### Bosnia and Herzegovina: Public Opinion on Foreign Influence and Violent Extremism

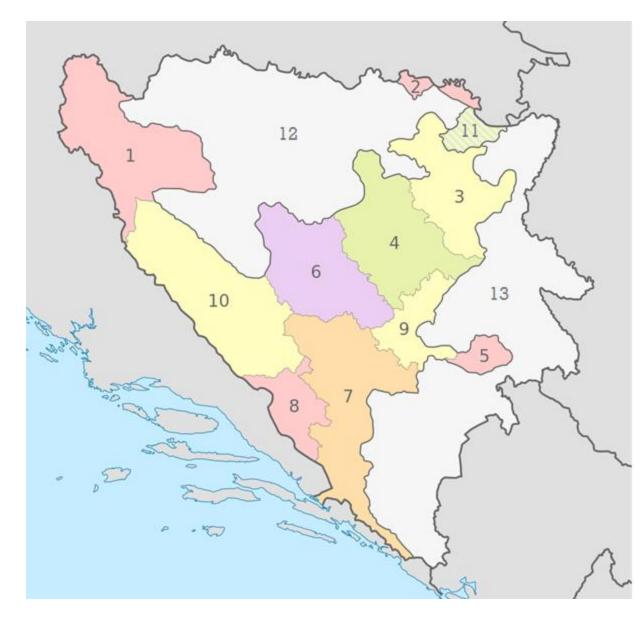
March 7, 2019 - March 26, 2019



### **Detailed Methodology**

- The survey was conducted on behalf of the International Republican Institute's Center for Insights in Survey Research by Ipsos Bosnia and Herzegovina.
- Data was collected between March 7 and 26, 2019, through in-home, in-person interviews using the CAPI (Computer Assisted Personal Interviewing) method.
- A total of 2,190 interviews were completed with an overall margin of error of +/- 2.1% at the midrange of the 95-percent confidence level for the full sample.
- A nationally representative sample was based on a multistage stratification proportionate to population sample distribution, with a random selection of households and respondents within each Primary Sampling Unit (PSU). The first level was the region and the second level was urbanity.
- Using data from the 2013 census as statistical reference for sample design, the sample is made up of citizens of BiH, aged 18+.
- Sampling frame: address registry within strata defined by region and type of settlements (urban and rural).
- Targeted oversampling was conducted in four areas of Bosnia and Herzegovina that have been identified as susceptible to radical tendencies: Zenica-Doboj Canton (n=148), Una-Sana Canton (n=188), Herzegovina-Neretva Canton (n=206) and Republika Srpska East (n=102). Oversampling in these areas sought to yield more specific insights into the public's perception of the role of religion in society, the presence of extremism, and interethnic tension, among others.
- Households were selected by a random route technique.
- Respondent selection was made using random selection, any member of a household with the same probability (SRSWoR).
- Charts and graphs may not add up to 100 percent due to rounding.
- The survey was funded by the National Endowment for Democracy.

#### Map of BiH Administrative Divisions



1 Una-Sana Canton
 2 Posavina Canton
 3 Tuzla Canton
 4 Zenica-Doboj Canton
 5 Bosnian-Podrinje Canton
 6 Central Bosnia Canton
 7 Herzegovina-Neretva Canton
 8 West Herzegovina Canton
 9 Canton Sarajevo
 10 Livanjski Canton
 11 Brcko District
 12 North Republika Srpska
 13 East Republika Srpska

### **Frequently Cited Bases**

Disaggregate	Disaggregation Category	Base
Ethnicity	Bosniaks	n=1,114
	Croats	n=246
	Serbs	n=707
Age	18-35	n=661
	36-55	n=775
	56+	n=754
Education	Elementary or less	n=636
	Secondary	n=1245
	University/master's/doctoraldegree	n=279

IRI Polls	Base
2019 National Poll of BiH	n=2,190
2018 National Poll of BiH	n=1,513
2017 National Poll of BiH	n=1,537

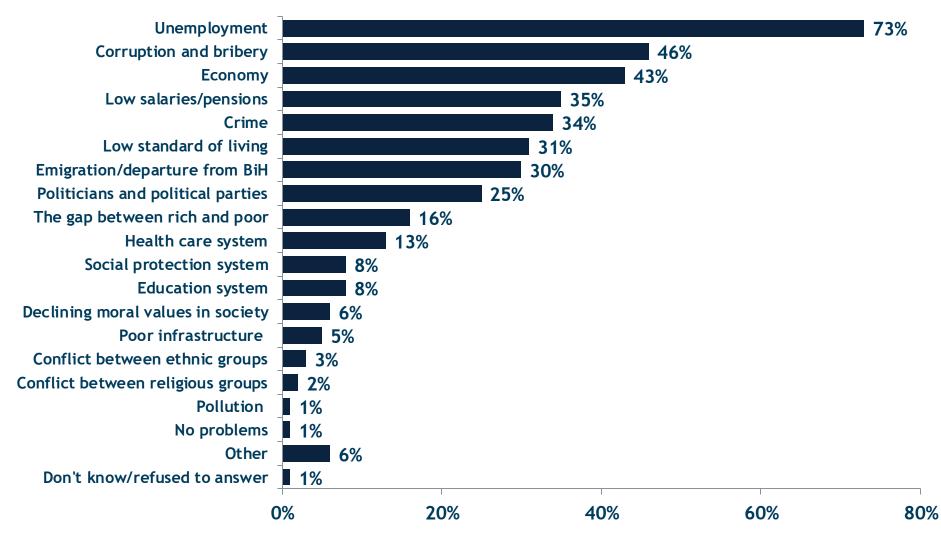
### Frequently Cited Bases (cont'd.)

Region	Disaggregation Category	Base
Herzegovina-Neretva Canton	Canton/Region	n=307
Una-Sana Canton	Canton/Region	n=306
Zenica-Doboj Canton	Canton/Region	n=305
Republika Srpska East	Canton/Region	n=307

### **Attitudes on Problems and Security**



# In your opinion, what is the biggest problem facing the country? (Spontaneous response)



Note: All mentions shown.

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#### (Spontaneous response)

Answers	Age 18-35	Age 36-55	Age 56+	Total
Unemployment	44%	41%	40%	42%
Corruption and bribery	12%	11%	13%	12%
Economy	12%	10%	<b>9</b> %	10%
Politicians and political parties	4%	8%	9%	7%
Low salaries/pensions	5%	5%	7%	6%
Emigration/departure from BiH	7%	6%	4%	5%
Crime	5%	5%	4%	5%
Low standard of living	6%	5%	3%	4%
Healthcare system	1%	2%	2%	2%
The gap between rich and poor	1%	1%	2%	1%
Declining moral values in society	1%	1%	0%	1%
Other	2%	2%	5%	5%
Don't know/refused to answer	0%	0%	0%	1%

### In your opinion, what is the biggest problem facing the country? (Spontaneous response)

Answers	Elementary or less	Secondary	University/ Master's/ Doctoral degree	Total
Unemployment	<b>49</b> %	40%	31%	42%
Corruption and bribery	7%	13%	18%	12%
Economy	8%	11%	11%	10%
Politicians and political parties	6%	8%	<b>9</b> %	7%
Low salaries/pensions	7%	5%	4%	6%
Emigration/departure from BiH	6%	5%	<b>6</b> %	5%
Crime	4%	5%	3%	5%
Low standard of living	3%	5%	5%	4%
Health care system	3%	1%	1%	2%
The gap between rich and poor	1%	1%	2%	1%
Declining moral values in society	1%	0%	1%	1%
Other	3%	4%	8%	5%
Don't know/refused to answer	1%	0%	0%	1%

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(Disaggregated by household monthly income. All respondents, spontaneous response: n=410 for up to 500 KM; n=517 for 501-1,000 KM; n=256 for 1,001-1,500 KM; n=123 for more than 1,500 KM; n=884 for no answer)

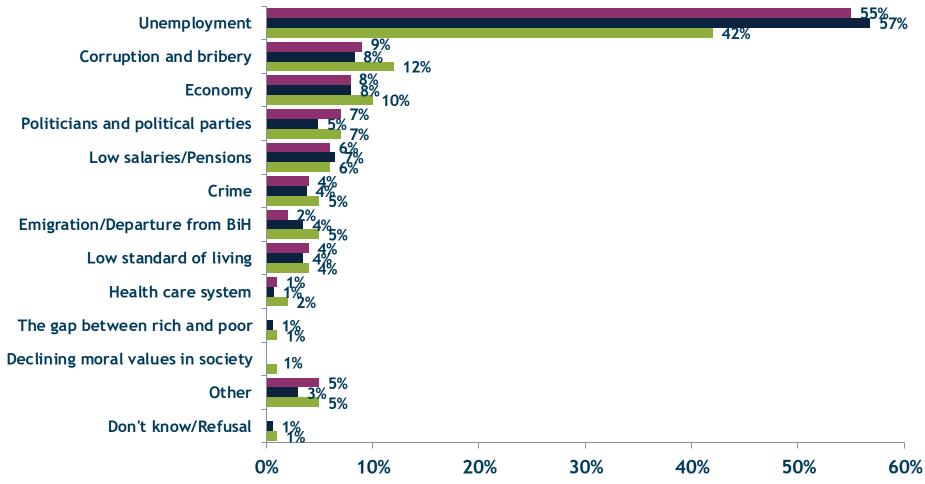
Answers	Up to 500 KM	501- 1,000 KM	1,001- 1,500 KM	More than 1,500 KM	No answer	Total
Unemployment	48%	39%	33%	25%	45%	42%
Corruption and bribery	13%	13%	10%	<b>9</b> %	12%	12%
Economy	6%	10%	10%	12%	12%	10%
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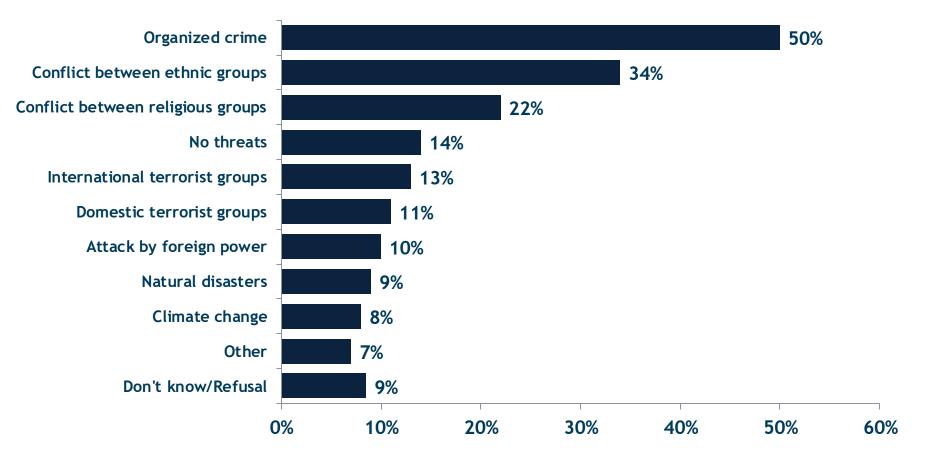
Answers	Bosniak	Croat	Serb	Total
Unemployment	38%	36%	<b>49</b> %	42%
Corruption and bribery	11%	<b>19</b> %	11%	12%
Economy	9%	<b>9</b> %	11%	10%
Politicians and political parties	11%	7%	2%	7%
Low salaries/Pensions	5%	7%	7%	6%
Emigration/Departure from BiH	<b>6</b> %	6%	4%	5%
Crime	<b>6</b> %	3%	3%	5%
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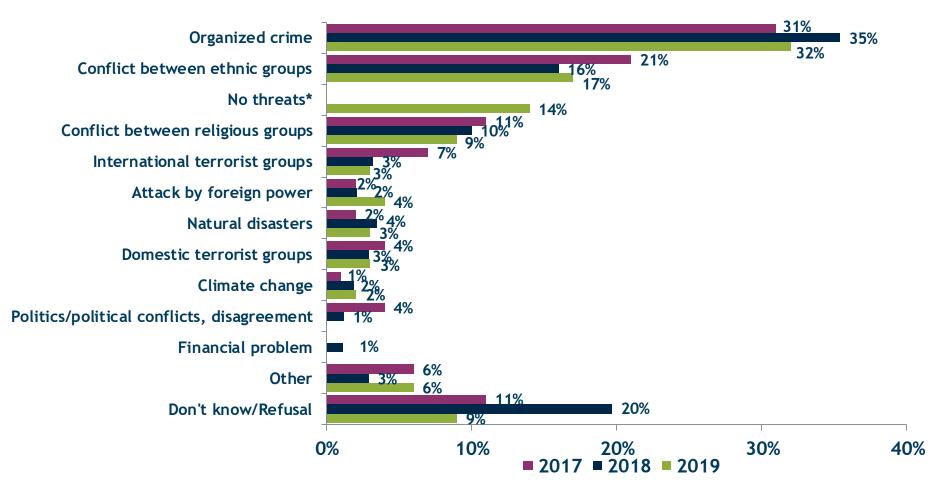
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# In your opinion, what is the biggest security threat facing our country today?

#### (Spontaneous response)



<sup>\*</sup> Option unavailable in 2017 and 2018

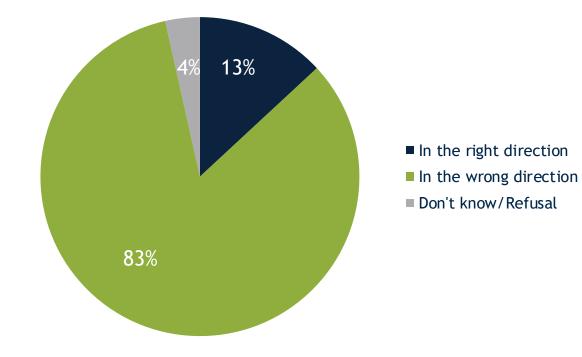
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Answers	Bosniak	Croat	Serb	Total
Organized crime	30%	32%	37%	32%
Conflict between ethnic groups	16%	25%	13%	17%
Conflict between religious groups	<b>9</b> %	12%	7%	<b>9</b> %
International terrorist groups	3%	1%	6%	3%
Domestic terrorist groups	3%	2%	4%	3%
Attack by foreign power	3%	1%	6%	4%
Natural disasters	3%	2%	2%	3%
Climate change	2%	1%	1%	2%
No threats	16%	14%	10%	14%
Other	4%	1%	9%	6%
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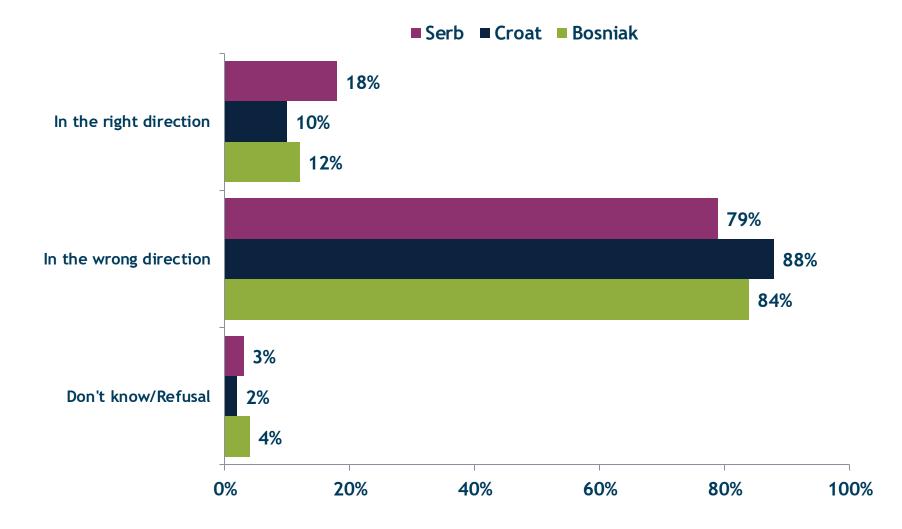
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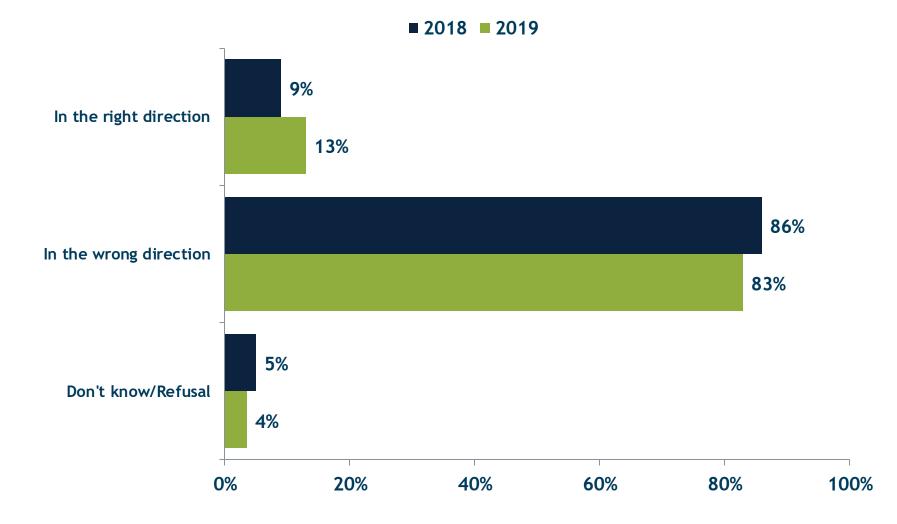
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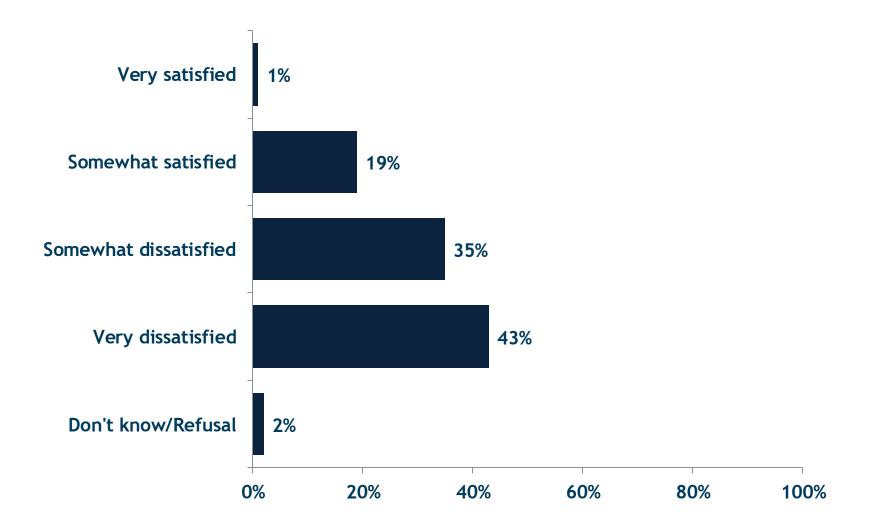


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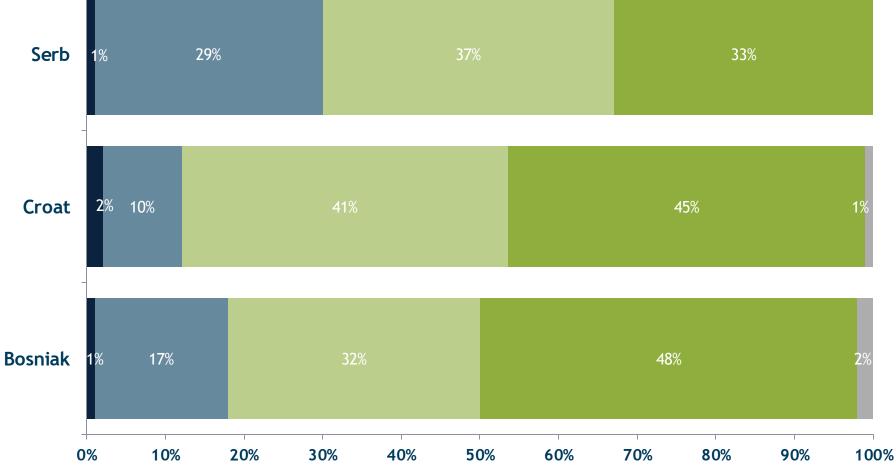
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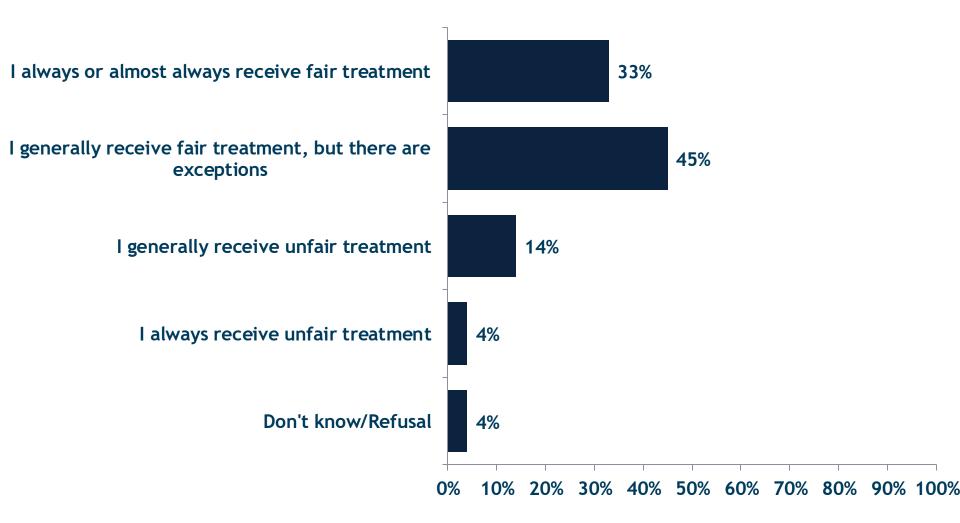


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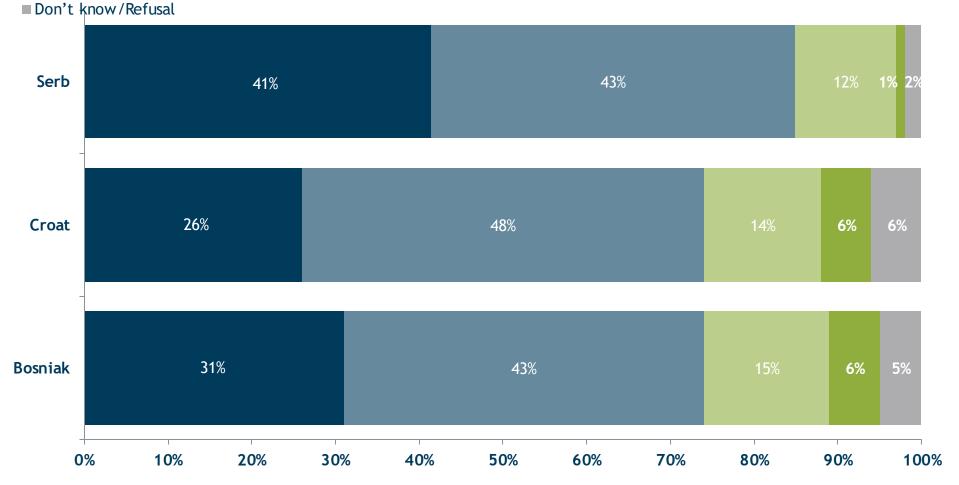
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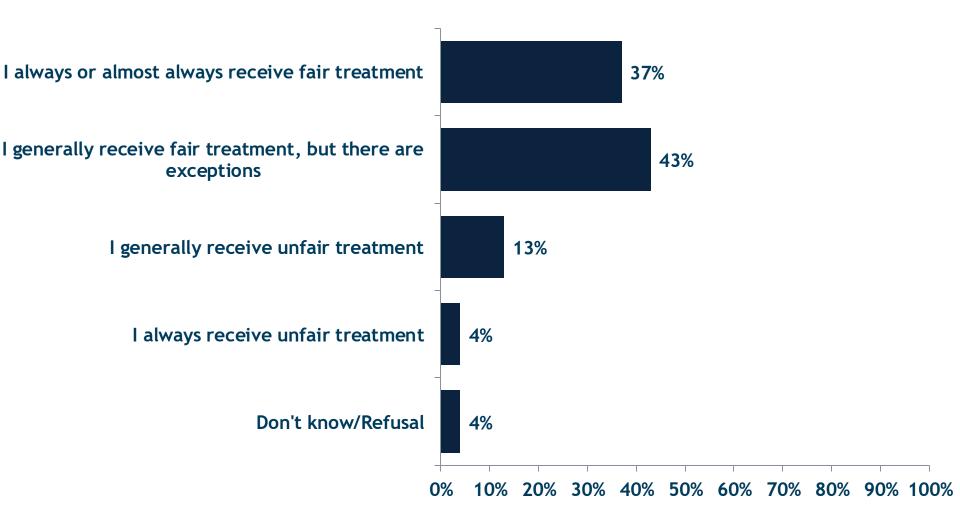
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- I generally receive fair treatment, but there are exceptions
- I always receive unfair treatment



