

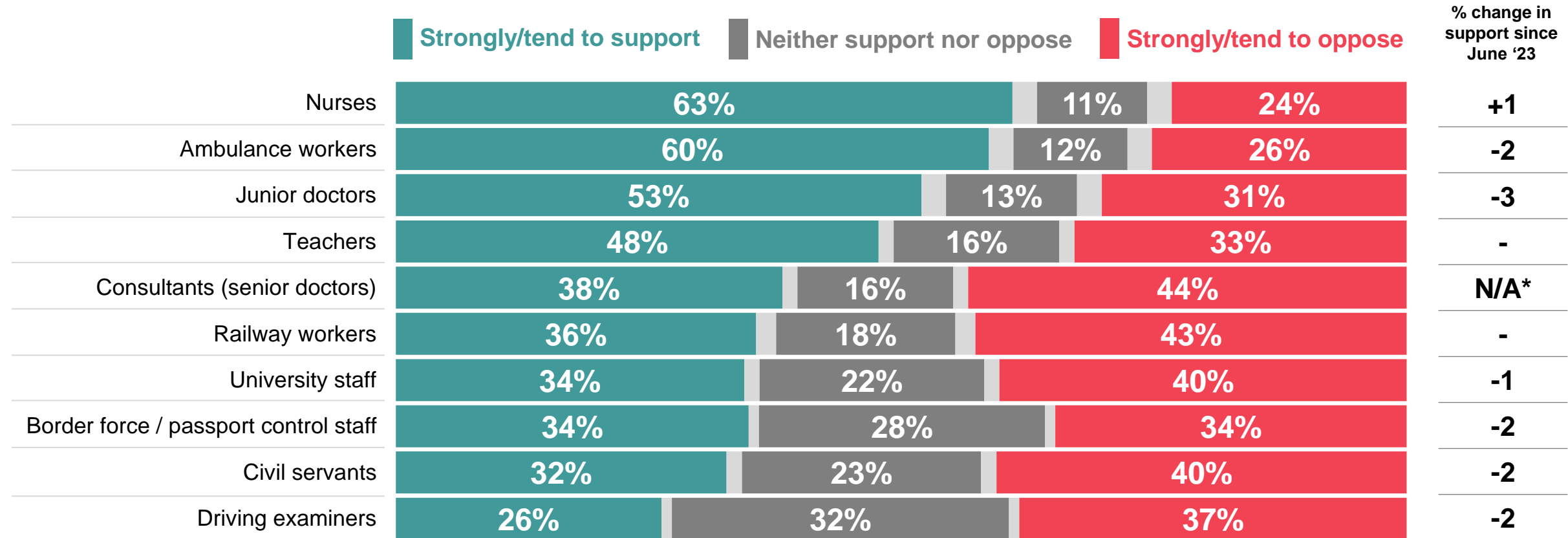


# **Ipsos Public attitudes towards strike action**

**August 2023**

# Support remains highest for healthcare workers taking strike action

As you may know, workers from some sectors have been on strike over the past year or are considering strike action in the future. From what you know or have heard, to what extent, if at all, would you support or oppose strikes by each of the following, if they did decide to strike?



