

NATIONAL GOVERNANCE, PEACE AND SECURITY SURVEY (NGPSS) 2024/25

KEY FINDINGS

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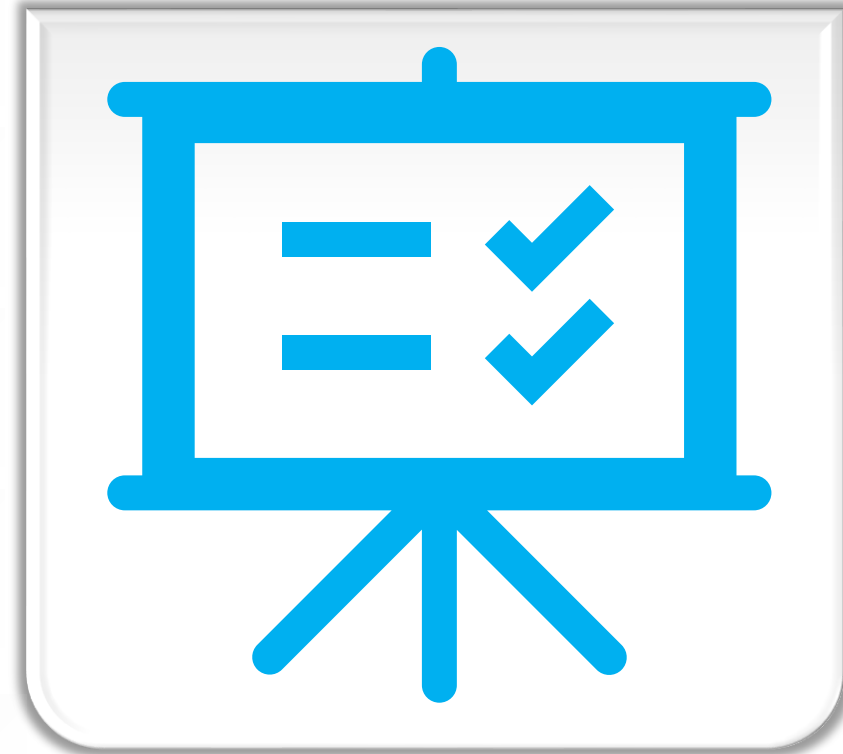
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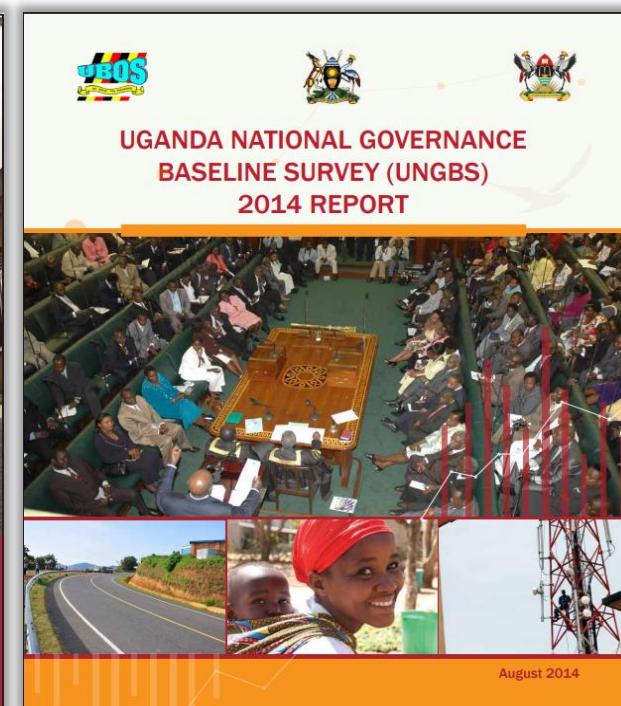
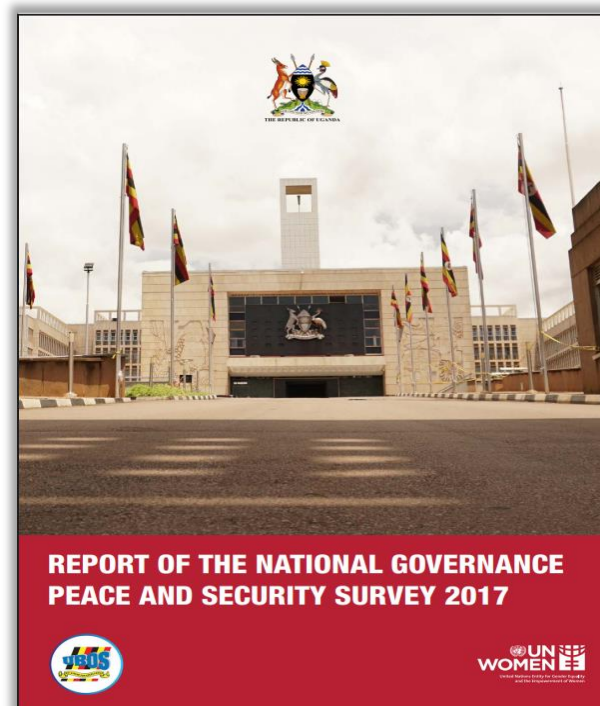


Introduction

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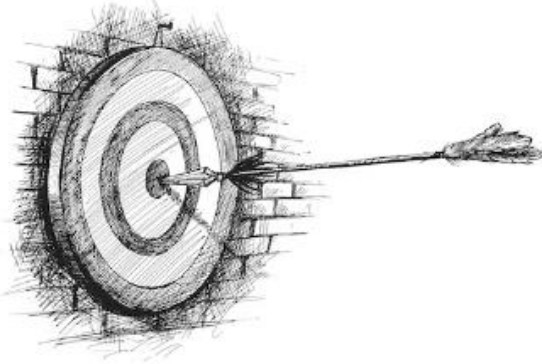
- In the series of National Governance Peace and Security Surveys
- Co-funded by Government of Uganda and UN Women

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Objectives

General Objective



Specific Objectives

To generate updated statistical indicators for monitoring the legal and administrative initiatives of Government in line with the national, regional and global frameworks

1. To collect nationally representative data on Governance, Peace and Security;
2. To update the prioritised set of Governance, Peace and Security indicators required to monitor NDP IV, SDG Goal 16, Africa Agenda 2063 and National Standard Indicators;
3. To provide trends for Governance, Peace, and Security Statistics

Methodology

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- **Sampling frame:** National Population and Housing Census (NPHC) 2024
- **Sample size:** 9,000 households selected from 600 Enumeration Areas (EAs)
- The 600 EAs were selected with Probability Proportional to Size (PPS)
- The 15 households were selected from each EA using systematic sampling.
- **Two Respondents:** Aged 18 and above (one male and one female) were selected from each household.
- **Representativeness of results:**
 - i) Nationally representative
 - ii) 15 Sub – Regions
 - iii) Urban-Rural residence

Methodology...

Used a Three Stage Sampling Design

1

Enumeration areas were grouped by the 15 Sub-Regions with similar socio-economic characteristics

600

Total EAs selected



2

Households were selected using systematic random sampling

9,000



15

Households surveyed from each EA

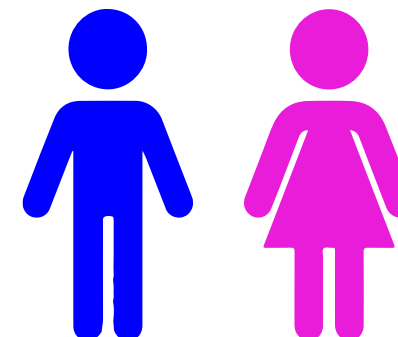


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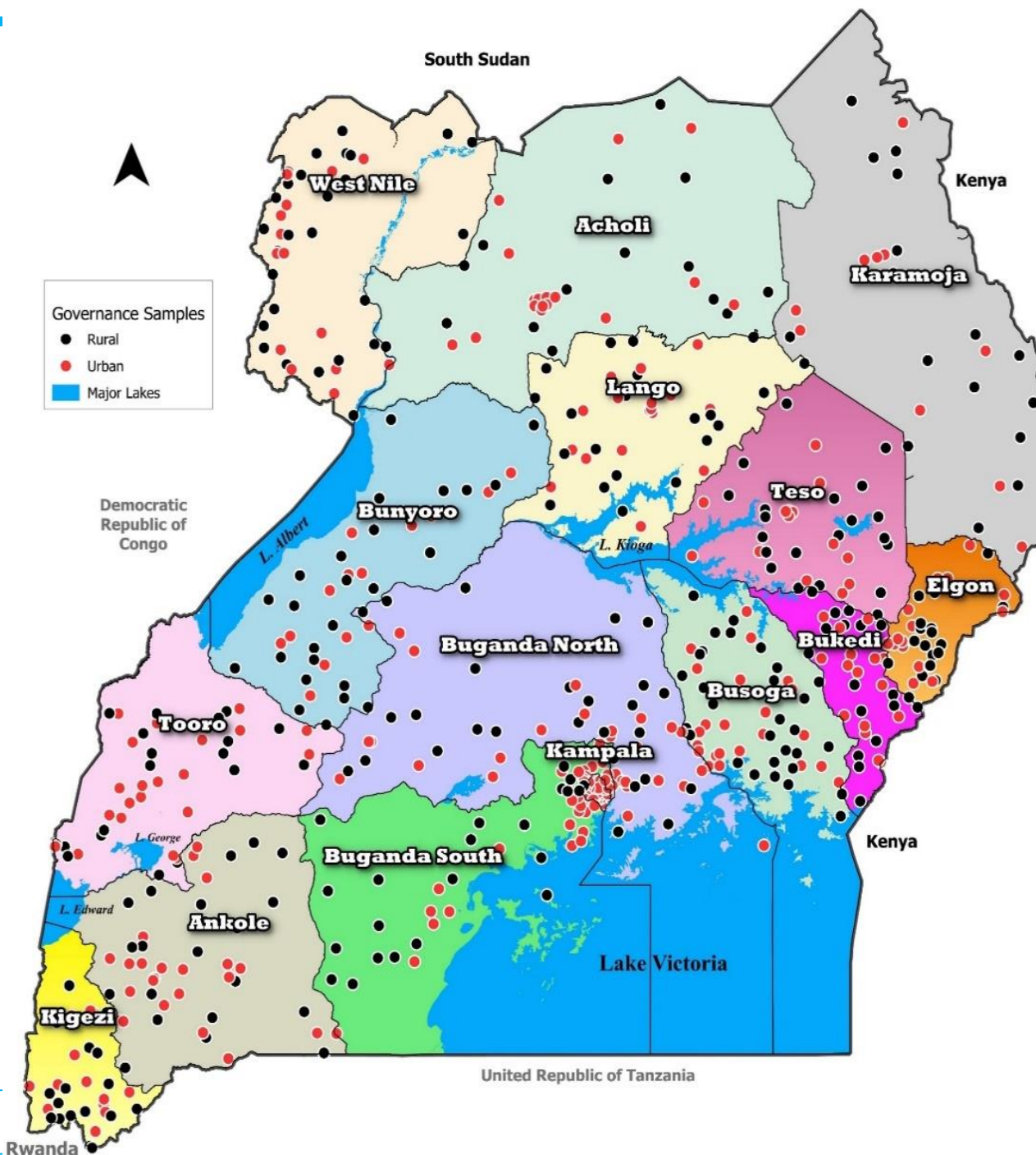
Individuals aged 18 and above were selected randomly from each household

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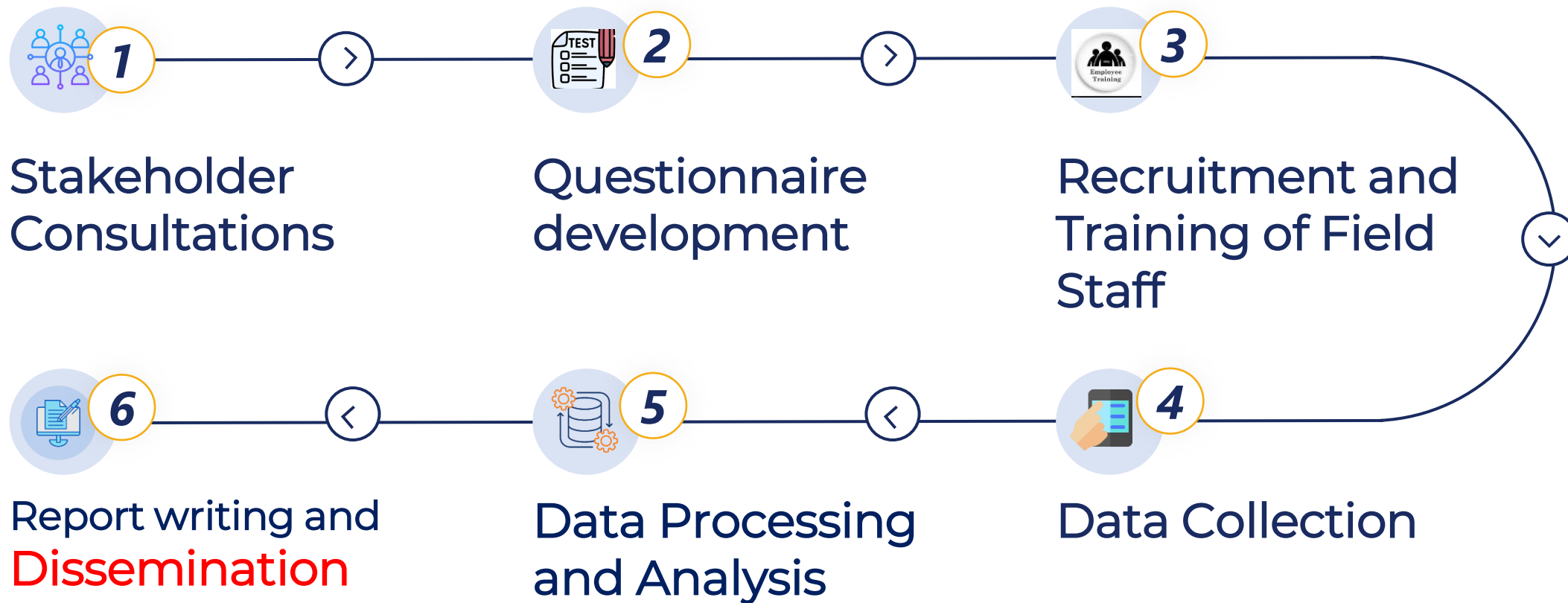
Adults (One male and one female) randomly selected from each household



Distribution of Sampled Enumeration Areas by Sub-Region and Residence



The Survey Process



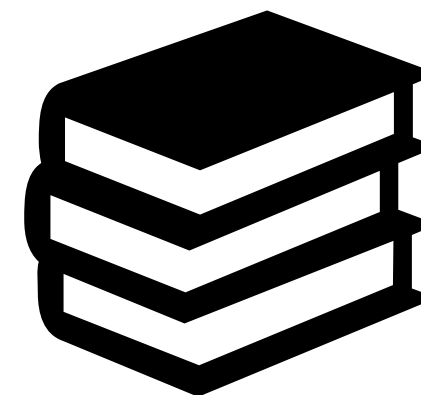
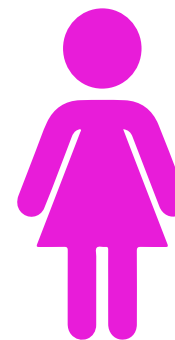
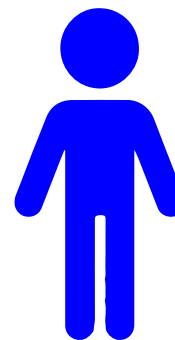
Response Rates

Household Interviews	Urban	Rural	Total
Households selected	4,410	4,590	9,000
Household Interviewed	3,728	4,018	7,746
Household response rate (%)	84.5	87.5	86.1
Interviews with women aged 18 and above			
Number of eligible women	2,819	3,138	5,957
Number of eligible women interviewed	2,729	3,016	5,745
Eligible women response rate (%)	96.8	96.1	96.4
Interviews with men aged 18 and above			
Number of eligible men	2,256	2,587	4,843
Number of eligible men interviewed	2,130	2,481	4,611
Eligible men response rate (%)	94.4	95.9	95.2

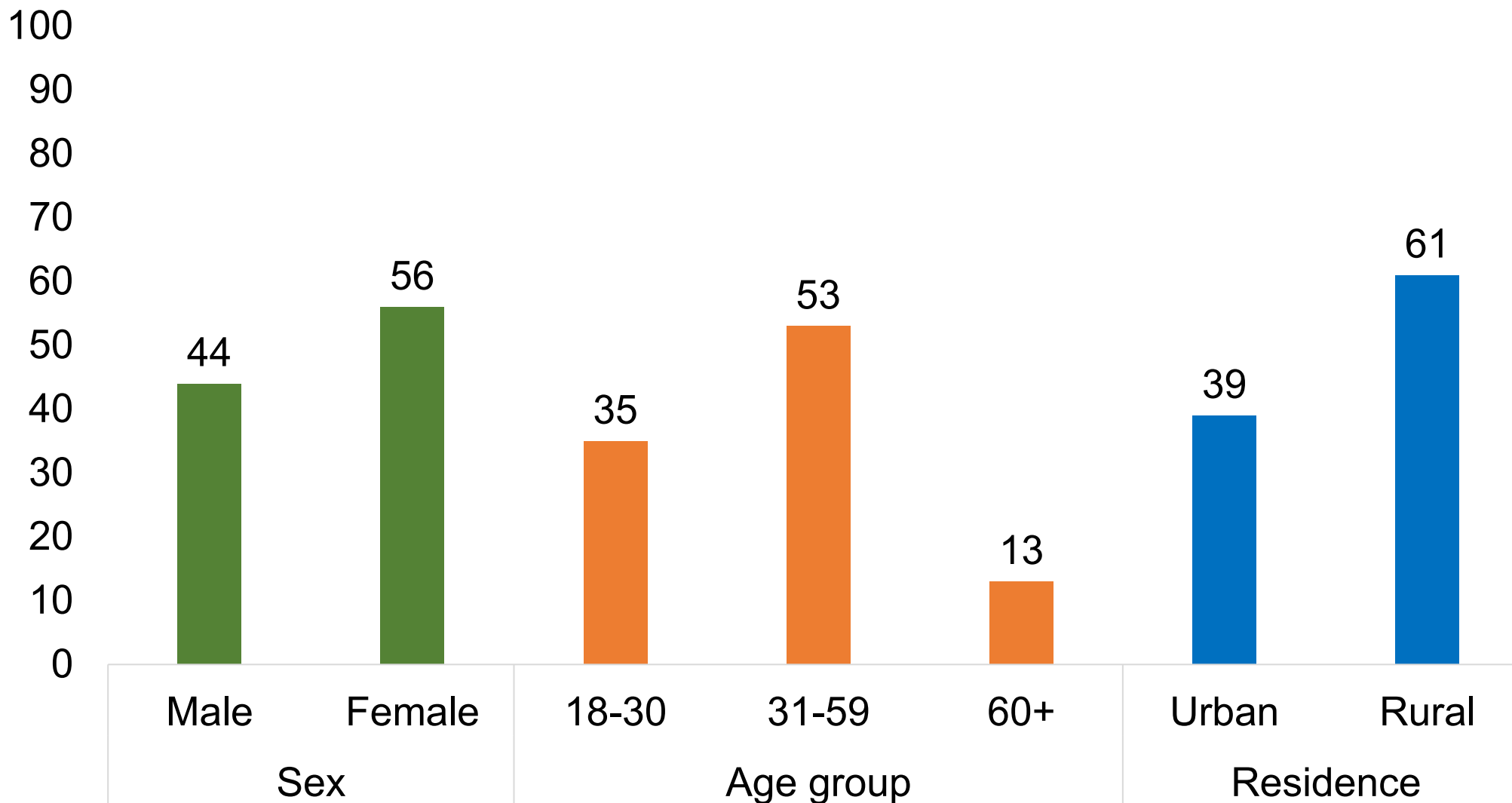
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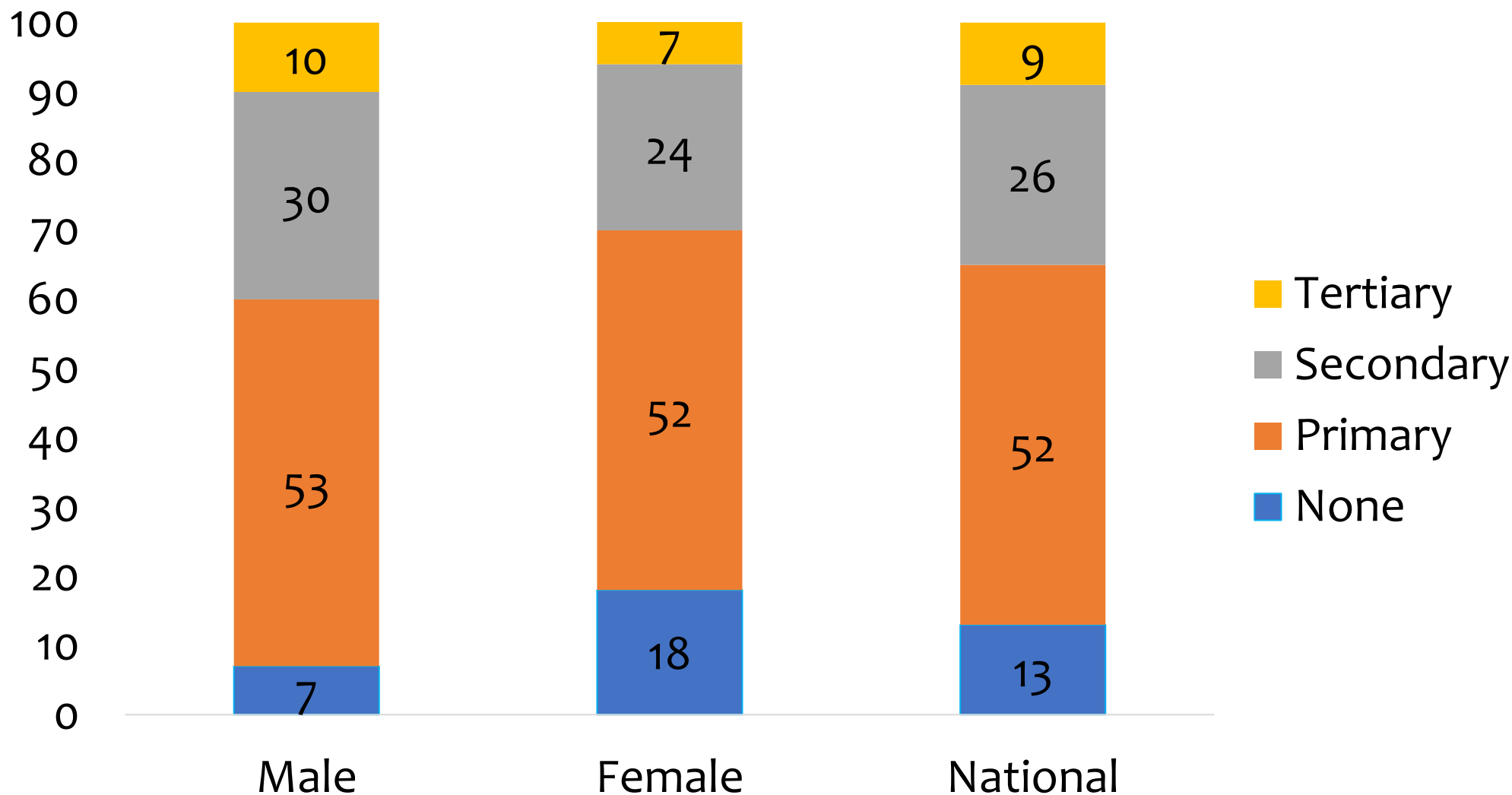
Characteristics of Persons aged 18 and above



Distribution of persons aged 18 and above by Age group, Residence and Sex, (%)



Percentage distribution of persons aged 18 and above by highest level of education attained, (%)



Key Findings

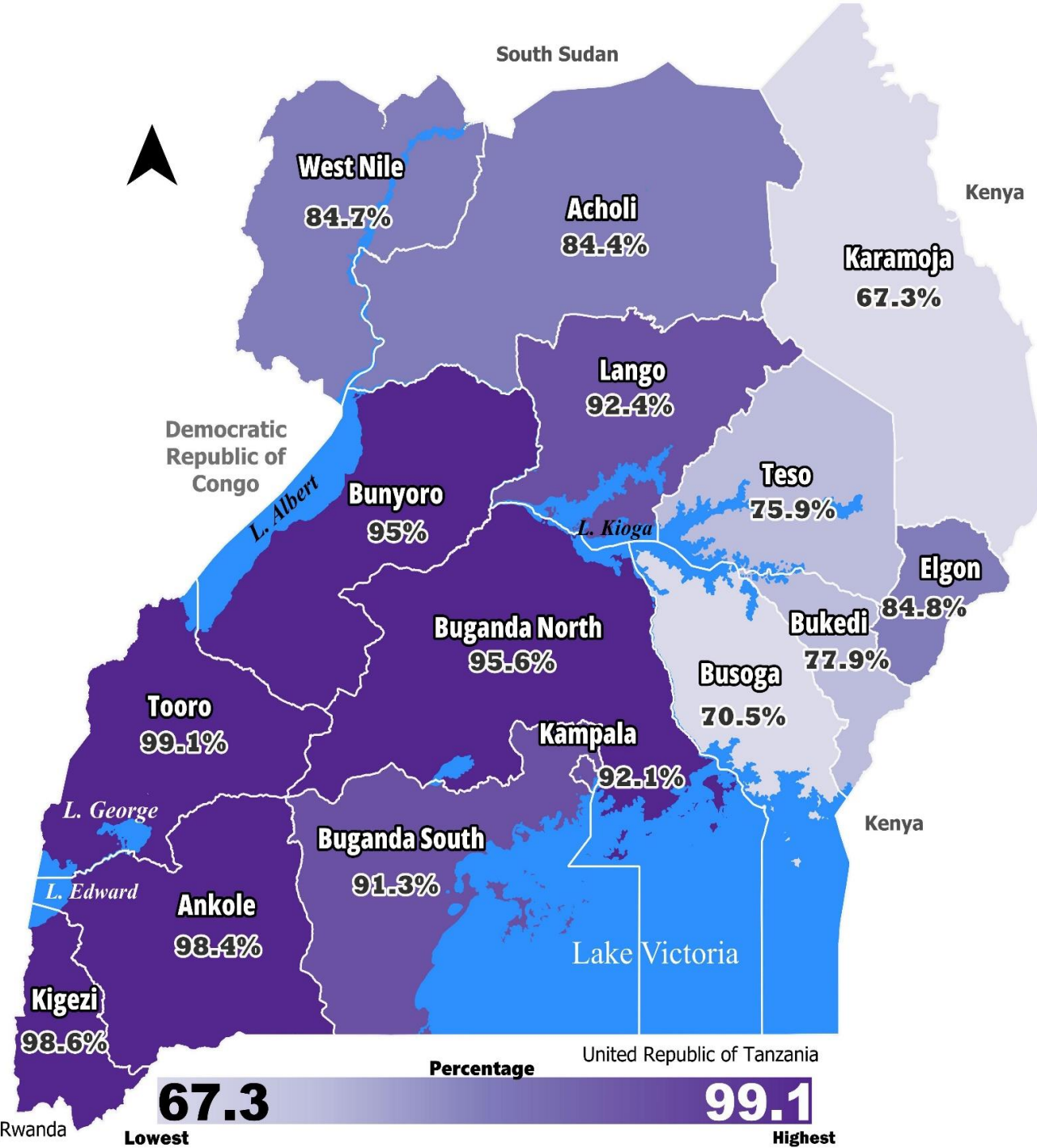
HUMAN RIGHTS AND JUSTICE

- Awareness of Human Rights
- Access to Justice
- Discrimination
- Patriotism

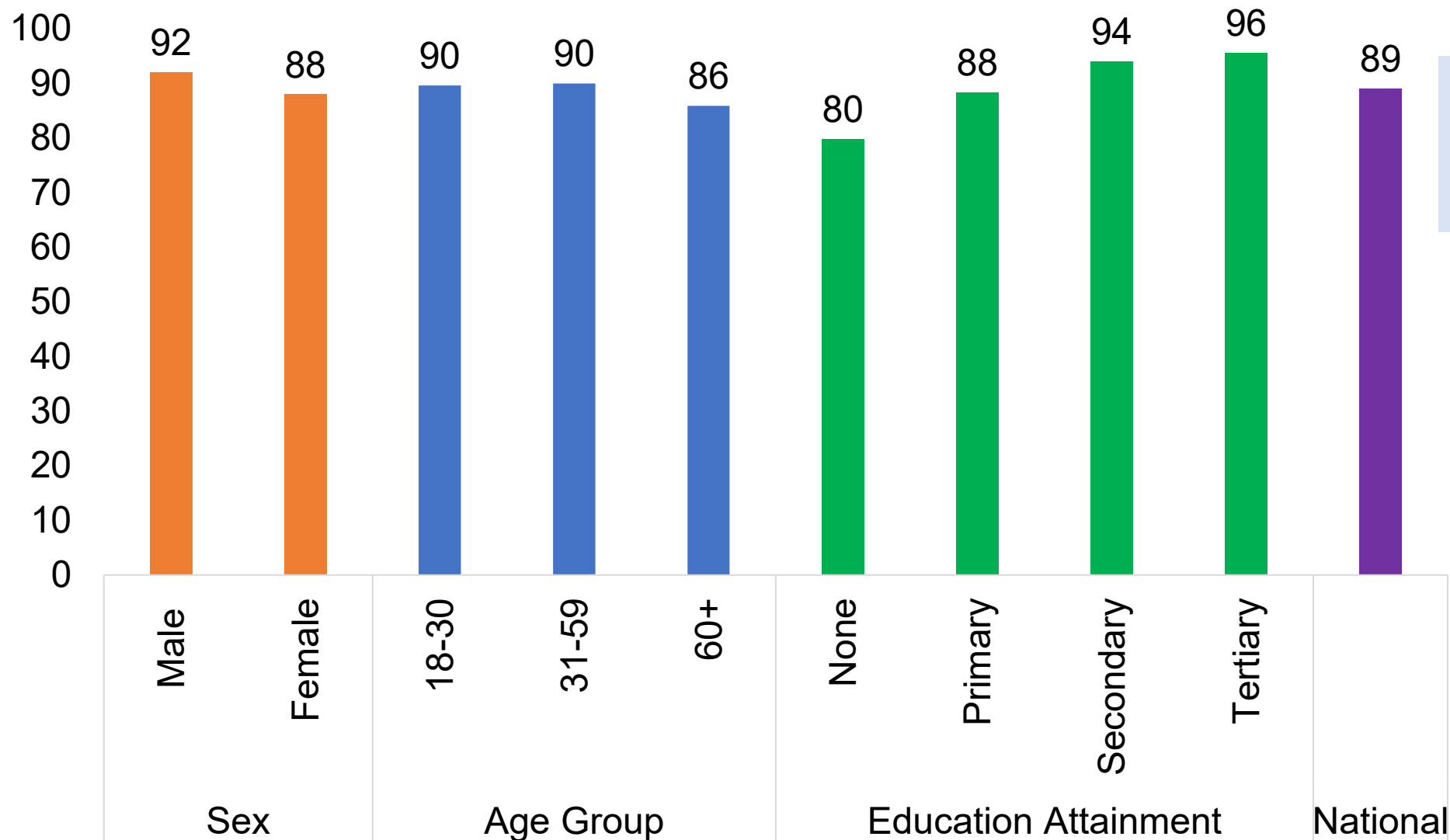


Awareness of Human Rights by Sub-region, (%)

National – 89%

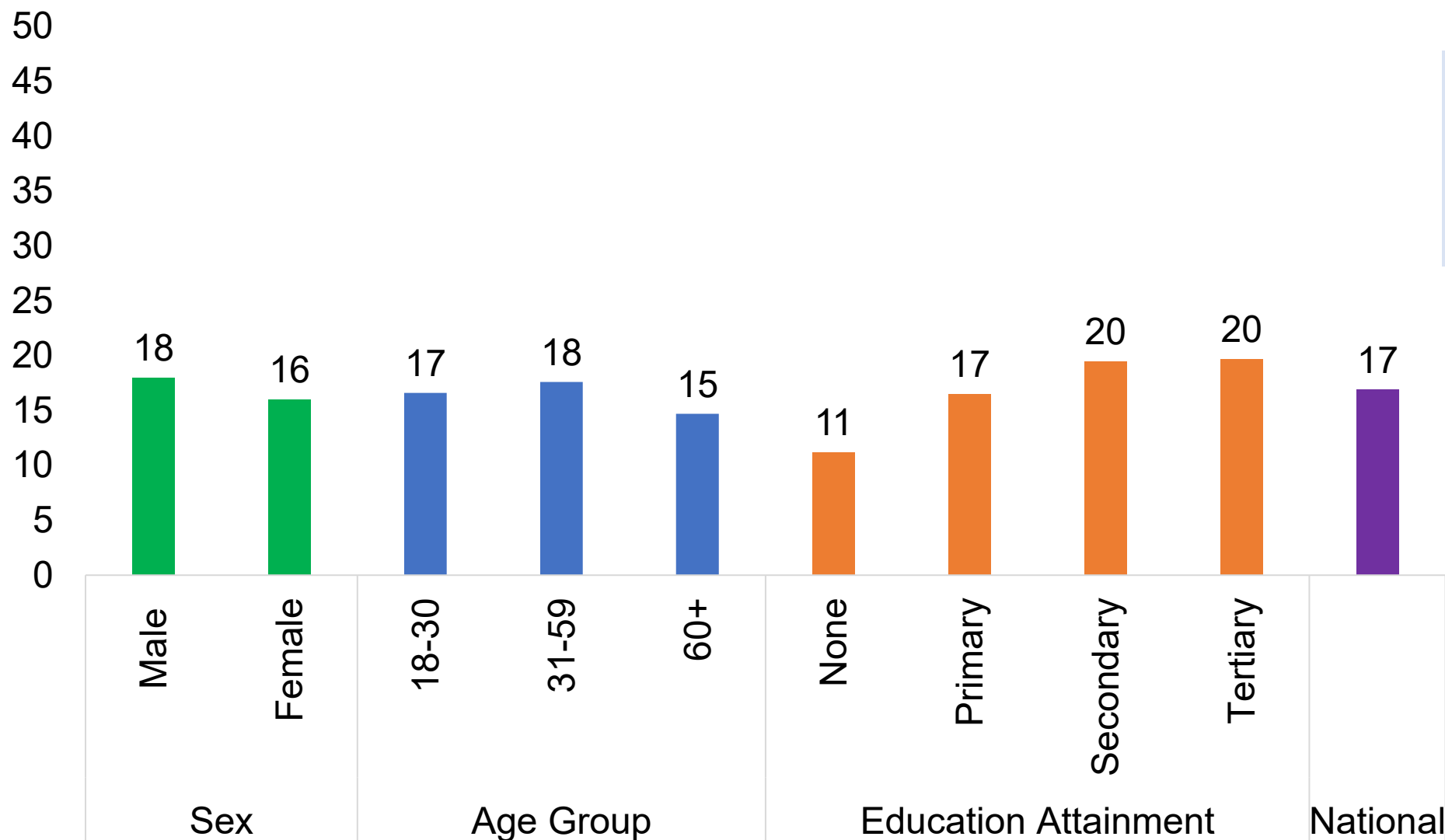


Aware of Human Rights, (%)



QN.
Are you aware of
the different
Human Rights?

