



Public Opinion Survey: Residents of Georgia

August 4-21, 2020



Detailed Methodology

- The fieldwork was carried out by the [Institute of Polling & Marketing](#). The survey was coordinated by Dr. Rasa Alisauskiene of the public and market research company [Baltic Surveys/The Gallup Organization](#) on behalf of the [Center for Insights in Survey Research](#).
- Data was collected across Georgia between August 4 and August 21, 2020 through face-to-face interviews in respondents' homes.
- The sample consisted of 1,500 permanent residents of Georgia aged 18 and older and eligible to vote. It is representative of the general population by age, gender, region and size of the settlement.
- A multistage probability sampling method was used with the random route and next birthday respondent's selection procedures.
 - Stage one: All districts of Georgia are grouped into 10 regions. All regions of Georgia were surveyed (Tbilisi city - as separate region).
 - 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 2.5 percent and the response rate was 75 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](#).

Frequently Cited Disaggregates

Disaggregate	Disaggregation Category	Base
Gender	Male	n=691
	Female	n=809
Age Groups	Age 18-29	n=299
	Age 30-49	n=567
	Age 50 and older	n=635
Education level	Secondary/Incomplete secondary	n=714
	Vocational	n=223
	Higher/Incomplete higher	n=557
Settlement type	Rural	n=634
	Urban (excluding Tbilisi)	n=414
	Tbilisi	n=452

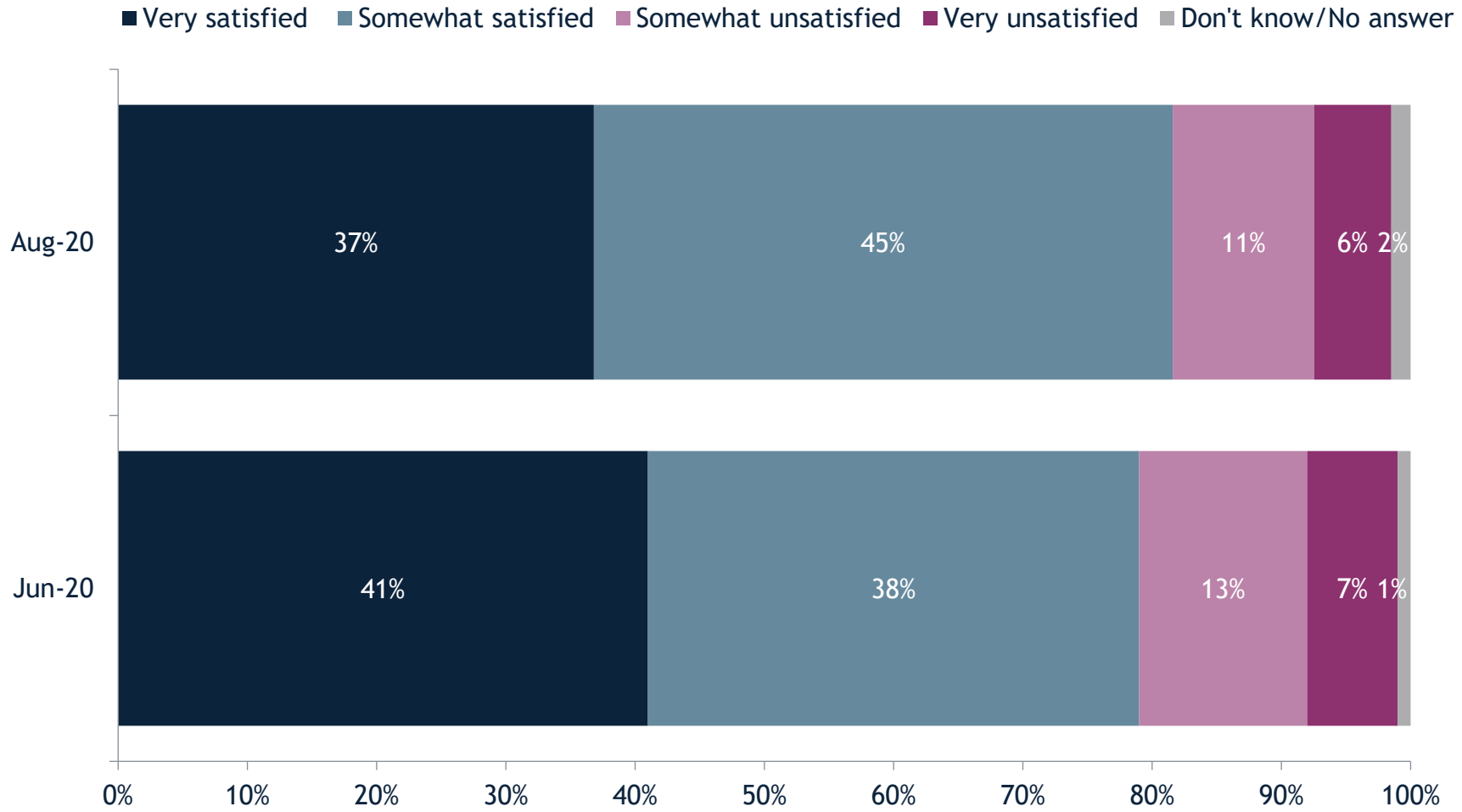
*Cited bases are weighted. Margin of error will vary with sample size n.



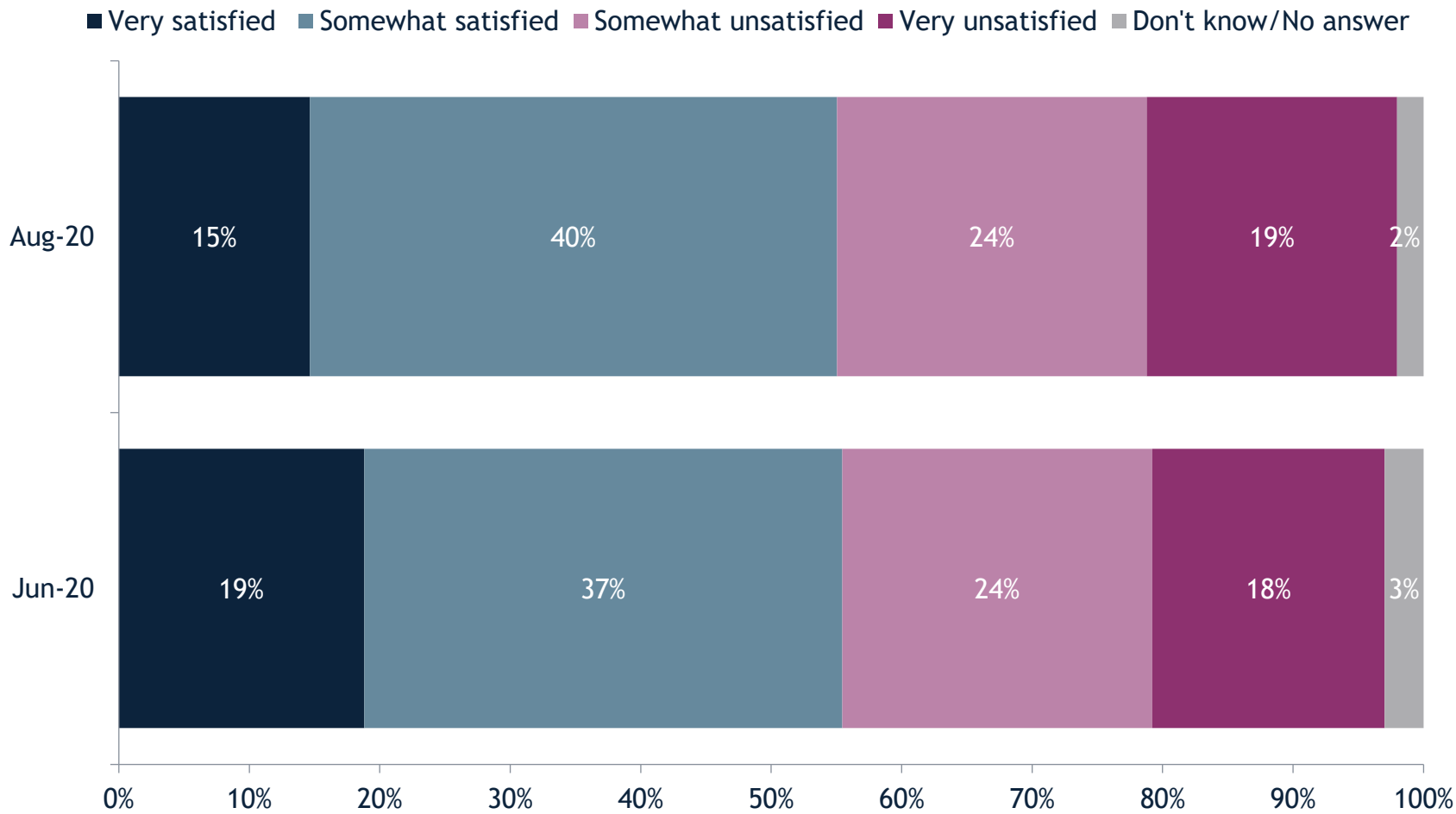
COVID-19 Pandemic Response



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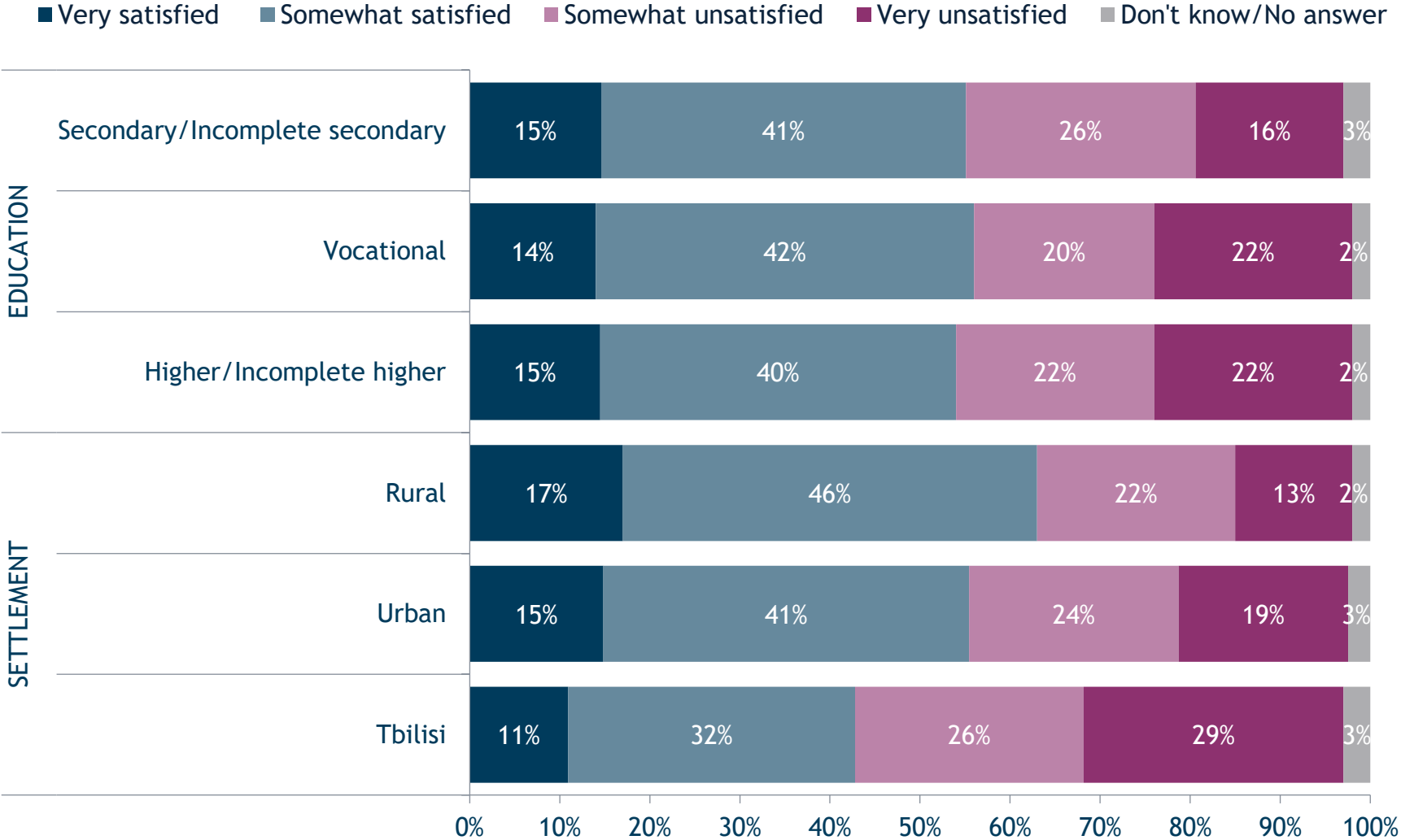


To what extent are you satisfied with the government's efforts to address the economic consequences of COVID-19?



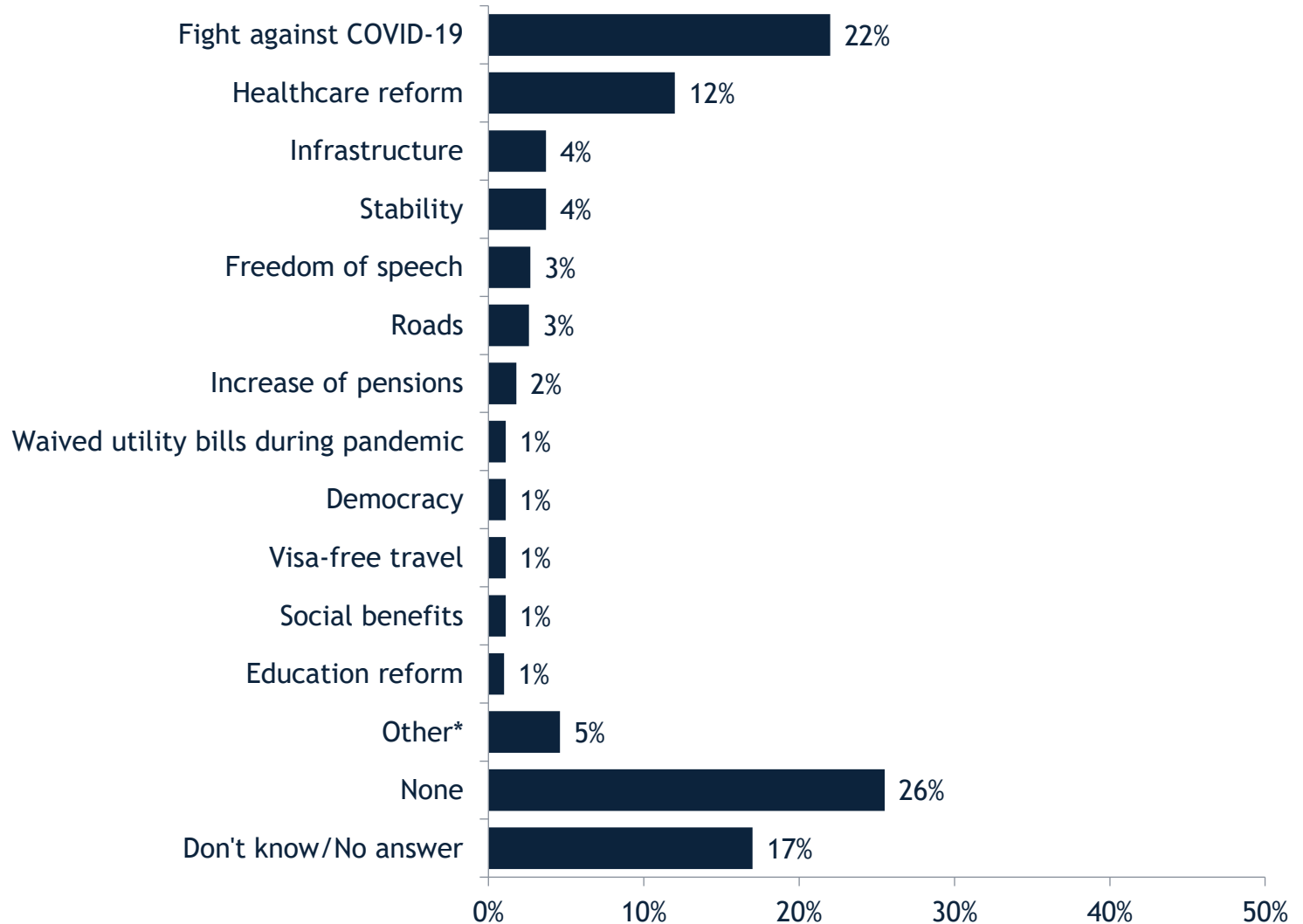
To what extent are you satisfied with the government's efforts to address the economic consequences of COVID-19?

(Disaggregated by education and settlement)



What is the main accomplishment of the current government?

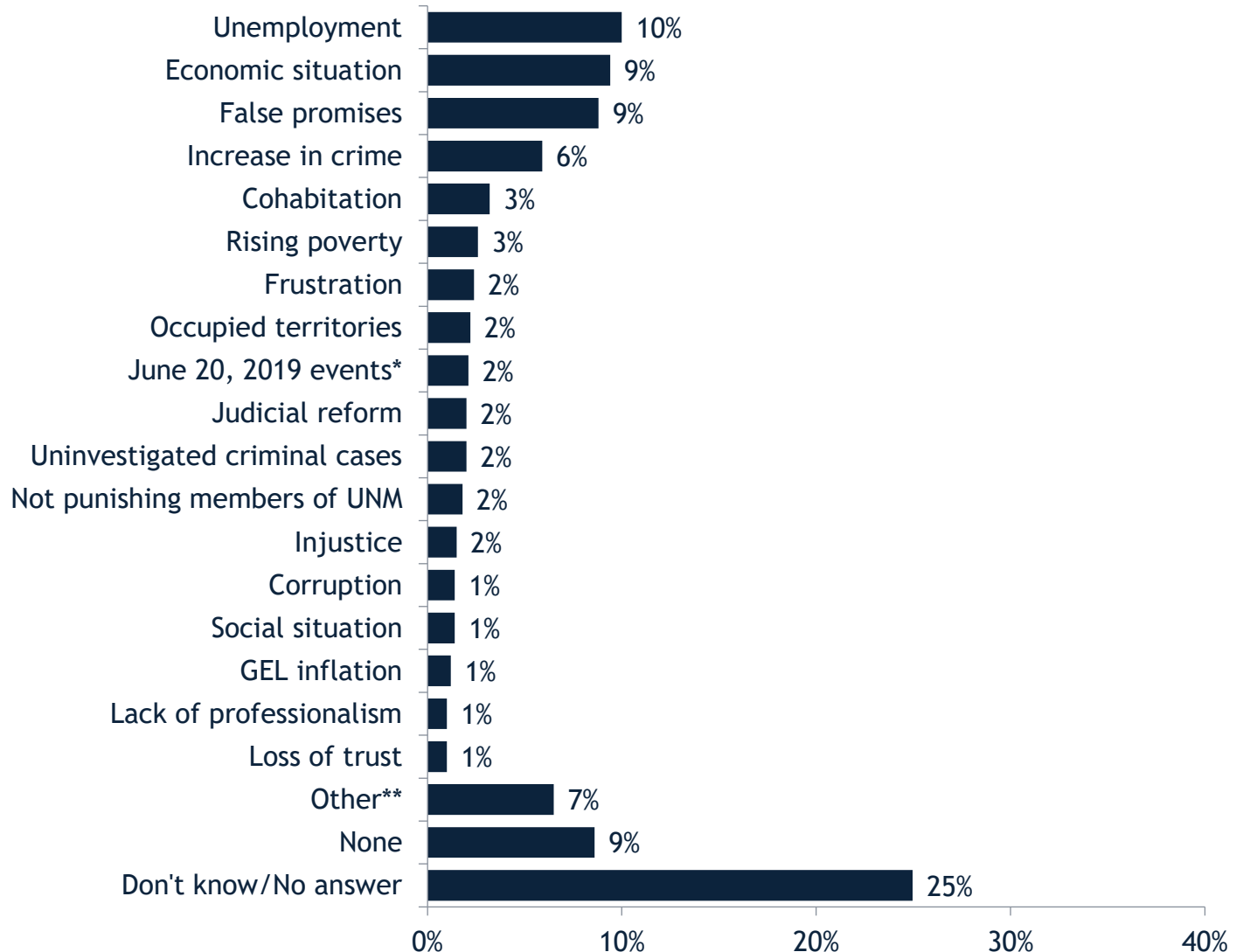
(One spontaneous answer)



* Responses named by less than one percent merged into "Other."

What is the biggest failure of the current government?

(One spontaneous answer)



* On June 20, 2019, government forces violently suppressed opposition street protests over a situation in which a Russian MP was permitted to address a gathering of international parliamentarians from the Speaker's Chair in parliament.

