Public Opinion Survey
Residents of Ukraine

September 7-21, 2015

International Republican Institute

Detailed Methodology

- The survey was conducted by Rating Group Ukraine on behalf of the International Republican Institute.
- Data was collected throughout Ukraine (except the occupied territories of Crimea, Donetsk and Luhansk *oblasts*) between September 7-21, 2015, through face-to-face interviews at respondents' homes.
- The sample consisted of 1,200 permanent residents of Ukraine aged 18 and older and eligible to vote. It is representative for the general population by age, education, region and size of the settlement. In addition, 633 respondents were also surveyed from the Zakarpattia region. Please refer to the next slide for information on how the Zakarpattia polling was conducted.
- Multistage probability sampling method was used with random route and next birthday selection procedures.
    - Stage one: 25 official administrative regions of Ukraine were defined (24 regions of Ukraine and Kyiv). All regions of Ukraine were surveyed except the occupied territories of Crimea, Donetsk and Luhansk.
    - Stage two: selection of the settlements – towns and villages. Towns were grouped into subtypes according to the size
        - City more than one million residents
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    - 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.
- Response rate was 63.9 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.

Detailed Methodology

Zakarpattia Oversample

- Data was collected throughout the Zakarpattia region between September 7-21, 2015, through face-to-face interviews at respondents' homes.
- The sample consisted of 633 permanent residents of the Zakarpattia region, aged 18 and older and eligible to vote. It is representative of the general population by age, education, region and size of the settlement.
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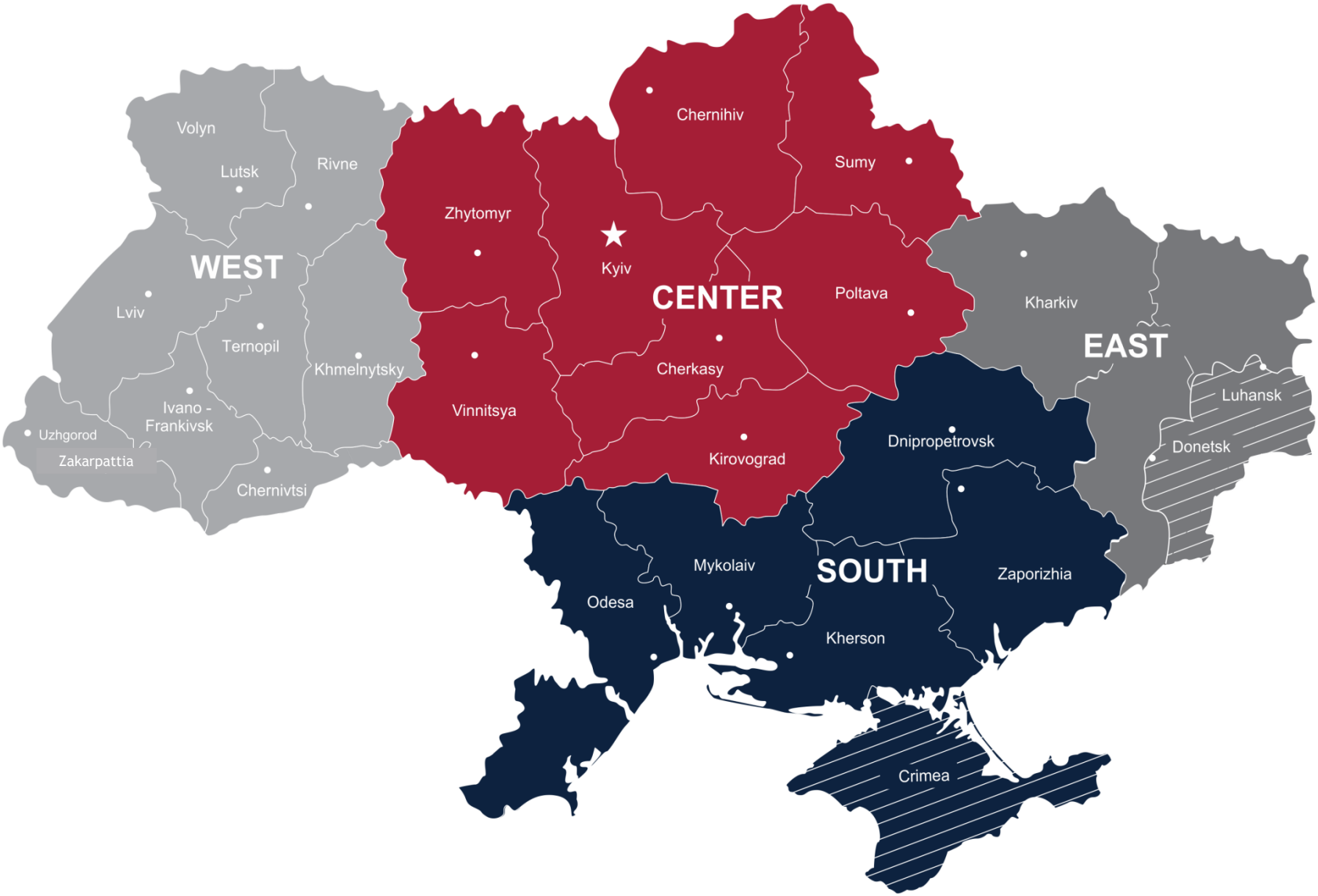
Geographical Key



Due to the Russian occupation of Crimea and the ongoing conflict in eastern Ukraine, residents of the regions of Donetsk, Luhansk and Crimea were not included in this poll.

Interest is High in October 25 Local Elections

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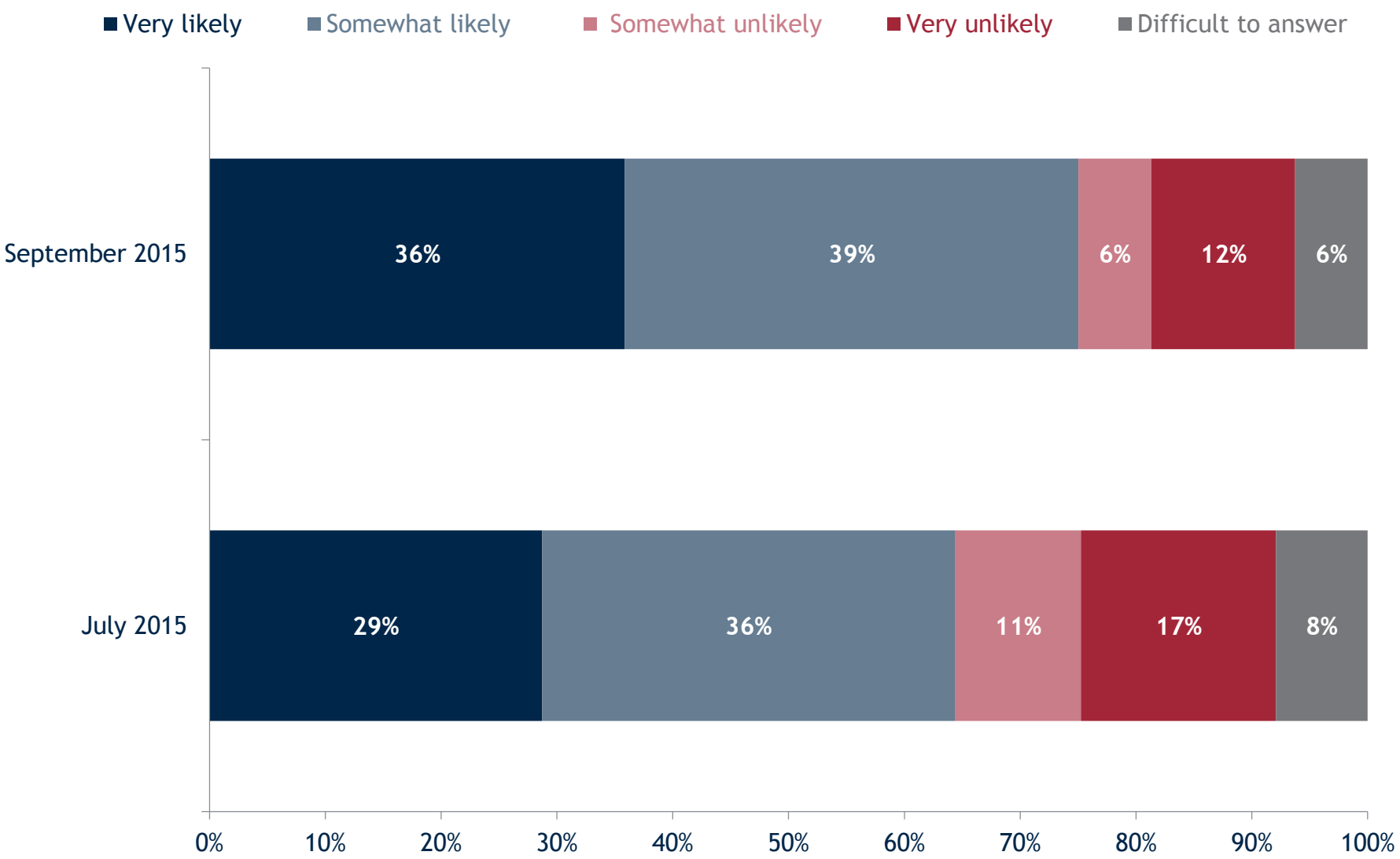

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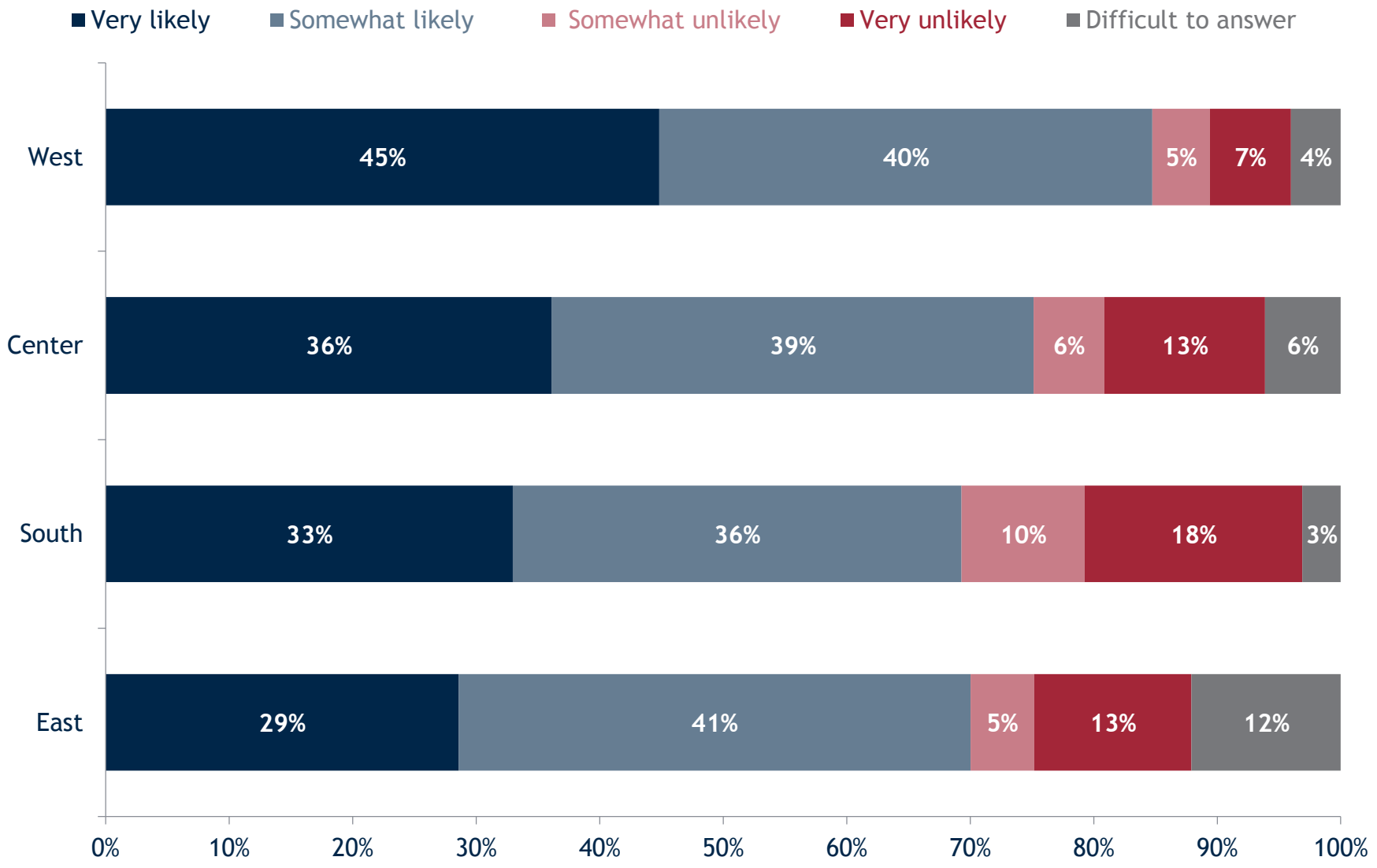

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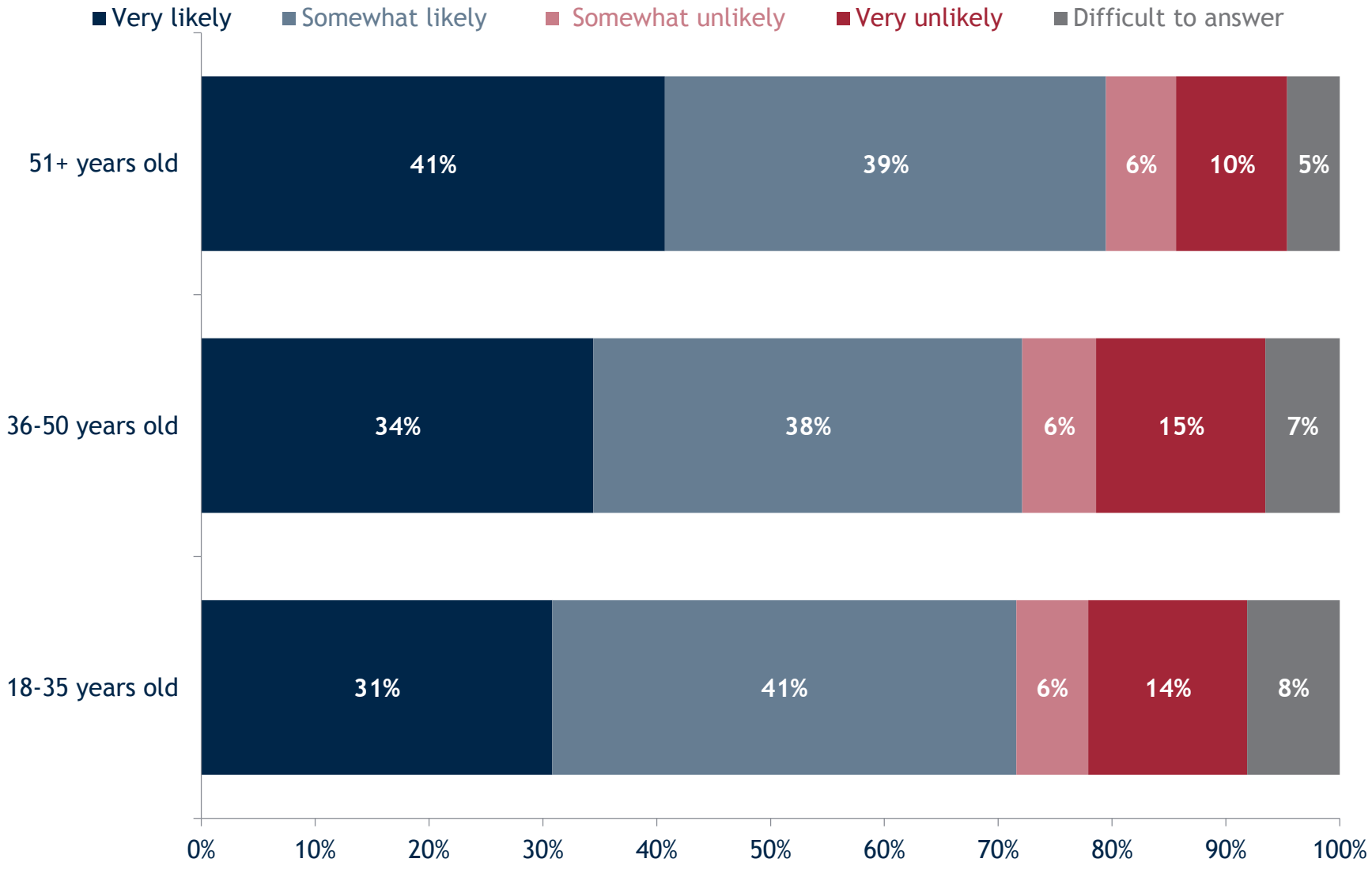

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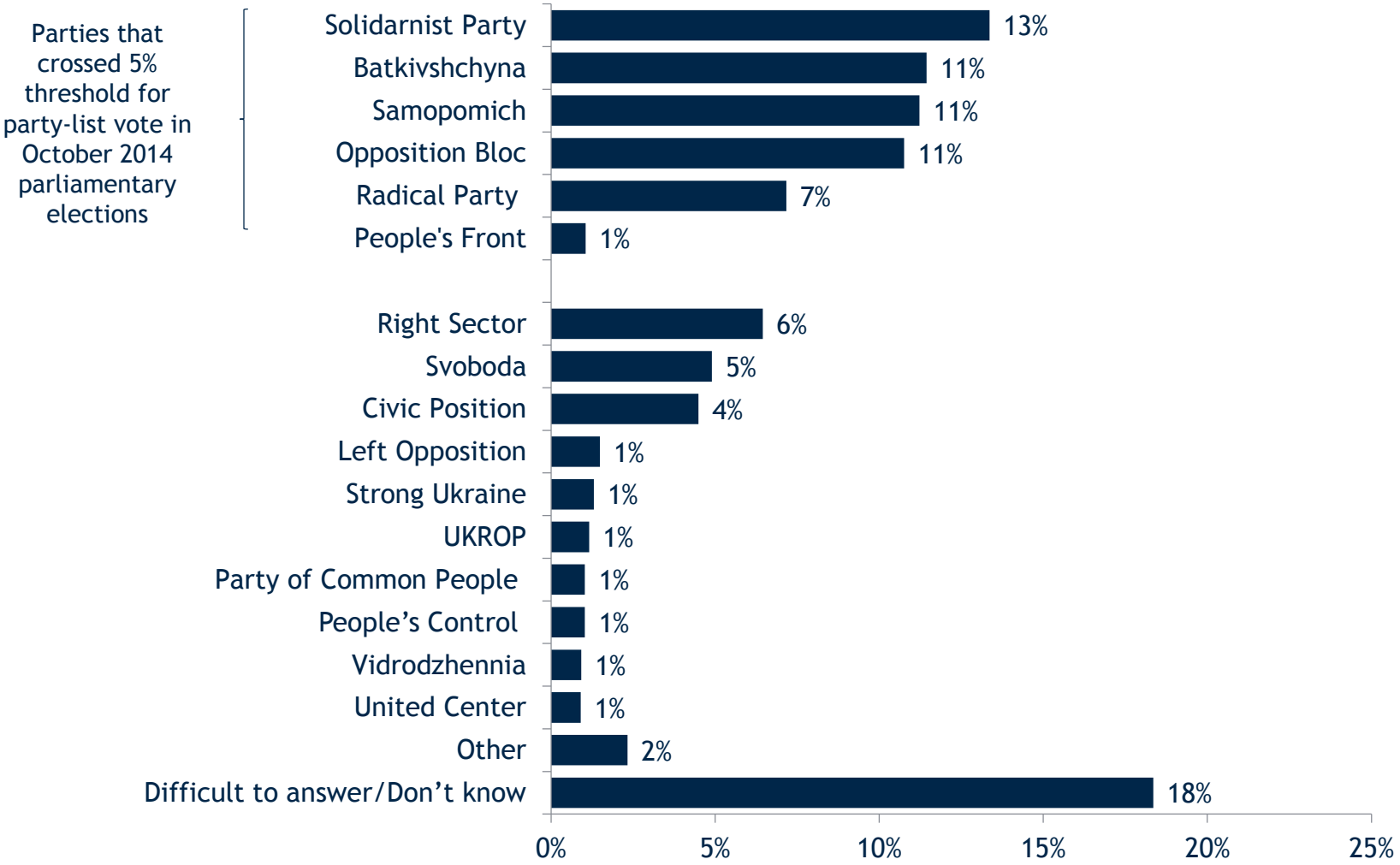
(Among Likely Voters, n=885)



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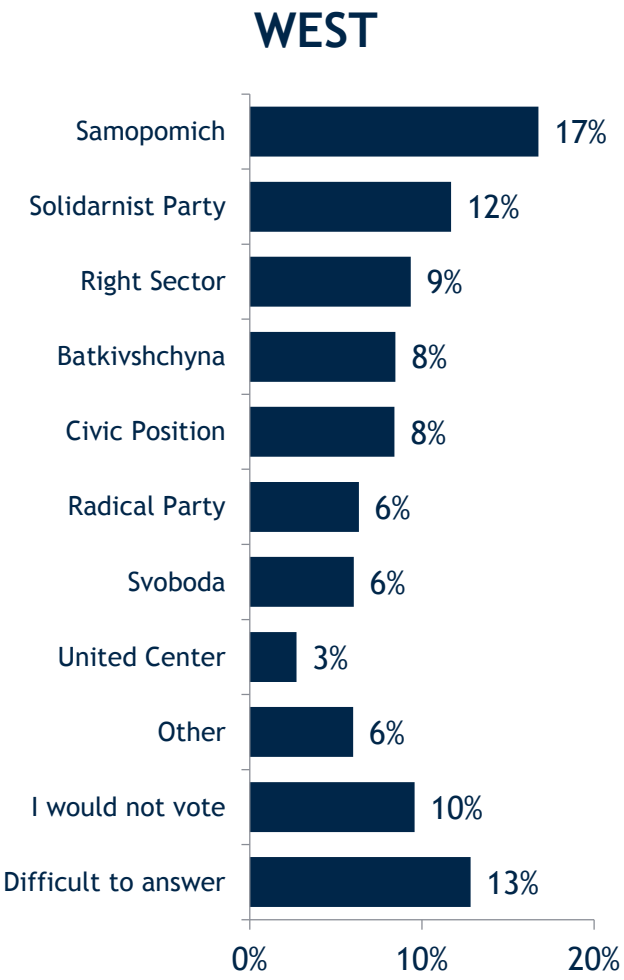

