



Public Opinion Survey Residents of Georgia

February 3-28, 2015

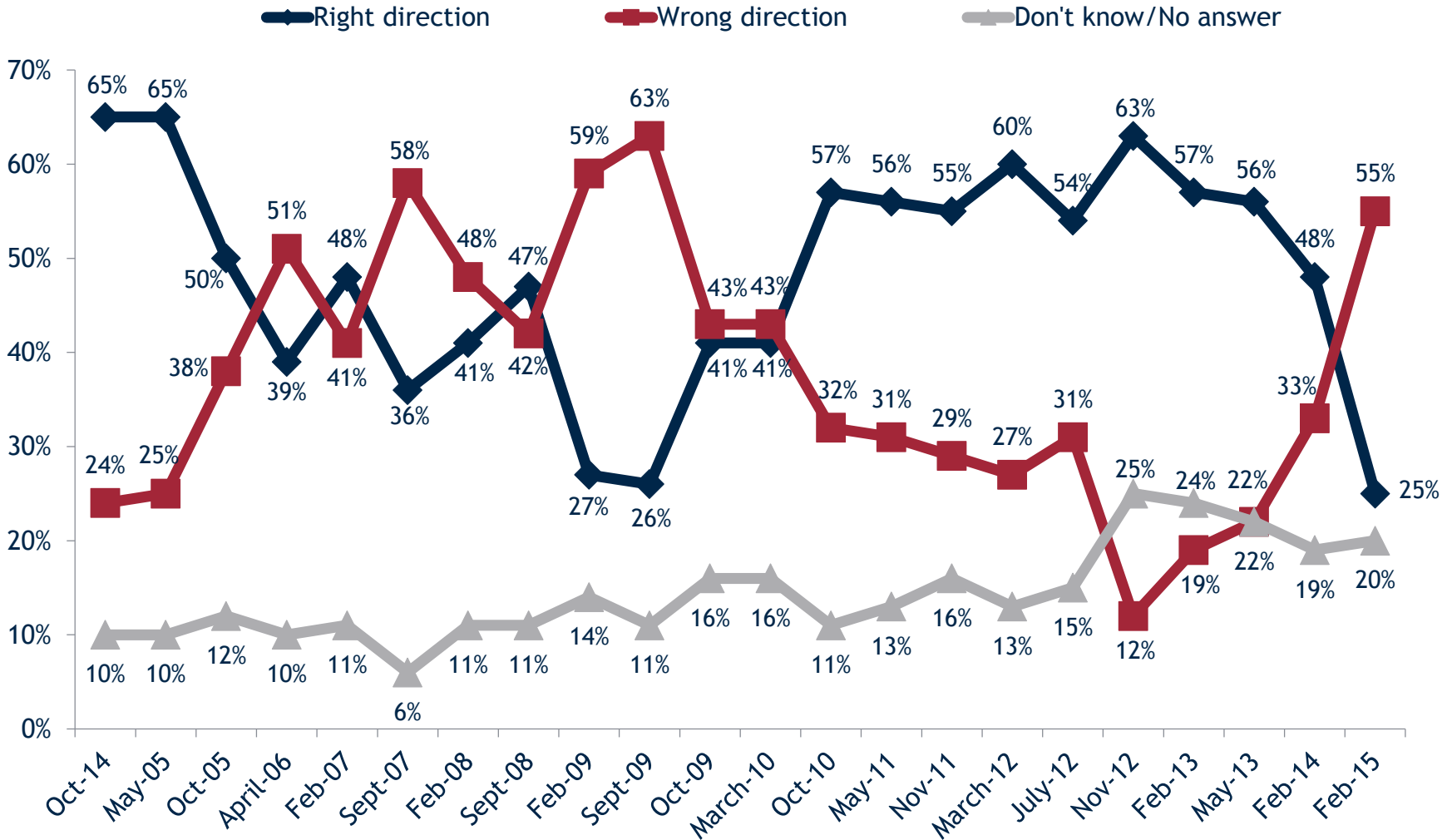
Detailed Methodology

- The survey was conducted by the Public Opinion and Market research company [Baltic Surveys/The Gallup Organization](#) on behalf of the [International Republican Institute](#). The field work was carried out by the [Institute of Polling & Marketing](#).
- Data was collected throughout Georgia February 3-28, 2015, through face-to-face interviews at respondents' homes.
- The sample consisted of 1,500 permanent residents of Georgia 18 and older who are eligible to vote. It is representative of the general population by age, gender, education, region and size of the settlement.
- Multistage probability sampling method was used with the random route and next birthday respondent's selection procedures.
 - Stage one: All districts of Georgia are grouped into 10 regions. All regions of Georgia were surveyed (with Tbilisi city as a separate region).
 - Stage two: Settlements were selected at random. The number of selected settlements in each region was proportional to the share of population living in a particular type of the settlement in each region.
 - Stage three: Primary sampling units were described.
- The margin of error does not exceed plus or minus 2.5 percent.
- Response rate was 70 percent.
- Charts and graphs may not add up to 100 percent due to rounding.
- The survey was funded by the [U.S. Agency for International Development](#).



Georgians are Less Optimistic

Generally speaking, do you think that things in Georgia are going in the right direction or wrong direction?

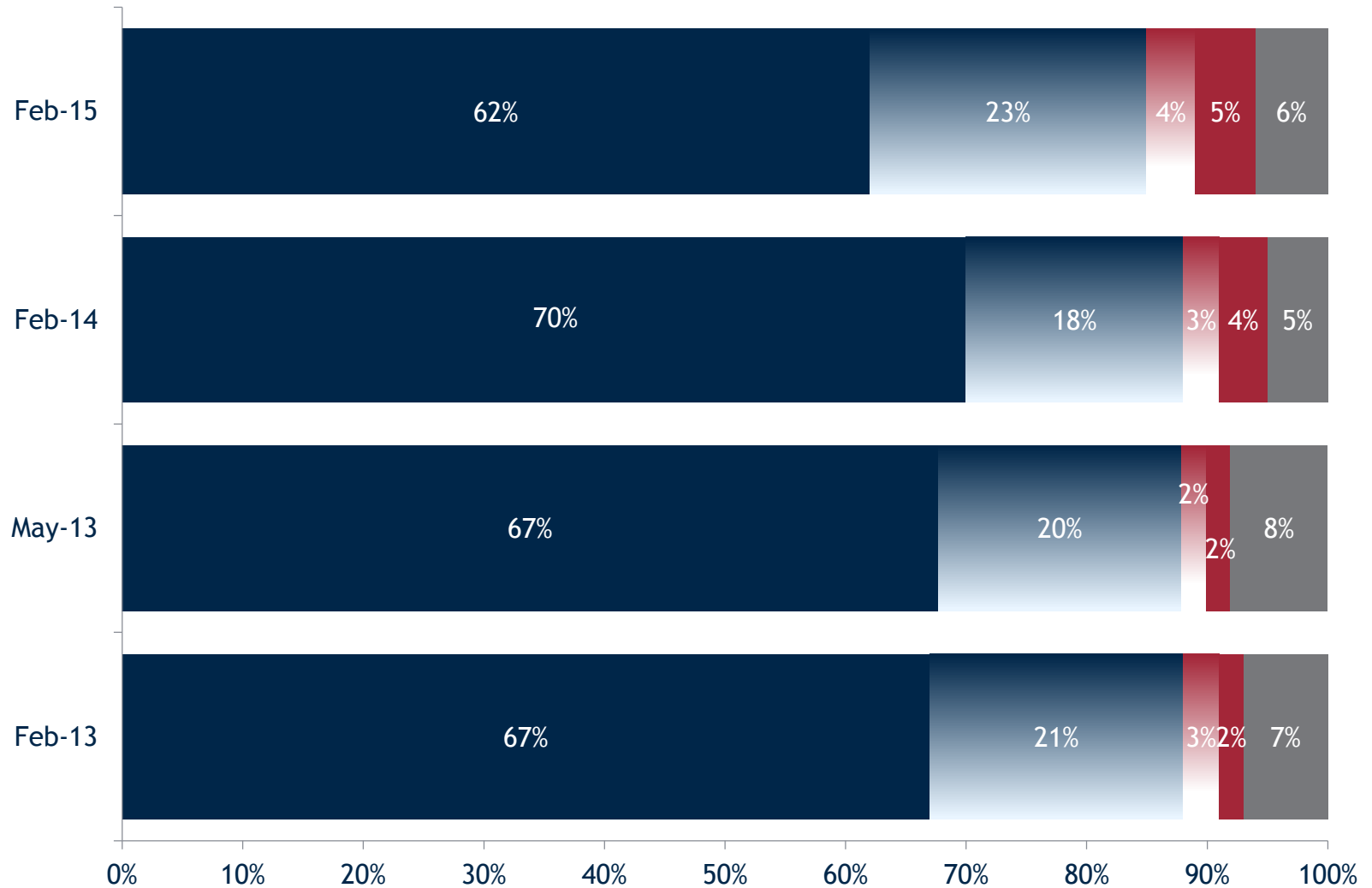




Georgians Continue to Want Deeper Ties to the Democratic Community

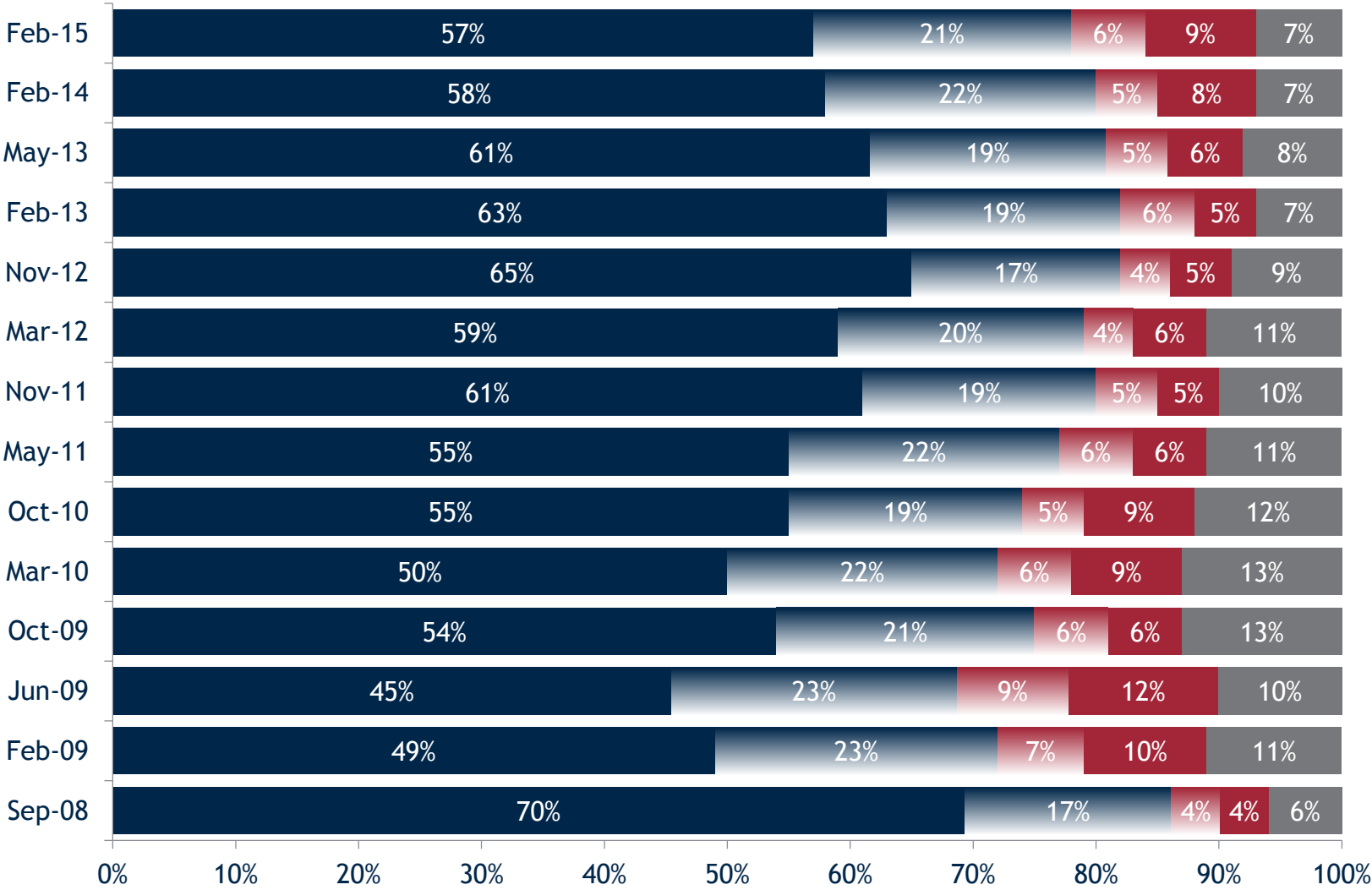
Do you support Georgia joining the European Union (EU)?

■ Fully support ■ Somewhat support ■ Somewhat oppose ■ Strongly oppose ■ Don't know/No answer



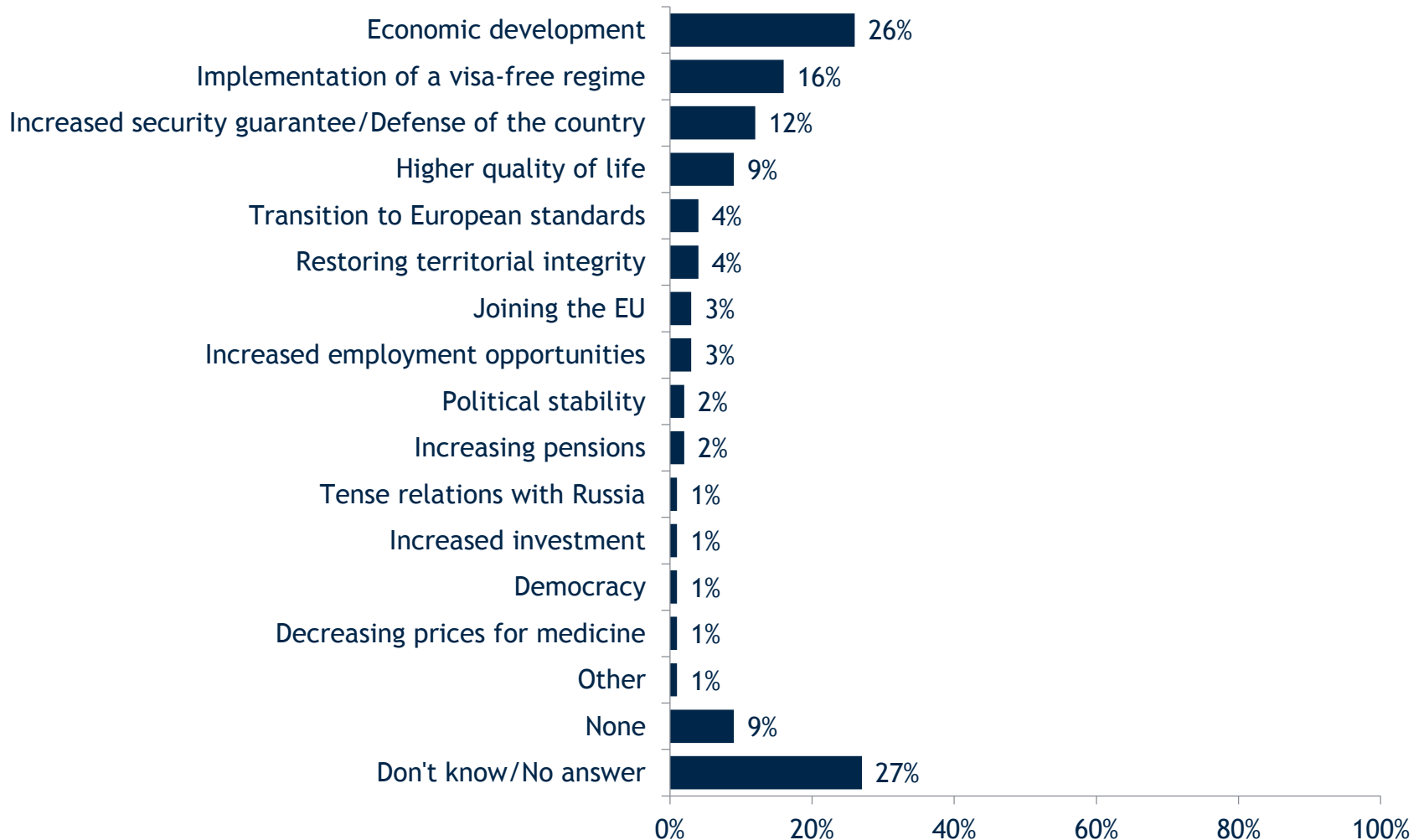
Do you support Georgia joining the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)?

■ Fully support
 ■ Somewhat support
 ■ Somewhat oppose
 ■ Strongly oppose
 ■ Don't know/No answer



What do you expect now that Georgia has signed the Association Agreement with the EU?

