

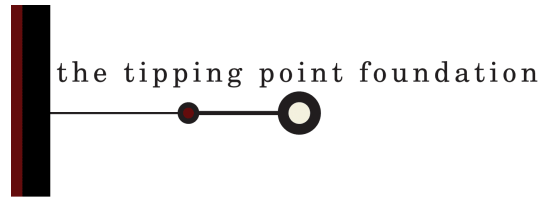
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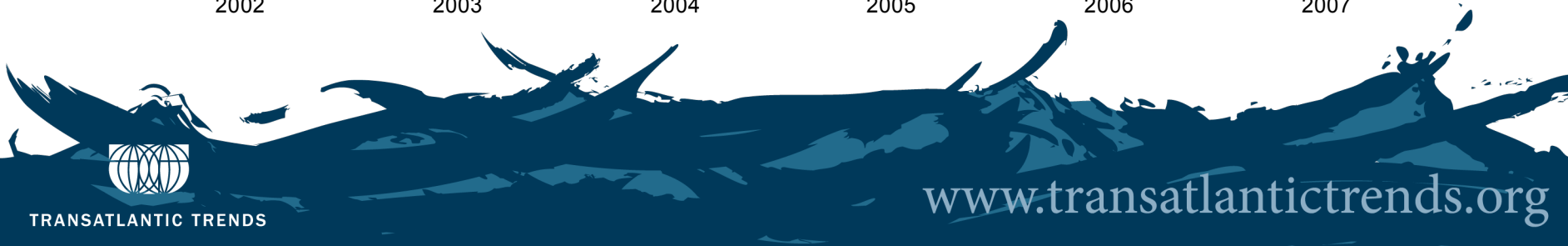
