

# The EU - concerns and expectations of the Czechs in the run up to the European elections



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# Methodology profile

## Sample | Study design

Population-representative quota selection / online panel  
Part of an international comparative study in 11 countries:  
Czech Republic, Germany, France, Italy, Spain, Poland, Romania, Netherlands, Hungary,  
Sweden, Slovakia

## Basic population

Eligible voters from 18 years

## Number of cases

1.012 Respondents in the Czech Republic

## Survey period

22.11.2018 - 30.11.2018

## Executive Institut

pmg – policy matters  
Gesellschaft für Politikforschung und Politikberatung

## Your contact

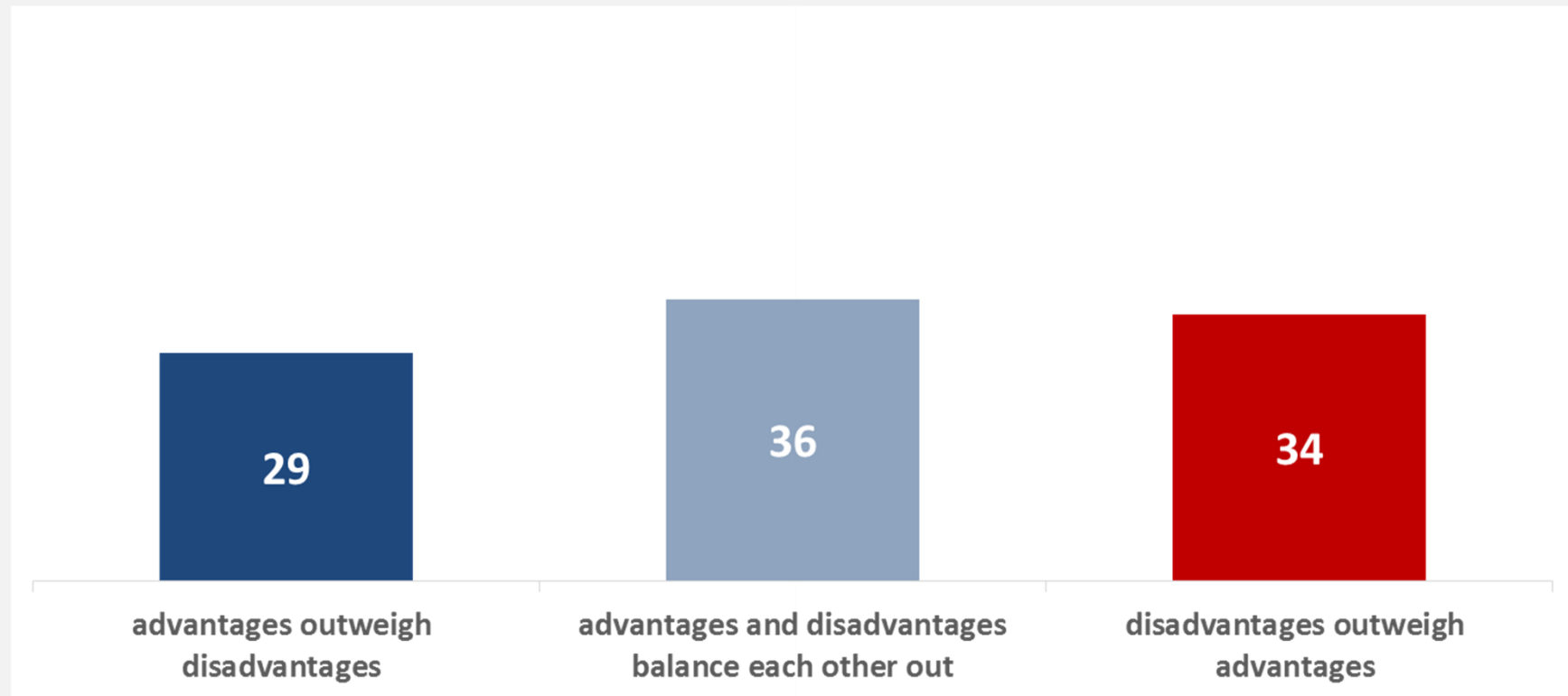
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# Basic attitudes towards the EU in the Czech Republic

Advantages / disadvantages of the EU membership of the Czech Republic

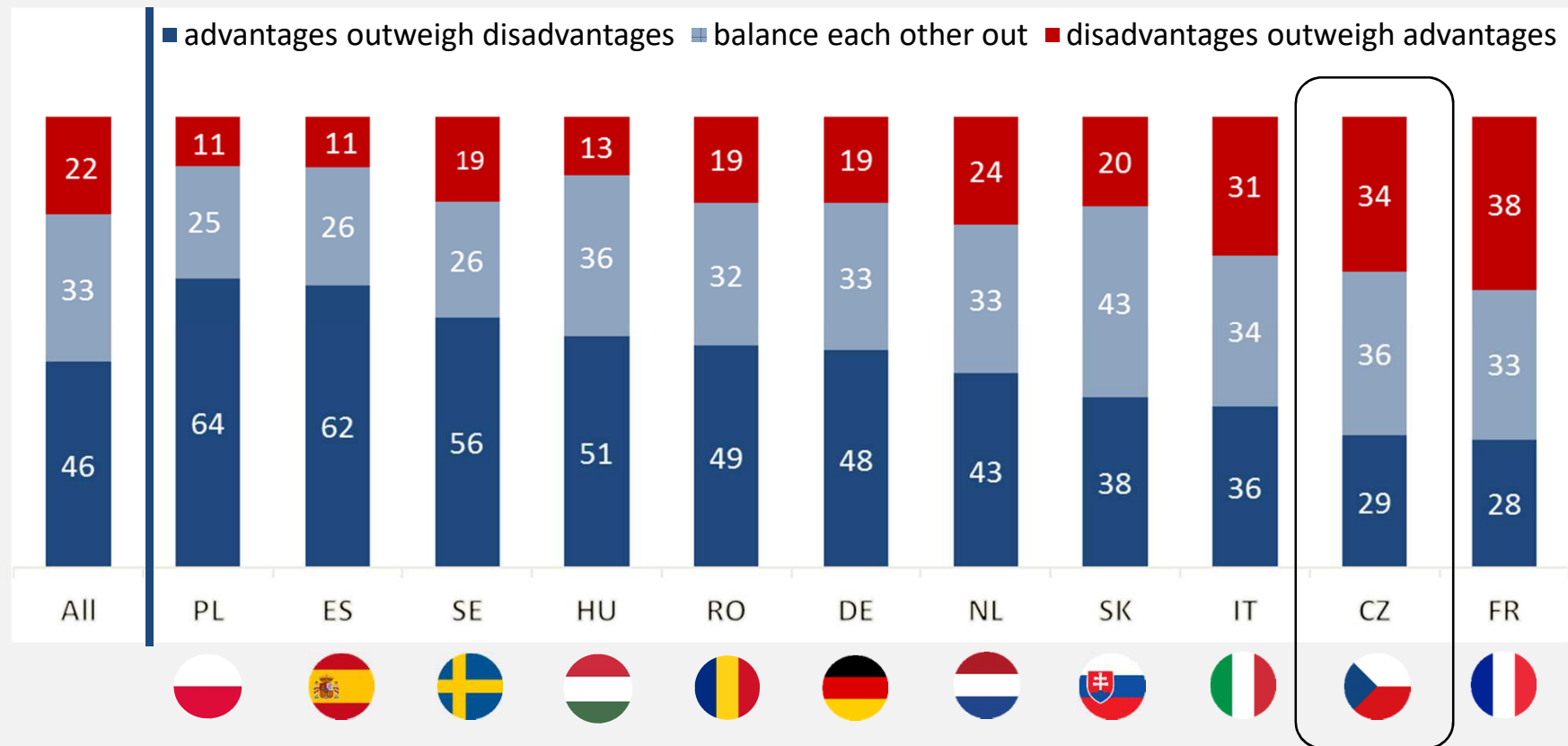


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Basic population: eligible voters from 18 years in the Czech Republic

# Basic attitudes towards the EU: country comparison



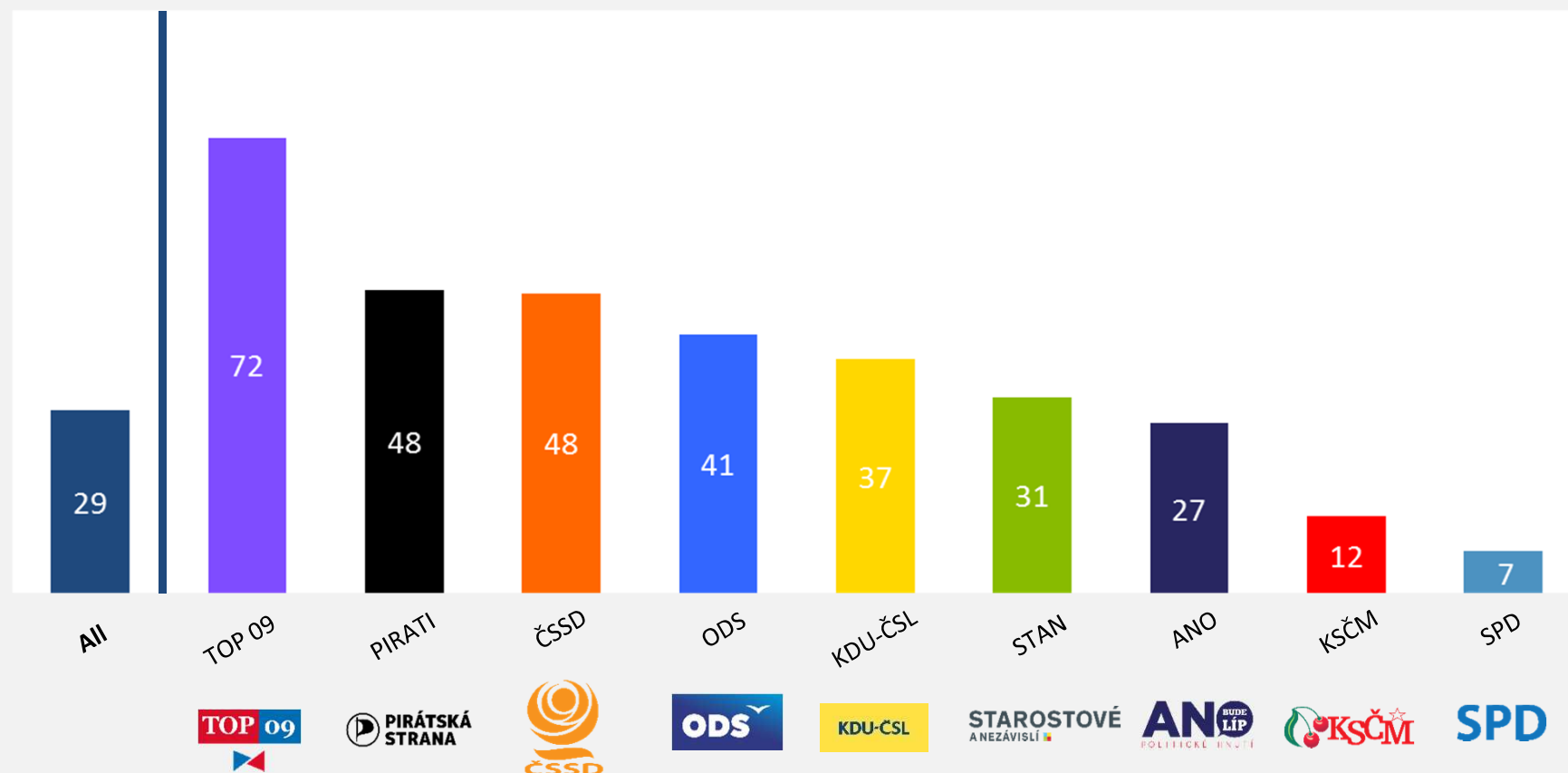
Advantages / disadvantages of EU membership of own country



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# Basic attitudes towards the EU

