Public Opinion Survey: Residents of Armenia

June 2022



Detailed Methodology

- The survey was conducted on behalf of International Republican Institute's <u>Center for</u> <u>Insights in Survey Research</u> by <u>CRRC-Armenia</u>.
- Data was collected via computer assisted telephone interviews (CATI) throughout Armenia between June 10 and June 21, 2022, via automatized Random Digit Dialing (RDD) with stratification by mobile operators according to their market shares. While numbers were drawn at random, quotas were used for settlement based on the 2011 census of Armenia. For the second half of fieldwork, soft quotas for mobile operators were added.
- The sample consisted of 1,499 residents of Armenia with access to mobile phones, aged 18 and older.
 - Some slides feature trend data based the <u>April-May 2021 Armenia survey</u> (n=1,203 residents of Armenia aged 18 and older.) While the same sampling approach has been used for the 2021 and 2022 surveys, the 2021 sample was weighted for gender, age, settlement type, and region according to data from the National Statistical Service of Armenia (NSS) as of January 2020.
- The response rate was 22 percent.
- The margin of error does not exceed plus or minus 2.5 percentage points for the full sample.
- Charts and graphs may not add up to 100 percent due to rounding.
- Datapoints for the June 2022 poll are unweighted.
- The survey was funded by the U.S. Agency for International Development.

Frequently Cited Disaggregated Bases

Disaggregate	Disaggregation Category	Base
	18-35 years old	n=484
Age groups	36-55 years old	n=530
	56+ years old	n=485
Condor	Male	n=740
Gender	Female	n=759
	Yerevan	n=522
Community type	Urban	n=431
	Rural	n=534
	Incomplete higher or less	n=966
Education	Complete university/Higher	n=523

Frequently Cited Disaggregated Bases

Disaggregate	Disaggregation Category	Base
Political party preference*	Civil Contract	n=376
	Armenia Alliance/Armenian Revolutionary Federations	n=115
	None	n=226
	I would not vote	n=382
First mention, most trustworthy media outlets as sources for political information***	Public TV	n=222
	Shant	n=109
	Armenia TV	n=108
	Yerkir Media**	n=39
Household income†	Food insecure income	n=193
	Subsistence income	n=370
	Adequate income	n=658
	Secure income	n=233

*Respondents were asked: Please tell me which political party or alliance, if any, would you vote for if national parliamentary elections were held next Sunday?

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***Respondents were asked: Which specific media outlets, such as a specific TV channel, radio station, newspaper, website, social media network, etc. do you consider most trustworthy for political information?

†Respondents were asked "Which statement best describes your household's current economic situation?" The possible answers presented were: "We do not have enough money even for food" (Food insecure income); 2. "We have enough money for food, but have difficulties buying clothes (Subsistence income); 3. "We have money for food and clothes, we can save some, but we do not have enough money to buy expensive items" (Adequate Income); 4. "We can afford some expensive things like a car, but not an apartment or a country house" (Secure Income); and 5. "We can afford anything we want including an apartment or a country house" (Secure Income).

Frequently Cited Disaggregate Bases

Disaggregate	Disaggregation Category	Base
	Yerevan	n=522
	Ararat	n=140
	Armavir	n=133
	Aragatsotn	n=68
Marz*	Lori	n=93
	Tavush	n=69
	Shirak	n=151
	Gegharkunik	n=89
	Vayots dzor**	n=32
	Syunik	n=63
	Kotayk	n=129

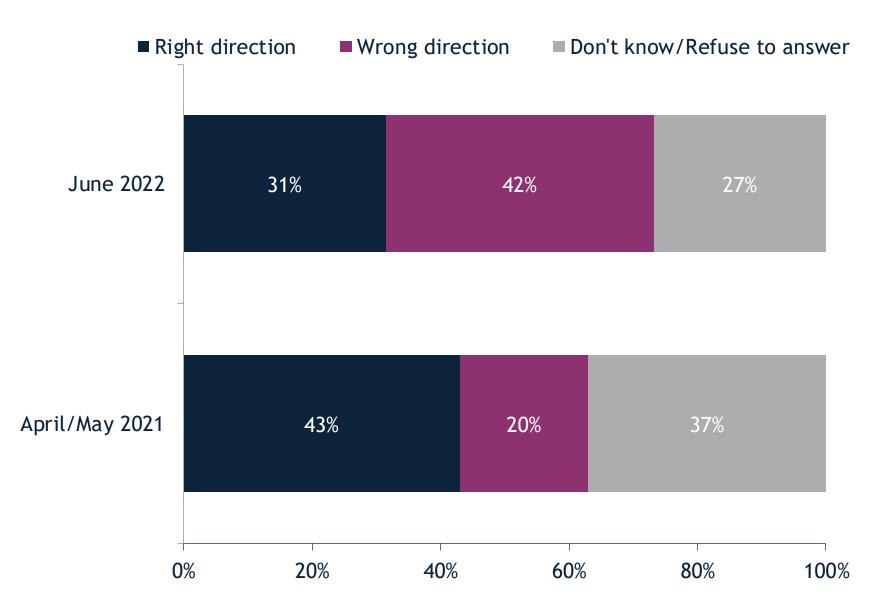
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General Outlook

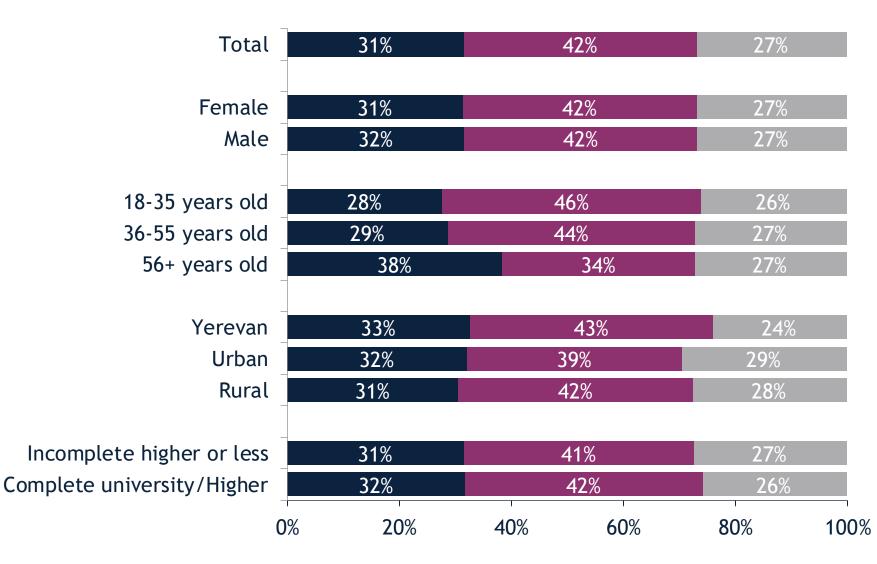


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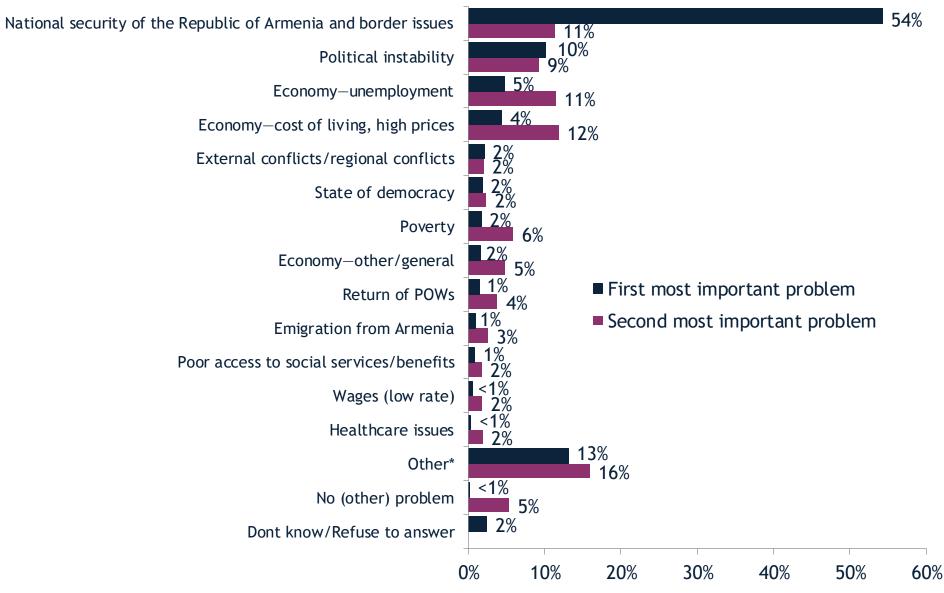


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What is the most important problem facing our country? And what is the second most important problem? (Spontaneous response)

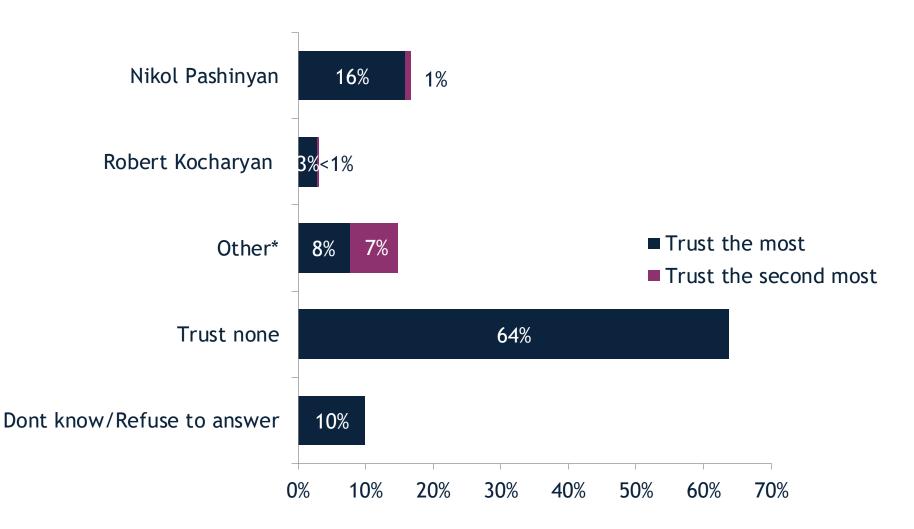


*Total mentions less than 2% are combined into "Other."

Attitudes towards politicians and political institutions



Which politician or public person do you trust the most? And the second most? (Spontaneous response)



* Mentions less than 2% have been merged into "Other."

