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**Opinions and Attitudes of Czech
and Slovak Residents**



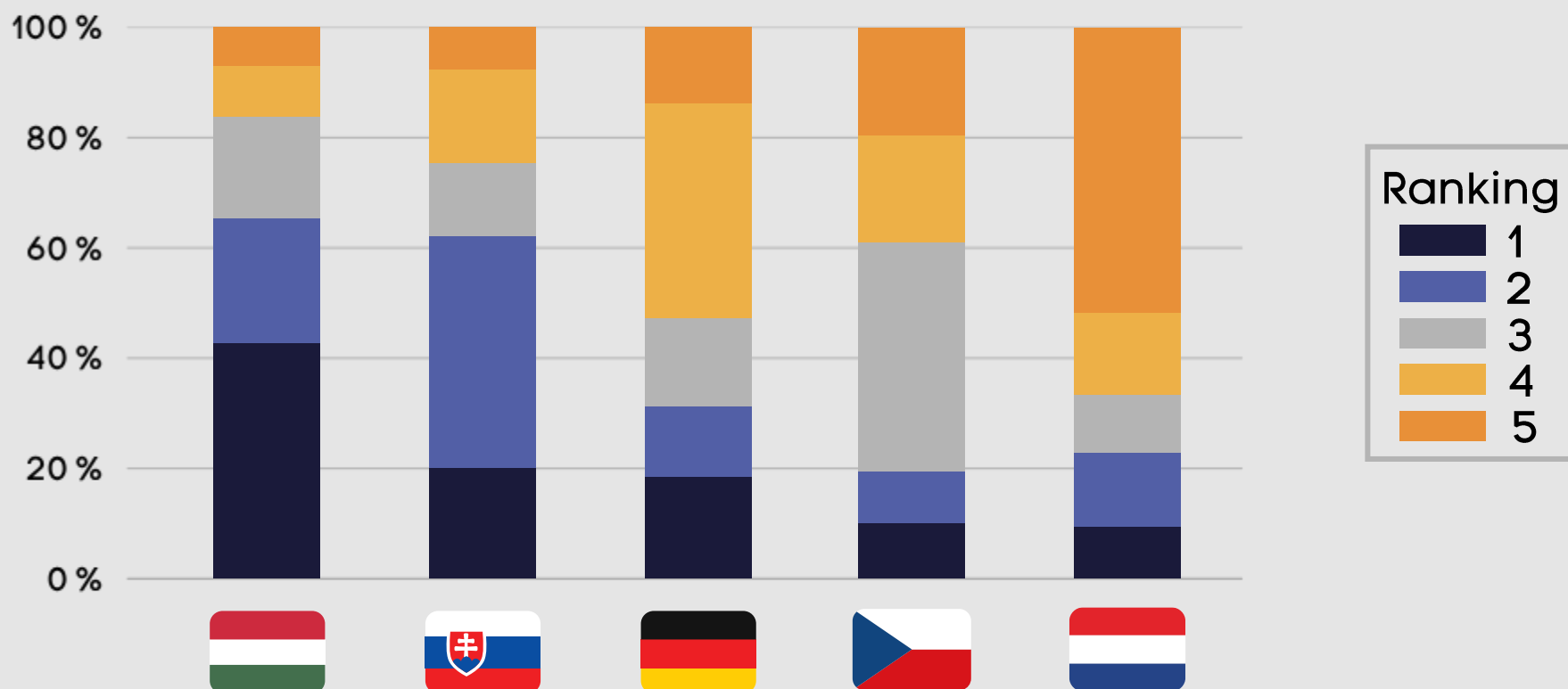
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- Multidisciplinary consortium
- Focusing on social research in the field of media literacy, communication disorders, and strategic communication
- Social research across 9 EU countries (mainly in Czechia and Slovakia) via longitudinal research projects:
 - CEDMO Trends CZ
 - CEDMO Trends SK
 - CEDMO Tracking V4+5

