Public Opinion Survey: Residents of Niger

October 3-18, 2020



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Detailed Methodology

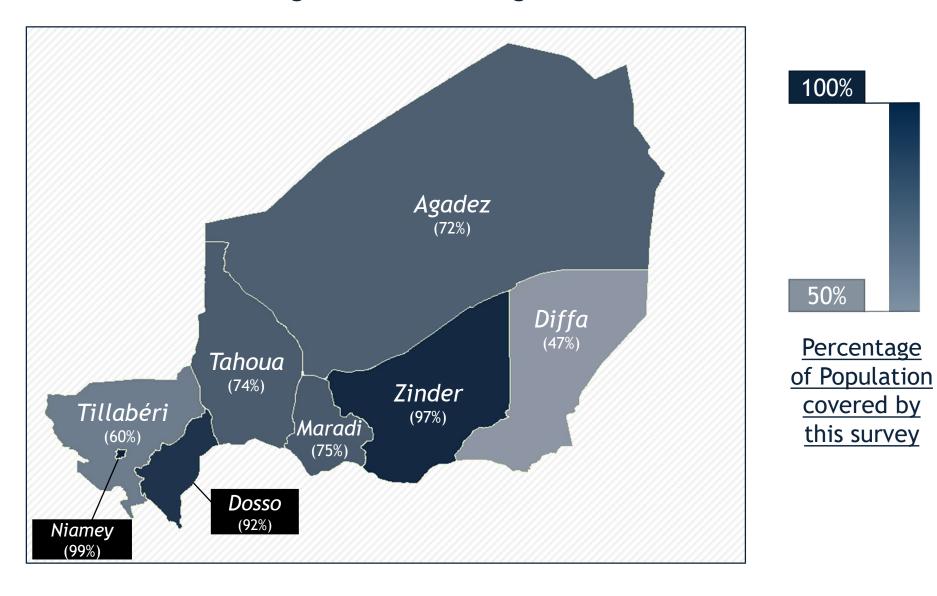
- This survey was conducted on behalf of the International Republican Institute's <u>Center for Insights</u> in Survey Research.
- Opinion Research Business International (ORB) oversaw data collection and quality control of survey data. Fieldwork was conducted by le Centre d'Incubation et de Promotion de l'Entrepreneurship et du Leadership (CIPEL), based in Niamey, Niger.
- The nationally representative survey was conducted in-person using Computer-Assisted Personal Interviewing (CAPI) from October 3 to October 18, 2020. The achieved sample size was 1,668 survey respondents, aged 18 and older. It consists of n=1,300 nationally representative interviews, and n=368 booster interviewers in Agadez and Diffa.
- The sampling frame included all accessible localities of Niger based on the 2012 Nigerien census (Recensement général de la Population et de l'Habitat). For the randomly selected localities deemed inaccessible due to insecurity, flooding or other fieldwork contingencies, an established substitution protocol was adopted to replace them while respecting allocation at the regional level. Households were selected by random walk, and within each selected household, a respondent was randomly selected.
- 15 percent of the total population was inaccessible due to high levels of insecurity.
 - 27 percent of Agadez, 53 percent of Diffa, 6 percent of Dosso, 26 percent of Maradi, 0 percent of Niamey, 1 percent of Tahoua, 40 percent of Tillabéri, and 3 percent of Zinder were inaccessible.
- The estimated maximum sampling error for the national sample is ±2.7 percent.
- The response rate was 97 percent.
- The sample was weighted based on regional populations, urbanity, gender, education level, and age groups so that the final sample was in accordance with the census statistics of these categories.
- Charts and graphs may not add up to 100 percent due to rounding.

Frequently Cited Disaggregates

| Disaggregate | Disaggregation Category | Base |
|------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Region | Agadez | n=45 (unweighted n= 225) |
| | Diffa | n=57 (unweighted n=204) |
| | Dosso | n=331 |
| | Maradi | n=53 |
| | Niamey | n=96 |
| | Tahoua | n=334 |
| | Tillabéri | n=267 |
| | Zinder | n=339 |
| Gender | Male | n=802 |
| | Female | n=866 |
| Age Groups | 18-35 | n=894 |
| | 36+ | n=774 |
| Occupational Status | Employed | n=186 |
| | Self-employed | n=599 |
| | Homemaker | n=633 |
| | Unemployed | n=95 |
| | Student | n=126 |
| Educational Attainment | No formal education/Less than primary | n=1157 |
| | Primary | n=397 |
| | Secondary or higher | n=114 |

^{*}Cited bases are weighted. Margin of error will vary with sample size n.

