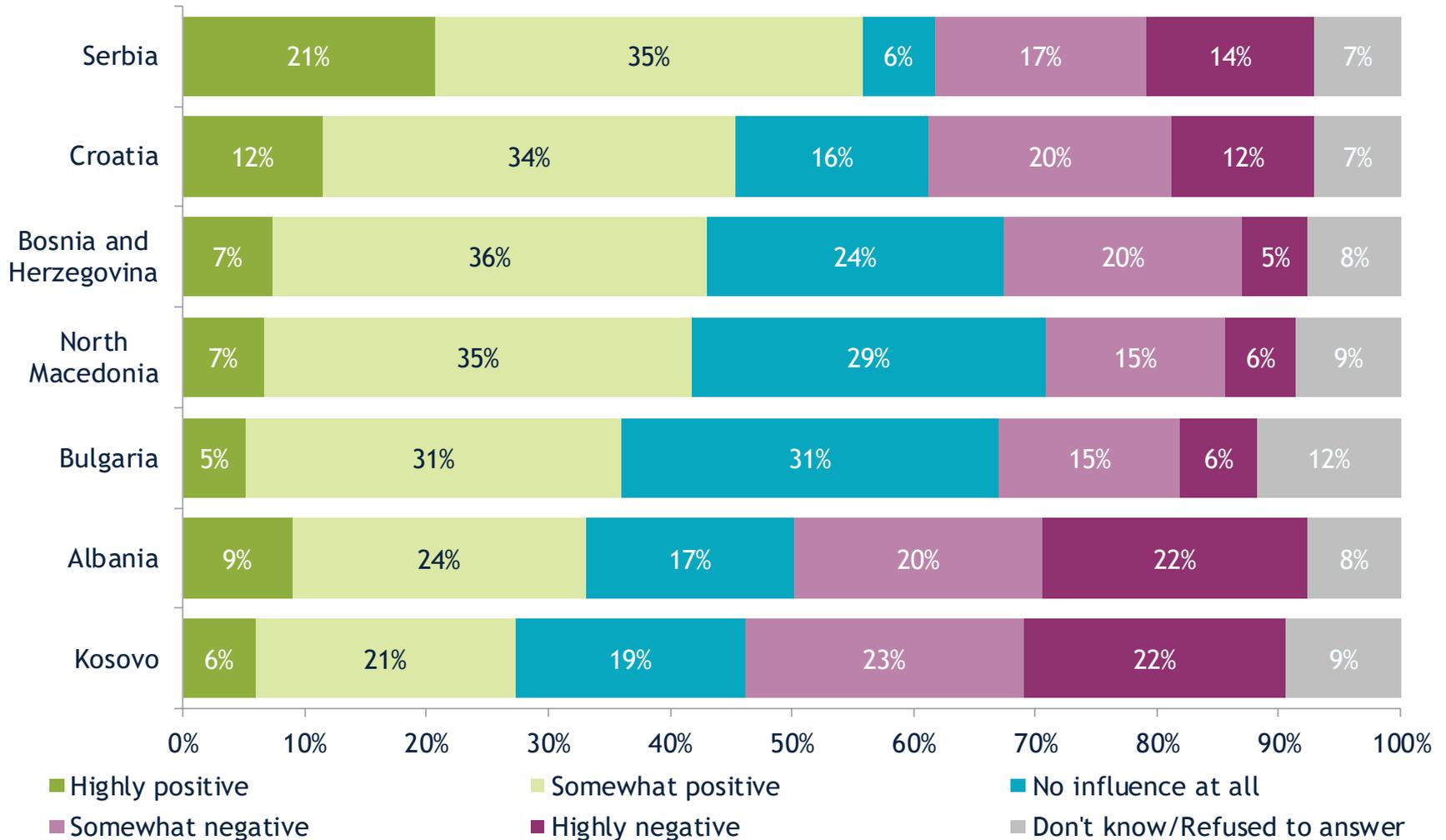
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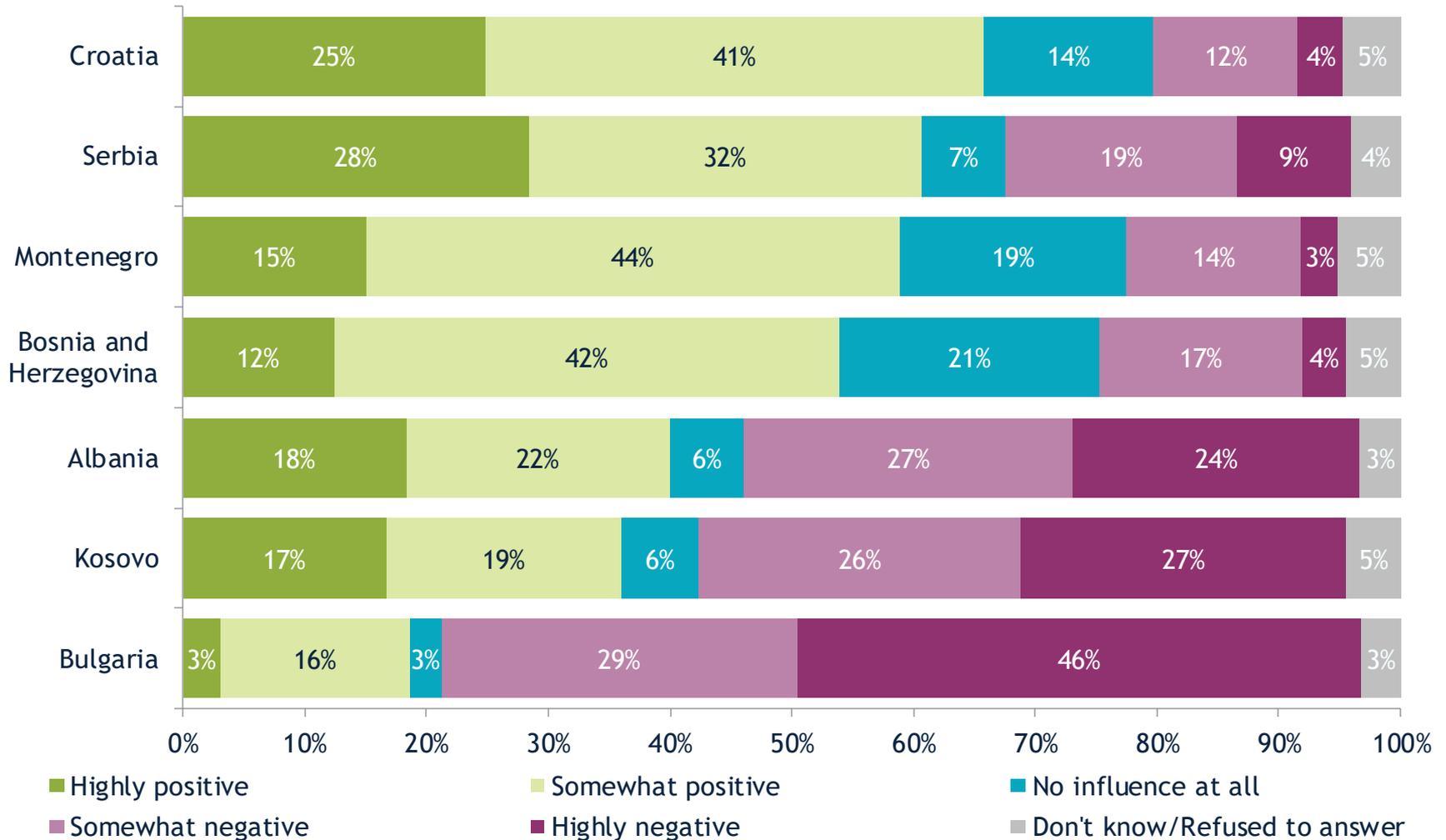
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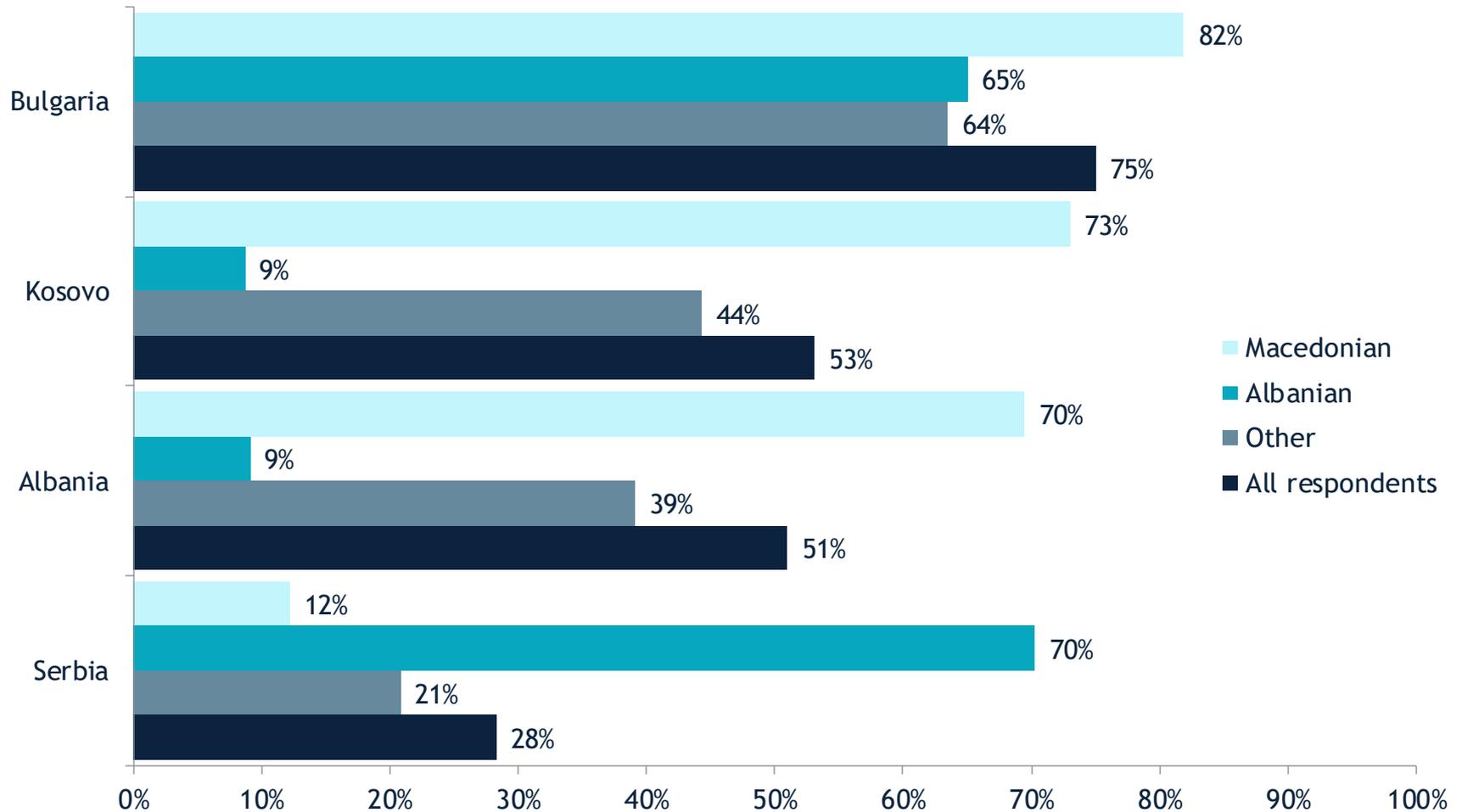
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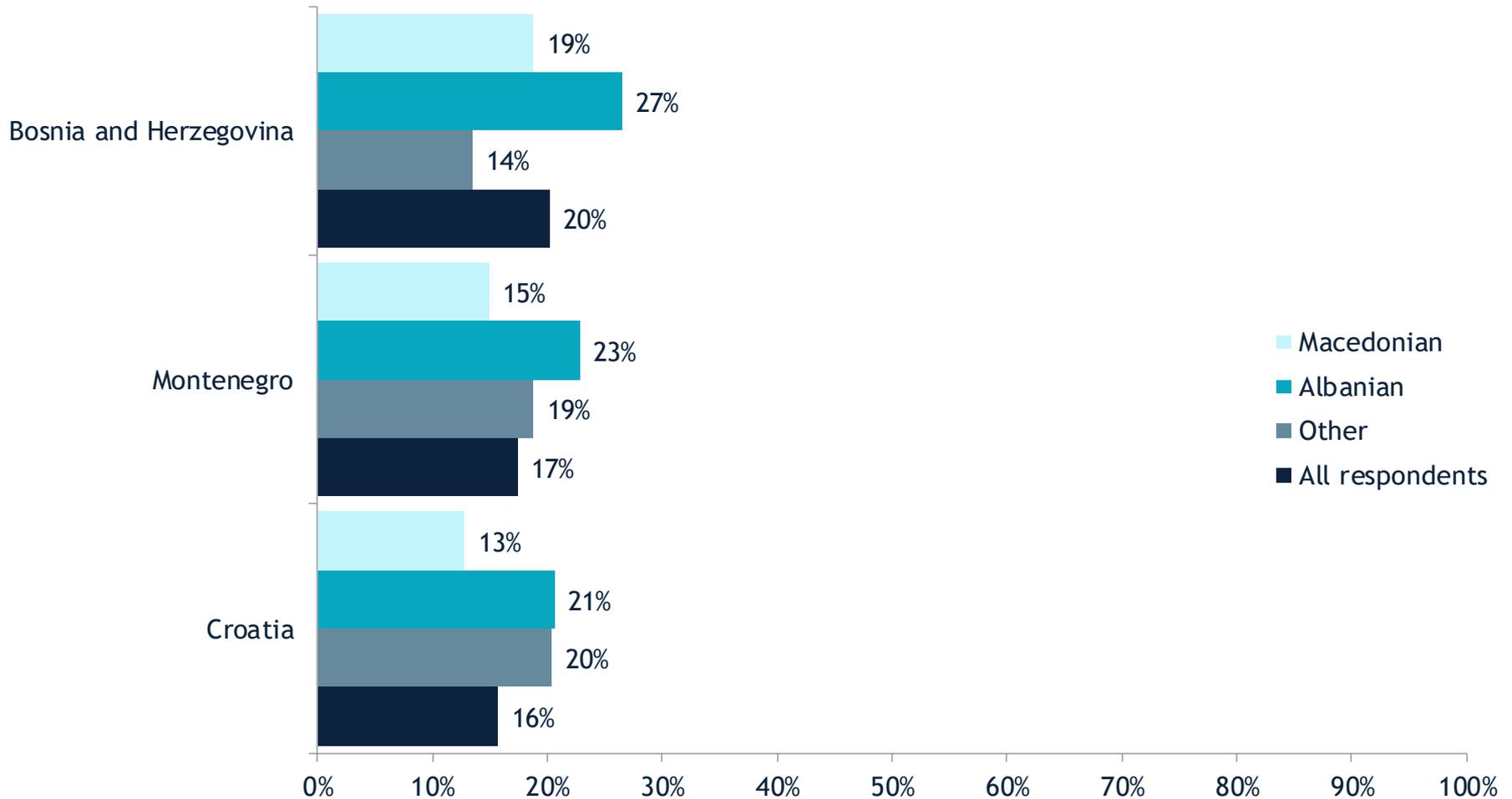


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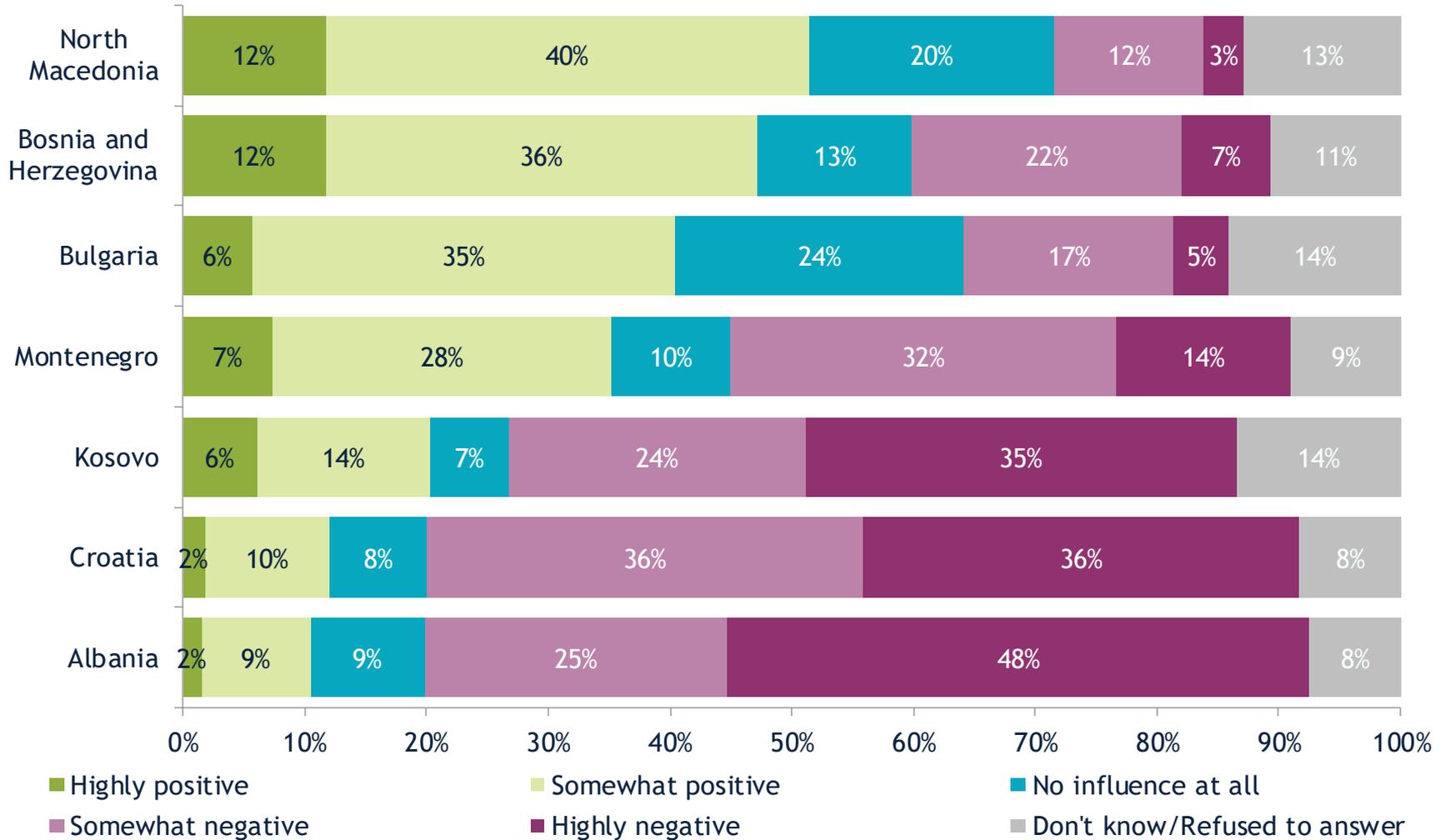
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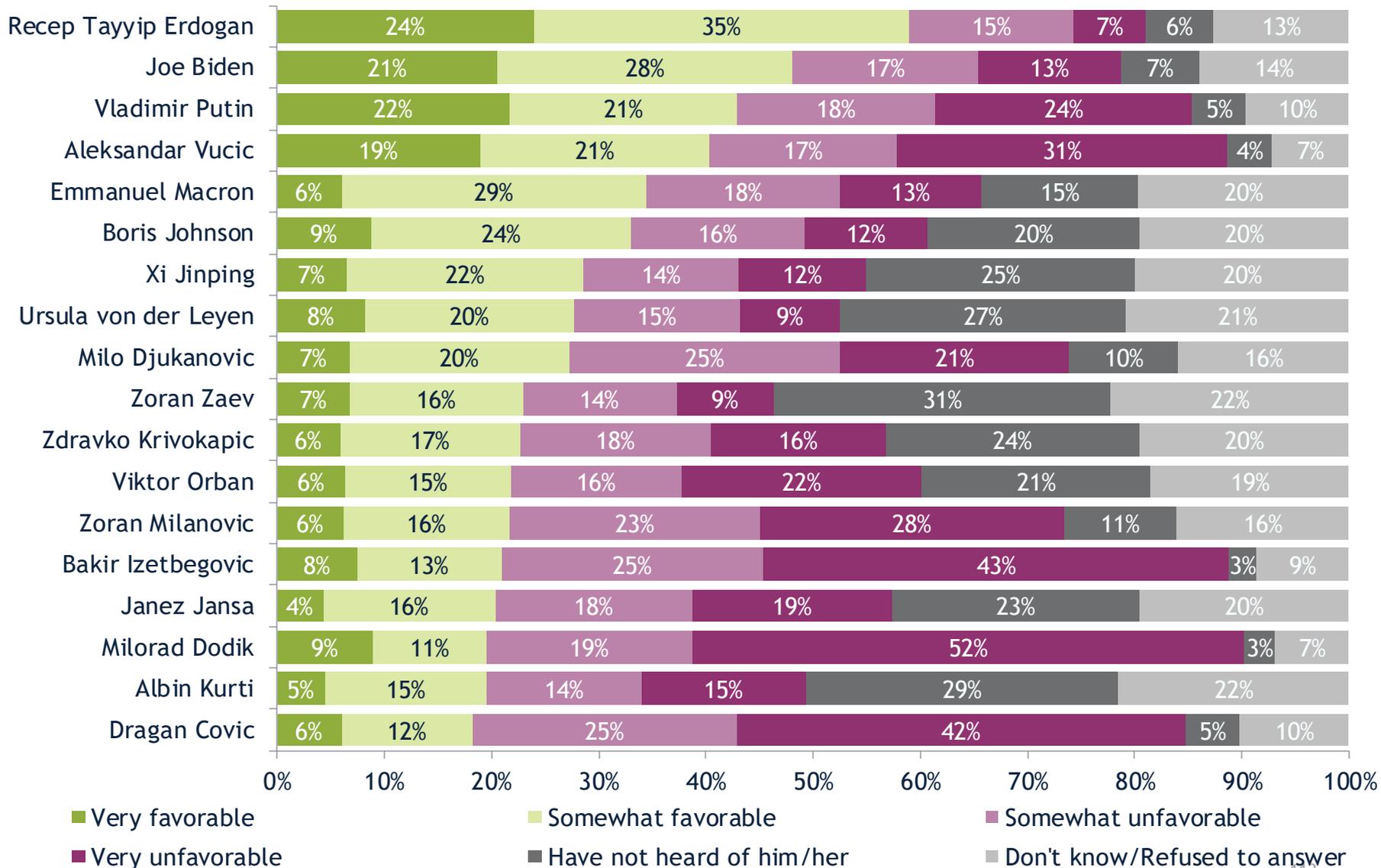
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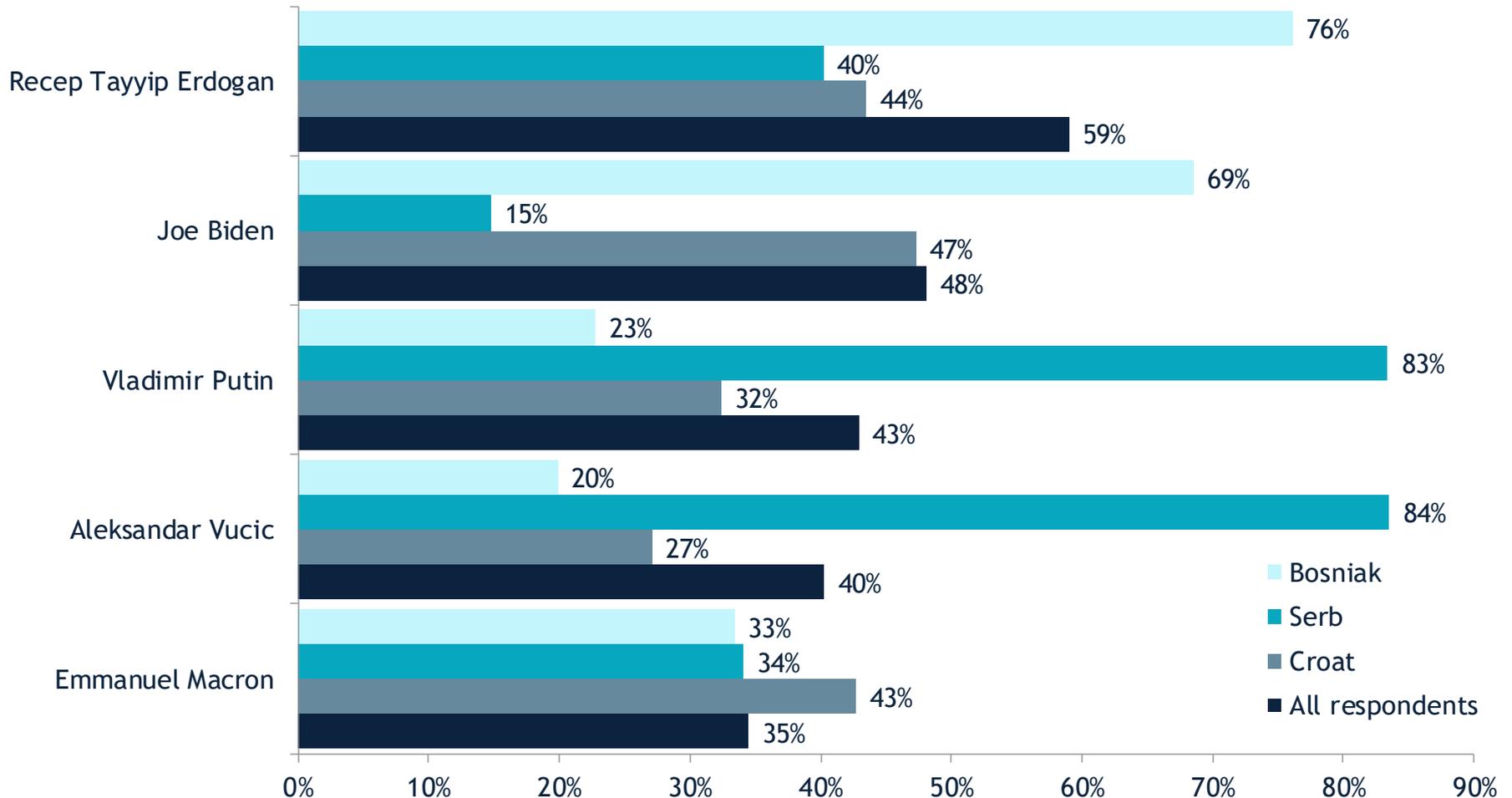
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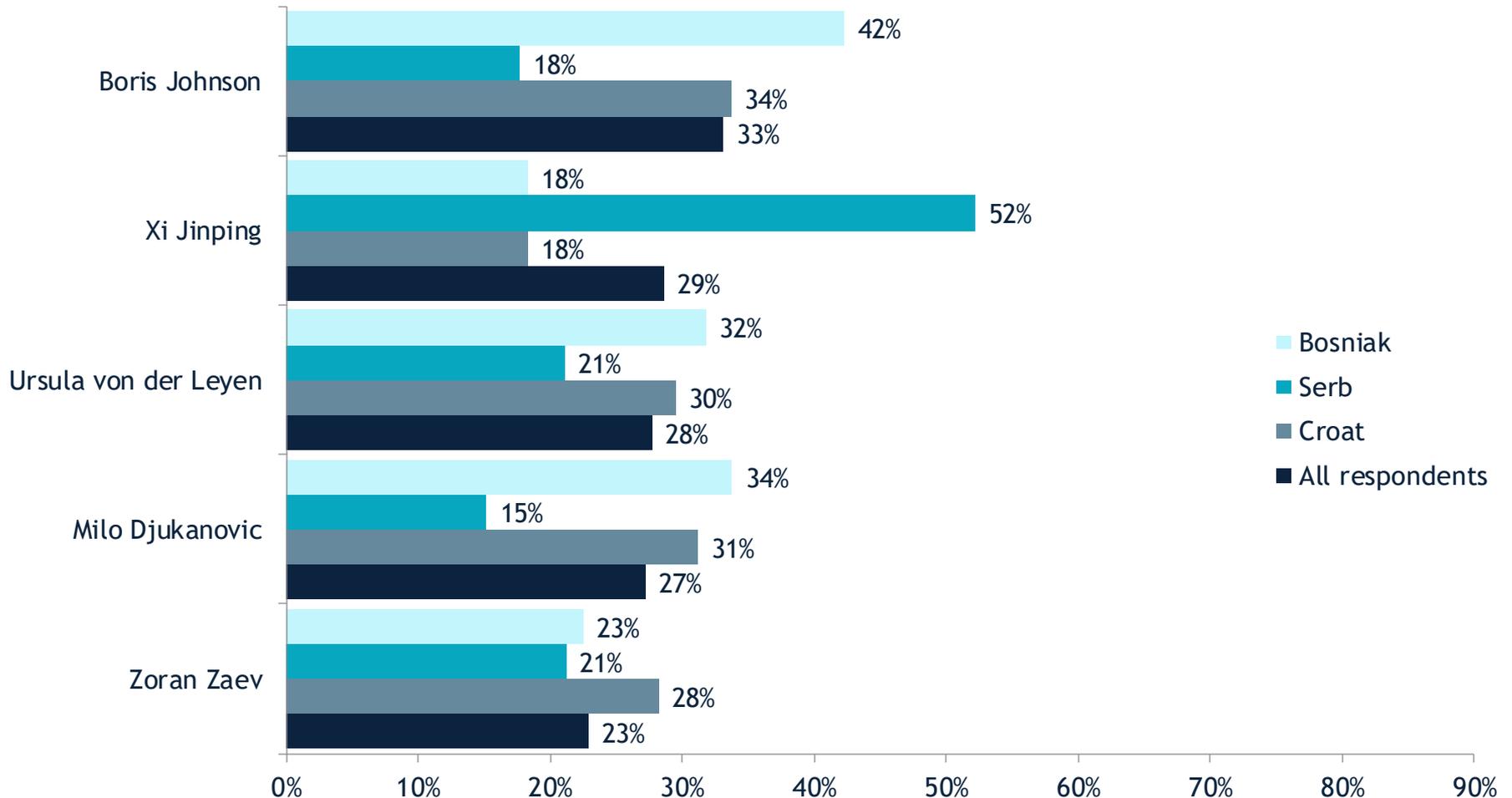


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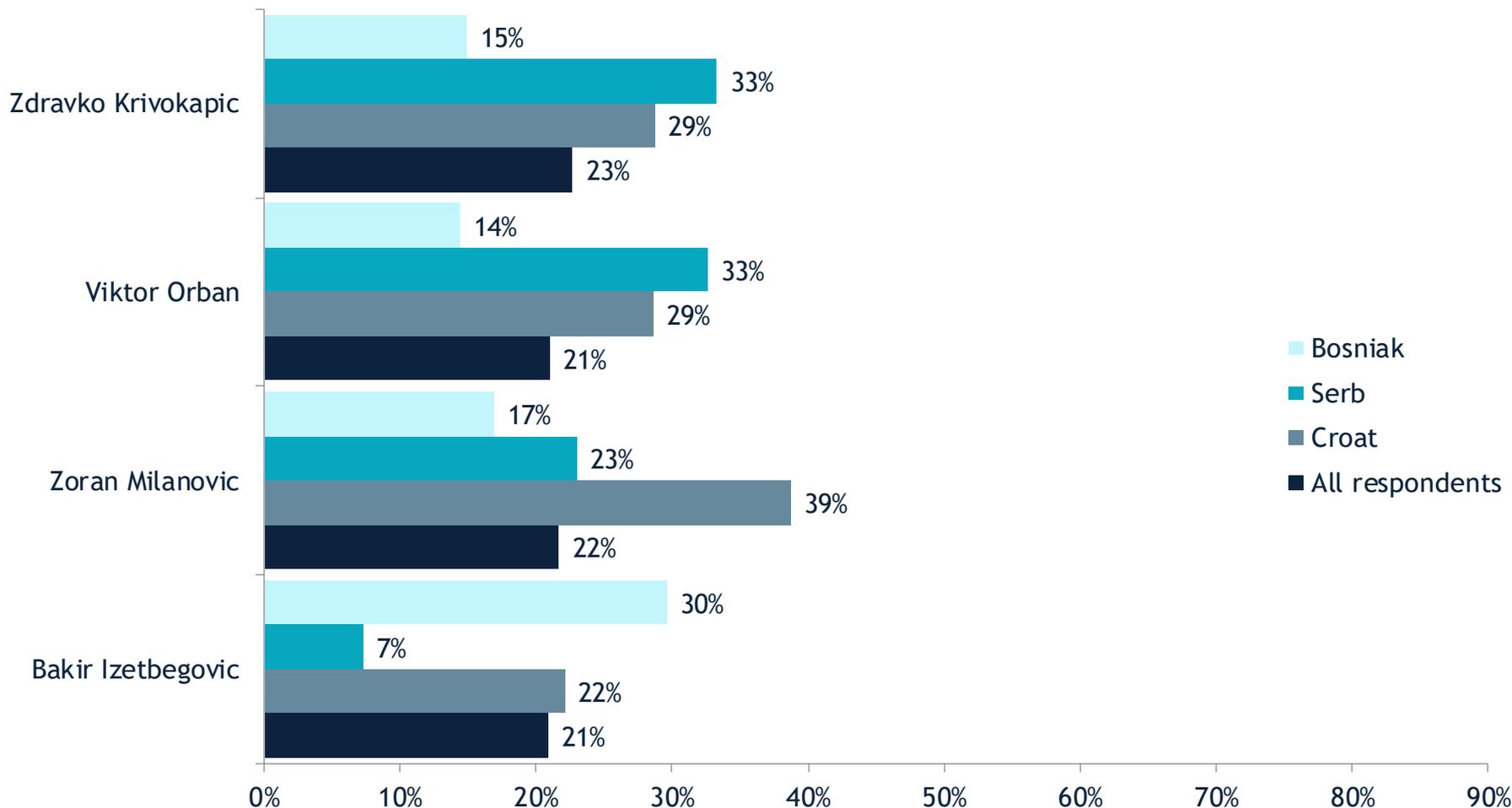


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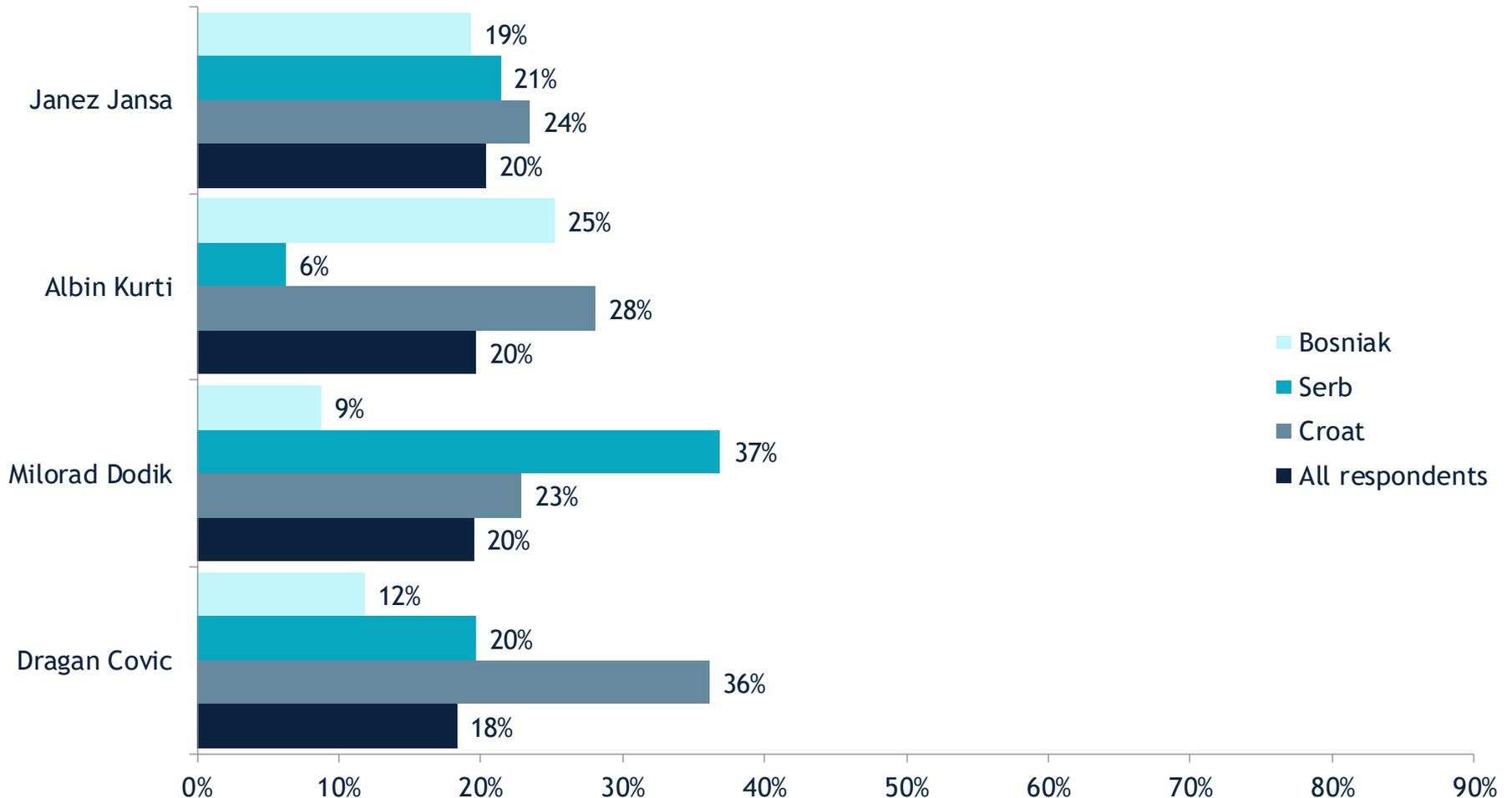


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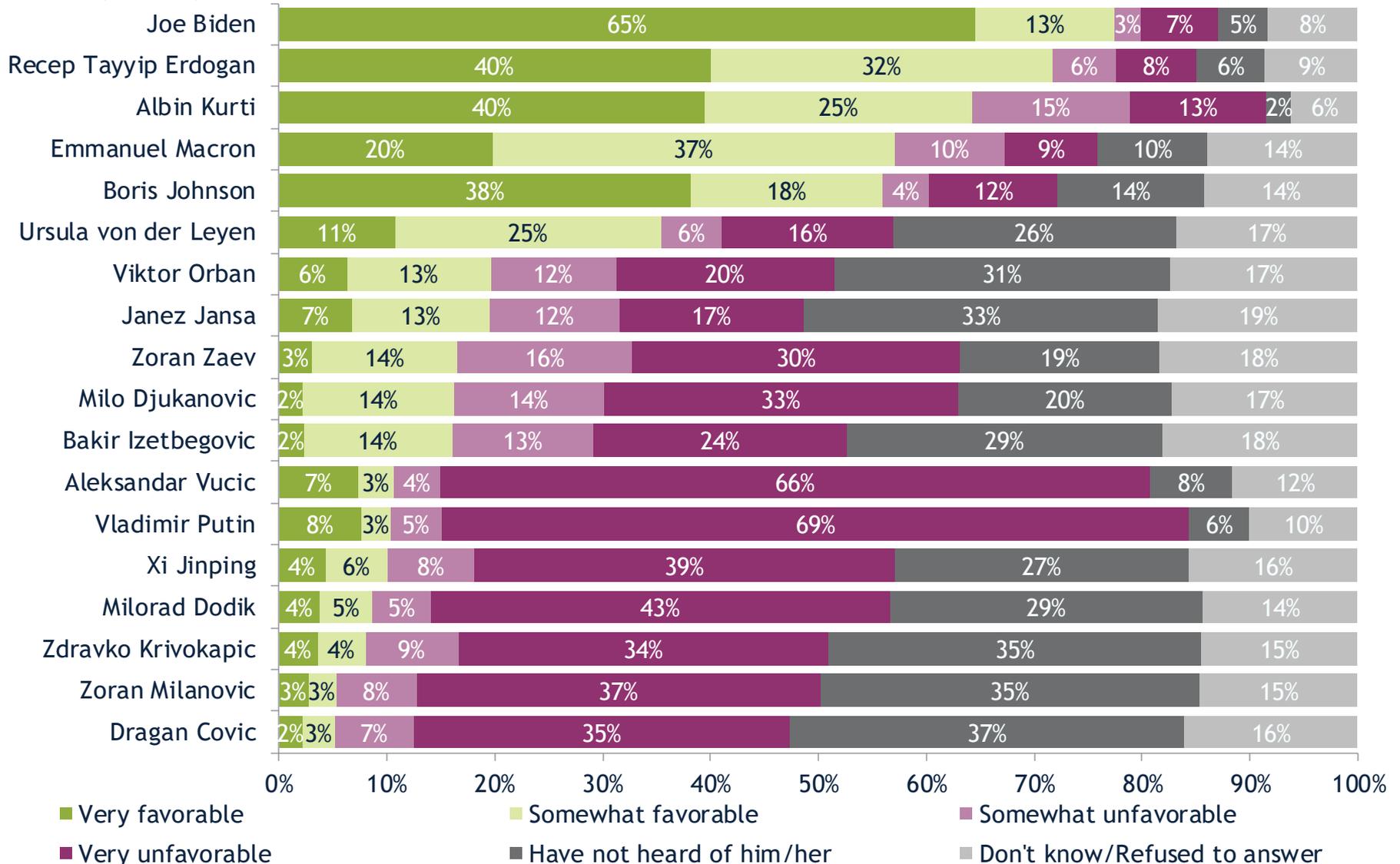


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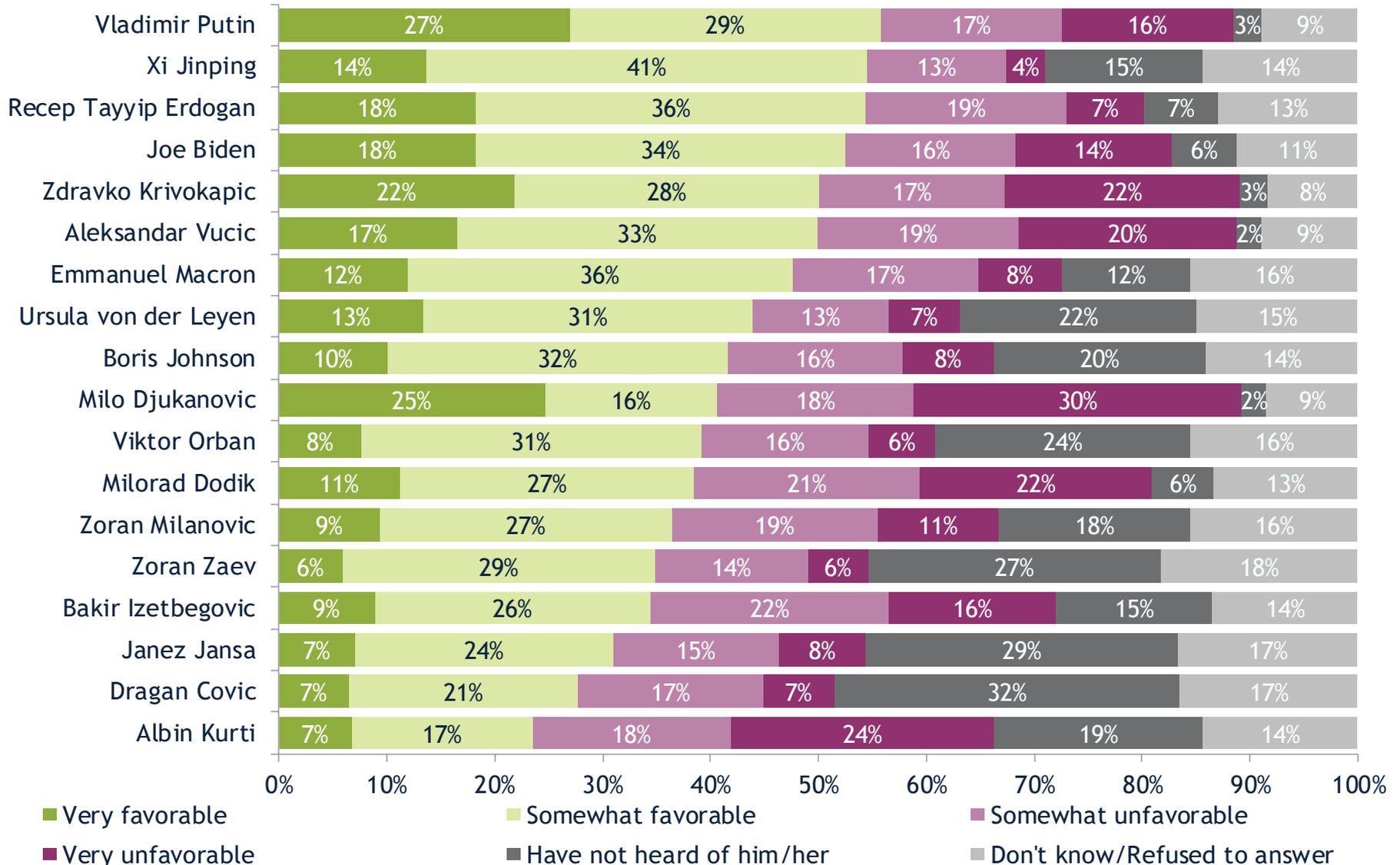