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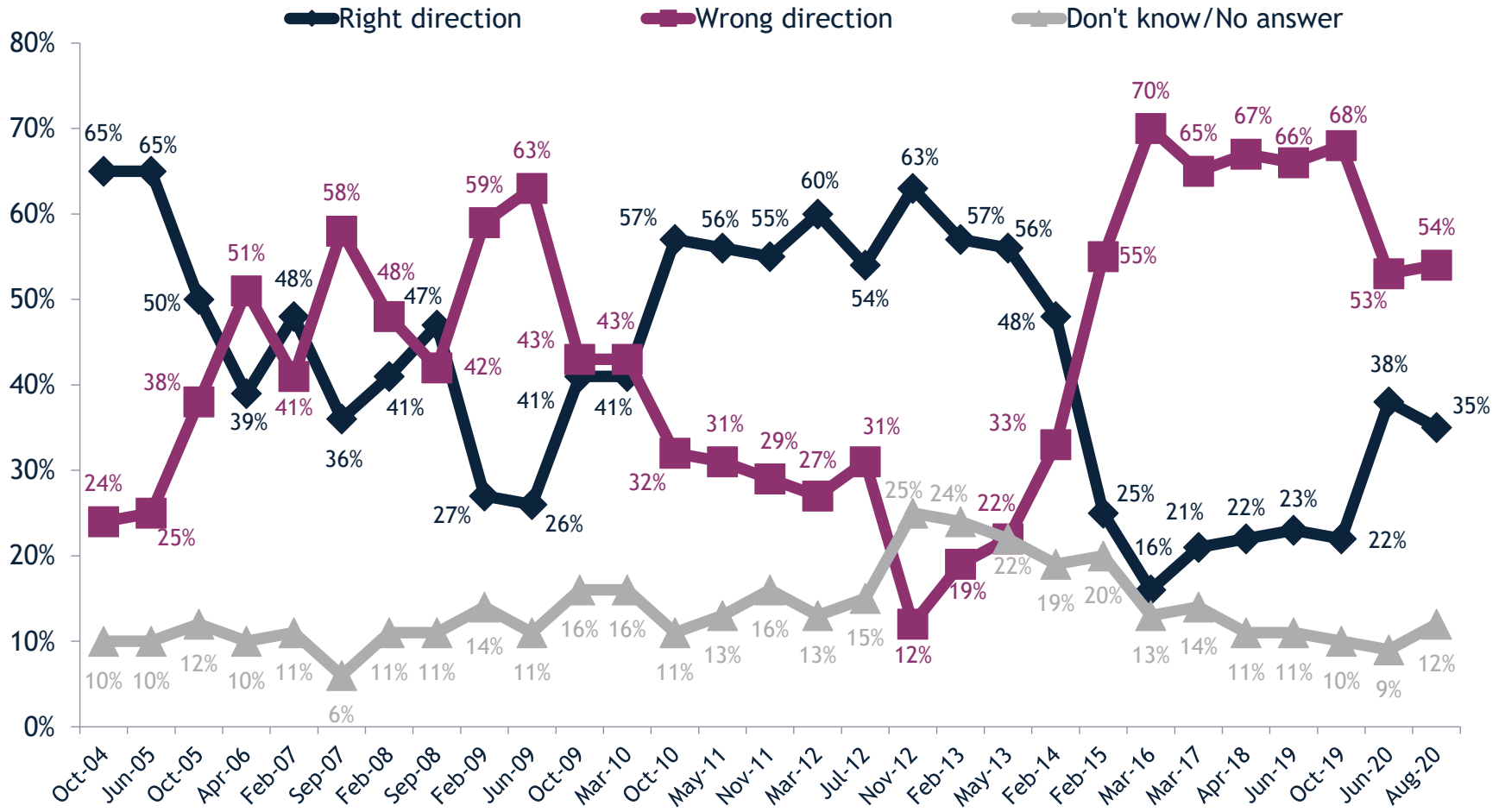


Economic Concerns

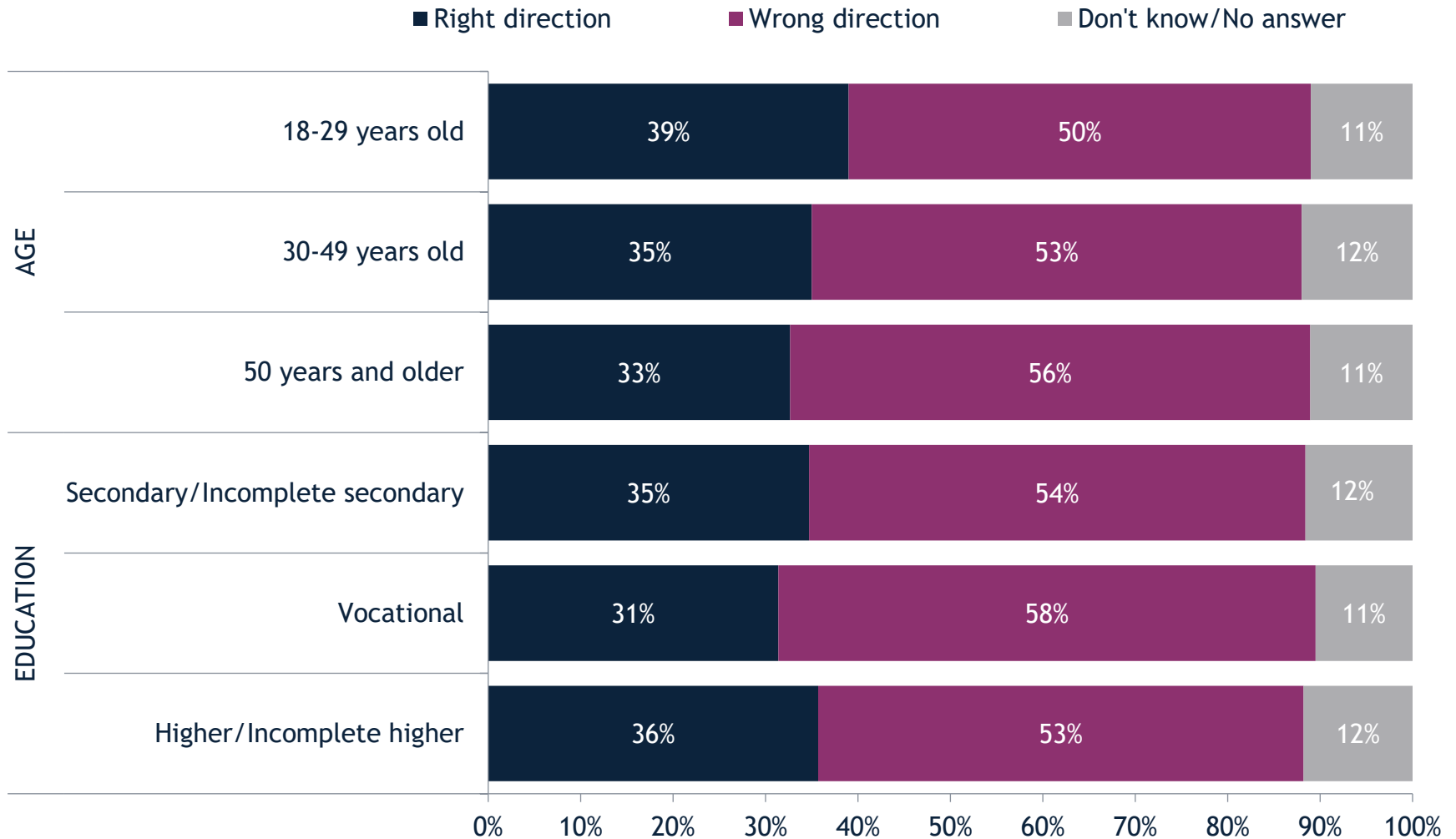


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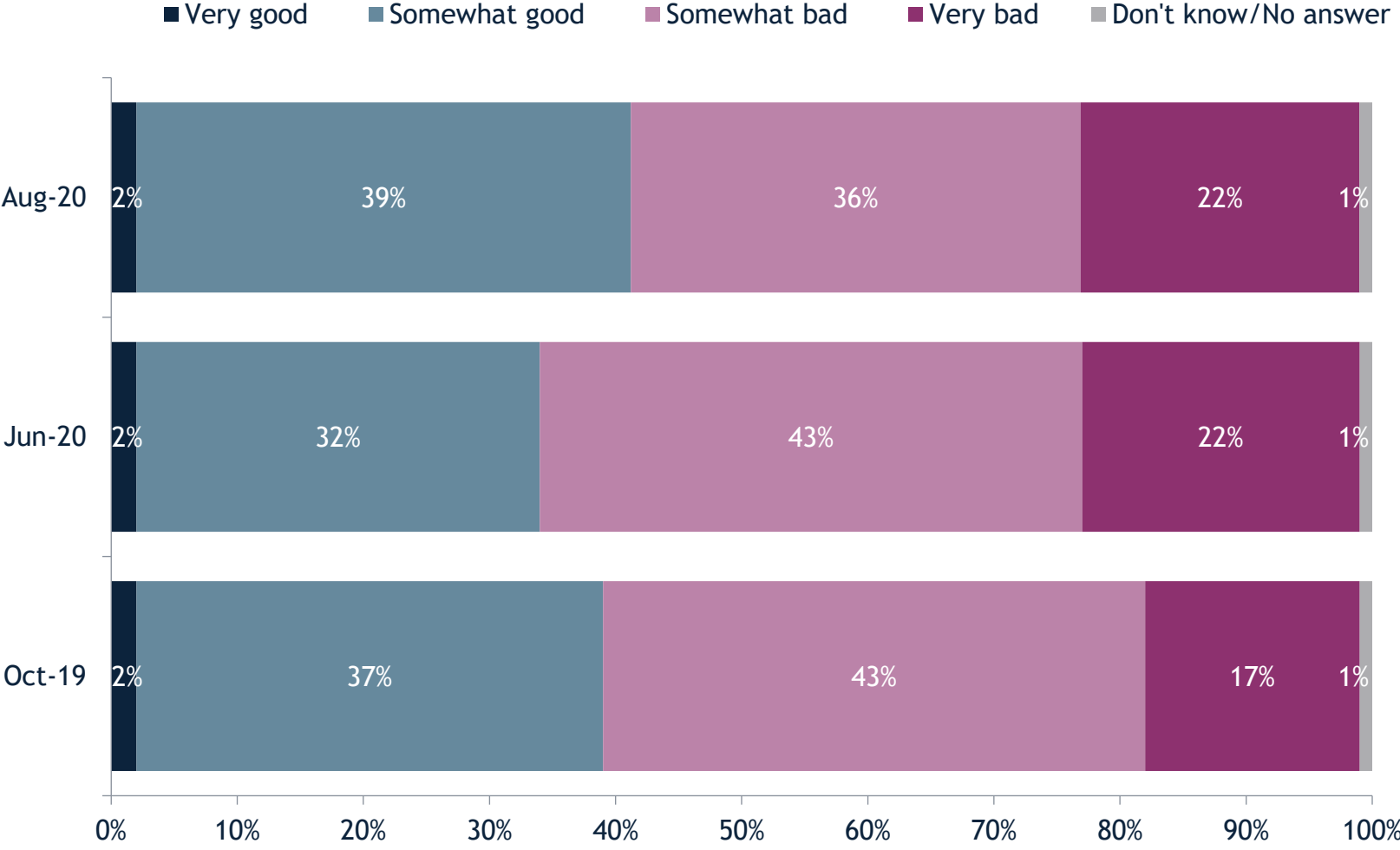
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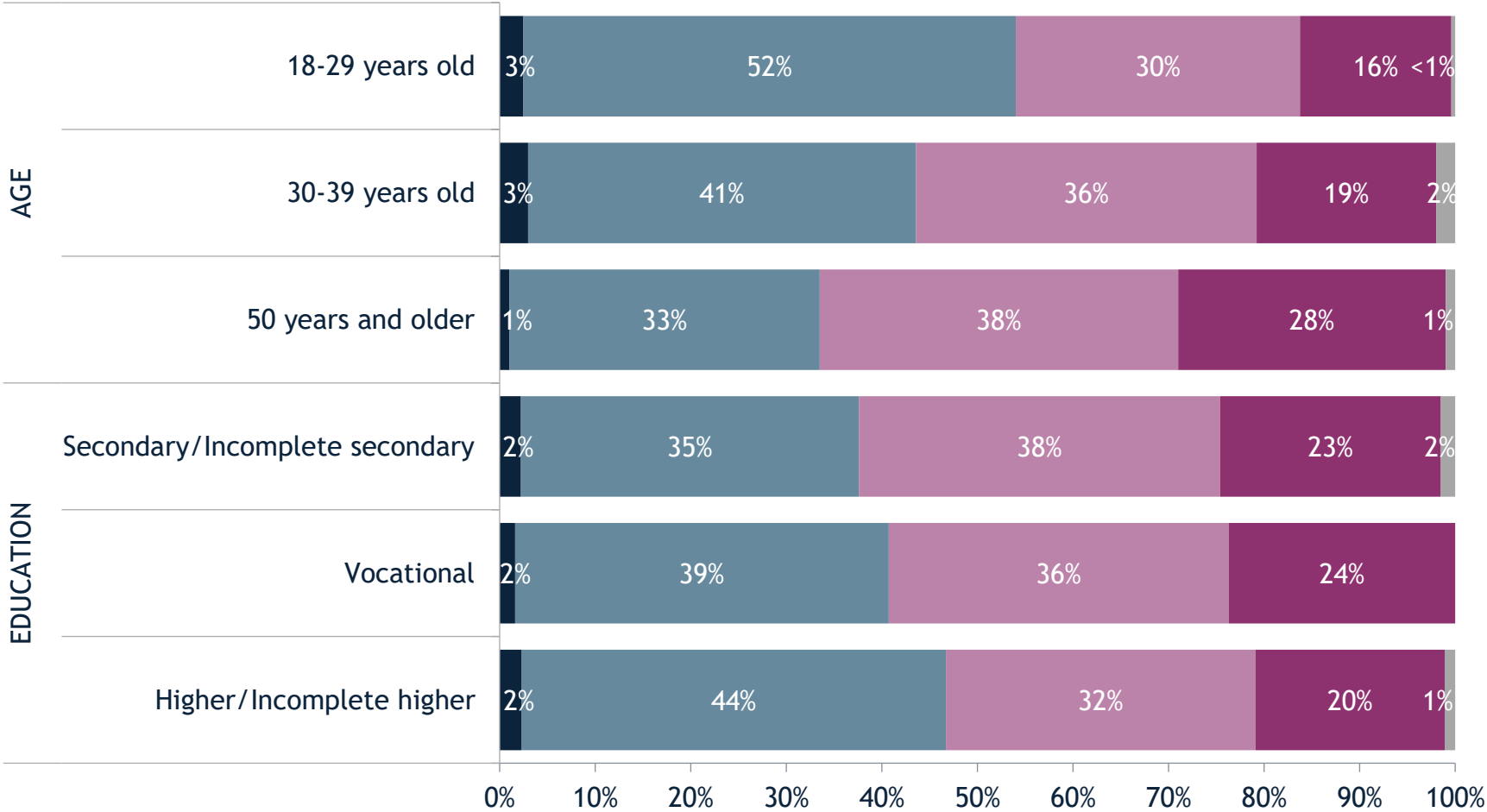
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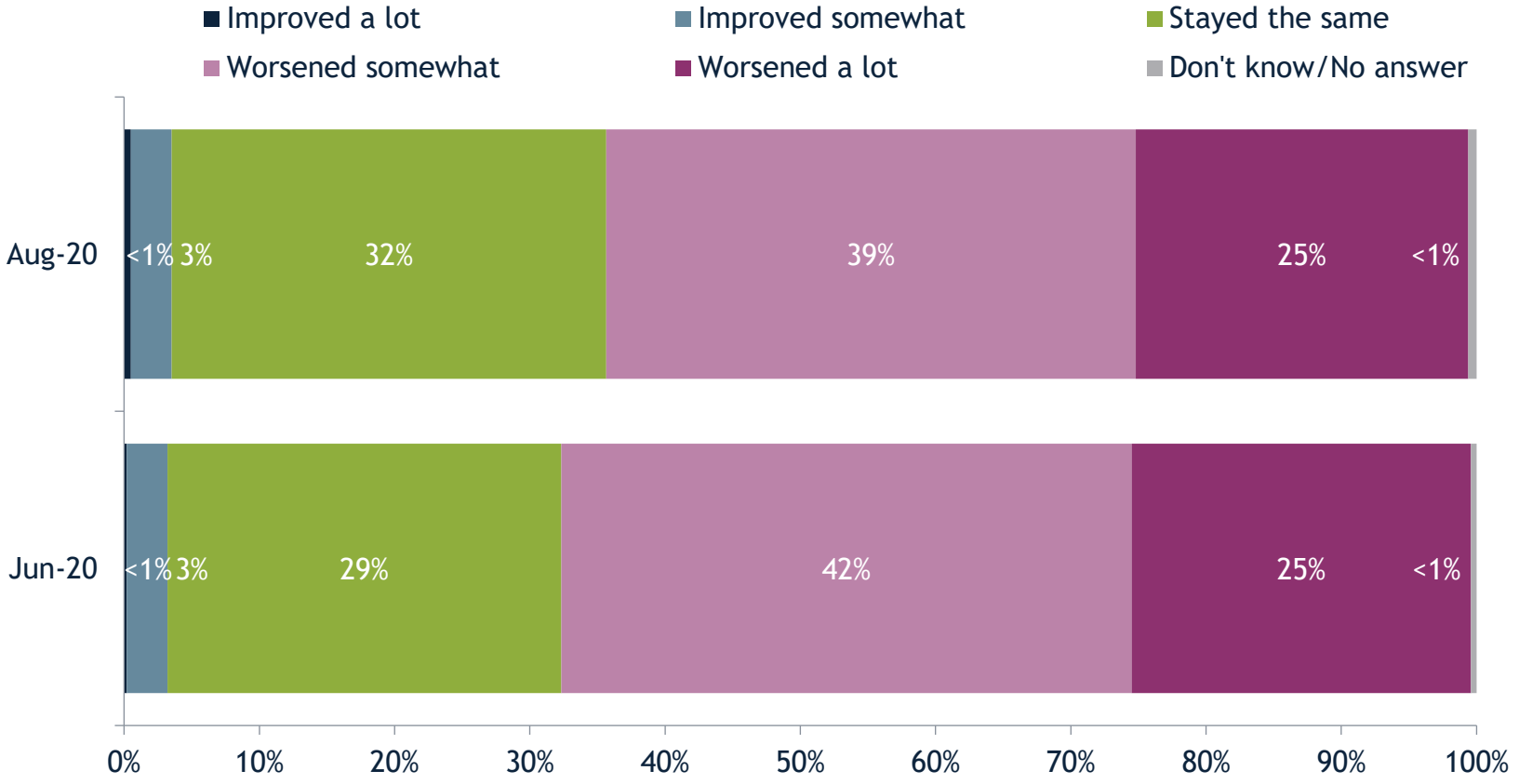
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(August 2020, disaggregated by age and education)

■ Very good
 ■ Somewhat good
 ■ Somewhat bad
 ■ Very bad
 ■ Don't know/No answer

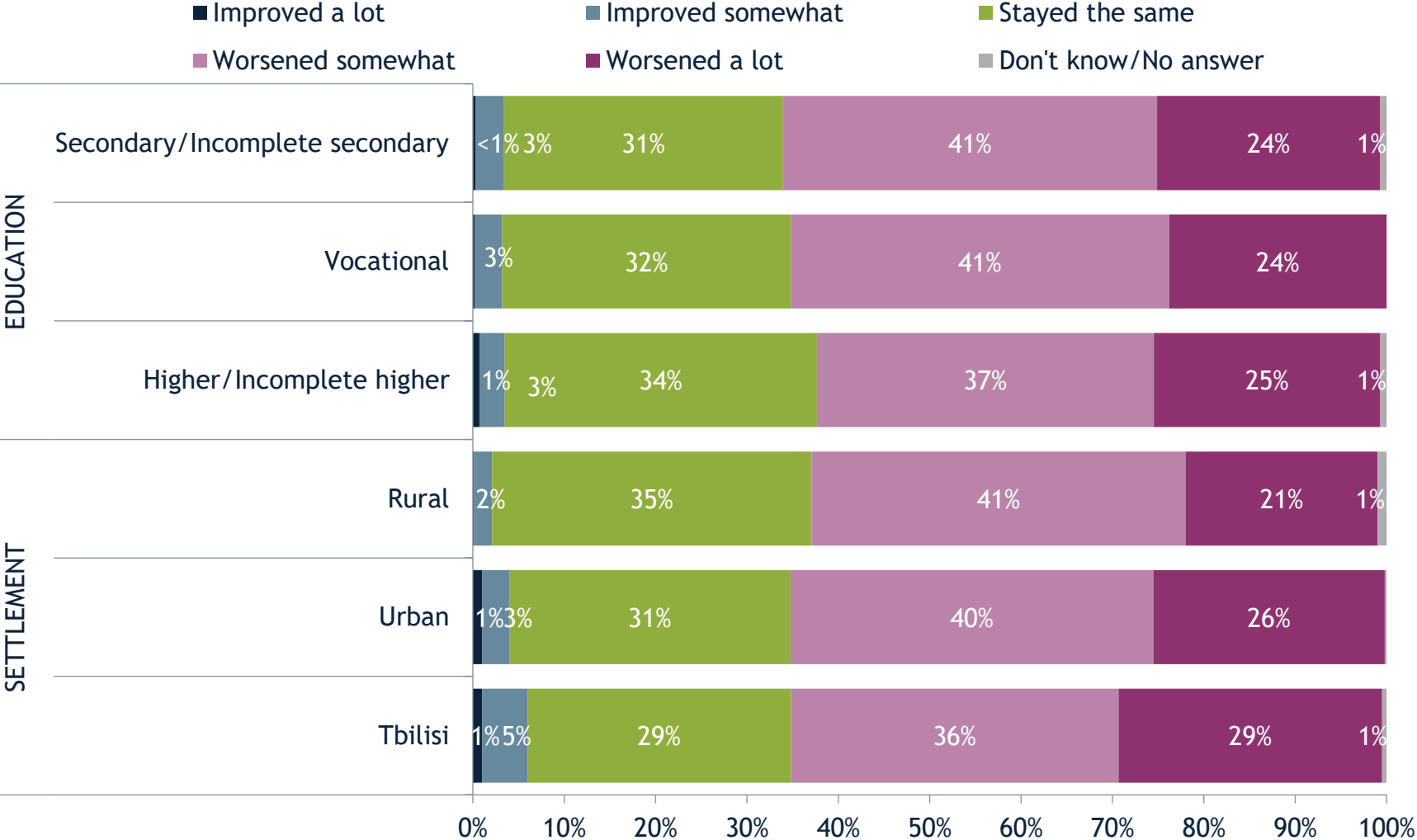


Since the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic, how has the economic situation of your household changed?



