

# Public Opinion Survey Residents of Ukraine August 27-September 9, 2013



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# Methodology

The survey was conducted by the public opinion and market research company Baltic Surveys/The Gallup Organization on behalf of the International Republican Institute. The field work was carried out by Rating Group Ukraine.

The main sample consisted of 1,200 permanent residents of Ukraine aged 18 and older and eligible to vote. It is representative of the general population by age, gender, education and religion.

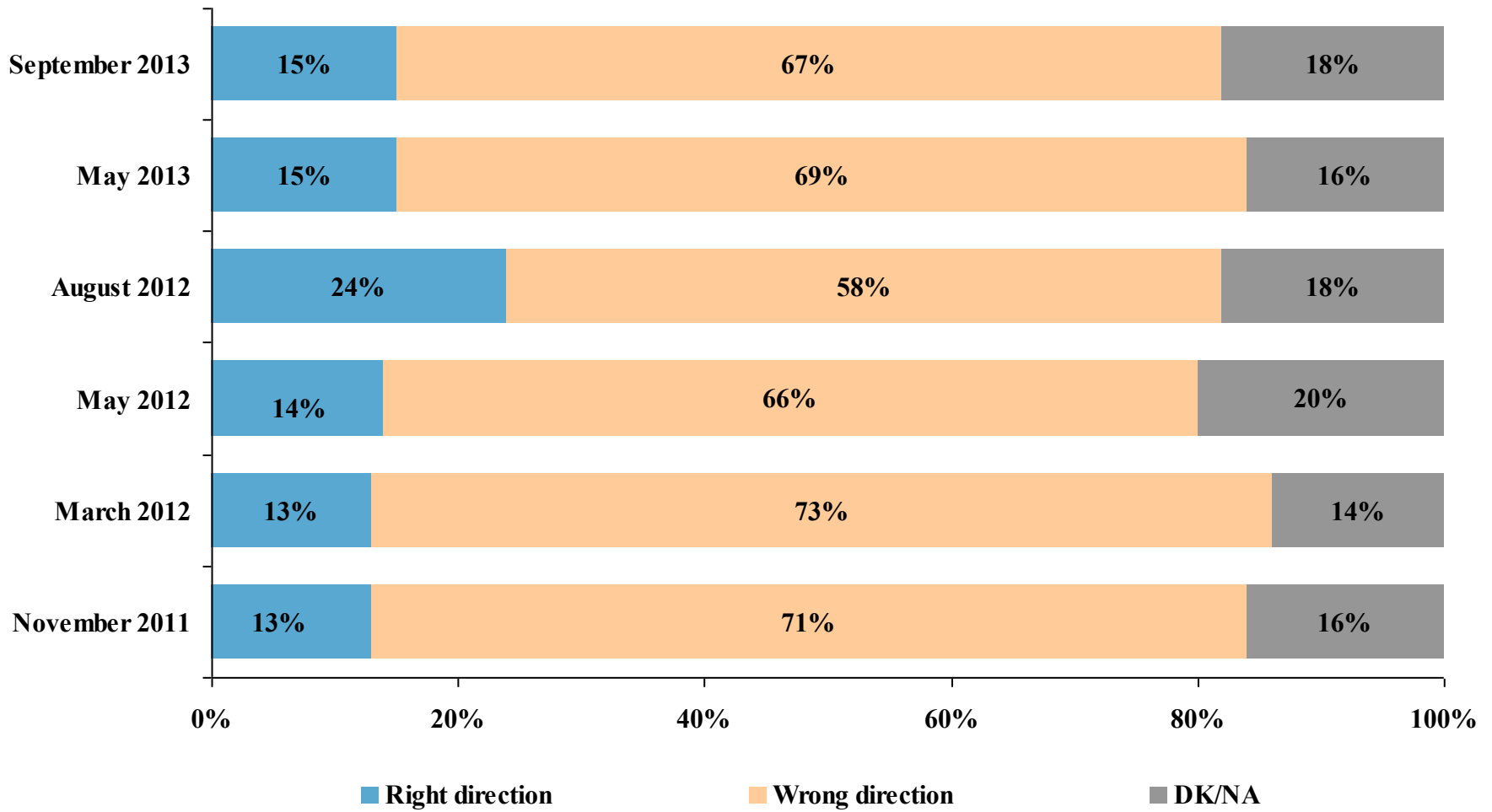
Data were collected on August 27 – September 9, 2013 through face-to-face interviews with the respondents. The margin of error does not exceed plus or minus 2.8 percent. The response rate was 64 percent.

The sample design was a multi-stage random sample. The closest birthday rule was used for selection of the respondent. The households were selected using the random route method.

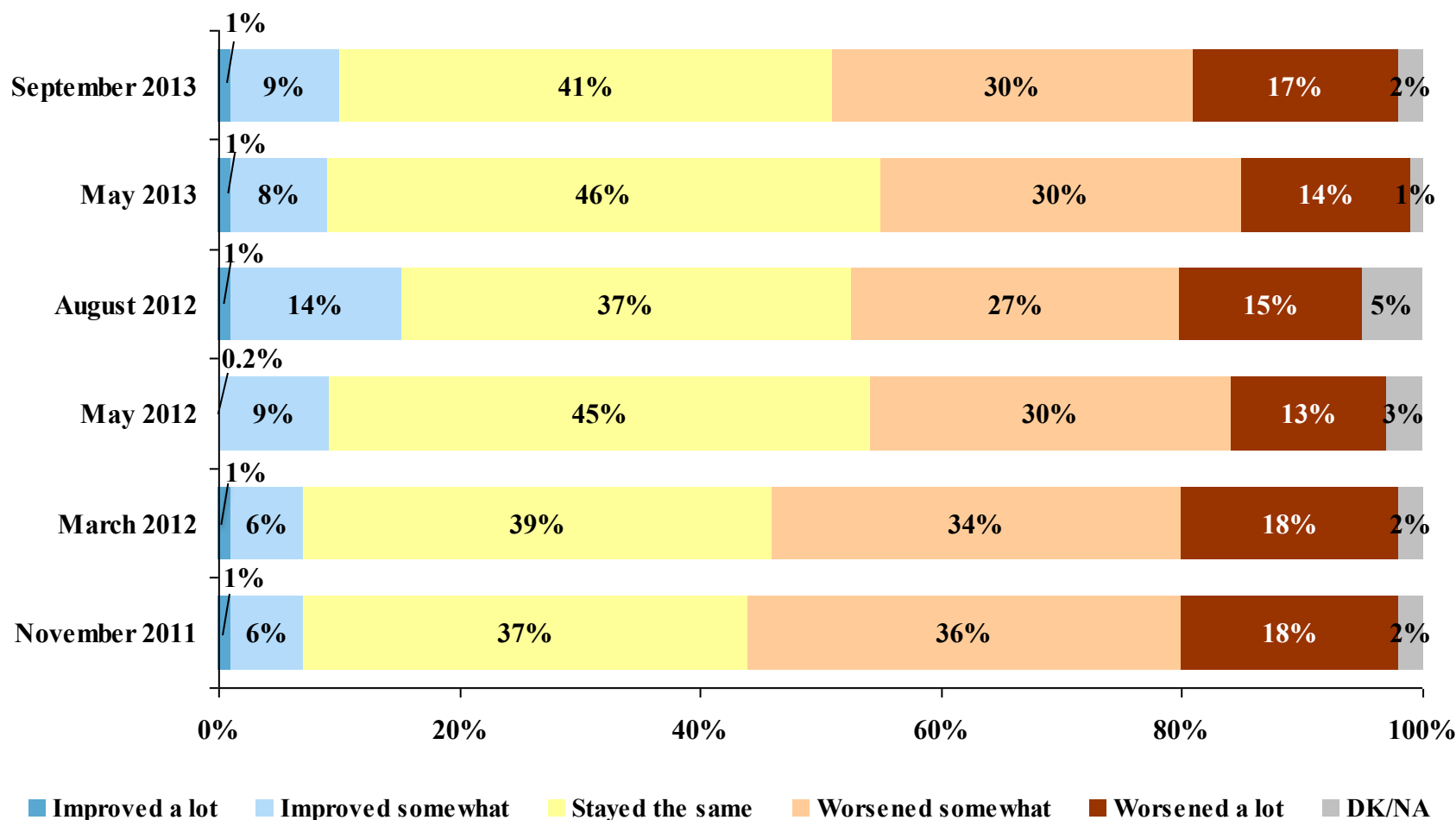
- Stage one: Ukraine is divided into 27 official administrative regions (25 regions of Ukraine, Kiev and Sevastopol). All regions of Ukraine were surveyed.
- Stage two: selection of the settlements - towns and villages. Settlements were selected at random. The number of selected settlements in each region was proportional to the share of population living in a particular type of the settlement in each region. Towns were grouped into subtypes according to the size:
  - City more than one million residents
  - City 500,000-999,000
  - City 100,000-499,000
  - City 50,000-99,000
  - City to 50,000
  - Village
- Stage three: primary sampling units were described.

# MOOD OF UKRAINE

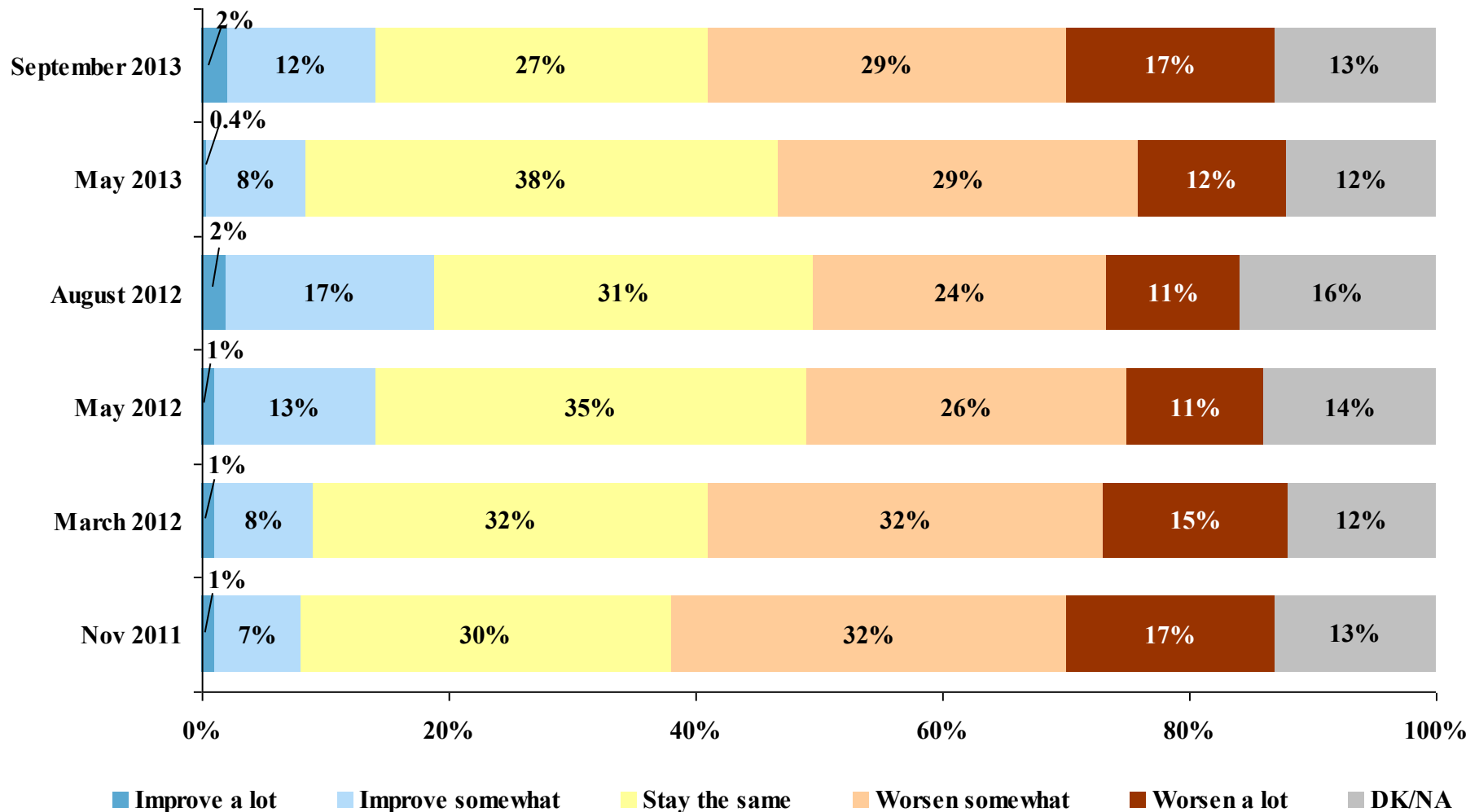
## Generally speaking, do you think that things in Ukraine are going in the right direction or wrong direction?