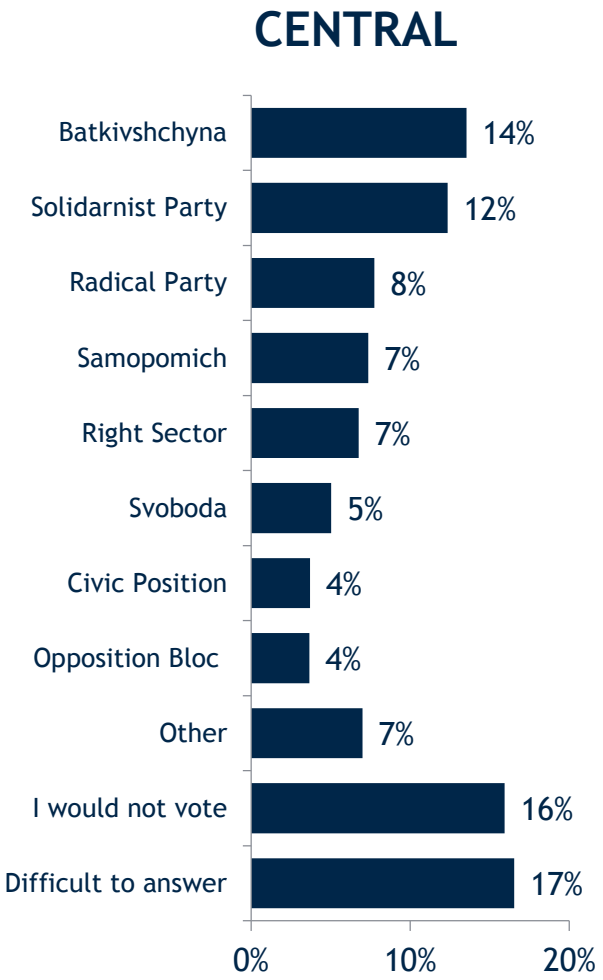

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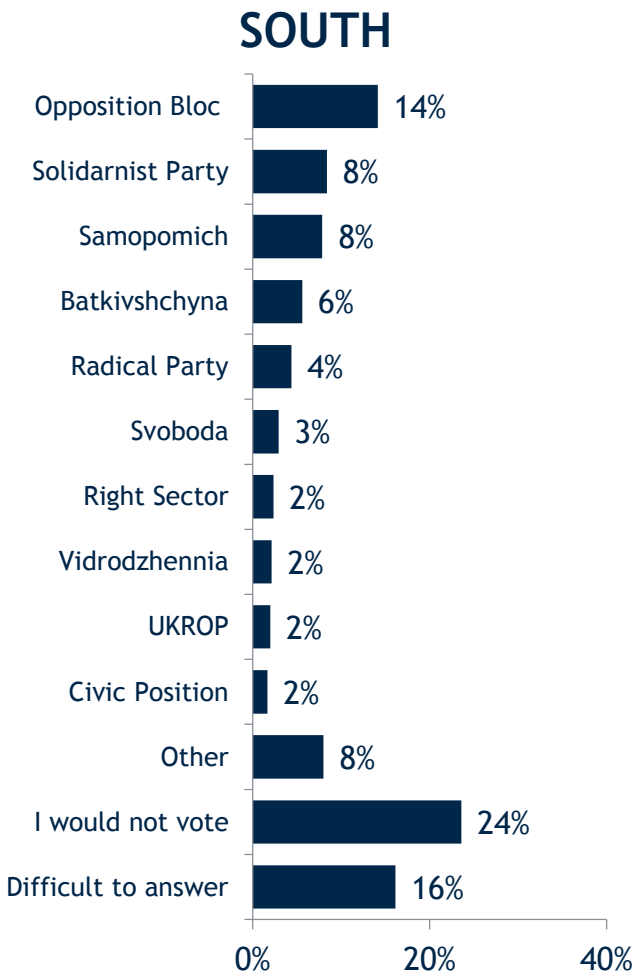
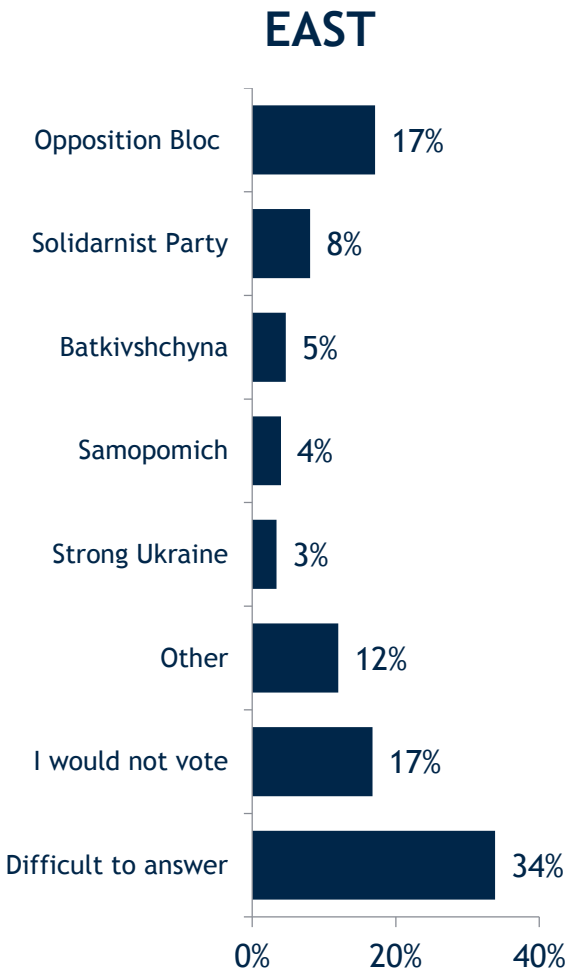
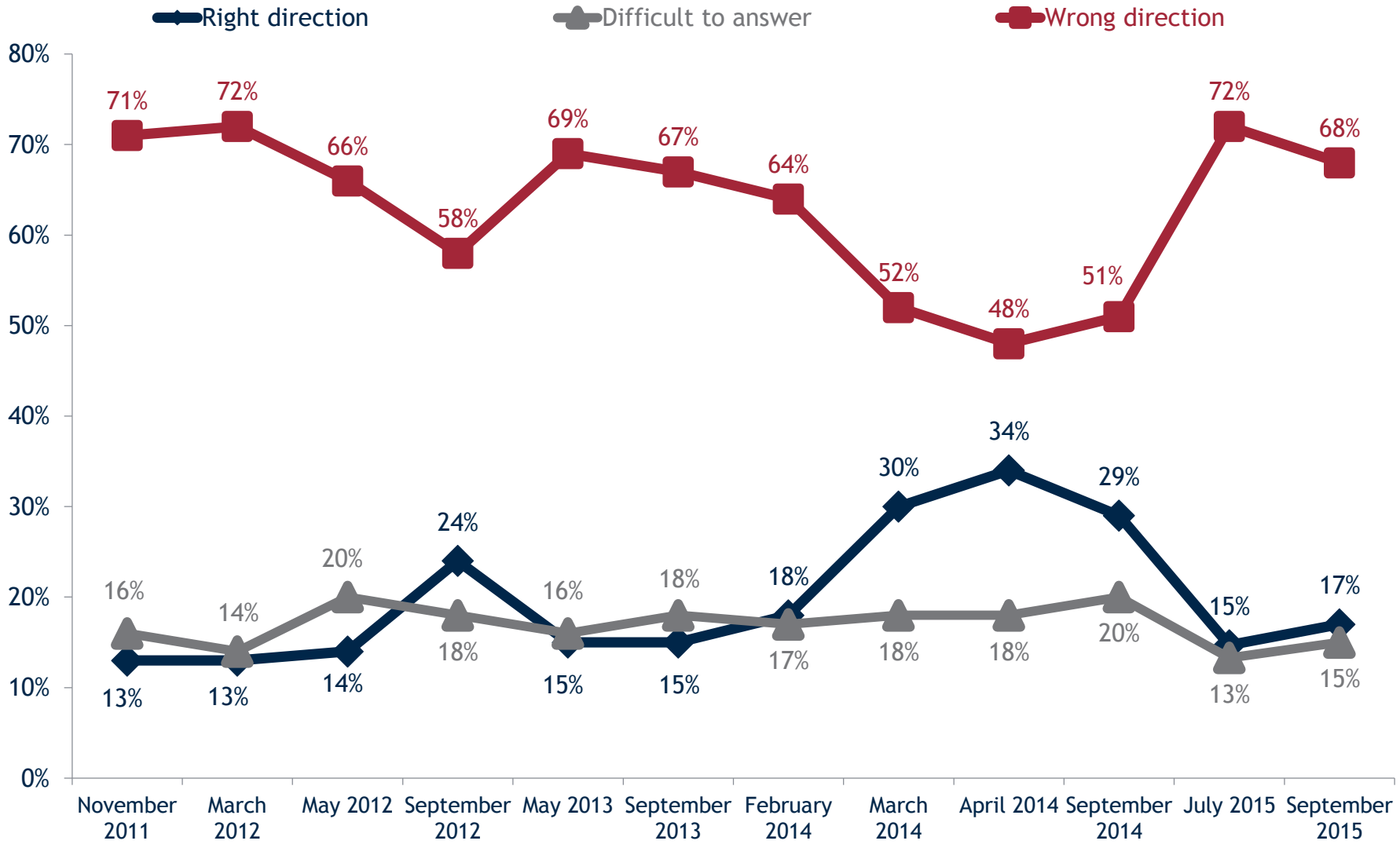


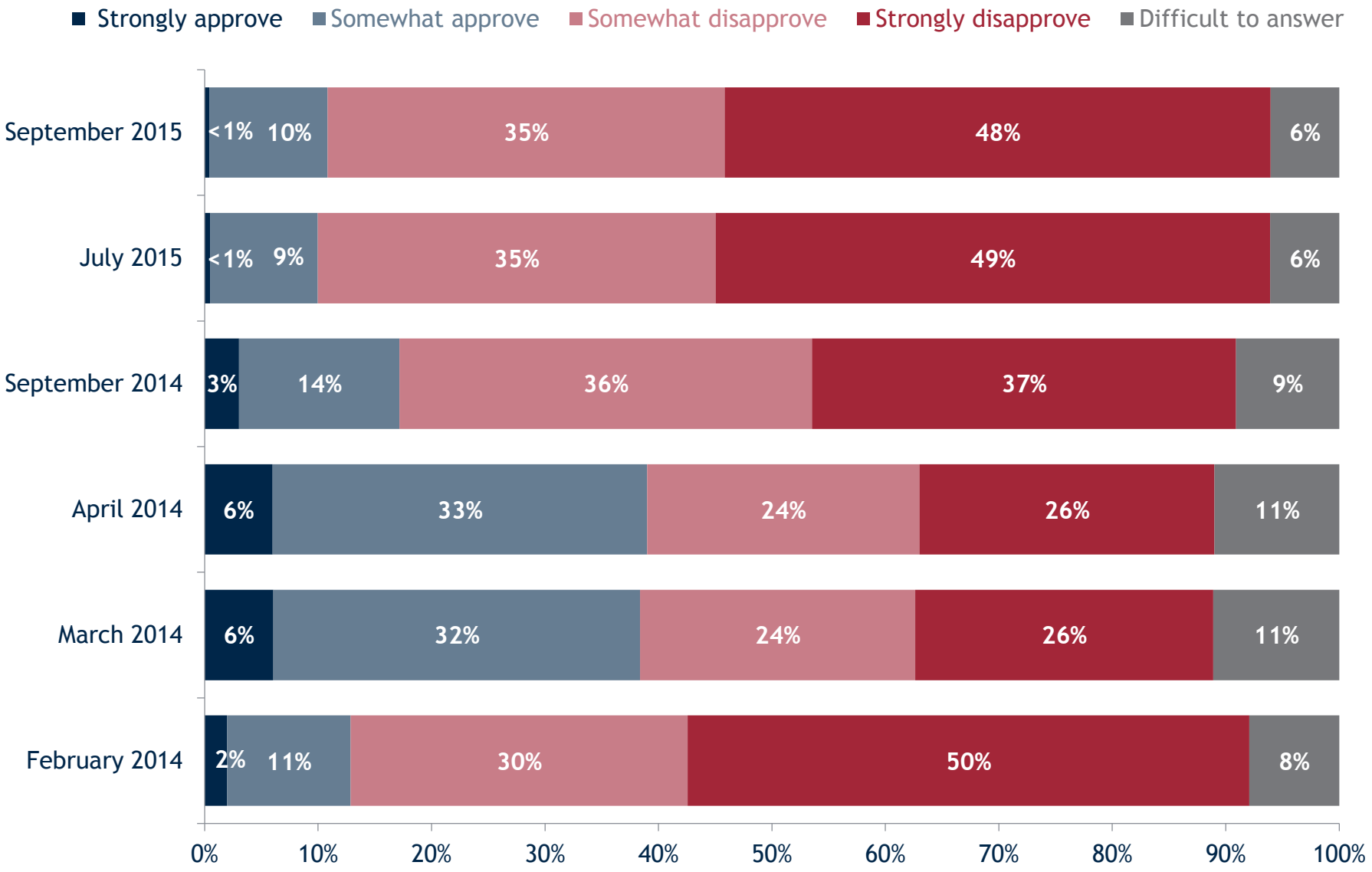


Continued Frustration with Pace of Reforms

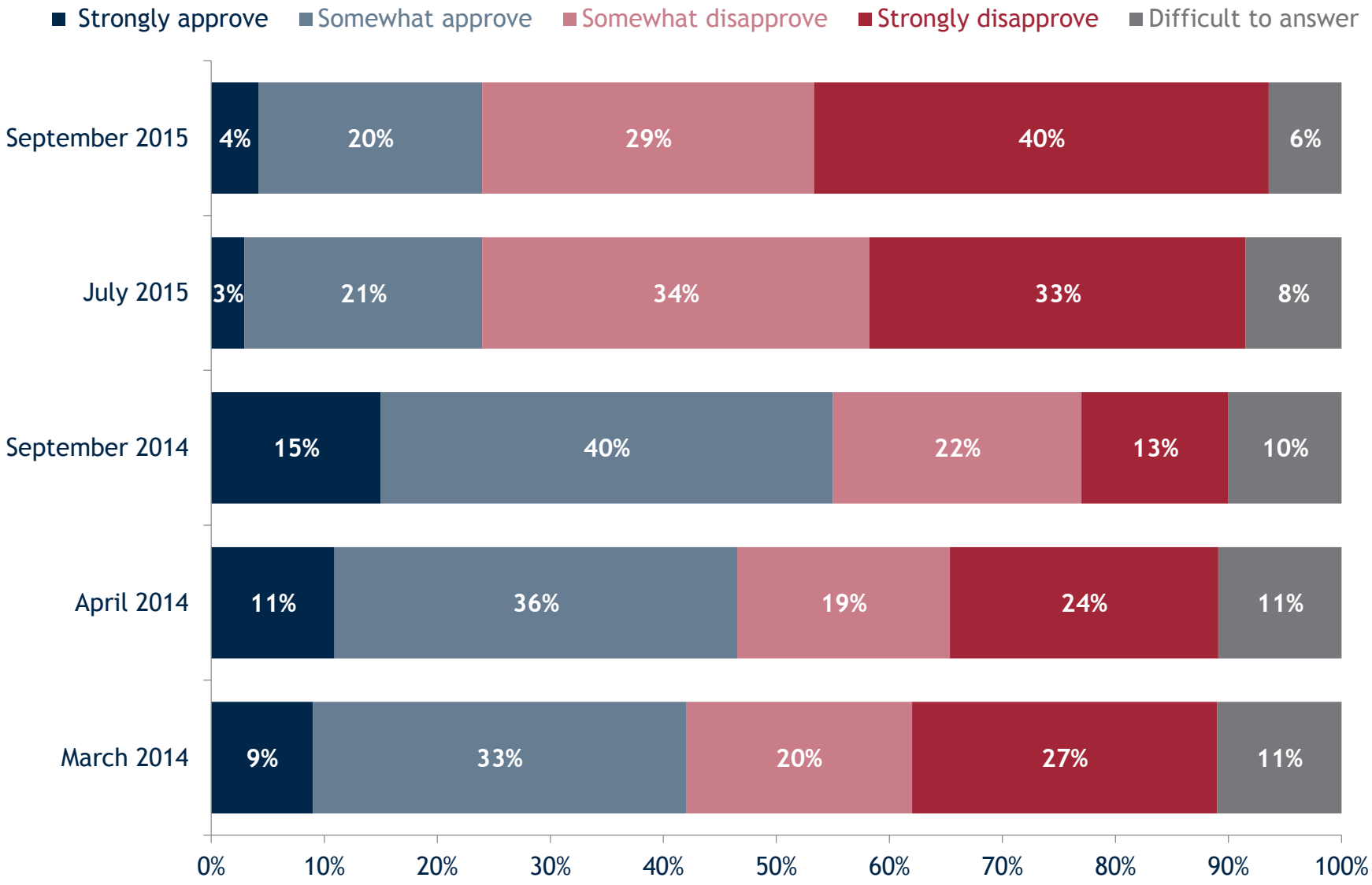
Generally speaking, do you think that things in Ukraine are going in the right direction or wrong direction?



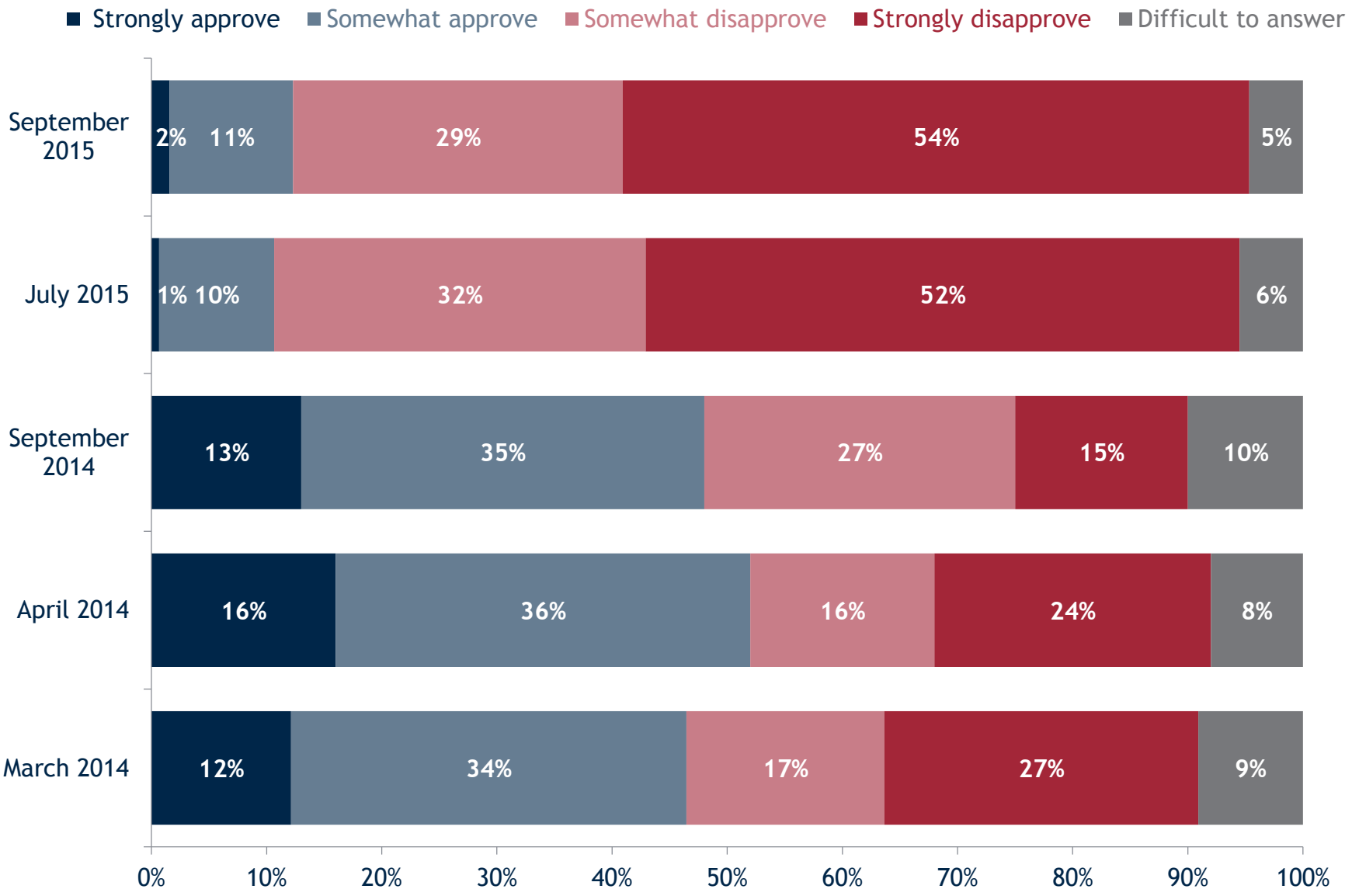
Do you approve or disapprove of the job the Parliament of Ukraine is doing?