Regions and Coverage Exclusions

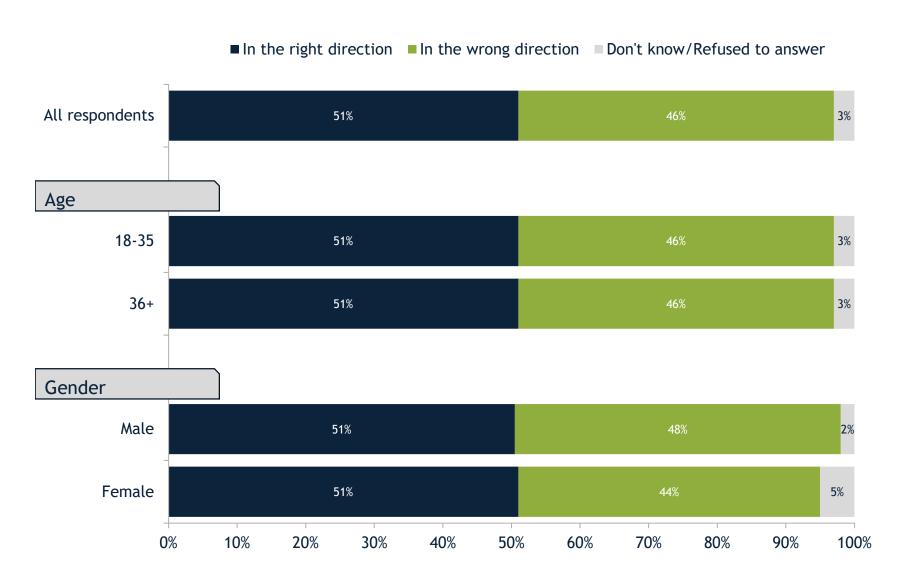


General Assessment and Outlook

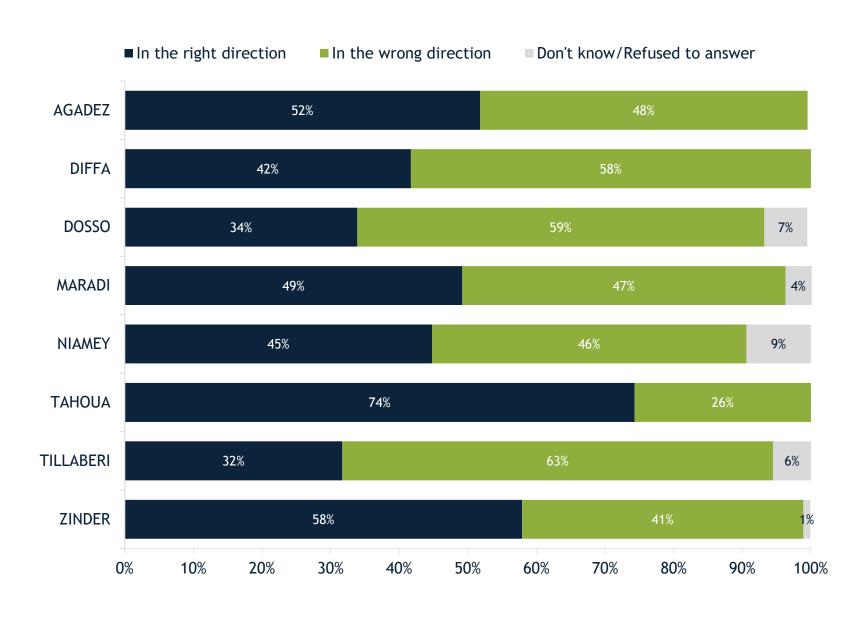


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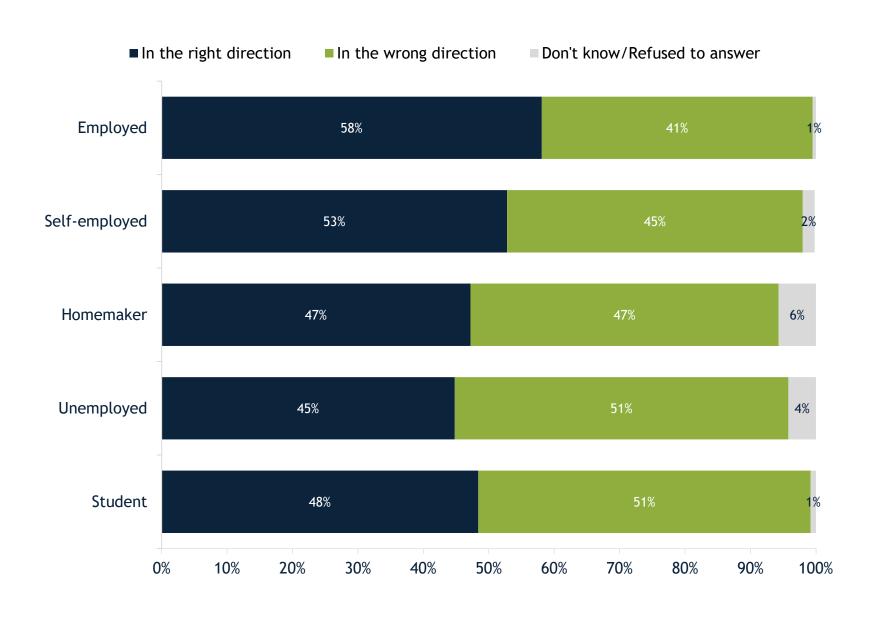
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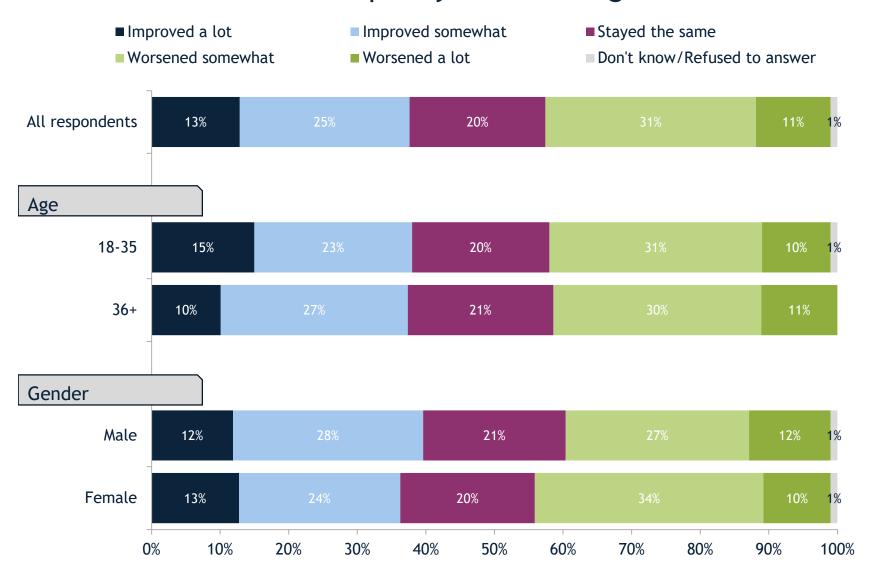
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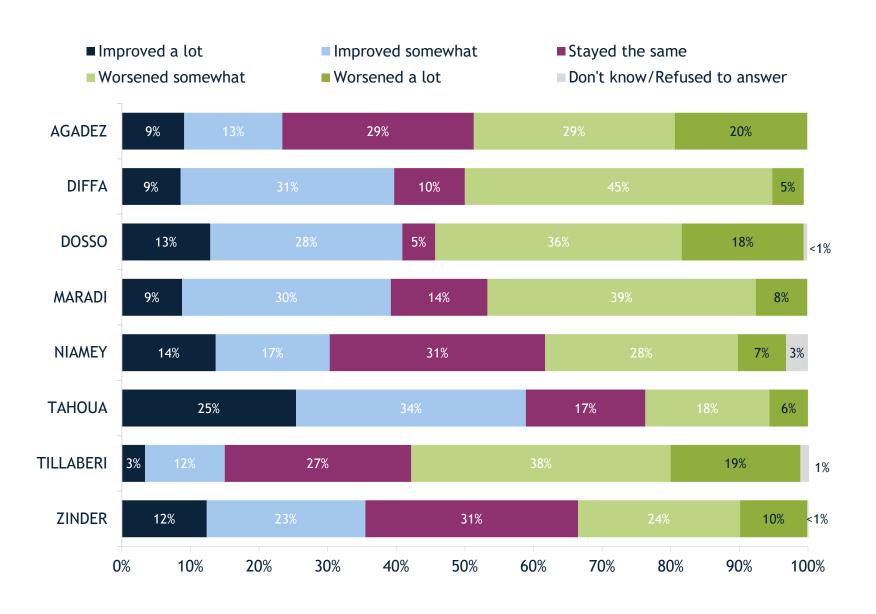
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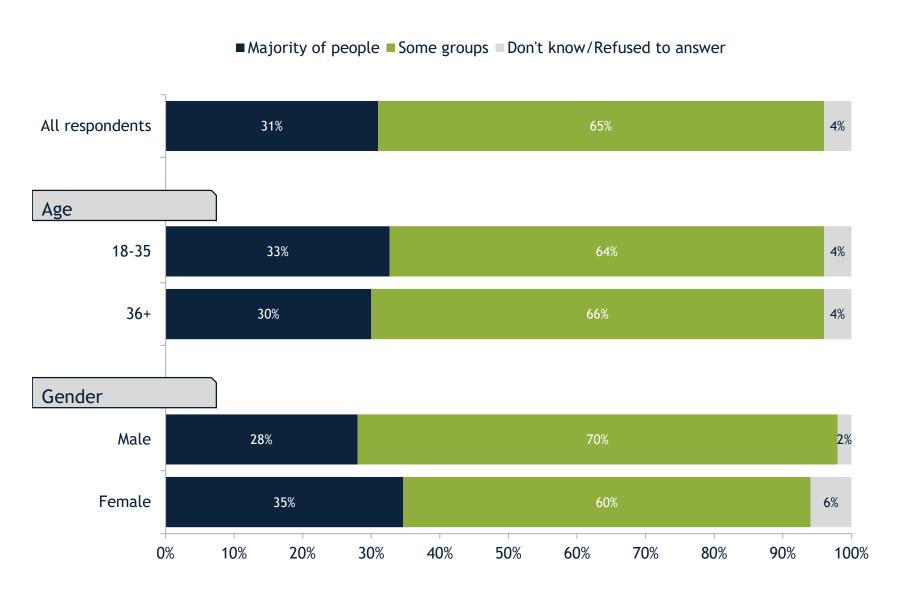
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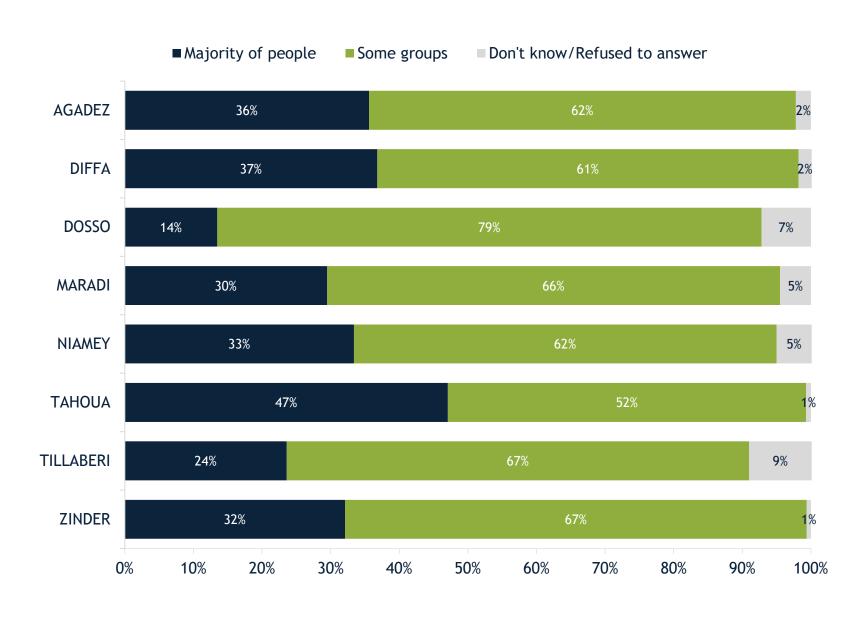
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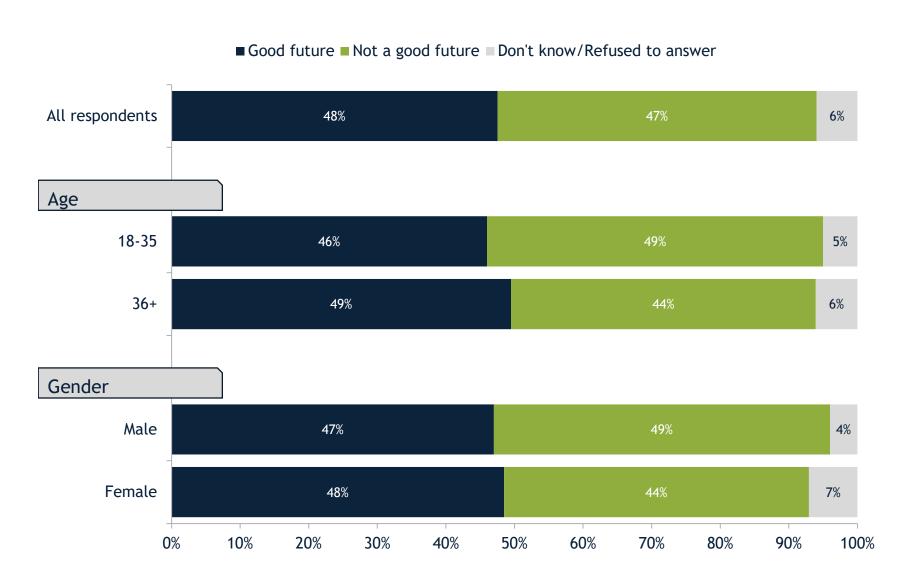
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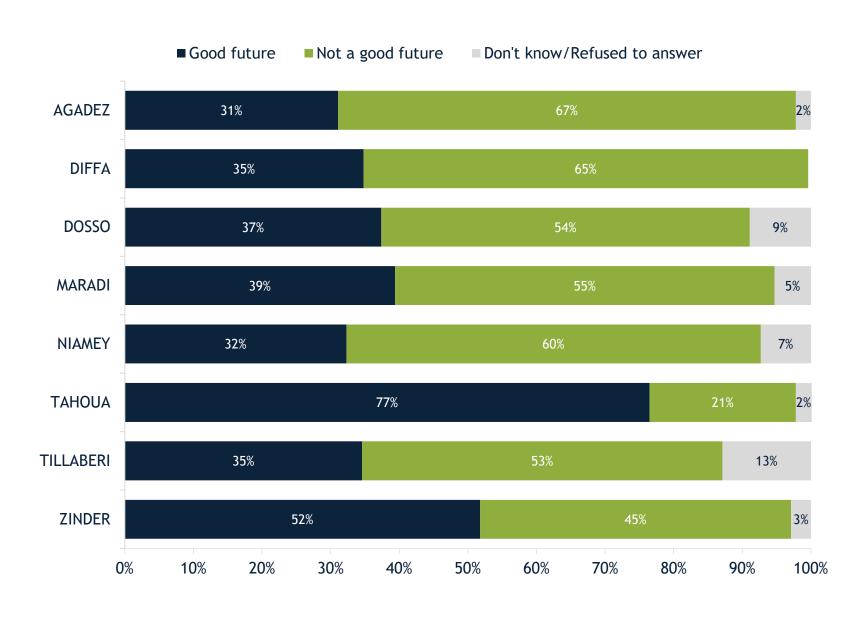
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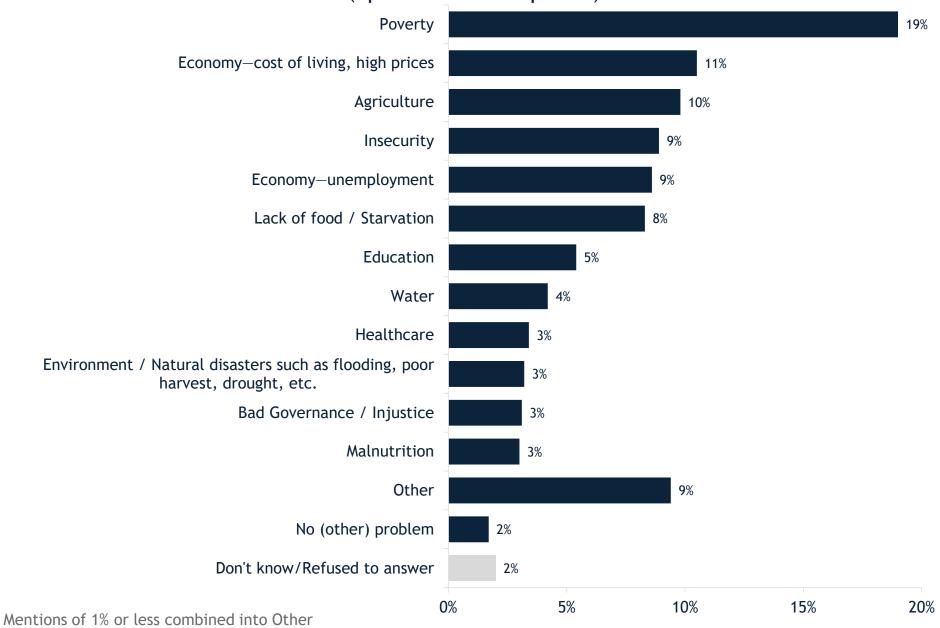
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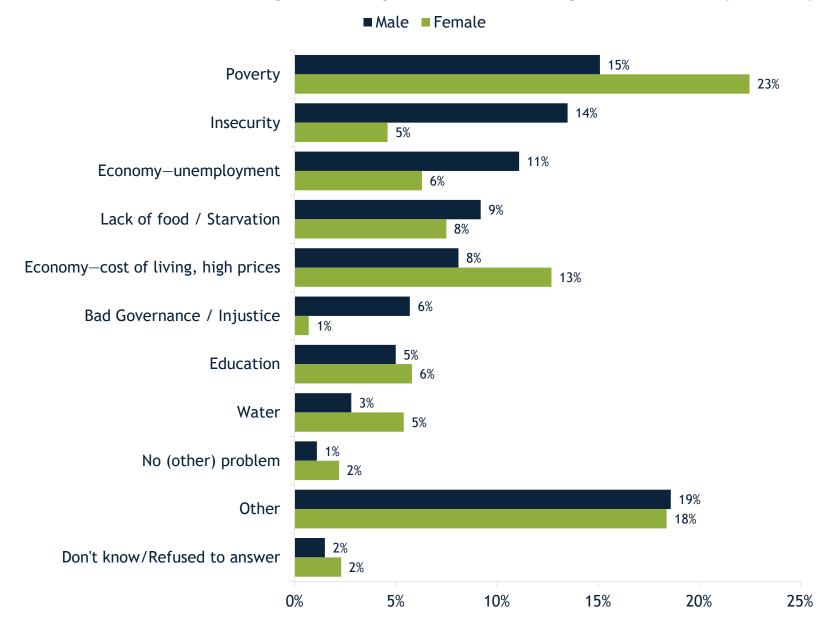
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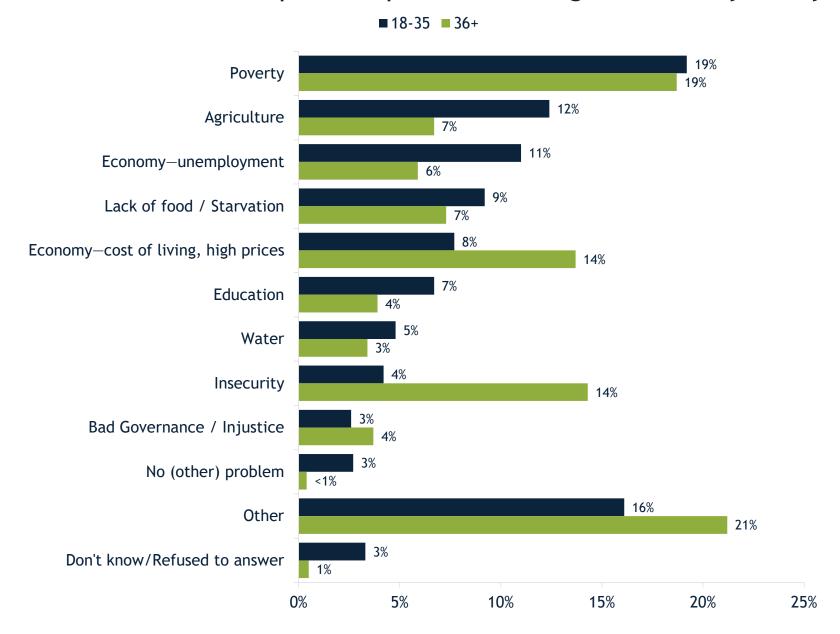
What is the most important problem facing our country today? (Spontaneous response)



