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European Perceptions of Turkey as a Future Member State

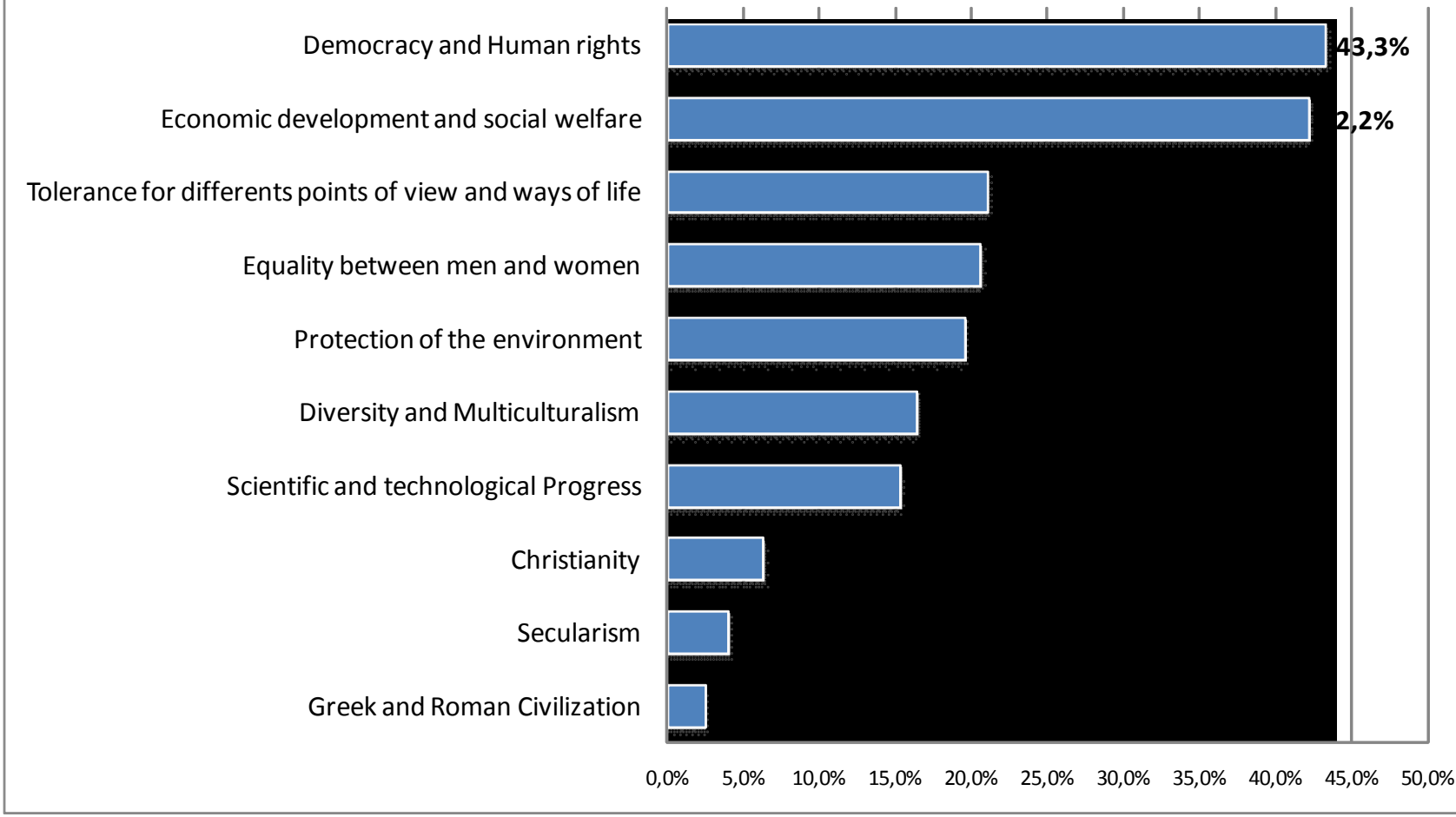
Results of an Opinion Poll in France, Germany, Poland, Spain and the United Kingdom

Field Work: August-September, 2009

Sample Size: 5000+ respondents

MAIN VALUES ASSOCIATED WITH EUROPEAN IDENTITY…

Values Associated with the European Identity (Two Answers)



FUTURE ENLARGEMENTS OF THE EU: WHO TO TAKE IN AND WHEN?

Opinion about the Future Enlargement

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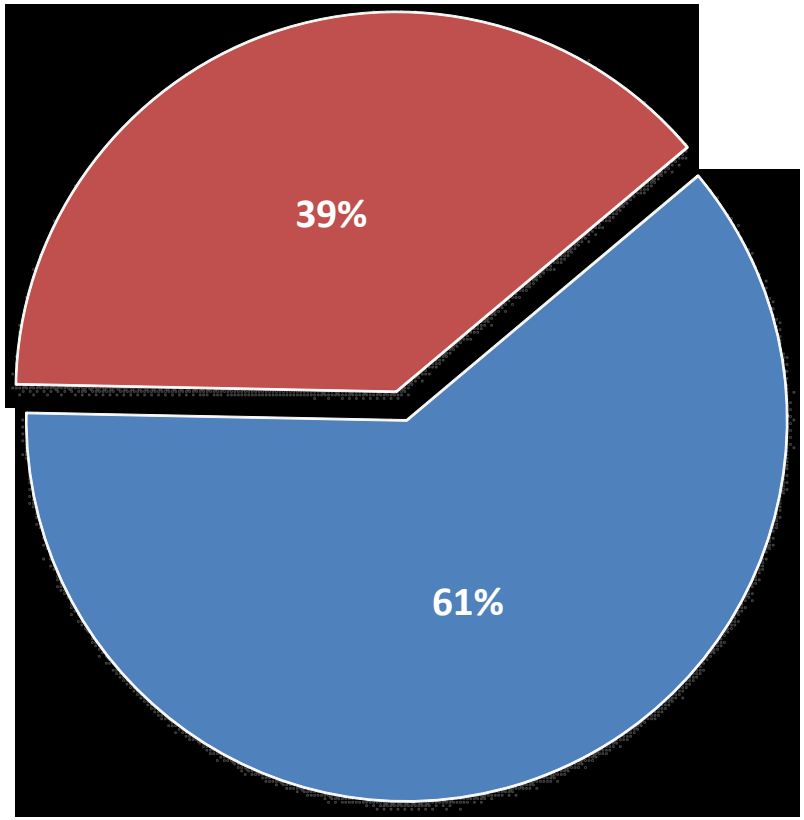

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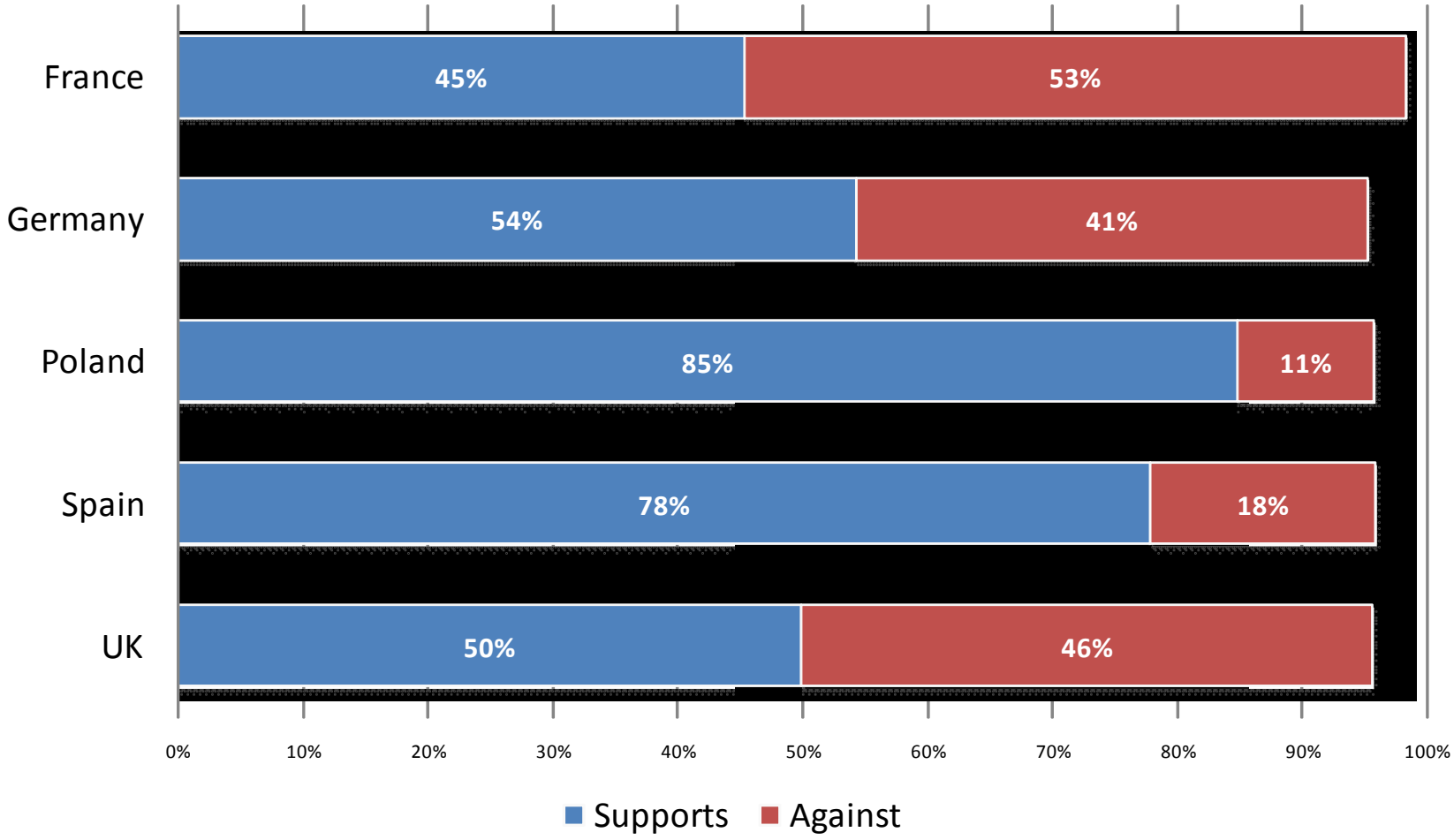

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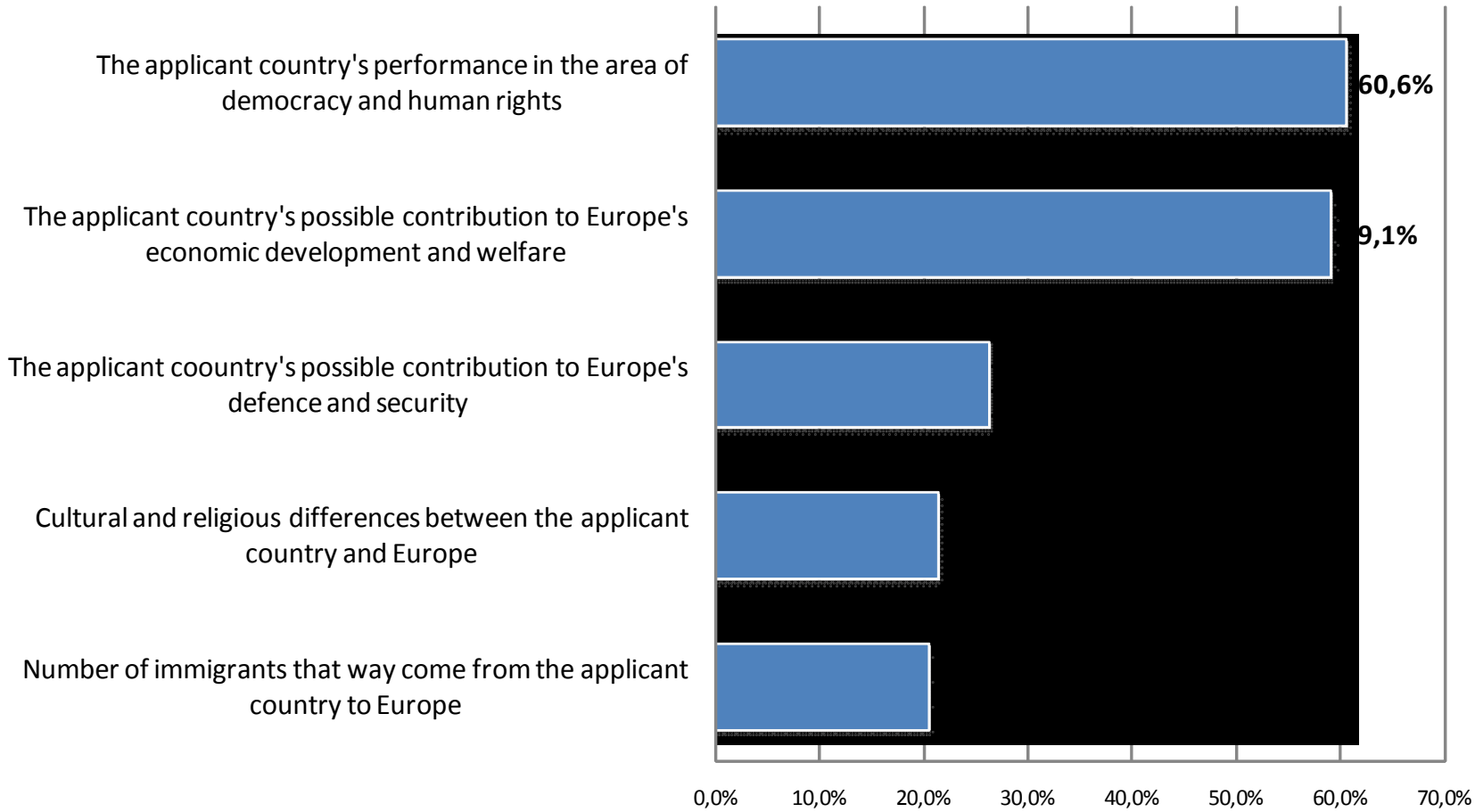

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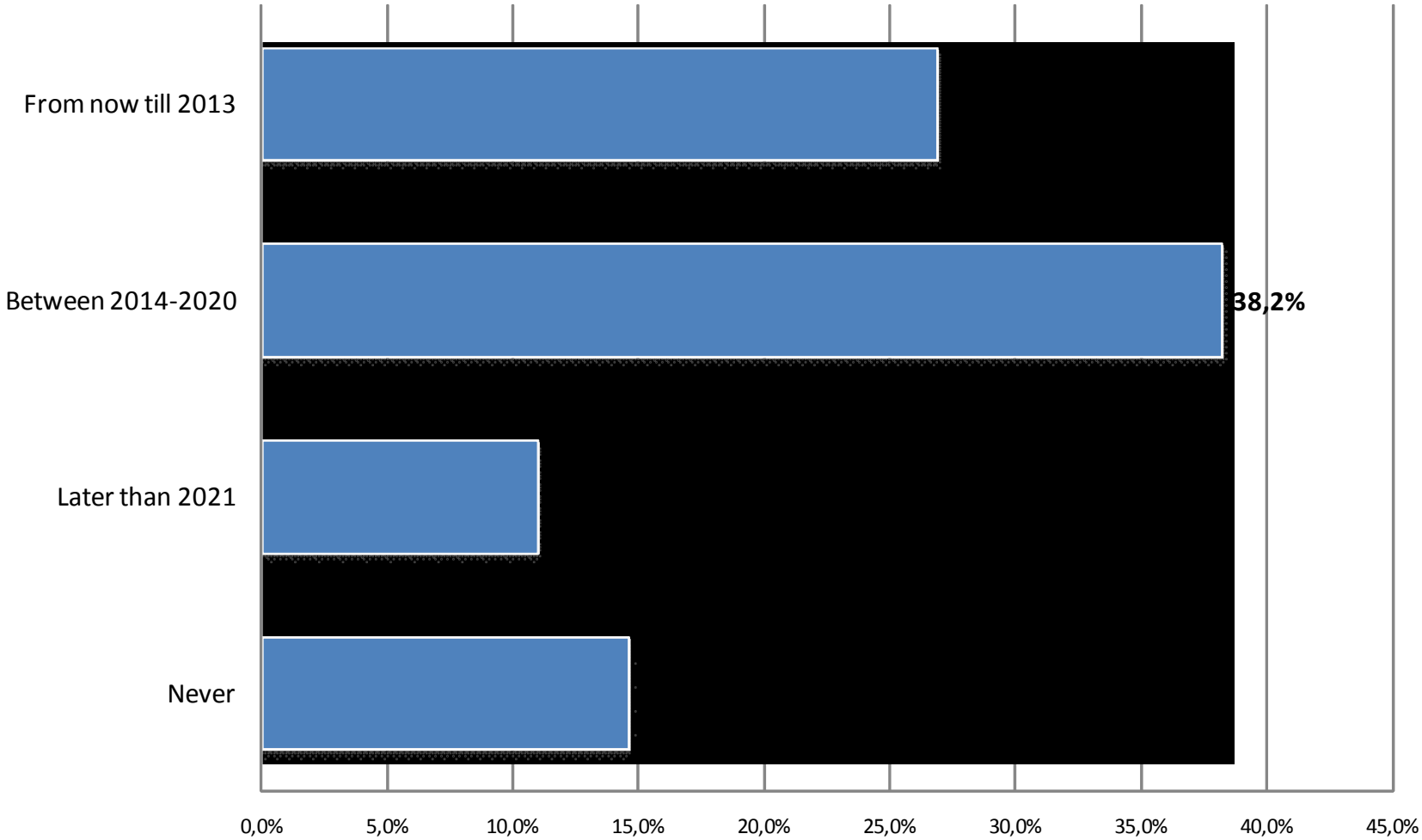

