

A Strong Majority Wants Albania to Join the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW)



Study Background and Methodology

- In January 2021, a comprehensive new treaty that prohibits the development, possession, deployment, and use of nuclear weapons, the United Nations' Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW), became international law.
- The purpose of the Treaty is to comprehensively ban nuclear weapons due to their catastrophic humanitarian consequences and to complement existing international treaties which regulate nuclear weapons and prohibit weapons of mass destruction. Albania has not yet joined the treaty.

A national sample with **1100 interviews** in 12 Albanian regions

Representative study, with 18+ years old

CAWI methodology (Computer Assisted Web Interviewing)

Fieldwork timeframe:
December 2021 – January 2022

Margin of error, 3% with 95% confidence interval

Main Findings

SUPPORT FOR ALBANIA JOINING THE UN TREATY

- About **98%** of respondents think that Albania **should join** the treaty.
- When disaggregating the results by urbanity, gender, and region, no differences are shown in respondent's opinion.

ALBANIA JOINING AMONG THE FIRST MEMBERS OF NATO

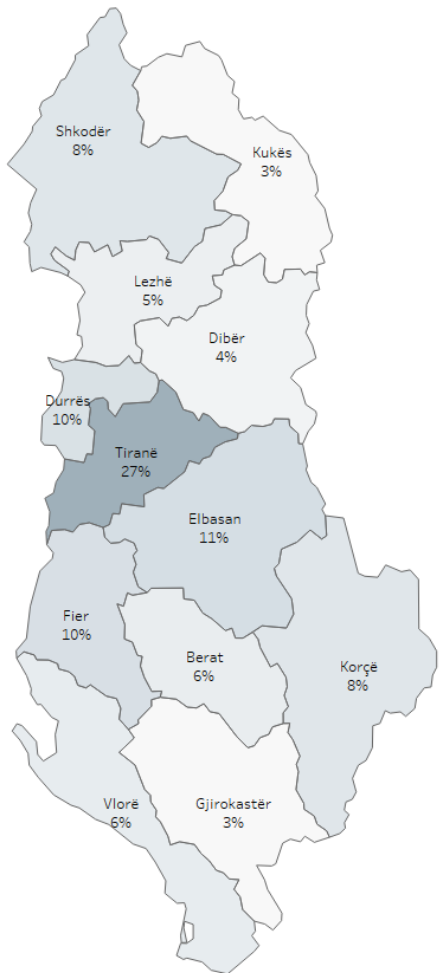
- About **90%** of respondents think Albania **should be among the first** members of NATO to join the UN Treaty.
- About 9% state that Albania should not be among the first members of NATO to join and about 1% do not have an opinion or refuse to answer.

PREPAREDNESS OF ALBANIA FOR NUCLEAR WEAPON DETONATION

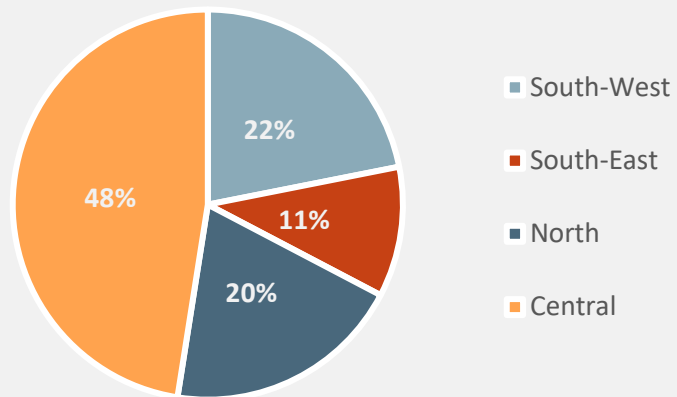
- The results show that about **88%** of respondents think that **Albania is not prepared** to handle the resulting emergency if nuclear weapons were detonated somewhere in the world.

