

# Palestinian Public Opinion Poll

Gaza, Government Performance, Living Conditions, Public Trust,  
and Expectations for the Future

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Gaza Strip**

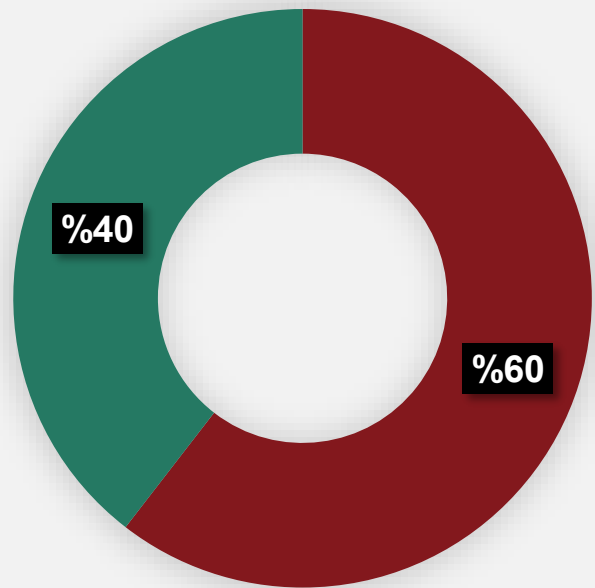
# Methodology

- Arab World for Research and Development (AWRAD) is pleased to present the findings of its latest public opinion survey, conducted between November 27 and December 2, 2024, across the West Bank and Gaza Strip. This survey builds on three previous rounds conducted in May, August, and October 2024.
- The survey addresses key issues faced by Palestinians amidst ongoing conflict, including current living conditions, security perceptions, access to basic services, and the humanitarian situation in both the West Bank and Gaza. It also explores public opinions on potential scenarios for ending the conflict, priorities for reconstruction and recovery, and expectations for the post-conflict period. In addition, the survey assesses public trust in major humanitarian aid providers, confidence in reconstruction efforts, evaluations of governance and leadership performance, and attitudes toward potential elections.
- Our team conducted computer-assisted face-to-face interviews with 704 Palestinians, including 421 in the West Bank and 283 in Gaza. The fieldwork was carried out by a dedicated team of 32 trained enumerators.
- AWRAD covered all governorates in the West Bank and three governorates in Gaza, reaching 98% of the population. The two excluded governorates, Rafah and North Gaza, were not included due to ongoing military activity in those areas.
- Using the 2017 Population Census as a sampling frame, a total of 704 households were selected under a stratified cluster sample design. The sample was proportionally stratified by governorates, with the West Bank further stratified by urbanicity (urban, rural, camp). [Enumeration areas](#) were the primary sampling unit, selected randomly from the 2023 list of Enumeration Areas. Once an enumeration area was selected, a random start point was generated. From there, enumerators followed a random walk, selecting respondents using a Kish table and ensuring a 50/50 gender quota.
- The final sample was weighted by gender, age, and educational attainment according to data from the [Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics \(PCBS\)](#), updated to the [2017 Census \(December 2023\)](#).
- The response rate was 89%, and the margin of error for the midrange of the full sample is  $\pm 3.7$  points at a 95% confidence interval.
- Please note that charts and graphs may not total 100% due to rounding. Base numbers are weighted.

# Section One: Sample Distribution

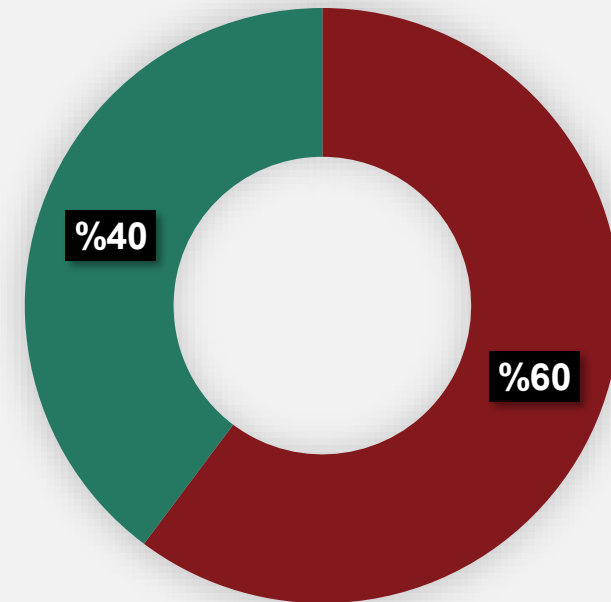
# Distribution by Region and Refugee Status

Regional distribution



■ West Bank    ■ Gaza Strip

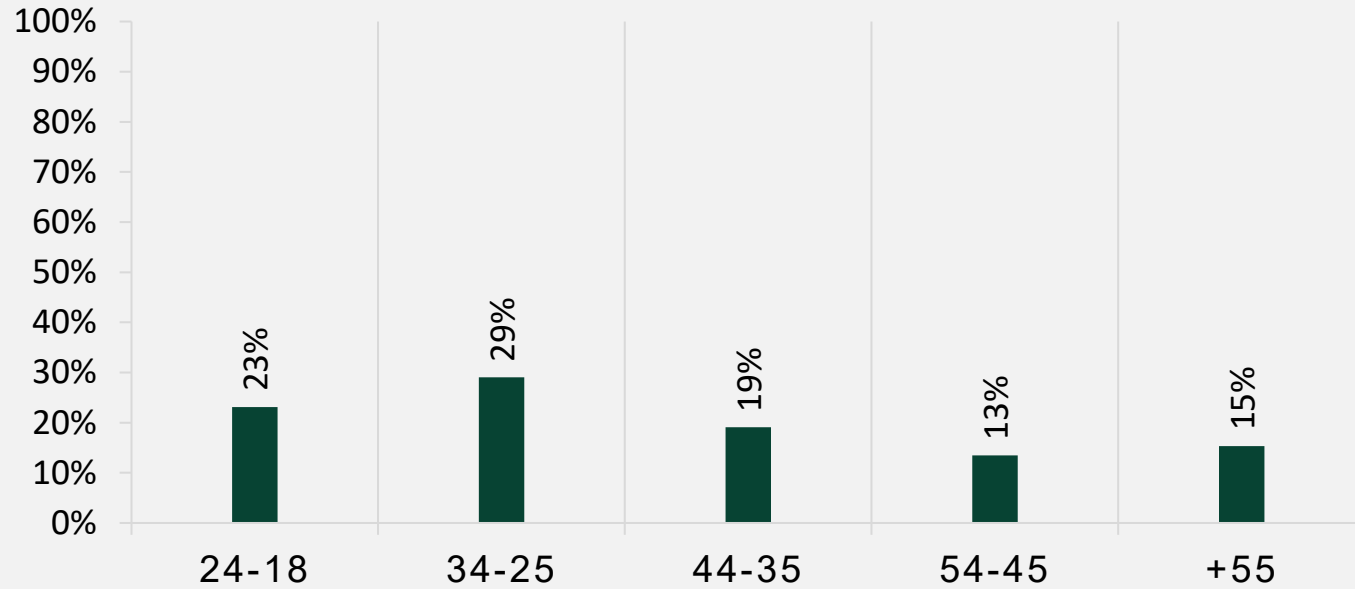
Refugee status



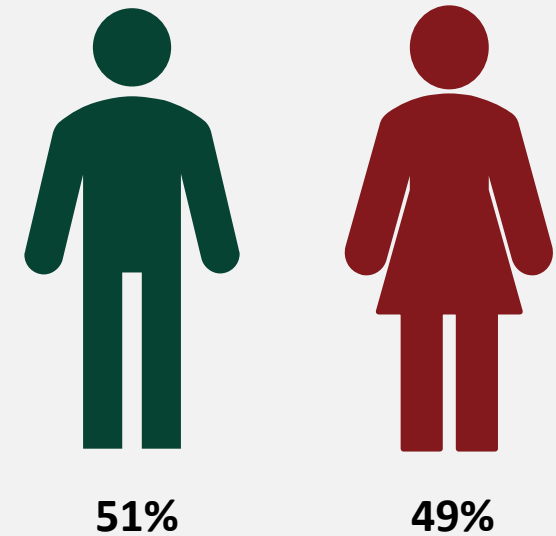
■ Non-Refugee    ■ Refugee

# Distribution by Age and Gender of Respondent

Age distribution

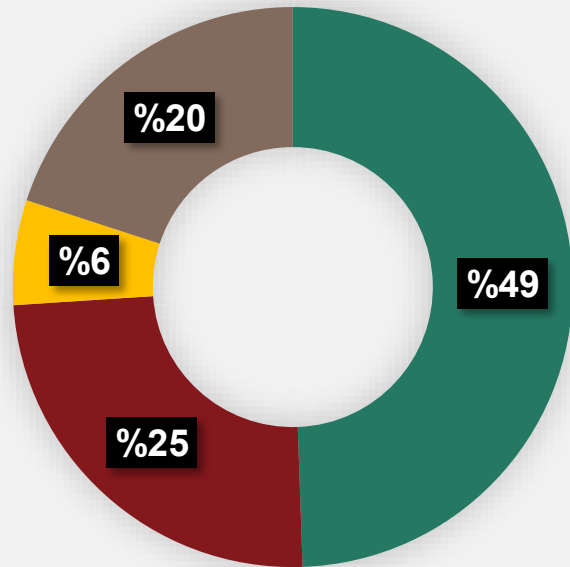


Gender distribution



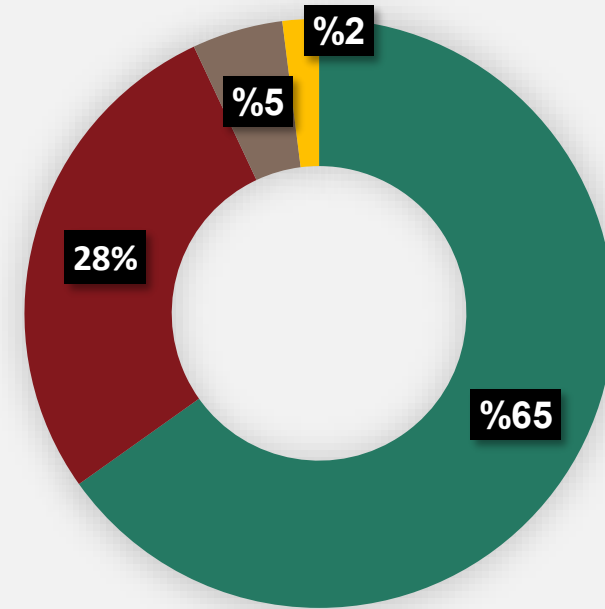
# Distribution by Educational Attainment and Marital Status

Educational attainment



■ 9 Years of schooling or less   ■ 10-12 Years of schooling  
■ 1 to 2-Year college diploma   ■ BA or more

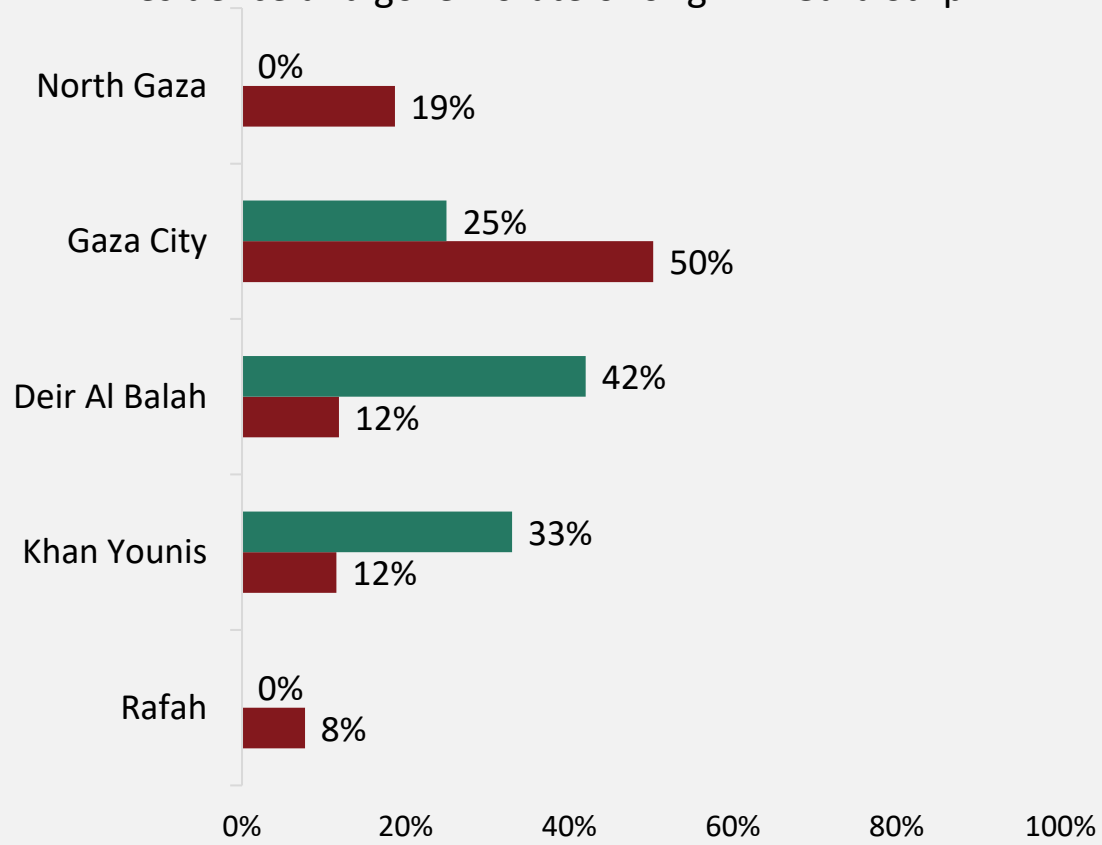
Marital status



■ Married   ■ Single   ■ Widowed   ■ Divorced/Separated

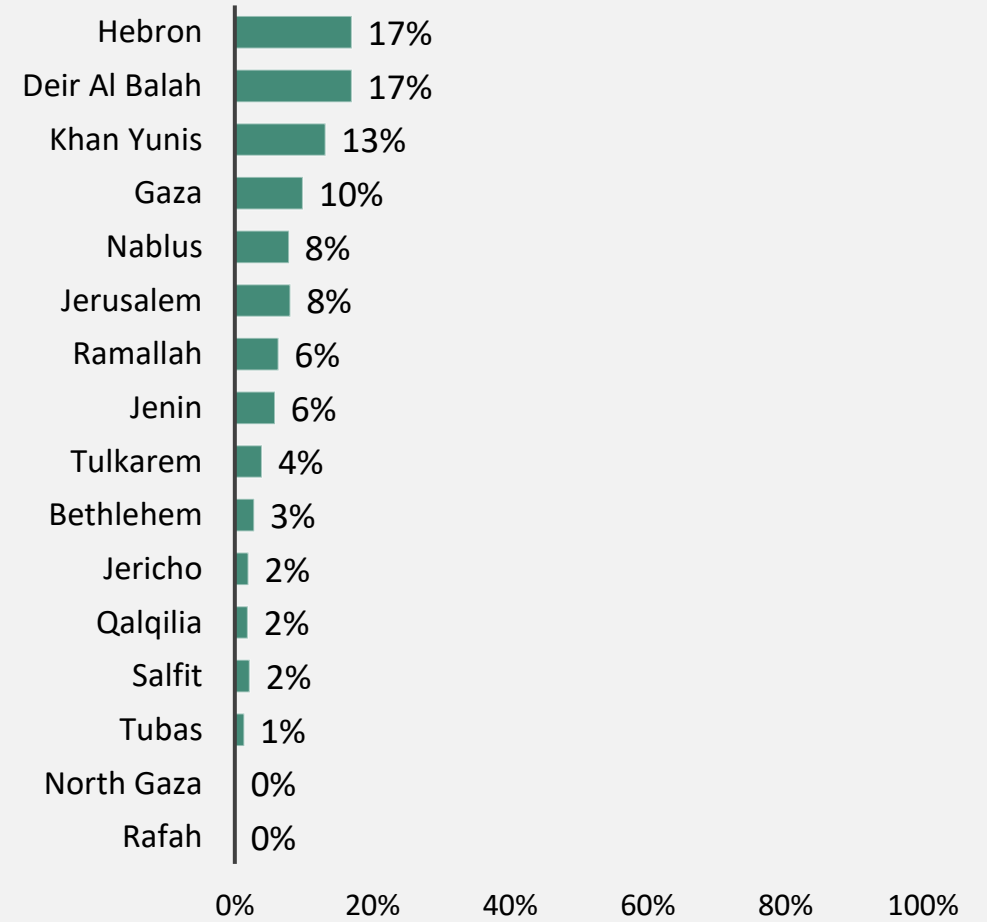
# Distribution by Governorate of Present Residence, and Governorate of Origin

