

Future of the Union

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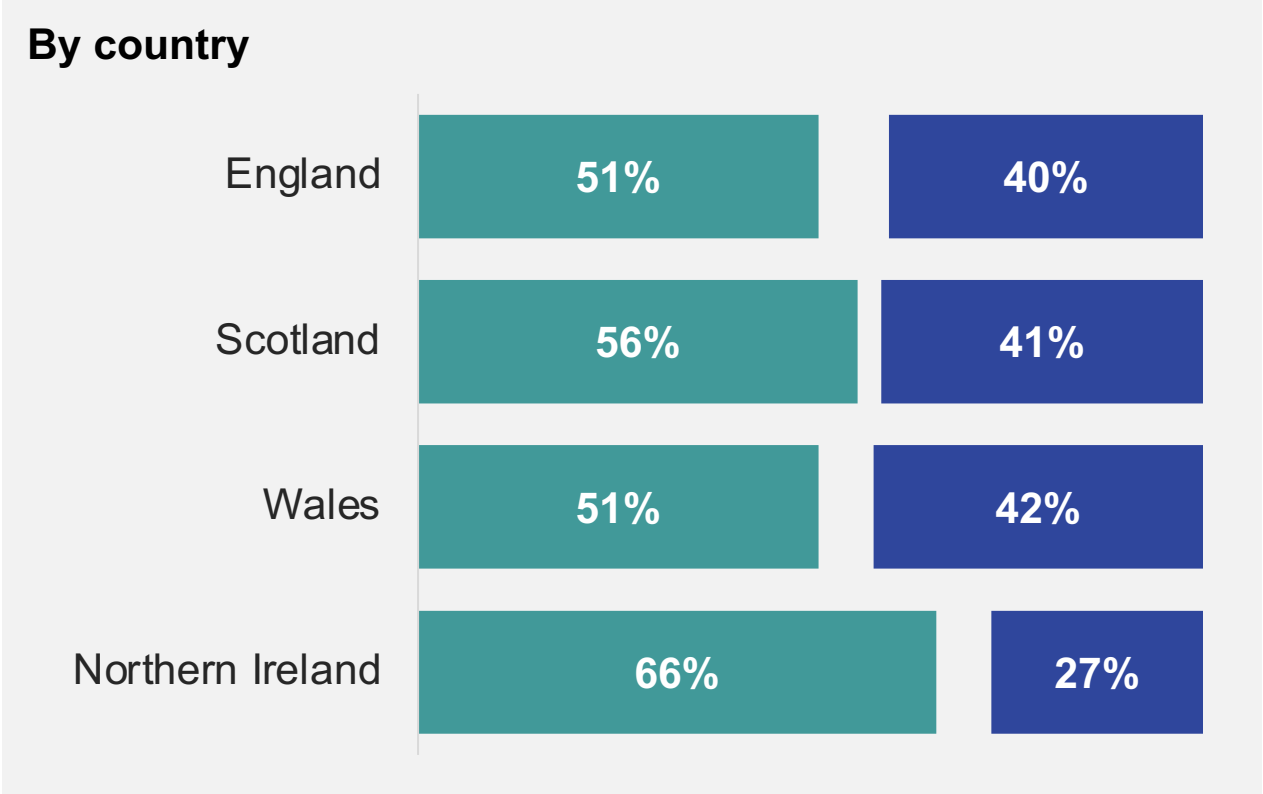
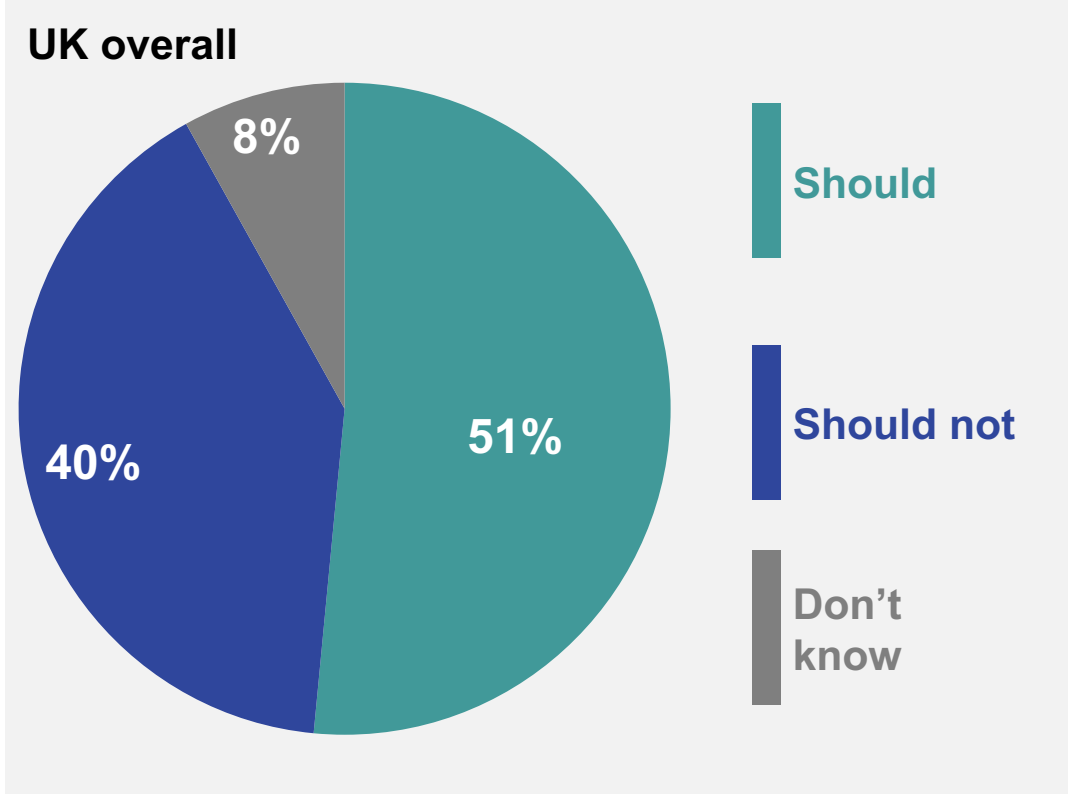
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Views on a second independence referendum

