



Public Attitudes in Georgia

Results of August 2015 survey carried out for
NDI by CRRC Georgia

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Why We Conduct Polls?

- Foster the development of more responsive policies and governance;
- Help stakeholders diagnose and address issues of public concern;

- ☐ leaders from across the political spectrum have reported that the polls are important to their work and encourage continued polling;

- ☐ Inclusive process: the polling instrument was developed in consultation with parties, government, and civil society leaders;

Information about the poll

- Fieldwork dates: August 8 – September 10, 2015
- 4, 448 completed interviews
- A nationally representative sample of citizens of Georgia including Urban, Rural, East Georgia and West Georgia areas and settlements densely populated by ethnic minorities. Also additional representative samples of the self governing cities of Additionally, representative sample is present for the self-governing cities of Tbilisi, Kutaisi, Batumi, Zugdidi, Gori, Telavi, Akhaltsikhe, Ozurgeti, Mtskheta and of Gurjaani municipality.
- The average margin of error is +/- 3,01%

Methodology

Sample design

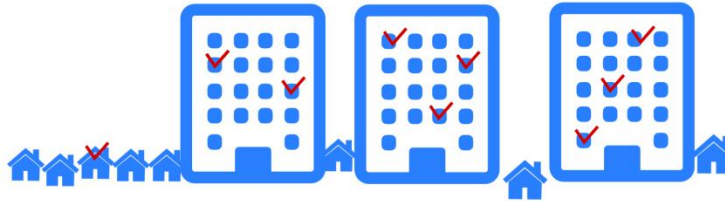
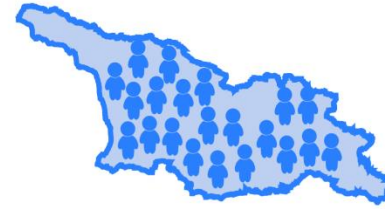
NDI and CRRC use a complex survey design:

- ✓ **Stratification** – dividing population in relatively homogenous sub-groups
 - ✓ **Clustering** – randomly selecting small geographic areas for each subgroup (stratum)
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- 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, in one of the three languages – Georgian, Armenian and Azeri

How NDI Survey is Conducted

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At the first stage, CRRG randomly selects voting precincts in Georgia. Interviewers are sent there with given starting point, directions for walking, step size, number of contacts.

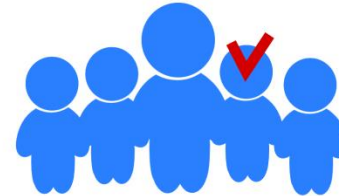


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Interviewer randomly selects households according to the given step size, e.g. every 3rd, 5th, 8th...

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The respondent is selected randomly, with special method - so called Kish grid. Selected respondent cannot be replaced.

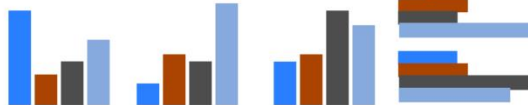
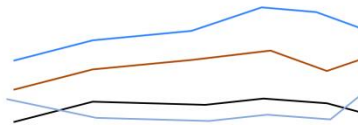


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Interviewer conducts an interview with the selected household member. Interviewer uses tablet computer and a special software.

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Interviewer submits the results via the internet to the special server.

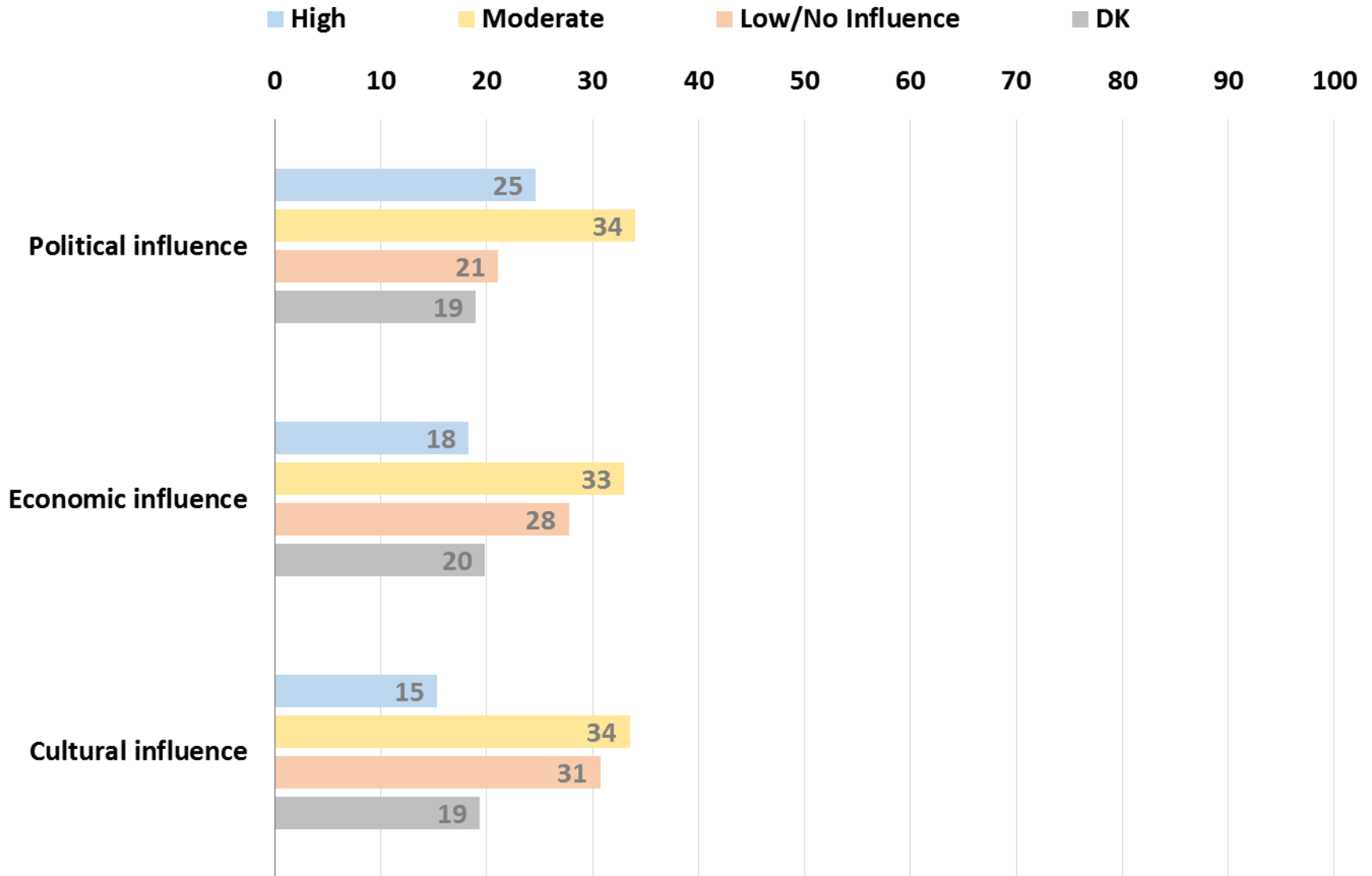


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CRRG cleans and analyses collected data, which later is presented to the public.

Foreign Policy

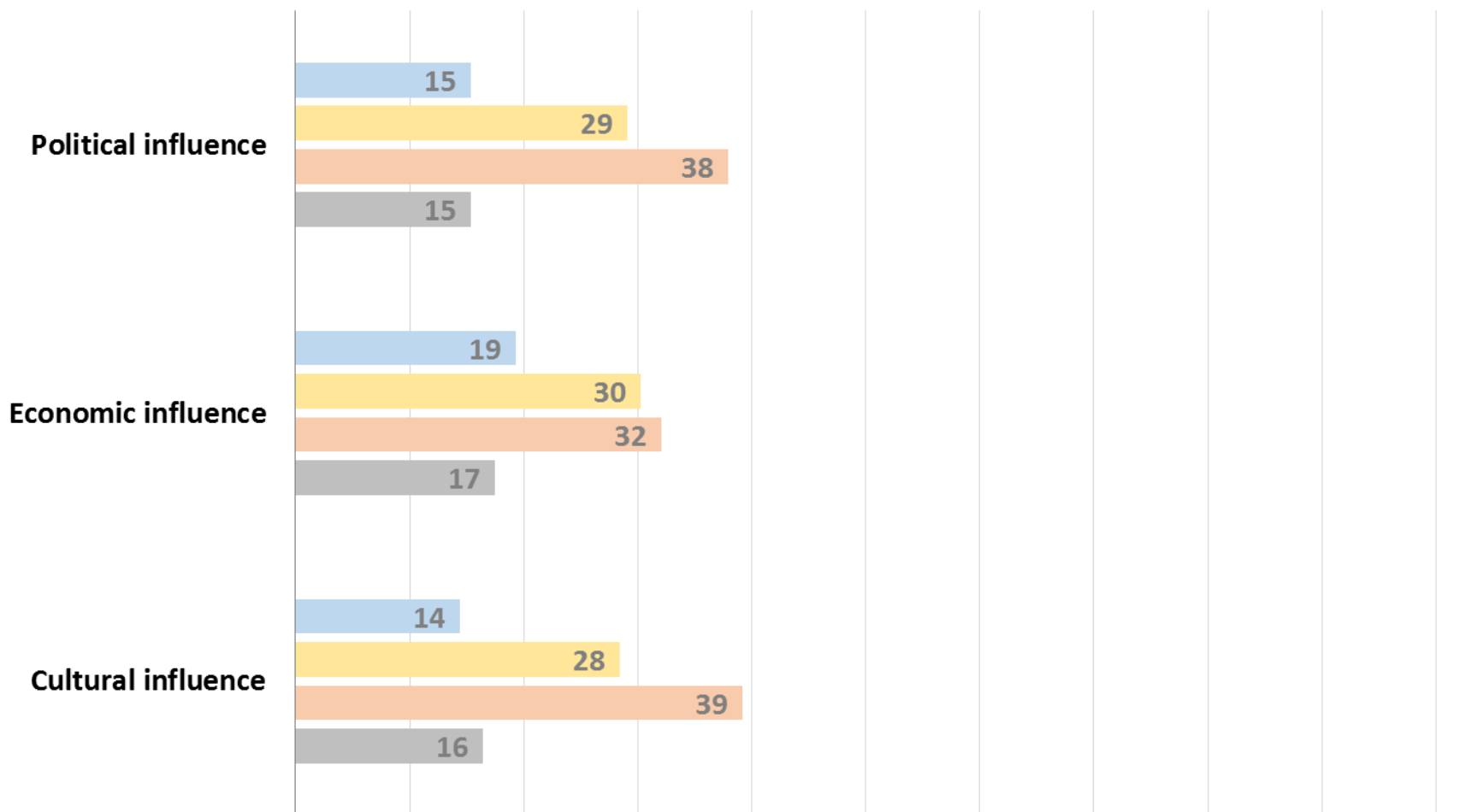
How much ... influence does EU have on Georgia? (q46-q48)



How much ... influence should EU have on Georgia? (q49-q51)

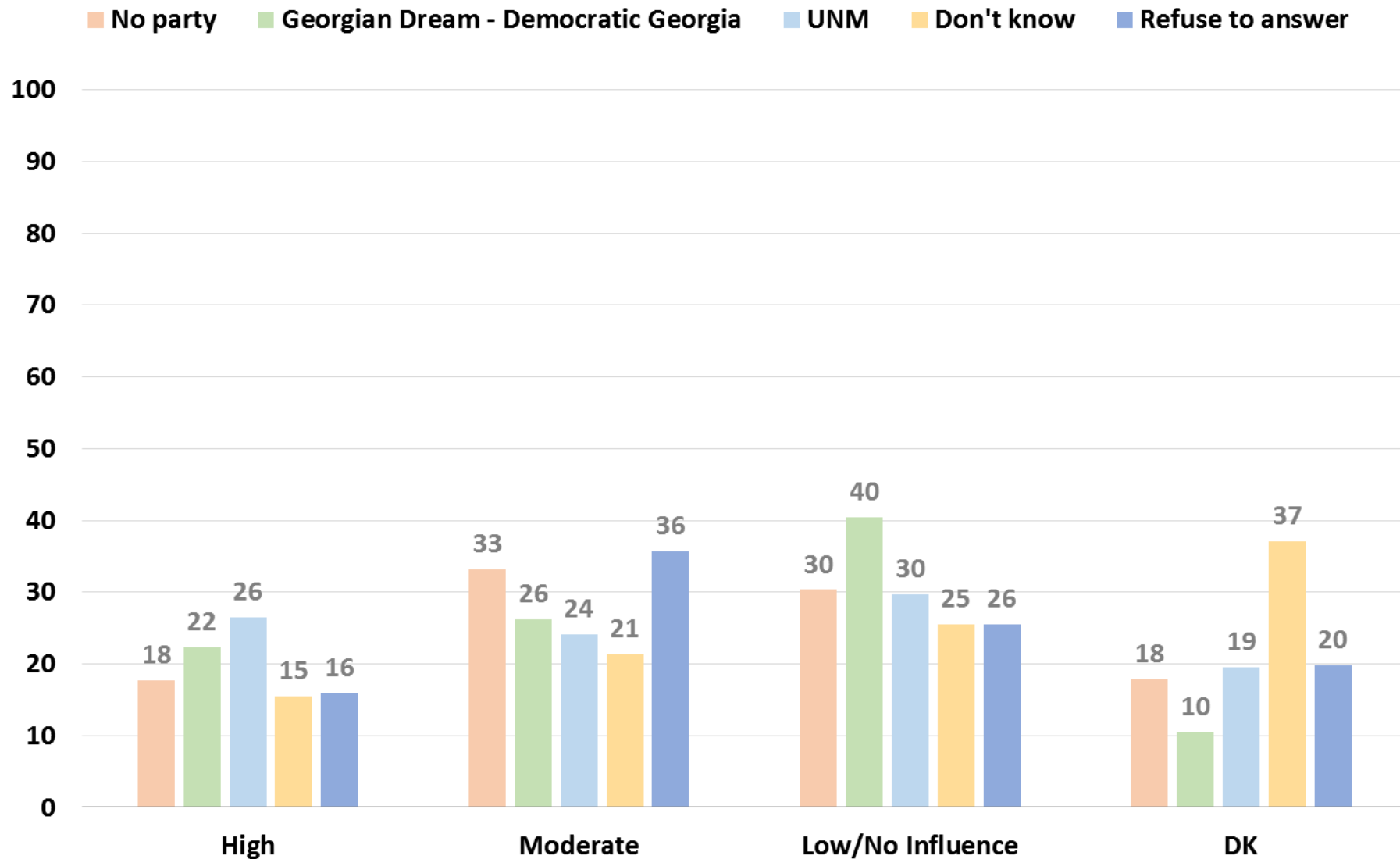
High Moderate Low/No Influence DK

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How much economic influence should EU have on Georgia?

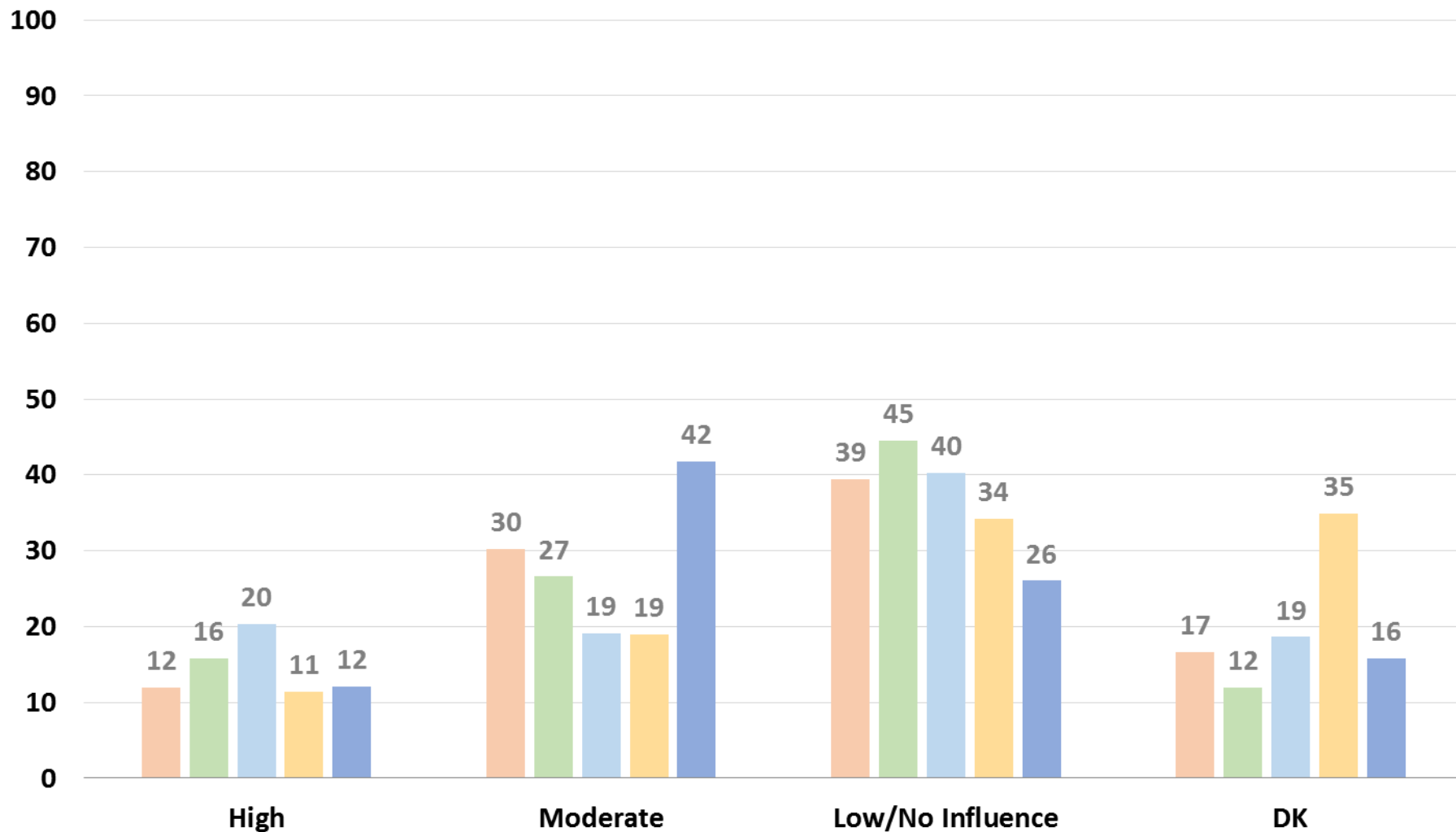
(q49 X Party closest to you)



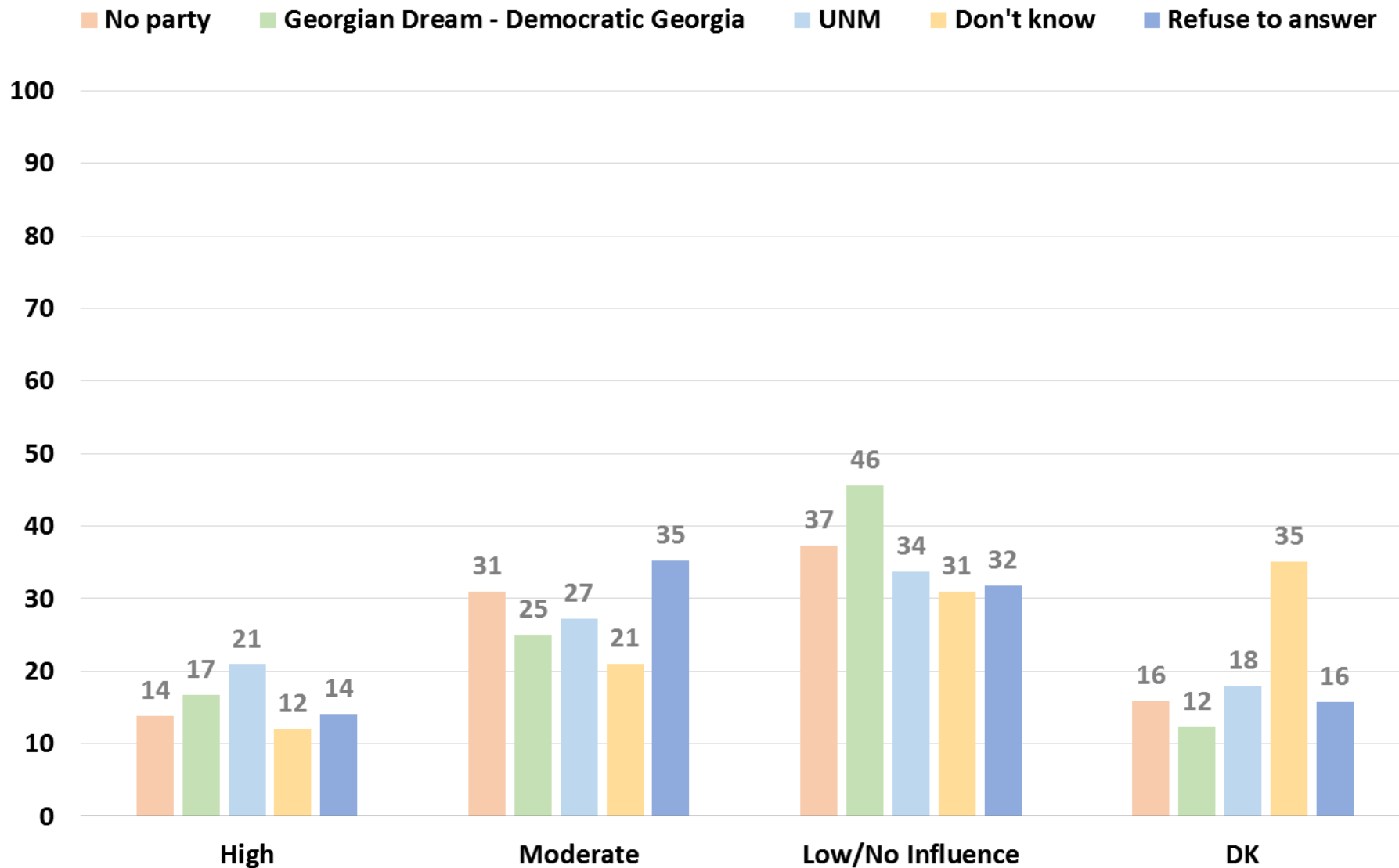
How much cultural influence should EU have on Georgia?