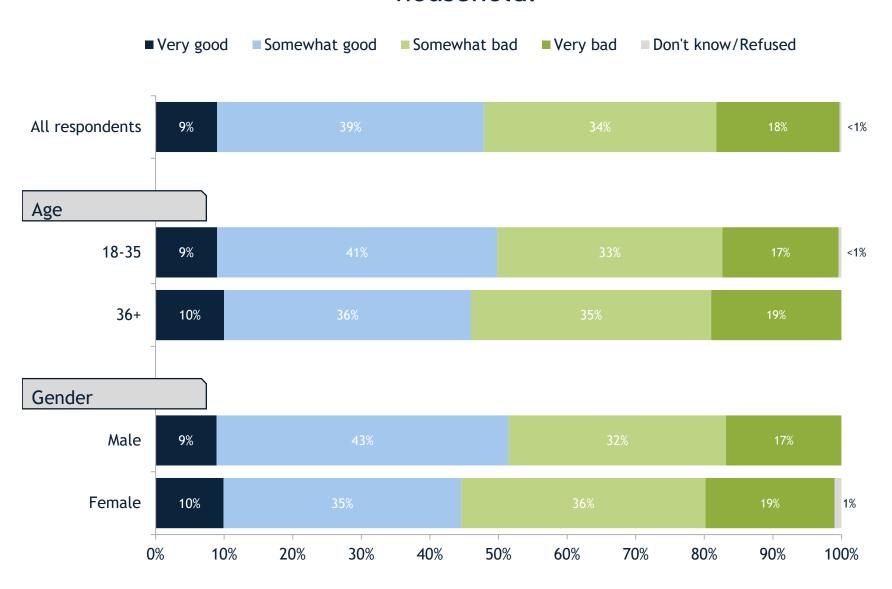
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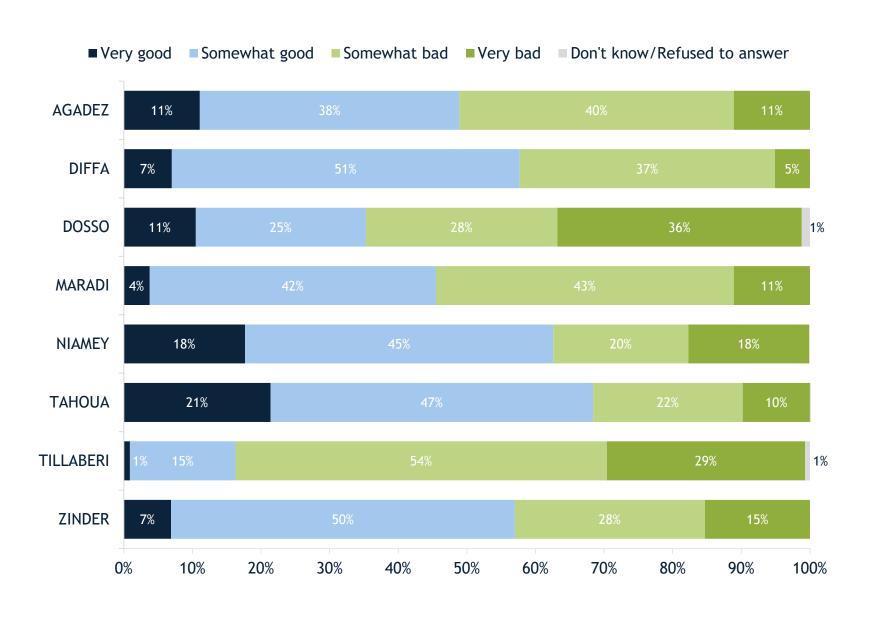
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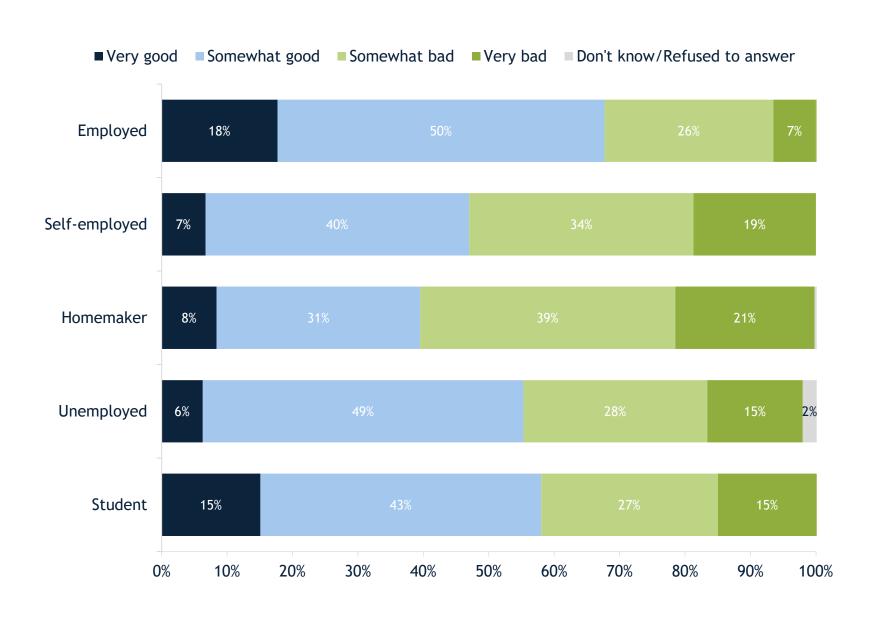
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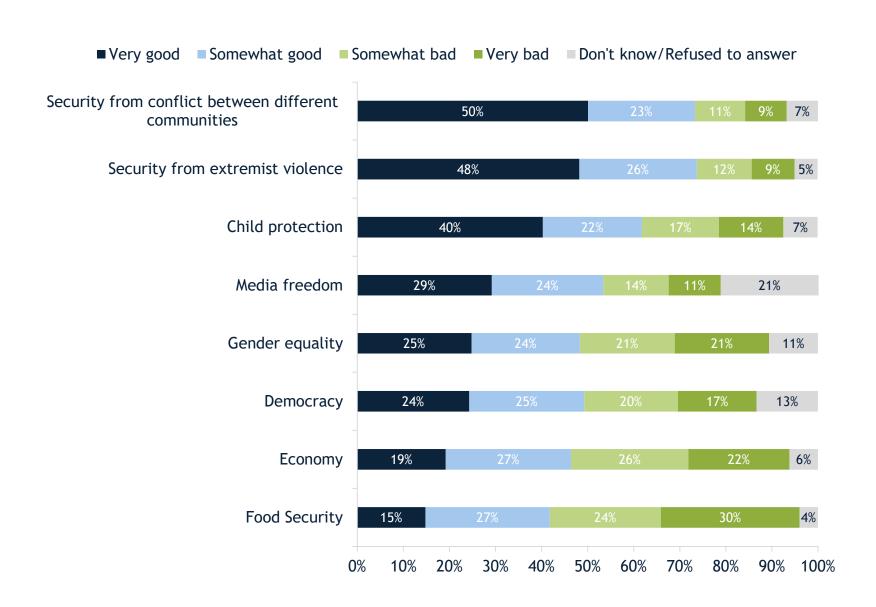
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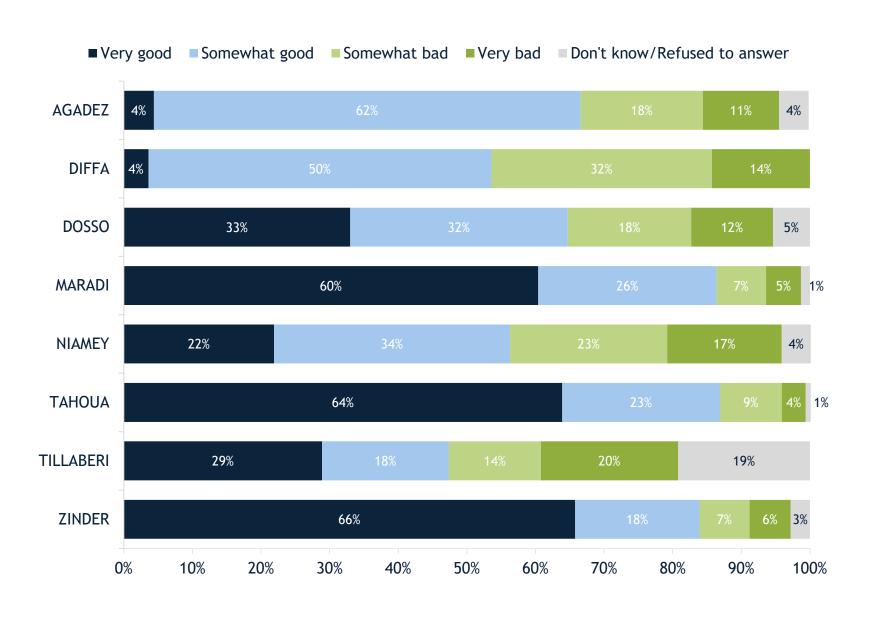
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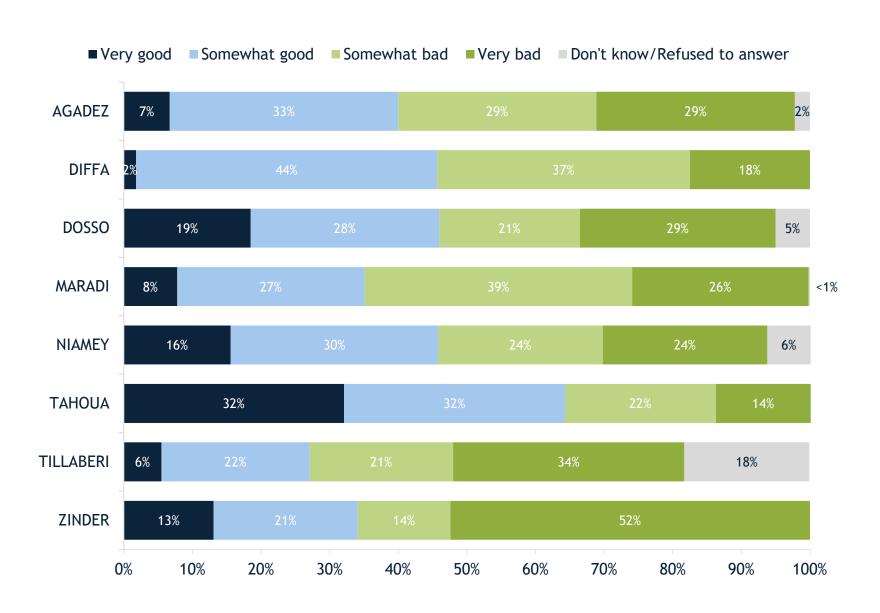
How would you the describe the current status of each of the following items in our region?



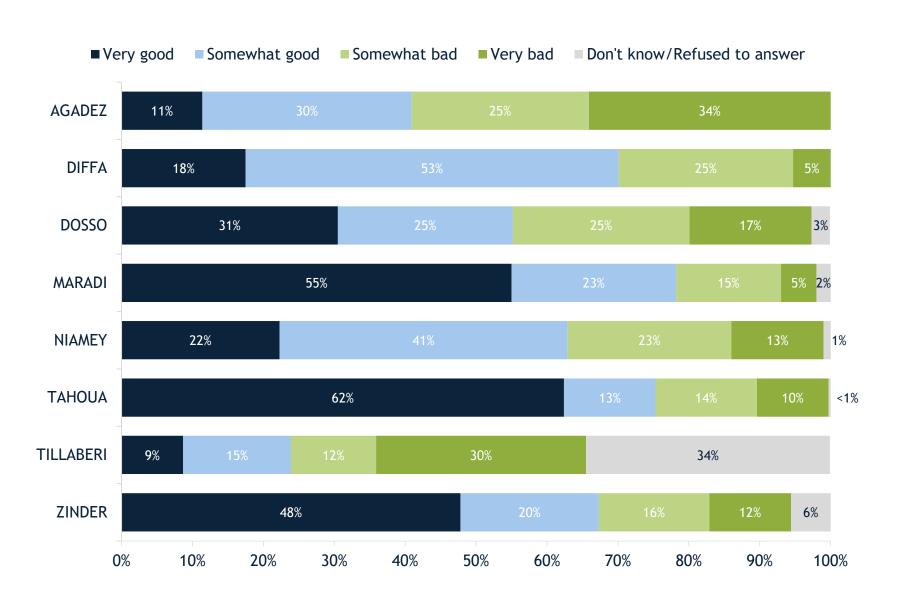
Security from extremist violence



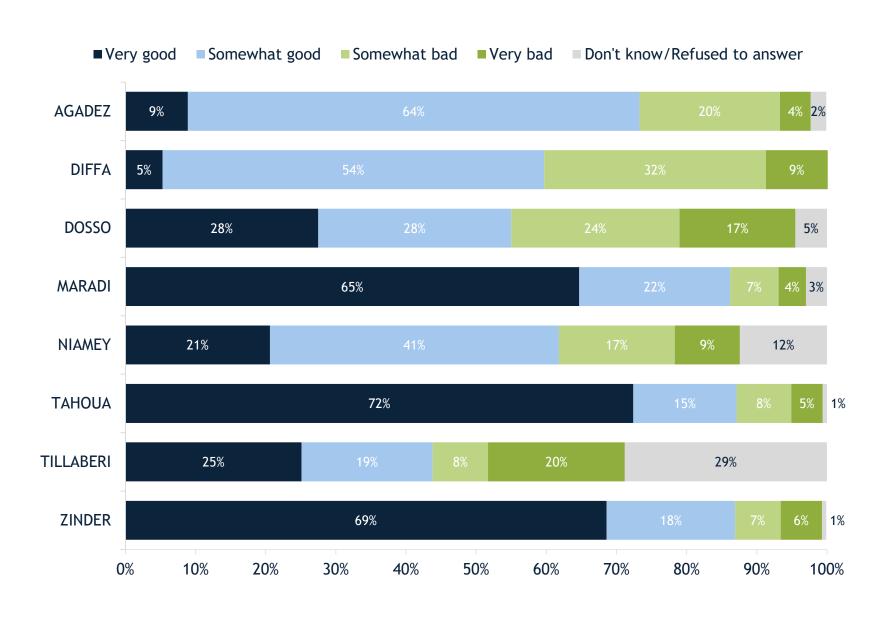
Food security



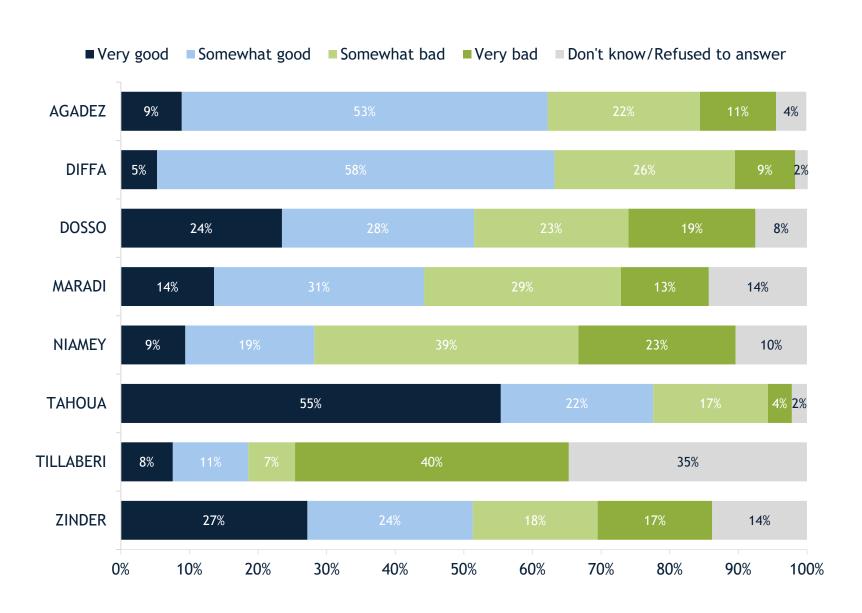
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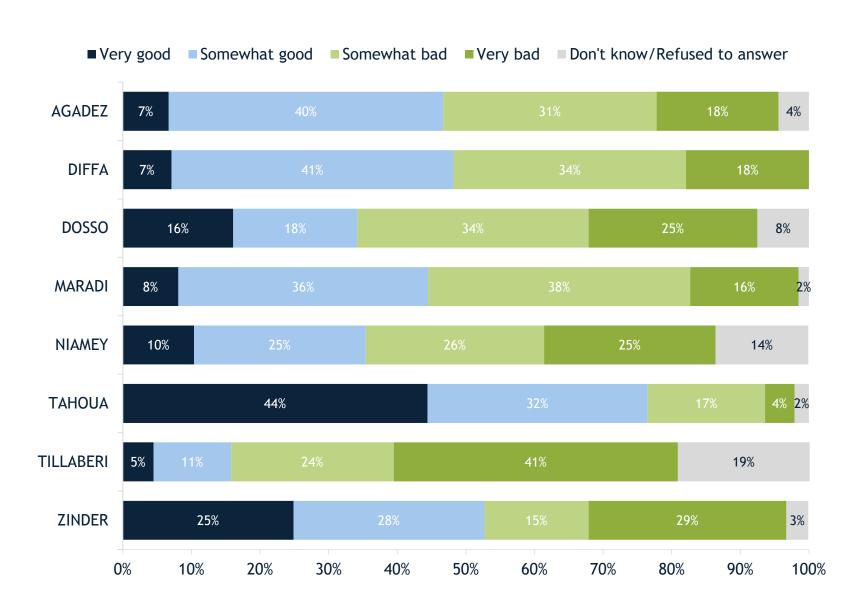
Security from conflict between different communities