If the Scottish National Party wins a majority of seats in the 2021 Scottish Parliament elections, do you think the UK Government should or should not allow them to hold another independence referendum within the next five years?

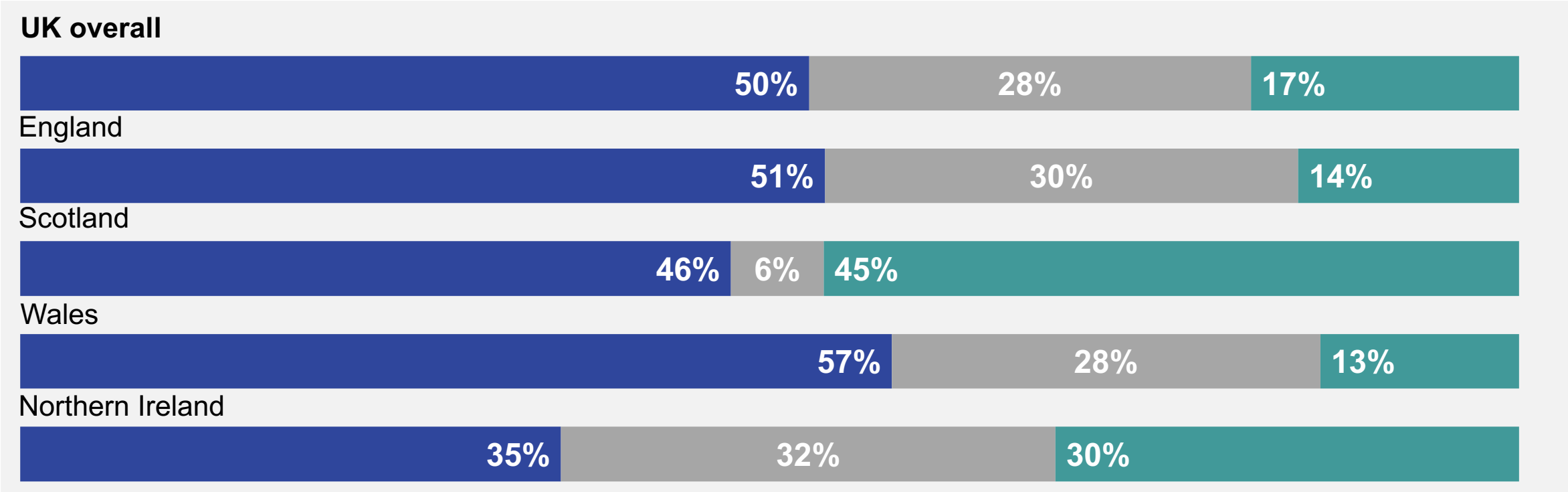


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Preferences on Scottish independence

If a referendum were held in Scotland on its constitutional future, would you personally prefer Scotland to vote for or against leaving the UK and becoming an independent country?