Comparison between current governorate of residence and governorate of origin in Gaza Strip



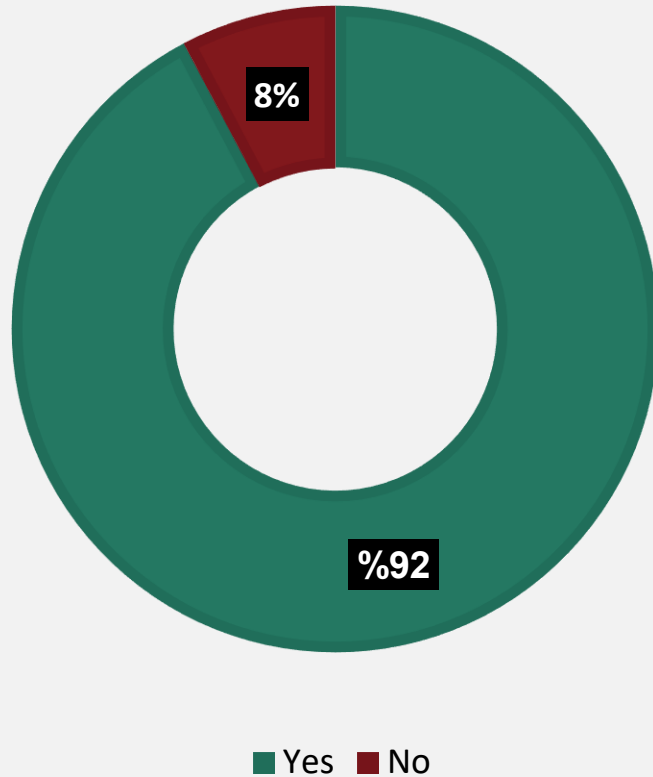
■ Present governorate of residence (n= 283)  
 ■ Governorate of origin (n= 283)

Governorate of present residence

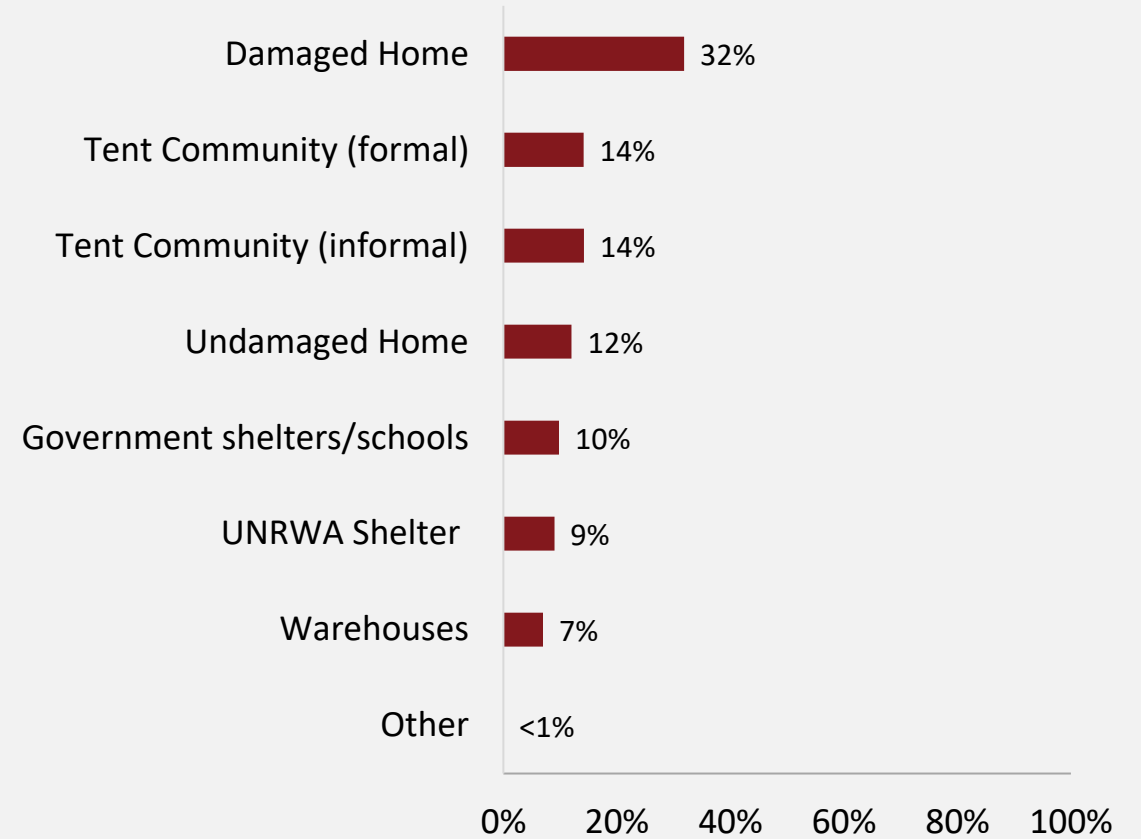


# Distribution by Displacement and Type of Residence - Gaza Respondents Only

Displacement due to the war



Current type of residence

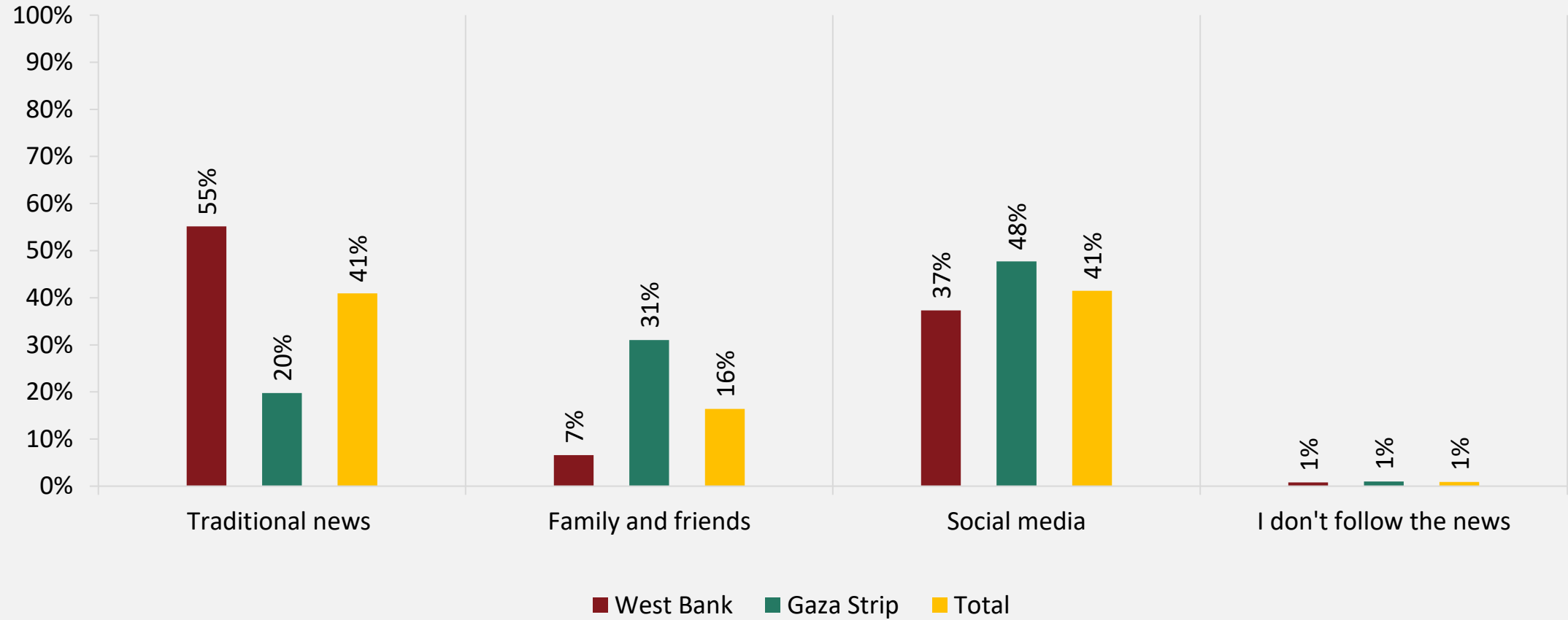




## Section Two: News and Information Sources

# Primary Source of News

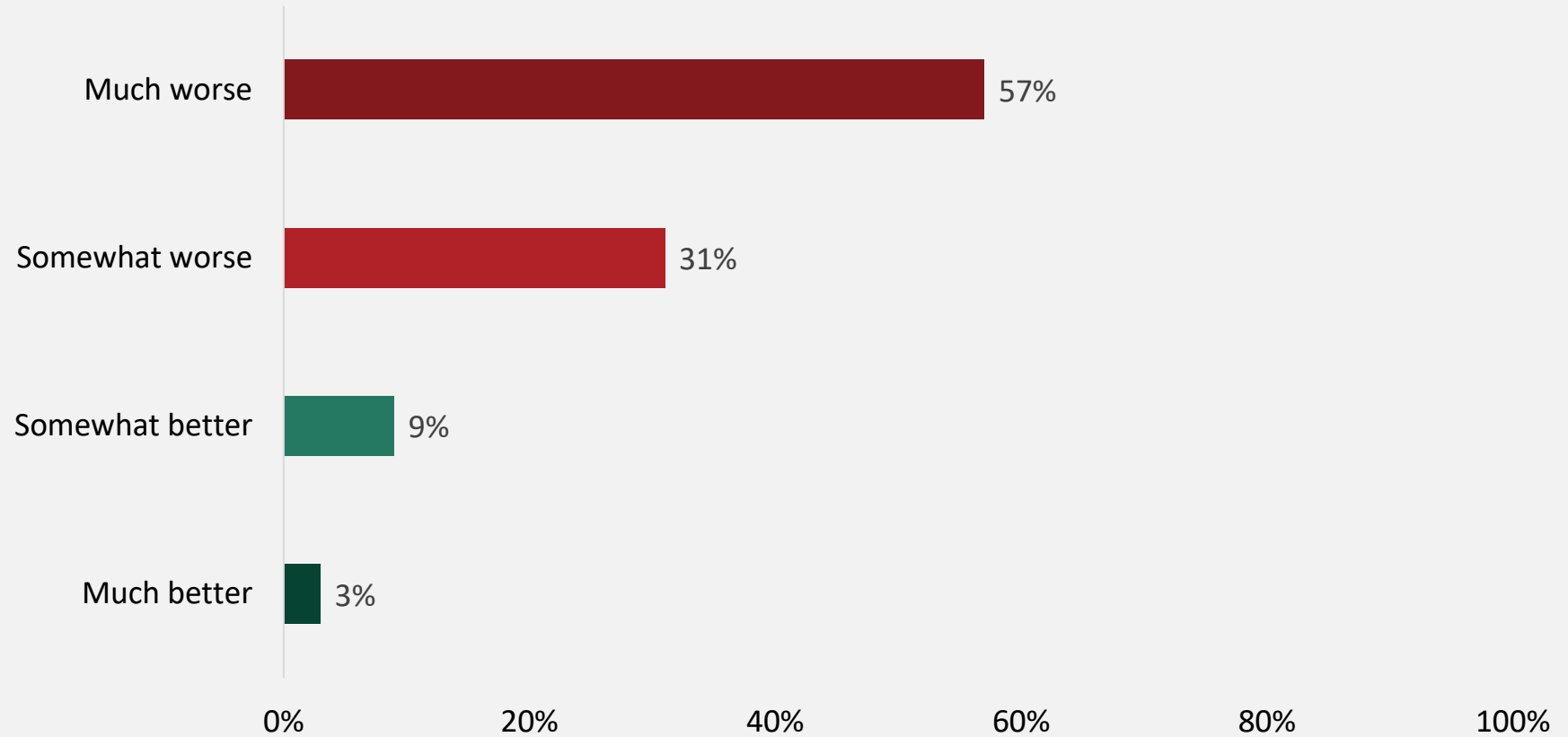
What is your primary source of news and information?



# Section Three: Assessment of Present Conditions and Future Outlook

# Economic Conditions - West Bank Respondents Only

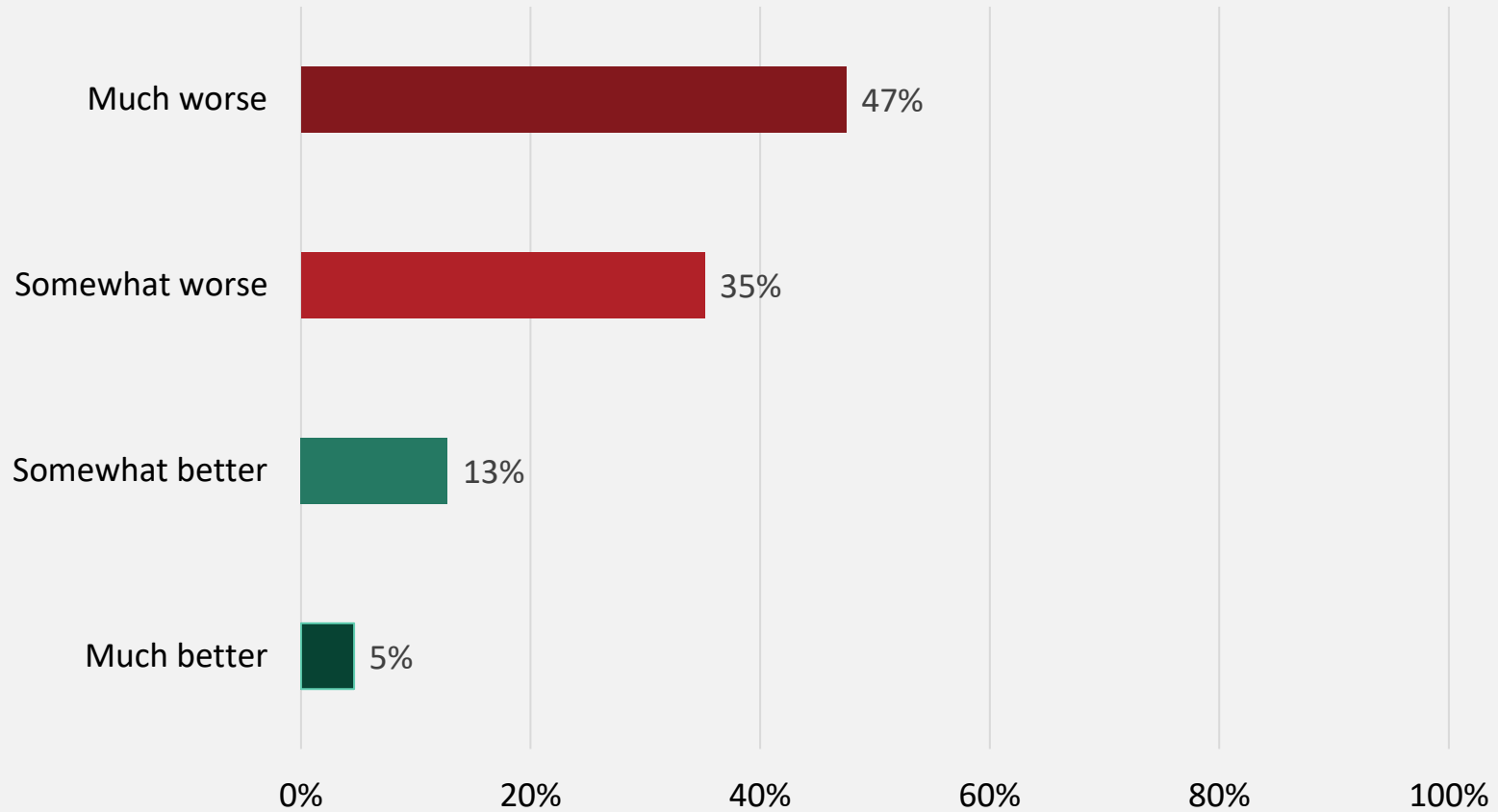
Is your household's economic situation better or worse than it was a year ago?



