



Turkish Perceptions of the European Union

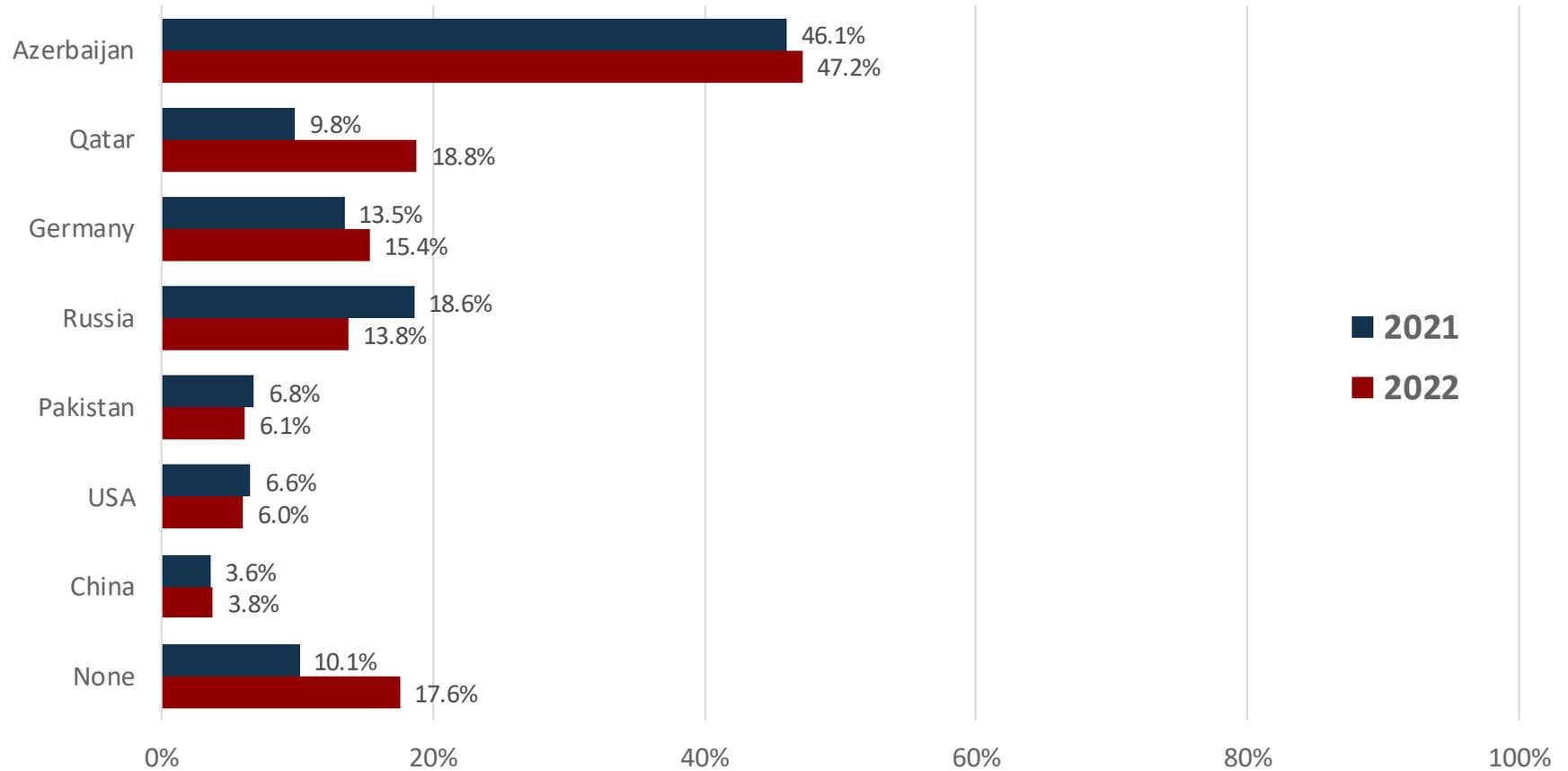
2022

Research Method

- ❖ Field research was carried out between March 2 to 26, 2022 with 2180 participants from urban and rural areas of 27 provinces representing the 18+ population of Turkey, via face-to-face interviews.
- ❖ The study's margin of error is 2 percent, based on the the simple random sampling method.
- ❖ Field research was carried out by the Infakto RW.

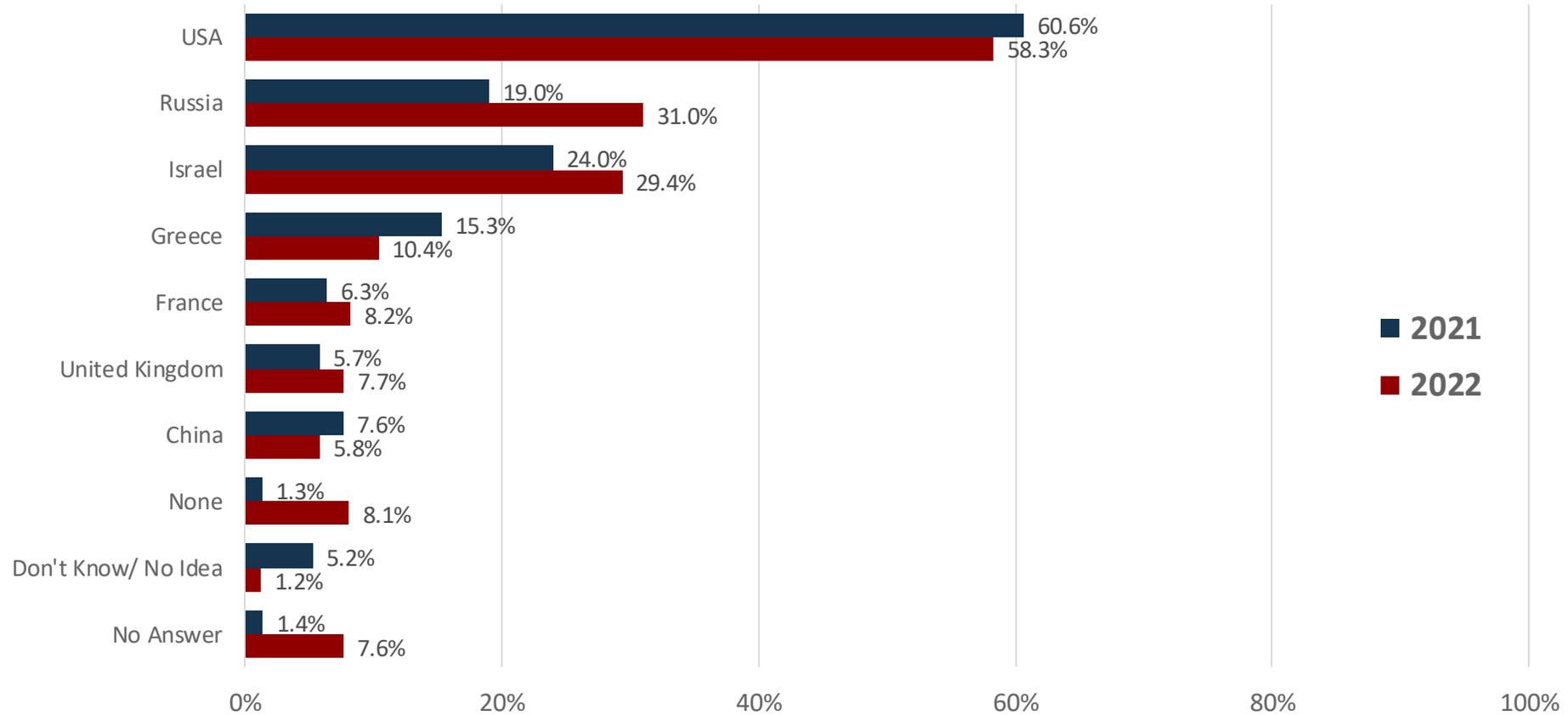
Foreign Policy

The Most Important Partner (2 Responses)



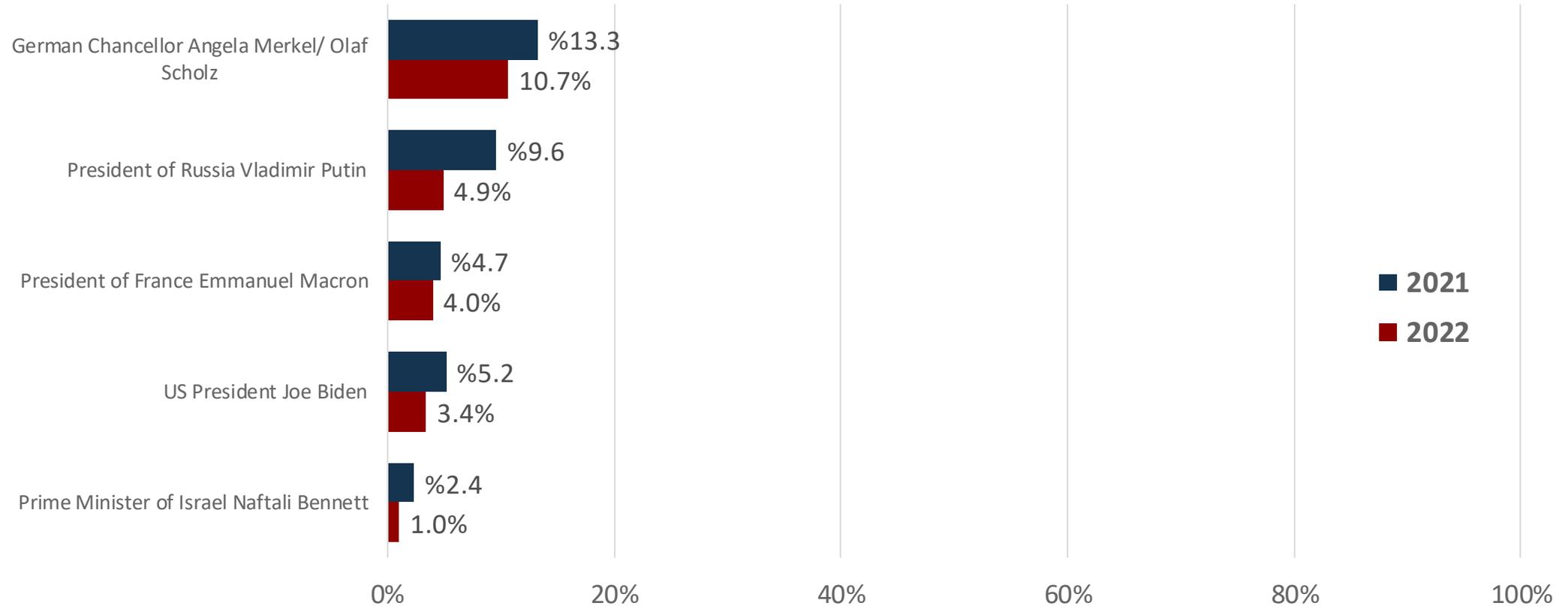
“When you think of international relations in the broadest context, which country do you consider to be Turkey’s most important partner?»