■ Would prefer Scotland to vote against
 ■ Don't mind either way
 ■ Would prefer Scotland to vote for

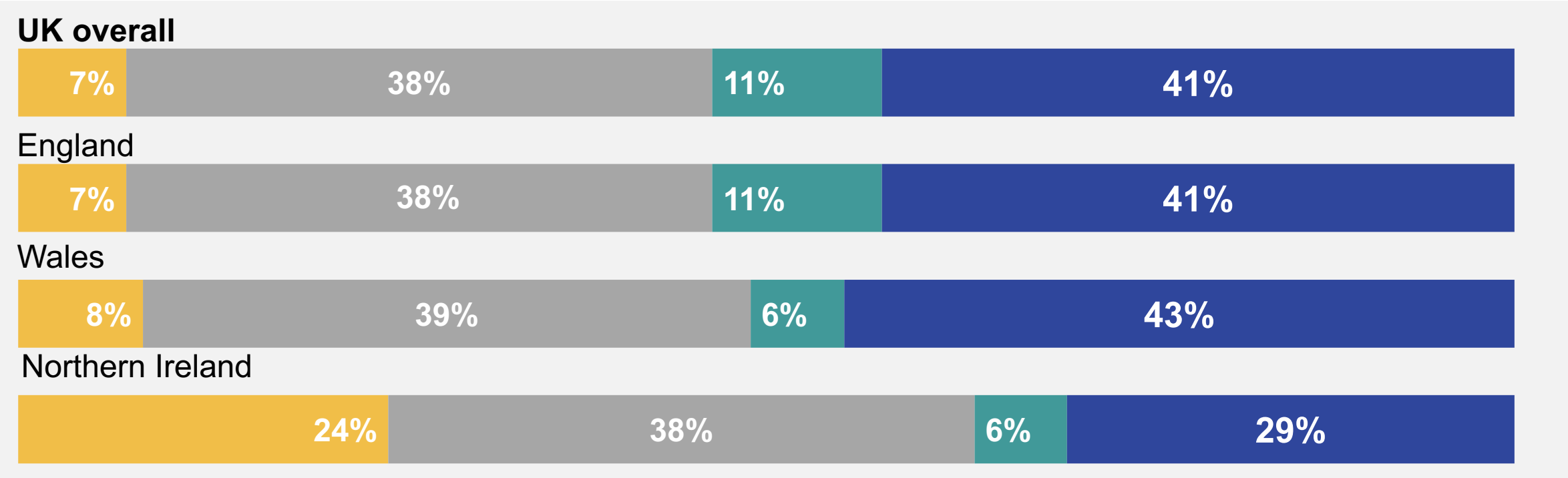


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Feelings towards an independent Scotland

And if Scotland does vote to become independent and leave the UK, would you be mostly happy, mostly sad, or would it make no difference to you?