(q50 X Party closest to you)

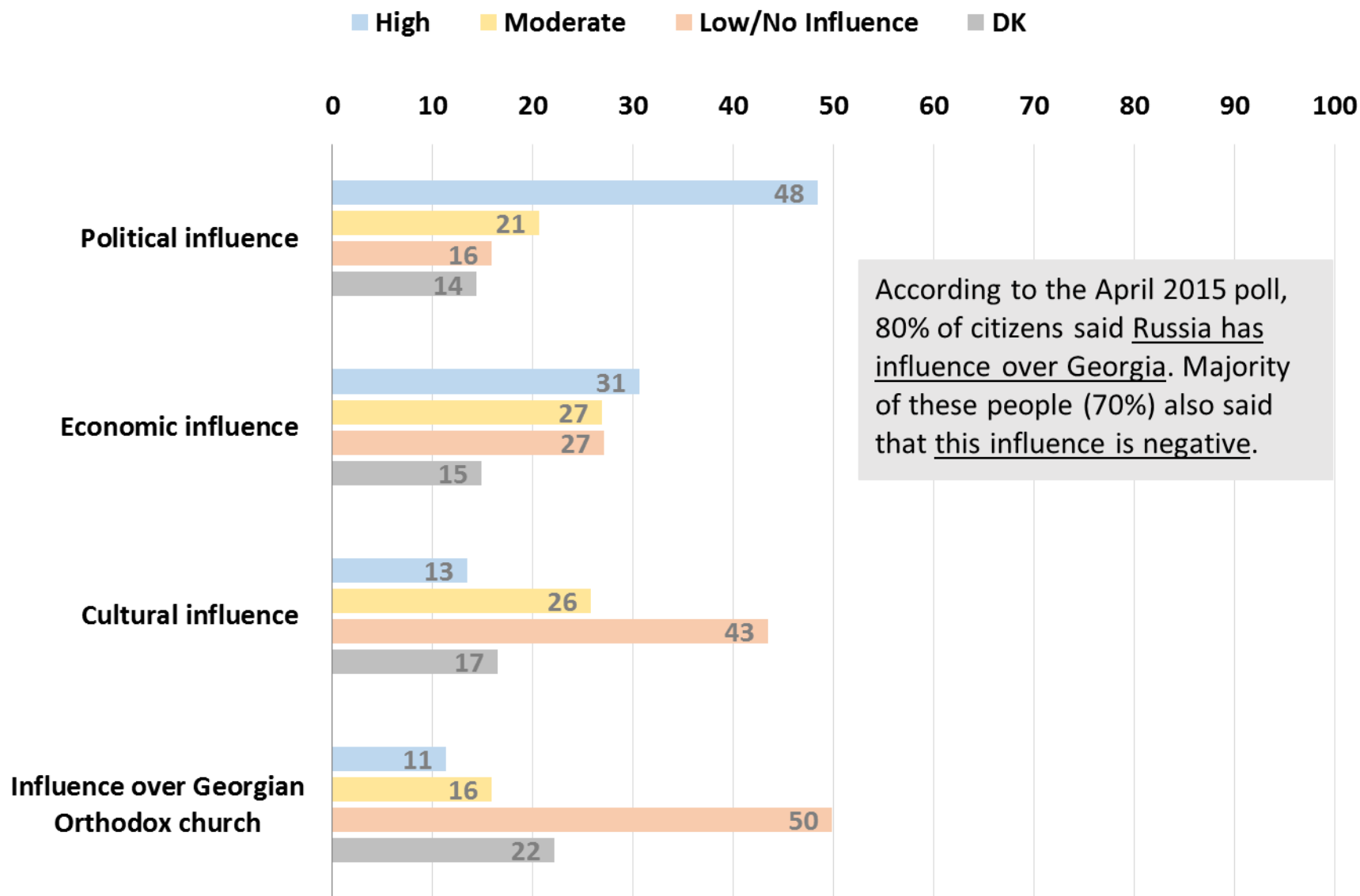
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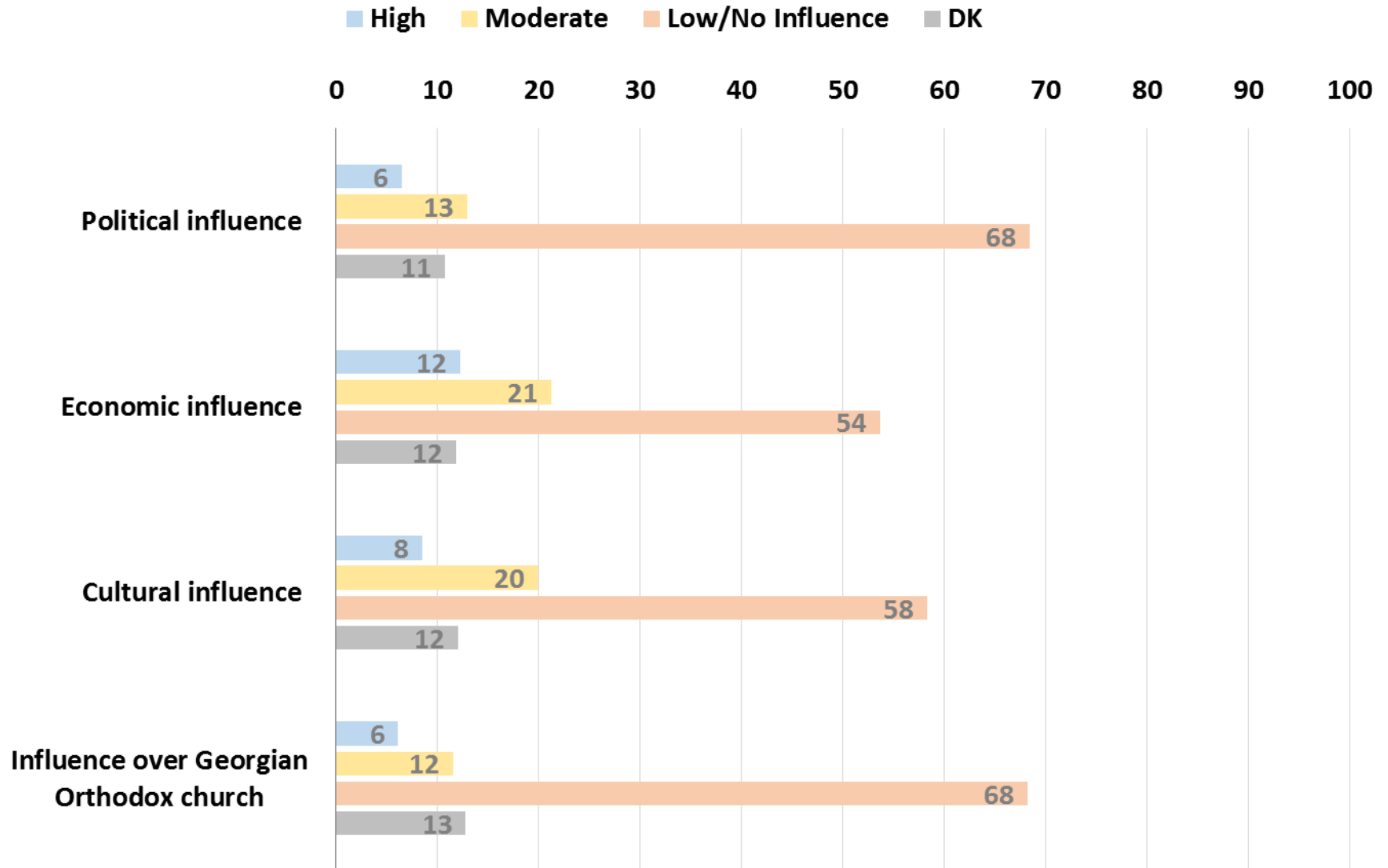
How much political influence should EU have on Georgia? (q51 X Party closest to you)



How much ... influence does Russia have on Georgia? (q37-q40)

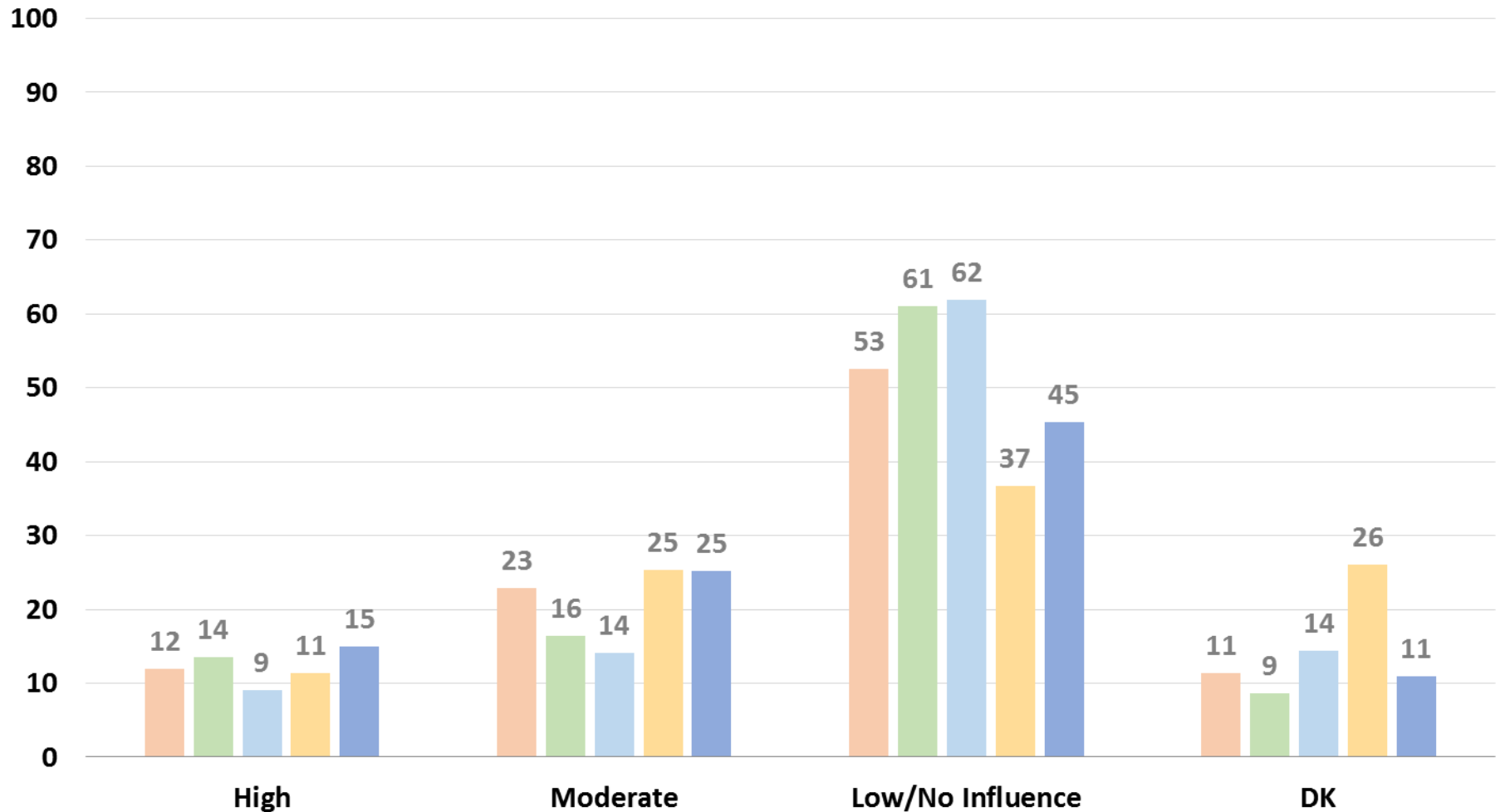


How much ... influence should Russia have on Georgia? (q41-q44)



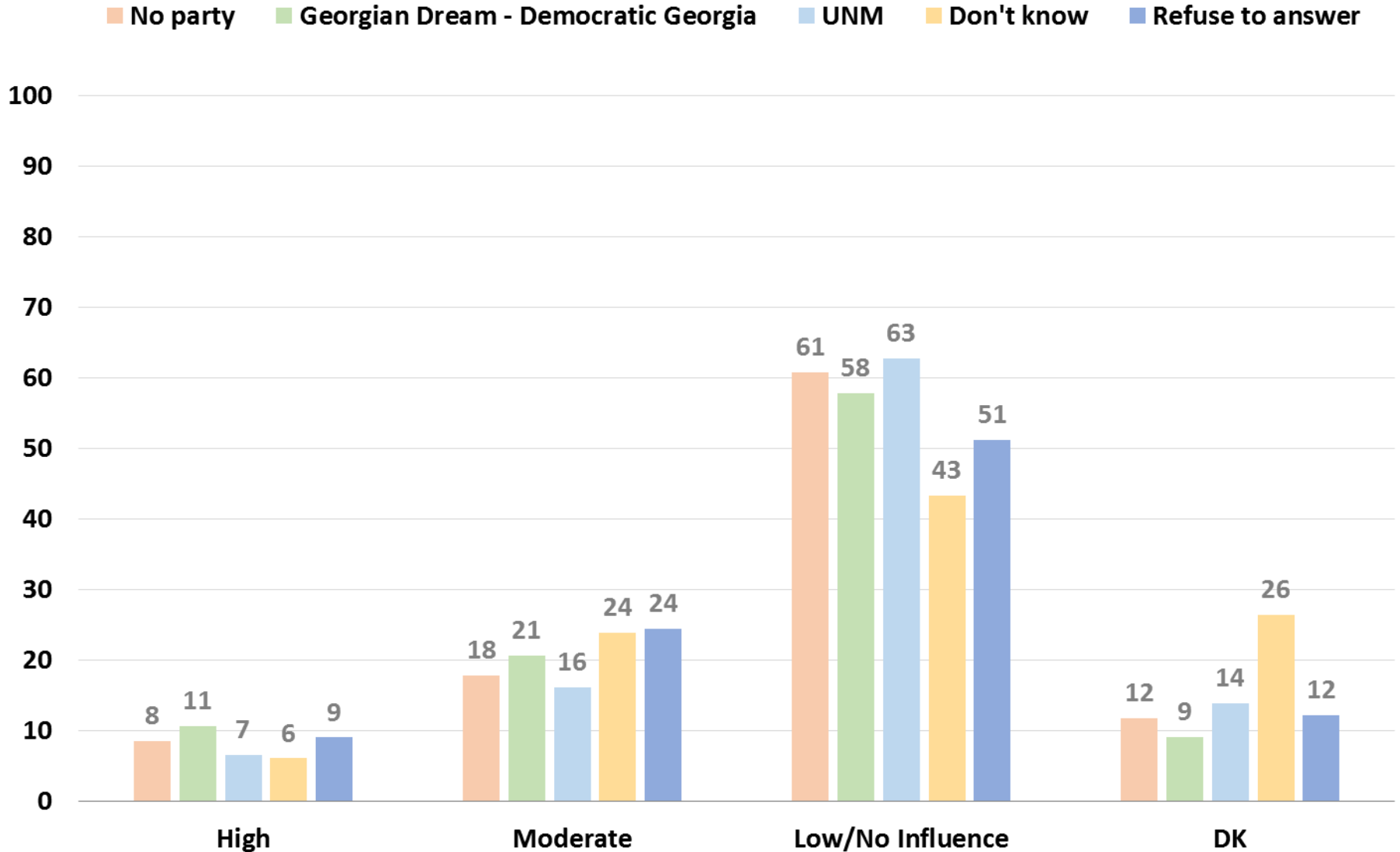
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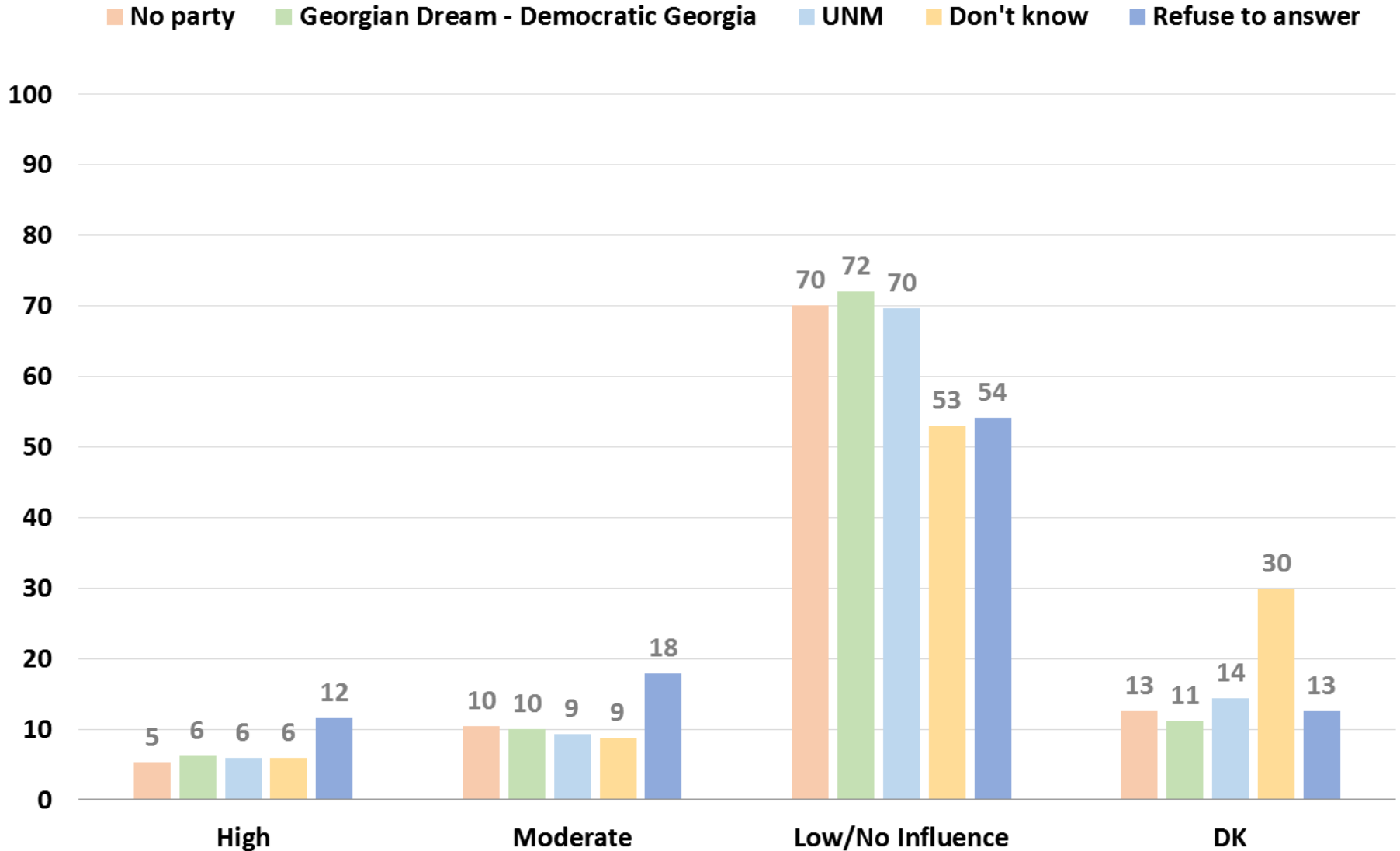


How much cultural influence should Russia have on Georgia?