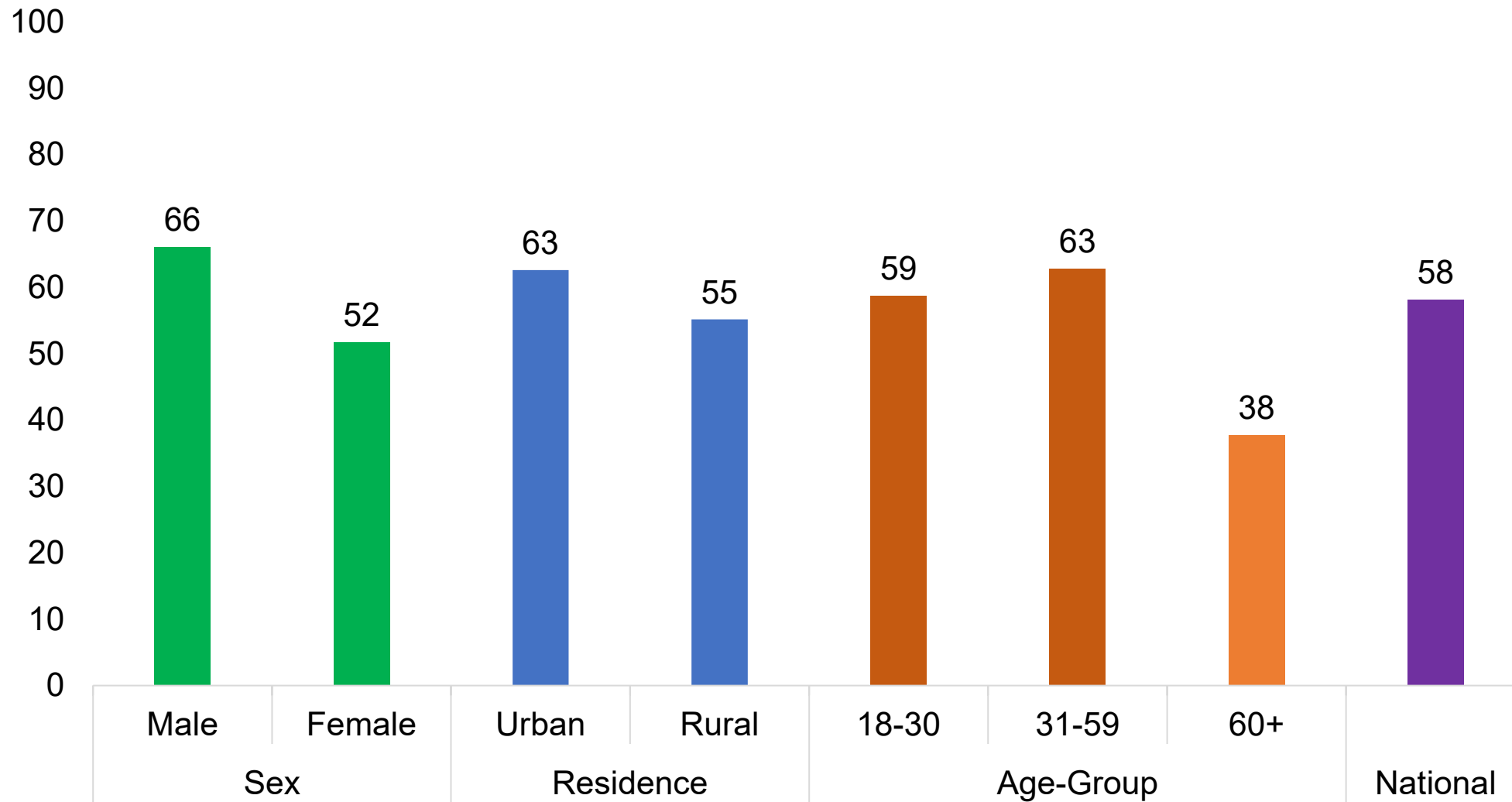
Claimed any of the Human Rights, (%)



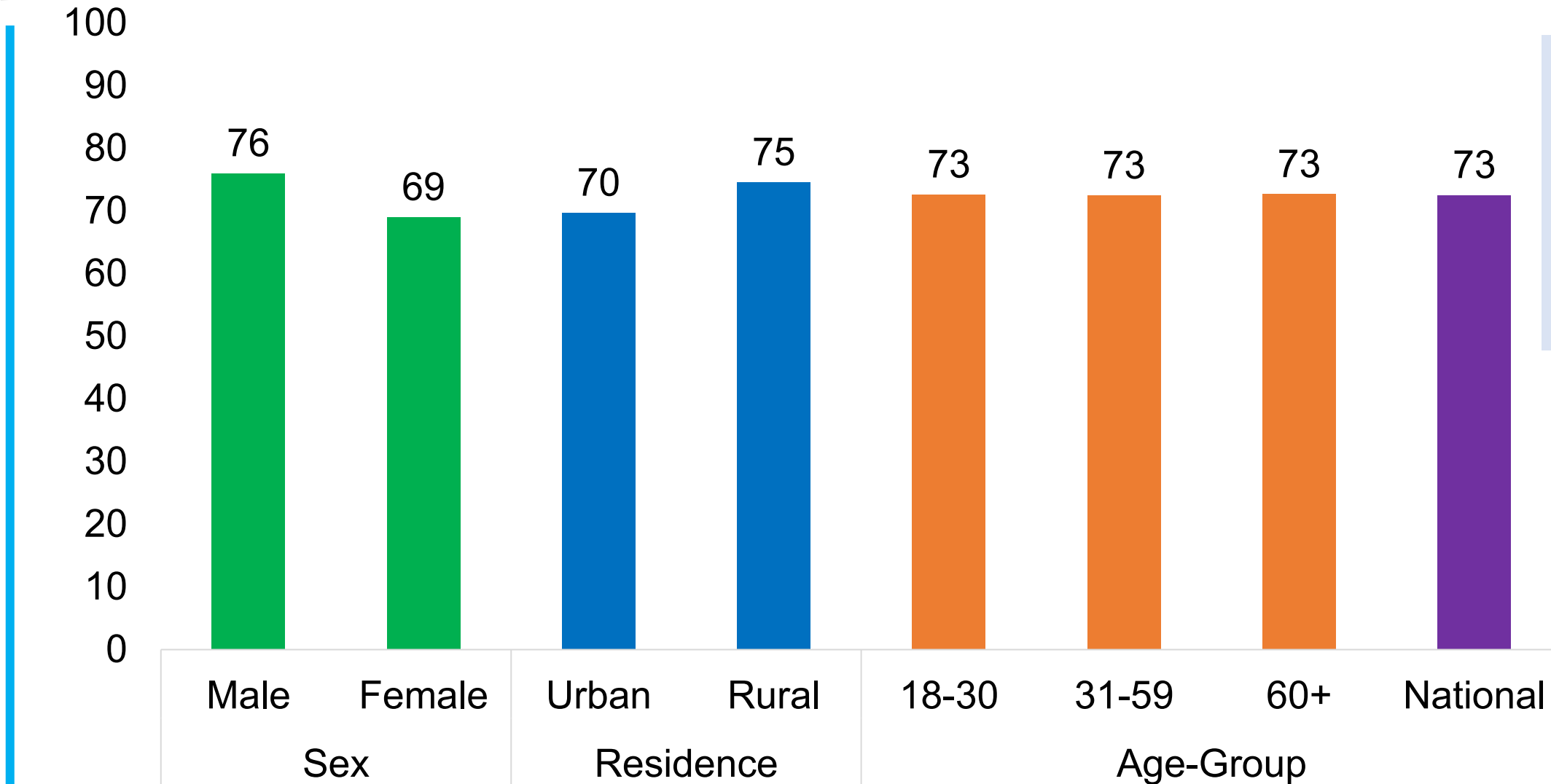
QN.

In the last 12 months, did you claim any of the Human Rights?

Working Population aged 18 and above, (%)



Work in harmful environments, (%)



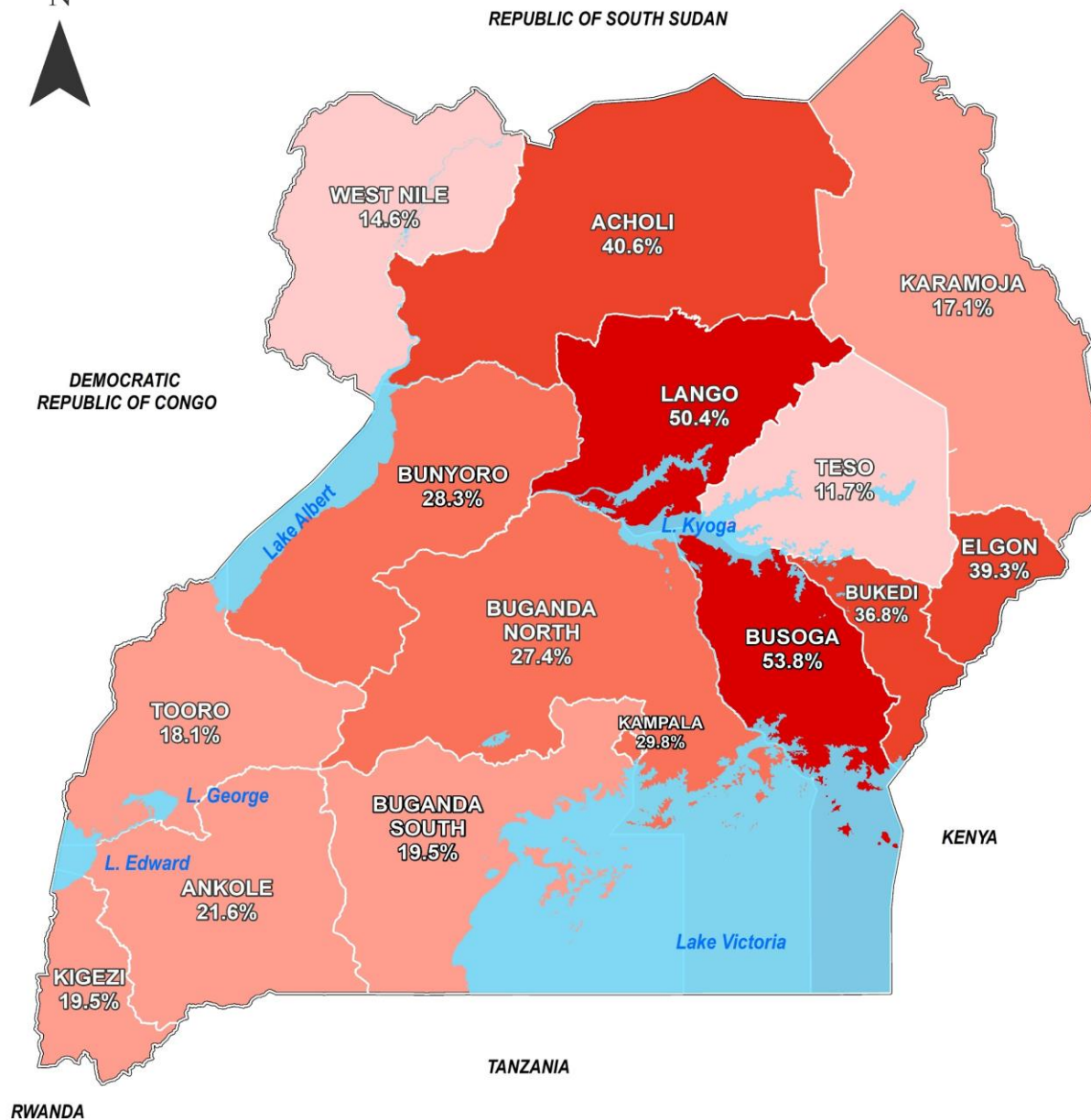
Human Right to Work

Qn: Regarding your work, are there things that you feel are harmful to your health?



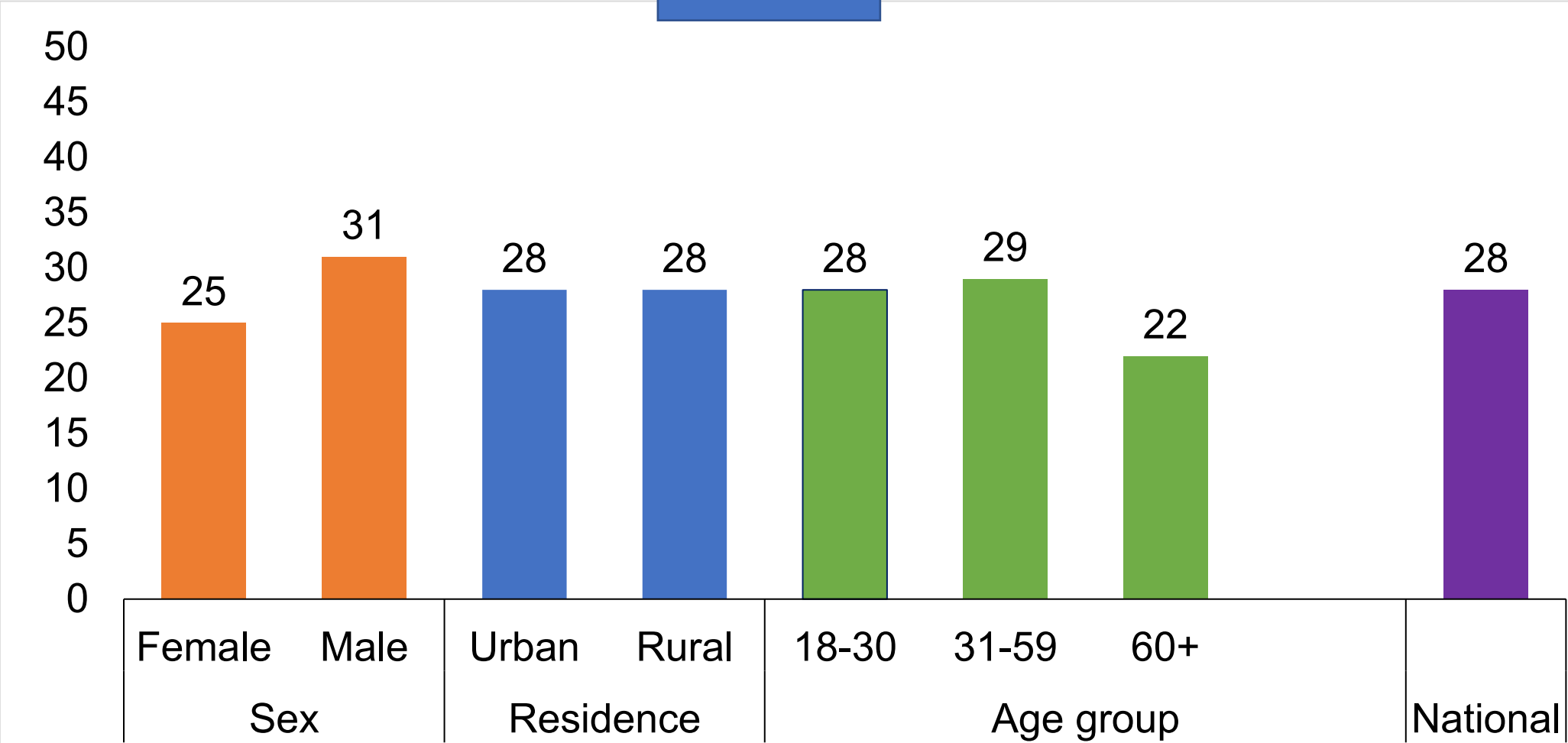
Prevalence of discrimination by Sub-region

National – 28%



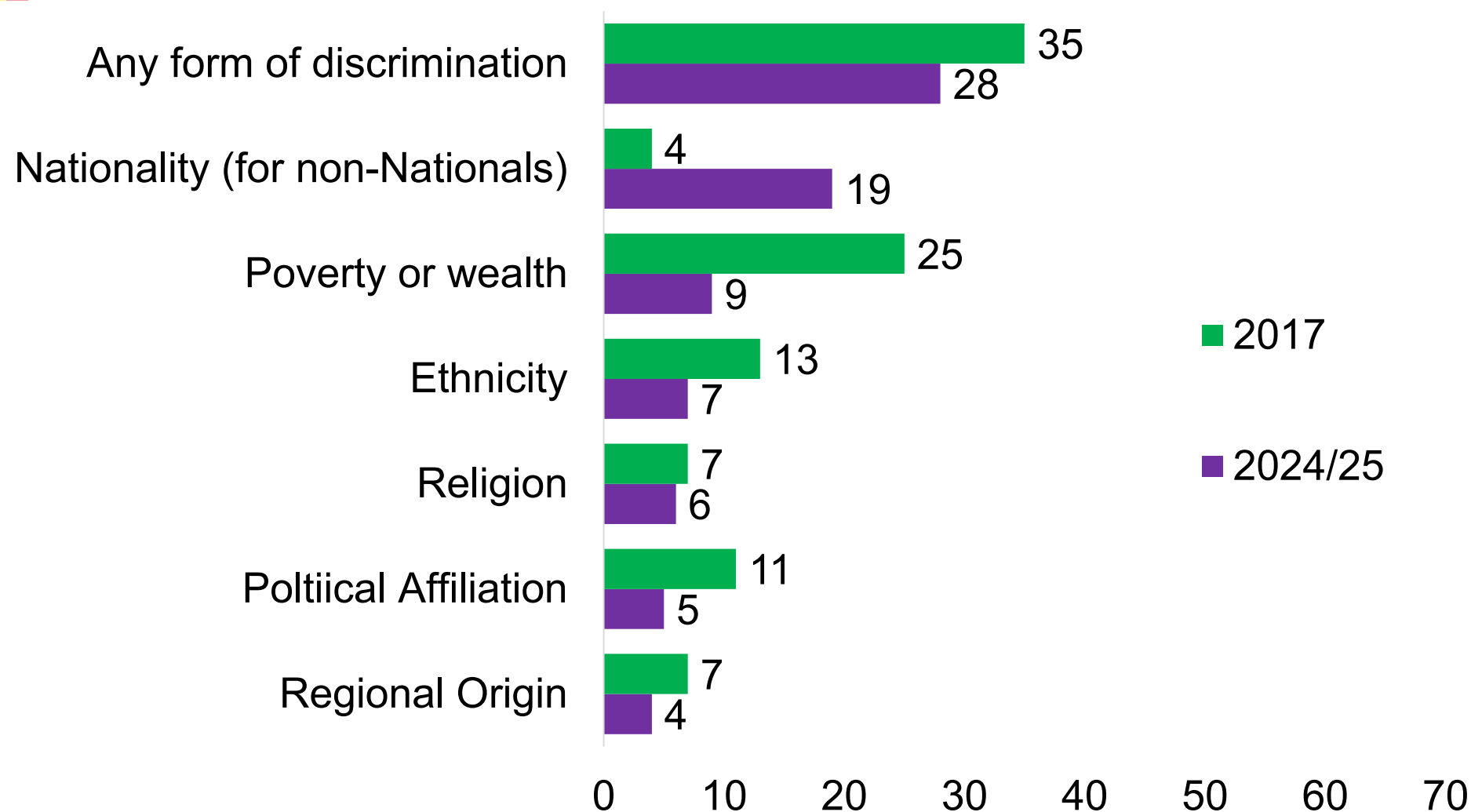
Prevalence of discrimination, (%)

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Qn
In the past 12 months, have you been a victim of discrimination?

Prevalence of discrimination due to ..., (%)

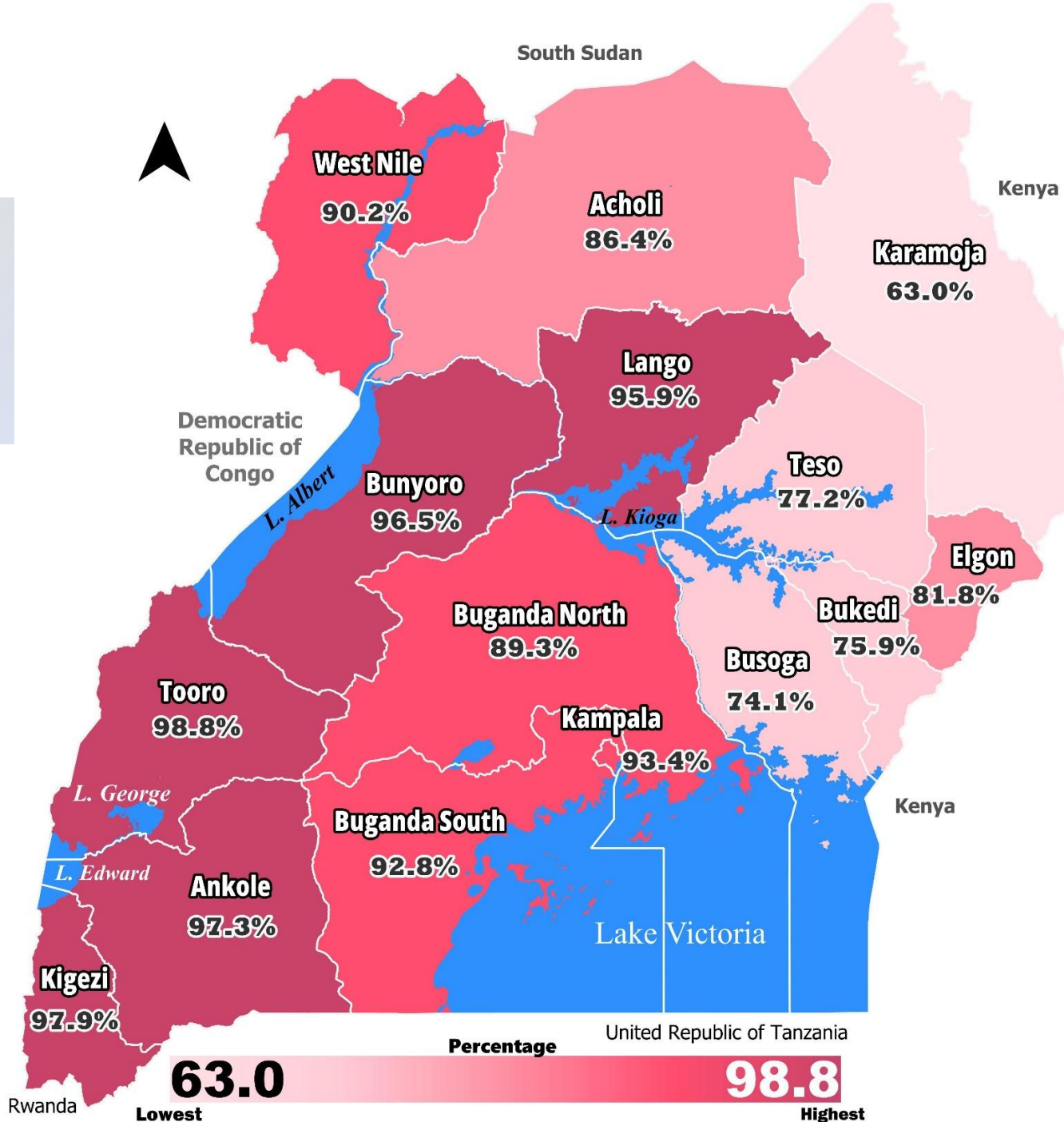


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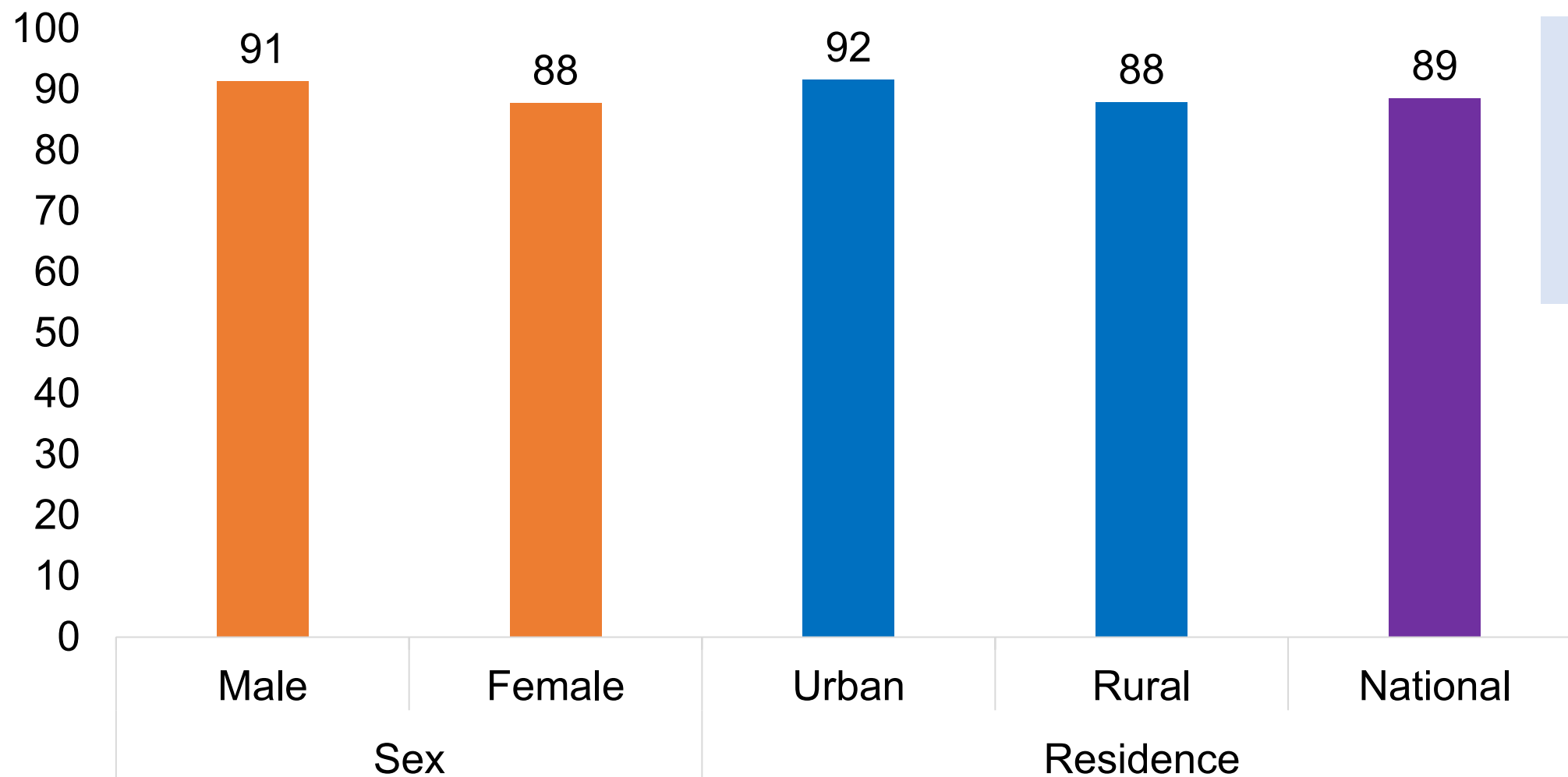
In the past 12 months, have you been victim of discrimination due to...?

