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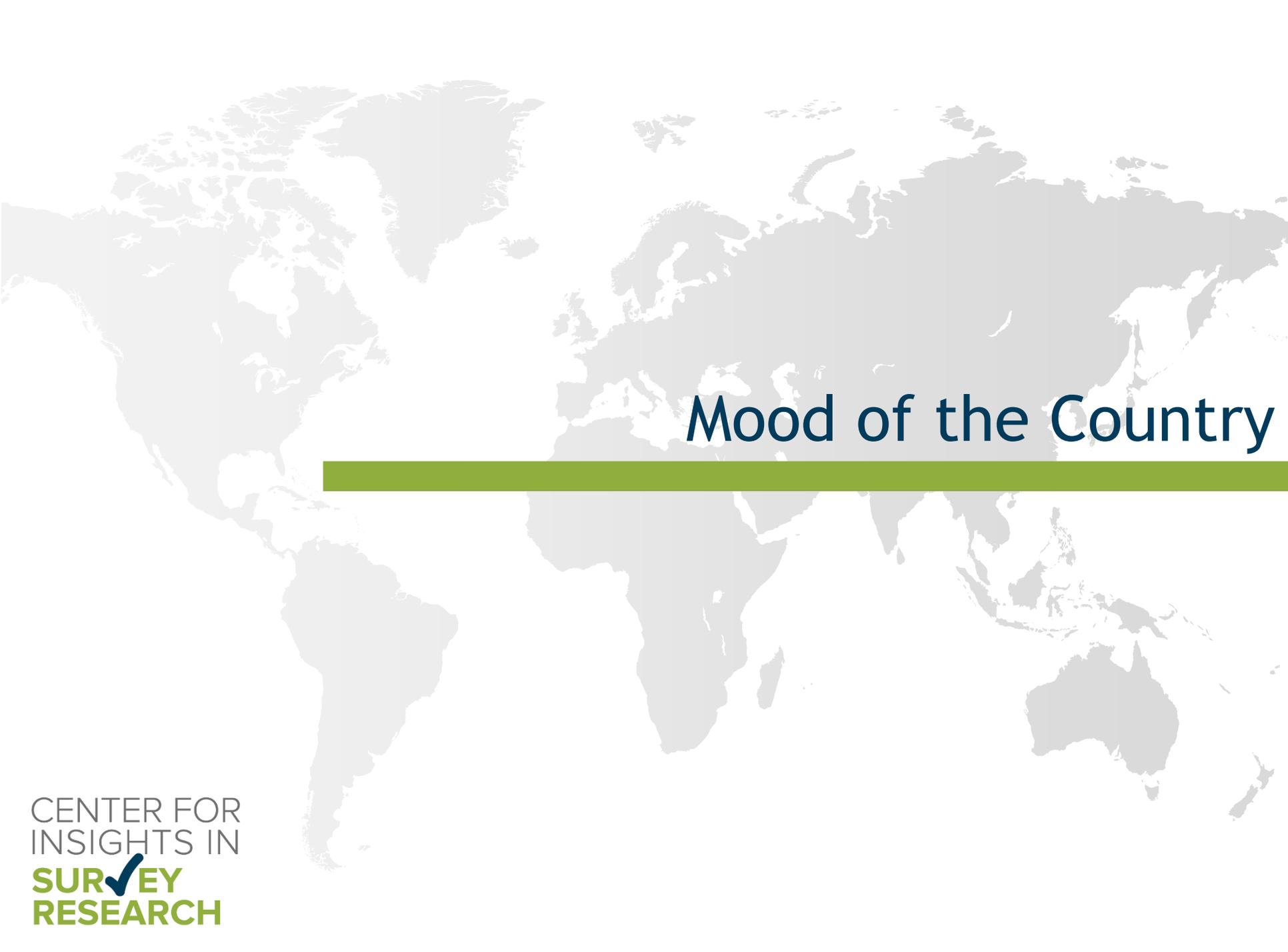
# Public Opinion Survey Residents of Moldova

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# Detailed Methodology

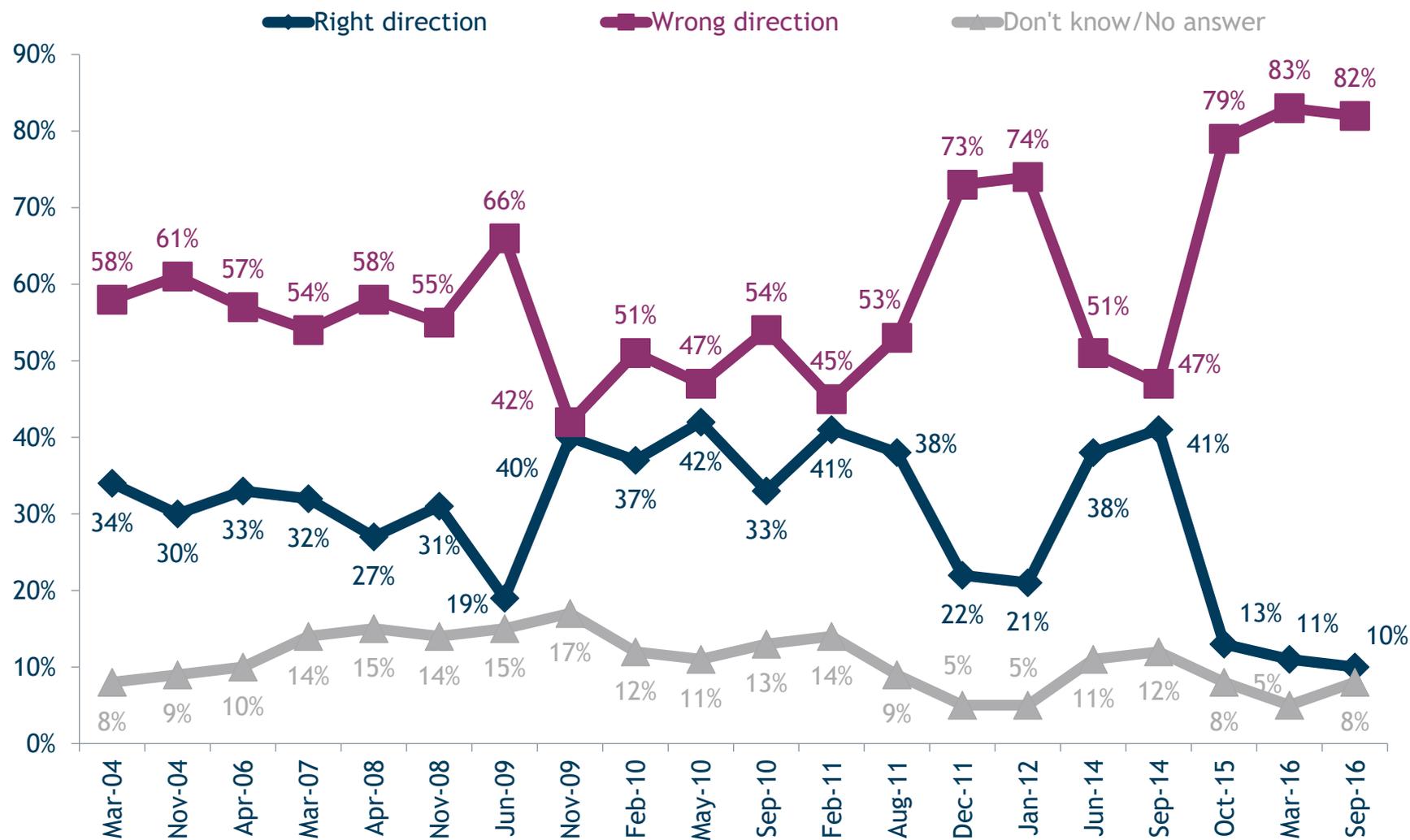
- The survey was coordinated by Dr. Rasa Ališauskienė from the public opinion and market research company, [Baltic Surveys/The Gallup Organization](#) on behalf of the [International Republican Institute](#). The field work was carried out by [Magenta Consulting](#).
- Data was collected throughout Moldova (with the exception of Transnistria) between September 1-23, 2016 through face-to-face interviews at respondents' homes.
- The main sample consisted of 1,516 permanent residents of Moldova older than the age of 18 and eligible to vote. The survey also contained an oversample in the capital of Chisinau. 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 Moldova are grouped into 11 groups. All regions of Moldova were surveyed.
  - Stage Two: Selection of the settlements - cities and villages.
    - 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 2.8 percent.
- The response rate was 61 percent.
- Charts and graphs may not add up to 100 percent due to rounding.
- The survey was funded by the [National Endowment for Democracy](#).



# Mood of the Country

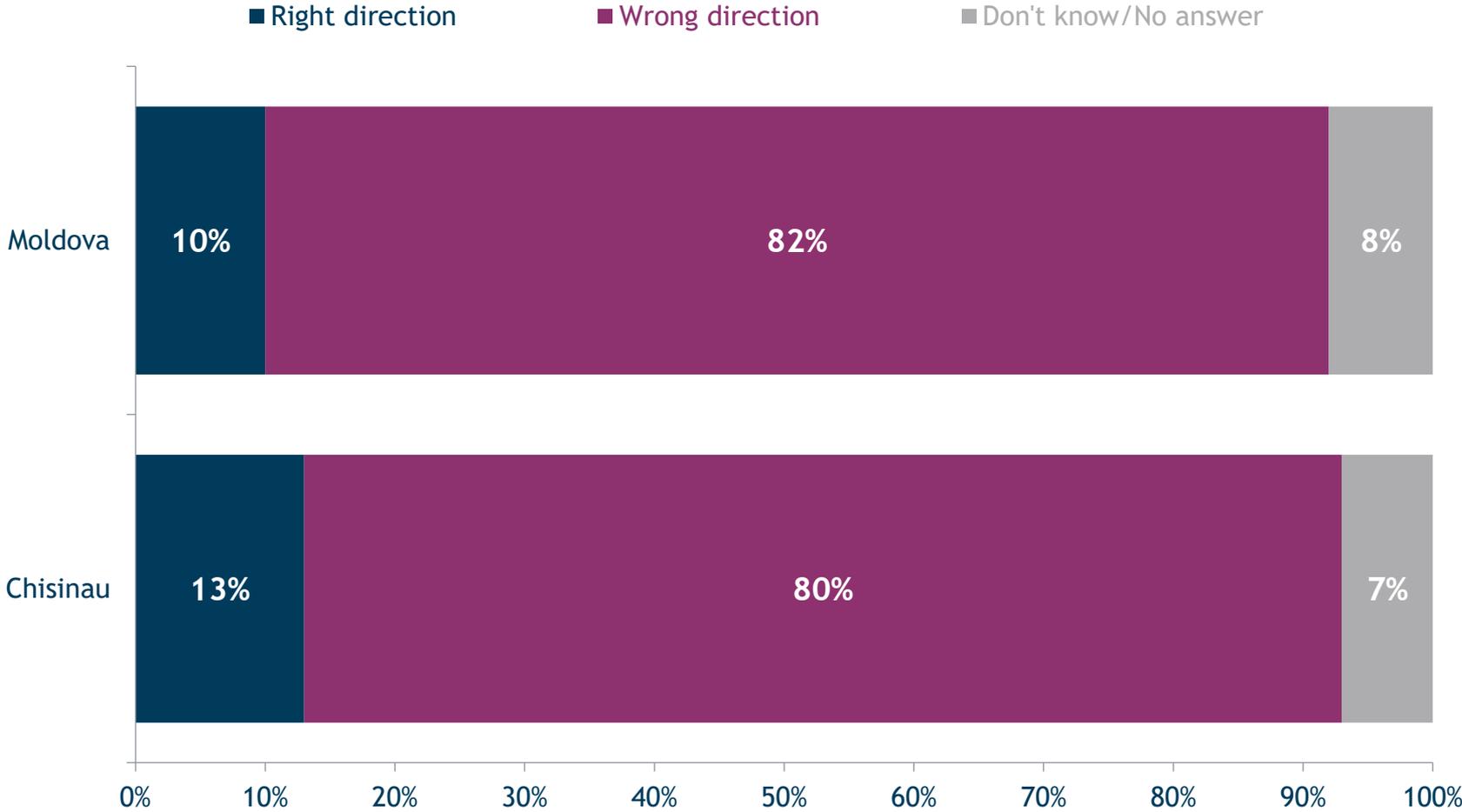
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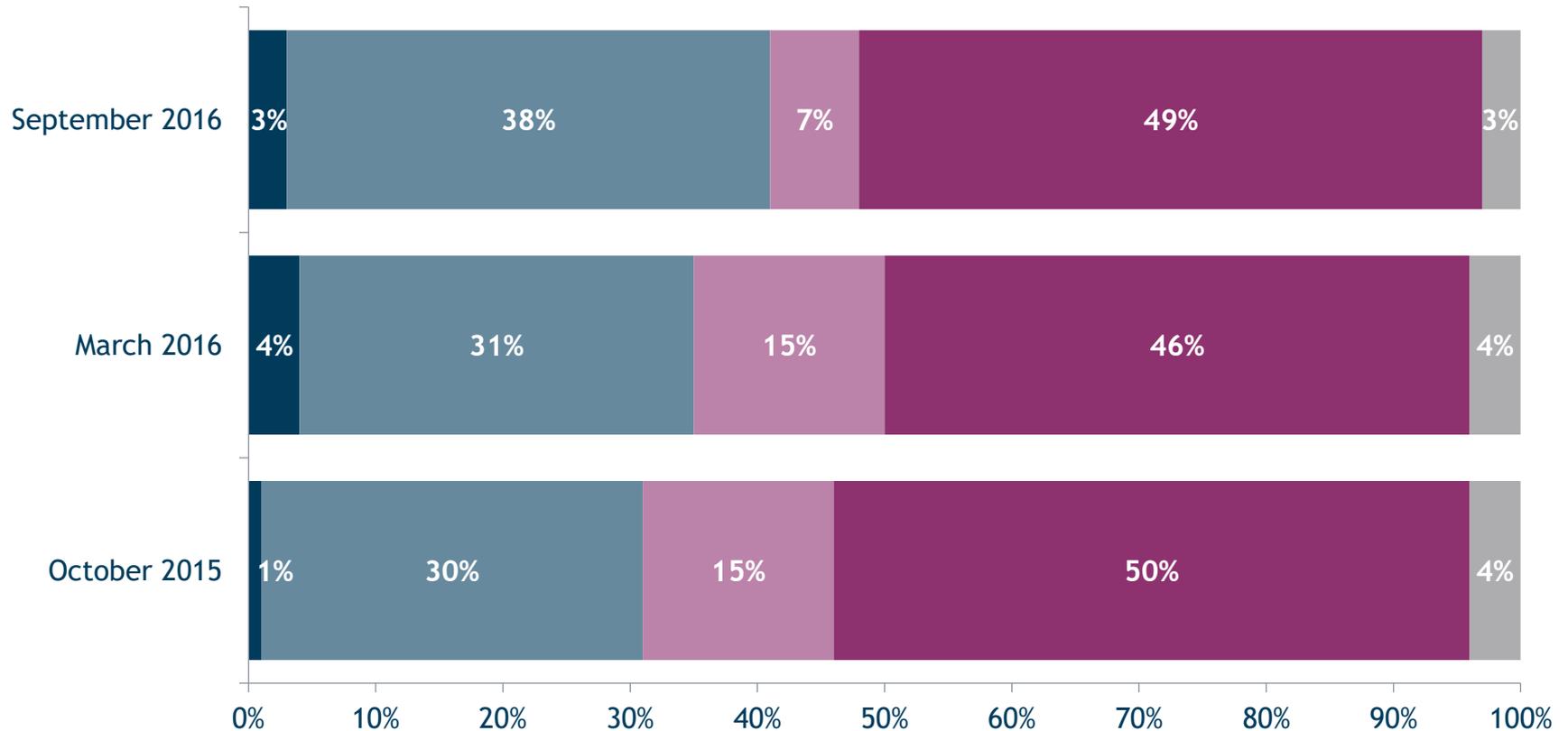
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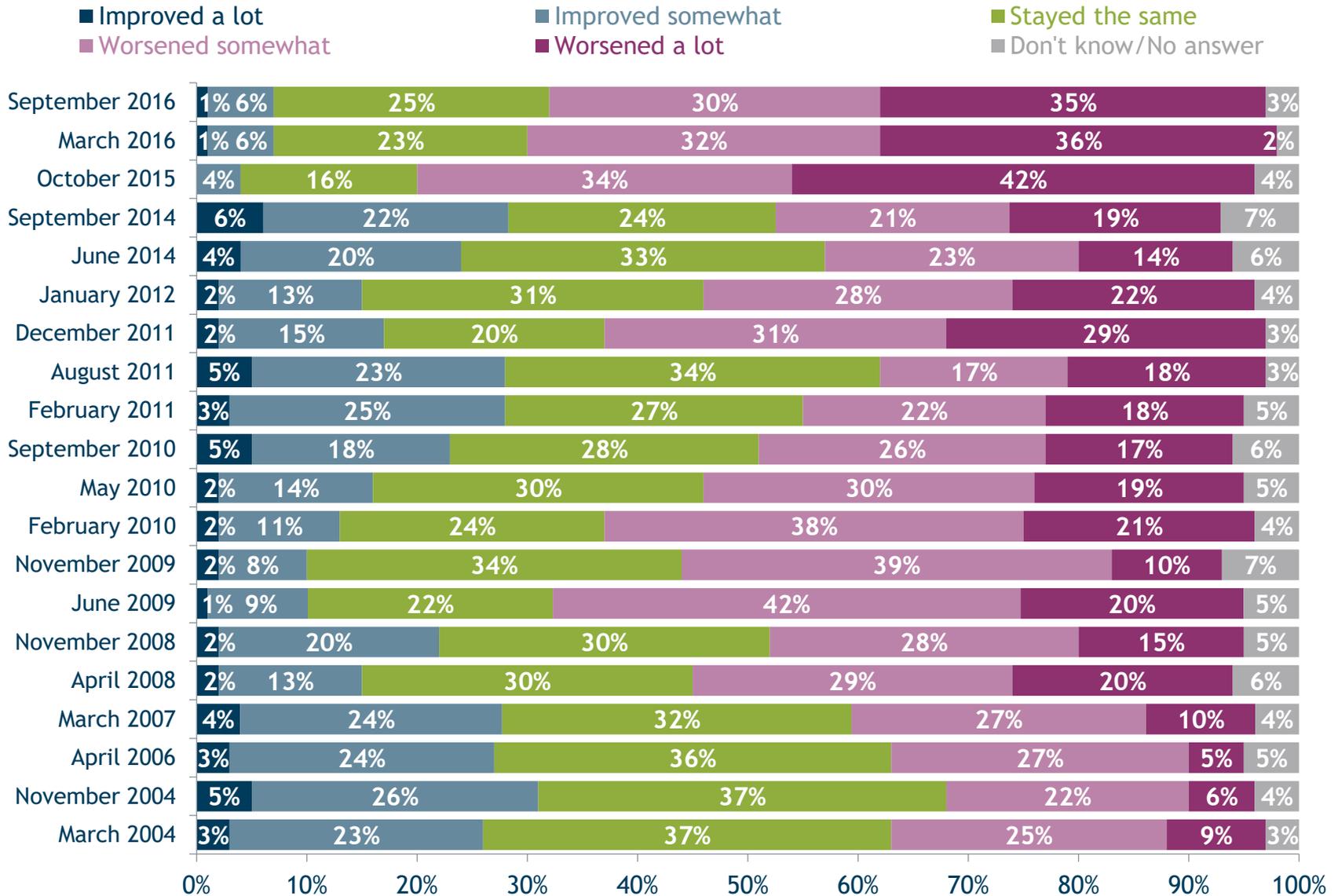


# Are you satisfied with the pace of change in Moldova today?

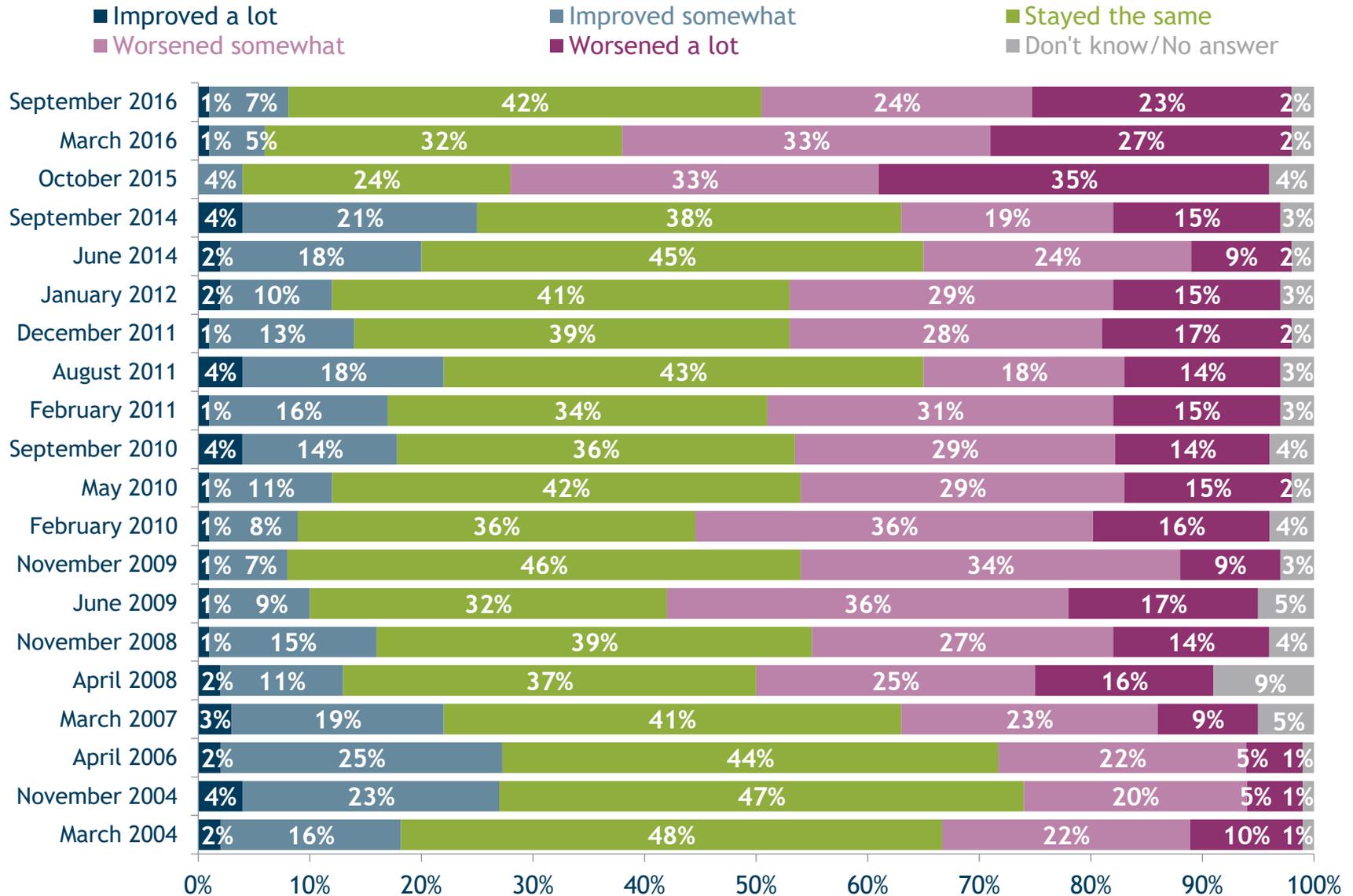
- I am satisfied; change is happening at the right pace
- I am dissatisfied; change is not happening fast enough
- I am dissatisfied; change is happening too fast
- No change is taking place
- Don't know/No answer



# Over the last 12 months, how has the economic situation in Moldova changed?

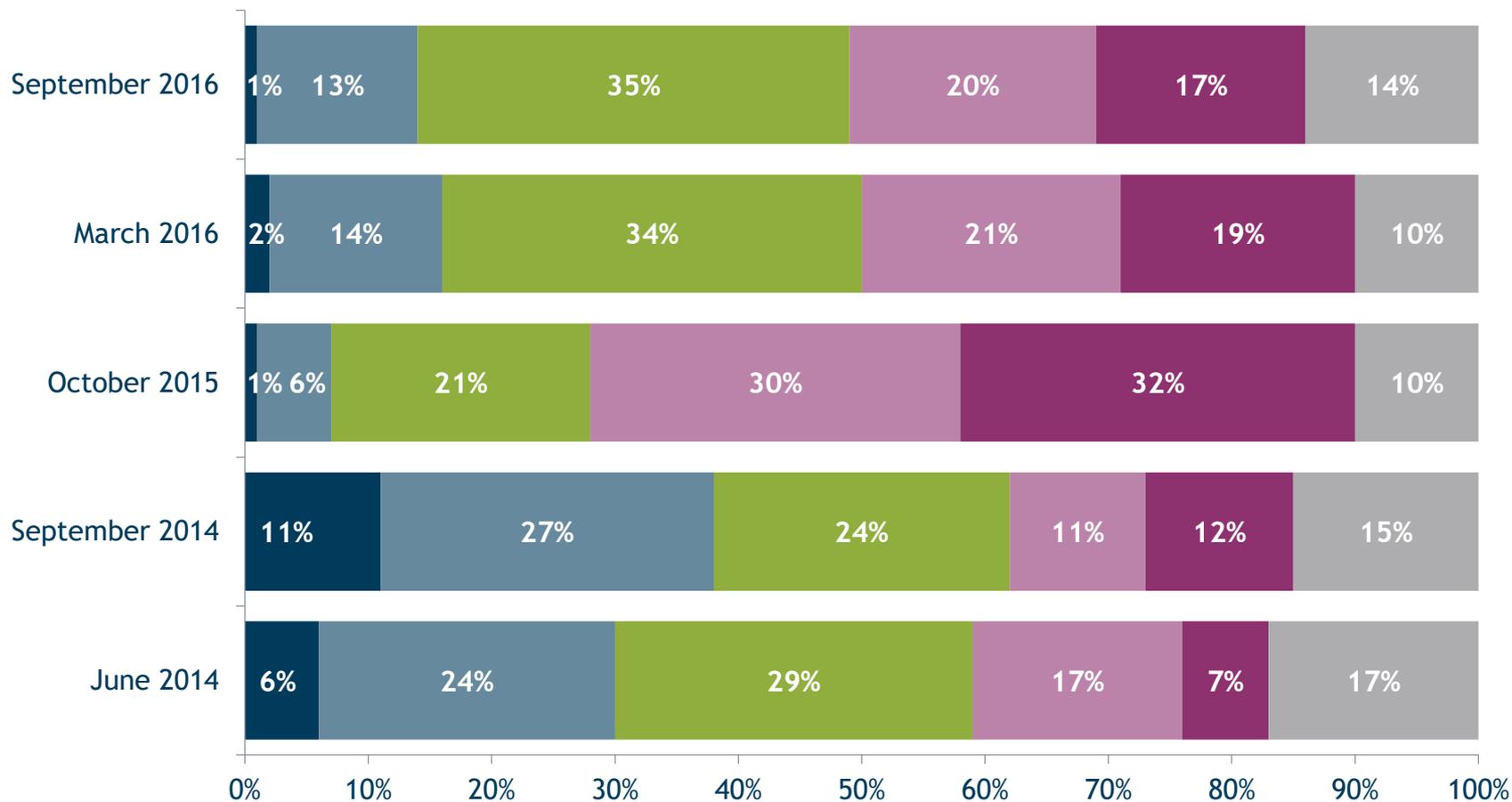


# Over the last 12 months, how has the financial situation of your household changed?



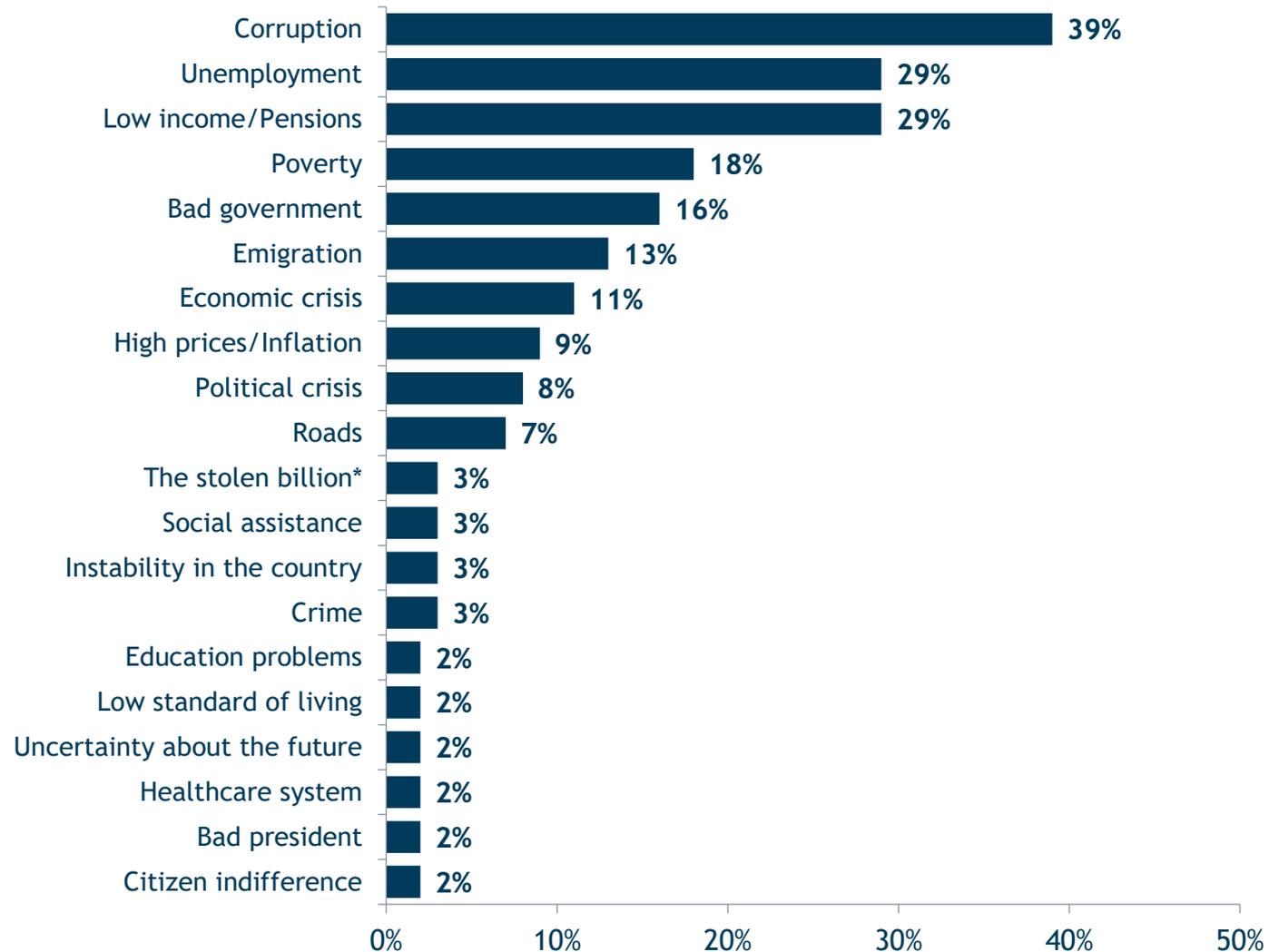
# In your opinion, how will economic situation of Moldova change in the next 12 months?