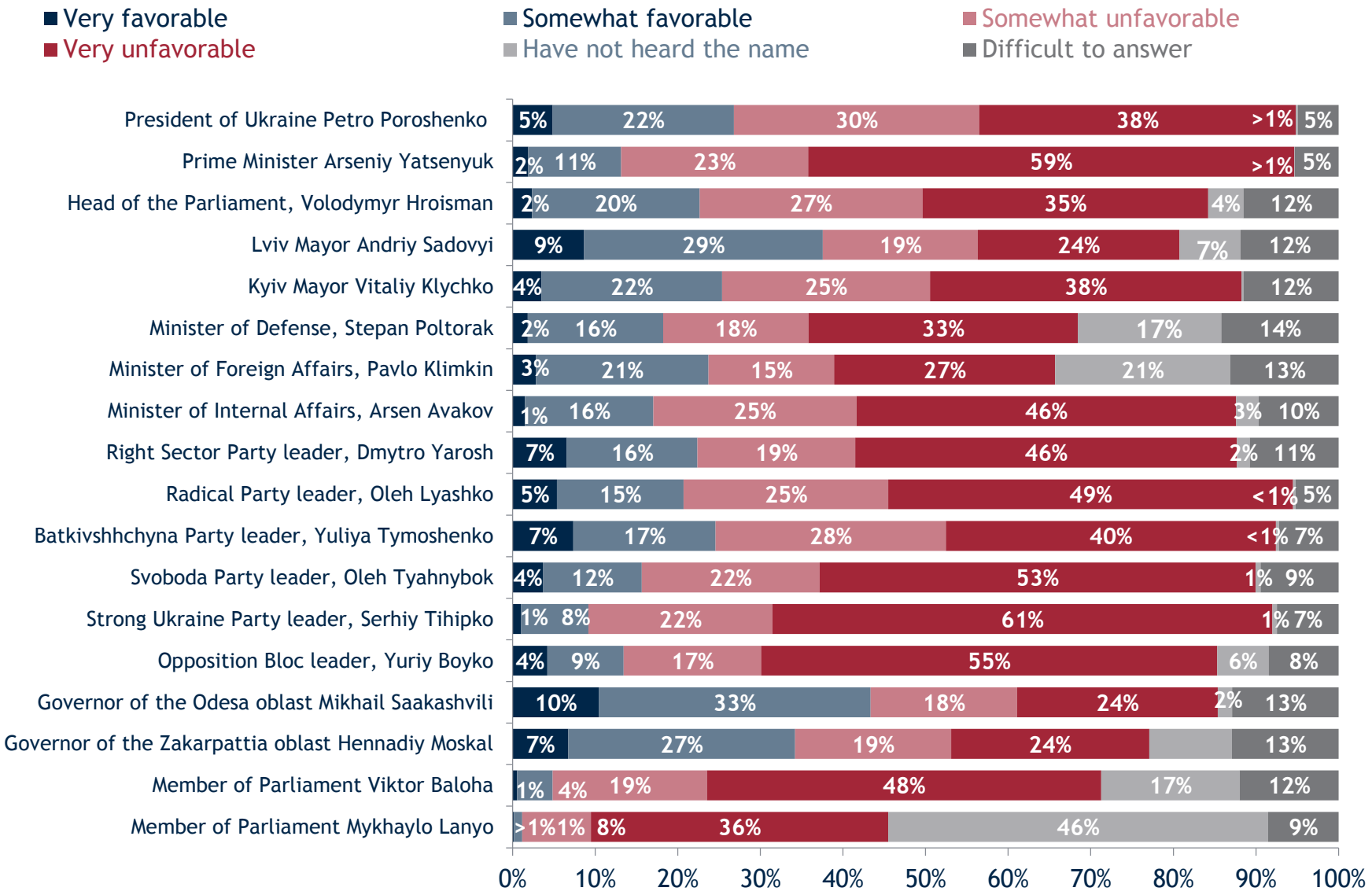
Do you approve or disapprove of the job President Petro Poroshenko is doing?



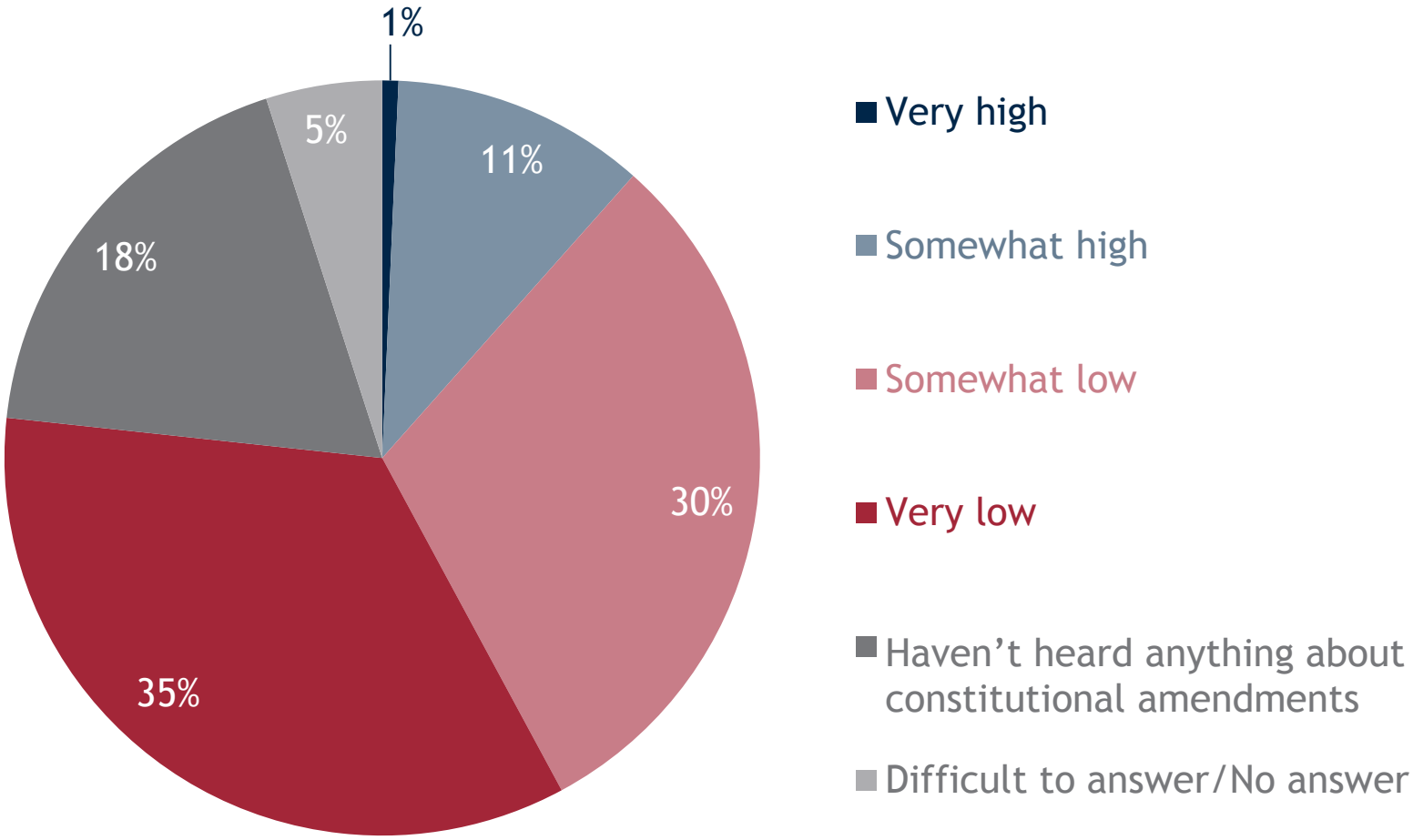
Do you approve or disapprove of the job the Cabinet of Ministers under Arseniy Yatsenyuk is doing?



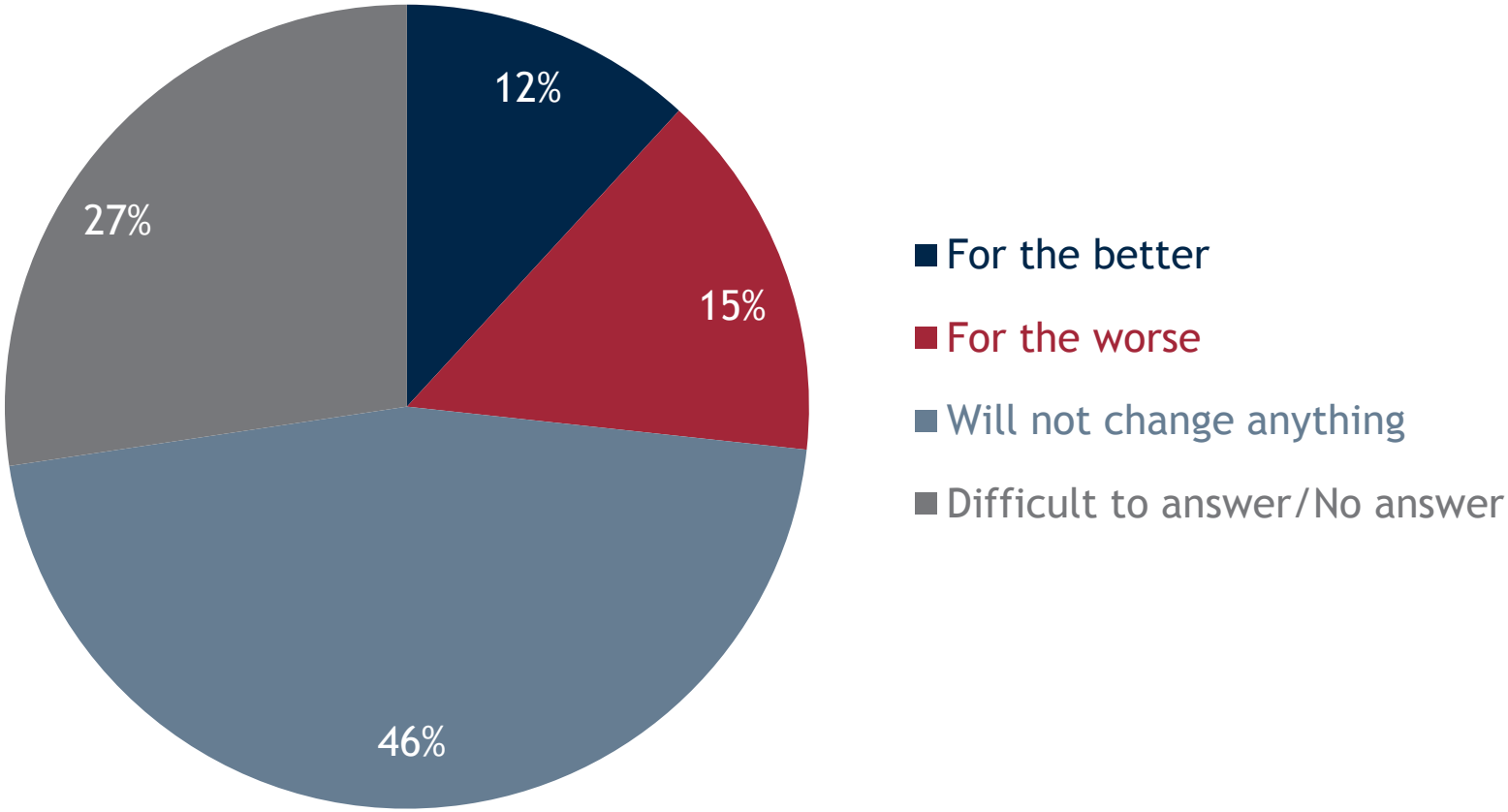
What is your opinion of each of the following Ukrainian politicians or members of the Ukrainian government?



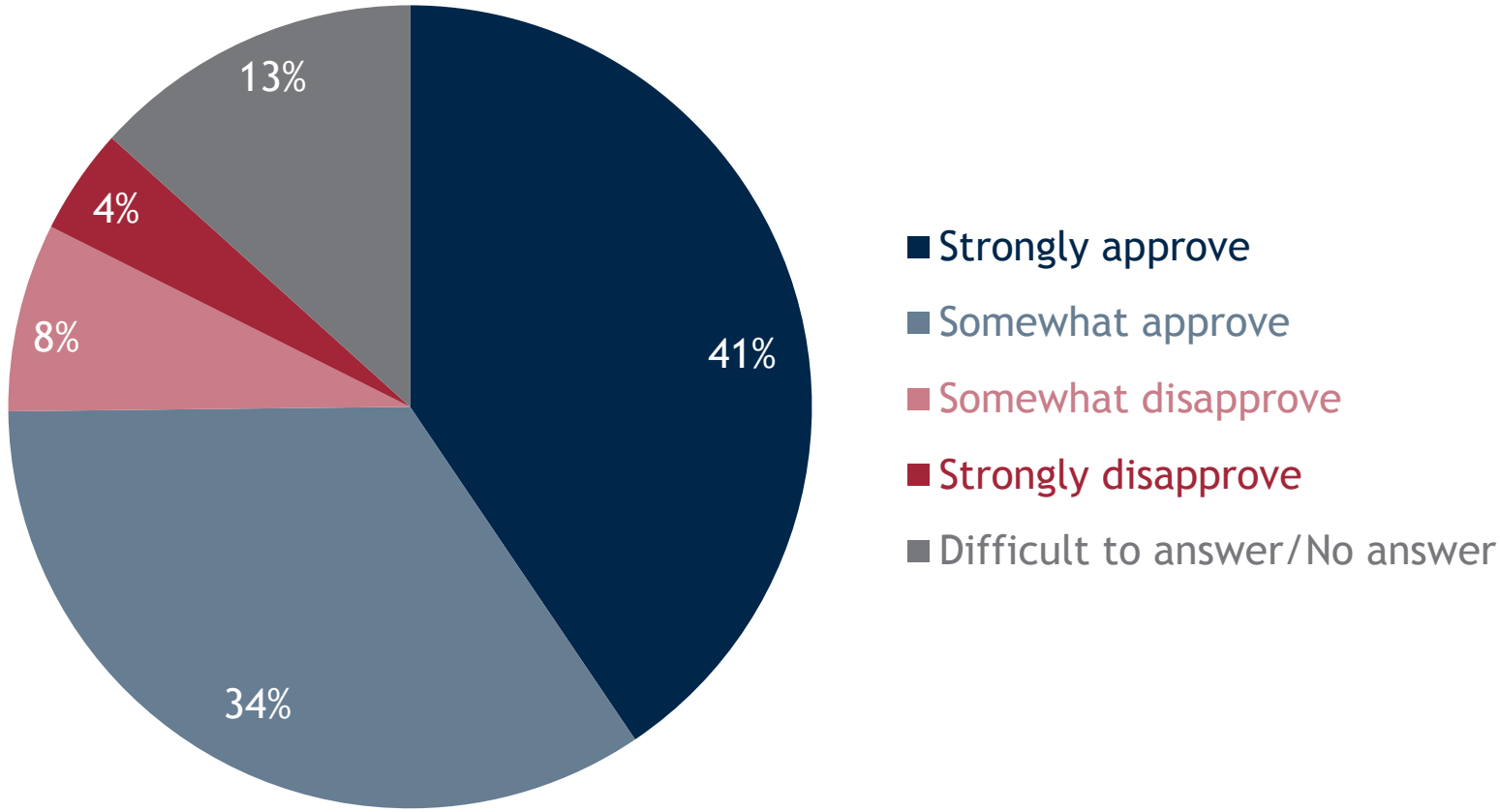
How would you evaluate your knowledge of the decentralization/local governance amendments to the constitution which were approved by the Parliament in the first reading on August 31?



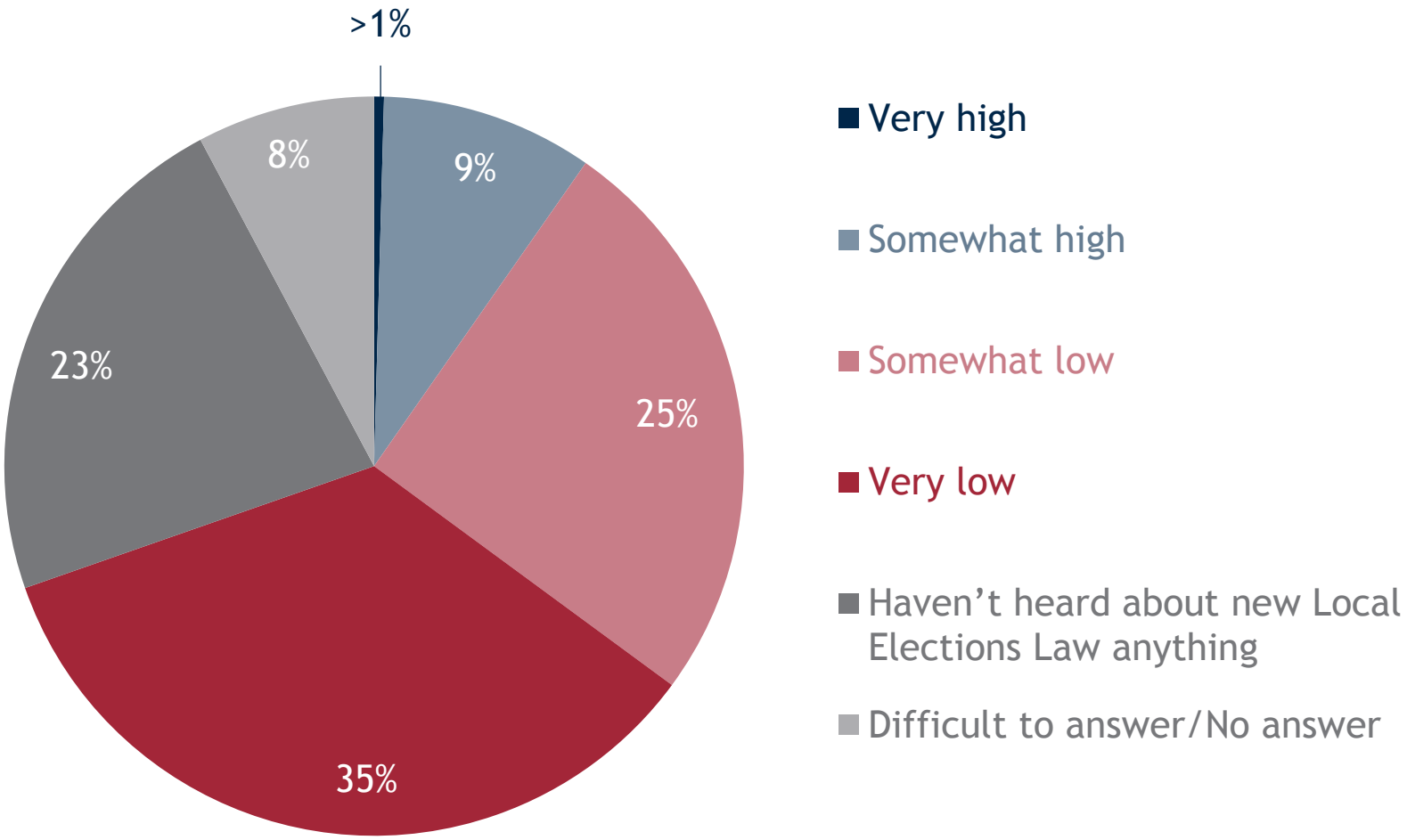
Do you think these constitutional and legal amendments on decentralization/local governance will improve or worsen the situation in Ukraine?



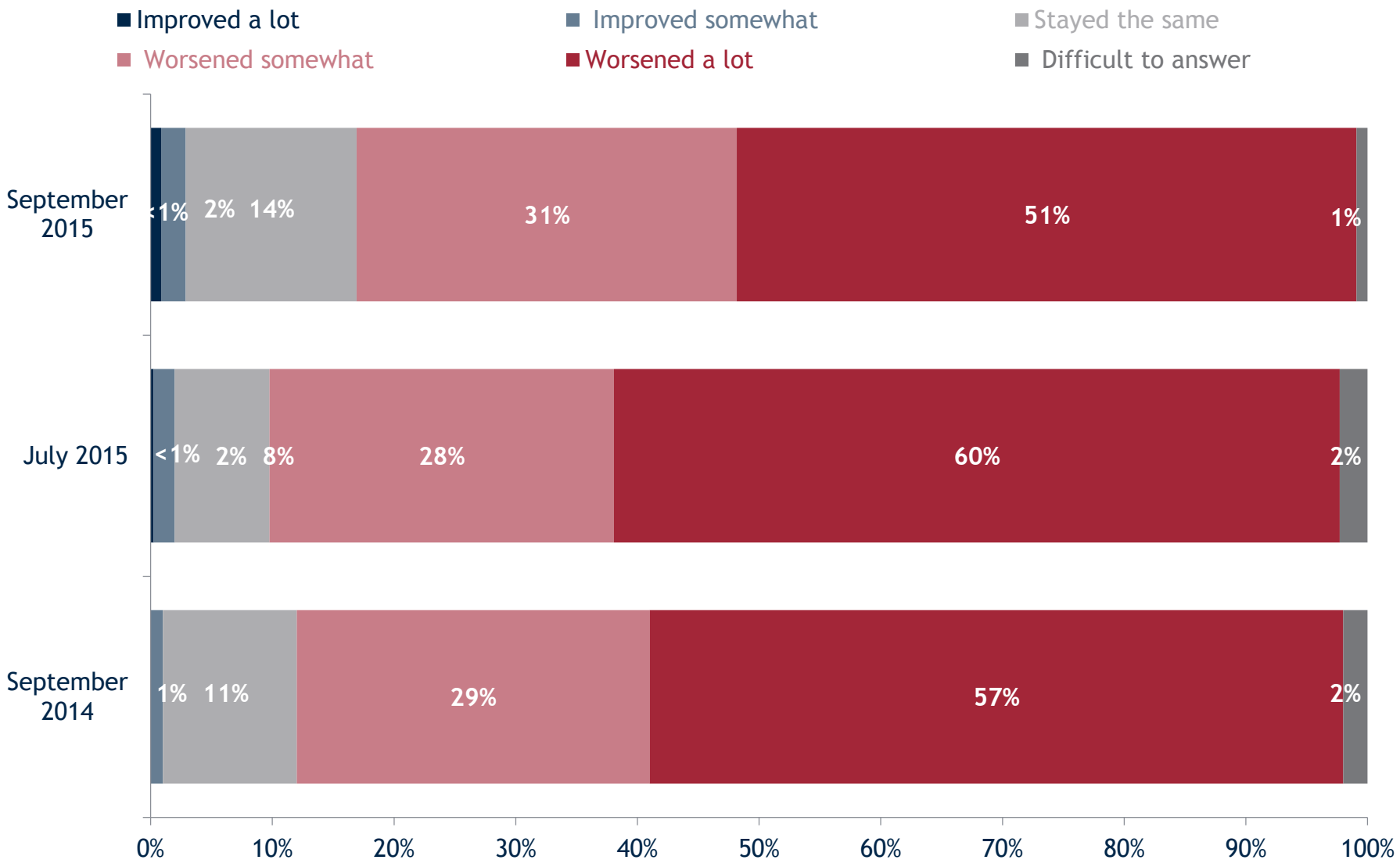
Do you approve of the introduction of new patrol police in the cities of Kyiv, Lviv and Odesa?



How would you evaluate your knowledge of the local elections law which was approved by the Parliament in July?



