

# The Palestinians of East Jerusalem: What Do They Really Want?

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## East Jerusalem November 2010 Poll Overview

- **East Jerusalem Palestinians only**
- **No local government supervision or interference**
- **Respondents interviewed in Arabic in their own homes by local field representatives from the Palestinian Center for Public Opinion (PCPO)**
- **Multistage random probability sample: N=1039; Margin of error=  $\pm 3\%$**
- **<3 weeks in November (with break for Eid) to conduct interviews and get back full data set.**
- **Dr. David Pollock designed, supervised, analyzed poll. Was in East Jerusalem during field work.**



	Residential Area	Percentage
1	Old City	13.9%
2	Al-Thawre	3.4%
3	Bet Hanina	12.6%
4	Shu'afat Refugee	8.0%
5	Ras Al-'Amud	6.9%
6	Silwan	4.4%
7	Wadi Al-Goz	3.1%
8	Shu'afat	5.6%
9	Kafr 'Aqb	7.6%
10	Isawiyya	4.6%
11	Bab Az-Zahara	2.5%
12	Bet Safafa	3.4%
13	Sharafat	0.6%
14	Jabal Mukabar	6.4%
15	Sur Bahar	3.6%
16	Sheih Jarrah	1.2%
17	Al-Shayyah	1.5%
18	As-Sawana, At-Tur	9.0%
19	Um Tubba	1.7%

## SURVEY DEMOGRAPHICS

Actual Poll Percentages Unweighted

Gender	Percent
Male	51%
Female	49%

Age	Percent
18--24	32%
25--36	36%
36+	32%

Work Sector	Percent
Public	35%
Private And Non Governmental	30%
Doesn't Work	35%

## SURVEY DEMOGRAPHICS

Actual Poll Percentages Unweighted

Occupation	Percent
Student	21%
Laborer	22%
Housewife	13%
Employee	22%
Professional	7%
Merchant	7%
Farmer	1%
Retired	2%
Don't Know	7%

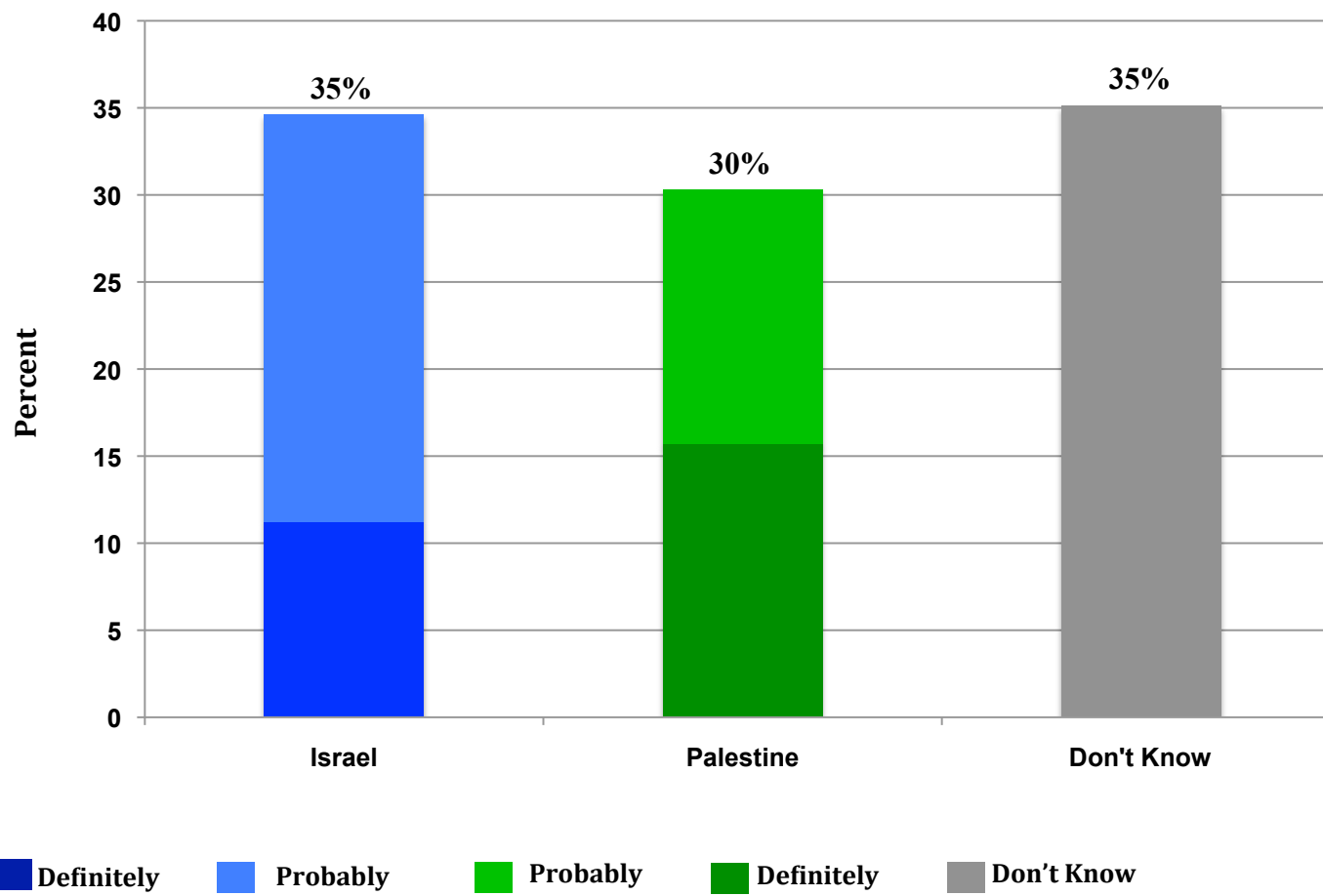
Education	Percent
Illiterate	5%
Elementary	7%
Preparatory	8%
Secondary	30%
2-year College	18%
BA	28%
MA Or Higher	4%

Income	Percent
Less Than NIS 600	3%
Between NIS 601-1200	2%
Between NIS 1201-1800	3%
Between NIS 1801-2400	4%
Between NIS 2401-3000	6%
Between NIS 3001- 3600	12%
Between NIS 3601-4200	11%
Between NIS 4201-4800	18%
More Than NIS 4800	44%

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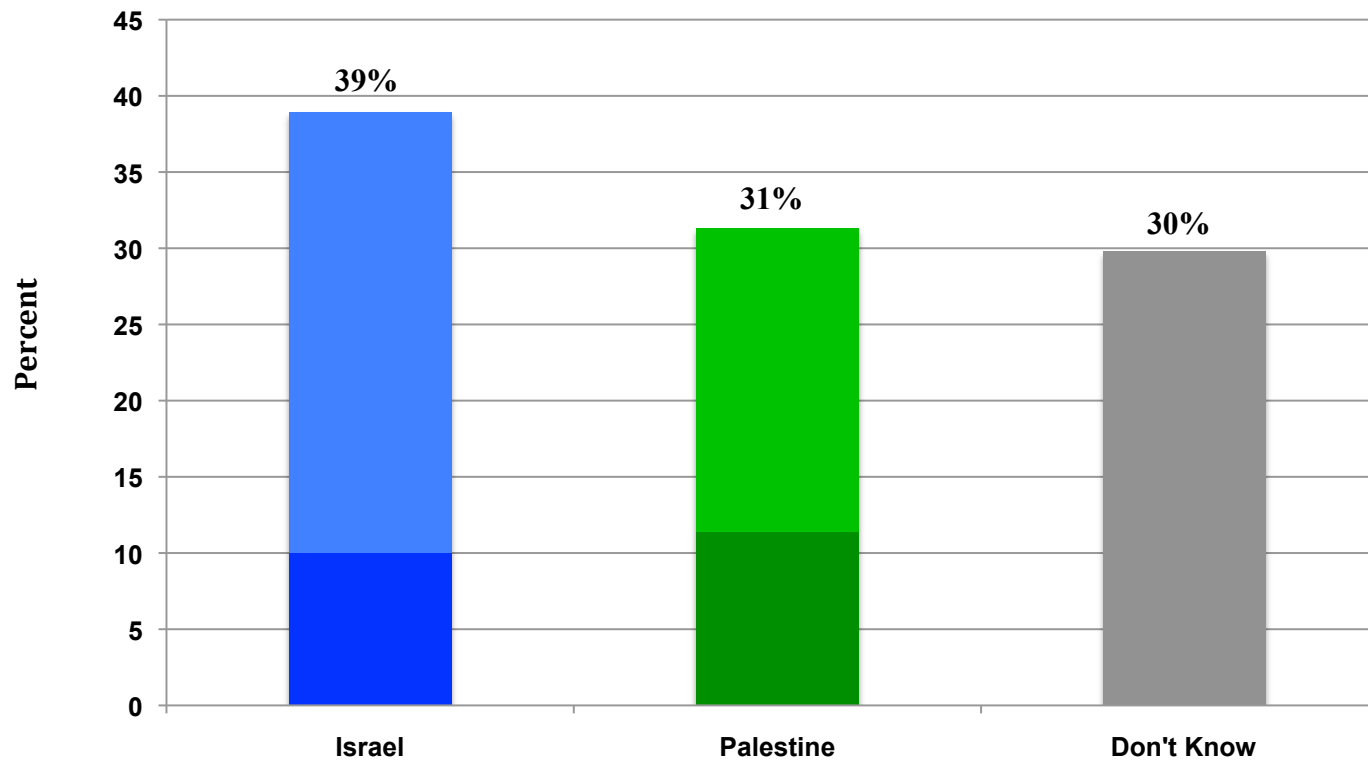
# **Citizenship Preferences Following a Two State Solution**

**“If a permanent, two state solution is able to be worked out, **would you** prefer to become a citizen of Palestine, with all of the rights and privileges of other citizens of Palestine, or would you prefer to become a citizen of Israel, with all of the rights and privileges of other citizens of Israel?”**



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“If a permanent, two state solution is able to be worked out, do you think that **most people in your neighborhood** would prefer to become citizens of Palestine, with all of the rights and privileges of other citizens of Palestine, or would they prefer to become citizens of Israel, with all of the rights and privileges of other citizens of Israel?”