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



# What are the most important problems that Moldova is facing at the moment?

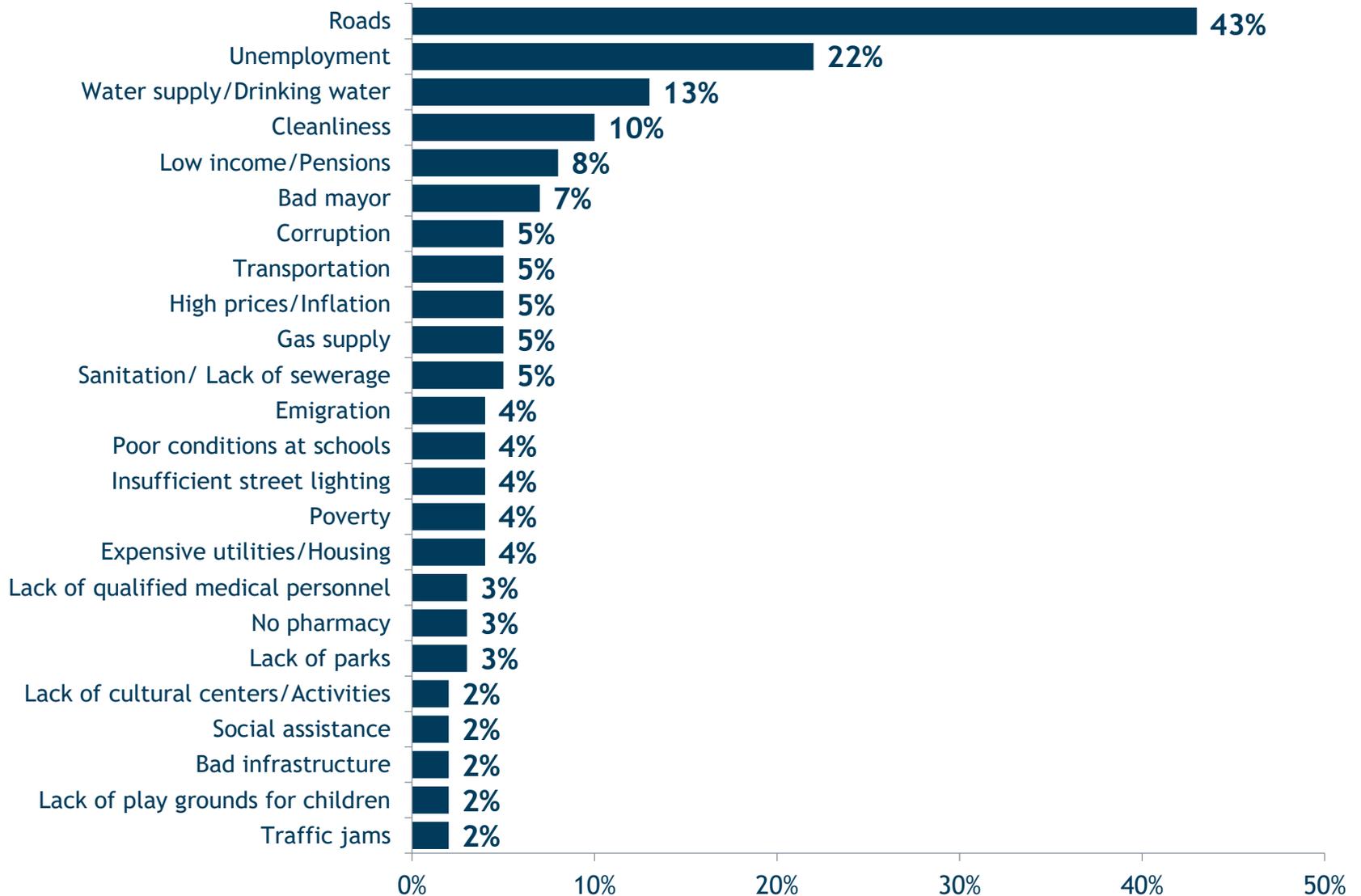
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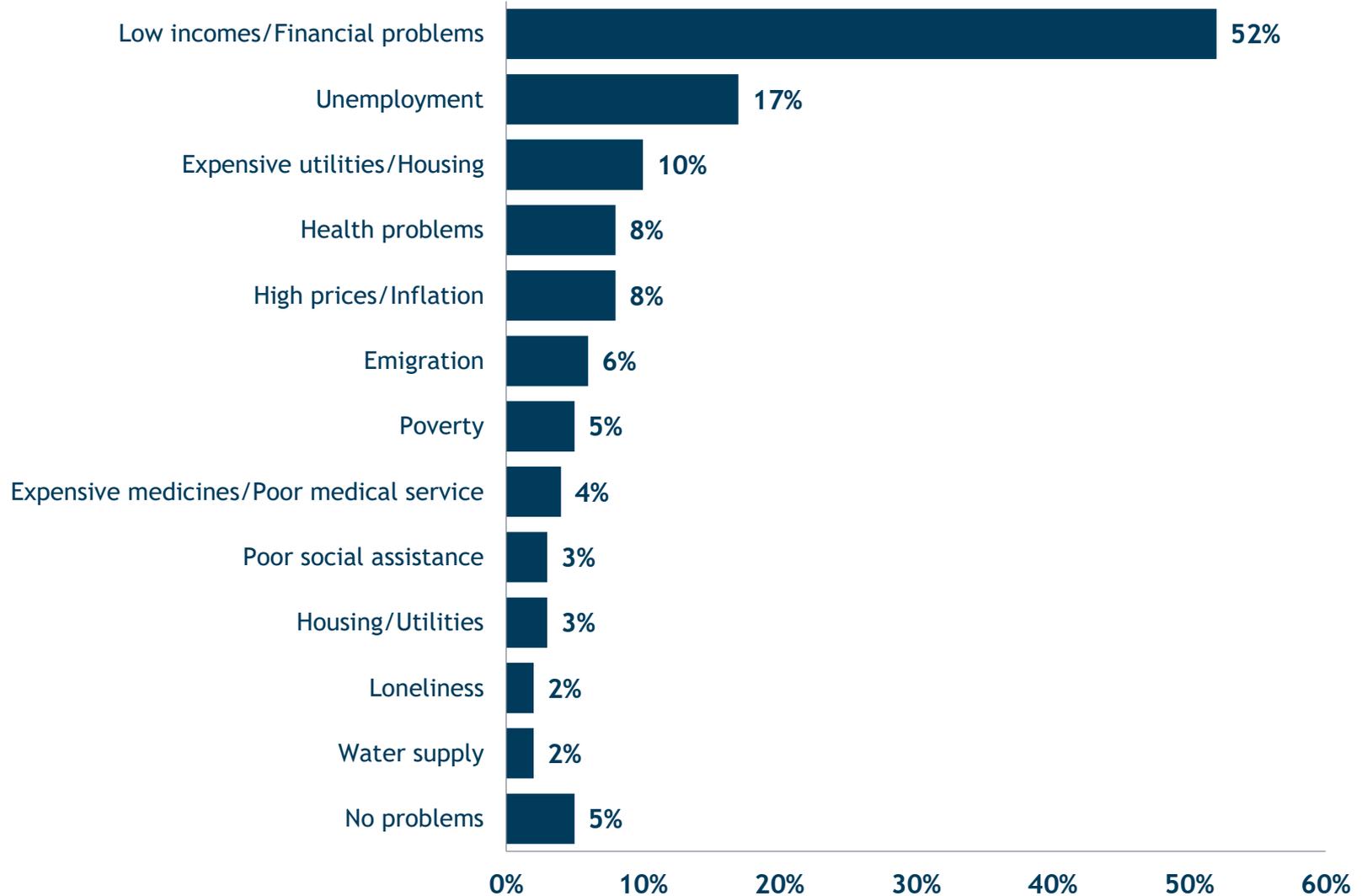
# What are the most important problems that your village/town is facing at the moment?

(Three spontaneous answers)



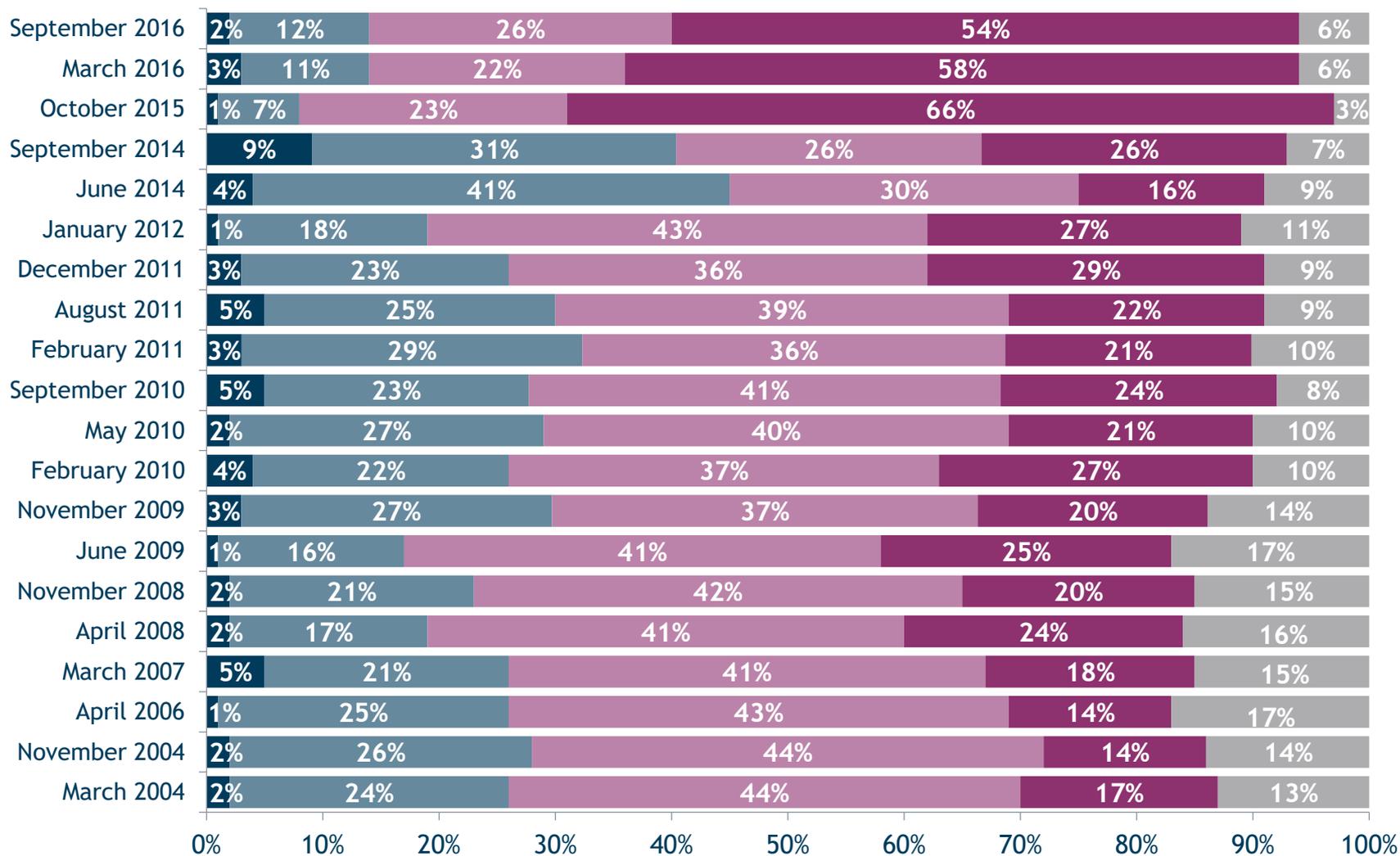
# What are the most important problems facing you and your household?

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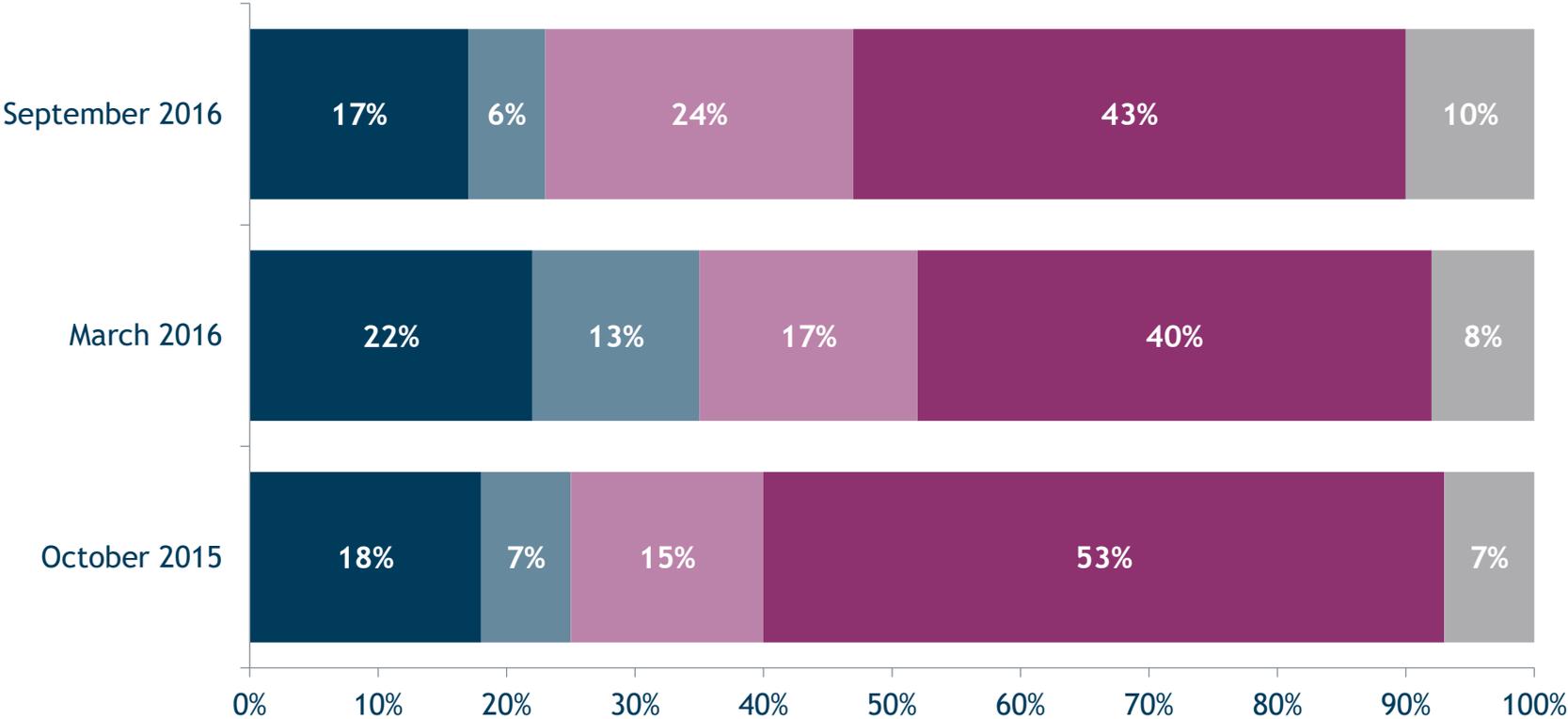
# How satisfied are you with the way democracy is developing in Moldova?

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

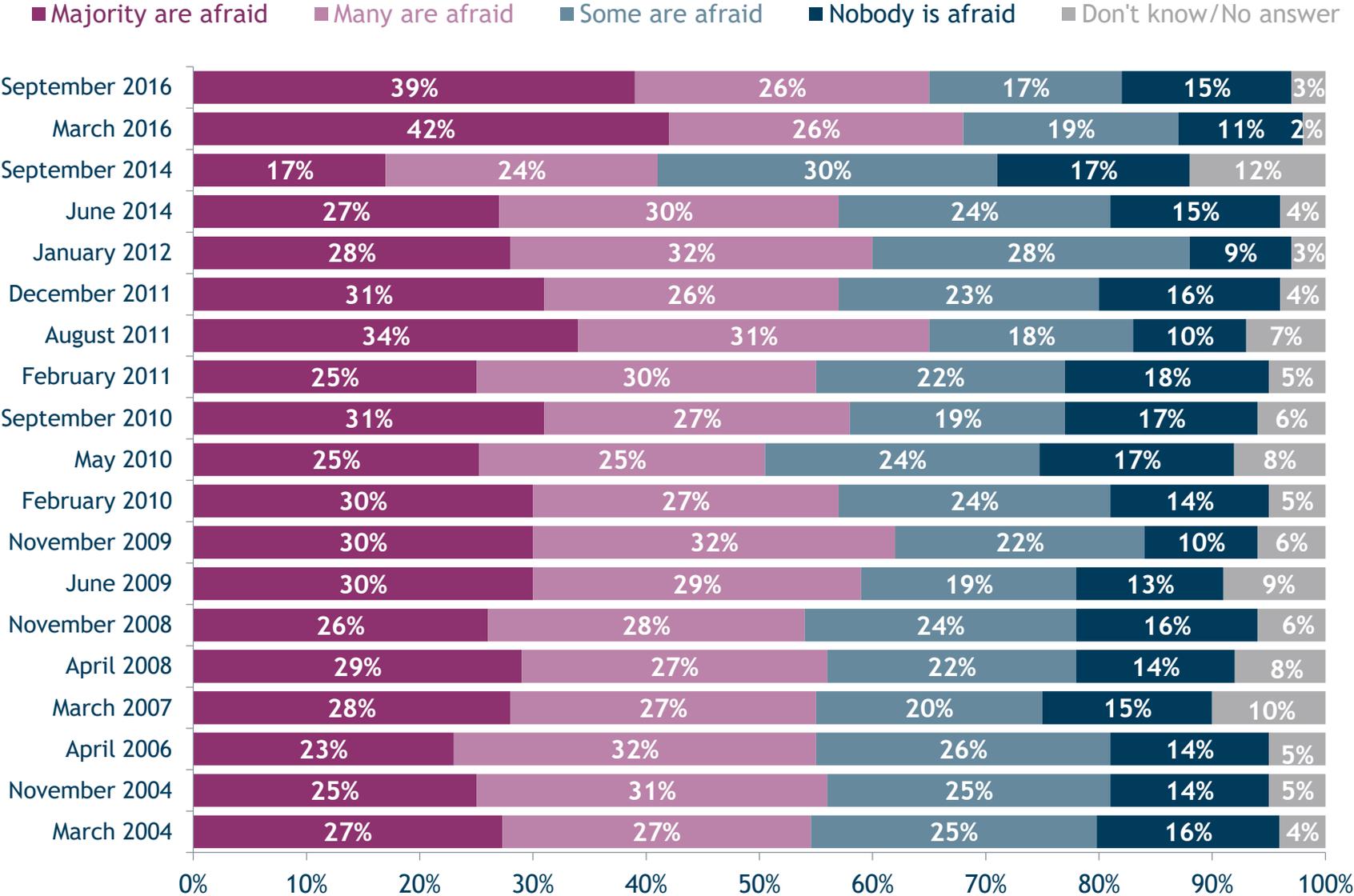


# If you could have only one or the other, which is more important to you: a democratic system of government or a prosperous economy?

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

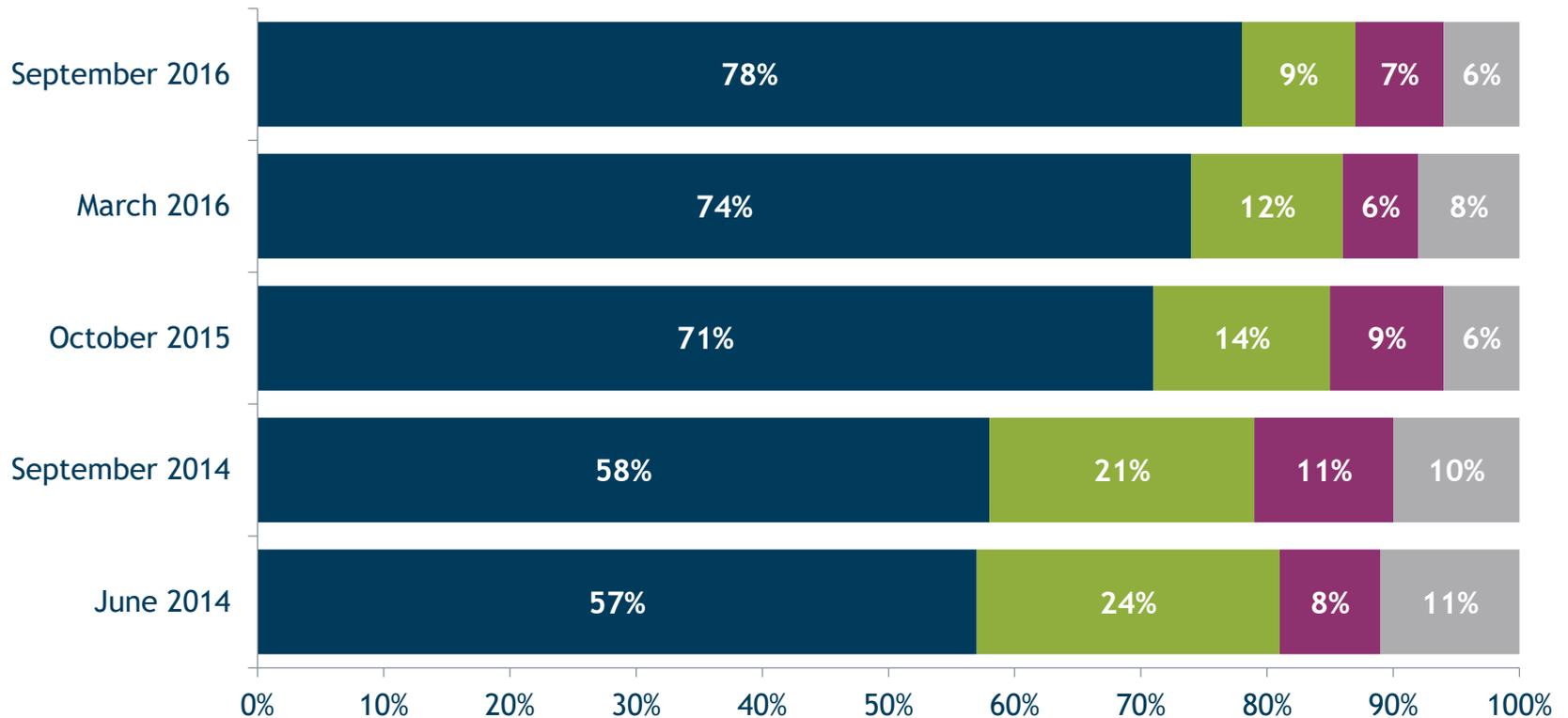


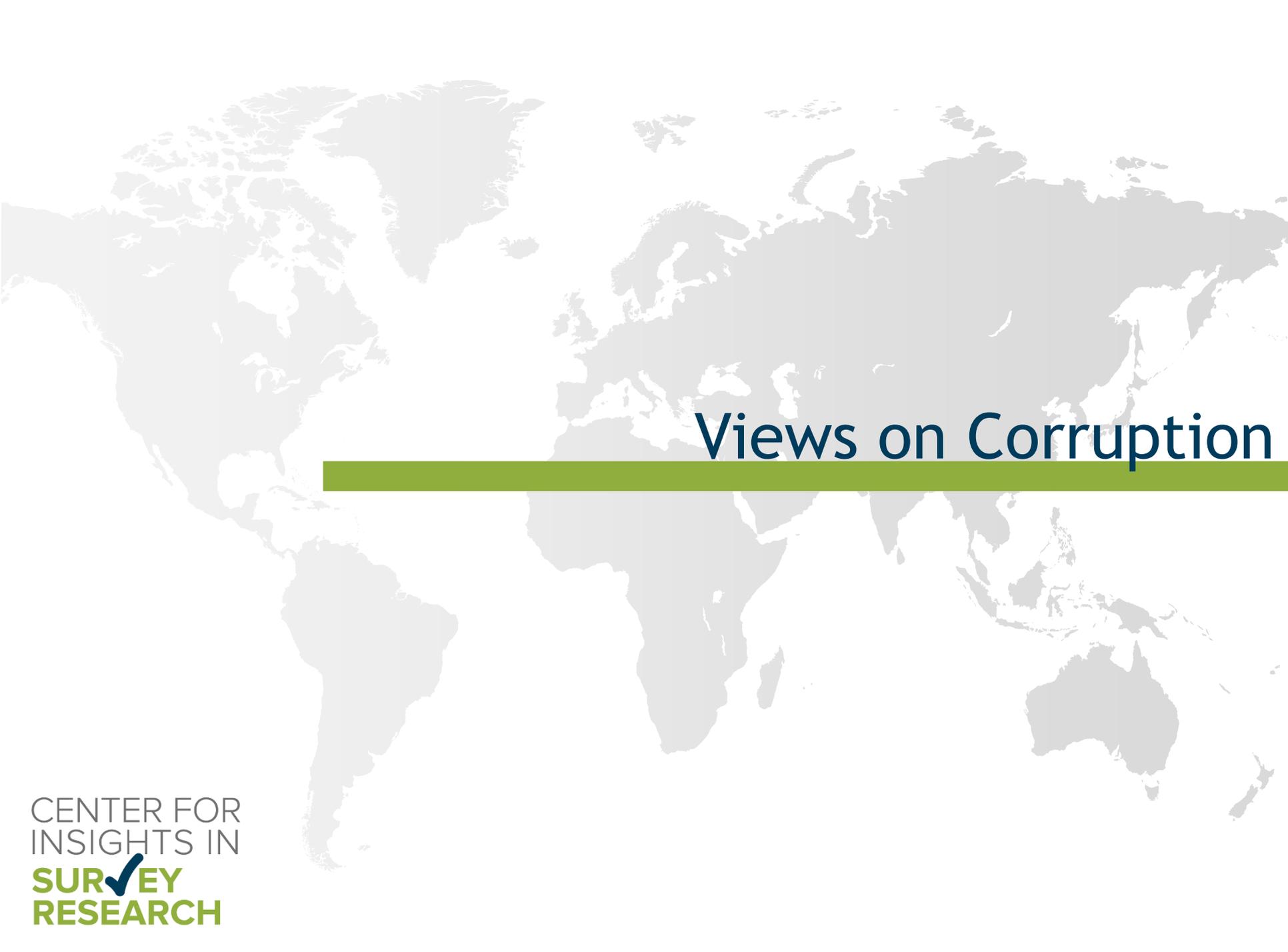
# Are people in Moldova afraid to openly express their political views?