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



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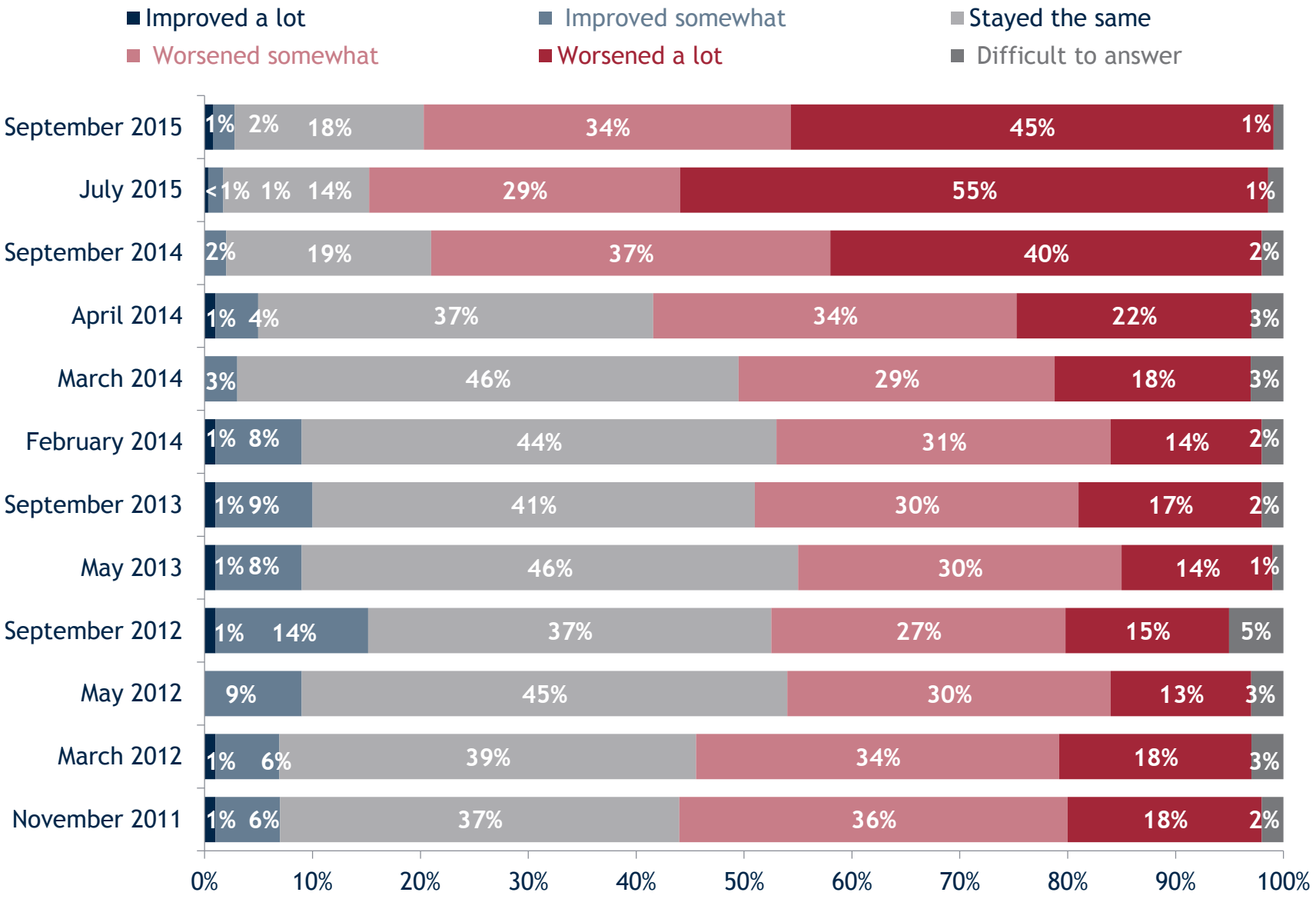
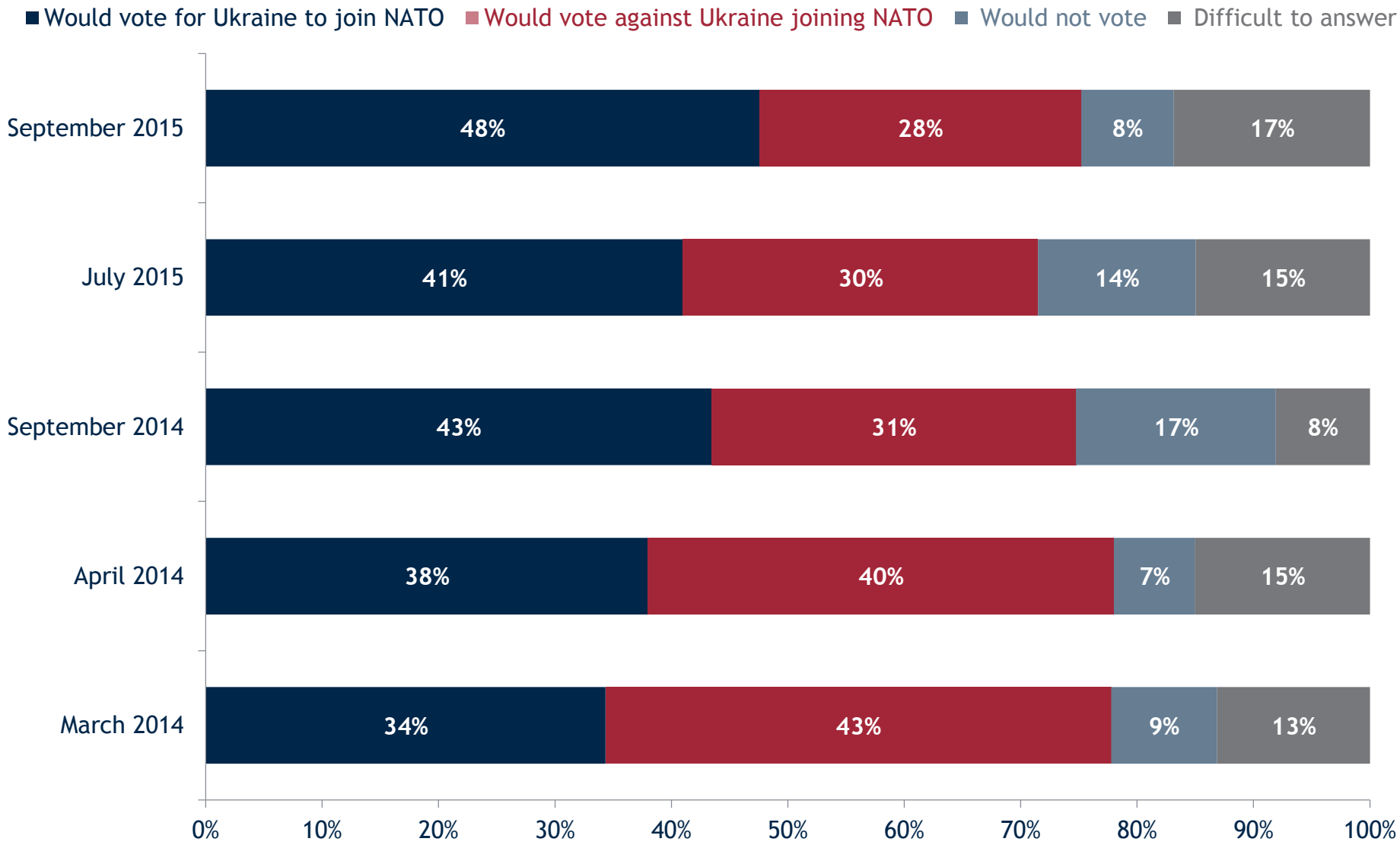
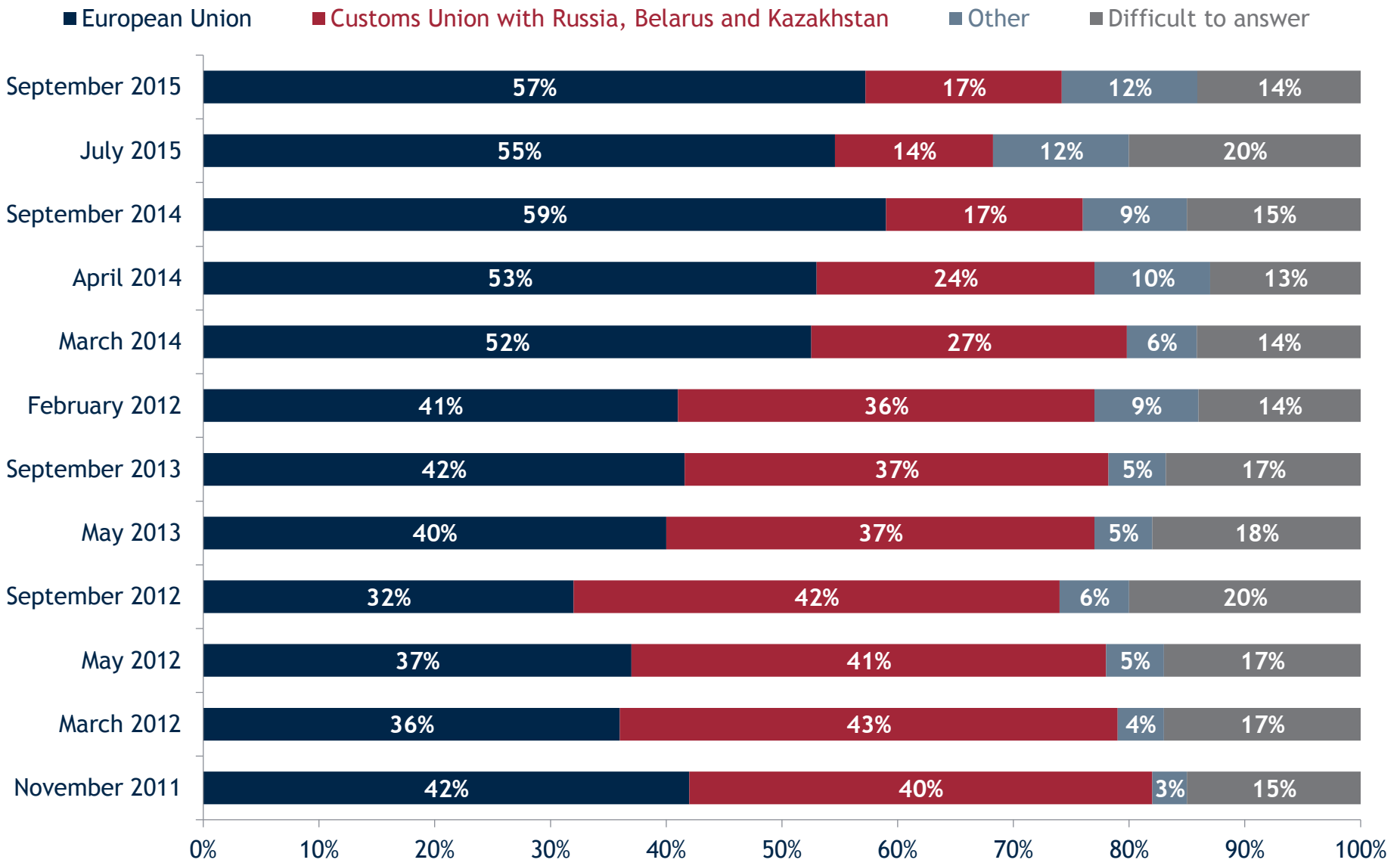


Increased Support for NATO Membership

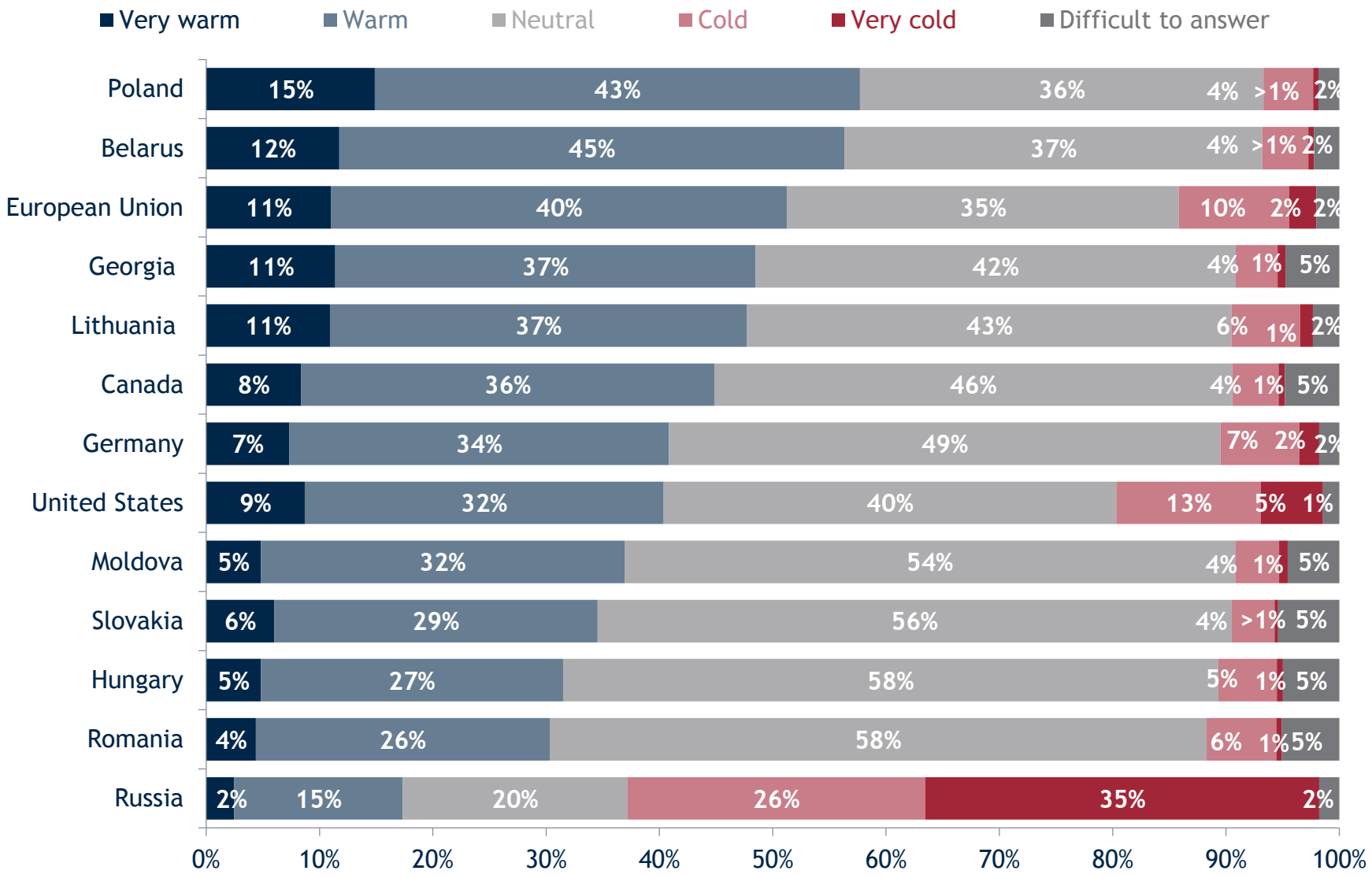
If a referendum was held today on Ukraine joining NATO, how would you vote?



If Ukraine was able to enter only one international economic union, which of the following should it be?

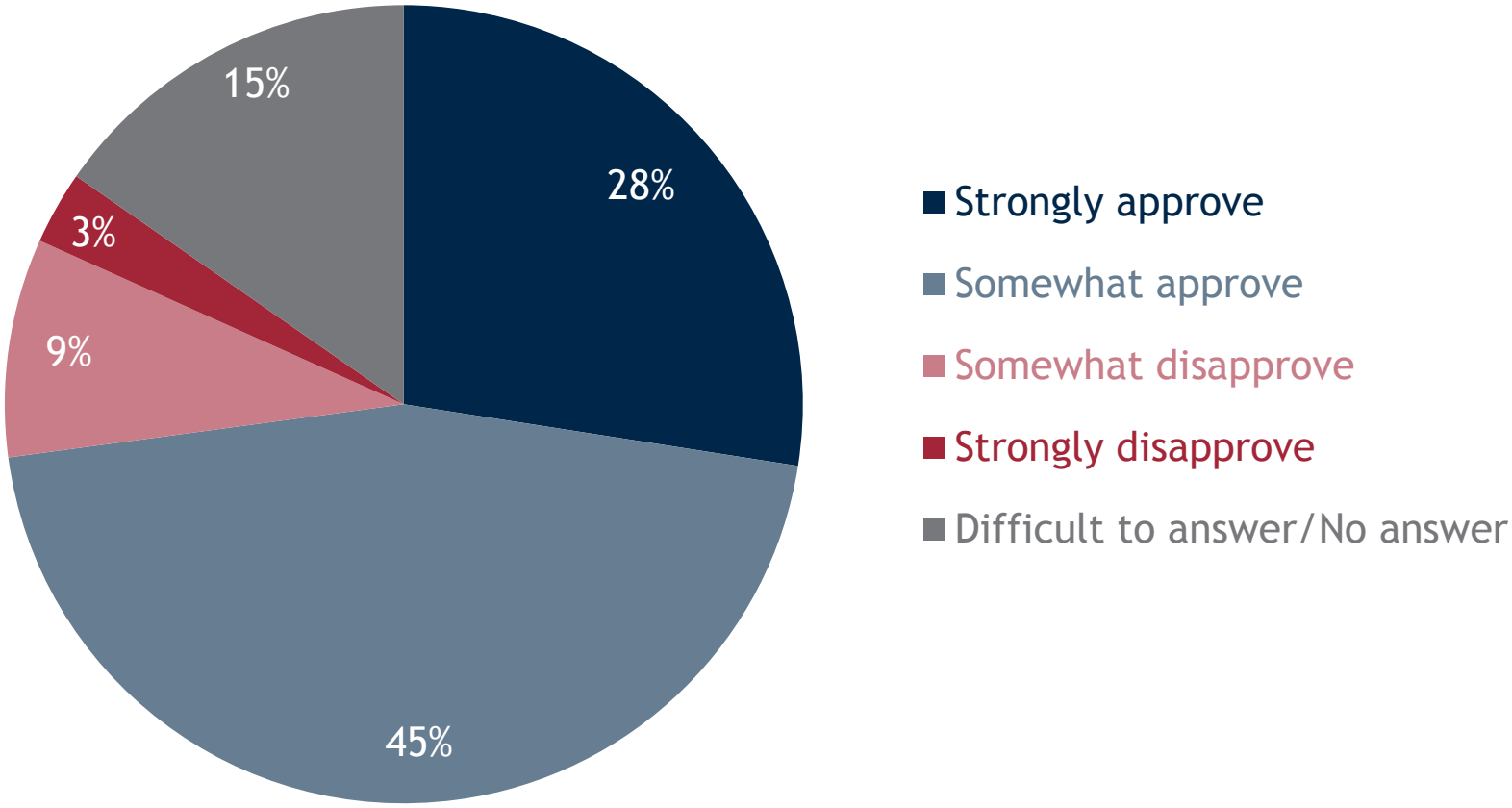


How do you evaluate your attitude toward each of the following countries?

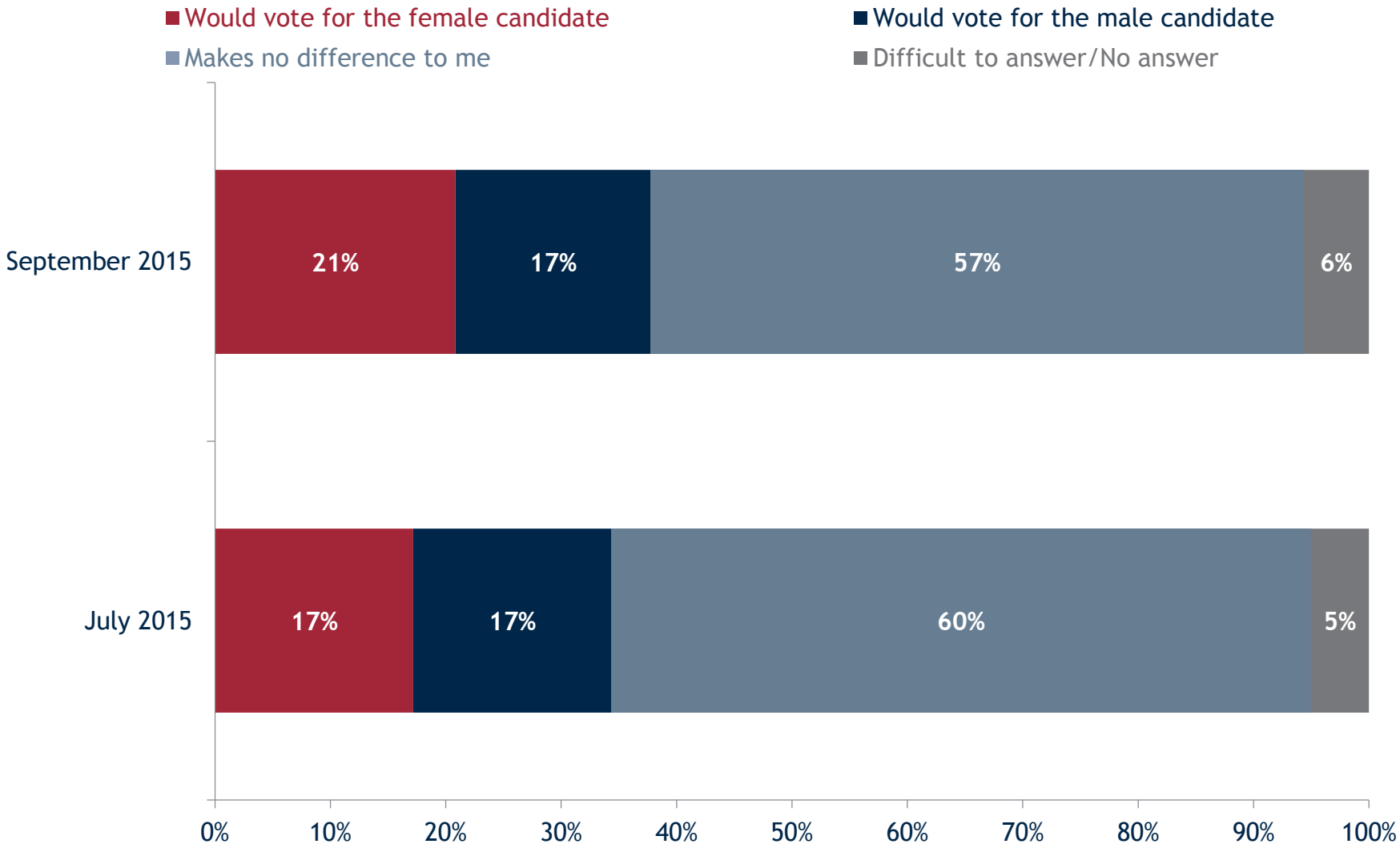


Women and Youth in Ukraine

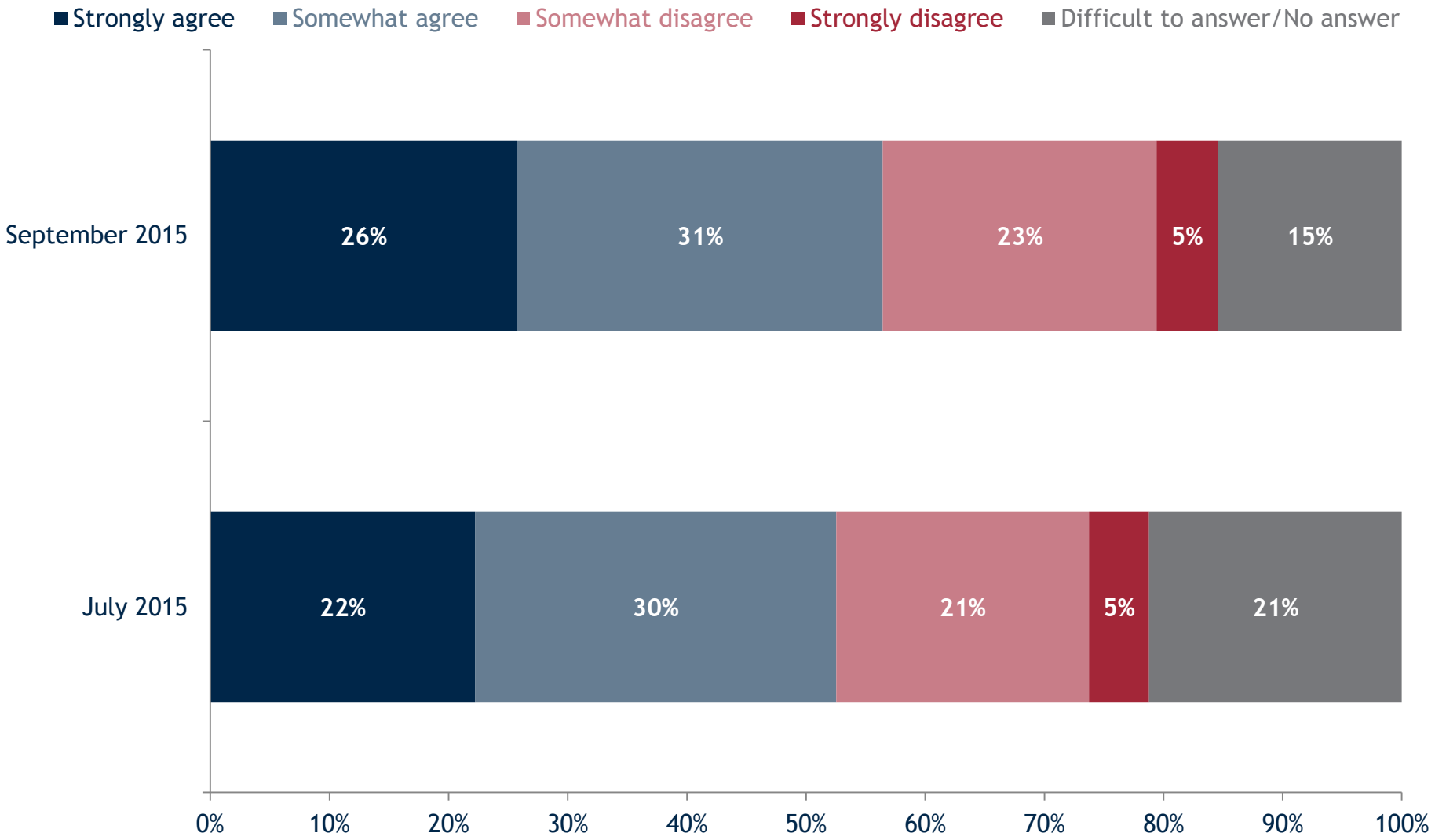
The new local election laws introduced a requirement that 30 percent of political parties' election lists should consist of women. Do you approve such decision?



