



Public attitudes in Georgia:

Results of a June 2013 survey carried out for
NDI by CRRC

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Methodology - Current Wave

- This research has been conducted over multiple waves. The funding for this wave was provided by the Swedish International Development and Cooperation Agency (Sida)
- **Current survey wave:**
 - Fieldwork dates: June 12 – 26, 2013
 - 2,338 completed interviews
 - A nationally representative sample of Georgian speakers including Capital, Urban, Rural, East Georgia and West Georgia areas.
- **Sample design**
 - NDI and CRRC use a complex survey design with both stratification and clustering
 - Households are selected via random route sampling
 - Respondents are selected using a Kish table
 - Randomly selected households and individuals are not substituted
 - All interviews are conducted face-to-face
- The average margin of error is +/- 2.9%

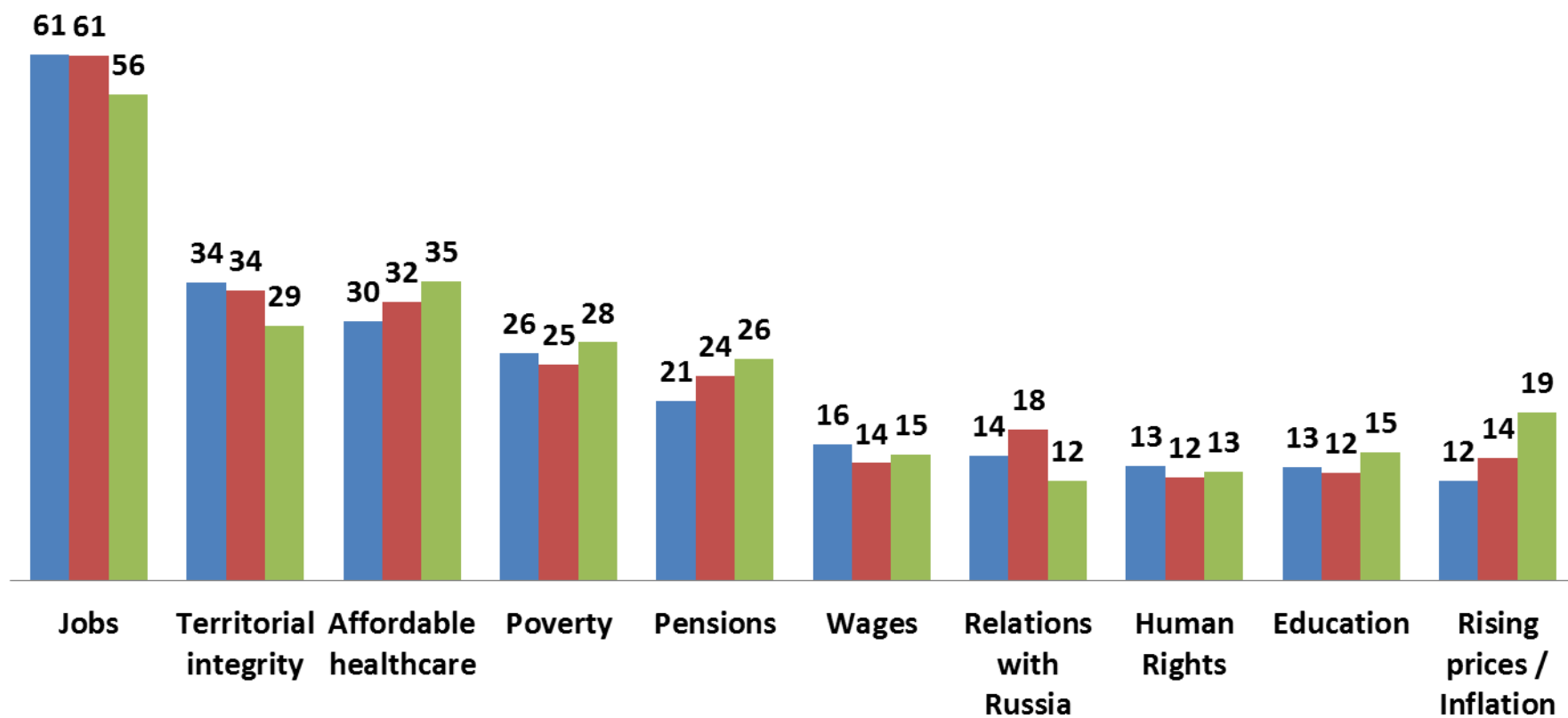
Methodology – Historical Waves

- This research has been conducted over multiple waves. The funding for most waves was provided by Sida, however one wave was funded by the Eurasia Foundation and one by the British Embassy
- Historical waves:
 - **March 2013:**
 - Fieldwork dates: March 13 – 27, 2013
 - 3,103 completed interviews
 - A nationally representative sample of Georgian speakers including Capital, Urban, Rural, East Georgia and West Georgia areas.
 - The average margin of error does not exceed +/- 2.5%
 - **November 2012**
 - Fieldwork dates: November 14 – 25, 2012
 - 1,947 completed interviews
 - A nationally representative sample including capital, urban, rural, East Georgia and West Georgia areas
 - The average margin of error does not exceed +/- 3%
 - **August 2012**
 - Fieldwork dates: July 31 – August 12, 2012
 - 2,038 completed interviews
 - A nationally representative sample including Capital, urban and rural areas.
 - The average margin of error does not exceed +/- 3%

National and Local Issues

Most important national issues. Name up to three (q1) Part 1

■ June 2013 ■ March 2013 ■ November 2012



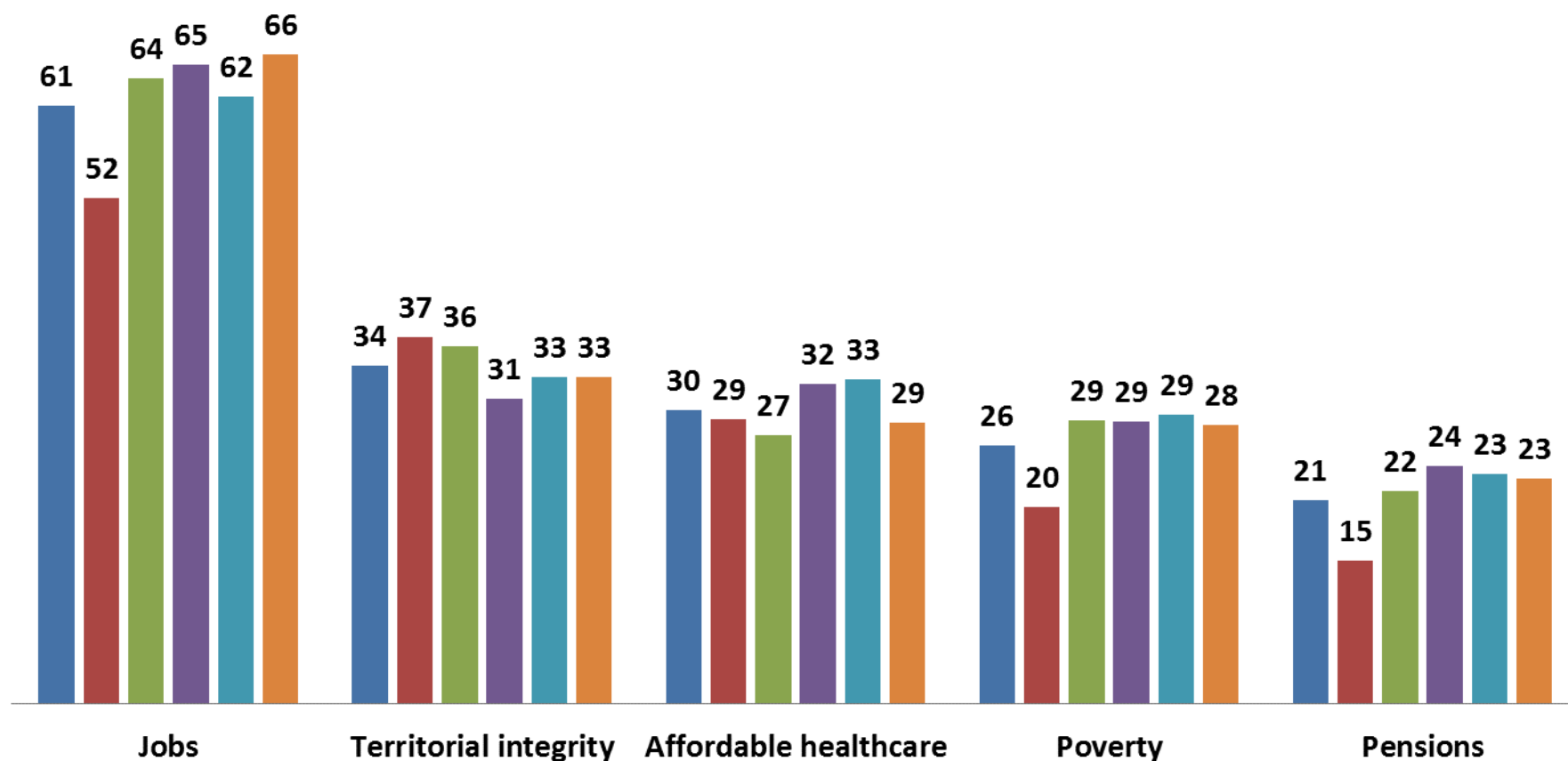
Most important national issues. Name up to three (q1) Part 2

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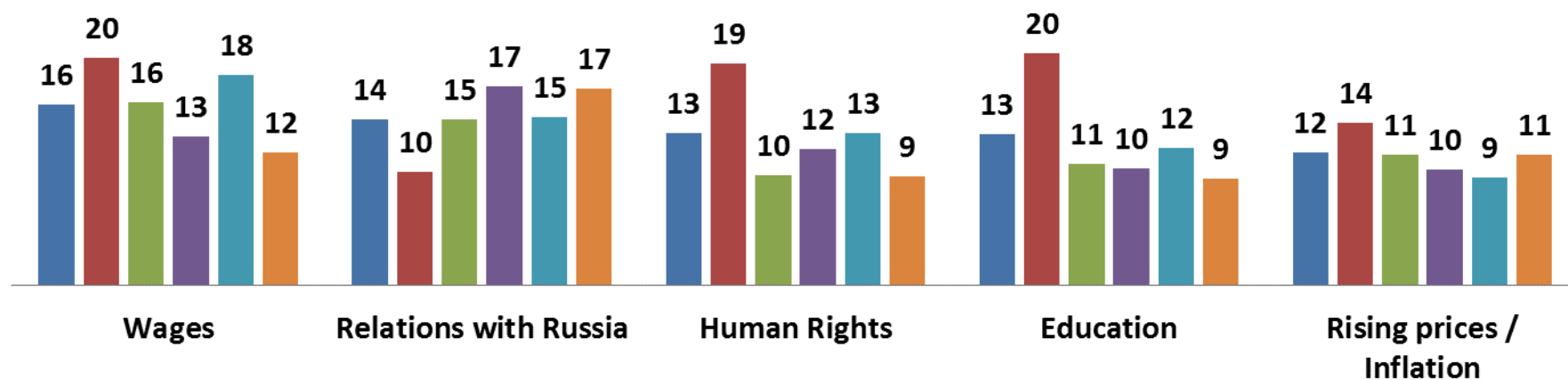
Most important national issues. Name up to three (q1 X Settlement) Part 1

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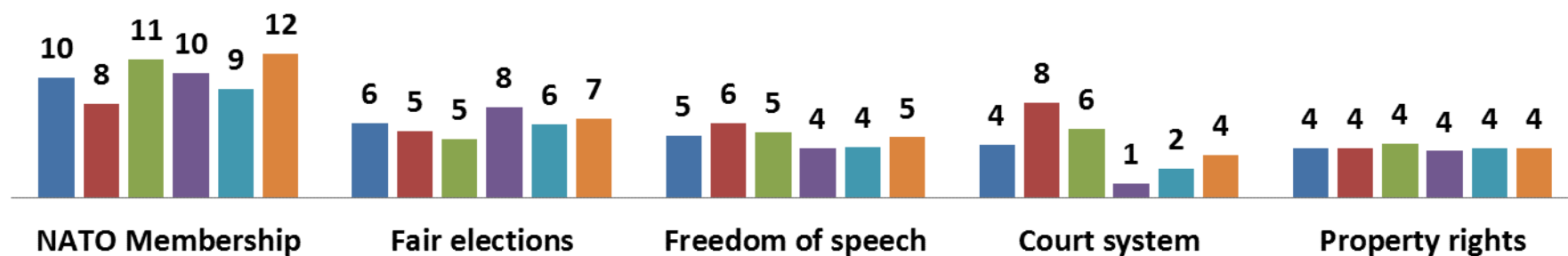
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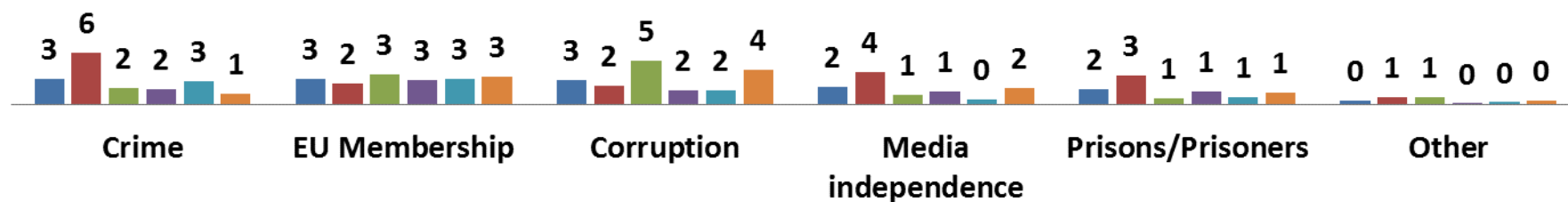
Most important national issues. Name up to three (q1 X Settlement) Part 3

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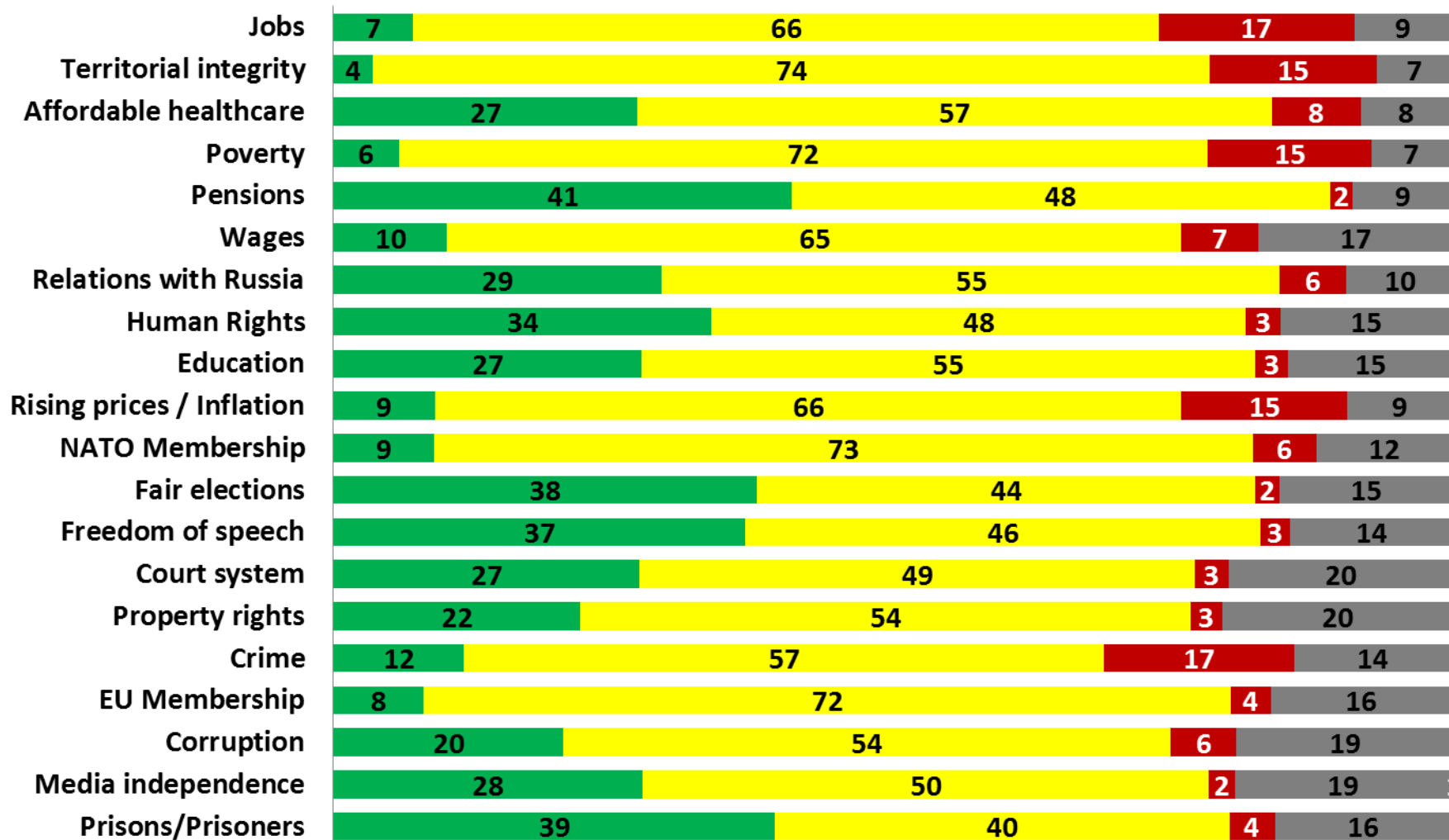
Most important national issues. Name up to three (q1 X Settlement) Part 4

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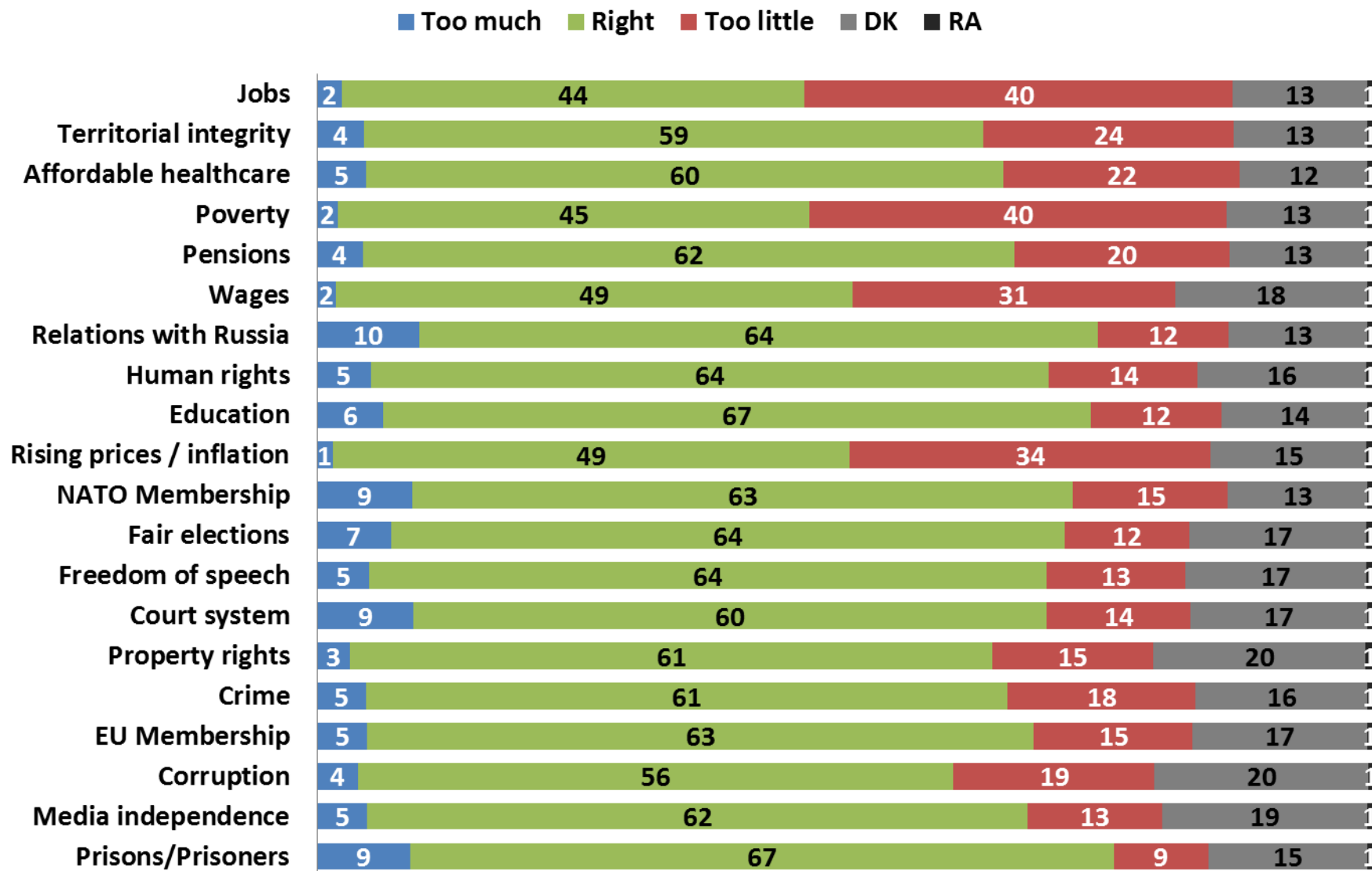


How do you think the situation has changed in Georgia compared to October 2012? (q2)

■ Better ■ Same ■ Worse ■ DK ■ RA

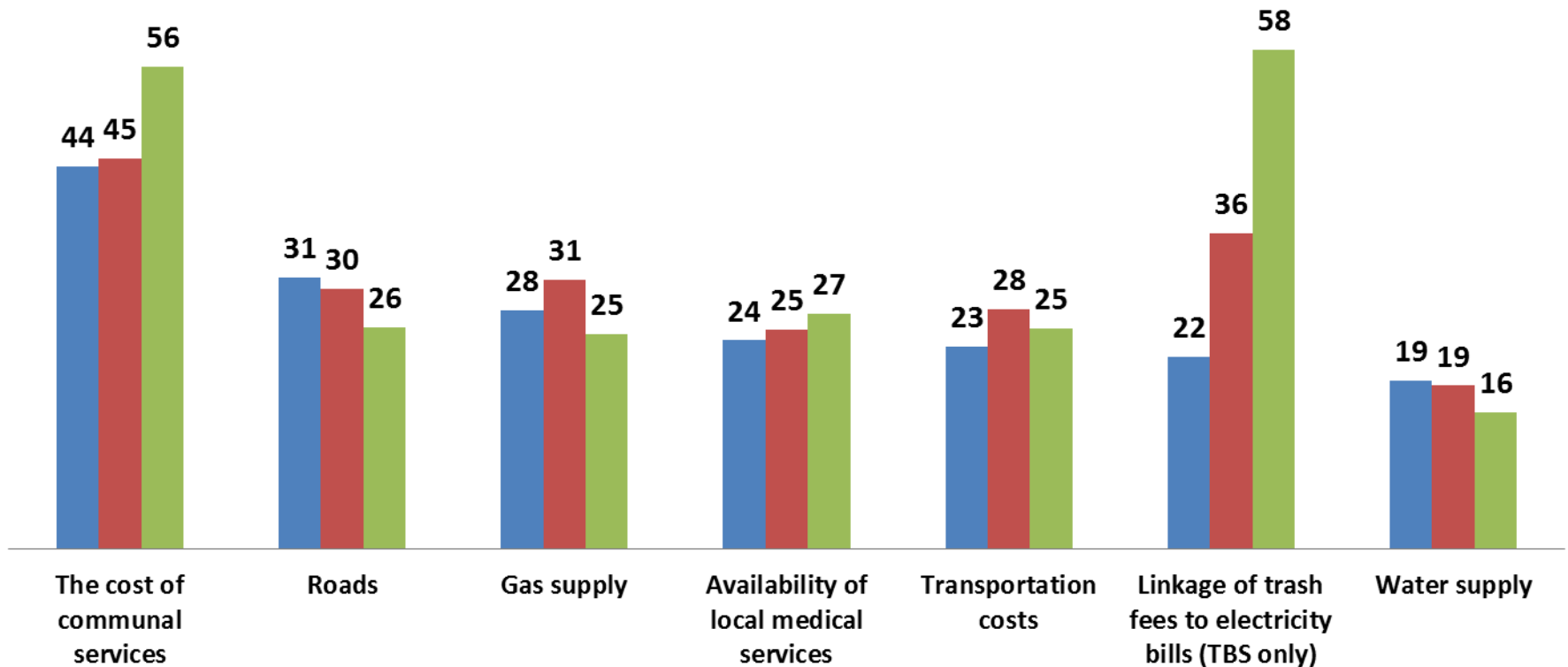


Politicians in Georgia talk about ... too much, the right amount or too little? (q3)



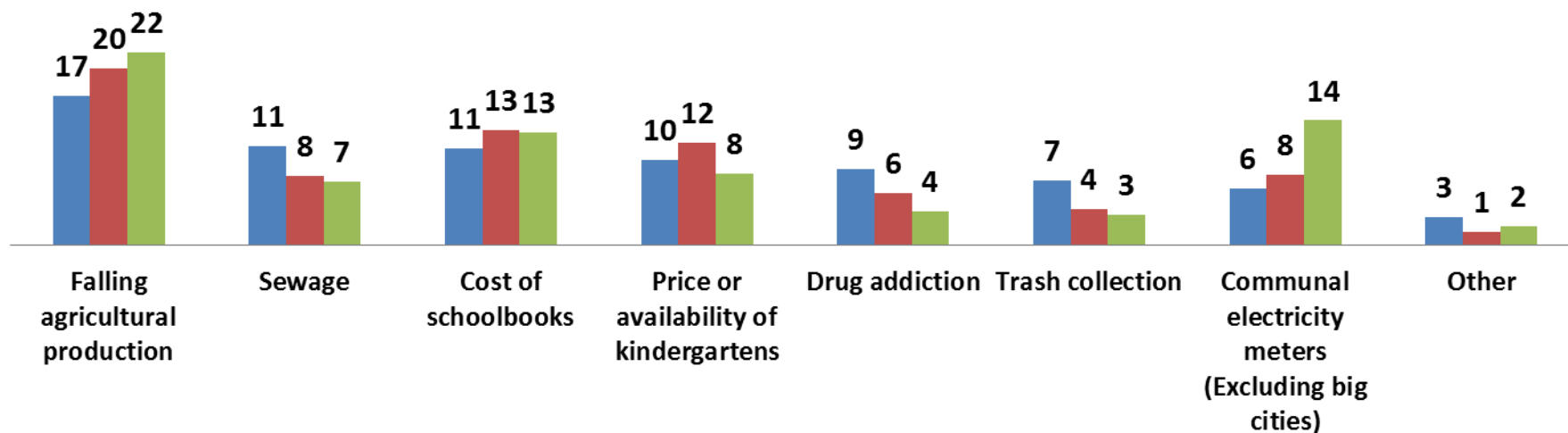
Most important local issues. Name up to three (q4) Part 1

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Most important local issues. Name up to three (q4) Part 2

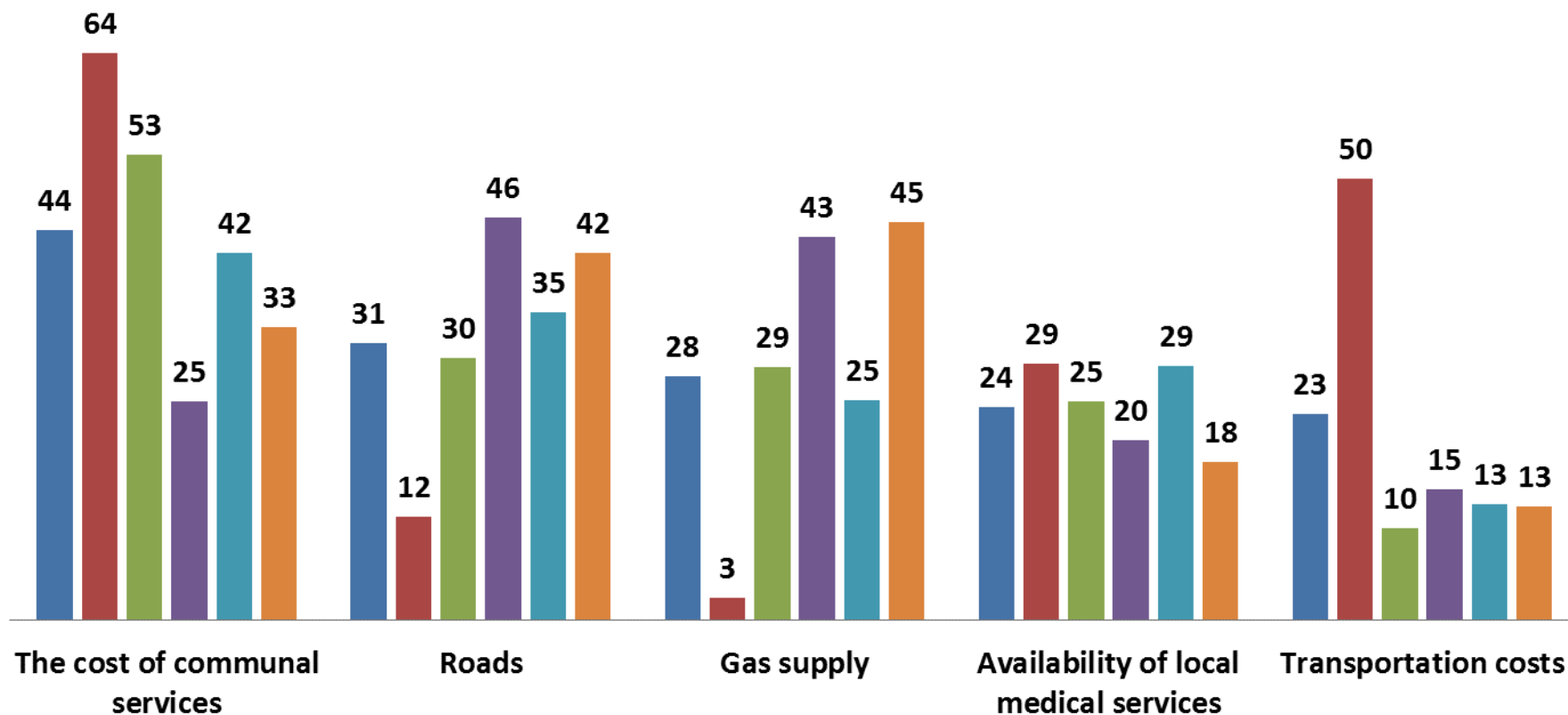
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Most important local issues. Name up to three (q4 X Settlement)