Respondent Profile

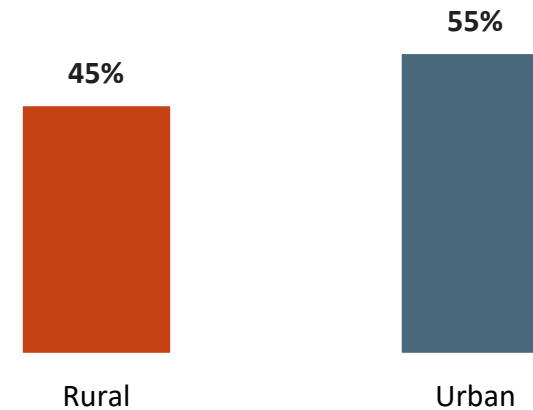
Weighted by age (as presented in the report)



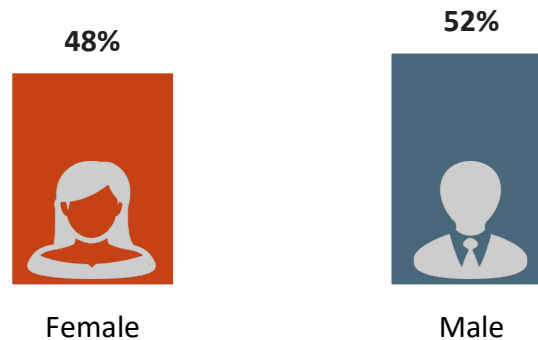
Region



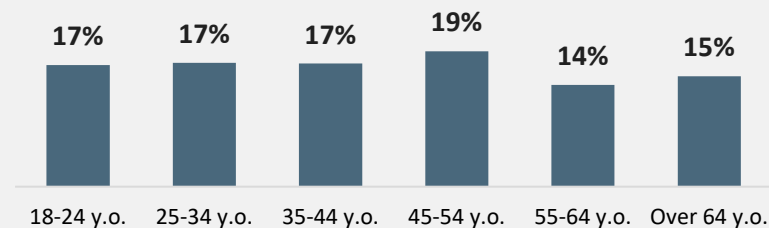
Urbanity



Gender



Age

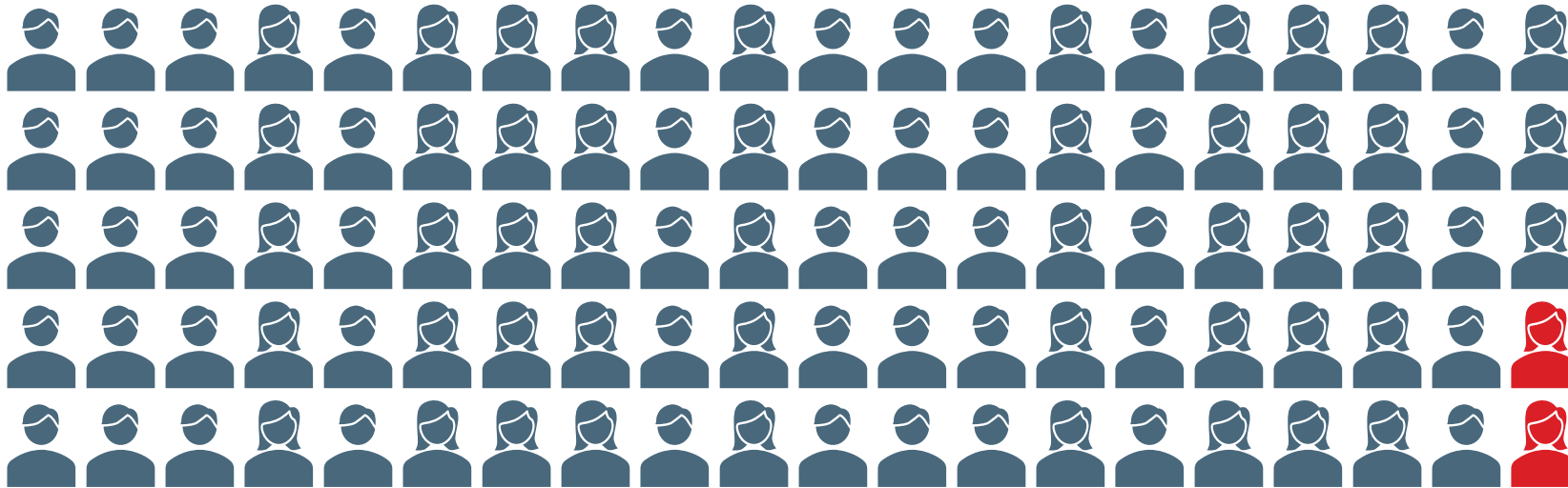


Study Results



Do you think Albania should join the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons?