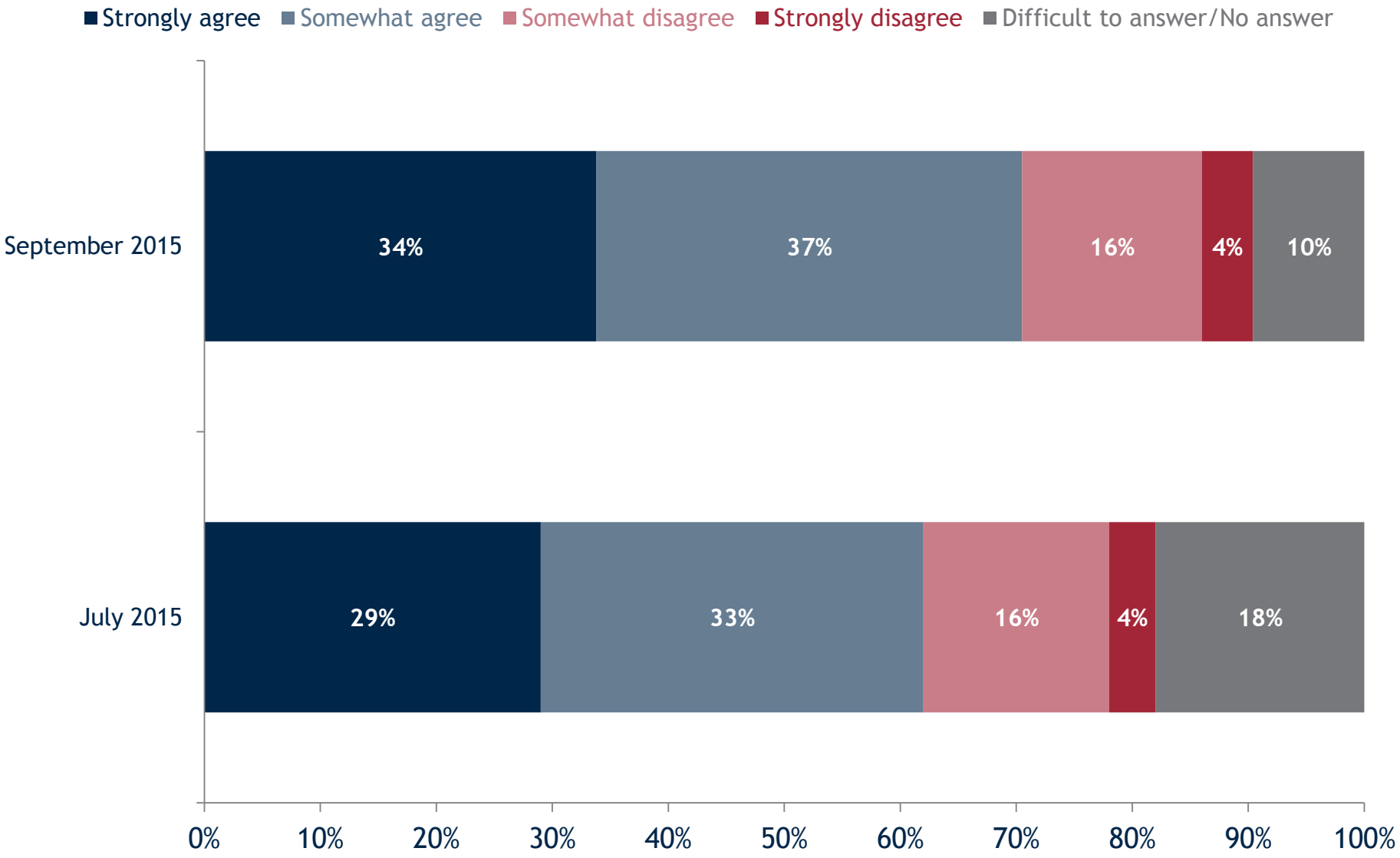
If there are two candidates running for office and they have the same qualifications aside from the fact that one is a man and one is a woman, which candidate are you more likely to support?



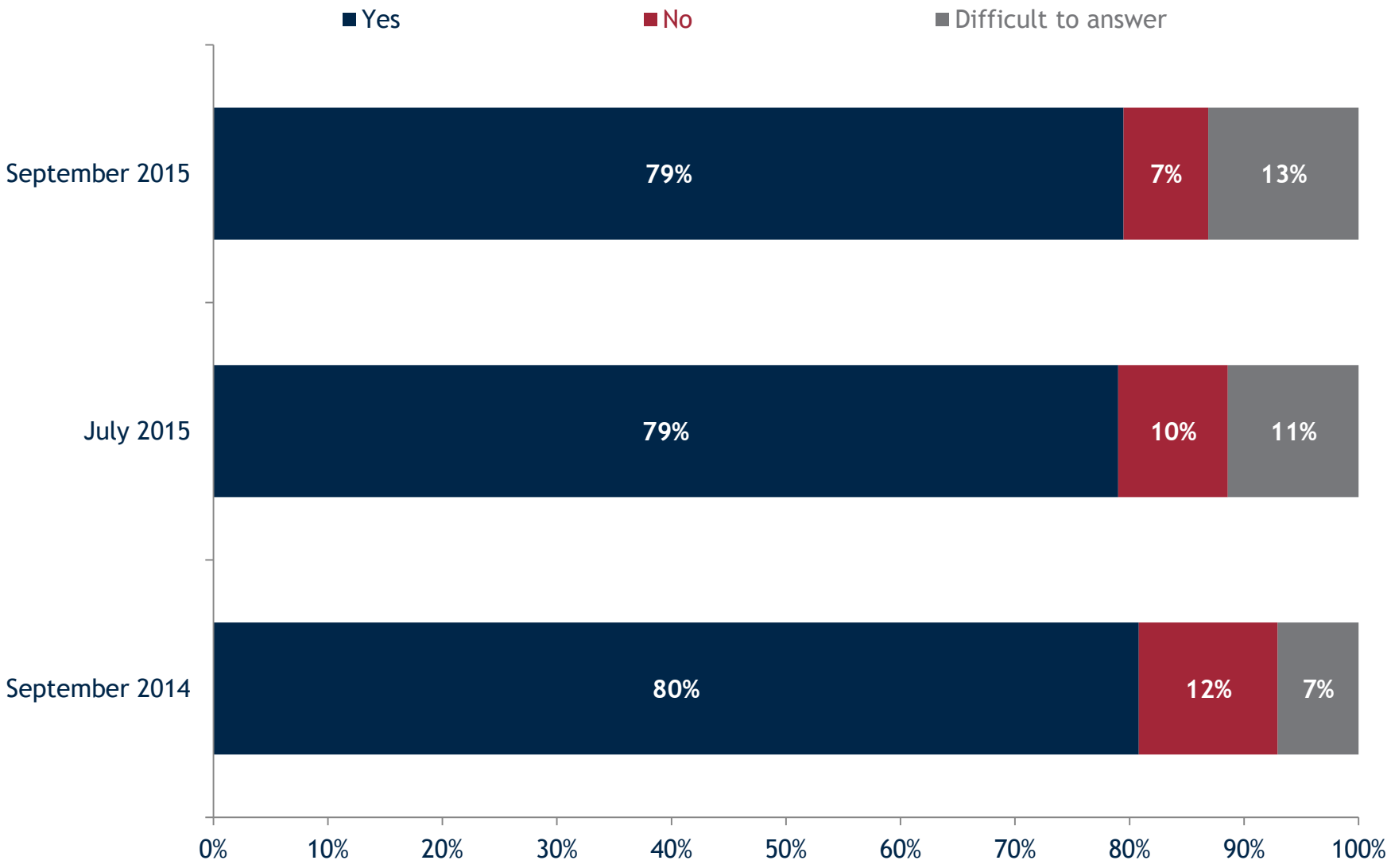
Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? "Politicians do not listen to the needs and ideas of women."



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



Should Ukrainian women serve in influential positions in the national government?



Zakarpattia Region, n=633

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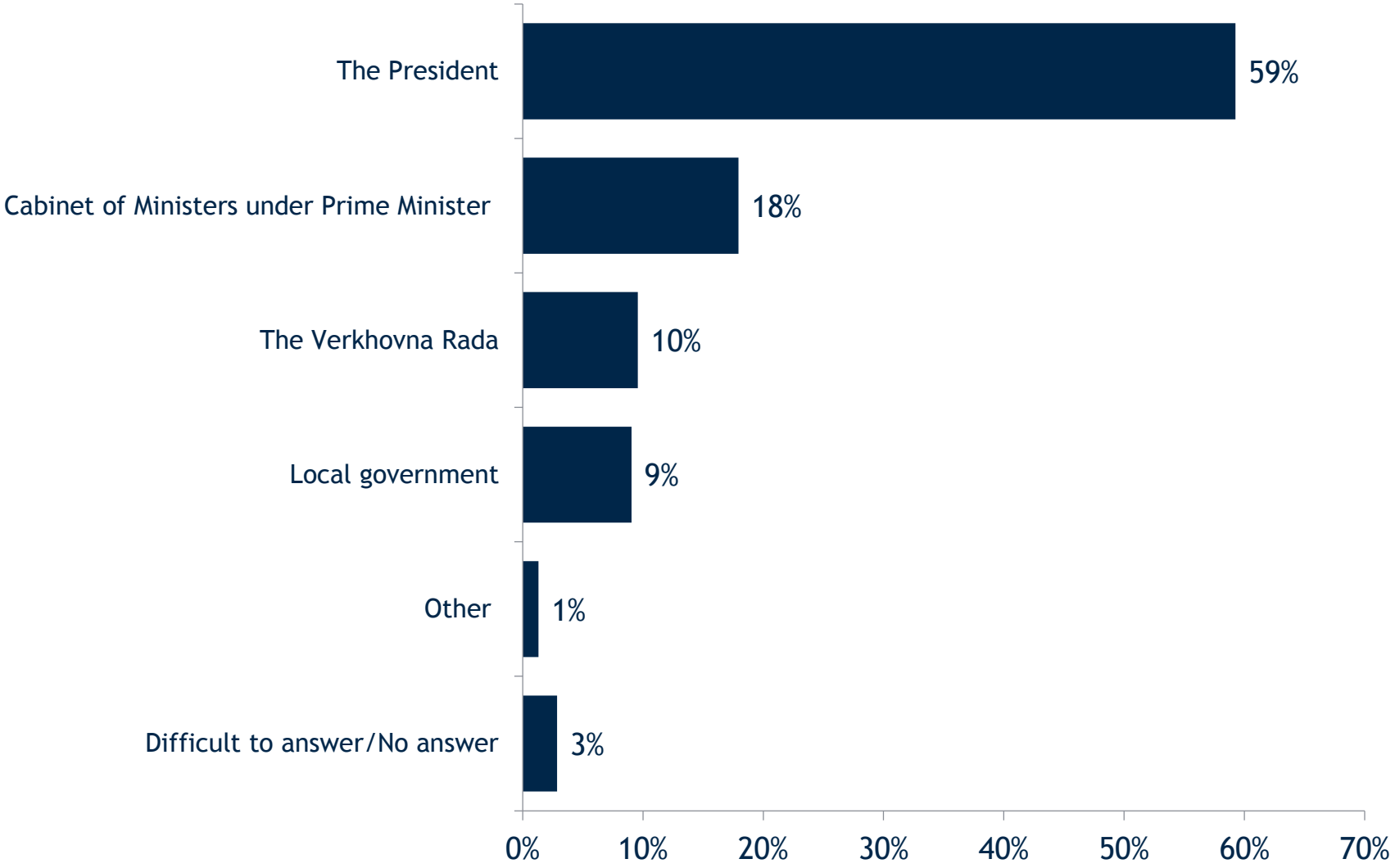
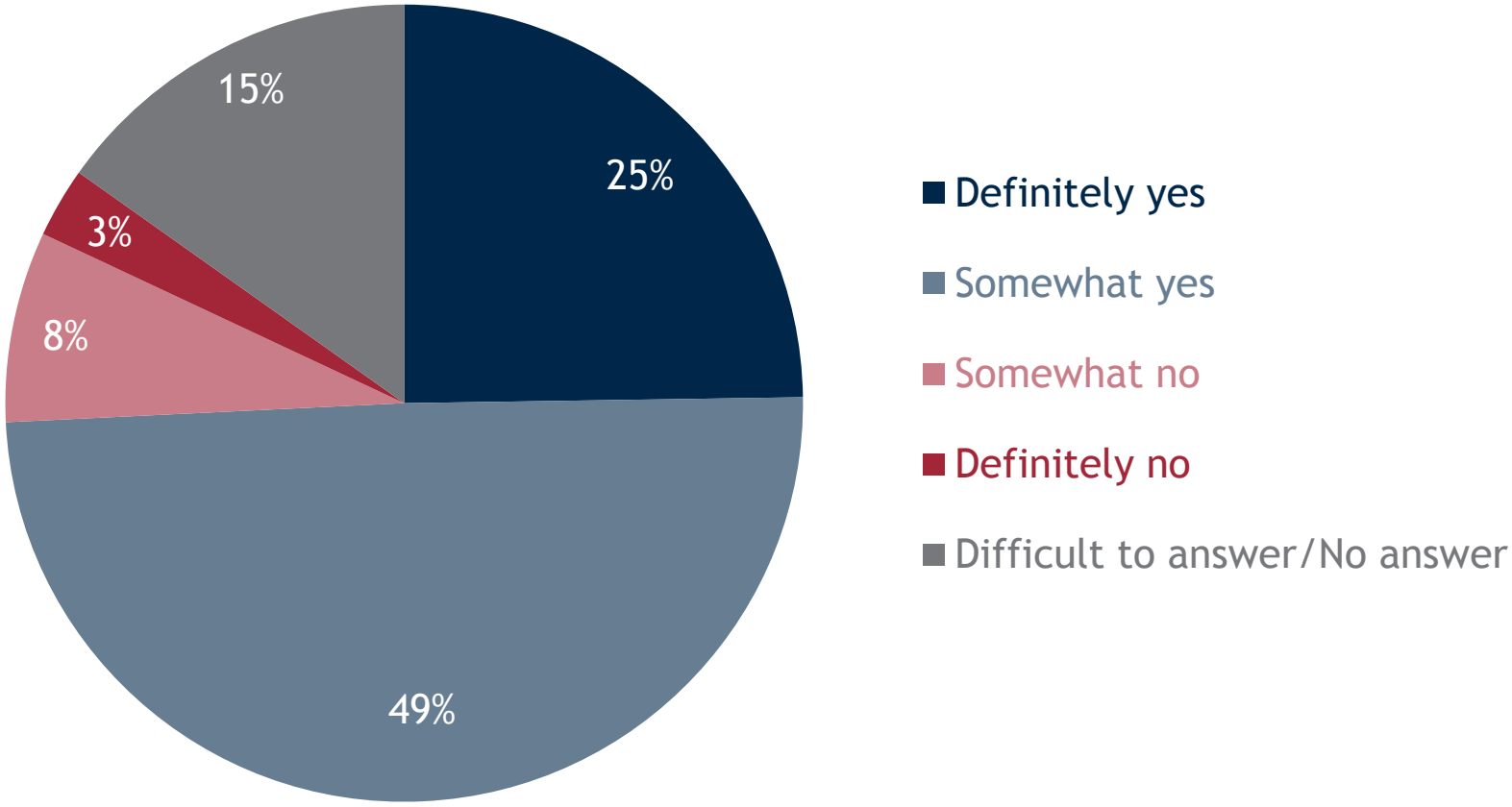
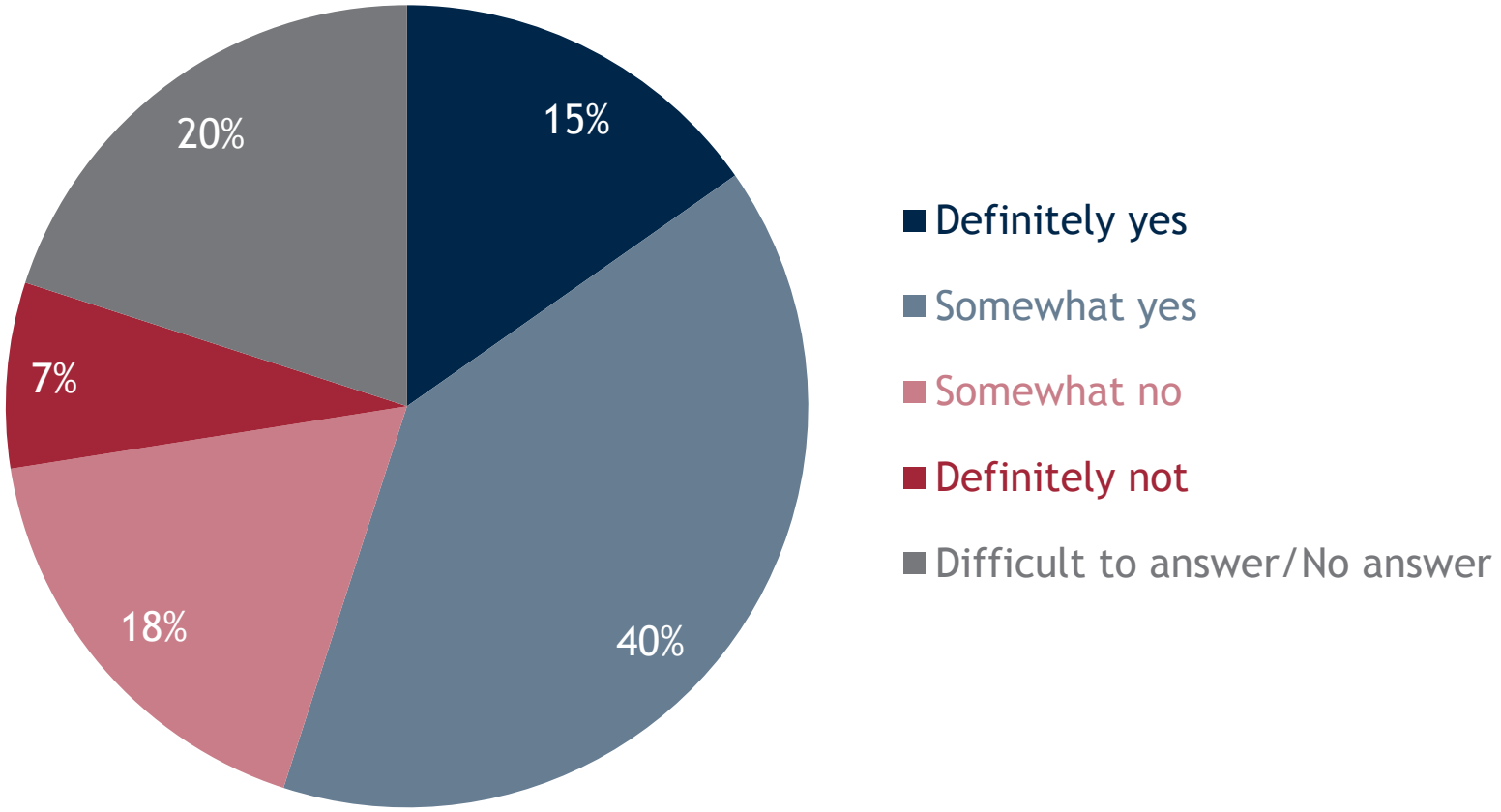
Which institution do you believe is most responsible for improving the standard of living and quality of life for Ukrainians?