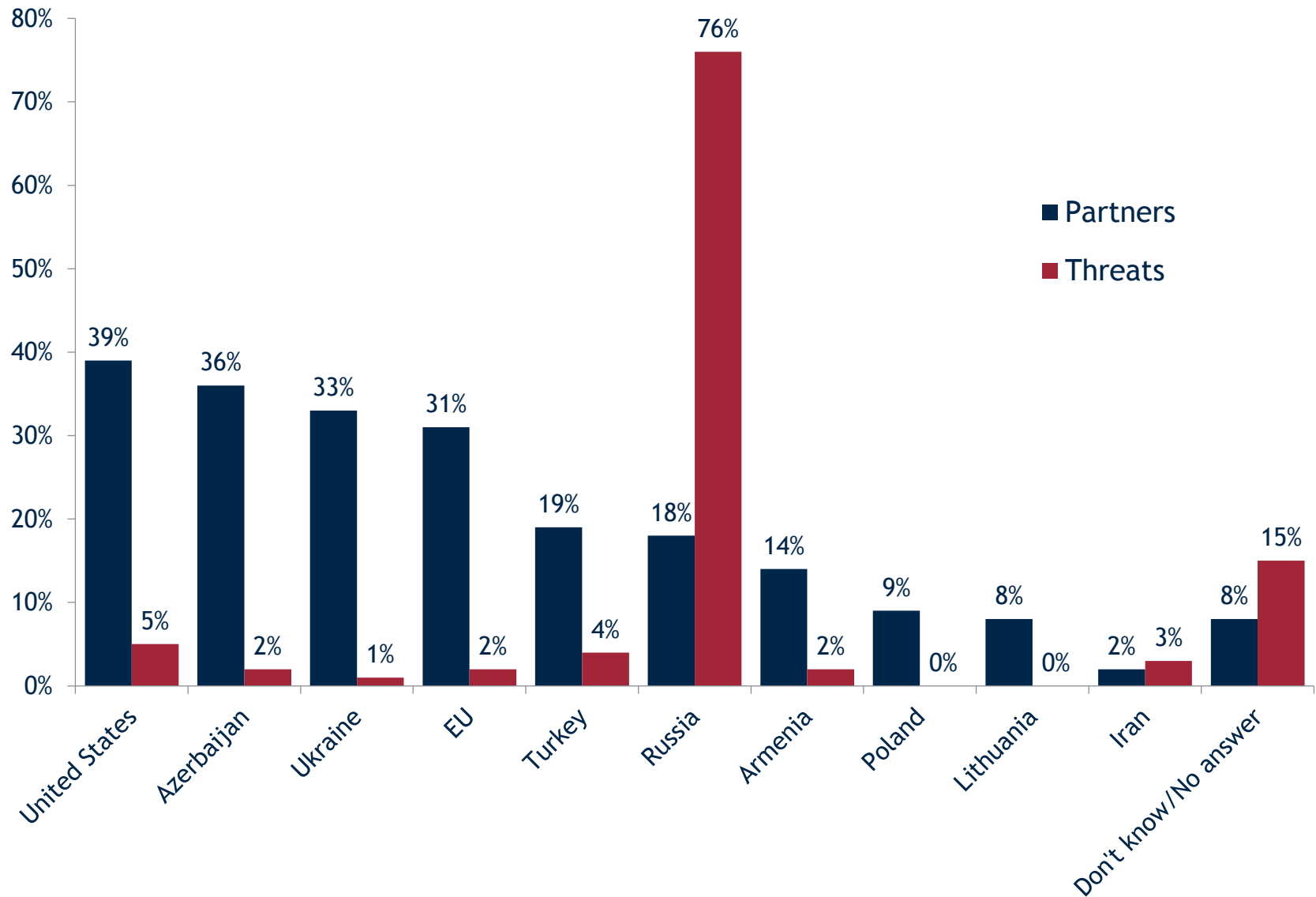
Three answers allowed



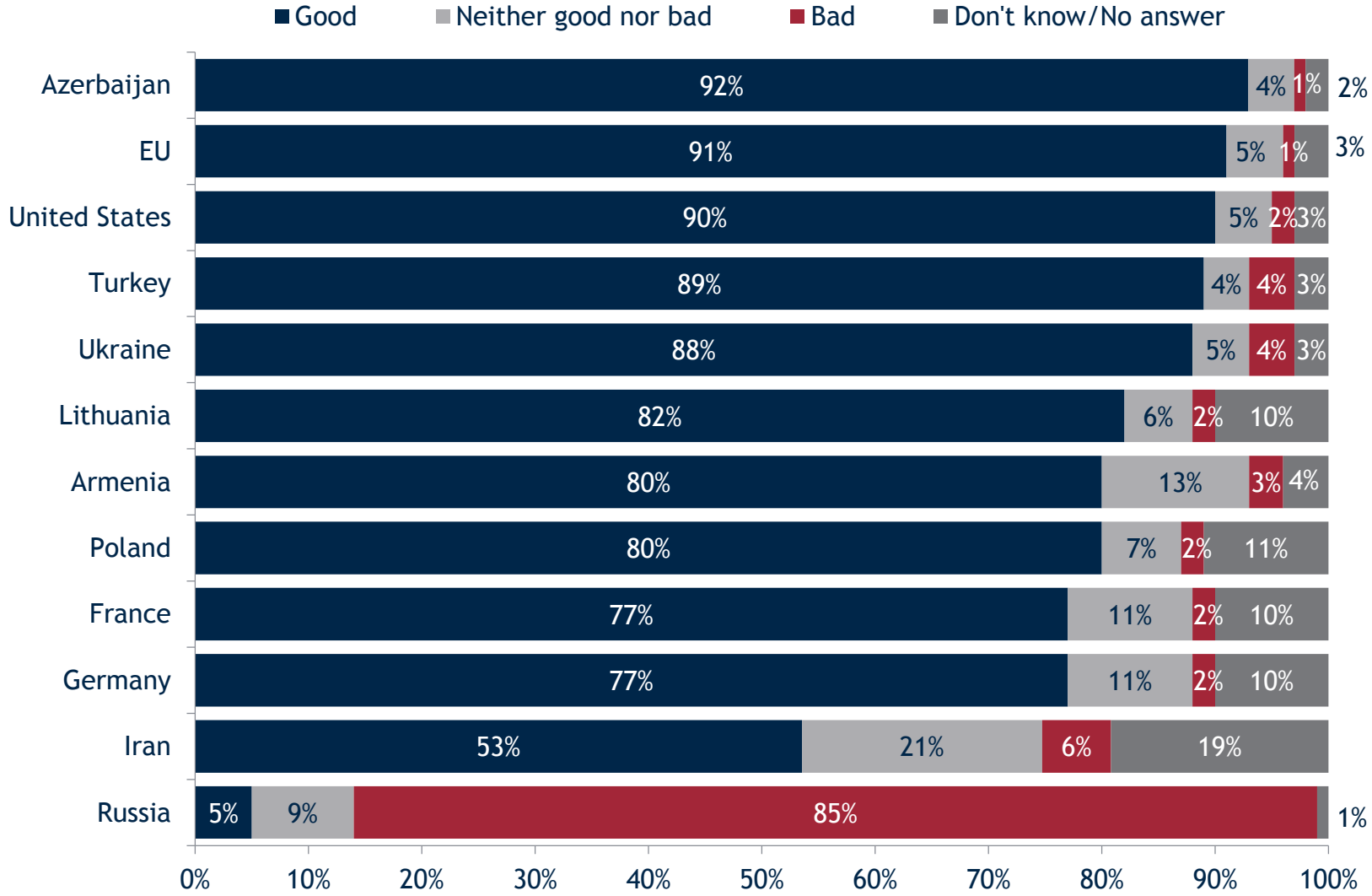


Georgians Concerned Over Territorial Integrity

Which of these countries do you consider to be the most important partners for and biggest threats to Georgia?

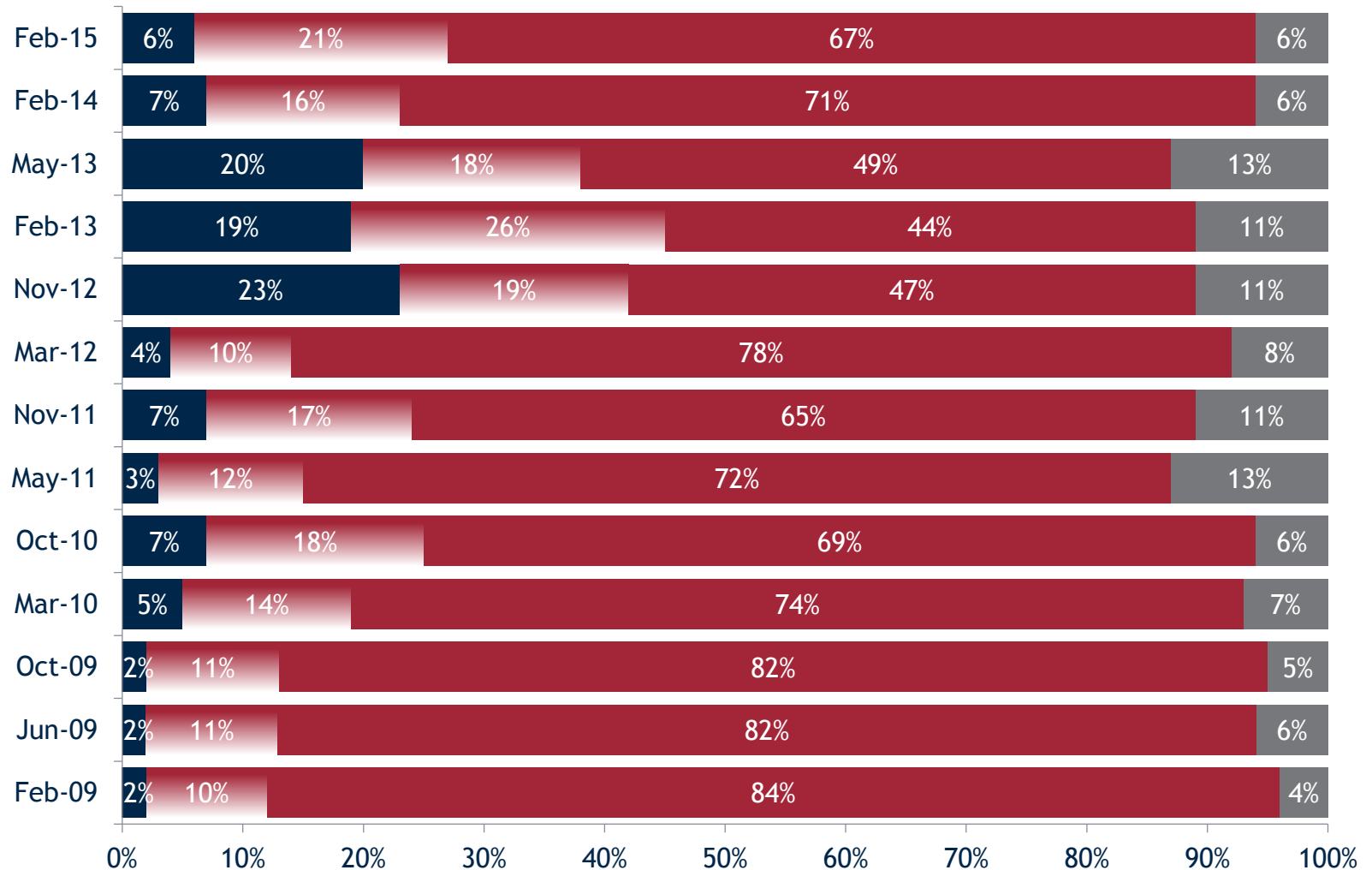


How would you evaluate Georgia's relationship with the following countries?

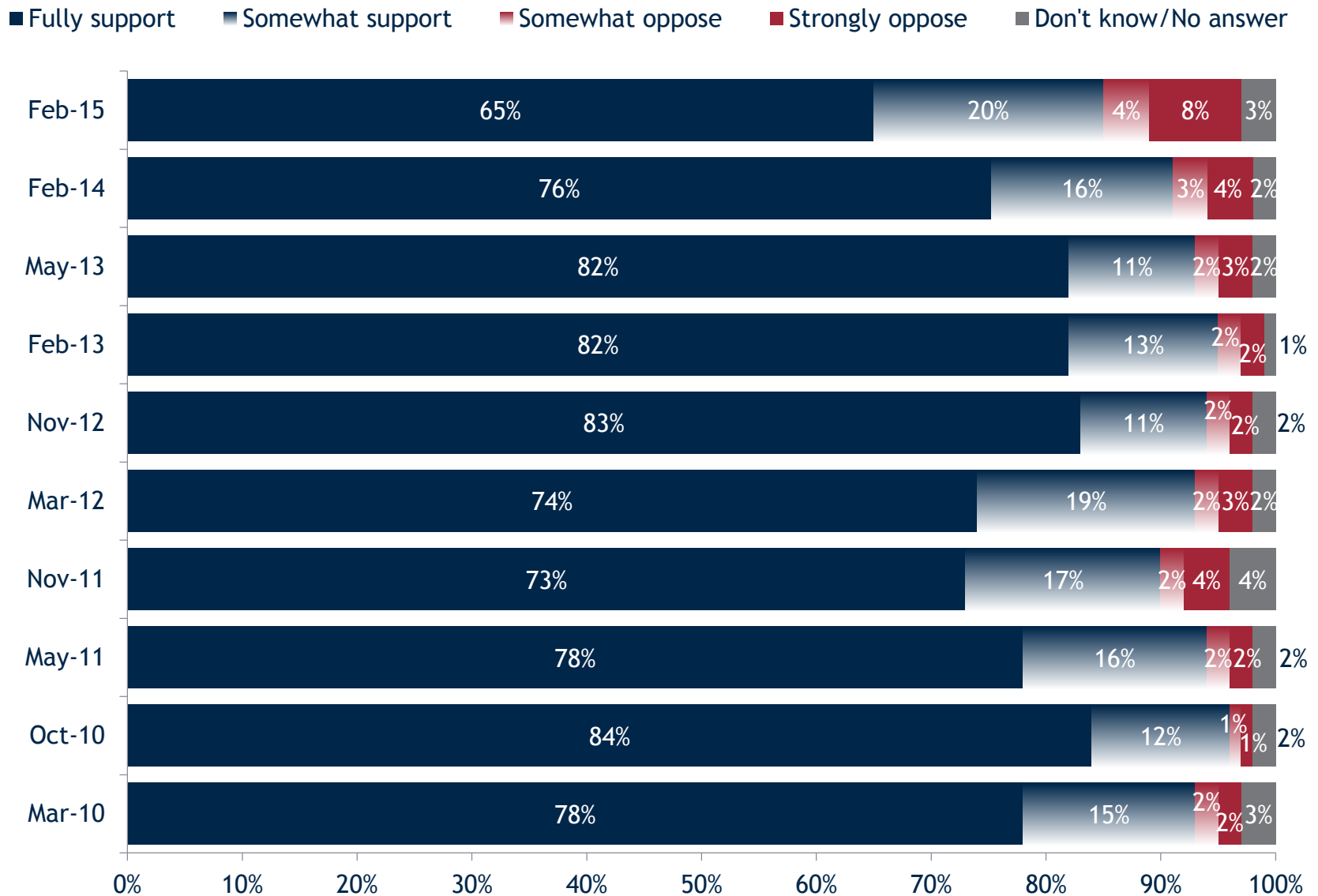


Do you think that the Russian aggression towards Georgia is over or is it still ongoing?

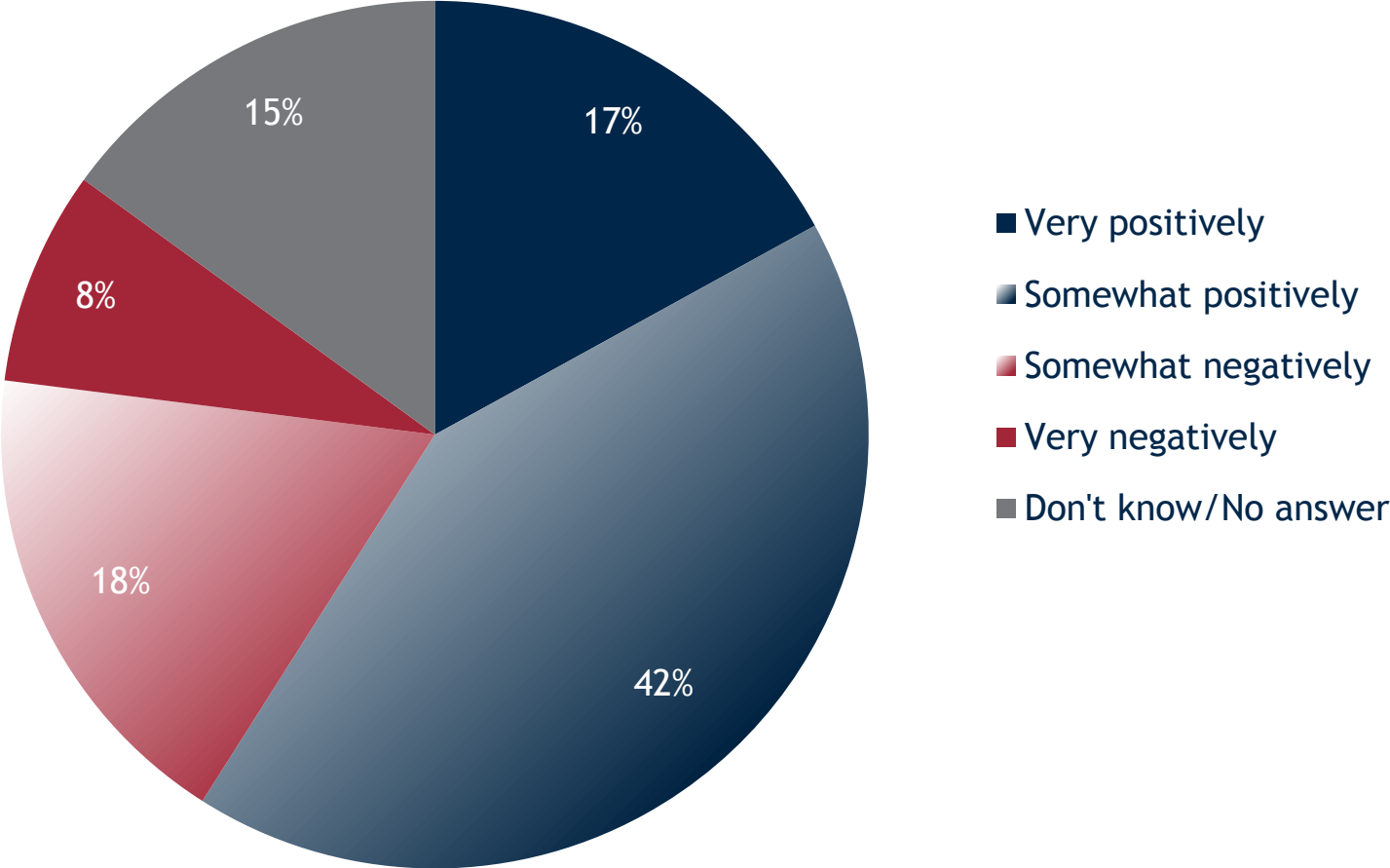
■ It is over and unlikely to resume ■ It is over but likely to resume ■ It is still ongoing ■ Don't know/No answer



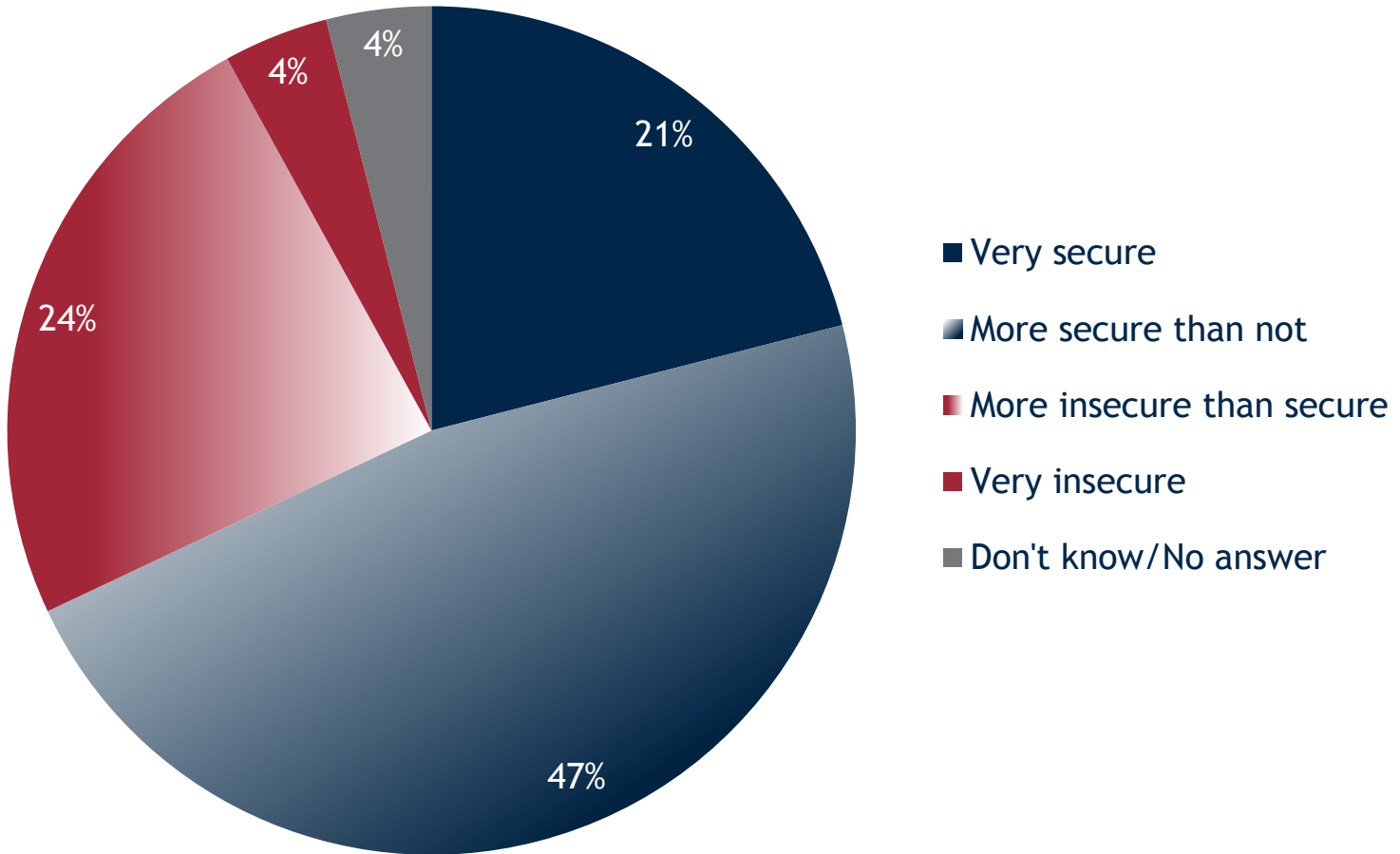
Would you support further dialogue with Russia?