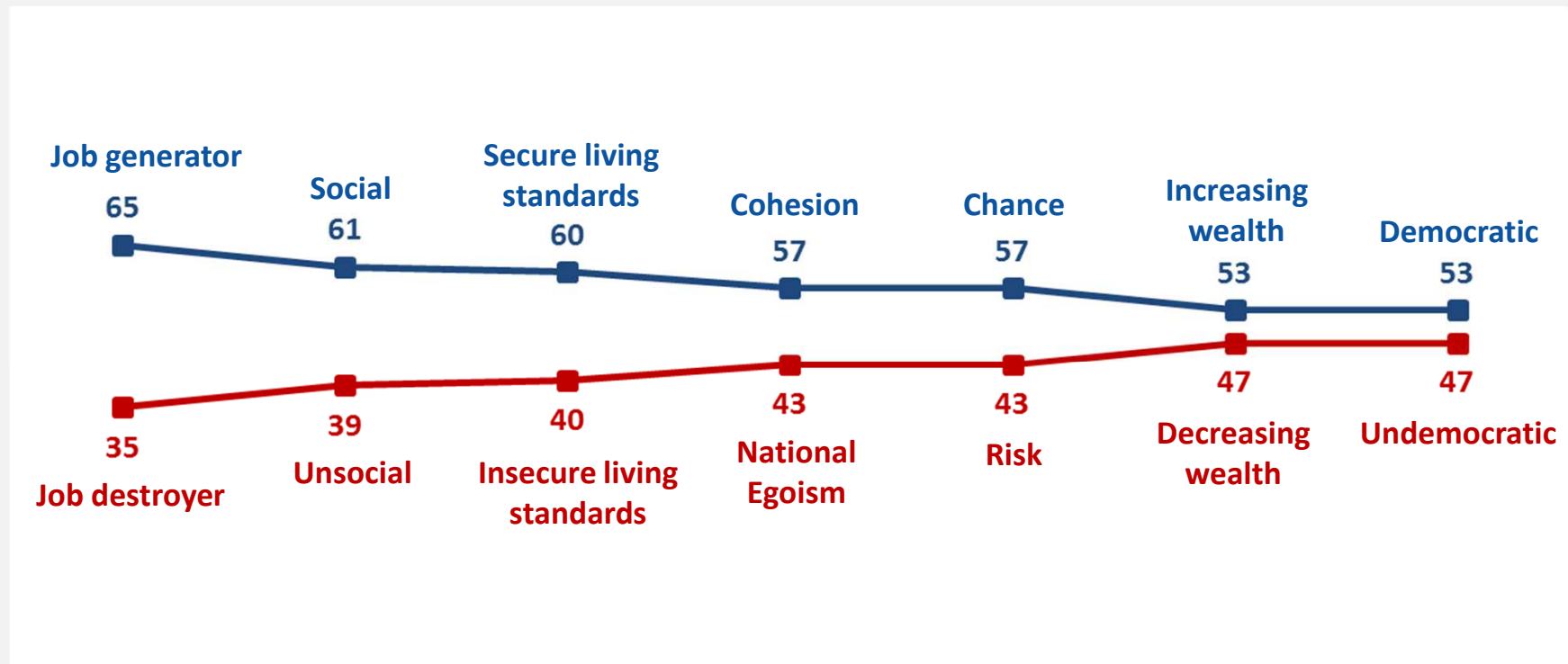
Advantages of the Czech Republic's EU membership – according to party preference



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# Associations with the EU I

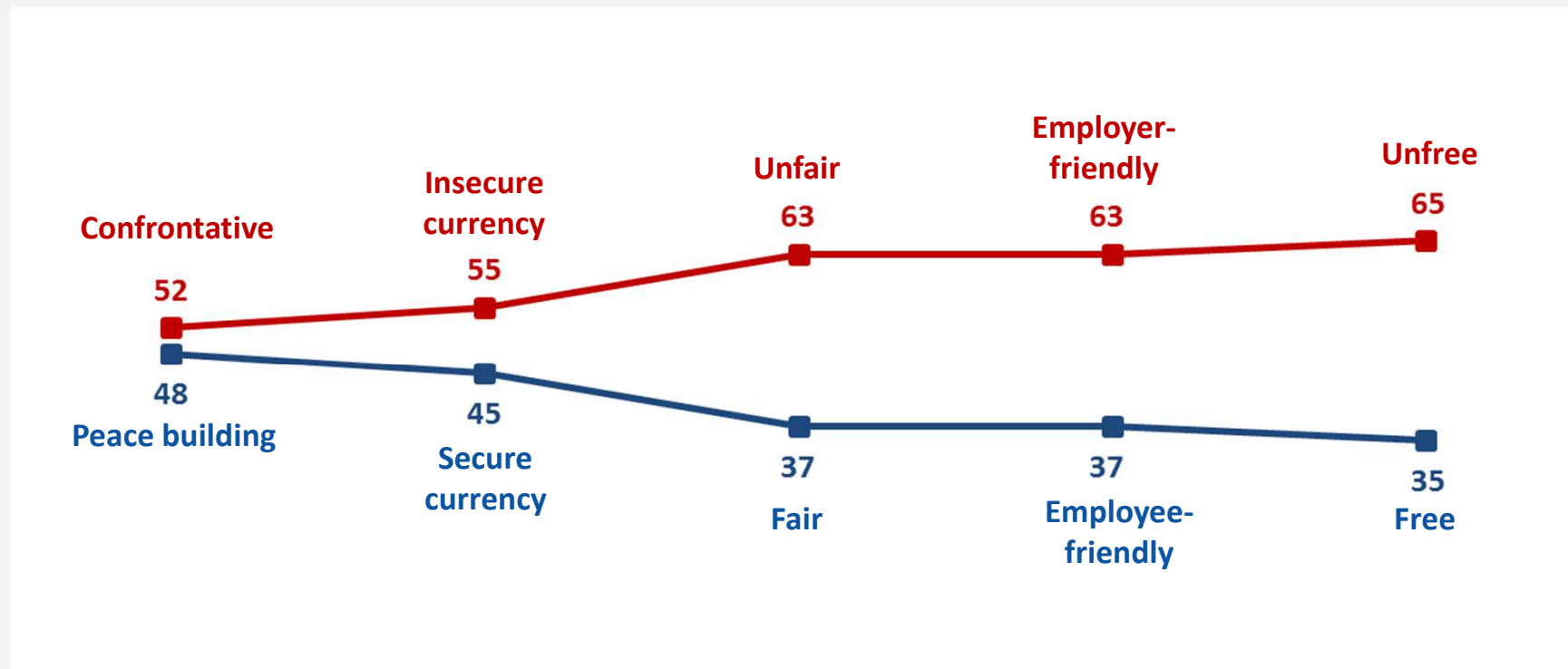
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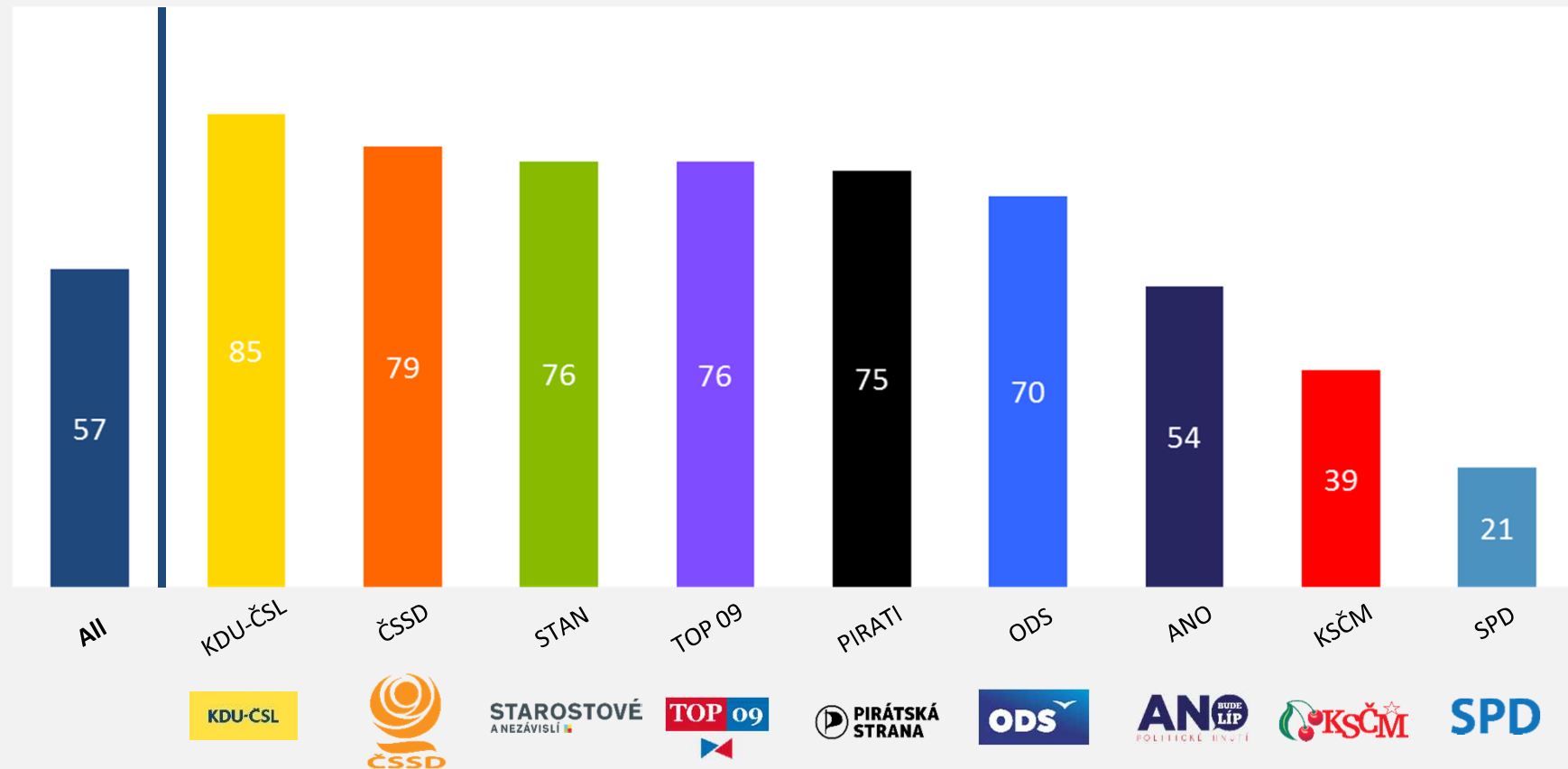


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# Associations with the EU: party preferences

Chance

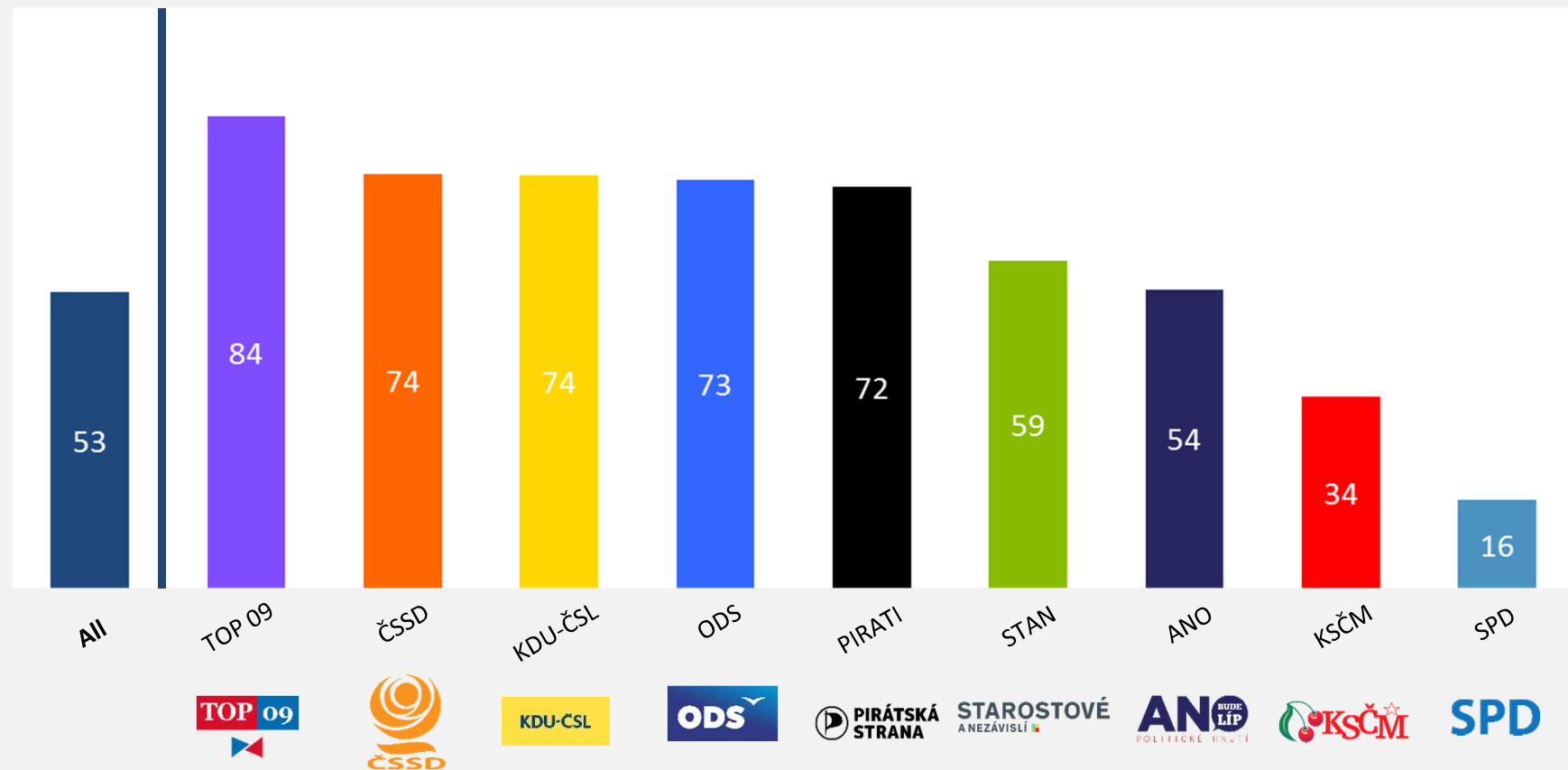


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# Associations with the EU: party preferences



