



# Public Opinion Survey Residents of Kyrgyzstan

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February 10 - March 5, 2015

# Detailed Methodology

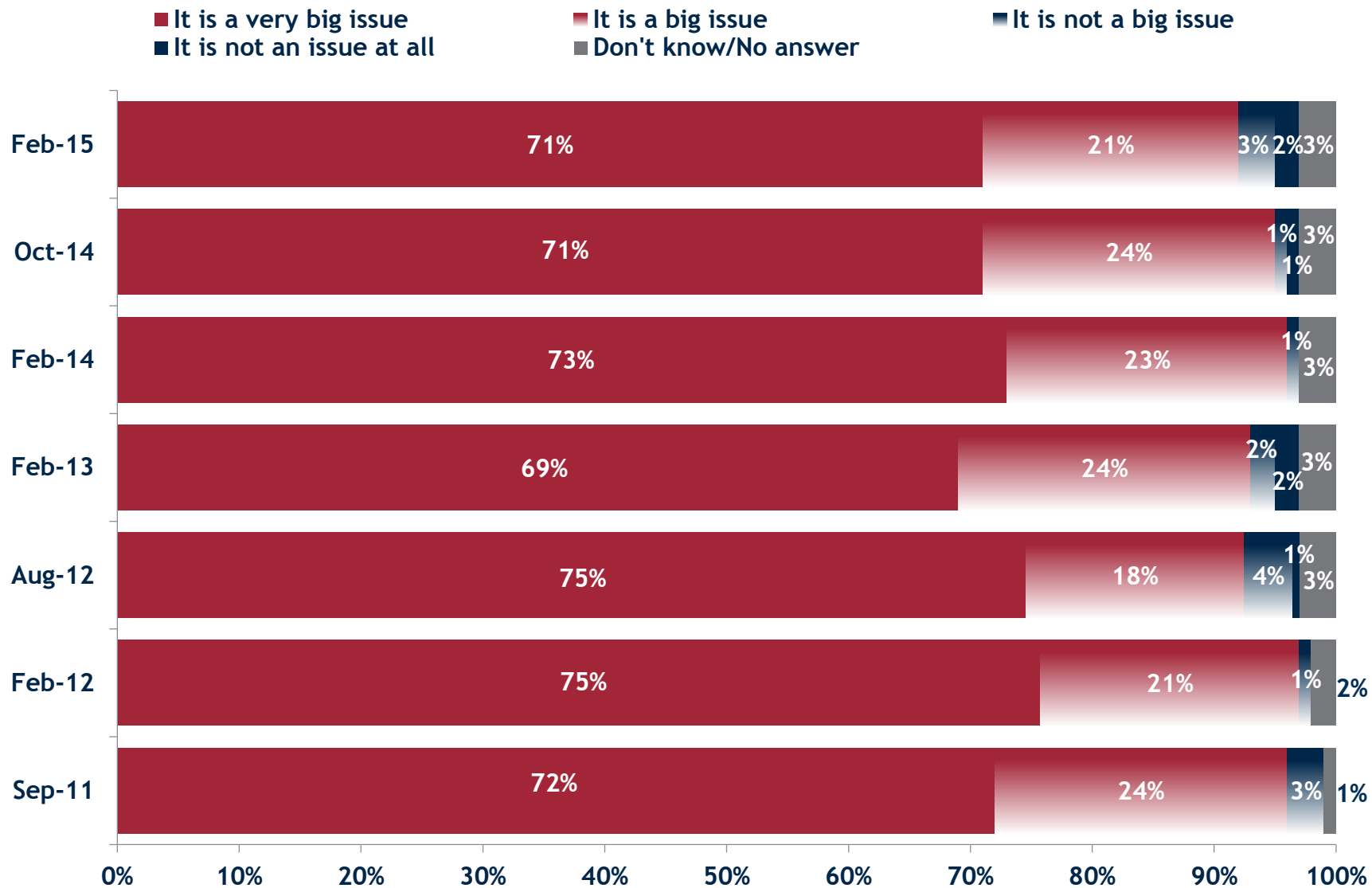
- The survey was conducted by the public opinion and market research company [Baltic Surveys/The Gallup Organization](#) on behalf of the [International Republican Institute](#). The field work was carried out by [SIAR Research and Consulting](#).
- Data was collected throughout Kyrgyzstan on February 10 - March 5, 2015 through face-to-face interviews at respondents' homes.
- The sample consisted of 1,500 permanent residents of Kyrgyzstan 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 Kish table respondent's selection procedures.
  - Stage one: All districts of Kyrgyzstan are grouped into seven regions and Bishkek. All regions of Kyrgyzstan were surveyed.
  - 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 64 percent.
- Charts and graphs may not add up to 100 percent due to rounding.
- Interviews were conducted in Kyrgyz, Russian and Uzbek languages.
- The survey was funded by the [U.S. Agency for International Development](#).



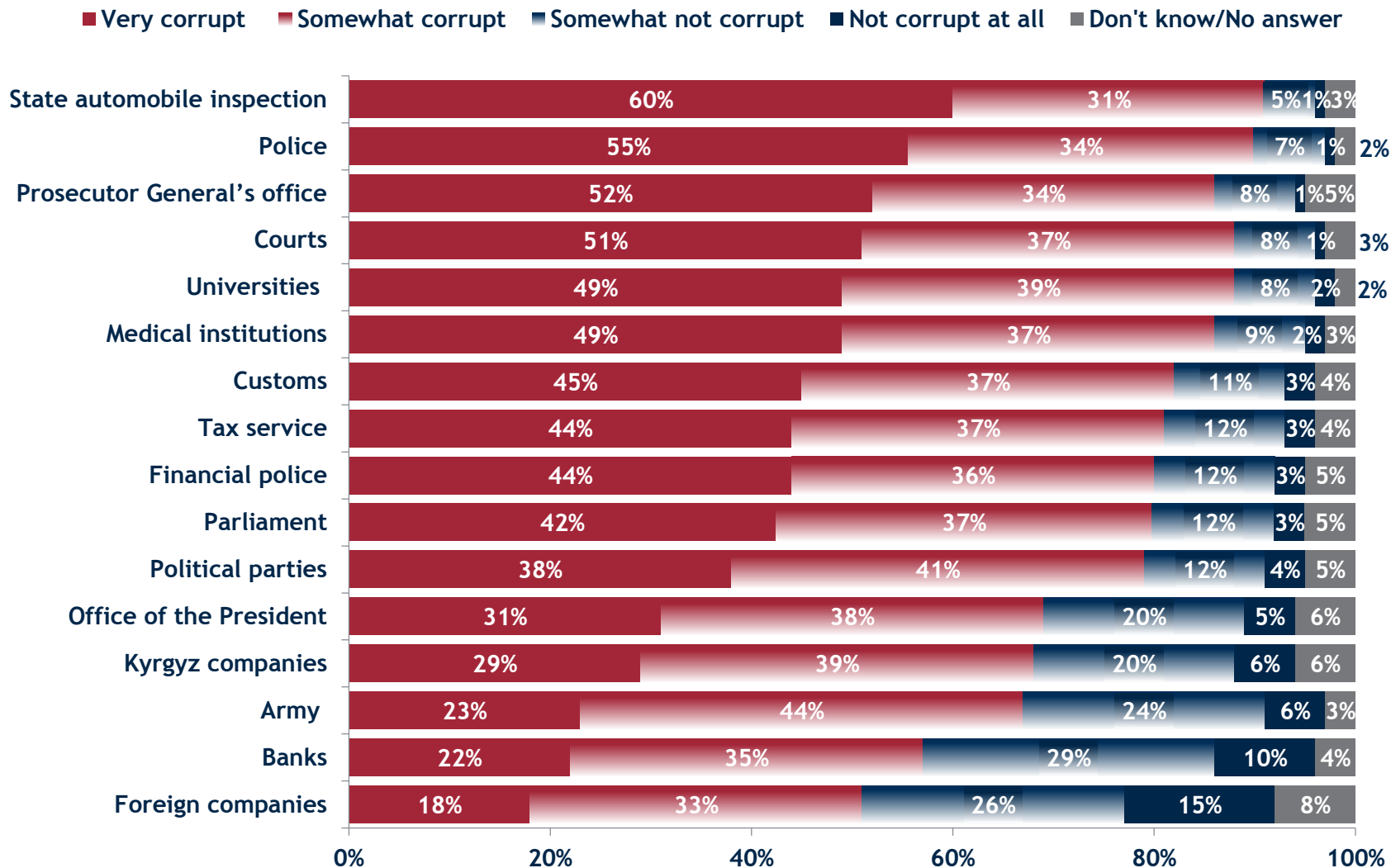
# Deep Concerns Over Corruption; Overall Government Performance

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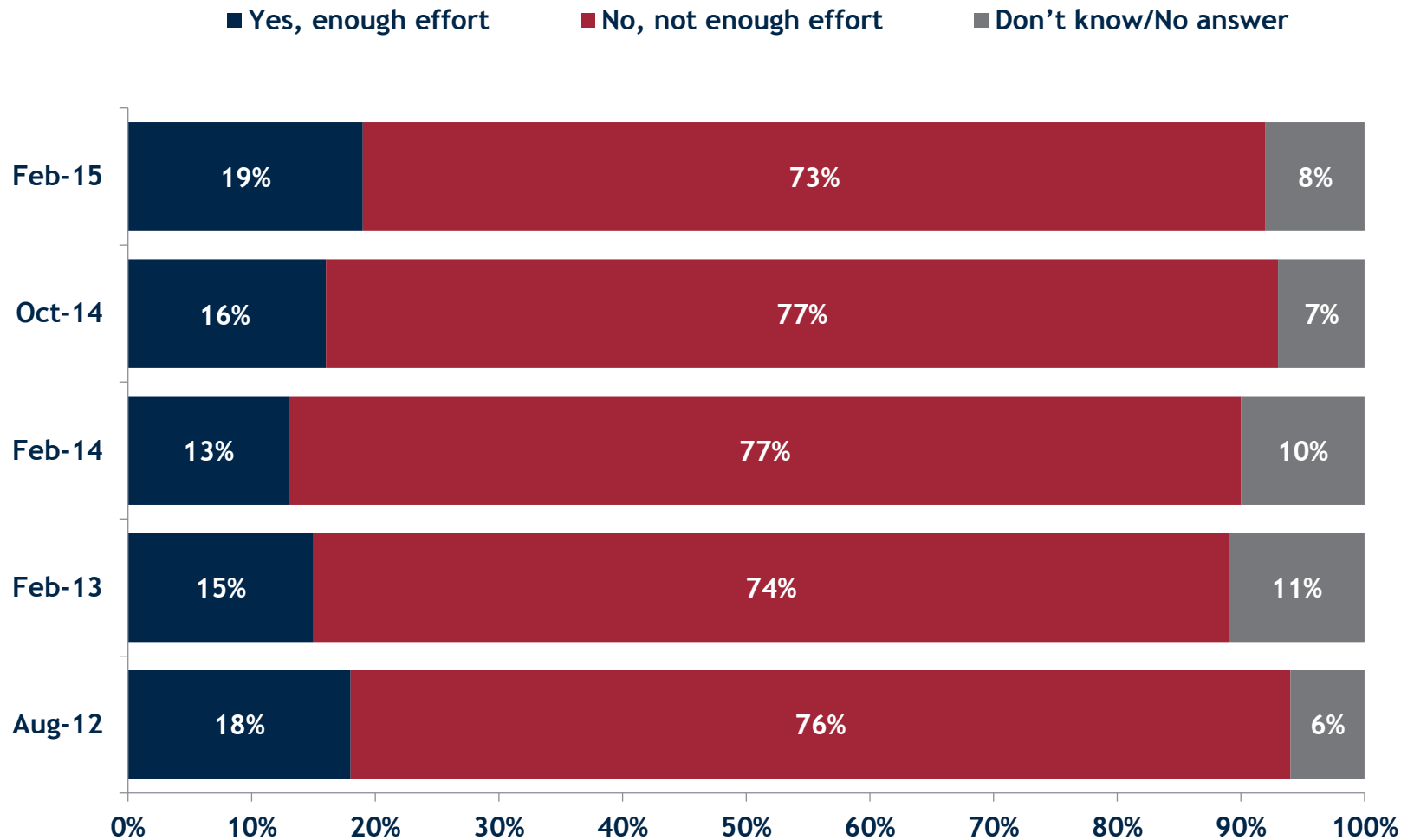
# Is corruption a big problem in Kyrgyzstan today?



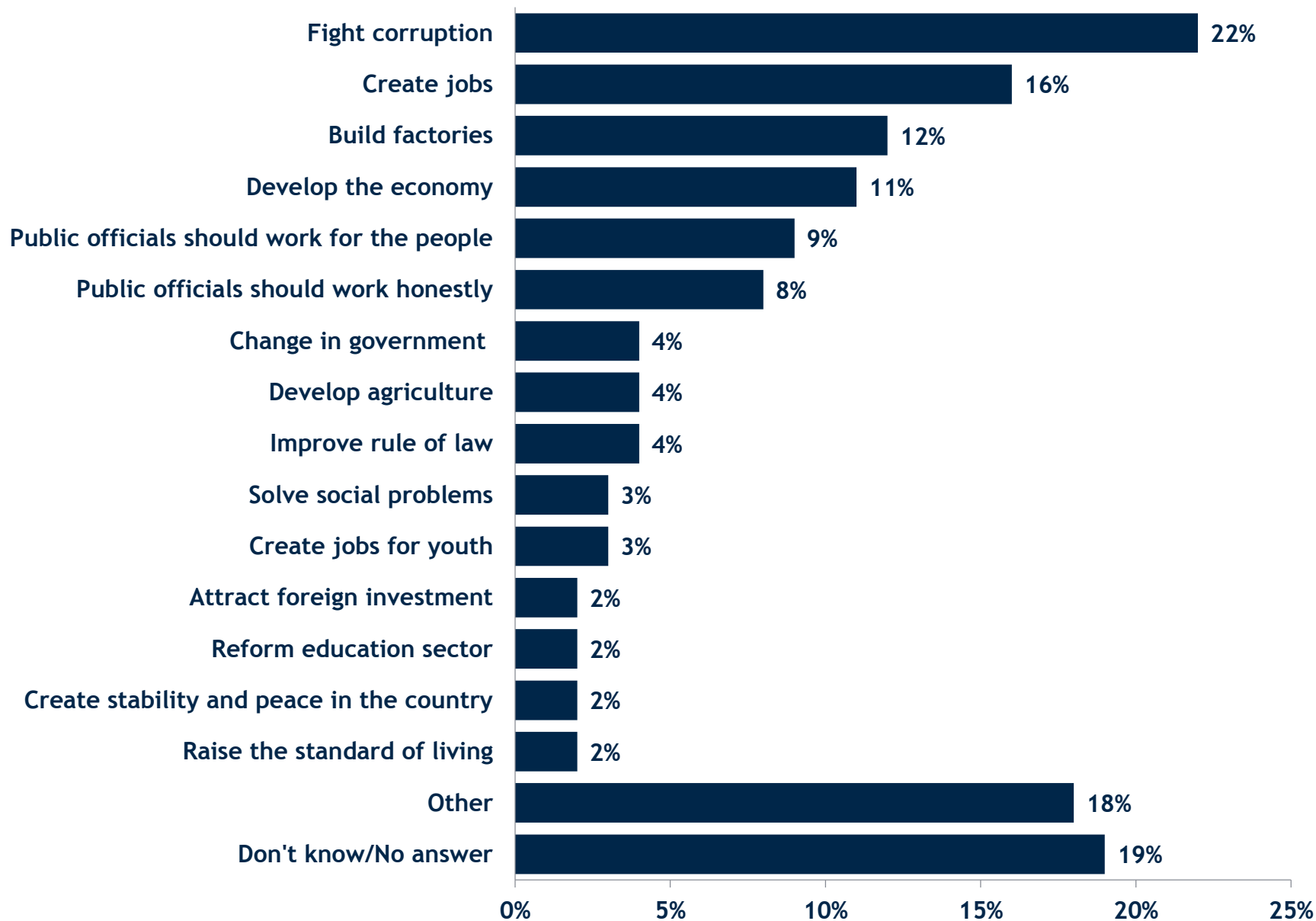
# I will read out names of different organizations. In your opinion, are they very corrupt, somewhat corrupt, somewhat not corrupt or not corrupt at all?



