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Public attitudes in Georgia:

Results of a August 2012 survey carried out for NDI by CRRC

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Methodology - Current Wave

- This research has been conducted over multiple waves. The funding for this wave was provided by the Swedish International Development and Cooperation Agency (Sida)

- **Current survey wave:**
  - Fieldwork dates: July 31 – August 12, 2012
  - 2,038 completed interviews
  - A nationally representative sample including Capital, urban and rural areas.
- **Sample design**
  - NDI and CRRC use a complex survey design with both stratification and clustering
  - Households are selected via random route sampling
  - Respondents are selected using a Kish table
  - Randomly selected households and individuals are not substituted
  - All interviews are conducted face-to-face

- The average margin of error does not exceed +/- 3%

Methodology – Historical Waves

- This research has been conducted over multiple waves. The funding for most waves was provided by Sida, however one wave was funded by the Eurasia Foundation and one by the British Embassy
- Historical waves:
  - **June 2012**
    - Fieldwork dates: June 4 – June 22, 2012
    - 6,299 completed interviews
    - A nationally representative sample including urban and rural areas as well as additional representative samples of the self governing cities of Tbilisi, Kutaisi, Batumi, Poti and Rustavi as well as the Majoritarian districts of Saburtalo, Isani, Samgori, Nadzaladvi, Gldani, Telavi, Kobuleti, Zugdidi and Gori
    - The average margin of error does not exceed +/- 2%
  - **February 2012**
    - Fieldwork dates: February 22 – March 5, 2012
    - 3,161 completed interviews
    - A nationally representative sample including representative samples of Tbilisi, Kutaisi, Batumi, Poti, Rustavi, Telavi District 17, other urban and rural areas
  - **September 2011**
    - Fieldwork dates: September 9-21, 2011
    - 2,425 completed interviews
    - A nationally representative sample with additional representative samples in Tbilisi, Kutaisi, Batumi, Poti, Rustavi, Telavi District 17, other urban and rural areas

Methodology – Historical Waves

- **March 2011**
  - Fieldwork dates: March 4-17, 2011
  - 2,893 completed interviews
  - A nationally representative sample, including representative samples in Tbilisi, Kutaisi, Batumi, Rustavi, other urban and rural areas
- **July 2010**
  - Fieldwork dates: June 24 – July 5, 2012
  - 2,053 completed interviews
  - A nationally representative sample including Including an oversample of Tbilisi
- **April 2010**
  - Fieldwork dates: April 11-26, 2010
  - 2,053 completed interviews
  - A nationally representative sample, including an oversample of Tbilisi and representative samples in urban and rural areas

- The average margin of error for these waves is +/- 3%

Favorability and Job Performance

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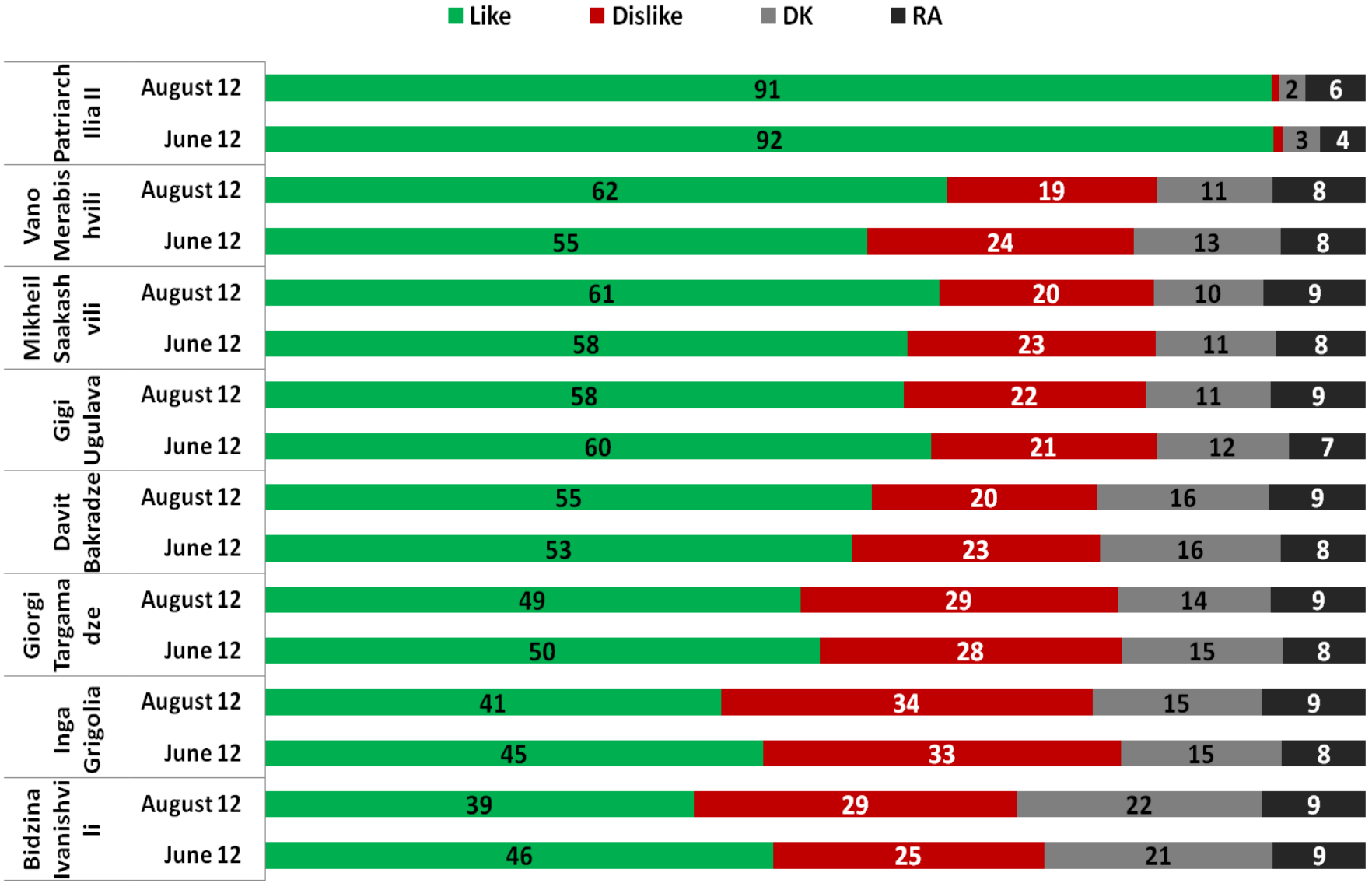

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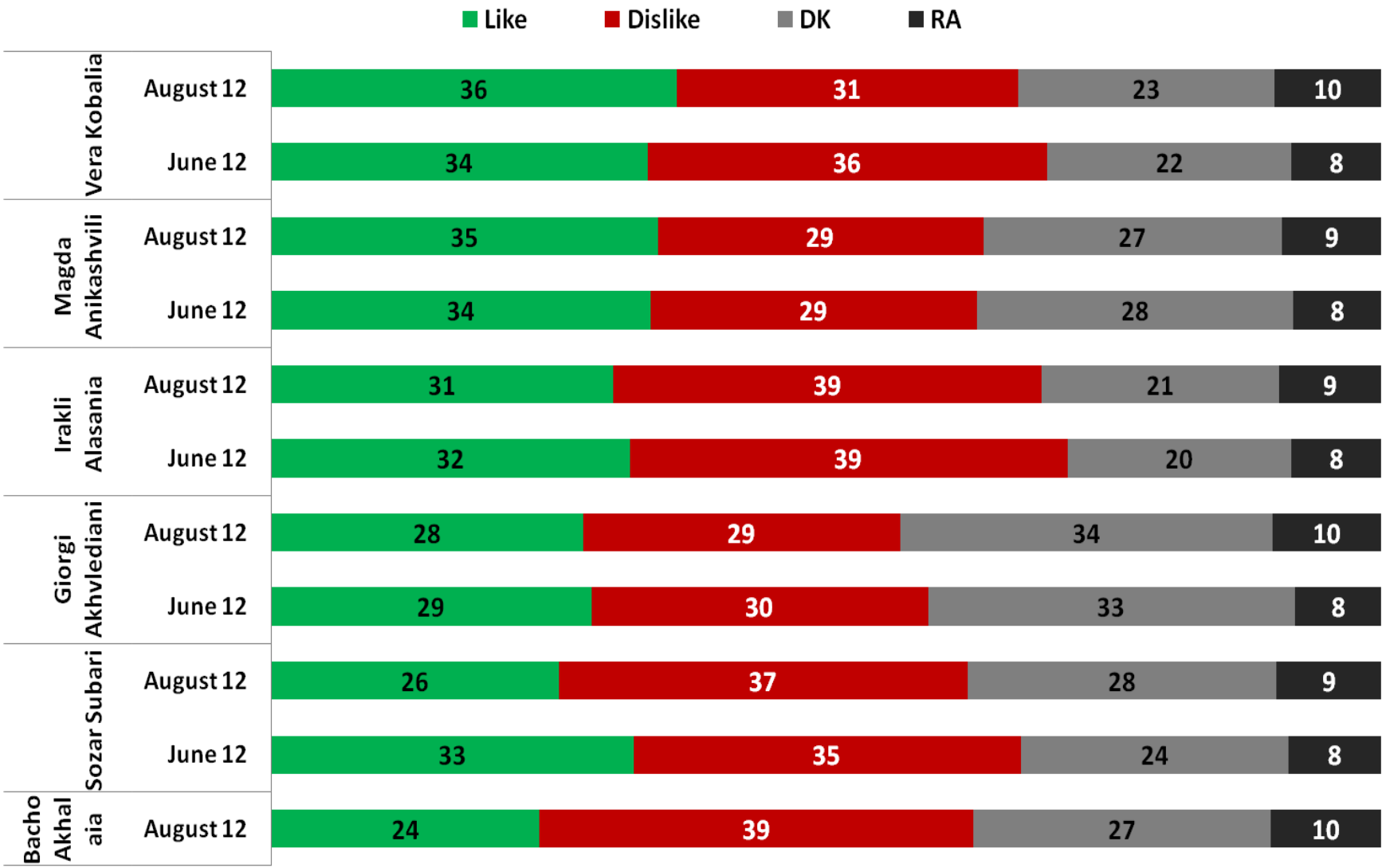

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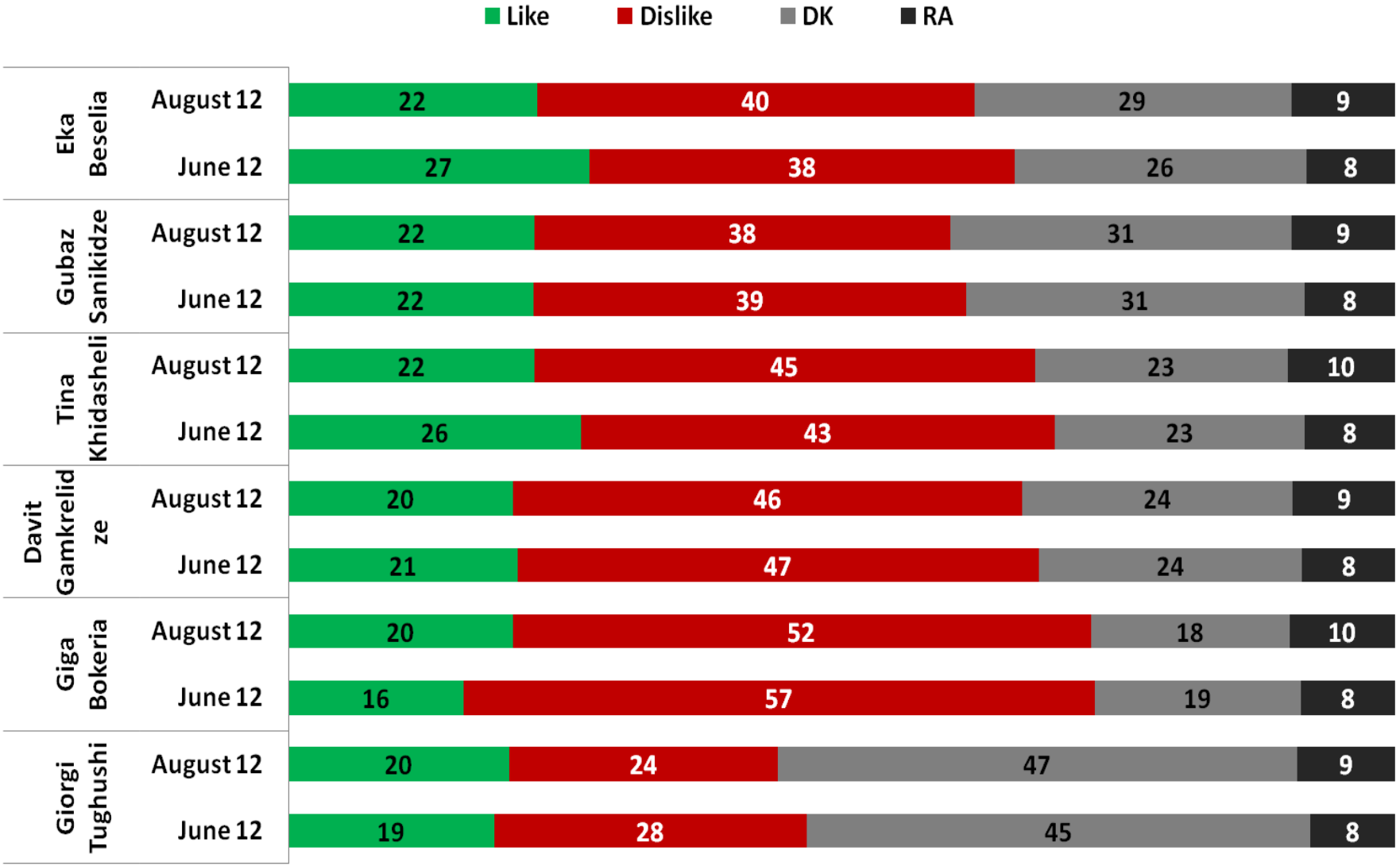

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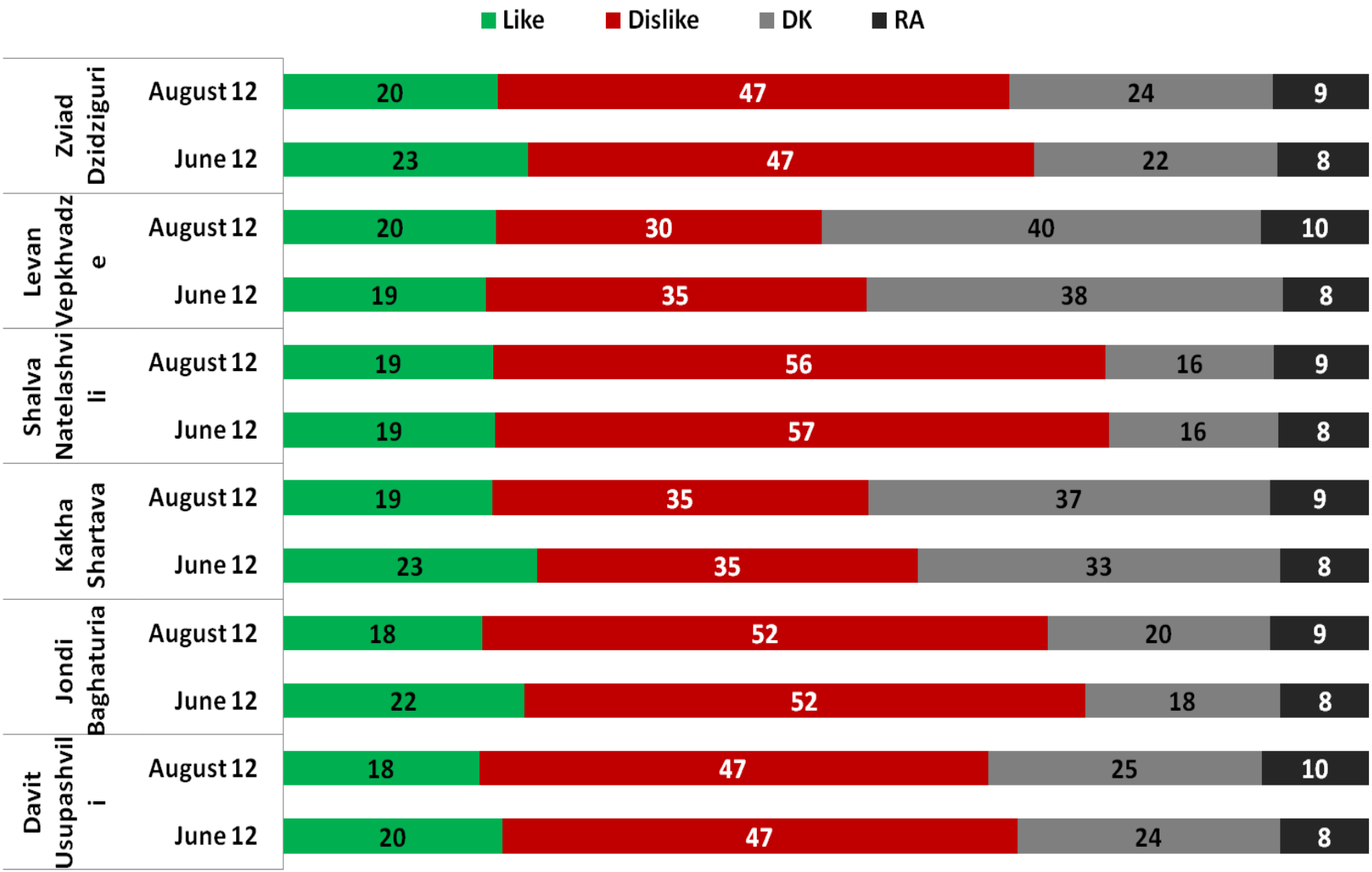