Mostly happy **Makes no difference** **Both happy and sad** **Mostly sad**



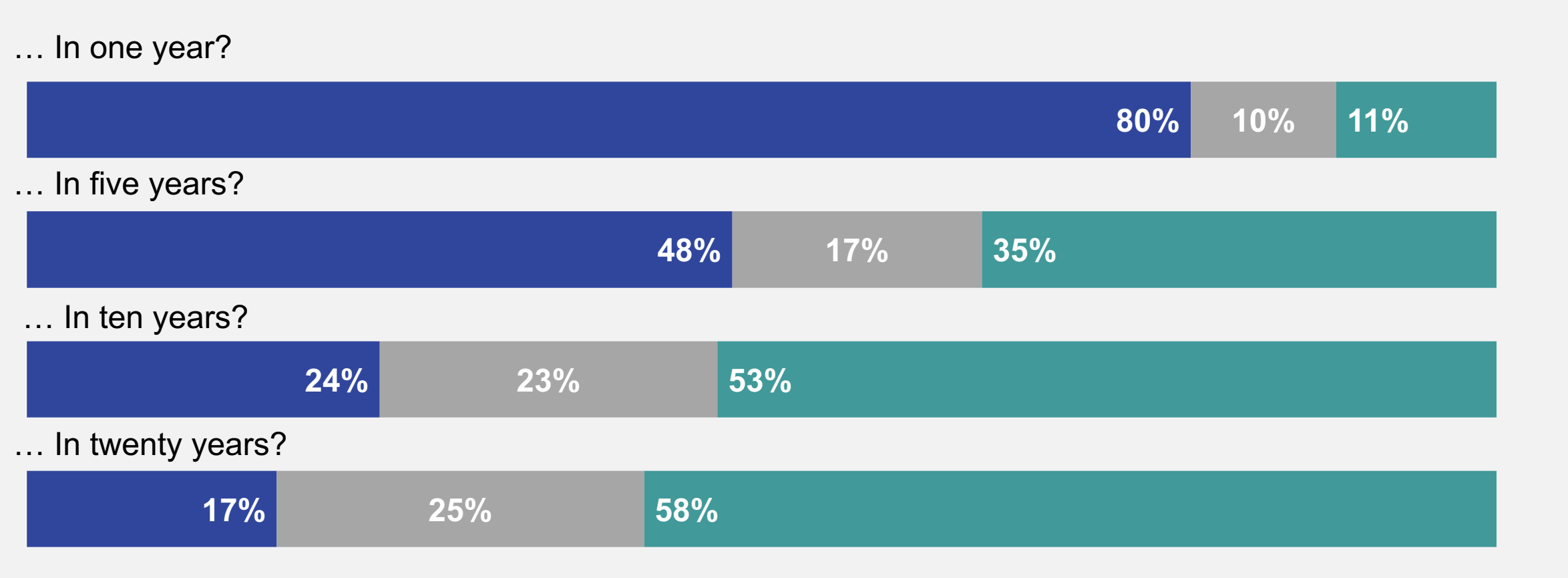
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Do you think the United Kingdom will or will not exist in its current form...

UK overall

Will Don't know Will not

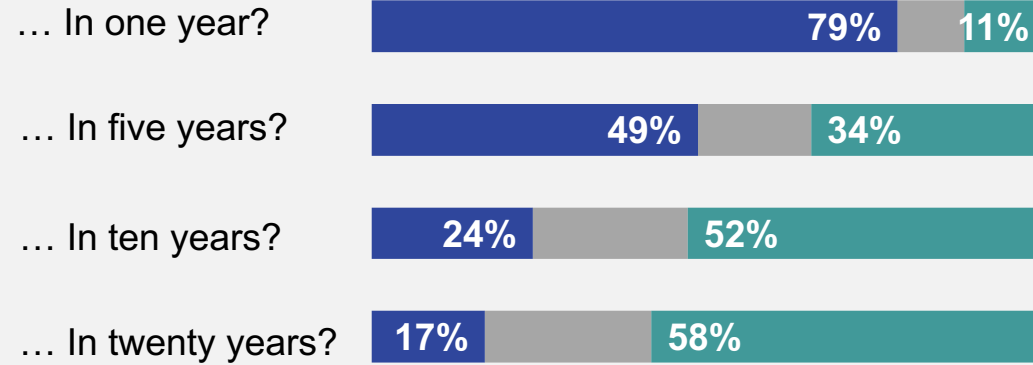


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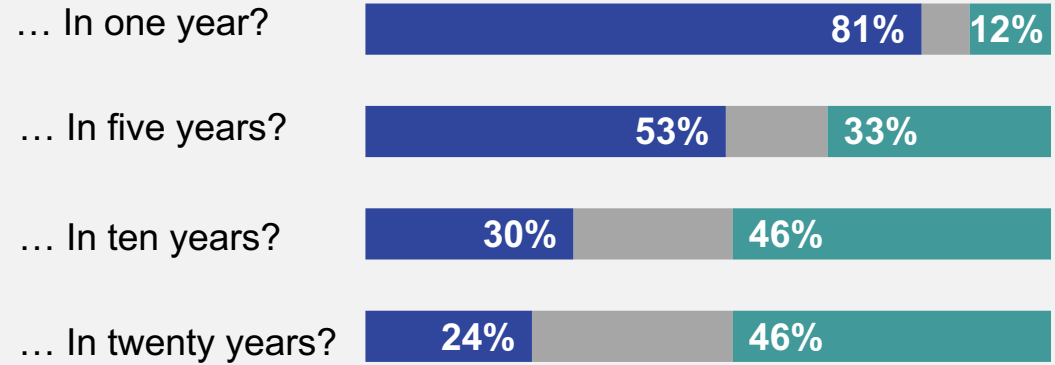
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Do you think the United Kingdom will or will not exist in its current form...