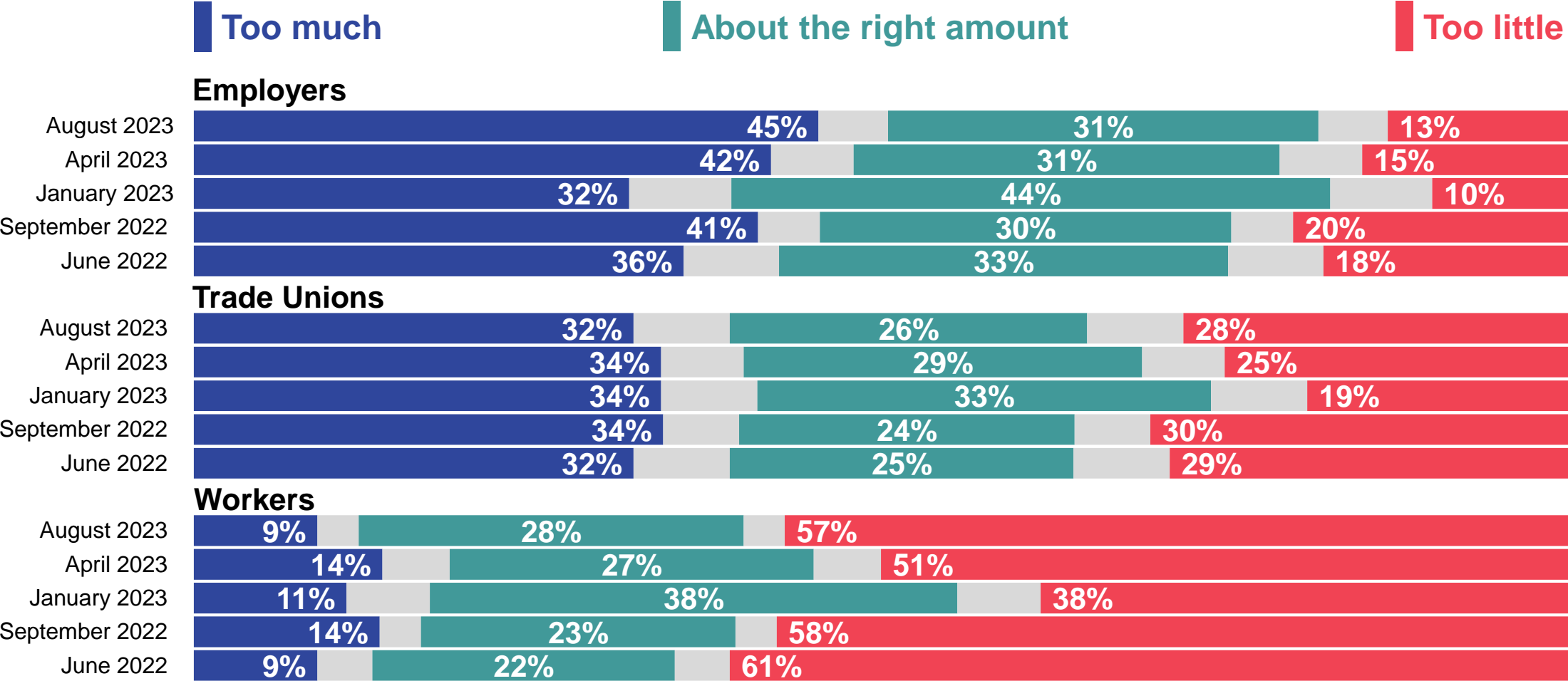
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N/A\* - not asked in the June 2023 survey



# Almost half think employers have too much power in Britain today, while three in five think workers have too little

Do you think the following have too much, too little, or about the right amount of power in Britain today?