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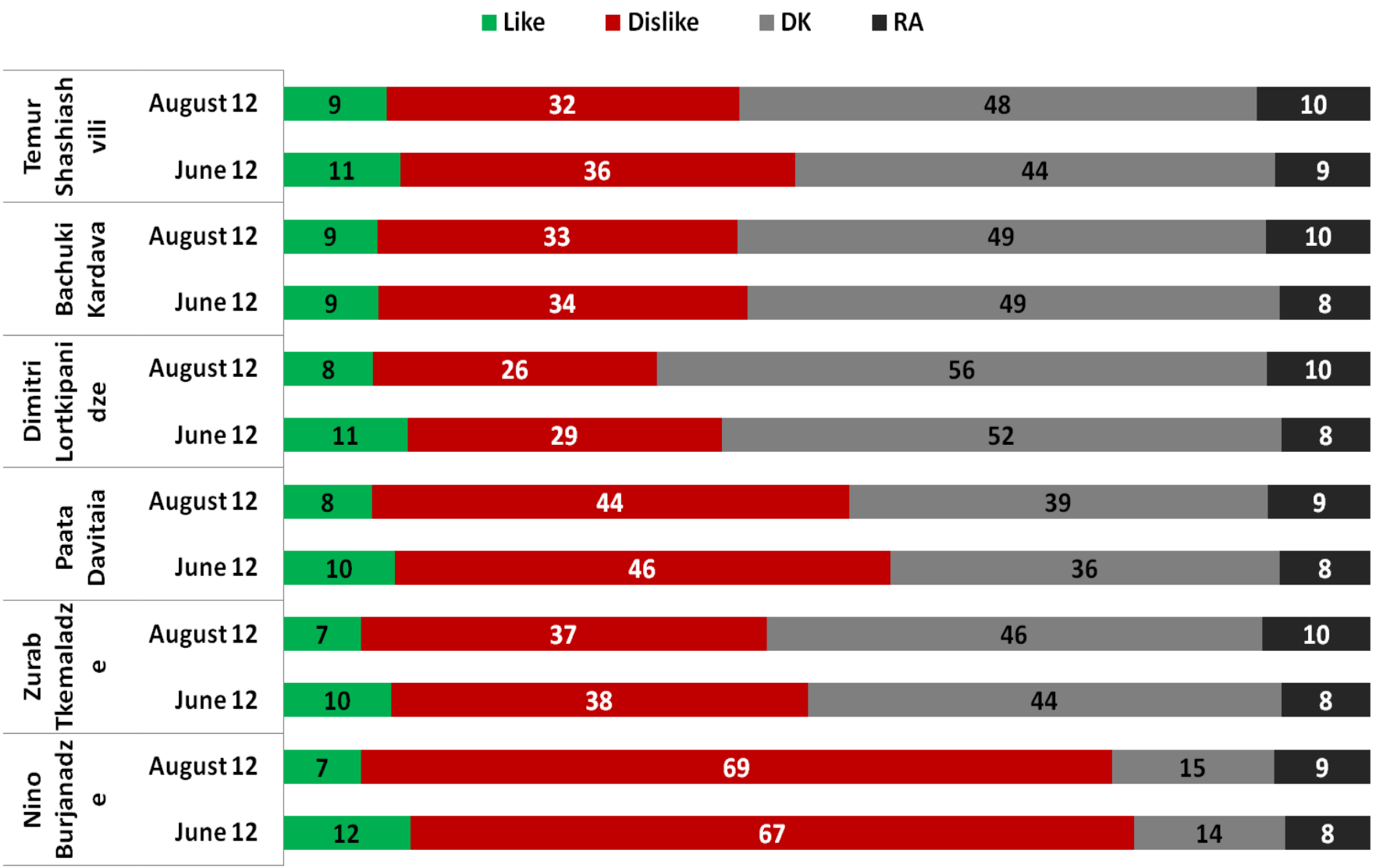
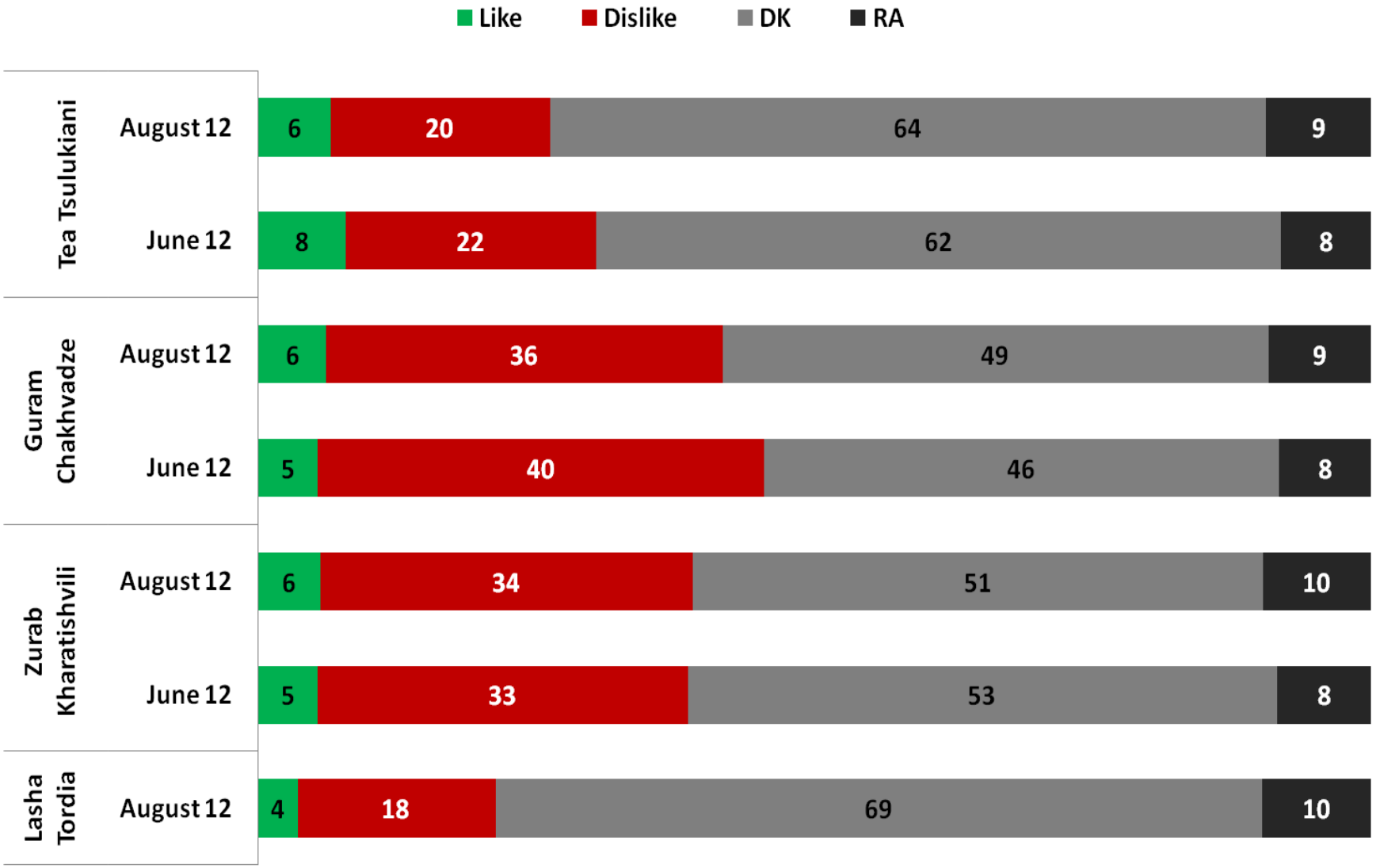
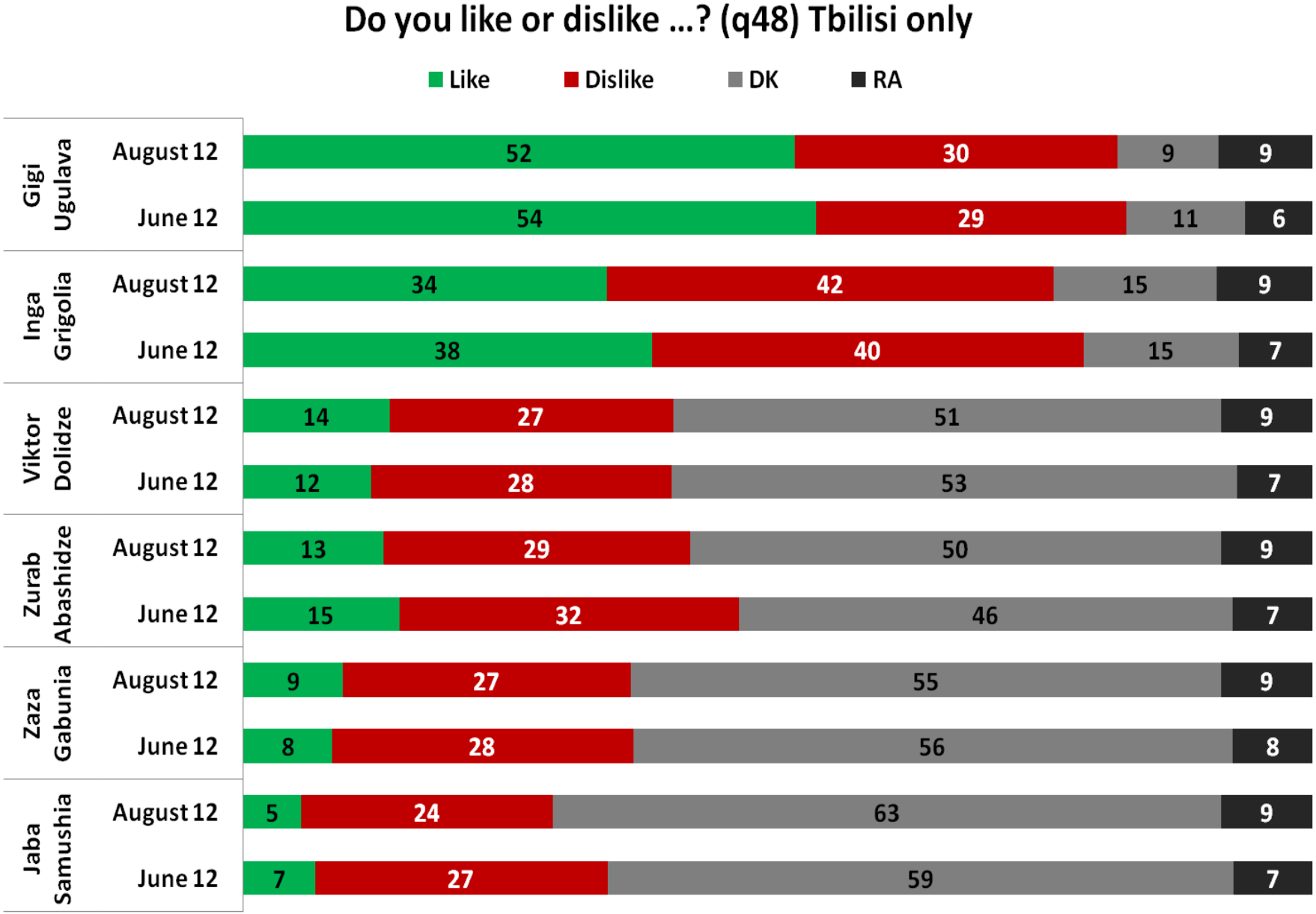


Do you like or dislike … (q48) Part 7




Do you like or dislike ...? (q48) Tbilisi only
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Inga Grigolia
August 12
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June 12
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Viktor Dolidze
August 12
14
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June 12
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Zurab Abashidze
August 12
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Zaza Gabunia
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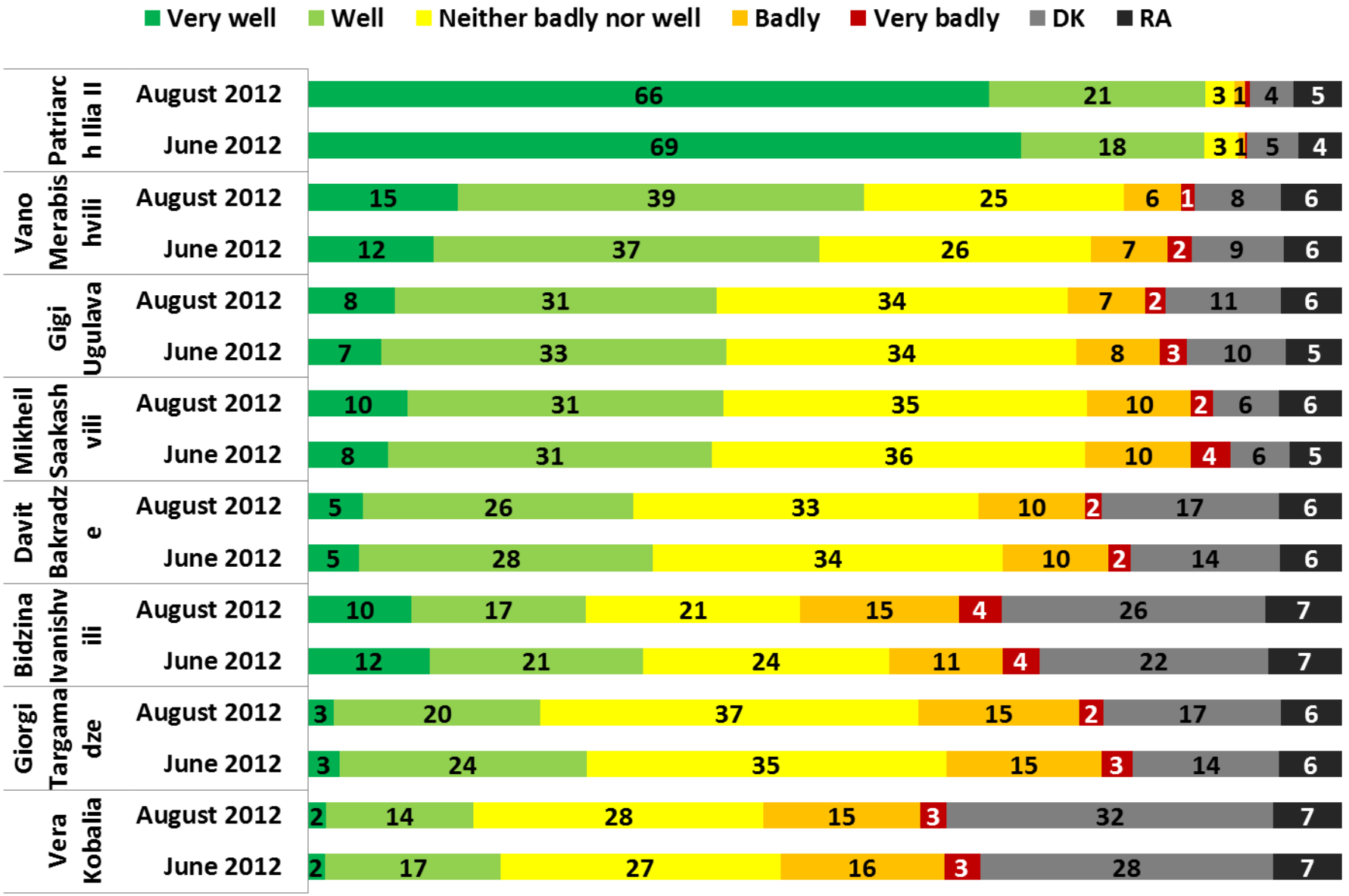

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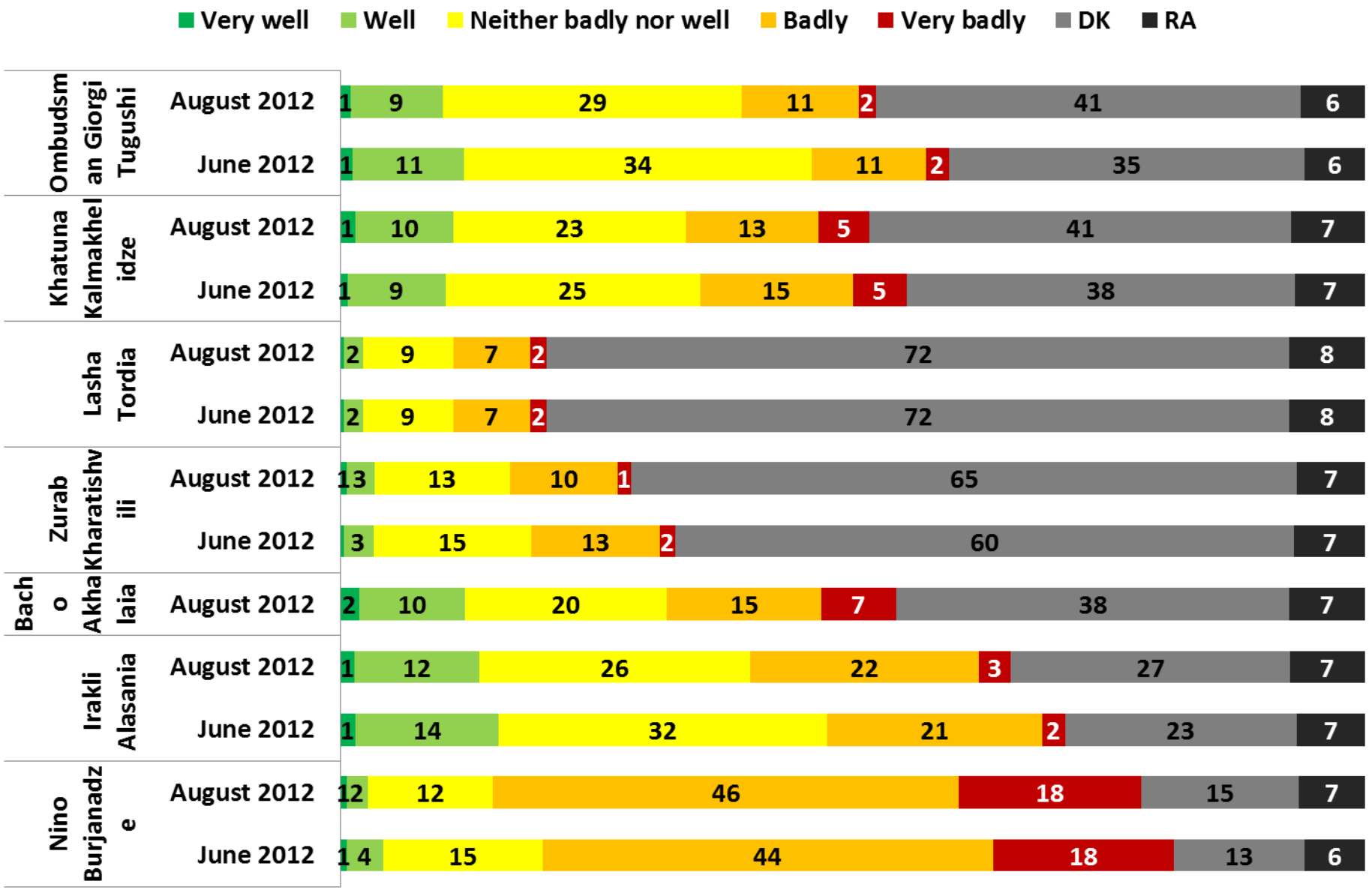