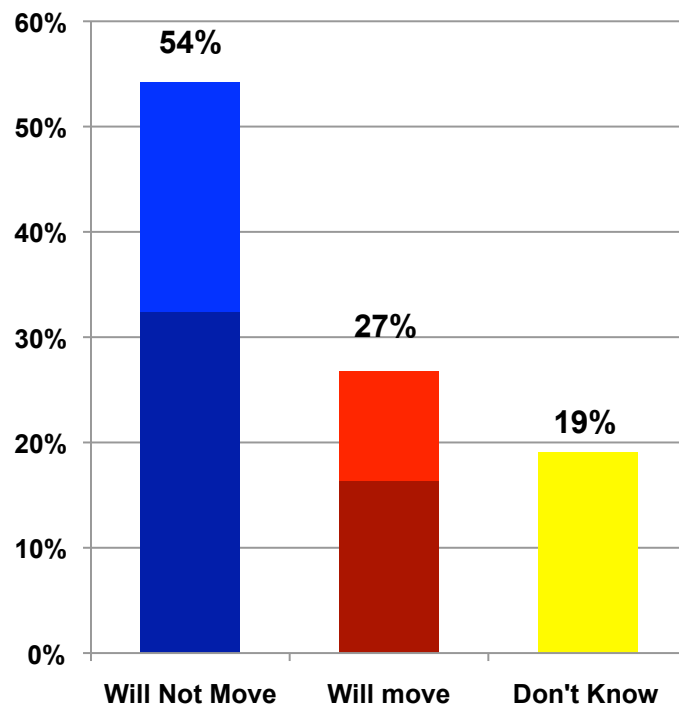


Definitely Probably Probably Definitely Don't Know

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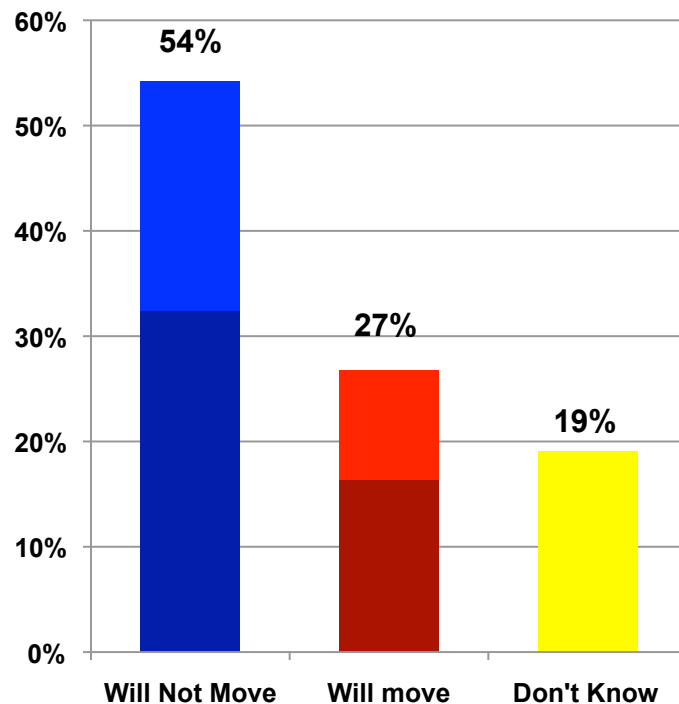
**“If your current neighborhood became an internationally recognized part of *Israel*, and you were allowed to move to a different home inside the new state of *Palestine*, how likely are you to move to a different home inside of *Palestine* and to become a citizen of *Palestine*?”**



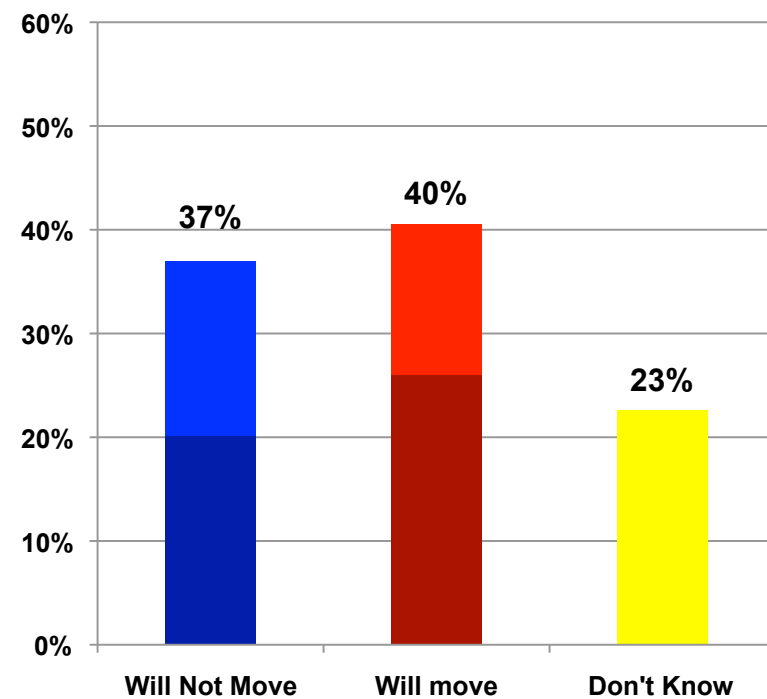
■ Certainly Will Not Move ■ Probably Will Not Move ■ Certainly Will Move ■ Probably Will Move ■ Don't Know

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**“If your current neighborhood became an internationally recognized part of *Palestine*, and you were allowed to move to a different home inside *Israel*, how likely are you to move to a different home in an Israeli neighborhood of Jerusalem, or elsewhere inside *Israel*, and to become a citizen of *Israel*?”**



■ Certainly Will Not Move  
 ■ Probably Will Not Move  
 ■ Certainly Will Move  
 ■ Probably Will Move  
 ■ Don't Know

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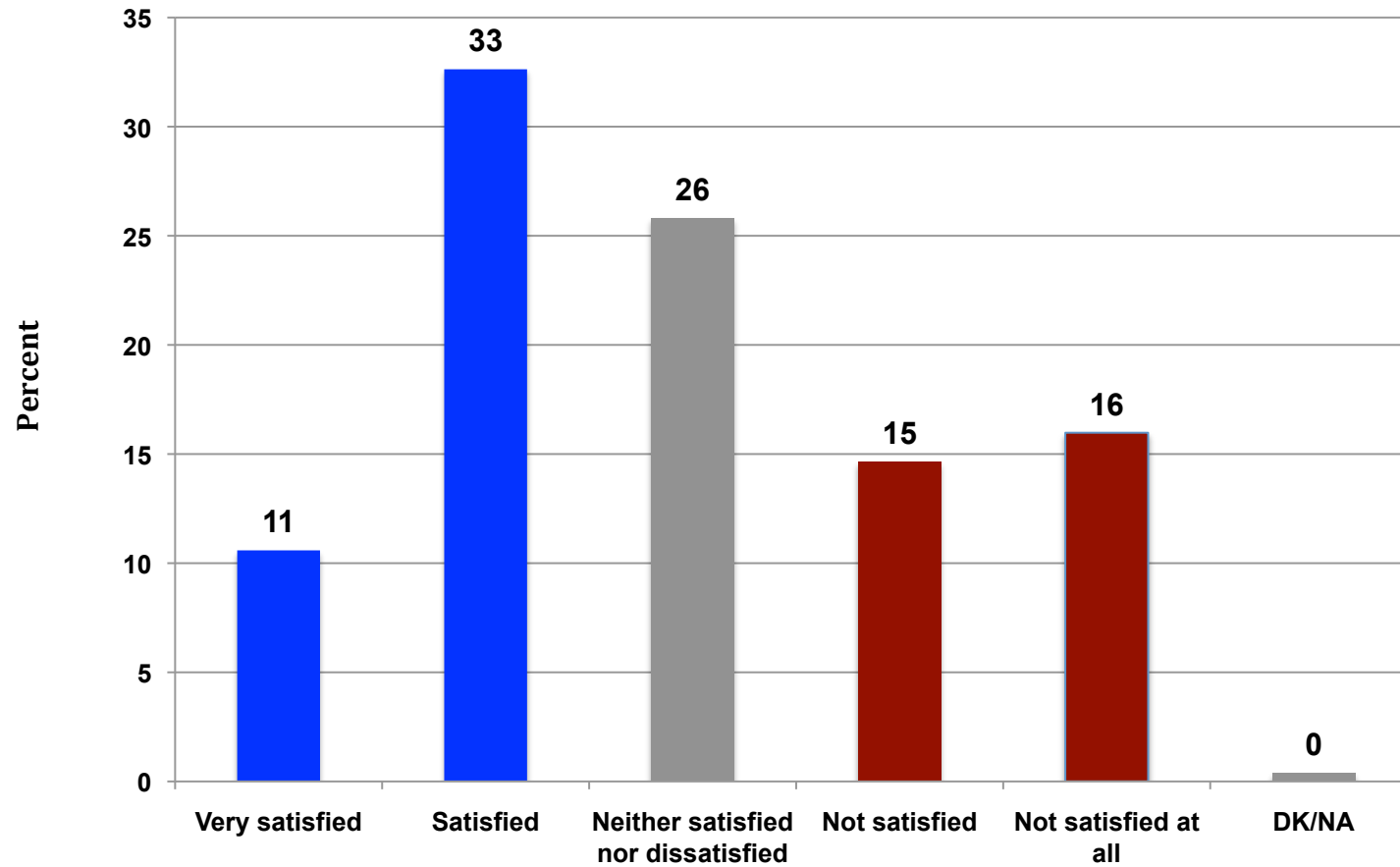
# Life in East Jerusalem Today

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**“Please tell me how satisfied or dissatisfied you are with each of these aspects of your life in East Jerusalem.”**

