

WORLD REFUGEE DAY

Attitudes towards refugees | Spain

June 2019



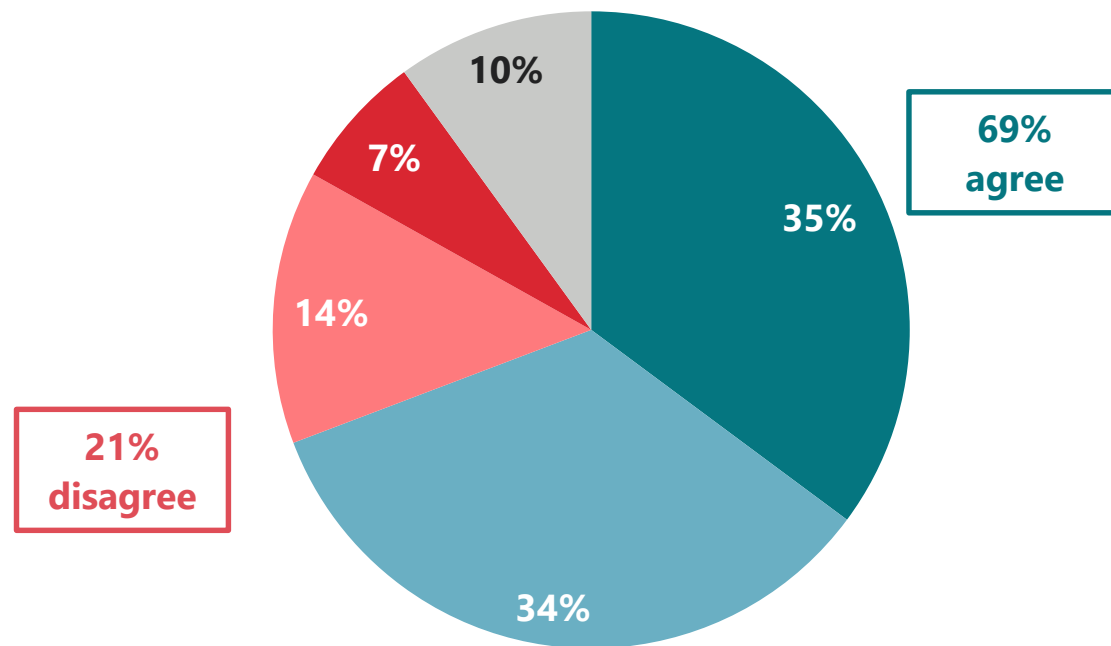
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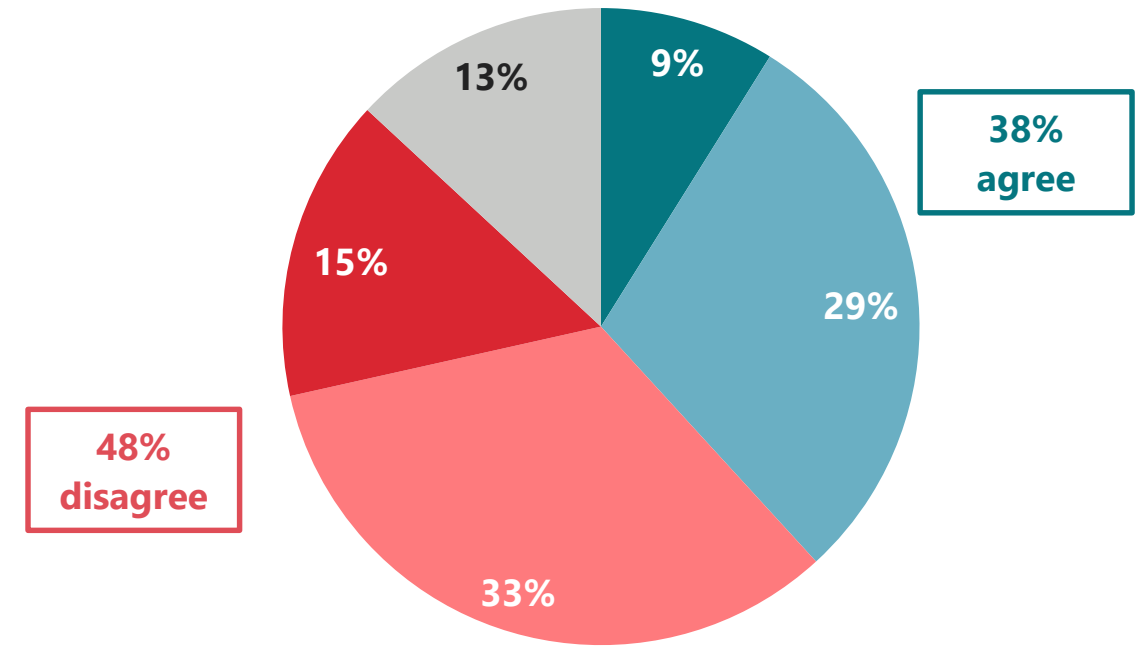
The majority agrees that people should have the right to take refuge in other countries while three in ten think they will successfully integrate

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Most refugees who come to Spain will successfully integrate into their new society