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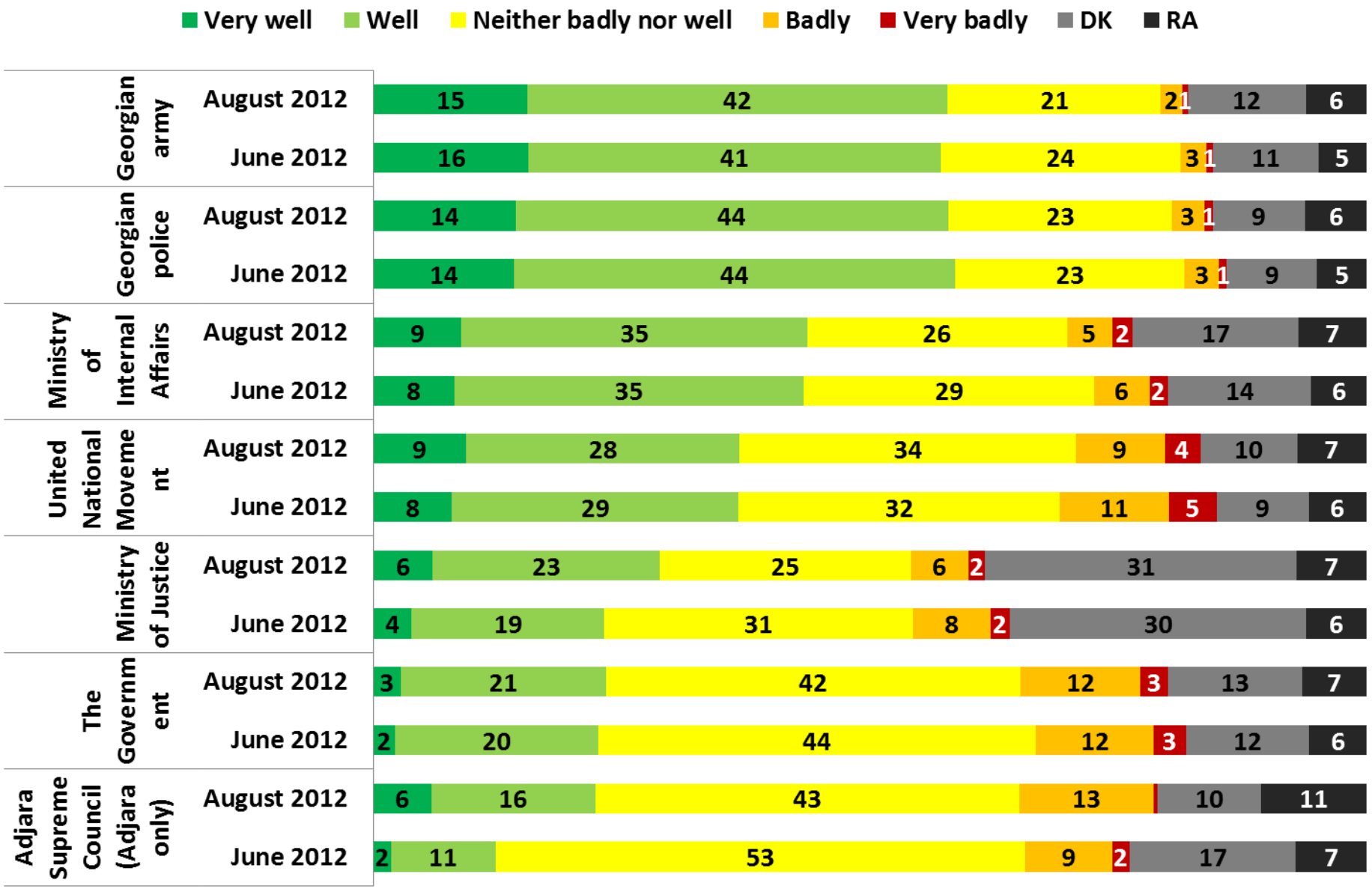

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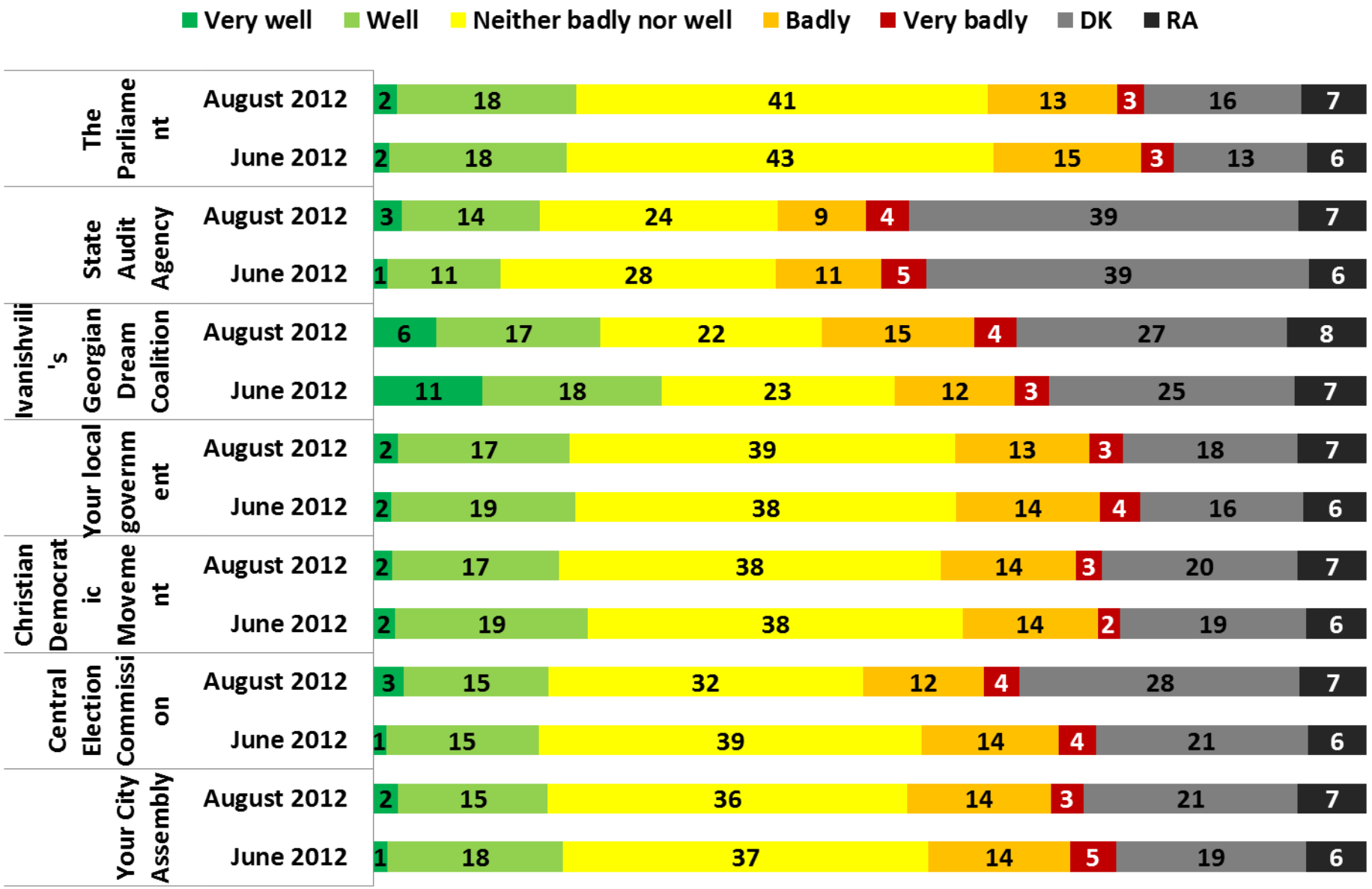

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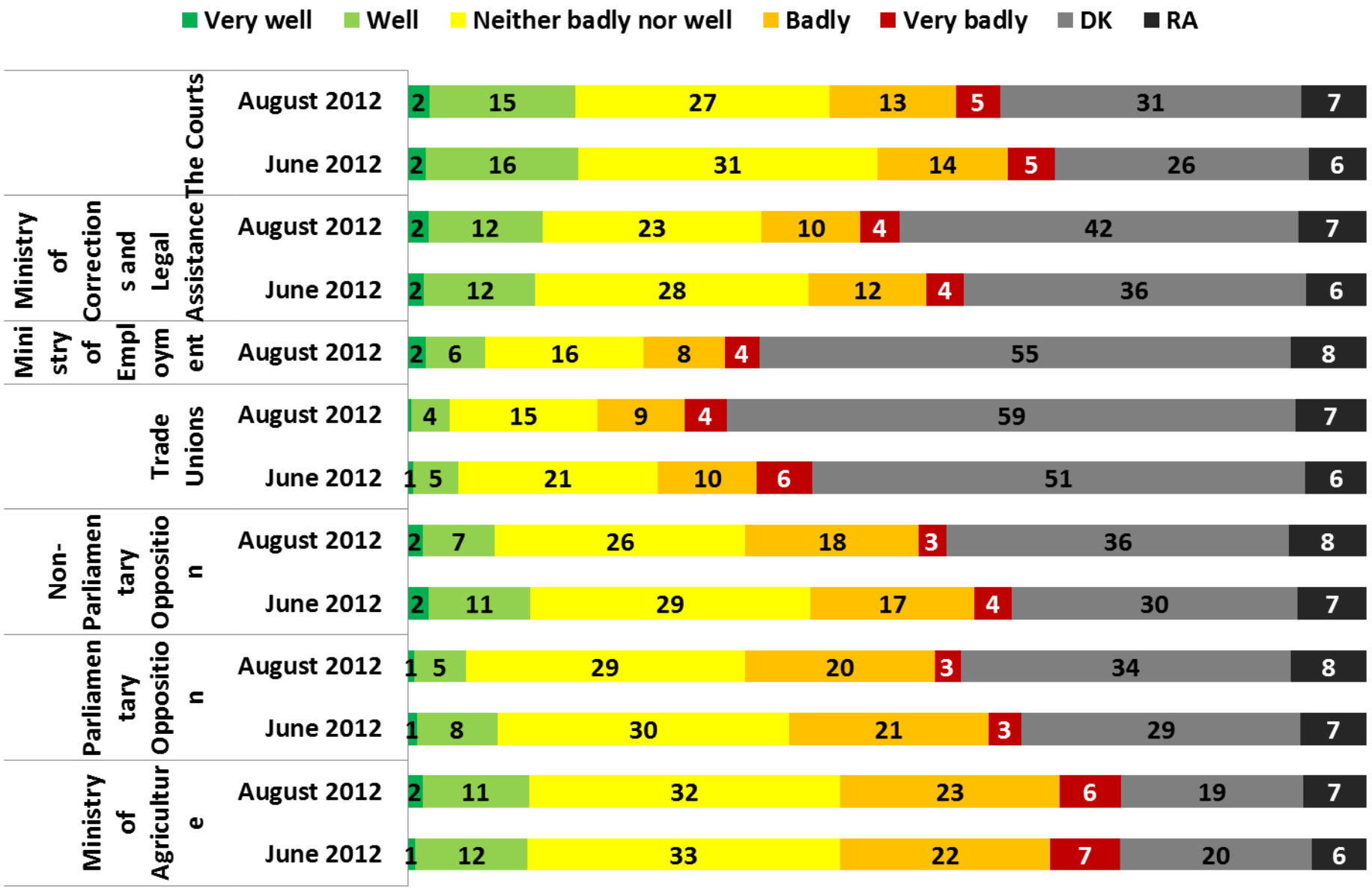

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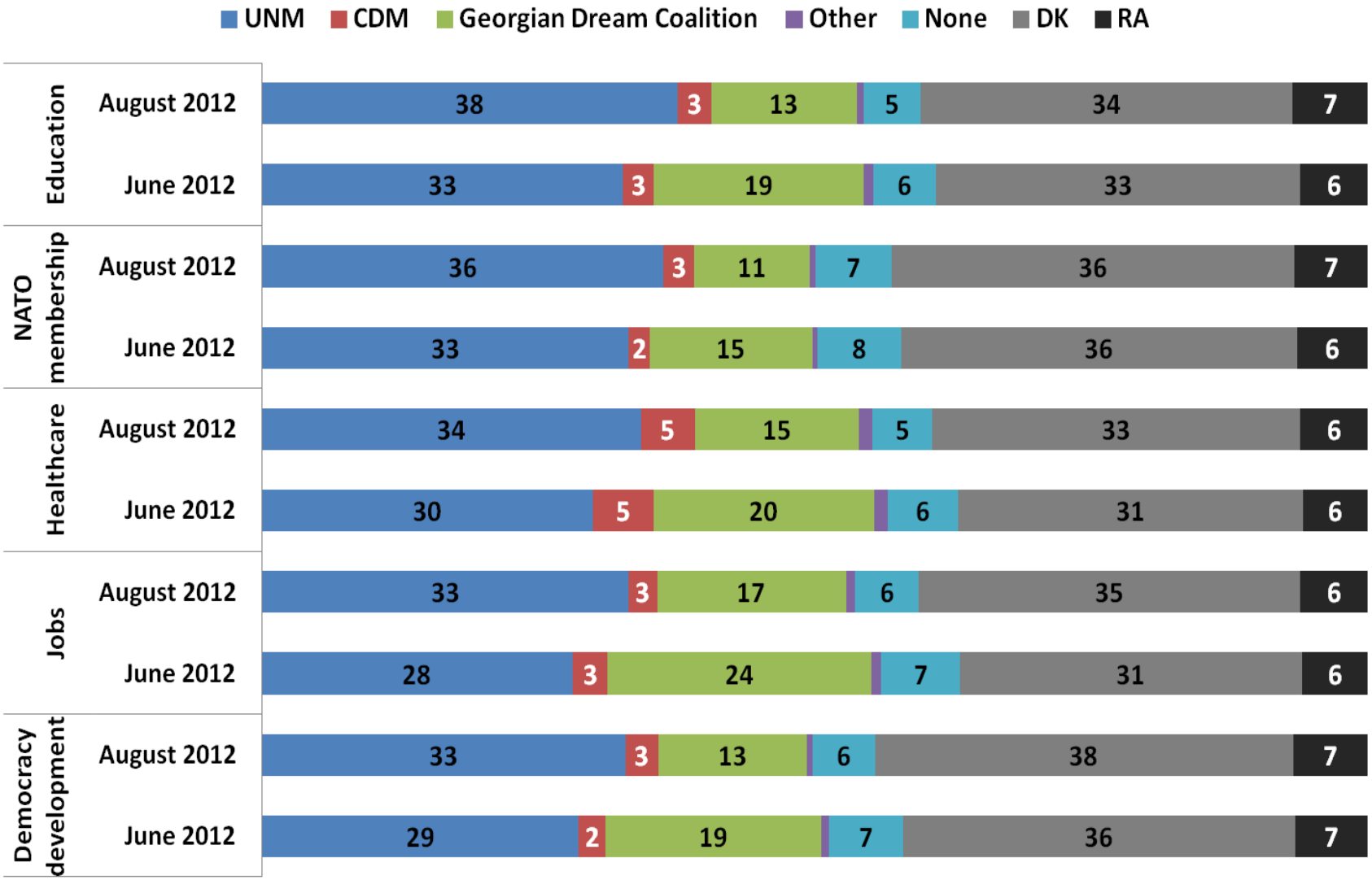

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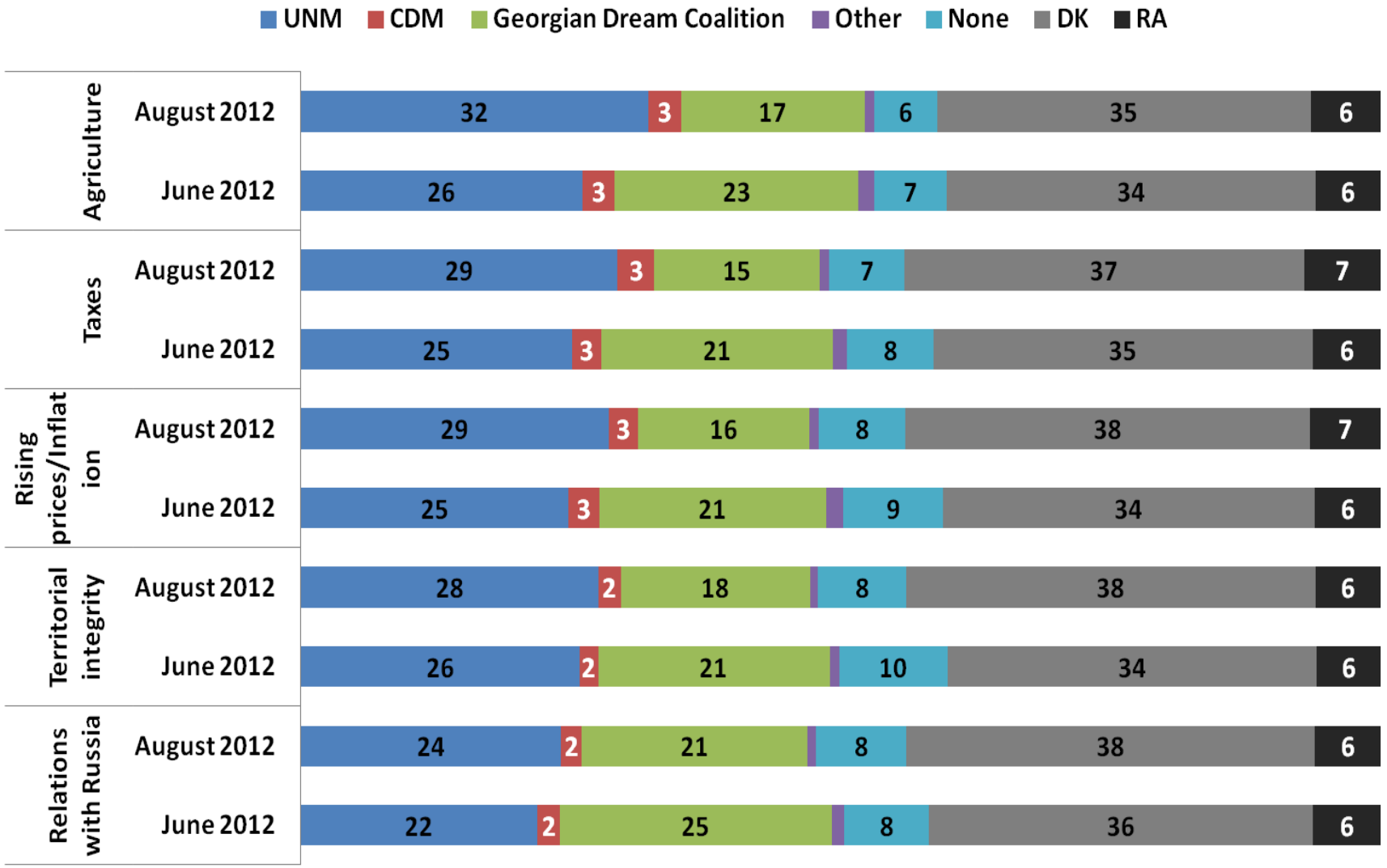
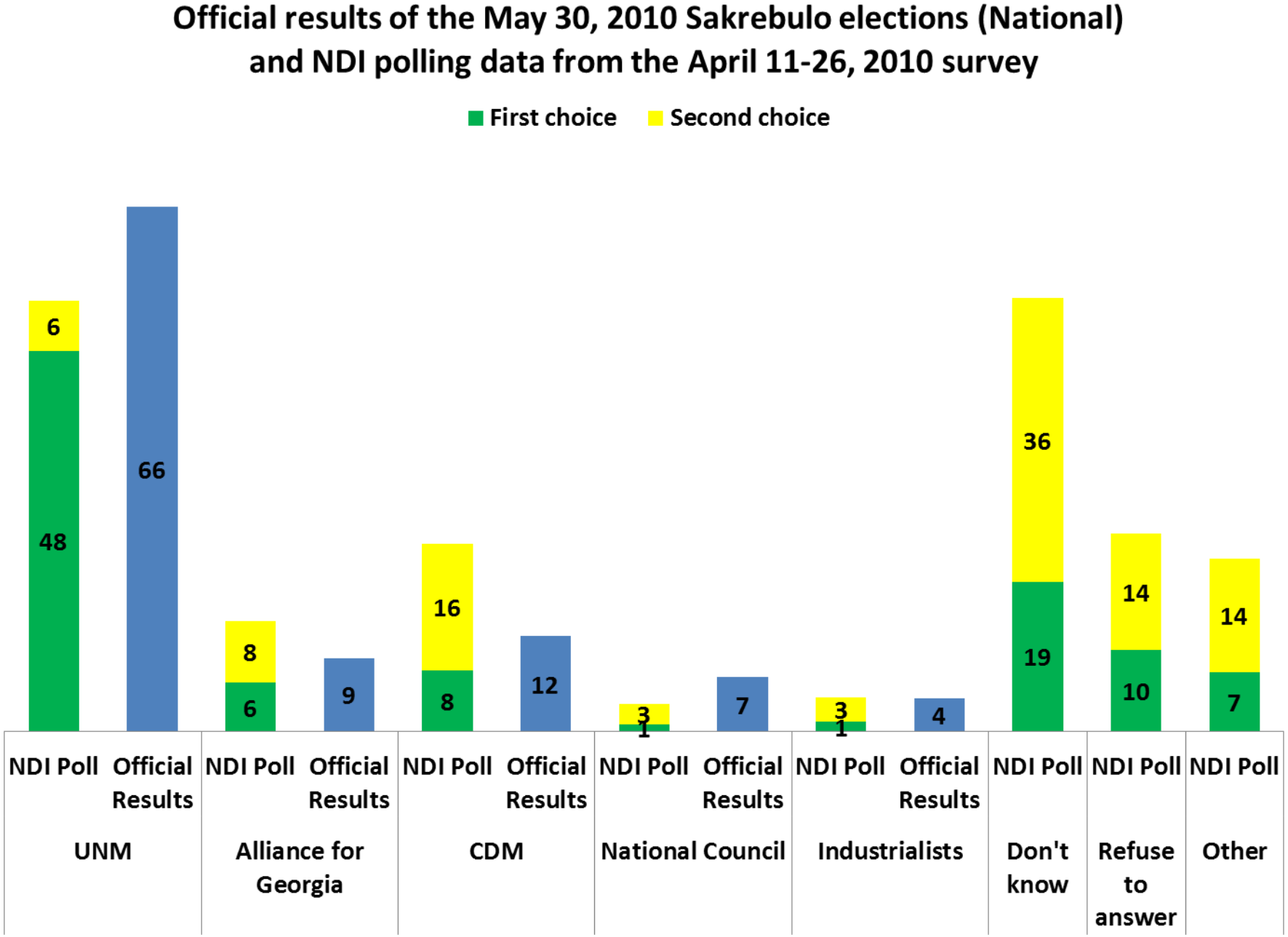


