

Attitudes towards child refugees

Survey conducted on behalf of IMiX

Fieldwork March-April 2020



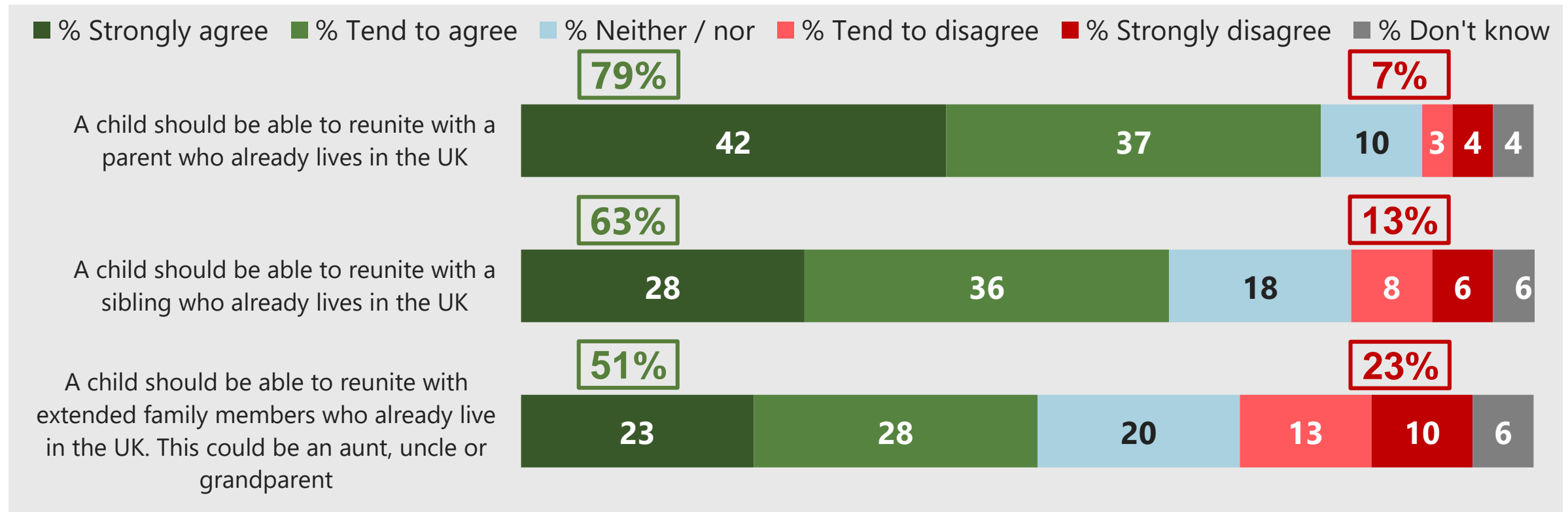
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A majority agree that children should be reunited with parents and siblings living in the UK –support falls to half for extended family members

