



LINK: Survey on the War in Ukraine 2022

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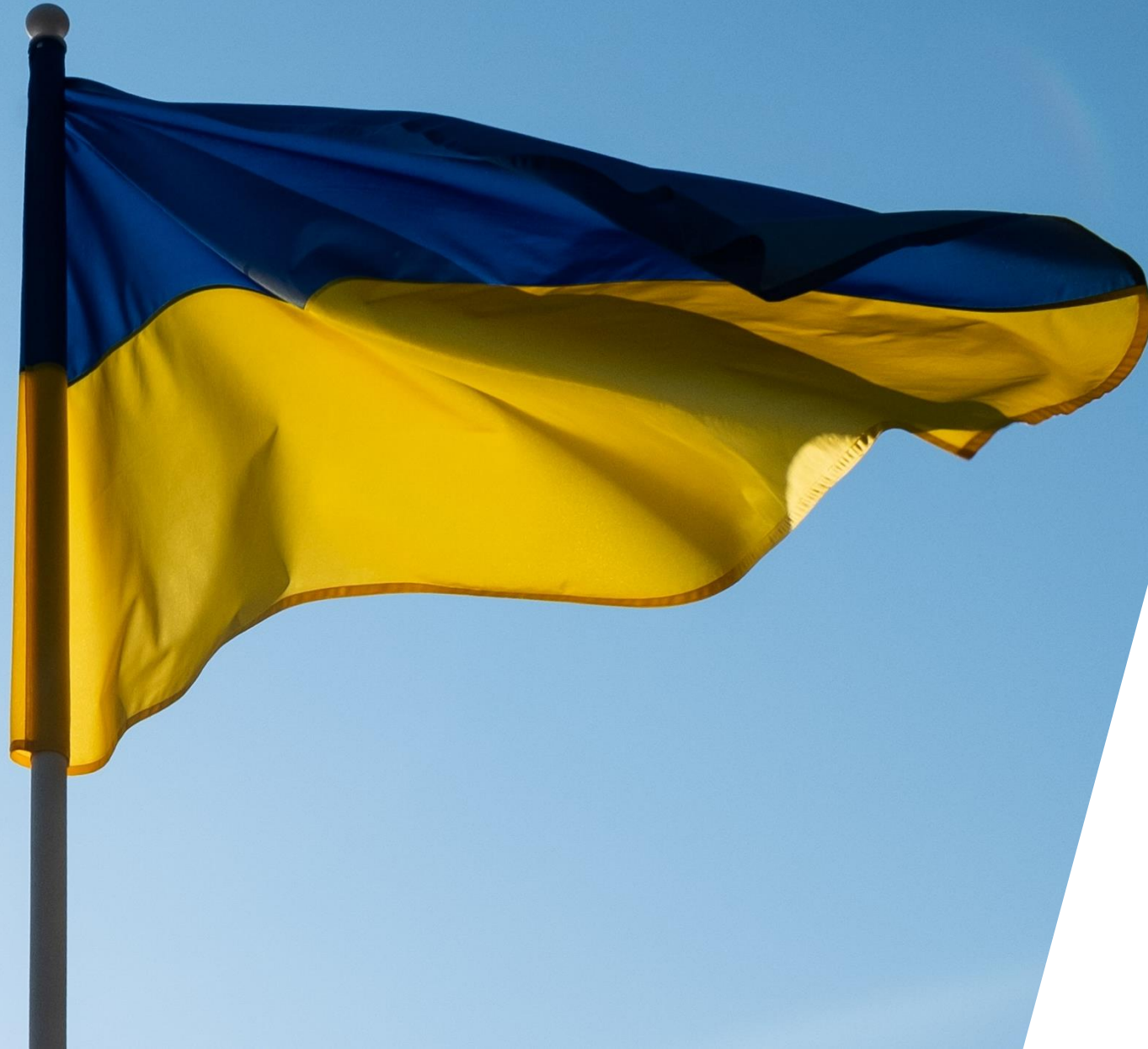
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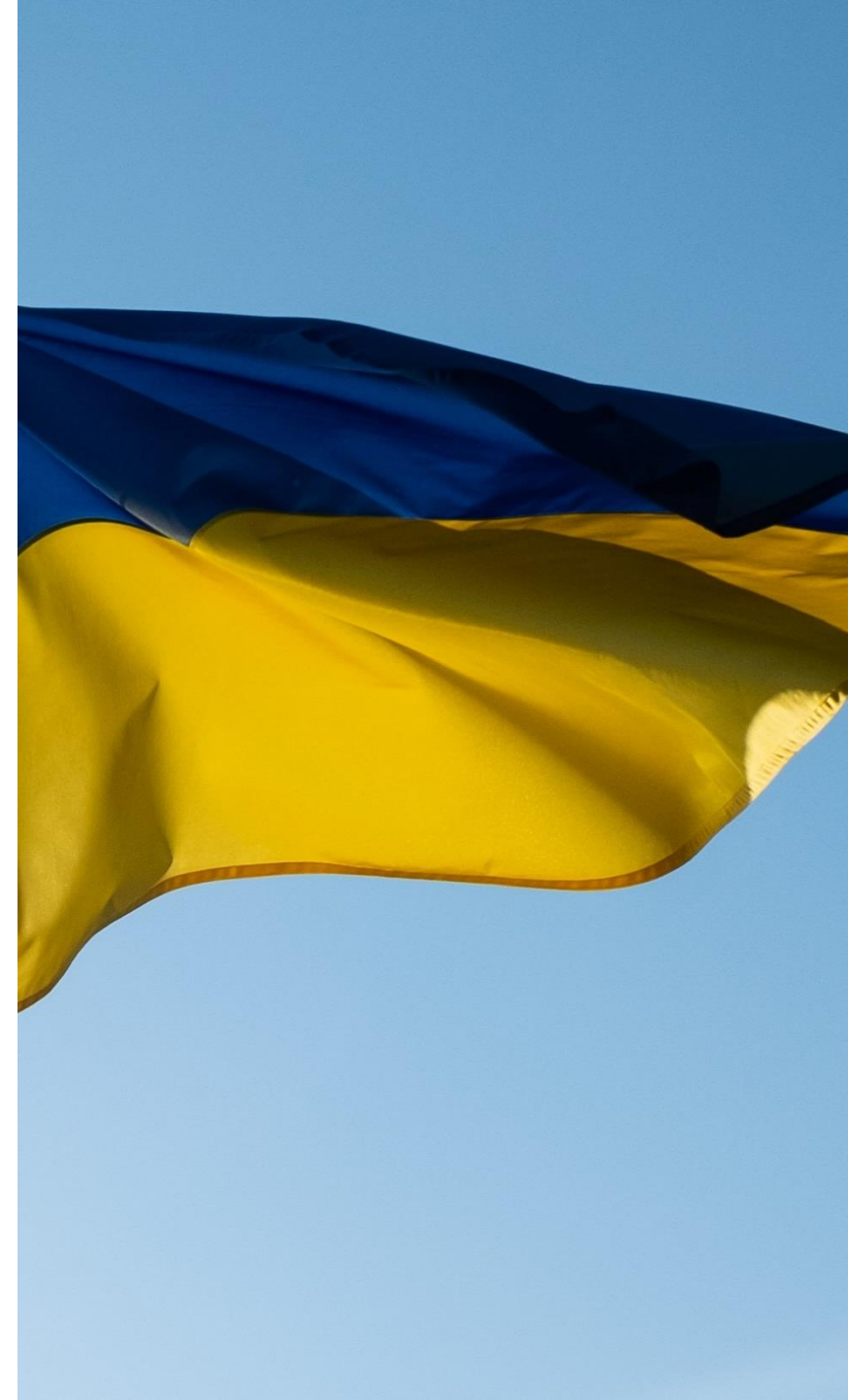
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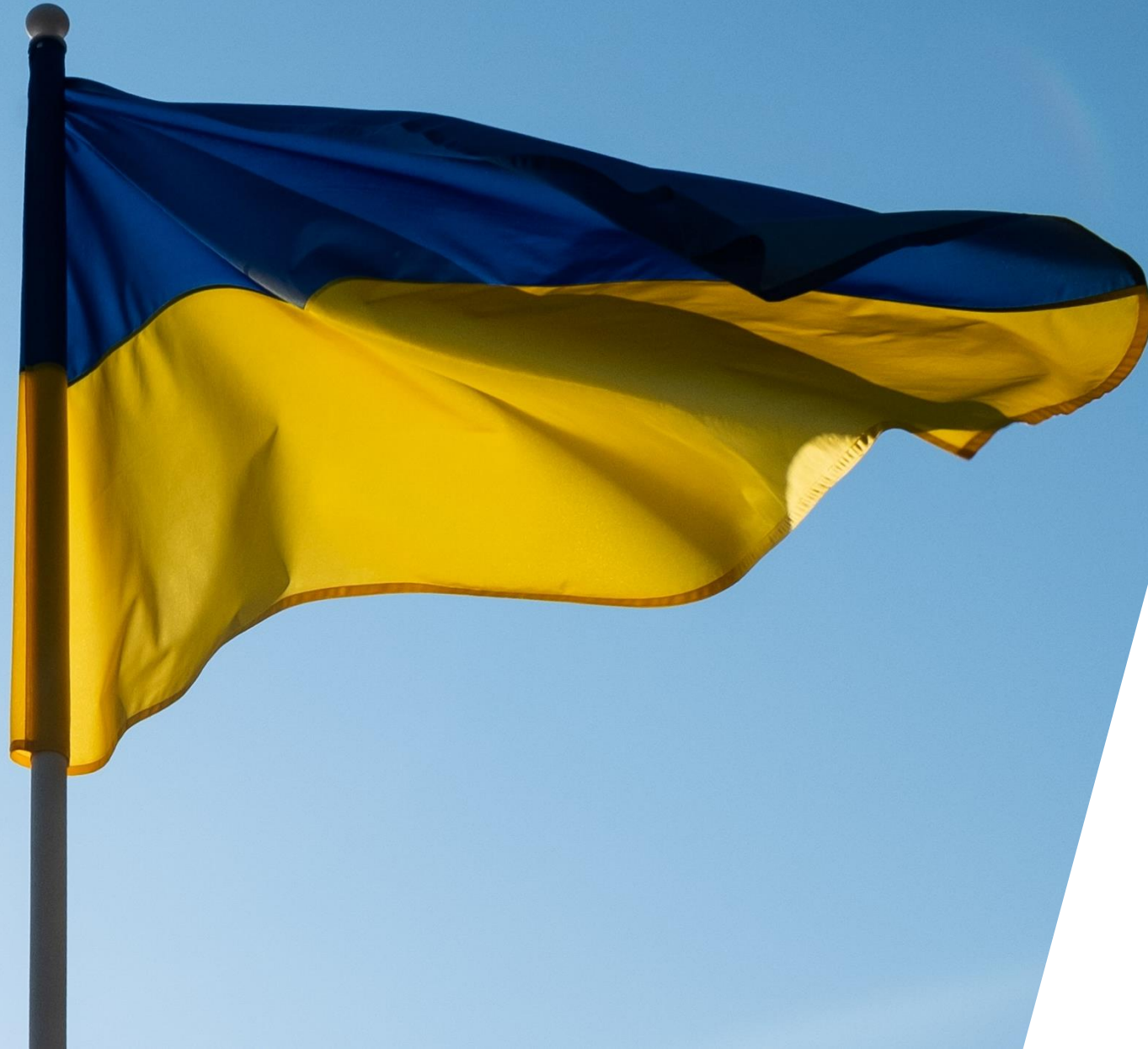
Survey Design