How would you rate the current government's handling of Georgia's relationship with Russia?



How secure do you feel living in Georgia given the current international situation?

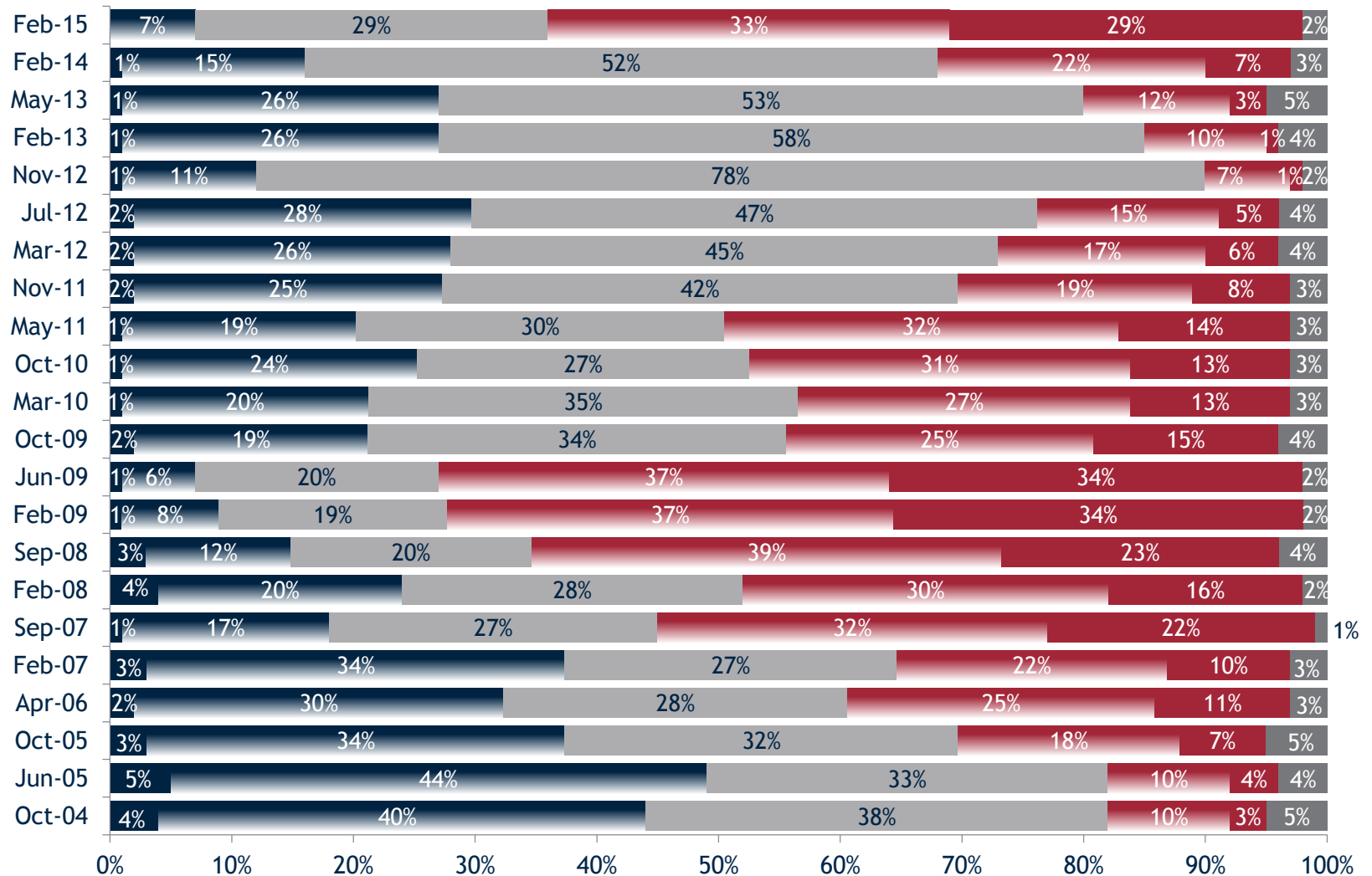




Georgians Concerned with State of Economy

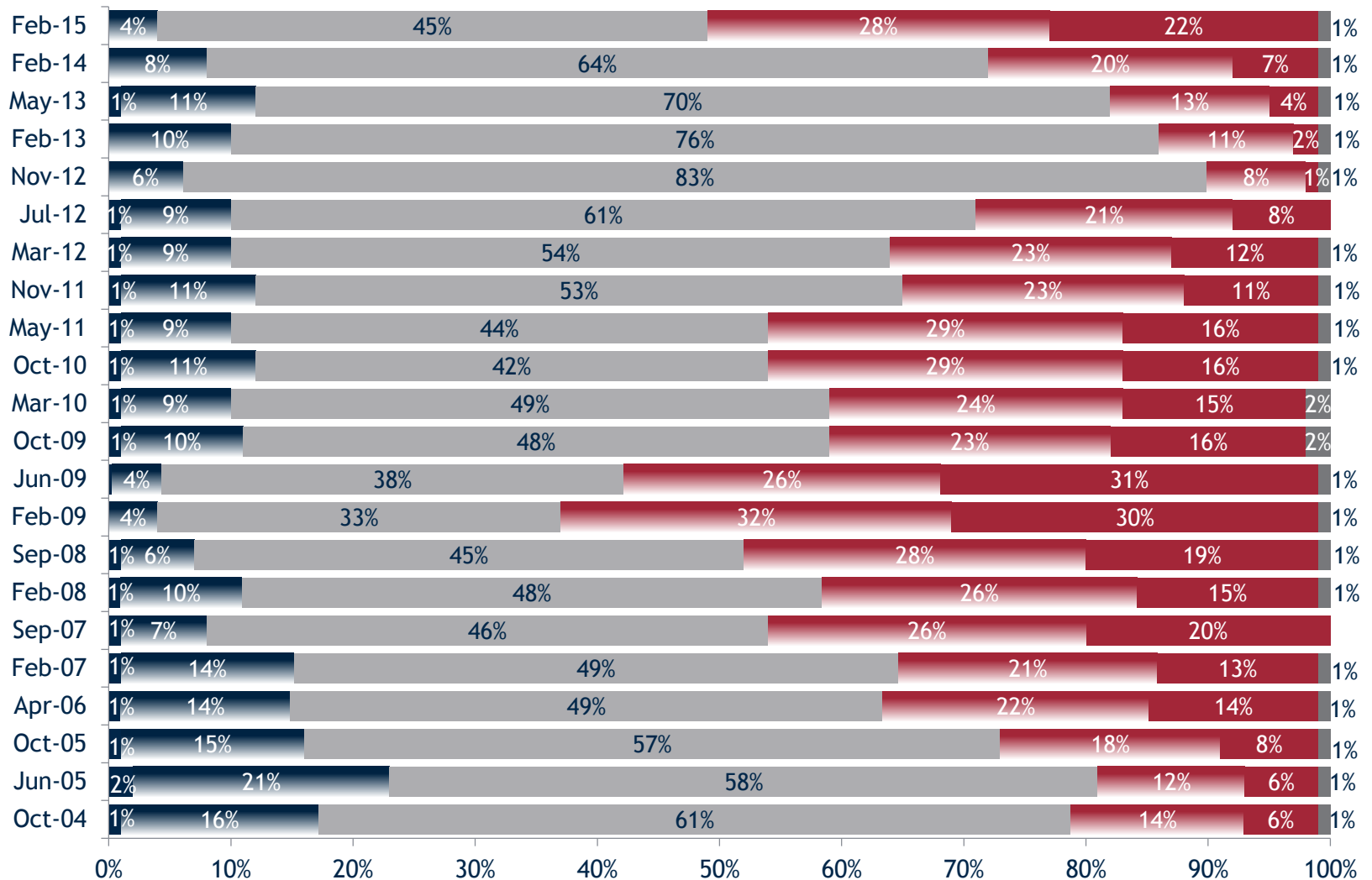
Over the last two months, how has the economic situation in Georgia changed?

■ Improved a lot
 ■ Improved somewhat
 ■ Stayed the same
 ■ Worsened somewhat
 ■ Worsened a lot
 ■ Don't know/No answer



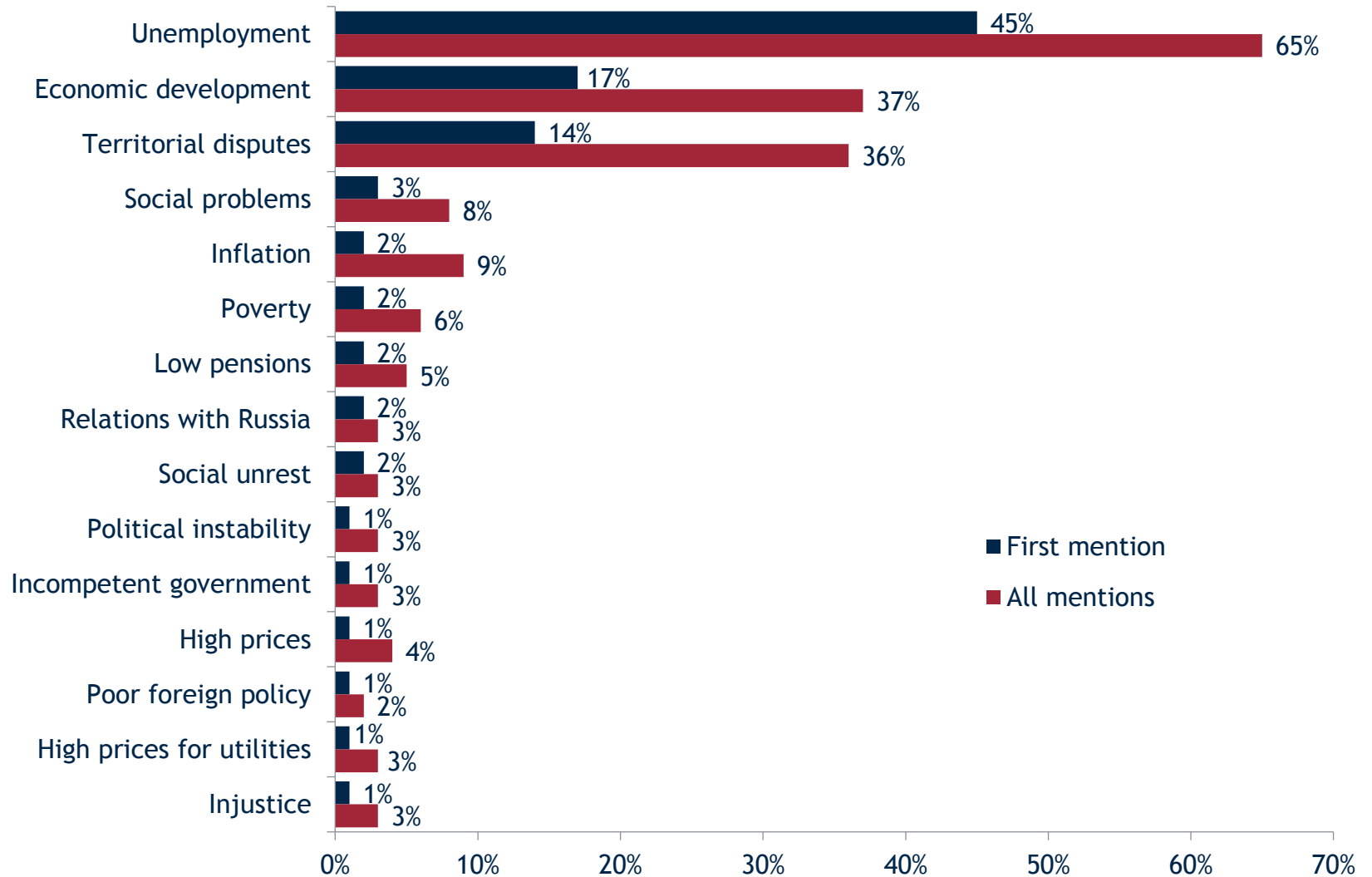
Over the last two months, how has the financial situation of your household changed?

■ Improved a lot ■ Improved somewhat ■ Stayed the same ■ Worsened somewhat ■ Worsened a lot ■ Don't know/No answer



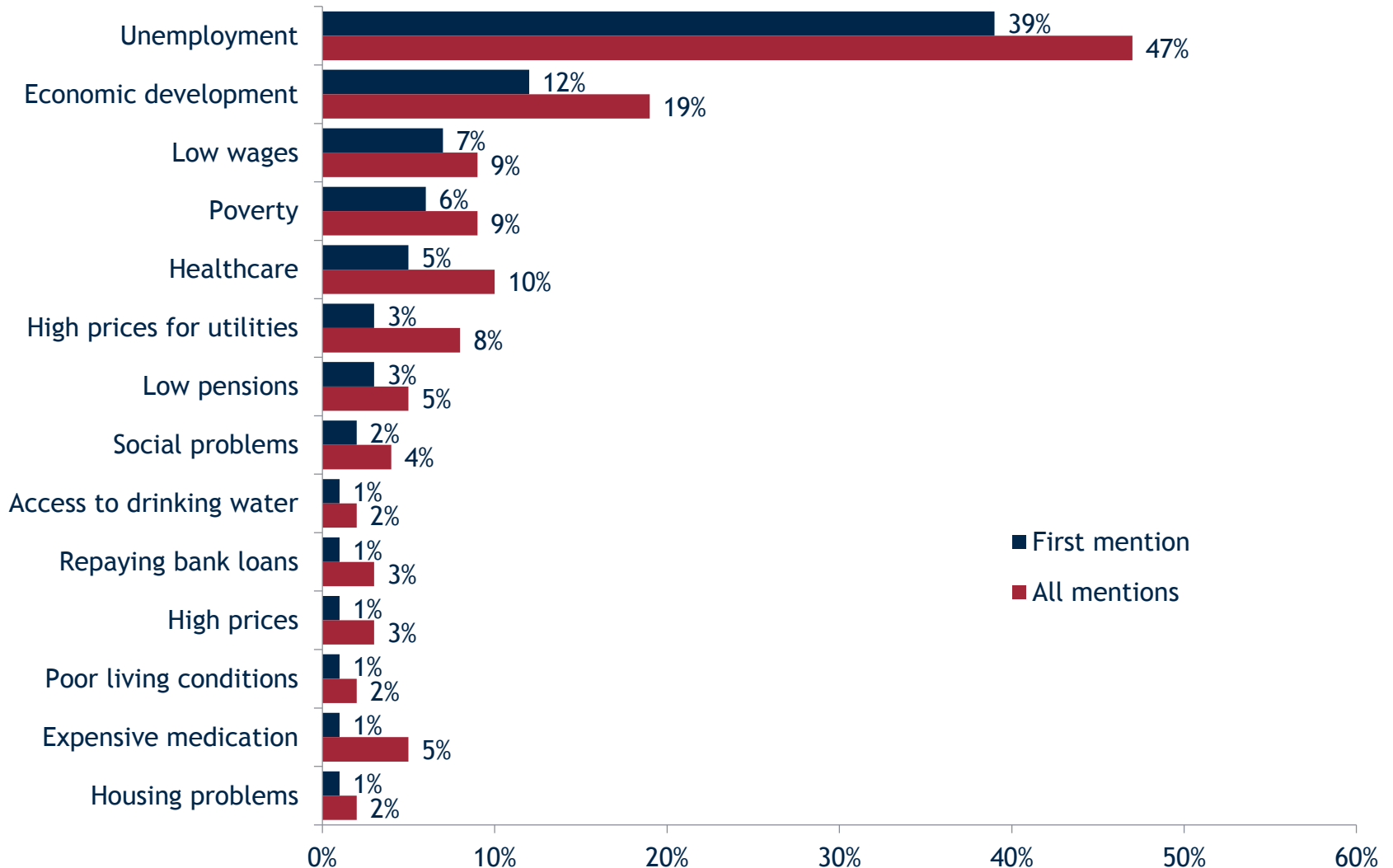
What are the main problems Georgia is currently facing?

Three answers allowed



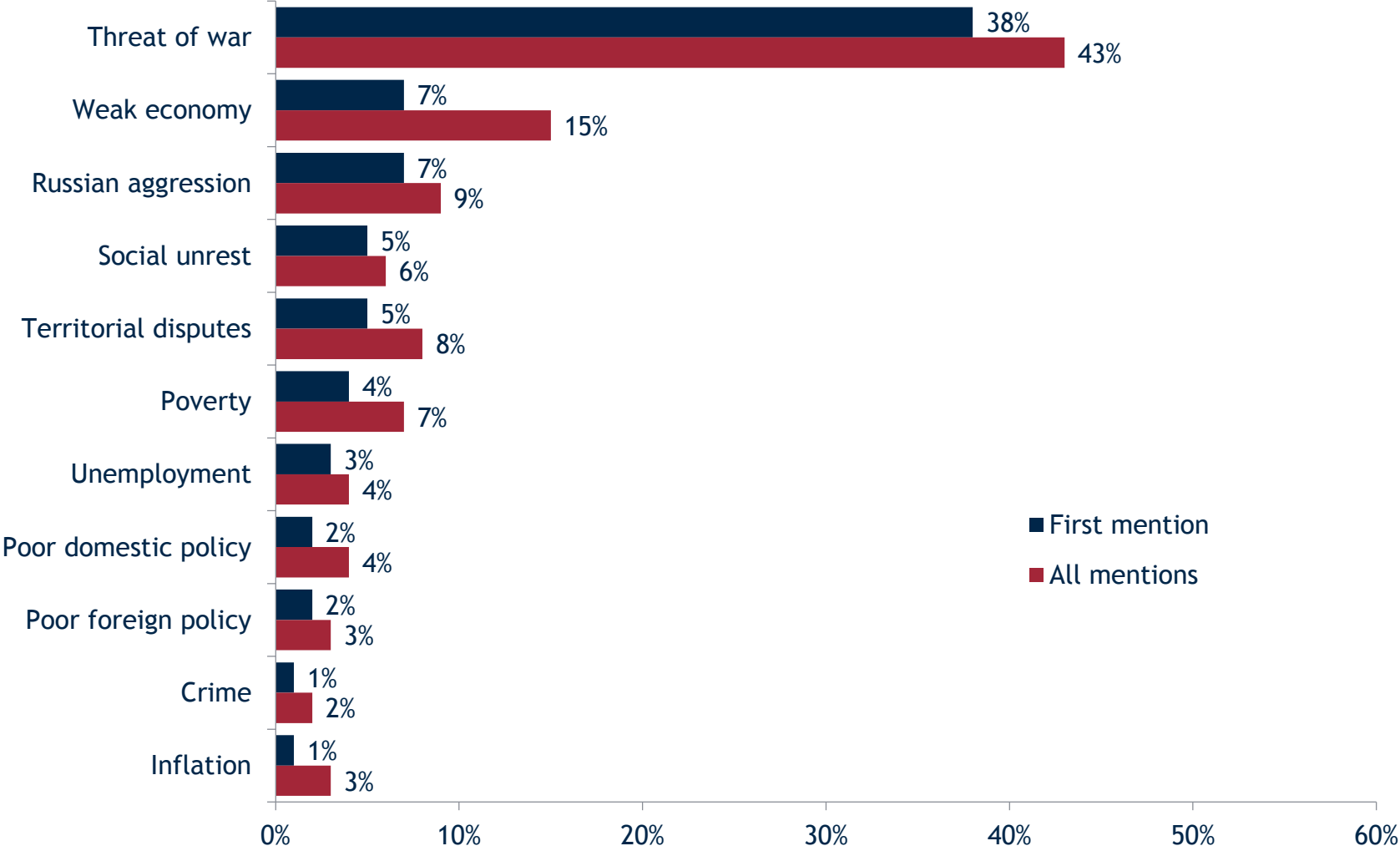
What are the most important issues that your household is currently facing?