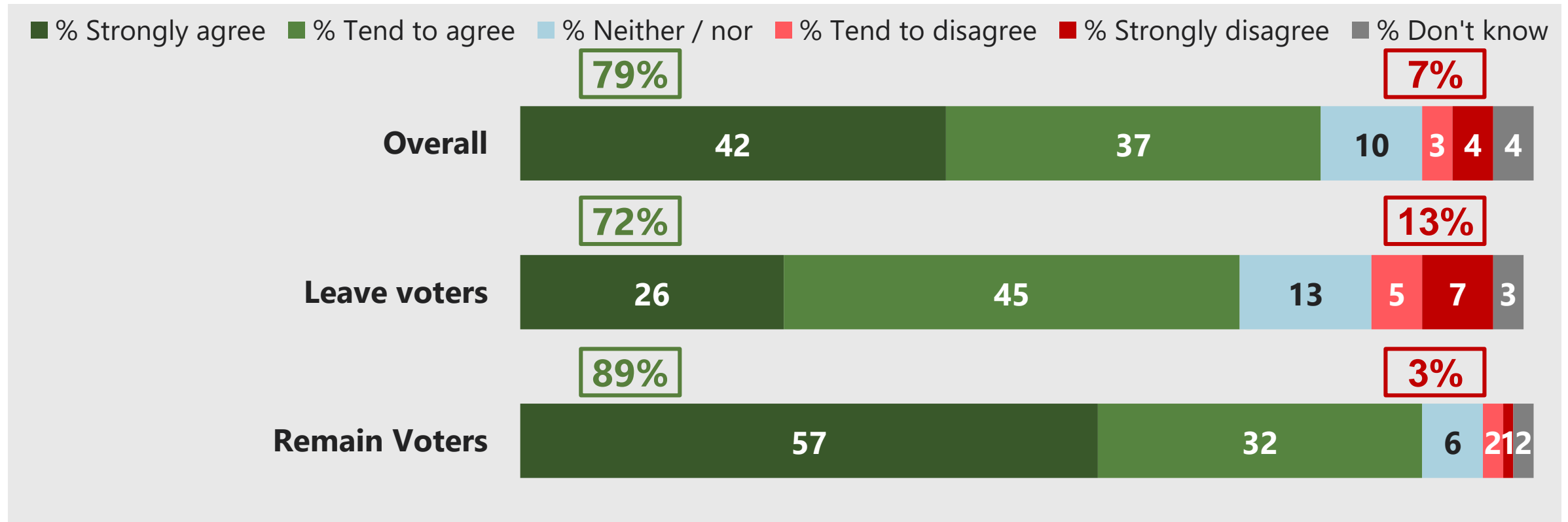
Q Currently children of an asylum-seeking or refugee background who are travelling alone through Europe have the right to be reunited with a parent if their parent legally lives in the UK. And how strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statements?



Base: All respondents (W8: 2520; W9: 2006; W10: 2100); Fieldwork dates: 12 March – 3 April 2020

Nine in ten Remain voters agree that children should be reunited with parents living in the UK. A majority of Leave voters also agree but they are more likely to disagree

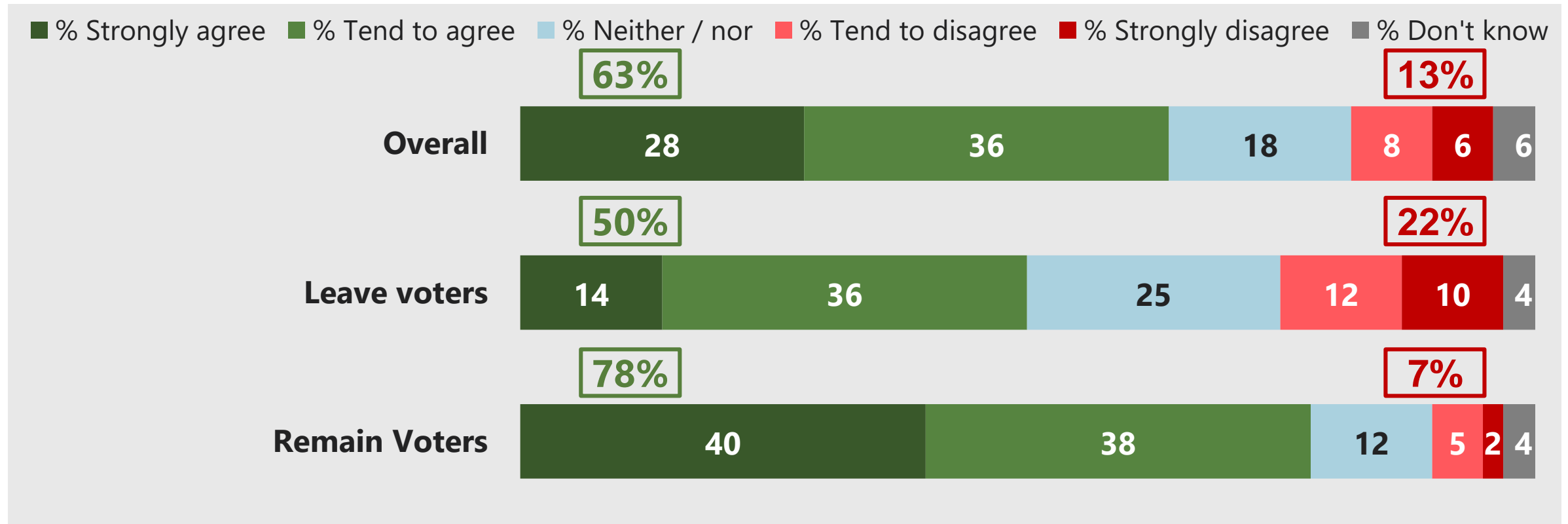
Q And how strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statements? A child should be able to reunite with a parent who already lives in the UK



Base: All respondents W10: 2100, Remain voters: 949, Leave Voters: 928.