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- LINK: **Dr. Sabine Frenzel** | Managing Director LINK Social Research
- Study objective: Survey on the perception of the Ukraine war by the Swiss population
- Data collection: Wave 1: 17 until 21 March 2022
Wave 2: 03 until 10 June 2022
- Target group: People aged 15-79 living in Switzerland who are representative of the resident population there, who use the internet at least once a week for private purposes and who can complete the questionnaire in the national languages.
- Number of interviews: 2'422 (wave 1 = 1'206; wave 2 = 1'216)
- Method: LINK Online panel with 115,000 active members recruited by telephone





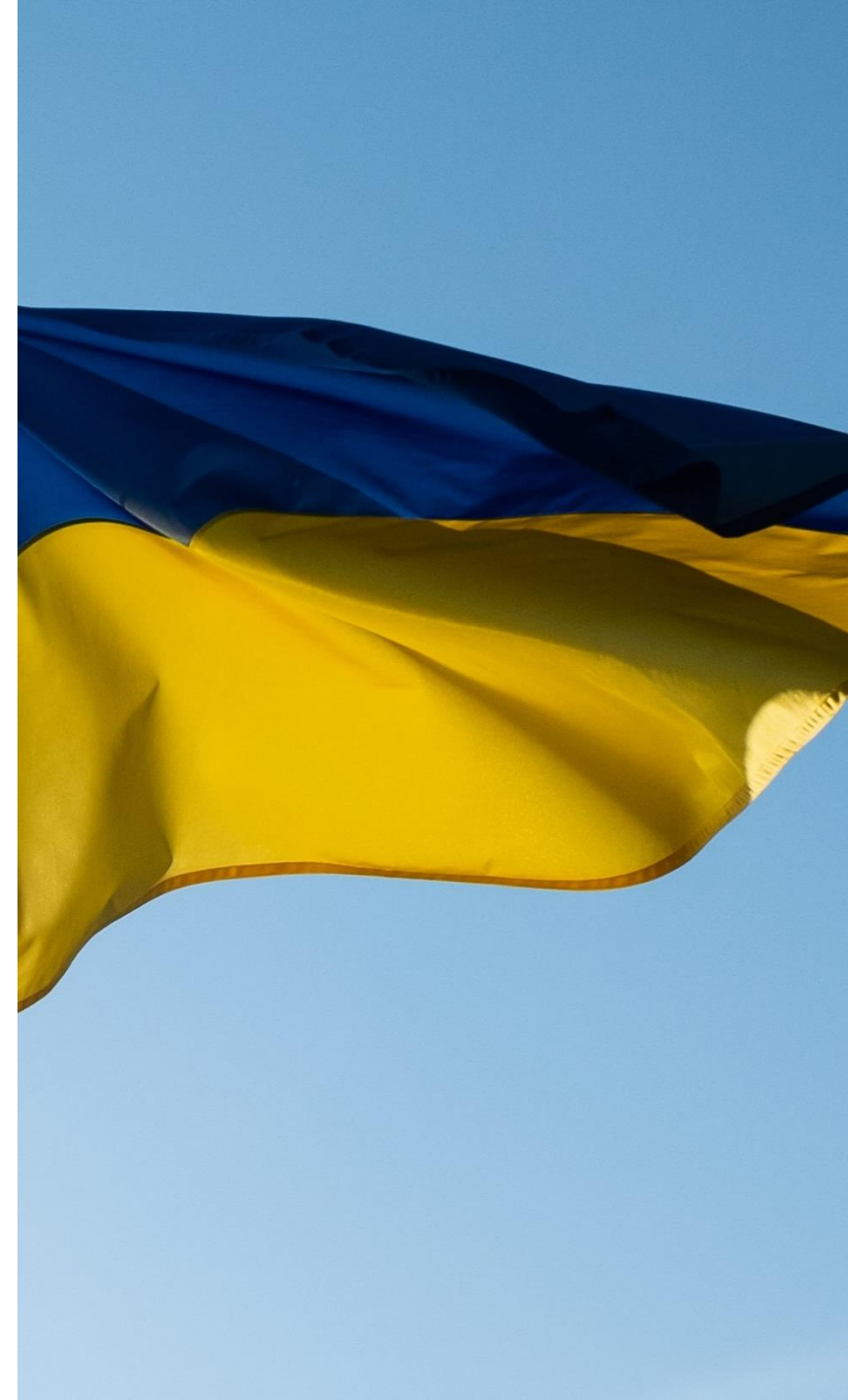
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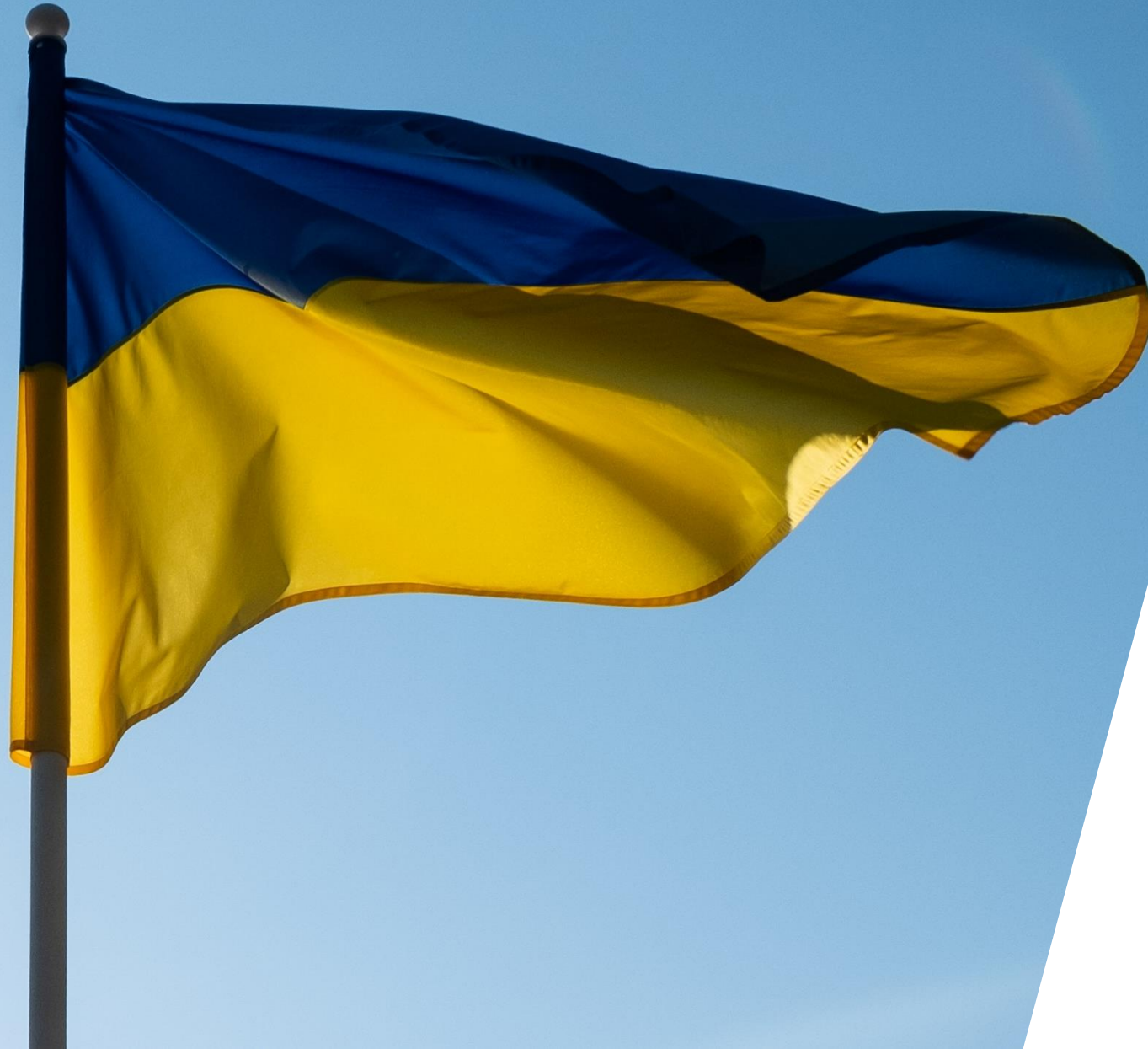
Management Summary