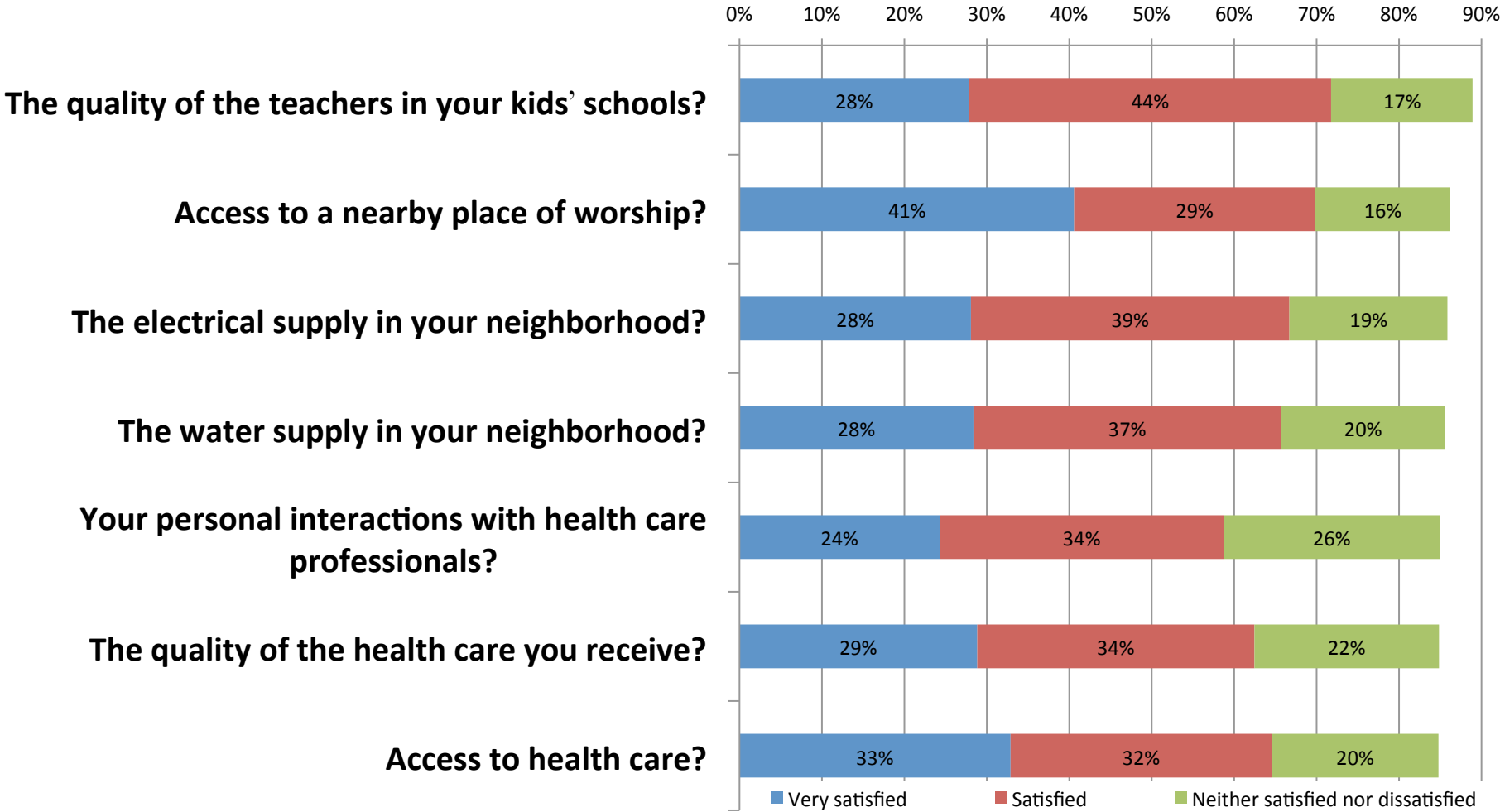
**[33 aspects were rated]**

## How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with your overall standard of living?

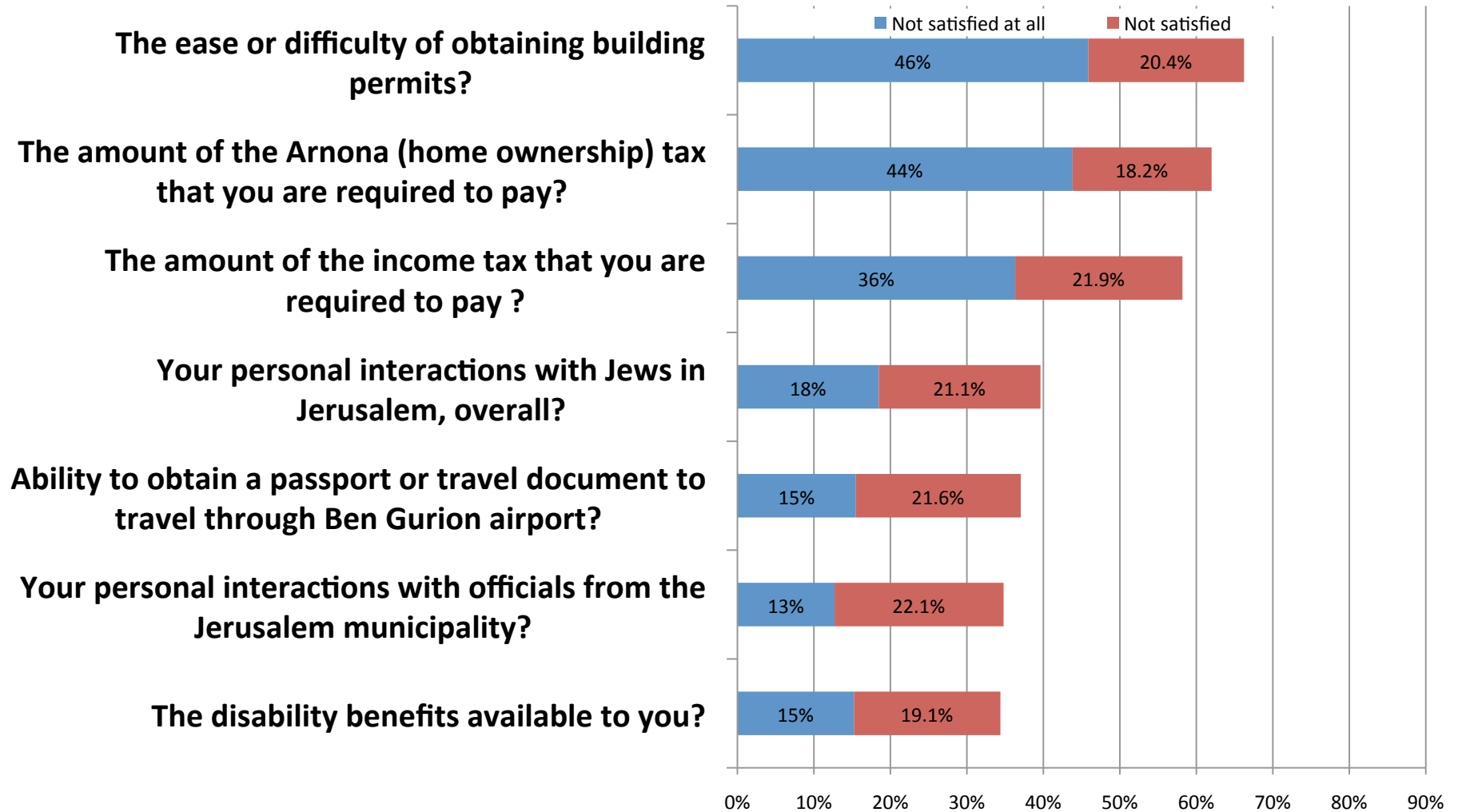


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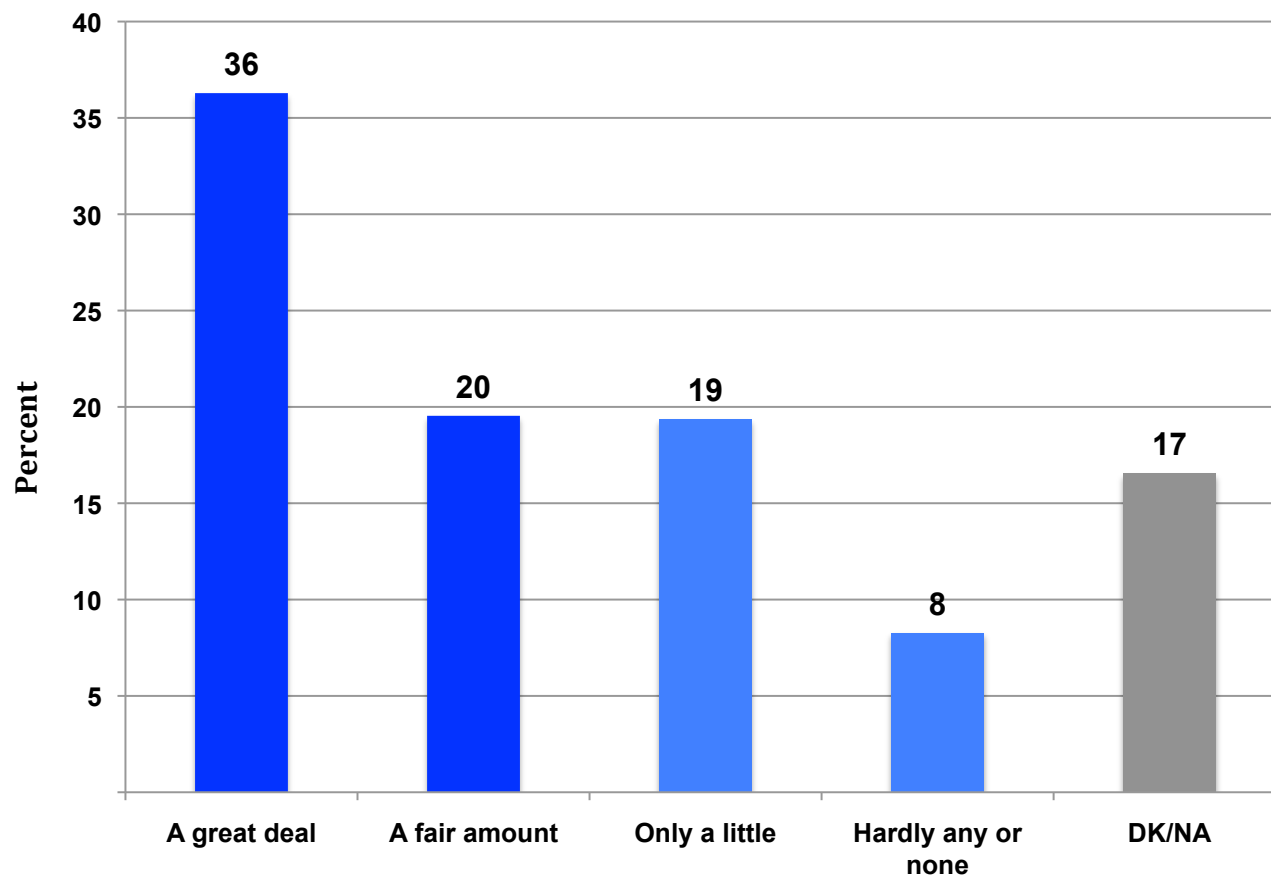
# Most satisfied aspects of life



