



# Elite Migration in Armenia

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# The Aim

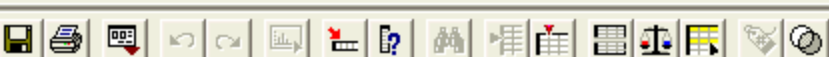
- The aim of the survey is to study migration dynamics in Armenia among the highly educated.

## **The Survey Addresses**

- Where graduates from of Armenia's elite schools are now;
- The educational advancement and the types of jobs highly educated migrants currently hold;
- Personal contacts and networks elite migrants hold with Armenia.

## **Preliminary Findings**

- This presentation represents preliminary findings
- More inferential analysis and statistical tests will be carried out in the future



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# Methodology

School type	School names
Math schools	PhysMath school named after Shahinyan
	School N55 named after A. P. Chekhov
	“Kvant Varzharan”
English Schools	Secondary School N 114
	Secondary School N 172
Russian	School N20 named after John Kirakosyan
Control group (Armenian)	School N19 named after Nichol Aghbalyan

# Sample

School type	Migrant		Non-migrant		Don't know		Total	
	Total Count	Percent	Total Count	Percent	Total Count	Percent	Total Count	Percent
Maths	40	29	77	56	20	15	137	100
English	20	14	81	58	39	28	140	100
Russian	21	32	38	58	6	9	65	100
Armenian	7	12	44	73	9	15	60	100
<b>Total</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>100</b>

School type	Interviews completed				Total interviews completed		Total # of all classes
	Migrant	% of migrants	Non-migrant	% of non-migrants	Count	Percent	
Maths	24	60%	67	87%	91	66%	<b>137</b>
English	6	30%	58	72%	64	46%	140
Russian	7	33%	27	71%	34	52%	65
Armenian	3	42%	40	90%	43	72%	60
Total	40	45%	192	80%	232	58%	402

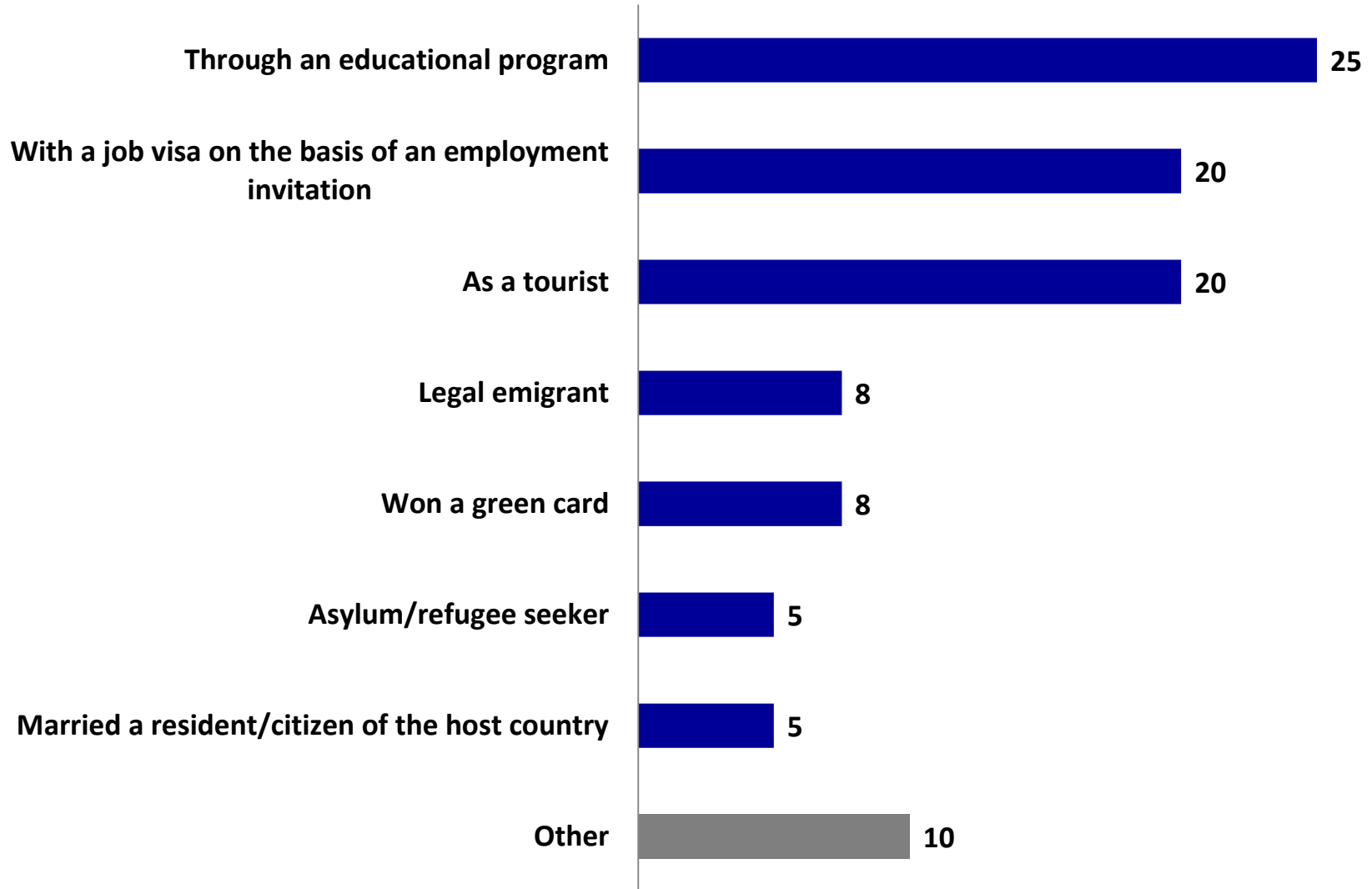
# Where the migrants are

Country	Count	Percent
Australia	1	1
Canada	5	6
Egypt	1	1
England	3	3
France	2	2
Germany	3	3
Iran	1	1
Poland	1	1
Russia	44	50
Uruguay	1	1
USA	26	30
Total	88	100

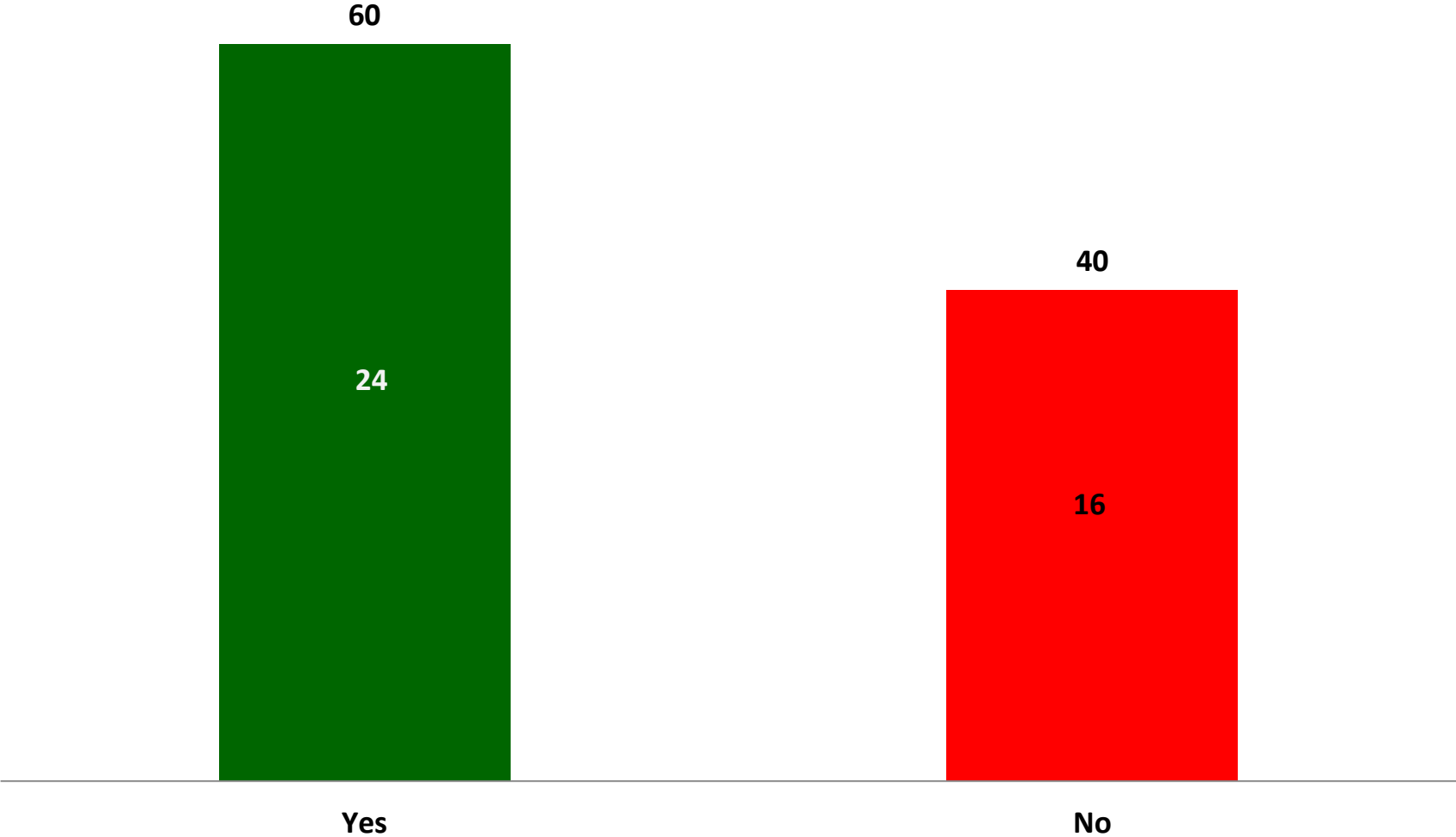
# Attitudes towards migration (Migrants)



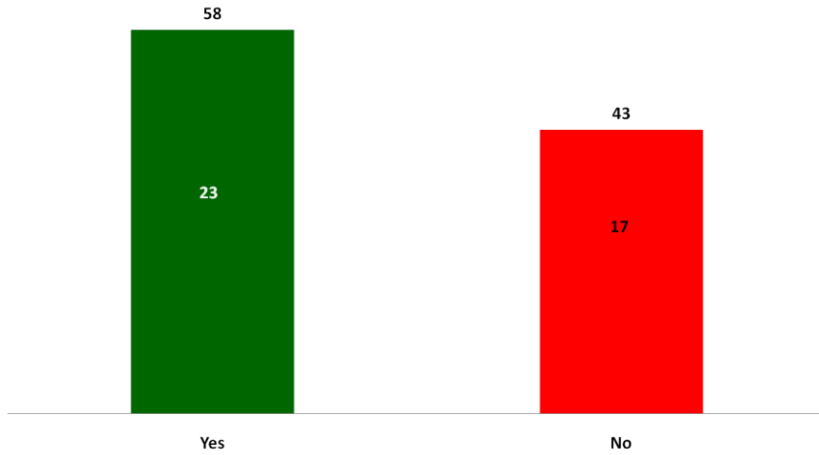
## By which of the following means did you first move from Armenia to the country in which you currently live?



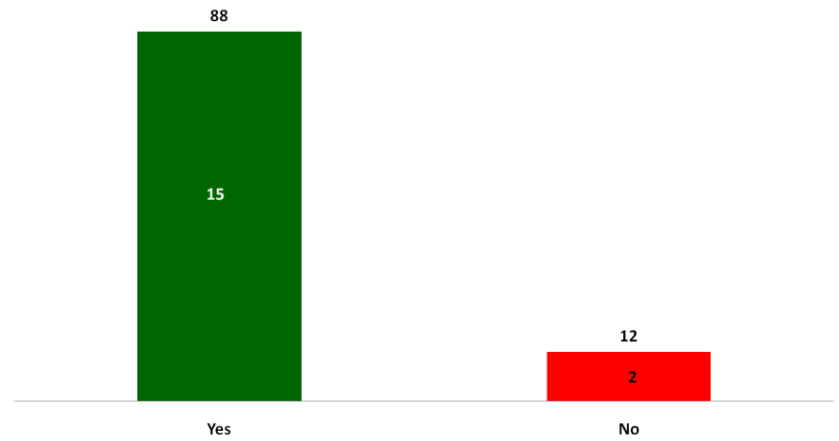
**Had you ever visited the country where you currently reside before you moved there?**



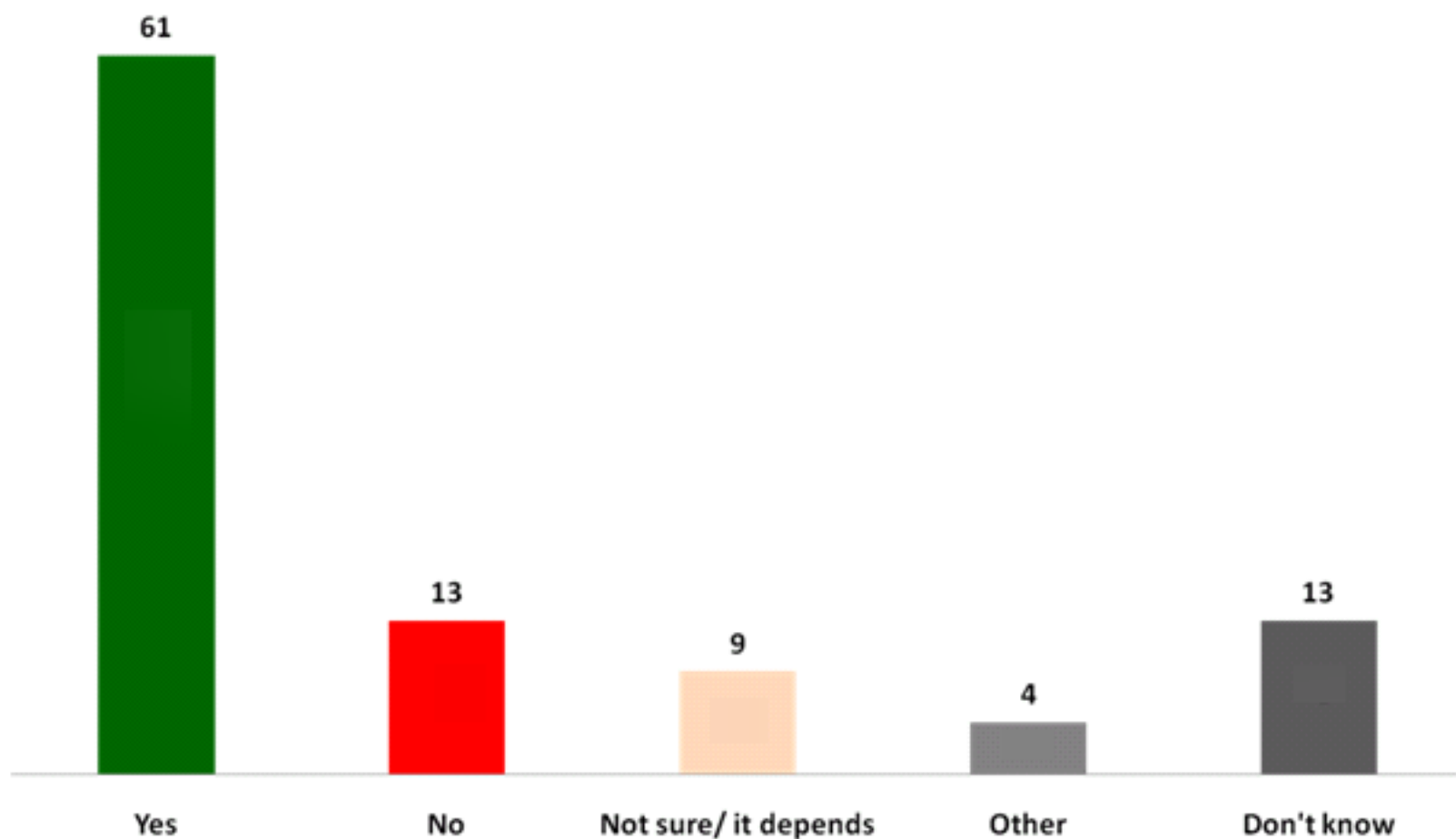
Do you have the citizenship of the country where you currently reside?



Do you have long-term residency card or other legal status in the country where you reside which will possibly allow you to stay indefinitely in the country or become a citizen? (for non-citizens)

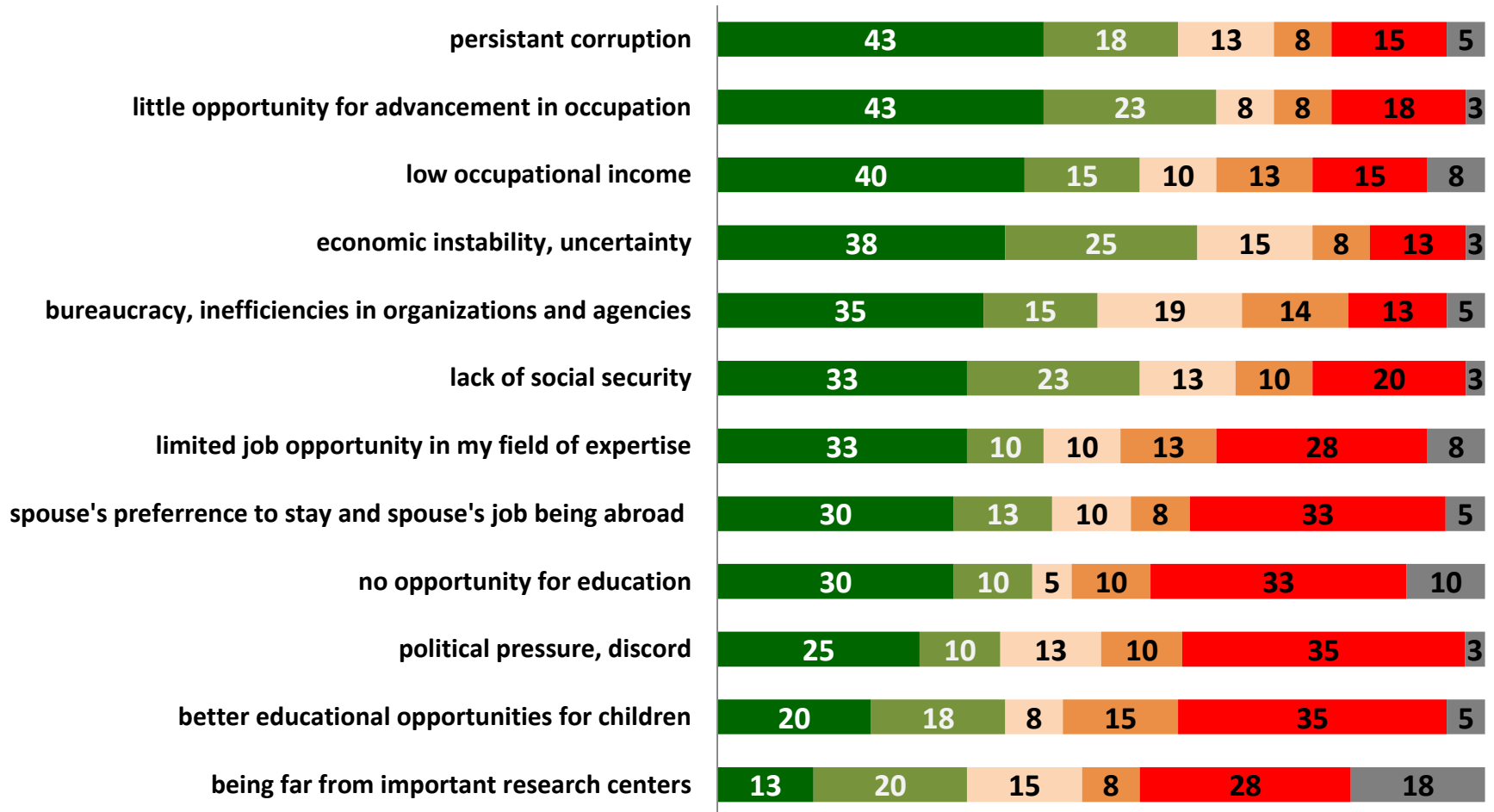


Would you reapply for Armenian citizenship, if Armenia allowed dual citizenship?