N=1100



- When asked should Albania join the UN Treaty of the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons, about 98% of respondents think that Albania should join the treaty.

98%

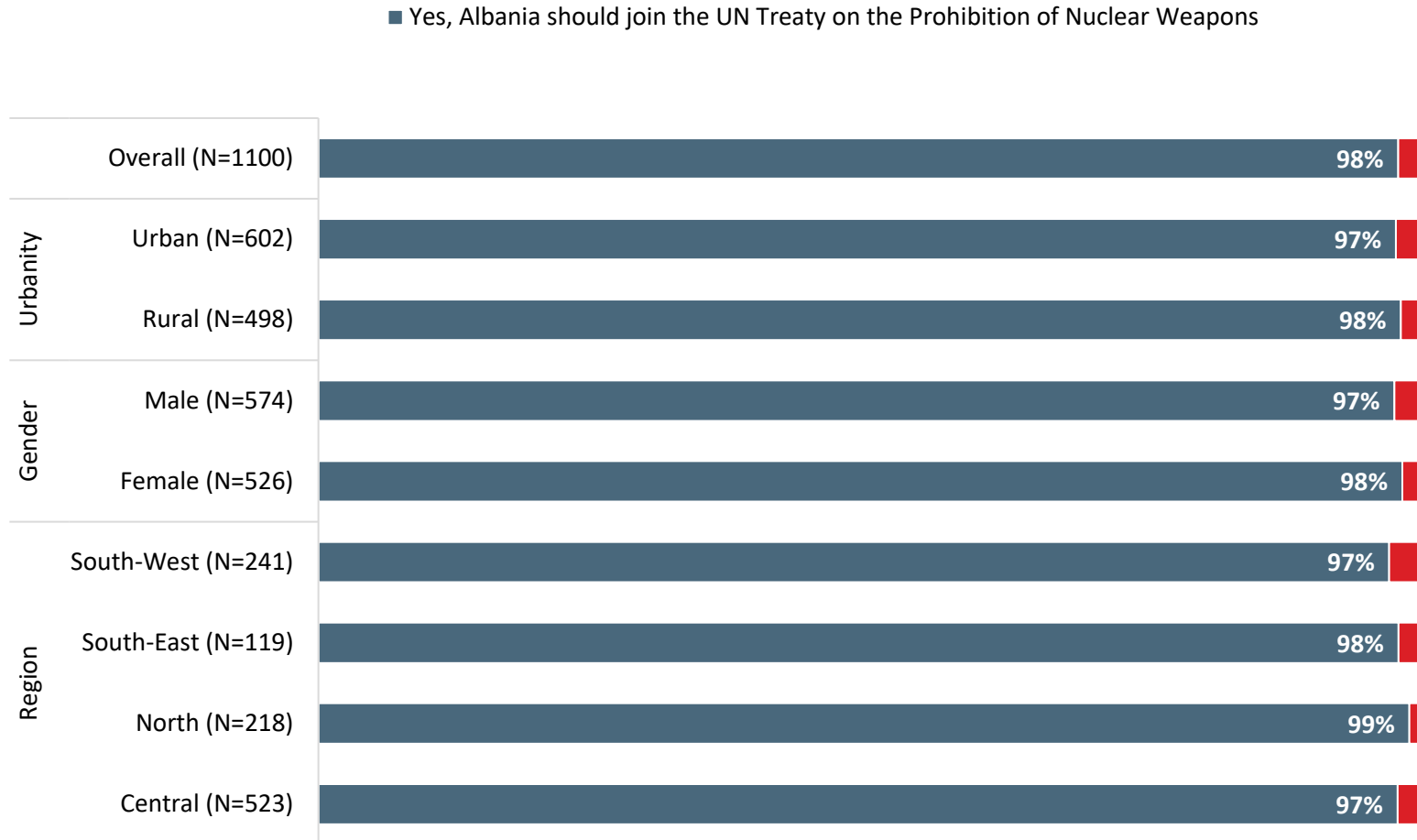
Yes, Albania should join the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons