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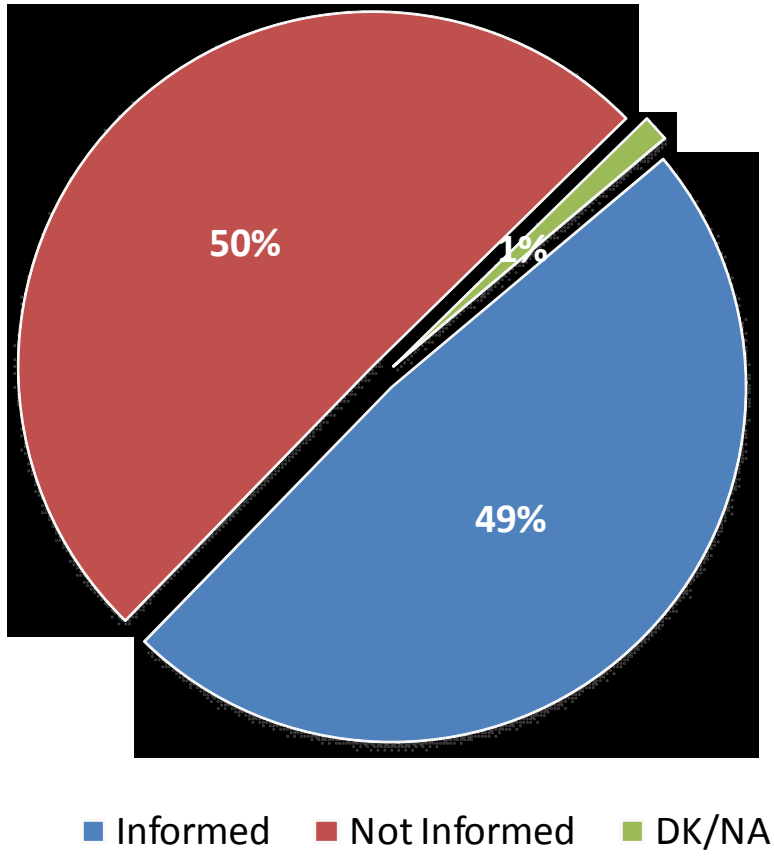

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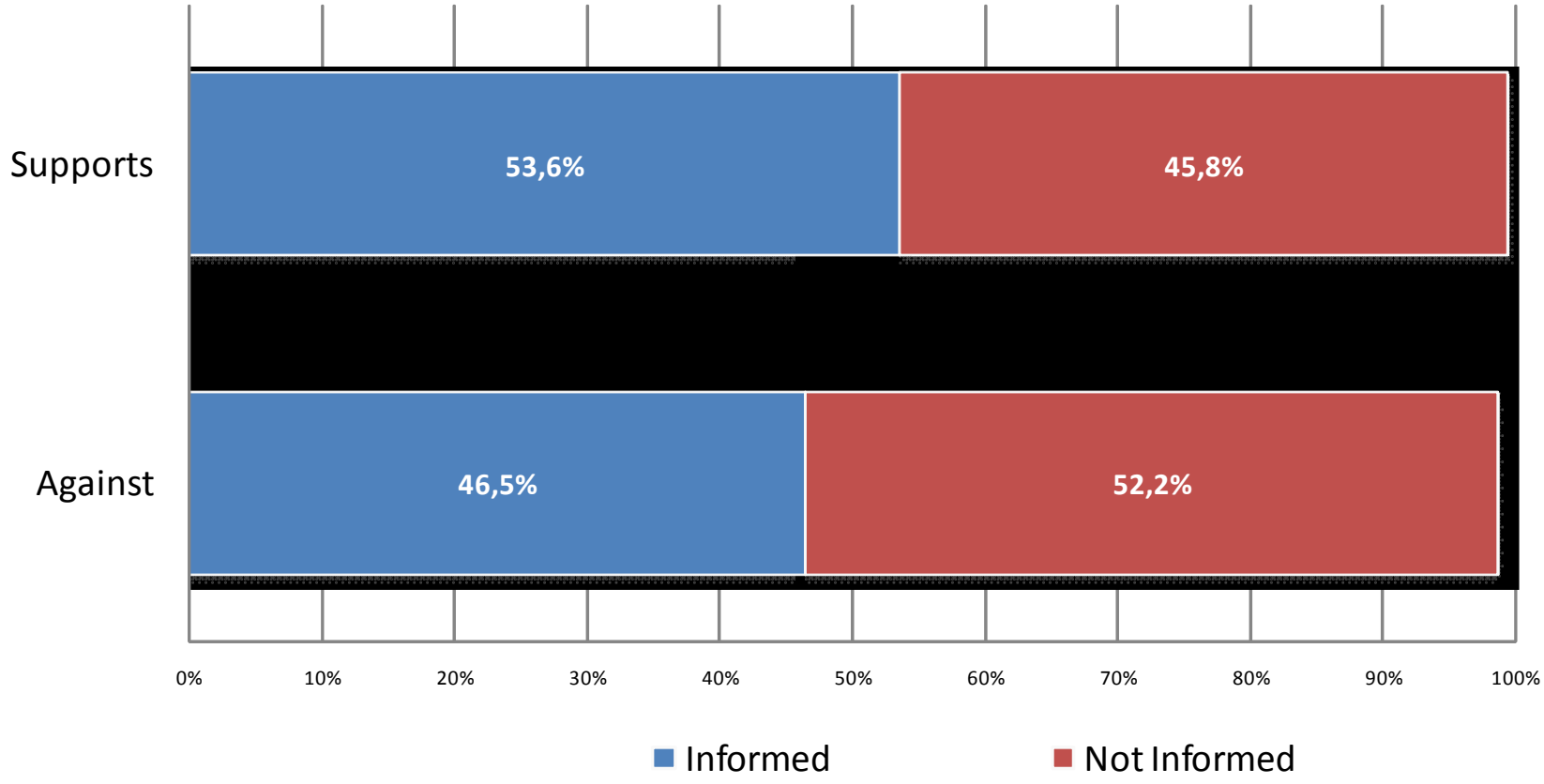

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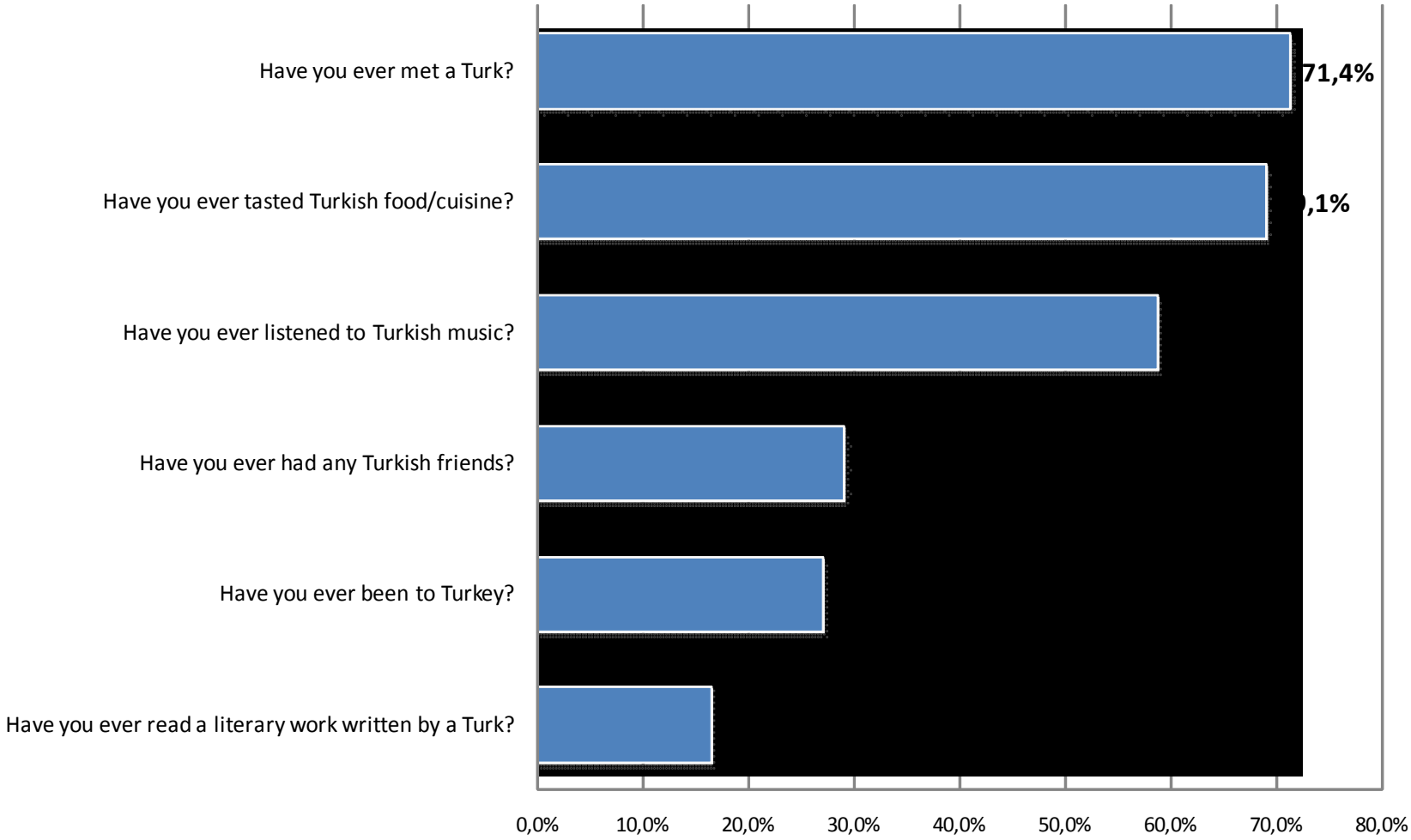

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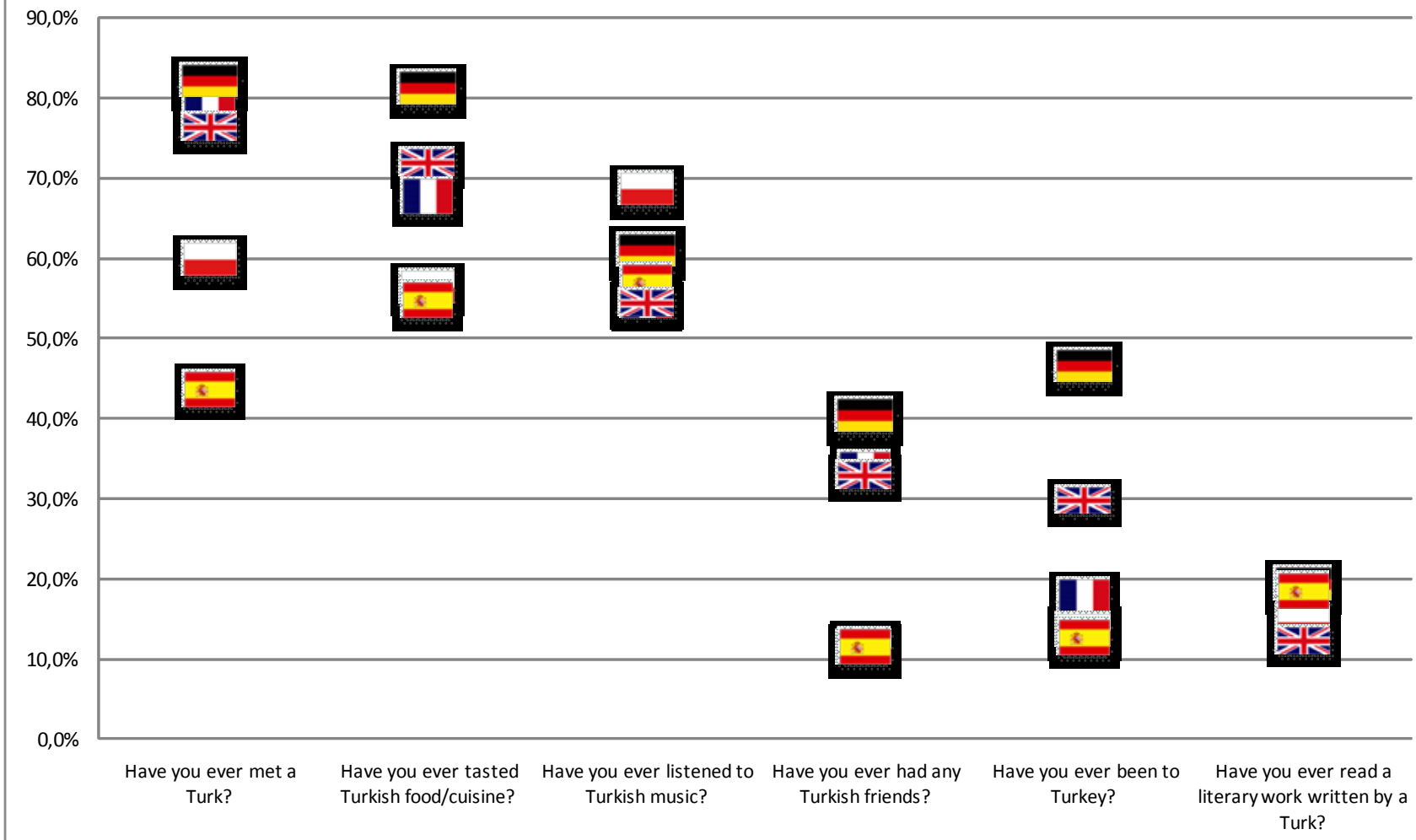

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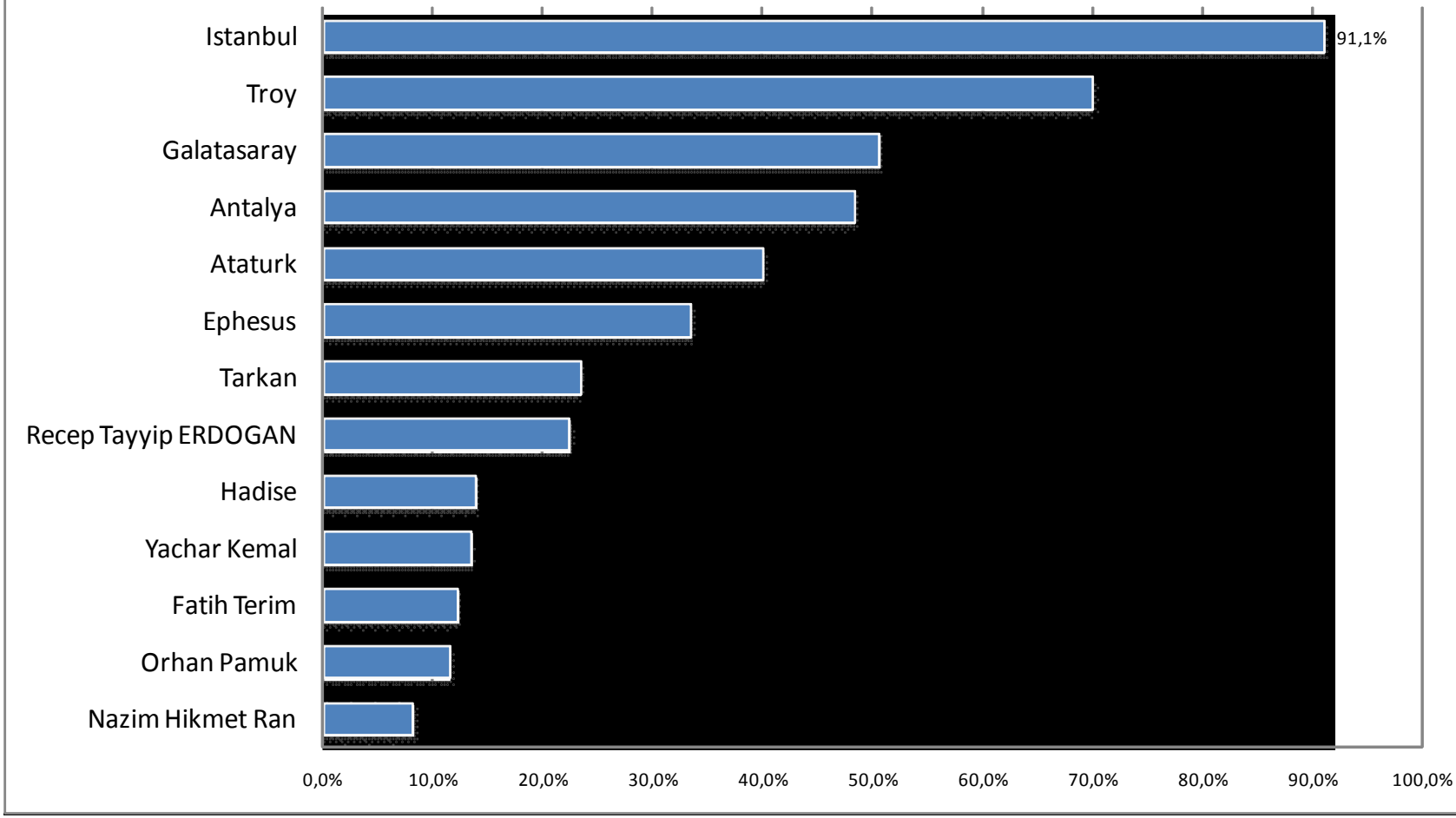