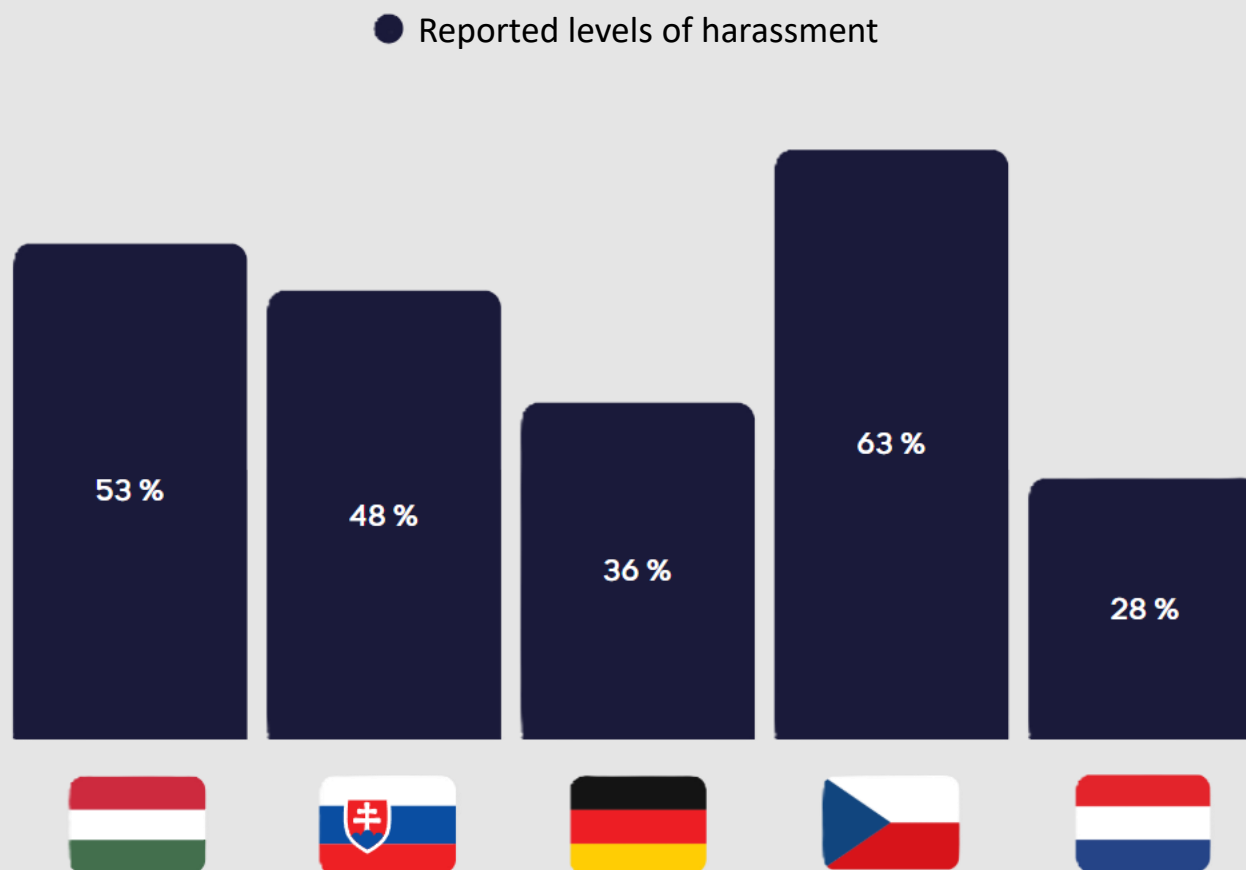
Harassment of LGBT People

Question: Rank the following EU countries according to how frequently, in your opinion, LGBT people are subjected to harassment (verbal attacks, workplace discrimination, public harassment). [1] = very frequent harassment; [5] = no harassment

Distribution by the resulting ranking of countries in the responses of Czech respondents



Harassment of LGBT People



Perceived Causes of Suicidal Thoughts and Mental Disorders in the LGBT Population (Verified Statements)