# Most dissatisfied aspects of life



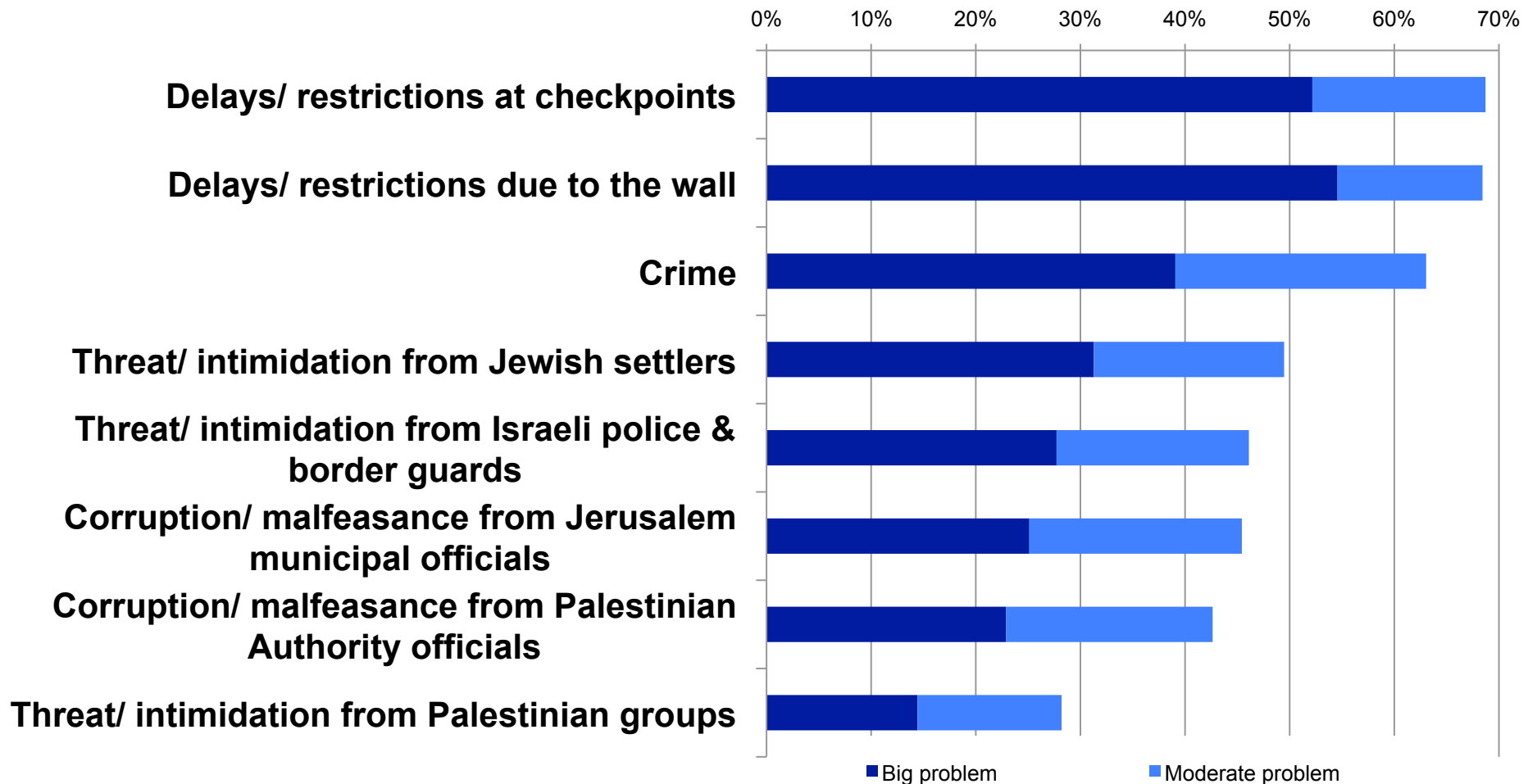
# “In your view is there or is there not discrimination in the services provided to Arabs by the Jerusalem municipality?”



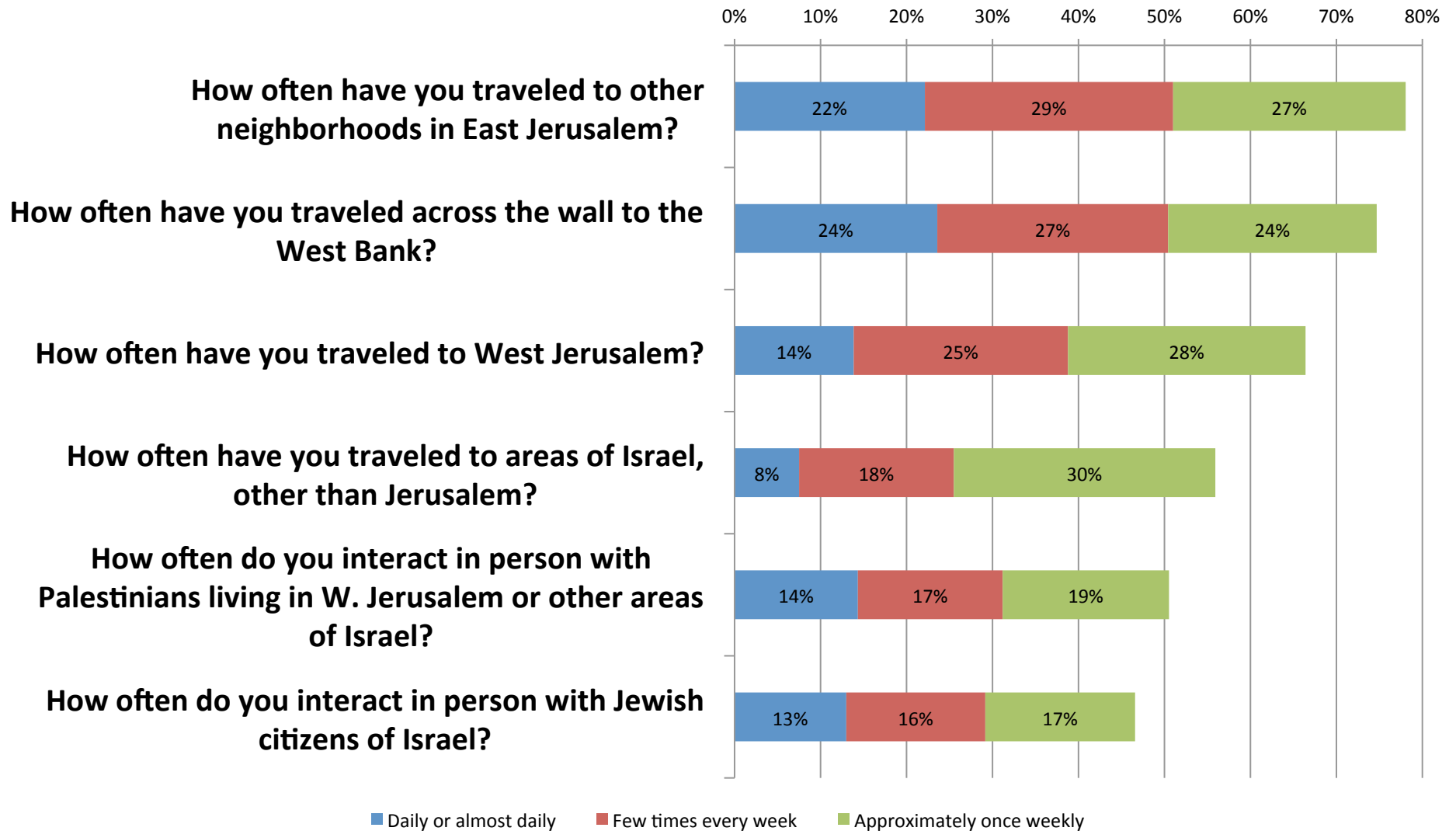
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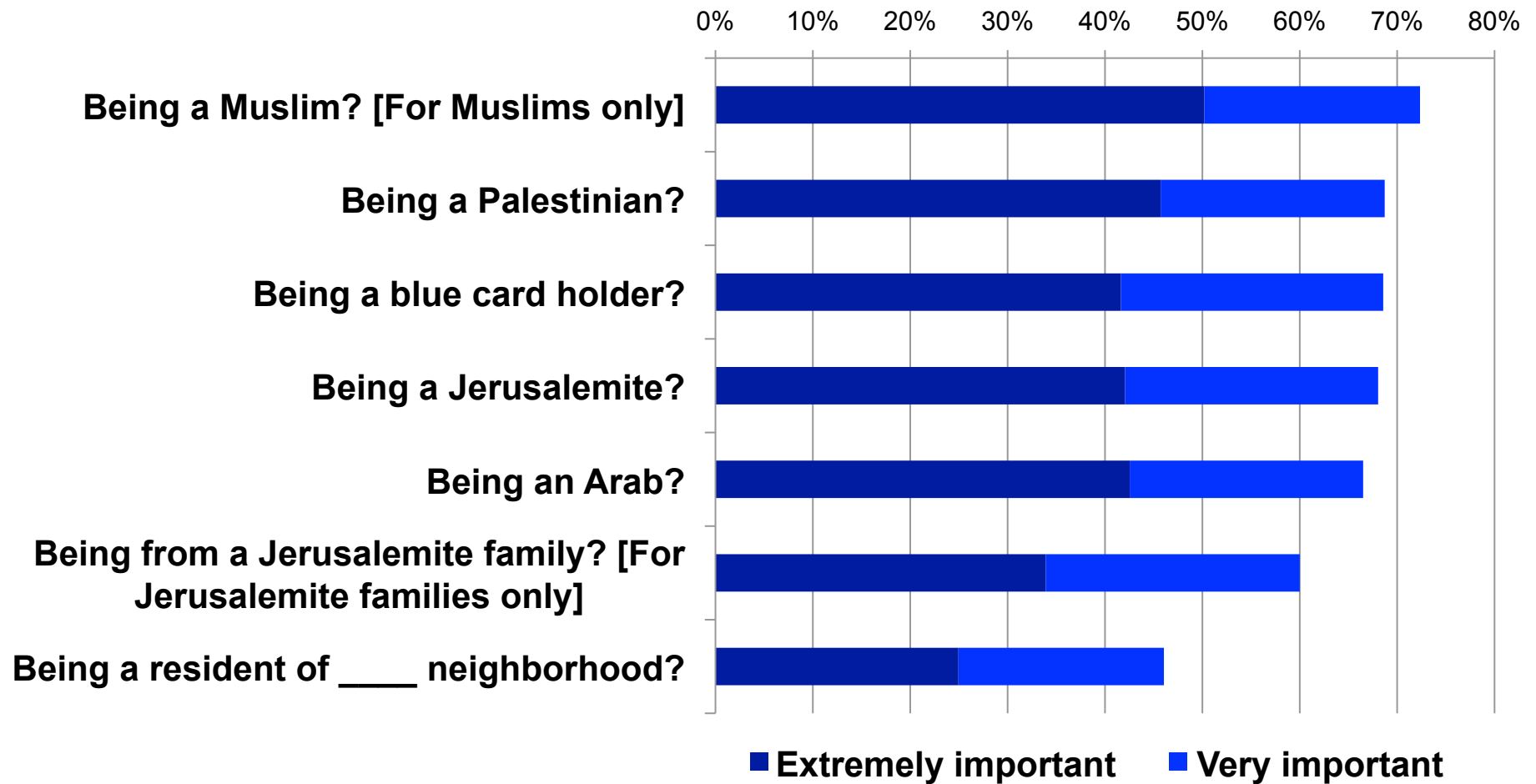
# “How big a problem are the following things in East Jerusalem?”