Half of Leave voters agree that children should be reunited with siblings living in the UK, however one in five disagree. Three-quarters of Remain voters agree- two in five strongly.

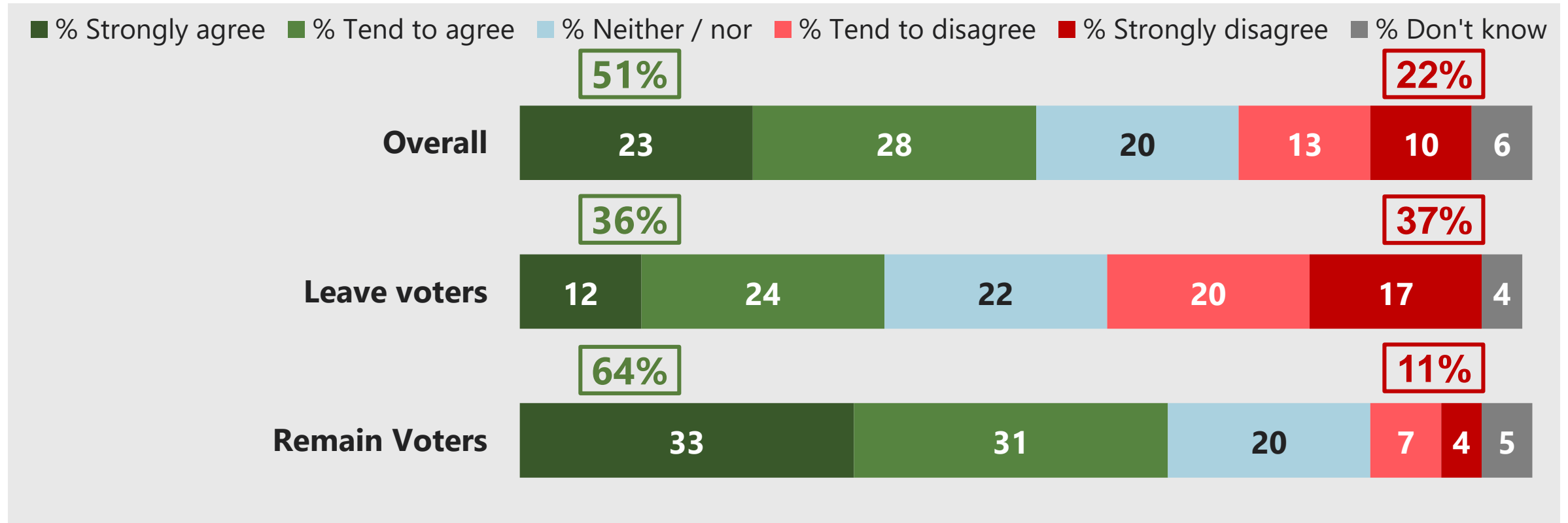
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Leave voters are split on children reuniting with extended family members with around a third in agreement and the same in disagreement. A majority of Remain voters support this

Q And how strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statements? A child should be able to reunite with extended family members who already live in the UK. This could be an aunt, uncle or grandparent



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Technical note

- Ipsos MORI interviewed 2,100 adults aged 18+ across Great Britain online. Data are weighted to reflect the population profile.
- Fieldwork dates were 12 March – 3rd April 2020
- The survey was conducted on behalf of IMIX, the migration communications hub with funding from Unbound Philanthropy and the Barrow Cadbury Trust. .
- Percentage scores are shown out of 100%. Where figures do not add up to 100%, this is due to computer rounding. An asterisks indicates a score less than 0.5%, but greater than zero. Combined figures are based on the constituent parts (e.g. % agree = % strongly agree + % tend to agree). These figures are also subject to the effect of rounding.

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