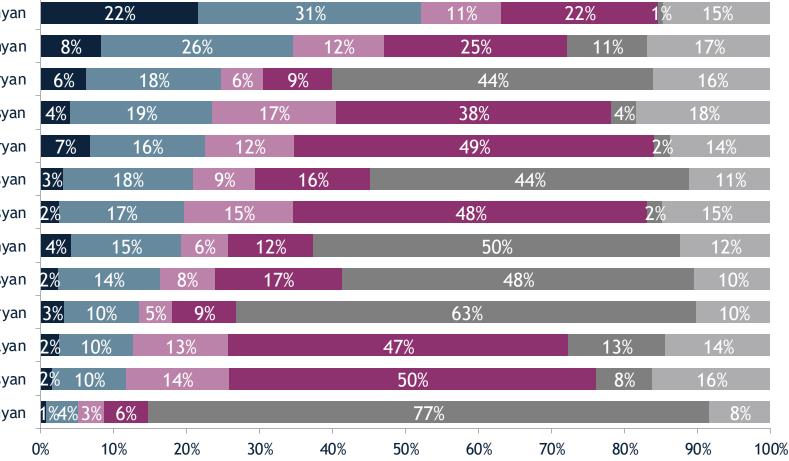
I will read you a list of names. For each, please tell me if you have a highly favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable or highly unfavorable opinion of this individual. If you have not heard of this person, please tell me.

Highly favorable

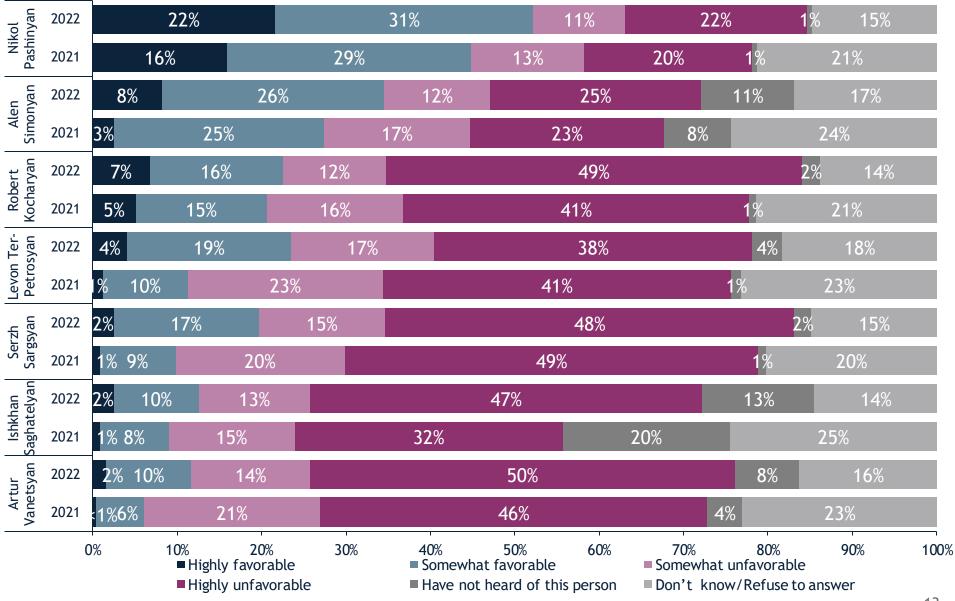
Highly unfavorable

Nikol Pashinvan Alen Simonyan Vahagn Khachaturyan Levon Ter Petrosyan Robert Kocharvan Anahit Avanesvan Serzh Sargsyan Ruben Rubinyan Taguhi Tovmasyan Nazeli Baghdasaryan Ishkhan Saghatelyan Artur Vanetsvan Heriknaz Tigranyan

- Somewhat favorableHave not heard of this person
- Somewhat unfavorable
- Don't know/Refuse to answer

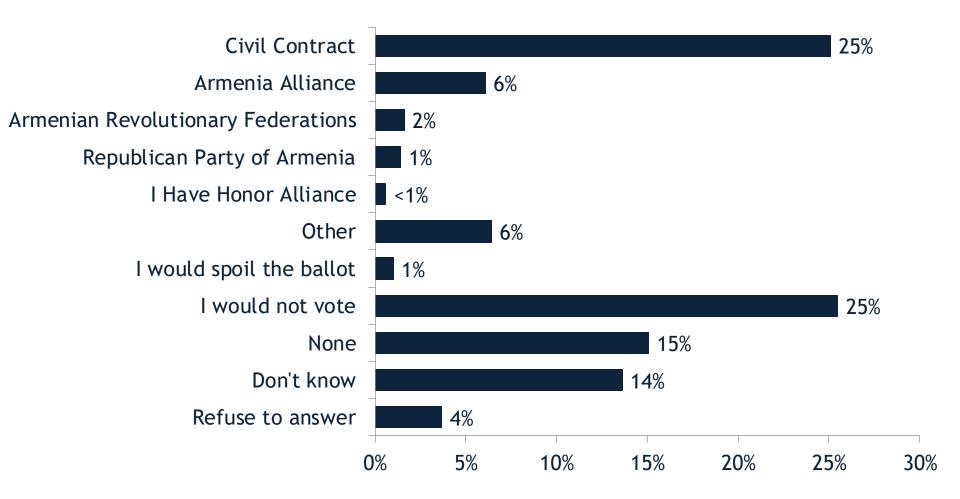


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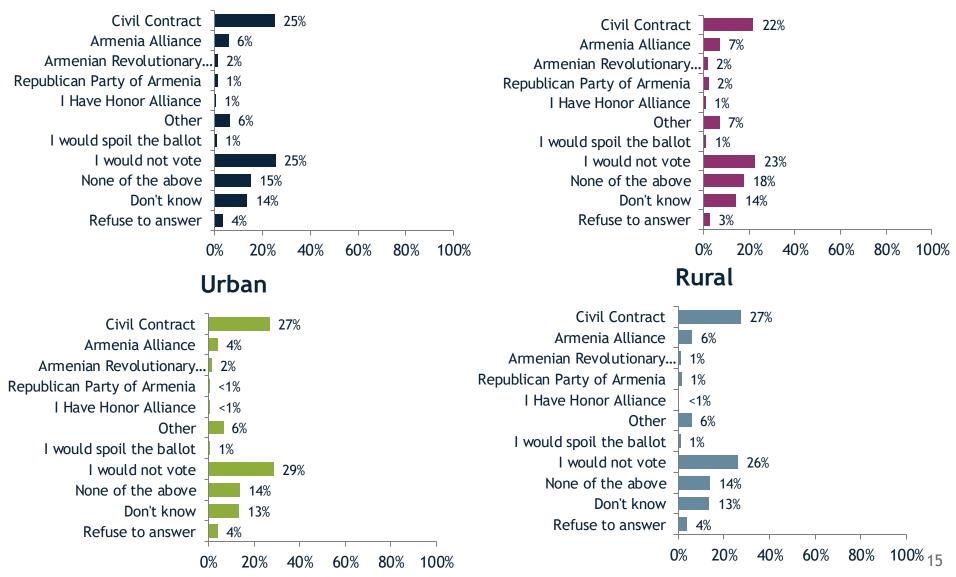
The 2021 poll refers to the April/May 2021 IRI poll in Armenia.

Please tell me which political party or alliance, if any, you would vote for if national parliamentary elections were held next Sunday. (Spontaneous response)



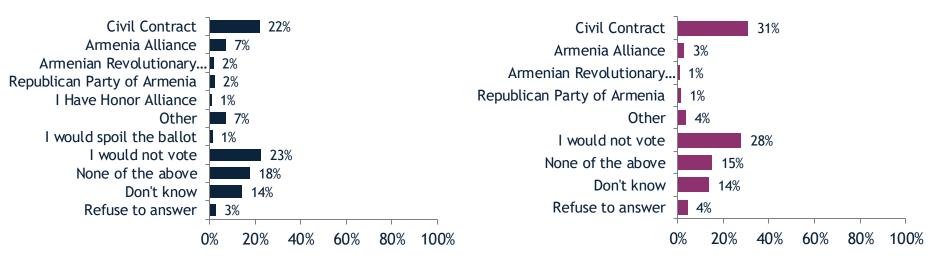
Please tell me which political party or alliance, if any, you would vote for if national parliamentary elections were held next Sunday? (Spontaneous response) All respondents

Yerevan



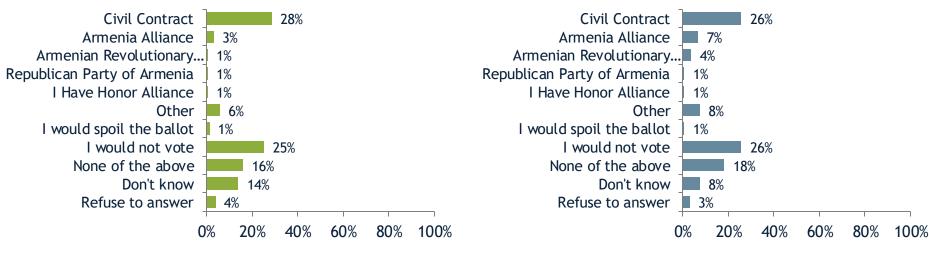
Please tell me which political party or alliance, if any, you would vote for if national parliamentary elections were held next Sunday?