Increasing wealth

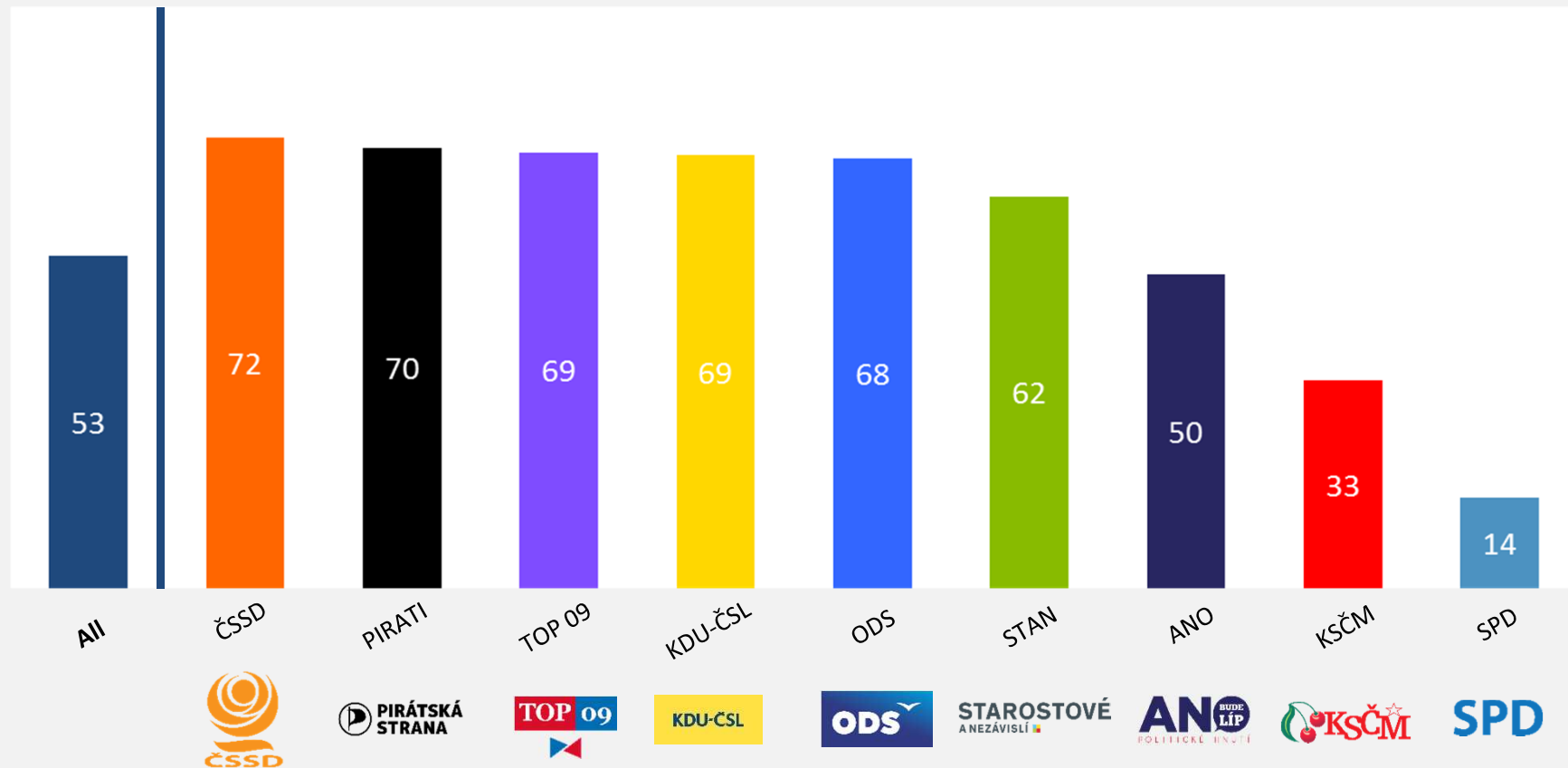


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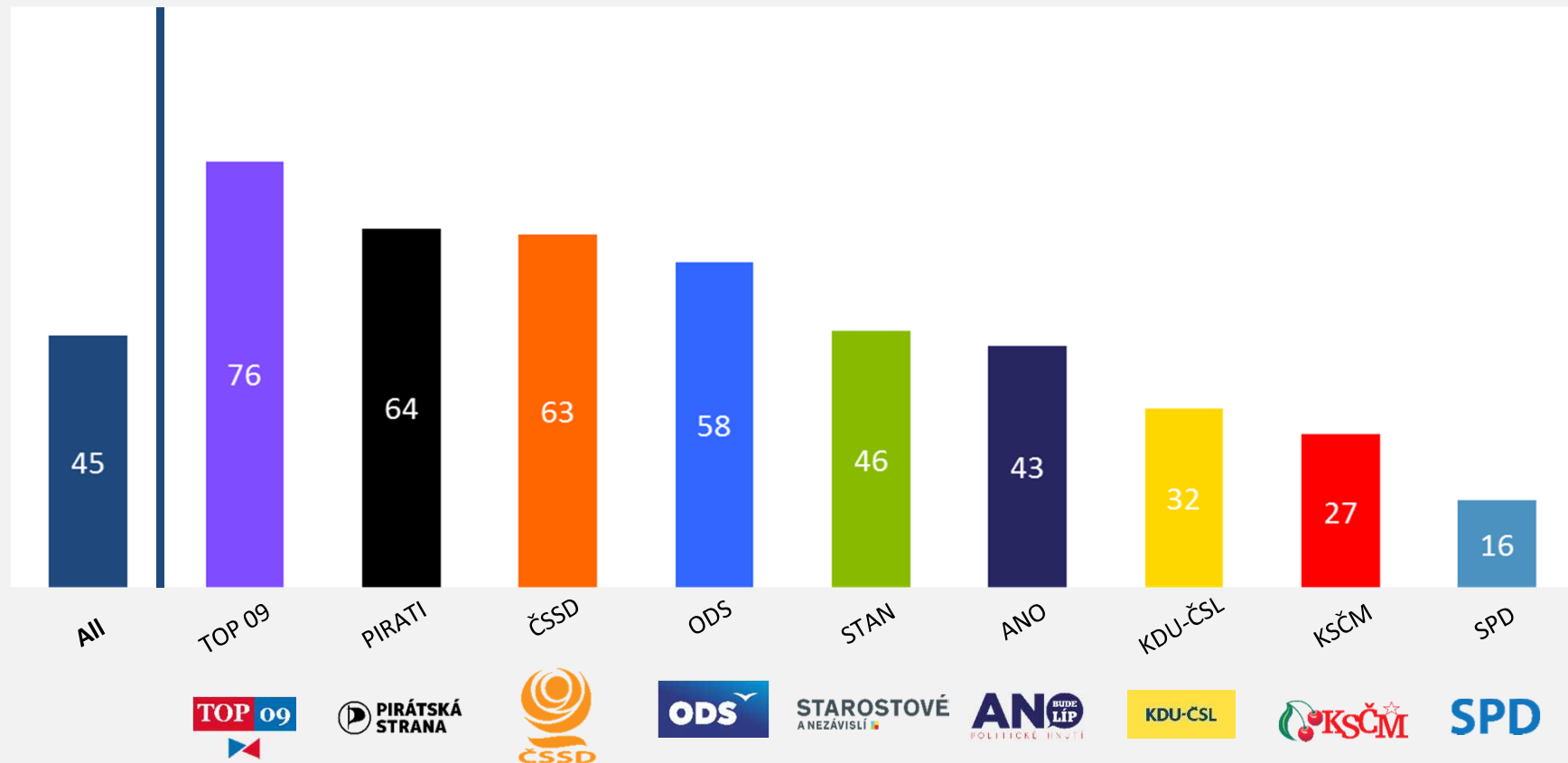
Democratic



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# Associations with the EU: party preferences

Secure currency

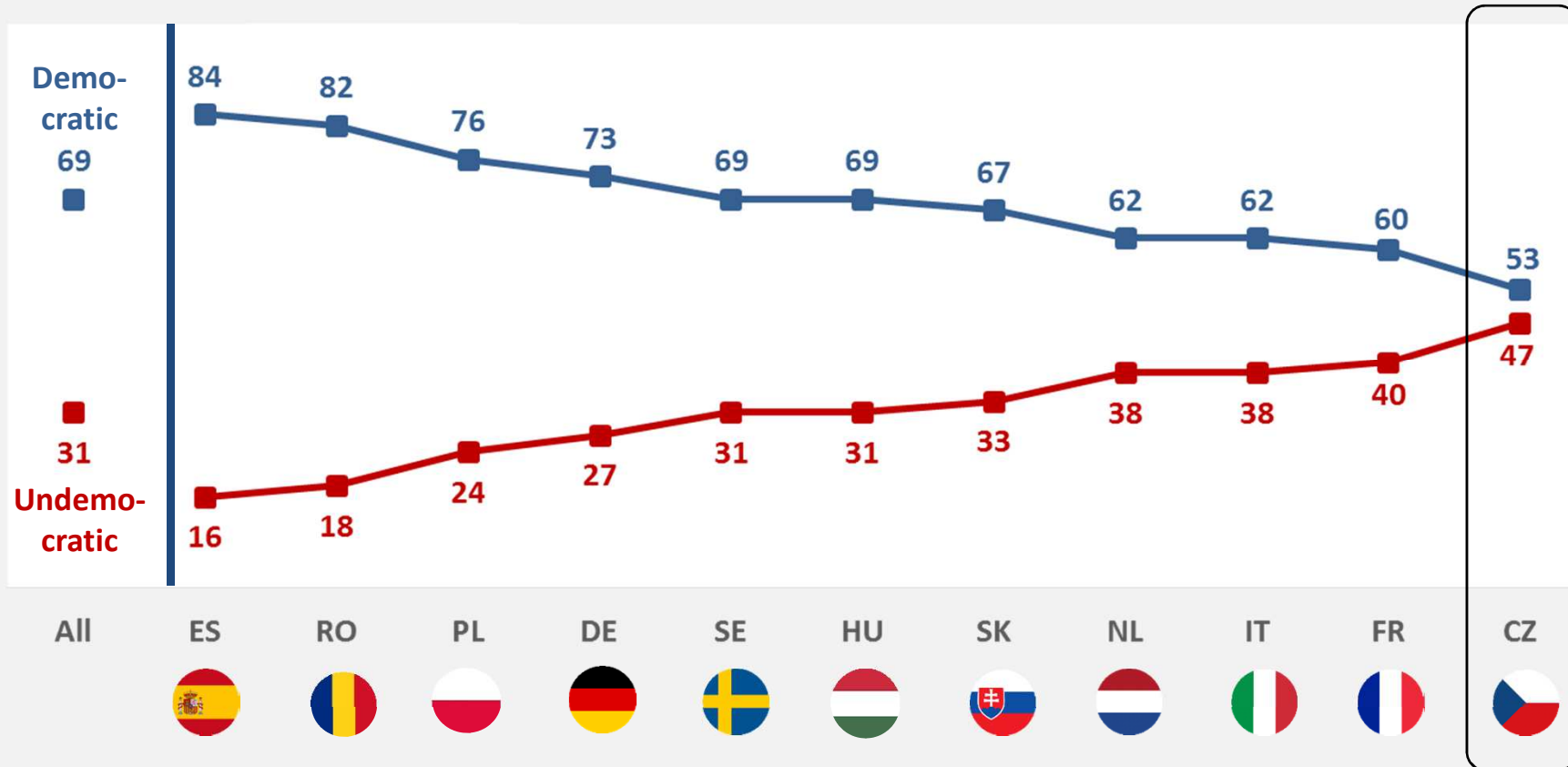


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# Associations with the EU: country comparisons