# Do you think the Kyrgyz government applies enough effort to fight corruption?

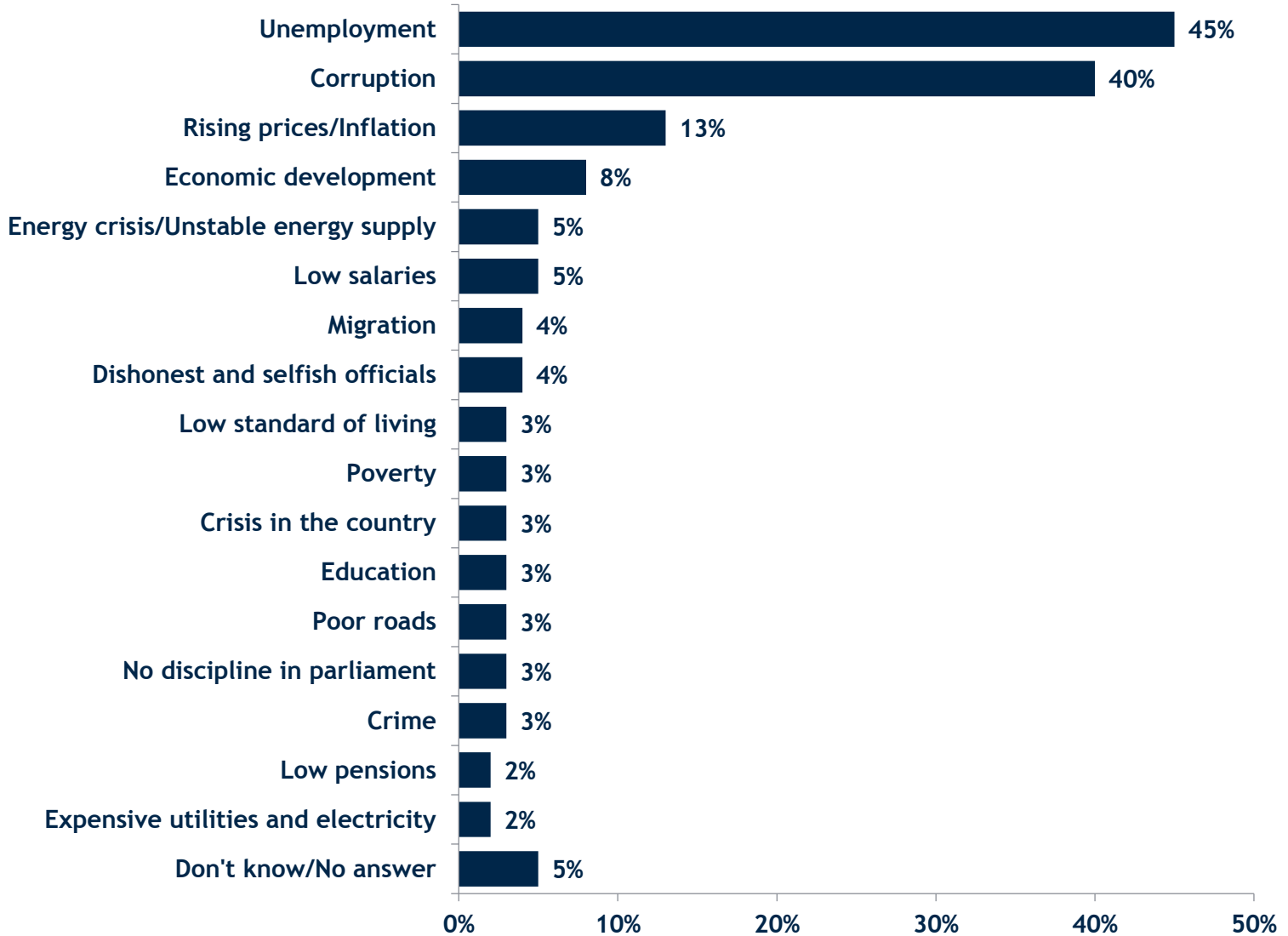


# In your opinion, what actions would move Kyrgyzstan in the right direction?



# What are the most important problems that Kyrgyzstan is facing?

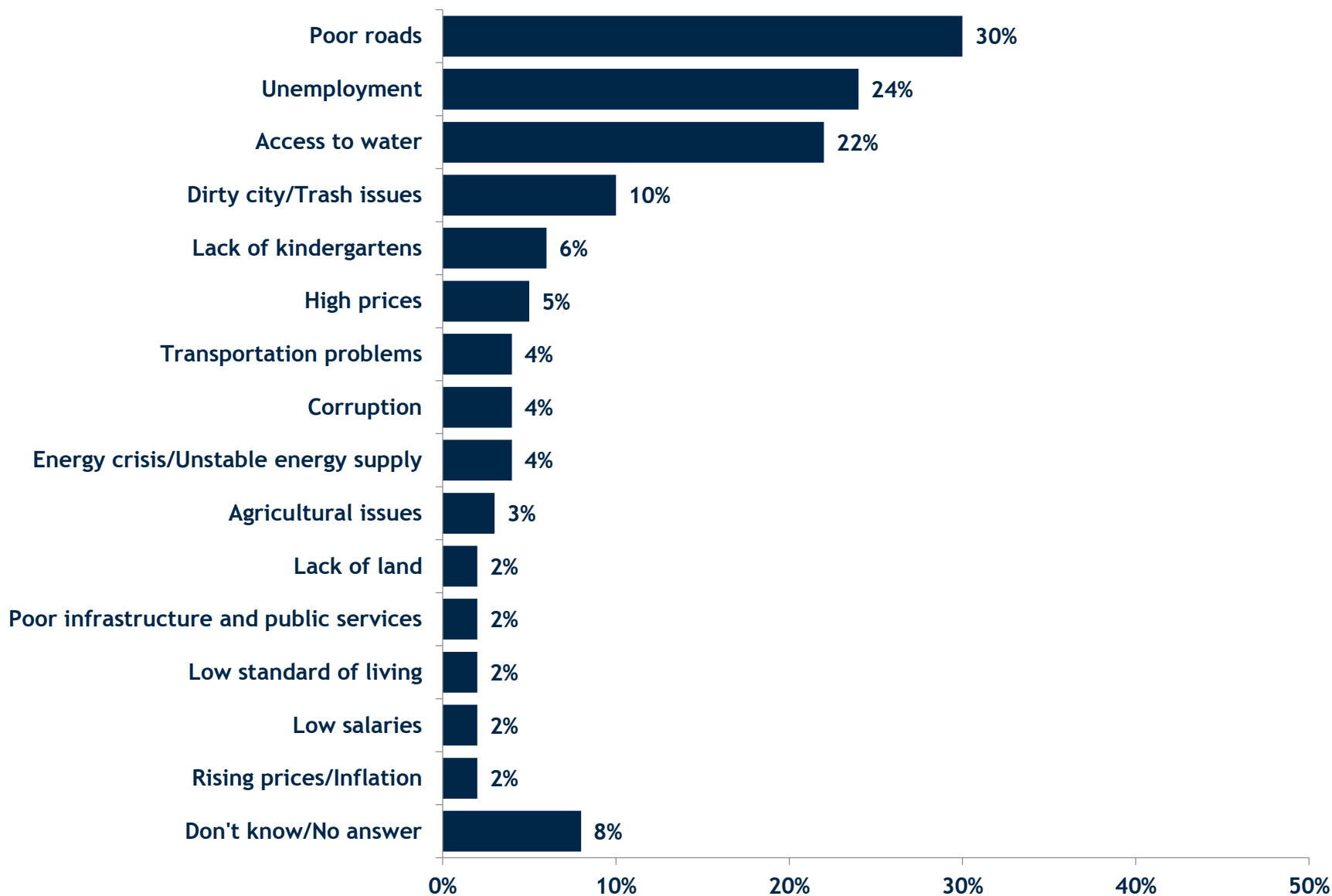
Three answers allowed





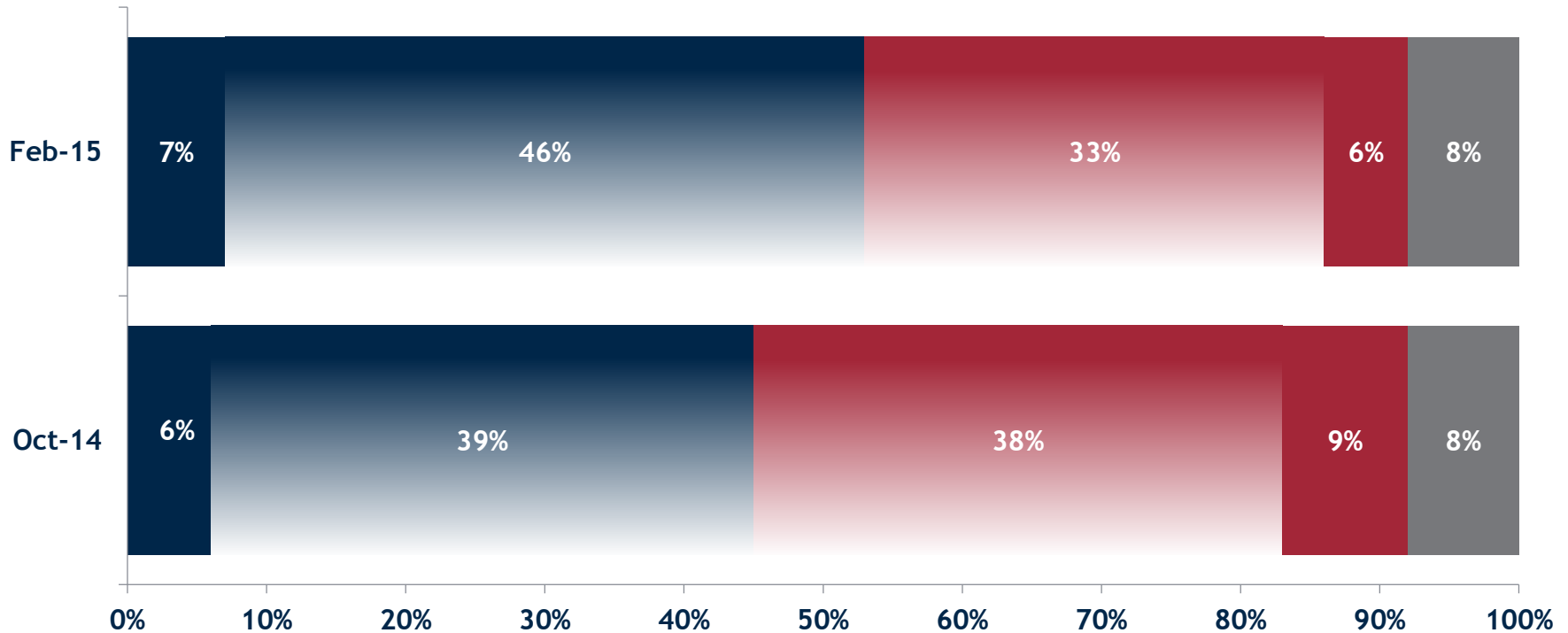
# What are the most important problems that your town/village are facing?

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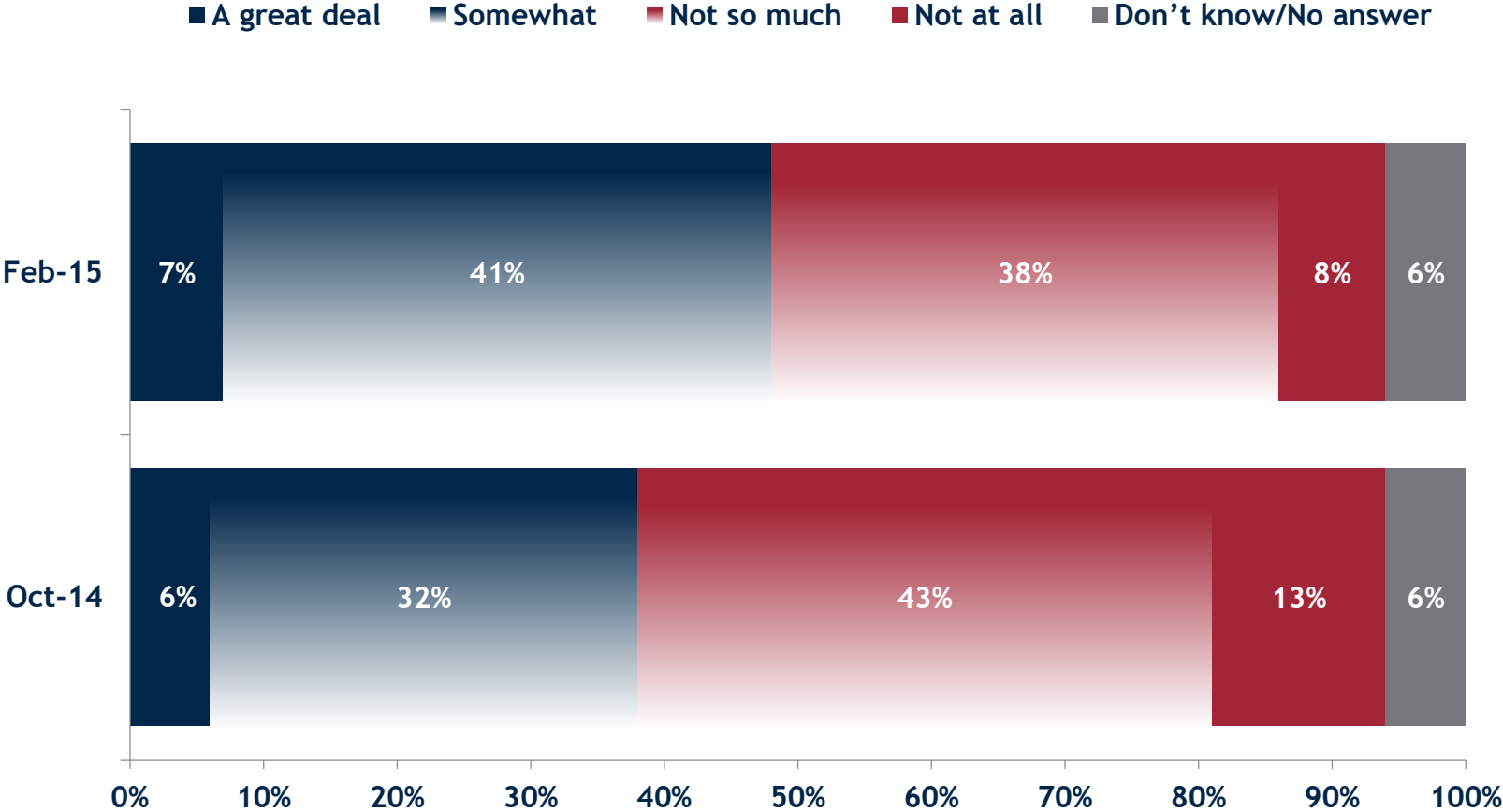


# Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Kyrgyz government is doing their job?

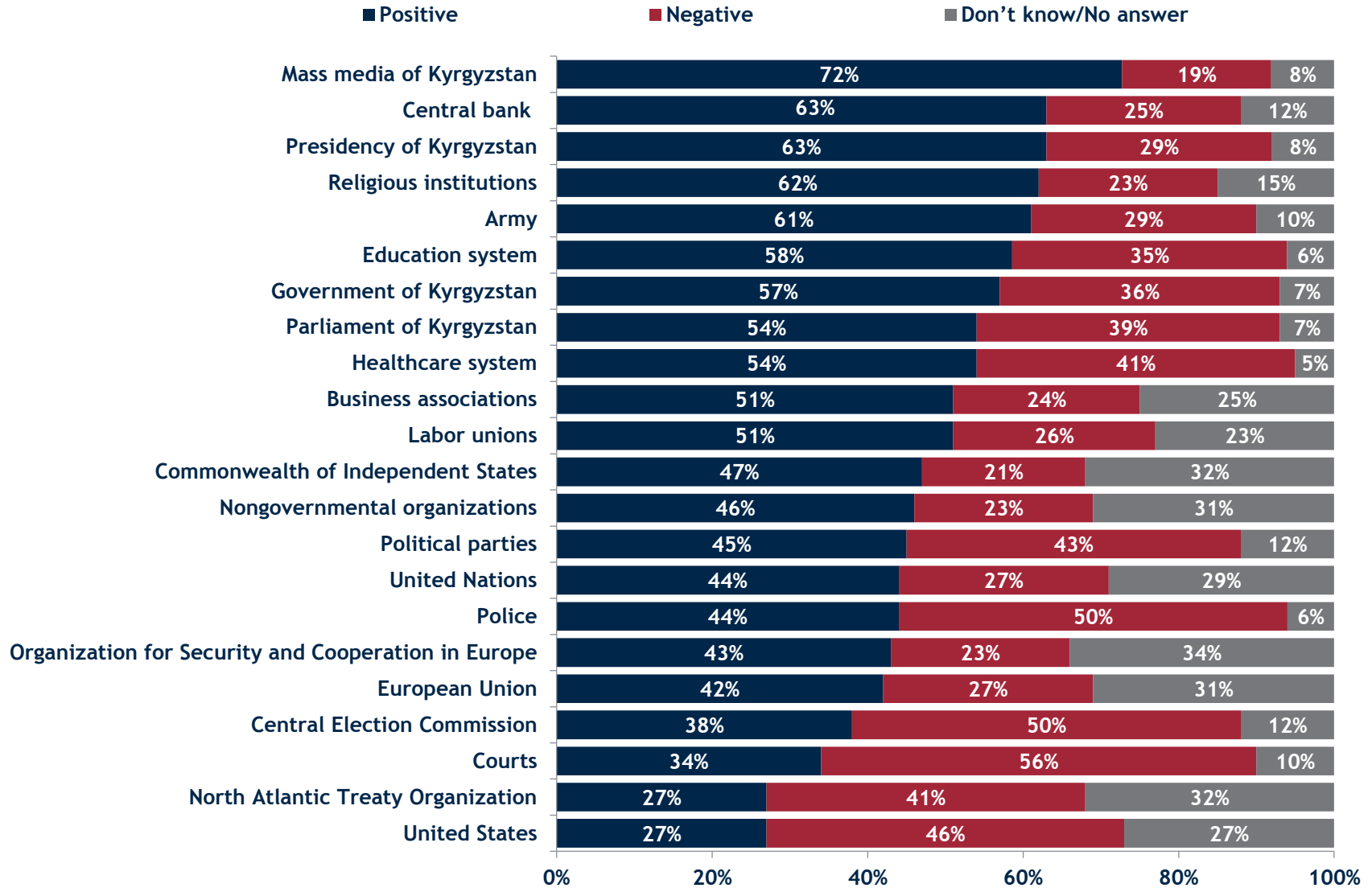
■ Strongly approve ■ Somewhat approve ■ Somewhat disapprove ■ Strongly disapprove ■ Don't know/No answer



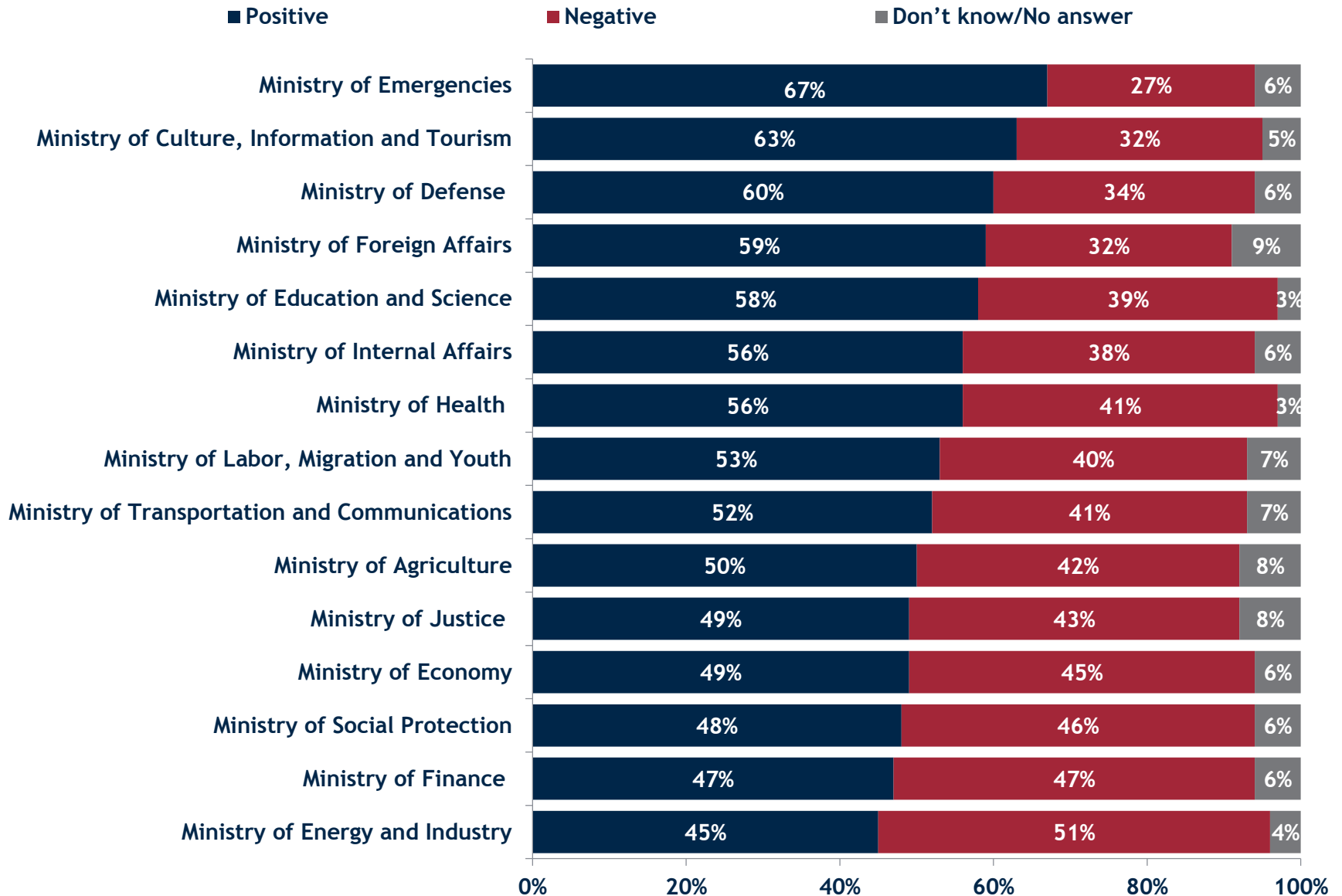
# Overall, how much do you feel you can trust the Kyrgyz government to do what is right?



# What is your opinion of the work of each of the following institutions?



# What is your opinion about the activity of each of these ministries?

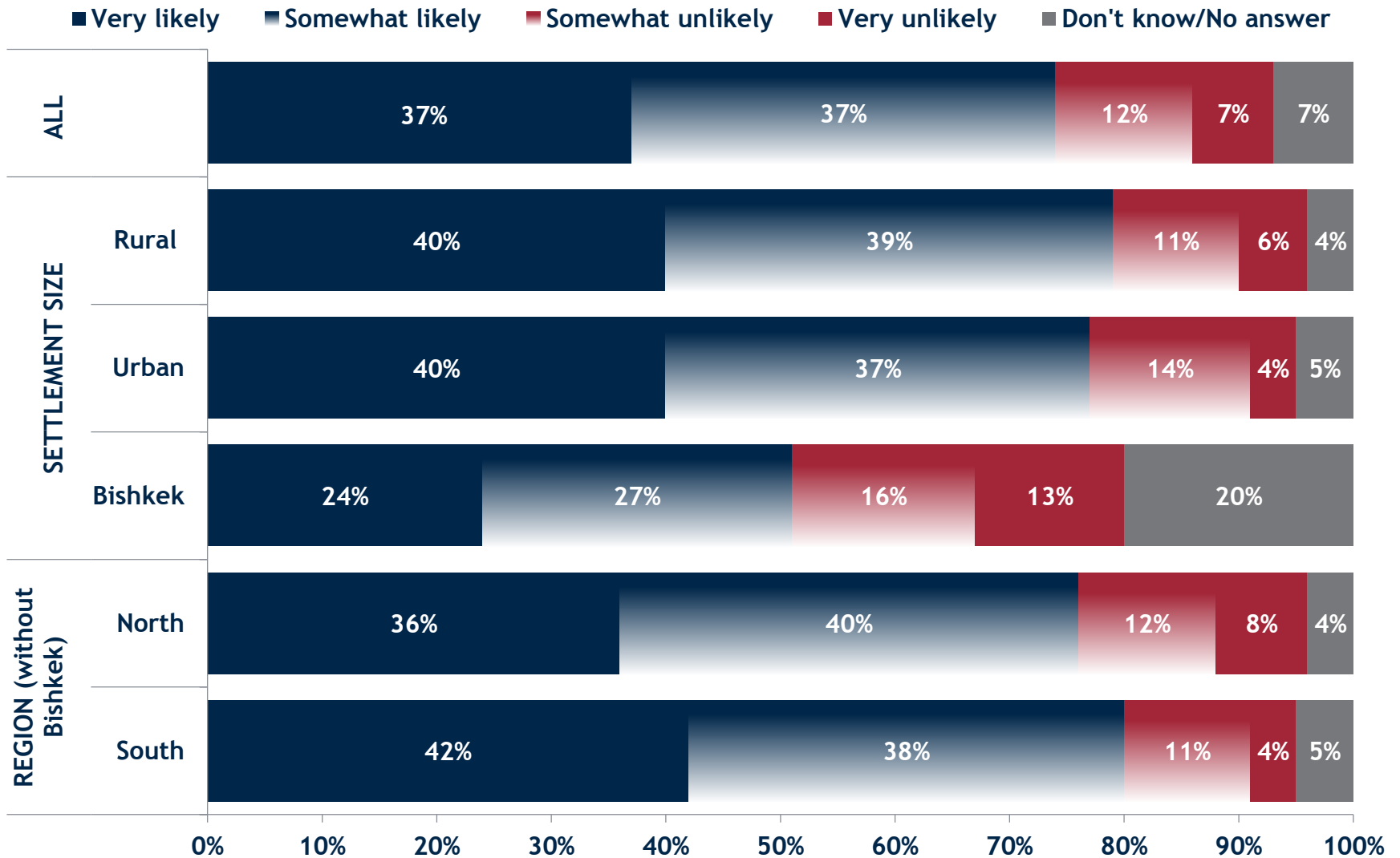




# Support for Elections and Democracy

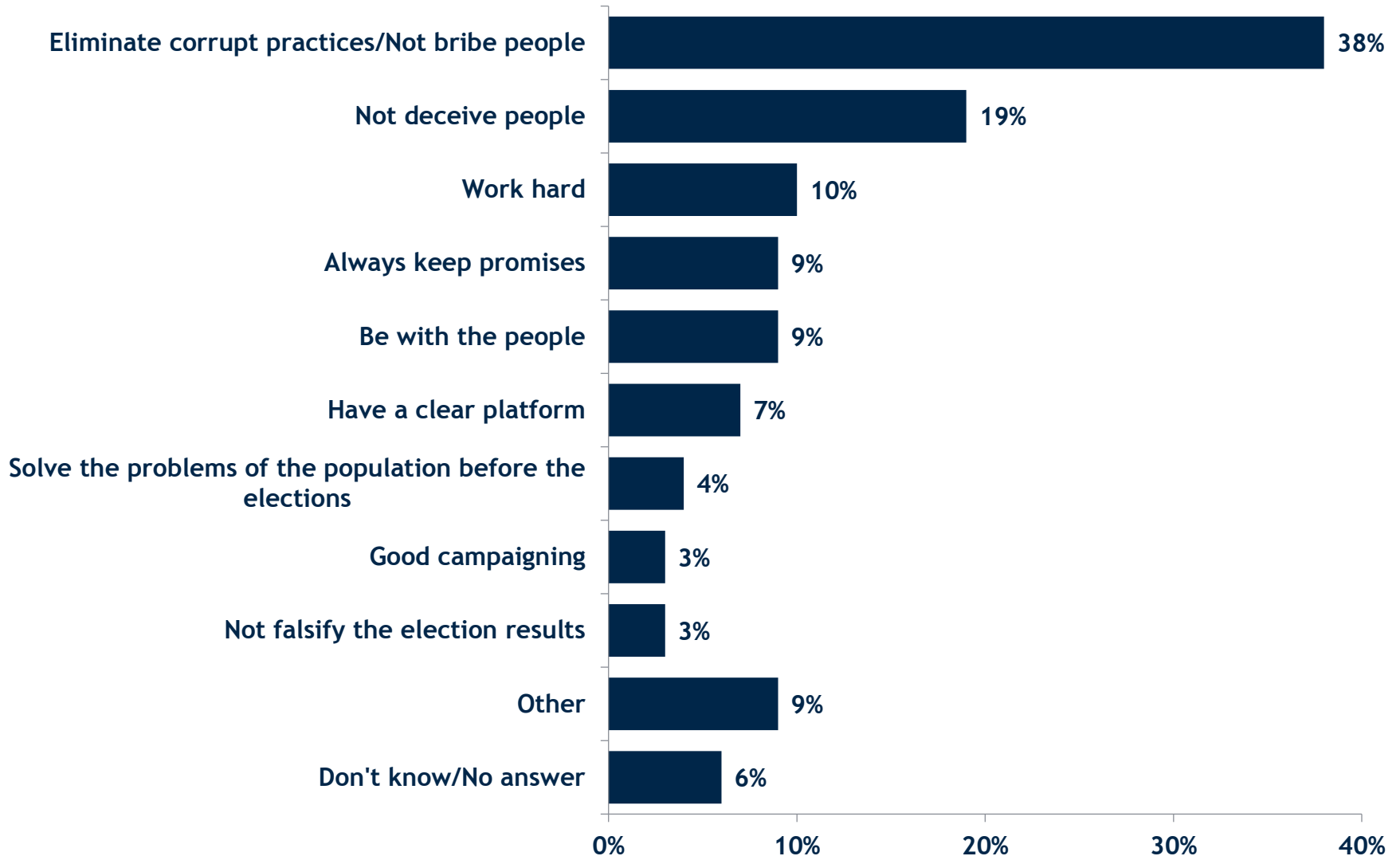
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# How likely, if at all, are you to vote in the next elections?