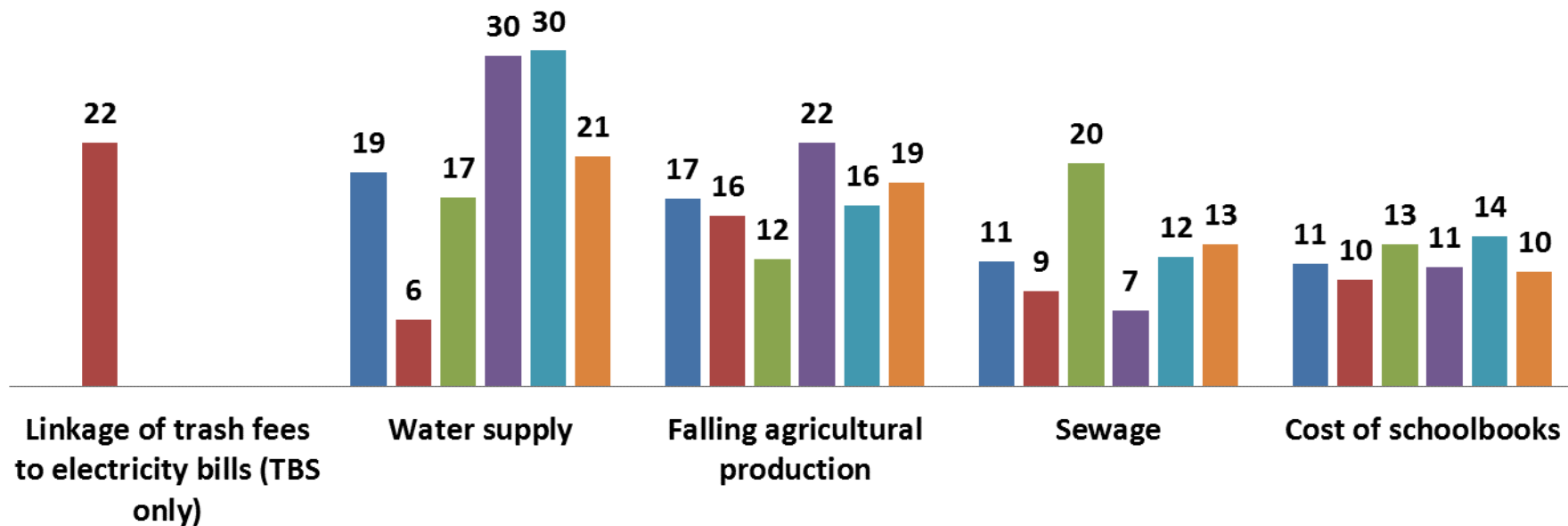
Part 1

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Most important local issues. Name up to three (q4 X Settlement) Part 2

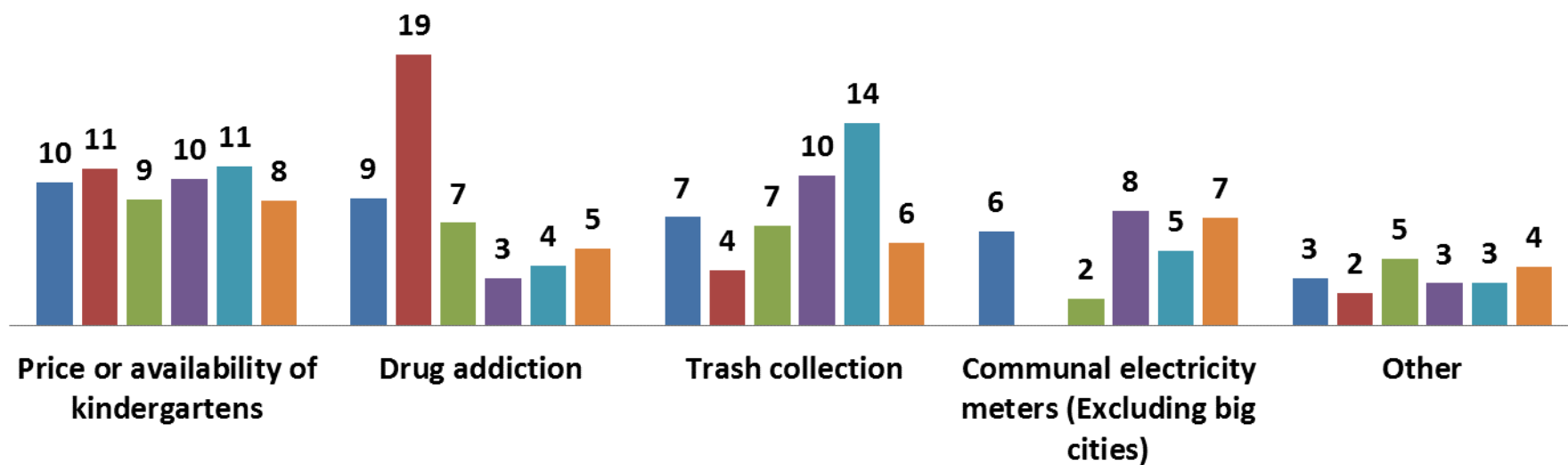
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Most important local issues. Name up to three (q4 X Settlement)

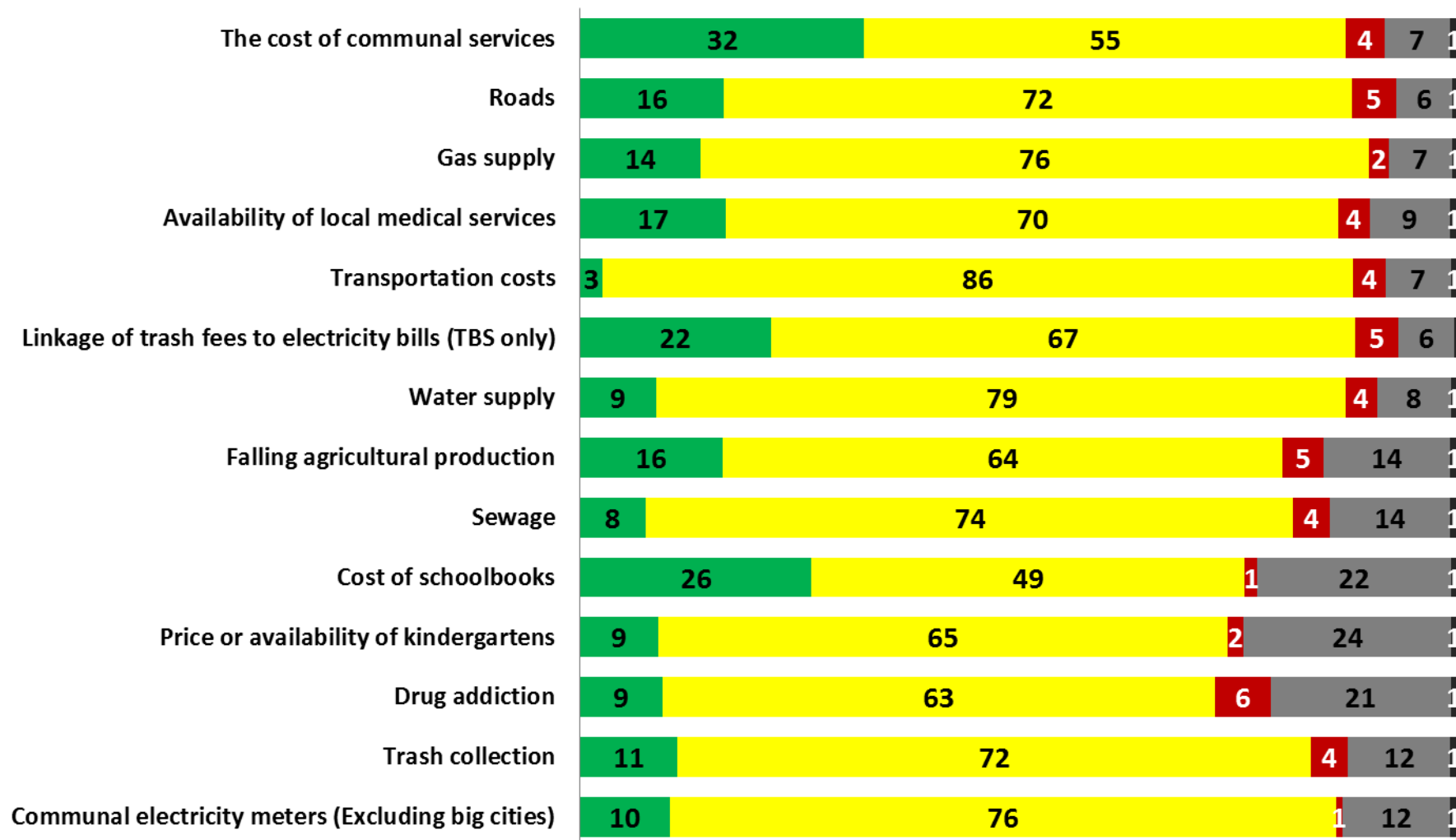
Part 3

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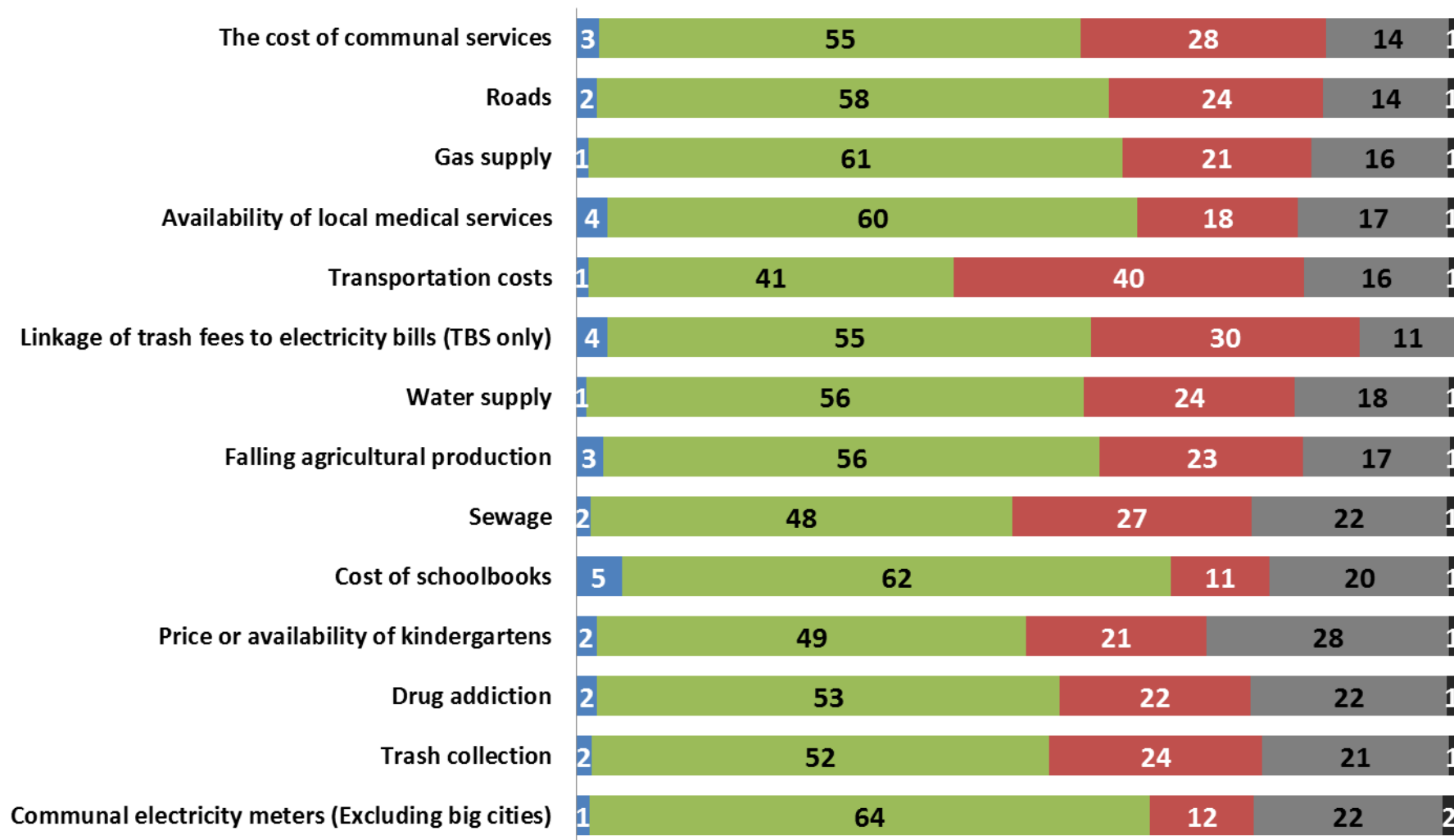
How do you think the situation has changed in Georgia compared to October 2012? (q5)

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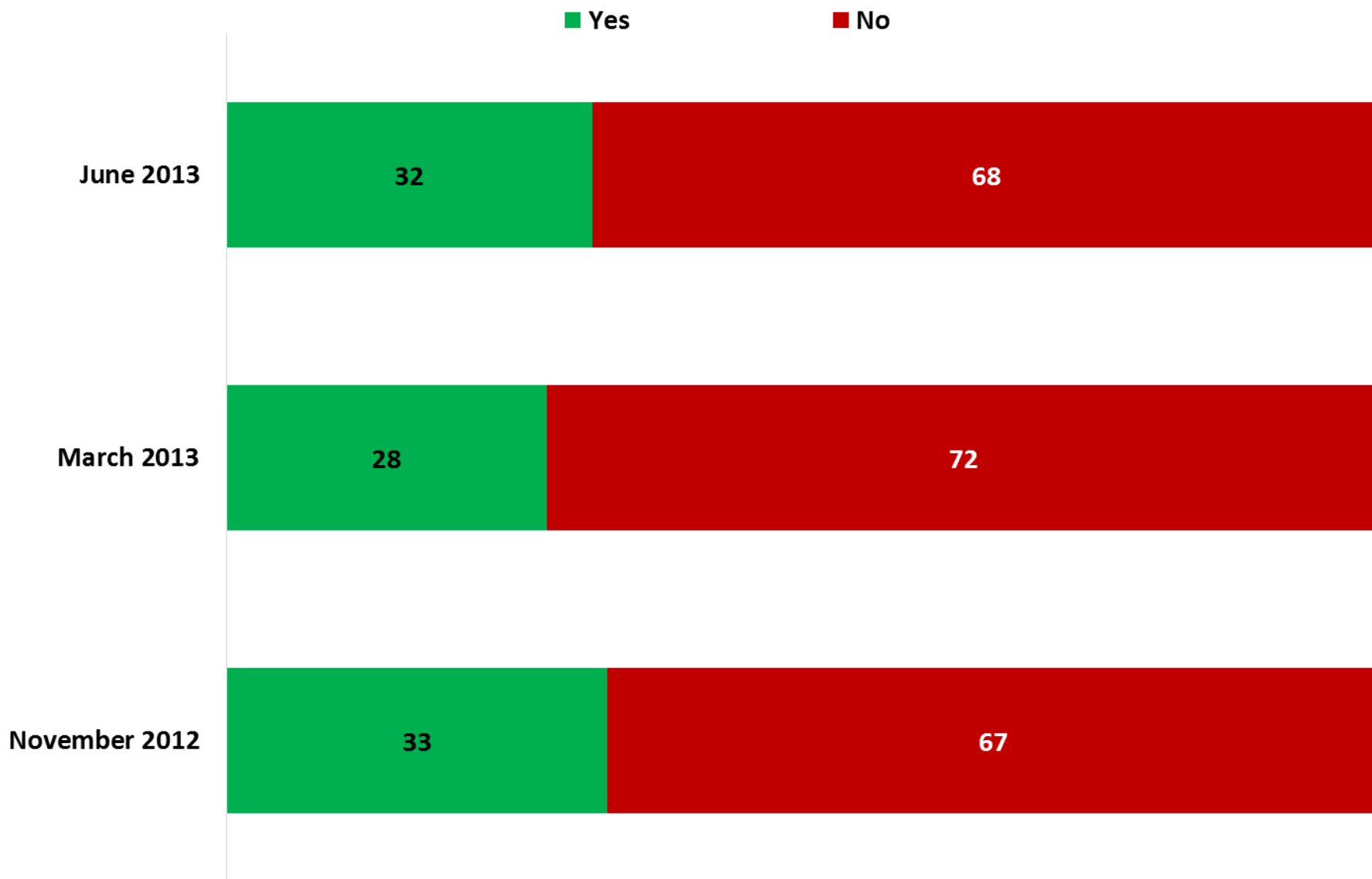


Politicians in Georgia talk about ... too much, the right amount or too little? (q6)

■ Too much ■ Right ■ Too little ■ DK ■ RA

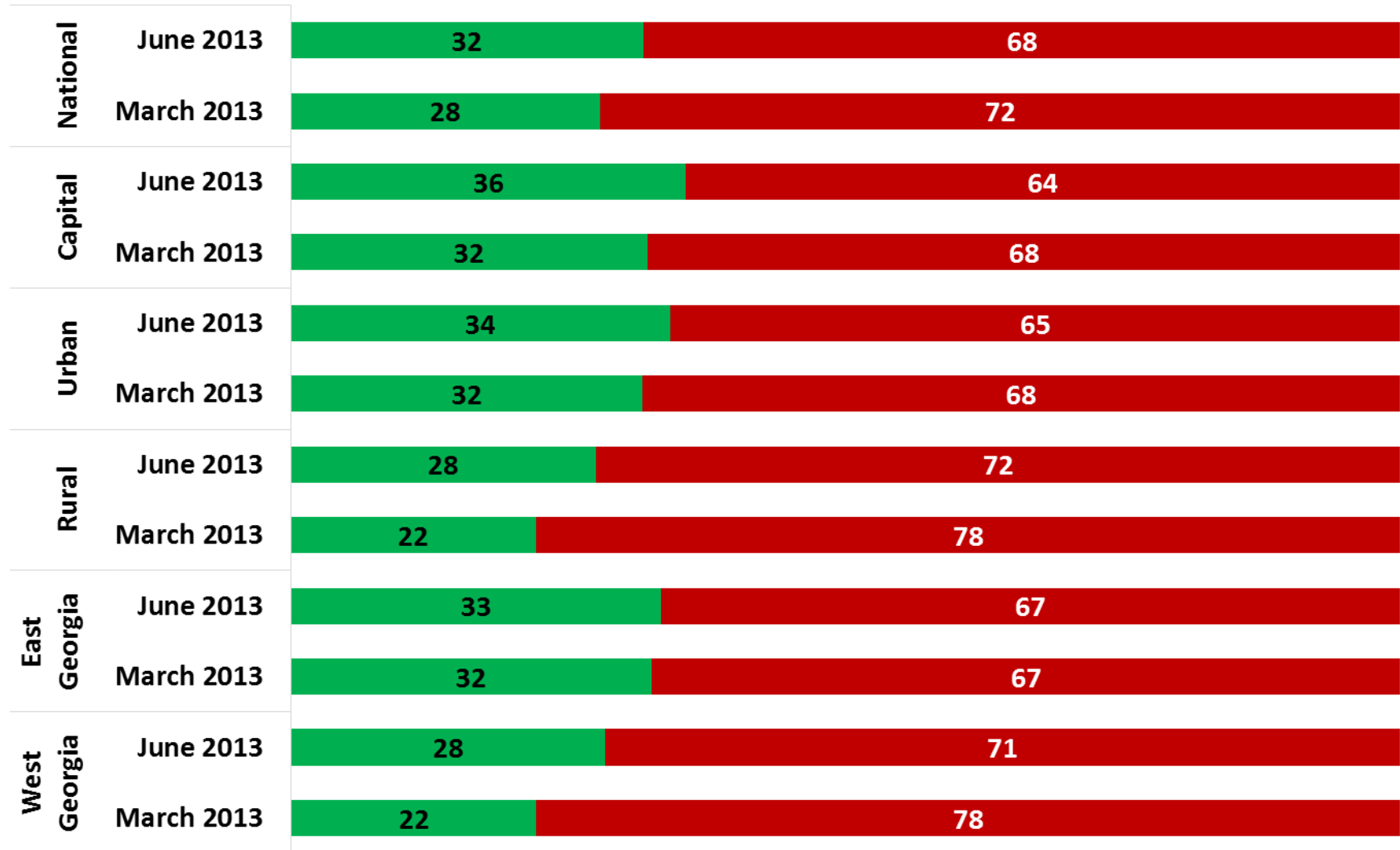


Do you consider yourself to be employed? (q90)



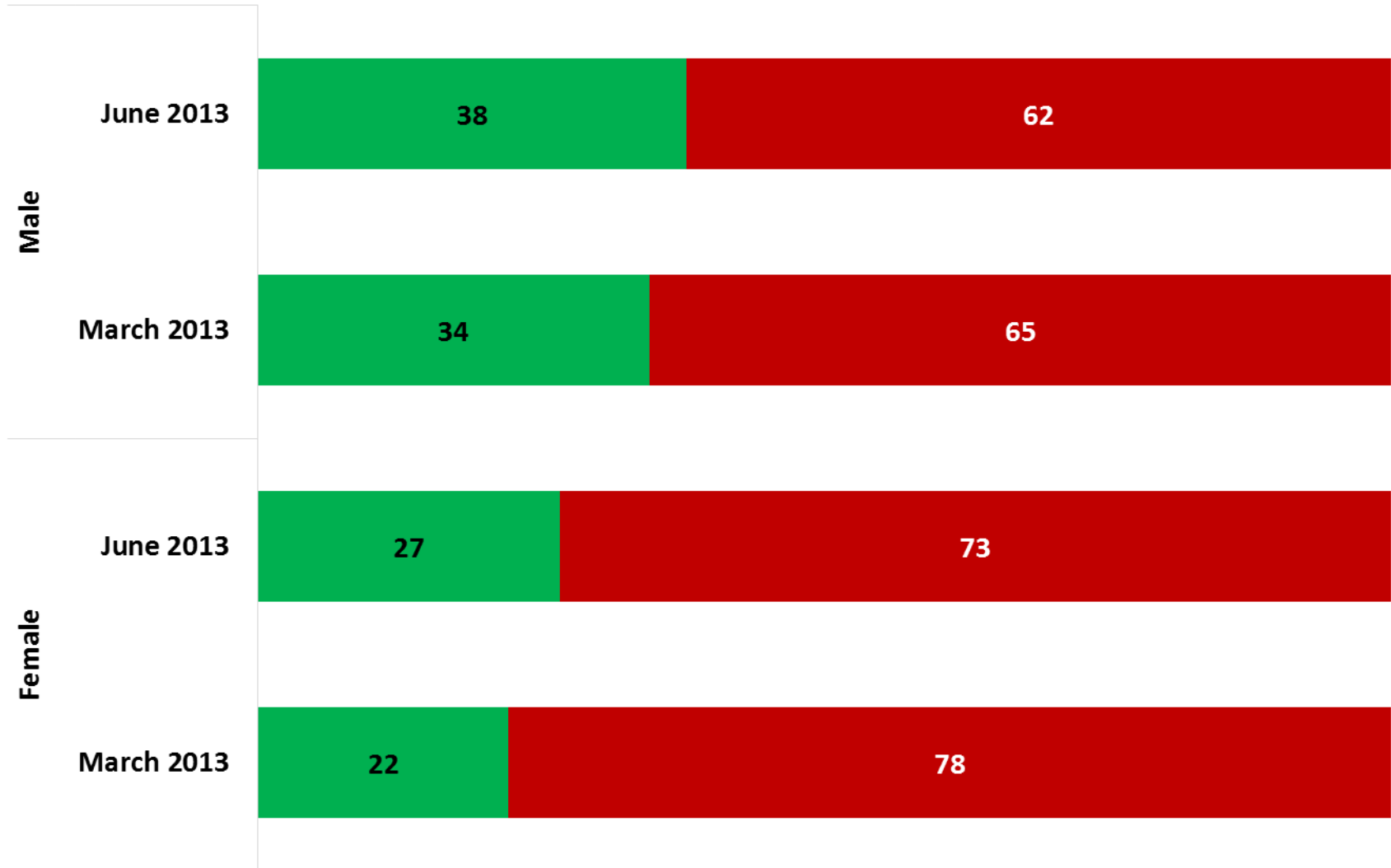
Do you consider yourself to be employed? (q90 X Settlement)

■ Yes ■ No



Do you consider yourself to be employed? (q90 X Gender)

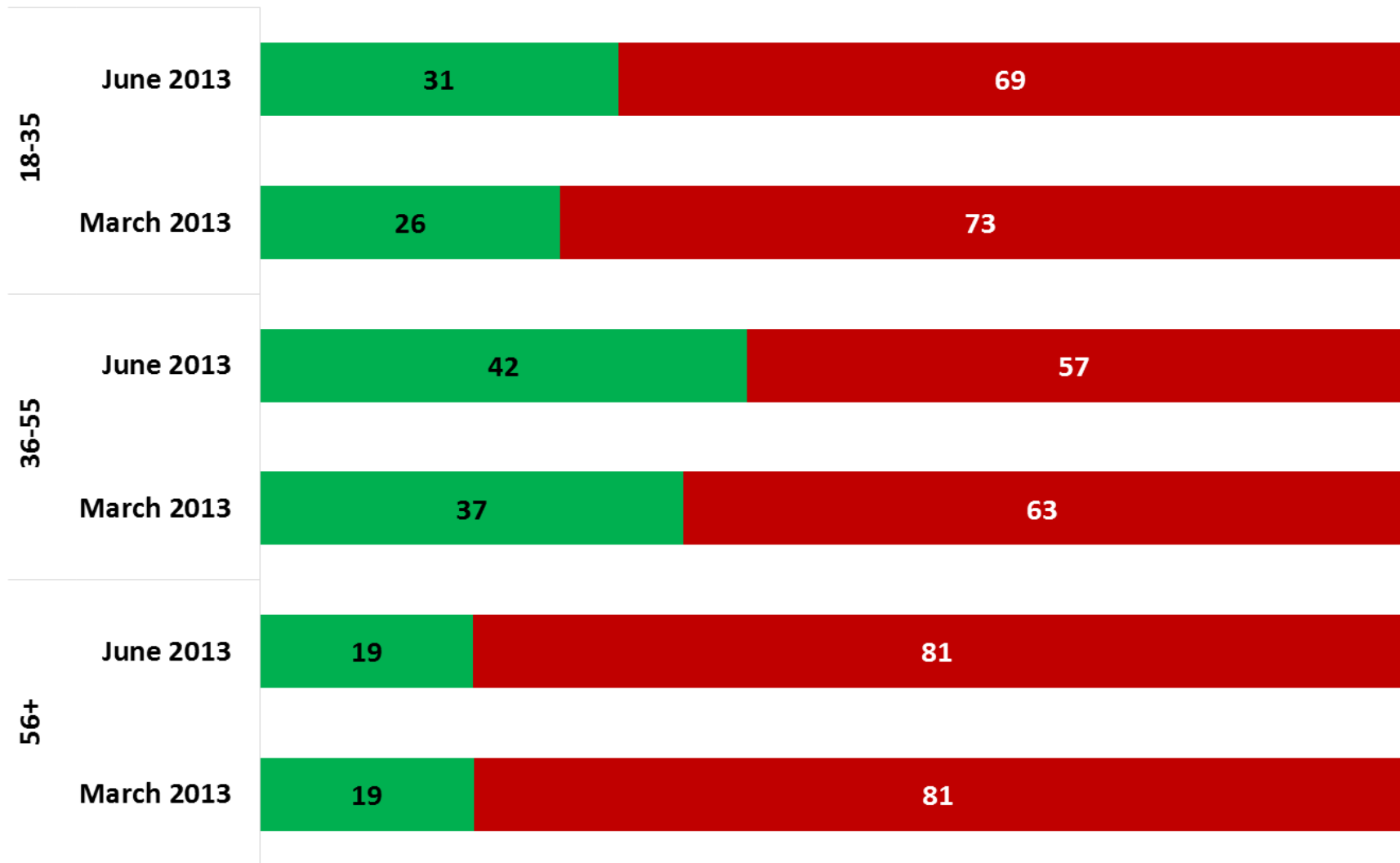
■ Yes ■ No



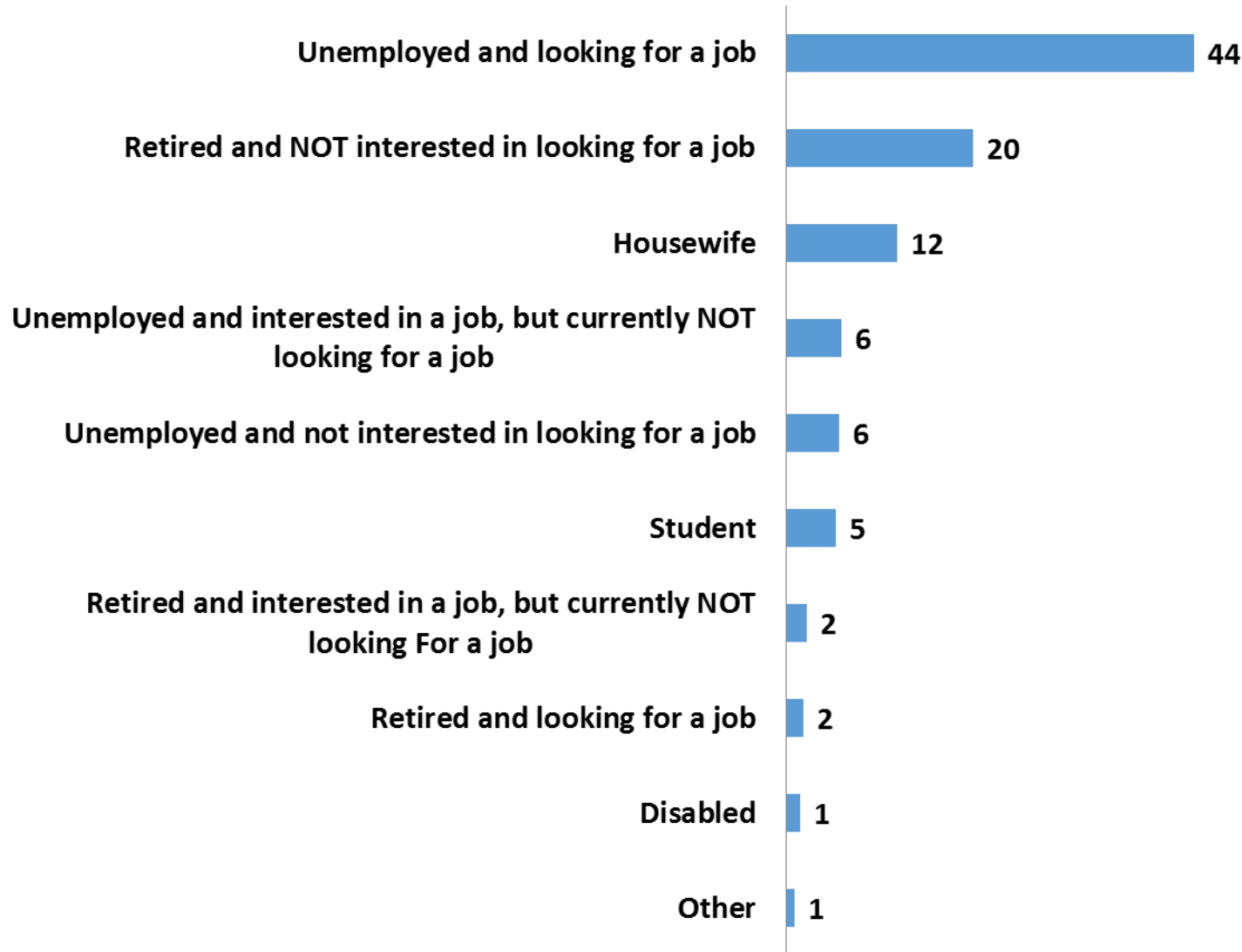
Do you consider yourself to be employed? (q90 X Age)

■ Yes

■ No



Which of the following best describes your situation? (q92) - of the 68% who are unemployed



Georgian Employment at a Glance

The illustration to the right shows these groups as follows:



32%--Employed (full or part time)



31%--Unemployed and looking for work (This includes both unemployed and retired persons who are looking for work.)