(Spontaneous response; disaggregated by marz* - 1/3) Yerevan Ararat





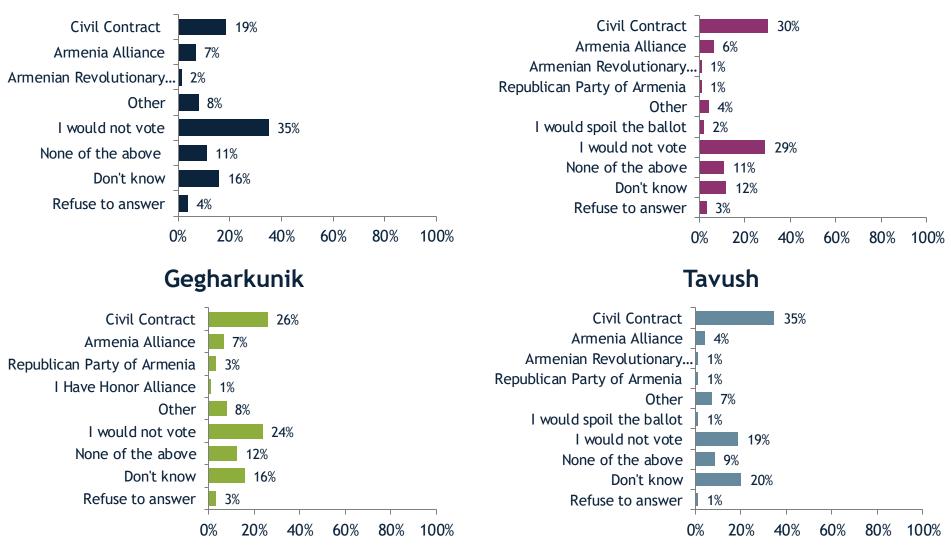




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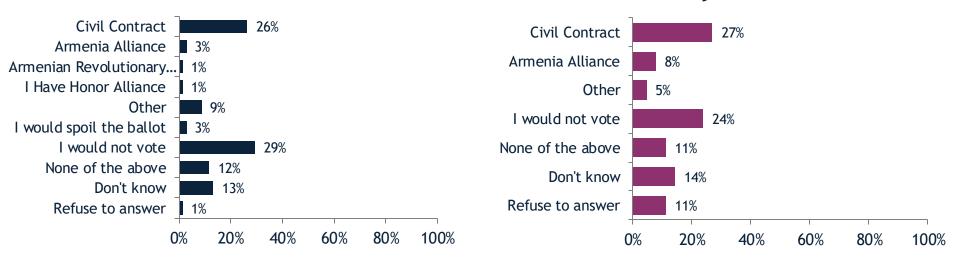
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(Spontaneous response; disaggregated by marz* - 2/3) Kotayk Lori

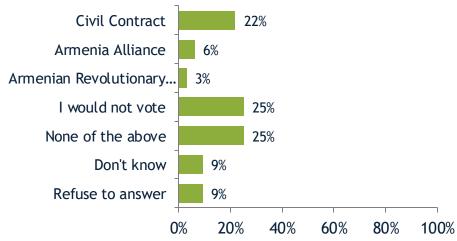


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Please tell me which political party or alliance, if any, you would vote for if national parliamentary elections were held next Sunday? (Spontaneous response; disaggregated by marz* - 3/3) Aragatsotn Syunik



Vayots Dzor**



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Please tell me which political party or alliance, if any, you would vote for if national parliamentary elections were held next Sunday?

(Spontaneous response; disaggregated by top first mentioned TV channel preferences)

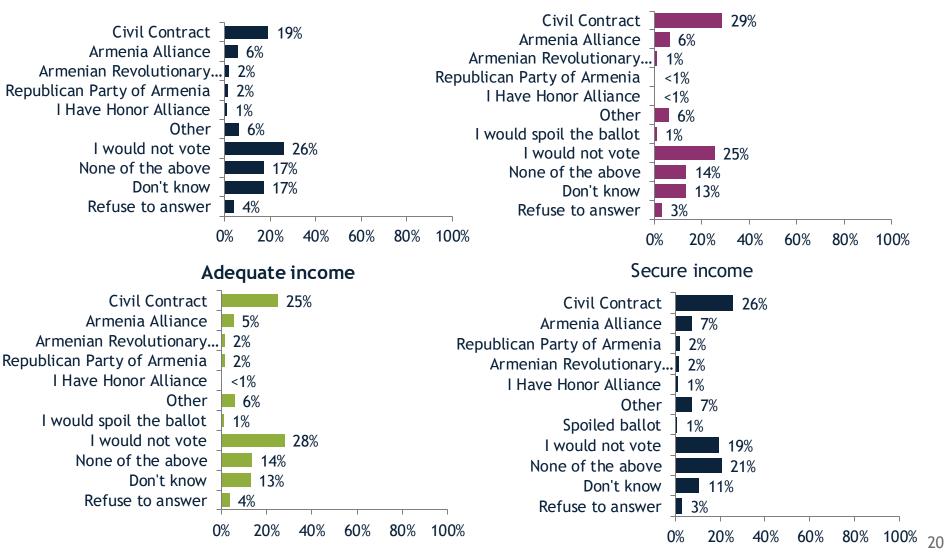
	Public TV	Shant	Armenia TV	Yerkir Media*
Civil Contract	50%	34%	23%	8%
Armenian Revolutionary Federations	1%	1%	2%	8%
Armenia Alliance	1%	1%	7%	44%
Republican Party of Armenia	1%	3%	3%	-
I Have Honor Alliance	1%	-	-	3%
Other	7%	8%	6%	3%
None of the above	12%	9 %	17%	-
I would spoil the ballot		2%	1%	-
I would not vote	17%	21%	15%	15%
Don't know	9 %	16%	20%	15%
Refuse to answer	2%	6%	6%	5%

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Please tell me which political party or alliance, if any, you would vote for if national parliamentary elections were held next Sunday? (Spontaneous response; disaggregated by household economic situation)

Food insecure income

Subsistence income



How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the work of the following government ministries?

Somewhat satisfied

Very satisfied

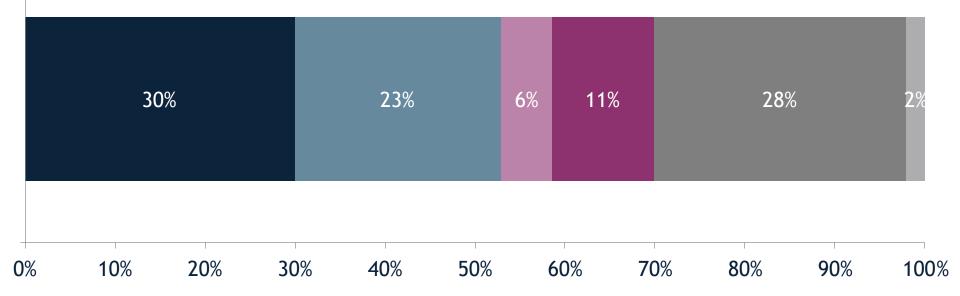
 Somewhat dissatisfied I am not familiar with the work of this Ministry 		-	ssatisfied now/Refu	ise to ans	wor		
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Ministry of Emergency Situations	2	5%	37	%	5% 9 %	18%	6%
Ministry of Health	12%		36%	13%	27%	0	8% 4%
Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport	9 %	342	%	14%	26%	13	% 5%
Ministry of Defense	9 %	30%	1	4%	27%	12%	8%
Ministry of High-Tech Industry	10%	27%	5%	11%	41%		6%
Ministry of Foreign Affairs	7%	29 %	10%	6 22 %		25%	7%
Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs	6%	6 30% 1		12% 21%		25%	5%
Ministry of Environment	Environment 6% 29% 9% 17%		17%	3	3%	5%	
Ministry of Finance	4%	29 %	10%	20%	3	0%	6%
Ministry of Territorial Administration and	. 6%	27%	9%	14%	38%	6	6%
Ministry of Economy	4%	27%	8%	17%	37%	/ 0	7%
Ministry of Justice	4%	25%	12%	27%		24%	7%
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Patrol Service



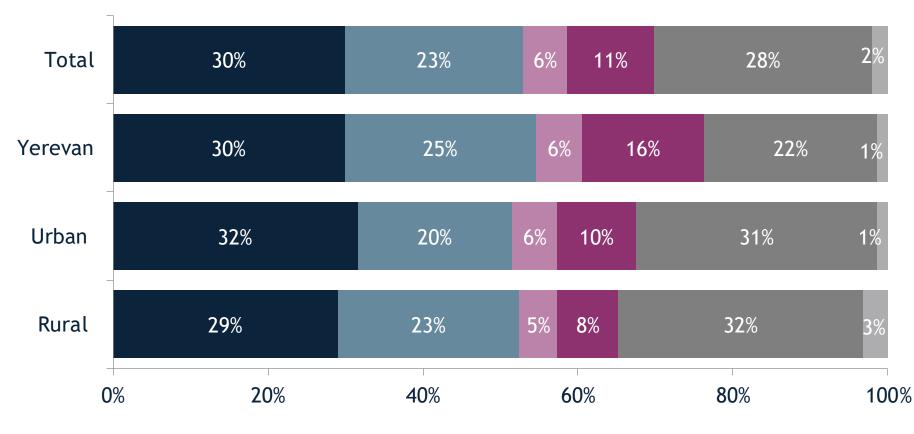
How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the work of the new patrol service of Armenian Police?

- Completely satisfied
- Somewhat satisfied
- Somewhat dissatisfied
- Completely dissatisfied
- I have not experienced this new patrol service
- Don't know/Refuse to answer



How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the work of the new patrol service of Armenian Police?

- Completely satisfied Somewhat dissatisfied ■ I have not experienced this new patrol service ■ Don't know/Refuse to answer
 - Somewhat satisfied
 - Completely dissatisfied



How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the work of the new patrol service of Armenian Police? (Disaggregated by marz*)

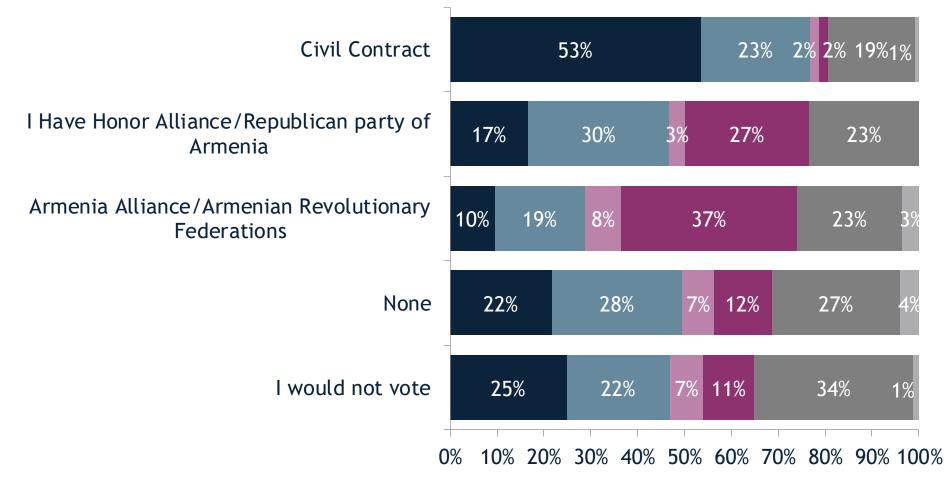
- Completely satisfied
- Somewhat dissatisfied
- I have not experienced this new patrol service
- Somewhat satisfied
- Completely dissatisfied
- Don't know/Refuse to answer