# In your opinion, how should political parties prepare for the 2015 parliamentary elections?

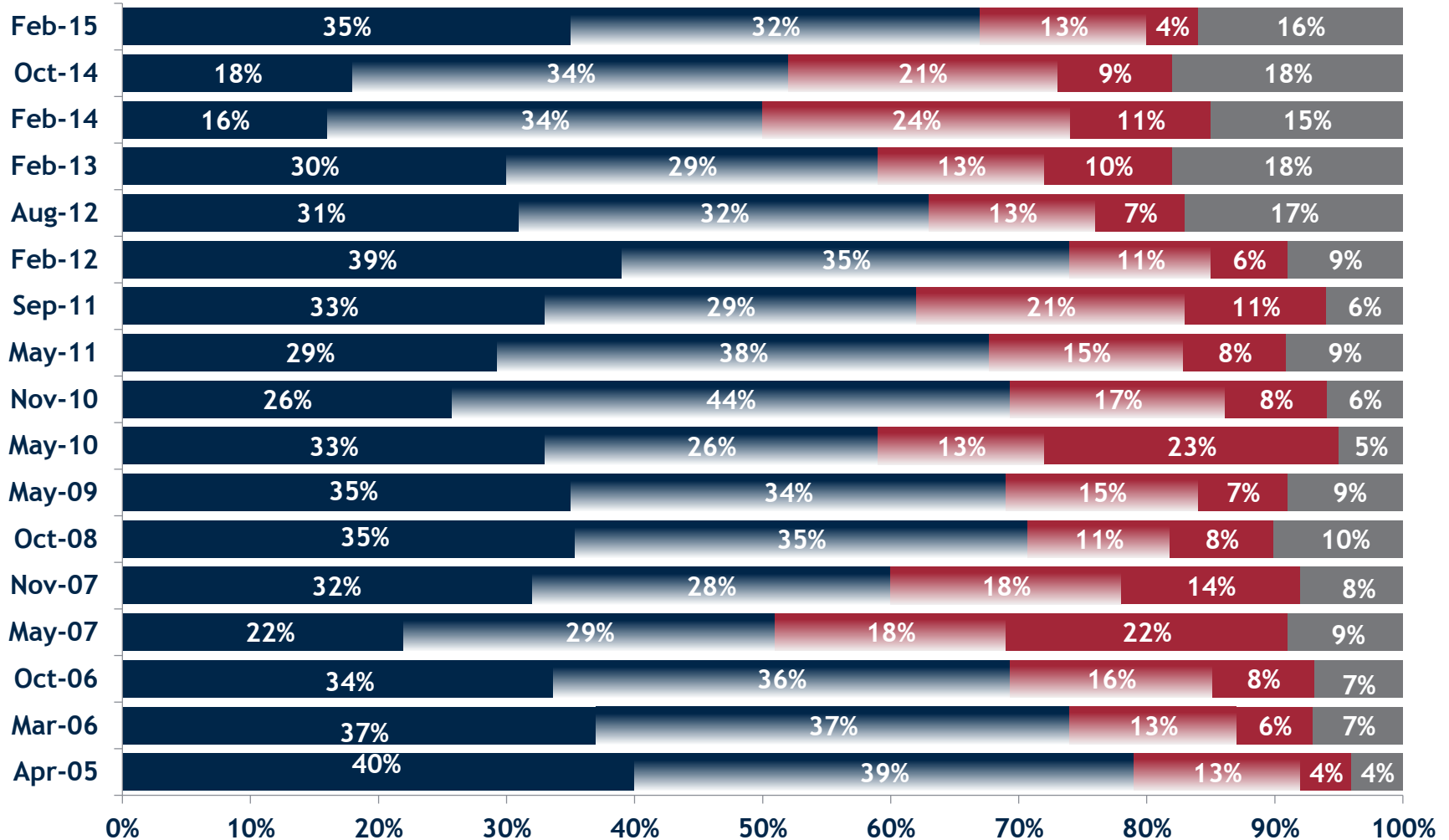
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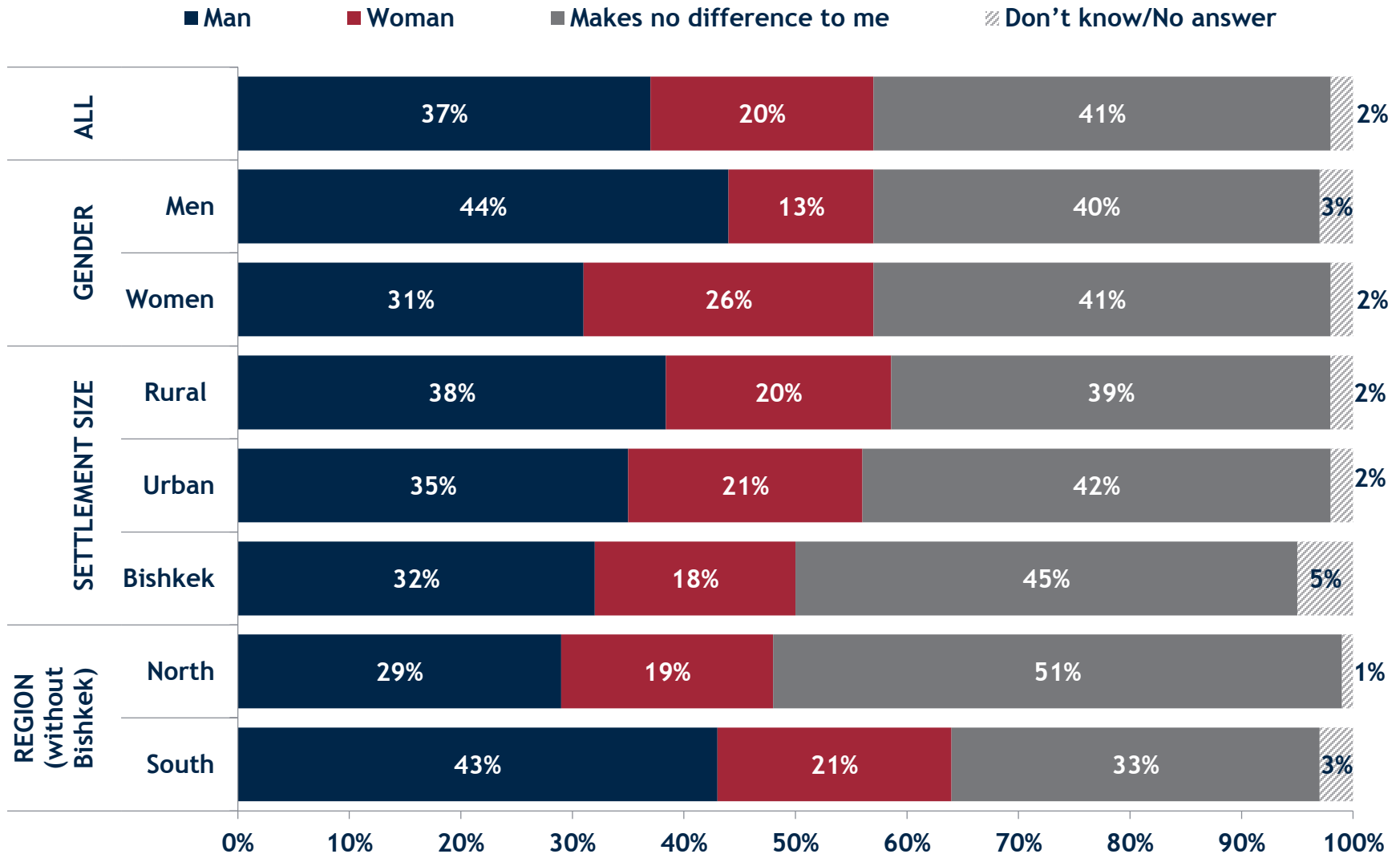


# Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? It is healthy for Kyrgyzstan to have an active opposition.

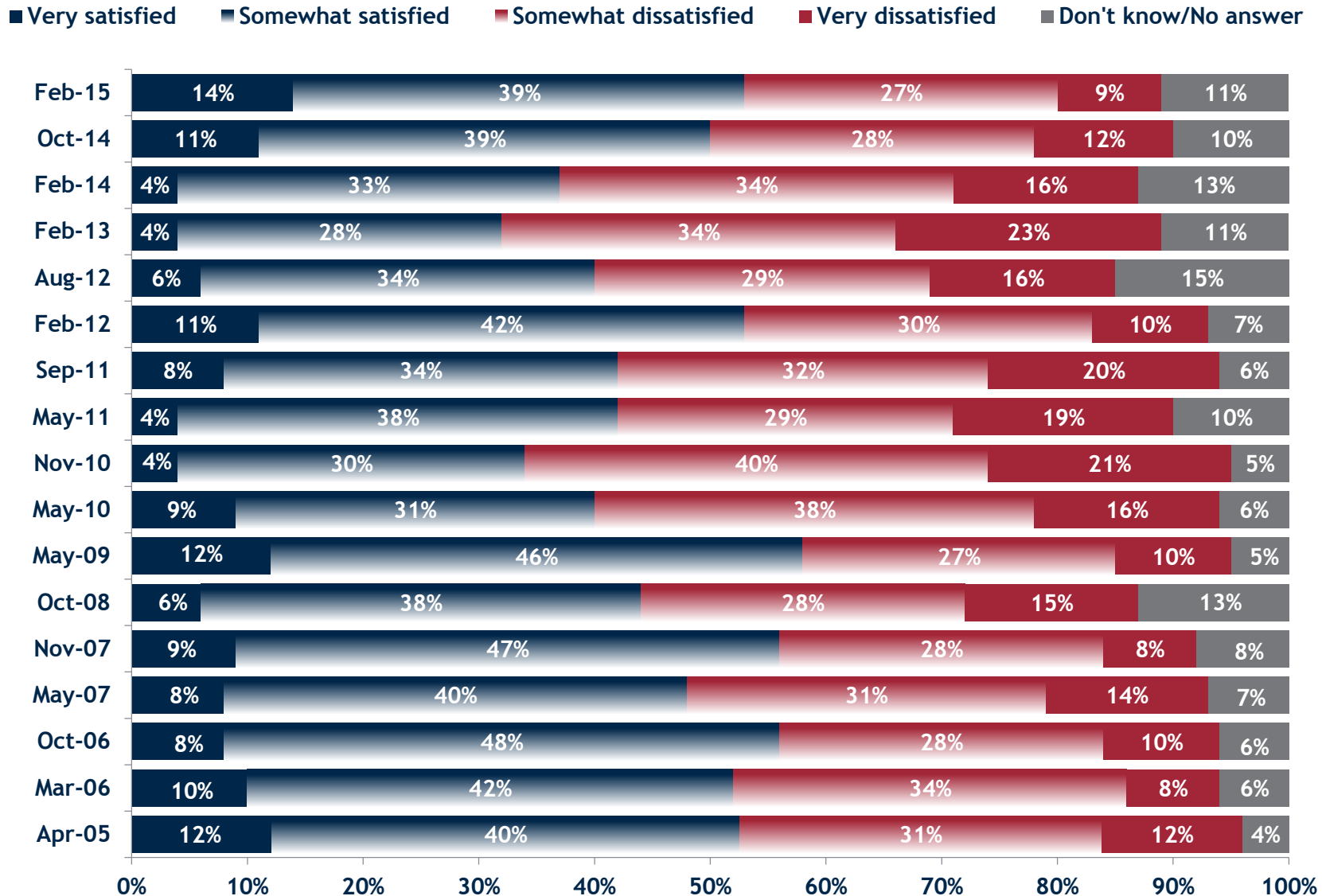
■ Fully agree  
 ■ Somewhat agree  
 ■ Somewhat disagree  
 ■ Fully disagree  
 ■ Don't know/No answer



# 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?

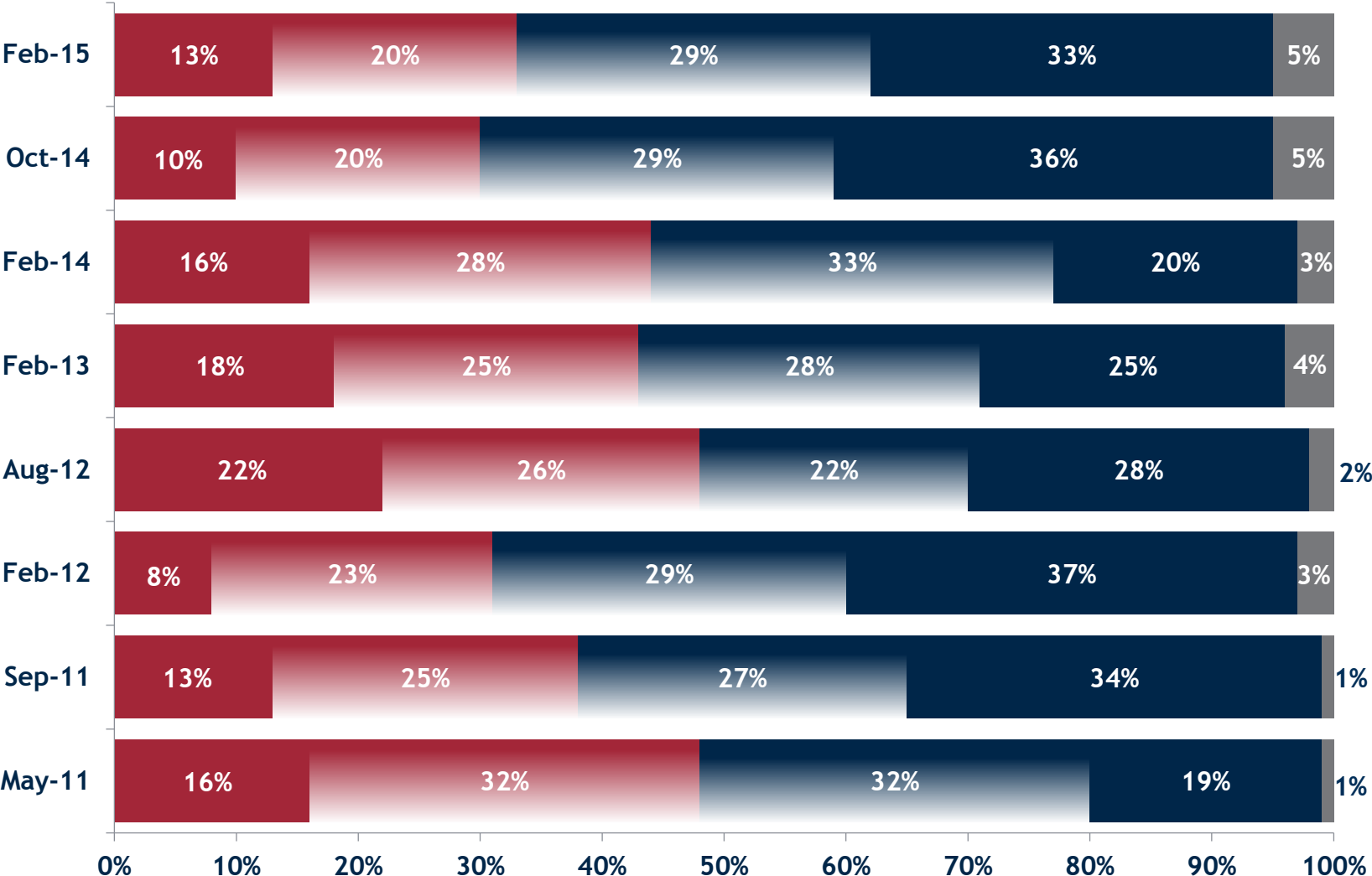


# How satisfied are you with the way democracy is developing in Kyrgyzstan?

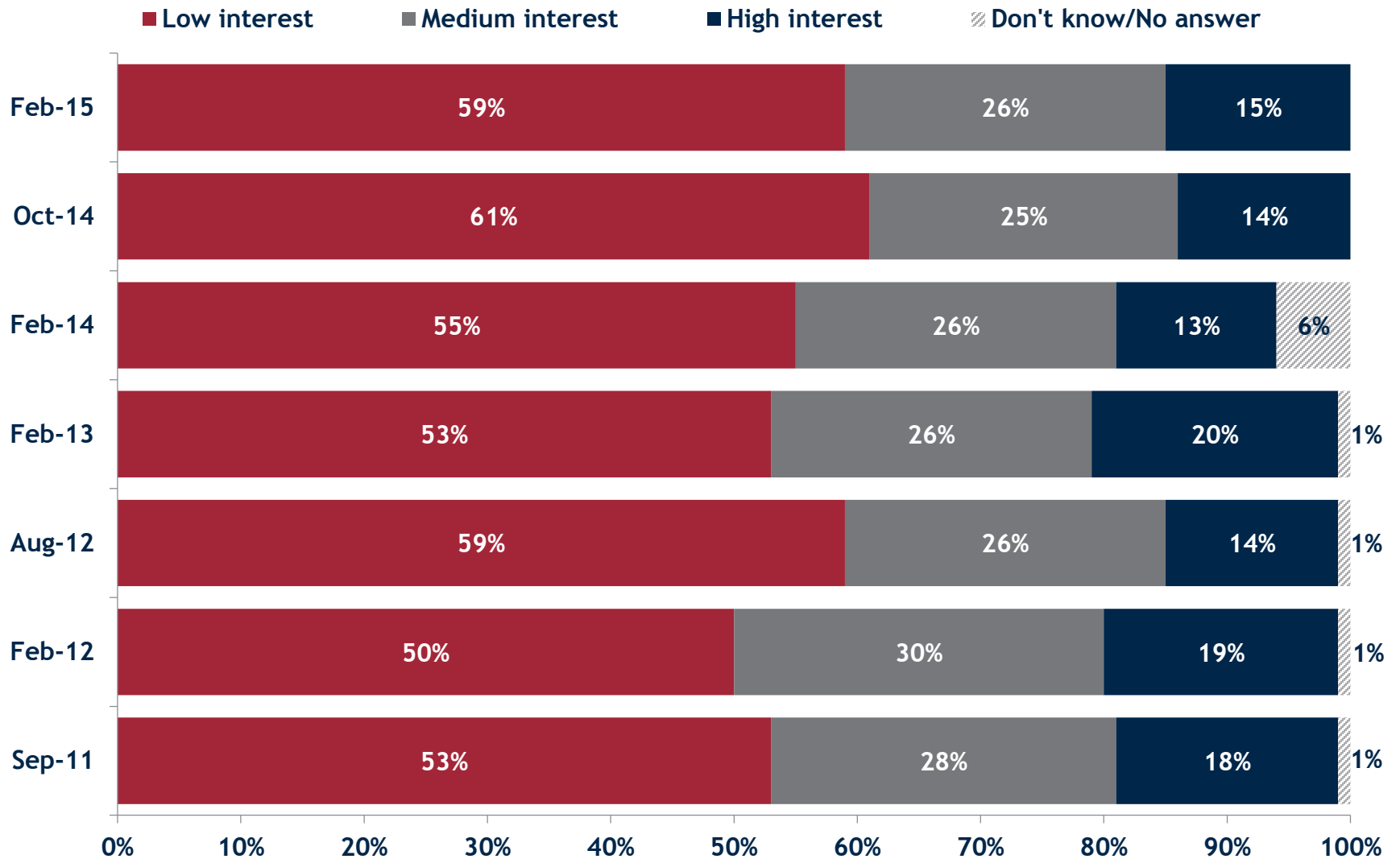


# Are people in Kyrgyzstan afraid to openly express their political views?

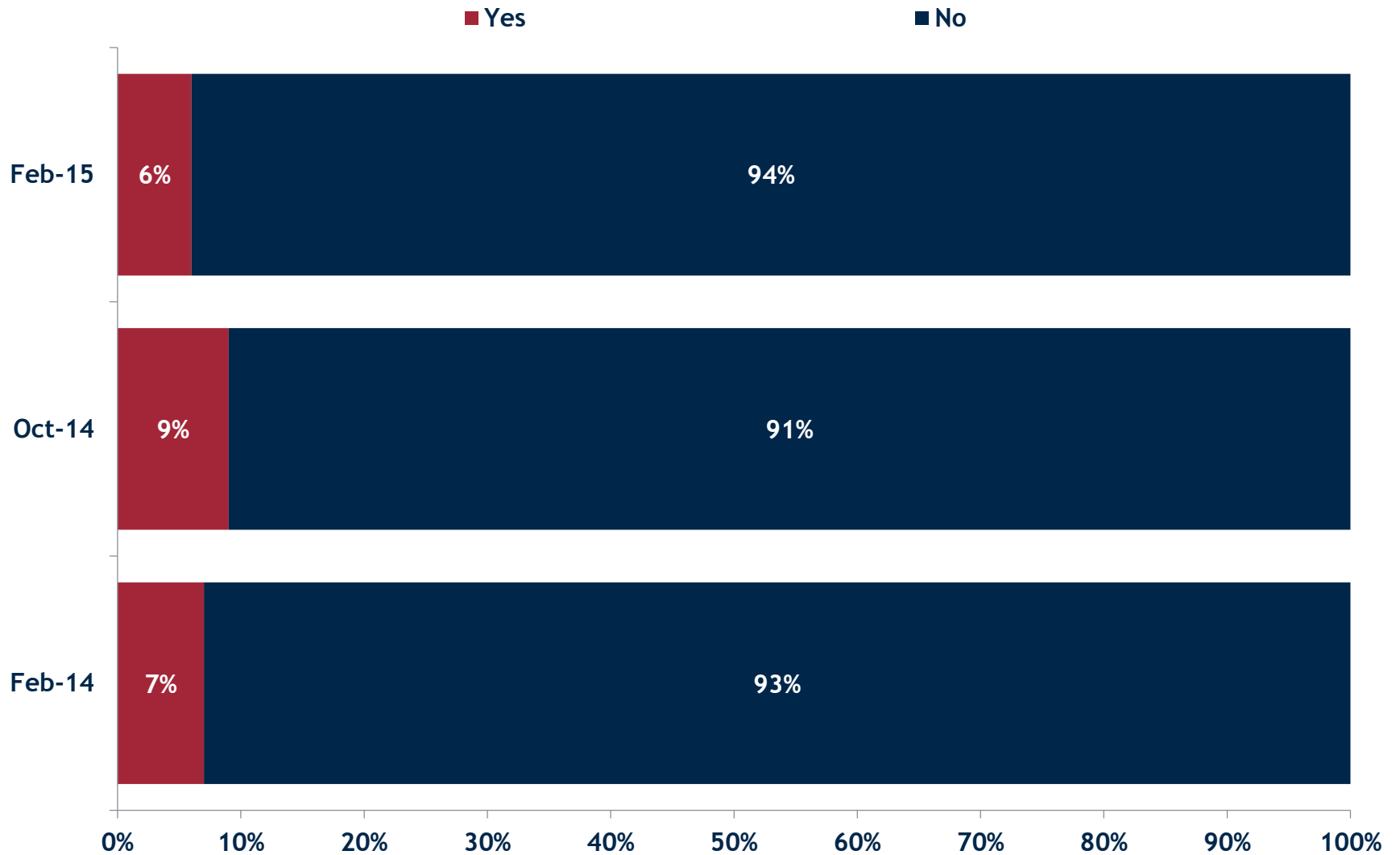
■ Majority are afraid  
 ■ Many are afraid  
 ■ Some are afraid  
 ■ Nobody is afraid  
 ■ Don't know/No answer