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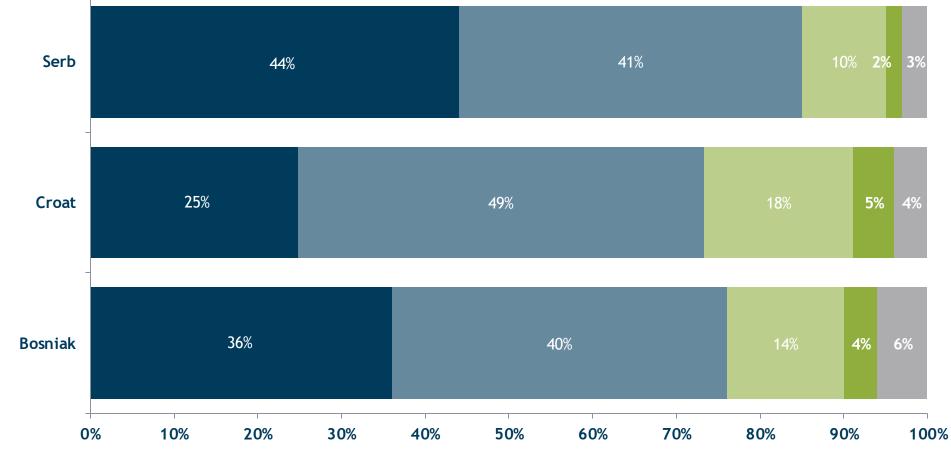


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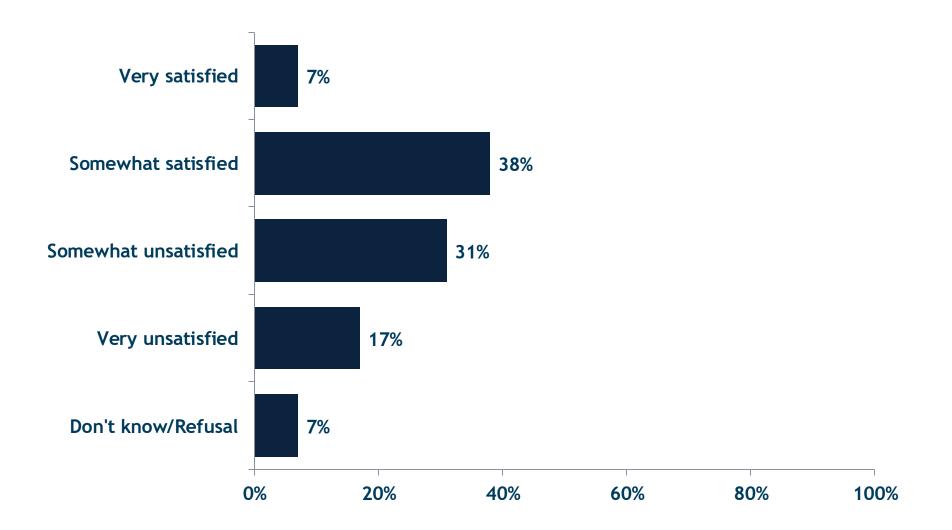
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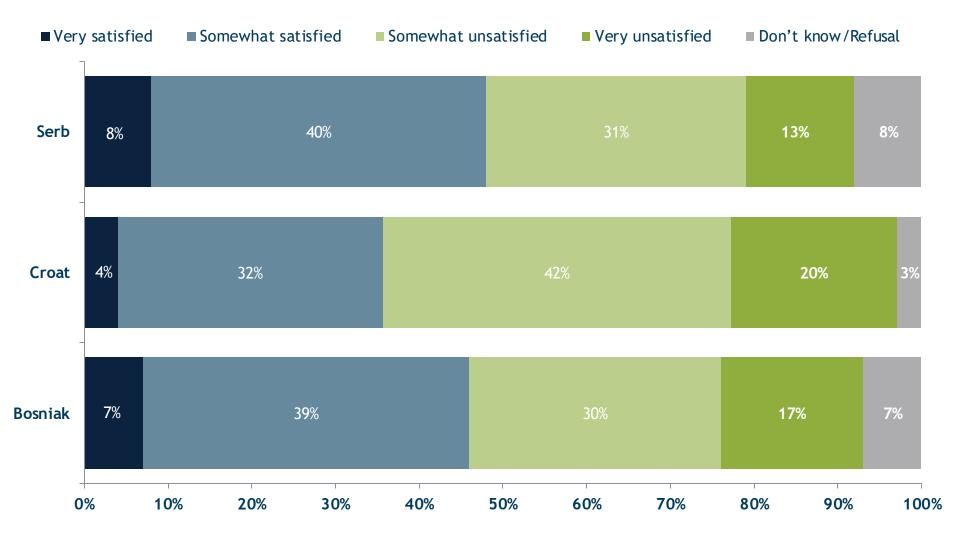
■ Don't know/Refusal



If you have a concern about a government service, department, or employee, how satisfied are you with the options available to you to address this concern?



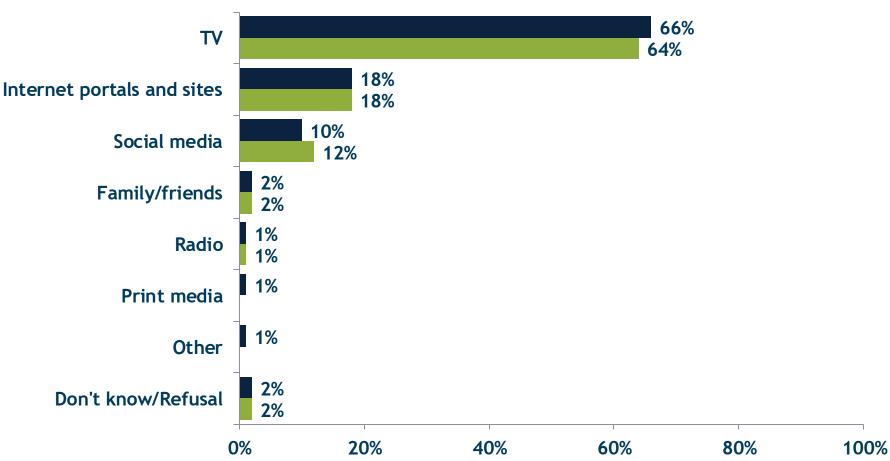
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### Media Preferences



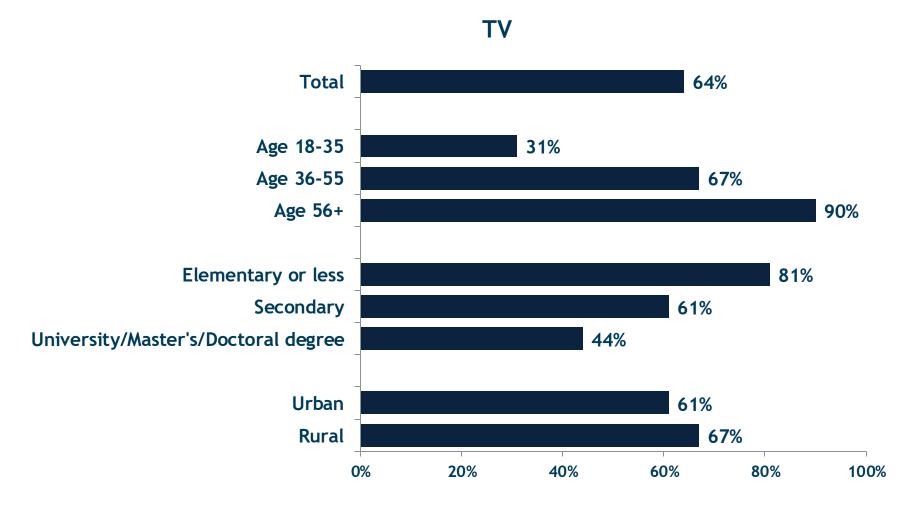
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#### **2019**

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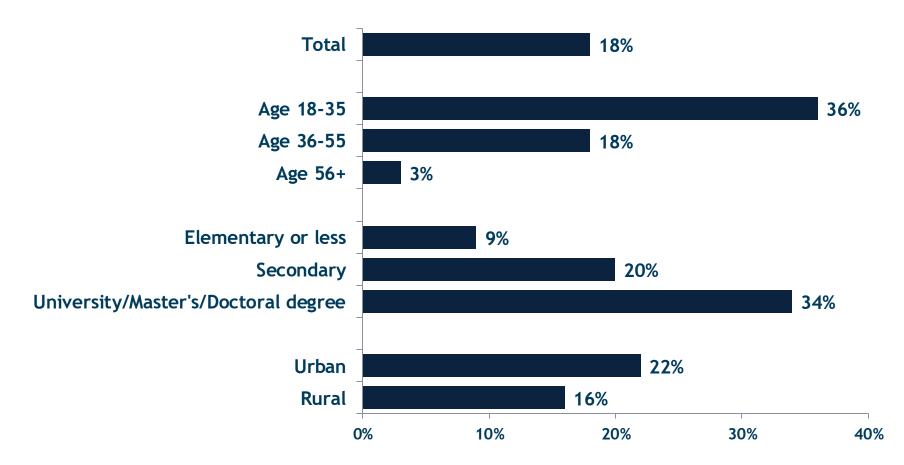
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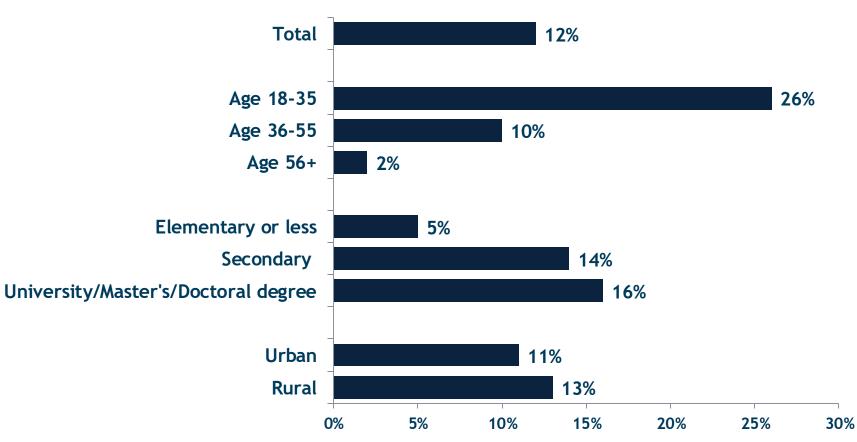
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#### Internet portals and sites



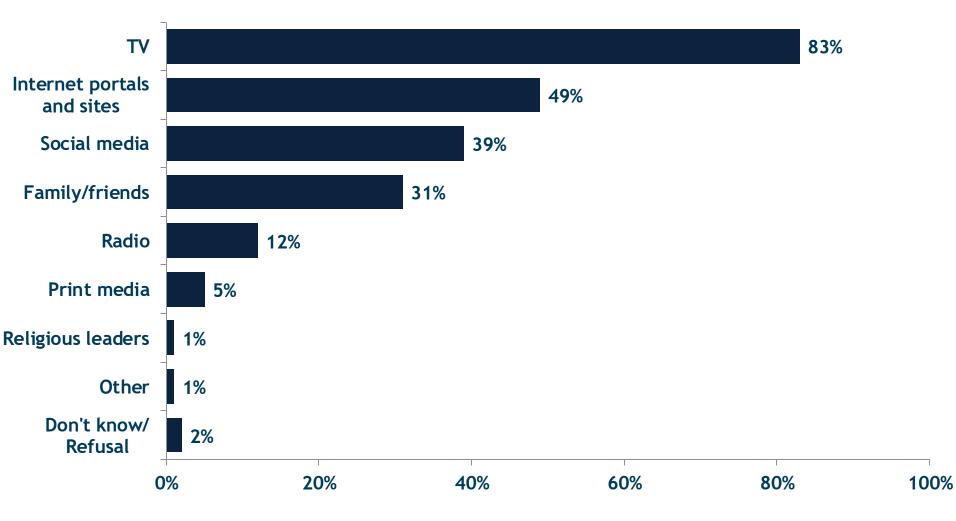
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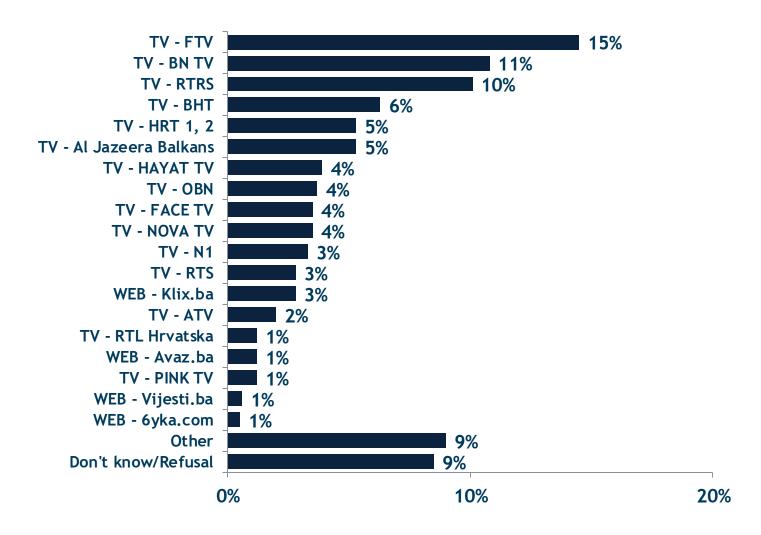
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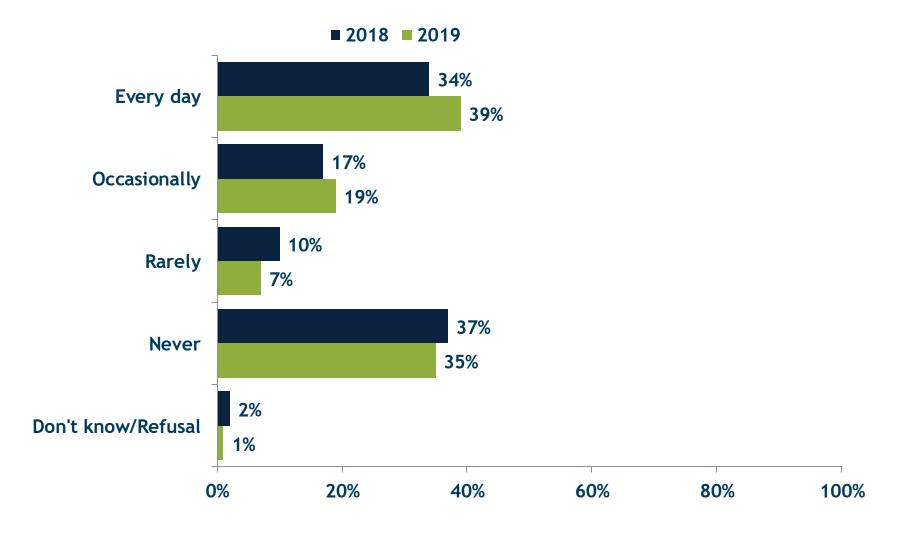


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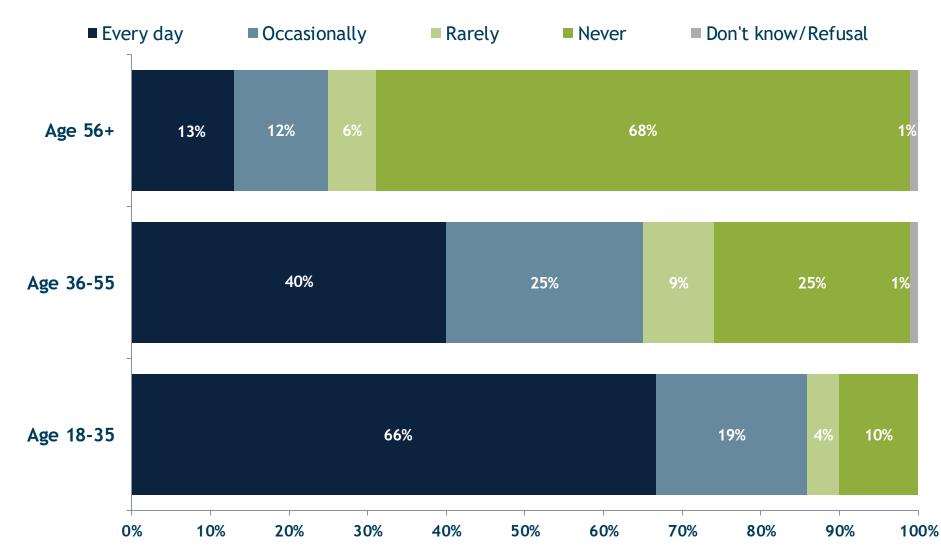
### Which specific media outlet do you trust the most for your news? (Spontaneous response)



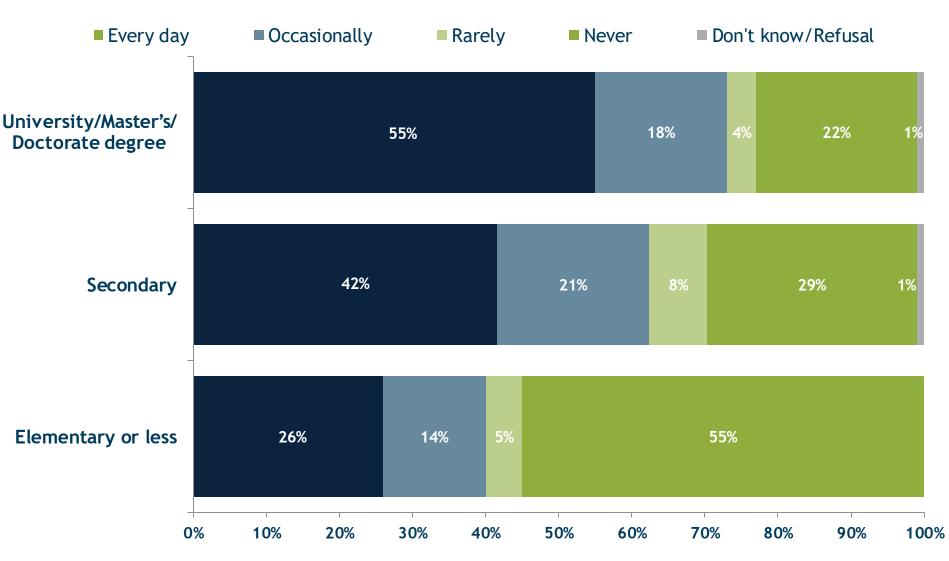
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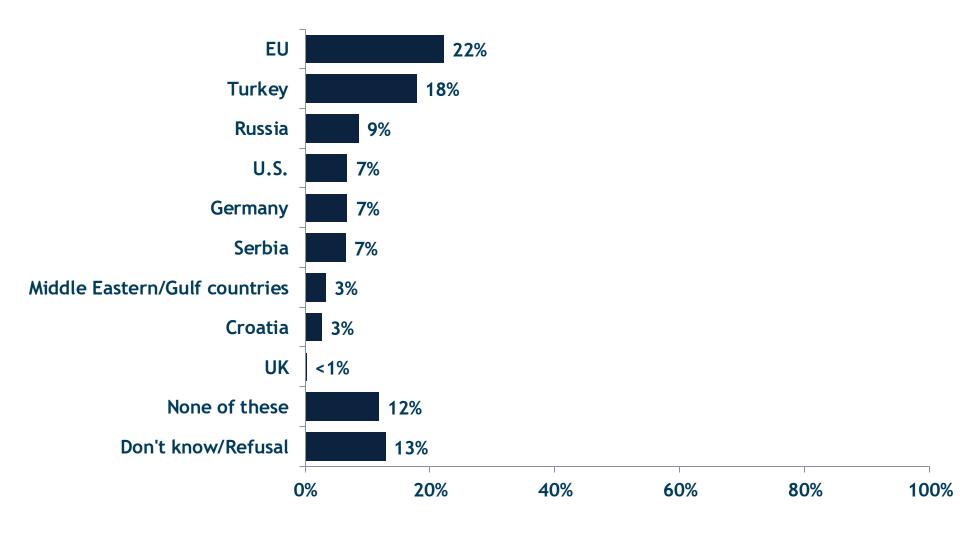
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## Foreign Influence



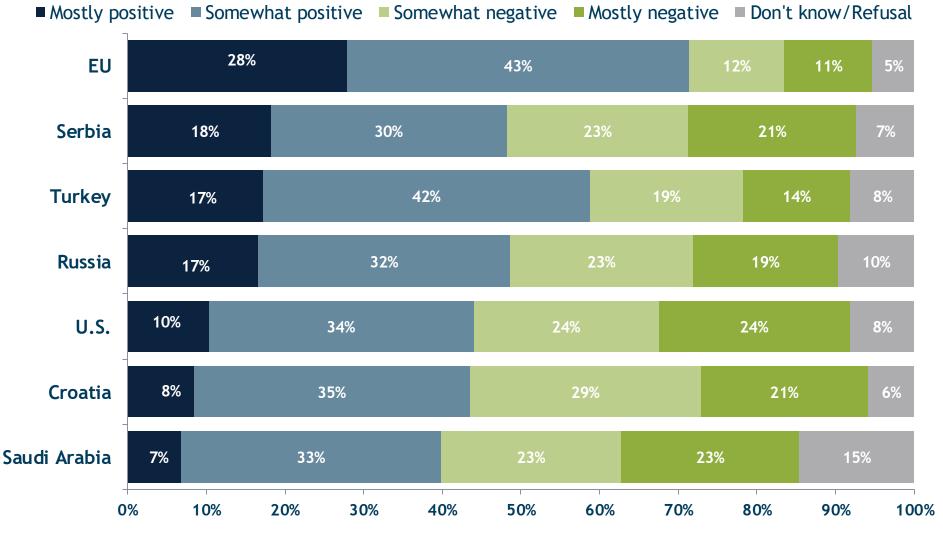
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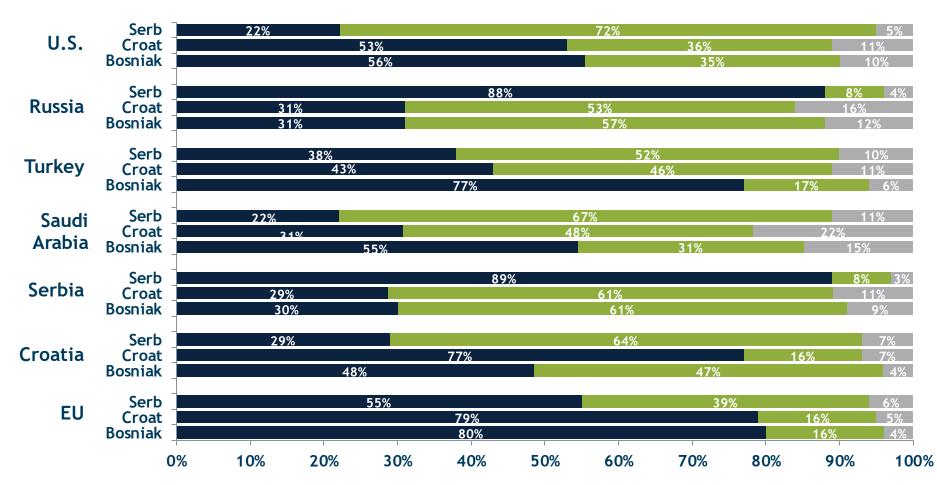
Answers	Bosniak	Croat	Serb	Total
EU	25%	23%	17%	22%
Turkey	<b>29</b> %	5%	5%	18%
Russia	1%	2%	24%	9%
Germany	7%	13%	4%	7%
U.S.	7%	8%	6%	7%
Serbia	0%	1%	<b>19</b> %	7%
Middle Eastern/Gulf countries	3%	5%	4%	3%
Croatia	1%	22%	0%	3%
ик	0%	1%	0%	0%
None of these	15%	6%	<b>9</b> %	12%
Don't know/Refusal	12%	15%	11%	13%

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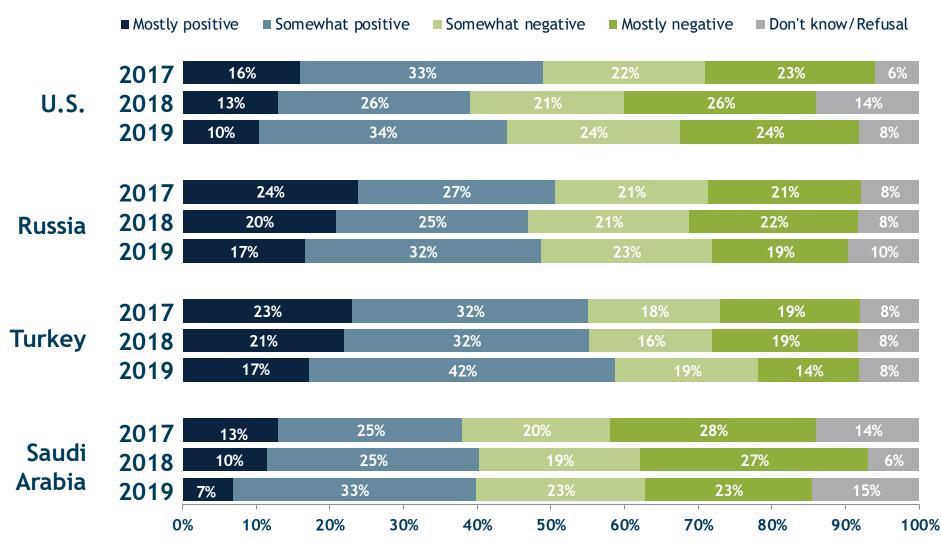