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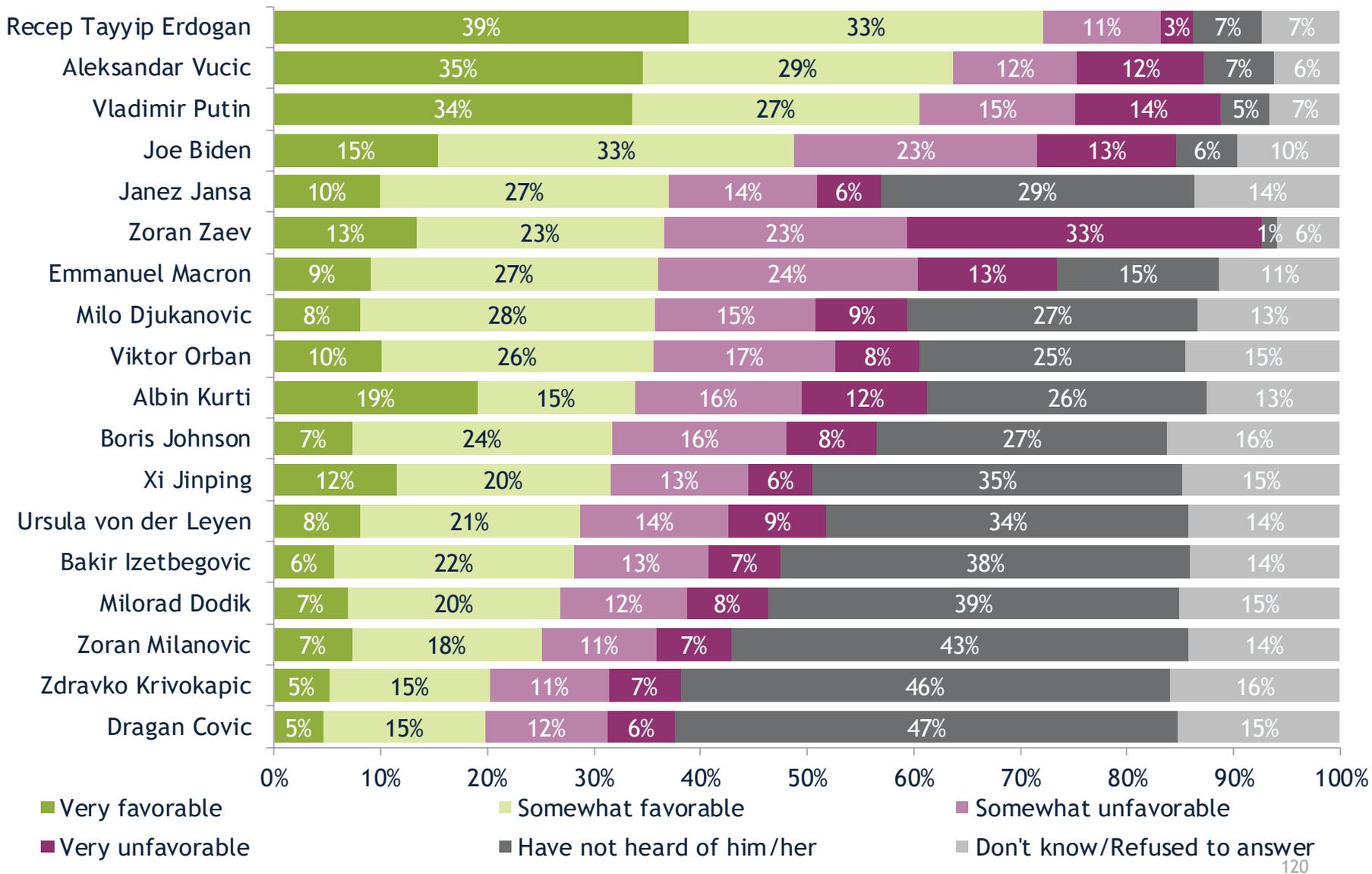
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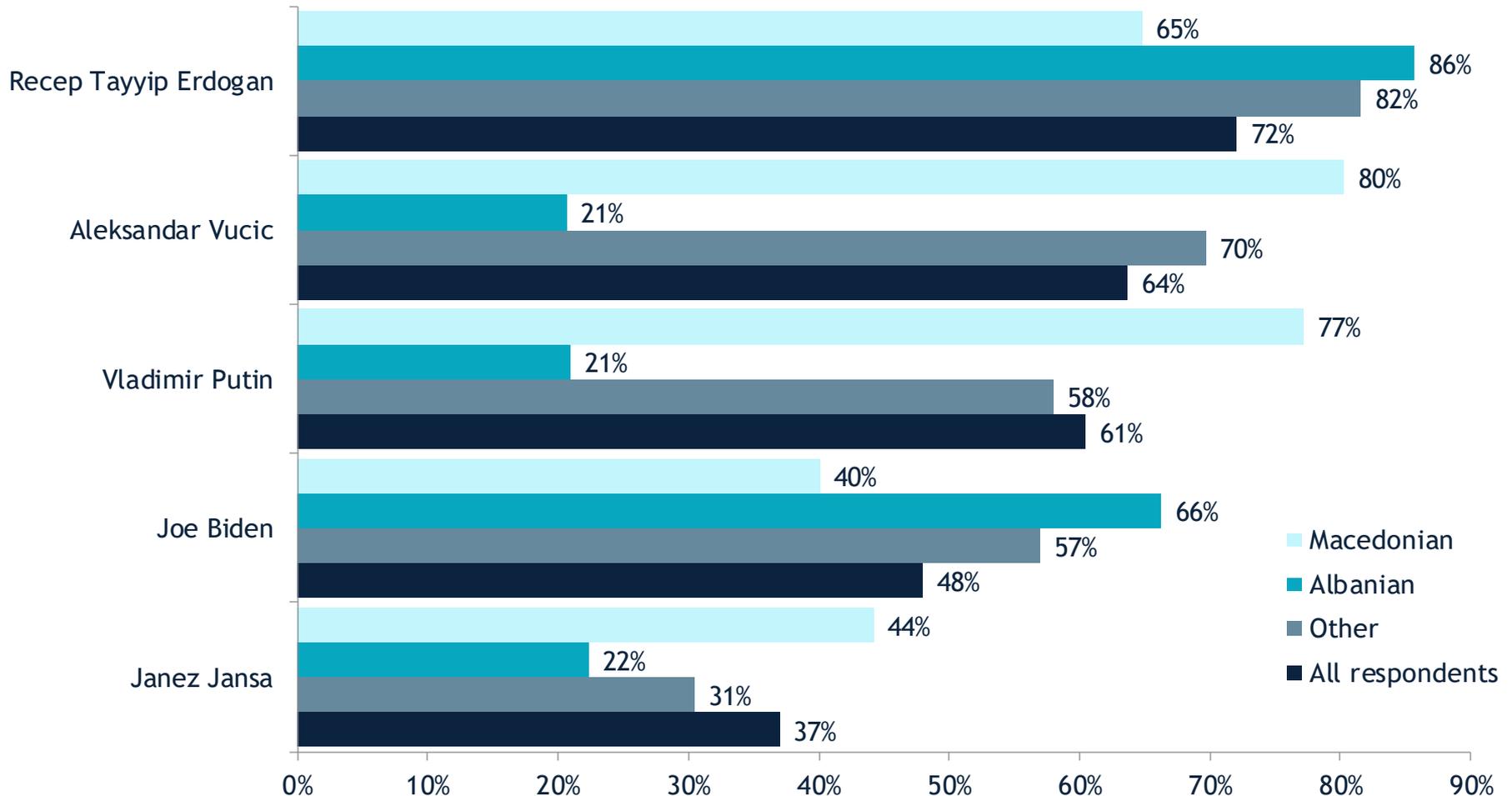
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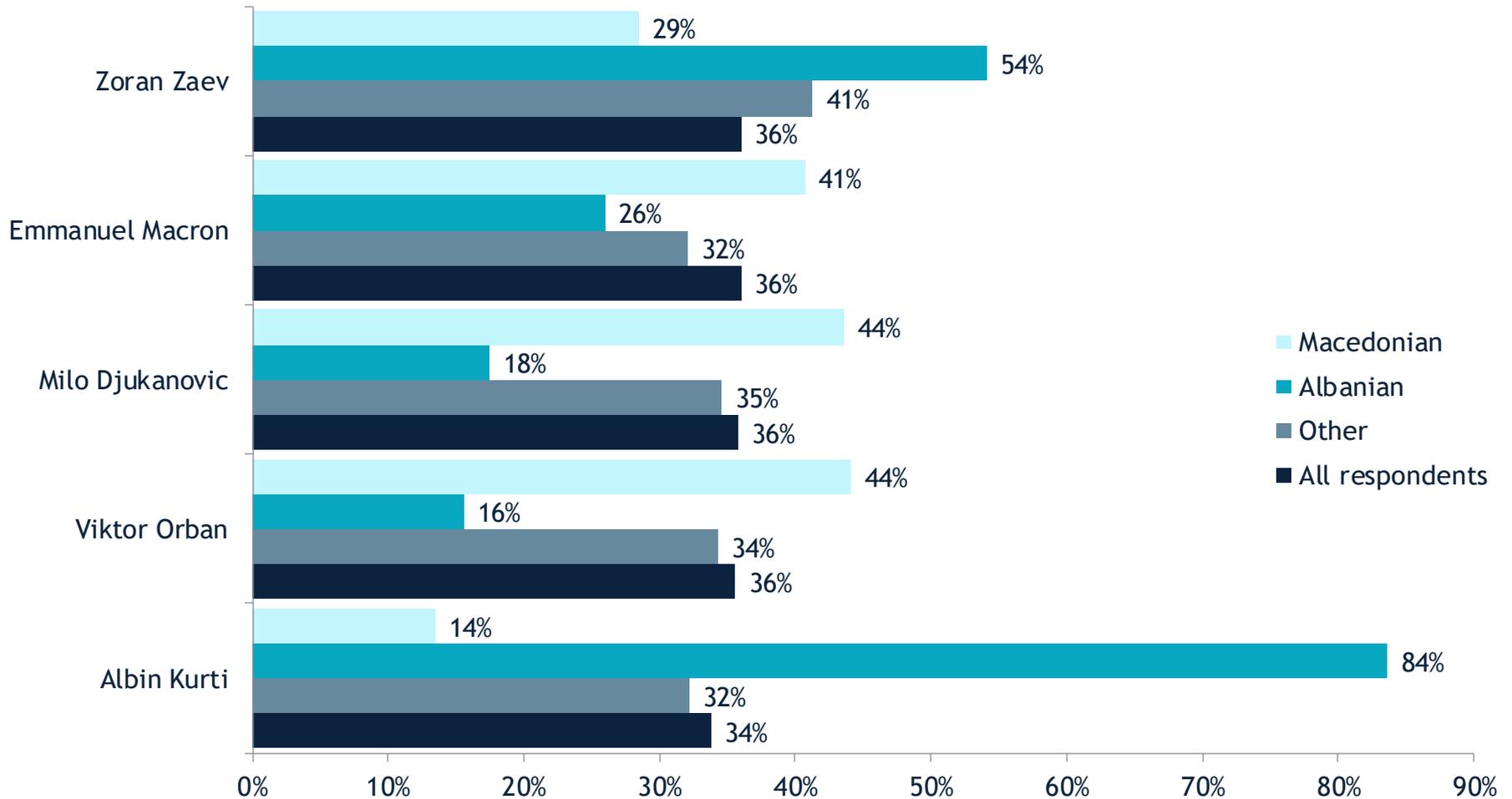


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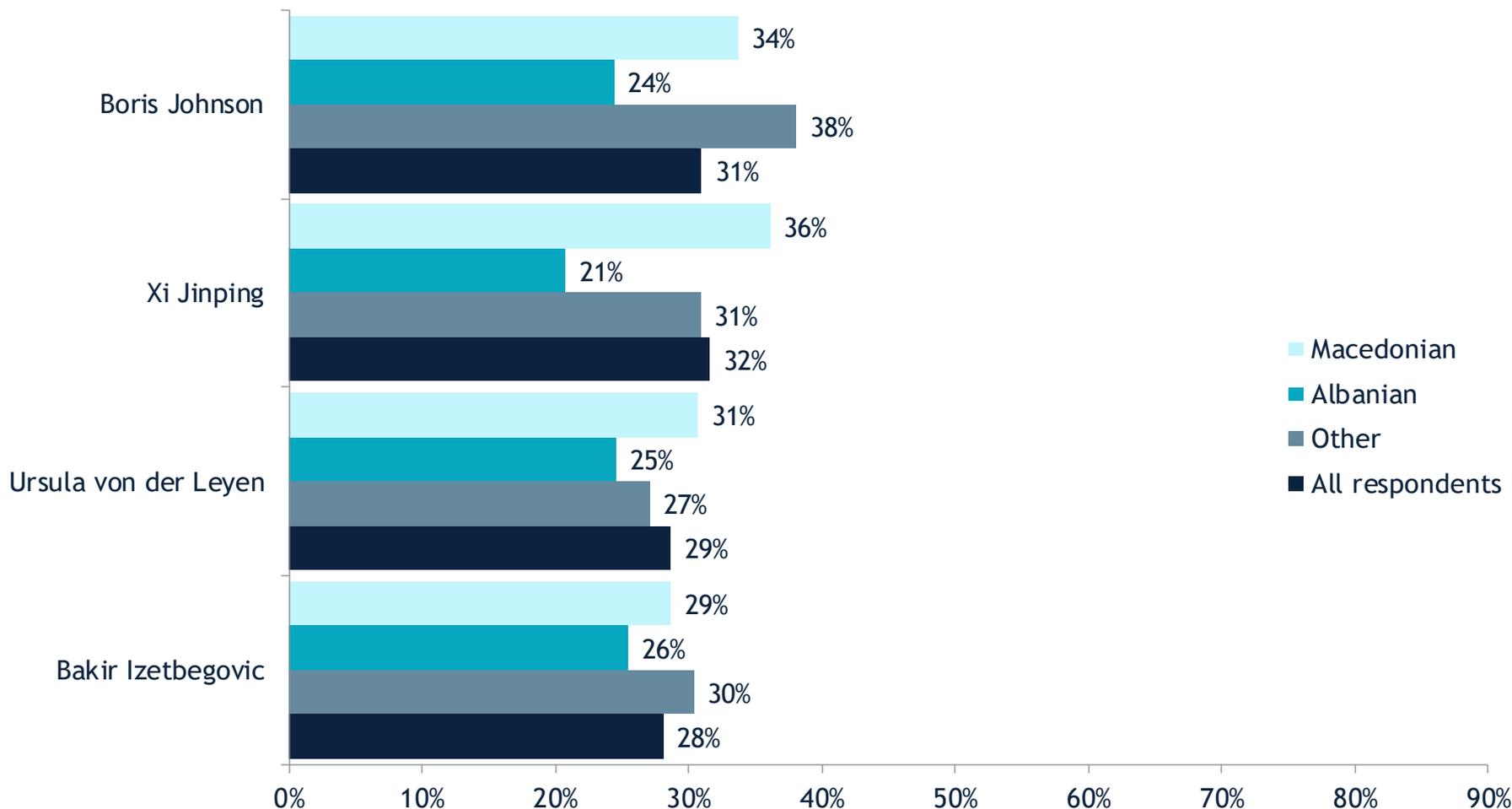


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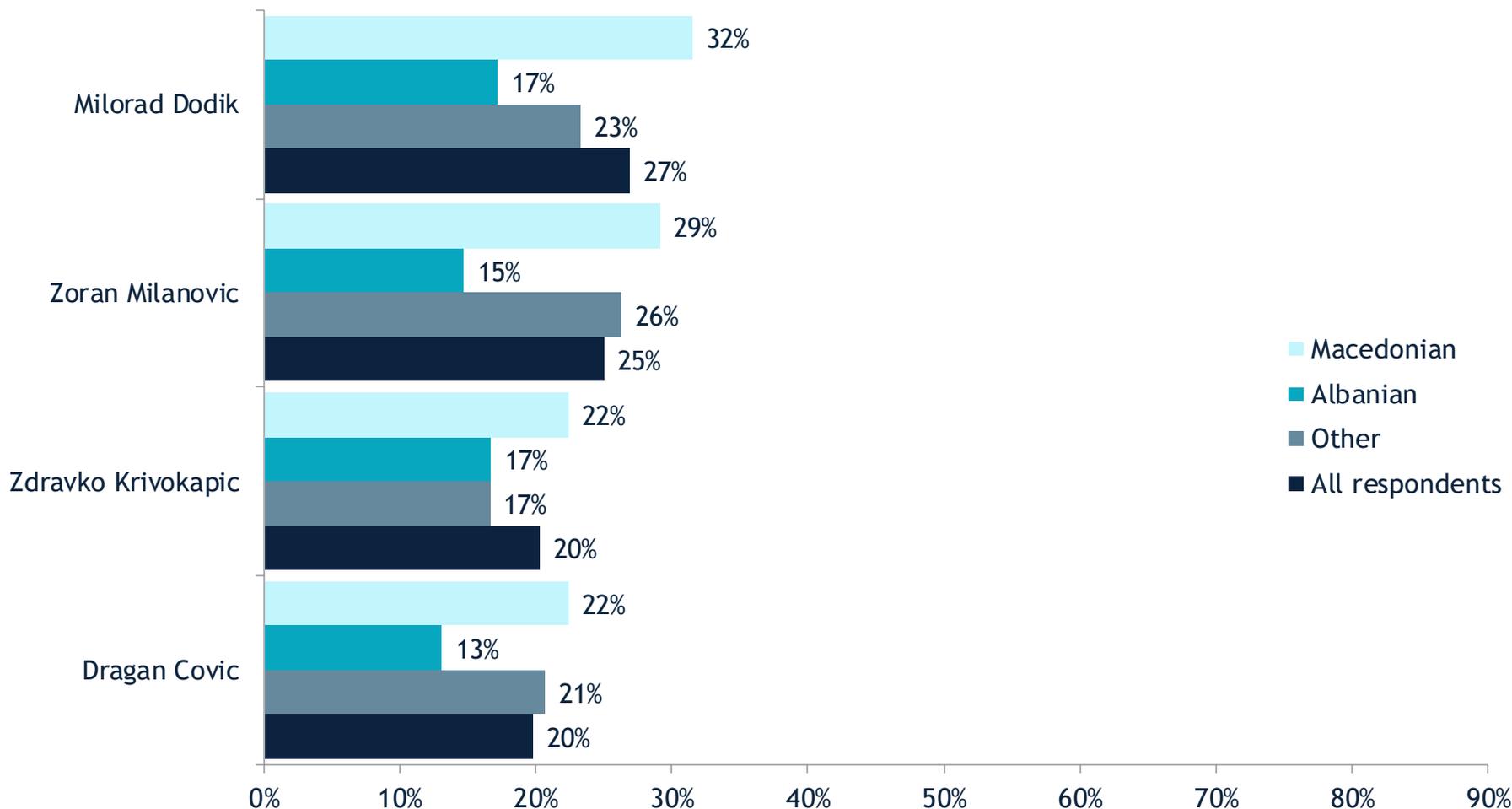


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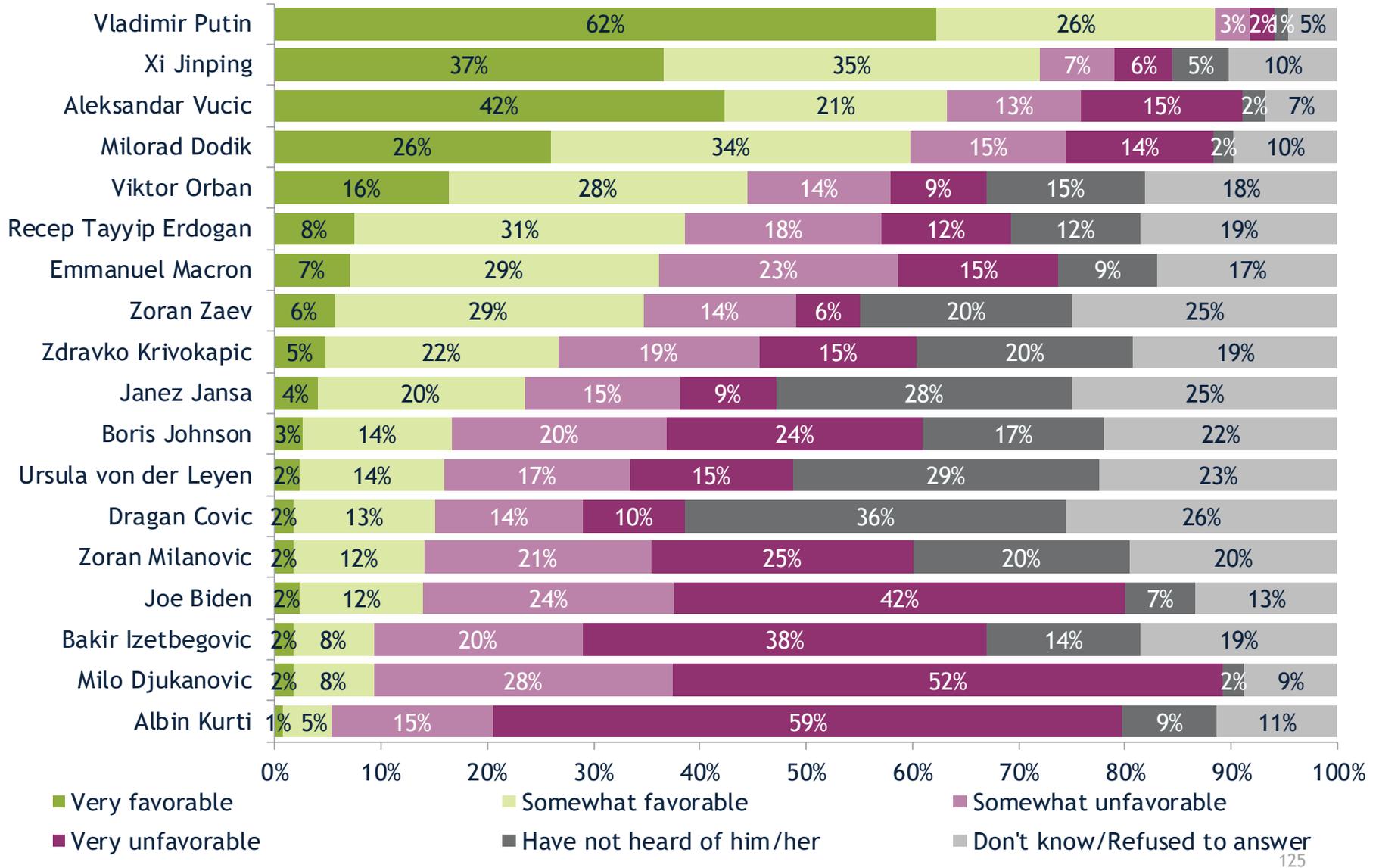


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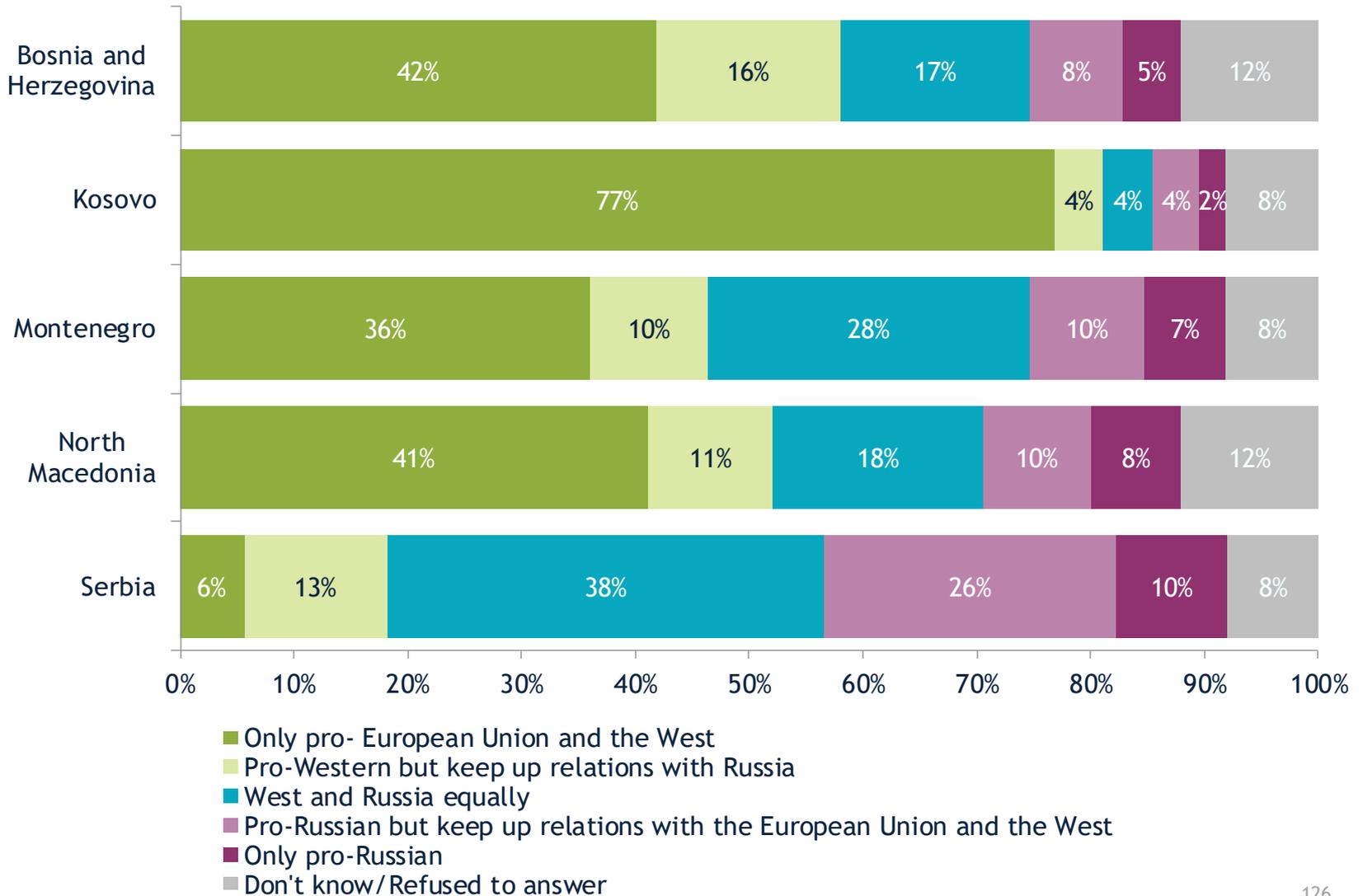


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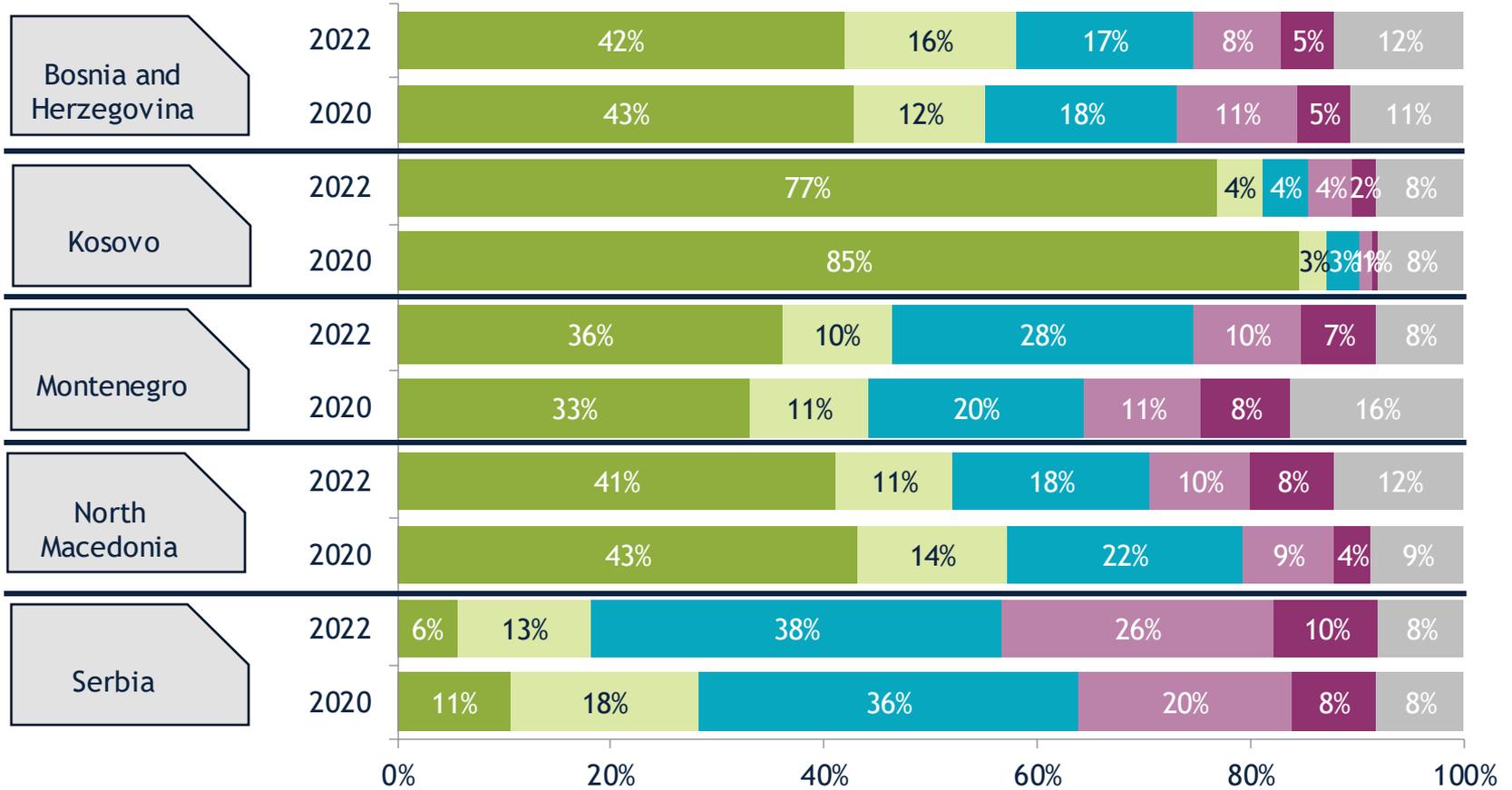
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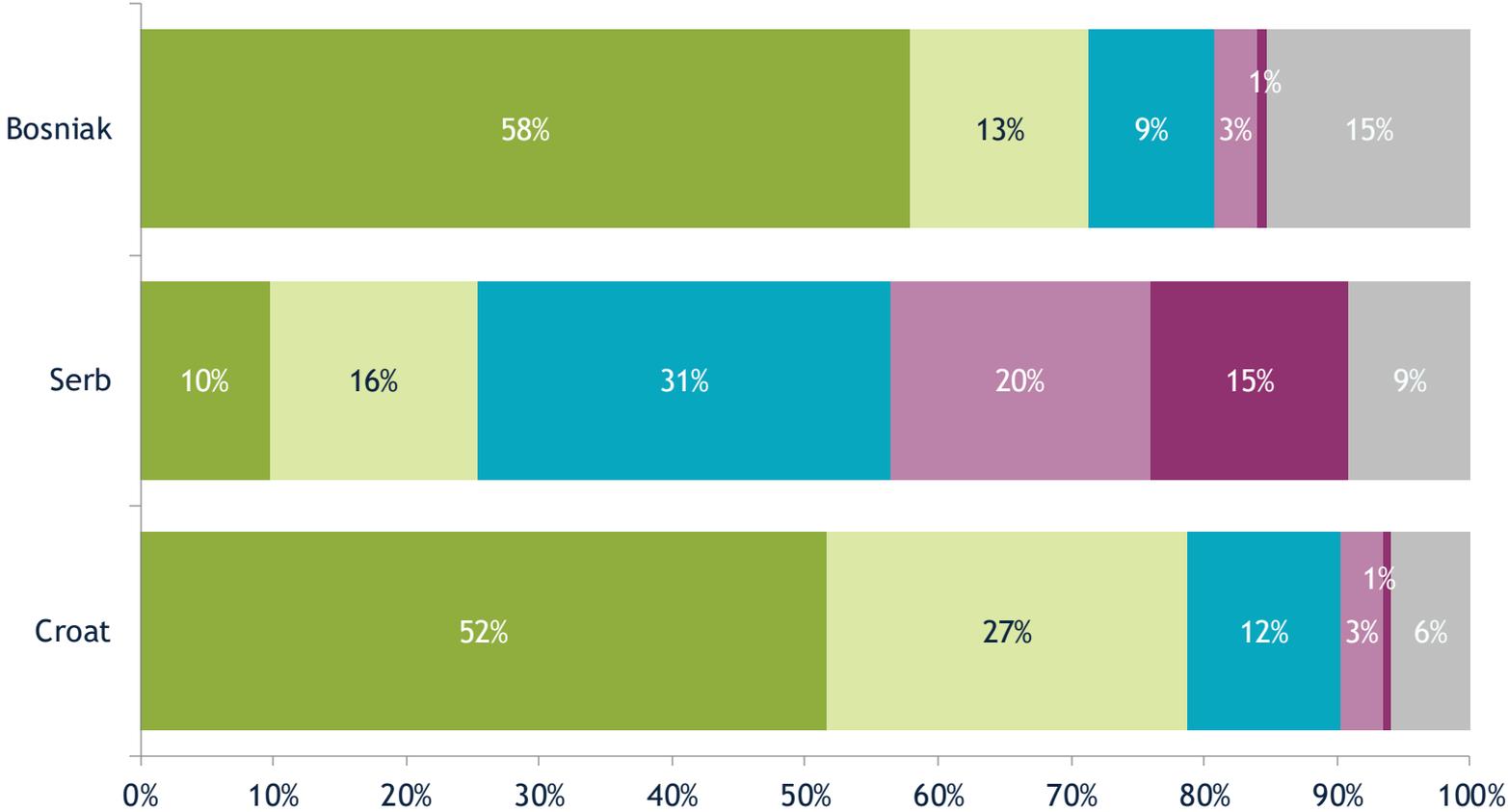
- Only pro-European Union and the West
- Pro-Western but keep up relations with Russia
- West and Russia equally
- Pro-Russian but keep up relations with the European Union and the West
- Only pro-Russian
- Don't know/Refused to answer



What should our country's foreign policy course be?



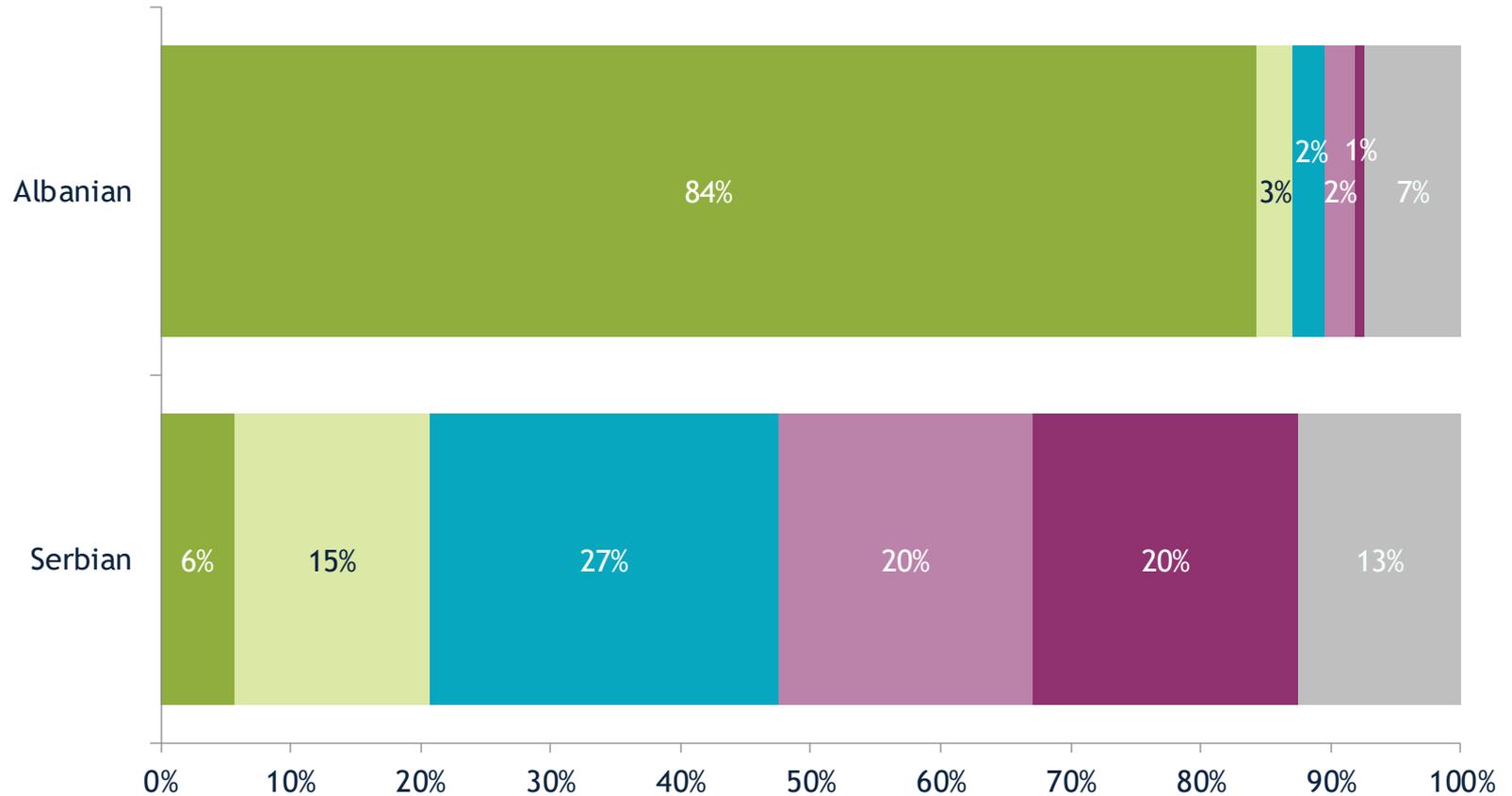
(Bosnia and Herzegovina, by ethnic background)



- Only pro- European Union and the West
- Pro-Western but keep up relations with Russia
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- Only pro-Russian
- Don't know/ Refused to answer

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(Kosovo, by ethnic background)



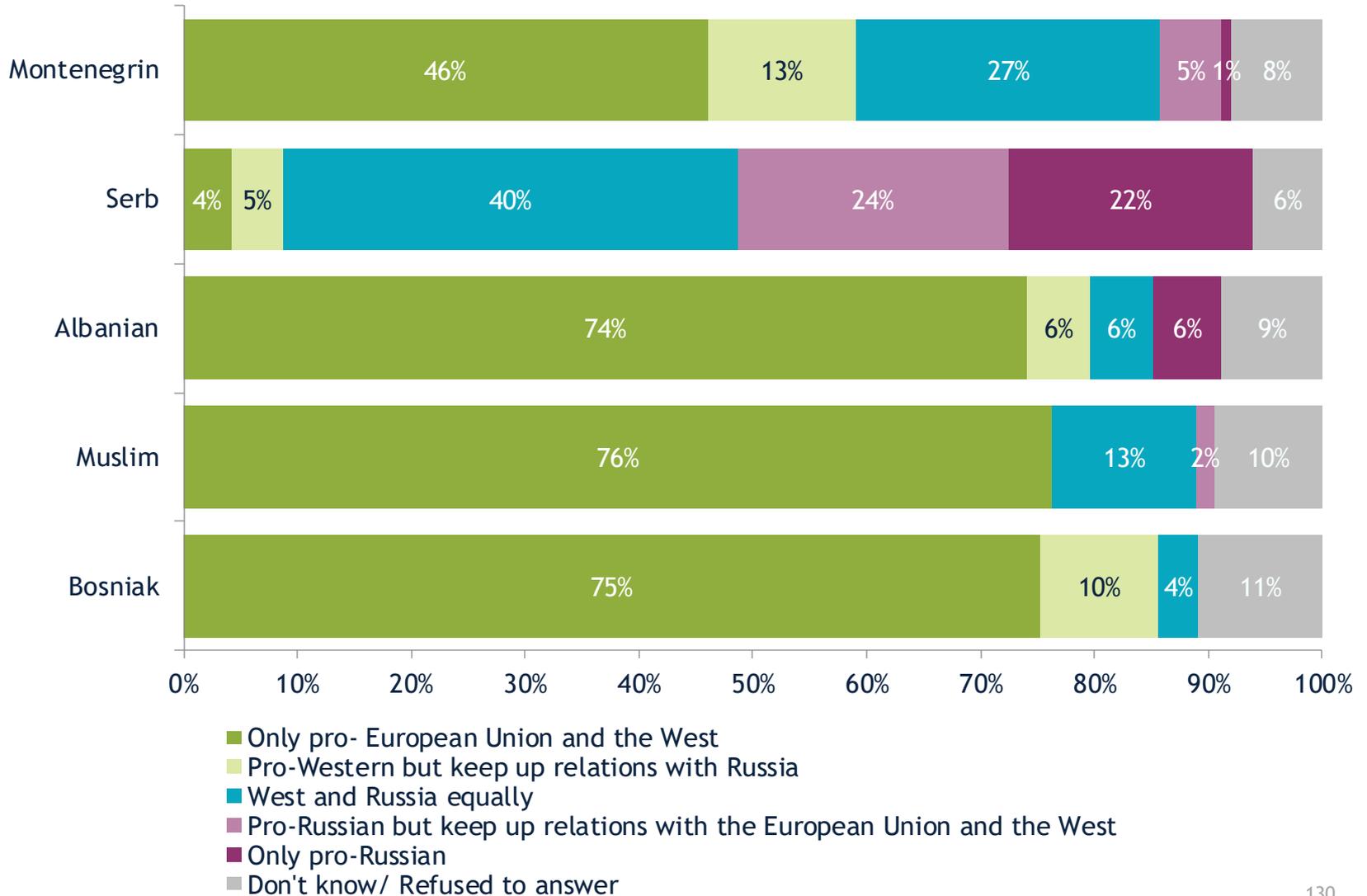
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(Montenegro, by ethnic background)





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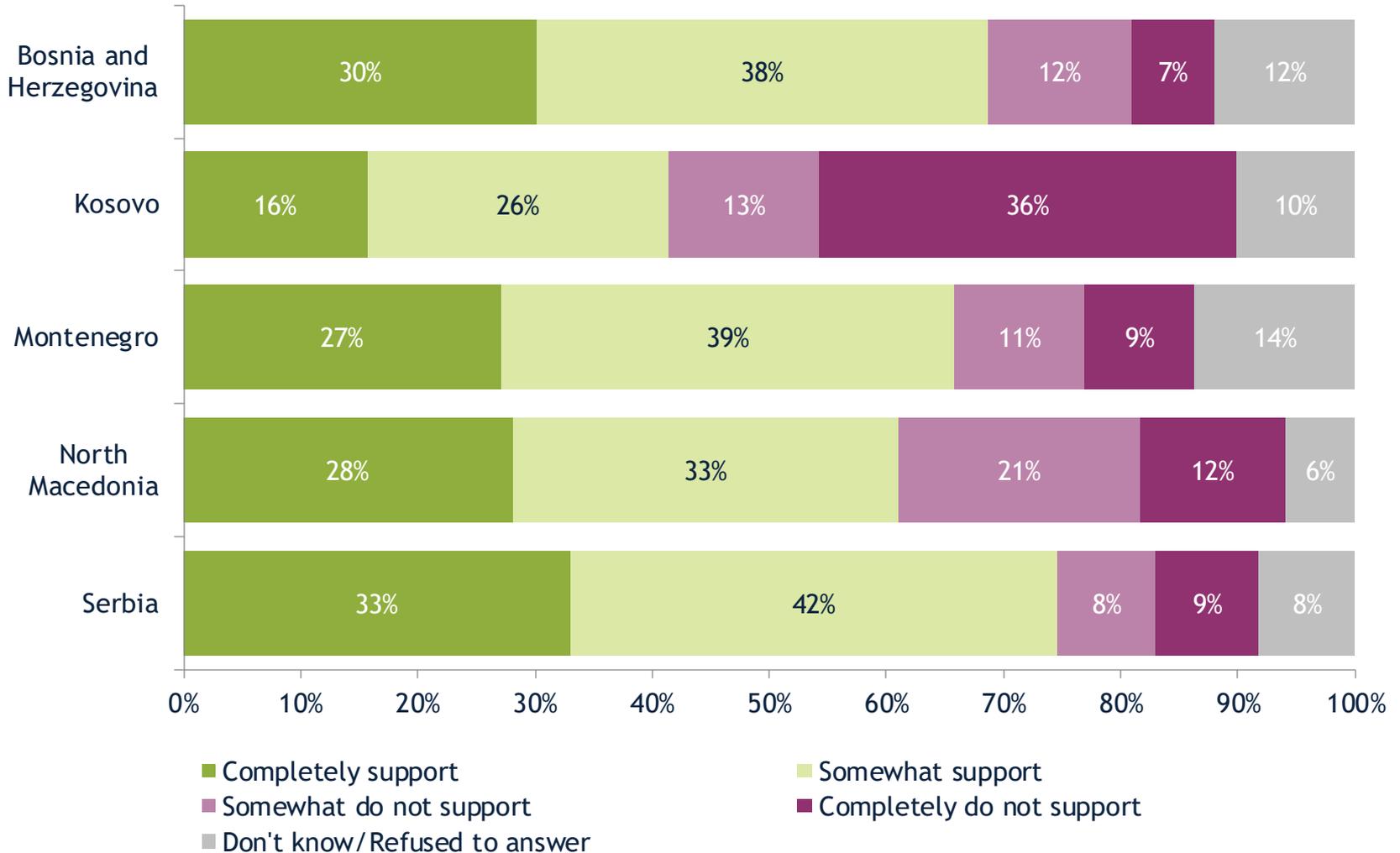