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- In Switzerland, the threat has dropped slightly compared to March, but the situation is still perceived as threatening by a large majority.
- In June, a majority is still backing current economic sanctions and even increasing them, although respondents are aware of the negative financial consequences. Military measures, in contrast, are clearly rejected.
- A large majority is in favour of the Federal Council's policy and supports its cooperative interpretation of Swiss neutrality policy. Accordingly, active intervention to safeguard core values such as human rights or fundamental principles e.g., the right of states to self-determination, without violating the obligations of a neutral state through military intervention are advocated. However, a growing political divide can be observed.



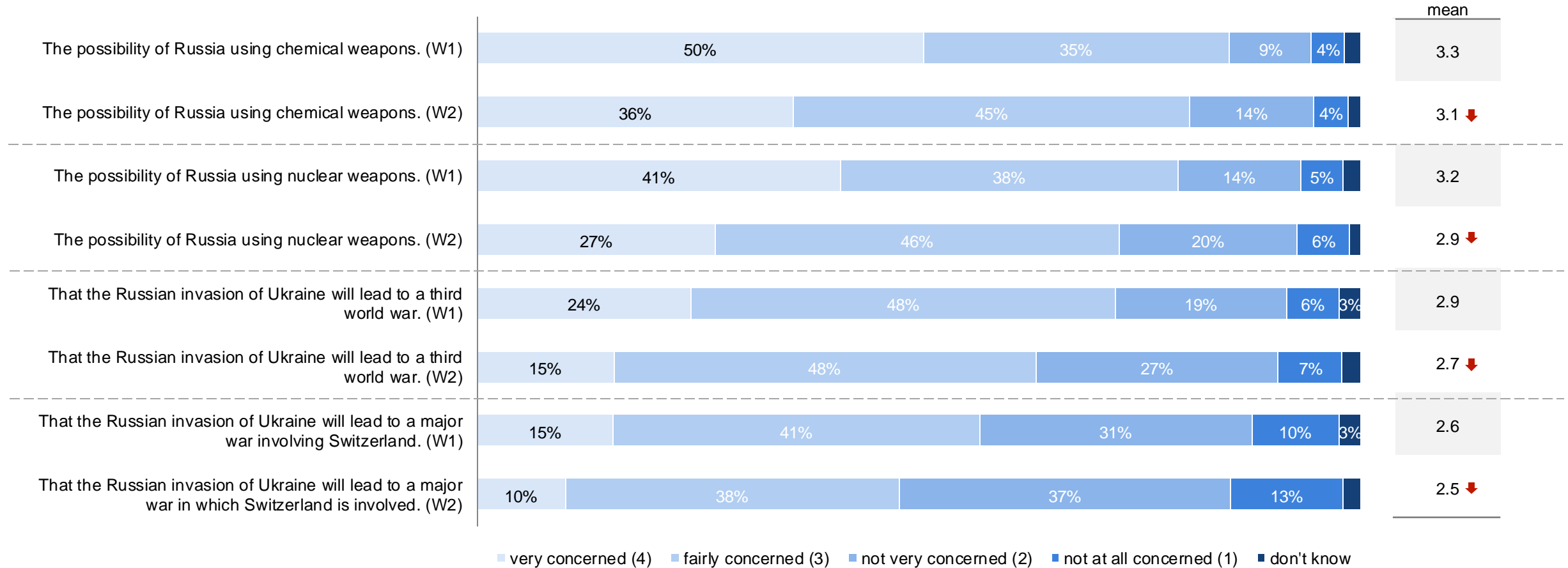


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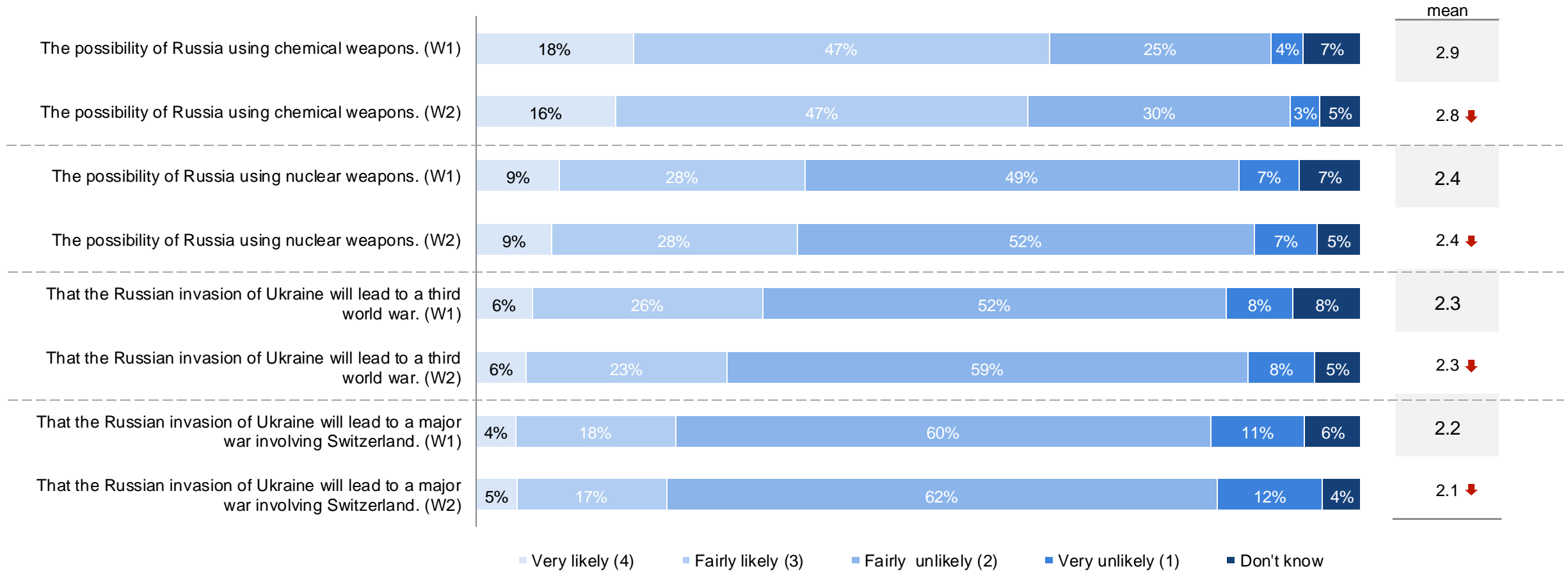
Concerns about a possible further escalation of the Ukraine war remain high.