England



Wales

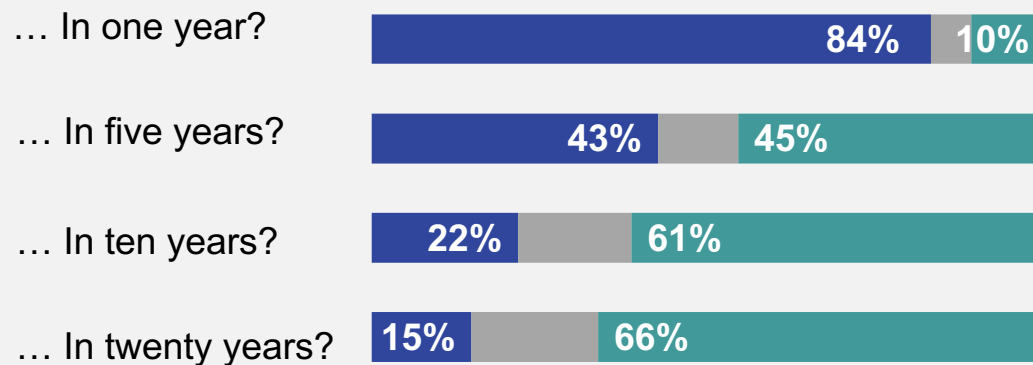


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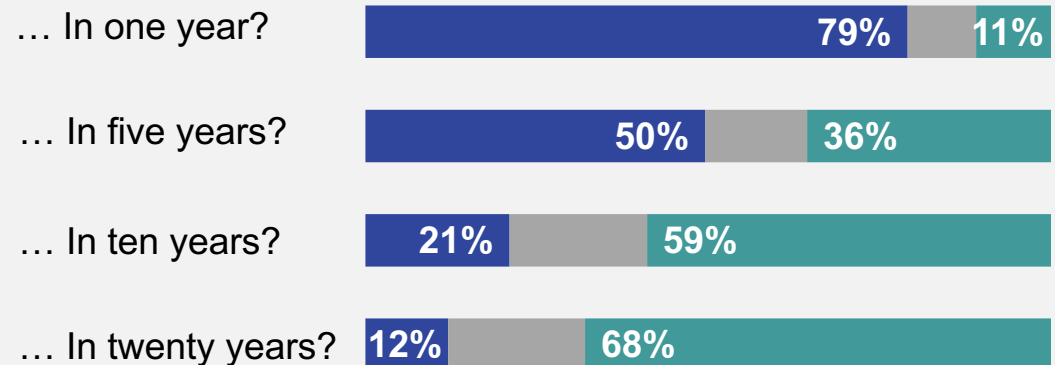
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Scotland