Lori	5			17	%	6%	5%	19 %		
Shirak	40%			26	%		5% 1	1%	16%	2%
Ararat	31%		25%		4%	6%		31%		2%
Yerevan	30%		25%		6%		16%		22%	1%
Aragatsotn	32%		21%		6%	9 %		26%		6%
Armavir	24%	2	23%	4%	13%			35%		2%
Kotayk	24%	2	23%	6%	9 %			36%		2%
Vayoc dzor	25%		22%	3% 9	9%		31	%		9%
Gegharkunik	22%	18%	6%	11%			4	40%		2%
Tavush	20%	19%	6%	9 %			45	5%		1%
Syunik	21%	16%	6% 5%	5			48%			5%
0% * Marz is an administrat	10% 20% ive territorial unit in A	30% rmenia.	40%	50%	60	%	70%	80%	90%	100

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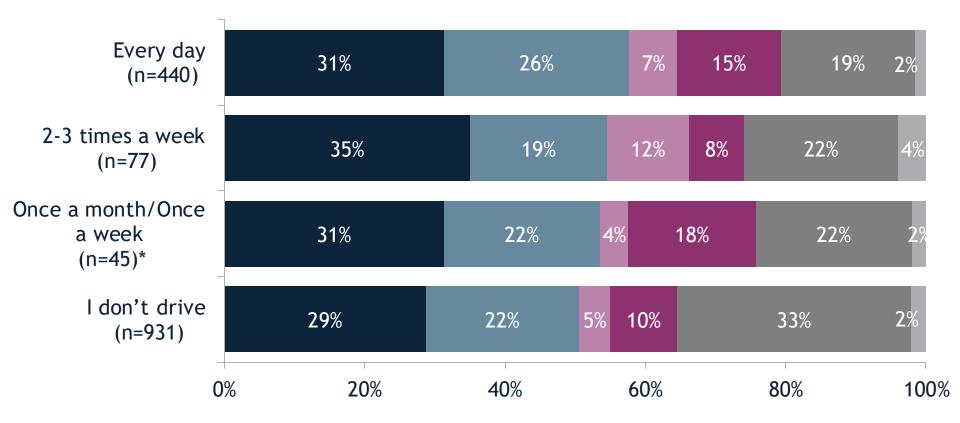
(Disaggregated by political party/alliance preferences)

- Completely satisfied
- Somewhat dissatisfied
- I have not experienced this new patrol service Don't know/Refuse to answer
- Somewhat satisfied
- Completely dissatisfied



How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the work of the new patrol service of Armenian Police? (Disaggregated by vehicle driving frequency)

- Completely satisfied Somewhat dissatisfied
- I have not experienced this new patrol service Don't know/Refuse to answer
- Somewhat satisfied
- Completely dissatisfied



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Is the new patrol service better, the same or worse than the old traffic police or state guard service? (Among those who experienced the new patrol service, n=1,078)

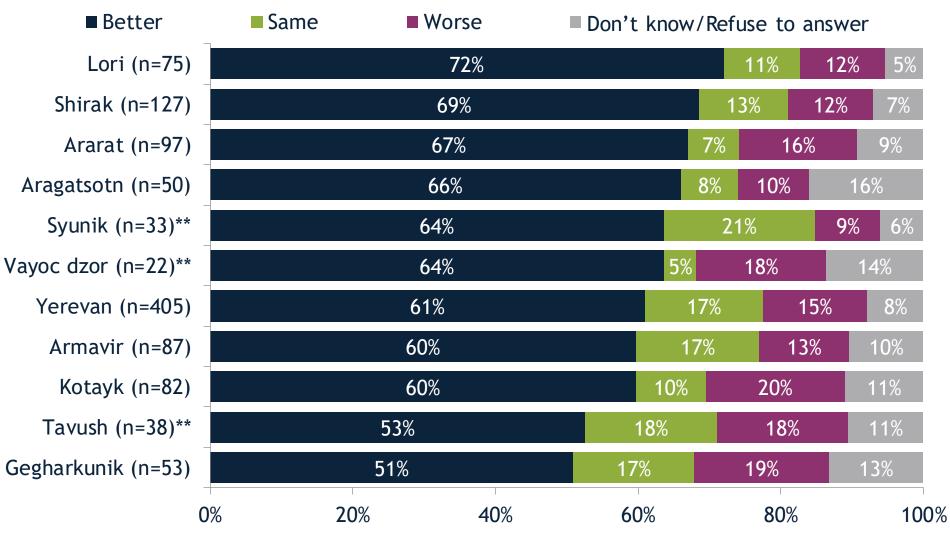
	■Better ■Sam	e ∎Worse ∎[Don't know/Refuse to	o answer	
		52%	14%	15%	9%
0%	20%	40%	60%	80%	100%

Is the new patrol service better, the same or worse than the old traffic police or state guard service? (Among those who experienced the new patrol service)



Is the new patrol service better, the same or worse than the old traffic police or state guard service?

(Among those who experienced the new patrol service; disaggregated by marz*

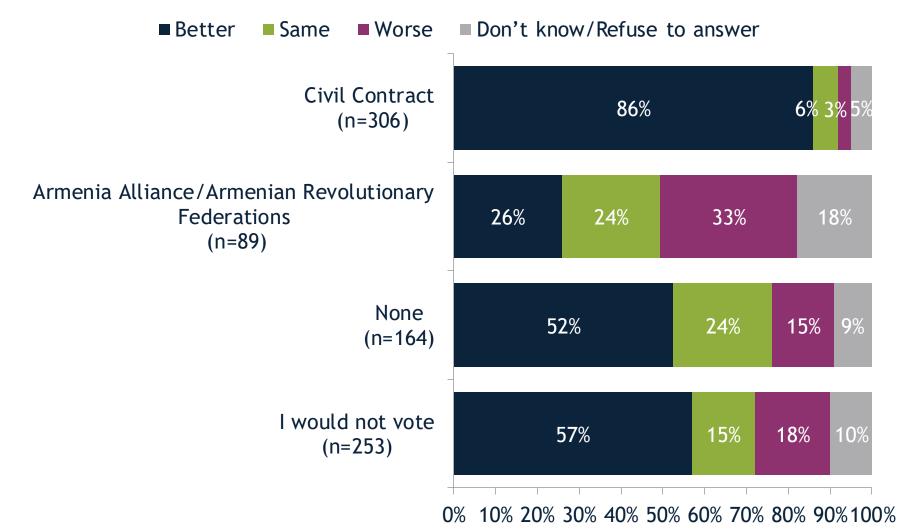


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Is the new patrol service better, the same or worse than the old traffic police or state guard service?

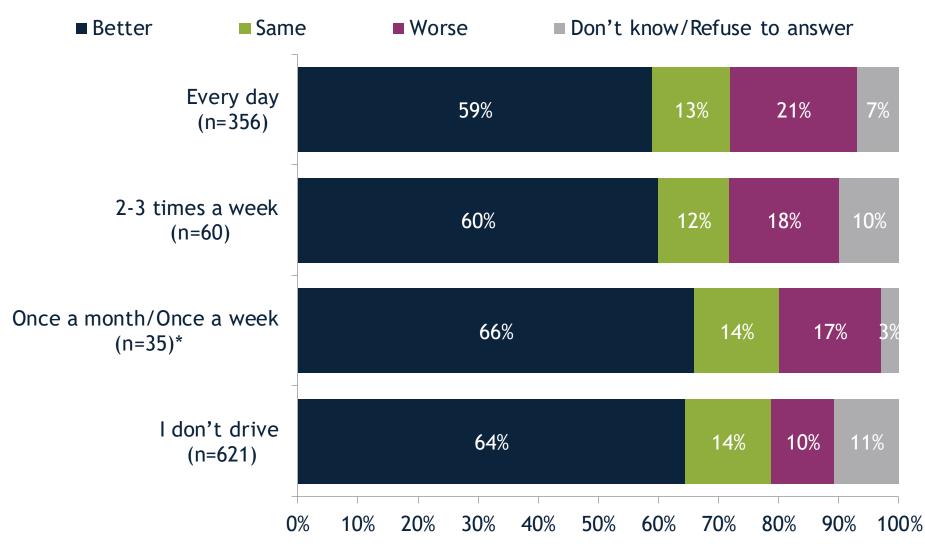
(Among those who experienced the new patrol service; disaggregated by political party/alliance preferences)



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Is the new patrol service better, the same or worse than the old traffic police or state guard service?

(Among those who experienced with the patrol service; disaggregated by vehicle driving frequency)



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Relations with Turkey



What is your opinion on the normalization of Armenia-Turkey relations?

Very positive Somewhat positive Somewhat negative Very negative Don't know/Refuse to answer Total 7% 21% 13% 11% 48% Male 7% 21% 9% 51% 12% Female 6% 13% 21% 13% 46% 18-35 years old 5% 17% 14% 52% 13% 36-55 years old 7% 20% 12% 14% 48% 8% 9% 26% 11% 56+ years old 46% 9% 11% Yerevan 24% 9% 47% Urban 6% 13% 22% 14% 45% Rural 6% 14% 17% 11% 52% 0% 10% 20% 30% 40% 50% 60% 70% 80% 90% 100%

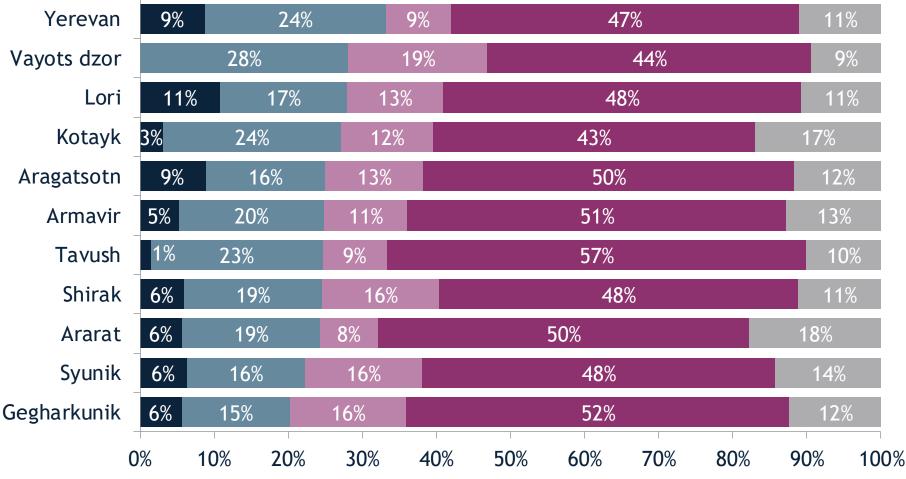
What is your opinion on the normalization of Armenia-Turkey relations?