(West Bank respondents only n = 421)

# Security Conditions - West Bank Respondents Only

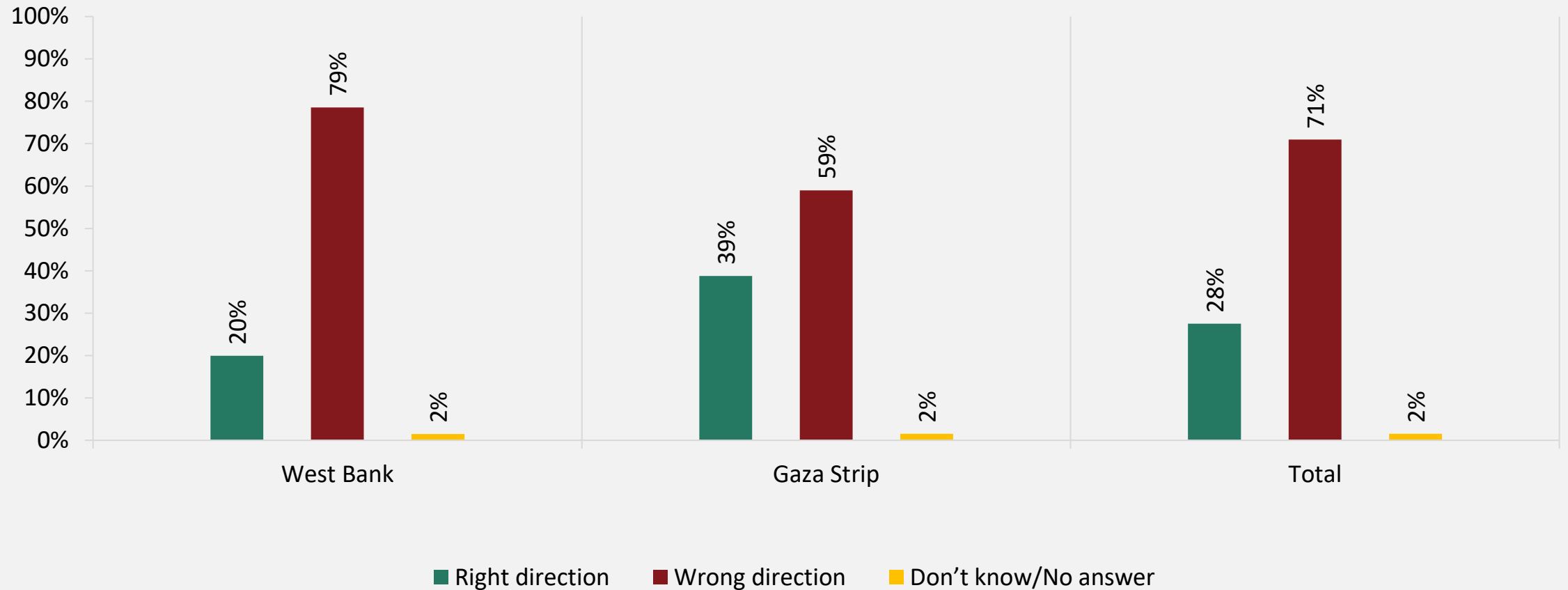
Do you feel that security in your region is better or worse than it was a year ago?



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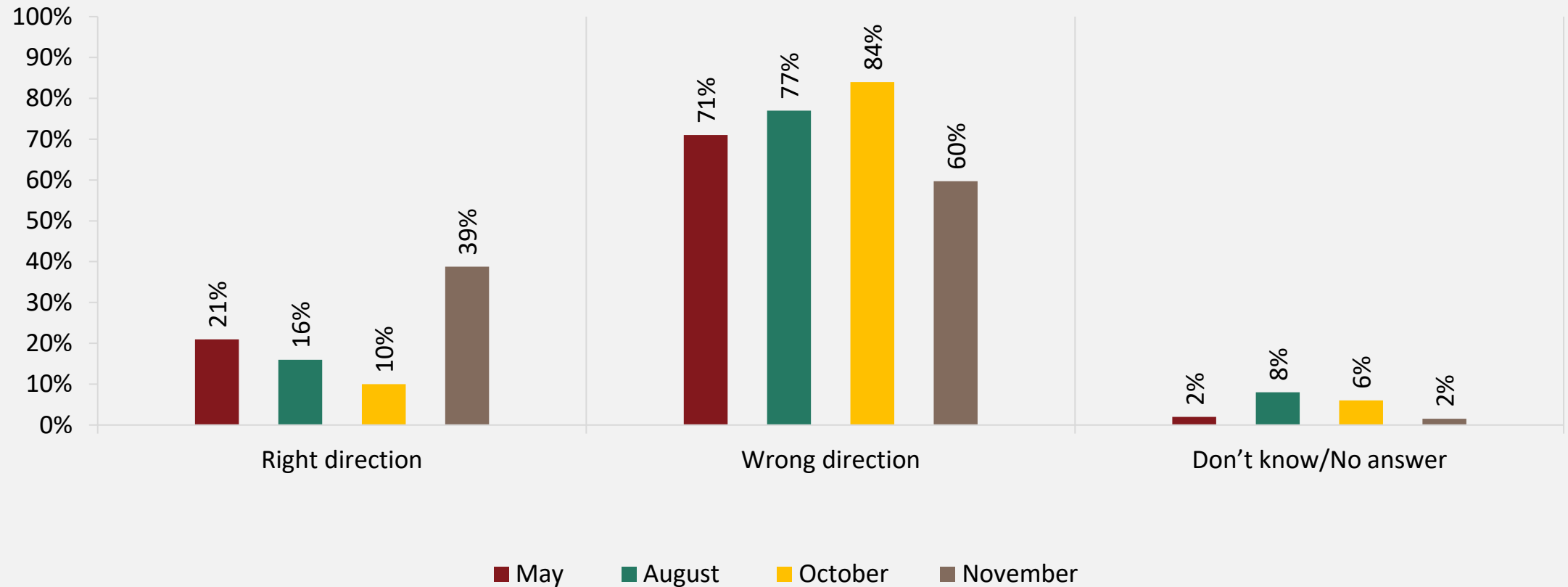
# Views of the Present Conditions among Palestinians

Would you say that things in Palestine are heading in the right direction or the wrong direction?



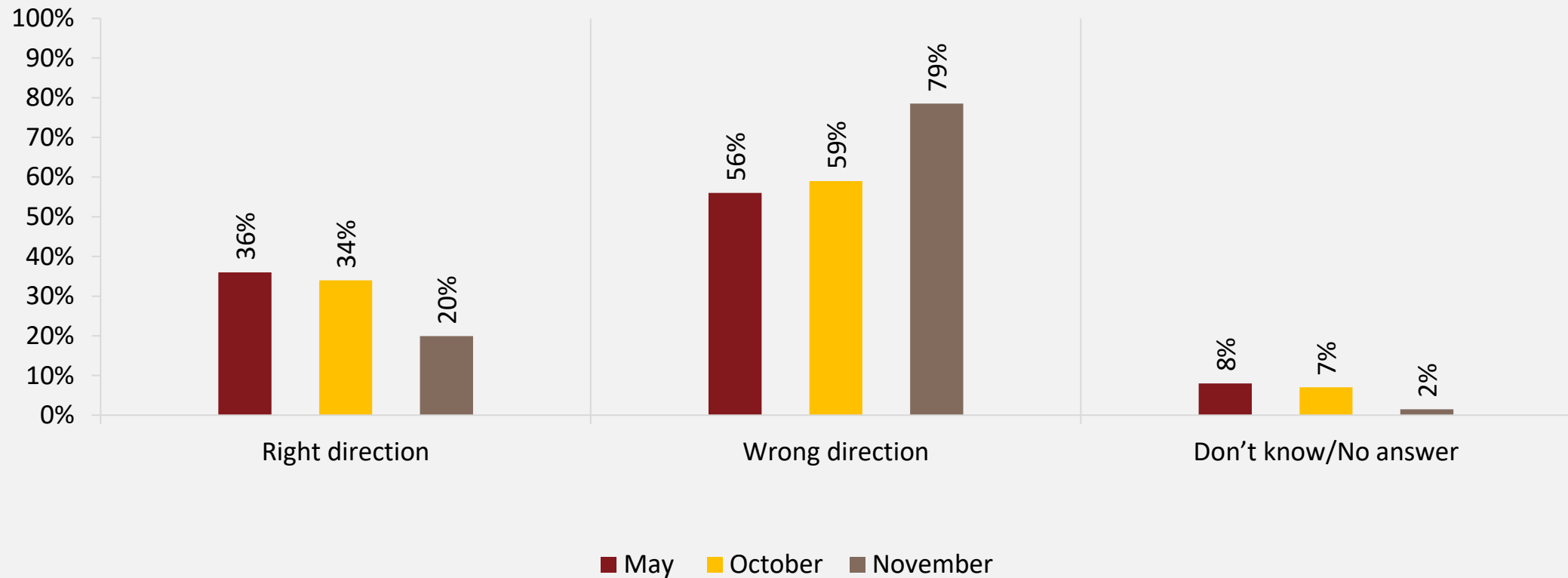
# Views of the Present Conditions among Respondents in Gaza (Comparative Results)

Would you say that things in Palestine are heading in the right direction or the wrong direction?



# Views of the Present Conditions among Respondents in the West Bank (Comparative Results)

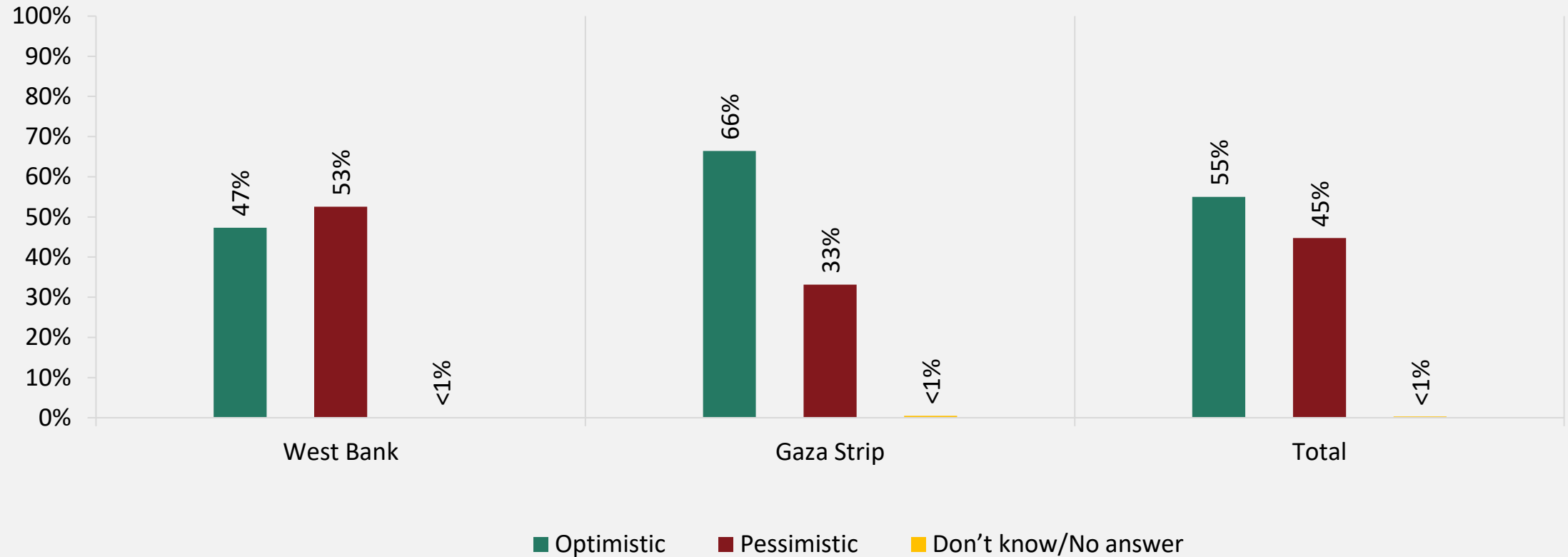
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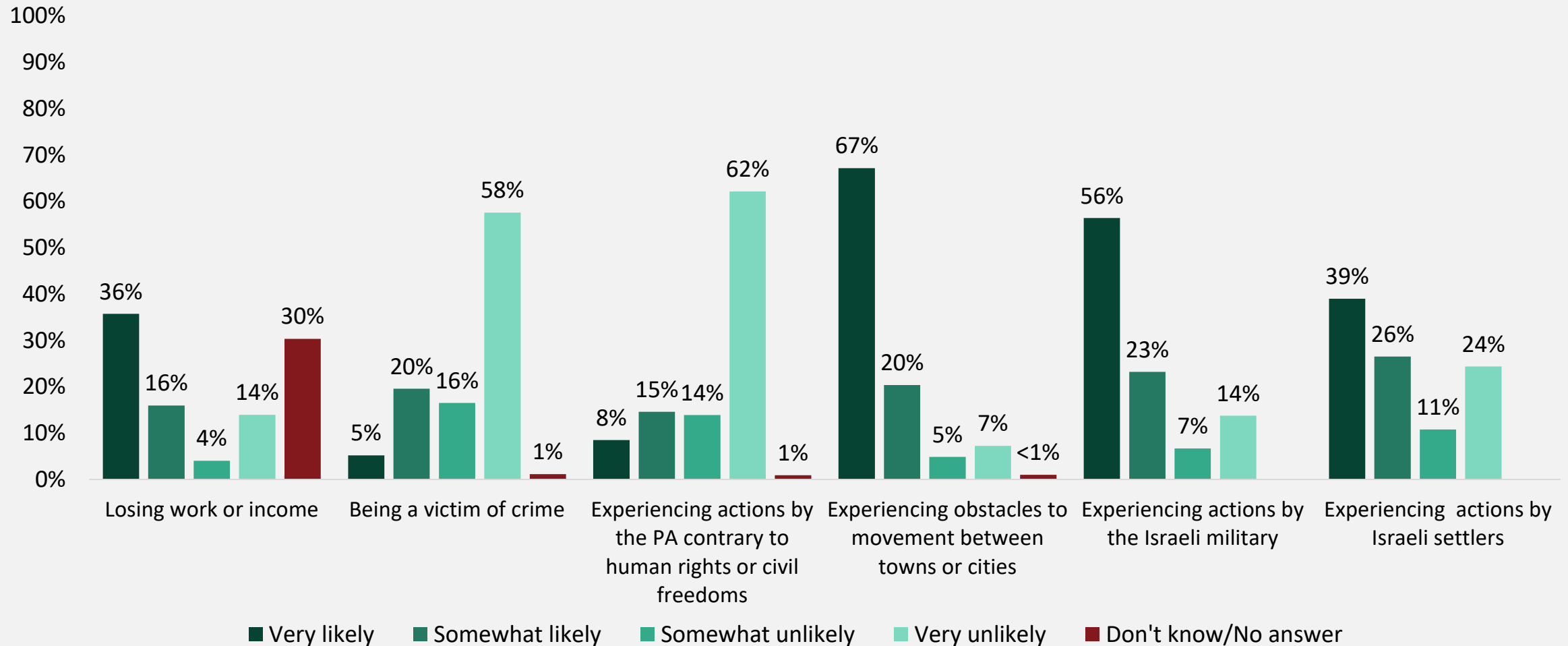
# Views of the Future among Palestinians

Are you optimistic or pessimistic about the future?