Three answers allowed

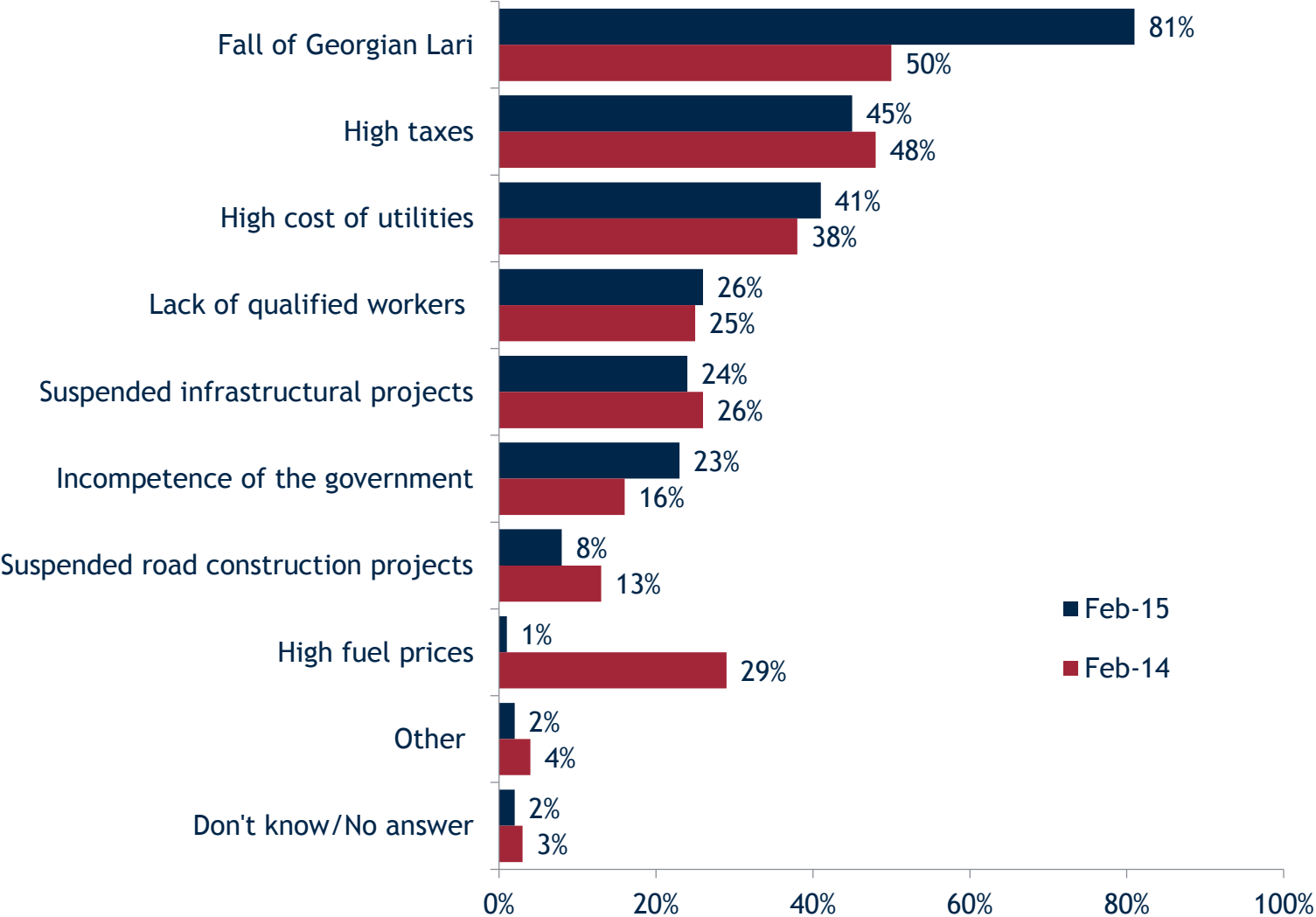


Thinking about the current situation and the future of your country, what issues do you fear the most for Georgia?

Three answers allowed



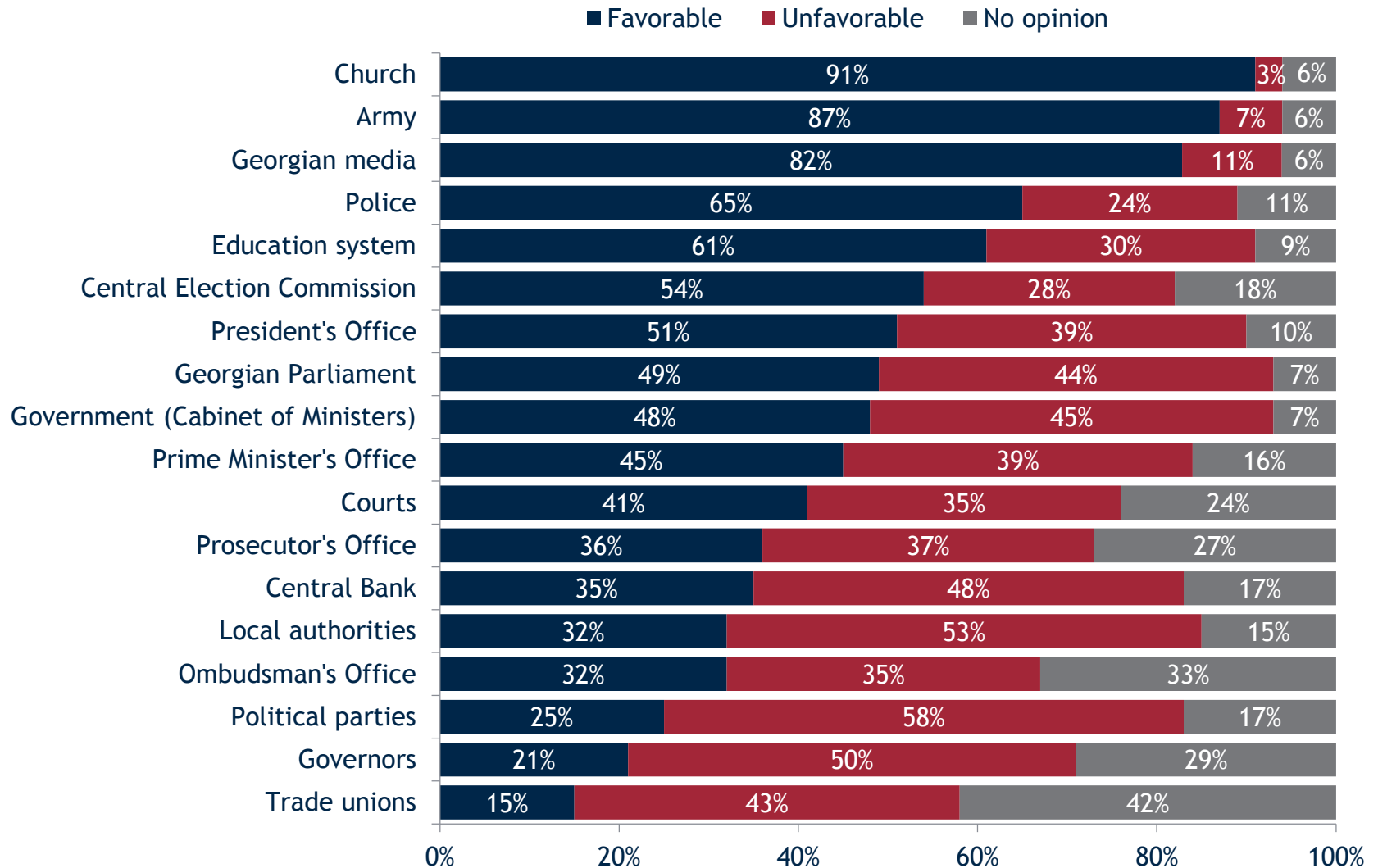
What are the main problems facing the Georgian economy? Three answers allowed



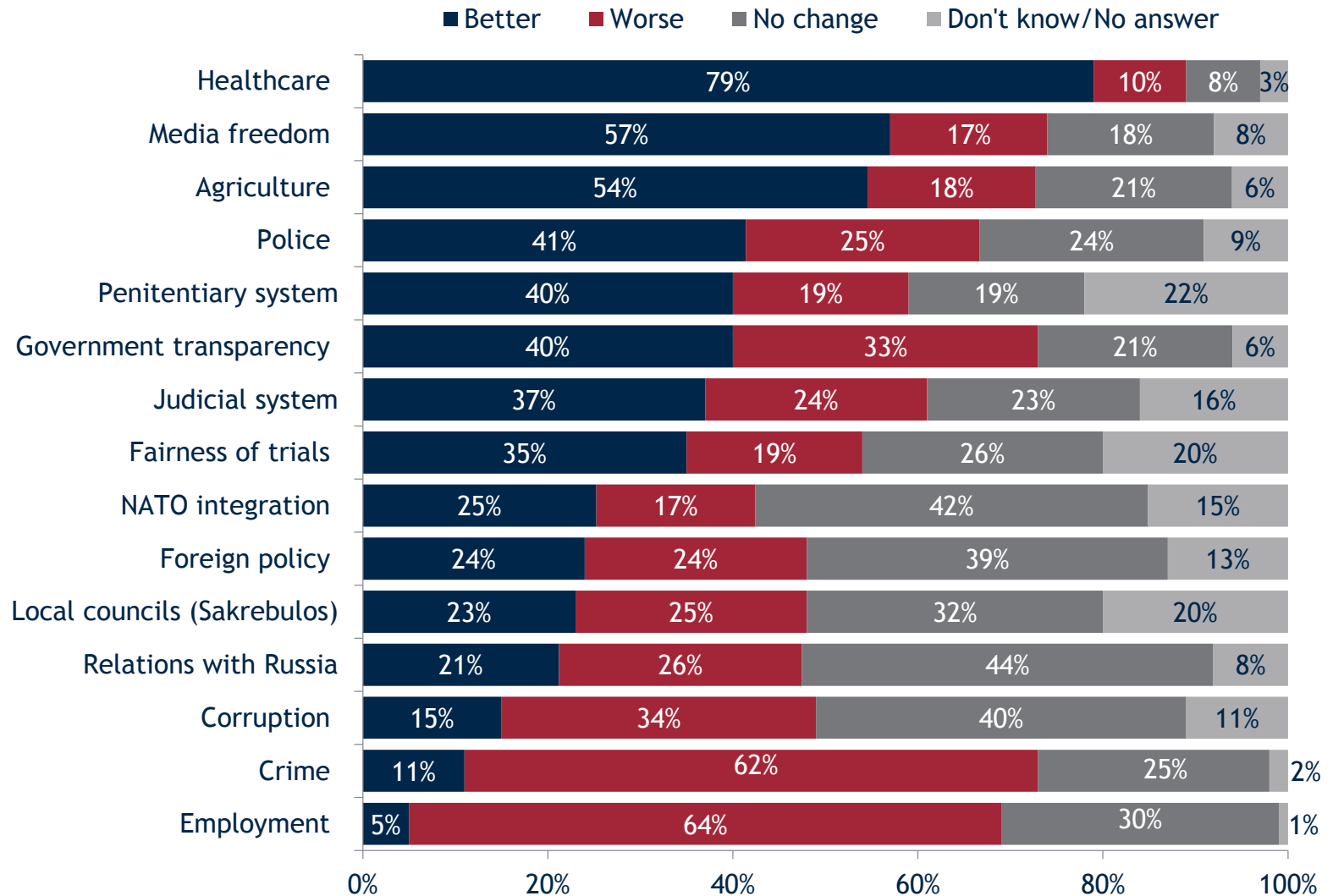


Trust in Institutions

I am going to read you the names of some Georgian institutions and organizations. What is your opinion about the work of each of these institutions?

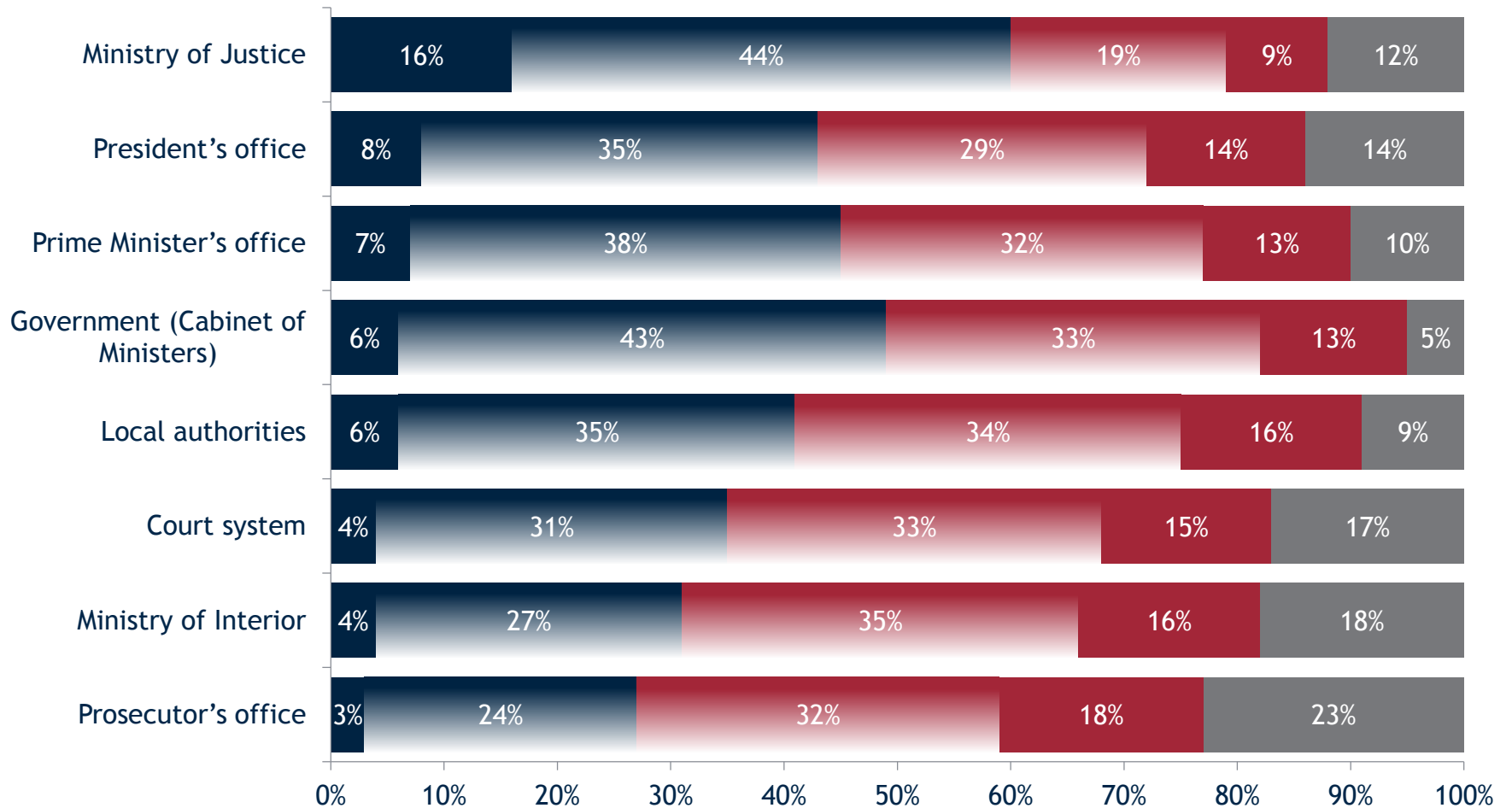


In your opinion, is each of the following issue areas getting better or worse?



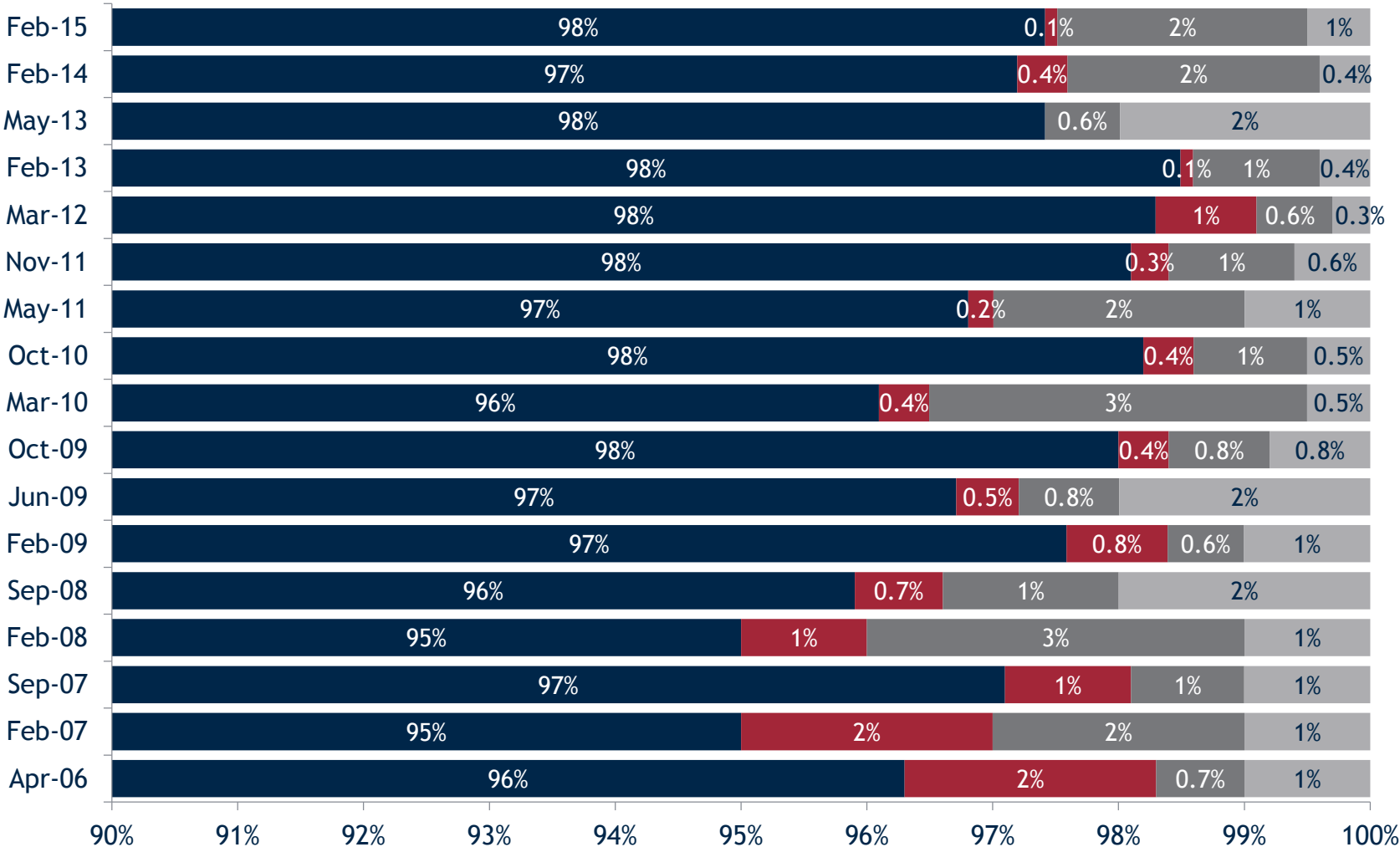
How would you assess the performance of the following institutions in terms of openness and transparency?