- (Disaggregated by marz*)
- Very positive

Somewhat positive

Somewhat negative

- Very negative
- Don't know/Refuse to answer



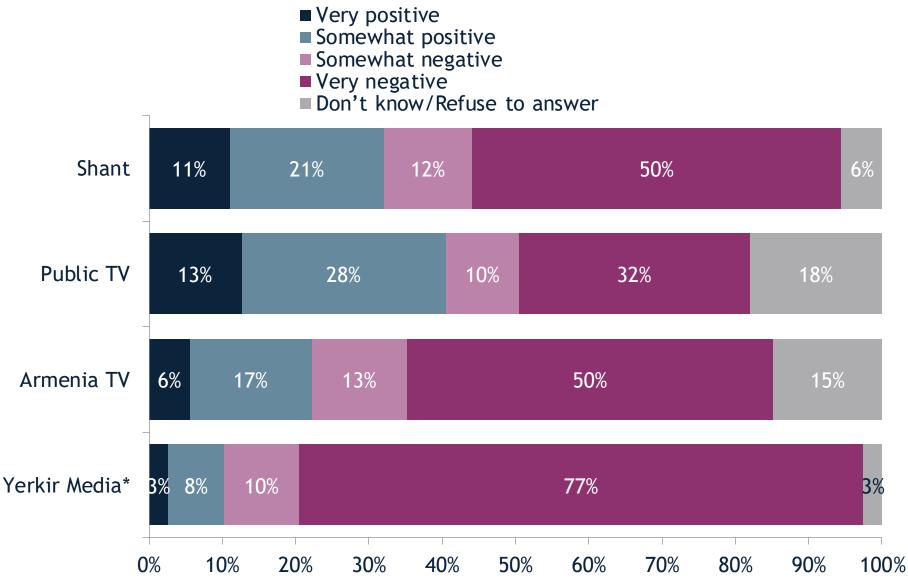
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What is your opinion on the normalization of Armenia-Turkey relations? (Disaggregated by political party/alliance preferences) ■ Very positive Somewhat positive Somewhat negative Very negative Don't know/Refuse to answer **Civil Contract** 11% 13% 30% 32% 14% Armenia Alliance/Armenian 2% 10% 5% 79% **Revolutionary Federations** None 4% 15% 10% 12% 58% I would not vote 6% 17% 12% 52% 12% 0% 80% 20% 40% **60**% 100%

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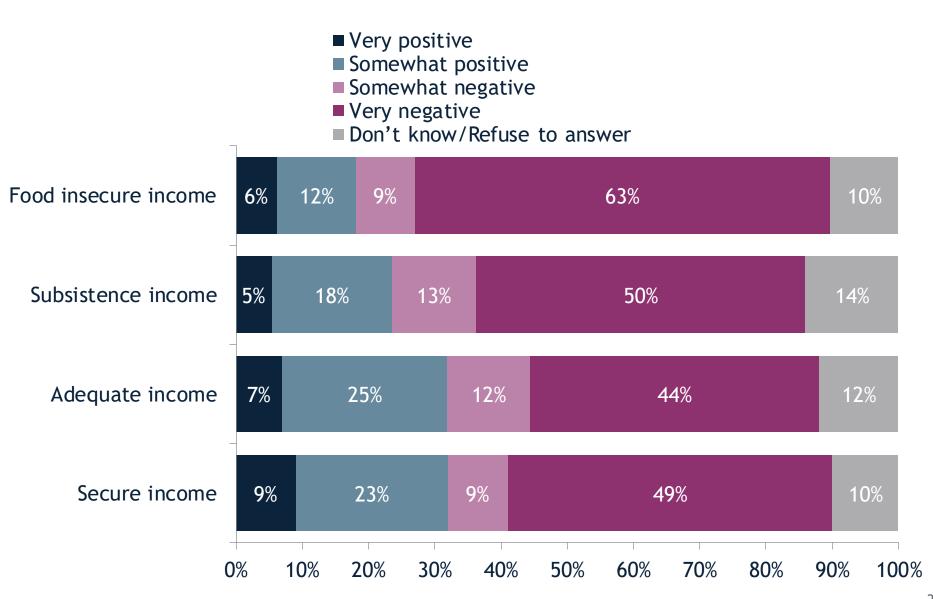
(Disaggregated by top first mentioned TV channel preferences)



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What is your opinion on the normalization of Armenia-Turkey relations?

(Disaggregated by household economic situation)



What is your opinion on the normalization of Armenia-Turkey relations?

(Disaggregated by educational attainment)



In your opinion, how would the opening of the border with Turkey impact the economic development of Armenia now and in ten years?

Very positive

- Somewhat negative
- It will not have any impact

Somewhat positive

Very negative

Don't know/Refused to answer

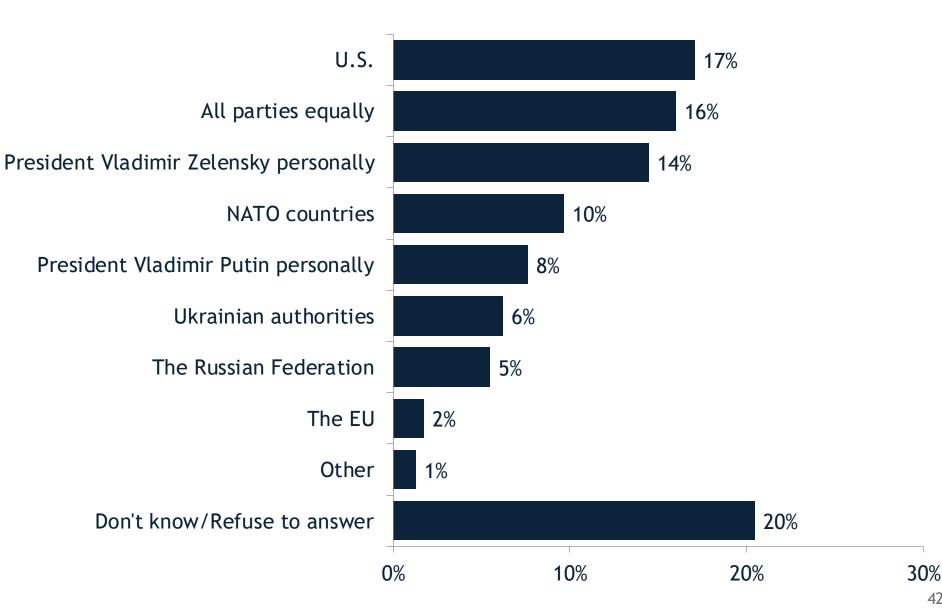


In ten years

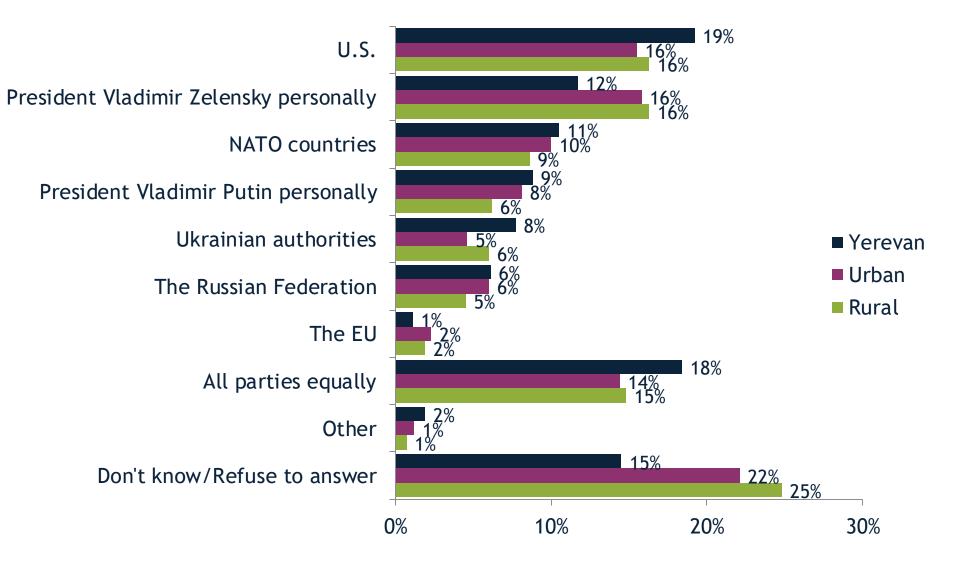
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Perceptions of War in Ukraine









(Disaggregated by political party/alliance preferences)

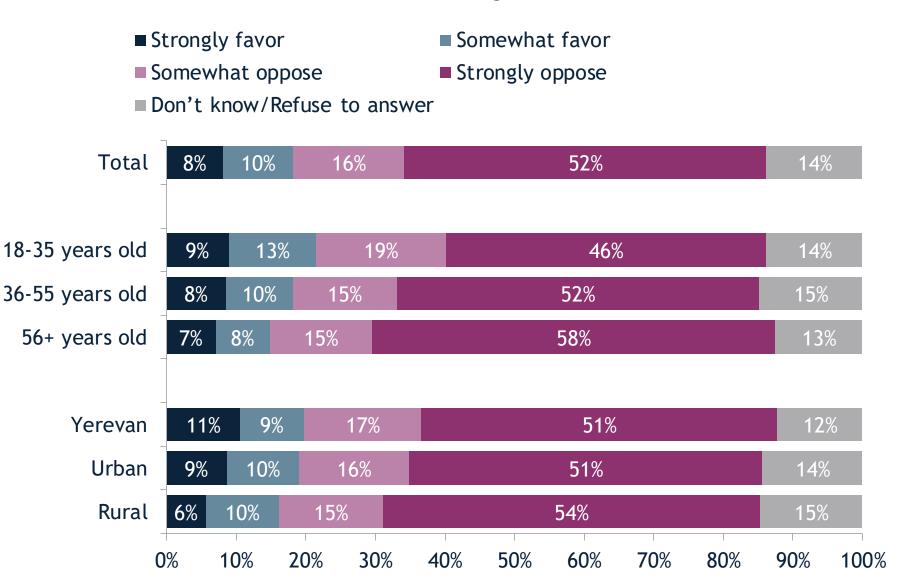
	Civil Contract	Armenia Alliance/ Armenian Revolutionary Federations	None	l would not vote
U.S.	15%	27%	17%	17%
NATO countries	9 %	13%	14%	8%
Ukrainian authorities	6%	9 %	5%	7%
The Russian Federation	7%	3%	7%	4%
President Vladimir Putin personally	7%	4%	7%	7%
President Vladimir Zelensky personally	16%	21%	8%	14%
The EU	2%	3%	1%	1%
All parties equally	18%	5%	21 %	16%
Other	1%	2%	1%	2%
Don't know/Refuse to answer	17%	14%	1 9 %	24%

