

UK Higher Education Policy Poll

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Methodology: Online interviews of 18+ residents living in the UK
Fieldwork: 22nd – 25th April 2024
Sample size: 1,064

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Fieldwork Dates

- 22nd – 25th April 2024

Data Collection Method

- The survey was conducted via online interview. Invitations to complete surveys were sent out to members of the panel.

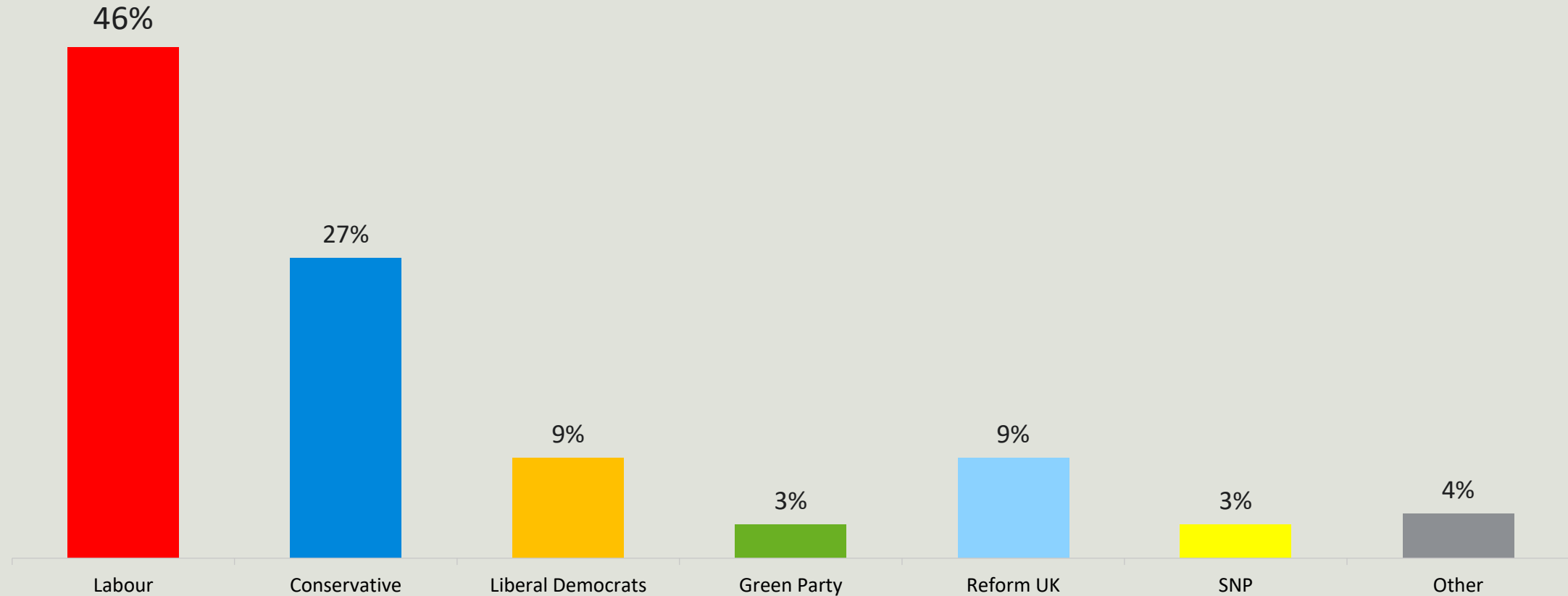
Population Sampled

- All residents aged 18+ living in the UK

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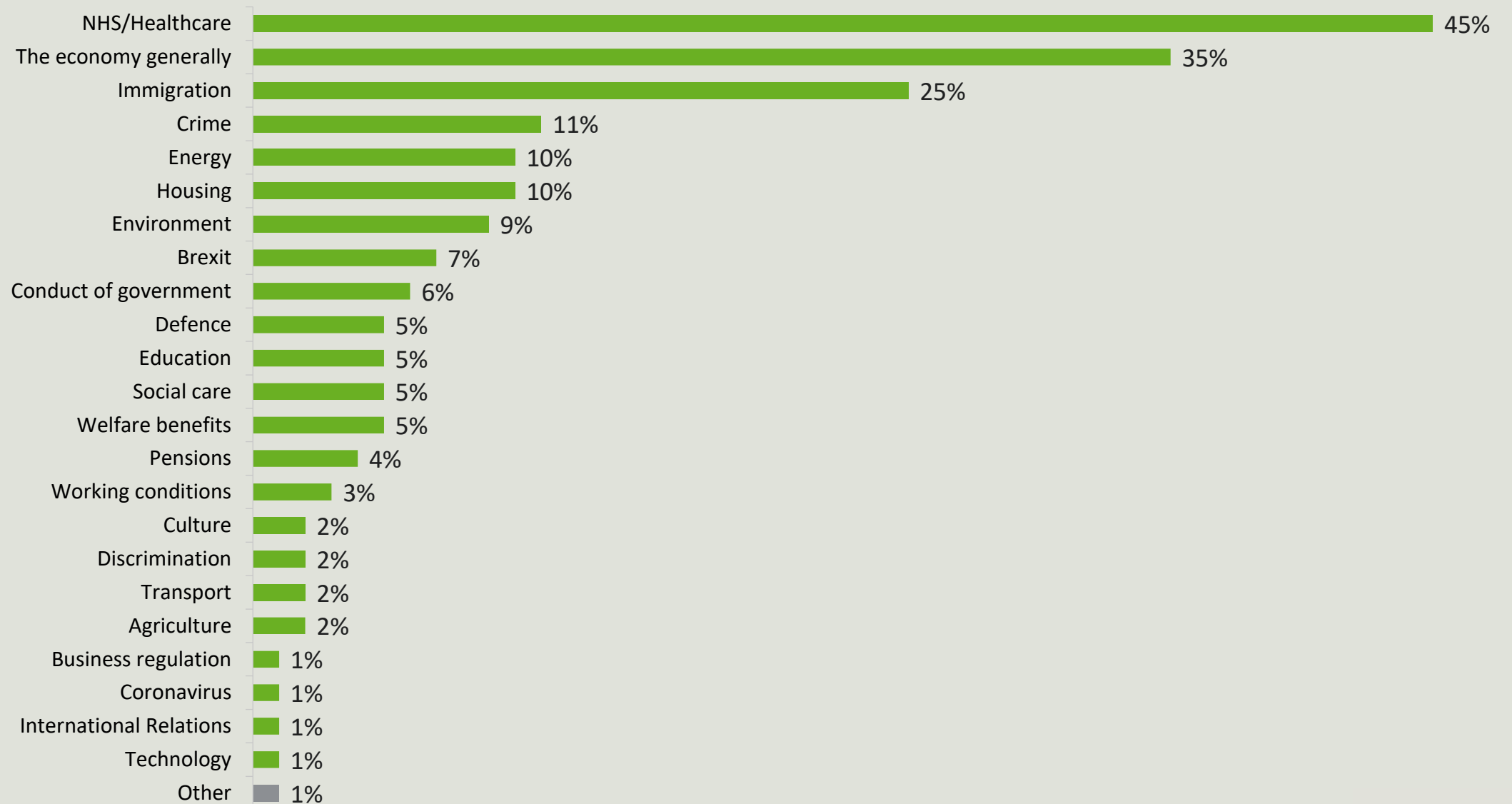
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V2. If the Westminster Election was taking place tomorrow, and there was a candidate from all political parties standing in your constituency, which party do you think you would vote for?