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

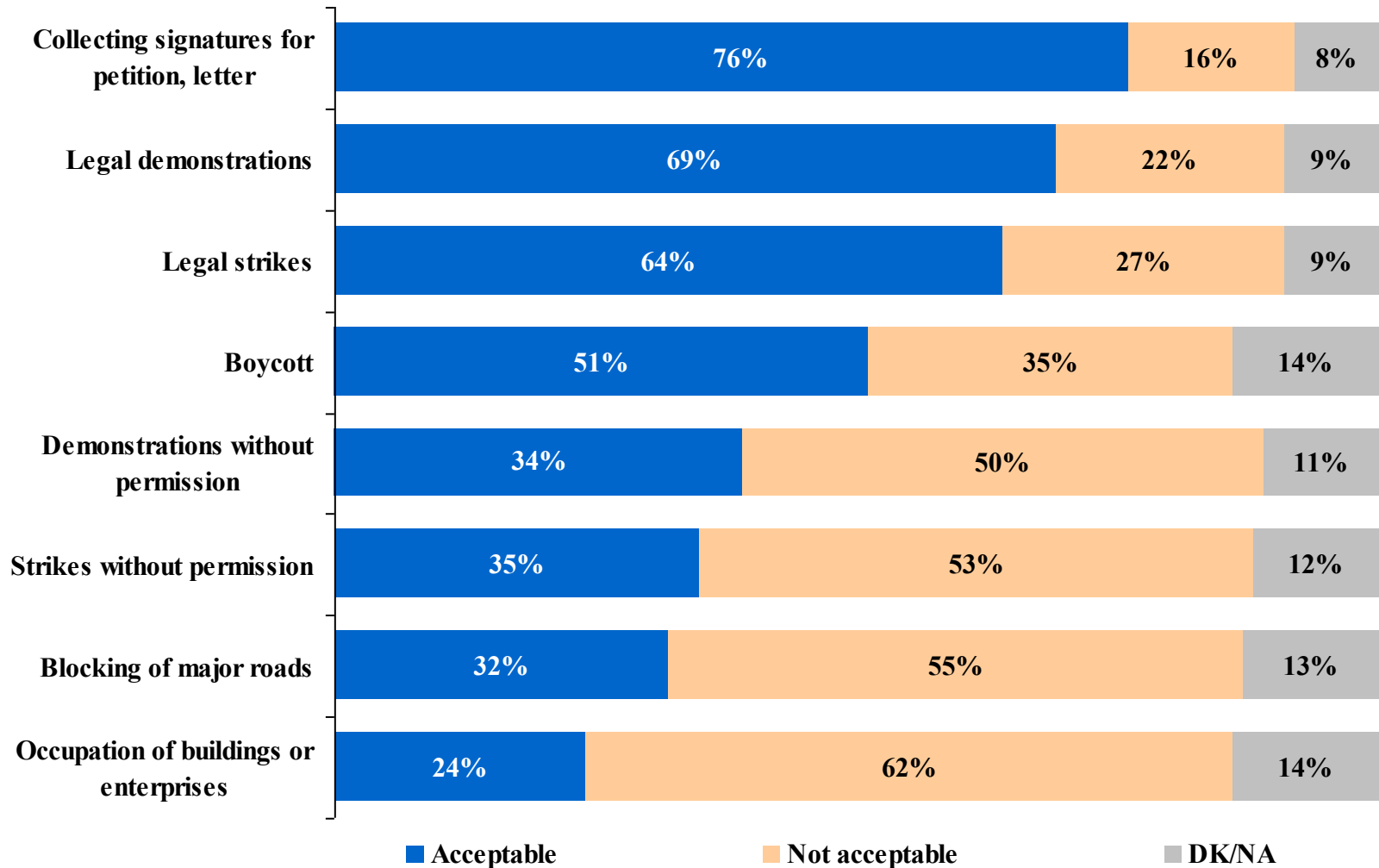


## In the next 12 months, how do you expect the economic situation in Ukraine to change?



# ISSUES

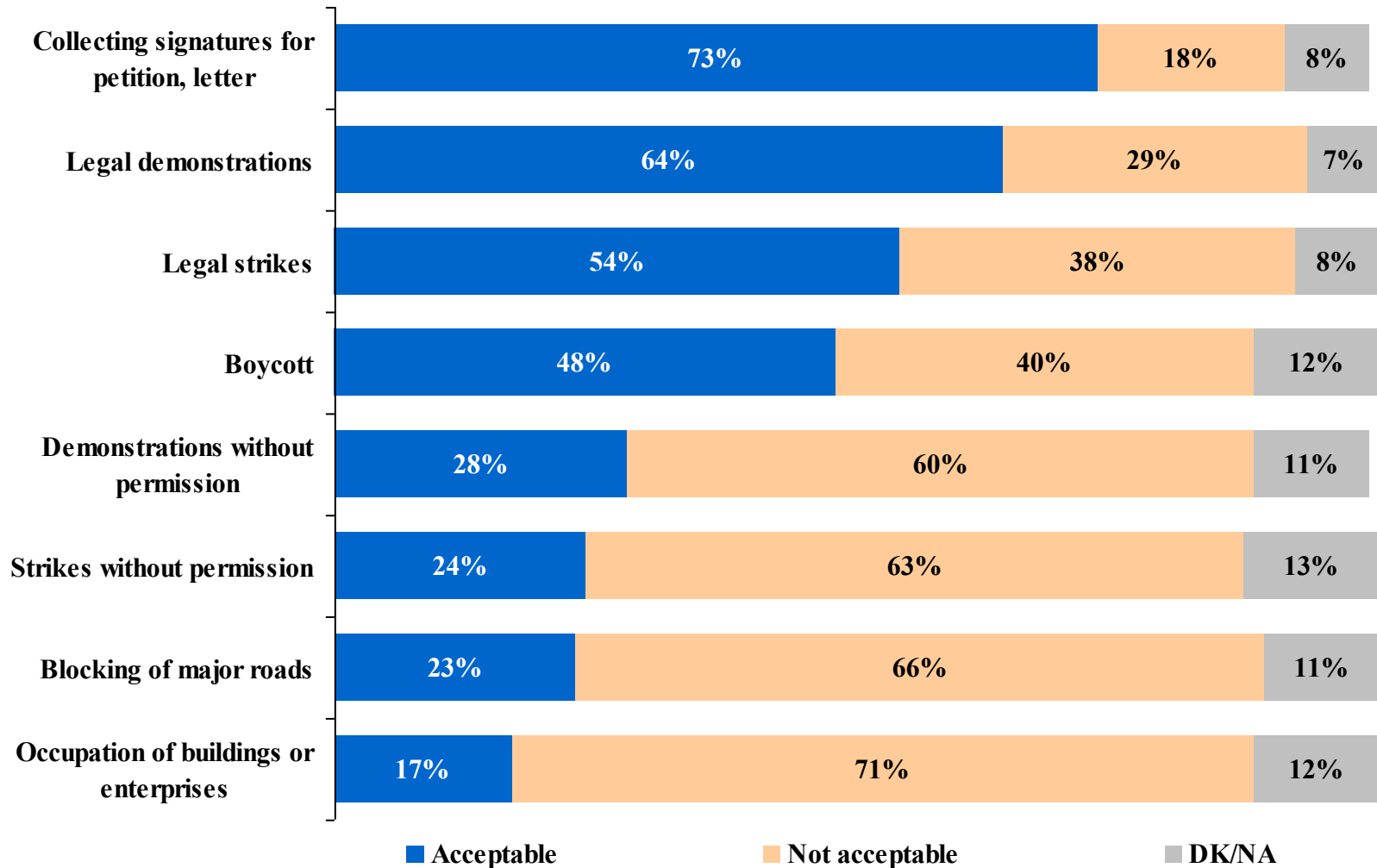
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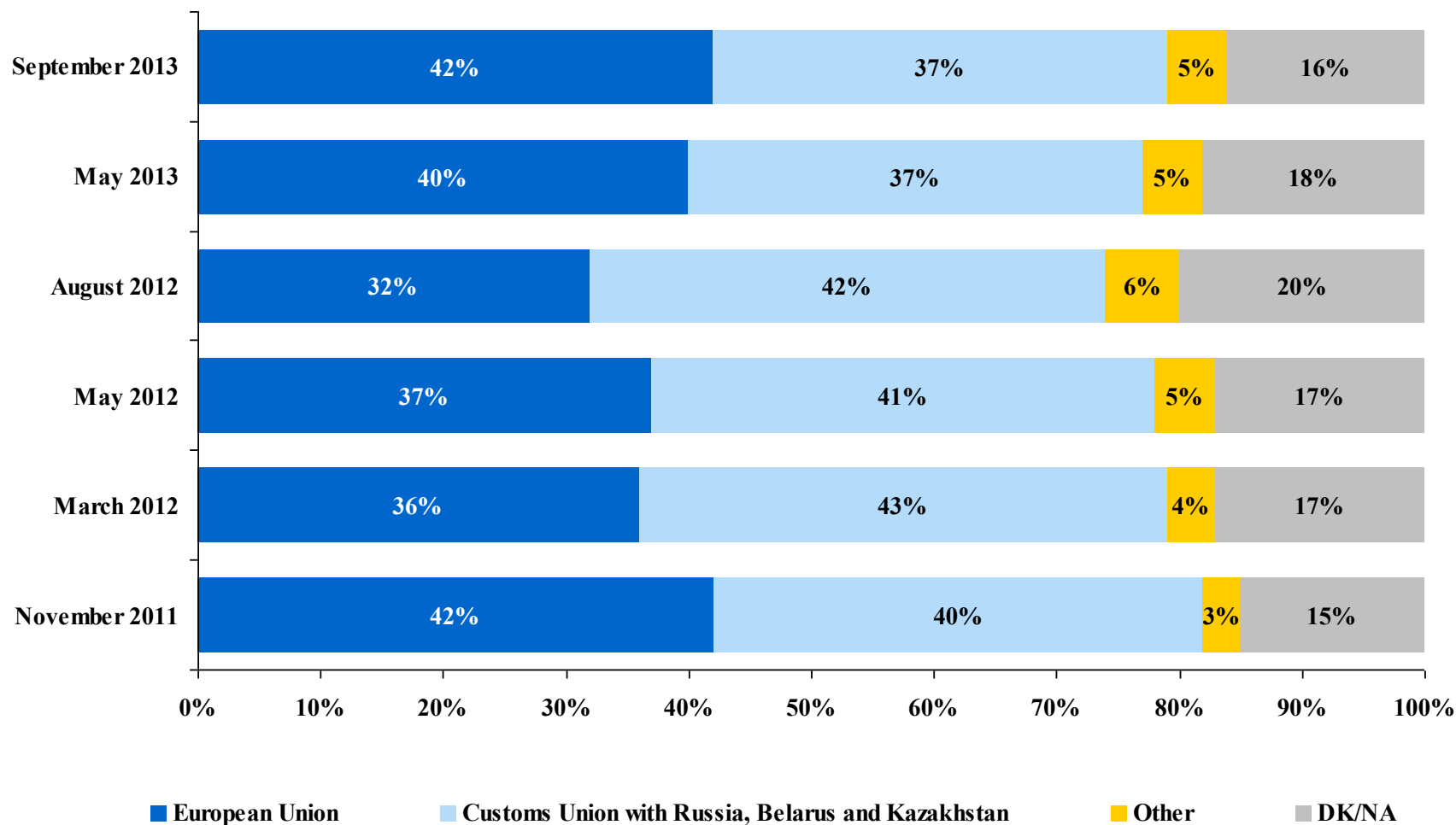


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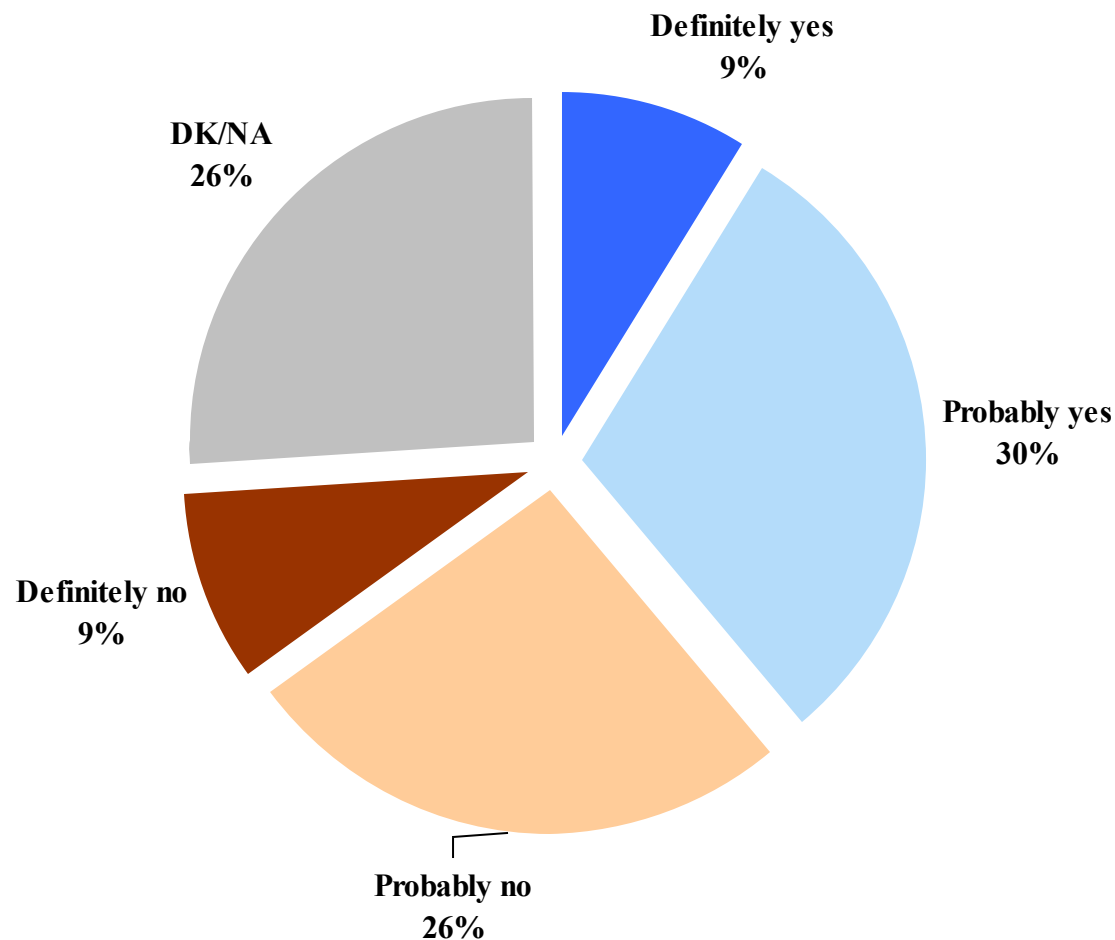
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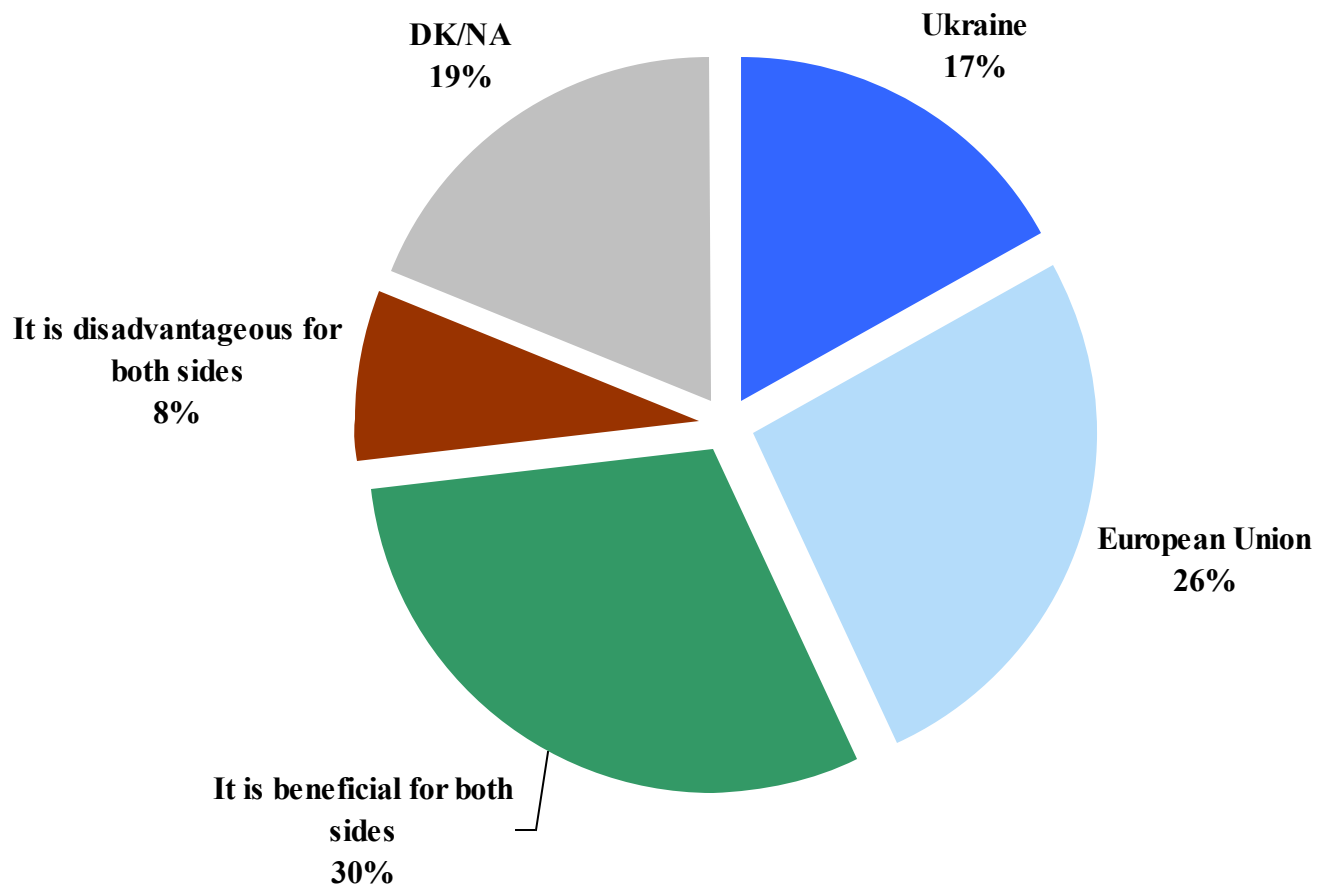
## If Ukraine was able to enter only one international economic union, with whom should it be?



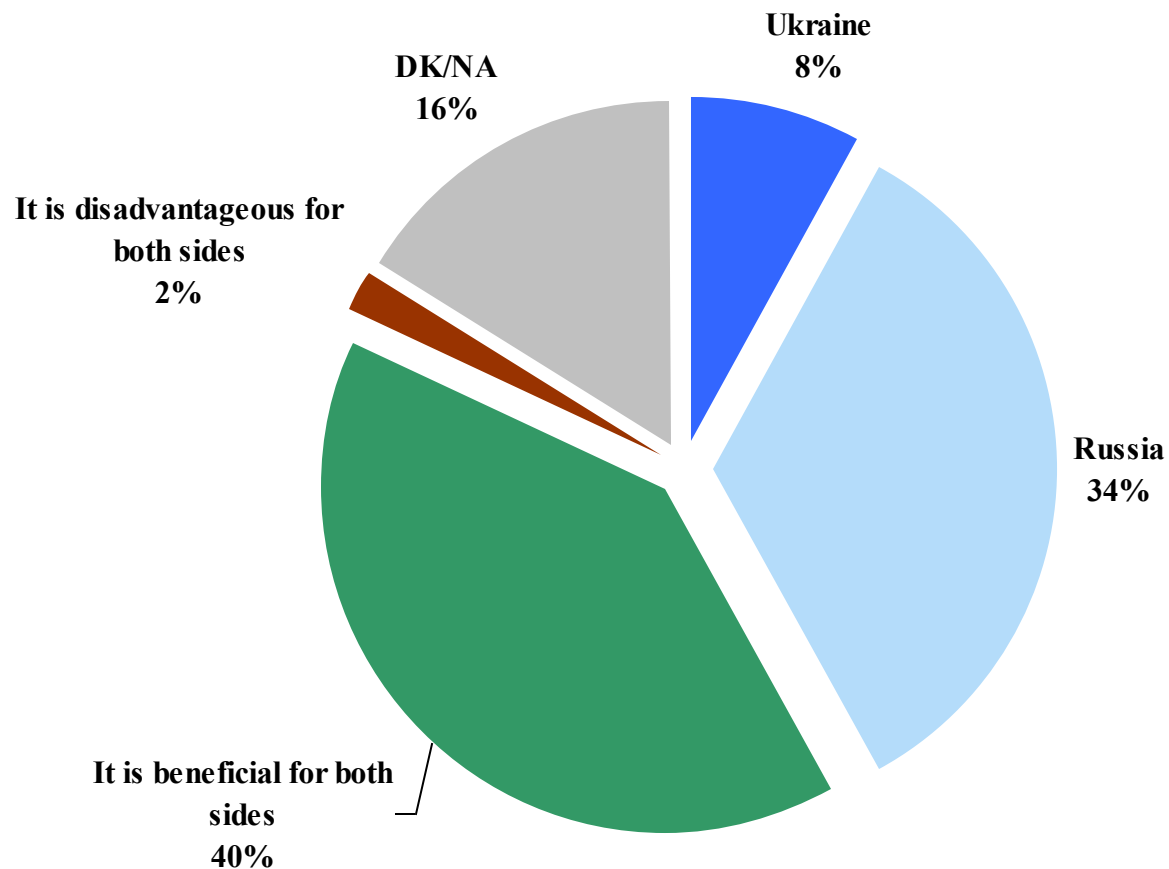
## What is your expectation, will Ukraine and the European Union sign the Association Agreement in November 2013?