(Disaggregated by top first mentioned TV channel preferences)

	Public TV	Shant		Yerkir Media*
U.S.	19 %	12%	12%	28%
NATO countries	9 %	8%	9 %	10%
Ukrainian authorities	3%	6%	8%	15%
The Russian Federation	7%	11%	4%	3%
	10%	11%	10%	3%
President Vladimir Putin personally				
	15%	15%	20%	18%
President Vladimir Zelensky personally				
The EU	<1%	4%	1%	-
All parties equally	18%	16%	8%	3%
Other	1%	1%	1%	-
Don't know/Refuse to answer	18%	17%	26%	21%

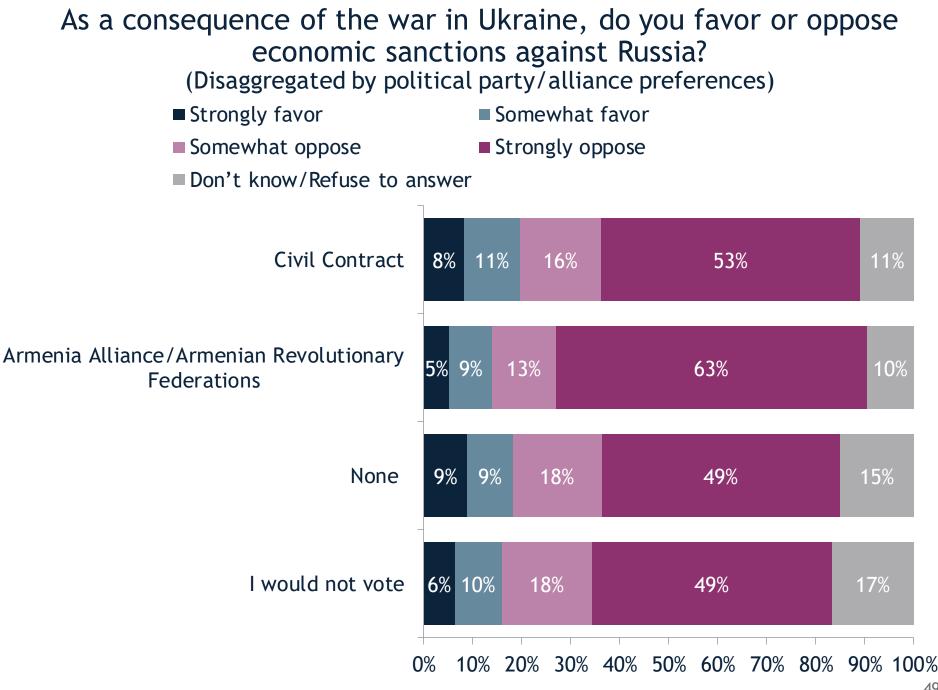
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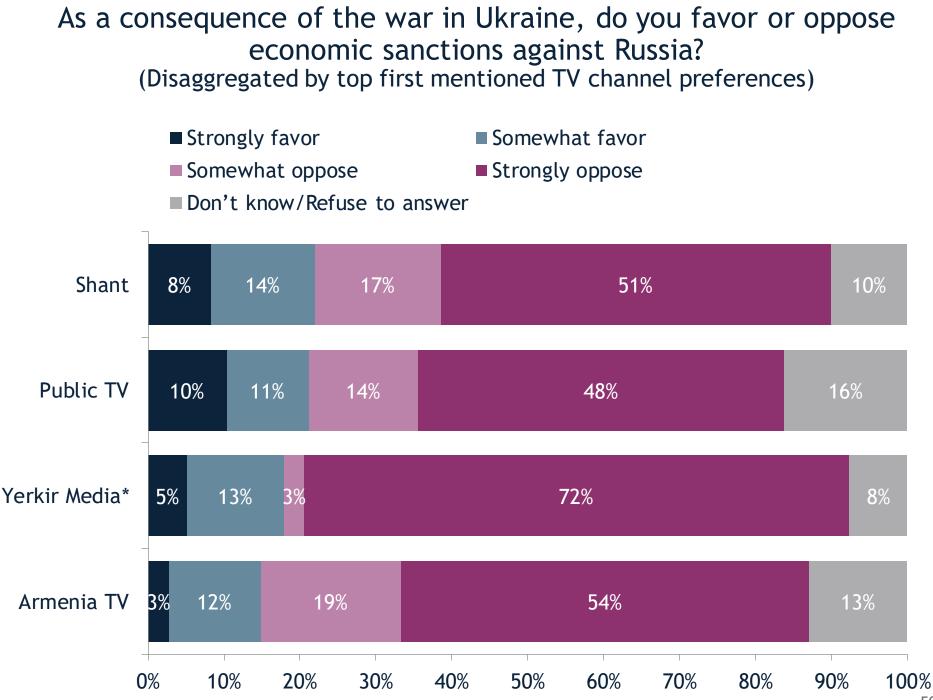
As a consequence of the war in Ukraine, do you favor or oppose economic sanctions against Russia?



As a consequence of the war in Ukraine, do you favor or oppose economic sanctions against Russia? (Disaggregated by marz*) Somewhat favor Strongly favor Somewhat oppose Strongly oppose Don't know/Refuse to answer Syunik 13% 14% 14% 21% 38% 11% Yerevan 9% 17% 51% 12% **9**% 9% 18% 21% Aragatsotn 44% 9% 12% Lori 12% 17% 51% Shirak 8% 15% 17% 53% 7% Kotayk 6% 12% 16% 50% 16% Armavir 6% 7% 11% 17% **59**% 8% 16% Ararat 6% 12% 58% Gegharkunik 6% 7% 18% 55% 15% 4% 9% Tavush 12% 58% 17% Vayoc dzor 3% 16% 19% 16% 47% 70% 0% 10% 20% 40% 50% **60**% 80% 90% 100% 30%

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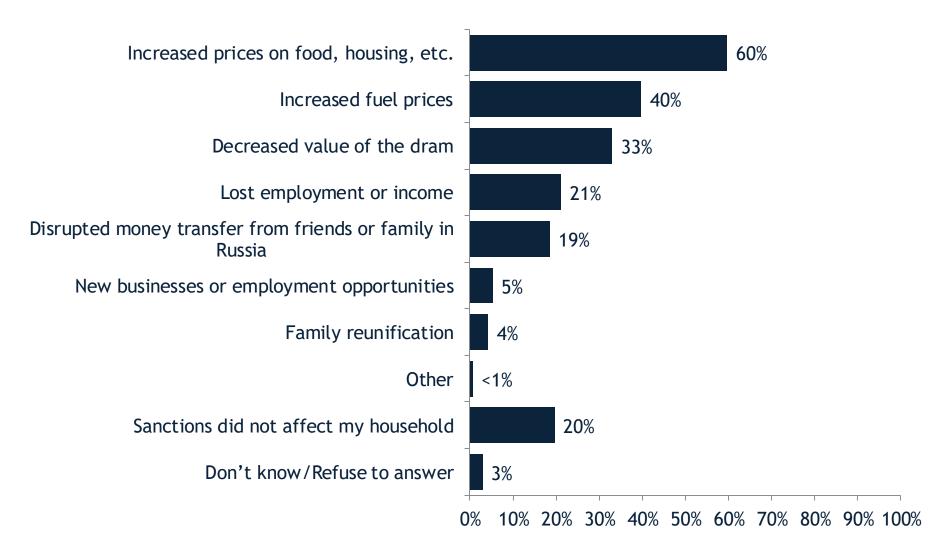




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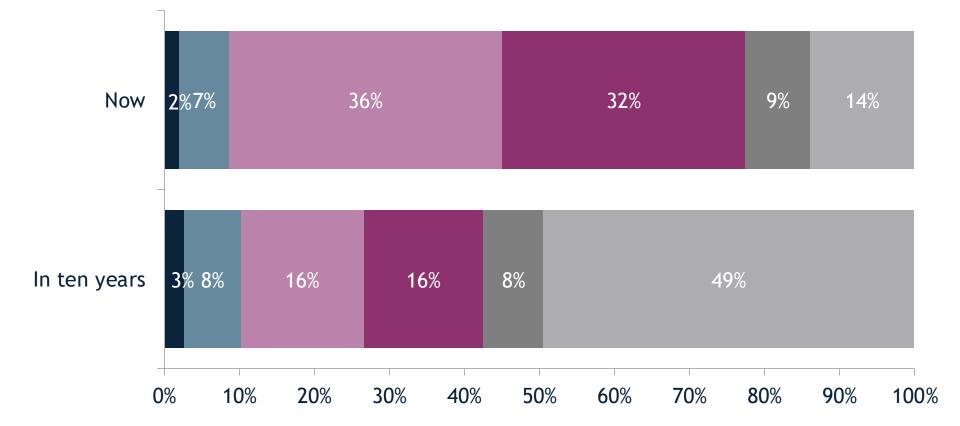
In which areas, if any, do you believe sanctions have impacted your household? Please indicate all options that you believe are true for you or your household. (Multiple responses accepted)



In your opinion, how will the war in Ukraine impact the economic situation in Armenia now and in 10 years?

- Very positive
- Somewhat negative
- It will not have any impact

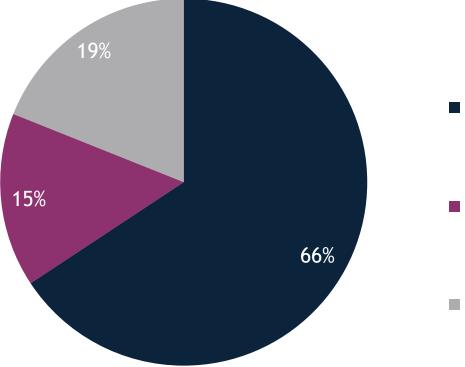
- Somewhat positive
- Very negative
- Don't know/Refuse to answer



System of Governance and Constitution



In your opinion, is there currently a need for constitutional reforms in Armenia?