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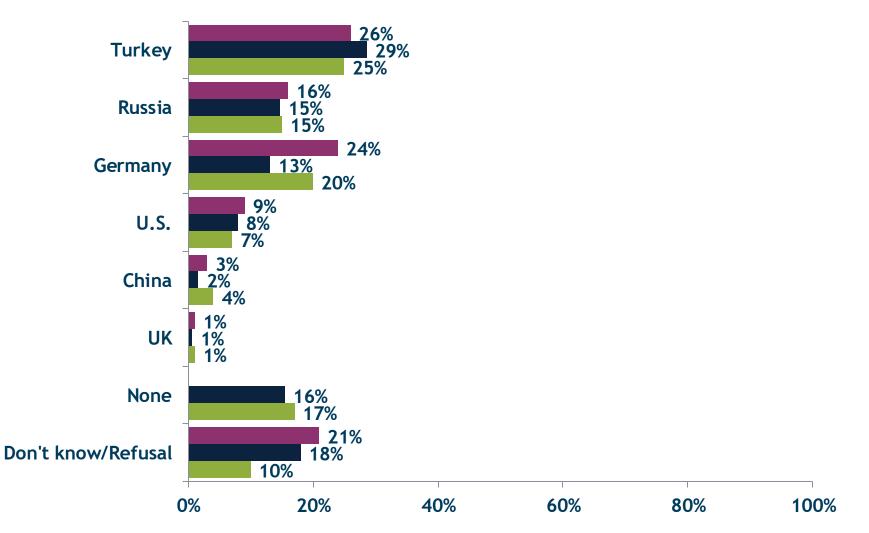


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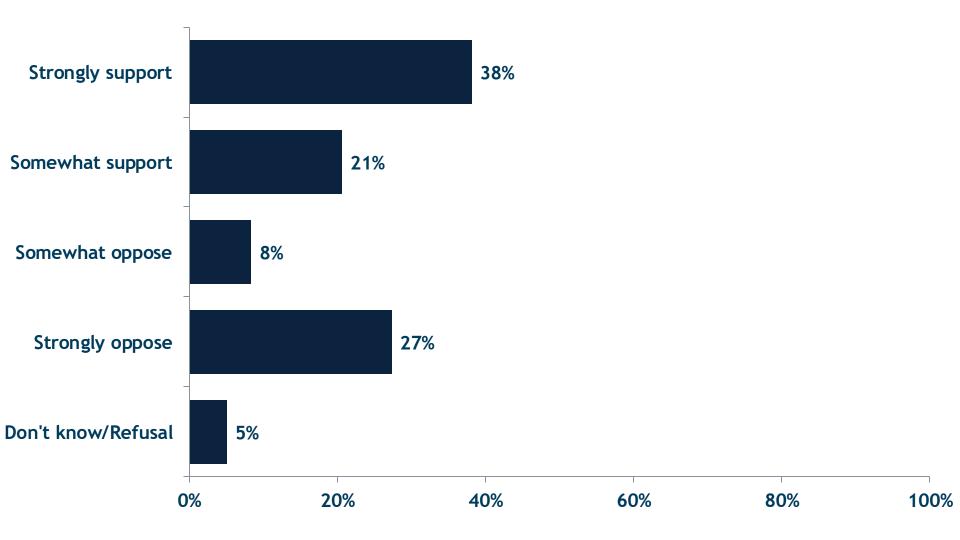
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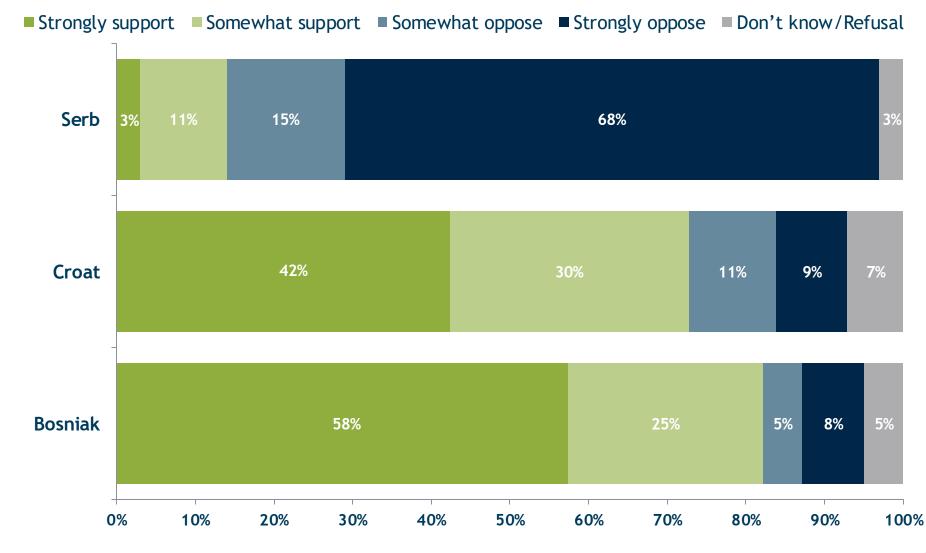
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Answers	Bosniak	Croat	Serb	Total
Turkey	40%	11%	7%	25%
Germany	21%	43%	9%	20%
Russia	1%	4%	44%	15%
U.S.	7%	13%	6%	7%
China	1%	3%	10%	4%
υκ	1%	2%	1%	1%
None	18%	13%	16%	17%
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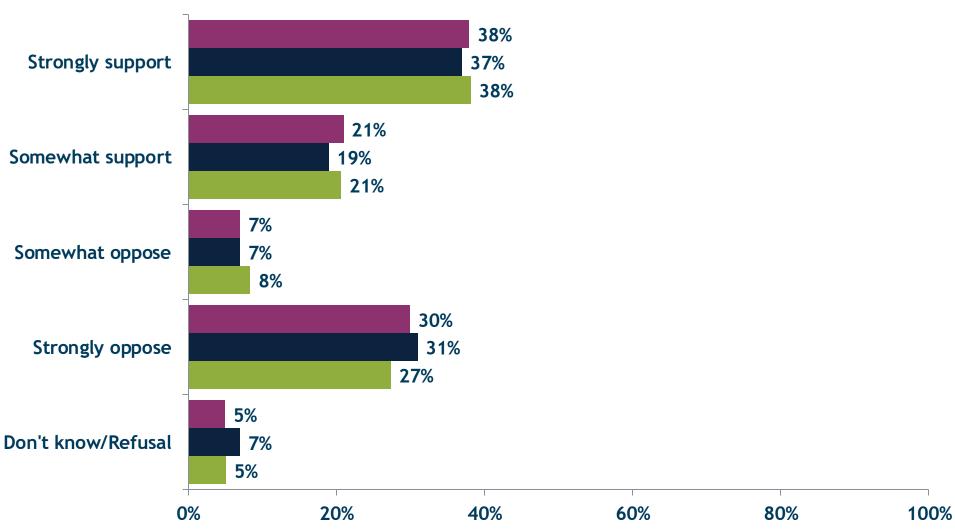
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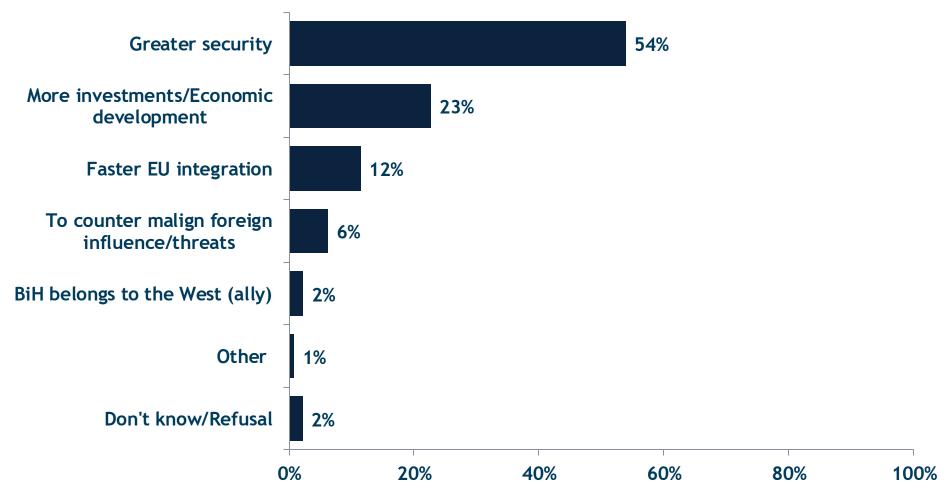
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■ 2017 ■ 2018 ■ 2019

## Why do you support BiH's accession?

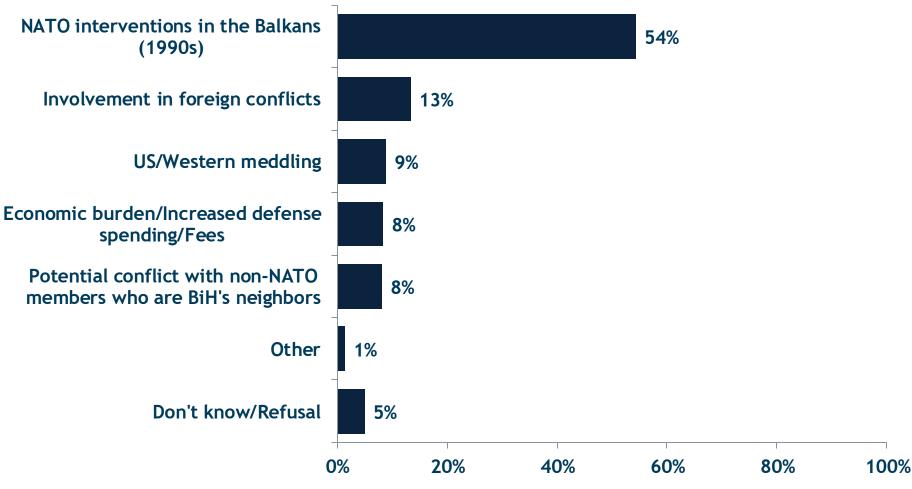
## (Respondents who strongly and somewhat support BiH's accession to NATO: n=1,292; spontaneous response)



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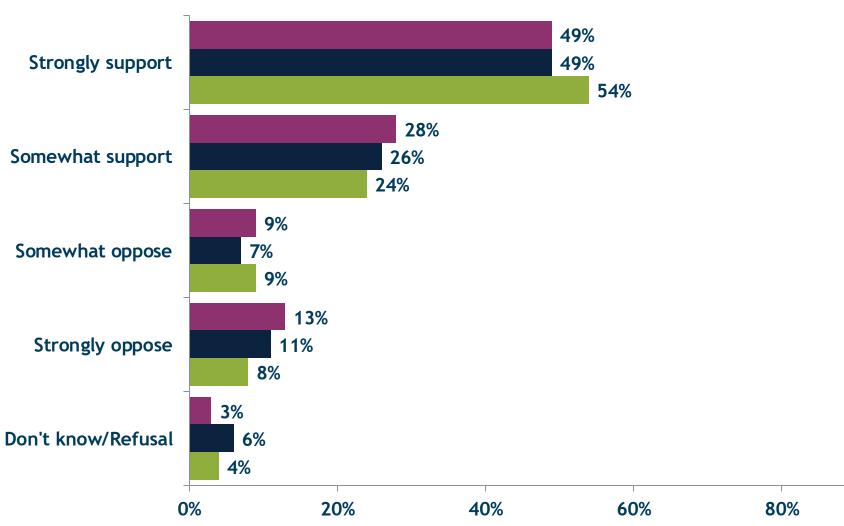
## Why do you oppose BiH's accession?

(Respondents who strongly and somewhat oppose BiH's accession to NATO: n=784; spontaneous response)



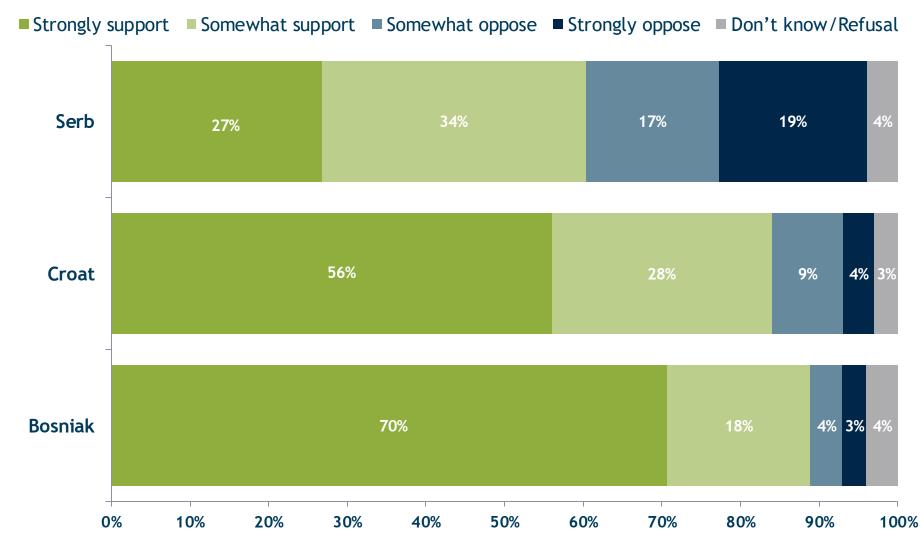
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### To what extent do you support or oppose BiH's accession to the EU?



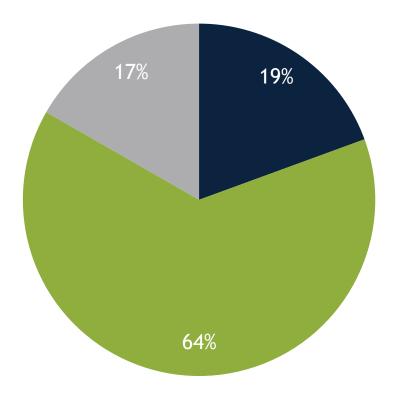
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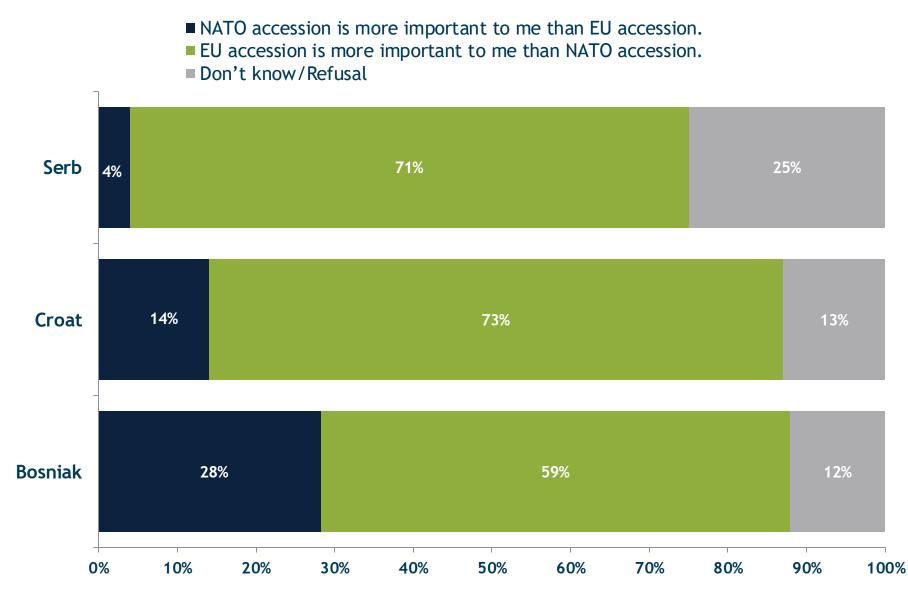


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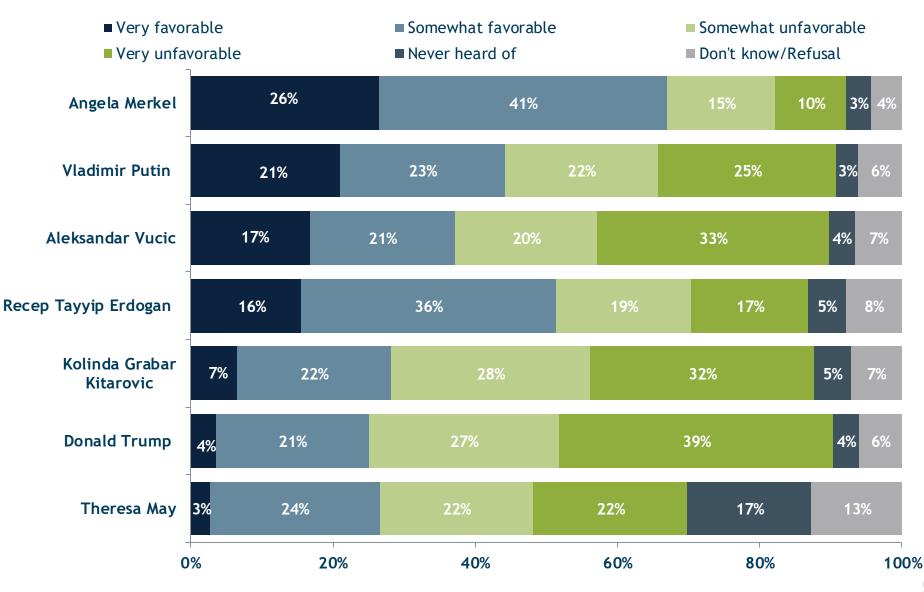
- NATO accession is more important to me than EU accession.
- EU accession is more important to me than NATO accession.
- Don't know/Refusal



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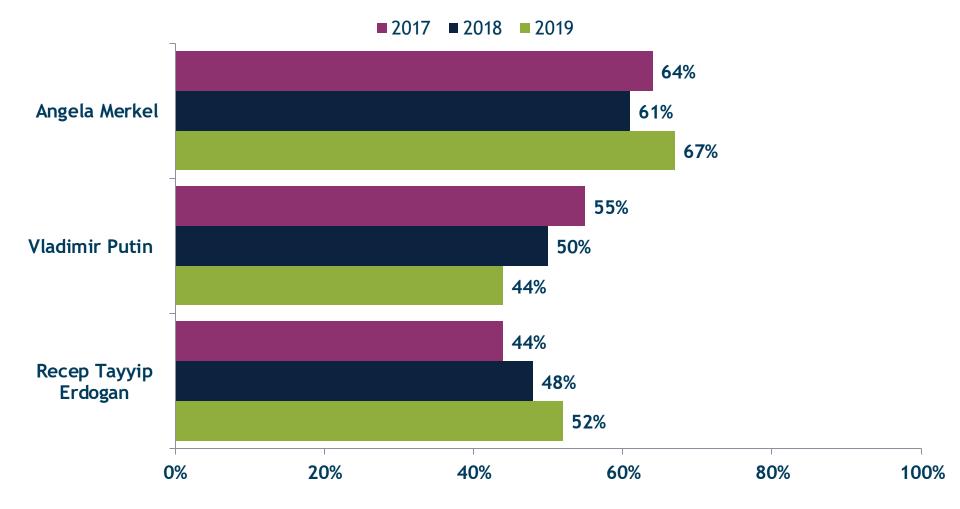


#### Do you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable or very unfavorable opinion of the following world and regional leaders?



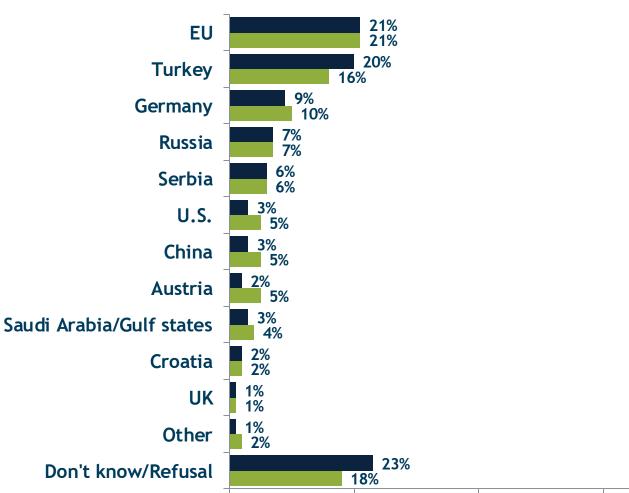
#### Do you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable or very unfavorable opinion of the following world and regional leaders?

Answers: very favorable + somewhat favorable



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## Who is the biggest foreign investor in BiH?



20%

40%

**60%** 

80%

0%

**2018 2019** 

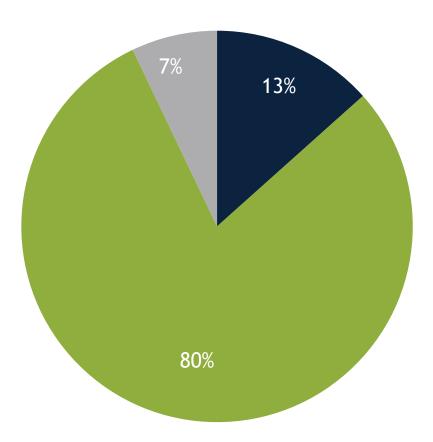
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Serbia	<1%	2%	17%	6%
U.S.	6%	11%	3%	5%
China	1%	3%	11%	5%
Austria	6%	2%	3%	5%
Saudi Arabia/Gulf states	3%	2%	5%	4%
Croatia	1%	16%	<1%	2%
UK	1%	1%	<1%	1%
Other	1%	0%	1%	2%
Don't know/Refusal	19%	15%	14%	18%

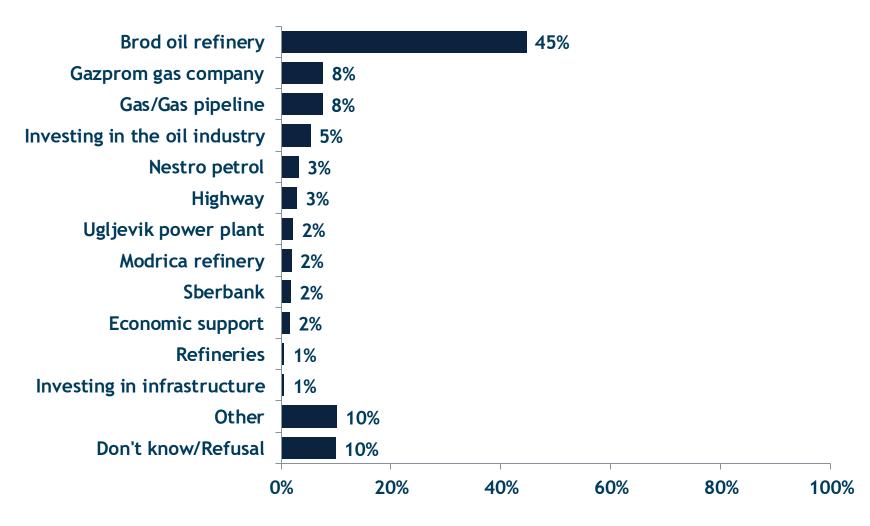
### Are you aware of any major Russian investments in BiH?

■ Yes ■ No ■ Don't know/Refusal



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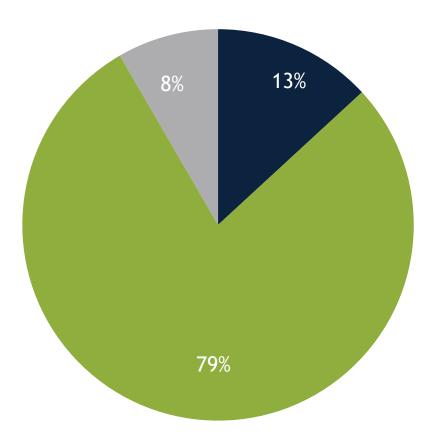
(Respondents aware of any major Russian investment in BiH: n=293; spontaneous response)



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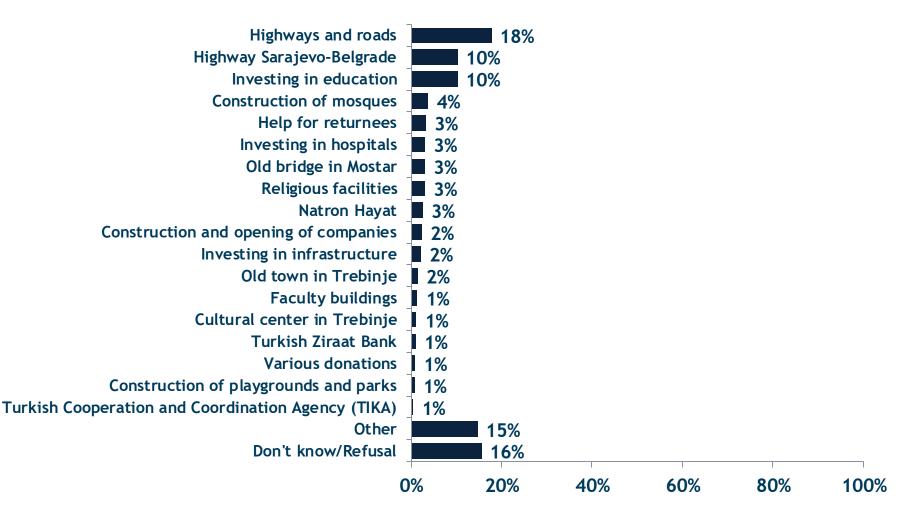
### Are you aware of any major Turkish investments in BiH?