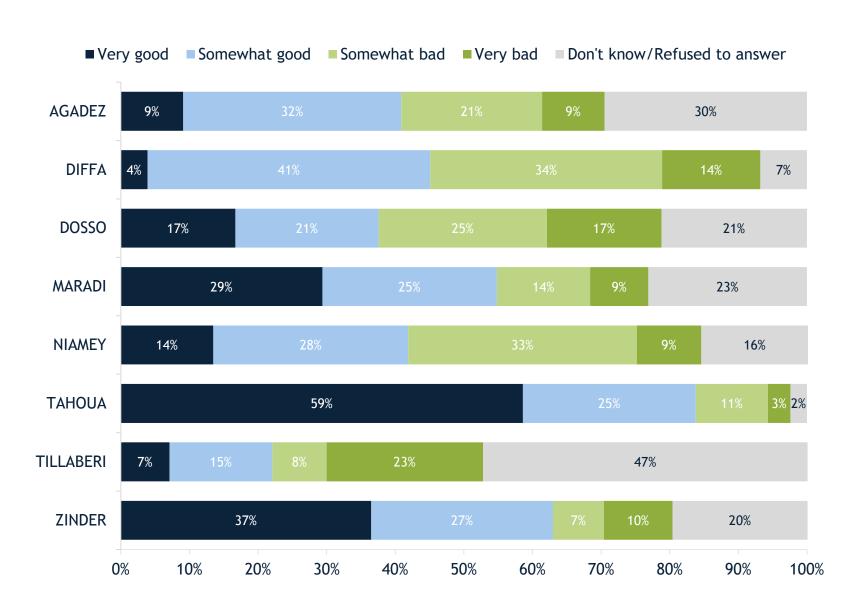
Democracy



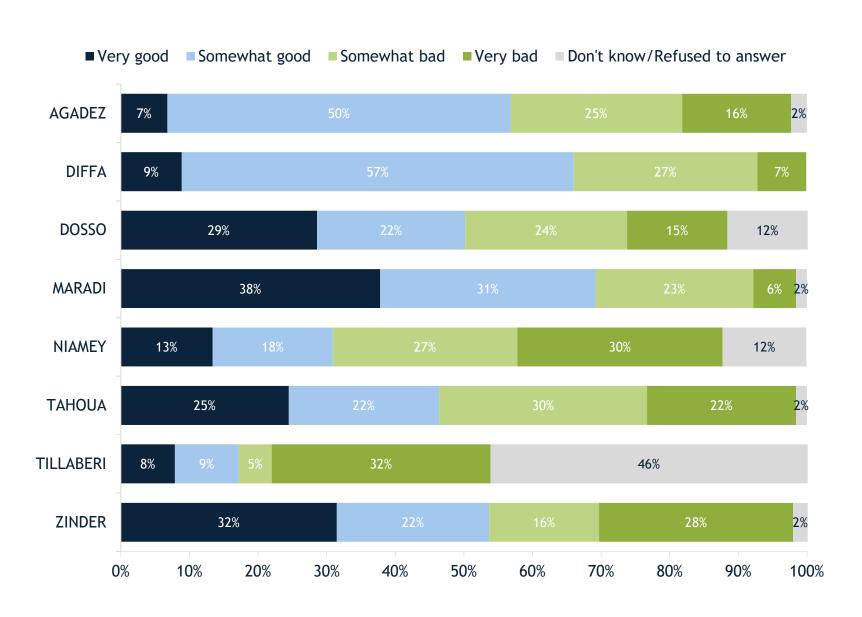
Economy



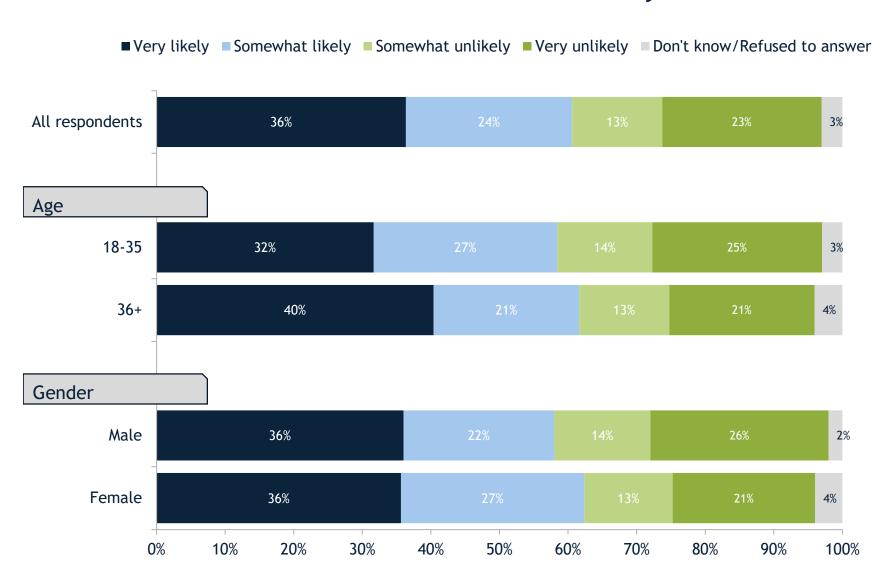
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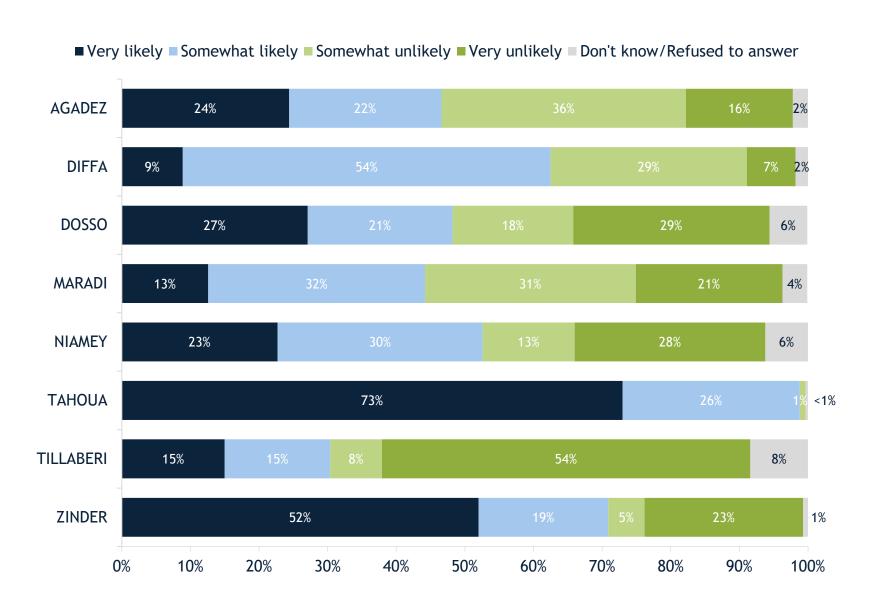
Gender Equality



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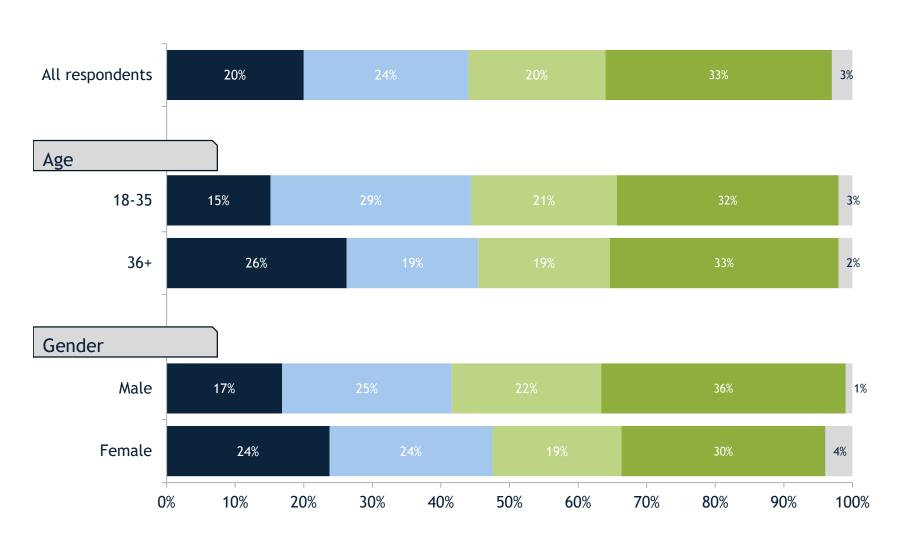
Ratings of Parties, Government, Personalities and Institutions



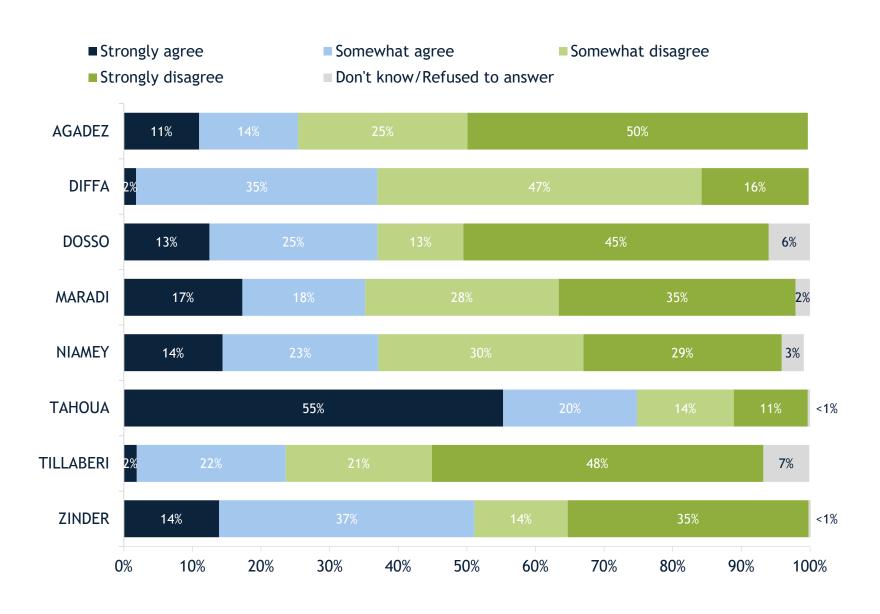
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Do you agree or disagree that political parties are doing enough to address the needs of people like you?

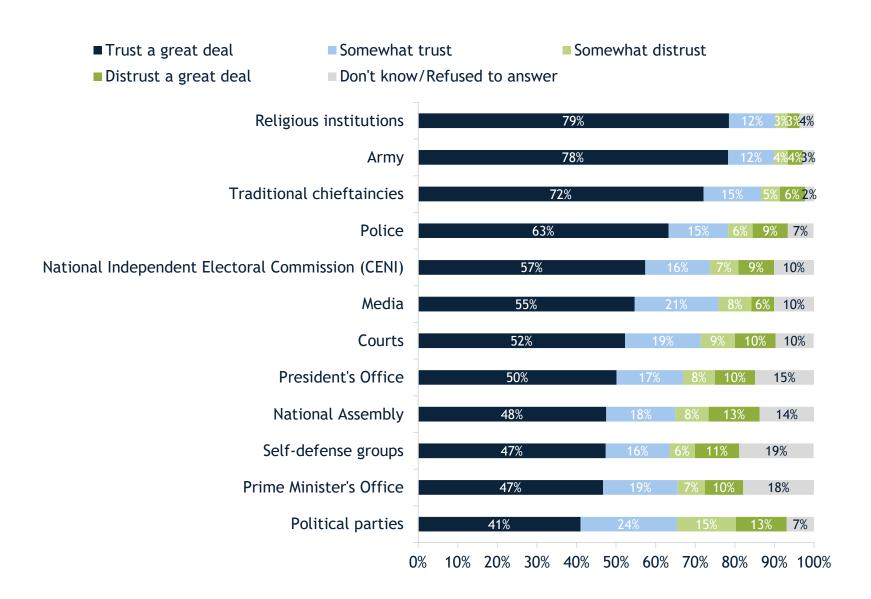
■ Strongly agree ■ Somewhat agree ■ Somewhat disagree ■ Strongly disagree ■ Don't know/Refused to answer



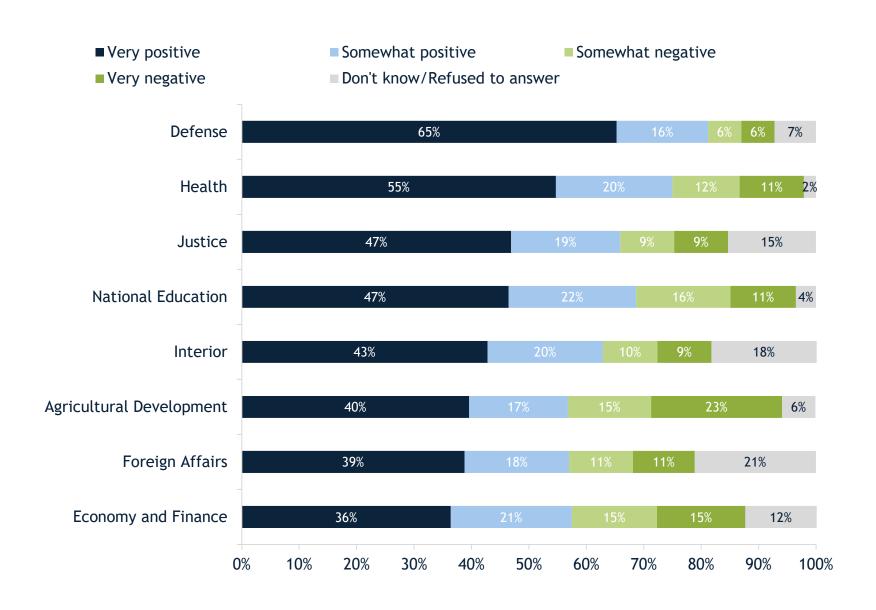
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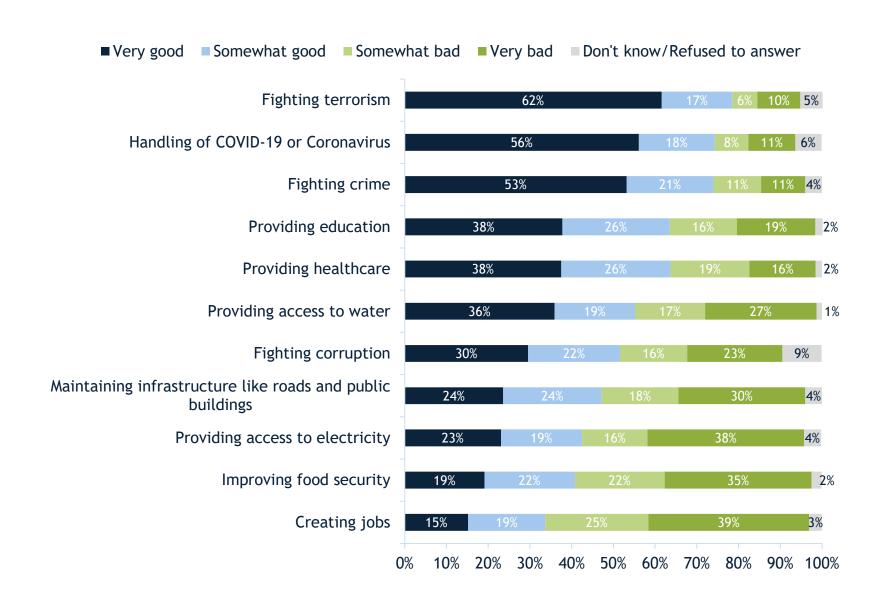
To what extent do you trust or distrust each of the following institutions?