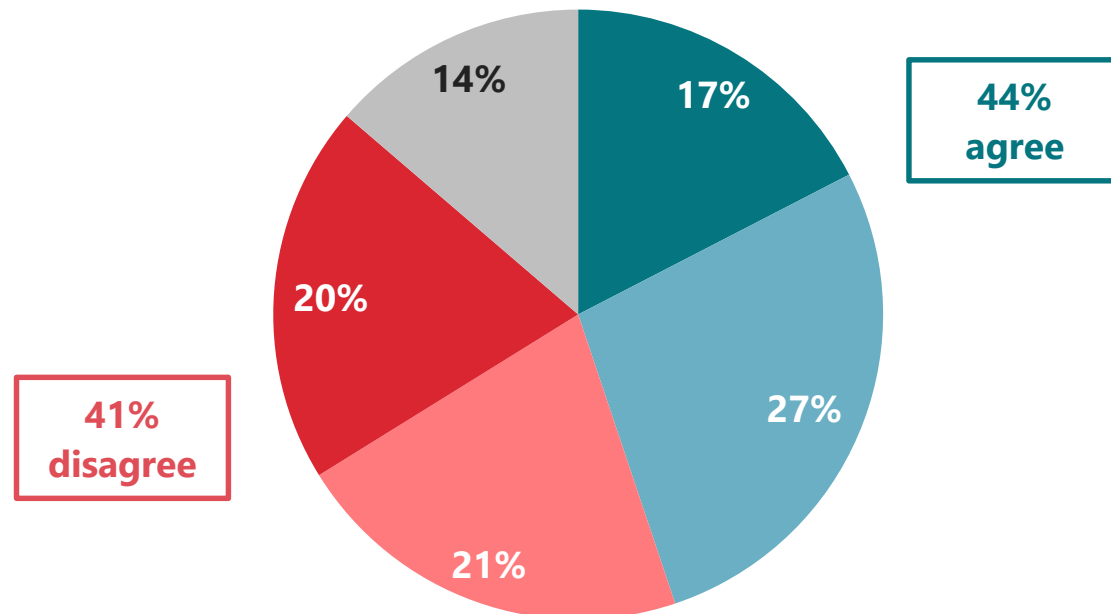


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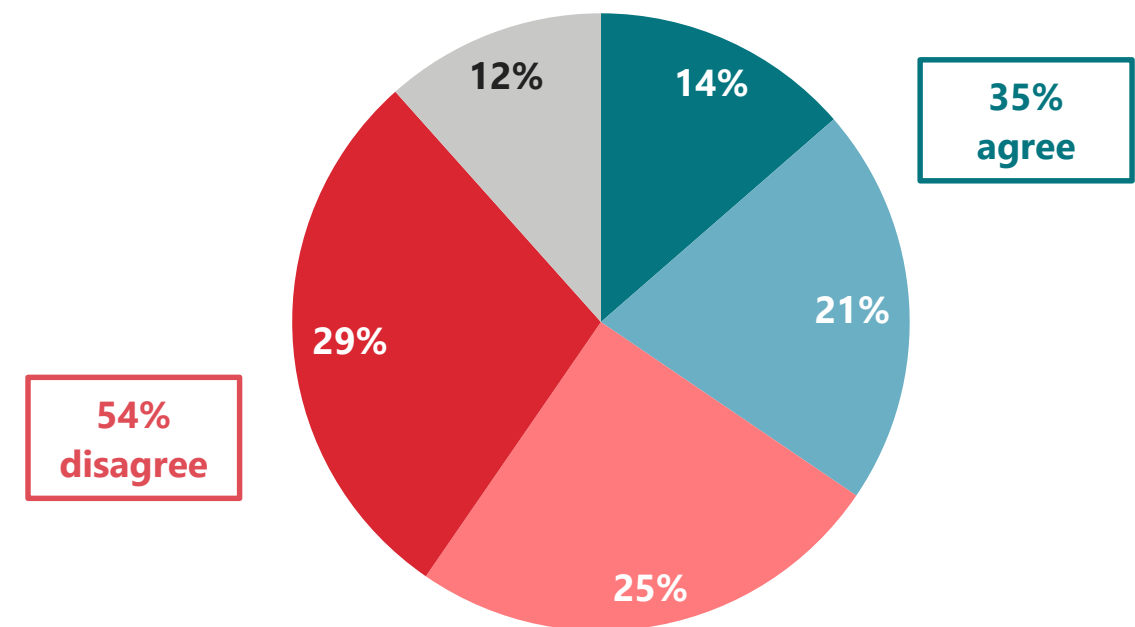
Almost half are not convinced that refugees that come to their country are genuine and three in ten believe their borders should be closed entirely to refugees

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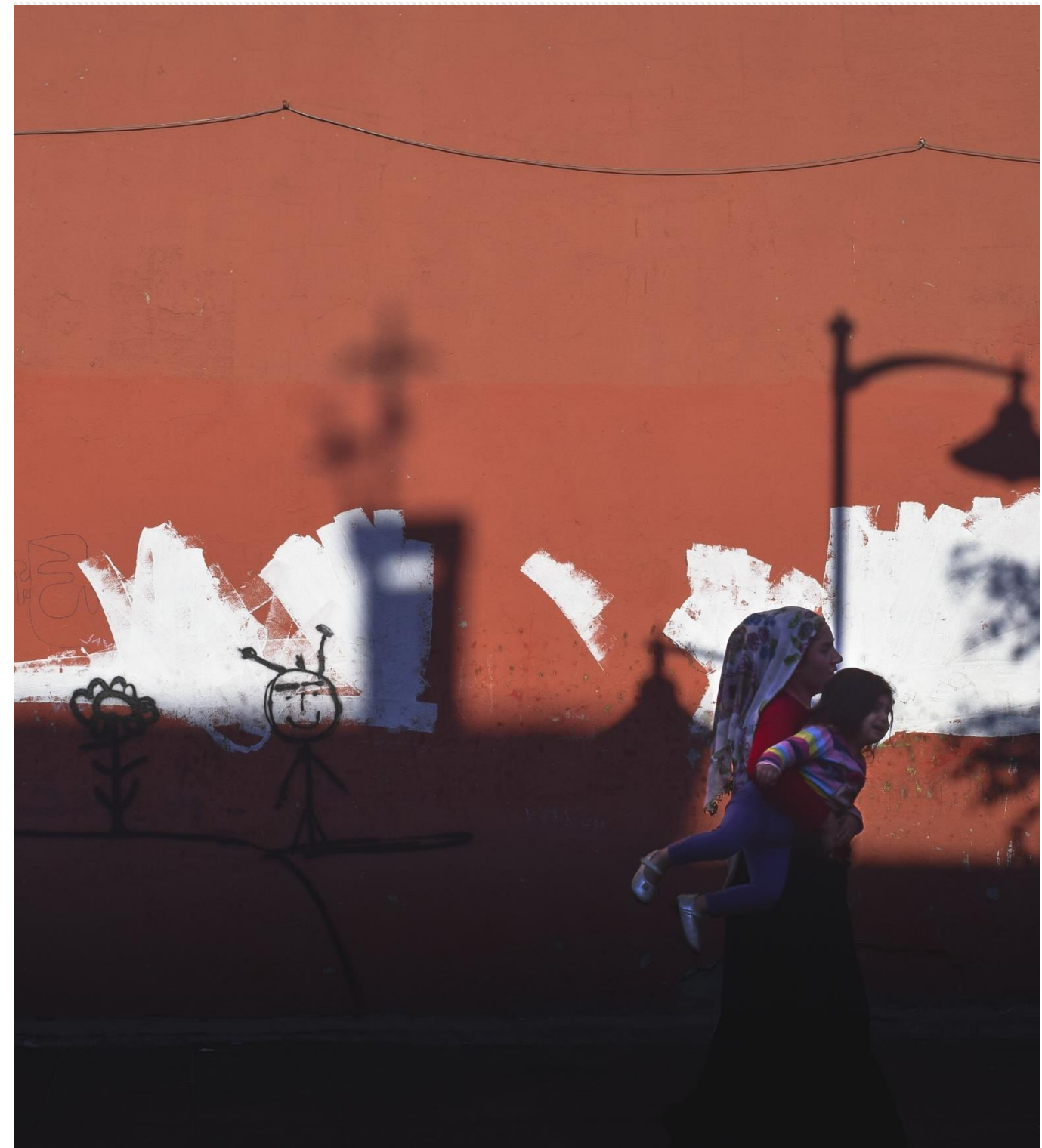
In Detail