# How much interest do you have in politics?

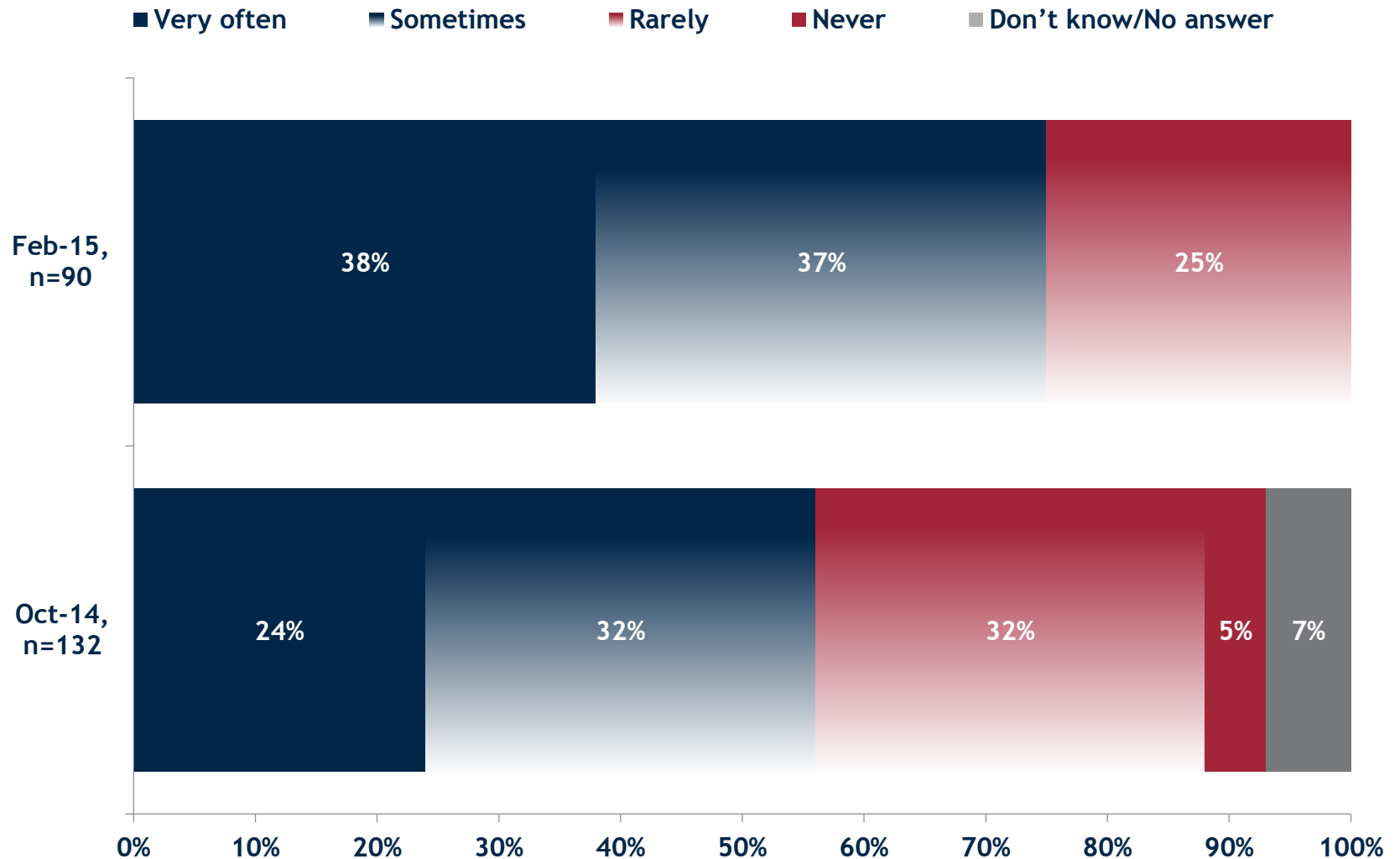


# Are you a member of a political party?



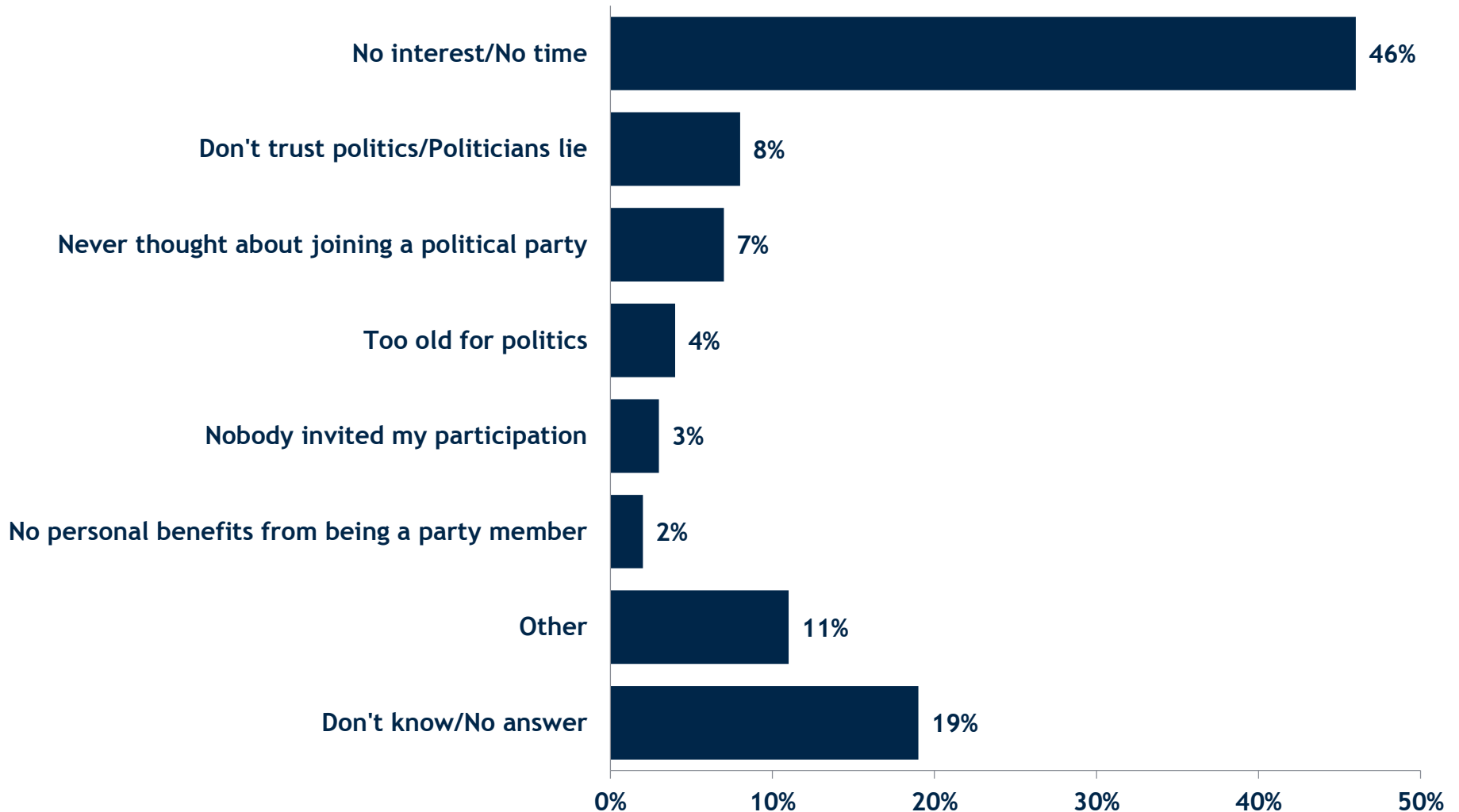
# How often do you participate in political party activities?

## Members of political parties



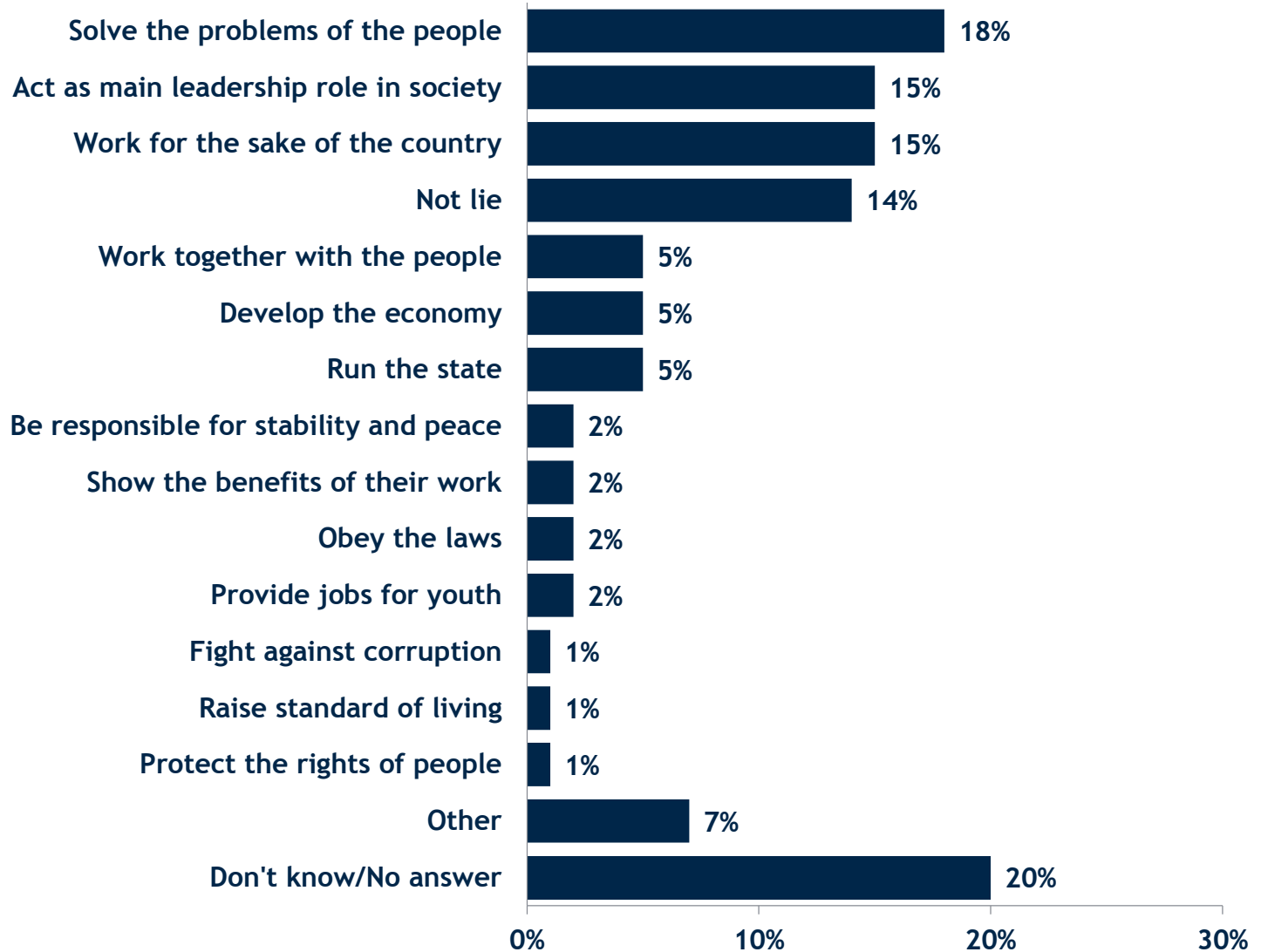
# Why are you not a member of a political party?

Respondents who are not members of political parties, n=1,410



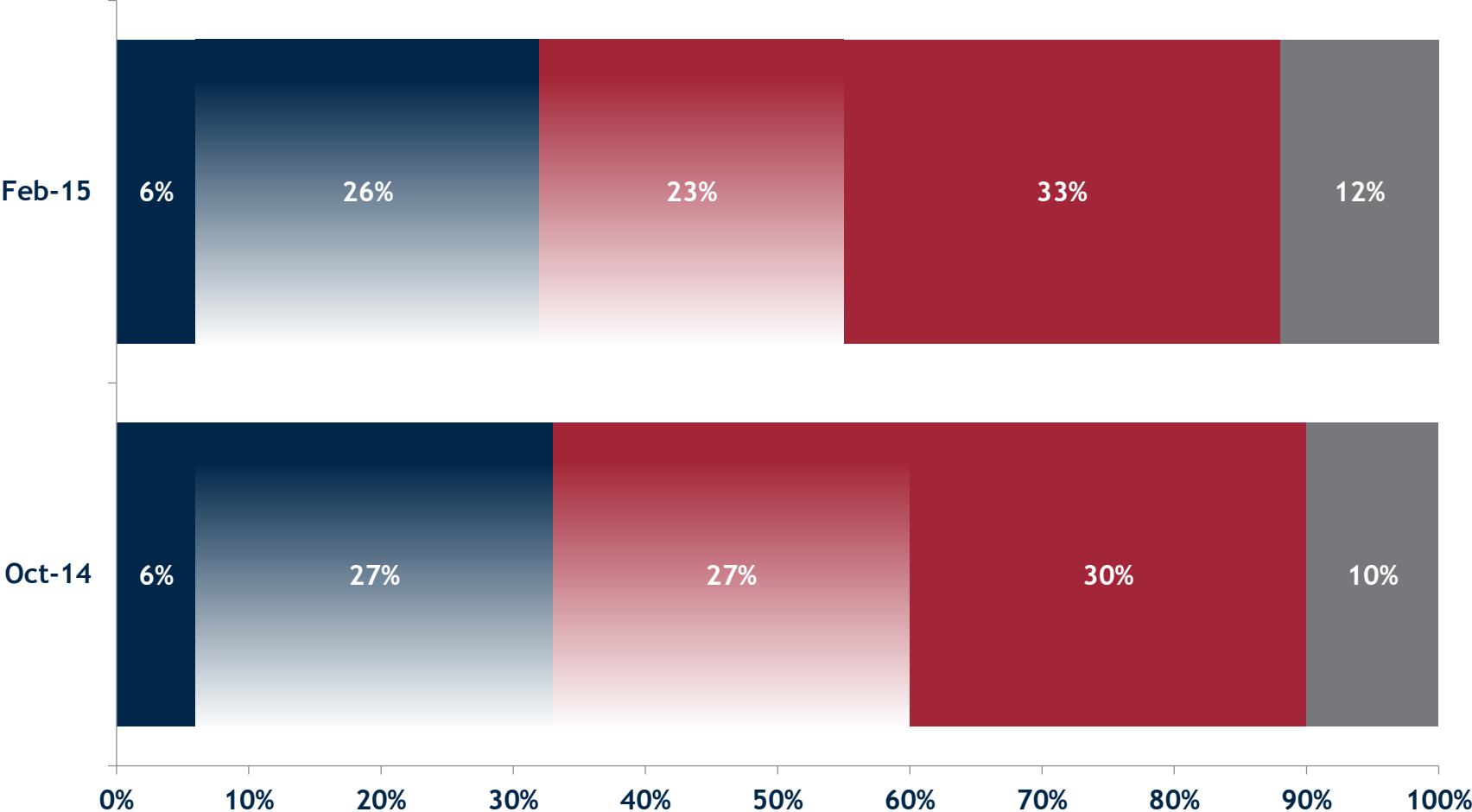


# What role should a political party play in society?



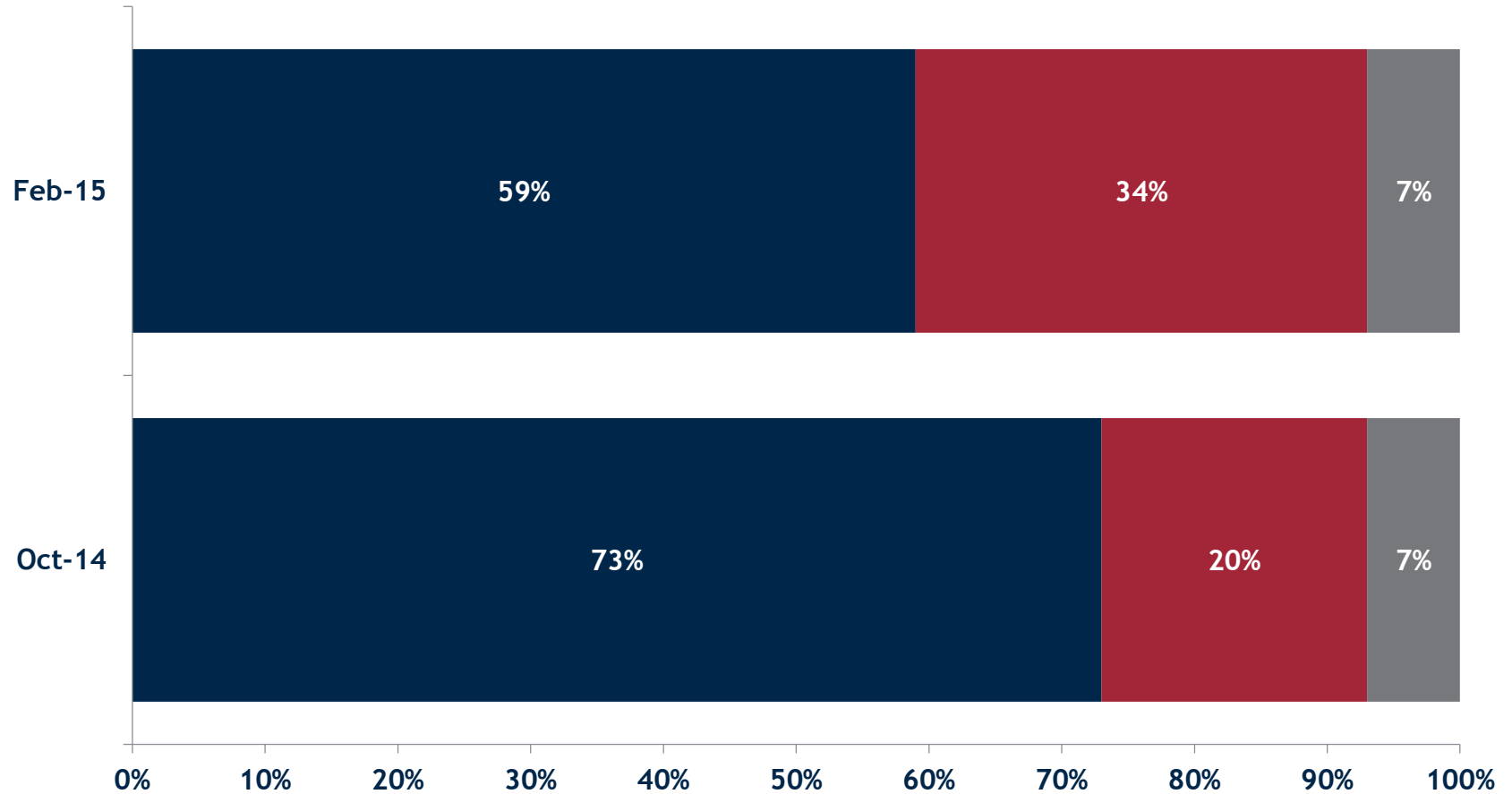
# Are you informed about political parties that exist in your region?

Well informed   Somewhat informed   Somewhat not informed   Not informed   Don't know/No answer



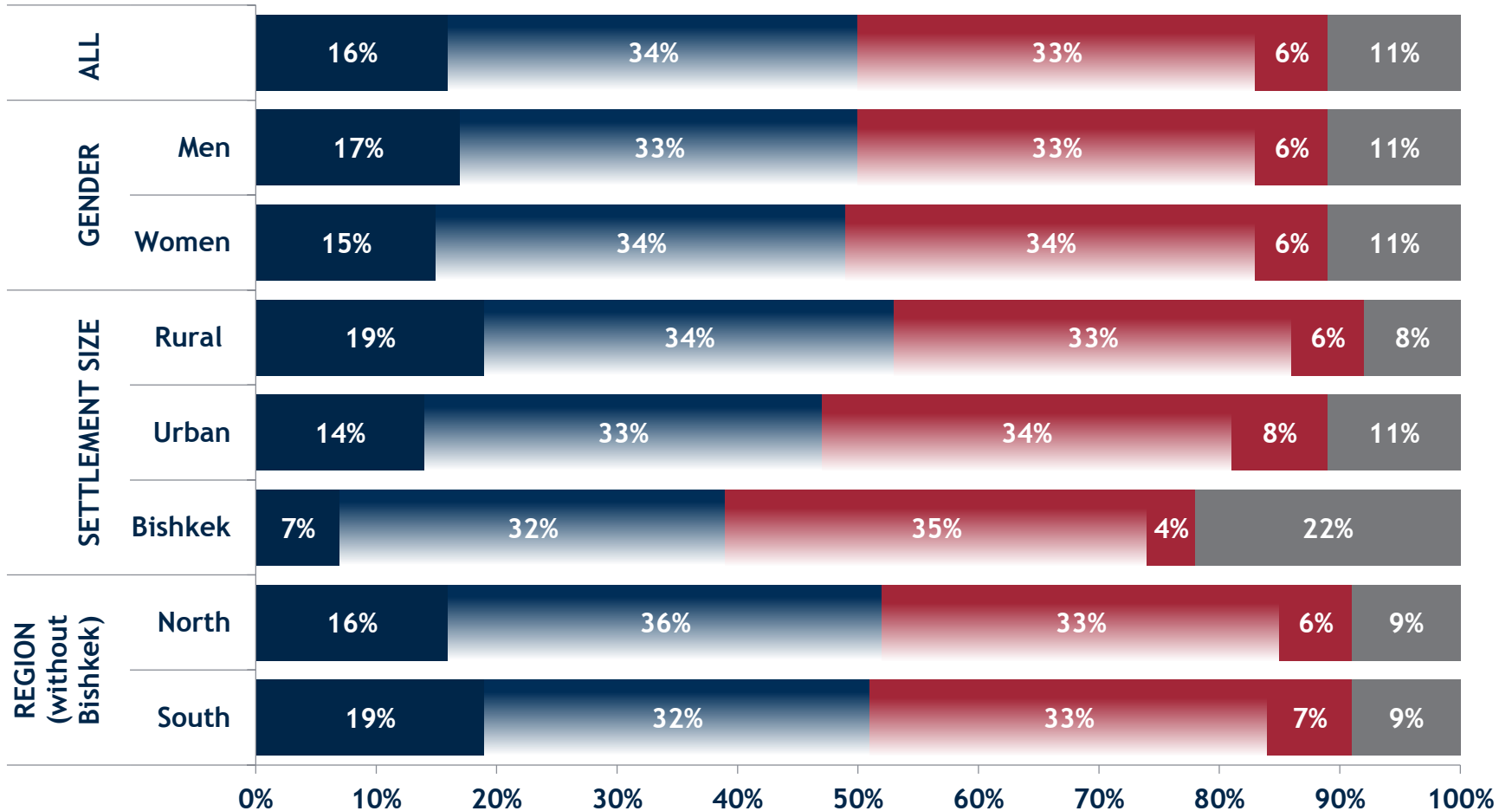
# Do you feel that women should play an expanded role in business and political life?