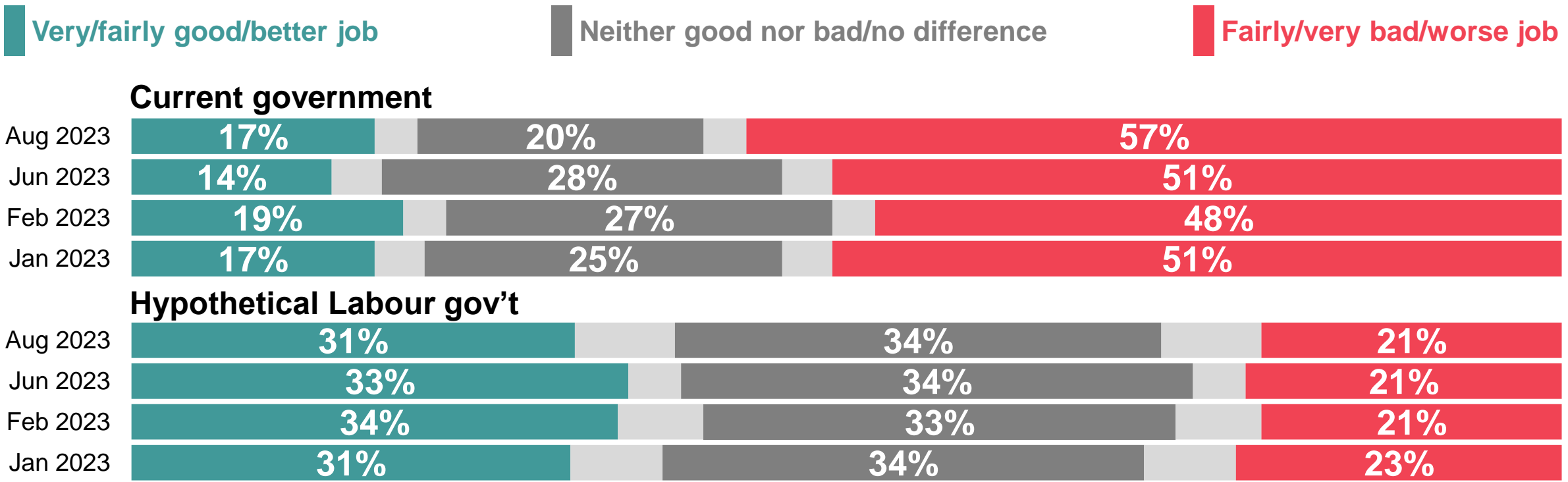


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# Just under one in five think Rishi Sunak’s government is doing a good job at negotiating with trade unions to prevent strikes. Three in ten think a Labour government led by Keir Starmer would do a better job.

Do you think the UK government led by Rishi Sunak is doing a good job or bad job, if either, at negotiating with trade unions to prevent public sector workers going on strike? And compared to the current UK Government, do you think a Labour Government led by Keir Starmer, would do a better or worse job at negotiating with trade unions to prevent public sector workers going on strike, or would it make no difference?