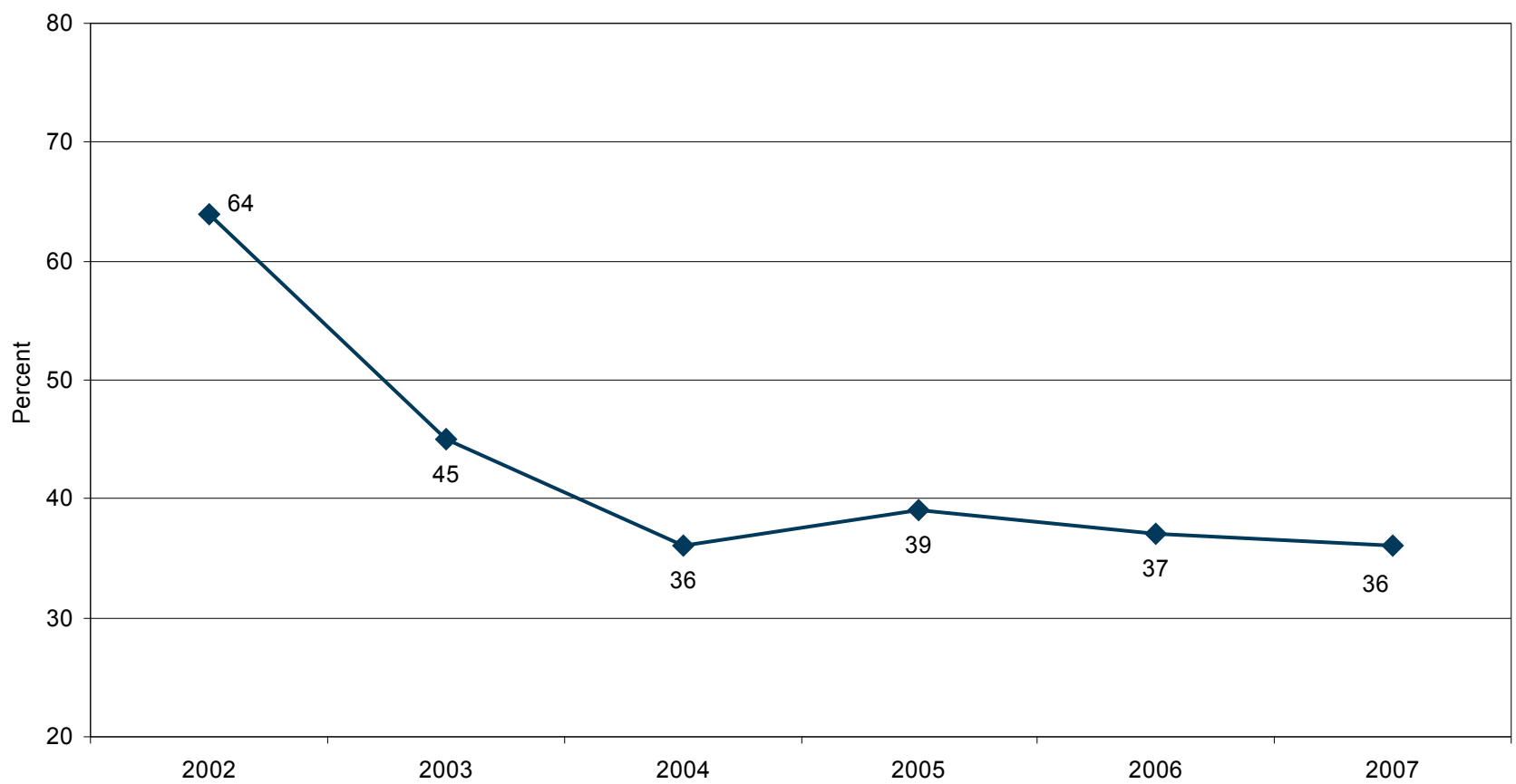
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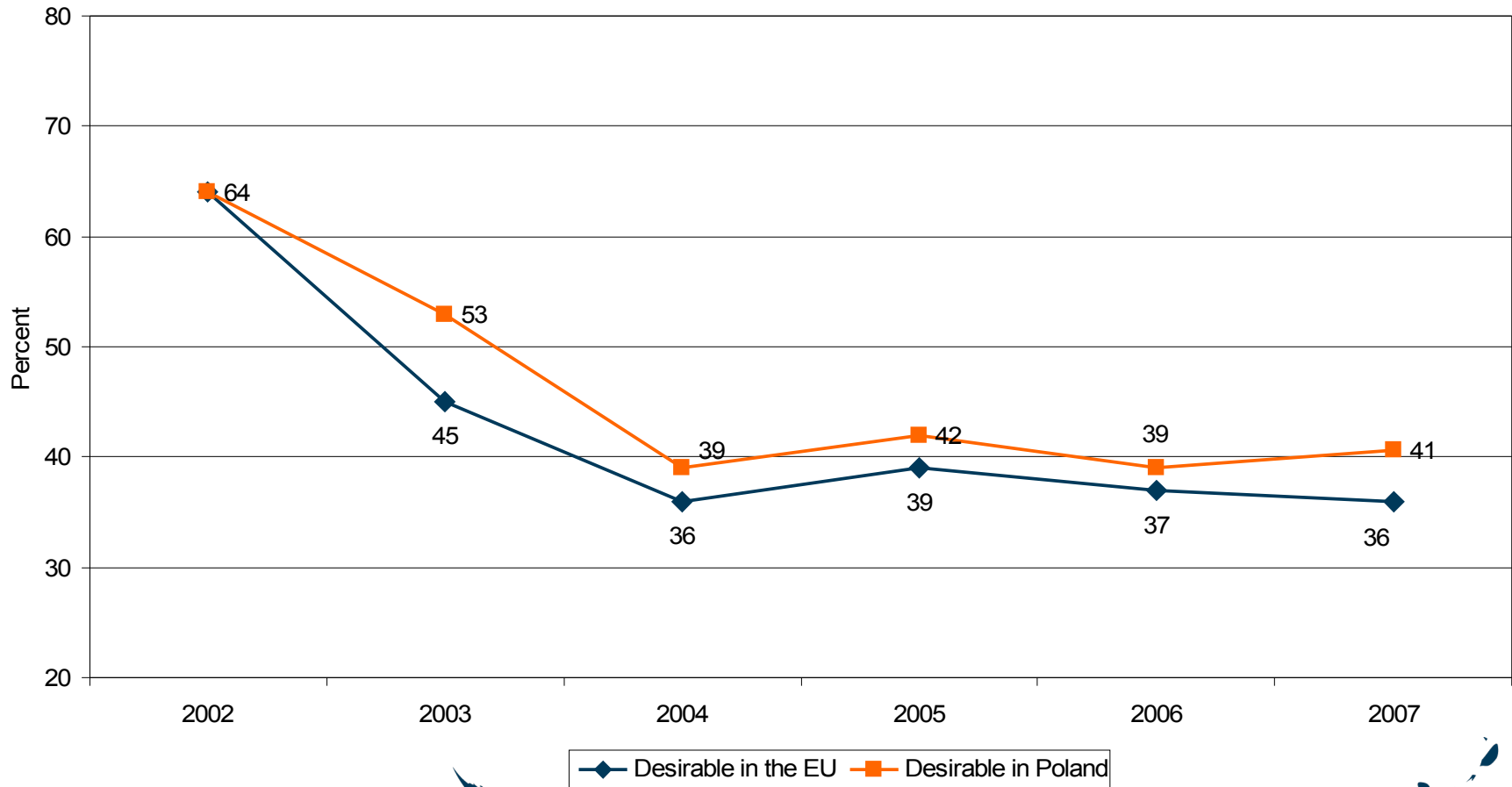