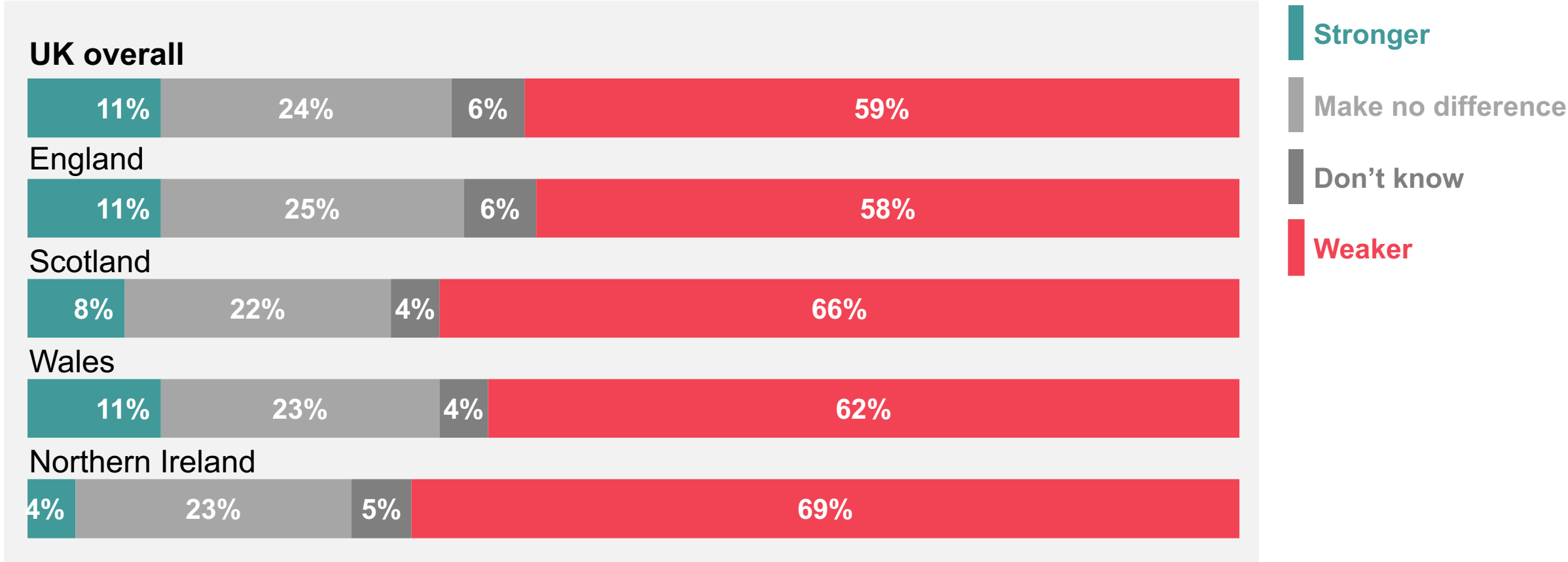
Northern Ireland



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Impact of Scottish independence on the UK

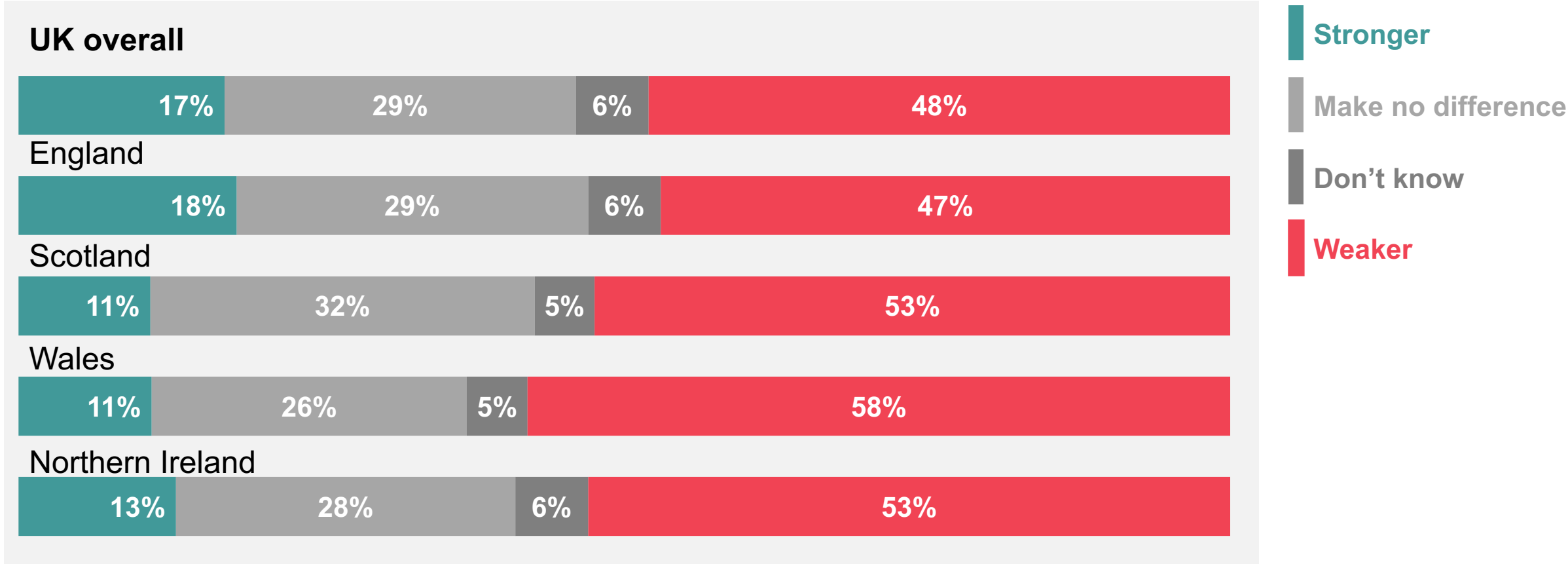
Overall, if Scotland leaves the United Kingdom and becomes an independent country, do you think this will make the **United Kingdom** stronger, weaker or make no difference?