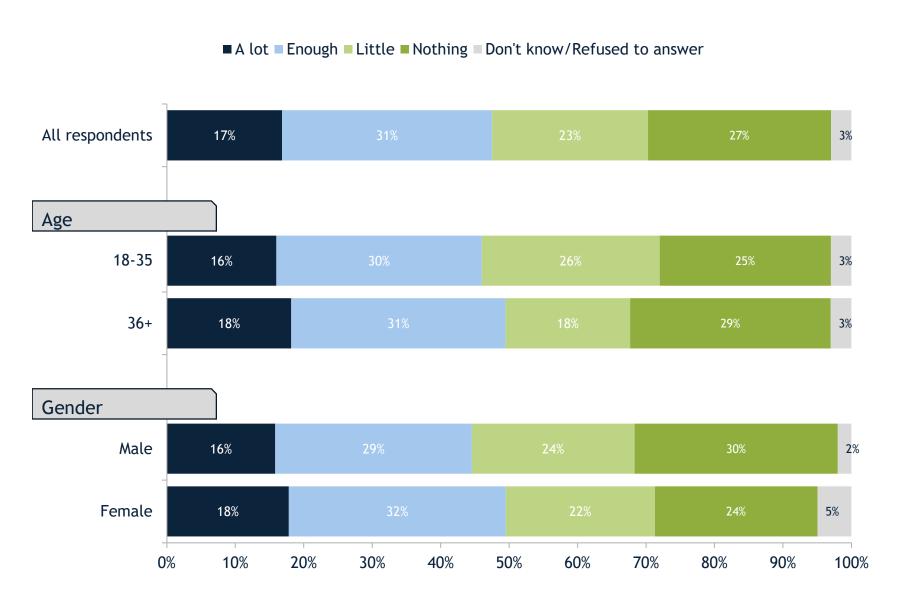
What is your opinion of each of the following ministries?



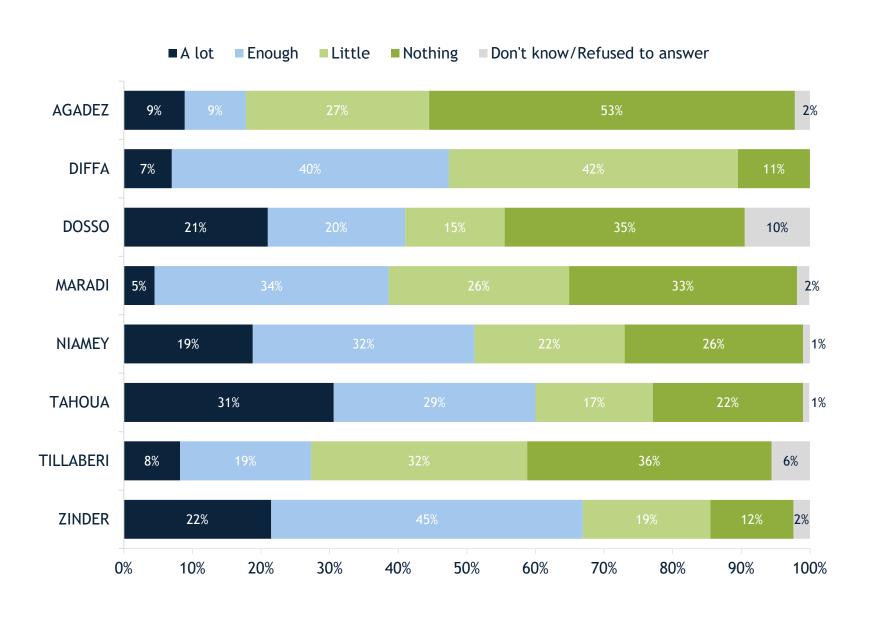
For the following issues, is the regional government doing a very good, somewhat good, somewhat bad, or very bad job?



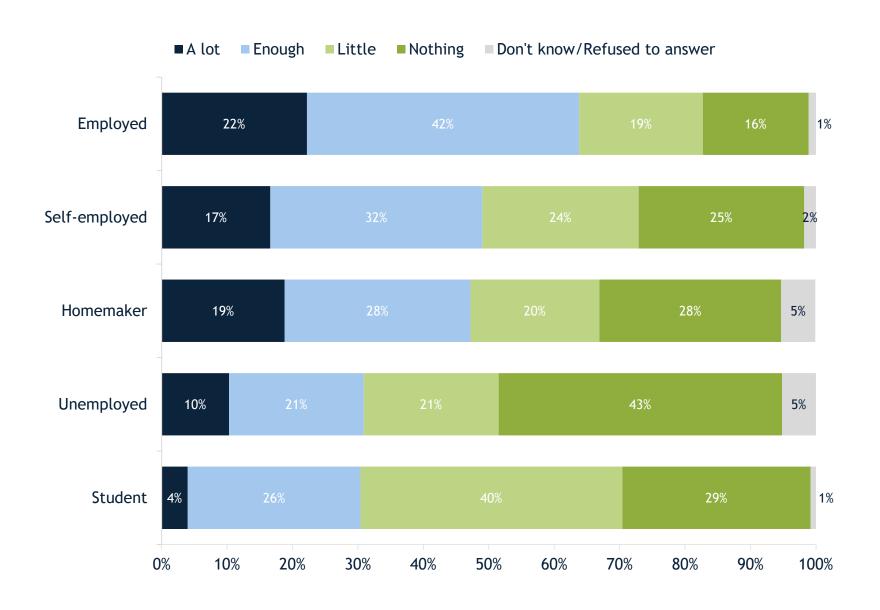
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Inclusion and Civic Engagement

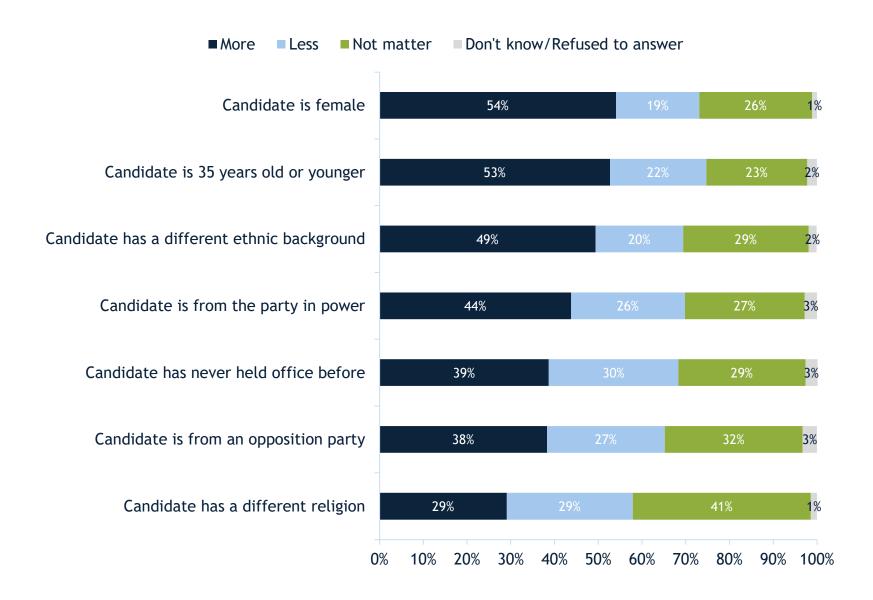


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How important or unimportant is it that all members of our country's adult population are included in political decision-making? How important is it that ... are included?

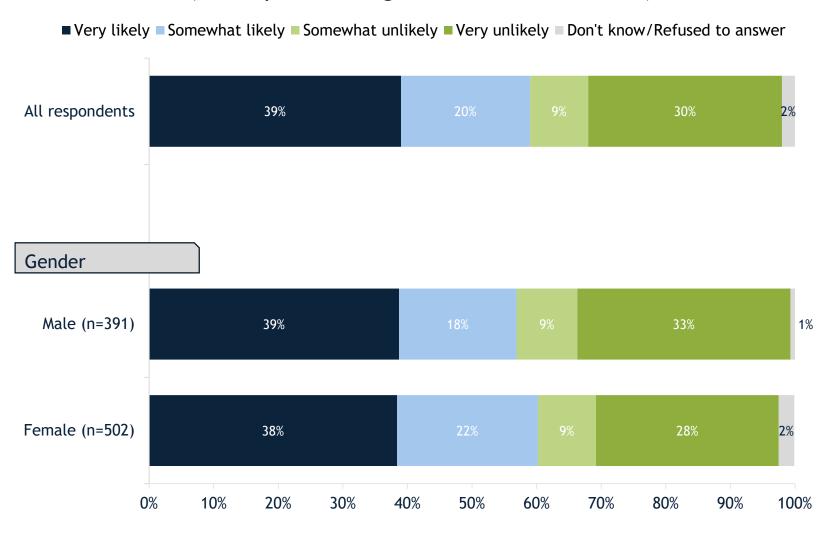


I will read you a list of several attributes a candidate running for office may have. For each attribute, please tell me if it would make you more likely or less likely to vote for the candidate, or if it would not matter.



How likely, if at all, are you to run for political office by the age of 35?

(All respondents aged 35 and under, n=893)

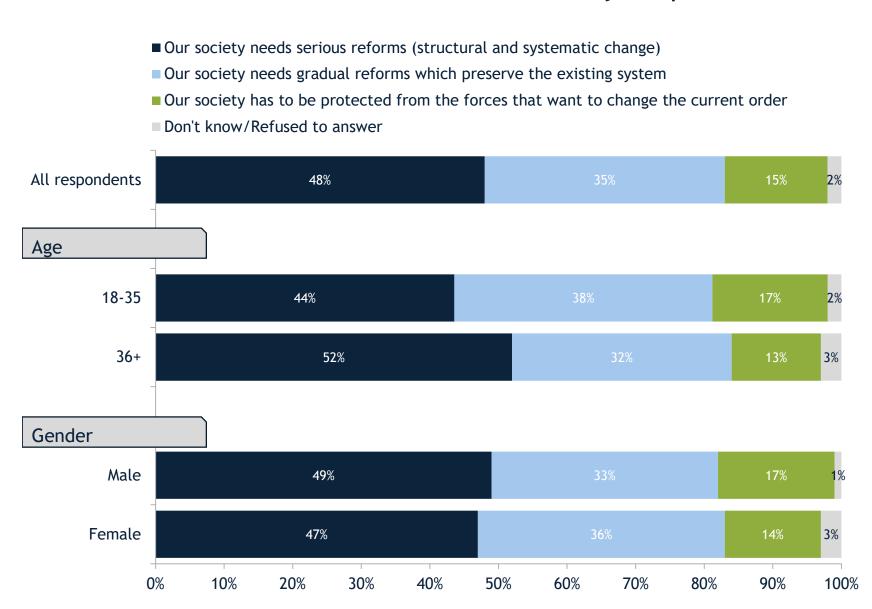






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Which of these statements is closest to your point of view?



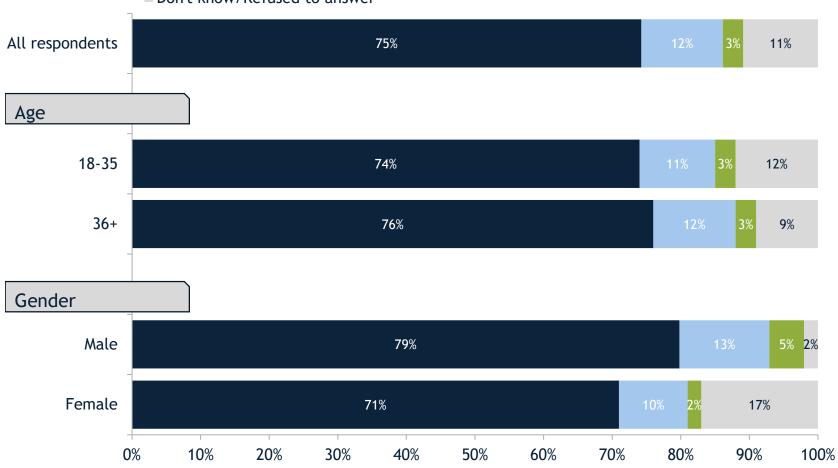
Values and Ideology



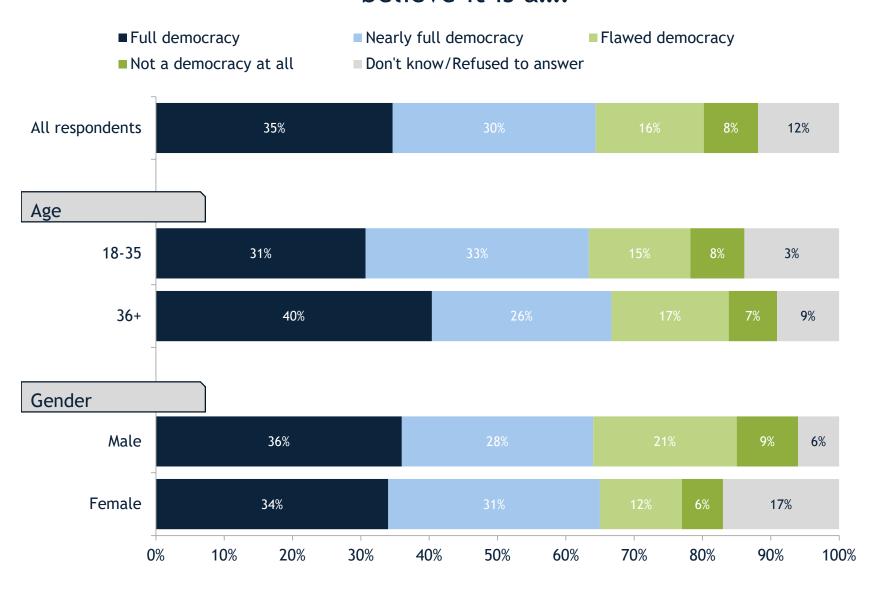
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Do you believe that democracy is the best possible form of government for our country or not?