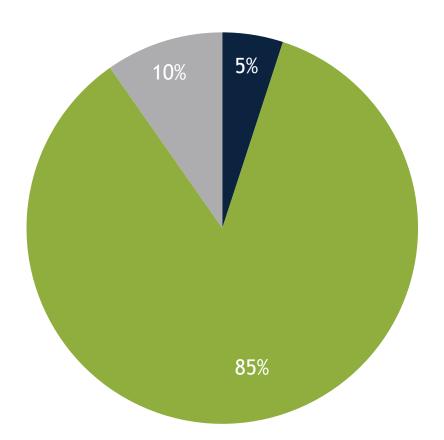
## Which major Turkish investment are you aware of?

(Respondents aware of any major Turkish investment in BiH: n=280; spontaneous response)



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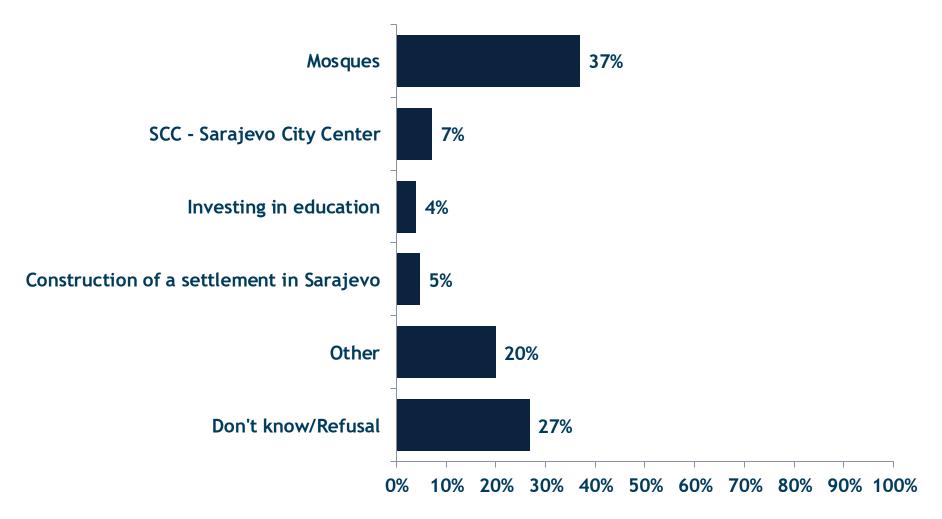
#### Are you aware of any major investments from Saudi Arabia or other Gulf states in BiH?



■ Yes ■ No ■ Don't know/Refusal

### Which major investments from Saudi Arabia or other Gulf states are you aware of?

(Respondents aware of any major investments from Saudi Arabia or other Gulf states in BiH: n=110; spontaneous response)



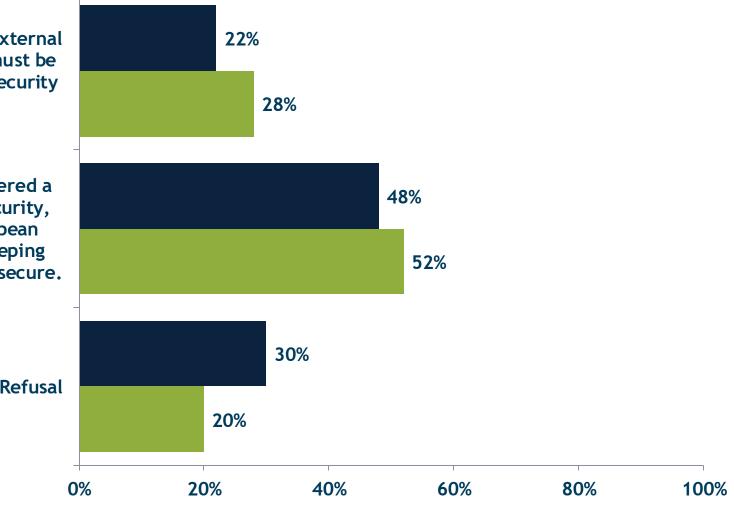
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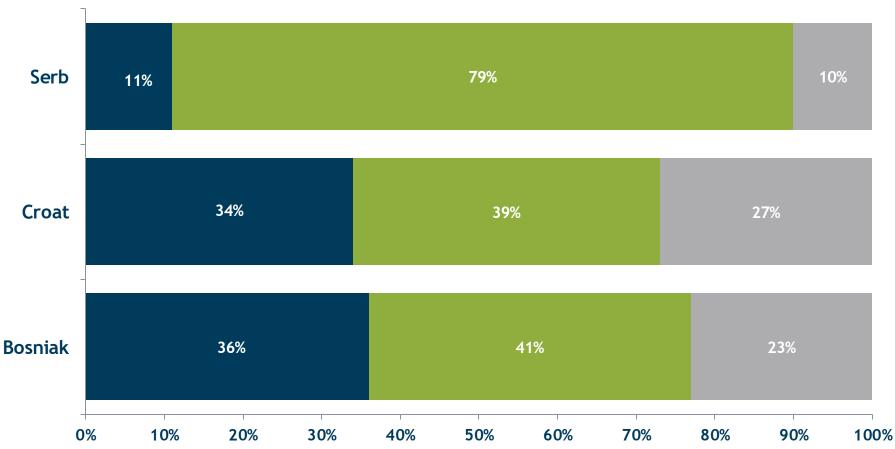
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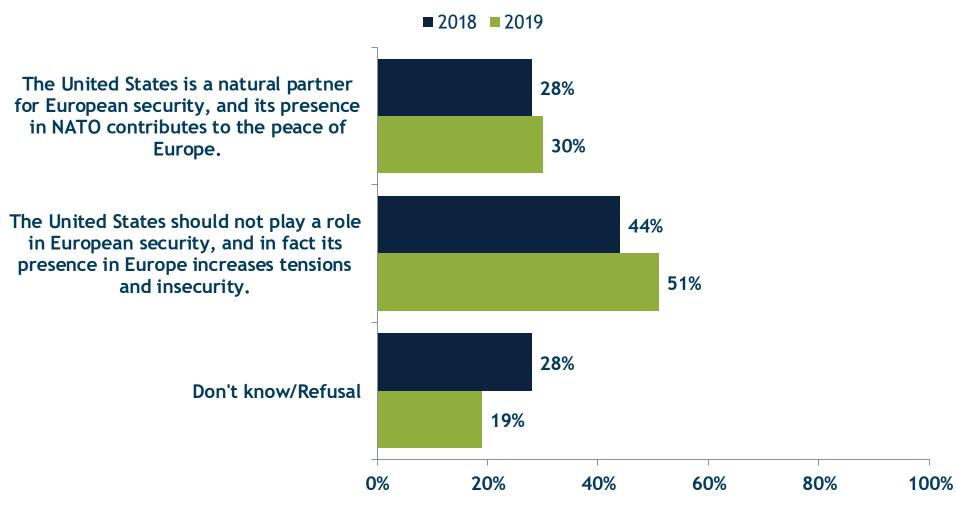
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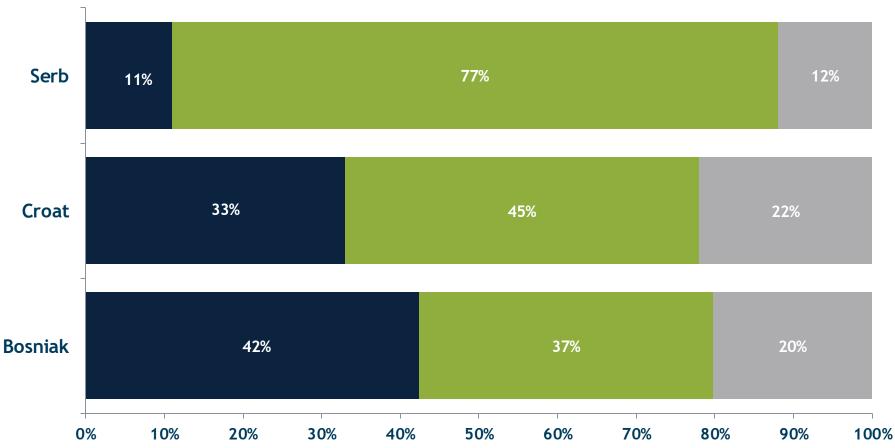


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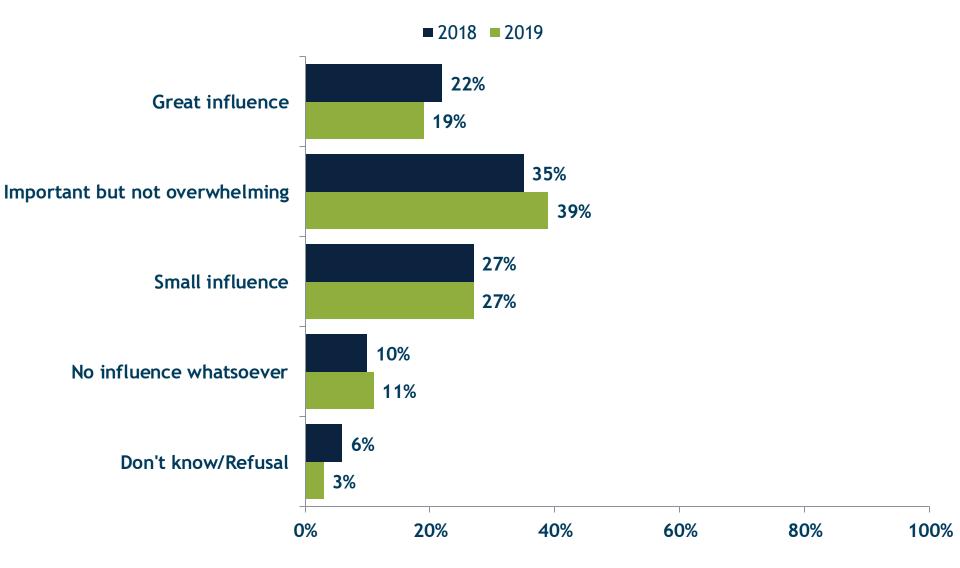
- The United States is a natural partner for European security, and its presence in NATO contributes to the peace of Europe.
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- Don't know/Refusal



## **Religious Views**

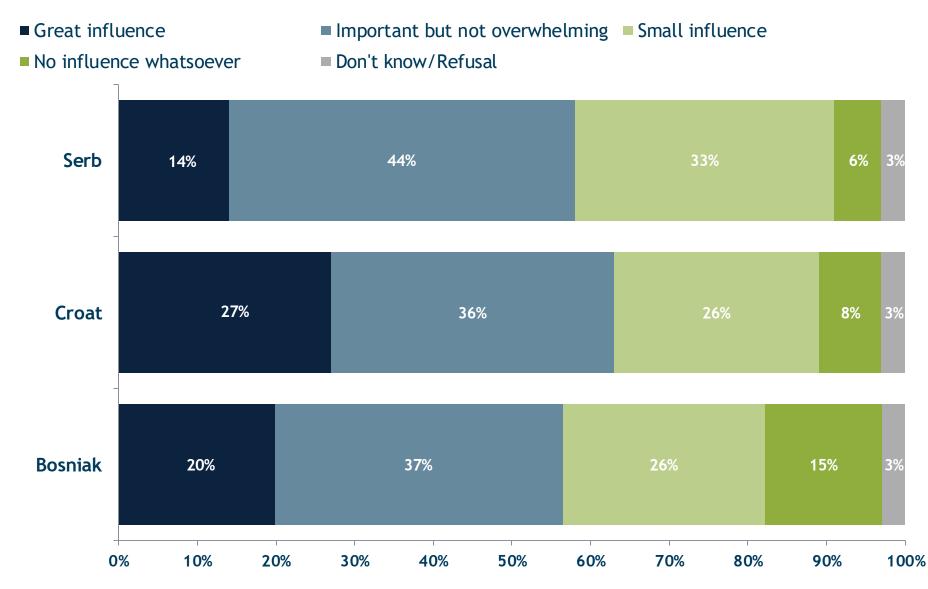


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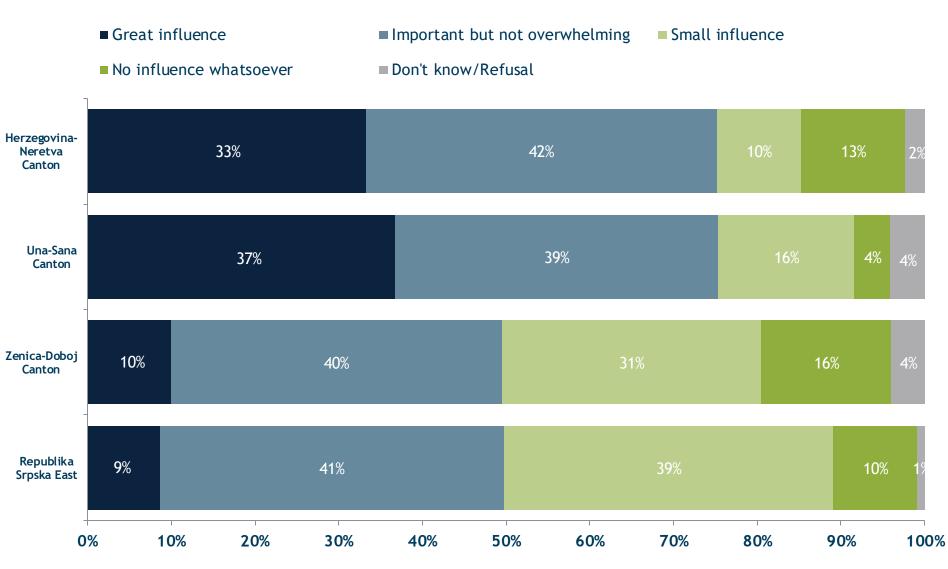


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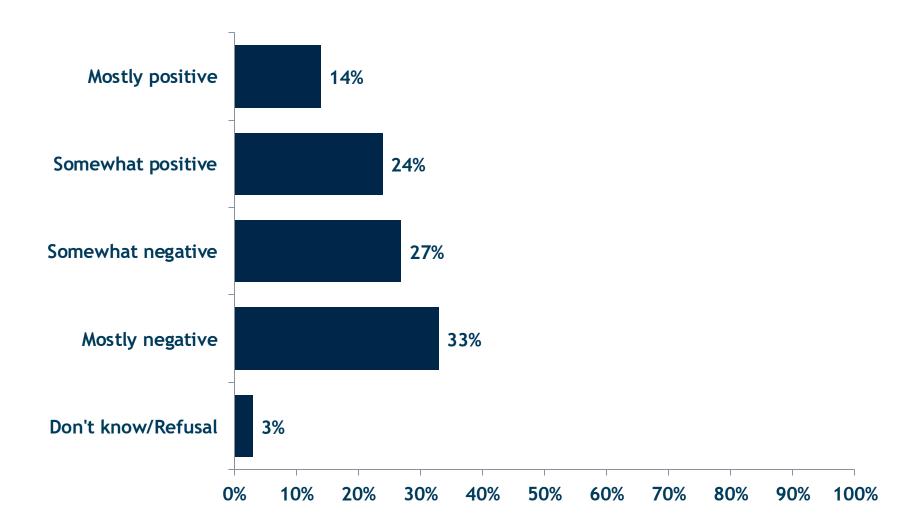


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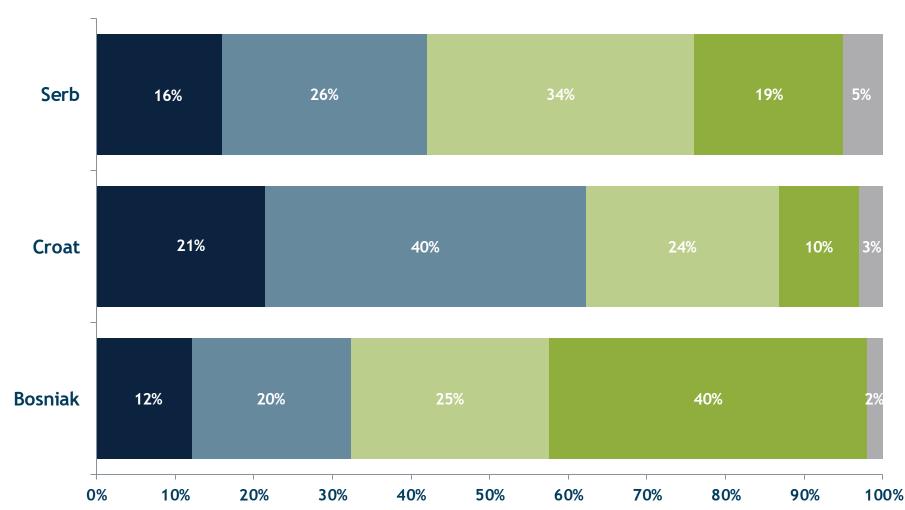


#### How would you evaluate that influence?

(Respondents who answer "Great influence" in reference to the influence of religious communities in the country: n=421)

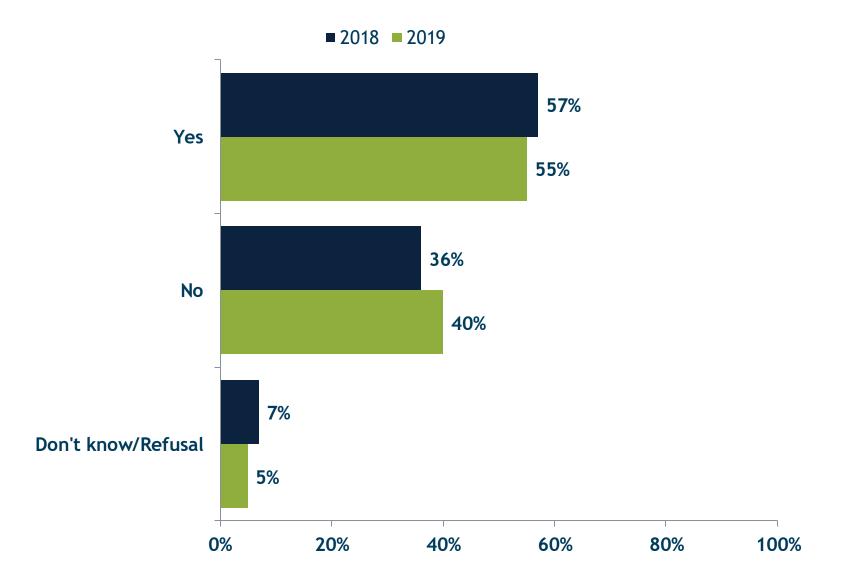


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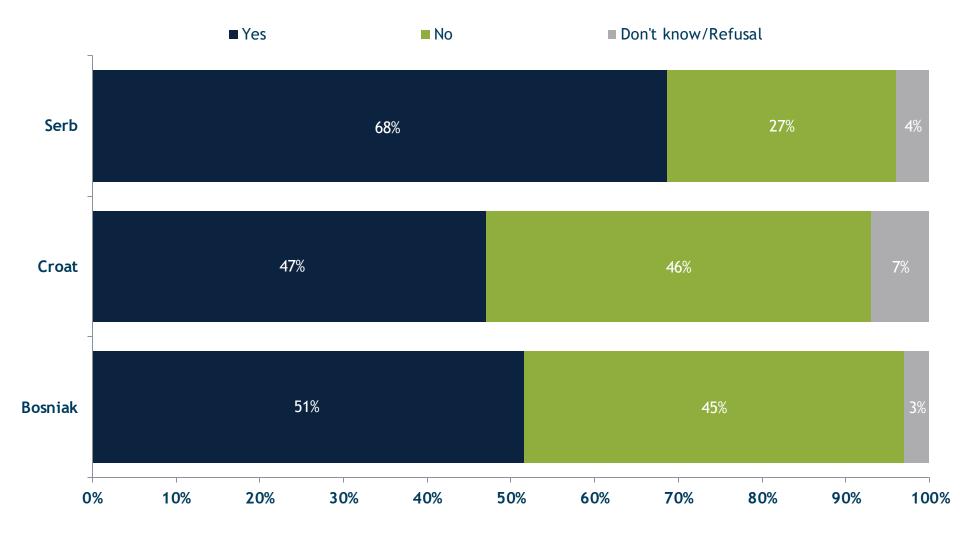


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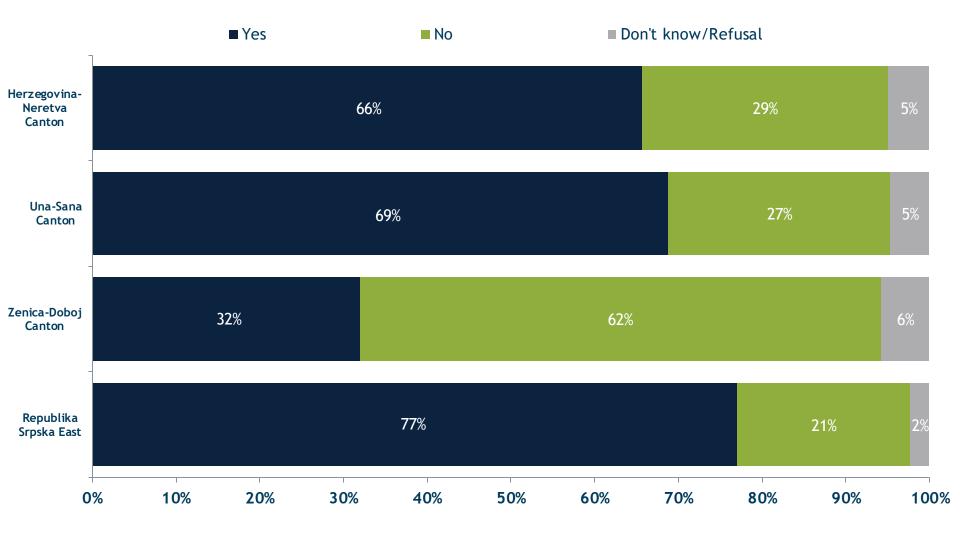
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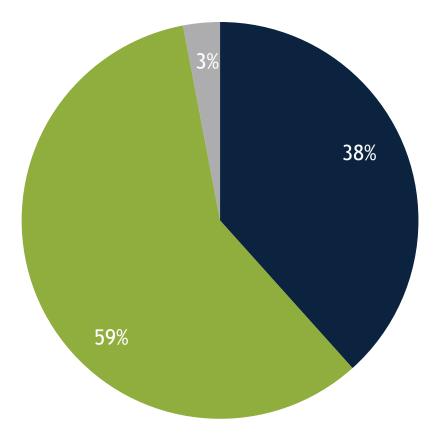
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#### Radicalization, Extremism and BiH Fighters on Foreign Battlegrounds

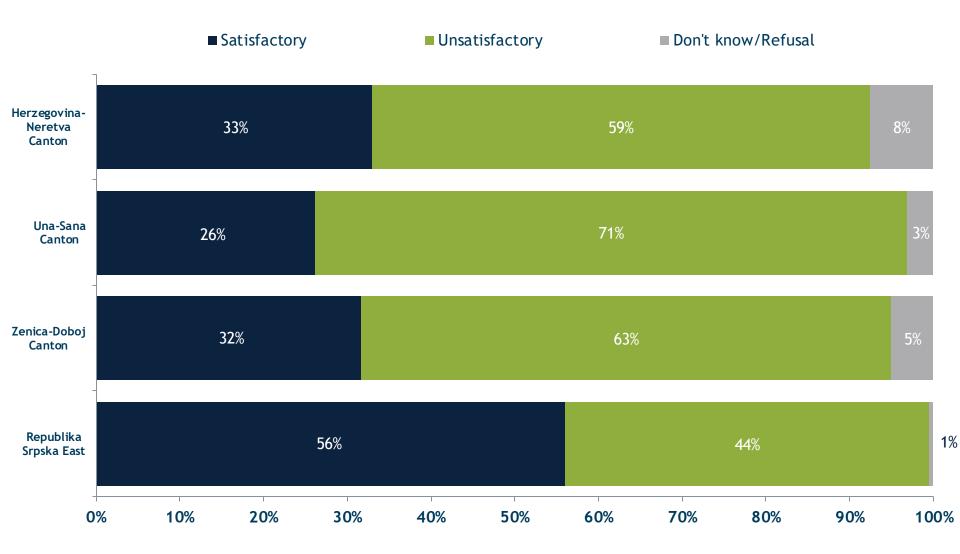


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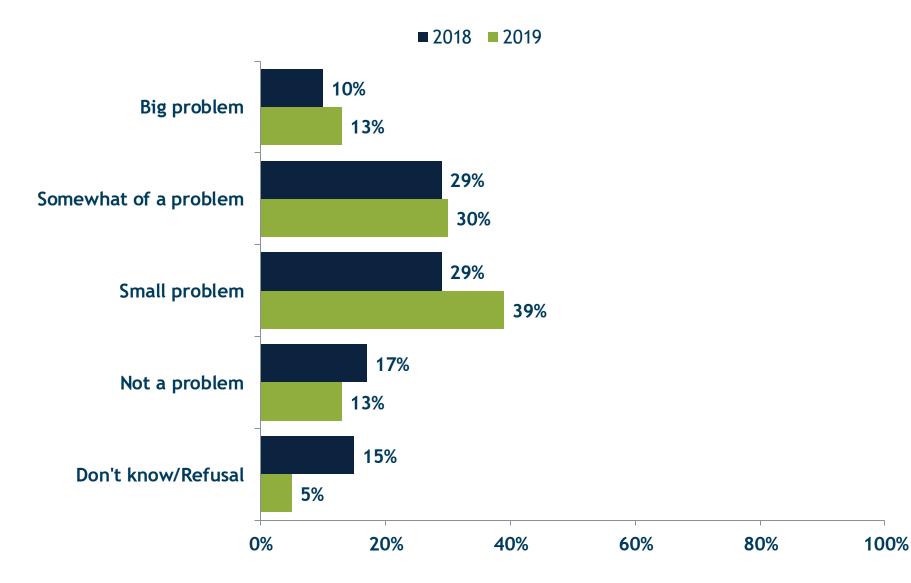