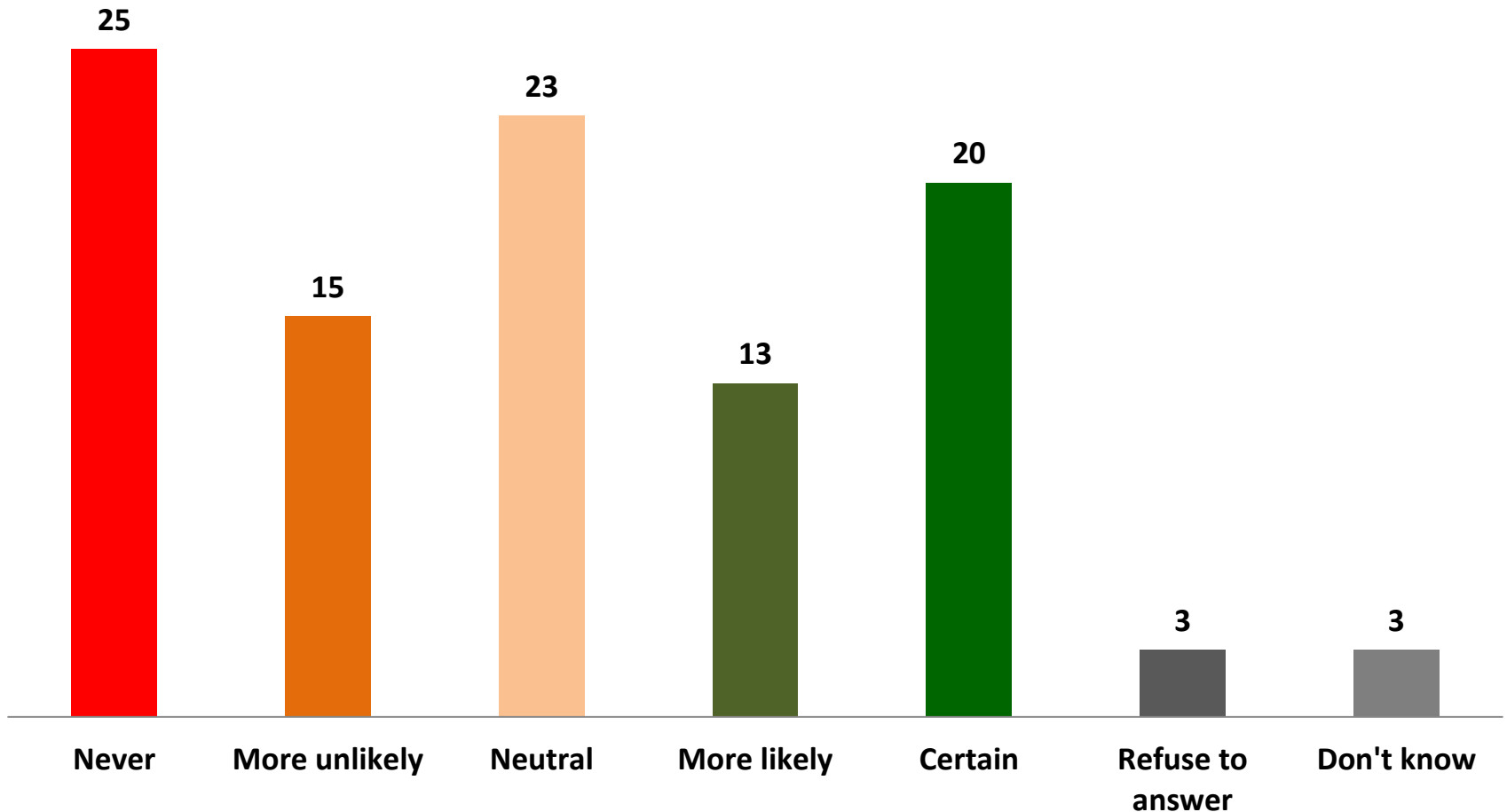


**On the scale from 1-5, where 1 is "not important at all" and 5 is "very important" mention how important are the following in influencing your departure?**

■ Very important  
 ■ 4  
 ■ 3  
 ■ 2  
 ■ Not important at all  
 ■ Don't know

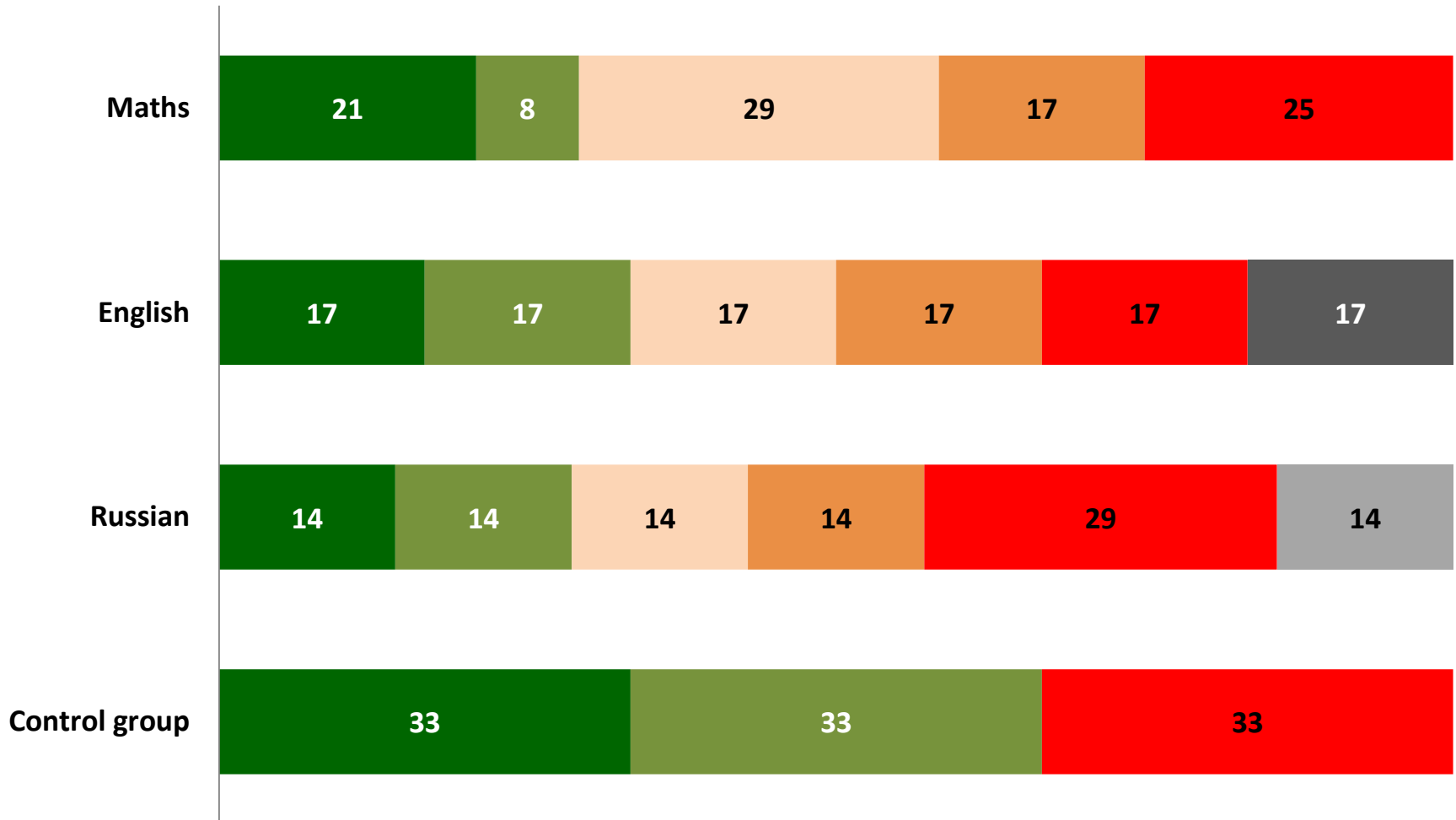


**On the scale from 1 to 5, how likely do you think it is that you will move back to Armenia to work before you retire? One indicates never and 5 indicates firm assurance.**



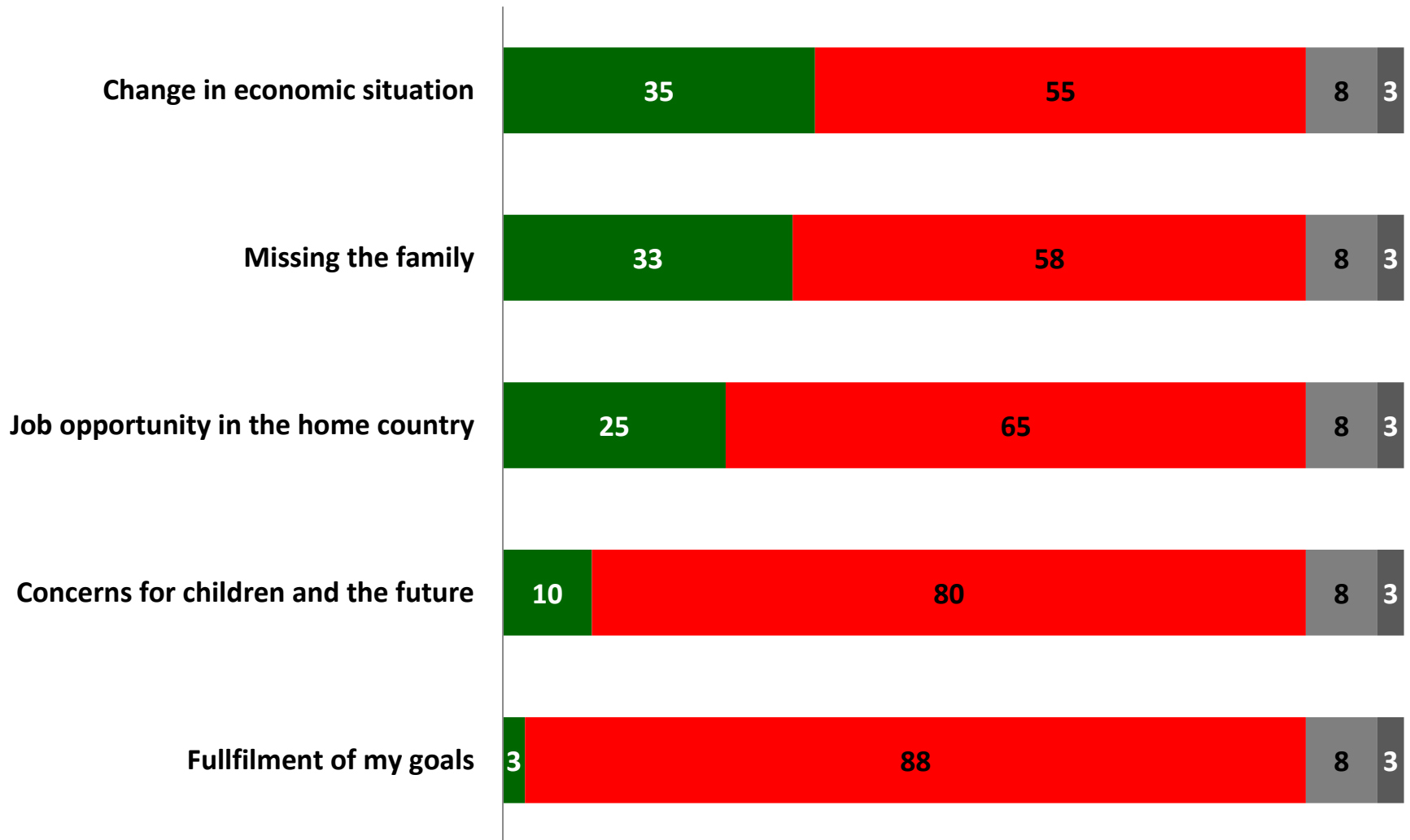
# On the scale from 1 to 5, how likely do you think it is that you will move back to Armenia to work before you retire?

■ Certain ■ More likely ■ Neutral ■ More unlikely ■ Never ■ Don't know ■ Refuse to answer



# What factors would most likely impact your decision to return?

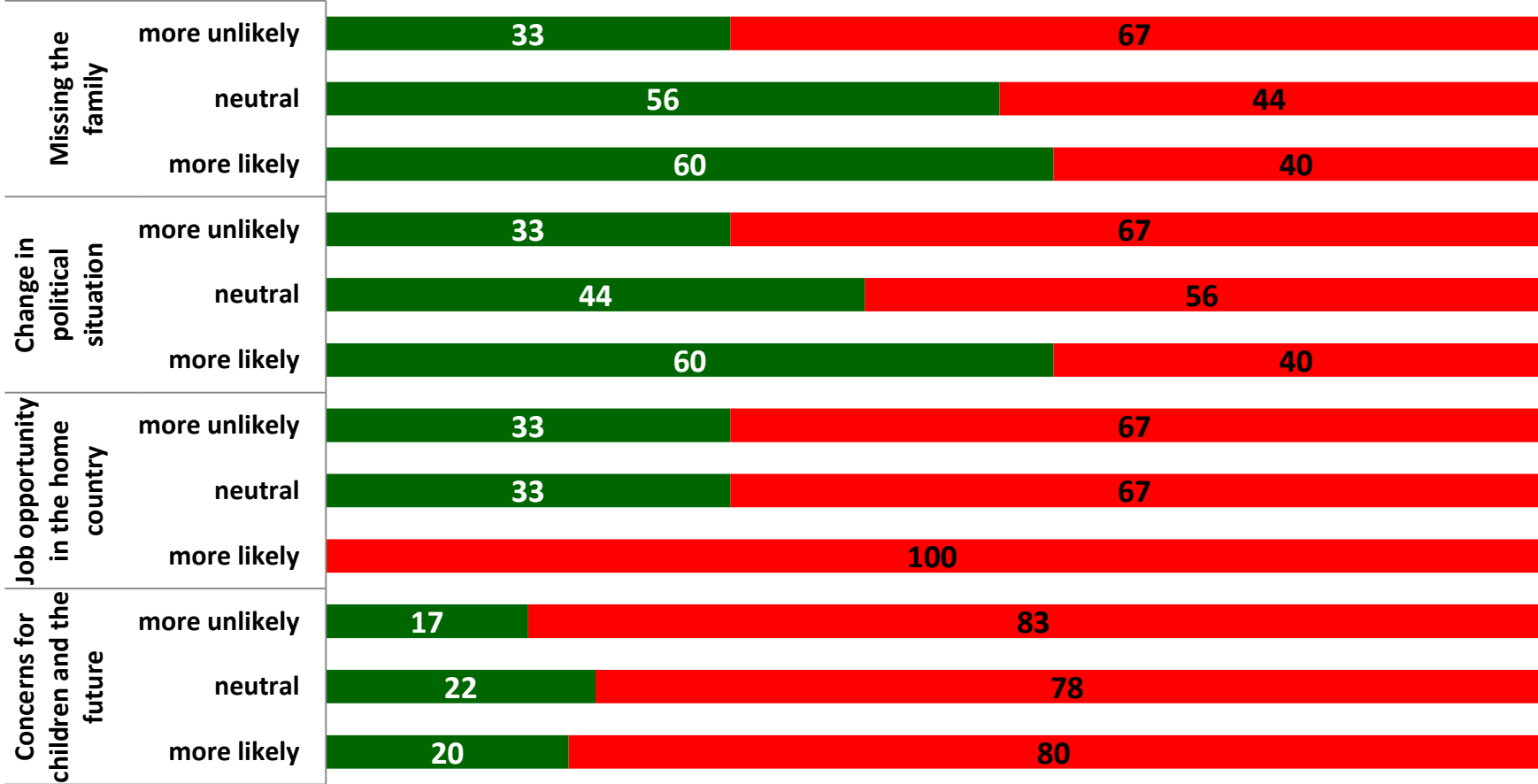
■ Yes ■ No ■ Don't know ■ Refuse to answer





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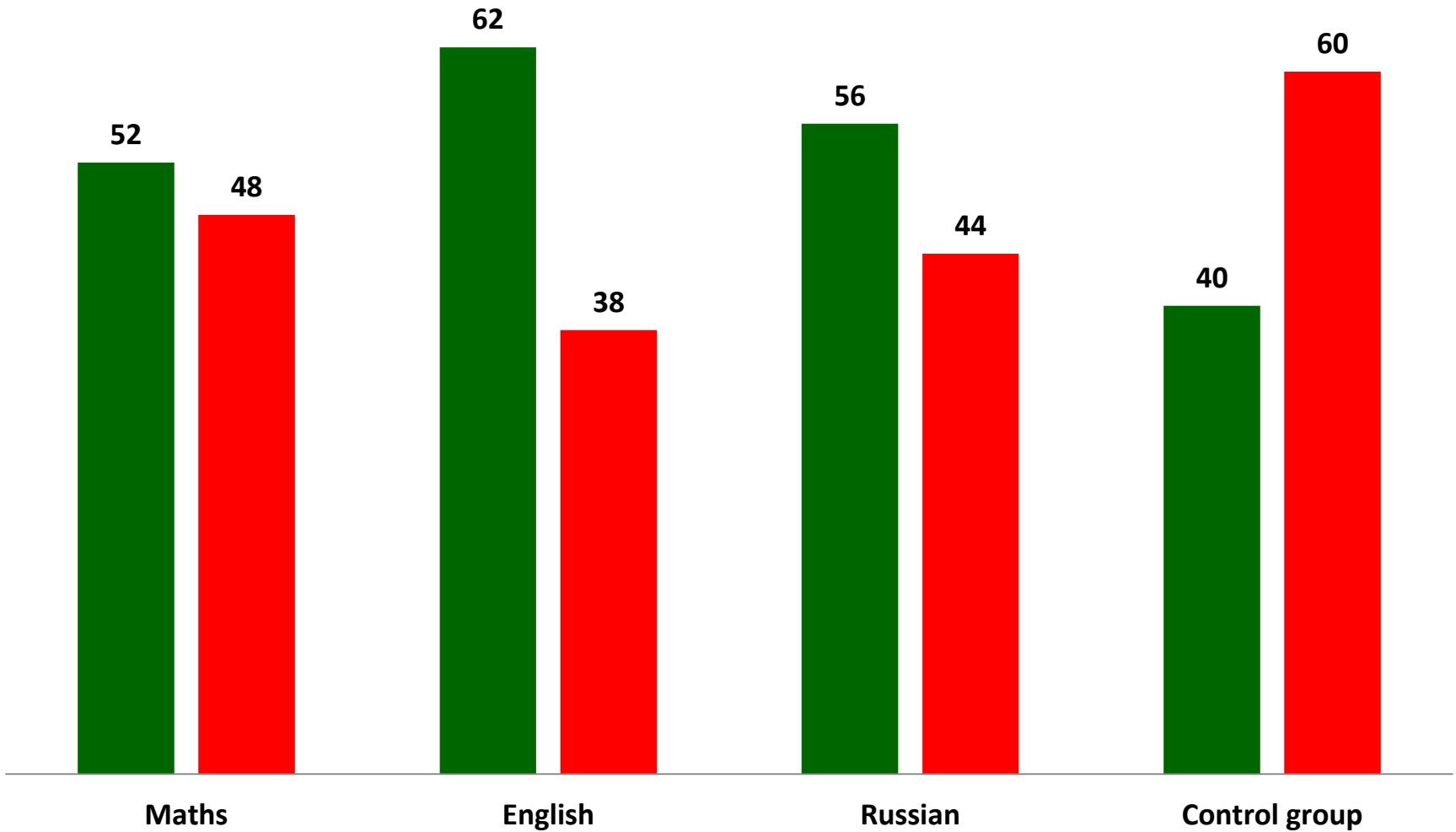
■ Yes ■ No