6%--Unemployed and not looking for work (This includes unemployed and retired persons who are interested in a job, but who are not looking.)



31%--Non-active labour force (This includes students, homemakers, retired persons who are not interested in looking for a job)



Generally, taking everything into account, since October 2012 you and your household are... (q9)

■ Better off ■ The same ■ Worse off ■ DK

June 2013

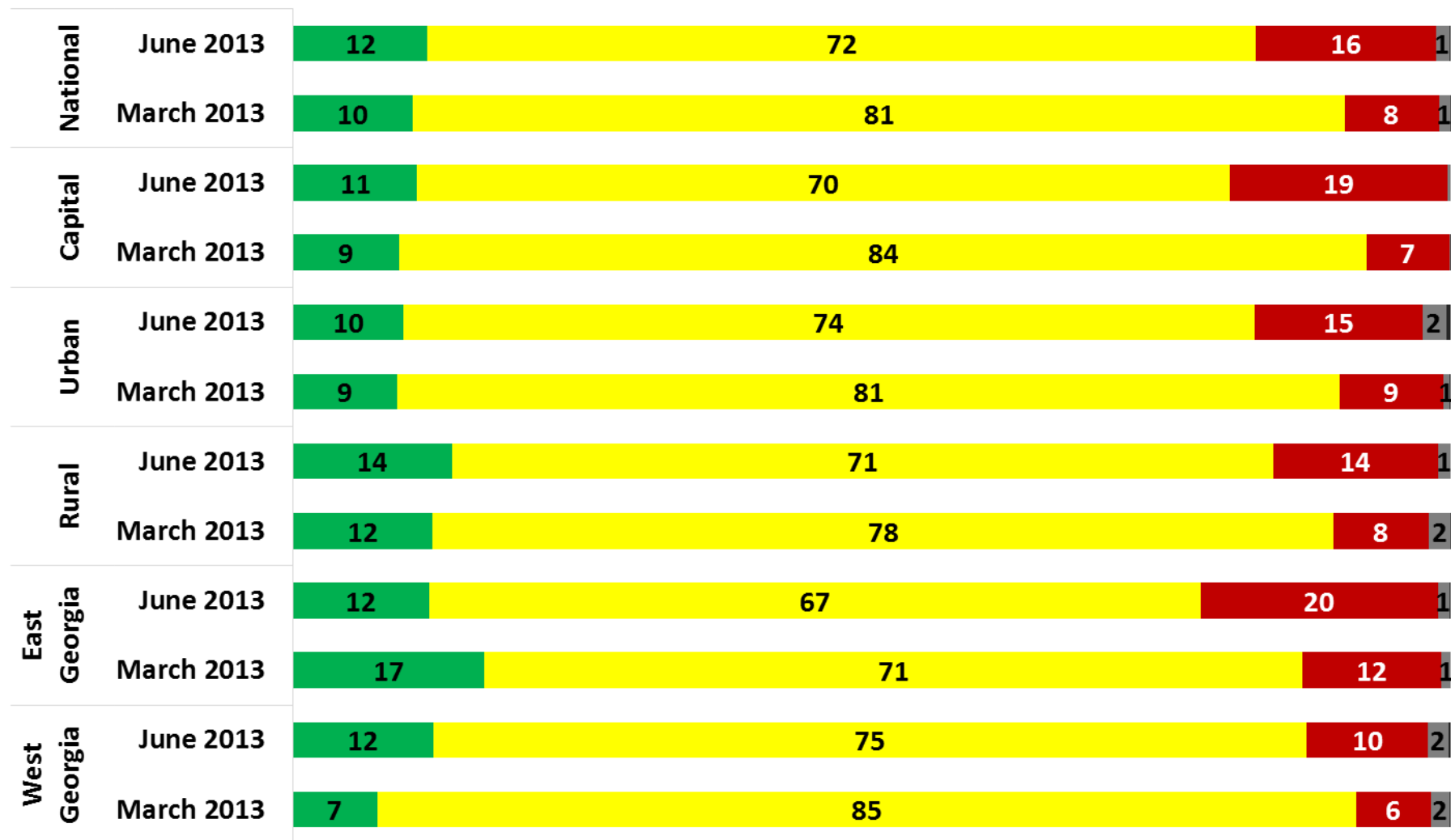


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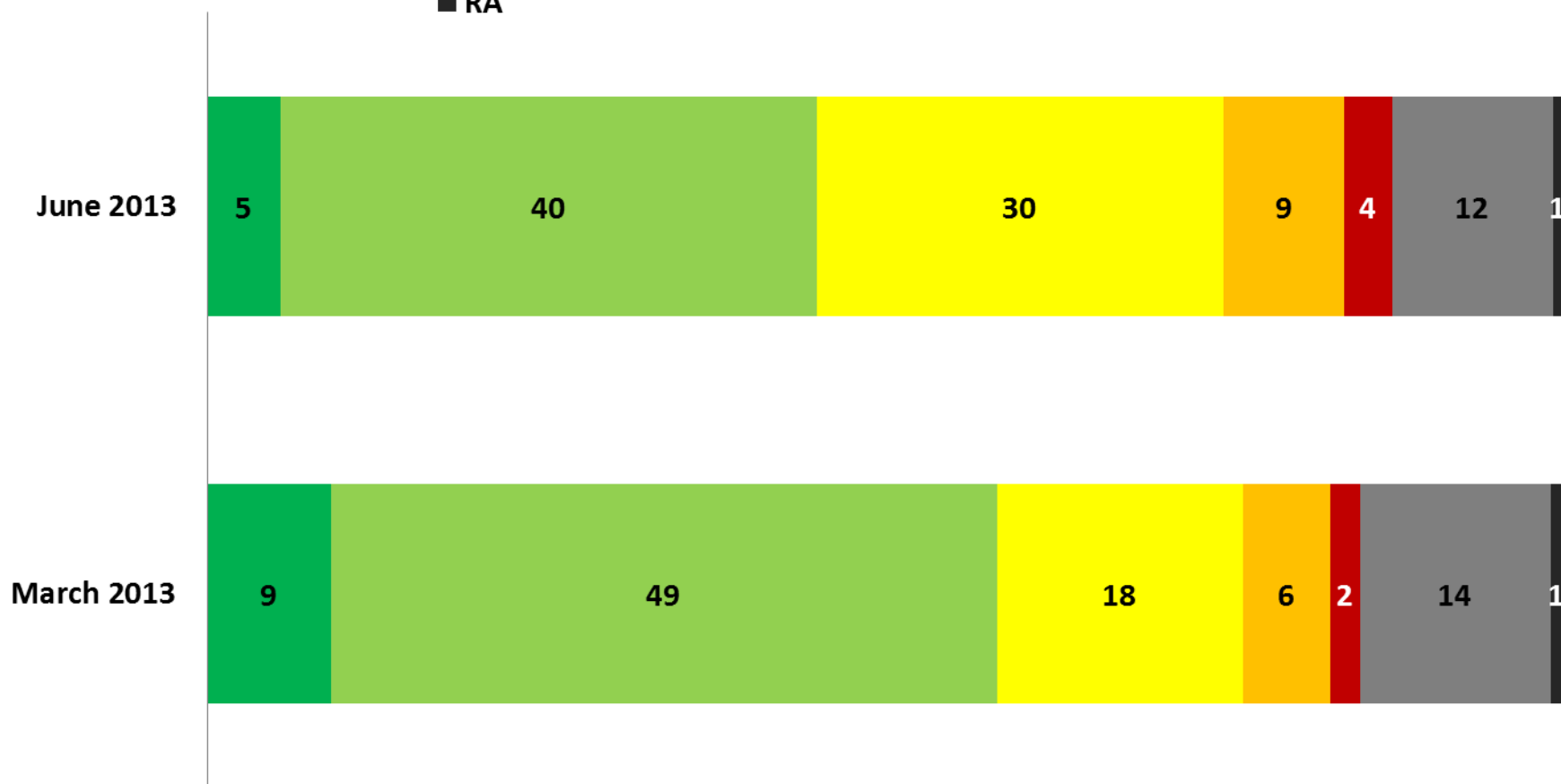
Generally, taking everything into account, since October 2012 you and your household are... (q9 X Settlement)

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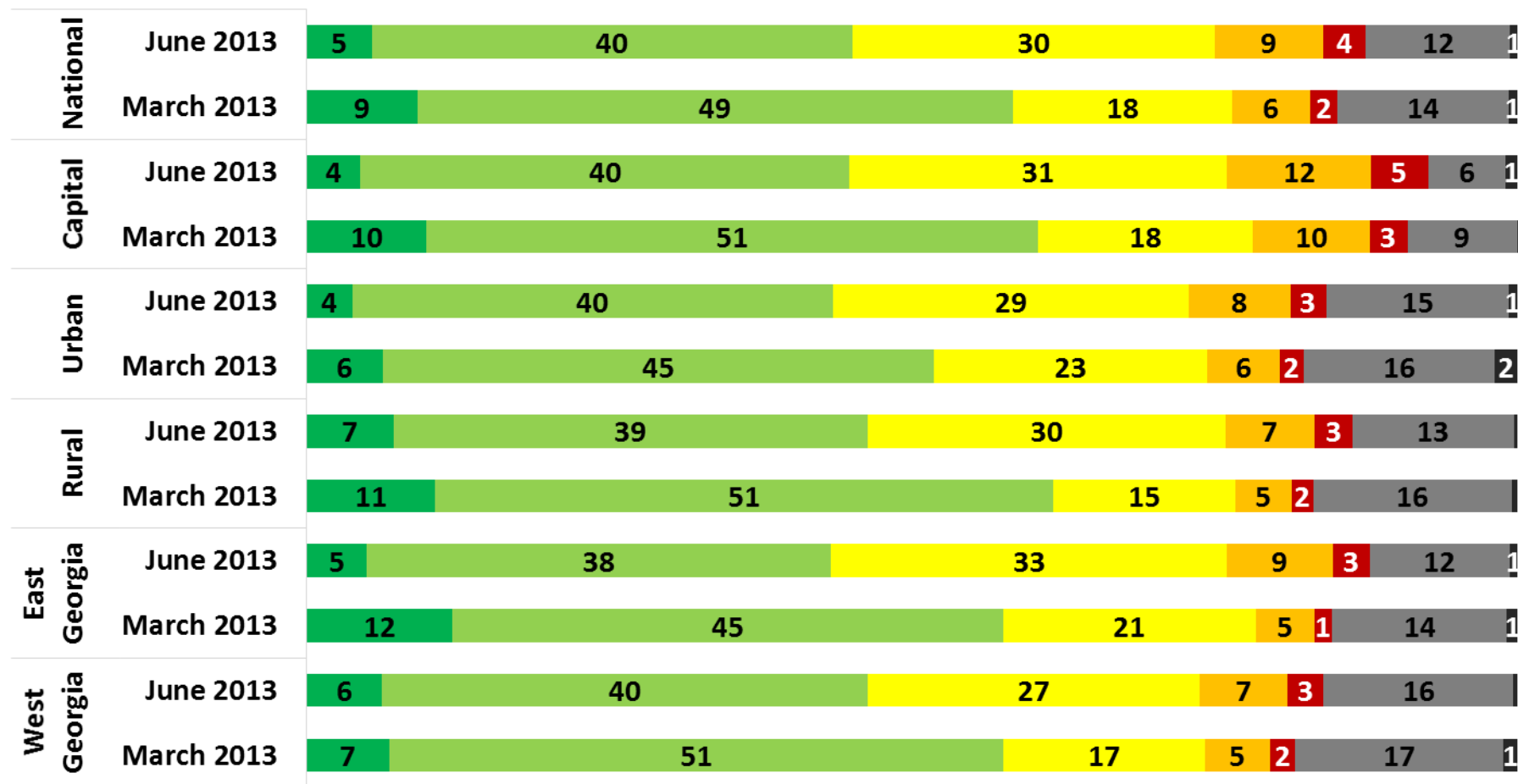
In which direction is Georgia going? (q10)

- Georgia is definitely going in the right direction
- Georgia is going mainly in the right direction
- Georgia is not changing at all
- Georgia is mainly going in the wrong direction
- Georgia is definitely going in the wrong direction
- DK
- RA



In which direction is Georgia going? (q10 X Settlement)

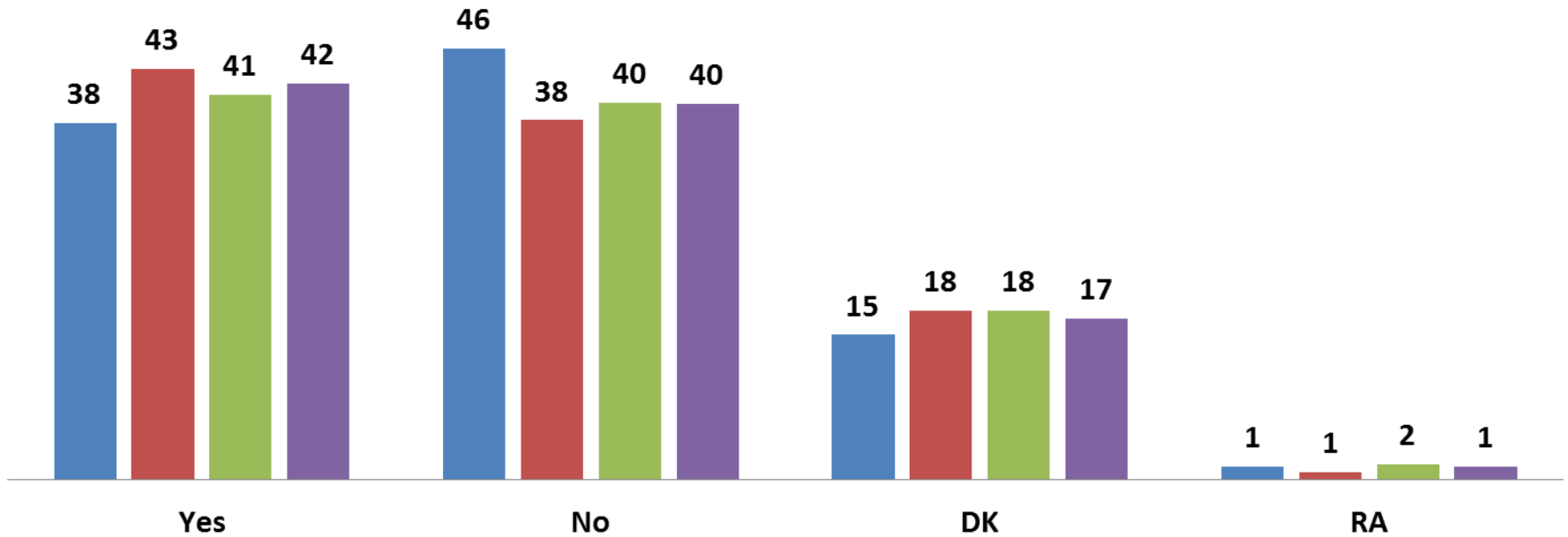
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Democracy, Reforms and Elections

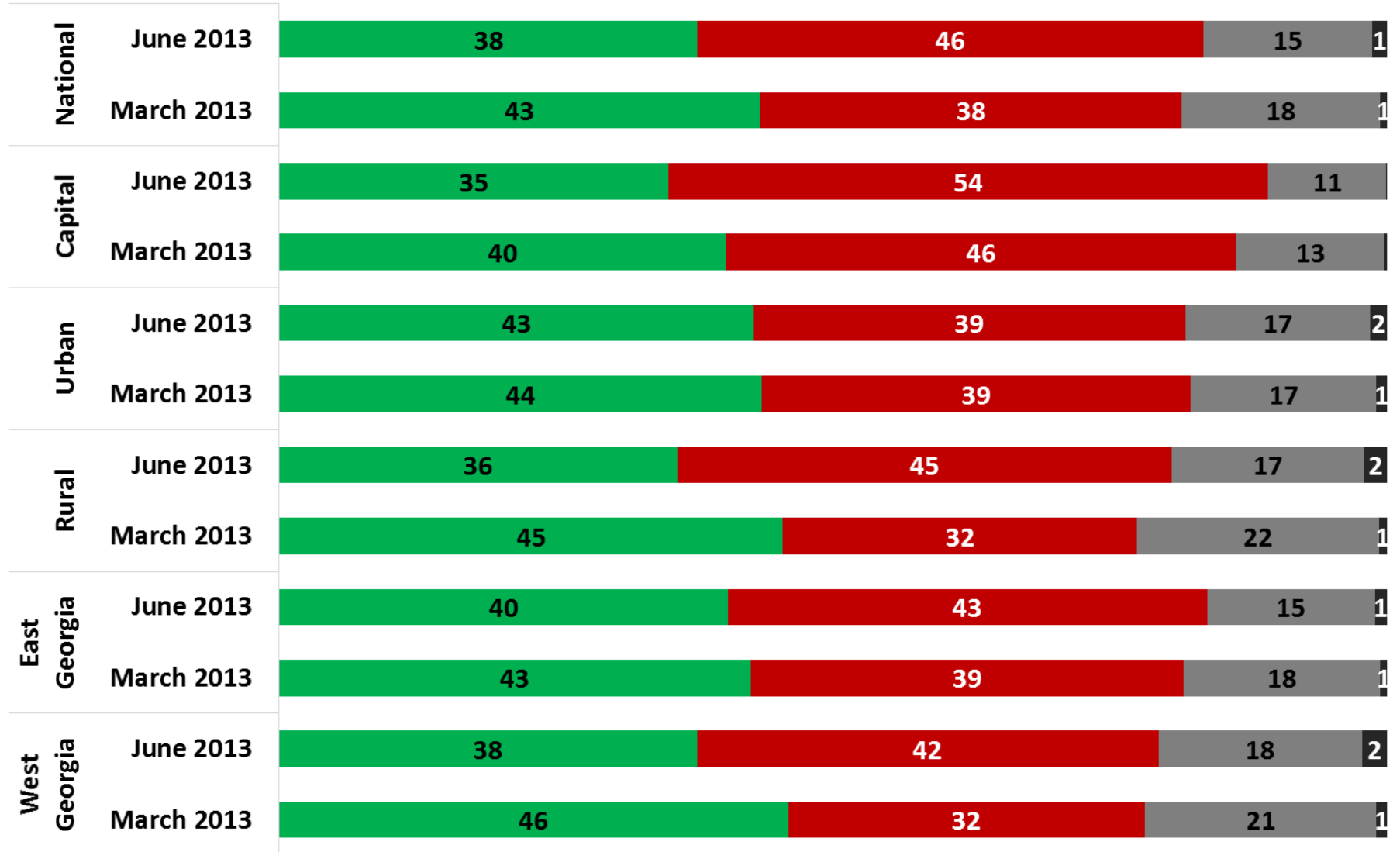
Is Georgia a democracy now? (q14)

■ June 2013 ■ March 2013 ■ November 2012 ■ August 2012



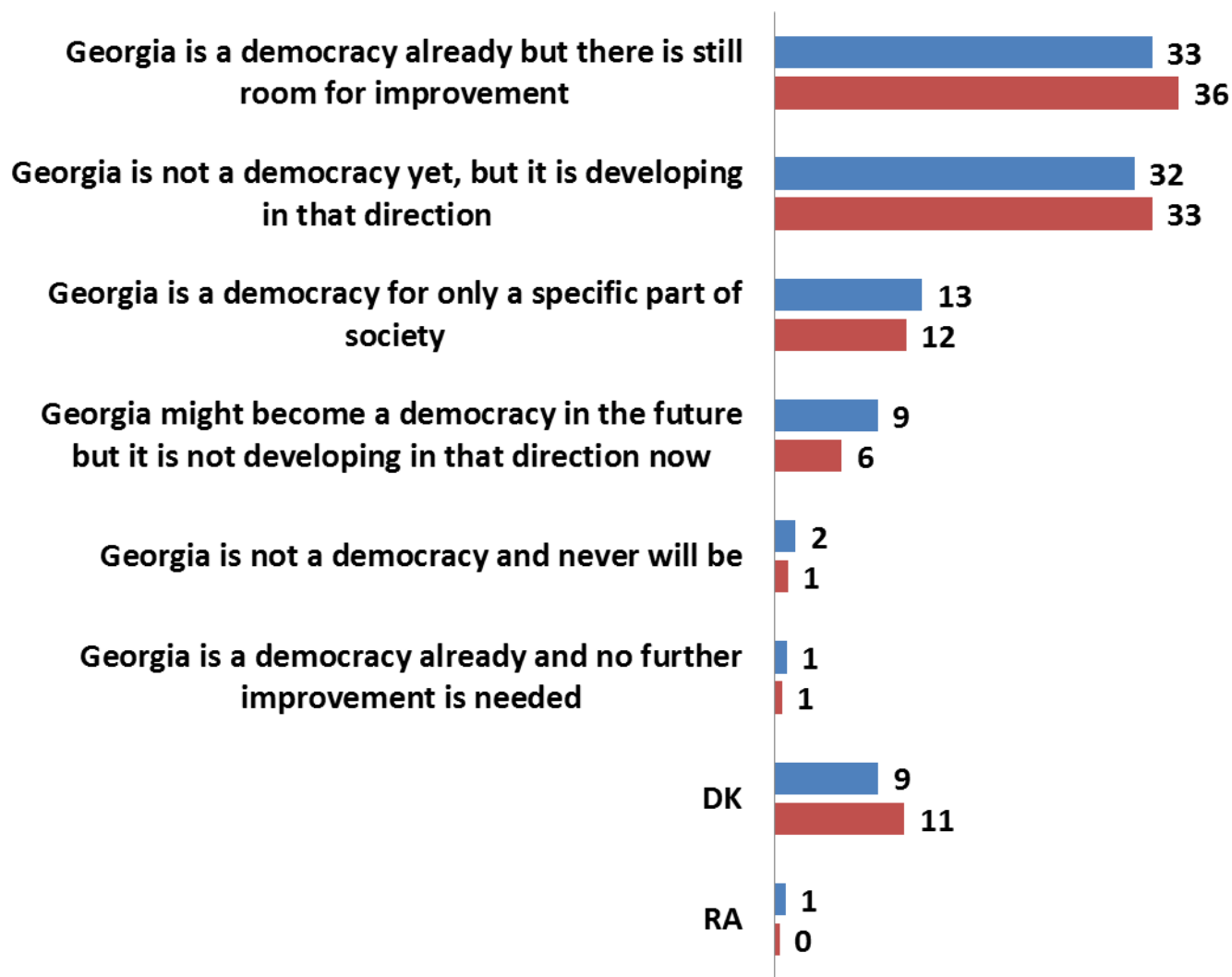
Is Georgia a democracy now? (q14 X Settlement)

Yes No DK RA

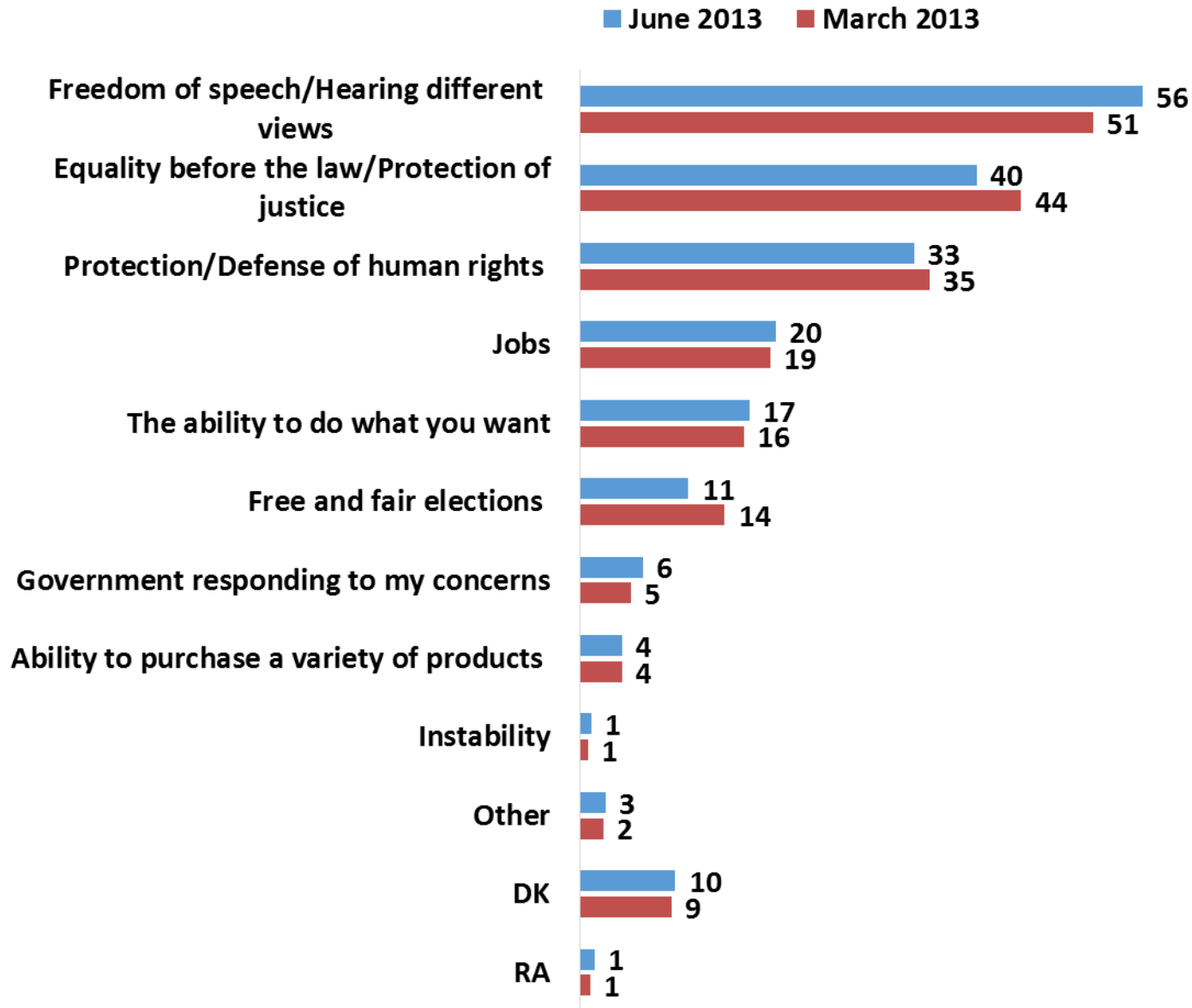


Which statement do you agree with the most? (q15)