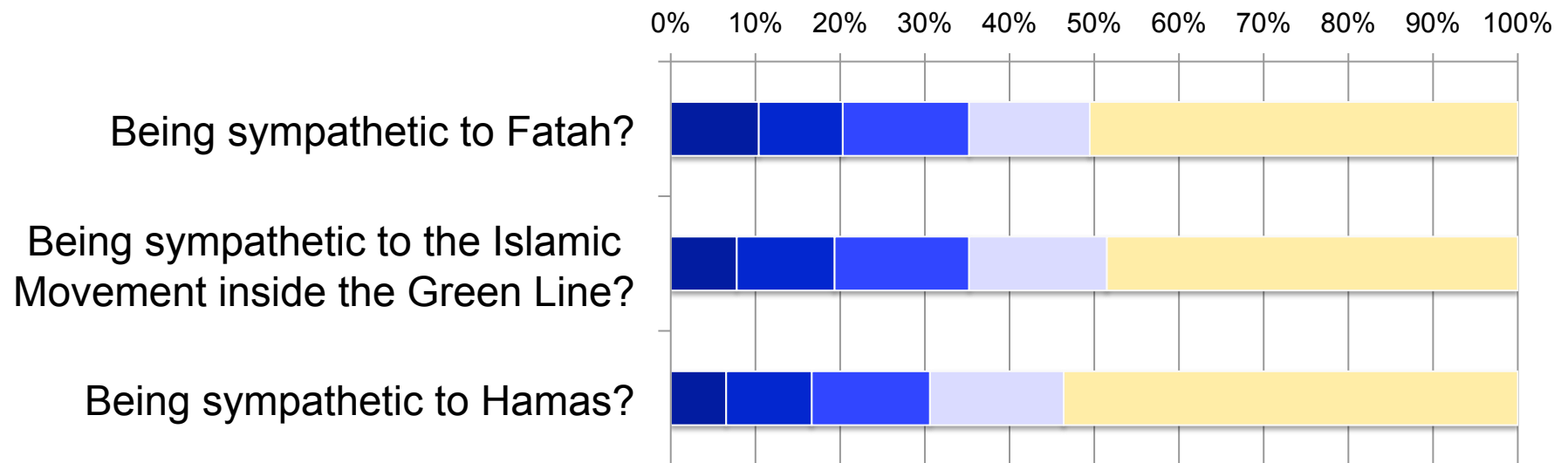
# Travel patterns over the last 6 months



I'm going to ask you about a number of identities. For each one, please tell me how important that identity is to you.



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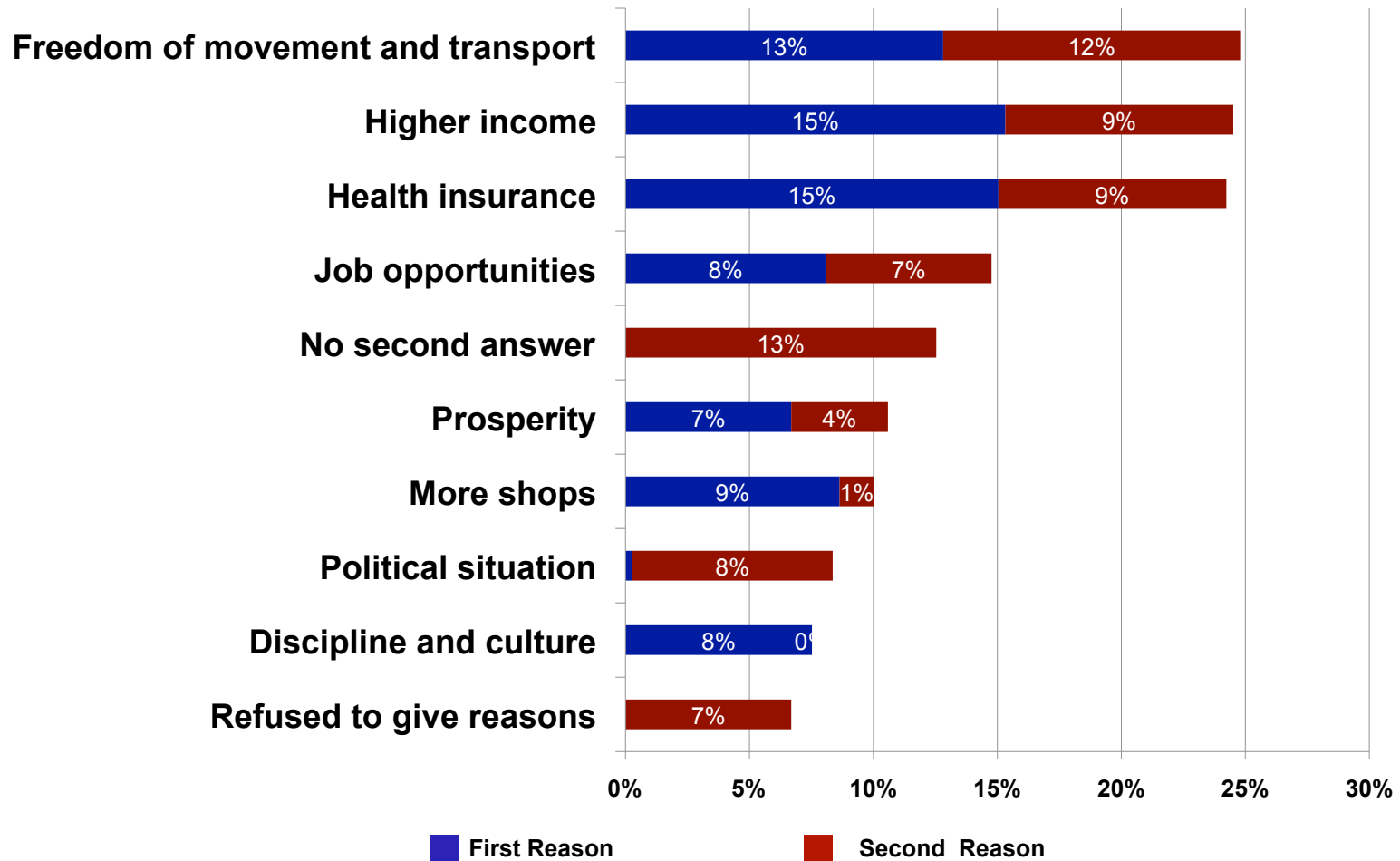
- Extremely important
- Very important
- Moderately important
- A little important
- Not important at all OR Not applicable

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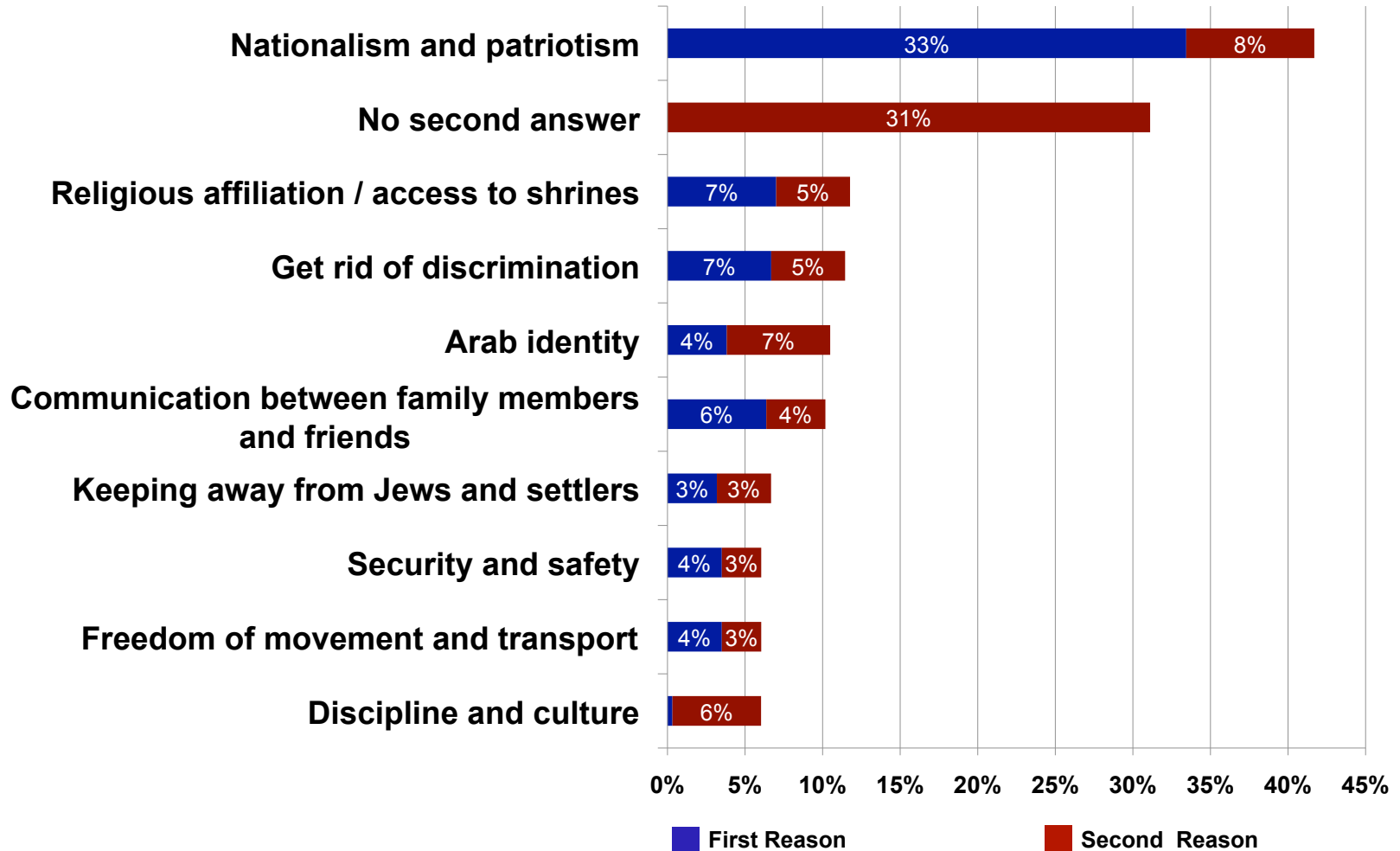
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# **Why did respondents prefer Israeli or Palestinian citizenship?**