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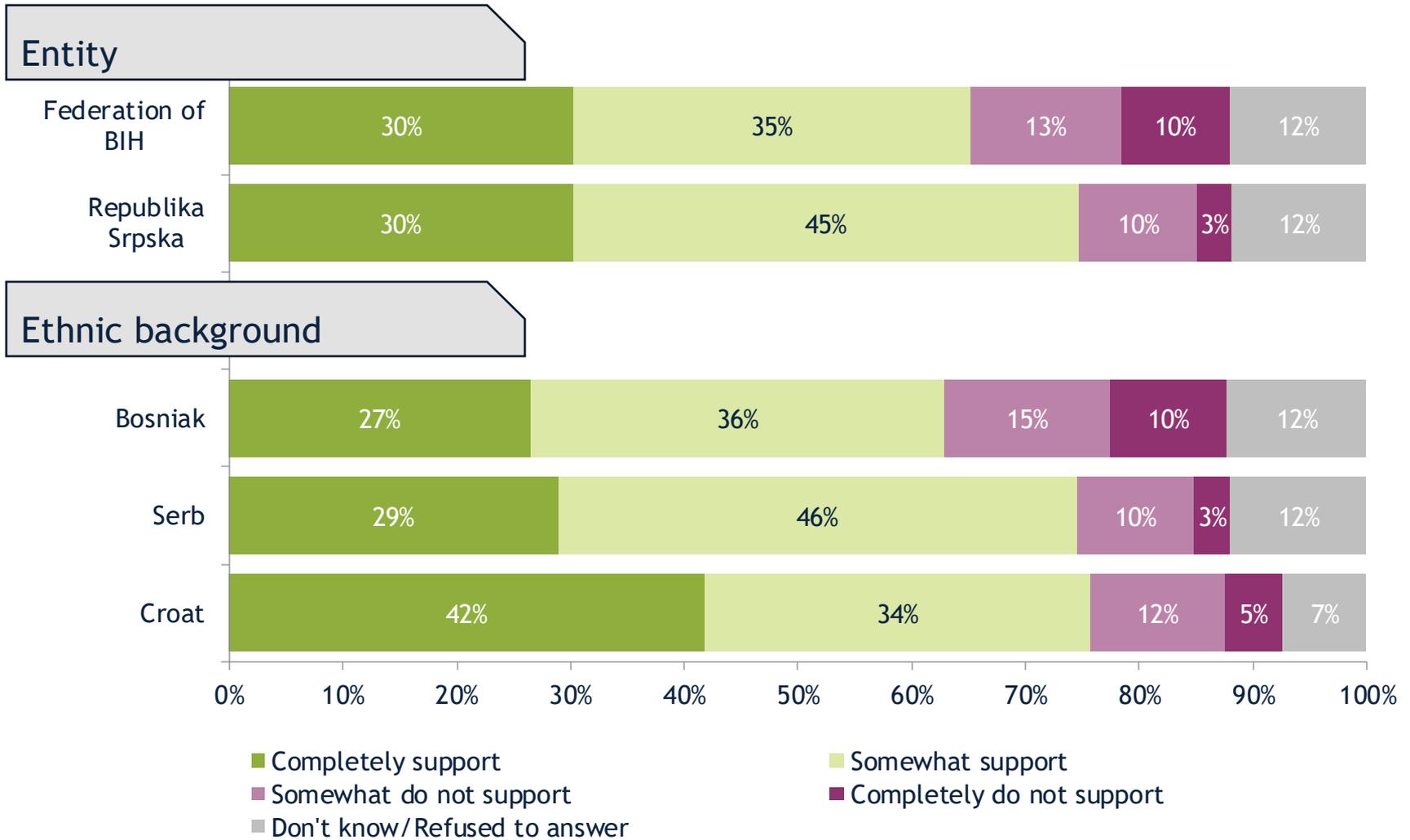
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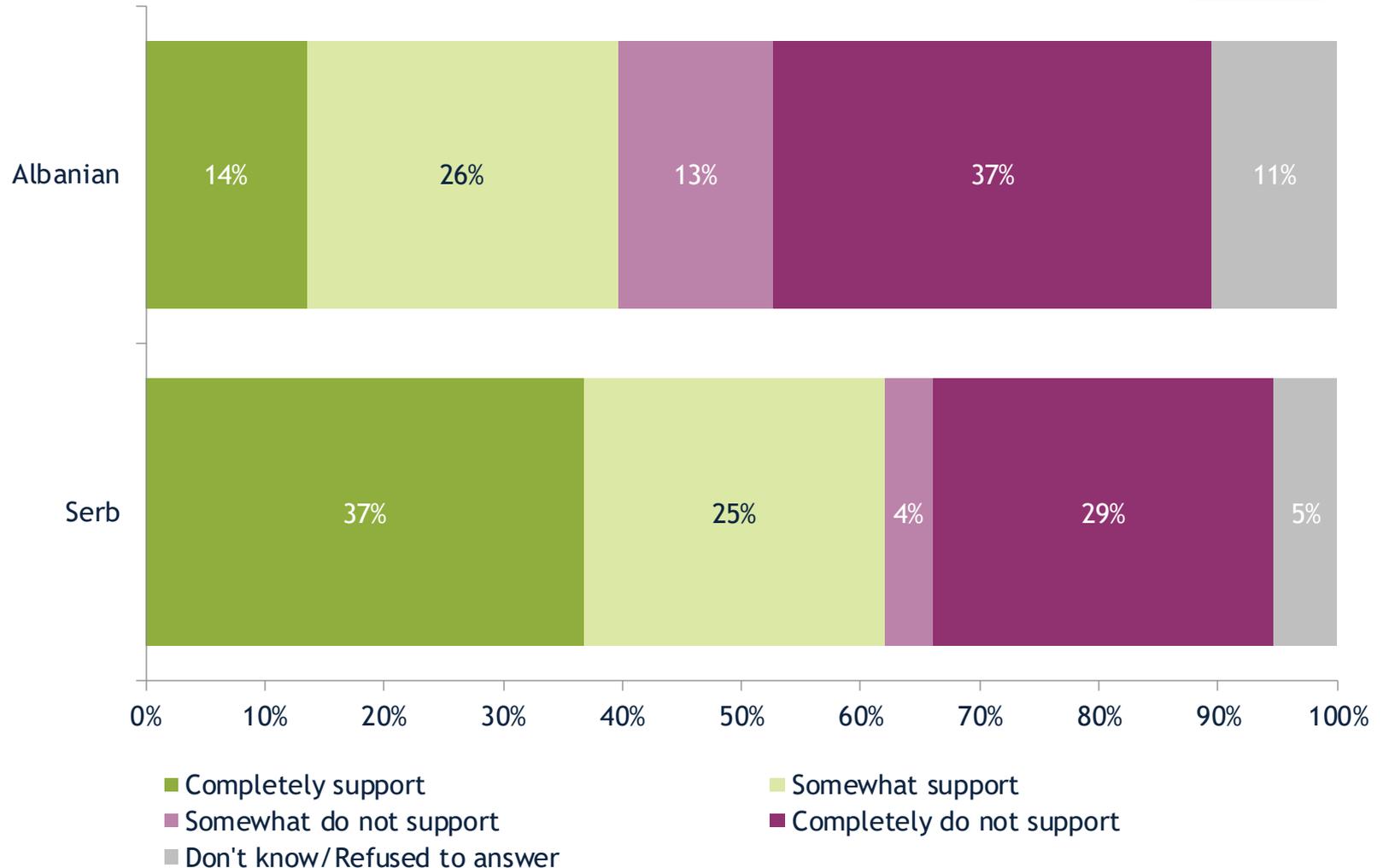
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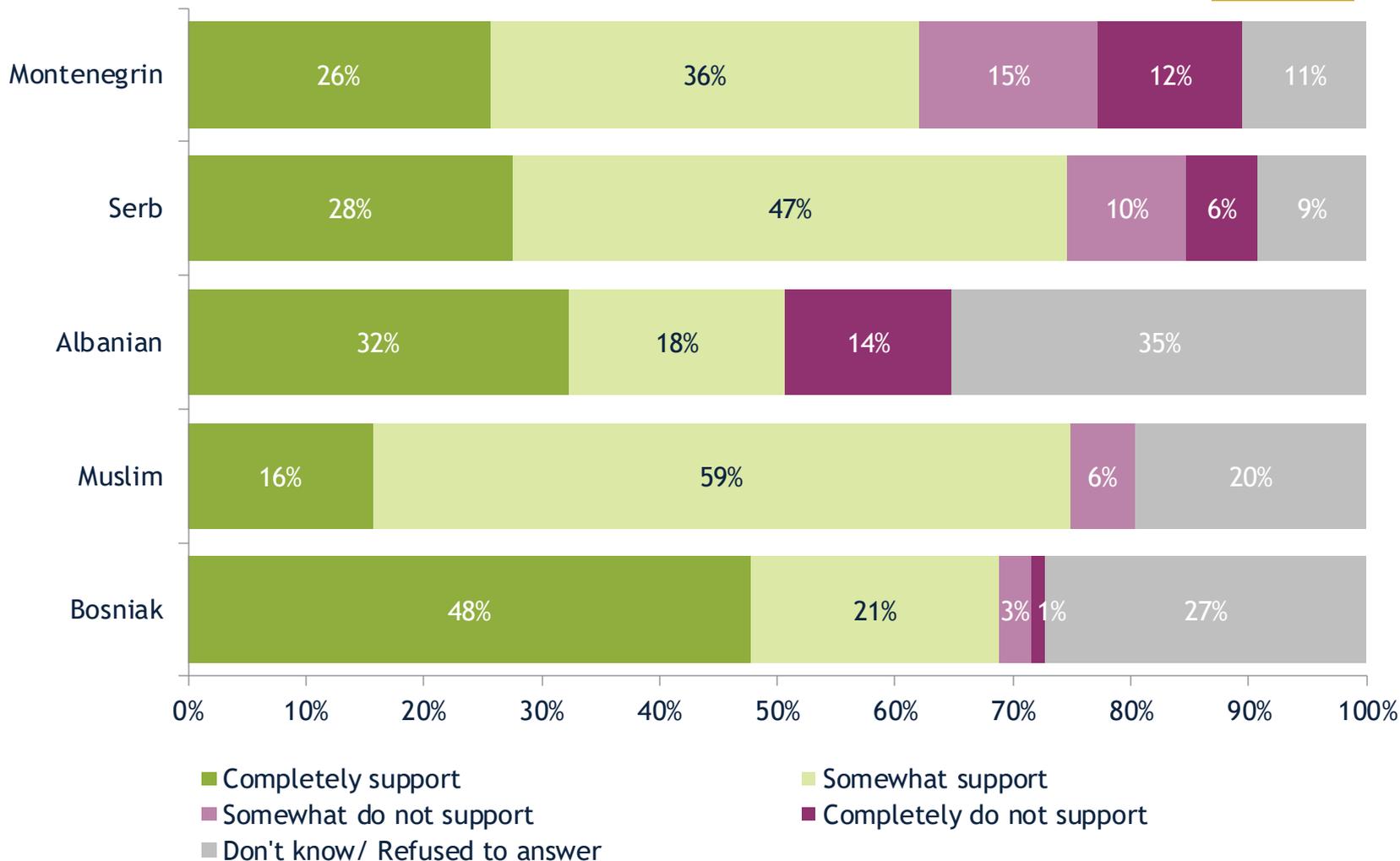
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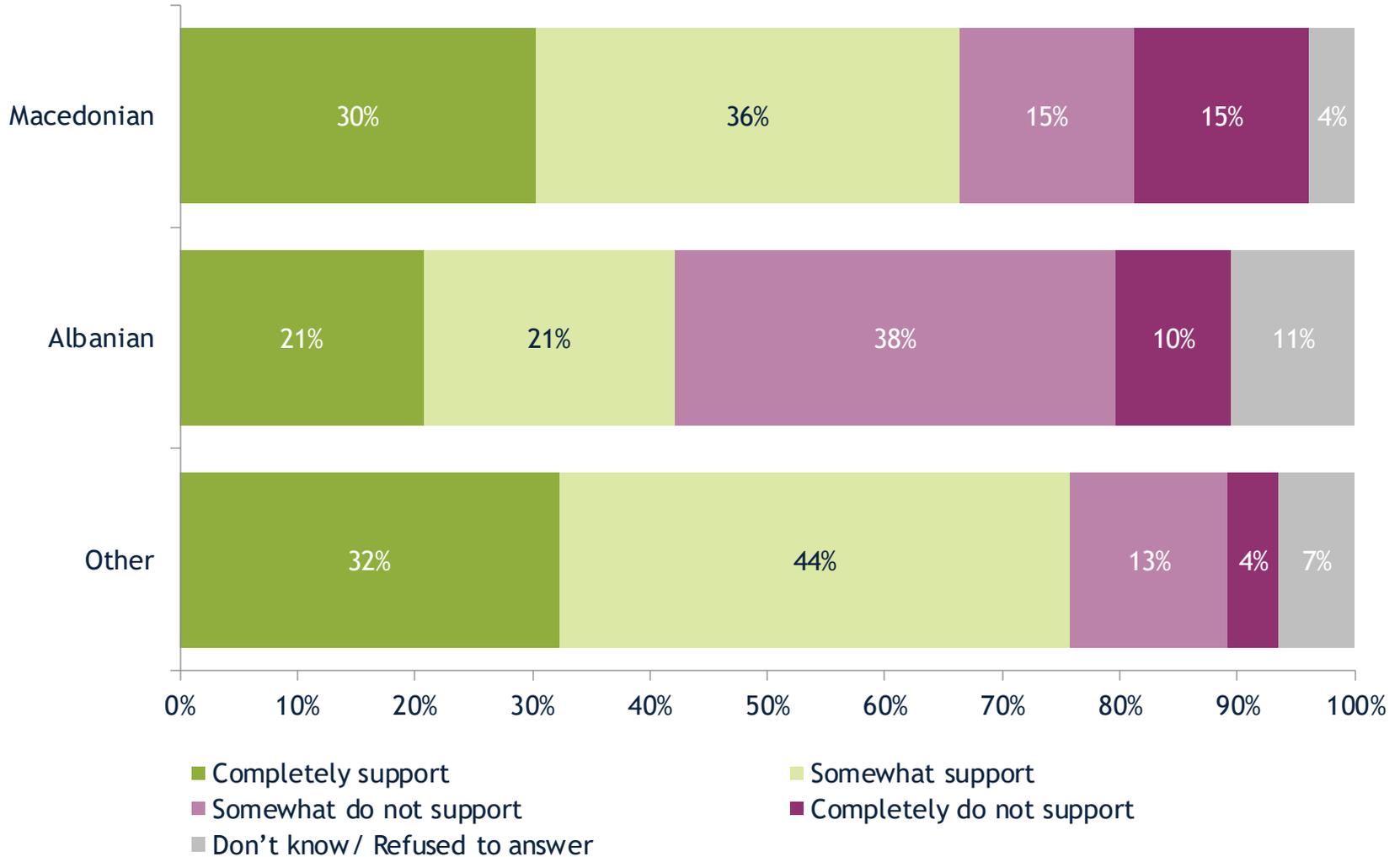
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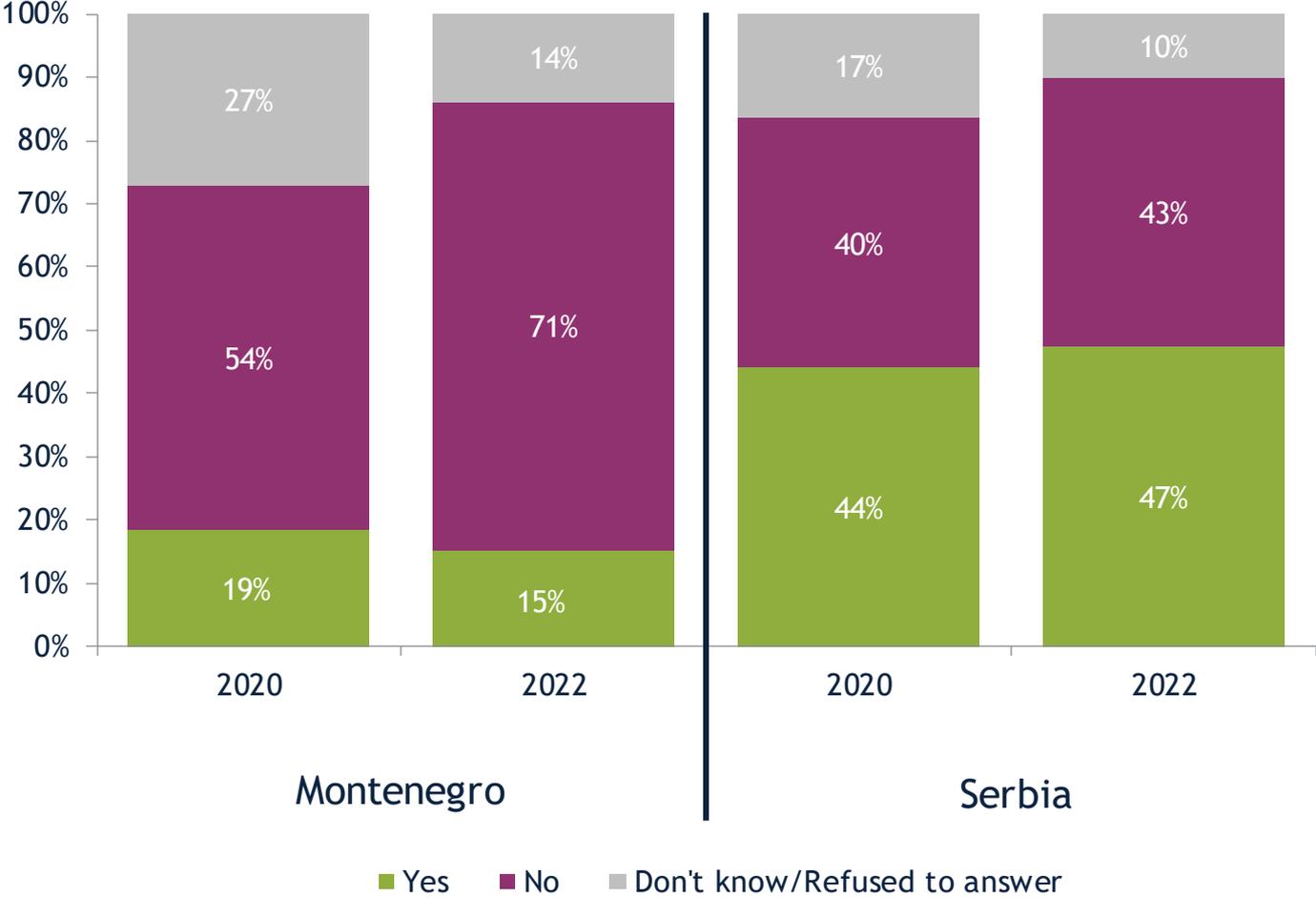
Foreign Investment





Are you aware of any major Russian investments in our country?

(Montenegro and Serbia, 2022 vs 2020)



Which major Russian investment are you aware of?

(Montenegro and Serbia, those who are aware of major Russian investments; spontaneous response; multiple responses permitted)

Major Russian investment	Montenegro (n=153)	Serbia (n=711)
Gas pipeline construction	0%	39%
Weapons / Military Industry	0%	15%
NIS ¹	0%	13%
Gazprom	0%	10%
Tourism (Hotels, resorts, investments on the coast)	48%	0%
Investing in health / assistance in the fight against Covid19 / vaccine	18%	3%
Railway	0%	8%
Economy / Production	10%	3%
Investments in energy in general	0%	3%
Infrastructure (roads, bridges)	0%	2%
Favorable gas price	0%	2%
Investments in the renovation of the church, monument	0%	2%
KAP ²	7%	0%
Buying real estate	6%	0%
Ruski most	2%	0%
*Other	5%	2%
Don't know /Refused to answer	14%	11%

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1. Serbian Oil Industry

2. Aluminum Plant Podgorica



Which of the following statements best describes Russia's motivations to invest in our country?

(Montenegro and Serbia, 2022 vs 2020)

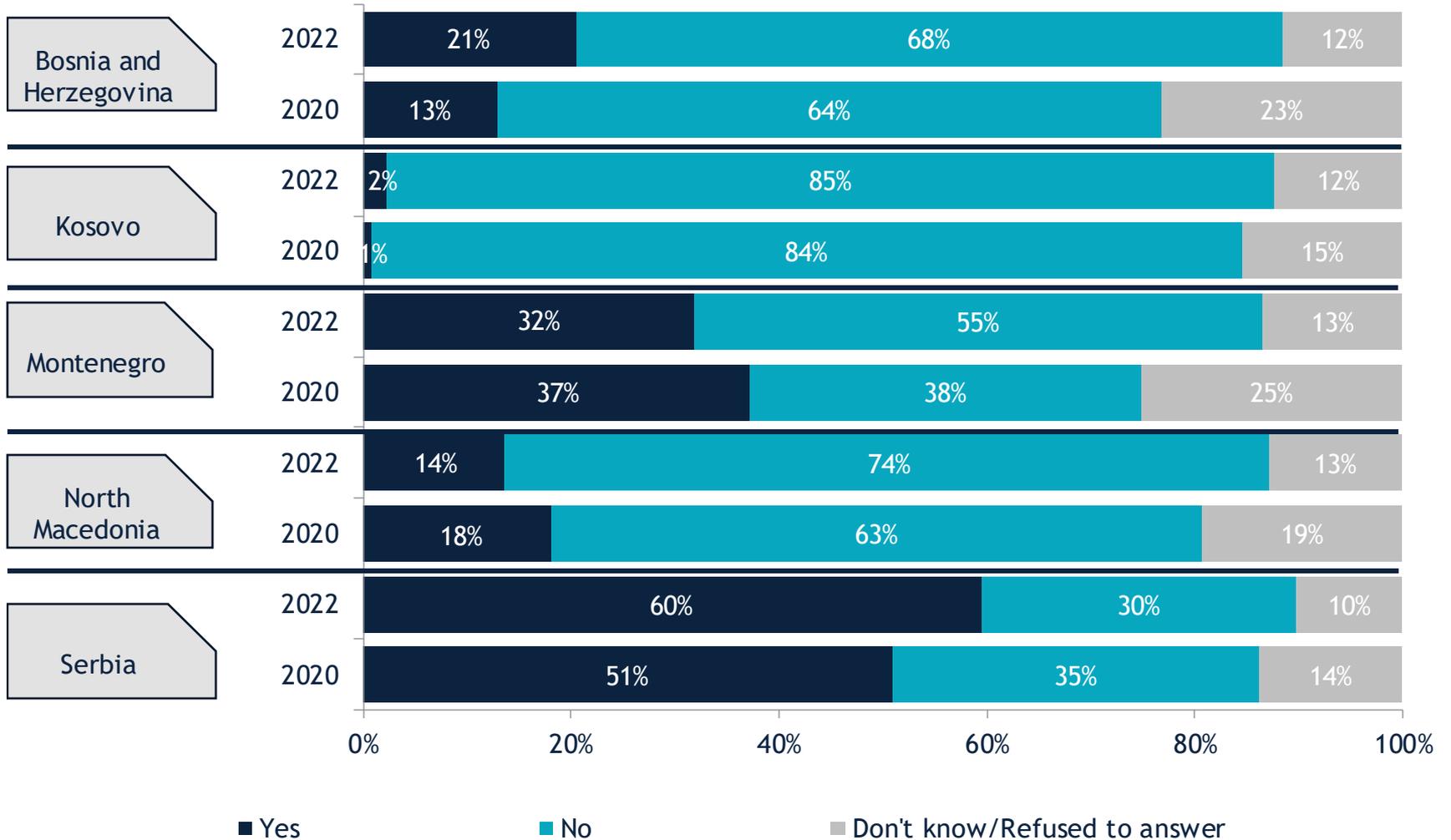


- Russian investment is primarily about economics, delivering benefits to both sides
- Russian investment gives some economic benefits to our country, but it always carries certain political expectations and conditions
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- Don't know/Refused to answer



Are you aware of any major Chinese investments in our country?

(2022 vs 2020)



Which major Chinese investment are you aware of?

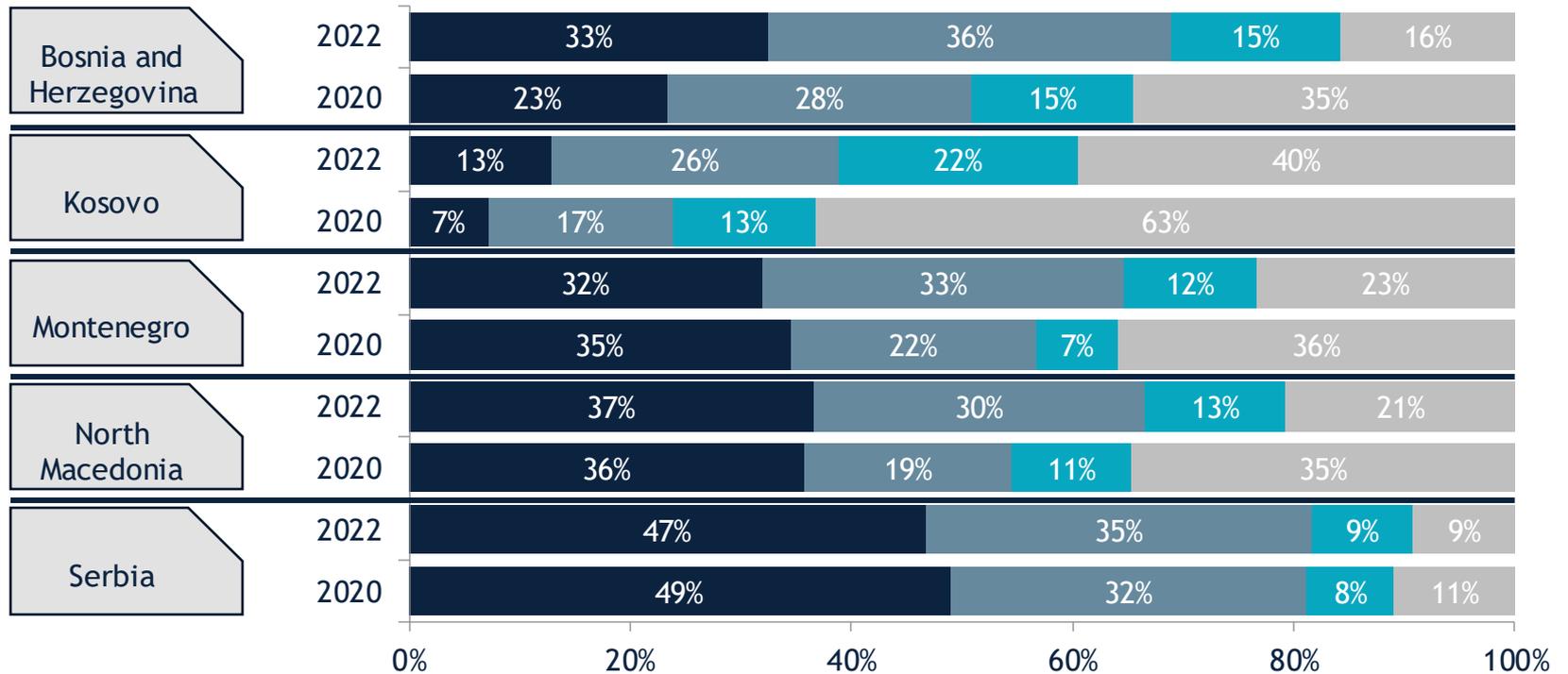
(Among those who are aware of major Chinese investments; spontaneous response; multiple responses permitted)

Major Chinese investment	Bosnia and Herzegovina (n=307)	Kosovo (n=35)	Montenegro (n=320)	North Macedonia (n=202)	Serbia (n=895)
Investments in infrastructure (roads, bridges)	35%	0%	2%	59%	36%
Bar Boljari Highway	0%	0%	84%	0%	0%
Industry (factories open)	2%	0%	0%	3%	18%
Smederevo Ironworks	0%	0%	0%	0%	16%
Investing in health and education	5%	0%	7%	21%	9%
RTB Bor	0%	0%	0%	0%	16%
Reconstruction of the Railway	1%	0%	0%	0%	9%
Lingong Tire Factory	0%	0%	0%	0%	8%
Investments in the energy sector unspecified	14%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Tuzla Thermal Power Plant (block 7)	14%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Stanari Thermal Power Plant	13%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Mining / construction	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%
Economy / Banking / Trade	3%	0%	0%	3%	1%
Banja Luka Prijedor Novigrad Highway	4%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Highway Corridor Vc / Highway through Sarajevo	4%	0%	0%	0%	0%
*Other	1%	15%	1%	2%	<1%
Don't know/Refused to answer	12%	85%	6%	12%	10%

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Which of the following statements best describes China's motivations to invest in our country?

(2022 vs 2020)



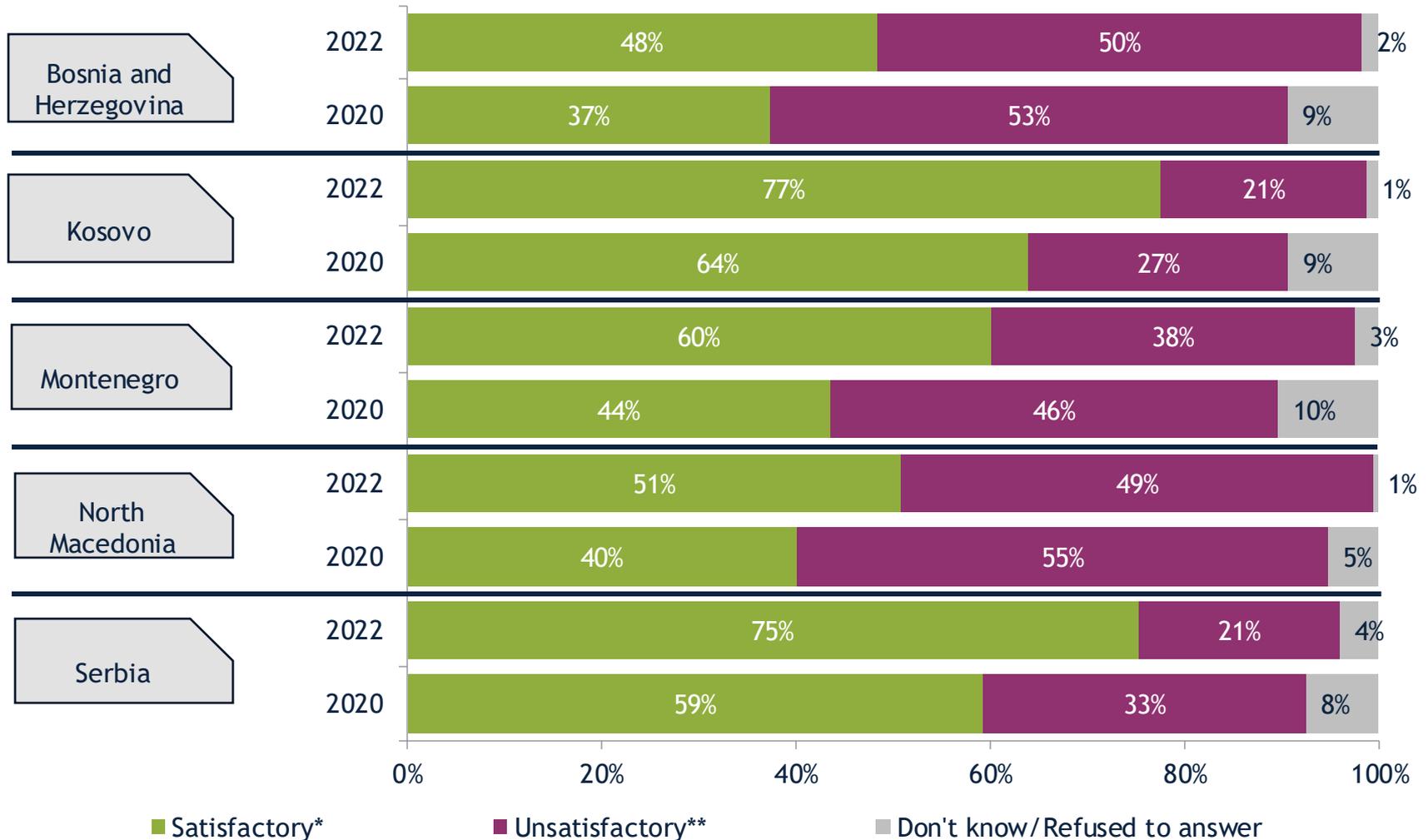
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Security Issues



How would you evaluate the security situation in the country?

(2022 vs 2020)



*Satisfactory refers to sum of answers Very satisfactory and Somewhat satisfactory.

**Unsatisfactory refers to sum of answers Somewhat unsatisfactory and Very unsatisfactory.



How would you evaluate the security situation in the country?

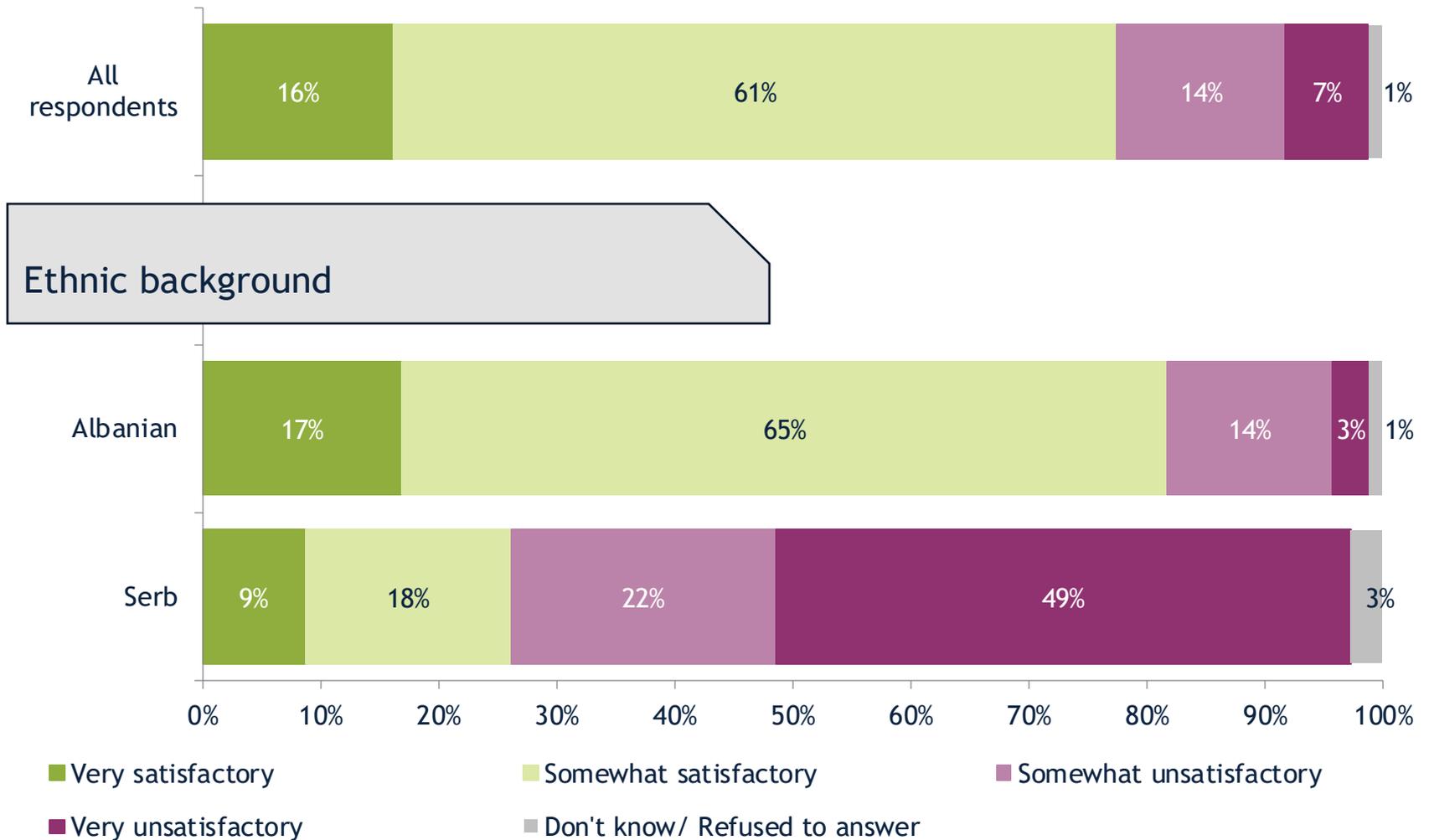
(Bosnia and Herzegovina, by ethnic background)





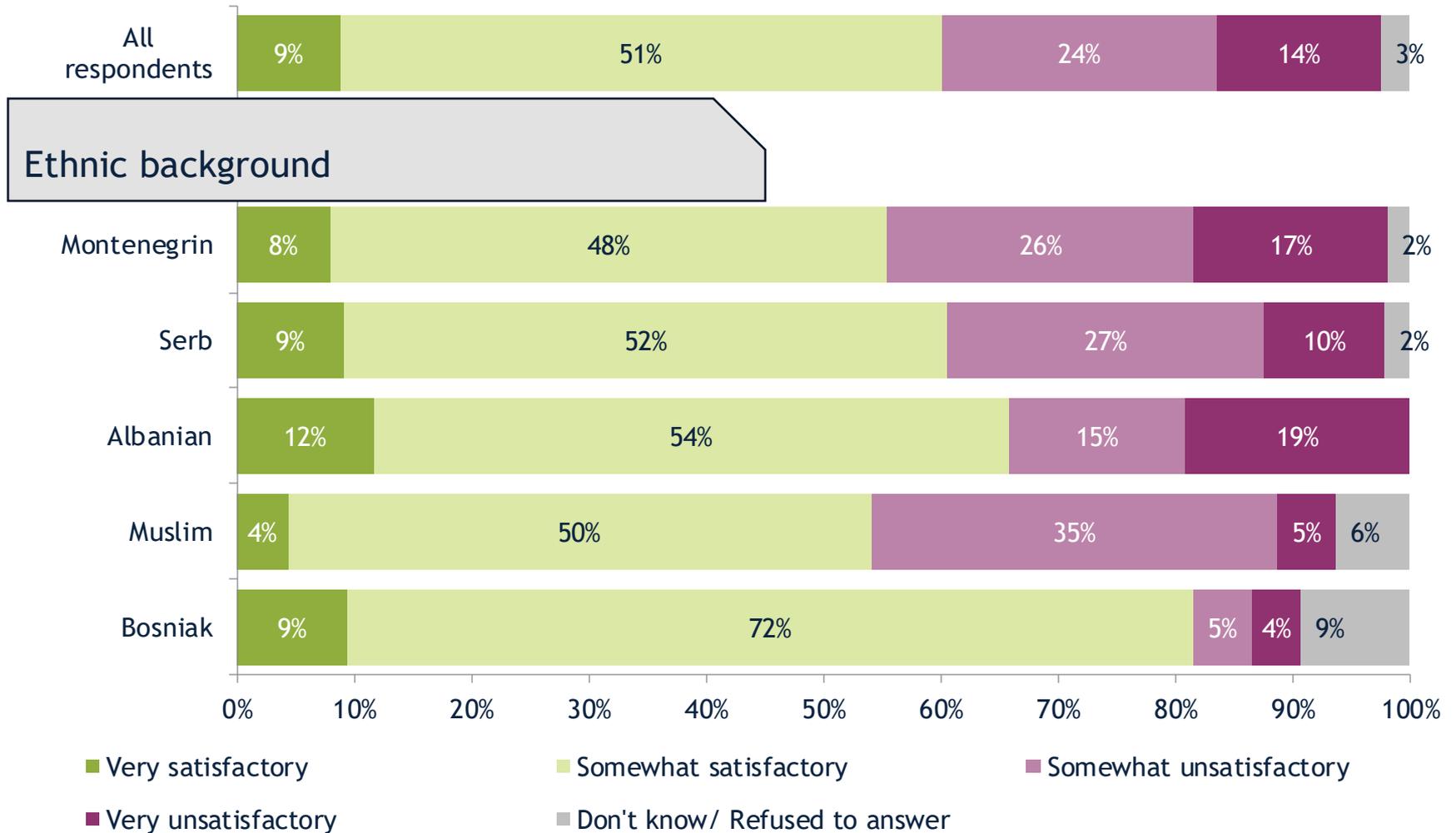
How would you evaluate the security situation in the country?

(Kosovo, by ethnic background)



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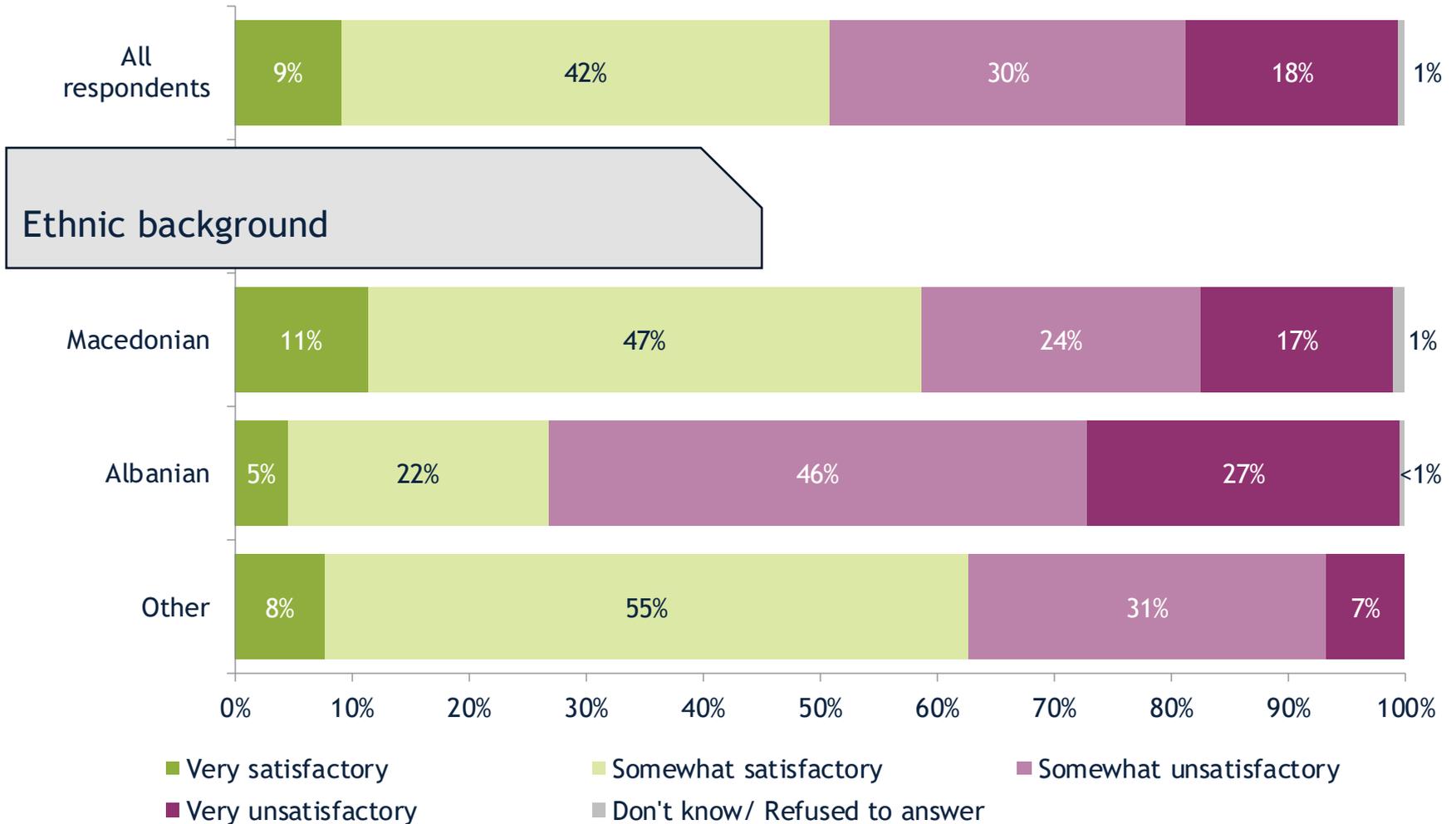
(Montenegro, by ethnic background)





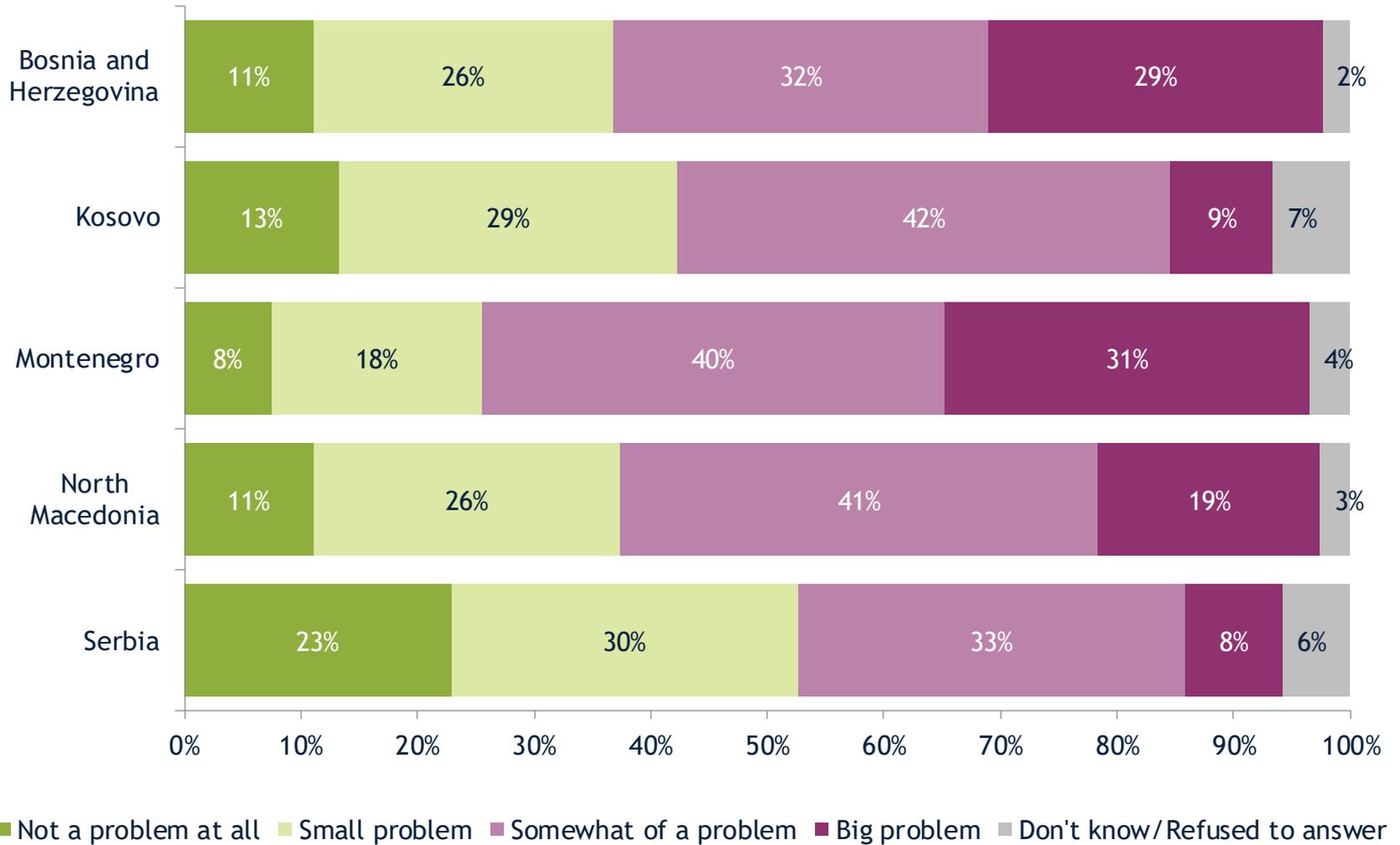
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(North Macedonia, by ethnic background)





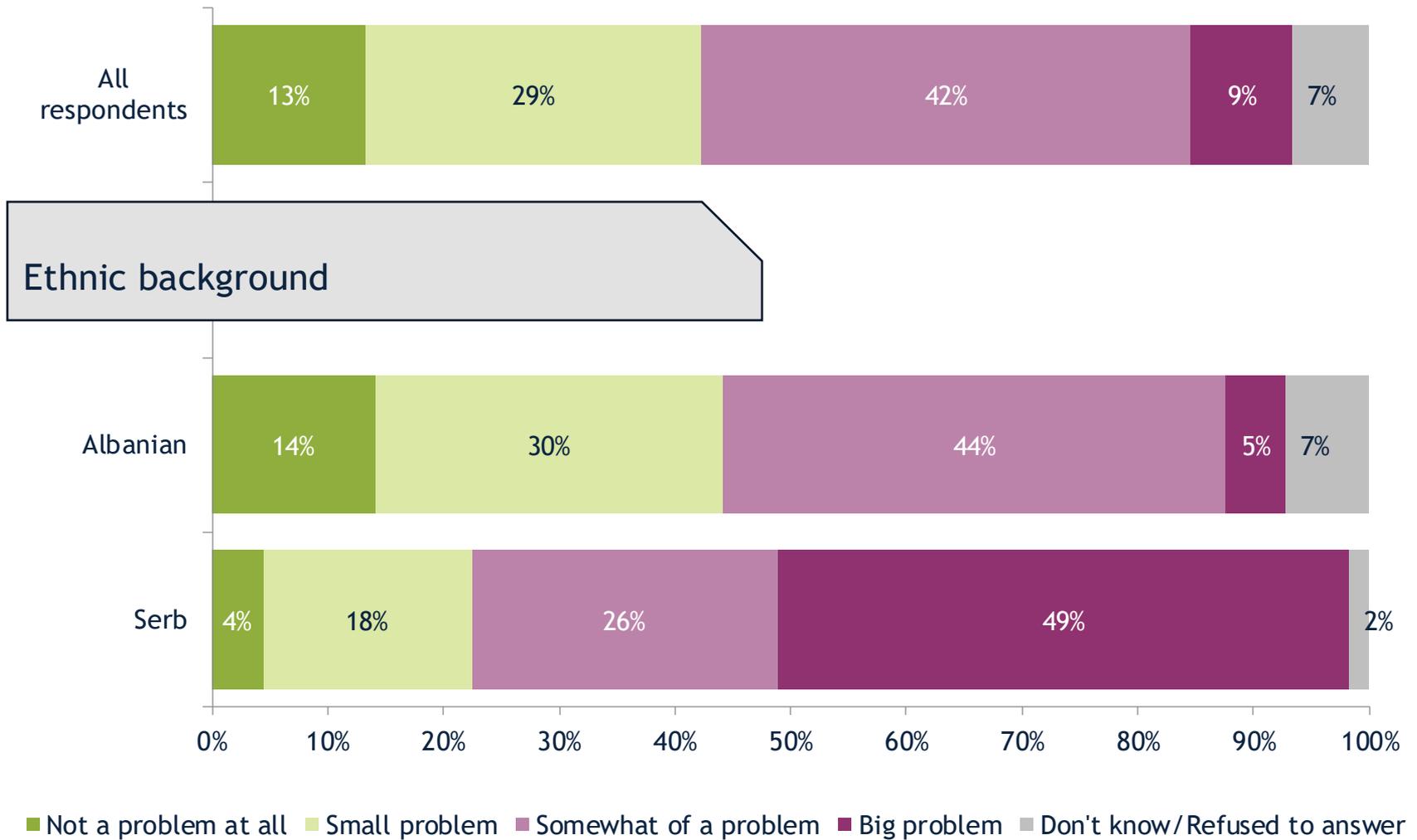
To what extent is nationalism a problem in our country?