■ Very open and transparent
 ■ Somewhat open and transparent
 ■ Somewhat not open and transparent
■ Fully not open and not transparent
 ■ Don't know/No answer

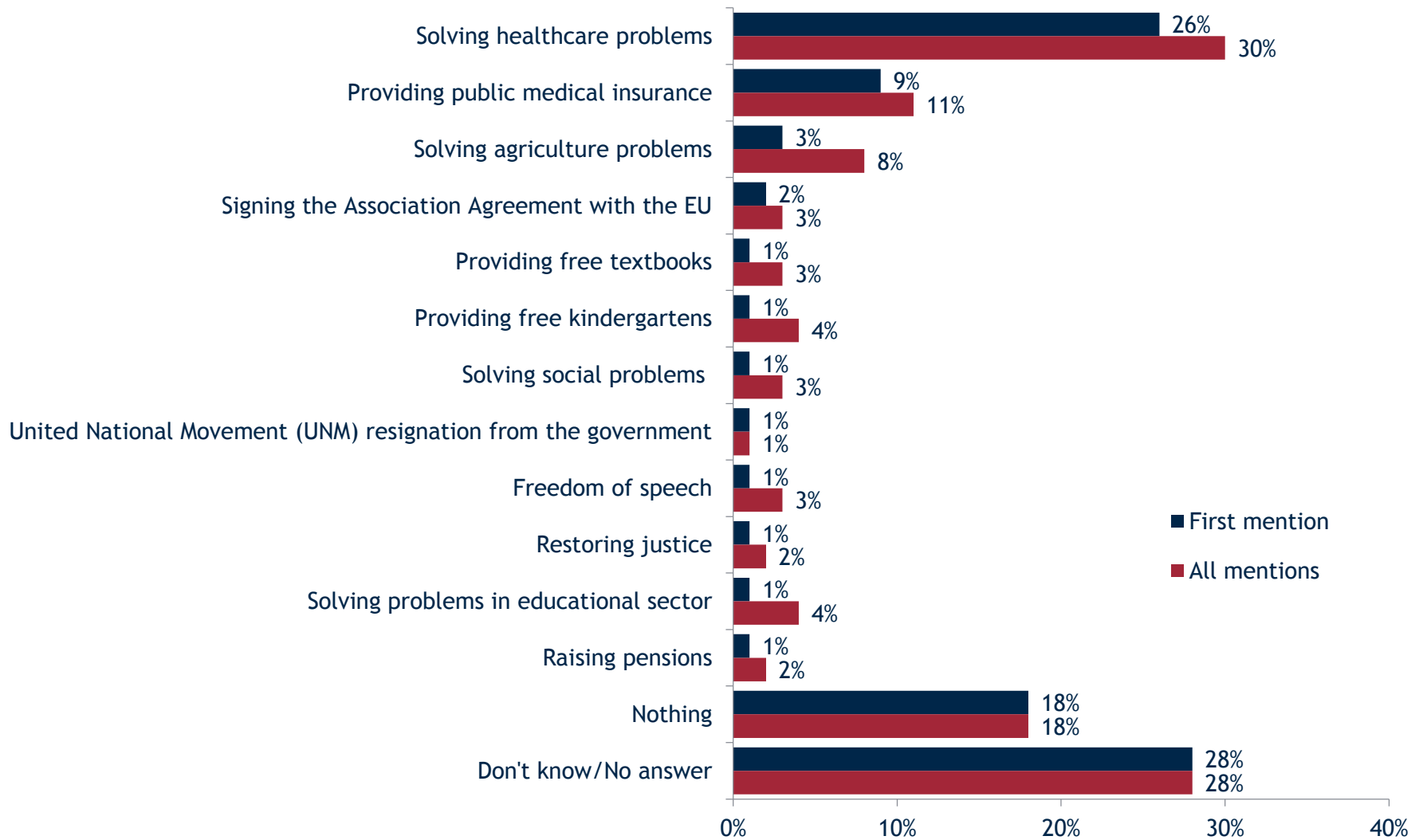


During the past 12 months, have you been in a situation when you had to pay a bribe in order to get a service or receive a necessary decision?

■ No, have not paid any bribe in the last 12 months
 ■ Yes, had to pay
 ■ Refused to answer
 ■ Don't know/No answer

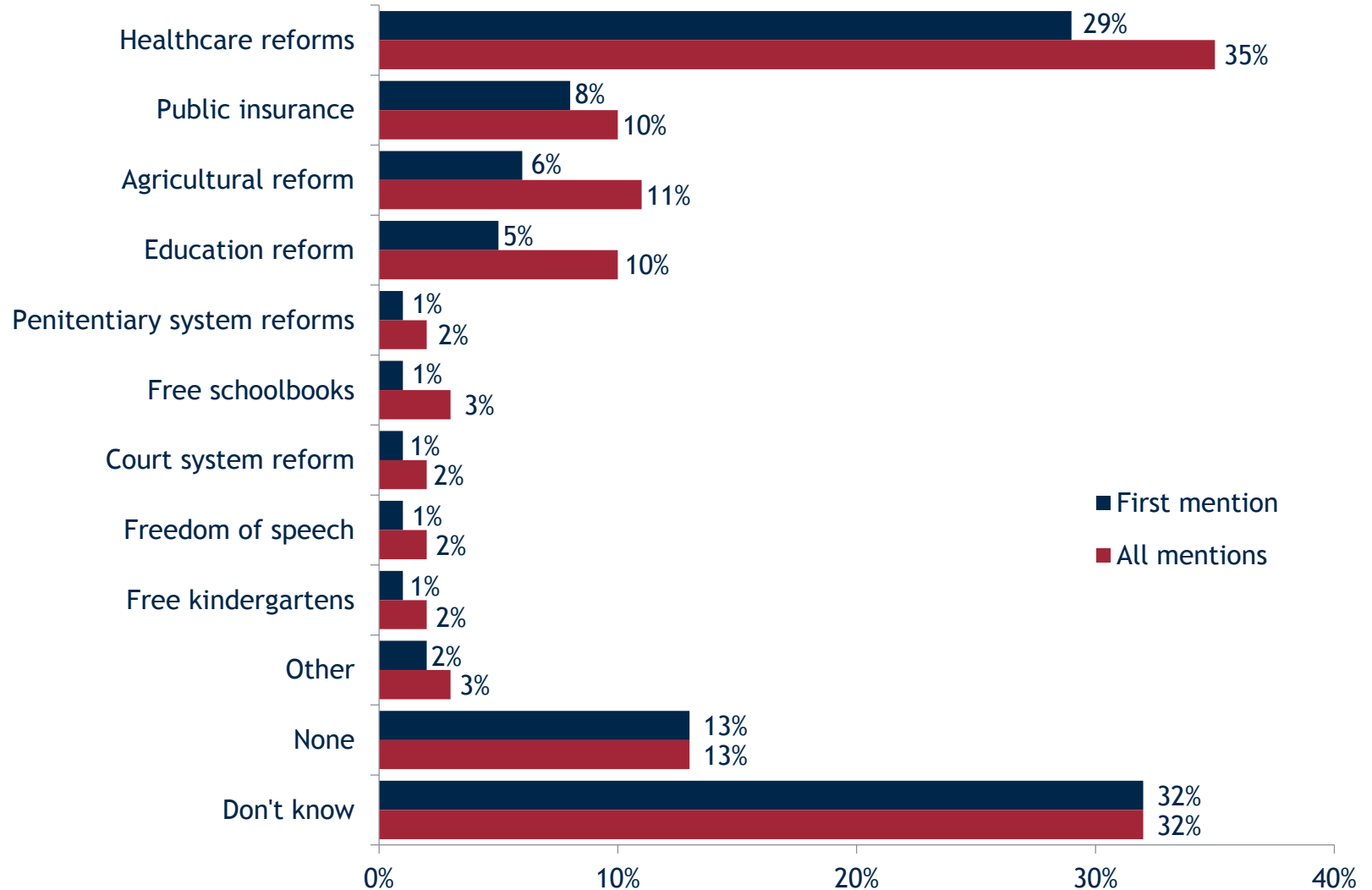


What are the main accomplishments of the Georgian government? Three answers allowed

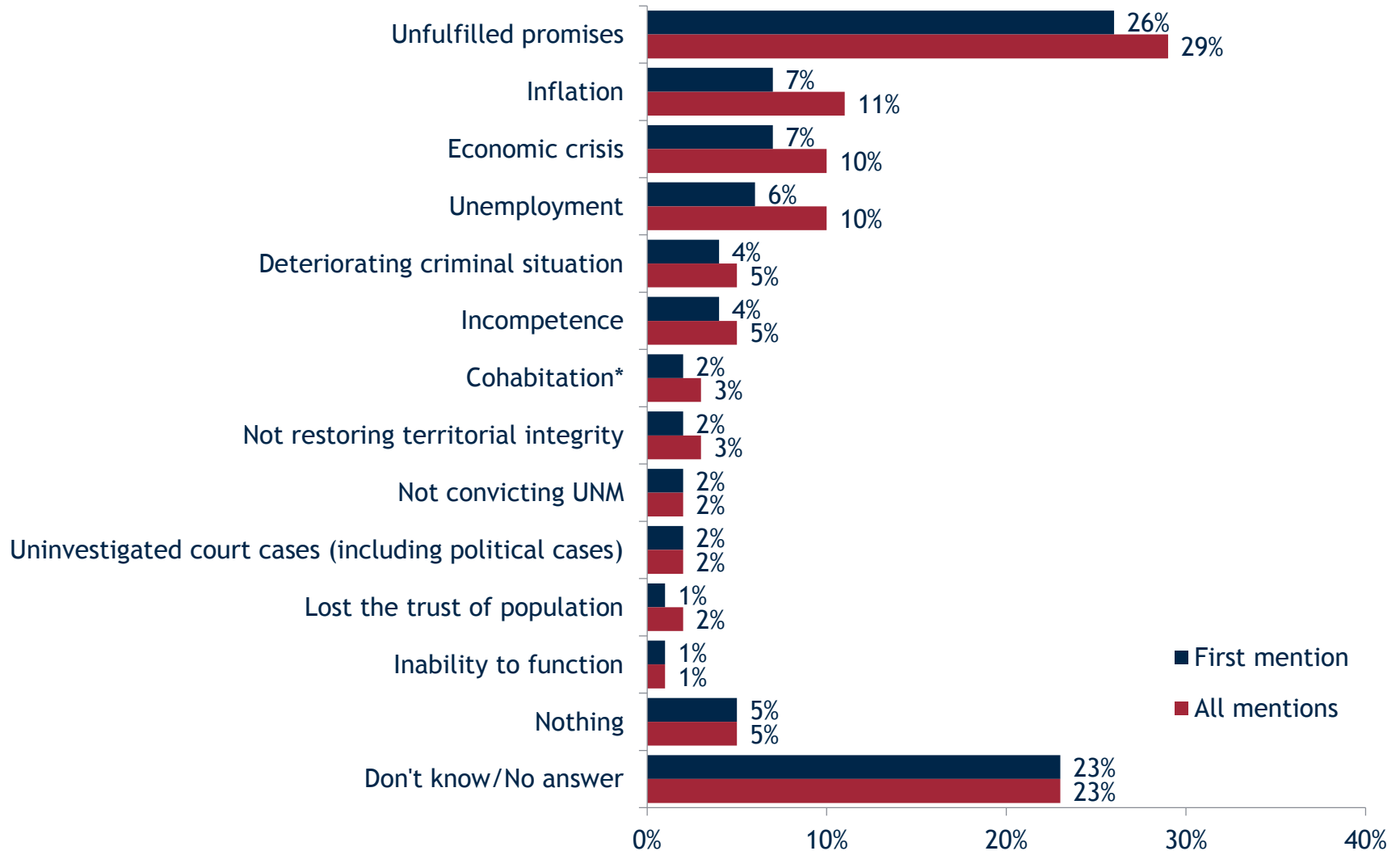


What are the most successful reforms of the current government?

Three answers allowed



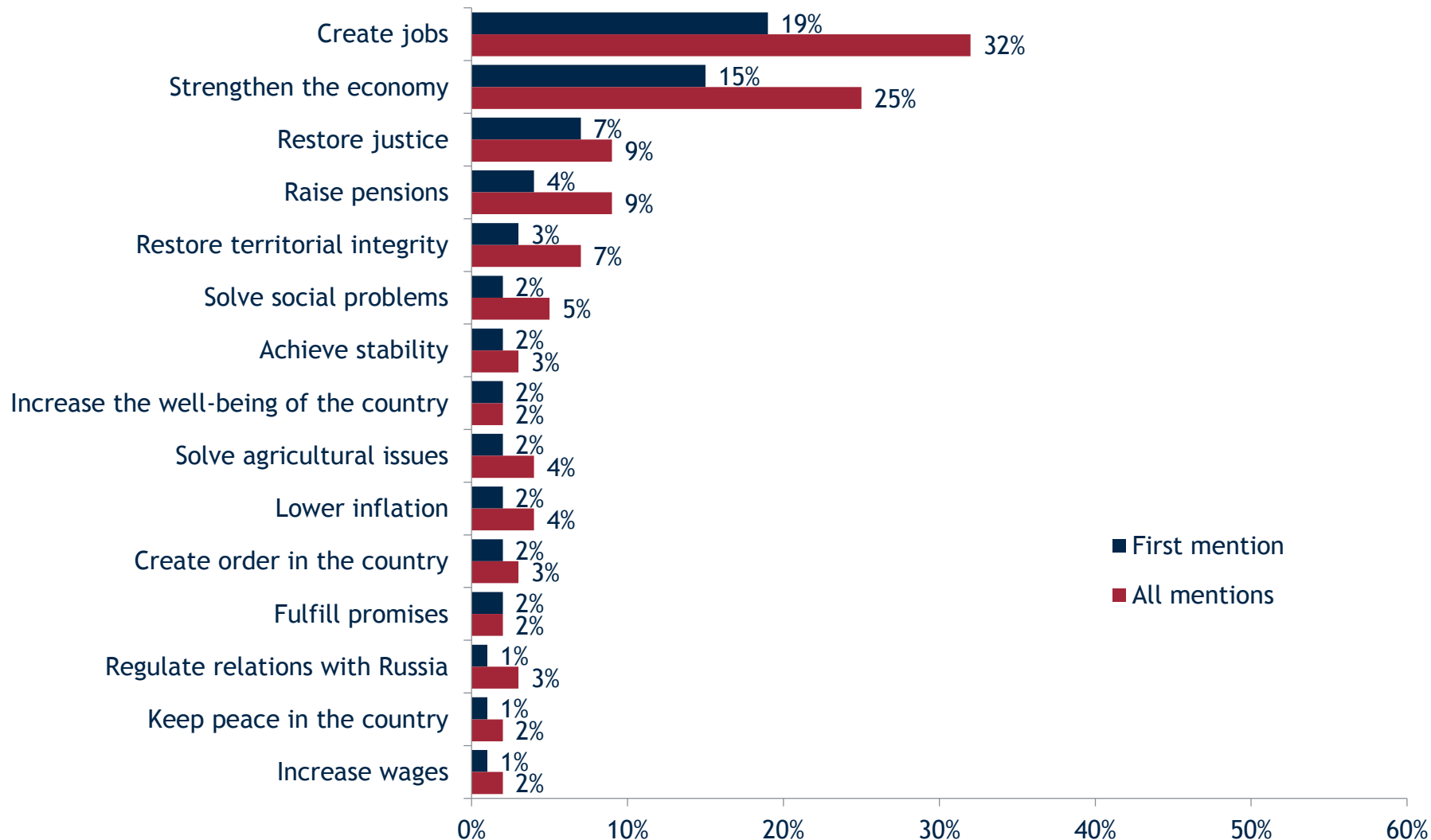
What are the biggest failures of the Georgian government? Three answers allowed



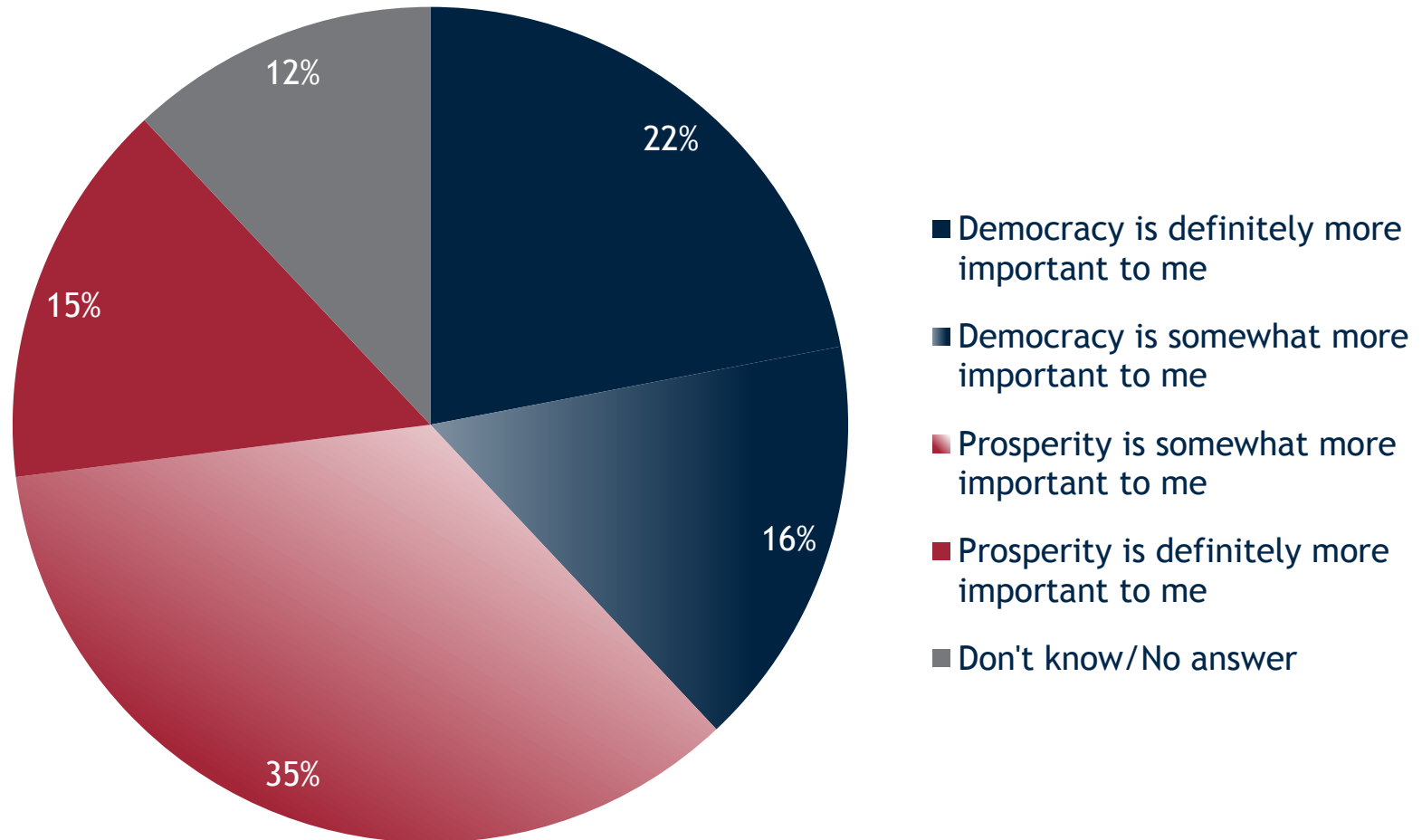
*Cohabitation is a term used to reference the period of time when the United National Movement held the presidency and the Georgian Dream Coalition had control of the parliament (October 2012 to October 2013).