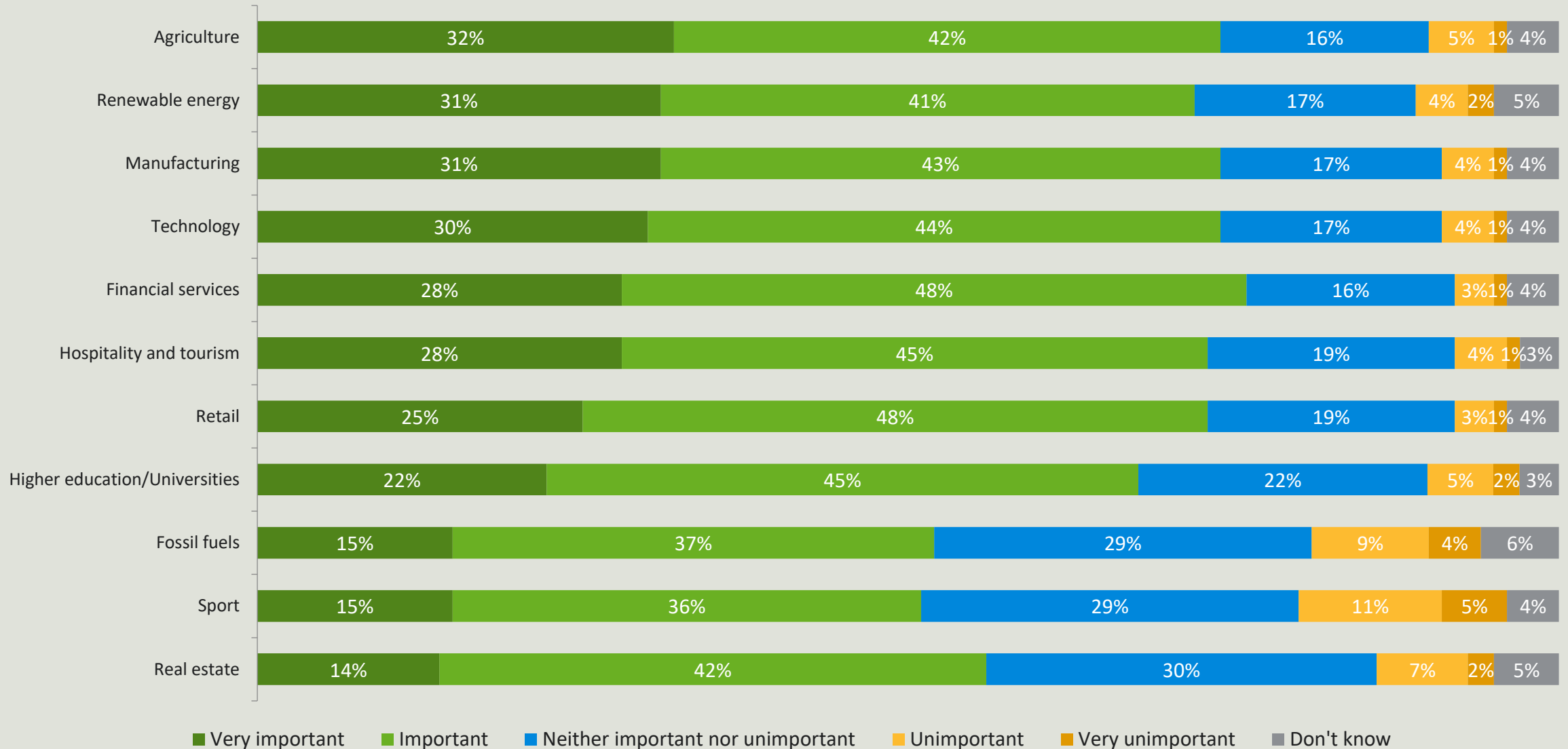
BASE: Respondents likely to vote, factored by likelihood to vote, with undecided and refused removed. Unweighted Total: 862.

Q1. What would you say are the most important issues facing the country today? Please pick two from the following list:



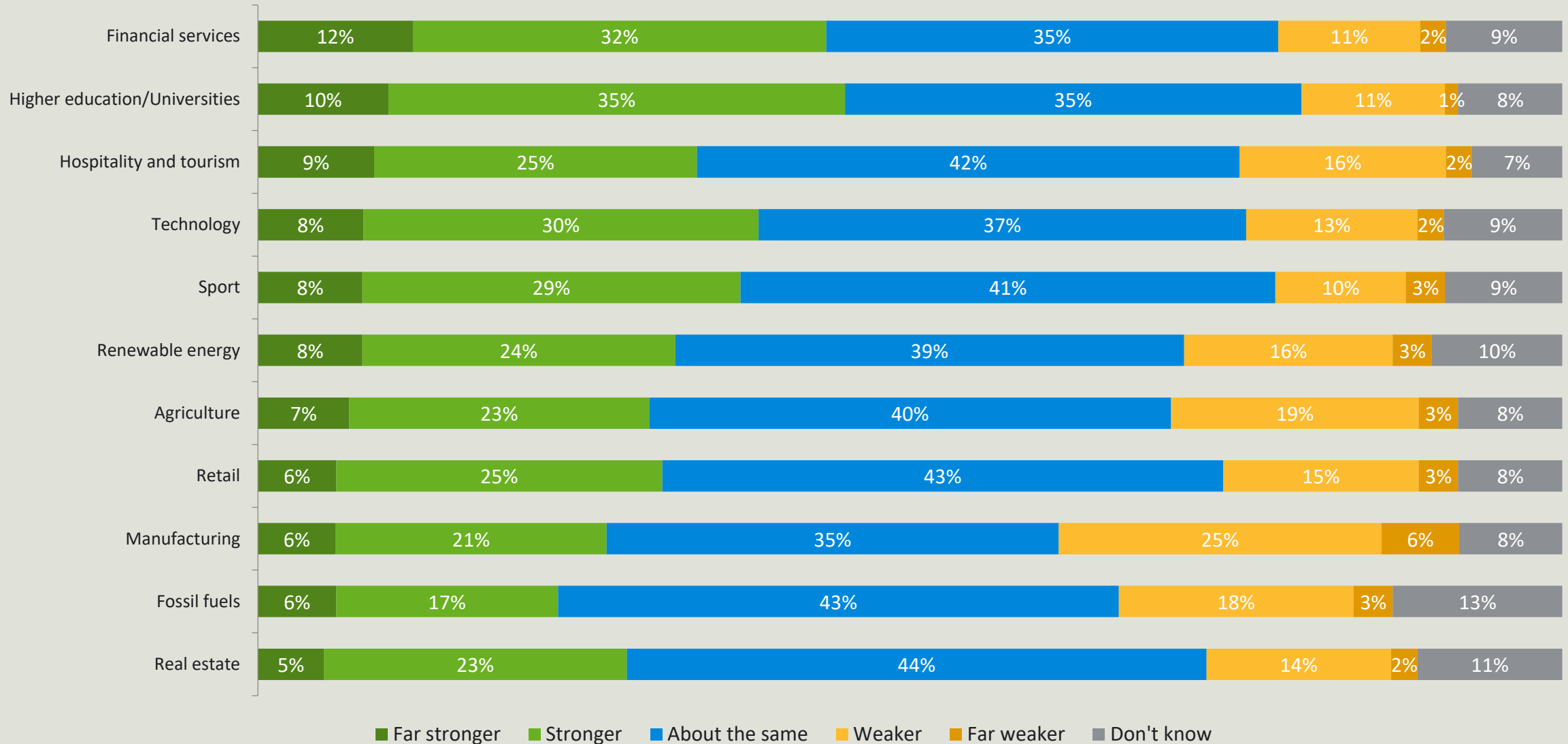
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Q2.Summary. How would you rate the contribution of the following sectors to the UK's economy?