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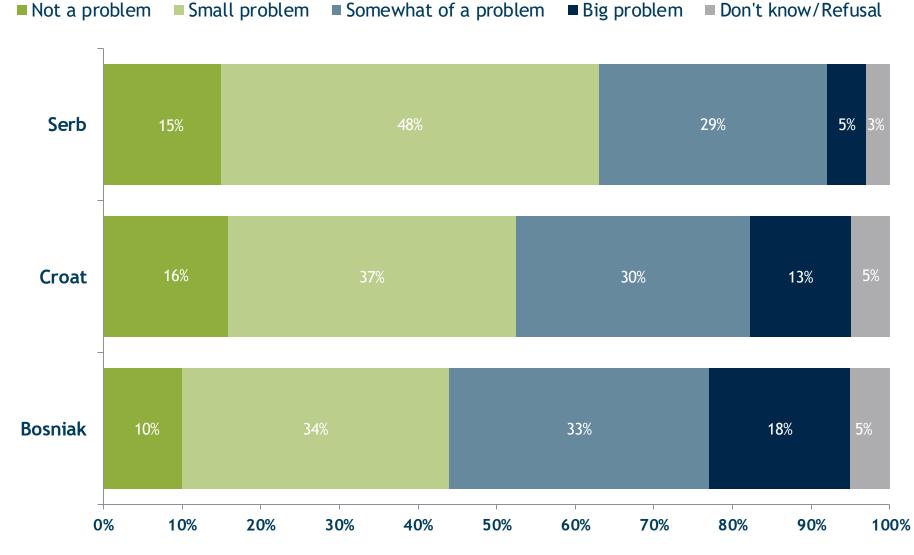
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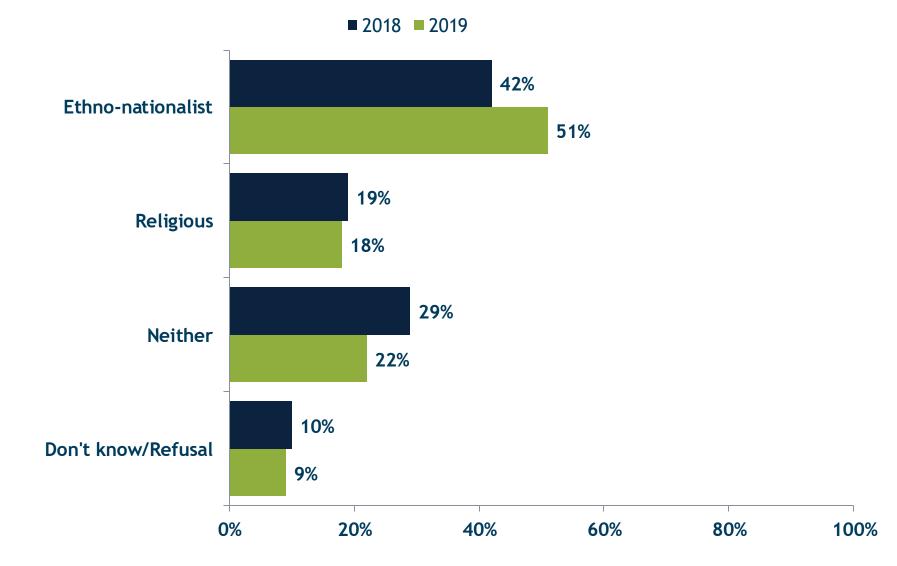
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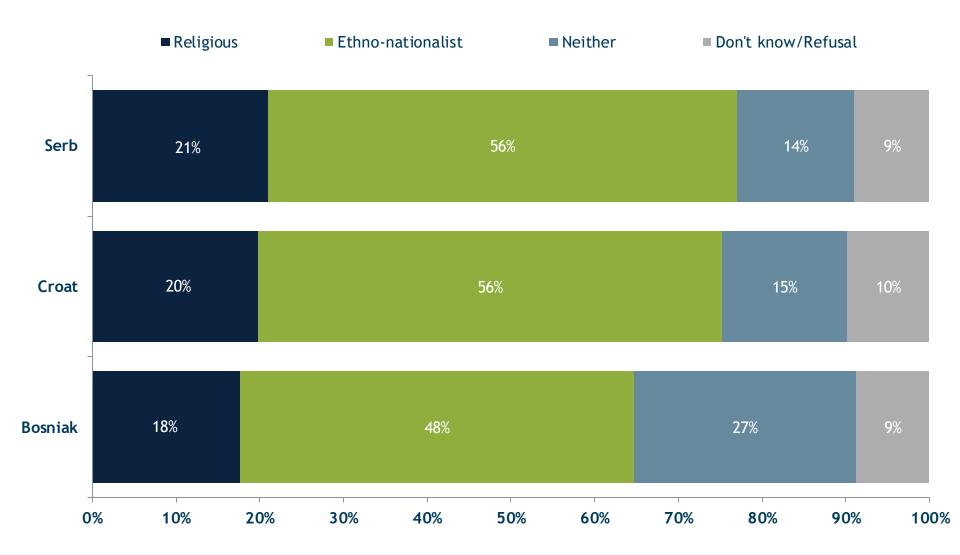
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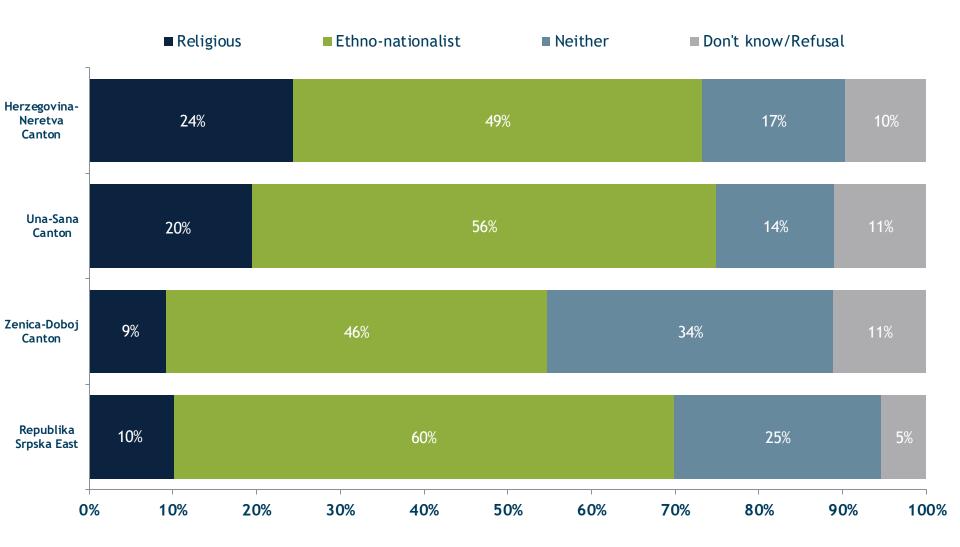
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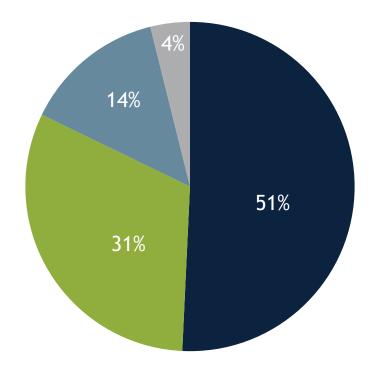


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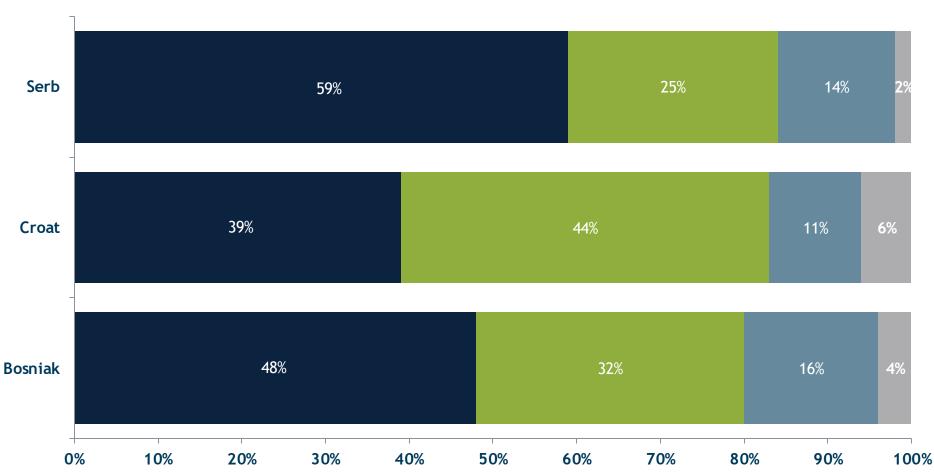


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- Have gotten worse
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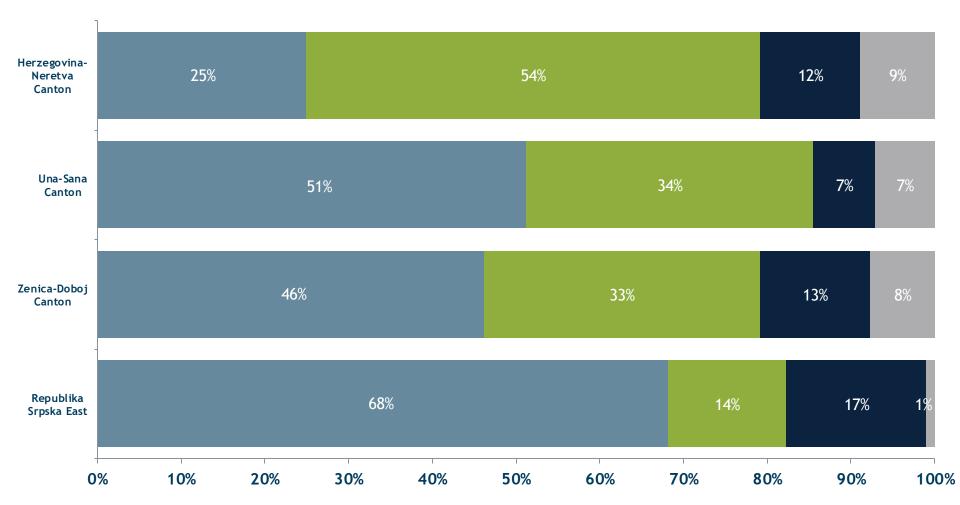
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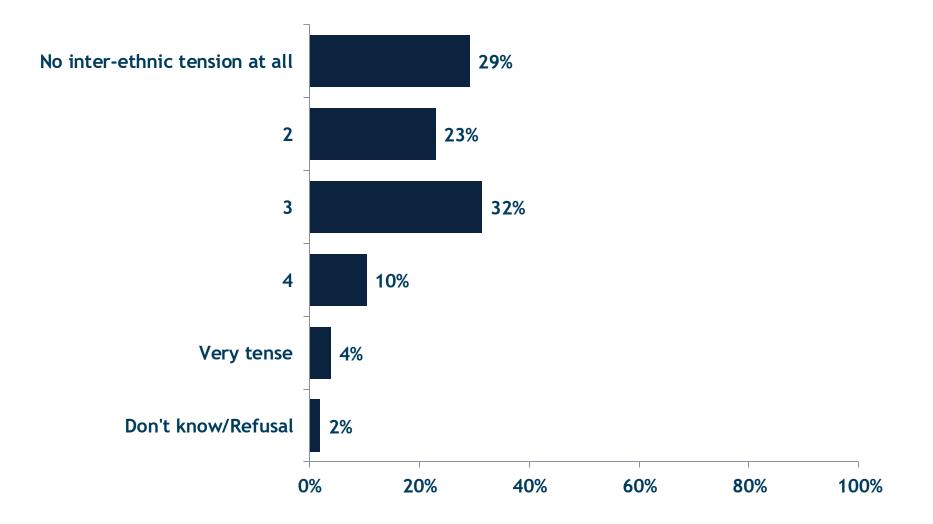
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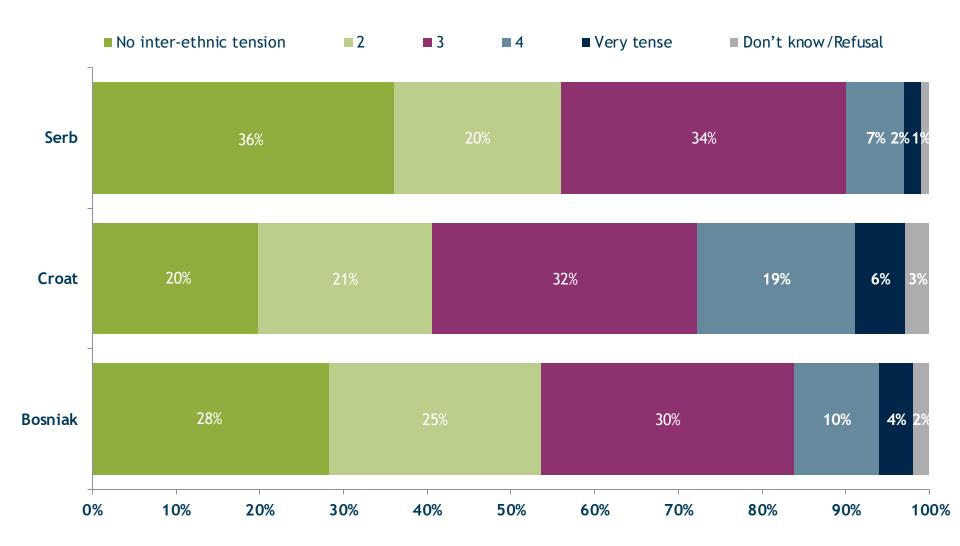
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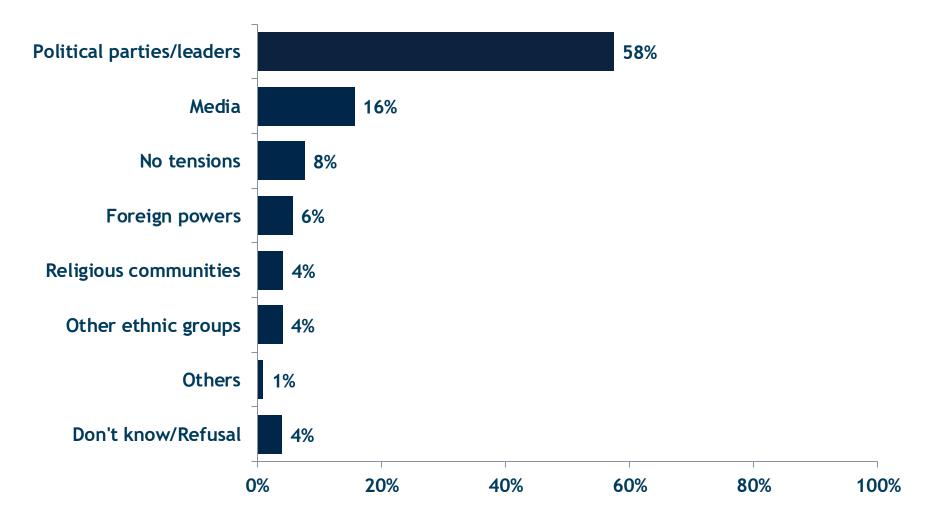
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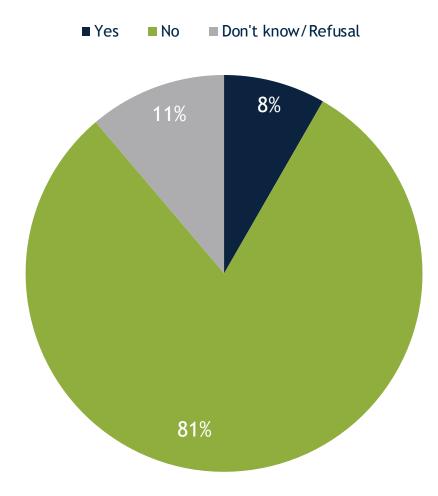
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Answers	Bosniak	Croat	Serb	Total
Political parties/Leaders	54%	58%	62%	58%
Media	16%	17%	15%	16%
Foreign powers	4%	5%	9%	6%
Religious communities	4%	6%	4%	4%
Other ethnic groups	5%	8%	2%	4%
No tensions	11%	4%	4%	8%
Others	1%	0%	2%	1%
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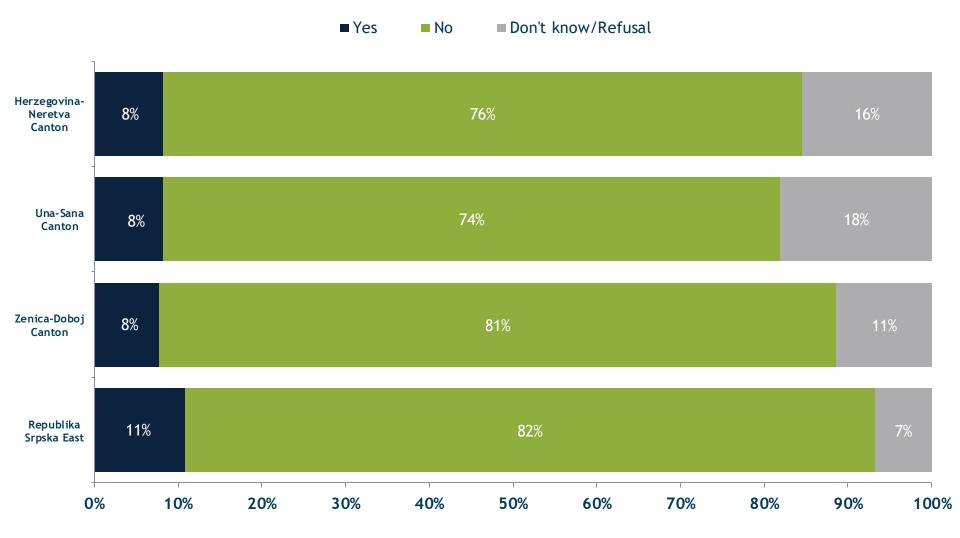
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Answers	Herzegovina- Neretva Canton	Una-Sana Canton	Zenica-Doboj Canton	Republika Srpska East	Total
Political parties/Leaders	65%	78%	52%	58%	58%
Media	9%	15%	8%	14%	16%
Religious communities	<b>9</b> %	0%	7%	5%	4%
Other ethnic groups	8%	0%	10%	4%	4%
Foreign powers	3%	3%	4%	11%	6%
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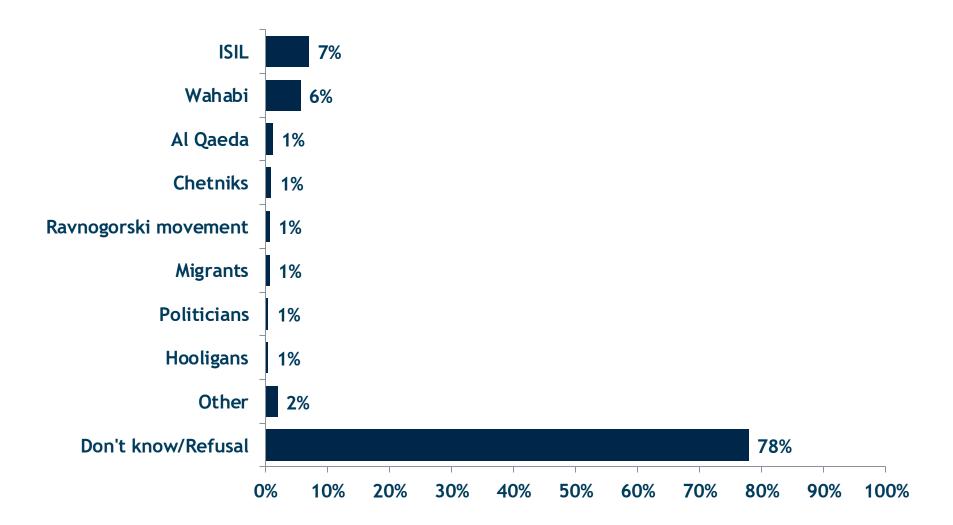
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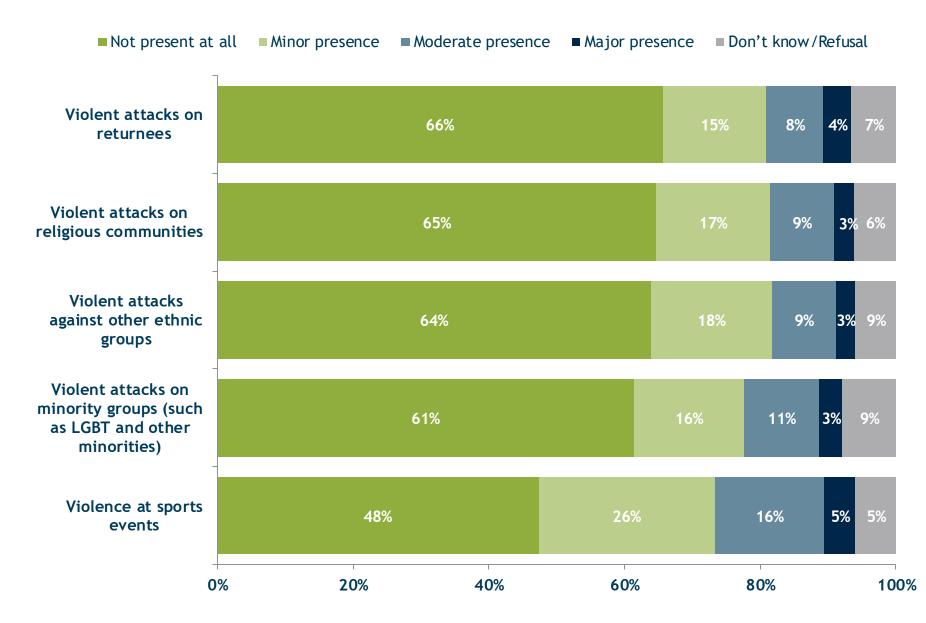
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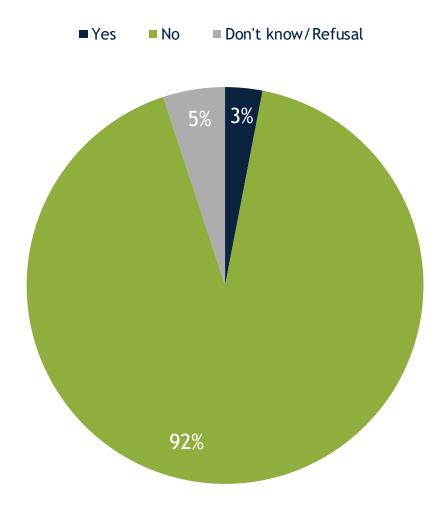
#### Can you name one or more groups which you consider extremist? (Spontaneous response)



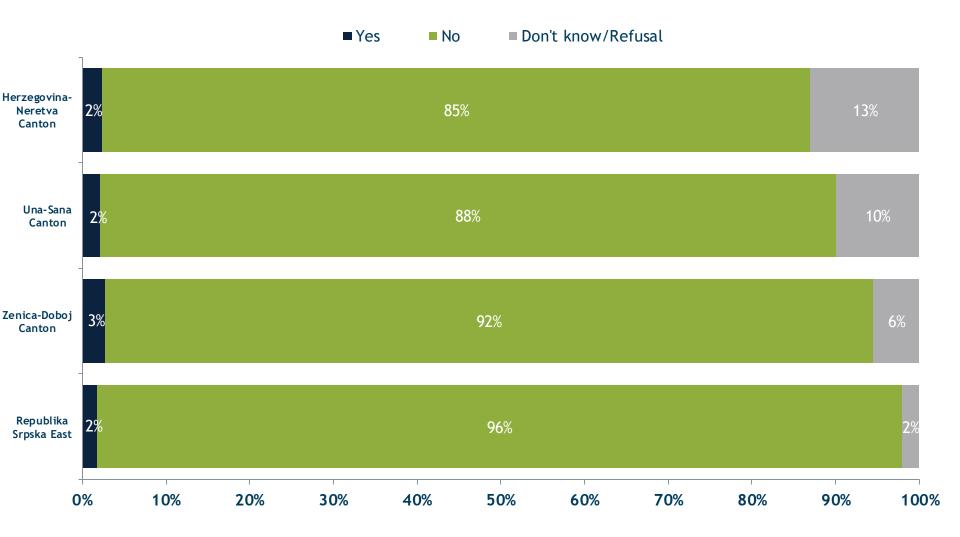
## Which of the following manifestations of violent extremism is present in your town/city?