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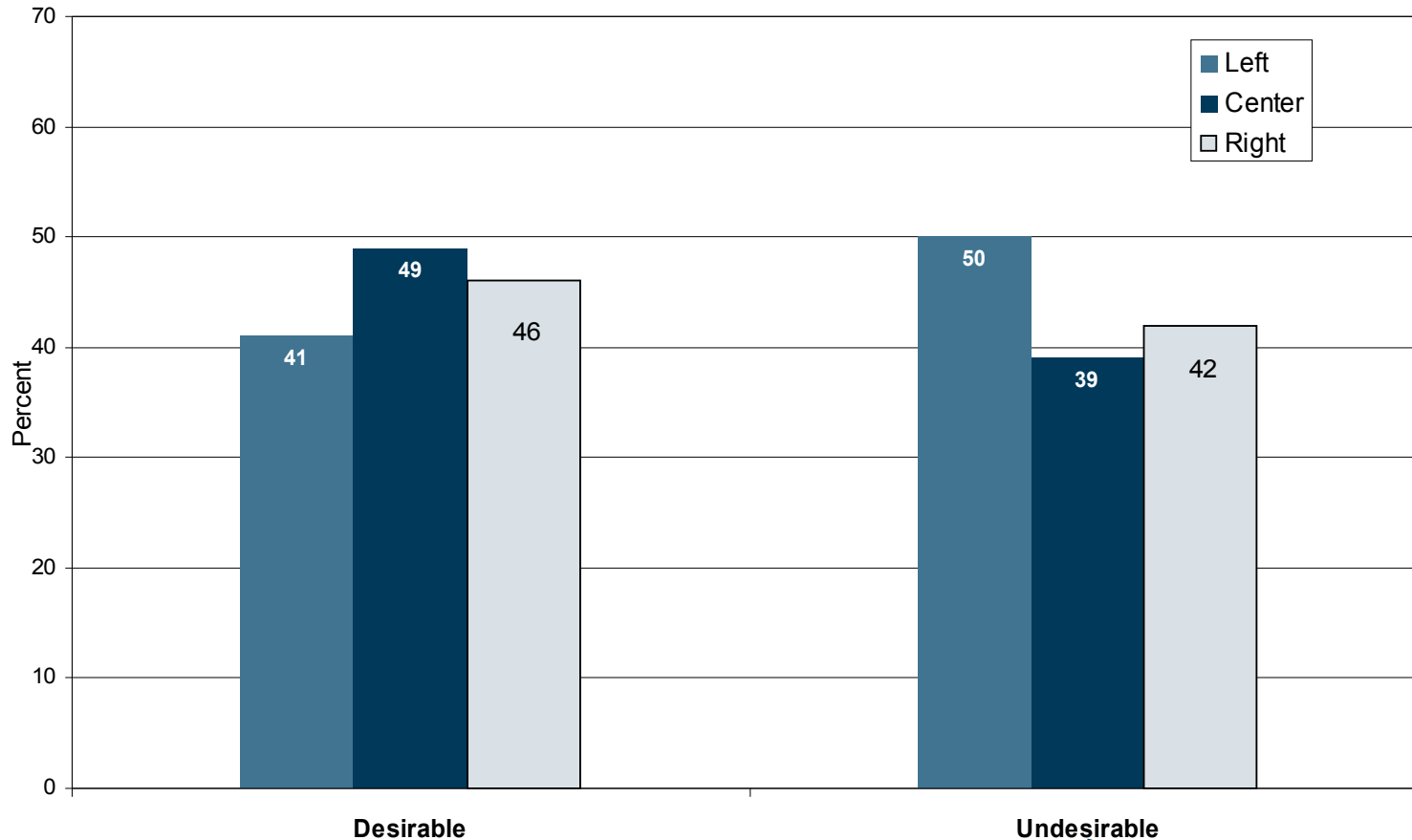