What are your main expectations from the Georgian government?

Three answers allowed



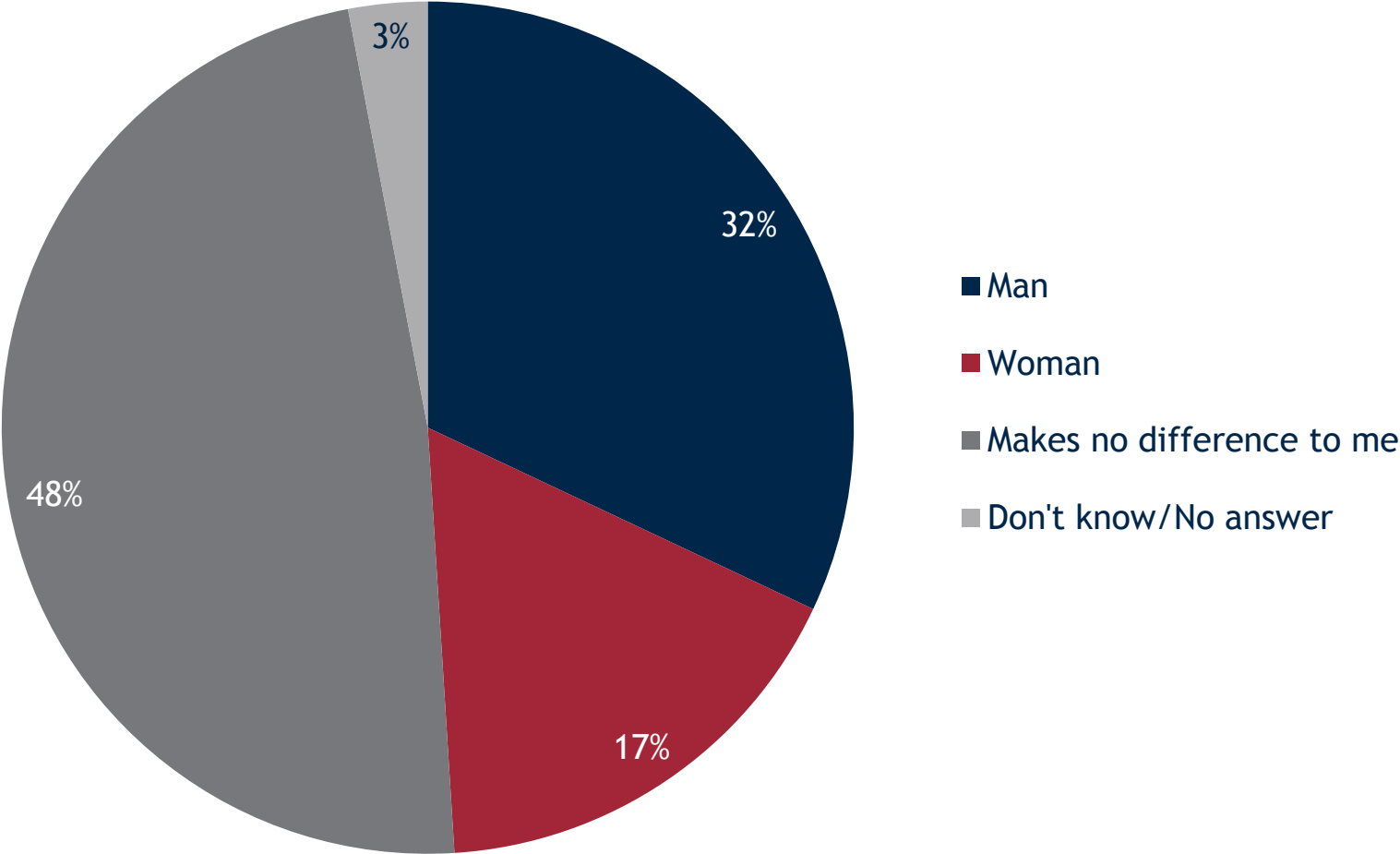
If you could only choose one or the other, which is more important to you: a democratic system of government or a prosperous economy?



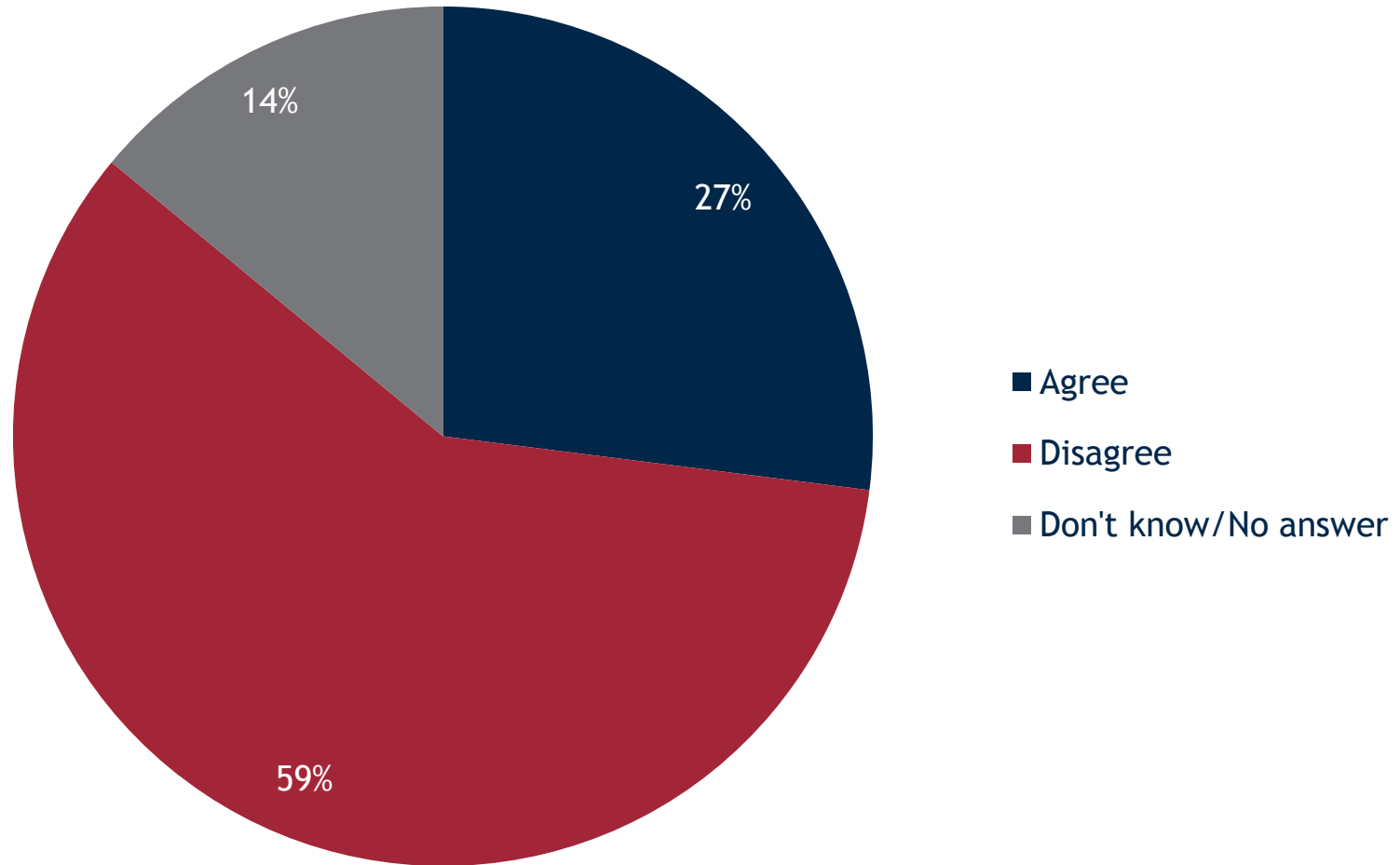


Politics

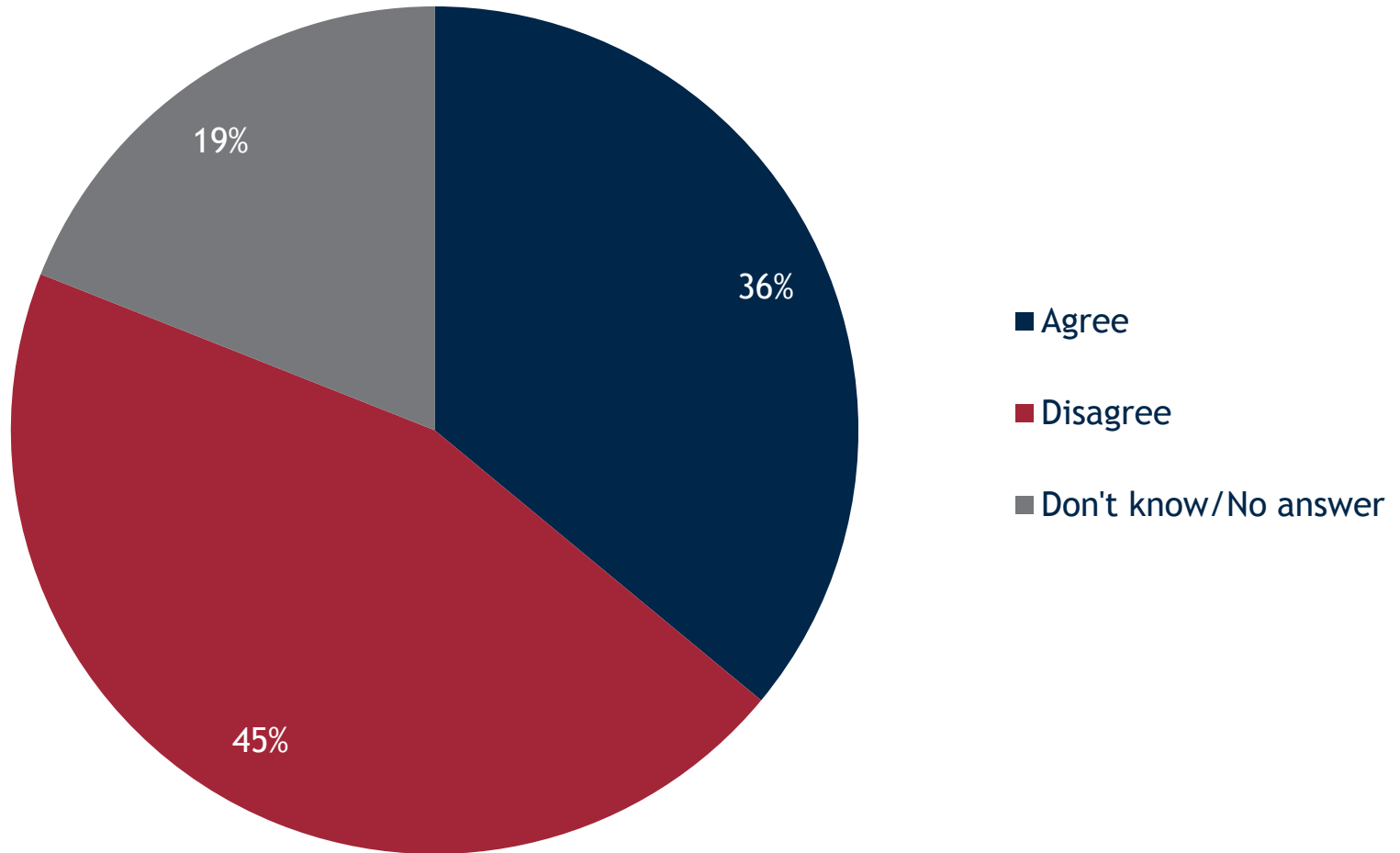
If there are two candidates running for office and they have the same qualifications aside from the fact that one is a man and one is a woman, which candidate are you more likely to support?



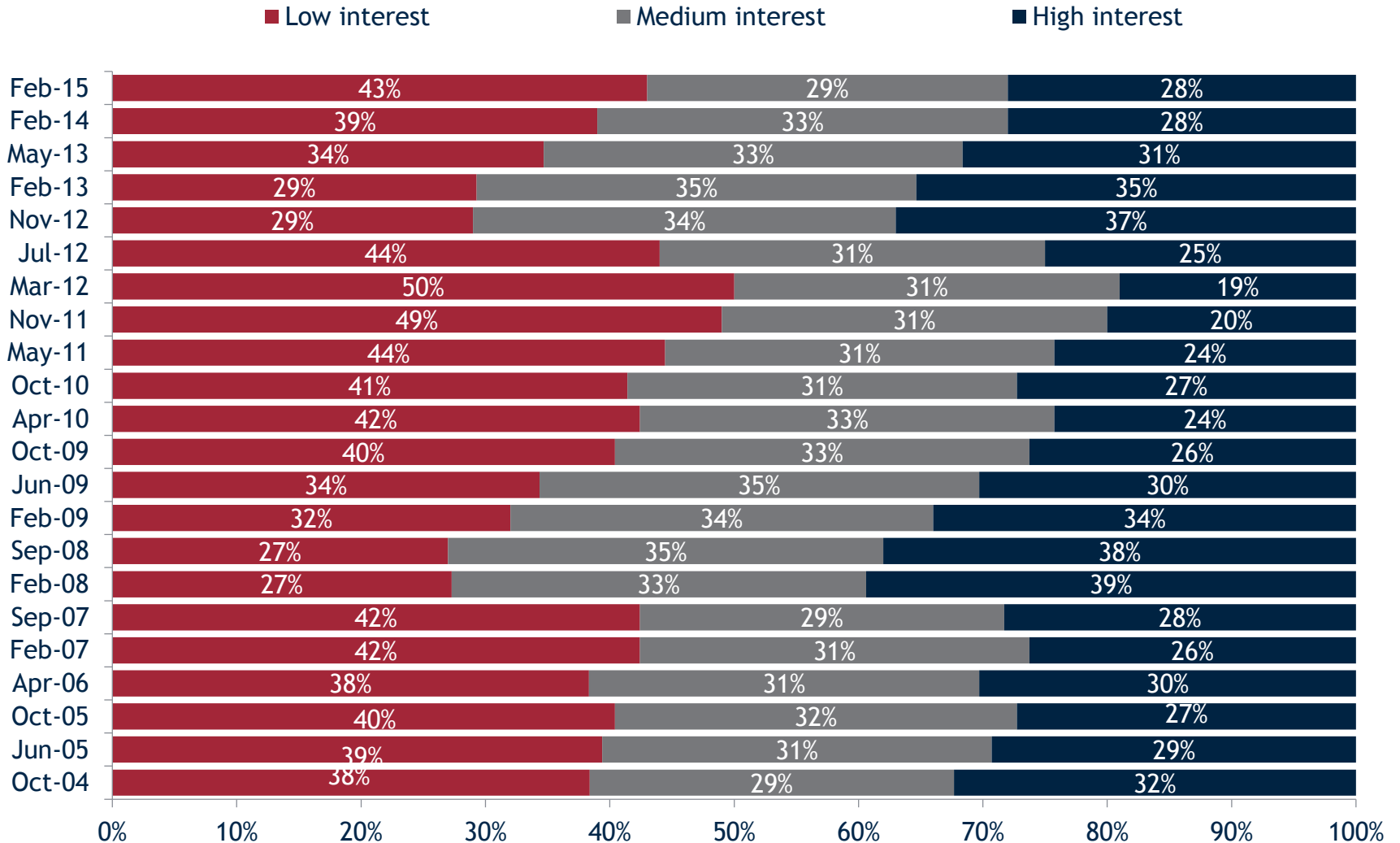
Do you agree or disagree with the following statement?
“Politicians do not listen to the needs and ideas of women.”



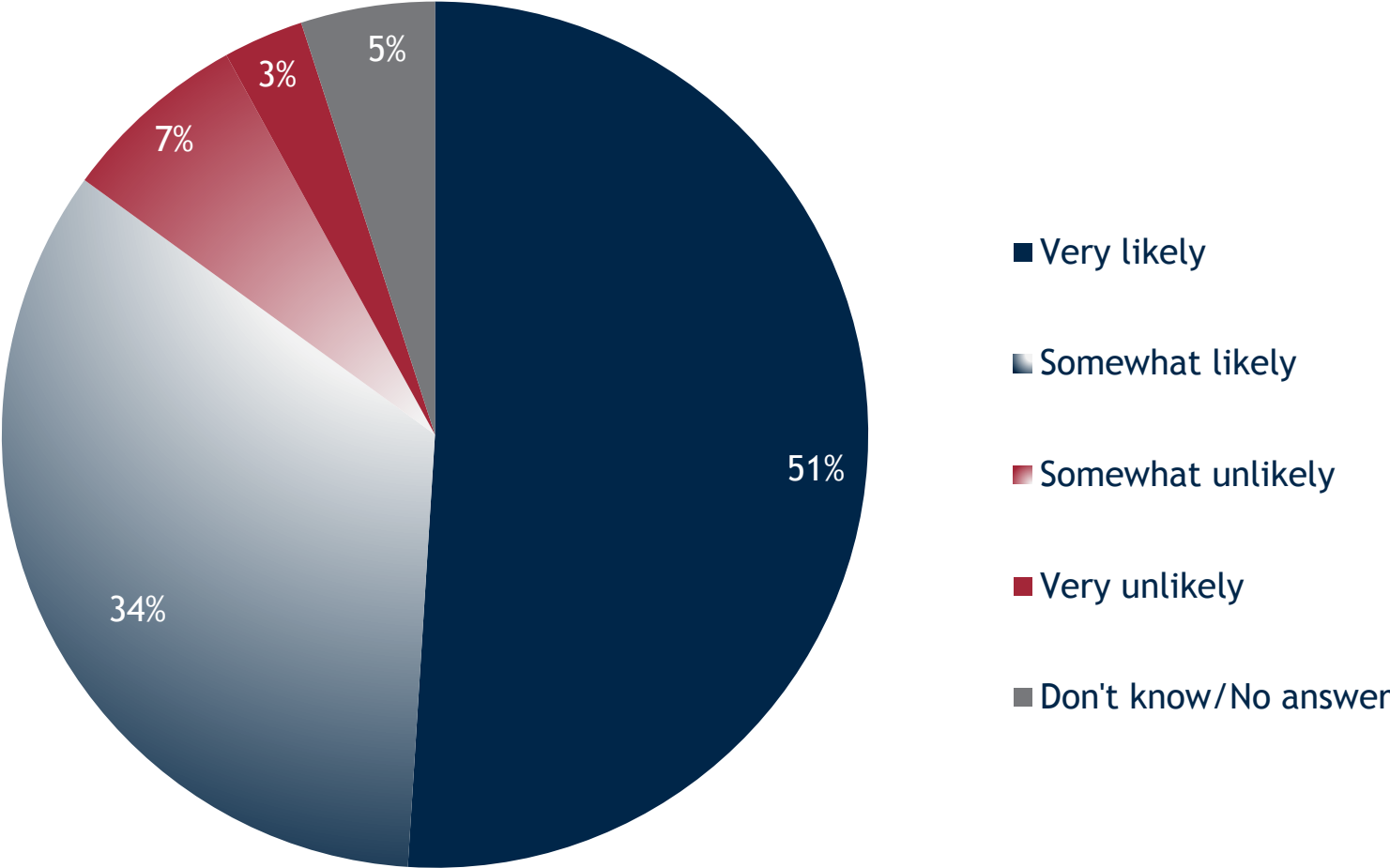
Do you agree or disagree with the following statement?
“Politicians do not listen to the needs and ideas of young people.”