# Which of these statements is closest to your own point of view?

- Our society needs serious reforms (structural and systemic change)
- Our society needs gradual reforms which preserve the existing system
- Our society has to be protected from the forces who want to change the current order
- Don't know/No answer



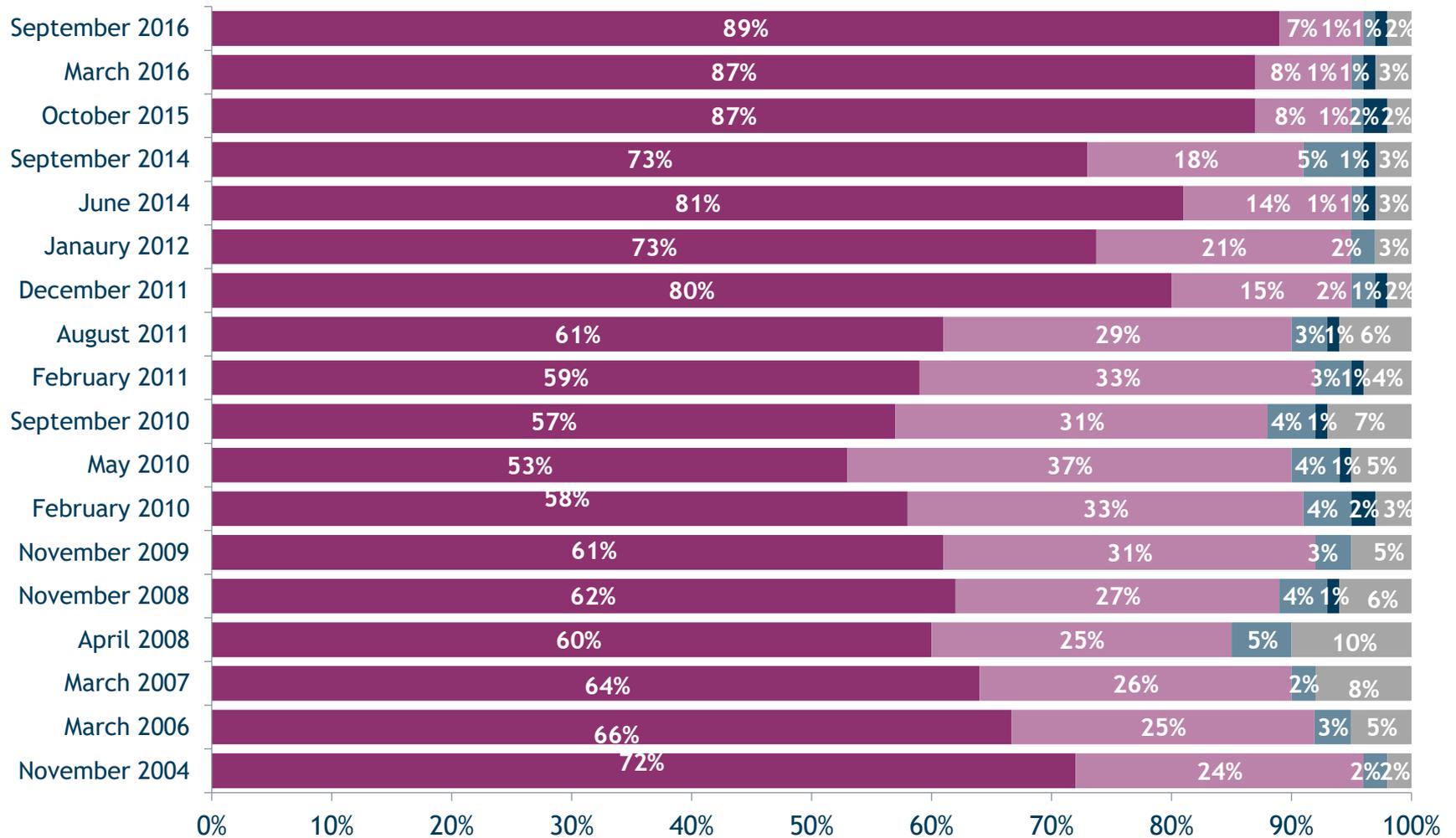


# Views on Corruption

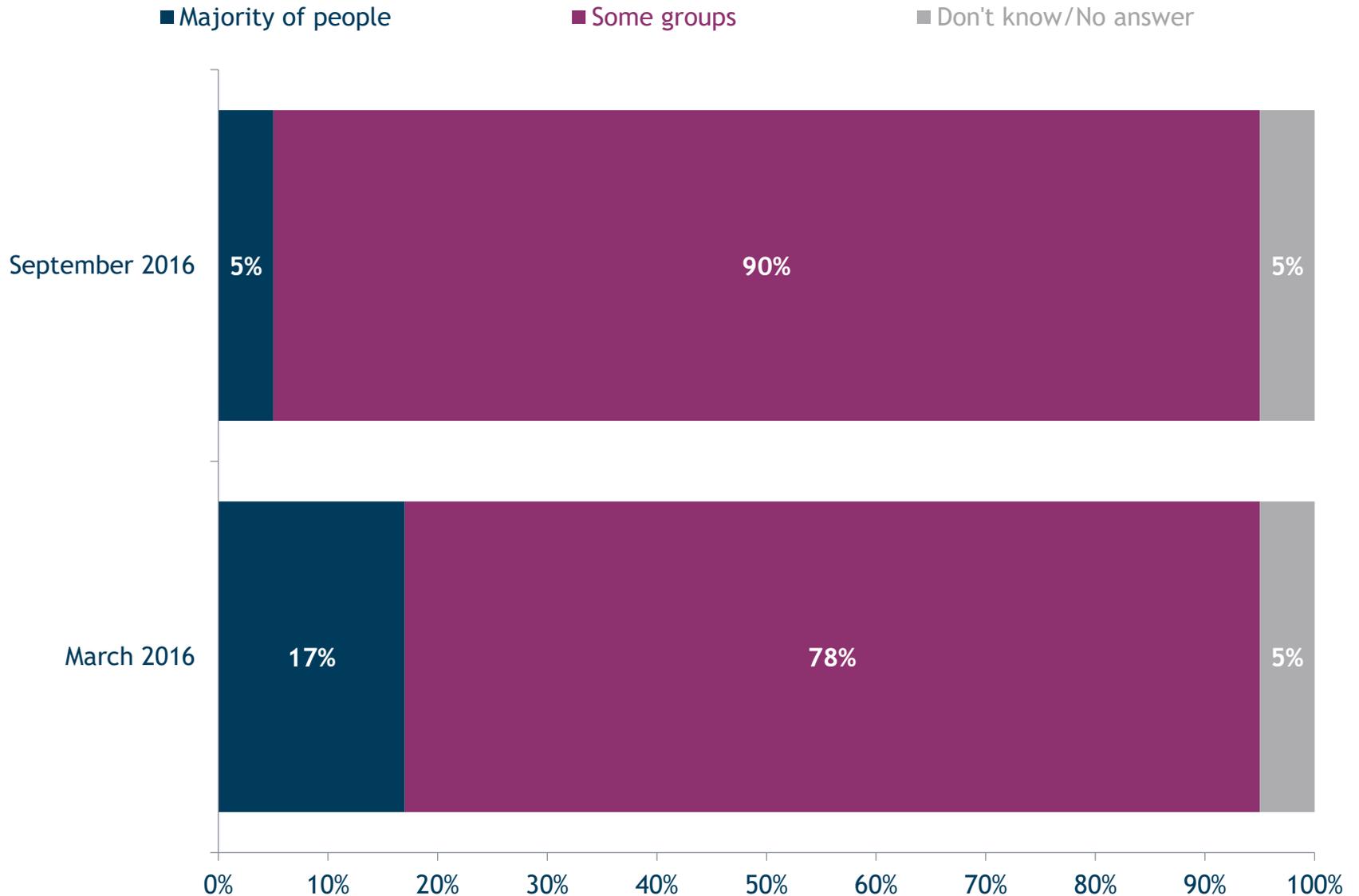
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# Is corruption a big problem in Moldova today?

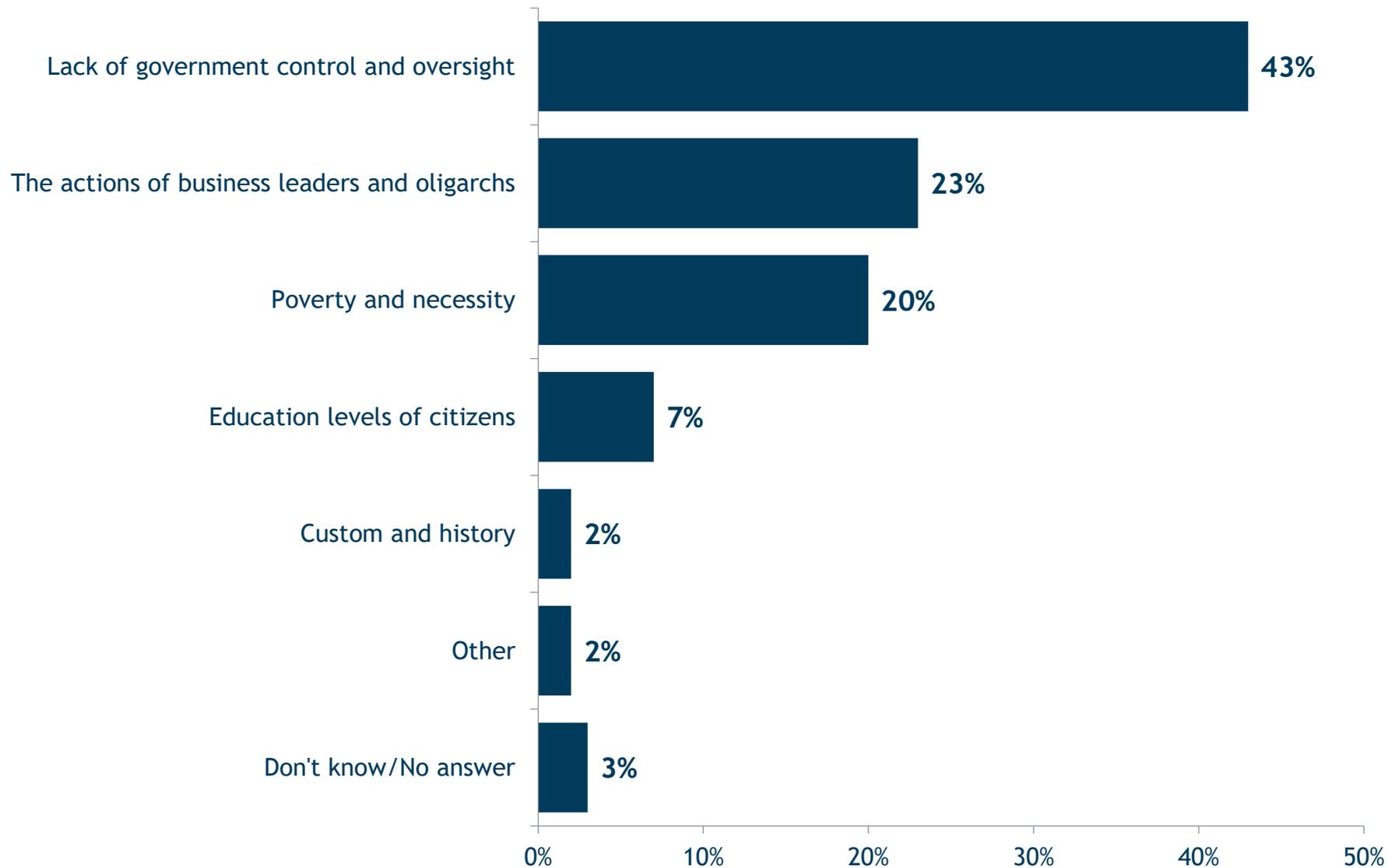
■ It is a very big issue ■ It is a big issue ■ It is not a big issue ■ It is not an issue at all ■ Don't know/No answer



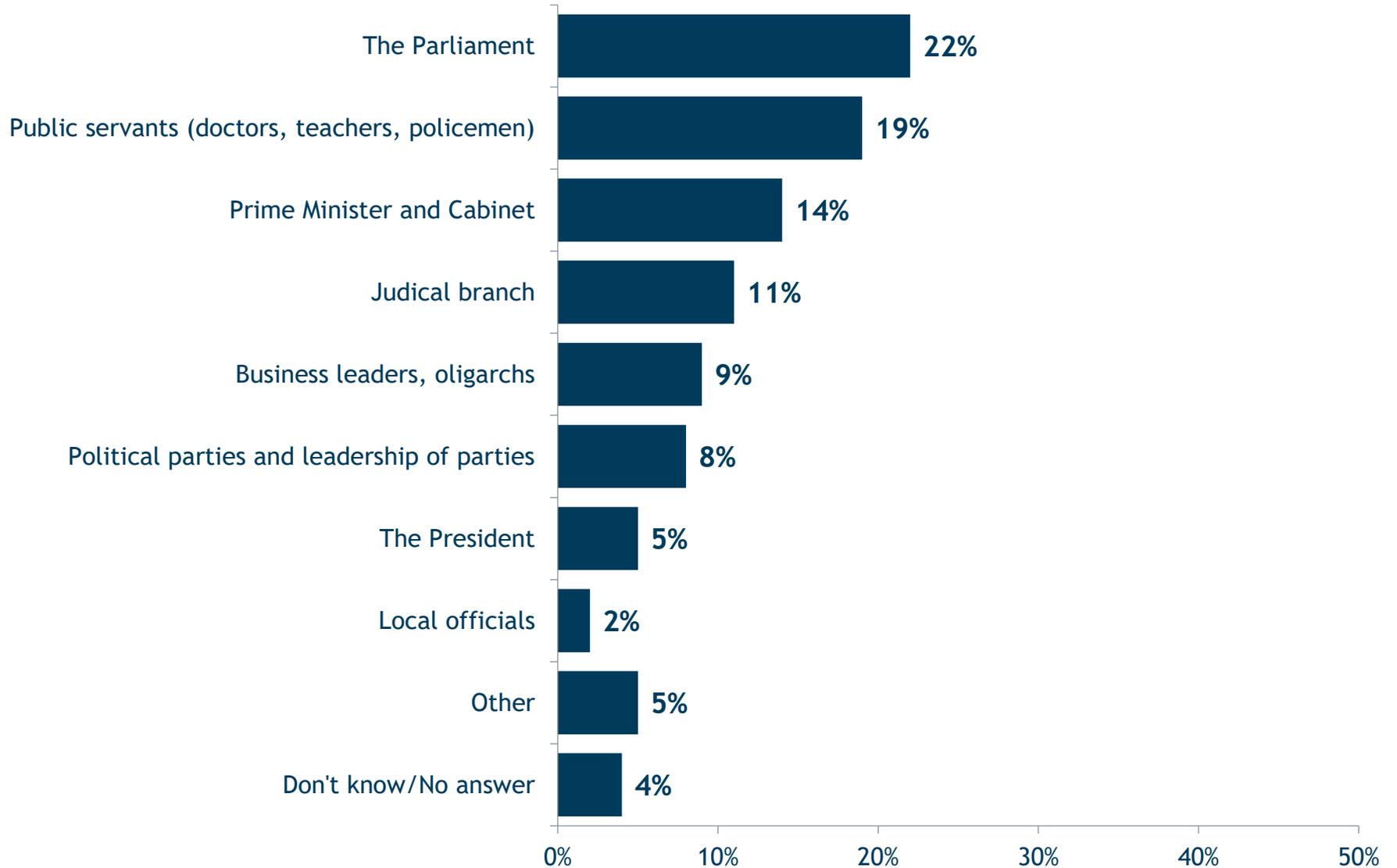
# Do you consider the country to be governed in the interest of the majority of people or the interest of some groups?



# What, in your opinion, is the greatest cause of corruption in Moldova?



# Where, in your opinion, is corruption most present in Moldova?

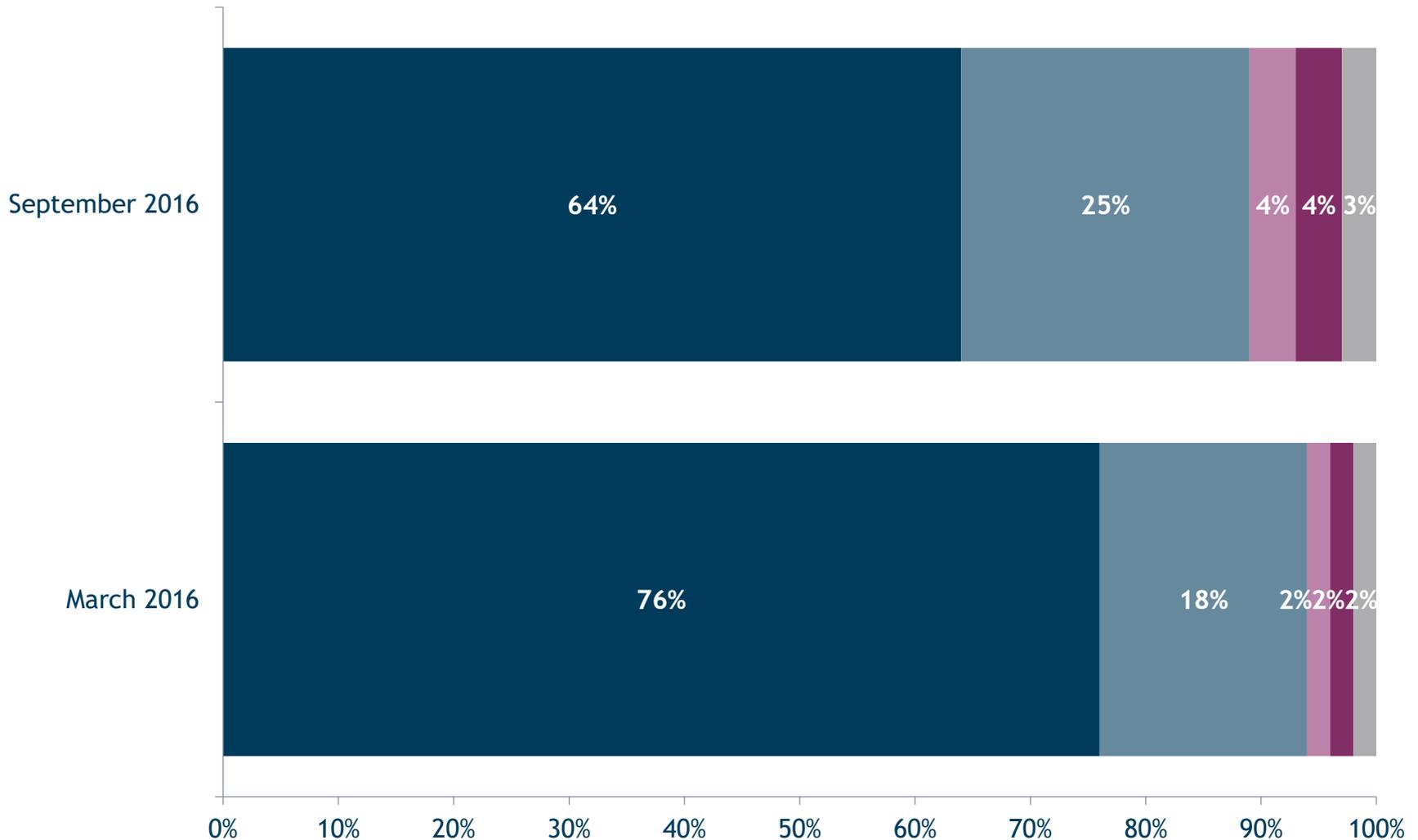




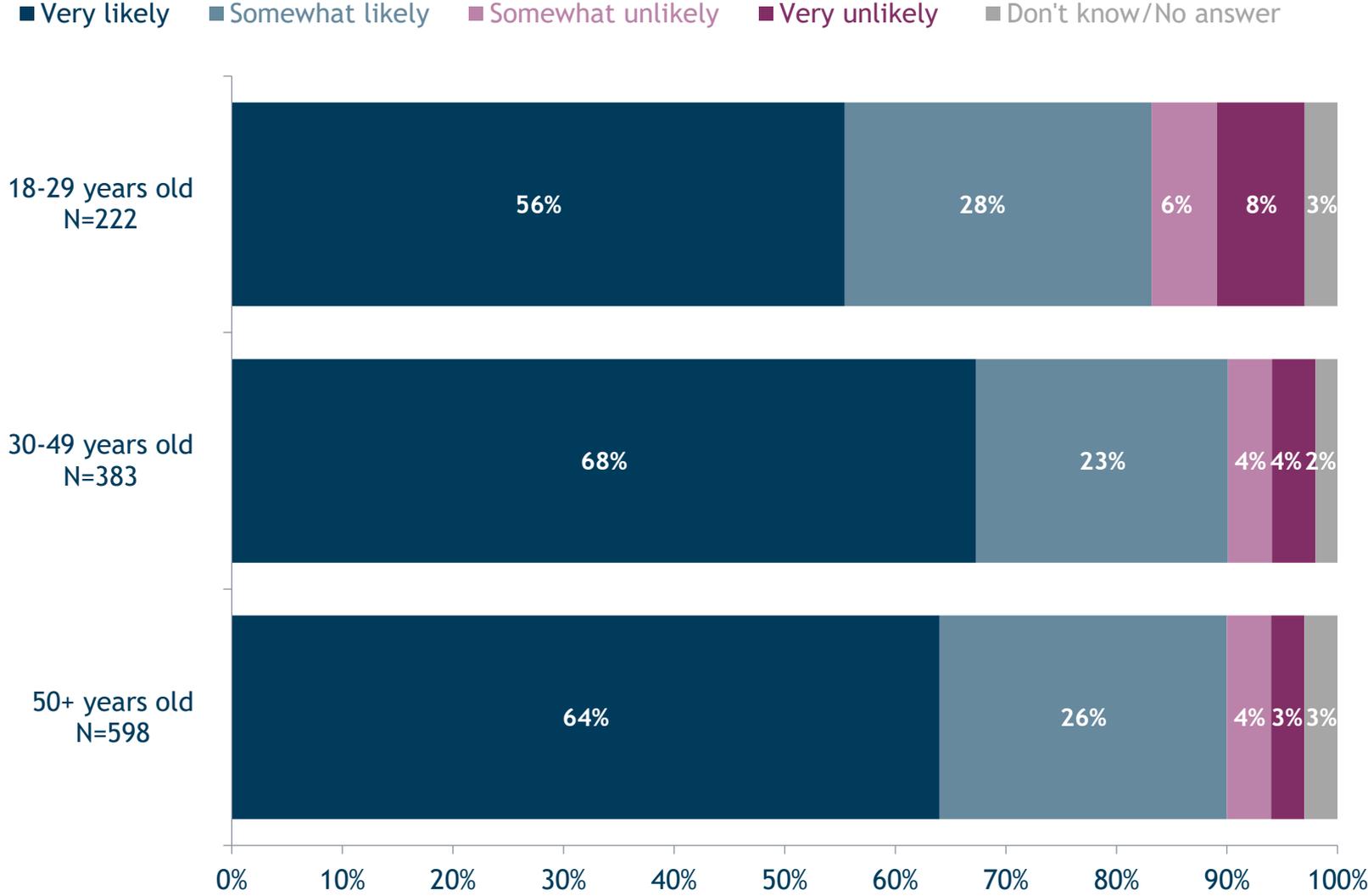
# Upcoming presidential election

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

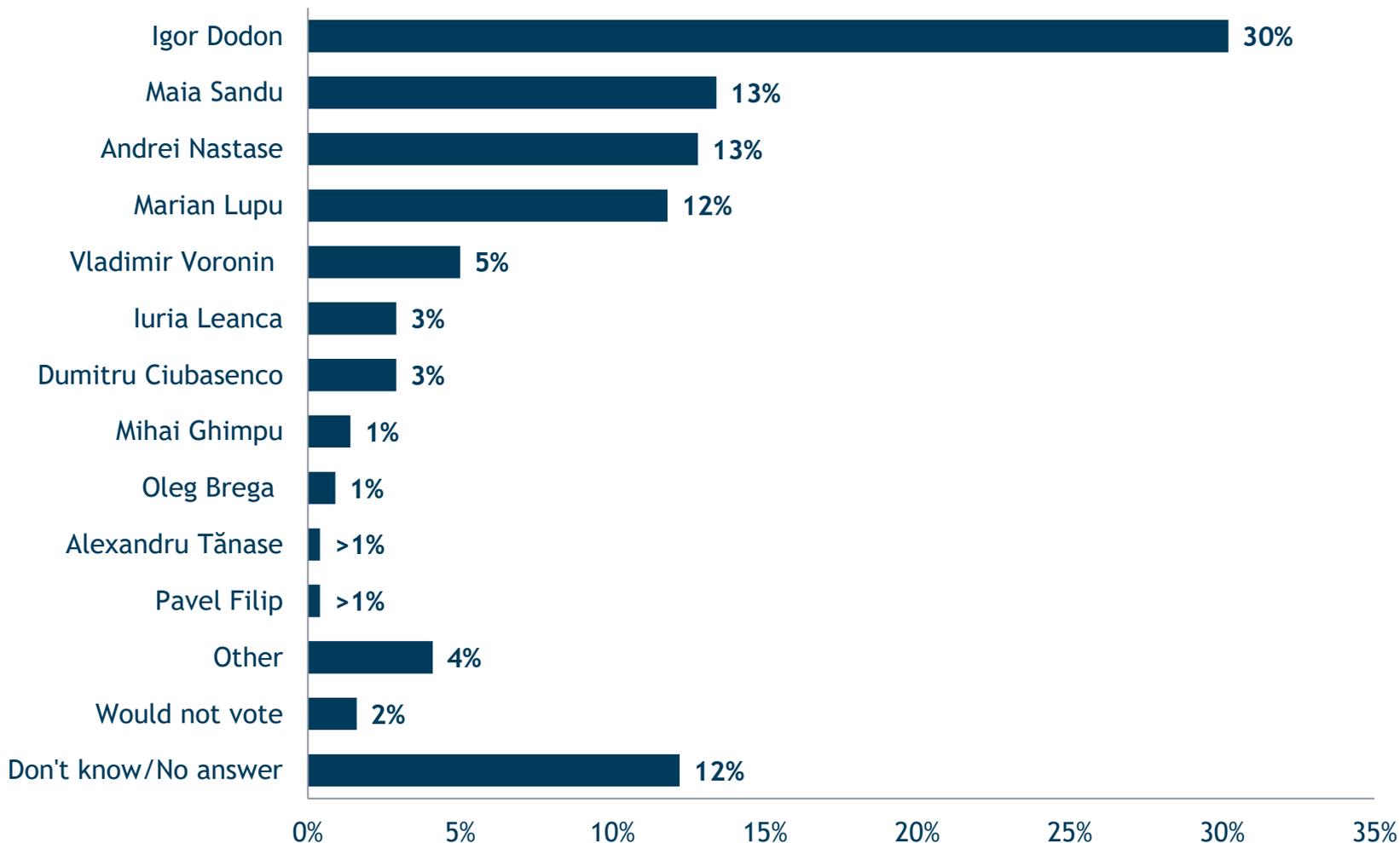
■ Very likely ■ Somewhat likely ■ Somewhat unlikely ■ Very unlikely ■ Don't know/No answer



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

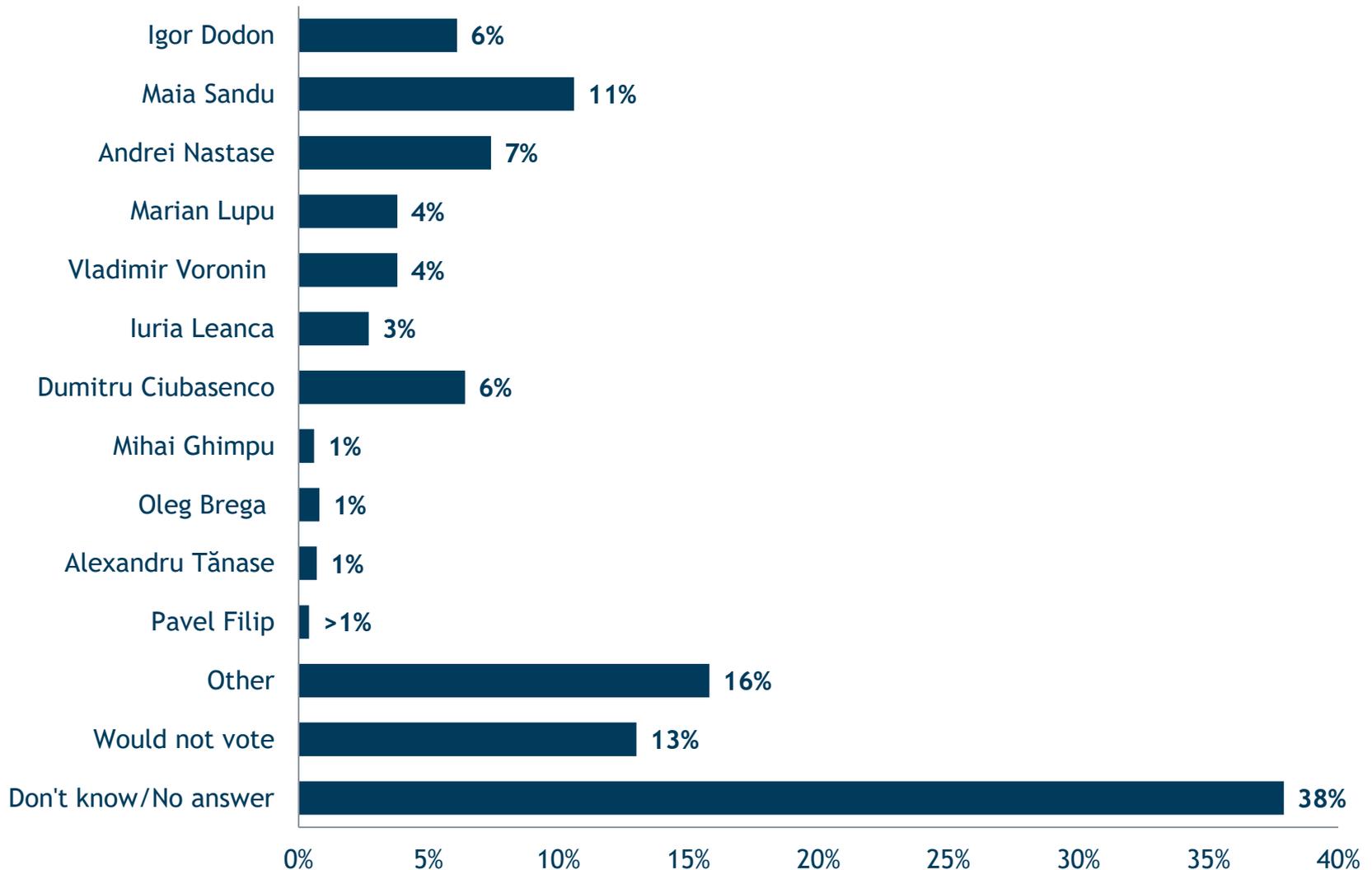


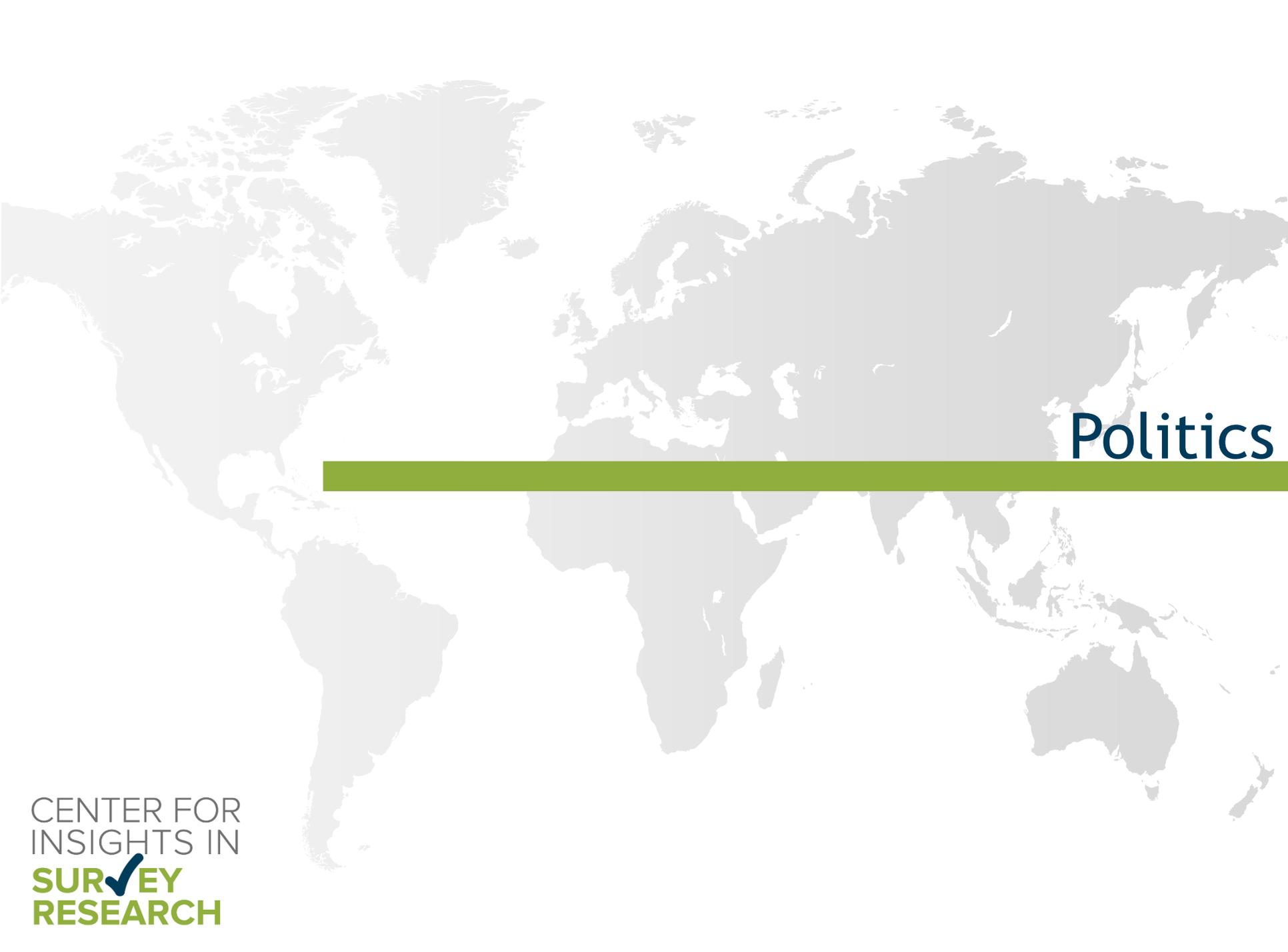
# If the presidential elections were held next Sunday, and the following individuals participated in the election, for whom would you vote? (Likely voters)



\*Due to a March 4, 2016 ruling of the Moldovan Constitutional Court, Moldovan citizens will directly elect the president on October 30, 2016. This will be the first popular election of the president since 1996.