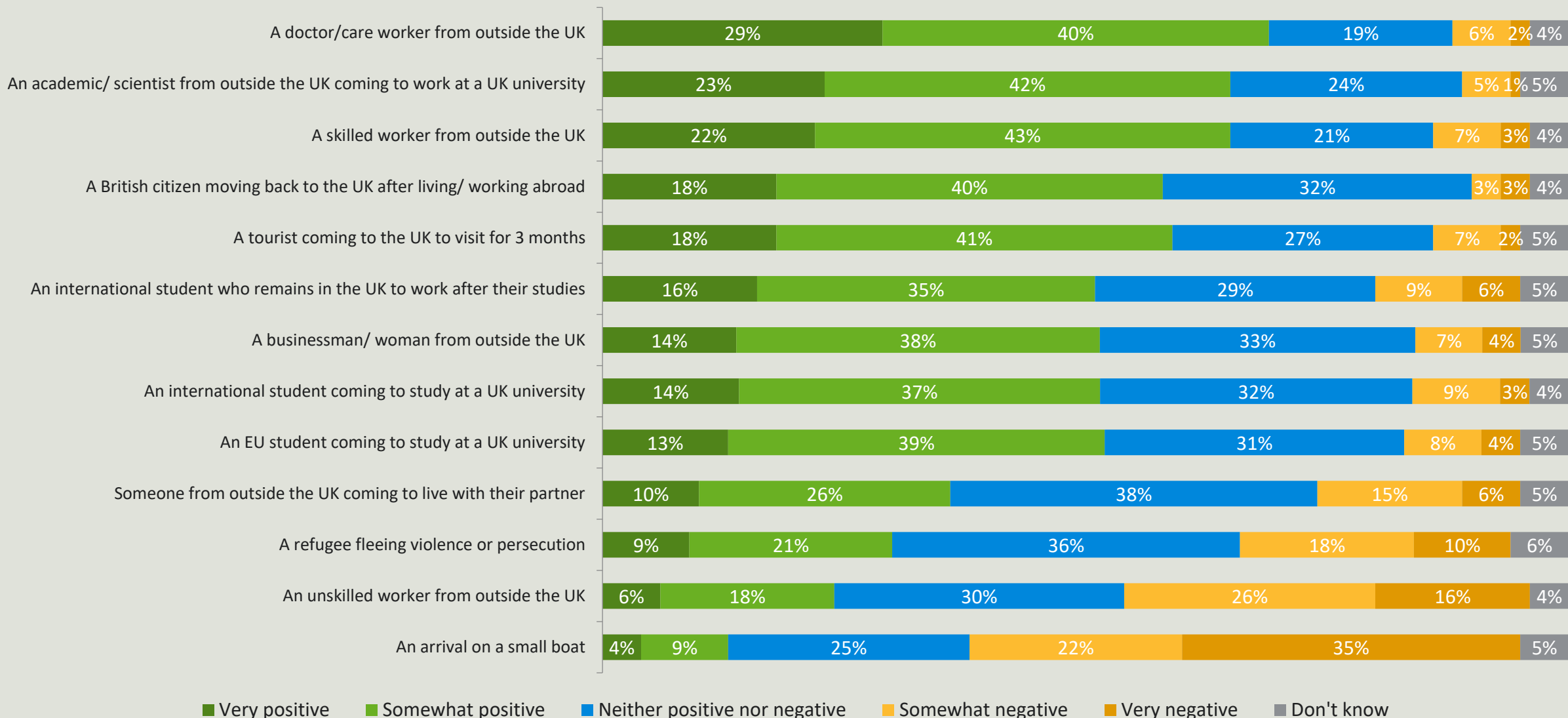
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Q3.Summary. How would you rate the performance of the following economic sectors in the UK vs. the rest of the world?



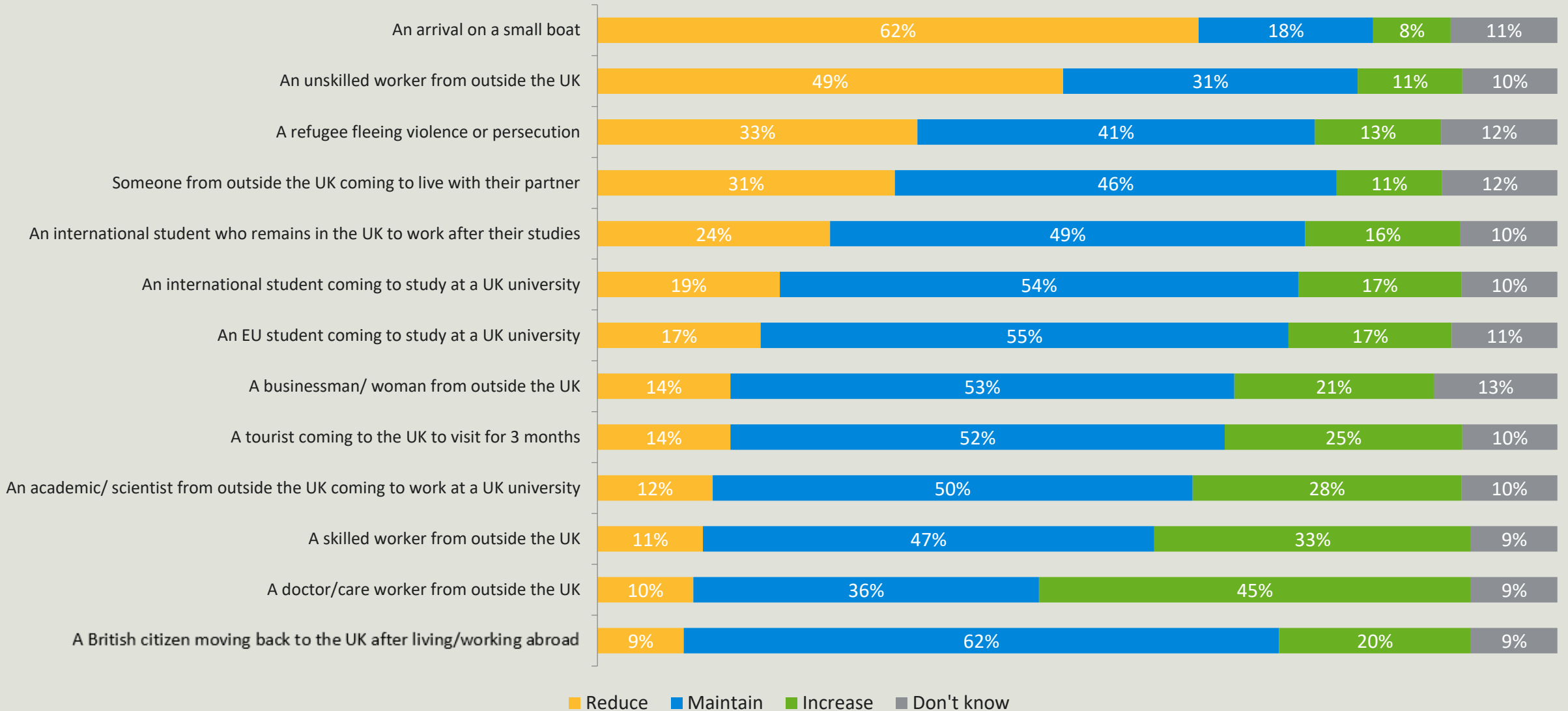
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Q4.Summary. Would you say the following types of migrant have a positive, neutral or negative impact on the UK?