# Perception of surrounding “Risks” among West Bank Respondents Only

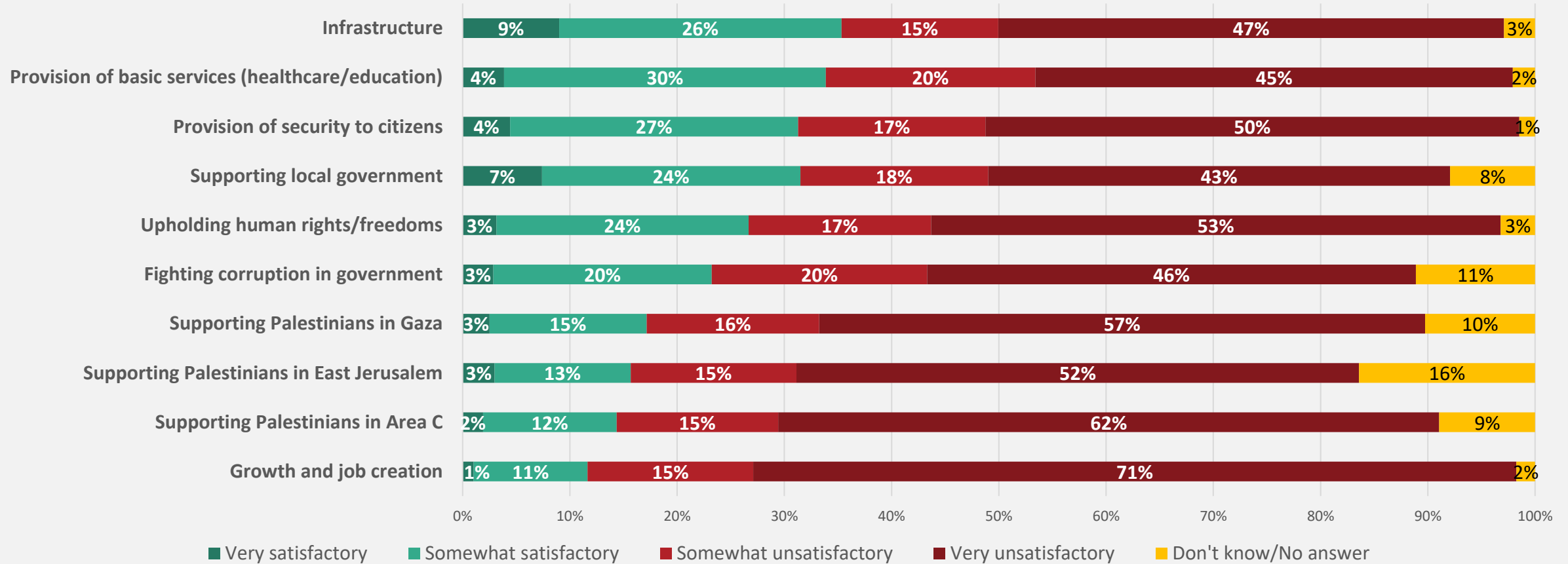
How likely or unlikely is each of the following events going to happen to you personally?



# Section Four: Evaluation of the Palestinian Authority Government's Performance and Public Perceptions

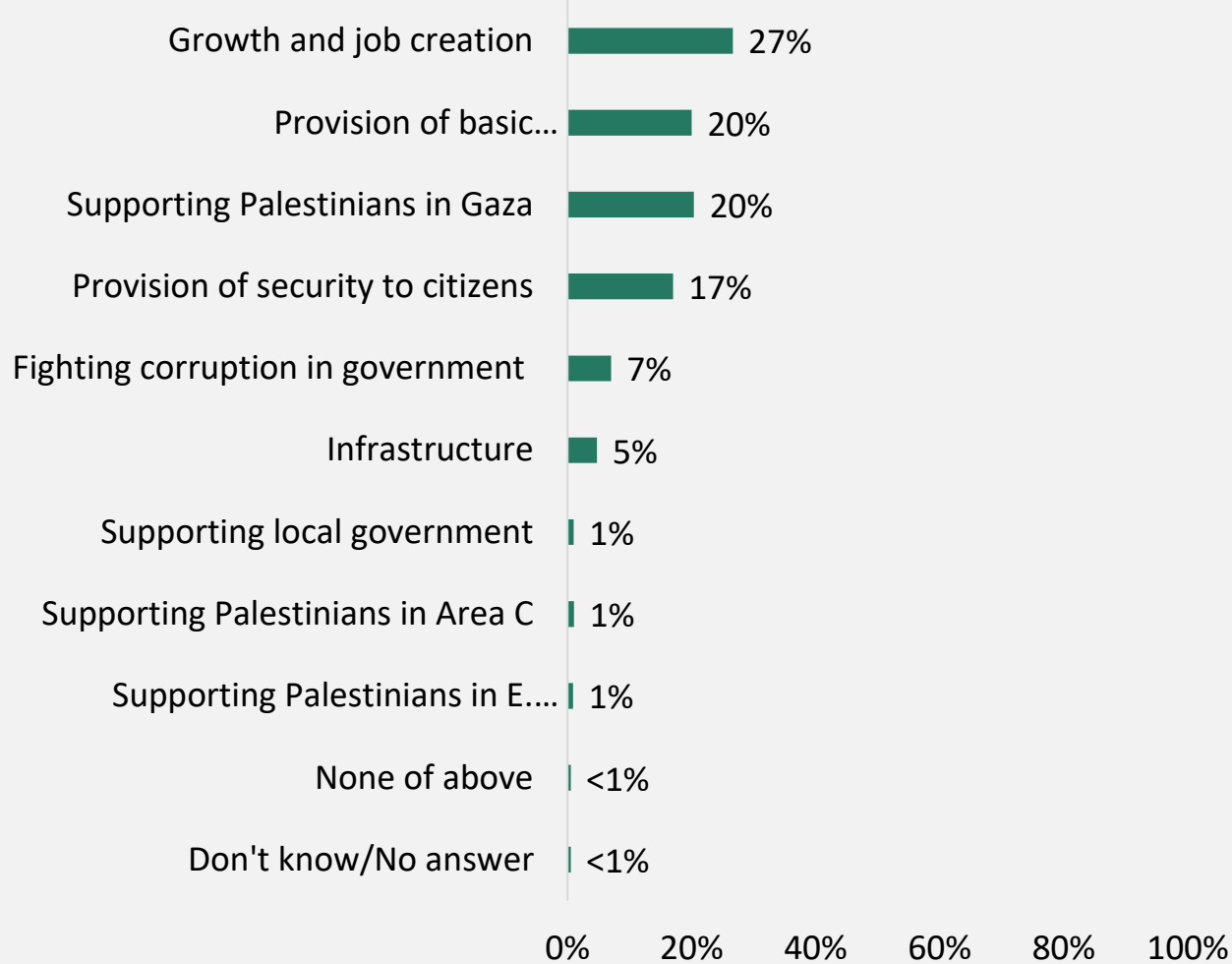
# Performance Evaluation of the Current PA Government Under Dr. Mohammad Mustafa West Bank Respondents Only

Eight months after its appointment, please assess the performance of the current PA Government, led by Dr. Mohammad Mustafa, in the following areas of life?

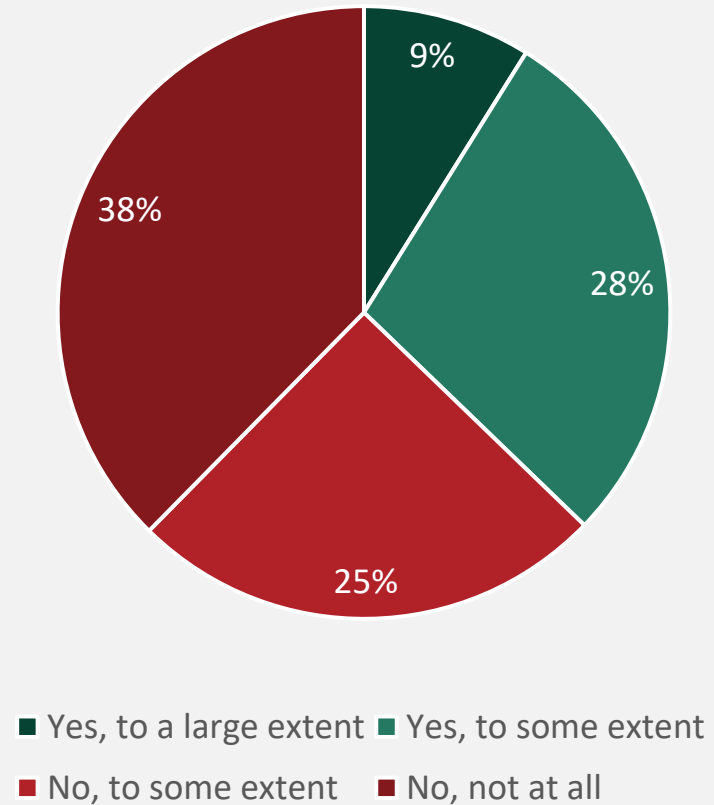


# Most Concerning Issues West Bank Respondents Only

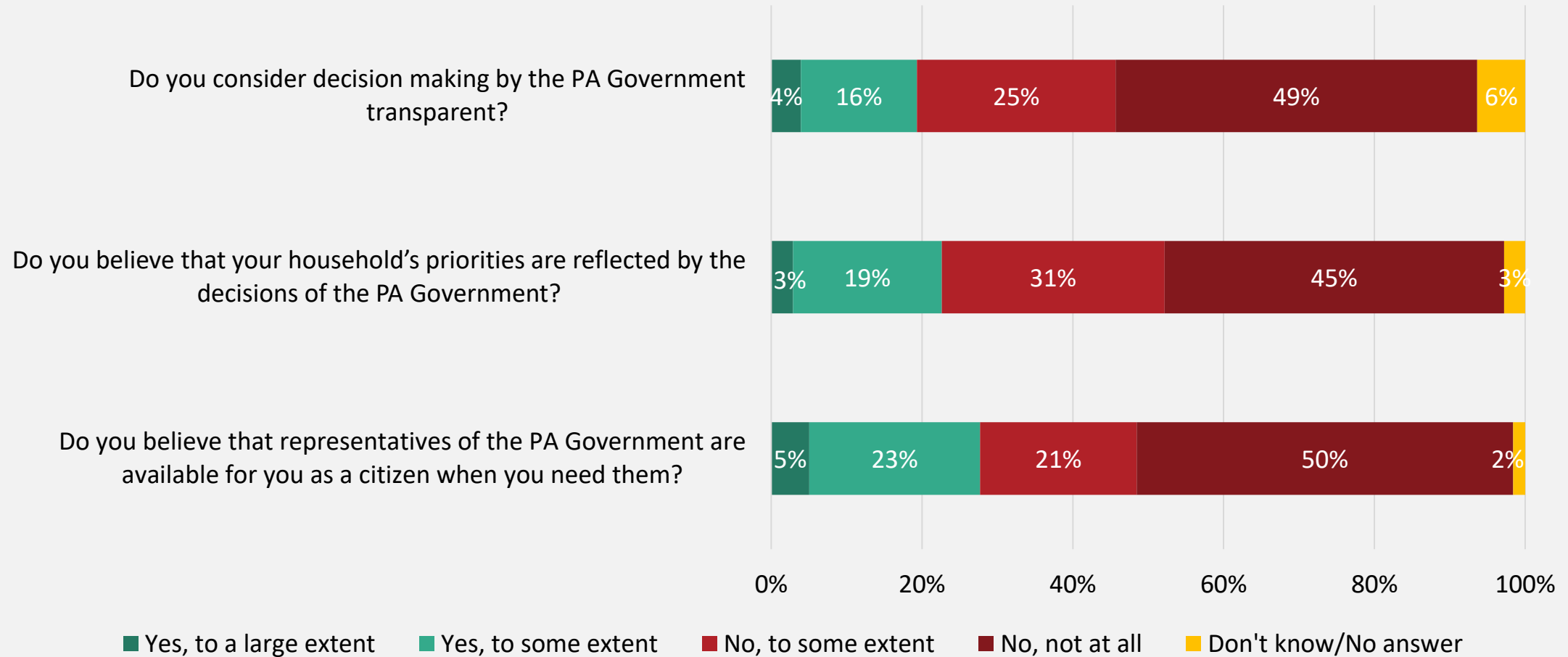
Of the below-listed issues, which issue is most concerning to you?



On the issue you selected, are you familiar with the official positions or policies of the PA Government? (Respondents who selected an issue n= (419)



# Familiarity with PA Government's Official Positions or Policies West Bank Respondents Only

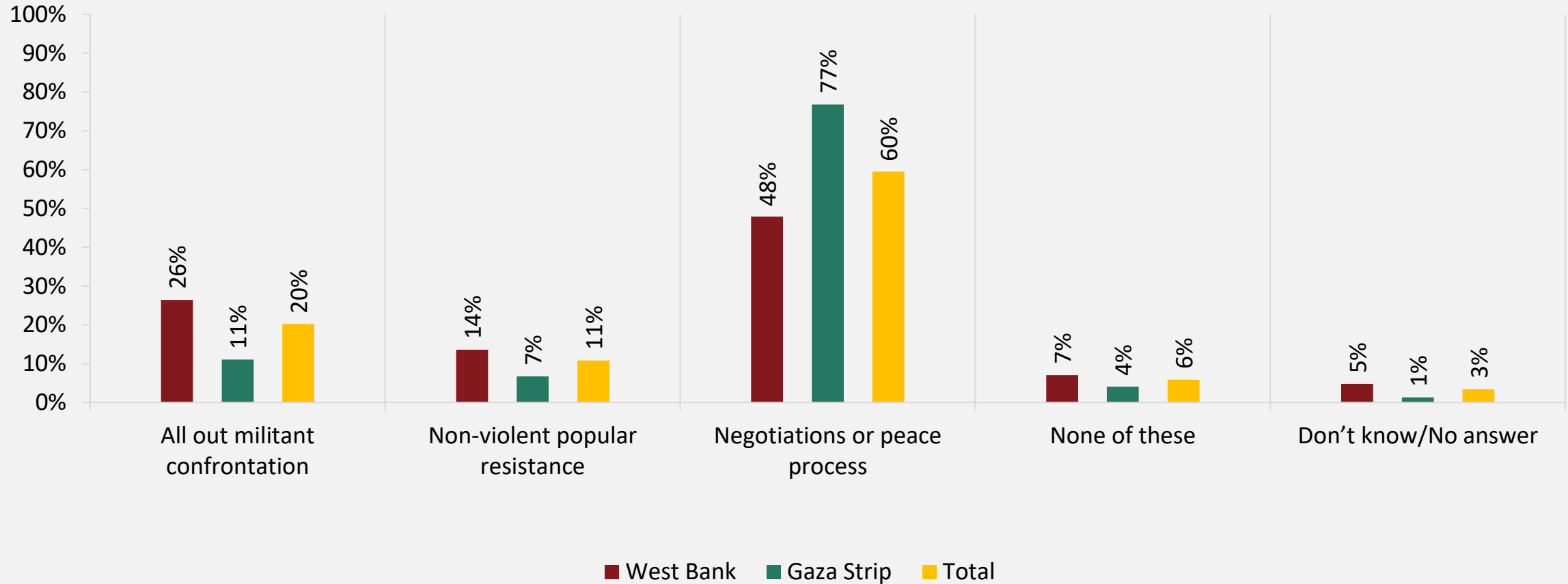


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# Section Five: Peace Process and Prospective Solutions