Democratic vs. undemocratic

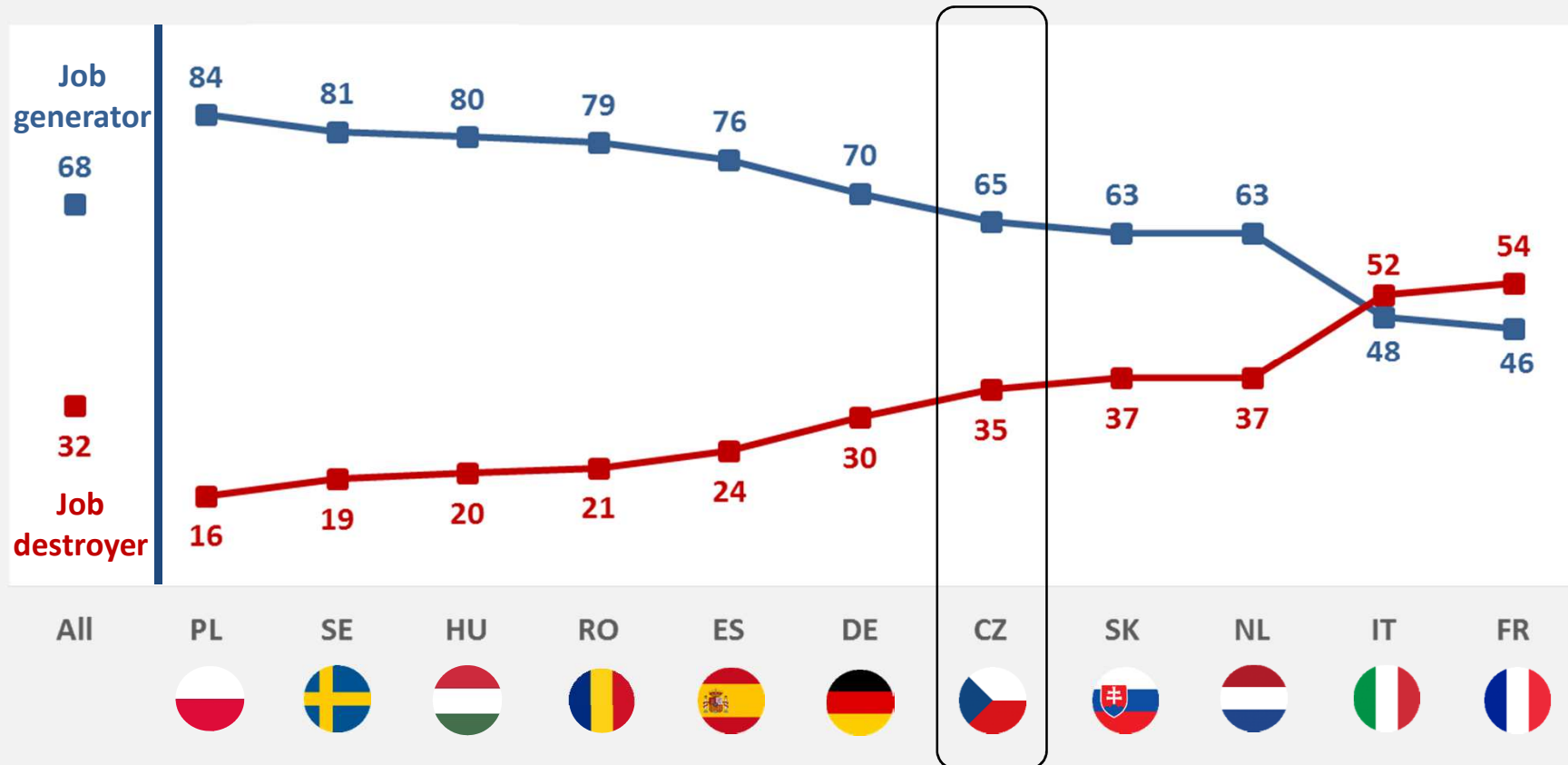


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# Associations with the EU: country comparisons



Job generator vs. job destroyer

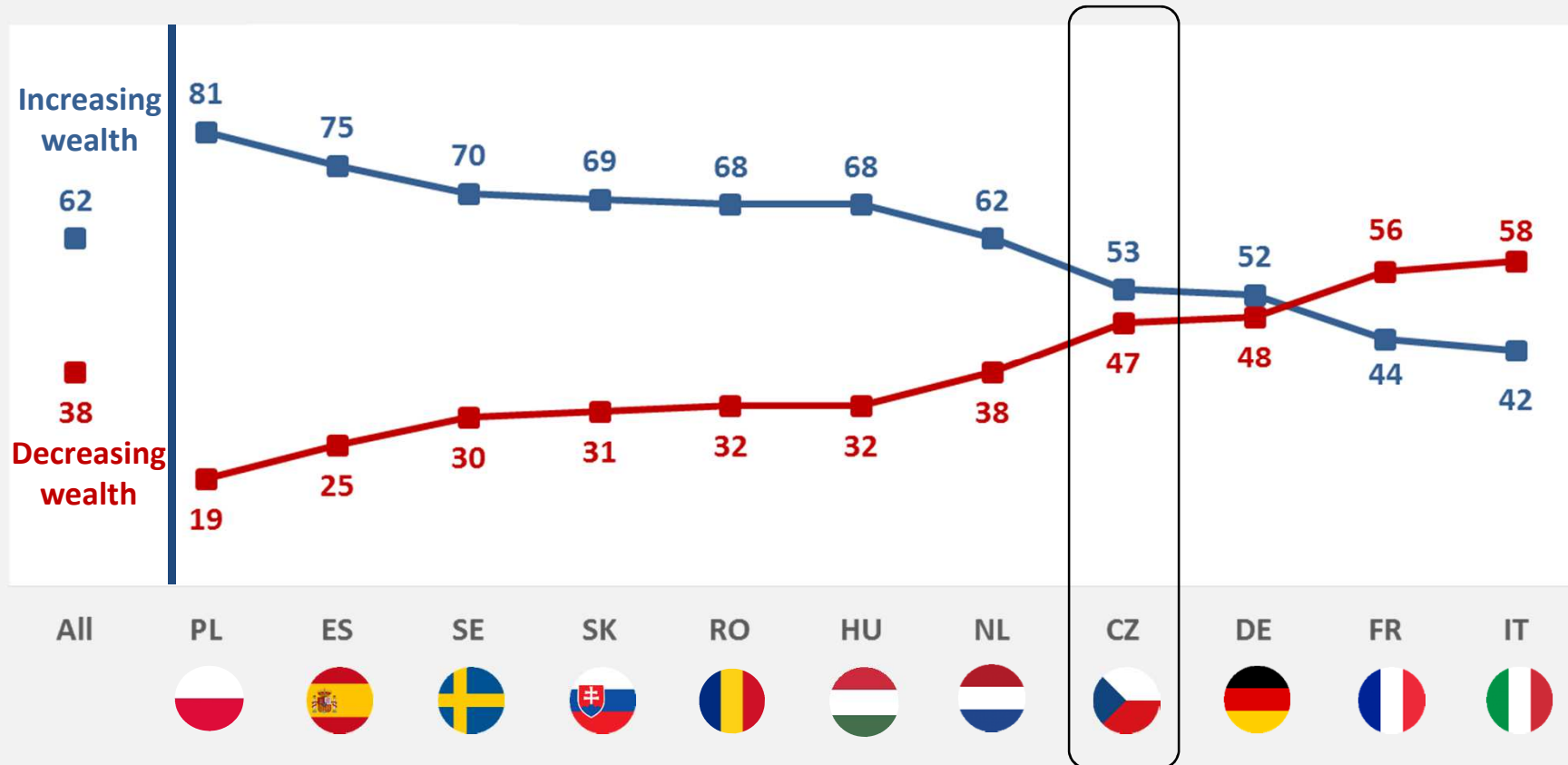


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# Associations with the EU: country comparisons



Increasing vs. decreasing wealth



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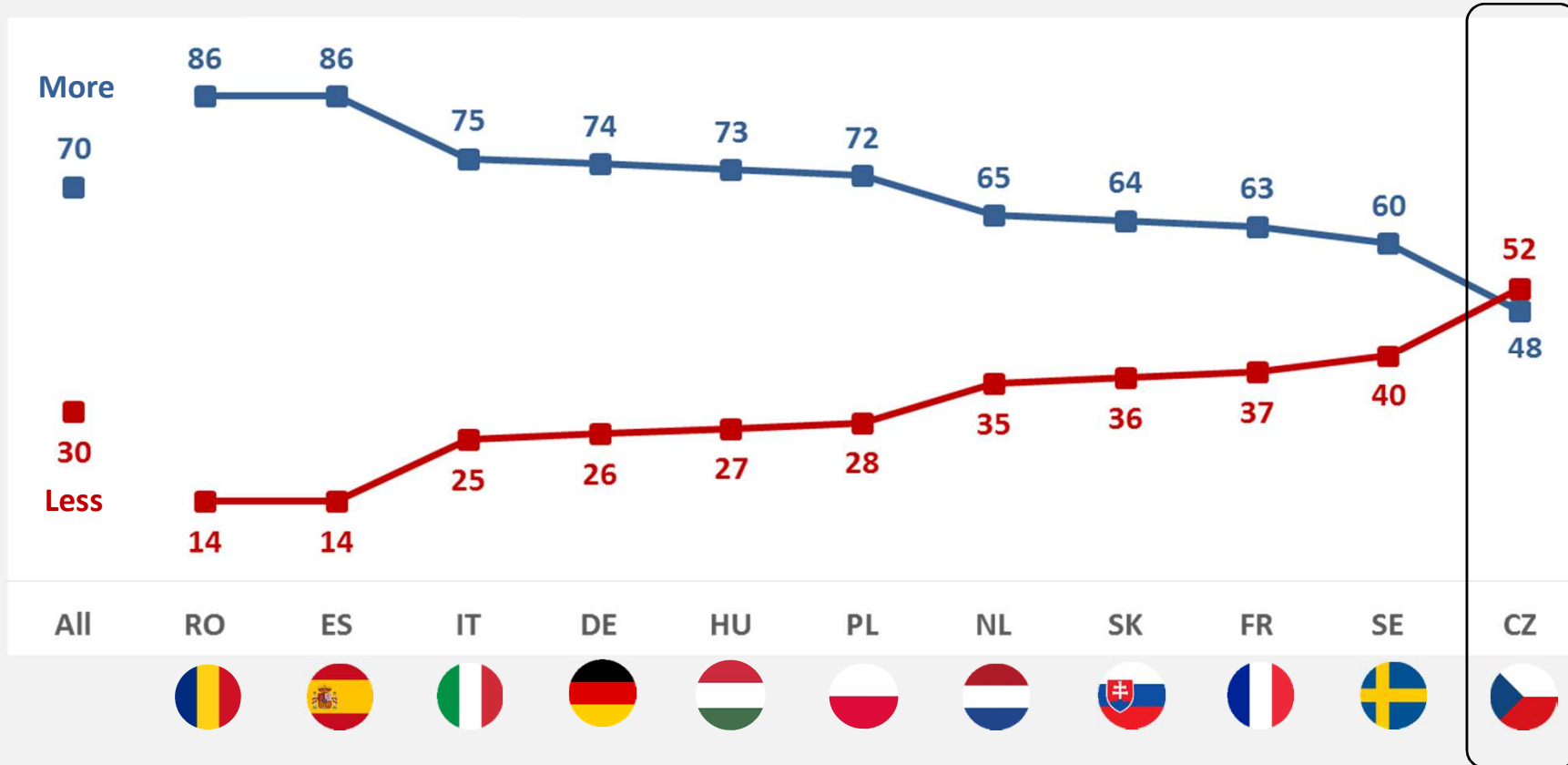
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# Associations with the EU: country comparisons