2%

No, Albania should NOT join the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons

Do you think Albania should join the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons?

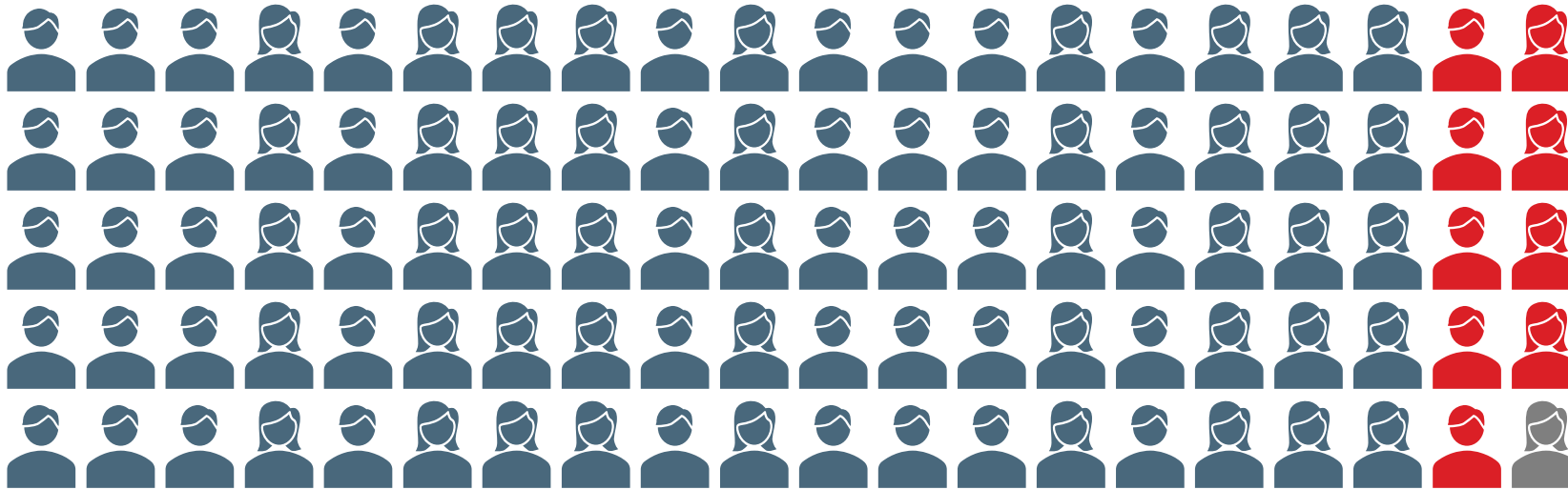
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- When disaggregating the results by urbanity, gender, and region, no differences are shown in respondent's opinion.

Do you think Albania should be among the FIRST members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) to join the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons?