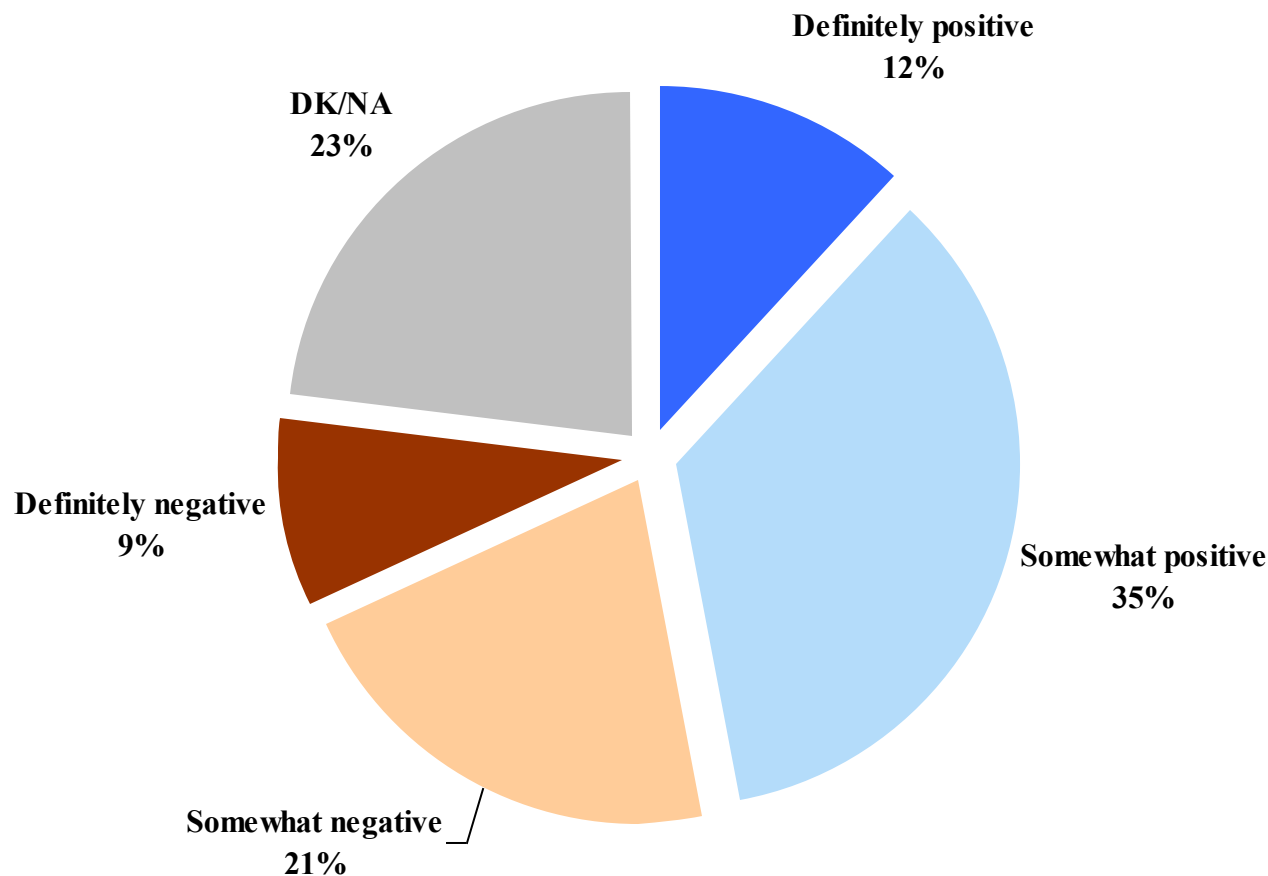
## Which side will benefit more from the possible integration of Ukraine to the European Union?



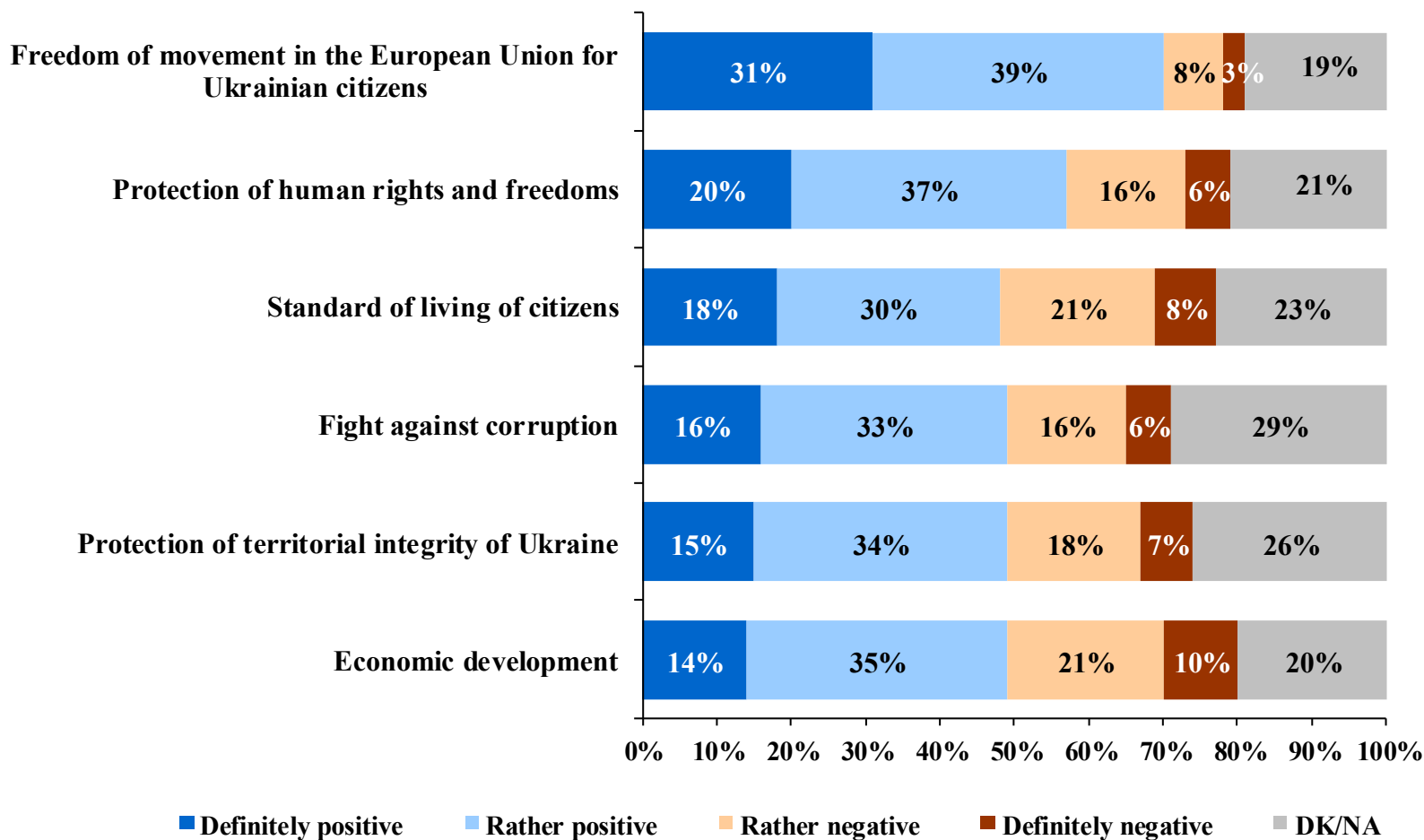
## Which side will benefit more from the possible integration of Ukraine to the Customs Union with Russia?



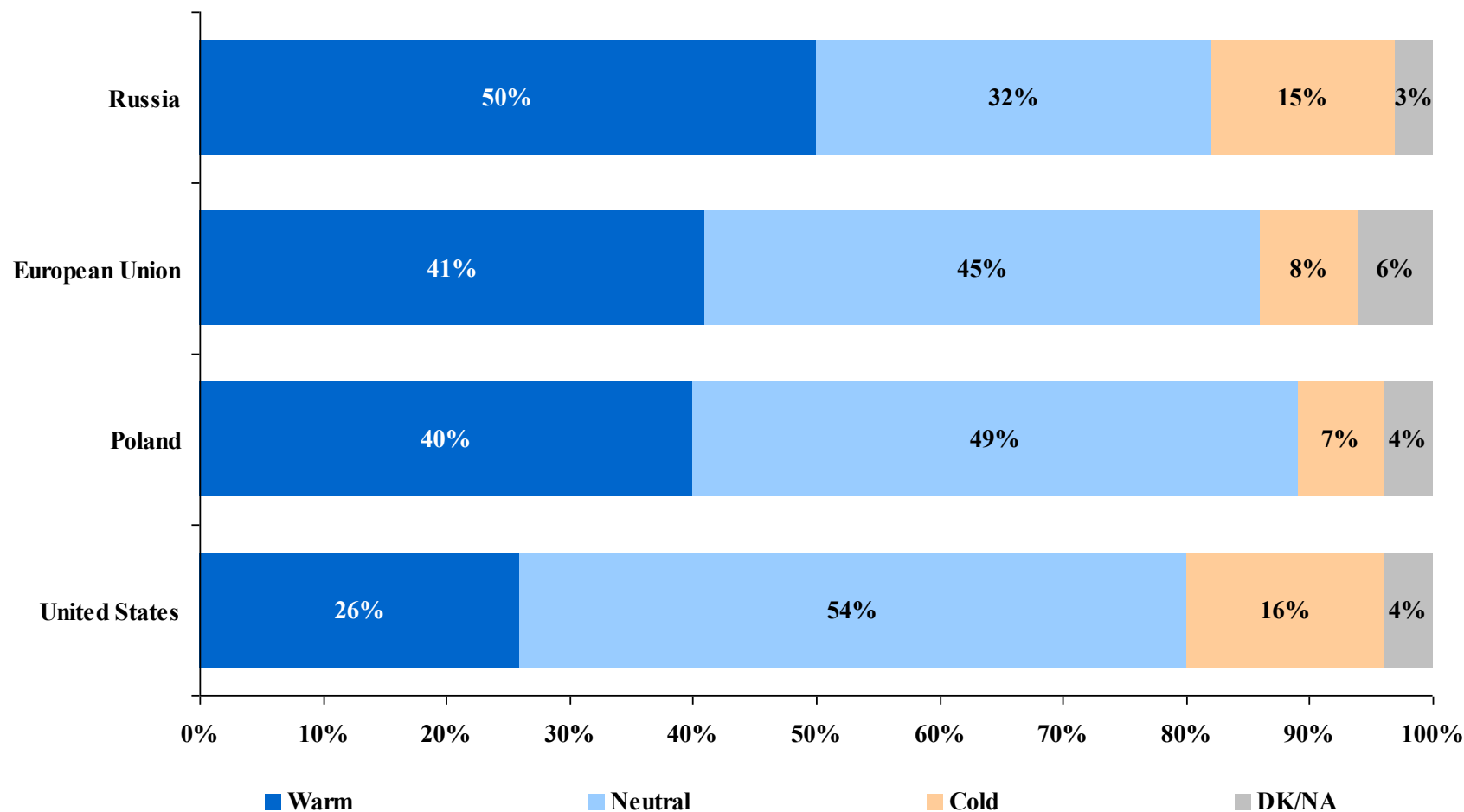
**If signed in November 2013, do you think the Association Agreement with the European Union will have positive or negative consequences for Ukraine?**



## What possible consequences will the signing of the Association Agreement between Ukraine and the European Union have for Ukraine in these particular areas?

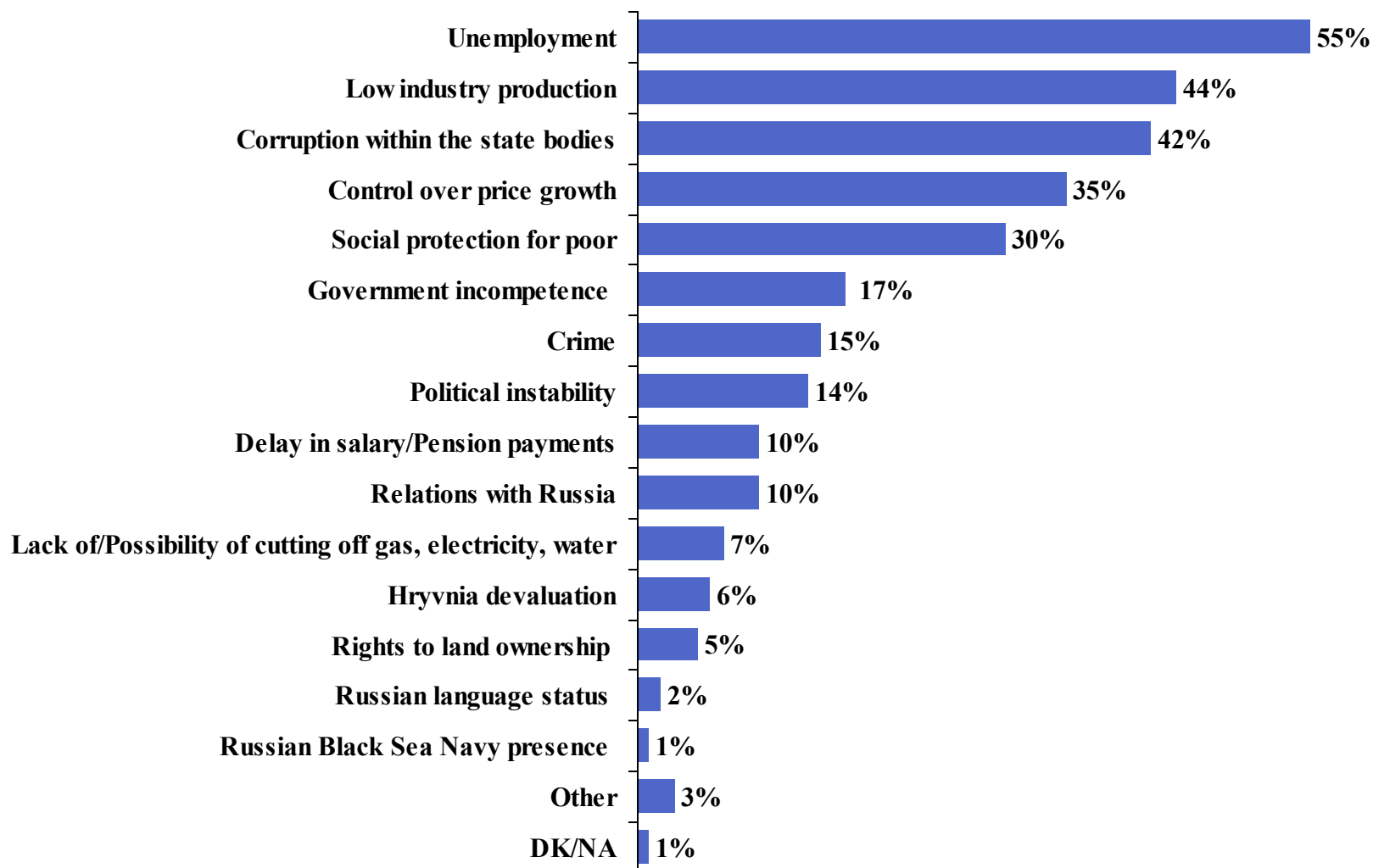


## How would you evaluate your attitude towards the following entities?





## Which of the following issues are the most important for Ukraine? (Three mentioned issues)



# Which of the following issues are the most important for Ukraine?

(Three mentioned issues, by gender and age)