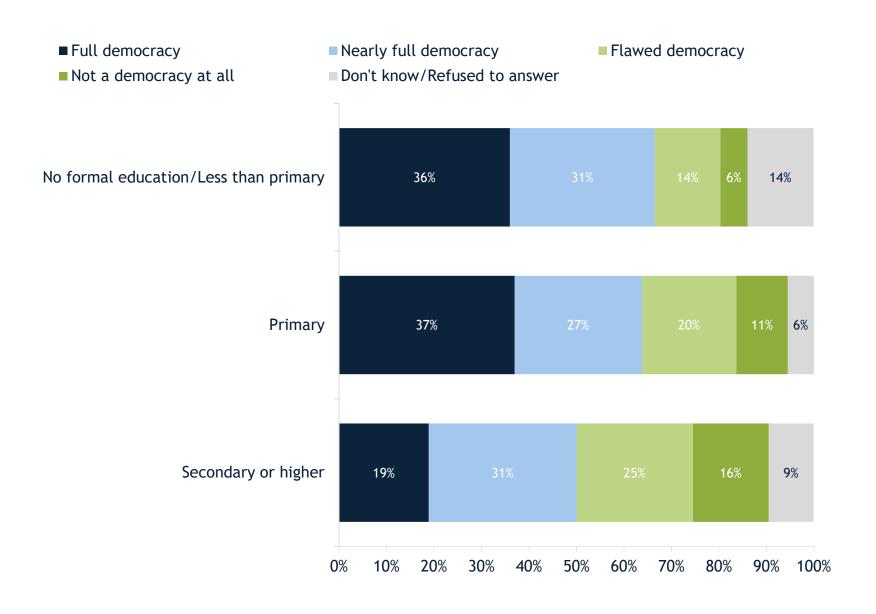
- Yes, it is the best possible form of government for our country
 No, there are other forms of government that could be equally good for our country
 No, there are other forms of government that are better than democracy
- Don't know/Refused to answer



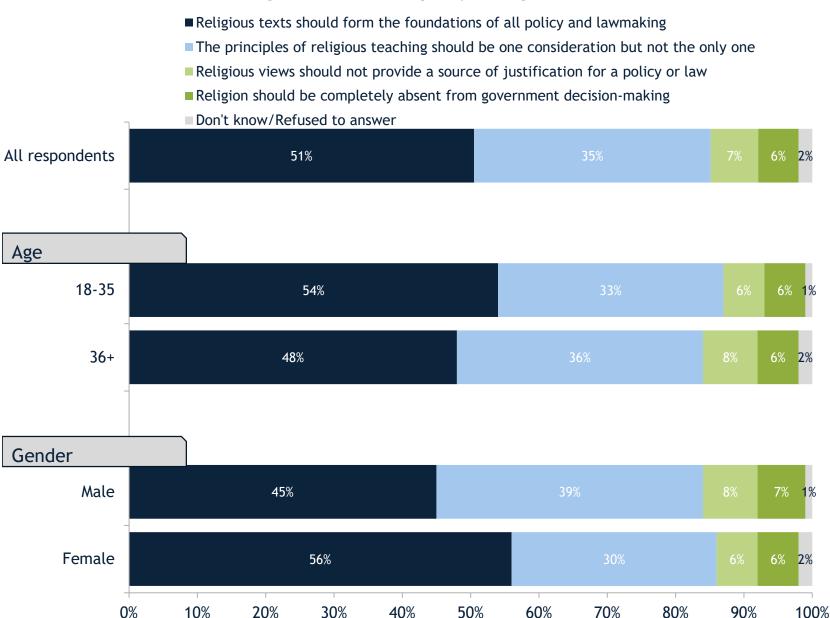
Thinking about our country's current political system, do you believe it is a...?



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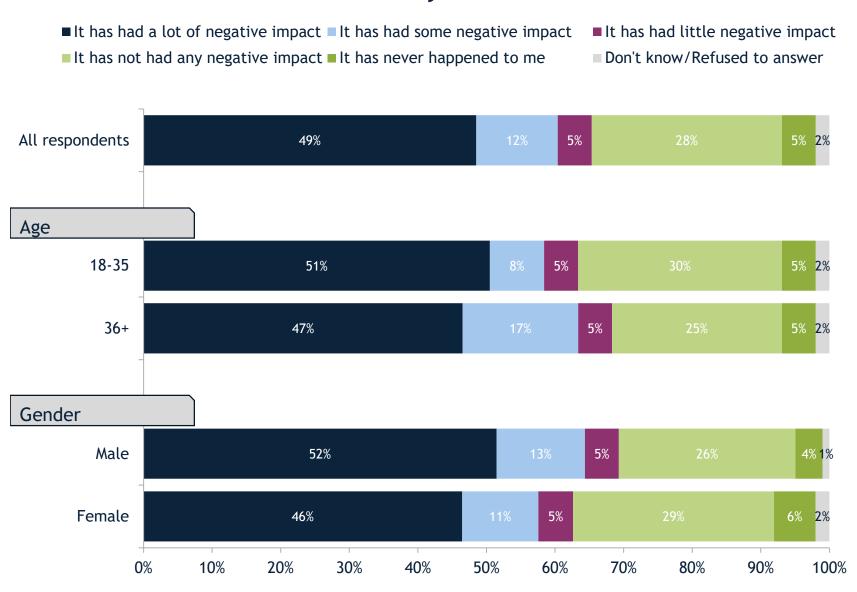
Which of the following statements best matches your own opinion of the role that religion should play in government and lawmaking?



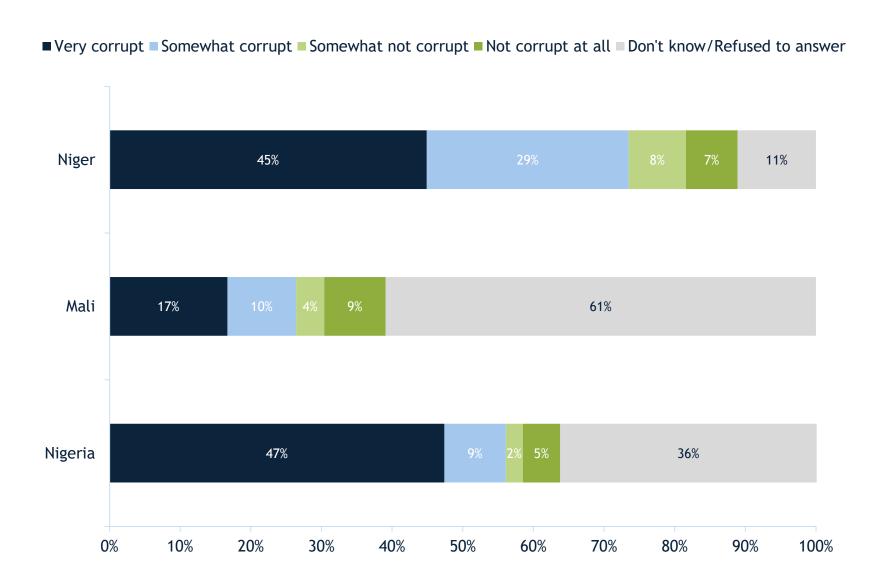


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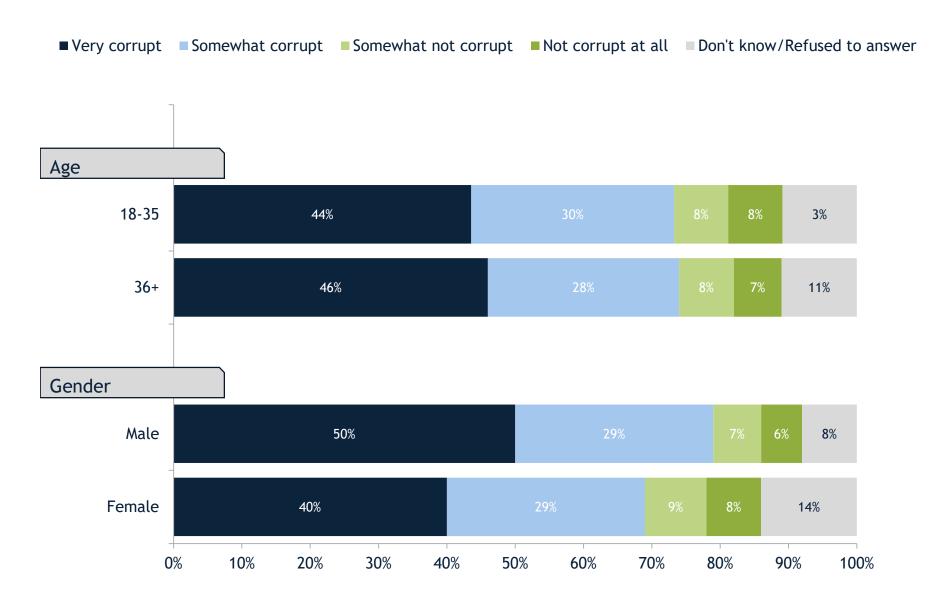
To what extent, if any, has corruption had a negative impact on you?



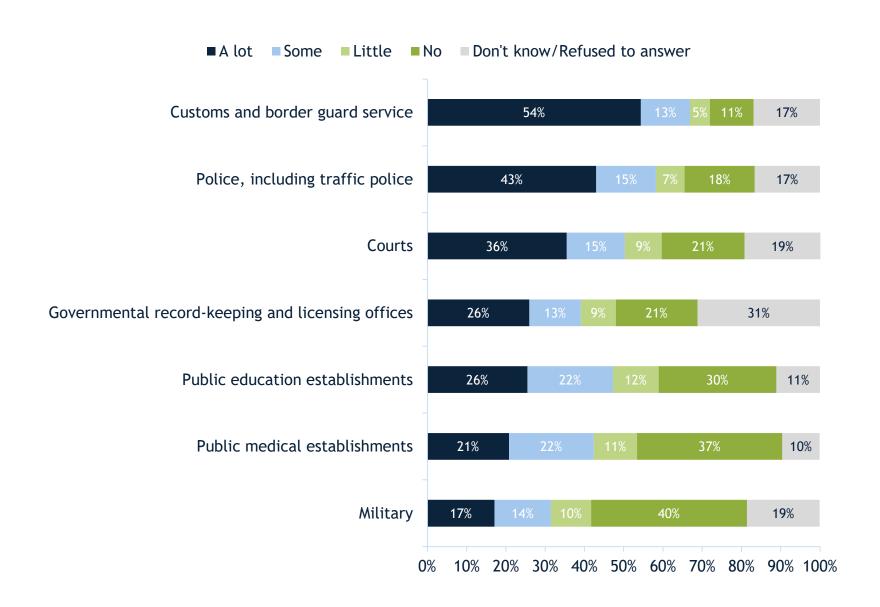
Please tell me how corrupt or not corrupt the government in each of the following countries is.



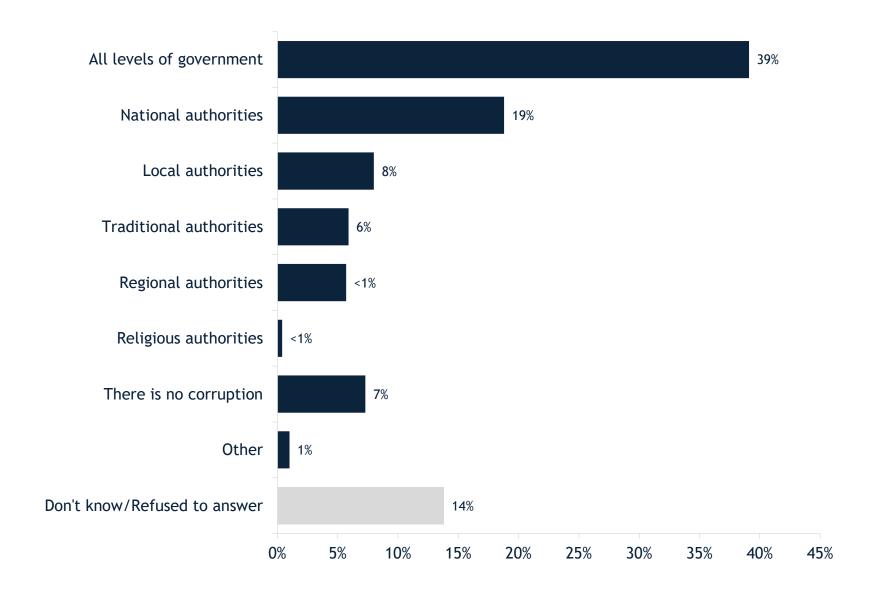
Niger



Please tell me if there is a lot, some, little, or no corruption among each of the following providers of government services.



At which level of government is corruption most prevalent?

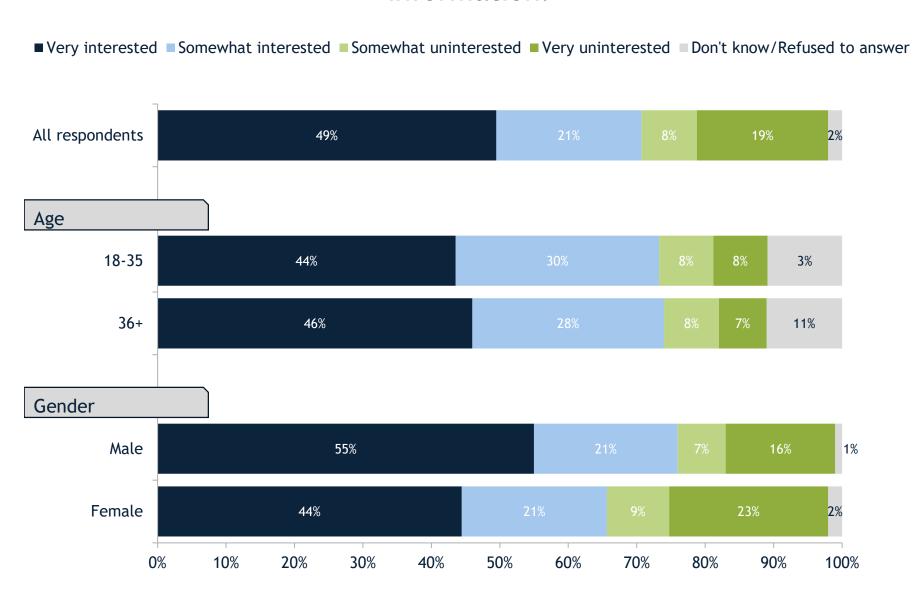


Sources of Information

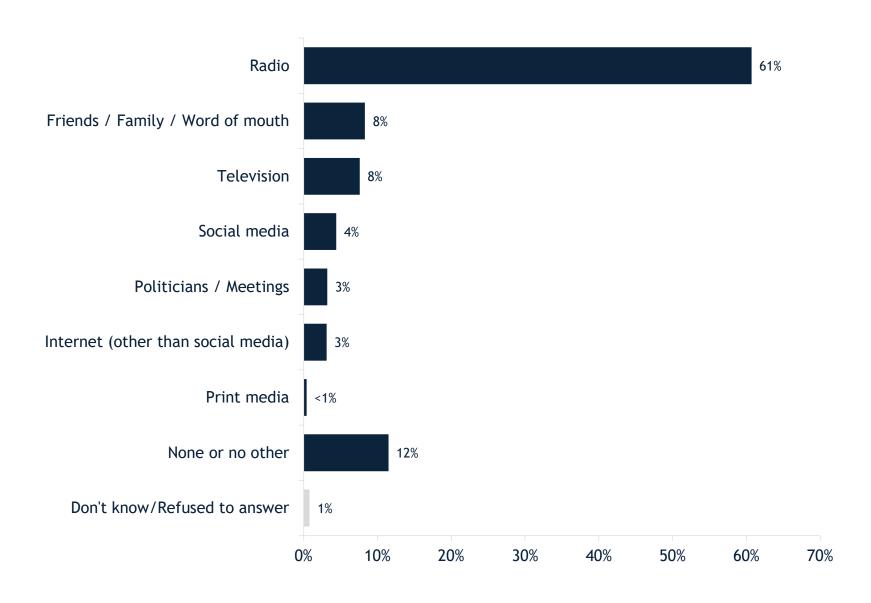


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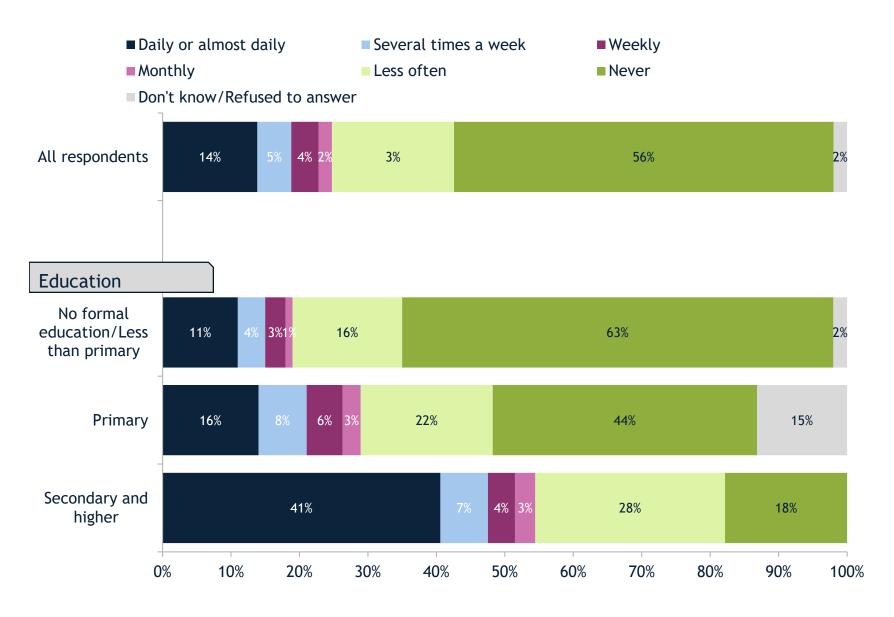
How interested or uninterested are you in political news and information?