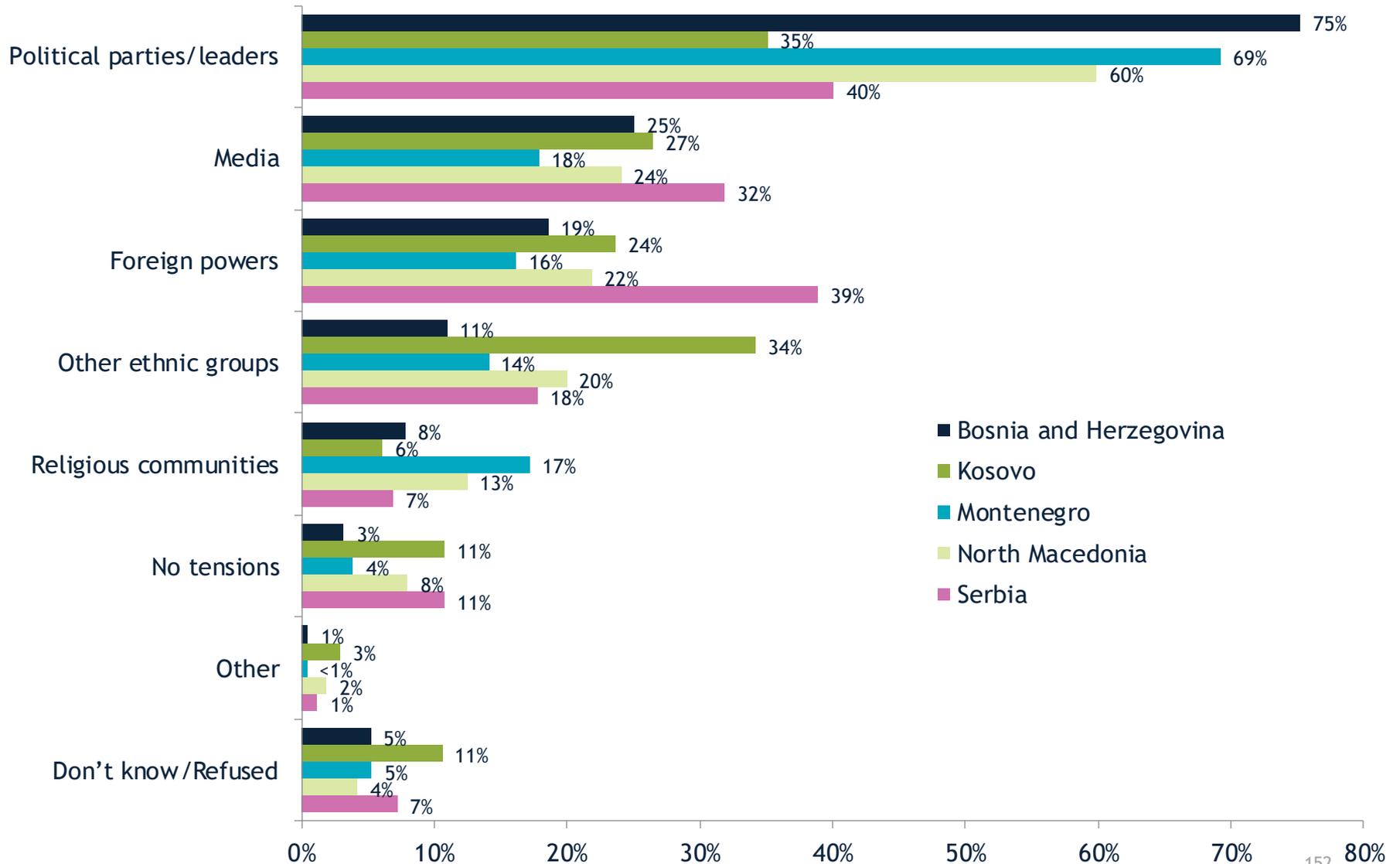
To what extent is nationalism a problem in our country?

(Kosovo, by ethnic background)



Who would you say is most responsible for existing tensions between different ethnic groups?

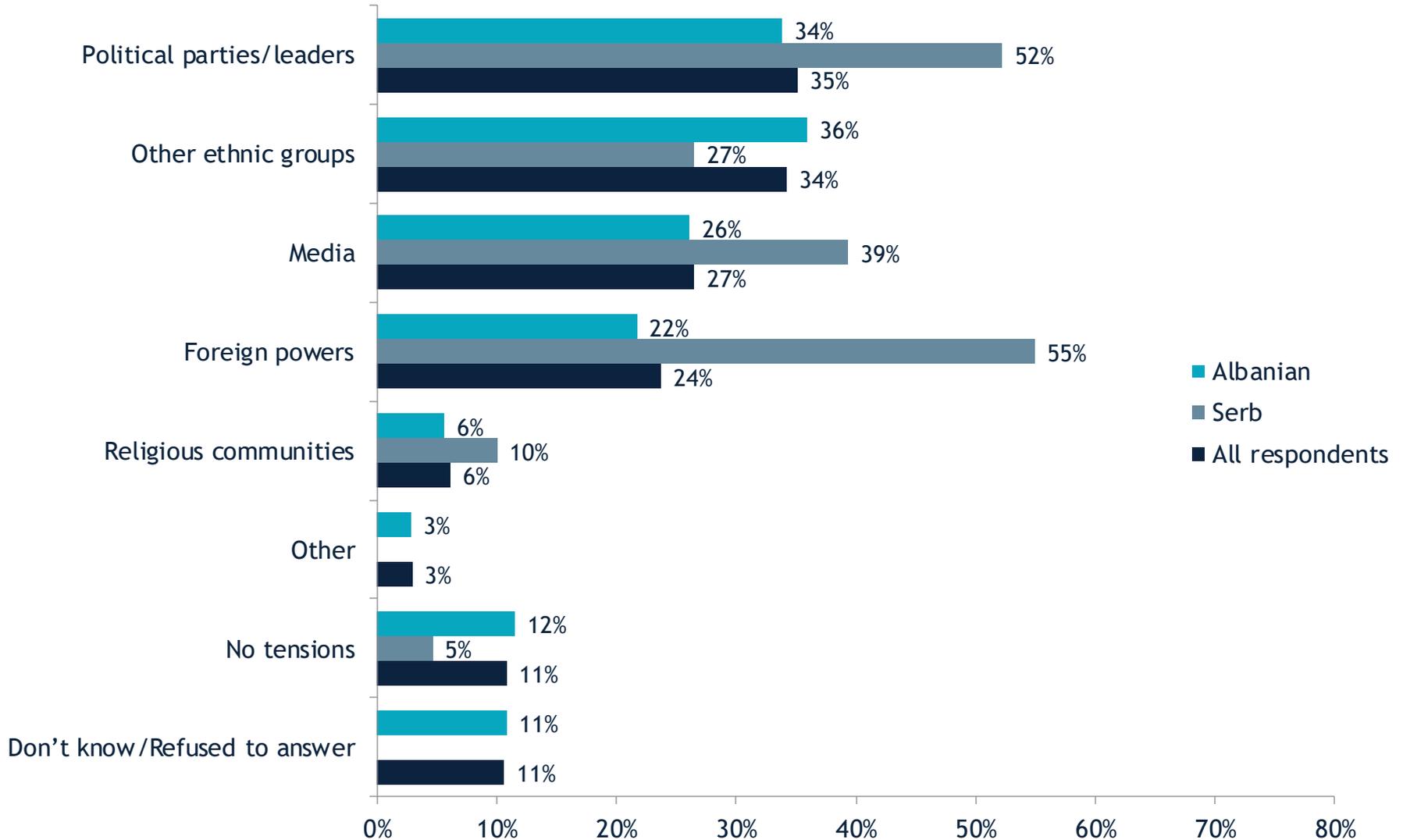
(All countries, spontaneous response; multiple responses permitted)



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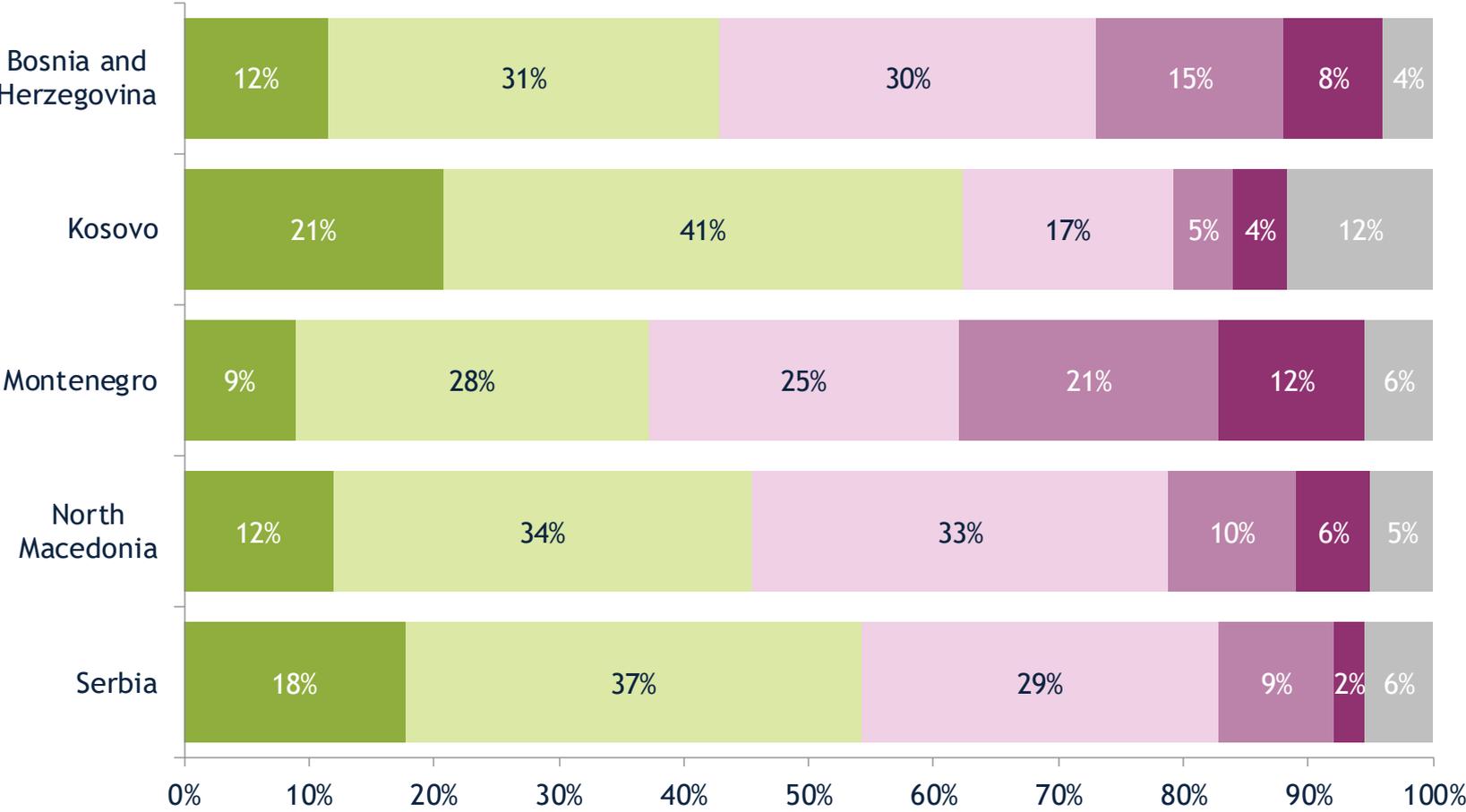
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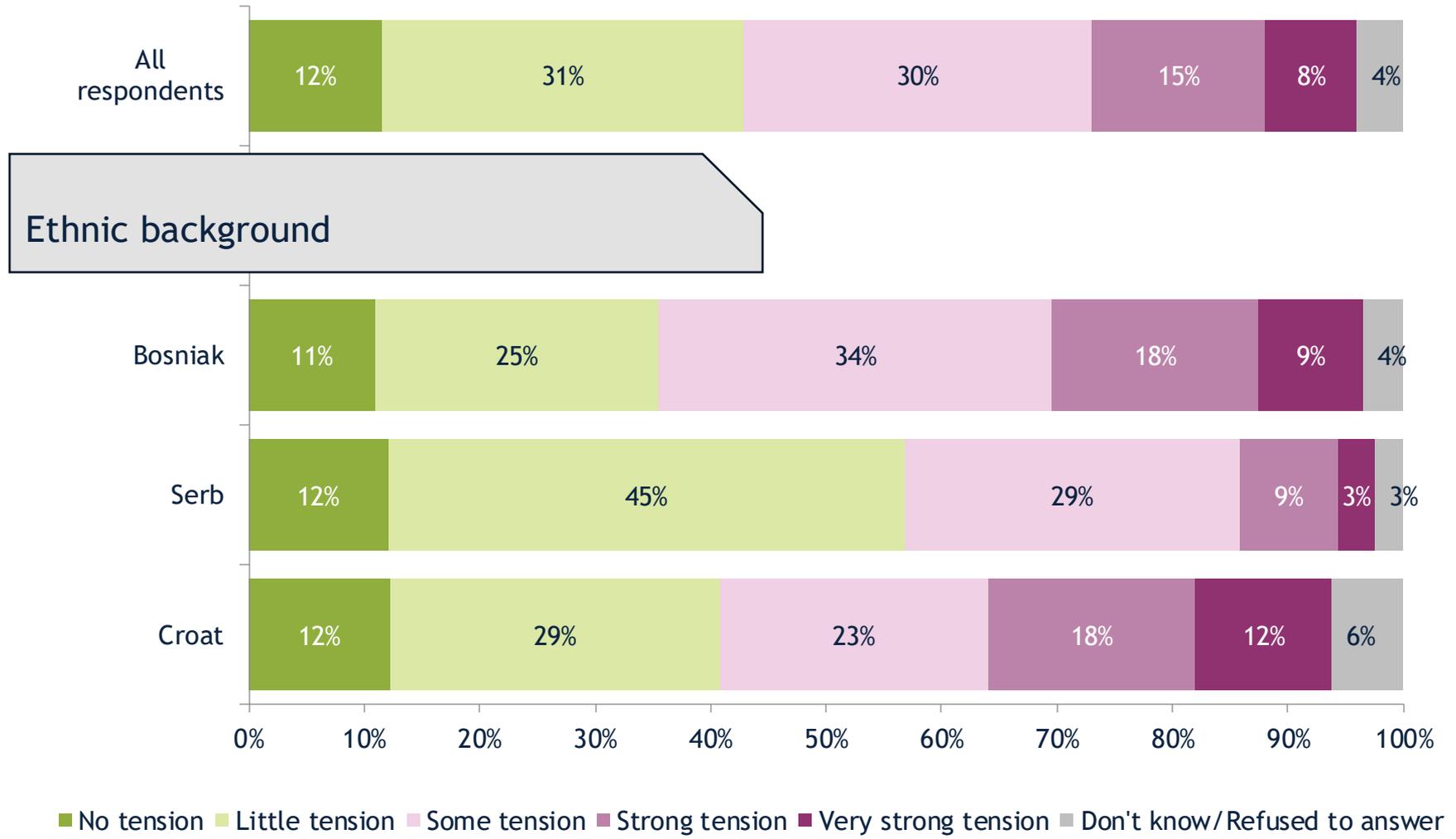
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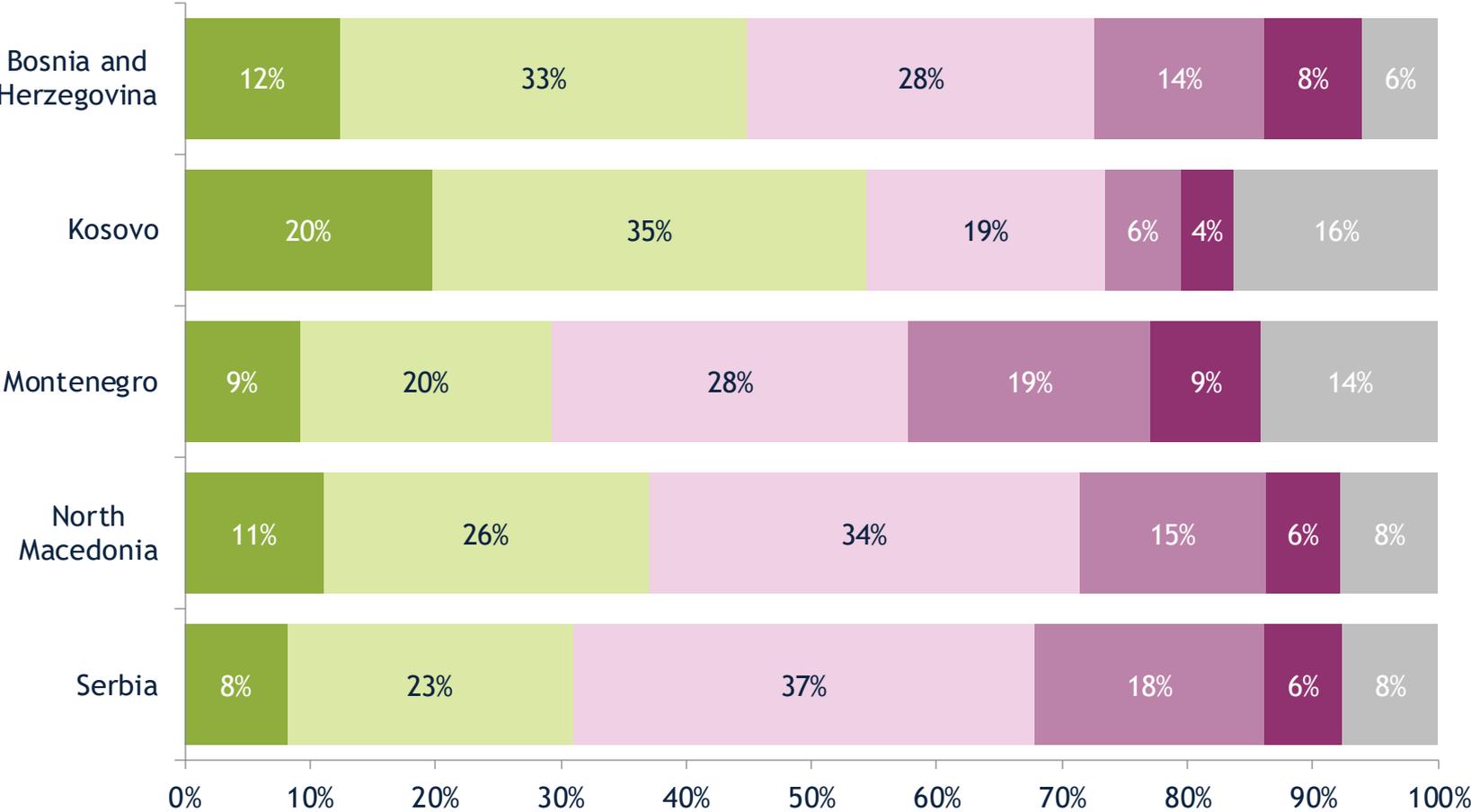
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(Bosnia and Herzegovina, by ethnic background)



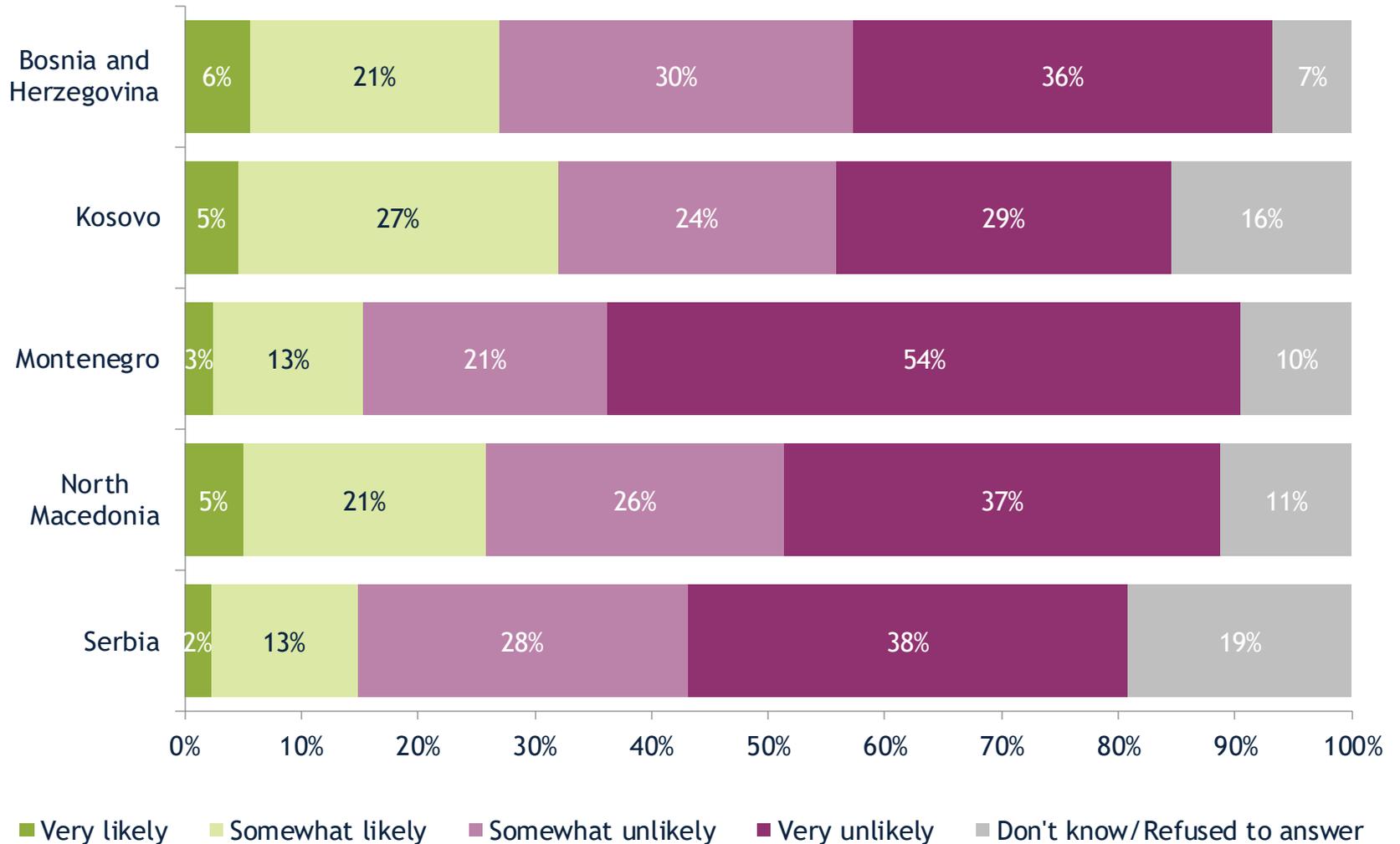


How would you rate the level of intensity of tension between different ethnic groups in the Western Balkans?



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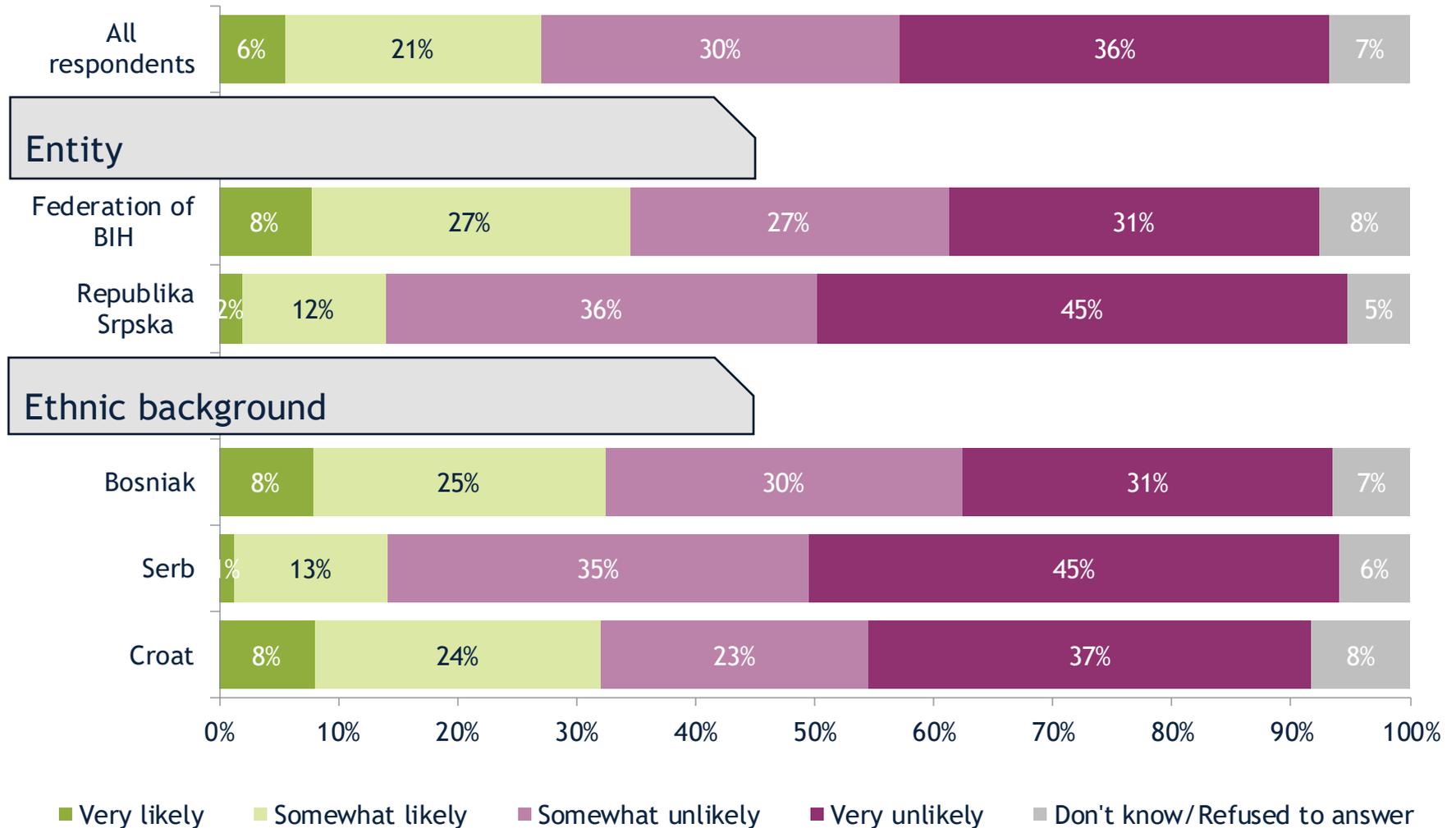
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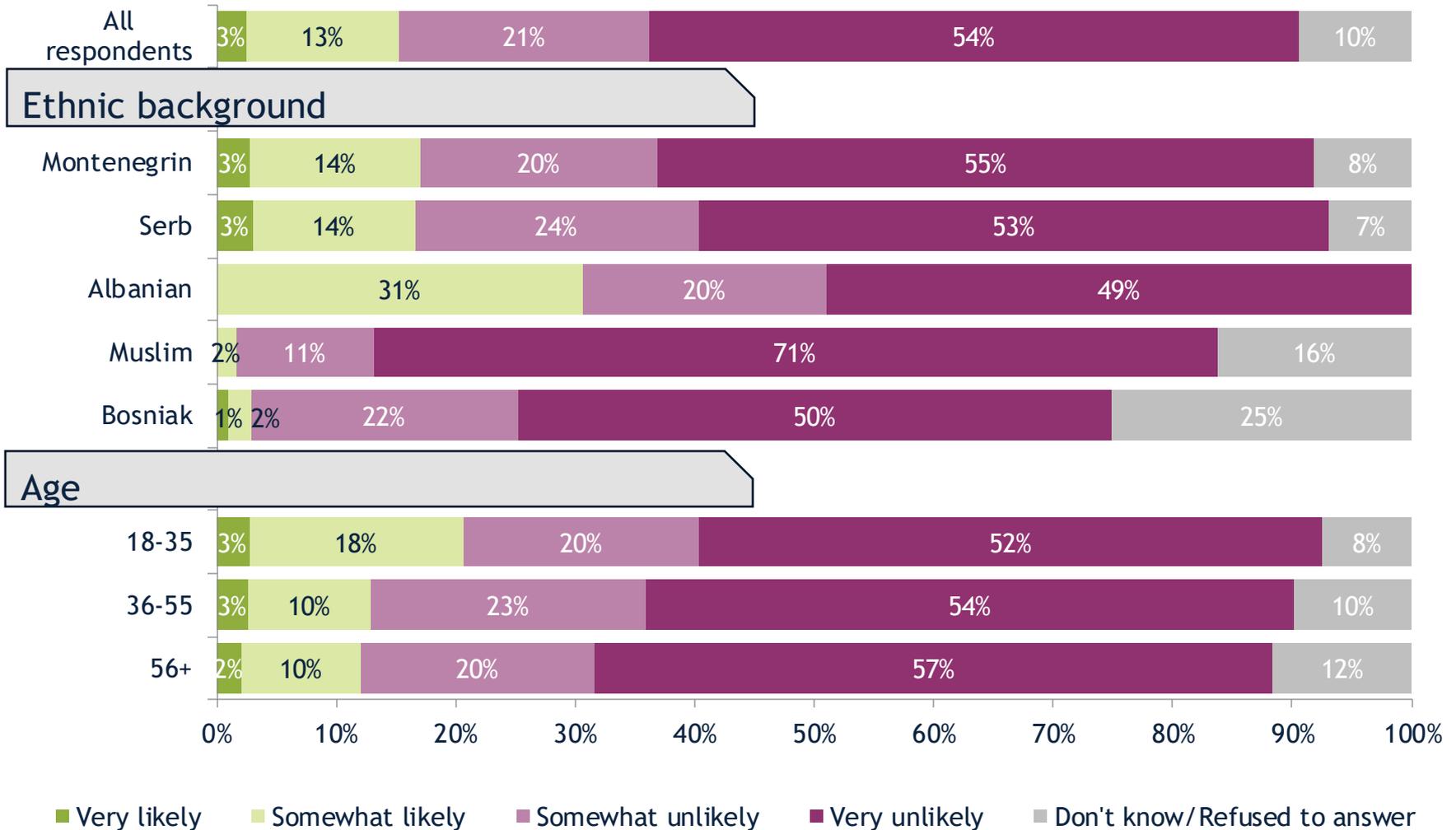
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(Bosnia and Herzegovina, by entity and ethnic background)



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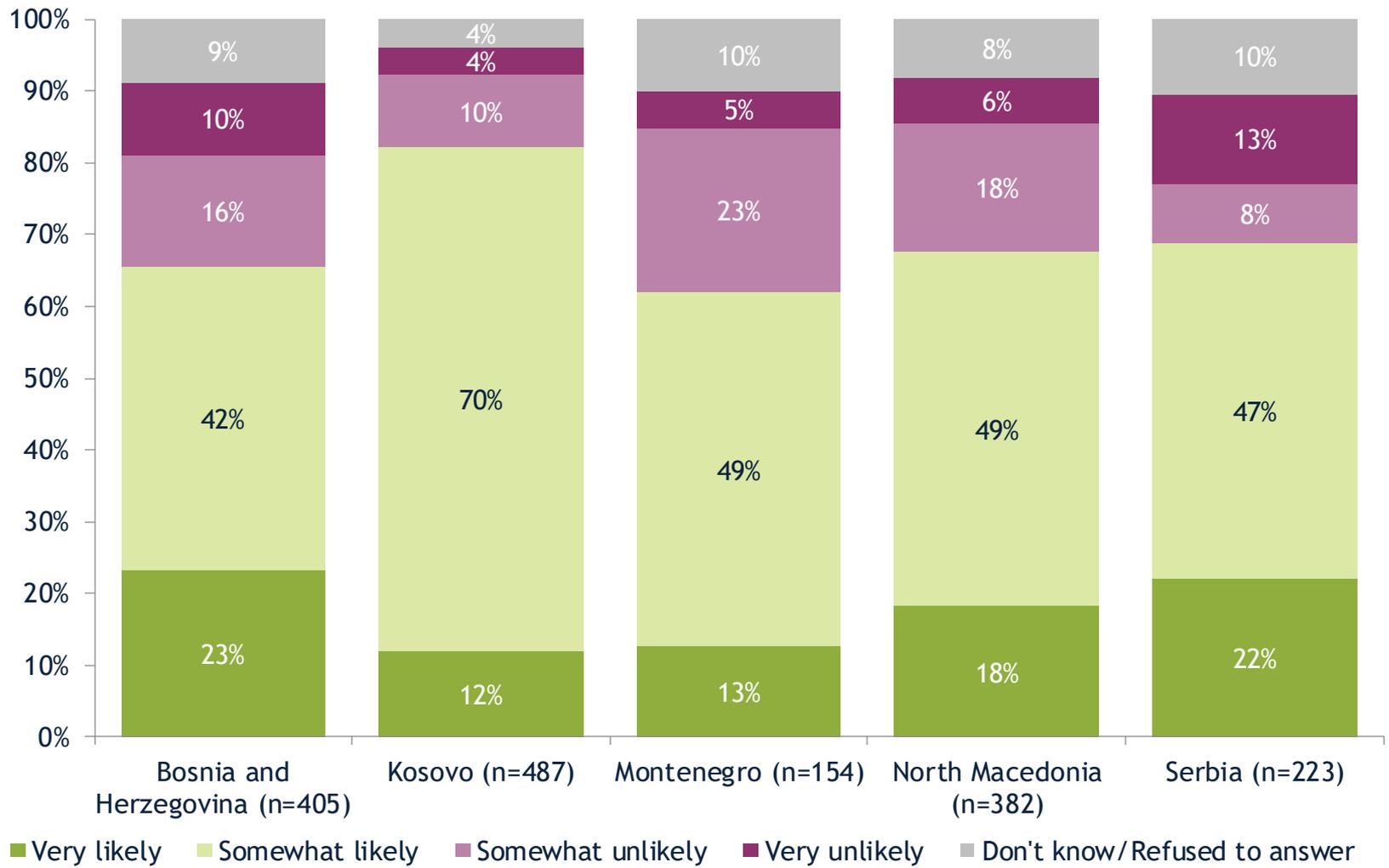
(Montenegro, by ethnic background and age)





What do you think is the likelihood of the international community's intervention in case of an armed conflict in the country?