# Strategies for Ending Occupation and Achieving an Independent Palestinian State

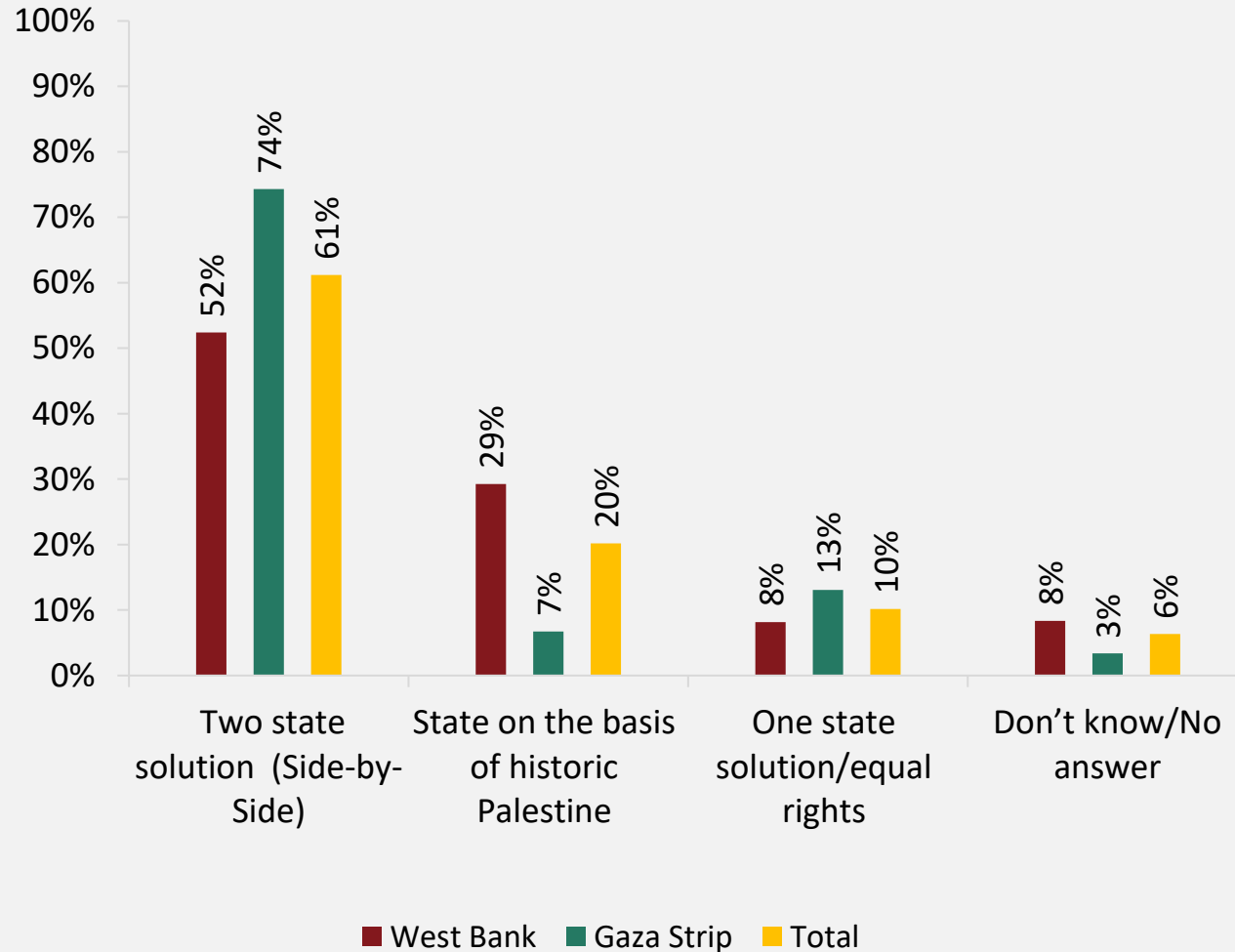
Given the present conditions, which of the following do you believe is most helpful to end the occupation and achieve an independent state?



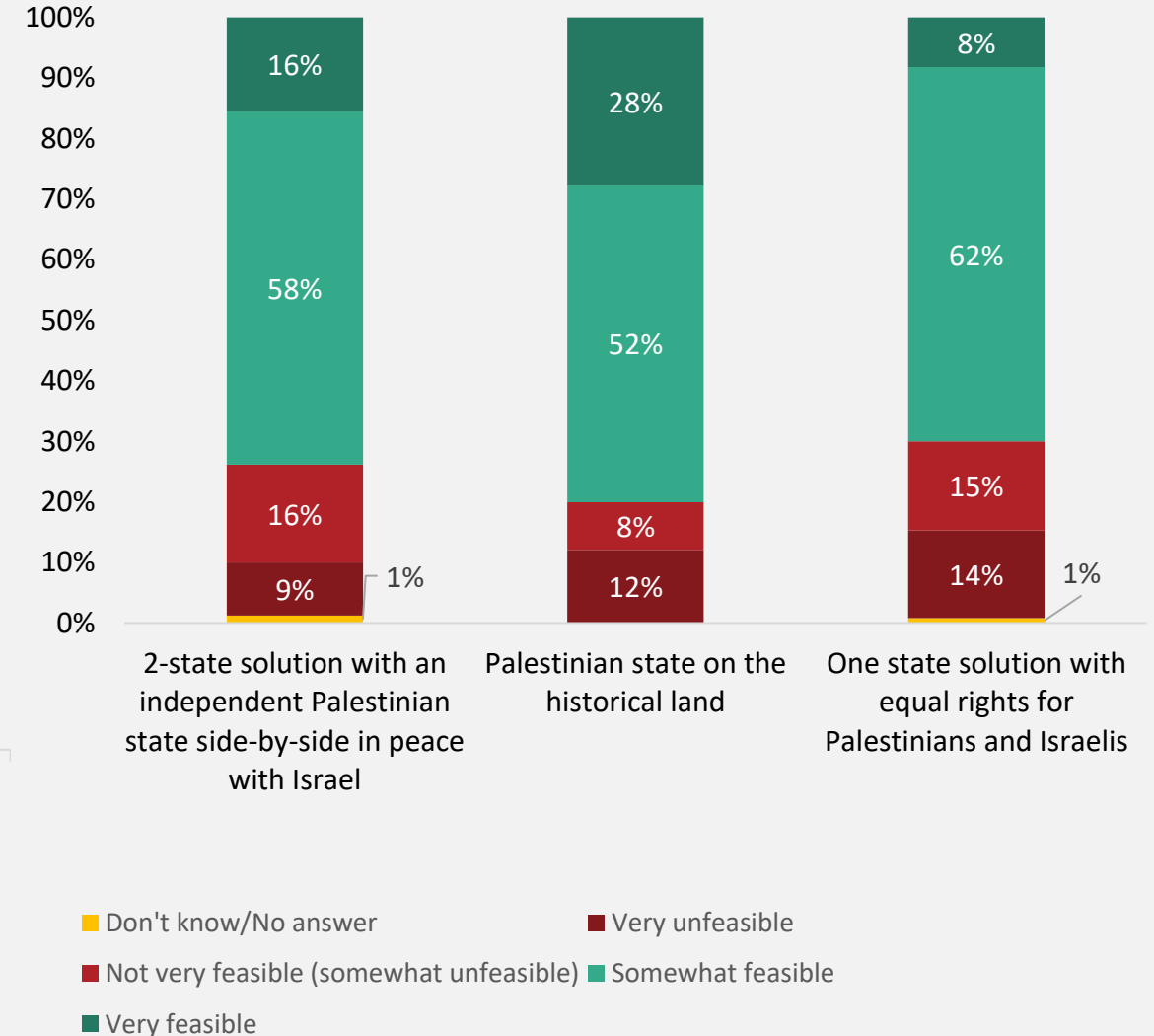


# Views of Potential Final-Status Solutions

If presented with the following as viable options, which would you most prefer to achieve an end to the current crisis?



How feasible do you believe is the achievement of this option in the foreseen future? 'Among those respondents who prefer a specific option to end the crisis' n=600

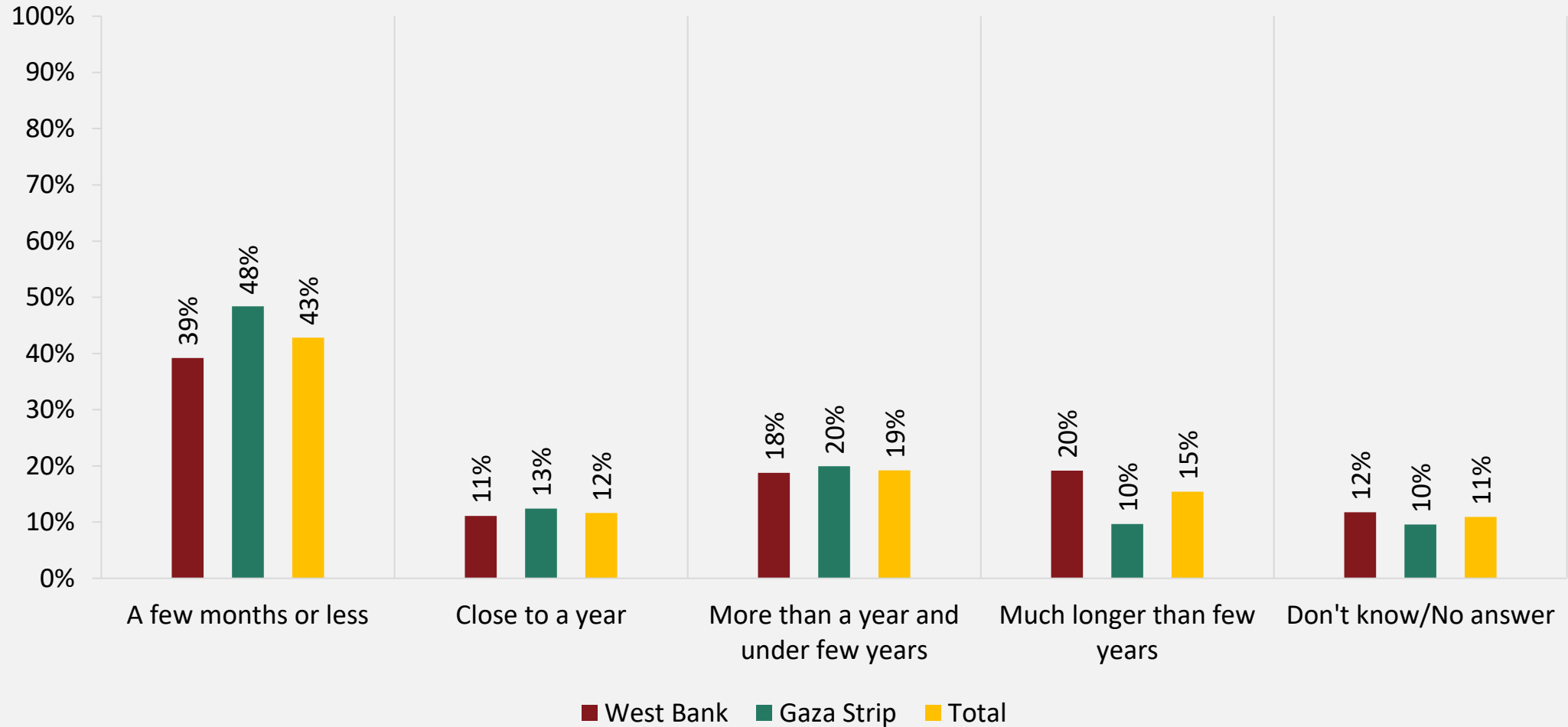


\*State on the basis of historic Palestine was a spontaneous response

# **Section Six: The Day After (Assessment of the Role of Key Actors, Humanitarian Assistance, and Governance)**

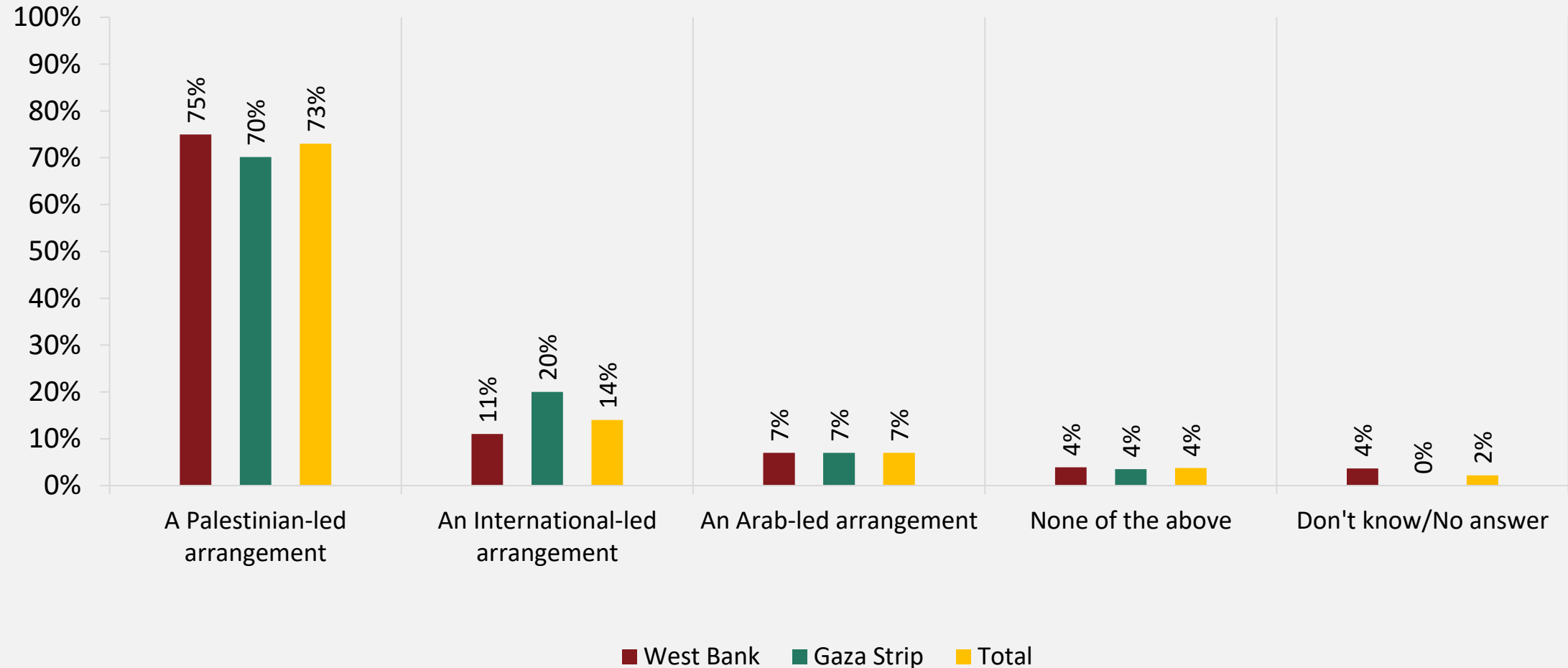
# Perceptions of the Future of Israeli Presence in Gaza

Do you believe that the Israeli presence or occupation in Gaza will continue for...



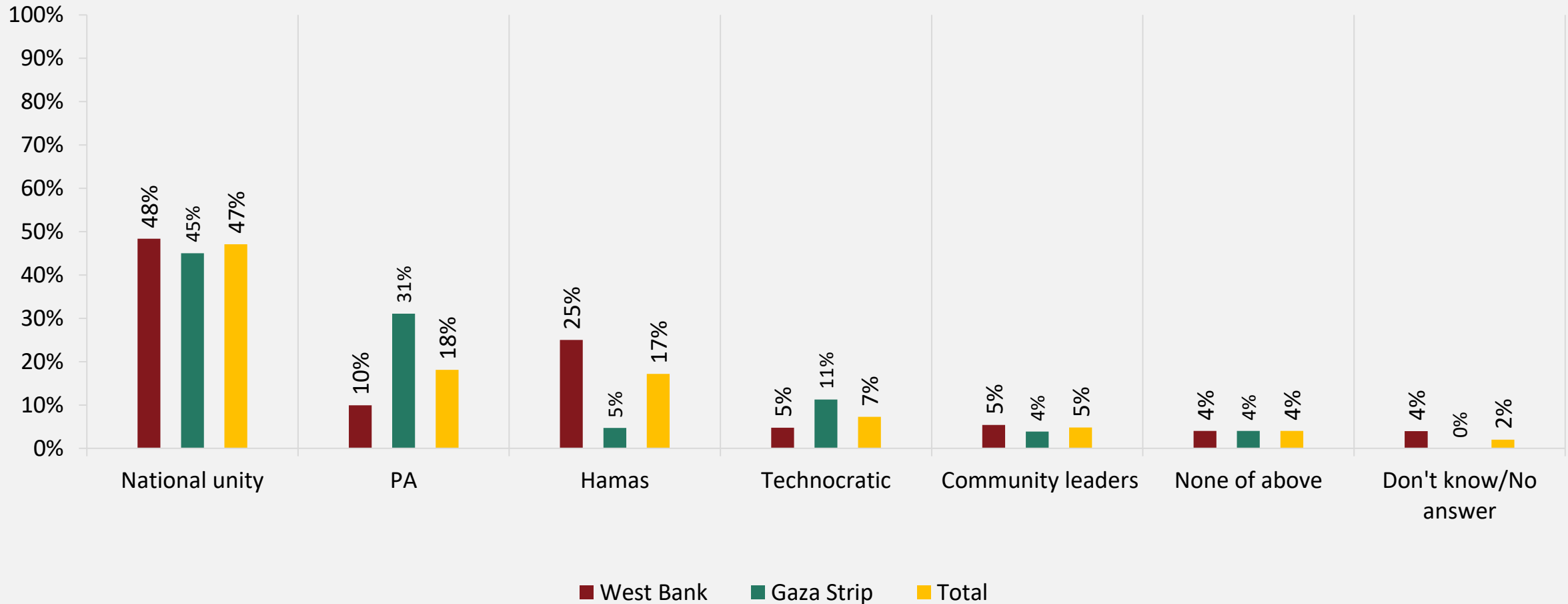
# Trust in Key Actors to Lead Government Functions in Gaza after the War

Which among the following do you trust the most to provide the functions of government in Gaza after the war?