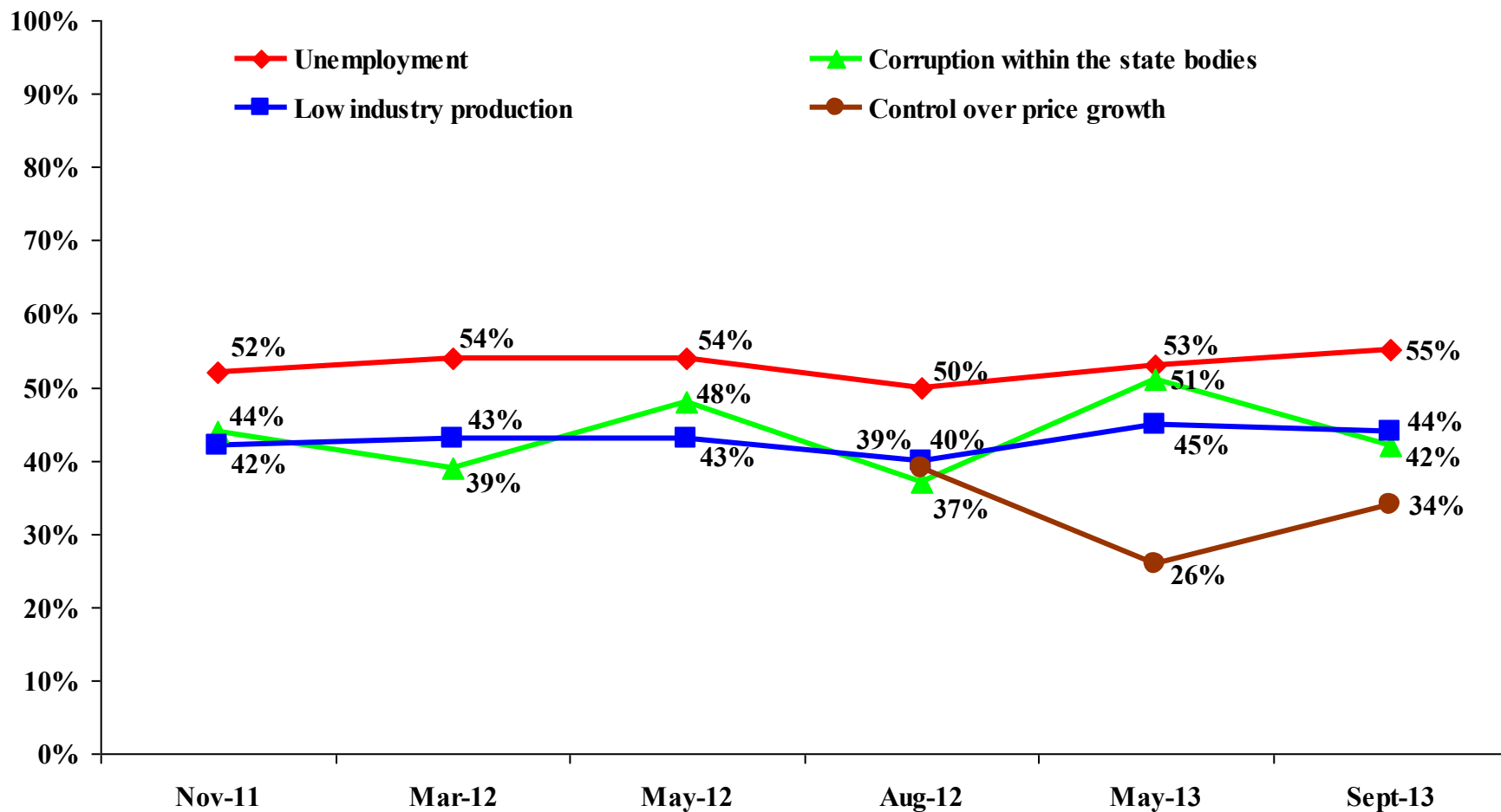
	Male	Female	18-29 years	30-49 years	50 years and older
Unemployment	54%	56%	62%	61%	47%
Low industry production	48%	41%	43%	49%	40%
Corruption within the state bodies	47%	37%	44%	42%	40%
Control over price growth	29%	39%	34%	31%	39%
Social protection for poor	24%	35%	21%	24%	40%
Government incompetence	18%	16%	19%	20%	13%
Crime	17%	13%	19%	13%	14%
Political instability	16%	13%	16%	15%	12%
Delay in salary/Pension payments	10%	11%	10%	9%	12%
Relations with Russia	11%	9%	9%	10%	10%
Lack of/Possibility of cutting off gas, electricity, water	5%	8%	7%	5%	7%
Hryvnia devaluation	6%	6%	4%	8%	5%
Rights to land ownership	6%	5%	4%	5%	6%
Russian language status	1%	3%	2%	2%	2%
Russian Black Sea Navy presence	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%
Other	2%	4%	2%	2%	4%
DK/NA	1%	1%	0%	0%	2%

# Which of the following issues are the most important for Ukraine?

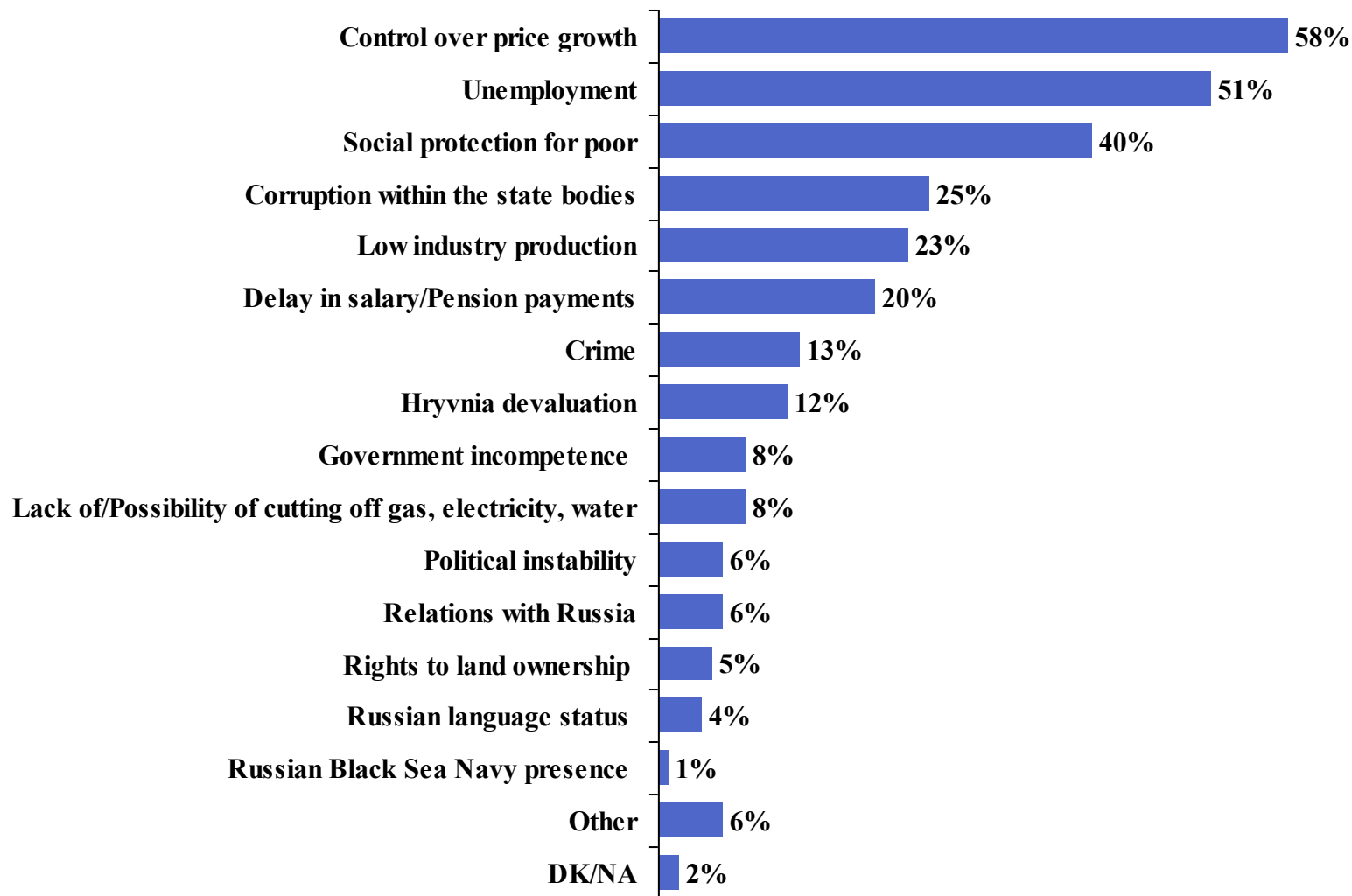
(Three mentioned issues, by region)

	West	Center	South	East
Unemployment	71%	47%	65%	45%
Low industry production	37%	47%	57%	37%
Corruption within the state bodies	52%	43%	32%	39%
Control over price growth	35%	29%	34%	41%
Social protection for poor	28%	30%	40%	26%
Government incompetence	19%	17%	20%	12%
Crime	11%	23%	11%	11%
Political instability	12%	17%	7%	17%
Delay in salary/Pension payments	9%	10%	9%	14%
Relations with Russia	4%	8%	10%	15%
Lack of/Possibility of cutting off gas, electricity, water	3%	10%	1%	9%
Hryvnia devaluation	6%	6%	3%	8%
Rights to land ownership	4%	6%	3%	8%
Russian language status	1%	1%	3%	5%
Russian Black Sea Navy presence	0%	1%	1%	3%
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## What are the most important problems facing Ukraine? (Top four issues identified)



## Which of the following issues are the most important for you personally? (Three mentioned issues)



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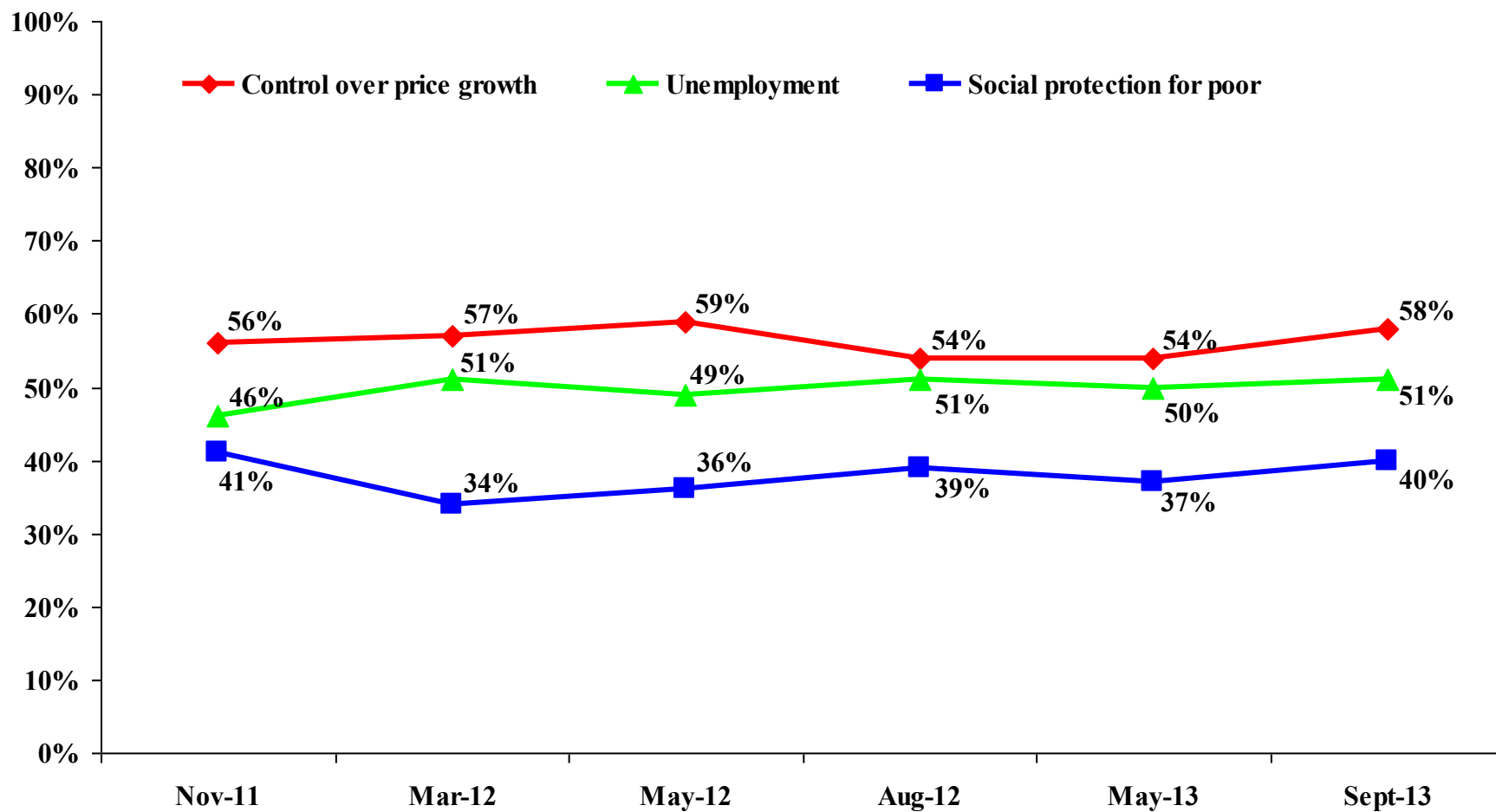
(Three mentioned issues, by gender and age)

	Male	Female	18-29 years	30-49 years	50 years and older
Control over price growth	52%	64%	52%	57%	63%
Unemployment	51%	51%	65%	62%	34%
Social protection for poor	35%	45%	28%	31%	55%
Corruption within the state bodies	29%	22%	30%	26%	22%
Low industry production	26%	21%	25%	29%	18%
Delay in salary/Pension payments	21%	19%	18%	17%	22%
Crime	14%	12%	14%	14%	12%
Hryvnia devaluation	12%	11%	15%	13%	9%
Government incompetence	10%	6%	8%	7%	9%
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Political instability	6%	5%	6%	6%	5%
Relations with Russia	8%	5%	4%	4%	10%
Rights to land ownership	6%	5%	3%	6%	5%
Russian language status	3%	5%	4%	4%	4%
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Other	4%	7%	5%	5%	6%
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# Which of the following issues are the most important for you personally? (Three mentioned issues, by region)

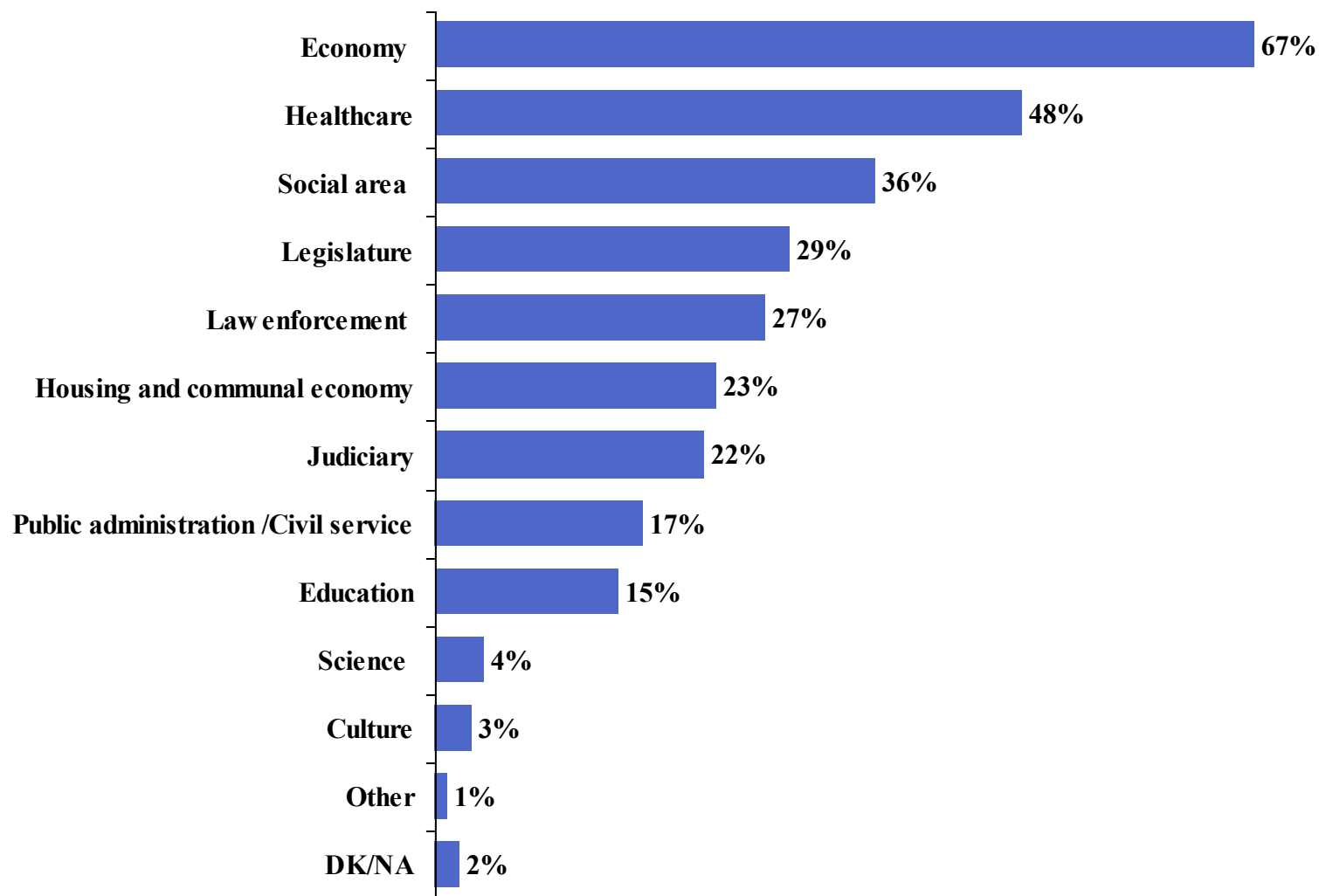
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## What are the most important problems facing residents of Ukraine? (Top three issues identified)