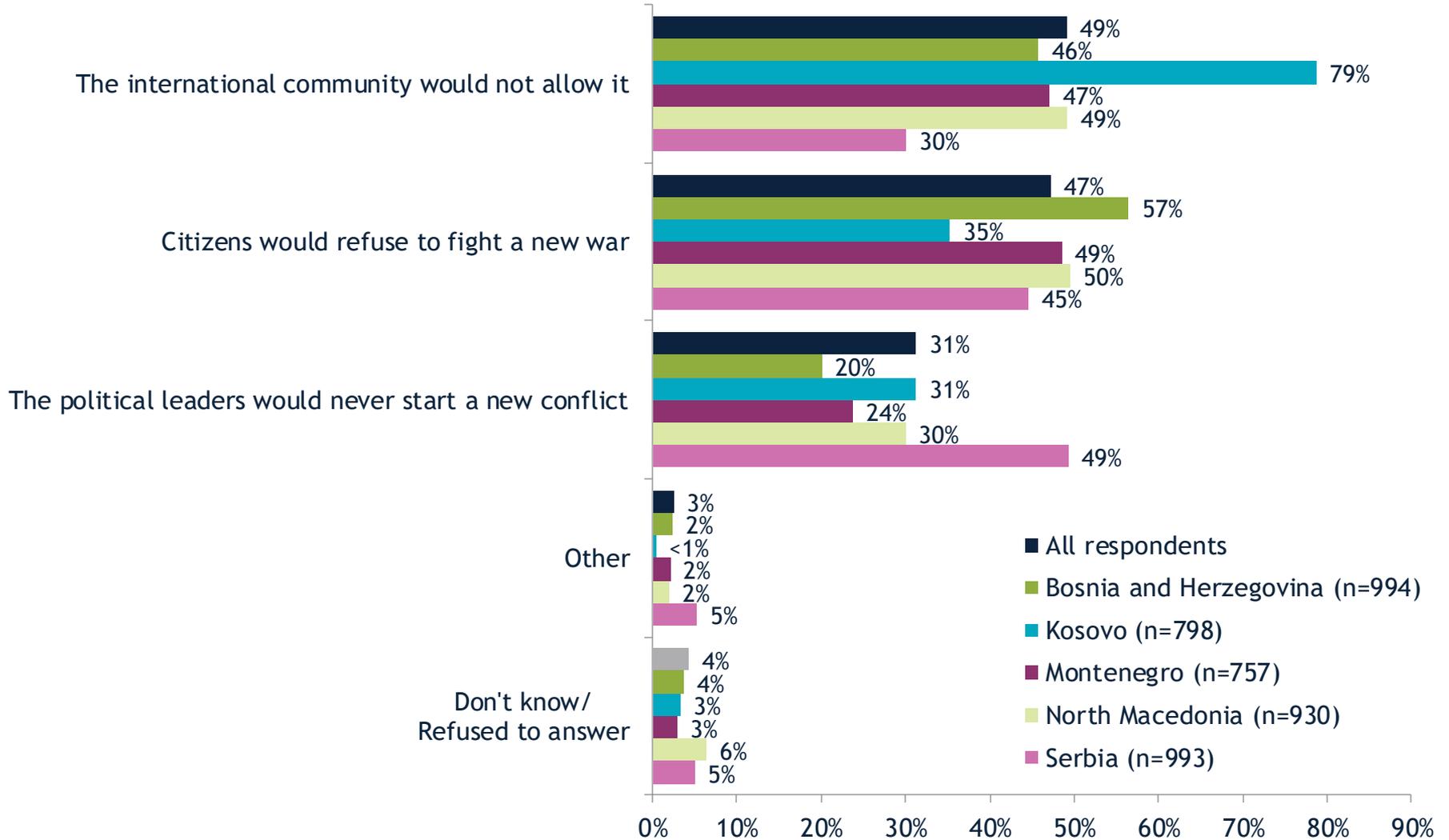
(Among those who think an armed conflict is likely to happen)





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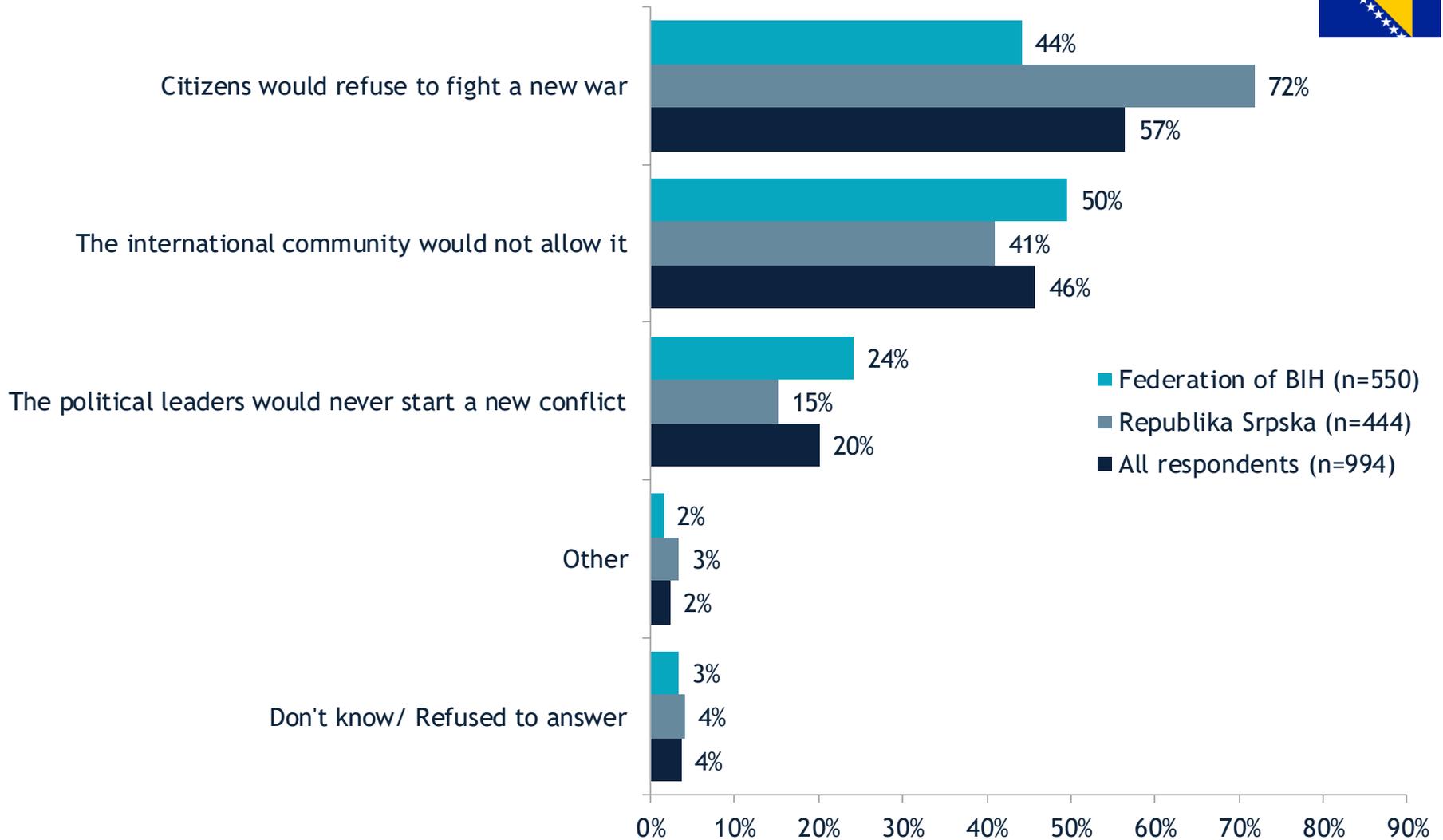
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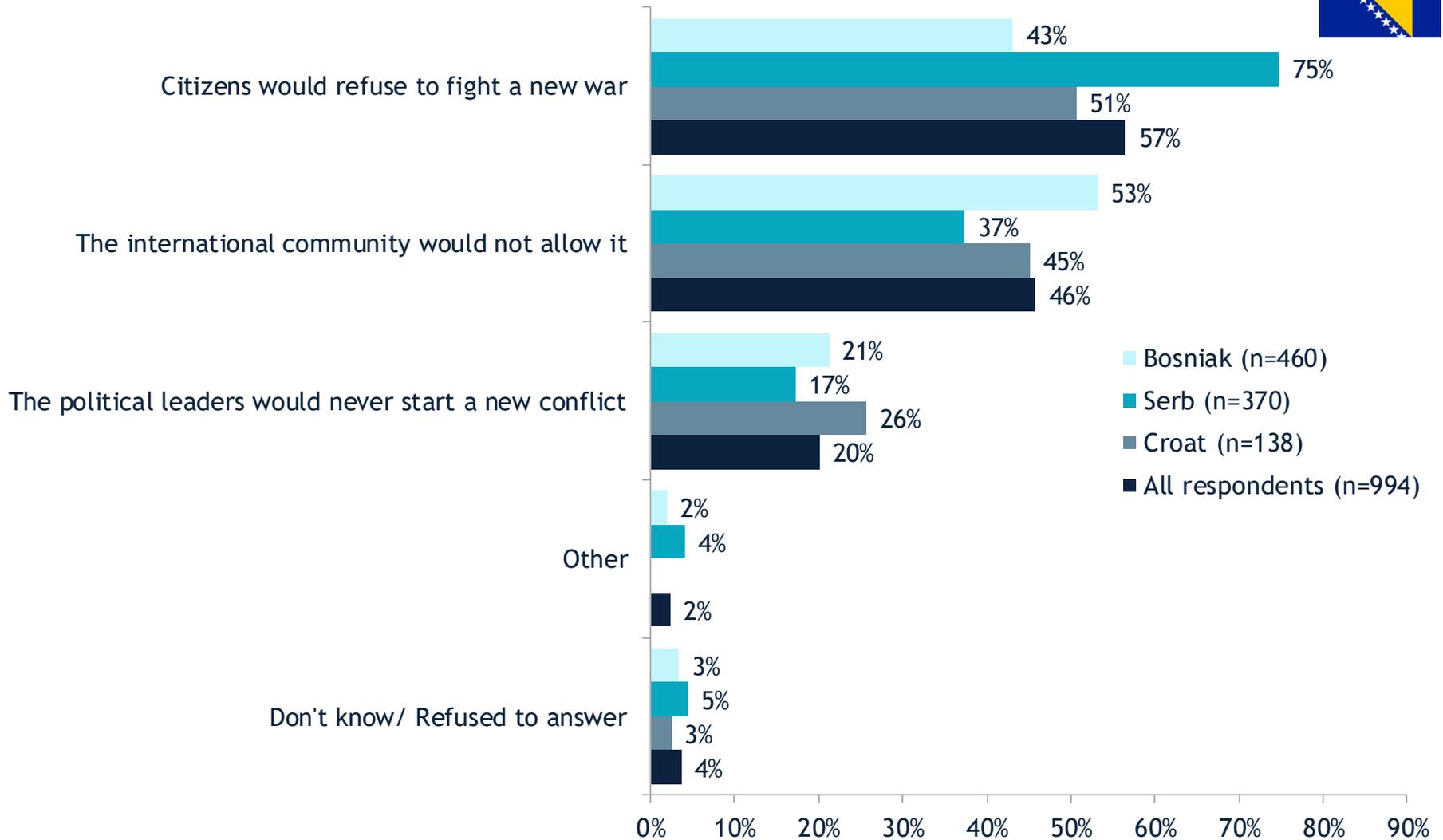
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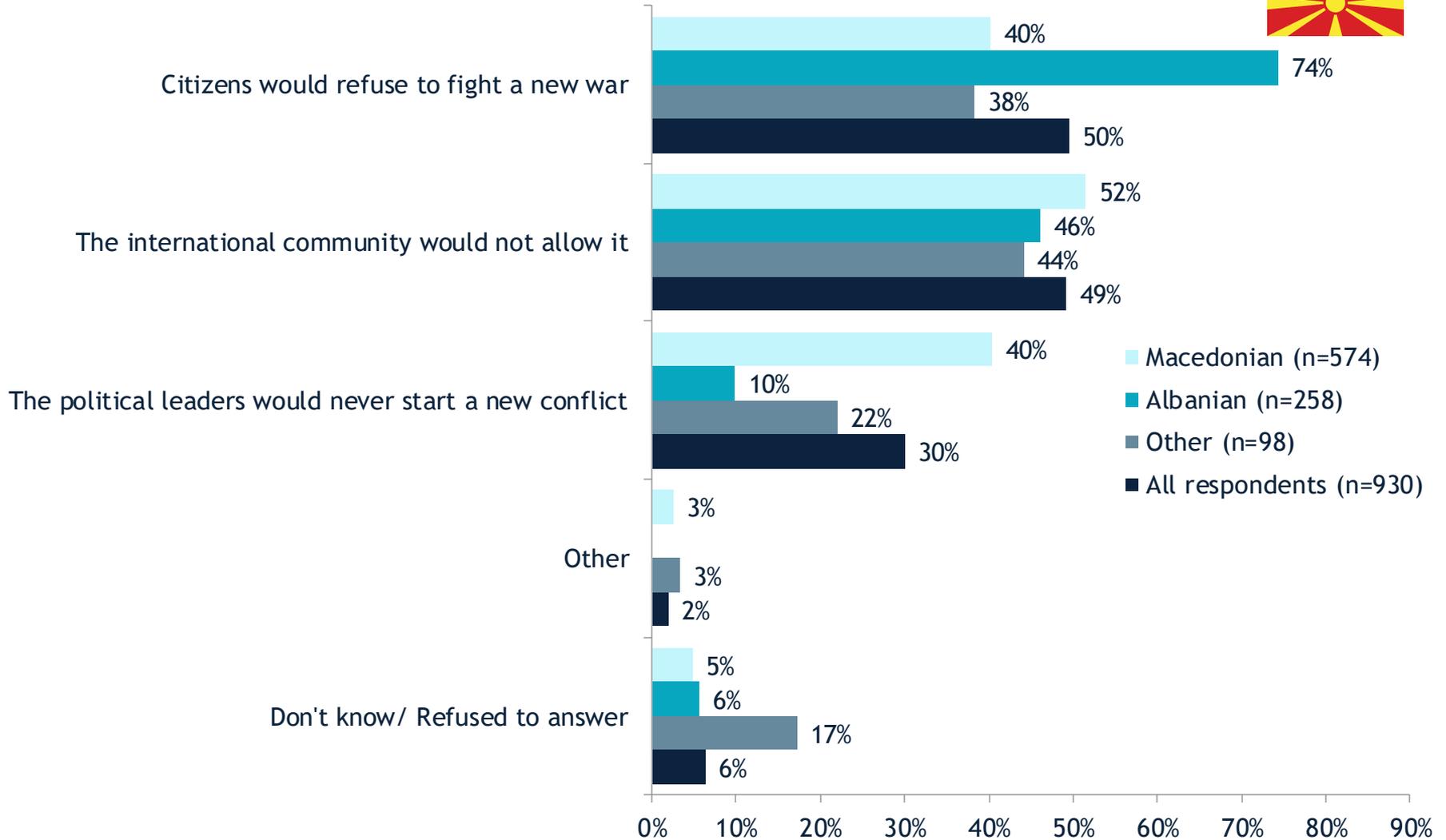


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NATO Integration

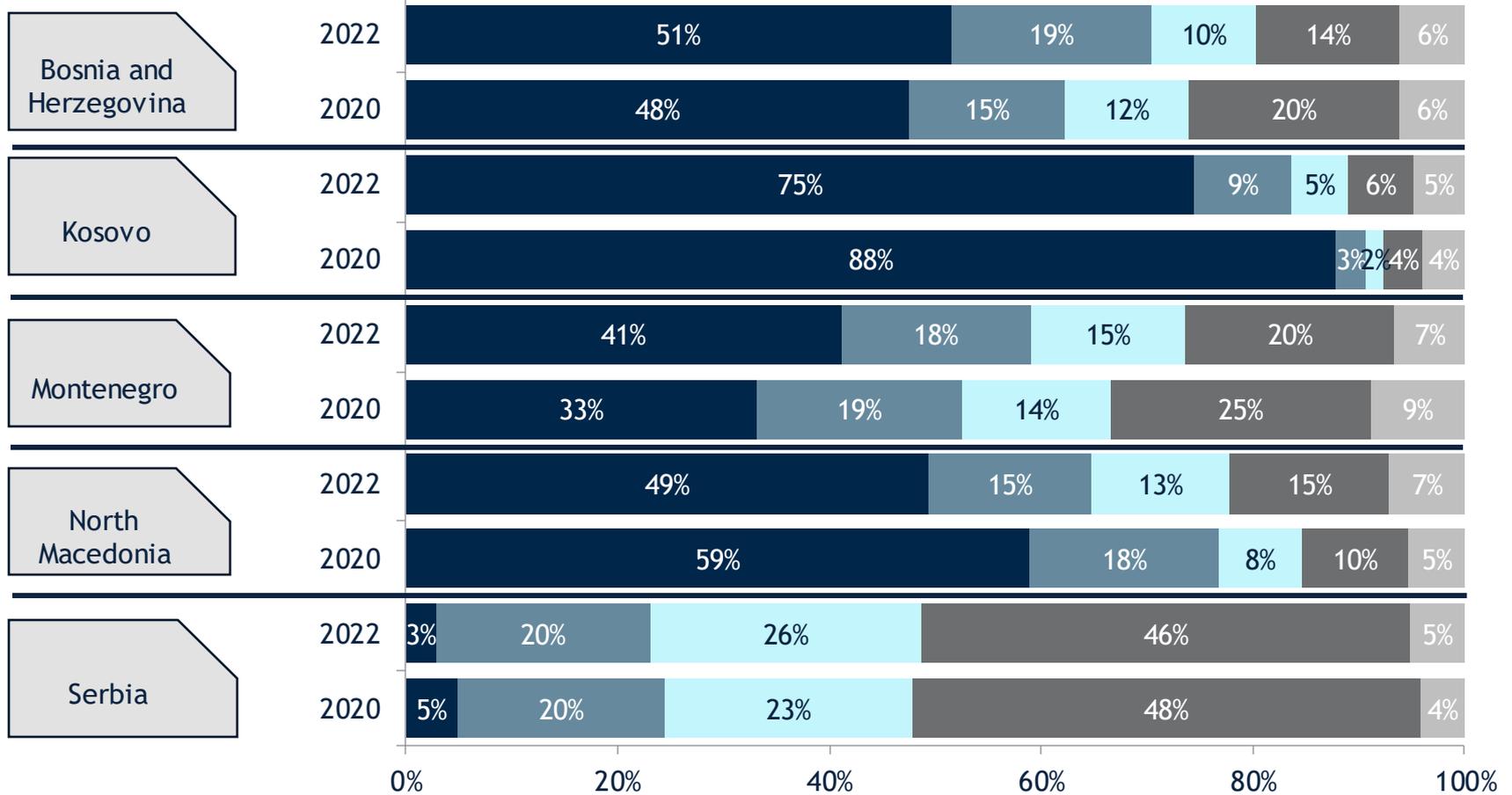


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In your opinion, our country's future is best served by having what kind of relationship with NATO?

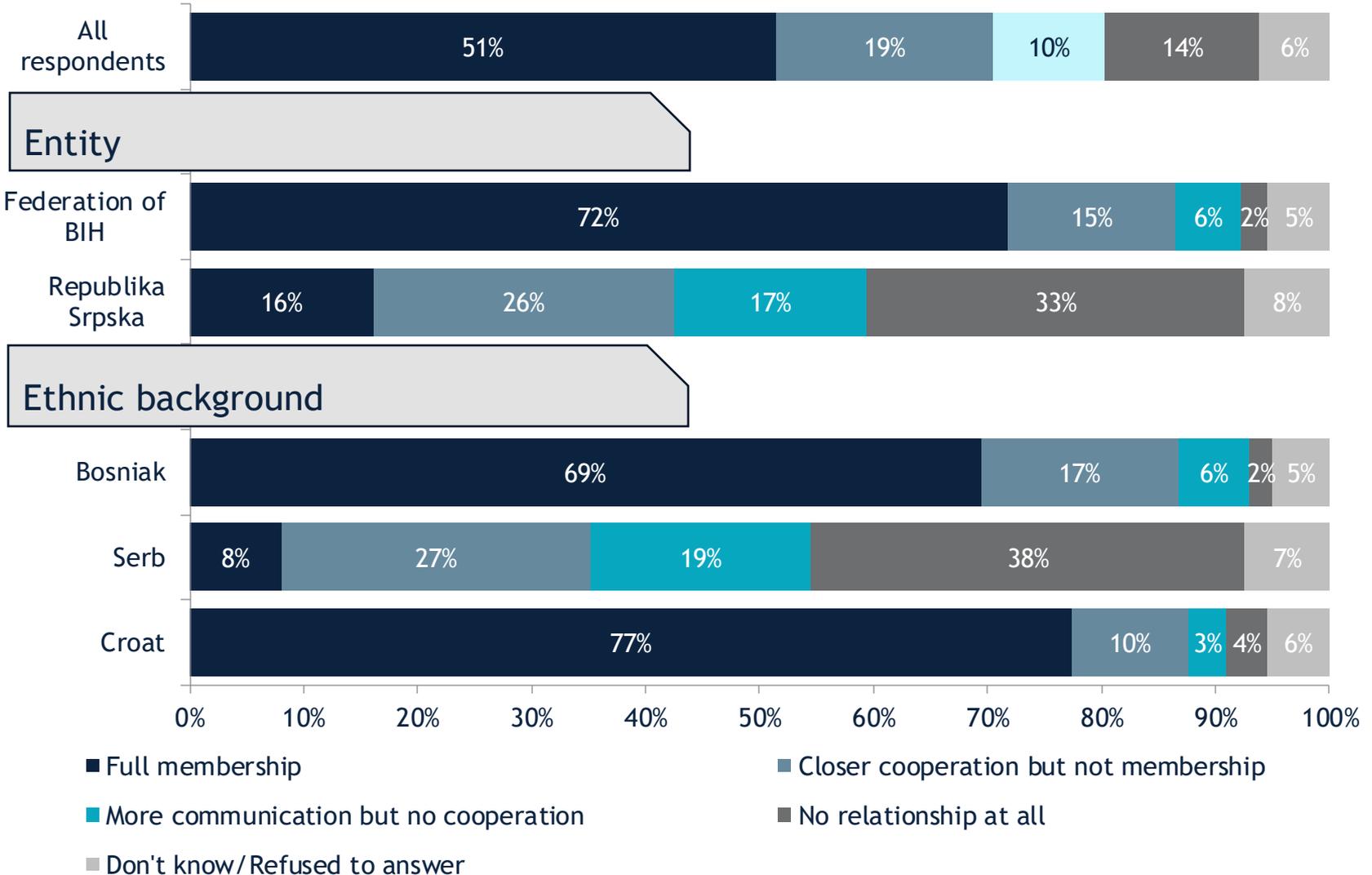
(2022 vs 2020)



- Full membership
- Closer cooperation but not membership
- More communication but no cooperation
- No relationship at all
- Don't know/Refused to answer

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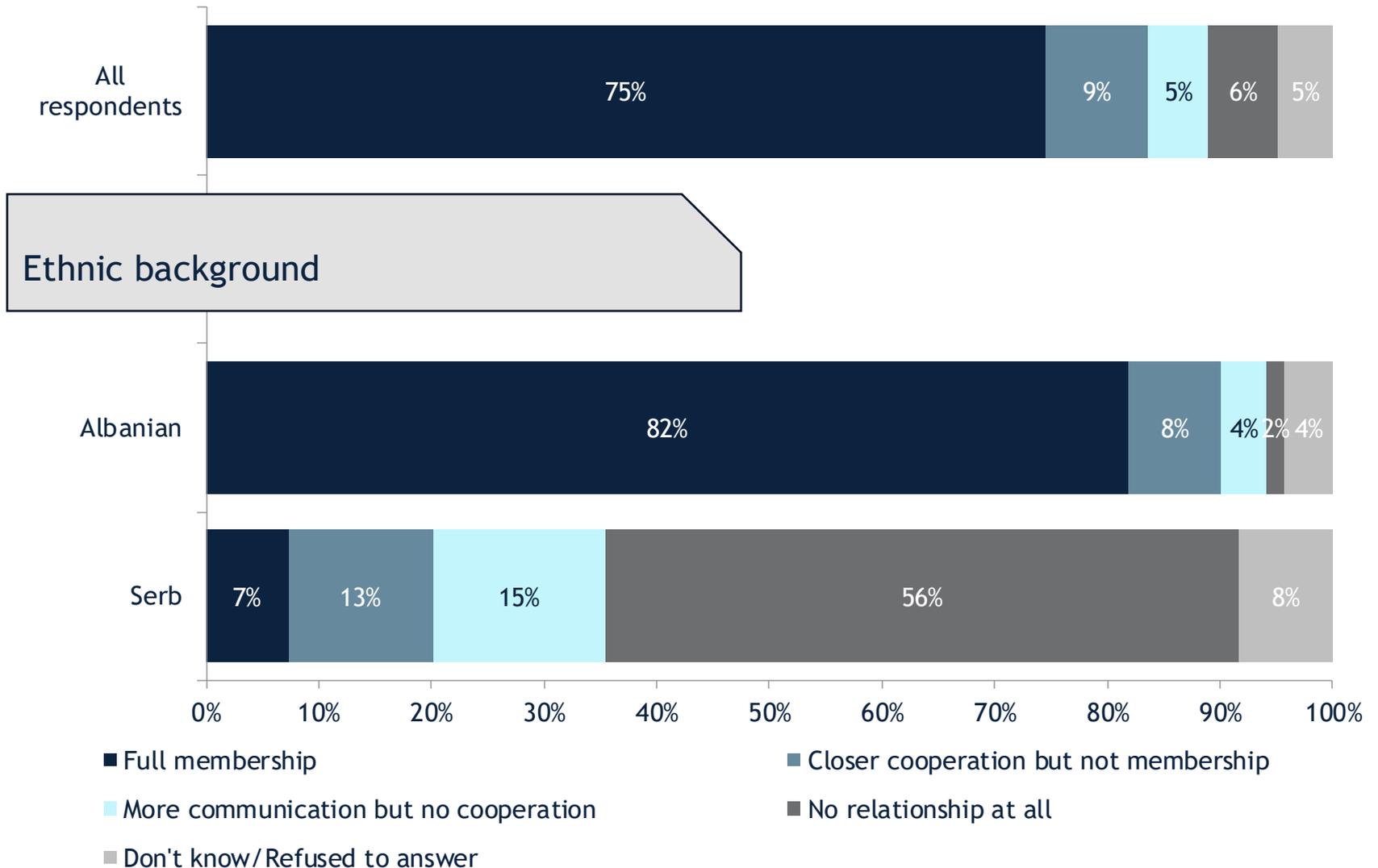
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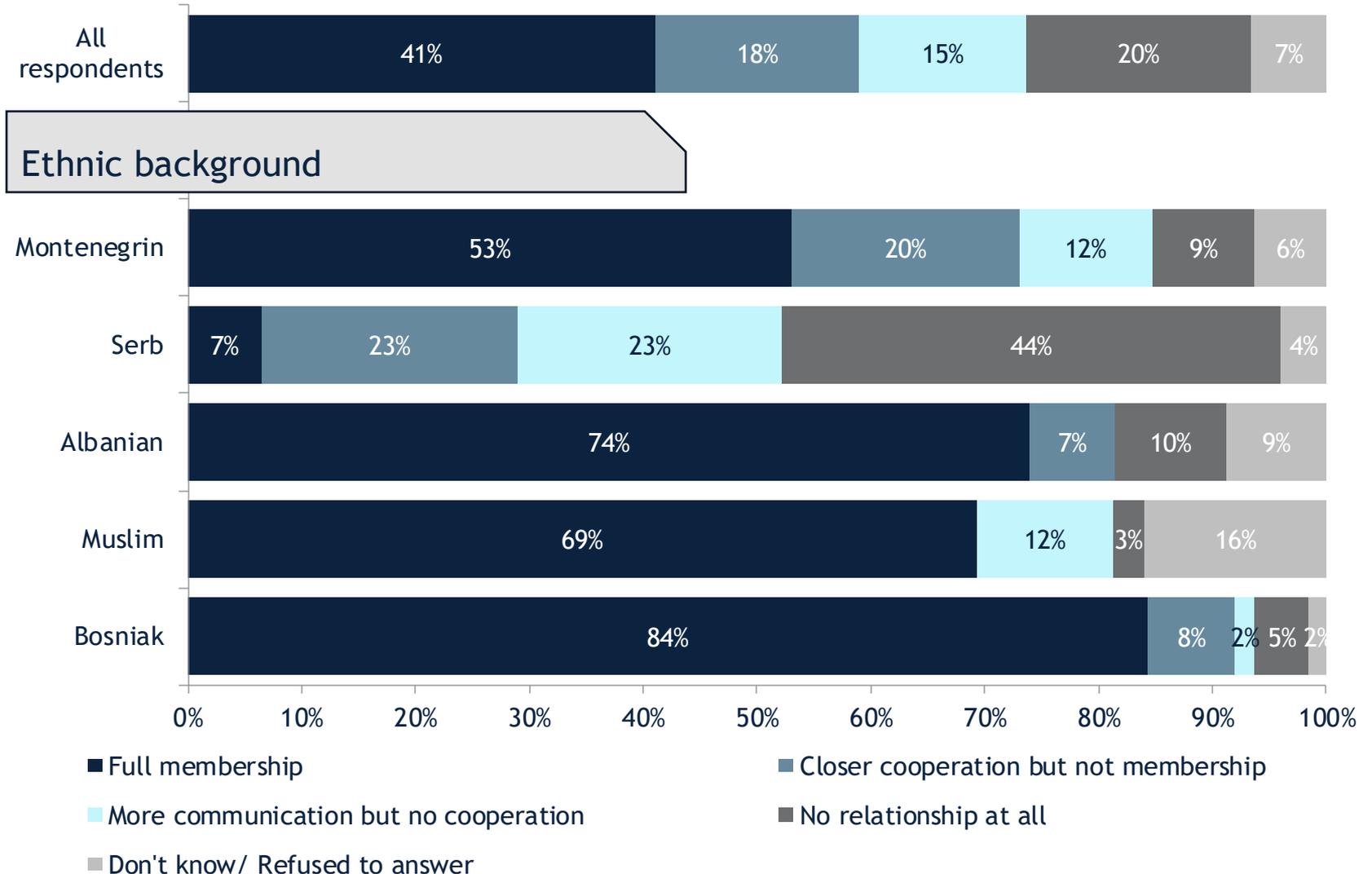
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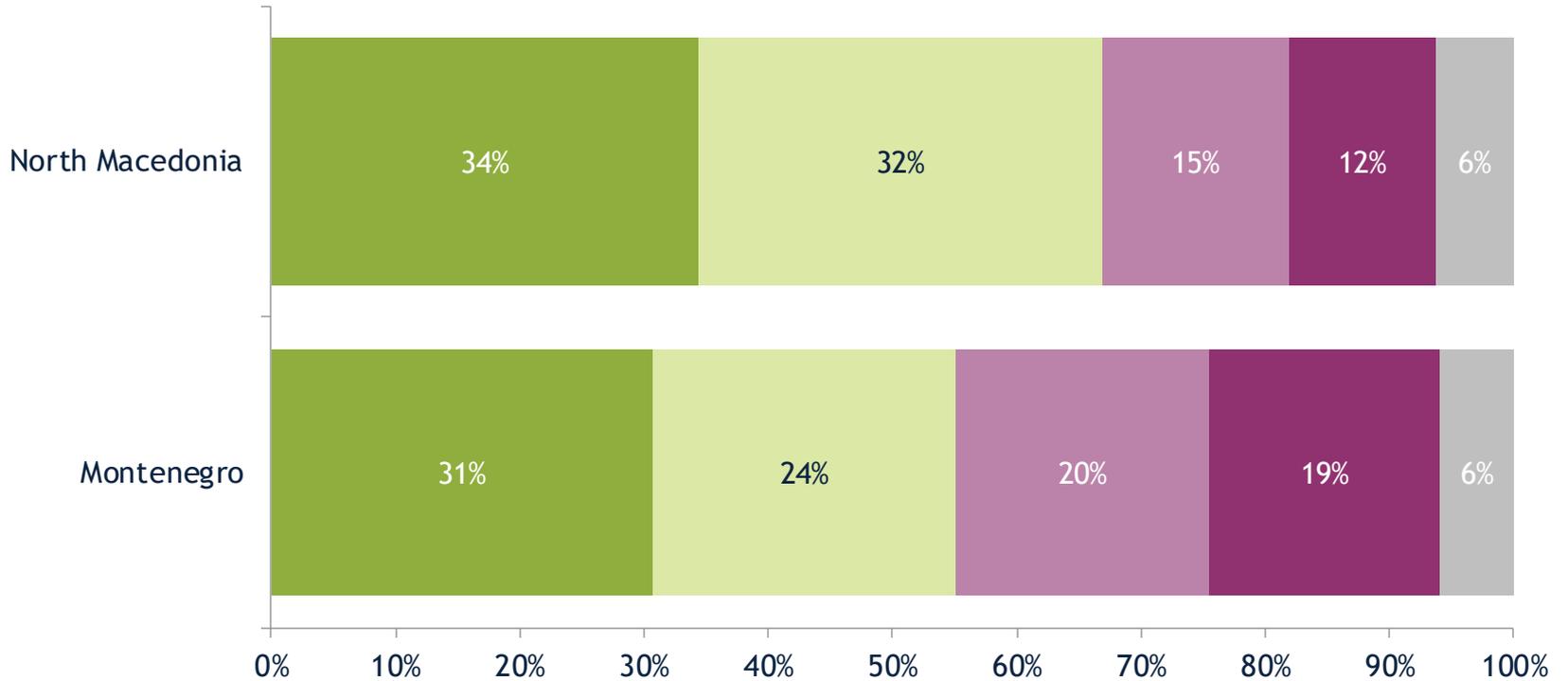
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Has NATO membership been positive or negative for our country?

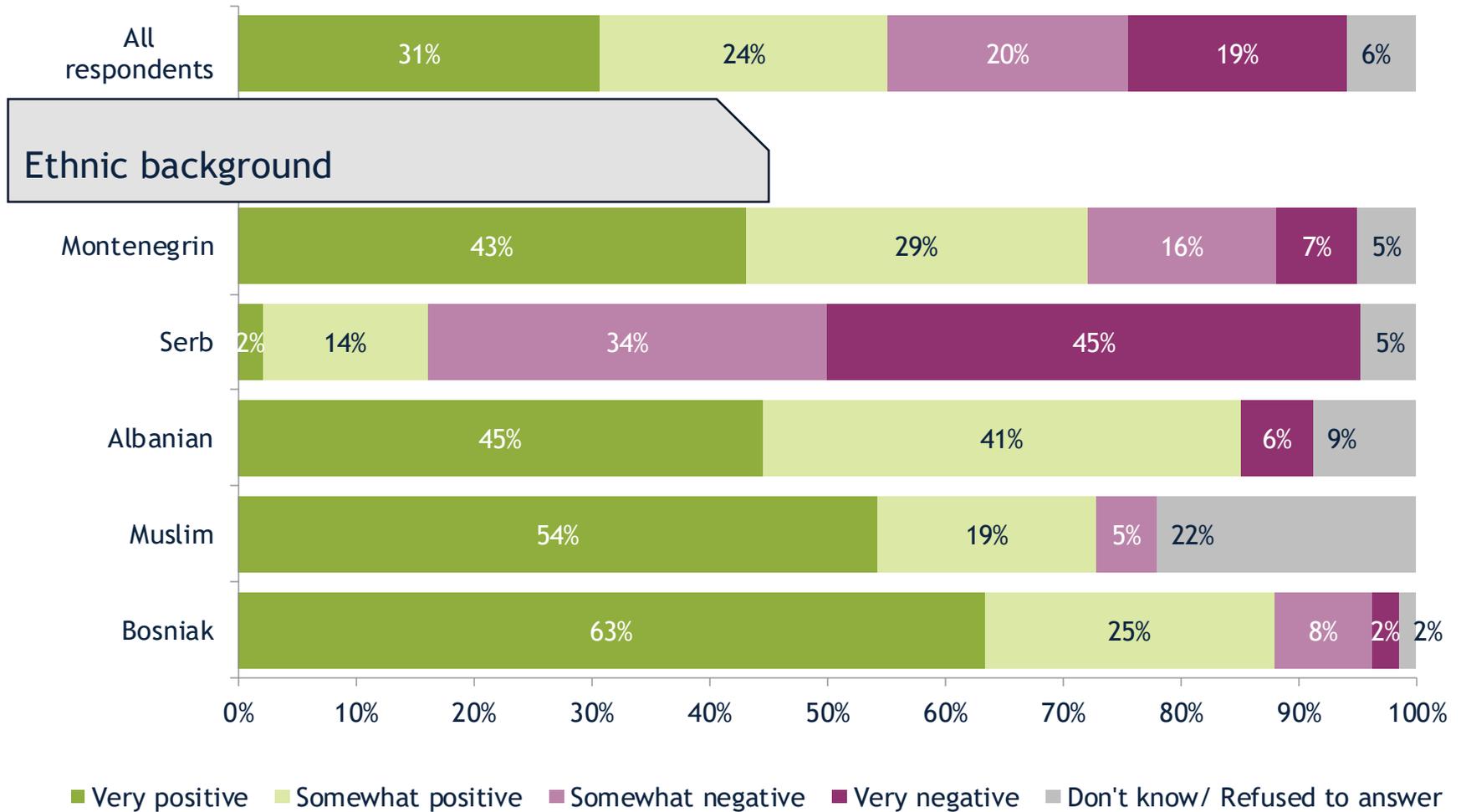
(North Macedonia and Montenegro)



■ Very positive ■ Somewhat positive ■ Somewhat negative ■ Very negative ■ Don't know/Refused to answer

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(Montenegro, by ethnic background)





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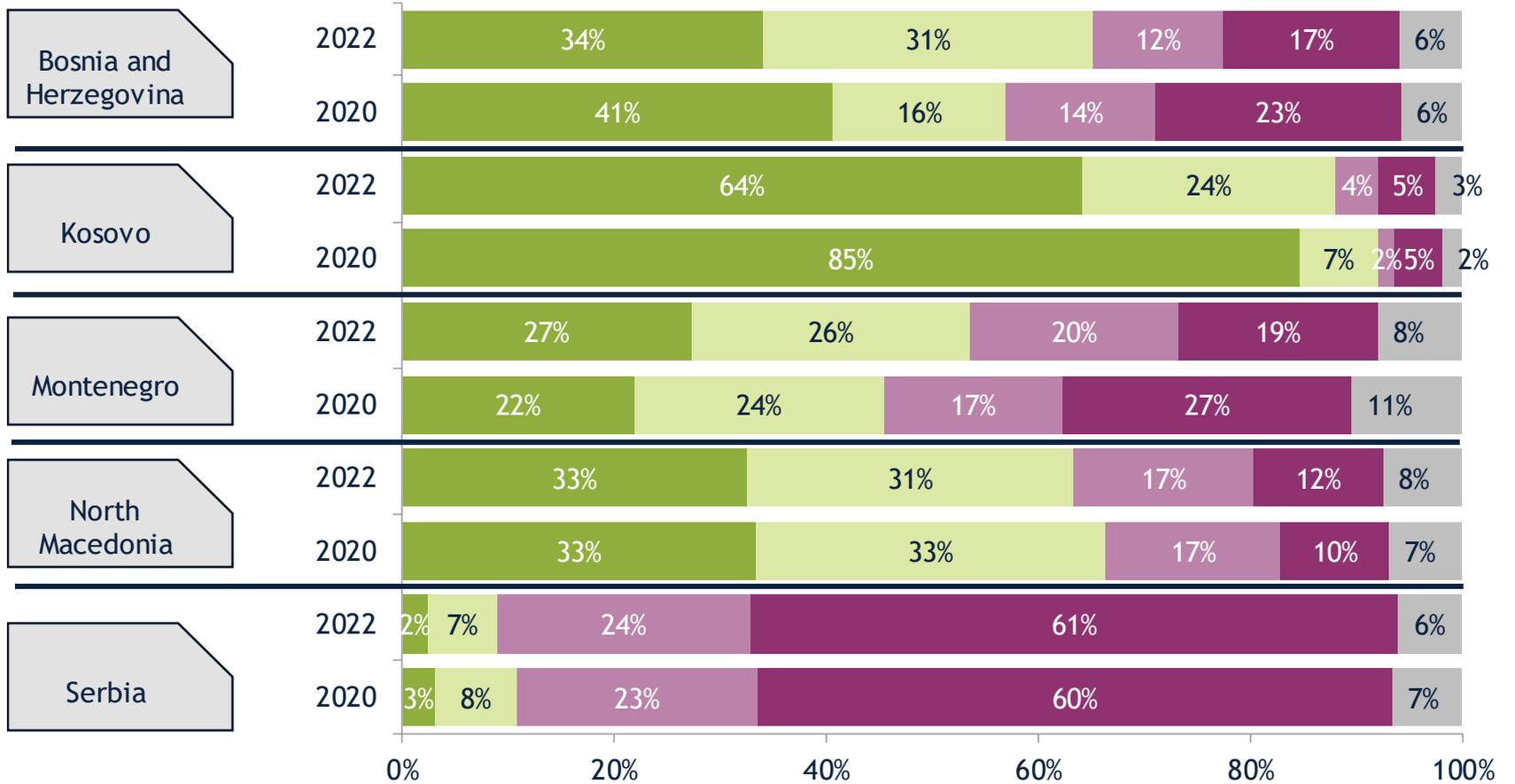
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How do you view the role of NATO in the world?

(2022 vs 2020)



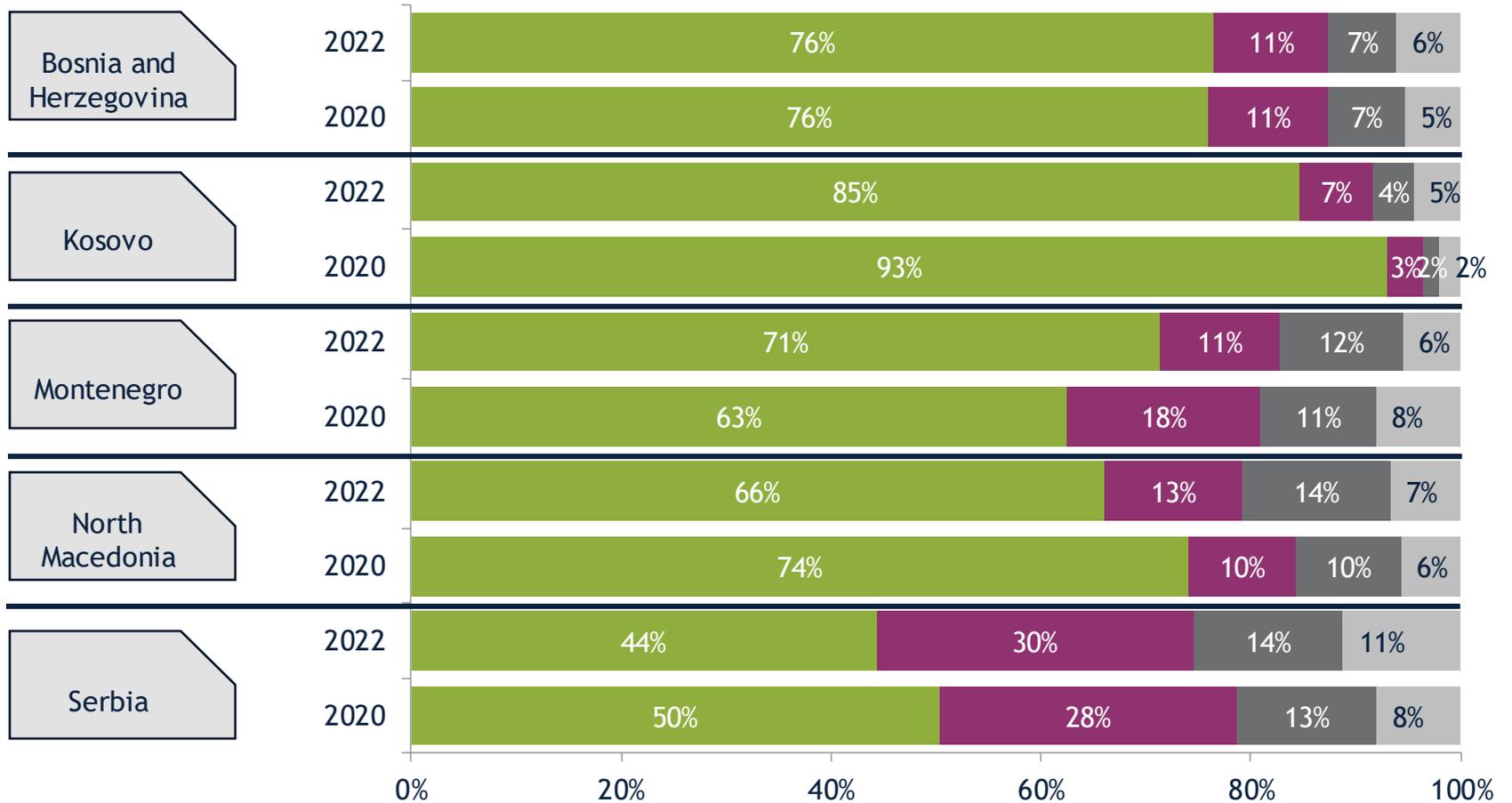
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EU Integration



If a referendum were held today on our country joining the European Union, how would you vote?