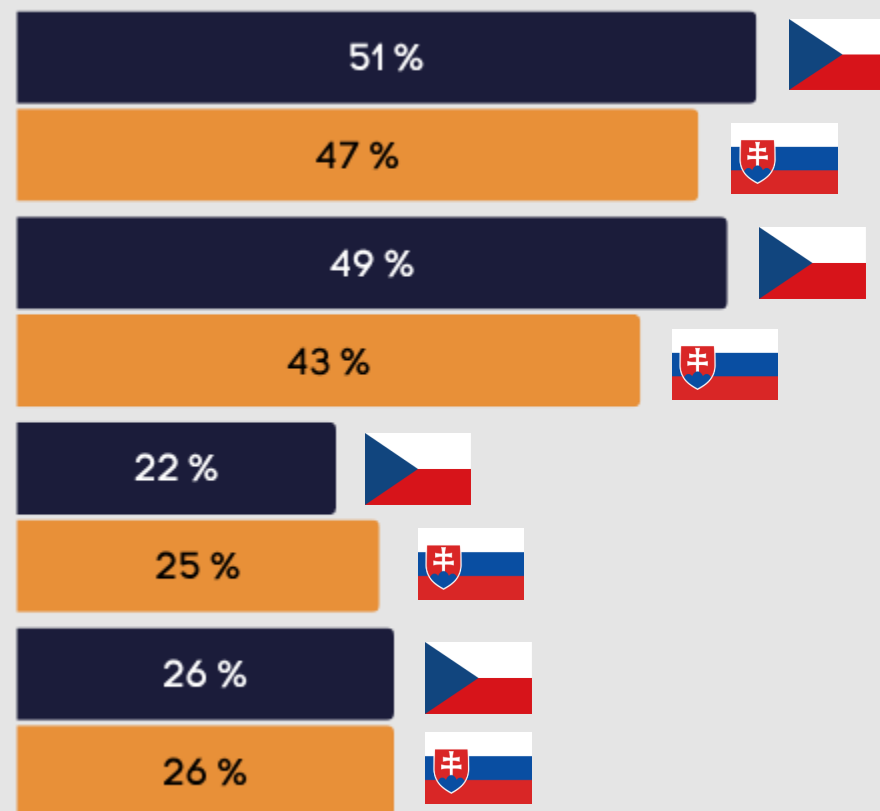
**Question: While 1 in 20 heterosexuals has suicidal thoughts, among gay men and lesbians it is one in four or five.*
What do you think are the causes of this disparity?**

Higher rates of family rejection and lack of support during childhood

Long-term exposure to discrimination, prejudice, and social rejection creates chronic stress

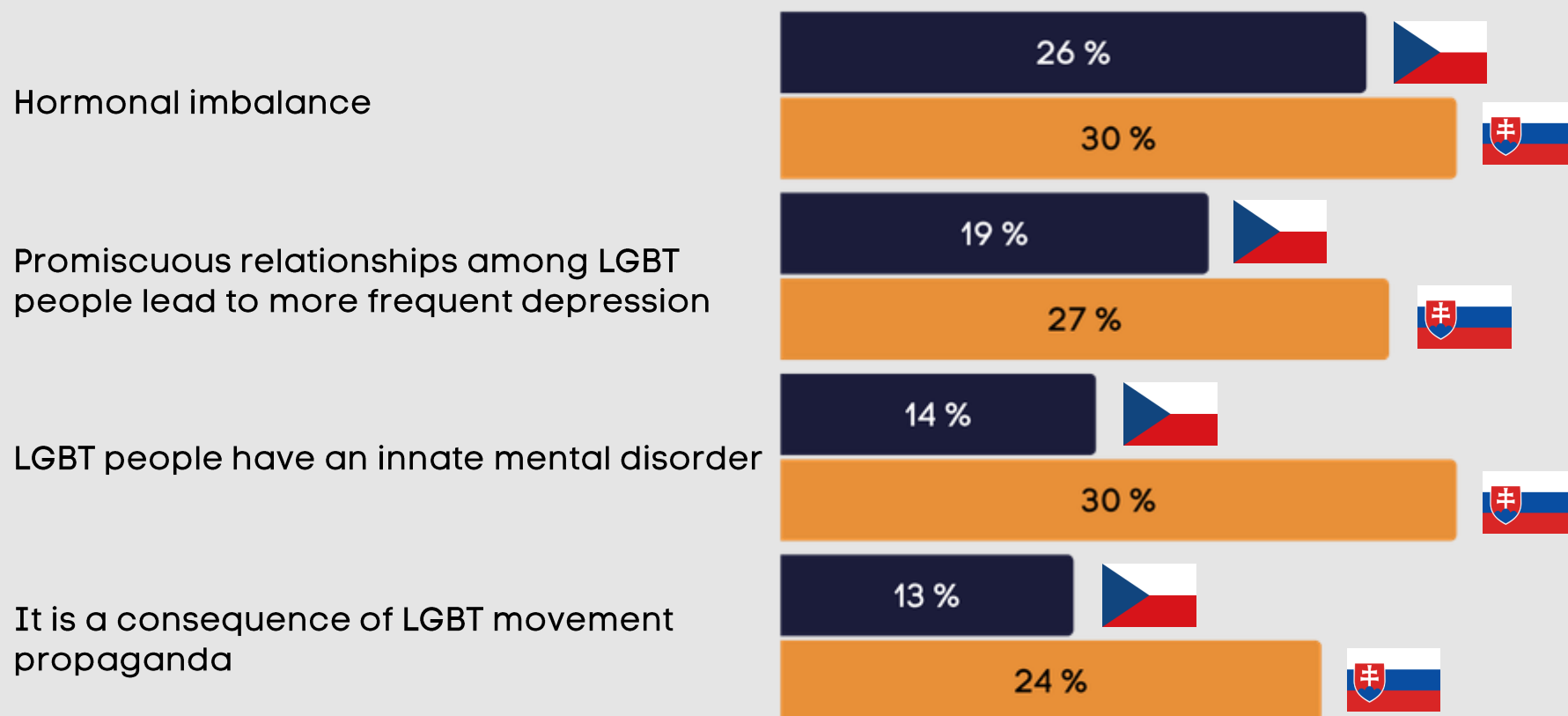
Lack of legal protection (lack of penalties for hate speech against these people)