Biggest Threat to Turkey's National Interests (2 Responses)



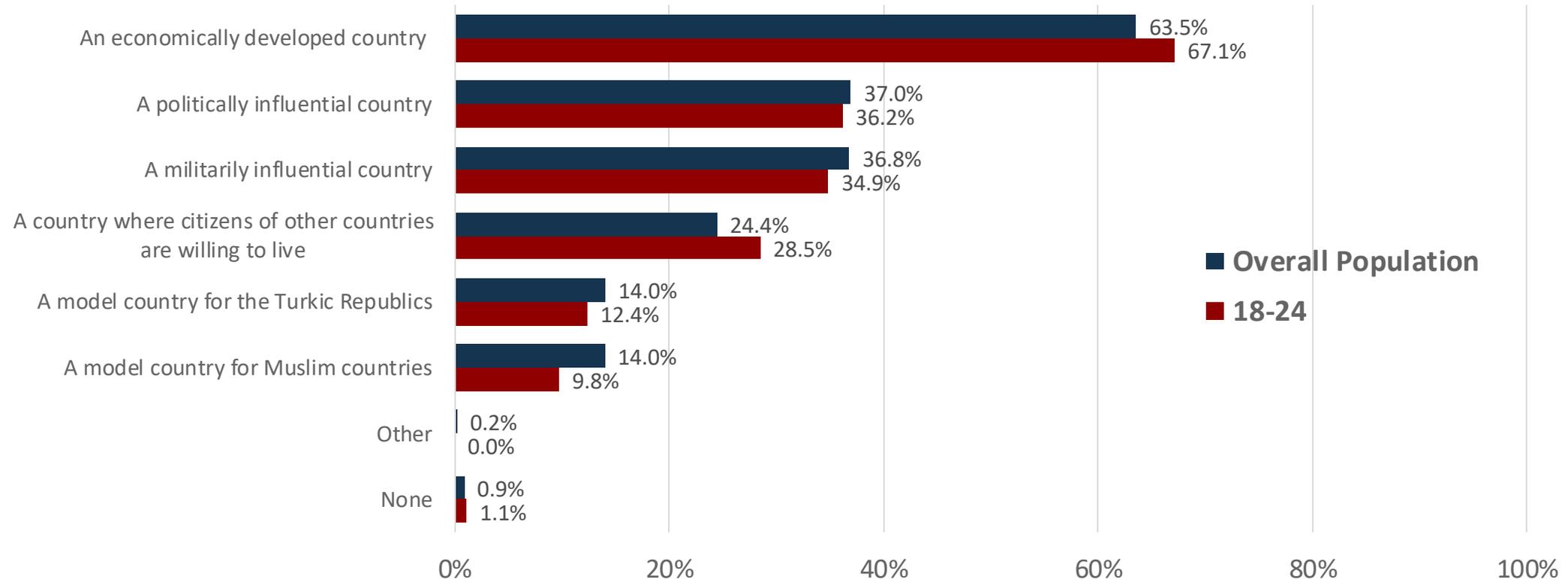
“Which country or international community is the biggest threat to Turkey’s national interests according to your opinion?”

Opinions of Leaders (Percentage of «Positive» Answers)



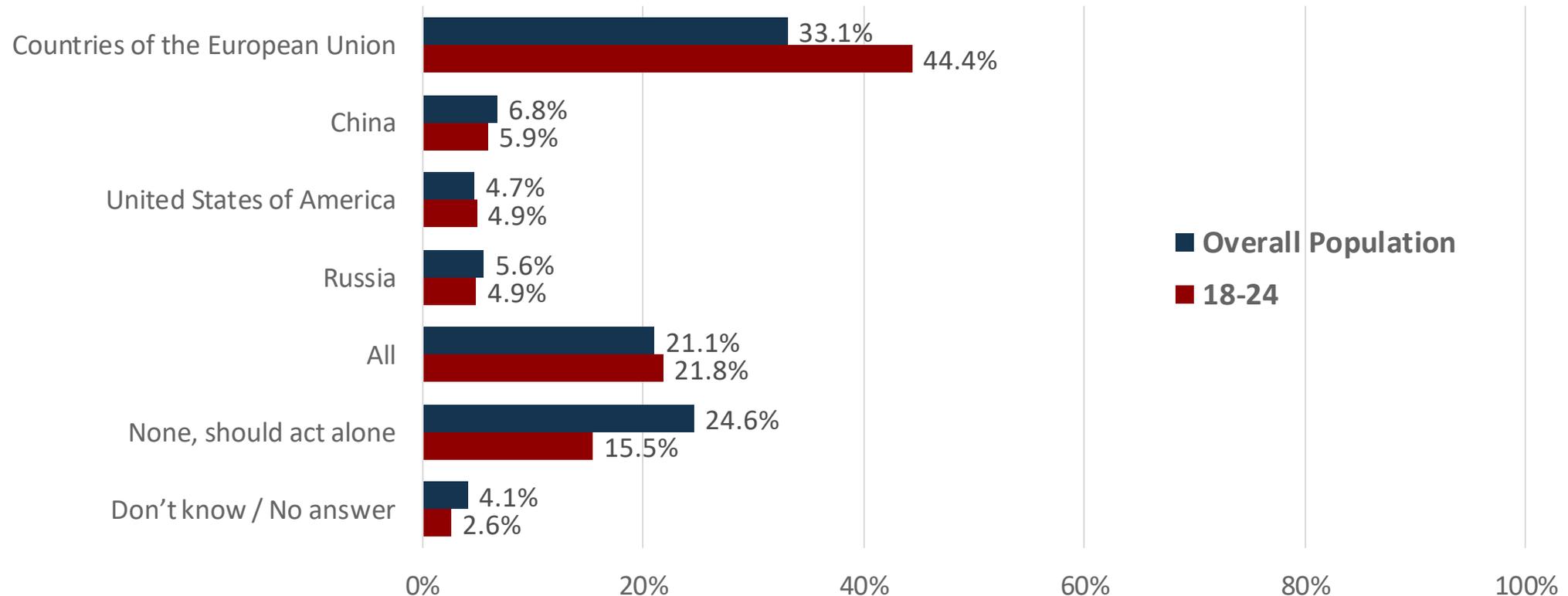
“How positive is your opinion of the following leaders?”

Turkey's Role in the International Arena (2 Answers)



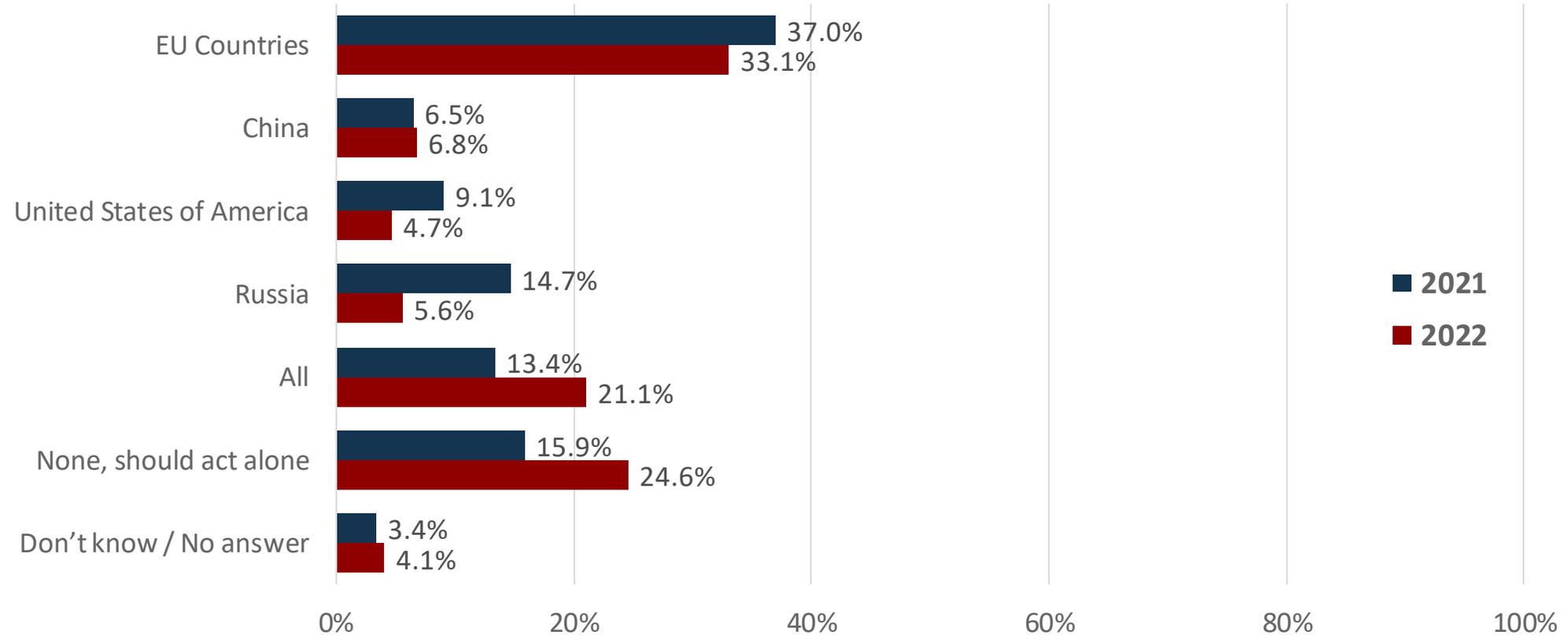
“I will now read you specific future roles Turkey could play in the international arena. Which role do you think is the most appropriate for Turkey to play? Which is the second most appropriate role?”

Whom Should Turkey Cooperate Most Closely with on International Issues?



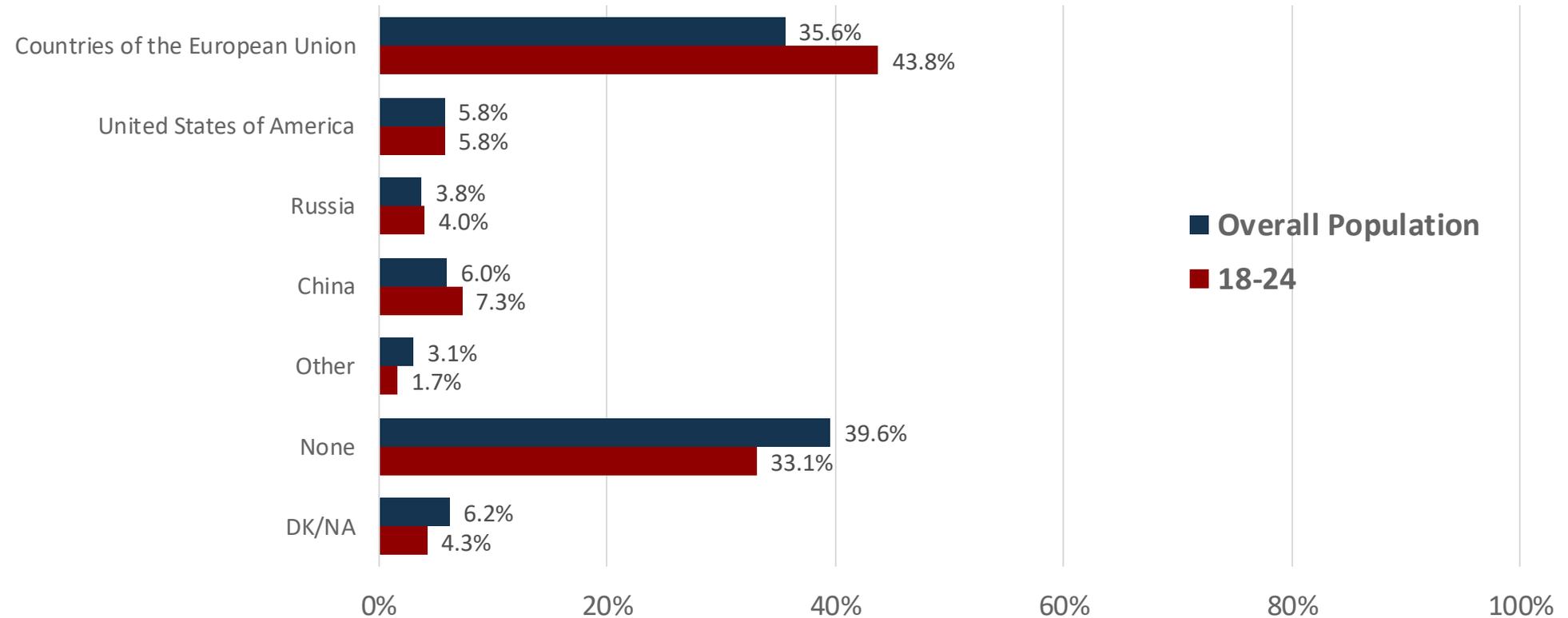
«Among the countries that I will read to you, with which of them should Turkey cooperate most closely on international issues?»