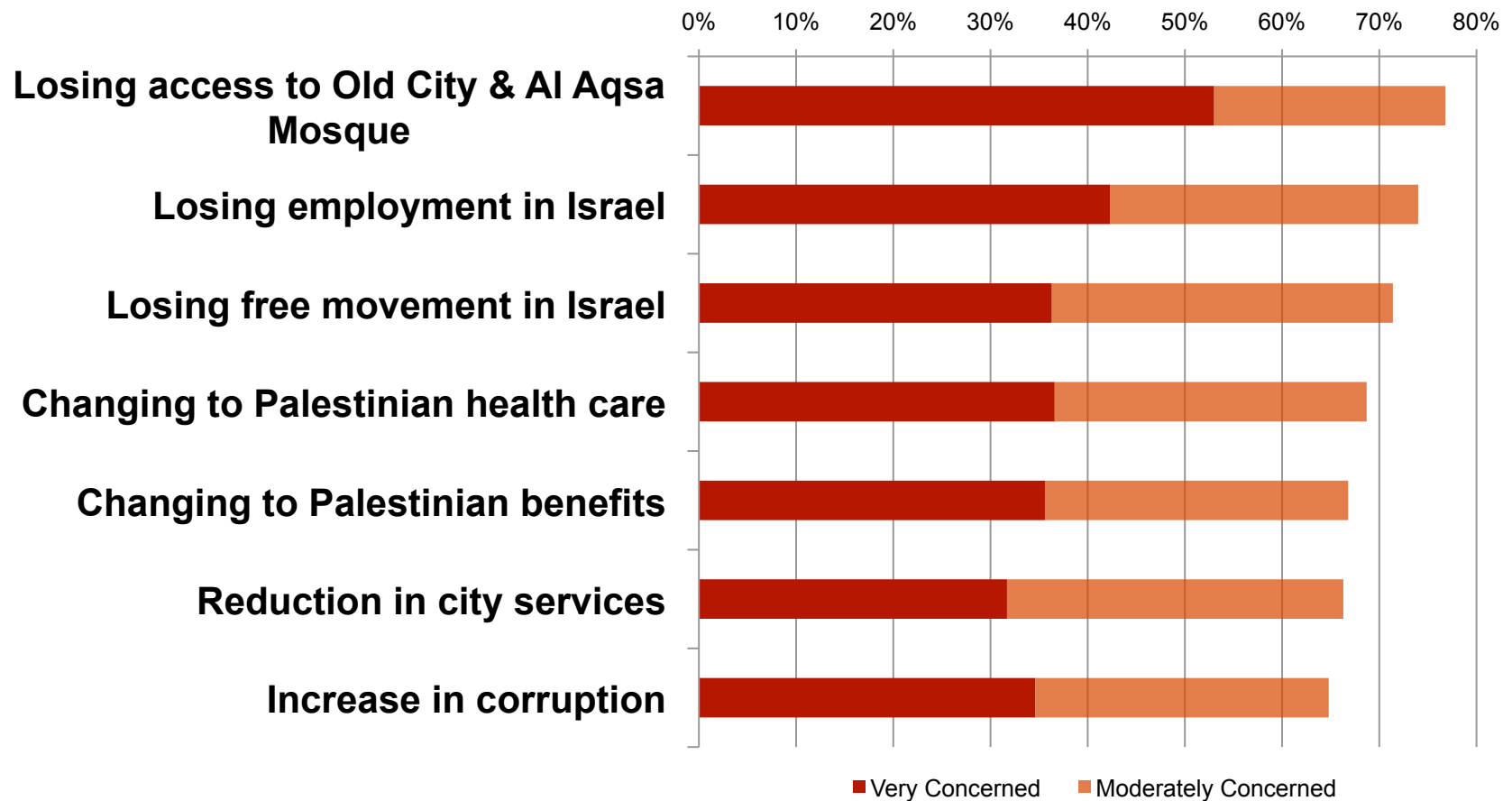
## Preference for Israeli Citizenship: First/ Second Reasons (Top 10 Responses)



# Preference for Palestinian Citizenship: First/ Second Reasons (Top 10 Responses)

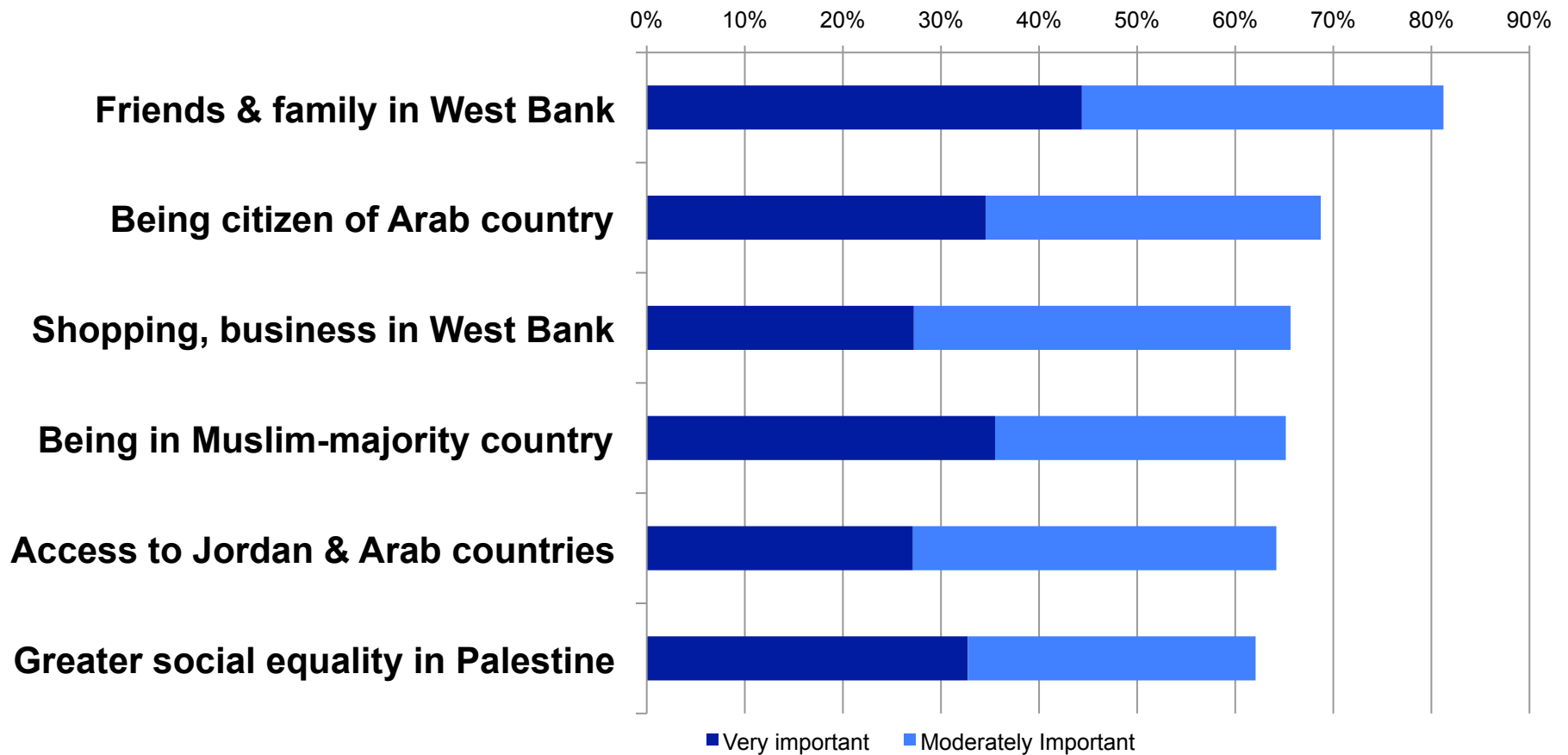


**“If your neighborhood were to become a part of the new state of Palestine and you were to become a citizen of Palestine with all of the rights and privileges of other citizens of Palestine, **how concerned** would you be about each of these possible changes in your life.” [Top rated concerns]**