Breakdown by sociodemographics

Gender, Age and Employment Status



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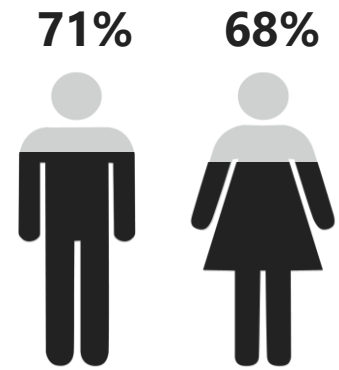


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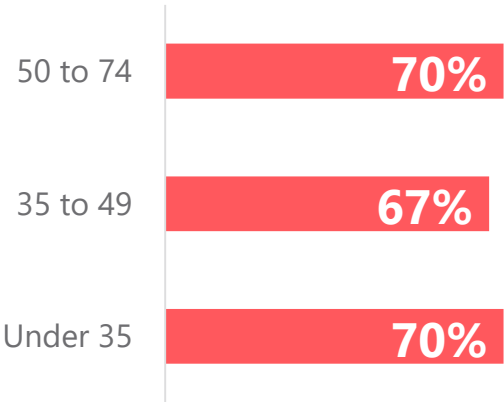
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Most people agree with this aspect, especially those who are unemployed and the ones with a high education level.

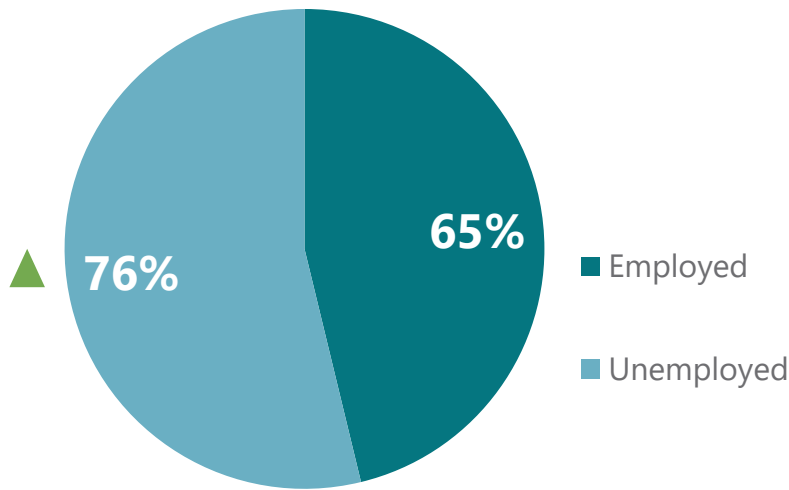
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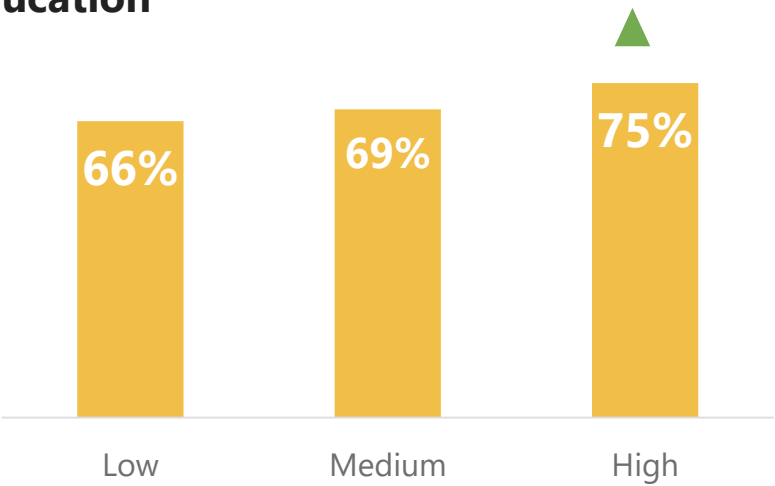
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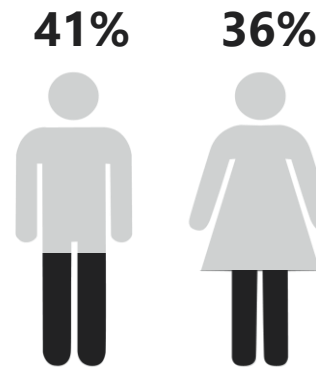
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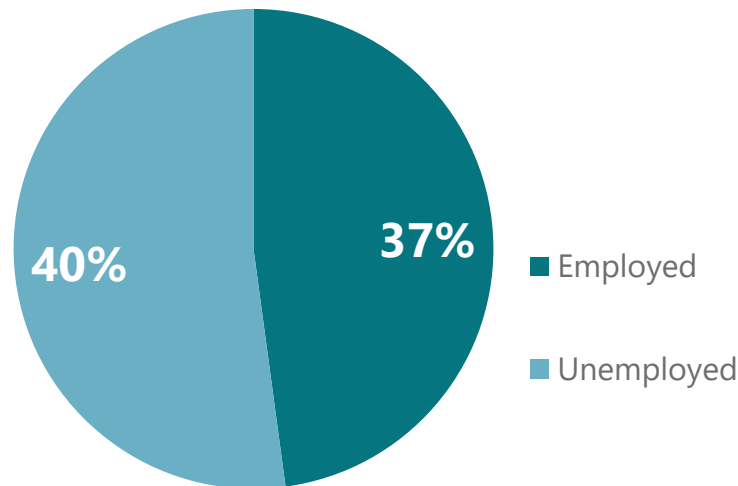
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Millennials are more hopeful, thinking that the refugees will integrate amongst Spaniards more than the rest of the age groups.