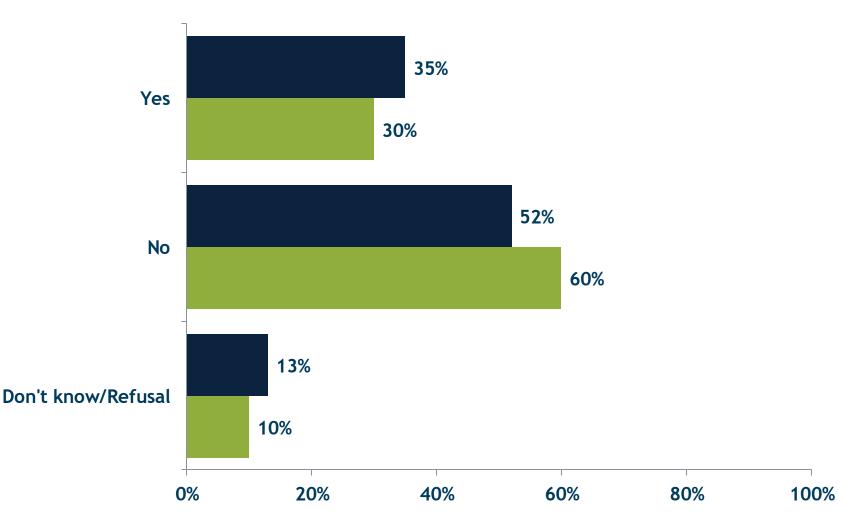
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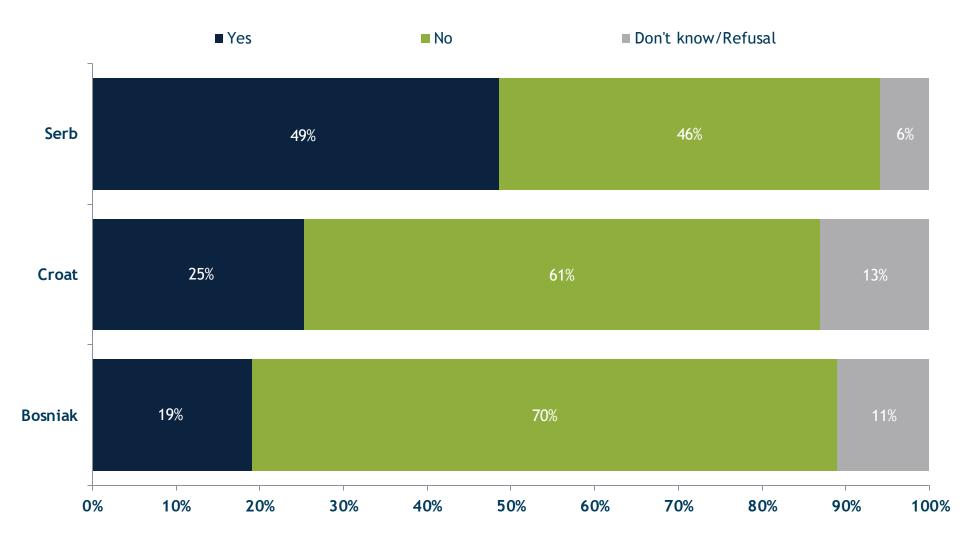


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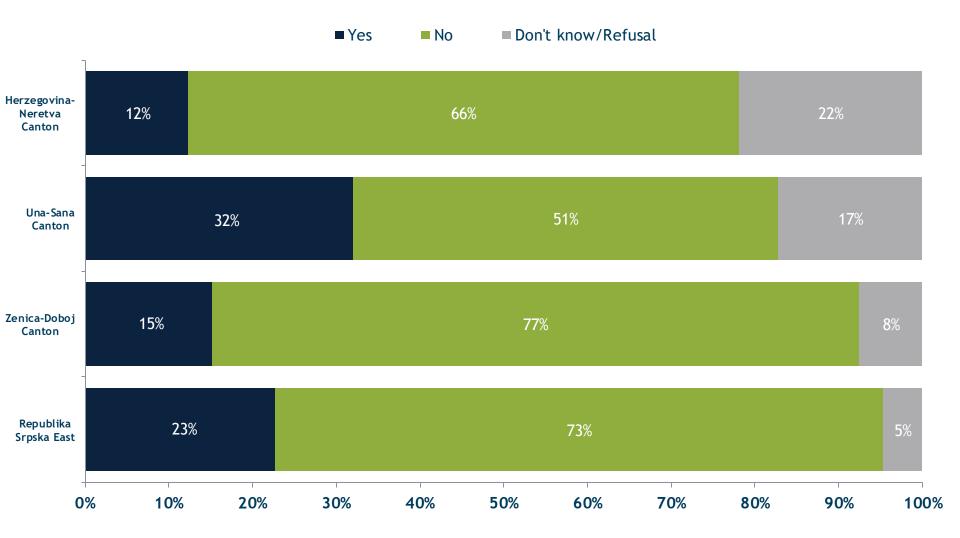


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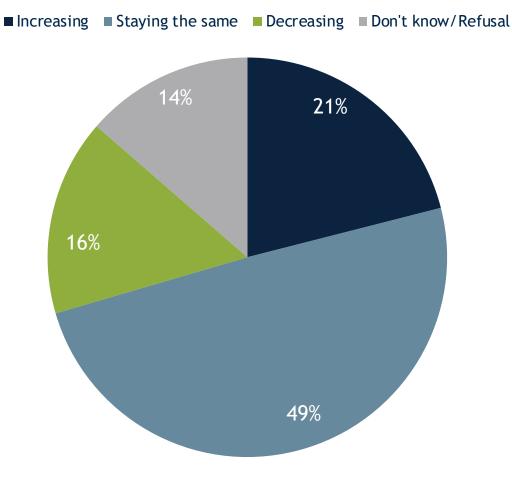
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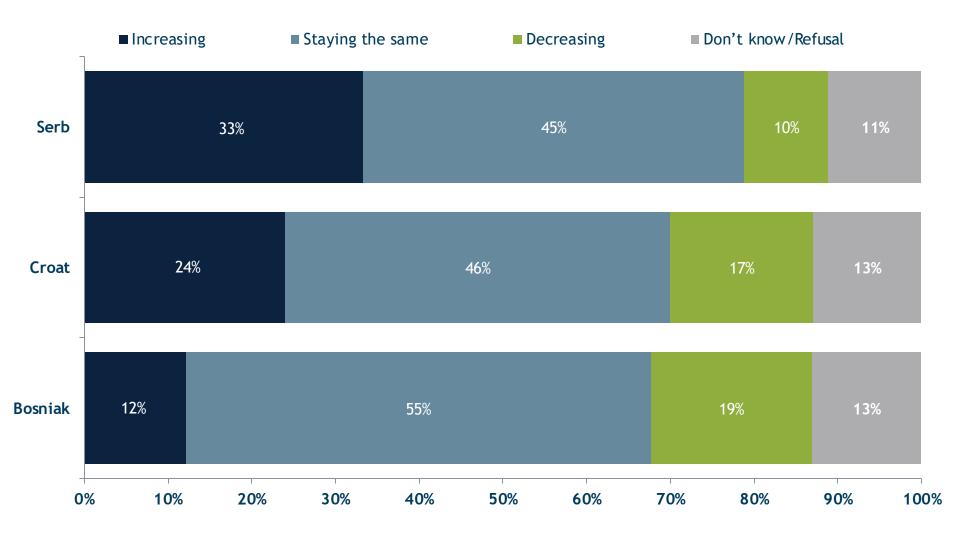
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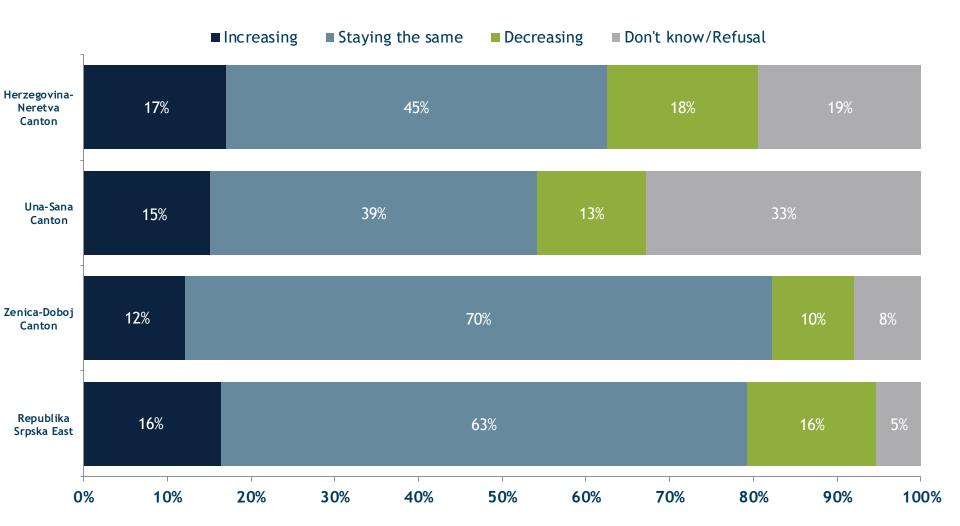
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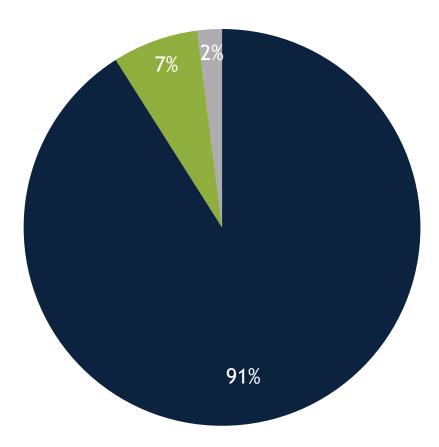


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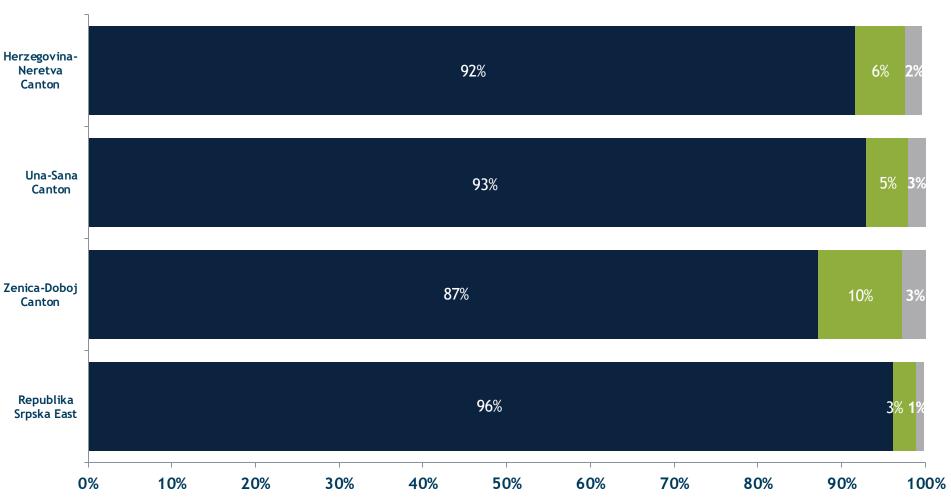
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■ Yes ■ No ■ Don't know/Refusal

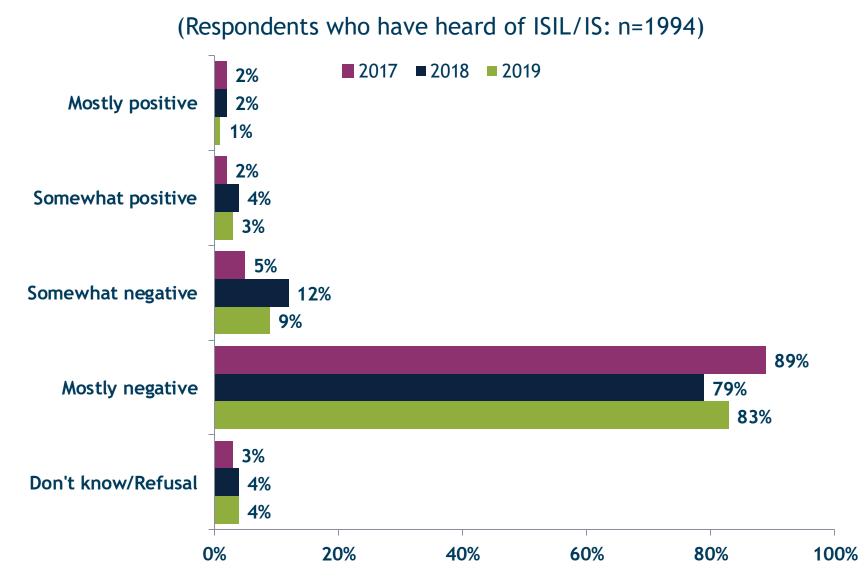


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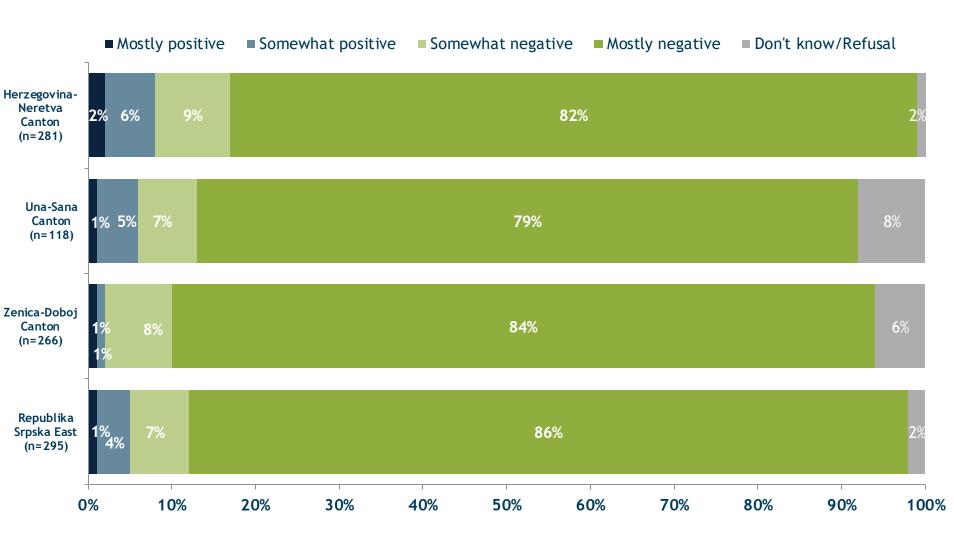
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Mostly positive	1%	1%	1%	1%
Somewhat positive	3%	5%	1%	3%
Somewhat negative	13%	11%	3%	9%
Mostly negative	77%	<b>79</b> %	92%	83%
Don't know/Refusal	6%	3%	1%	4%

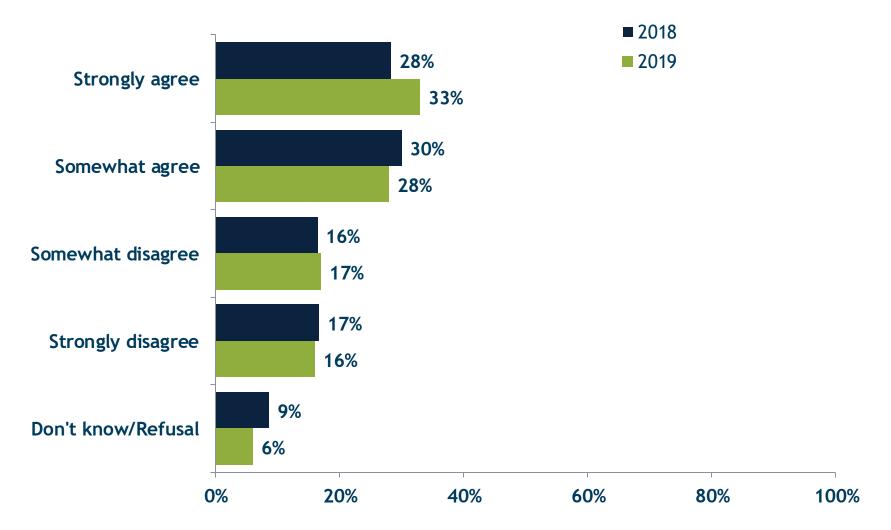
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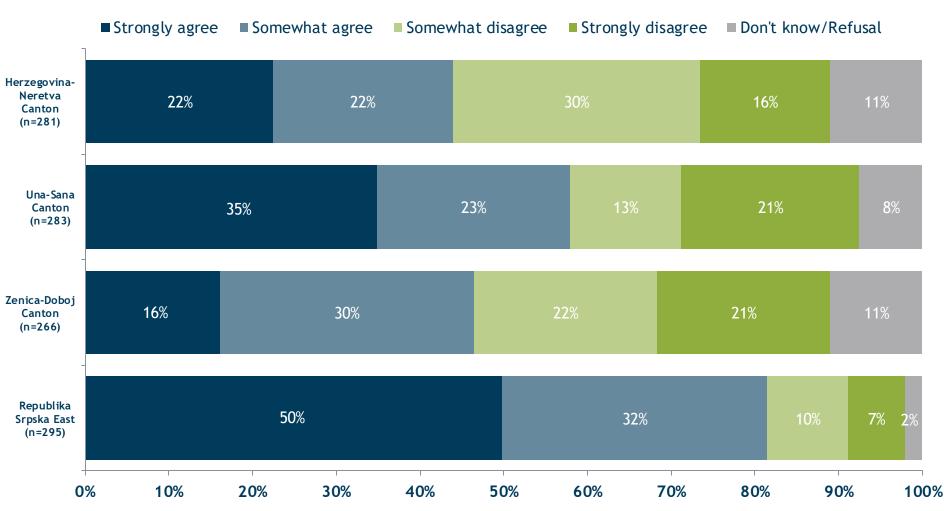
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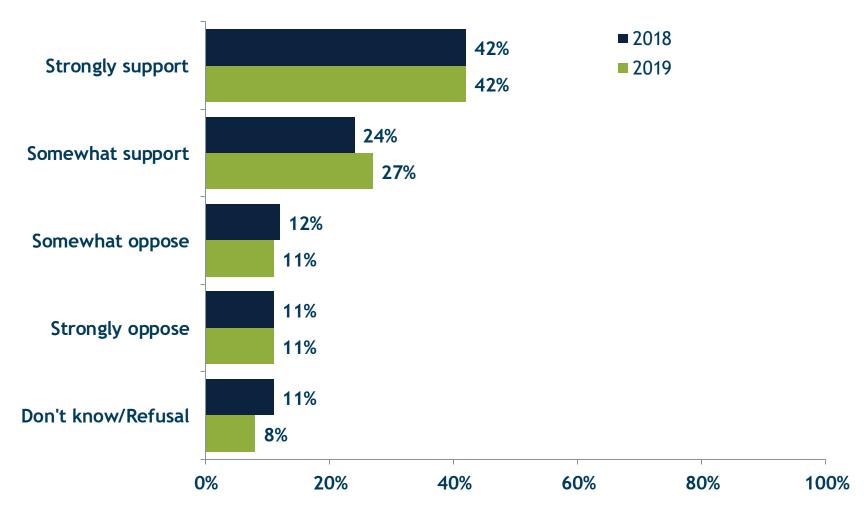
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Strongly agree	22%	26%	51%	33%
Somewhat agree	26%	31%	31%	28%
Somewhat disagree	21%	26%	10%	17%
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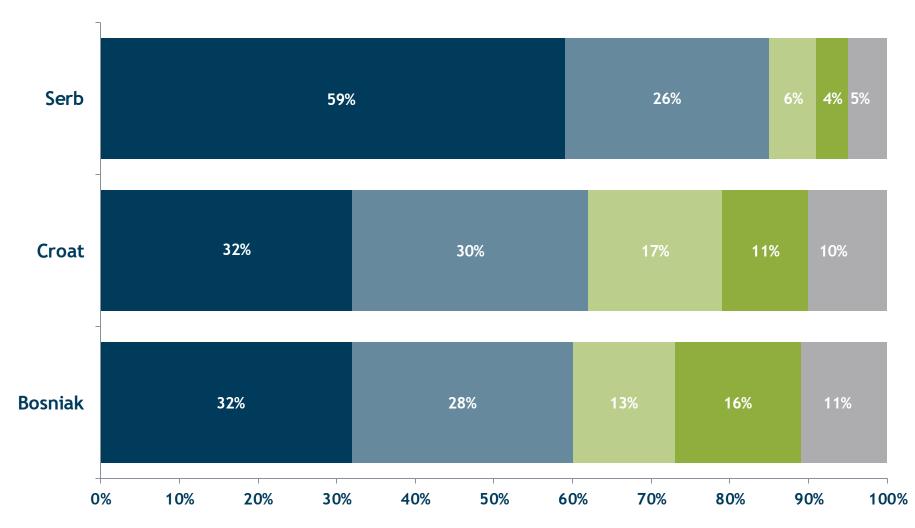


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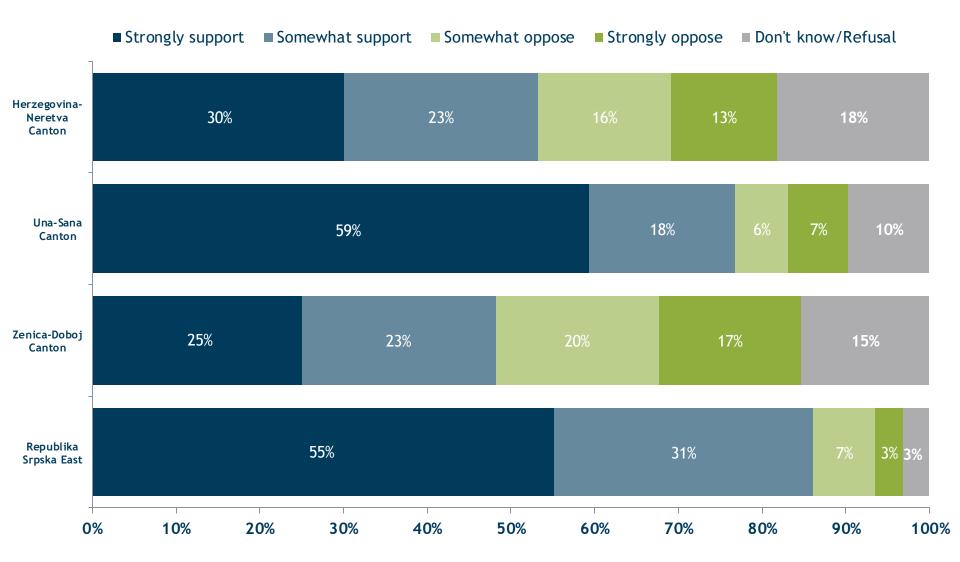