Awareness of the right to seek justice by Sub-region, (%)

National – 89%

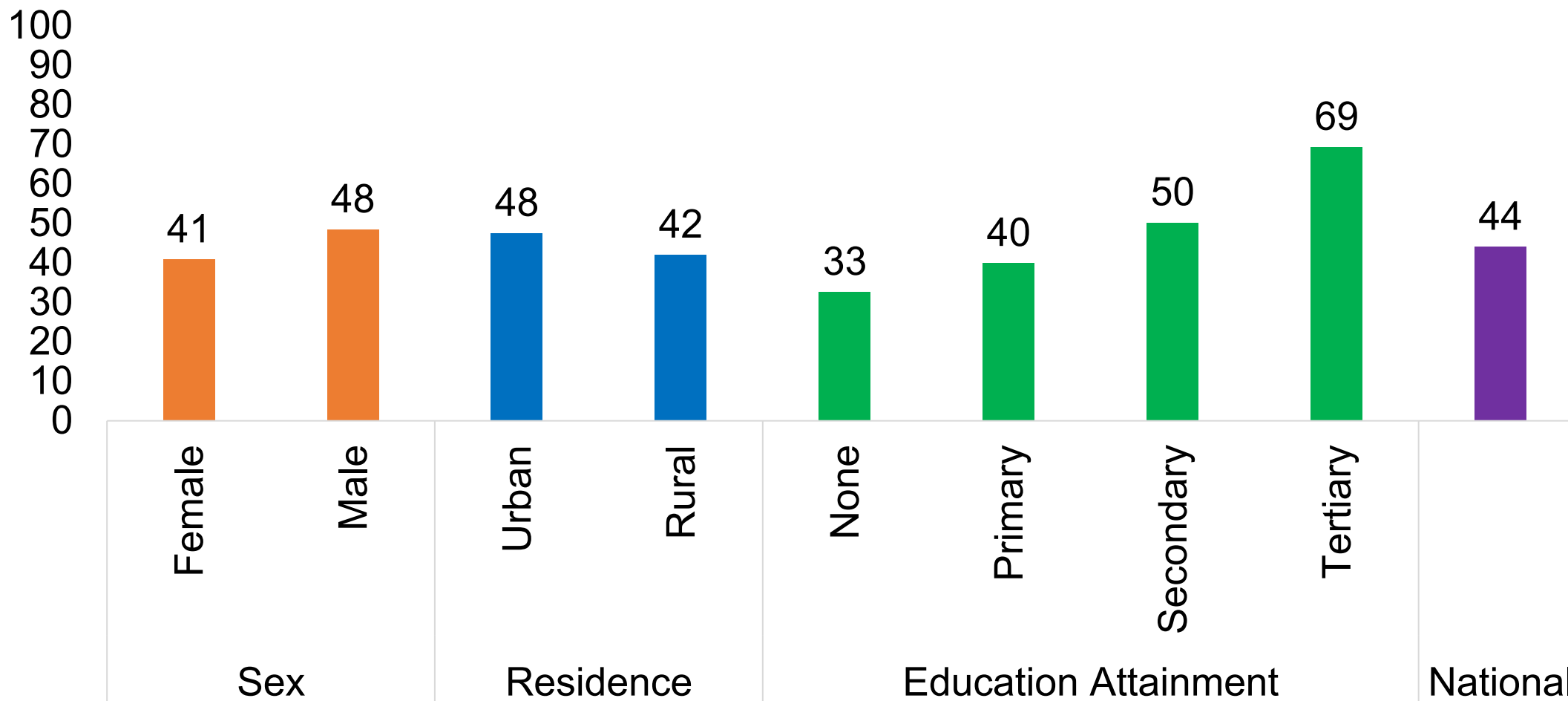


Awareness of the right to seek justice, (%)

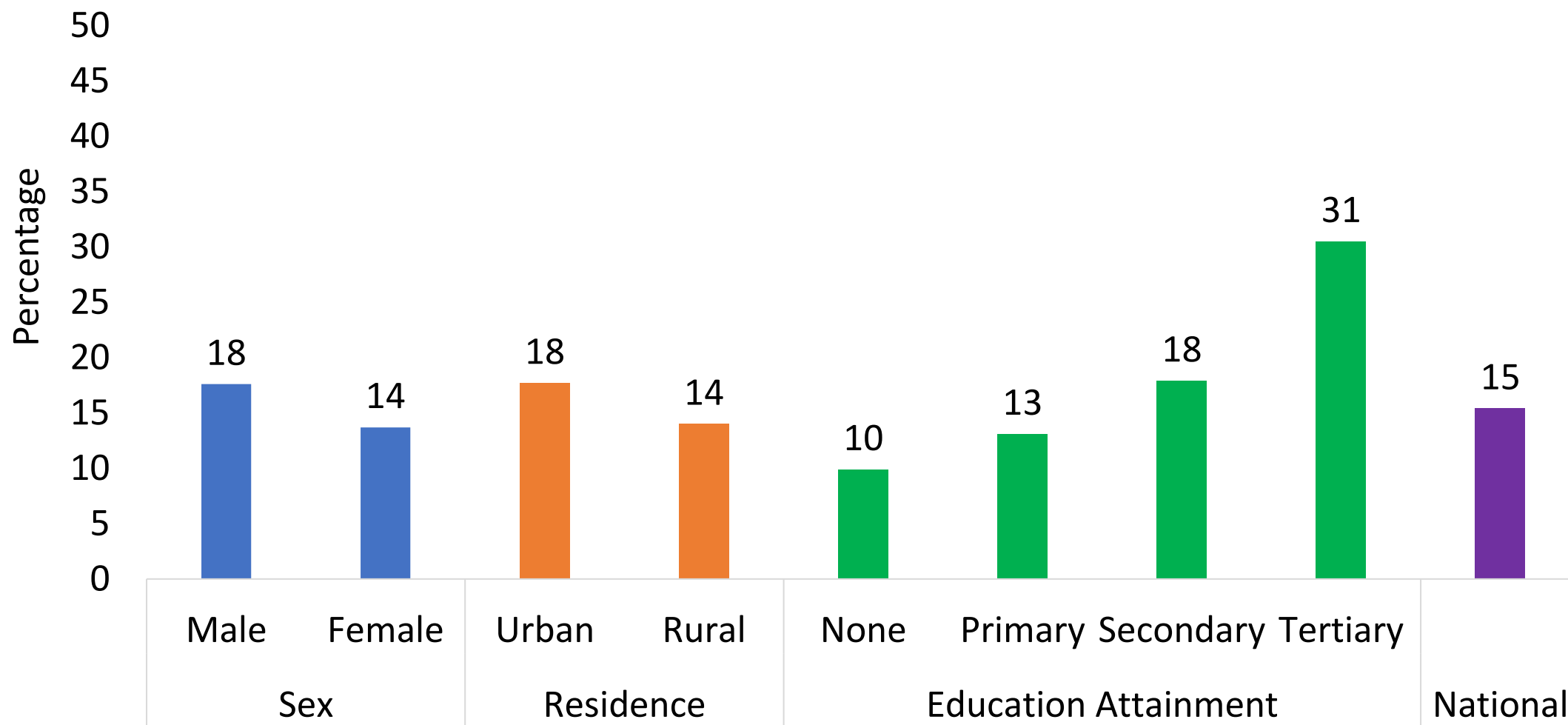


Qn.
Are you aware
that you have
the right to
seek for
Justice?

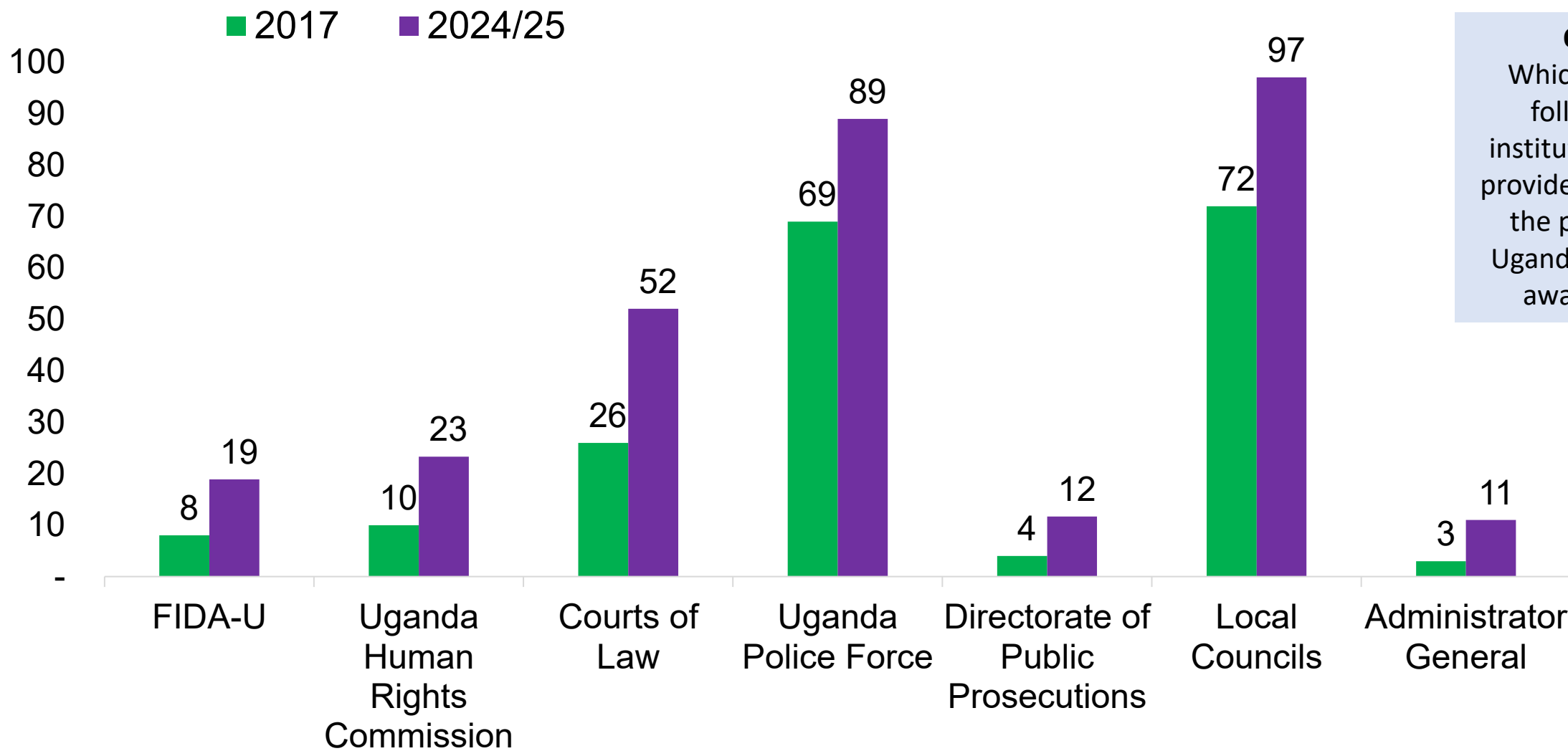
Awareness of Institutions where to acquire any legal services, (%)



Awareness of Institutions that offer free legal services within their sub county



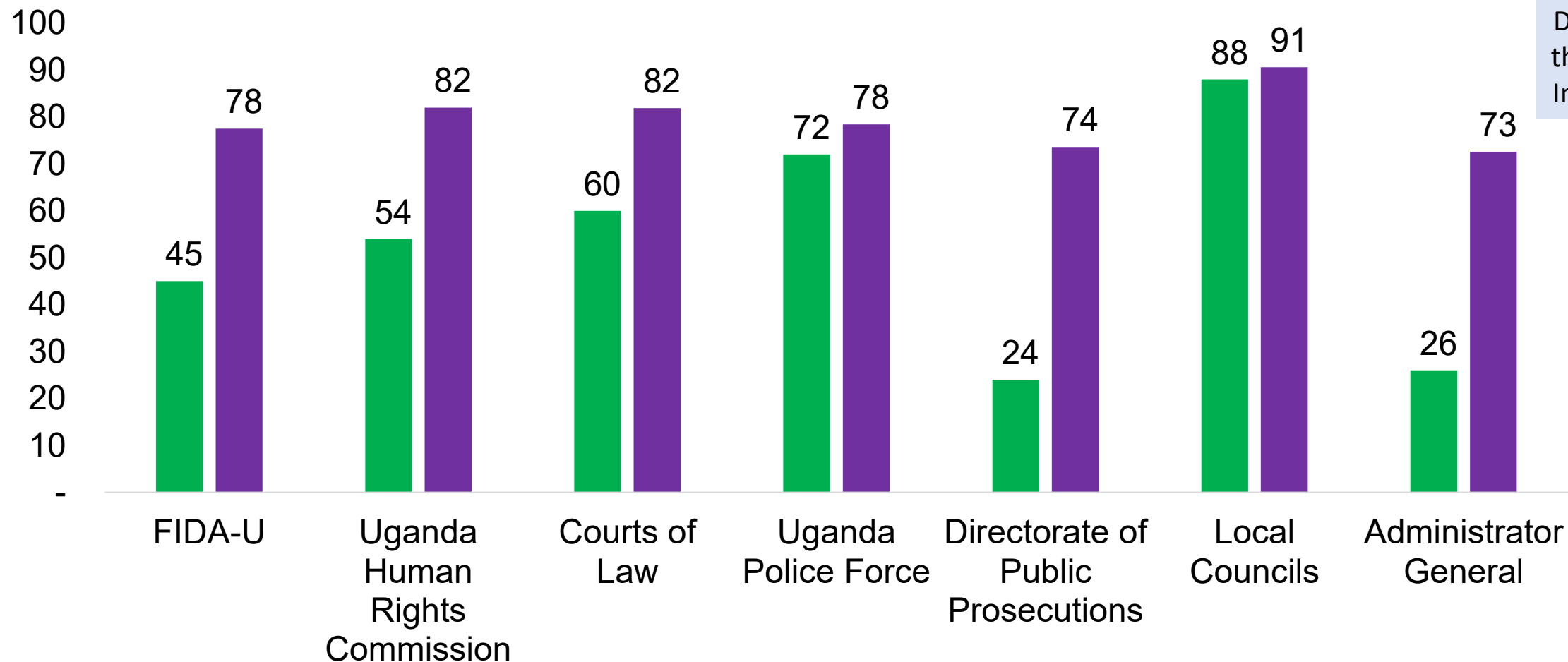
Awareness of Institutions that provide Justice to the public, (%)



QN:
Which of the following institutions that provide justice to the public of Uganda are you aware of ?

Trust in Justice Institutions, (%)

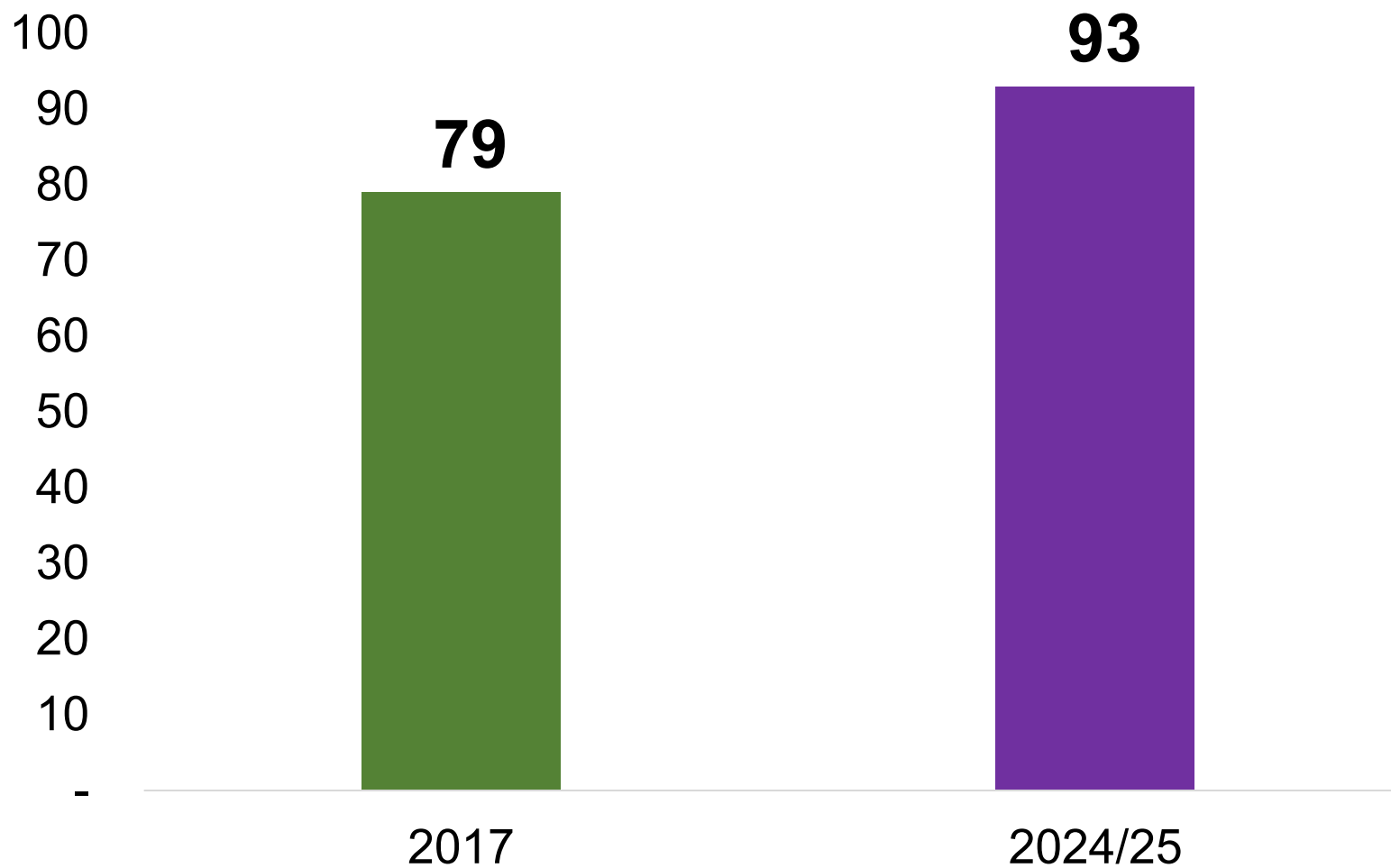
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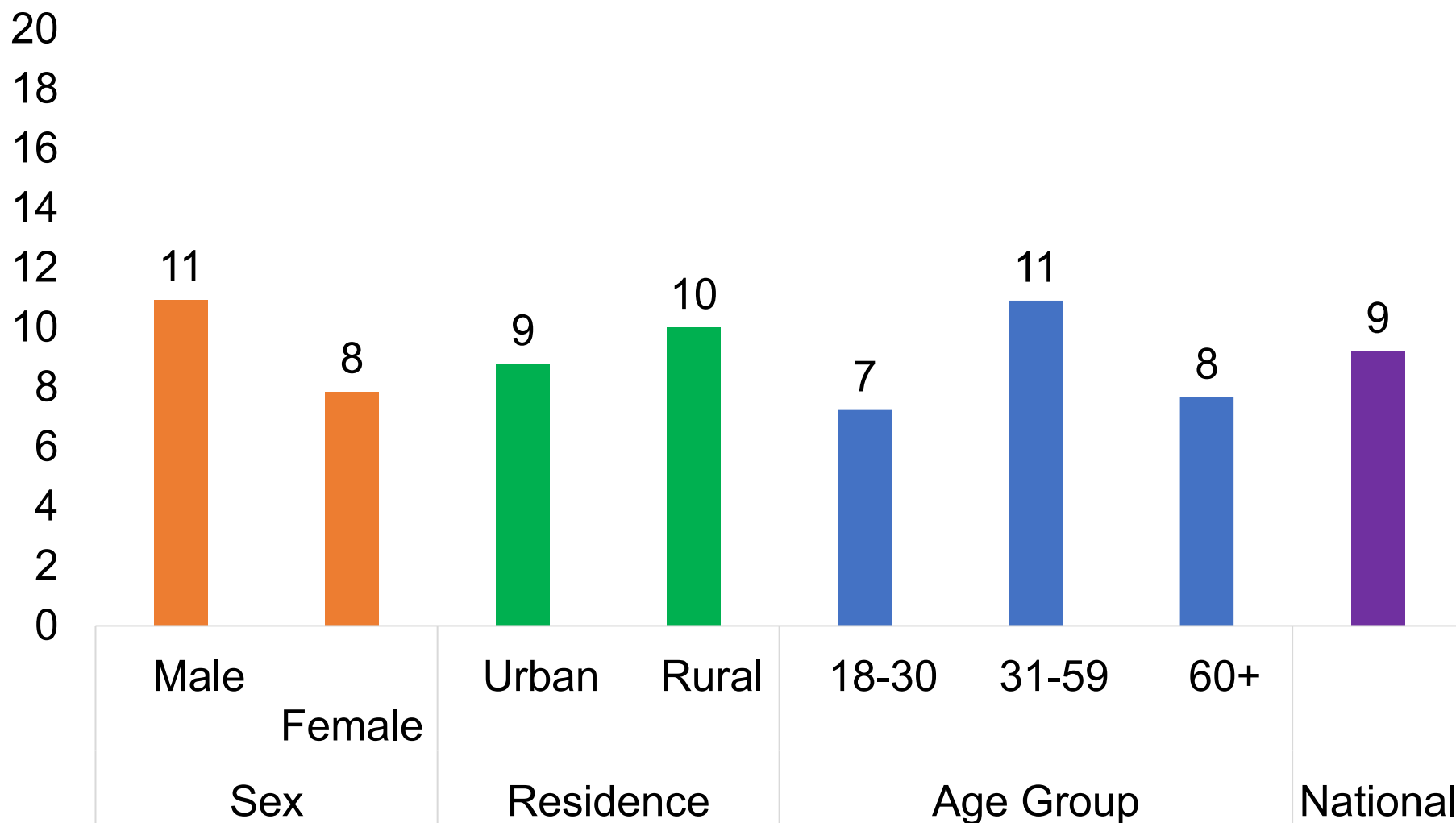
QN:

Do you trust these Justice Institutions?

Trust in any Justice System, (%)

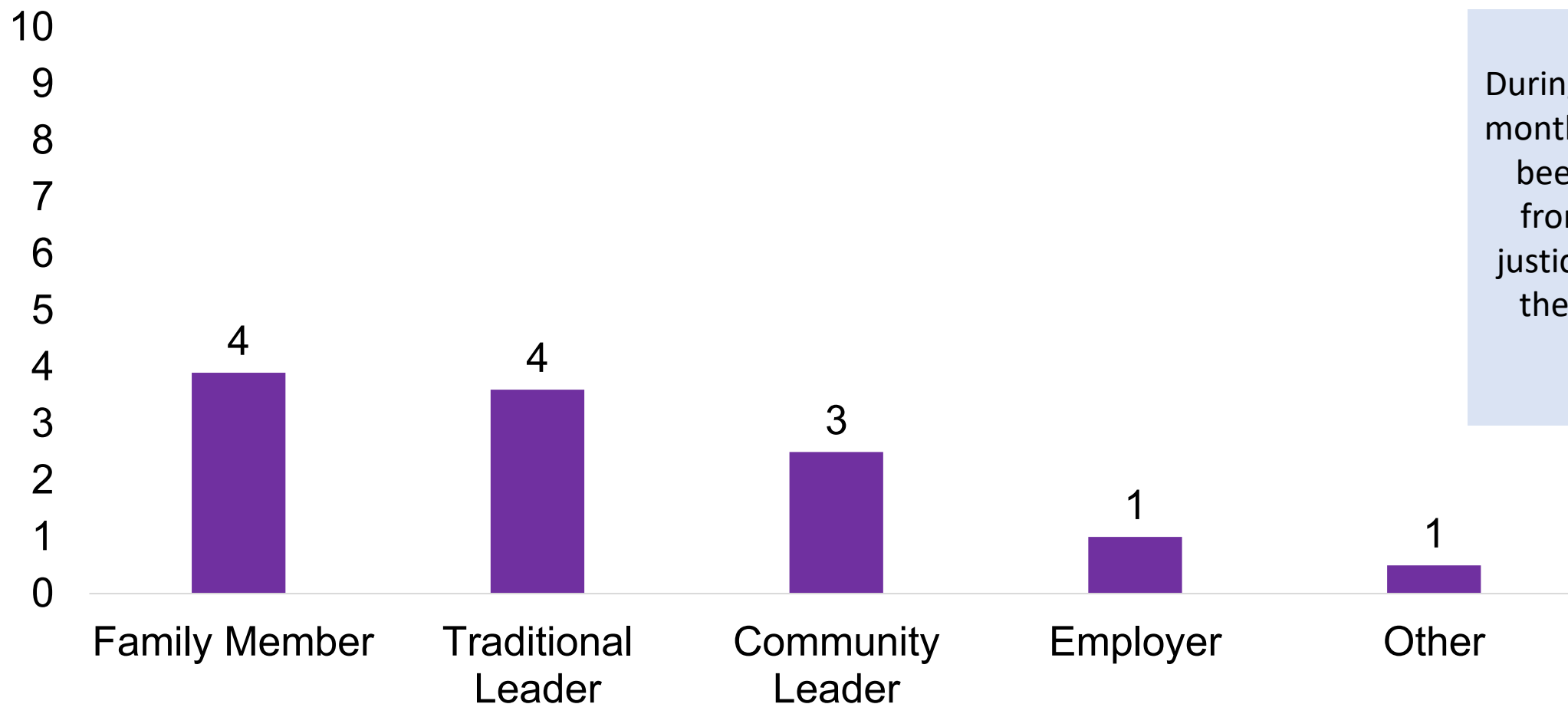


Coercion from seeking Justice, (%)



QN:
During the last 12 months, have you been coerced from seeking justice by any of the following [...]?

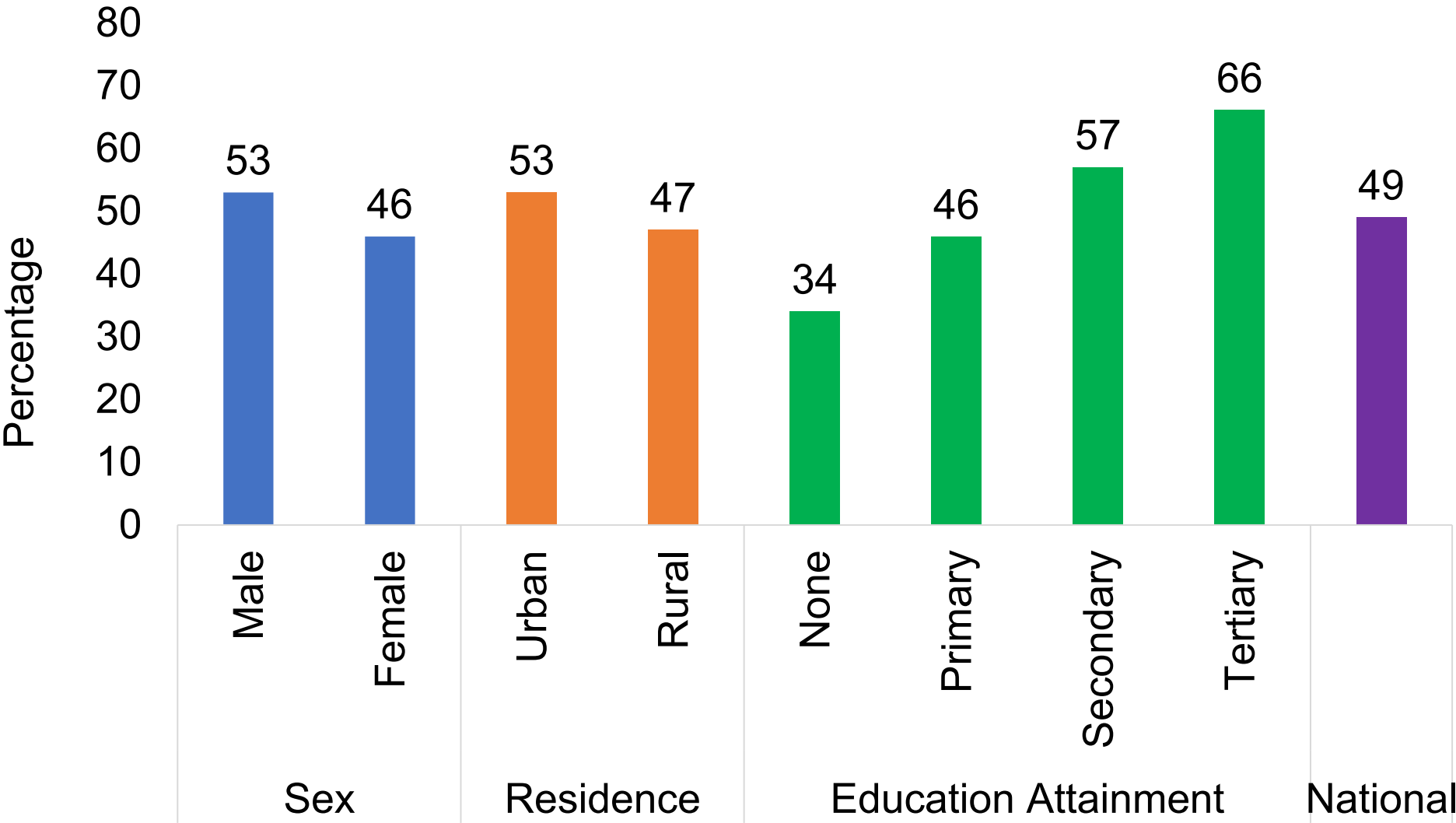
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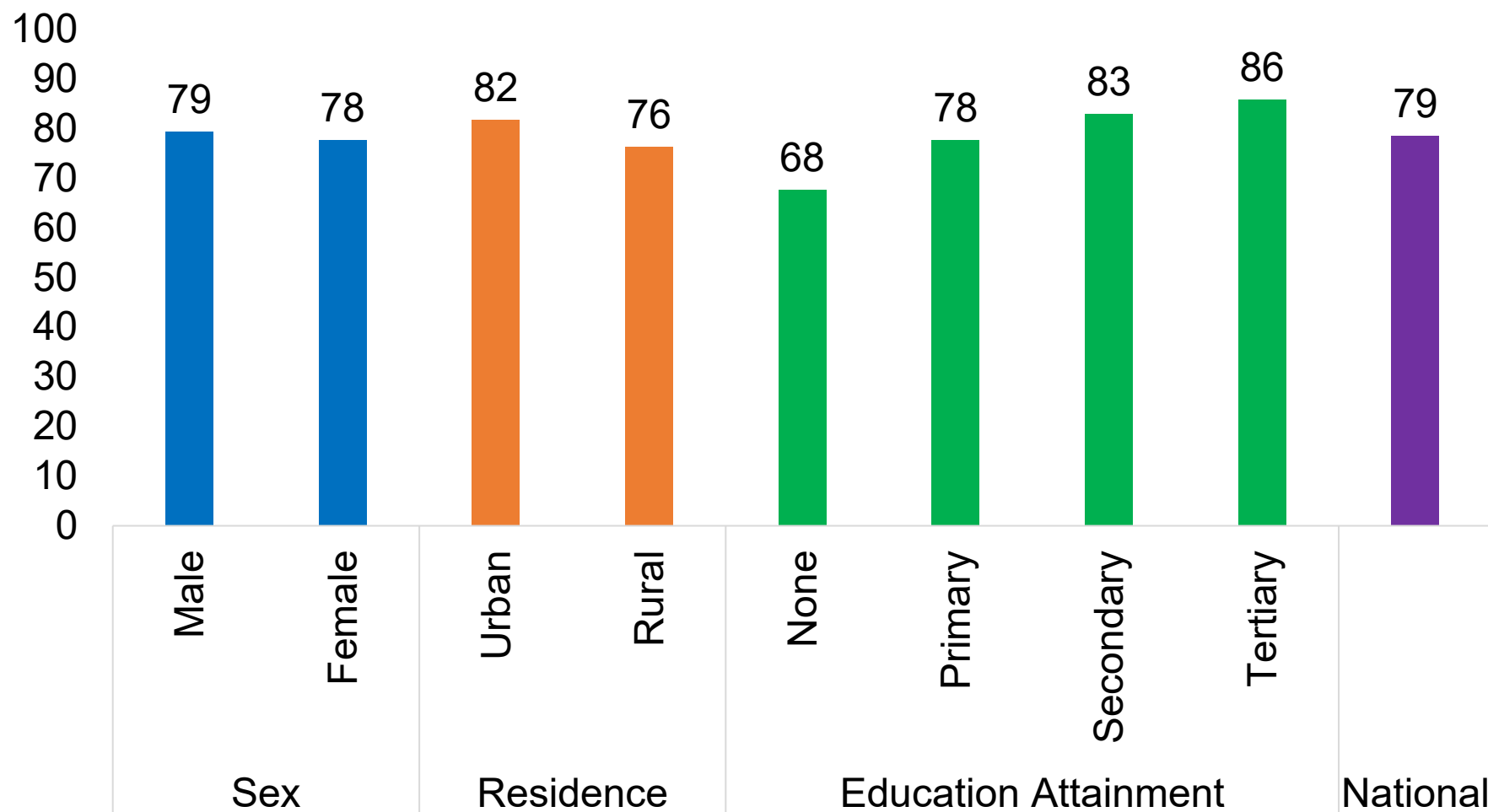
**Others include; Court, pastor, teacher*

Knowledge of patriotism programs, (%)



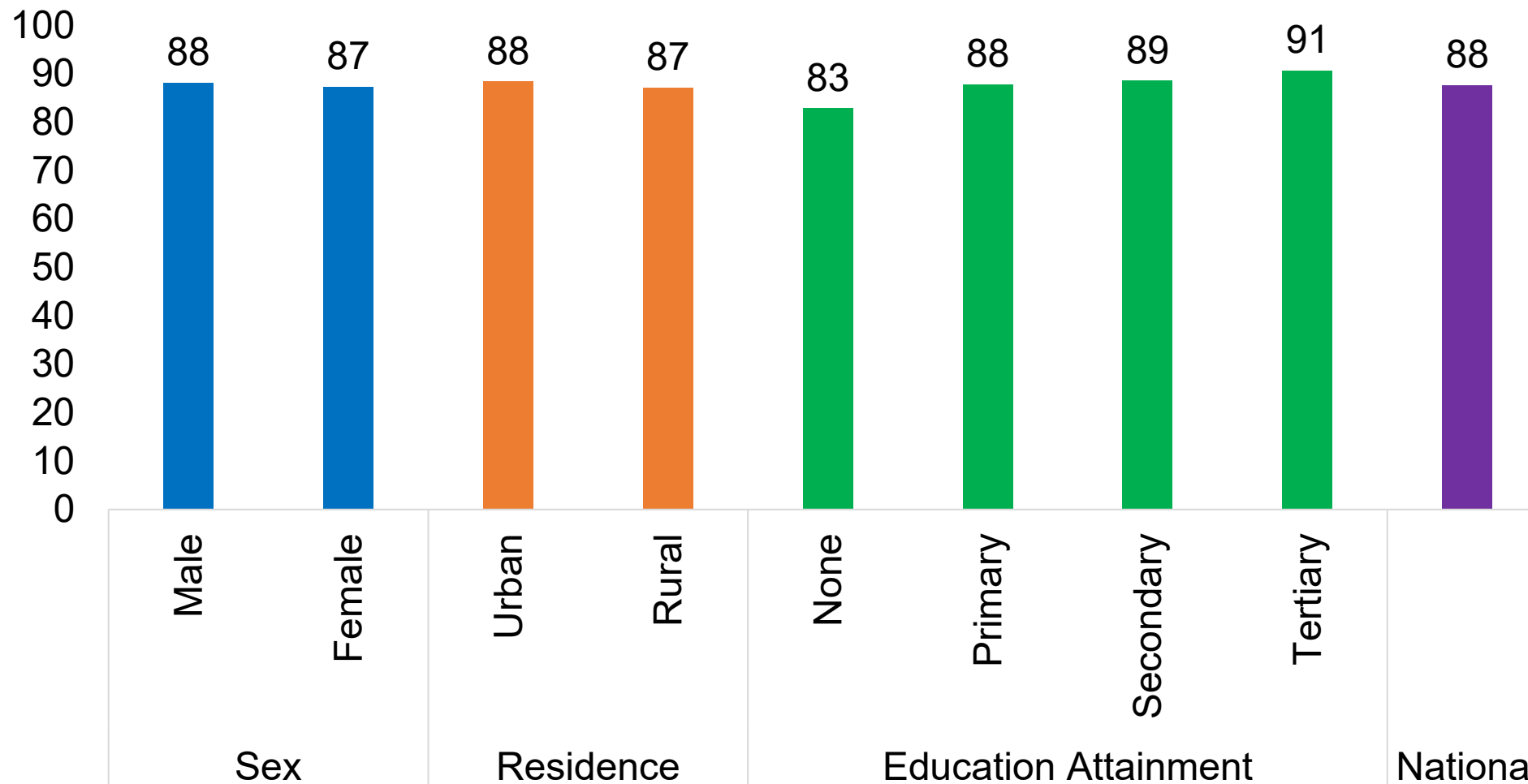
QN:
Have you ever heard of any patriotism program in your District or City

Believe Patriotism is important in improving livelihoods, (%)



QN:
Do you believe patriotism is important in improving the livelihoods of Ugandans?