More vs. less political cooperation

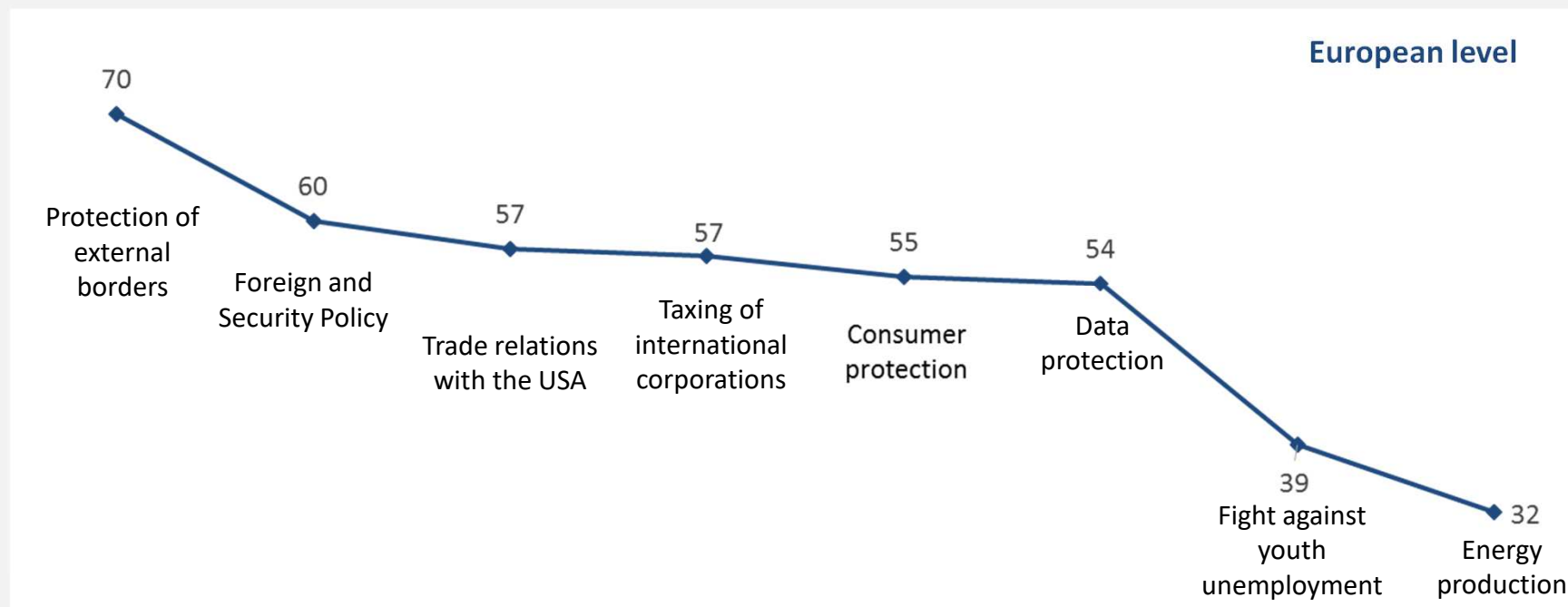


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# Policies: European jurisdiction



Policies that should be handled at European level

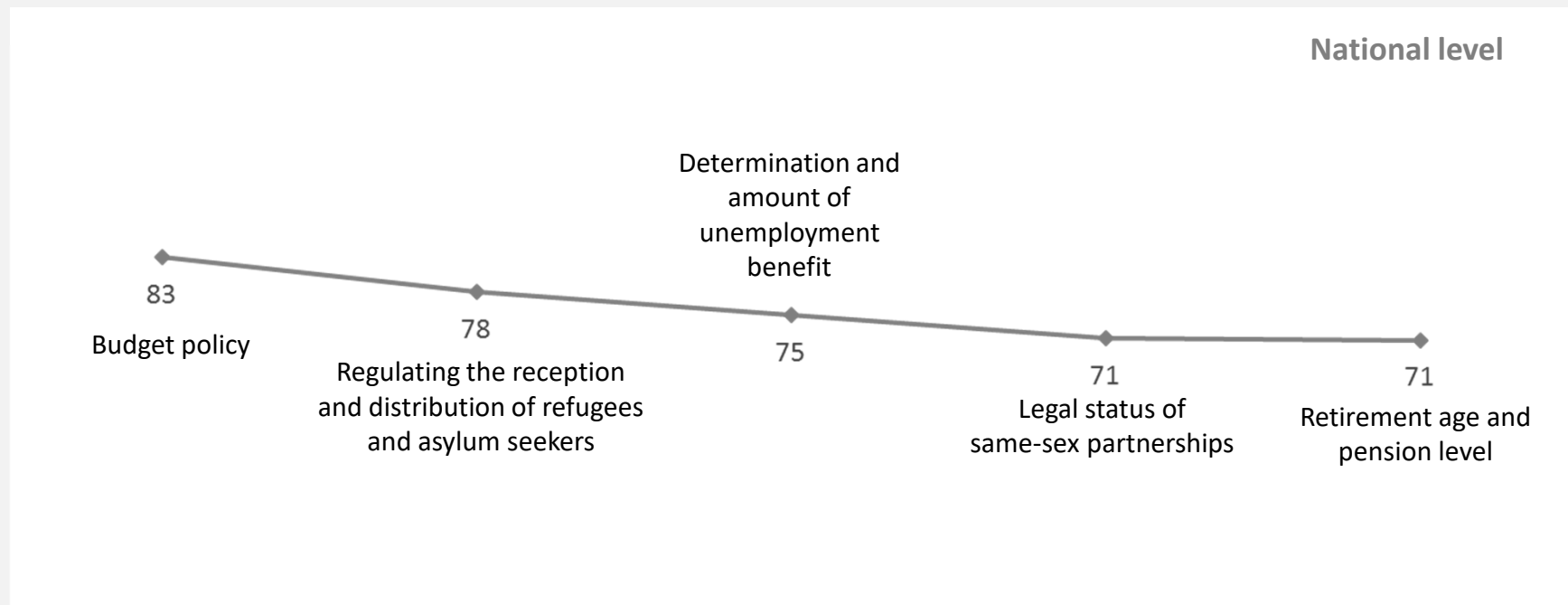


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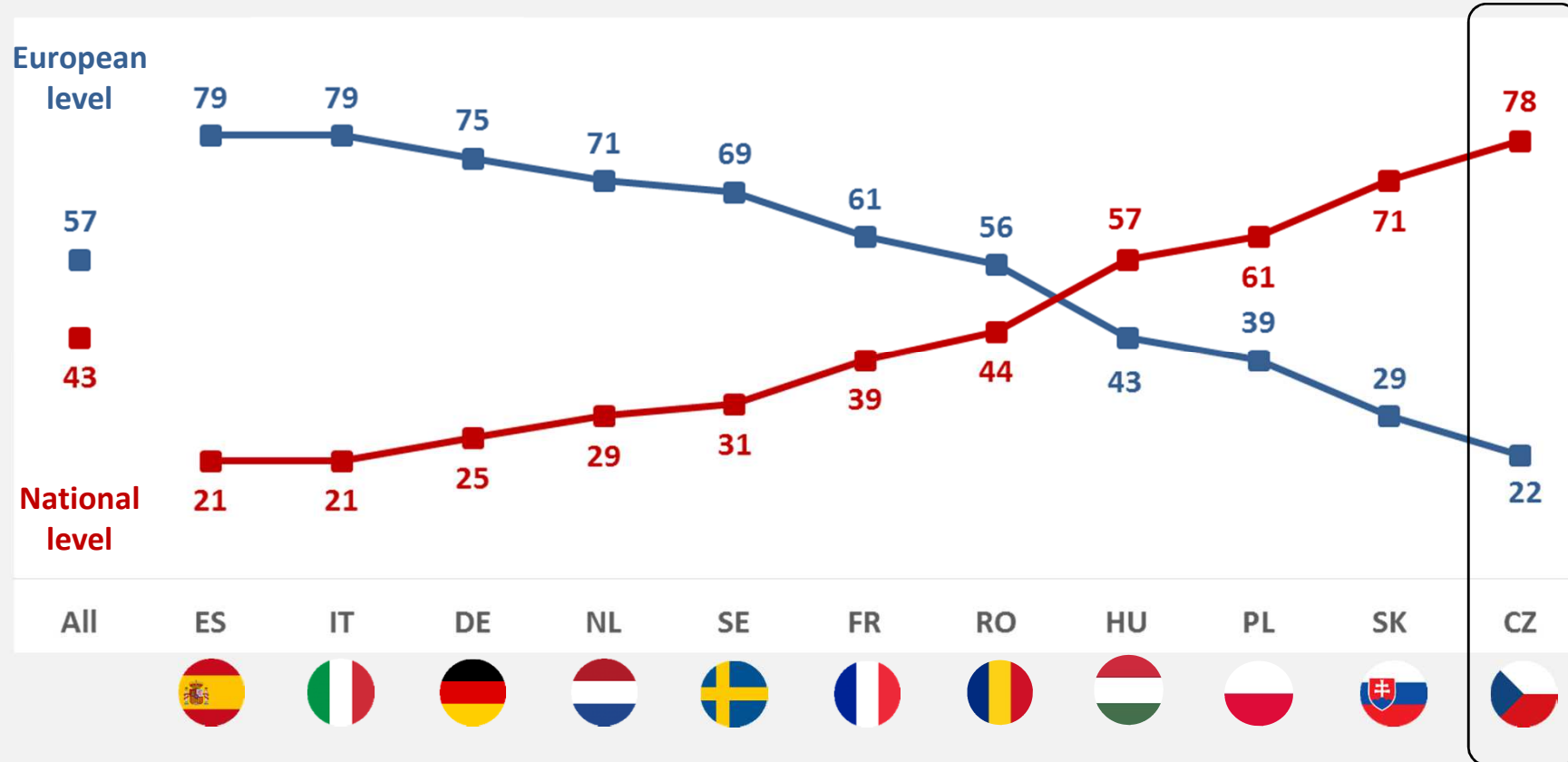


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# Associations with the EU: country comparisons



Regulating the reception and distribution of refugees and asylum seekers

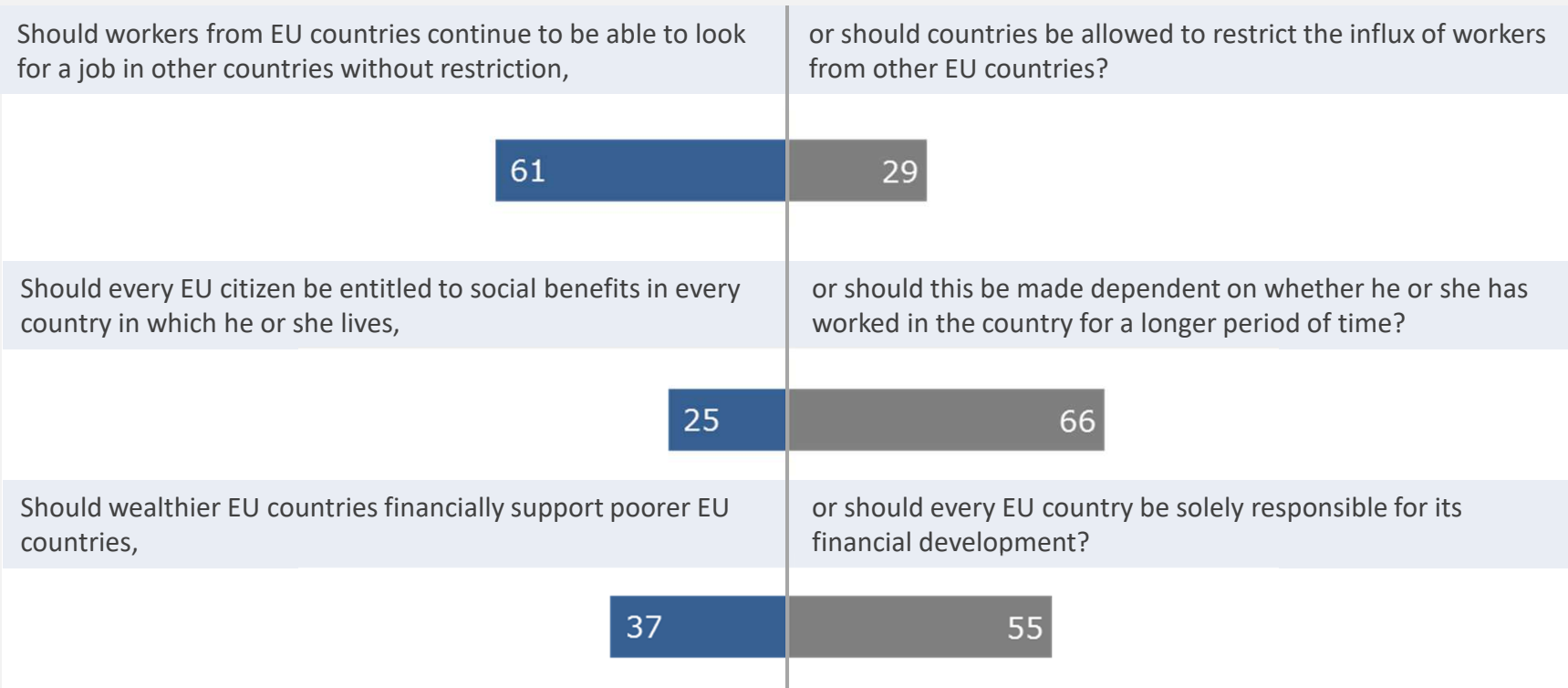


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# Basic questions of European integration