Deep-seated internalized prejudices lead to self-hatred



Perceived Causes of Suicidal Thoughts and Mental Disorders in the LGBT Population (Unsubstantiated or Refuted Claims)

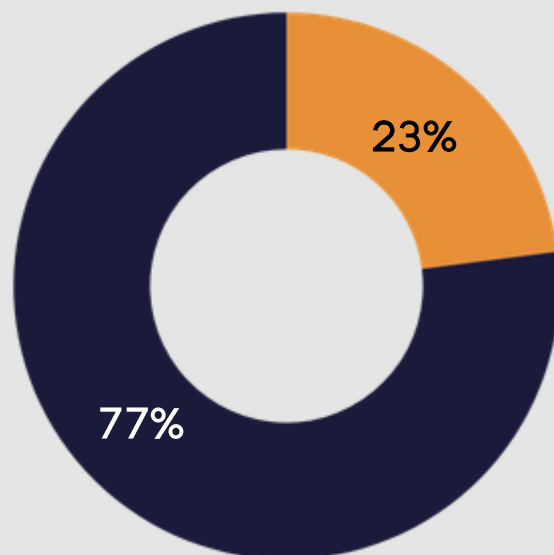
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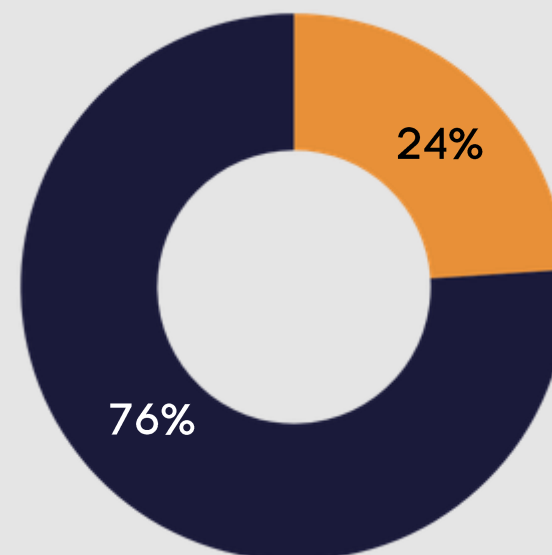
LGBT Colleagues at Work

Question: Do you know any colleagues at your workplace who openly identify as LGBT?