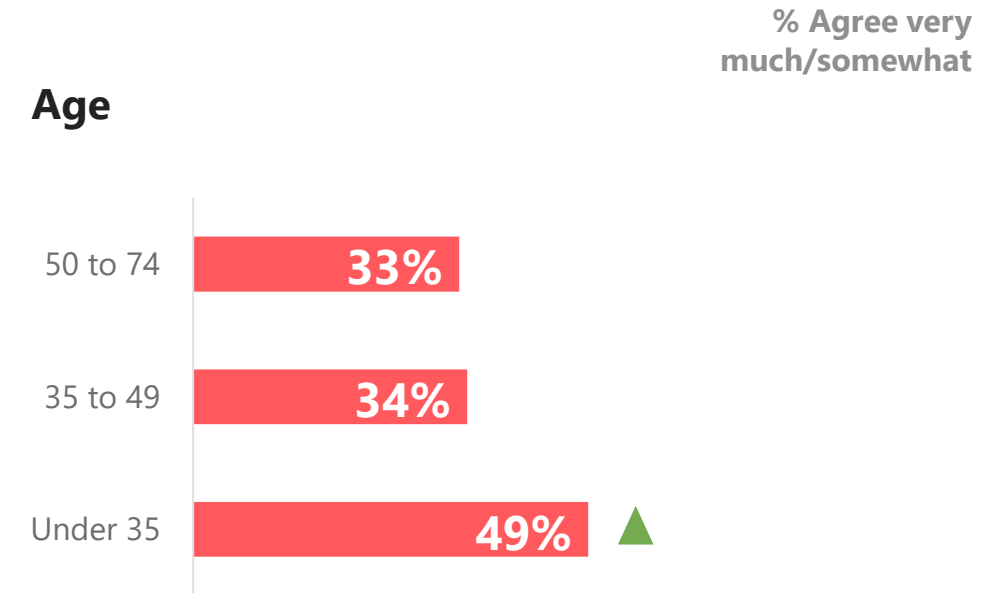
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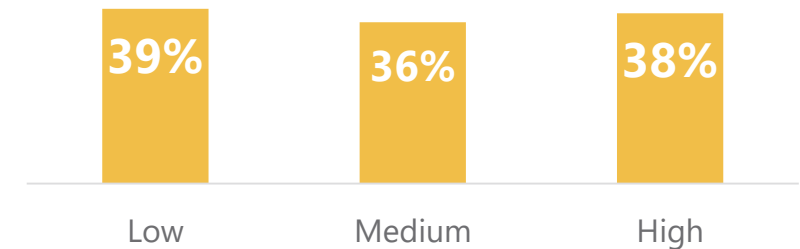
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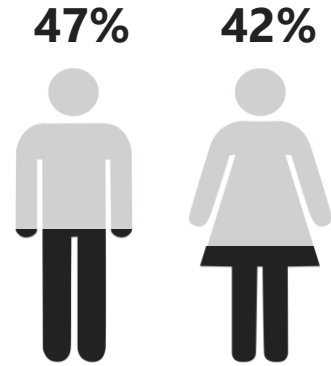
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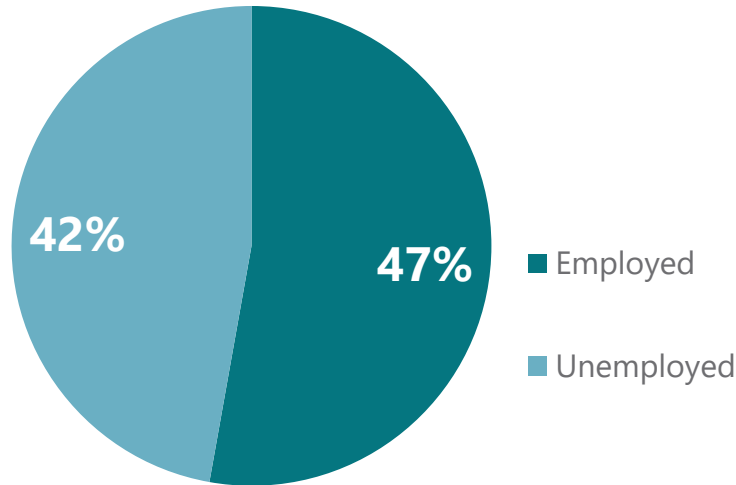
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People with medium education level show more concern about refugees actions regarding economy and social services.