(2022 vs 2020)

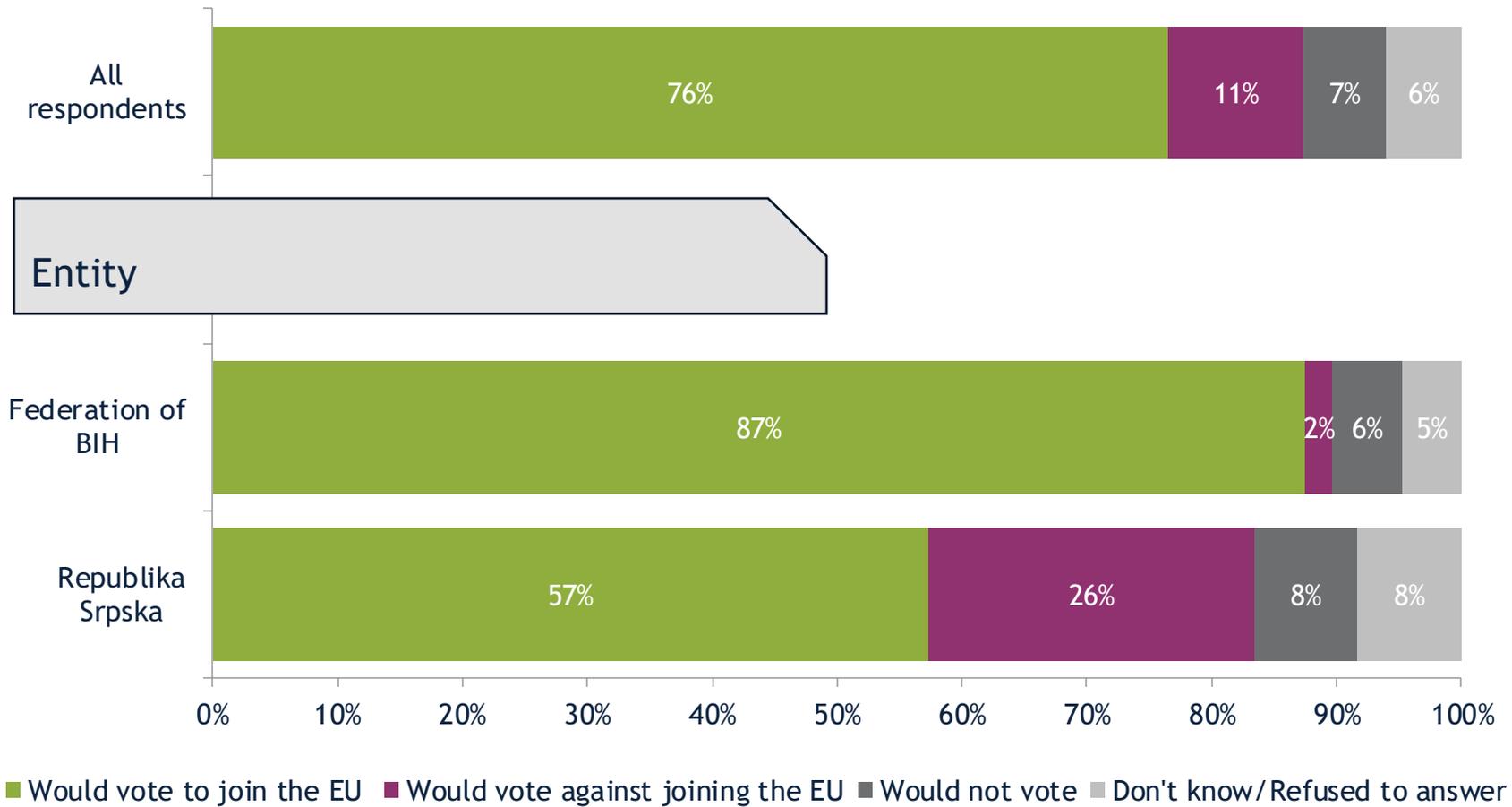


■ Would vote to join the EU
 ■ Would vote against joining the EU
 ■ Would not vote
 ■ Don't know/Refused to answer



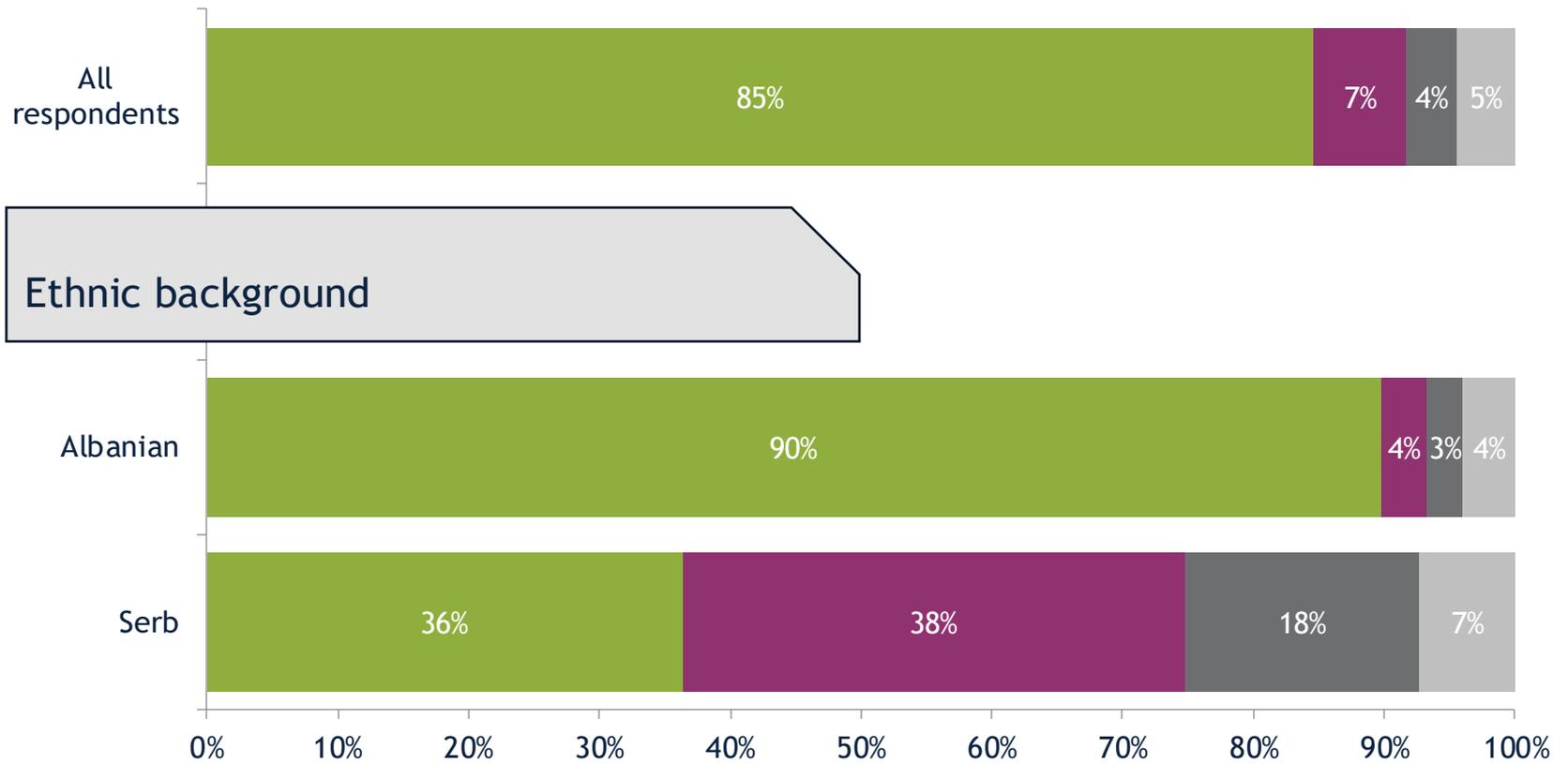
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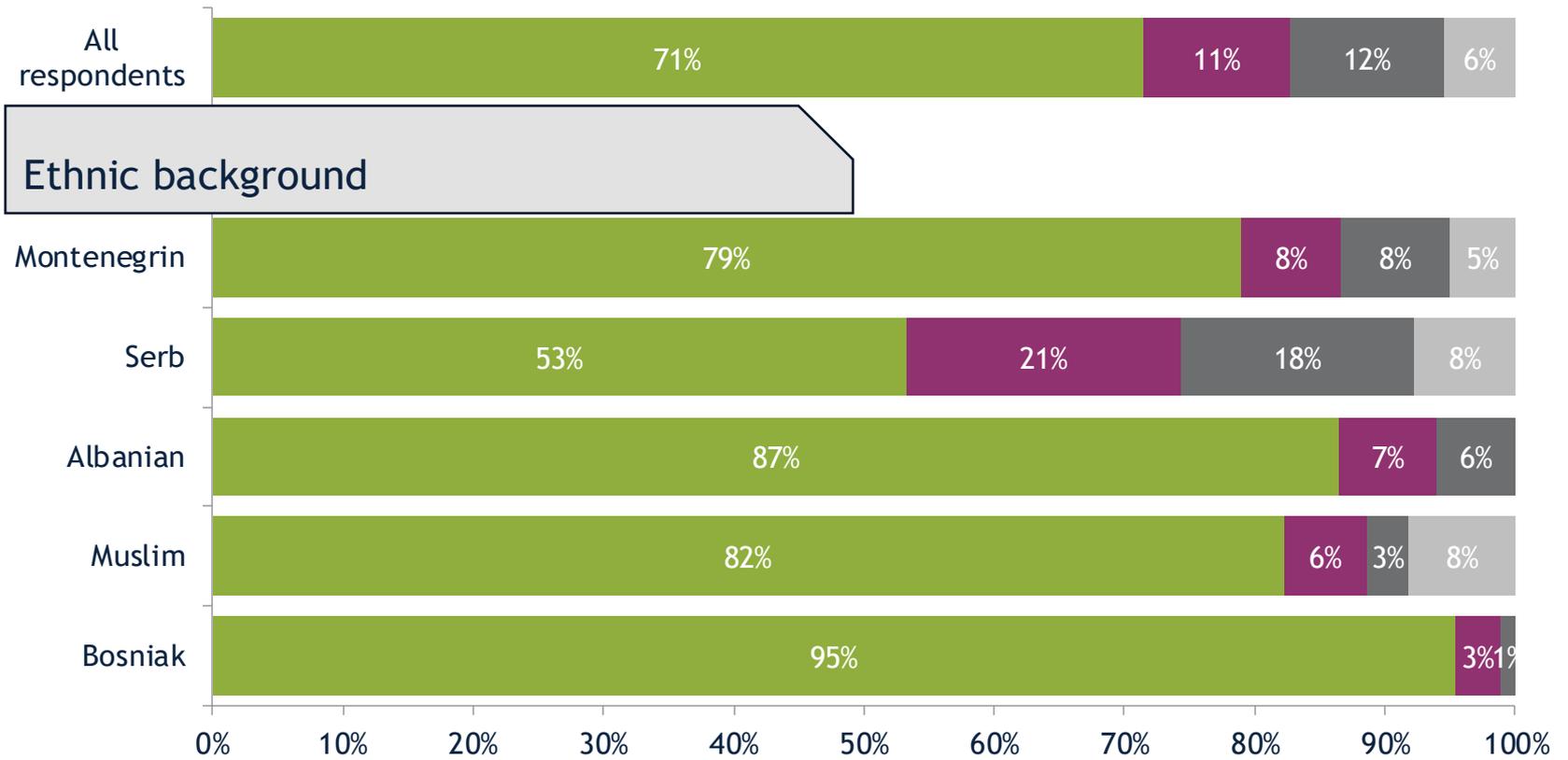
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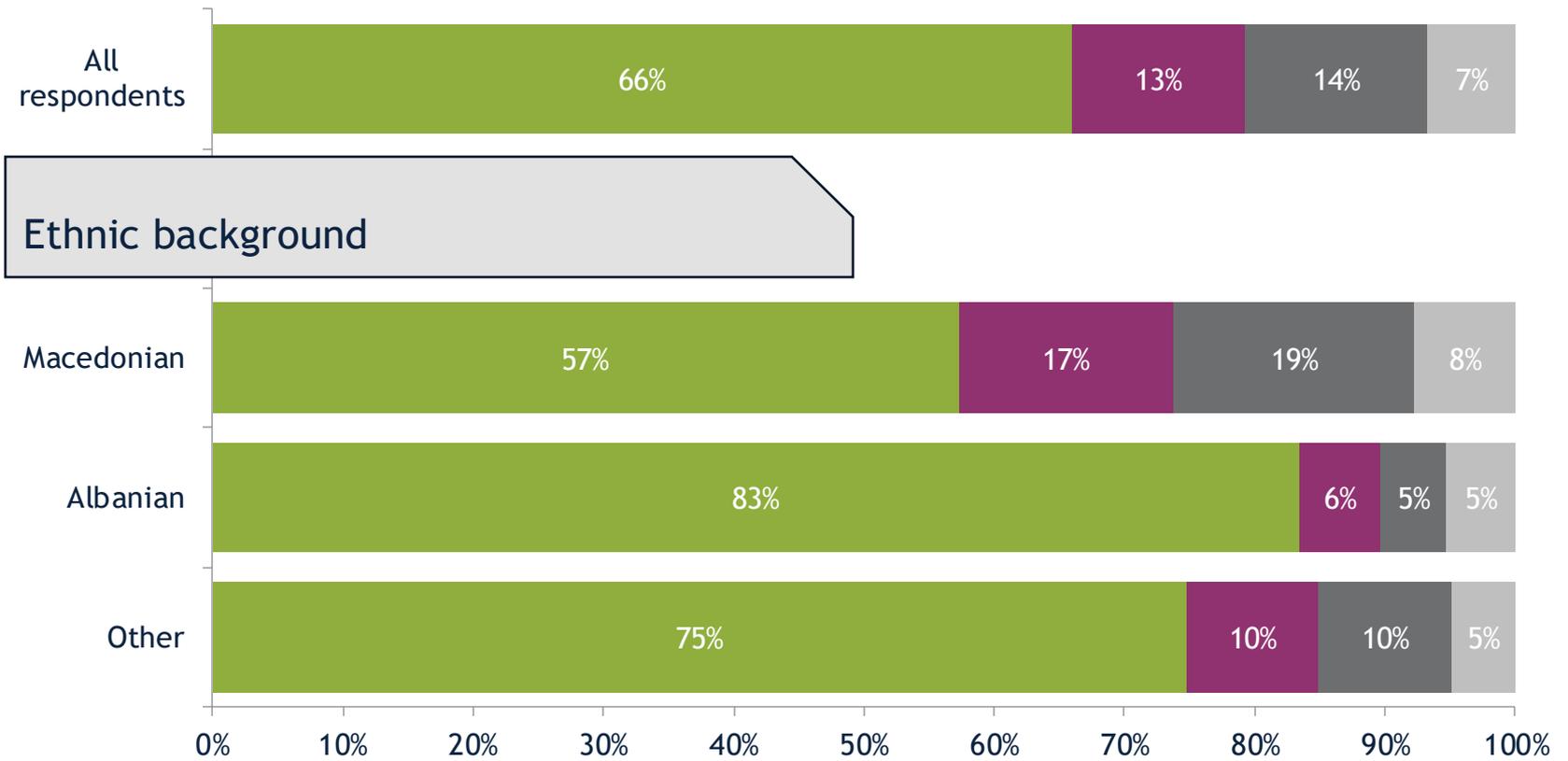
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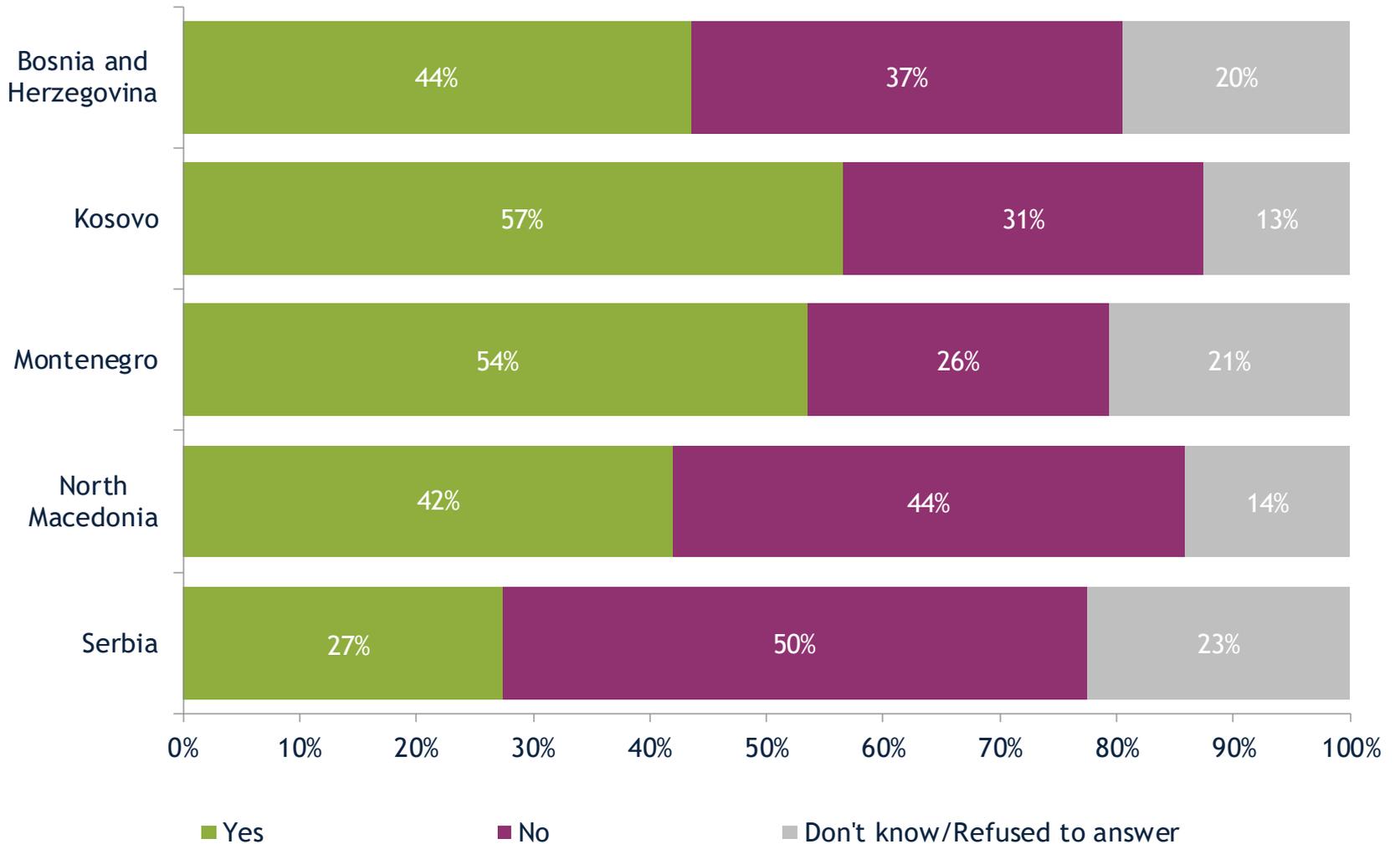
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(North Macedonia, by ethnic background)



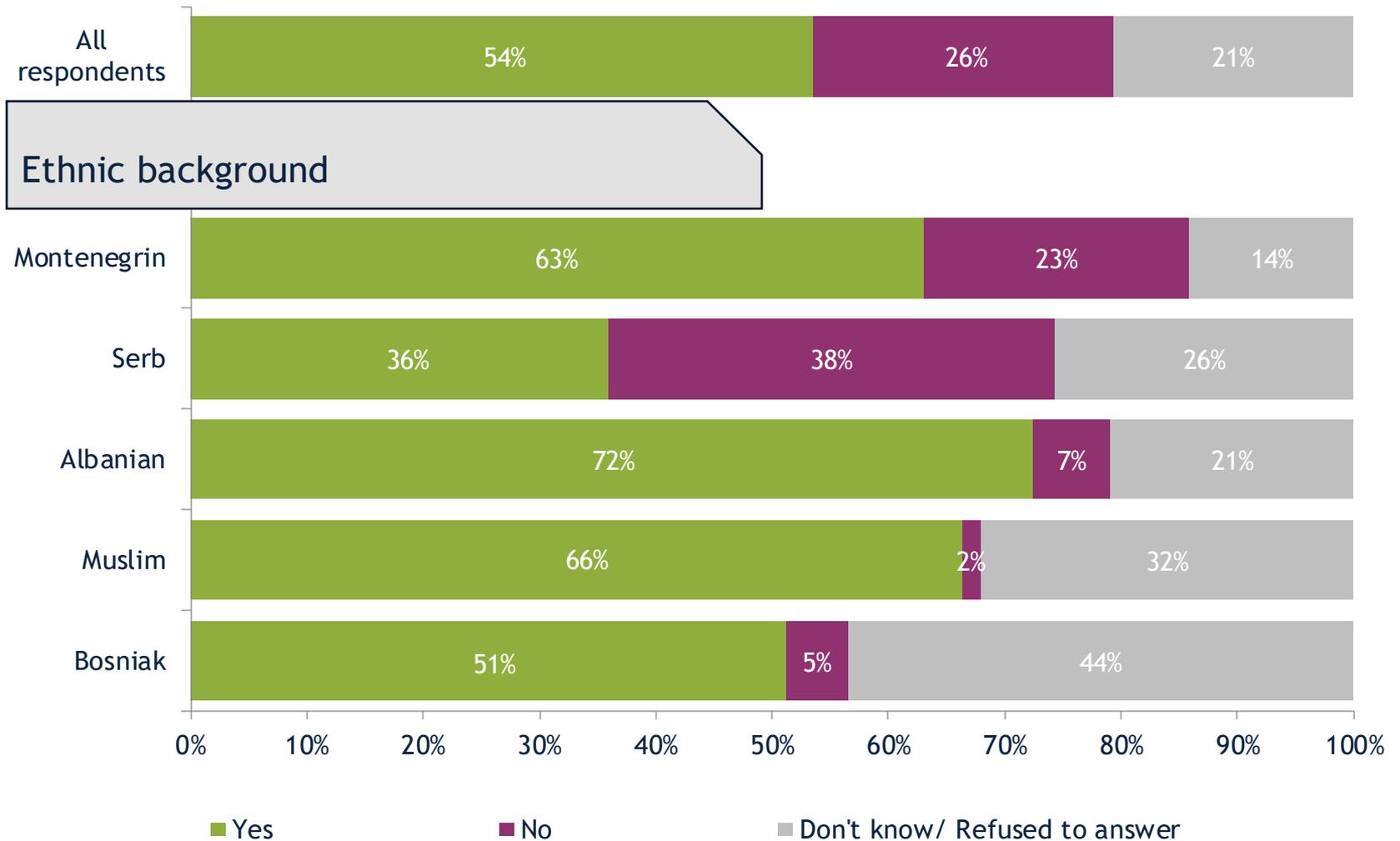
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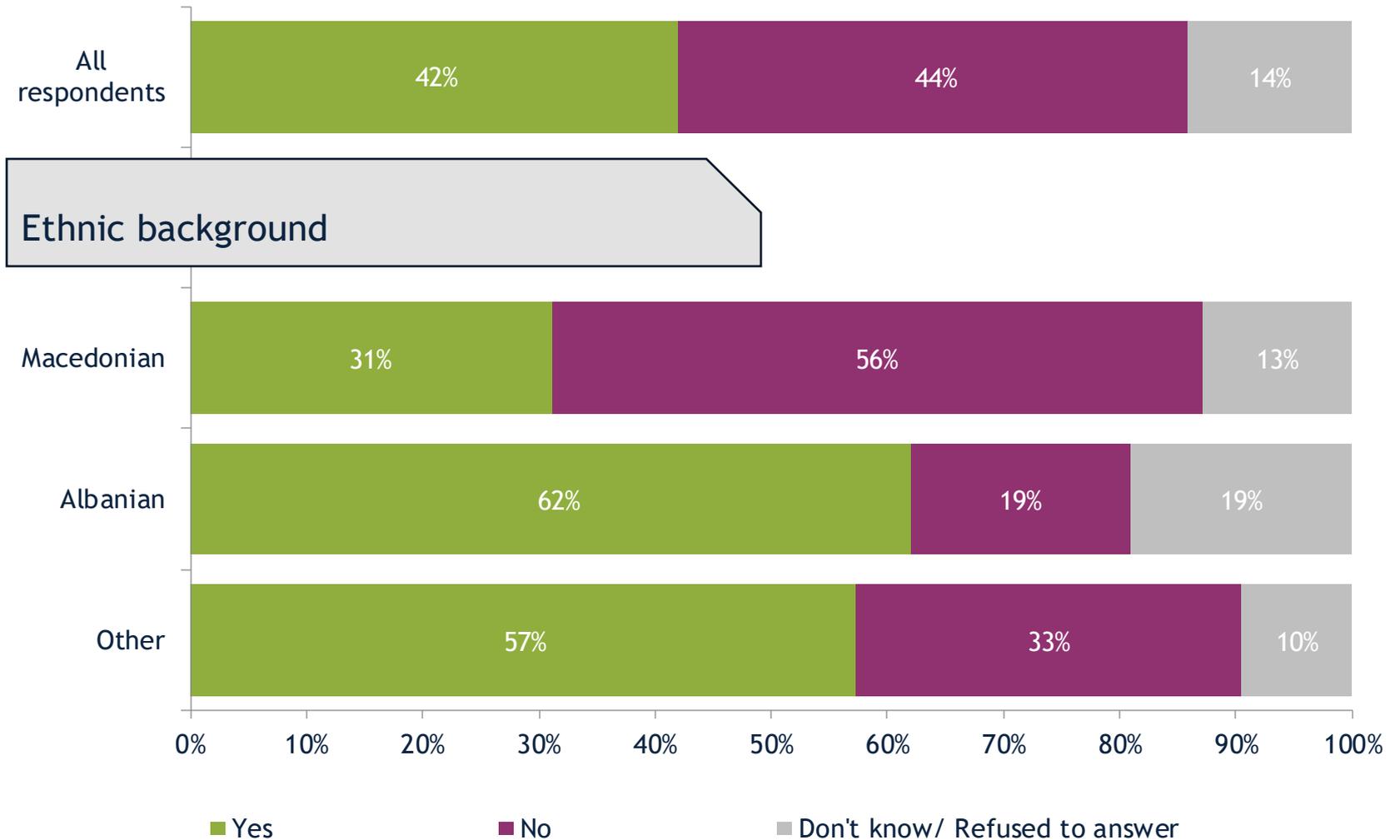
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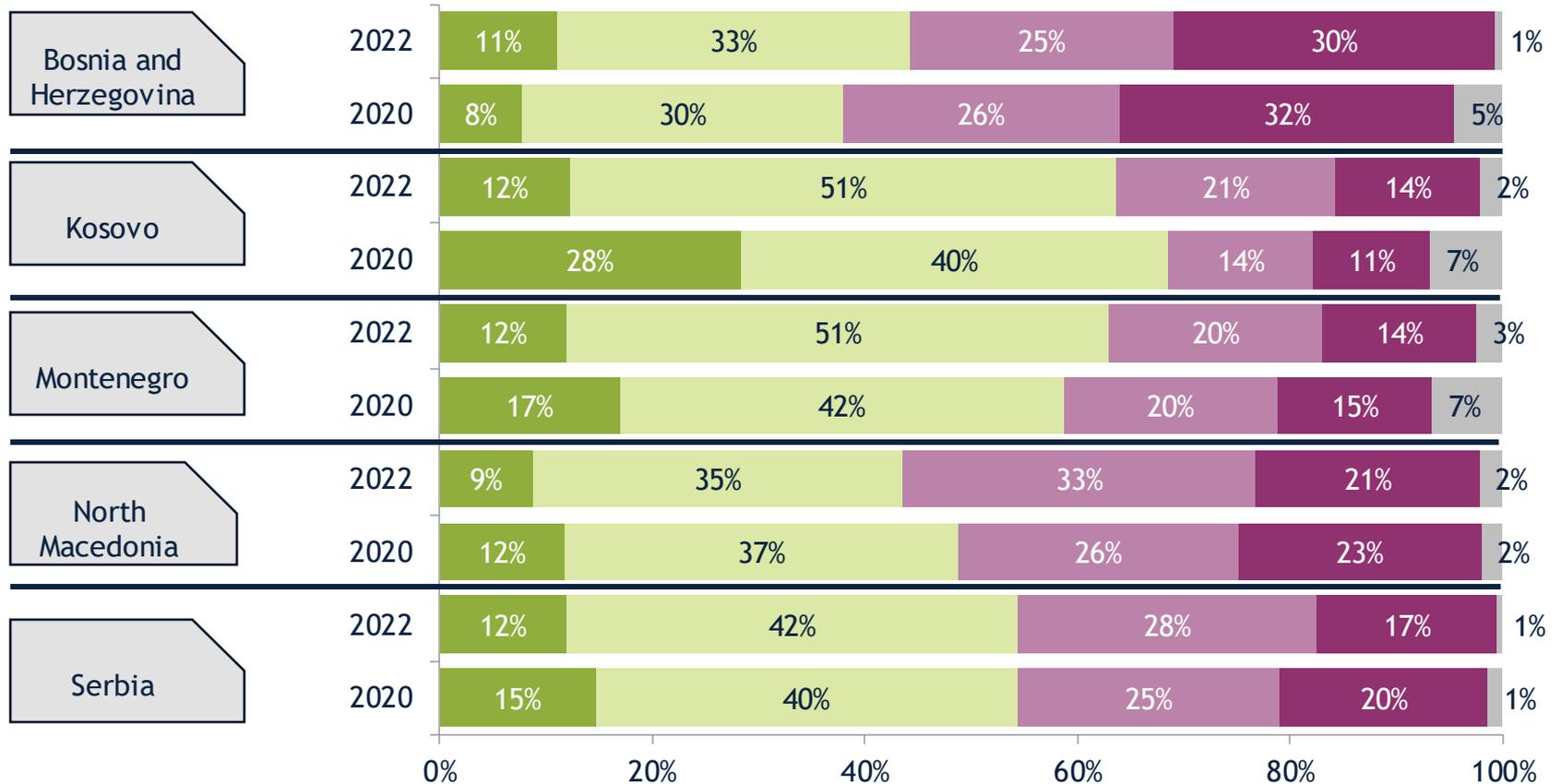
Media Preferences





How interested or uninterested are you in political news and information?

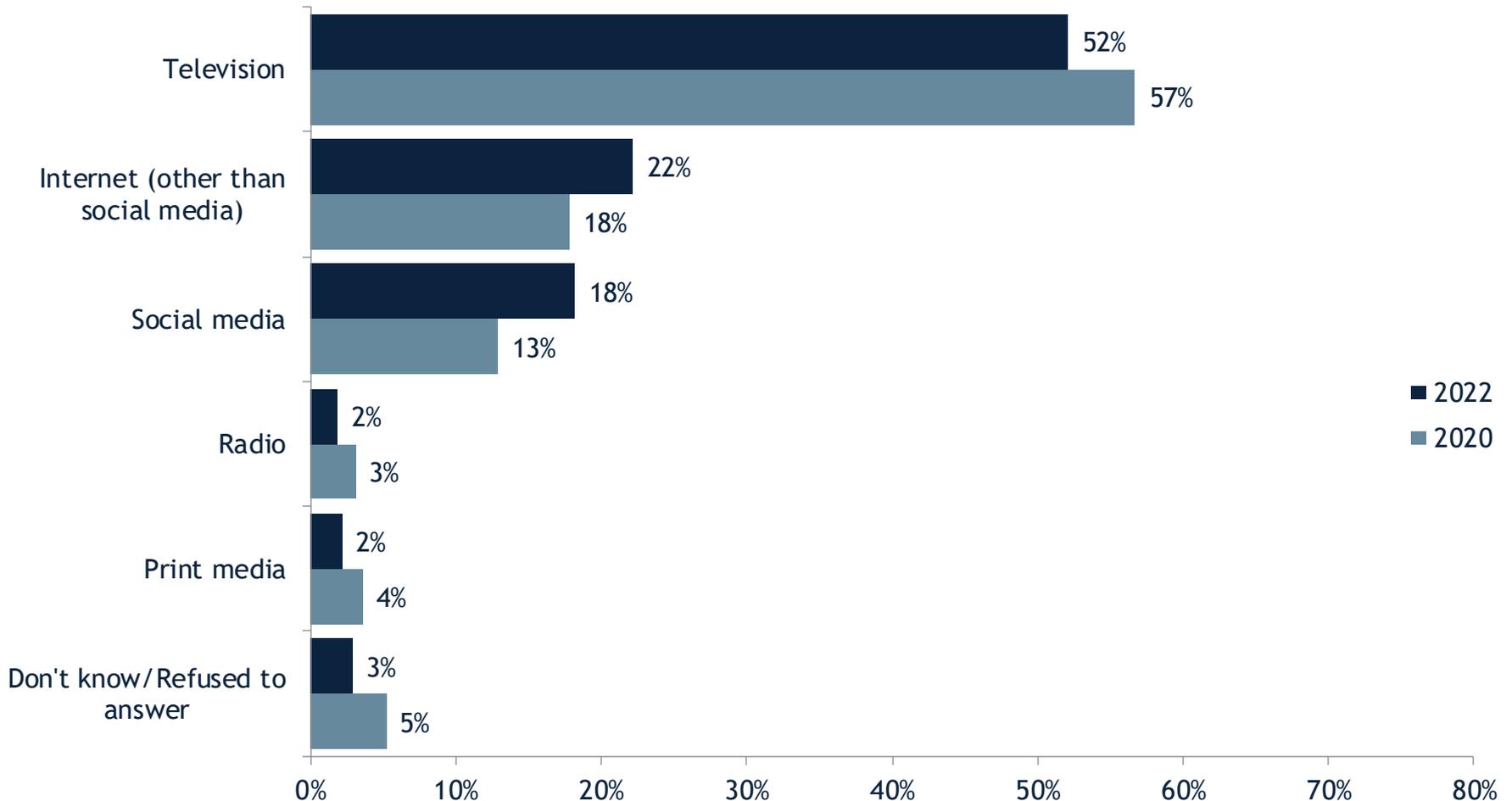
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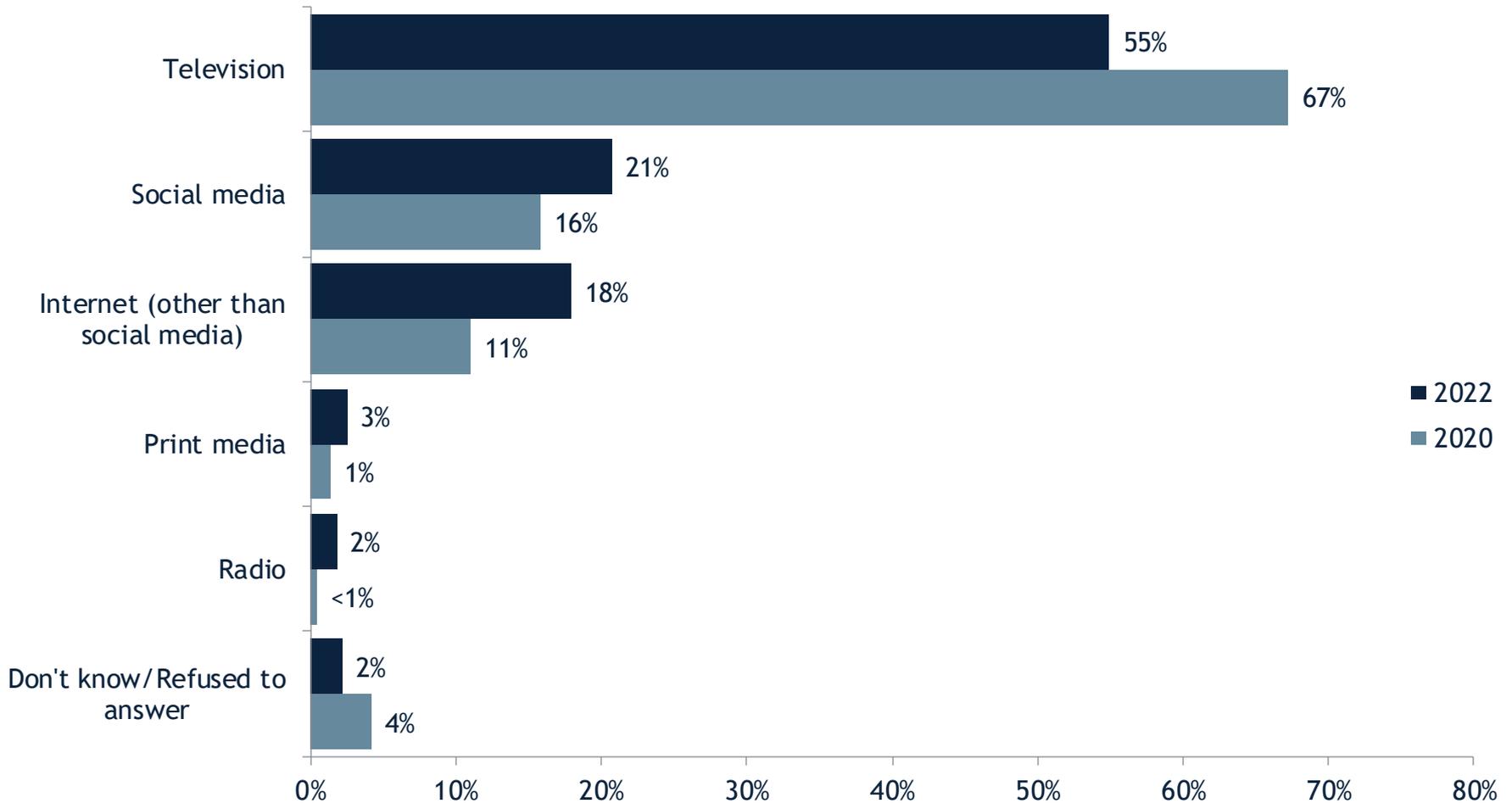
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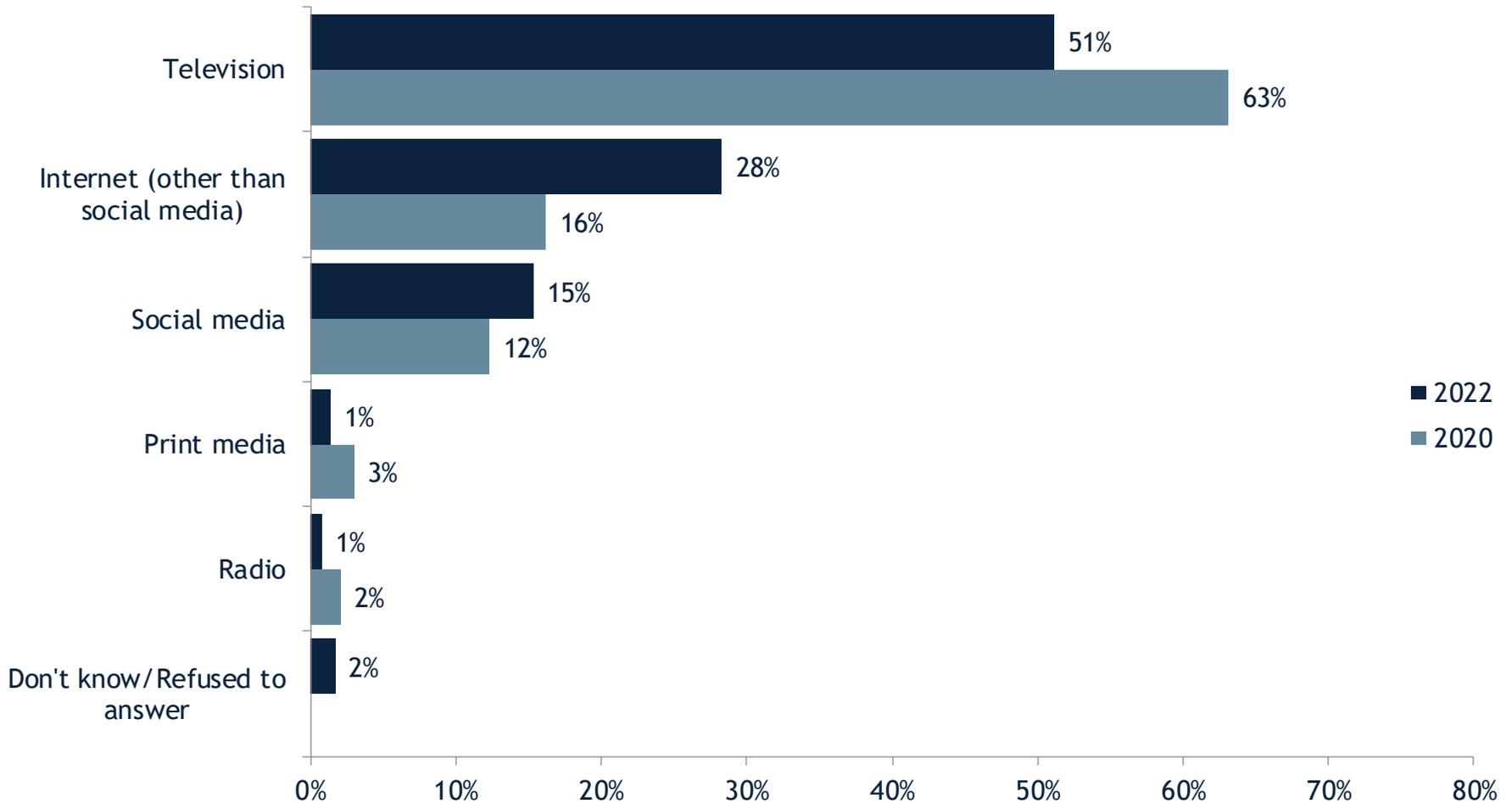
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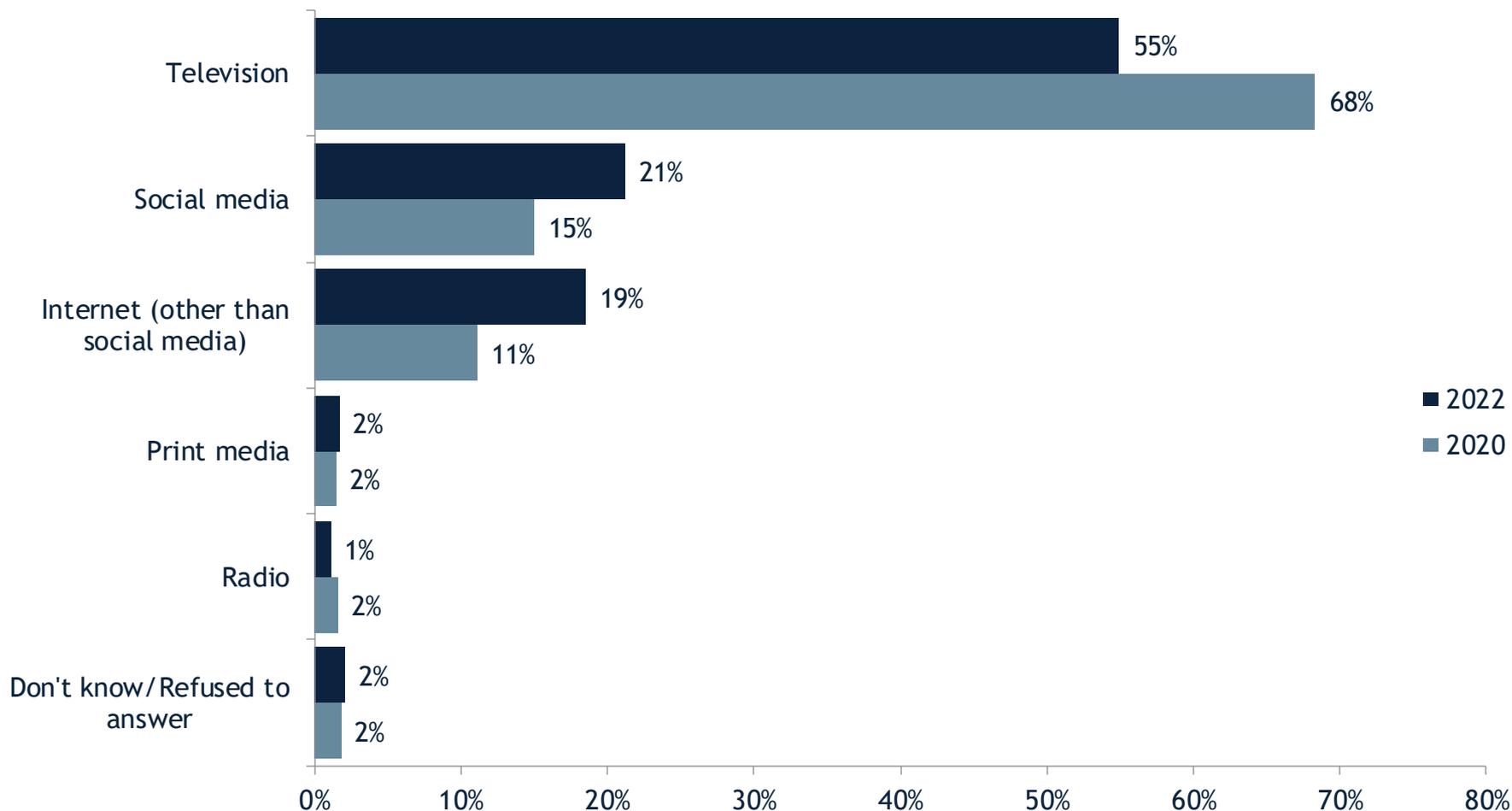
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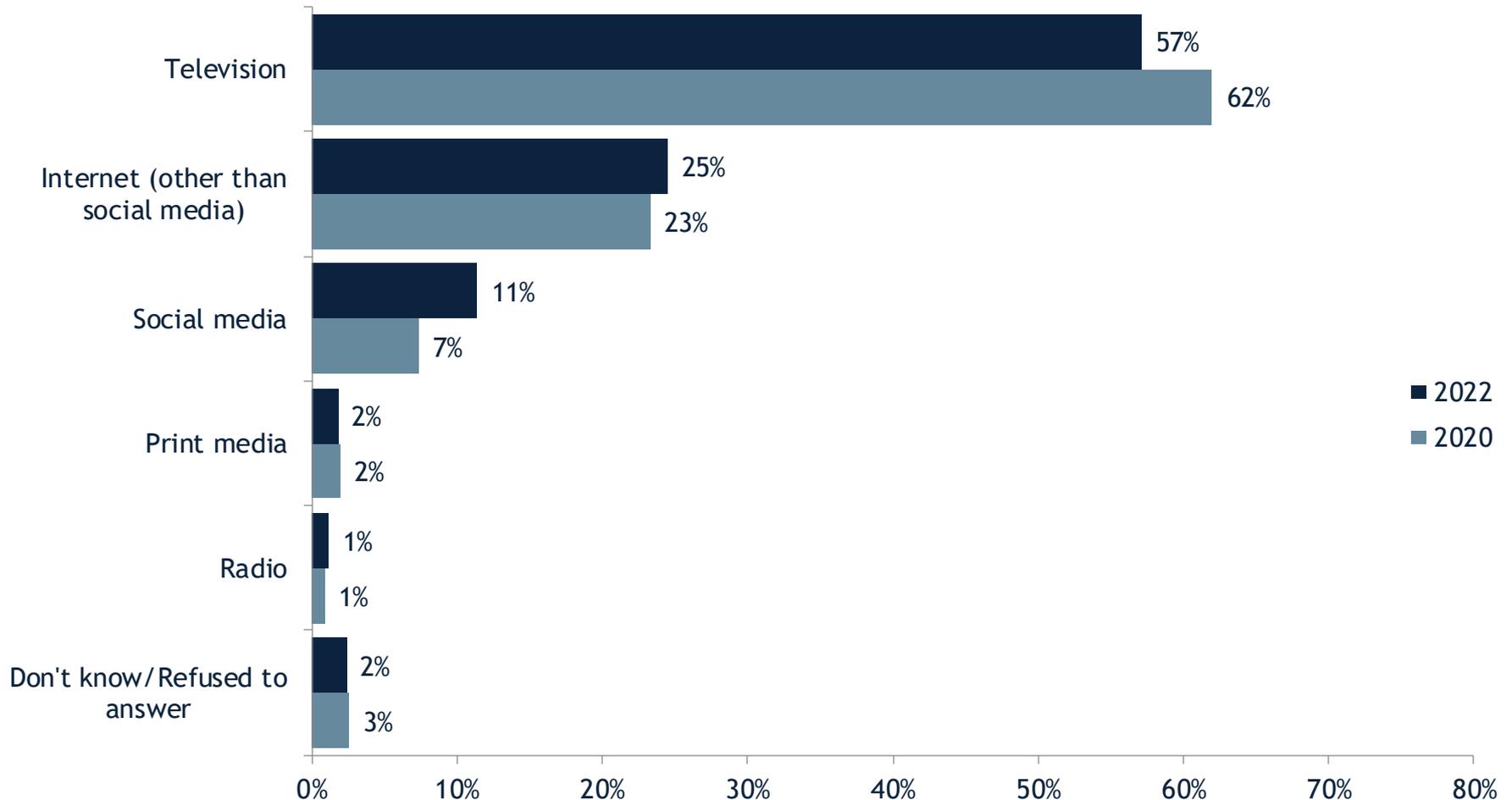
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(North Macedonia, first response, 2022 vs 2020)