# Trusted Palestinian Actors to Lead Government Functions in Gaza after the War

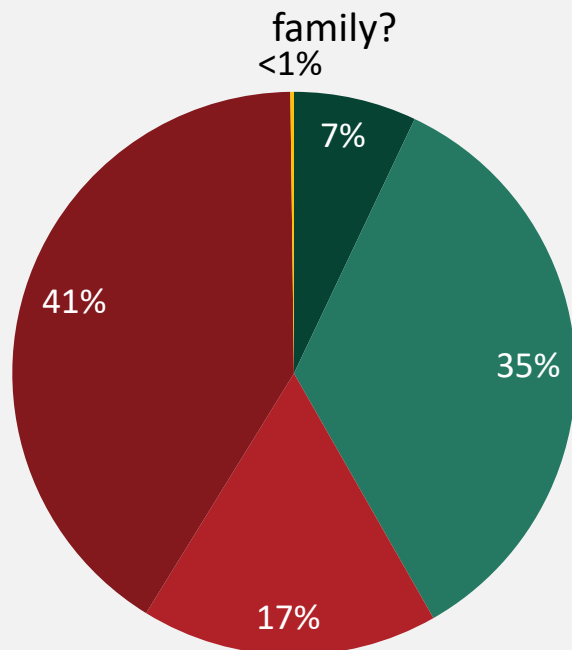
If a Palestinian-led Government, which among the following Palestinian actors do you trust the most leading the government in Gaza?



(Respondents only who said Palestinian-Led, n =513)

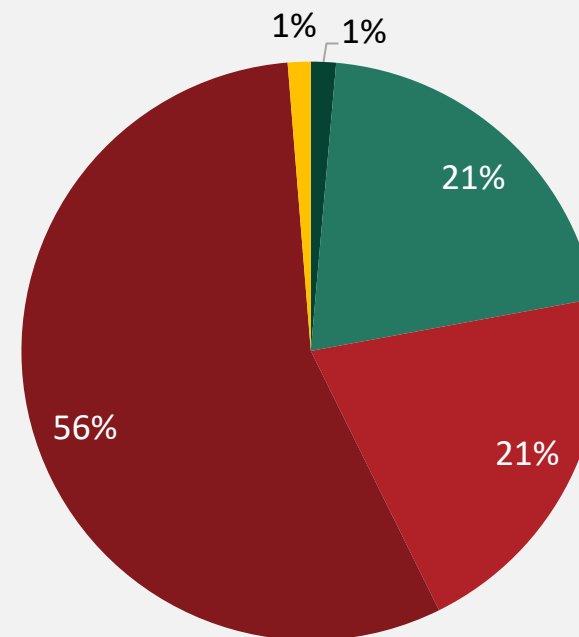
# Perceptions of the Emergency Response in Gaza: Aid and Humanitarian Assistance

How satisfied are you regarding the performance of international humanitarian agencies in providing necessary support and services for yourself and your family?



- Satisfied, to a large extent
- Satisfied, to some extent
- Not satisfied, to some extent
- Not satisfied at all
- Don't know/No answer

In your opinion, are aid and services being provided fairly to the residents of Gaza?

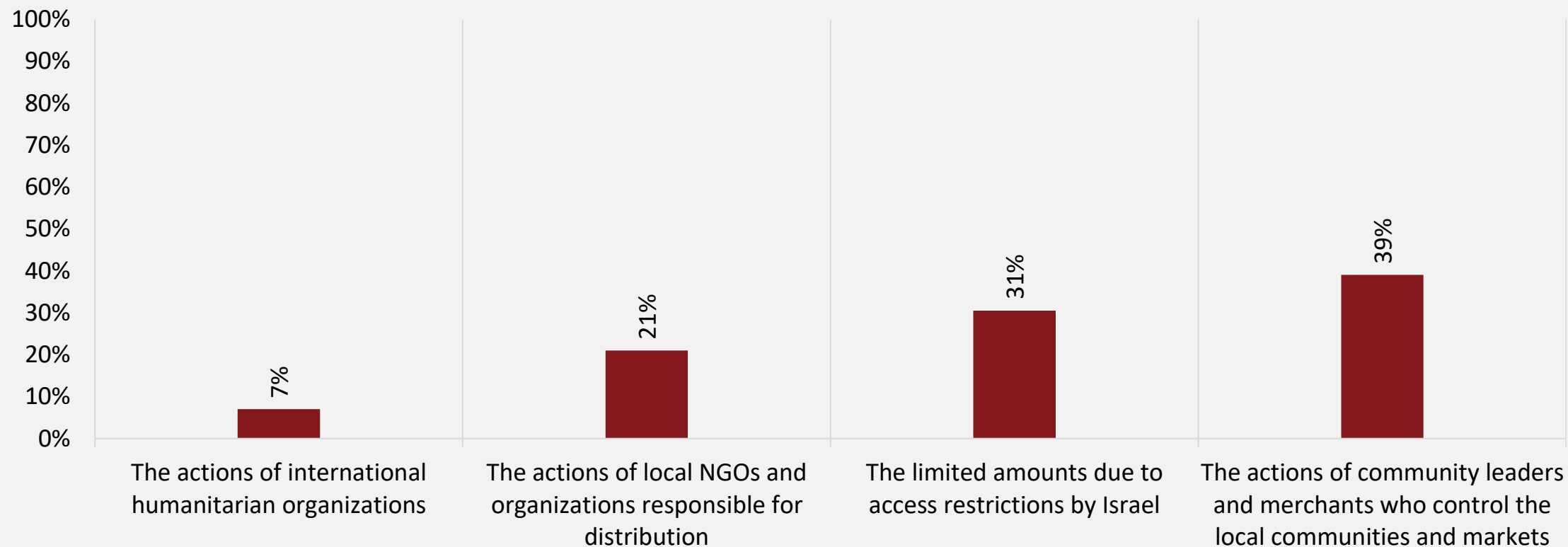


- Yes, to a large extent
- Yes, to some extent
- No, to some extent
- No, not at all
- Don't know/No answer

(Gaza Strip respondents only n = 283)

# Perceptions of the Emergency Response in Gaza: Aid and Humanitarian Assistance

What do you think is the main reason or who do you blame most for that (unfair distribution of assistance)?



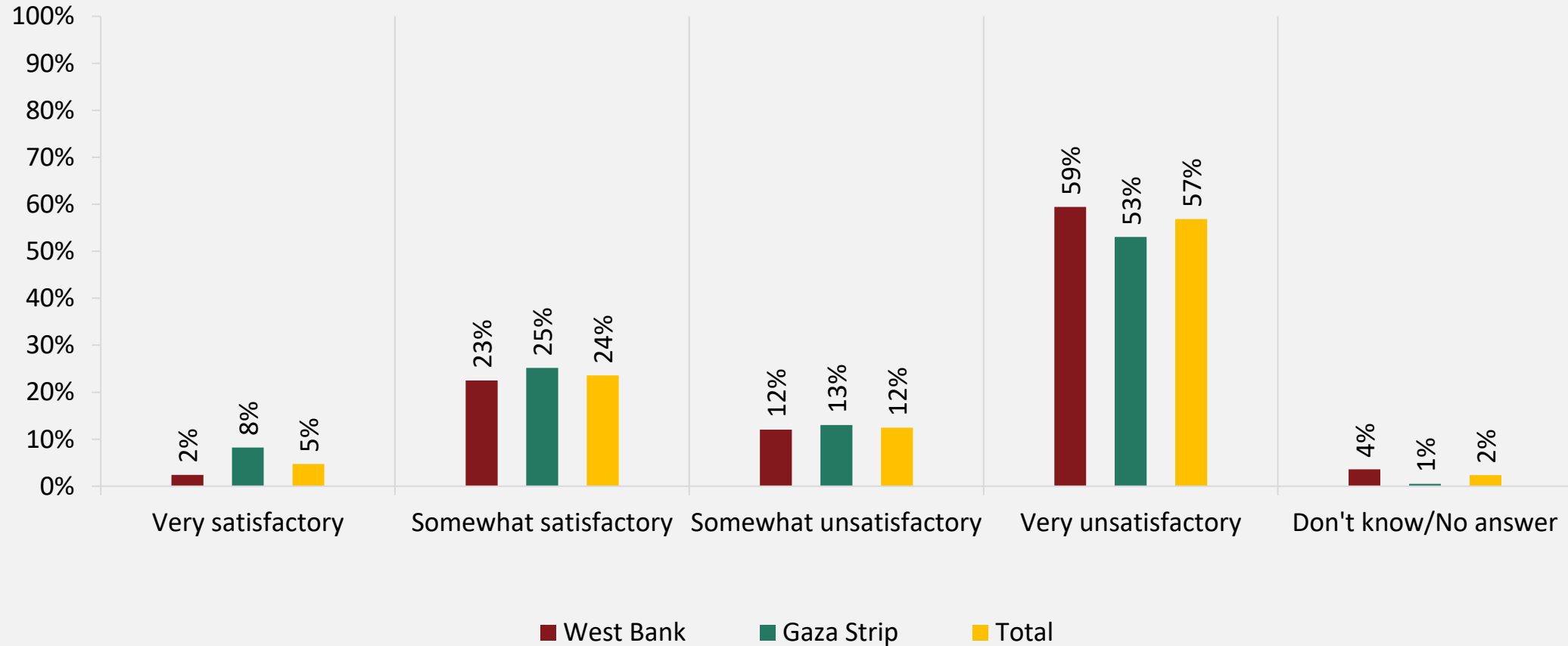
(Gaza strip respondents only who said aid and services are being provided 'to some extent' or 'not all' to the previous question n = 273)

# Section Seven: Assessment of the Role of Palestinian President and PA Government



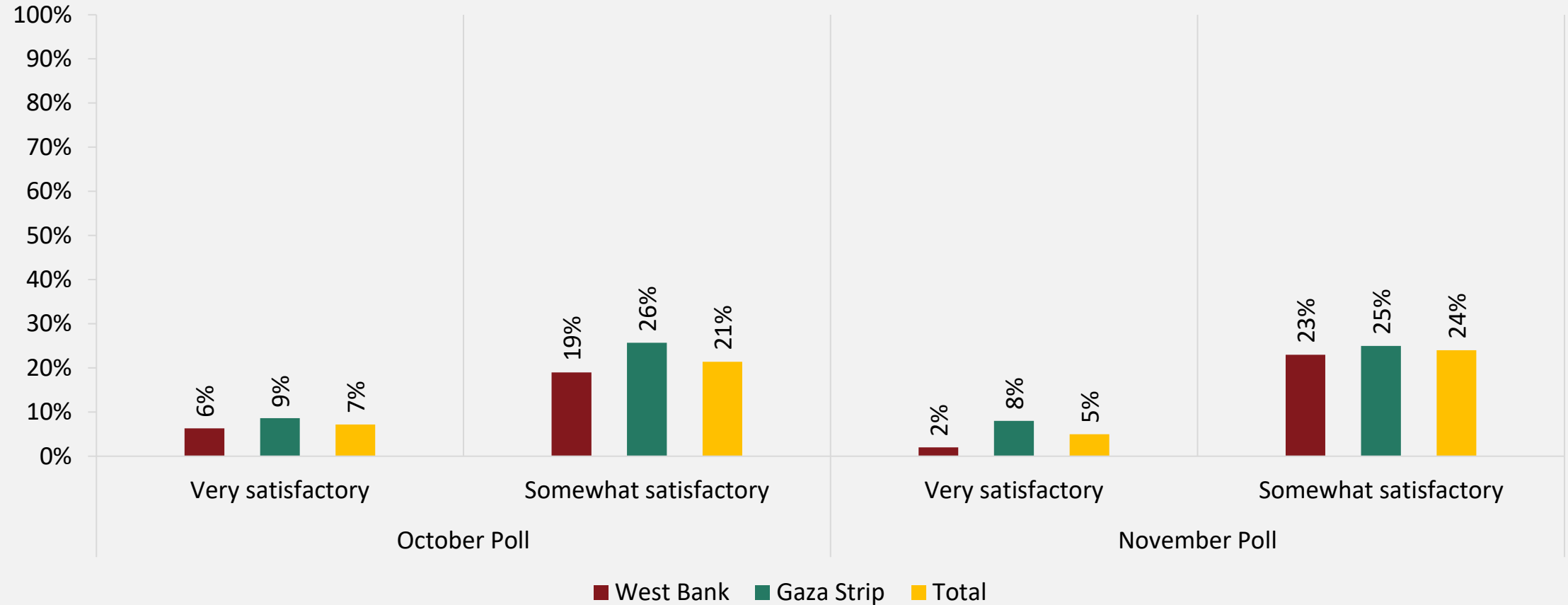
# Satisfaction with the overall Performance of the PA President Mahmoud Abbas

How do you evaluate the overall performance of Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas (Abu Mazen)?



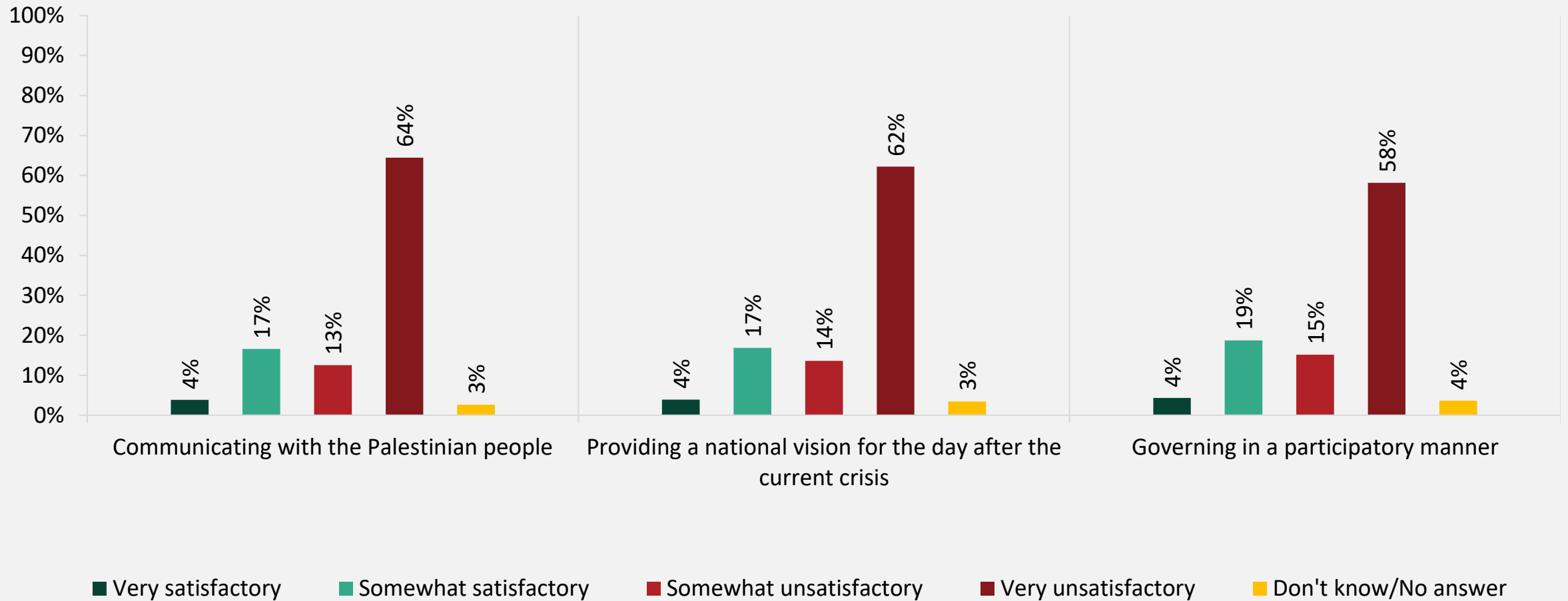
# Satisfaction with the PA President's Performance: October vs. November Polls

How do you evaluate the overall performance of Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas (Abu Mazen)?