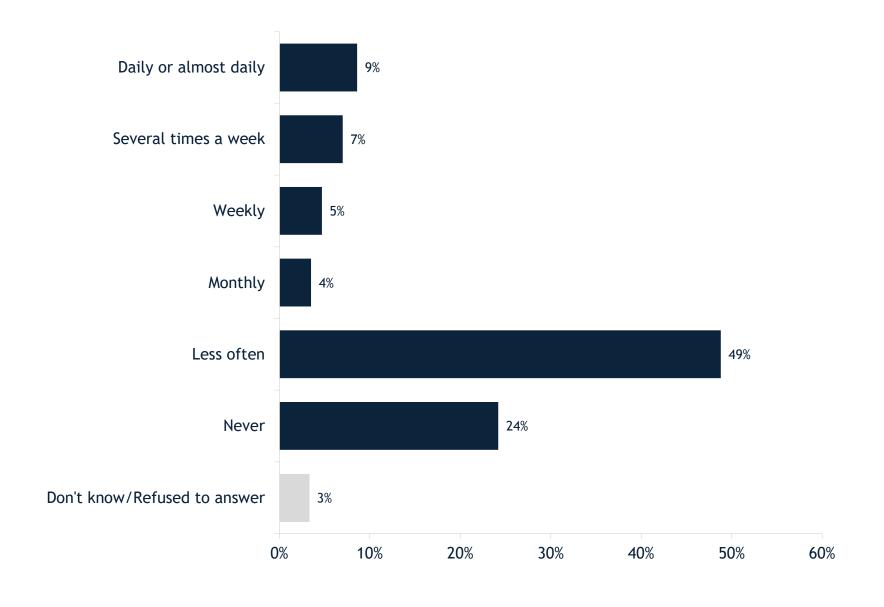
Which media platform do you use most frequently to gain political news and information?



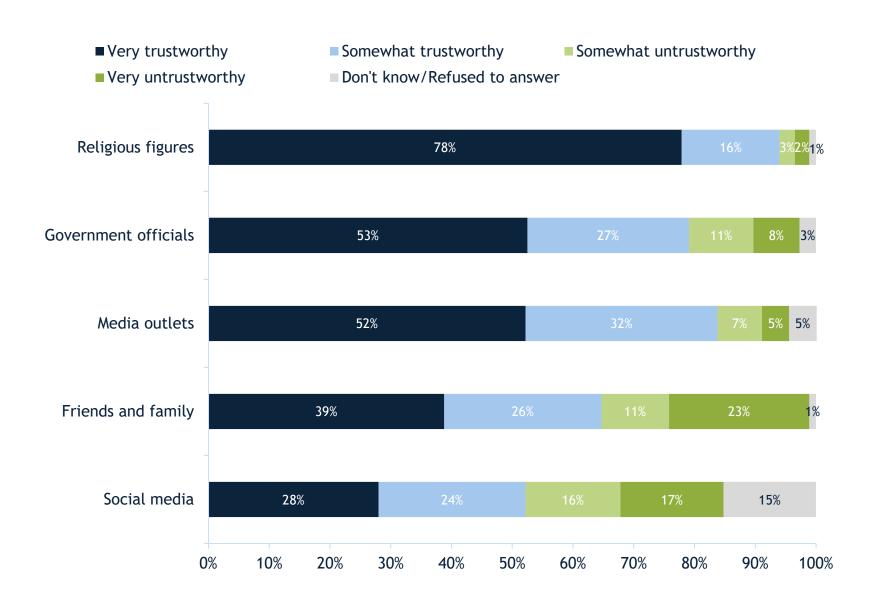
How often, if ever, do you use the internet or social media?



How frequently do you encounter information in the media, including social media, that you believe is misleading or false?

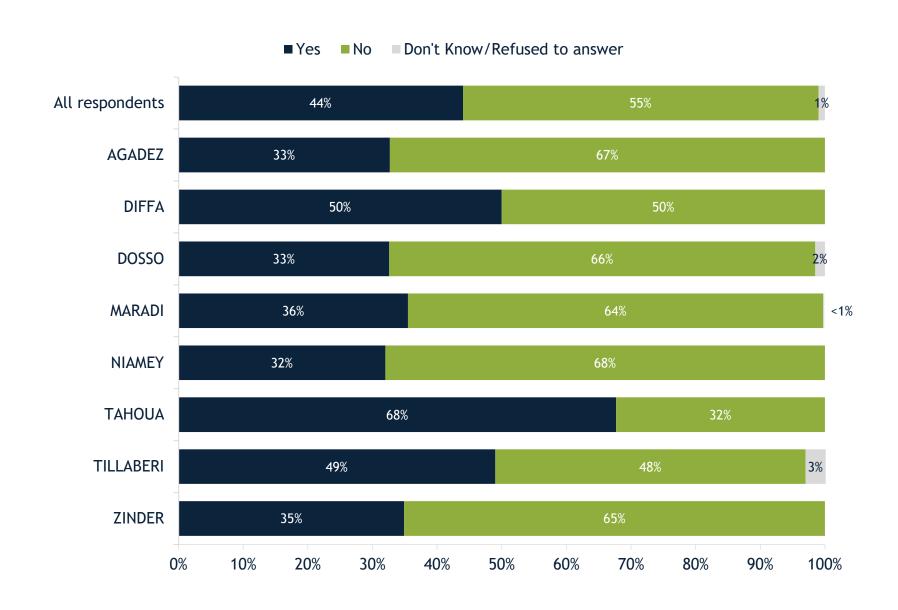


For each of the following groups, please tell me how trustworthy or untrustworthy they are as a source of information?



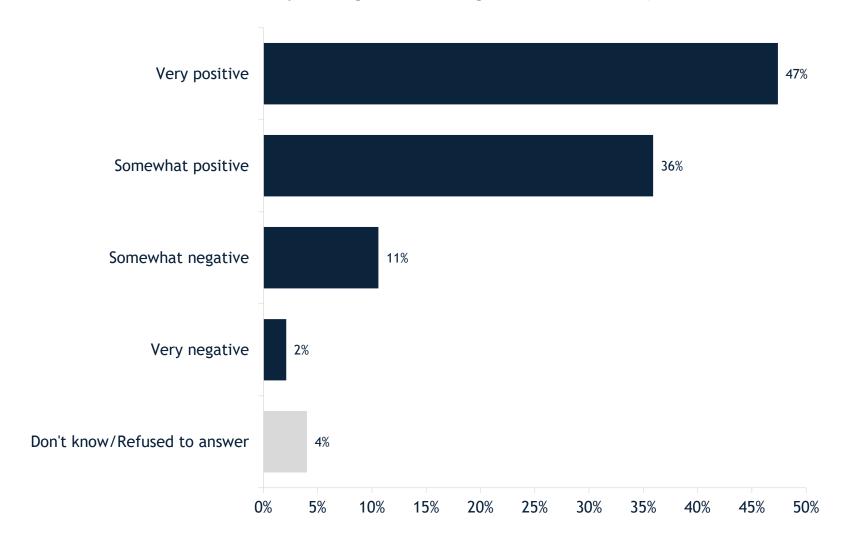


Do any members of your household currently live or work abroad?



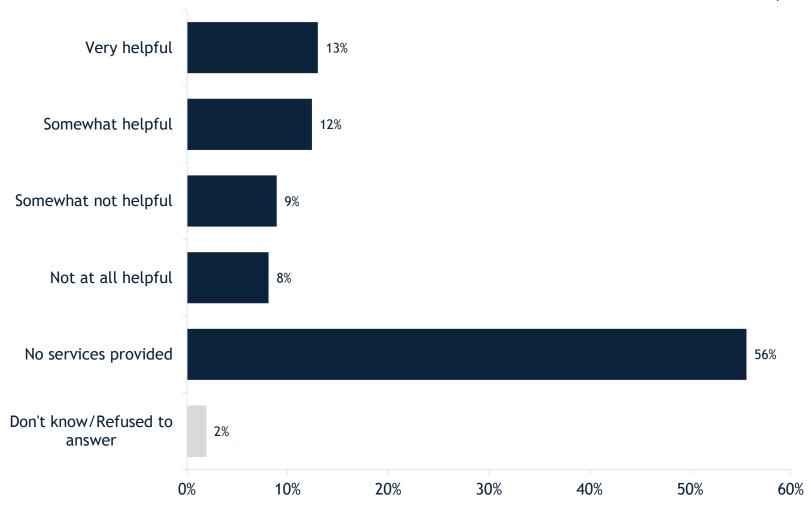
How has their experience been so far?

(Among respondents who said that they have members of their households currently living or working abroad, n=731)



When you or they returned to Niger, how would you rate the services you received from the government to help you resettle in Niger?

(Among respondents who declared having been abroad and returned to Niger or having members of their household who have lived or worked abroad and returned, n=468)

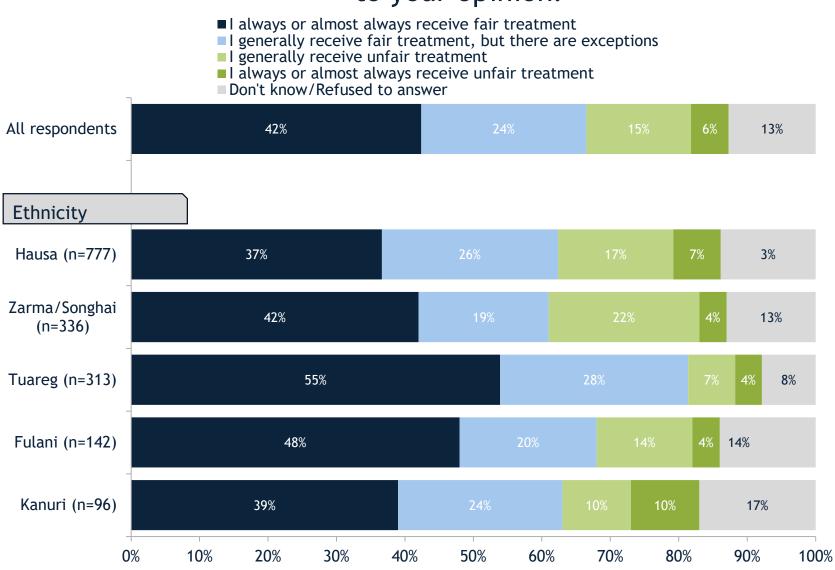


Violent Extremism

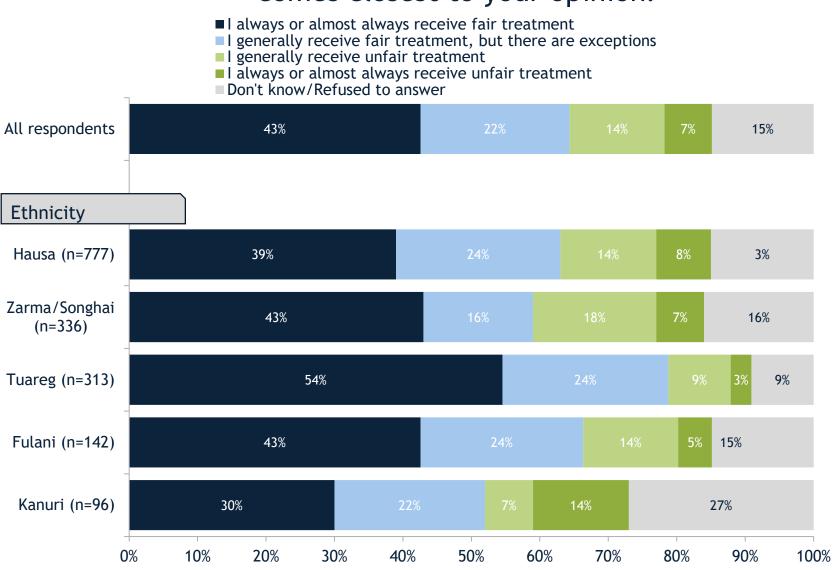


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Thinking about how you are treated in interactions with government authorities, which of the following statements about comes closest to your opinion?