(q42 X Party closest to you)

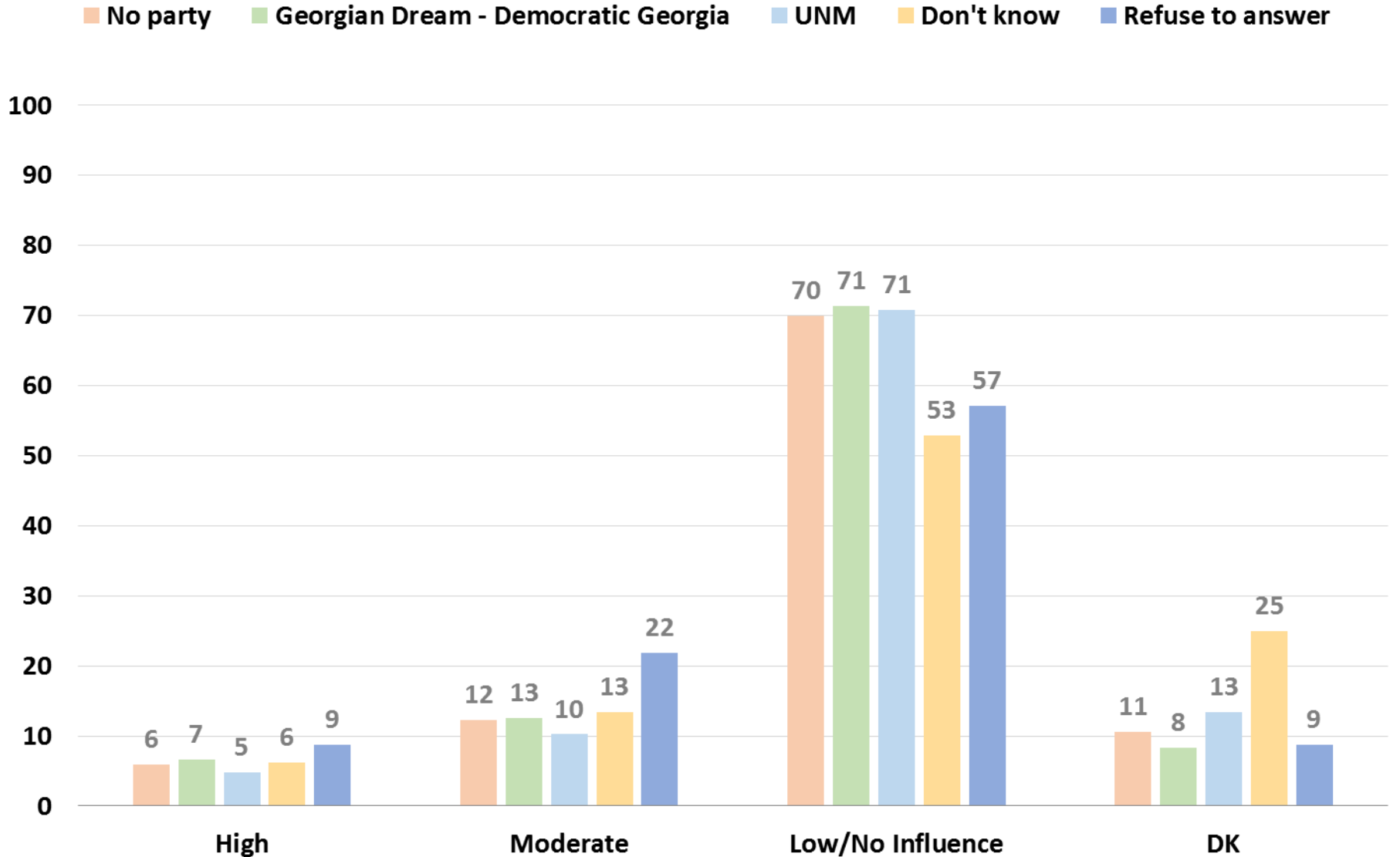


How much influence should Russia have on the Georgian Orthodox church? (q43 X Party closest to you)

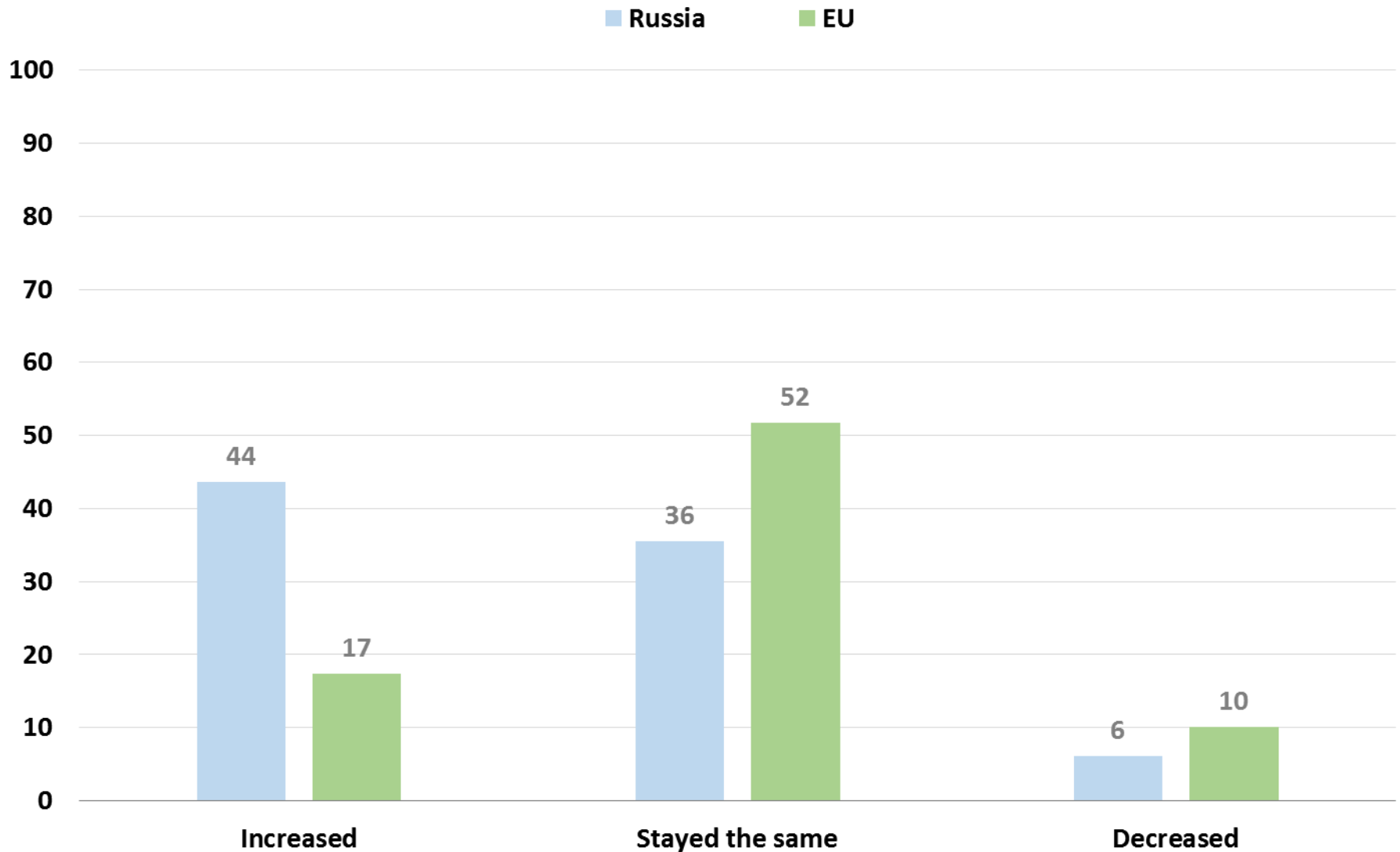


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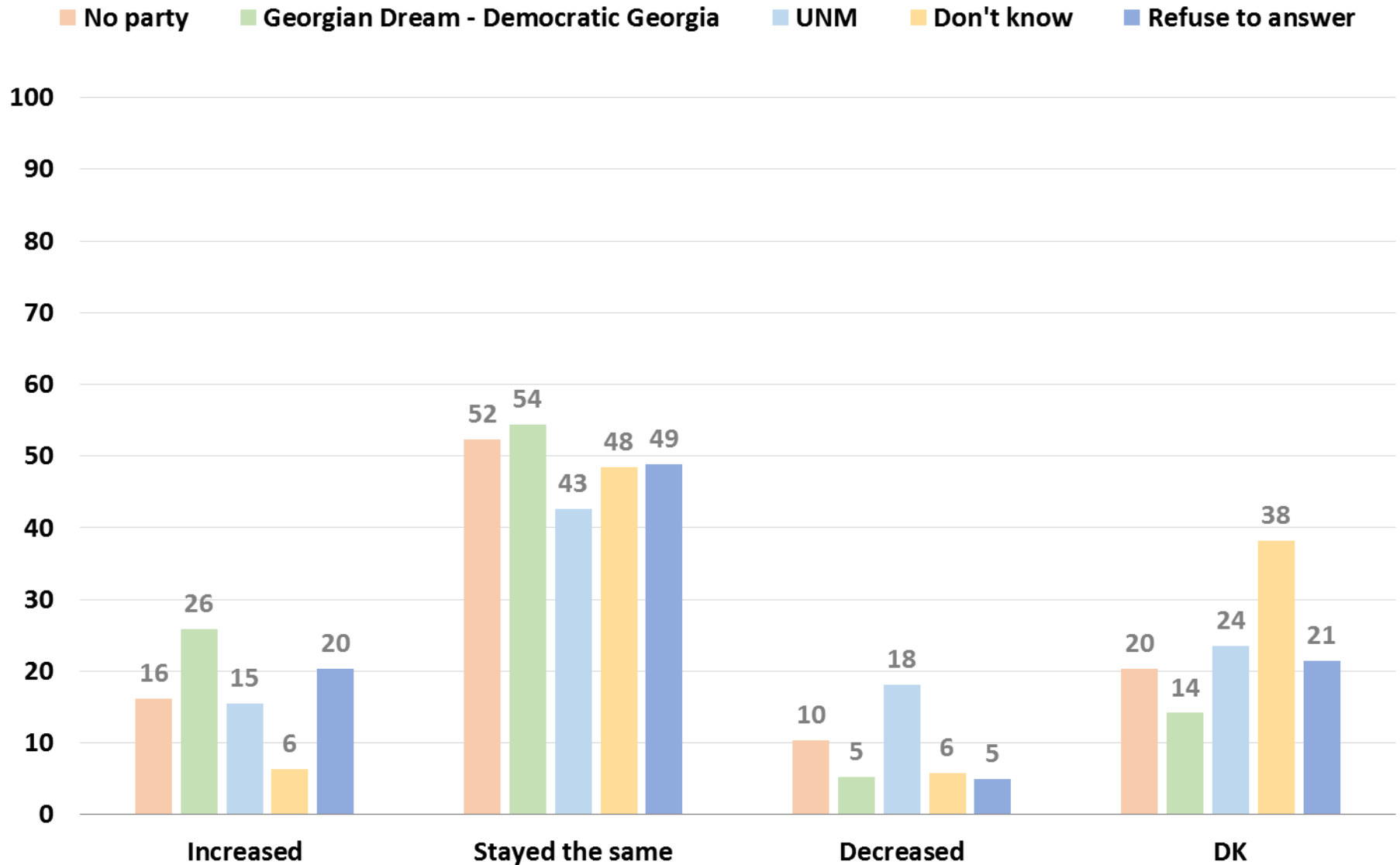
(q44 X Party closest to you)



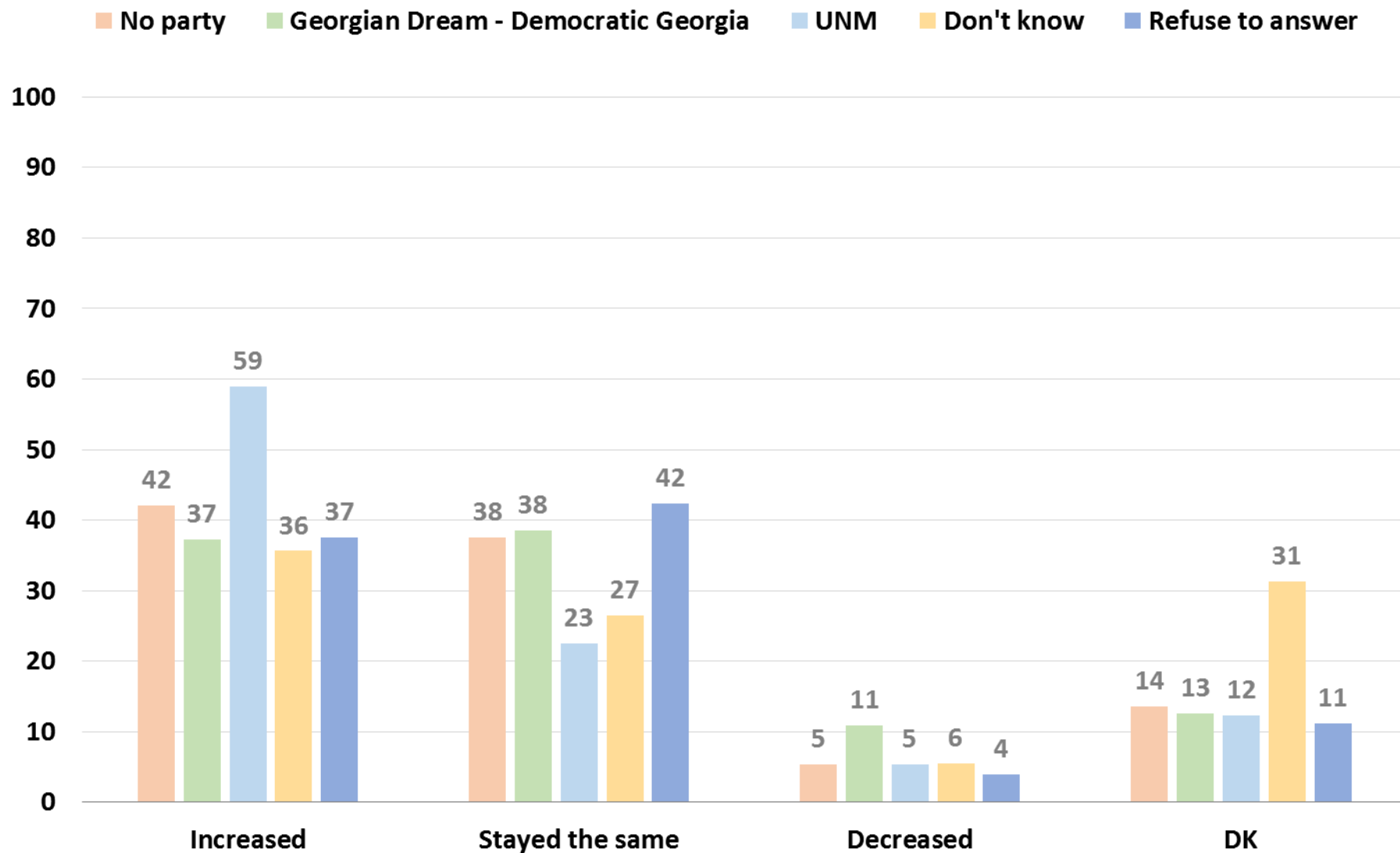
Overall, has Russian/EU influence on Georgia increased, decreased or stayed the same since 2012? (q45/q52)



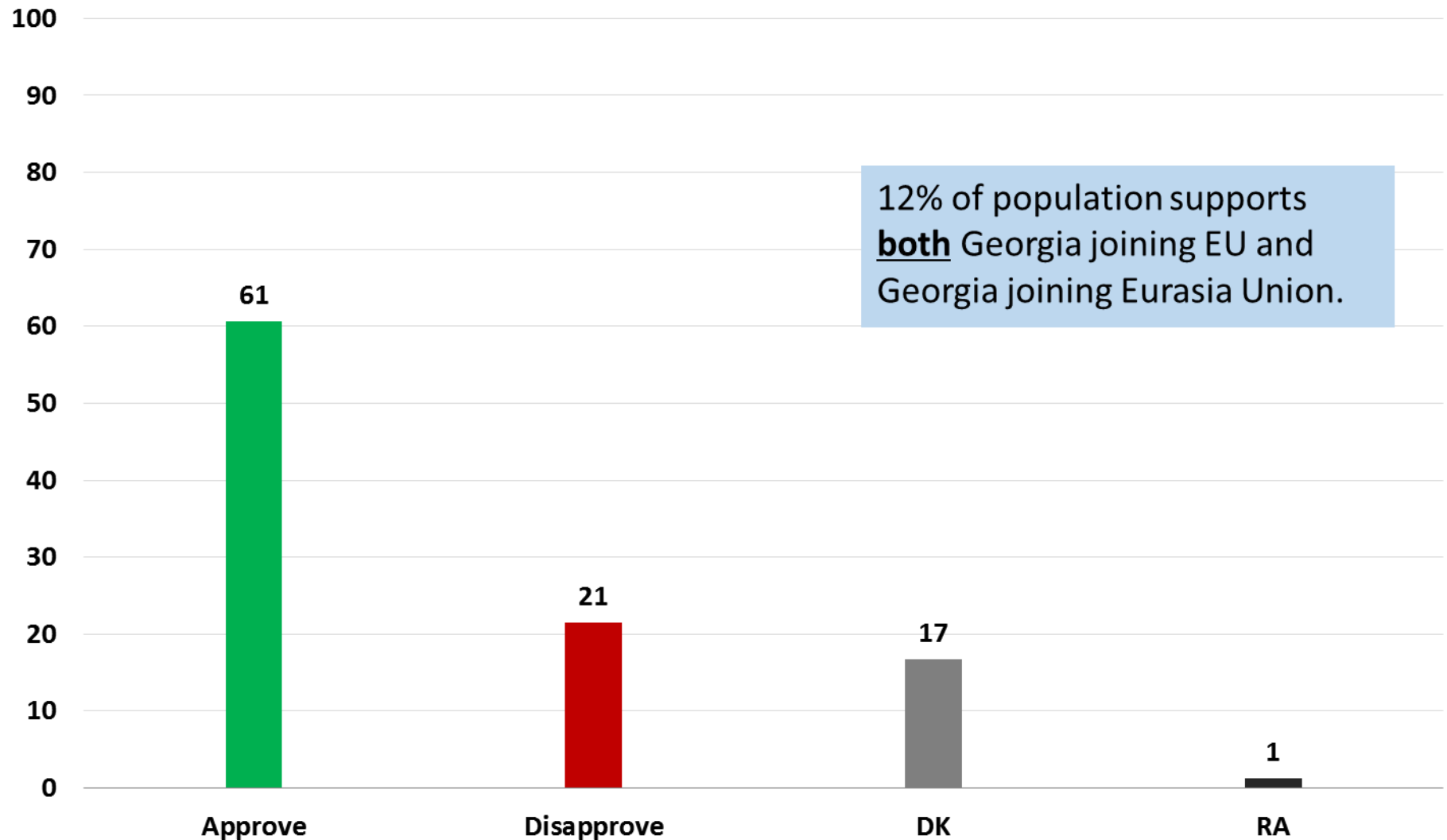
Overall, has EU influence increased, decreased or stayed the same since 2012? (q52 X Party closest to you)



Overall, has Russian influence on Georgia increased, decreased or stayed the same since 2012? (q45 X Party closest to you)



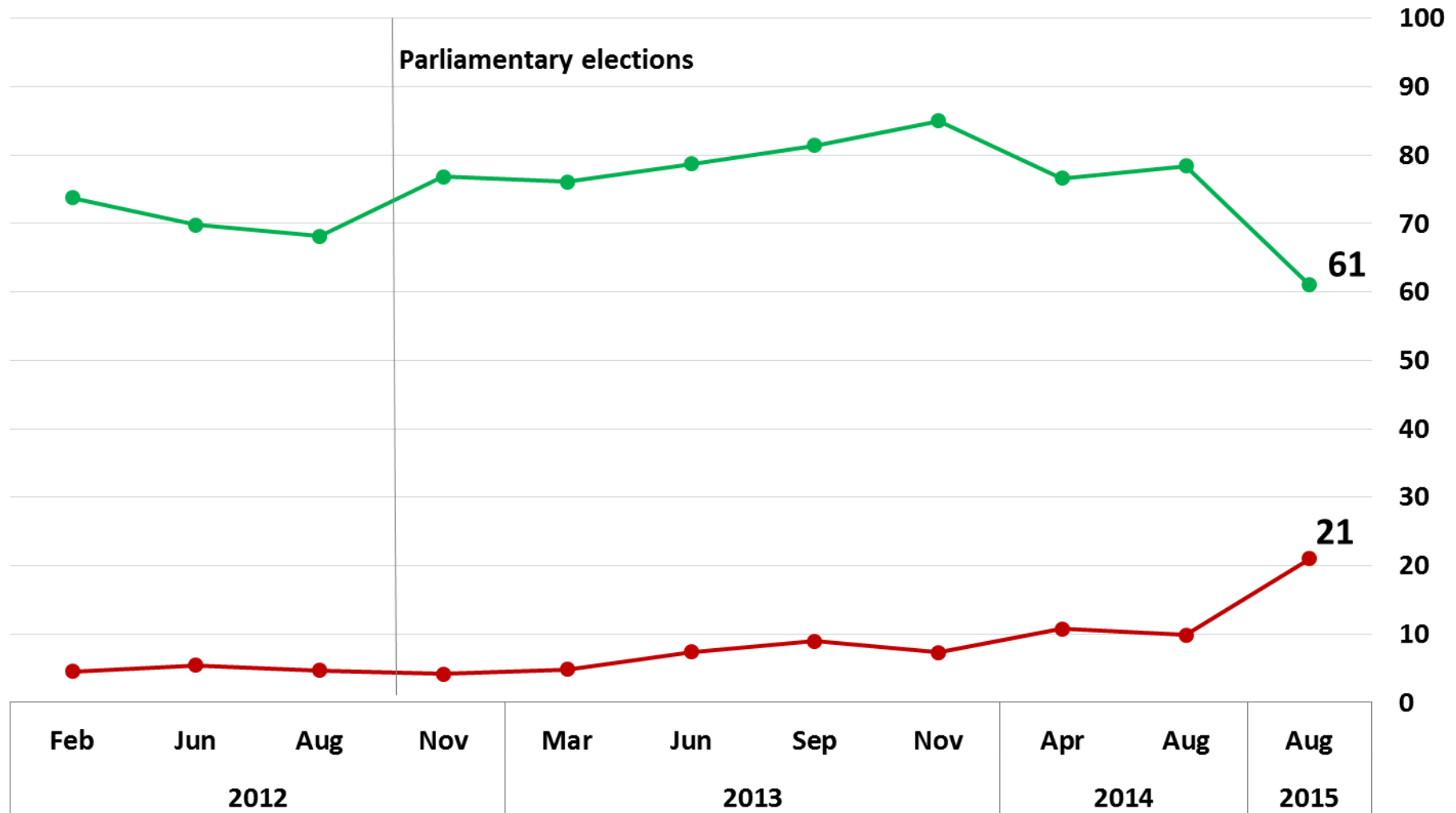
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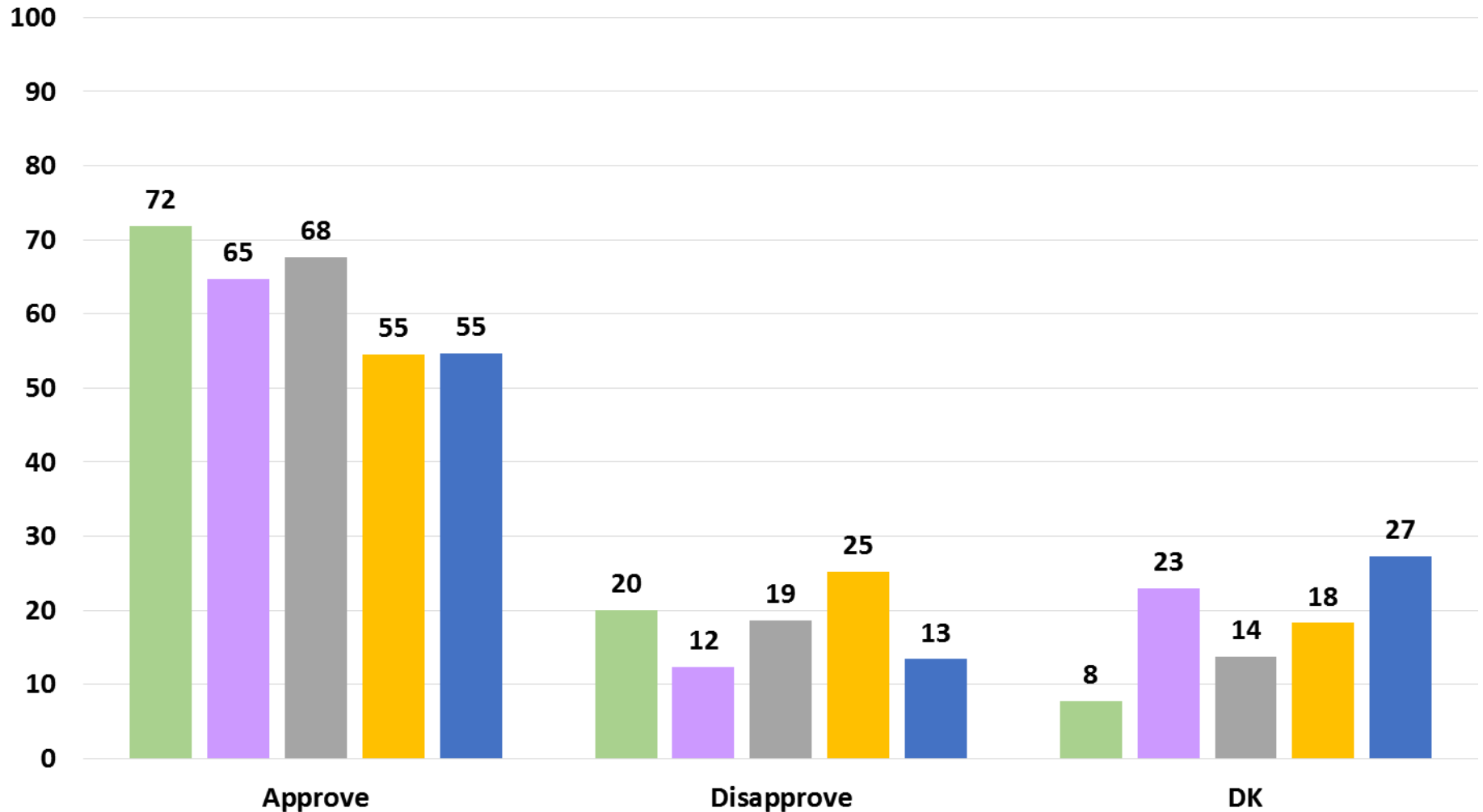
● Approve