# Attitude towards migration (non-migrants)

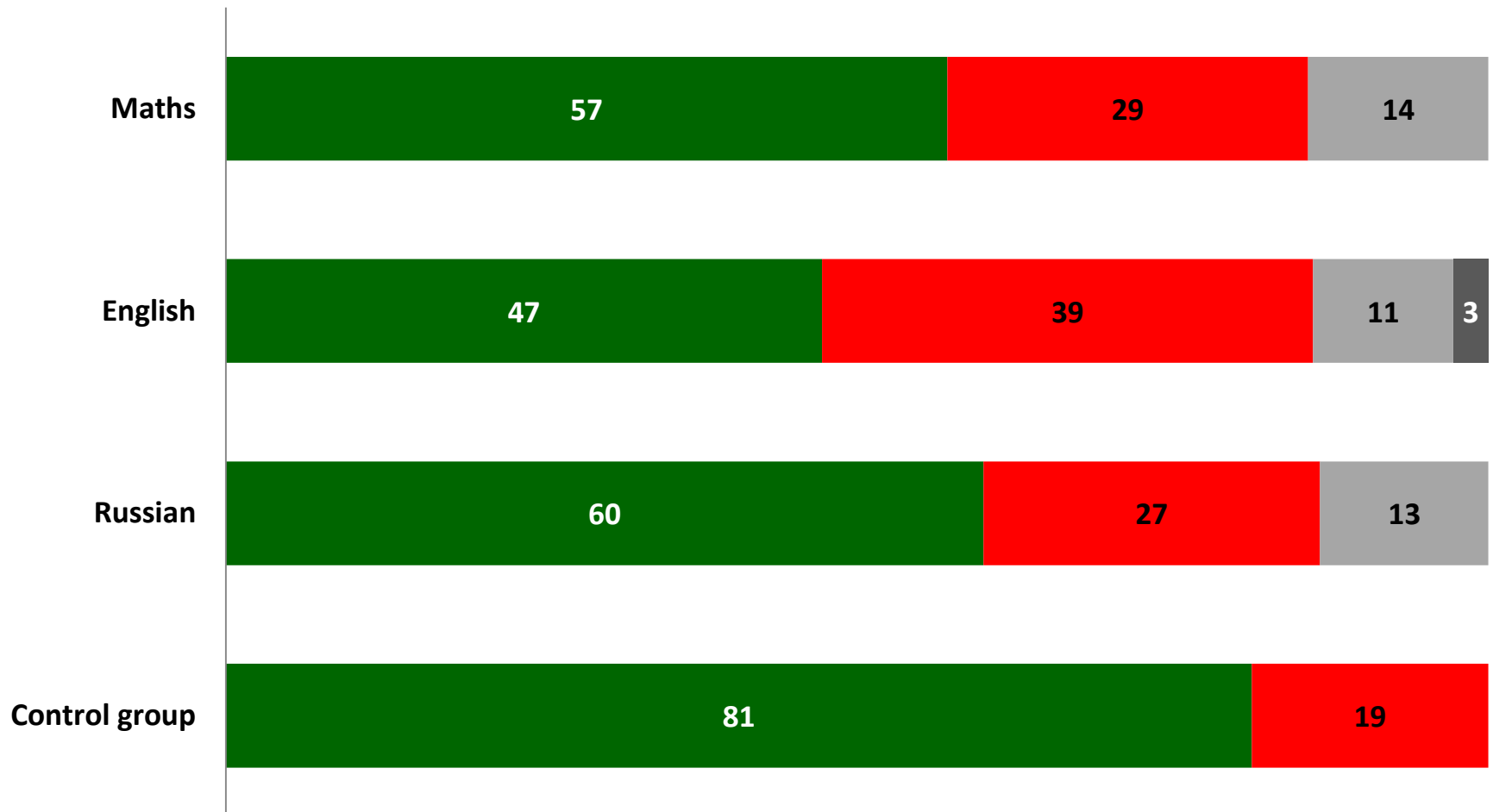
# Have you ever thought about migrating from Armenia?

■ Yes ■ No



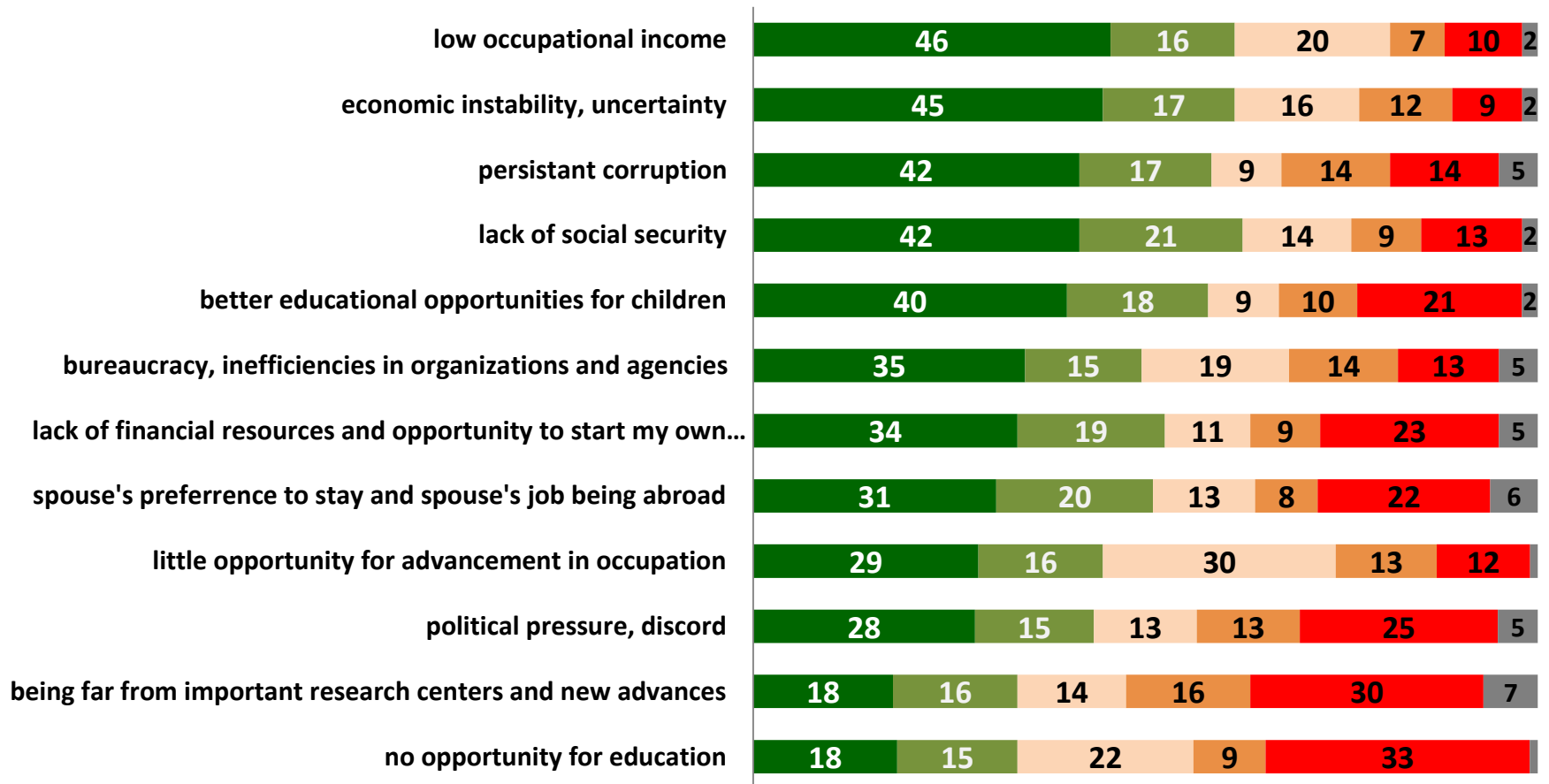
## Would you migrate now, if you had the opportunity? (Of those who have thought about migrating)

■ Yes ■ No ■ Don't know ■ Refuse to answer



**On the scale from 1-5, where 1 is "not important at all" and 5 is "very important" mention how important are the following in influencing your decision to potentially emigrate? (Of those who have thought about migrating)**

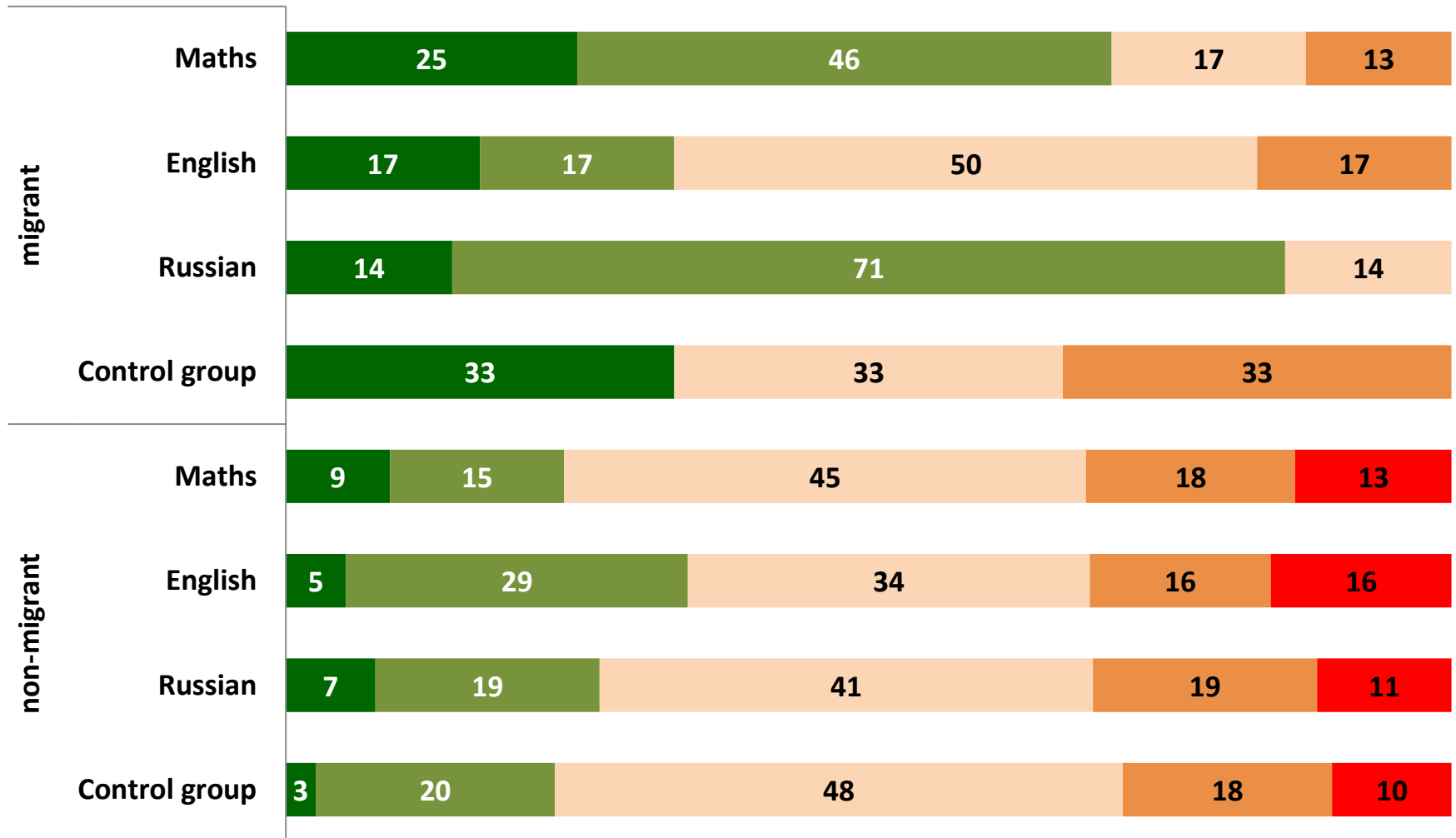
■ Very important ■ 4 ■ 3 ■ 2 ■ Not important at all ■ Don't know



# Attitudes towards Armenia

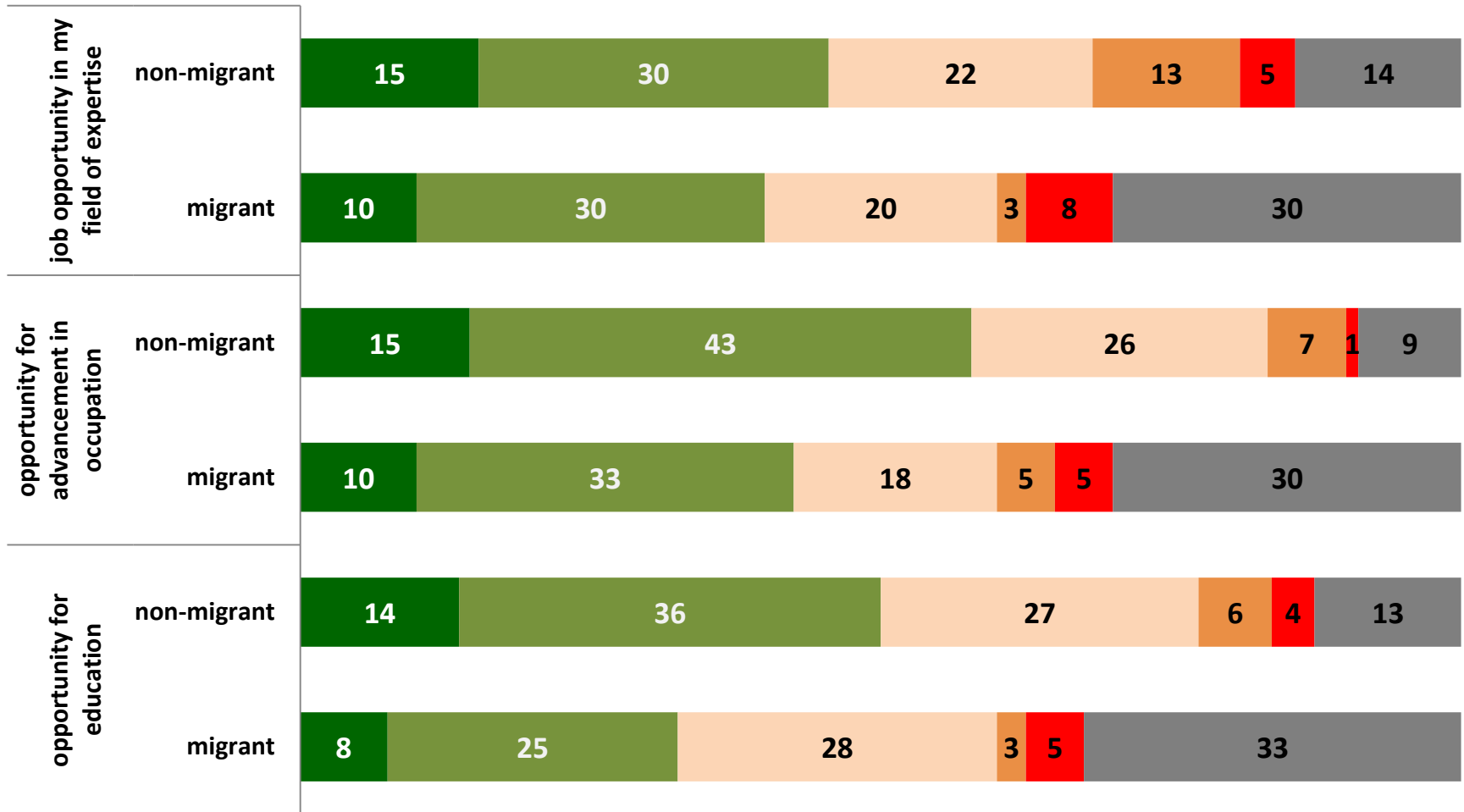
## Overall how satisfied are you with your current situation in Armenia/ with your life in the country you reside in?