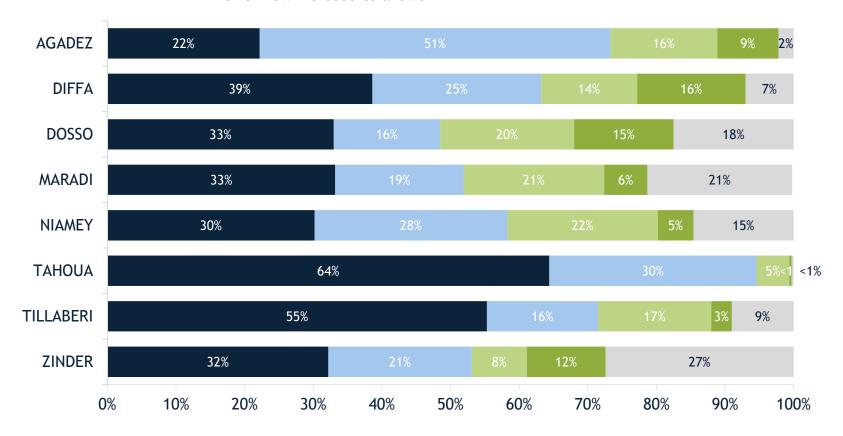


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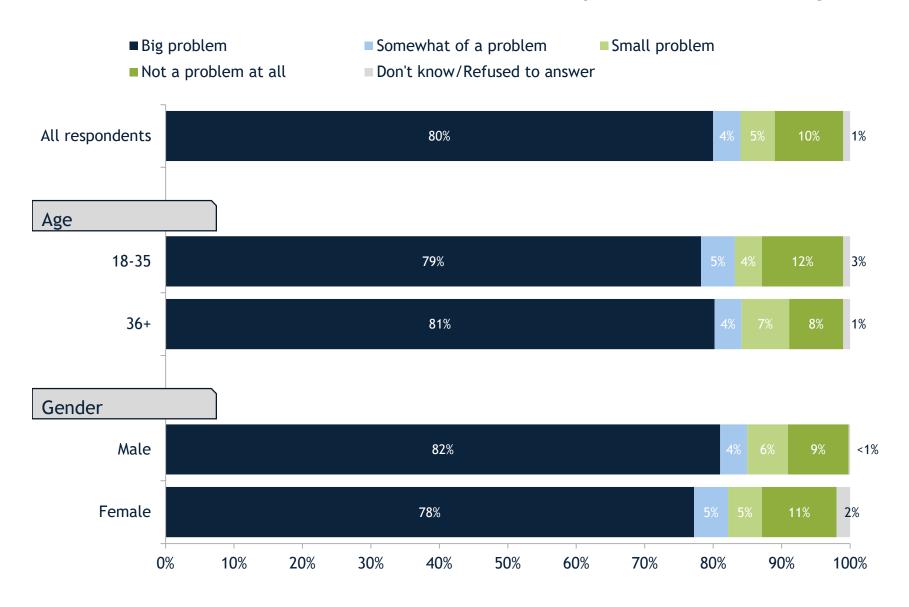


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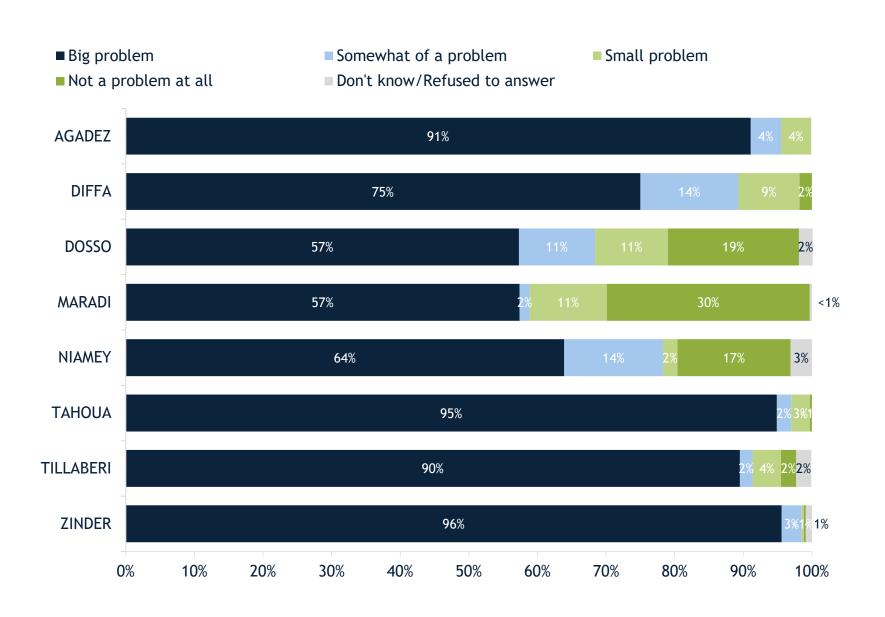
- I always or almost always receive fair treatment
- I generally receive fair treatment, but there are exceptions
- I generally receive unfair treatment
- I always or almost always receive unfair treatment
- Don't know/Refused to answer



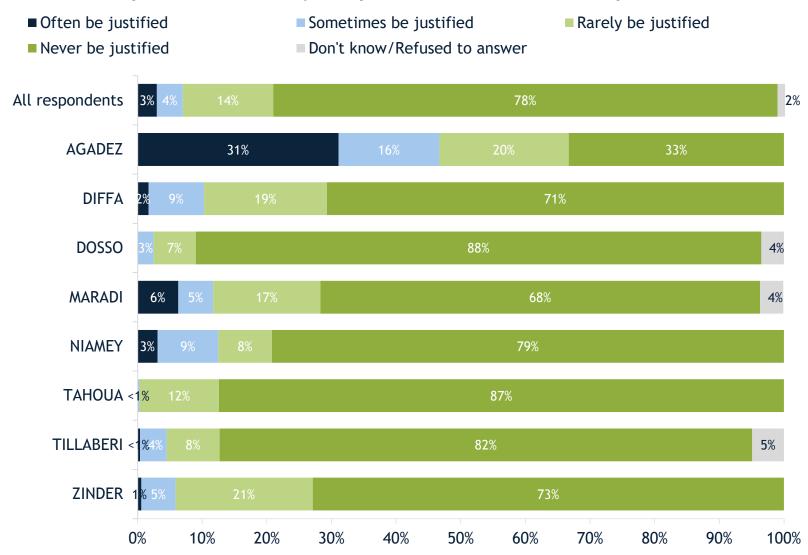
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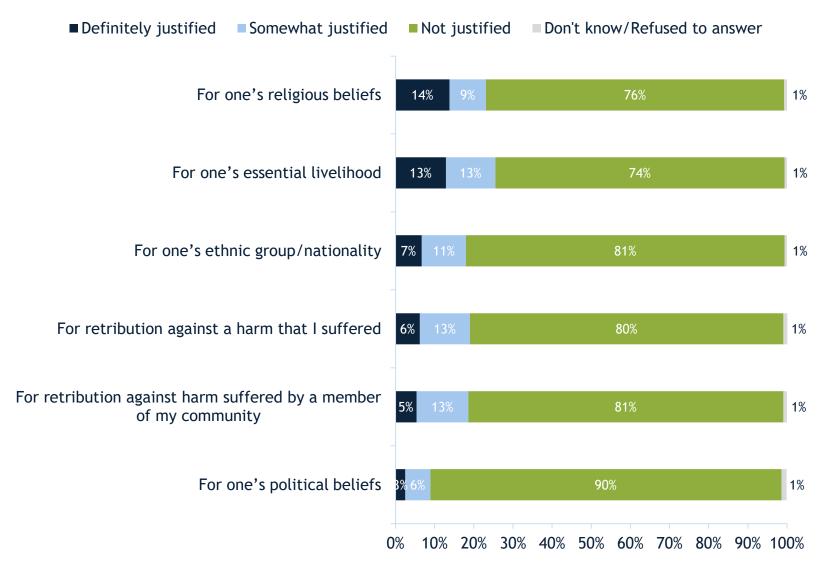
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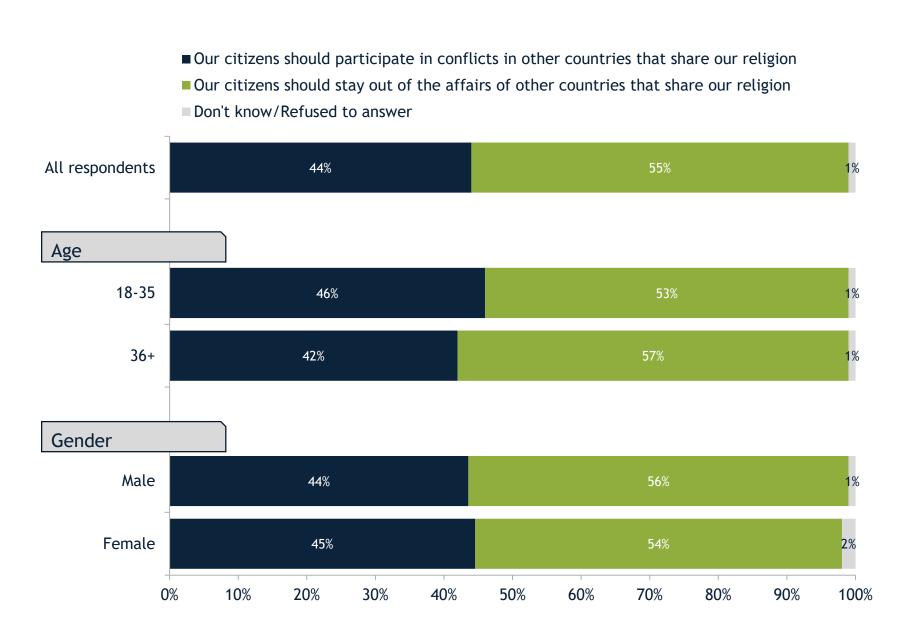
Some people think using physical violence can be justified in order to further a political, social or religious cause. Other people believe that, no matter what the reason, physical violence can never be justified. Do you personally feel that this kind of violence can often be justified, sometimes be justified, rarely be justified, or never be justified?



Now I would like to discuss under what circumstances you think it is justified to use physical violence. For each of the examples below, would you say that it is definitely justified, somewhat justified, or not justified at all?

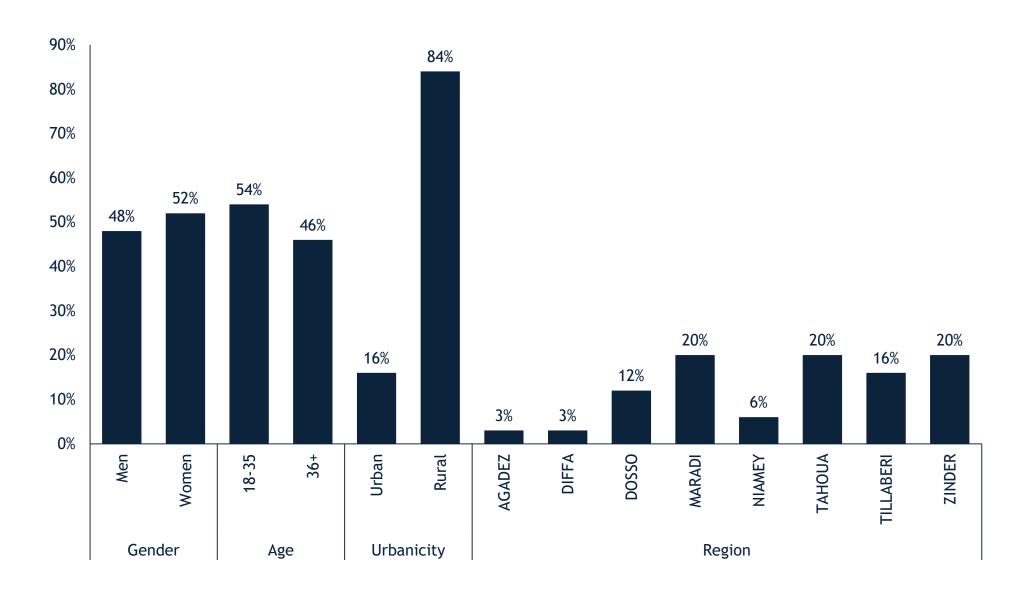


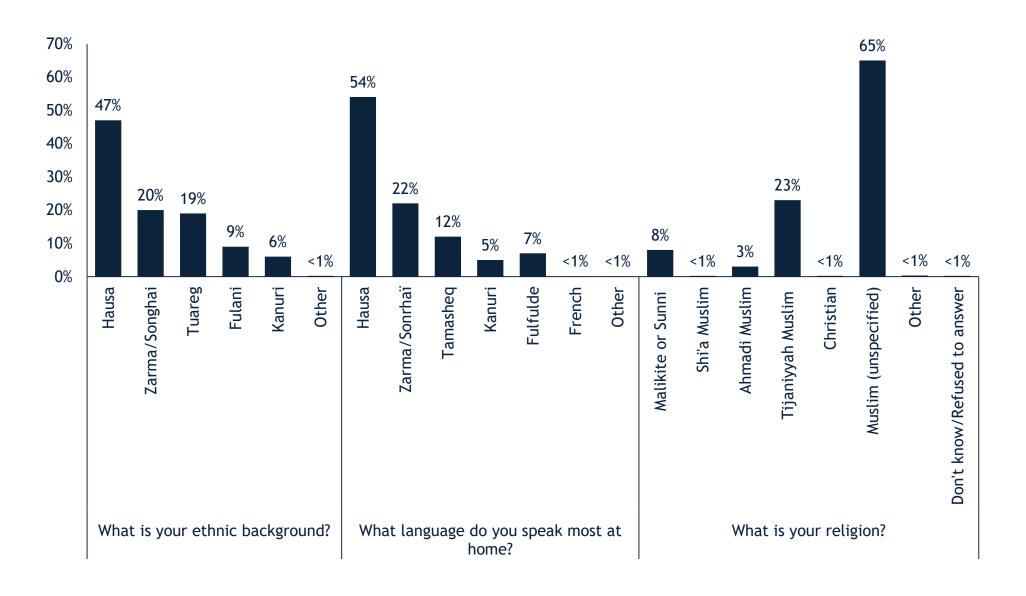
Which of these two views is closest to your own?

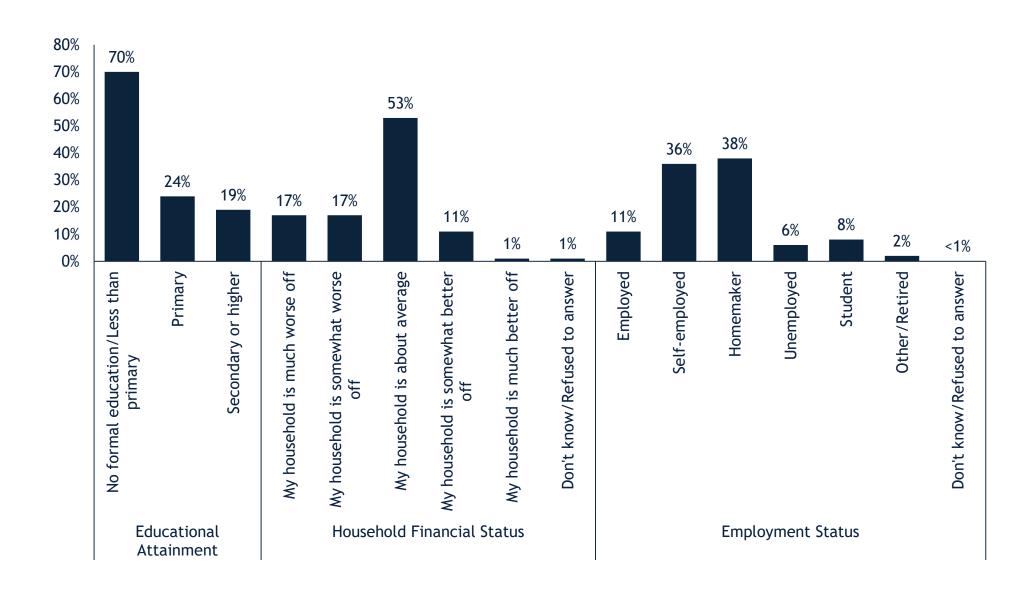




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