■ Yes      ■ No      ■ Don't know/No answer



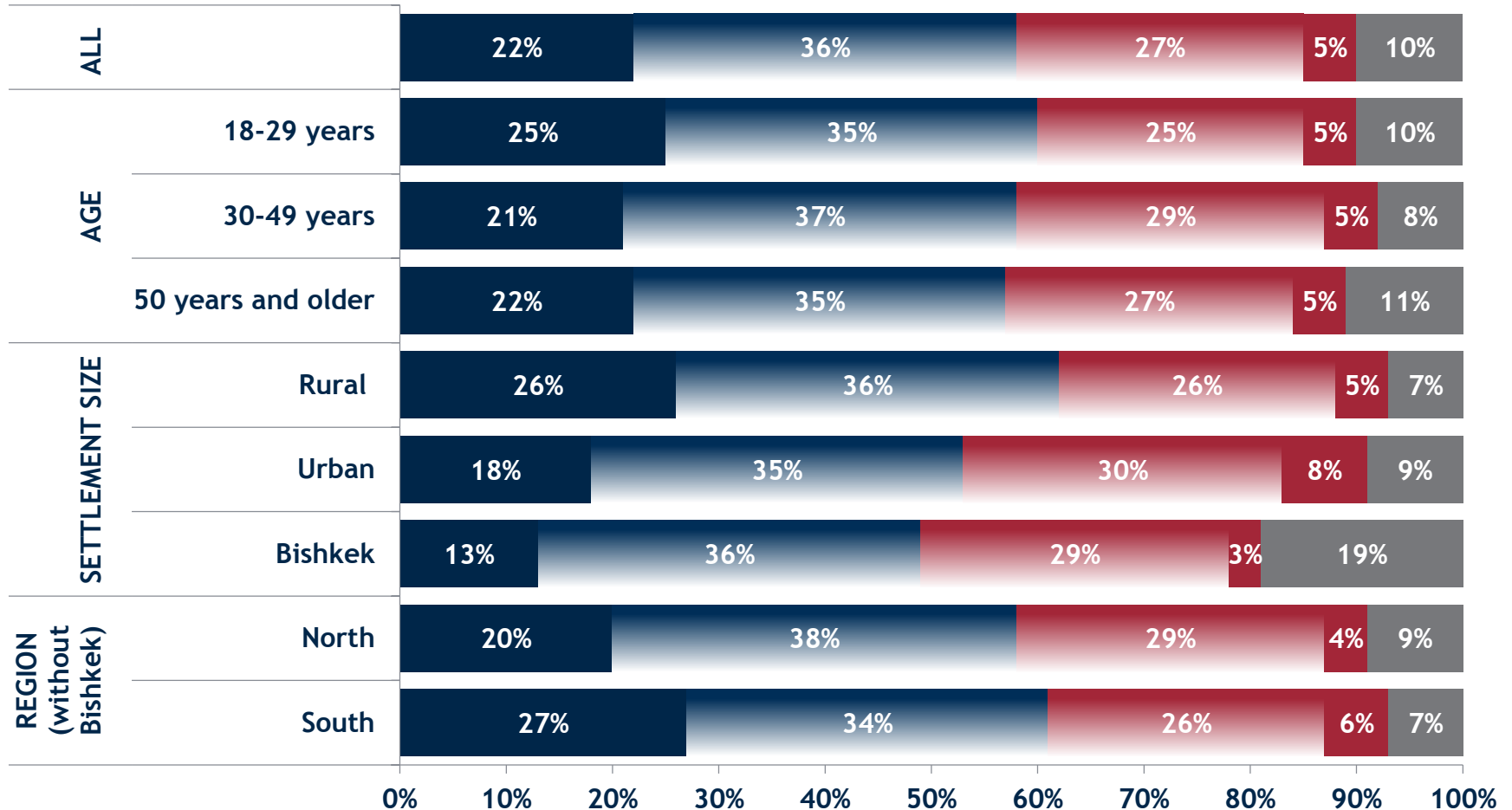
# Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? Politicians do not listen to the needs and ideas of women.

■ Strongly agree
■ Somewhat agree
■ Somewhat disagree
■ Strongly disagree
■ Don't know/No answer

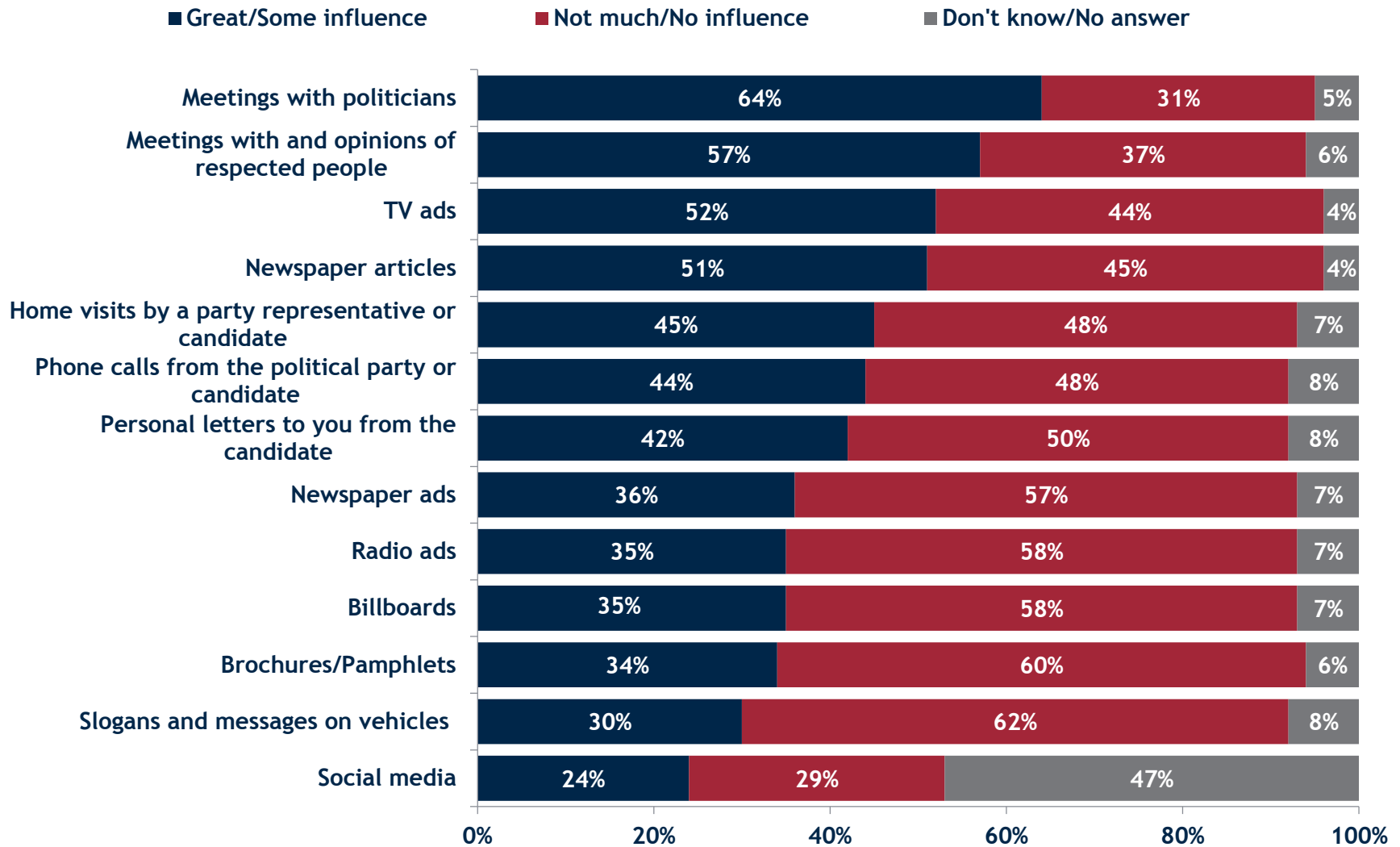


# Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? Politicians do not listen to the needs and ideas of young people.

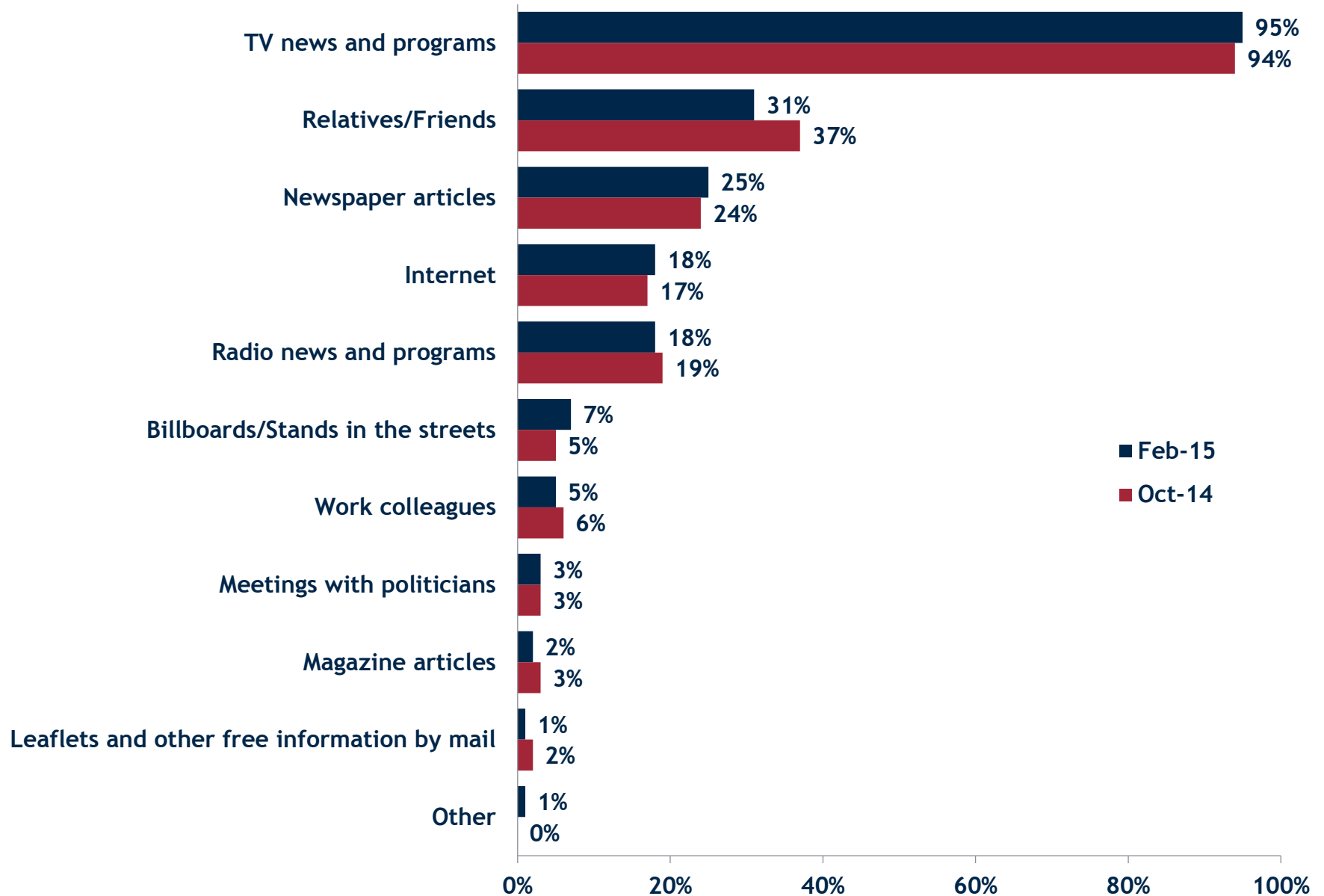
■ Strongly agree
■ Somewhat agree
■ Somewhat disagree
■ Strongly disagree
■ Don't know/No answer



# In general, which of the following most influences your views of parties or candidates?



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





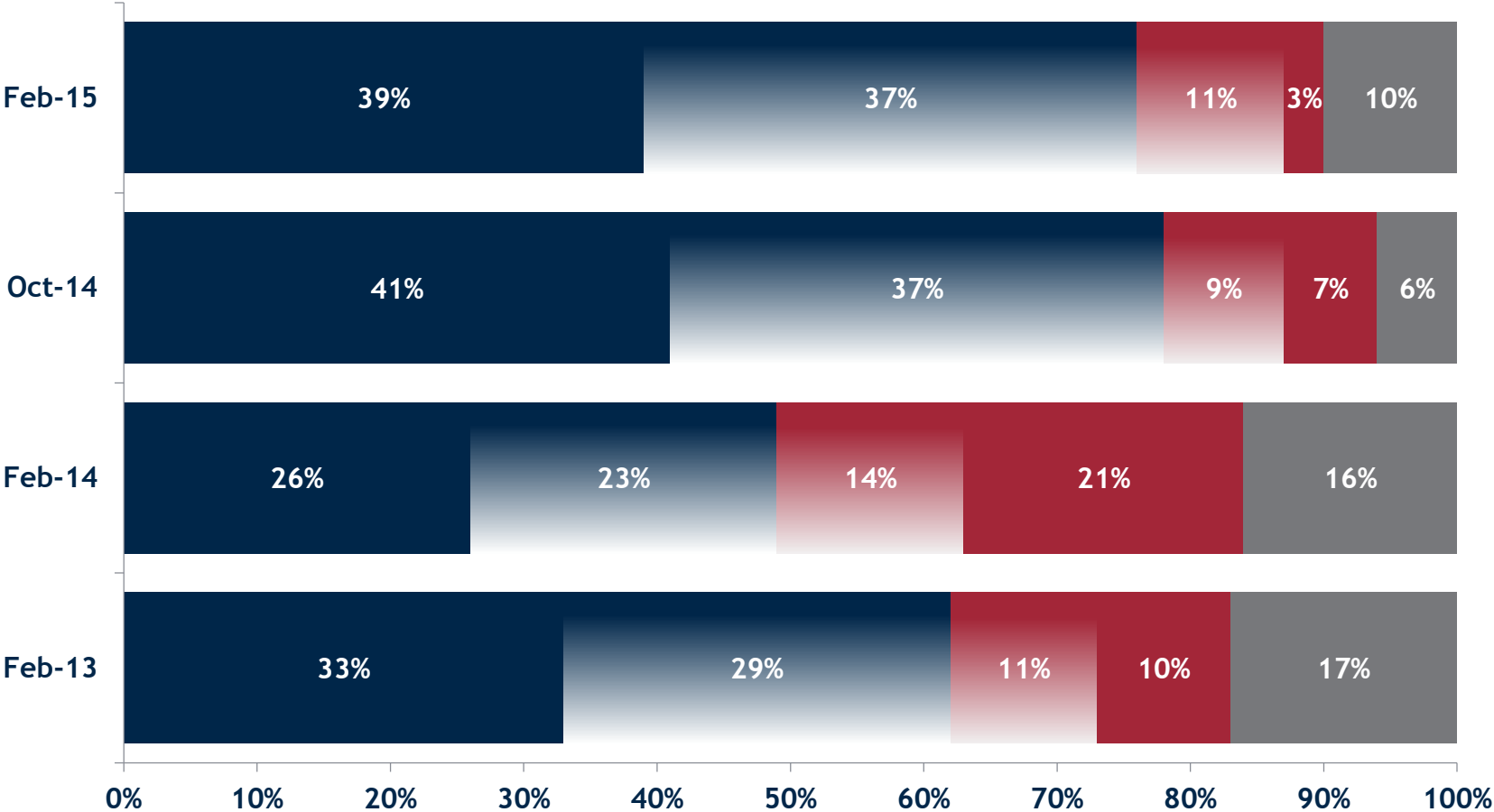
# Warning Signs for the West

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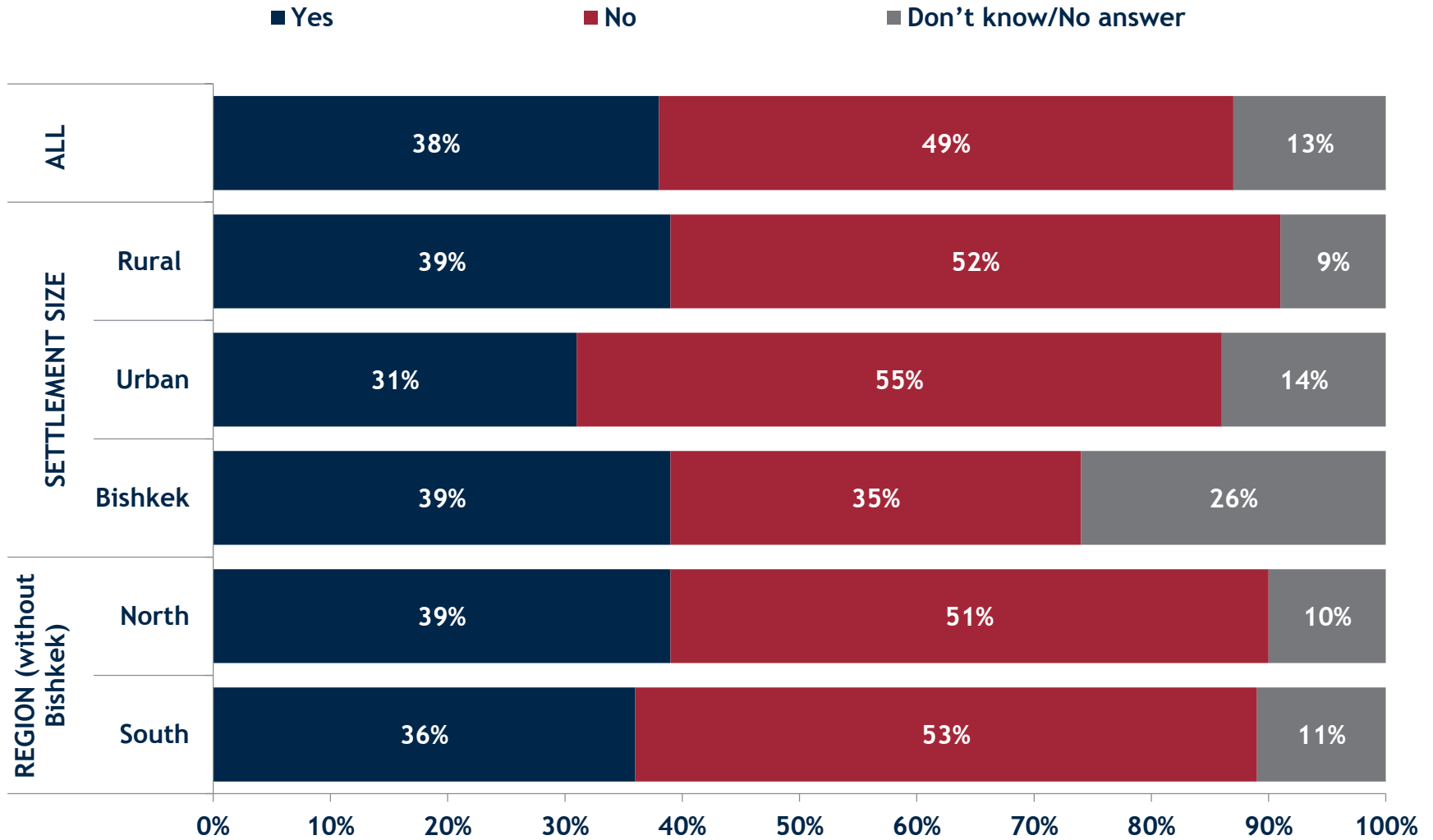