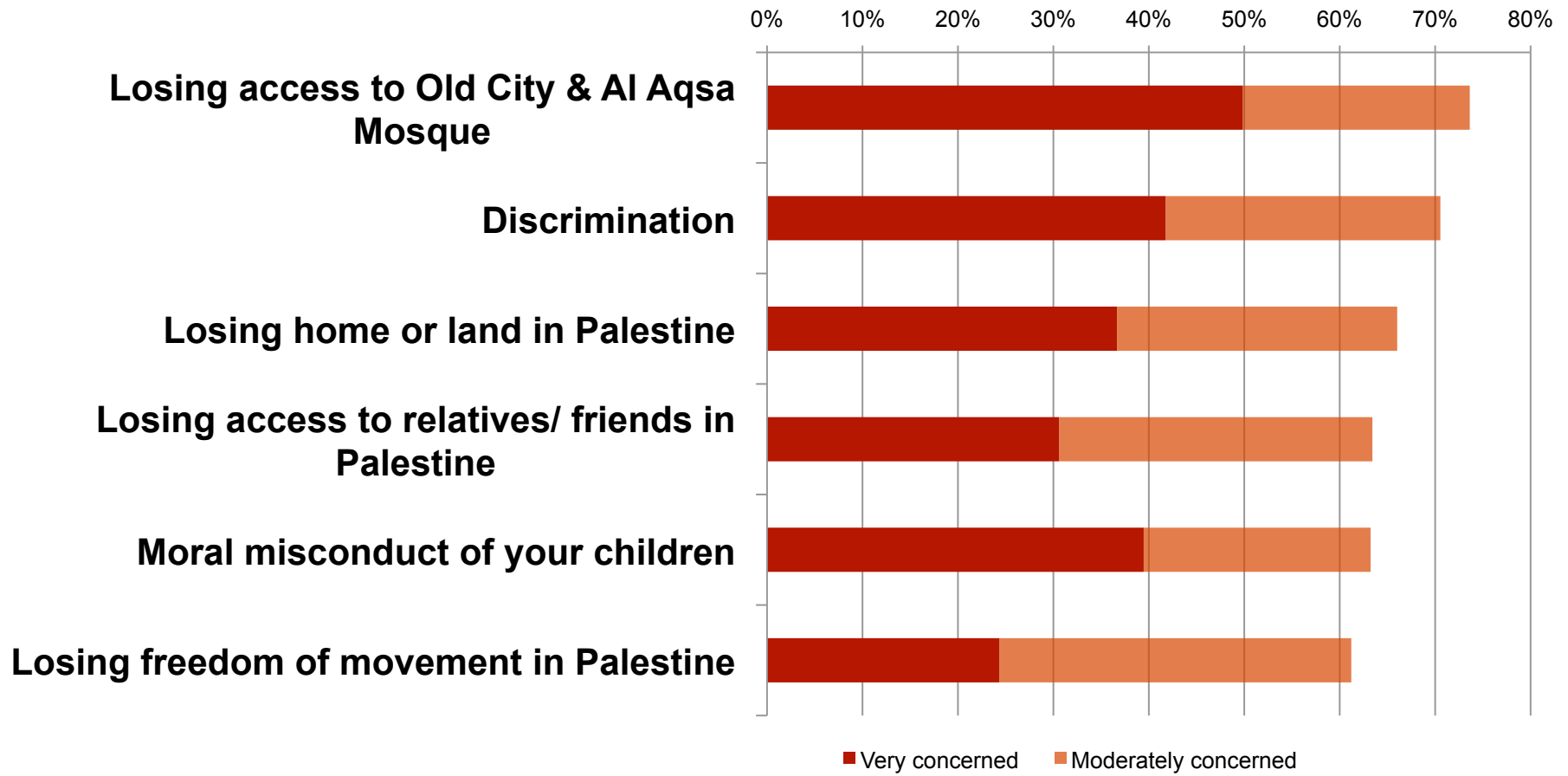




**“If, following a comprehensive peace agreement, your neighborhood were to become part of the new state of Palestine, and you were to become a citizen of Palestine with all of the rights and privileges of other citizens of Palestine, how important are these benefits of this new citizenship?” [Top rated benefits]**

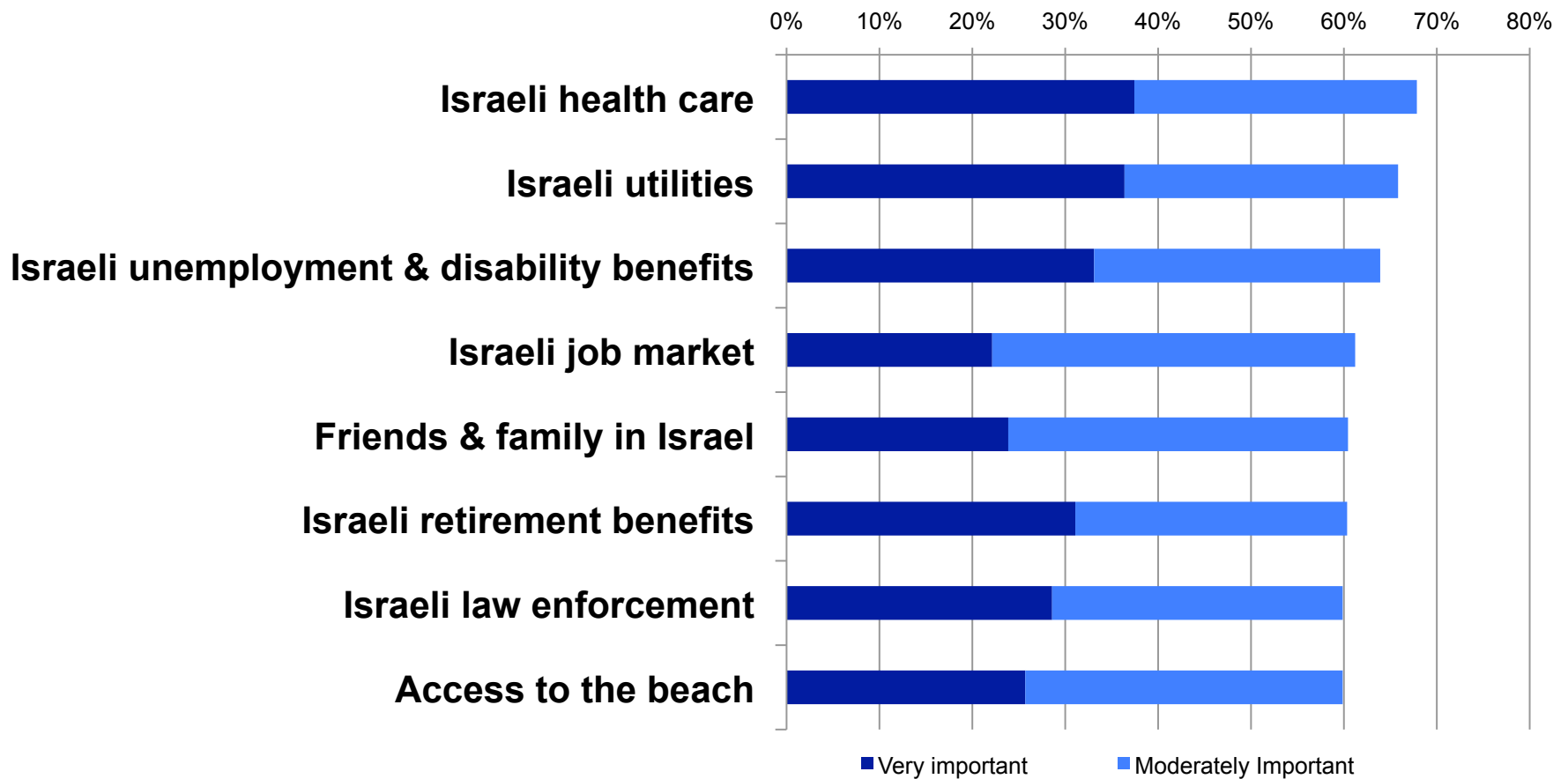


**“On the other hand, if your neighborhood were to become a part of the *state of Israel* and you were to become a citizen of Israel with all of the rights and privileges of other citizens of Israel, **how concerned** would you be about...” [Top rated concerns]**



**“If, following a comprehensive peace agreement, your neighborhood were to become part of the state of Israel, and you were to become a citizen of Israel with all of the rights and privileges of other citizens of Israel, how important are these benefits of this new citizenship?**