2010 Polling and Elections


Official results of the May 30, 2010 Sakrebulo elections (National) and NDI polling data from the April 11-26, 2010 survey
First choice
Second choice
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NDI Poll
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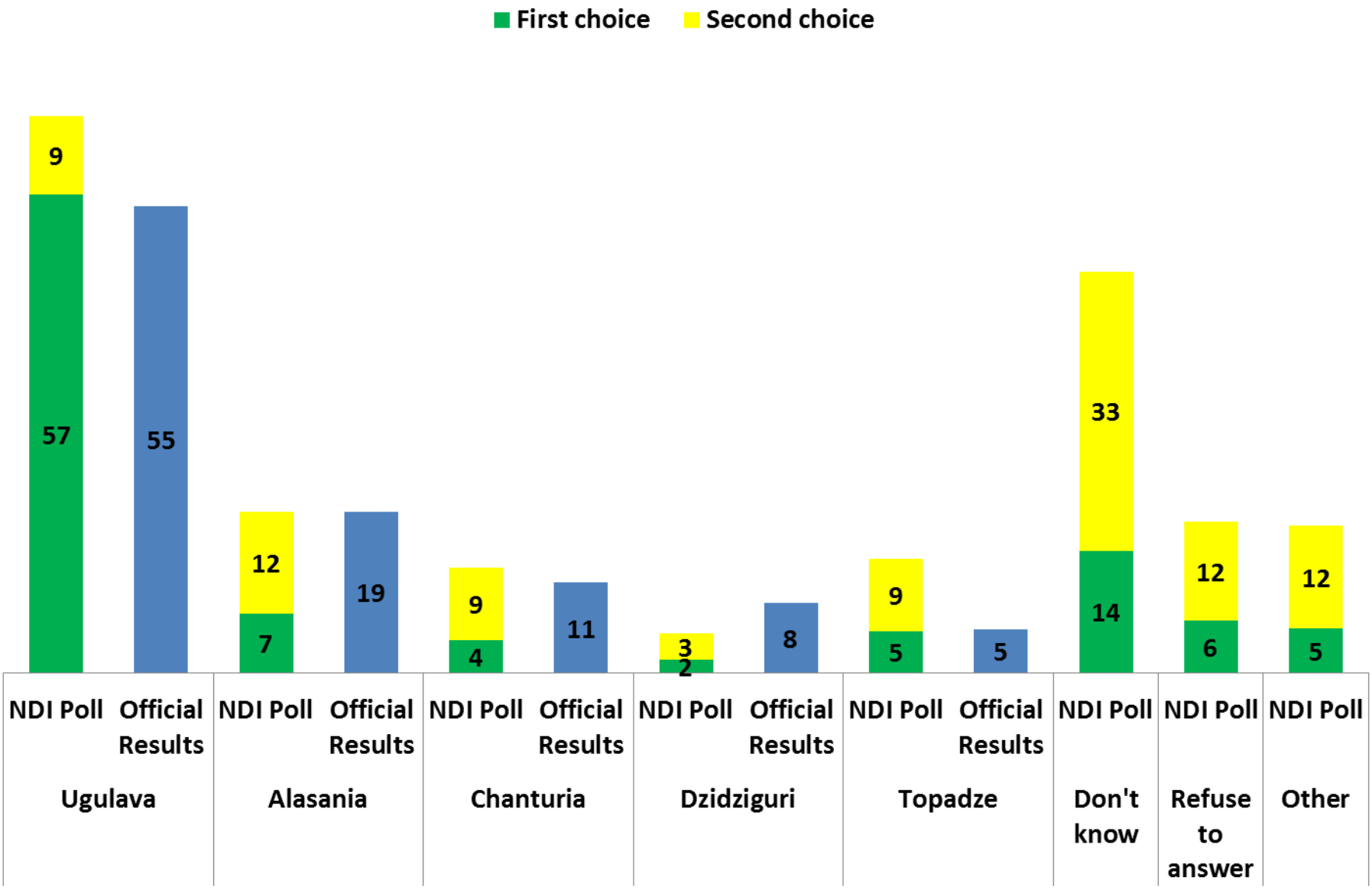
Official Results
Alliance for Georgia
NDI Poll
Official Results
CDM
NDI Poll
Official Results
National Council
NDI Poll
Official Results
Industrialists
NDI Poll
Don't know
NDI Poll
Refuse to answer
NDI Poll
Other

Official results of the May 30, 2010 Tbilisi Mayoral election and NDI polling data from the April 11-26, 2010 survey



Party crosstabs

What is a crosstab?

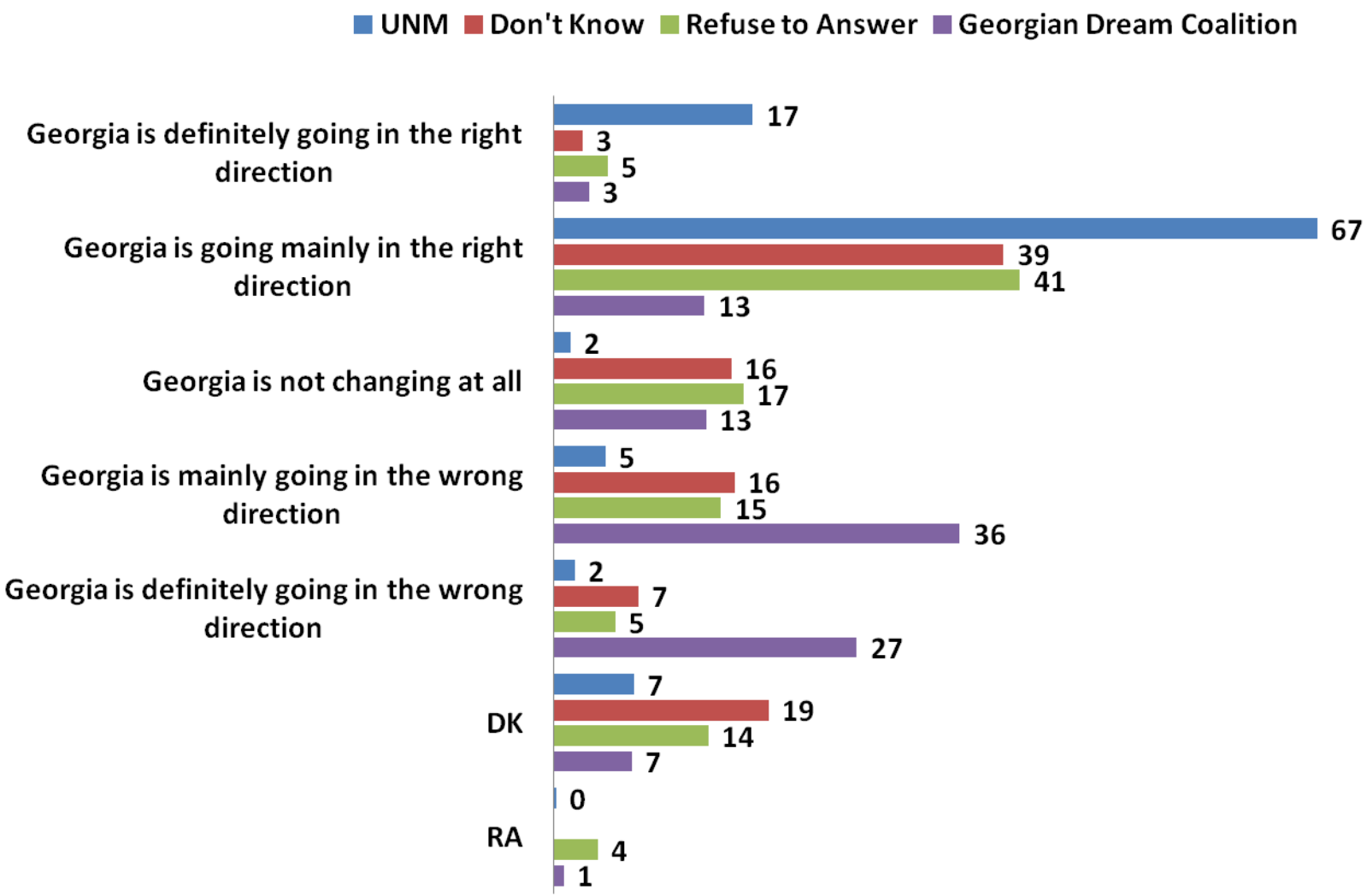
A crosstab shows the relationship between two variables (questions). In other words, it can show how people who are in one category (future parliamentary vote, in this presentation) answered other questions. Other examples which might be more familiar are gender, settlement and age.

The next few slides show how respondents for UNM, Georgian Dream, “don’t know” and “refuse to answer” are different or similar to each other.

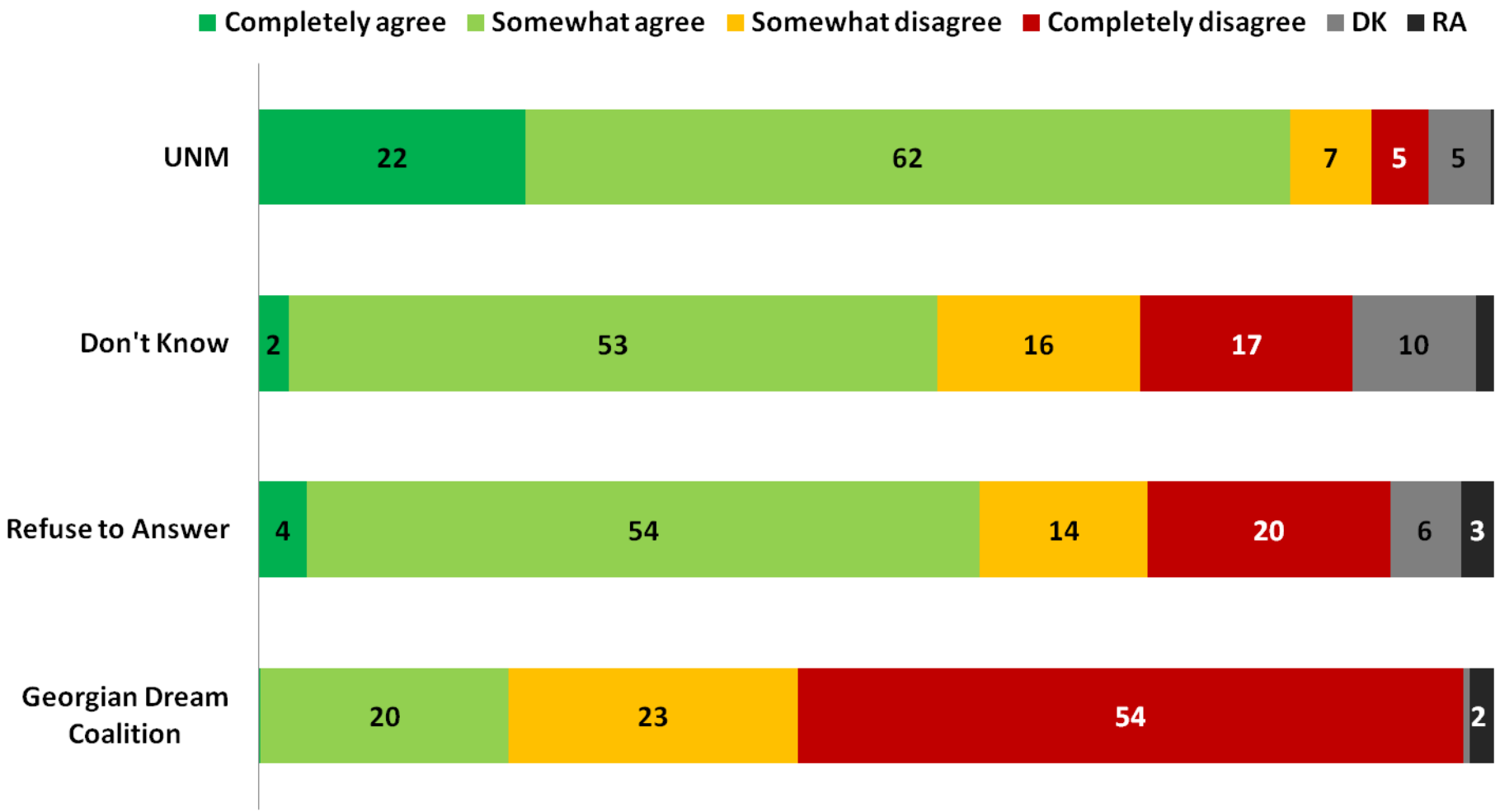
A crosstab demonstrates the relationship between two questions. It does not show if there is a dependent relationship between those two questions.

What the following slides show is that “don’t know” and “refuse to answer” occupy the political center. But what they cannot show is who those groups will support in the coming election.

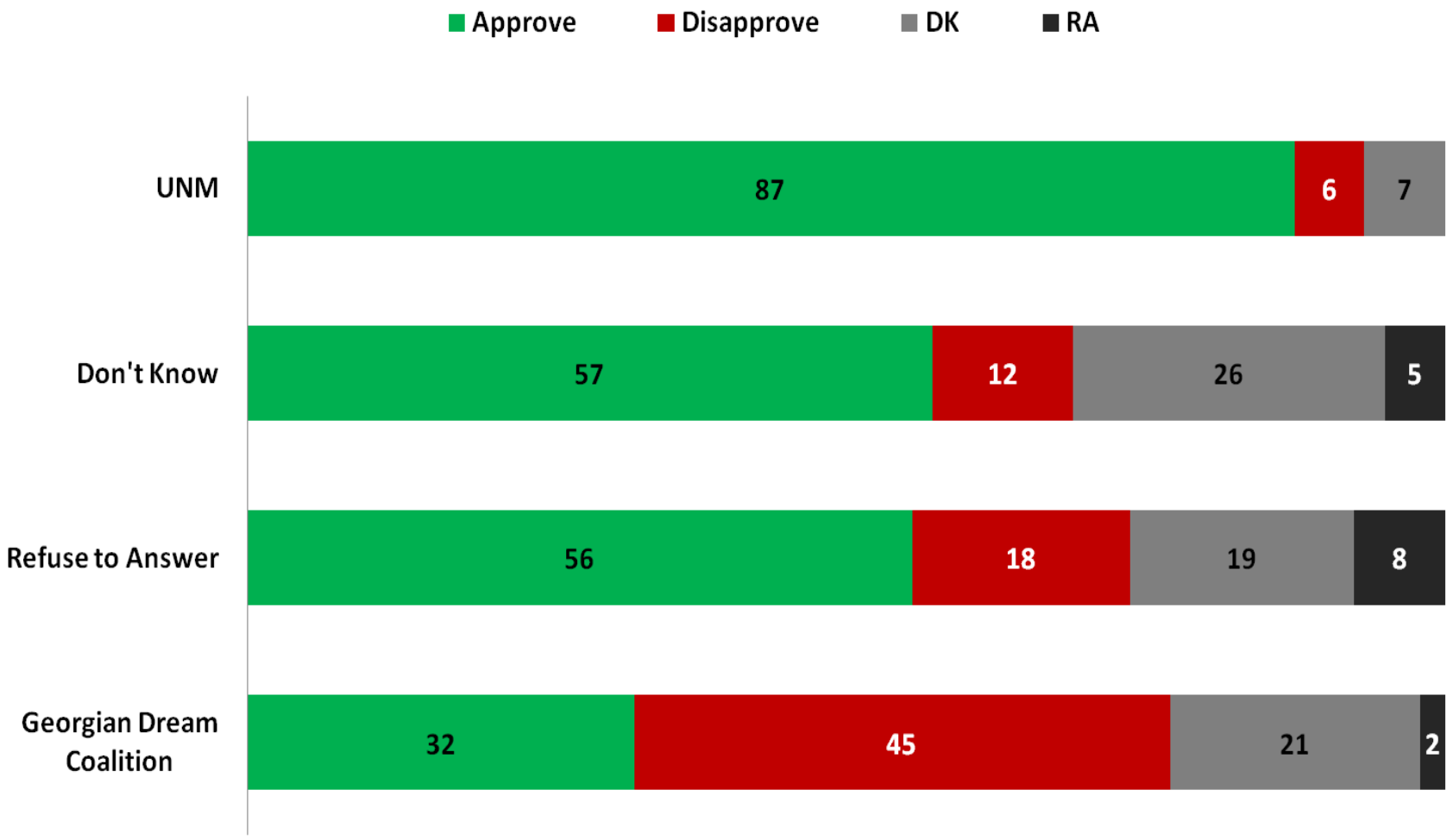
In which direction is Georgia going?
(q11 X Future parliamentary vote)