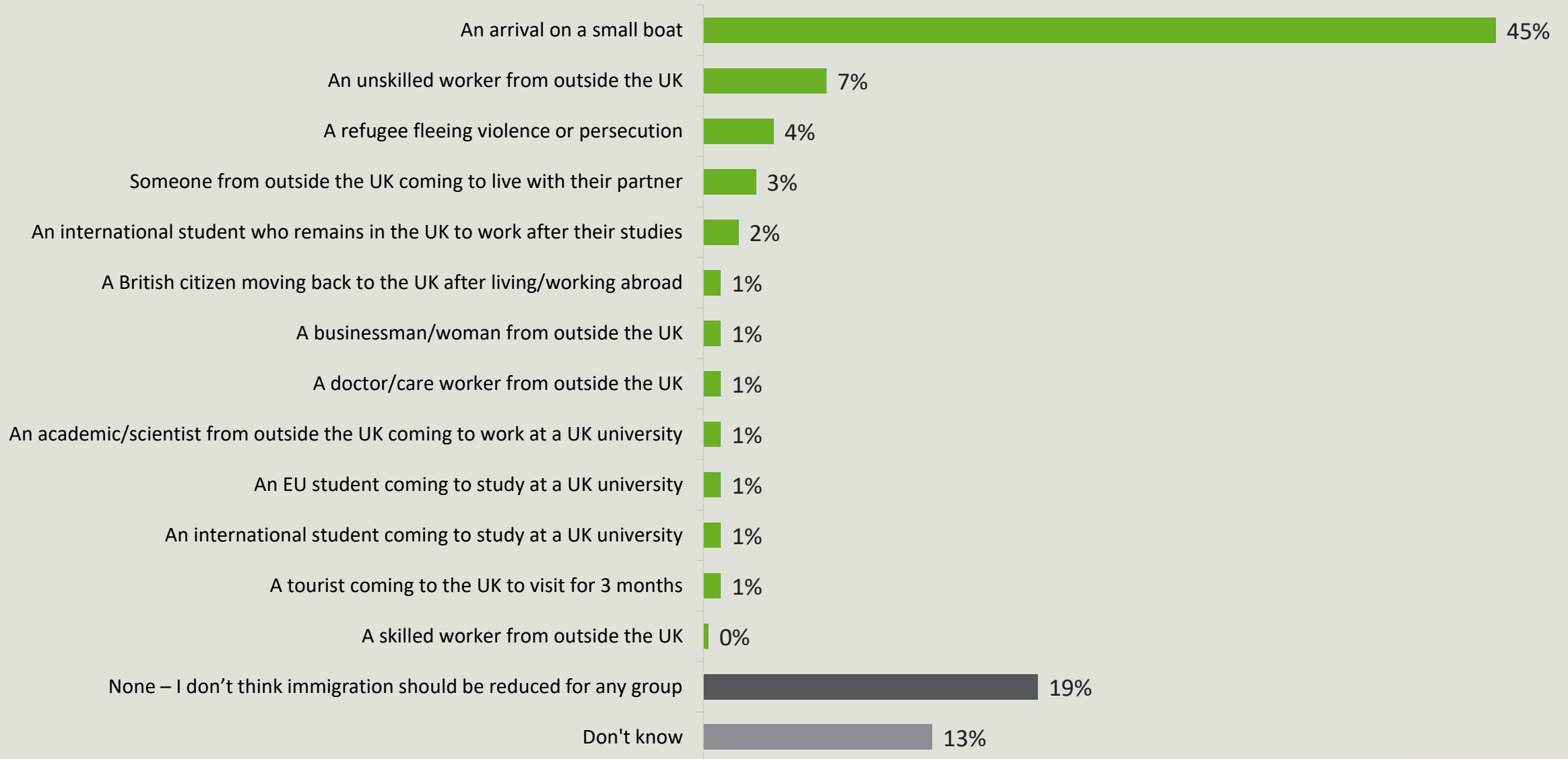


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Q5.Summary. If the government wishes to reduce immigration to the UK, which groups should they reduce, maintain, or increase?

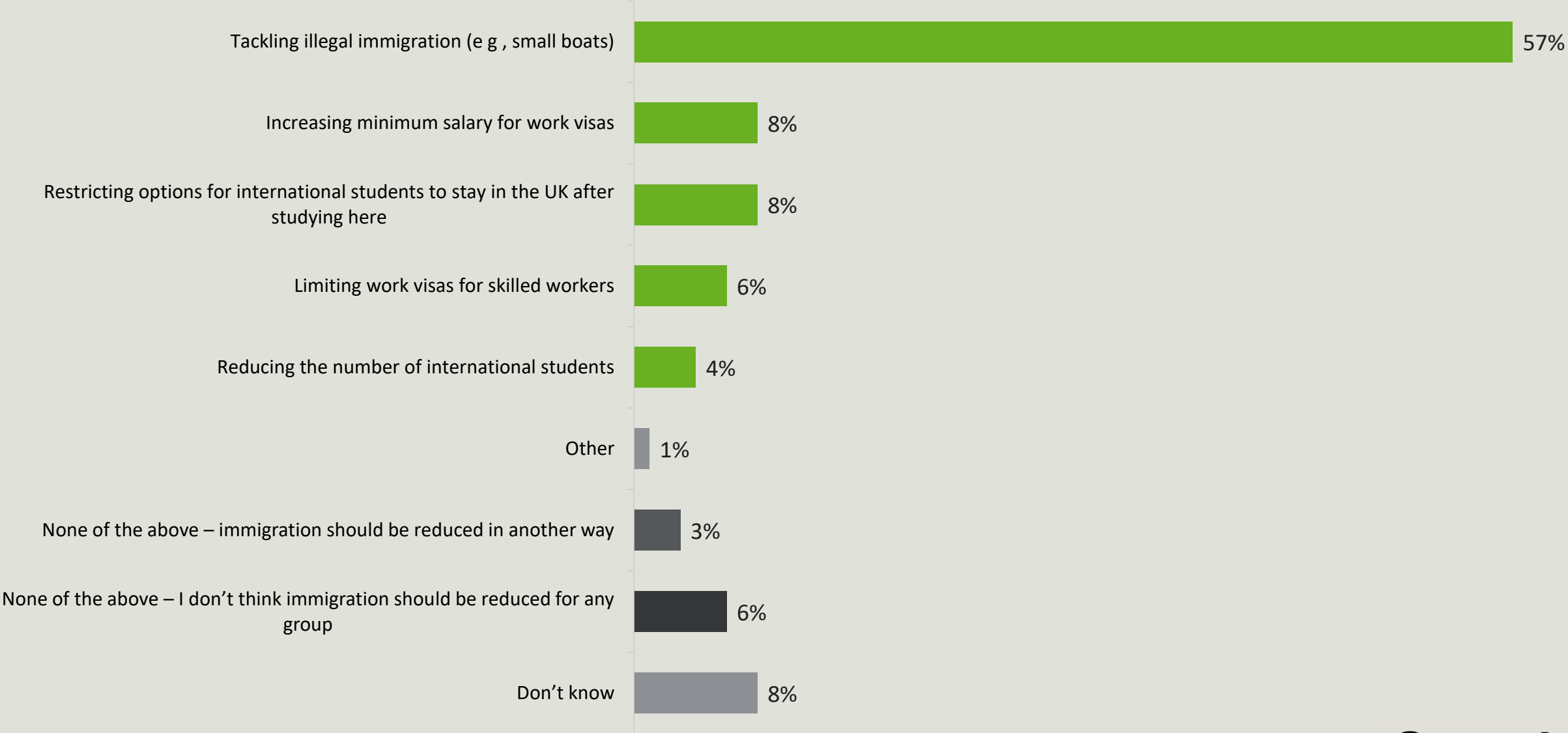


Q6. Of these groups, who would you most like the Government to prioritise reducing numbers from to reduce immigration? Please select one

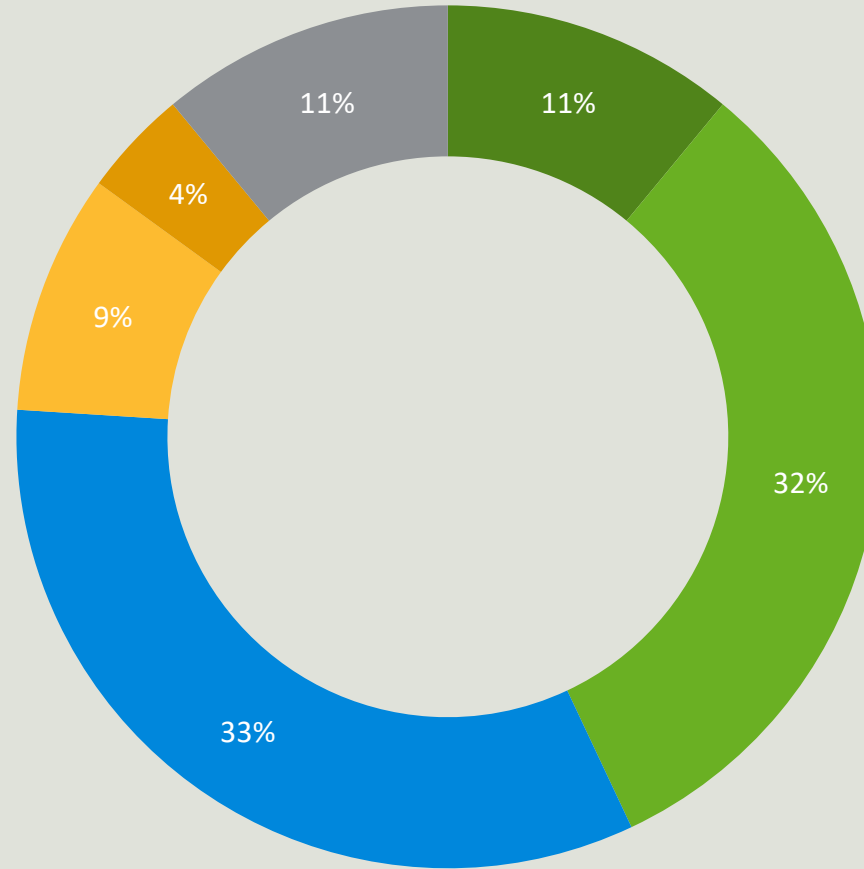


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Q7. When it comes to reducing immigration numbers, which of the following do you think should be the government's priority? Please select one