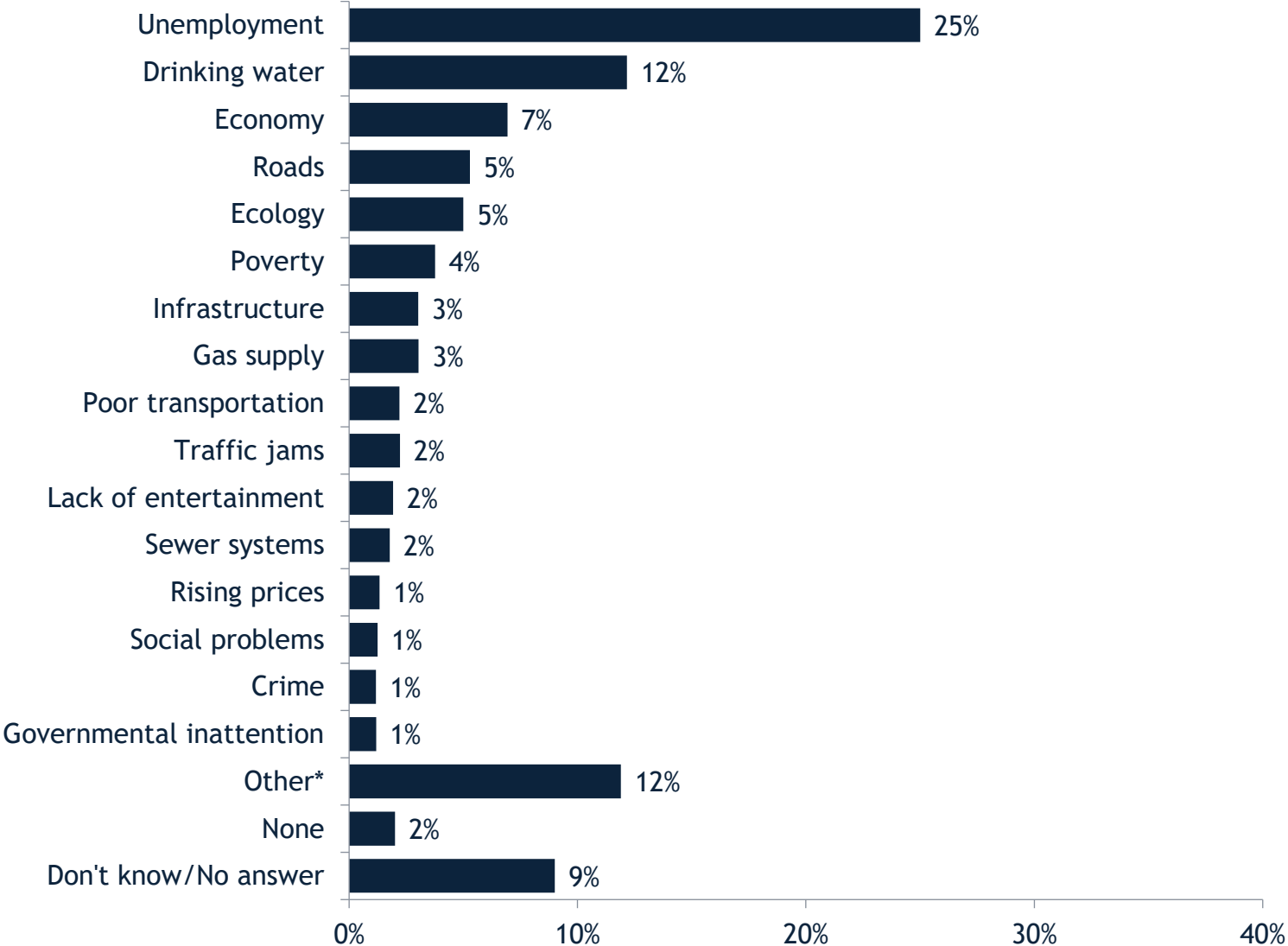
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What is the most important problem facing your town/village today?

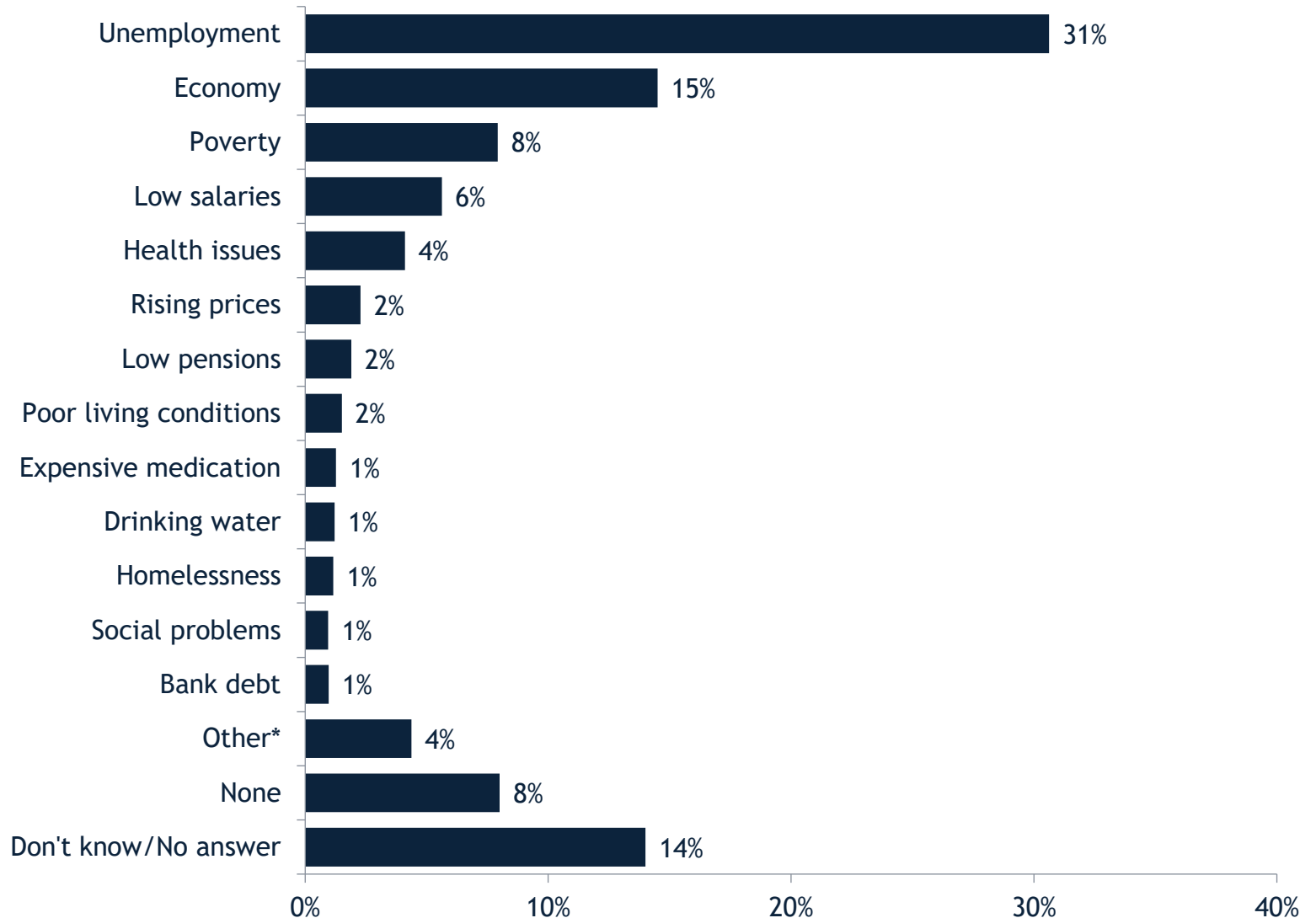
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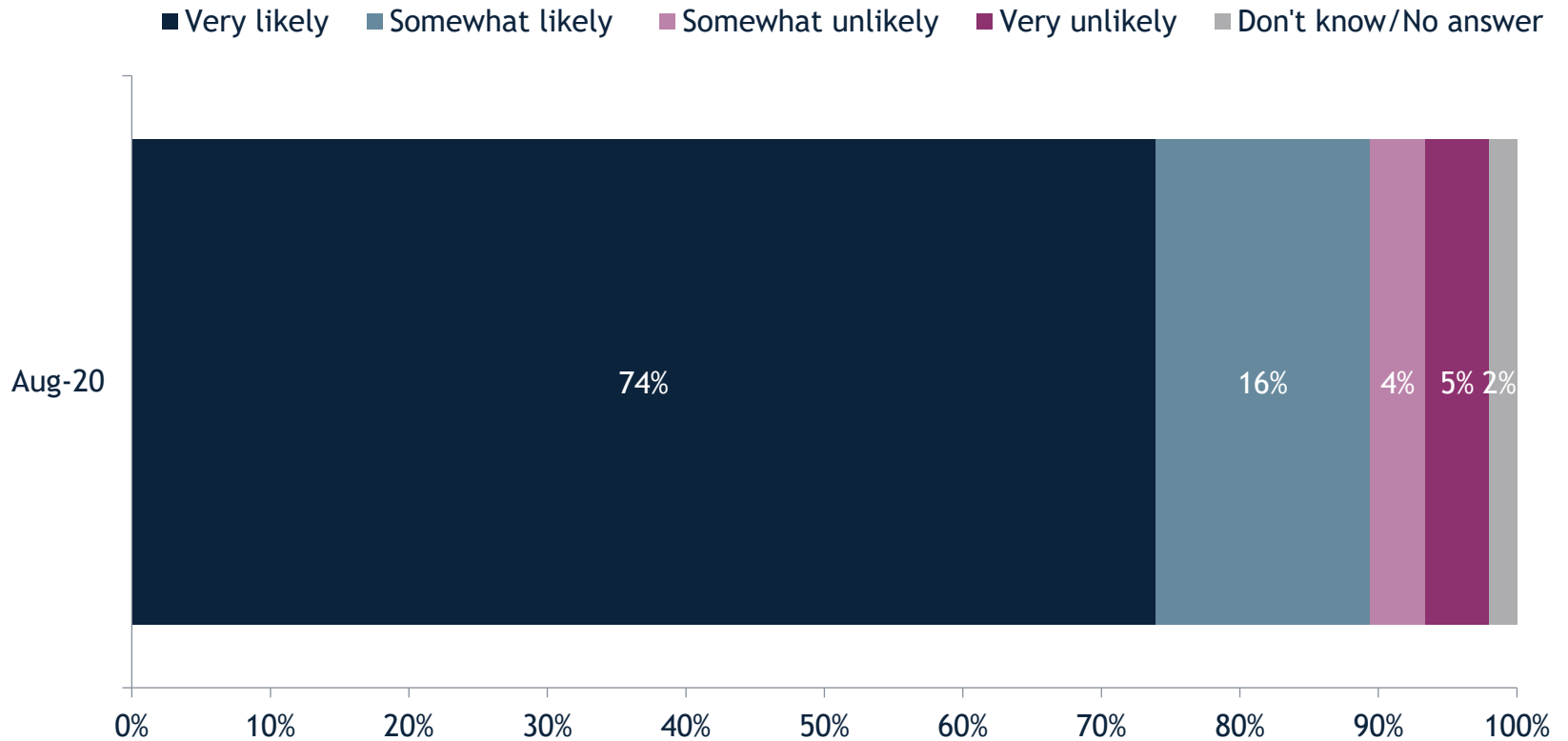
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Voter Interests



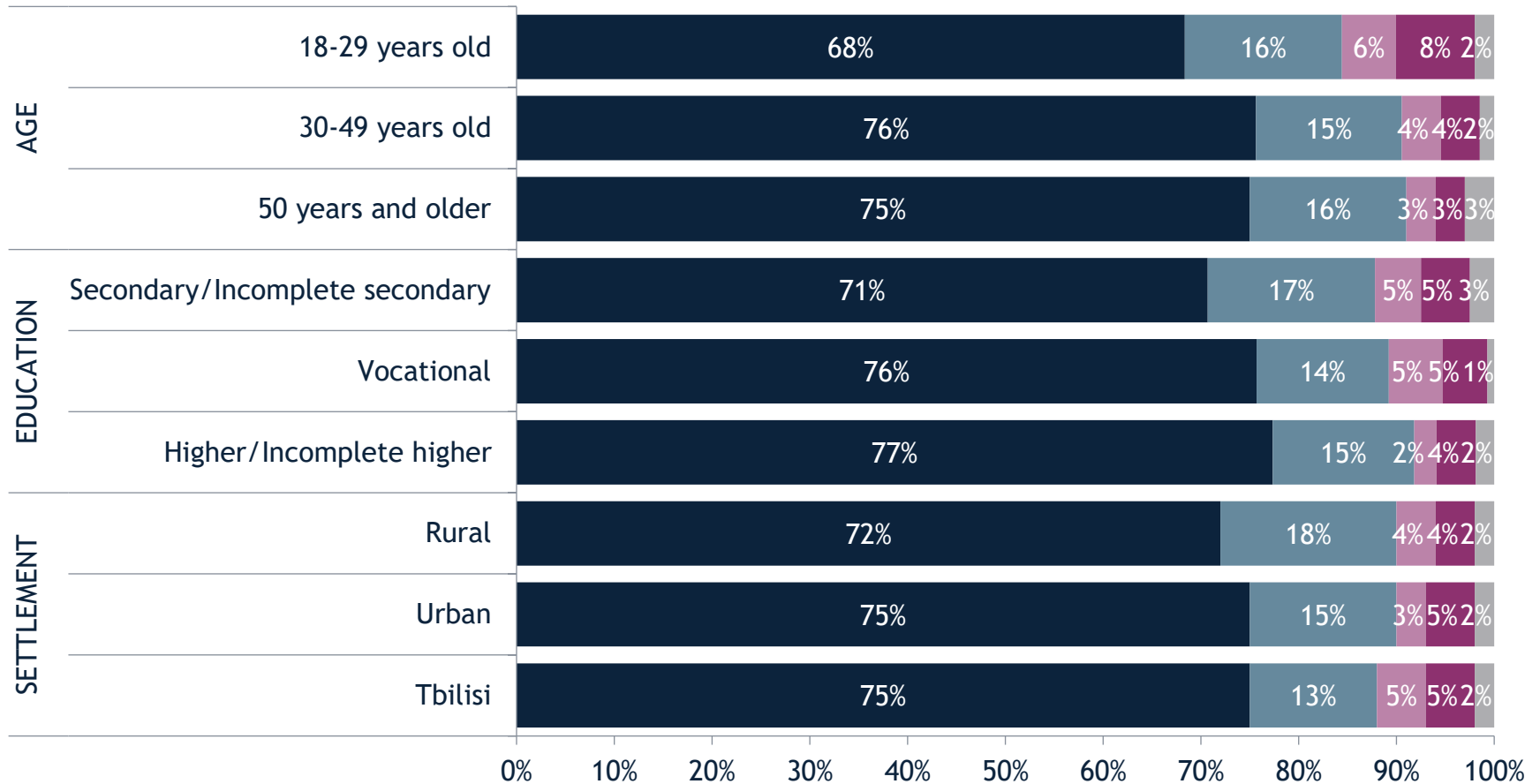
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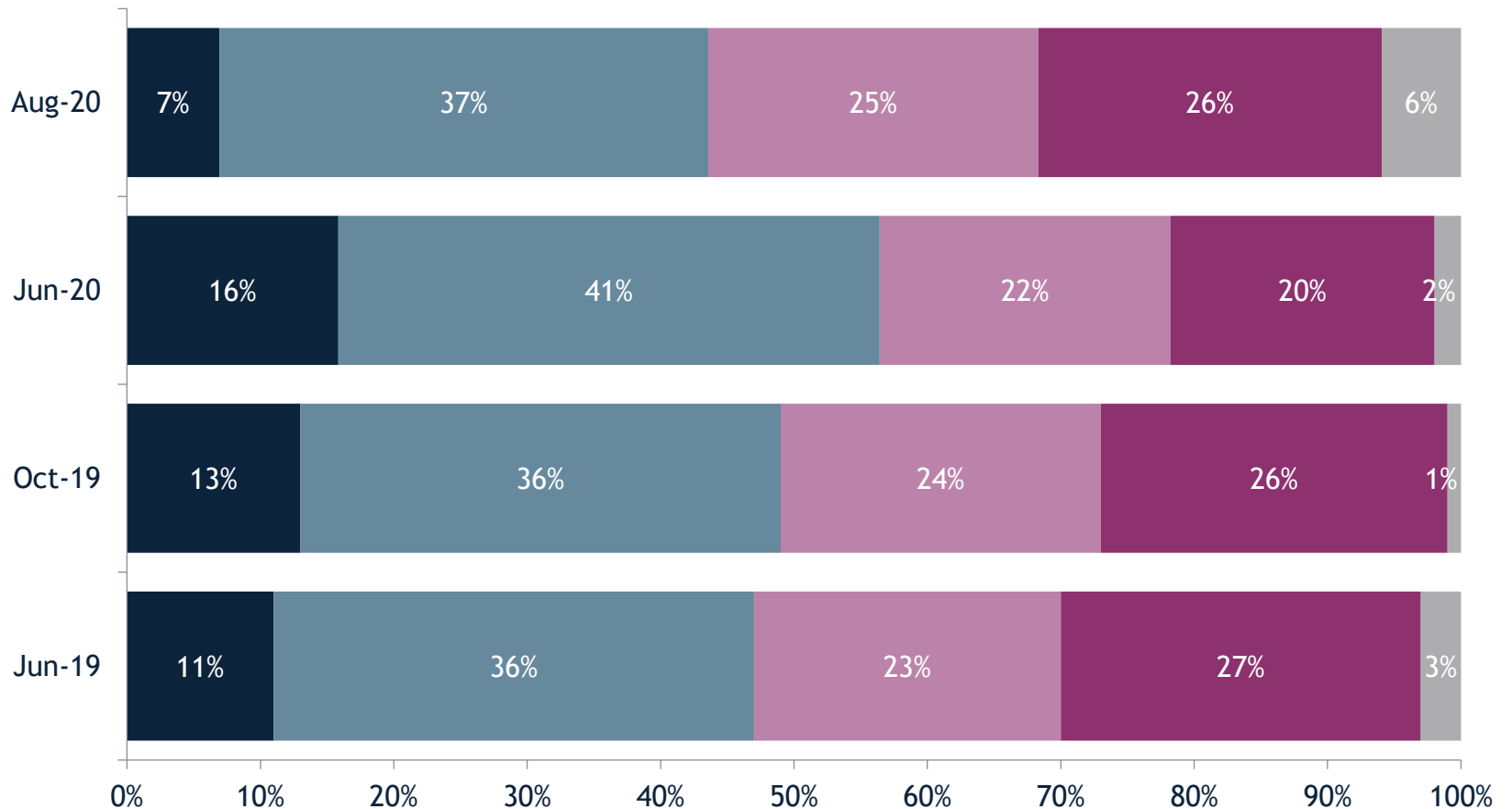
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■ Very likely
 ■ Somewhat likely
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 ■ Very unlikely
 ■ Don't know/No answer



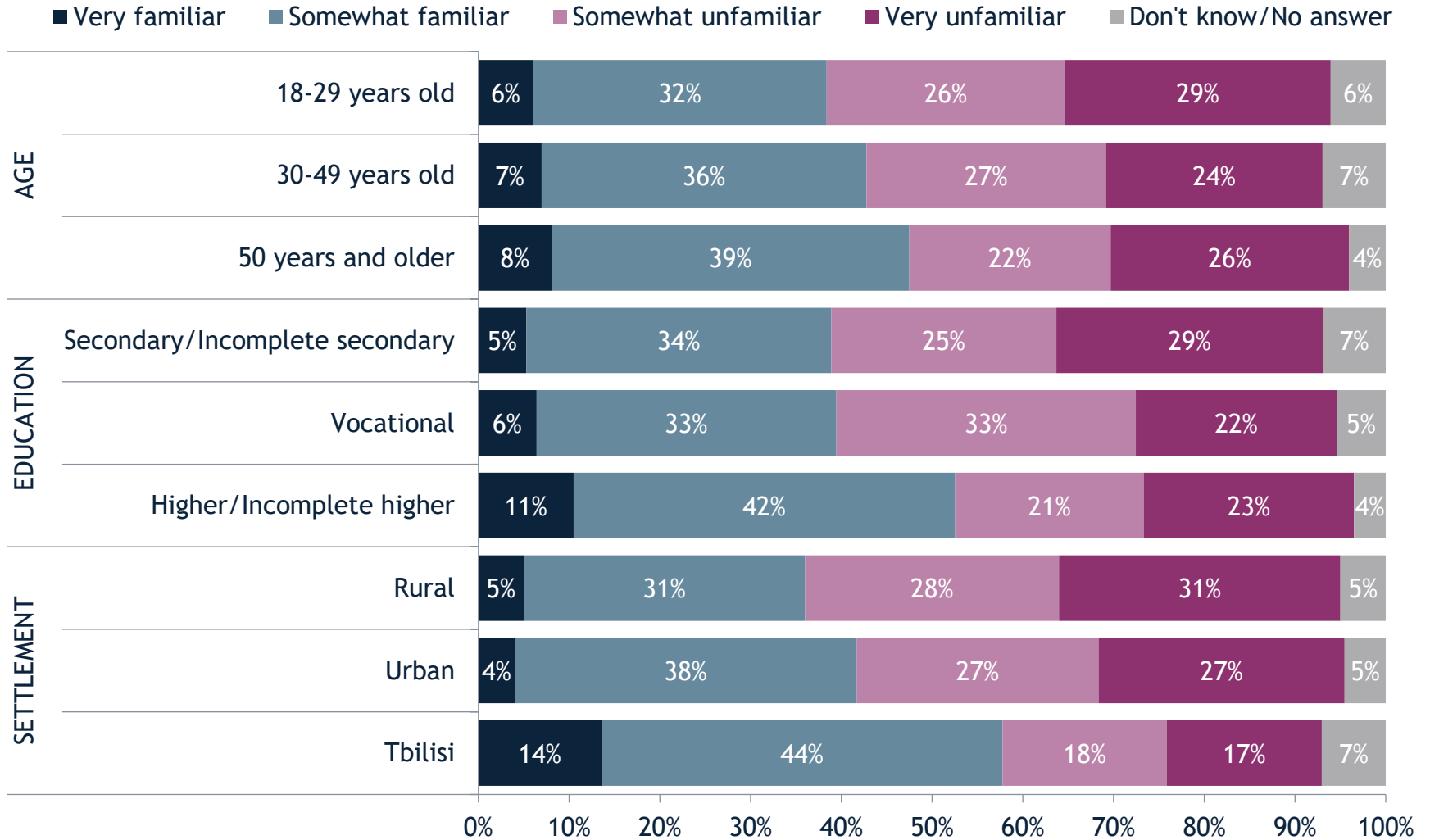
Generally, are you familiar or unfamiliar with the election programs of the parties and candidates running in your city, district or village?