■ Very satisfied   
 ■ Somewhat satisfied   
 ■ Neutral   
 ■ Somewhat not satisfied   
 ■ Not satisfied



## Please, indicate what your perception is about the change in the following spheres in Armenia in the last five years.

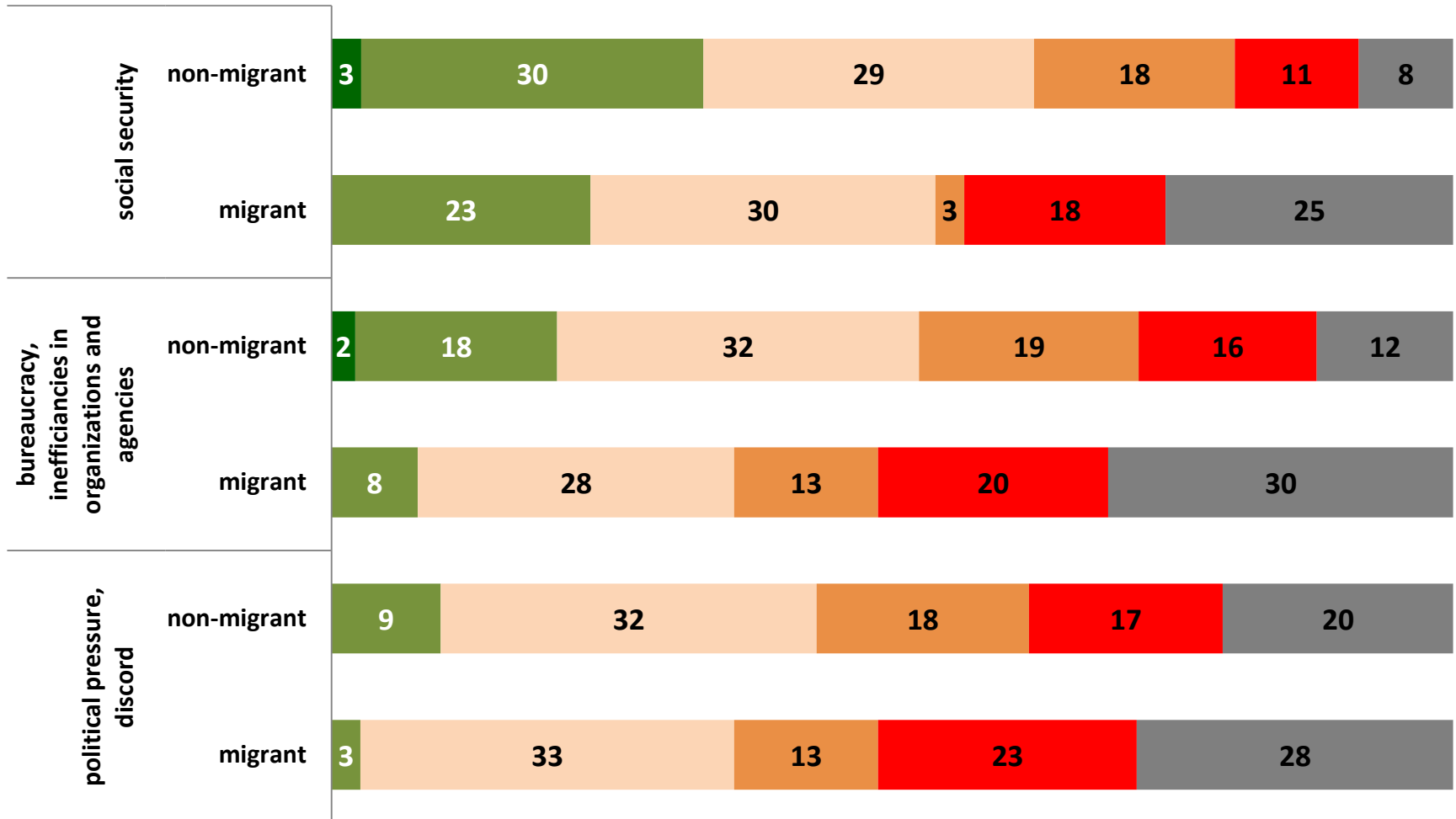
■ A lot for better  
 ■ Slightly for better  
 ■ The same  
 ■ Slightly worse  
 ■ Much worse  
 ■ Don't know





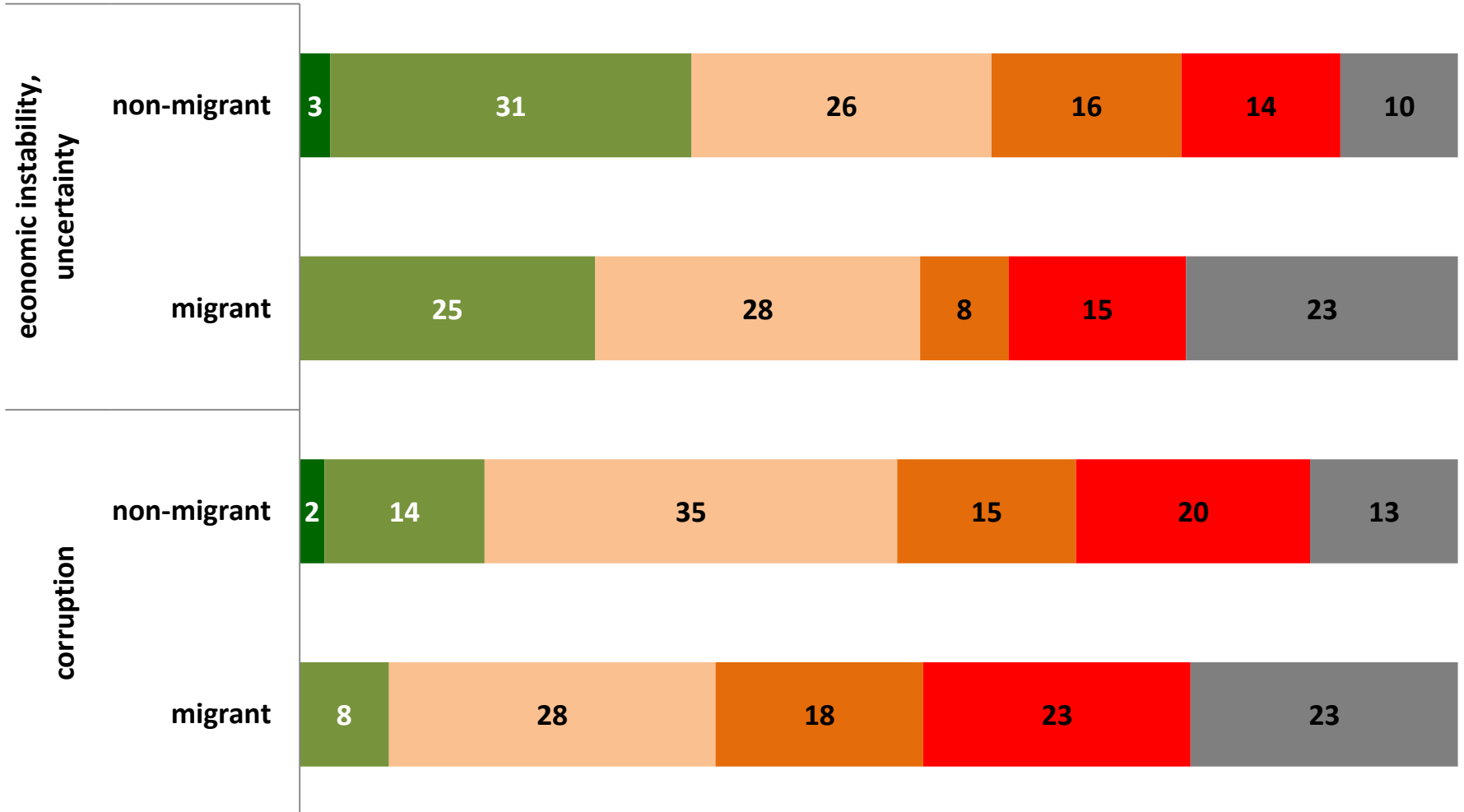
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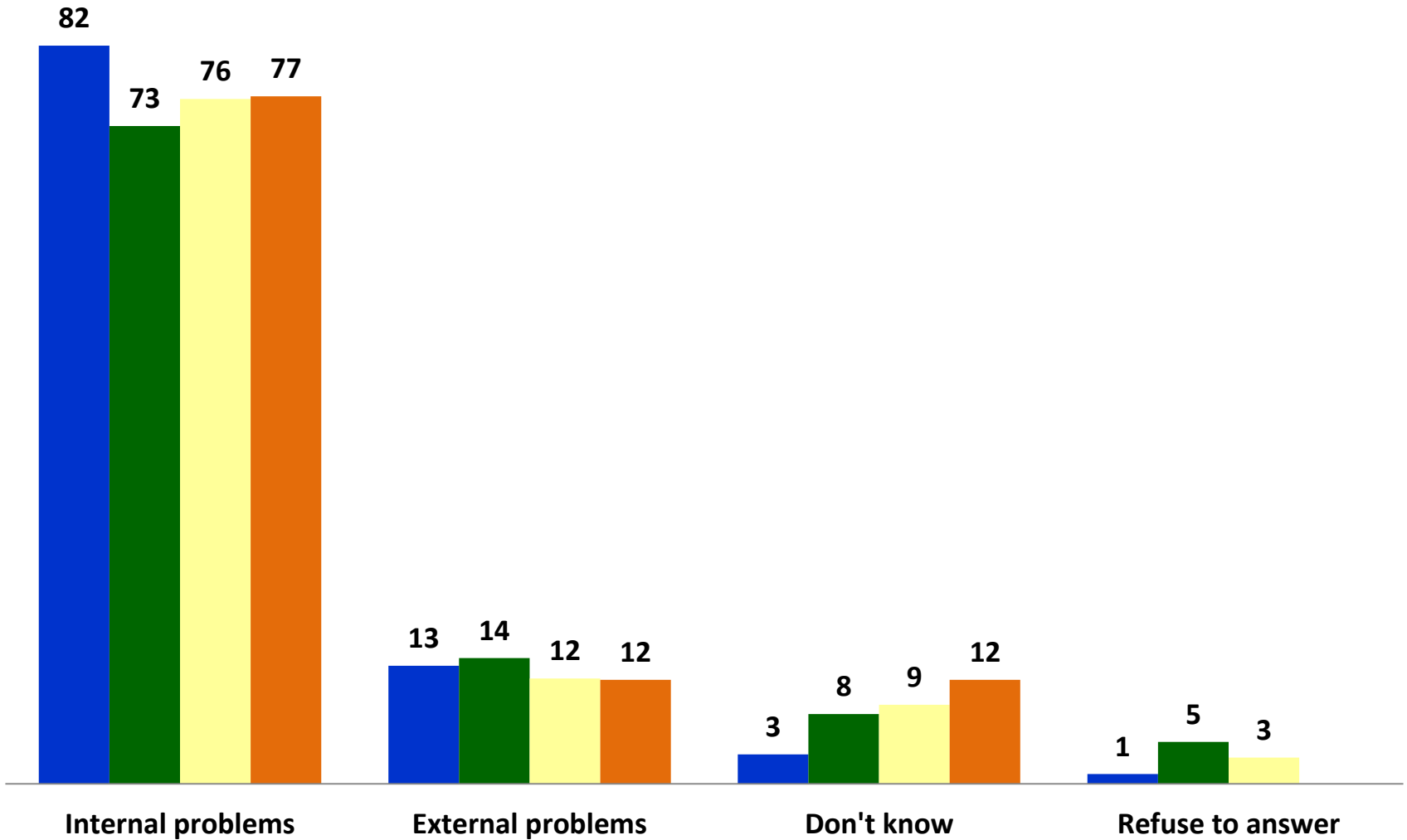
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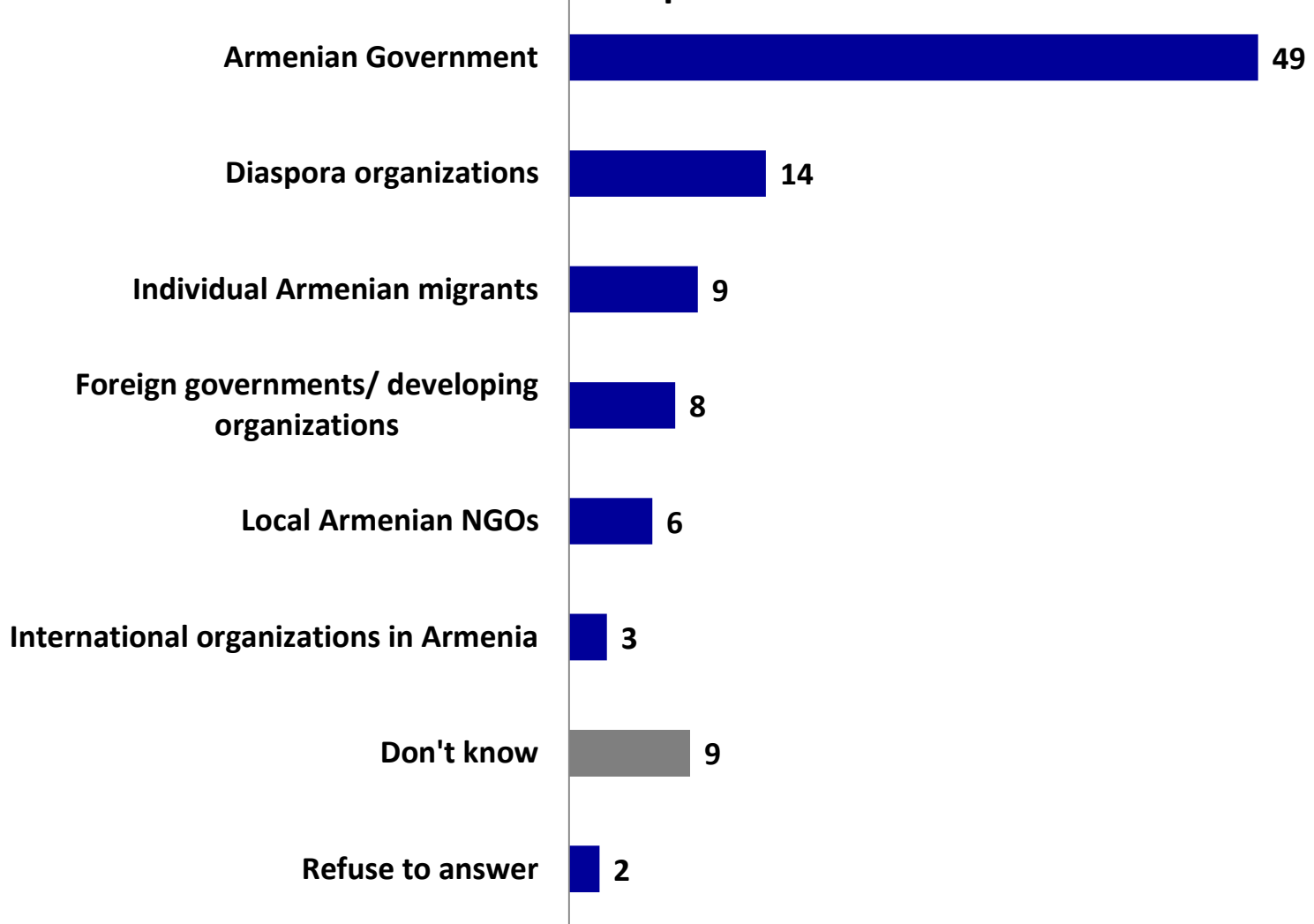


# What do you think is a bigger barrier to Armenia's development?

■ Maths ■ English ■ Russian ■ Control group



# Which of the following institutions could be more effective at organizing Armenian migrants' participation in Armenia's development?



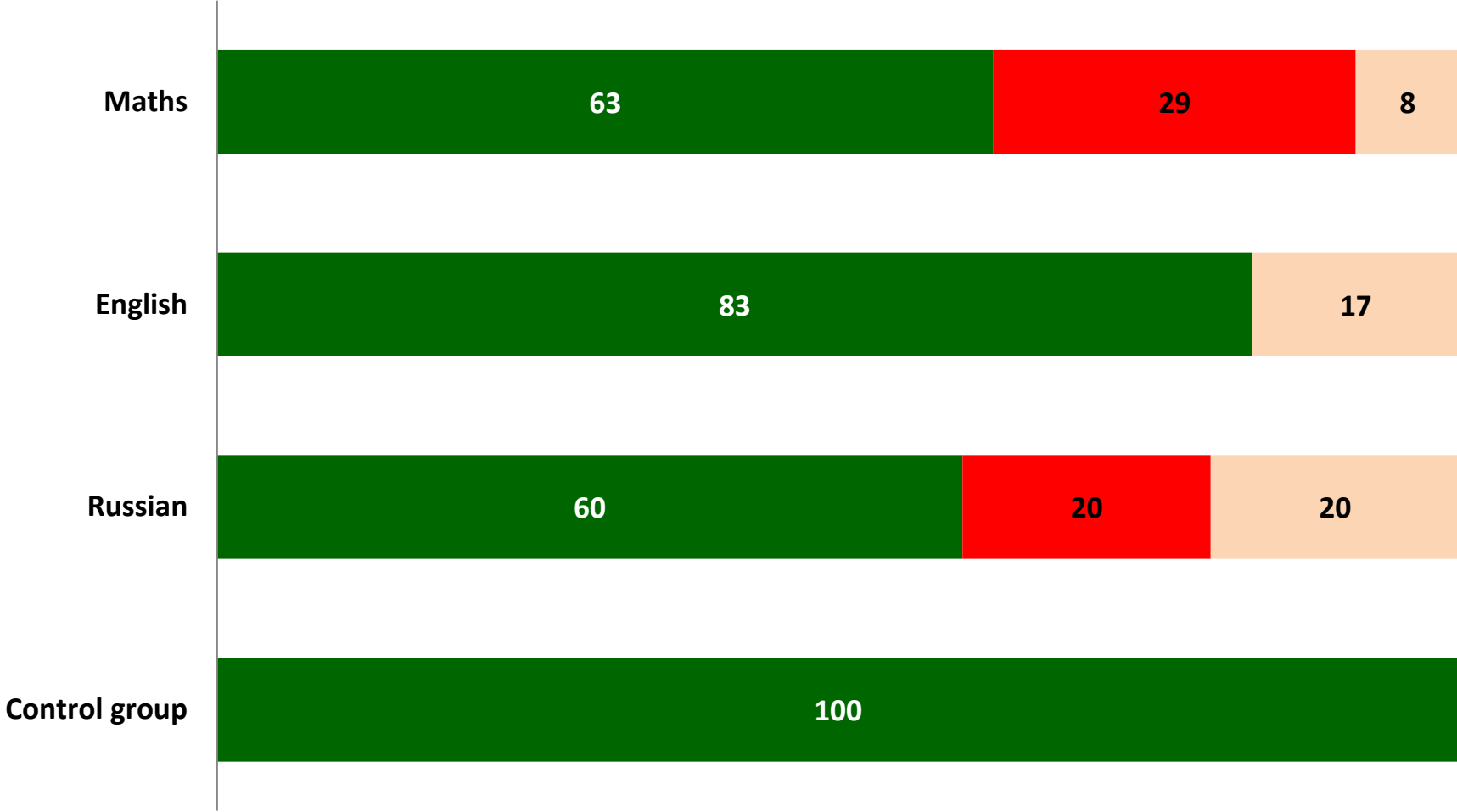
## Would you be willing to provide professional advice or consultancy for free from your current location to Armenia? (Migrants only)