Q9: How concerned are you about each of the following, if at all?

Base: W2 n=1'216, W1 n=1'206 | Filter: All respondents | Scaled questions: 1= Not at all concerned to 4= Very concerned | ↑ Significantly higher than previous wave, ↓ significantly lower than previous wave

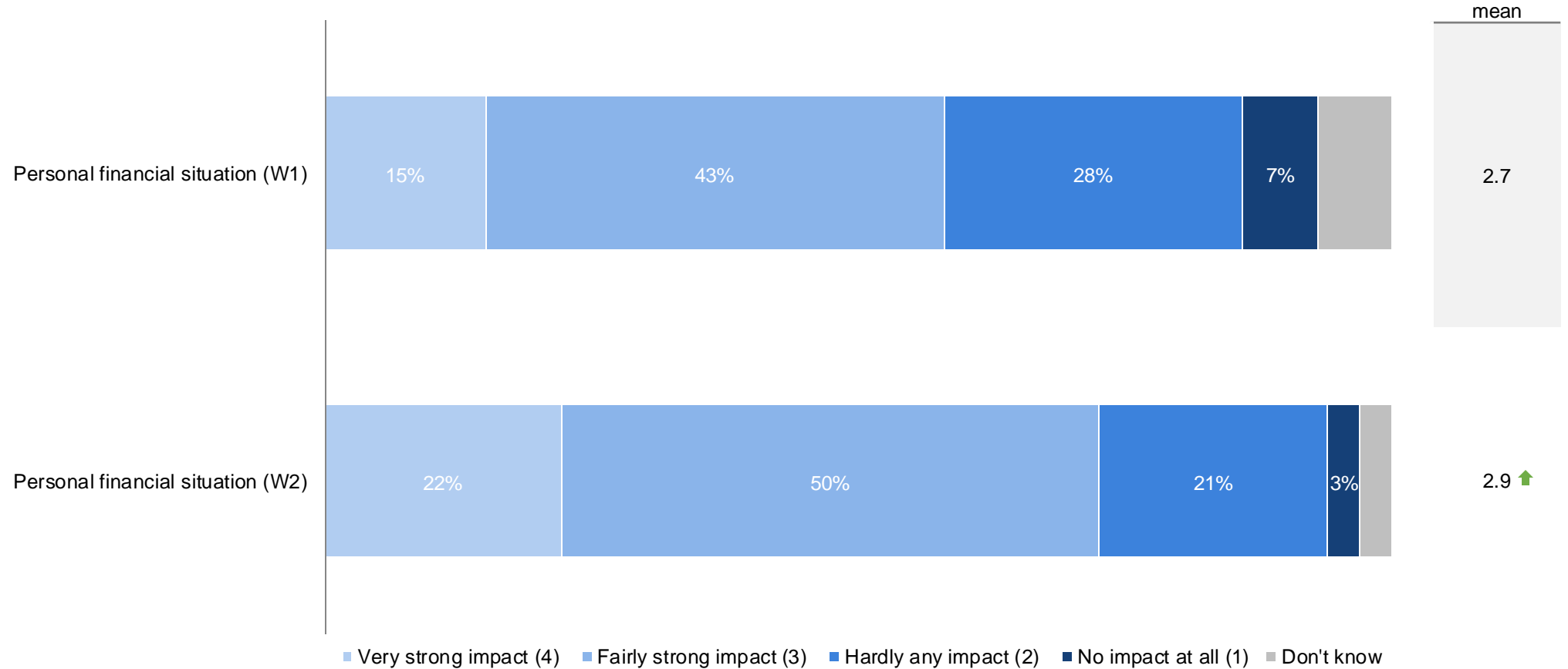
Possible escalation scenarios continue to be assessed with stable probability.



Q10: And how likely do they think each of the following is?

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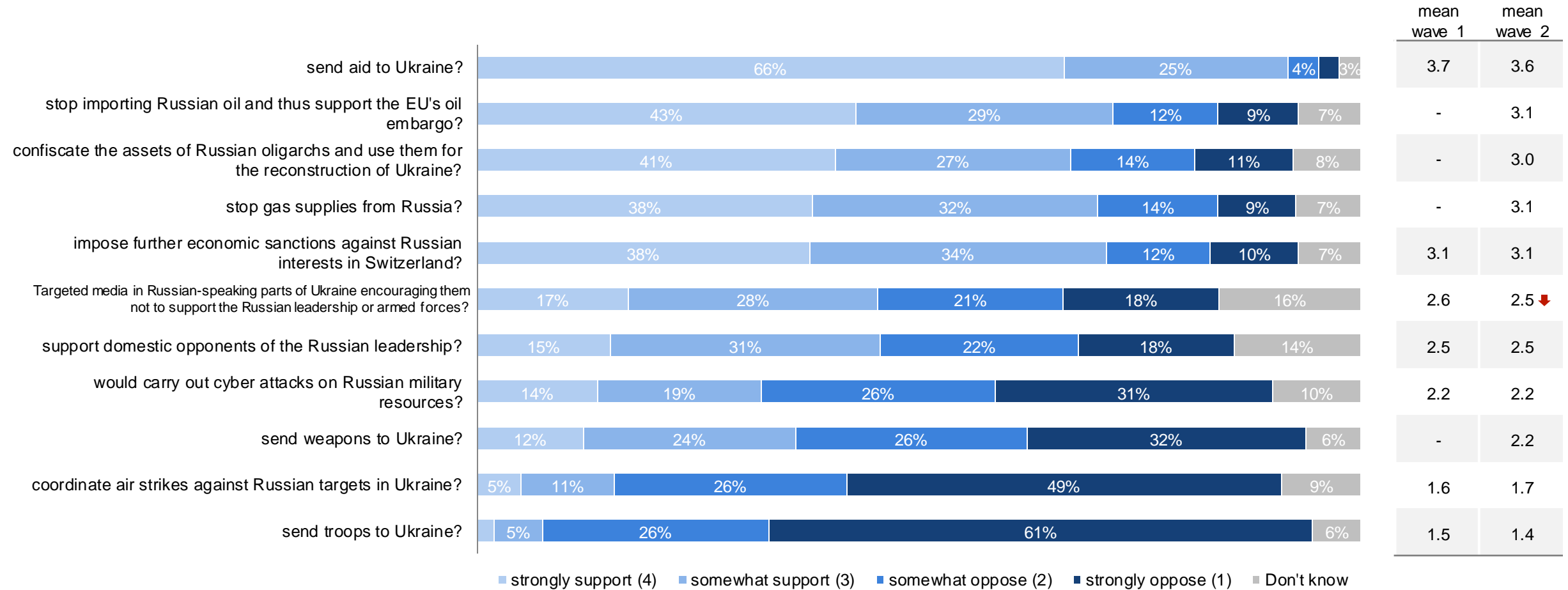
Respondents are now more aware of the impact of the Ukraine war on their personal situation.



Q6: How much, if at all, do you think the Russian attack on Ukraine will have a NEGATIVE impact on your personal financial situation?

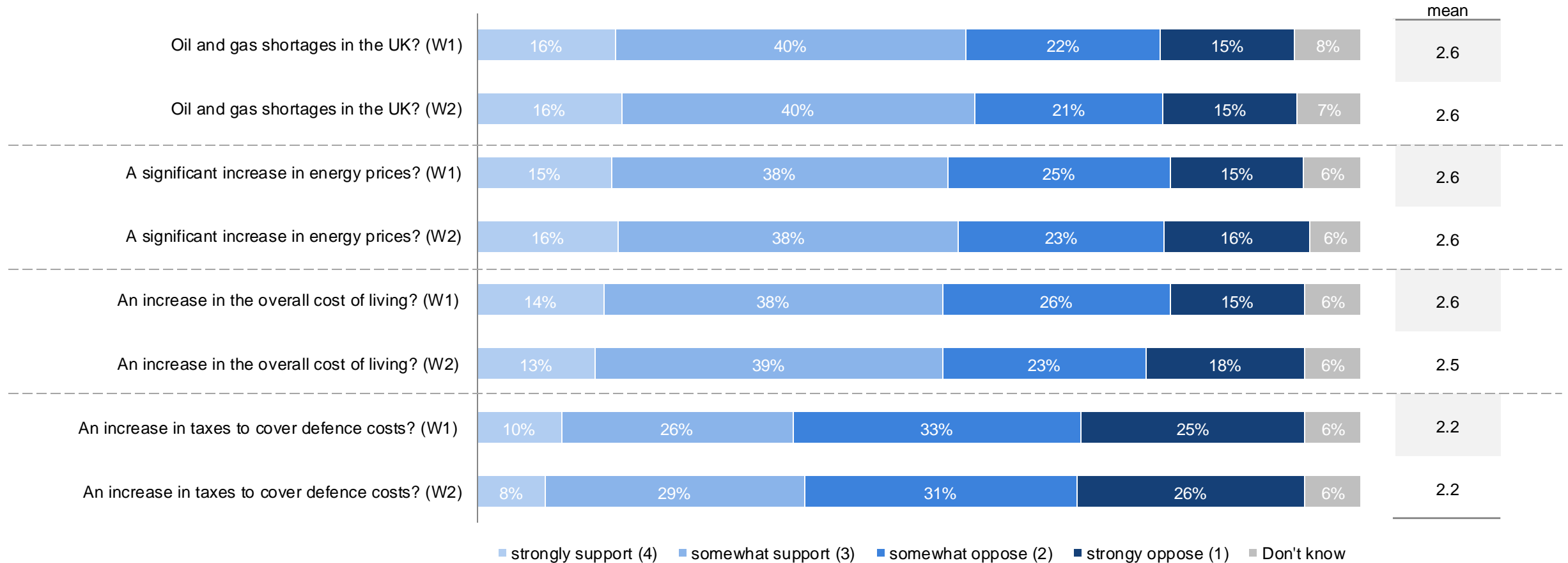
Basis: W2 n=1'216, W1 n=1'206 | Filter: All respondents | Scaled questions: 1= No impact at all to 4= Very strong impact | ↑ Significantly higher than previous wave; ↓ significantly lower than previous wave