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Opinions about Turkish People
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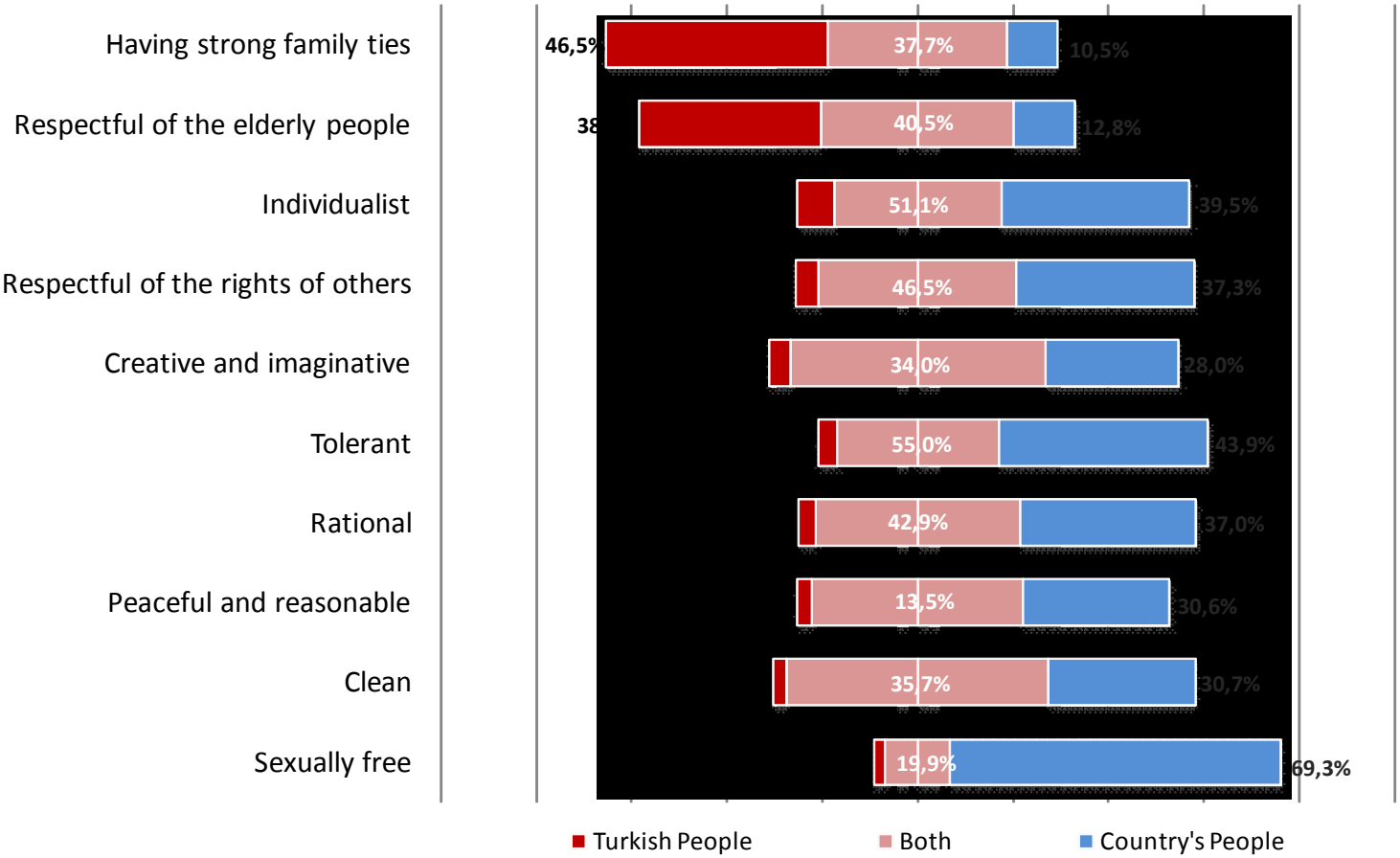

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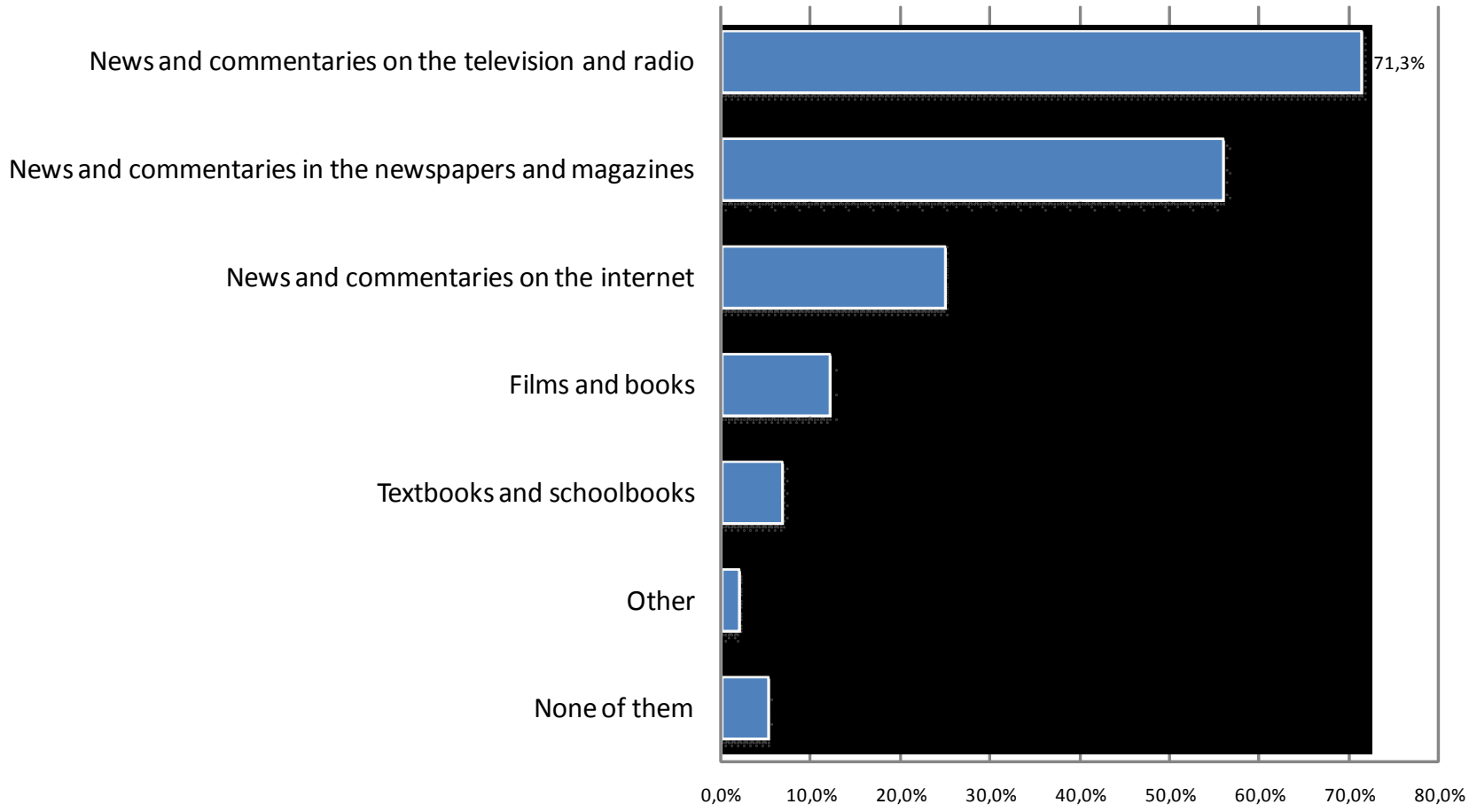

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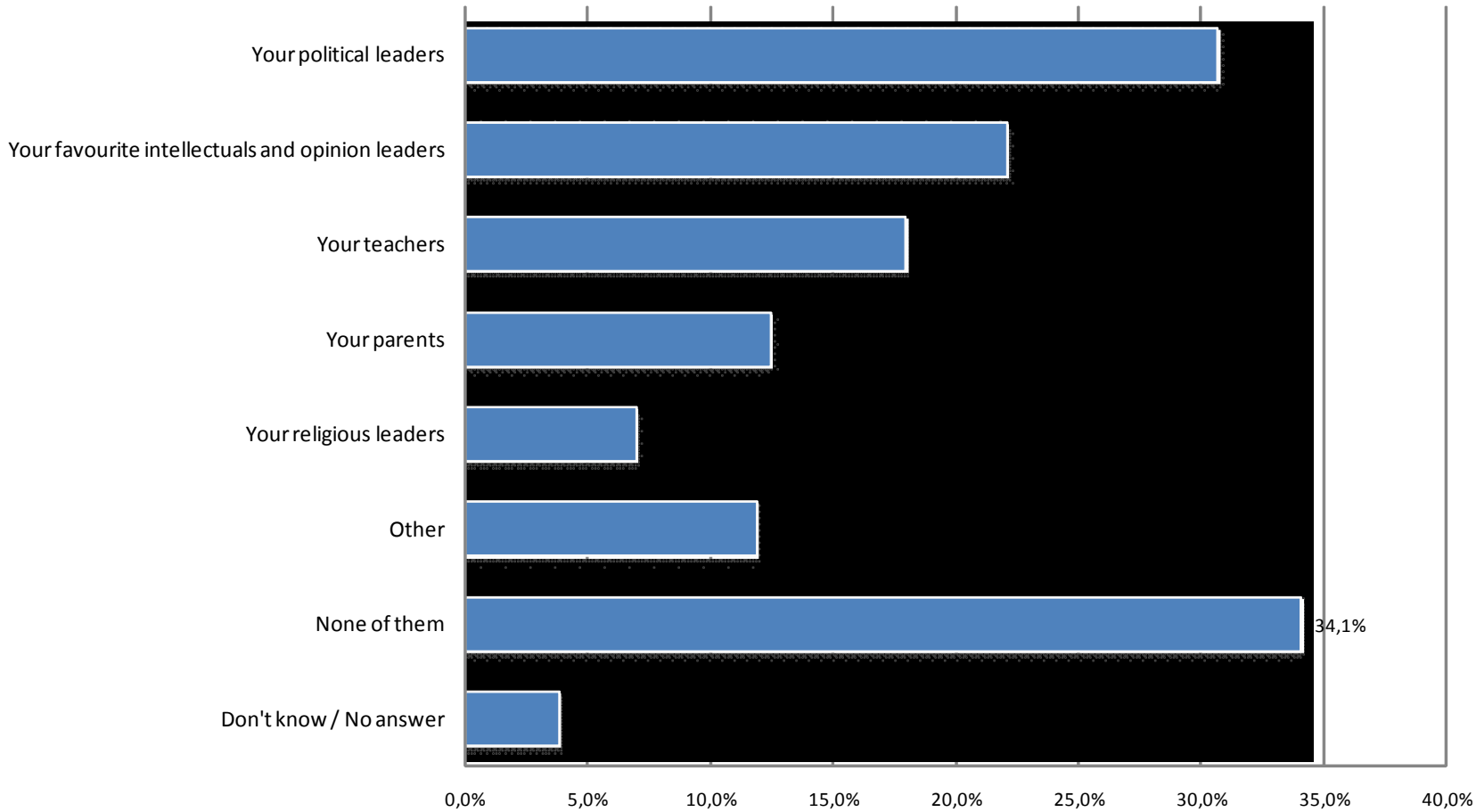

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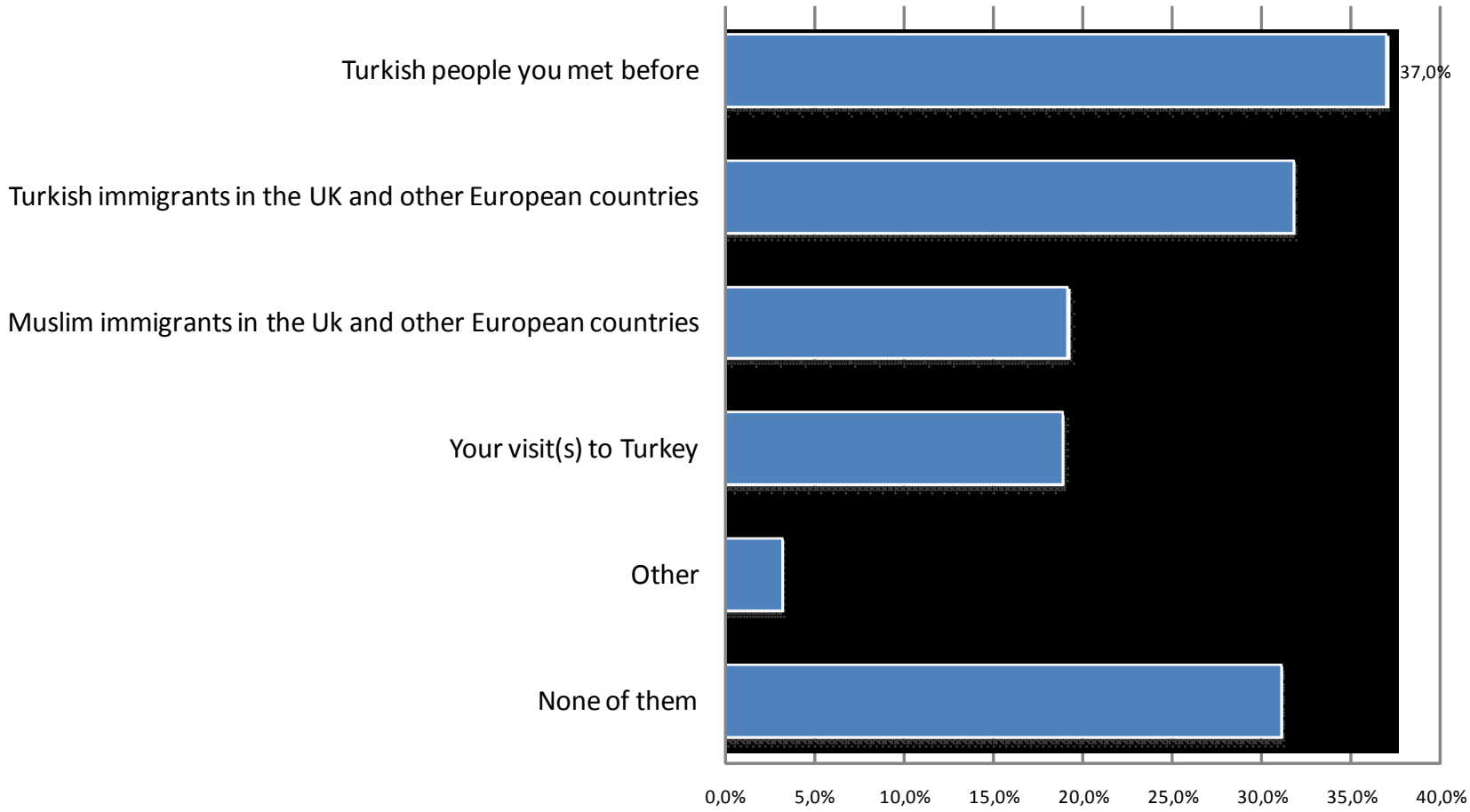