Believe patriotism can help fight and reduce corruption, (%)



QN:
In your view, do you think patriotism can help fight and reduce corruption in Uganda?

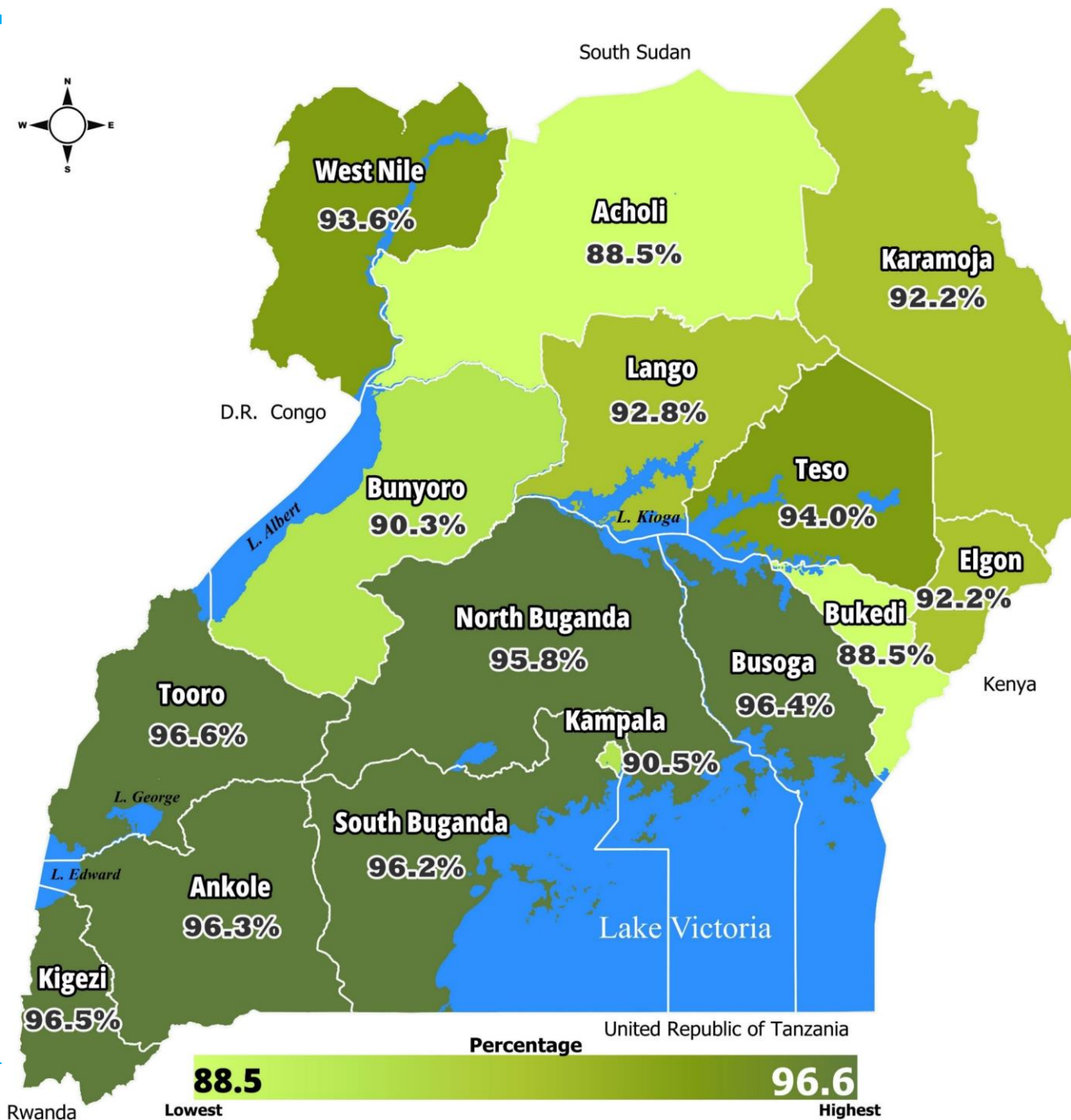
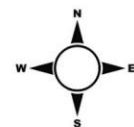
Democracy & Electoral Systems

- Awareness of Right to Vote
- Voter Registration
- Voter Sensitization

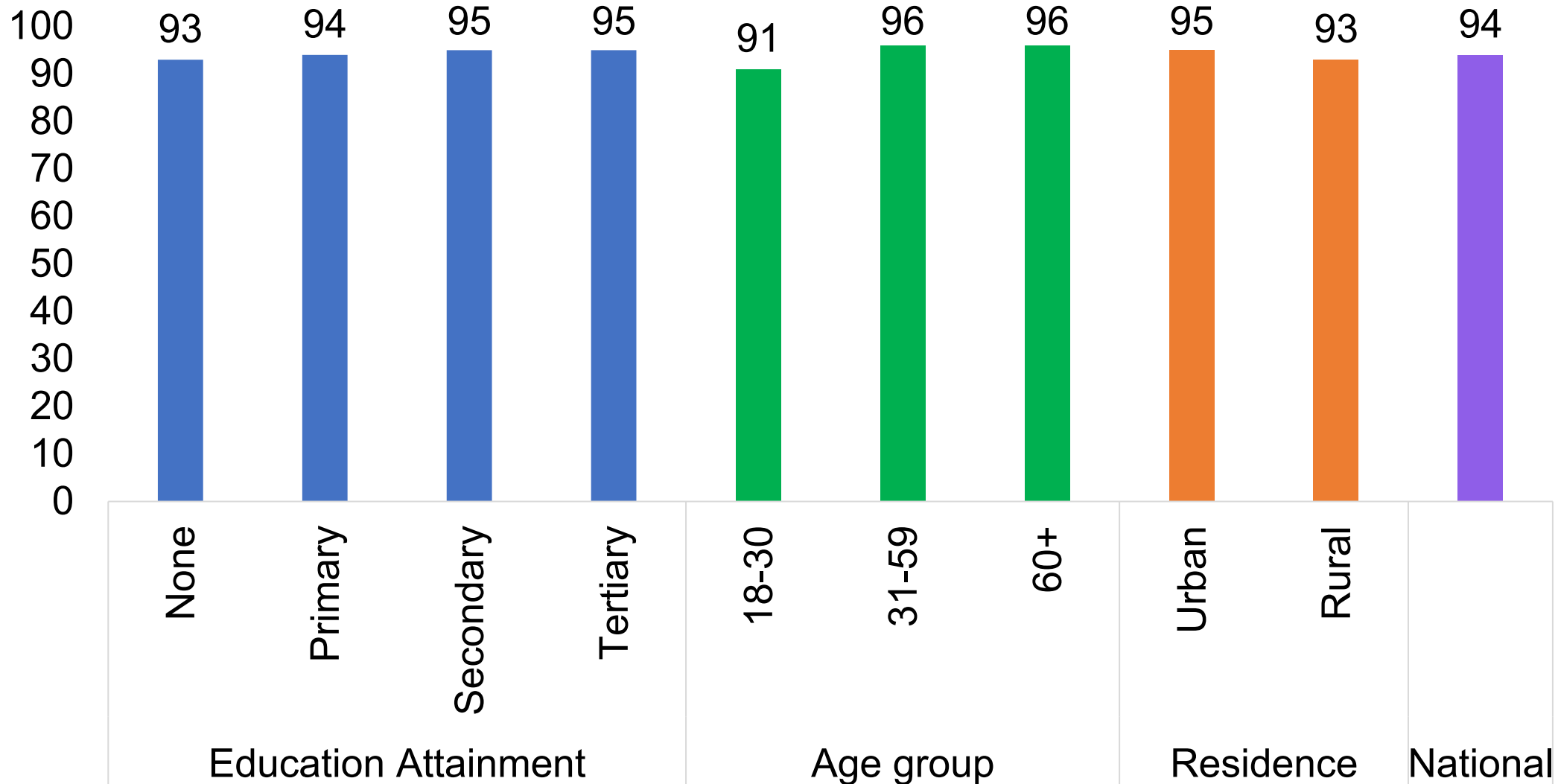


Awareness of the right to vote by Sub-region, (%)

National – 94%

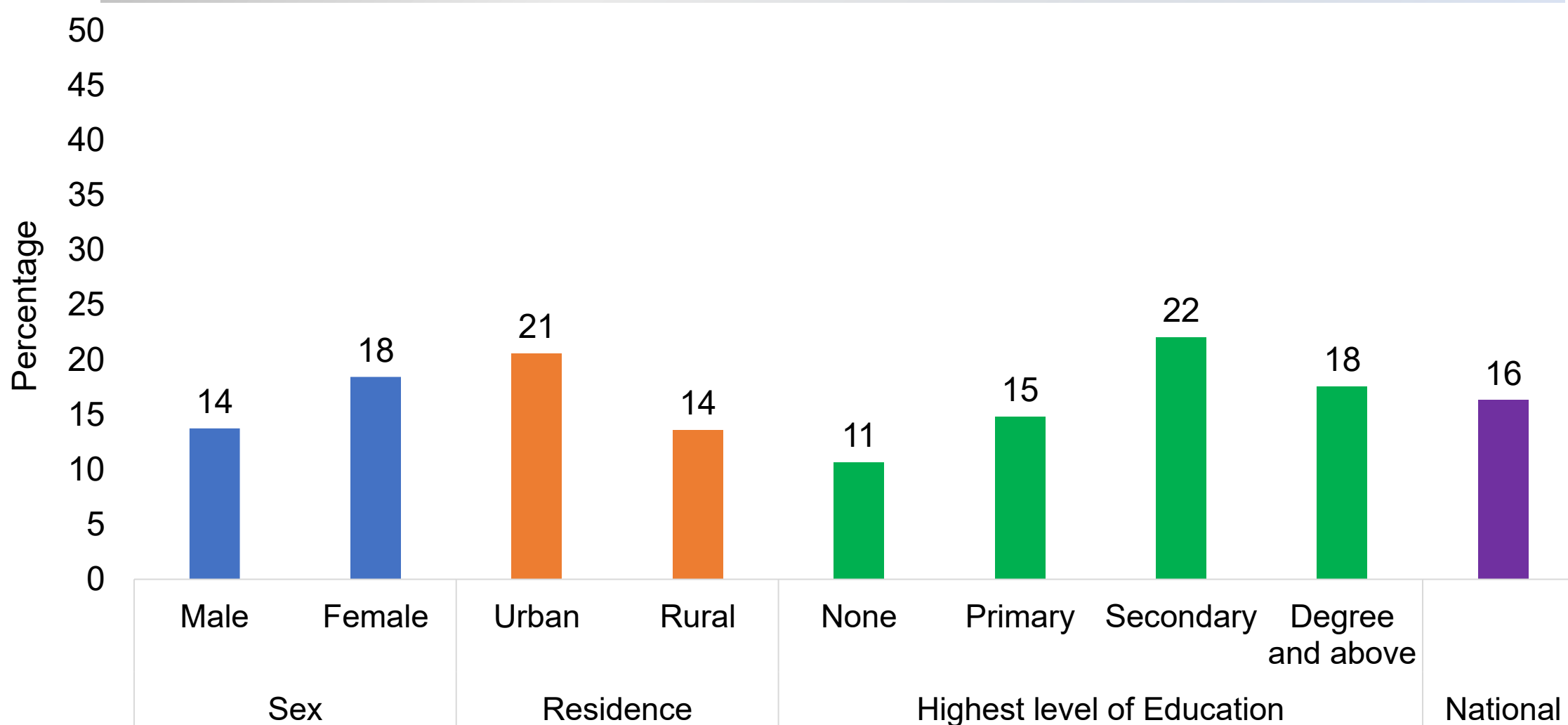


Awareness of the right to vote, (%)

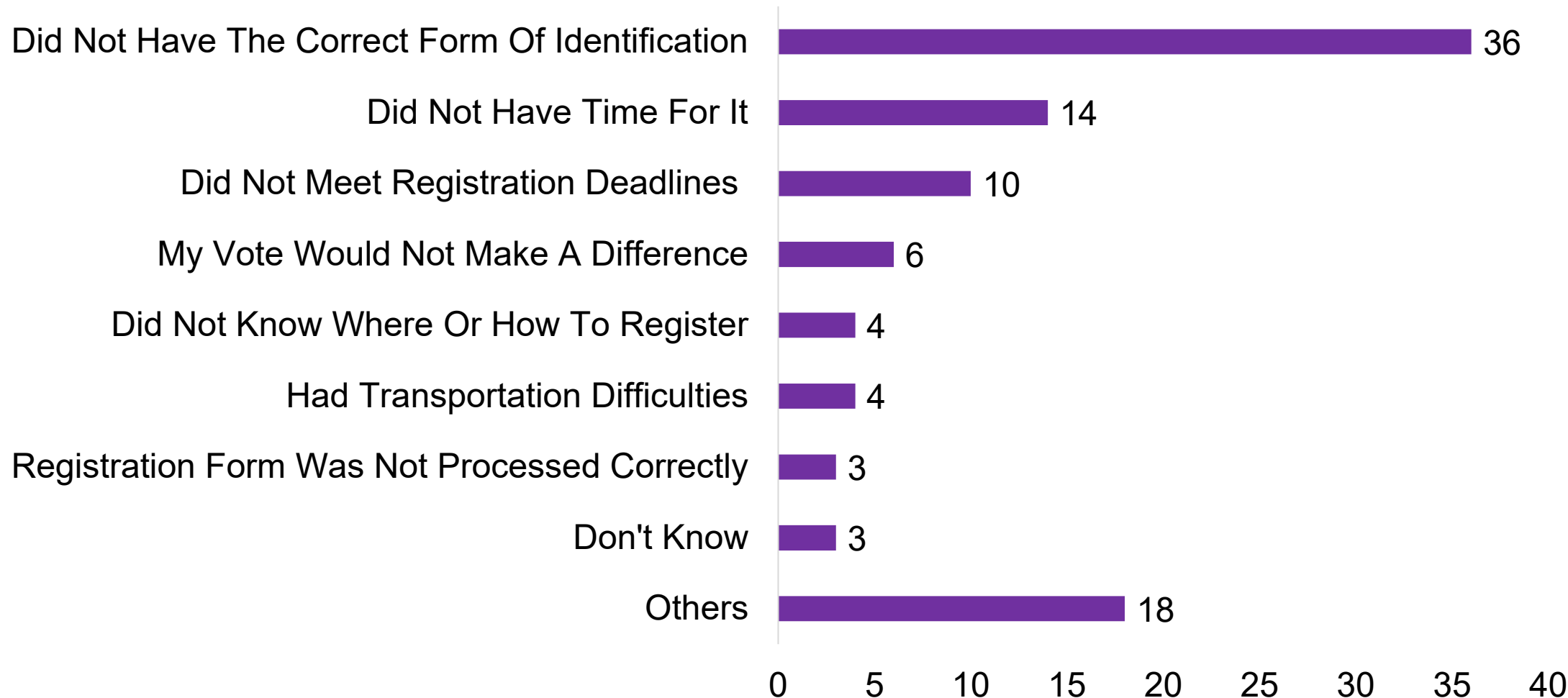


QN:
Do you
know that
you have a
right to
vote?

Persons who did not register to vote in the 2021 general elections, (%)

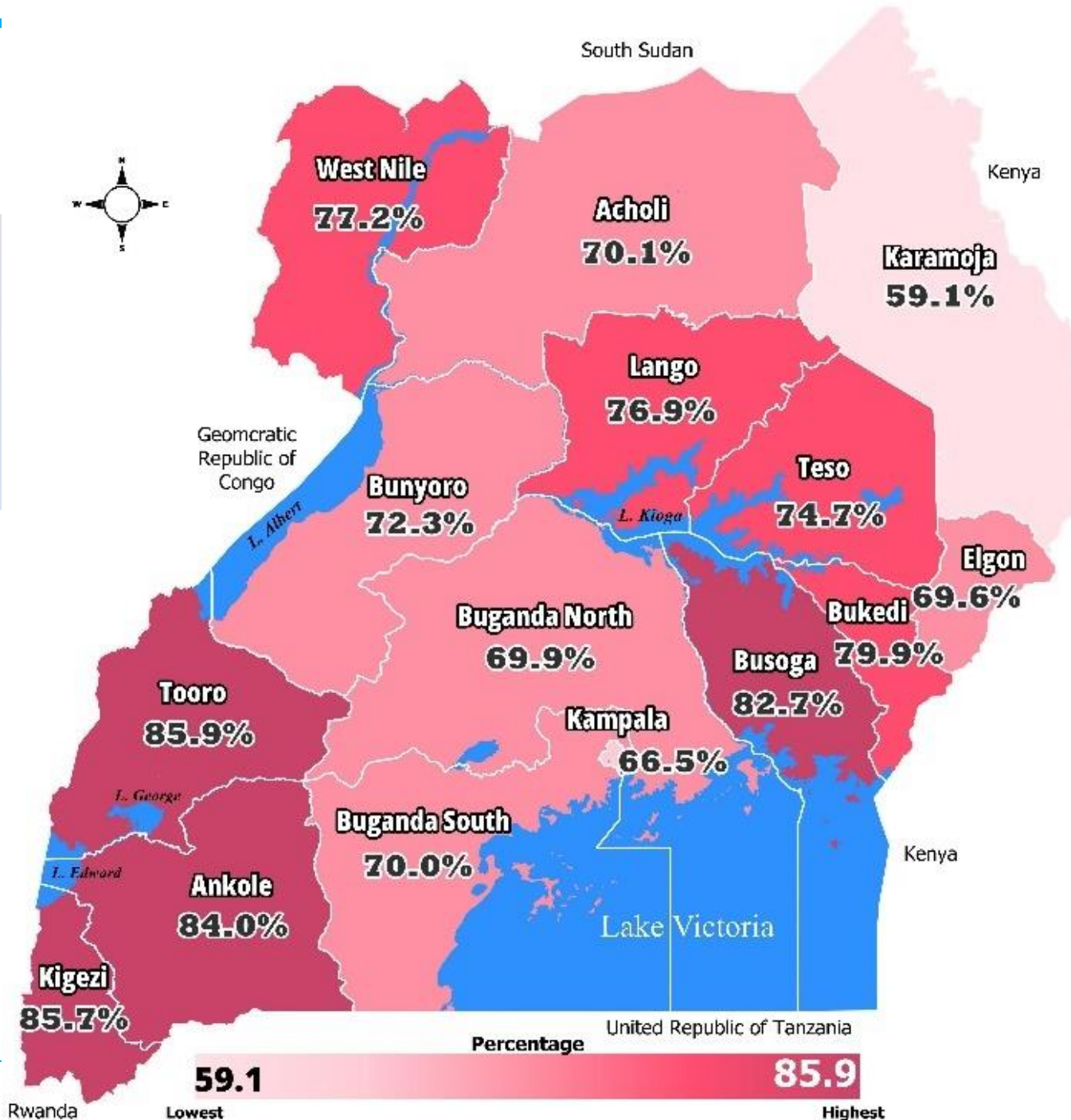


For those who were 18 years : Reasons given for not registering to vote in the 2021 general elections, (%)



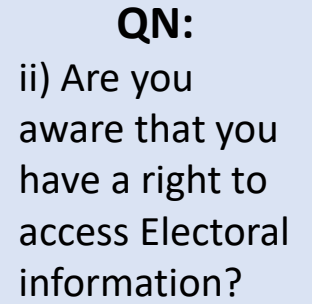
Ability to check voters' register during previous General elections by Sub-region, (%)

National – 75%



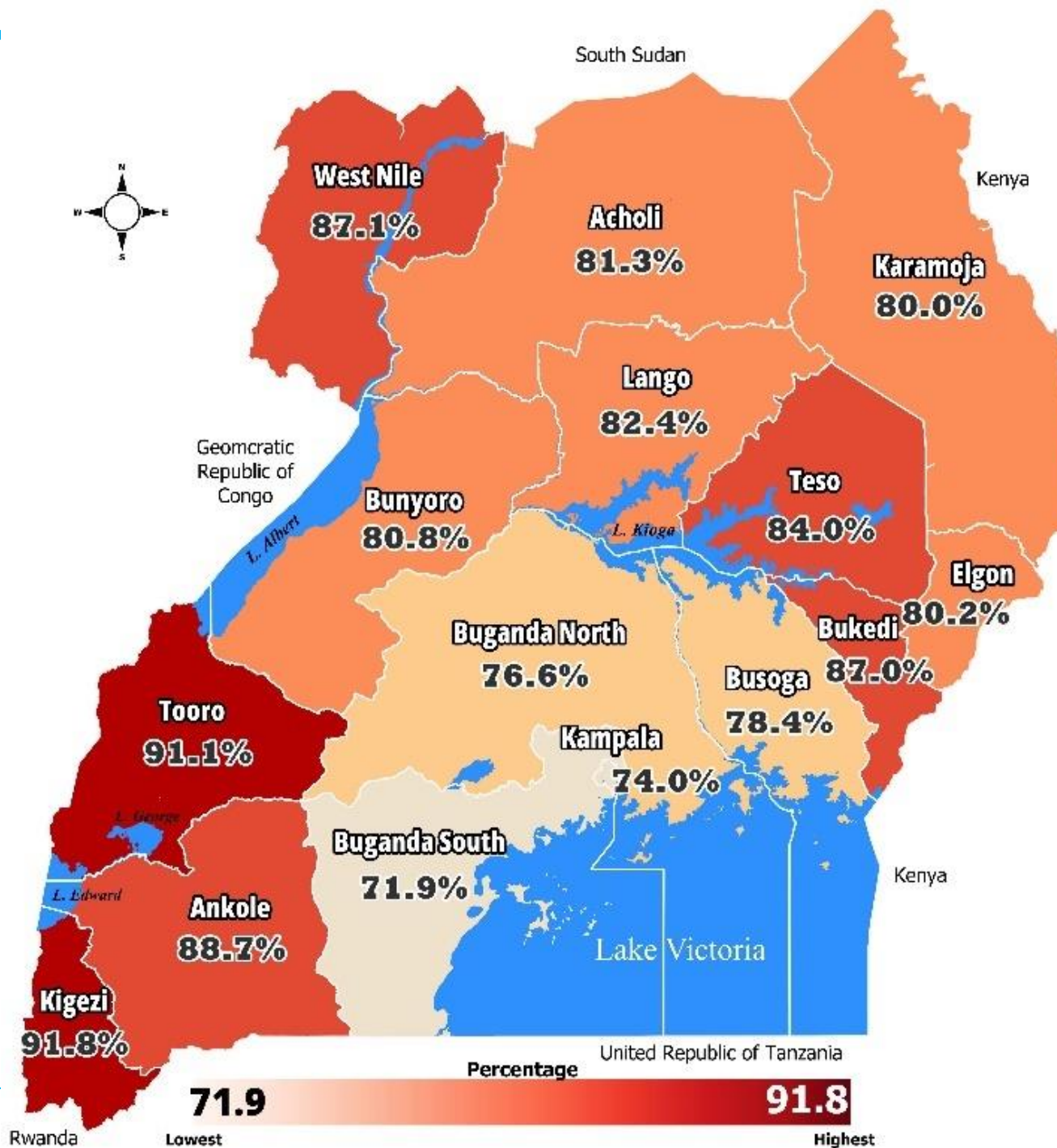
QN:
i) During the last elections, were you able to check for your name in the Voters' register?

National – 74%



Sensitization on how to register during 2021 General elections by Sub-region, (%)

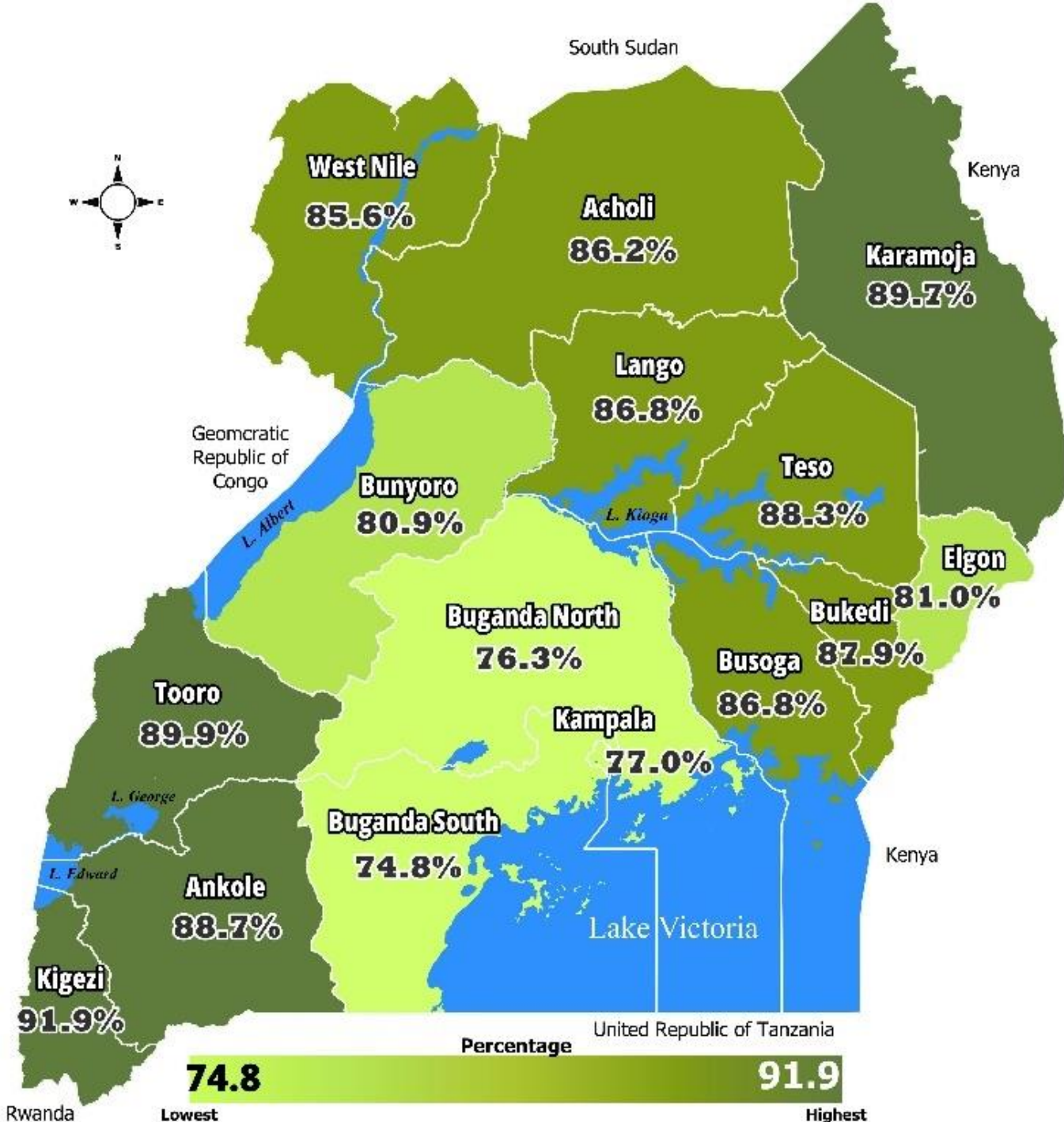
National - 81%



QN:
iii) Were you sensitized on how to register?

Informed how to mark the ballot paper during 2021 General elections by Sub-region, (%)

National - 83%



QN:
 iv) Were you informed on how to mark the ballot paper?