Ratings of possible measures that the government could take in response to the Russia-Ukraine situation varied strongly.



Q13: Below are a range of possible measures that the UK could take in response to the Russia-Ukraine situation. To what extent would you support or oppose the government...
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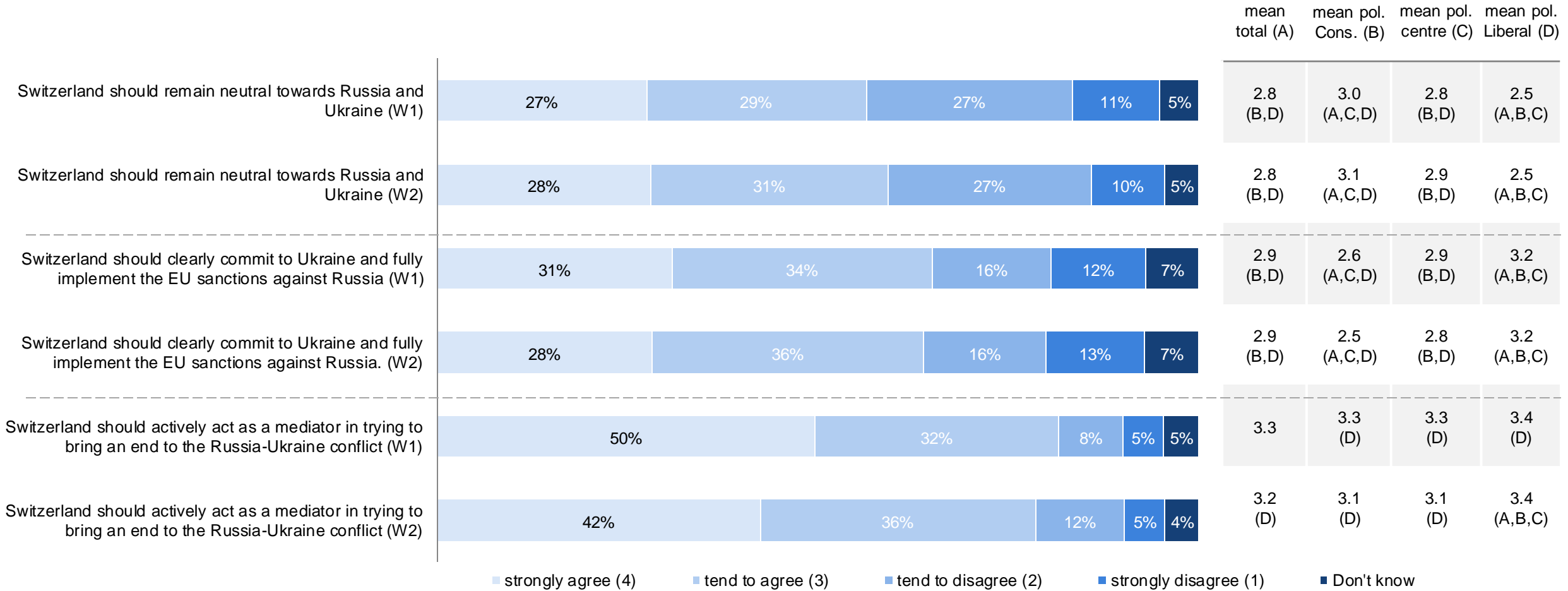
The majority of respondents support increased sanctions against Russia, even if they negatively impact their personal financial situation.



Q14: Would you support or oppose increased sanctions against Russia if it meant...

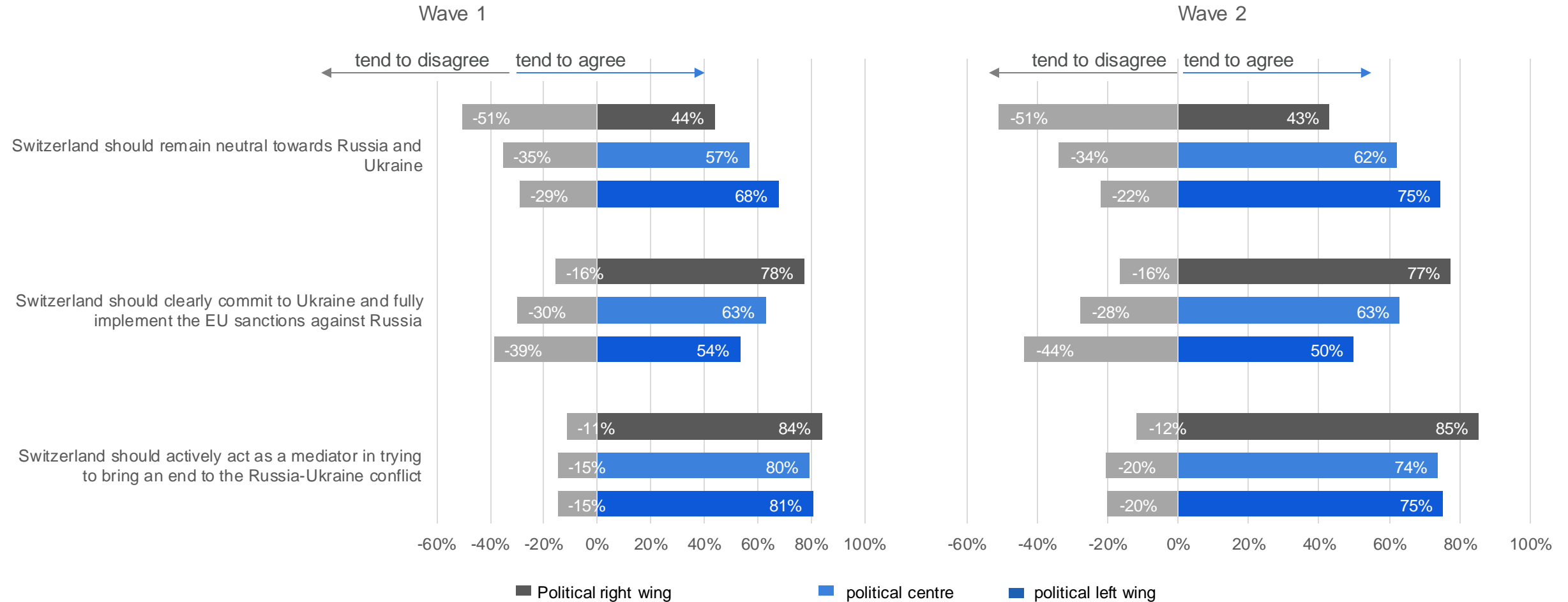
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The concept of «cooperative neutrality» is supported by a majority of the Swiss population.