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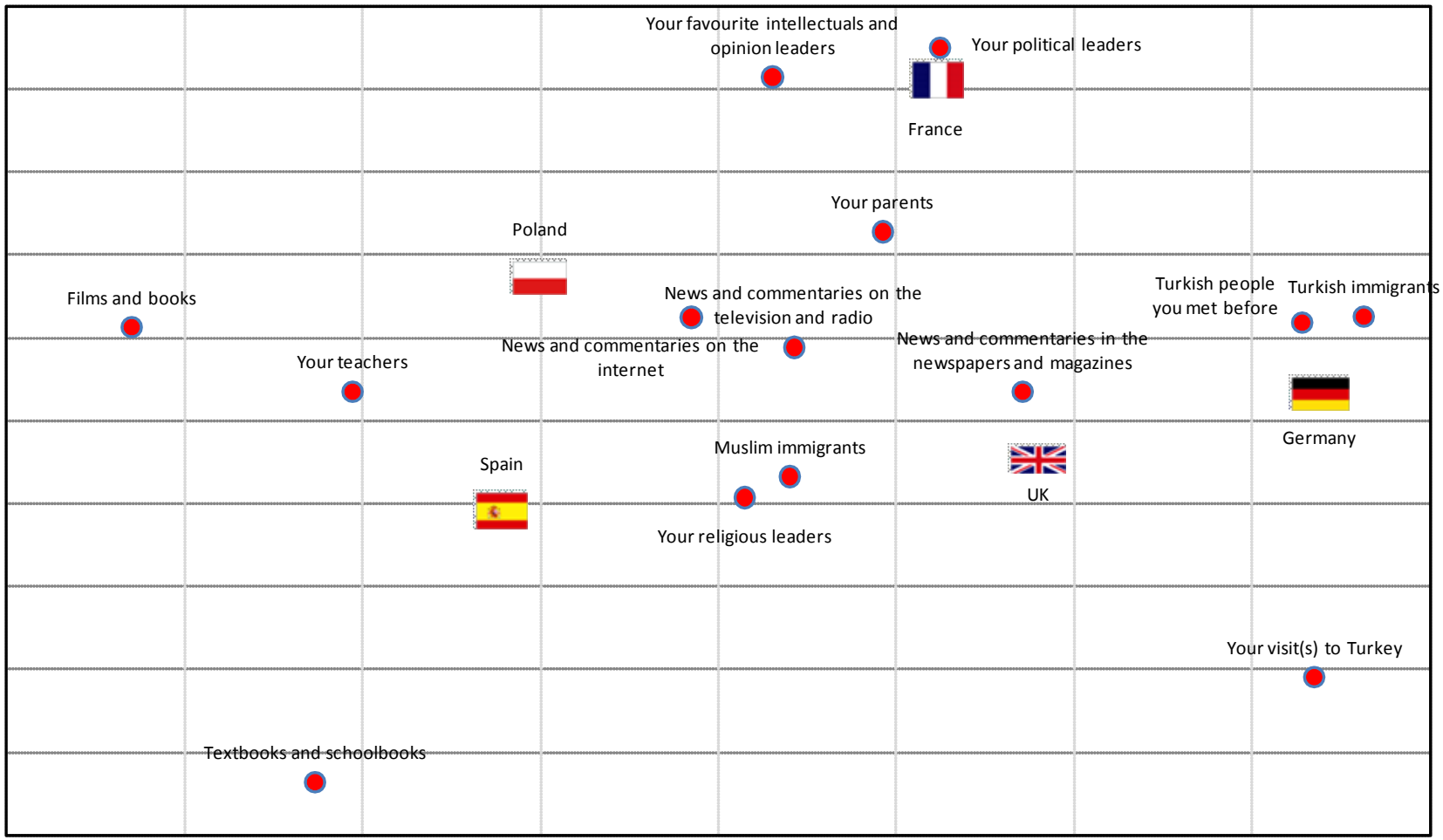

POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE FEELINGS ABOUT TURKEY

Opinions about Turkey
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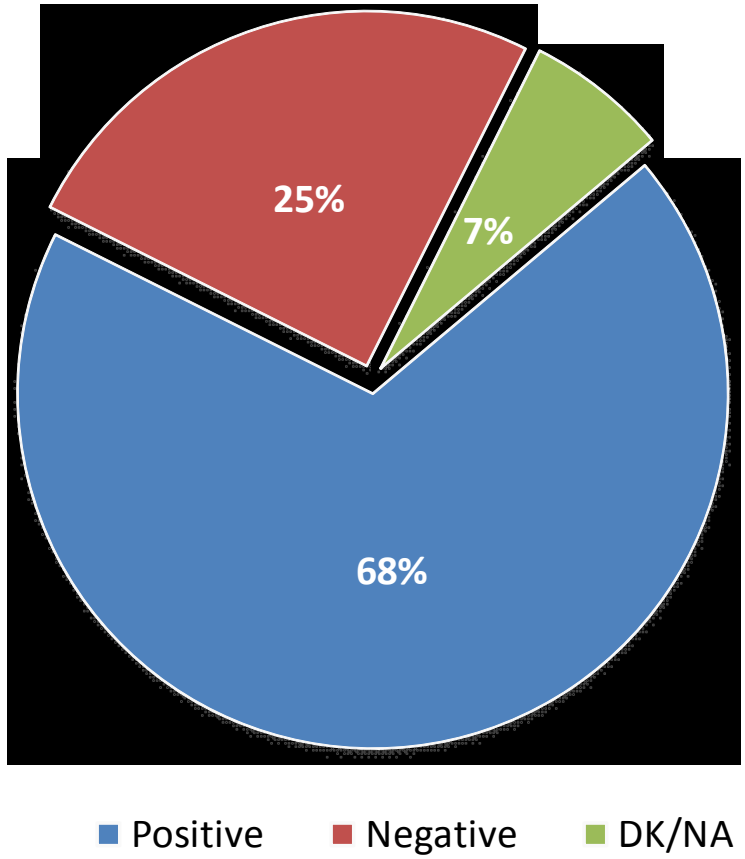

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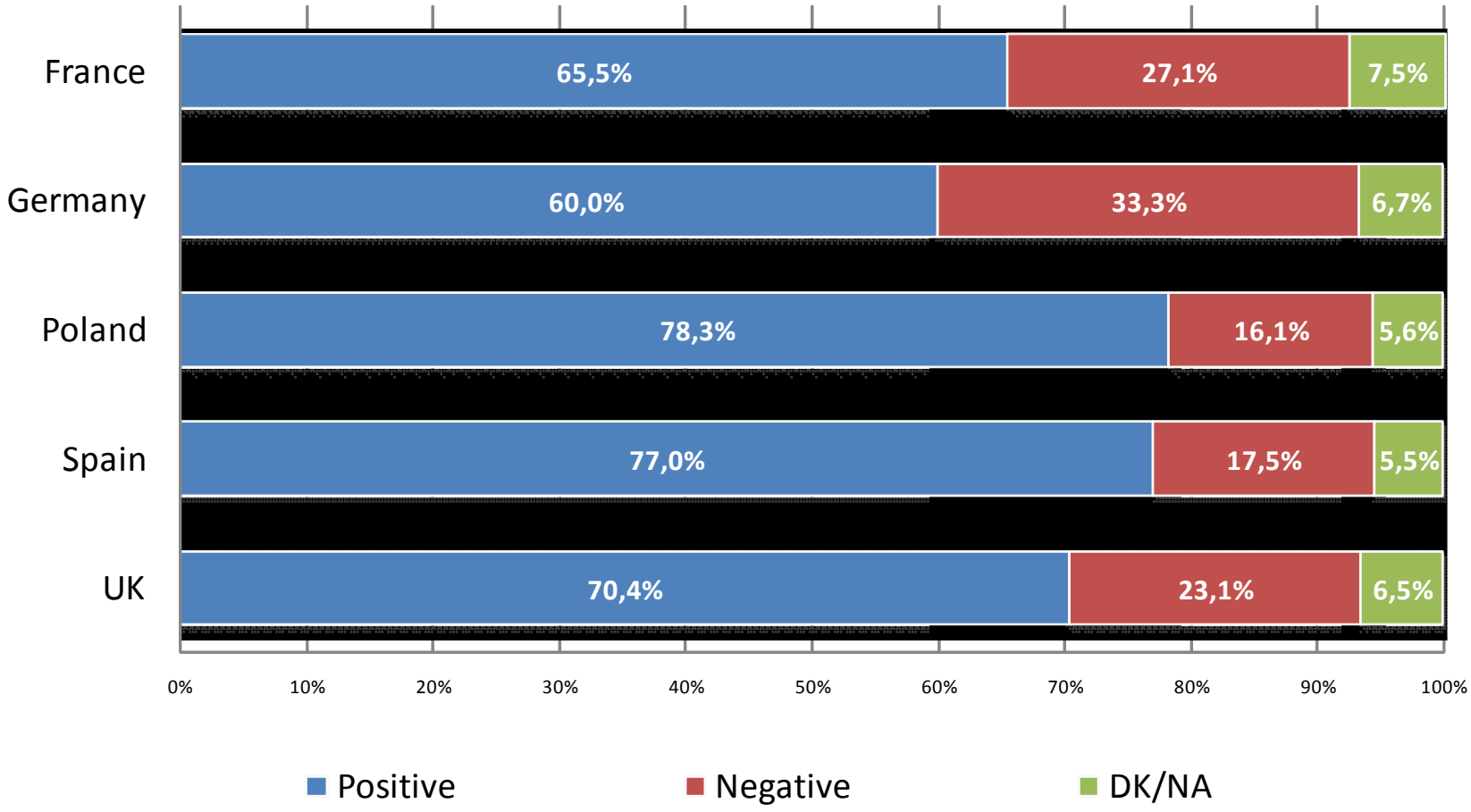

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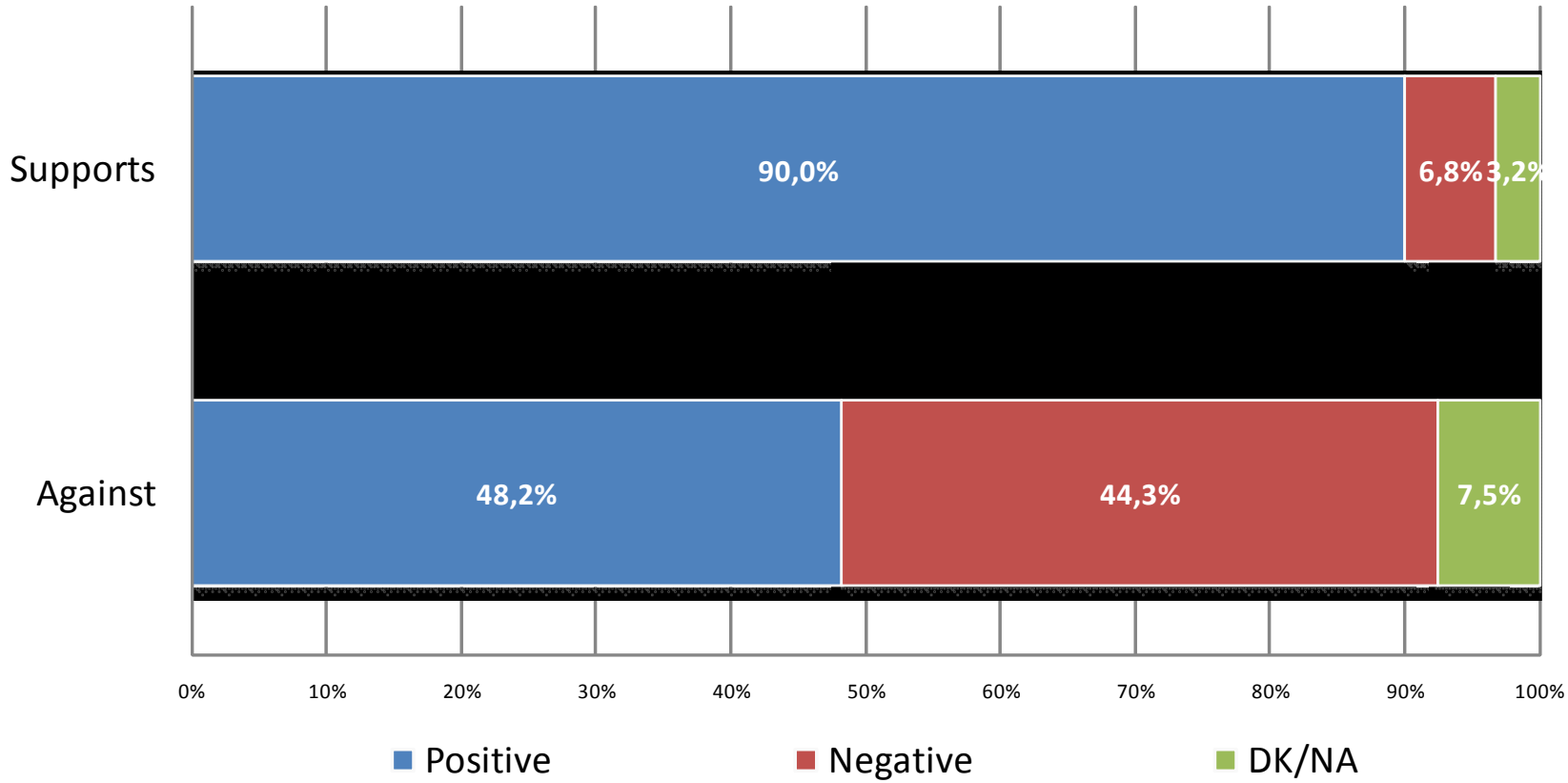

WHO IS FOR AND WHO IS AGAINST TURKEY'S MEMBERSHIP IN THE EU?

Position Regarding Turkey's Membership in the European Union
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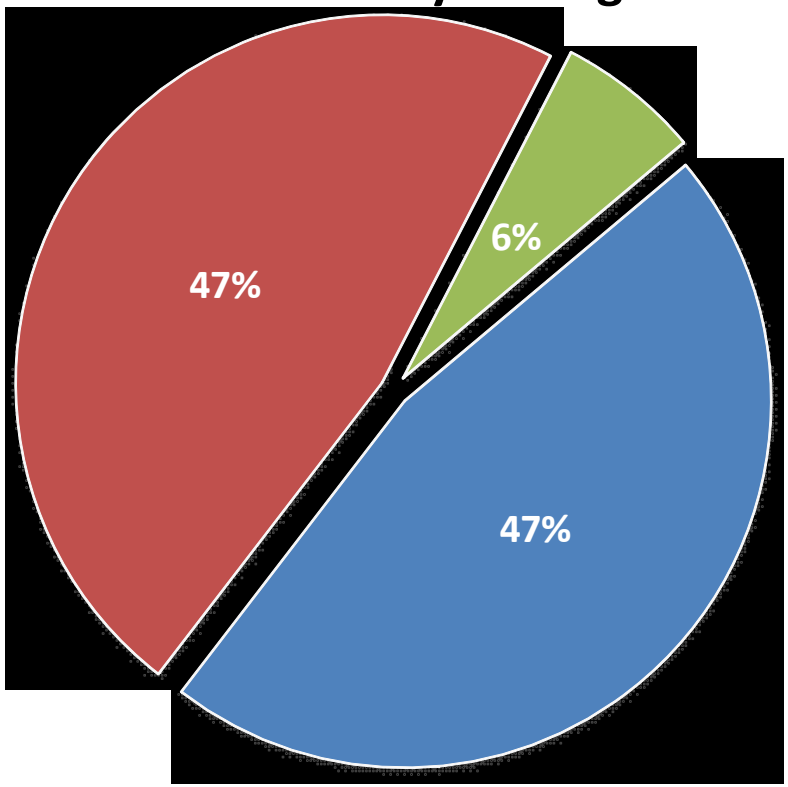