Which Countries Should Turkey Cooperate Most Closely with on International Issues?



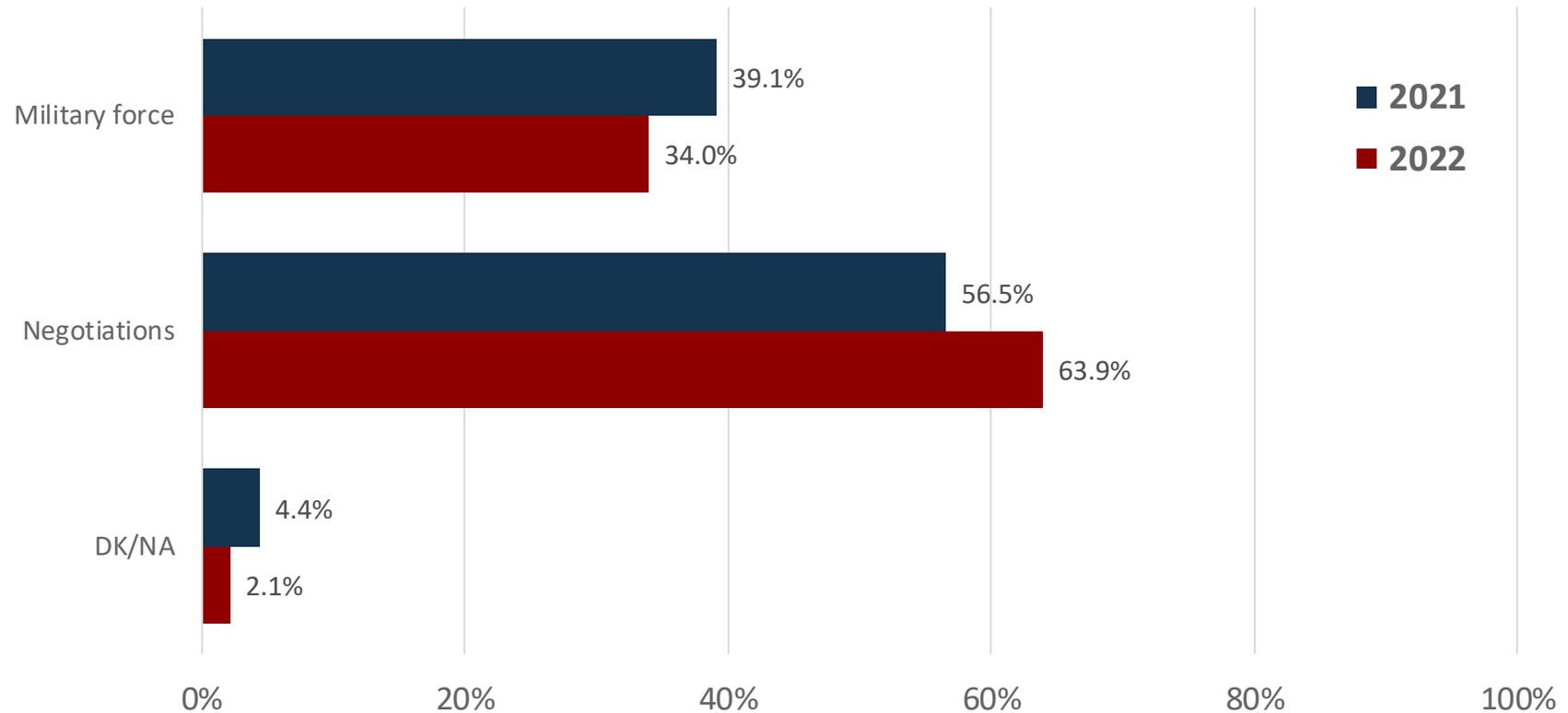
“Among the countries I mention, which should Turkey cooperate most closely on international issues?”

World Leadership



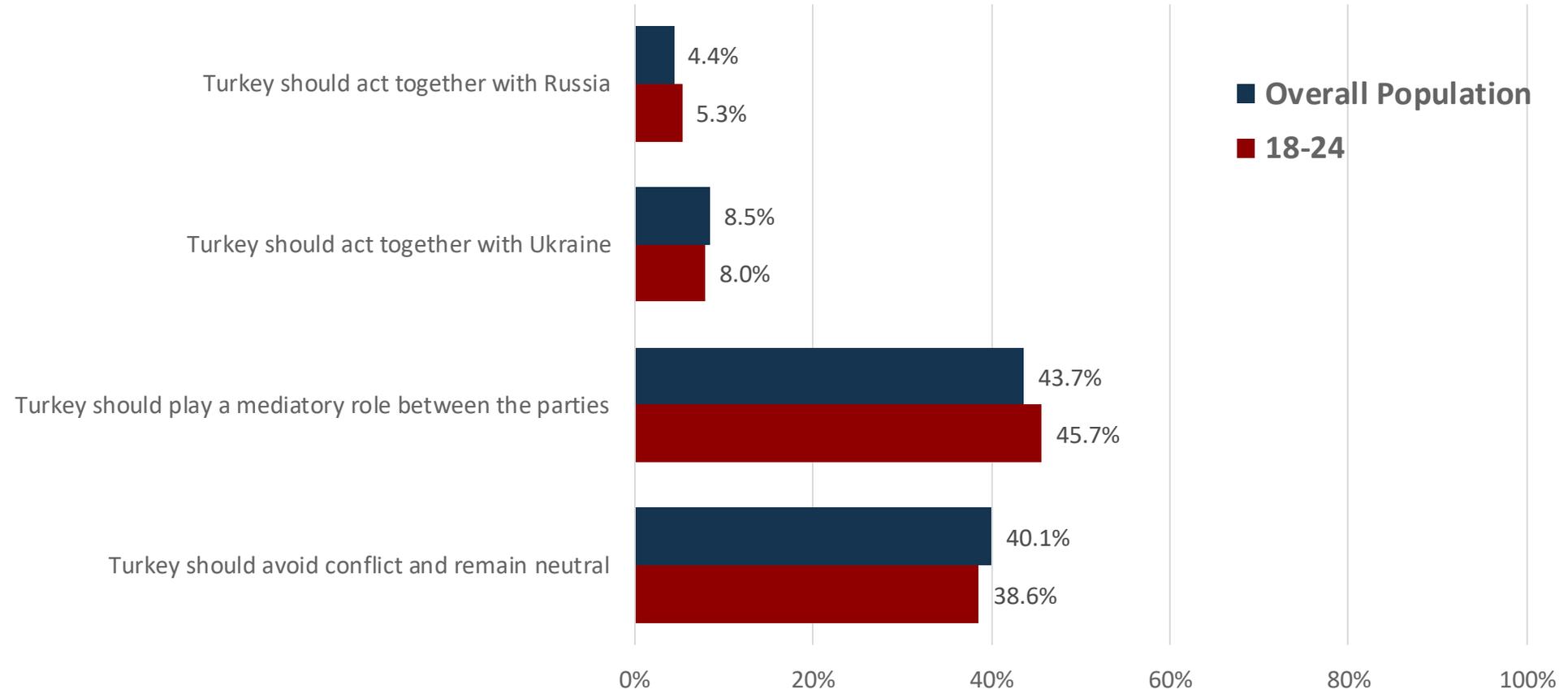
“In general, which leadership would yield better results for the majority of humanity in solving global problems?”

The Best Way to Ensure Peace...



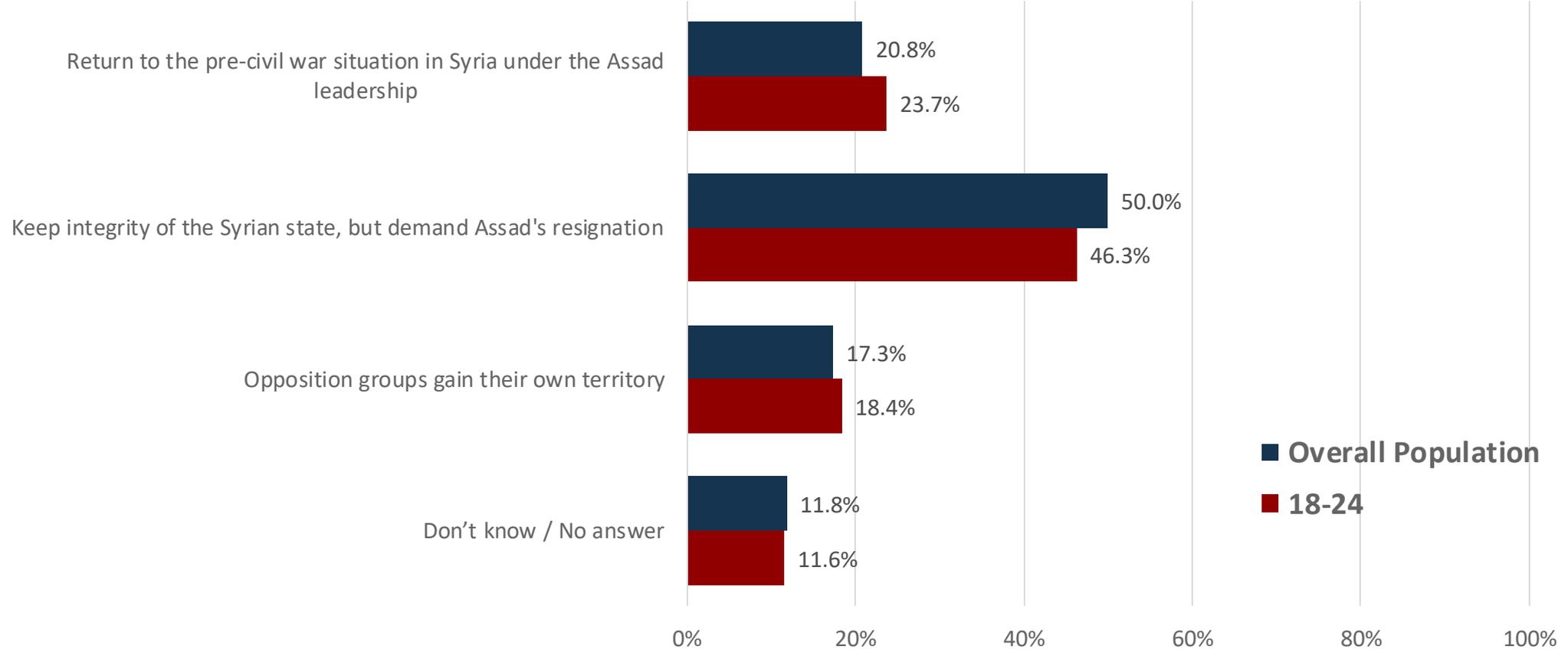
“Some people believe the best way to ensure peace is primarily military force, while others think the best way to ensure peace is to resort to negotiations for resolving disputes. Which one of these views resonates with you the most?”