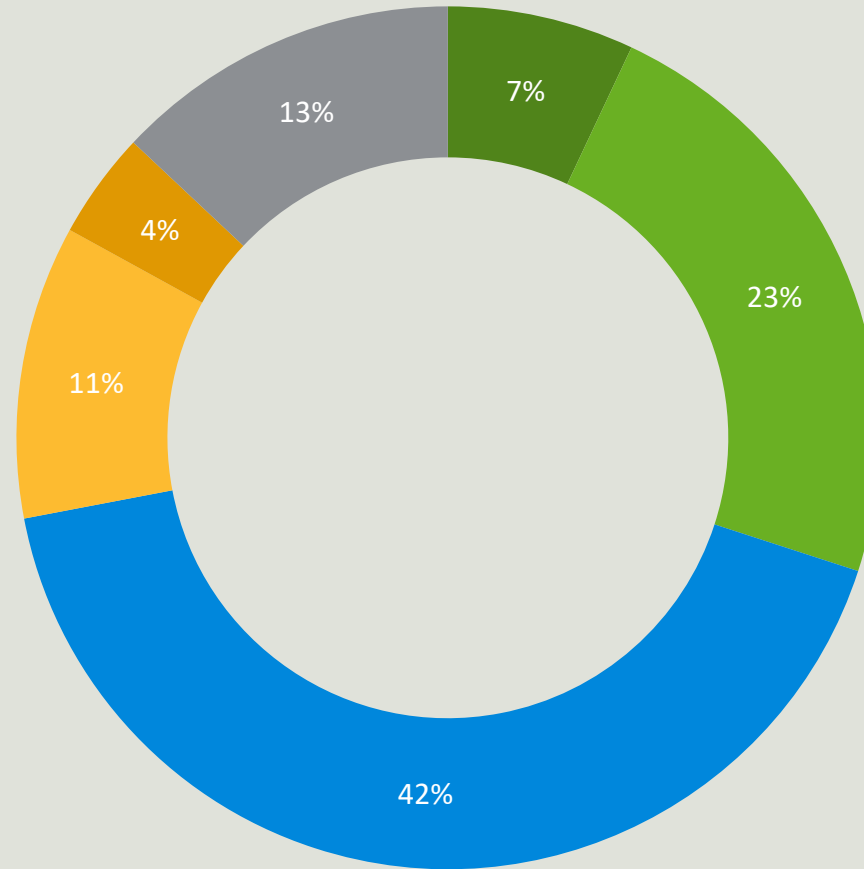


Q8. How would you describe the economic impact of international students at UK universities?



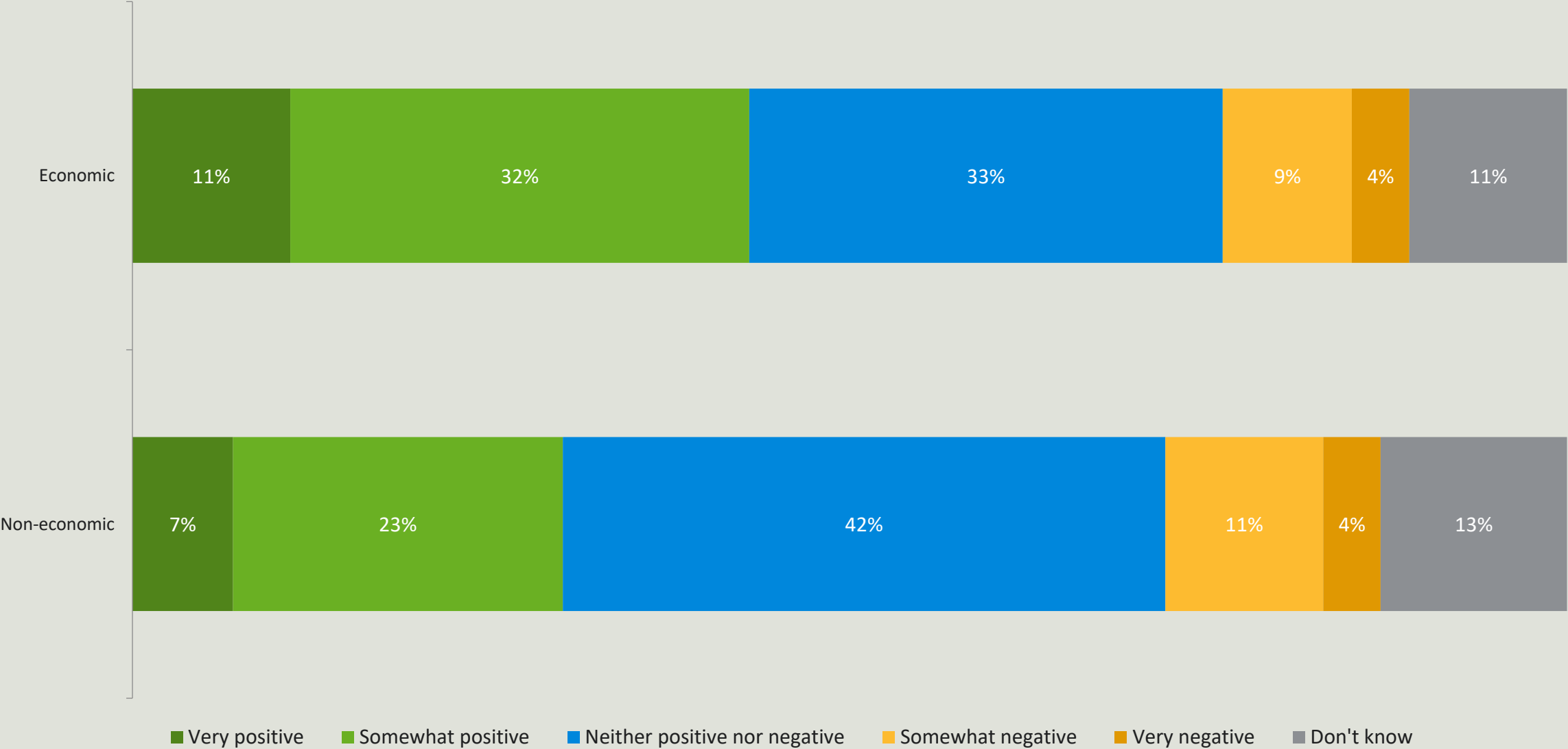
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Q9. How would you describe the non-economic impact of international students at UK universities?