■ Very familiar ■ Somewhat familiar ■ Somewhat unfamiliar ■ Very unfamiliar ■ Don't know/No answer



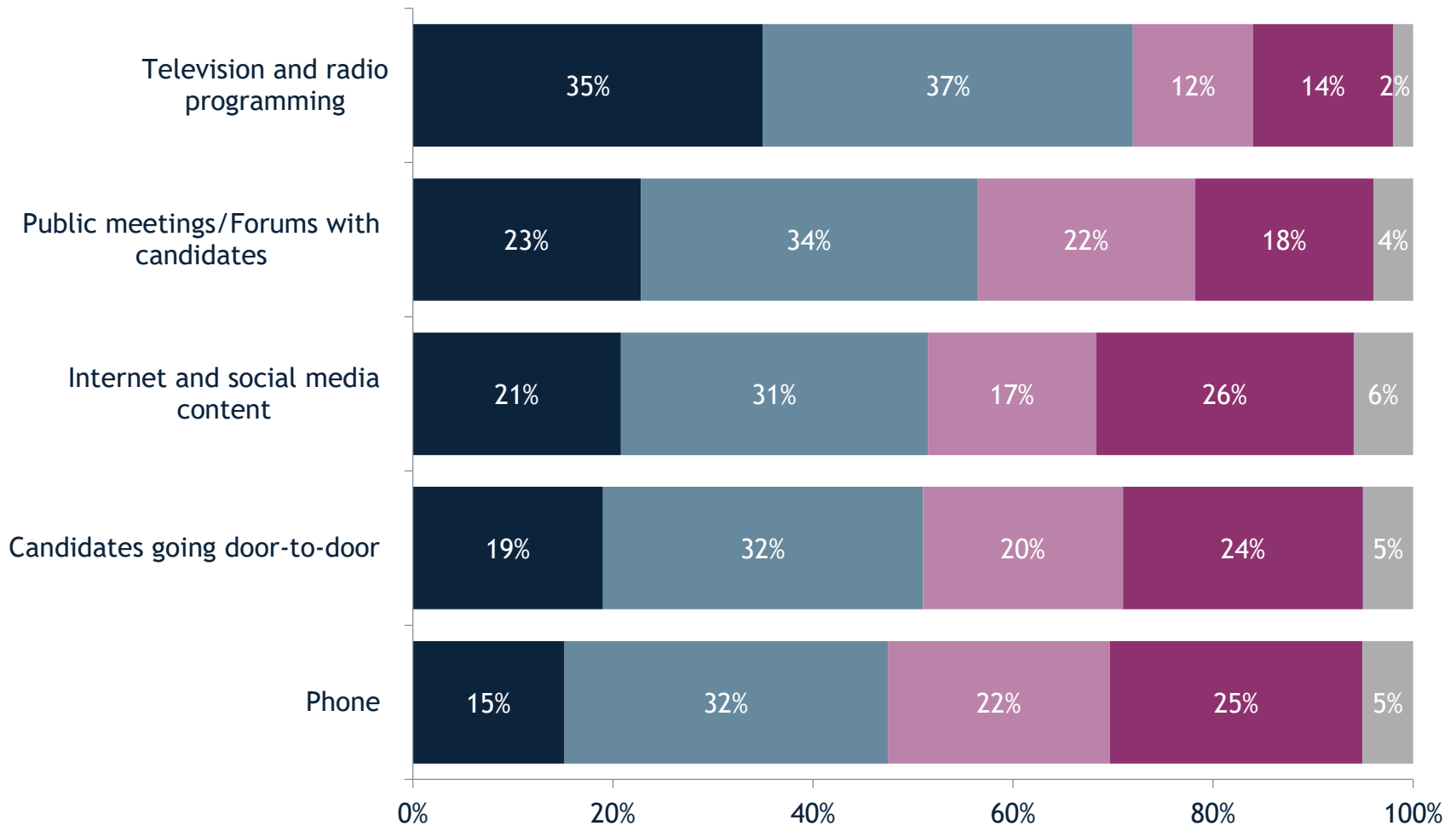
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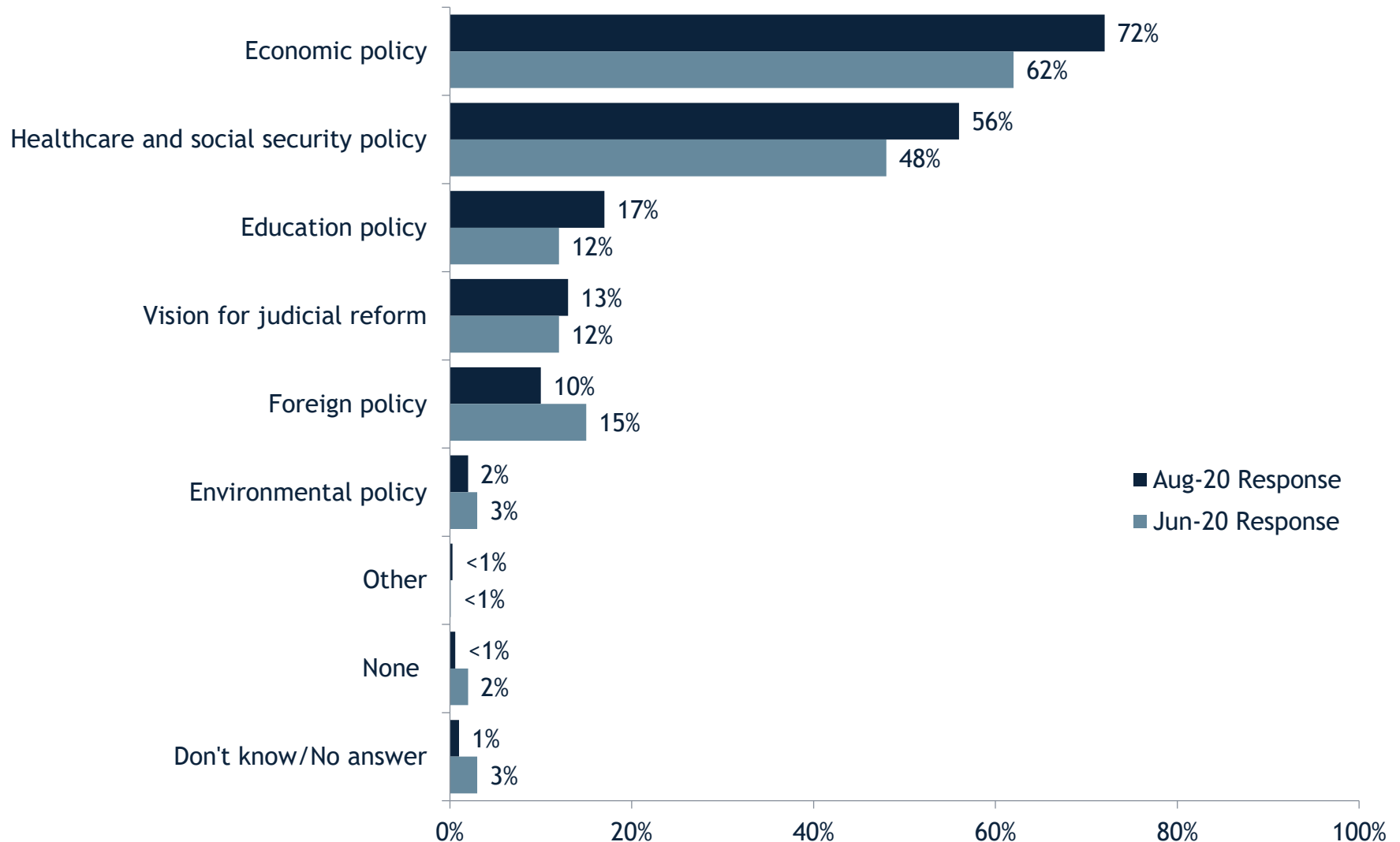
Considering the COVID-19 pandemic situation, from which format are you most likely to seek out campaign messages and other election-related information?

■ Definitely seek
■ Likely seek
■ Not likely to seek
■ Definitely not seek
■ Don't know/No answer



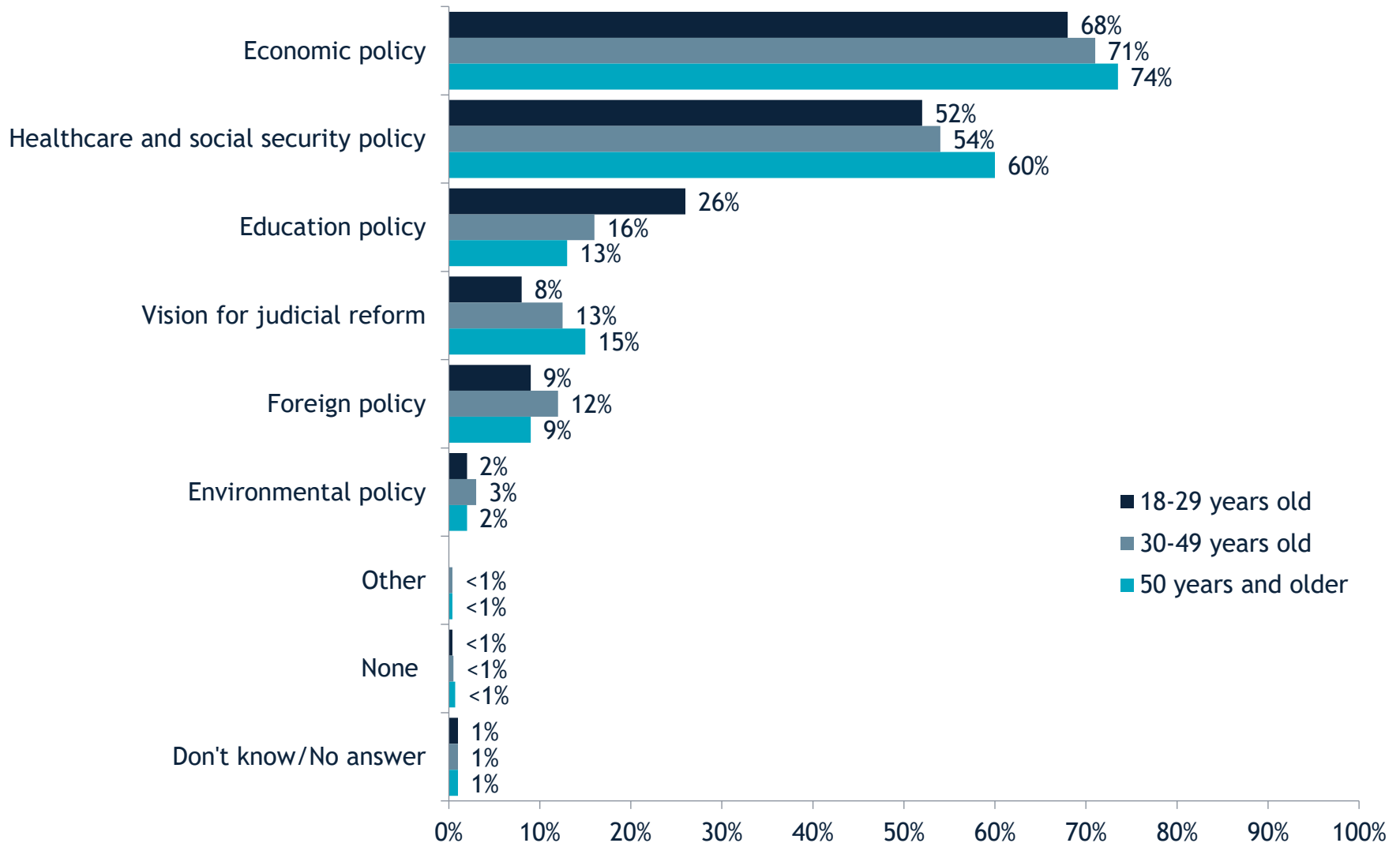
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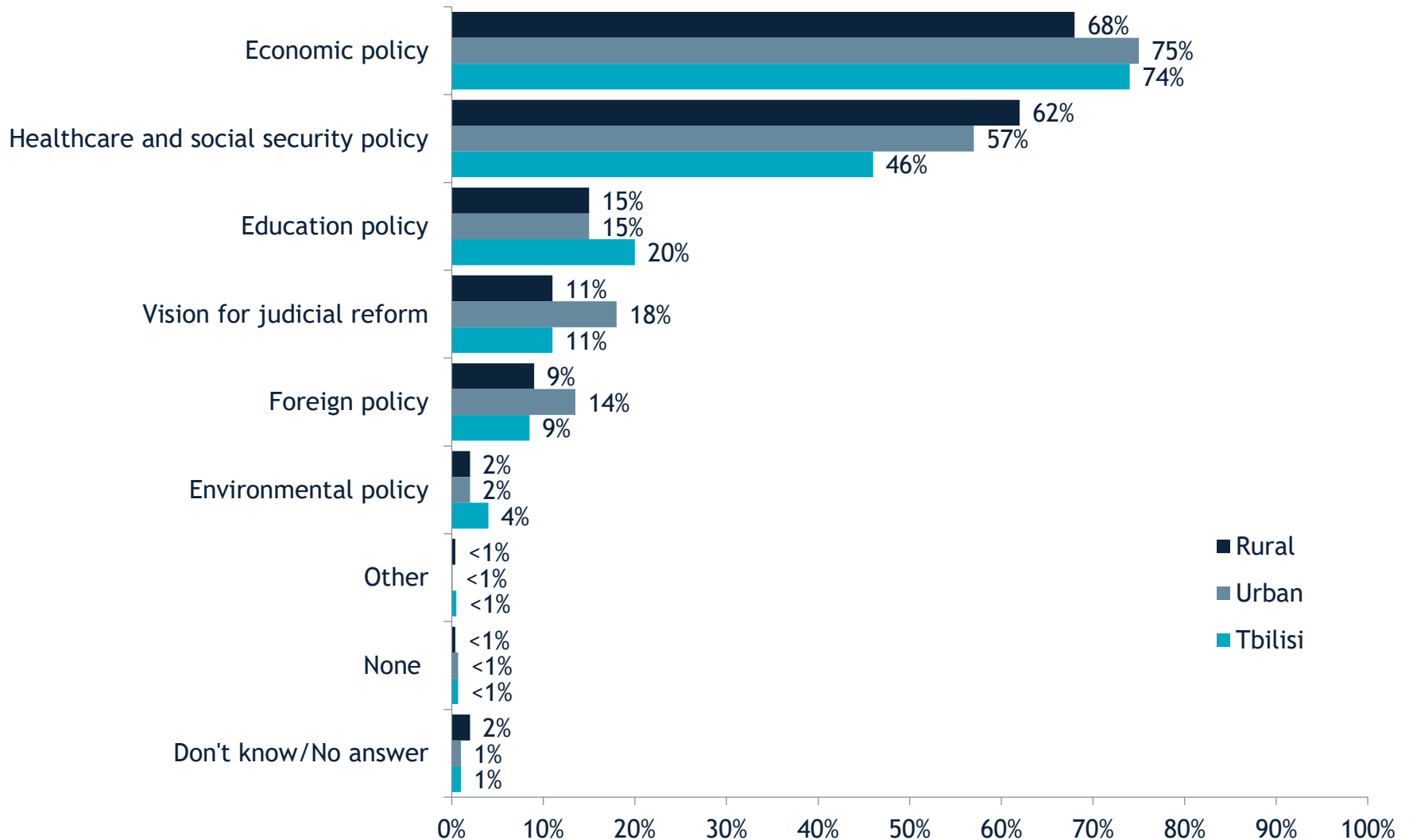
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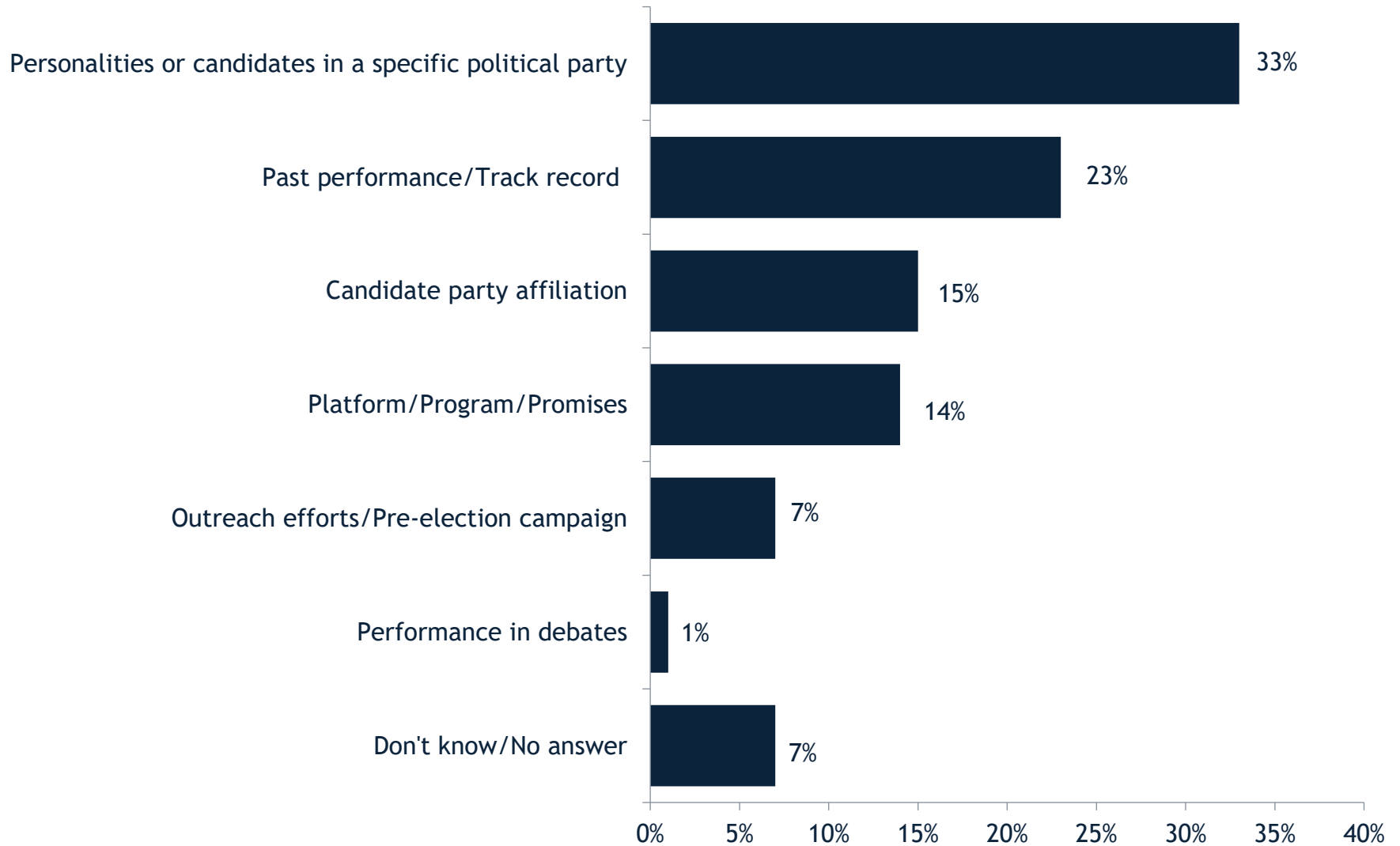


