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Malaysian perception of crime
and law enforcement

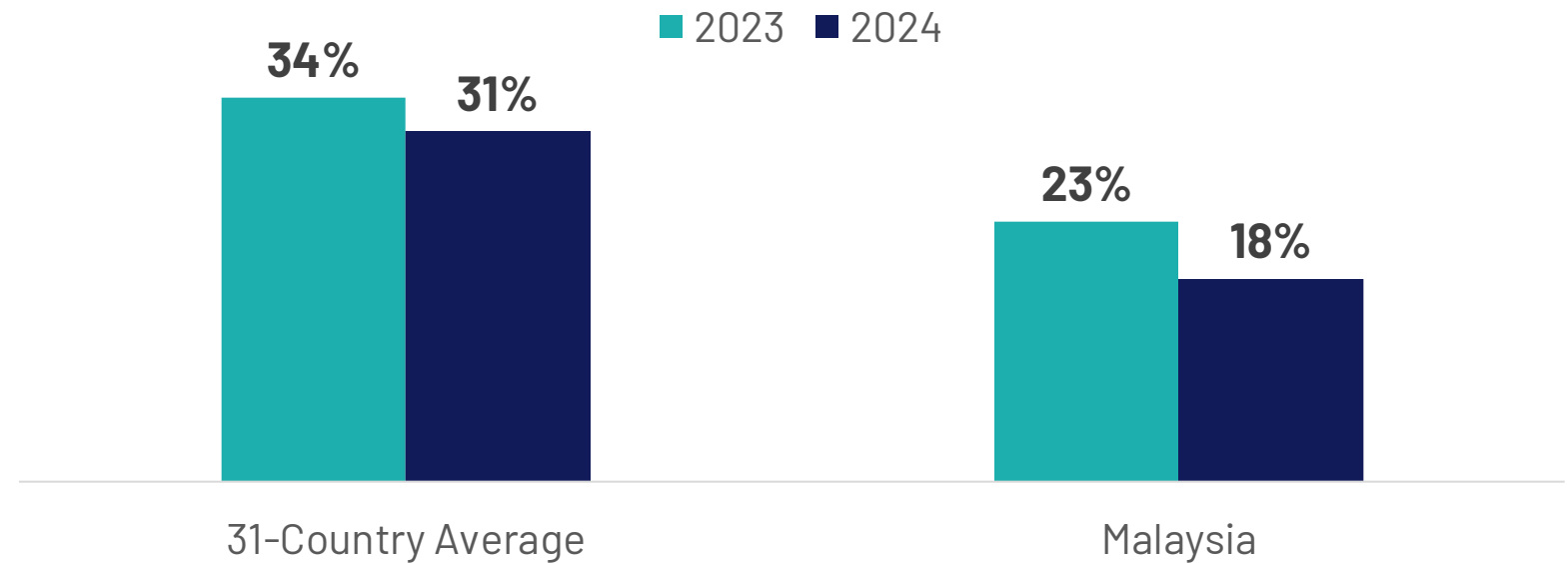
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Malaysians believe **crime has been under control** (stayed the same or decreased in the last year) and is better than last year, with a drop in those who believe it has increased.

Latin American countries and South Africa showed the highest (over 50%) increase.