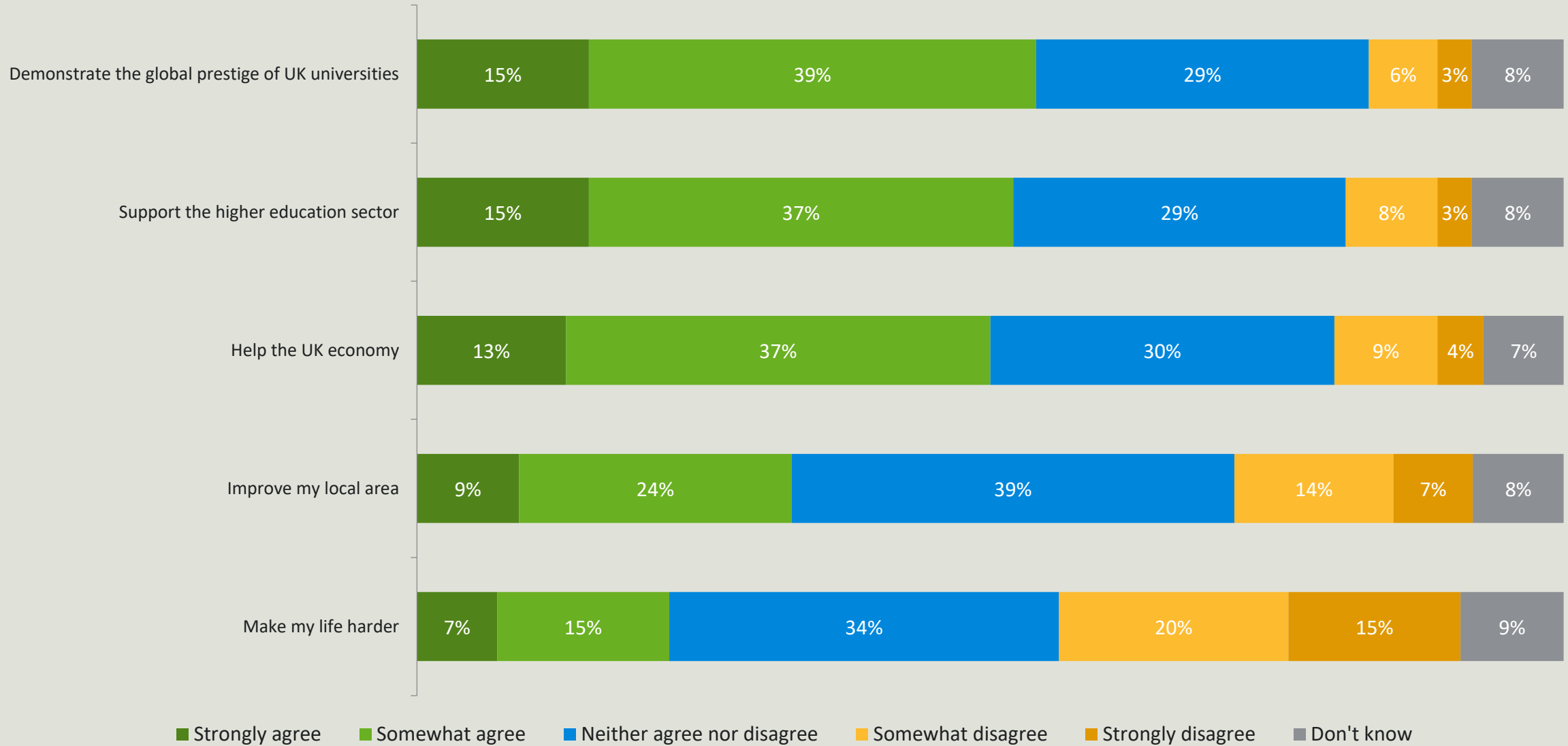


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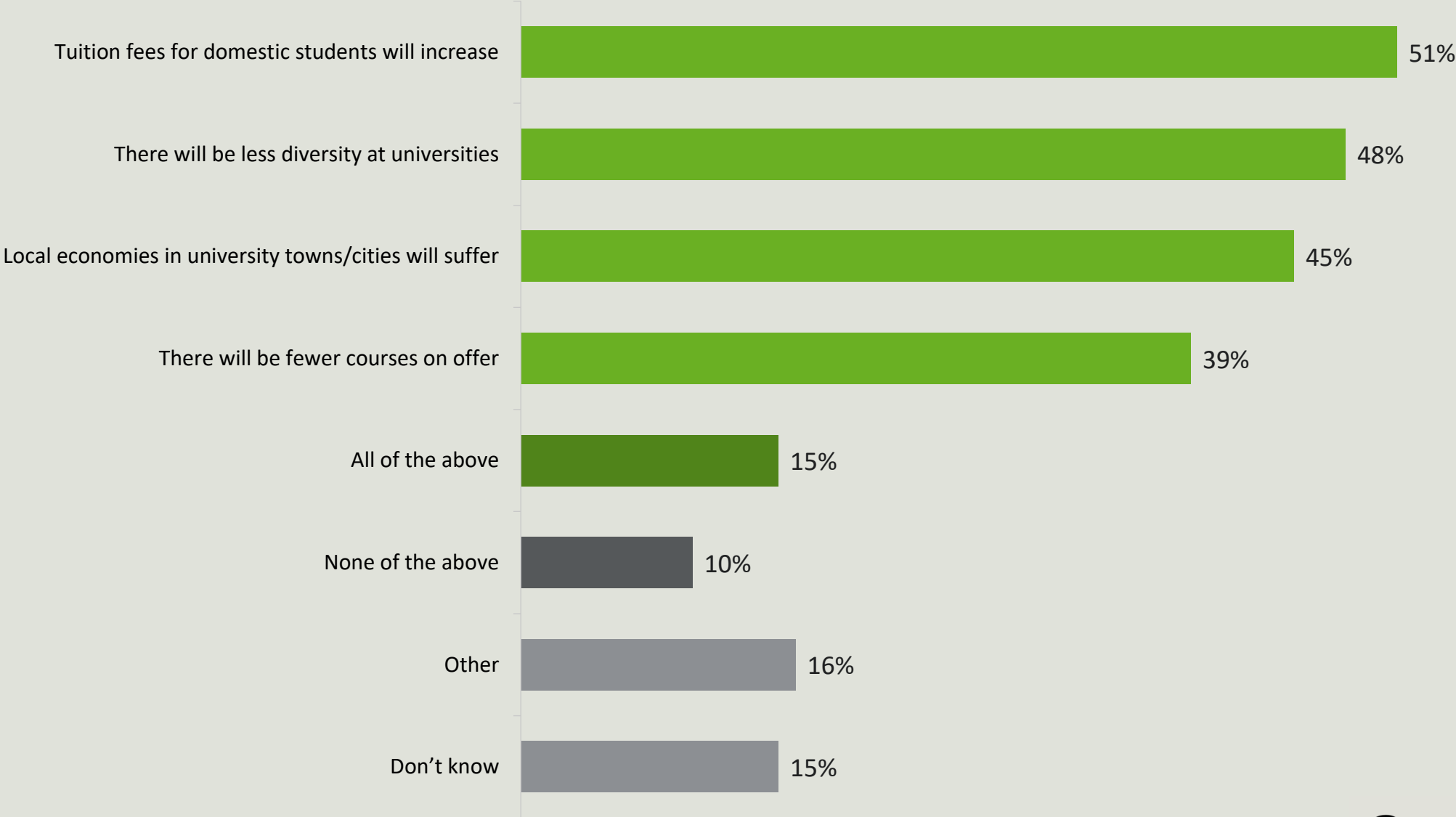
Q8 + Q9. How would you describe the impact of international students at UK universities?