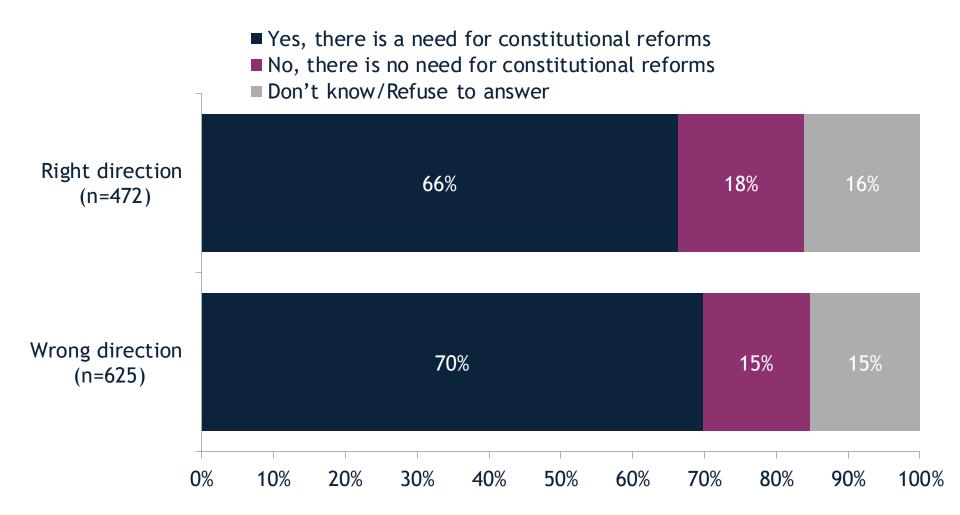
Yes, there is a need for constitutional reforms

No, there is no need for constitutional reforms

Don't know/Refuse to answer

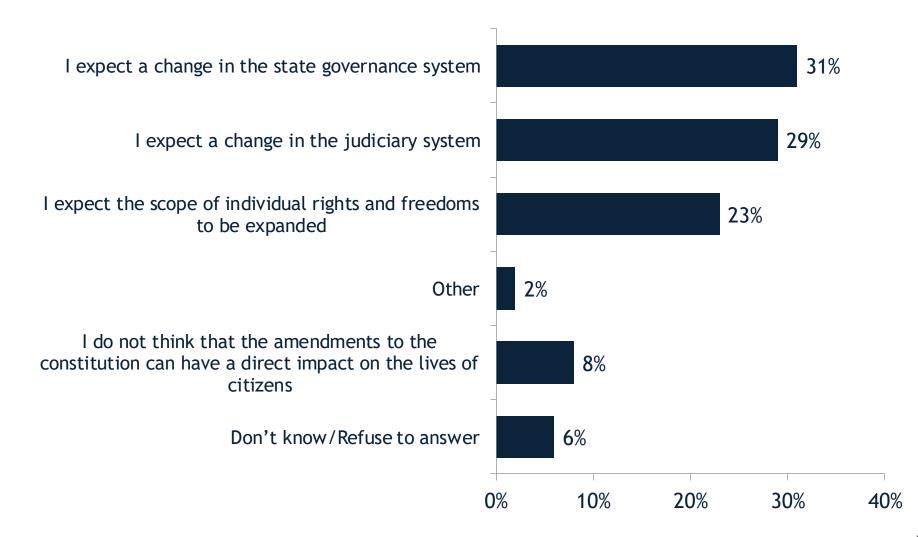
In your opinion, is there currently a need for constitutional reforms in Armenia?

(Disaggregated by the opinion whether Armenia is heading in the right or the wrong direction)

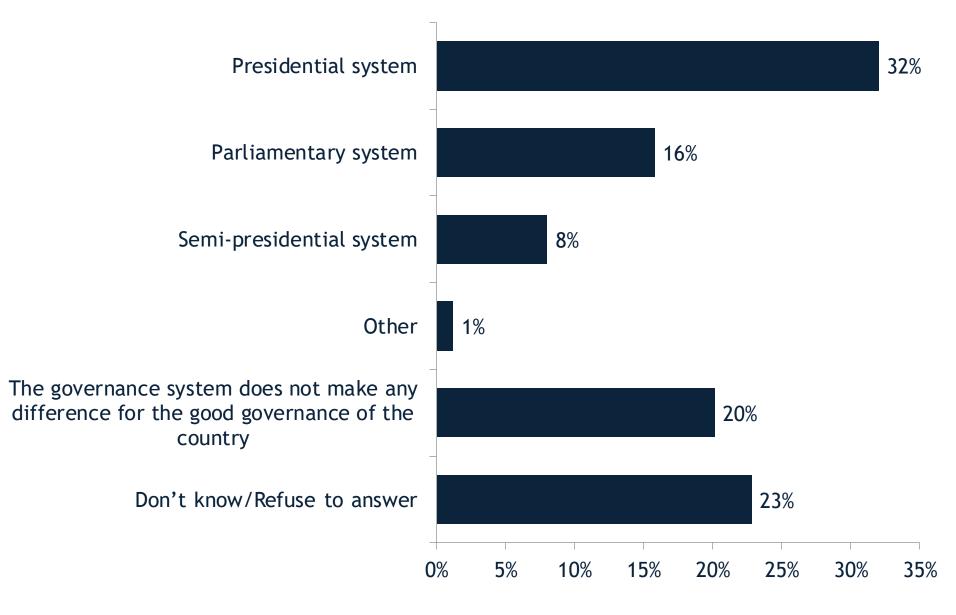


If yes, what changes do you expect in the process of constitutional reform? (Among those who said there is a need for constitutional reforms,

n=985;multiple responses accepted)



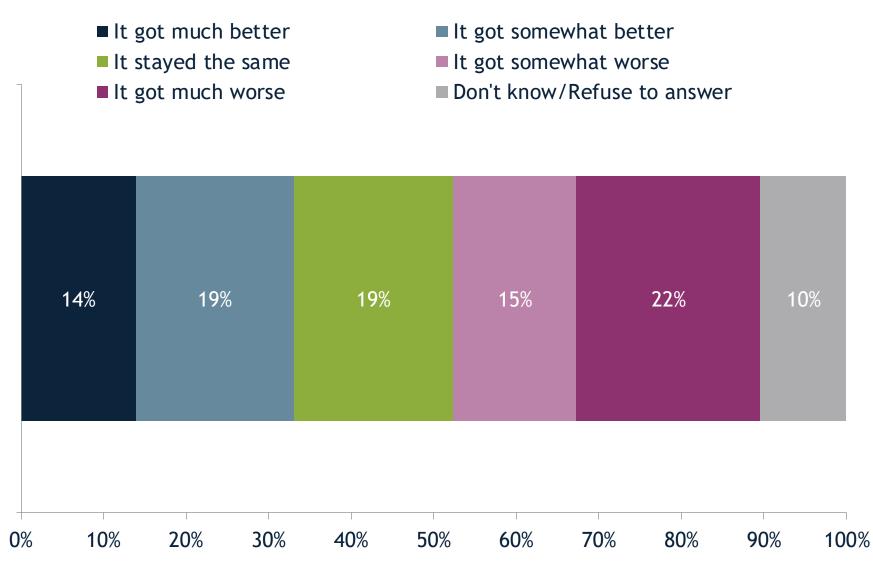
In your opinion, which system of governance is best for Armenia?



Media and Sources of Information



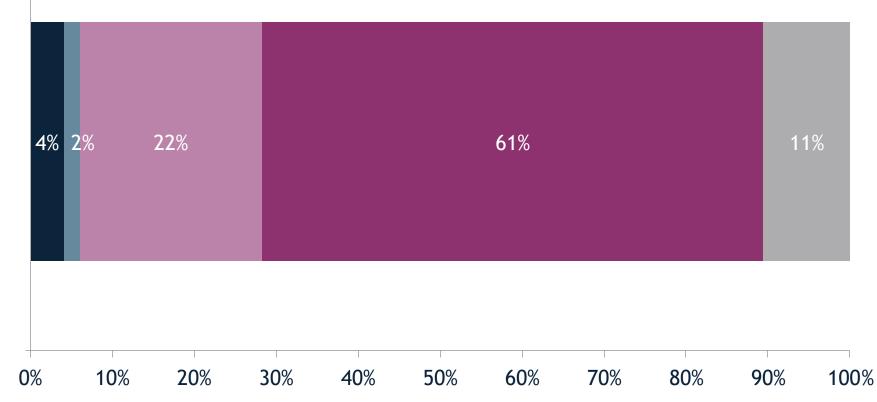
Do you think freedom of media got better, worse or stayed the same over the past year?



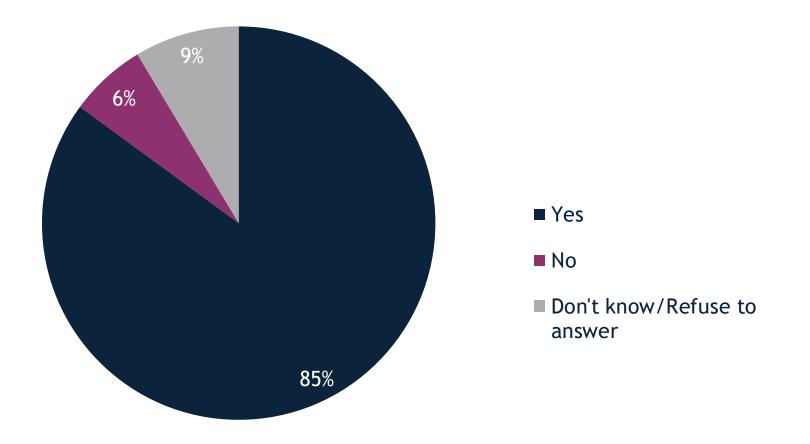
To what extent is disinformation in the media problematic for our country?