N=1073



90%

Yes, Albania should be among the first

9%

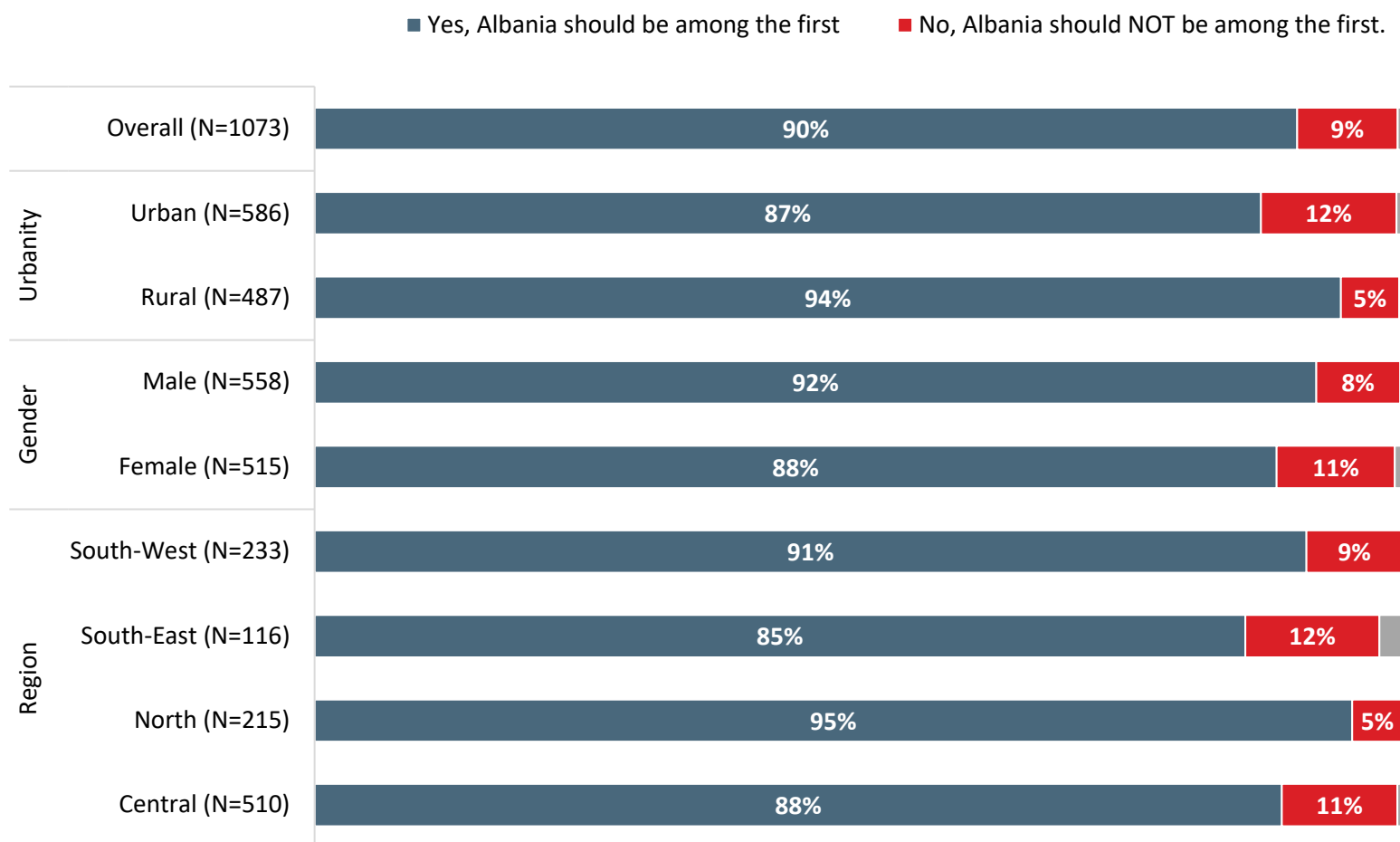
No, Albania should NOT be among the first

- Moreover, the respondents were asked whether Albania should be among the first members of NATO to join or not.
- The results show that 90% of respondents think Albania should be among the first members of NATO to join the UN Treaty.
- About 9% state that Albania should not be among the first members of NATO to join and about 1% do not have an opinion or refuse to answer.

**Only those who stated Albania should join the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons*

Do you think Albania should be among the FIRST members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) to join the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons?