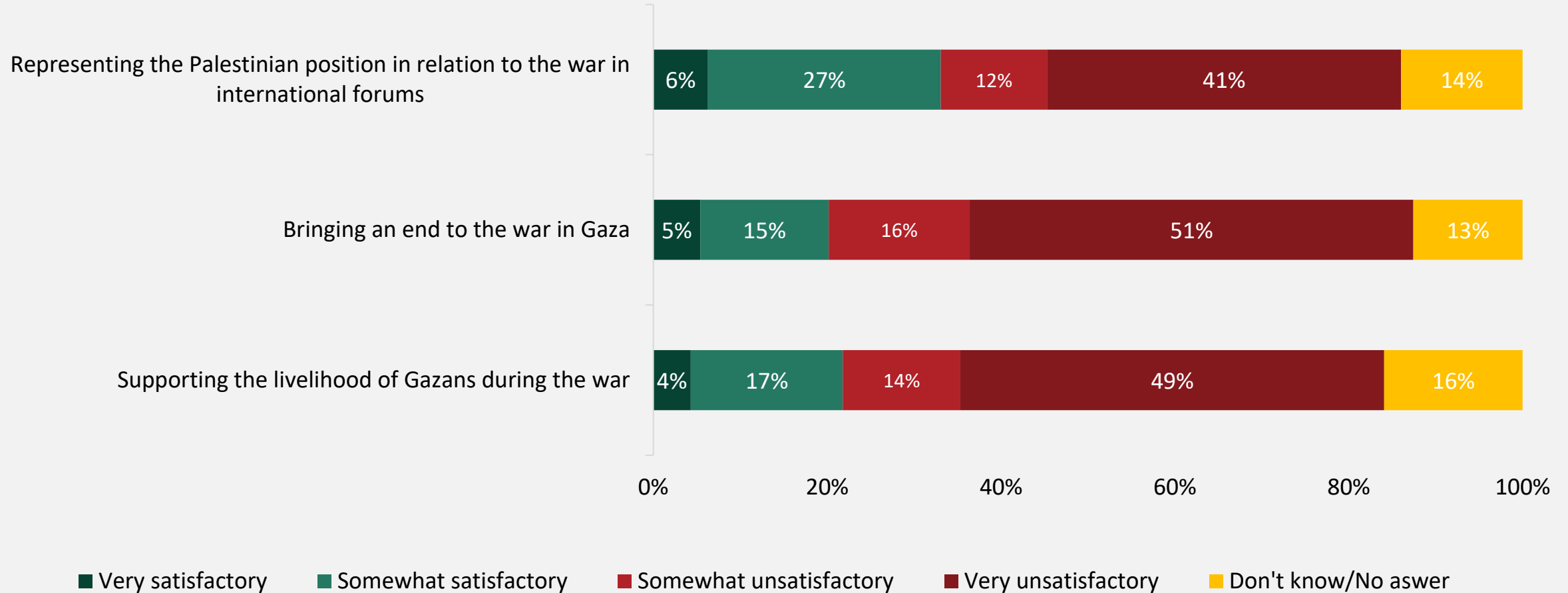
# Evaluation of President Abbas's Performance Across Key Areas

How do you evaluate president Abbas's performance in the following areas?



# Assessment of the Role of the PA Government Concerning Gaza

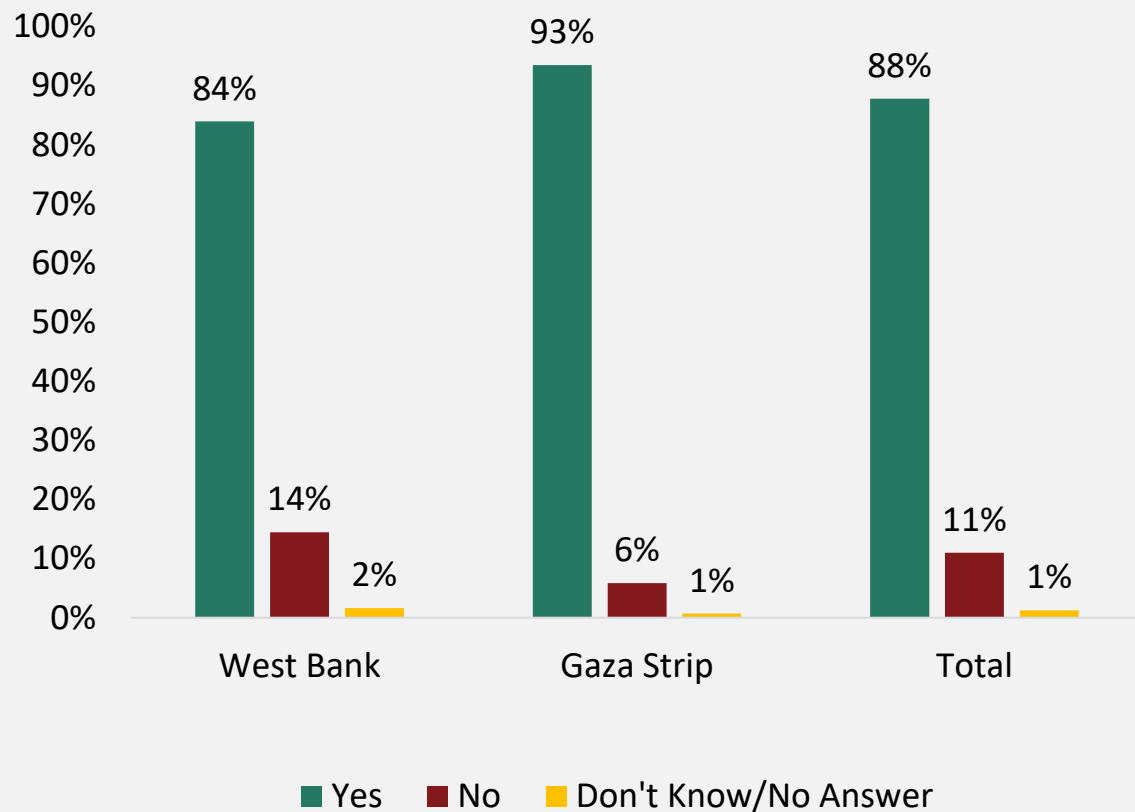
How do you assess the performance of the Palestinian Authority Government, led by Dr. Muhammad Mustafa, in the following fields?



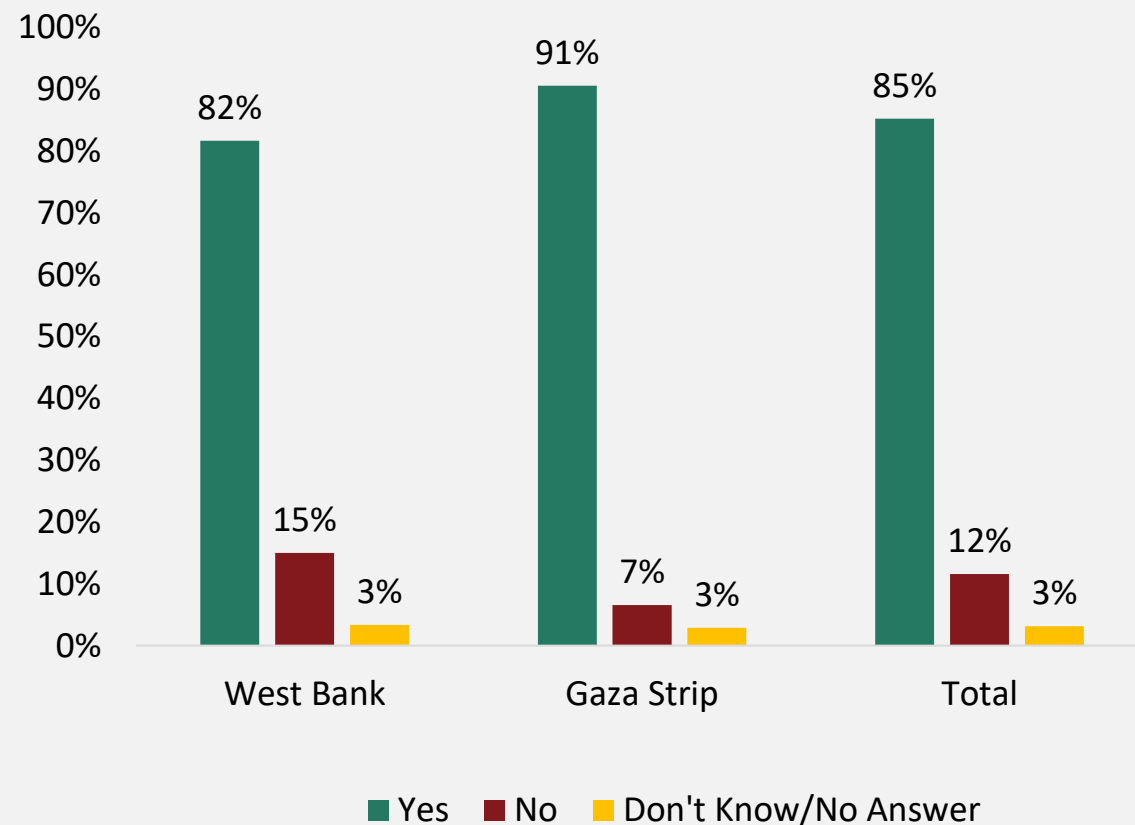
# Section Eight: Elections

# Presidential and Legislative Election

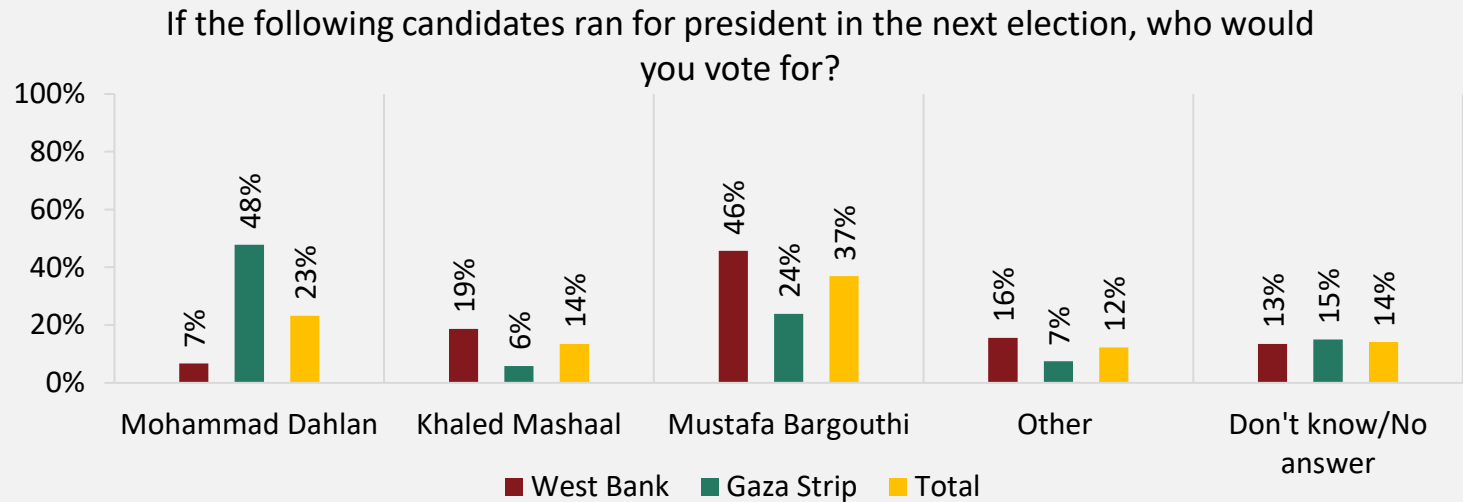
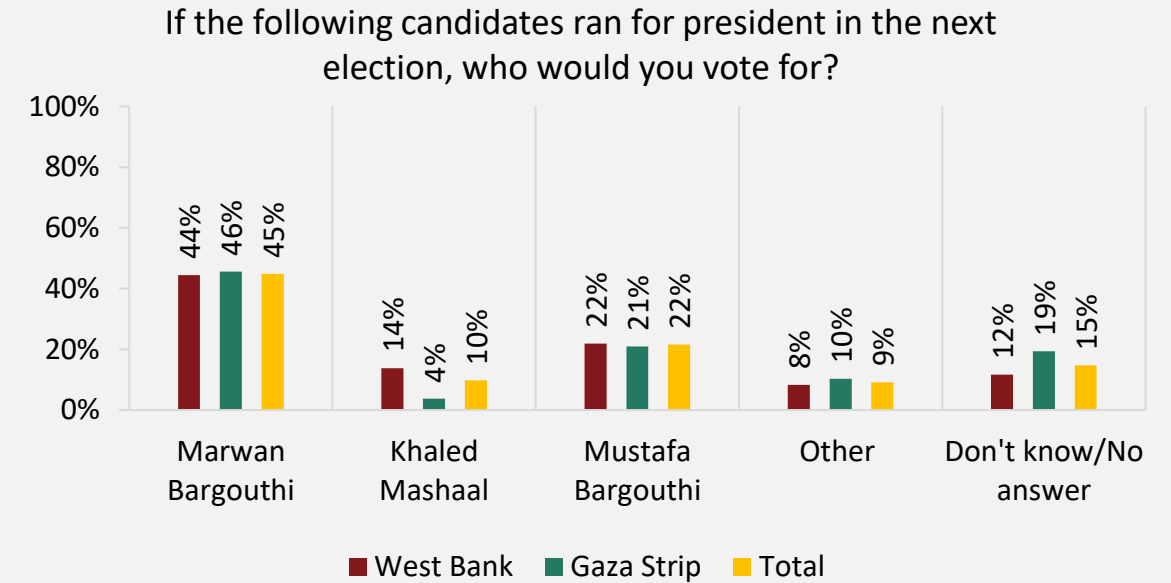
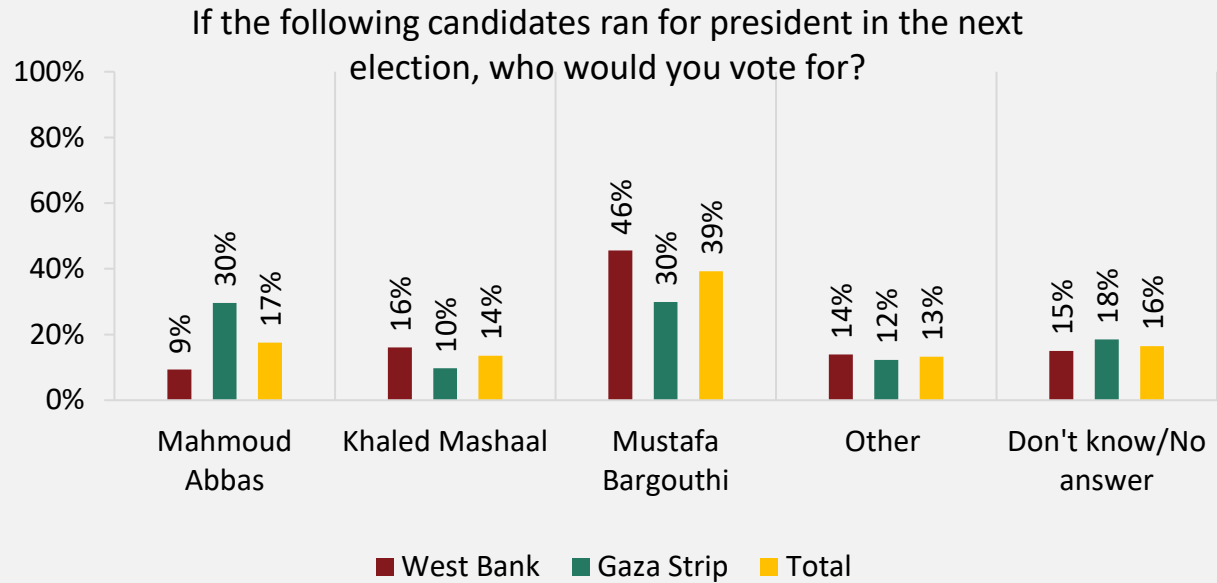
After the war, do you support holding a presidential election among Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza Strip?