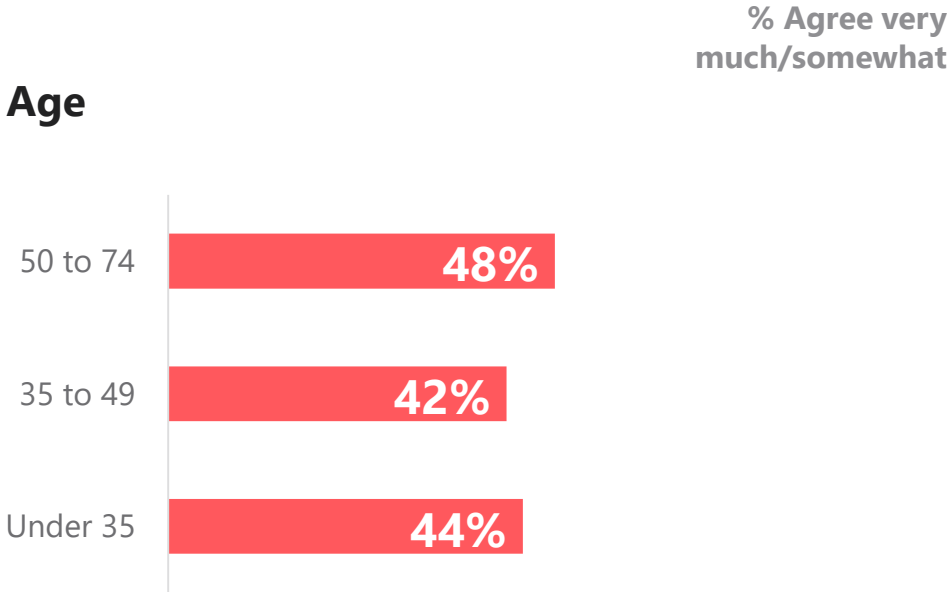
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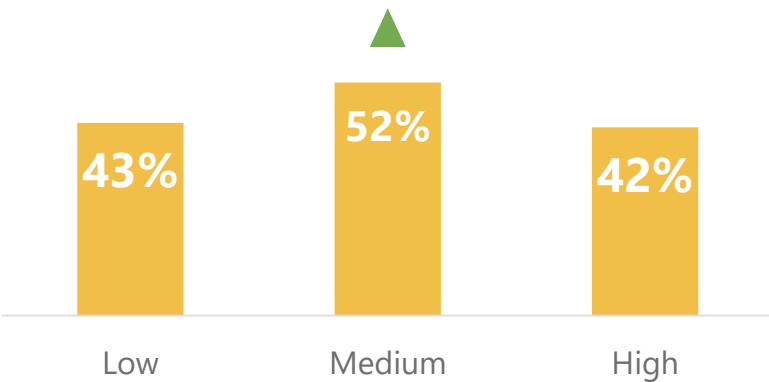
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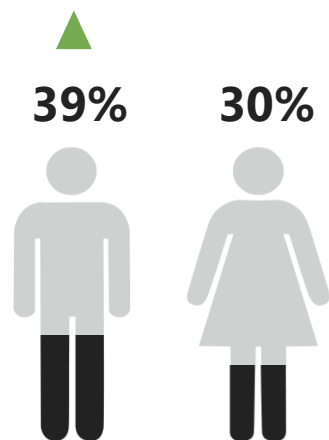
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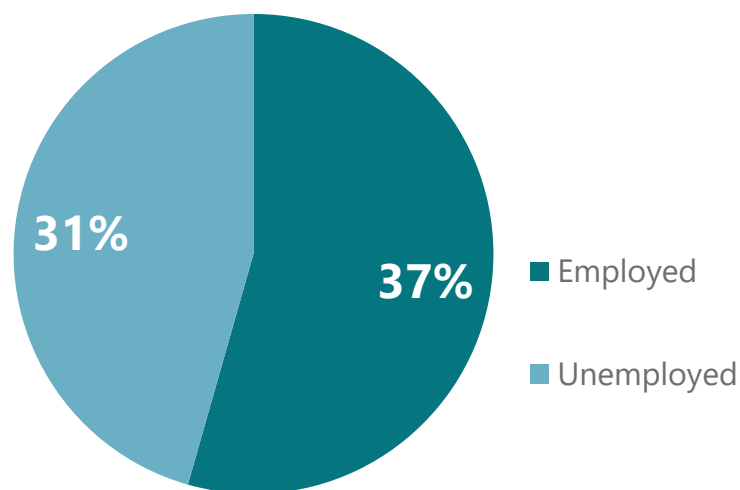
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Men agree significantly more in comparison to women when it comes to tightening Spain's border control.

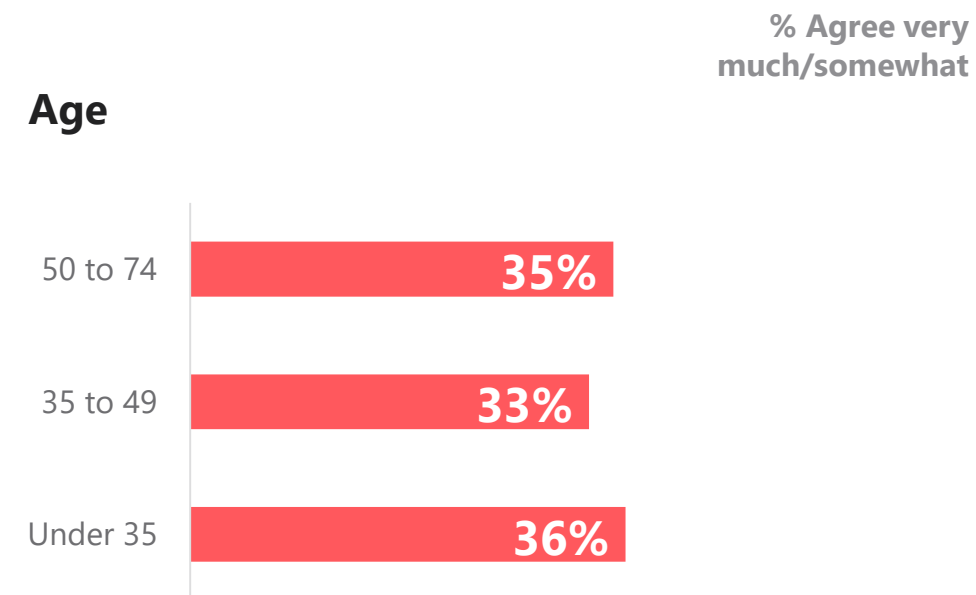
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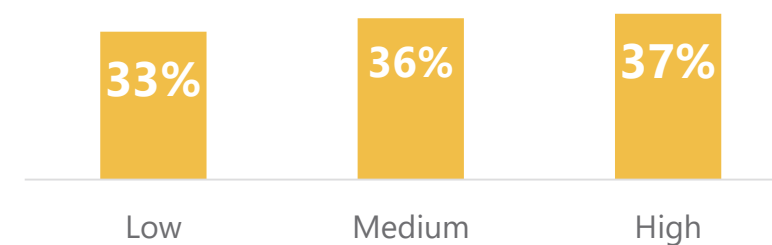
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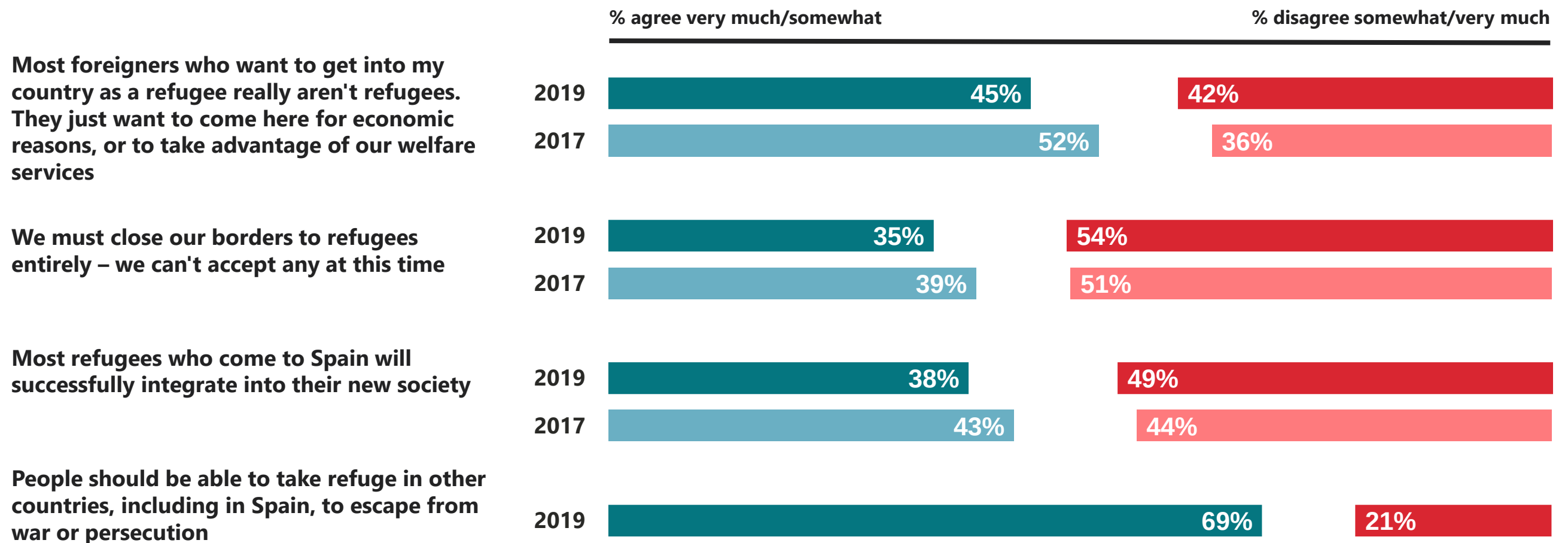