● Disapprove



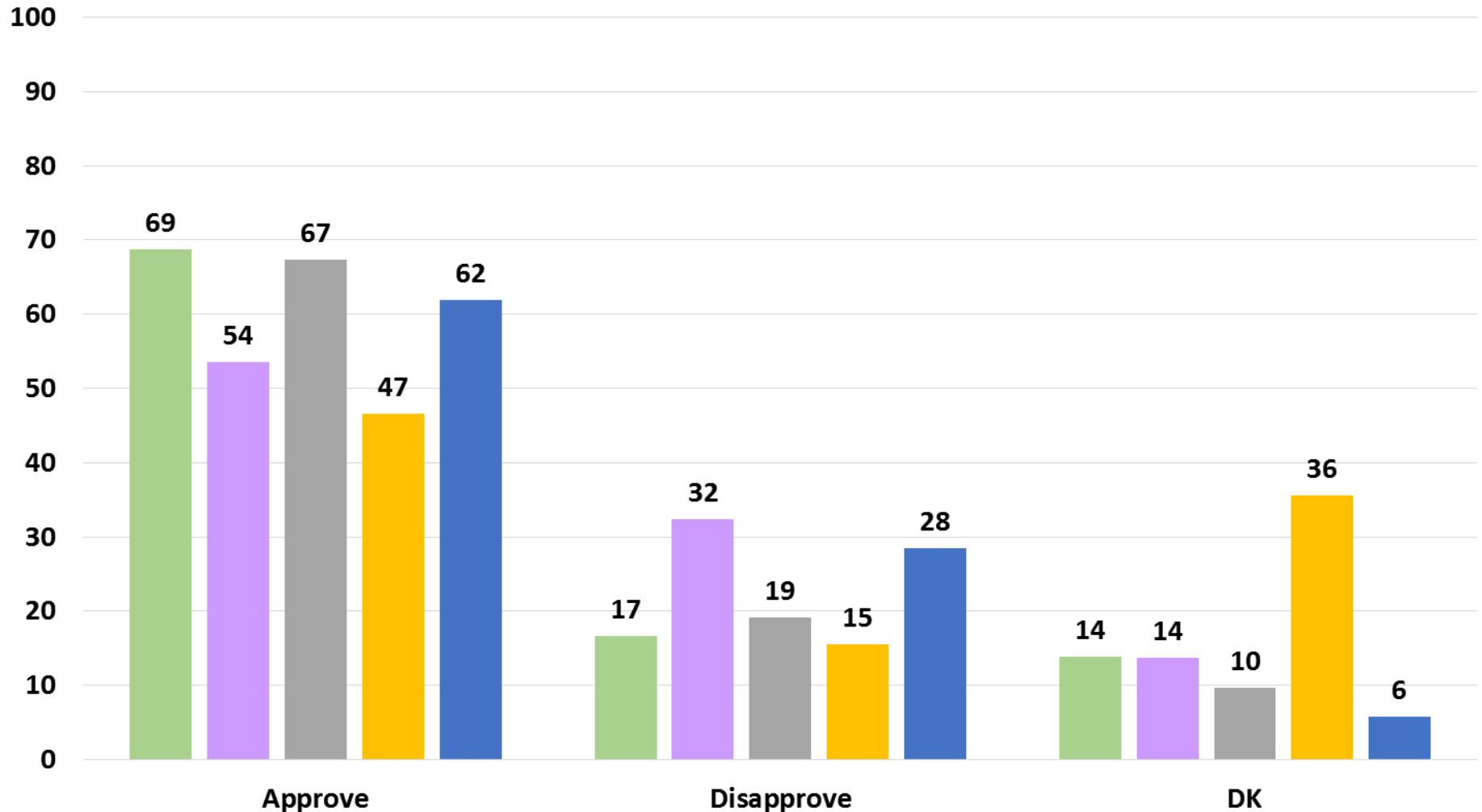
Do you approve or disapprove of Georgian government's stated goal to join EU? (q54 X Settlement) Part 1

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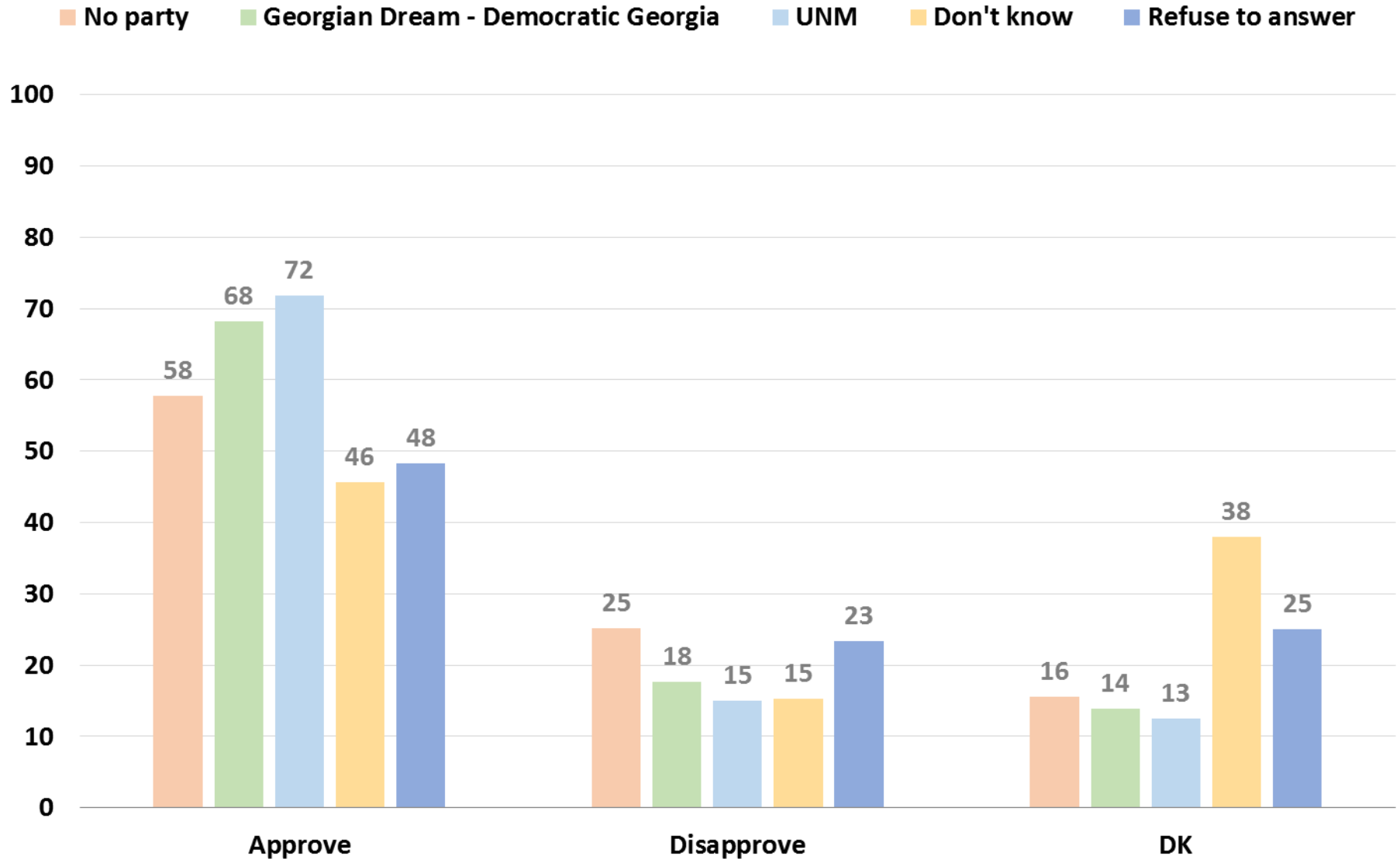


Do you approve or disapprove of Georgian government's stated goal to join EU? (q54 X Settlement) Part 2

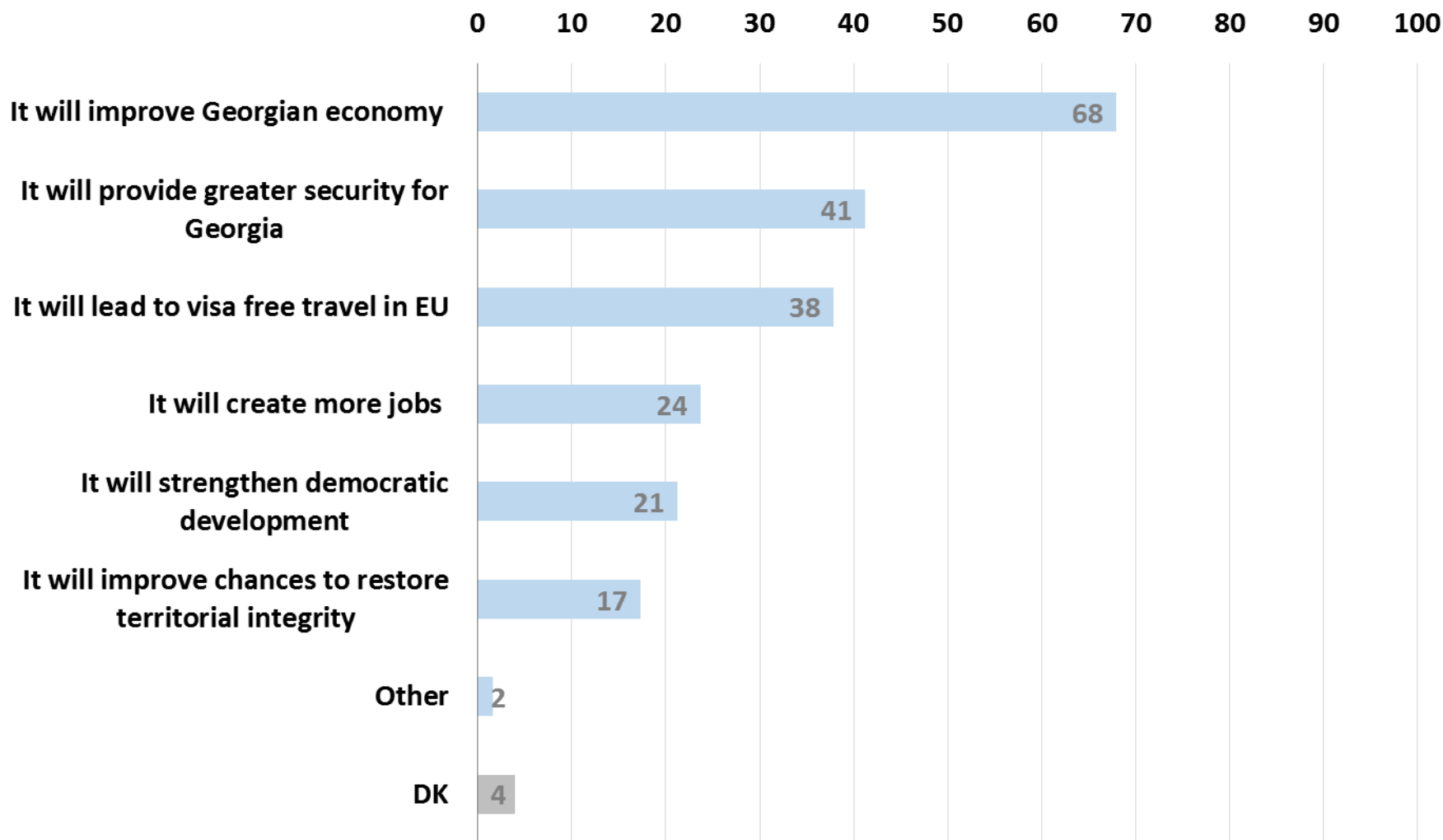
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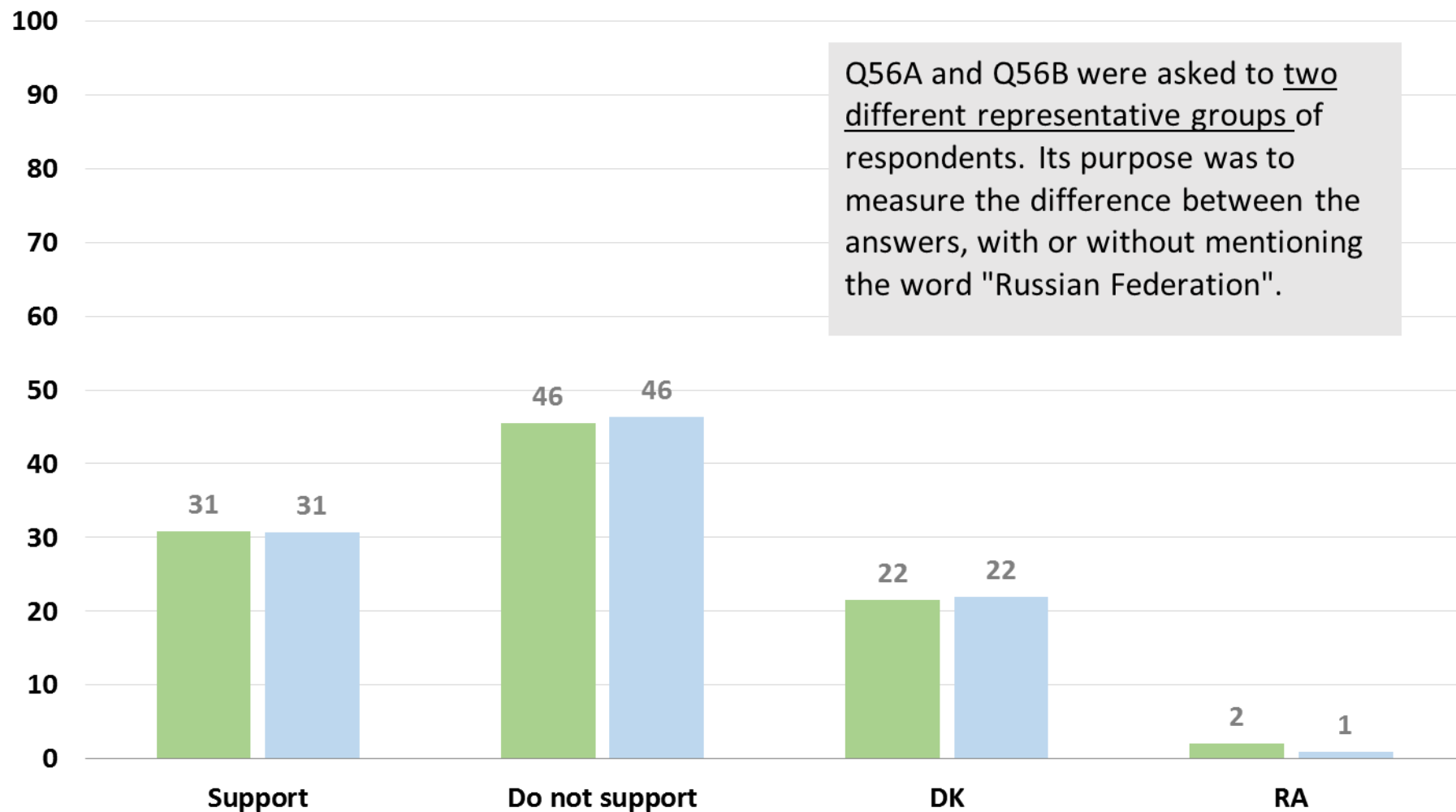
Why do you approve of Georgian government's stated goal to join EU? Accept up to three (q55) - of the 61% who approve joining EU



Do you support or not joining the ...? (q56a/q56b)

■ Eurasian Union

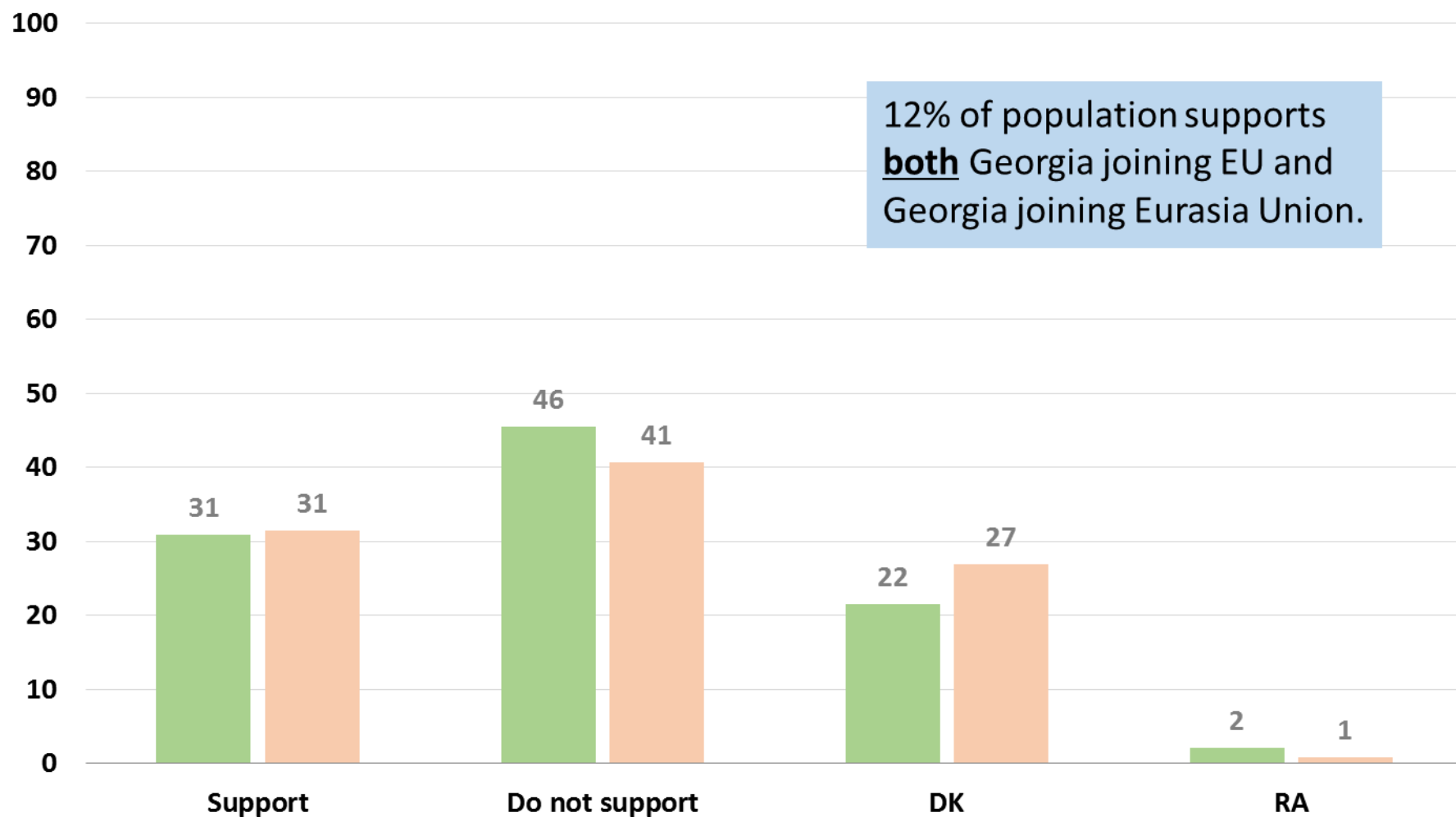
■ Eurasian Union founded by the Russian Federation