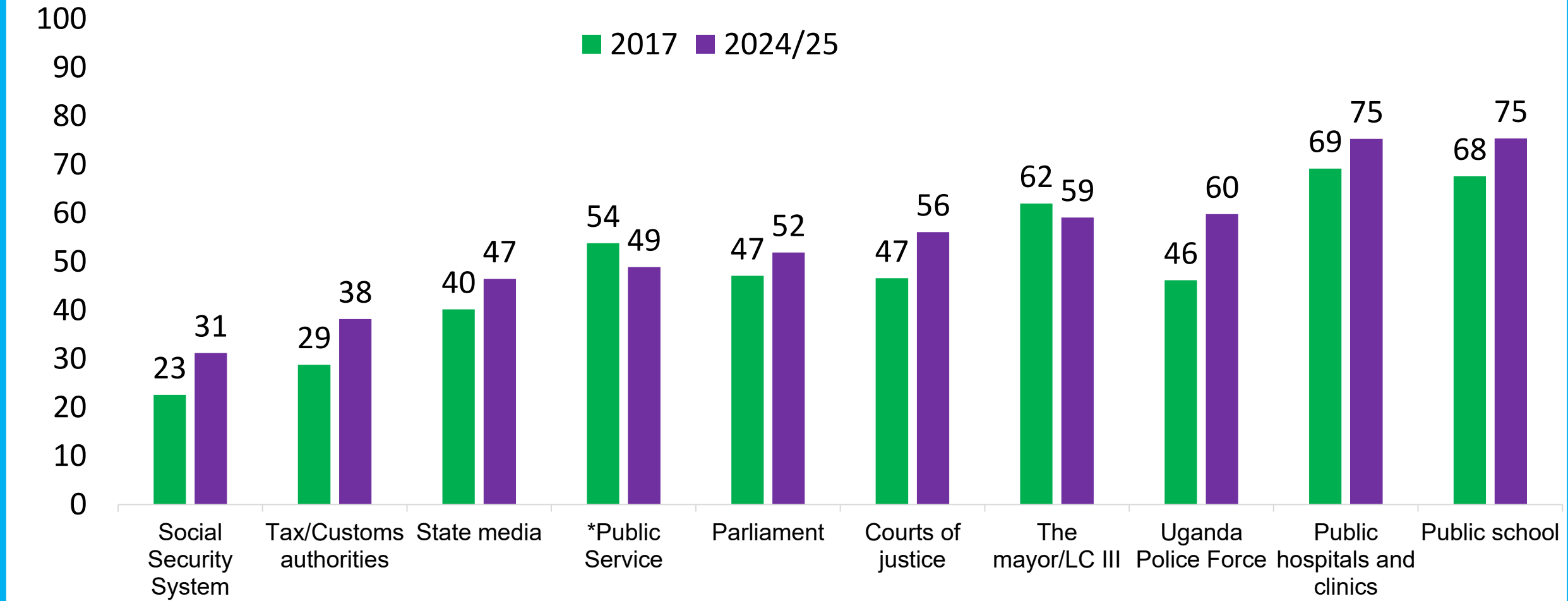
Key Findings

Transparency & Accountability

- Trust in Public Institutions
- Response to community concerns
- Delivery of local services
- Corruption and Bribery

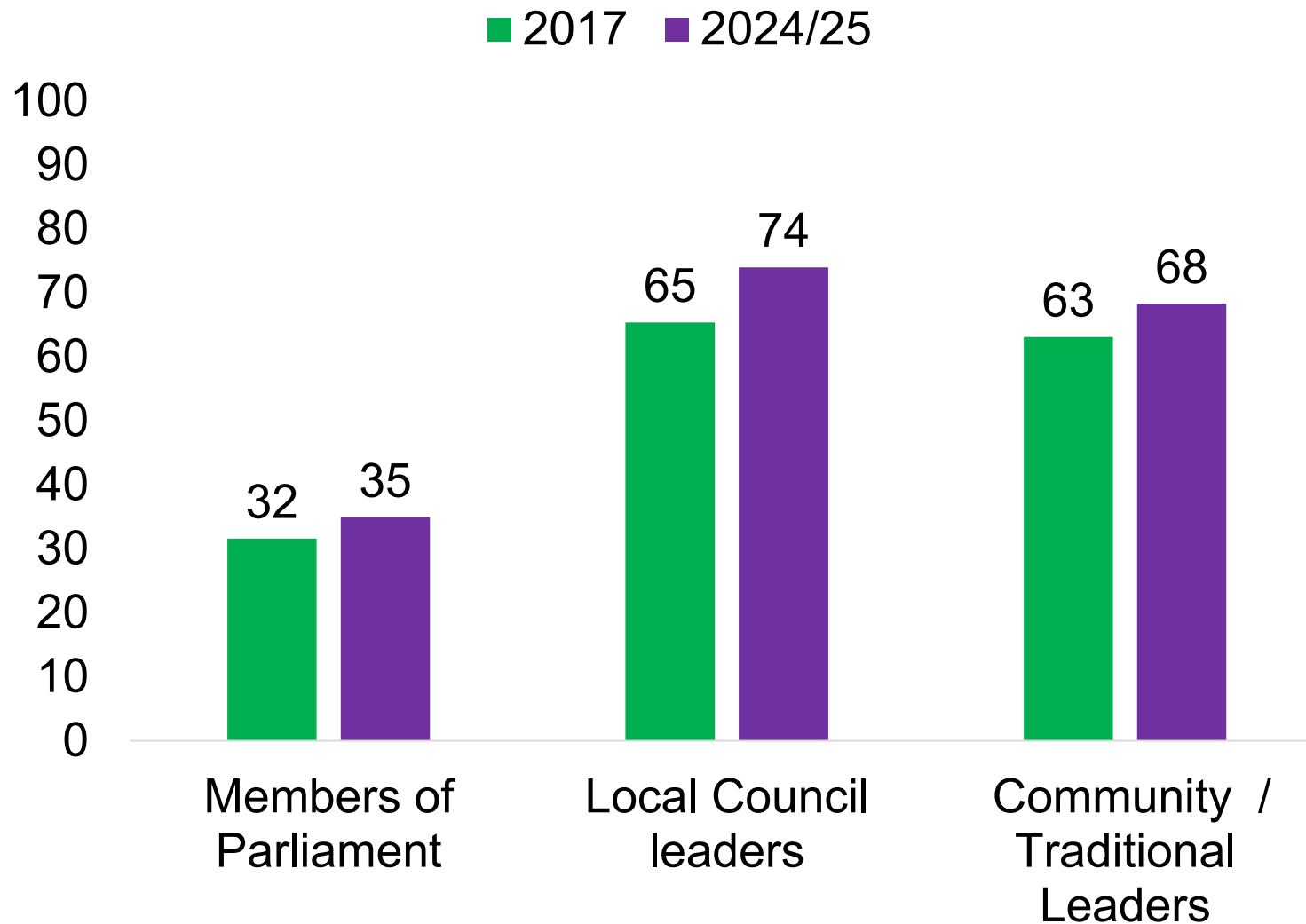


Trust in public institutions, (%)



*Public service includes MDAs (General Government) not listed

Perceptions that leaders listen to the people, (%)



Qn:

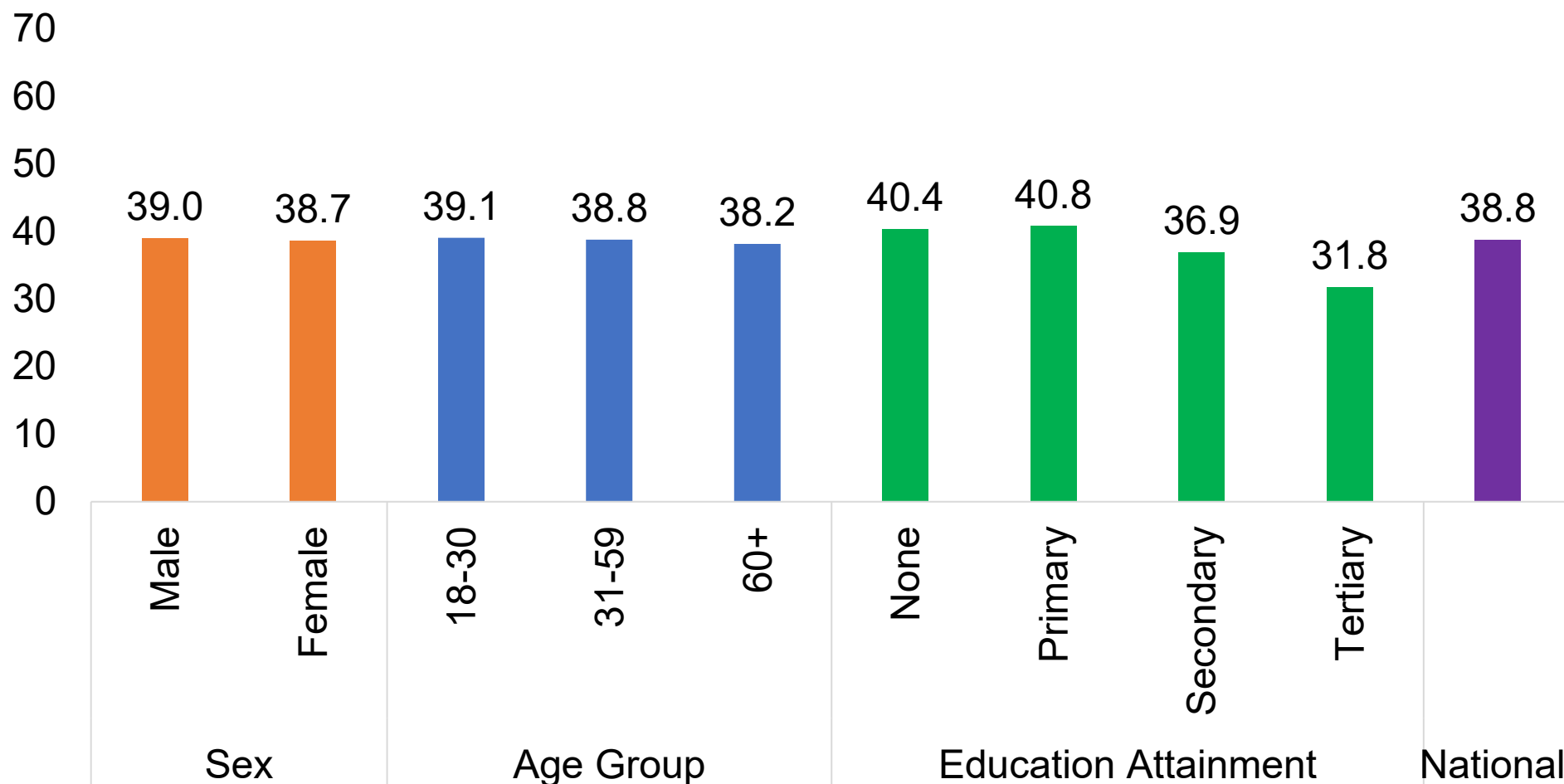
How often do you think the following Leaders [...] listen to you?

1. Never
2. Rarely
3. Often
4. Always
5. Don't Know

Note: includes respondents that reported Aways/Often

Belief that politicians respond to people's concerns and needs, (%)

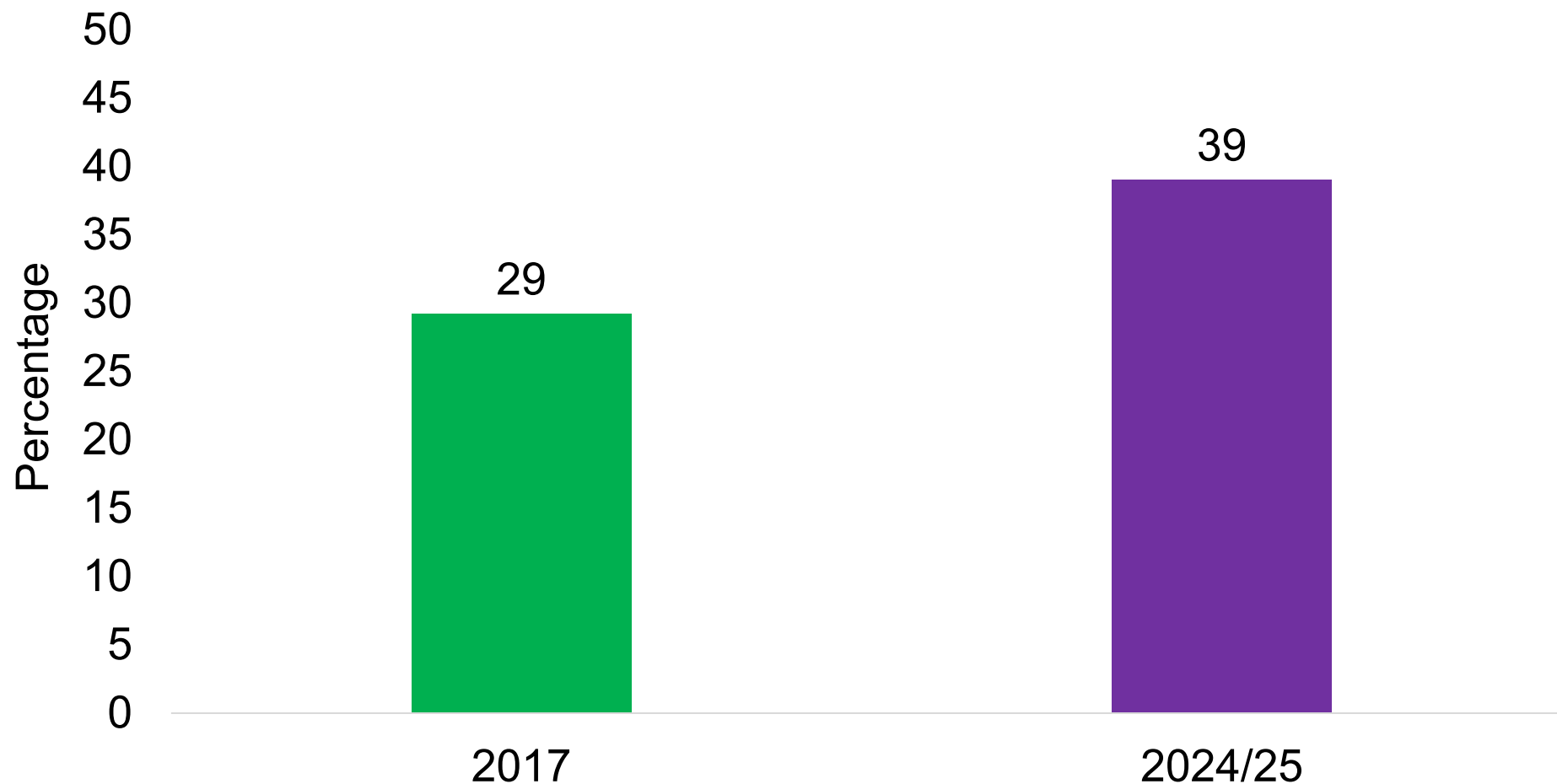
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QN:
Do you think that politicians (such as political party leaders) respond to the population's concerns and needs?

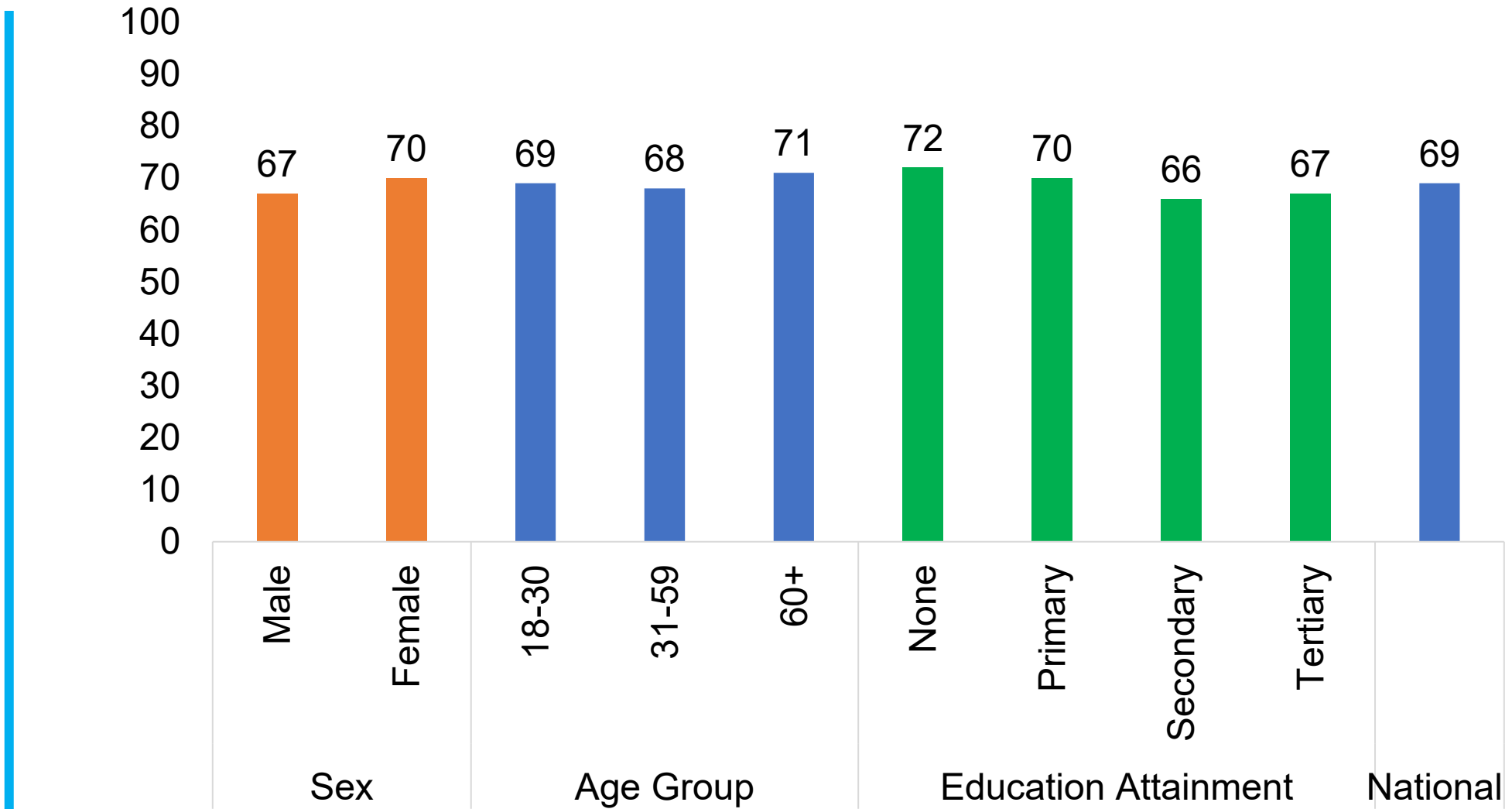
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Belief that Local Authorities deliver services well, (%)

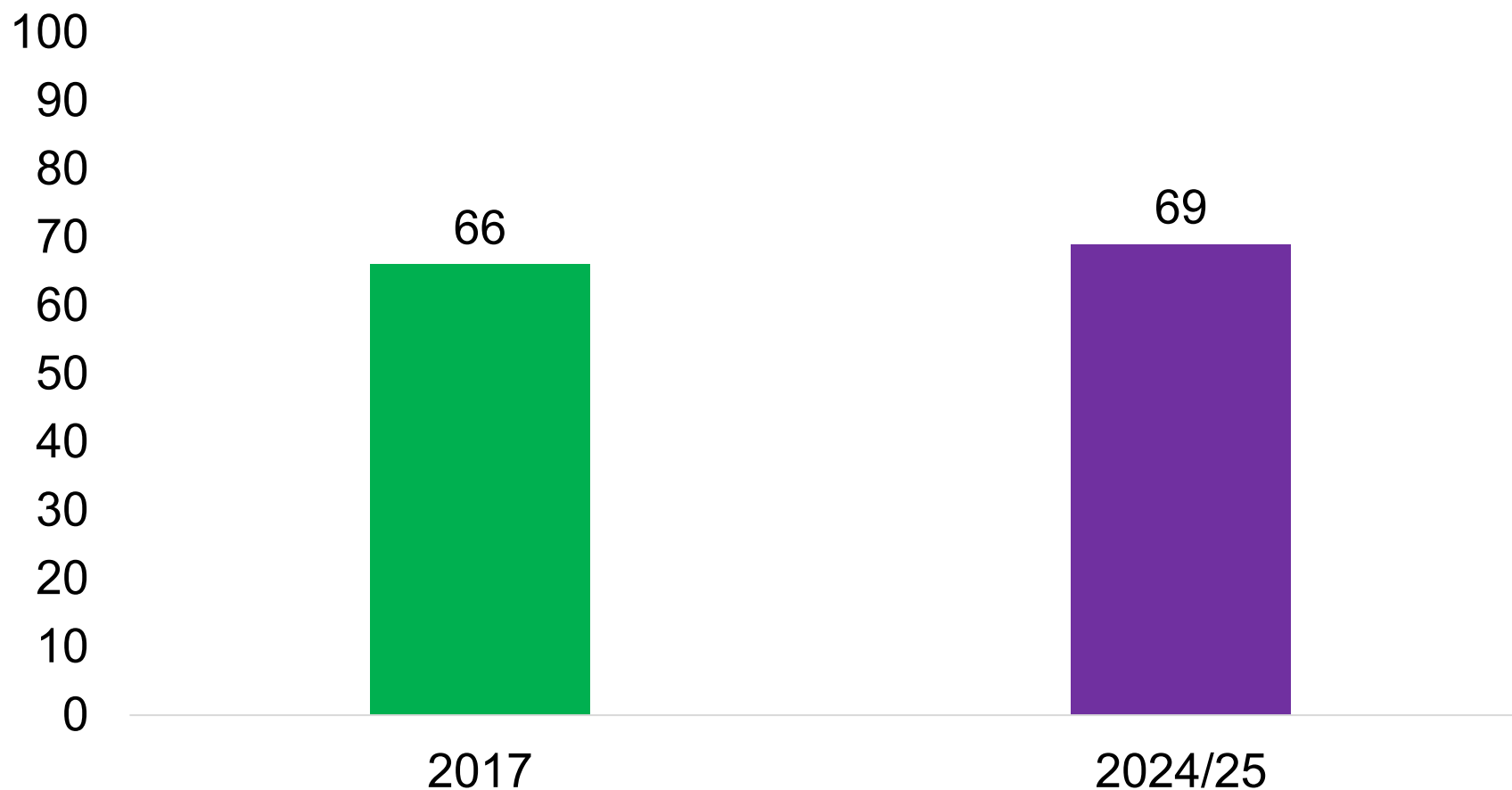


QN:
 How well do you think your local authority is handling the following:
 C = Delivering local services

1. Very badly
2. Badly
3. Well
4. Very well

Note: Results include respondents that reported “Well” or “Very well”

Belief that Local Authorities deliver services well, (%)



QN:

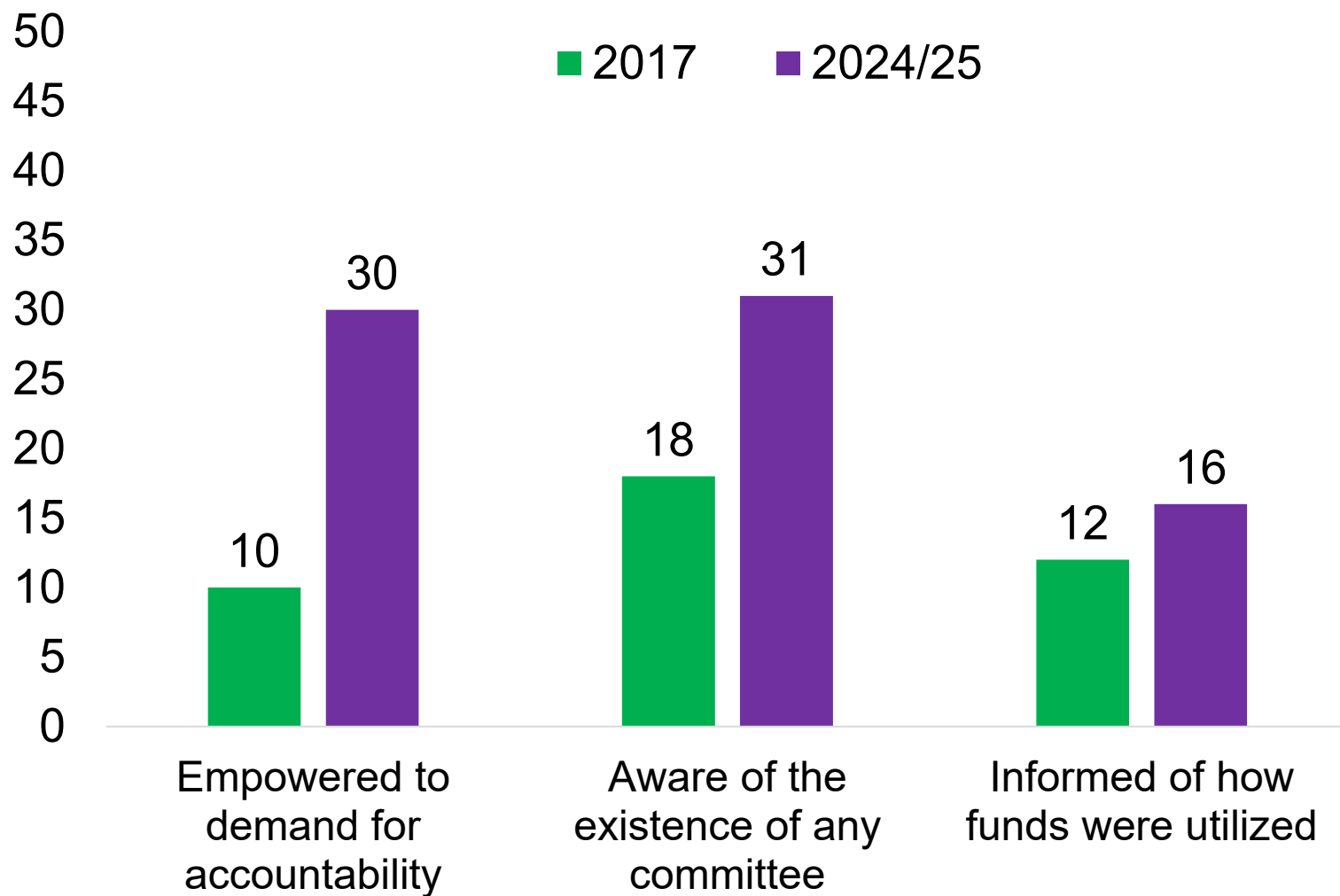
How well do you think your local authority is handling the following:

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2. Badly
3. Well
4. Very well

Note: Results include respondents that reported "Well" or "Very well"

Perceptions on Accountability of Local Councils, (%)



Qn:

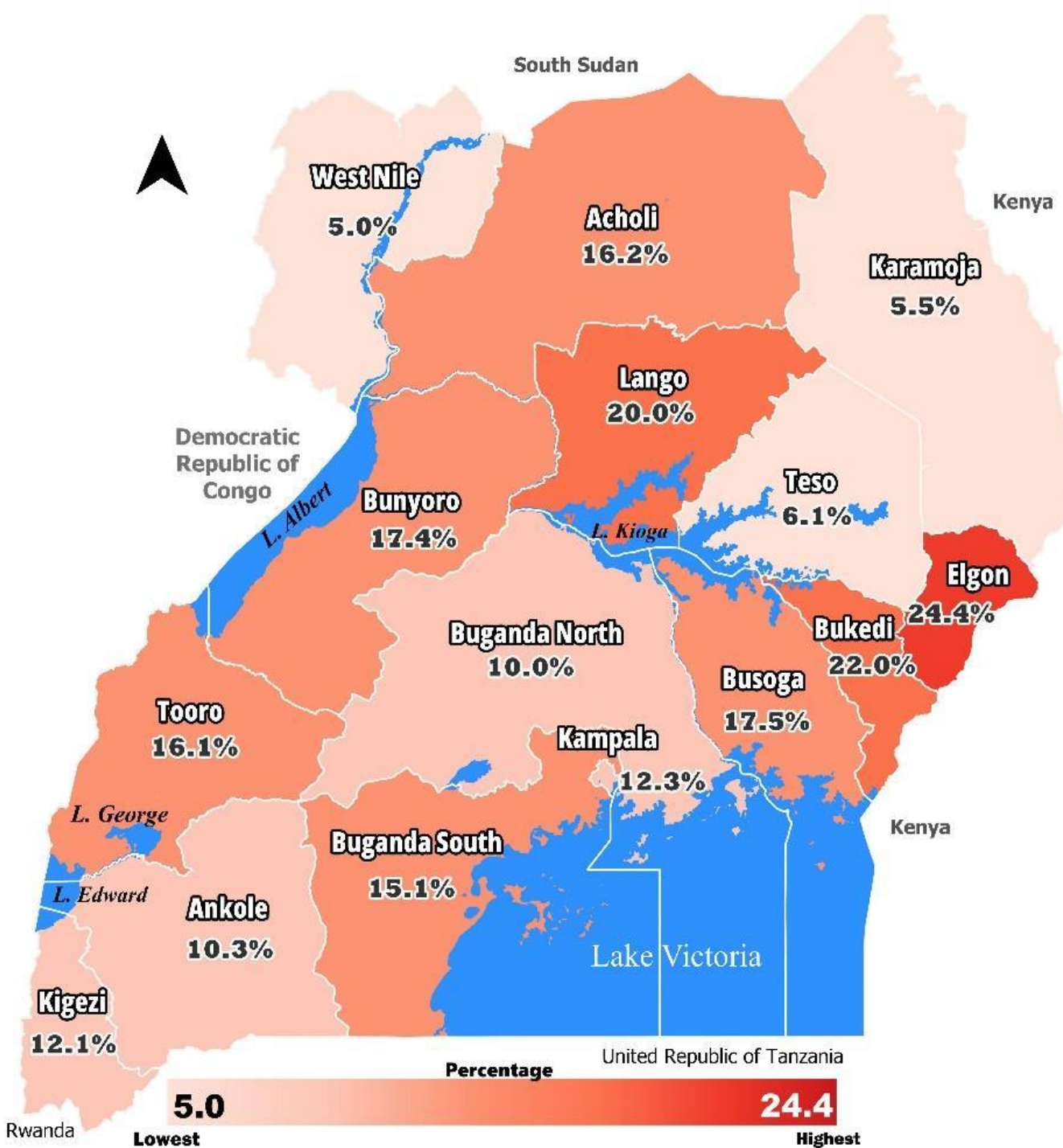
i) Are you empowered to demand for accountability regarding service delivery from your local council leaders?

ii) Are you aware of the existence of any committee set up to monitor the delivery of services in your community?

iii) During the last Financial Year; Did your local council leaders inform you of how the received funds were utilized?