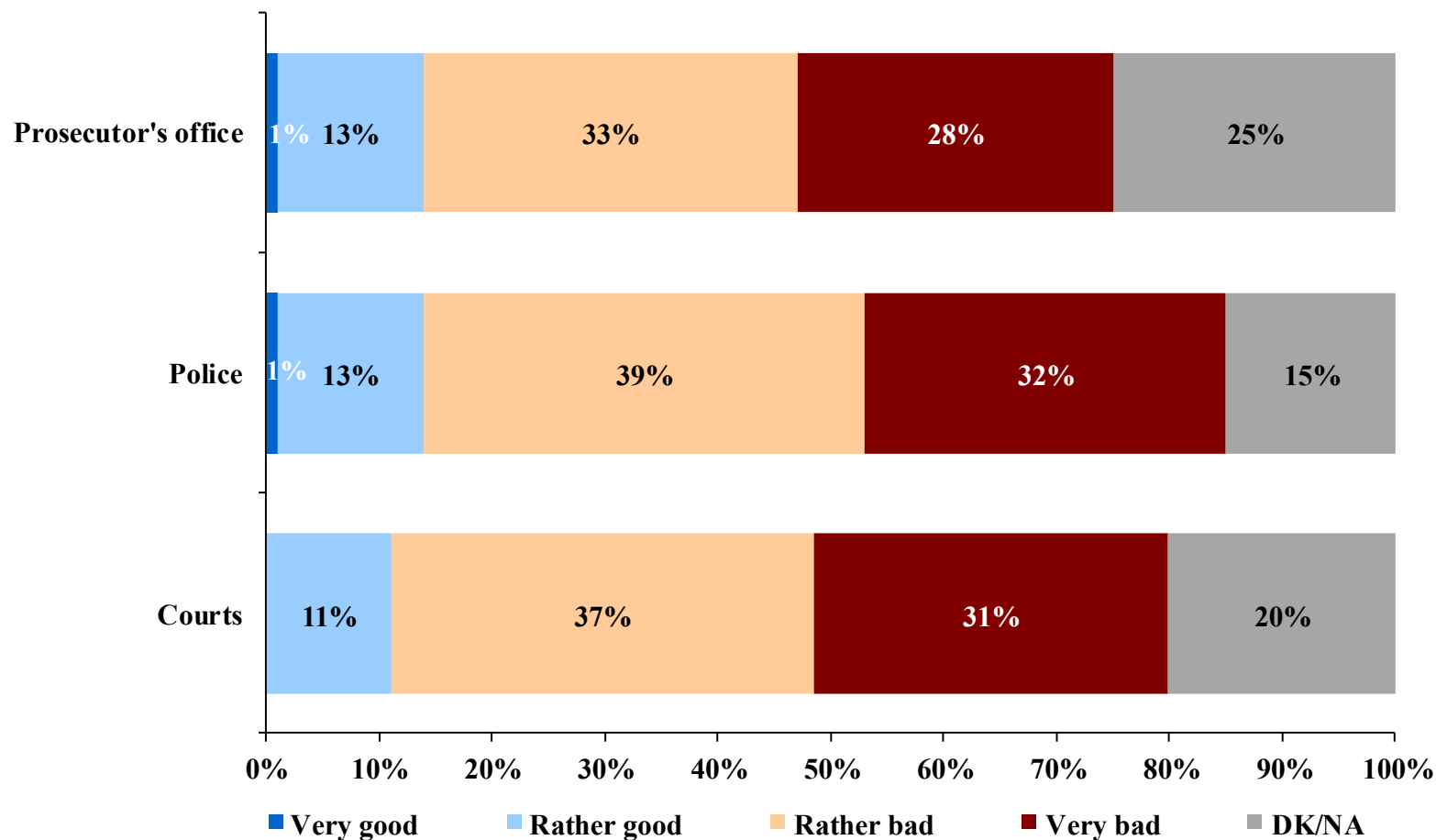




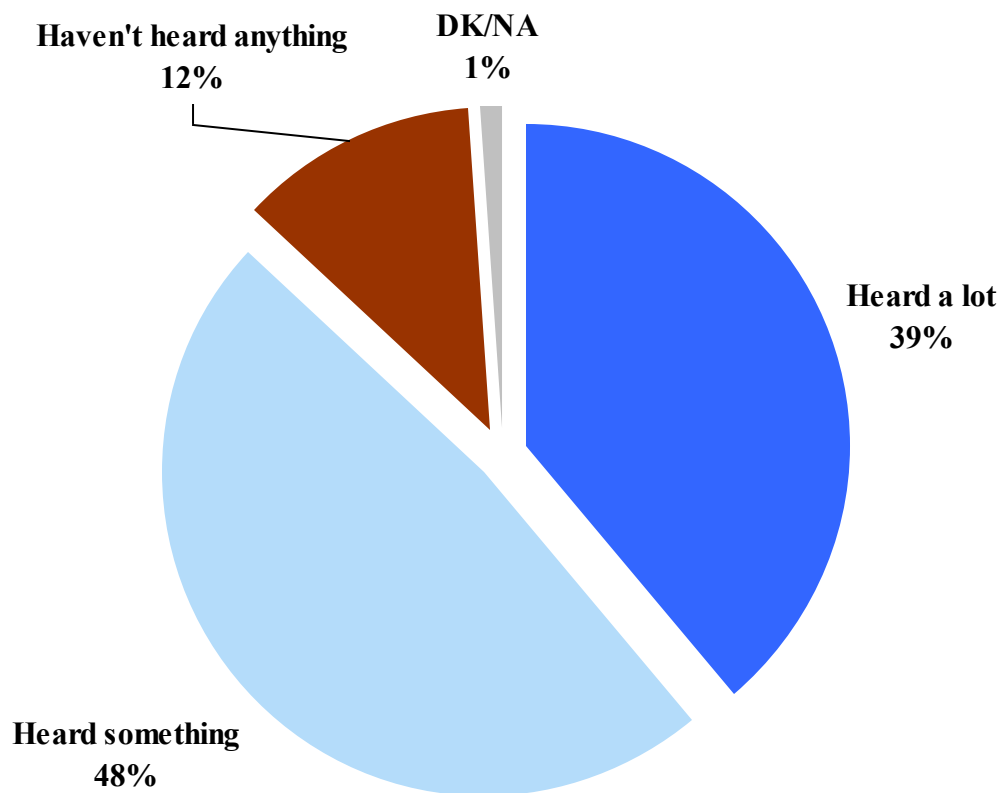
## In your opinion, in which areas are reforms most needed in Ukraine? (Three mentioned areas)



## How do you evaluate the work of the following institutions in Ukraine?



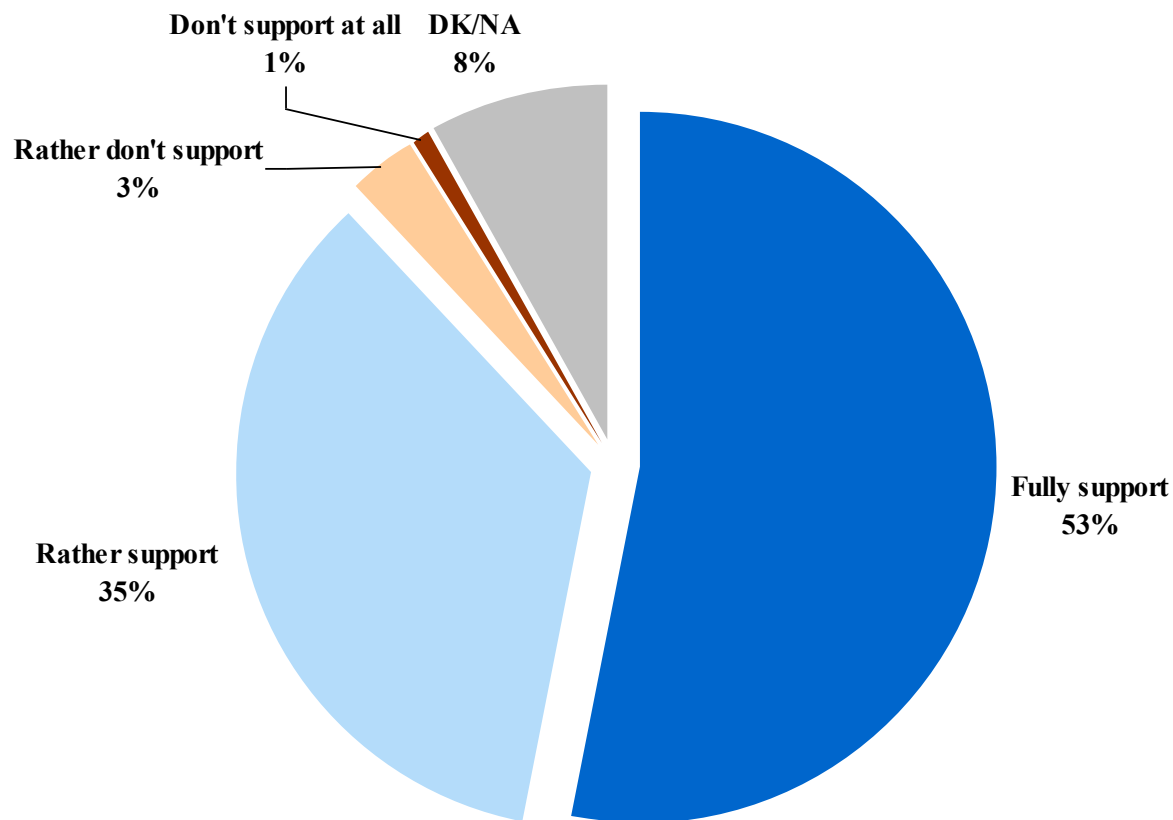
## Have you heard about the citizen protests against police abuse in Vradiyivka, Mykolayiv oblast?\*



\* A group of residents held protests in Vradiyivka in response to allegations of police involvement in the assault and rape of a local woman.

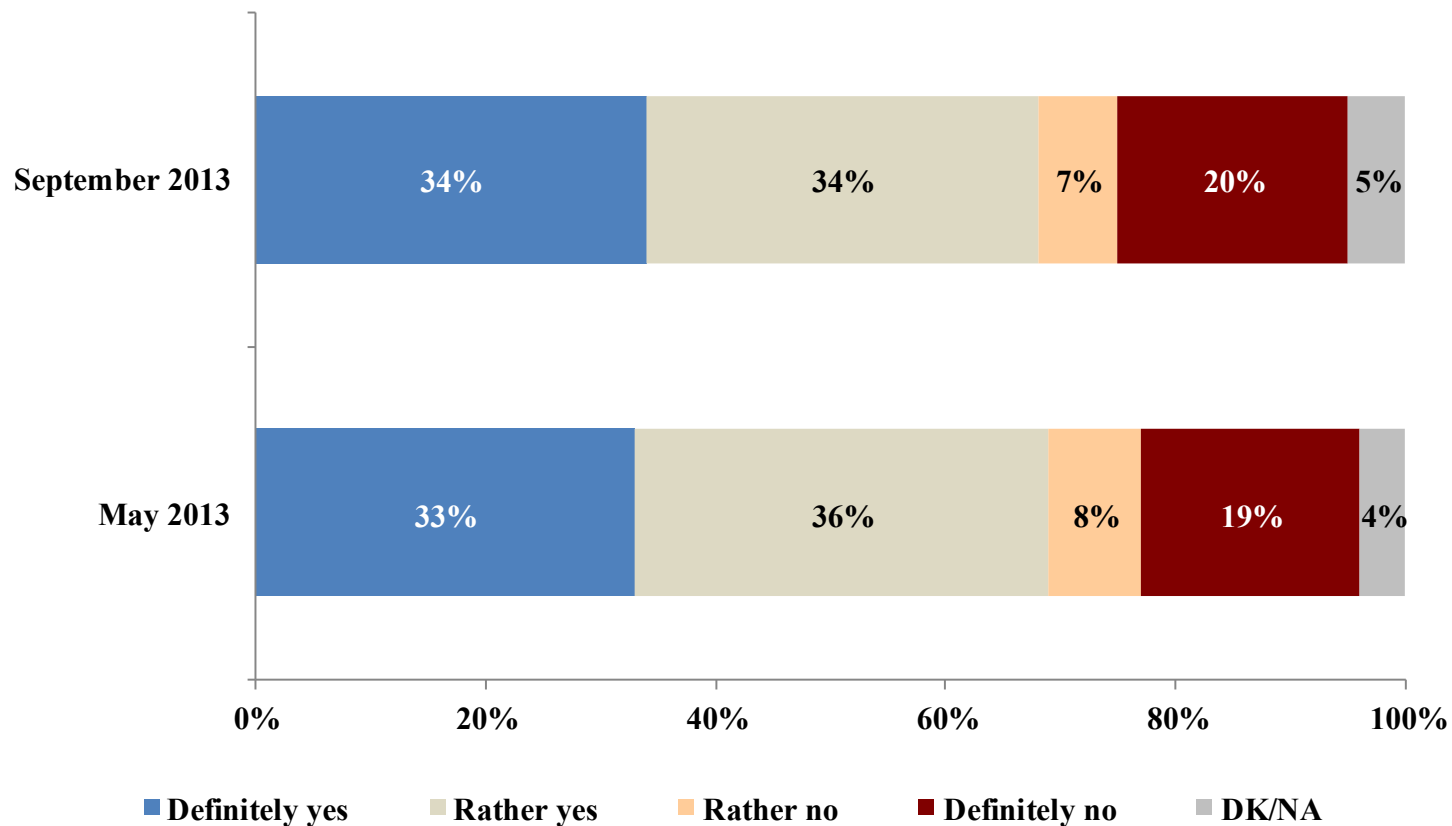
## Do you support the people who organized the protests against police in Vradiyivka?