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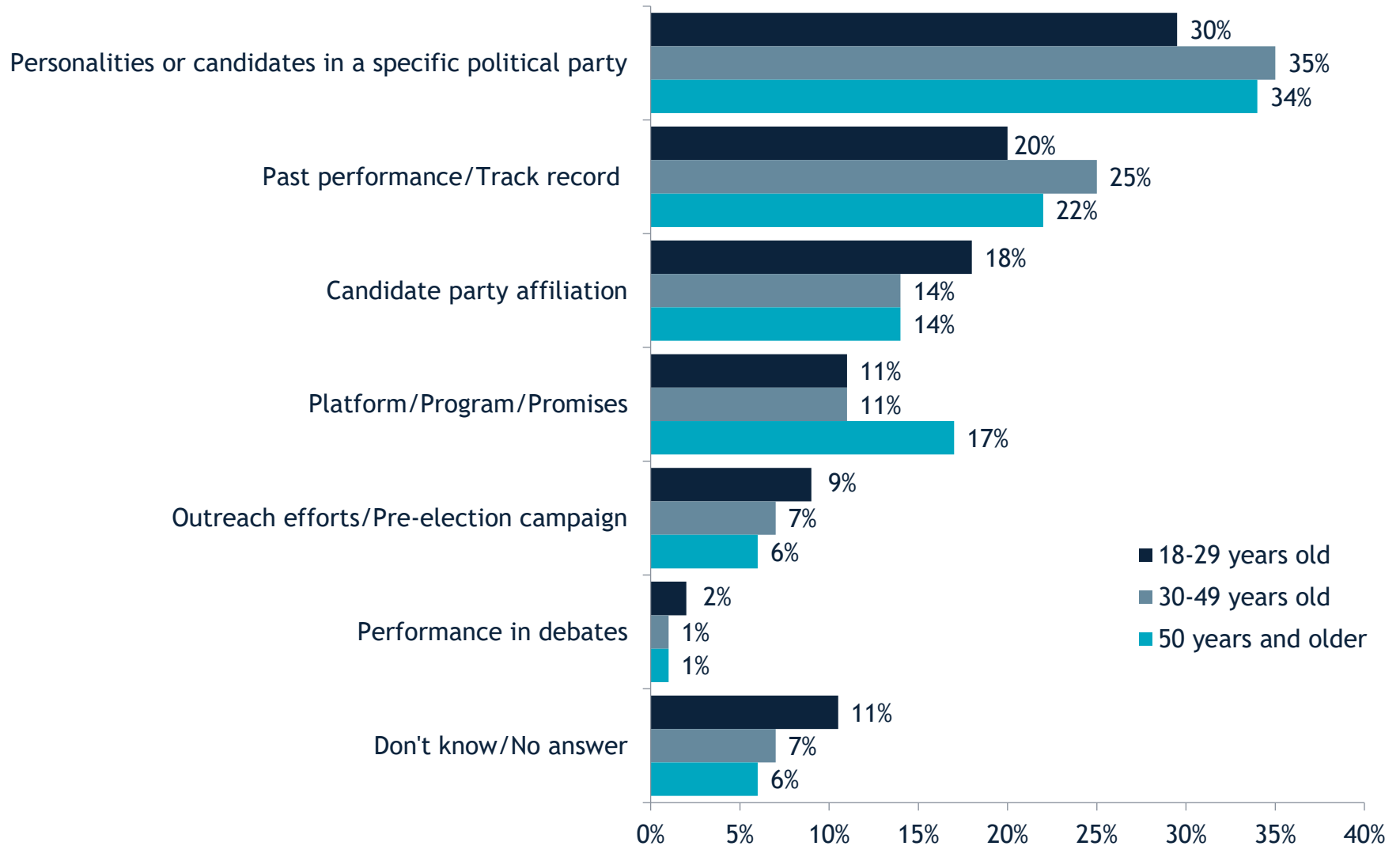


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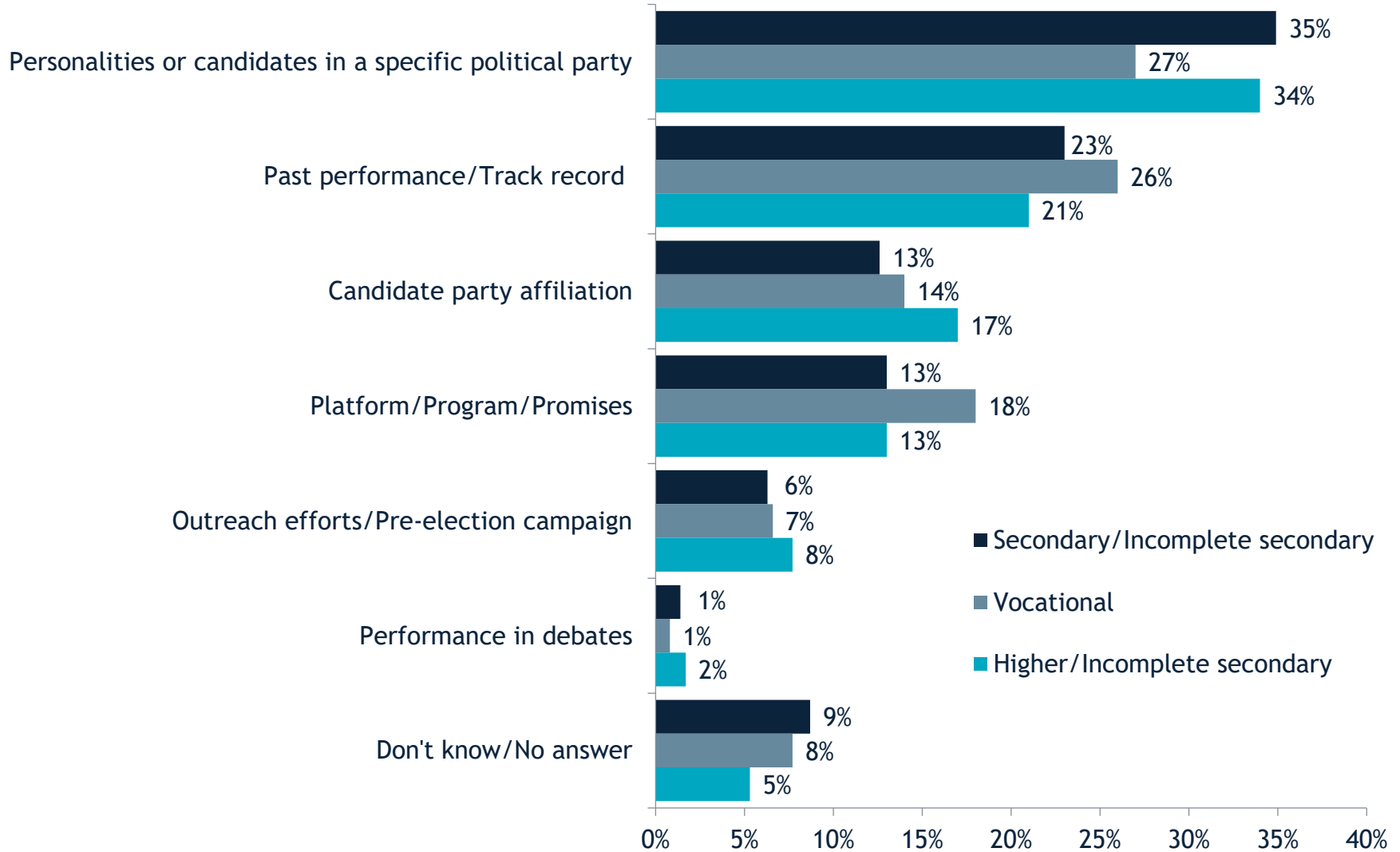


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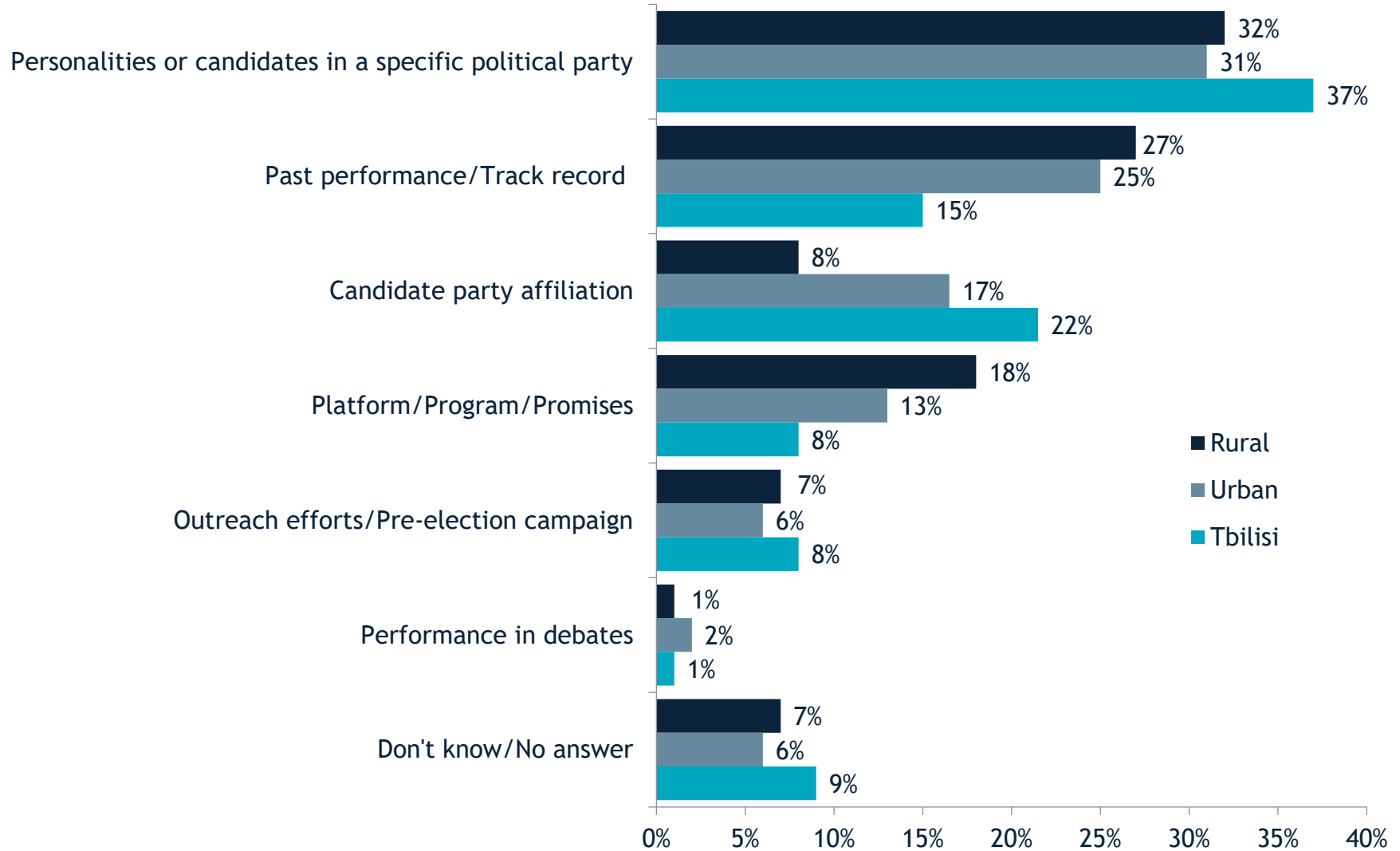
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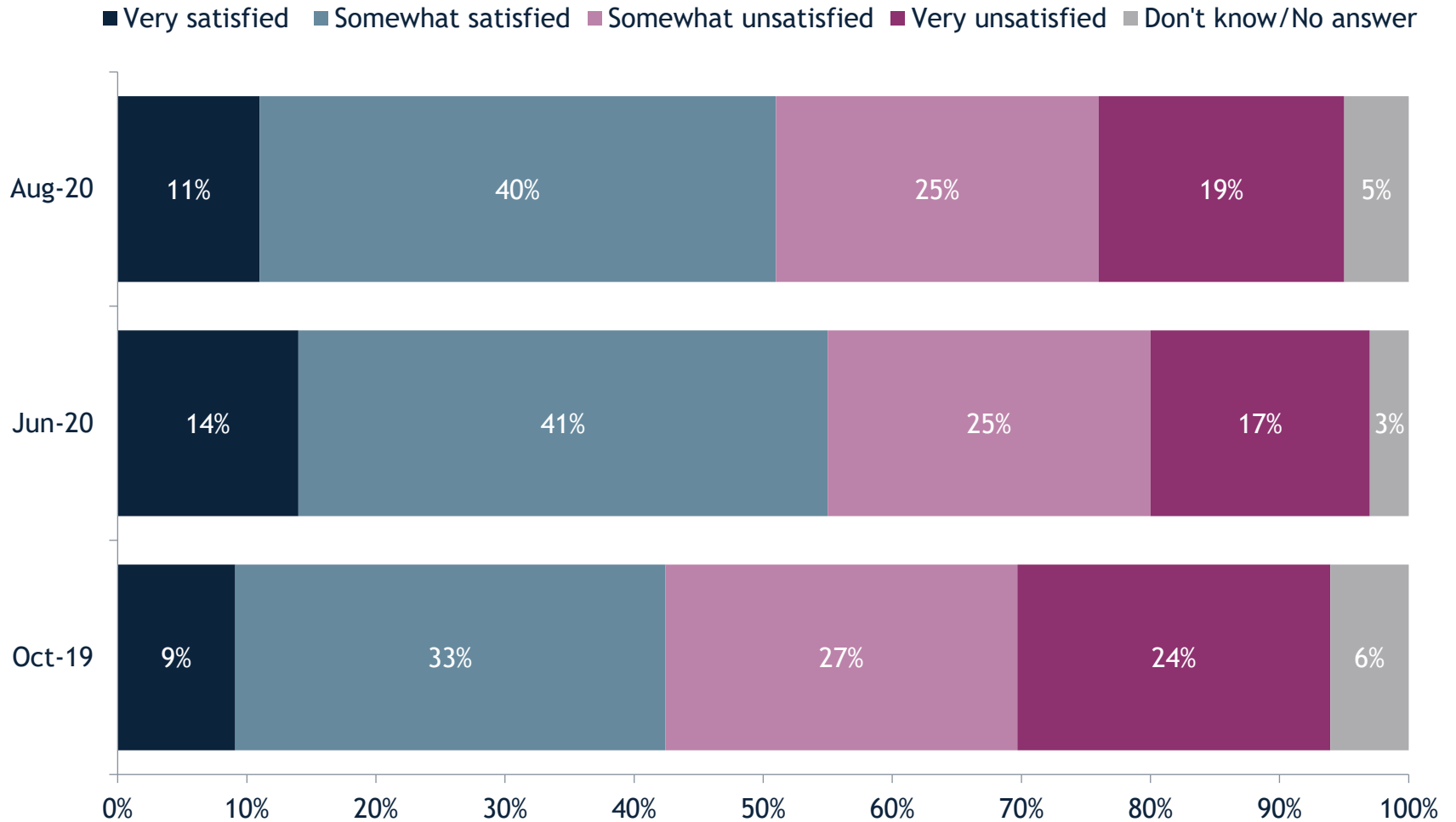




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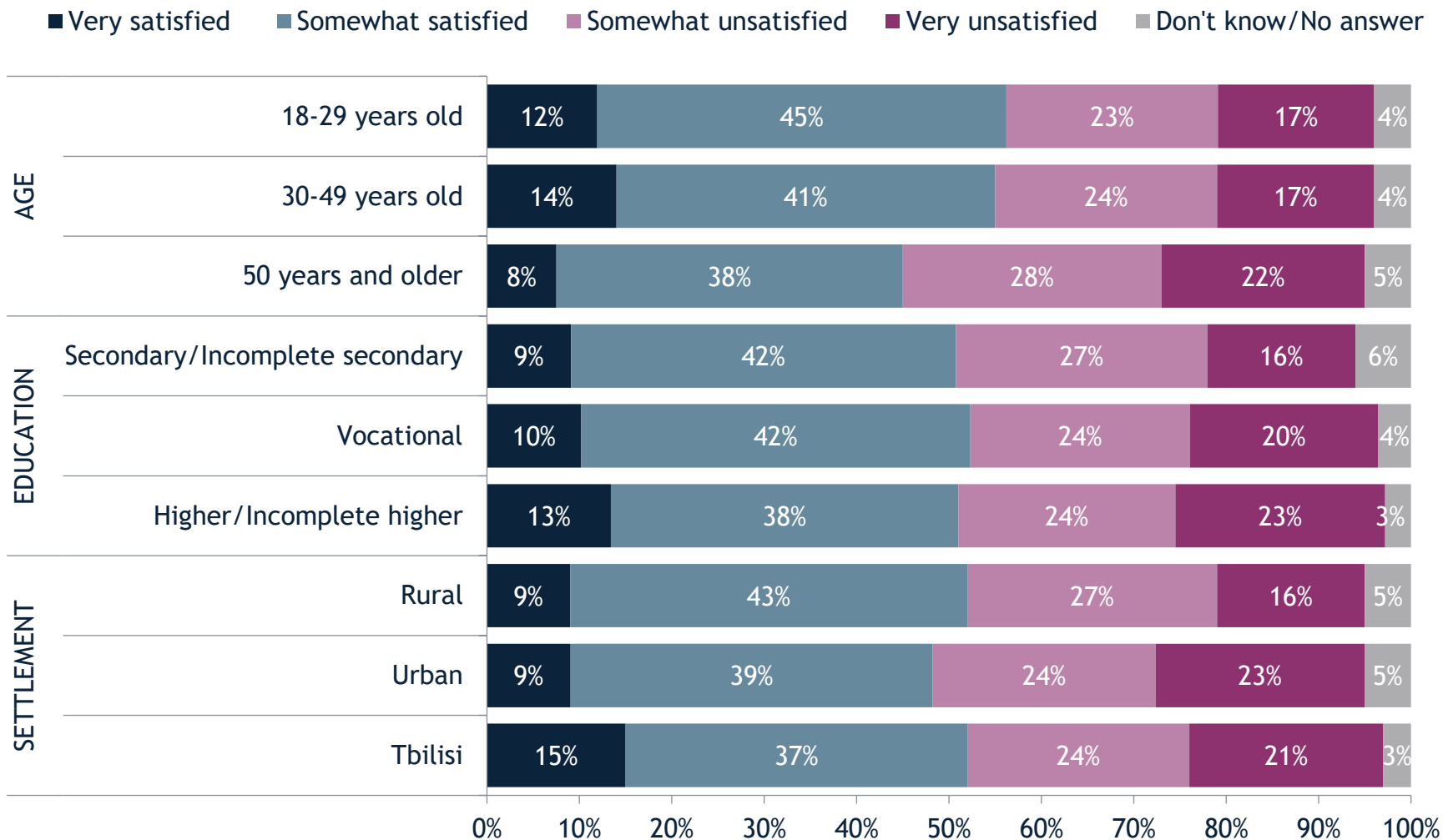


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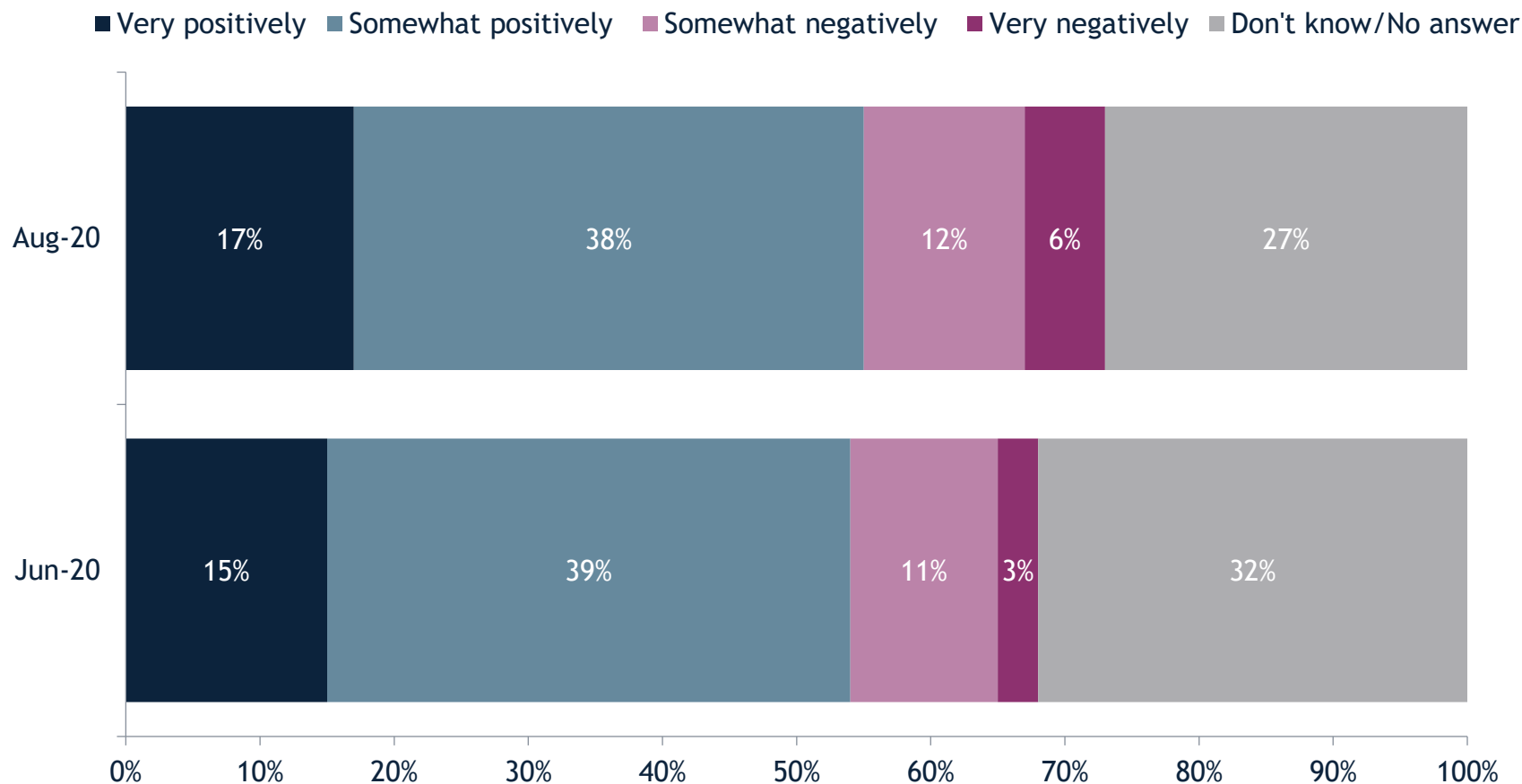