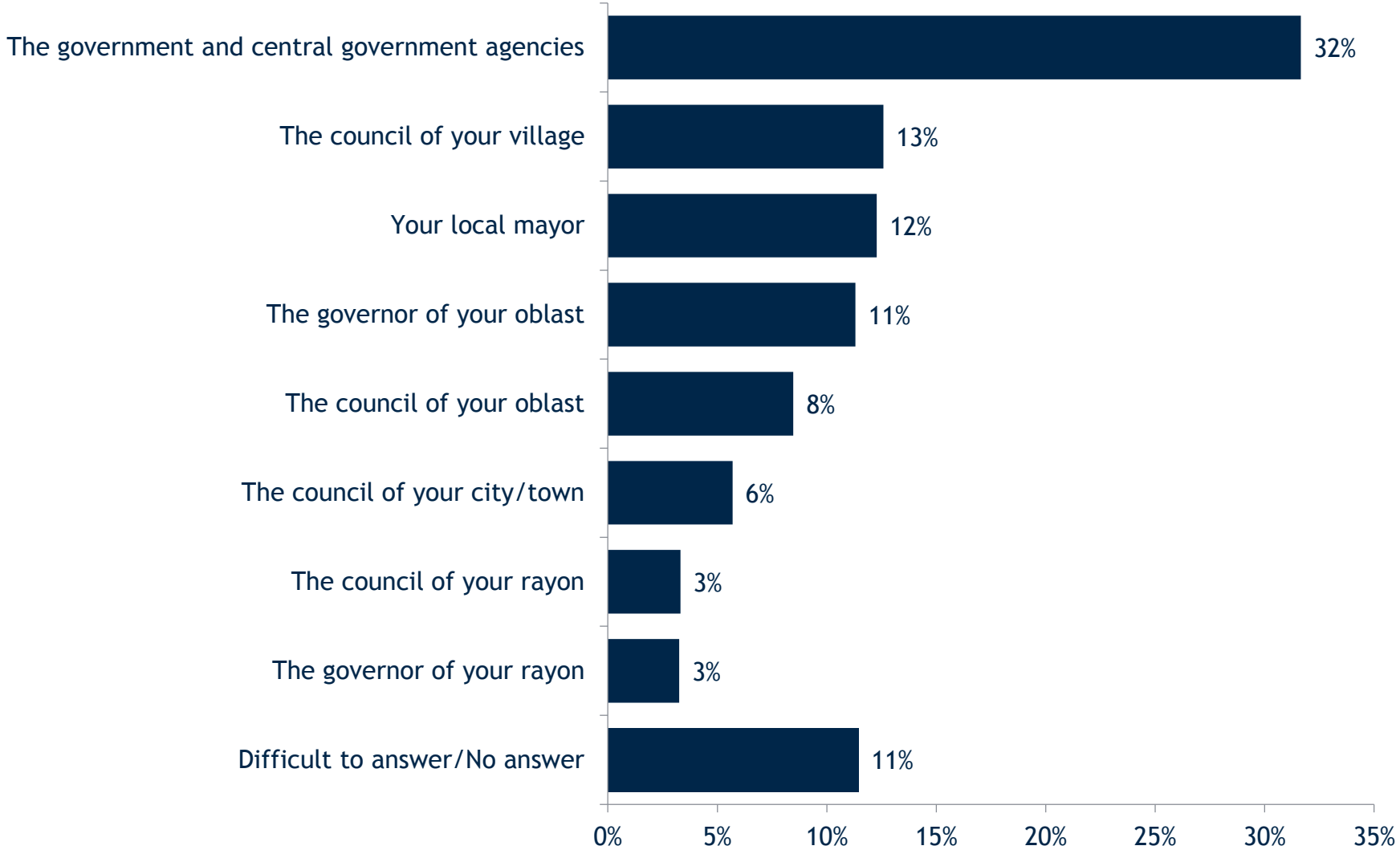
In your opinion, should more rights be transferred from central authorities to local authorities and communities?



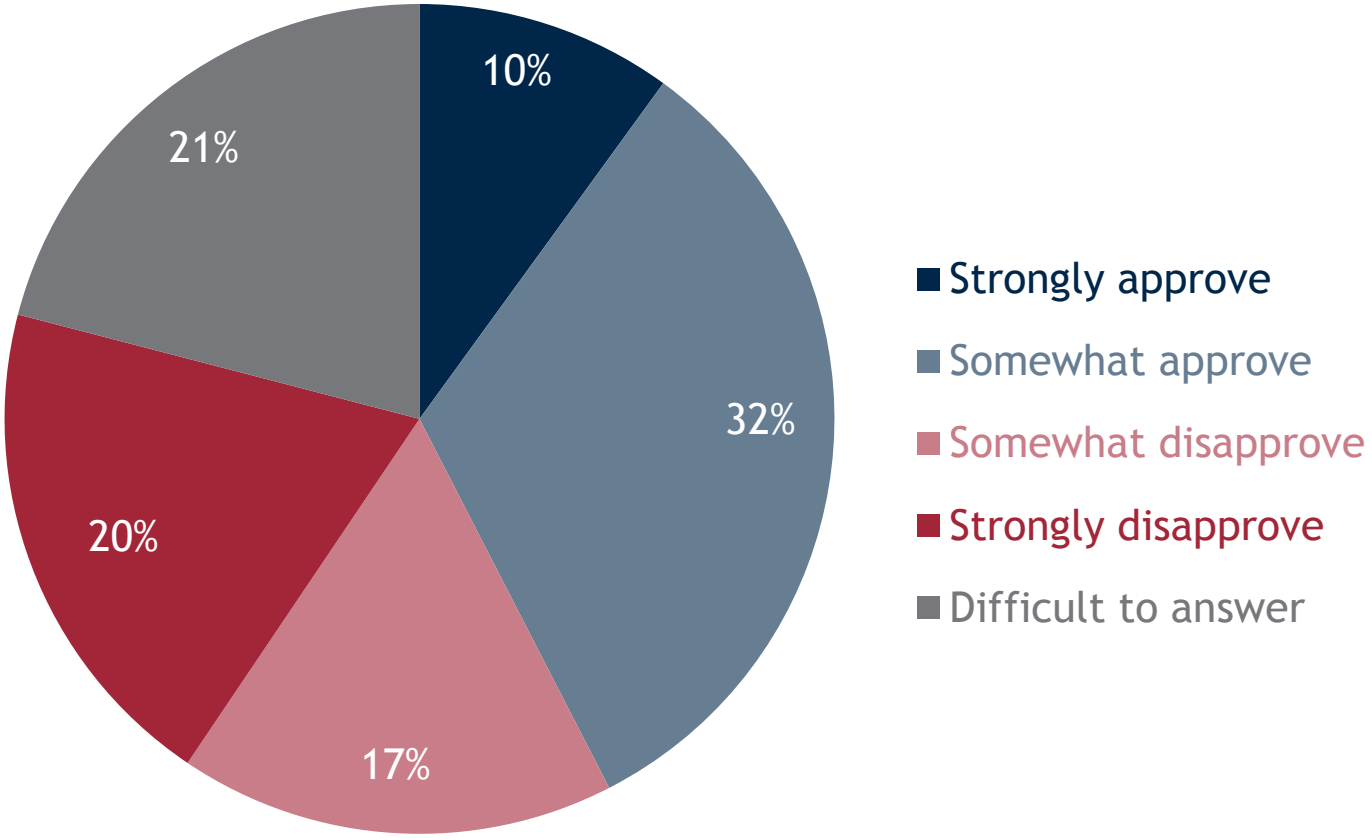
In your opinion, are your local authorities and community able to cope with more rights that might result from the decentralization reform?



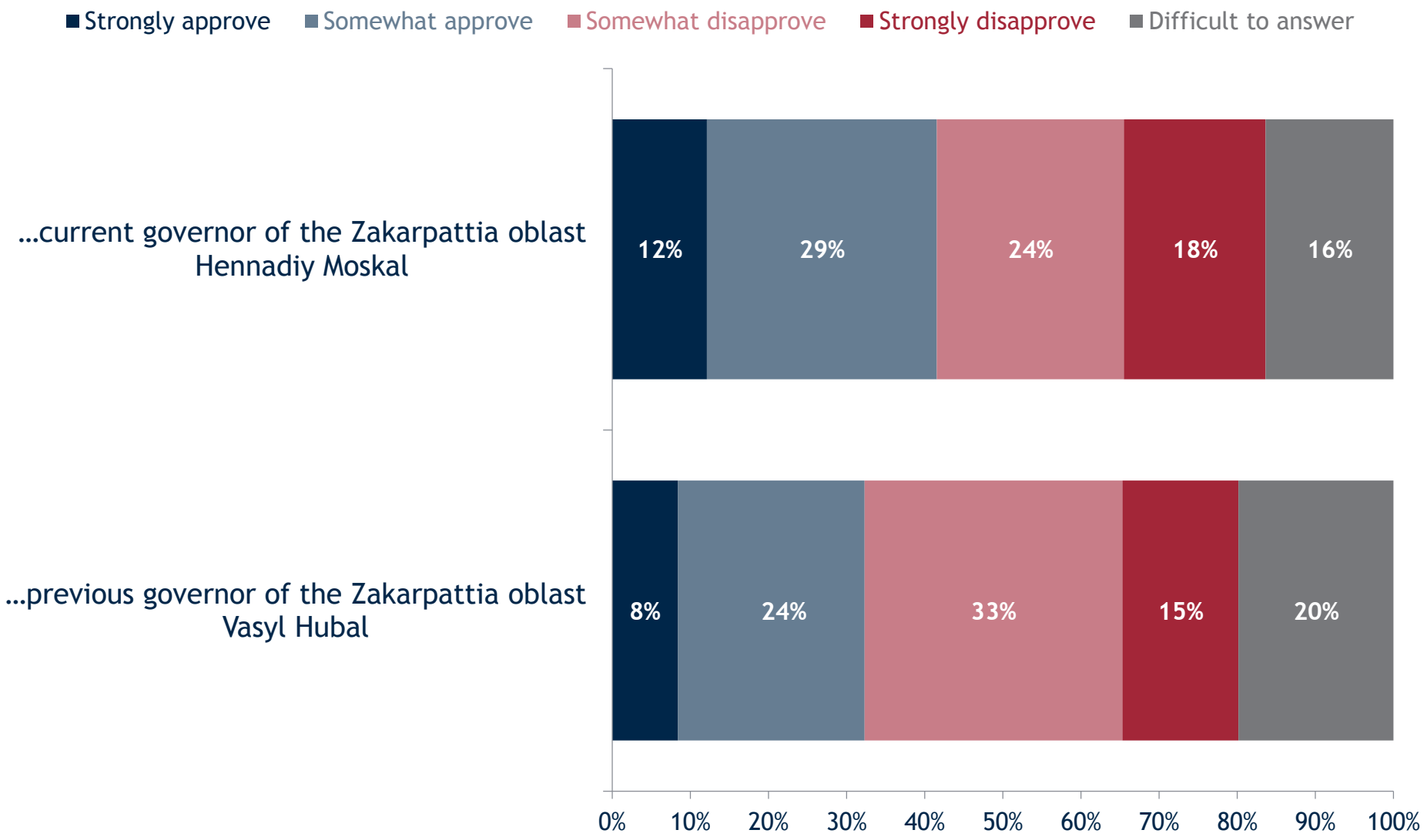
Who do you think should hold the most responsibility for addressing local issues and providing services to your community?



Do you approve of the appointment of Hennadiy Moskal as the governor of the Zakarpattia *oblast*?

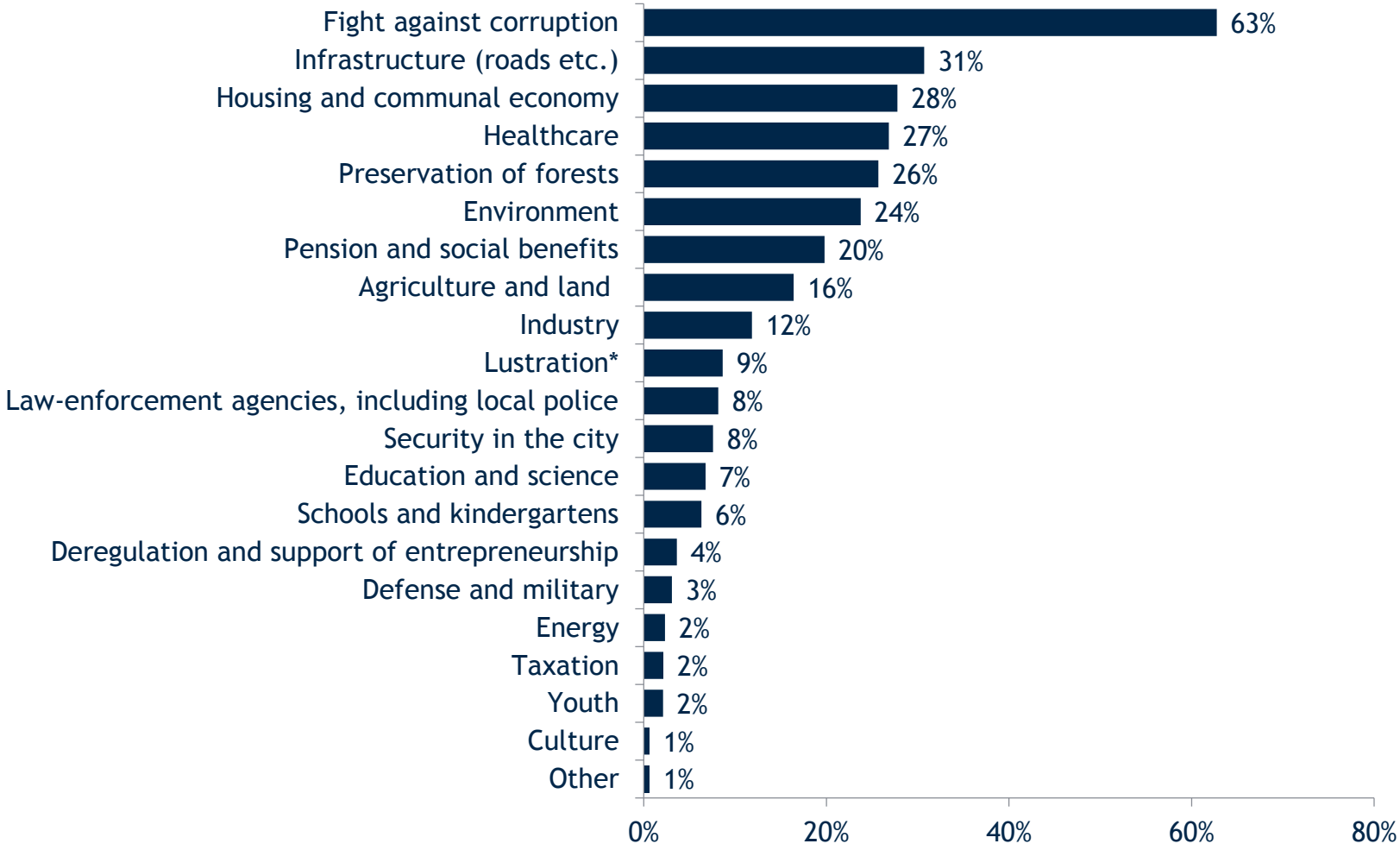


Do you approve the job performance of the…



In your opinion, which areas should be a priority for the governor of Zakarpattia *oblast*?

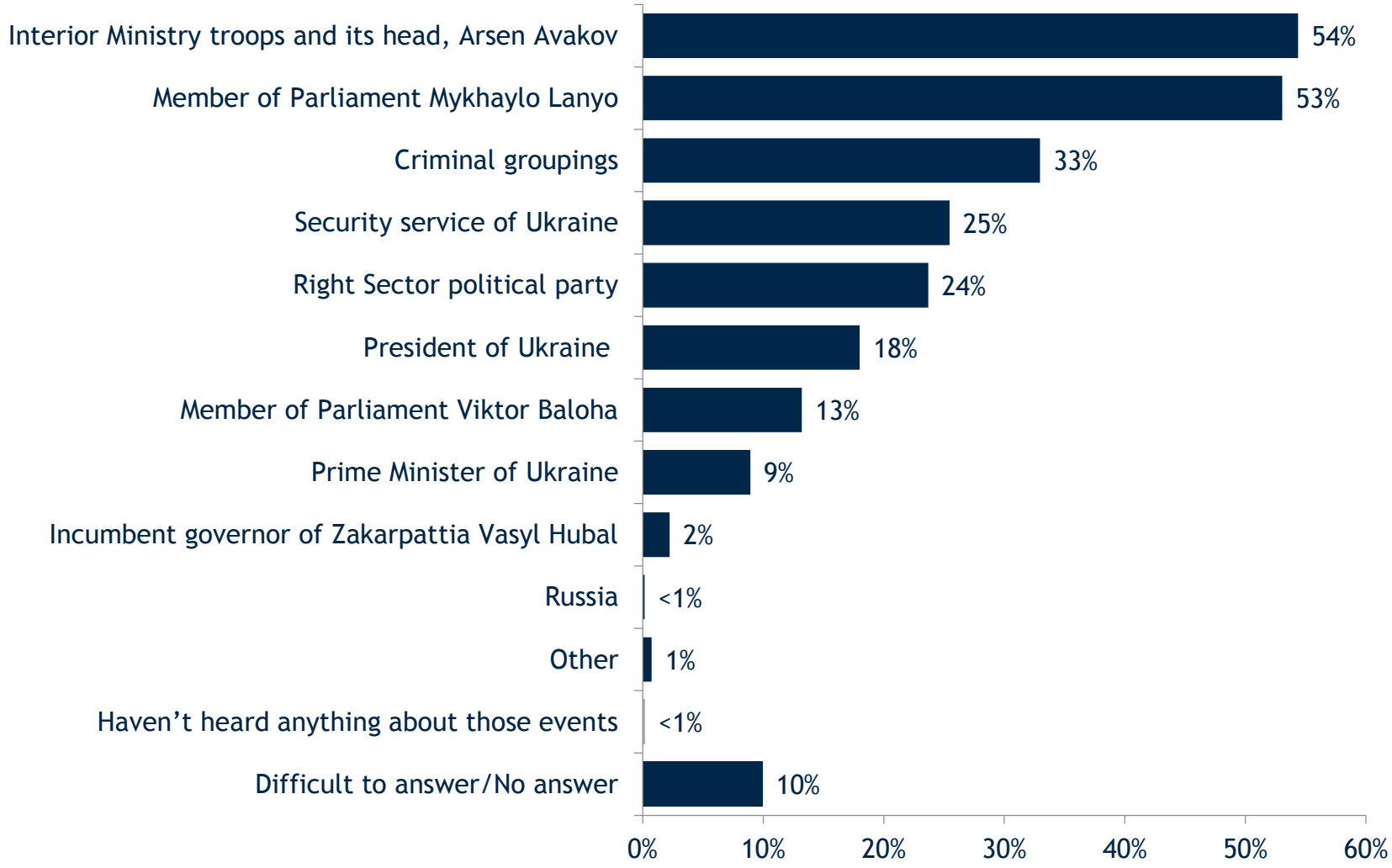
(No more than three answers)



*In Ukraine, the term lustration refers to the exclusion from public office of civil servants who worked under Ukrainian President Viktor Yanukovych for more than a year and civil servants who were active in the Communist Party of the Soviet Union. They may be excluded for five to 10 years (Source: Kyiv Post).

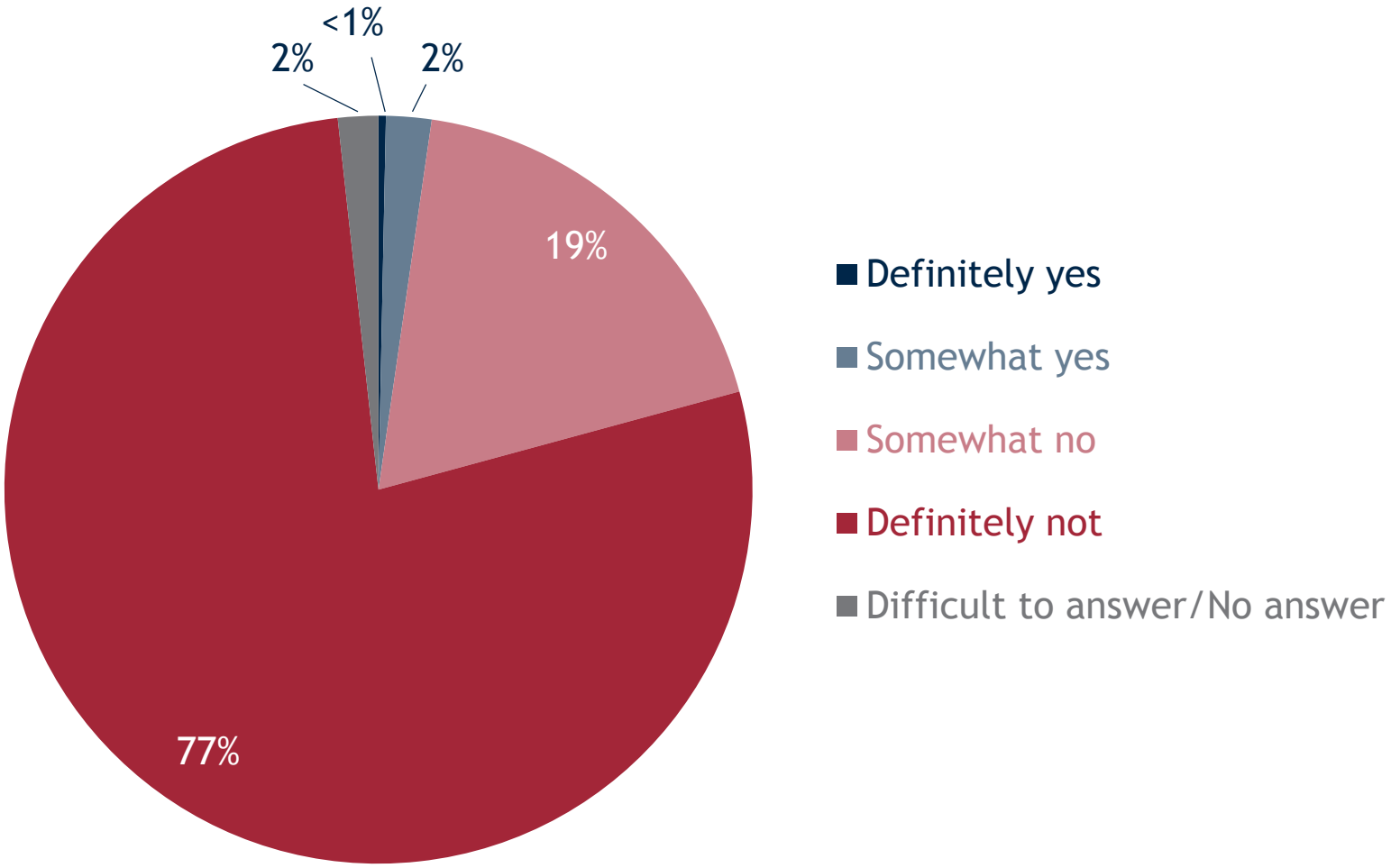
Who do you think is to blame for all the armed clashes in the town of Mukachevo*?