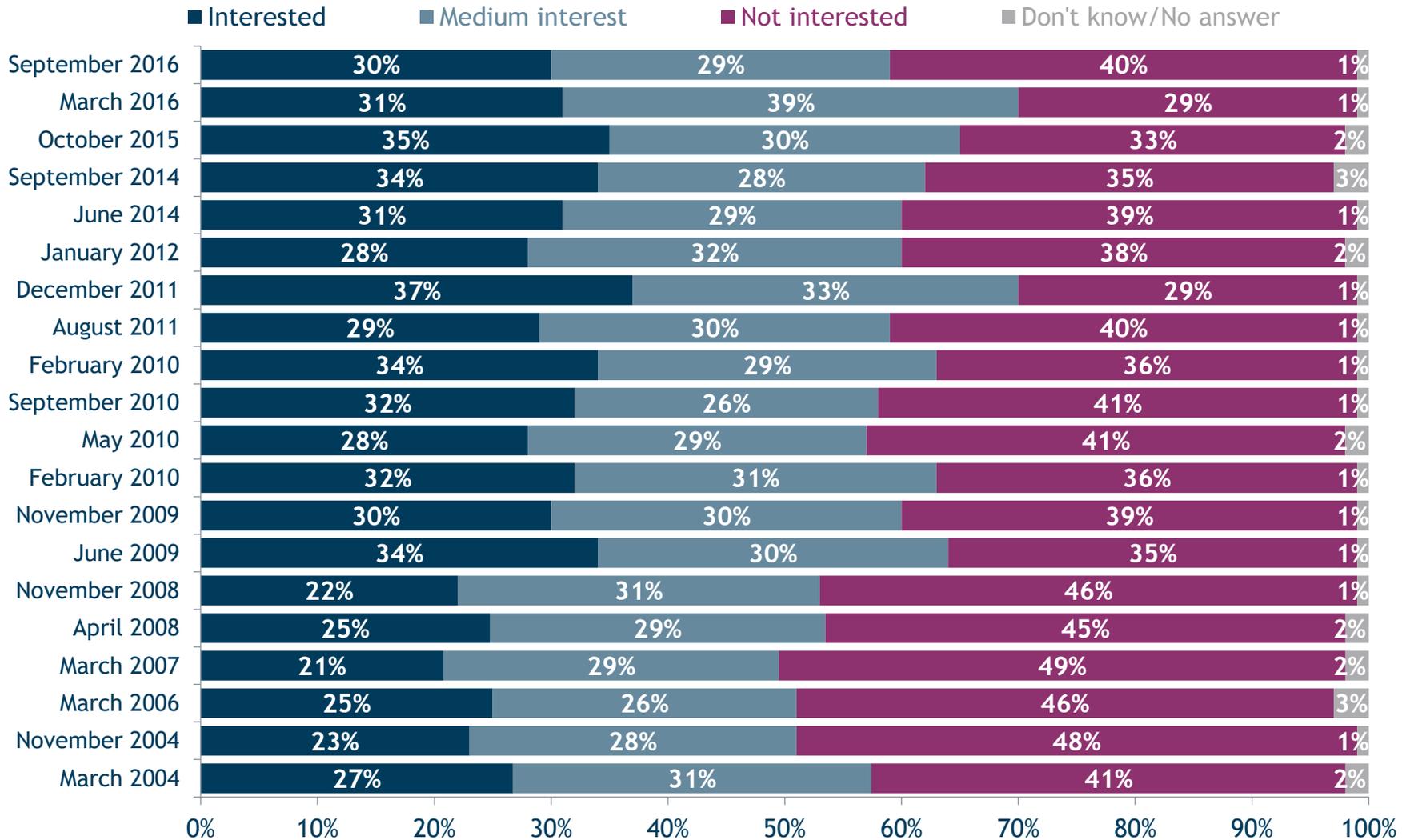
# Who would you vote for in a second round if the individual you first mentioned did not participate? (Likely voters)





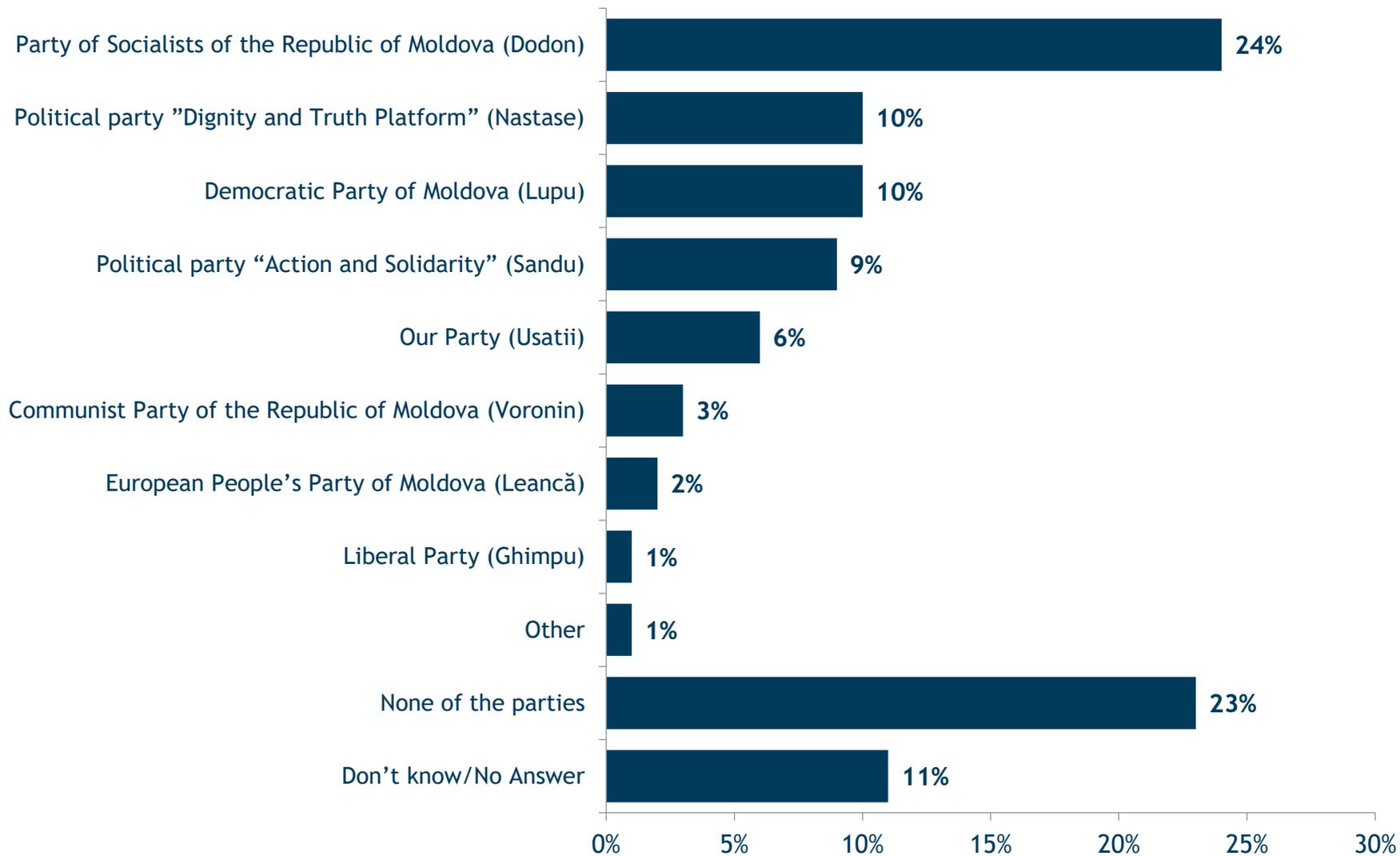
# Politics

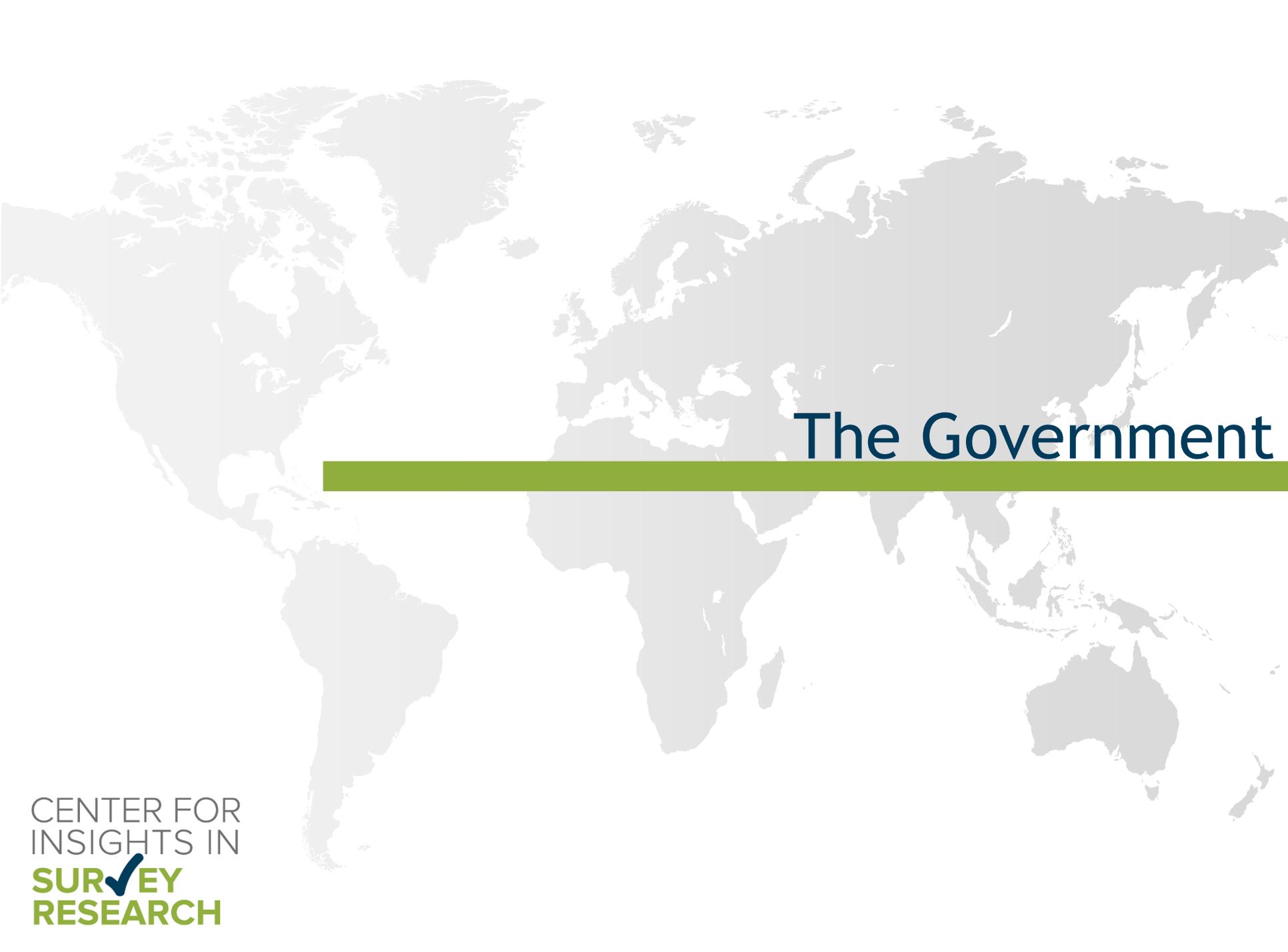
# How much interest do you have in politics?



# Which political party or political movement best represents your point of view?

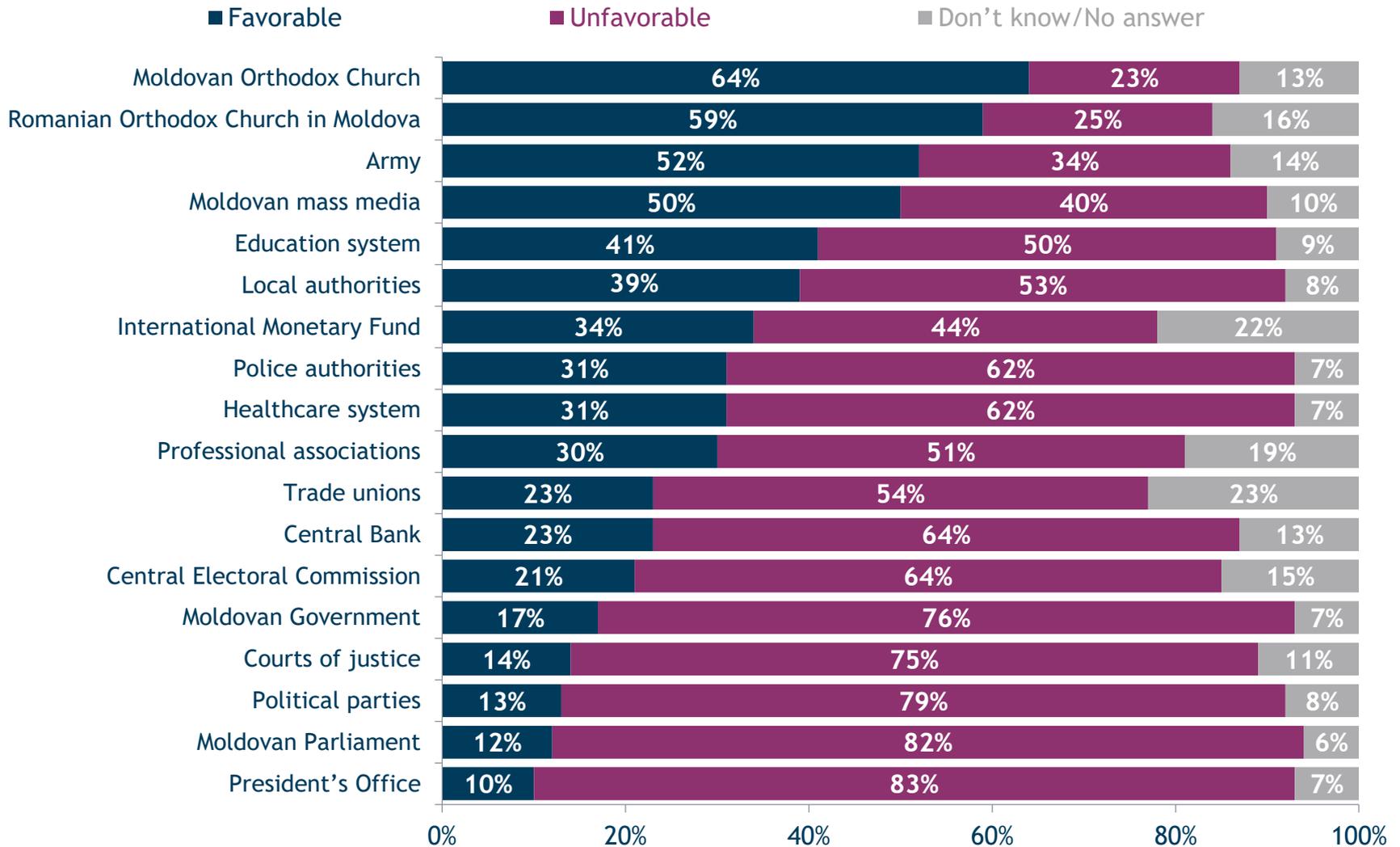
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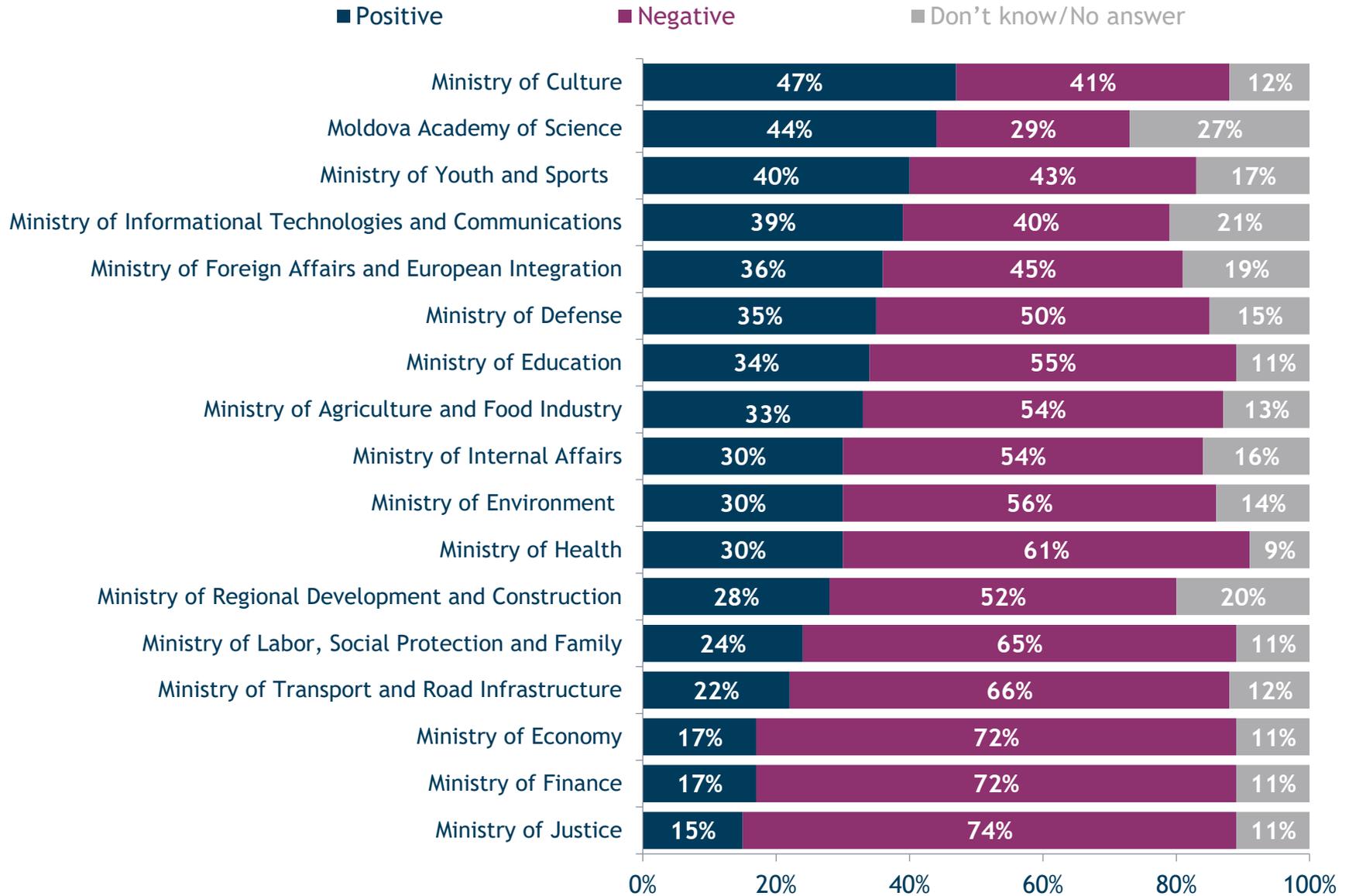


# The Government

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

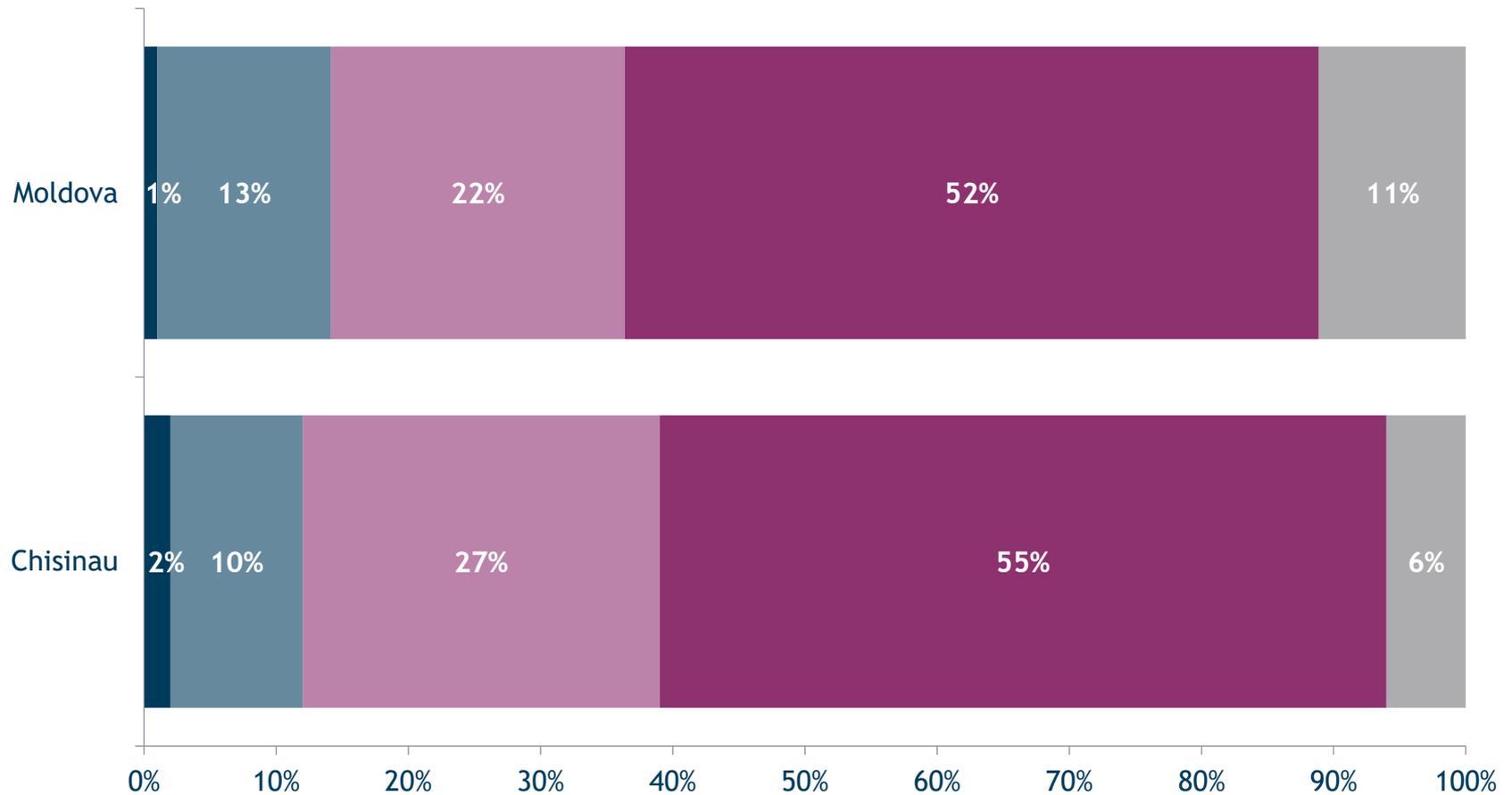


# What is your opinion of the activity of each of the following Moldovan ministers?



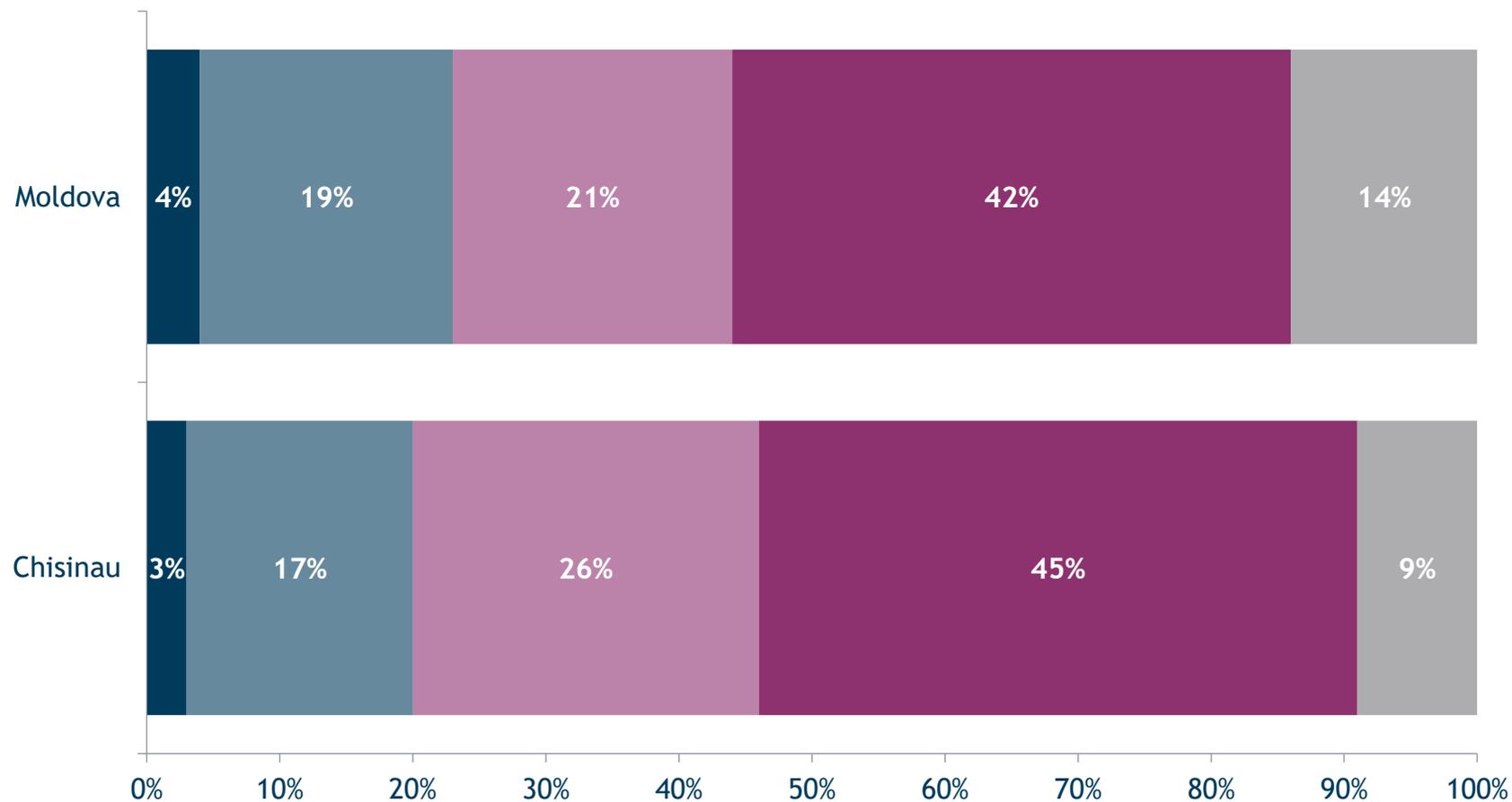
# Do you approve or disapprove of the parliamentary majority consisting of the Democratic Party, Liberal Party and former members of the Liberal Democratic Party and Communist Party?