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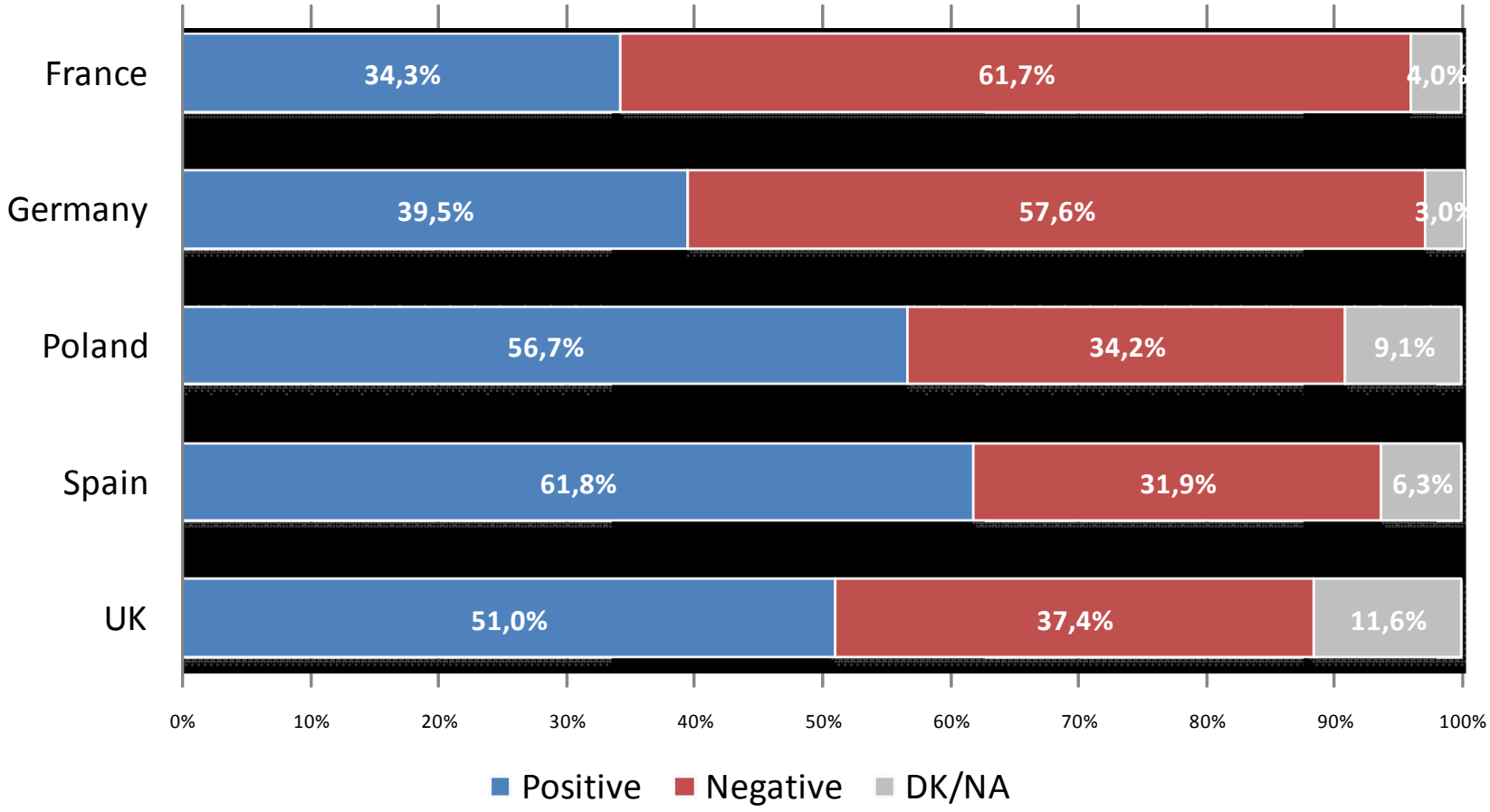

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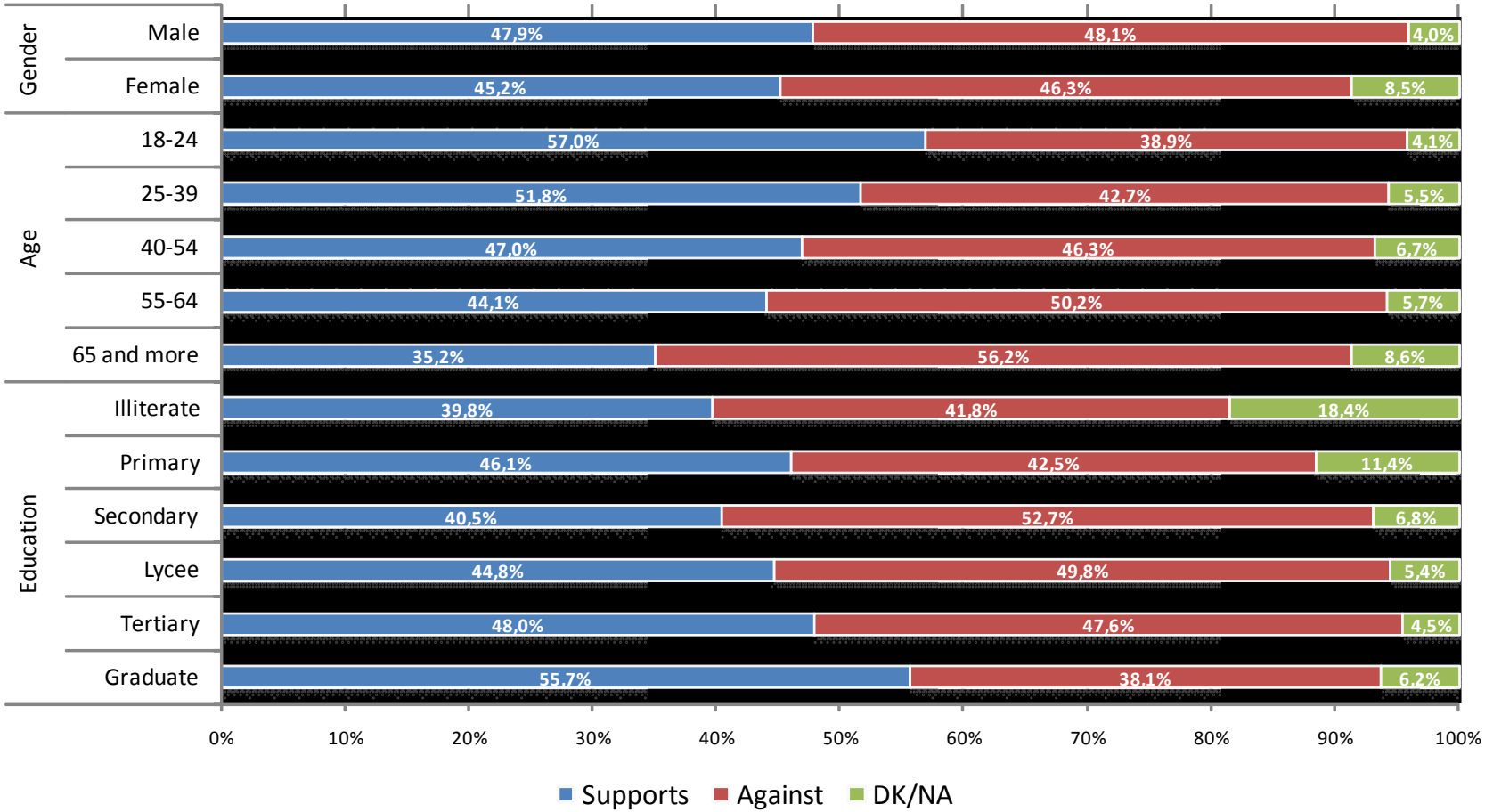

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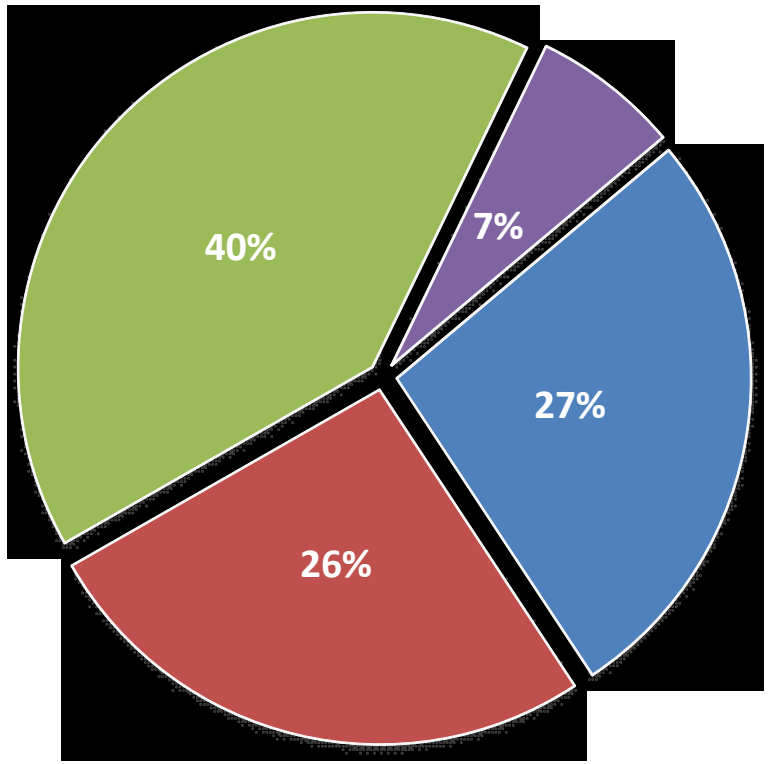

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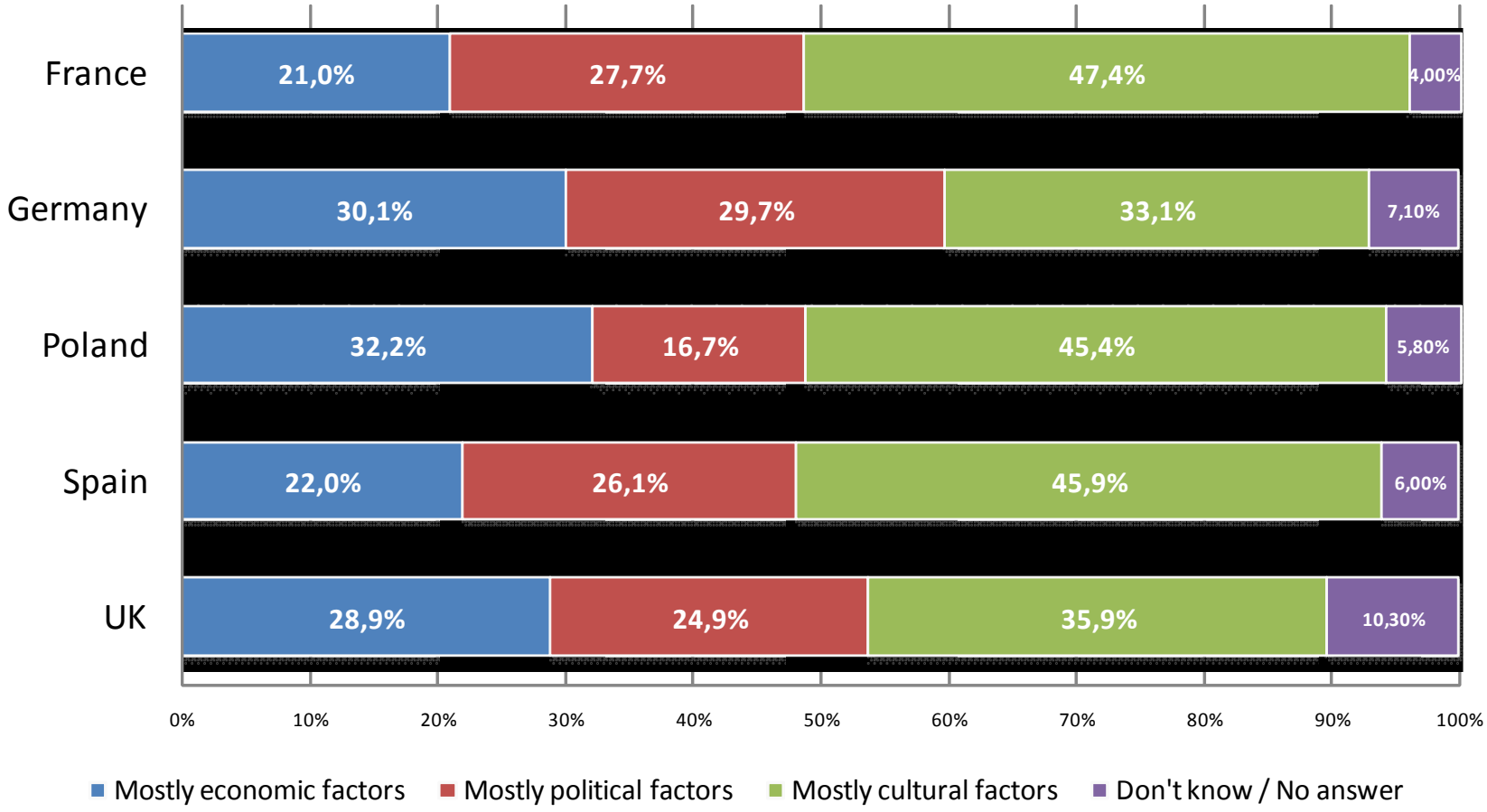

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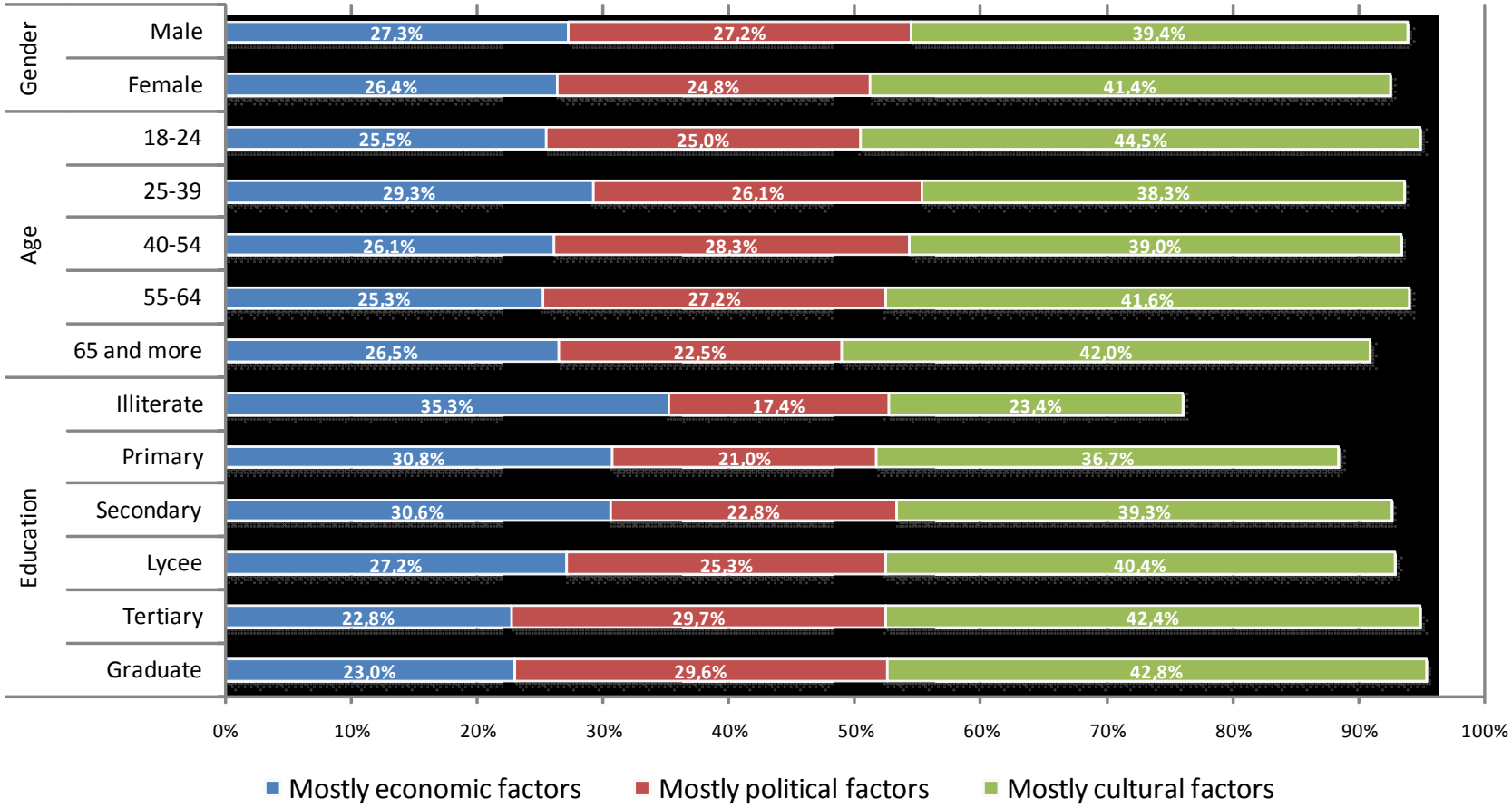