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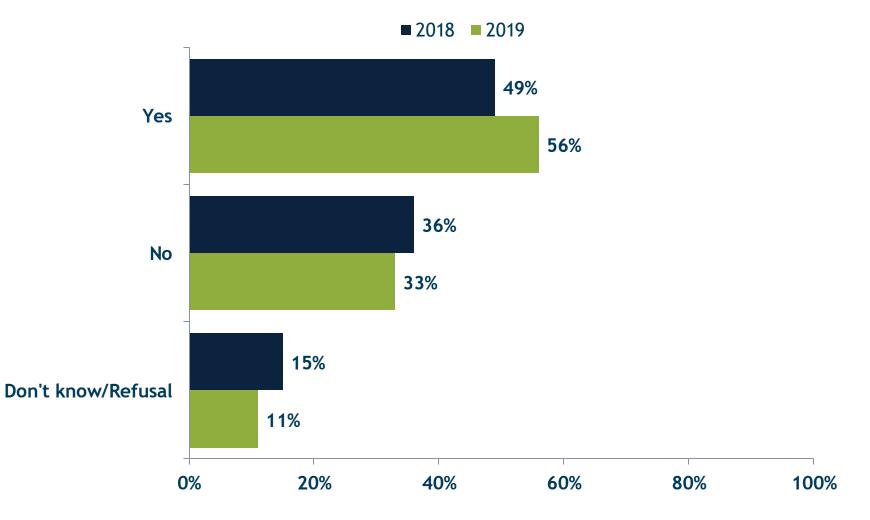
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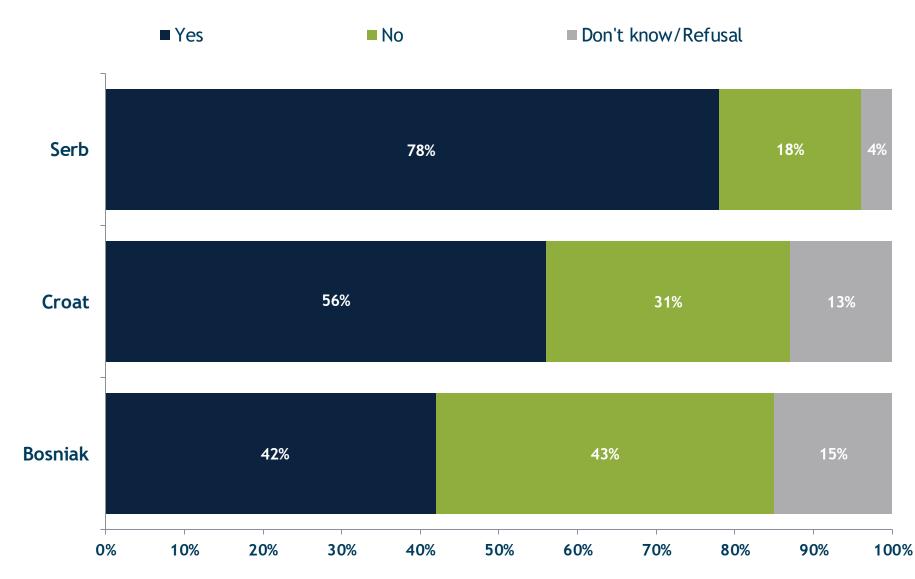
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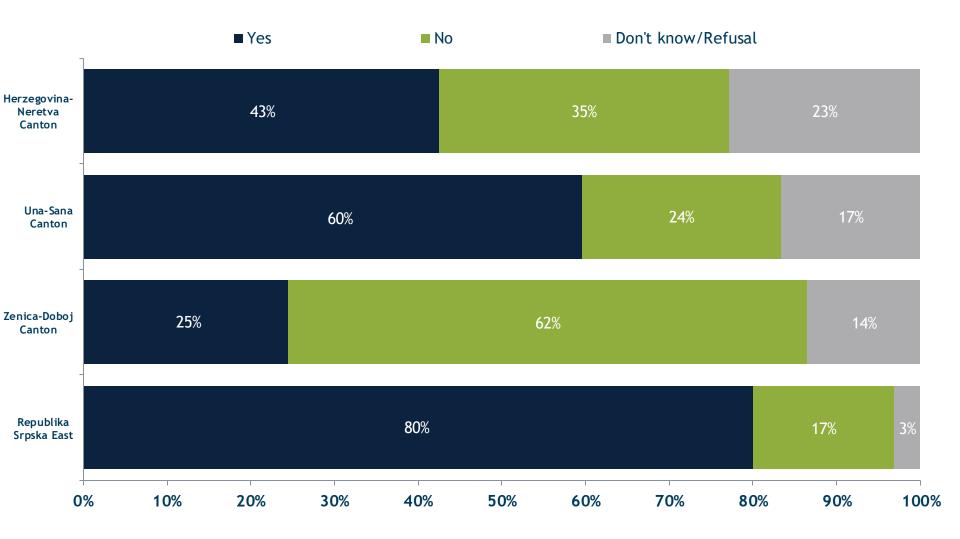
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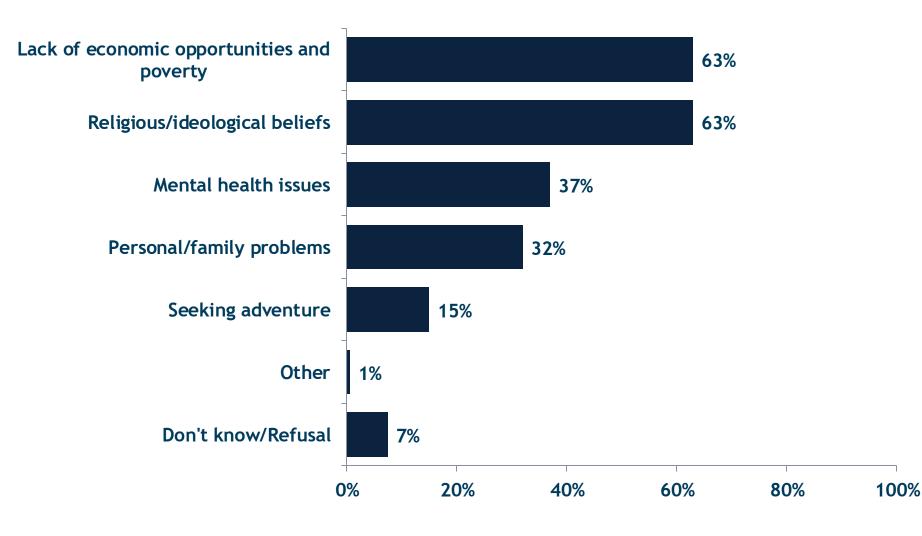
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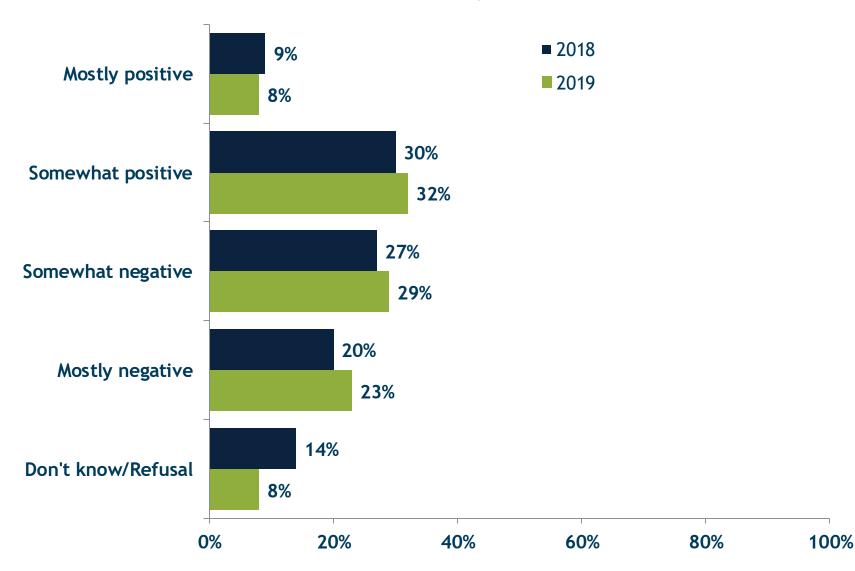


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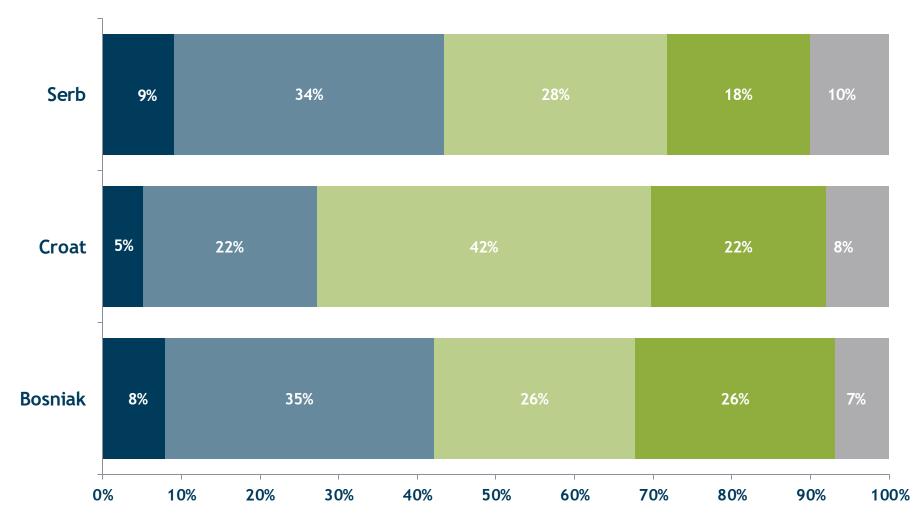
Answers	Herzegovina- Neretva Canton	Una-Sana Canton	Zenica-Doboj Canton	Republika Srpska East	Total
Lack of economic opportunities and poverty	64%	60%	56%	64%	63%
Religious/ideological beliefs	53%	71%	51%	80%	63%
Personal/family problems	39%	18%	46%	39%	32%
Mental health issues	26%	<b>39</b> %	17%	41%	37%
Seeking adventure	12%	<b>9</b> %	13%	<b>19</b> %	15%
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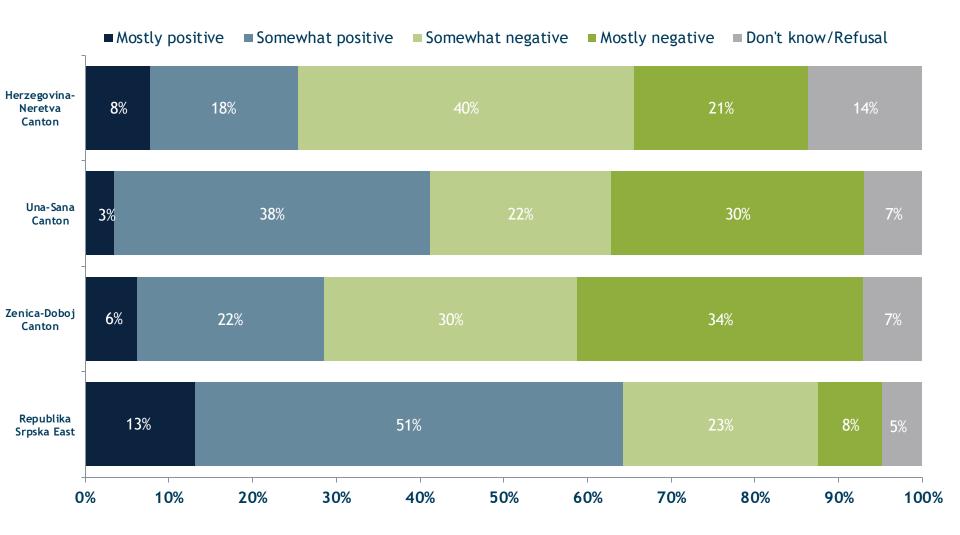


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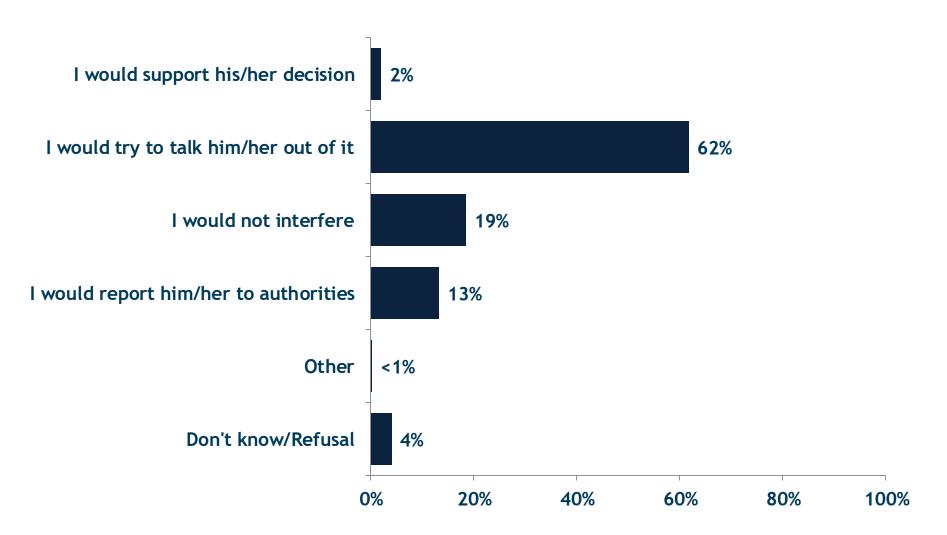
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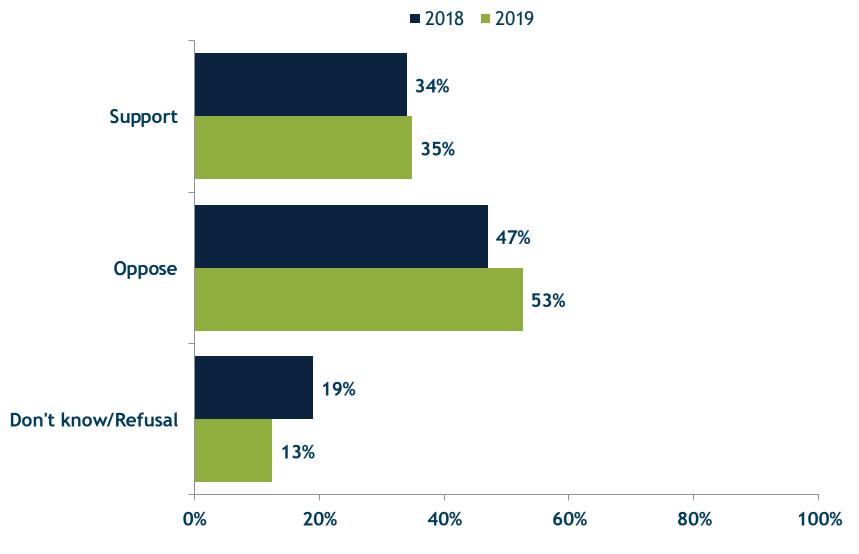
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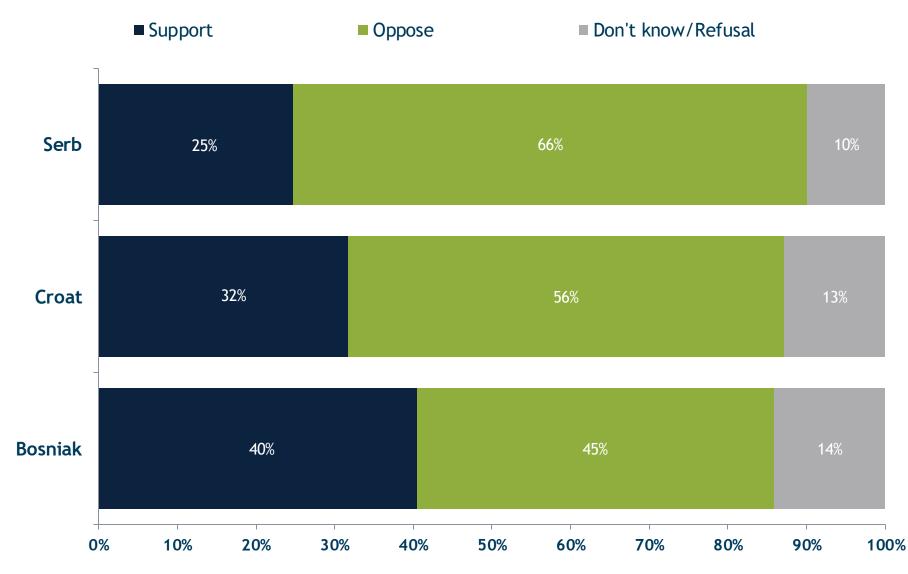
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I would support his/her decision	2%	0%	3%	2%	2%
I would try to talk him/her out of it	56%	<b>67</b> %	32%	73%	62%
I would not interfere	20%	17%	40%	13%	19%
I would report him/her to authorities	13%	10%	16%	<b>9</b> %	13%
Don't know/Refusal	9%	7%	<b>9</b> %	3%	4%

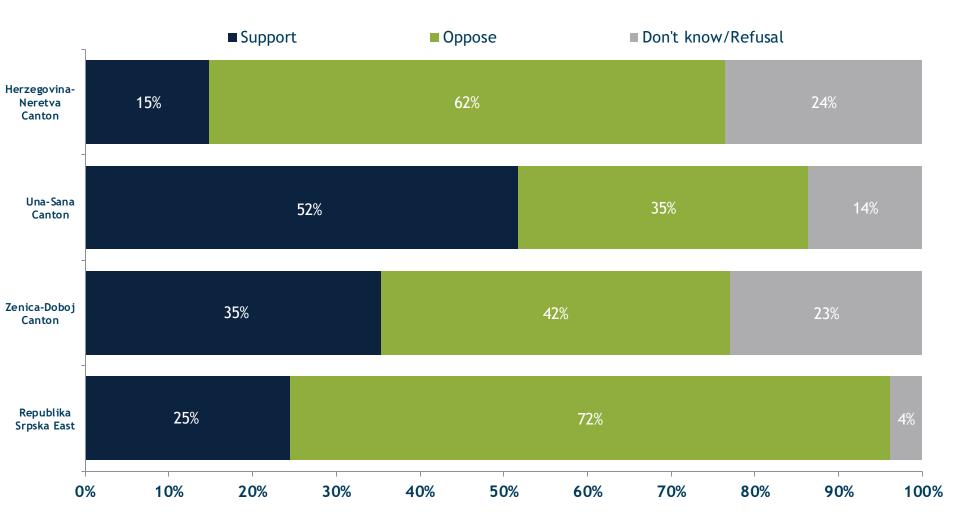
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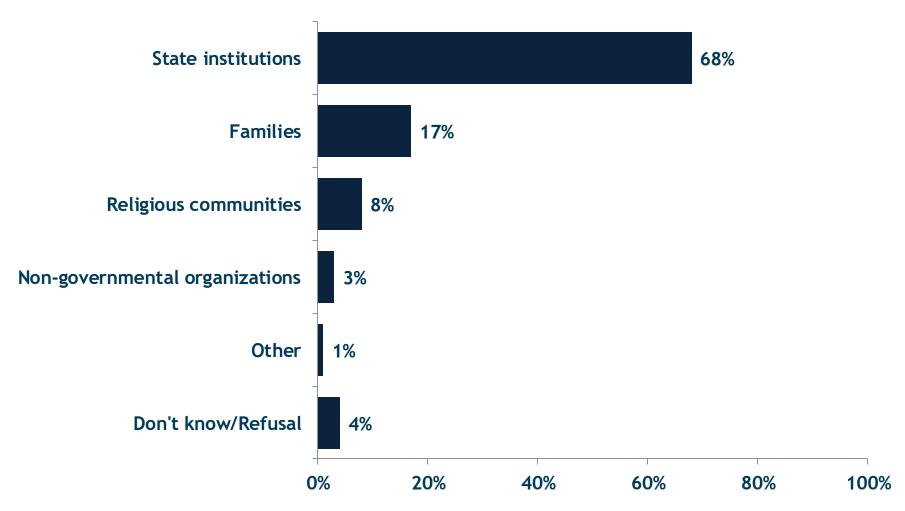


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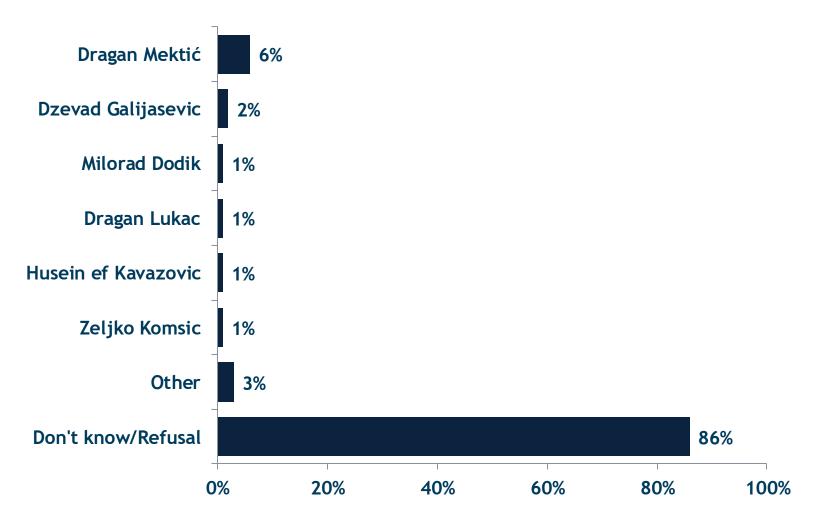
(Respondents who support the rehabilitation and reintegration of returnees from foreign conflicts into BiH society: n=765)



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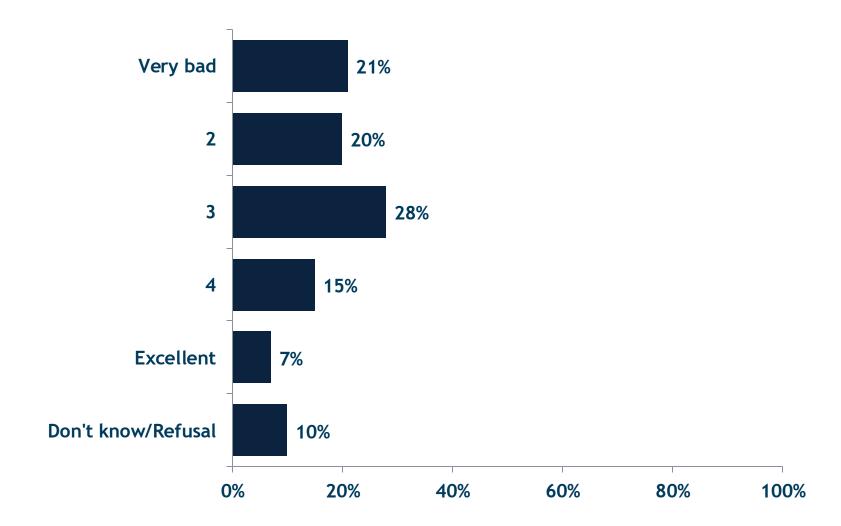
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(Spontaneous response)