Do you support or not joining the Eurasian Union? (q56a)

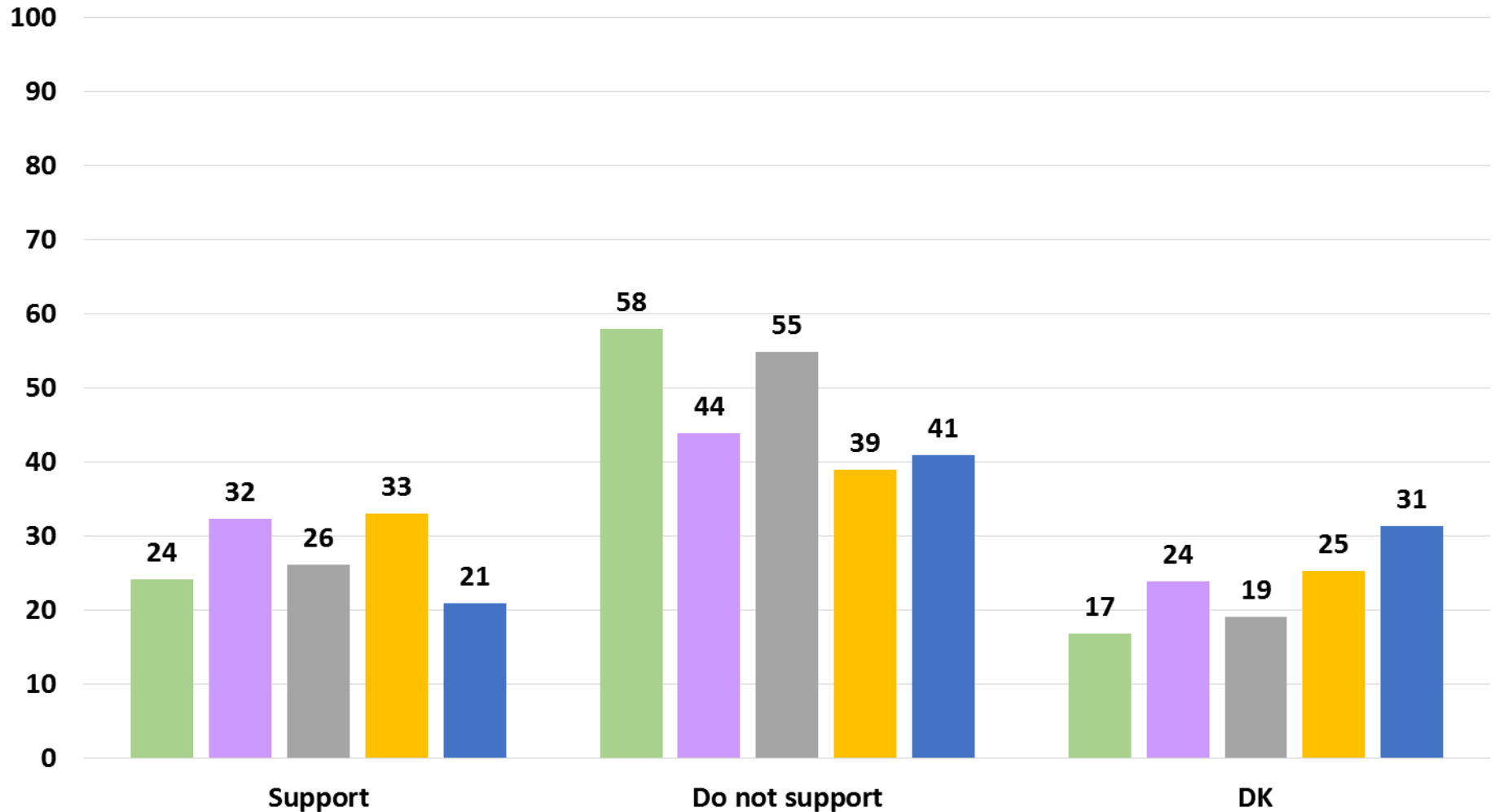
■ August 2015

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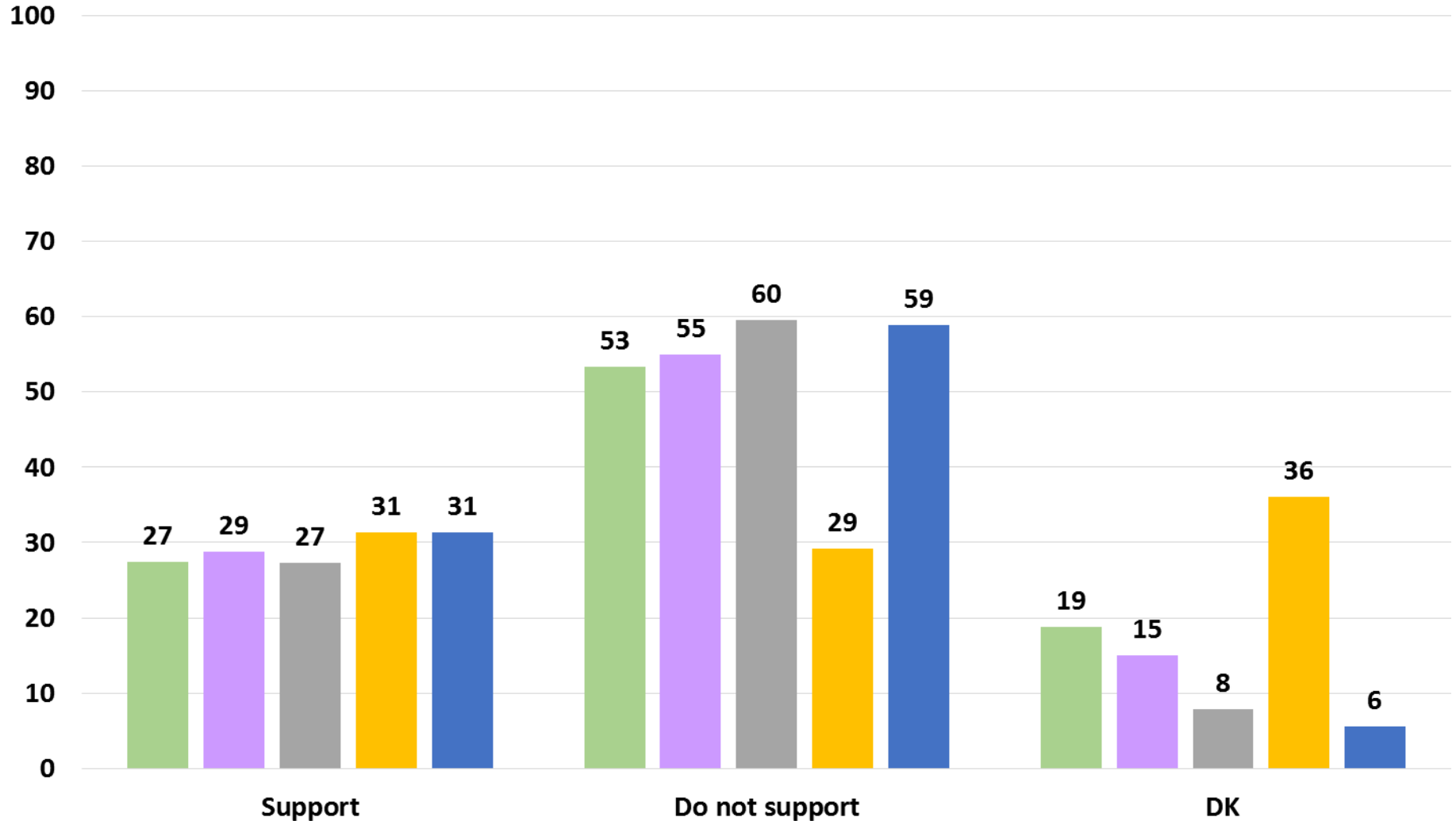
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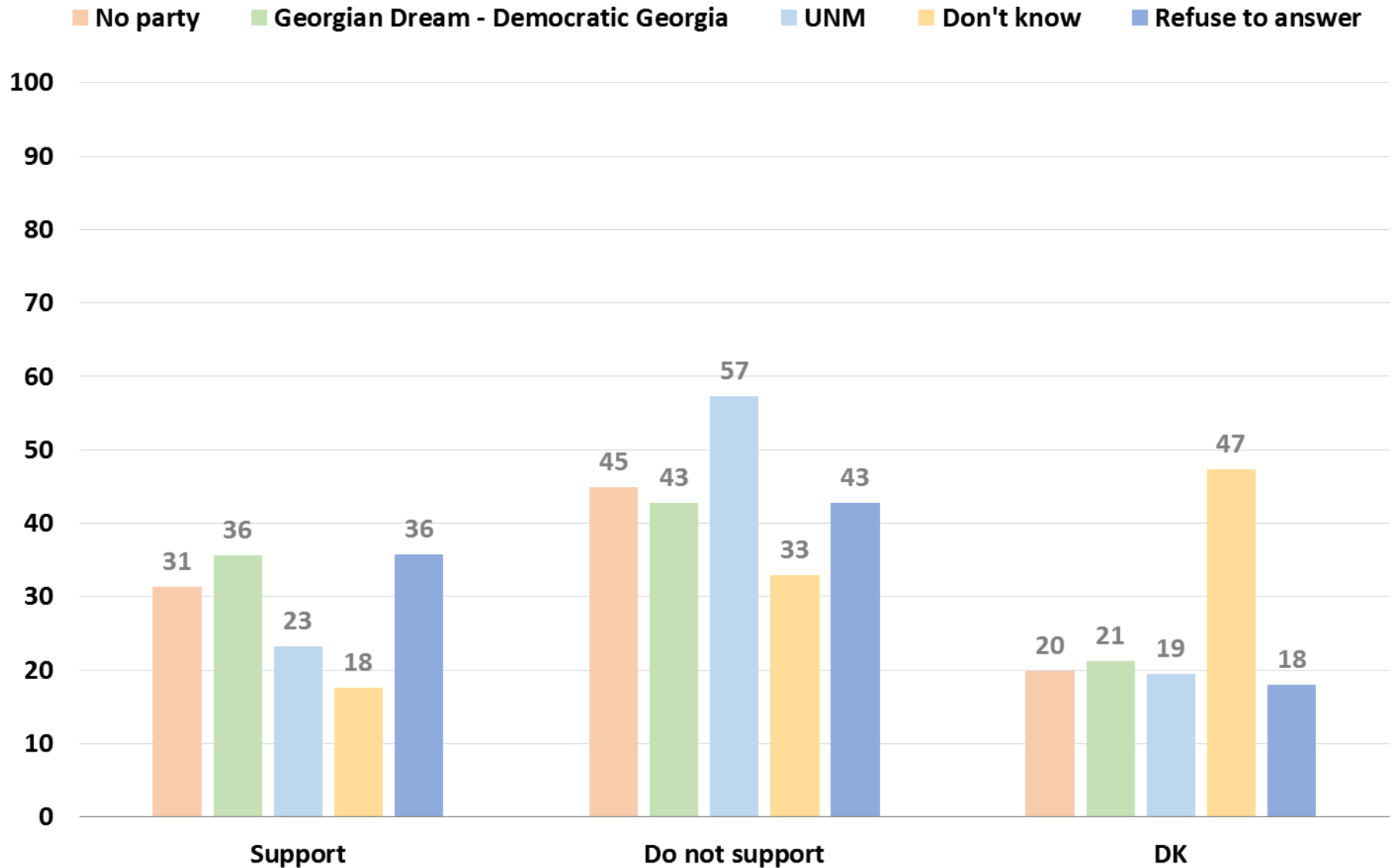


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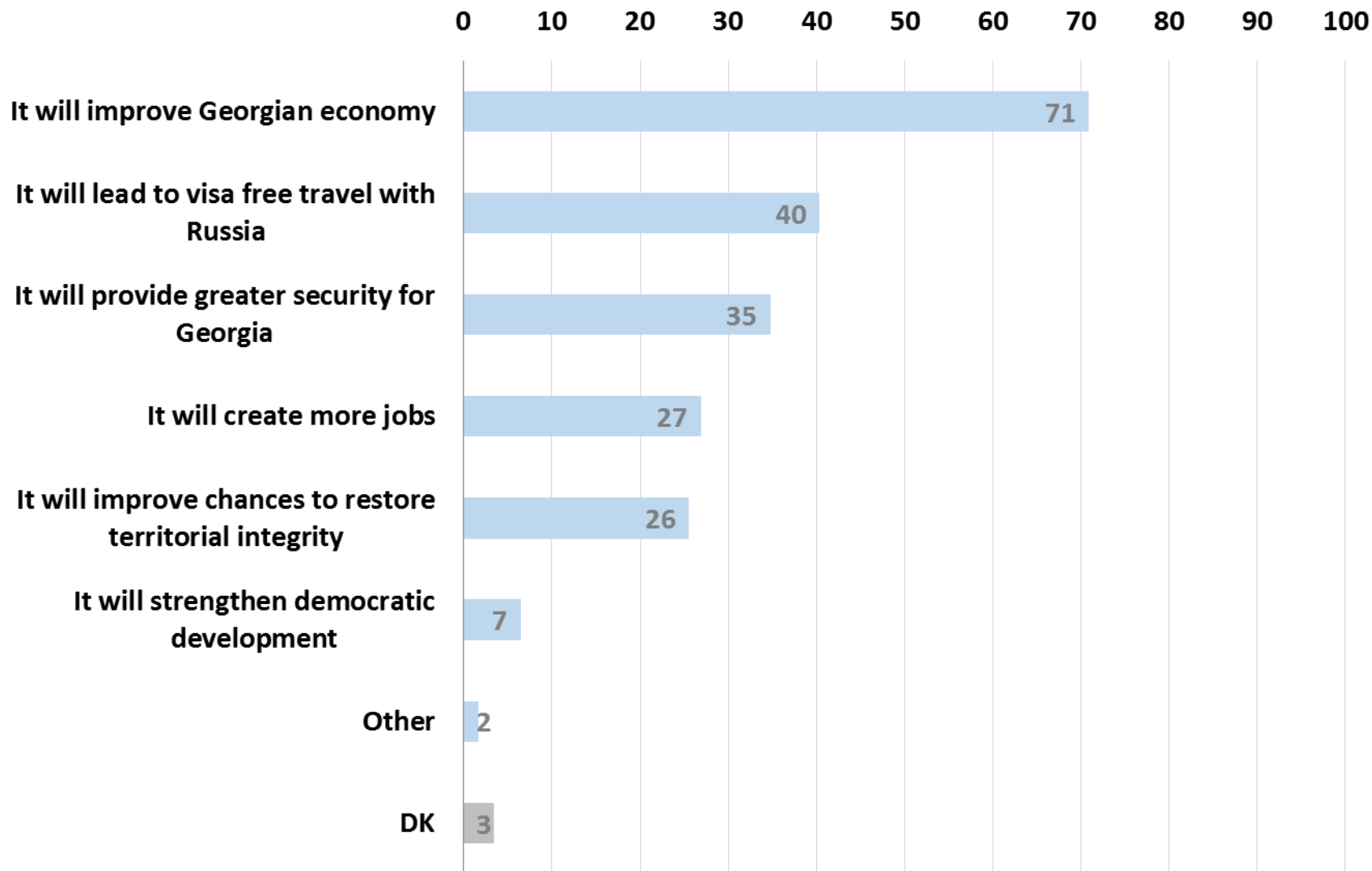
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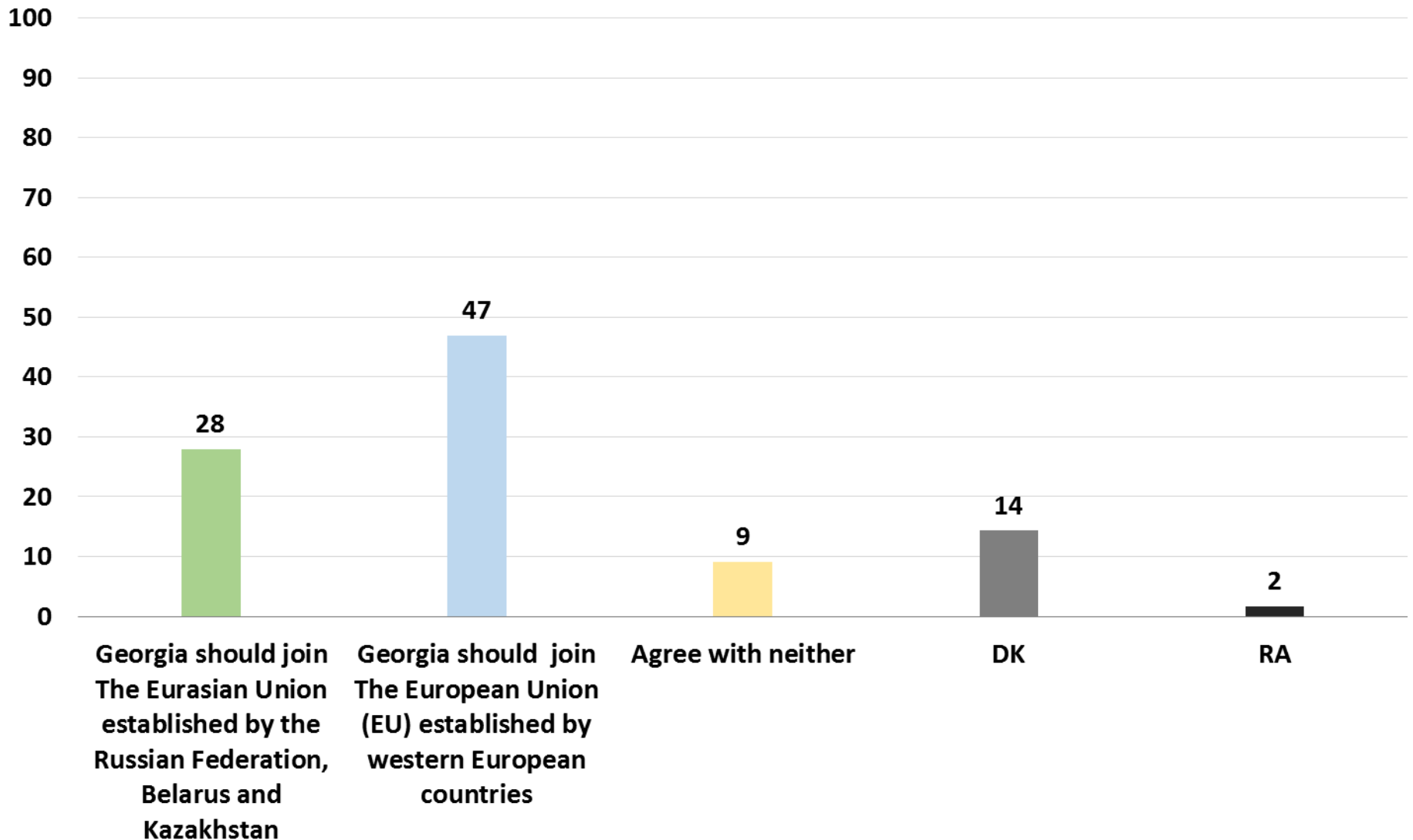
Do you support or not Georgia joining Eurasian Union? (q56a X Party closest to you)



Why do you support Georgia joining Eurasian Union? Accept up to three (q57) - of the 31% who support joining Eurasian Union