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Impact of Scottish independence on England

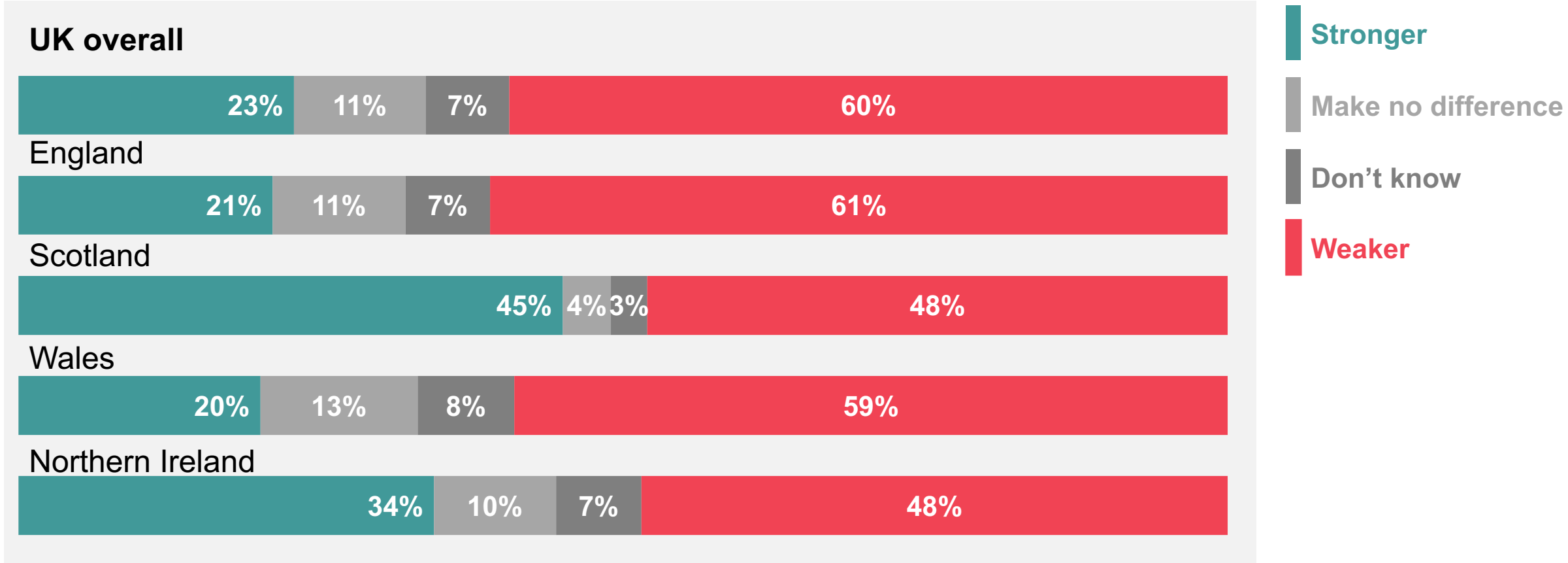
Overall, if Scotland leaves the United Kingdom and becomes an independent country, do you think this will make **England** stronger, weaker or make no difference?



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Impact of independence on Scotland

Overall, if Scotland leaves the United Kingdom and becomes an independent country, do you think this will make **Scotland** stronger, weaker or make no difference?



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KnowledgePanel Methodological Note

The UK KnowledgePanel is a random probability online panel of UK adults aged 16+. It provides an accessible random probability alternative to face-to-face and telephone based methods, and offers a high quality and efficient means of obtaining survey results using a single data collection method.

Panellists to the KnowledgePanel are recruited via a push-to-web methodology using random probability unclustered address-based sampling. Up to two adults aged 16 and over in each household are invited to join the panel. Members of the public who do not have internet access or are digitally excluded are offered an internet-enabled device which allows them to complete KnowledgePanel surveys online.

Survey methodological note

Achieved interviews:

8,558 adults aged 16+, UK residents, 1-7 April 2021

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