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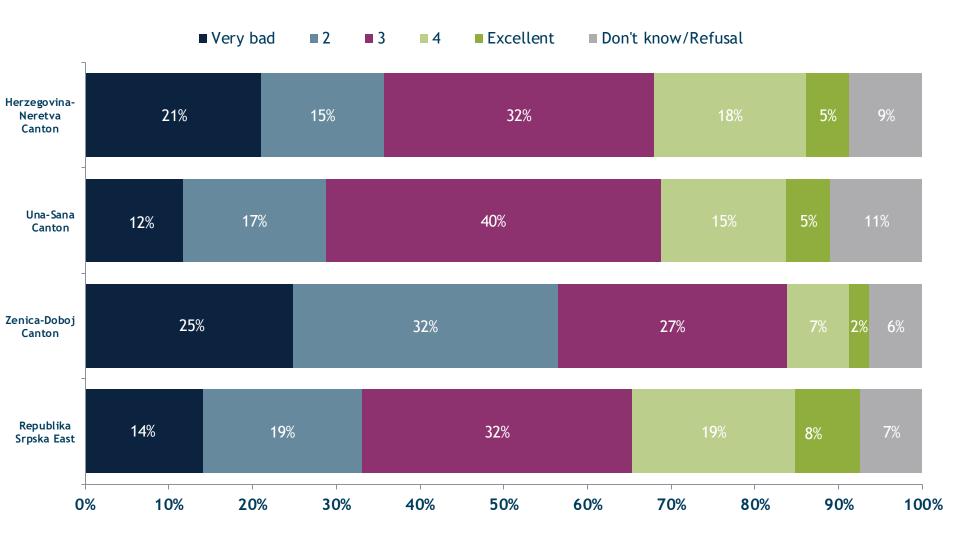
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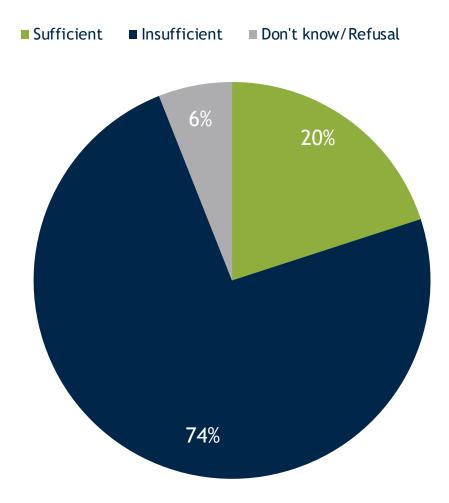
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Very bad	20%	26%	21%	21%
2	<b>19</b> %	21%	21%	20%
3	<b>29</b> %	20%	28%	28%
4	16%	13%	13%	15%
Excellent	<b>9</b> %	2%	6%	7%
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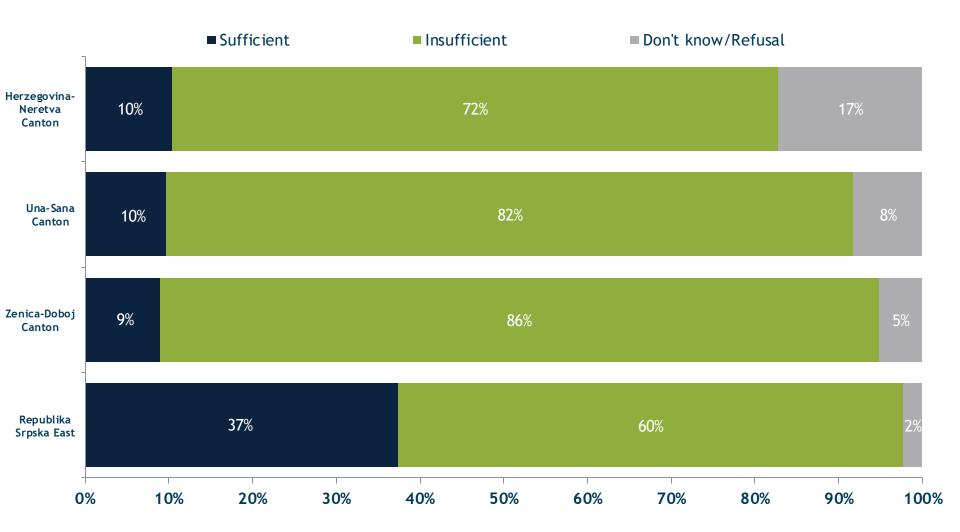
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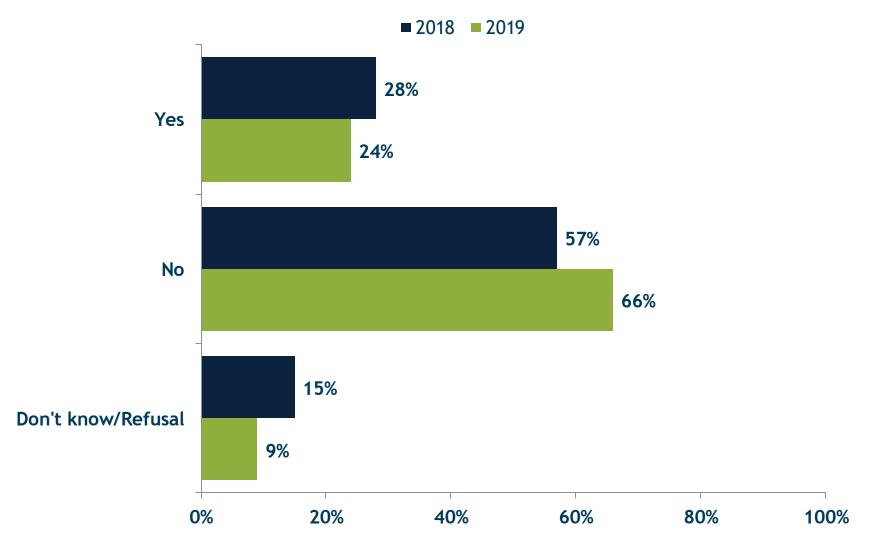
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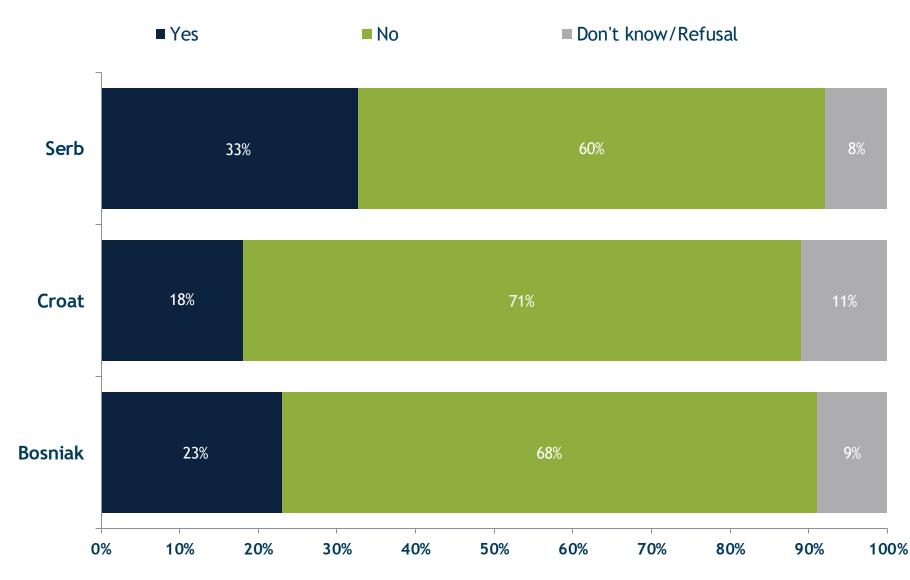
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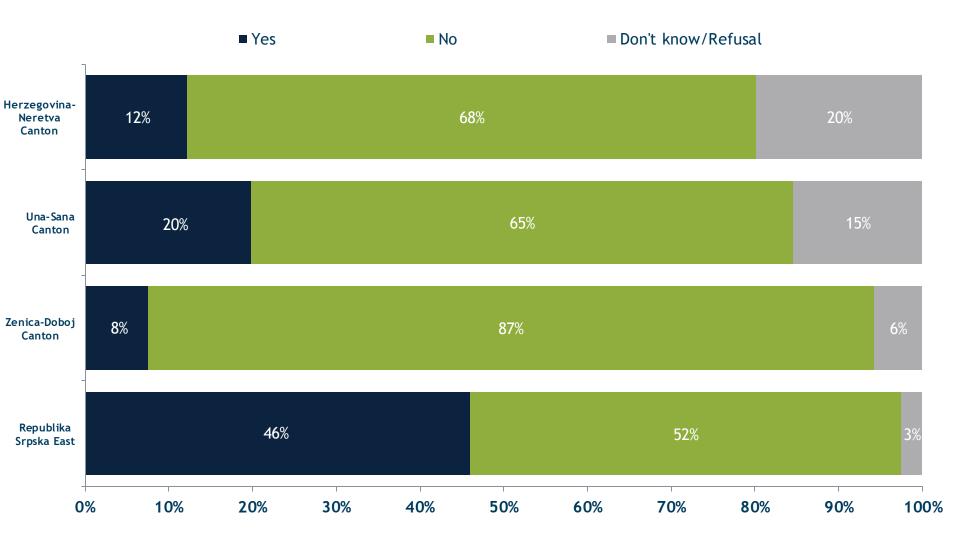
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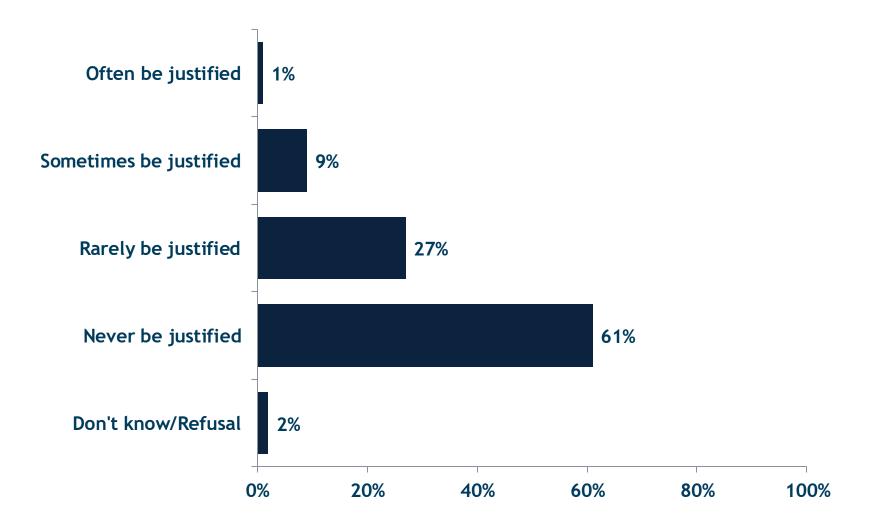
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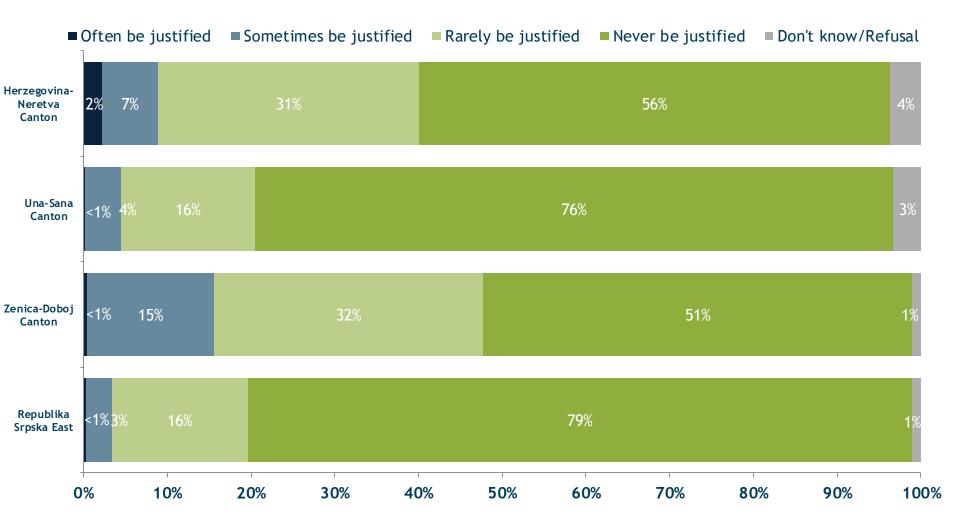
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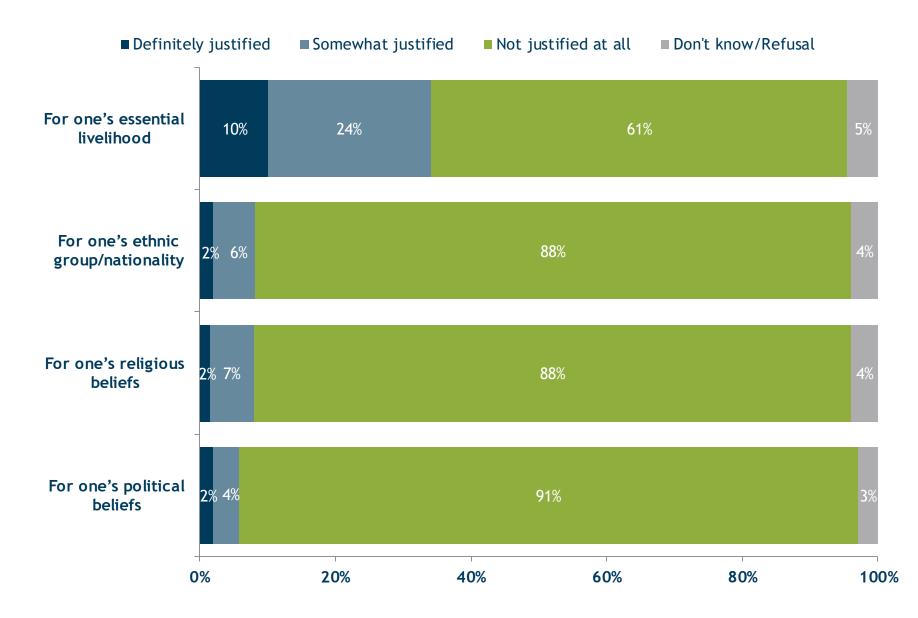
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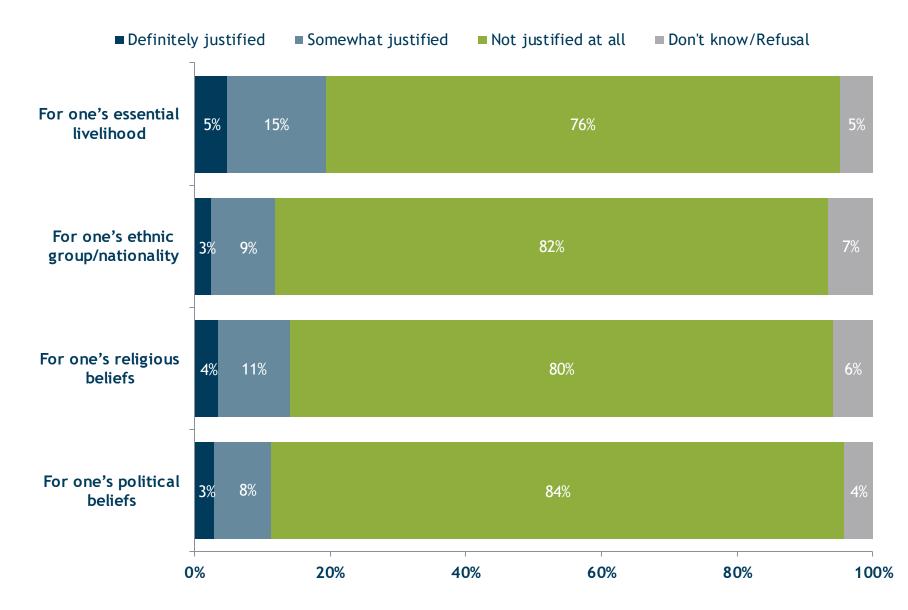
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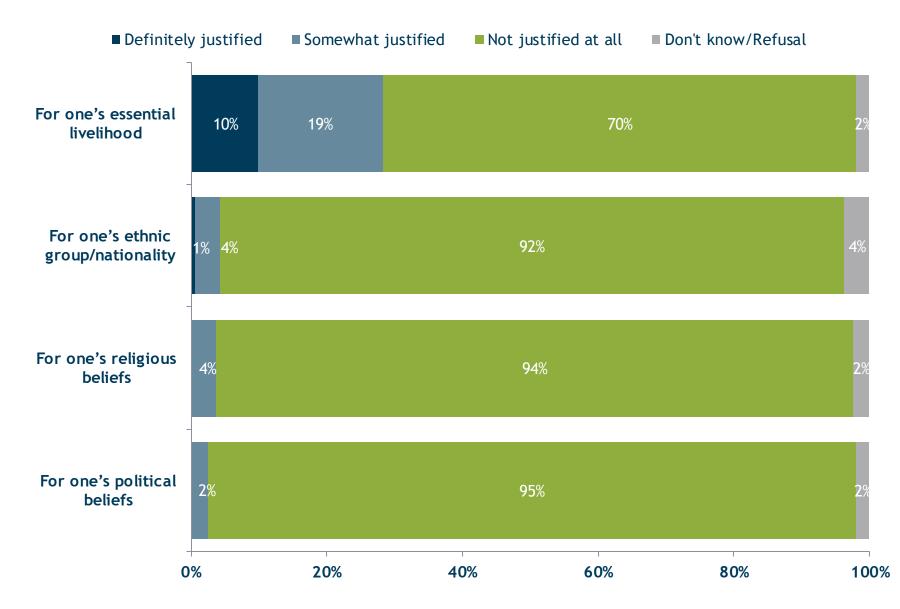
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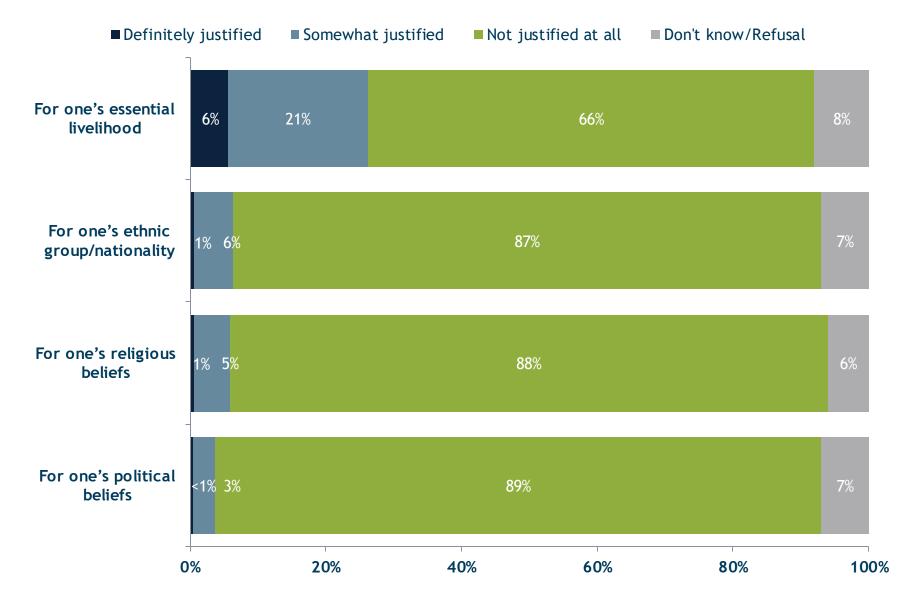
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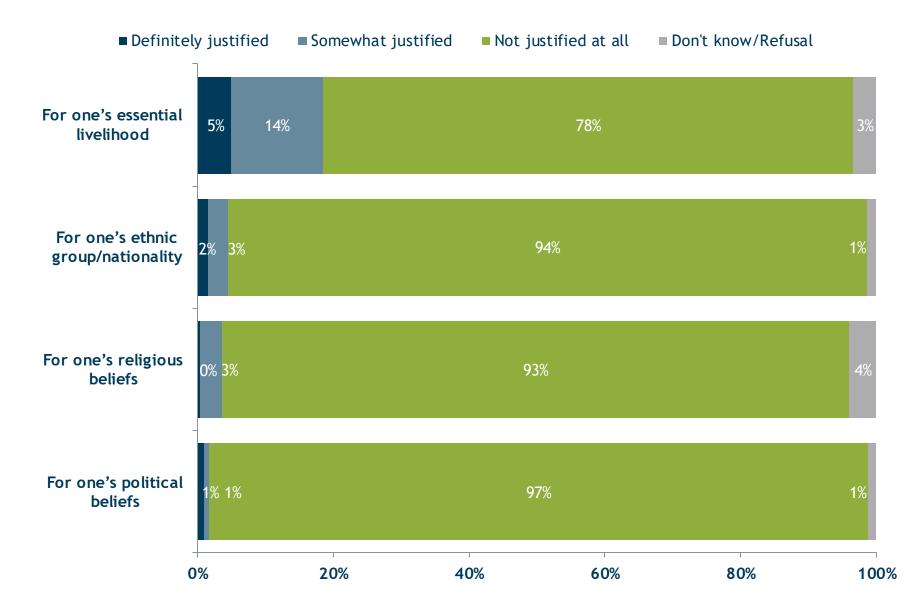
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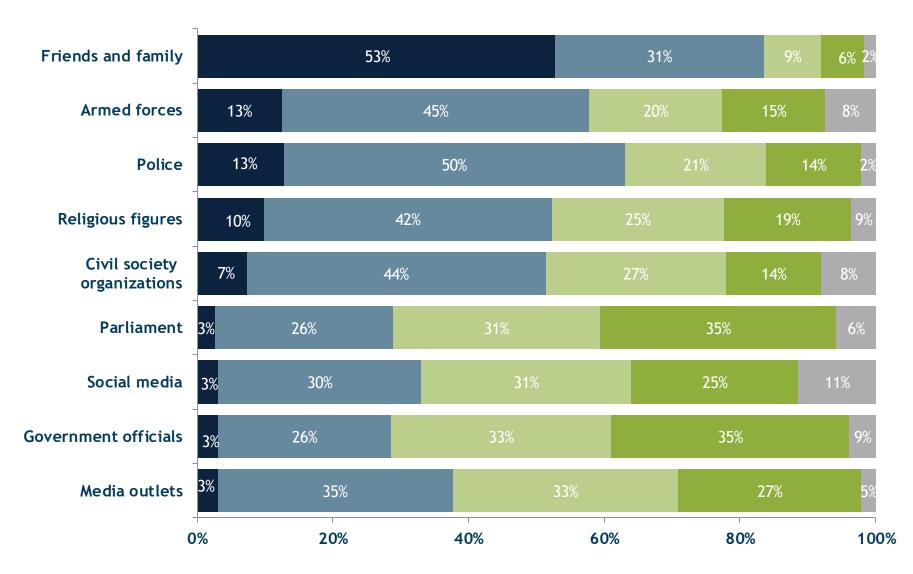


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### How trustworthy is each organization as a source of information?

■ Very trustworthy ■ Somewhat trustworthy ■ Somewhat untrustworthy ■ Very untrustworthy ■ Don't know/Refusal



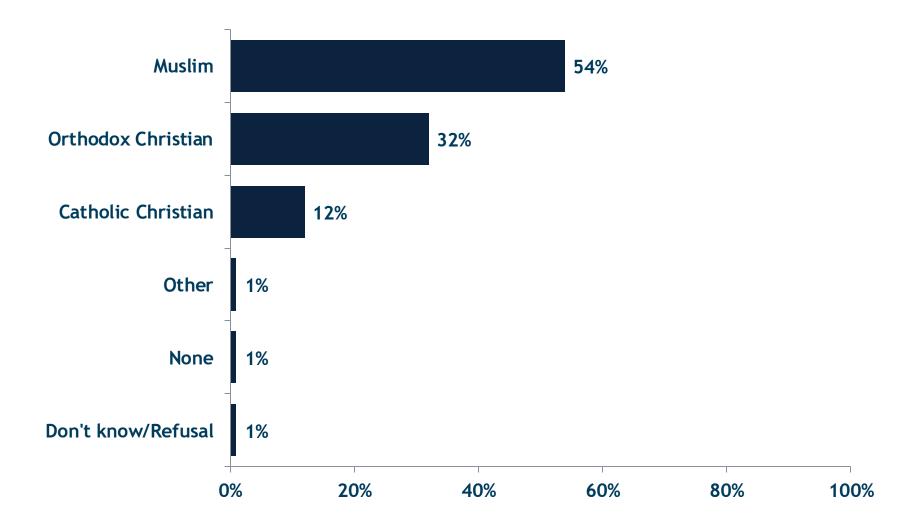
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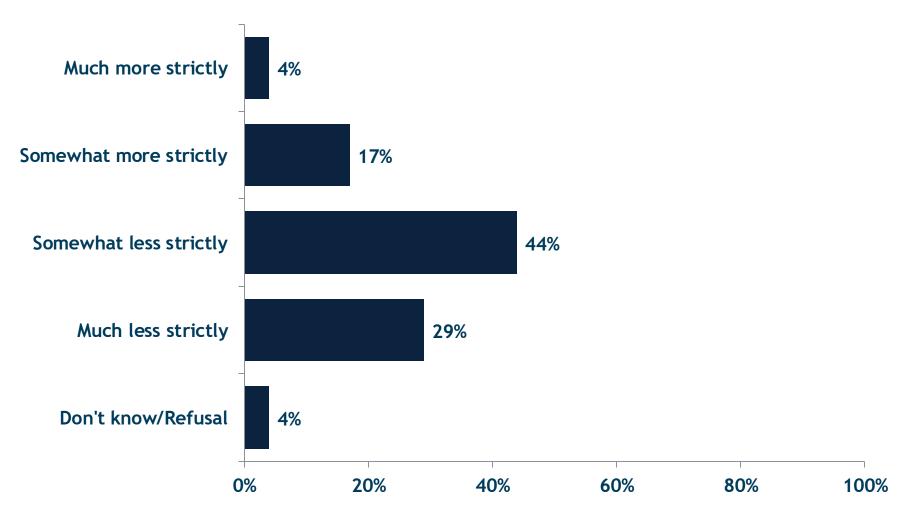
		n	Percentage
Type of settlement	Urban	943	43%
	Rural	1,247	57%
	US Canton	164	8%
	Tuzla Canton	274	13%
	Zenica-Doboj Canton	222	10%
	Central Bosnia Canton	154	7%
	Herzegovina-Neretva Canton	138	6%
	West Herzegovina Canton	57	3%
Region	Canton Sarajevo	258	12%
	Livanjski Canton	53	2%
	North Republika Srpska	487	22%
	East Republika Srpska	289	13%
	Posavina Canton	27	1%
	Bosnian-Podrinje Canton	15	1%
	Brčko District	52	2%
Gender	Male	1,060	48%
Gender	Female	1,130	52%
	18-35	661	30%
Age	36-55	775	35%
-	56+	754	34%
	Elementary or less	636	29%
Education	Secondary	1,245	57%
EddCation	University/Master's/Doctoral degree	279	13%
	Don't know/Refusal	31	1%
	Bosniak	1,114	51%
	Croat	246	11%
Ethnicity	Serb	707	32%
	Other	103	5%
	Don't know/Refusal	20	1%
	Employed	711	33%
Working status	Unemployed	1,400	67%
	Refusal	79	4%
Monthly household income	Up to 500 Bosnian convertible marks (KM)	410	19%
	501-1000 KM	517	24%
	1001-1500 KM	256	12%
	More than 1500 KM	123	6%
	Refusal	884	40%

#### What is your religion?



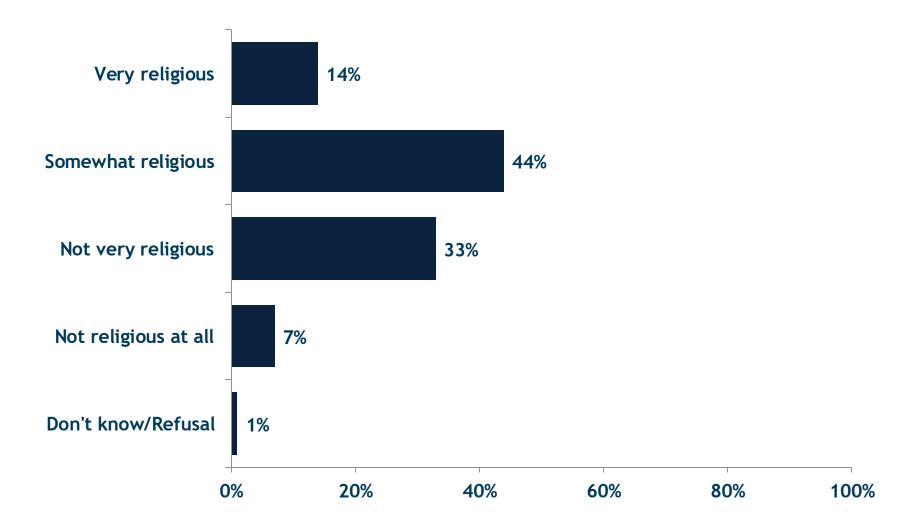
Compared to other people of your religion, do you observe religious practices and rules much more strictly, somewhat more strictly, somewhat less strictly or much less strictly?

> (Respondents who identified as Muslim, Catholic Christian and Orthodox Christian: n=2,140)



#### How religious would you say you are?

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