■ June 2013 ■ March 2013



What does democracy mean to you? Name up to three (q13)



How important or unimportant is the protection of minority rights? (q19a,q19b)

Very important Important Neutral Not important Not important at all DK RA

...to Georgia's democratic development*



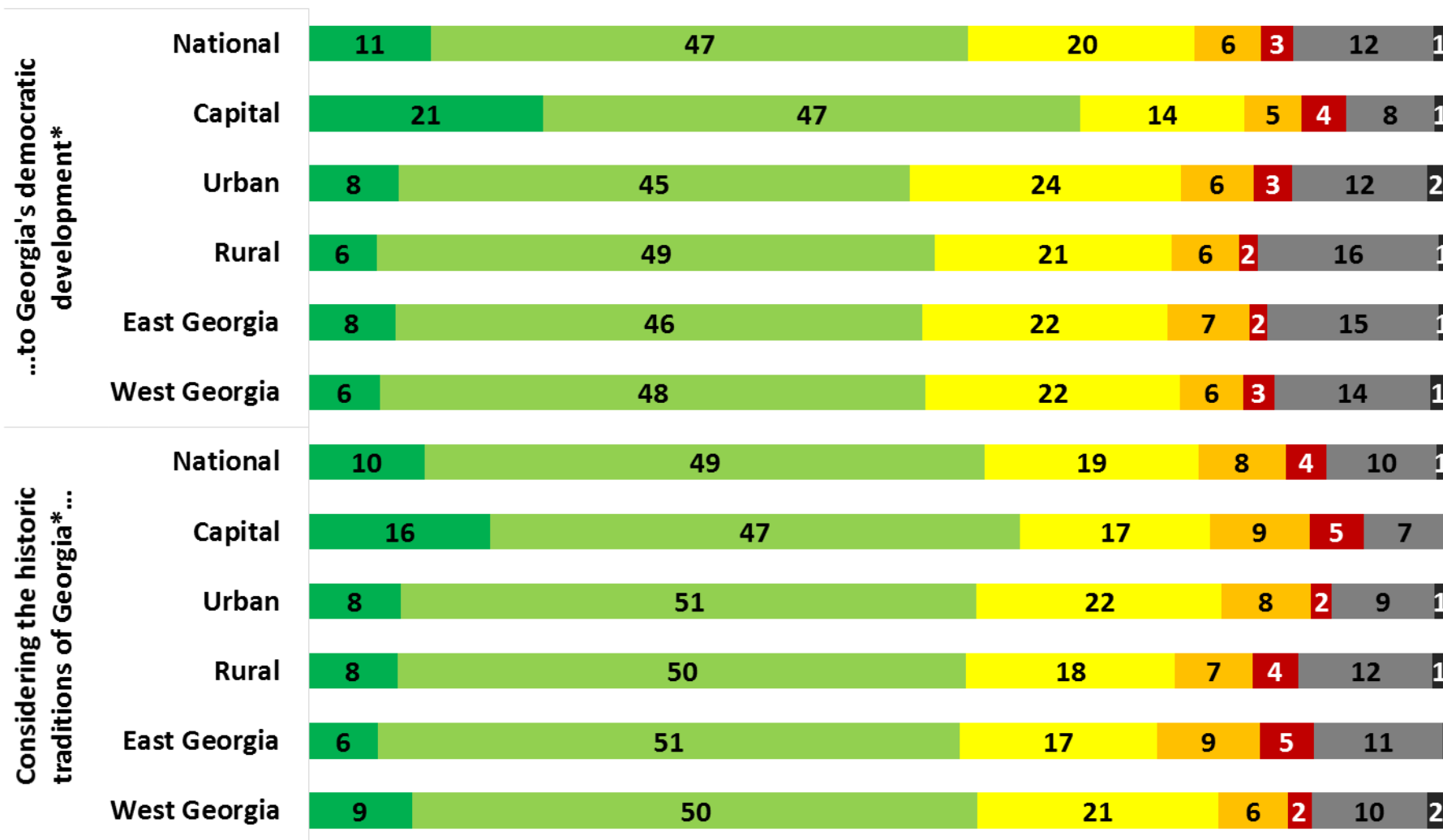
Considering the historic traditions of Georgia*...



*Asked of half of the respondents

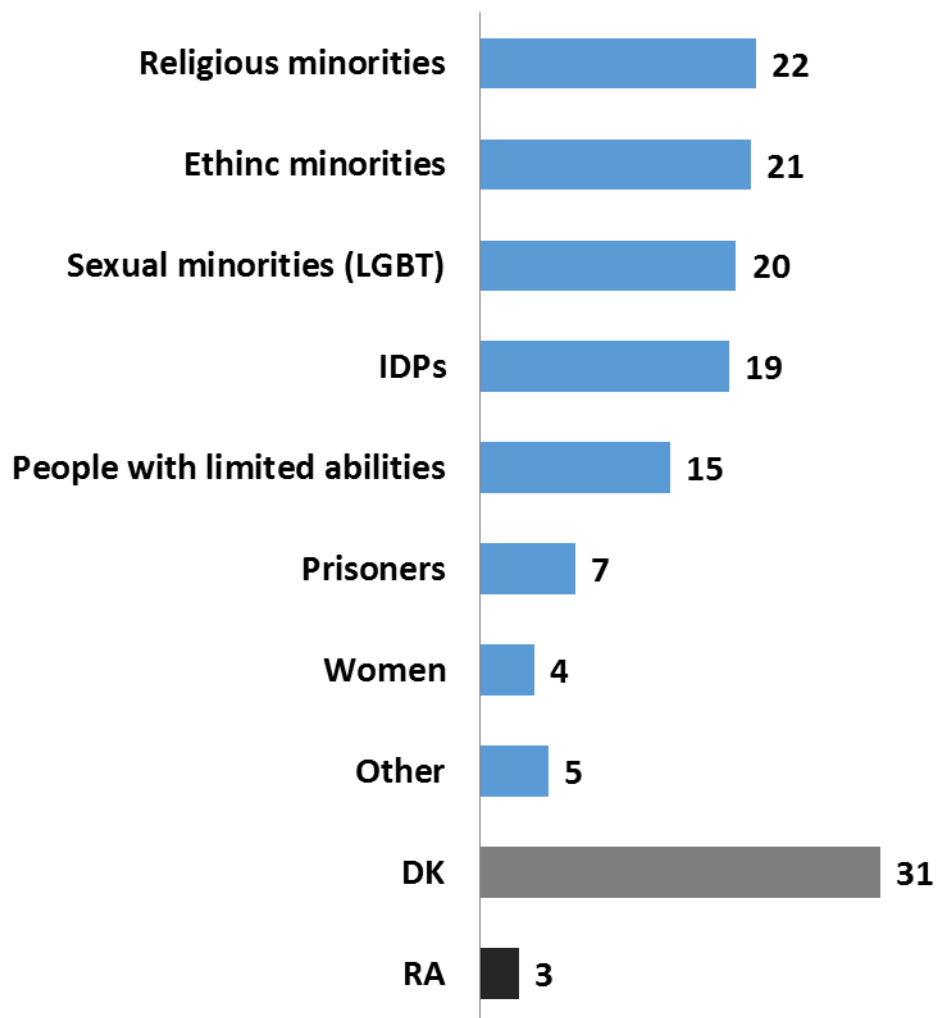
How important or unimportant is the protection of minority rights? (q19a/q19b X Settlement)

Very important Important Neutral Not important Not important at all DK RA



*Asked of half of the respondents

When you think of minority groups, which groups come to mind first? Name up to three (q20)



How important or unimportant is the protection of rights of the following minority groups? (q21)

Very important Important Neutral Not important Not important at all DK RA

Religious minorities



Ethnic minorities



Sexual minorities (LGBT)



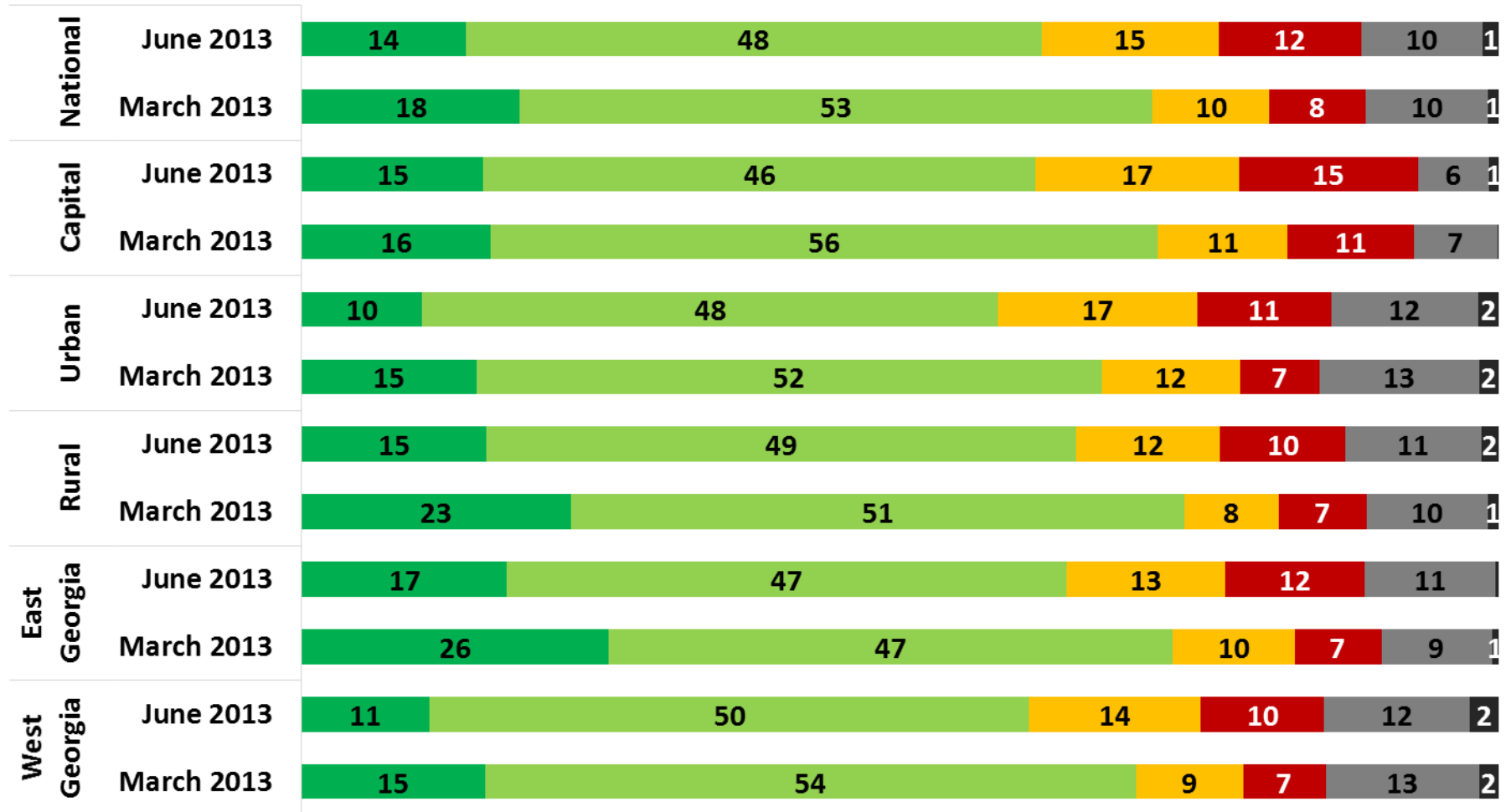
To what extent do you agree or disagree that the current government is making the changes that matter to you? (q11)

■ Completely agree ■ Somewhat agree ■ Somewhat disagree ■ Completely disagree ■ DK ■ RA



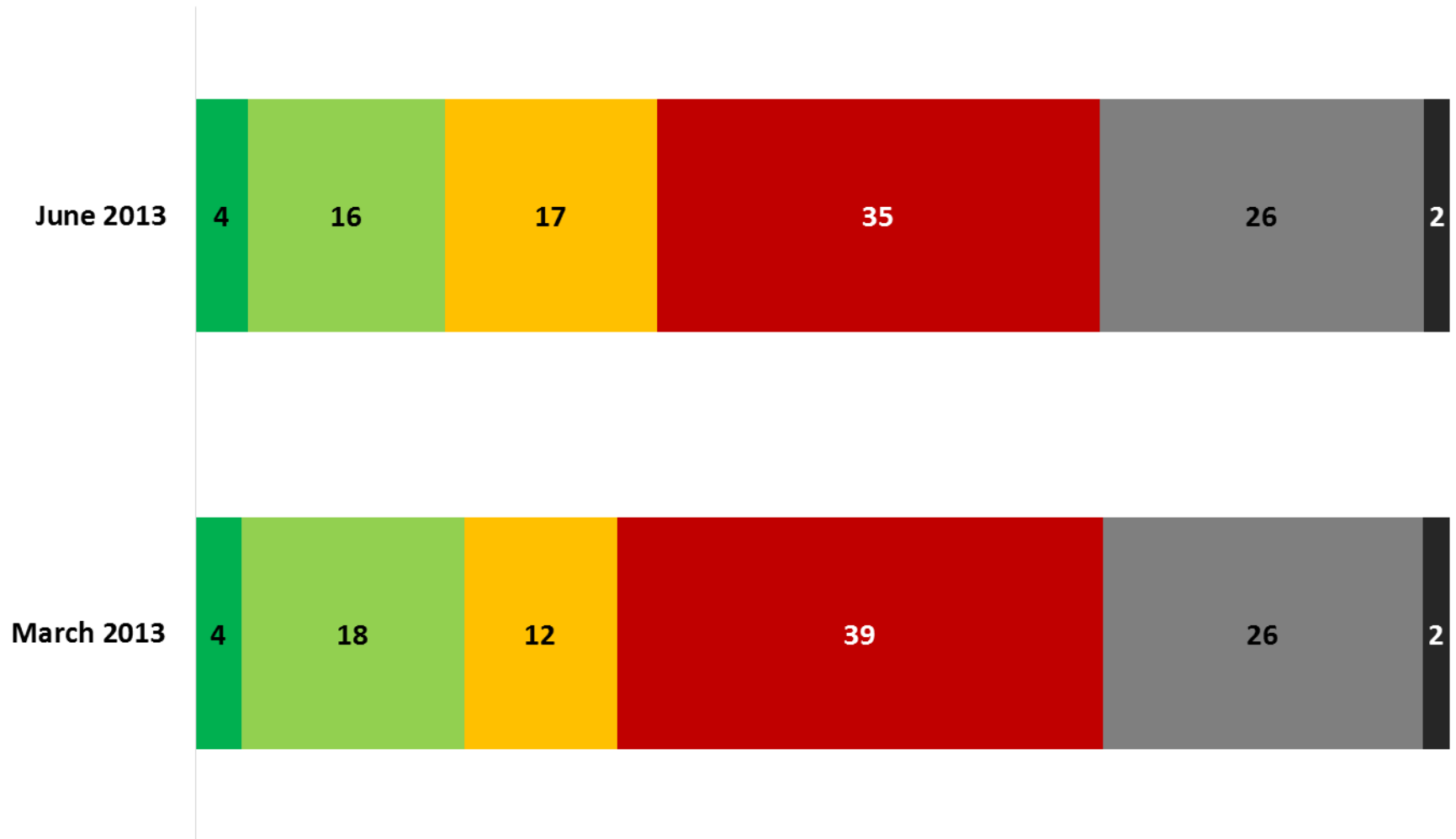
To what extent do you agree or disagree that the current government is making the changes that matter to you? (q11 X Settlement)

■ Completely agree
 ■ Somewhat agree
 ■ Somewhat disagree
 ■ Completely disagree
 ■ DK
 ■ RA



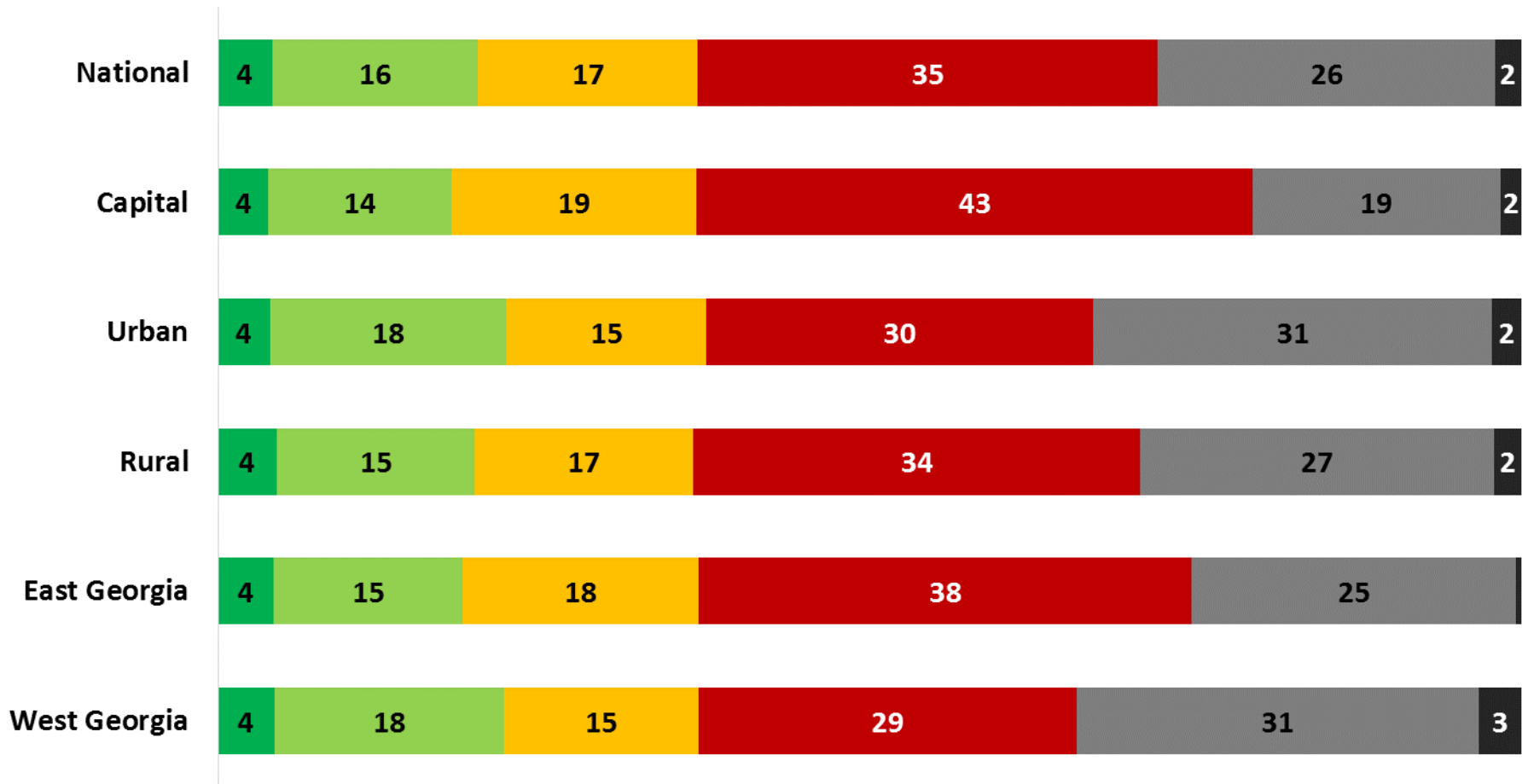
**To what extent do you agree or disagree that if the
Parliamentary opposition was in charge they would make the
changes that matter to you? (q12)**

■ Completely agree ■ Somewhat agree ■ Somewhat disagree ■ Completely disagree ■ DK ■ RA



**To what extent do you agree or disagree that if the
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changes that matter to you? (q12 X Settlement)**

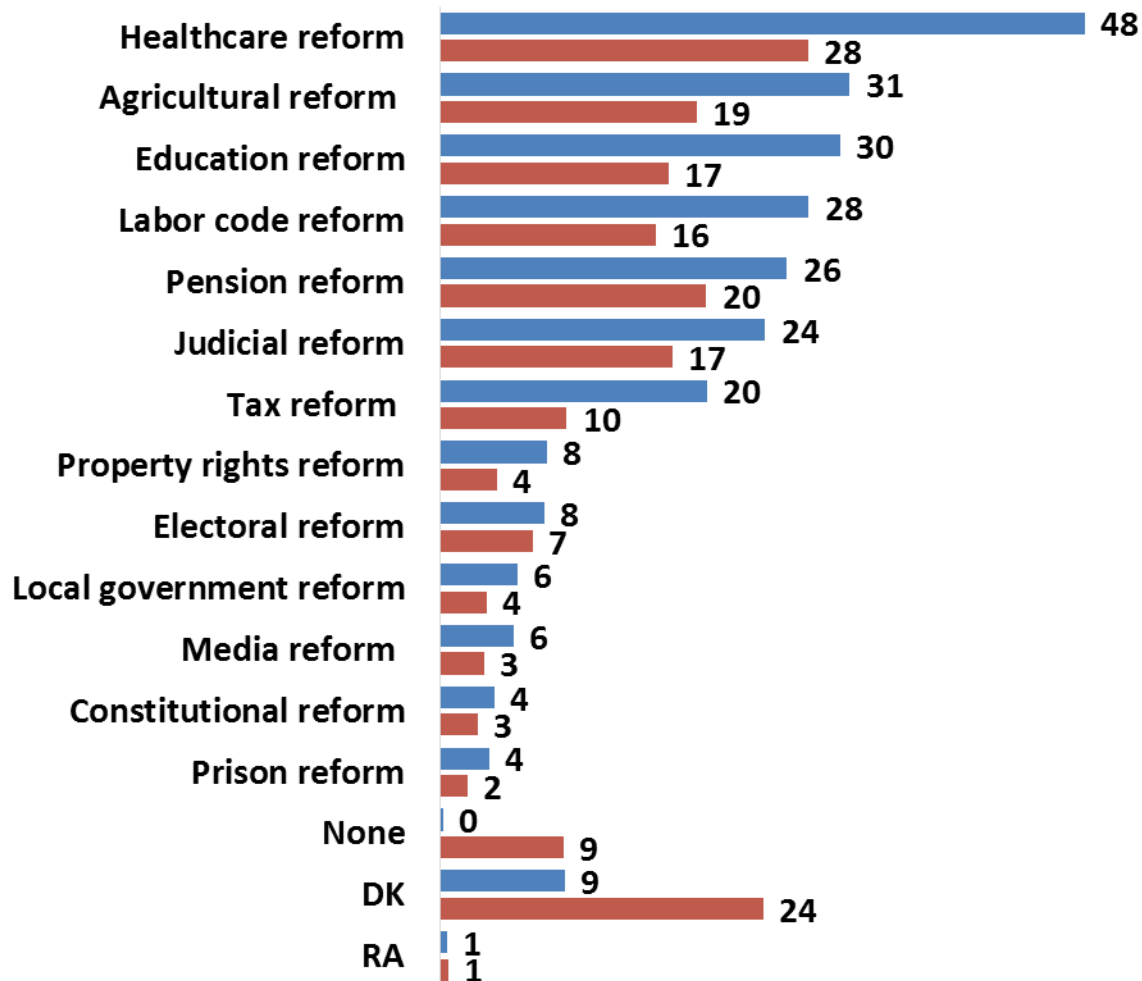
■ Completely agree ■ Somewhat agree ■ Somewhat disagree ■ Completely disagree ■ DK ■ RA



Which three reforms do you think would be most important for Georgia / Which do you expect to see achieved in the next six months? Name up to three (q7/8)

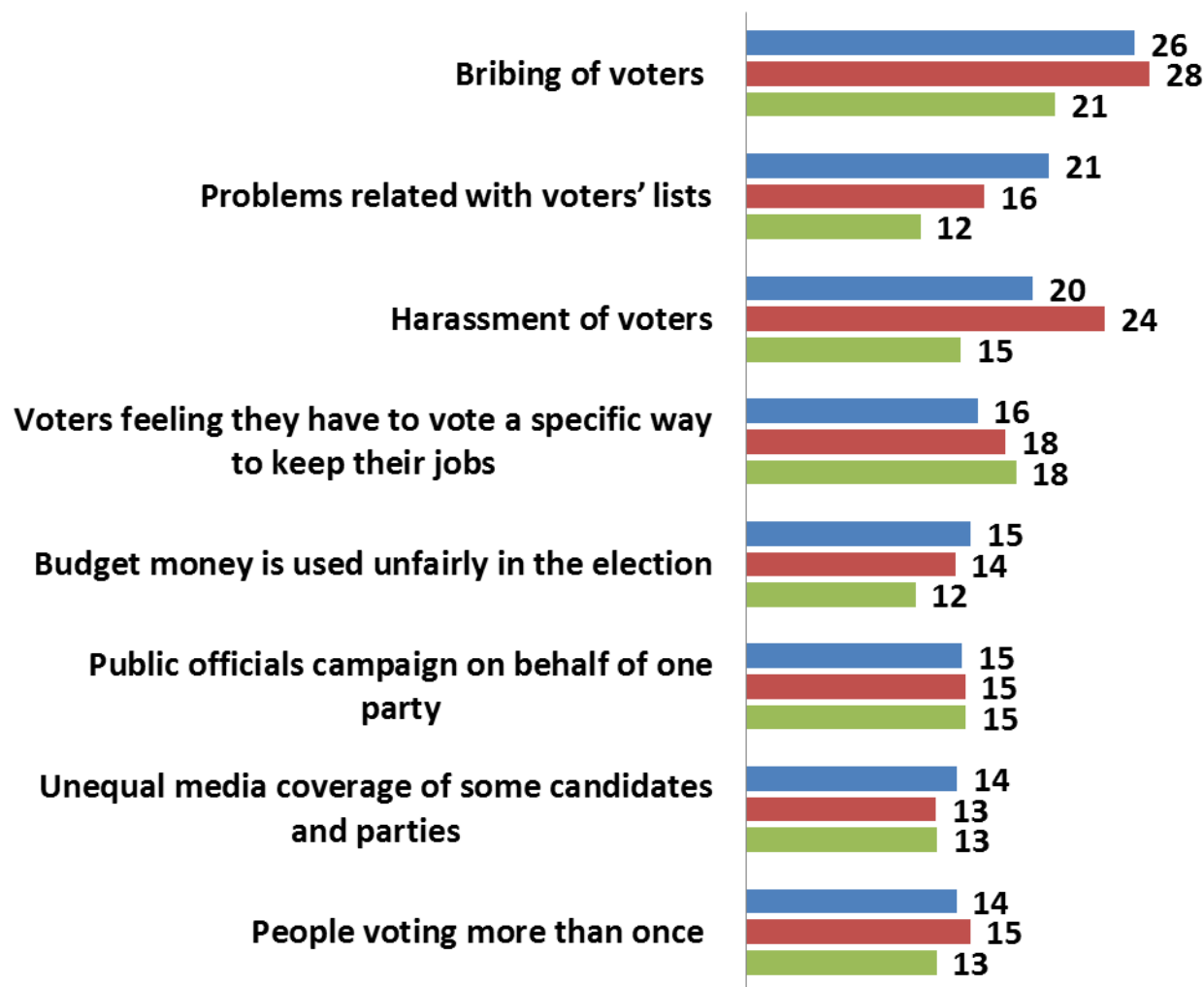
■ Would be most important for Georgia

■ Expect to see achieved in the next six months



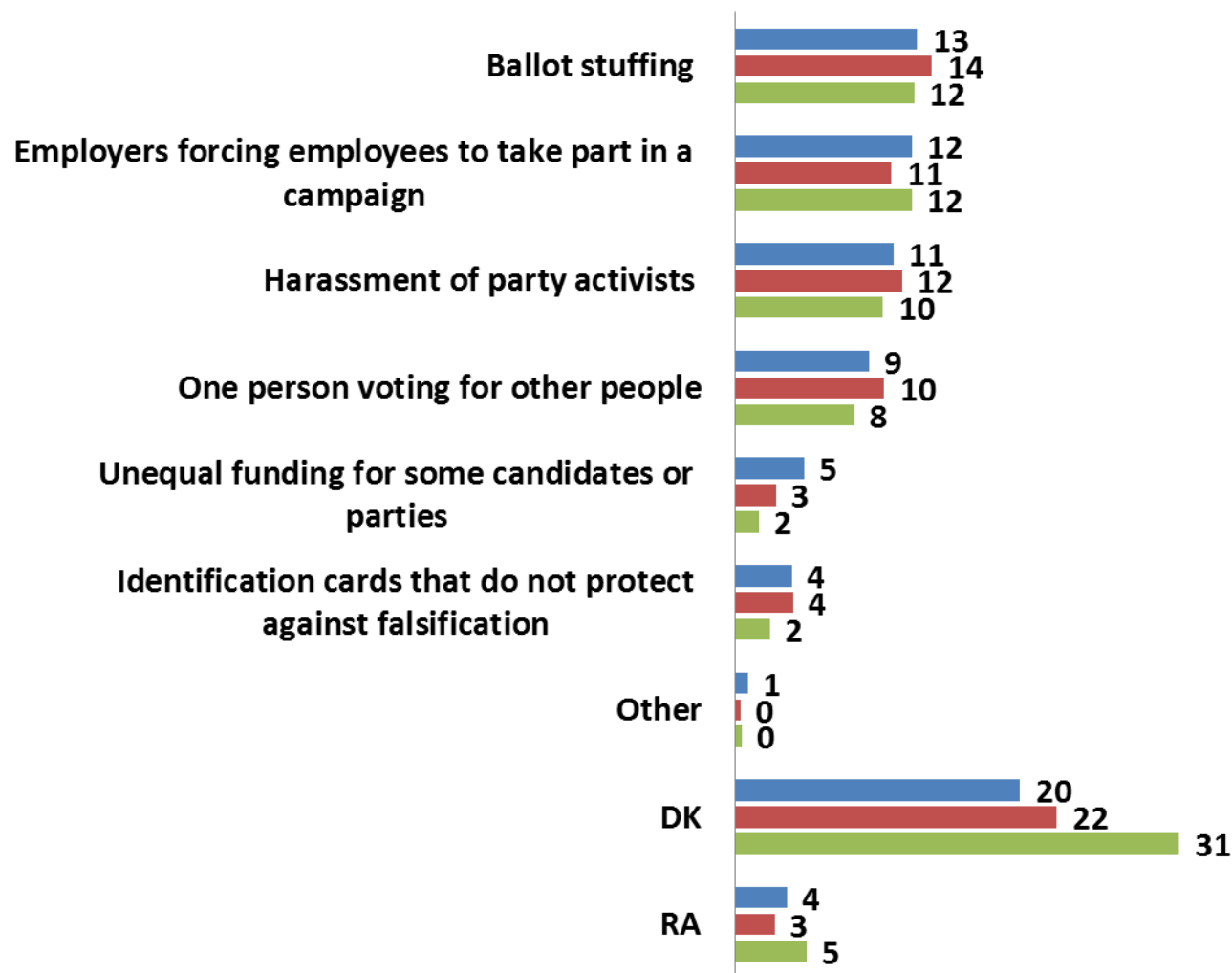
What do you think are the three biggest barriers to free and fair elections in Georgia? Name up to three (q18) Part 1