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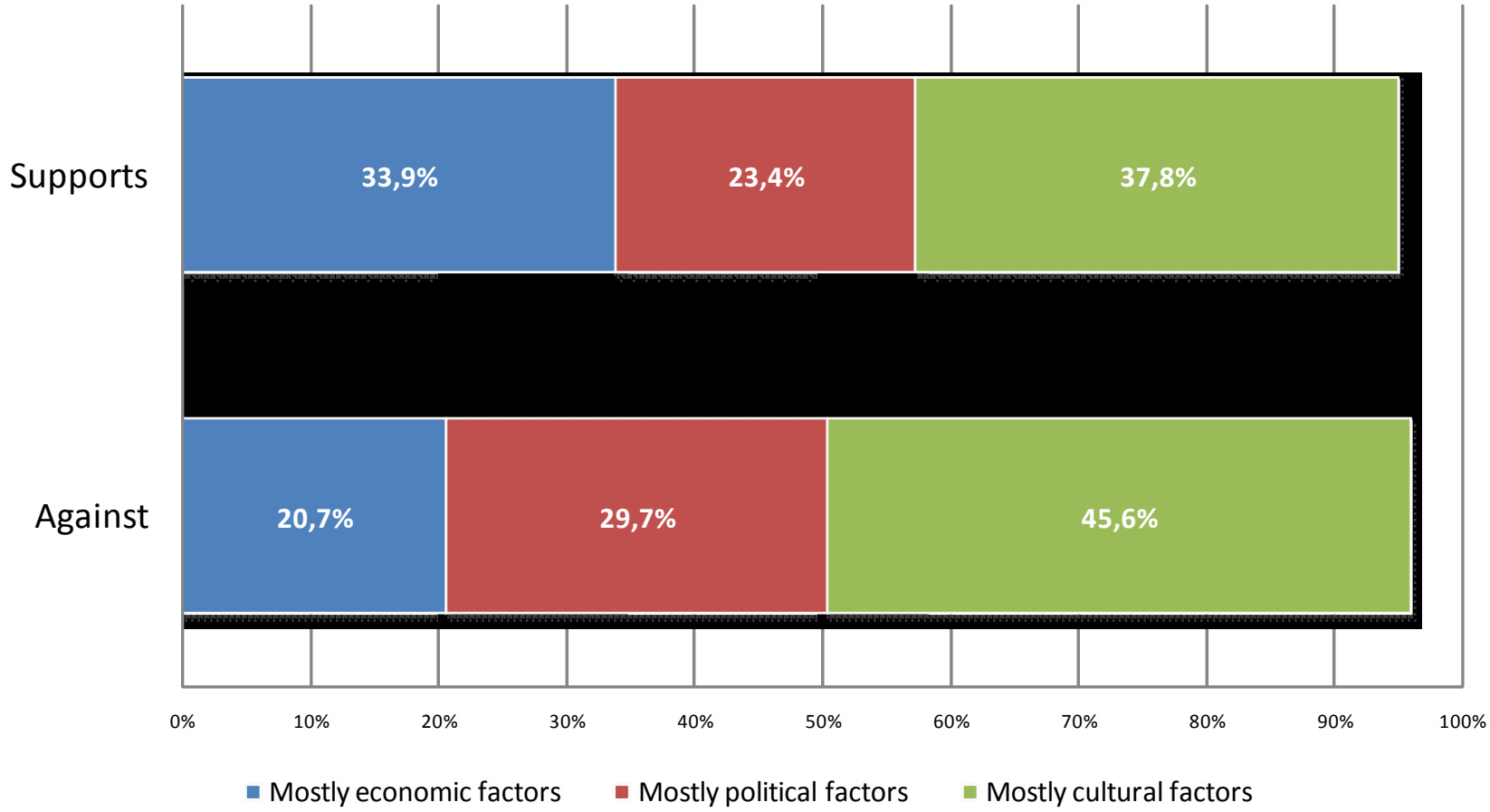

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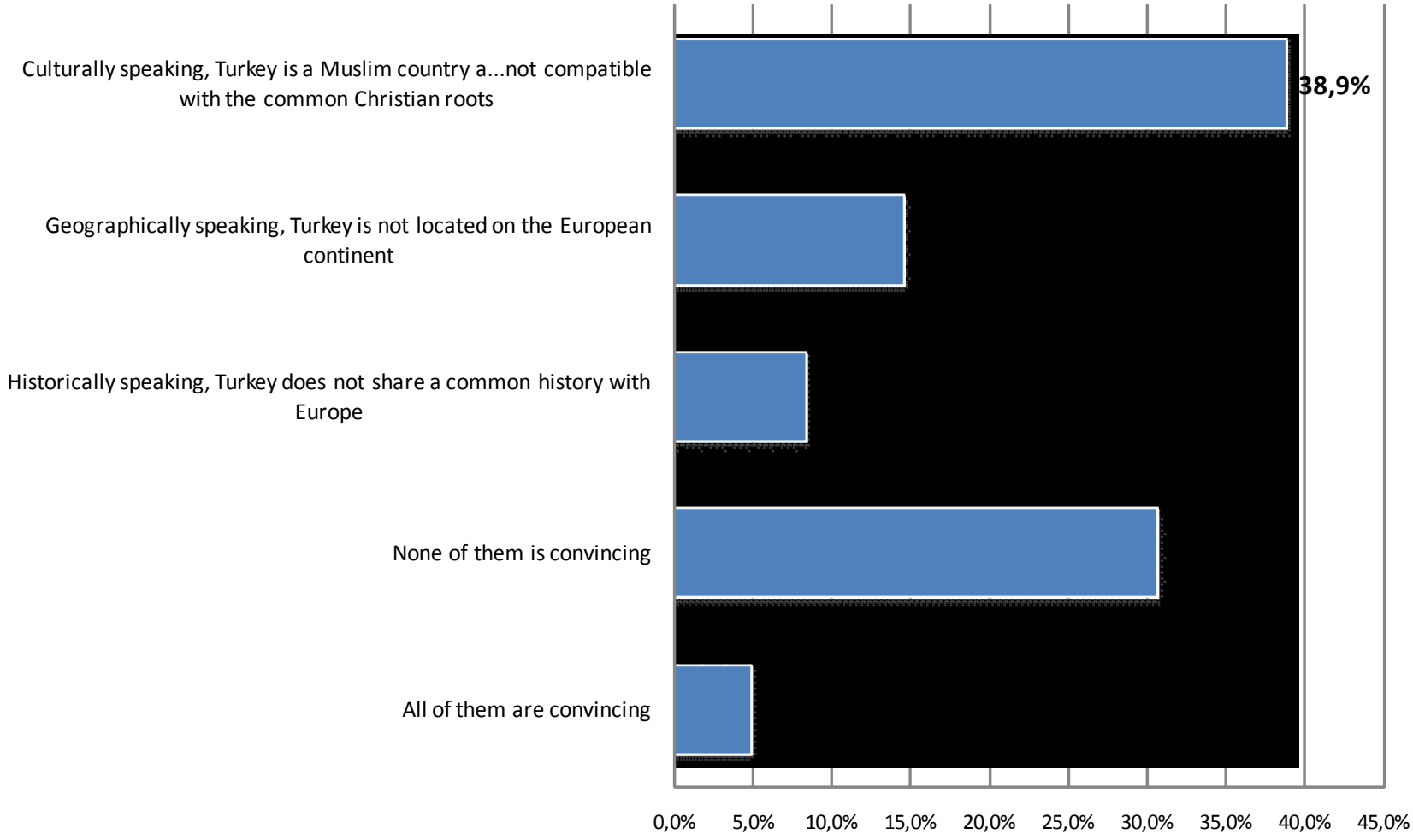

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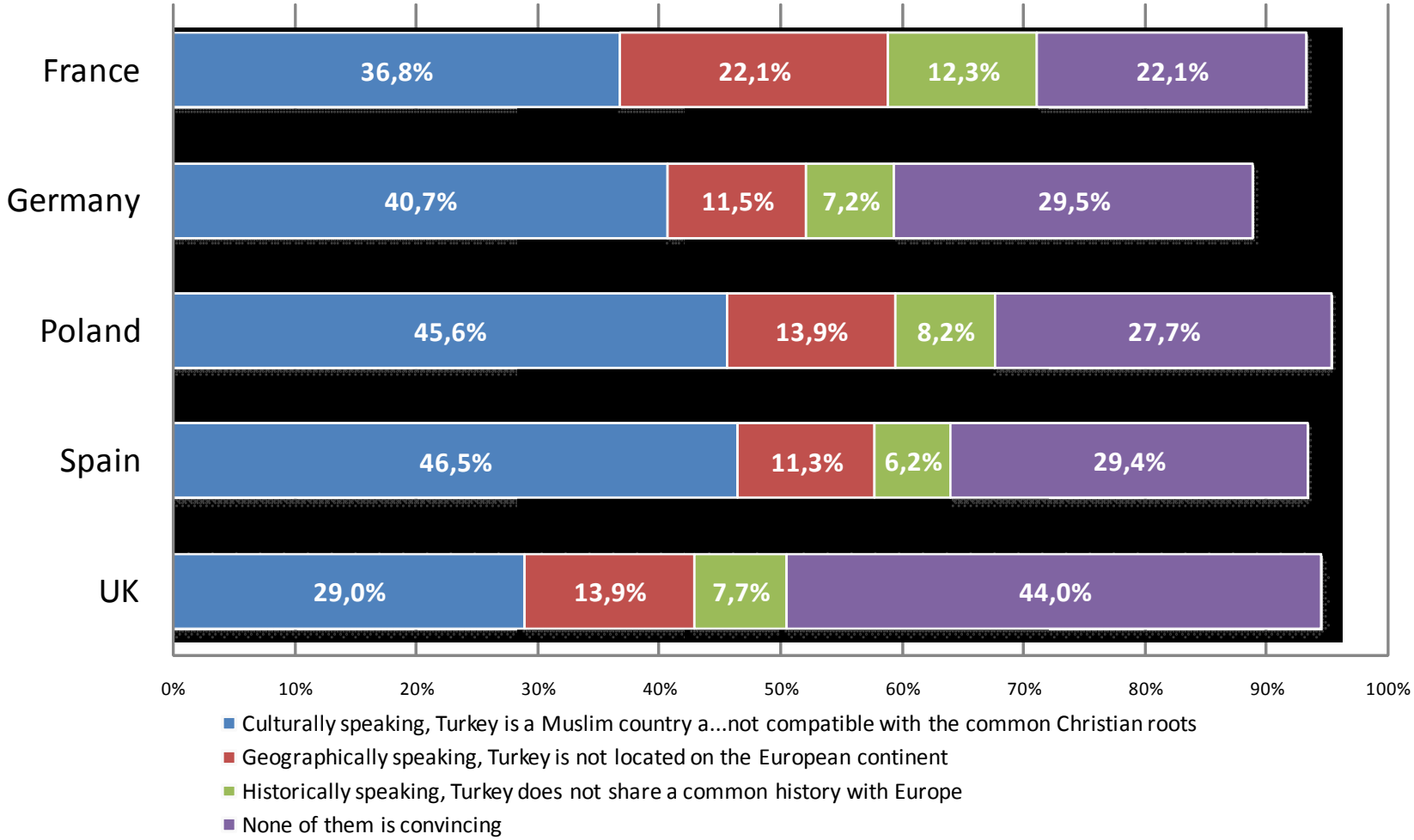

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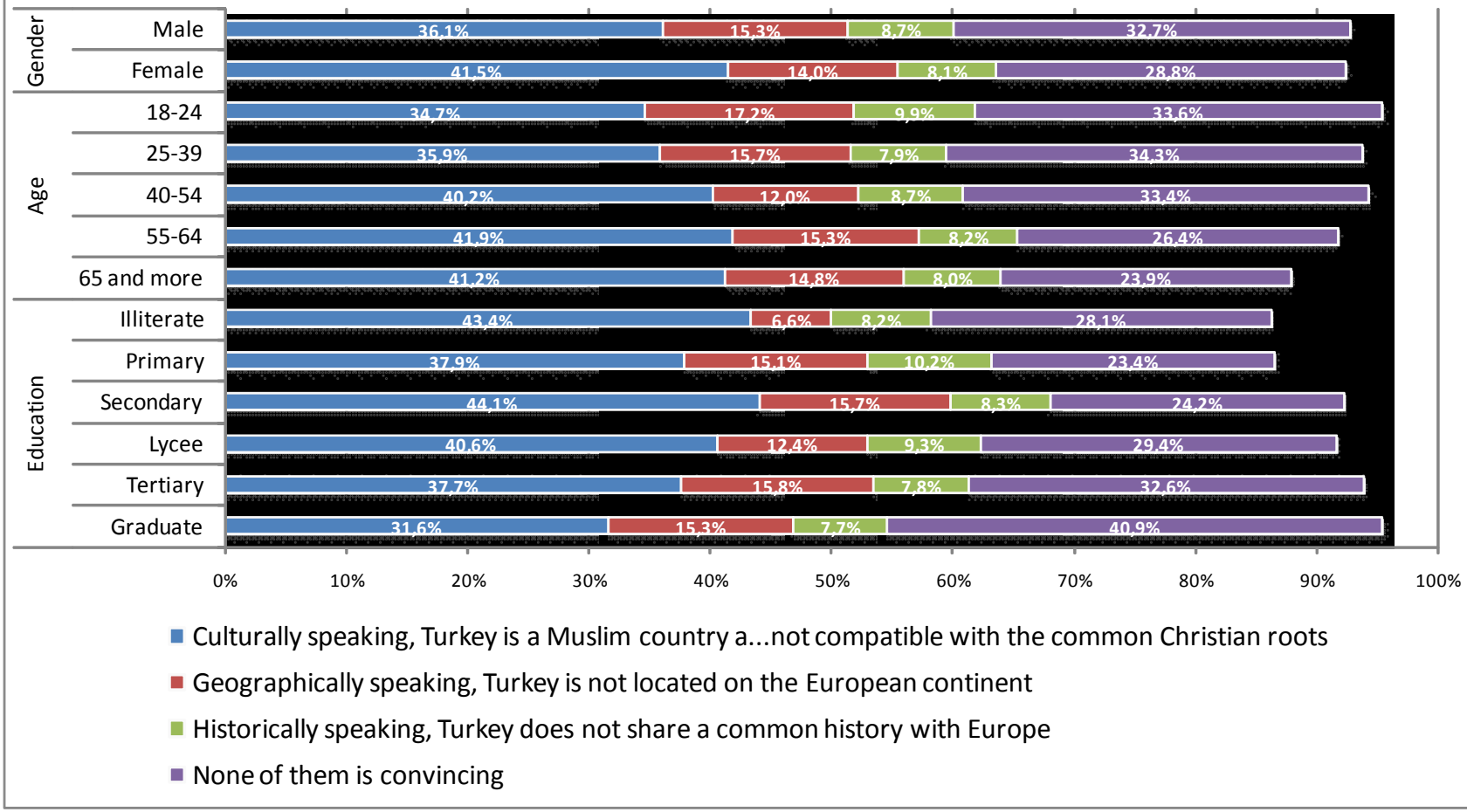

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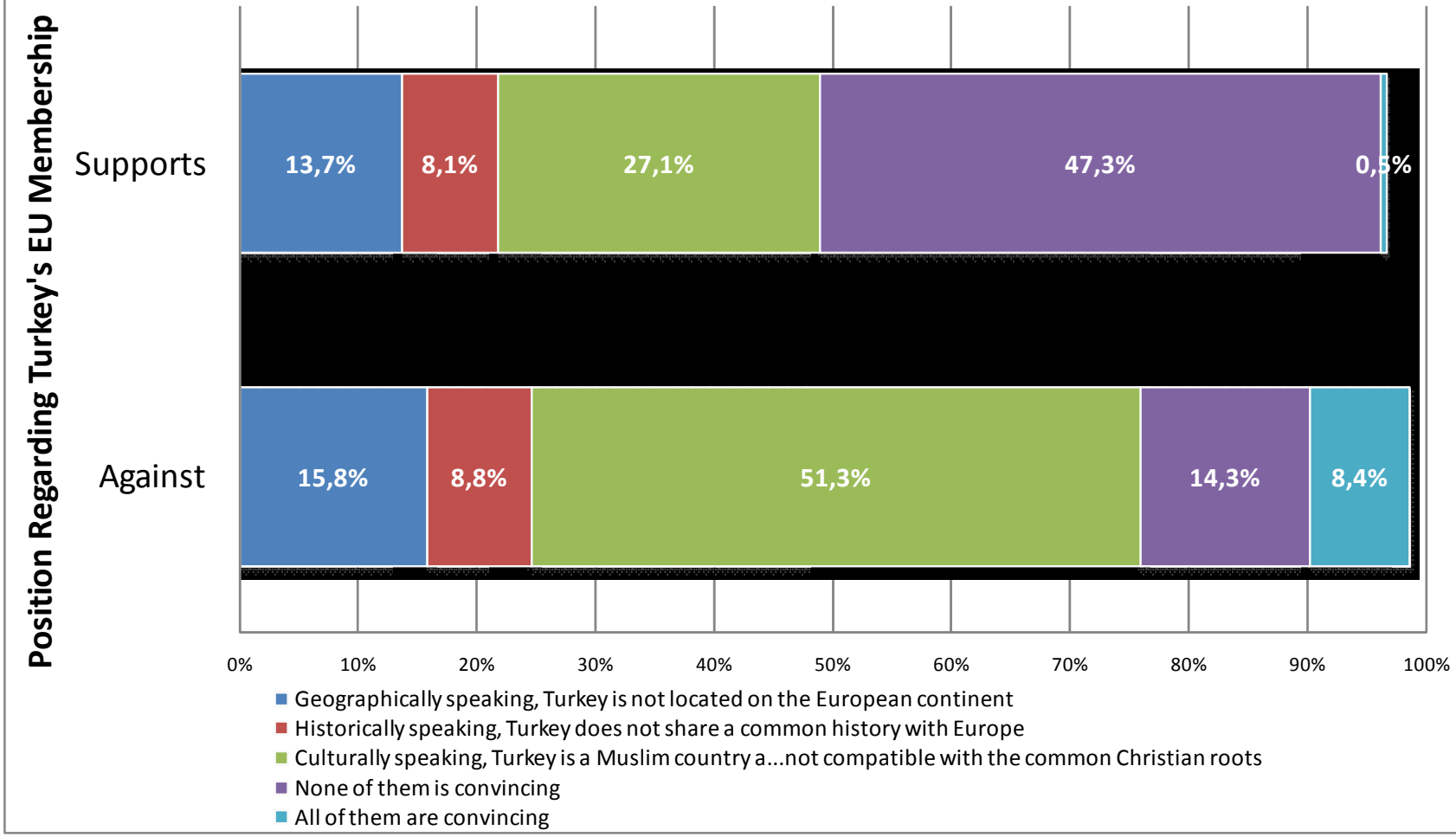