Free movement of workers, right to social benefits and transfer union

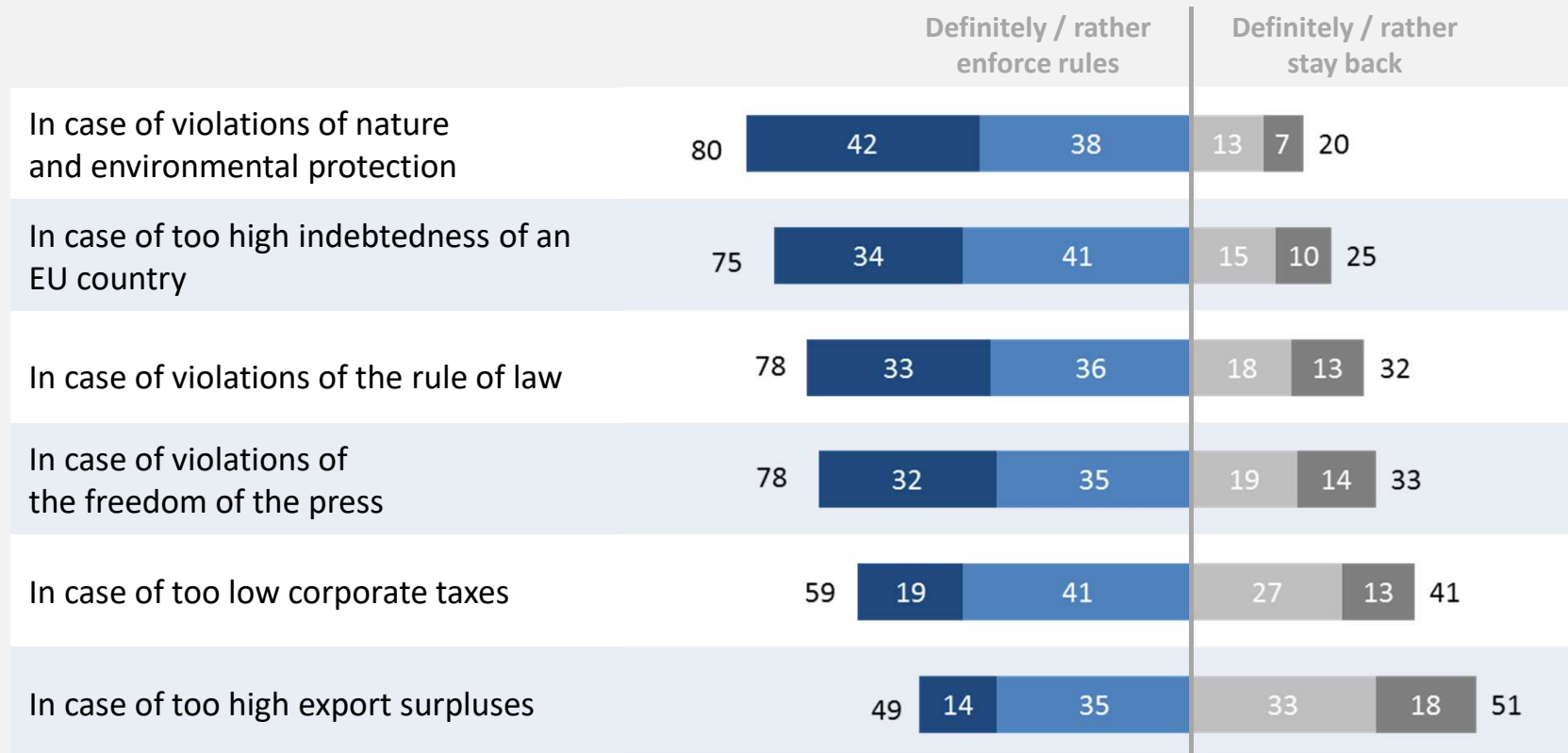


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# Rule enforcement by the European Union



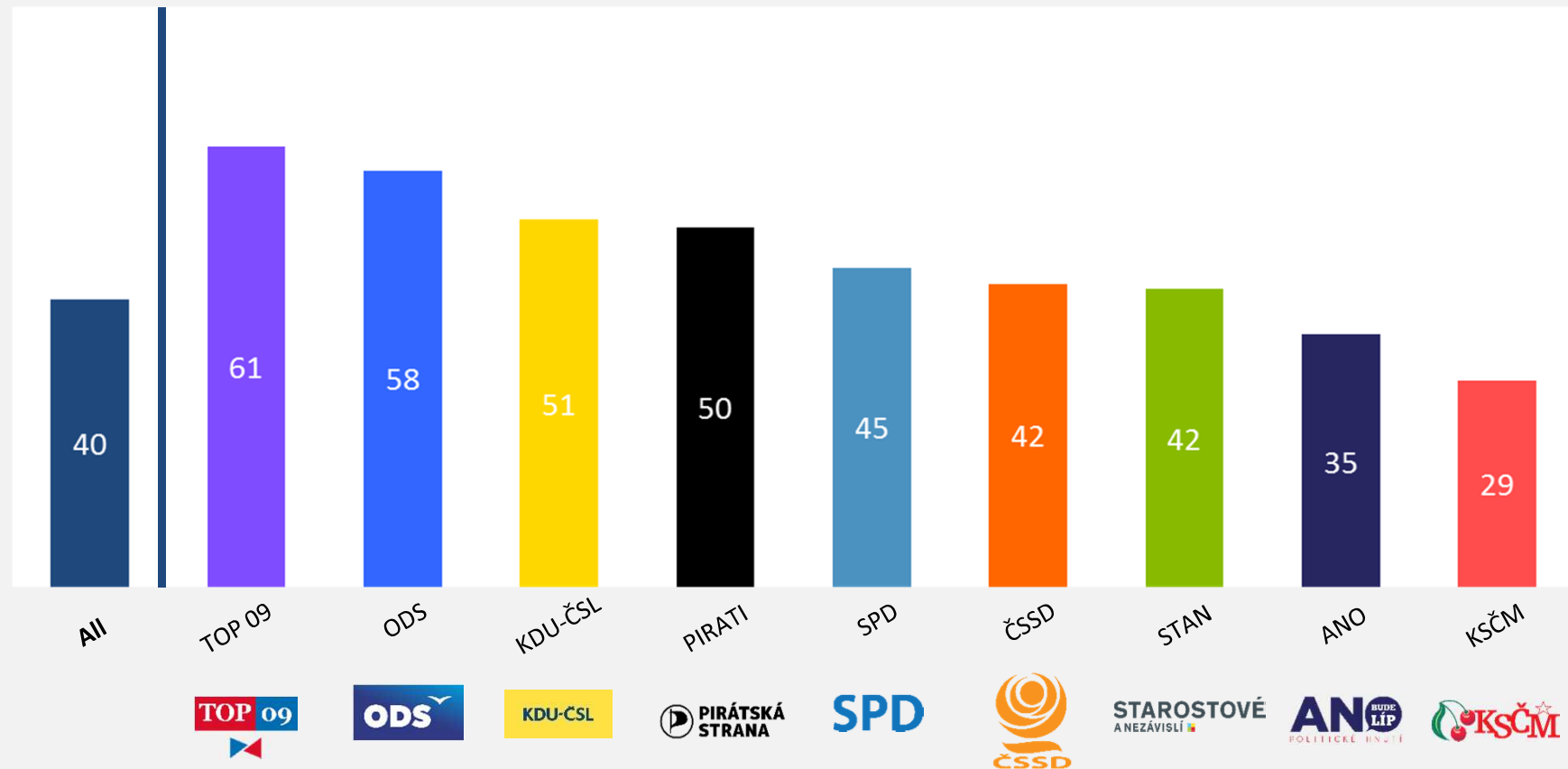
Intervention by the EU...



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# Significance of the European elections

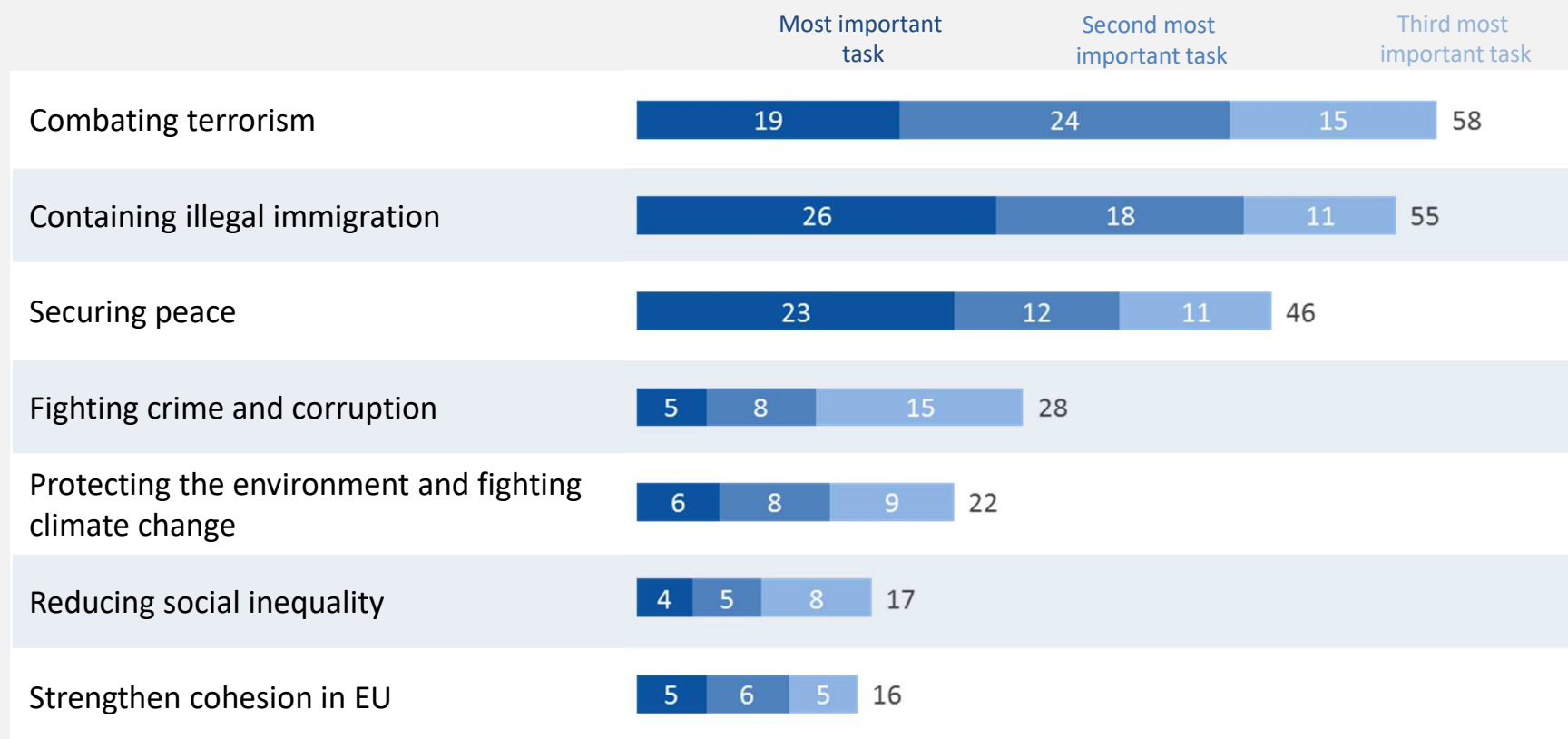
What significance do you personally attach to the European elections in May?  
According to party preference (Very big / big significance)



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# Most important tasks of the EU

Tasks of the EU from the point of view of the Czechs

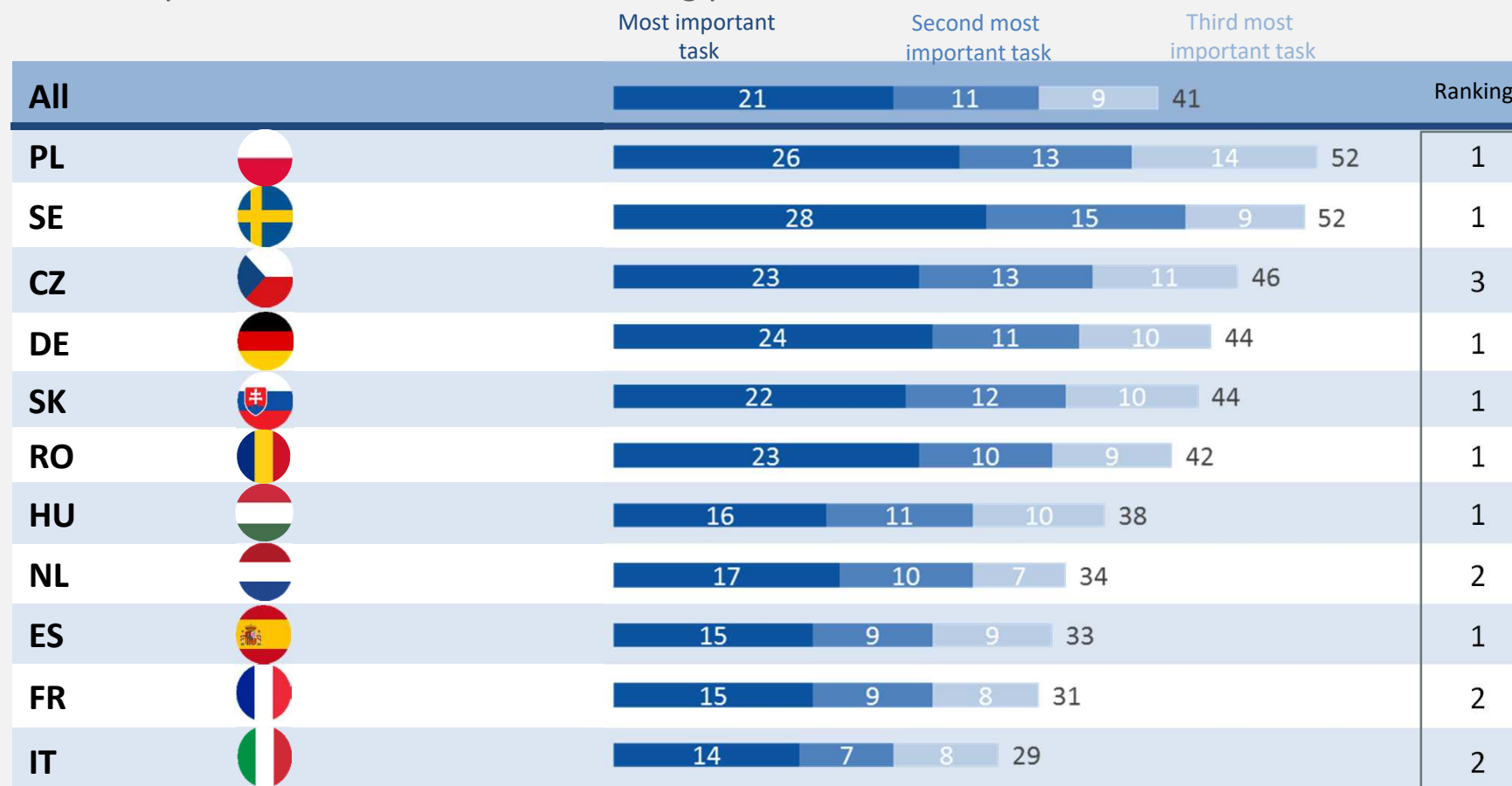


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# Most important tasks of the EU