■ Yes ■ No ■ Not applicable ■ Don't know



# Would you be willing to volunteer your professional expertise in Armenia for at least 2 weeks a year? (Migrants only)

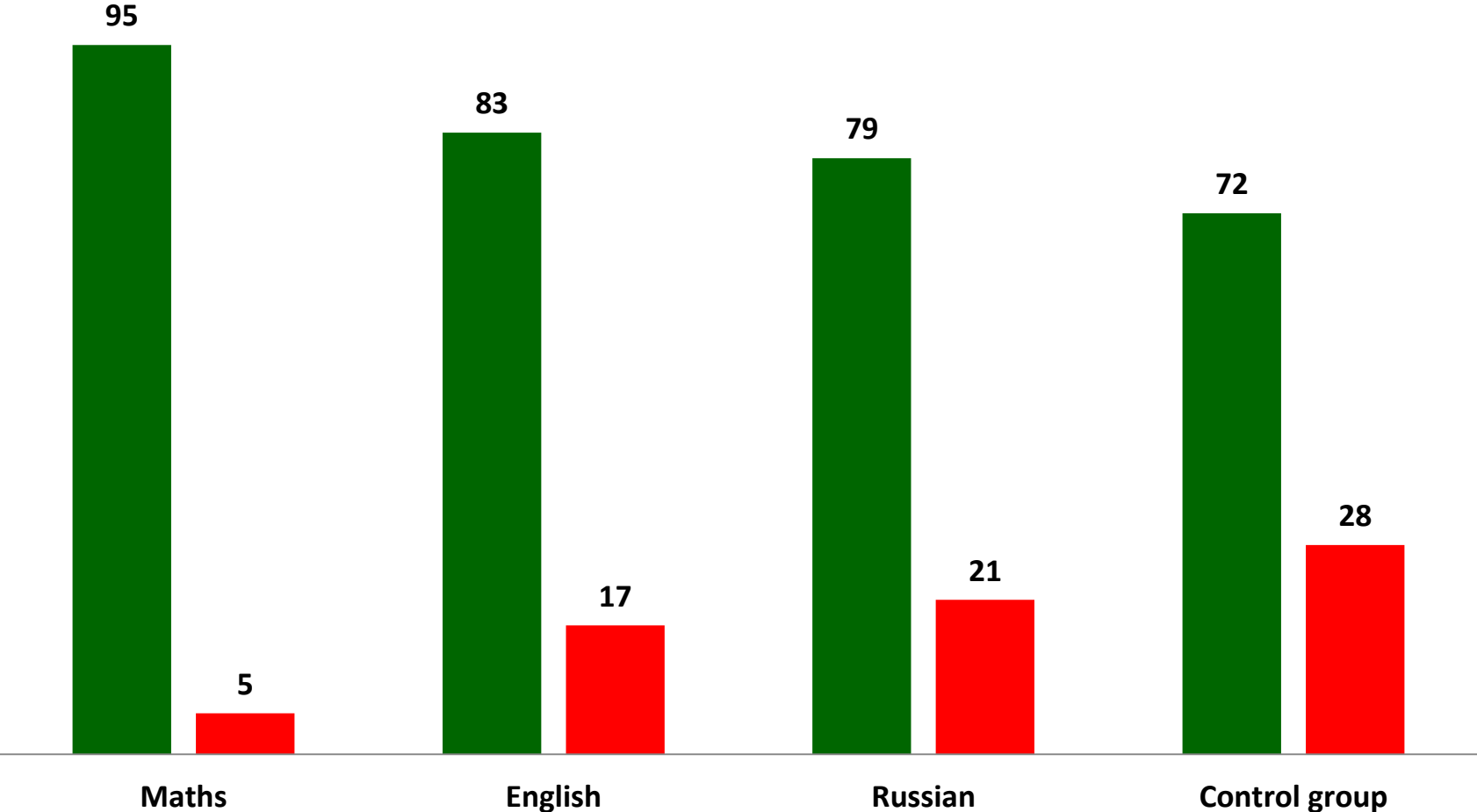
■ Yes ■ No ■ Not applicable



Employment

**Do you consider yourself to be employed? This employment may be part-time or full-time, you may be officially employed, informally employed, or self-employed, but it brings you monetary income.**

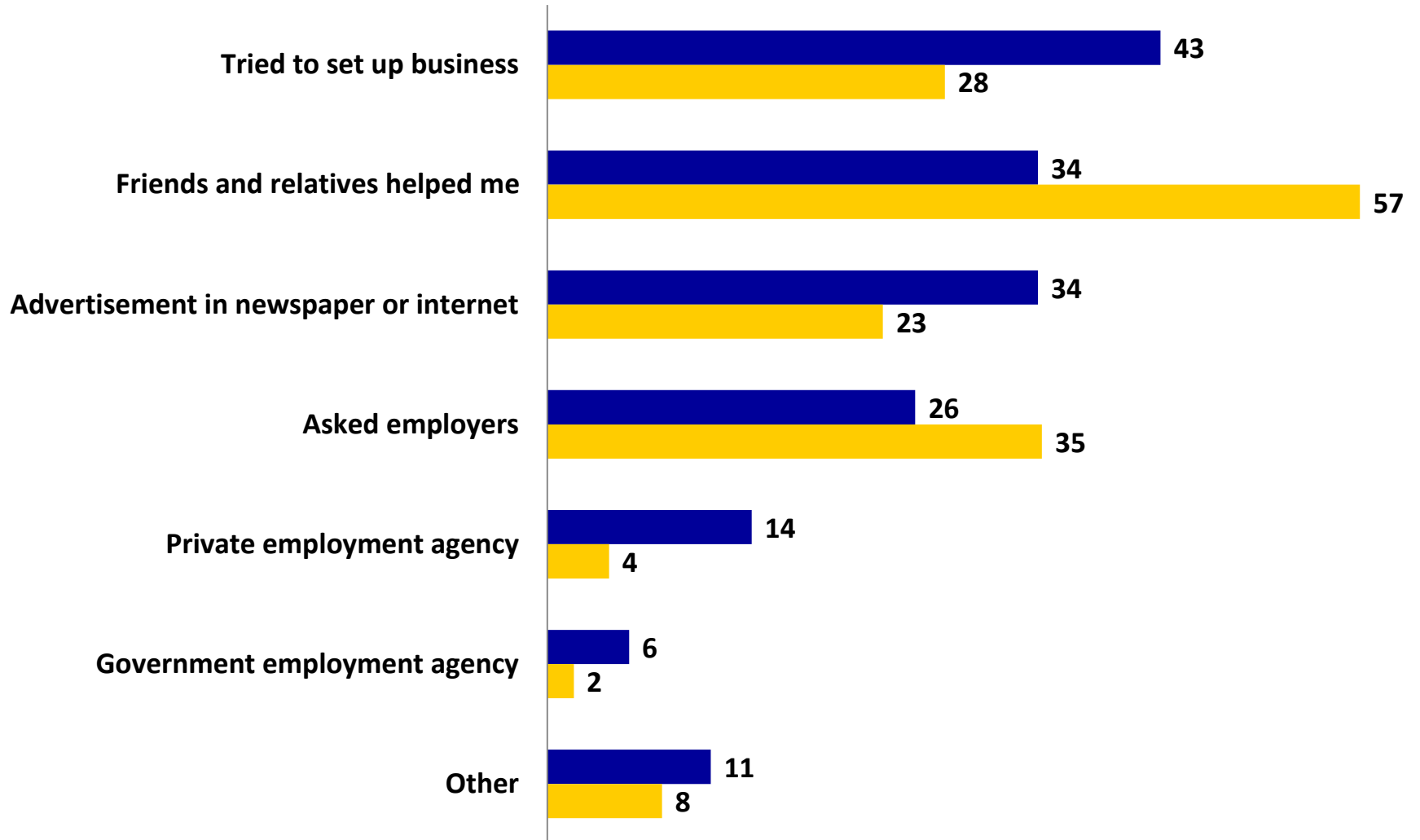
■ Yes ■ No





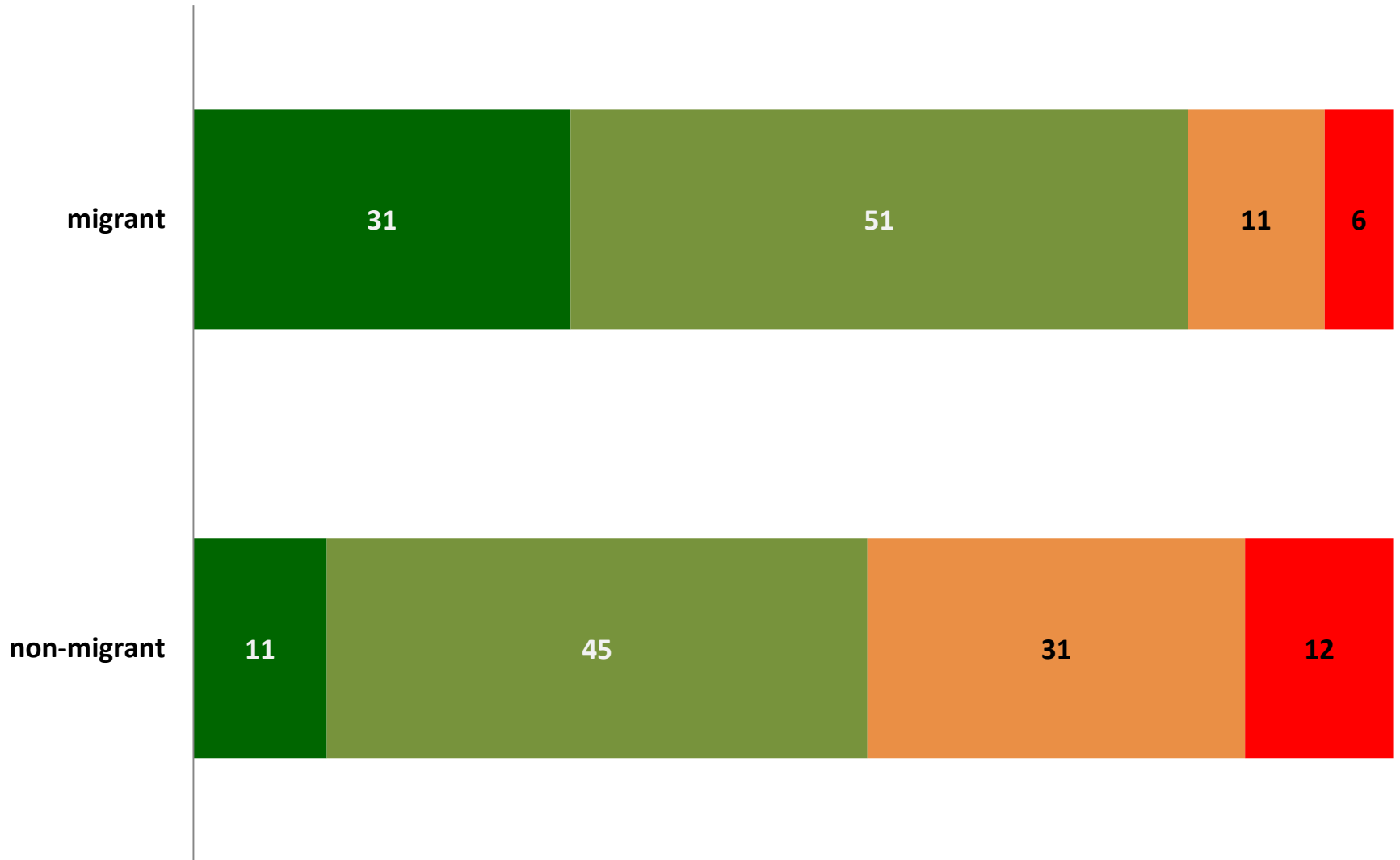
# What methods of finding work have you ever used?

■ Migrant ■ Non-migrant



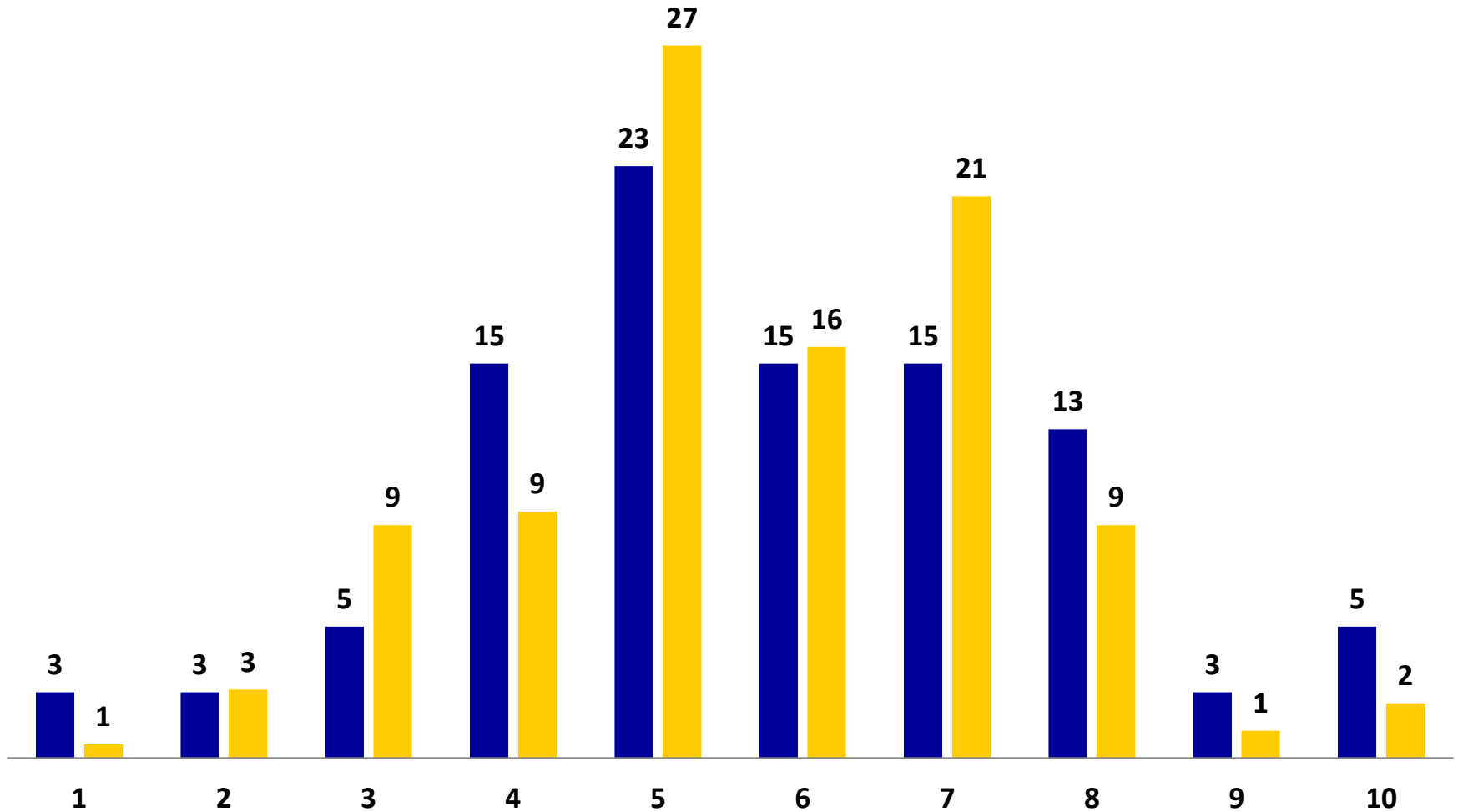
# Do you earn enough from this main job to buy all you really need?

■ Definitely enough   ■ Just enough   ■ Not enough   ■ Definitely not enough



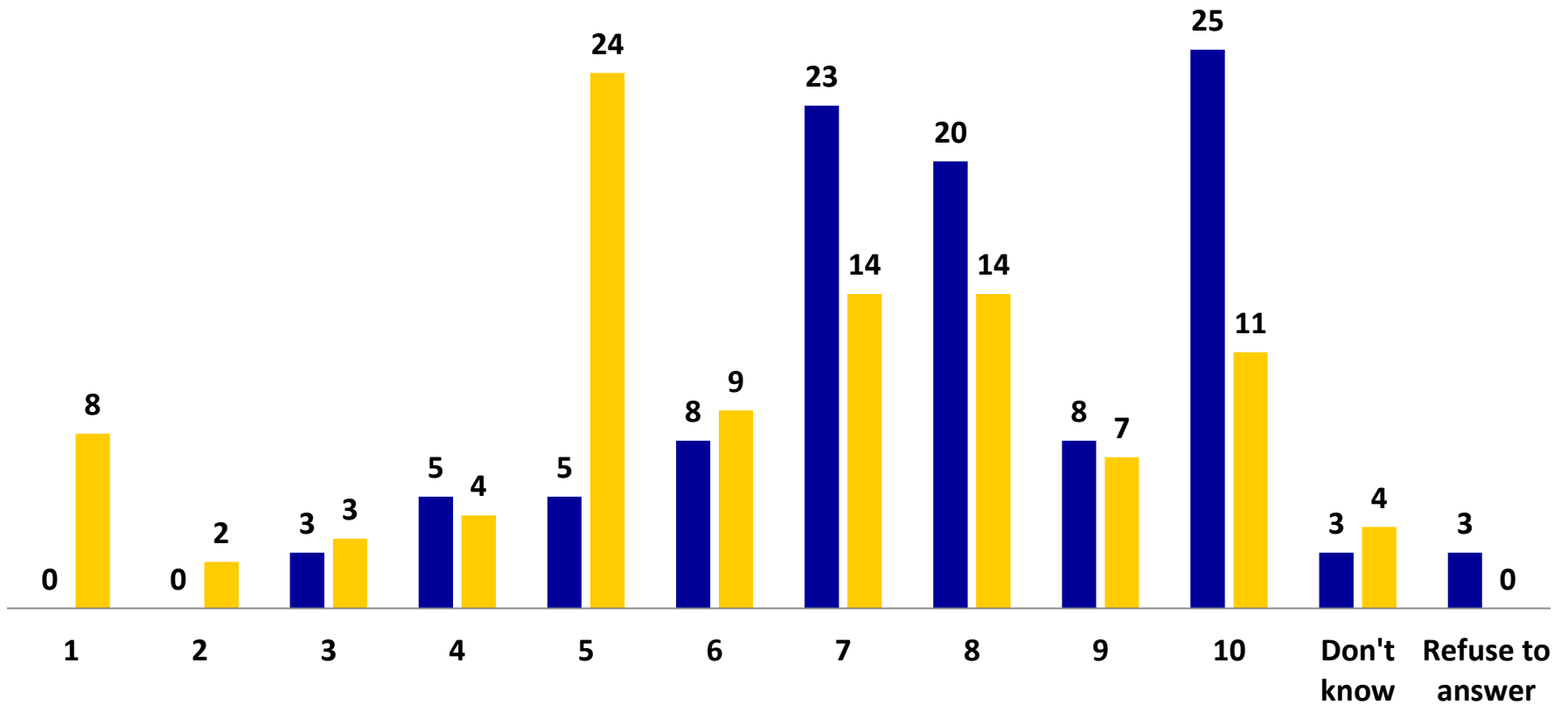
# Which rung of this ladder do you think your household stands on currently? (1-lowest, 10 - highest)

■ migrant ■ non-migrant

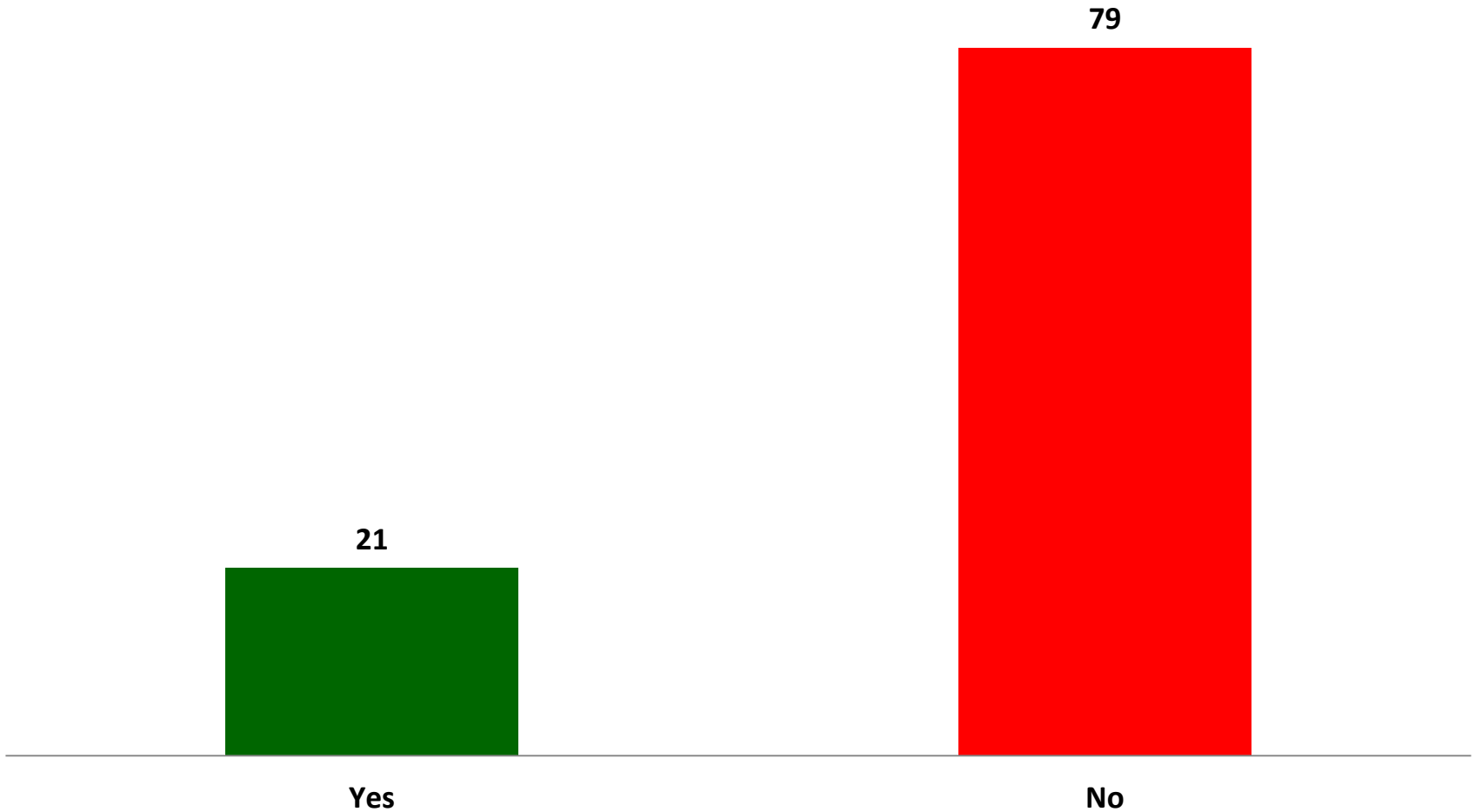


Use the scale of 1-10 to describe how much control you have over your economic situation.