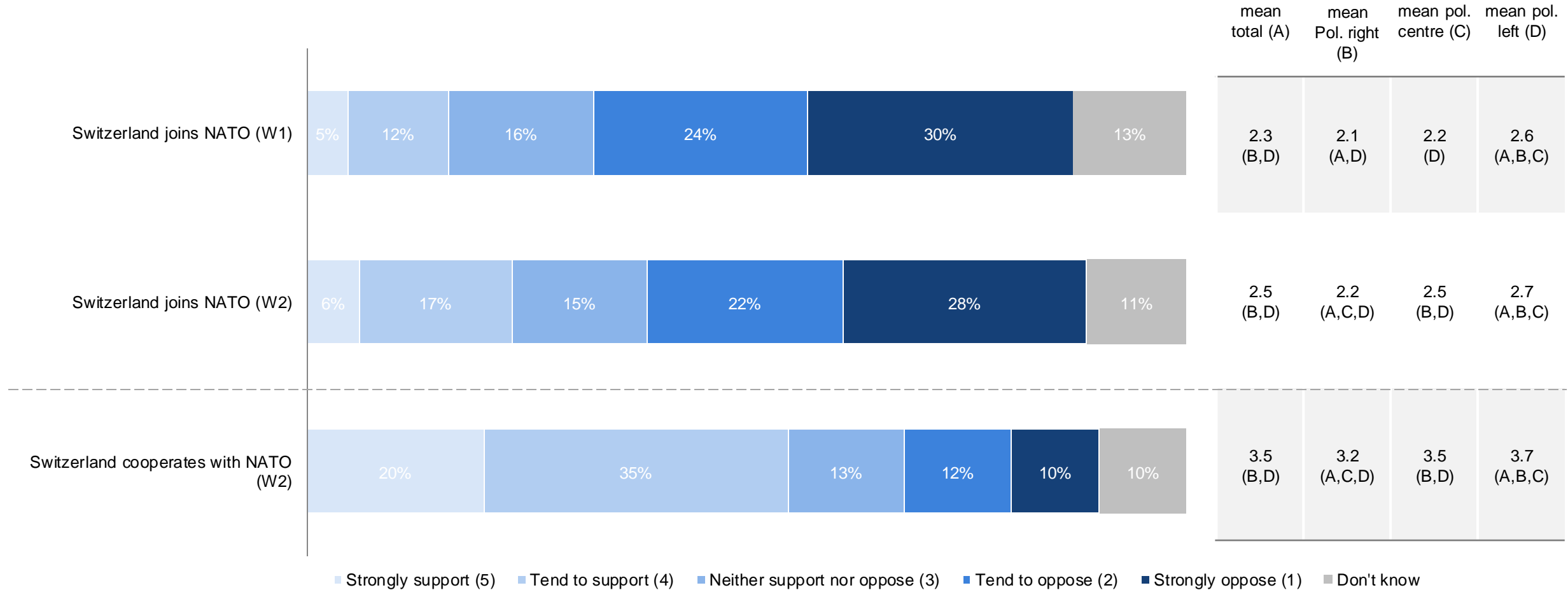
Q34: Please say how much you agree or disagree with the following statements regarding Switzerland and the current situation in Russia/Ukraine
 Base: W2 n=1'216, W1 n=1'206 | Filter: All respondents | Scaled question: 1= Not at all likely to 4= Very likely | ▲ Significantly higher than previous wave, ▼ significantly lower than previous wave

Politically conservative oriented respondents want Switzerland to remain neutral towards Russia and Ukraine.



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There is broad support for closer cooperation between Switzerland and NATO.

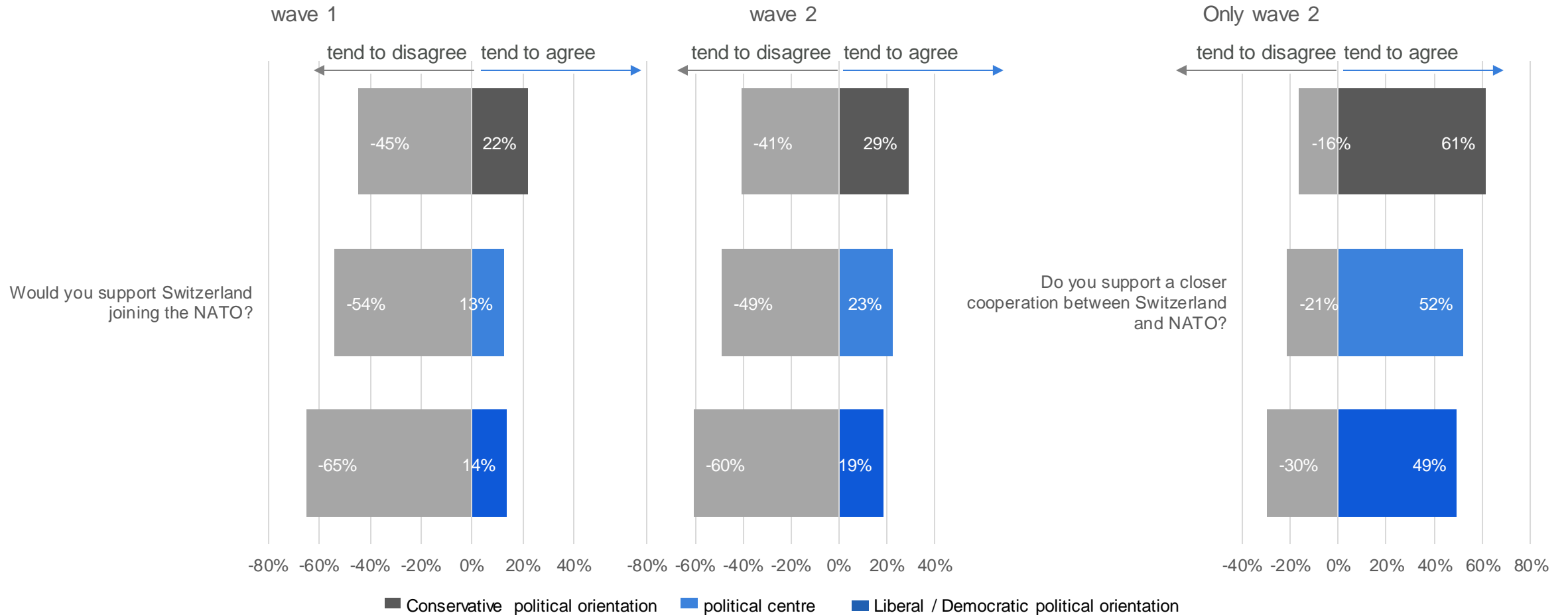


Q26: Do you support or oppose Switzerland joining NATO?? | Q27: Do you support or oppose Switzerland cooperating more intensely with NATO? (only wave 2)

Basis: W2 n=1'216, W1 n=1'206 | Filter: All respondents | Scaled questions: 1= strongly oppose to 4= strongly support

The letters placed after the value in the table on the right indicate a significant difference (95% level) compared to the respective groups for which the letters are representative (column names).

Politically liberal/ democratic oriented respondents tend to agree with Switzerland joining the NATO. In contrast, the conservative opposition strongly disagrees.

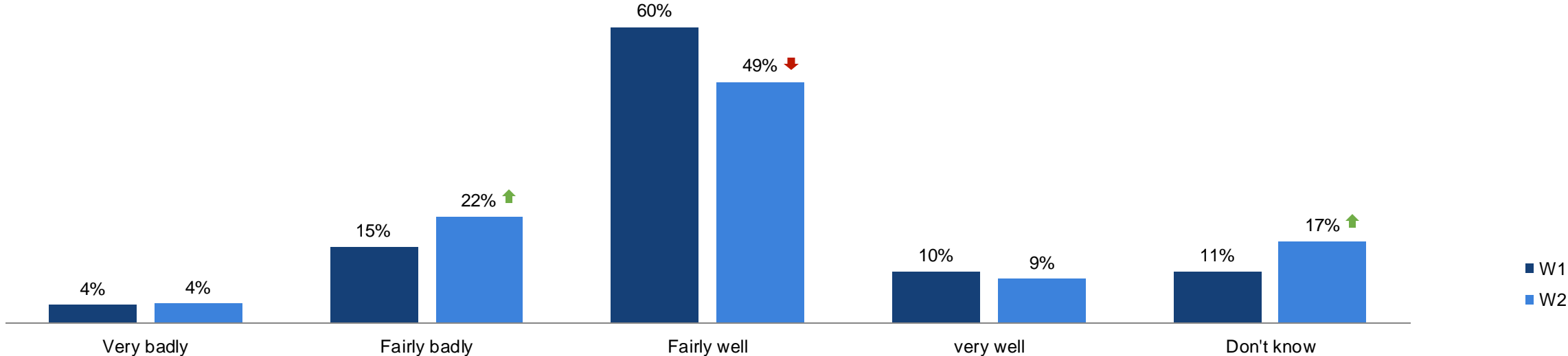


Q26: Would you support Switzerland joining the NATO? | Q27: Do you support a closer cooperation between Switzerland and NATO? (only wave 2)