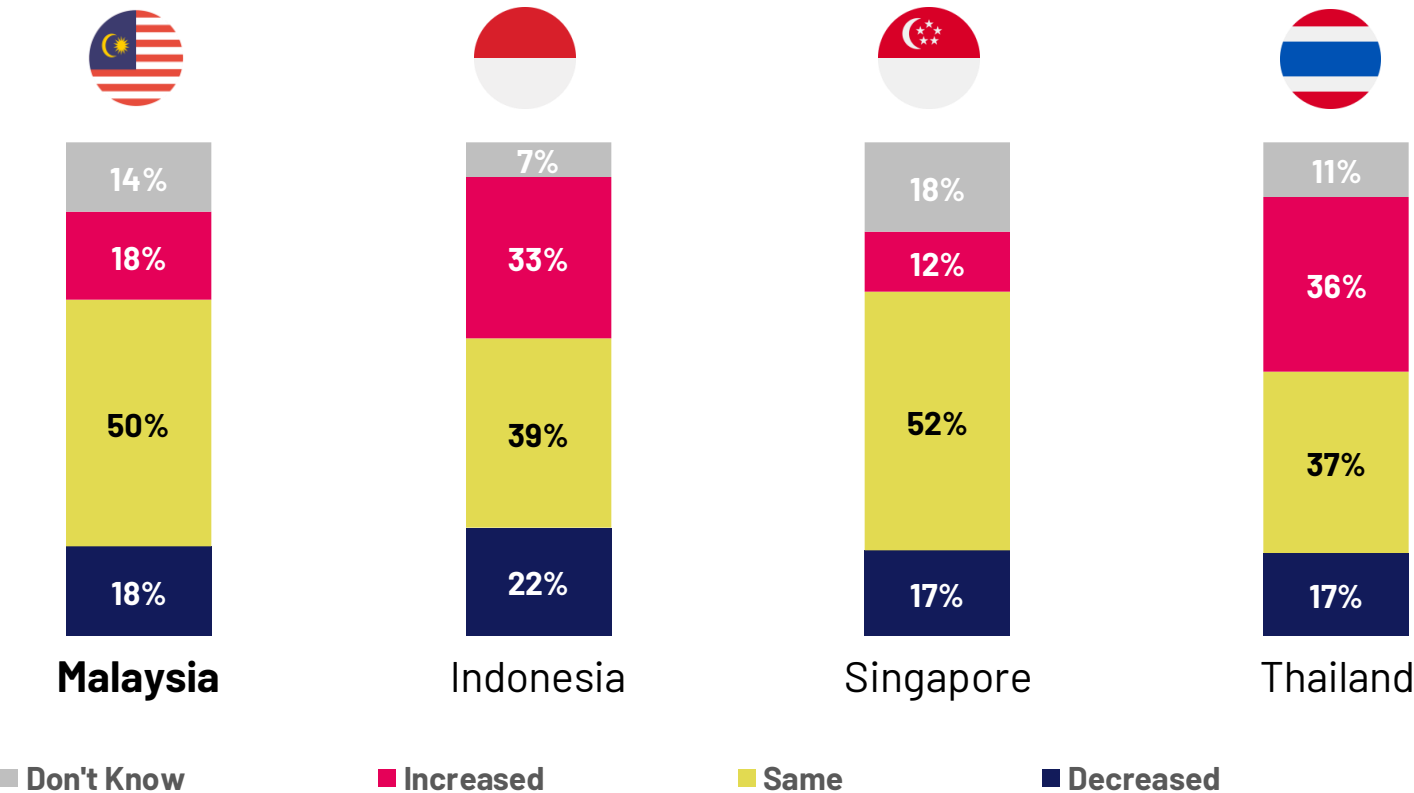
% who think that crime has **increased** in their neighbourhood in the last 12 months



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Crime in Southeast Asia :1 out of 3 Indonesians and Thai think that crime has increased, while more Singaporeans agree that crime has decreased.

In the past 12 months, has the **amount of crime or violence** in your neighborhood **increased, decreased, or stayed about the same** as the previous year?