How much interest do you have in politics?

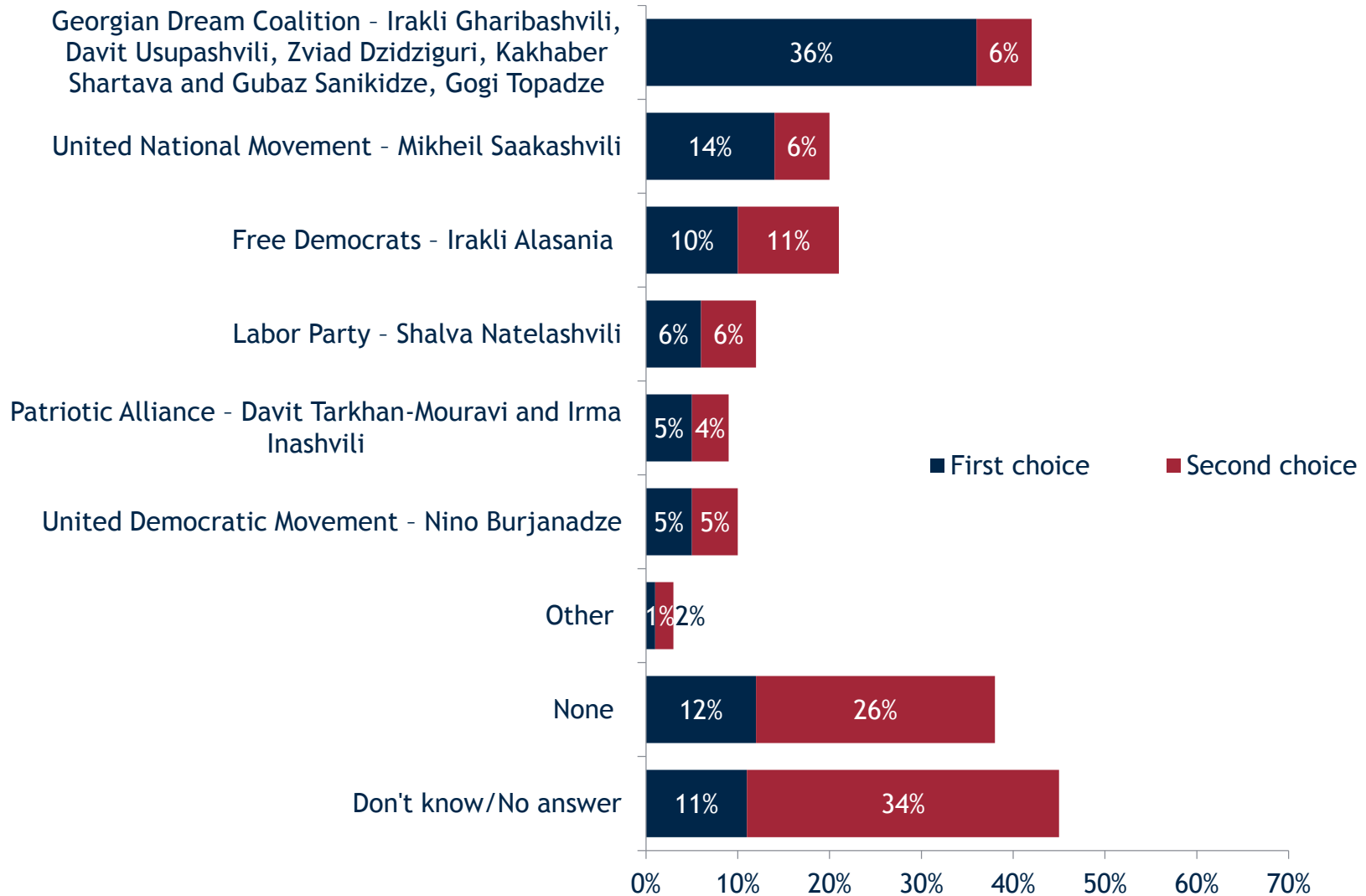


How likely, if at all, are you to vote in the next elections?

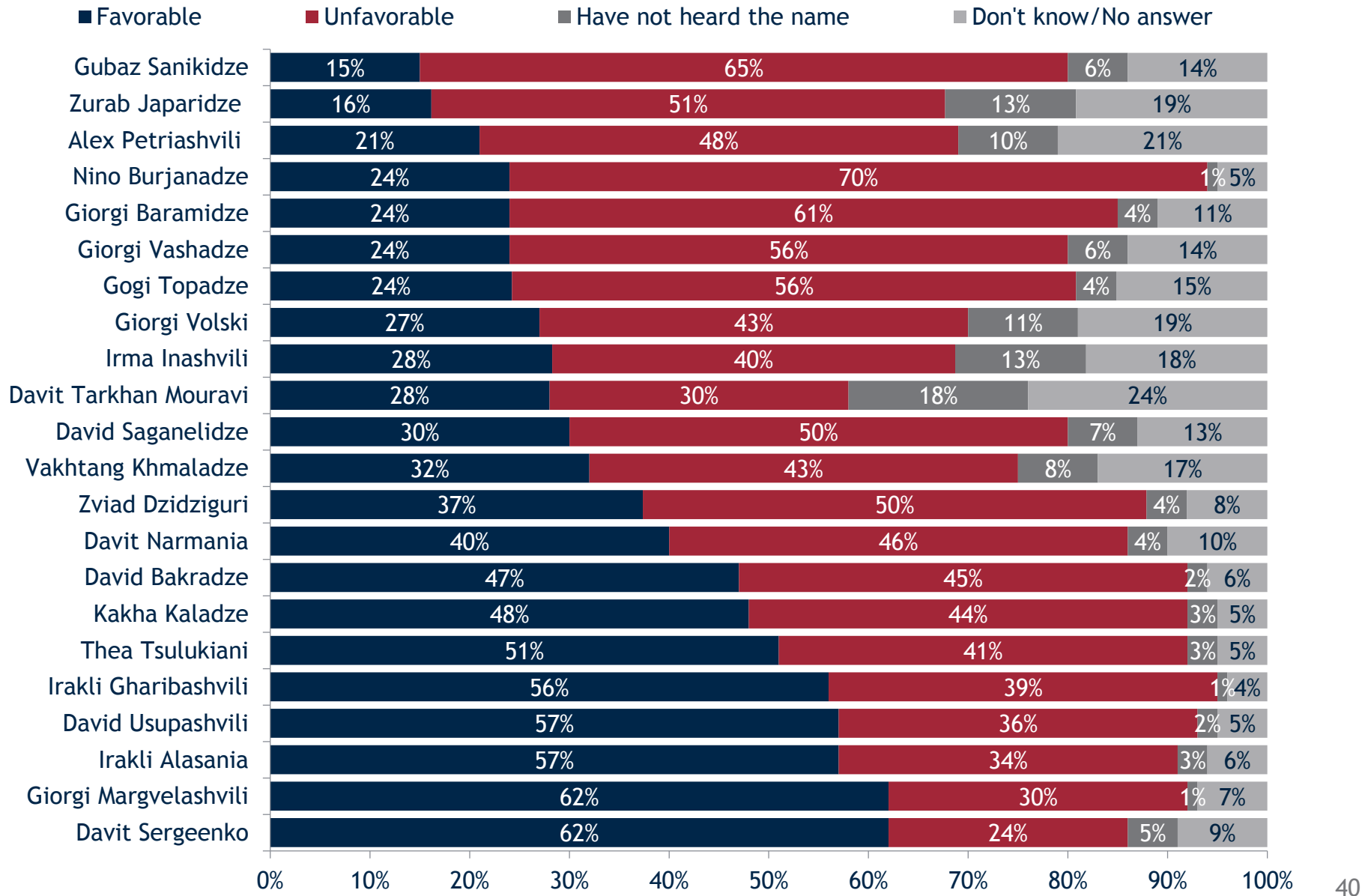


If the parliamentary elections were held next Sunday, which political party are you likely to vote for?

Likely voters, n=1,268



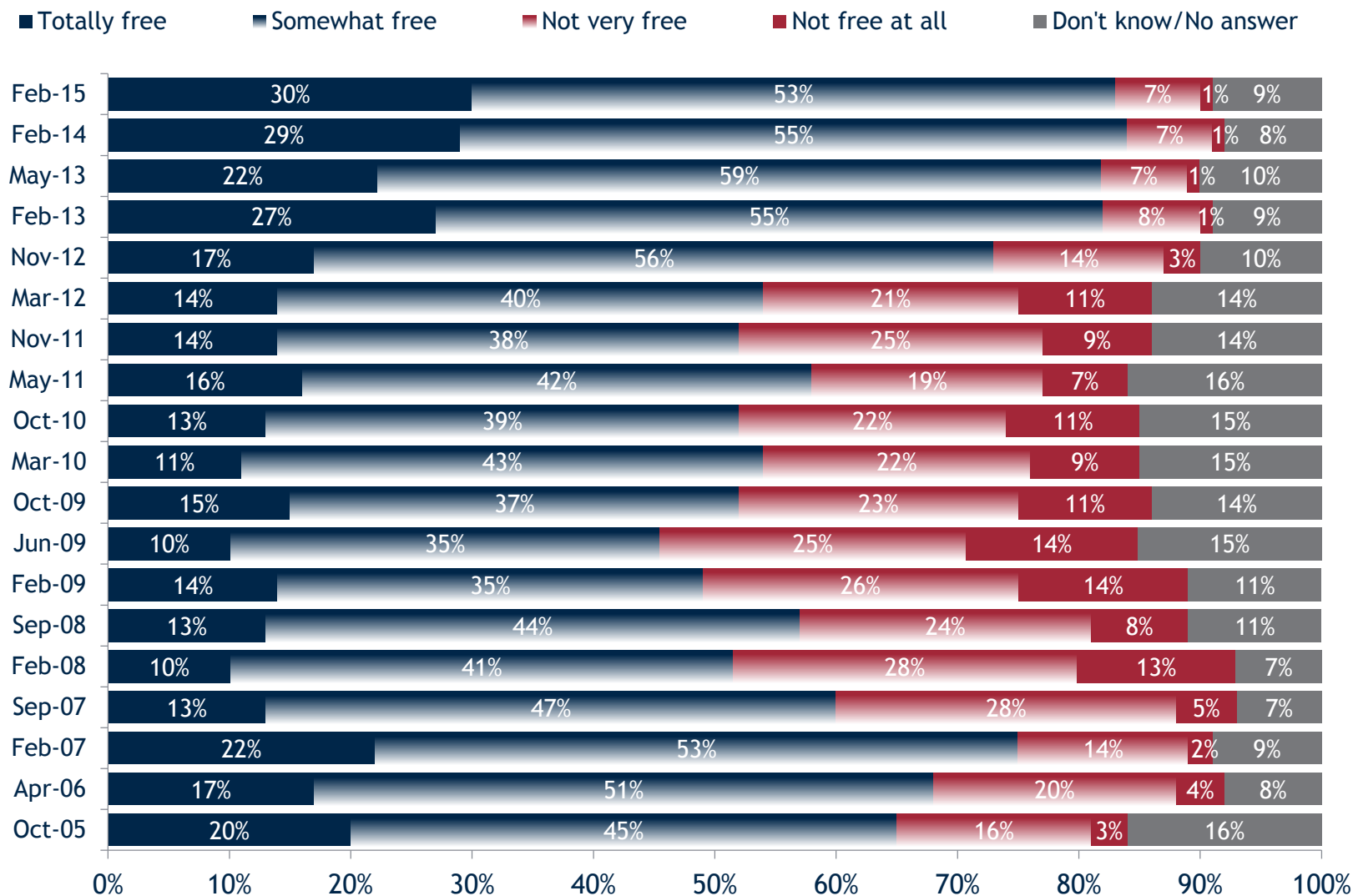
I am going to read you the names of Georgian politicians and other people who are well-known in Georgian society. Please tell me about each of them, is your opinion favorable or unfavorable?



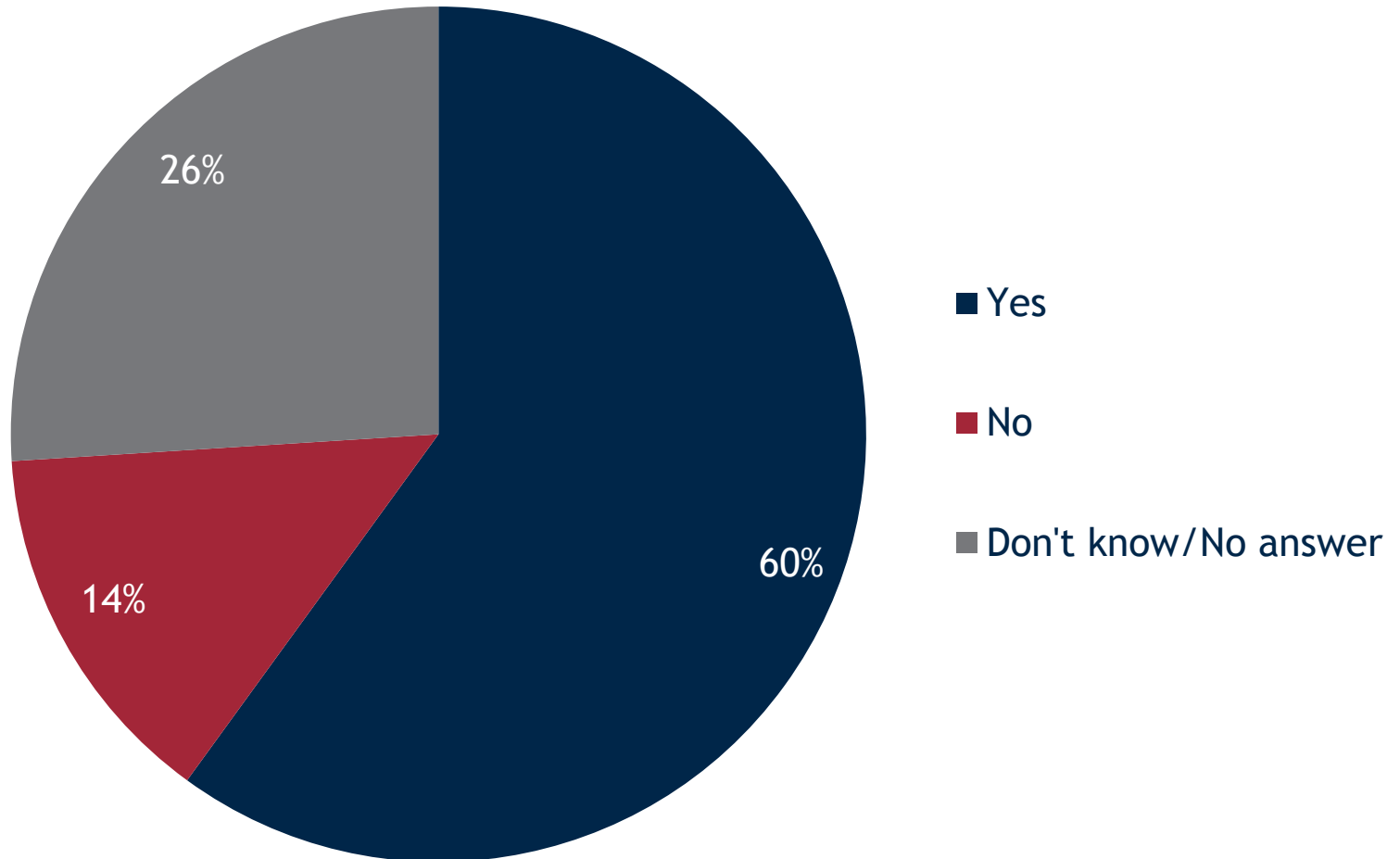


Sources of Information

Is Georgian mass media (TV, radio and press) free to express various political views?

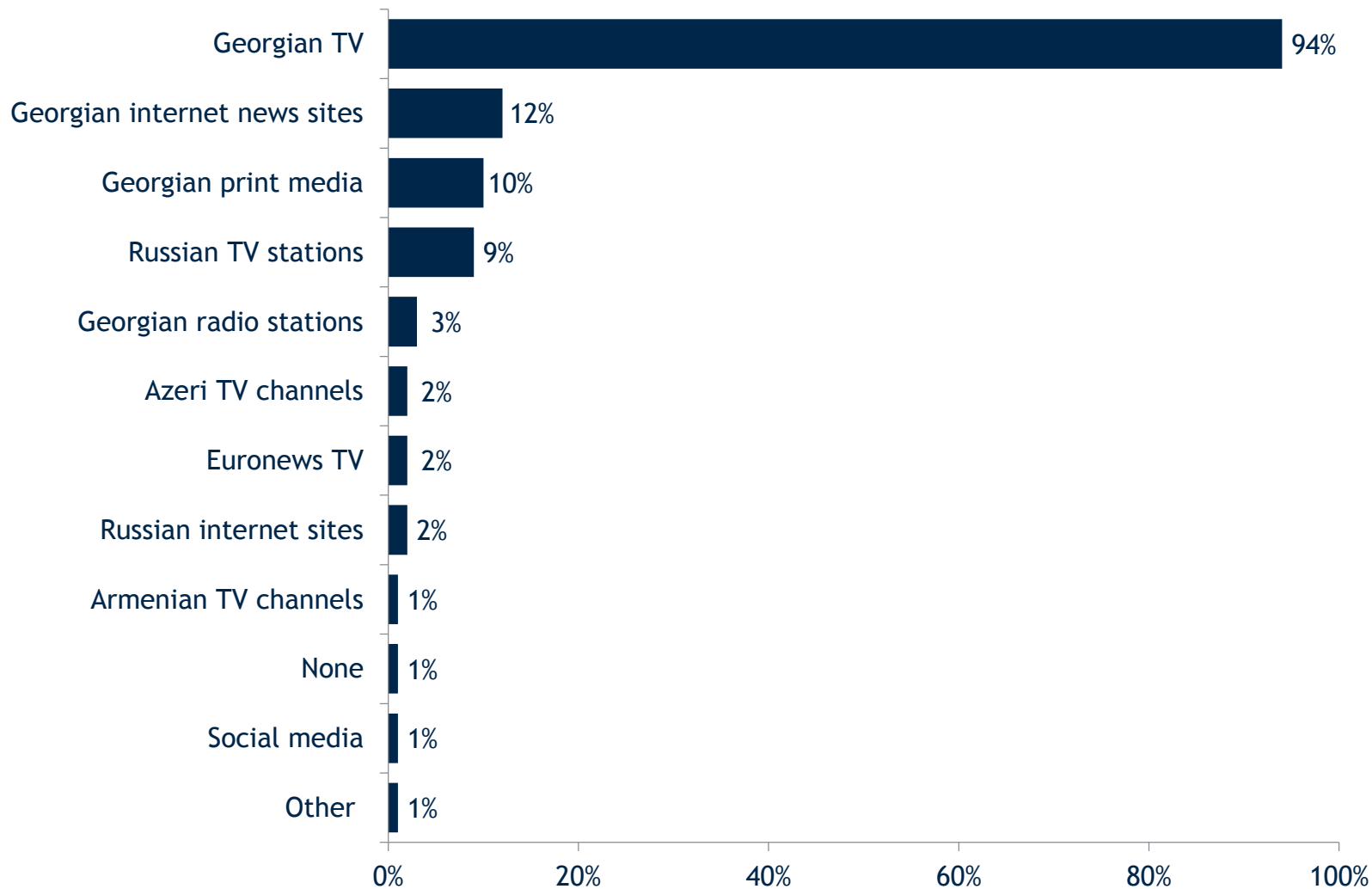


Do you feel that television stations offer a fair and balanced view of the political situation?