Czech Republic



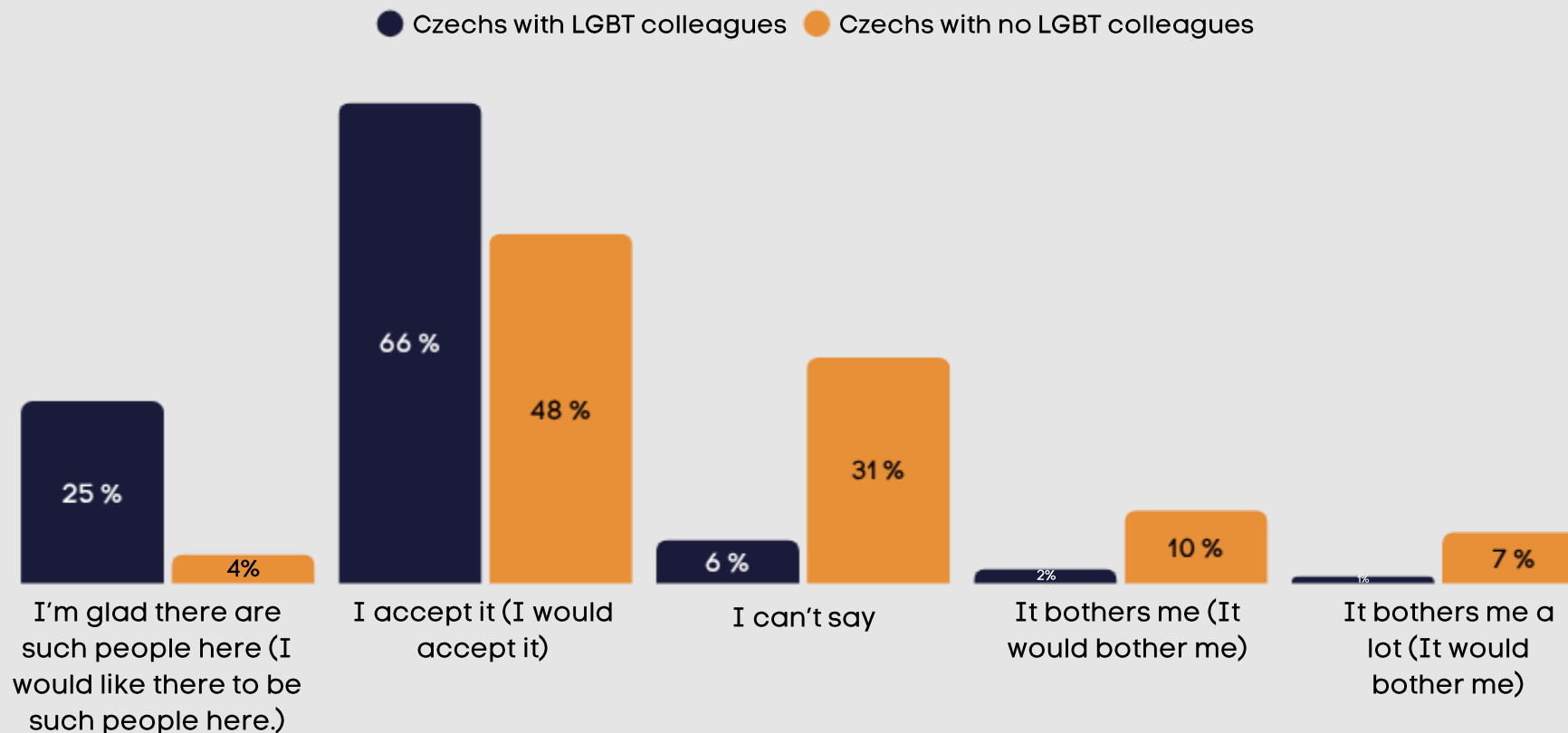
Slovakia



 Yes  No

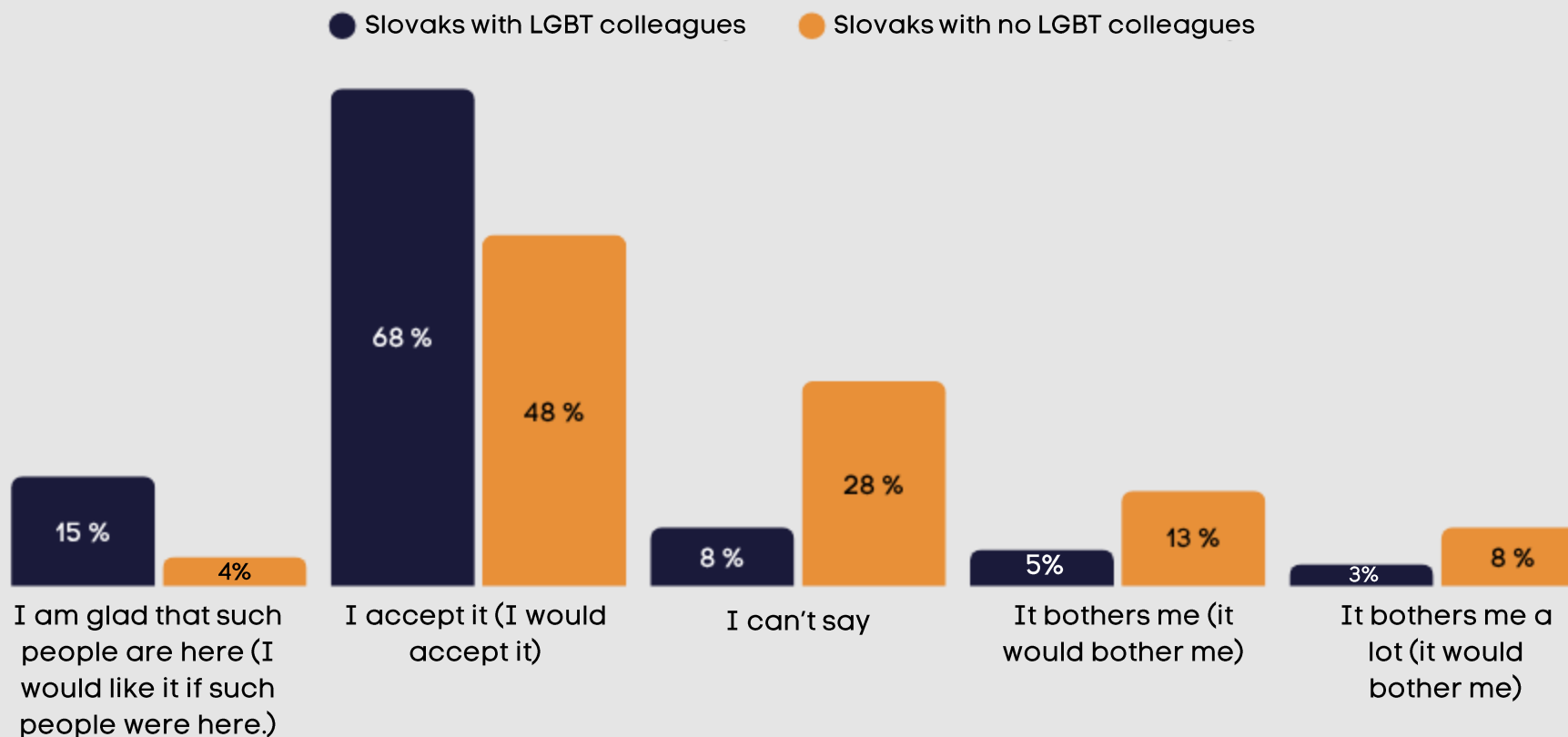
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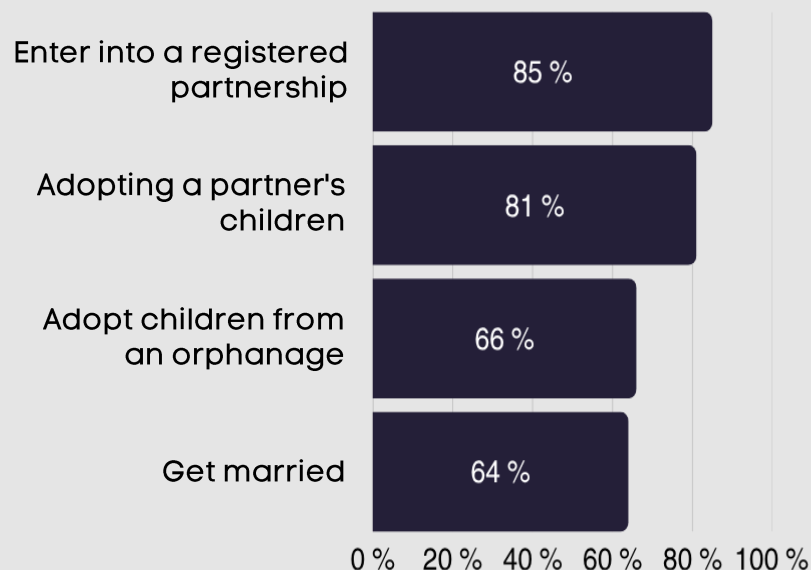
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Public Attitudes Toward Gay Rights

Percentage of citizens who agree that people with a homosexual orientation should have certain rights



Frequency of agreement with the rights of people with a homosexual orientation among respondents who do (not) have a homosexual acquaintance—totals of “DEFINITELY YES” and “RATHER YES” responses

	Among acquaintances has a gay friend	Among acquaintances does not have a gay friend
Enter into a registered partnership	90%	79%
Adopt a partner's children	85%	73%
Adopt children from an orphanage	73%	55%
Enter into marriage	72%	53%

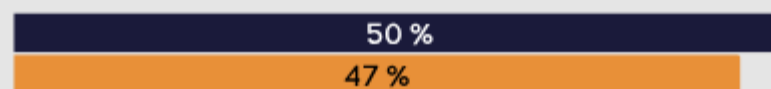
May/June 2025, N = 1 712
aged 15 and older

Reasons for Supporting Marriage Equality

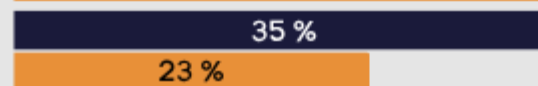
Question: What personal reasons lead you to your stance?