## Most important tasks of the EU: *Securing peace*



Numbers in percent | Multiple answers

Differences between calculated sums and sums of individual results are due to rounding

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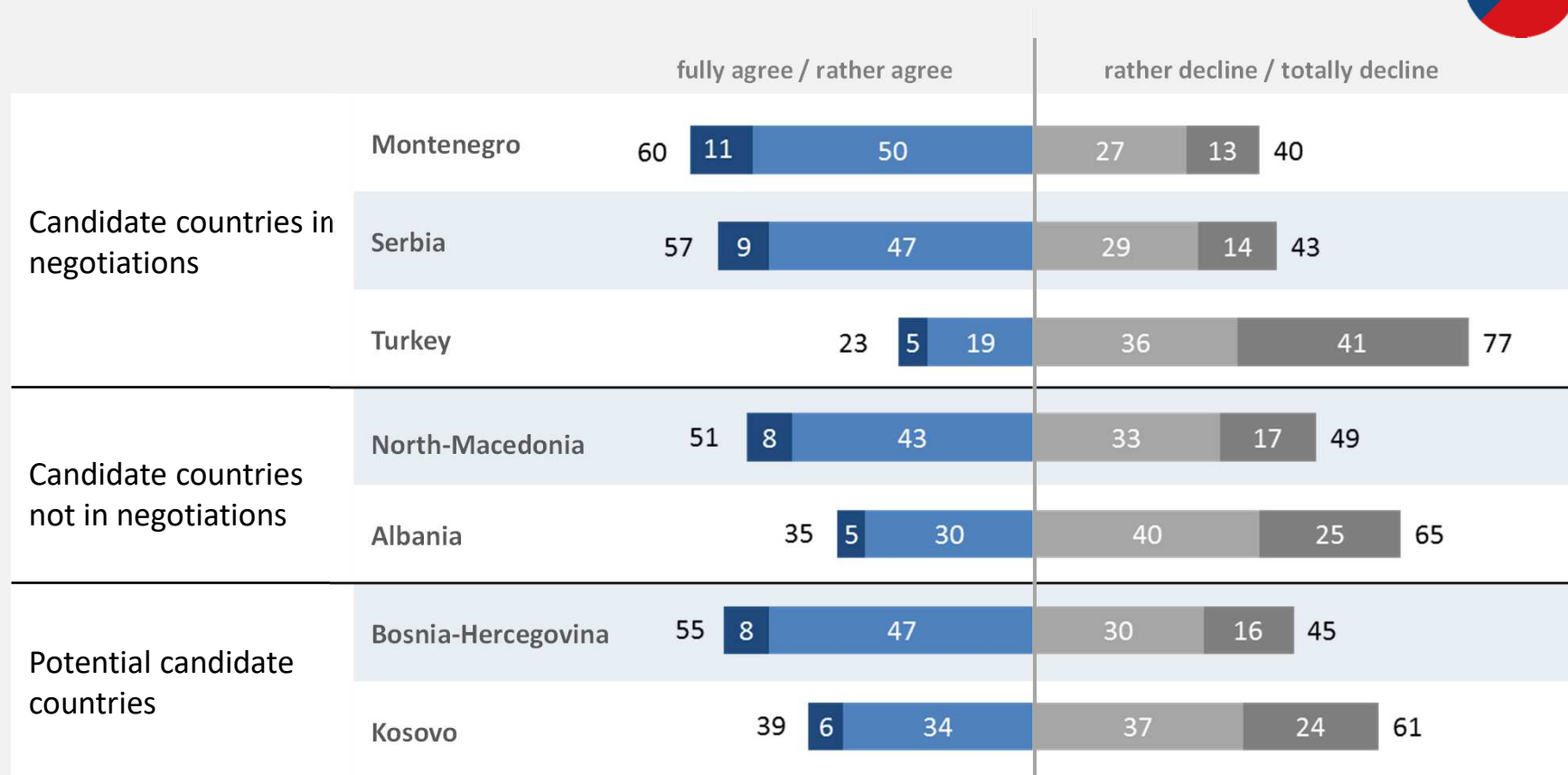
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# Bi- and multilateral relations

## Approval of EU enlargement according to candidate countries



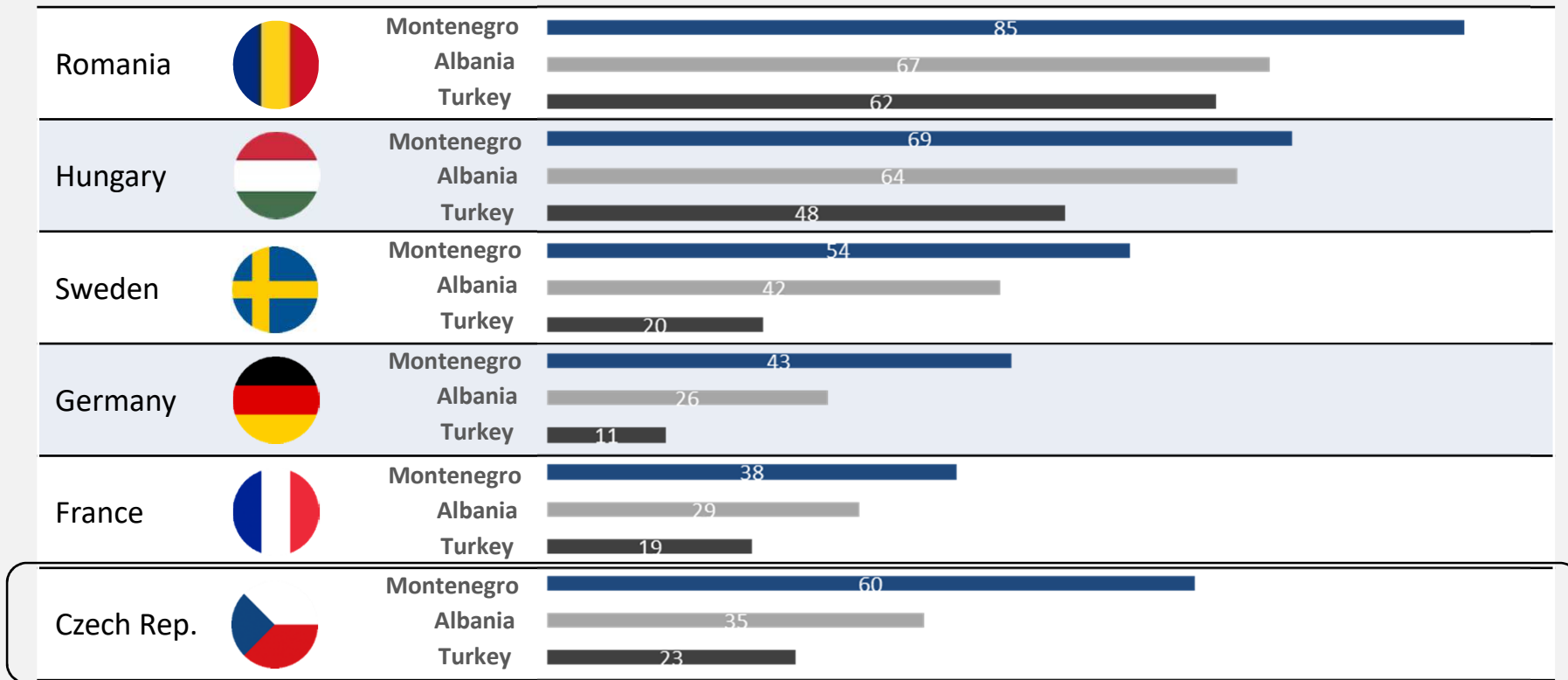
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# Bi- and multilateral relations