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What do you think are the three biggest barriers to free and fair elections in Georgia? Name up to three (q18) Part 2

■ June 2013 ■ March 2013 ■ November 2012

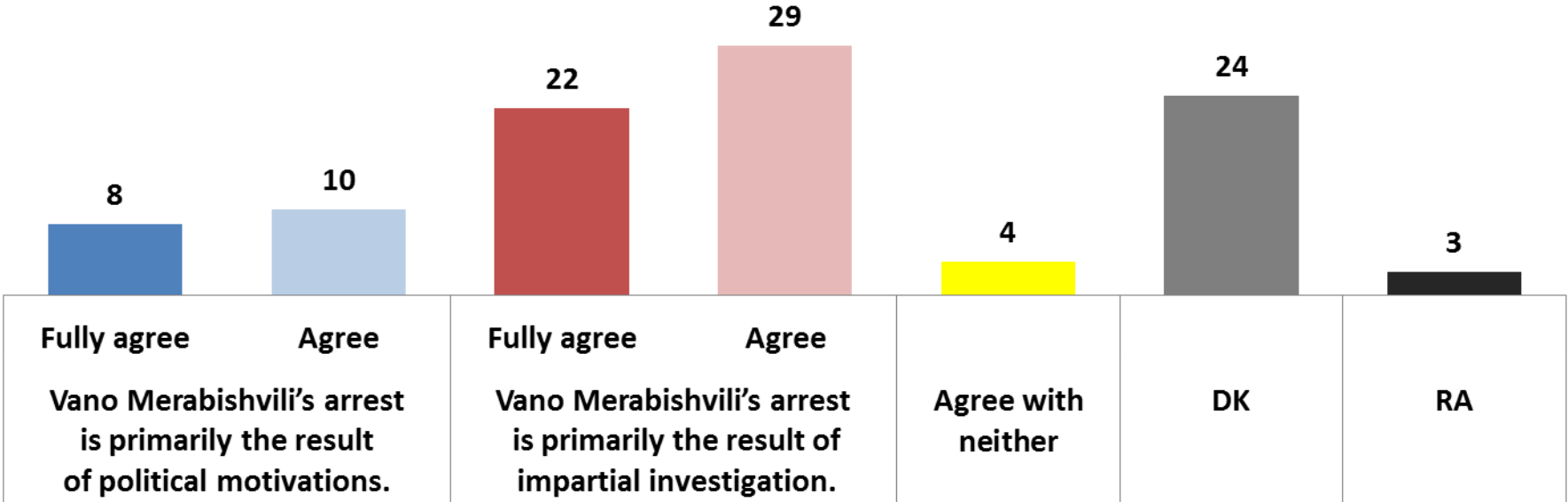


Current Events

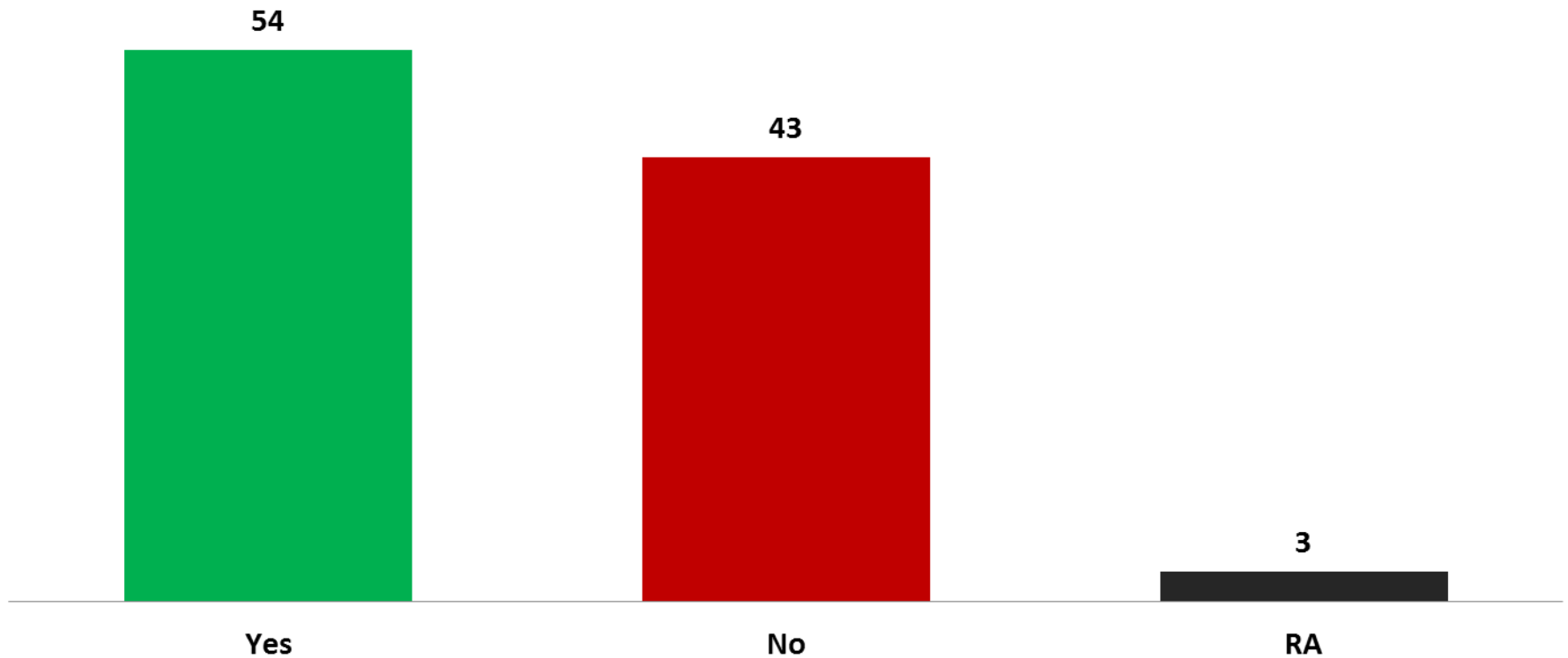
Vano Marabishvili has been arrested. Were you aware of this? (q71 X Settlement)



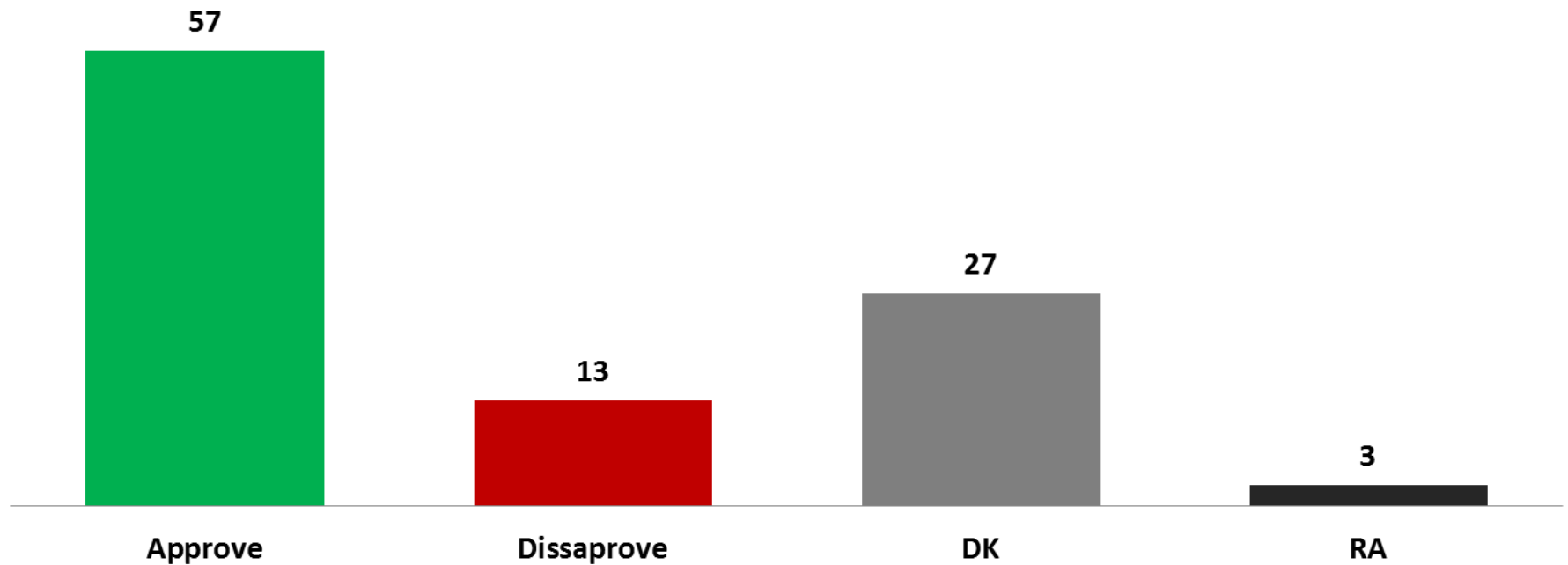
Which of the following two statements do you agree with? (q72)



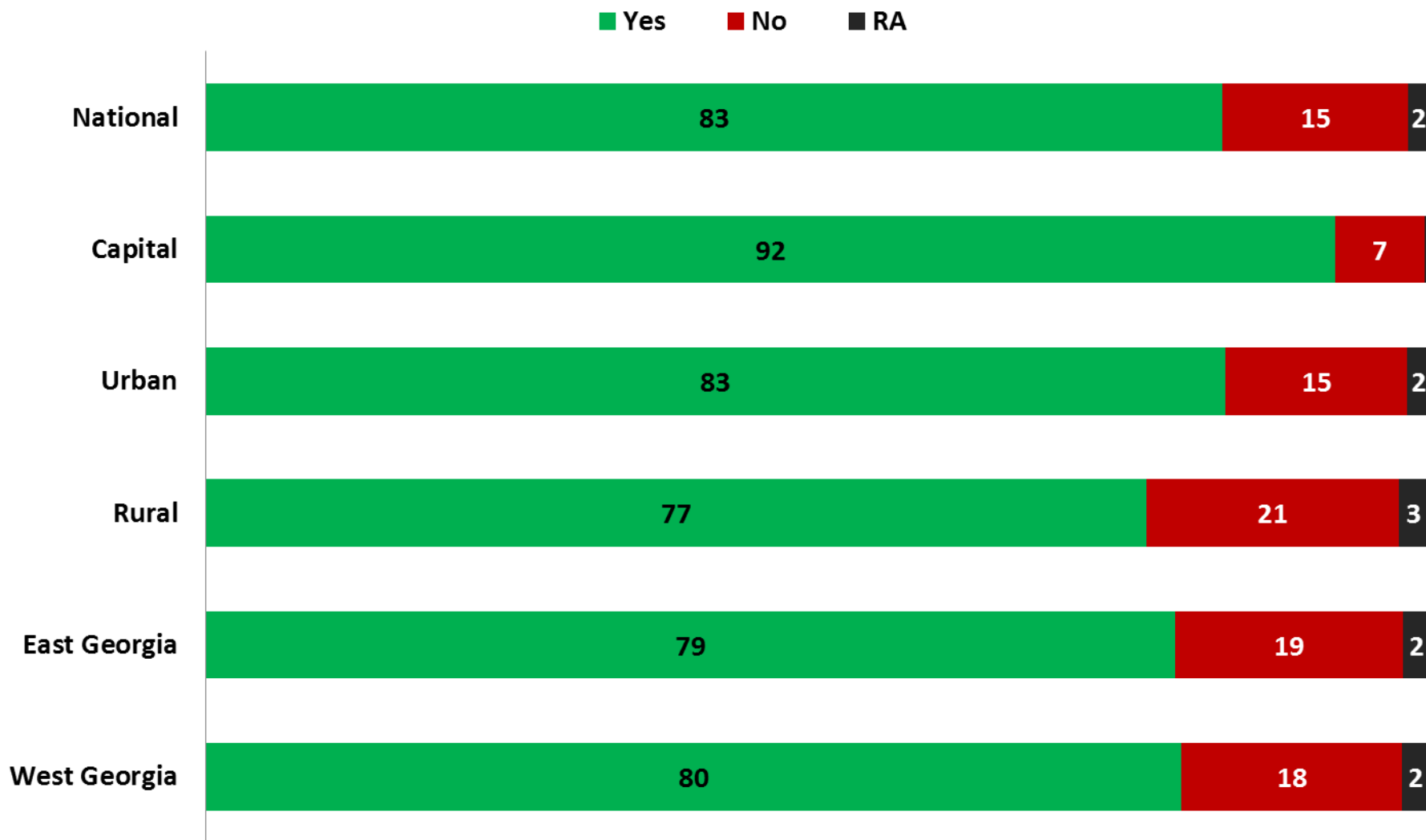
**The constitution guarantees the right to assembly.
Were you aware of this? (q73)**



Do you approve or disapprove of the right to assembly? (q74)



**On May 17, a demonstration was organized to protest discrimination against sexual minorities. Were you aware of this?
(q75 X Settlement)**



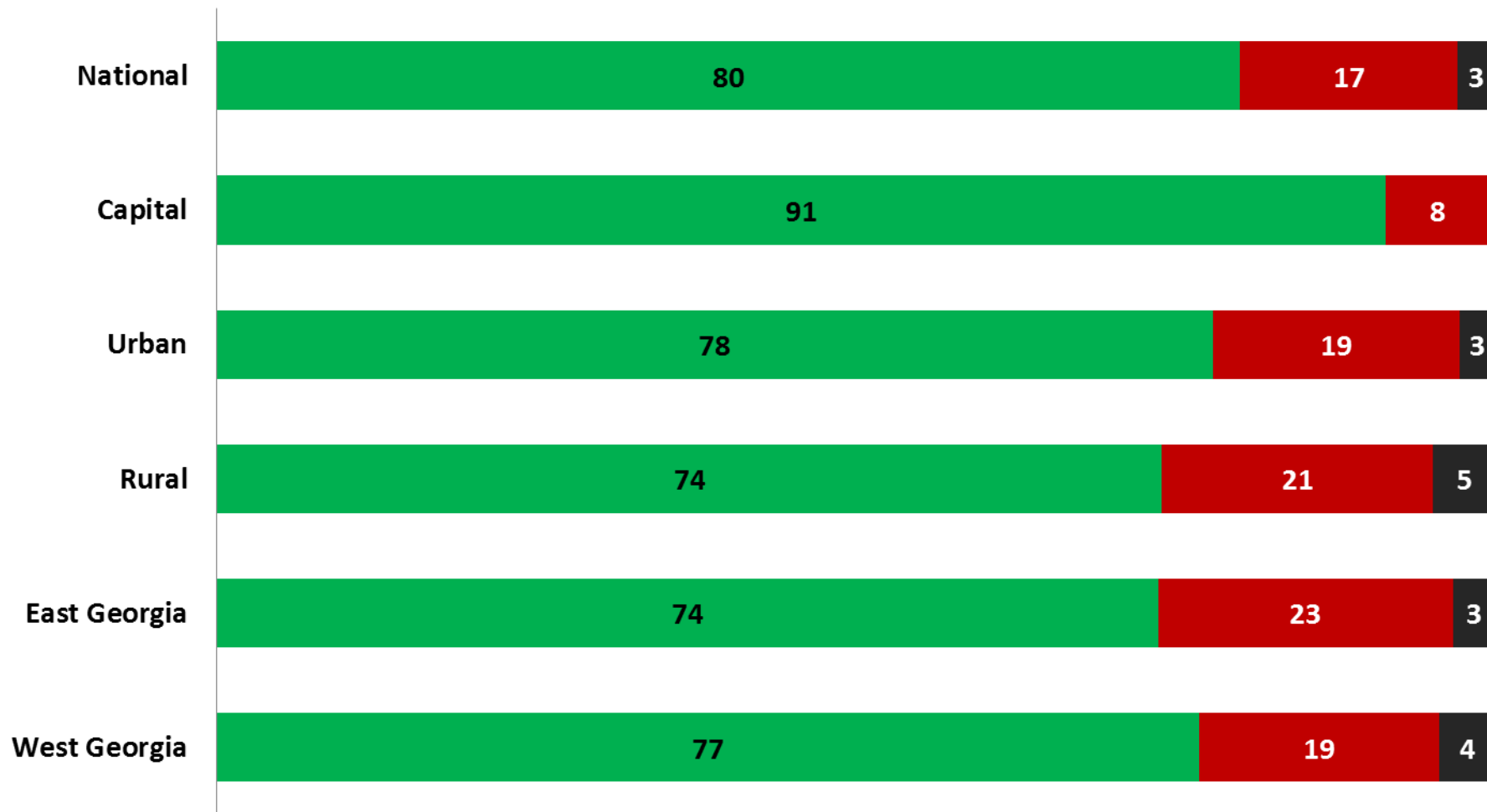
Do you approve or disapprove of this demonstration? (q76 X Settlement)

■ Approve ■ Disapprove ■ DK ■ RA



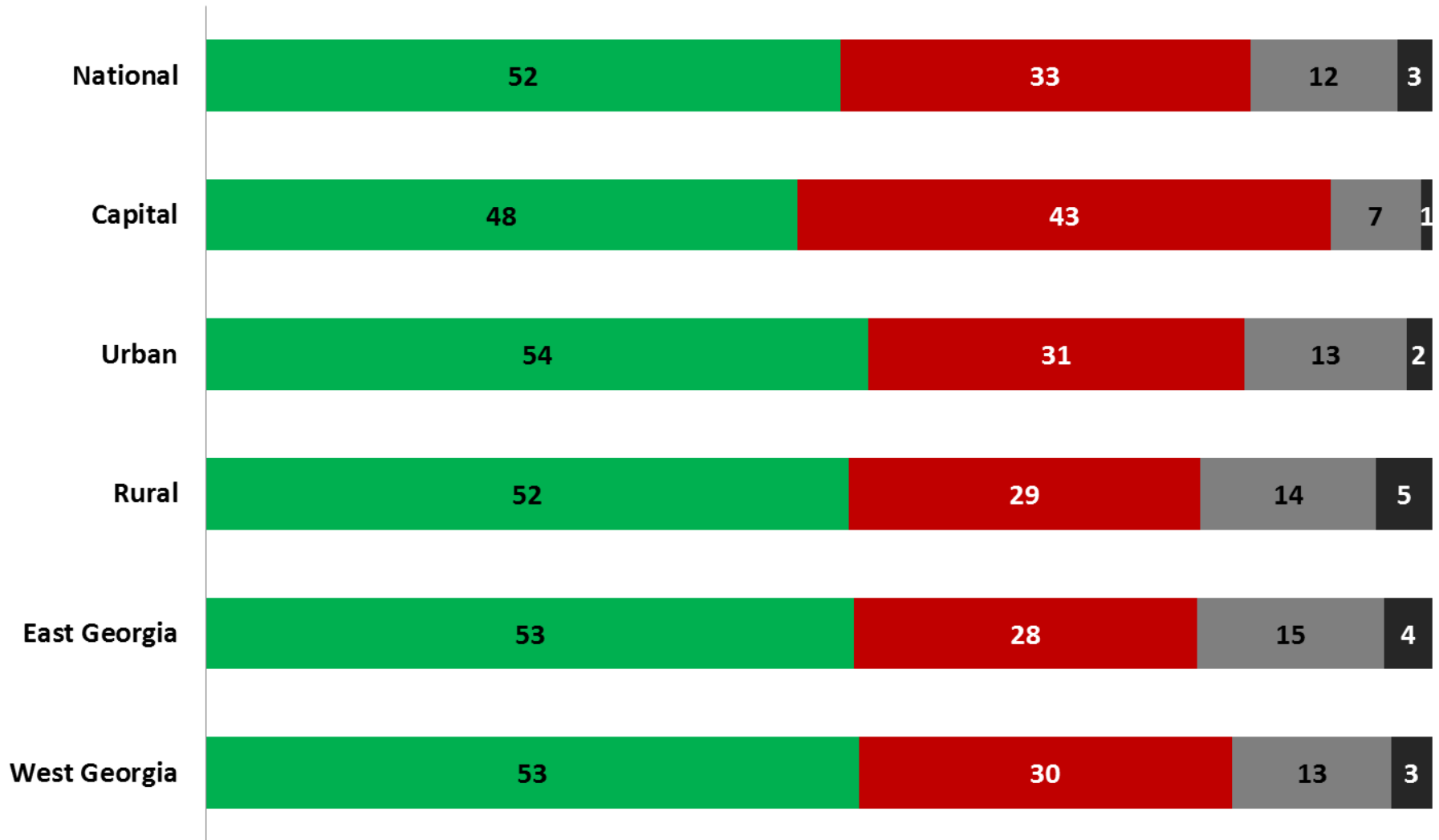
On May 17, a counter demonstration was organized against the rally supporting the rights of sexual minorities. Were you aware of this? (q77 X Settlement)

■ Yes ■ No ■ RA

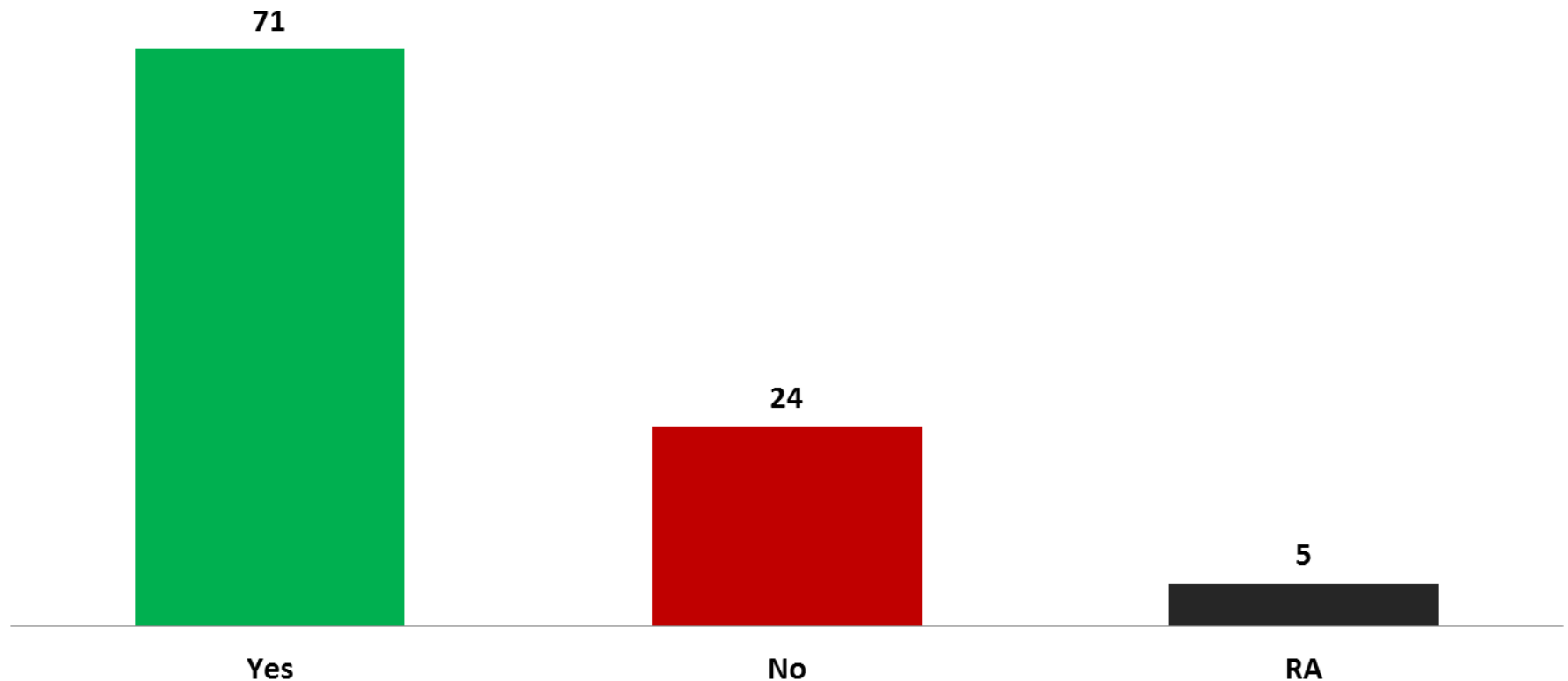


Do you approve or disapprove of this counter demonstration? (q78 X Settlement)

■ Approve ■ Disapprove ■ DK ■ RA

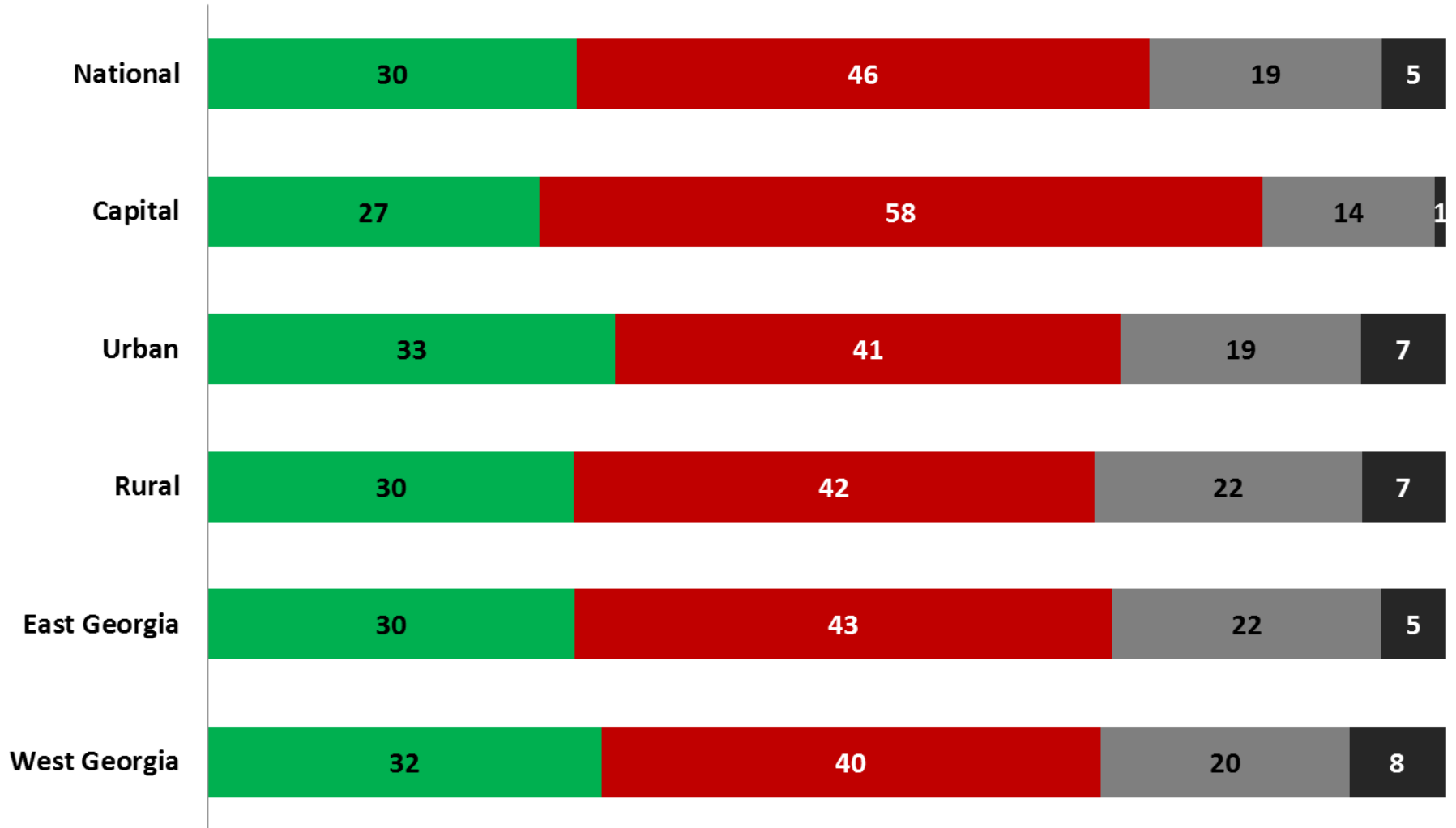


Videos from May 17 show members of the counter demonstration breaking through police barriers separating the two groups. Were you aware of members of counter demonstration breaking through police barriers? (q79)