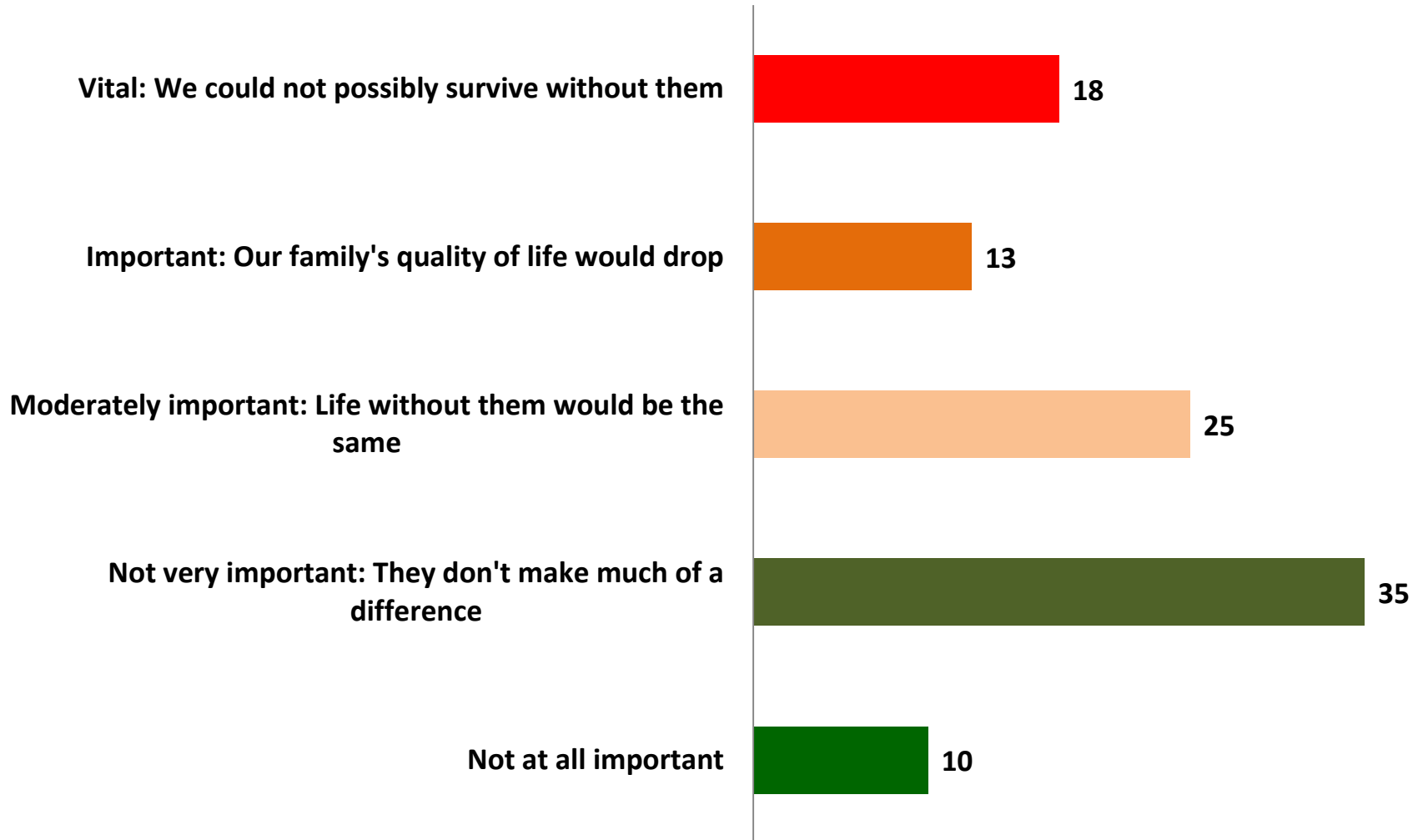
■ migrant ■ non-migrant



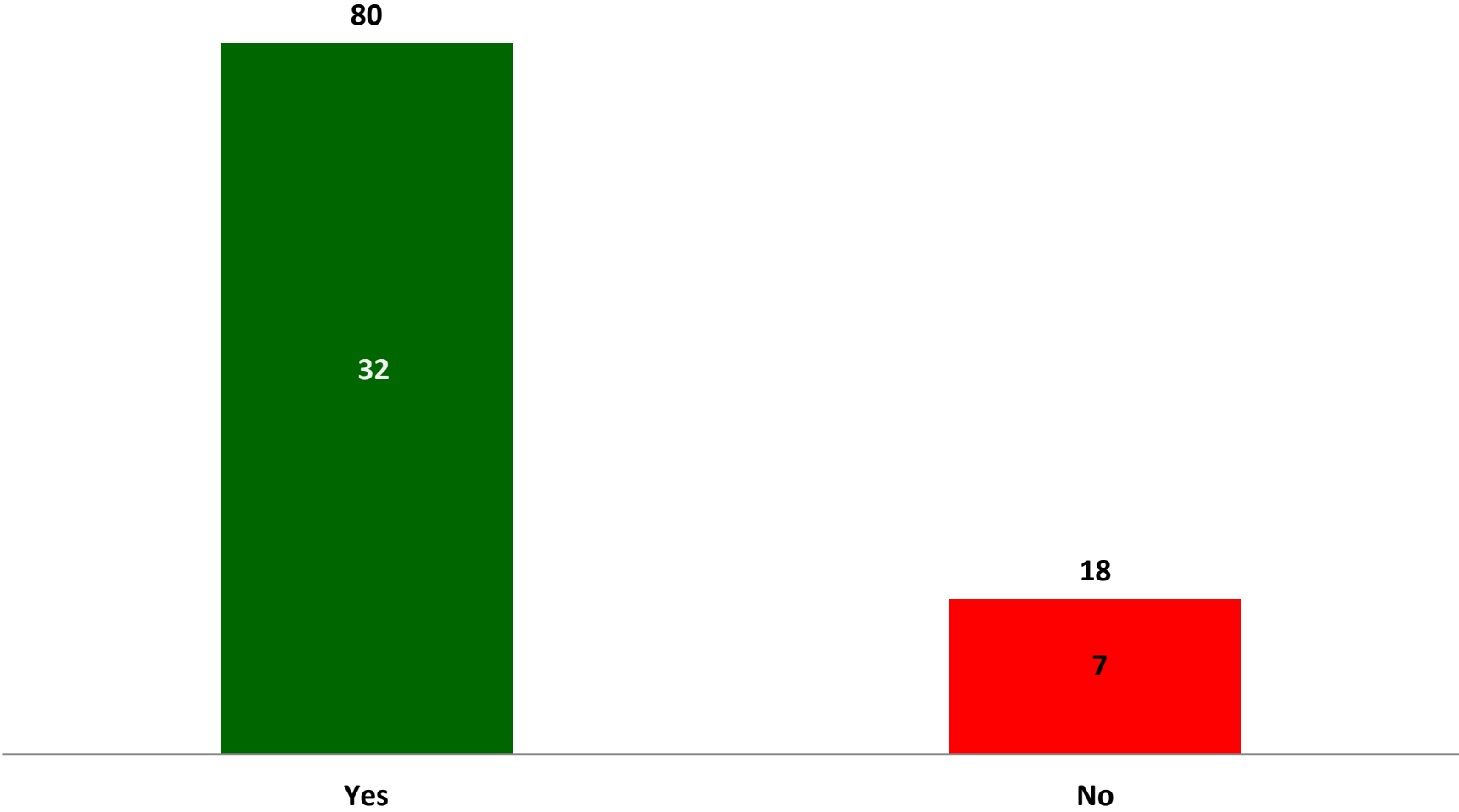
**Many households receive contributions - that is money or gifts - from abroad. Does your household receive such contributions? (Non-migrants)**



**How important are contributions - that is money or gifts - received from abroad to your household's well-being? Are they ... (Of those who receive contributions from abroad)**



**Many migrants send contributions - that is money or gifts - to Armenia. Do you send any contributions? (Migrants only)**

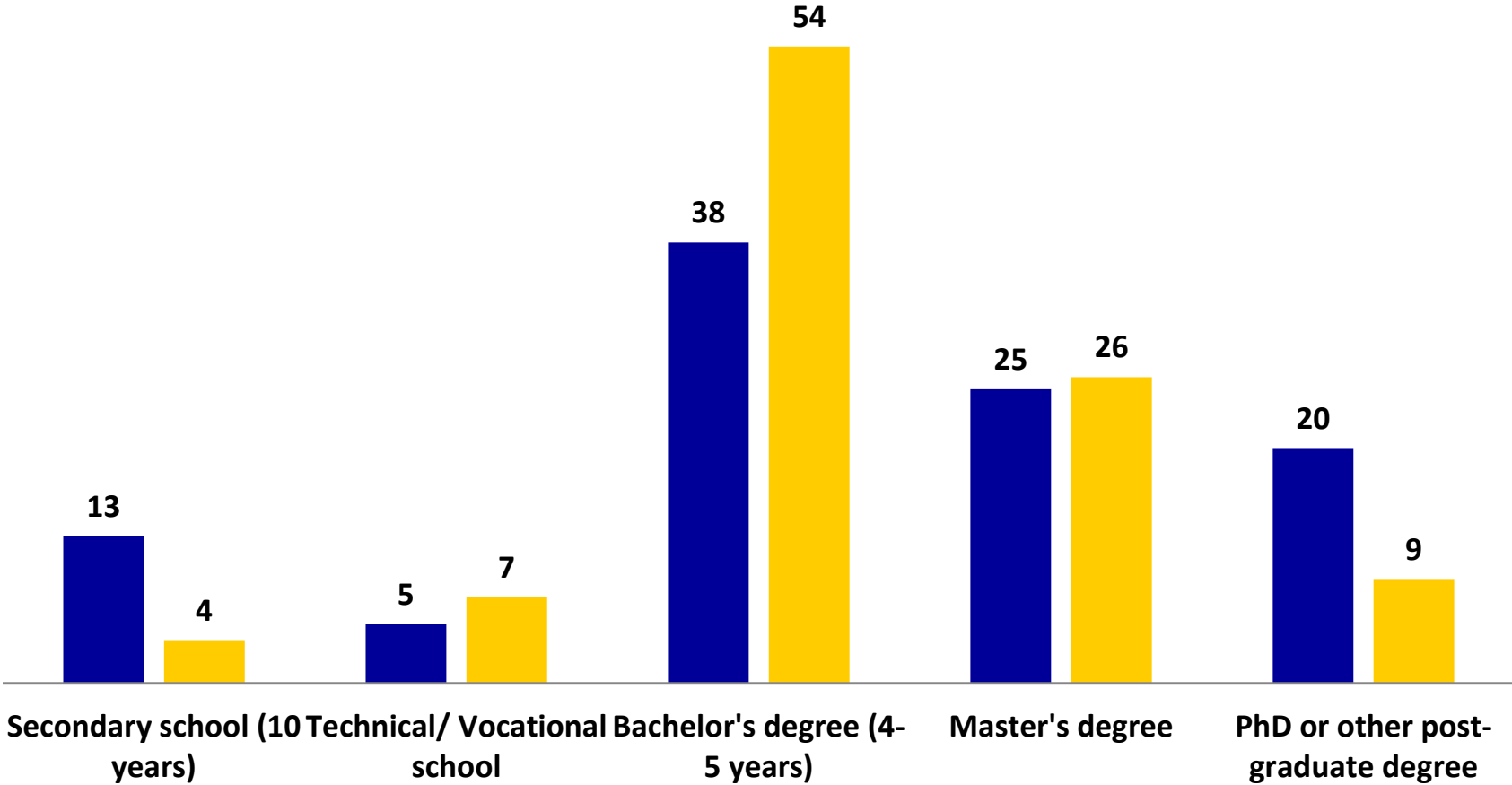


Education



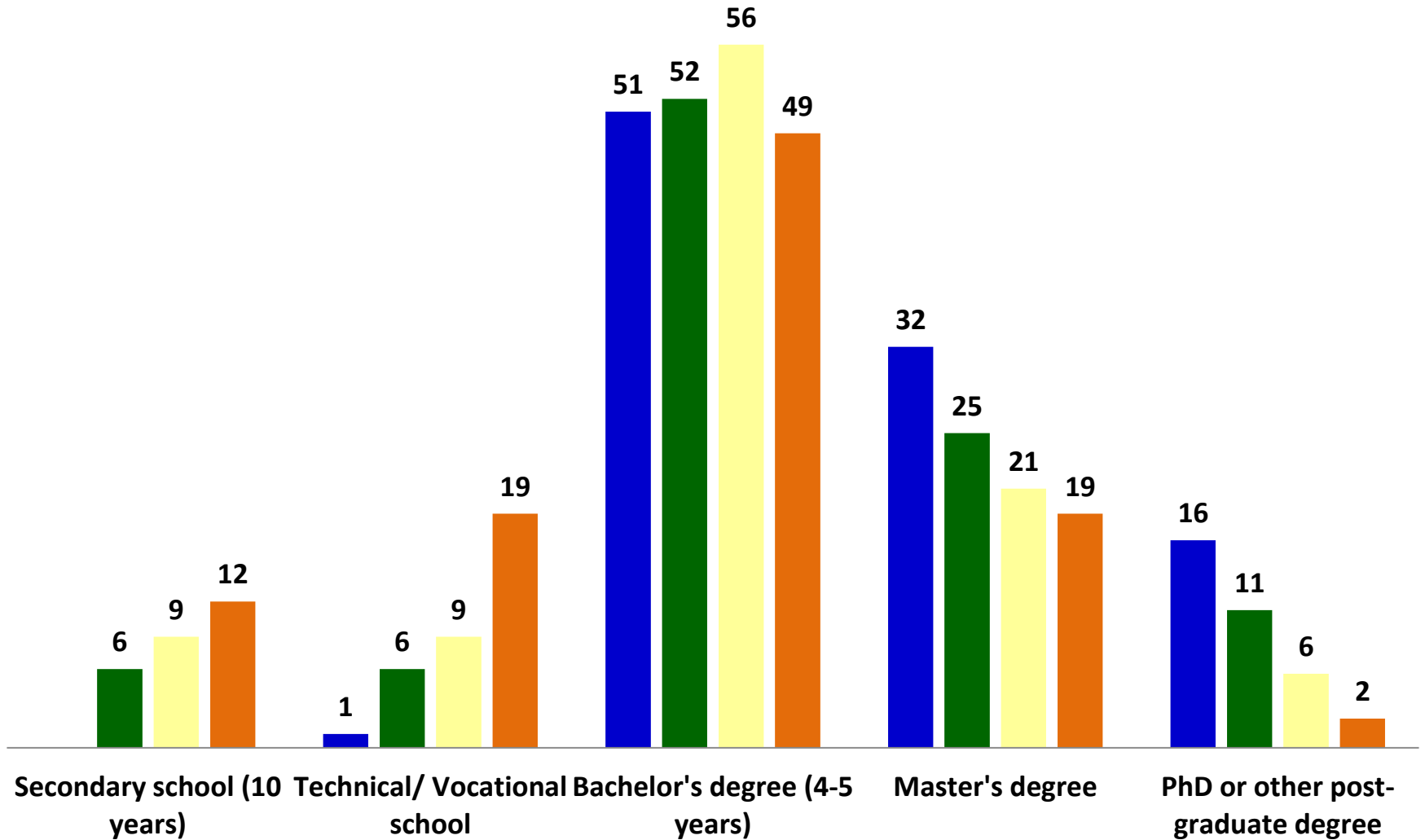
# What is the highest degree of education you have obtained?