● Czechia ● Slovakia

It is my personal conviction.



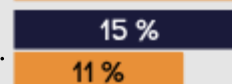
I view this issue as a matter of fundamental human rights.



I believe that the state should protect and preserve traditional institutions; it should not change them.



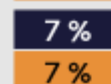
My opinion has been influenced by LGBT people I know personally.



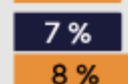
I was raised with this view.



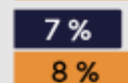
My stance has been influenced by information about LGBT people that I have learned from the media or through stories.



My opinion has been influenced by public discussions and debates I have followed in the media.



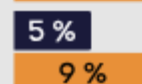
My opinion is also influenced by the current political situation, the direction of society, and concerns about the possible impacts of hate speech.



My opinion is based on my religious beliefs.



My opinion is based on scientific studies I have read on this topic.



Perceived Consequences of Legalizing Marriage for All

Question: If this were to become law, what do you think the consequences would be?

Economic benefits for the state (higher tax revenues, savings in public administration, reduced burden on the courts) ●

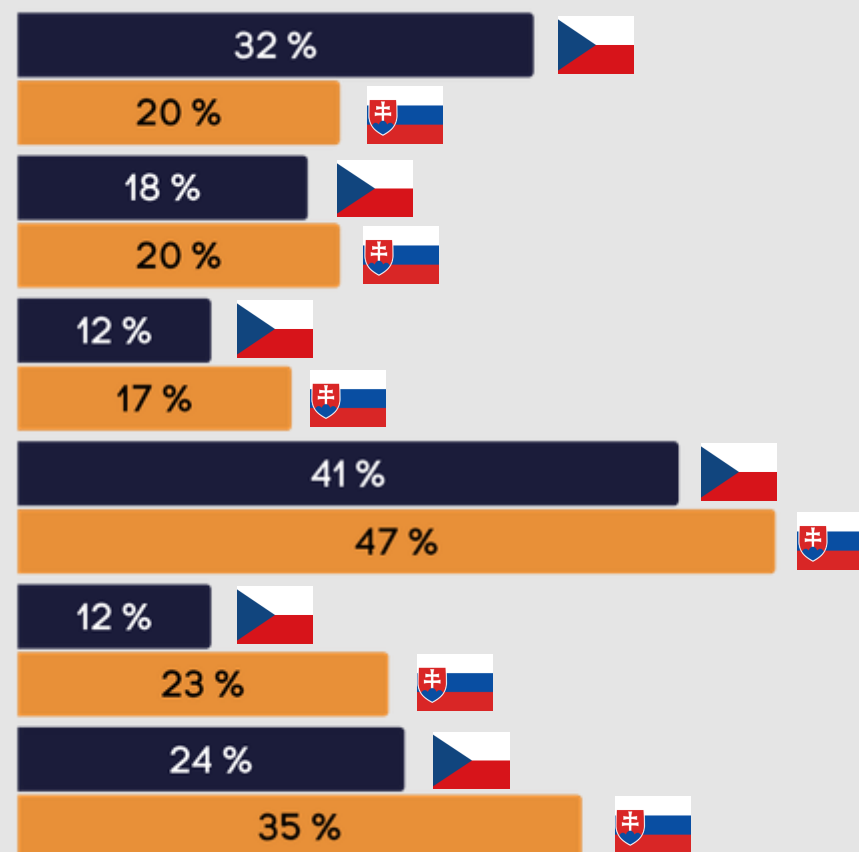
Health benefits for LGBT people ●

The divorce rate among heterosexual couples will increase, thereby threatening the institution of the traditional family ●