(No more than three answers)

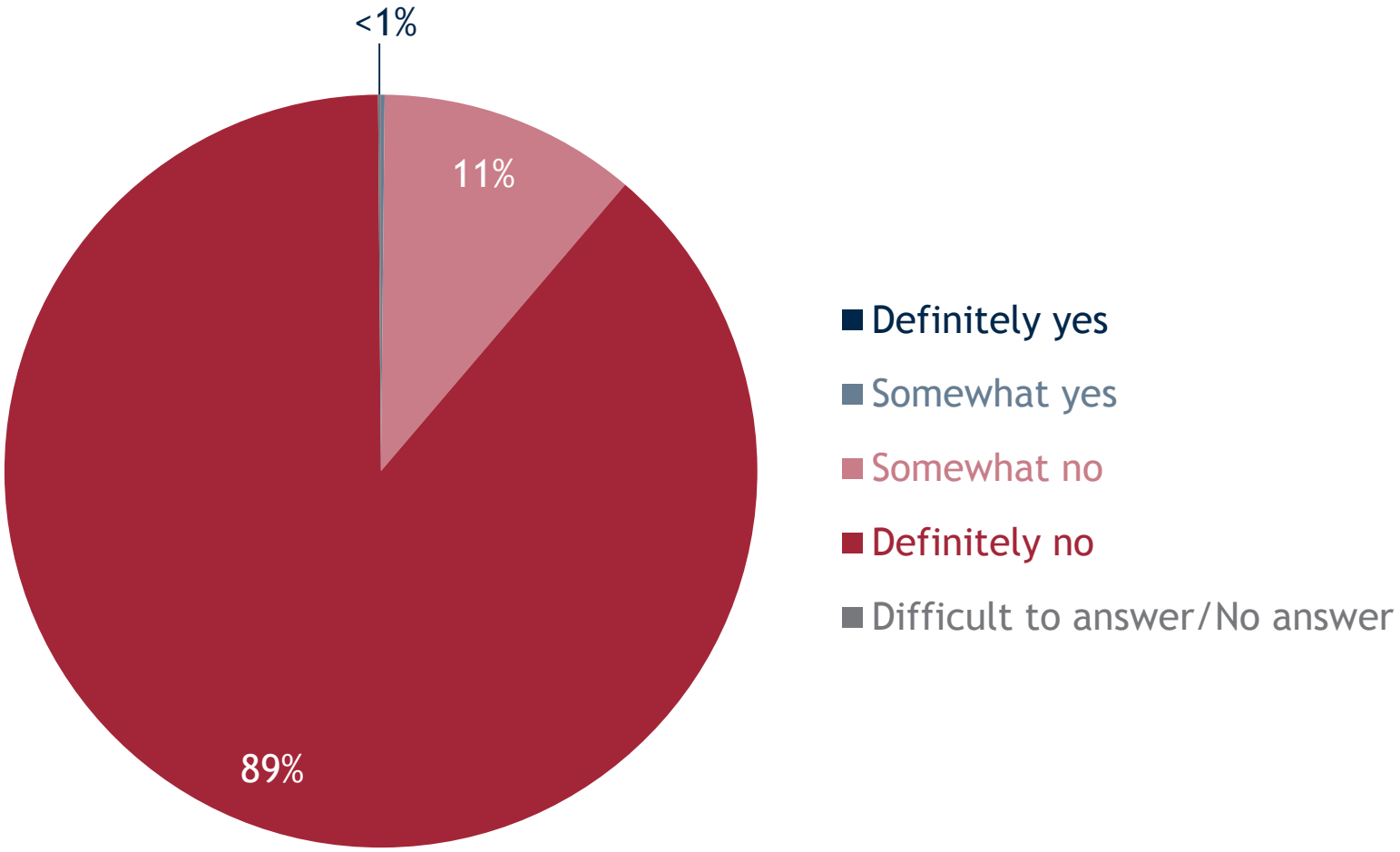


*In July, armed clashes occurred in the town of Mukachevo between police and members of Right Sector. These involved business disputes between local clans.

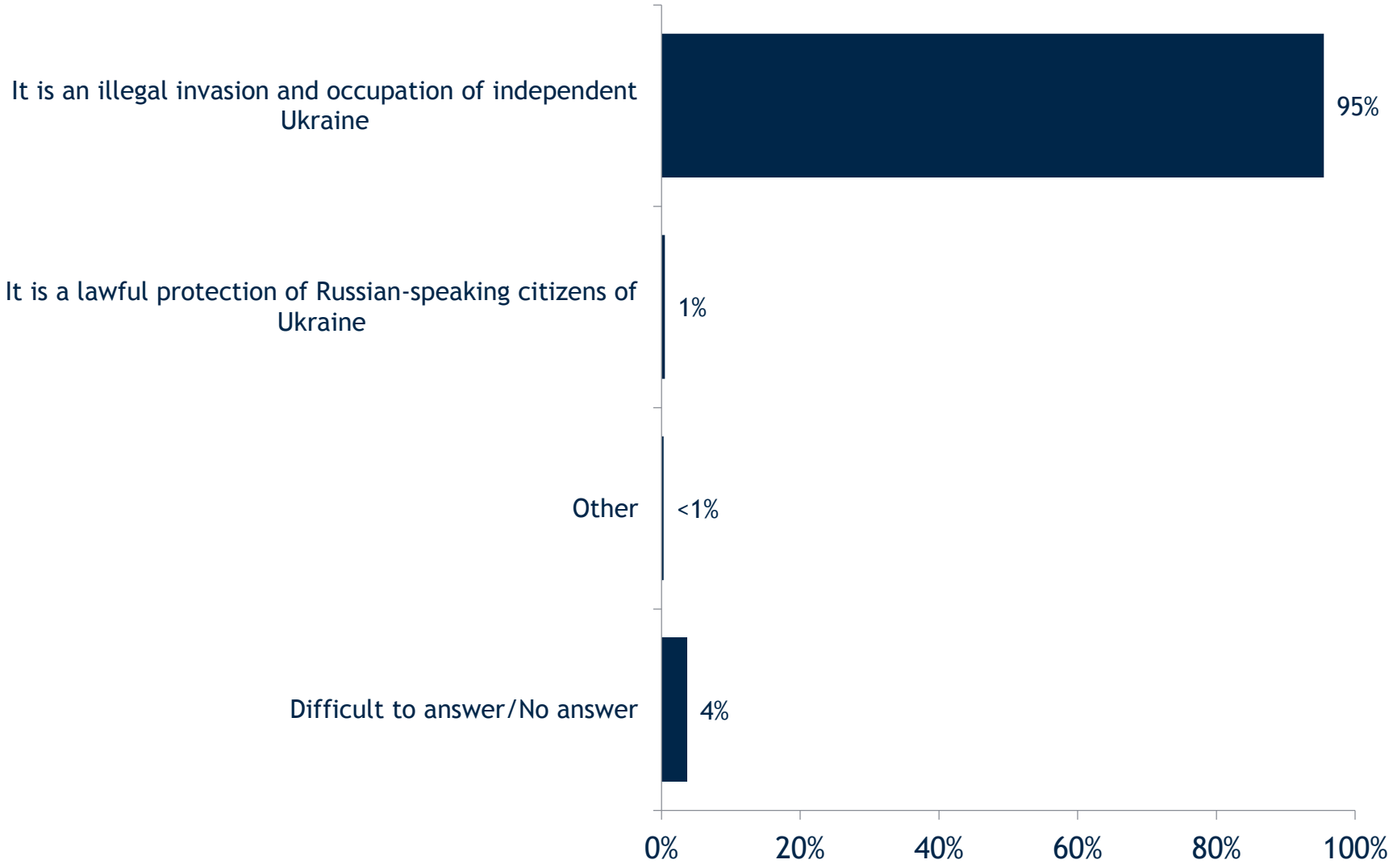
Do you feel that citizens of Ukraine whose native language is not Ukrainian are under pressure or threat because of their language?



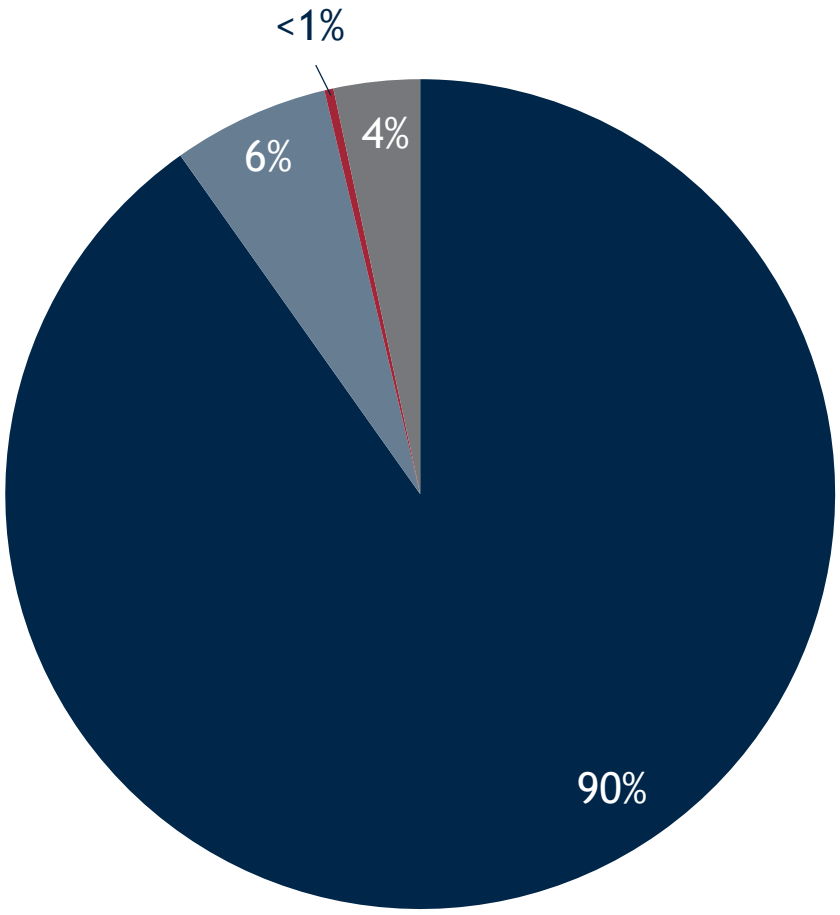
Do you support the decision of the Russian Federation to send its army to protect Russian speaking citizens of Ukraine?



How do you evaluate Russia's actions toward Crimea?

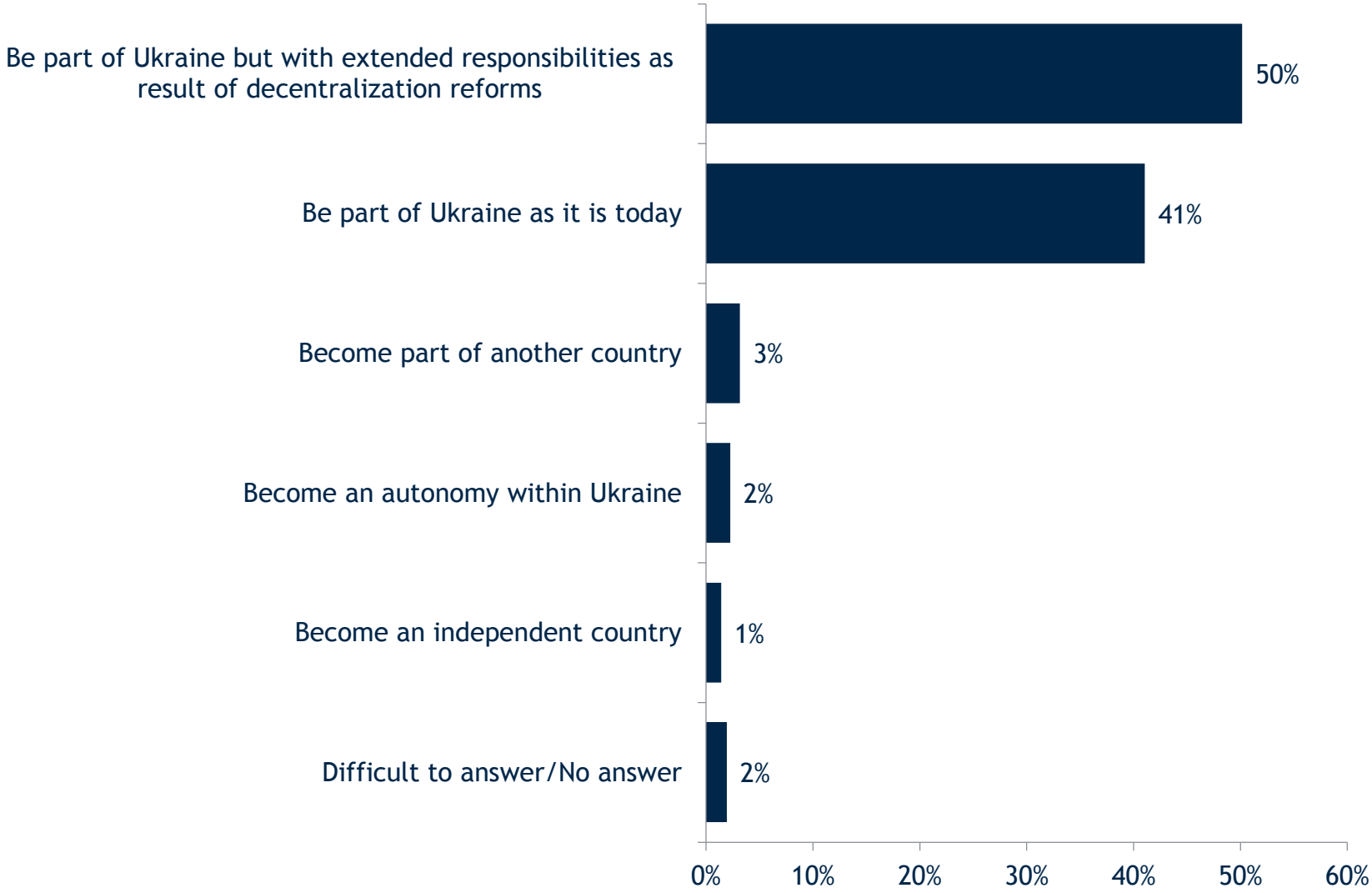


In you opinion, which of the following should Ukraine do?



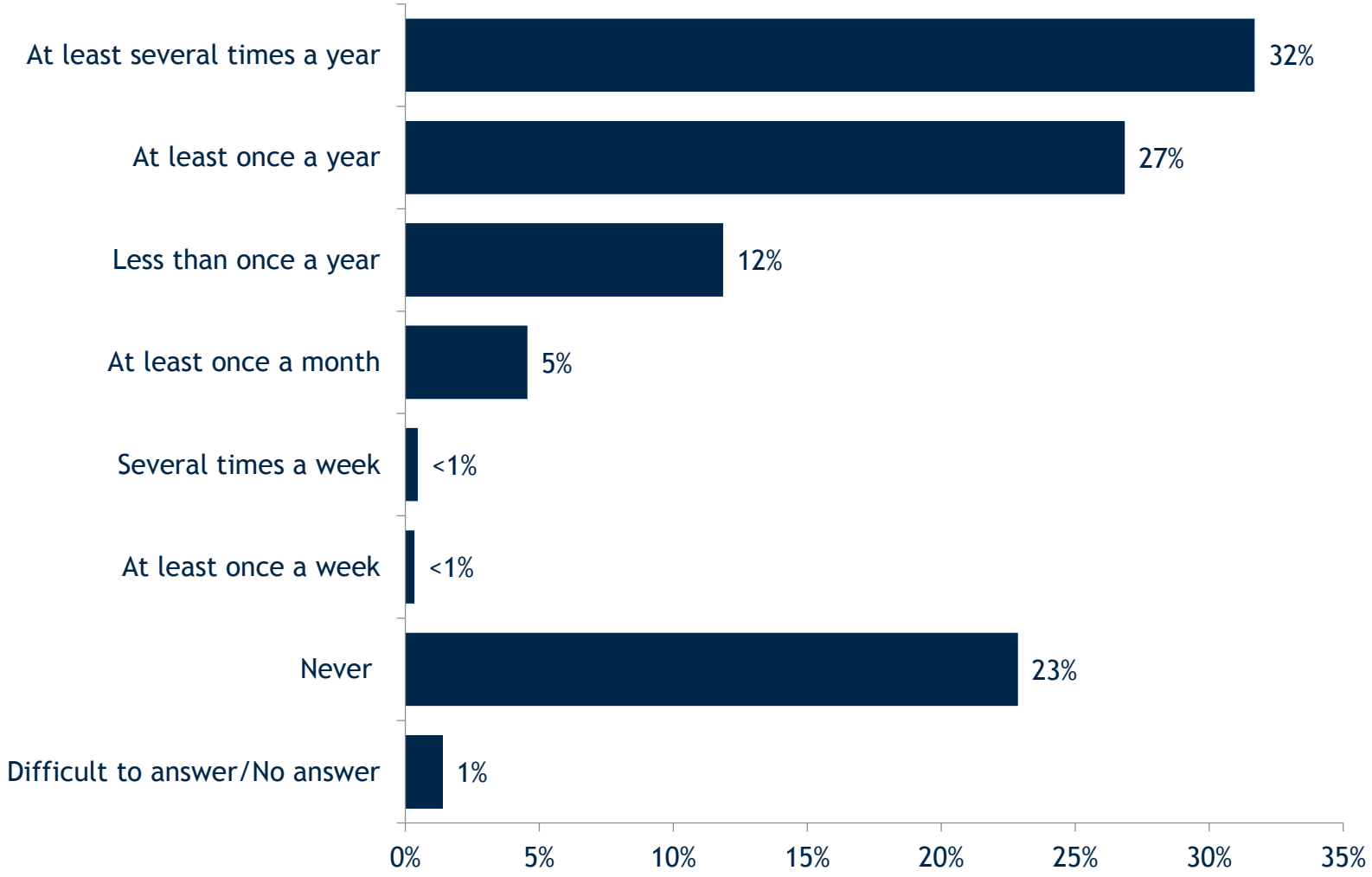
- Remain a unitary country
- Remain a unitary country, but without Crimea
- Become a federal country
- Difficult to answer/No answer

In you opinion, which status should Zakarpattia have*?



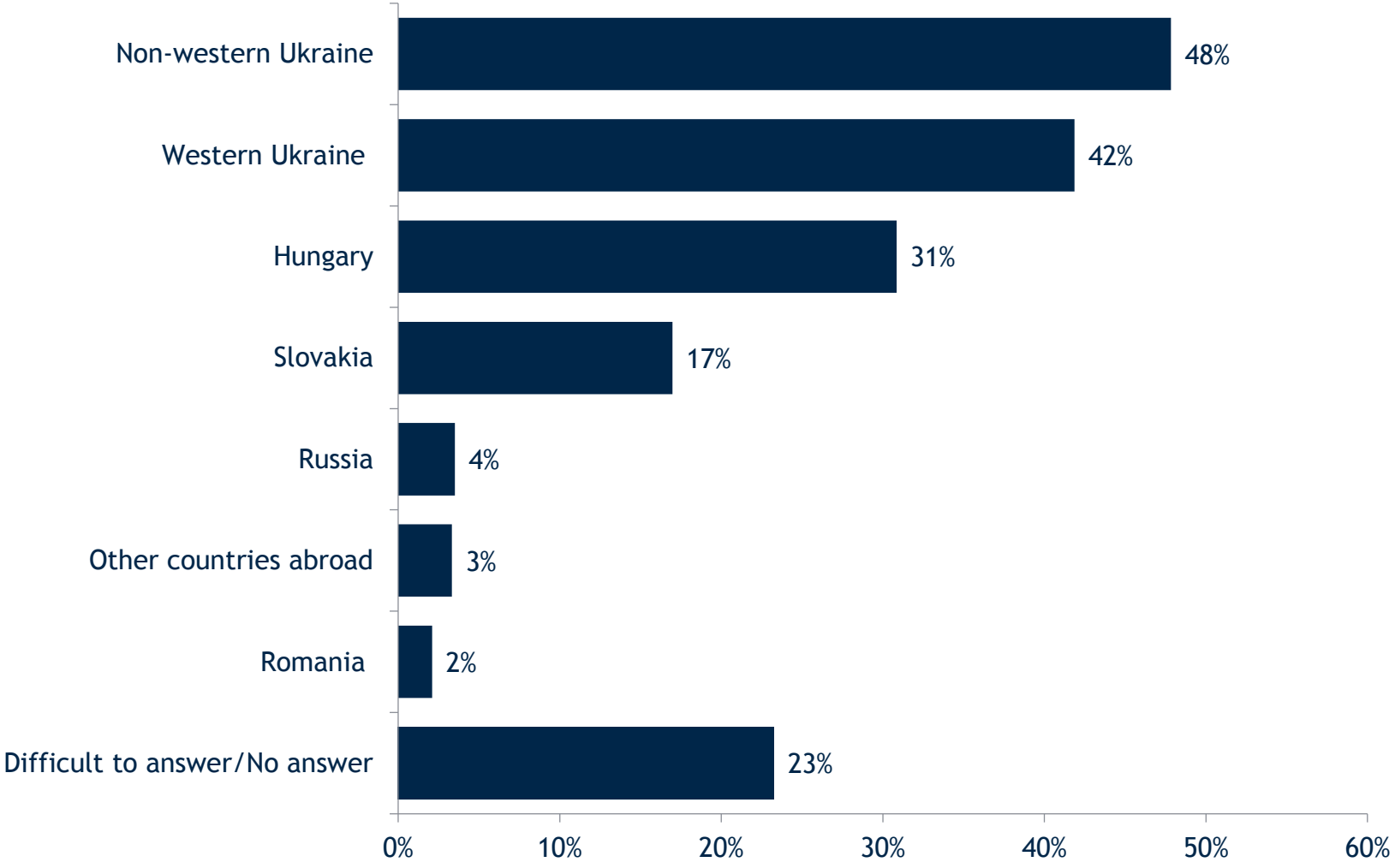
*IRI tested this question in the wake of the violent clashes that occurred in Mukachevo this summer.

How often do you travel outside of Zakarpattia?