# Do you support Kyrgyzstan joining the Customs Union with Russia, Kazakhstan and Belarus?

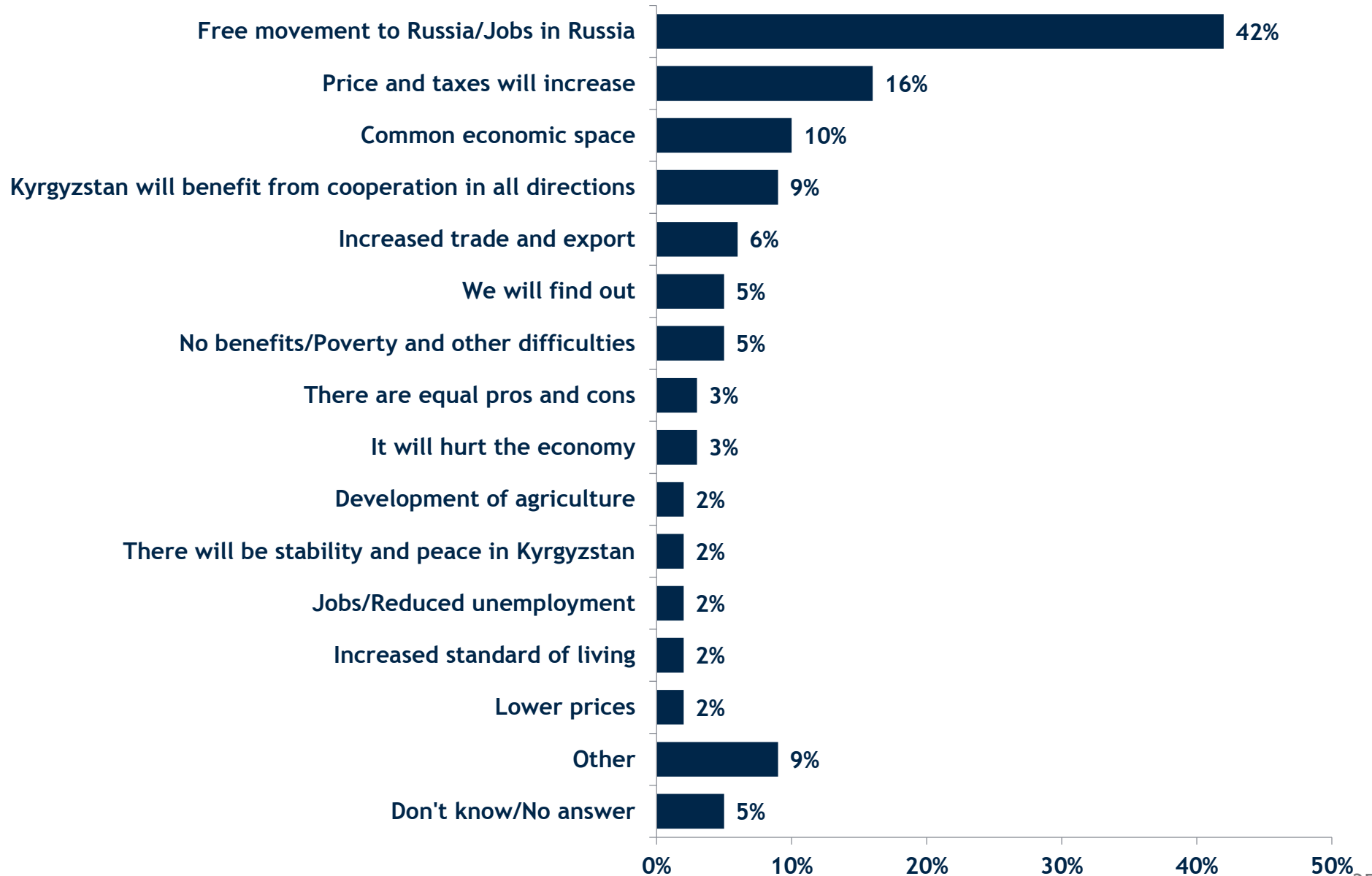
■ Strongly support ■ Somewhat support ■ Somewhat oppose ■ Strongly oppose ■ Don't know/No answer



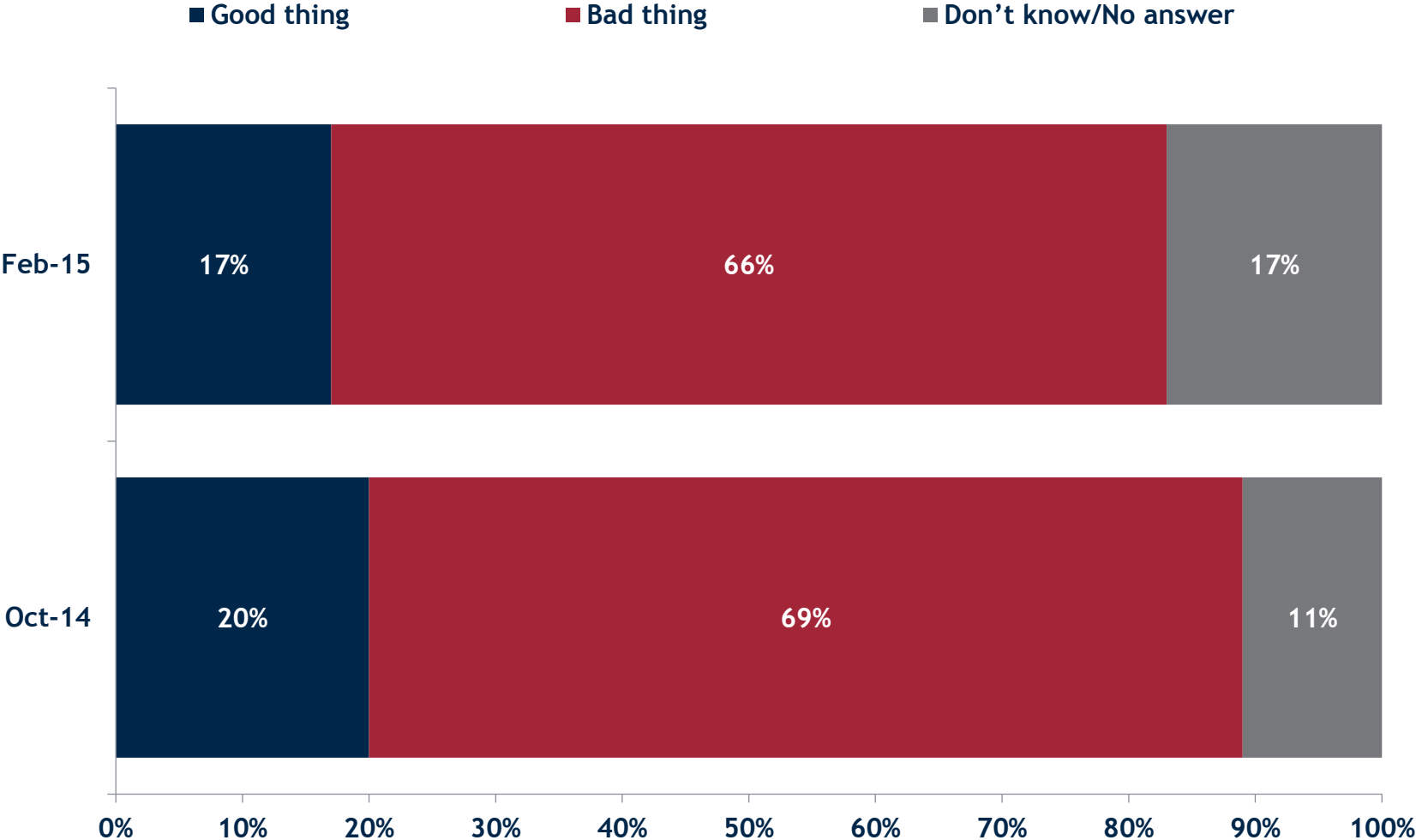
# Do you think you have sufficient information in order to make a decision on whether Kyrgyzstan should become a member of the Customs Union?



# In your opinion, what outcomes (both positive and negative) will Customs Union membership have for Kyrgyzstan?

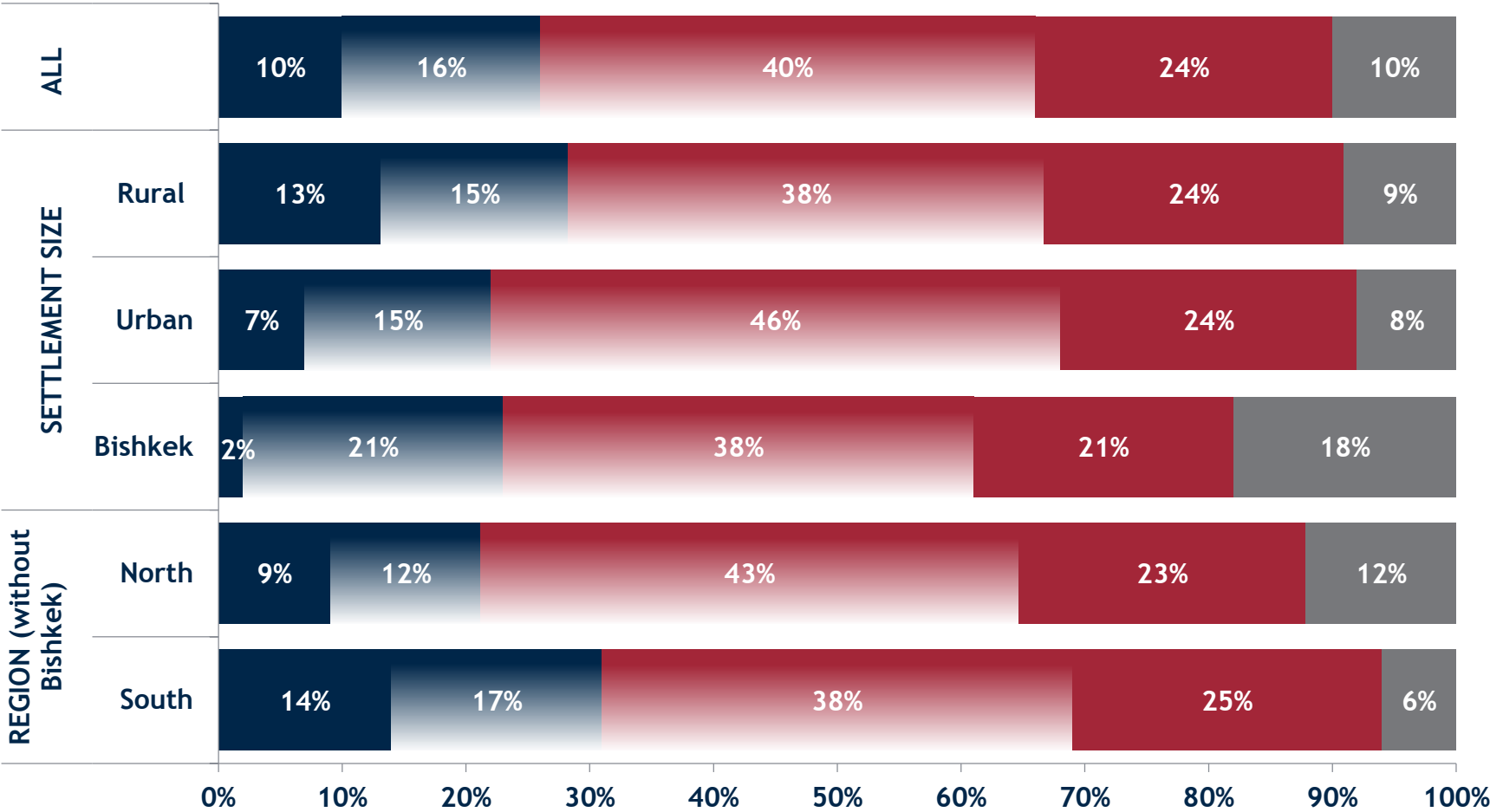


# Do you think the dissolution of the Soviet Union was a good or bad thing?

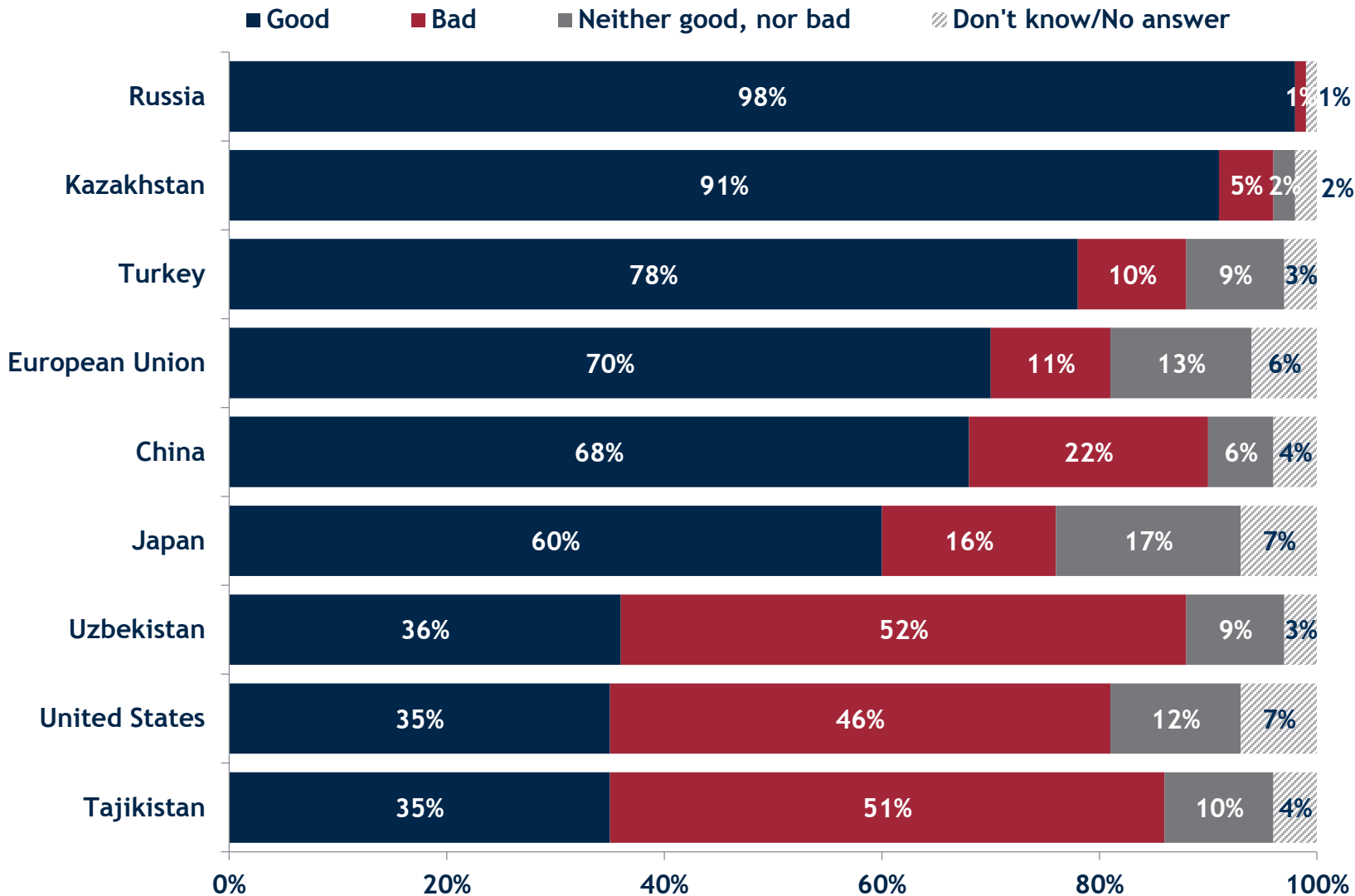


# If you could only choose one or the other, which is more important to you: a democratic system of government or a prosperous economy?

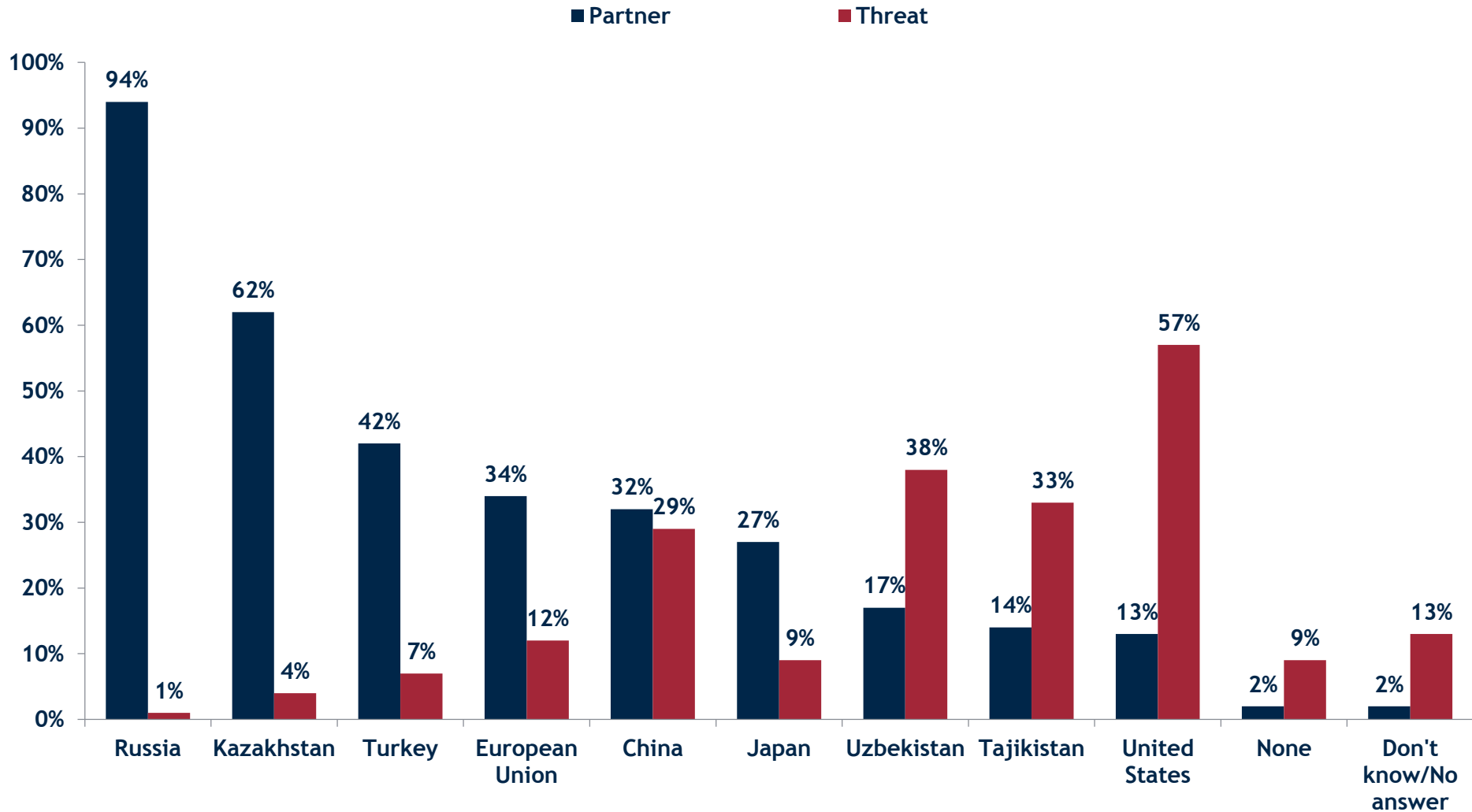
- Democracy is definitely more important to me
- Democracy is somewhat more important to me
- Prosperity is somewhat more important to me
- Prosperity is definitely more important to me
- Don't know/No answer



# How would you assess the current relations between Kyrgyzstan and...



# Which of these countries do you consider to be the most important economic partners and greatest economic threats to Kyrgyzstan?