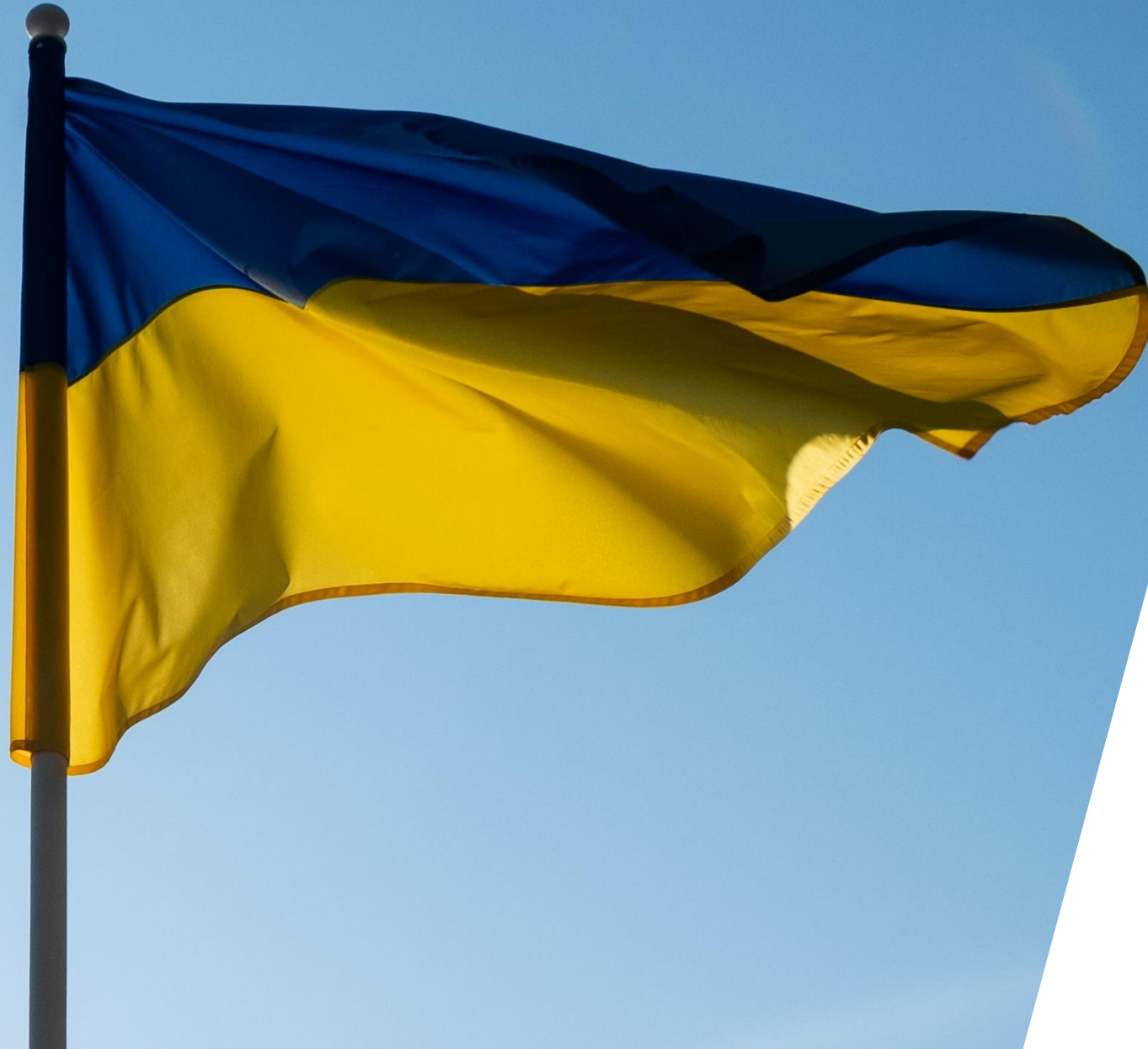
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A vast majority supports the current measures of the government.



Q11: How well or badly do you think the government is handling the Russia-Ukraine situation?
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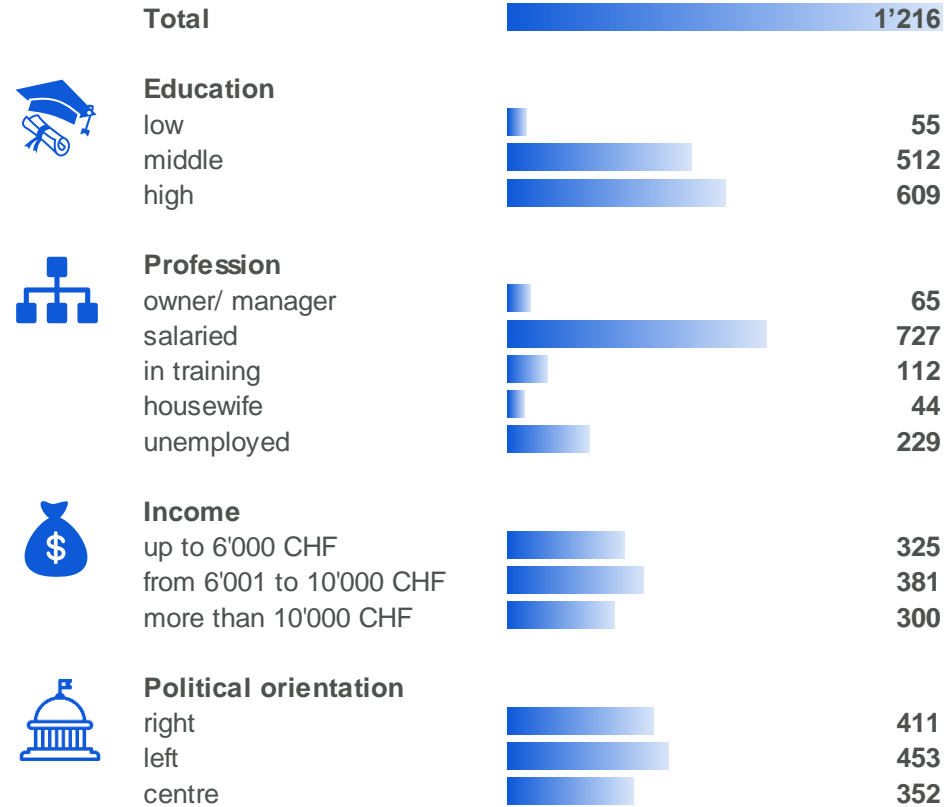
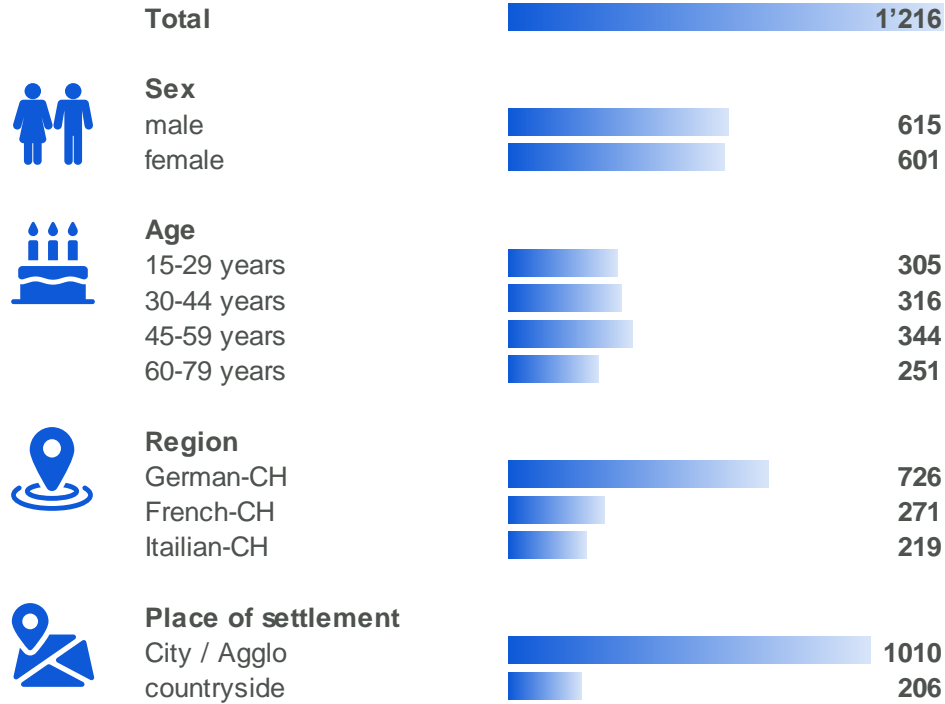