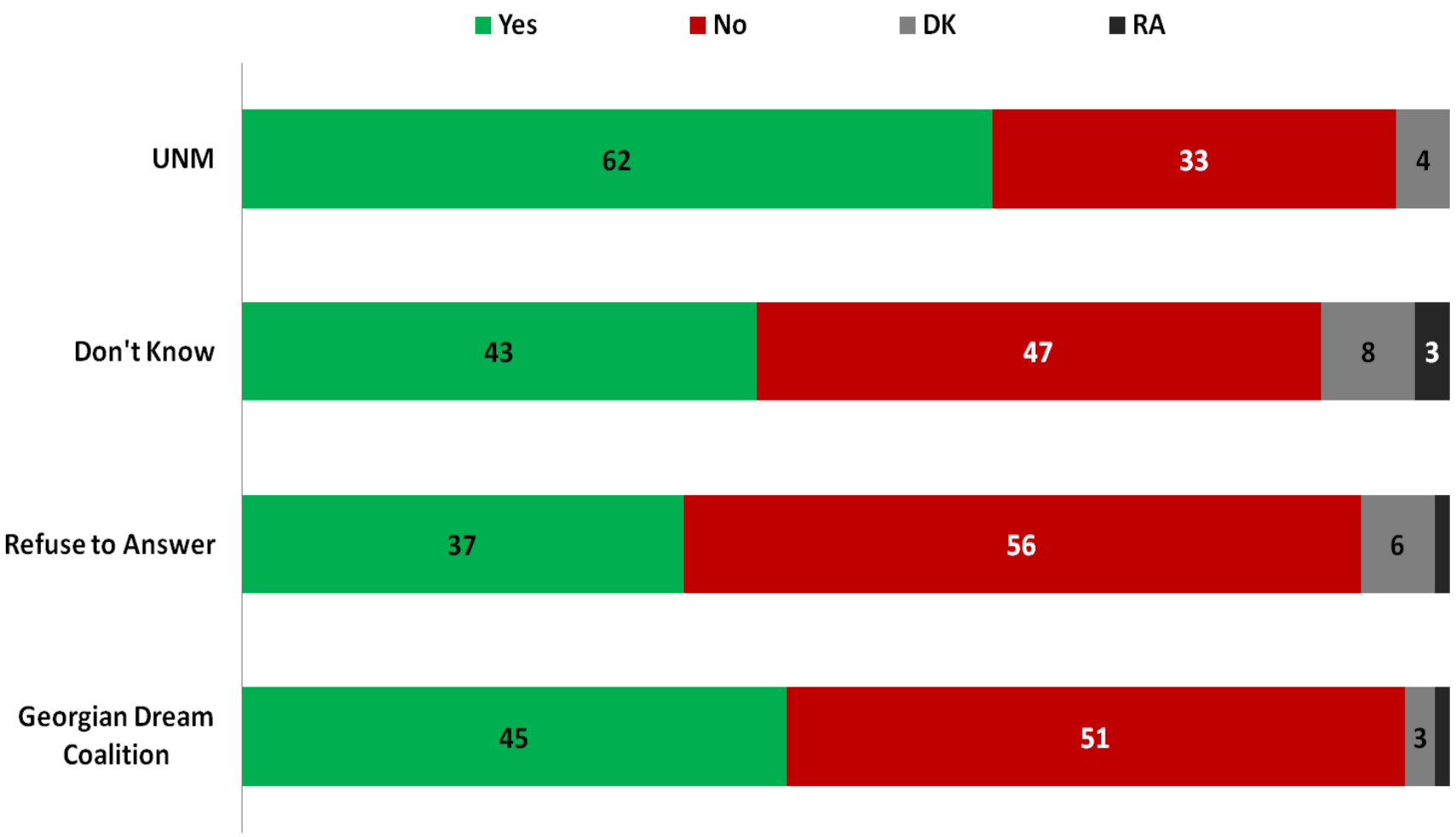
To what extent do you agree or disagree that the current government is making the changes that matter to you? (q13 X Future parliamentary vote)



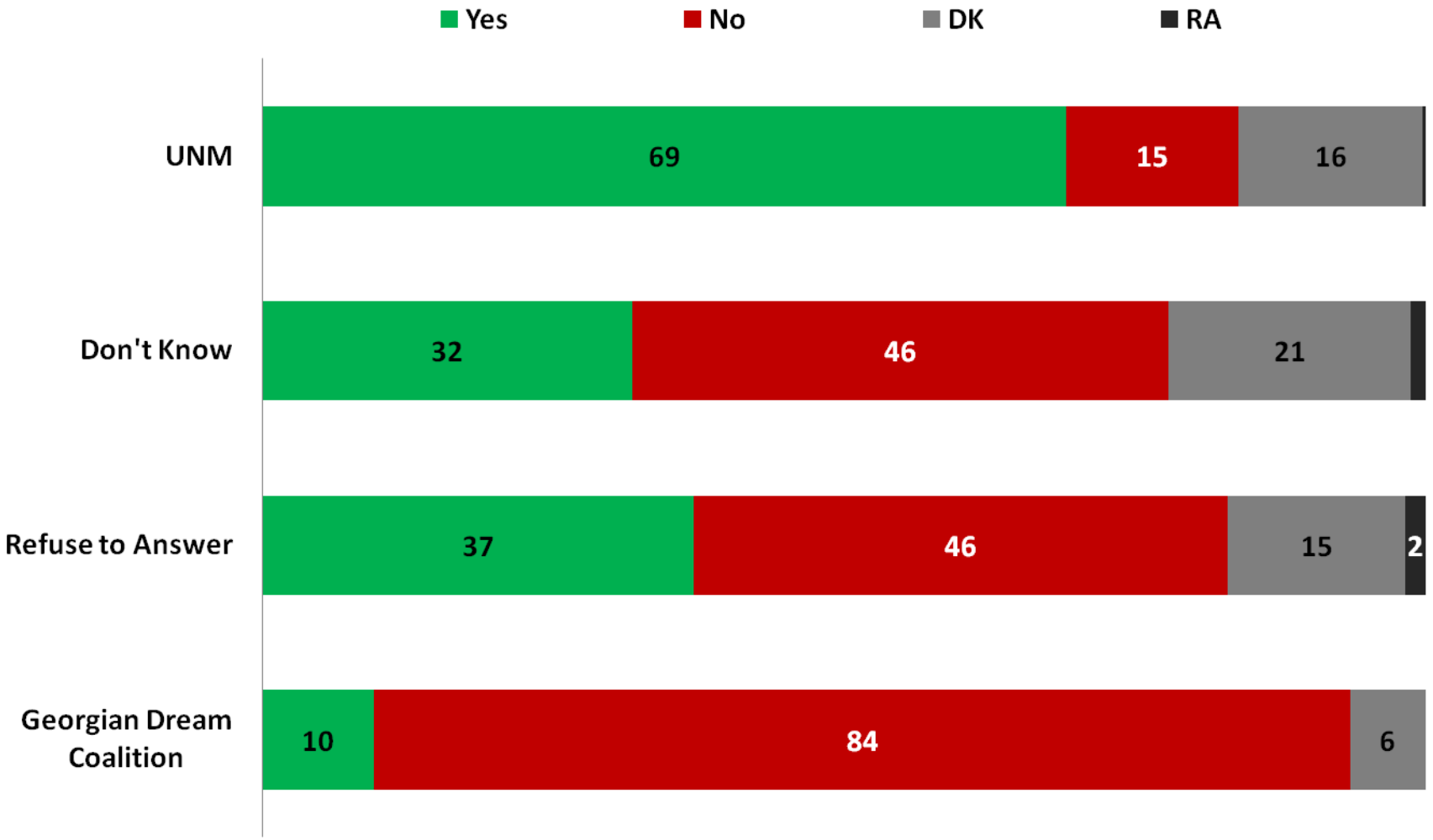
Vano Merabishvili has been appointed Prime Minister. Do you approve or disapprove of his appointment? (q65 X Future parliamentary vote)



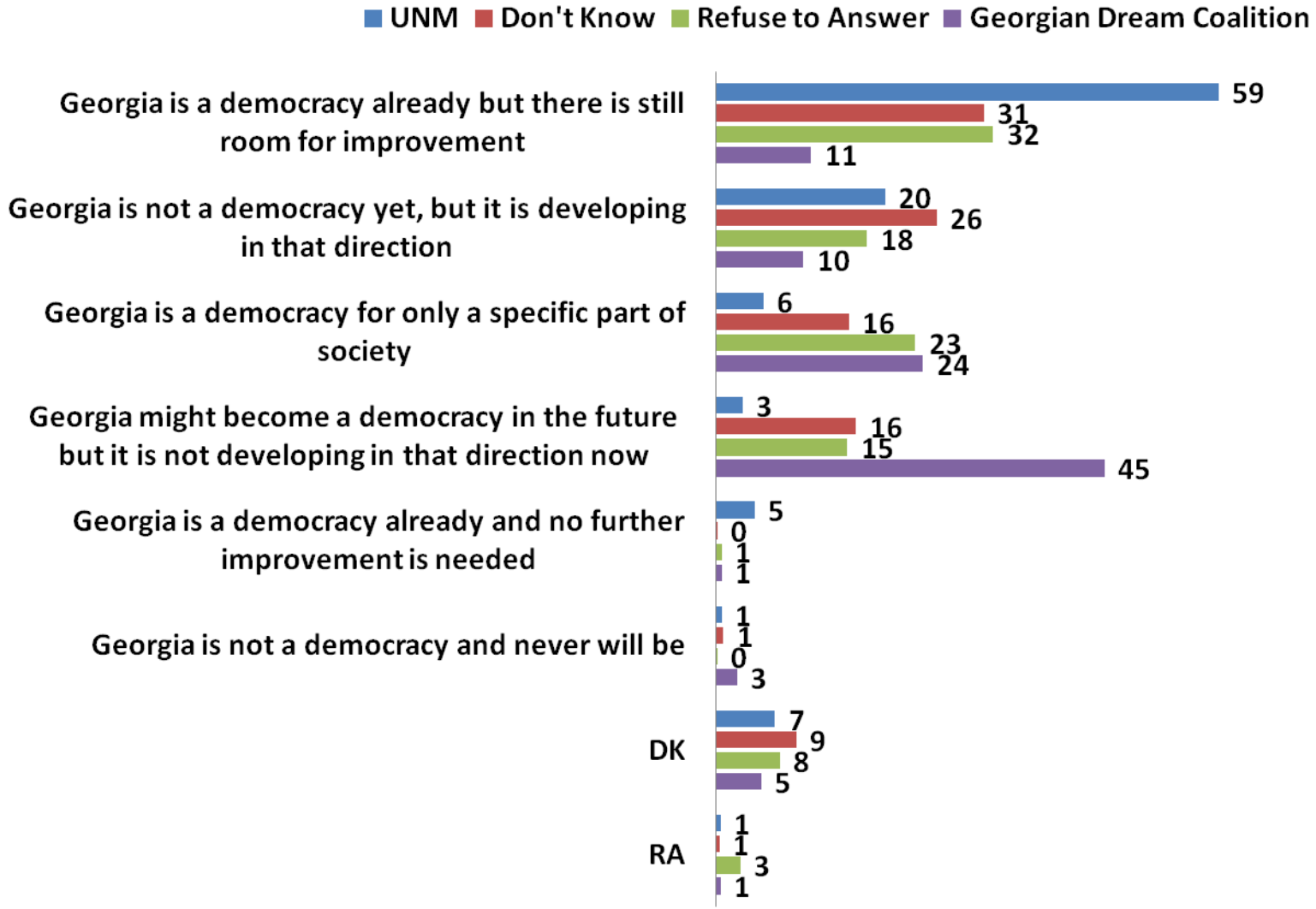
On July 4 Merabashvili announced the government's plan of the next four years. Are you aware of this plan? (q67 X Future parliamentary vote)



Is Georgia a democracy now?
(q18 X Future parliamentary vote)

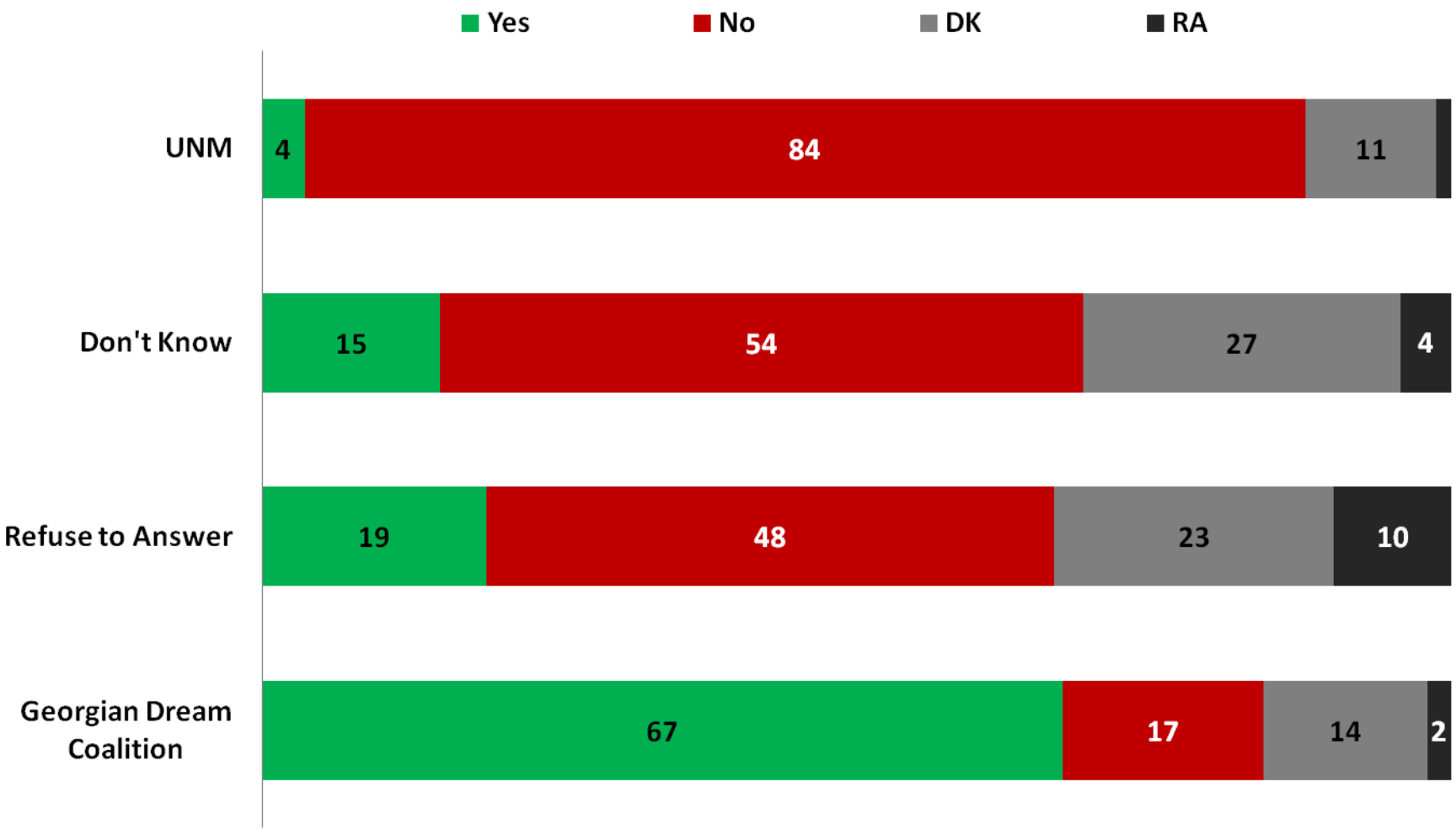


Which statement do you agree with the most?
(q19 X Future parliamentary vote)

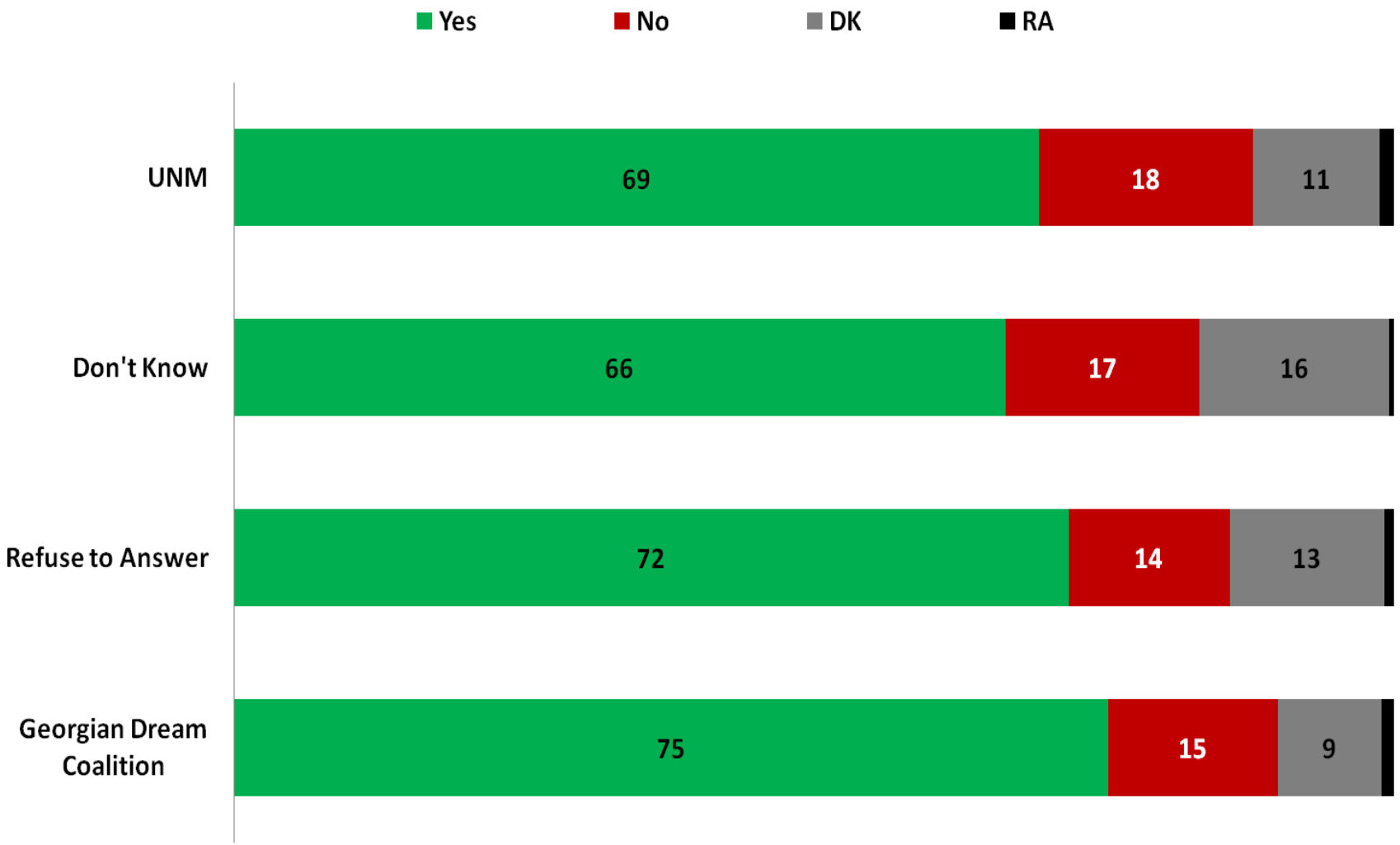


How do you think the coming parliamentary elections will be conducted? (q27 X Future parliamentary vote)