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



# Do you approve or disapprove of the forming of the Filip government?

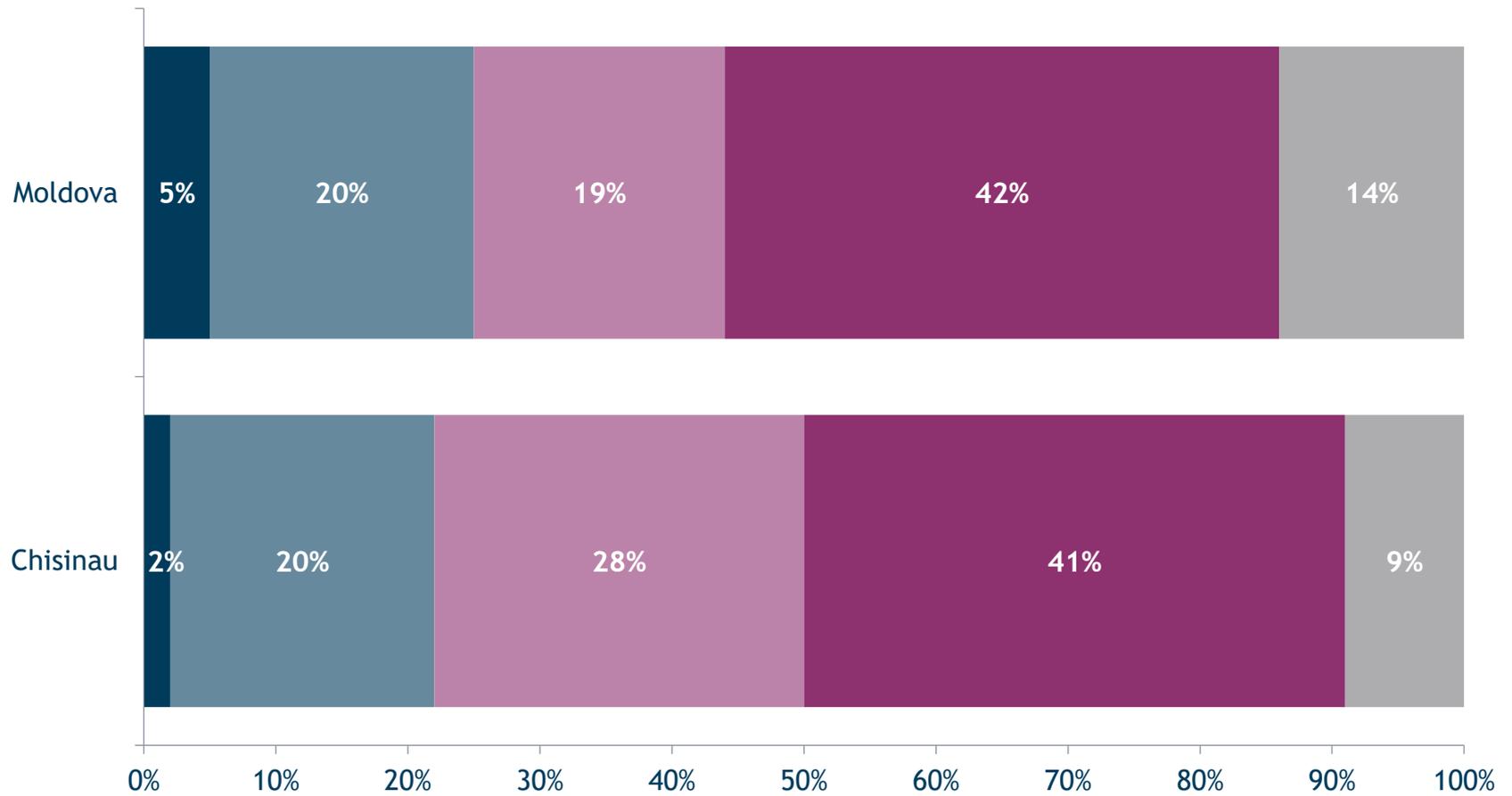
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\*On January 20, 2016, the parliament approved a new government under Prime Minister Pavel Filip. This government was formed with the support of multiple political parties and independent parliamentarians.

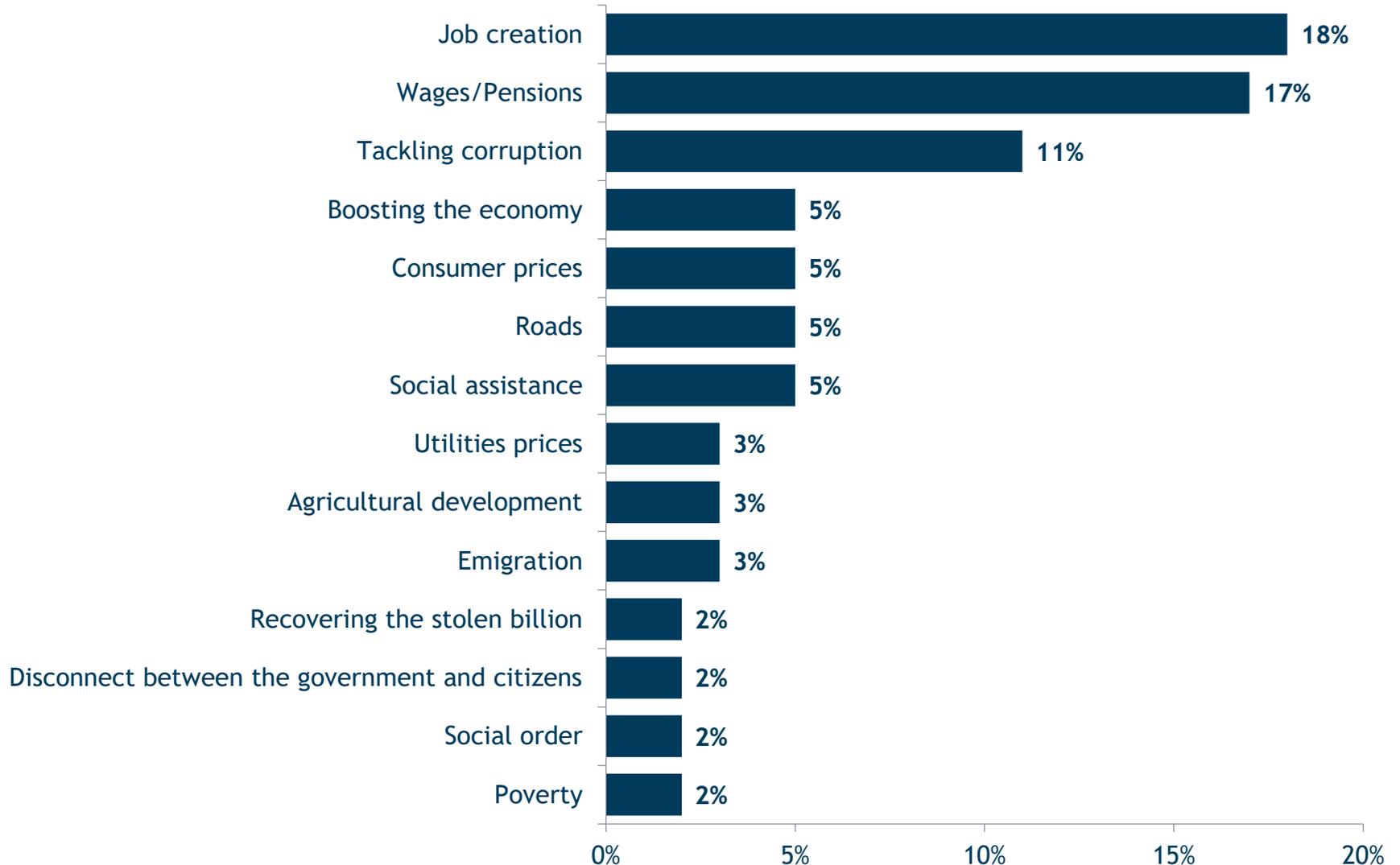
# Do you approve or disapprove of the Filip government?

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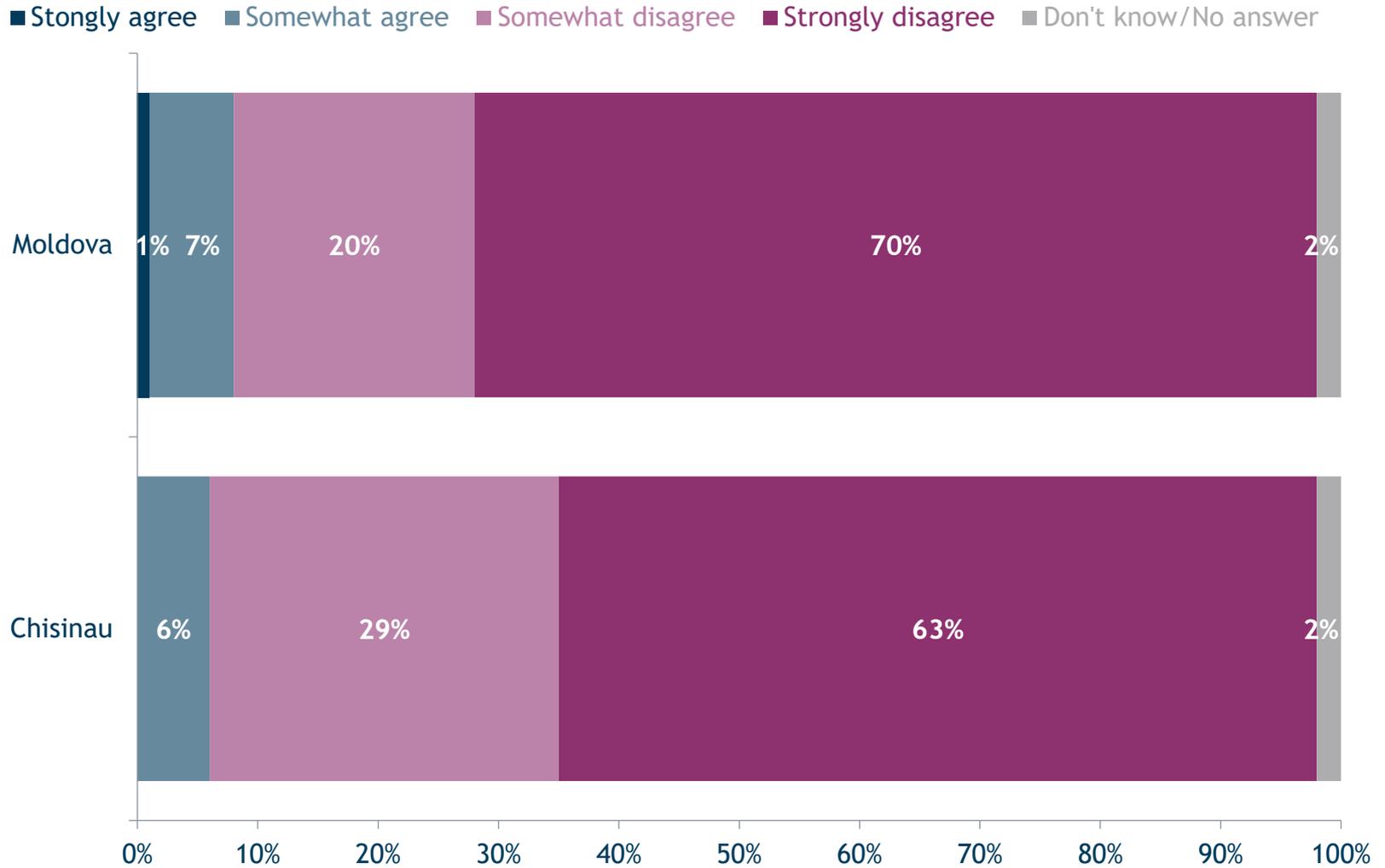


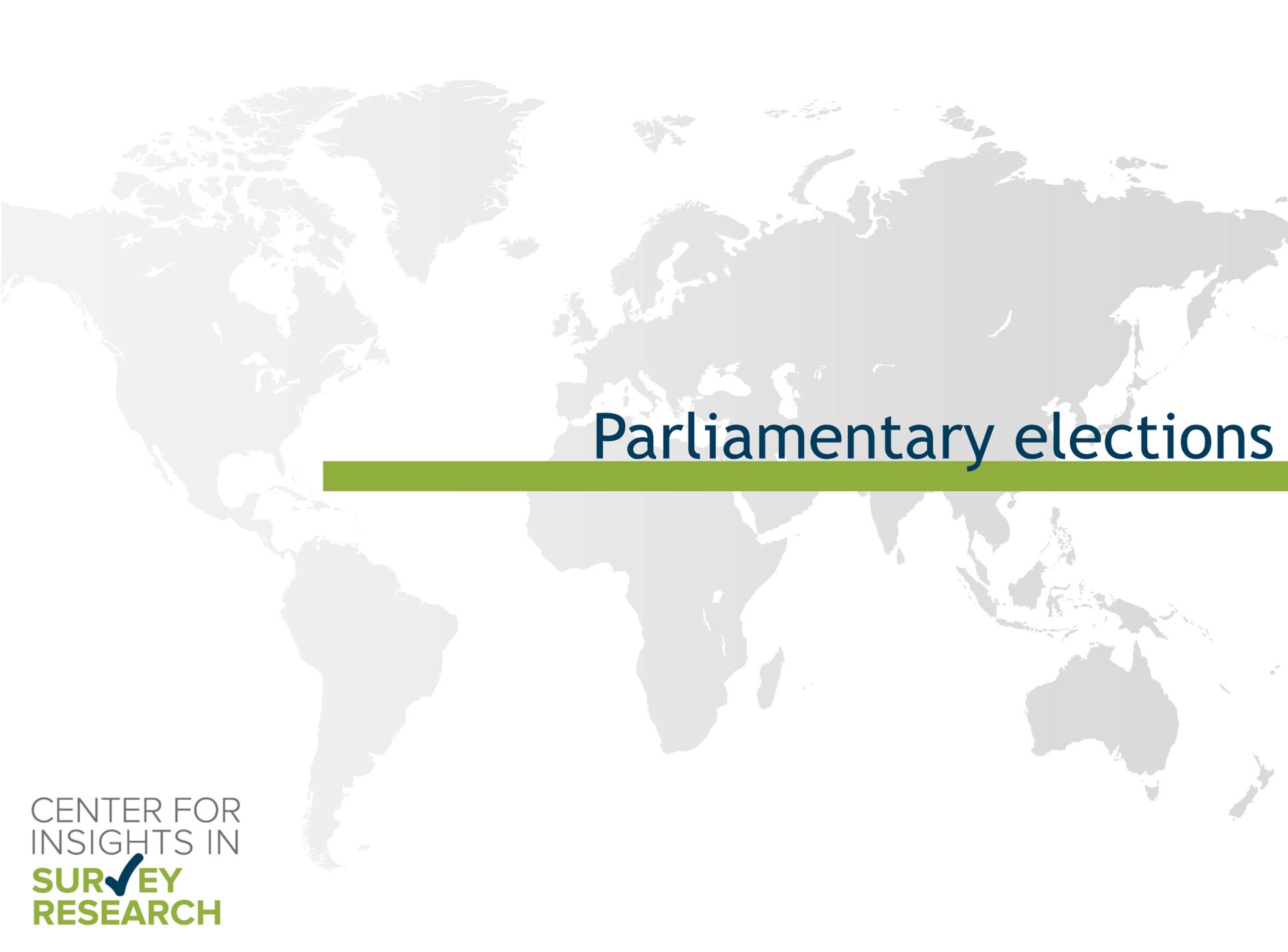
# What are the most important problems that the Filip government must solve?

(Three spontaneous answers)



# Do you think the Moldovan Parliament is responsive to the needs of citizens like you?

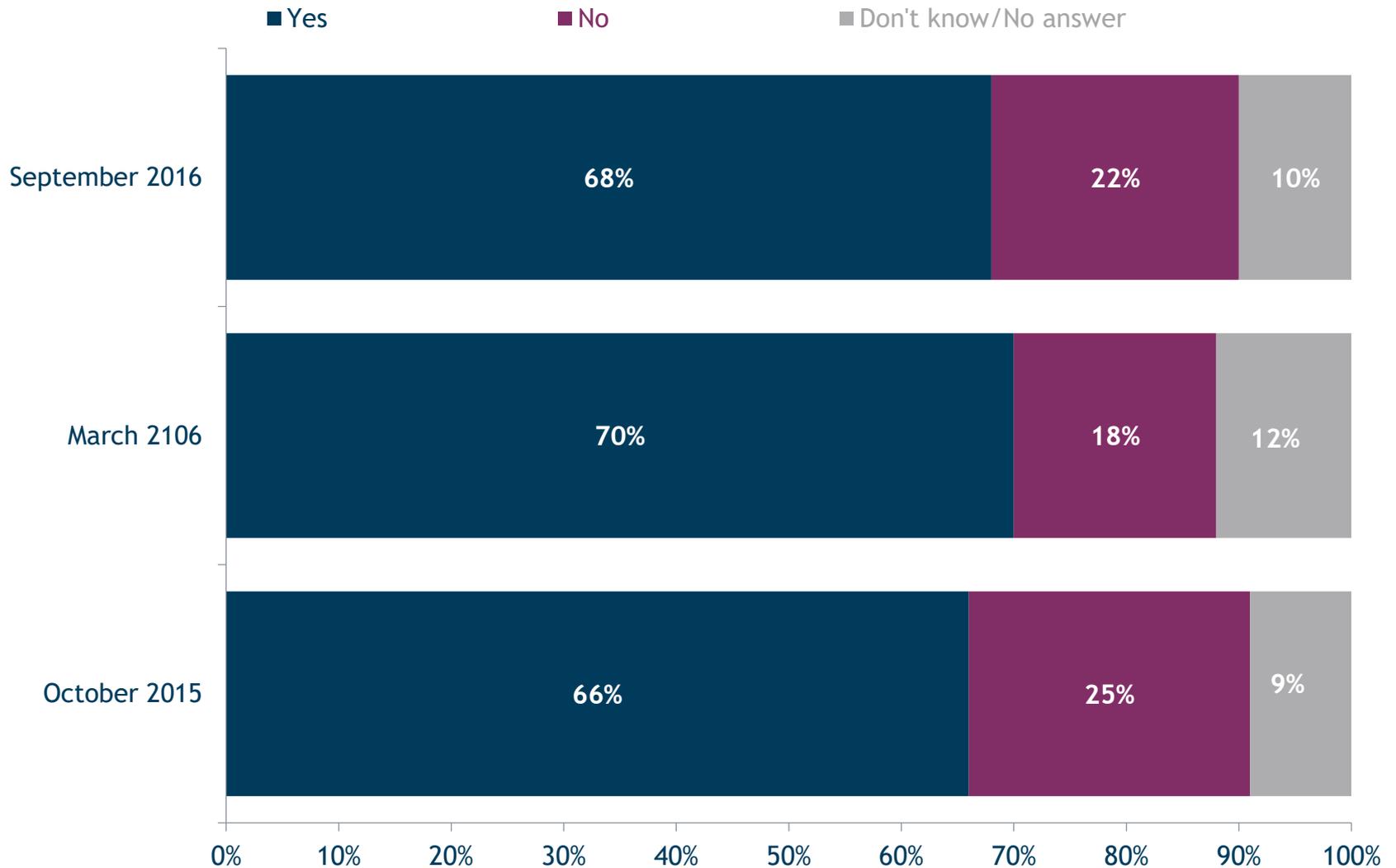




# Parliamentary elections

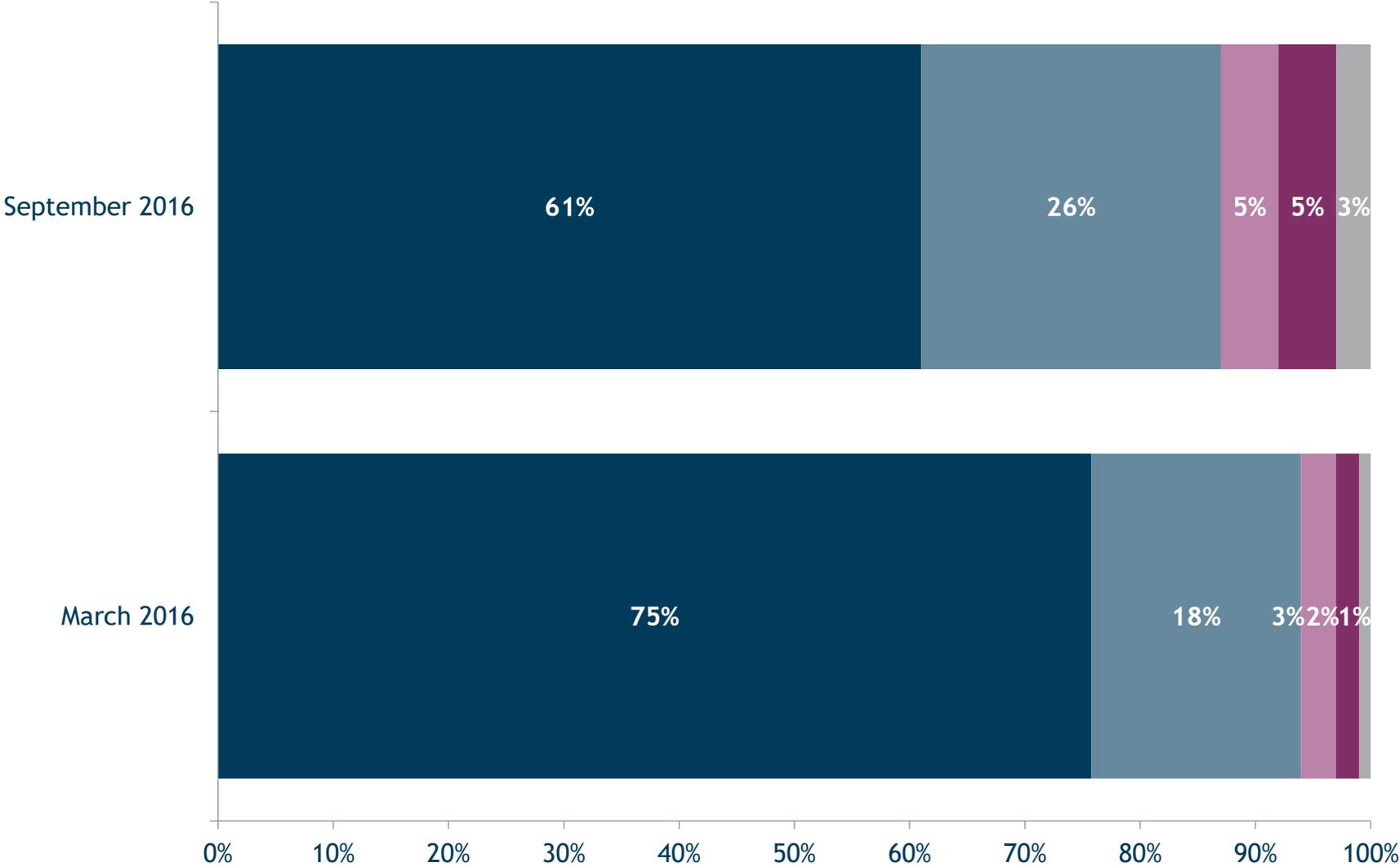
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# Do you support the idea of early parliamentary elections?



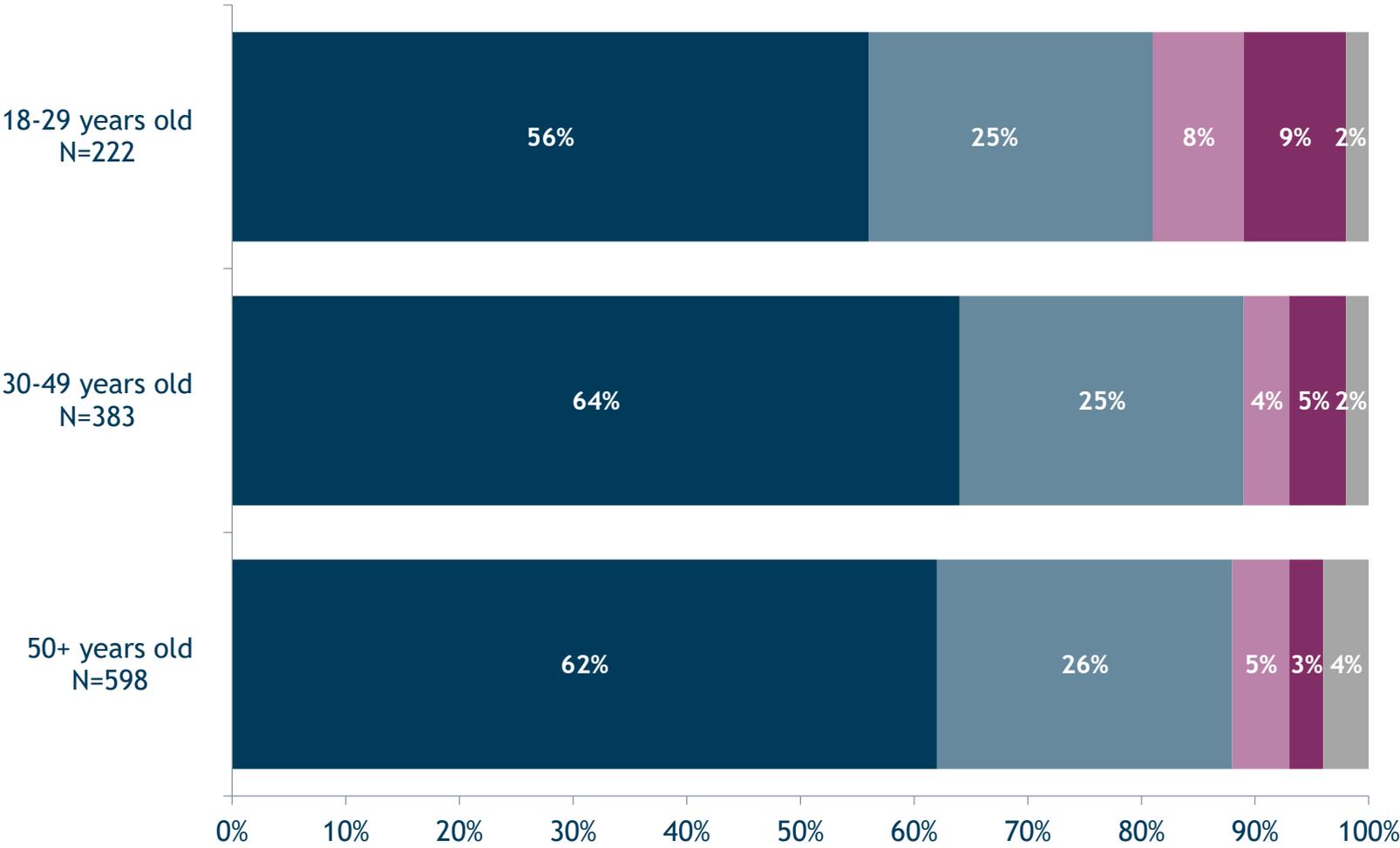
# How likely, if at all, are you to vote in the next parliamentary elections?