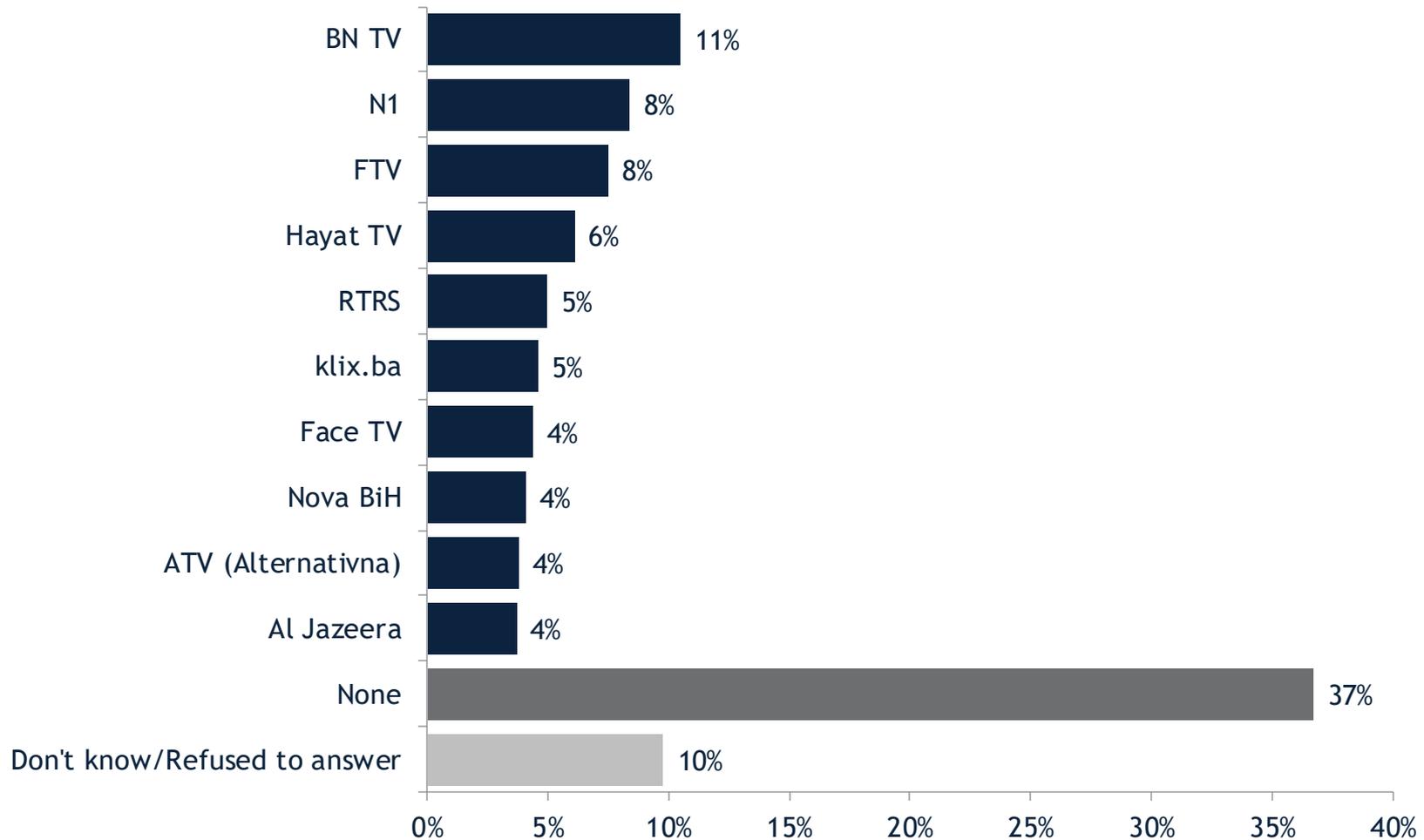
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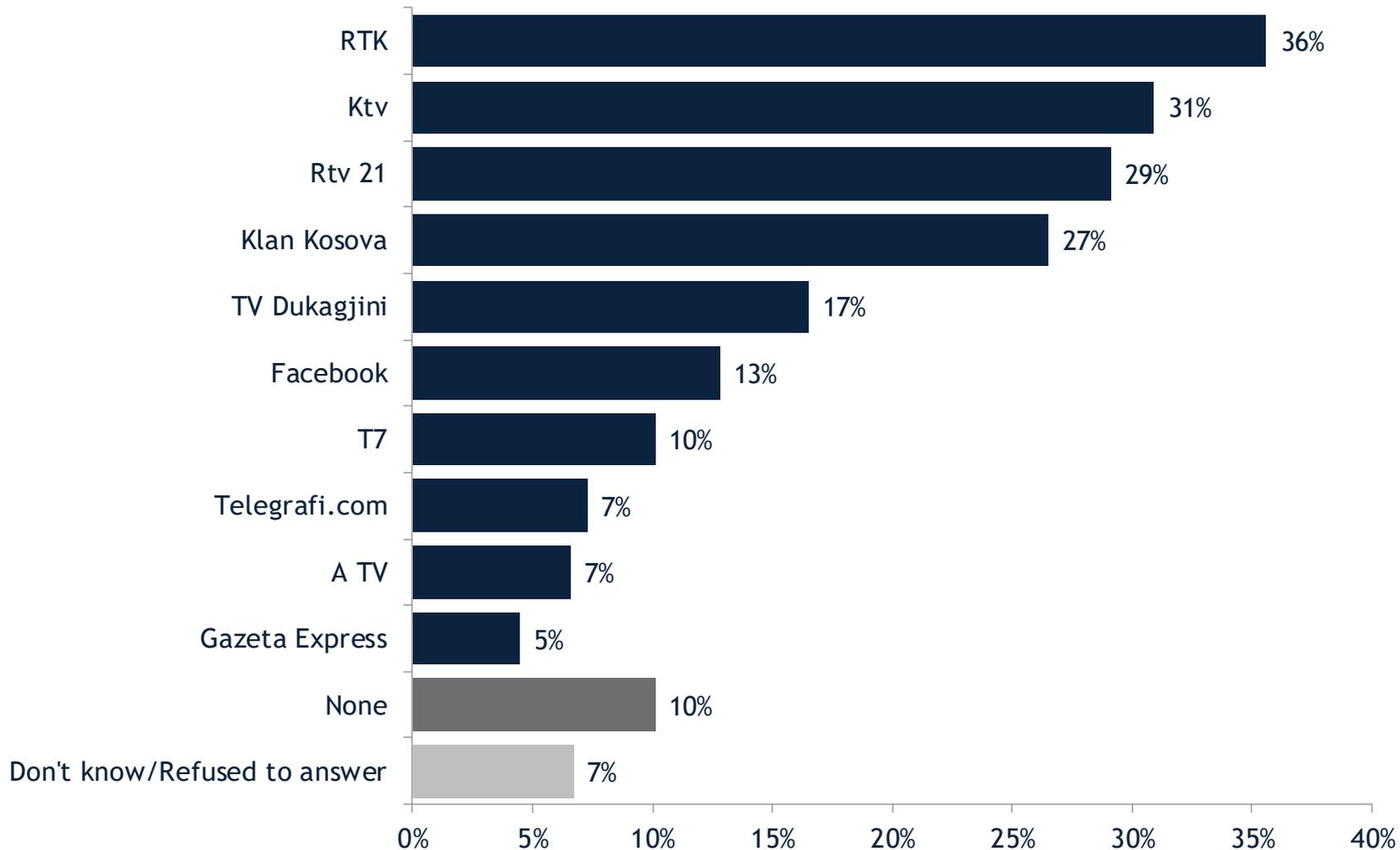
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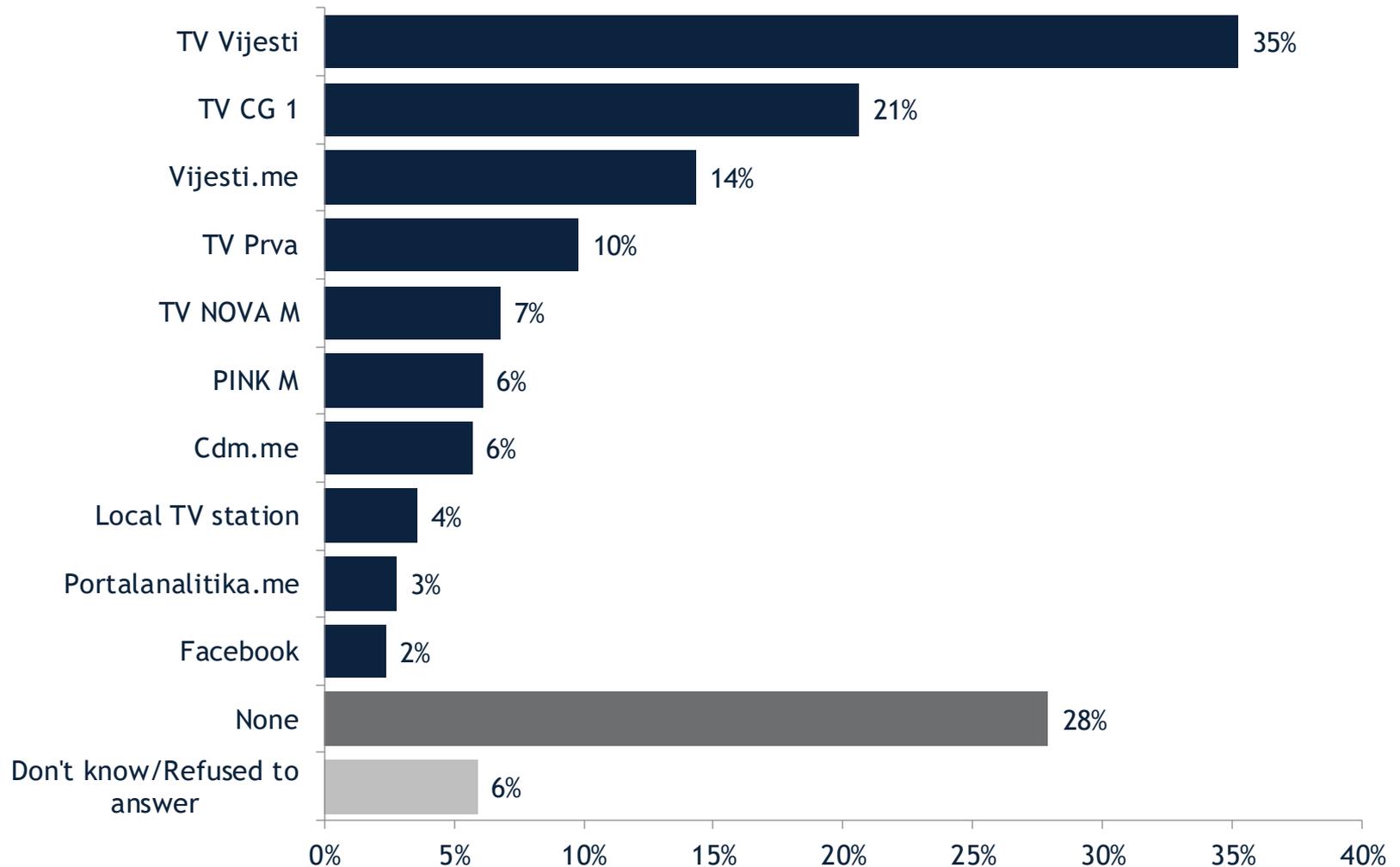
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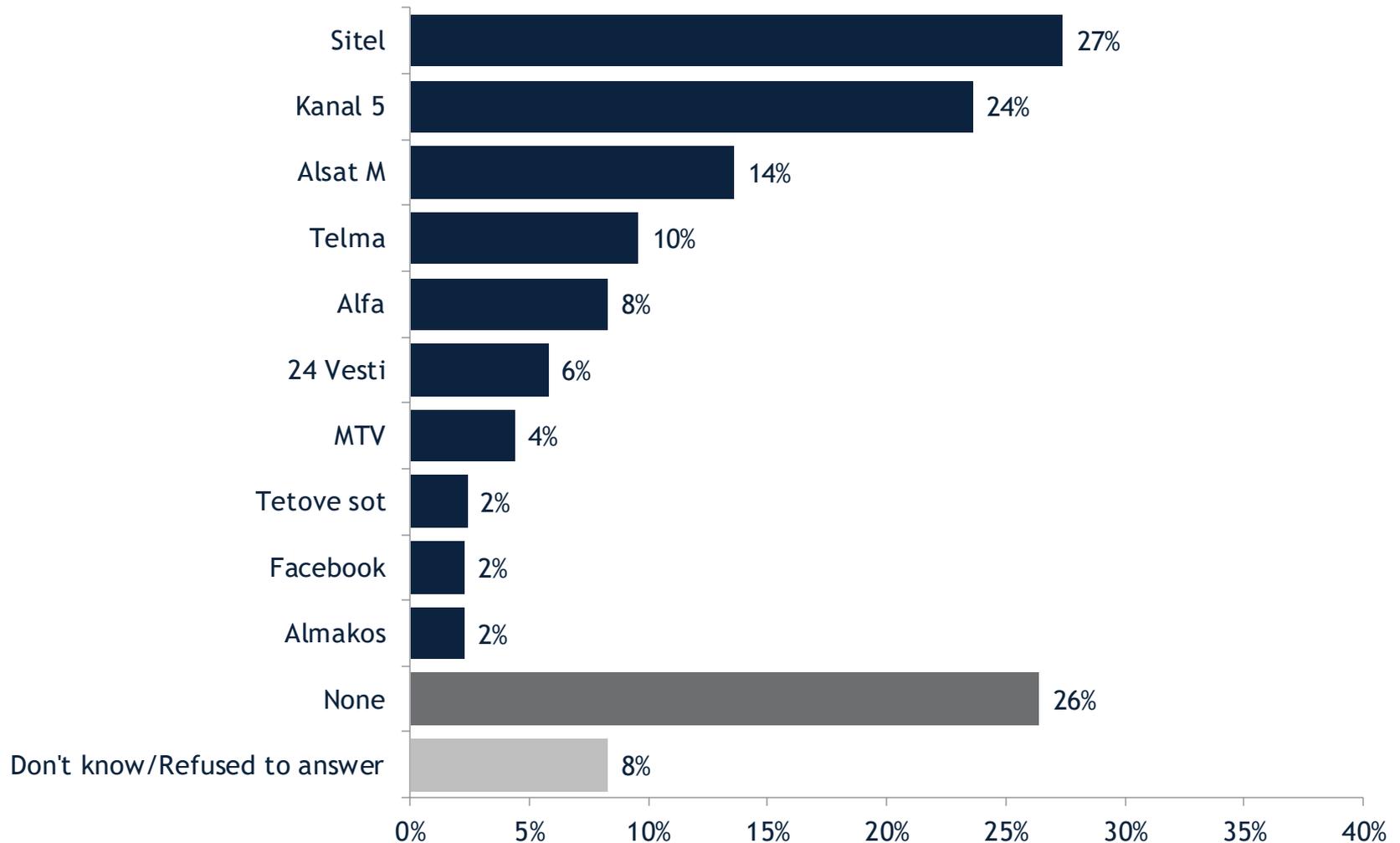
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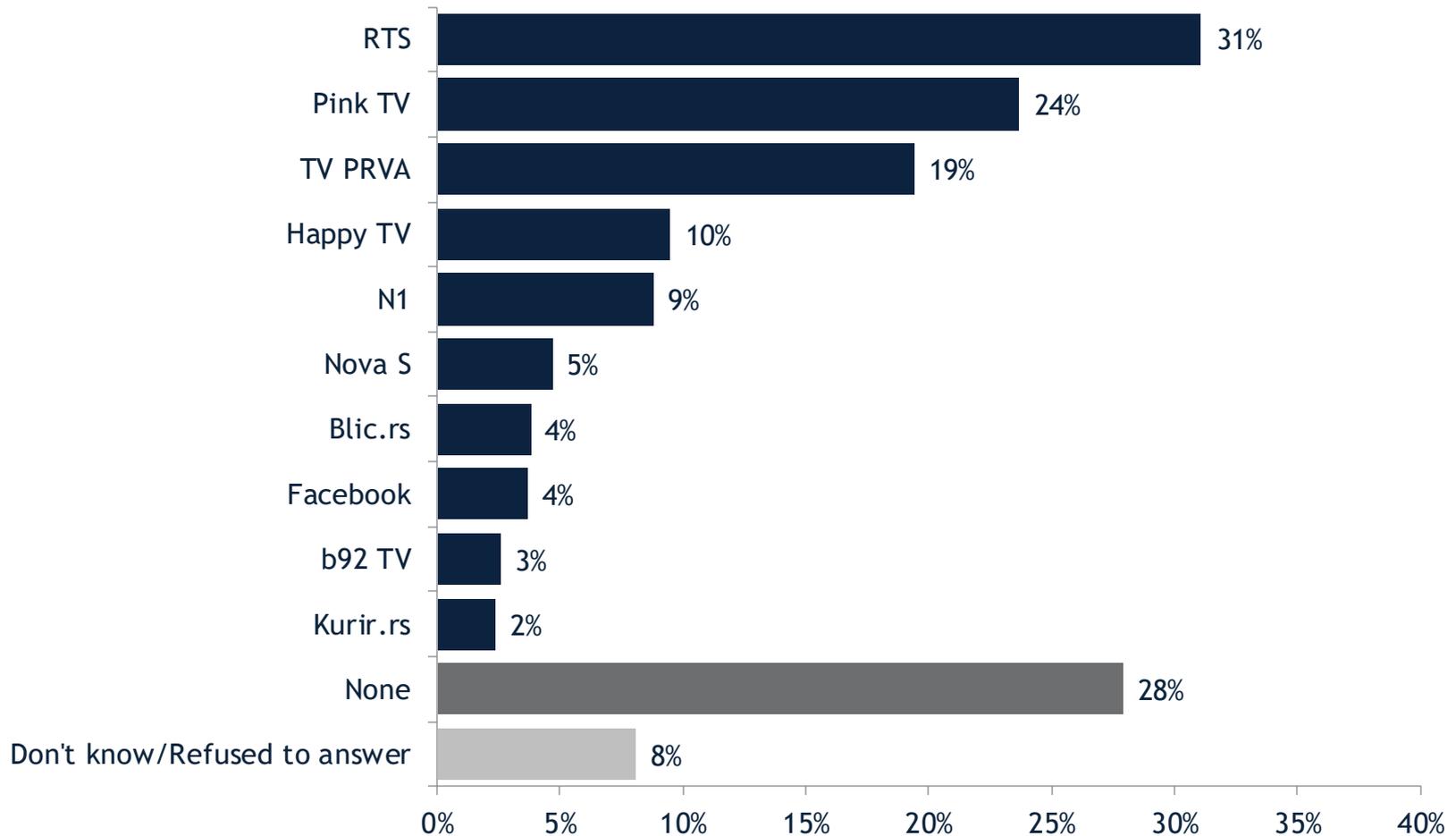
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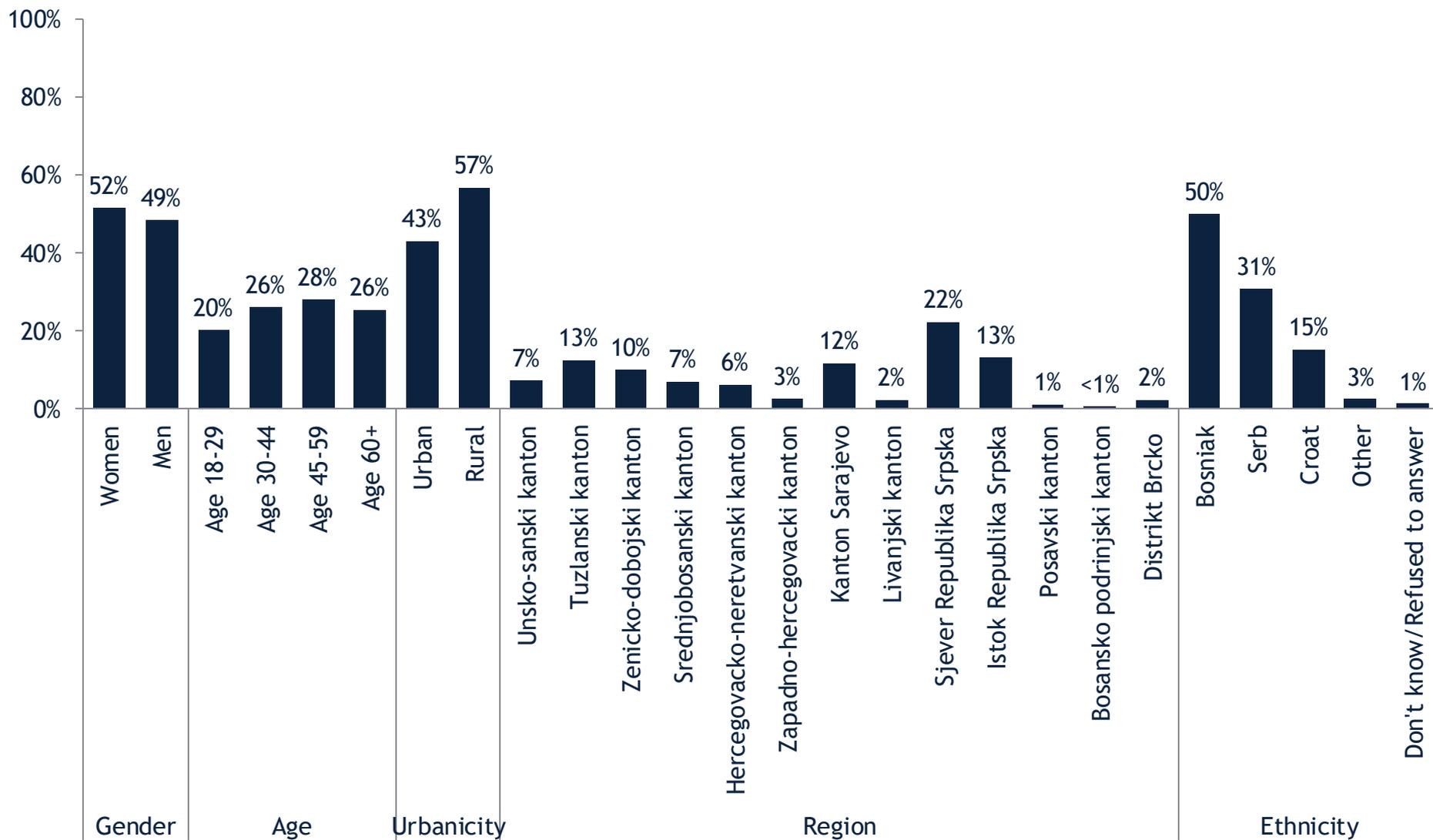
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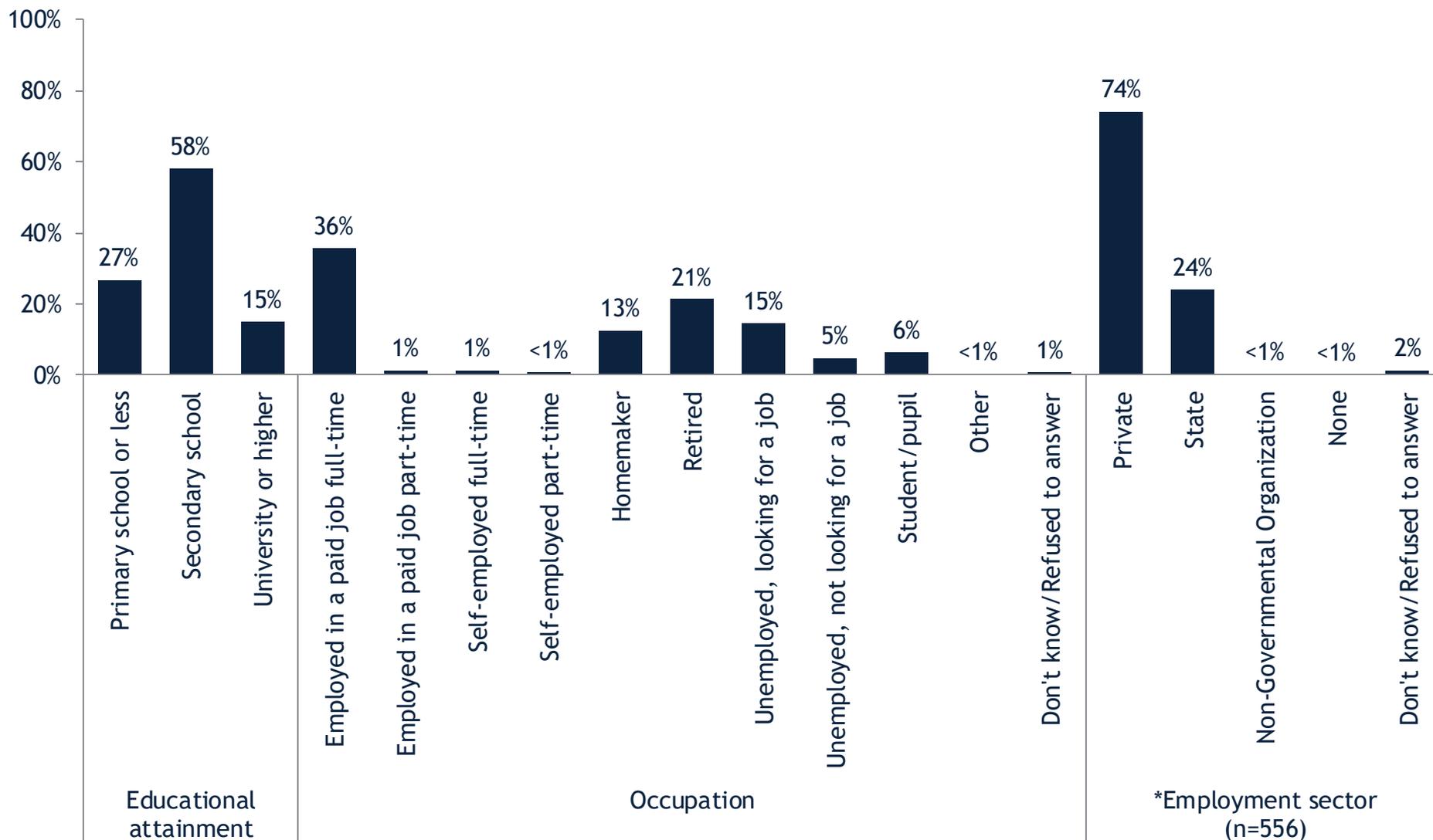
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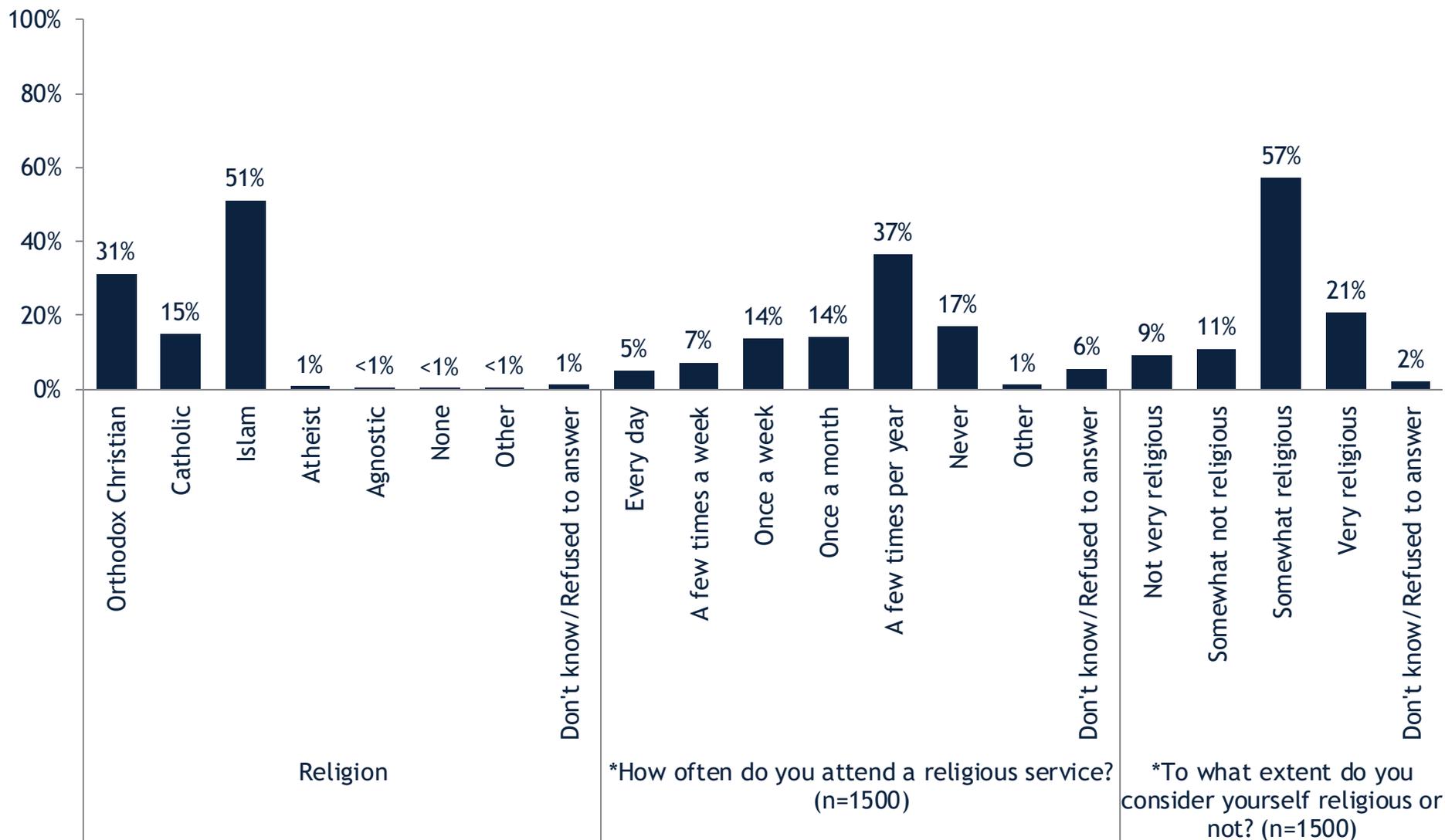


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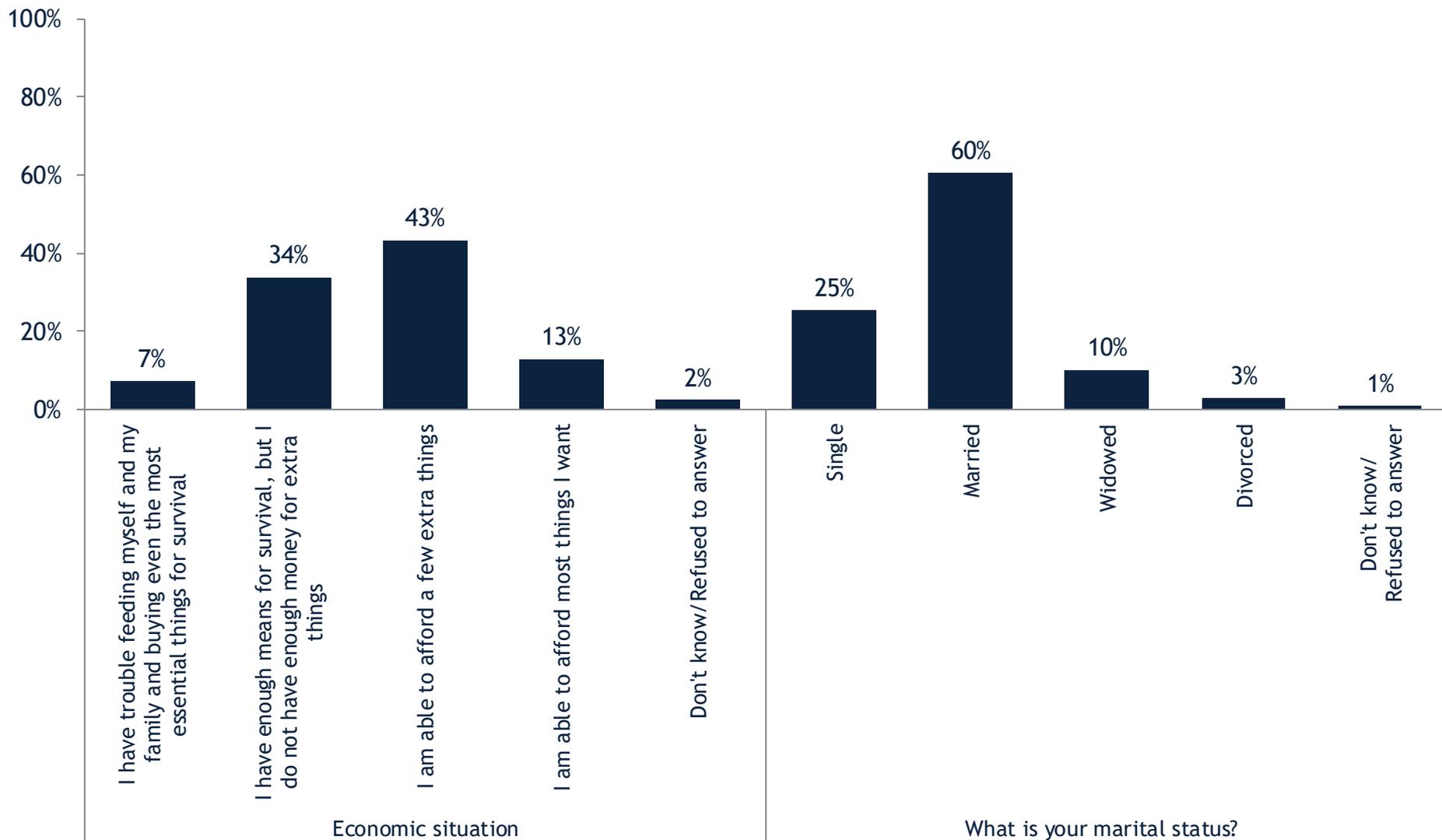
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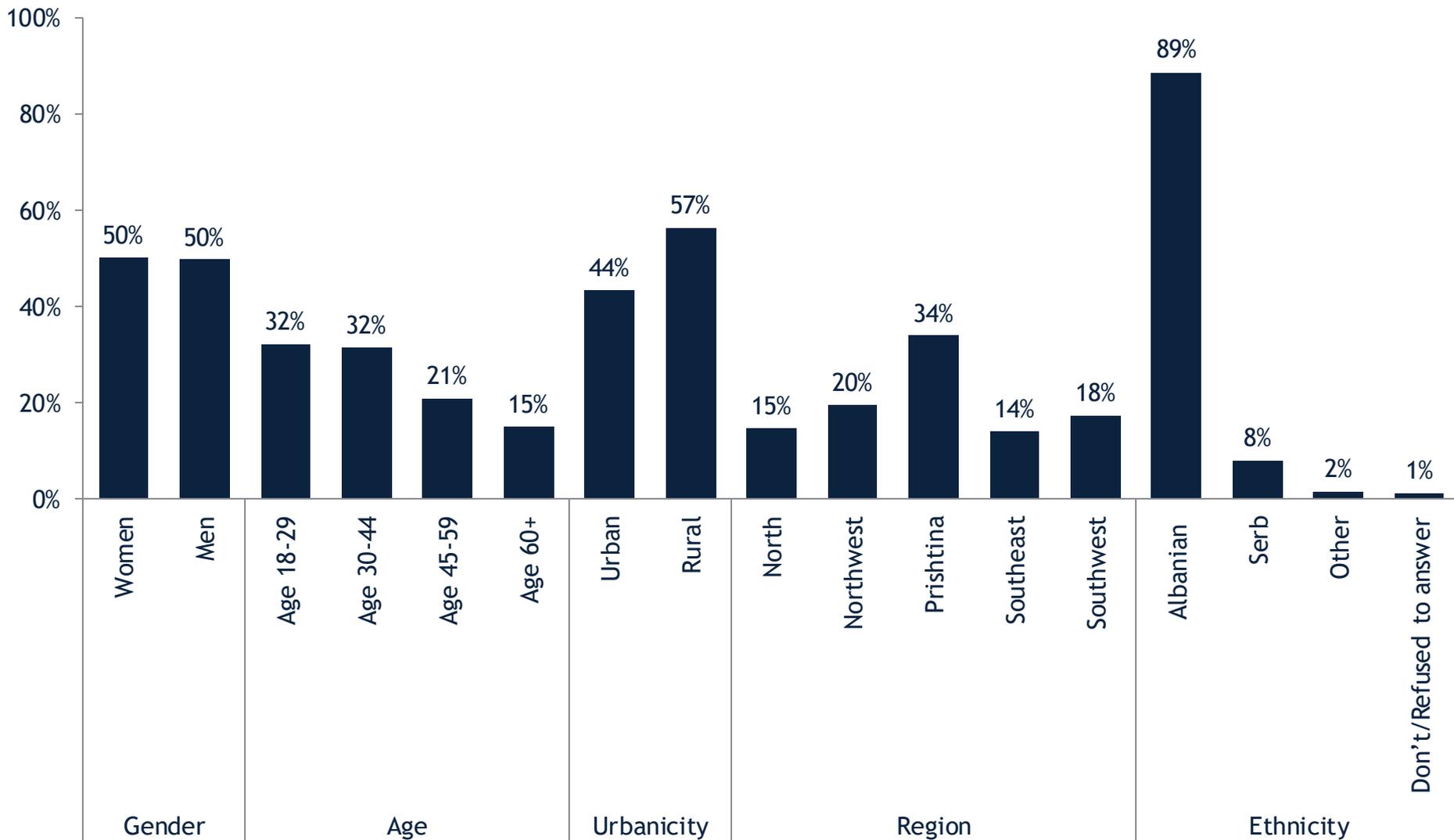


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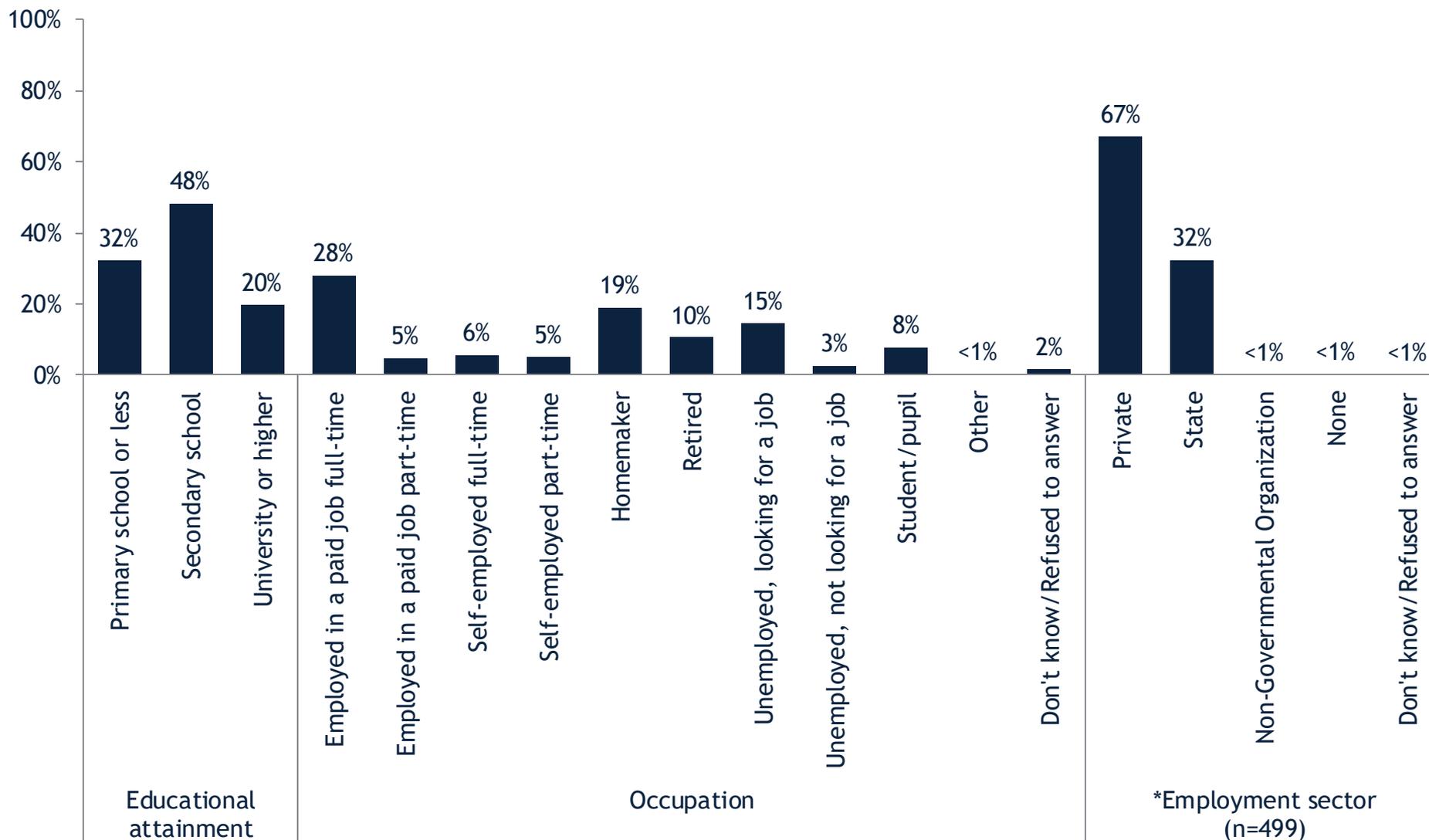
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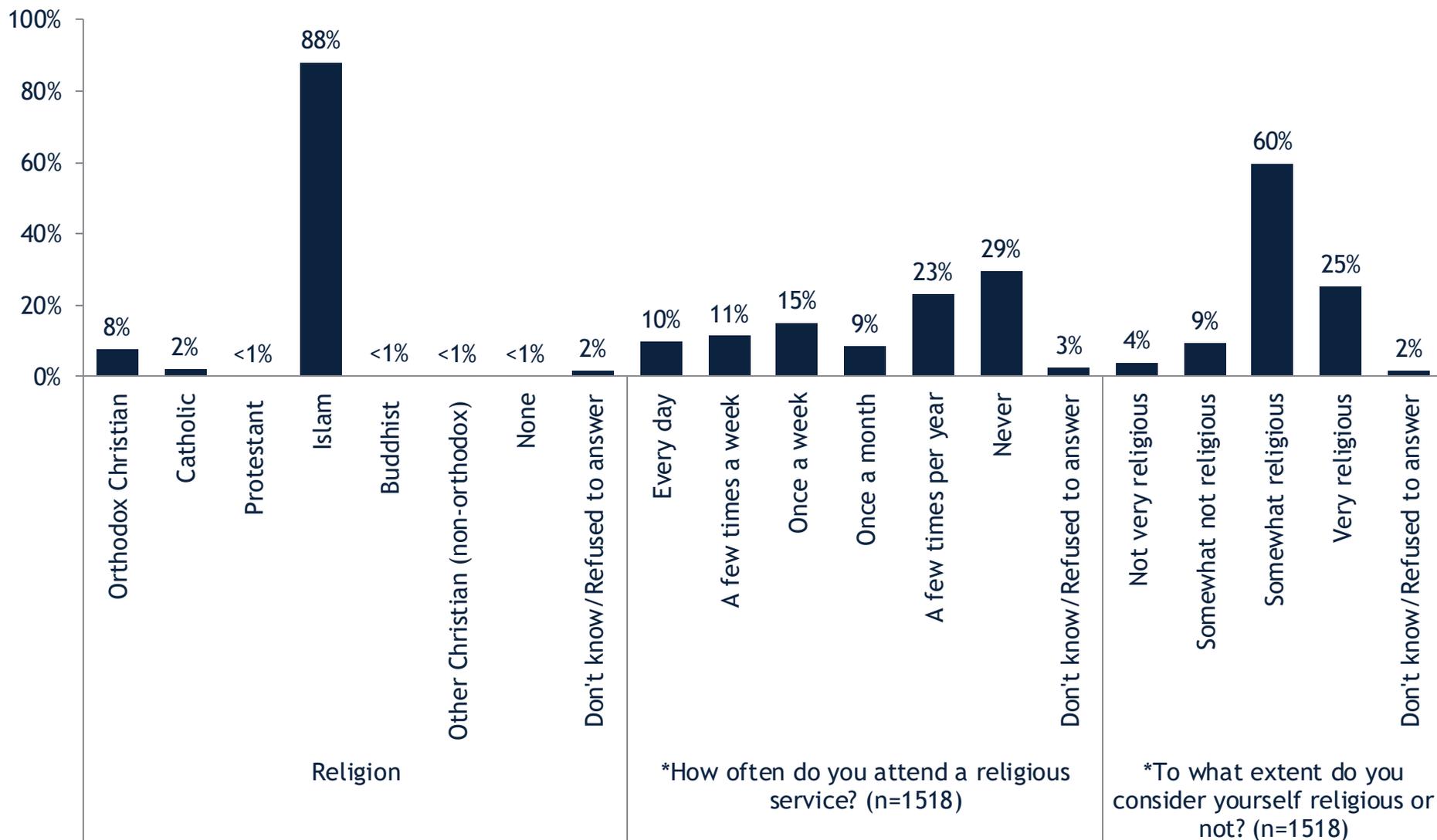