Very unproblematic
Somewhat problematic
Don't know/Refuse to answer

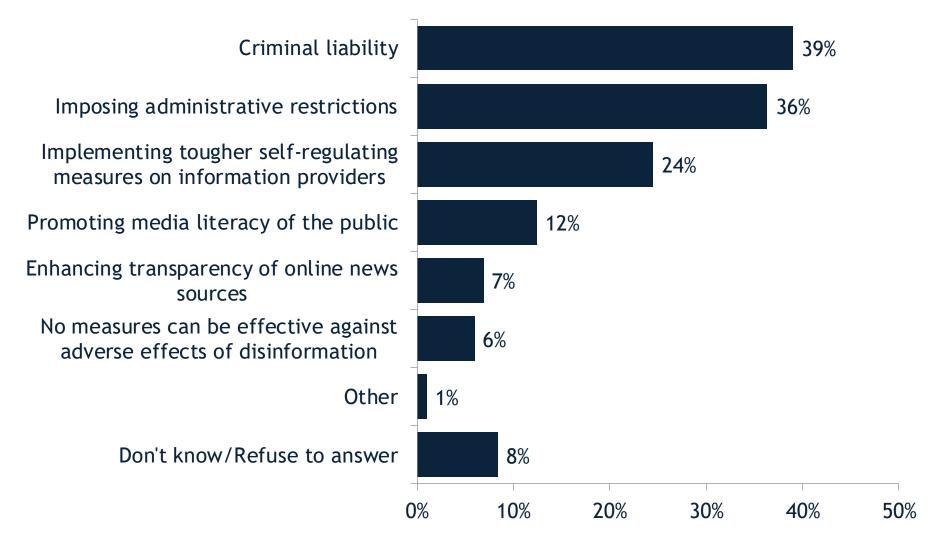
- Somewhat unproblematic
- Very problematic



Should the government take measures in tackling disinformation?

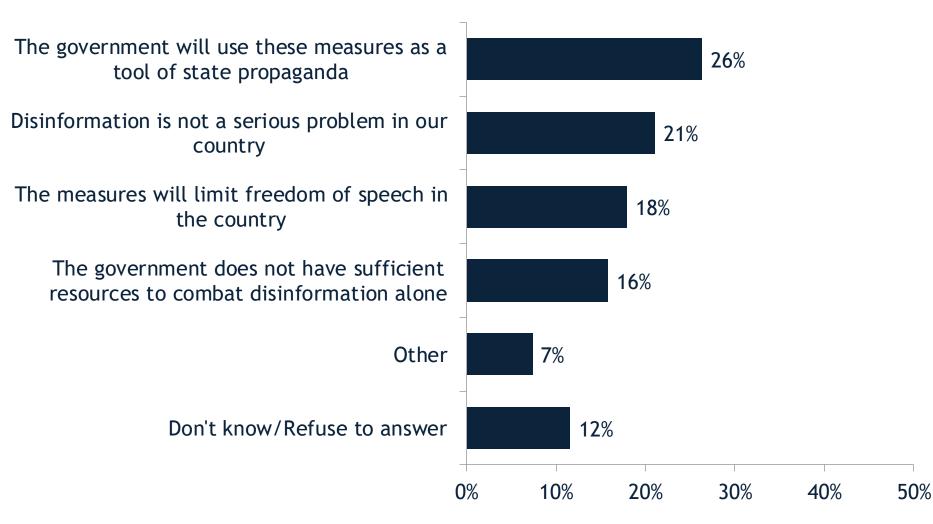


If yes, which measures of the government can be most effective in curtailing adverse effects of disinformation? (Among those who declared that the government should take measures in tackling disinformation, n=1,275; up to two responses accepted)

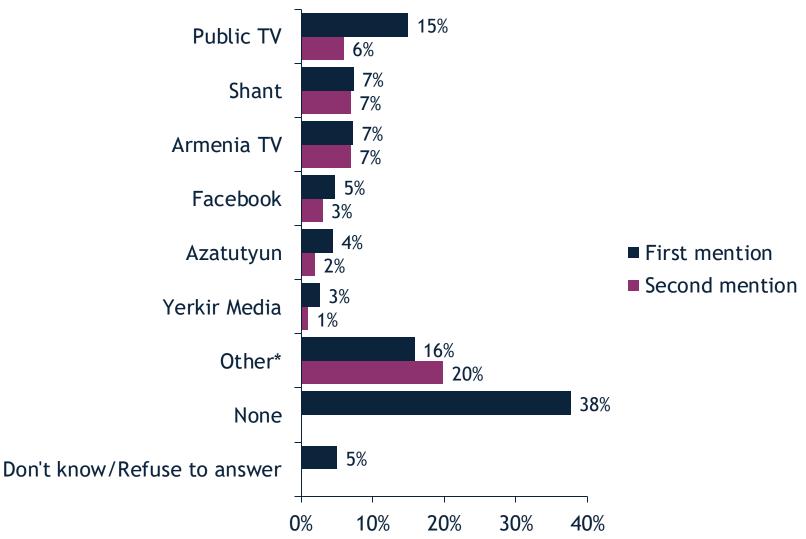


If no, what is the main reason why the government should not take measures against disinformation?

(Among those who declared that the government should take not measures in tackling disinformation, n=95)

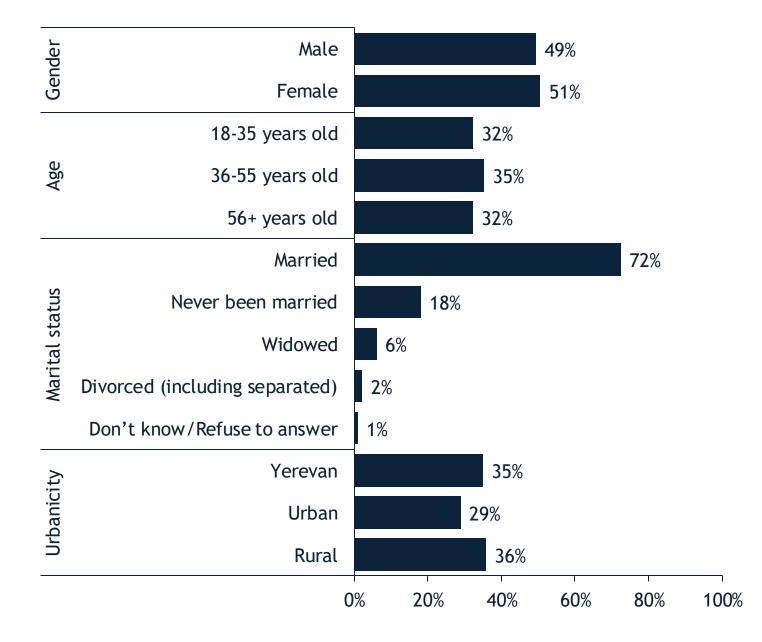


Which specific media outlets, such as a specific TV channel, radio station, newspaper, website, social media network, etc. do you consider most trustworthy for political information? (Spontaneous response; up to two responses accepted)



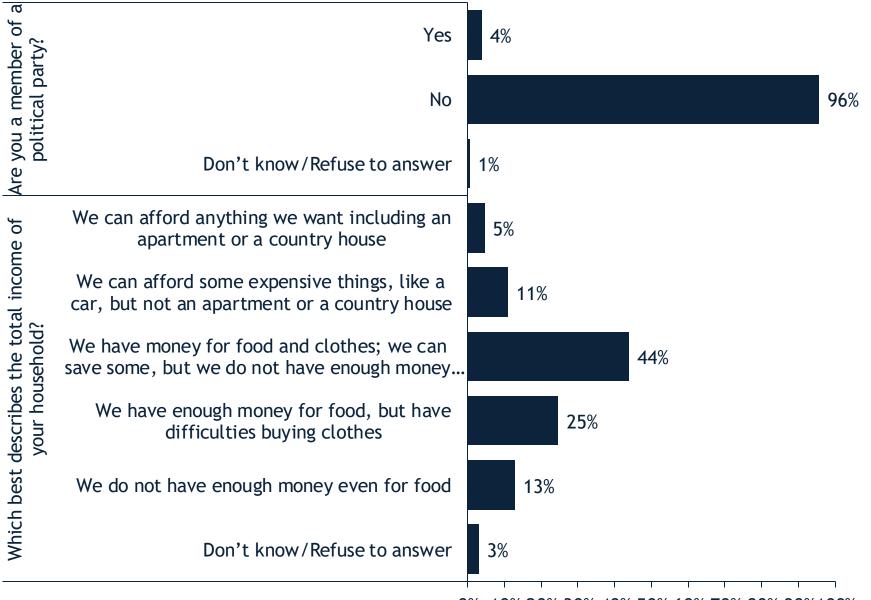
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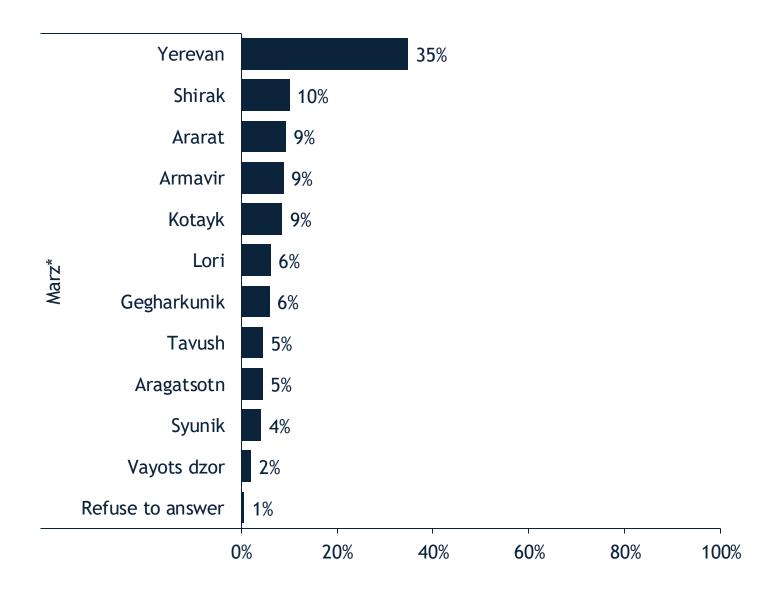


	University, higher	35%
Educational attainment	Unfinished higher	5%
	Vocational	19%
	Unfinished vocational	2%
	Secondary	35%
	Unfinished secondary	3%
	Primary	1%
	Less than completed primary	<1%
	Don't know/Refuse to answer	1%
Occupational Status	Employed in a paid job full-time	28%
	Homemaker	18%
	Retired	14%
	Self-employed full-time	14%
	Employed in a paid job part-time	6%
	Unemployed, looking for a job	5%
	Self-employed part-time	5%
	Student/pupil	3%
	Unemployed, not looking for a job	2%
	Other	3%
	Don't know/Refuse to answer	2%
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