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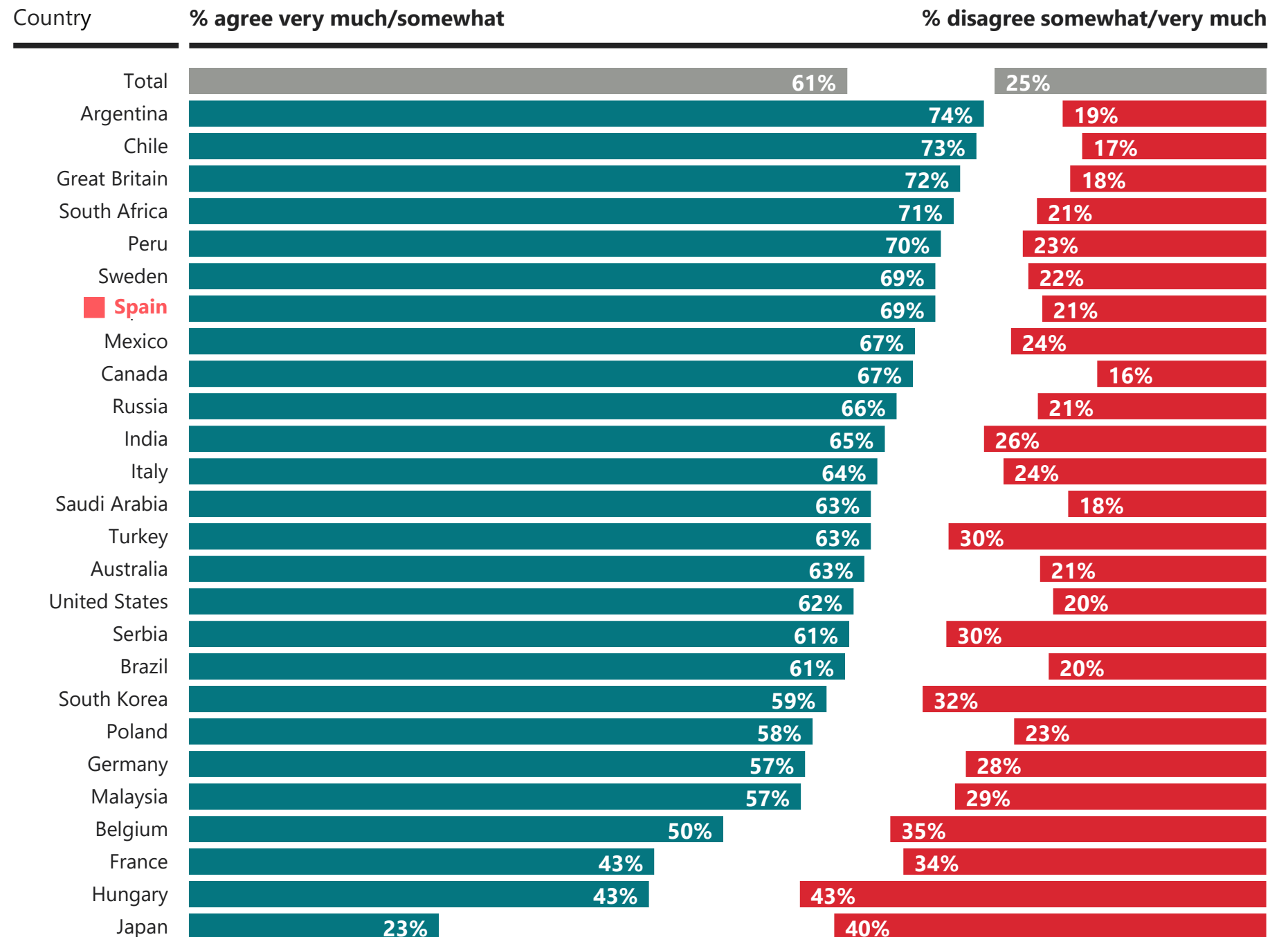
While the principle of people seeking refuge is widely supported, concerns about refugees remain and attitudes since 2017 gain strength