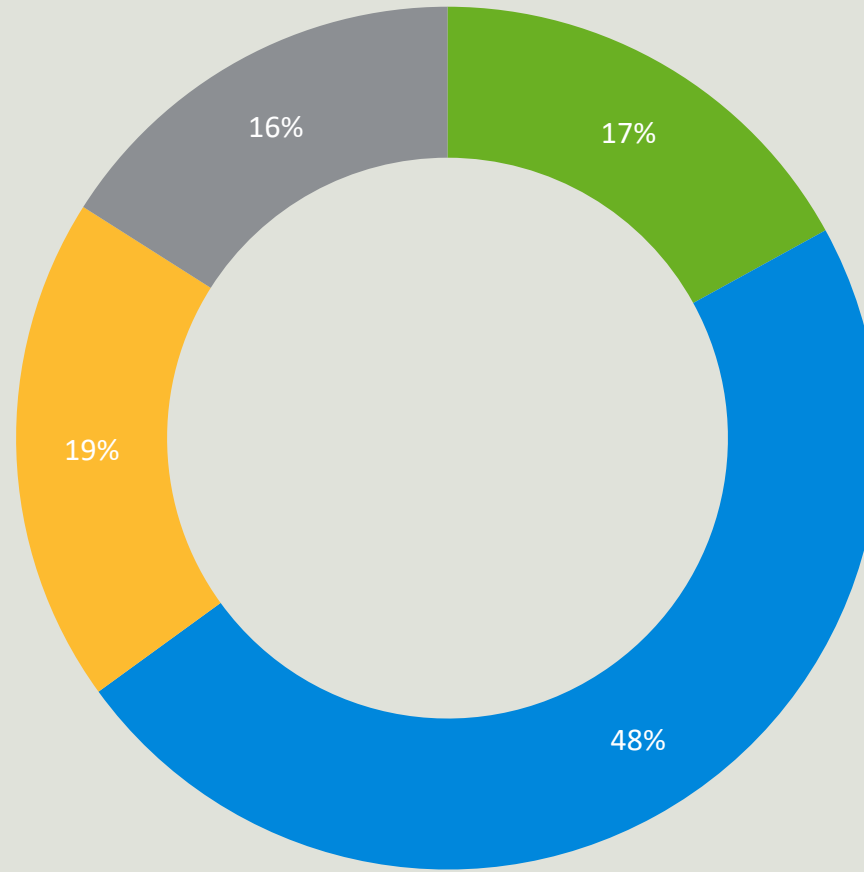
Q10.Summary. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? More international students...



Q11. If the government were to reduce the number of international students coming to the UK, which of the following would be likely to happen?

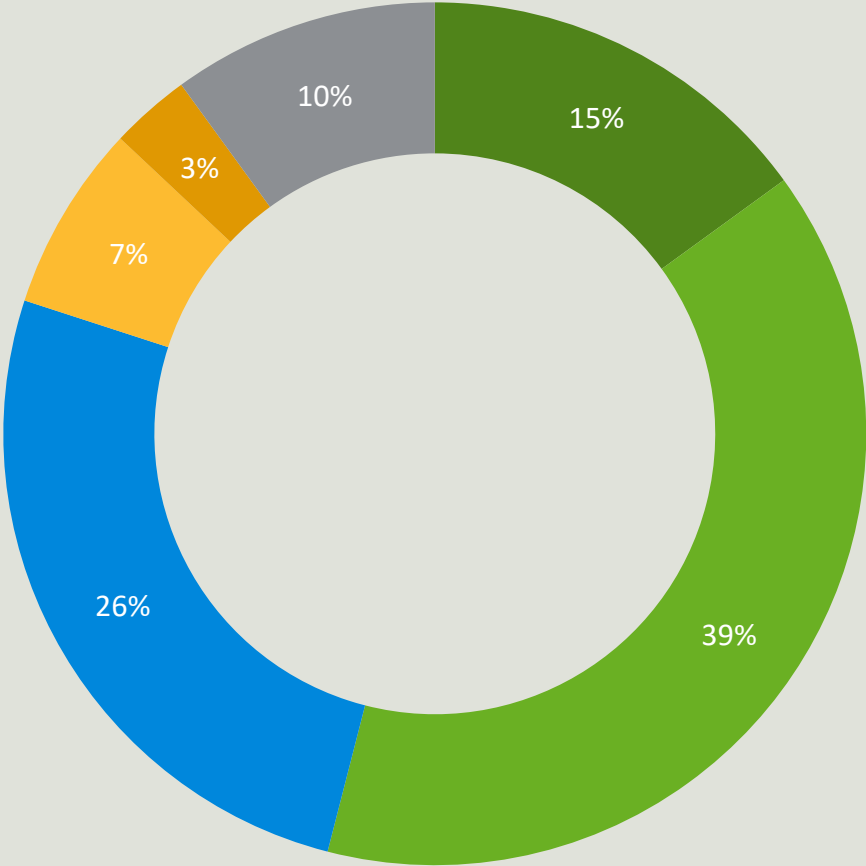


Q12. International students can currently get a visa to stay and work in the UK for up to 2 years after completing their studies (or 3 years if they have completed a PhD). Which of the following is closest to your view?



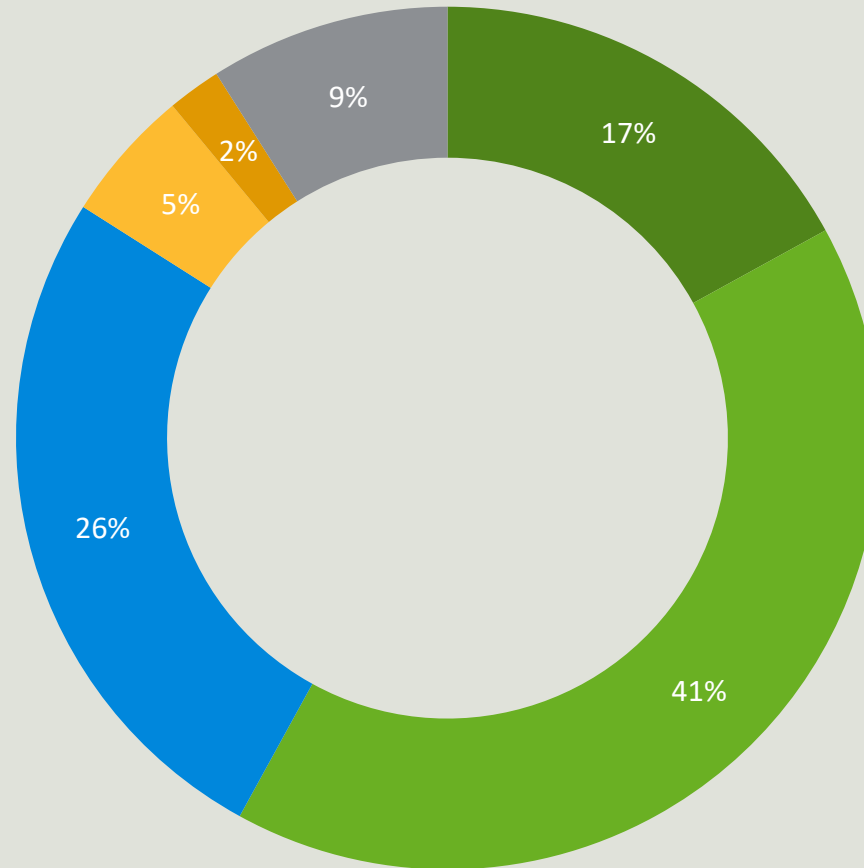
■ The student work visa should last longer ■ The student work visa is long enough ■ The student work visa is too long ■ Don't know

Q13. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement: “UK universities are financially dependent on fees from international students”