The Role Turkey Should Play in Russia's War Against Ukraine



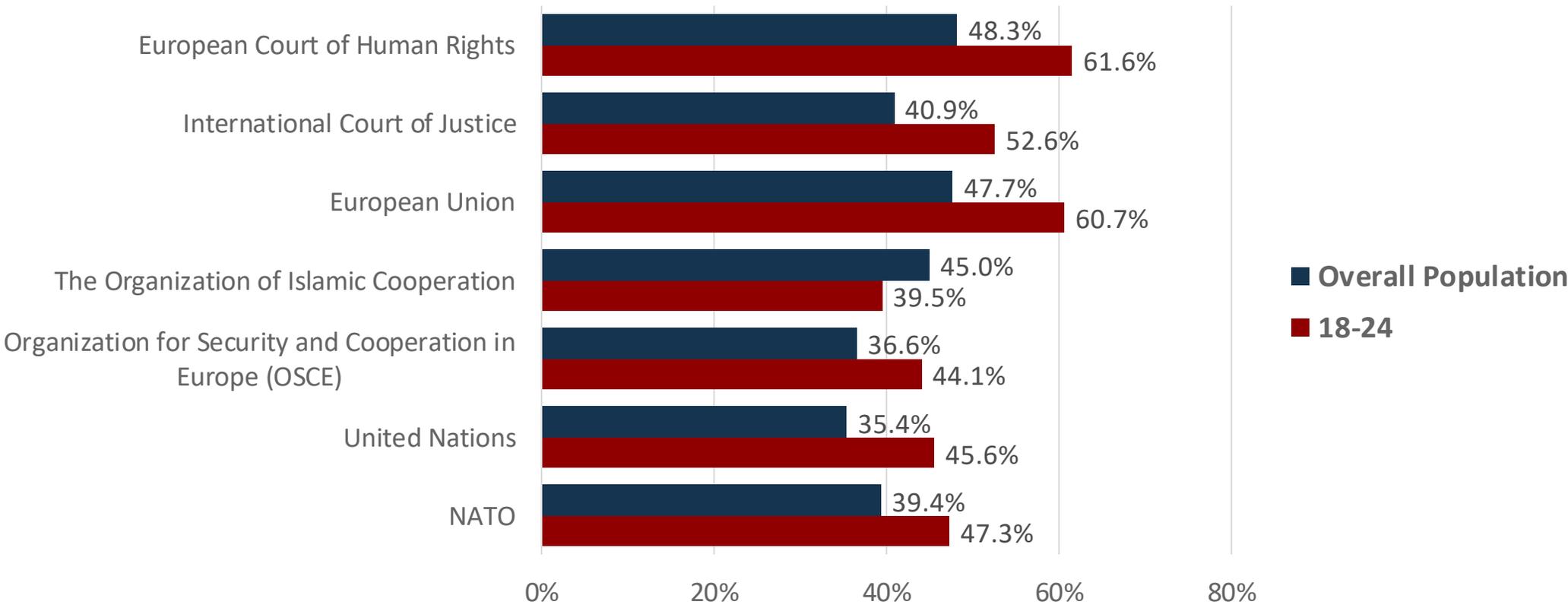
“As you know, there has been military tension going on between Russia and Ukraine for some time. Which of the following best describes the role Turkey should play in this conflict?”

Solution to the Syria Crisis



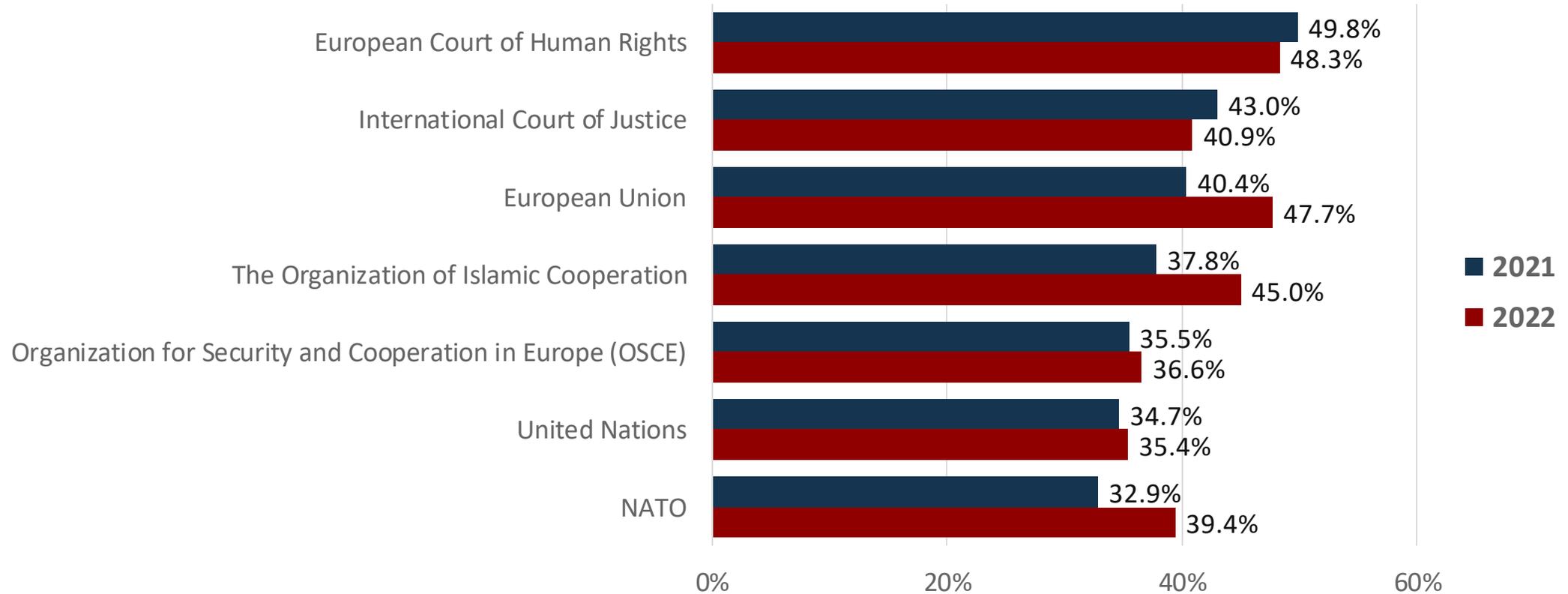
“When you think about the latest developments in Syria, which of the following would you prefer to happen?”

Trust in International Institutions – Percentage of Participants Who “Trust”



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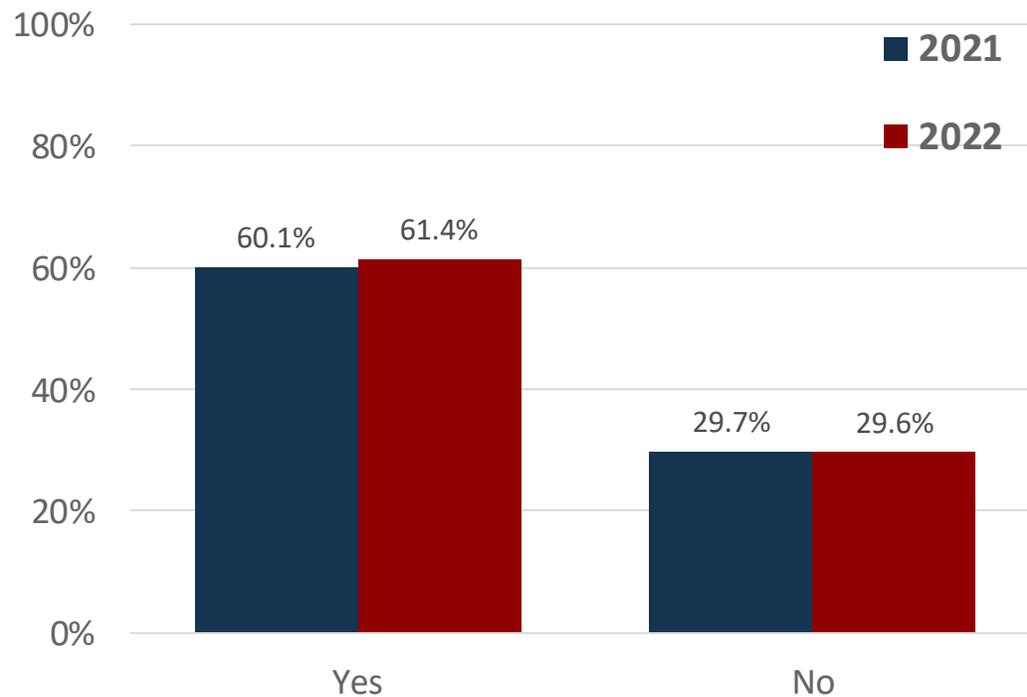


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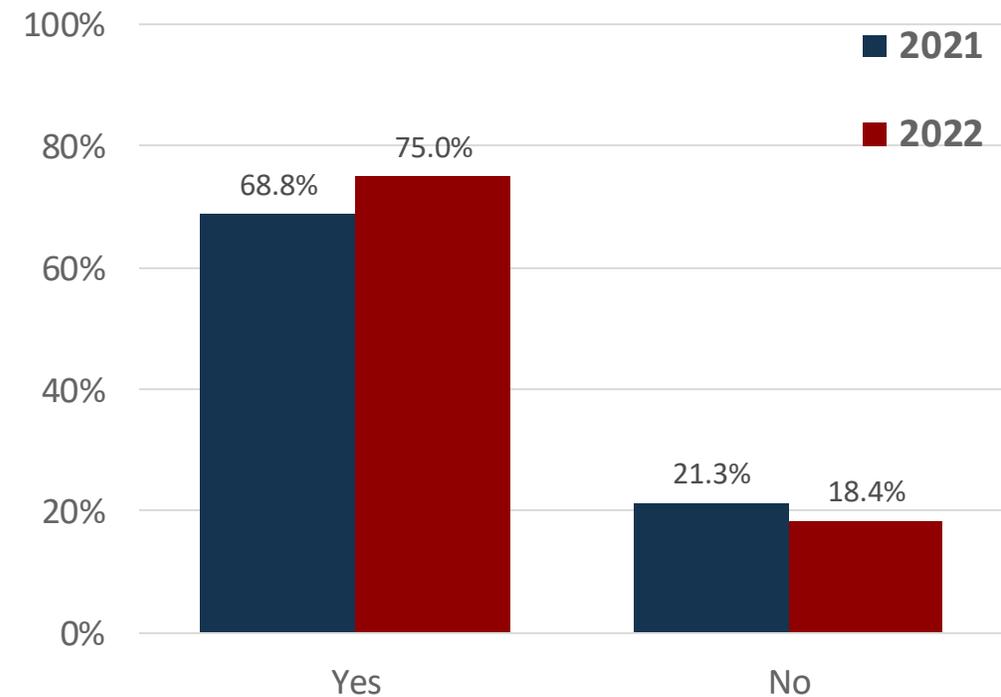
The European Union