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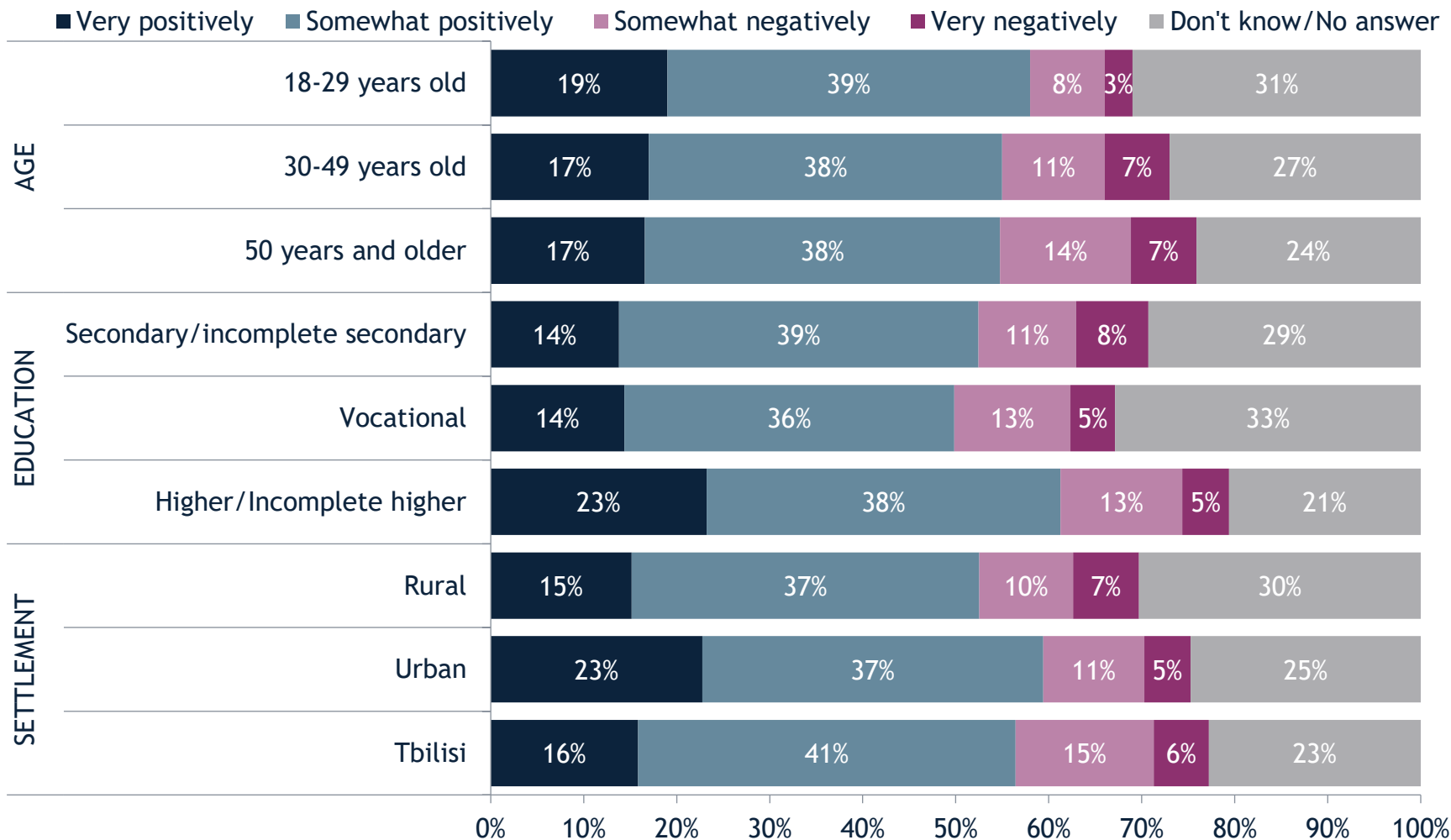


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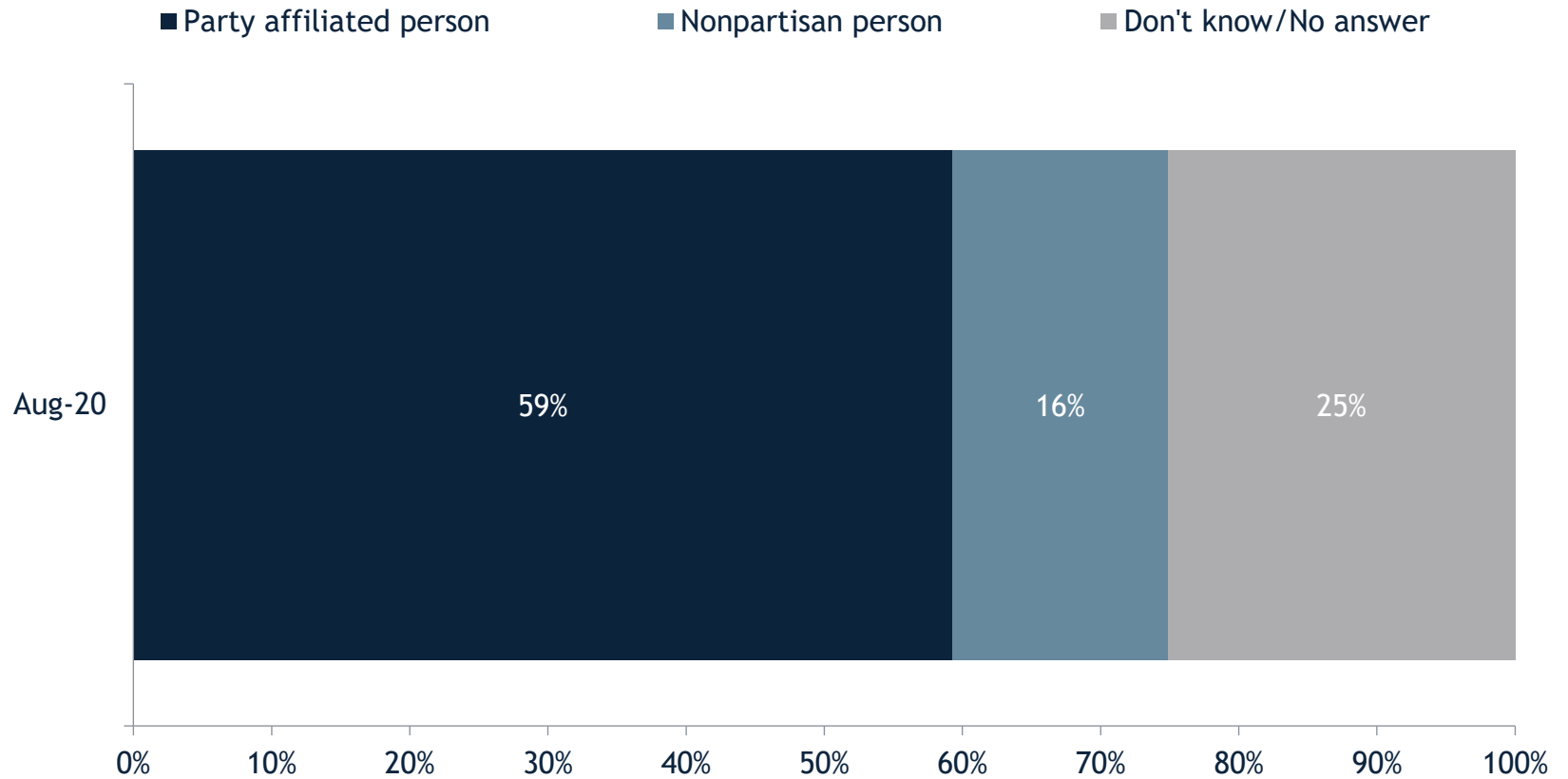


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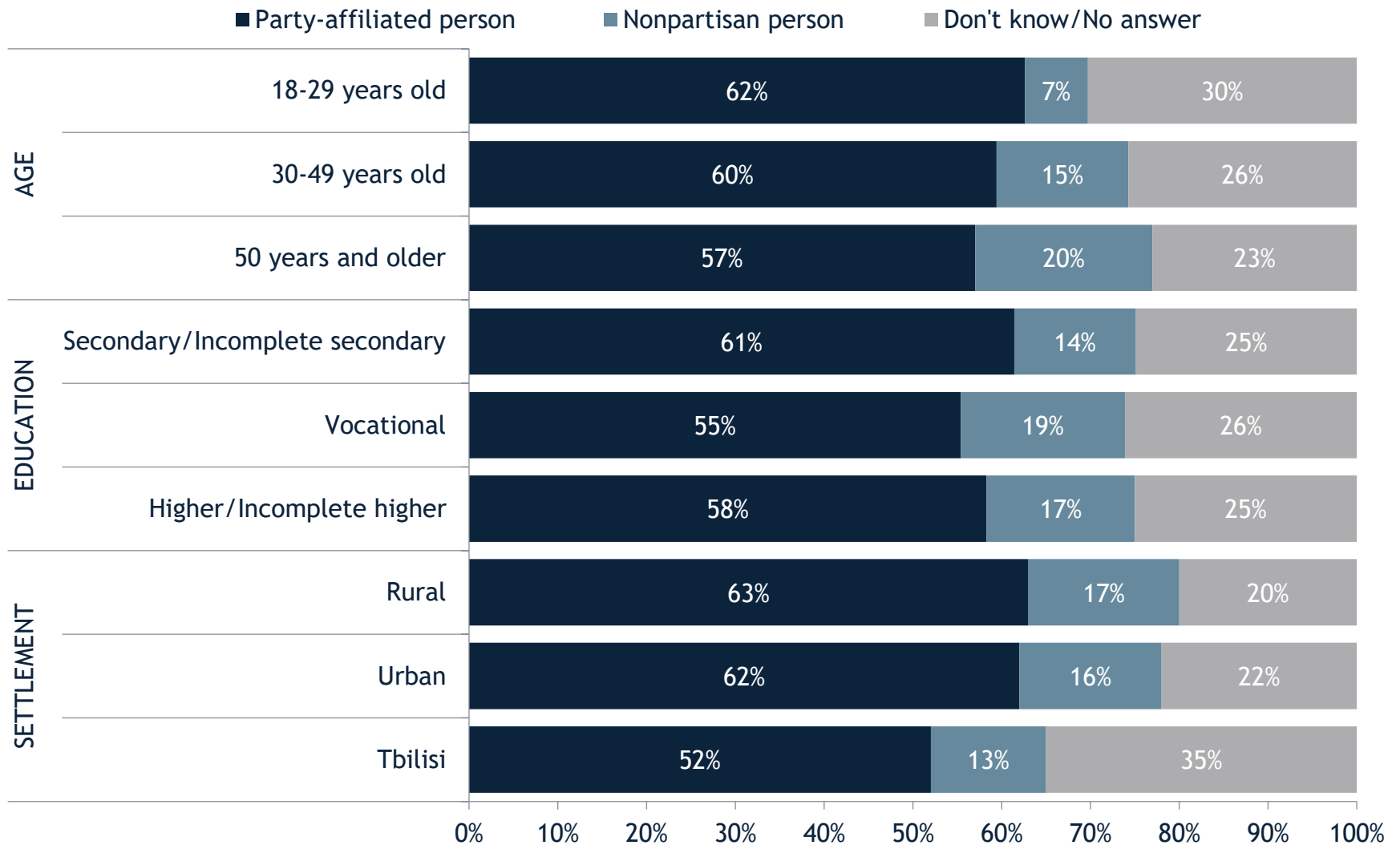


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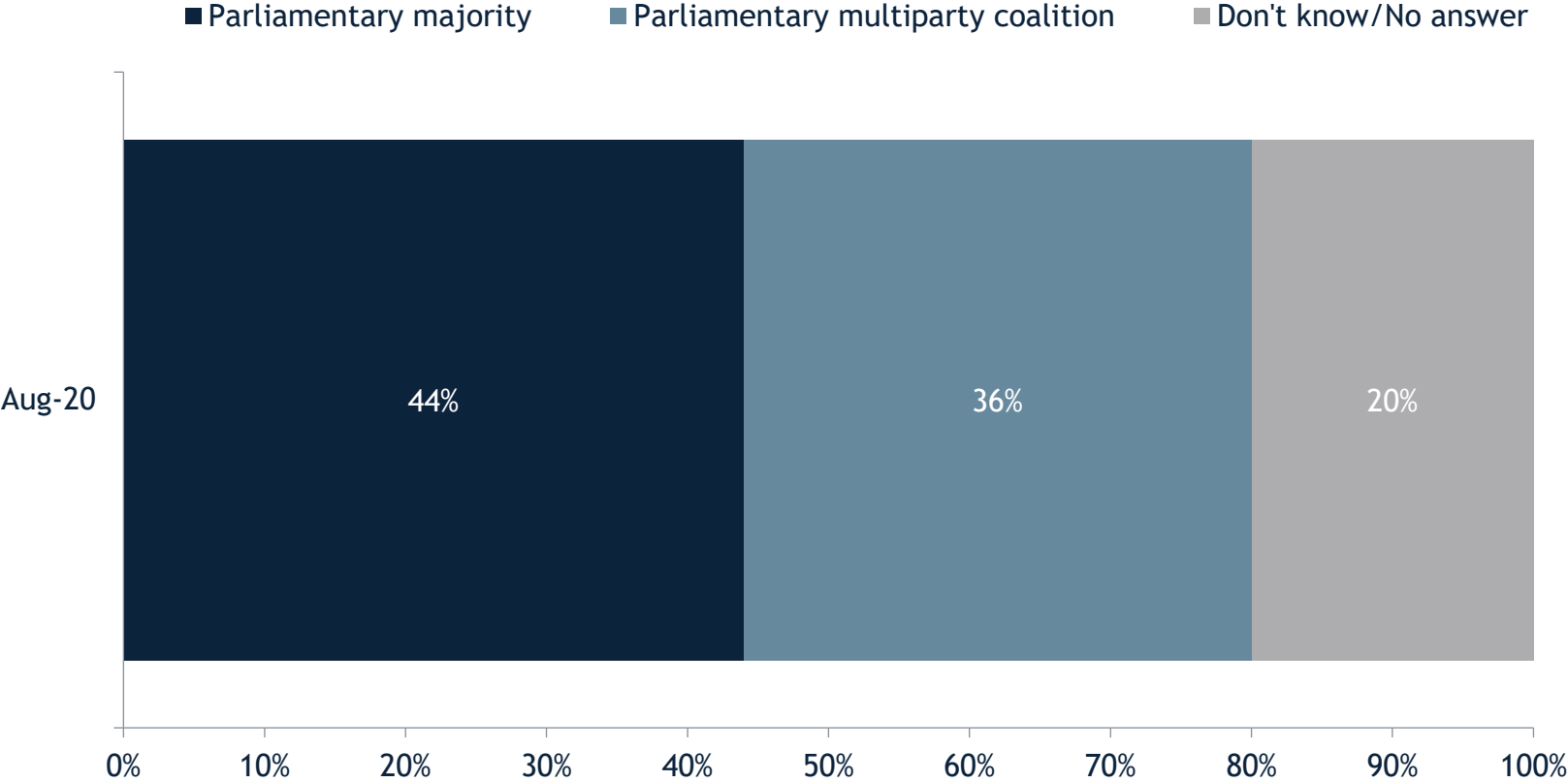


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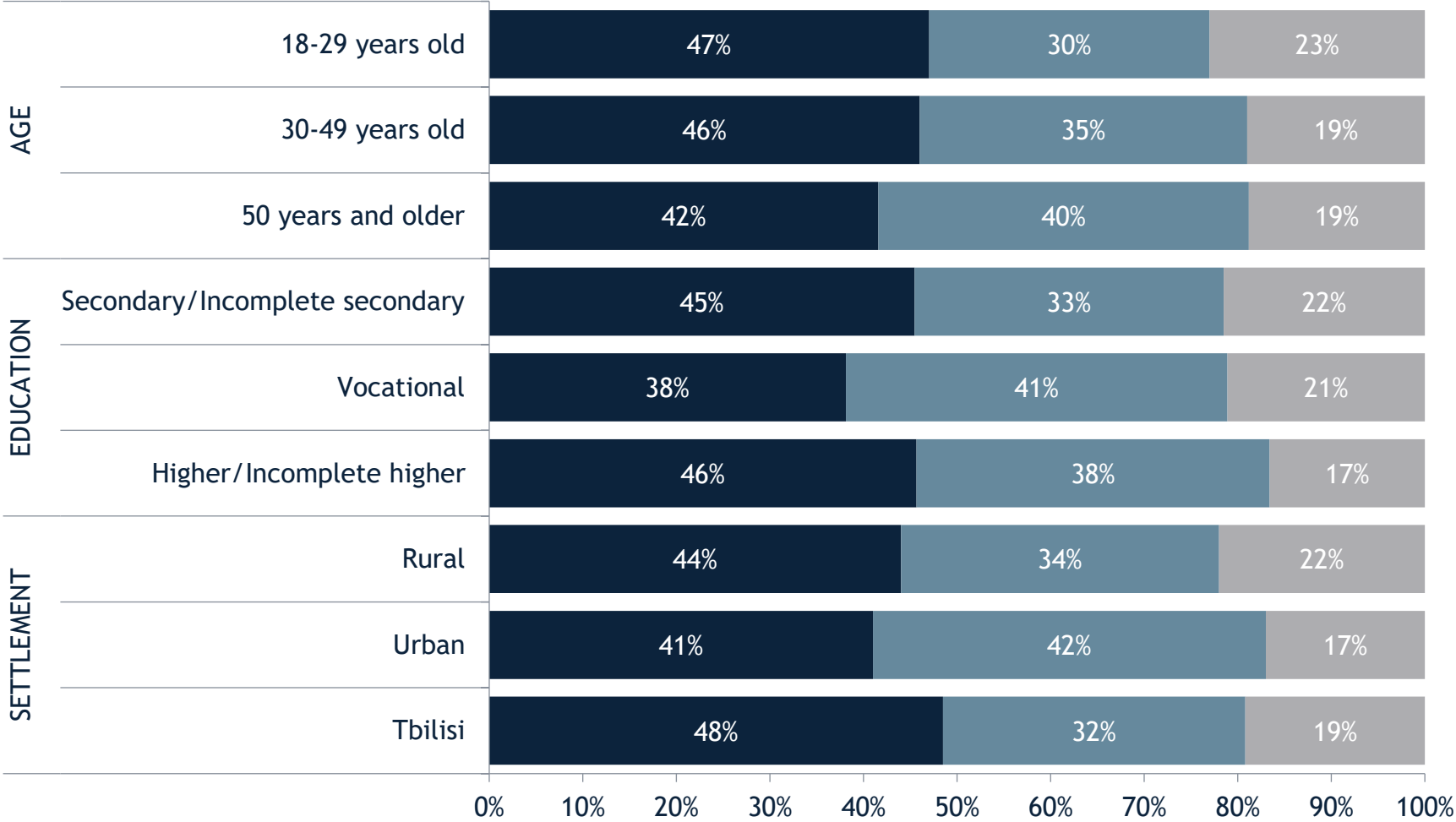
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■ Parliamentary majority ■ Parliamentary multiparty coalition ■ Don't know/No answer