N=1073



- When disaggregating the results by urbanity, gender, and region, there are few differences in respondent's opinion.
- About 7% less respondents from the Urban area think that Albania should be among the first ones to join (87% Urban vs. 94% Rural).
- Moreover, about 88% of female respondents think Albania should be among the first, compared with 92% of male respondents who think the same.
- Regarding regional disaggregation, the South-East and the Central region are less prone to think that Albania should be among the first members to join (85% and 88% respectively, compared with 91% for the South-West and 95% the North region).

**Only those who stated Albania should join the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons*

Do you think Albania is prepared to handle the resulting emergency if nuclear weapons were detonated somewhere in the world?

N=1100



8%

Yes, Albania is prepared

88%

No, Albania is NOT prepared

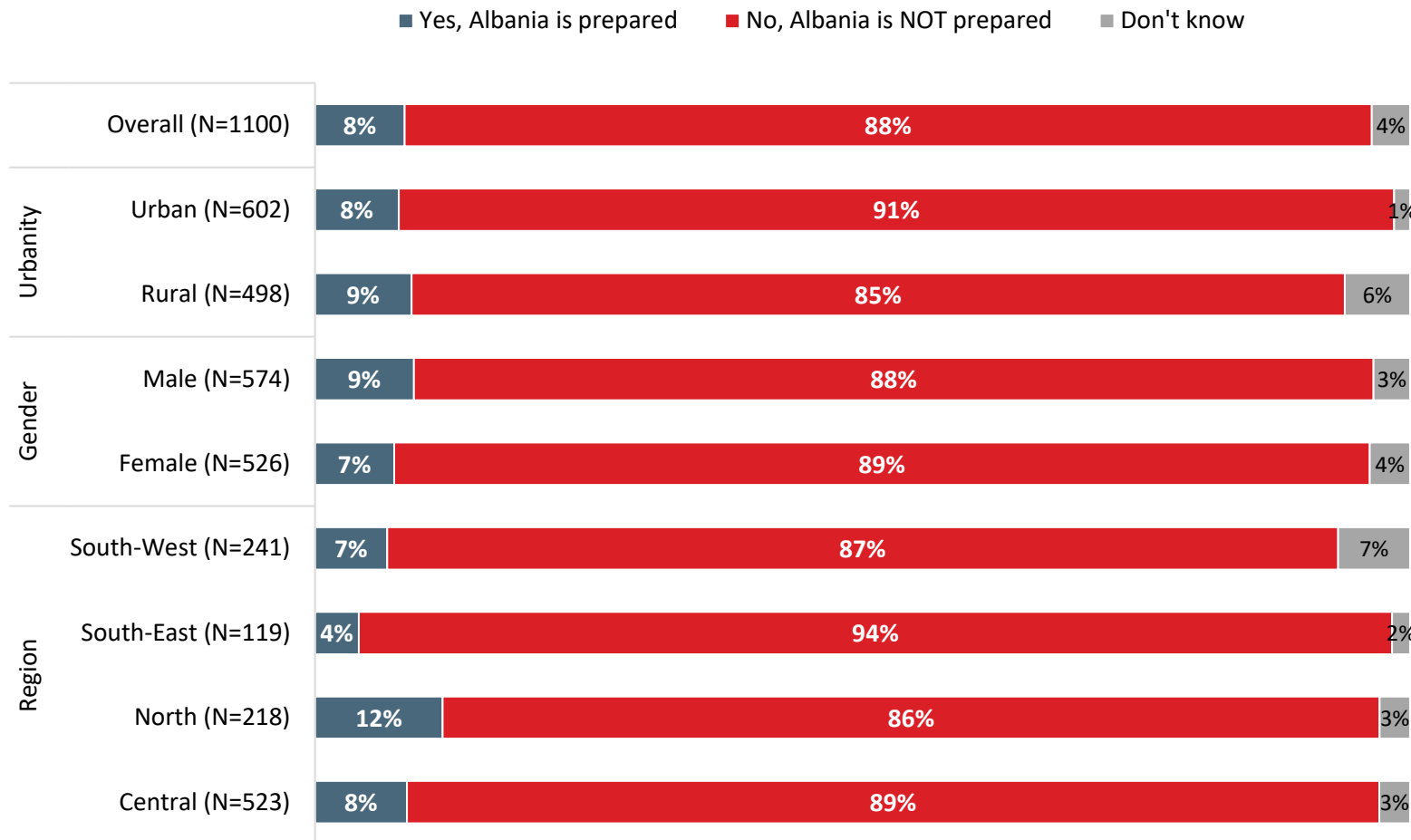
4%

Don't Know