*(Respondents who heard about action protest at least something, n=1043)*

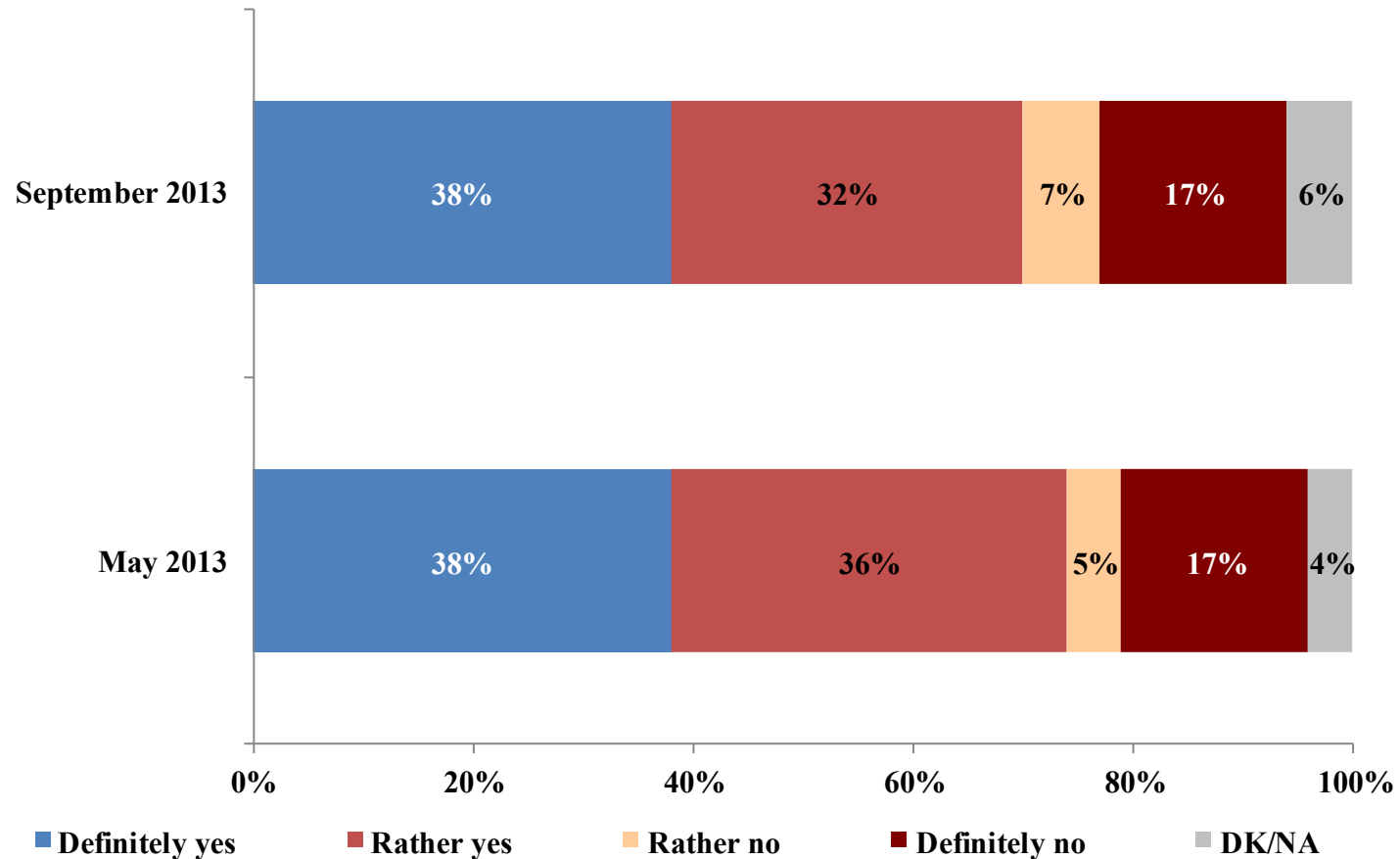


# POLITICS

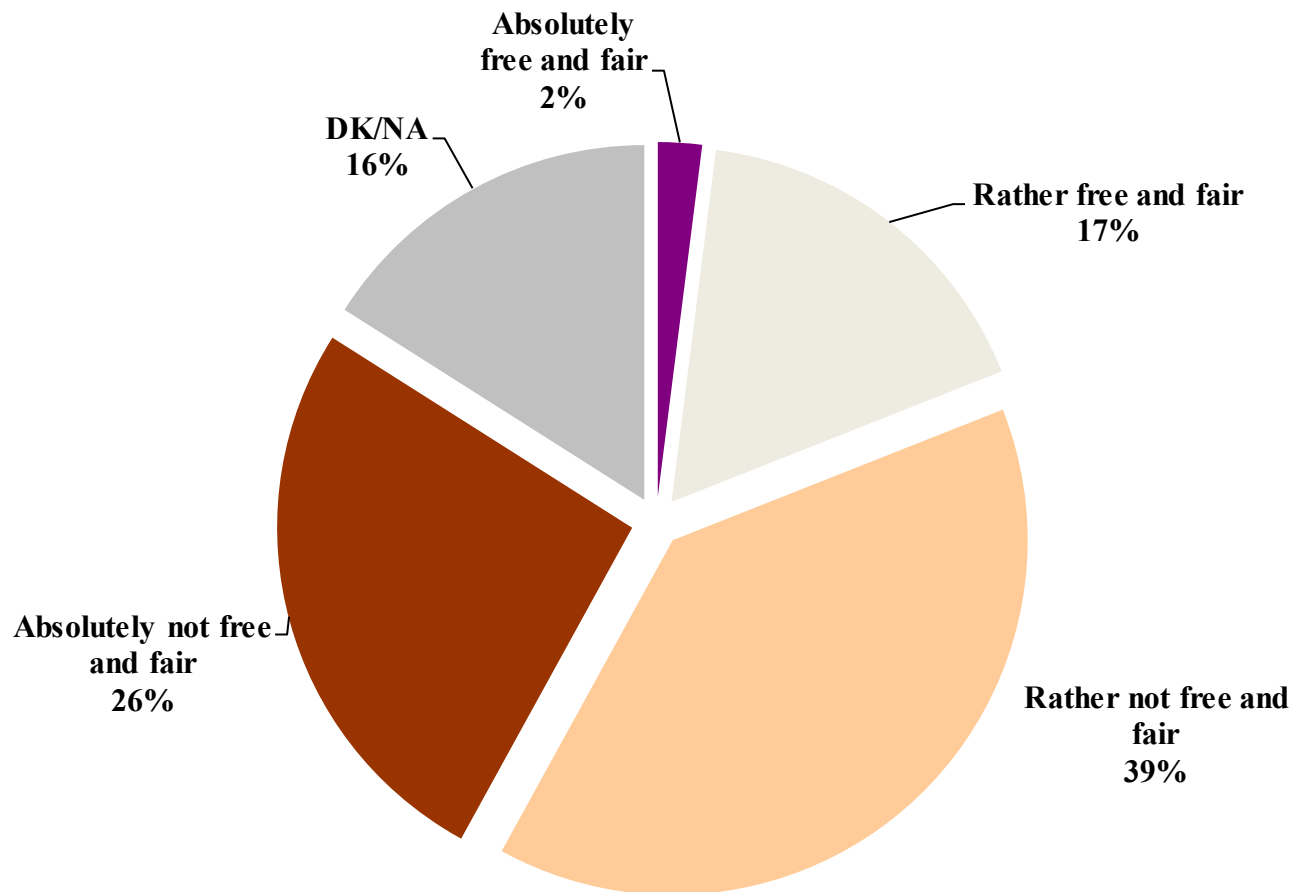
## If pre-term parliamentary elections were announced today, would you vote in such elections?



## If Ukrainian presidential elections were held next Sunday, would you vote in such elections?

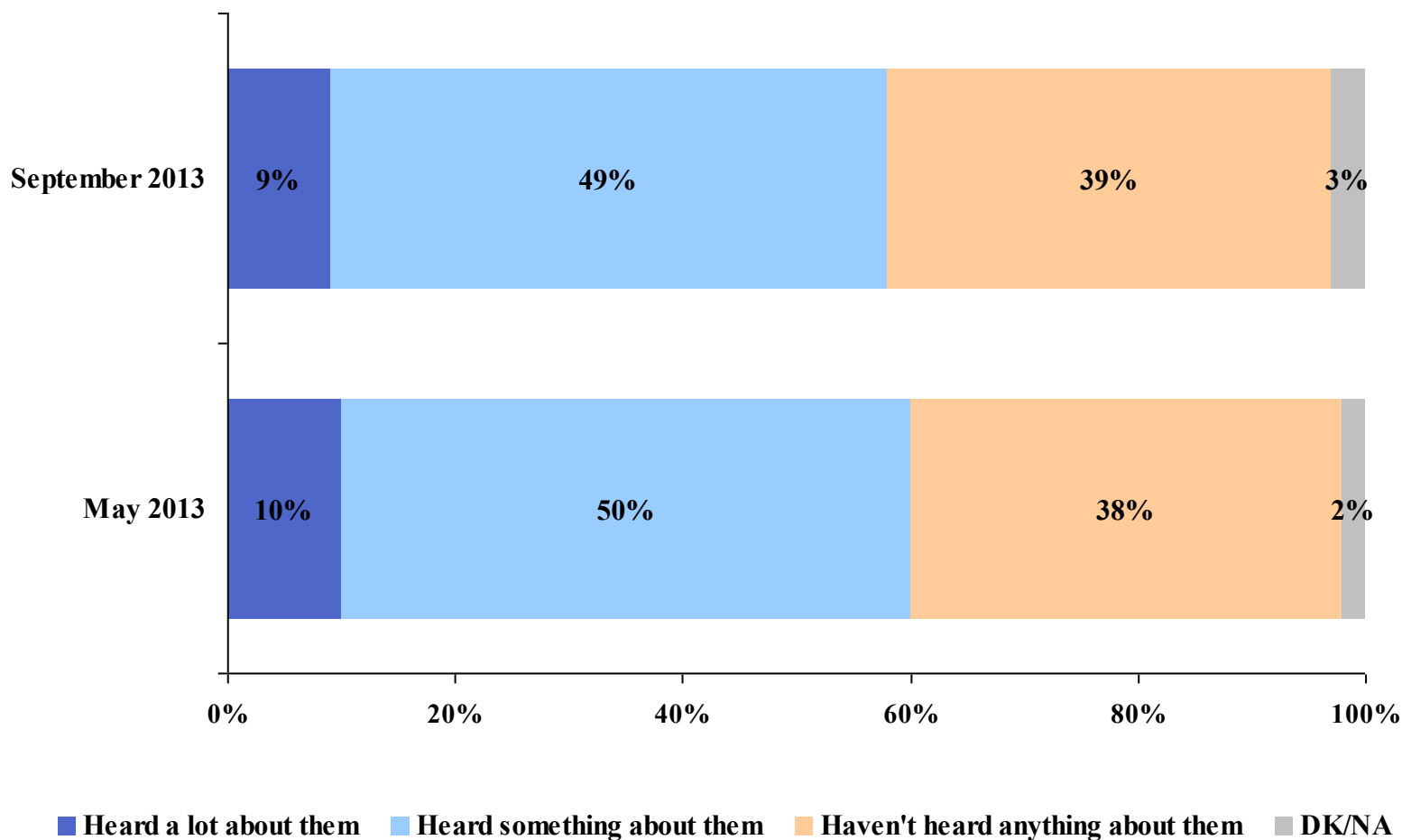


## Do you feel that the next presidential election will be free and fair?



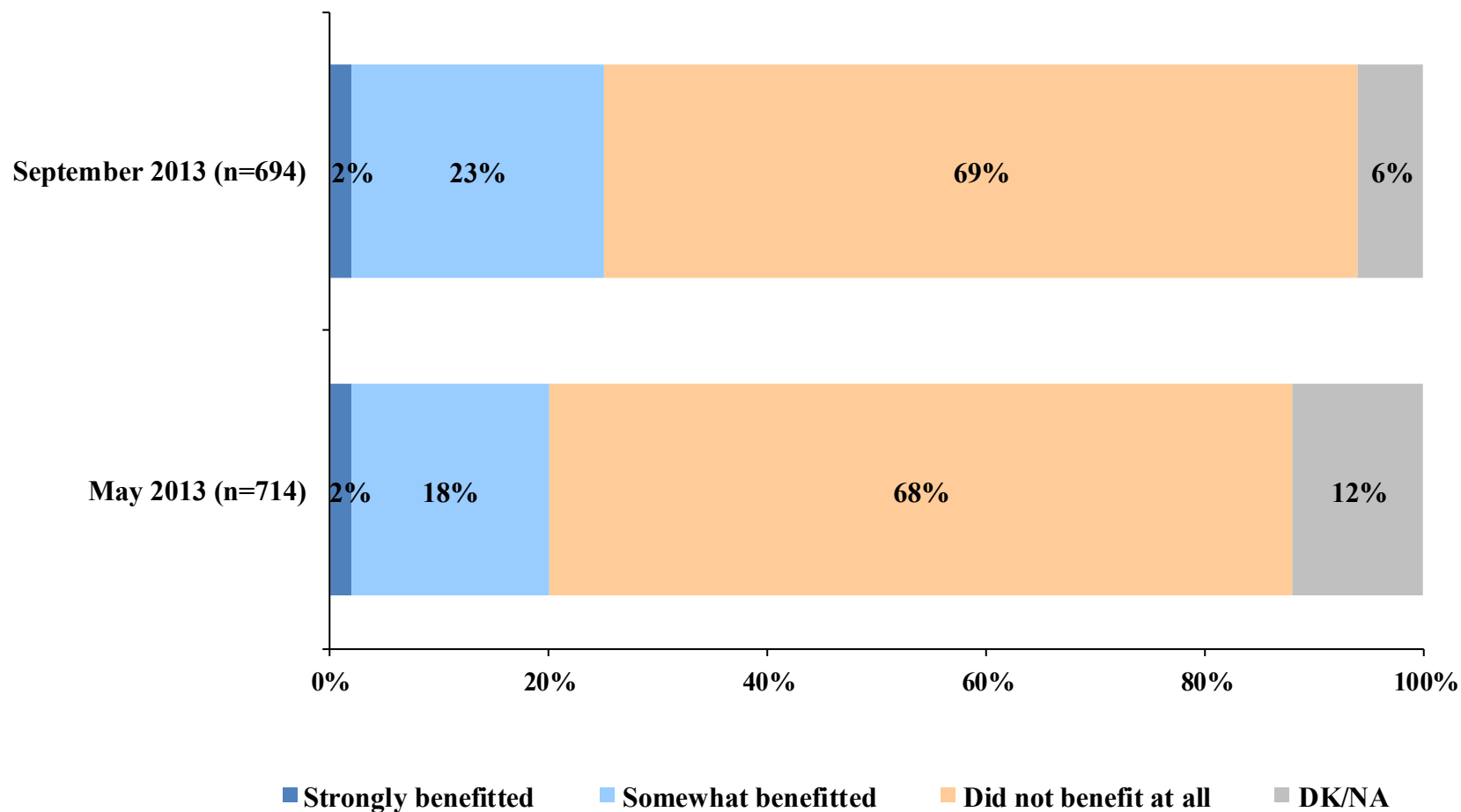


## Have you heard about the social initiatives of President Viktor Yanukovych?

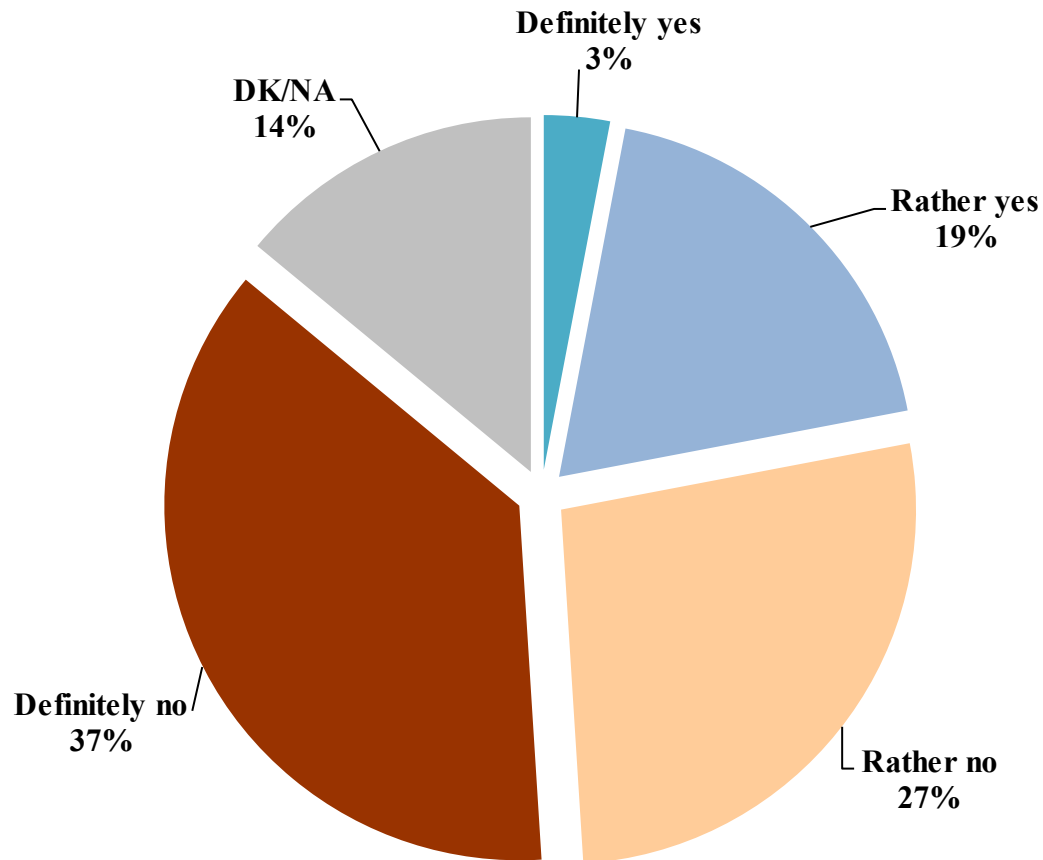


## How much did you benefit from the social initiatives of President Yanukovych?

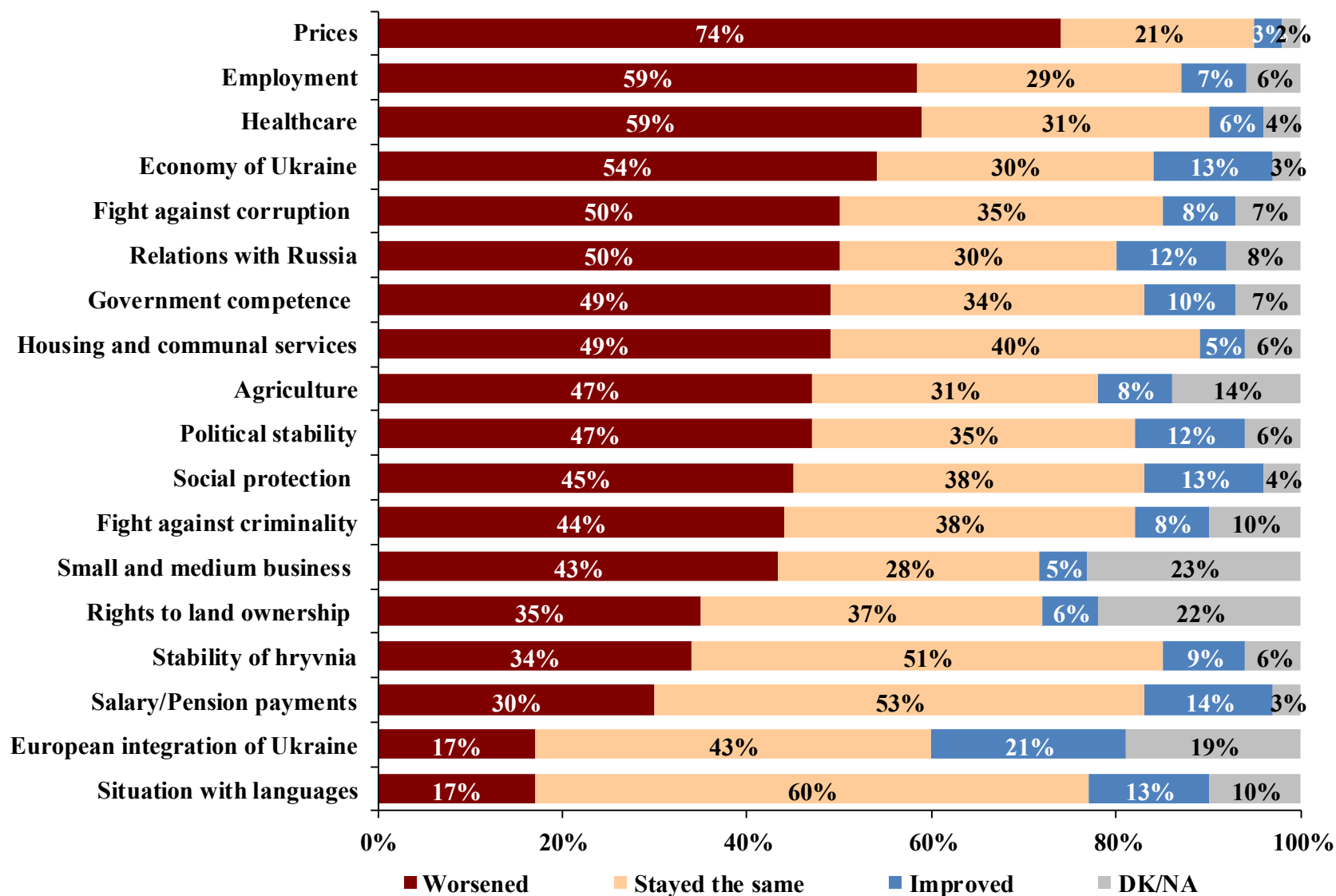
*(Respondents who have heard about the social initiatives of the President)*