■ Very likely ■ Somewhat likely ■ Somewhat unlikely ■ Very unlikely ■ Don't know/No answer

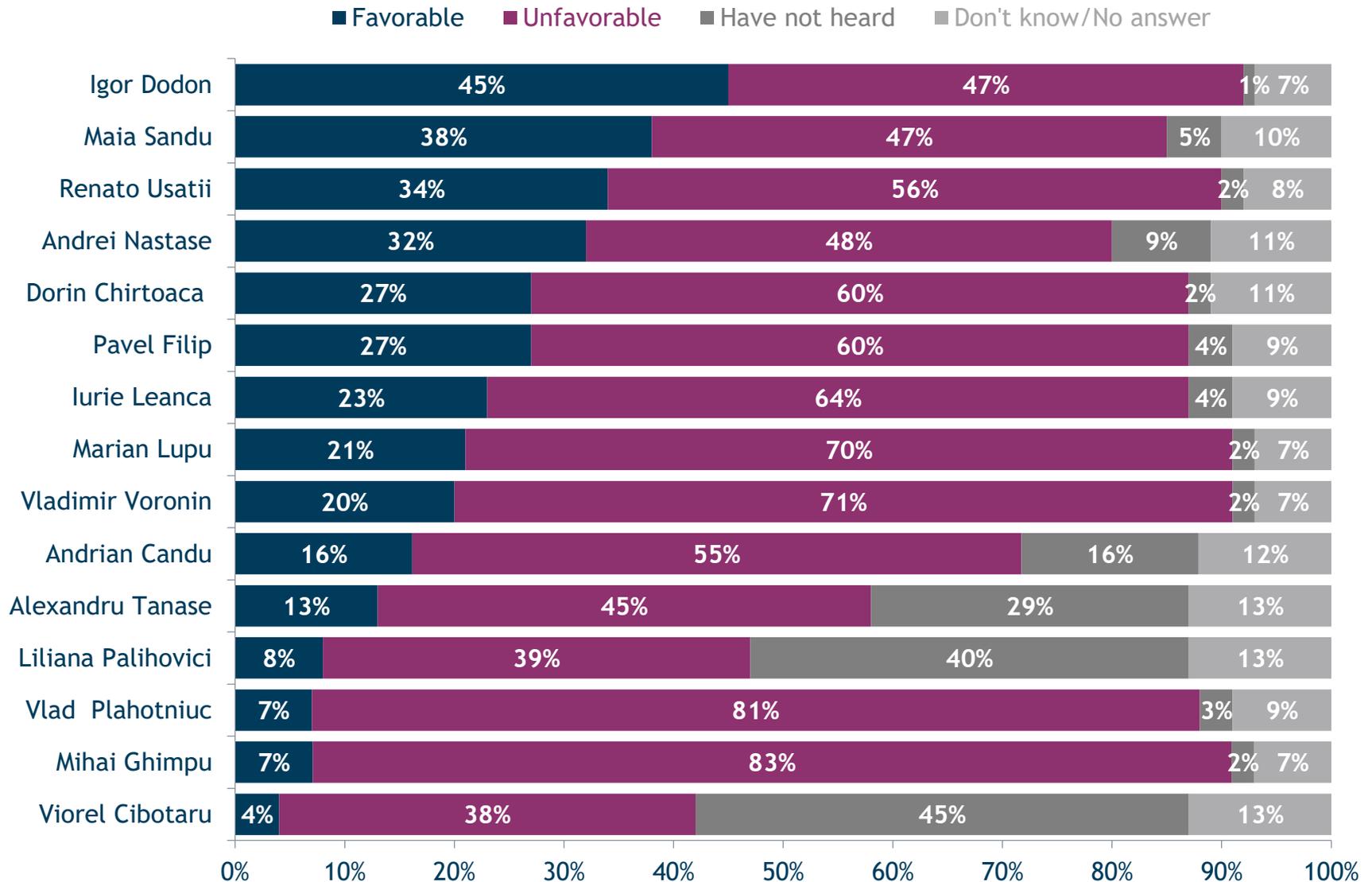


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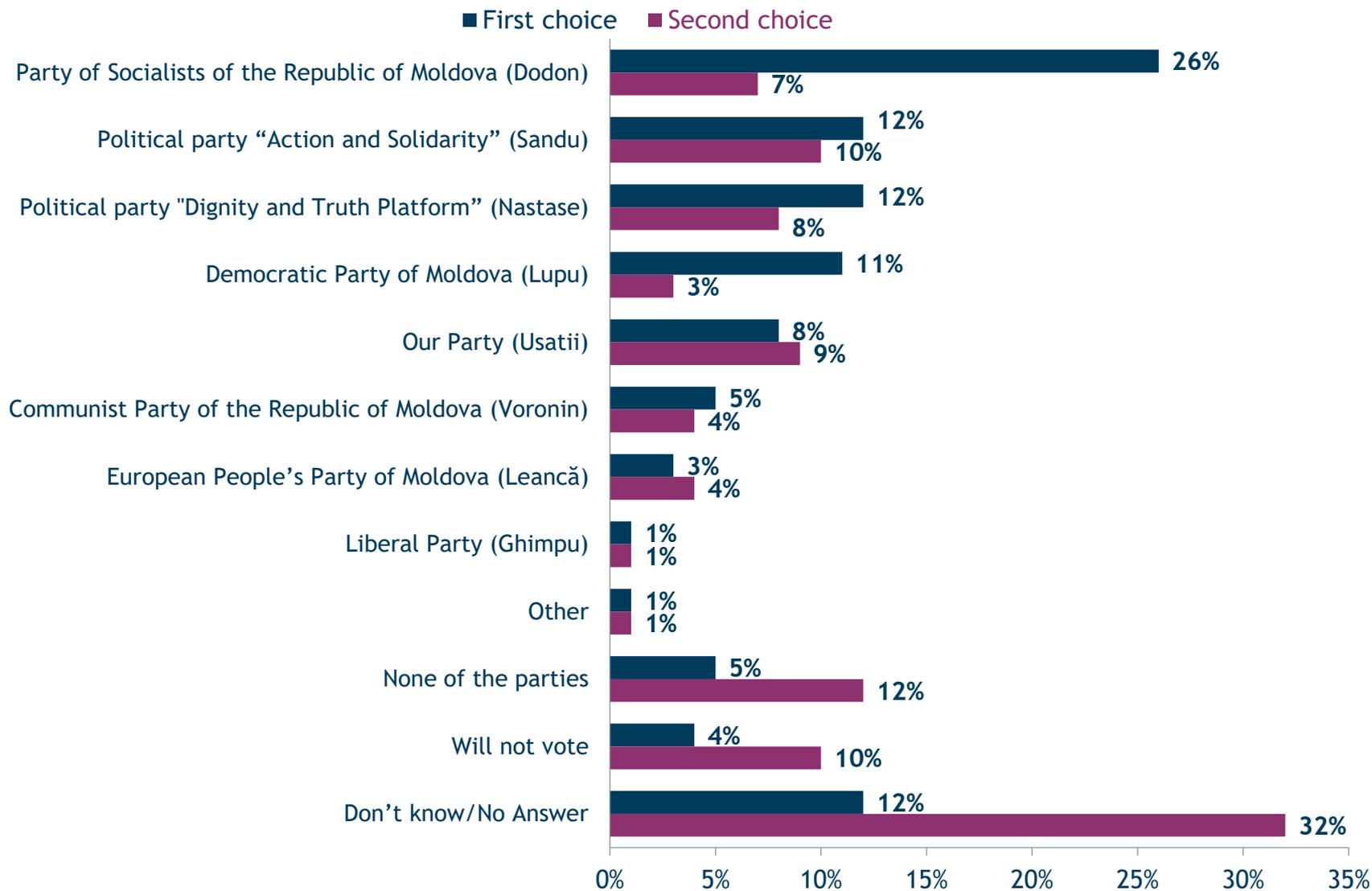
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# What is your opinion of the following Moldovan politicians or members of the Moldovan government?

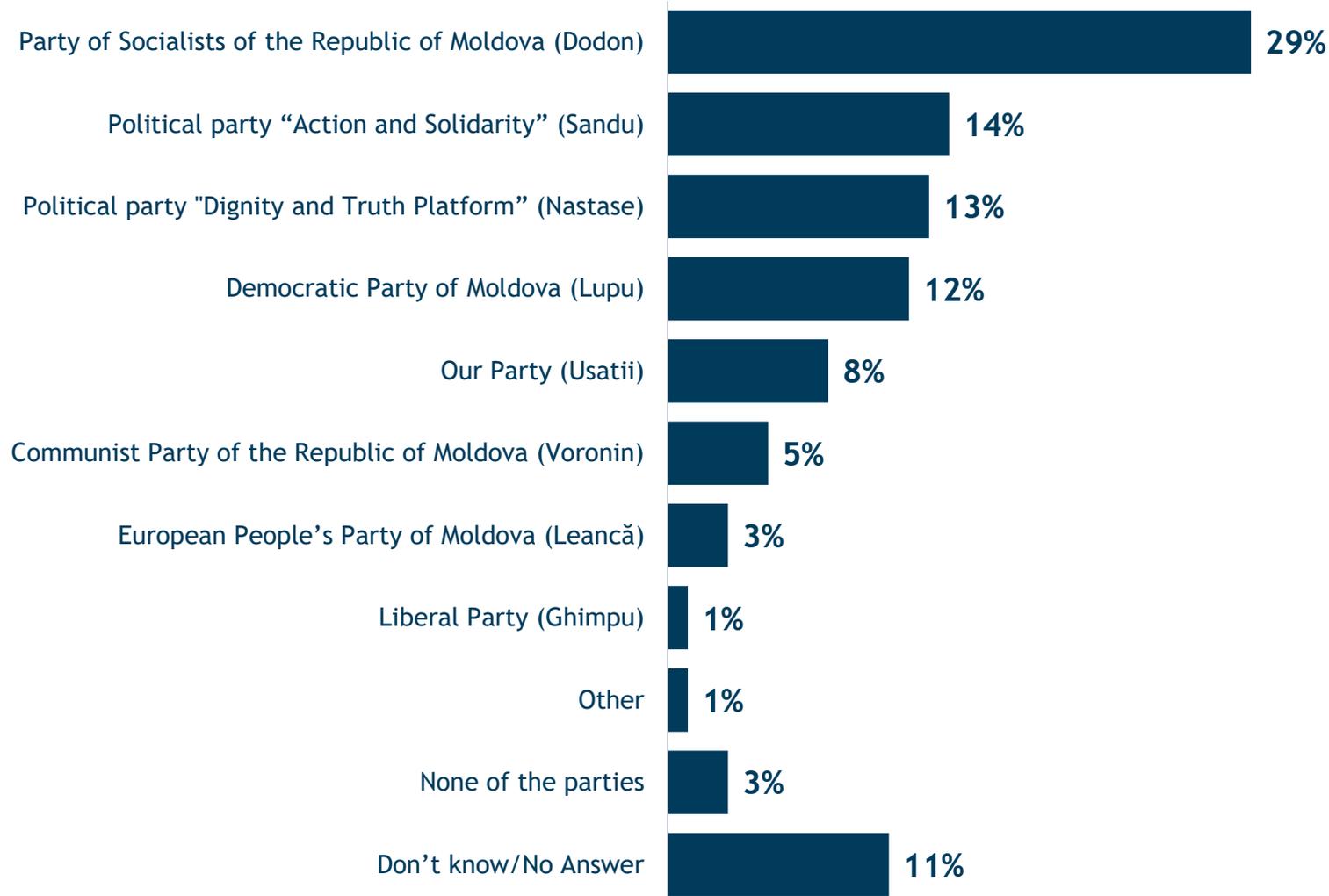


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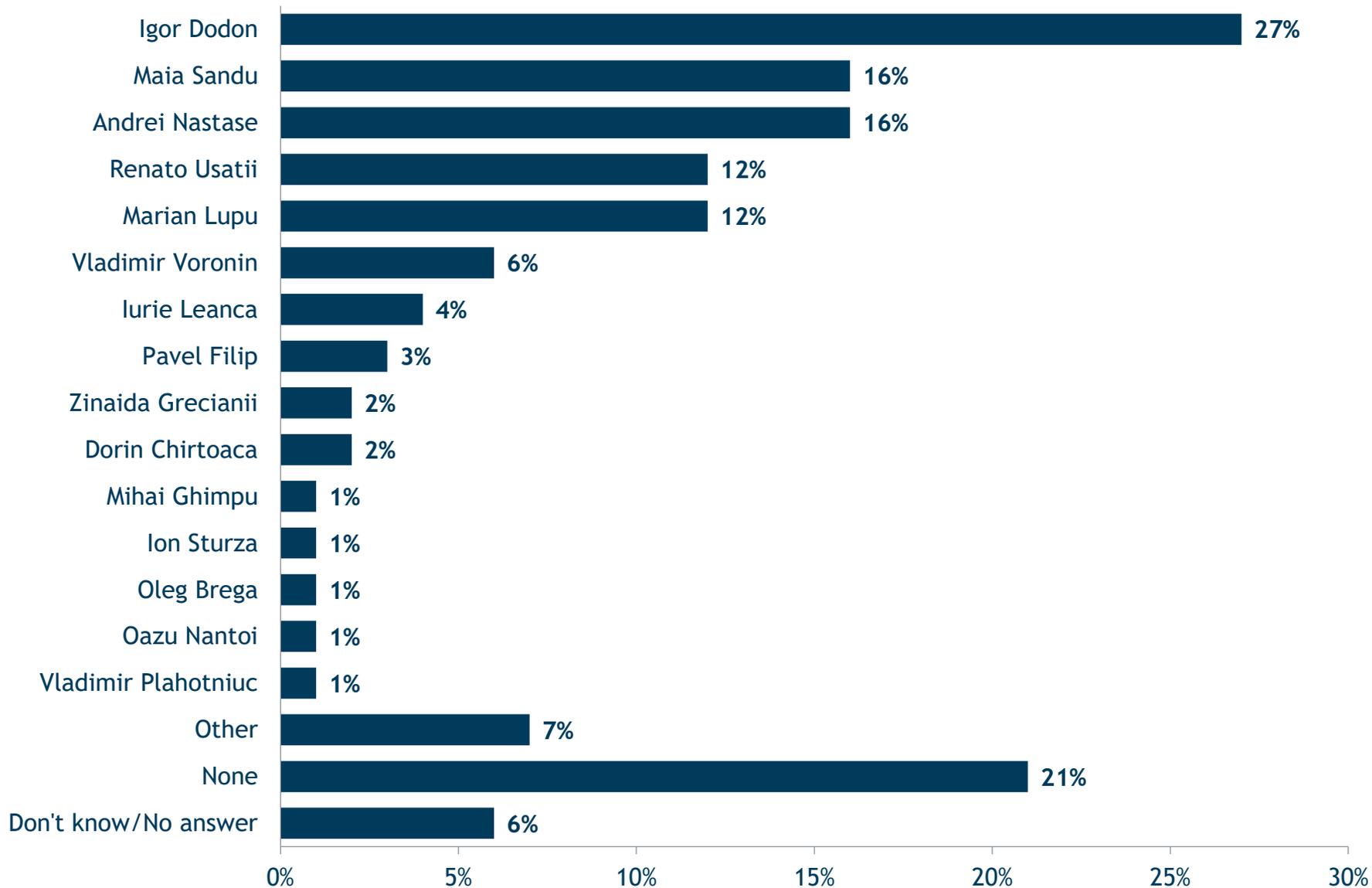


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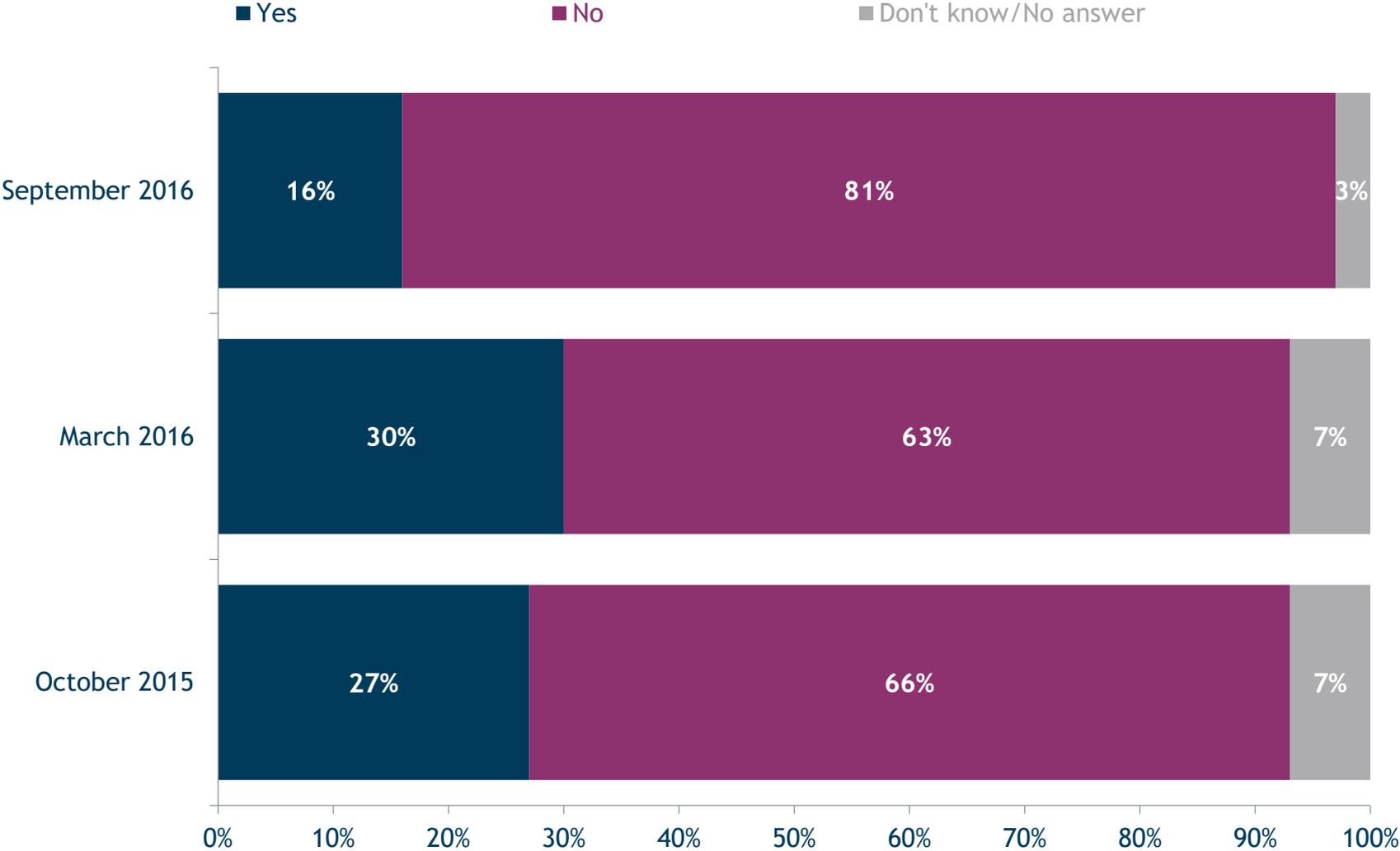
(Nationwide likely voters, N=1047)



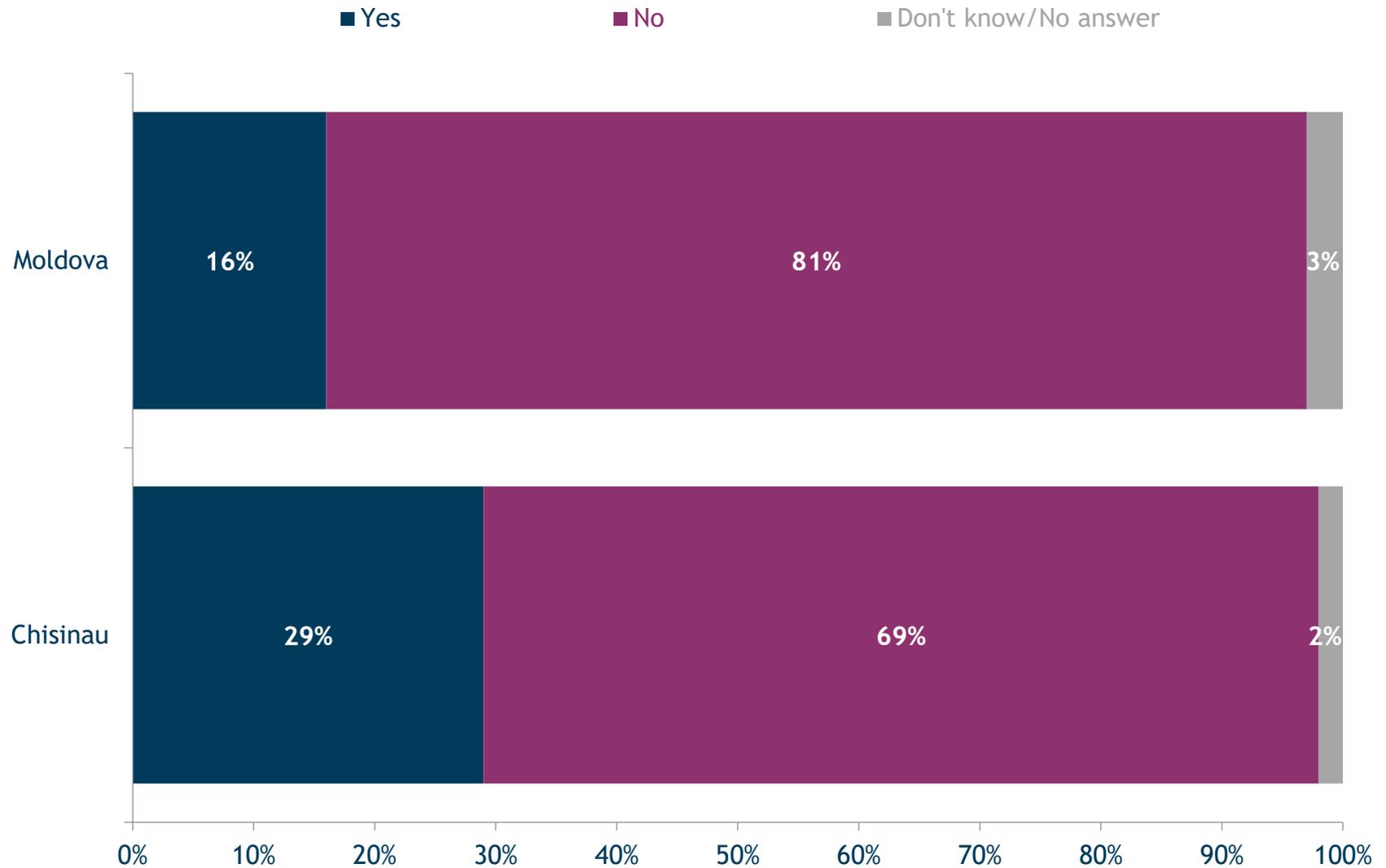
# Which politicians or public persons do you trust the most? (Spontaneous)



# In the last 12 months, have you ever seen any political activists working in your city/village?

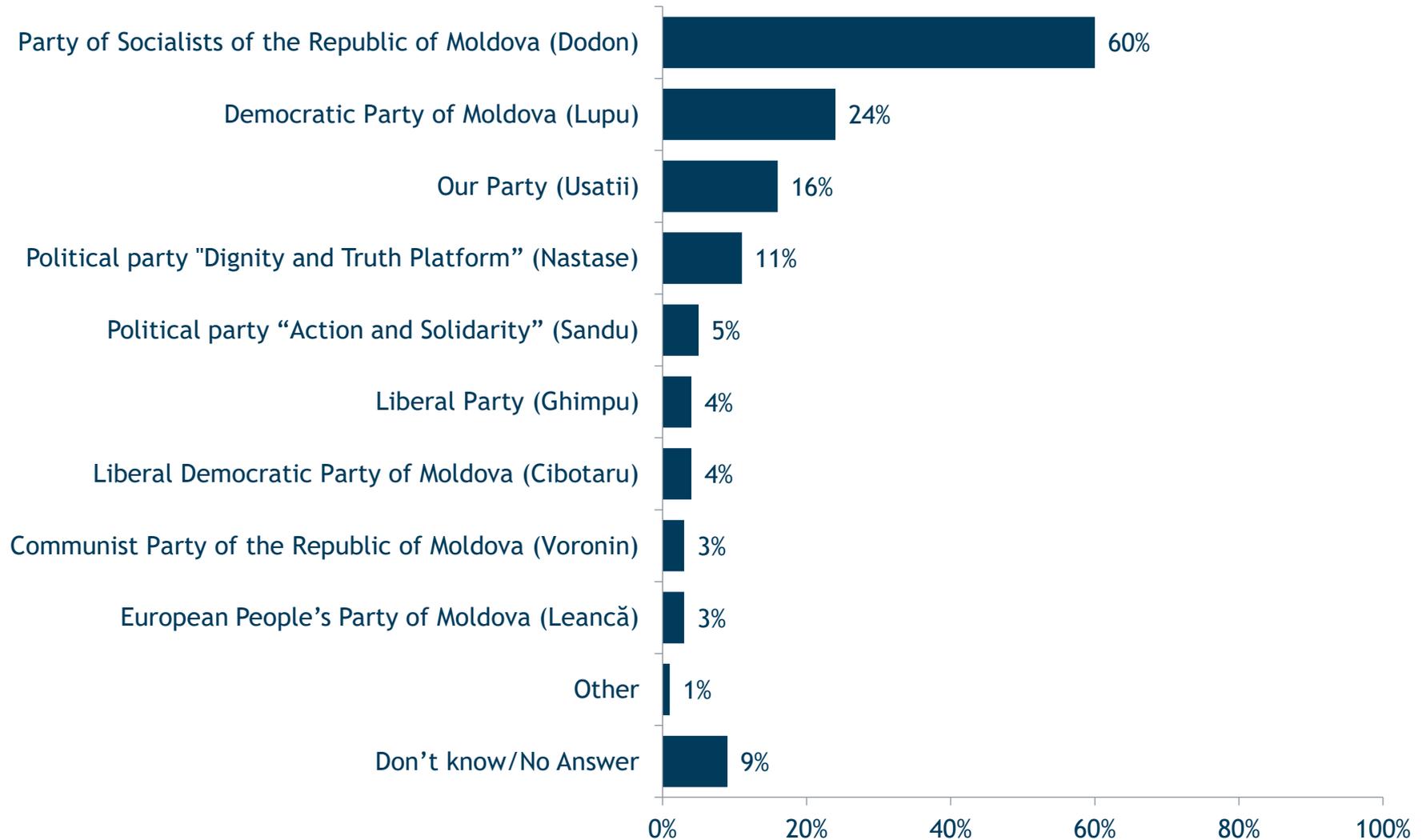


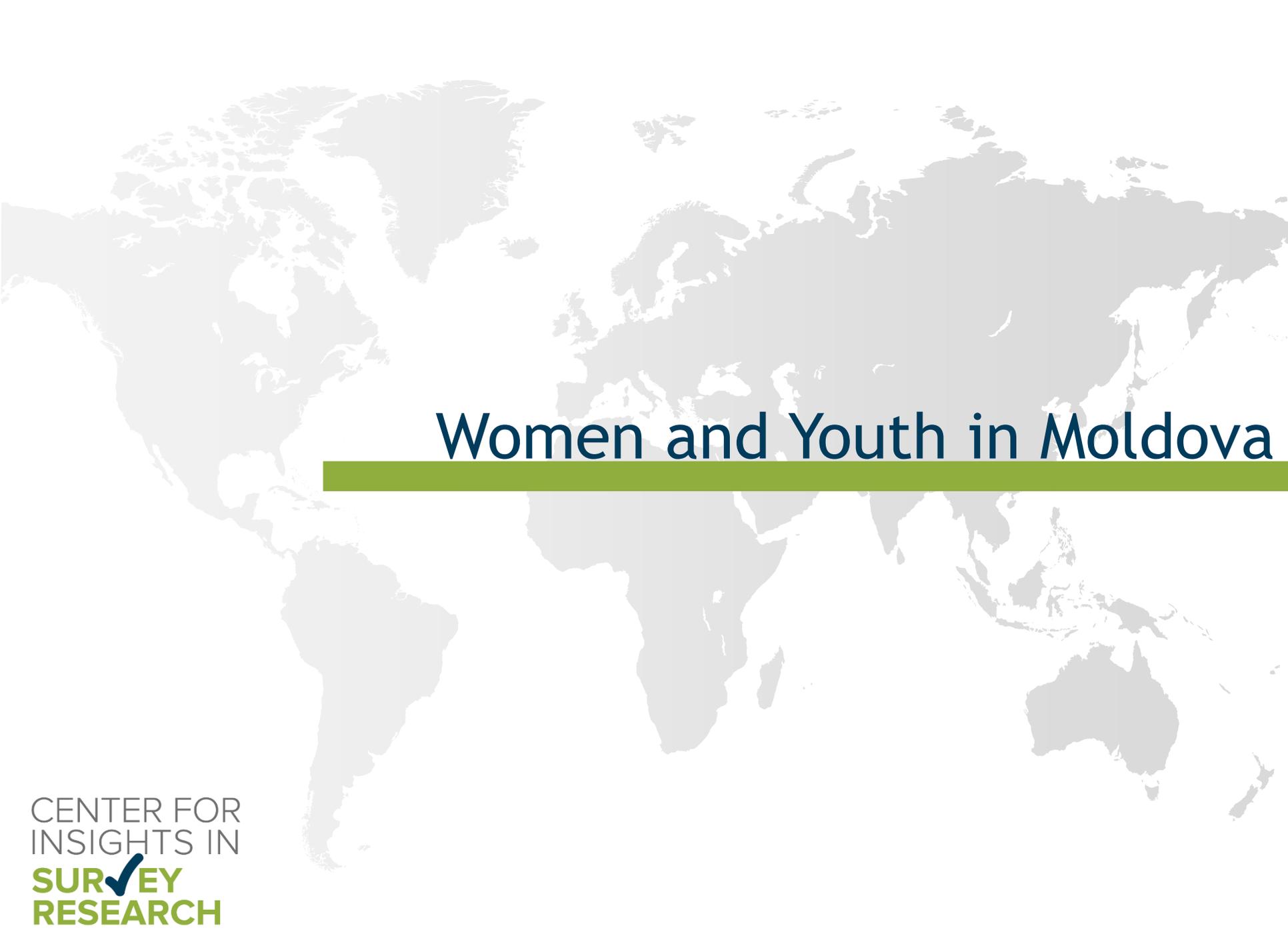
# Have you seen any political activists working in your area in the last 12 months?