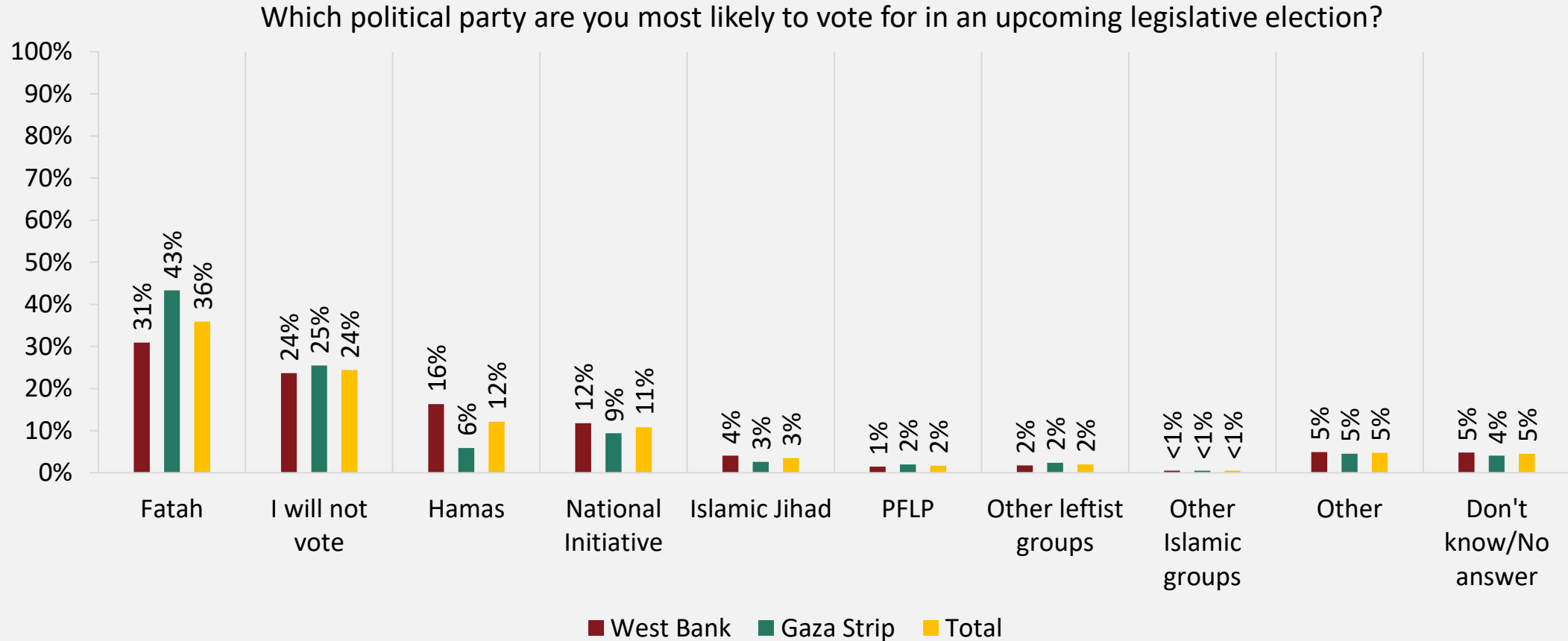
After the war, do you support holding a parliamentary election among Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza Strip?



# Presidential Candidate Preferences for the Upcoming Election



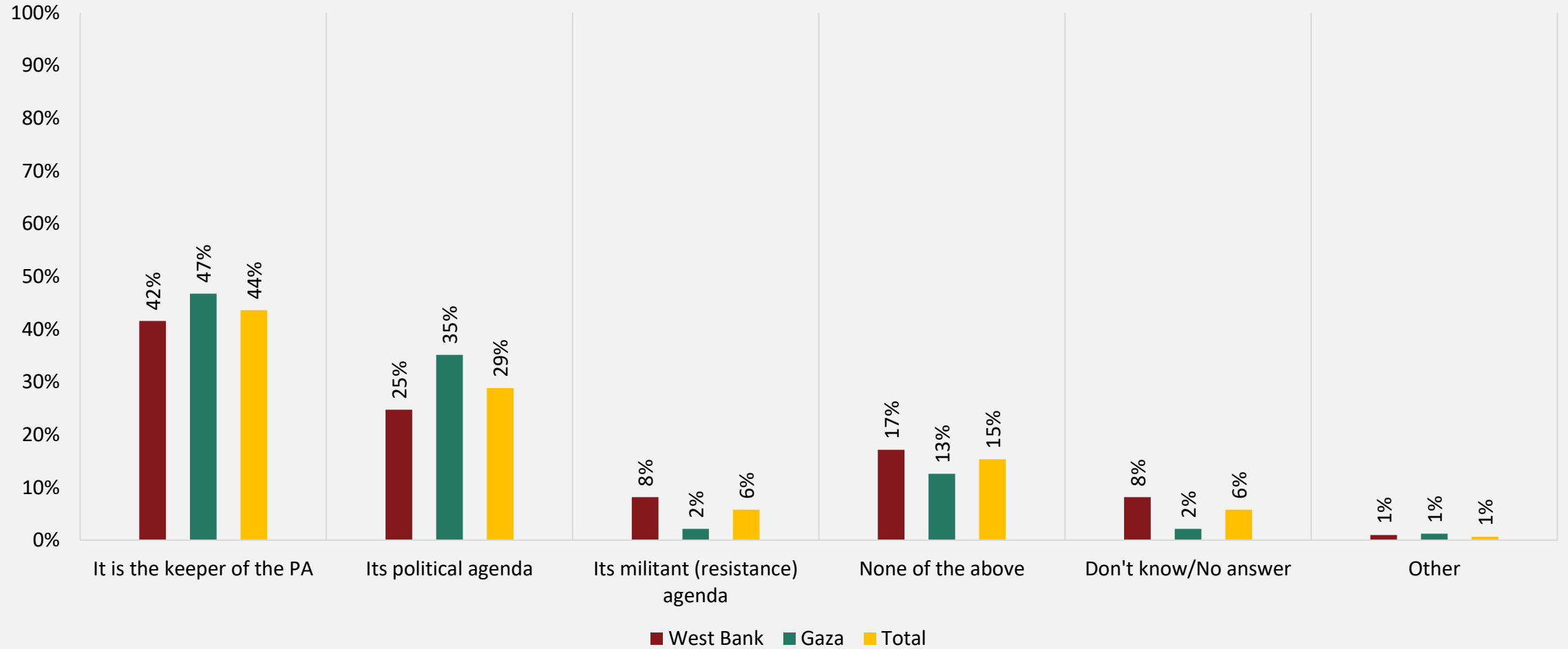
# Preferred Political Party for Upcoming Legislative Election





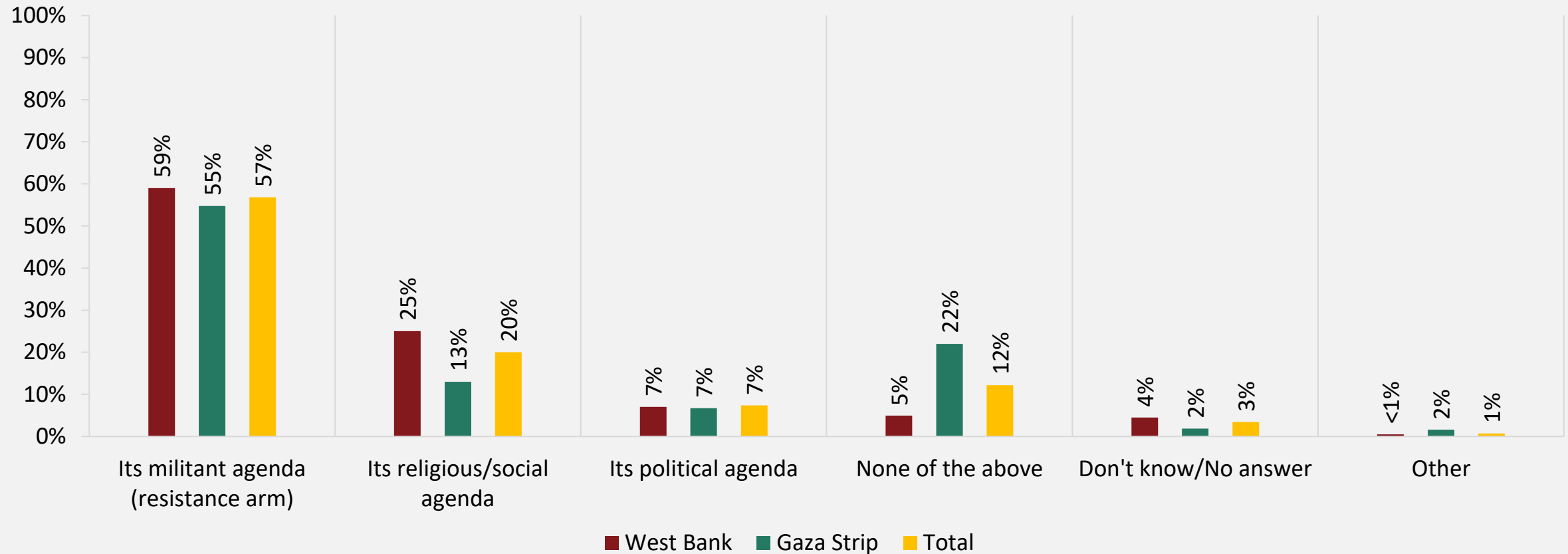
# Perceptions of Fateh's Key Strengths

When you think of Fateh, what do you view as its key strength?



# Perception of Hamas's Key Strengths

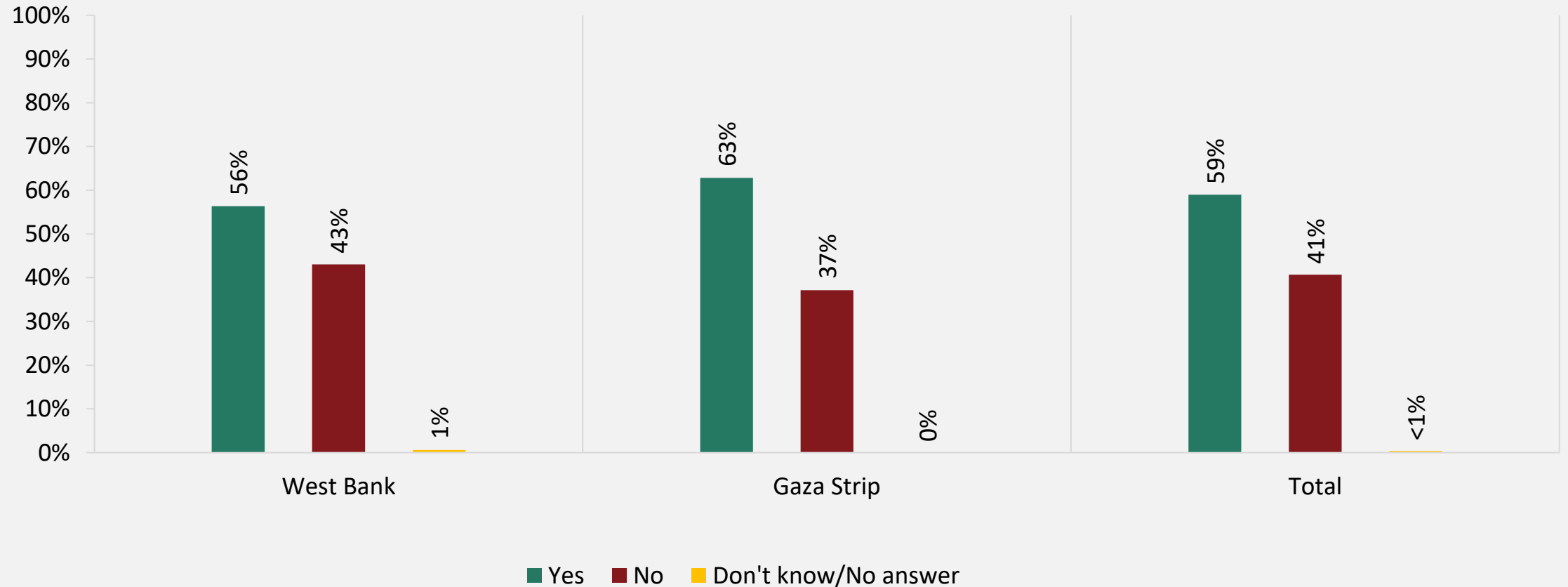
When you think of Hamas, what do you view as its key strength?



# Section Nine: Re-election of Donald Trump

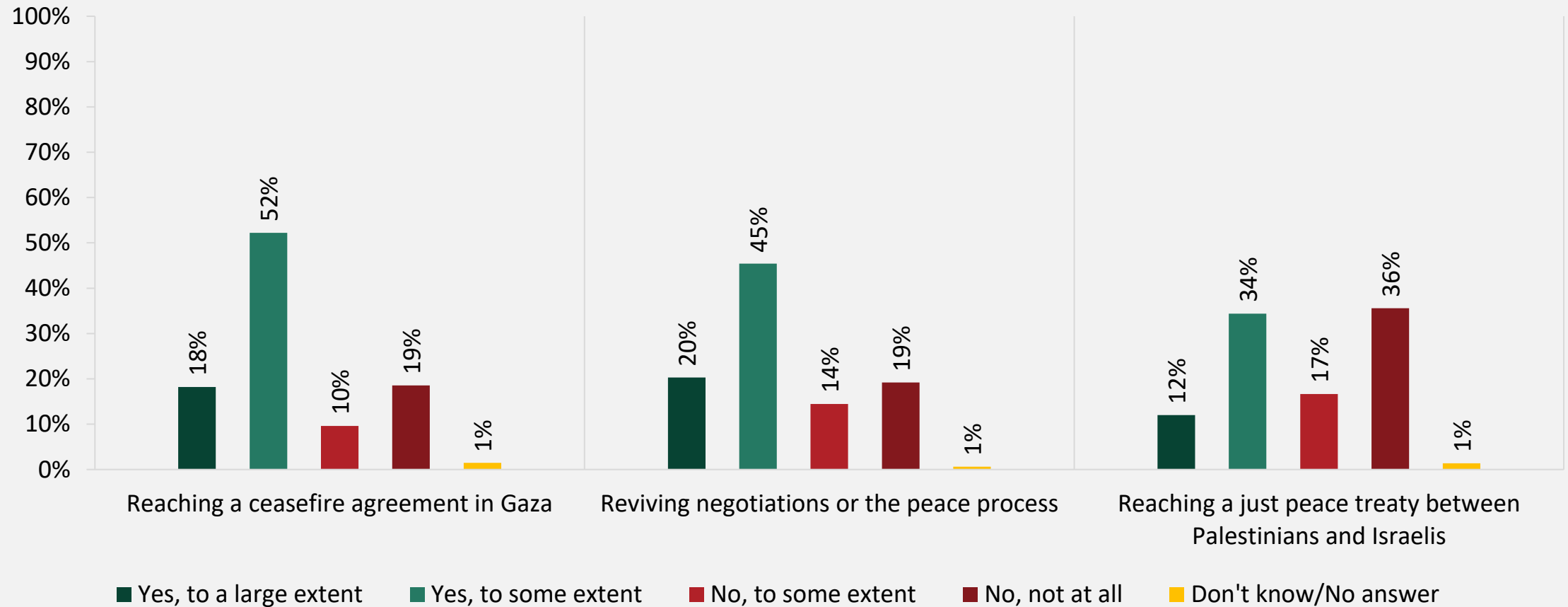
# Following the News on US Presidential Election

Donald trump was recently elected as the President of the United States of America. Have you been following the news on the US presidential election?



# Perceptions of Potential Impacts of Donald Trump's Election as U.S. President

Do you think that the election of Donald Trump will contribute to achieving the following?



(Respondents only who said (Yes) to the previous question , n= 415)



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