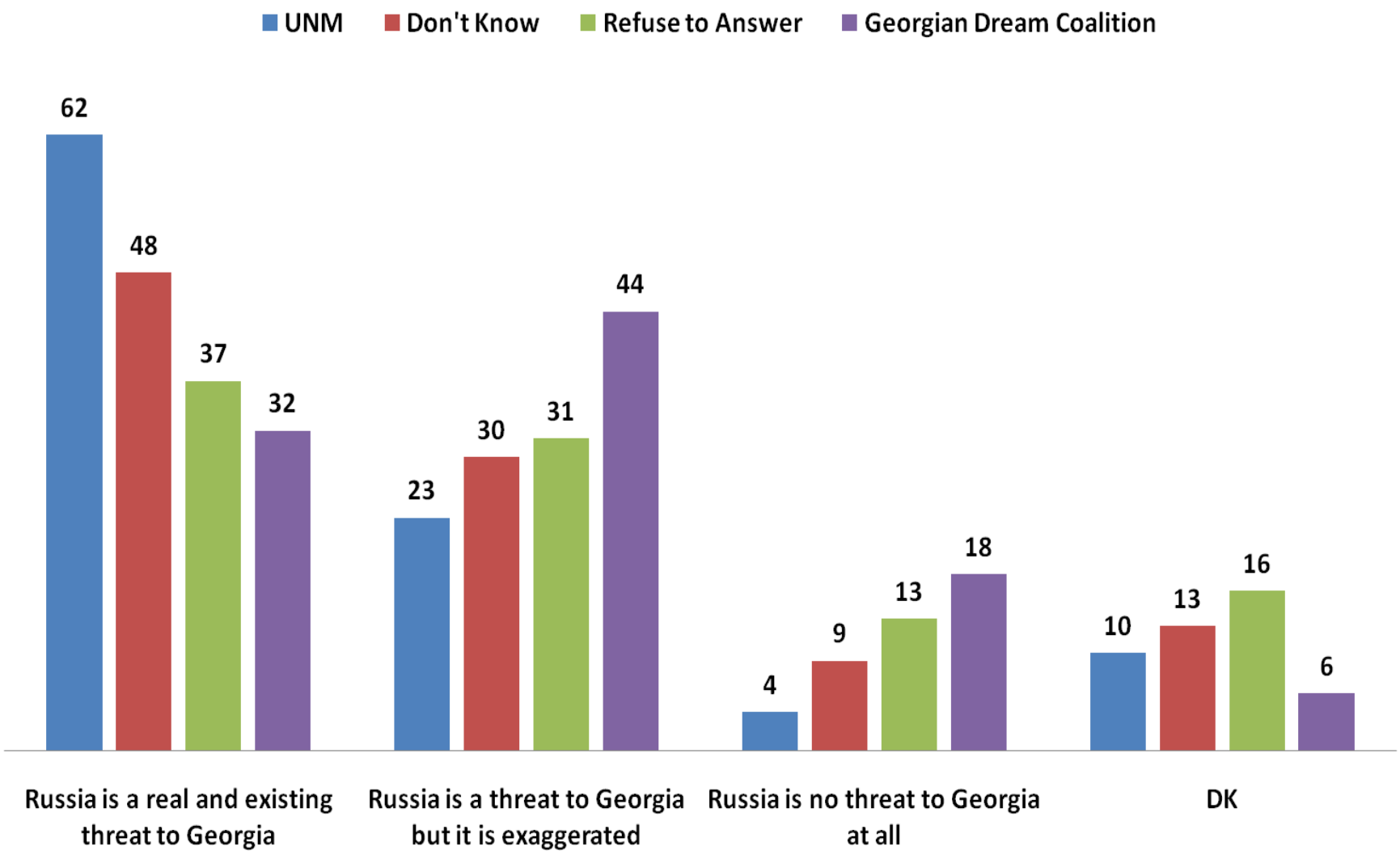
Bidzina Ivanishvili has said that he will call for street protests if elections are falsified. Would you support his call for such protests? (q33 X Future parliamentary vote)



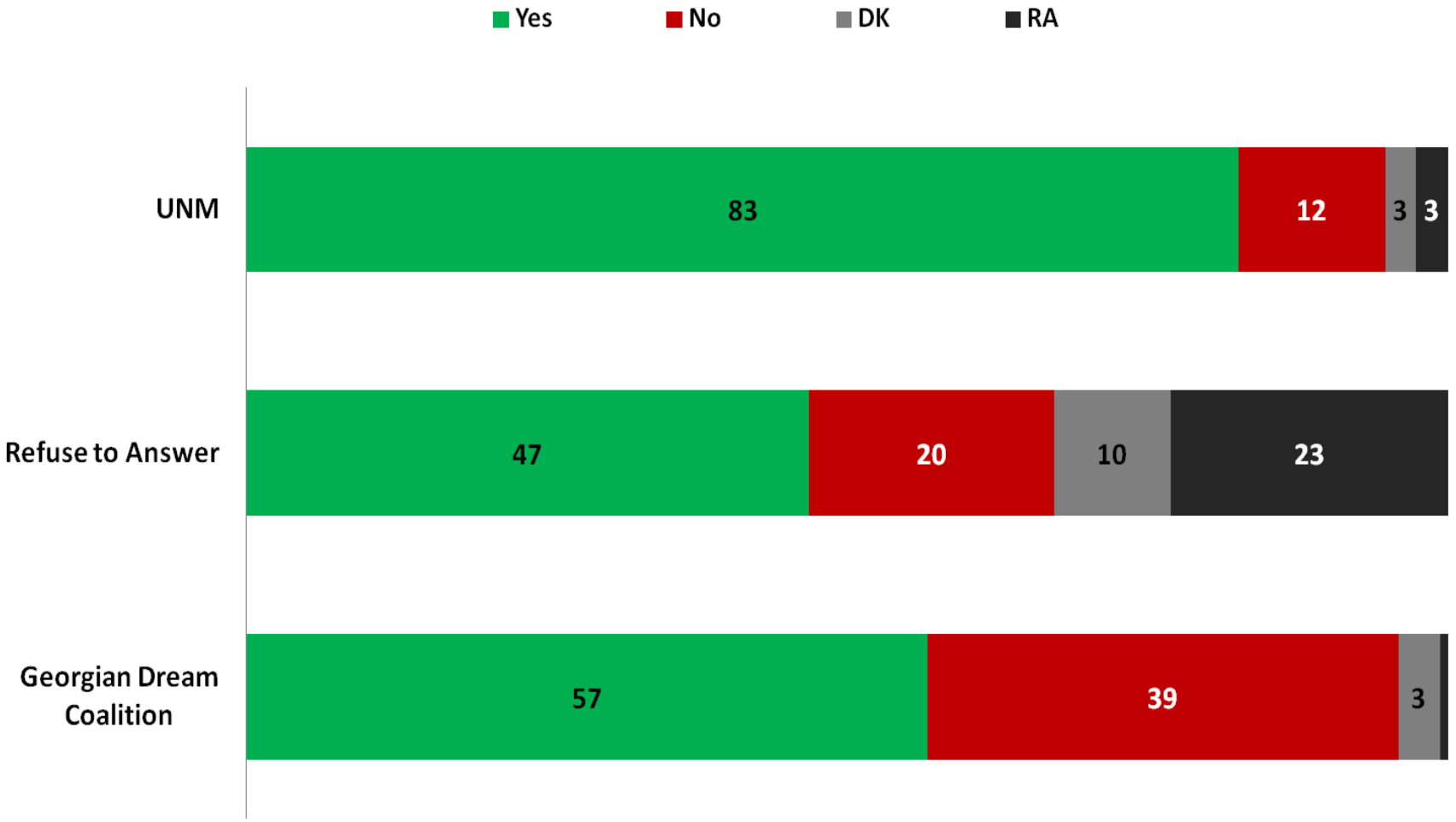
Would you vote for a woman candidate in the next parliamentary elections? (q45 X Future parliamentary vote)



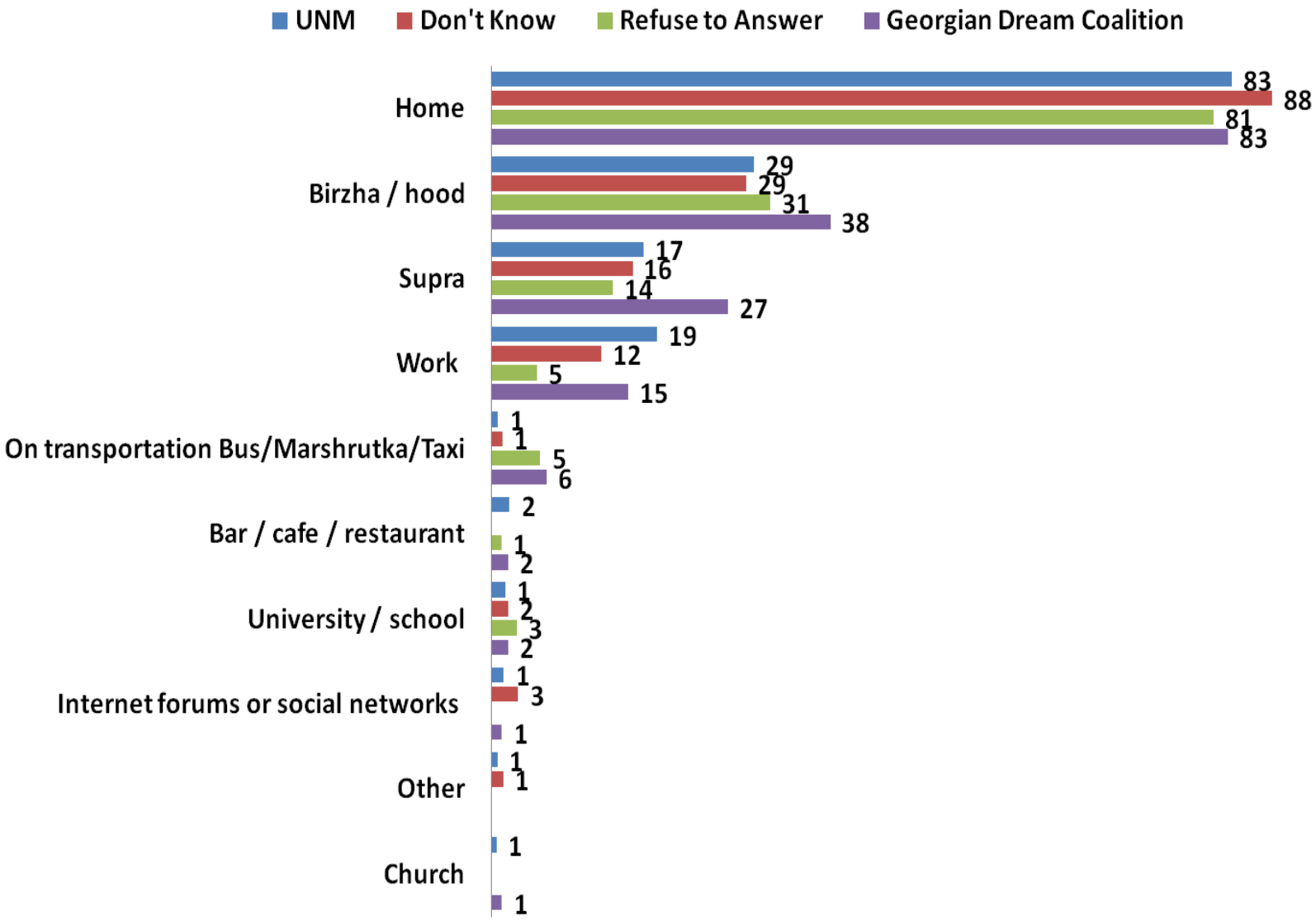
Which of the following statements do you agree with the most? (q52 X Future parliamentary vote)



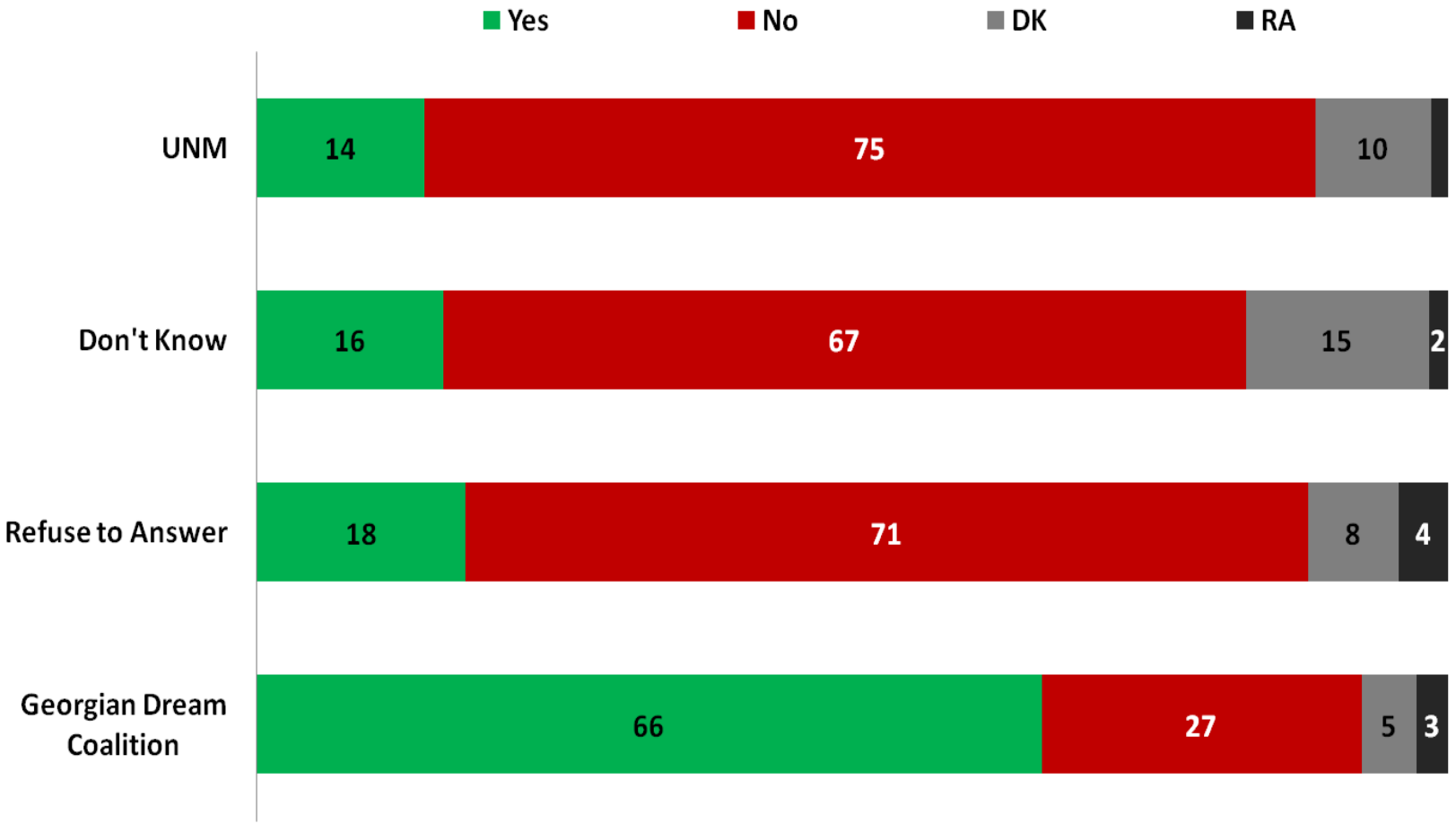
In the past three months have you been receiving enough information from the media about the party you support? (q64 X Future parliamentary vote)



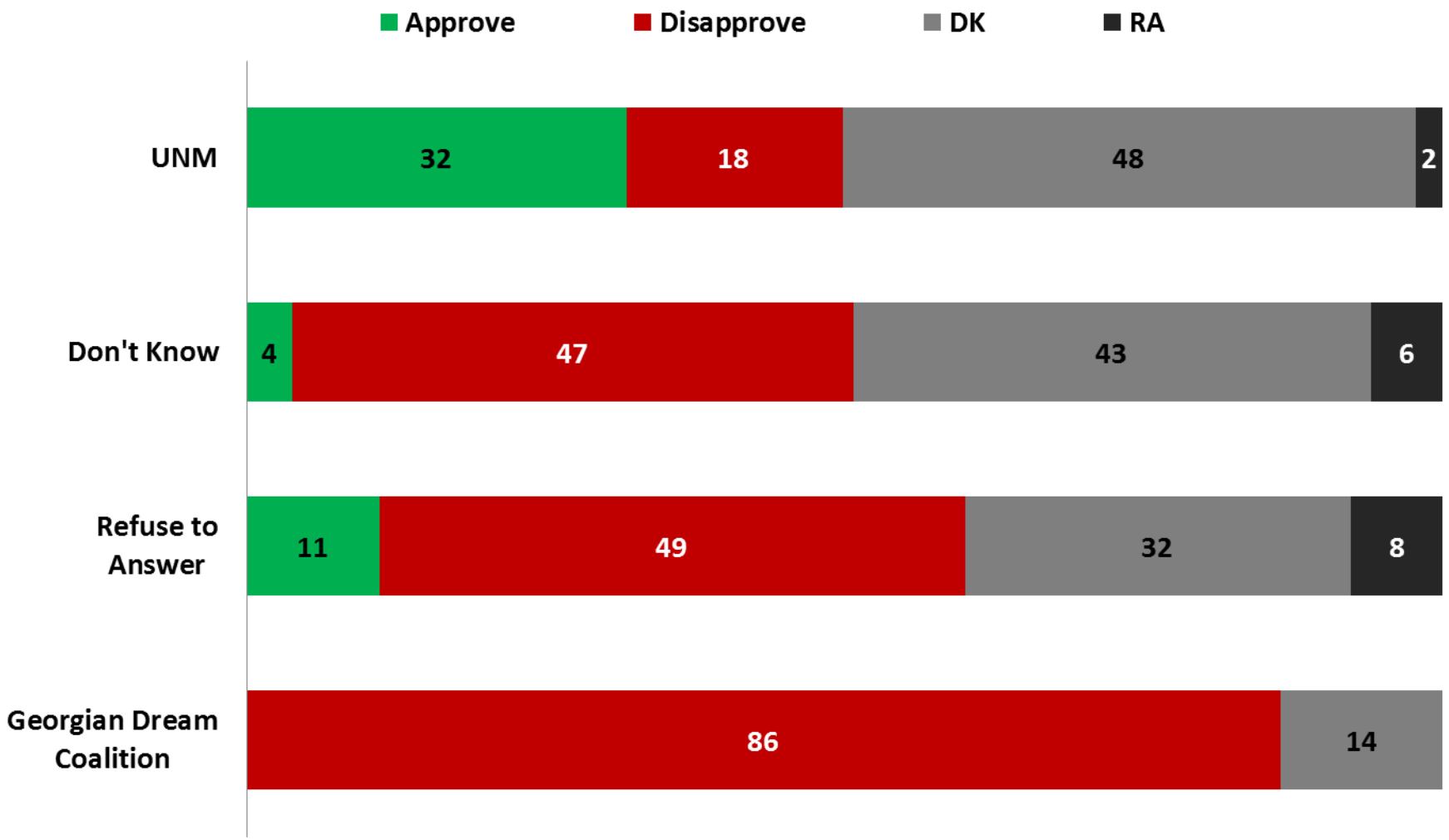
Where do you talk about politics? (q92 X Future parliamentary vote)