# If yes, which political party did the political activists in your area represent?

(Nationwide, N=191)

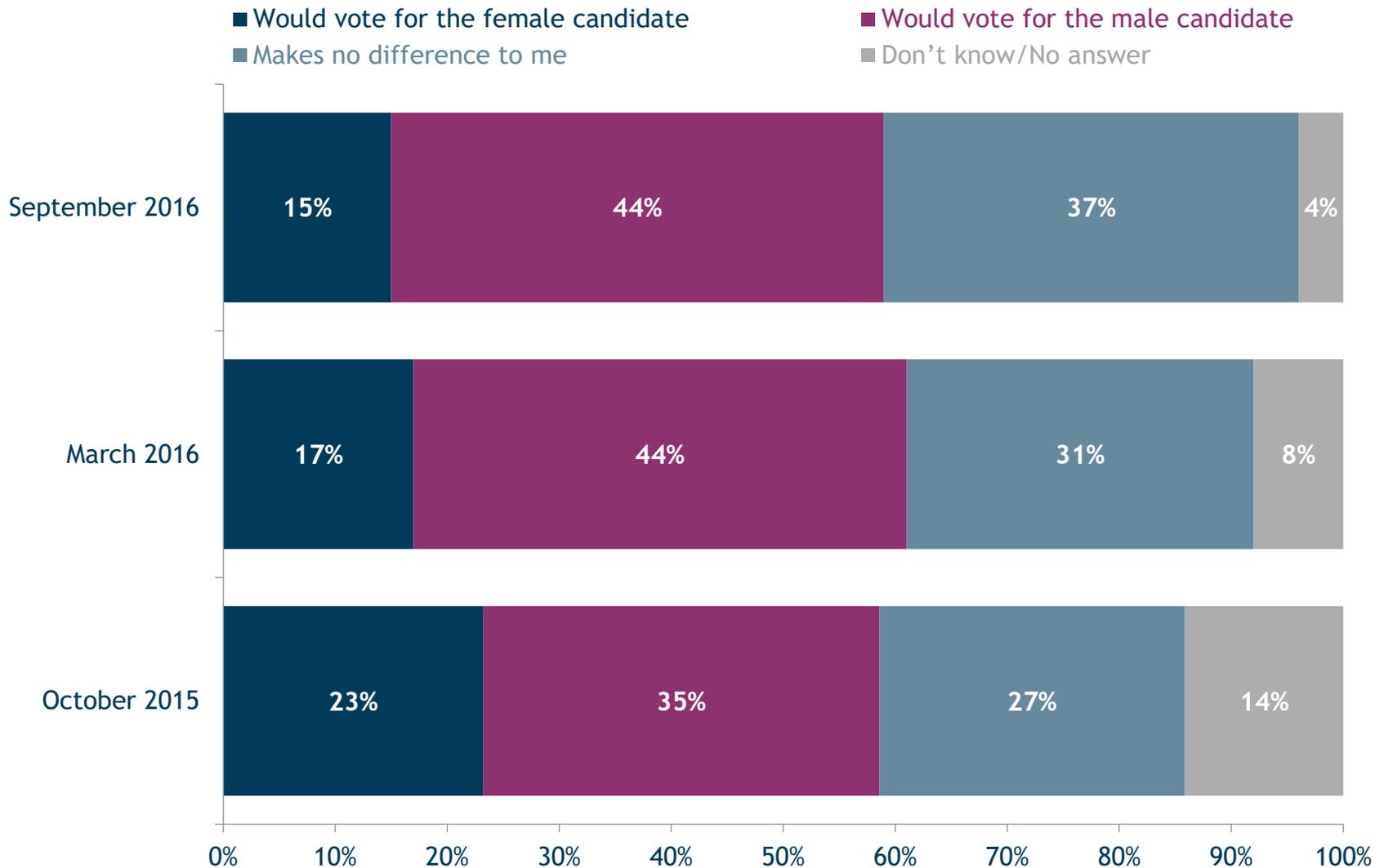




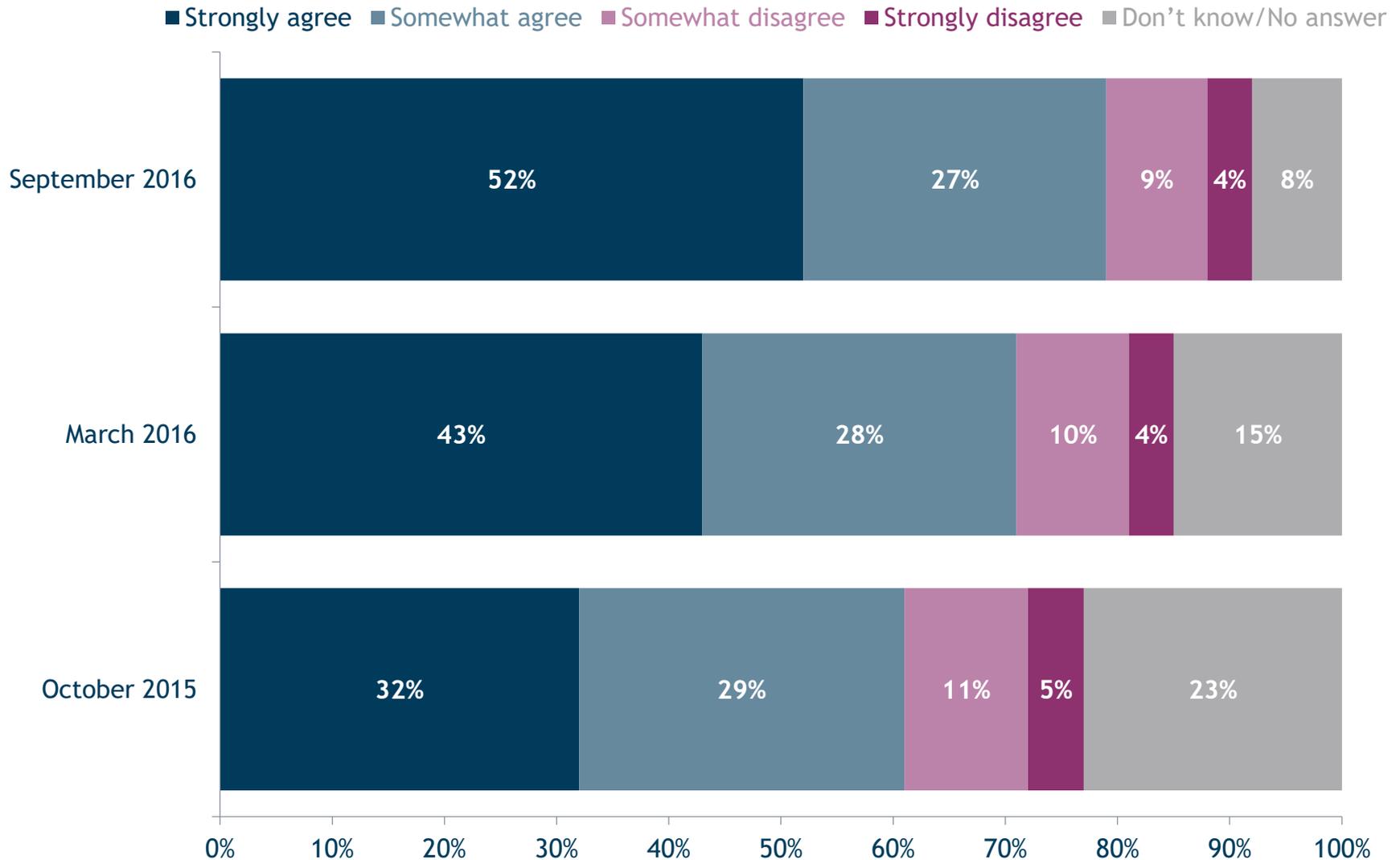
# Women and Youth in Moldova

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# 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?

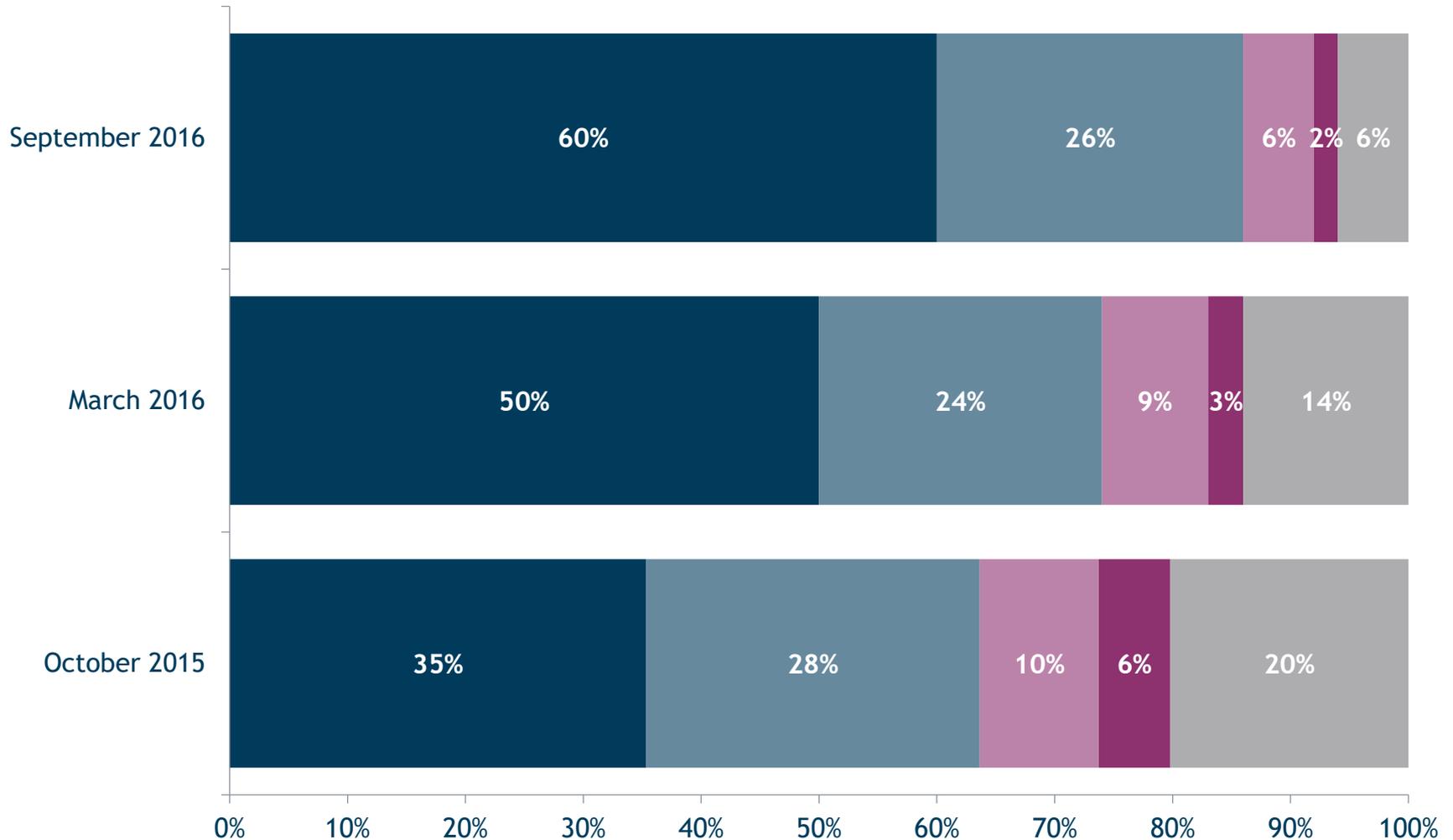


# Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? “Politicians do not listen to the needs and ideas of women.”



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

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

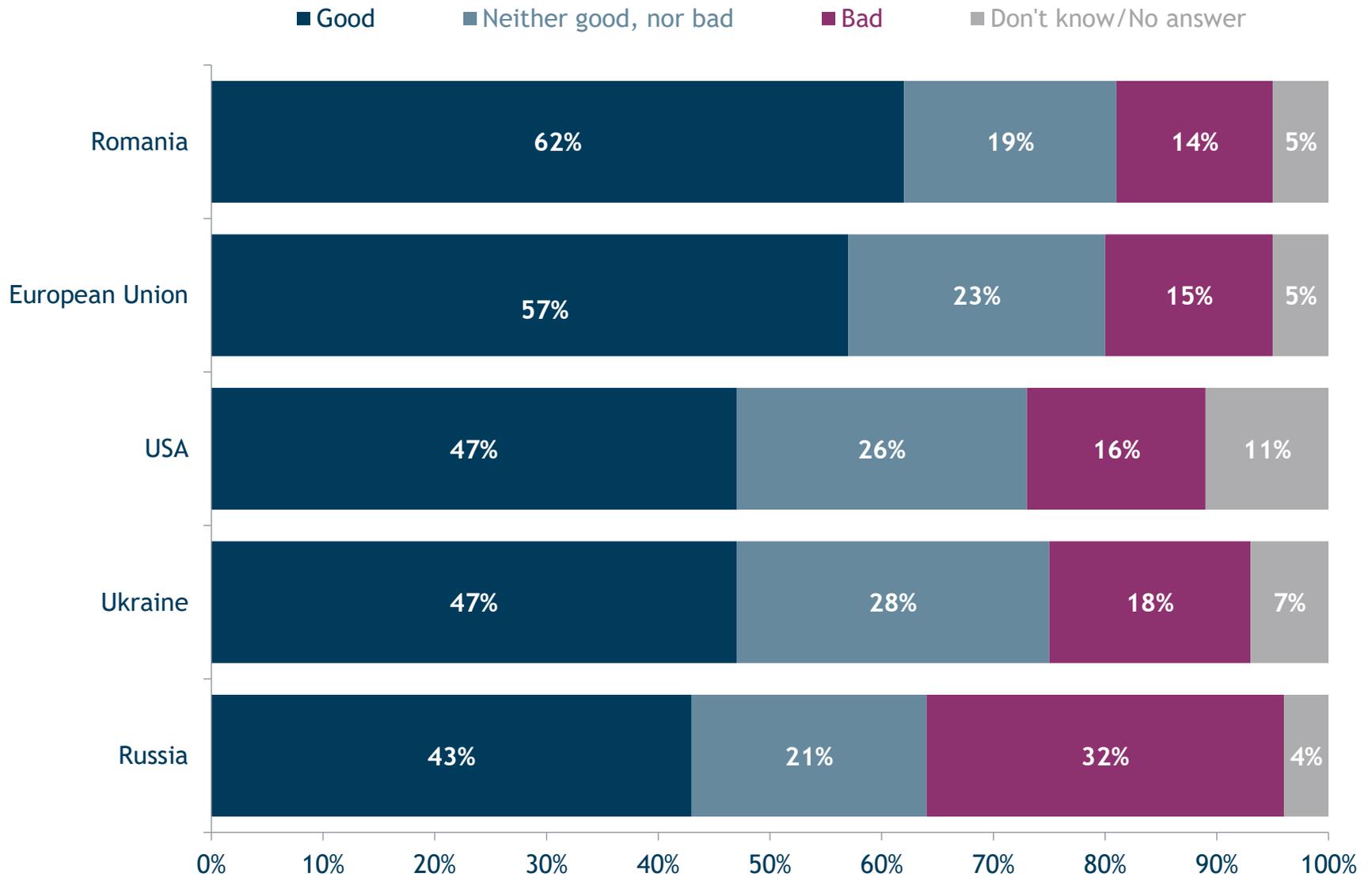




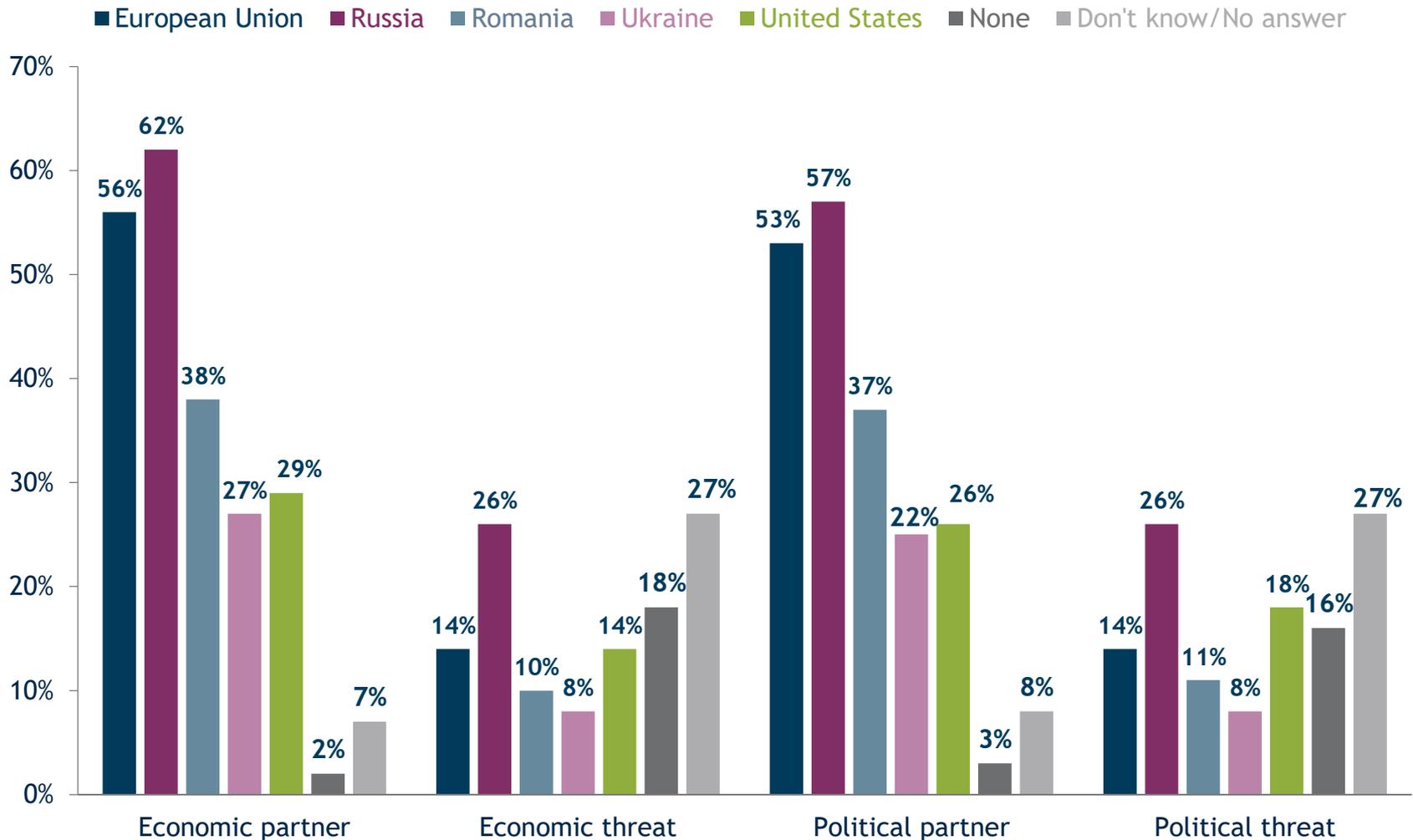
# International Relations

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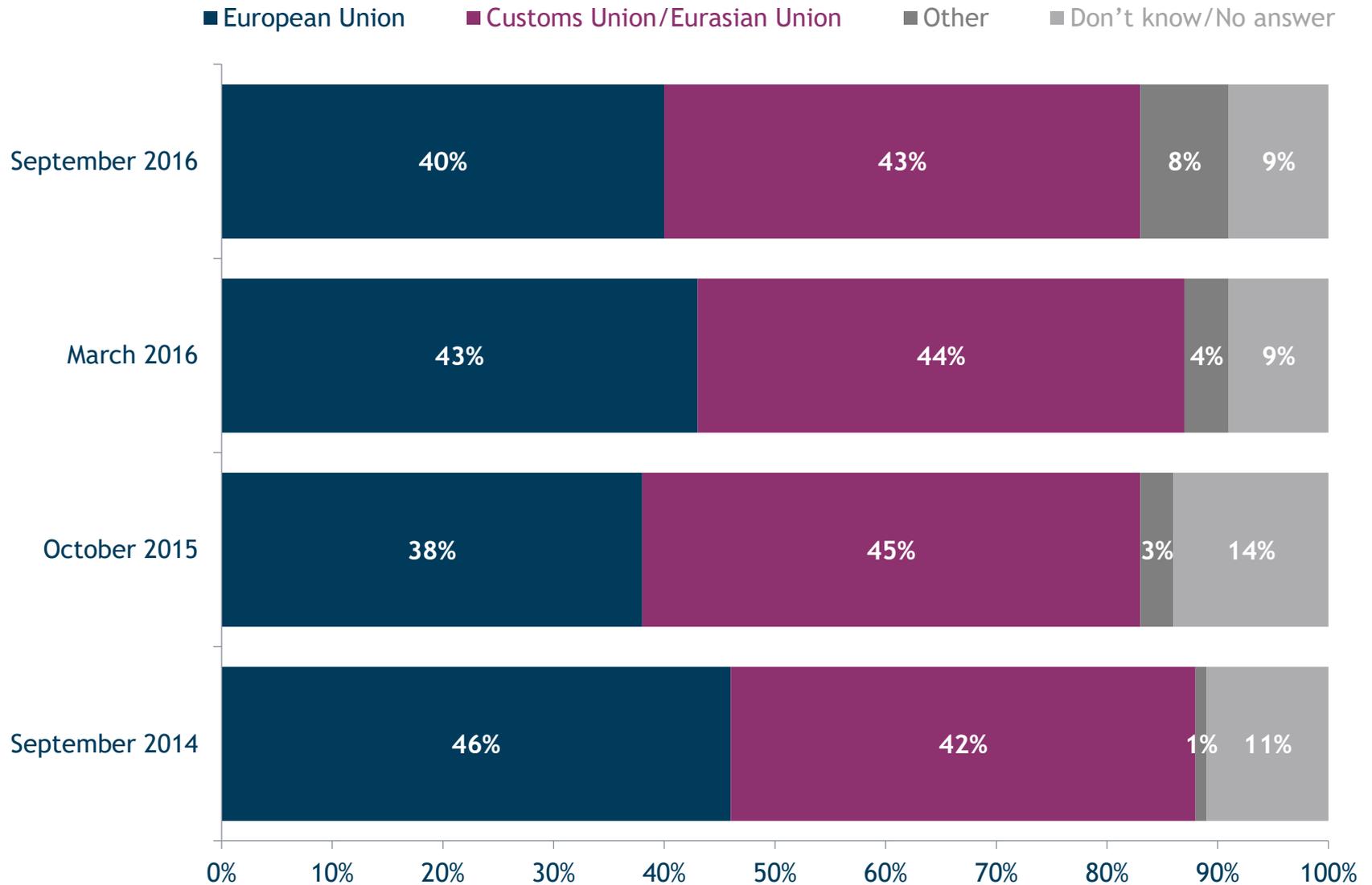
# How would you assess the current relations between Moldova and...



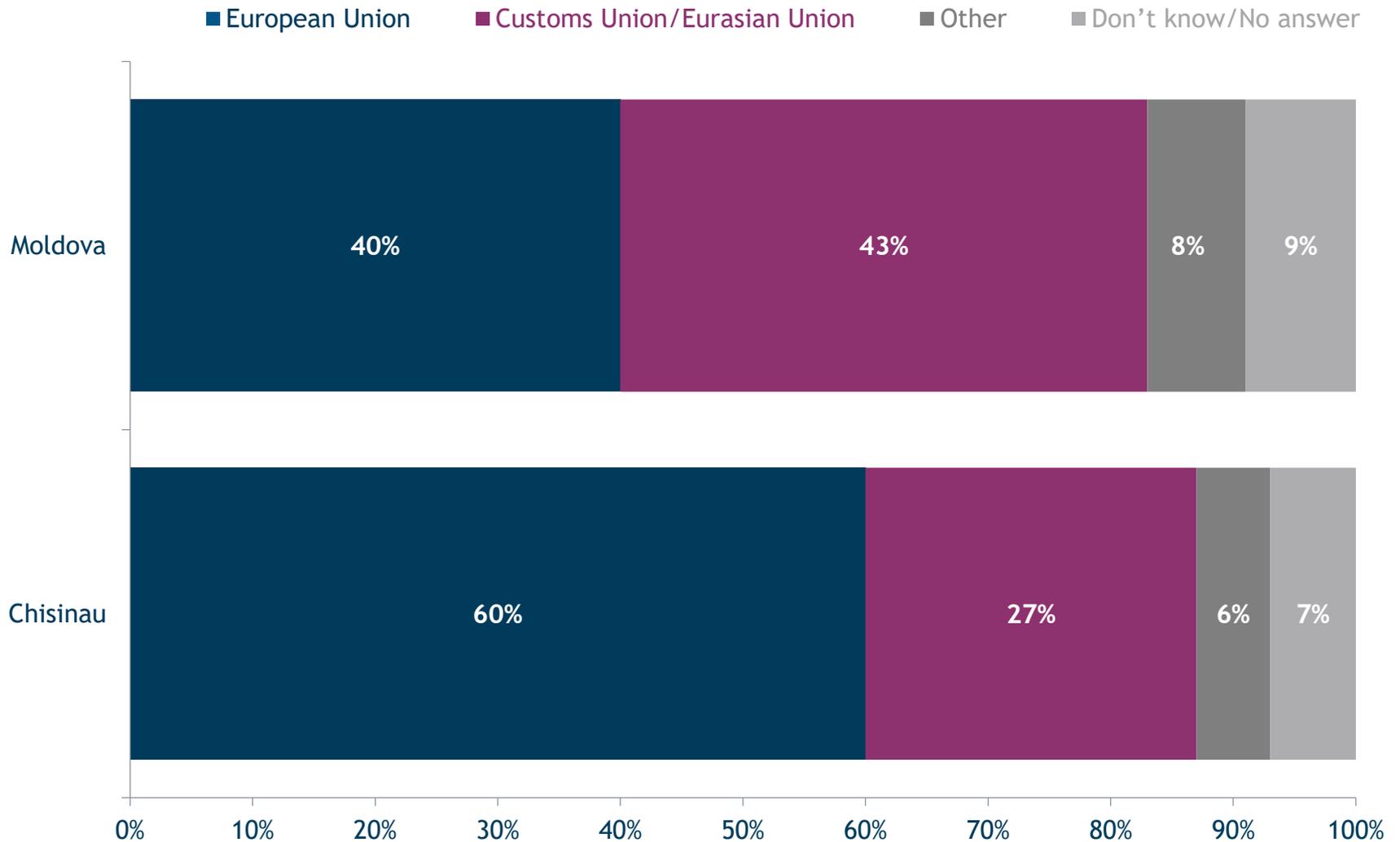
# Which of these countries do you consider to be the greatest economic partner, economic threat, political partner and political threat for Moldova? (Nationwide)



# If Moldova could only join one international economic union, which one should it be?

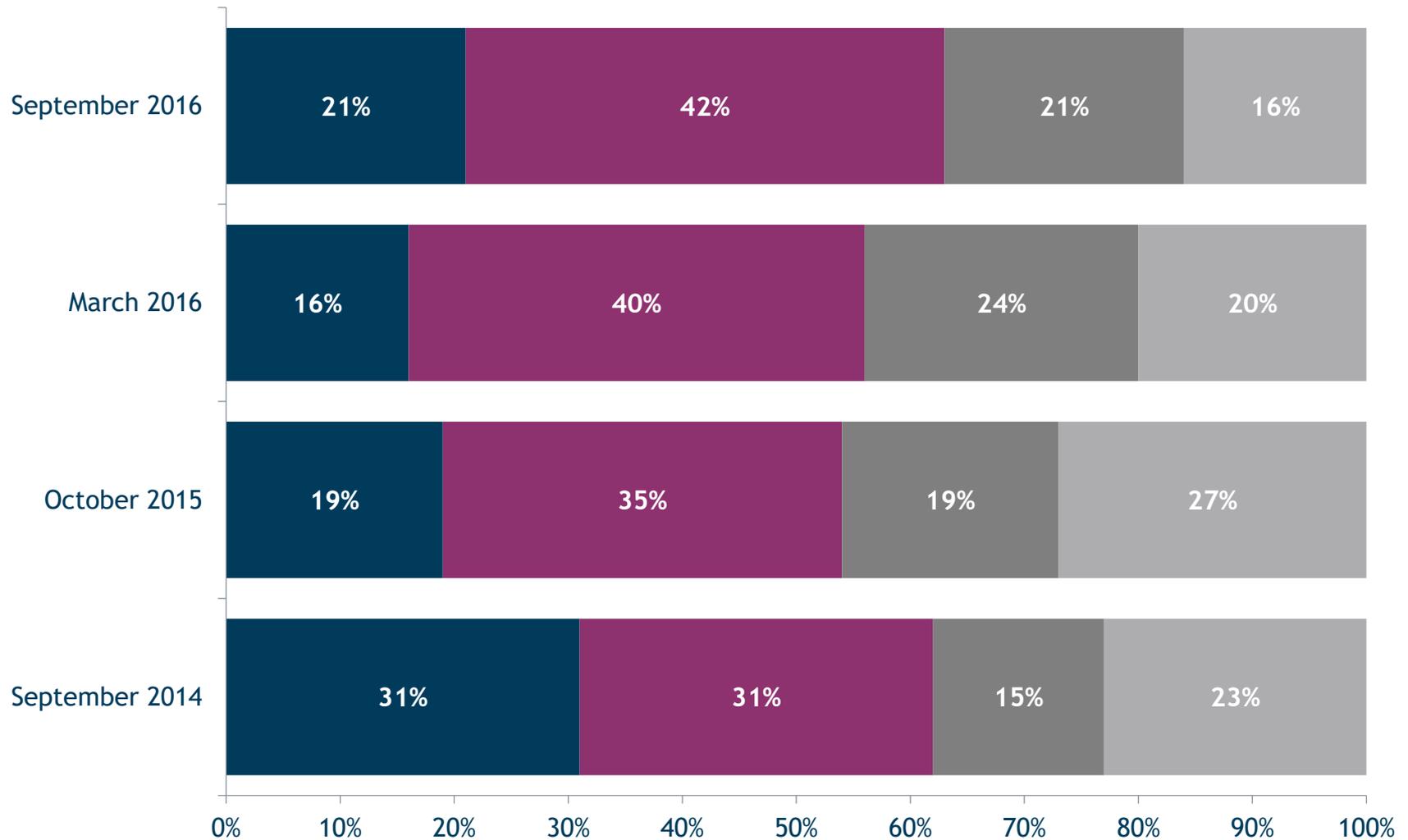


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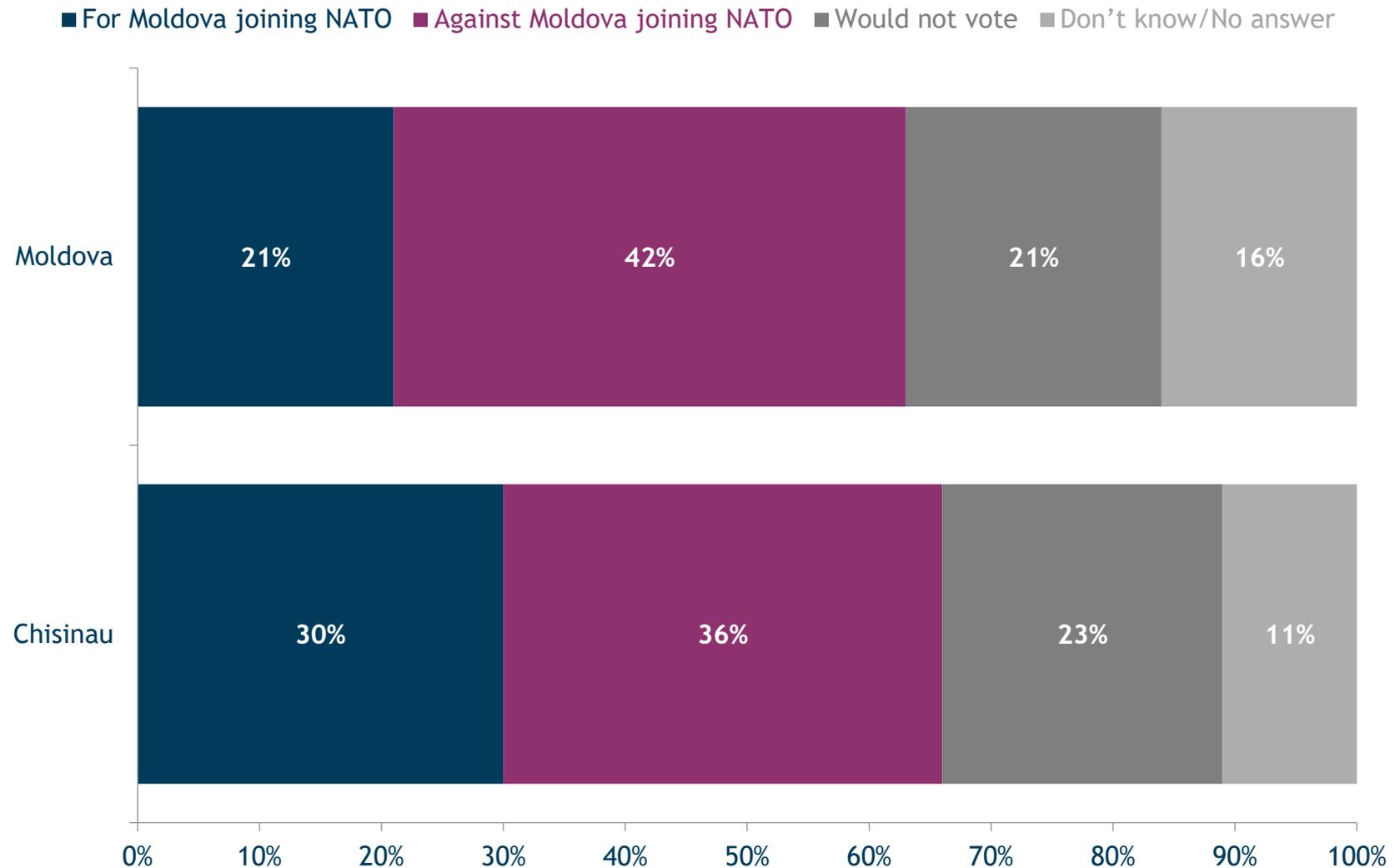