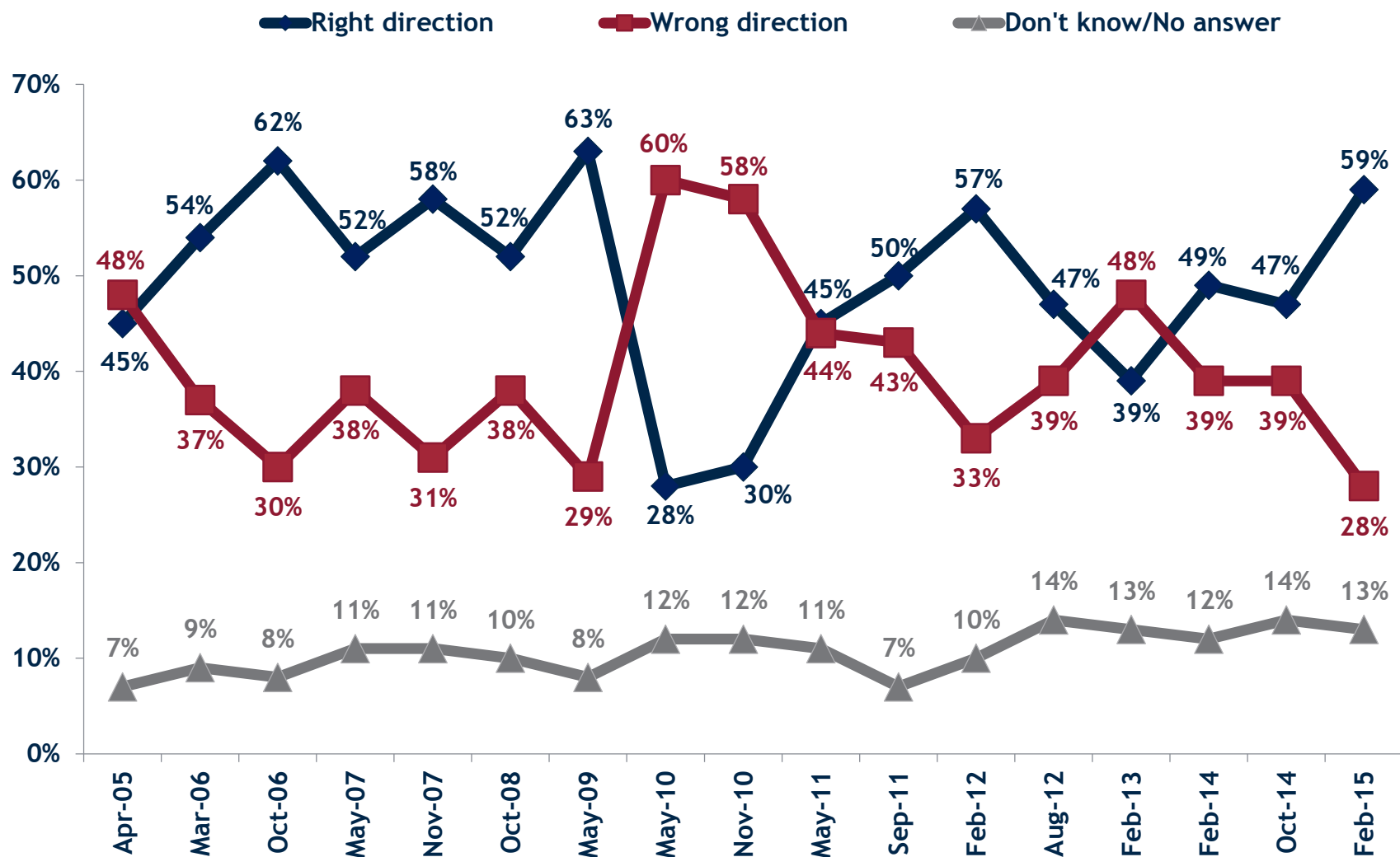




# Economics and Additional Issues

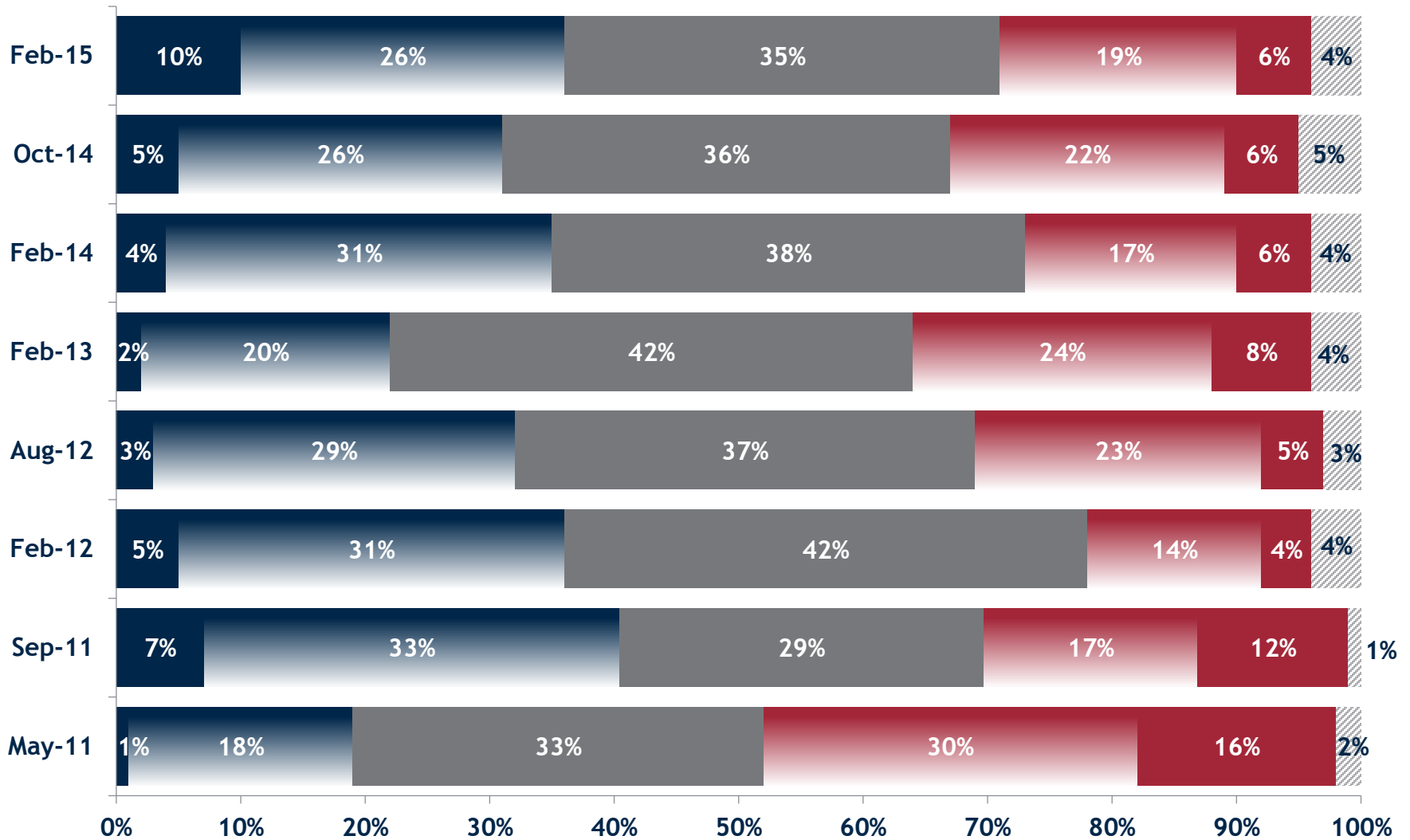


# Generally speaking, do you think that things in Kyrgyzstan are going in the right direction or wrong direction?



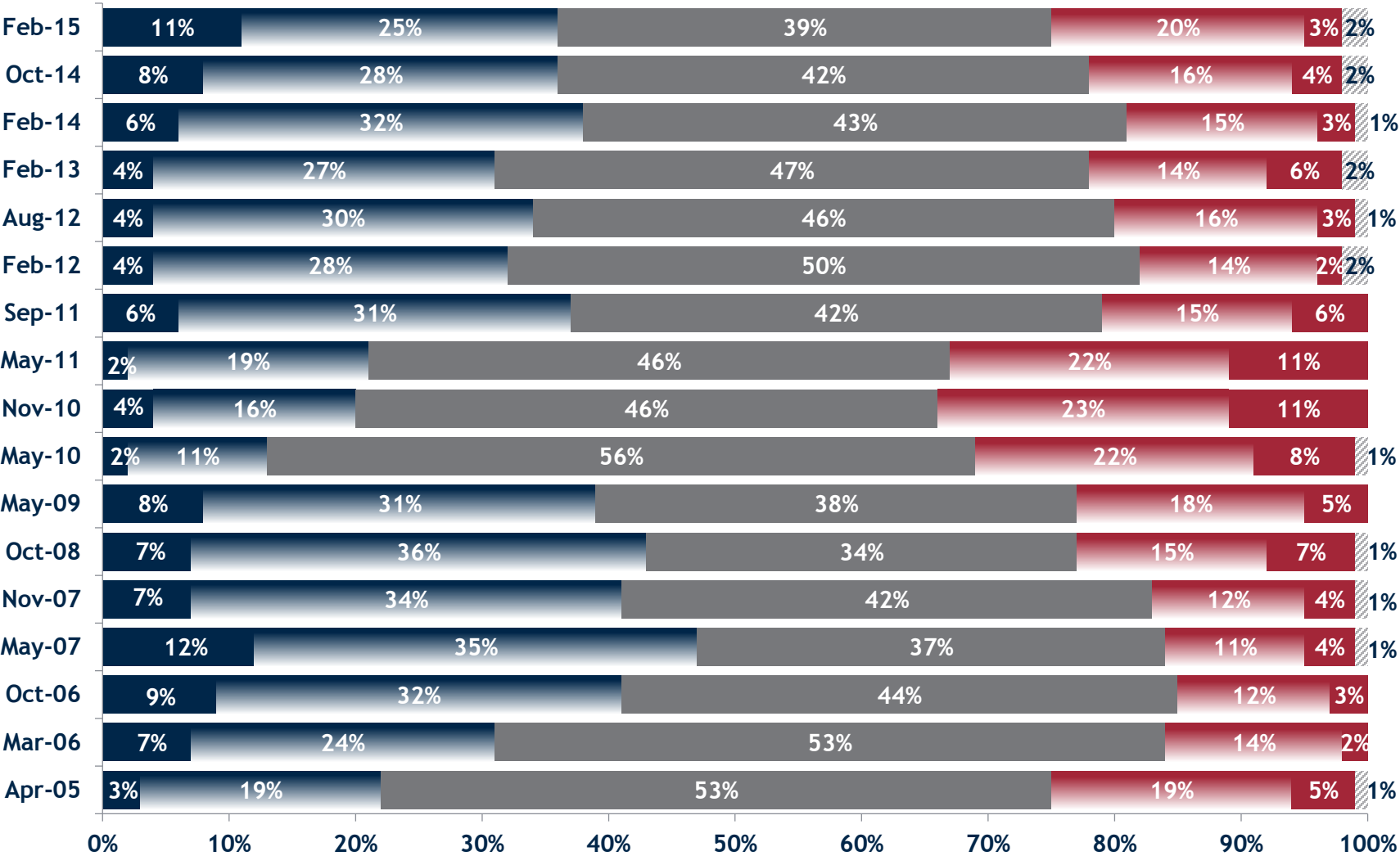
# Over the last 12 months, the economic situation in Kyrgyzstan has...

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



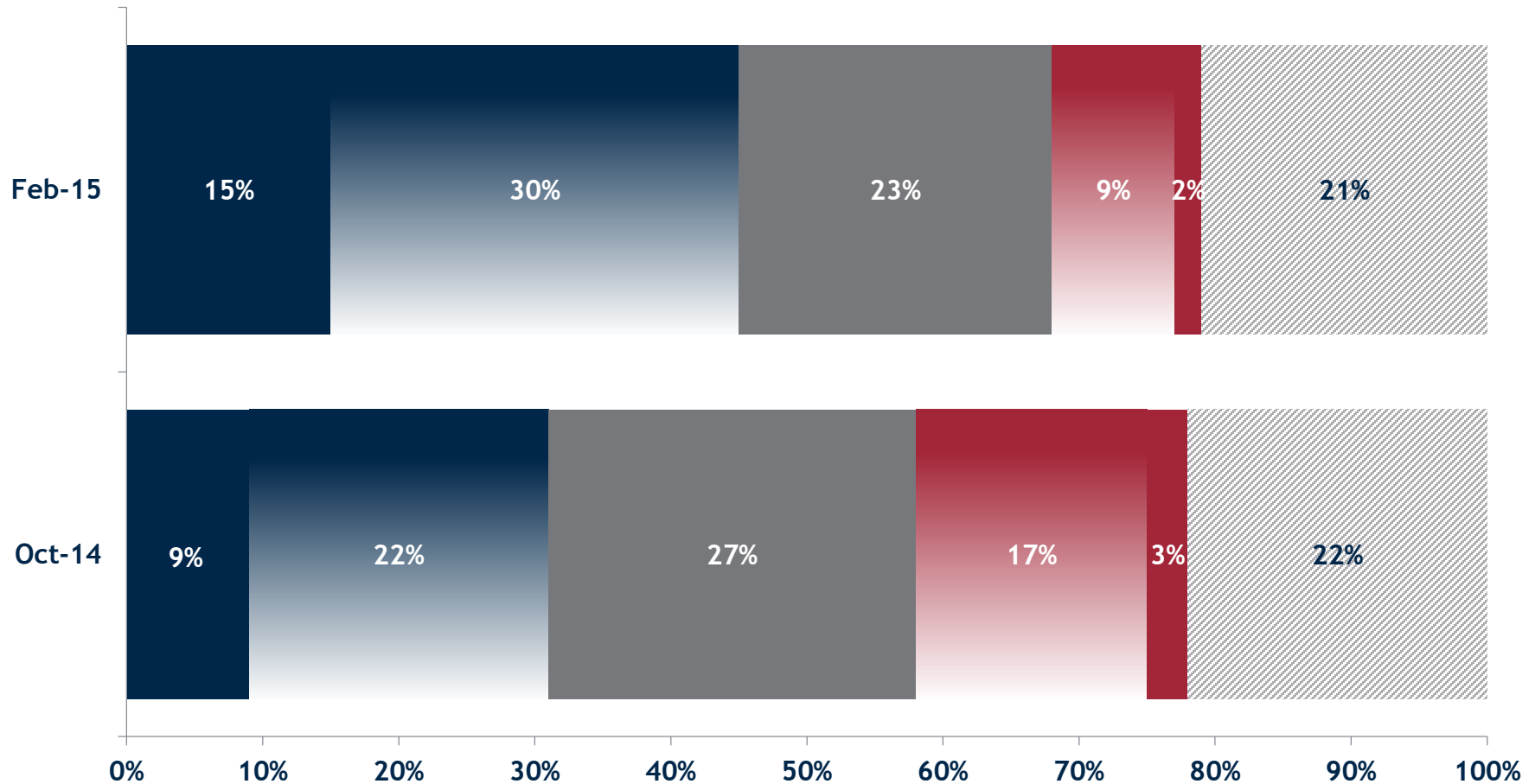
# Over the last 12 months, the financial situation of your household has...

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



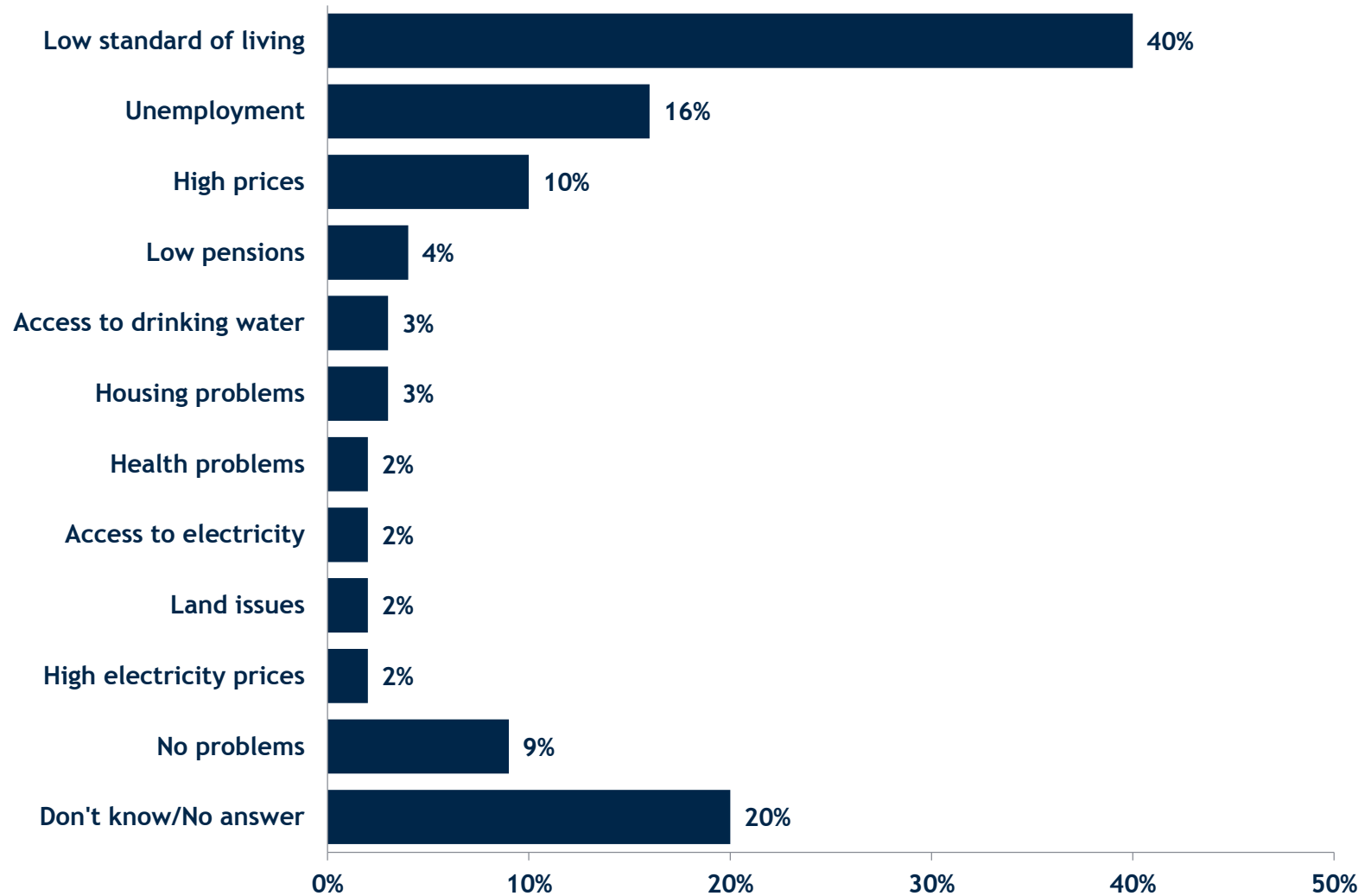
# In your opinion, how will economic situation of Kyrgyzstan change in the next year?

■ Improve a lot ■ Improve somewhat ■ Stay the same ■ Worsen somewhat ■ Worsen a lot ■ Don't know/No answer