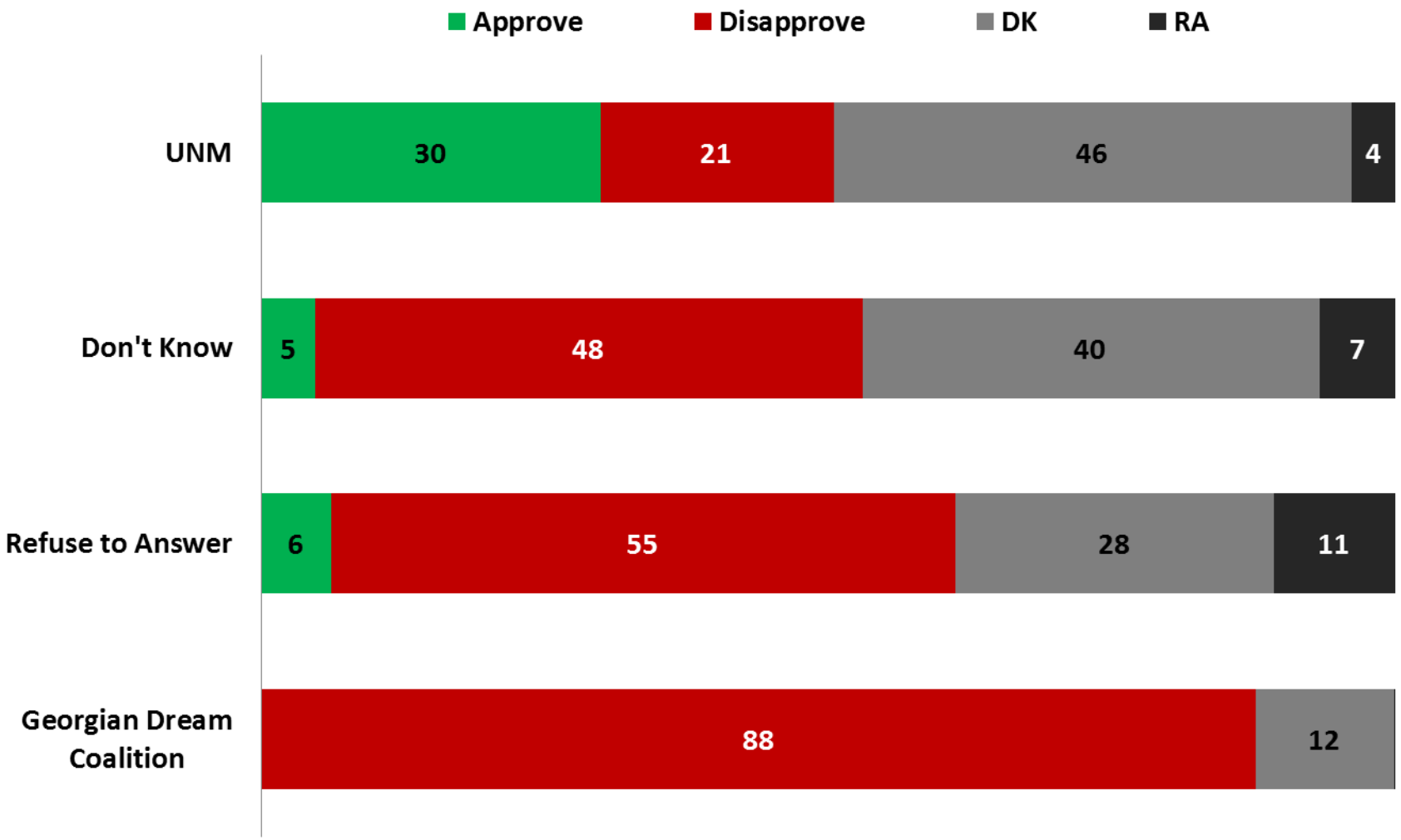
During his speech on May 27th Bidzina Ivanishvili said "seven months have passed since making my first statement and I assure you that everything is developing the way I planned and the way I thought it would." Are you aware of Ivanishivili's plan? (q81 X Future parliamentary vote)



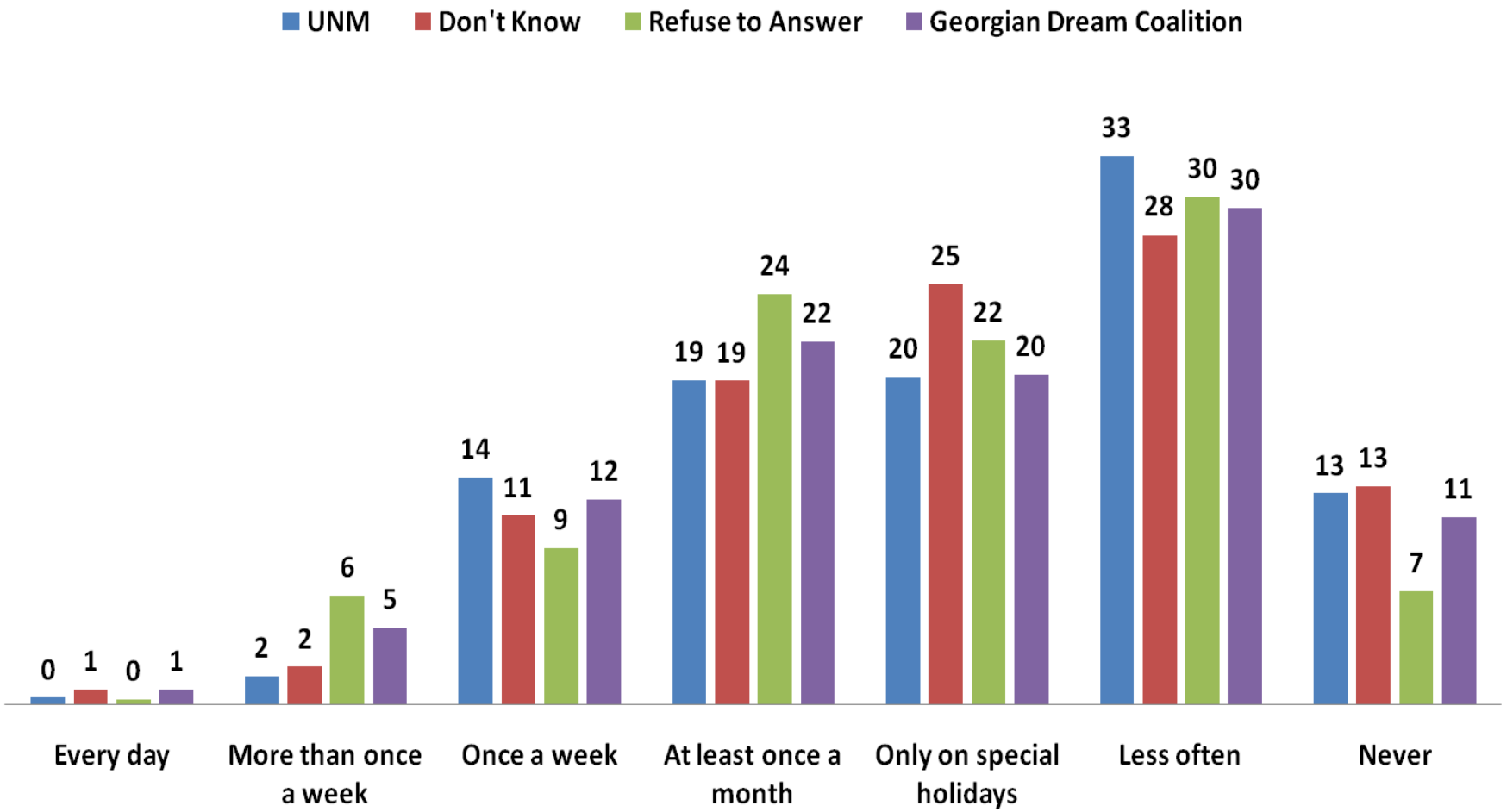
As a result of the State Audit Agency/Chamber of Control monitoring, Bidzina Ivanishvili has been fined 74 million lari in the case related to Global TV for making illegal contributions to the Georgian Dream CoalitionDo you approve or disapprove of this action by the State Audit Agency/Chamber of Control? (q75 X Future parliamentary vote)



The prosecutor's office has seized Maestro TV company satellite antennas based on allegations of vote buying by Bidzina Ivanishivili's Georgian Dream Coalition. Do you approve or disapprove of this action by the Prosecutor's Office? (q77 X Future parliamentary vote)

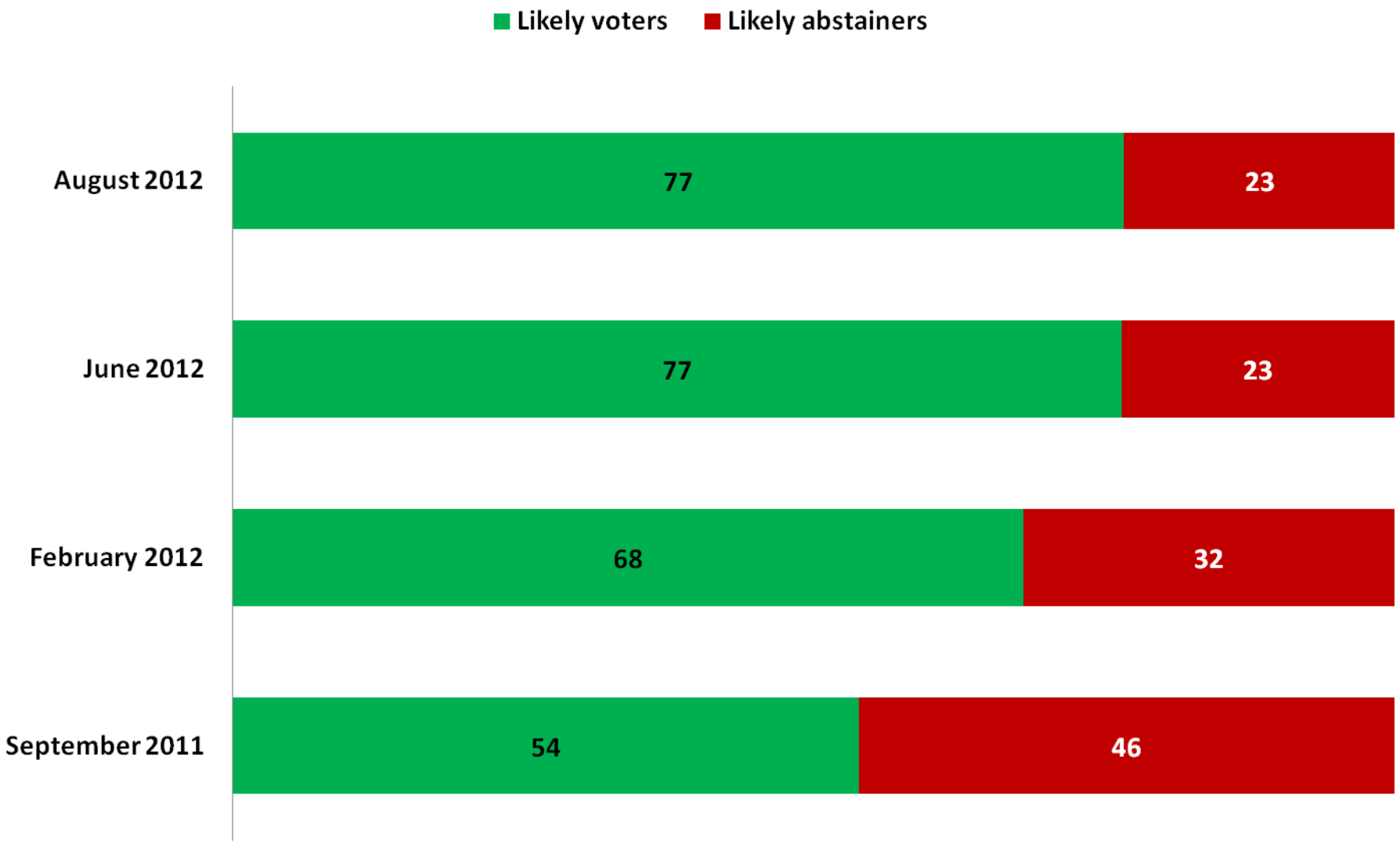


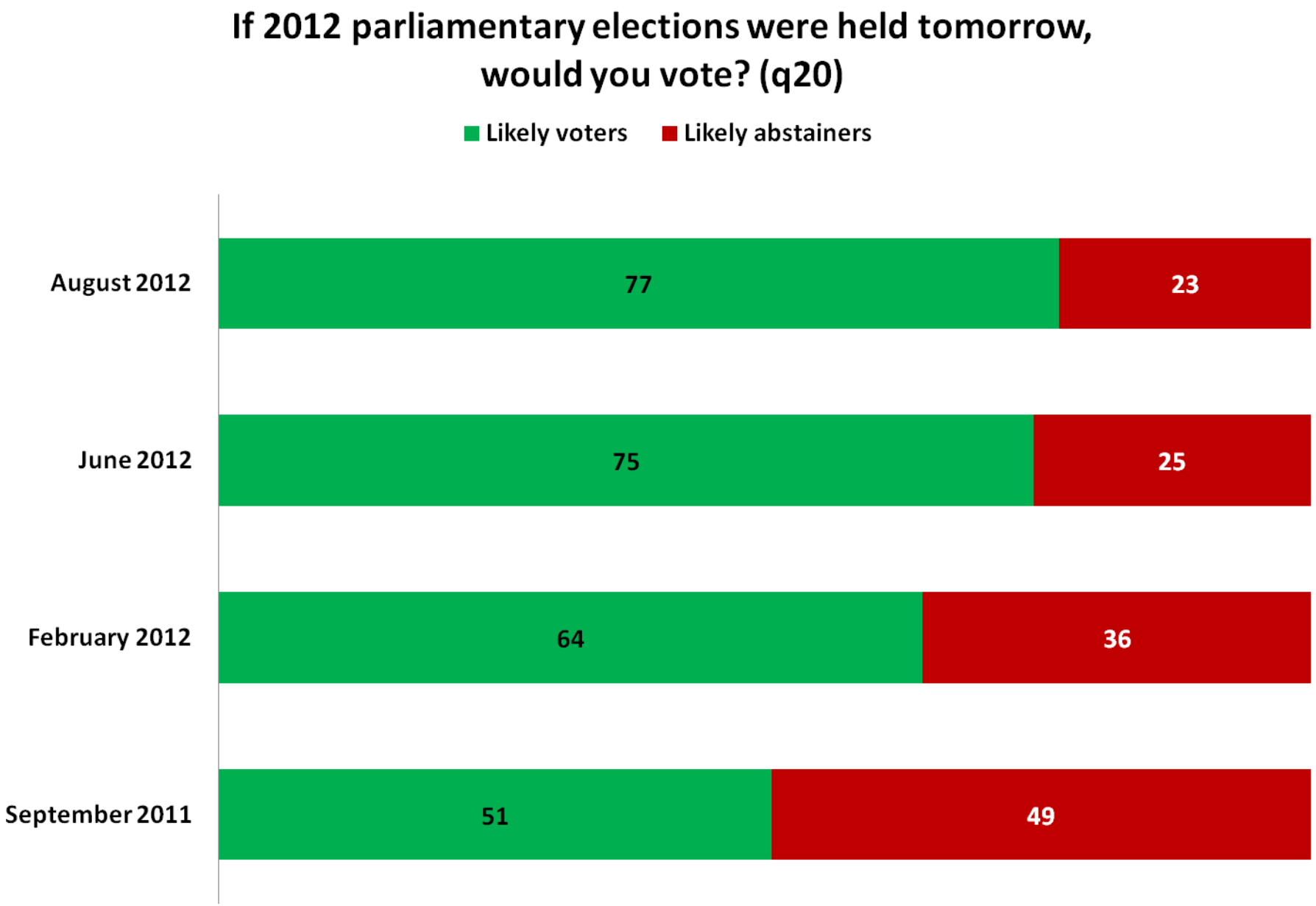
Apart from special occasions such as weddings and funerals, about how often do you attend religious services? (q102 X Future parliamentary vote)



Party Support and Future Elections

If presidential elections were held tomorrow, would you vote? (q23)




If 2012 parliamentary elections were held tomorrow, would you vote? (q20)
Likely voters
Likely abstainers
August 2012
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June 2012
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February 2012
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September 2011
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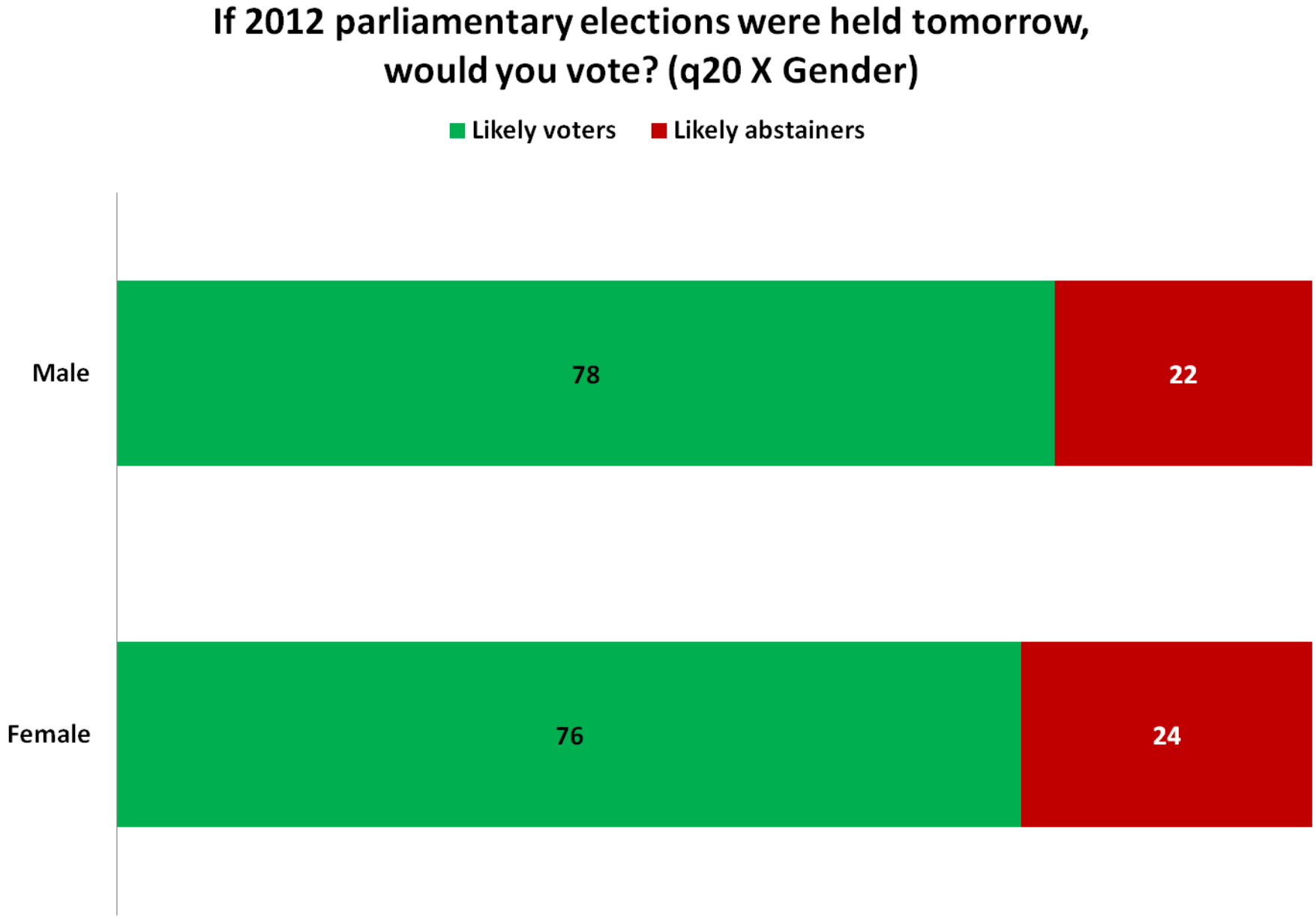
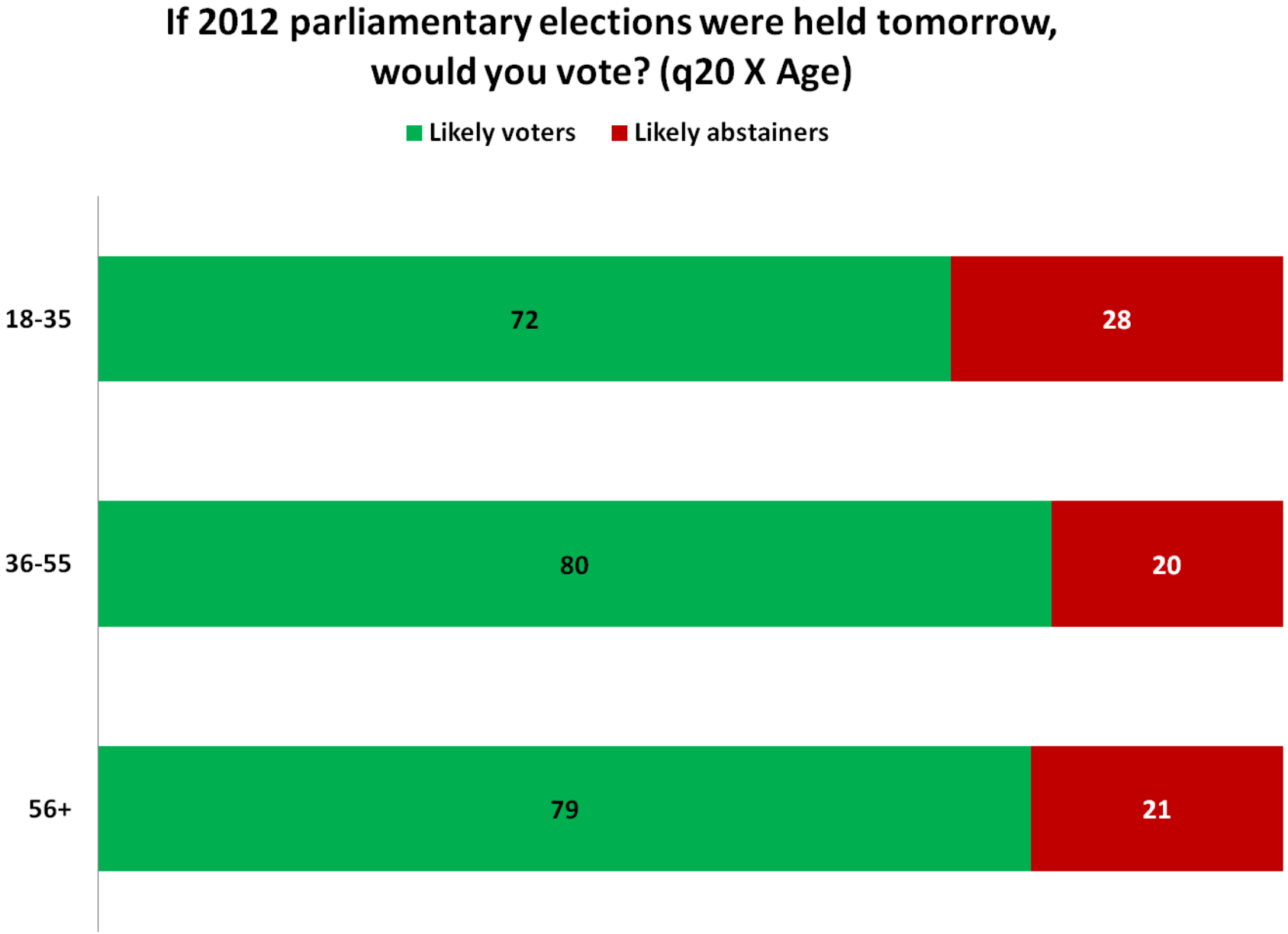