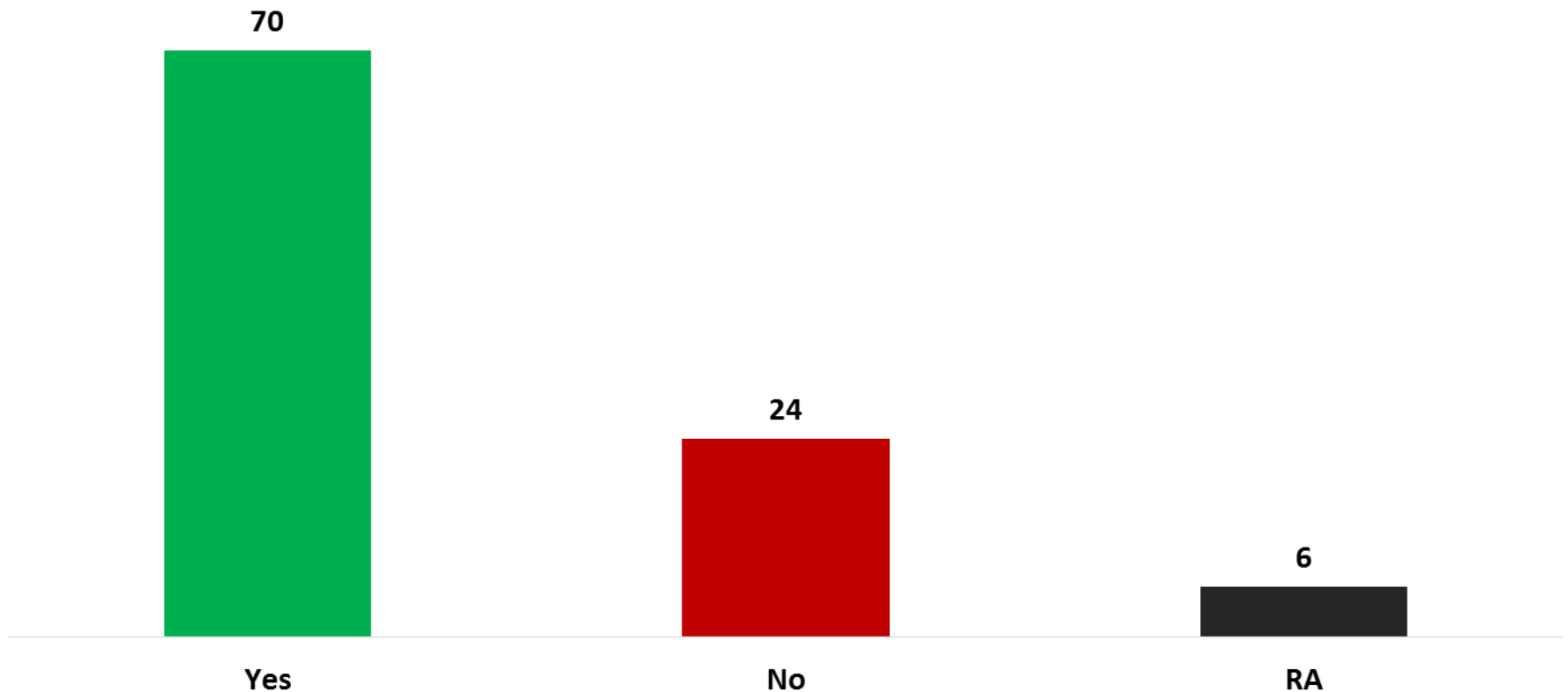


Do you approve or disapprove of the actions taken by the counter demonstrators? (q80 X Settlement)

■ Approve ■ Disapprove ■ DK ■ RA



Videos from May 17 show members of the counter demonstration carrying out actions against supporters of sexual minorities which resulted in the destroying of private property and the injuring of police officers and demonstrators. Were you aware of these actions? (q81)



Do you approve or disapprove of these actions against the supporters of sexual minorities? (q82 X Settlement)

■ Approve ■ Disapprove ■ DK ■ RA



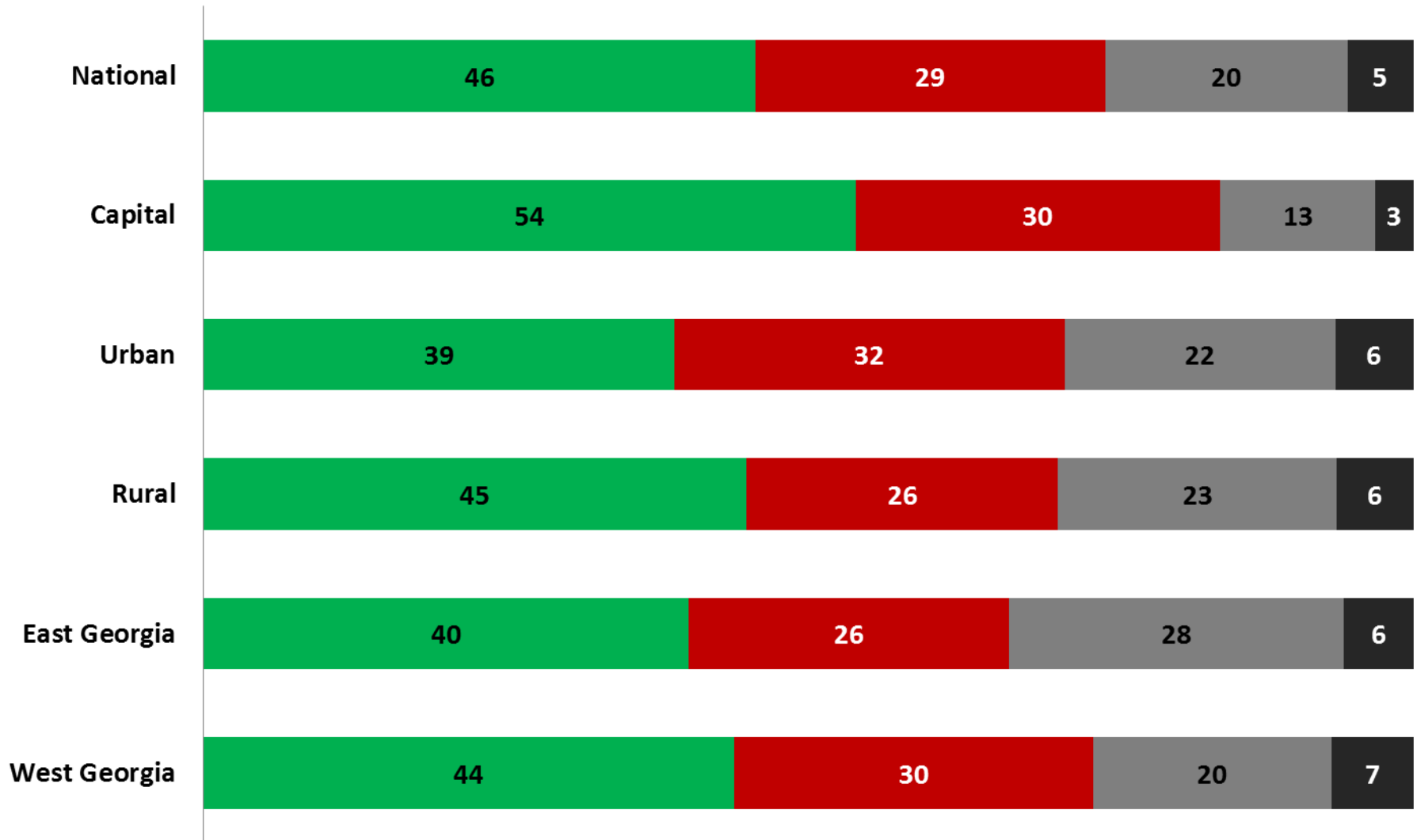
**In response to these actions, MIA and the prosecutors' office have opened up investigations against members of the counter demonstration, including priests. Were you aware of this?
(q83 X Settlement)**

■ Yes ■ No ■ RA



Do you approve or disapprove of the government investigation of these actions? (q84 X Settlement)

■ Approve ■ Disapprove ■ DK ■ RA



**Do you think that all people, including priests, who committed actions against supporters of sexual minorities deemed unlawful by authorities, should be held legally accountable?
(q87 X Settlement)**



**Do you personally know someone who you believe was fired
from a state/public job because of their political beliefs
since October 2012? (q68)**

■ Yes ■ No ■ DK ■ RA

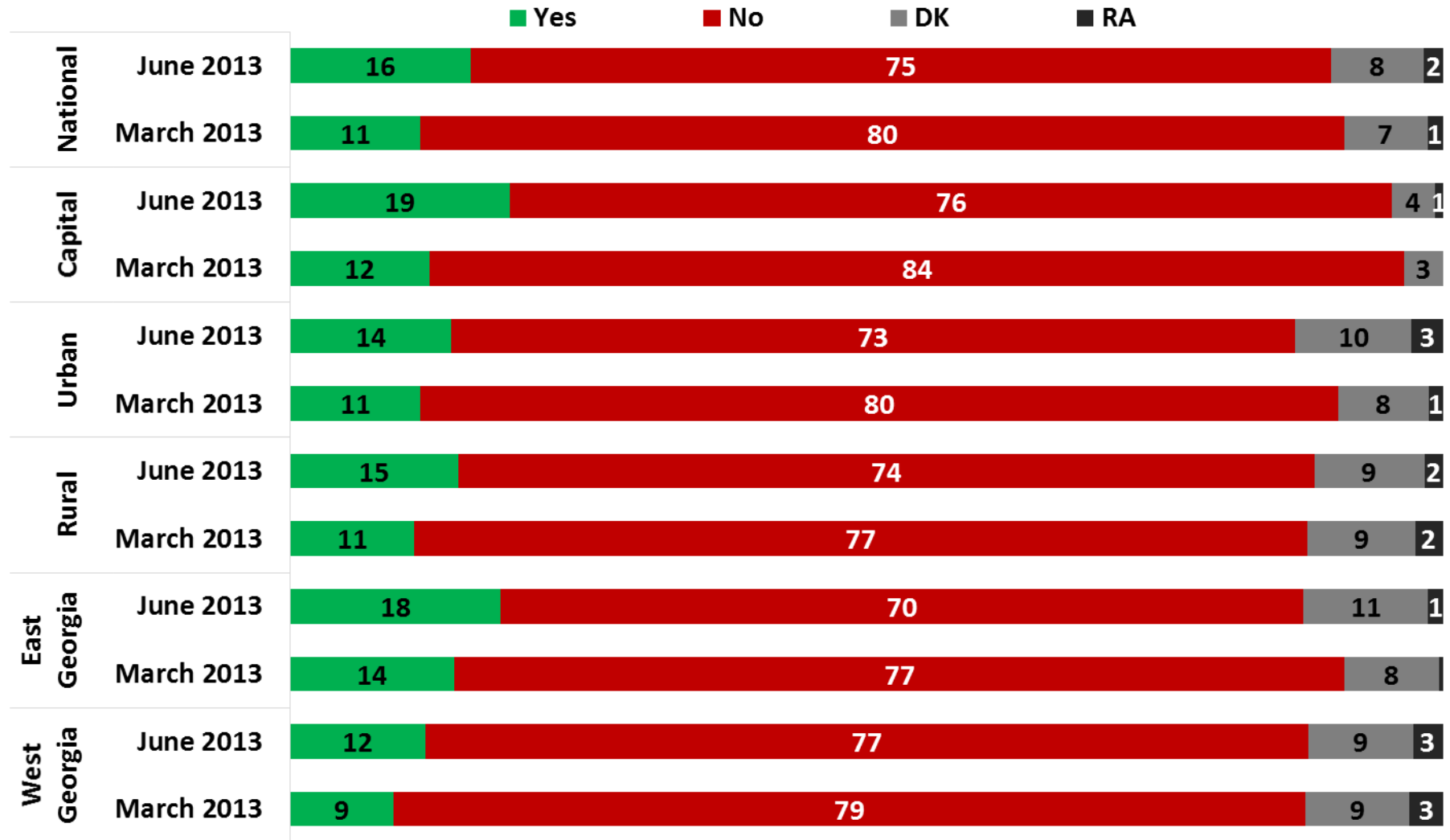
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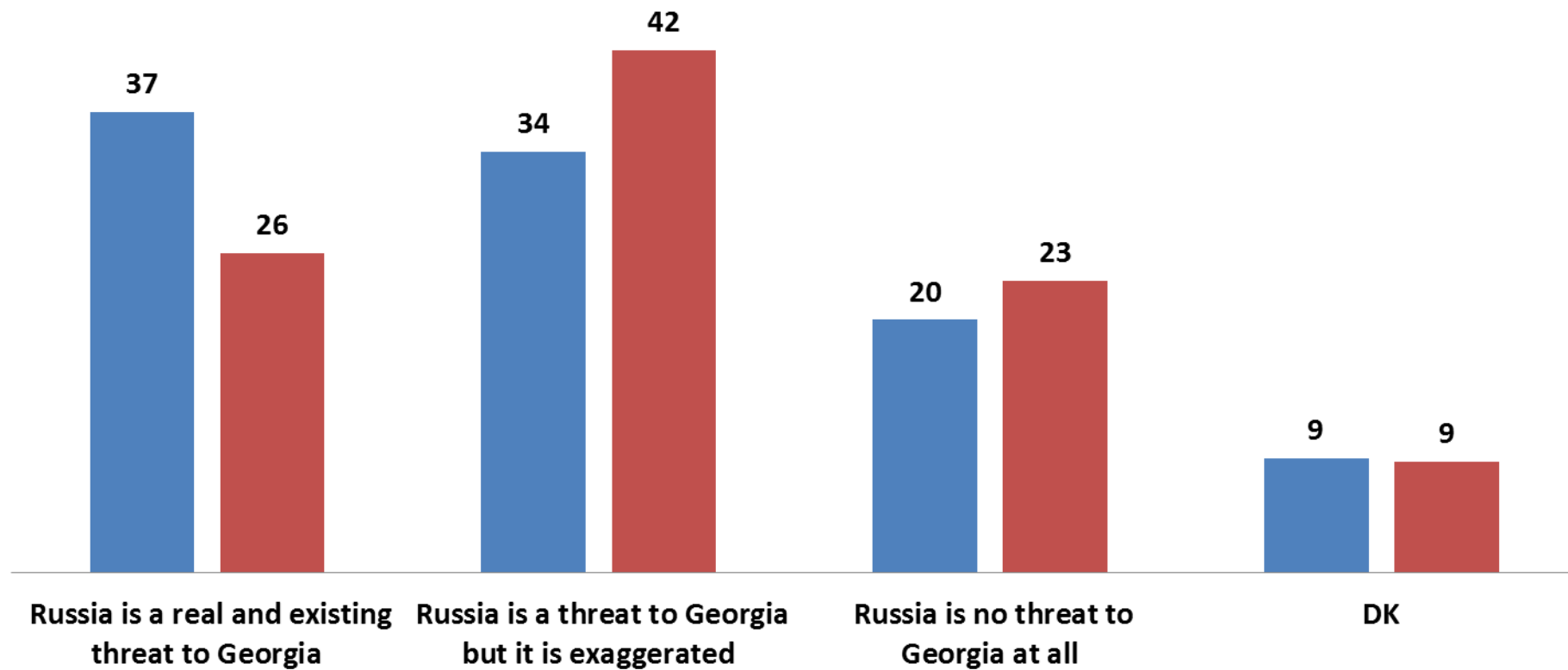


Foreign Relations

Which of the following statements do you agree with the most? (q46)

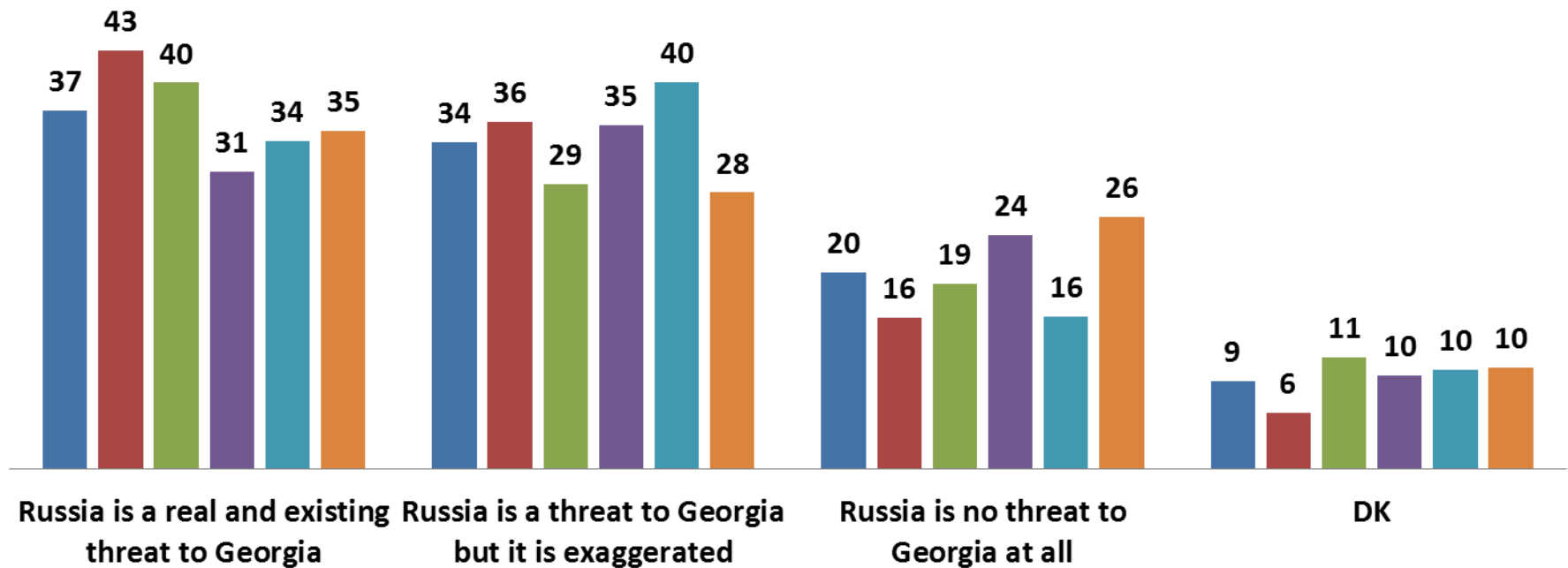
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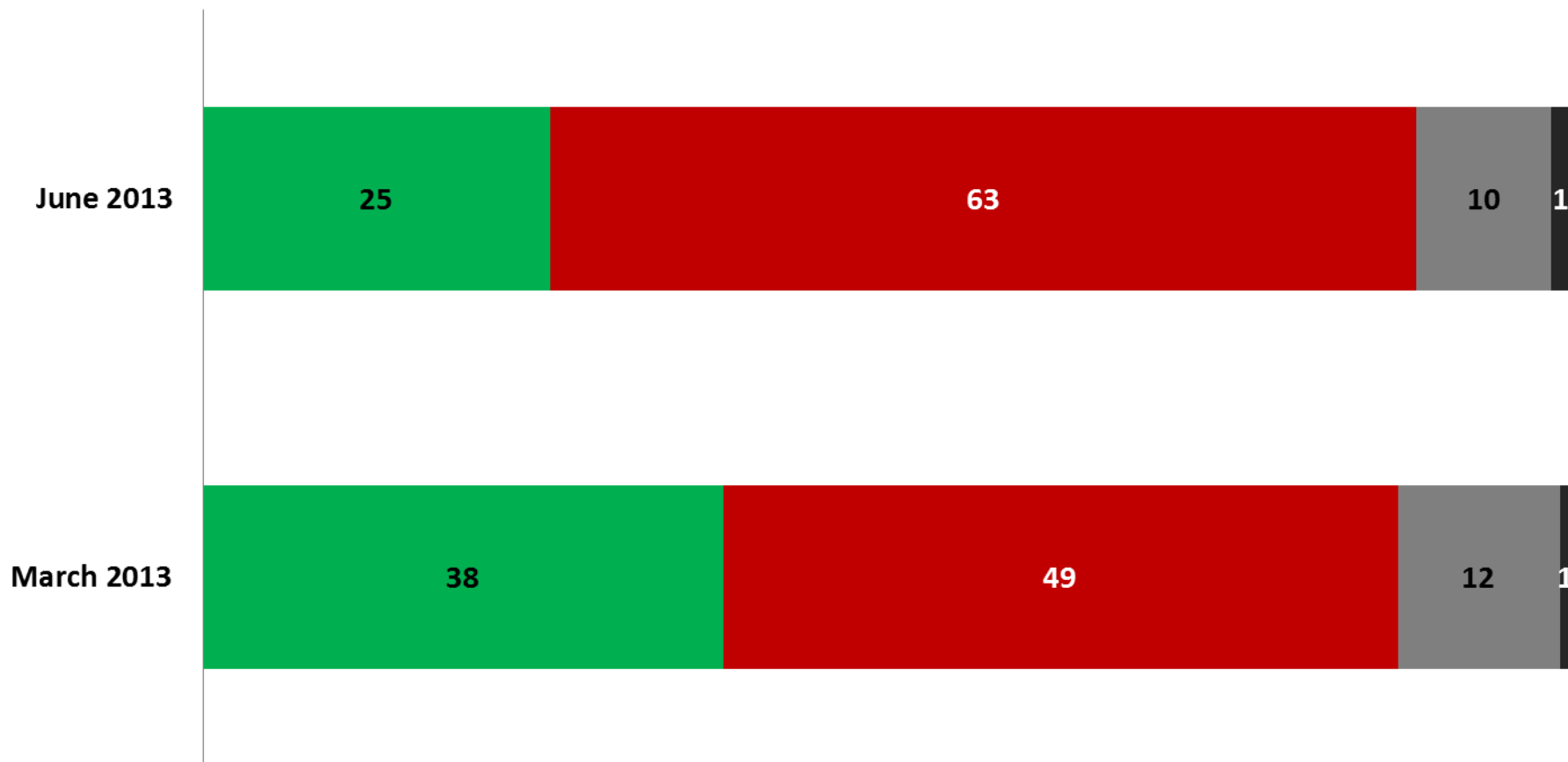
Which of the following statements do you agree with the most? (q46 X Settlement)

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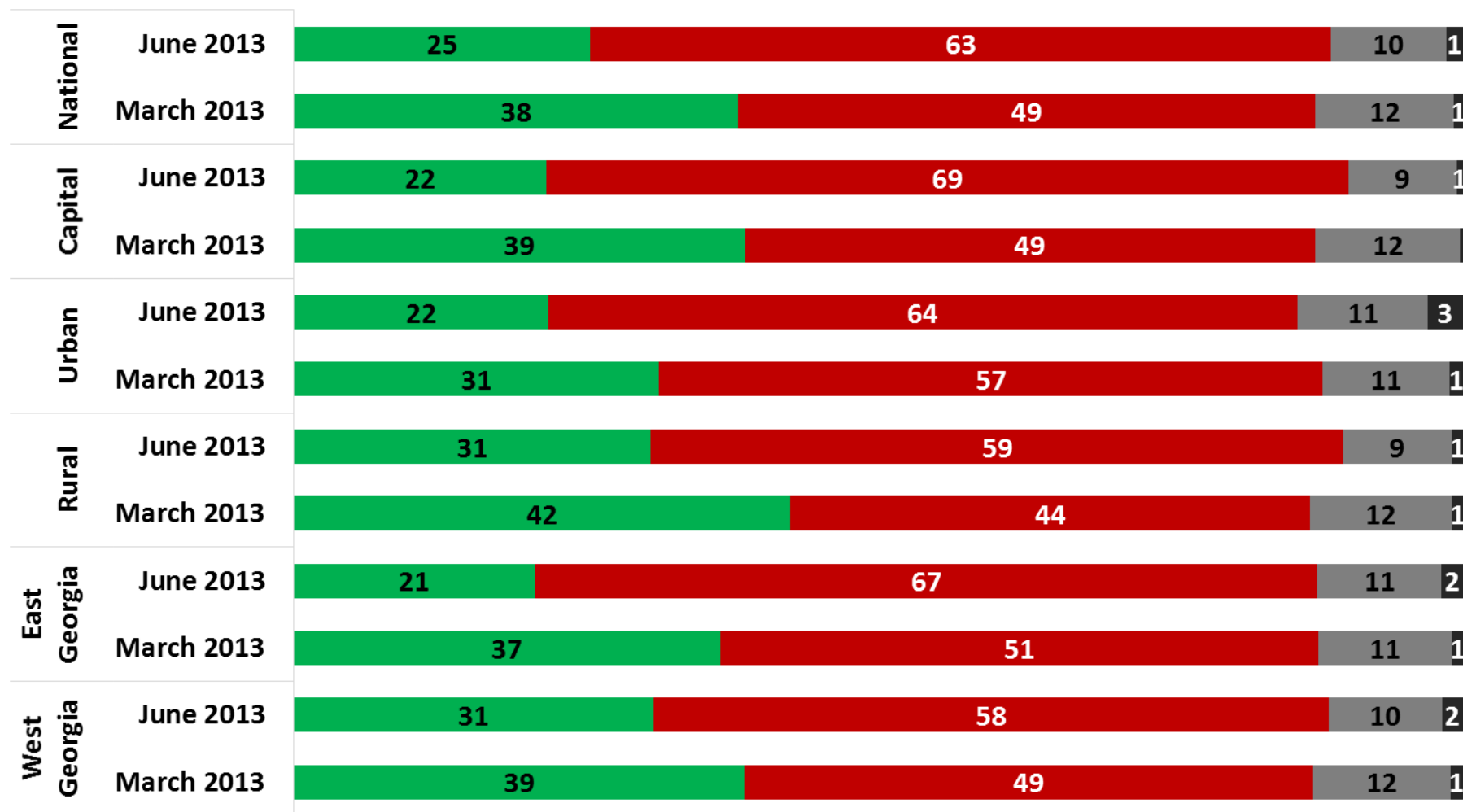
Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with Georgia's current relationship with Russia? (q47)

■ Satisfied ■ Dissatisfied ■ DK ■ RA



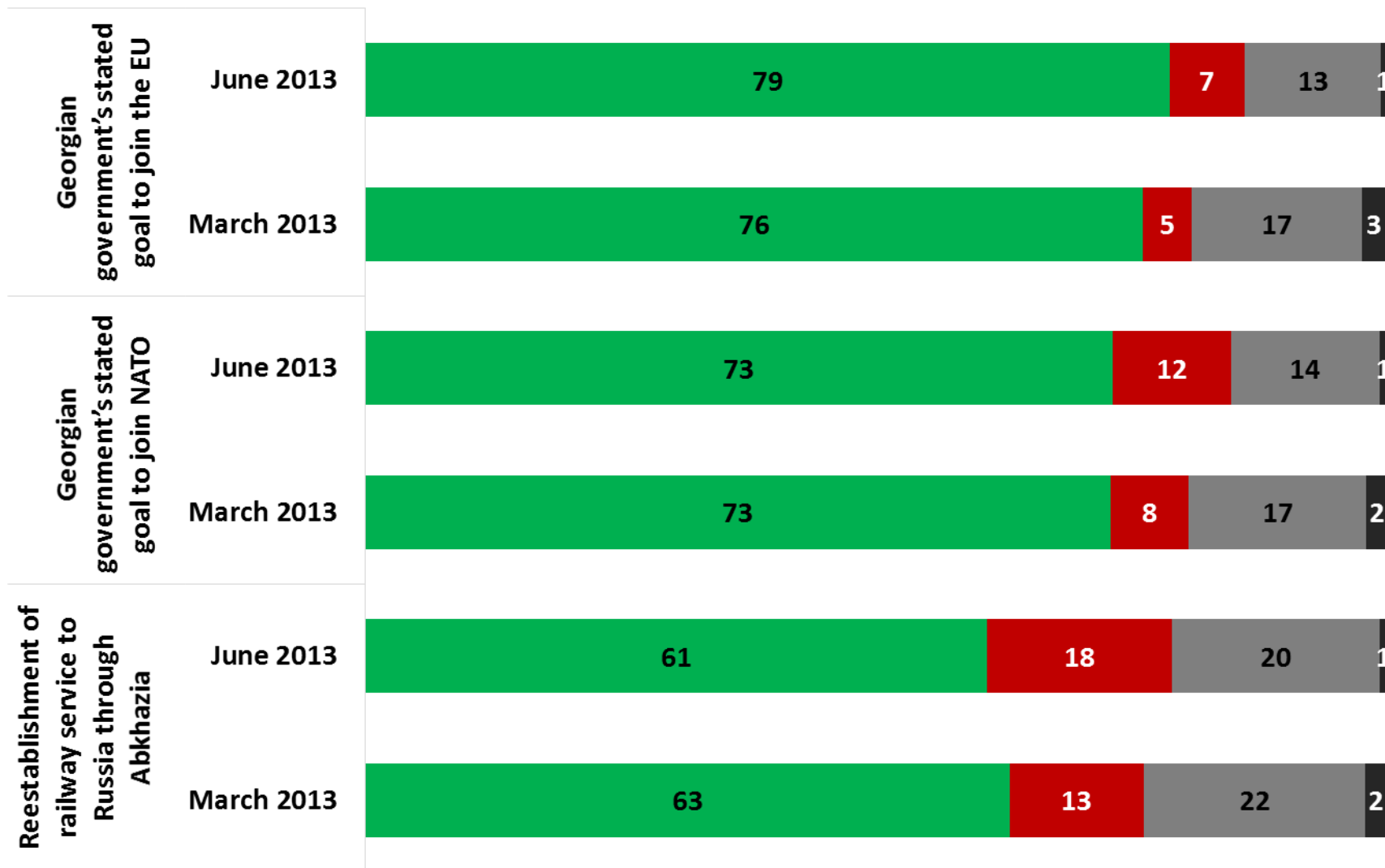
Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with Georgia's current relationship with Russia? (q47 X Settlement)