## Approval of EU enlargement according to member countries

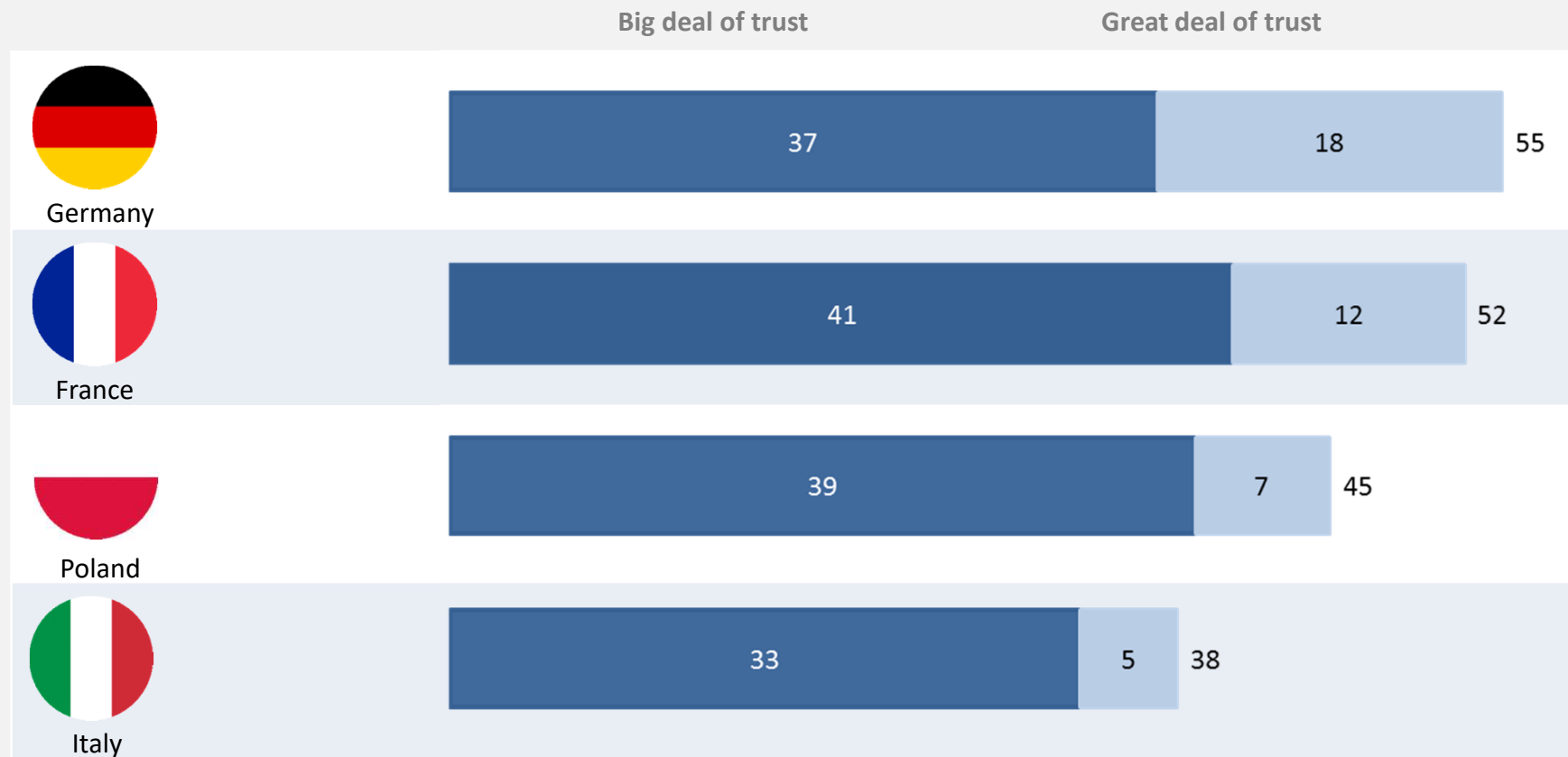
Fully agree / rather agree



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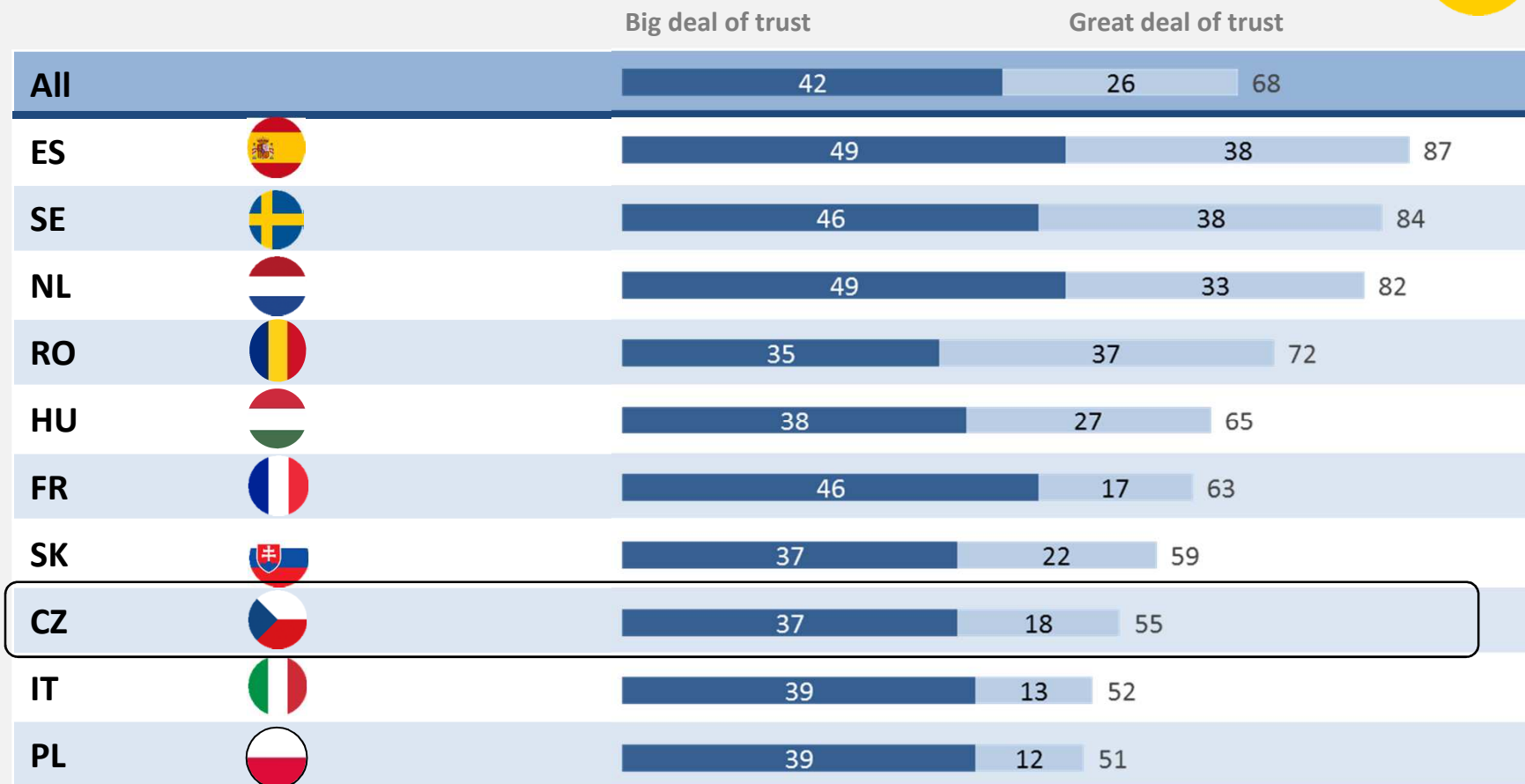
## Trust in member states



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# Bi- and multilateral relations

## Trust in Germany



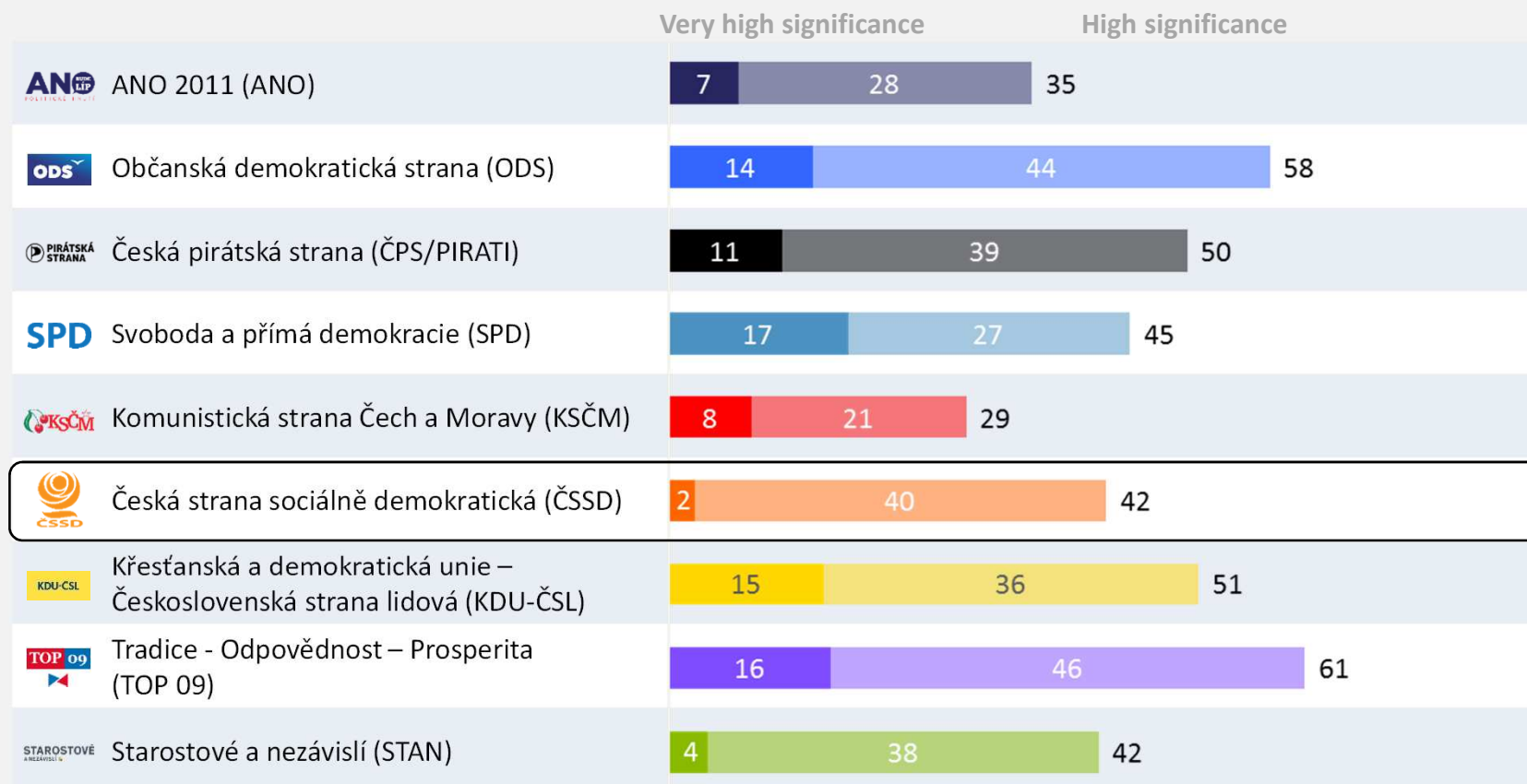
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# Significance of the European elections

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According to party preference



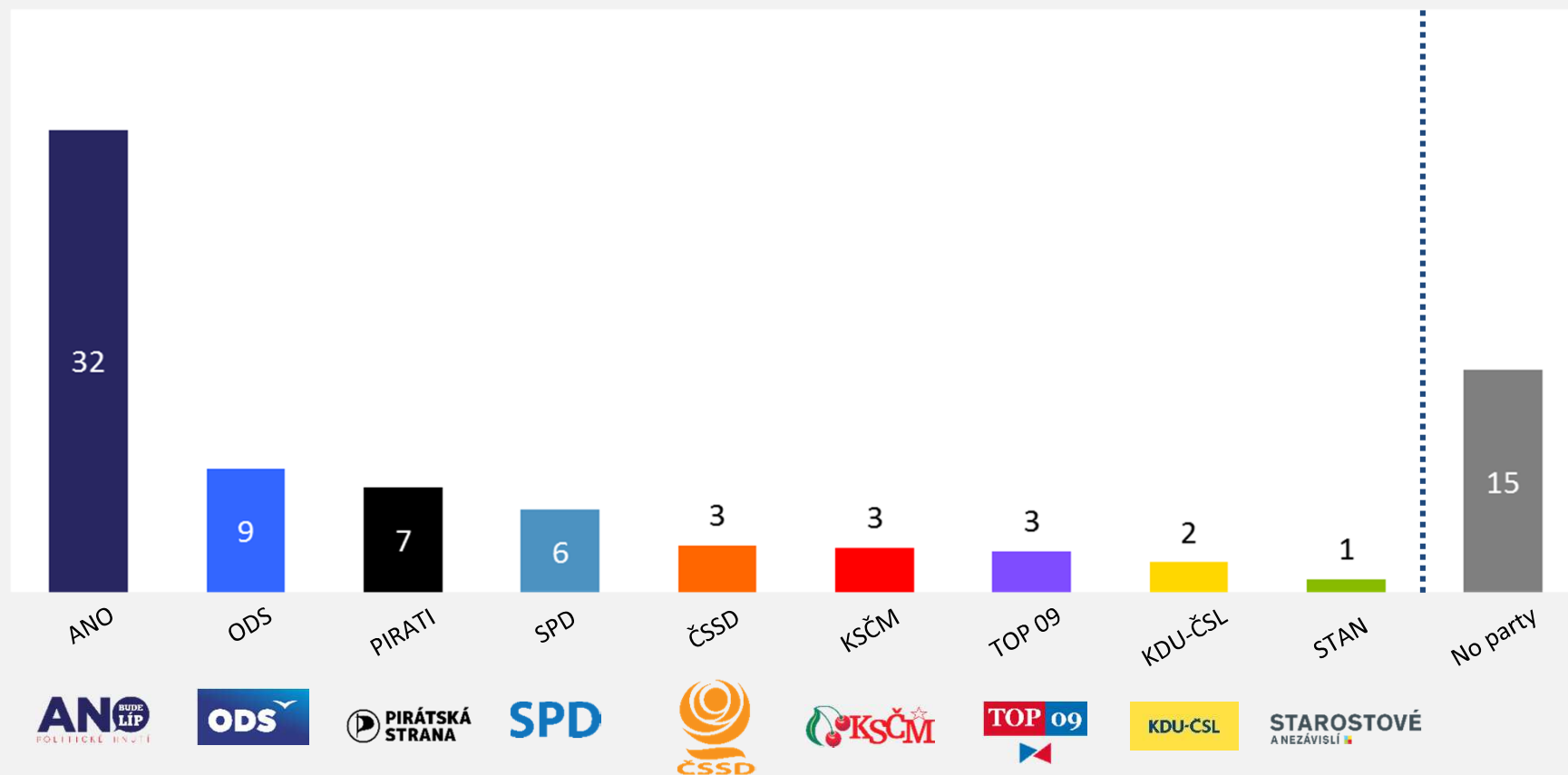
Numbers in percent

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# Party preferences of European politics

Competence: Representing the interests of one's own country in the EU



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# Party preferences

Which party do you trust most to tackle the topic as good as possible?

	ANO	ODS	ČPS/ PIRATI	SPD	KSČM	ČSSD	KDU-ČSL	TOP 09	STAN
Advance the economy	41	11	6	3	3	3	1	3	2
Run an good refugee policy	32	7	8	14	4	2	2	2	2
Securing jobs and creating new ones	31	8	6	5	6	6	1	2	3
Strengthen employee rights	25	7	8	6	7	9	2	2	2
Protect citizens against crime	25	9	10	10	5	3	2	1	2
Ensure social justice	24	6	10	6	8	12	5	1	2

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**Thank you for your attention!**