Payment of bribes to civil servants by Sub-region, (%)

National – 14%

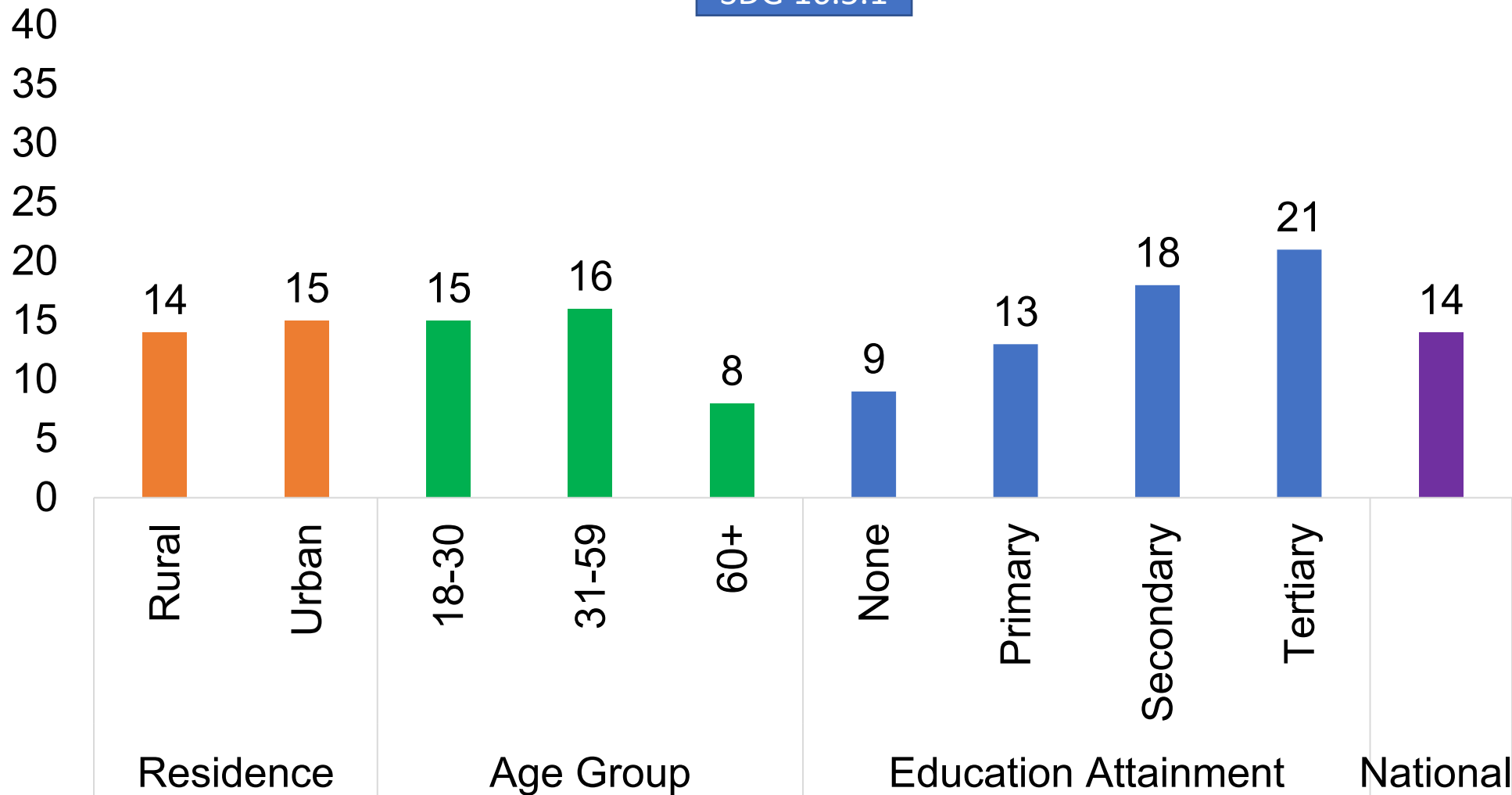


QN:

In the past 12 months, have you had to give money or to offer a gift to a civil servant in exchange for a free service?

Payment of bribes to civil servants, (%)

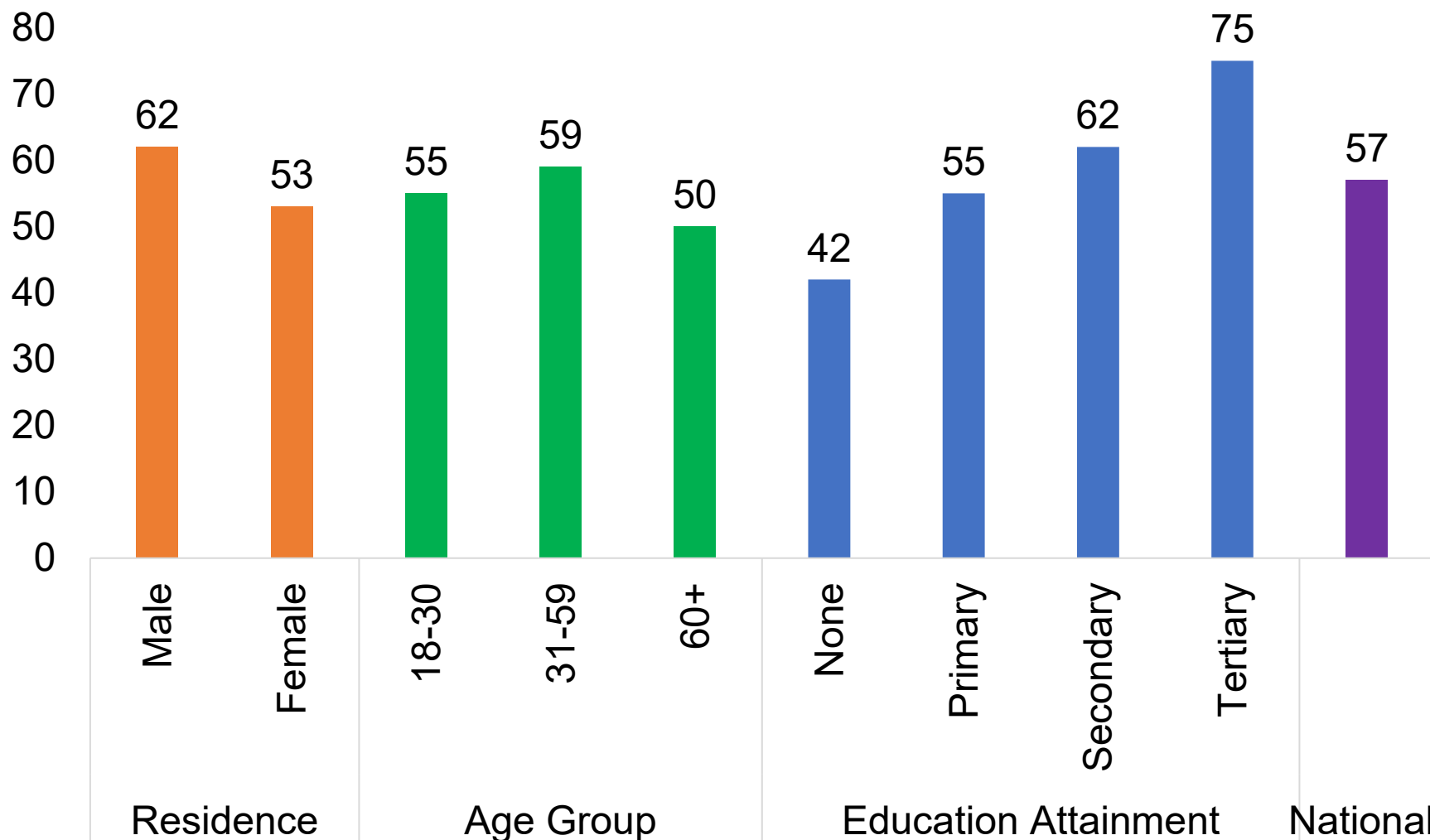
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QN:

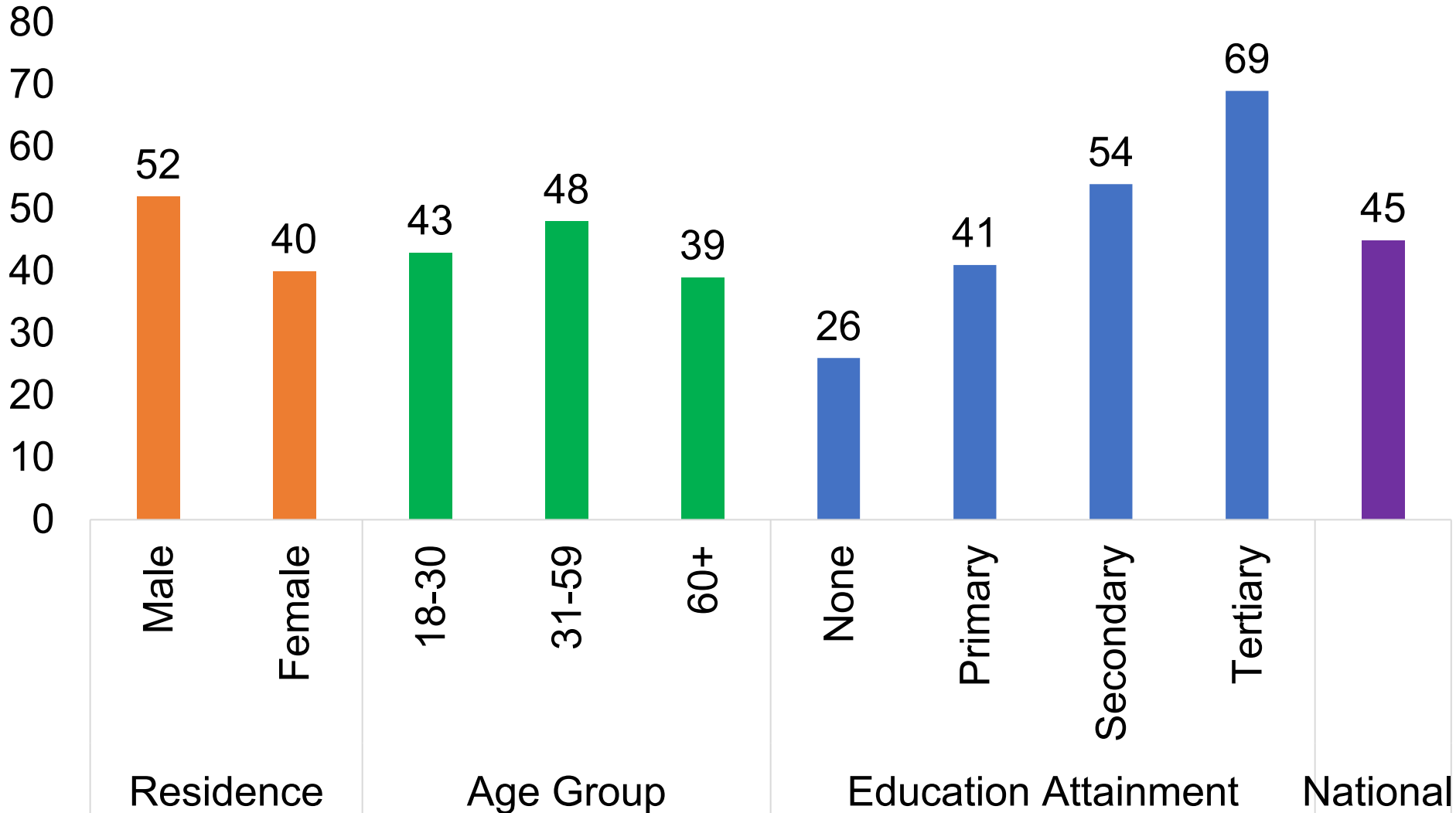
In the past 12 months, have you had to give money or to offer a gift to a civil servant in exchange for a free service?

Knowledge of Government's effort to fight corruption, (%)



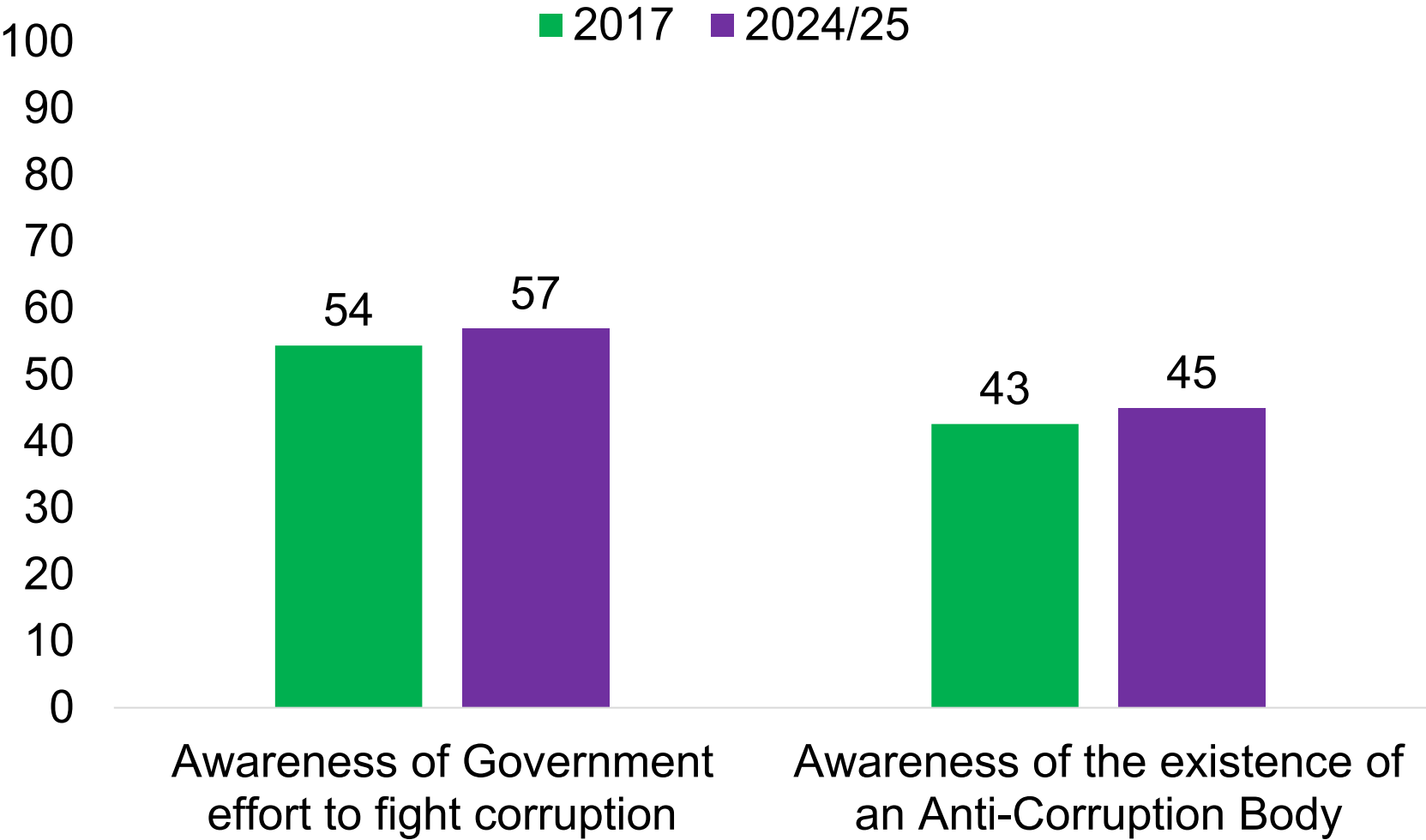
QN:
Are you informed about the government's efforts to fight corruption?
1 = Yes 2 = No

Knowledge on existence of an Anti-Corruption body, (%)



QN:
Do you have knowledge of the existence of an anti-corruption body in this country?
1 = Yes 2 = No

Knowledge on Government effort to fight corruption and existence of an Anti-Corruption body, (%)



QN:

I. Are you informed about the government's efforts to fight corruption?
1 = Yes 2 = No

II. Do you have knowledge of the existence of an anti-corruption body in this country?
1 = Yes 2 = No

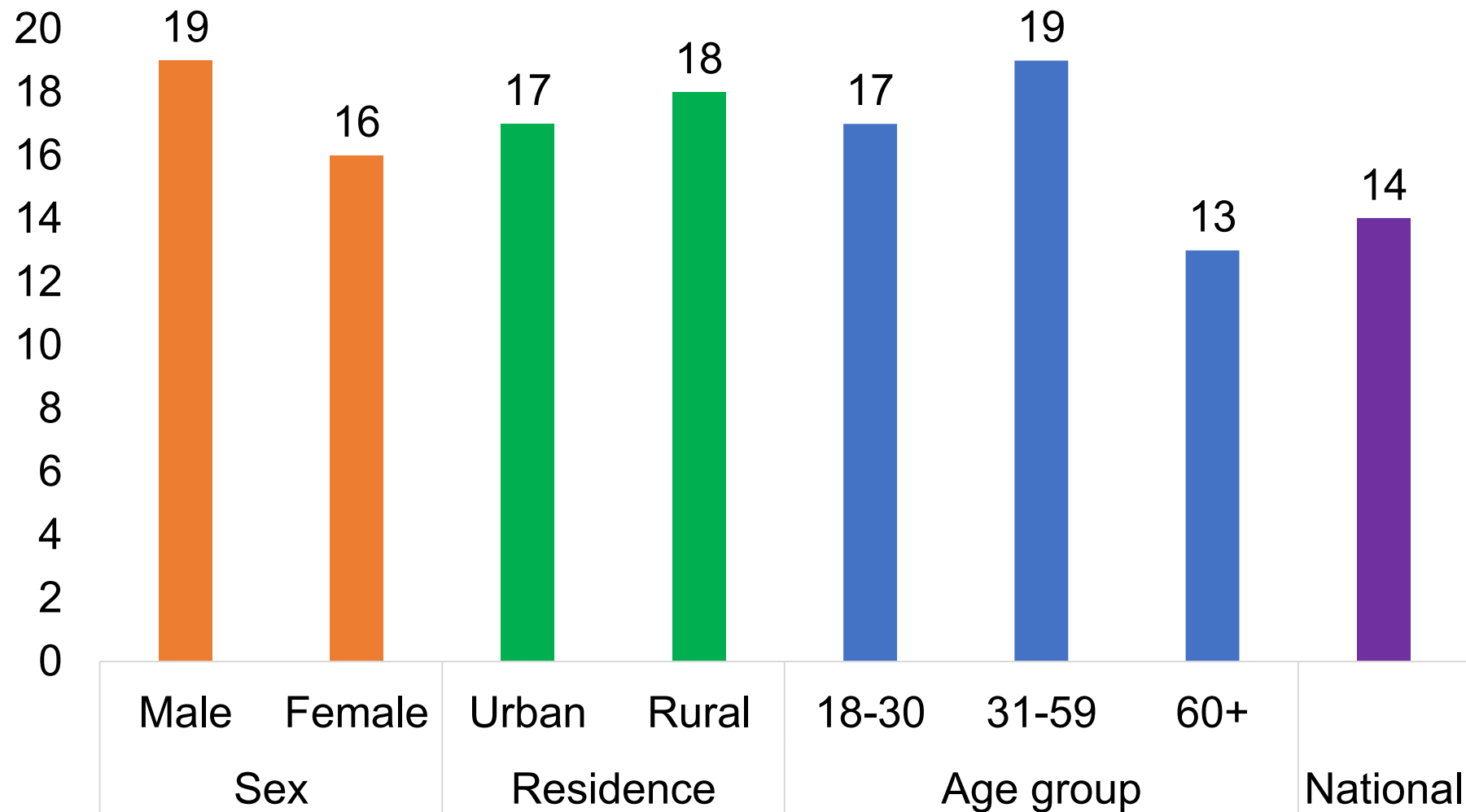
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Peace & Security

- Experience and Reporting of Theft
- Safety, Worry and Threats
- Perceptions on Public Security Forces
- Happiness and Trust among people

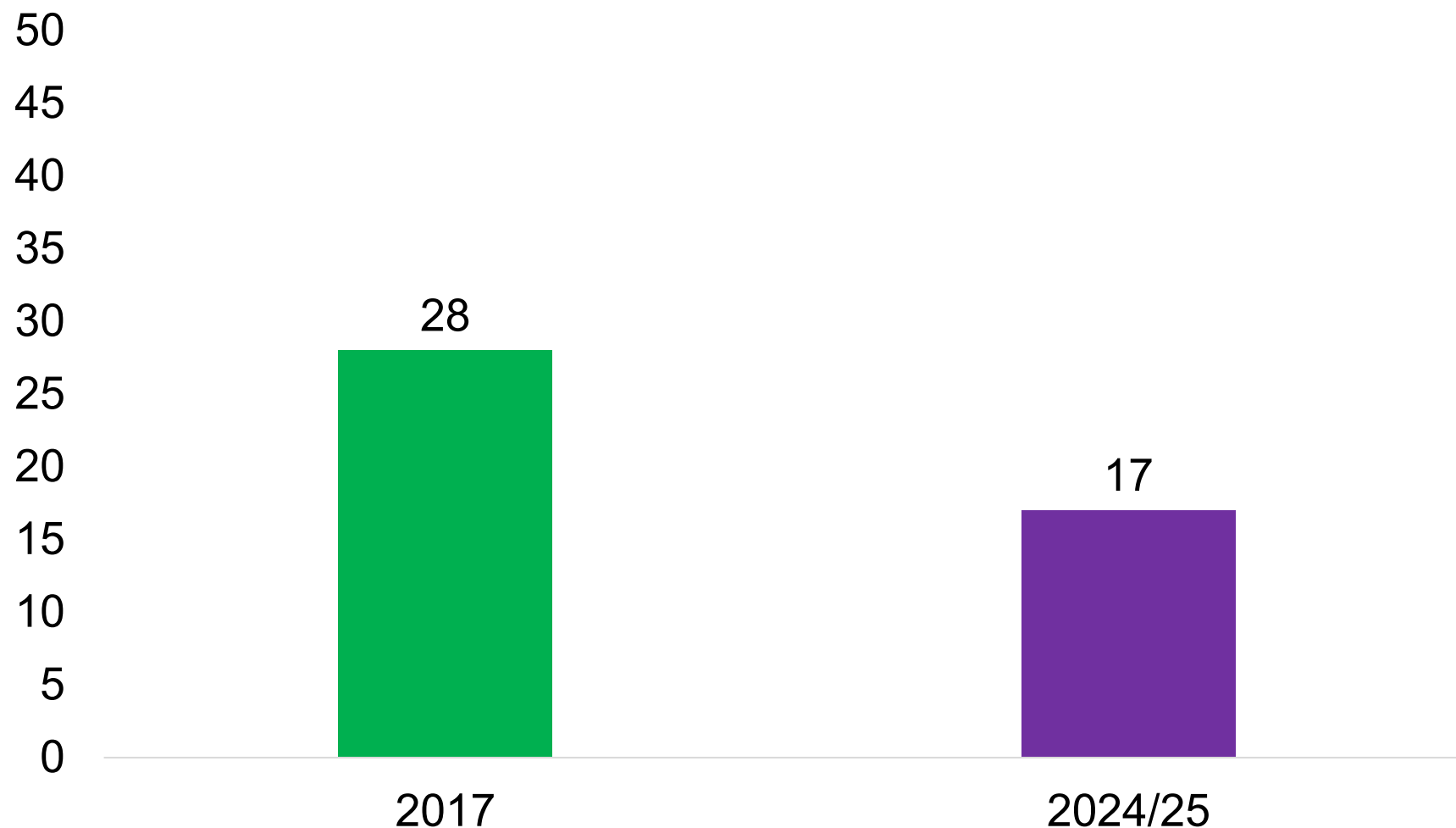


Prevalence of theft, (%)



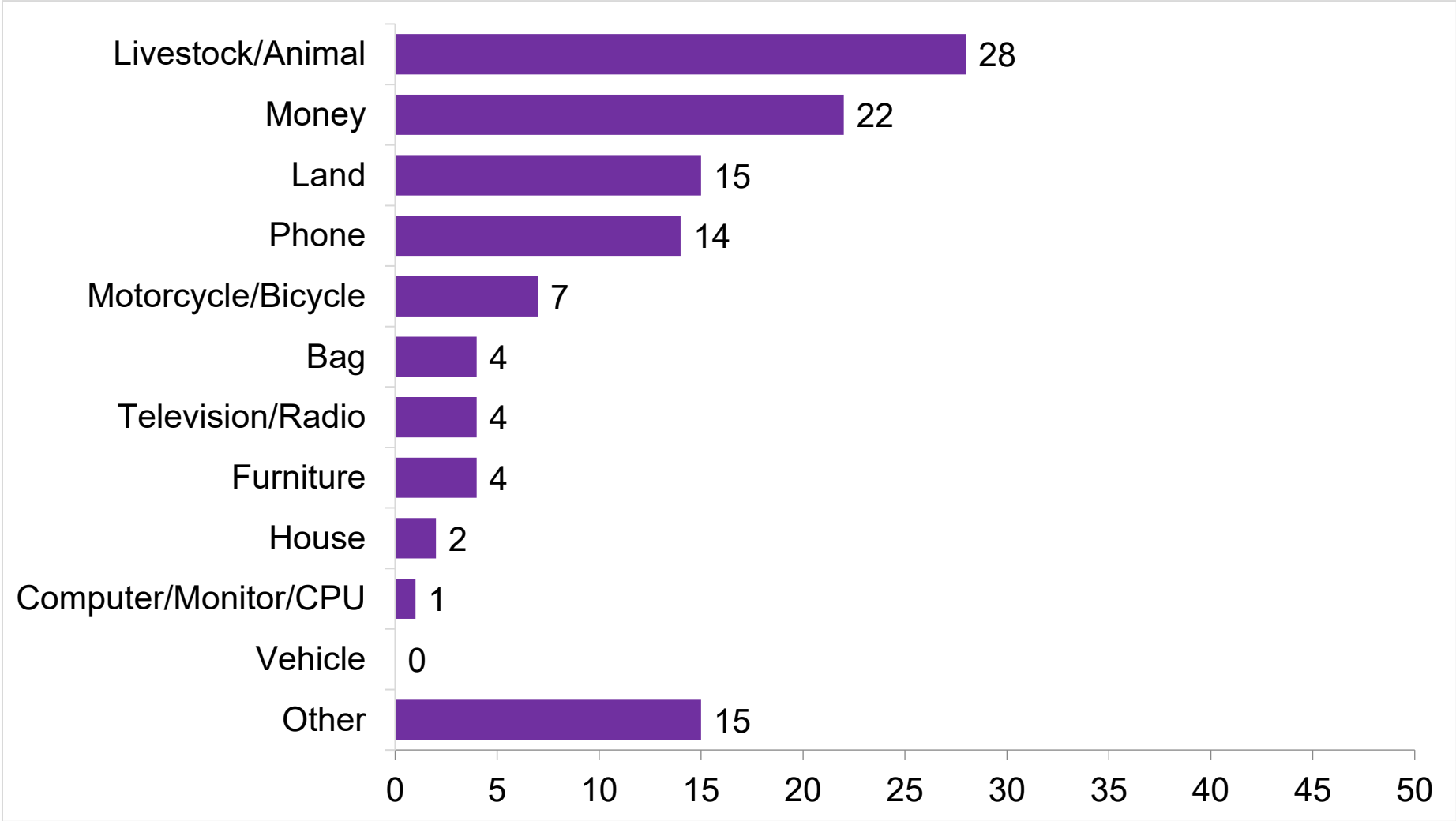
Qn:
In the last 12 months, did anyone take your property against your will?

Prevalence of theft, (%)



Qn:
In the last 12 months, did anyone take your property against your will?

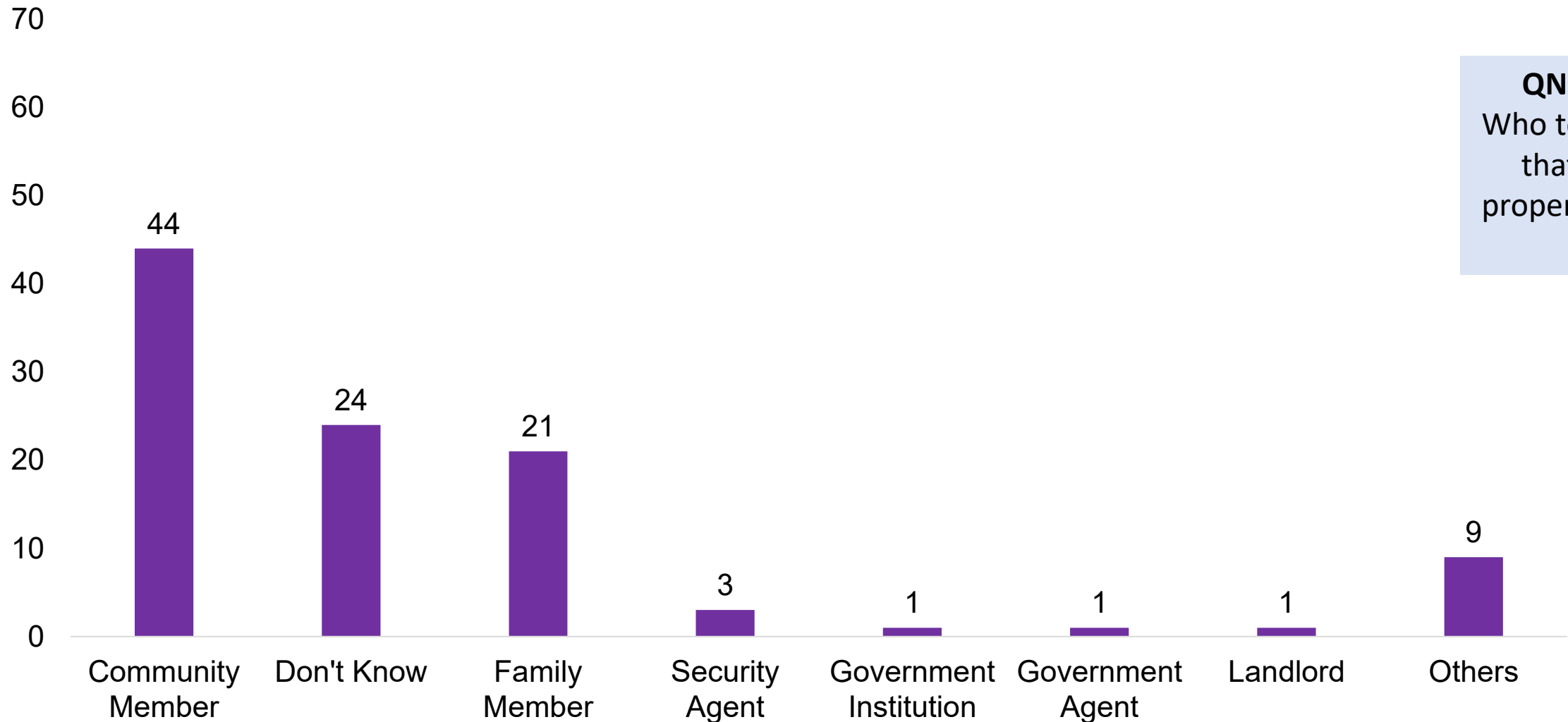
Most recent property stolen, (%)



QN:
In the last 12 month, what was the MOST recent property taken away from you against your will?