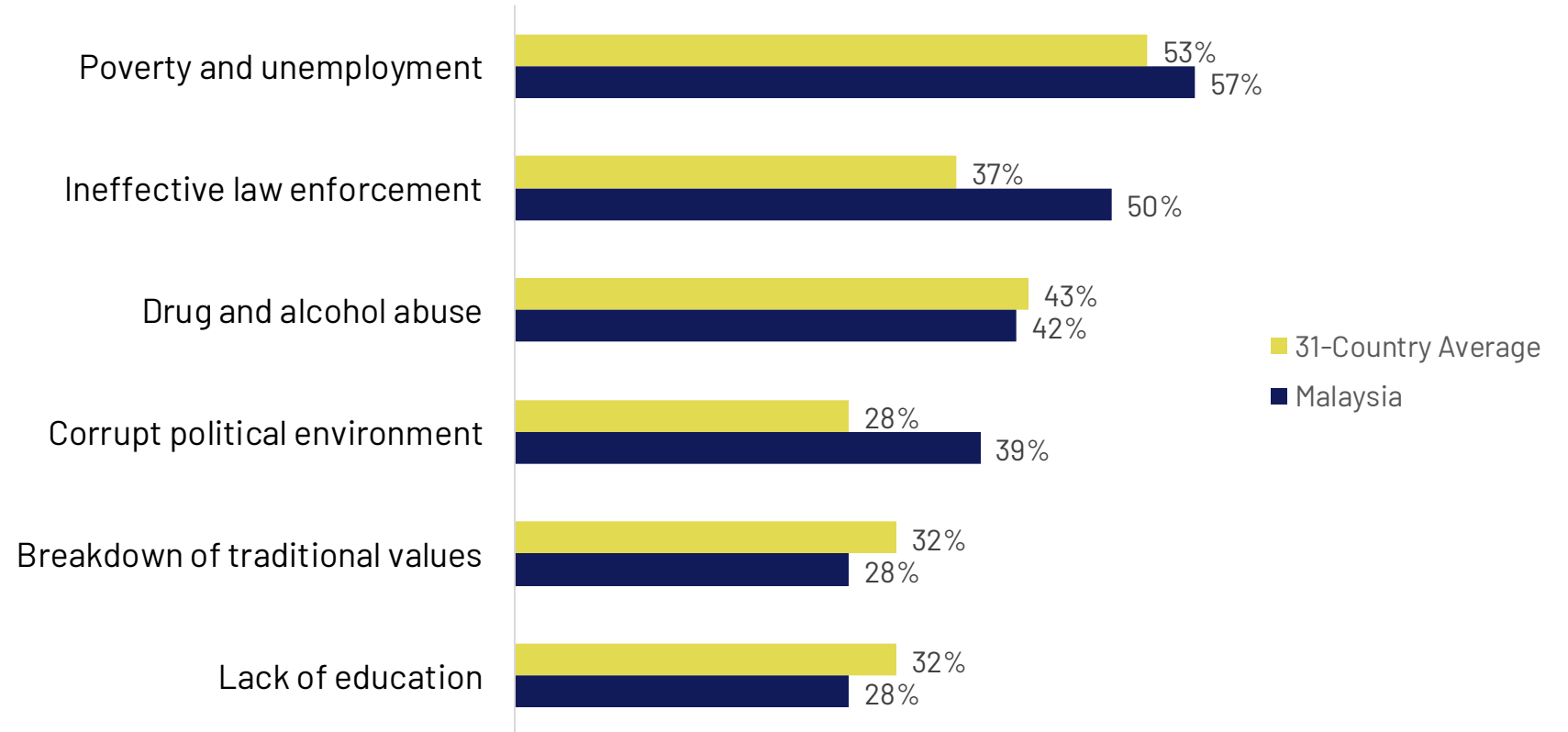
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Poverty and unemployment are seen as the primary cause. Malaysians are more likely to believe that **ineffective law enforcement** and a **corrupt political environment** play significant roles in causing crime.

What do you believe are the **most significant causes** of crime and corruption?