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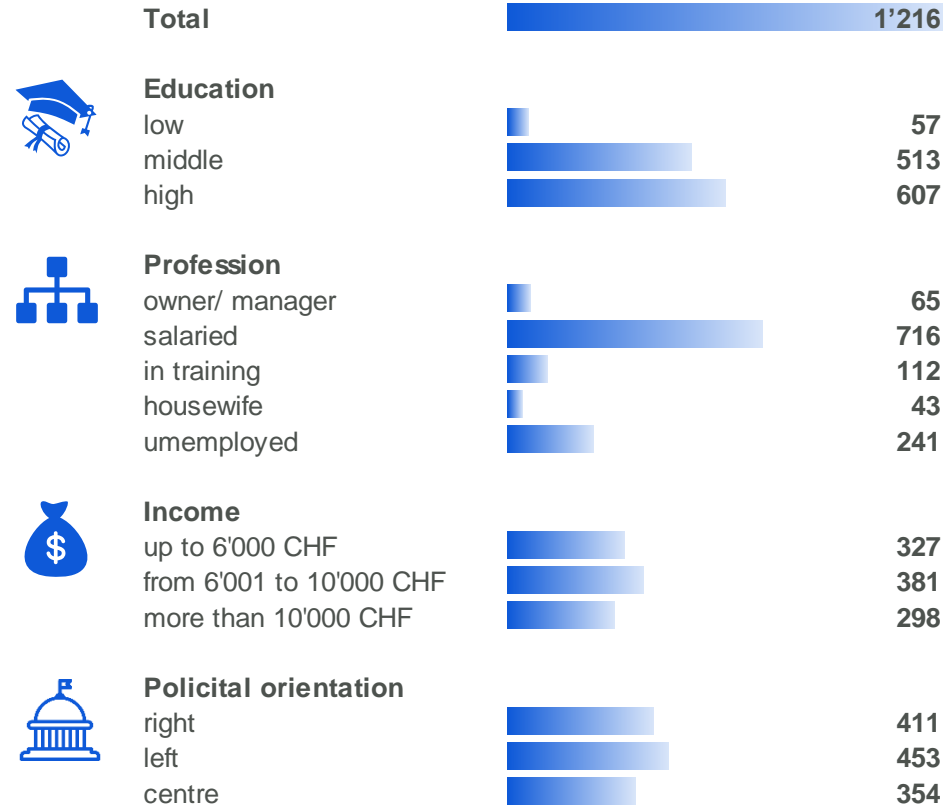
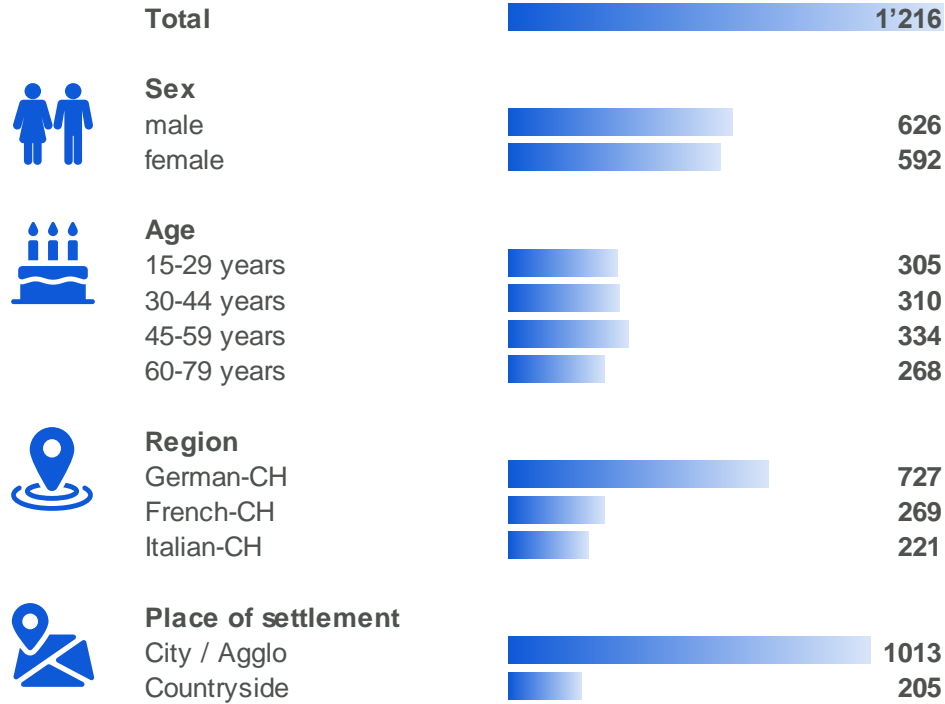
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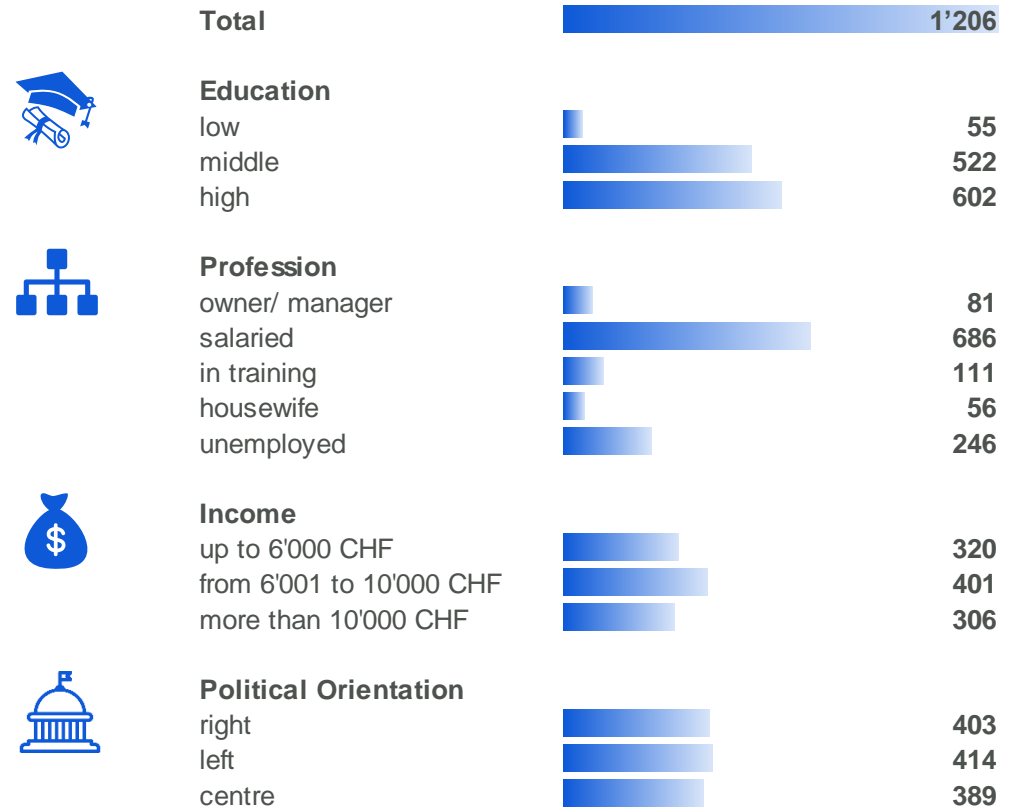
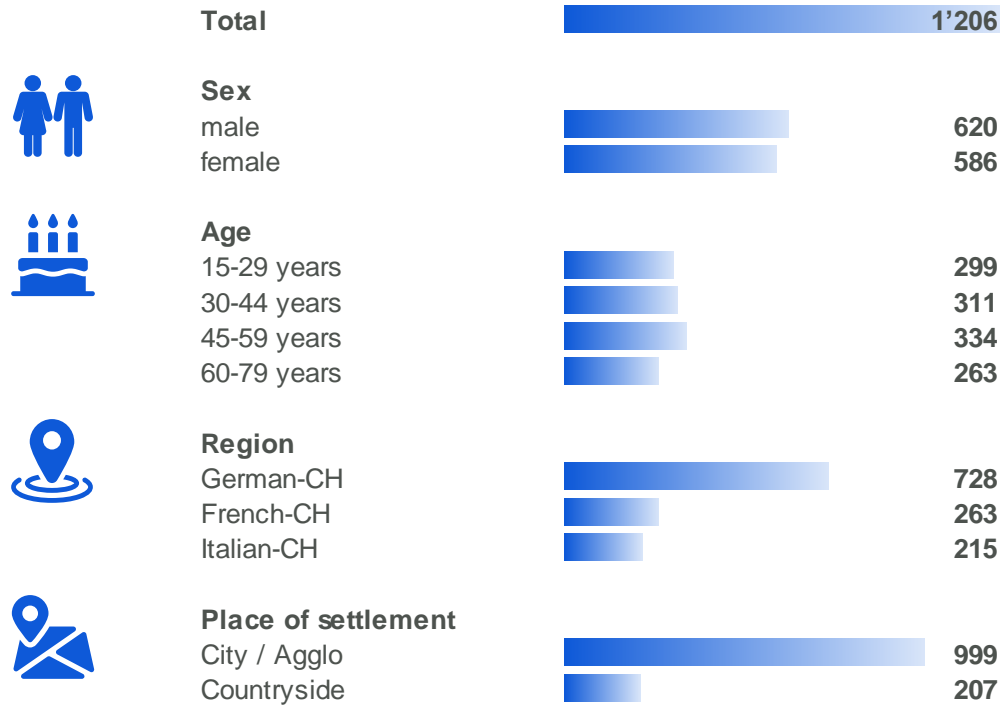
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