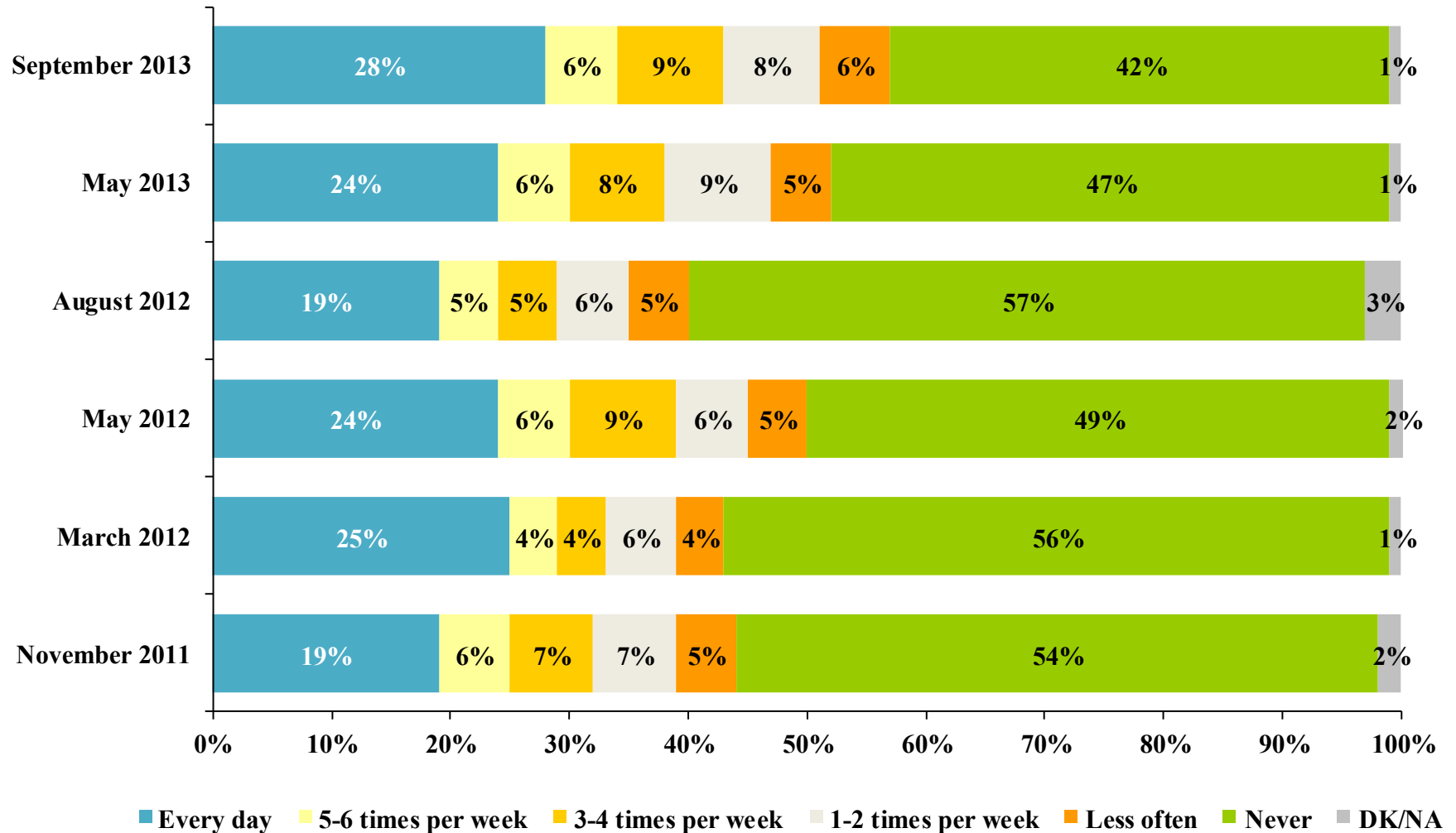
## Do you expect positive changes from the President's social initiatives during the next several years?



## In the past two years, has the situation in the following areas improved or worsened?

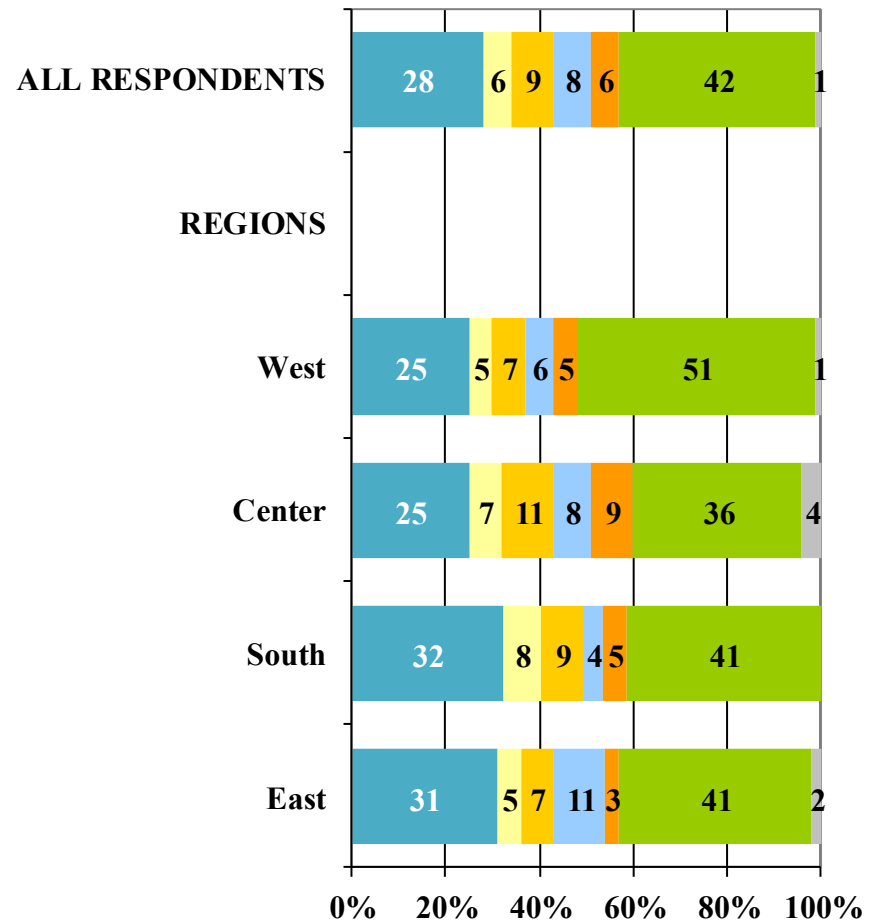
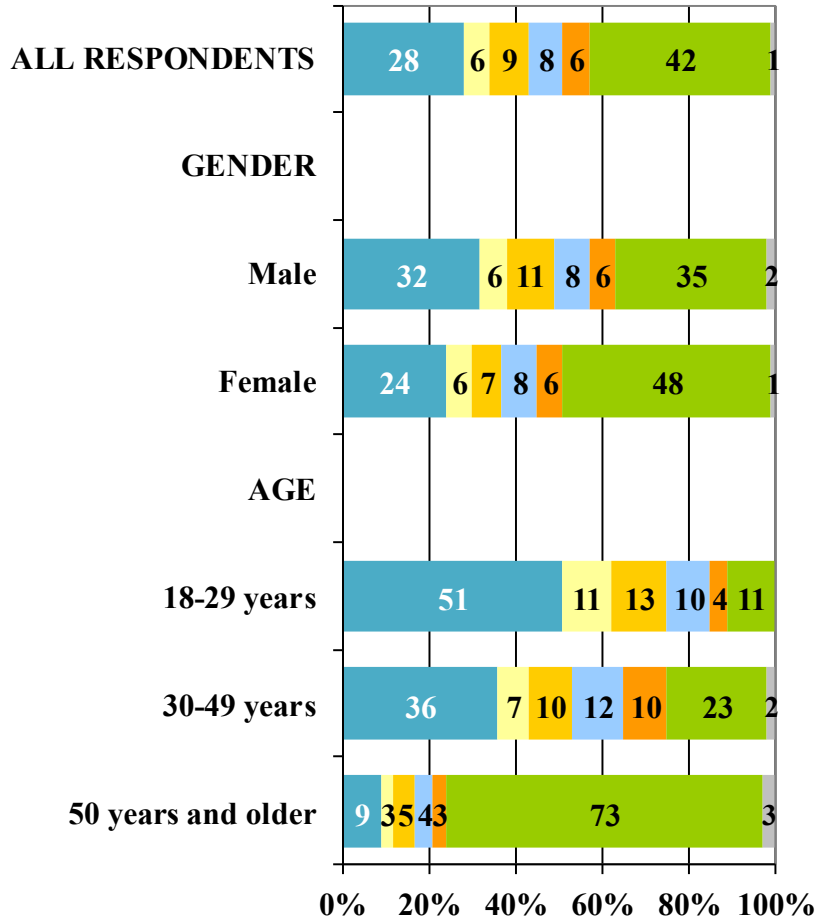


## How many times per week do you access the Internet?



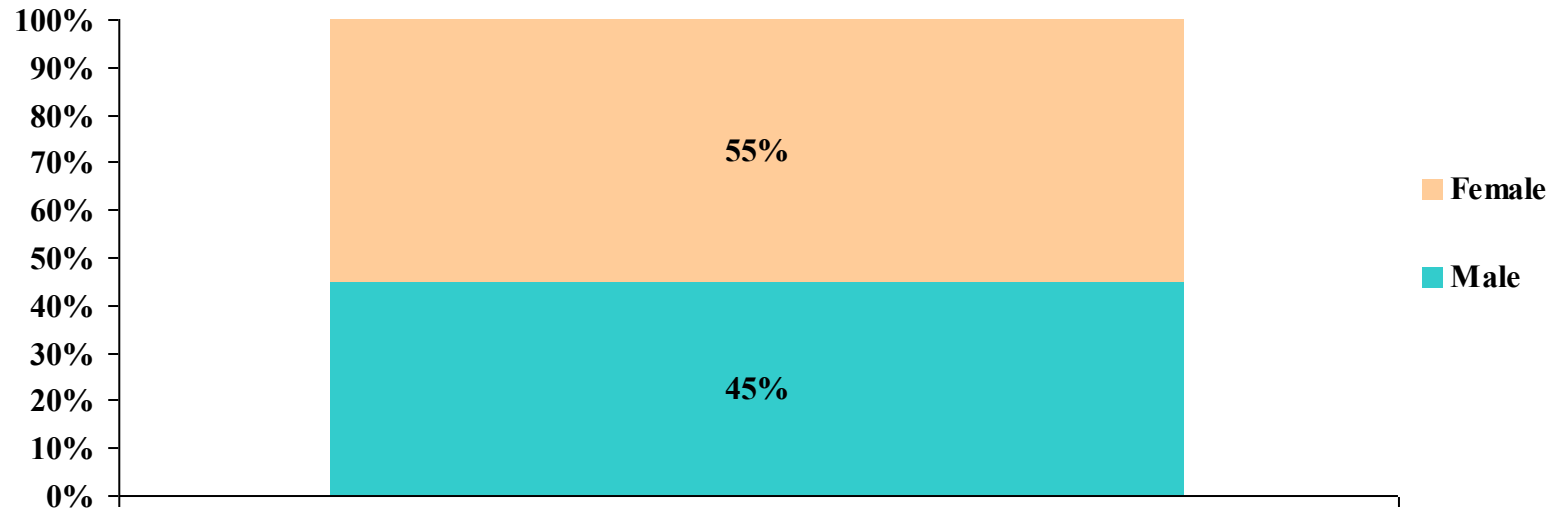
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■ Every day ■ 5-6 times per week ■ 3-4 times per week ■ 1-2 times per week ■ Less often ■ Never ■ DK/NA