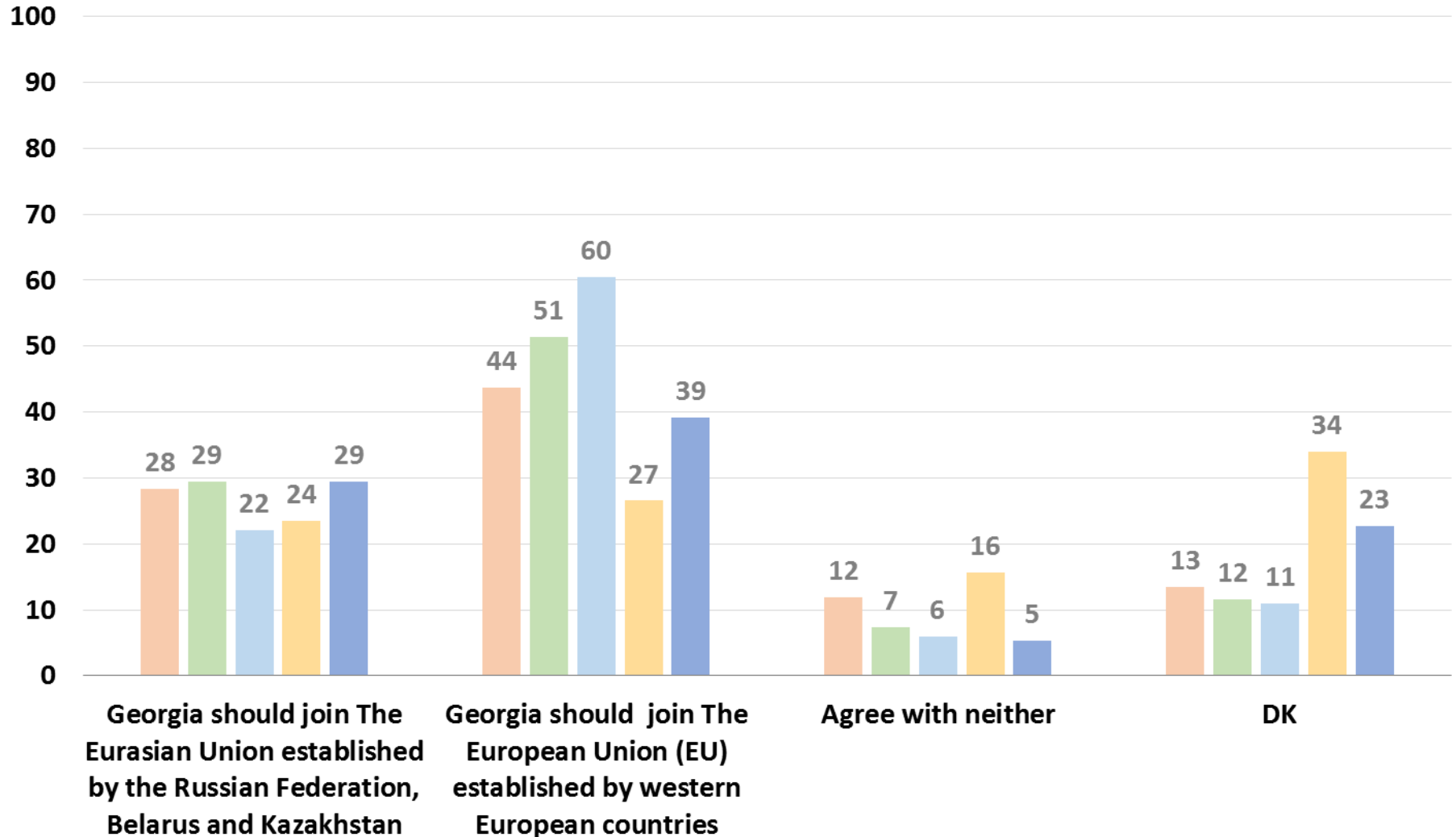


Which statement do you agree with? (q60)

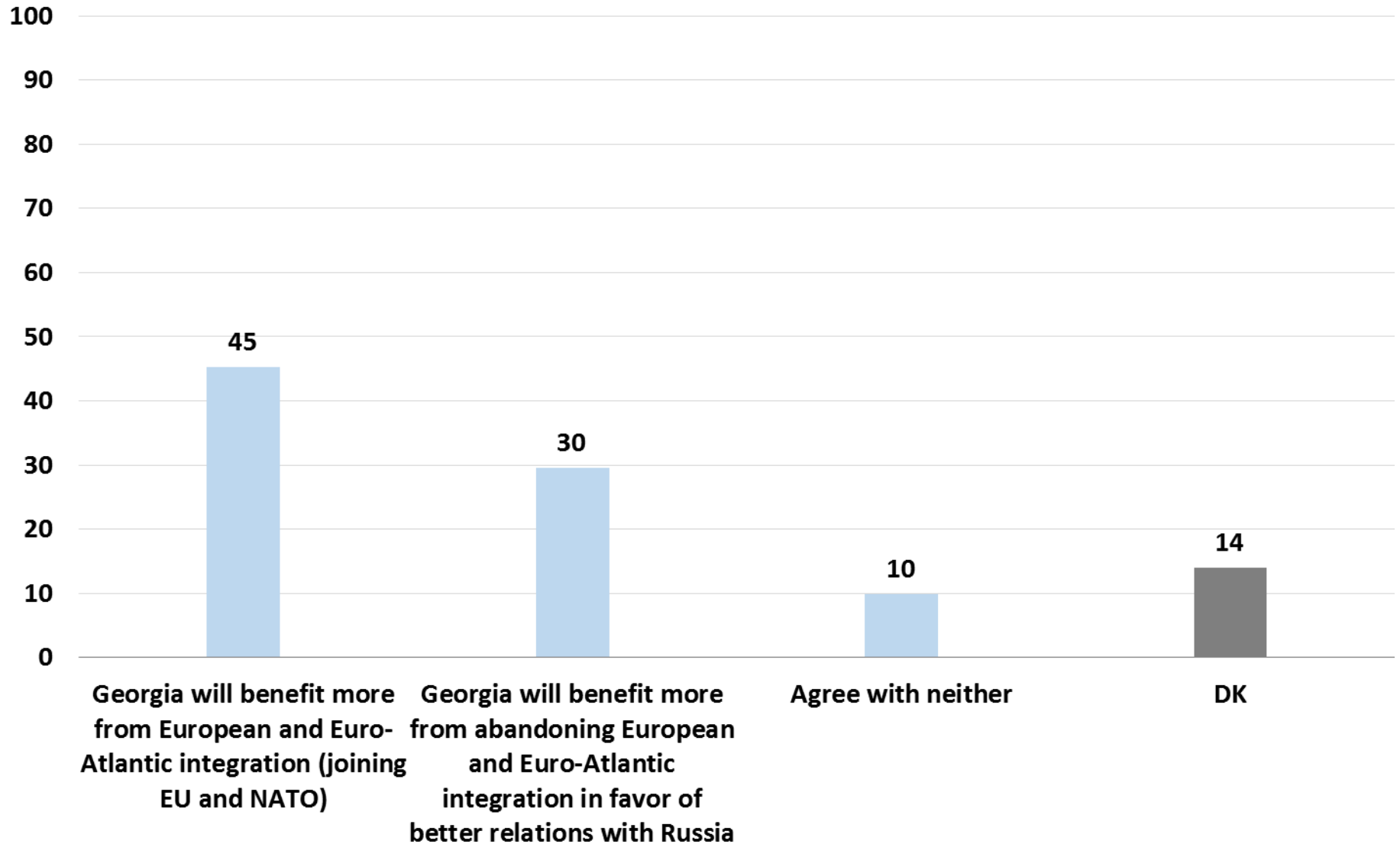


Which of the following statements you agree with? (q60 X Party closest to you)

No party Georgian Dream - Democratic Georgia UNM Don't know Refuse to answer

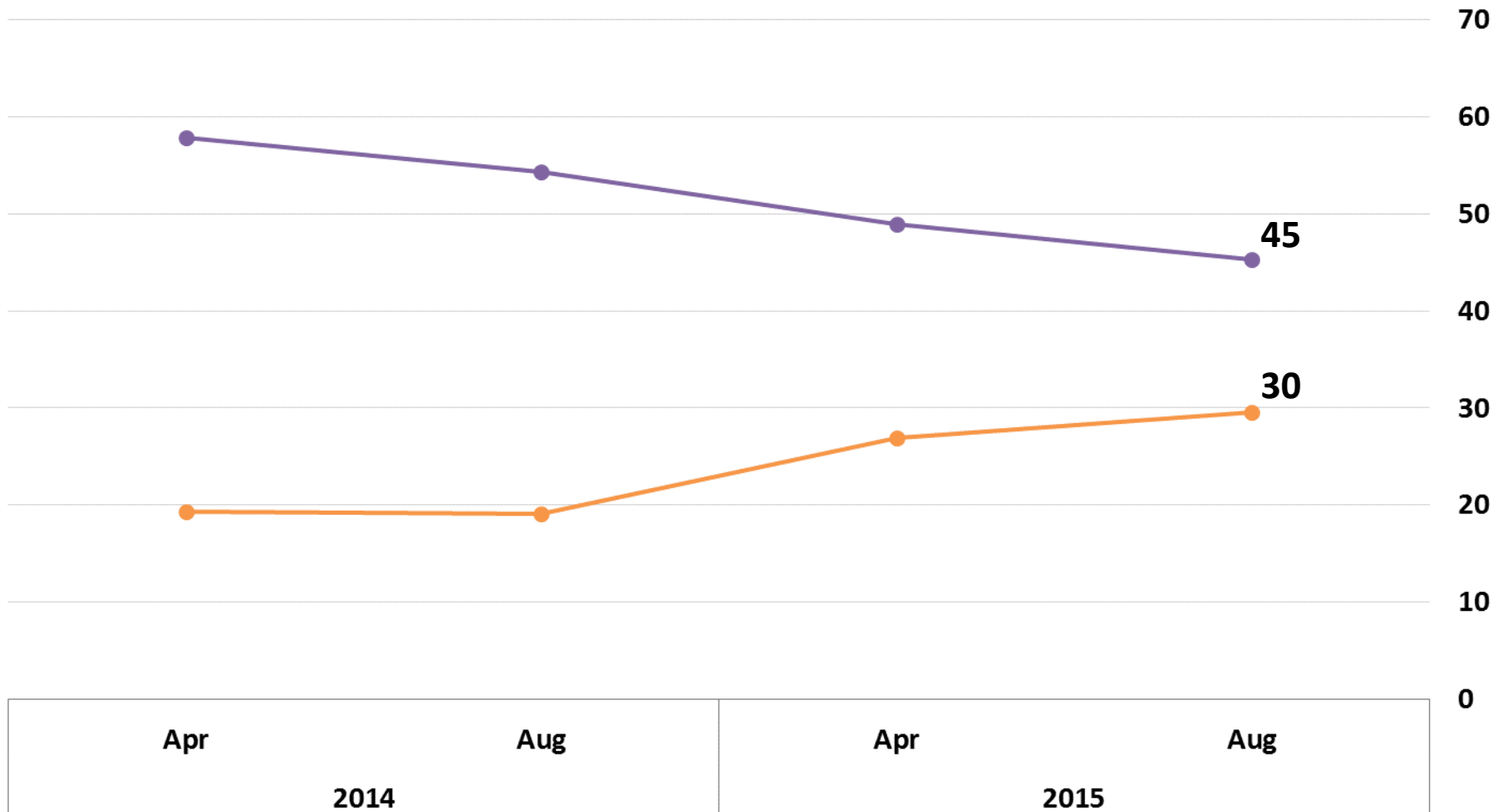


Which statement do you agree with? (q53)



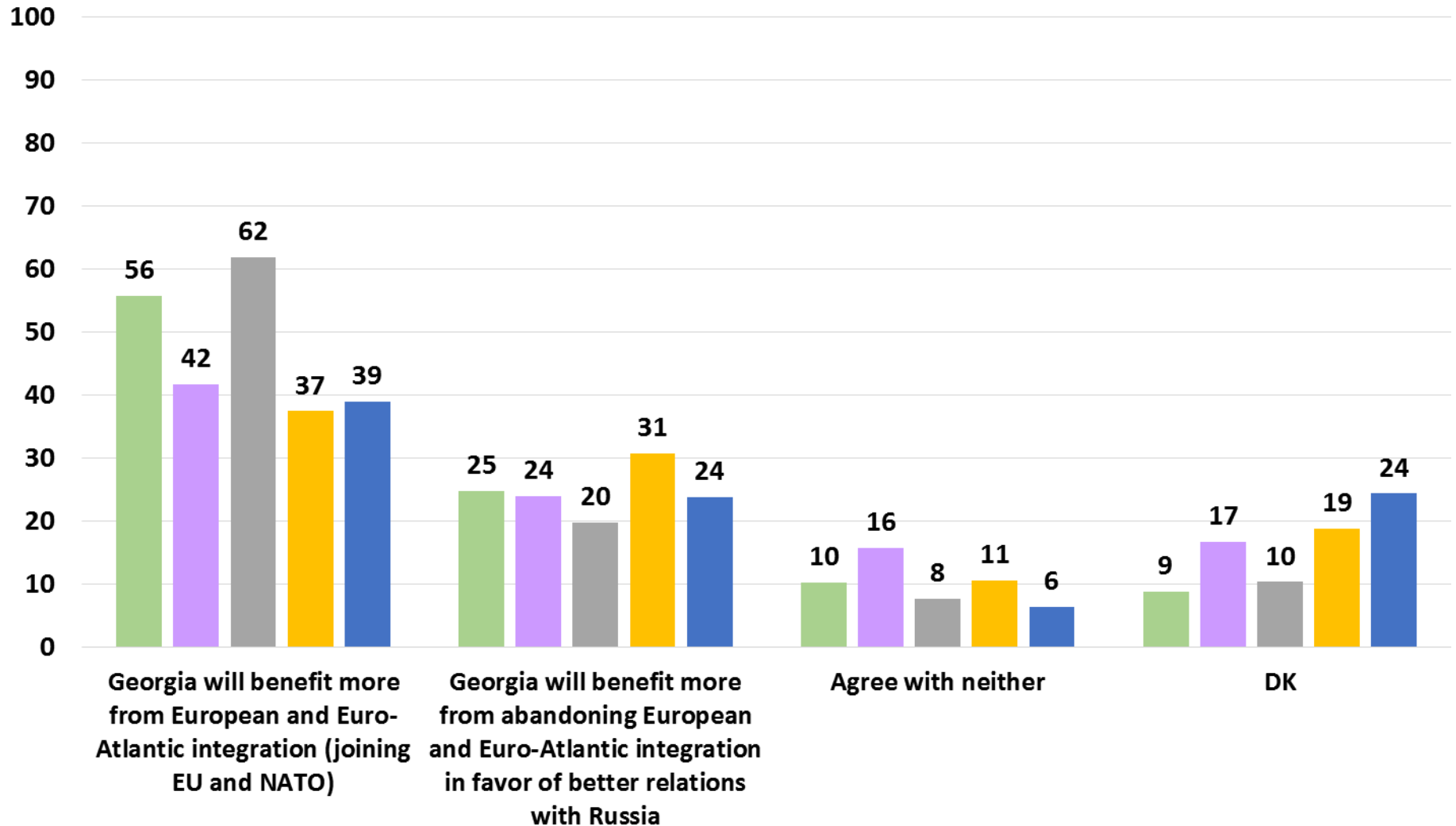
Which of the following statements you agree with? (q53)

- Georgia will benefit more from European and Euro-Atlantic integration (joining EU and NATO).
- Georgia will benefit more from abandoning European and Euro-Atlantic integration in favor of better relations with Russia.



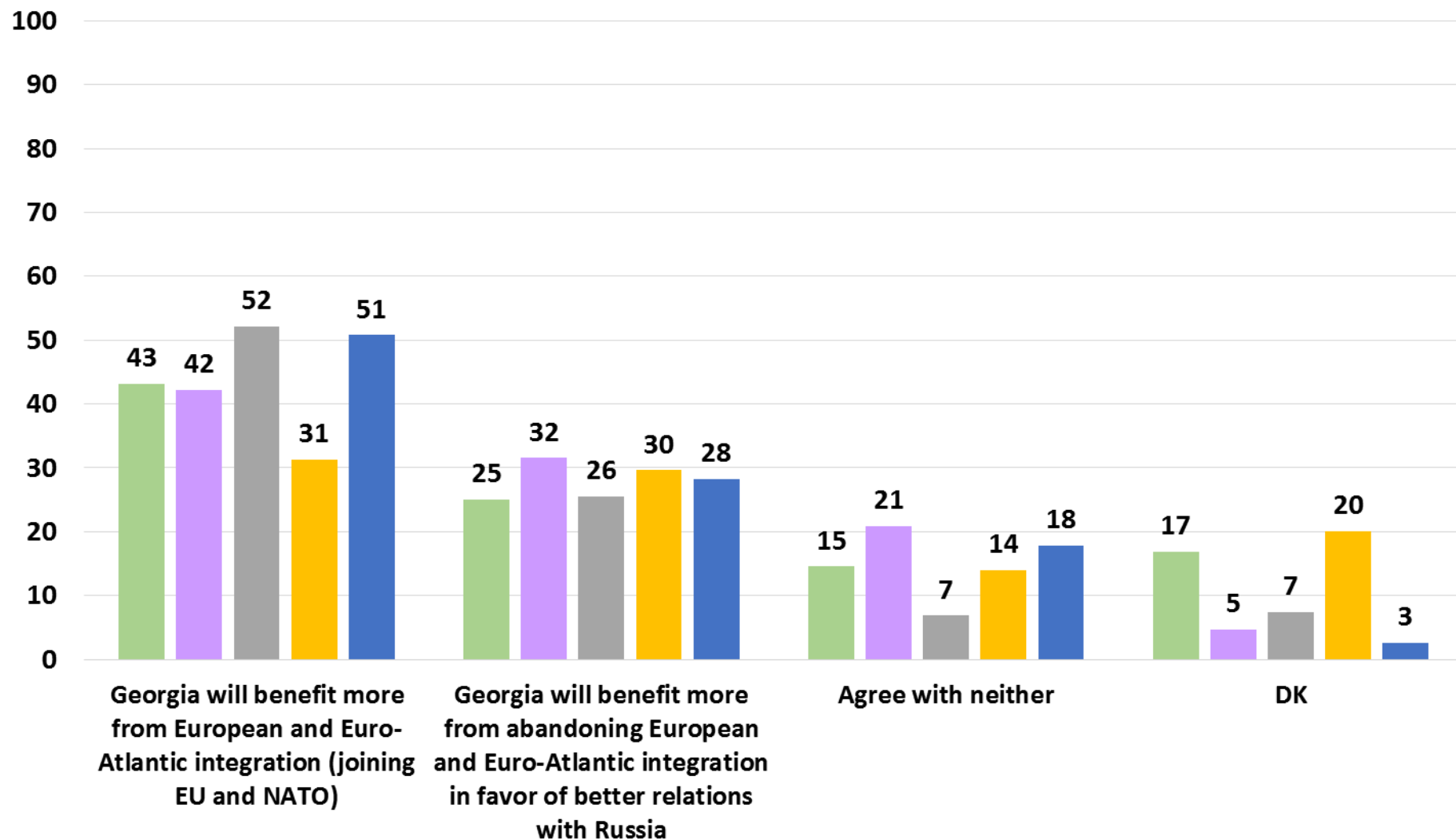
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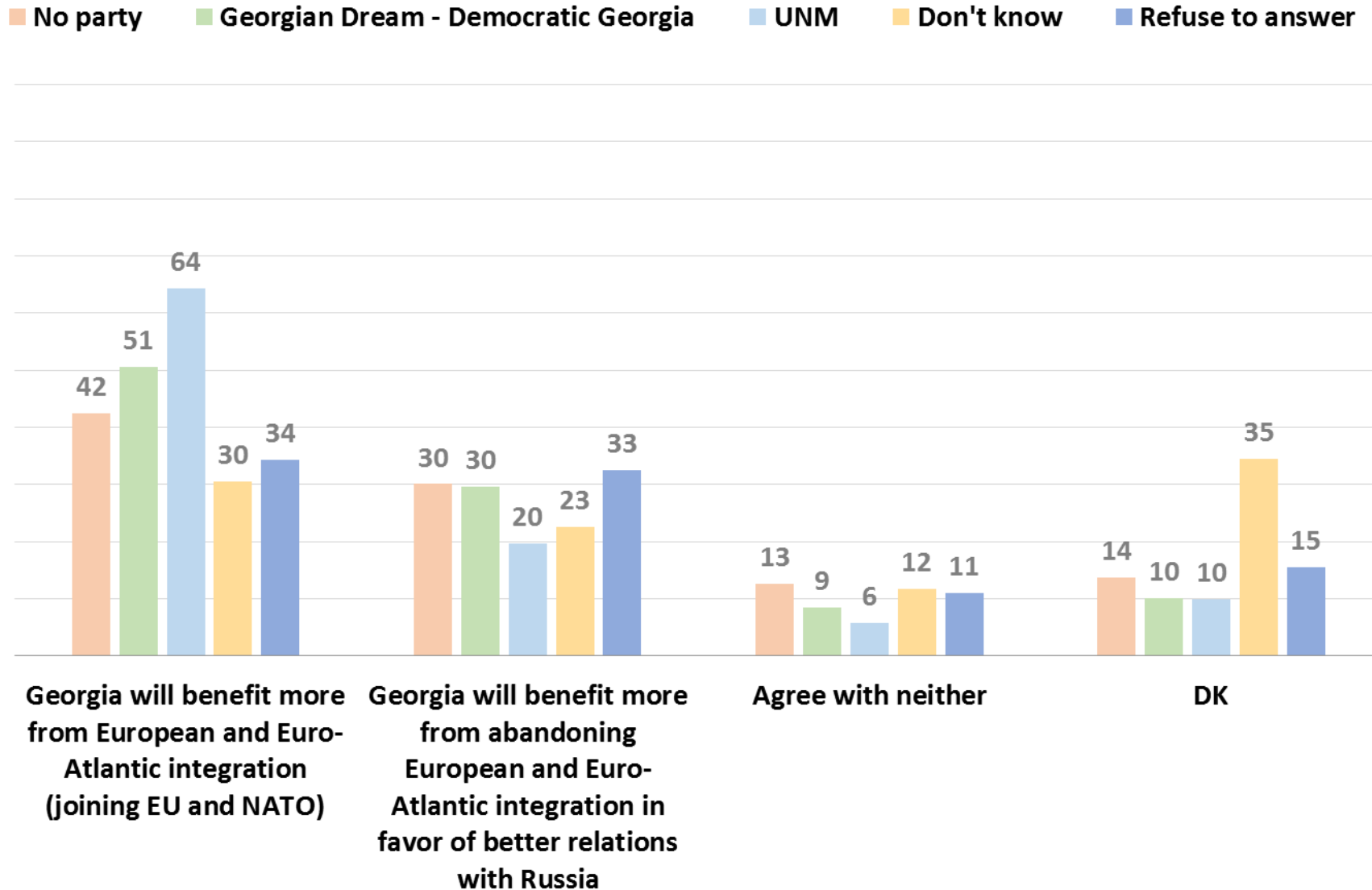