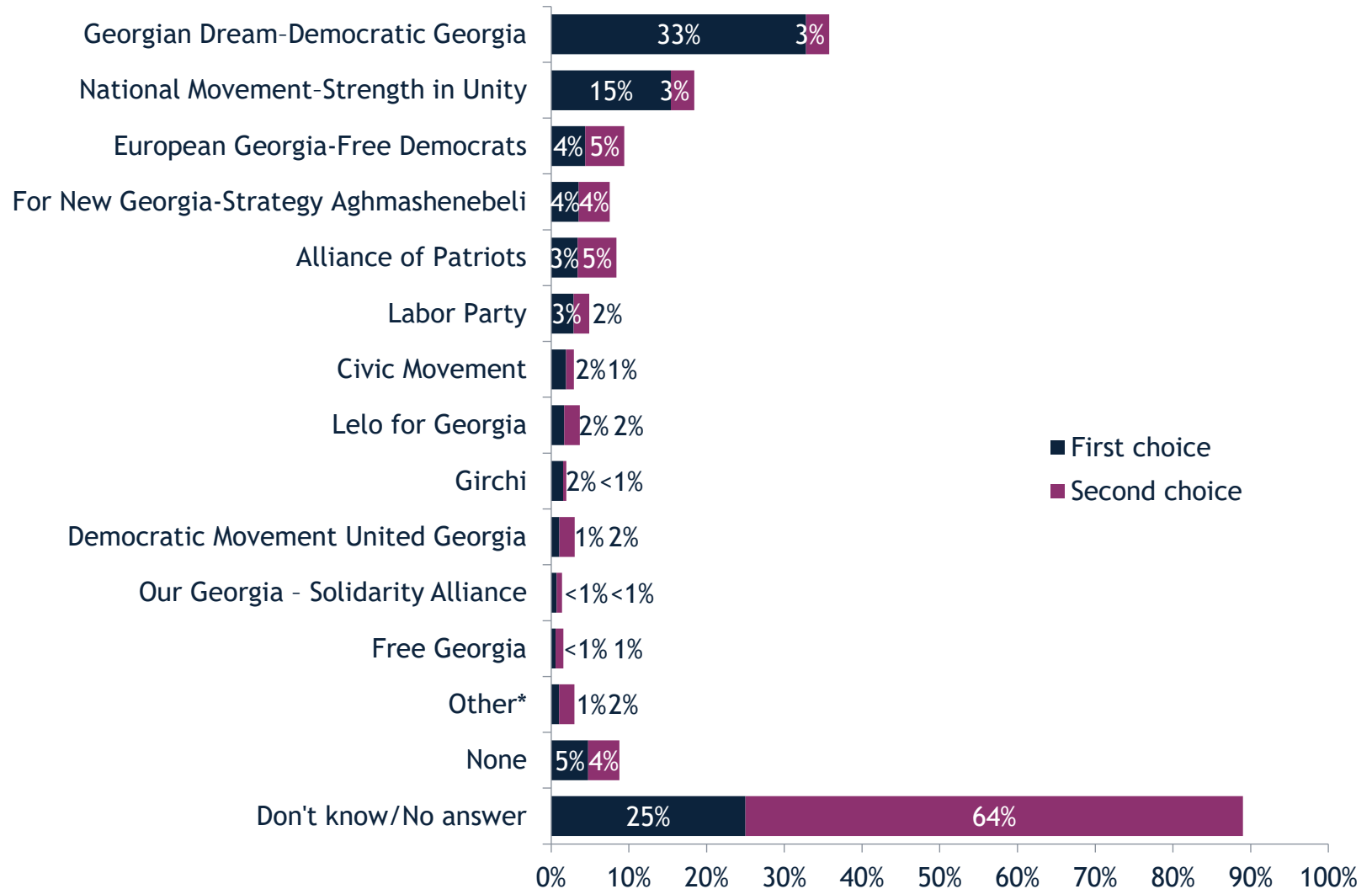


Political Parties



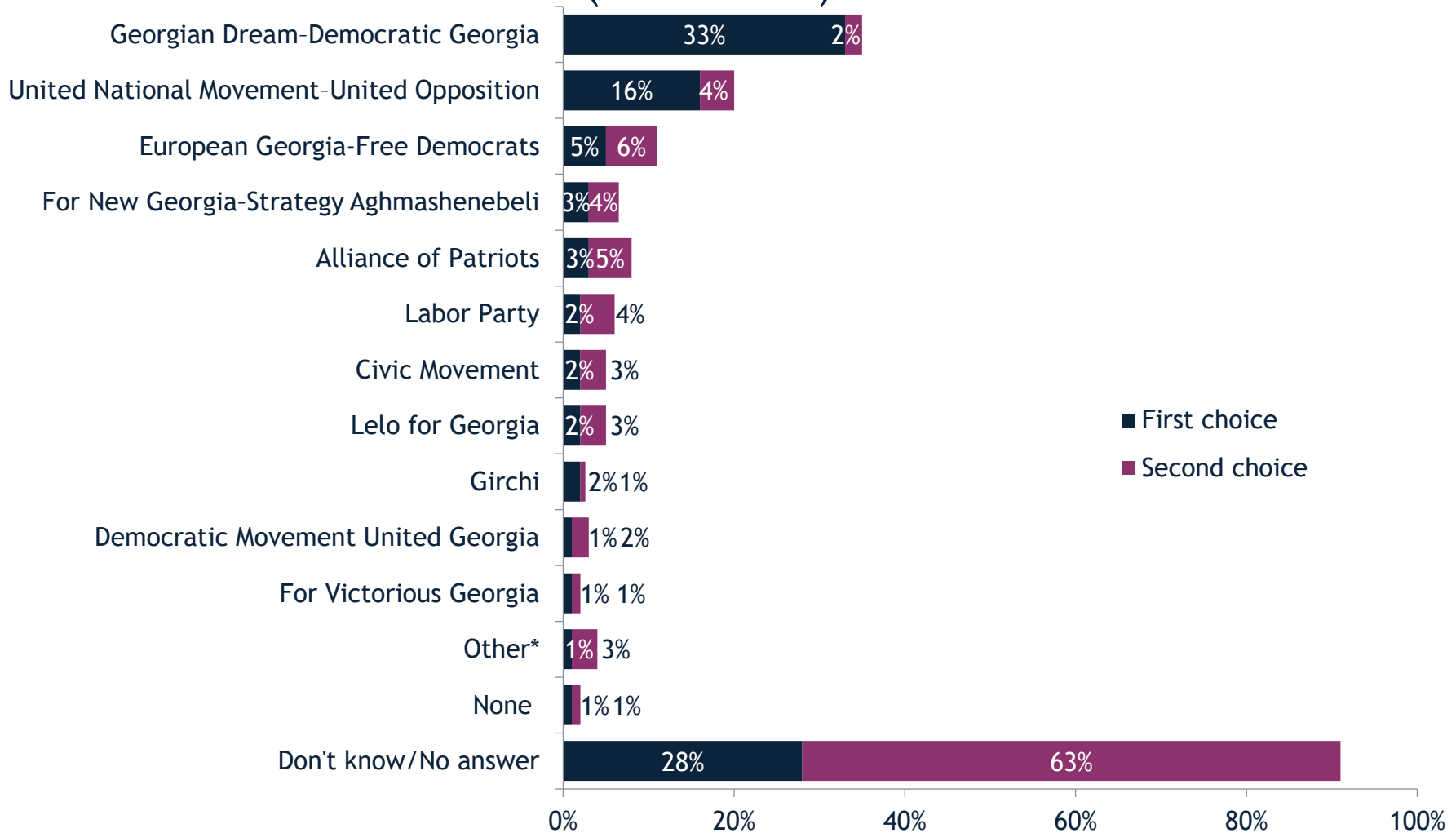
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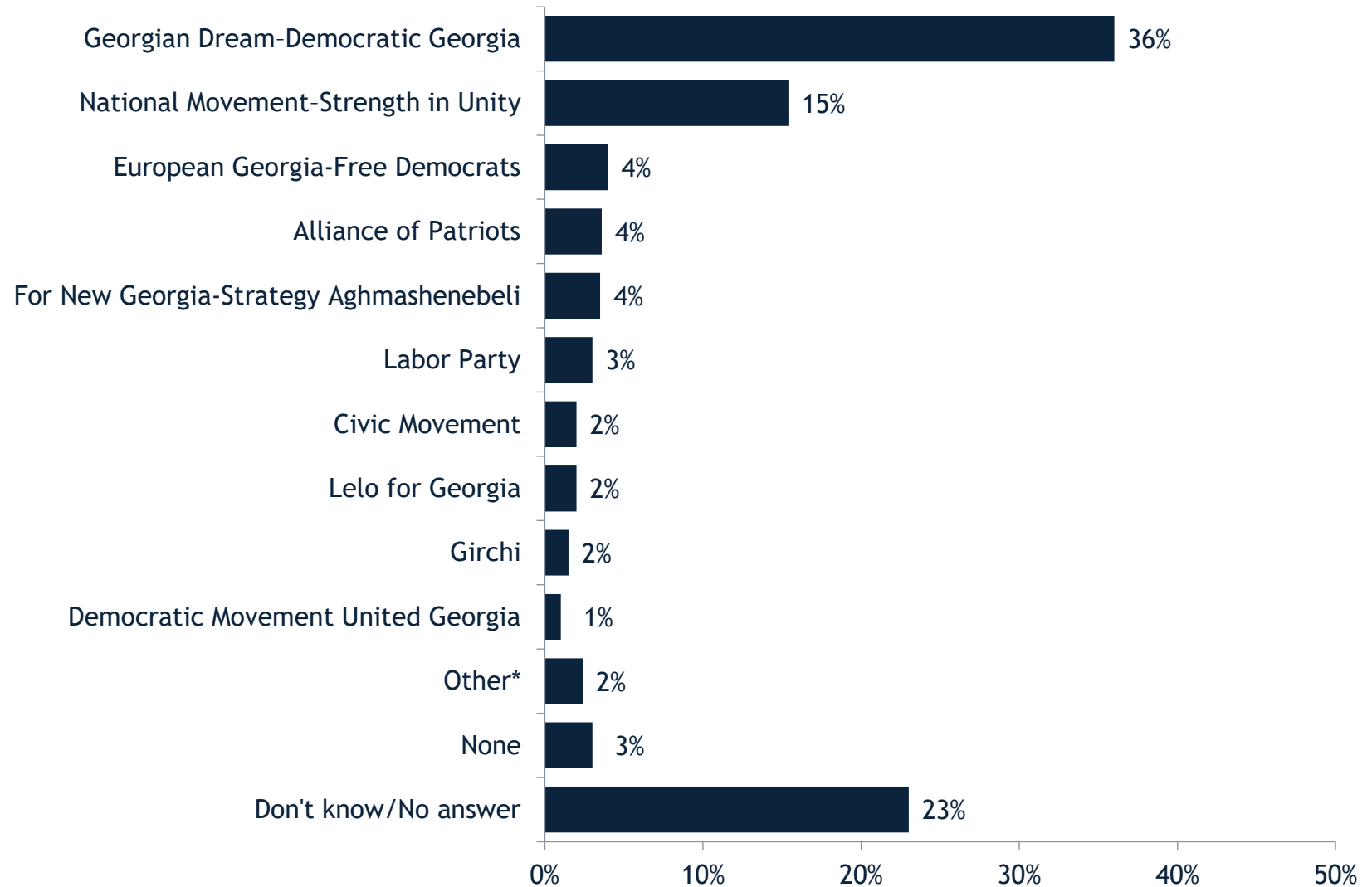
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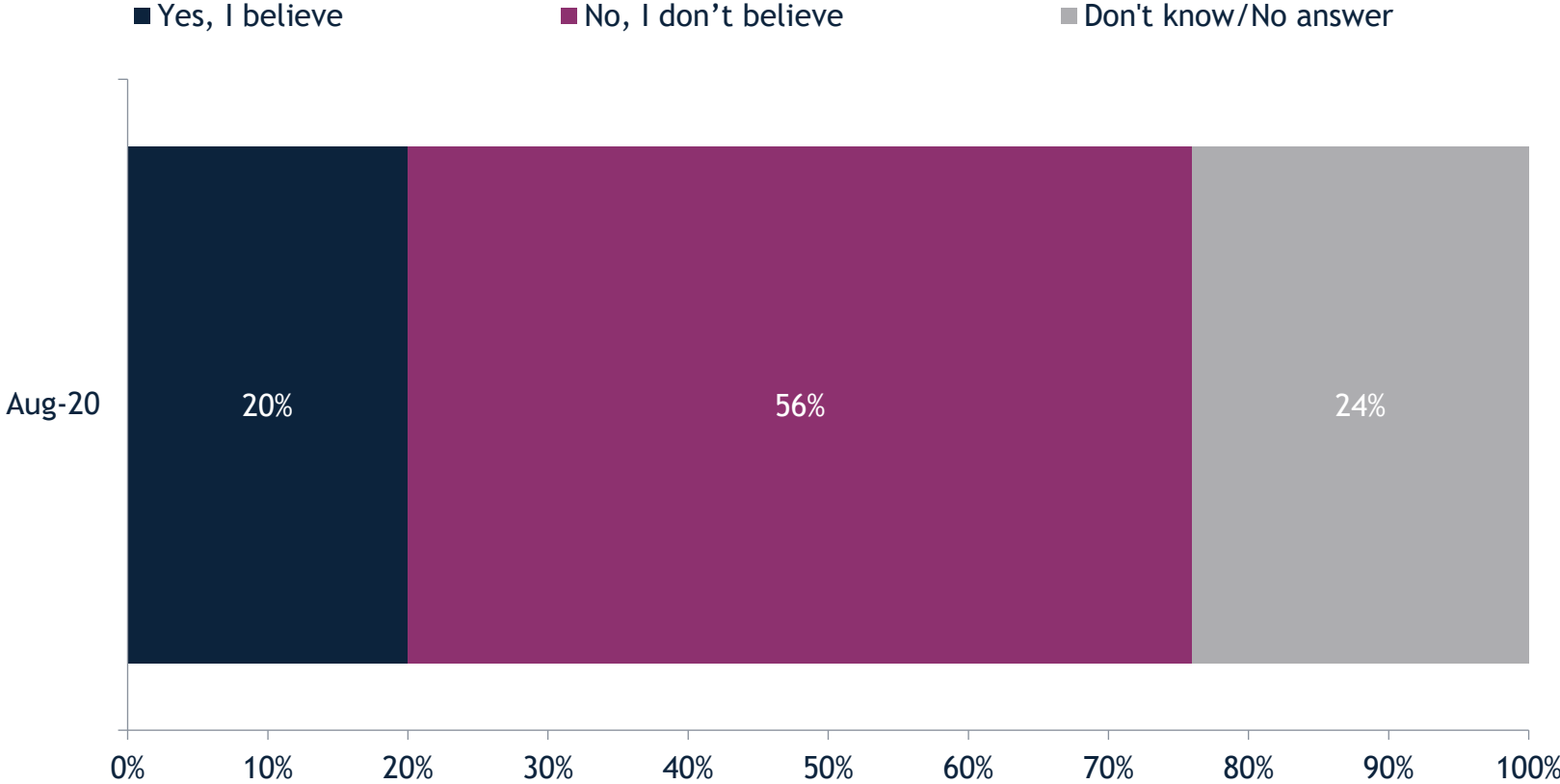
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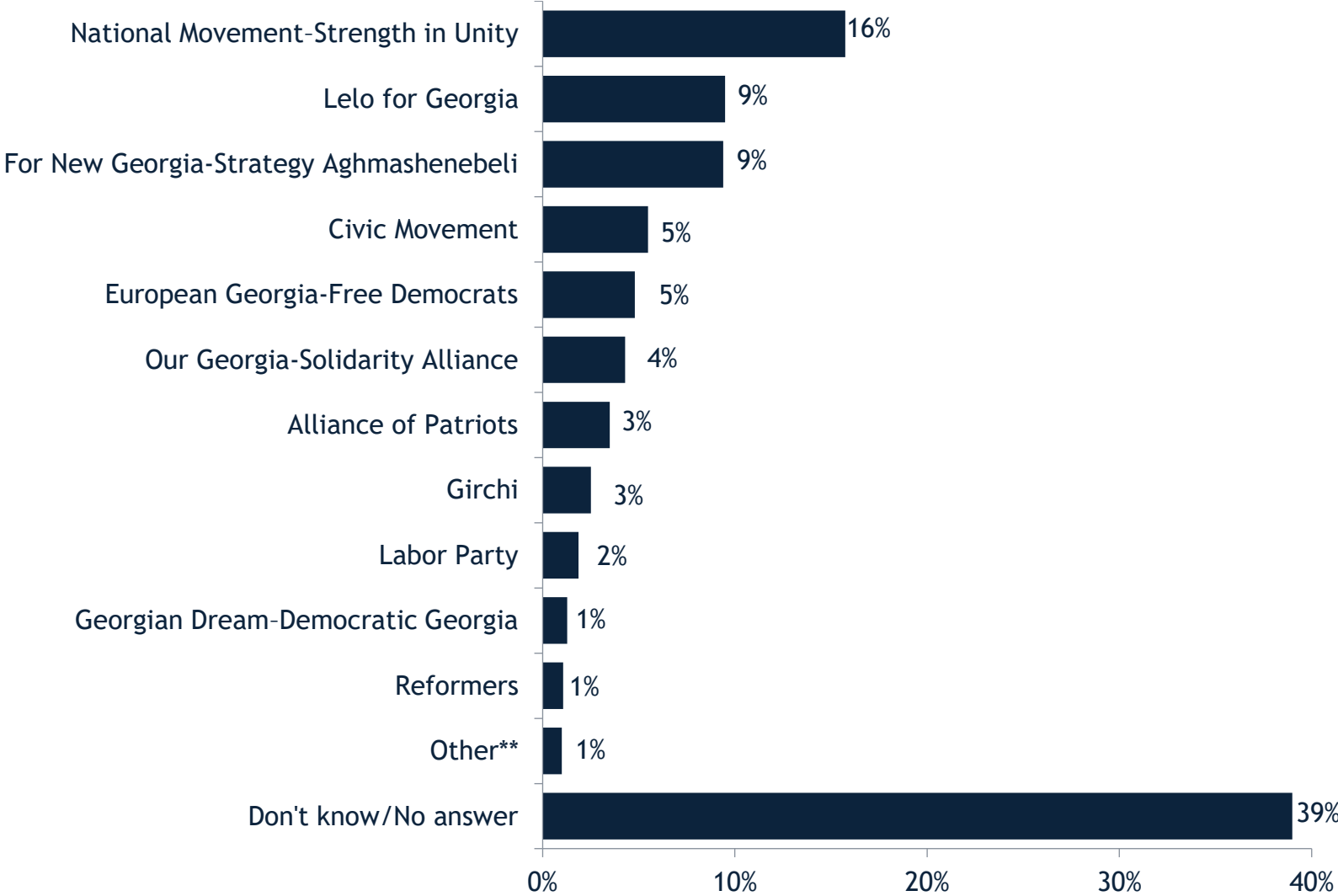
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Some people have advocated for new parties which offer alternatives to the parties in Parliament. Do you believe there are any parties that provide a viable alternative for this coming election?



If yes, which party would you suggest as a viable alternative*?

(Respondents believing that there are viable alternatives, n=301)



* Some of the “alternative” political parties names by respondents are currently represented in parliament

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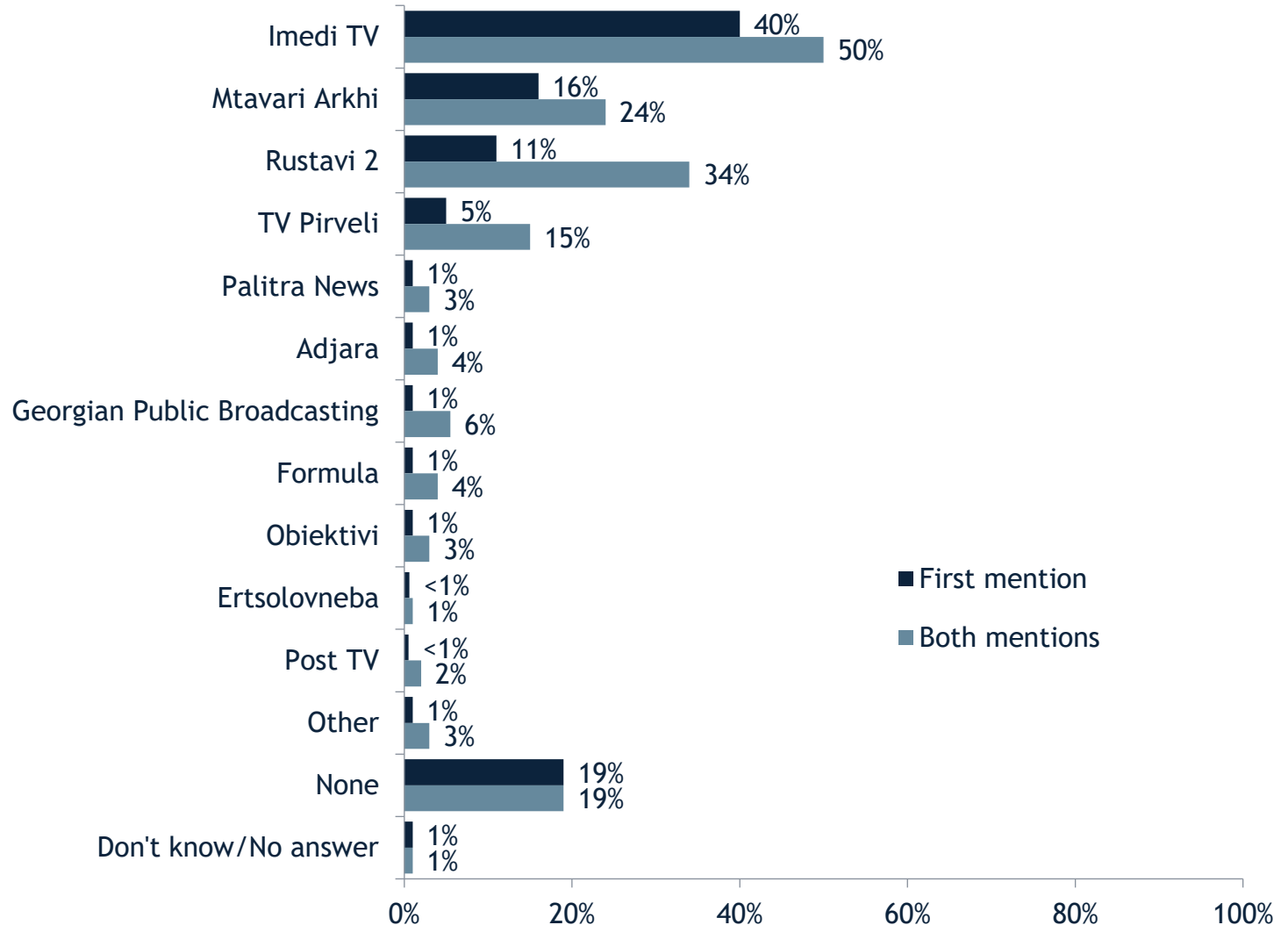


Sources of Information

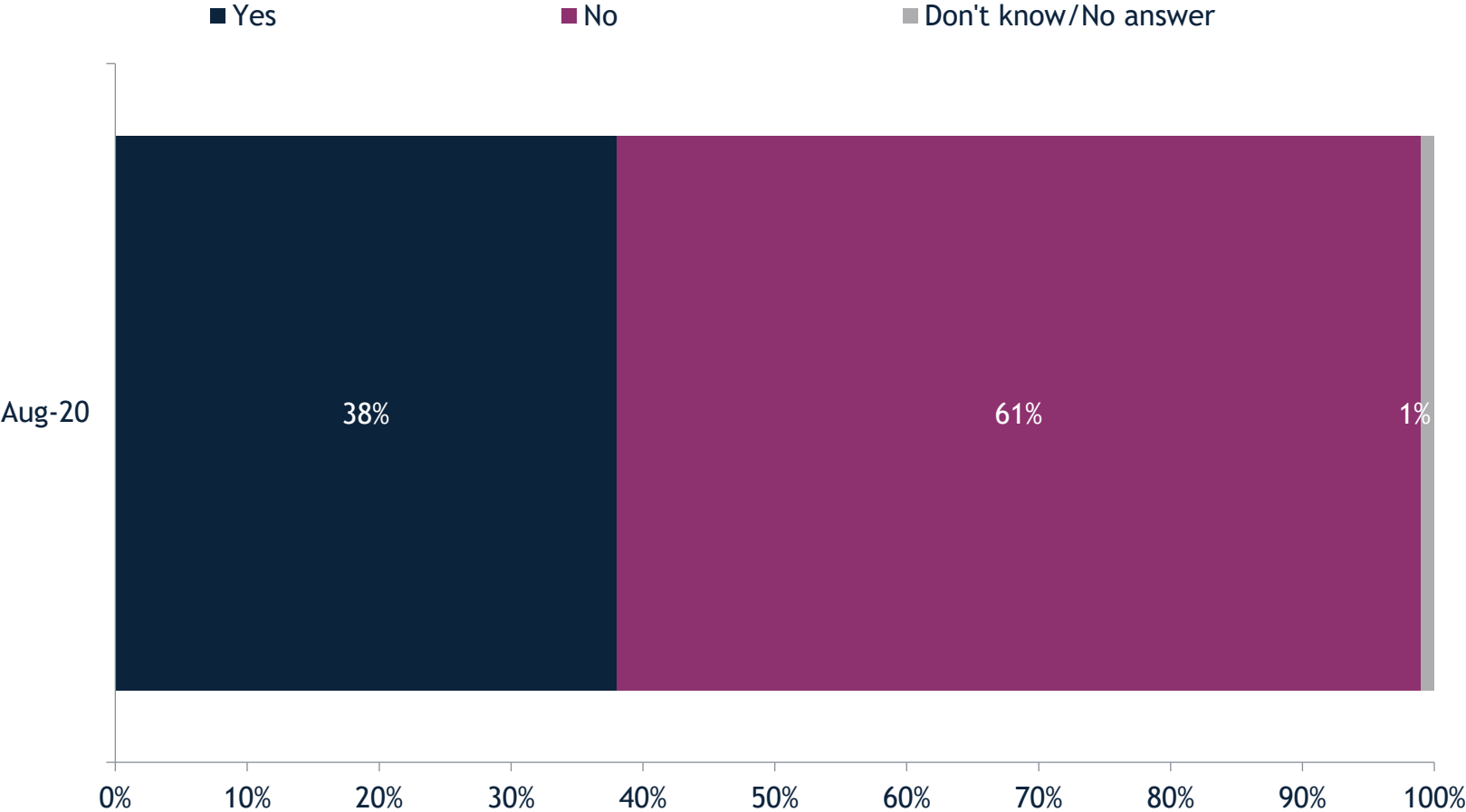


Which Georgian TV station's news and political information do you trust the most?