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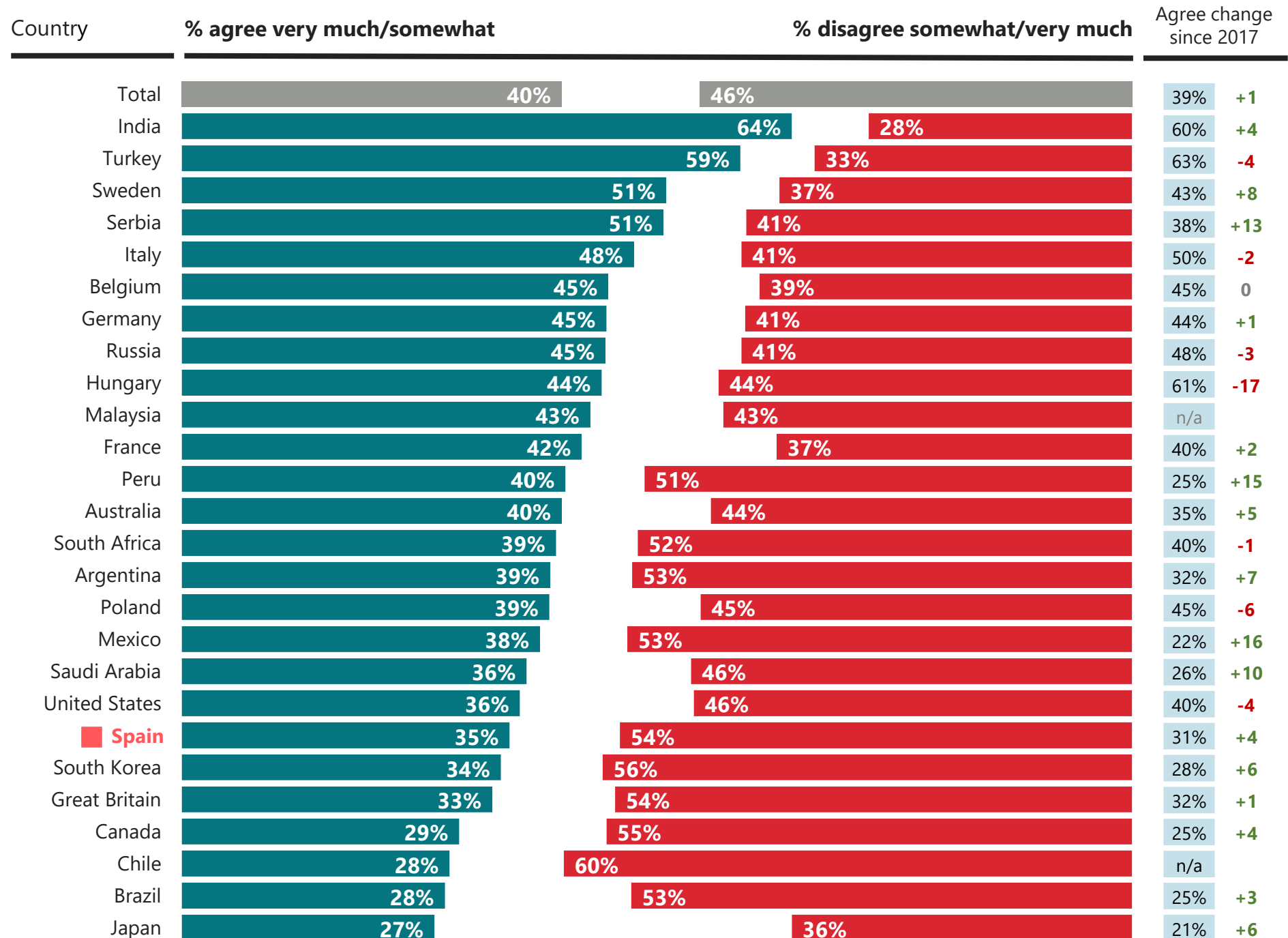
Respondents in Argentina, Chile, Great Britain are more likely to agree that people have the right to seek refuge – whereas levels of agreement much lower in Japan as well as many European countries – Hungary, France and Belgium



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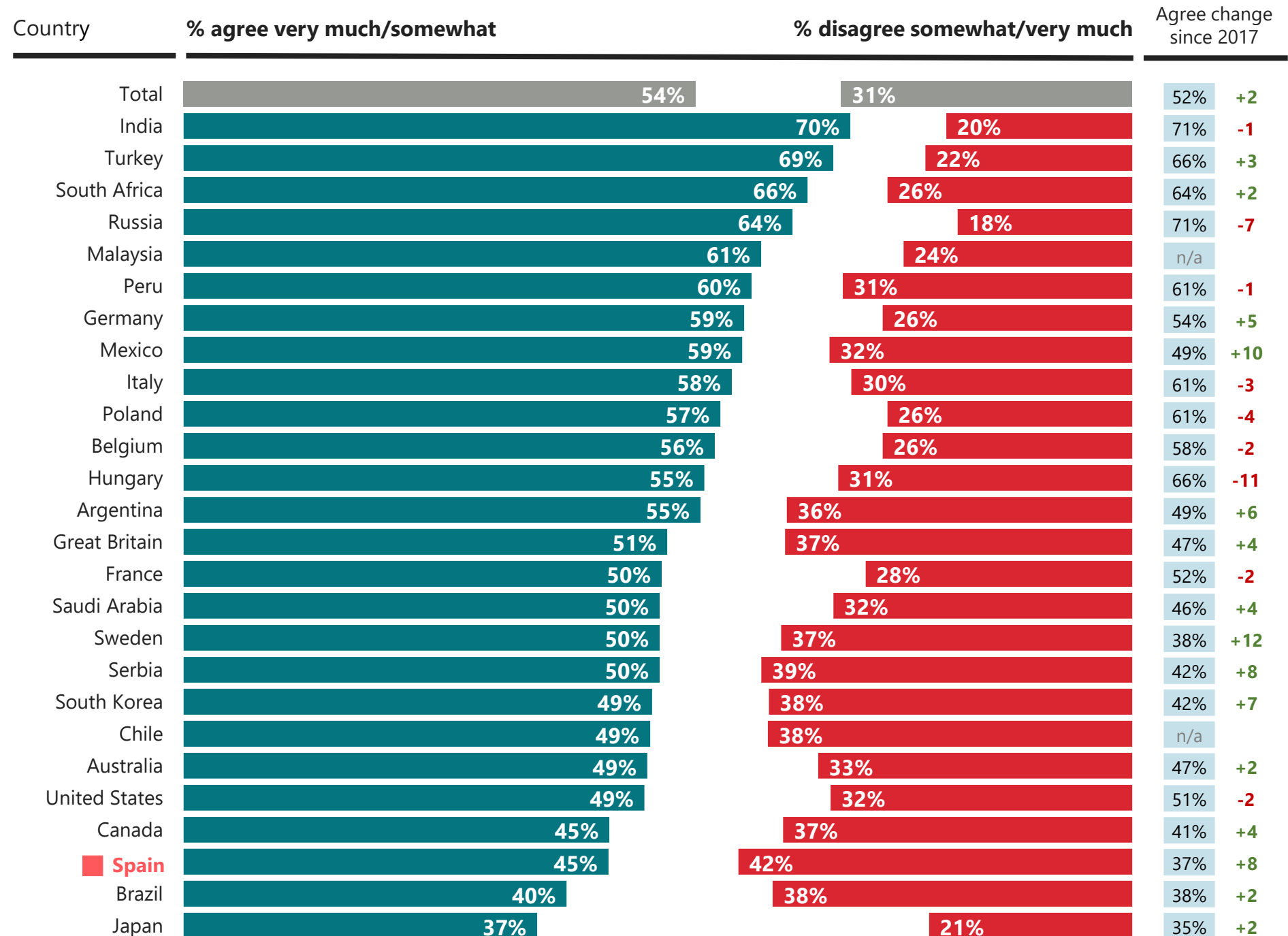
Globally, people are split on whether their country can accept any refugees at this time. Those most likely to want to close borders are in India, Turkey and Sweden