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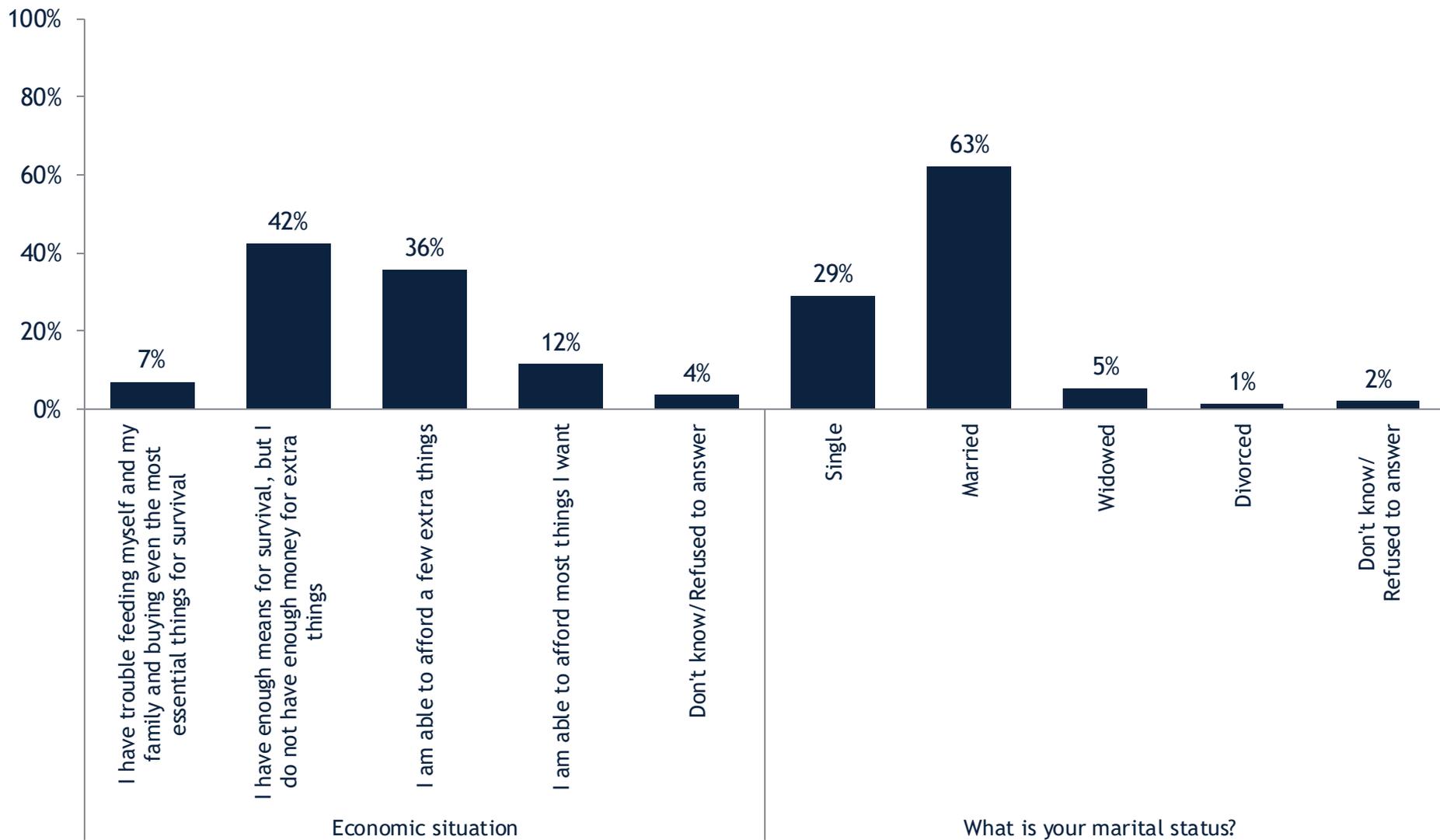
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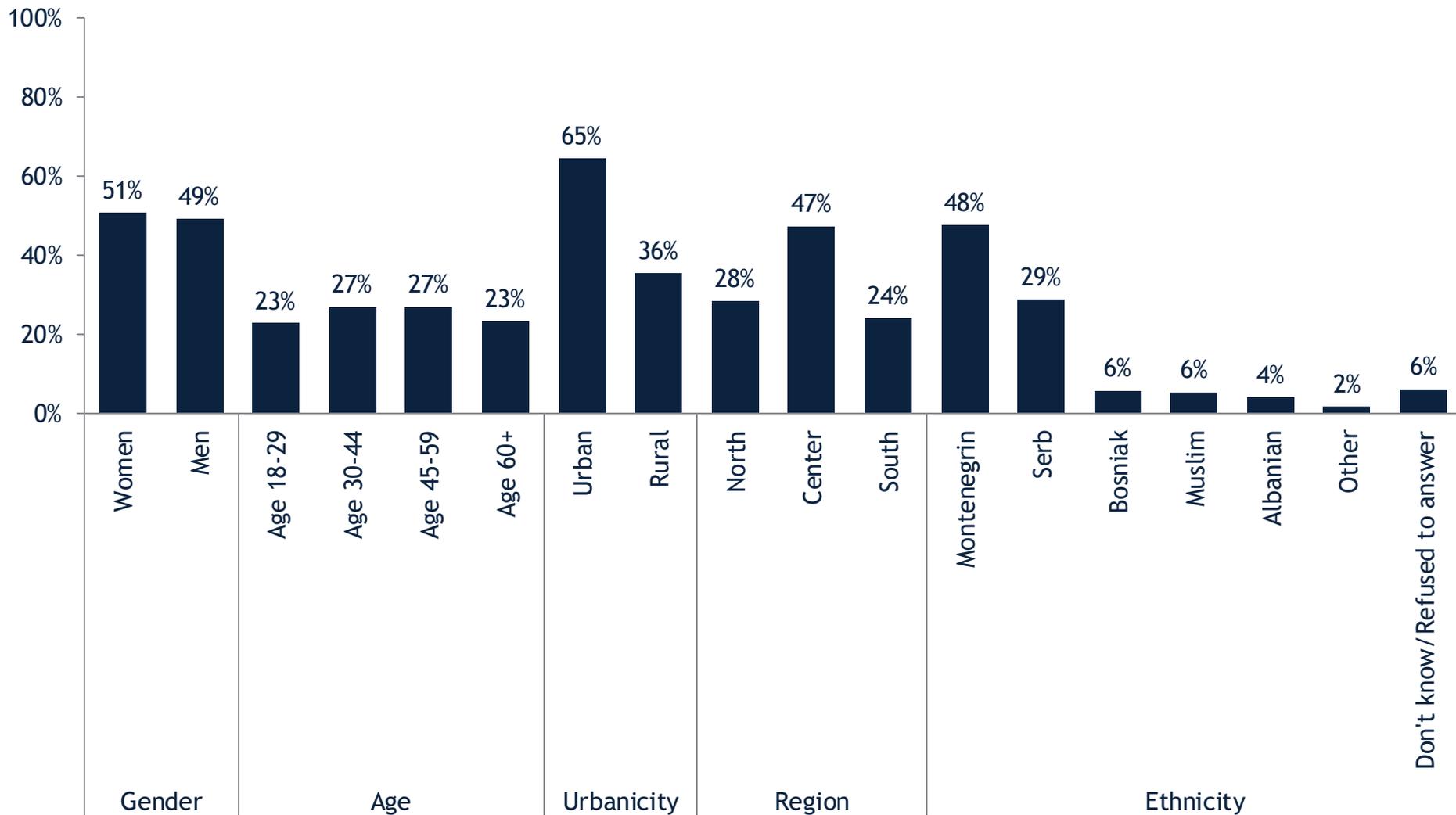


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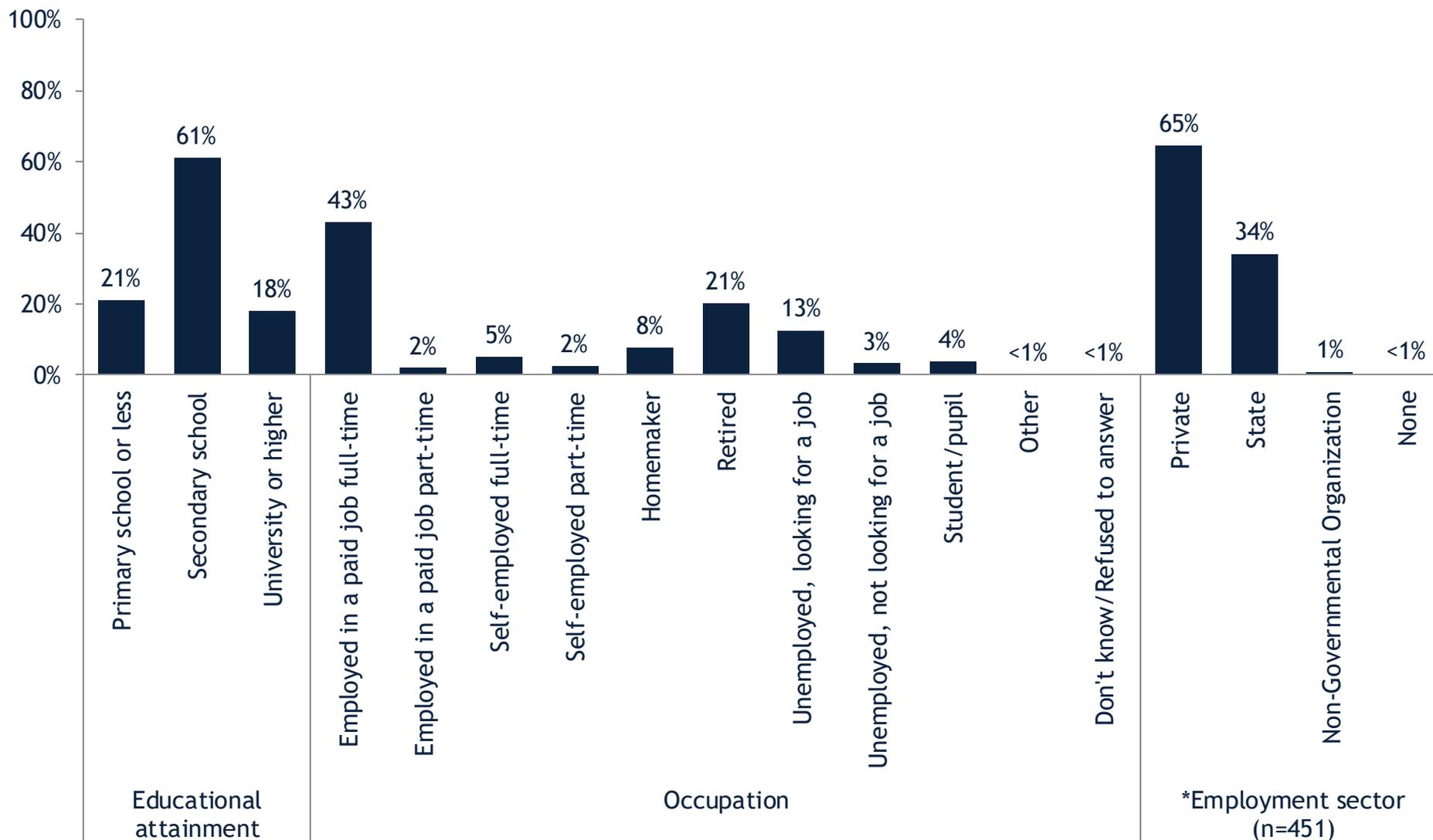
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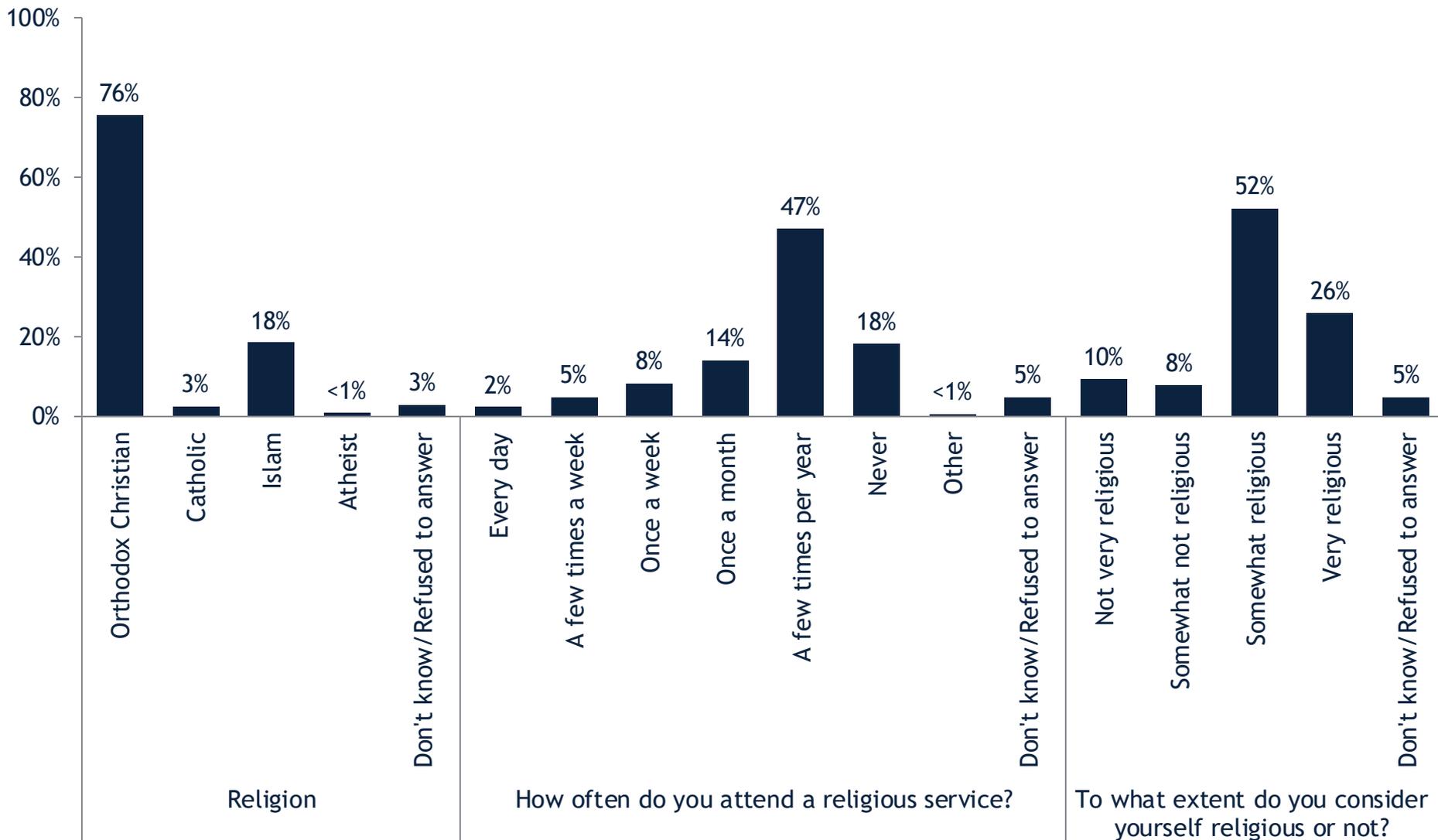


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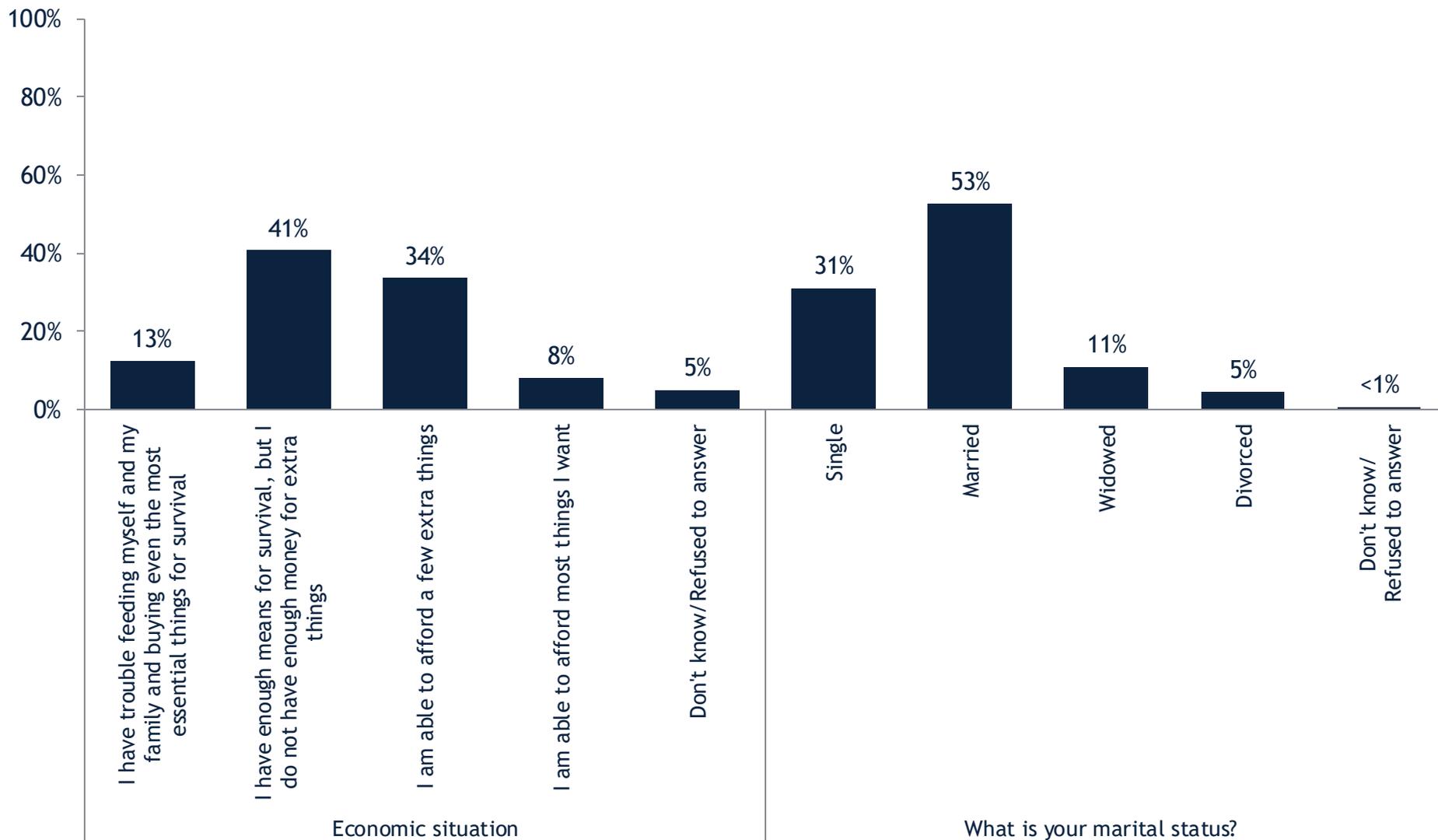


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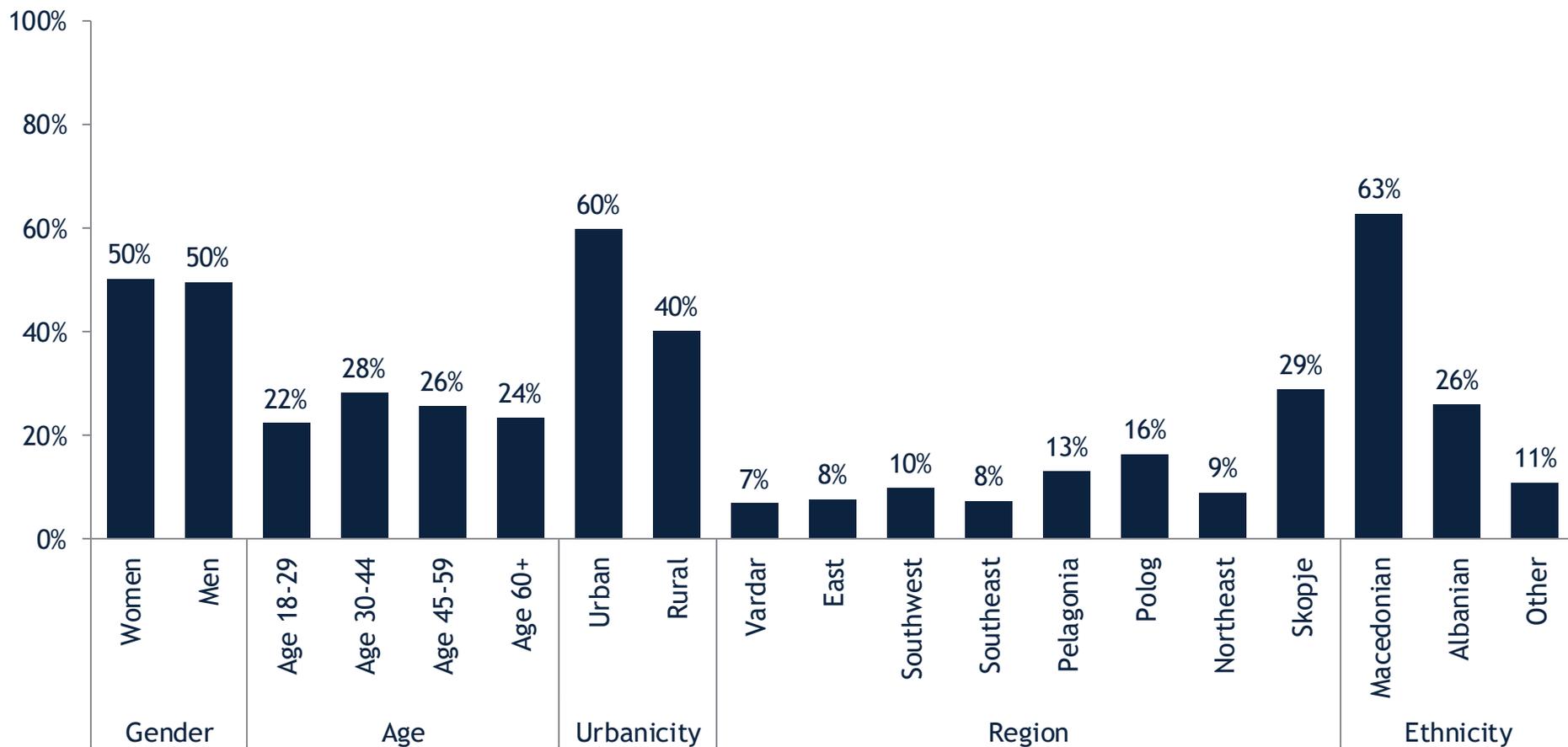
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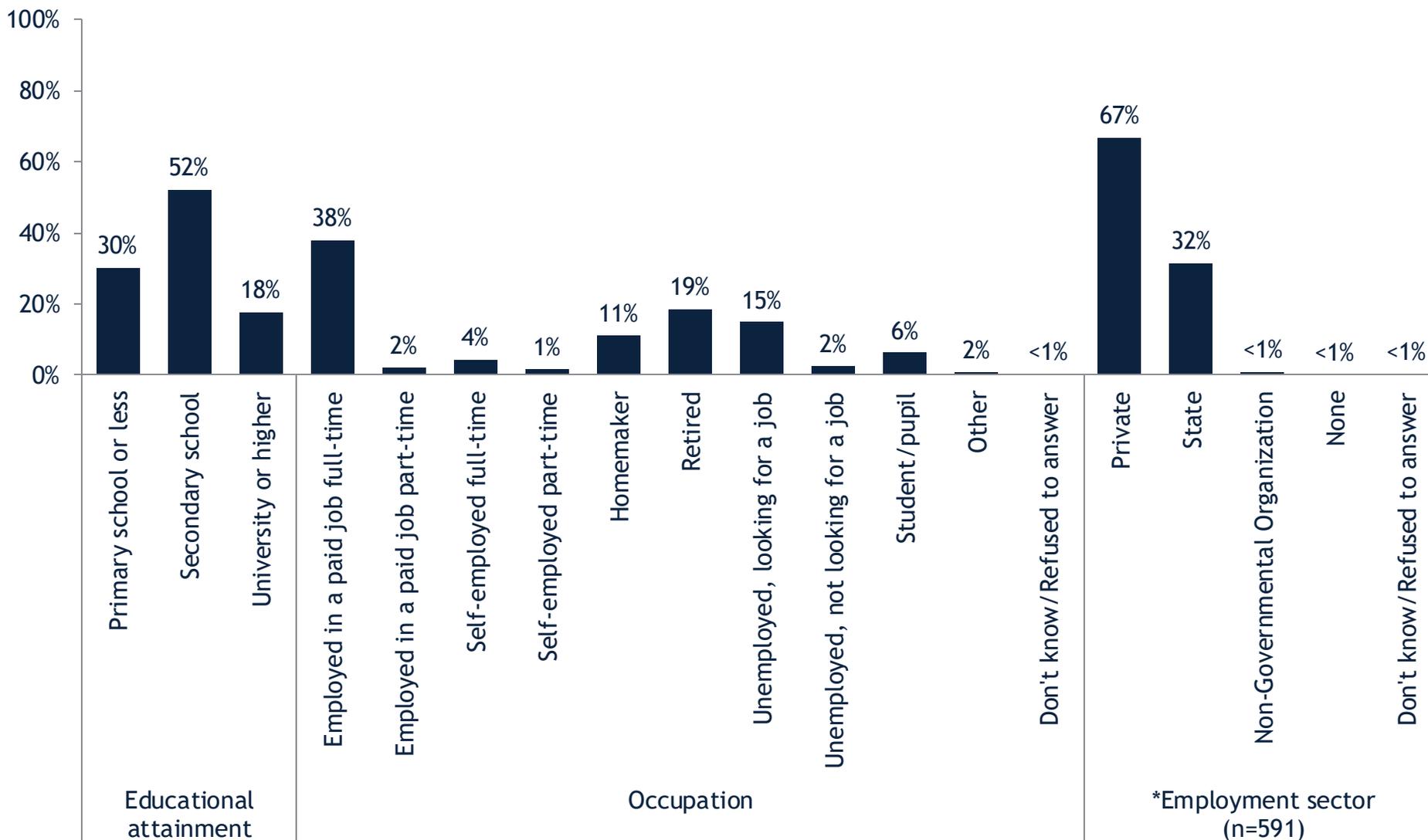
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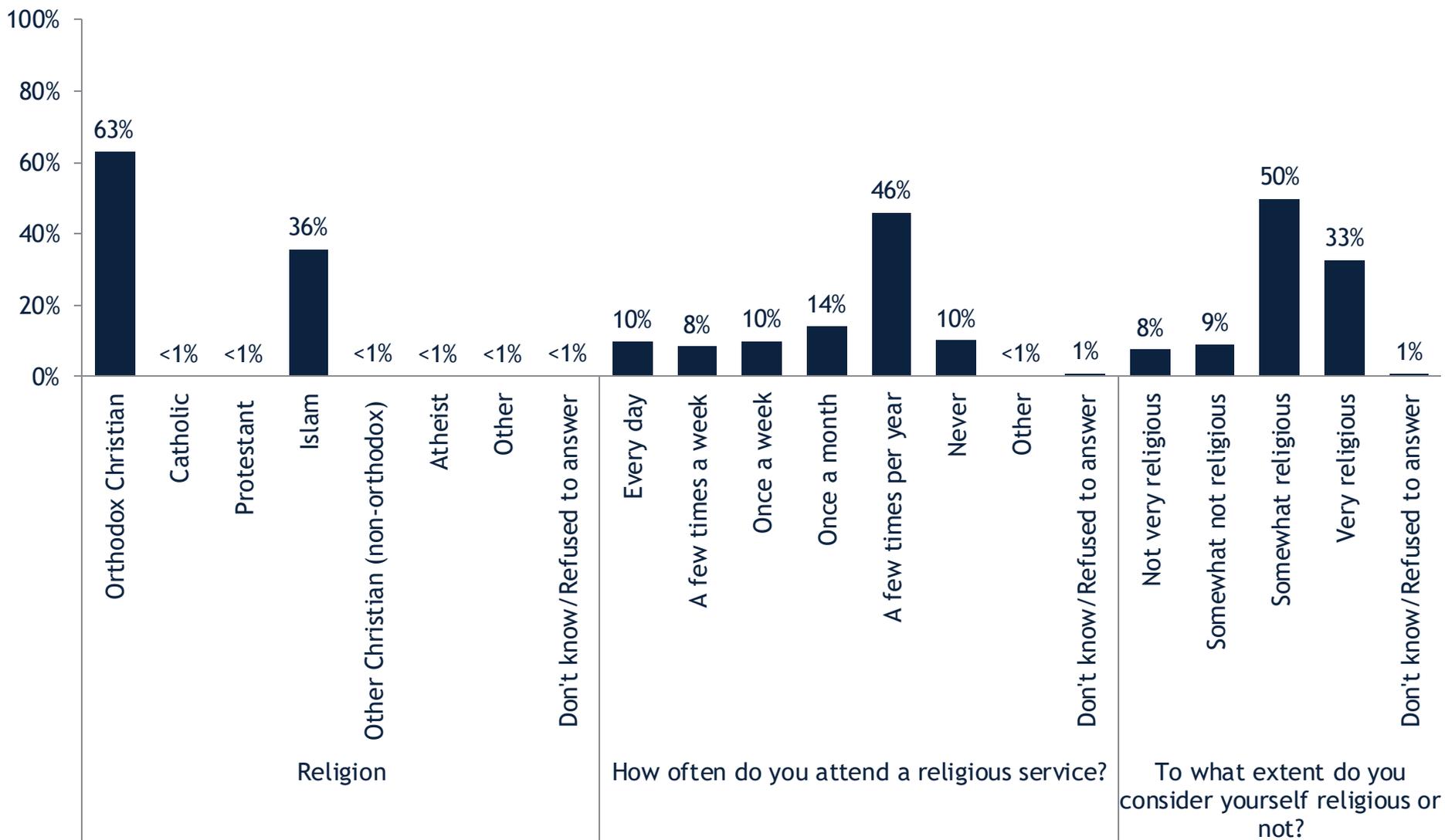


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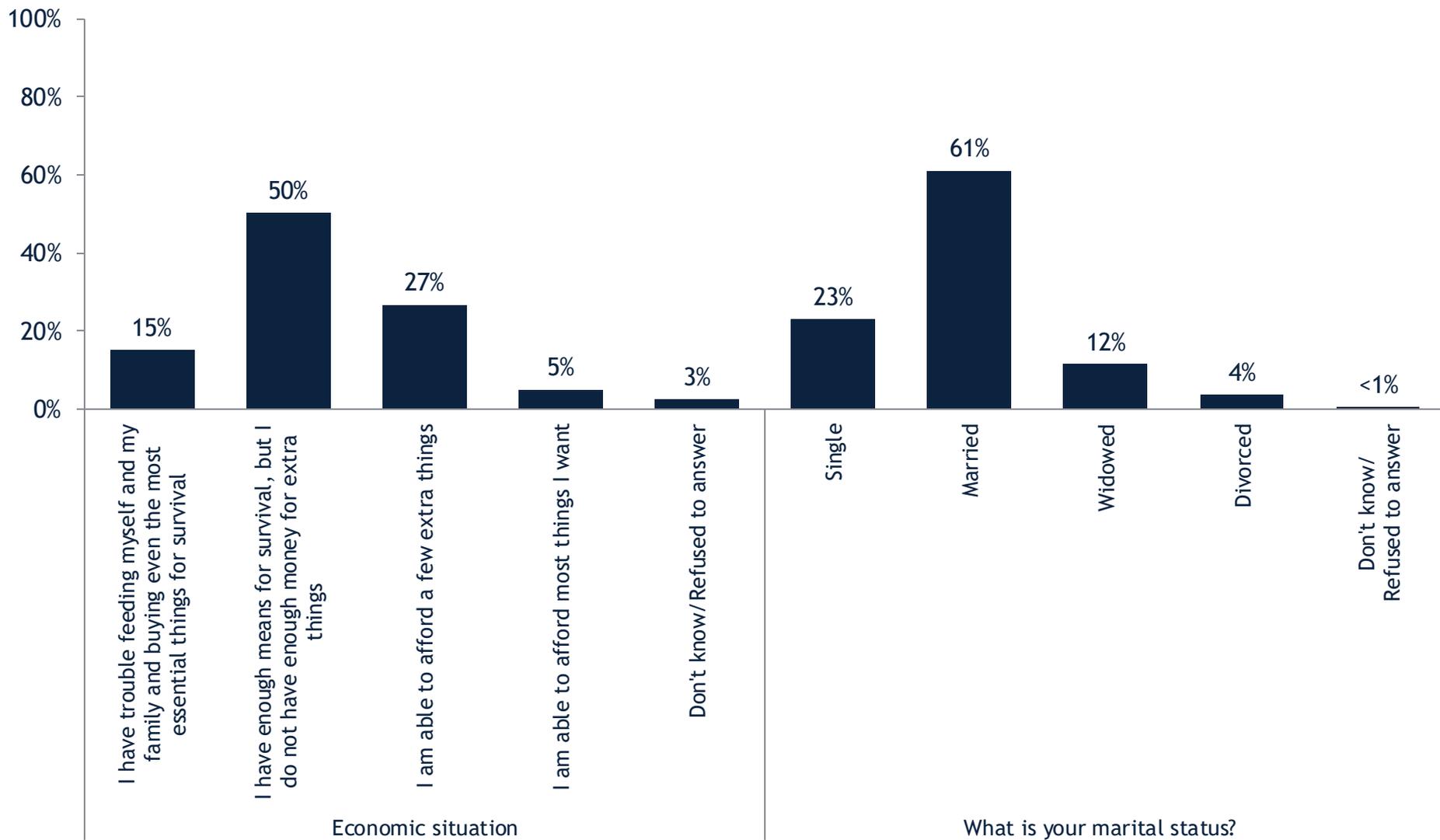


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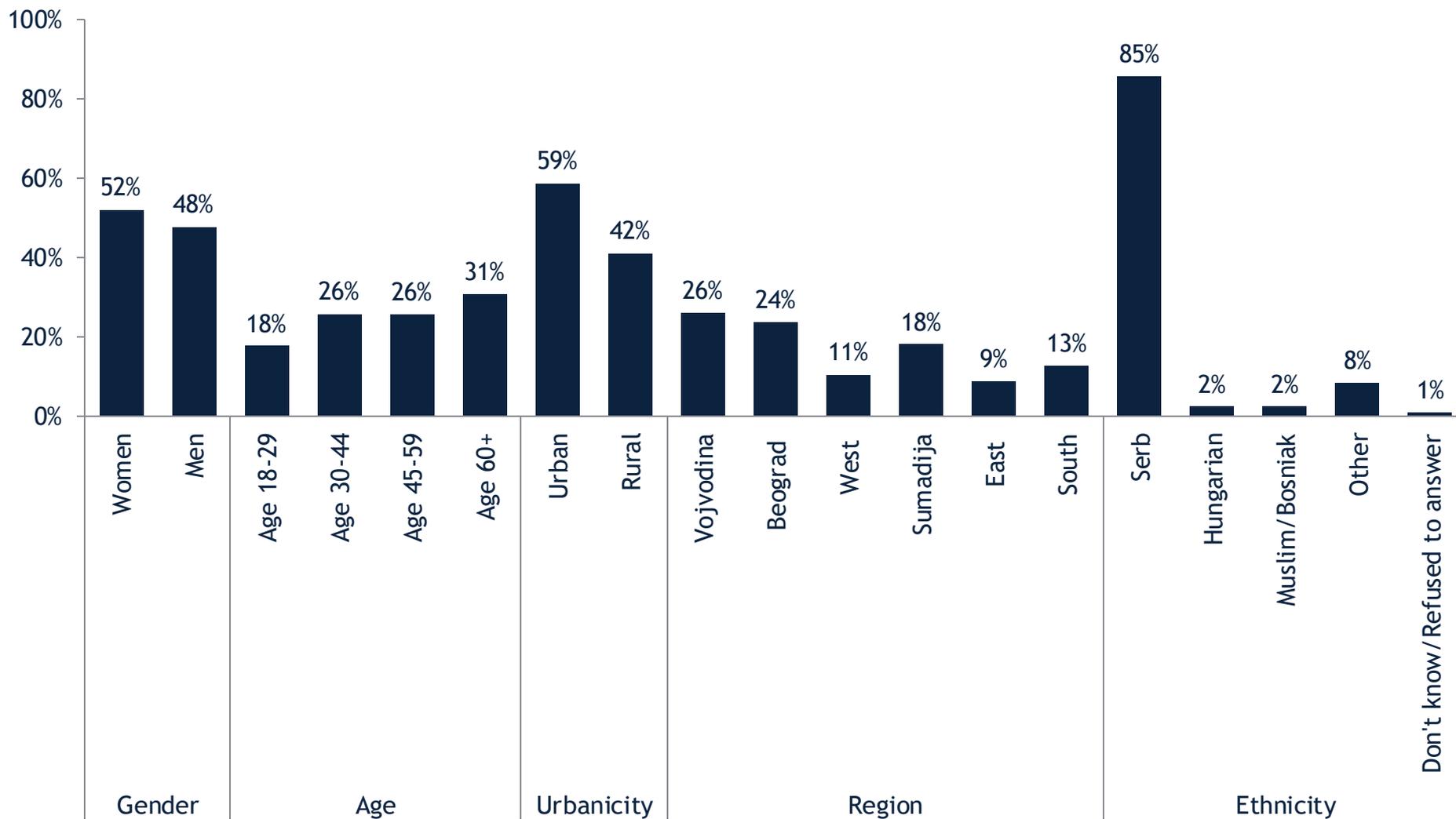
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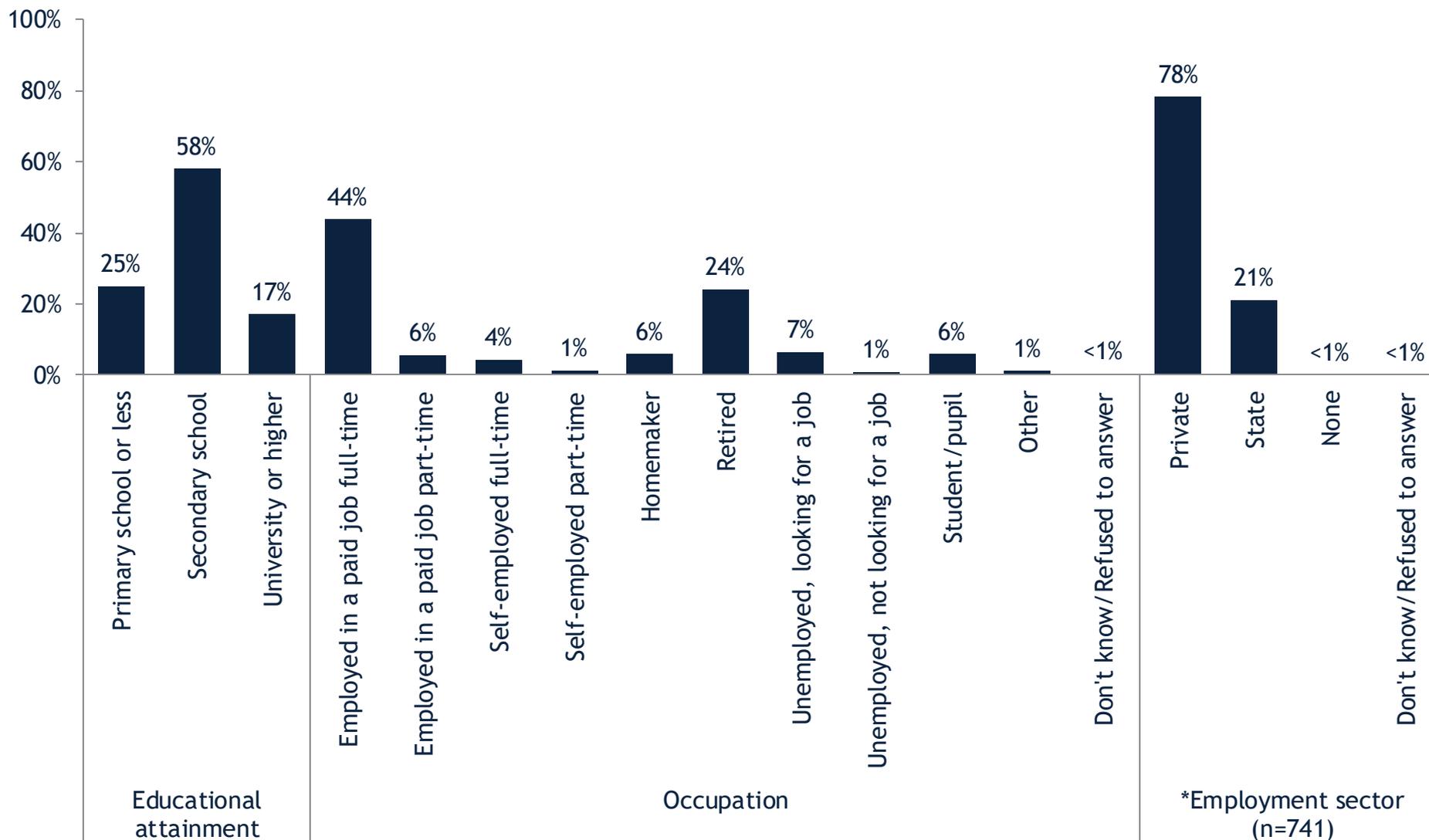
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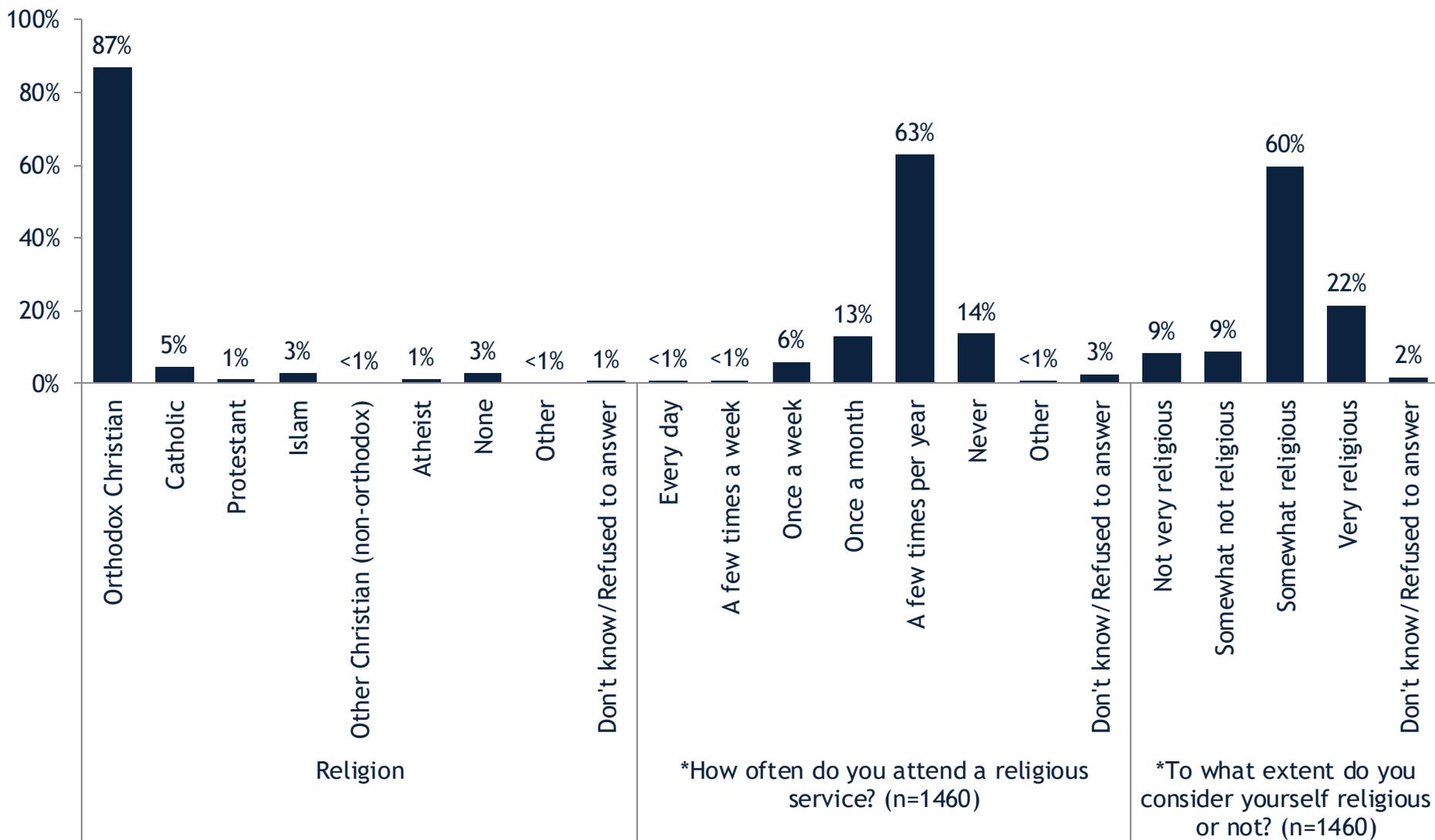


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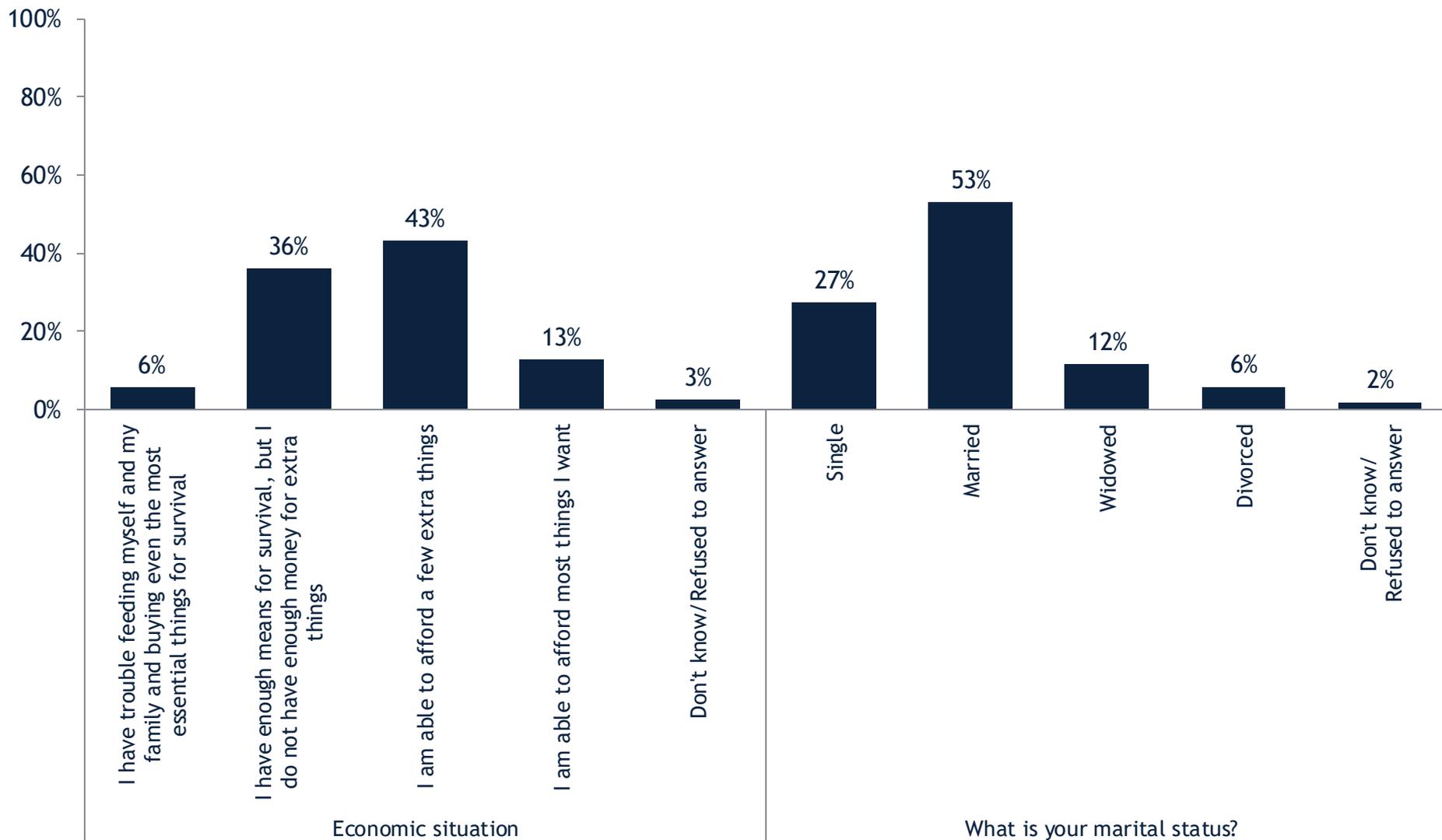
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