- The results show that about 88% of respondents do not think that Albania is prepared to handle the resulting emergency if nuclear weapons were detonated somewhere in the world.
- Only 8% of respondents state that Albania is prepared and 4% of respondents do not have an opinion or refuse to answer.

Do you think Albania is prepared to handle the resulting emergency if nuclear weapons were detonated somewhere in the world?

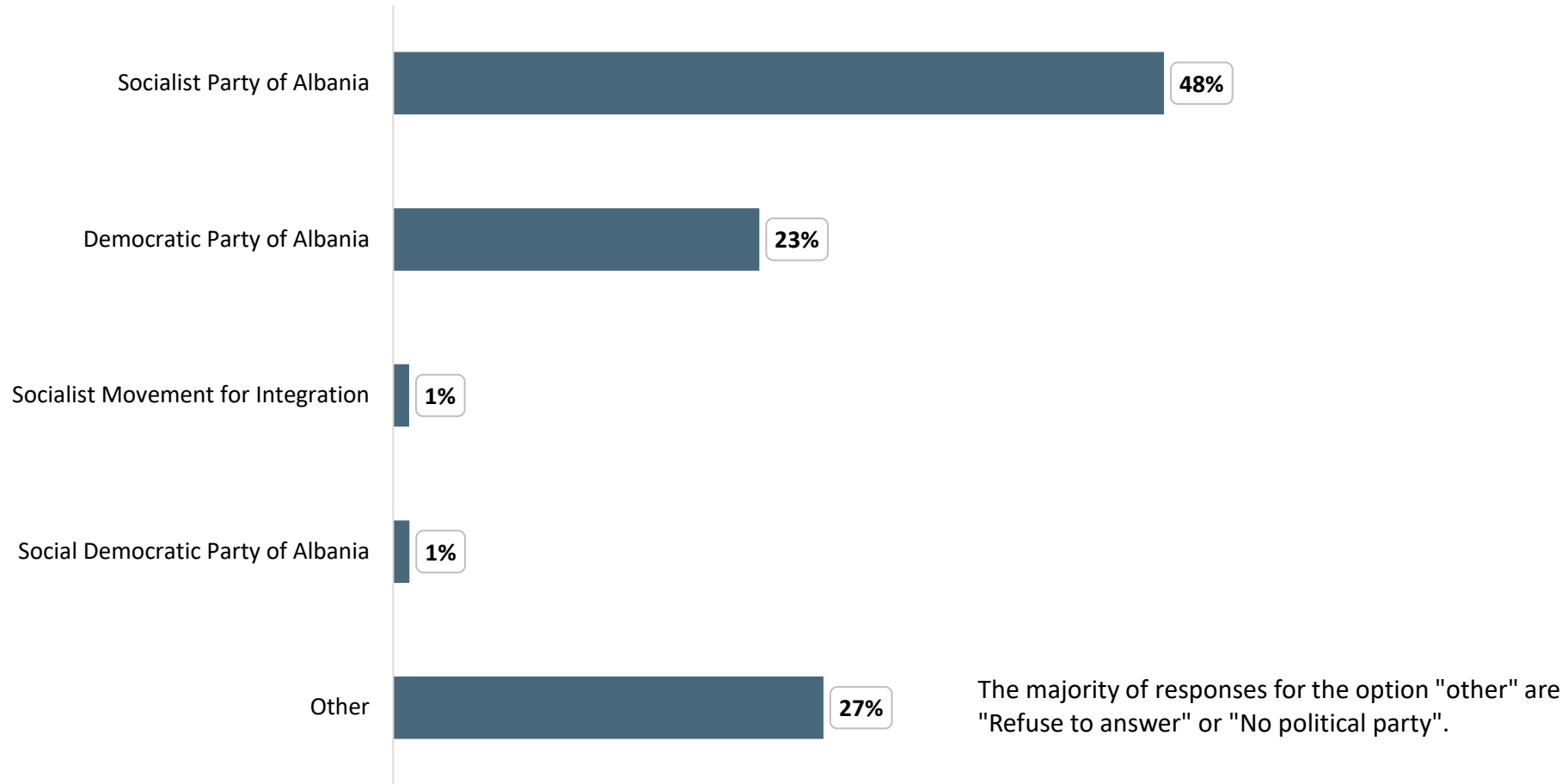
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- About 6% more respondents from the Urban area think that Albania is not prepared to handle the resulting emergency if nuclear weapons were detonated somewhere in the world (91% Urban vs. 85% Rural). It should be highlighted that for Rural areas the percentage of don't know is slightly higher than Urban areas.
- Regarding regional disaggregation, about 94% of respondents from the South-East region think Albania is not prepared.
- There are no significant differences when disaggregating the results by gender.