(Respondents permitted to supply two spontaneous answers)

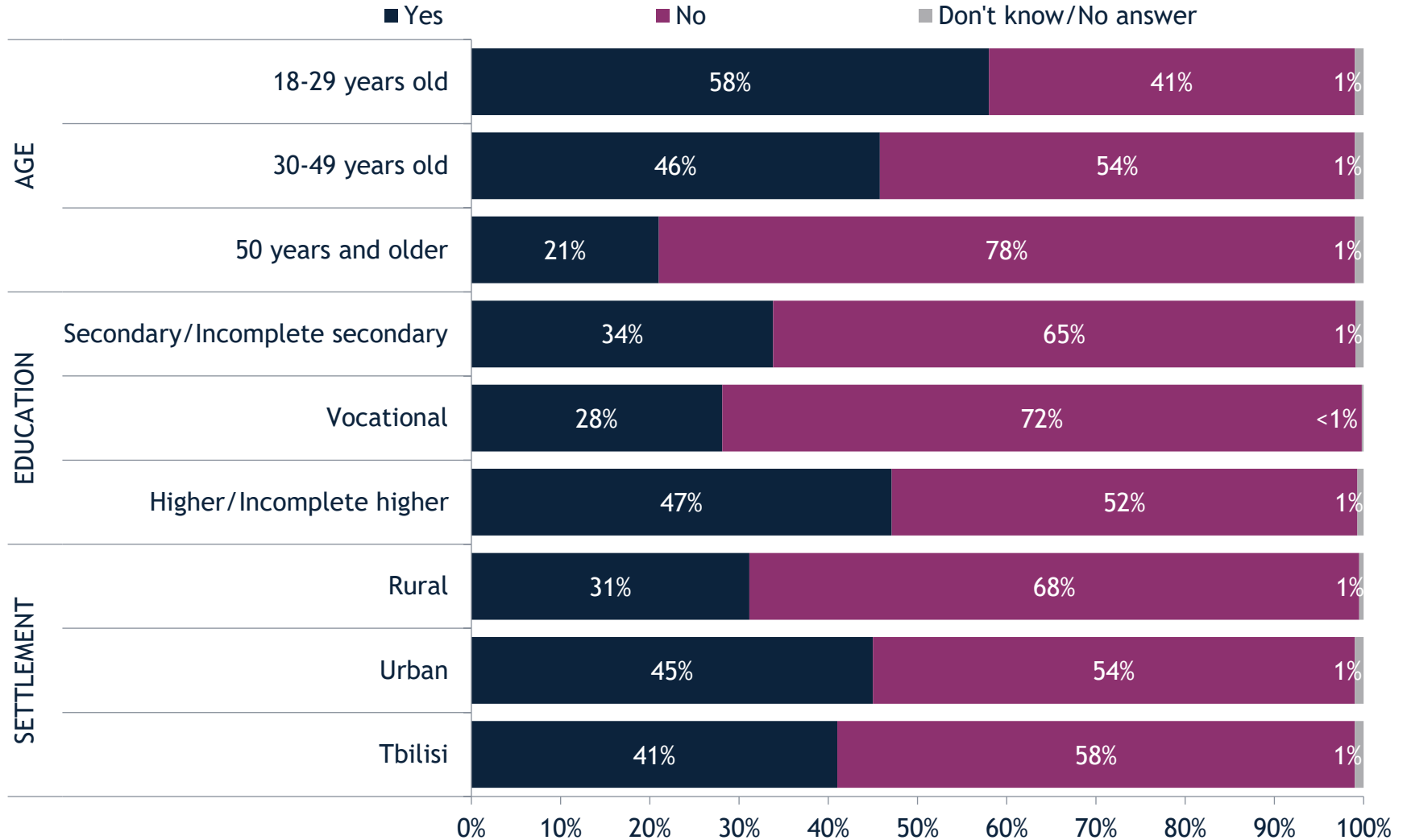


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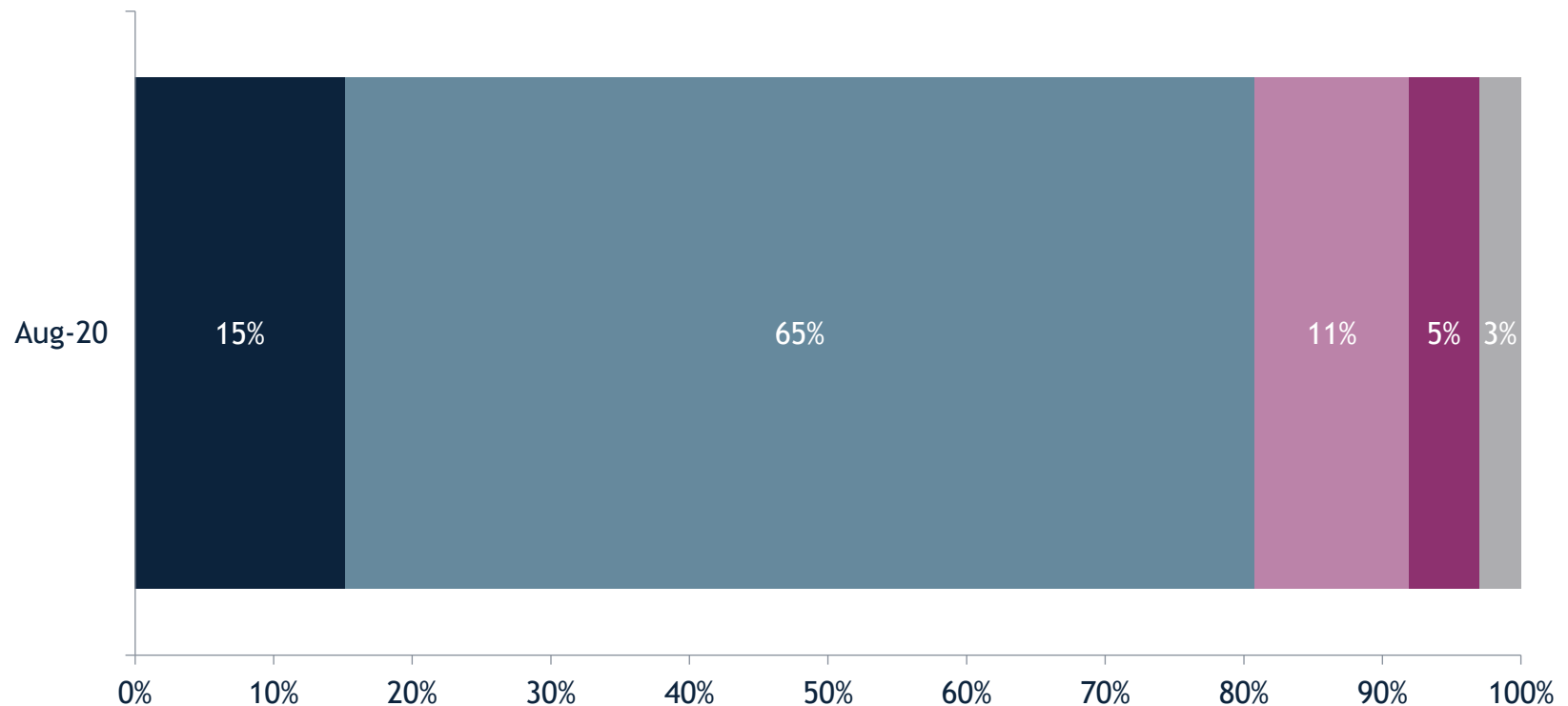
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(Respondents using any form of social media to obtain information on political parties or candidates, n=570)

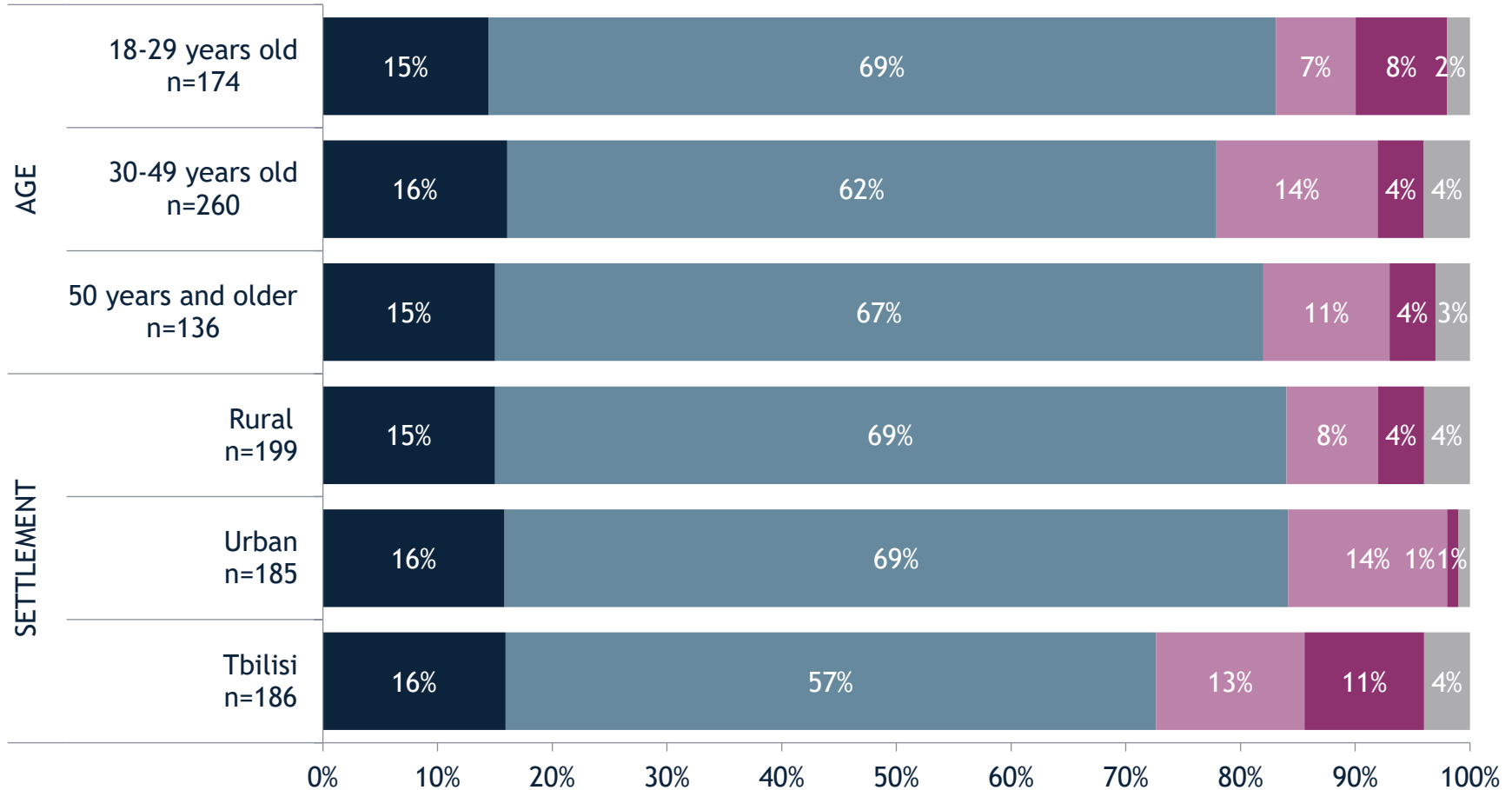
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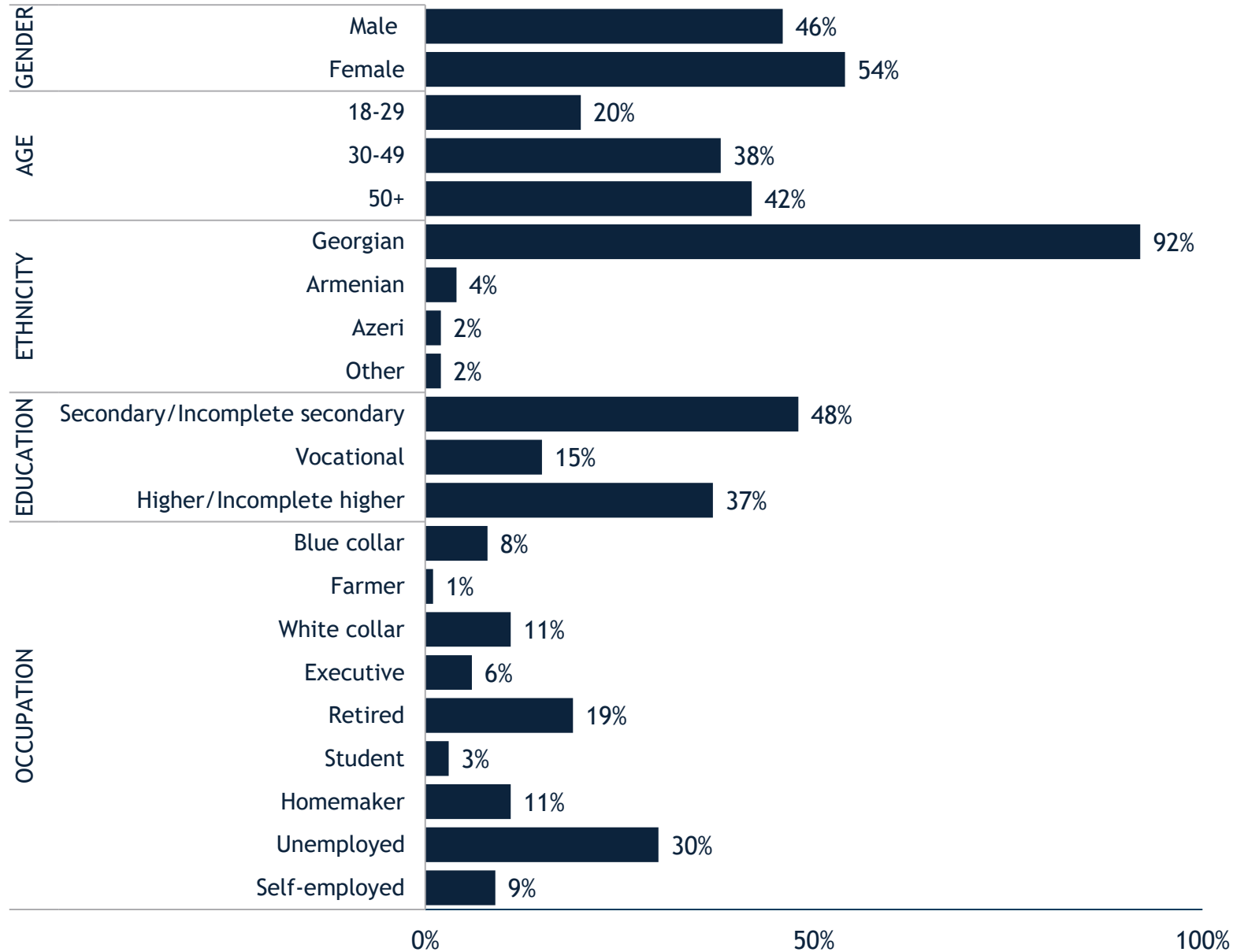




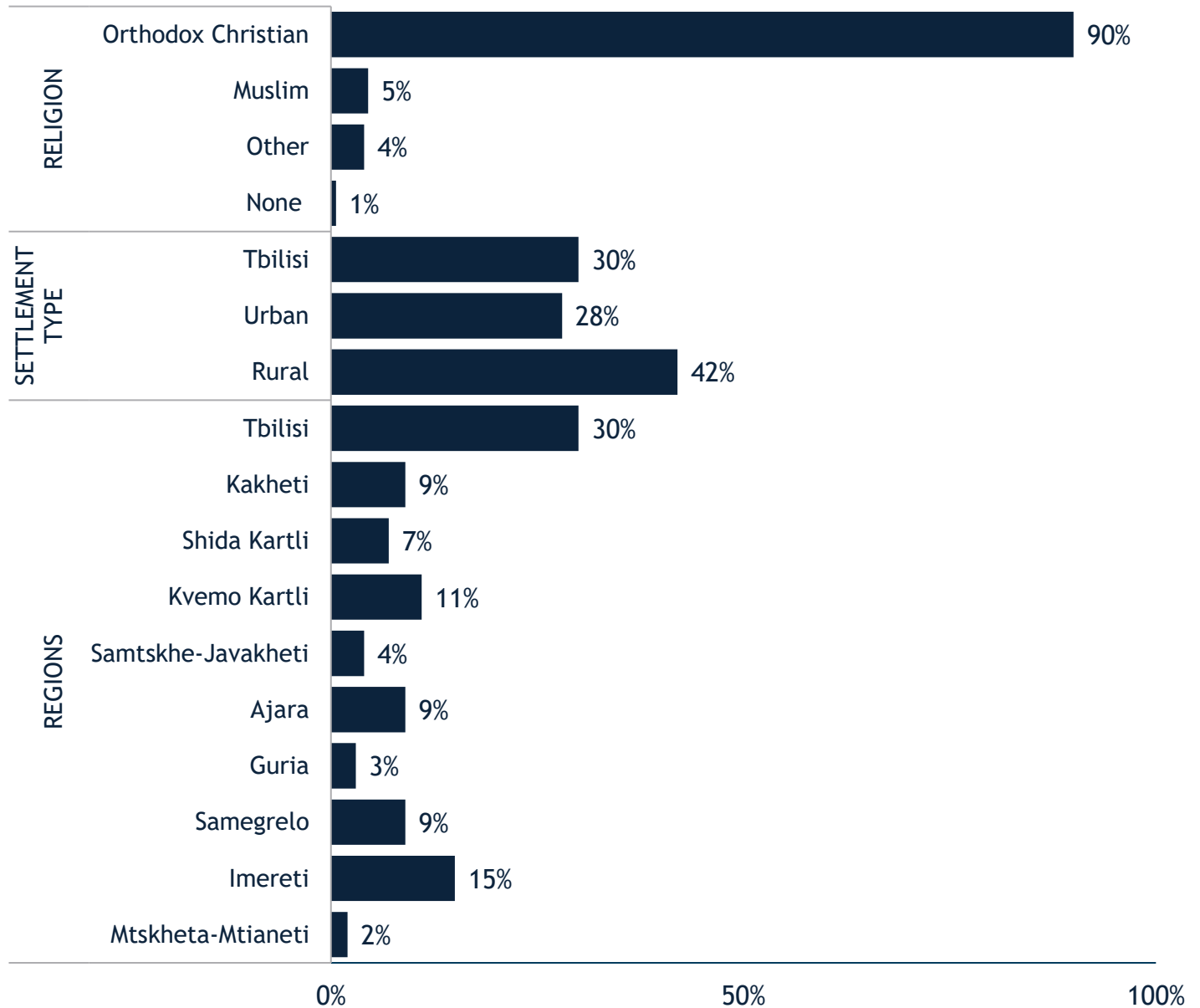
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