A Hypothetical Referendum on Turkey's EU Membership

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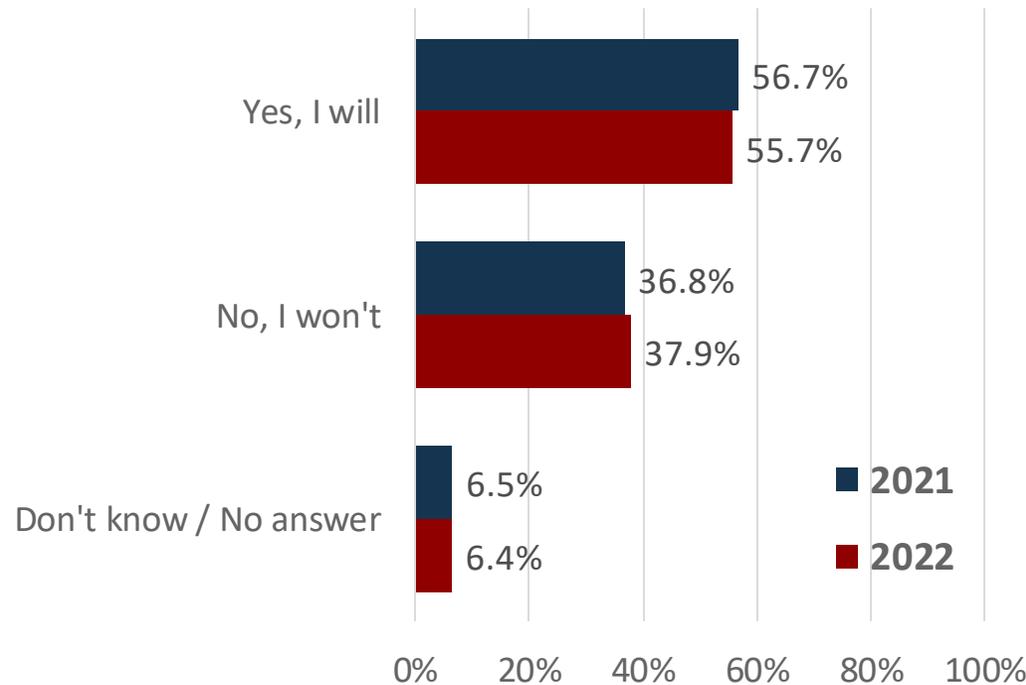
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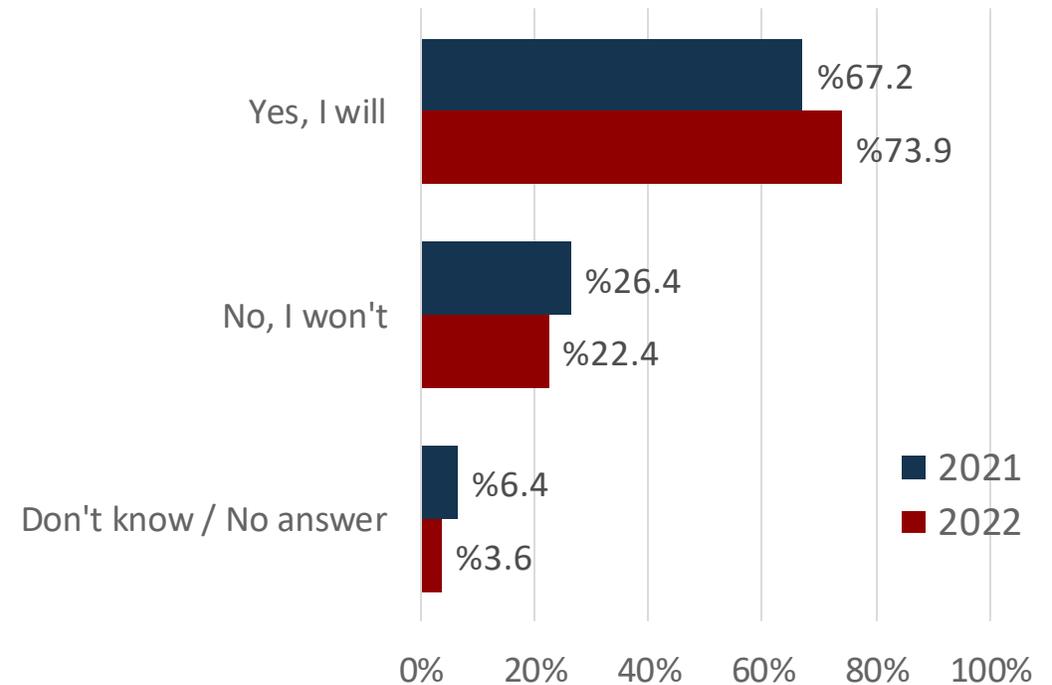
«If there were a referendum this Sunday on full membership of Turkey to the European Union, how would you vote?»

Will You Personally Benefit from Turkey's EU Membership?

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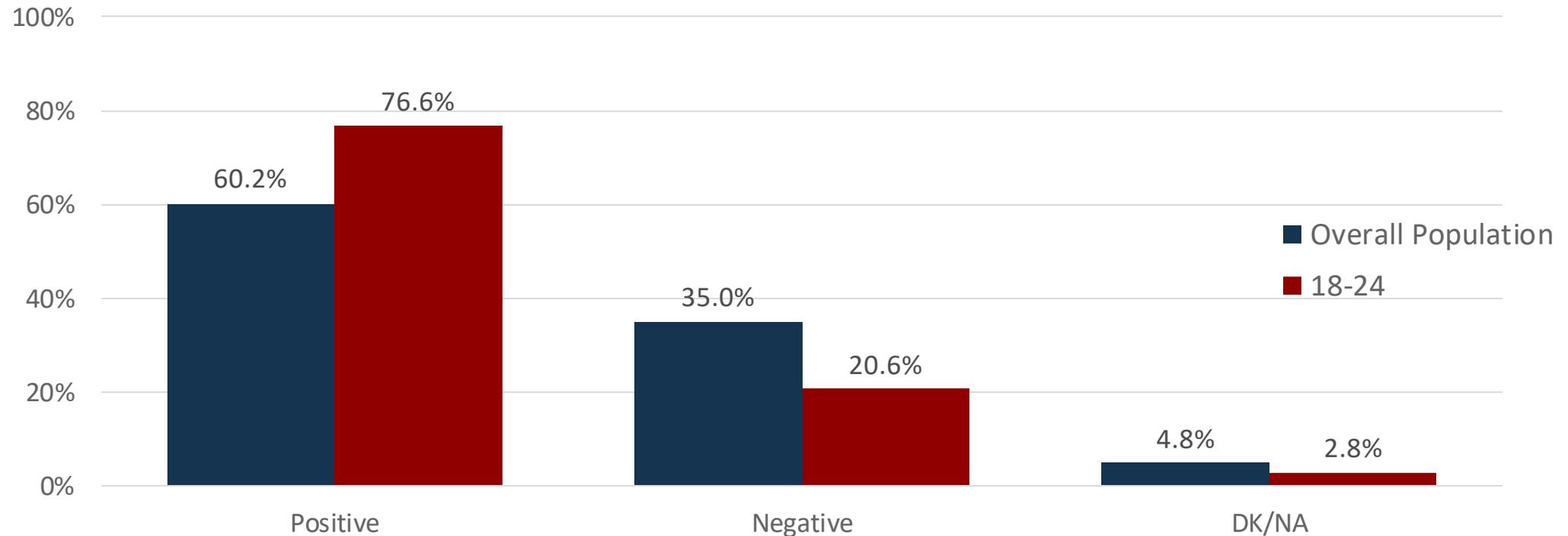


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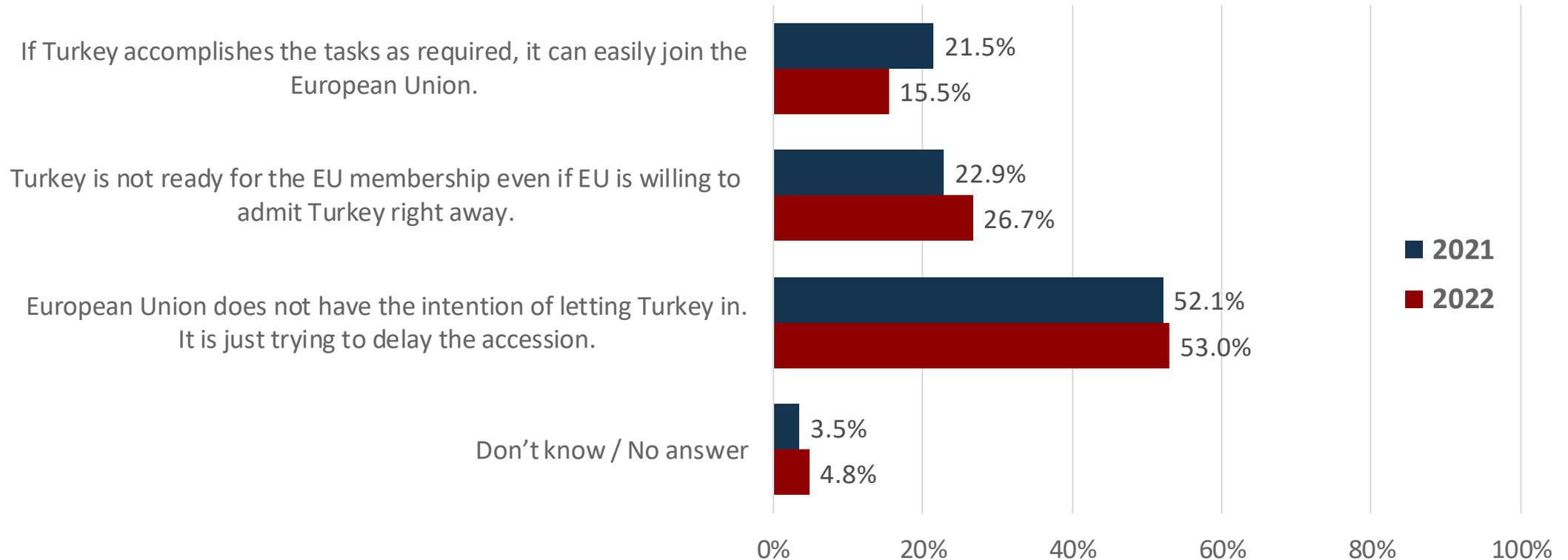
“Do you think you will personally benefit from Turkey’s EU membership?”

Attitudes Toward Europeans



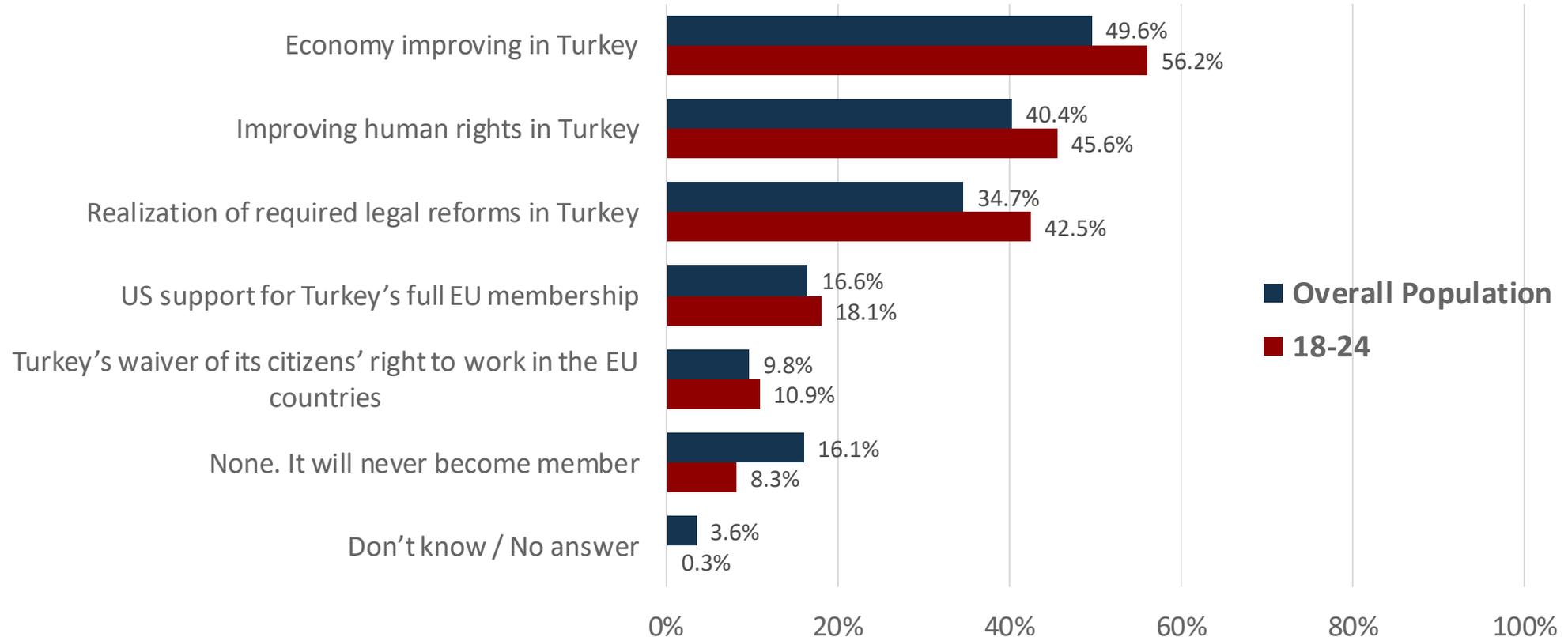
«All things considered, is your attitude toward Europeans positive or negative?»