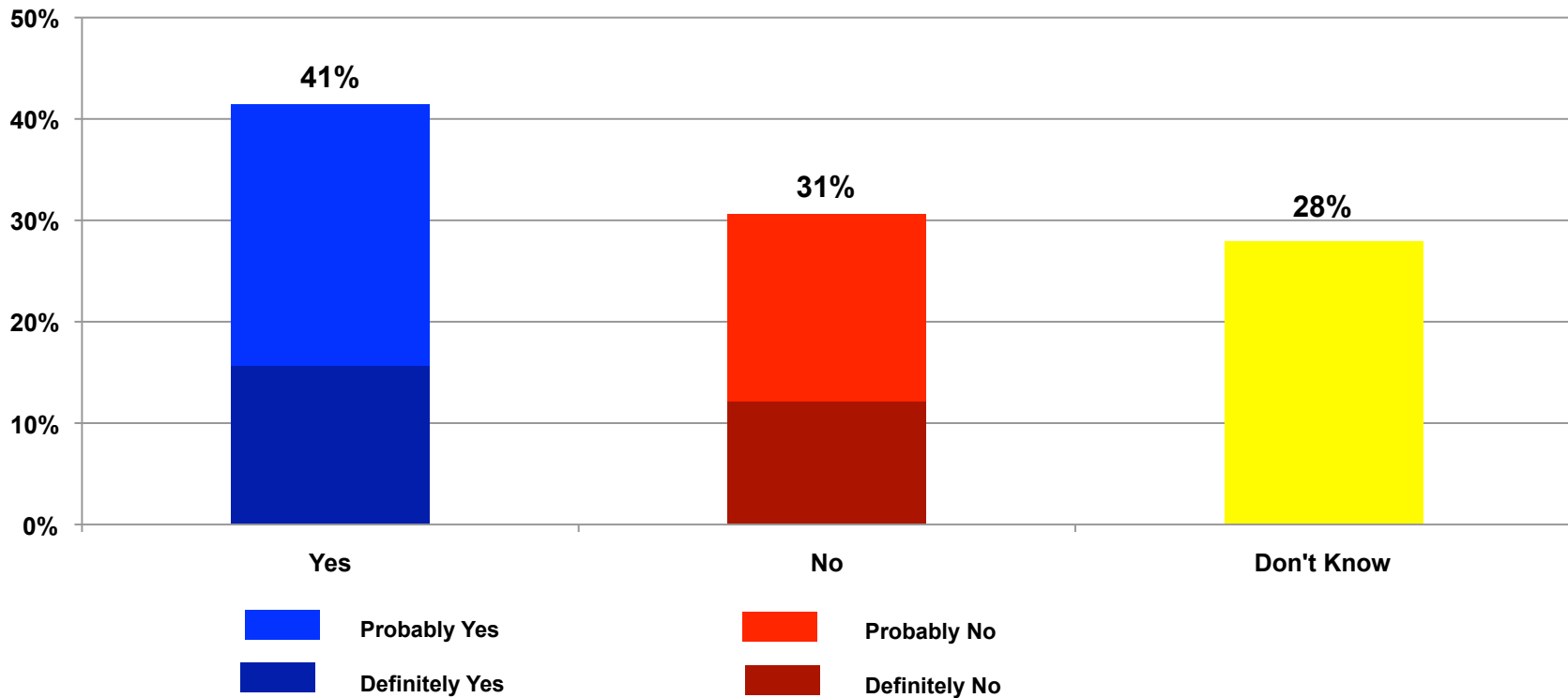
**[Top rated benefits]**



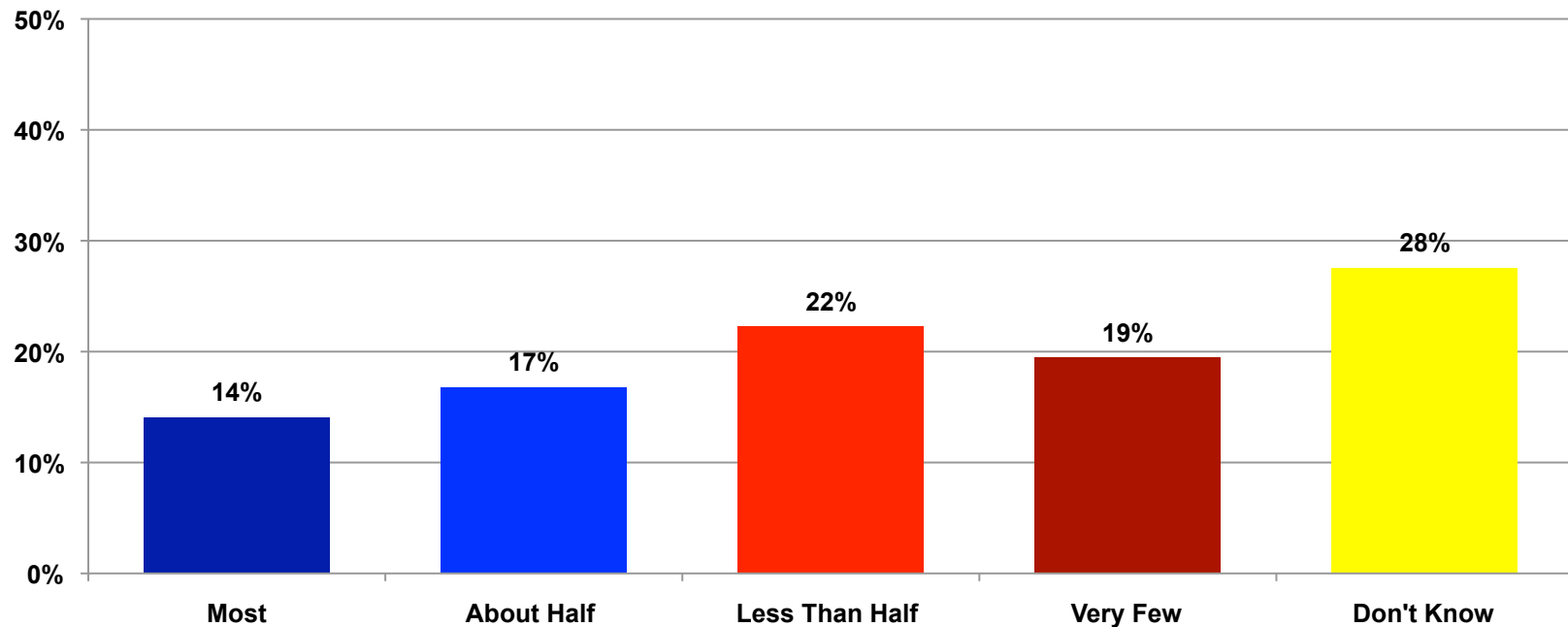
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# Views on Peace Negotiations

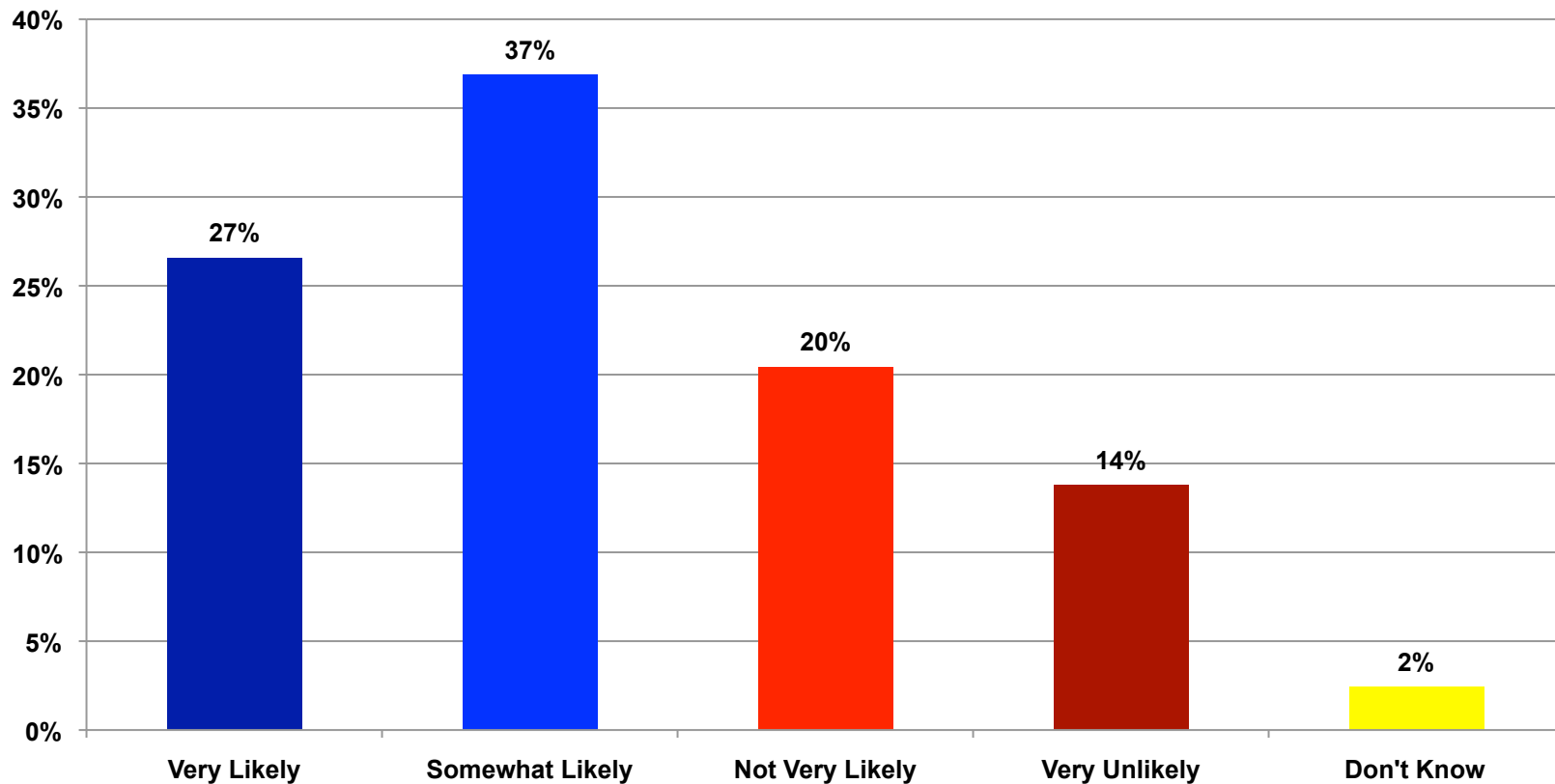
**“If the Israeli and Palestinian leadership signs a peace agreement to end the conflict, and agrees to divide Jerusalem between Israel and Palestine, do you think that some resistance groups will continue the armed struggle?”**



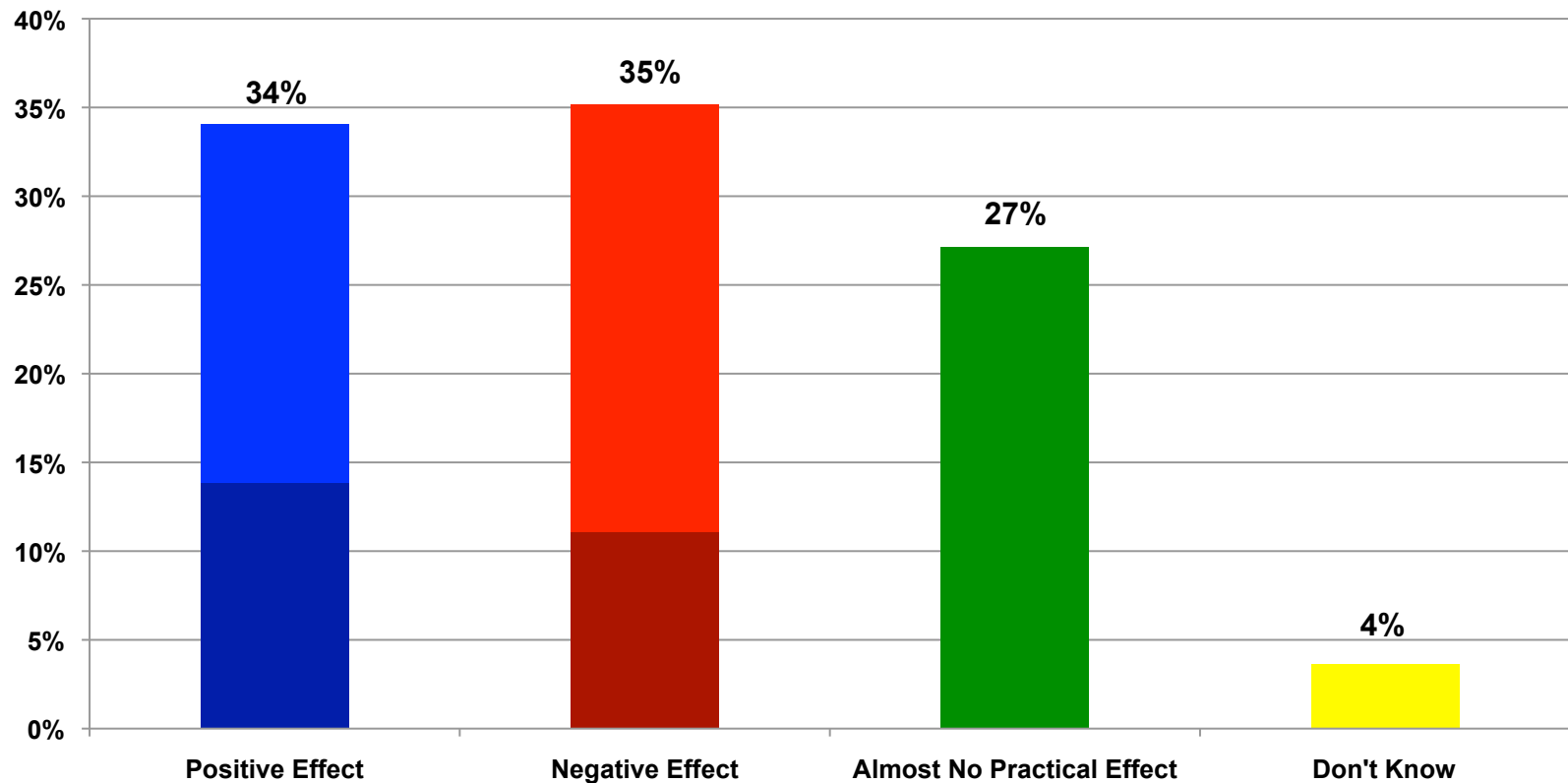
**“If some resistance groups continue the armed struggle after a peace agreement, do you think that people in your neighborhood will agree with the continuation of the armed struggle?”**



## “If the current negotiations collapse, how likely is a new intifada in East Jerusalem?”



**“If the current negotiations collapse, and the Palestinian Authority asks the United Nations to declare a Palestinian state without Israel’s agreement, what kind of a practical effect will this have on your life?”**





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