■ Satisfied ■ Dissatisfied ■ DK ■ RA



Do you approve or disapprove of the following? (q48)

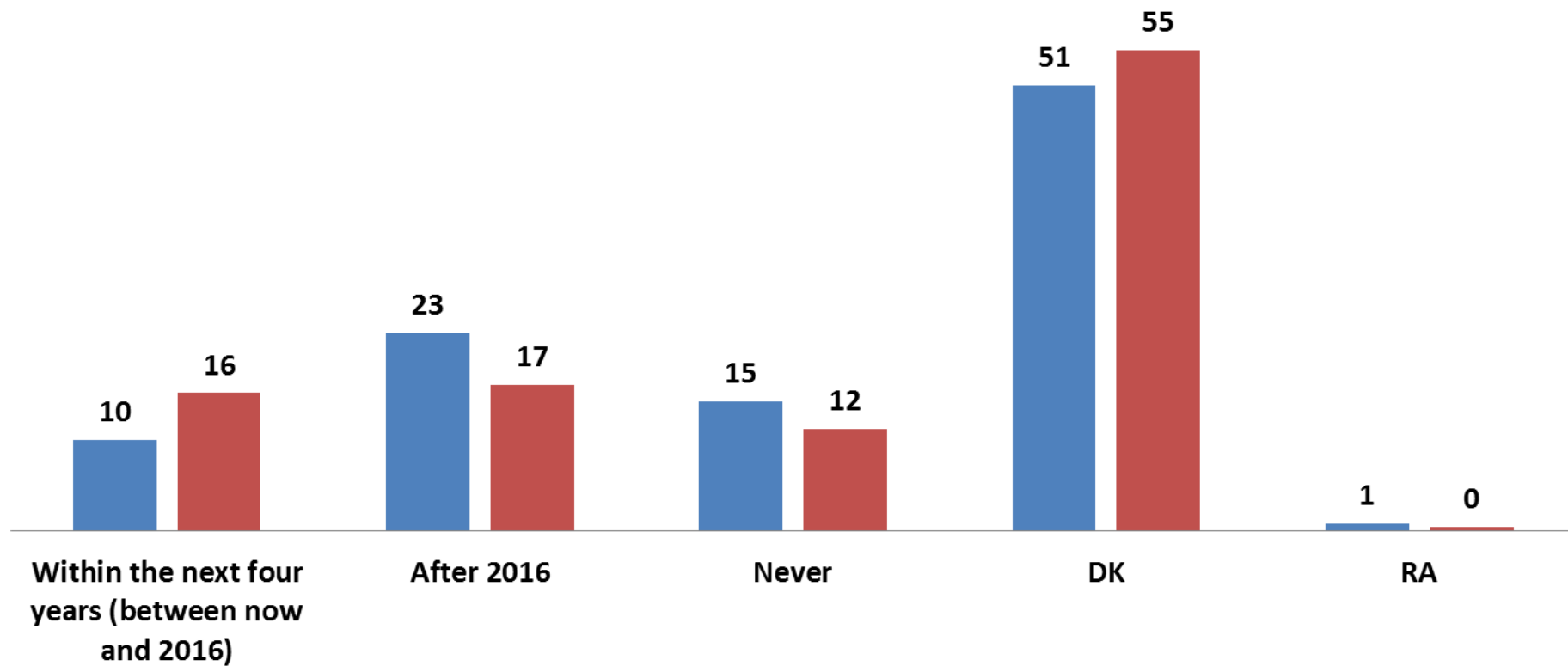
■ Approve
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When do you think Georgia will be granted NATO membership? (q49)

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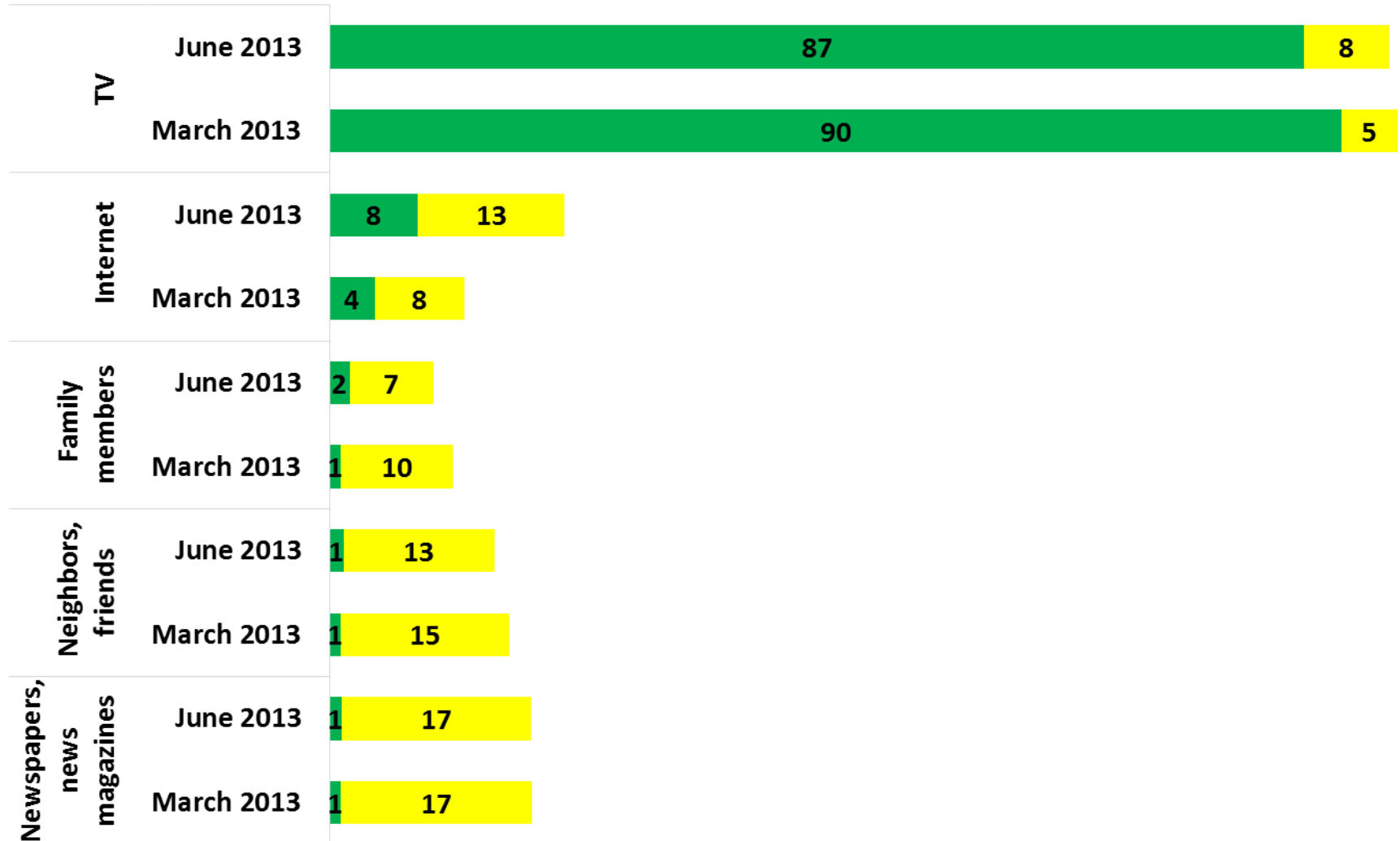
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Media

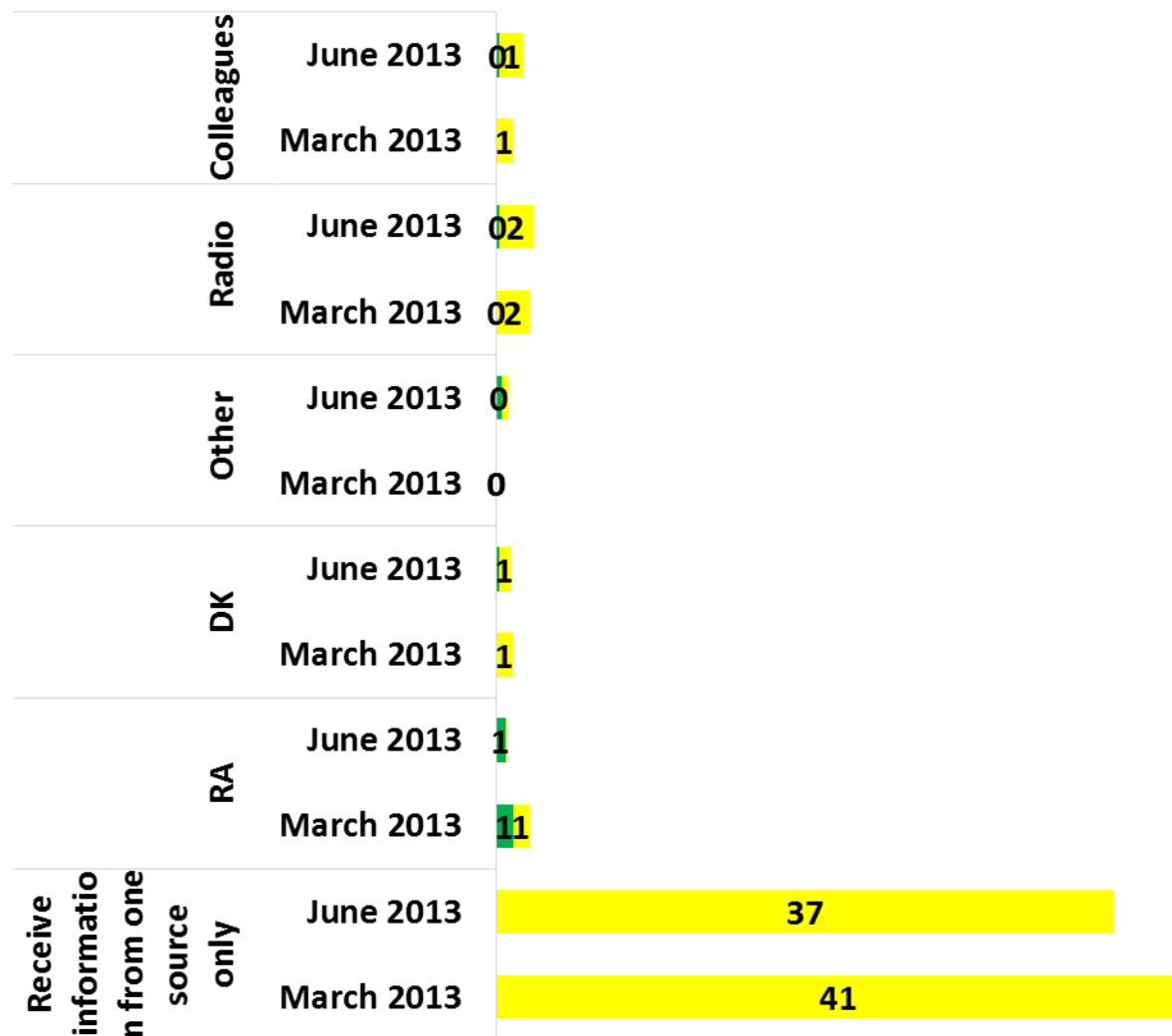
What are your main sources of information for receiving news about Georgian politics and current events? (q50-q51) Part 1

■ First source ■ Second source



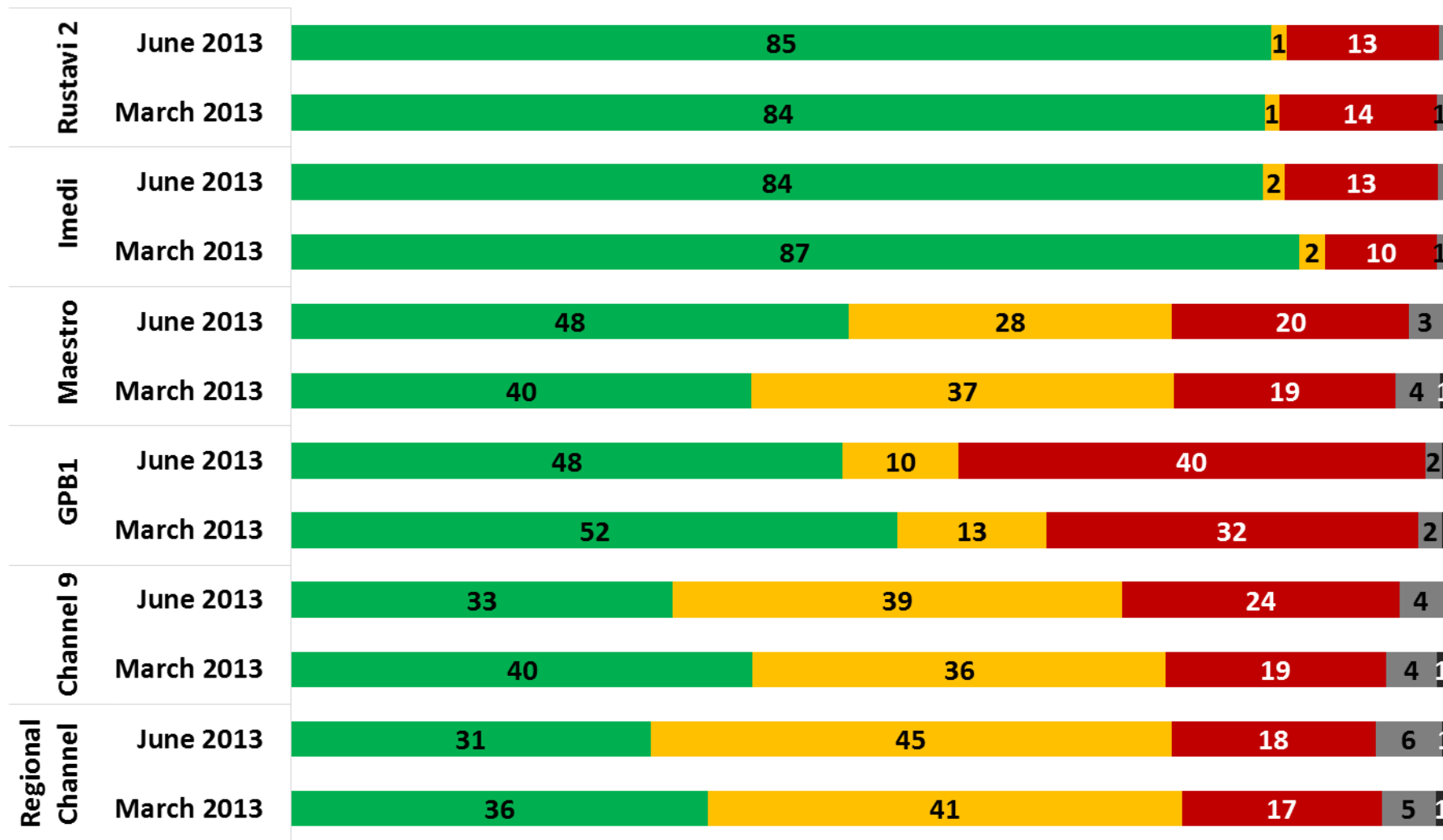
What are your main sources of information for receiving news about Georgian politics and current events? (q50-q51) Part 2

■ First source ■ Second source



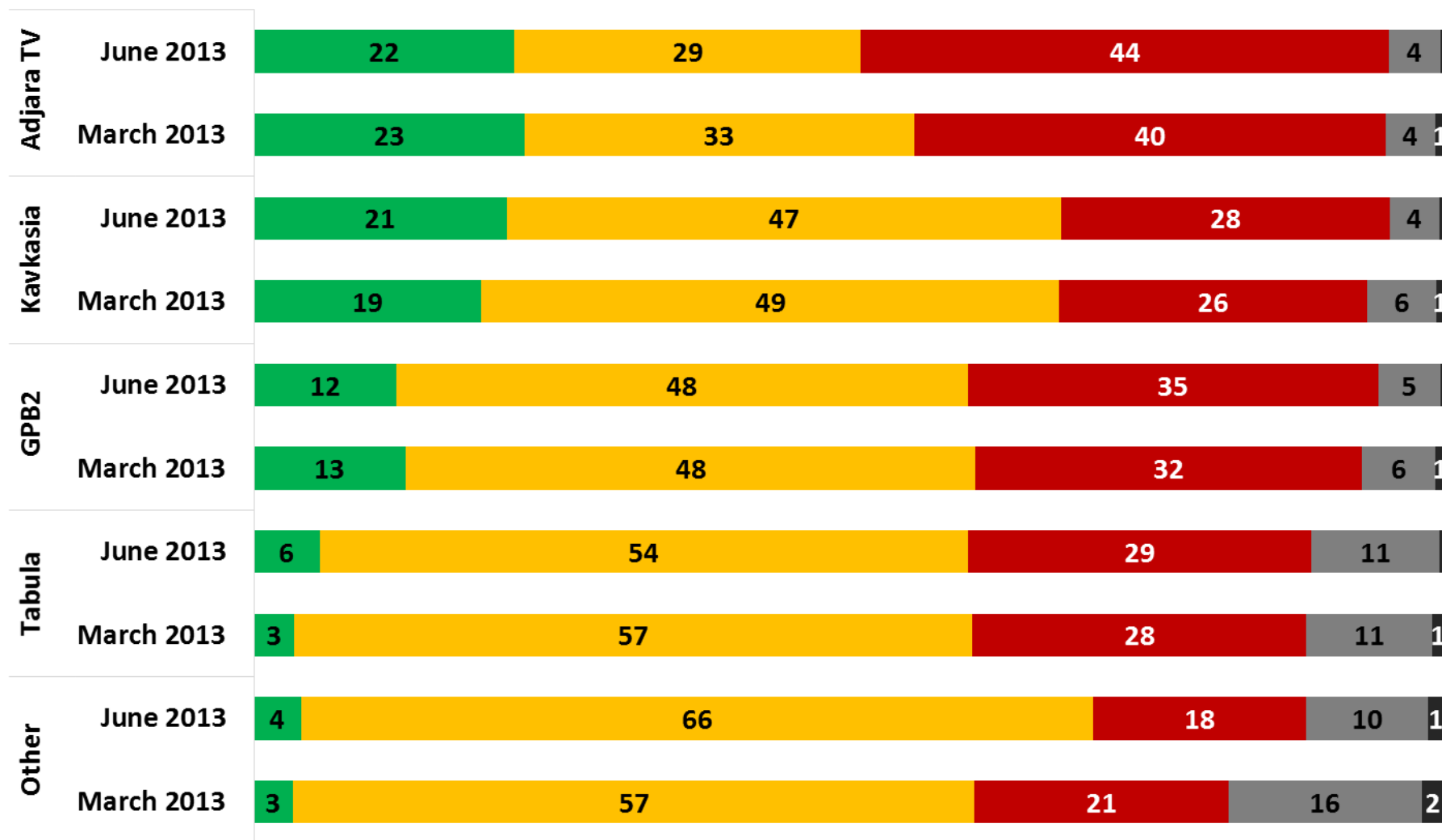
Do you watch coverage of Georgian politics and current events on the following channels? (q52) Part 1

■ Yes
 ■ No – I have no reception
 ■ No – I have reception but I don't watch
 ■ DK
 ■ RA



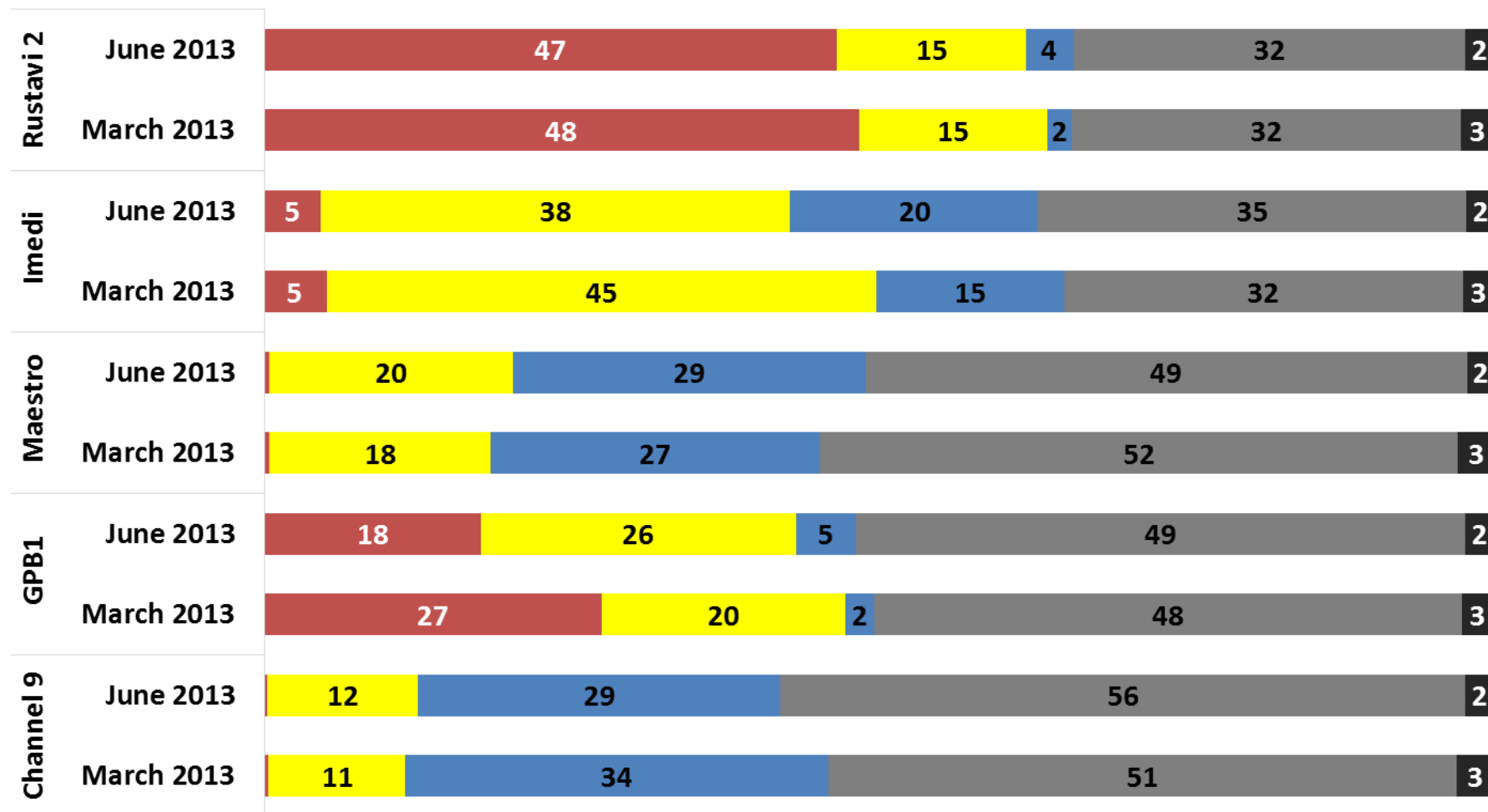
Do you watch coverage of Georgian politics and current events on the following channels? (q52) Part 2

■ Yes
 ■ No – I have no reception
 ■ No – I have reception but I don't watch
 ■ DK
 ■ RA



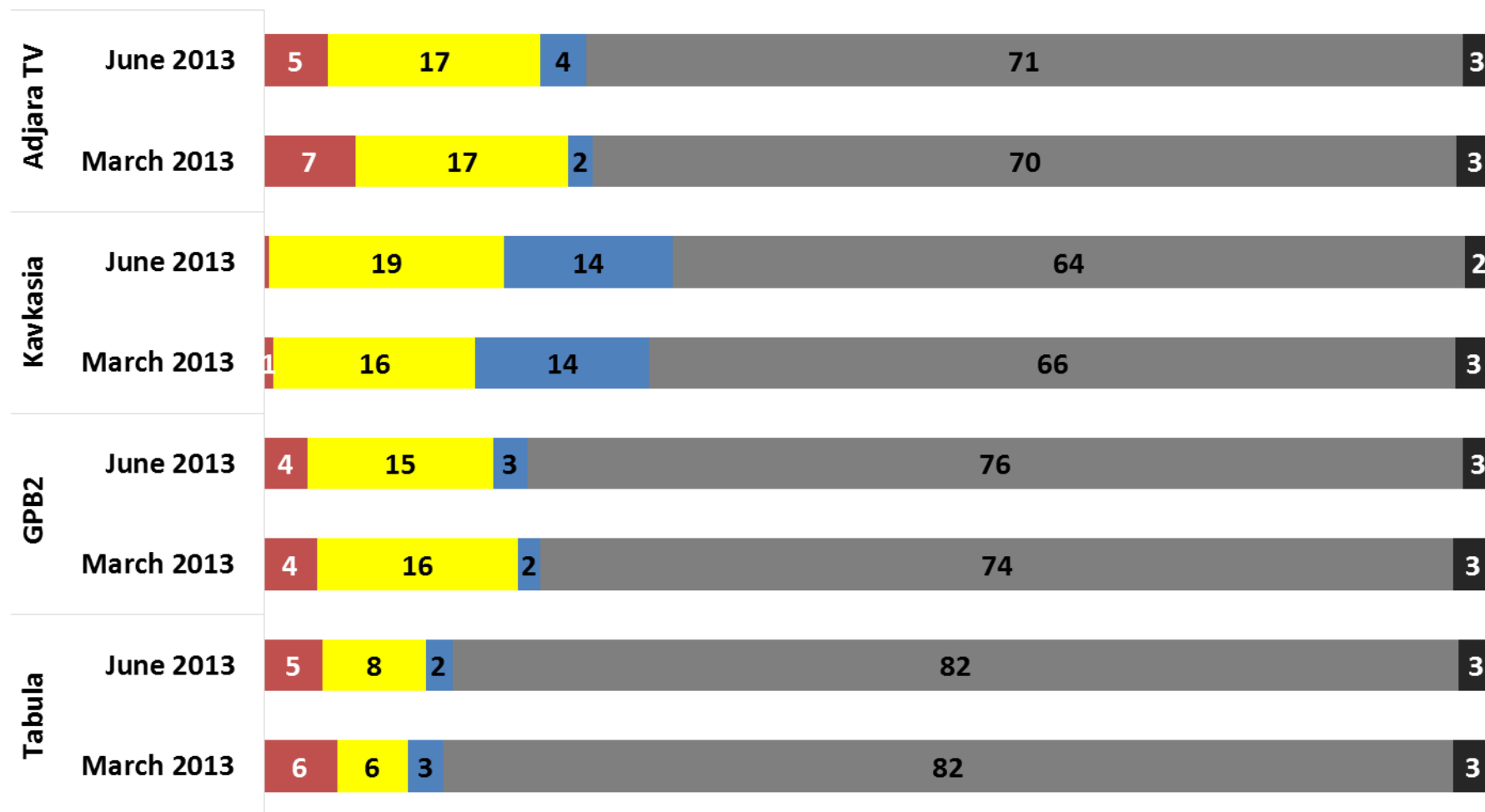
Do you think that news about Georgian politics and current affairs on the following Georgian TV channels mostly reflect the interests of UNM, Georgian Dream or neither? (q53) Part 1