■ migrant ■ non-migrant



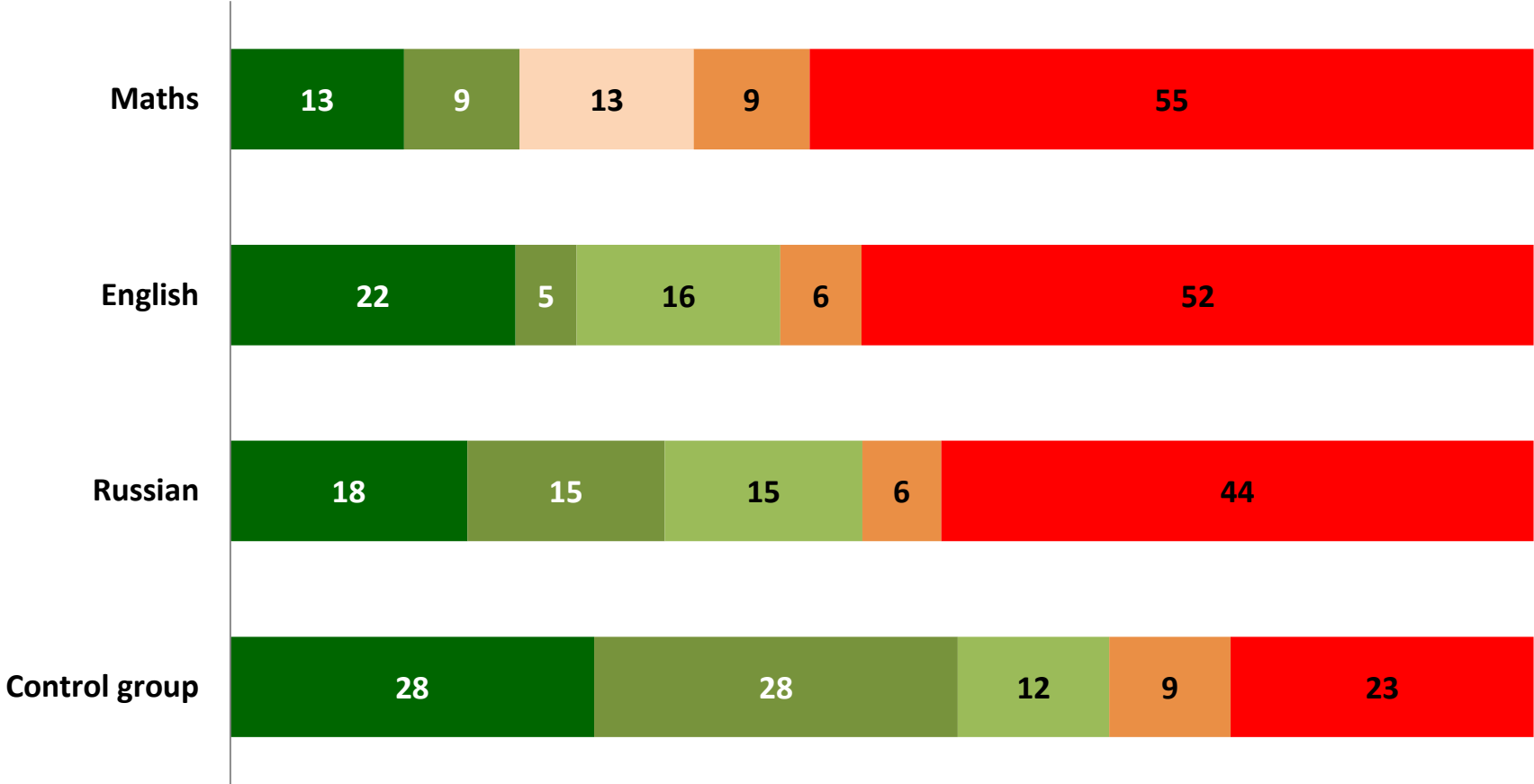
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■ Maths ■ English ■ Russian ■ Control group



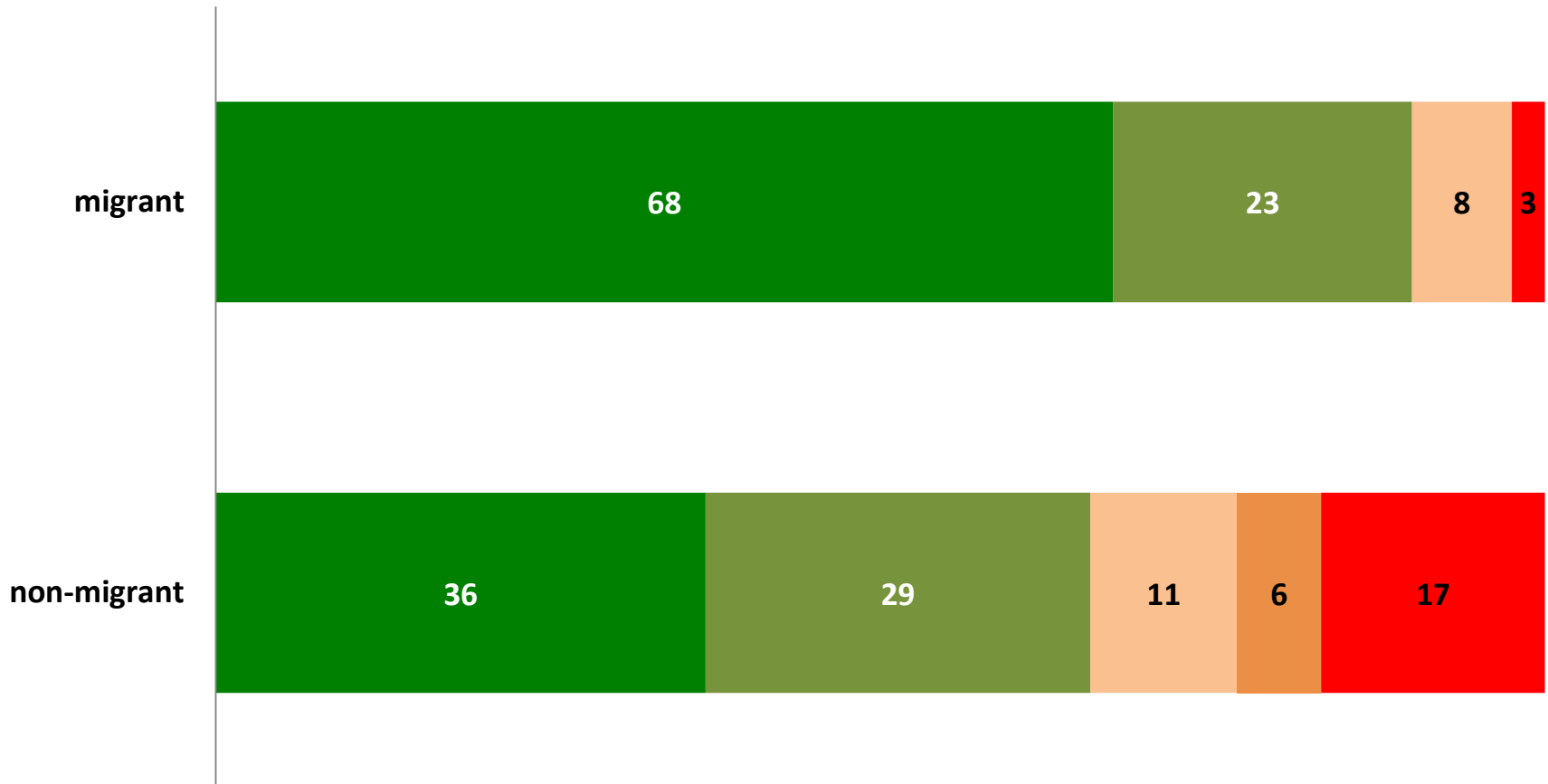
On a scale of 1-5, where 1 is 'not useful at all' and 5 is 'very useful' please indicate how useful were network of friends and contacts for your career?

Very useful    Somewhat useful    Neutral    Somewhat not useful    Not useful at all



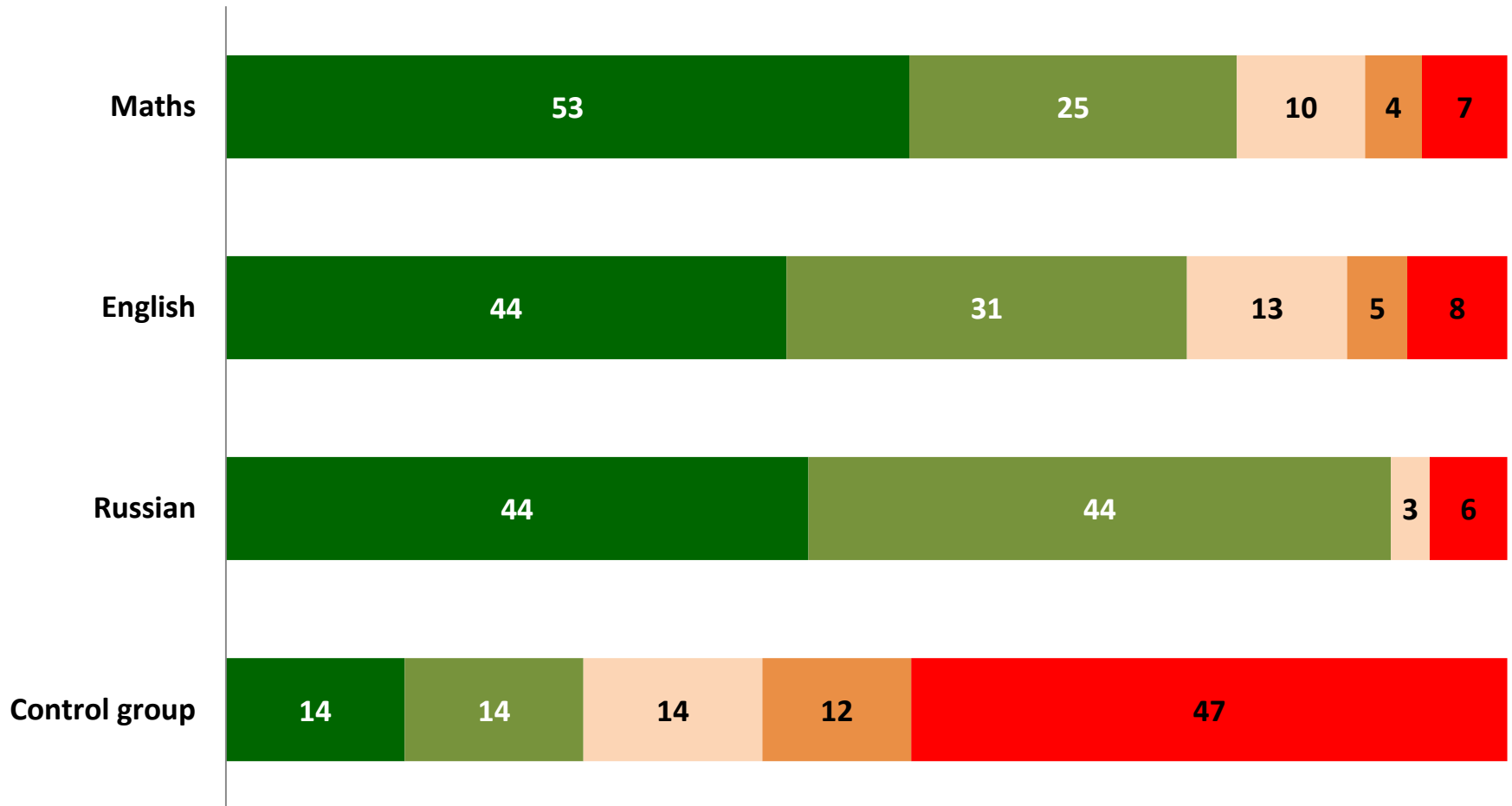
On a scale of 1-5, where 1 is 'not useful at all' and 5 is 'very useful' please indicate how useful were general skills you learnt for your career?

■ Very useful   ■ Somewhat useful   ■ Neutral   ■ Somewhat not useful   ■ Not useful at all



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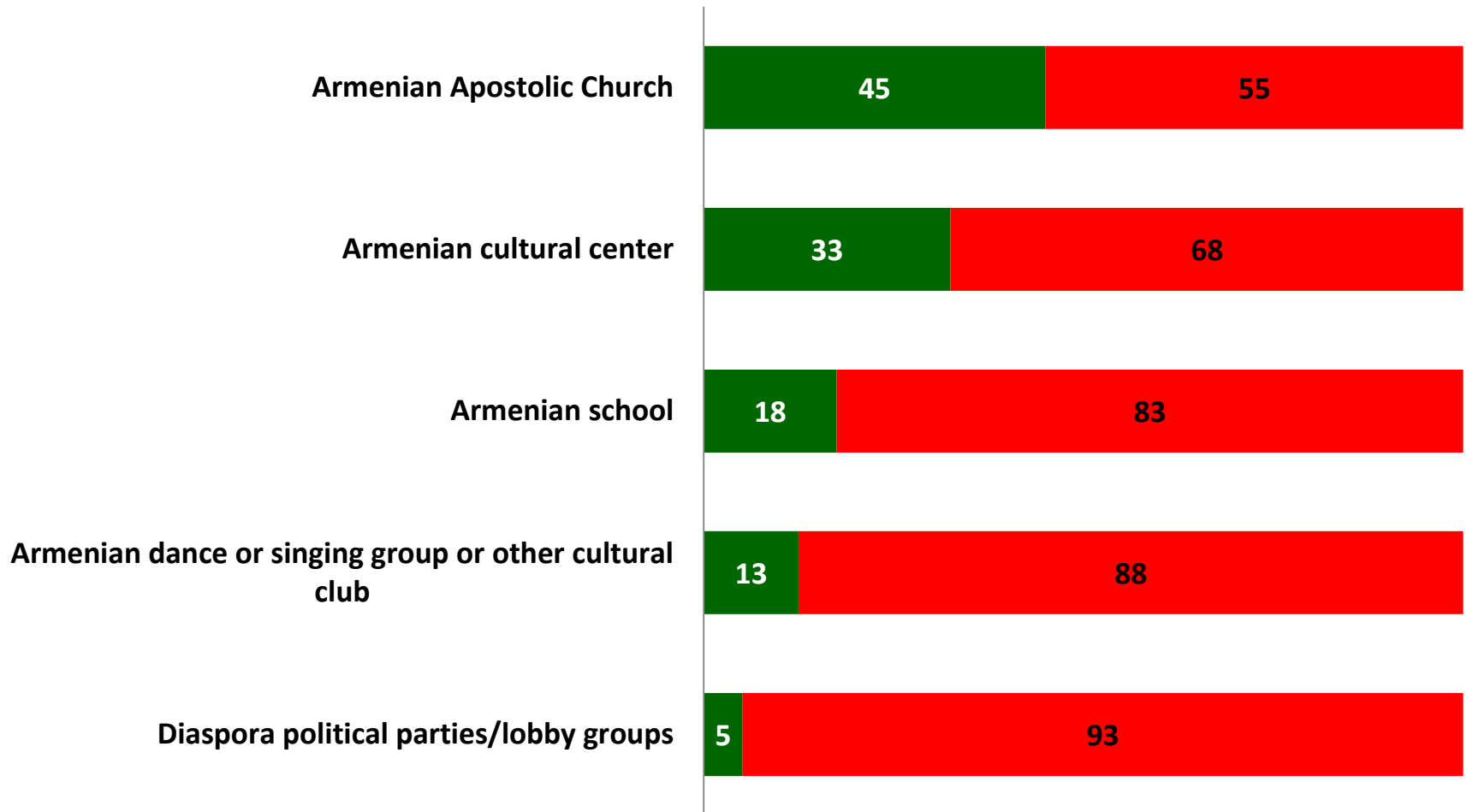
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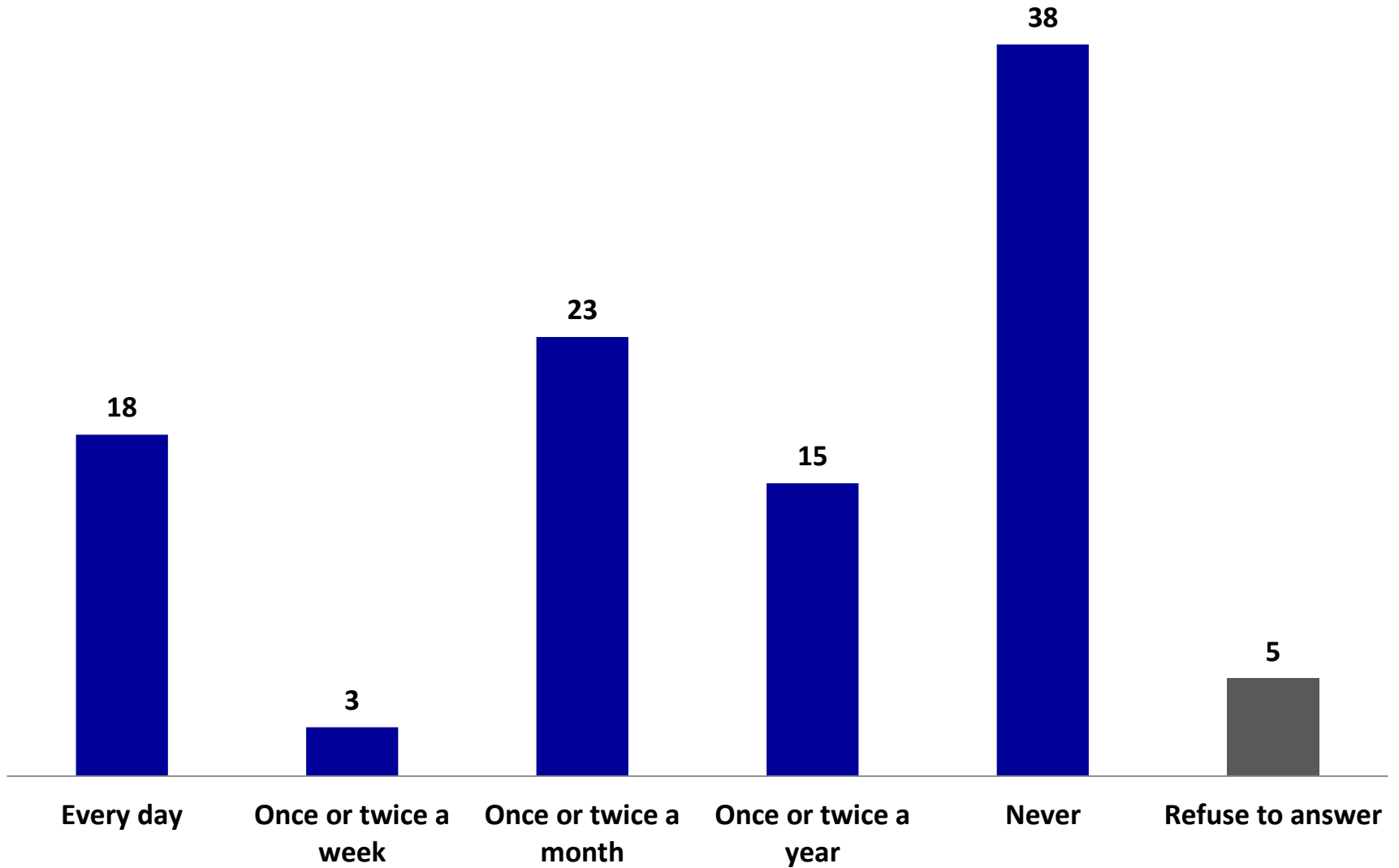
# Social Capital

**Do you have active involvement with the following institutions?  
Active is indicated by at least once a month. (Migrants only)**