If 2012 parliamentary elections were held tomorrow, would you vote? (q20 X Gender)
Likely voters
Likely abstainers
Male
78
22
Female
76
24


If 2012 parliamentary elections were held tomorrow, would you vote? (q20 X Age)
Likely voters
Likely abstainers
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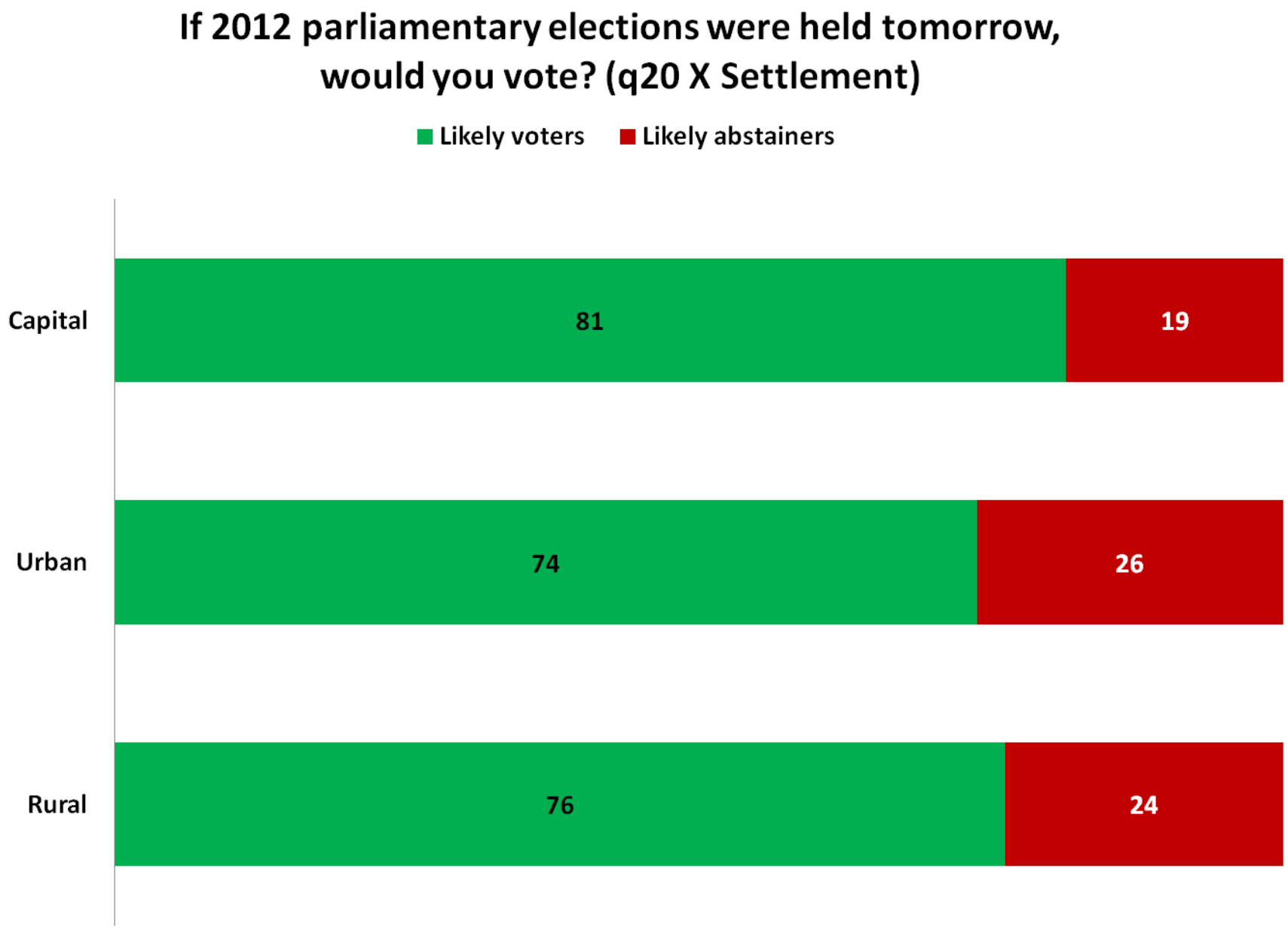
If 2012 parliamentary elections were held tomorrow, would you vote? (q20 X Settlement)
Likely voters
Likely abstainers
Capital
81
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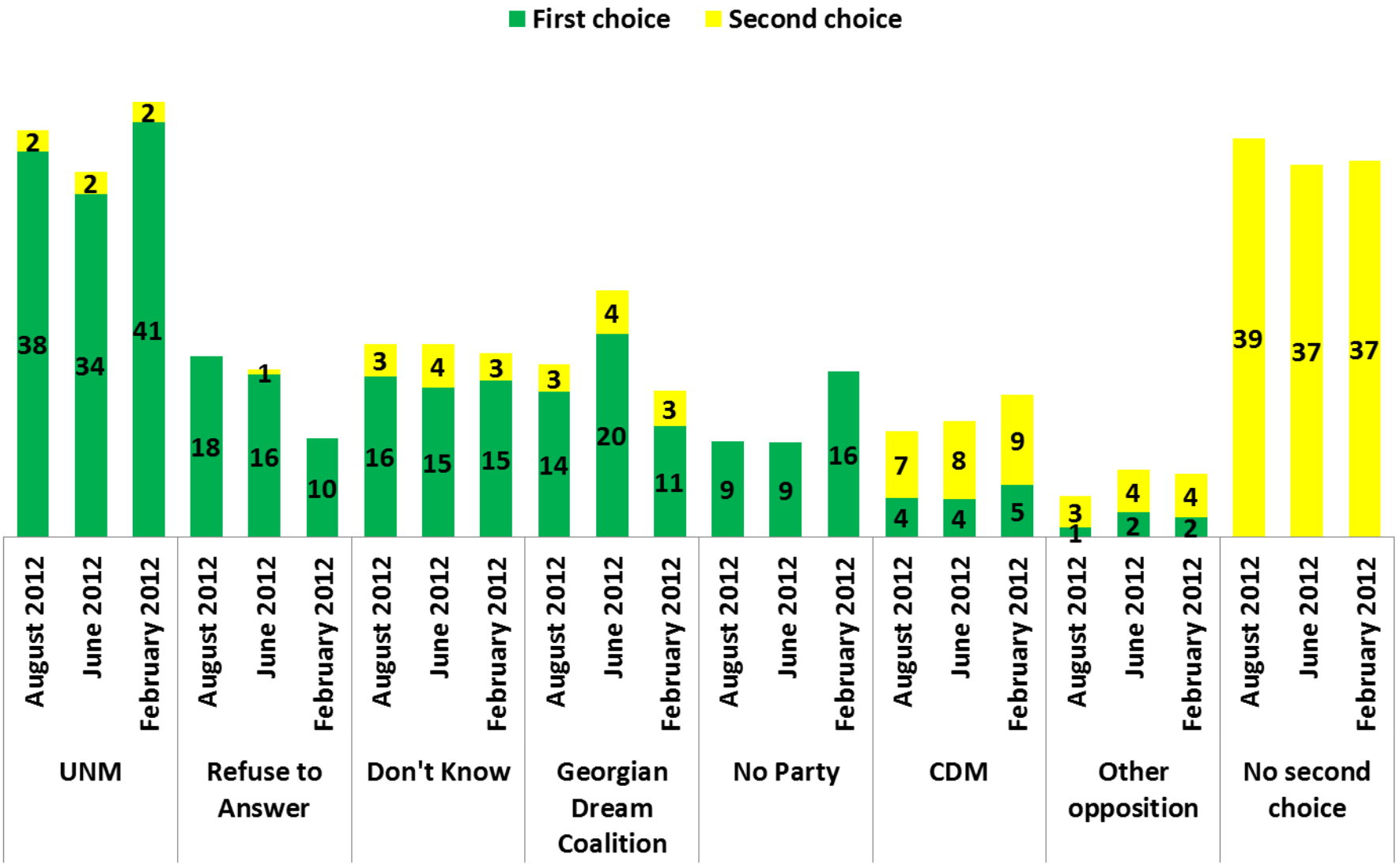
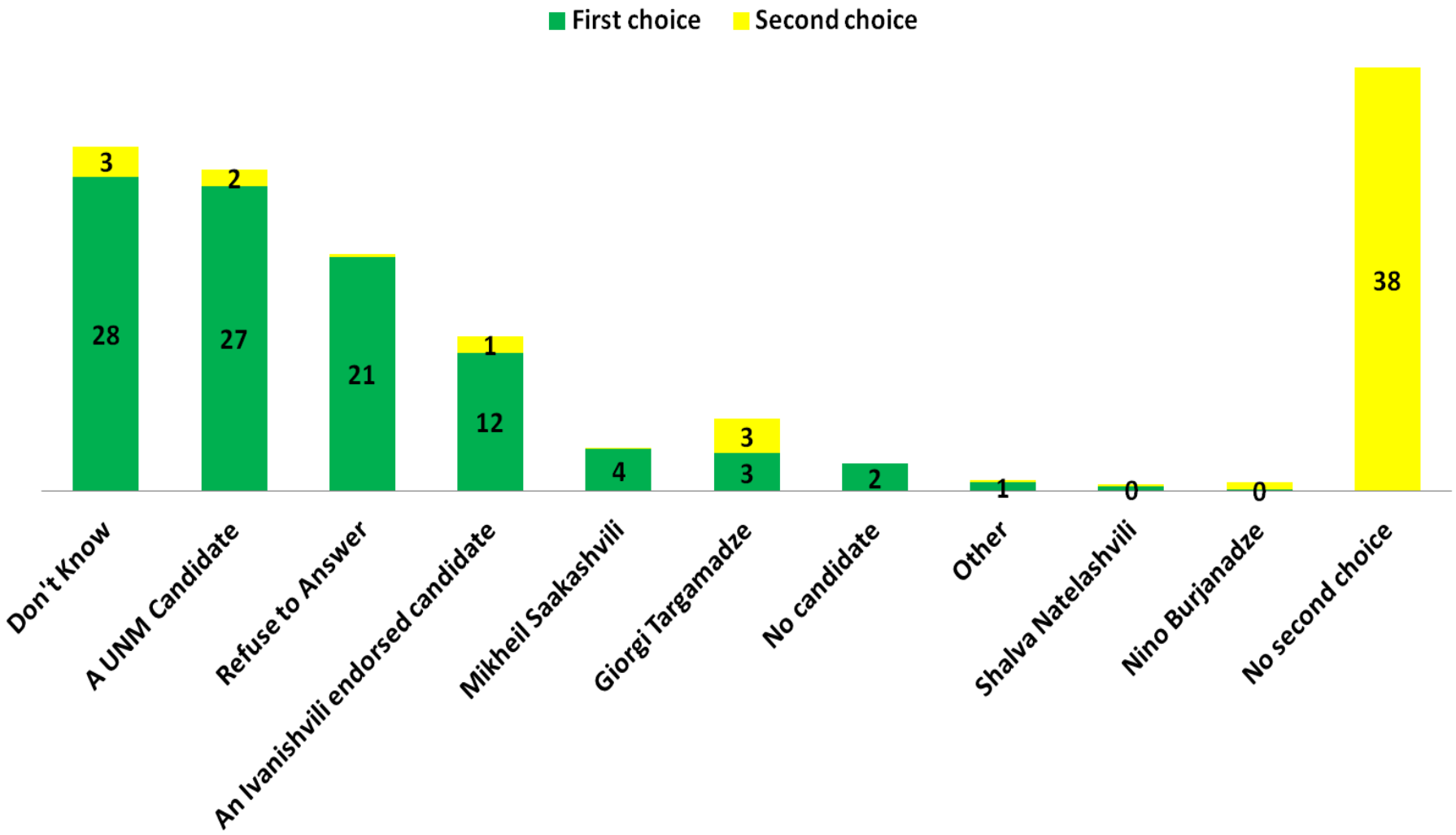
Urban
74
26
Rural
76
24

Which party is closest to you? (q34)



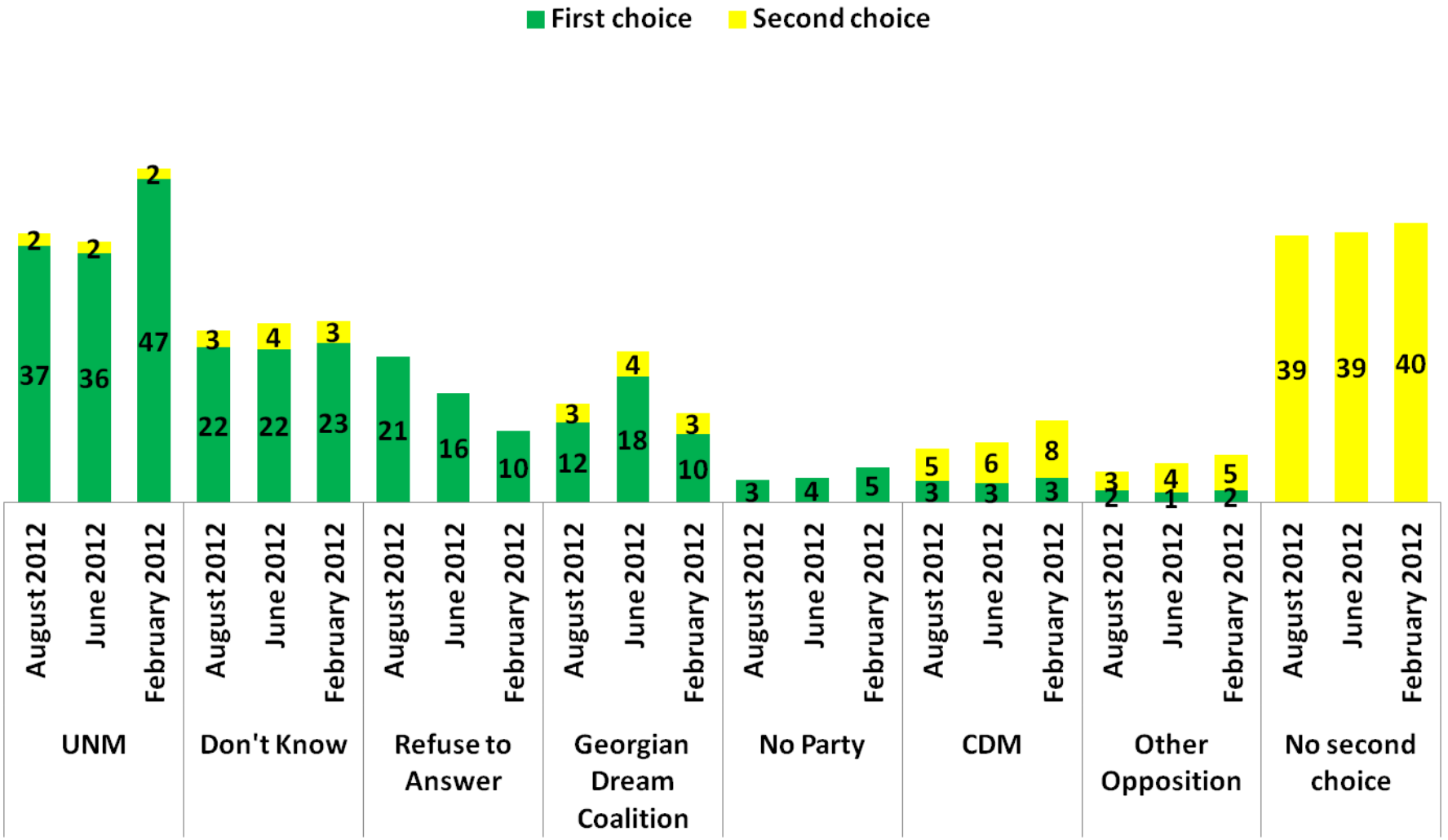
Other opposition includes the cumulative totals of: the Labour Party, Democratic Movement - United Georgia, New Rights, Georgian Group, Free Georgia, National Democratic Party, Movement for Fair Georgia, The Whites, European Democrats and the Democratic Party of Georgia

Which of the following people would you most like to see as the next president of Georgia? Likely voters only (q24)



Other indicates that a name was mentioned that is not part of the above list

Whom you would vote for if parliamentary elections were held tomorrow? Likely voters only (q21)



Other opposition includes the cumulative totals of: the Labour Party, Democratic Movement - United Georgia, New Rights, Georgian Group, Free Georgia, National Democratic Party, Movement for Fair Georgia, The Whites, European Democrats and the Democratic Party of Georgia