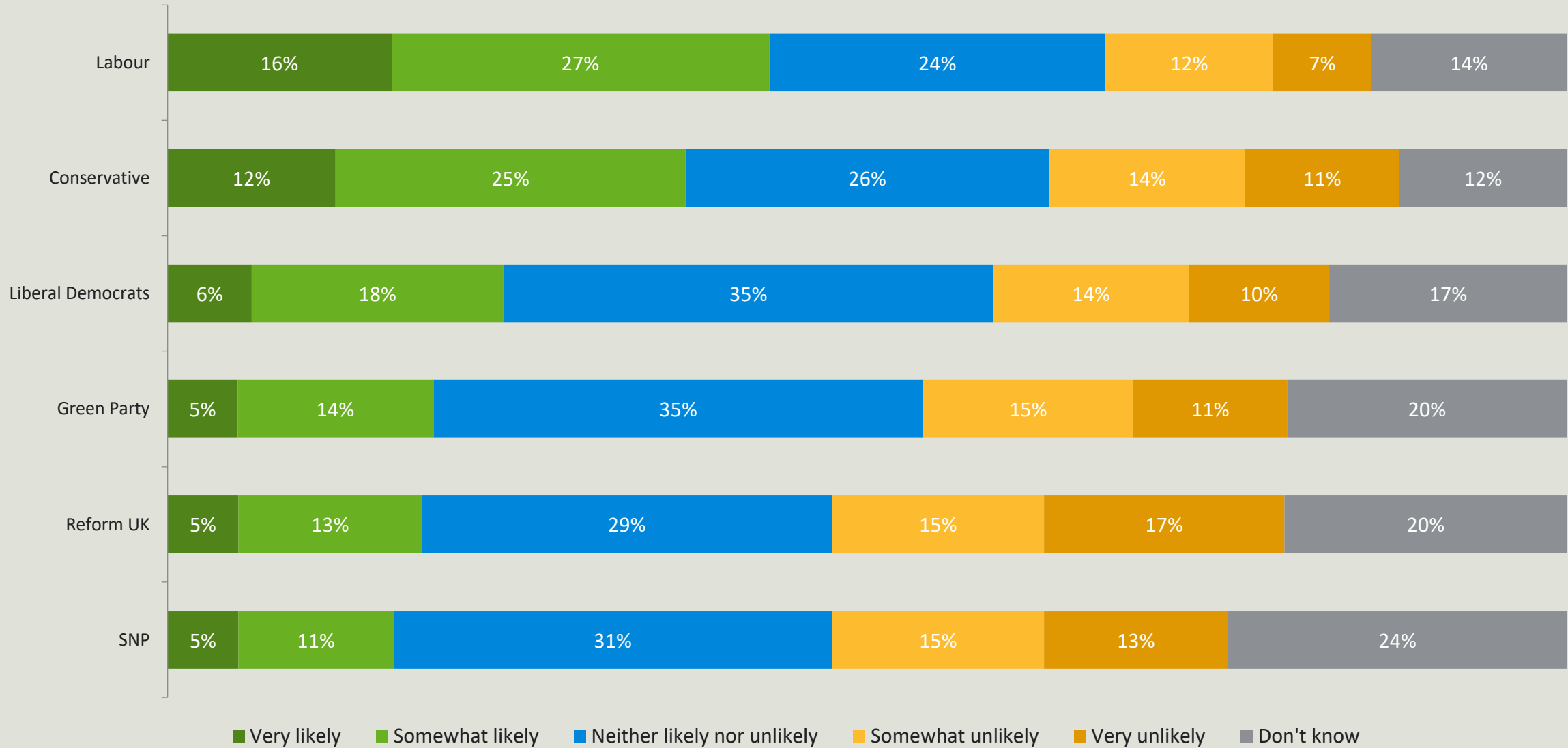
■ Strongly agree ■ Somewhat agree ■ Neither agree nor disagree ■ Somewhat disagree ■ Strongly disagree ■ Don't know

Q14. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement: “UK universities should be allowed to attract fees from international students to support and improve the higher education sector”

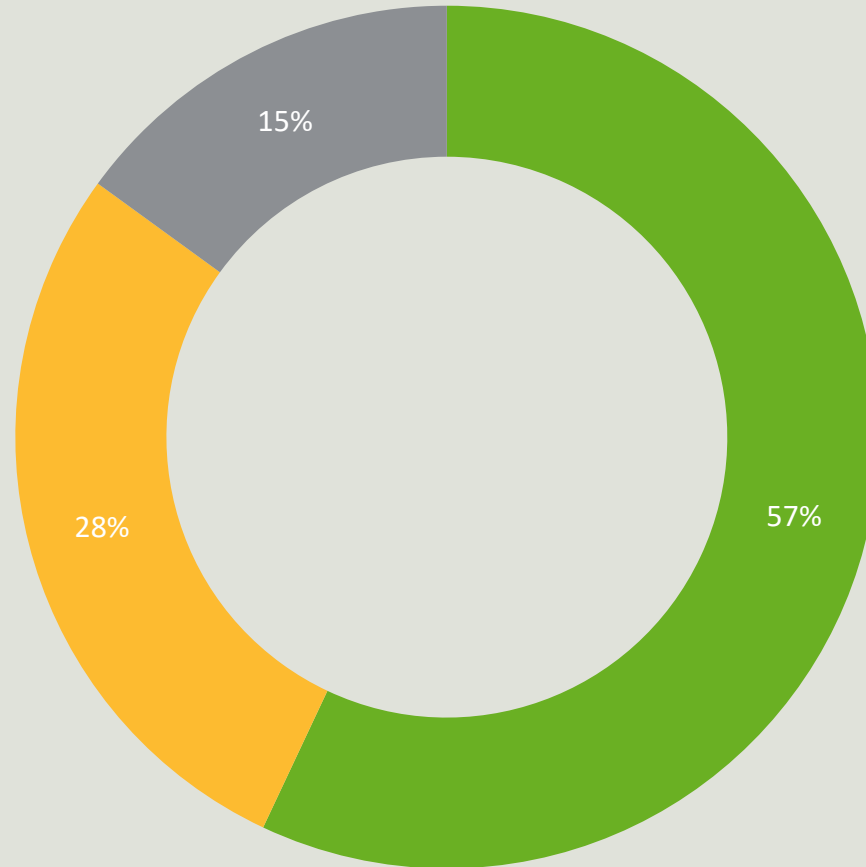


■ Strongly agree ■ Somewhat agree ■ Neither agree nor disagree ■ Somewhat disagree ■ Strongly disagree ■ Don't know

Q15.Summary. Would you say the following political parties are likely or unlikely to support and improve the higher education sector?

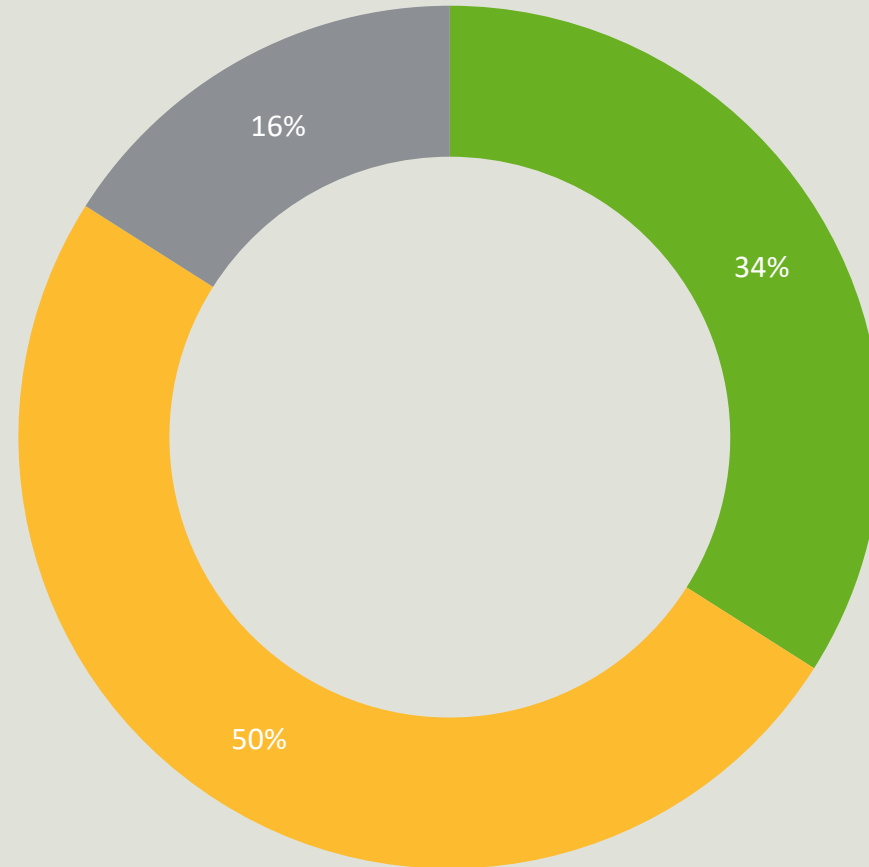


Q16. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?



- International students should be allowed to work in the UK for a time after they finish their studies
- International students should leave the UK as soon as they finish their studies
- Don't know

Q17. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?



- International students should be able to bring a dependent (e.g. child) with them for the duration of their studies in the UK
- International students should not be able to bring a dependent with them for the duration of their studies in the UK
- Don't know

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