Opinion on Turkey's Accession to the EU



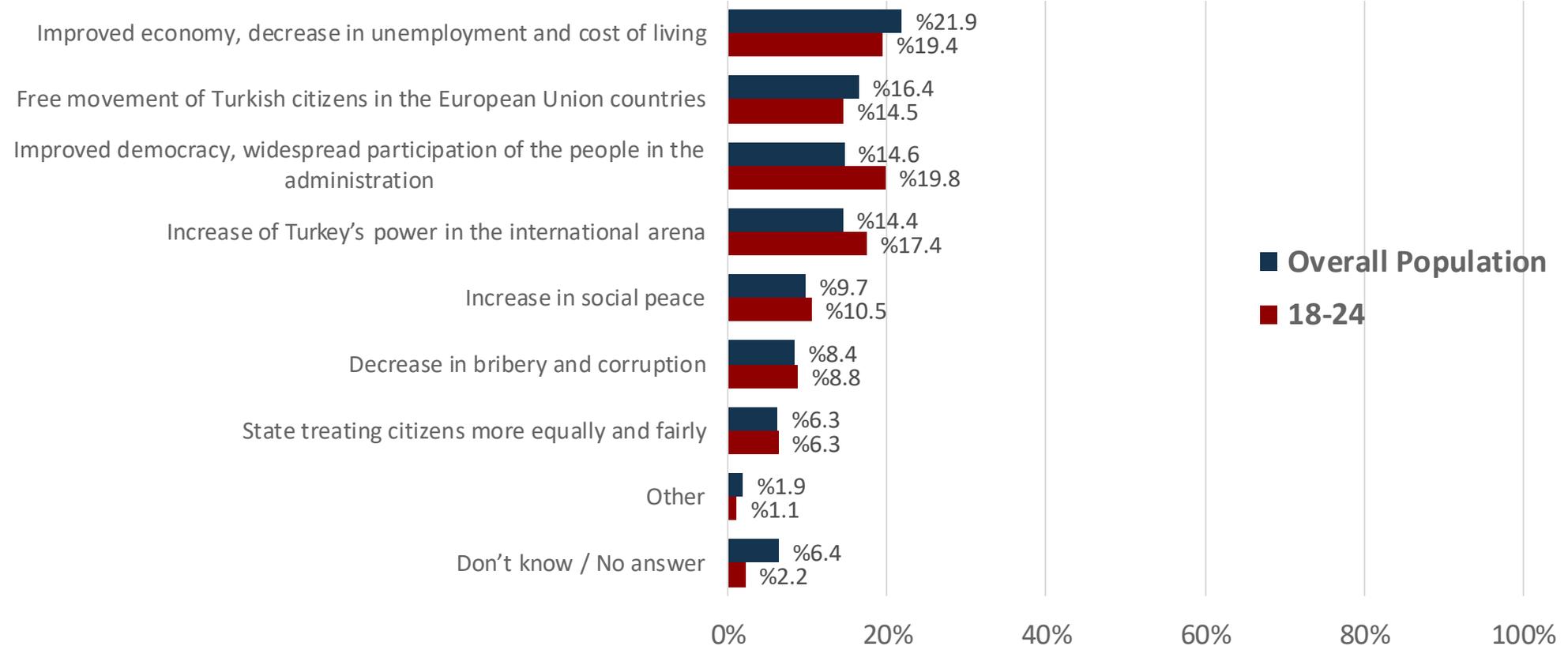
«From the opinions I will read to you, which one is closer to yours regarding Turkey's EU membership?»

Factors that will Facilitate Turkey's Full EU Membership (2 Answers)



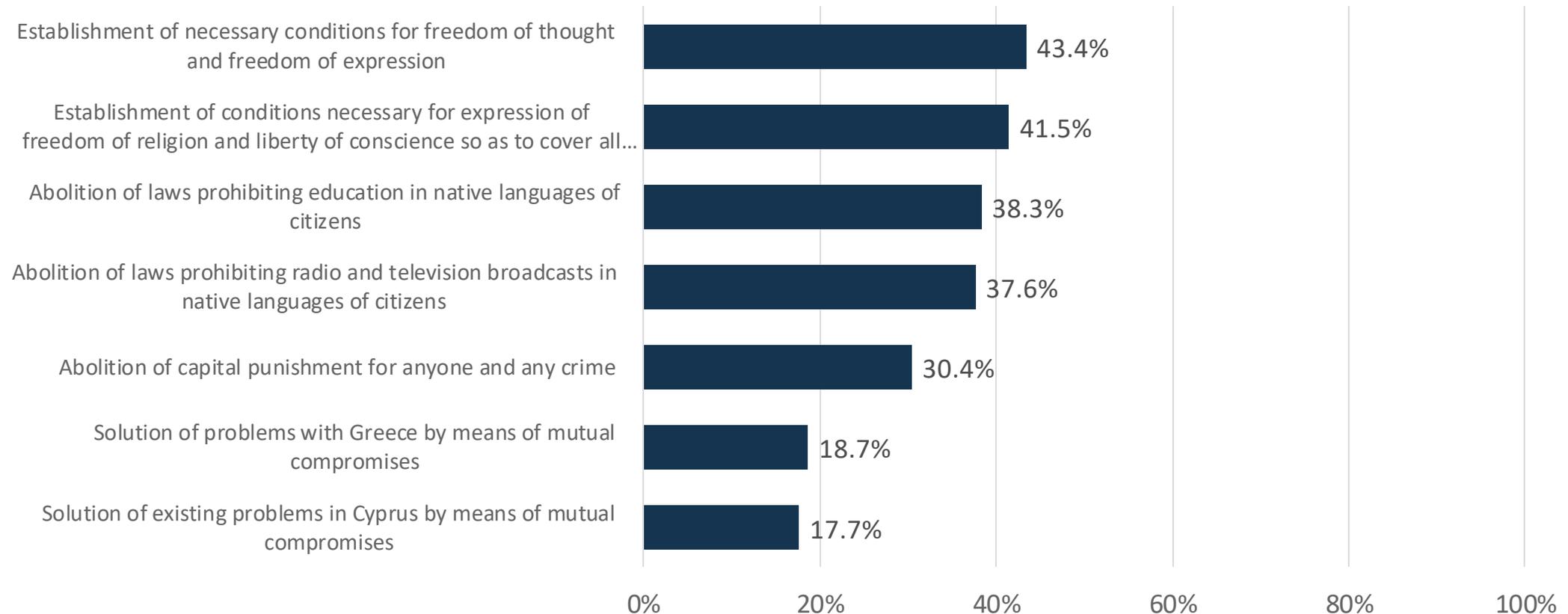
“Which one of the following will facilitate Turkey's full EU membership?”

The Most Important Benefit of EU Accession for Turkey



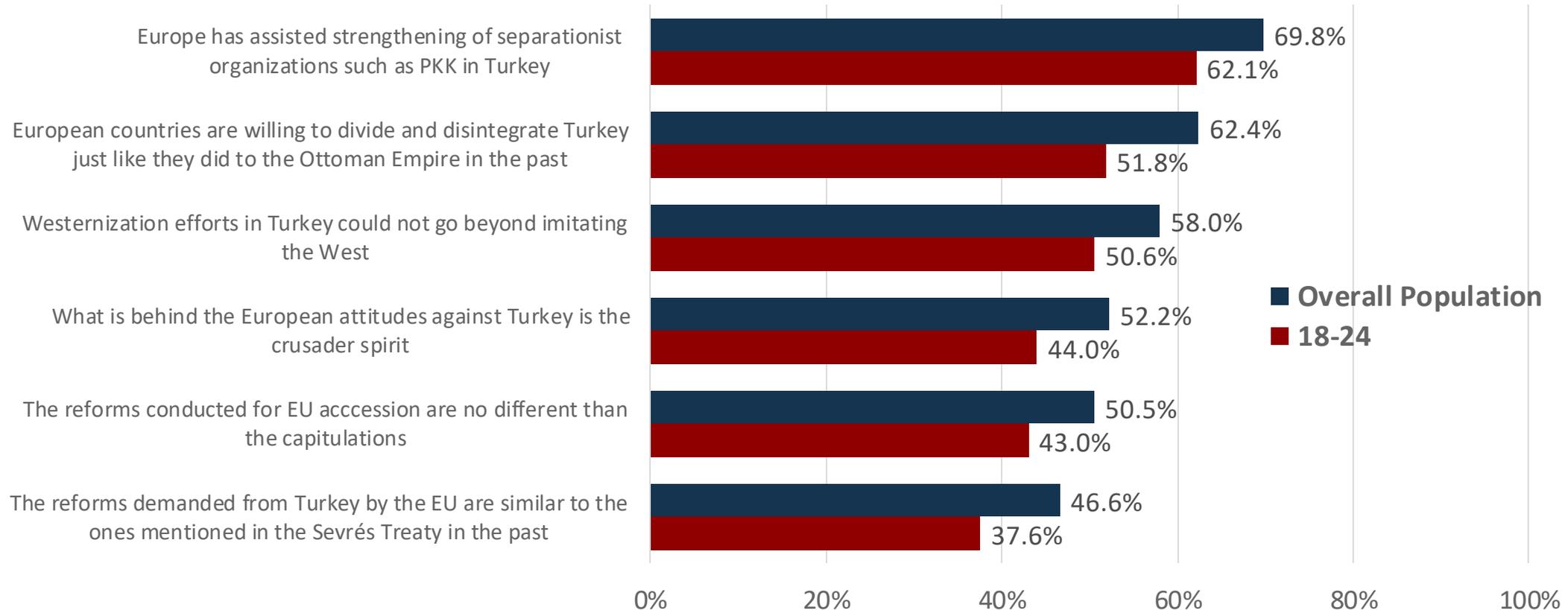
“What will be the most important benefit of EU accession for Turkey?”

Approval for EU Reforms (Percentage of Participants who “Approve”)



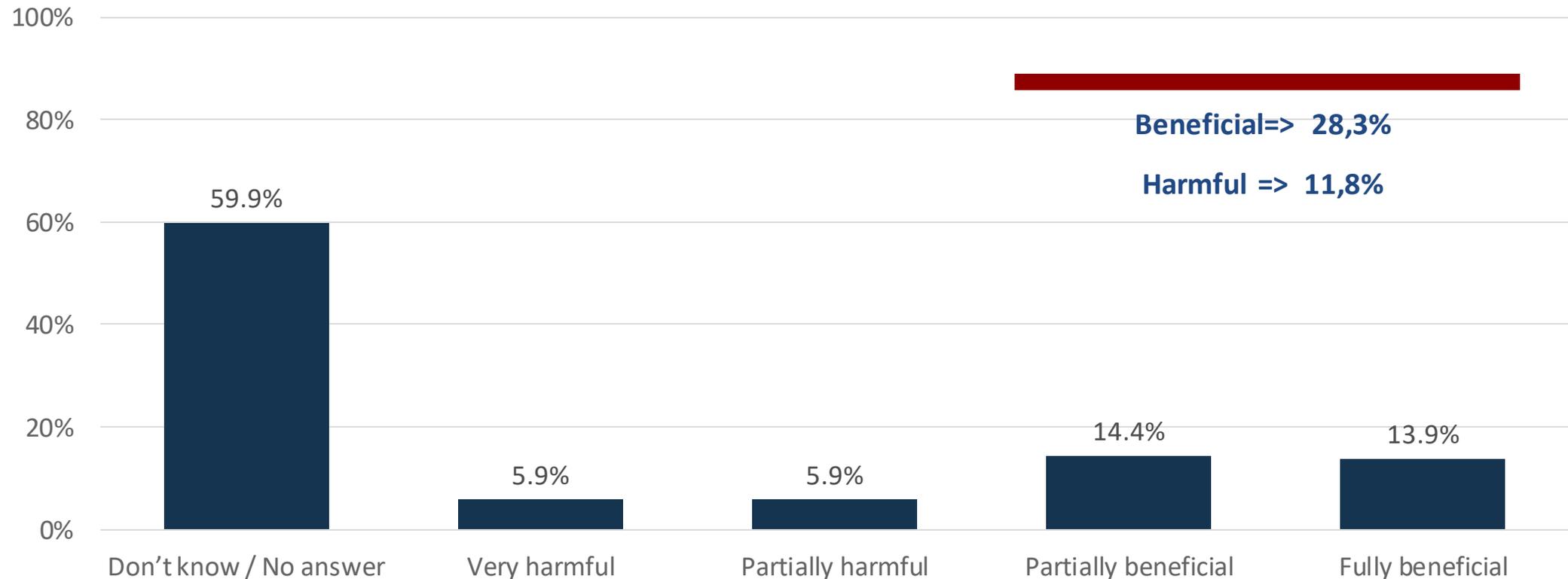
«There are some changes that Turkey adopted as part of the EU accession process. Could you indicate your level of approval for each of these changes on a scale of 1 to 10; “1” being “Do not approve at all” and “10” being “Fully approve”?»