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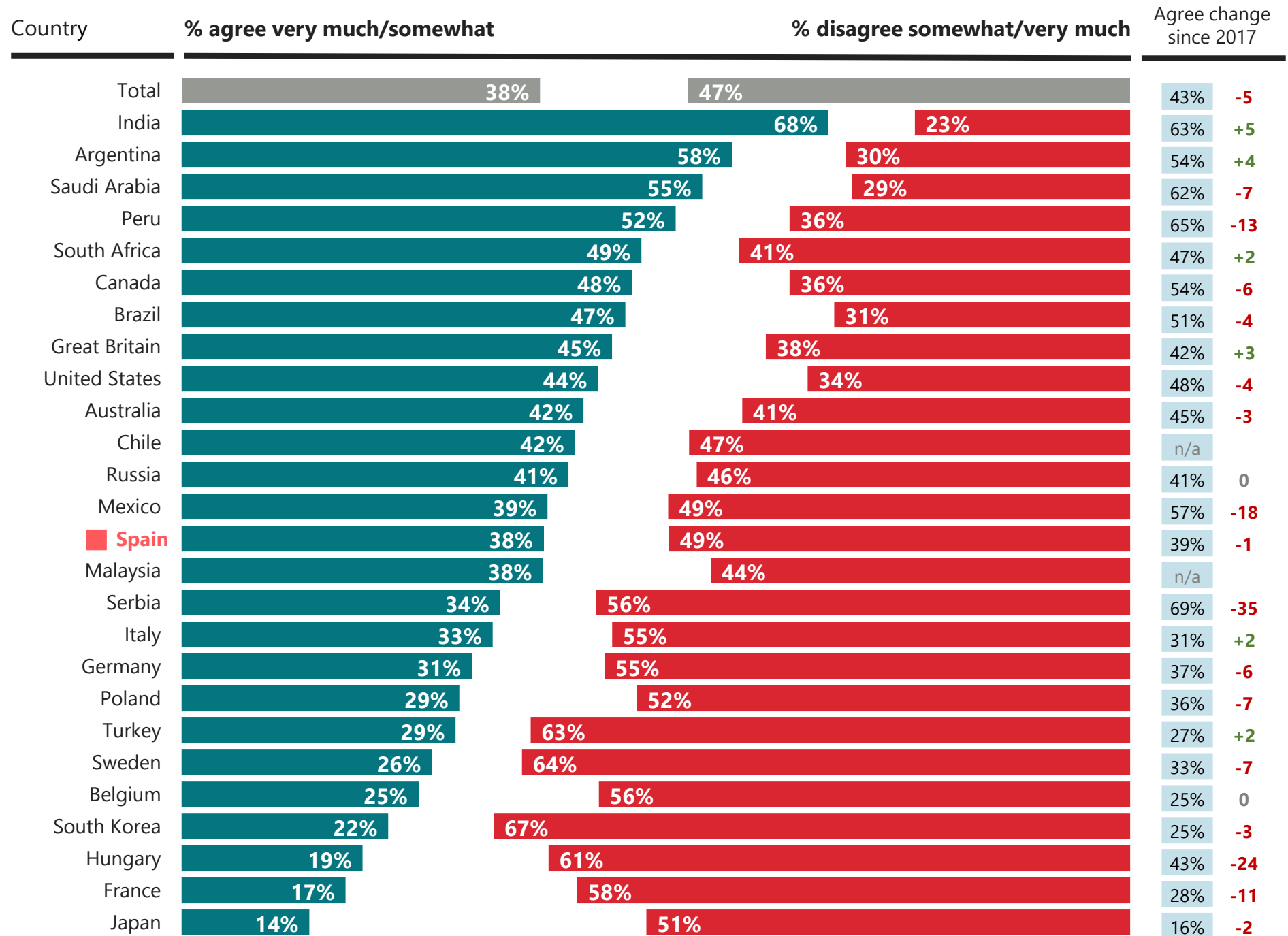
Globally, half are not convinced that refugees coming to their country are genuine and those most sceptical are in India, Turkey and South Africa



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Q. Thinking about your country, do you agree or disagree with the following statements? Most refugees who come to [COUNTRY] will successfully integrate into their new society

Two in five think that most refugees coming to their country will successfully integrate – and people are less convinced than two years ago. Those most optimistic are in India, Argentina and Saudi Arabia



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- This survey is an international sample of 18,027, adults aged 18-64 in the US, South Africa, Turkey and Canada, and age 16-64 in all other countries, were interviewed. The Fieldwork was conducted from 19th April – 3rd May 2019. Approximately 1000+ individuals participated on a country by country basis via the Ipsos Online Panel with the exception of Argentina, Belgium, Chile, Hungary, India, Malaysia, Mexico, Peru, Poland, Russia, South Africa, South Korea, Serbia, Sweden and Turkey, where each have a sample approximately 500+.
- 15 of the 26 countries surveyed online generate nationally representative samples in their countries (Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Canada, France, Germany, Great Britain, Hungary, Italy, Japan, Poland, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, and United States).

Brazil, China, Chile, Malaysia, Mexico, Peru, Russia, Serbia, South Africa and Turkey produce a national sample that is more urban & educated, and with higher incomes than their fellow citizens. We refer to these respondents as “Upper Deck Consumer Citizens”. They are not nationally representative of their country.

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