Which of the following statements you agree with? (q53 X Settlement) Part 2

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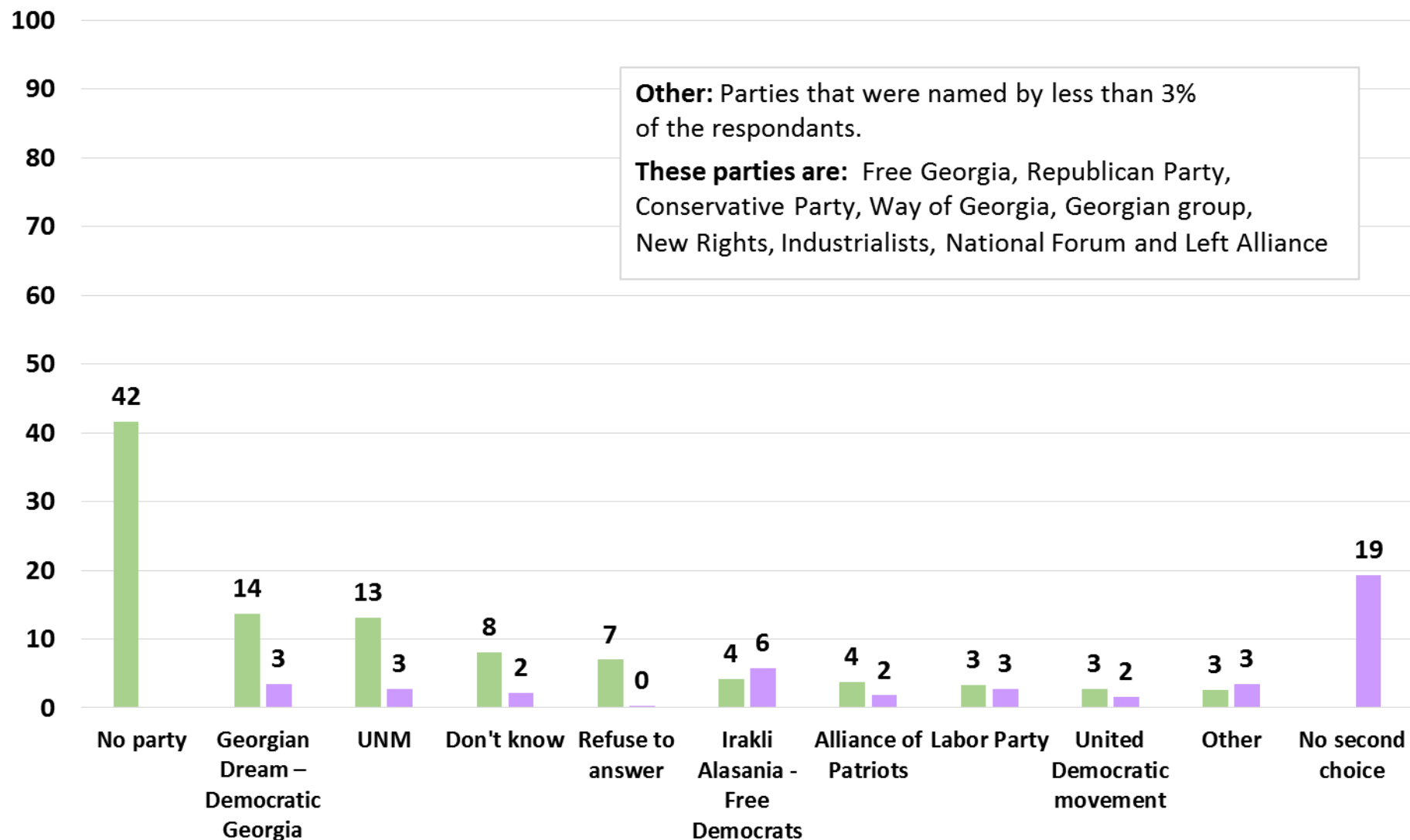
Which of the following statements you agree with? (q53 X Party closest to you)



Party Support and Future Vote

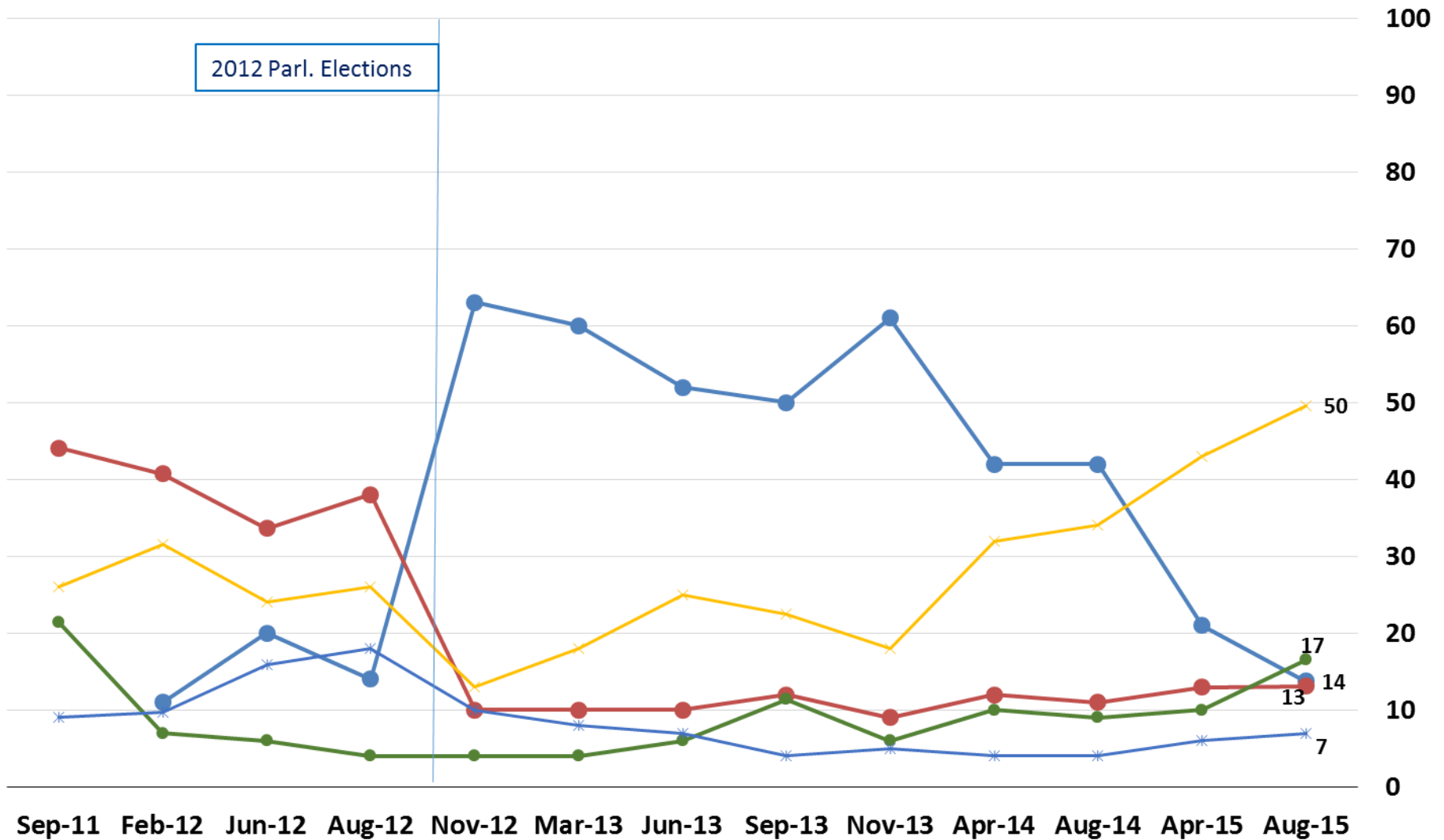
Which party is closest to you? (q61)

■ First choice ■ Second choice

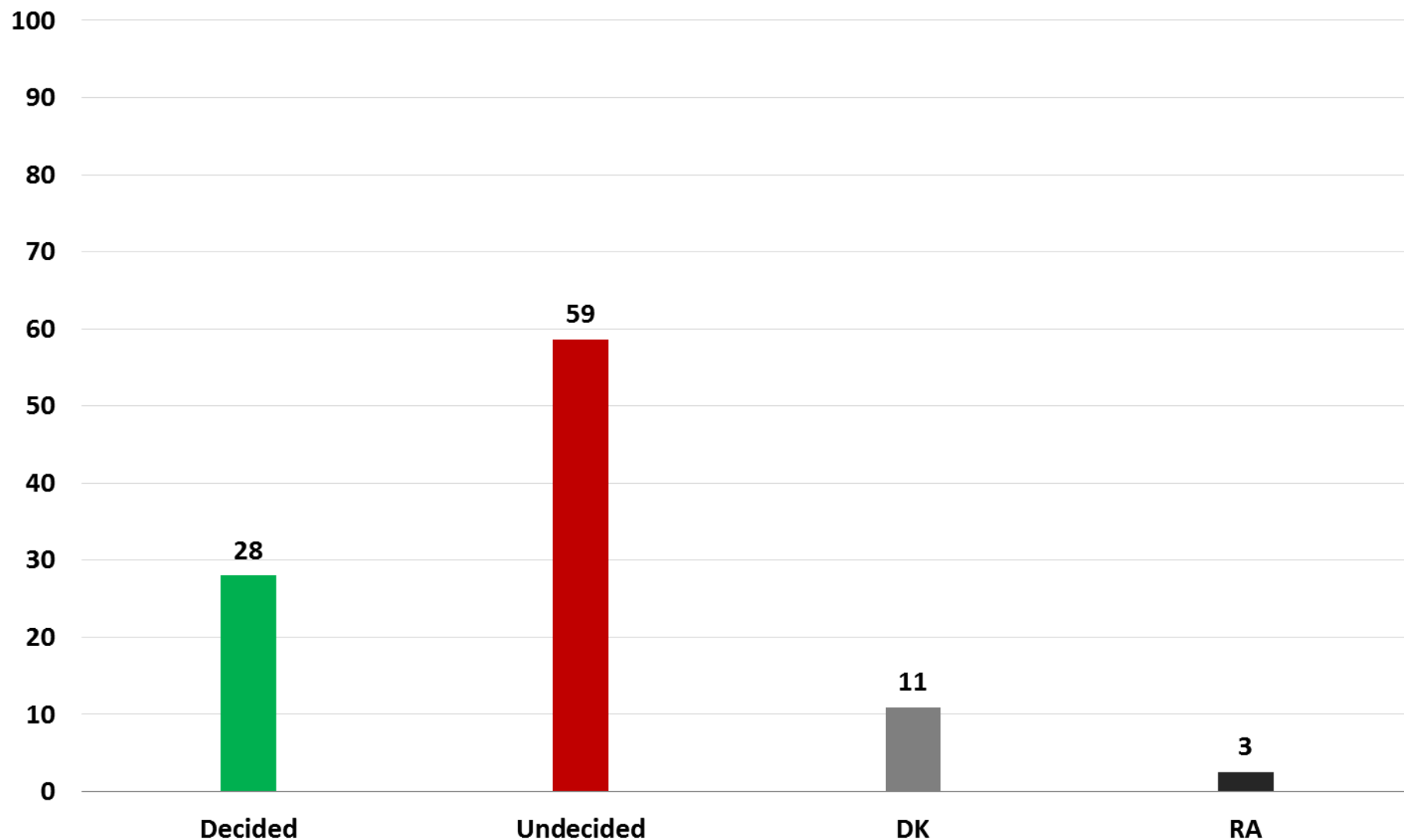


Which party is closest to you?

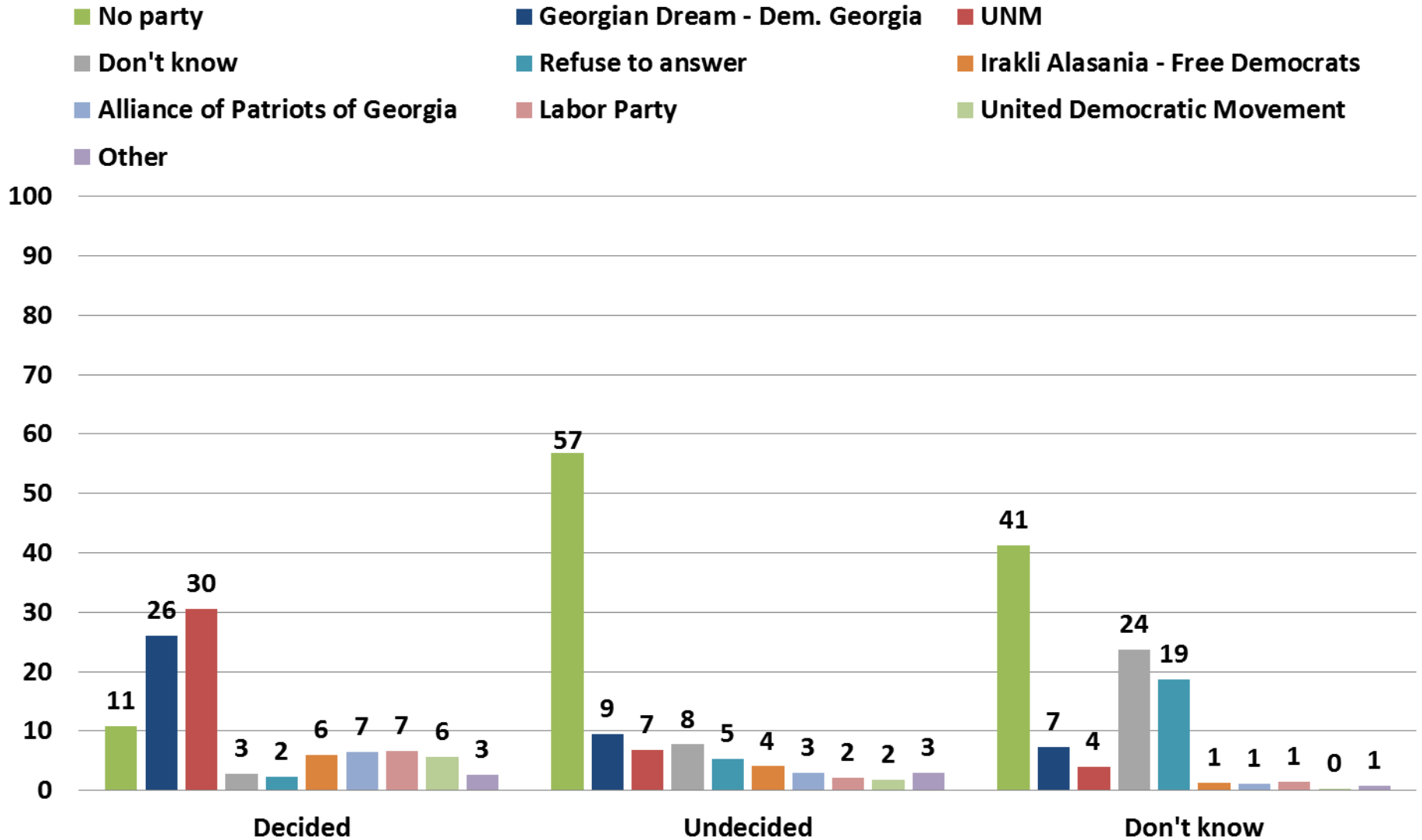
Georgian Dream UNM Other No Party+DK RA



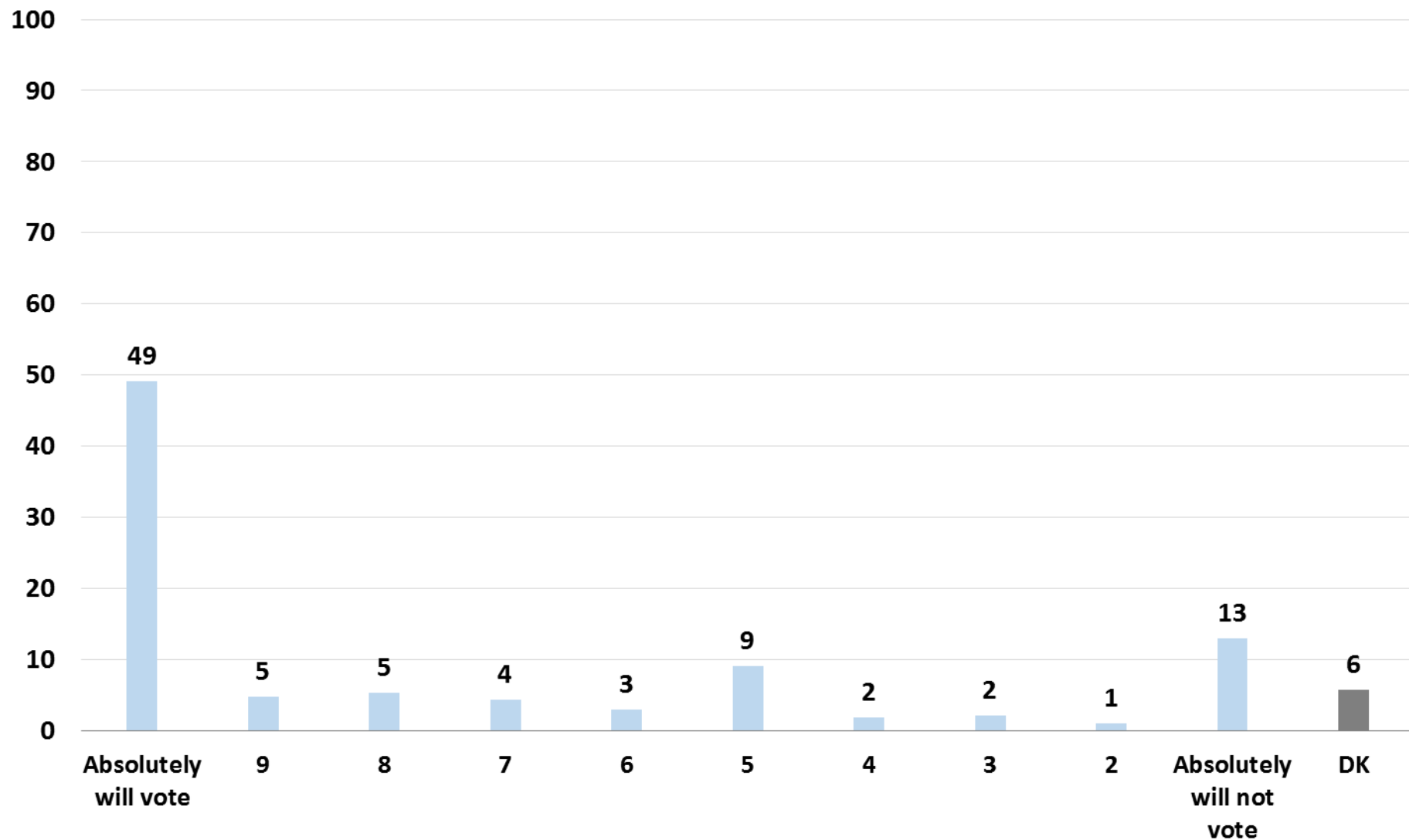
If parliamentary elections were held tomorrow, would you say you are decided or undecided about how you would vote? (q63)



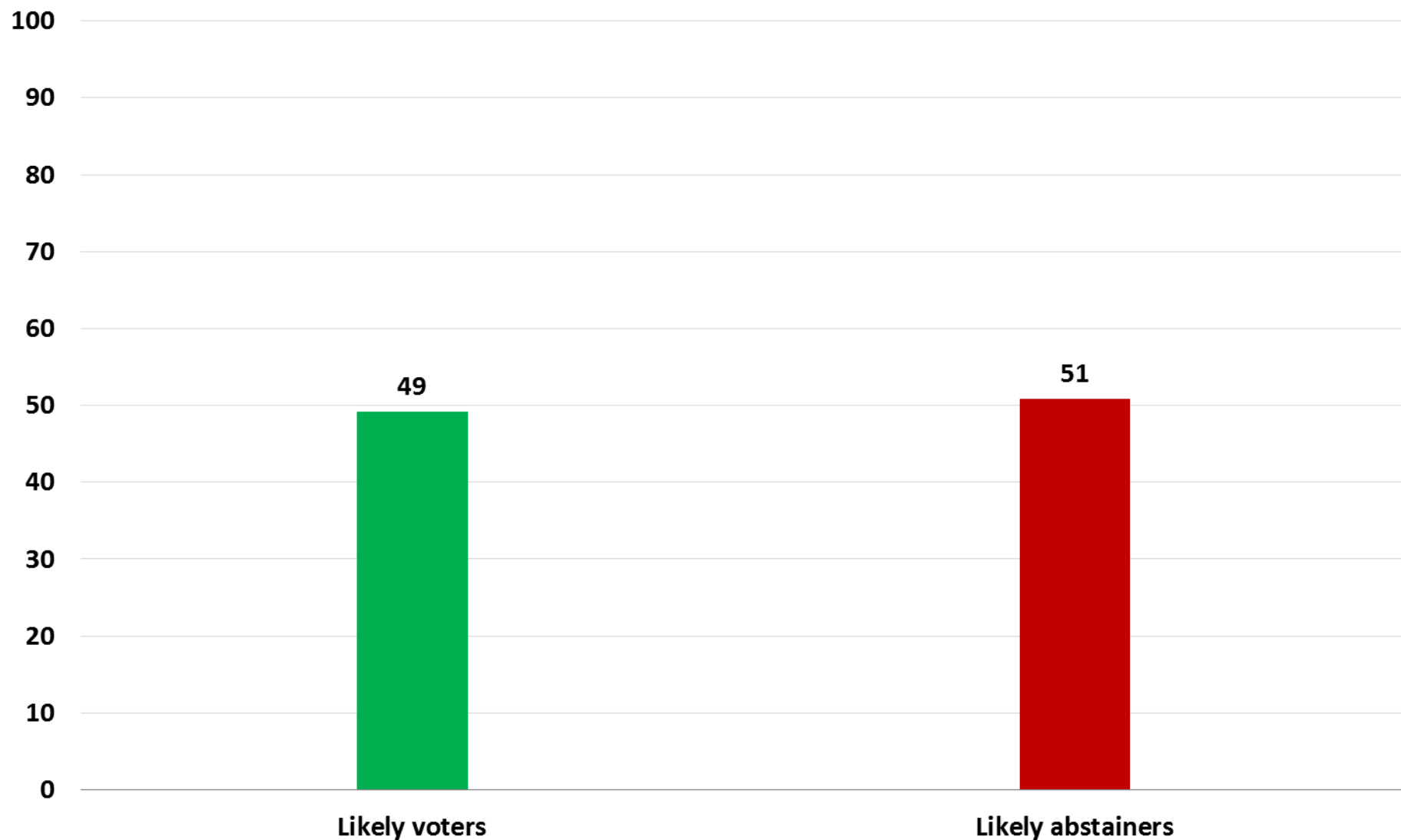
Which party is closes to you? (q61 X If parliamentary elections were held tomorrow, are you decided or undecided about how you would vote?)