Views on Turkey's Relations with Europe (Percentage of Participants who "Agree")



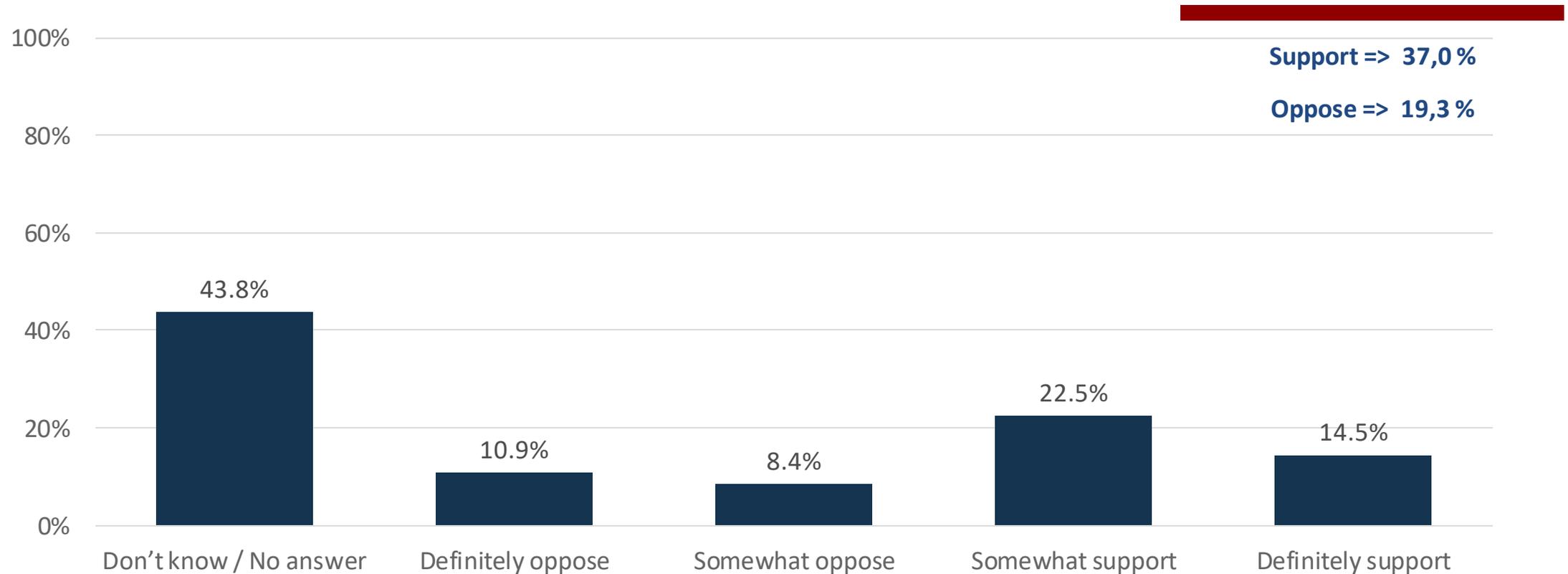
«Now, I will read to you some of the views supported with regard to our relations with Europe. Could you indicate your preference about each view by selecting "I totally agree", "I agree", "I do not agree" or "I totally disagree"?»

Customs Union: Beneficial or Harmful for Turkey?



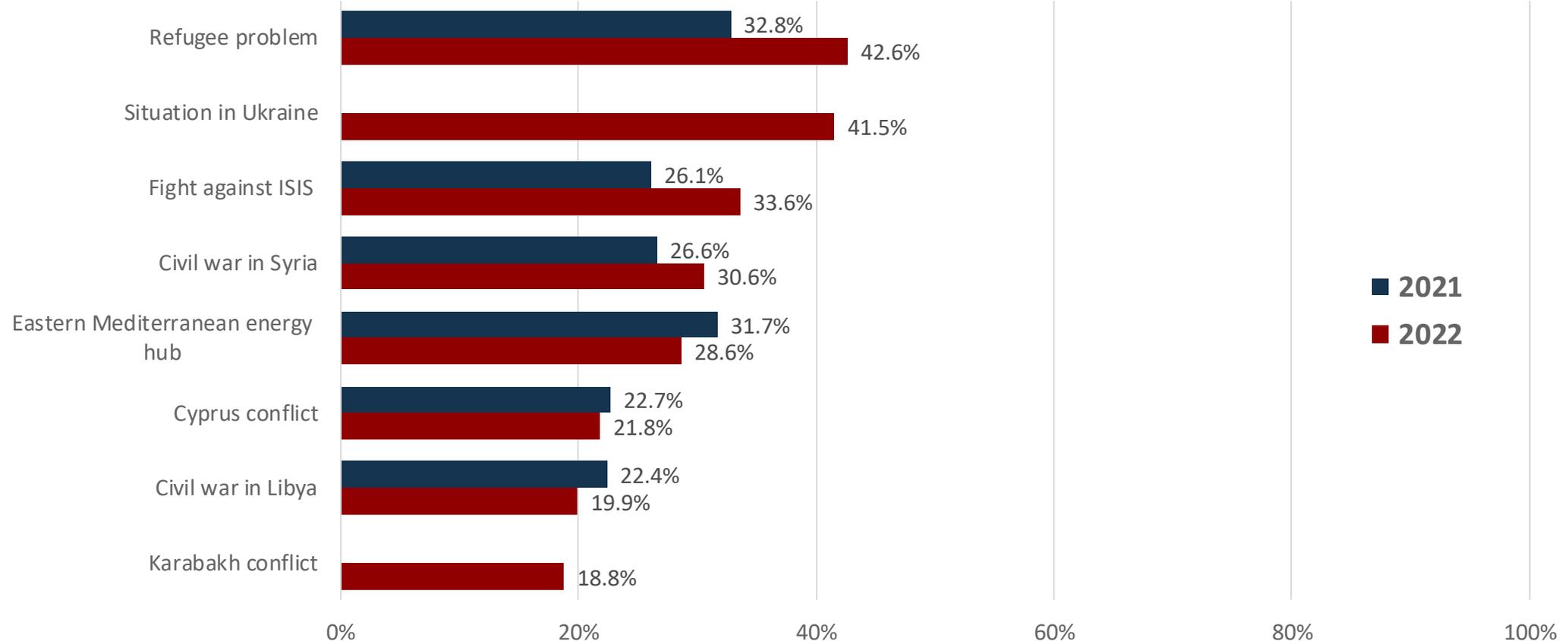
“As you know, Turkey and European Union signed a Customs Union agreement in 1995. Do you think such cooperation has benefited Turkey’s economy or not? Has it done so fully or partially?”

Support for Customs Union Modernization



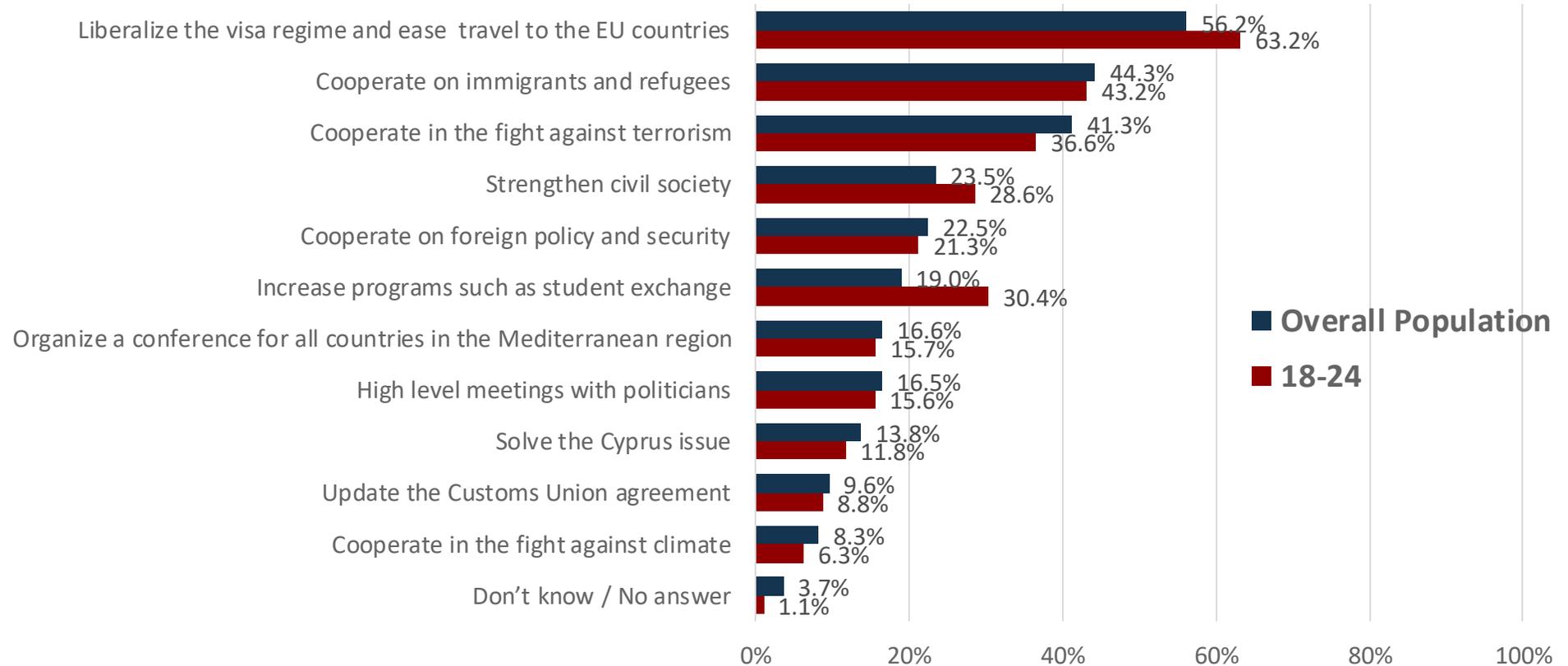
“Within the framework of updating the Customs Union between Turkey and European Union, would you support or oppose the mutual inclusion of services, public procurement and agriculture sectors within the Customs Union?”