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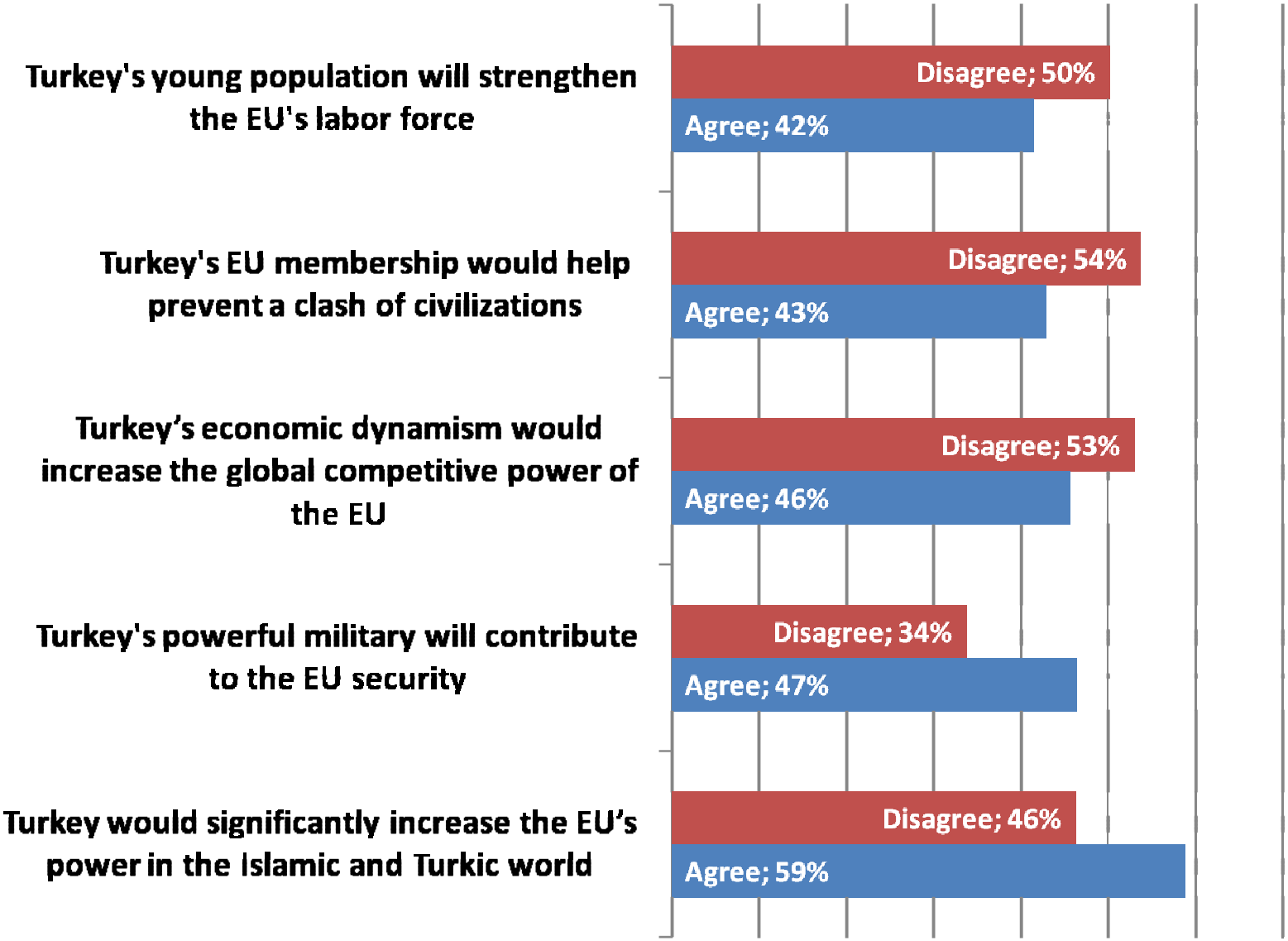
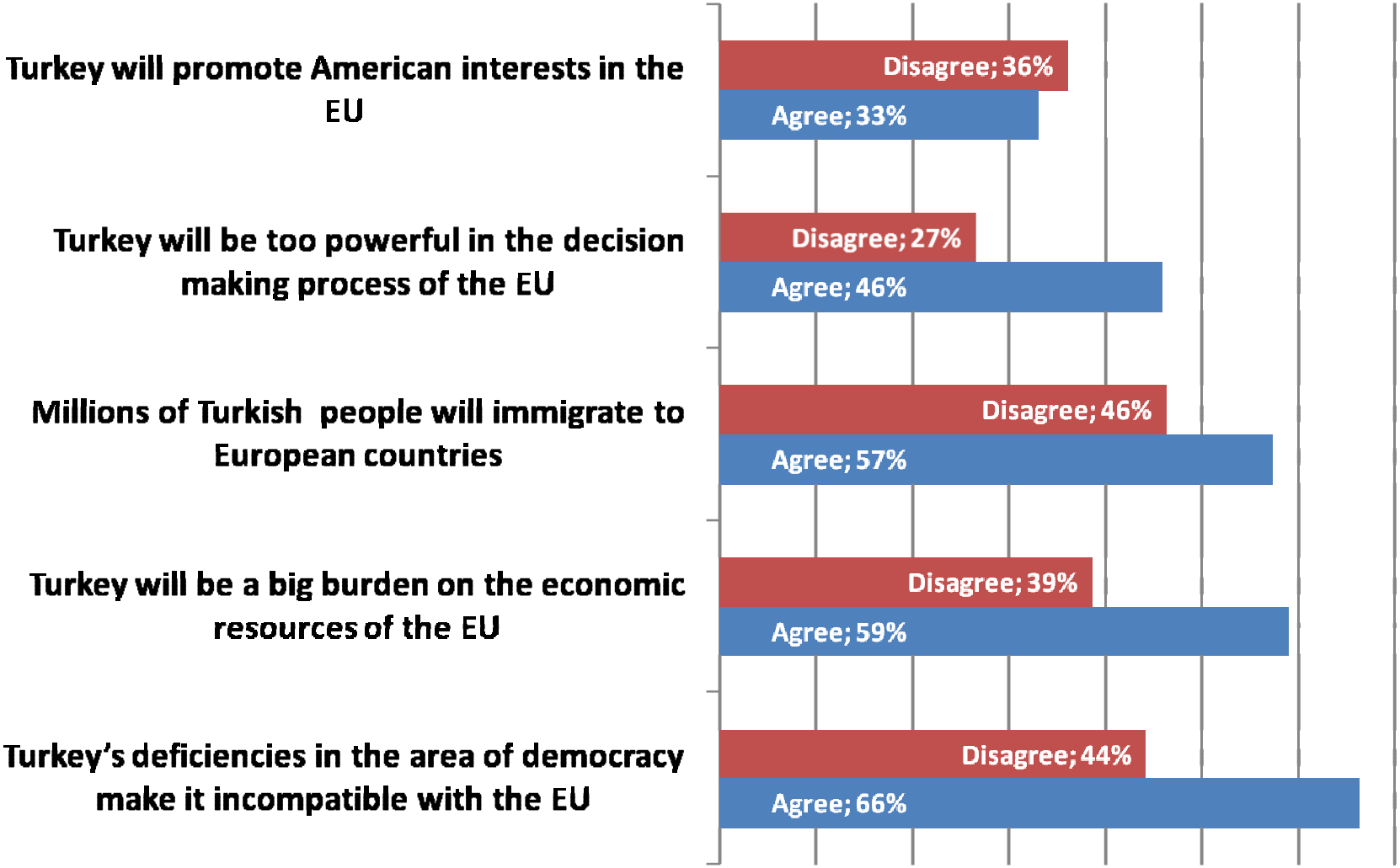

Turkey's young population will strengthen the EU's labor force
Disagree; 50%
Agree; 42%
Turkey's EU membership would help prevent a clash of civilizations
Disagree; 54%
Agree; 43%
Turkey's economic dynamism would increase the global competitive power of the EU
Disagree; 53%
Agree; 46%
Turkey's powerful military will contribute to the EU security
Disagree; 34%
Agree; 47%
Turkey would significantly increase the EU's power in the Islamic and Turkic world
Disagree; 46%
Agree; 59%


Turkey will promote American interests in the EU
Disagree; 36%
Agree; 33%
Turkey will be too powerful in the decision making process of the EU
Disagree; 27%
Agree; 46%
Millions of Turkish people will immigrate to European countries
Disagree; 46%
Agree; 57%
Turkey will be a big burden on the economic resources of the EU
Disagree; 39%
Agree; 59%
Turkey's deficiencies in the area of democracy make it incompatible with the EU
Disagree; 44%
Agree; 66%

PACTA SUNT SERVANDA: HOW MORALLY BINDING ARE THE PRIOR EU DECISIONS TO MAKE TURKEY A MEMBER?

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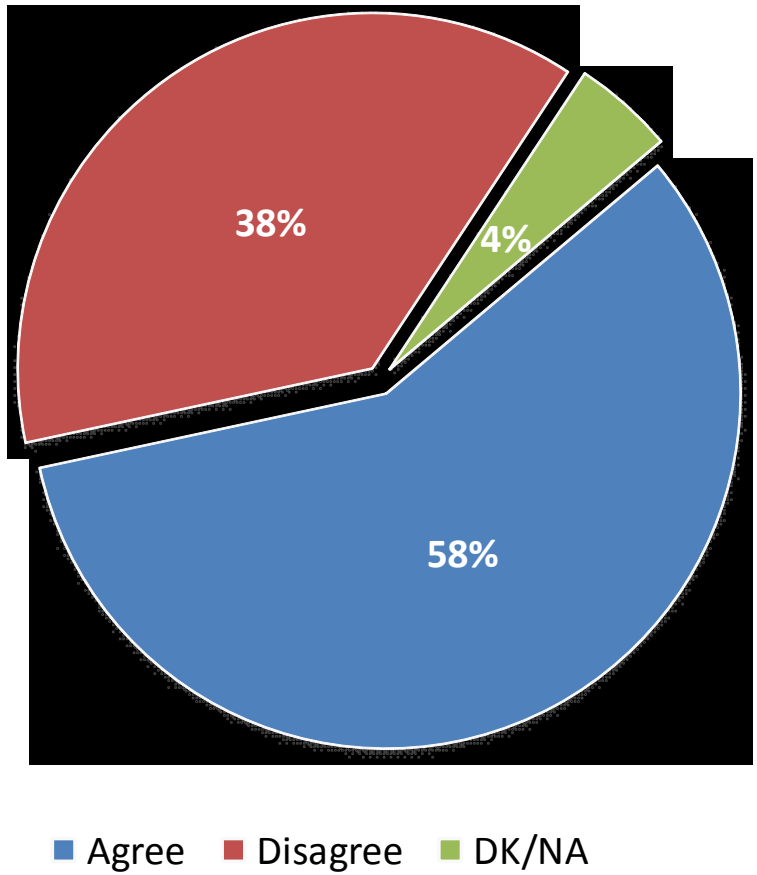

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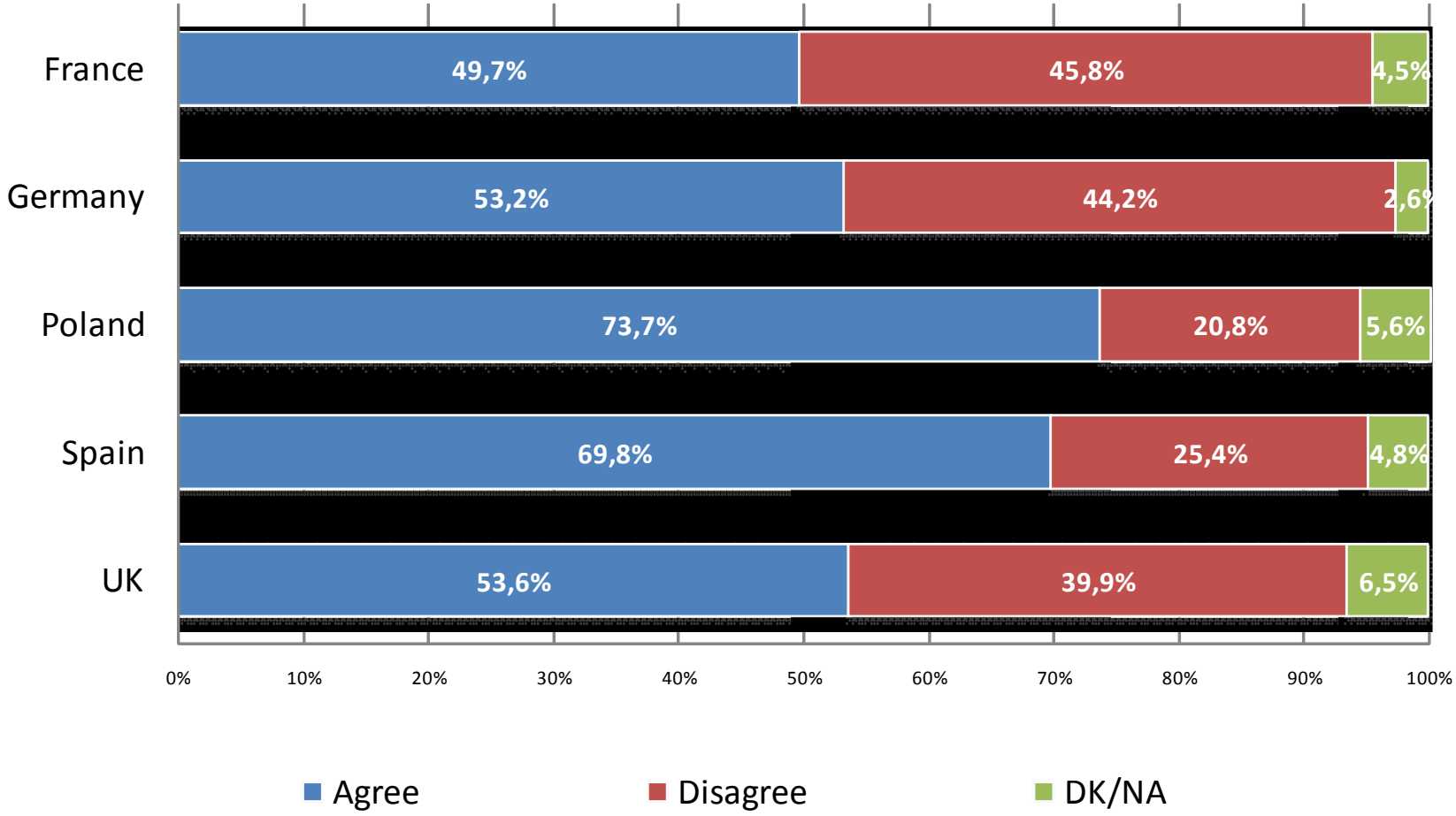