Others include; Clothes, Agricultural produce, working tools, household items

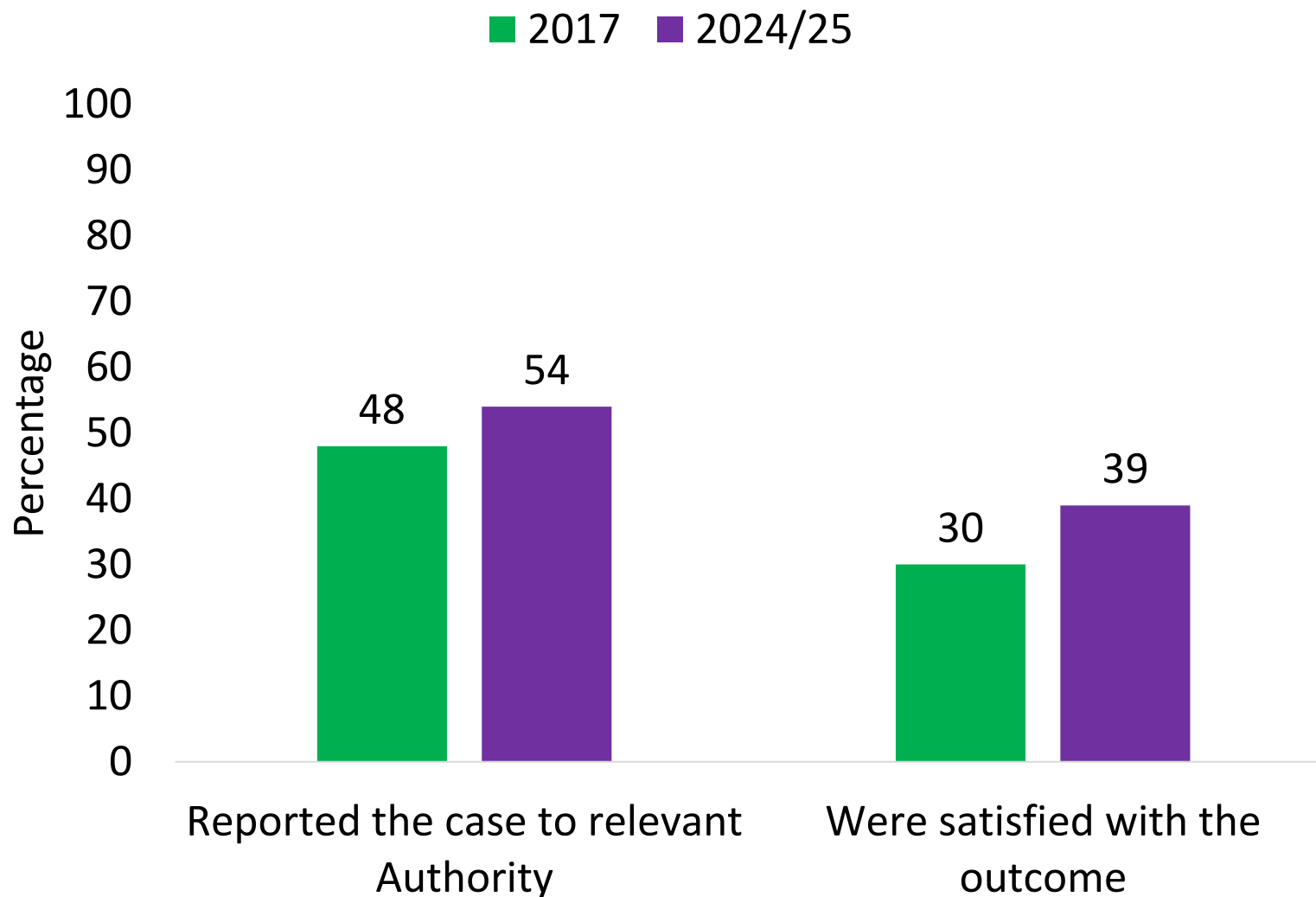
Alleged perpetrators of theft, (%)



QN:
Who took
that
property?

Others include; Bank, Client, workmate, friend

Cases reported and satisfaction with outcome, (%)



Qn:

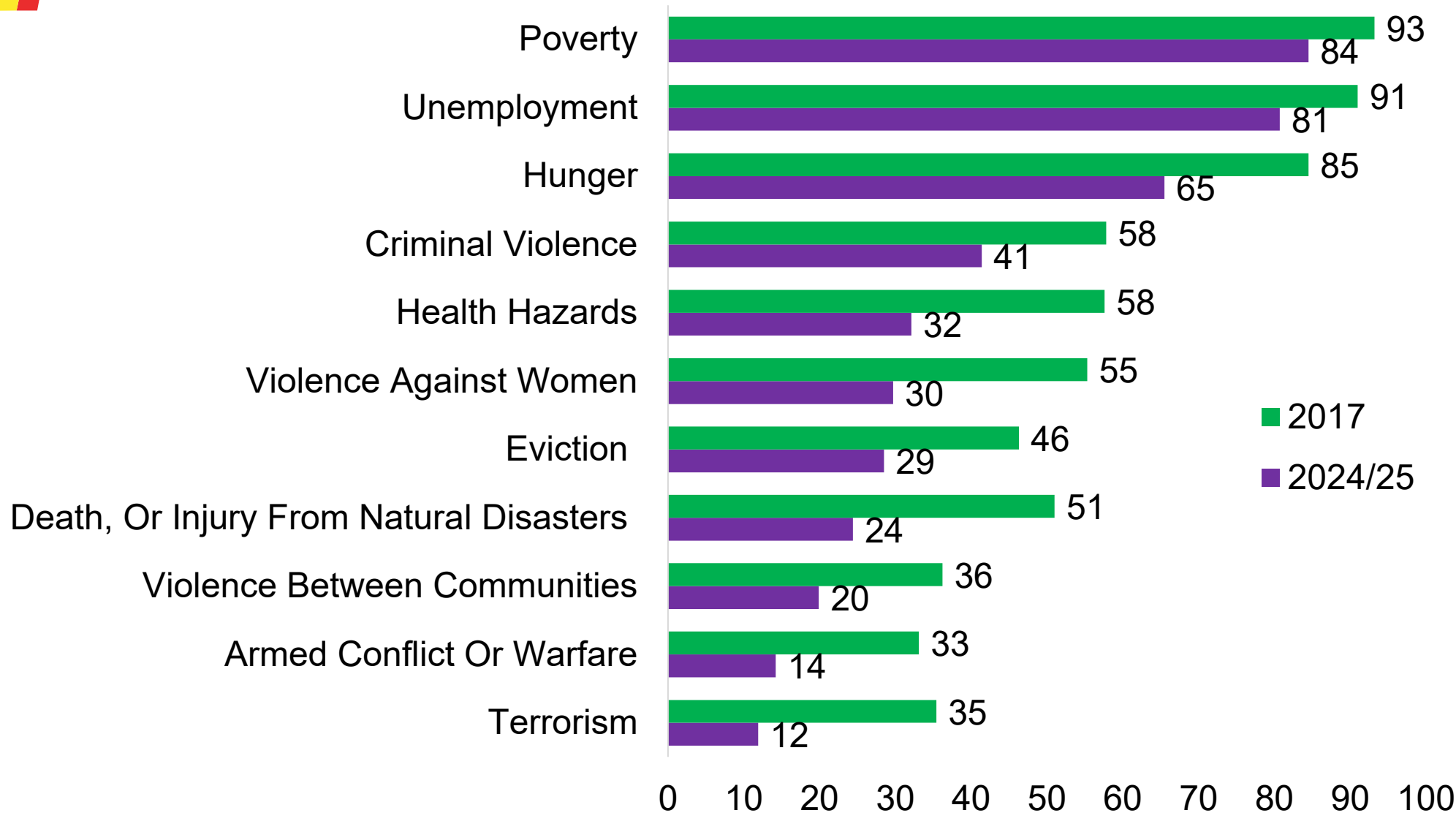
I). Did you or any member of the household report the complaint to the relevant authorities?
1 = Yes 2 = No

II). Were you satisfied with the outcome from your most recent complaint to the authorities?

- 1. Very satisfied
- 2. Satisfied
- 3. Very dissatisfied
- 4. Dissatisfied

Note: Results include respondents that reported "Very satisfied" or "Satisfied"

Worried about potential threats to security, (%)

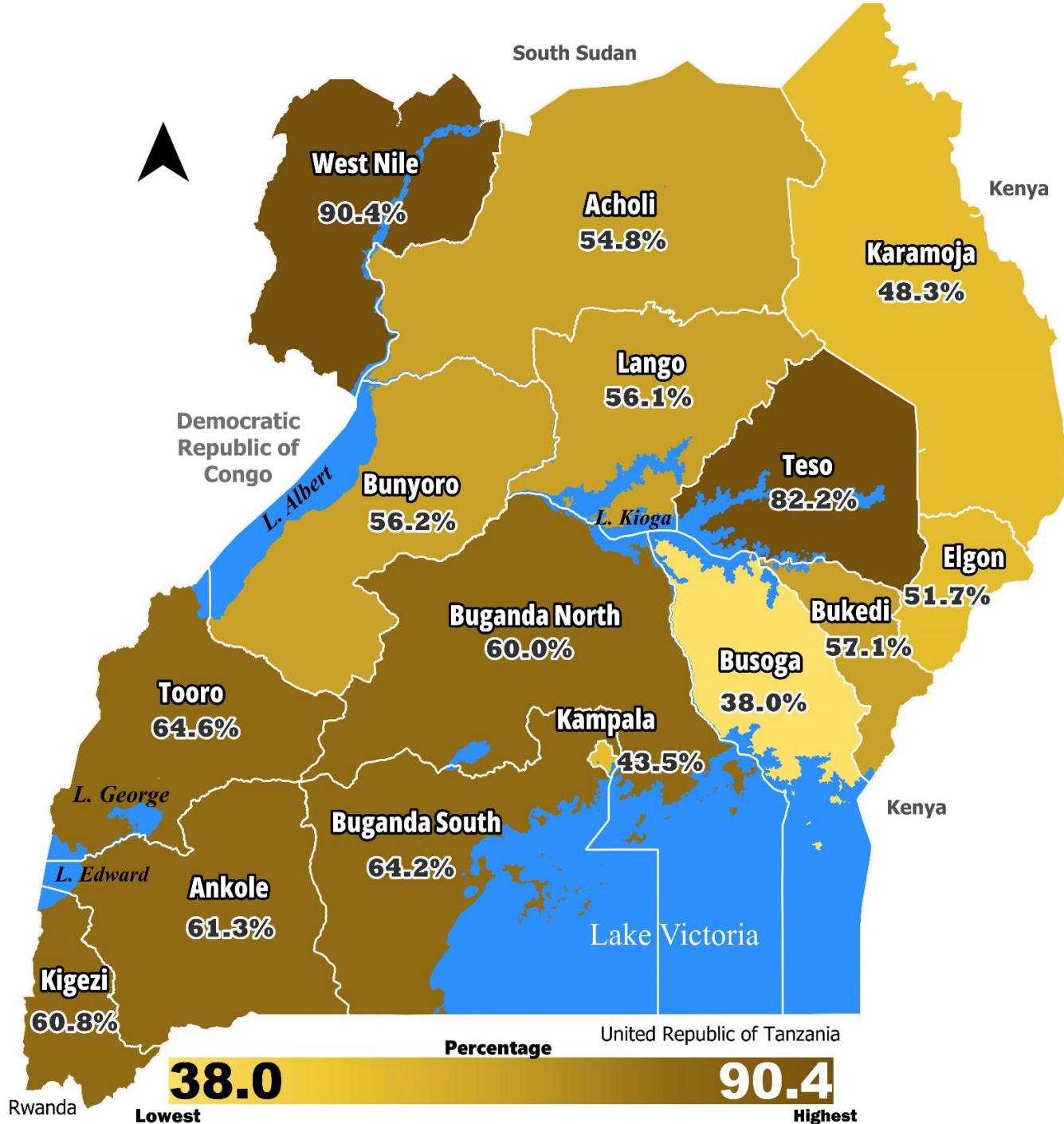


QN:
How much do you worry about the following potential threats [...] to your security, in your day-to-day life?

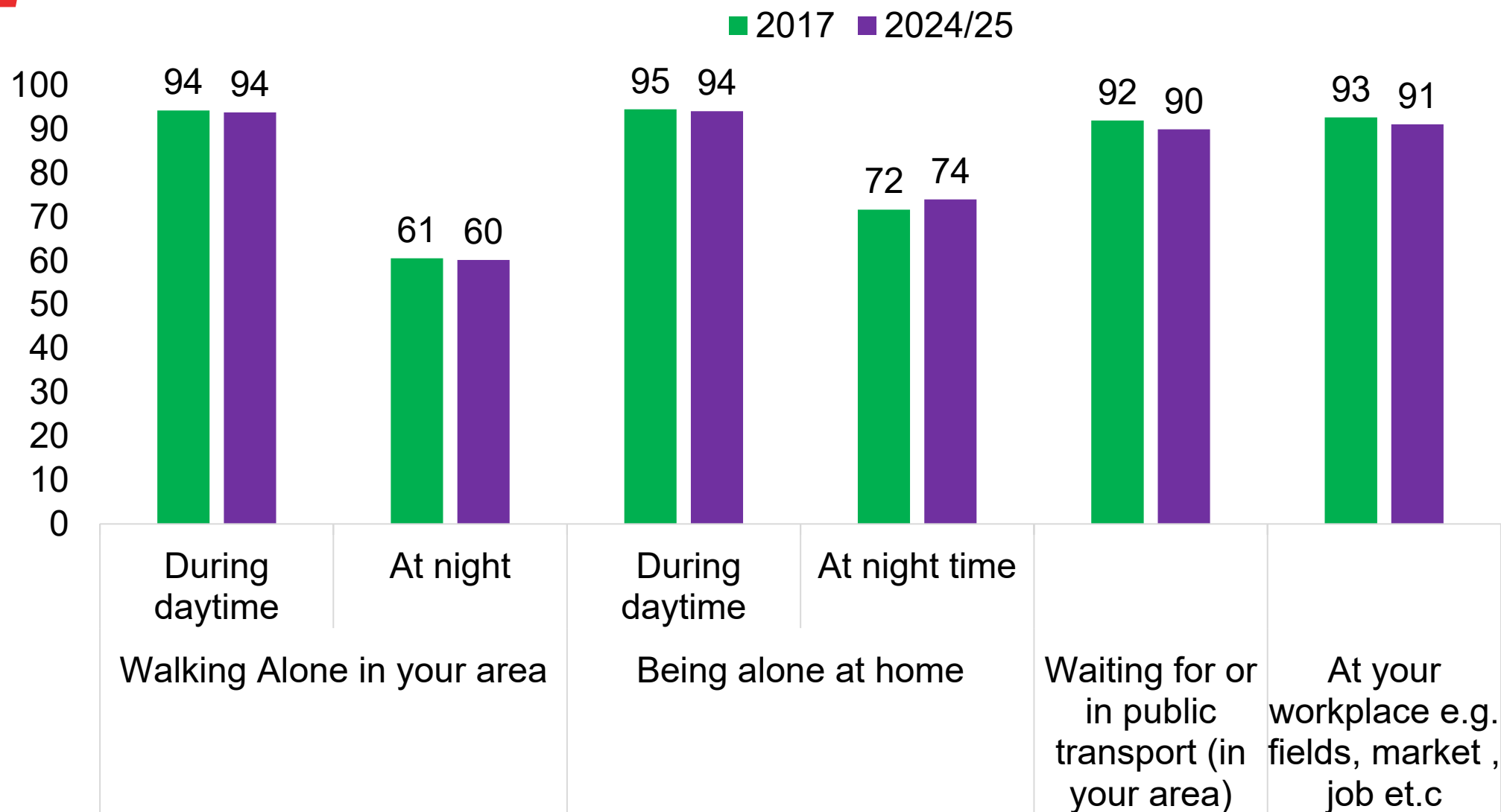
Feel safe walking alone at night in your area by Sub-region, (%)

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National – 60%

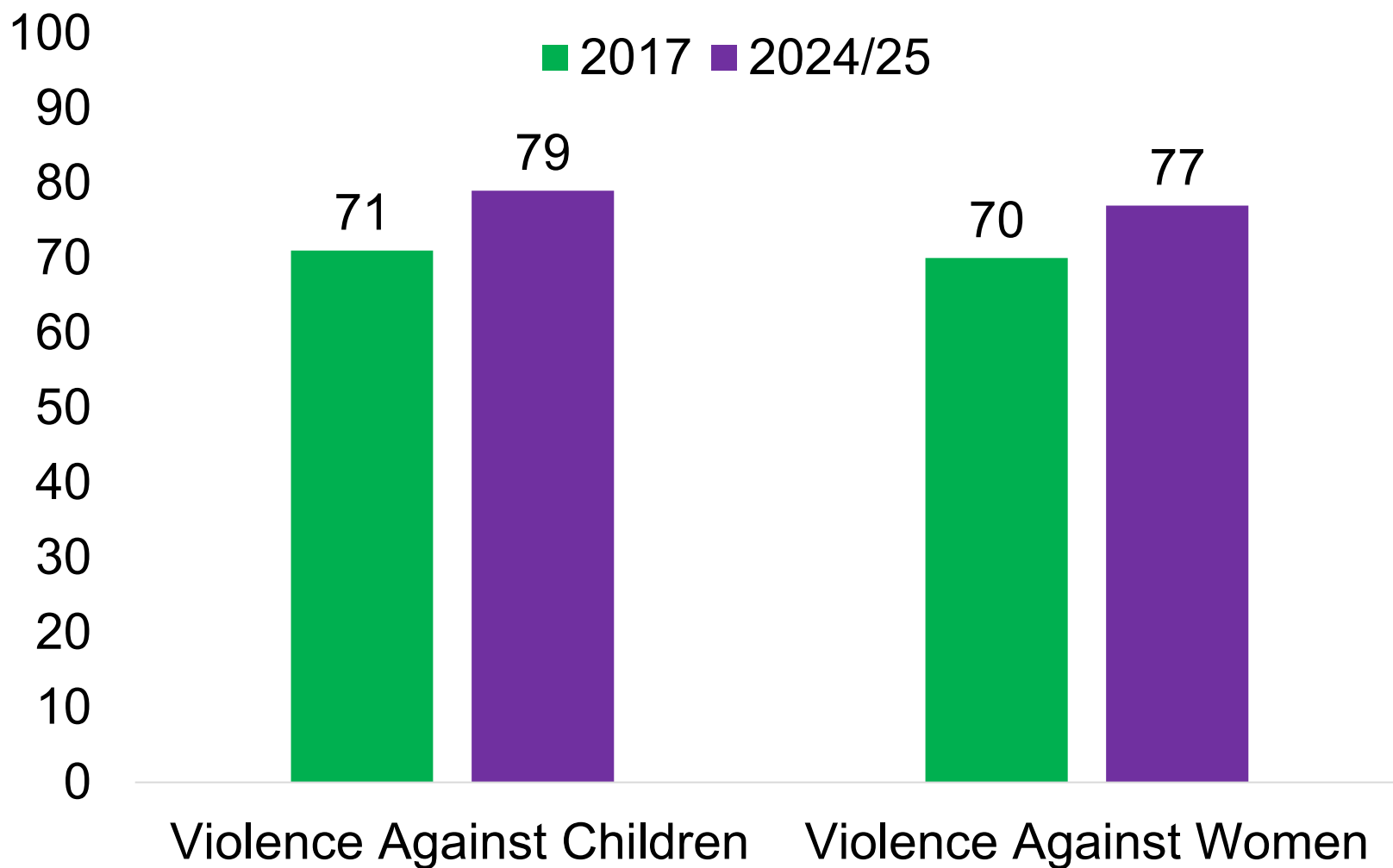


Perceptions on safety in different situations, (%)



QN:
How safe do you feel in the following situations?

Effectiveness of Public Security Forces in addressing violence, (%)

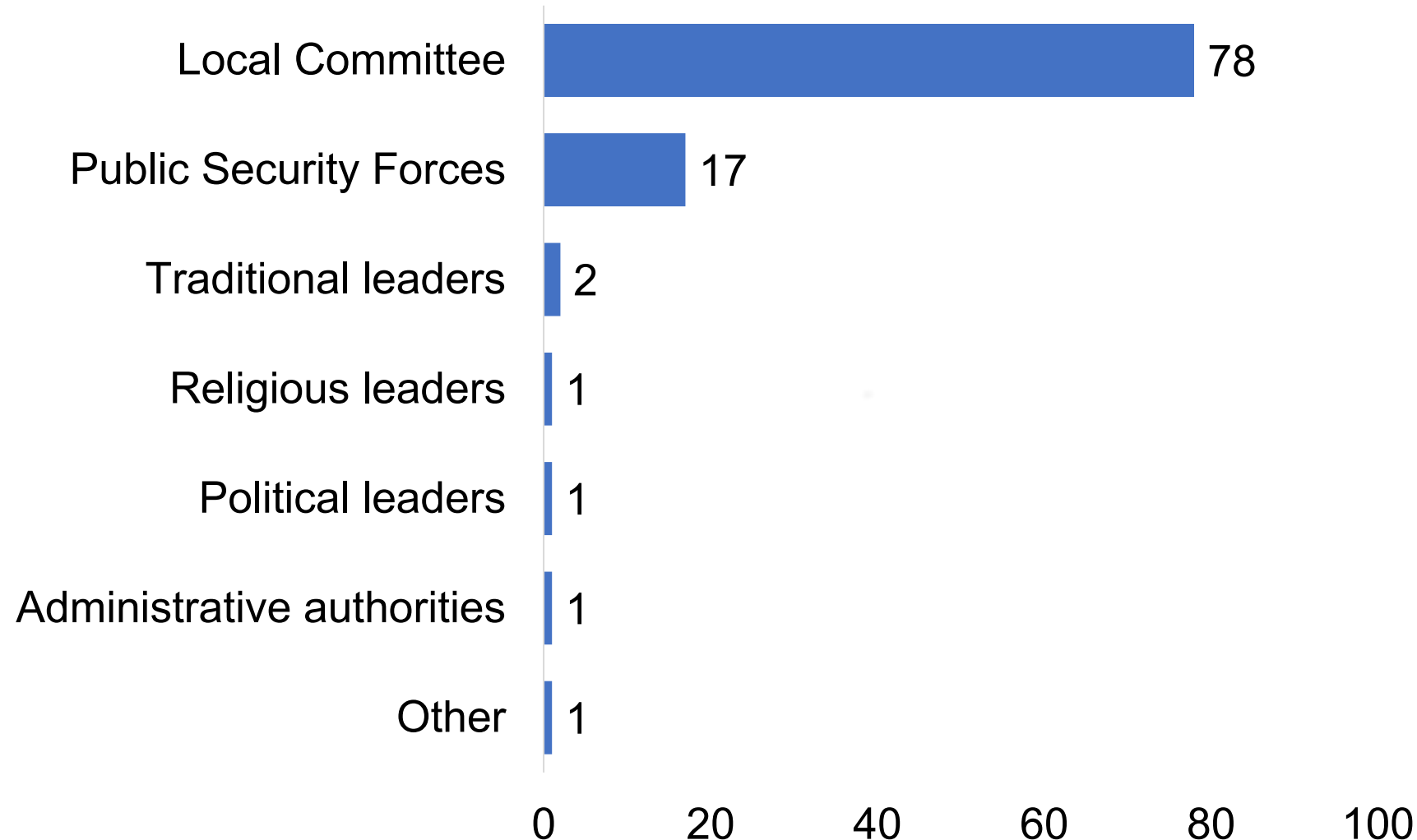


QN:
Overall, how effective are public security forces in addressing VAC/VAW?

1. Not at all
2. A little
3. Fairly effective
4. Very effective

Note: Results include respondents that reported "Fairly effective" or "Very effective"

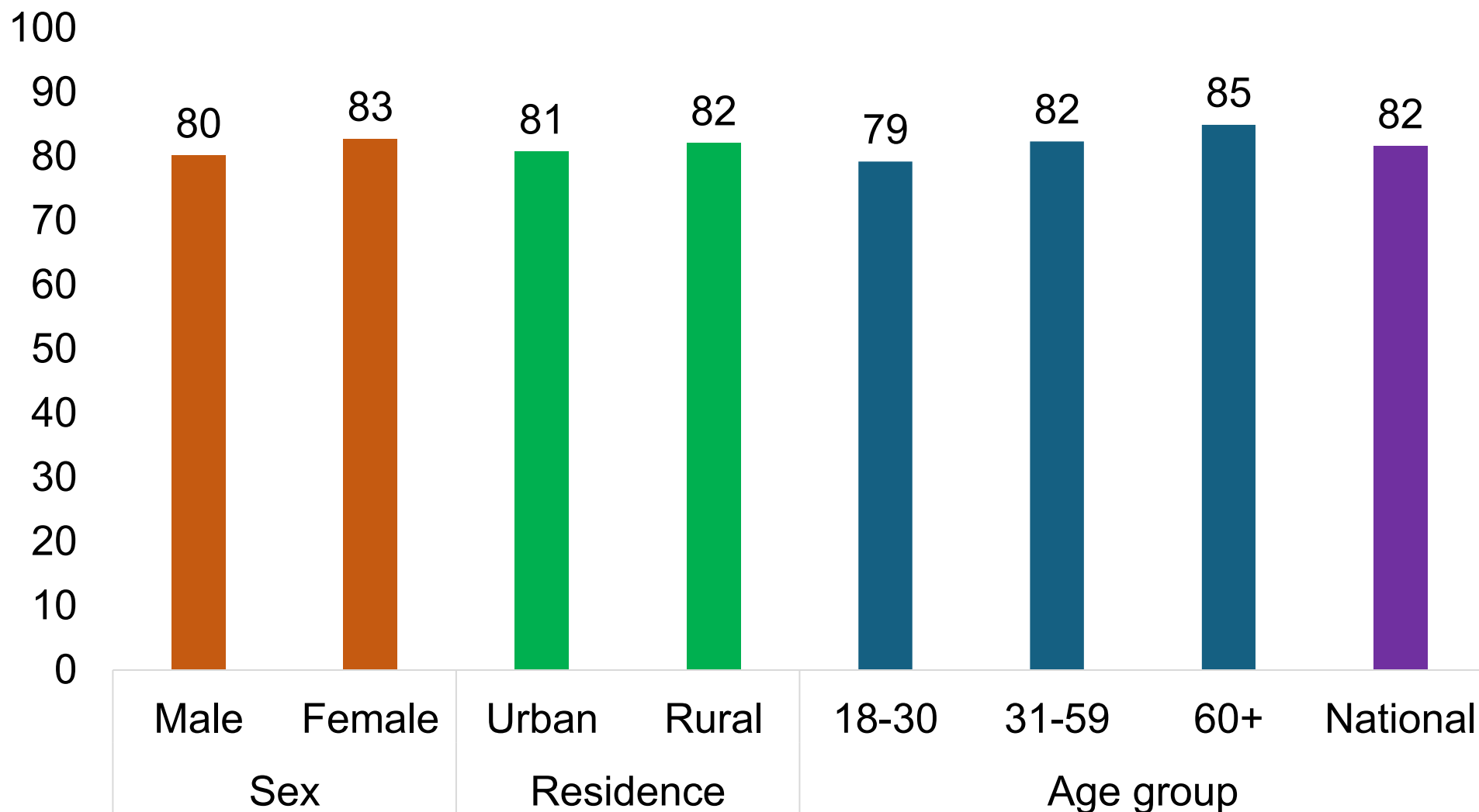
Perception on source of help for resolving conflicts, (%)



Others include; Community leaders, neighbour

Qn:
Where do people usually go to get help for resolving a conflict?

Trust in the Government to provide security, (%)

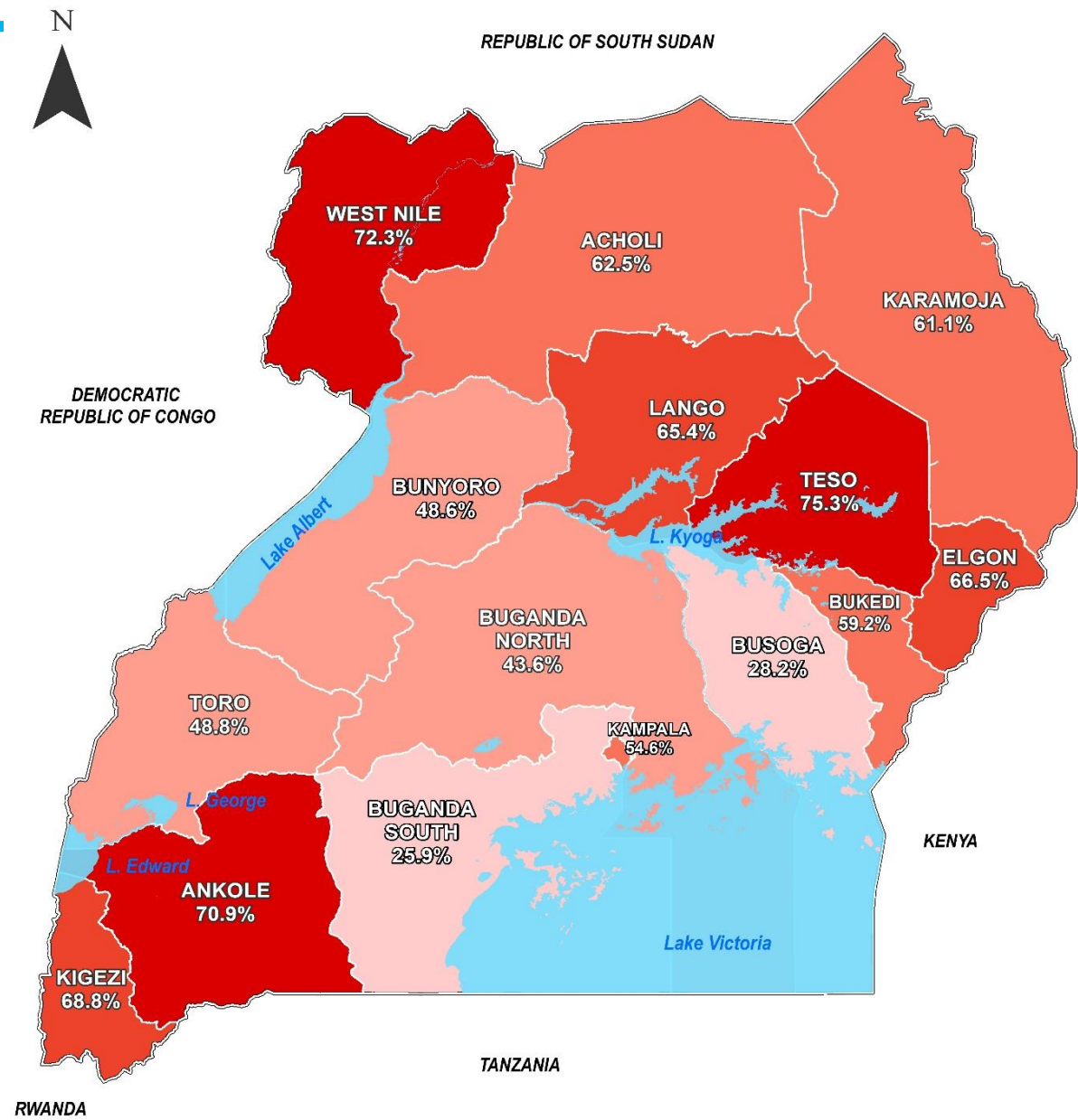


QN:
How much do you trust the Government to protect you, your household and your property from crime and violence?



Perceptions on Extent of Trust of persons by Sub-region, (%)

57.9%
National



QN:

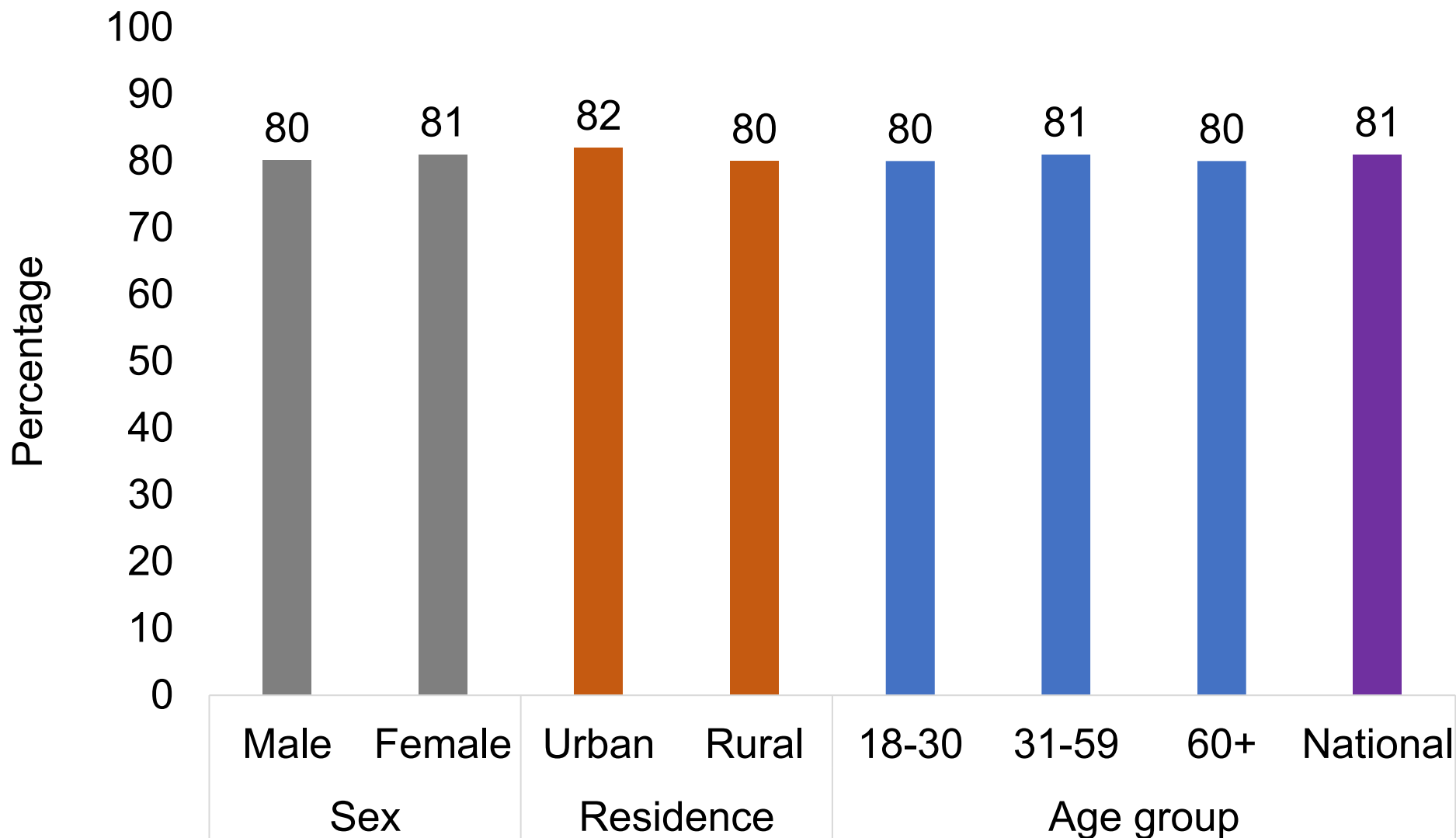
In your country, to what extent can most people be trusted?