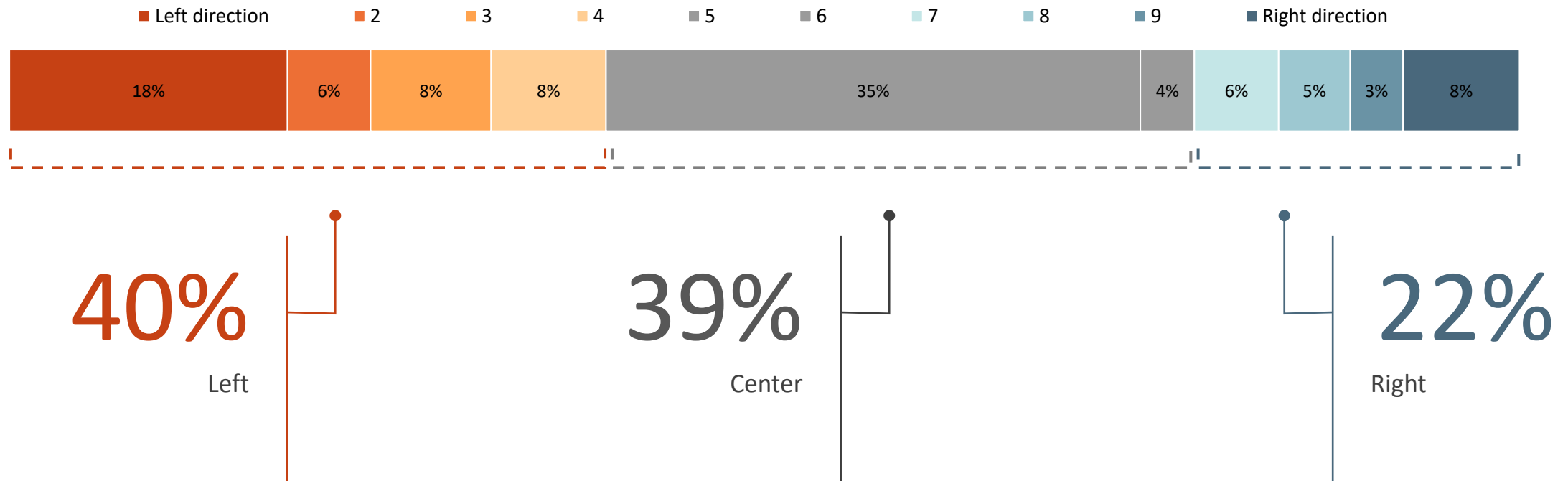
Which political party are you most likely to sympathize with?

N=1100



Taking this into consideration, terms like “left” and “right” when you talk about your political orientation, where would you see yourself on this scale?

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