# If a referendum were held today on Moldova joining NATO, how would you vote?

■ For Moldova joining NATO ■ Against Moldova joining NATO ■ Would not vote ■ Don't know/No answer

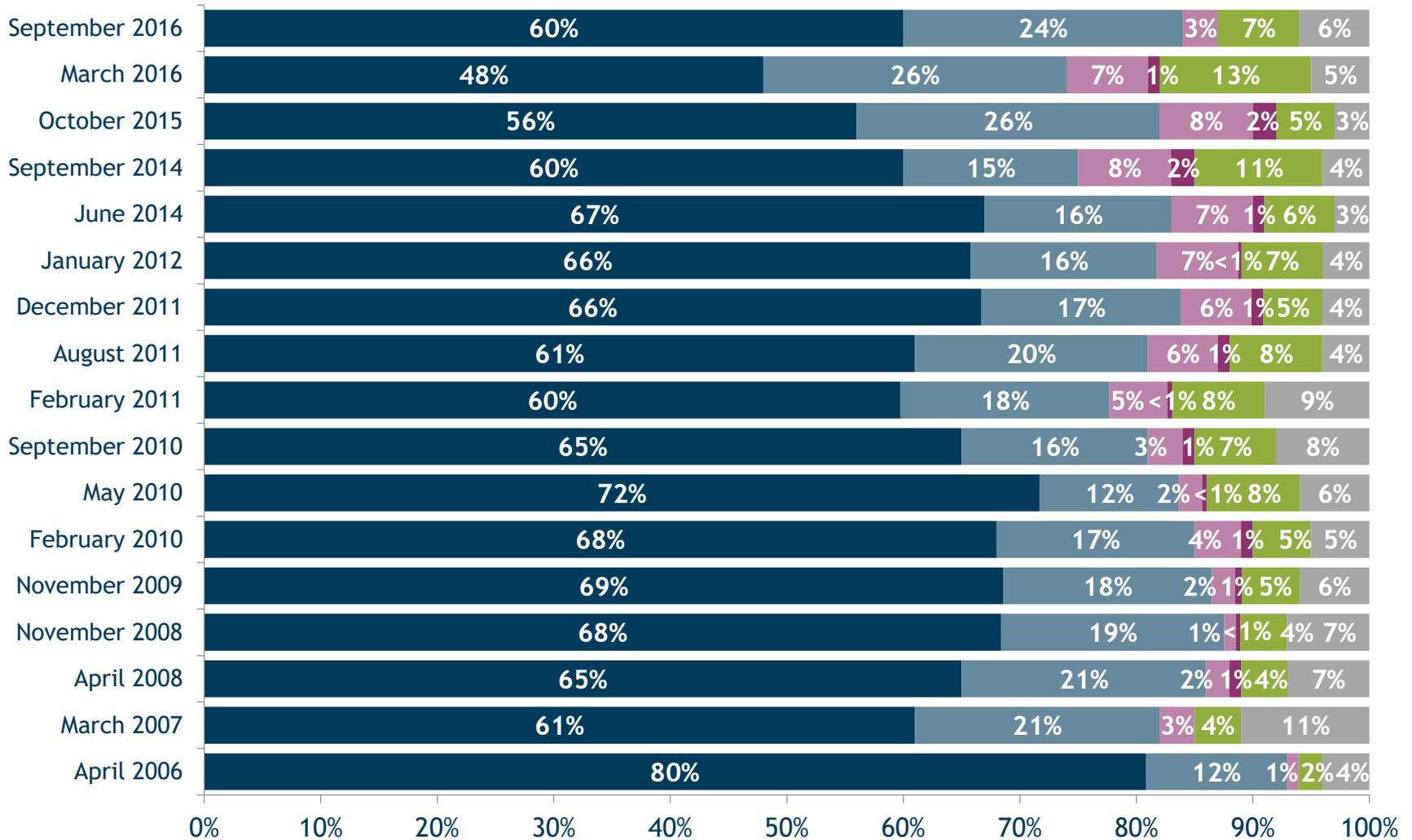


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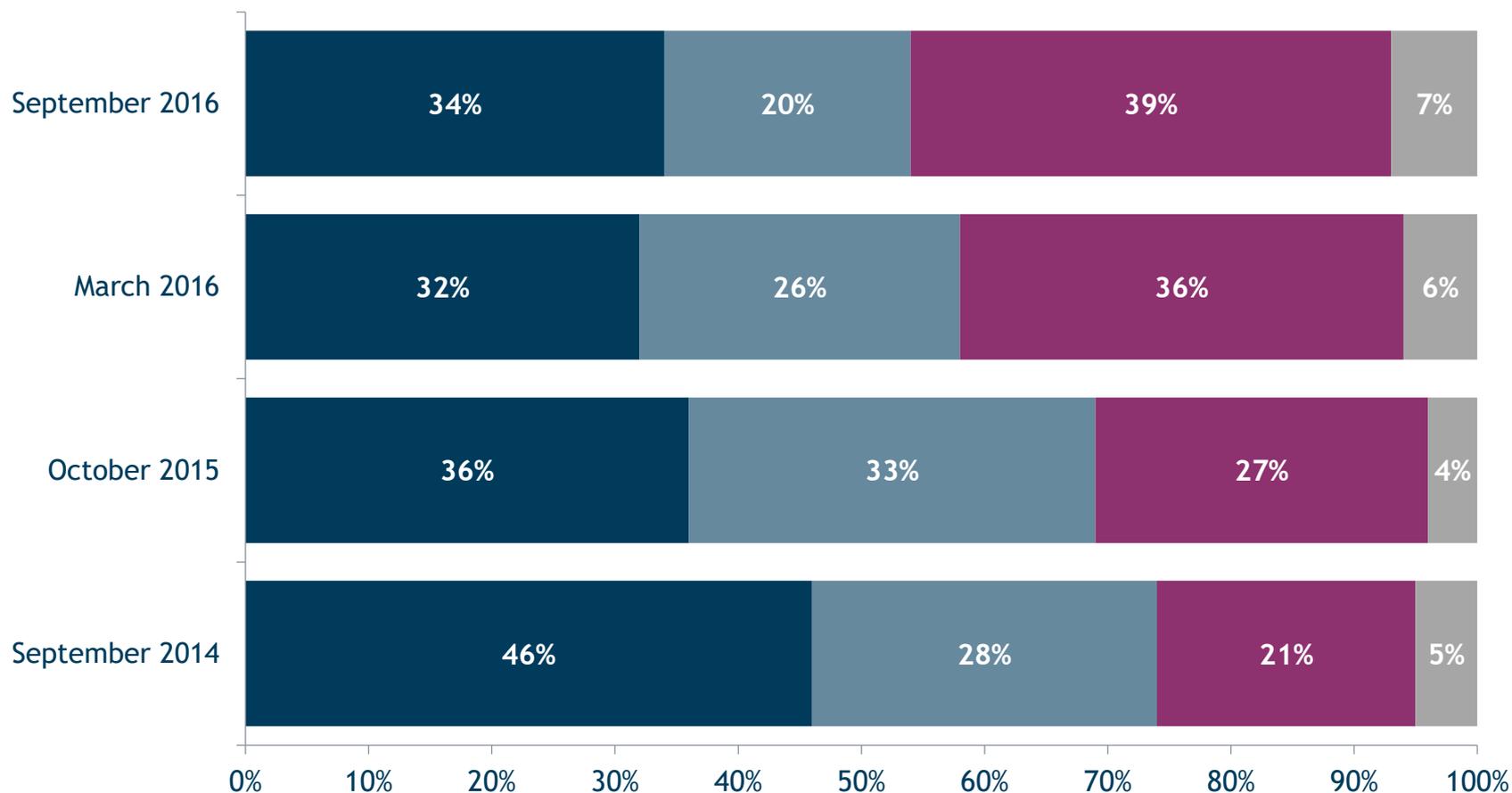
# What do you think the future of Transnistria should be?

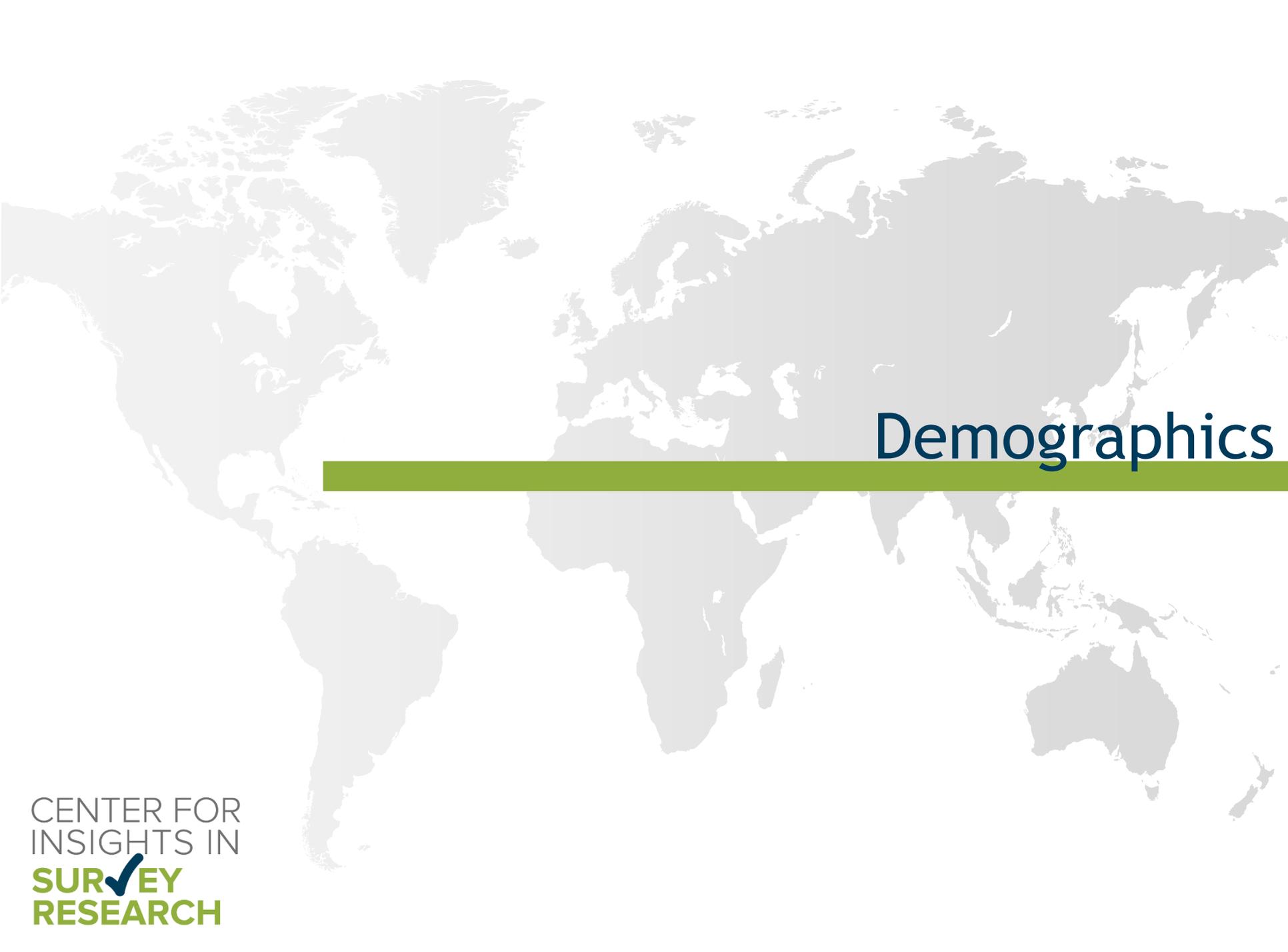
- Ordinary region of Moldova, without any autonomy
- Autonomy within the Republic of Moldova
- A part of the Russian Federation
- A part of Ukraine
- Independent
- Don't know/No answer



# Given the current Russian activities in Ukraine, do you consider Russian troops in Transnistria to be a threat to Moldova?

- They are a real threat to Moldova
- They are maybe a threat to Moldova, depending on events in Ukraine
- They are not a real threat to Moldova
- Don't know/No answer

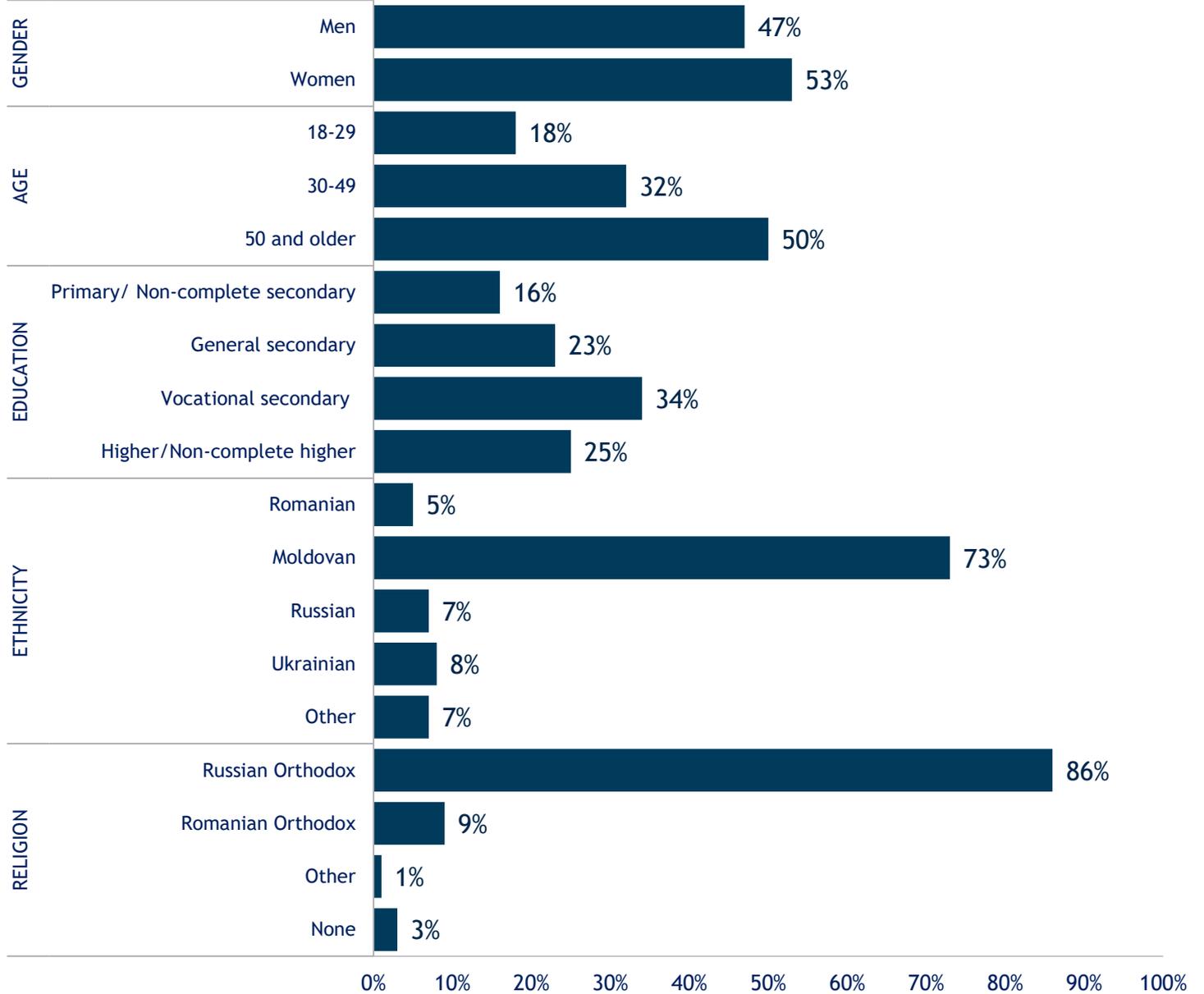




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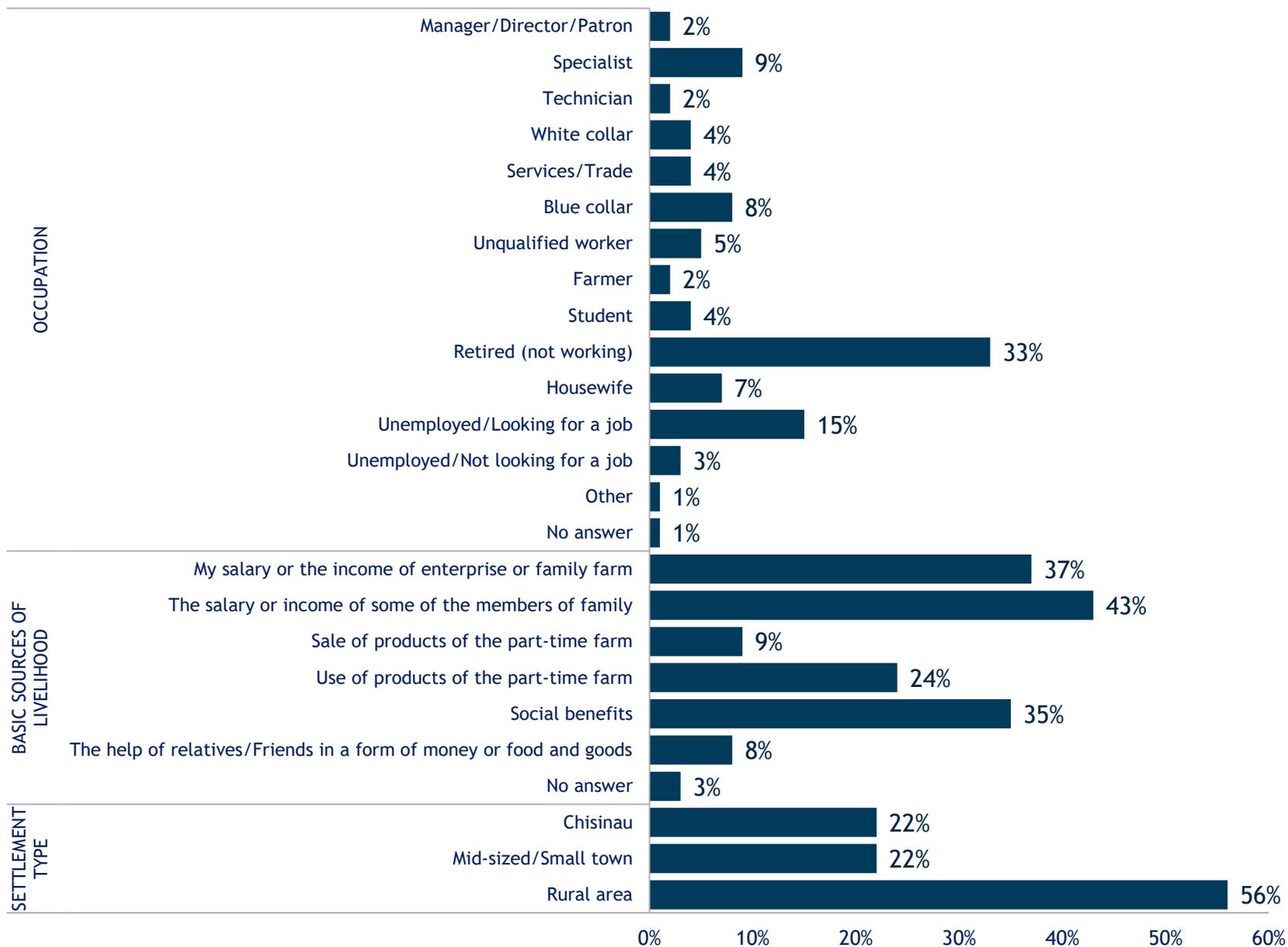
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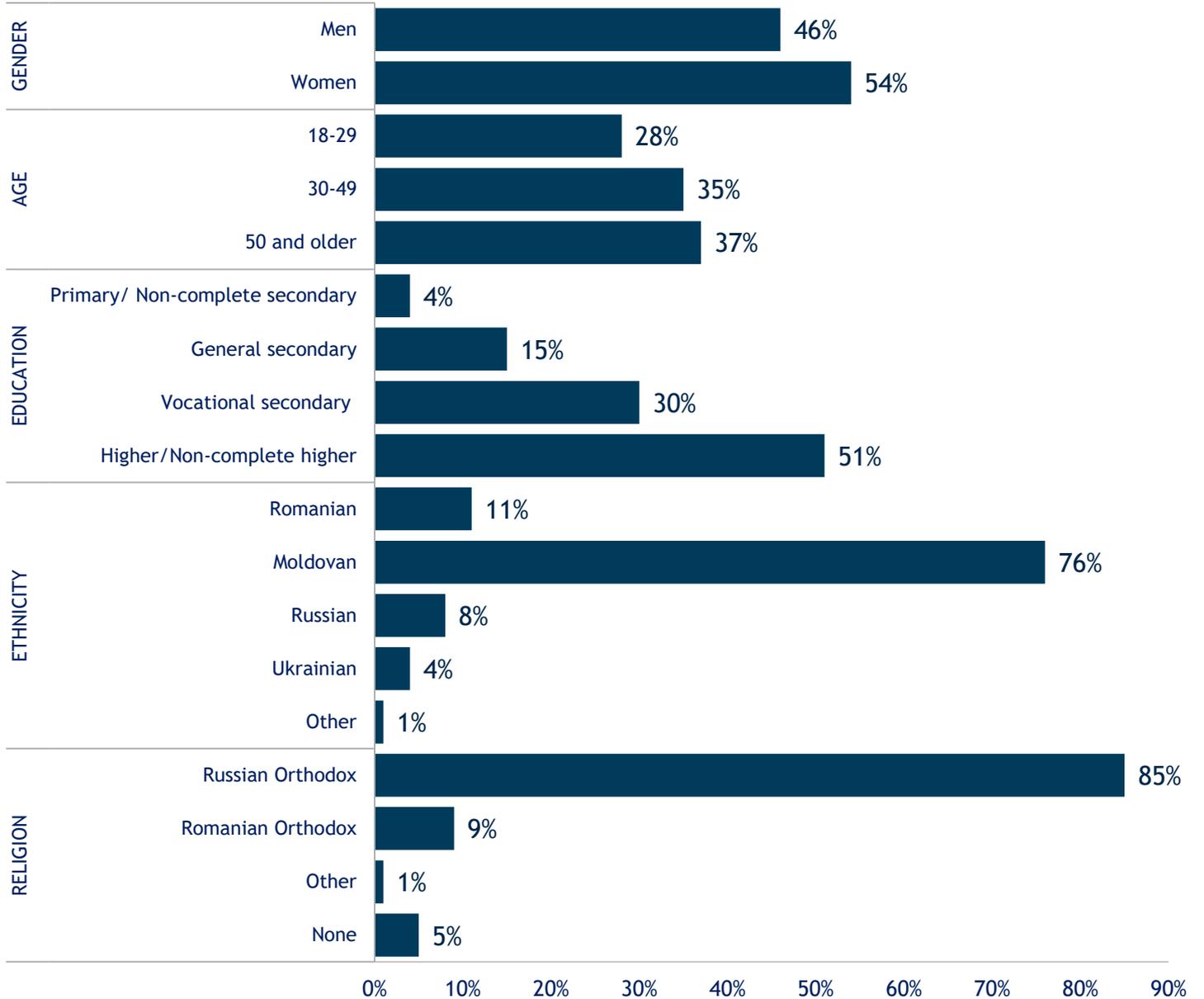
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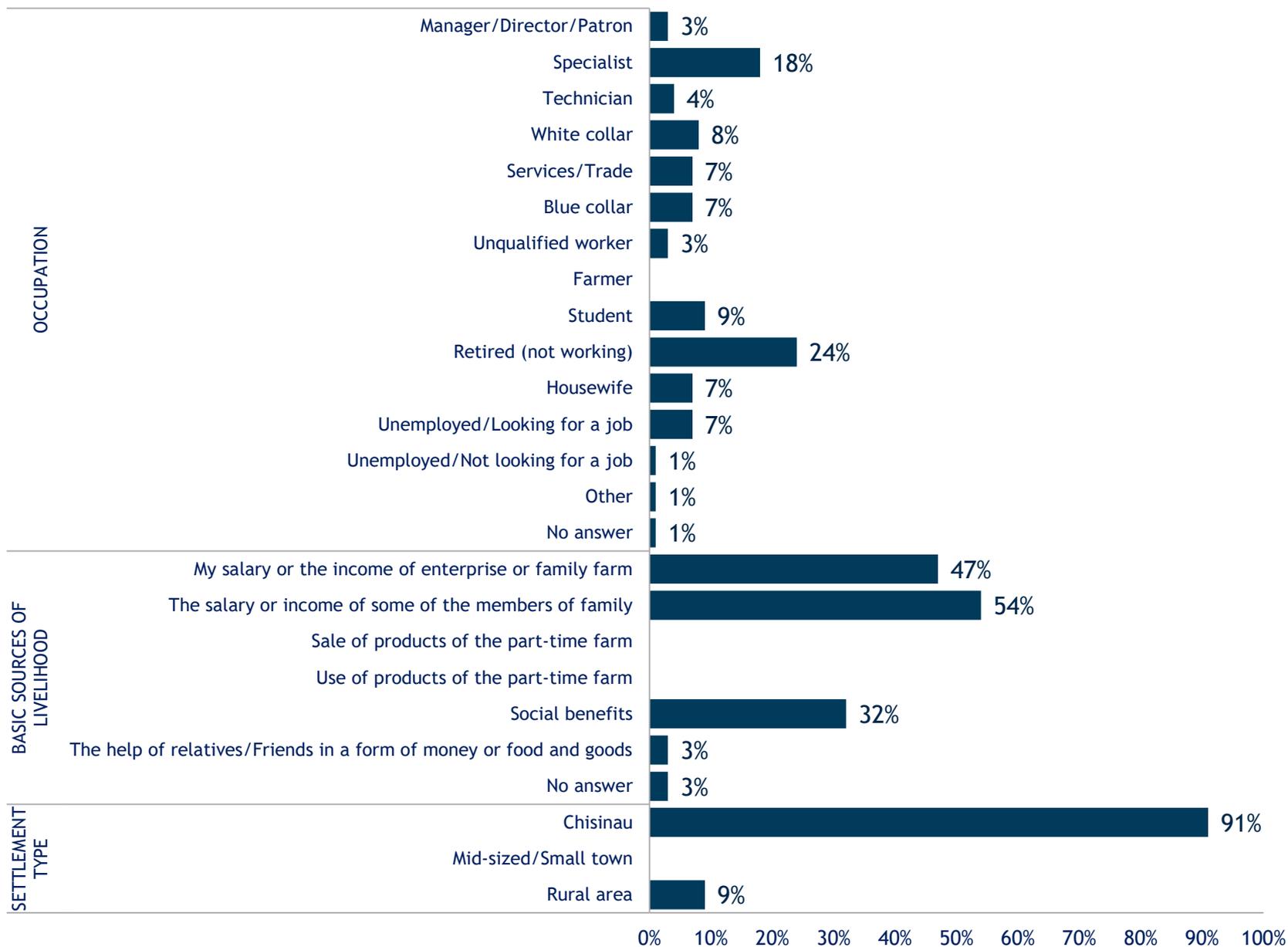
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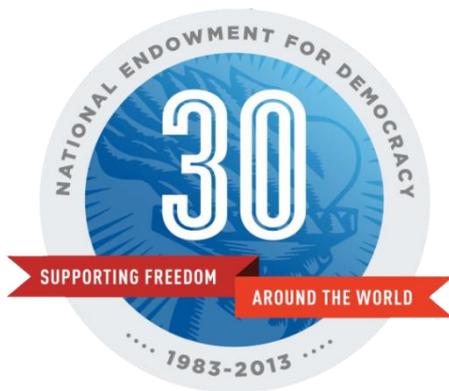


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