1. Not at all
2. A little
3. Fairly
4. Completely

Note: Results include respondents that reported "Fairly" or "Completely"



Happiness, (%)



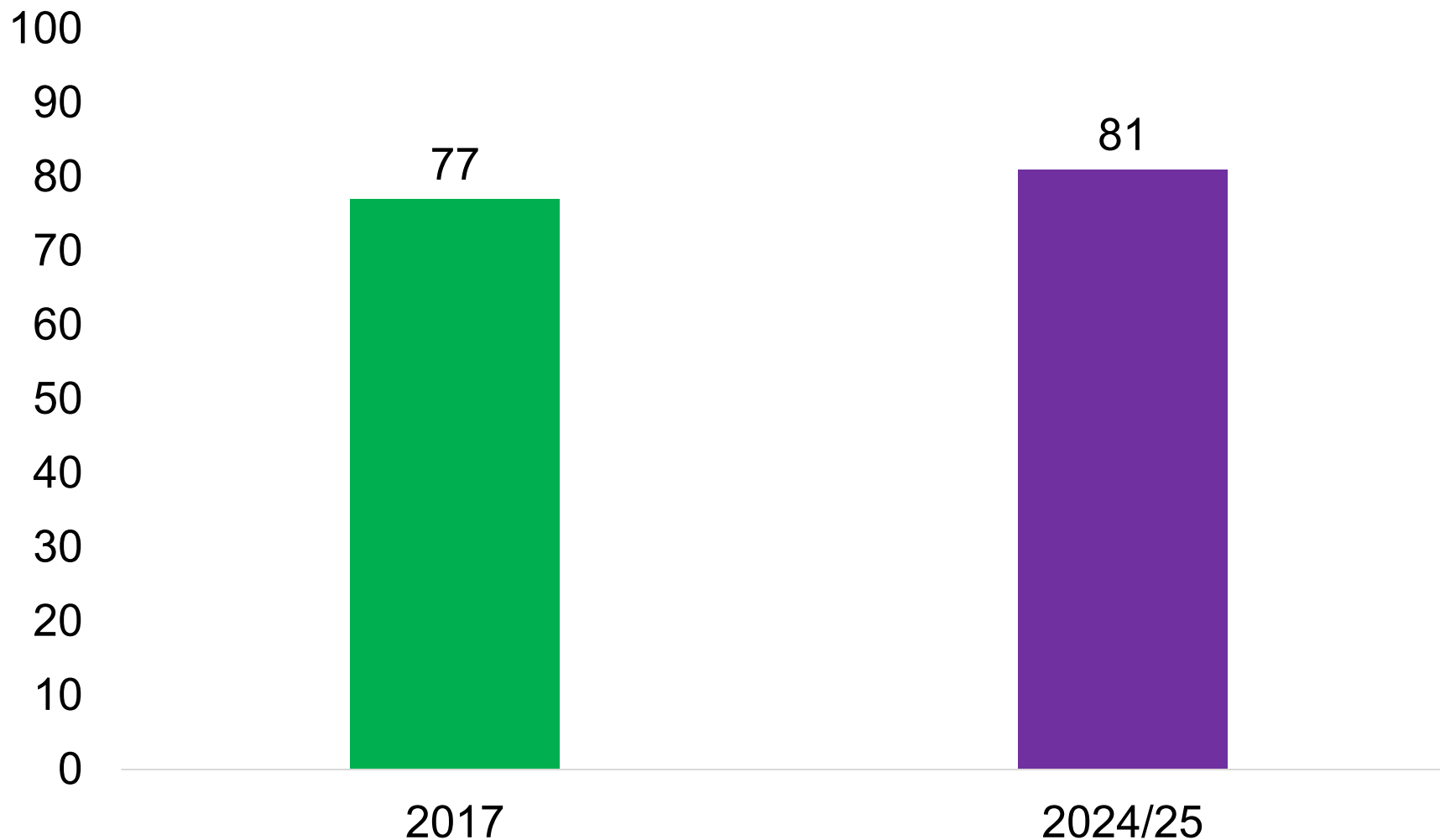
QN:

Taking all things together, would you say that you are happy?

1. Not at all
2. A little
3. Fairly
4. Completely

Note: Results include respondents that reported “Fairly” or “Completely”

Happiness, (%)



QN:

Taking all things together, would you say that you are happy?

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Key Findings

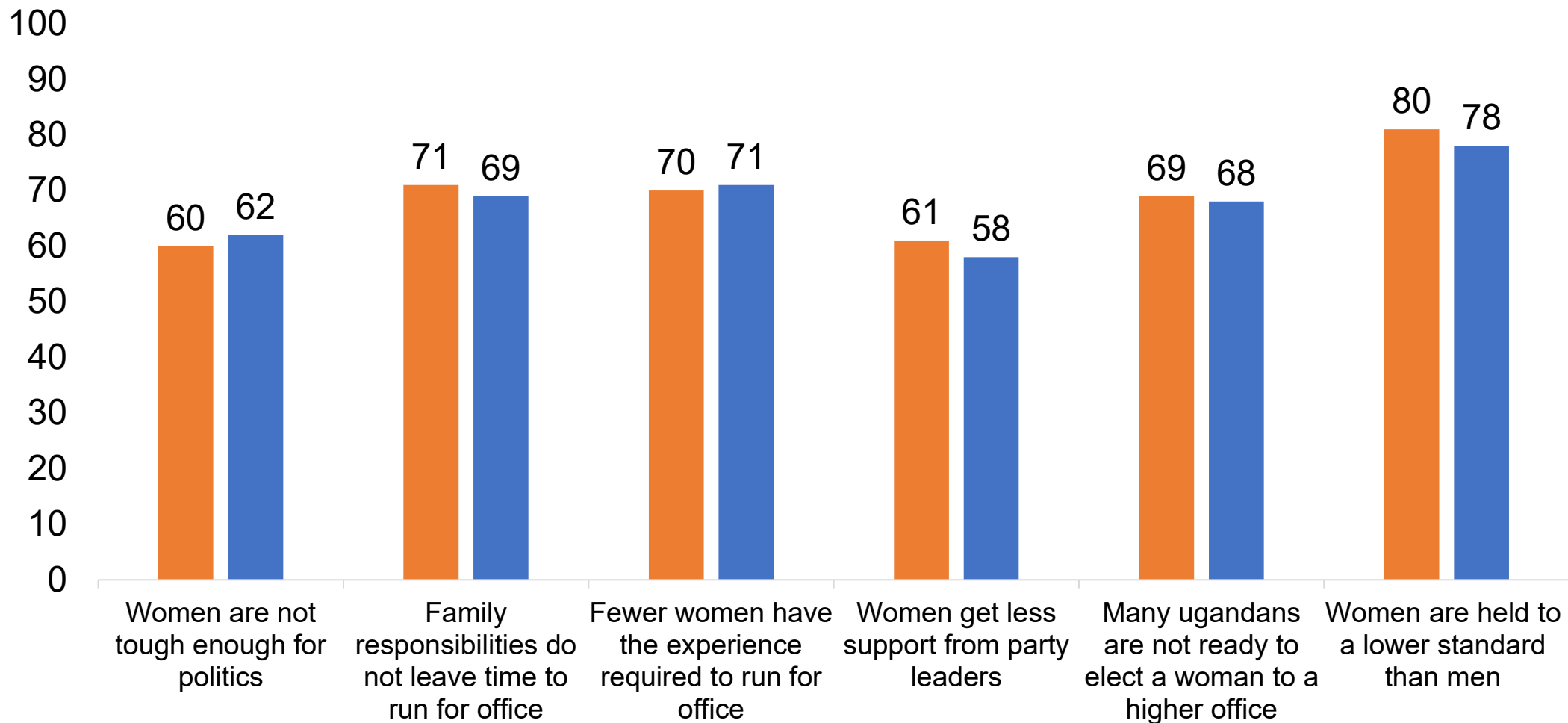
WOMEN'S RIGHTS

- Political Participation
- Perceptions on Violence Against Women and Girls



Perception on women's participation in Politics, (%)

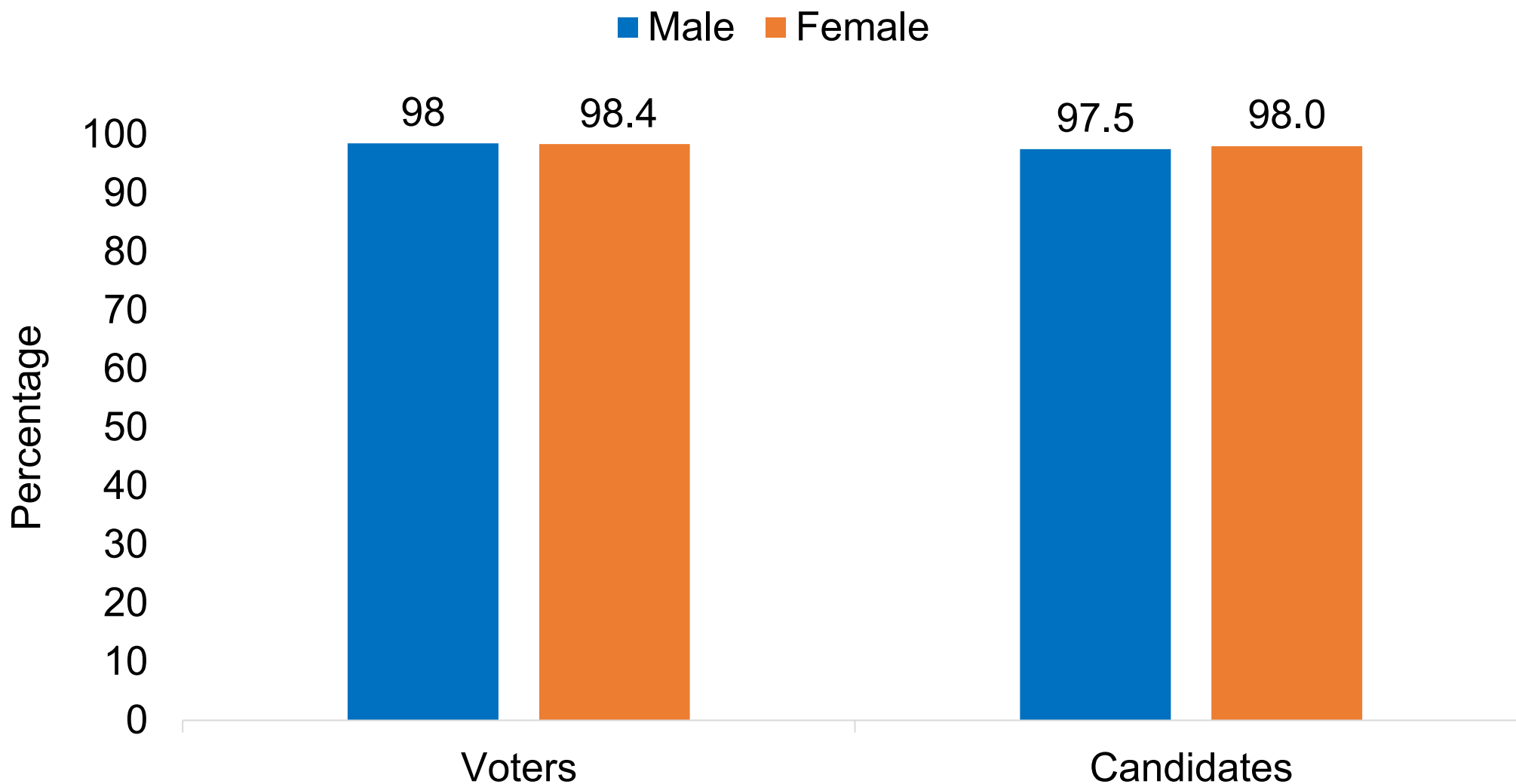
Female Male



QN:

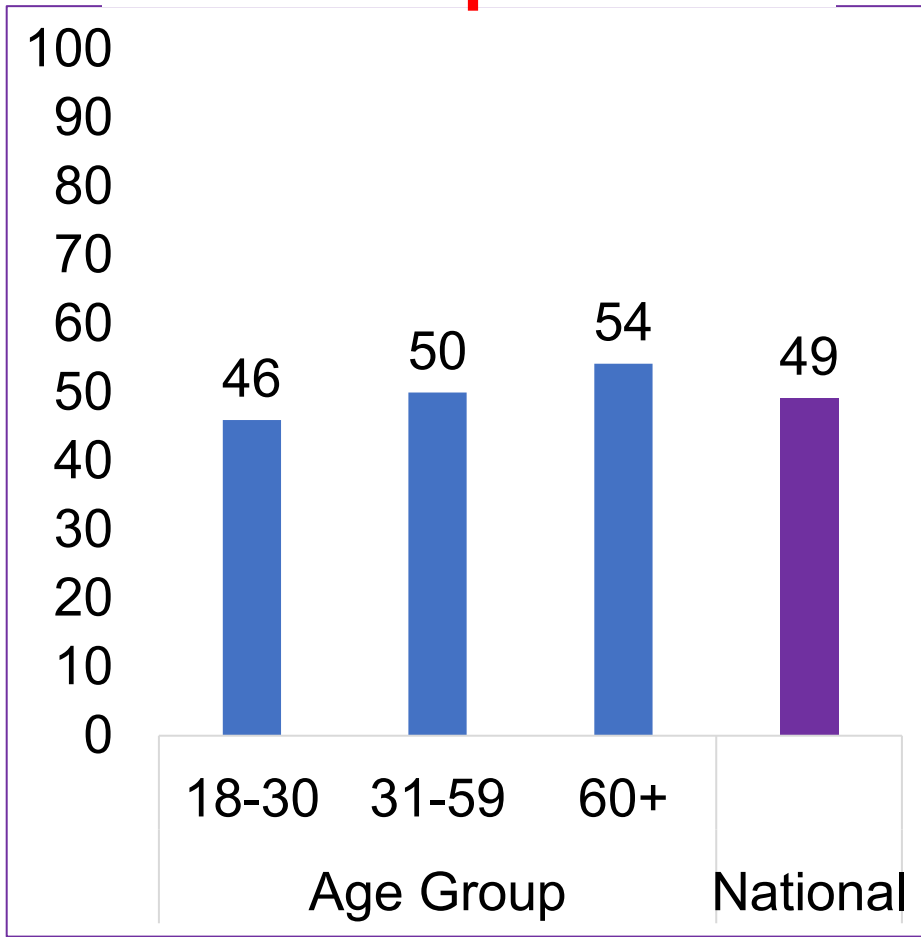
The major reason there are not many women in top political offices is [...];
Yes or No?

Perception on women's participation in Politics, (%)

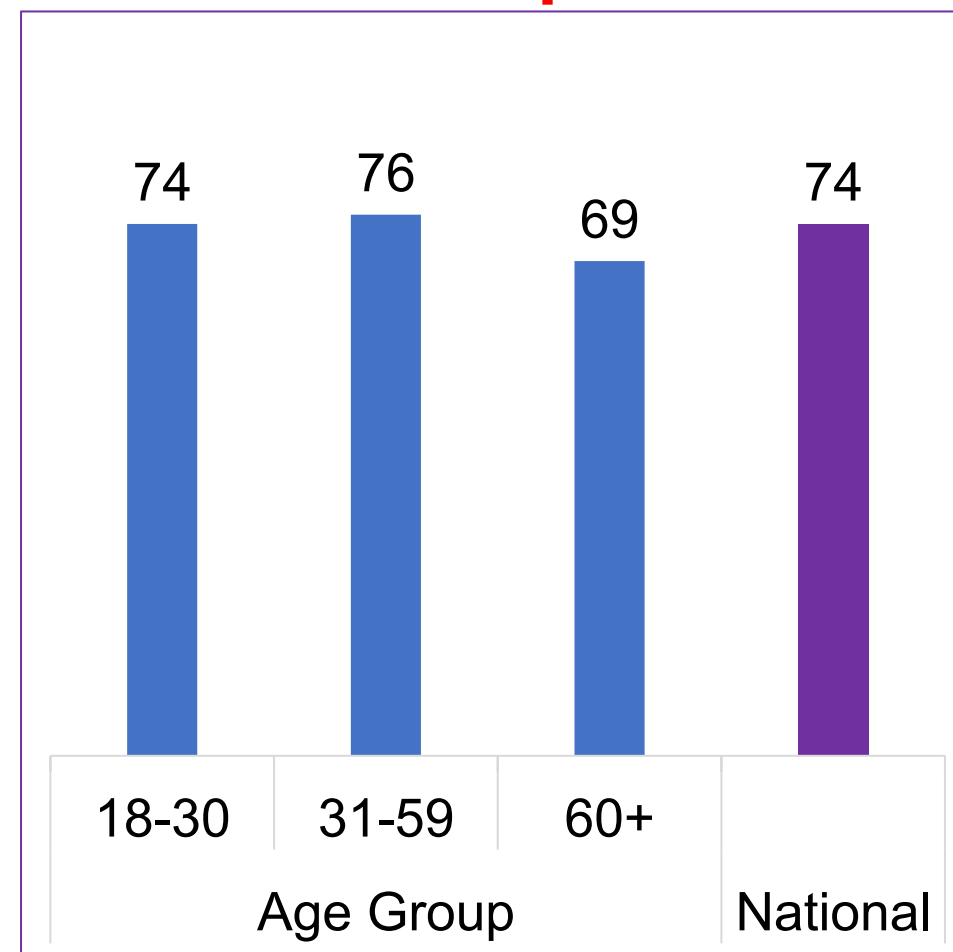


Would vote for female candidates during elections, (%)

Male Respondents

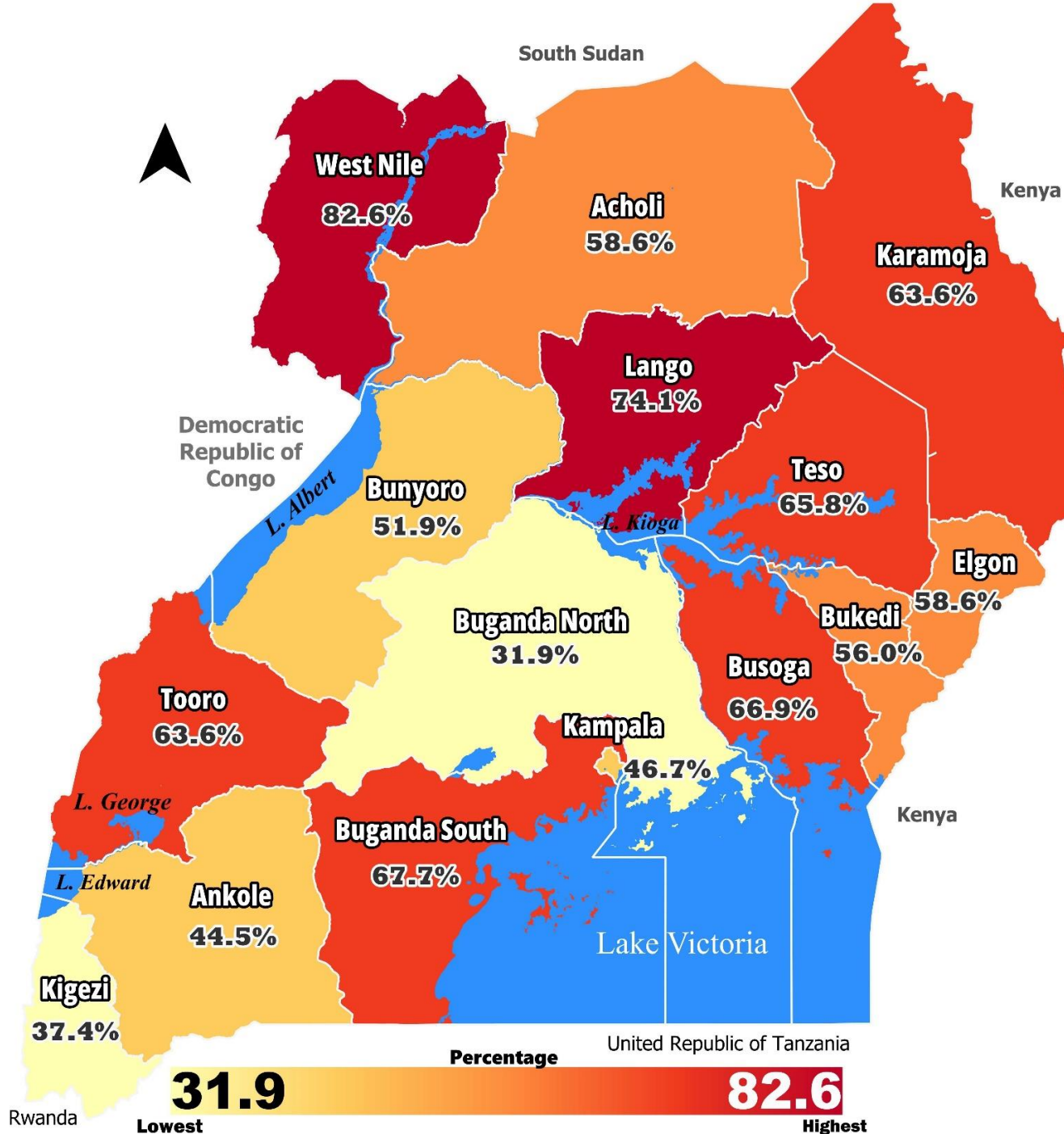


Female Respondents

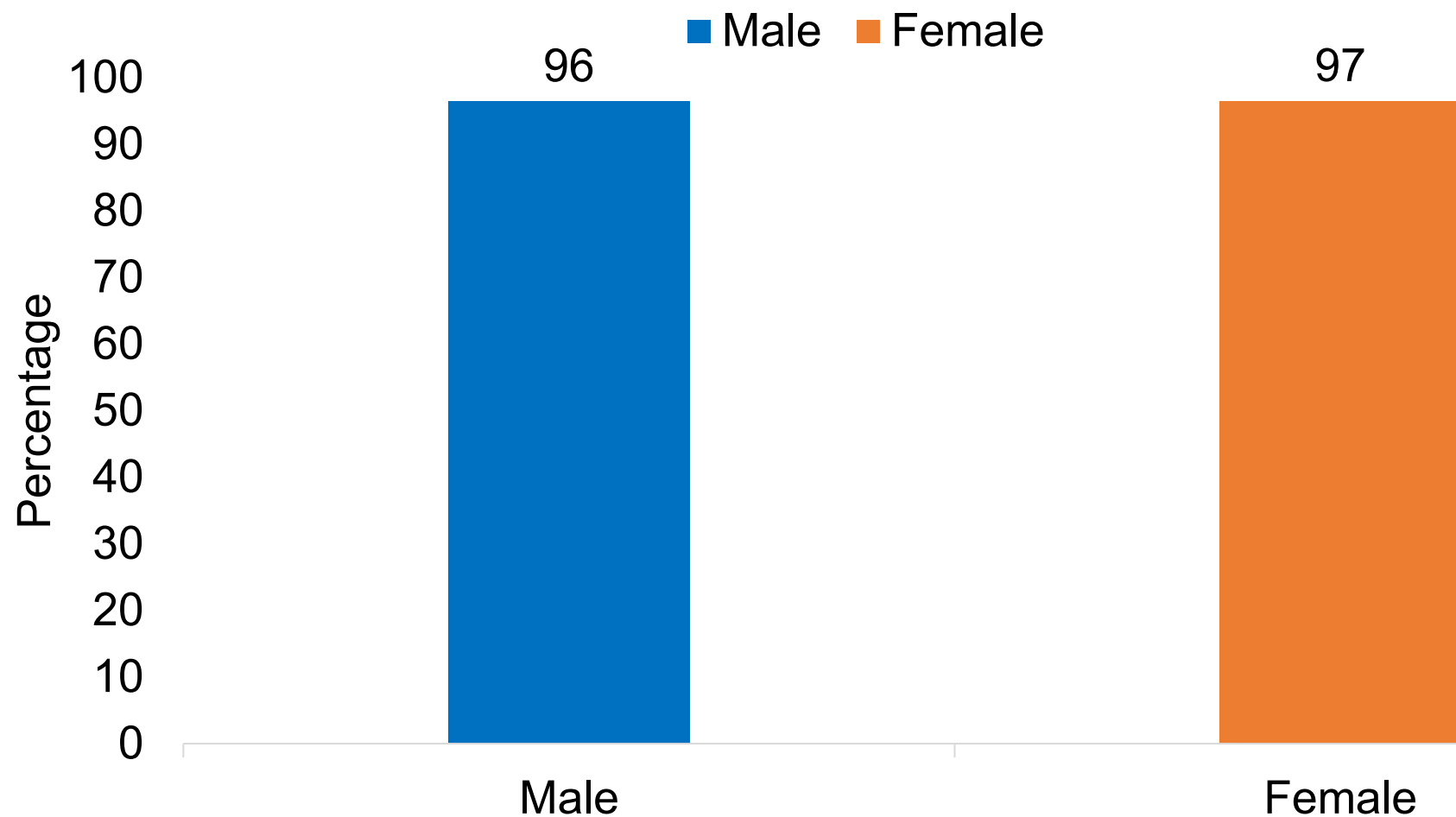


57.9%

Males who agreed that female politicians received lower support from party leaders compared to male politicians, (%)

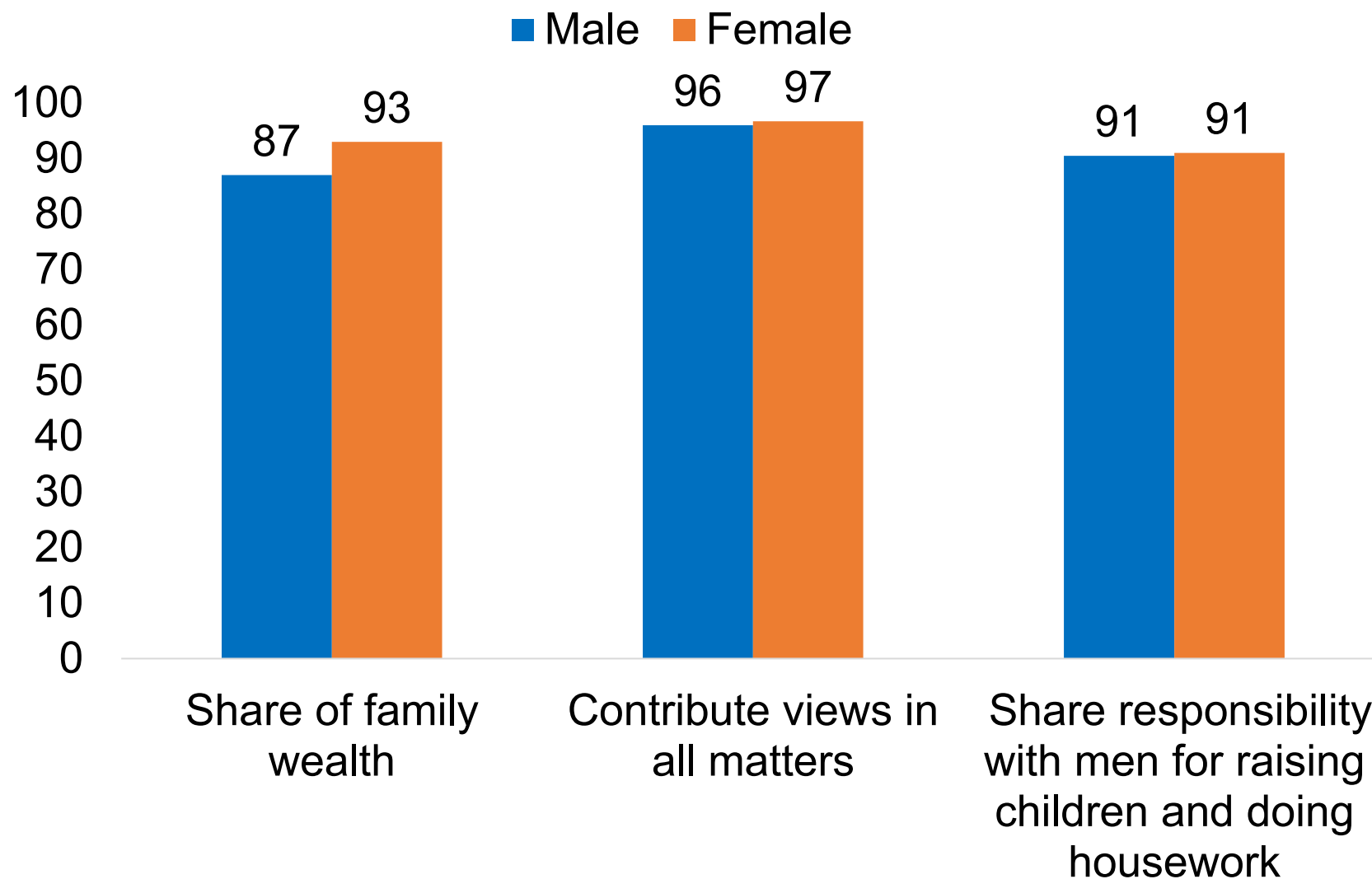


Perception that Violence Against Women and Girls is a violation of human rights, (%)



QN.
Is violence against women and girls a violation of human rights?

Perceptions on women's rights to... (%)



Qn:

- i) Women have a right to have equal share in the family's wealth.
- ii) Women have a right to contribute their views in all matters that affect them.
- iii) Women and men should share responsibility for raising children and doing housework.

- 1. Agree
- 2. Partially agree
- 3. Disagree

Note: Results include "Partially agree" or "Agree"

Summary

Nationwide, of the population aged 18 and above ;

- **89%** were aware of the different human rights
- **93%** have trust in the various Justice Systems.
- **57%** were aware of Government's effort to fight corruption, an increase from 54% in 2017
- **82%** had trust in the ability of Government to protect them and their property, an increase from 72% in 2017
- **60%** feel safe walking alone around the area they live (at night)

Nationwide, of the population aged 18 and above ;

- **14%** had at least one contact with a public official and paid a bribe to the public official
- **69%** were satisfied with their last experience of public services
- **39%** believe decision-making is inclusive and responsive
- **29%** reported having personally felt discriminated against or harassed in the previous 12 months prior to the survey



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