■ Yes ■ No

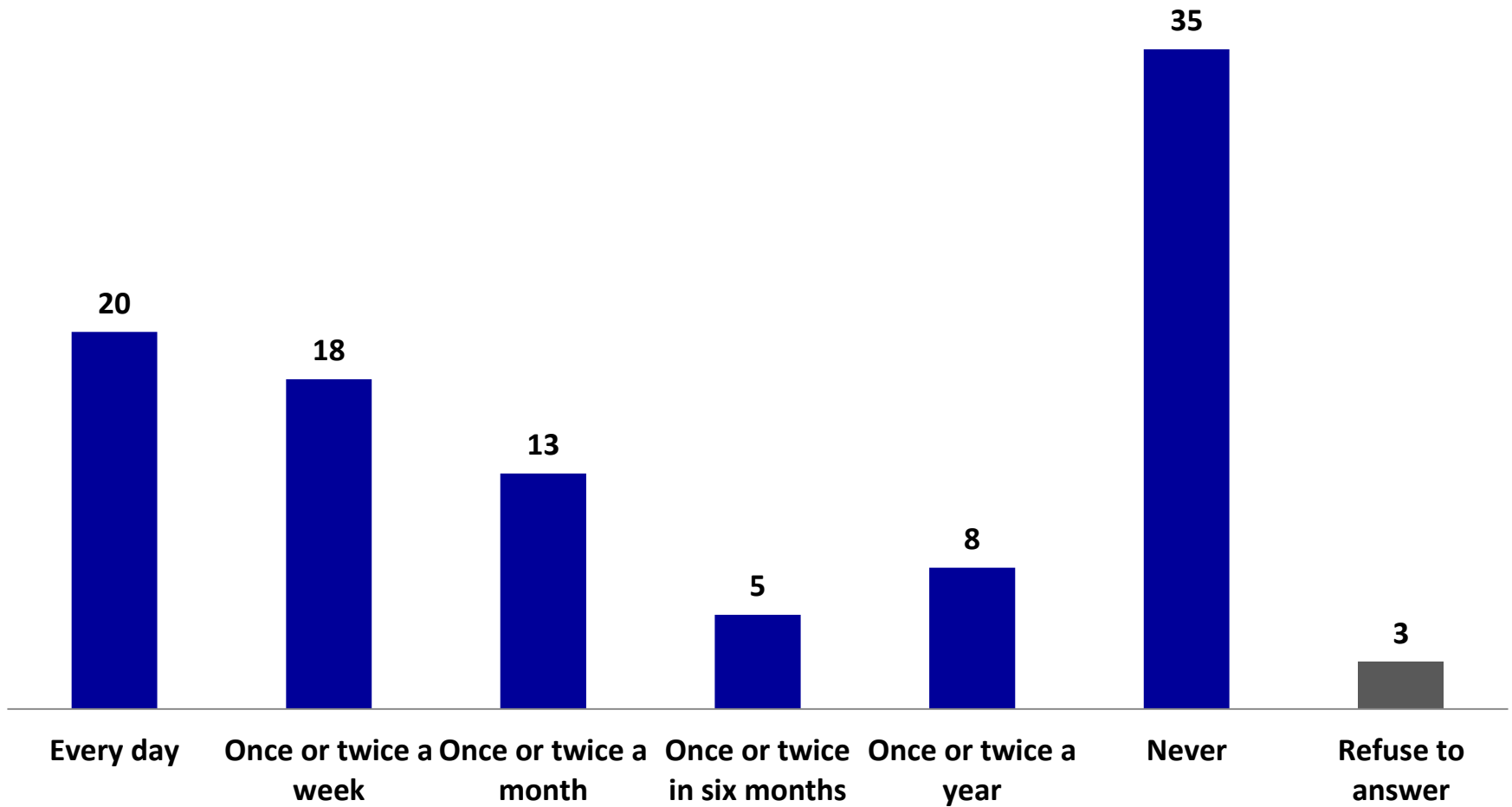


**How often do you consult Diaspora based print newspaper/magazine for receiving information about Armenia? (Migrants only)**

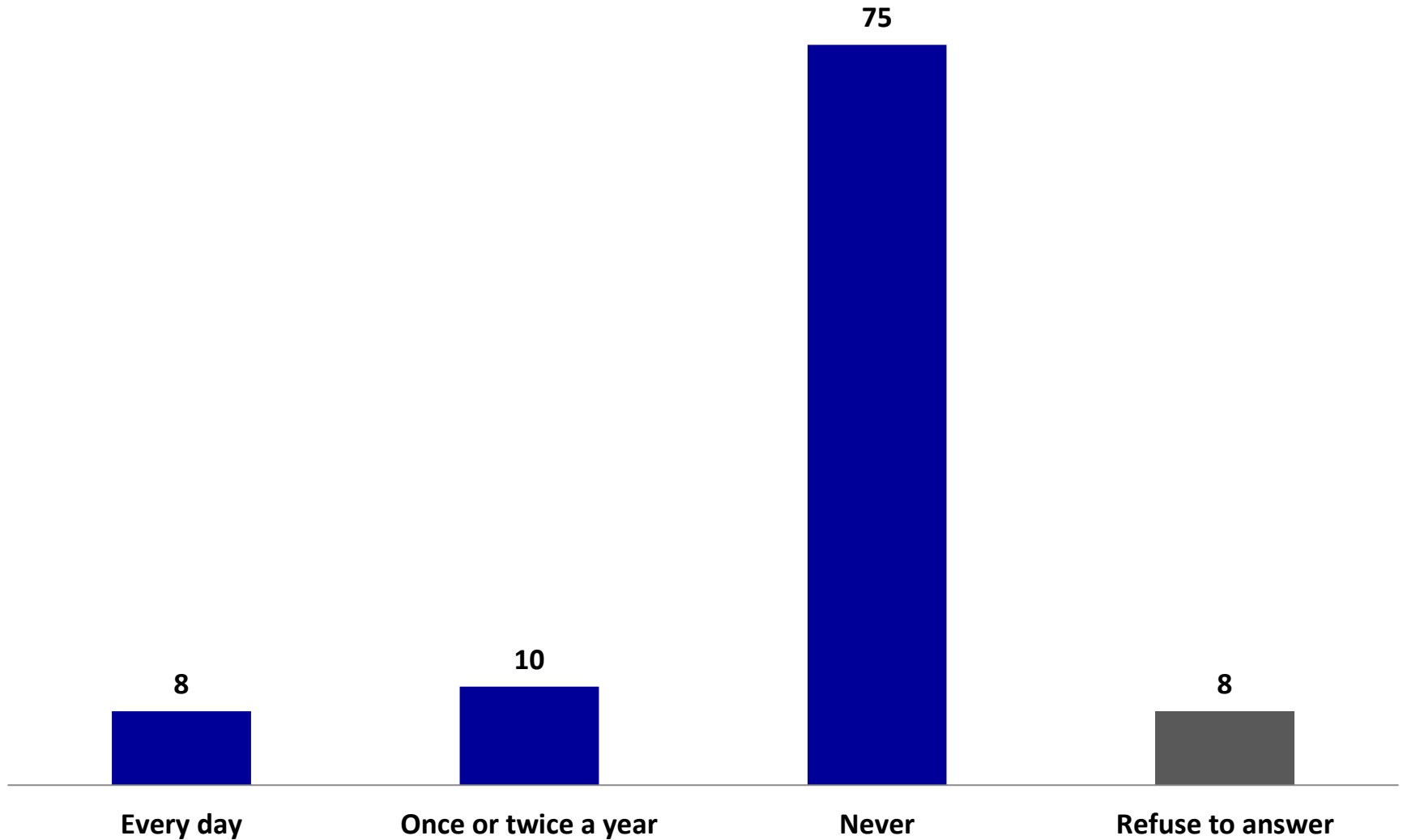




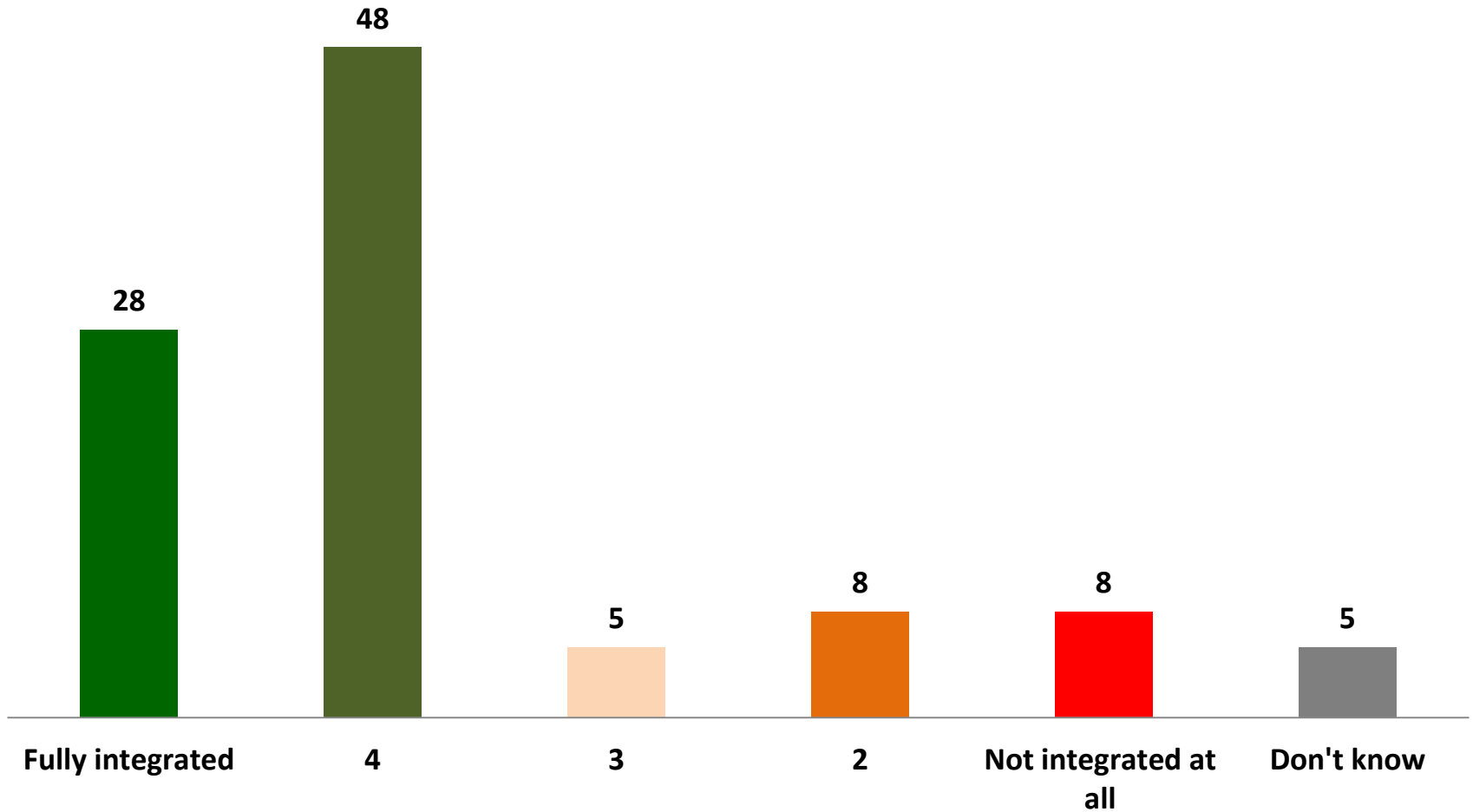
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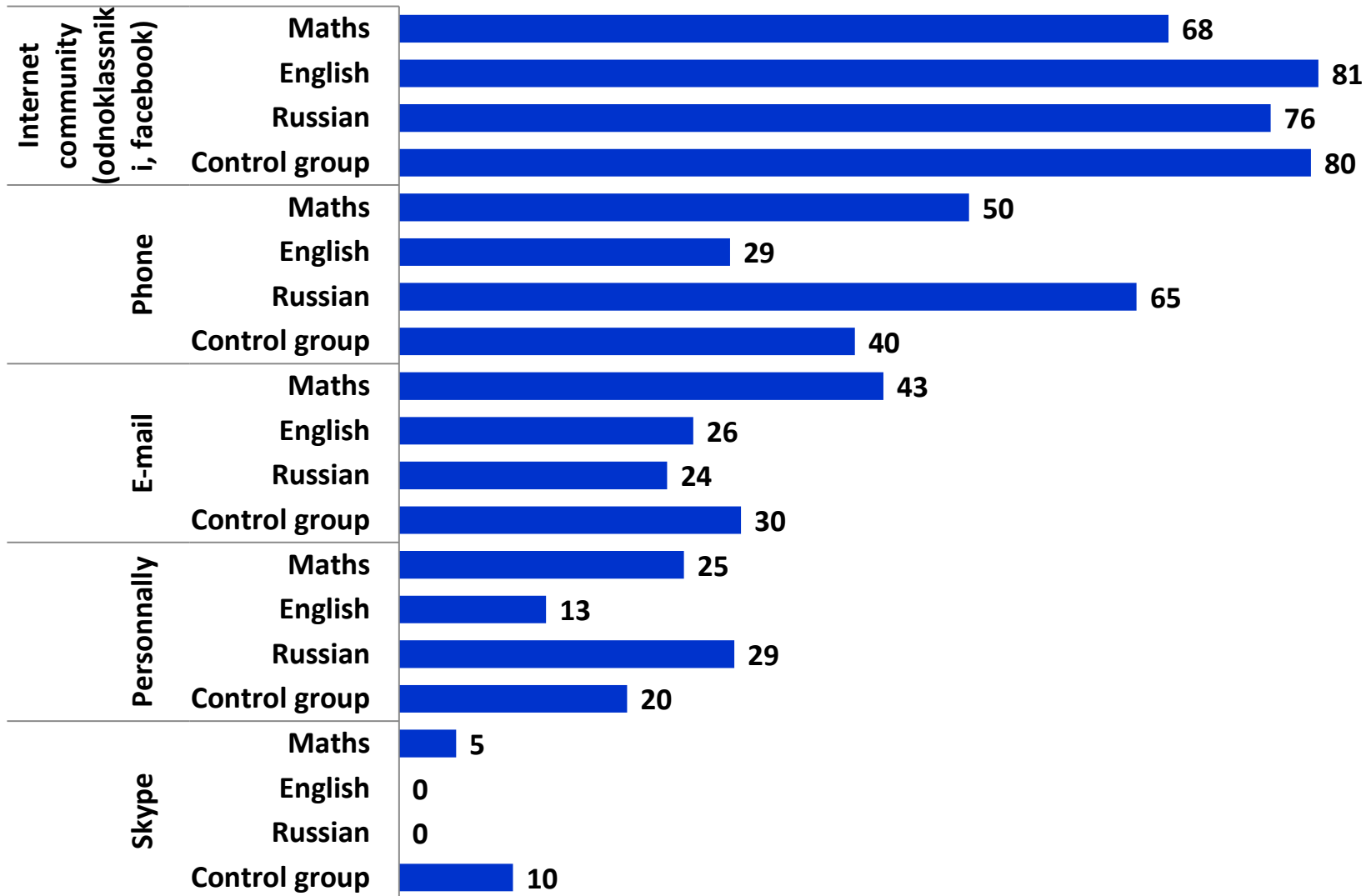
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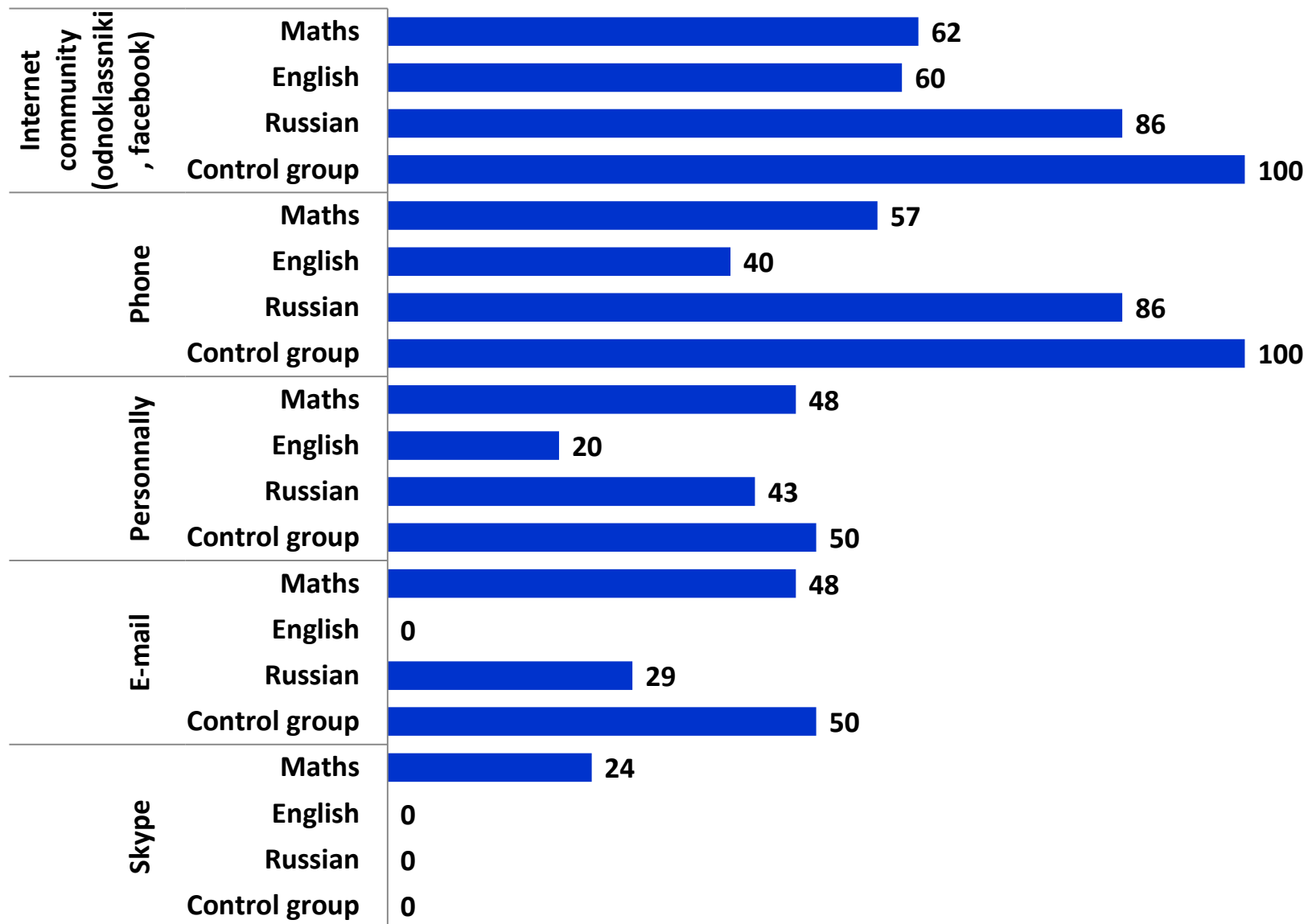
**Overall how integrated do you feel where you currently live on a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 means not integrated at all and 5 means totally integrated? (Migrants only)**



## What methods do you use to keep in touch with your friends that are in Armenia? (Non-migrants)



## What methods do you use to keep in touch with your friends that are in Armenia? (Migrants)



# Recommendations

- The Government of Armenia should have reforms in place and change the situation to be able to attract its educated elite to return.
- The Government should also work towards changing the perception of migrants about the developments in Armenia.
- A working group should be formed to coordinate voluntary services better.