Common Interests between Turkey and the EU



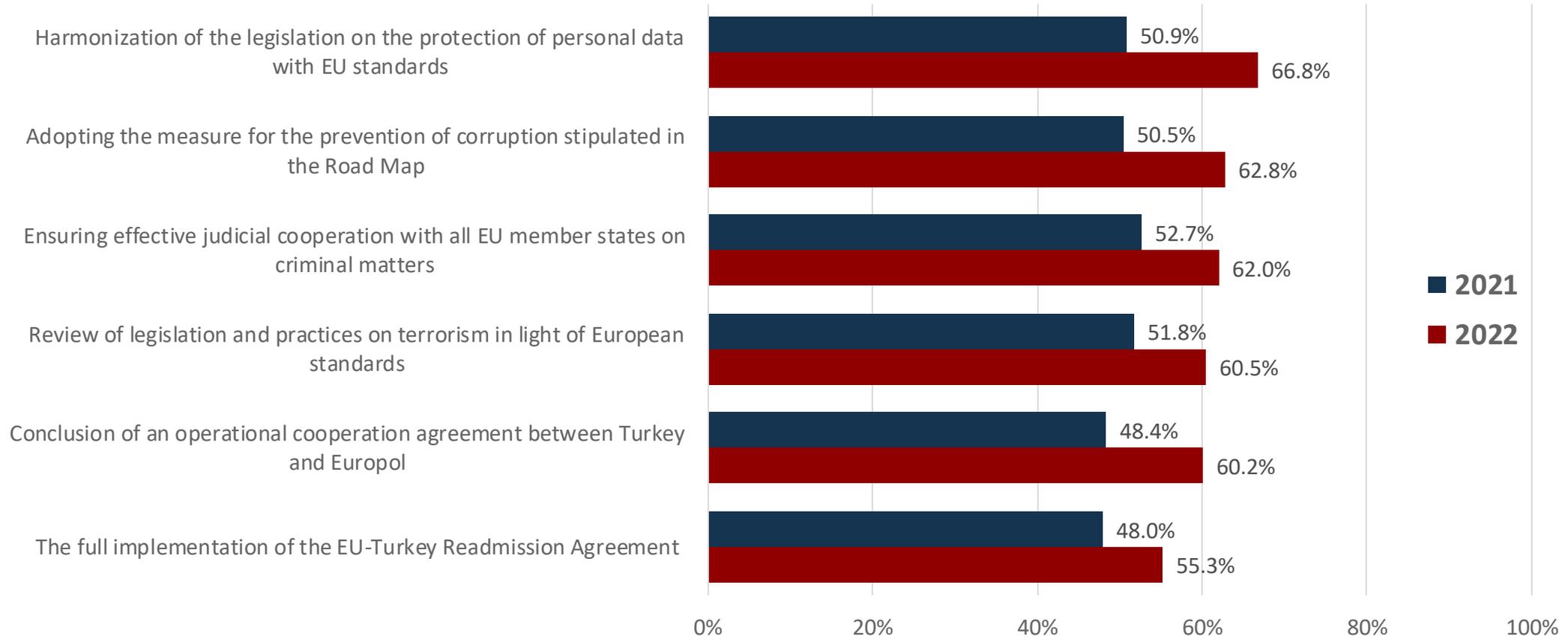
“Now, I will read some foreign policy issues Turkey currently faces. Do you think Turkey has common or contradicting interests with Europe on these issues?”

What Would Improve EU-Turkey Relations ? (3 Responses)



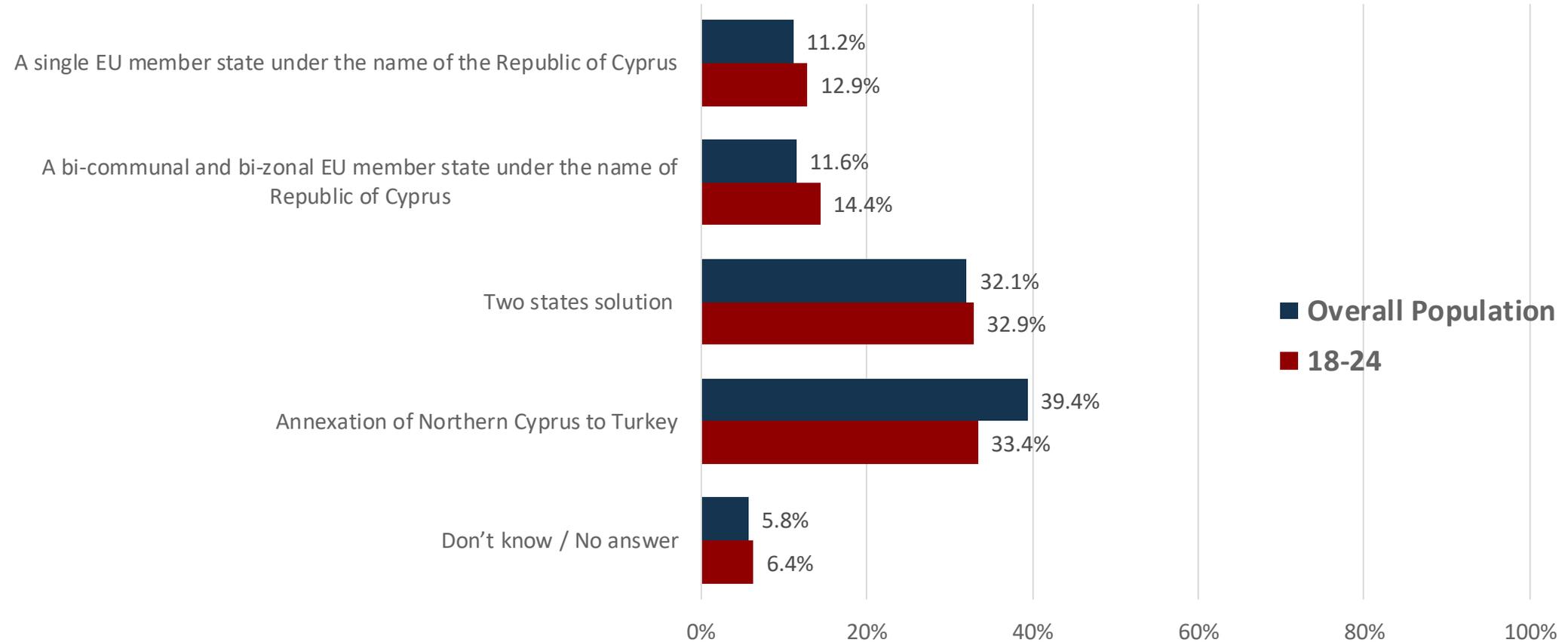
“Now, I will read some actions that might improve relations between Turkey and the European Union. Which of these actions do you think would make the most positive contribution to the relationship? Which ones are the second and third most important?”

Support for the Criteria Turkey needs to Fulfill for Visa Liberalization



«Turkey needs to fulfill remaining 6 criteria in order to conclude a visa liberalization agreement with the European Union. Now, I will read to you these criteria one by one. Do you support or oppose to fulfillment of these criteria?»

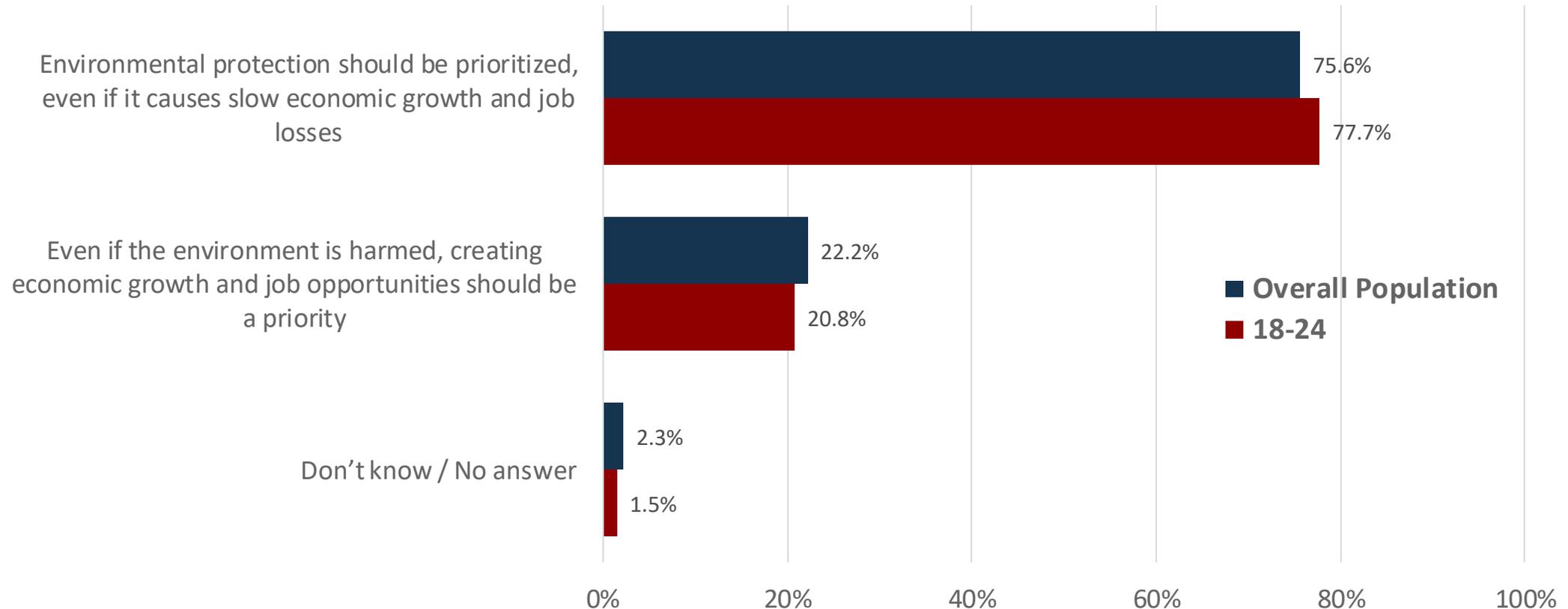
How to Solve the Cyprus Problem



“What do you think should happen to solve the Cyprus problem our country is facing?”

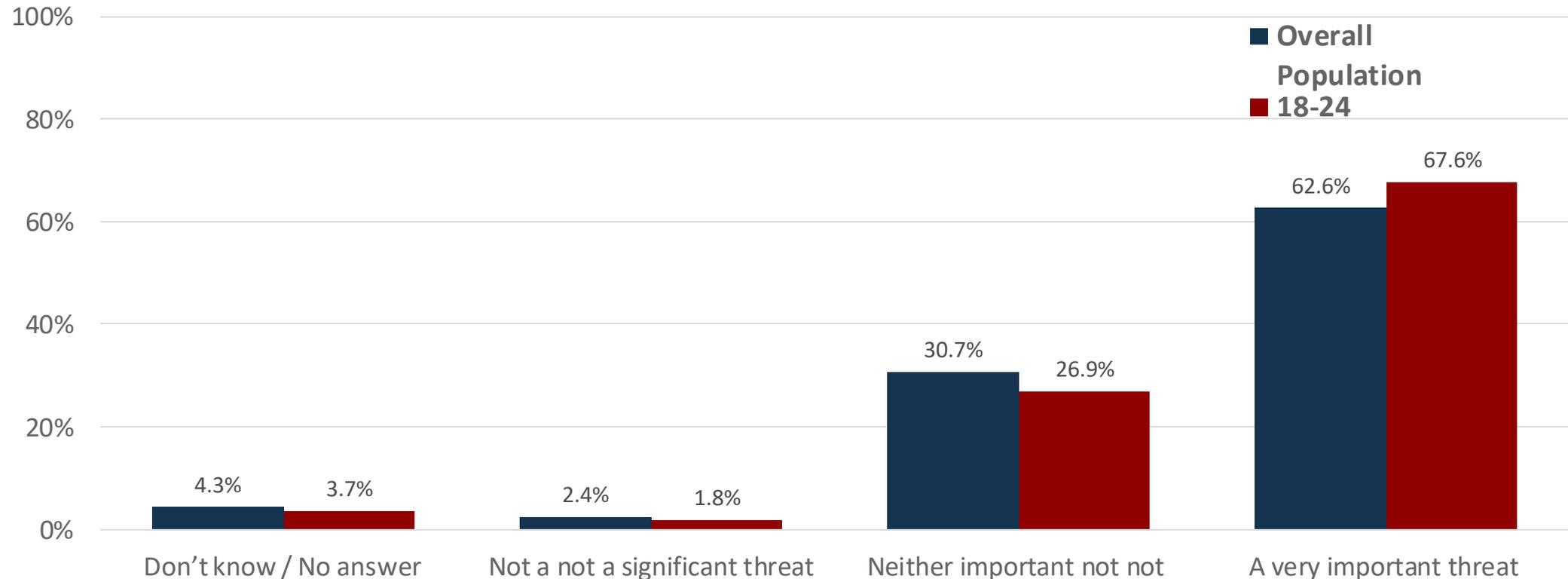
Climate Change

Economic Growth vs Environment



“There are two different viewpoints about economic growth and the environment. Which one of these is closer to your opinion?”

How Important a Threat is Climate Change to Our World?



«In your opinion, how important a threat is climate change to our world? Could you please indicate your answer in the scale that I will show you where 0 means “not a significant threat at all” and 10 means “a very important threat”?»