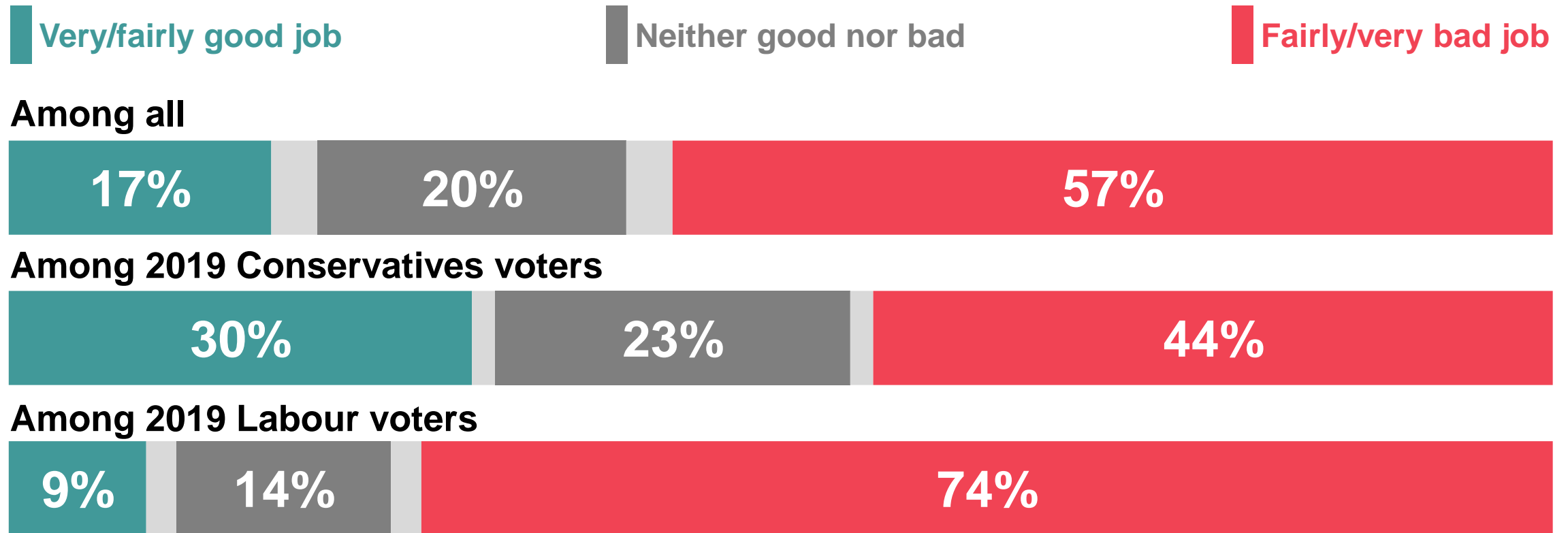


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# Three in ten 2019 Conservative voters think Rishi Sunak's Government is doing a good job on strike negotiations

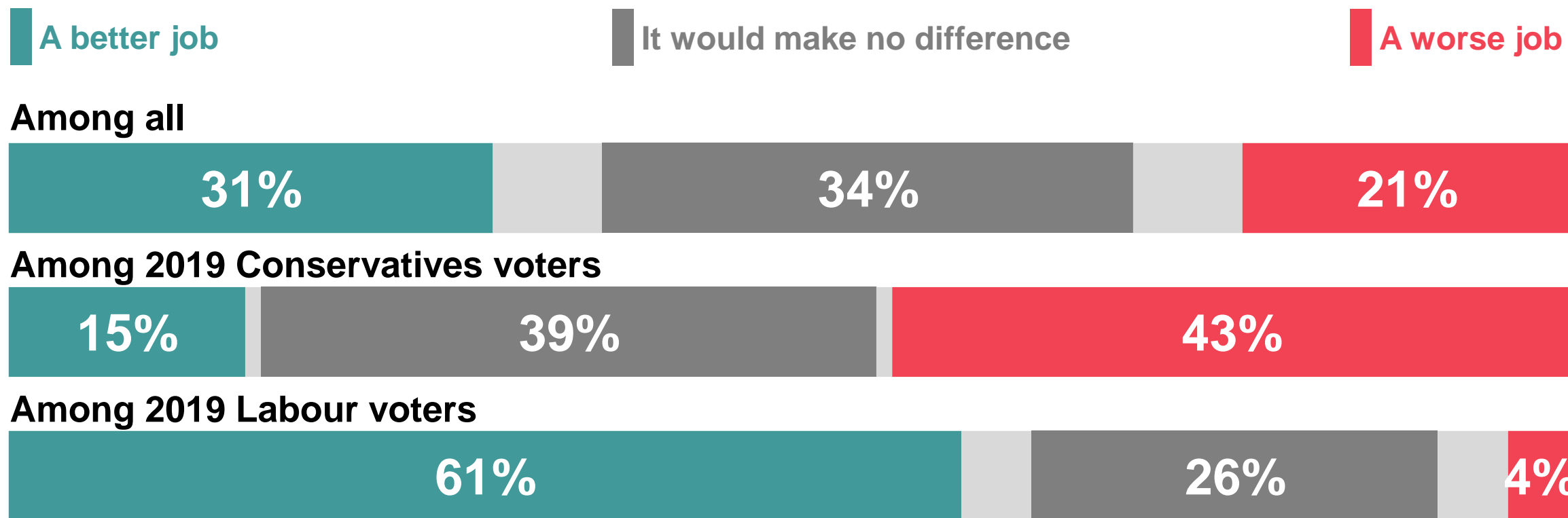
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# 2019 Labour voters are significantly more likely than Conservative voters to think a Labour Government led by Keir Starmer would do a better job on negotiations

And compared to the current UK Government, do you think a Labour Government led by Keir Starmer, would do a better or worse job at negotiating with trade unions to prevent public sector workers going on strike, or would it make no difference?



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