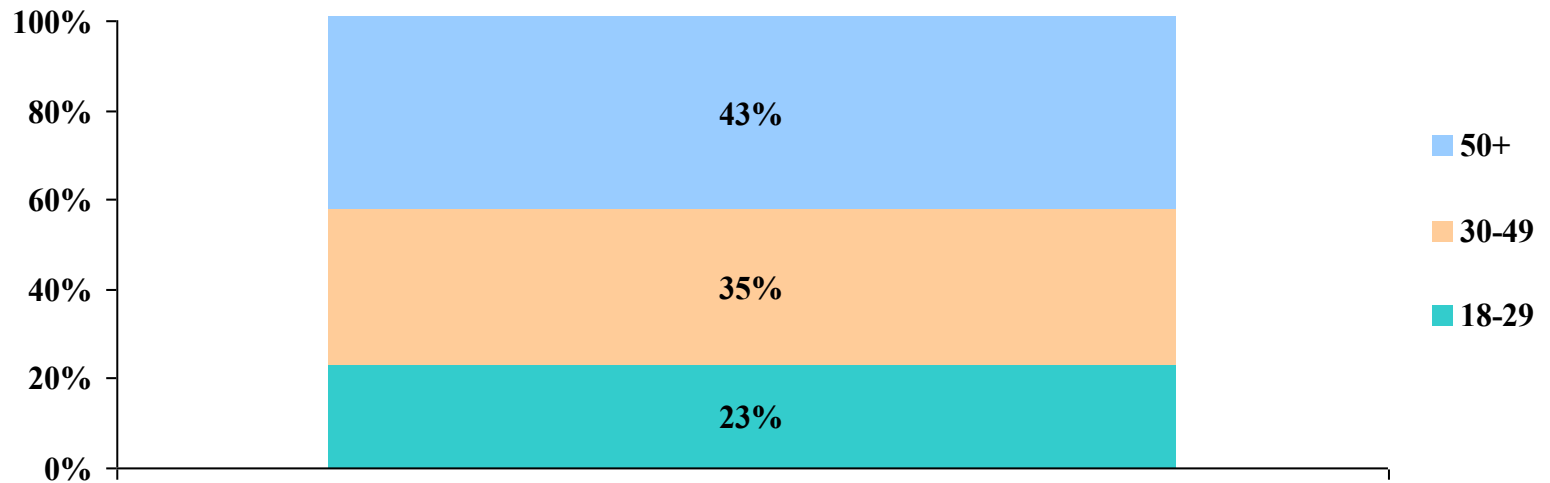


# SOCIO-DEMOGRAPHICS

## Gender

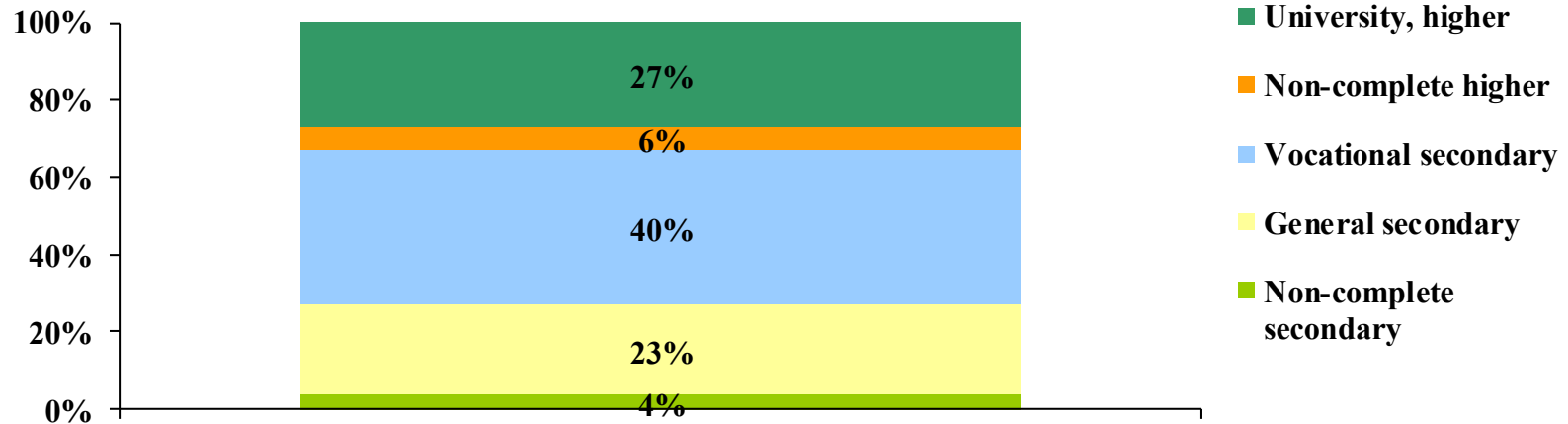


## Age groups

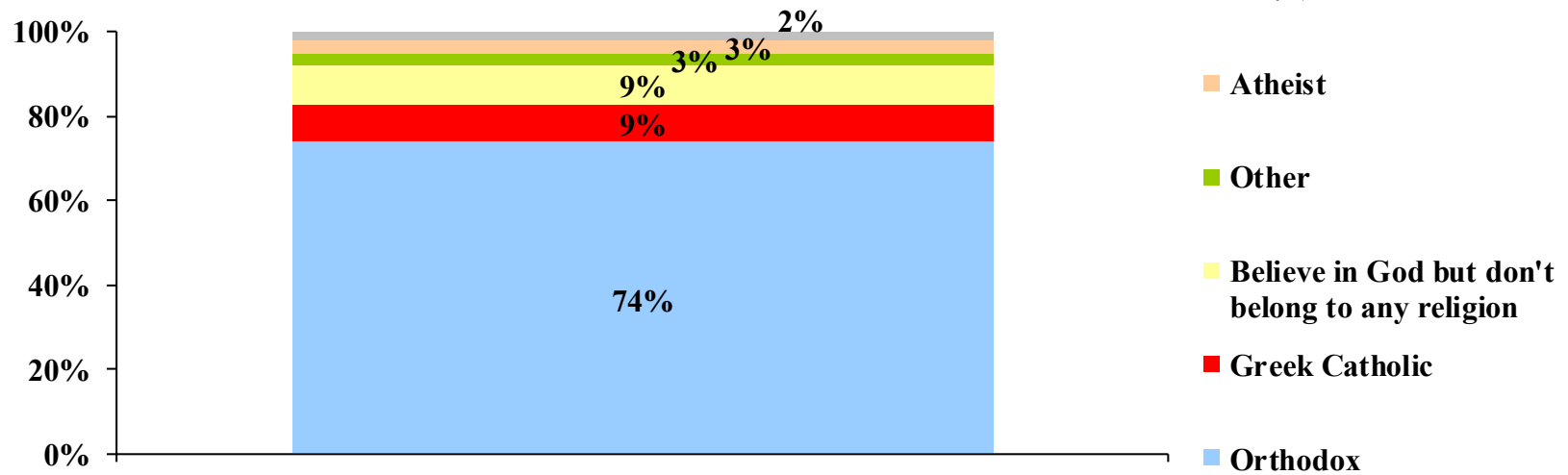




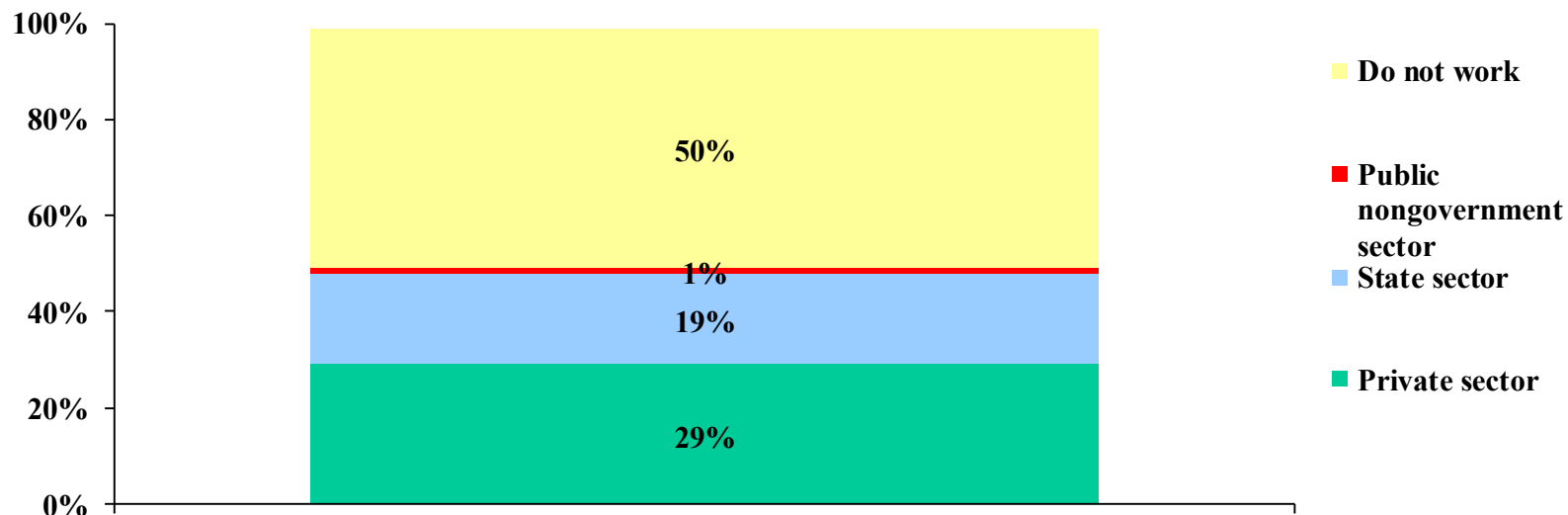
## Education



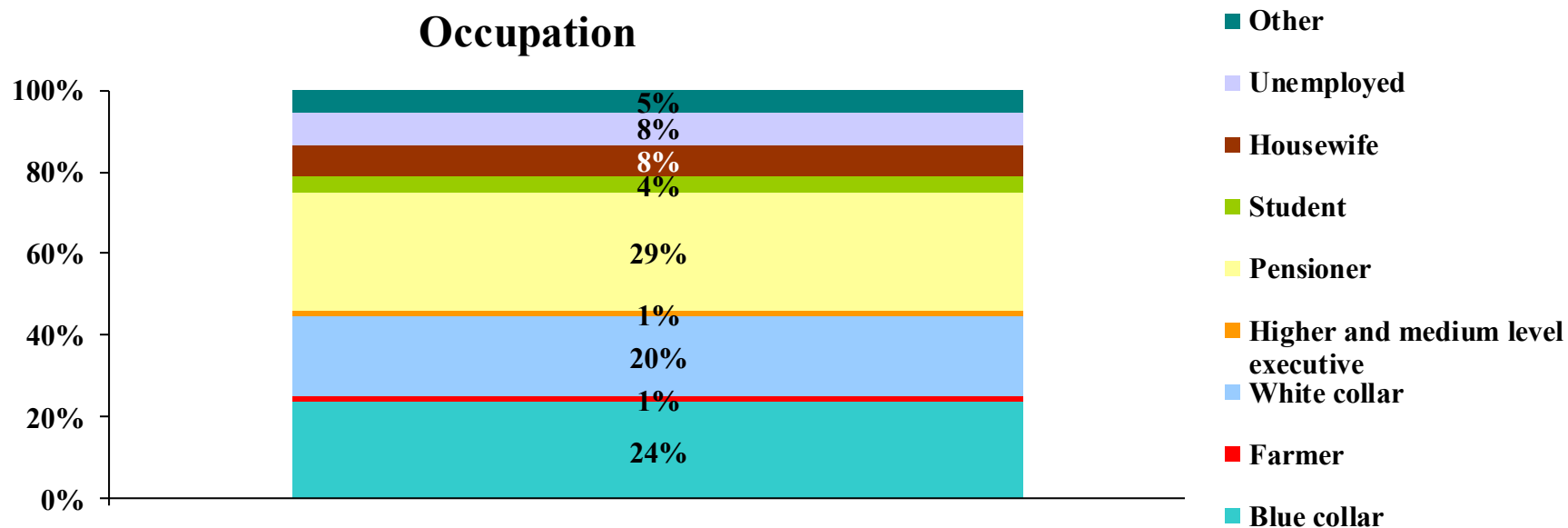
## Religion



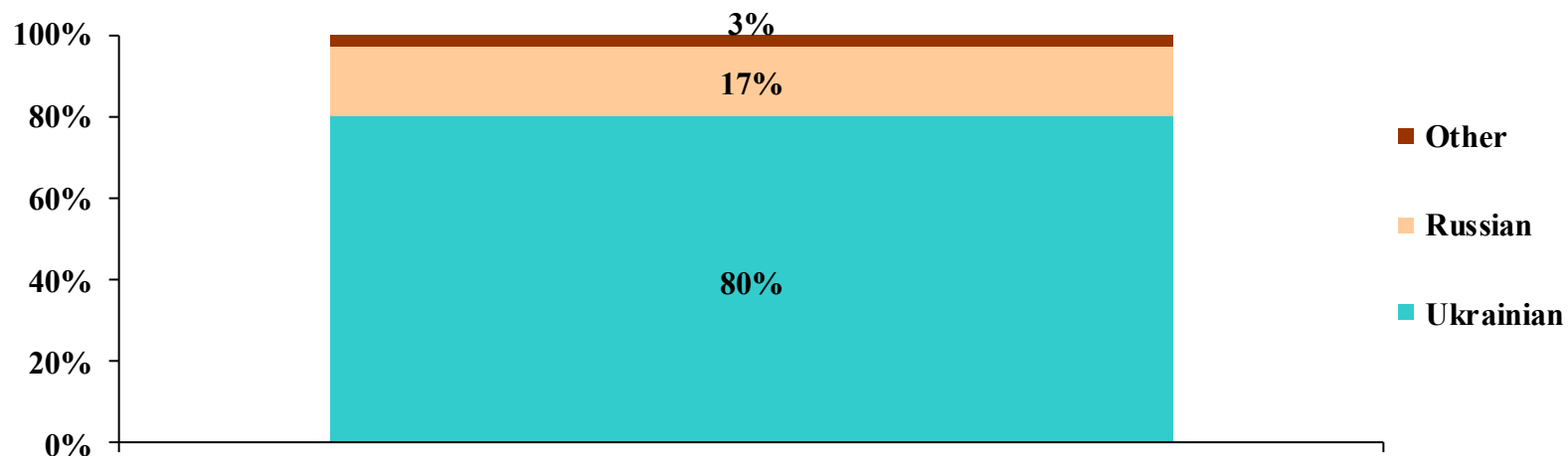
## Sector of employment



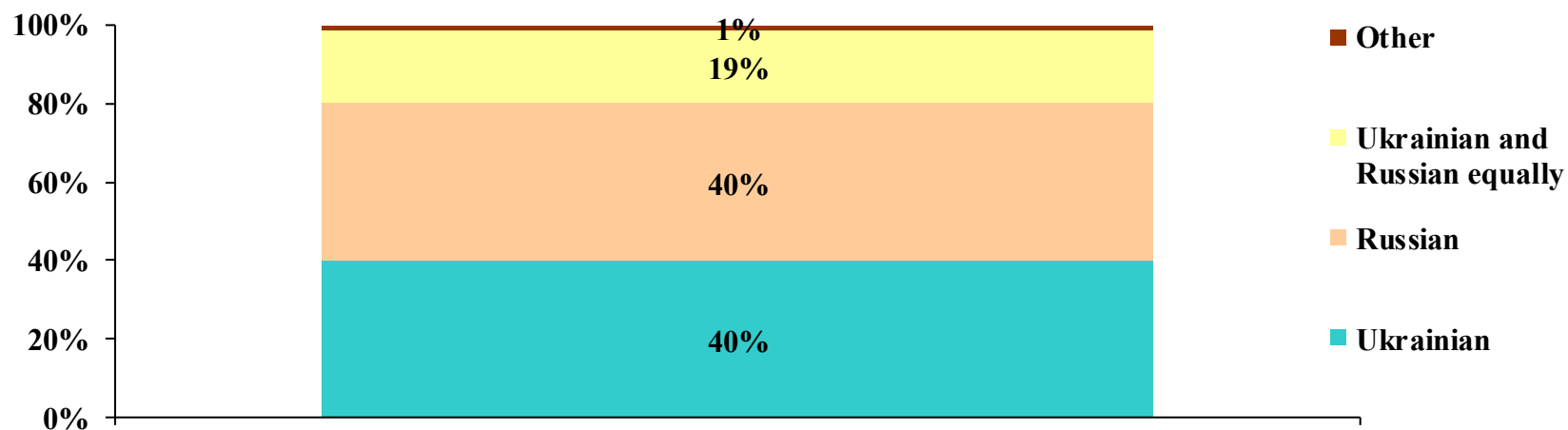
## Occupation



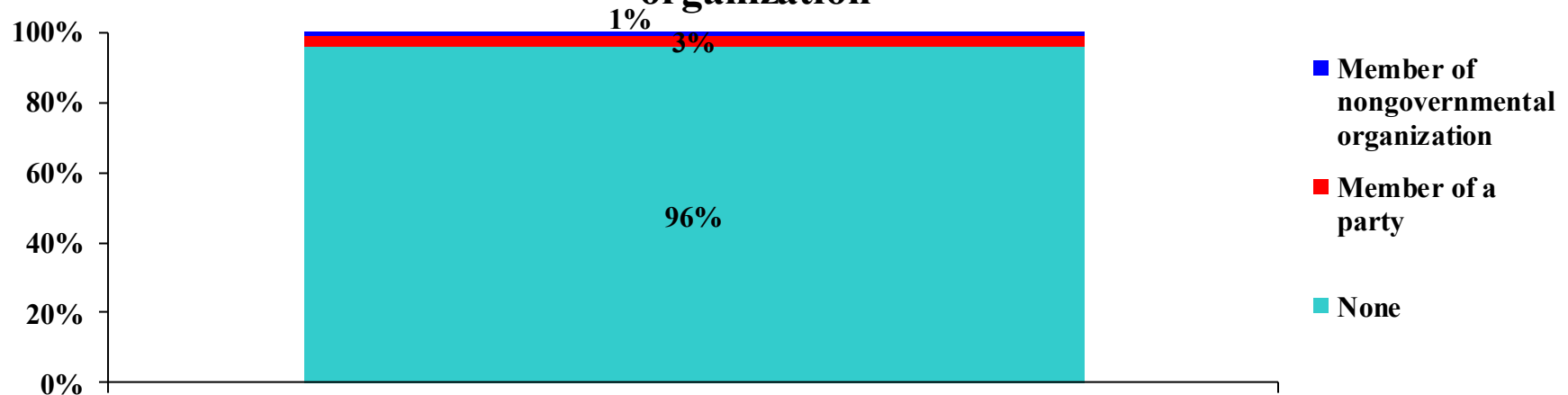
## Ethnicity



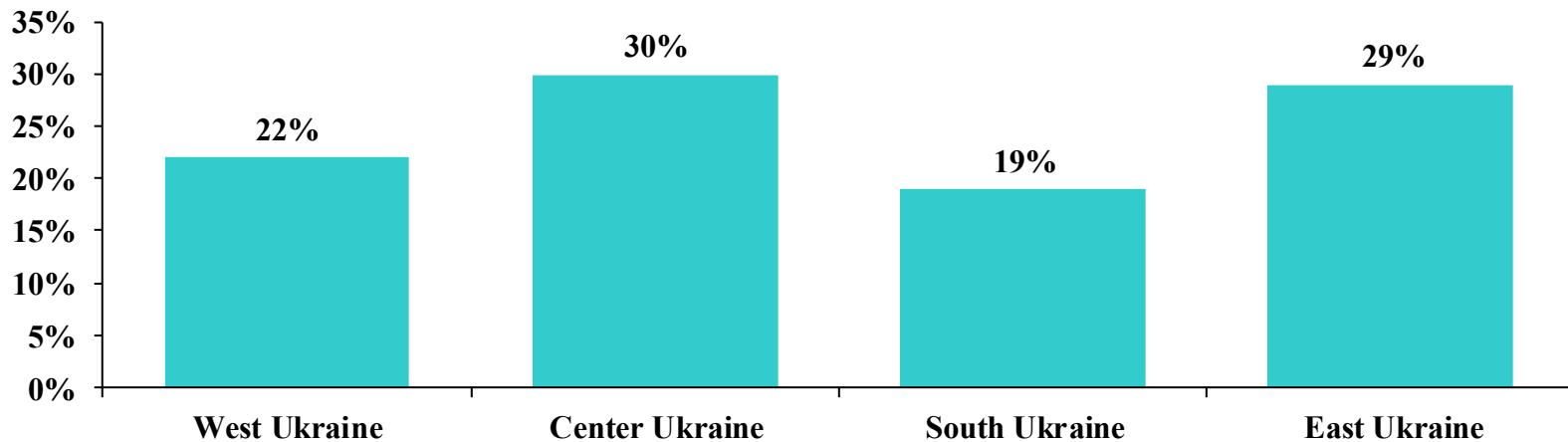
## Language usually spoken at home



## Membership in a political party or nongovernmental organization



## Regions\*



\*Oblasts included in each region: West Ukraine – Volyn, Zakarpattia, Ivano-Frankivsk, Lviv, Rivne, Ternopil, Khmelnytskyi, Chernivtsi  
 Center Ukraine – Vinnitsya, Zhitomyr, Kyiv, Kirovohrad, Poltava, Sumy, Cherkasy, Chernihiv, Kyiv City  
 South Ukraine – Crimea Autonomous Region, Zaporizhia, Mykolaiv, Odesa, Kherson  
 East Ukraine – Dnipropetrovsk, Donetsk, Luhansk, Kharkiv