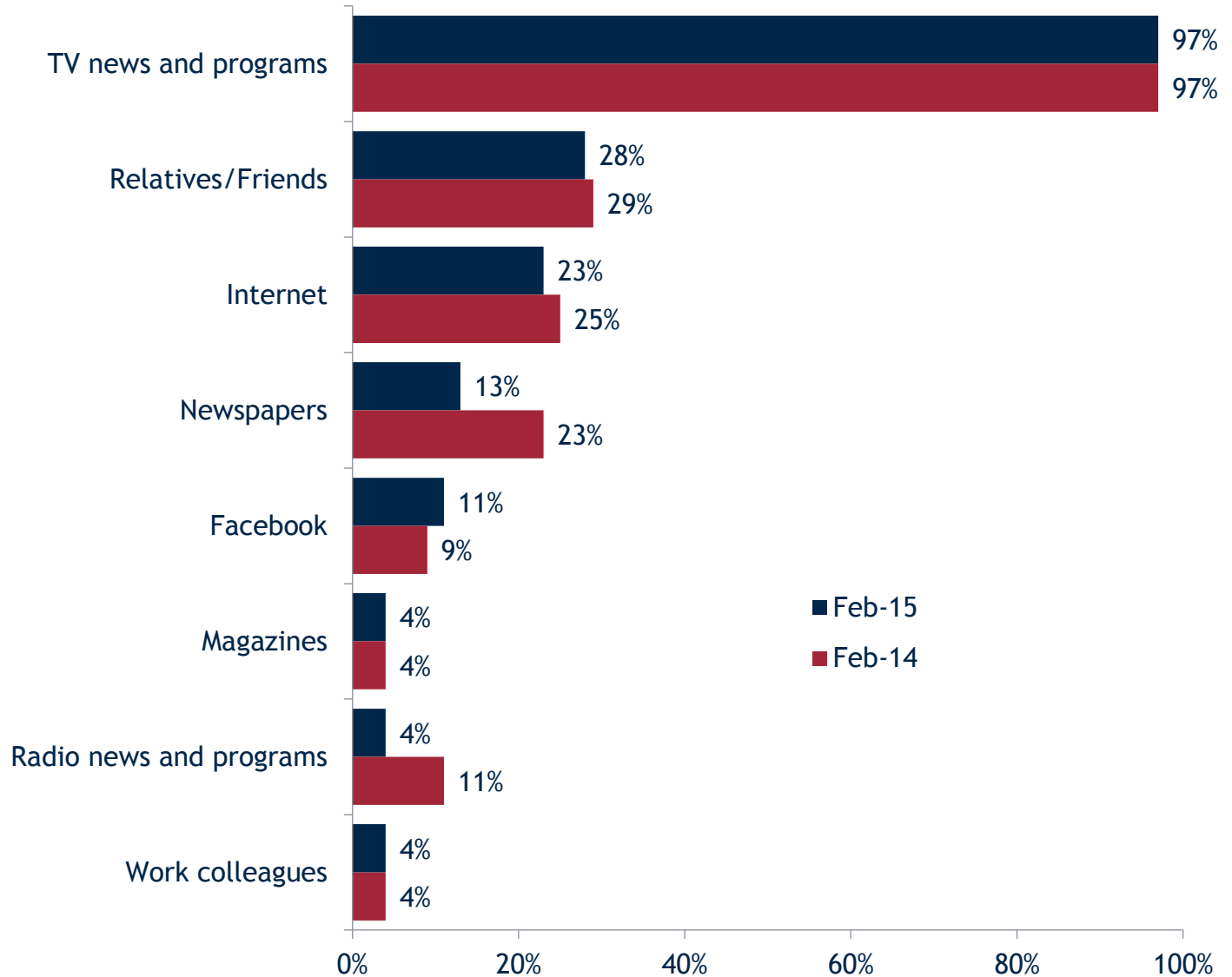
Which sources of information do you use for information about the current international situation, including events in Ukraine, Russia, the EU?

Mark all that apply



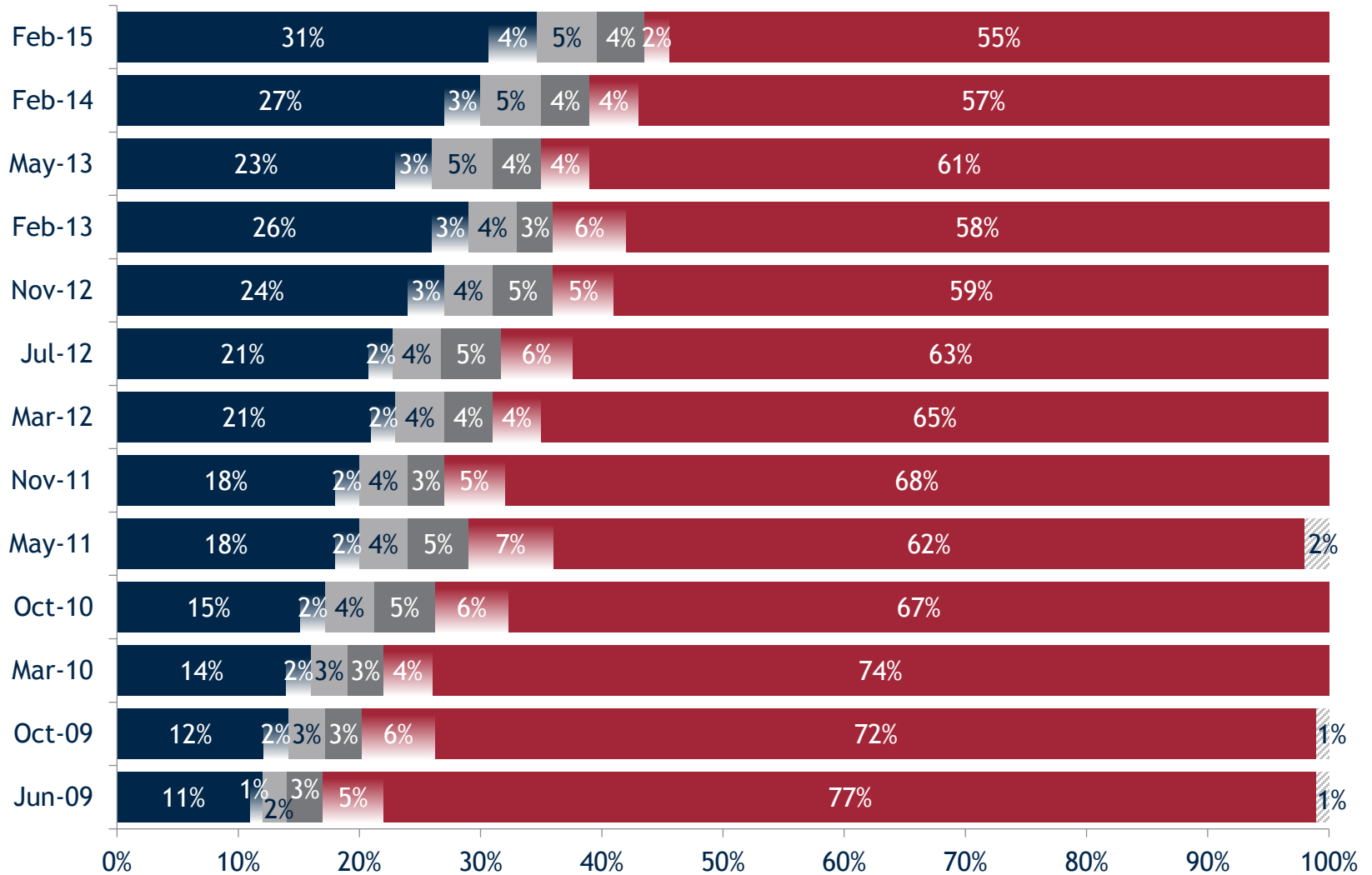
Which of these media outlets do you use for obtaining political information?

Several answers allowed

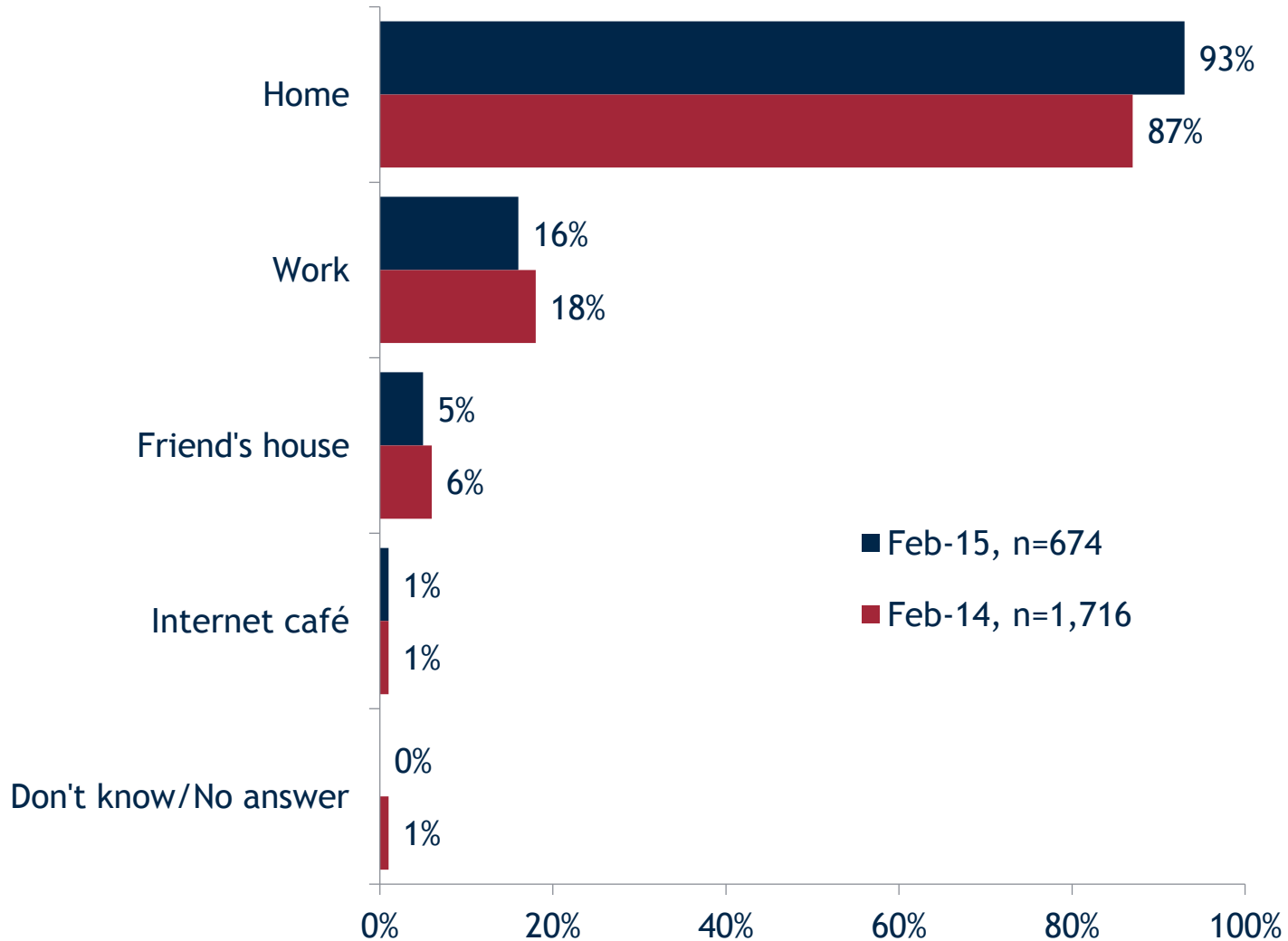


How many times per week do you access the Internet?

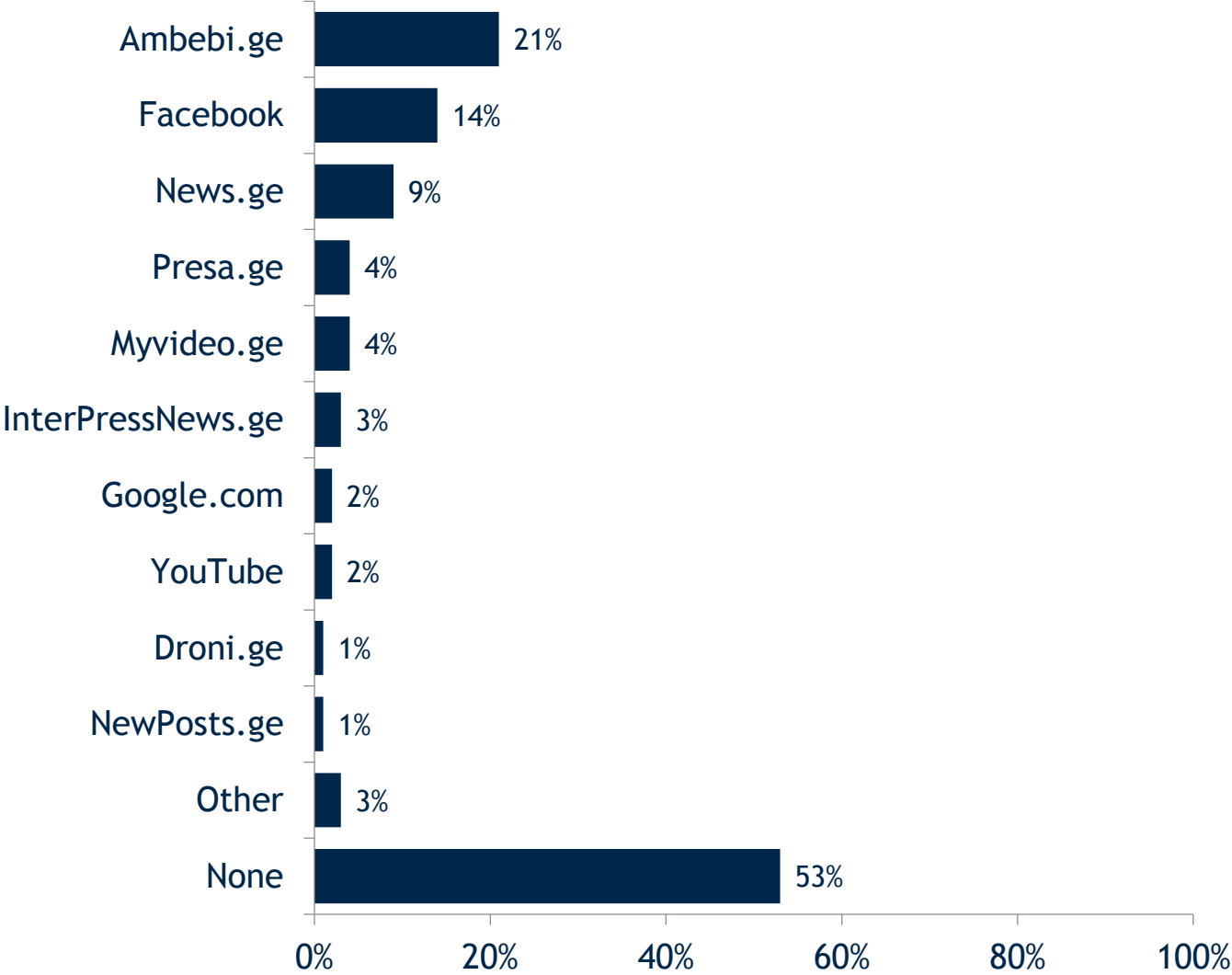
■ Every day
 ■ 5-6 times per week
 ■ 3-4 times per week
 ■ 1-2 times per week
 ■ Less often
 ■ Never
 ■ Don't know/No answer



Where do you access the Internet?



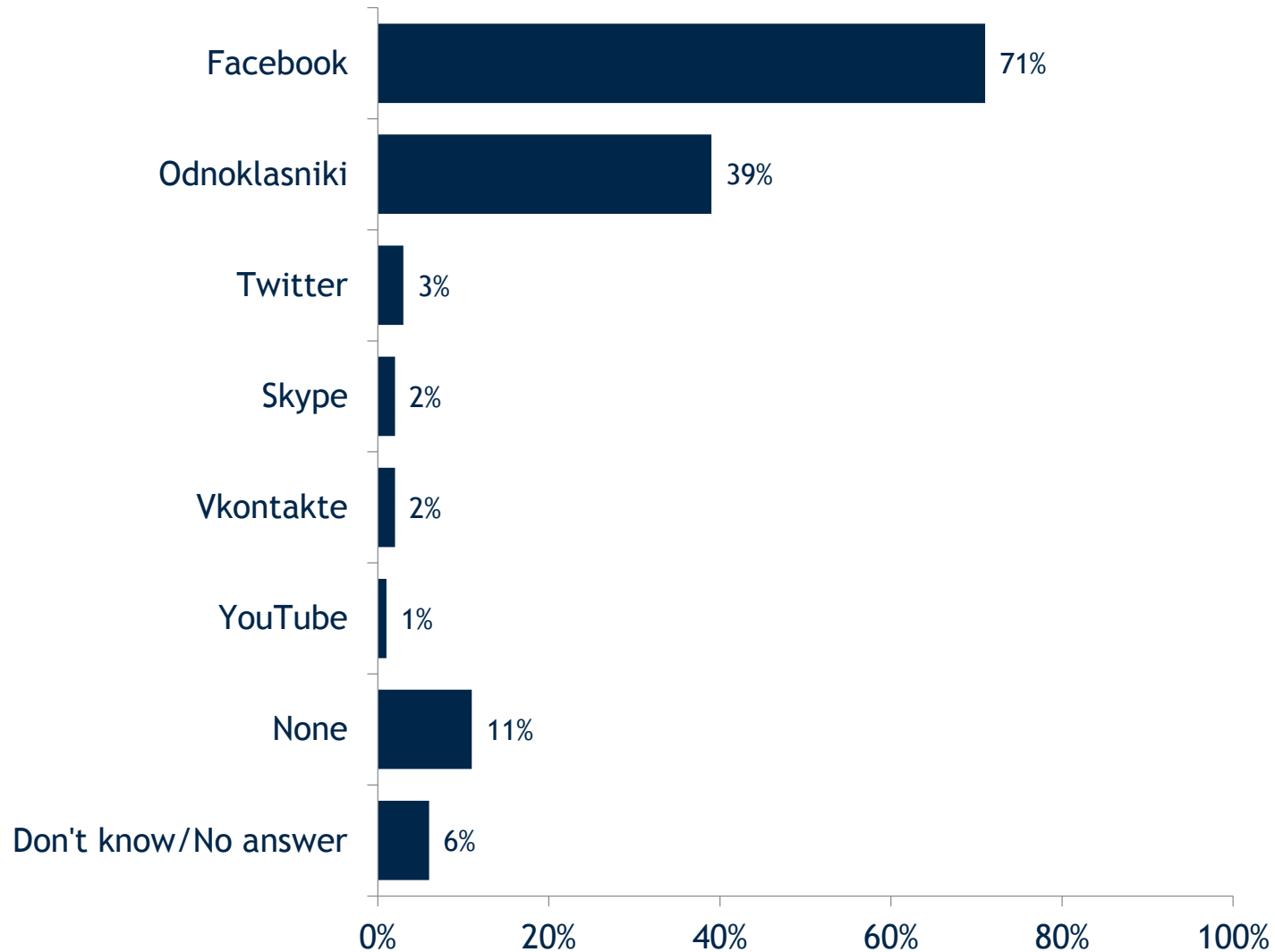
Which Internet sites do you visit most often for getting news? Internet users, n=674



Which social media sites do you use most often?

Three answers allowed

Internet users, n=674



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