If parliamentary elections were held tomorrow, would you vote? (q64)



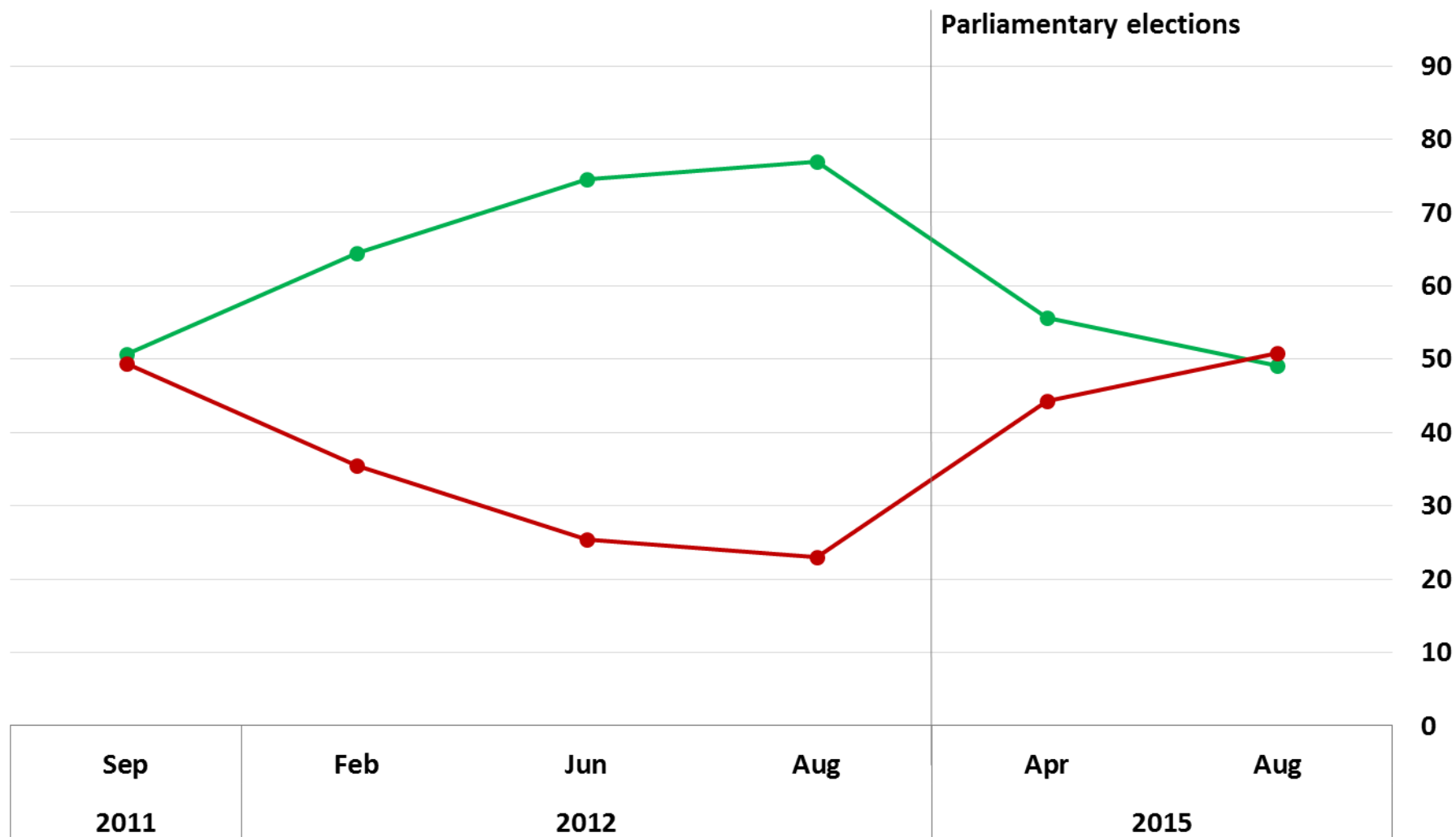
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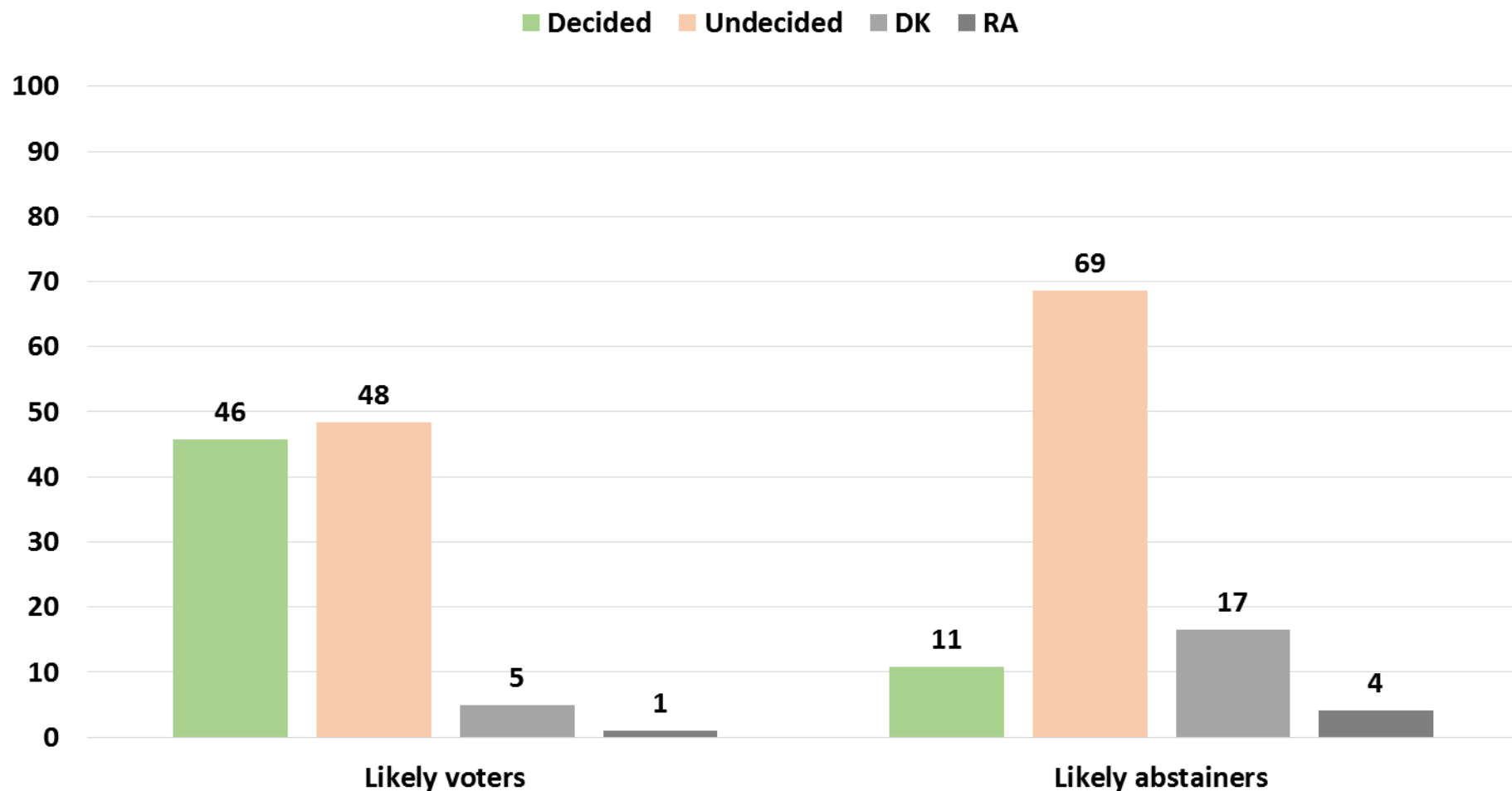
If parliamentary elections were held tomorrow, would you vote? (q64)

—●— Likely voters

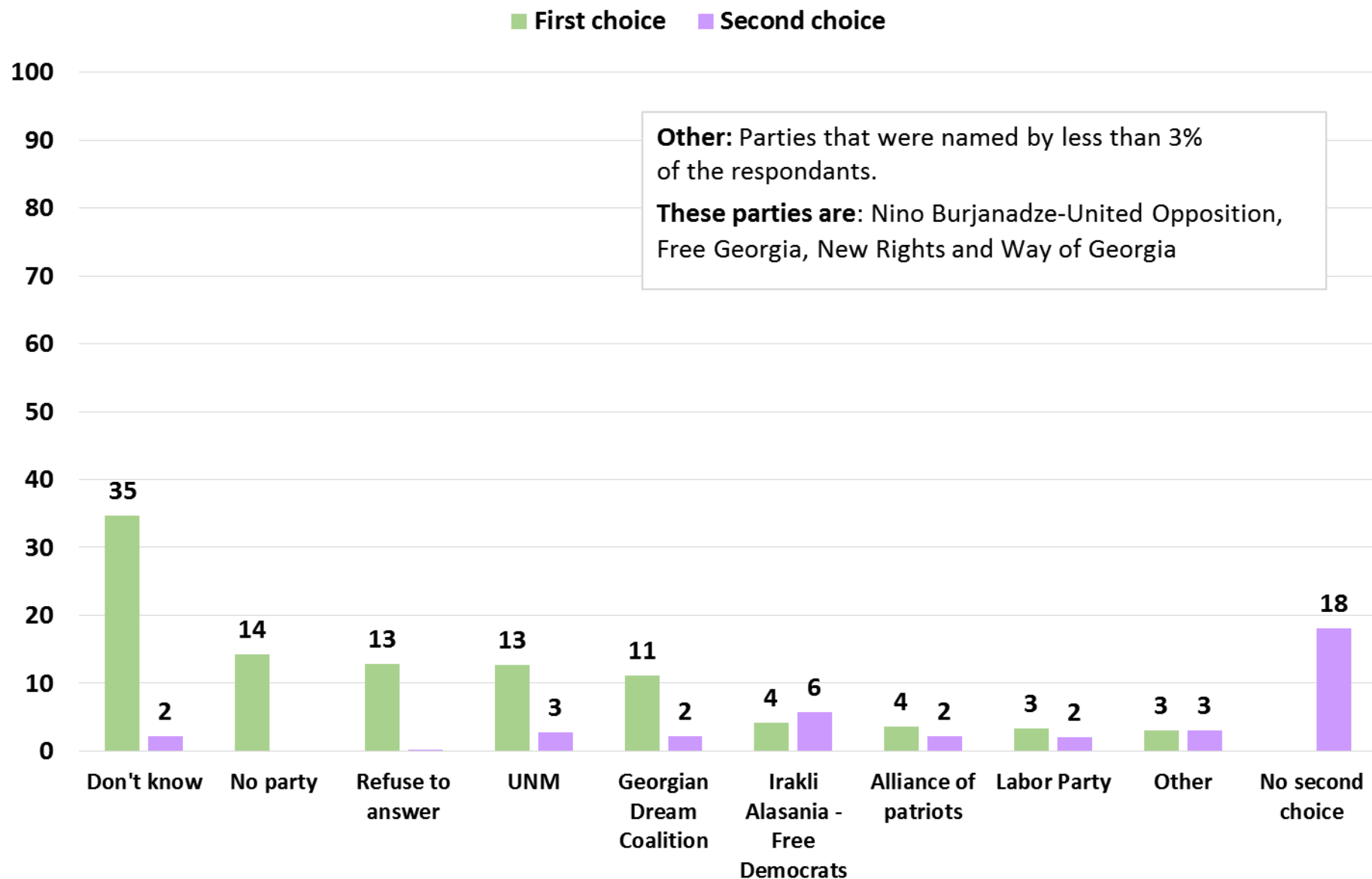
—●— Likely abstainers



**If parliamentary elections were held tomorrow would you say
you are decided or undecided about how you would vote?
(q63 X Would participate in the parliamentary elections)**

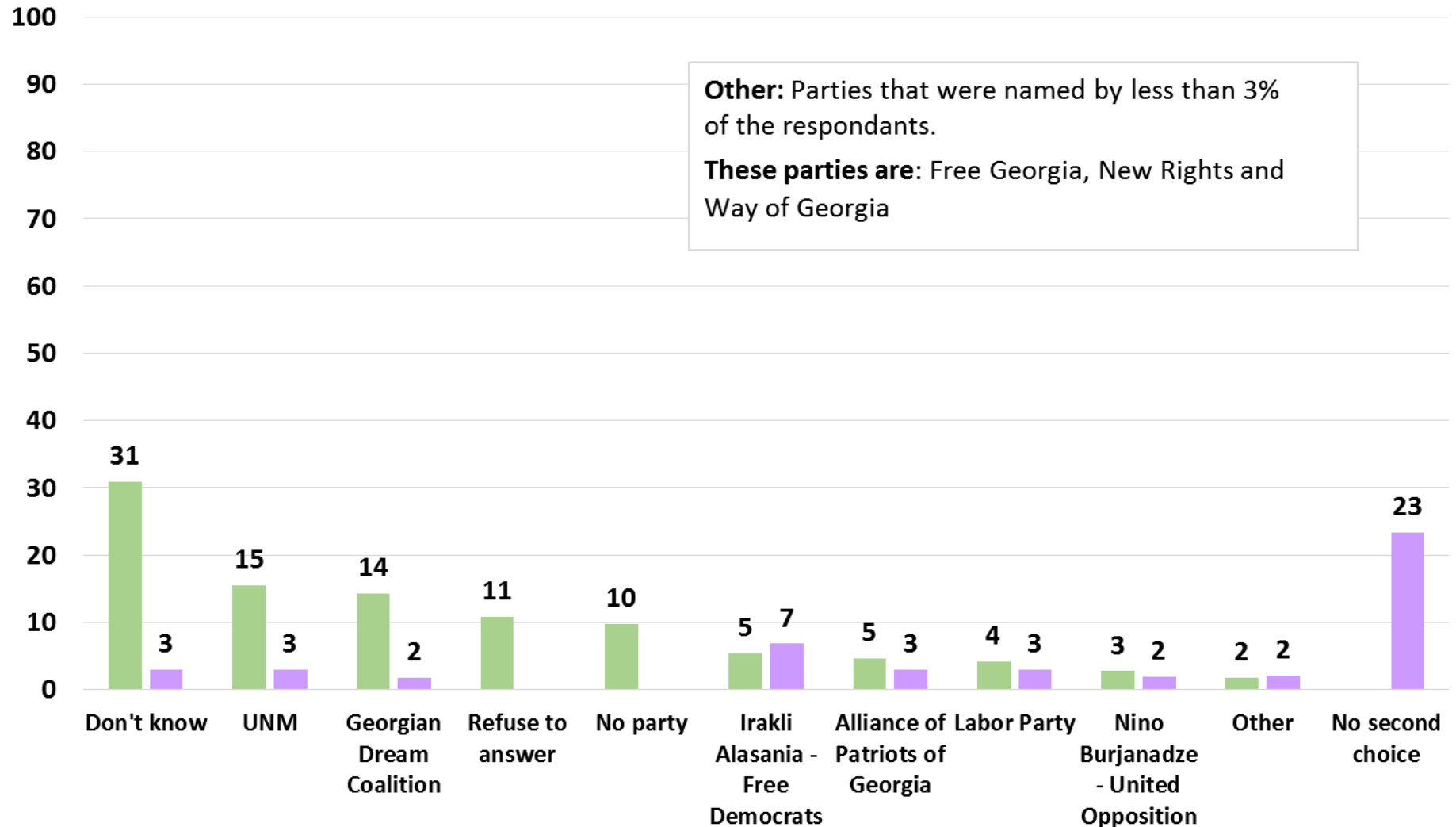


Which party would you vote for? Whole sample (q65)



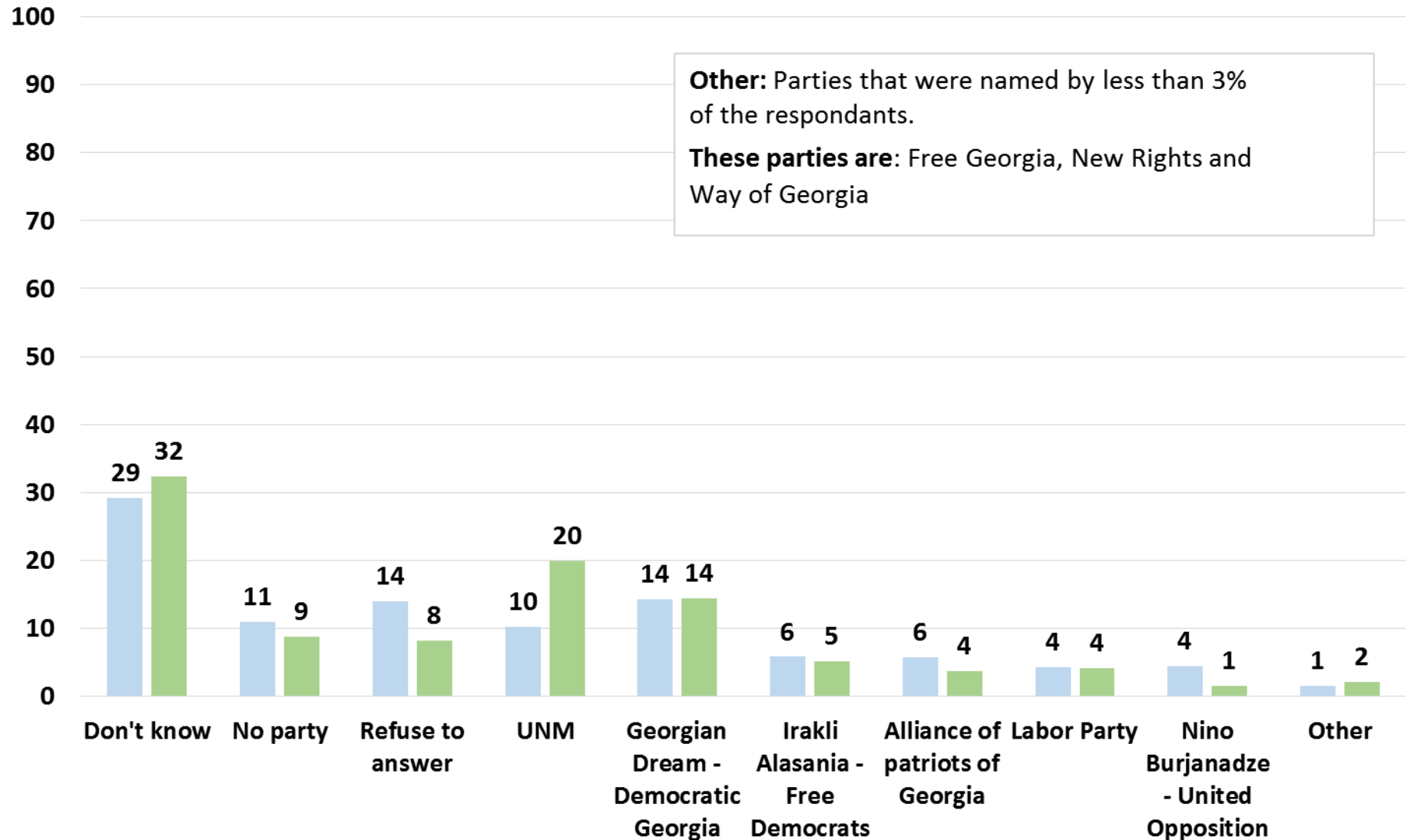
If parliamentary elections were held tomorrow, which party would you vote for? Likely voters only (q65)

■ First choice ■ Second choice



Which party would you vote for? Likely voters only (q65 X Gender)

Male Female



If parliamentary elections were held tomorrow, which party do you think would win? (q62)