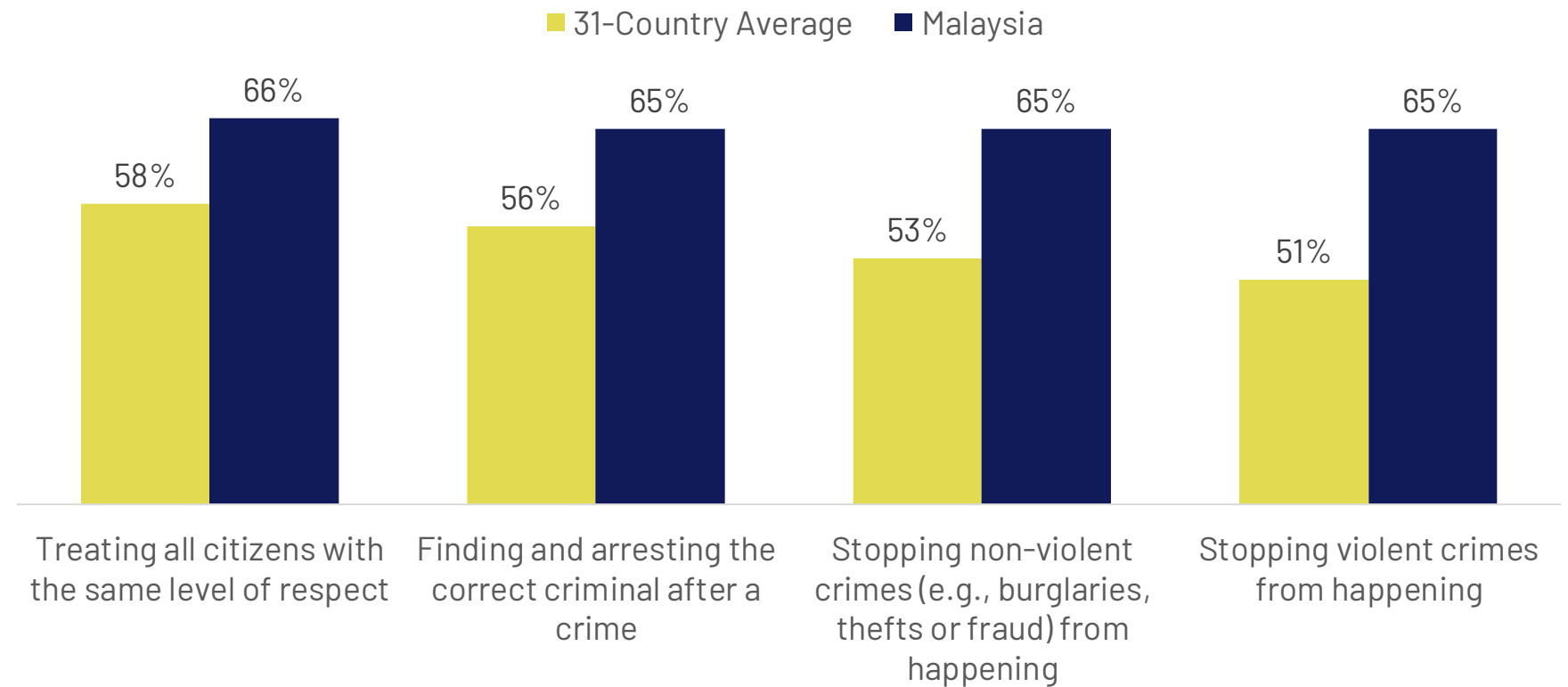


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Malaysians are **more confident towards the law enforcement authorities** on treating everyone equally and preventing crimes.

% confident in **law enforcement** (e.g., the police) to do the following?



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Malaysian Crime Monitor



Ipsos Malaysian Crime Monitor reveals a growing sense of security among Malaysians, with a declining perception of the rising crime rate. This positive sentiment is shared by Singapore within Southeast Asia. However, concerns persist in Thailand and Indonesia, where more than a third of the population believes crime is rising.

Poverty and unemployment are seen as the primary causes of crime. Malaysians are more likely to point out ineffective law enforcement and corrupt political environment as other reasons.

Malaysians expressed great confidence in the country's law enforcement agencies. The majority believe that law enforcement treats all citizens equally and with respect. Moreover, they are successful in preventing violent/non-violent crimes. Public trust and confidence in law enforcement are essential for maintaining a peaceful and secure society.



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