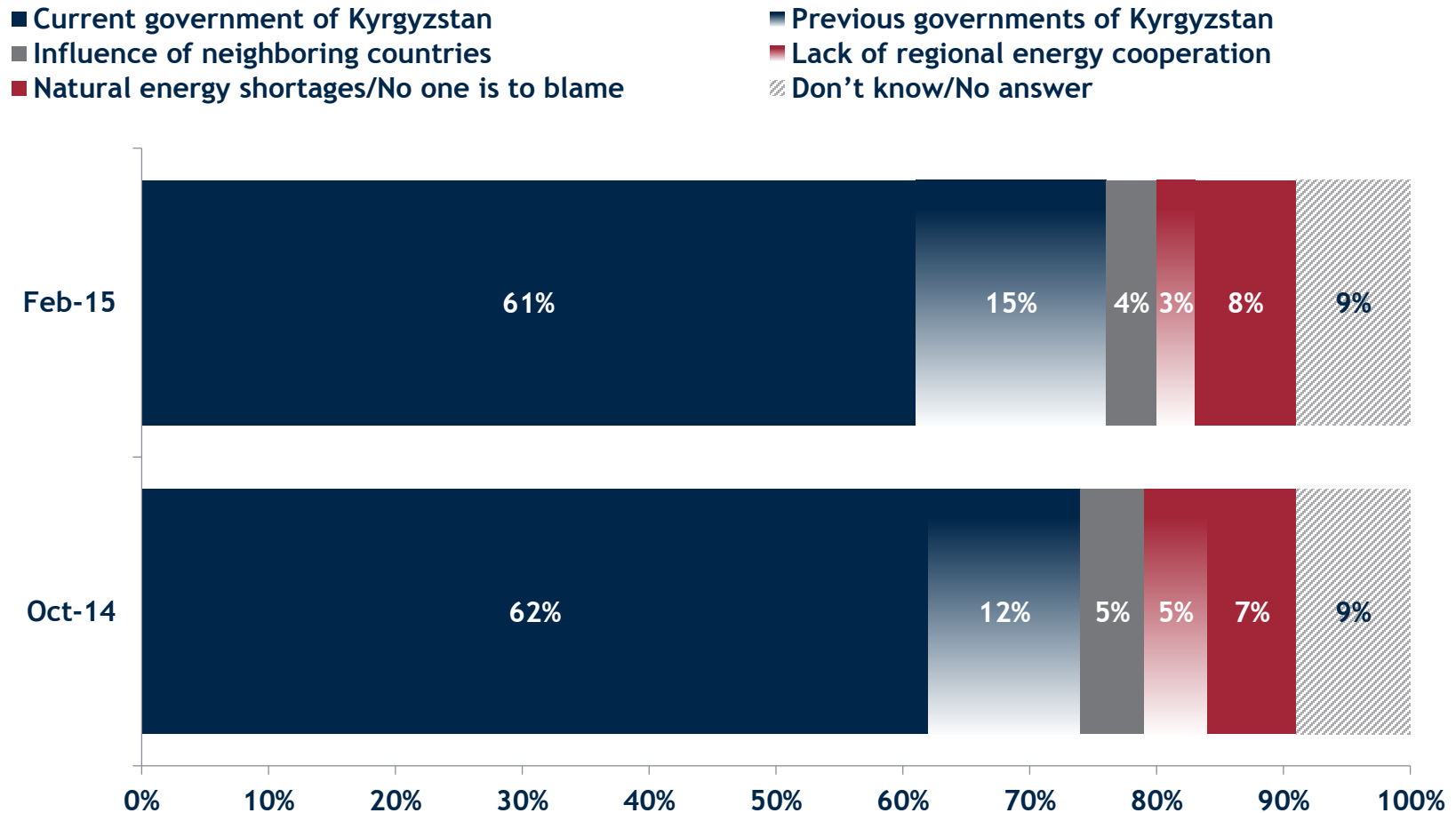


# What are the most important problems facing you and your household?

Three answers allowed

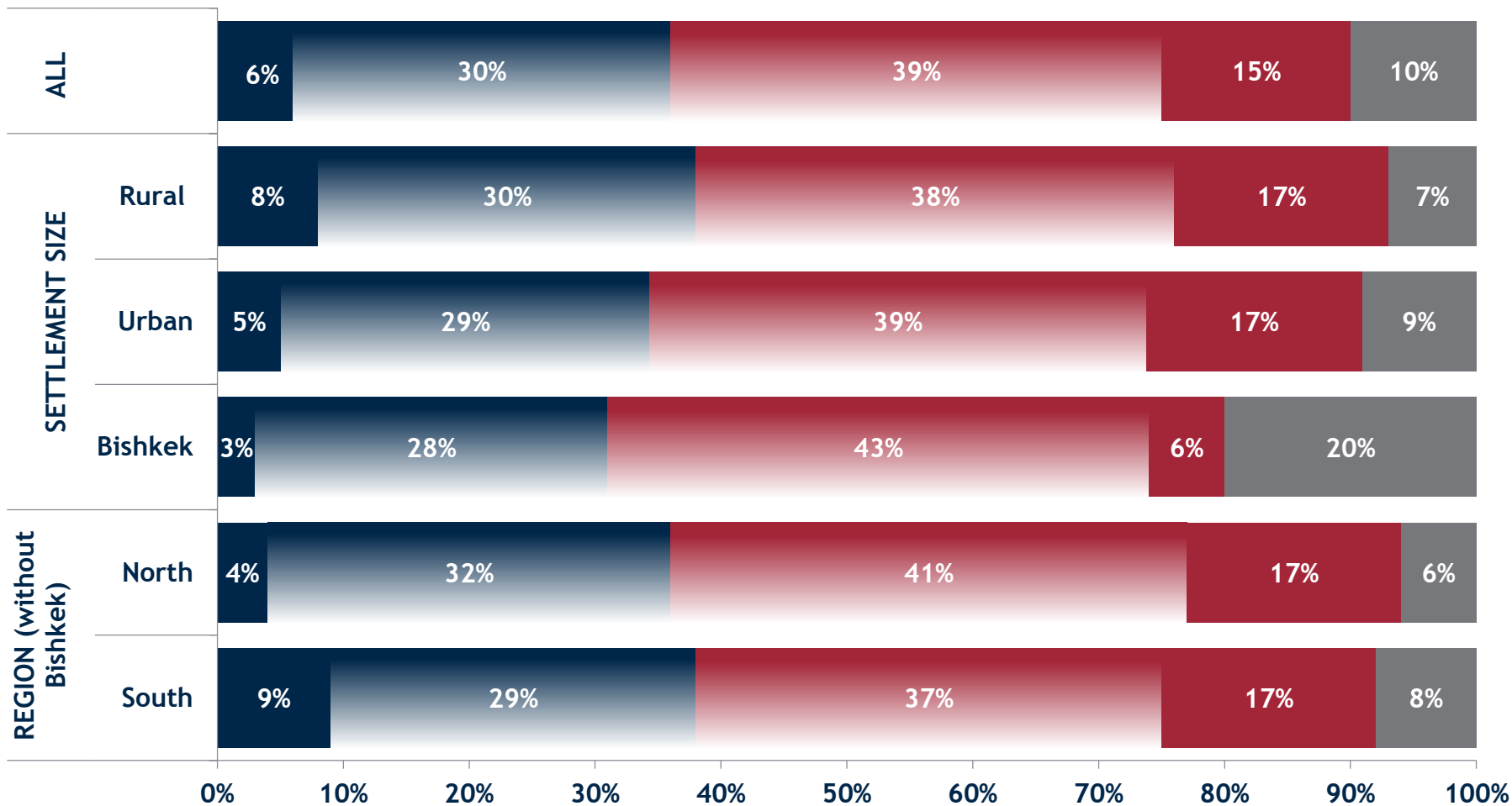


# Who do you believe is responsible for the current energy crisis in Kyrgyzstan?

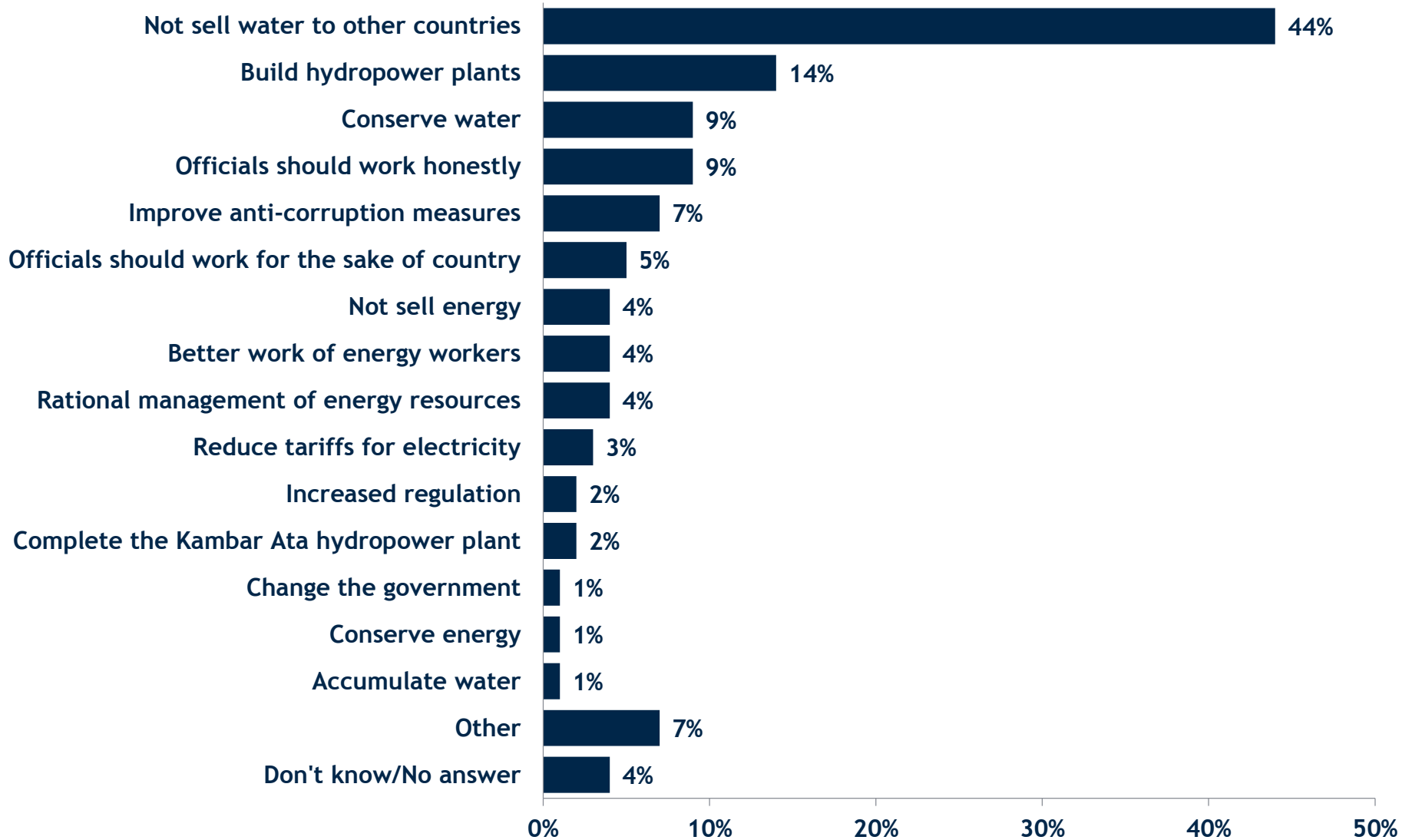


# Are you satisfied with the Kyrgyz government's actions in dealing with the energy crisis?

■ Very satisfied
■ Somewhat satisfied
■ Somewhat dissatisfied
■ Very dissatisfied
■ Don't know/No answer

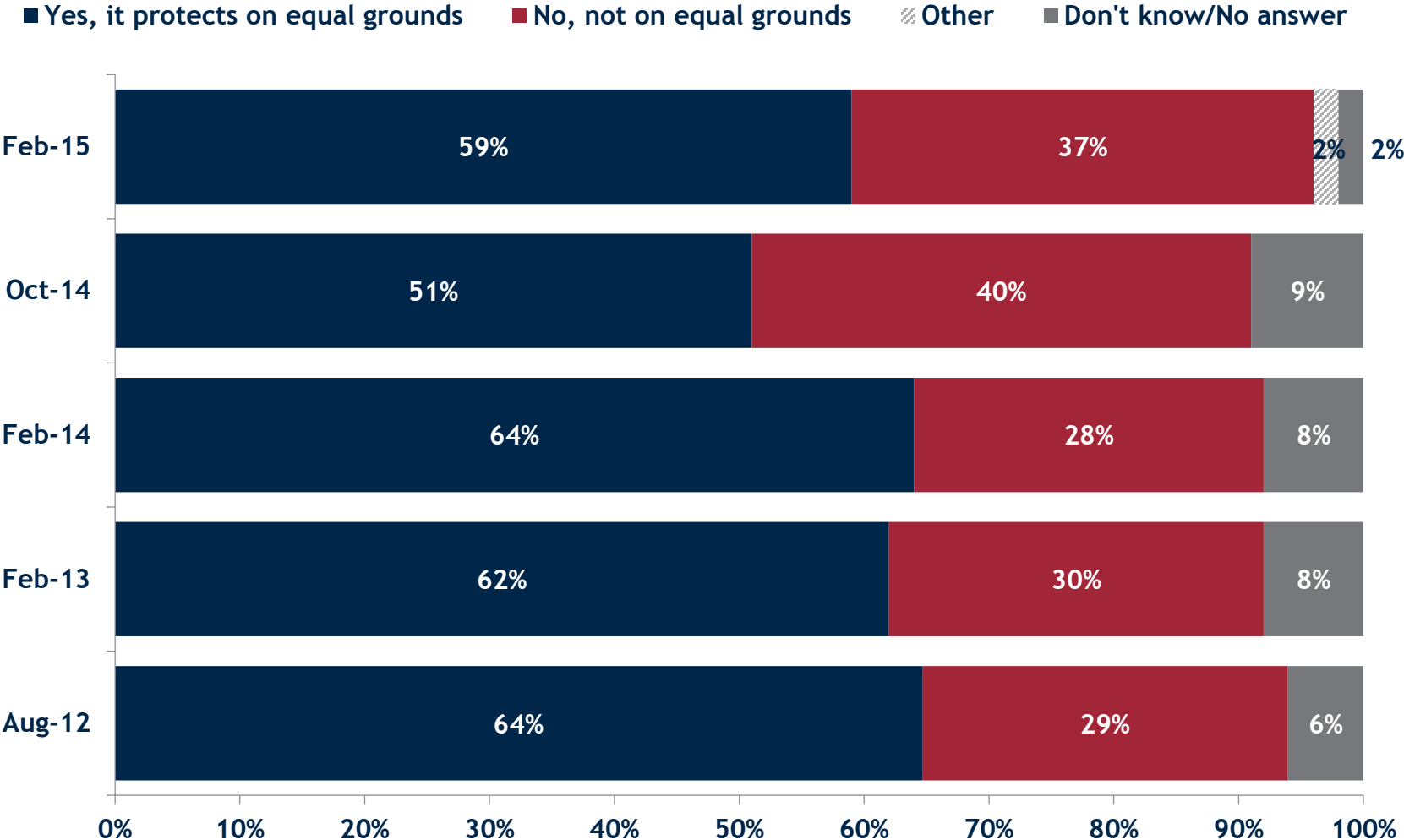


# What should the Kyrgyz government do to solve the energy crisis?

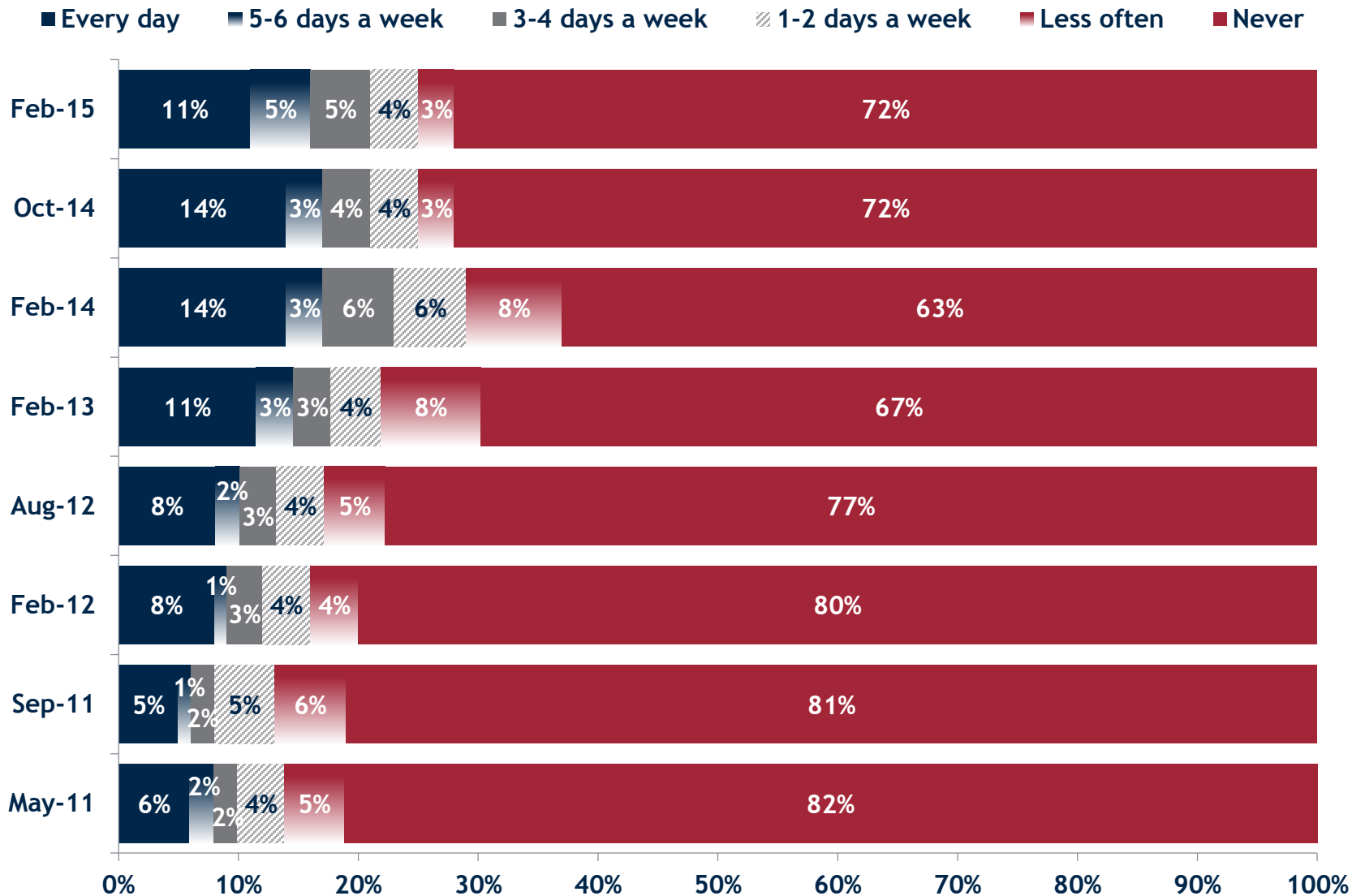




# Does the state protect citizens' rights regardless of their ethnicity in Kyrgyzstan?

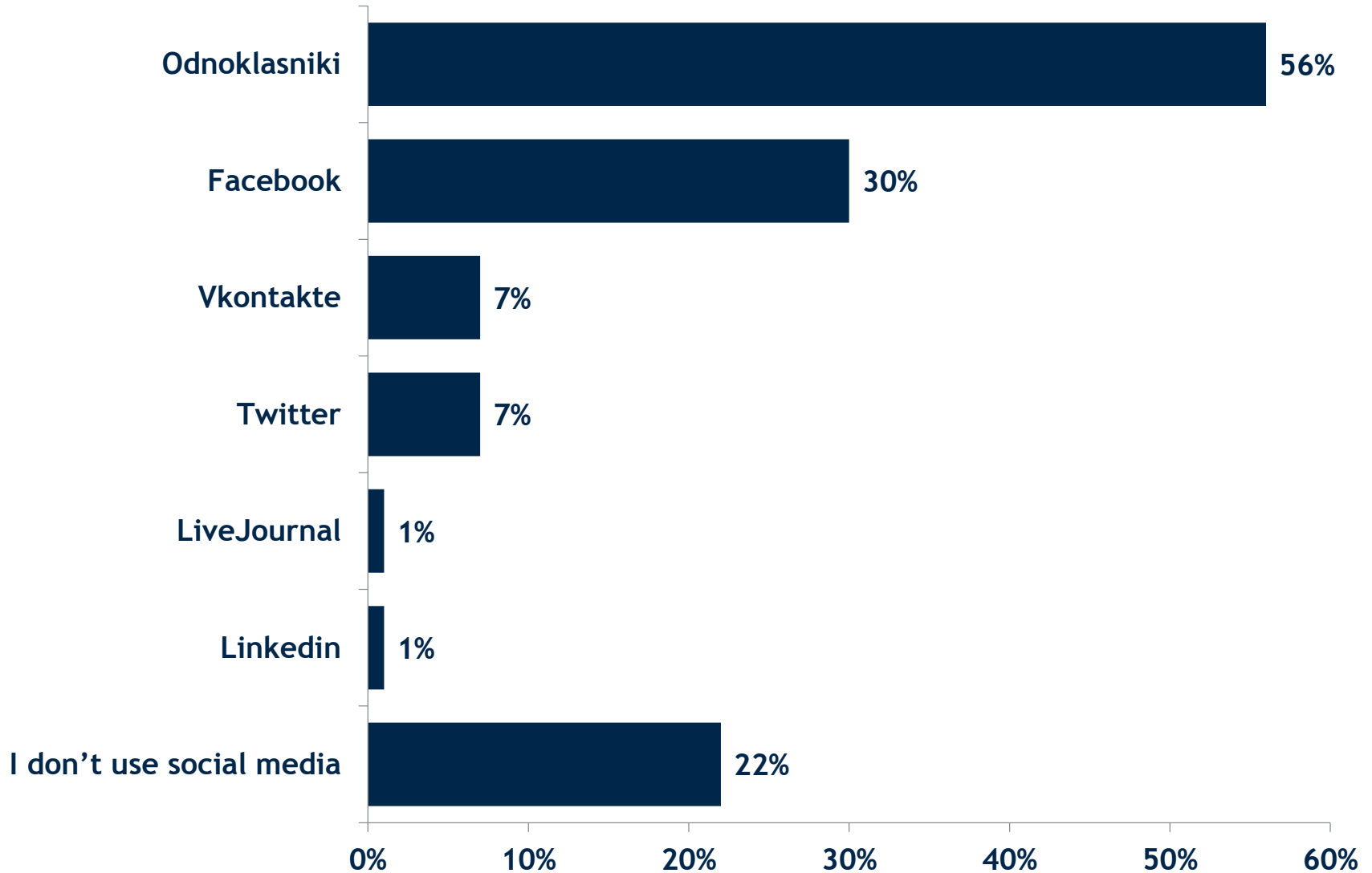


# How often do you use the Internet?

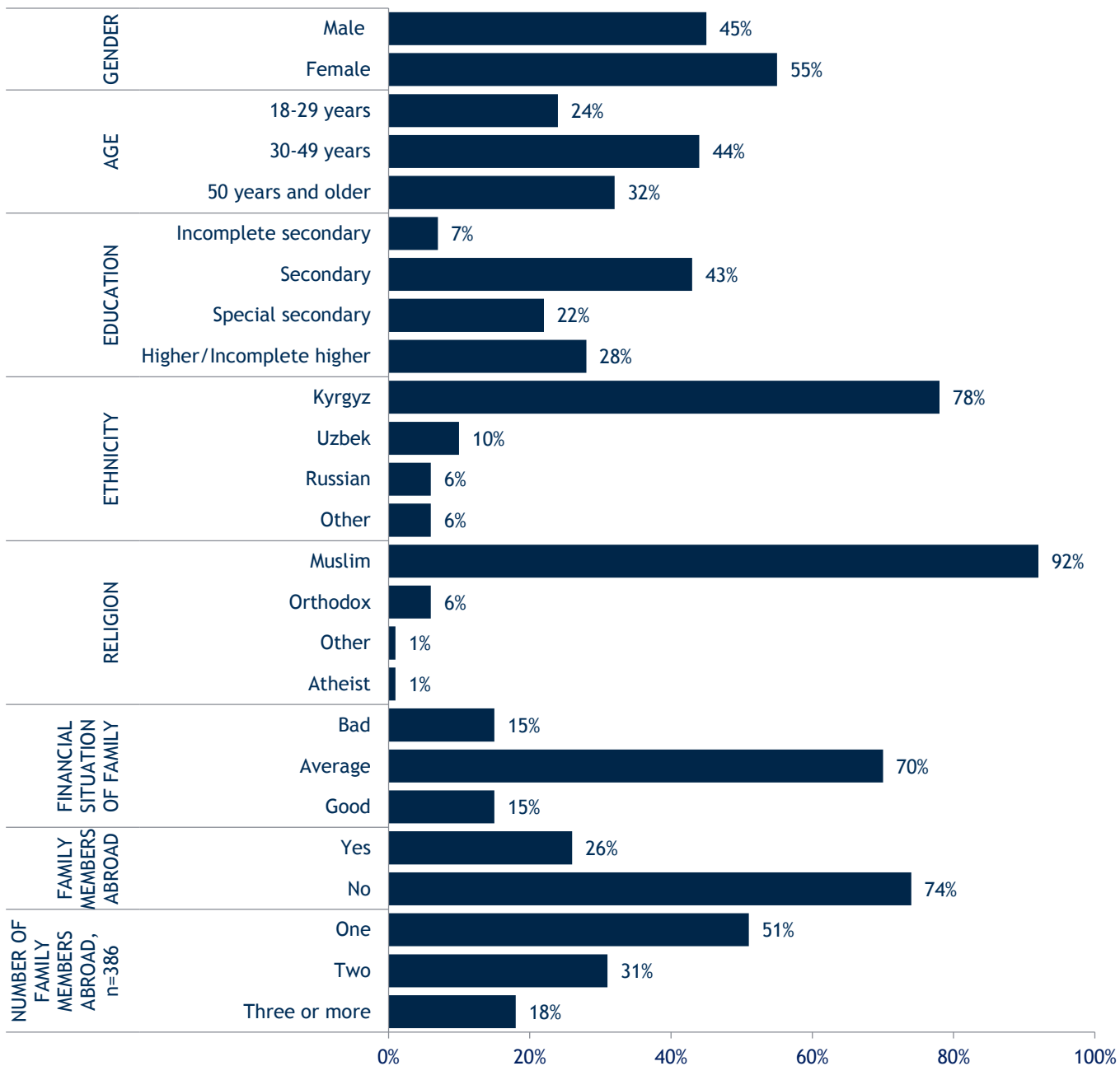


# Do you use any of the following social media sites?

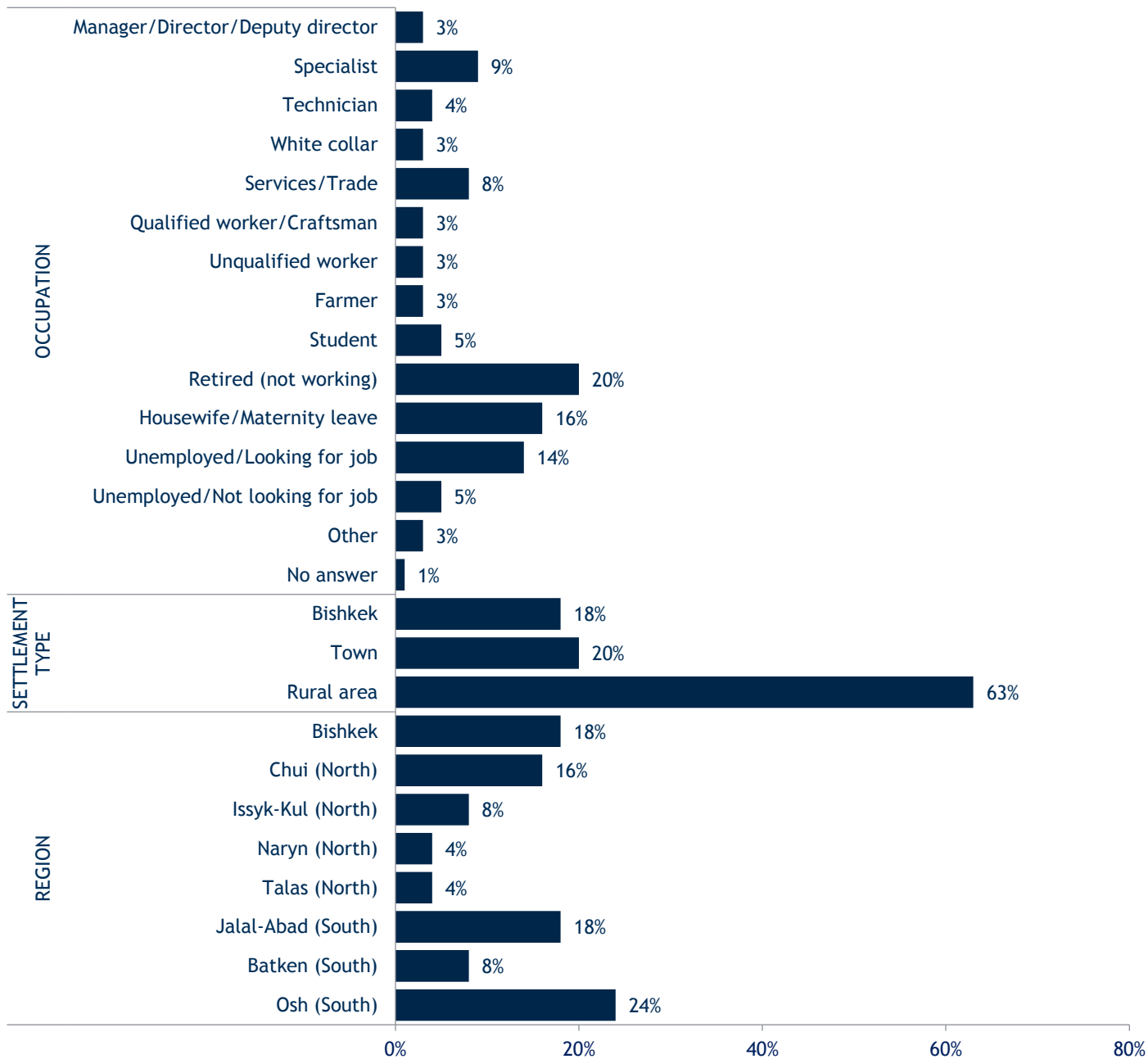
Internet users, n=417



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