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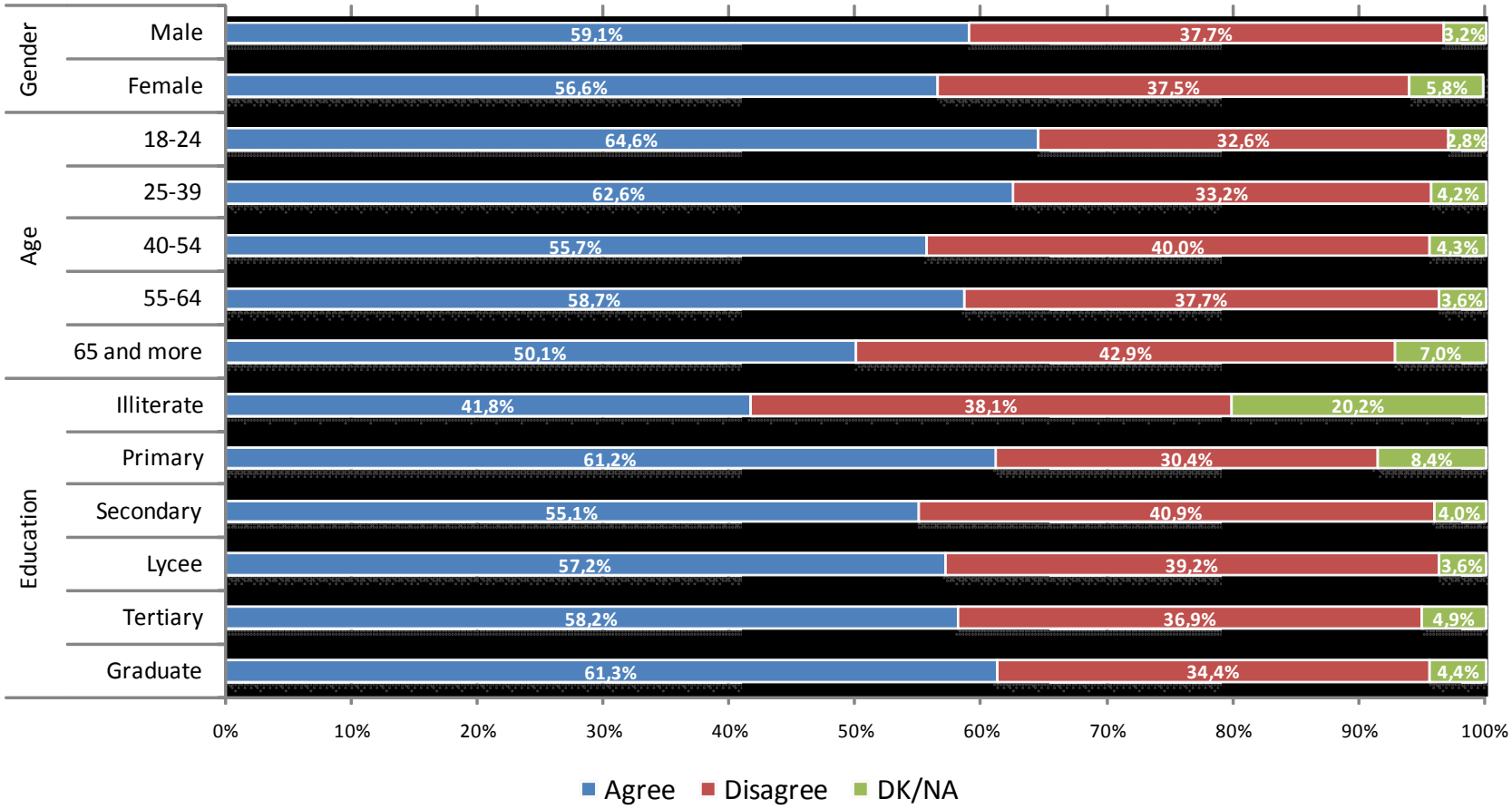

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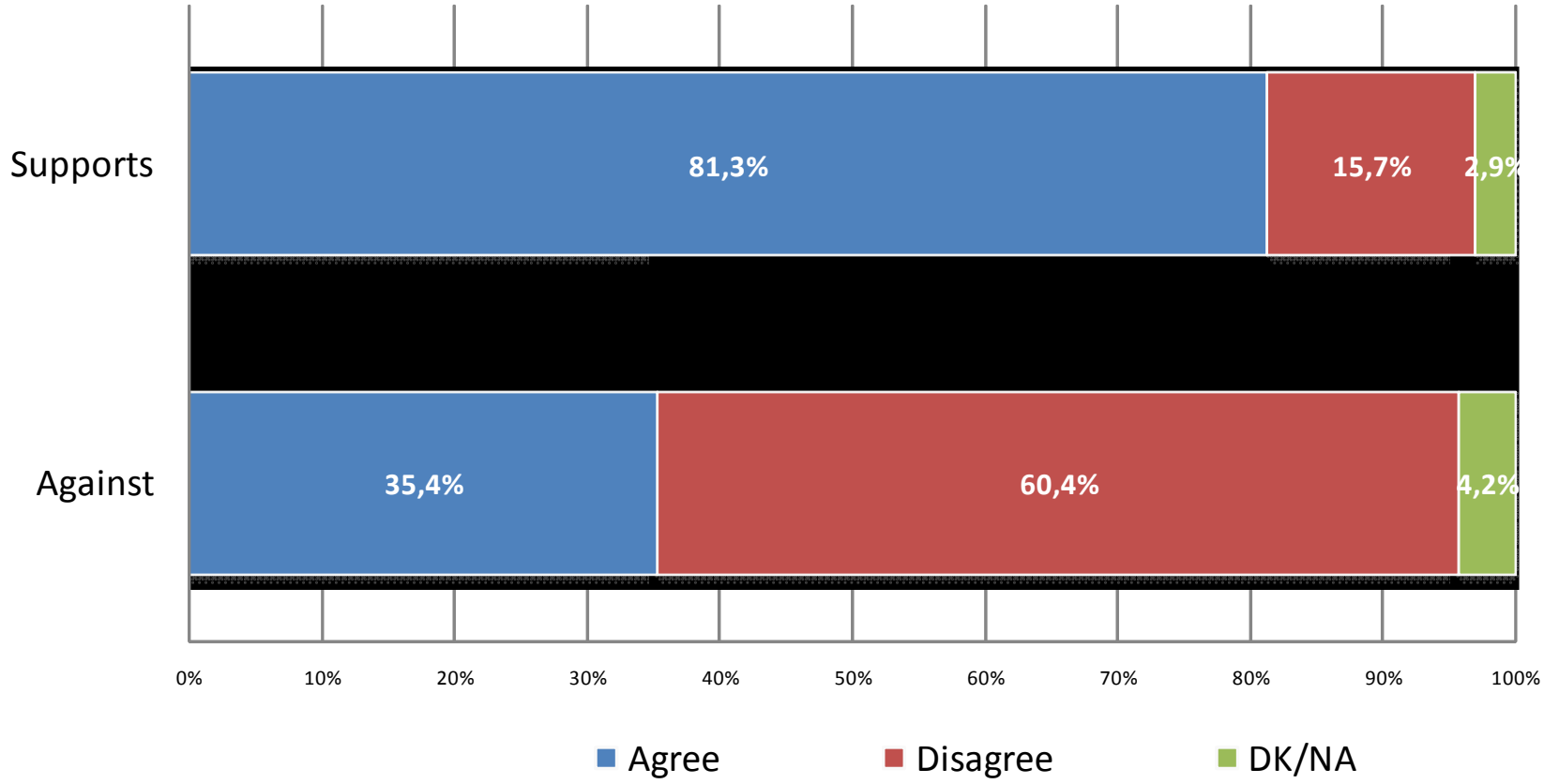

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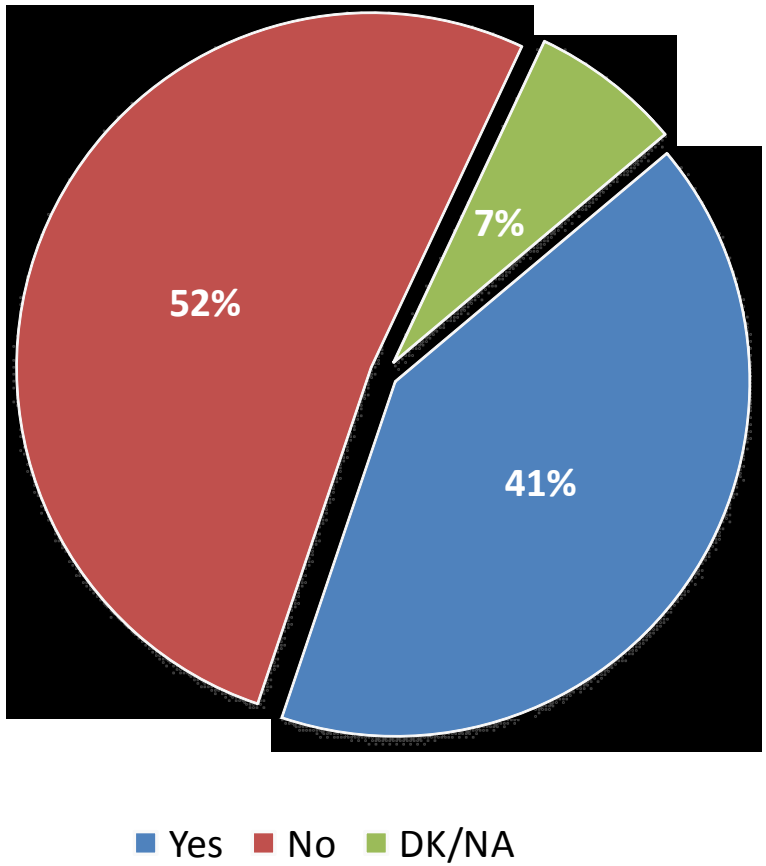

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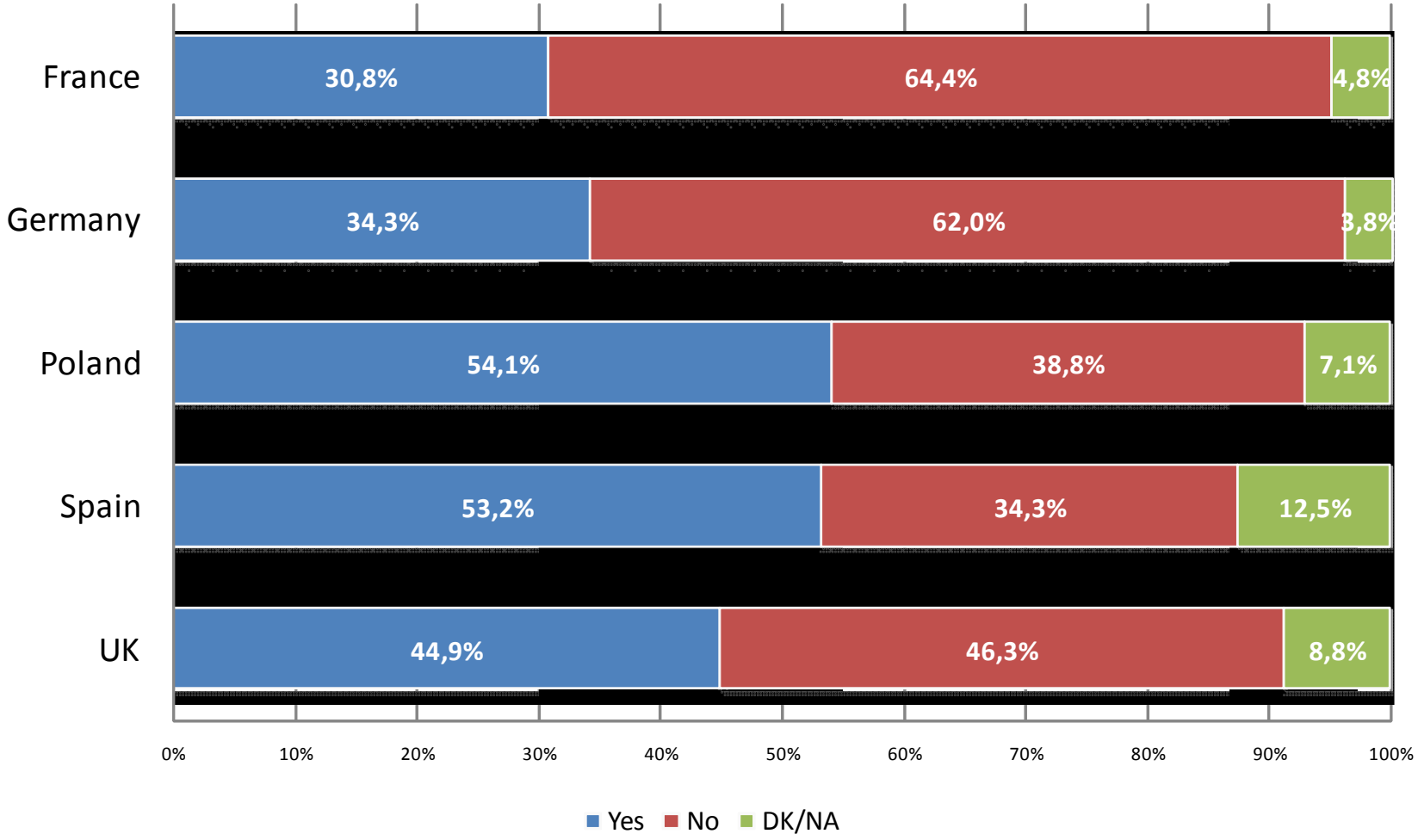
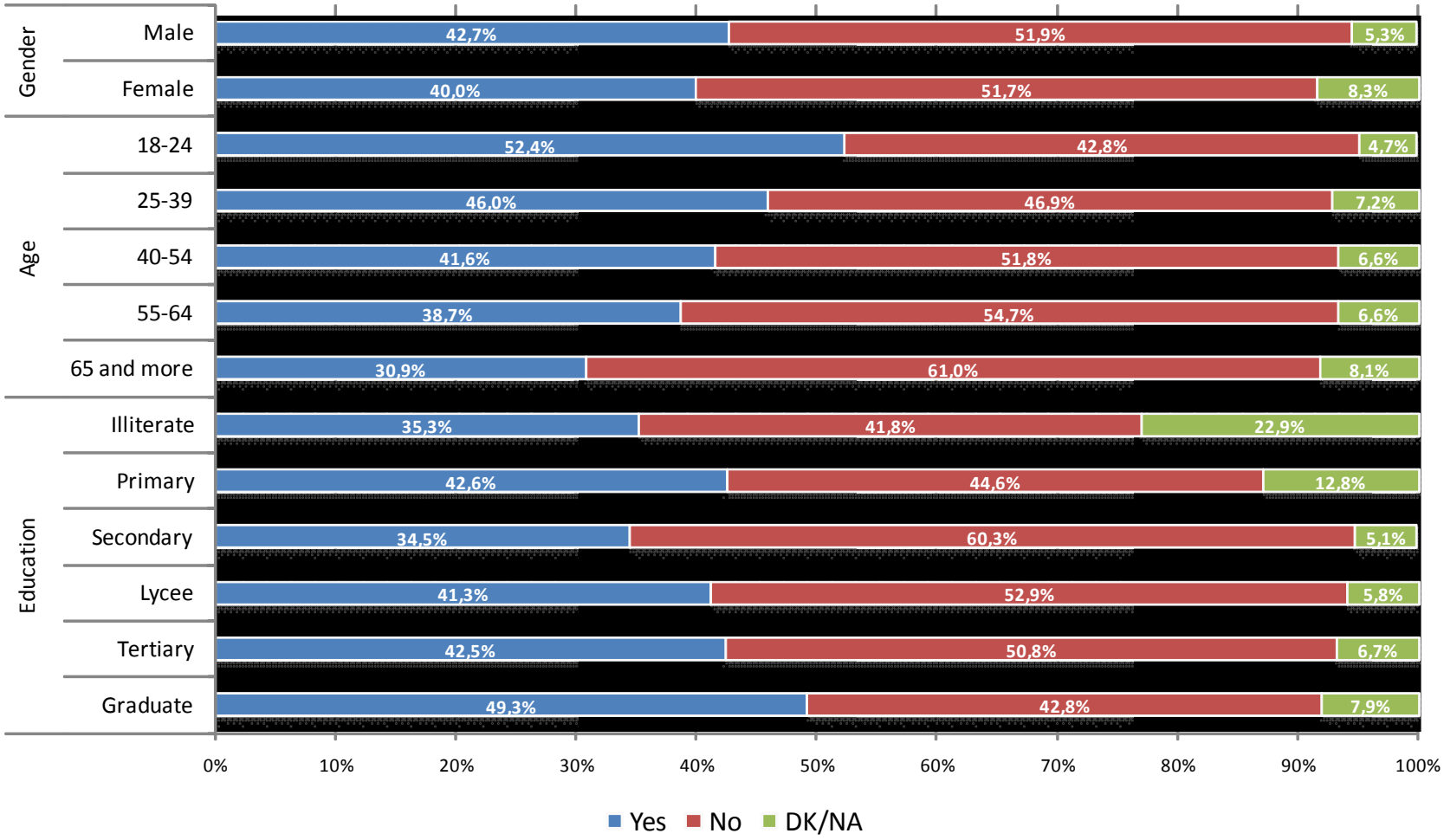
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