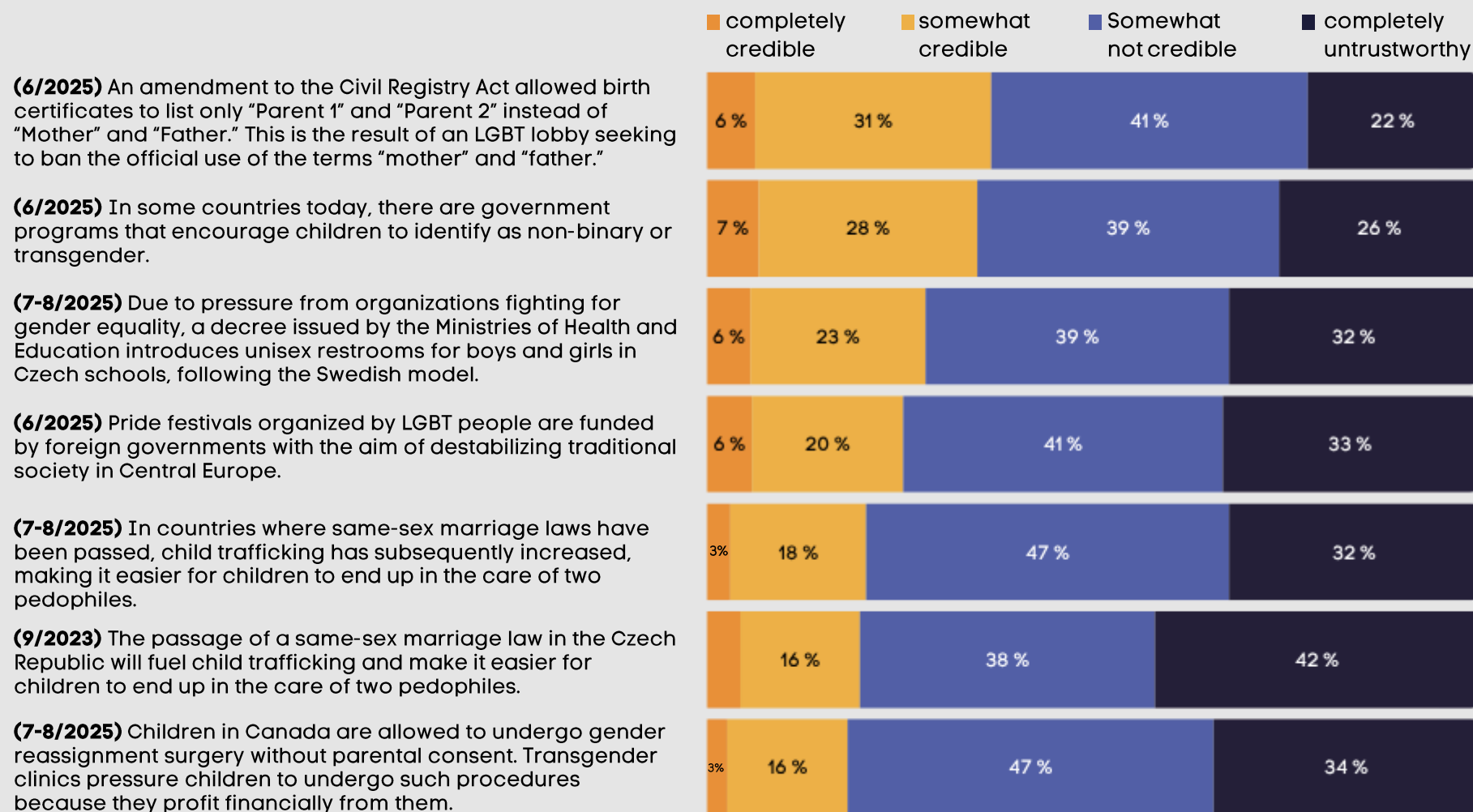
Children of these couples will be at a disadvantage because they need both a mother and a father for healthy development, which may also affect their academic performance ●

Cases of pedophilia and incest will increase ●

It will have a negative impact on the birth rate; fewer children will be born ●



The Credibility of Disinformation Narratives on LGBT Issues



Research methodology for Czechia

Sample sizes 2 856 respondents

Survey dates June 13, 2025 – June 29, 2025

Data collection method Online survey of a respondent panel (CAWI)

Representativity

Quota sampling. The survey is representative of the general population of the Czech Republic aged 16 and older based on basic sociodemographic variables (gender, age, education, region, and size of place of residence), employment status, and past voting behavior (2021 Czech Chamber of Deputies elections, 2023 presidential election second round).

Contractor and Client

The research is conducted by MEDIAN, s.r.o. (a member of SIMAR) exclusively for Charles University – CEDMO.

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Research Methodology for Slovakia

Sample sizes	1 526 respondents
Survey dates	June 2, 2025 – June 20, 2025
Data collection method	Online survey of a respondent panel (CAWI)

Representativity

Quota sampling. The survey is representative of the general population of Slovakia aged 16 and older based on basic sociodemographic variables (gender, age, education, region, and size of place of residence).

Researcher and Client

The research is conducted by Ipsos (a member of SAVA and SIMAR) exclusively for Charles University – CEDMO.

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