■ UNM ■ Neither ■ Georgian Dream ■ DK ■ RA



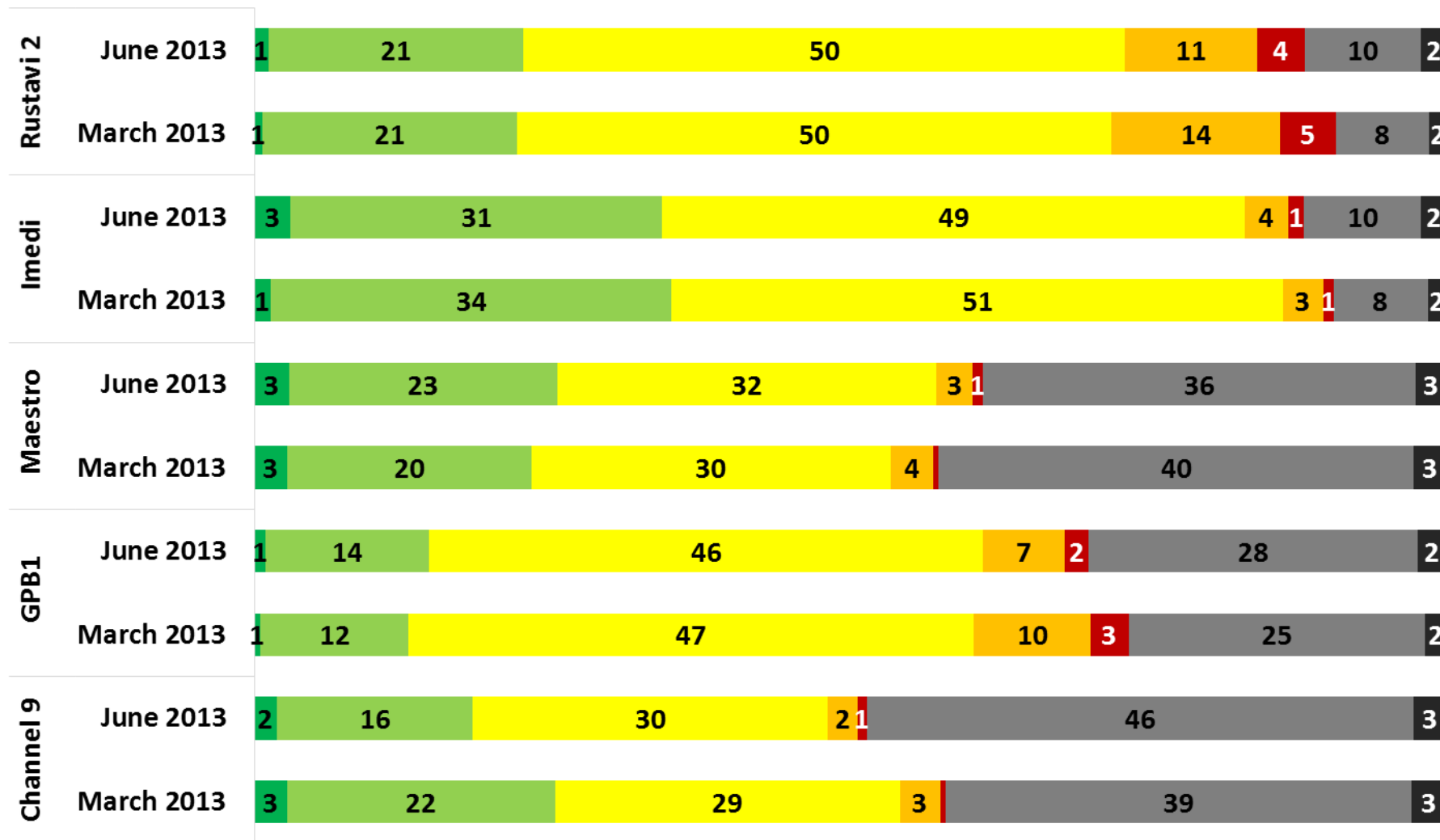
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UNM Neither Georgian Dream DK RA



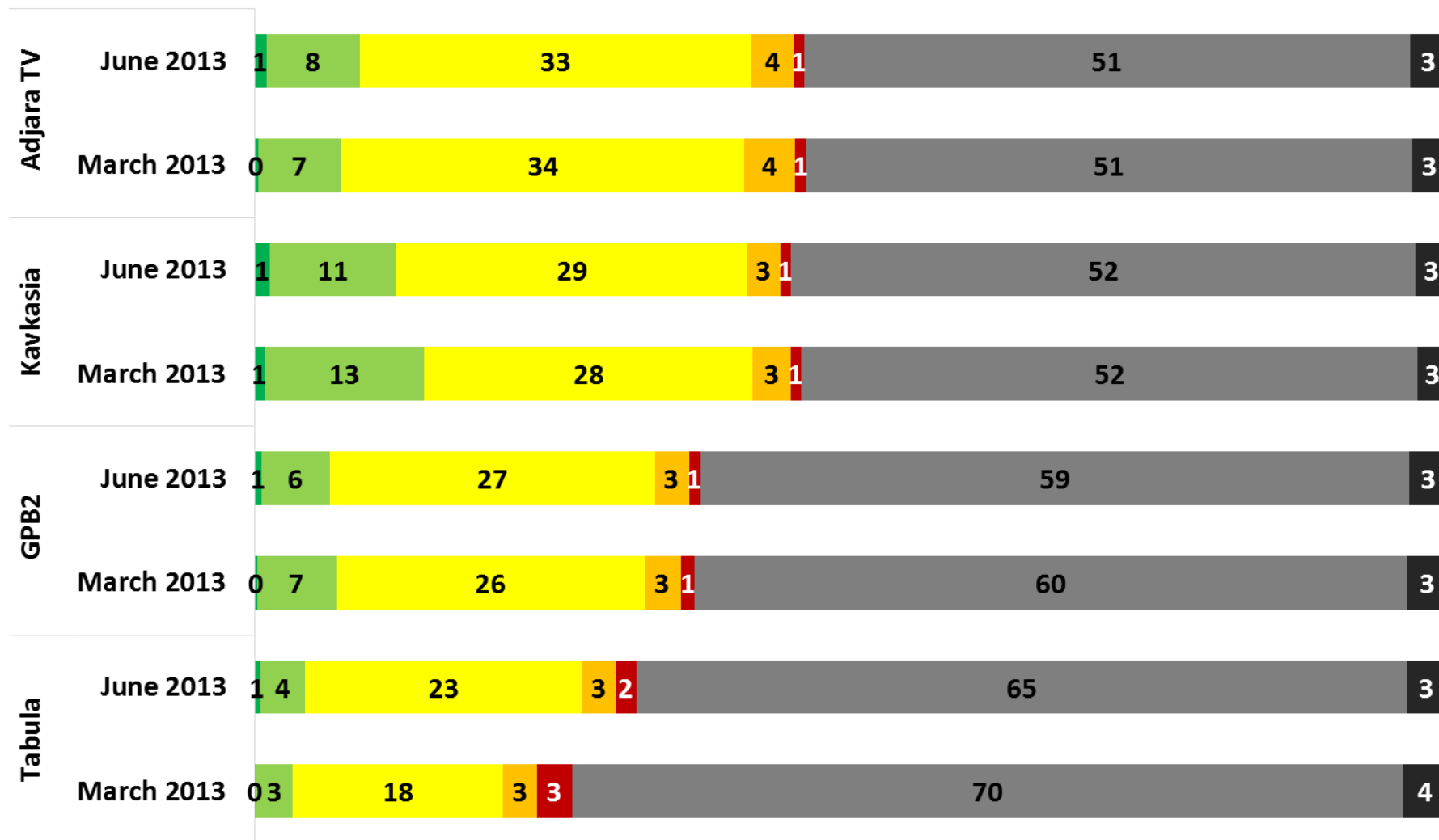
How much do you trust or distrust coverage of news and current affairs on the following TV channels? (q54) Part 1

■ Fully trust
 ■ Trust
 ■ Neutral
 ■ Do not trust
 ■ Do not trust at all
 ■ DK
 ■ RA



How much do you trust or distrust coverage of news and current affairs on the following TV channels? (q54) Part 2

Fully trust Trust Neutral Do not trust Do not trust at all DK RA



In the past four months have you been receiving enough information from the media about the party you support? (q56)

■ Yes ■ No ■ RA ■ Not applicable

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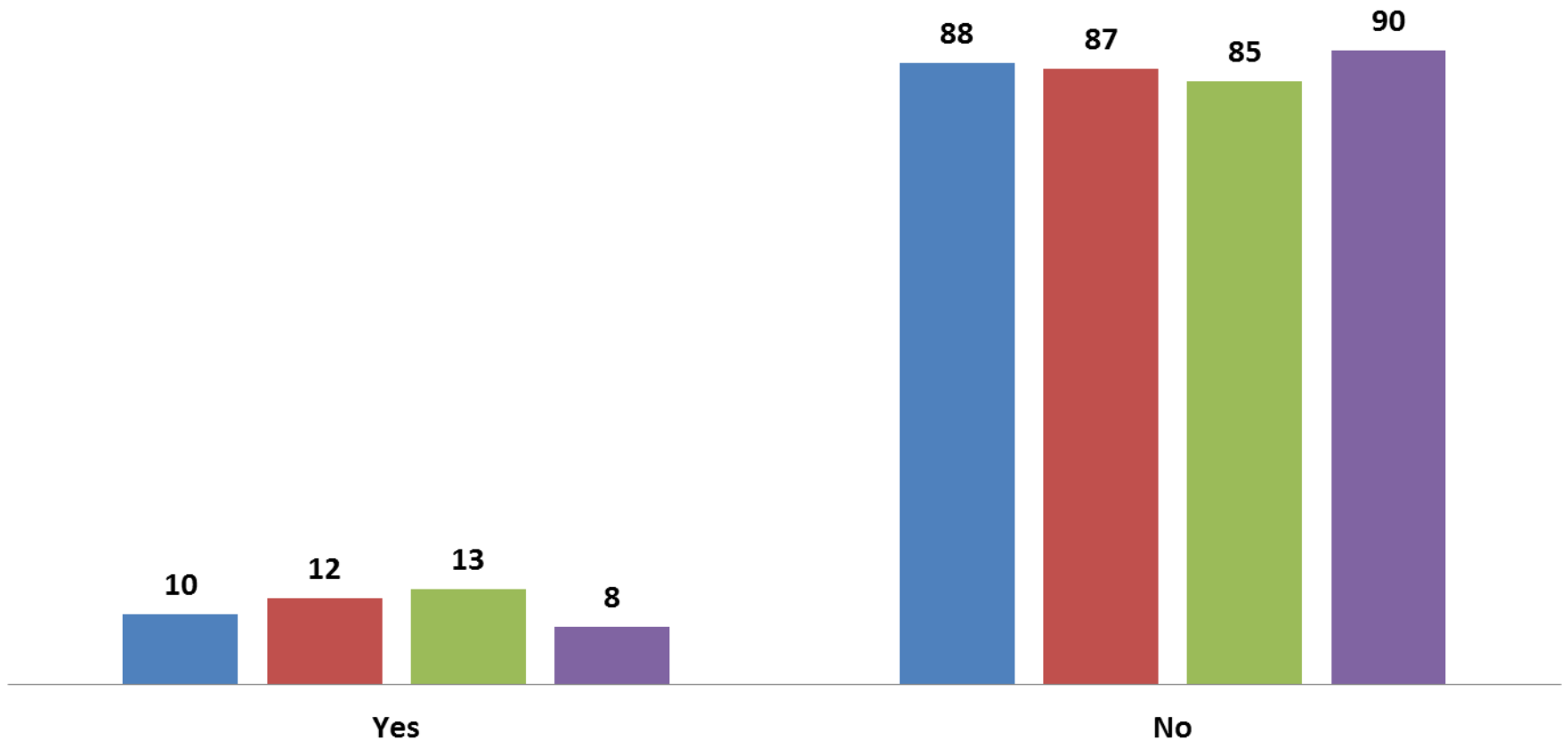


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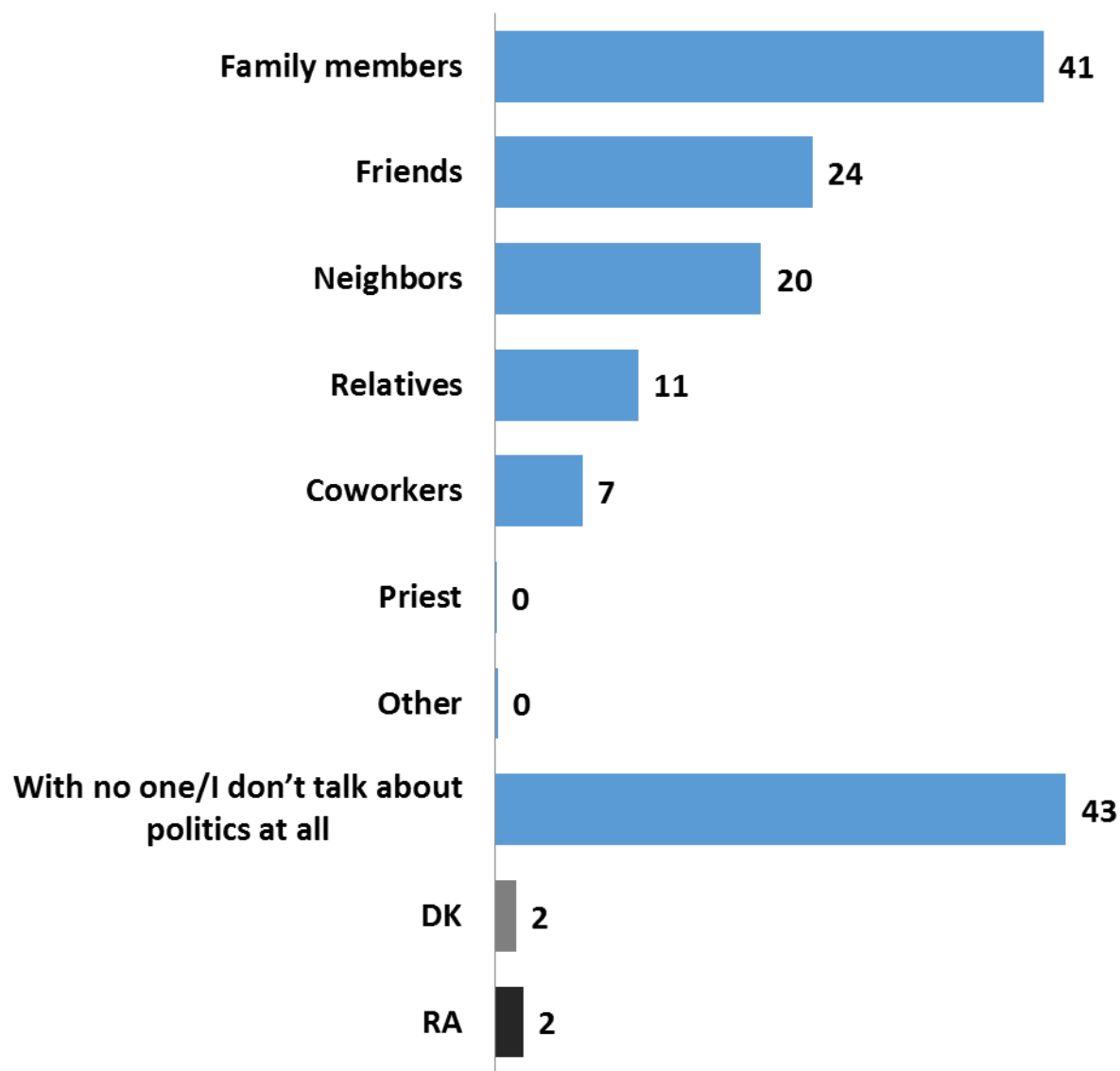
Do you watch GPB Channel 2 which provides live coverage of Parliament and gives Free Tribune to political parties? (q55)

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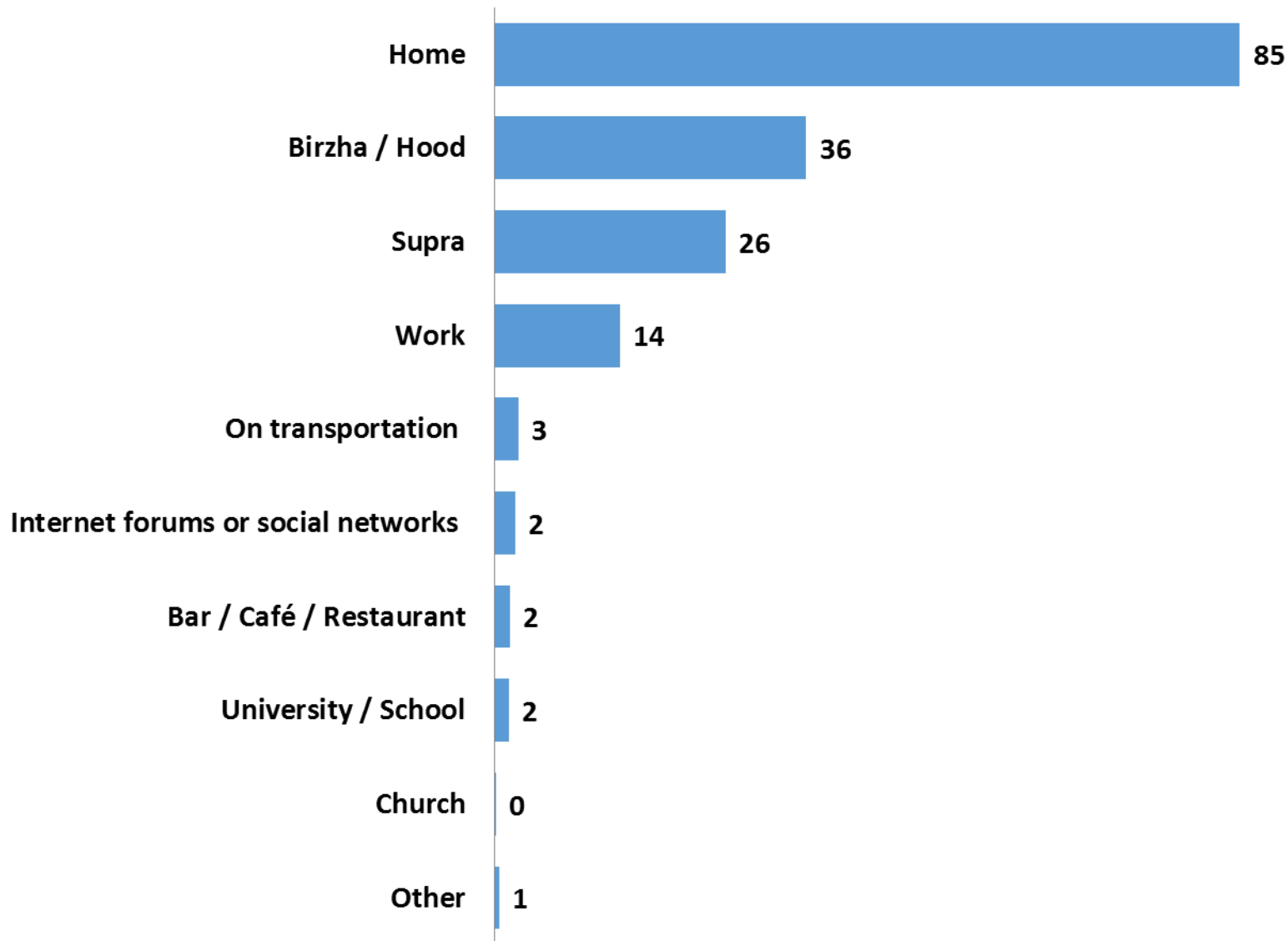


Demographics

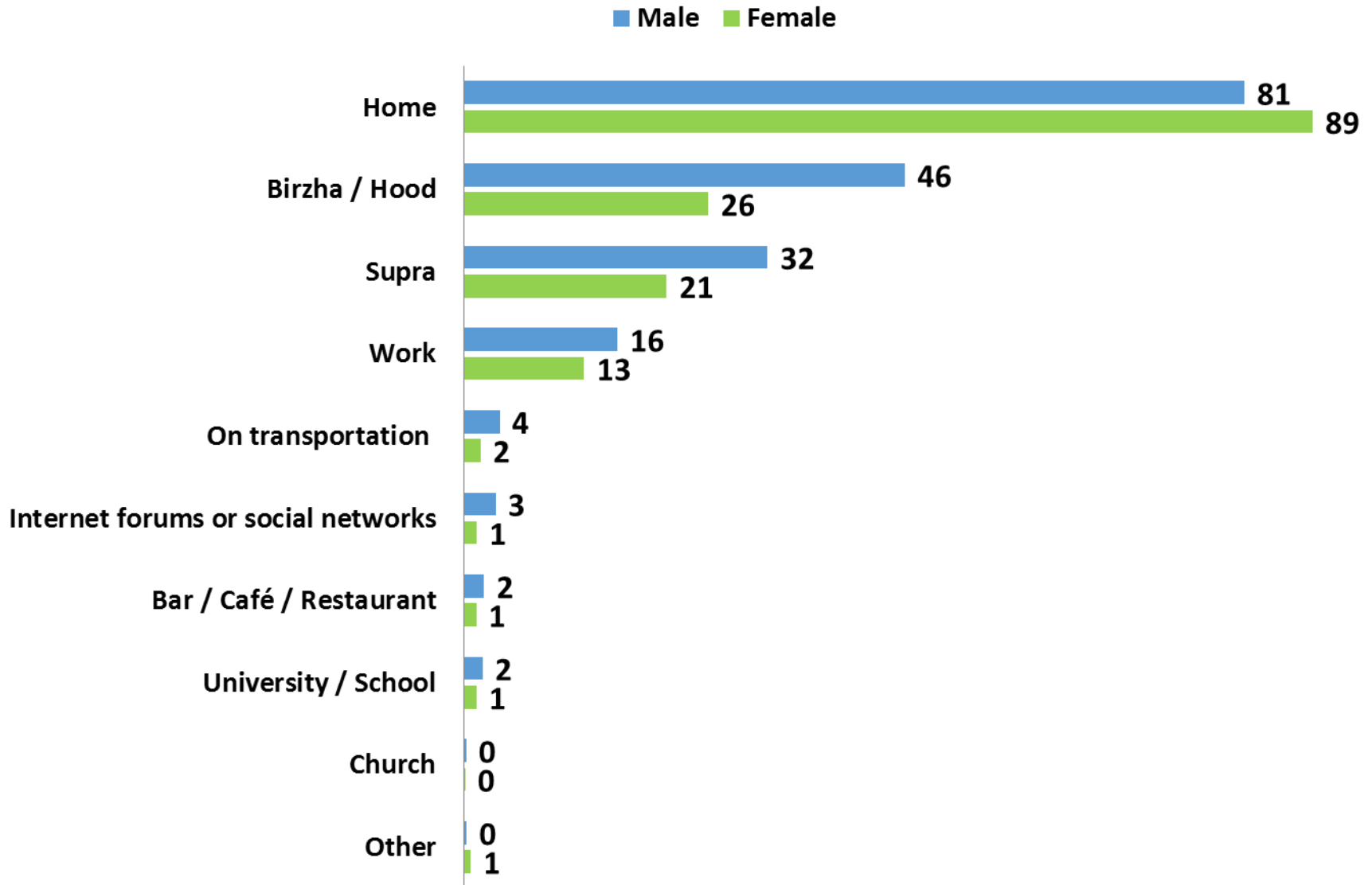
**In general, with whom do you talk about politics?
Select all that apply (q69)**



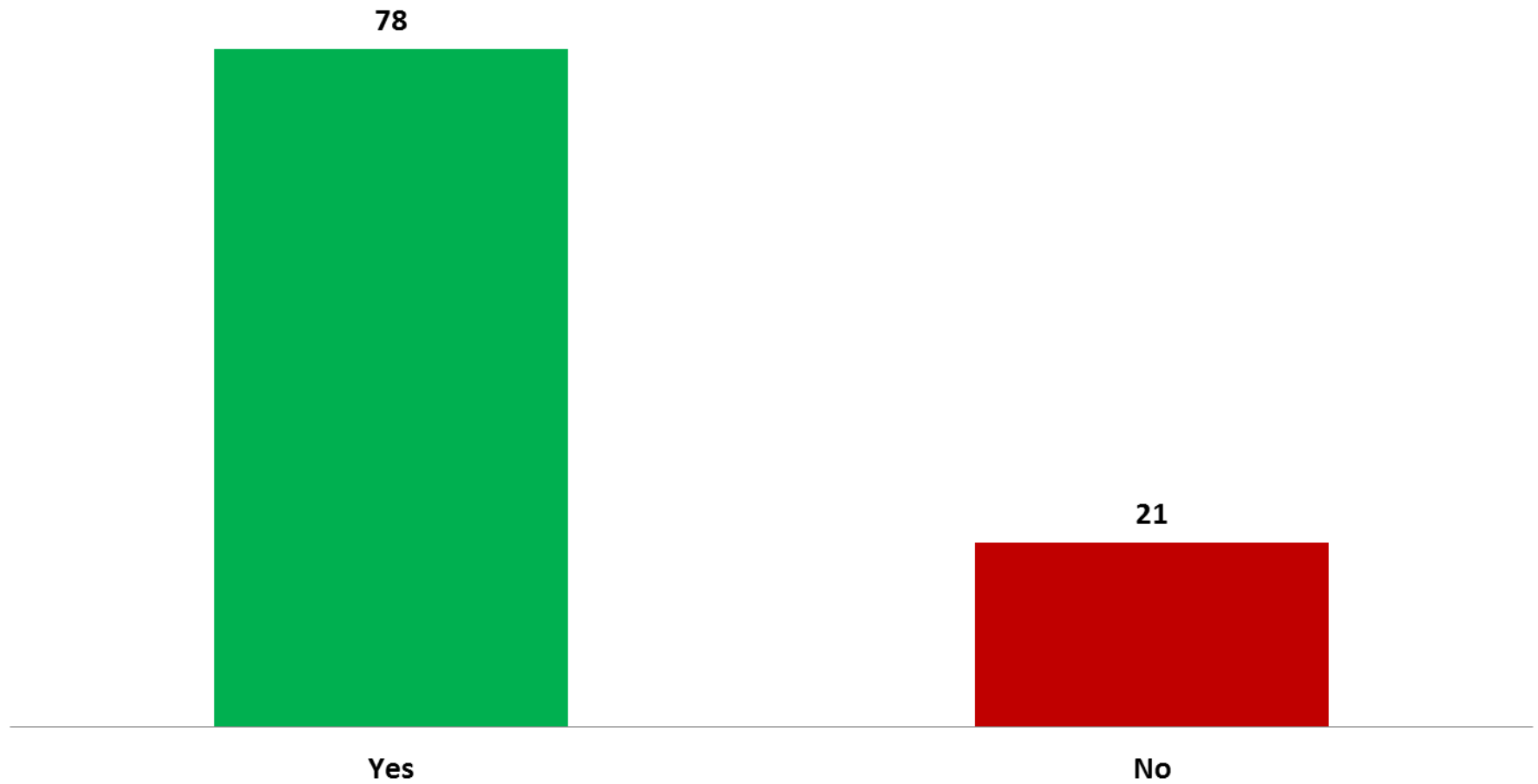
**Where do you talk about politics? Select all that apply
(q70) - of the 54% who talk about politics**



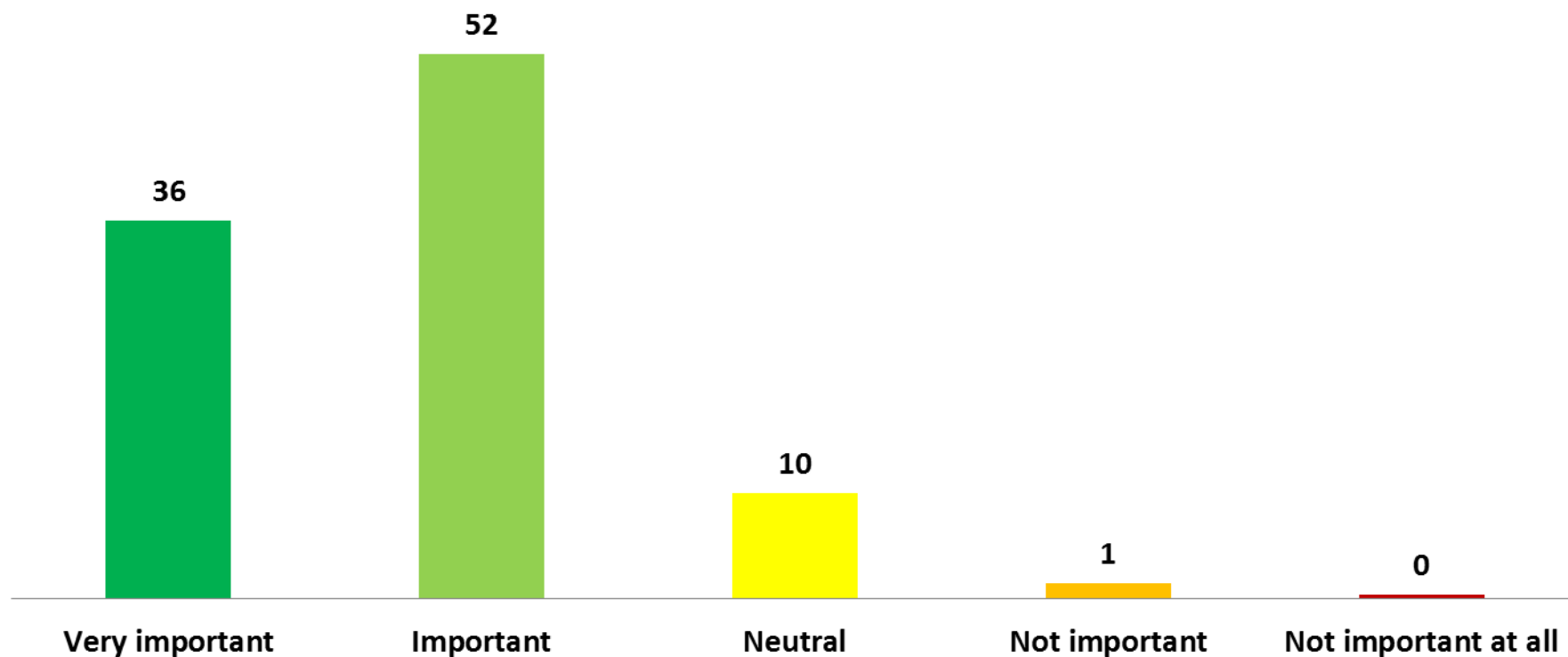
Where do you talk about politics? Select all that apply (q70 X Gender) - of the 54% who talk about politics



Do you currently live where you are legally registered? (q95)



How important are your own religious beliefs in making decisions in daily life? (q97)



How often do you attend religious services? (q98)