Where do you travel to outside of Zakarpattia?

(Several answers possible)



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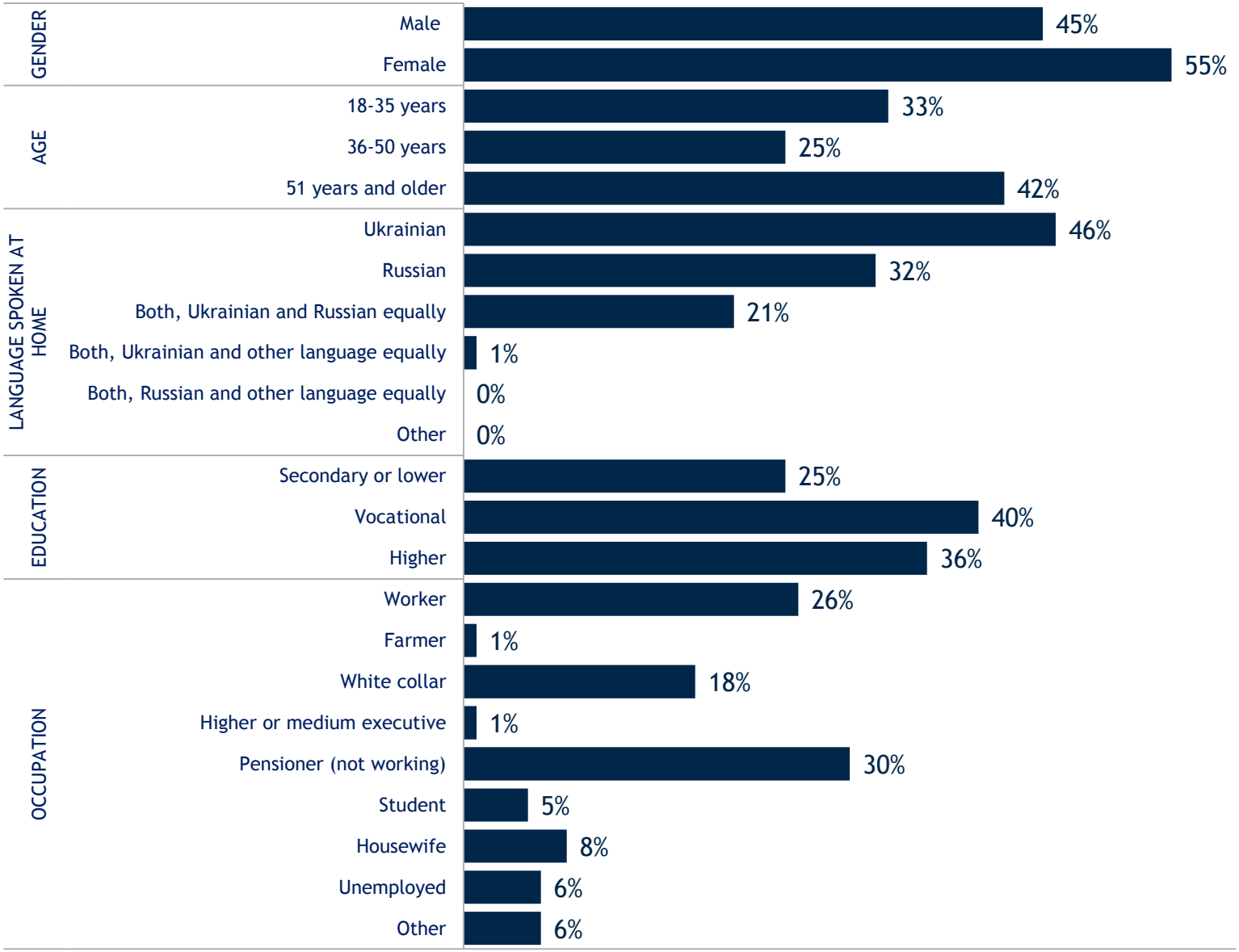

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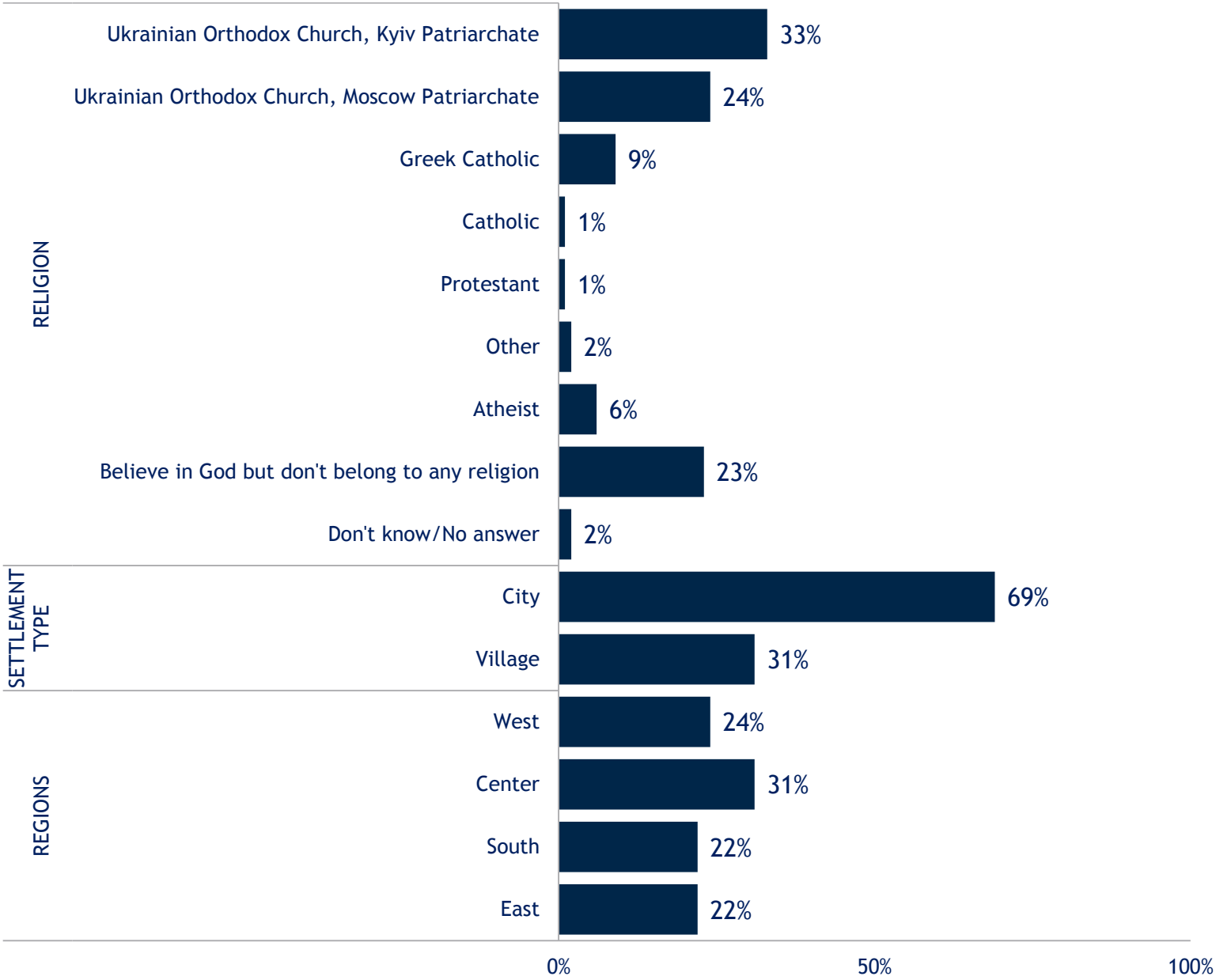

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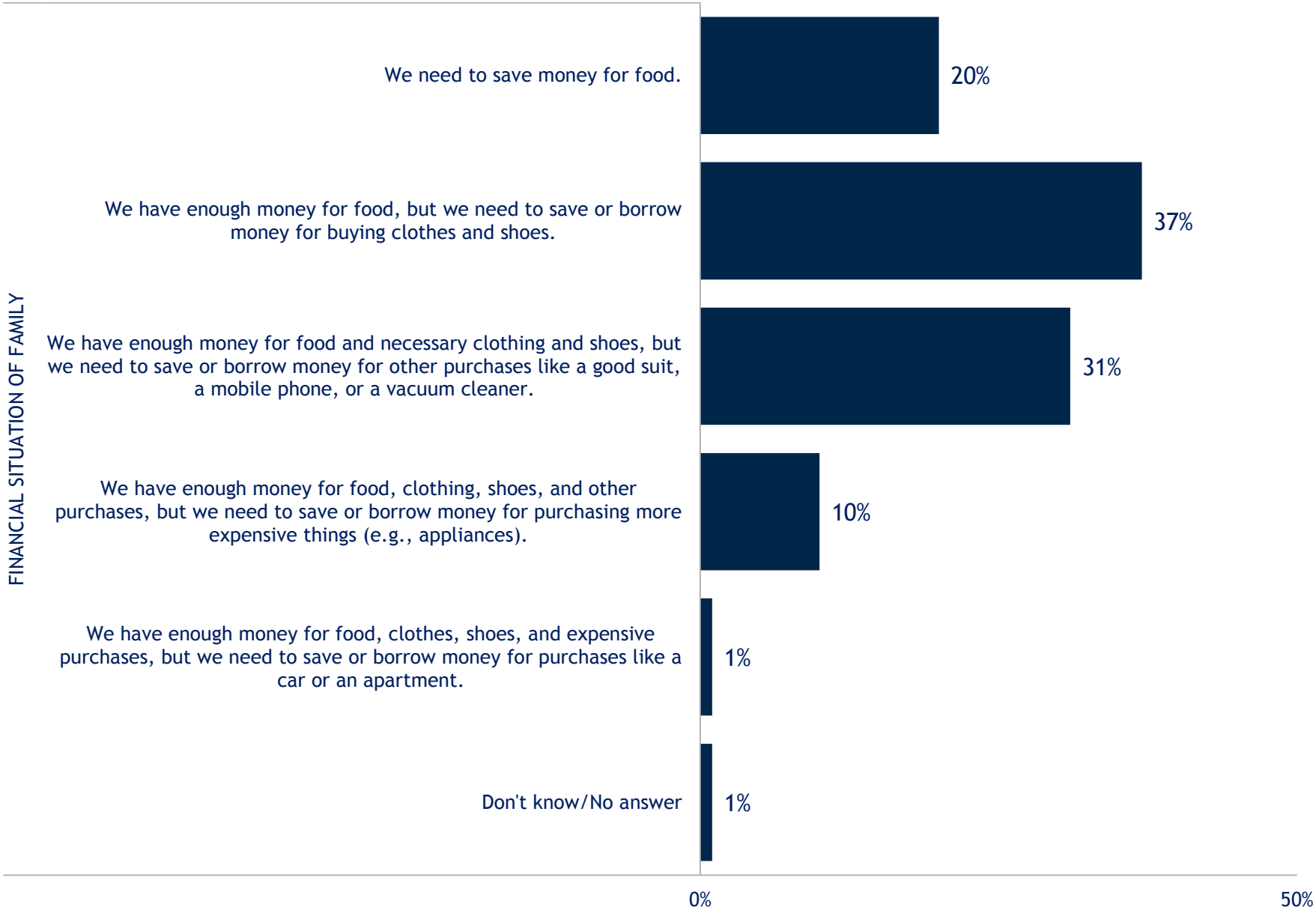

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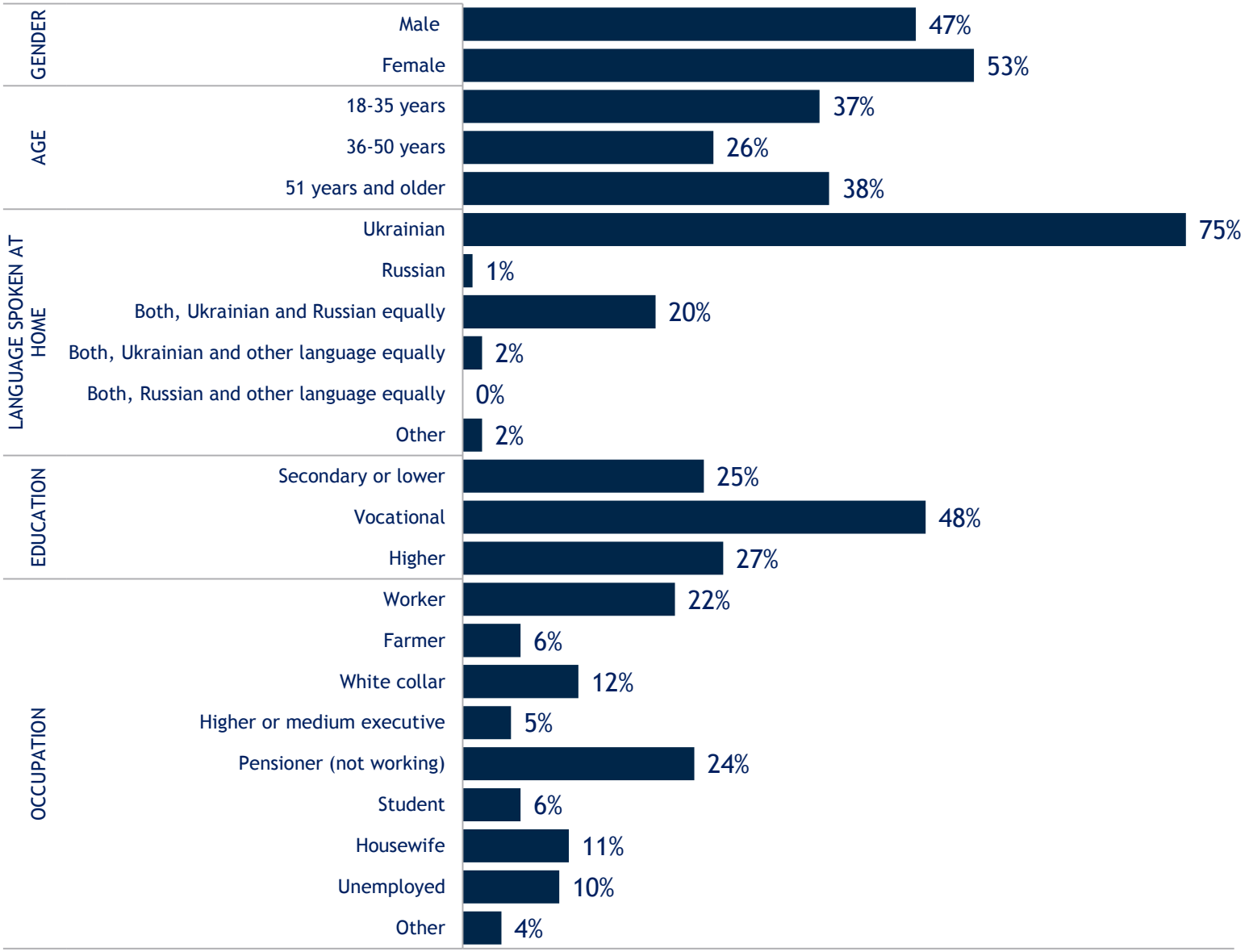

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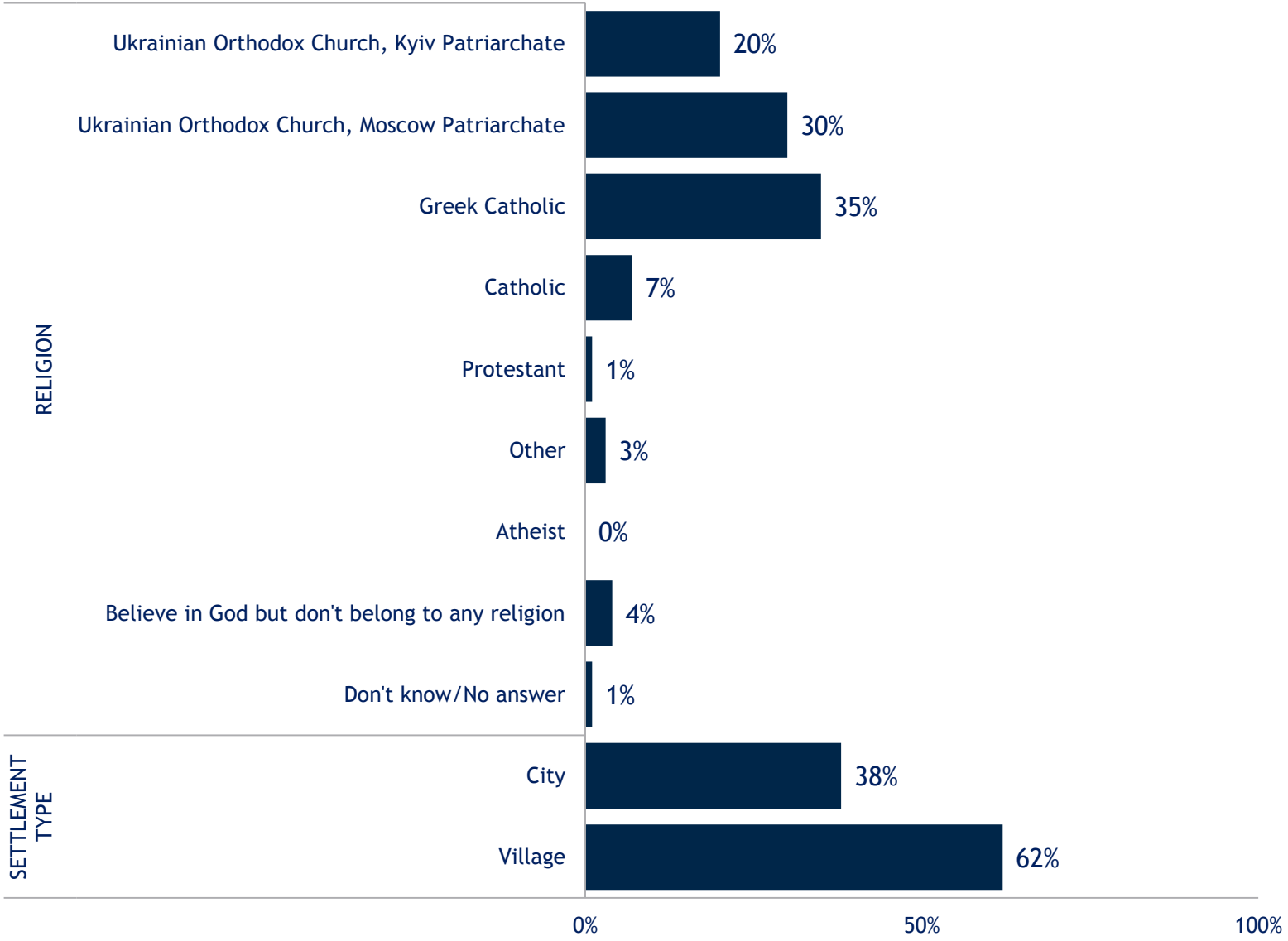

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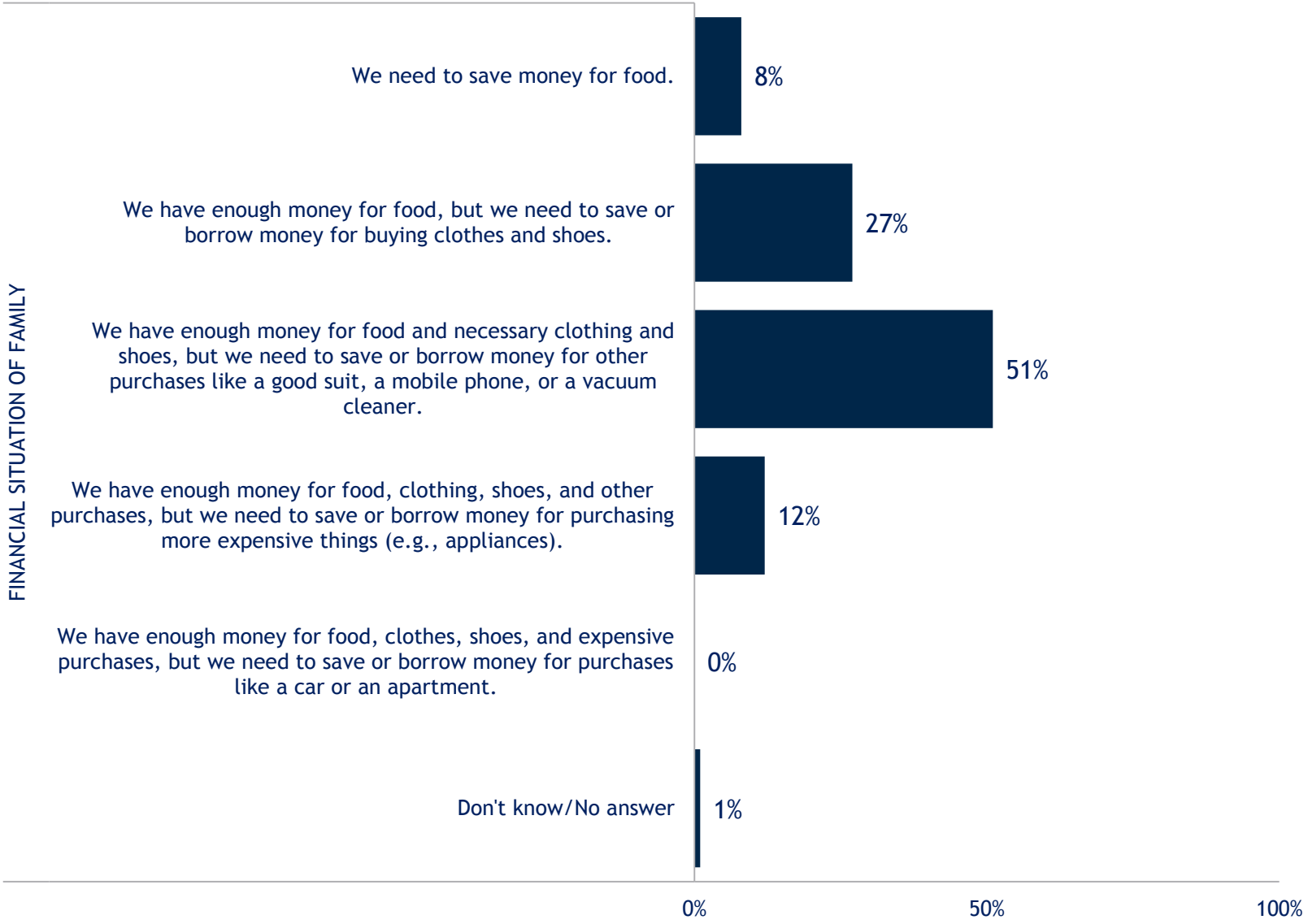

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