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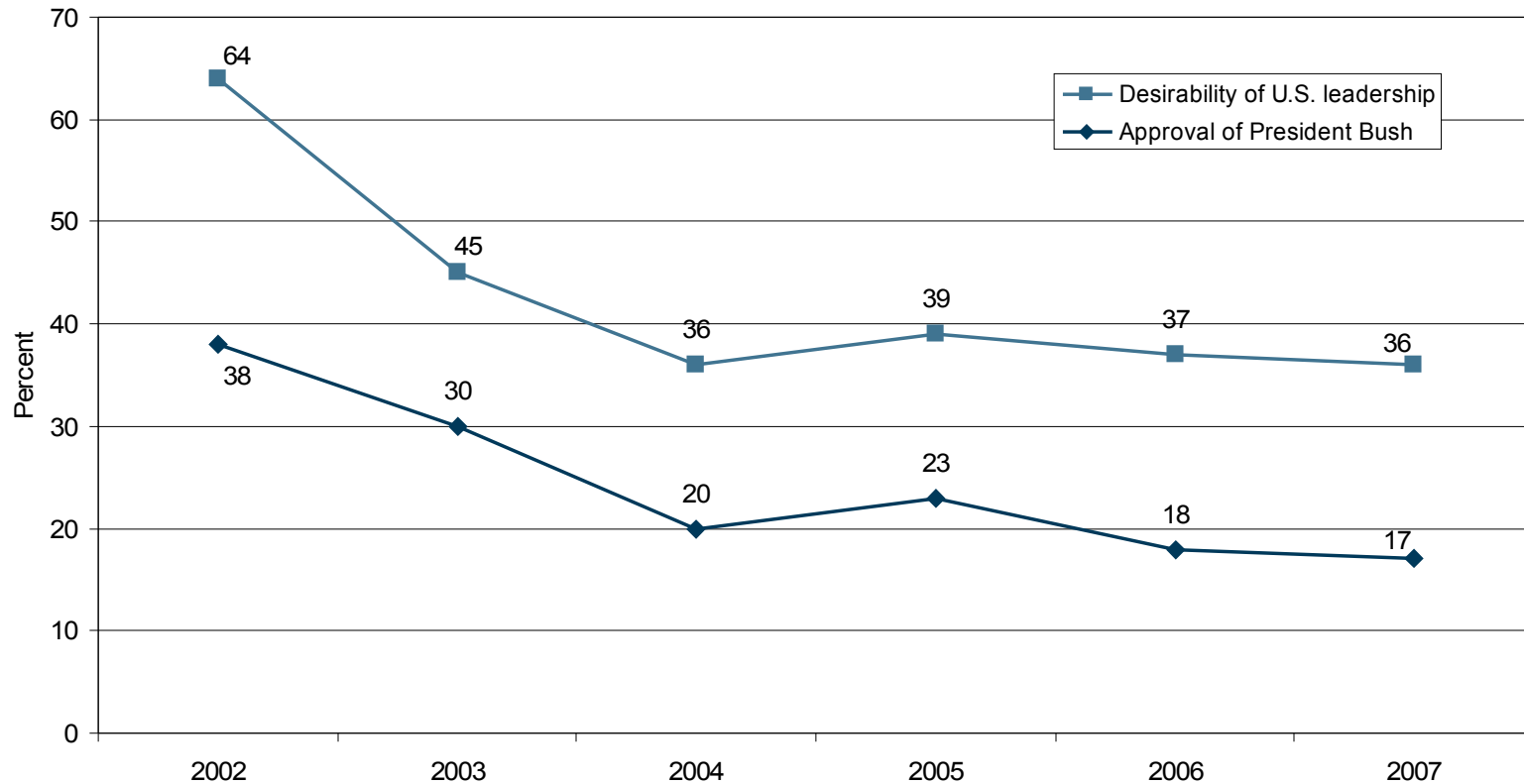
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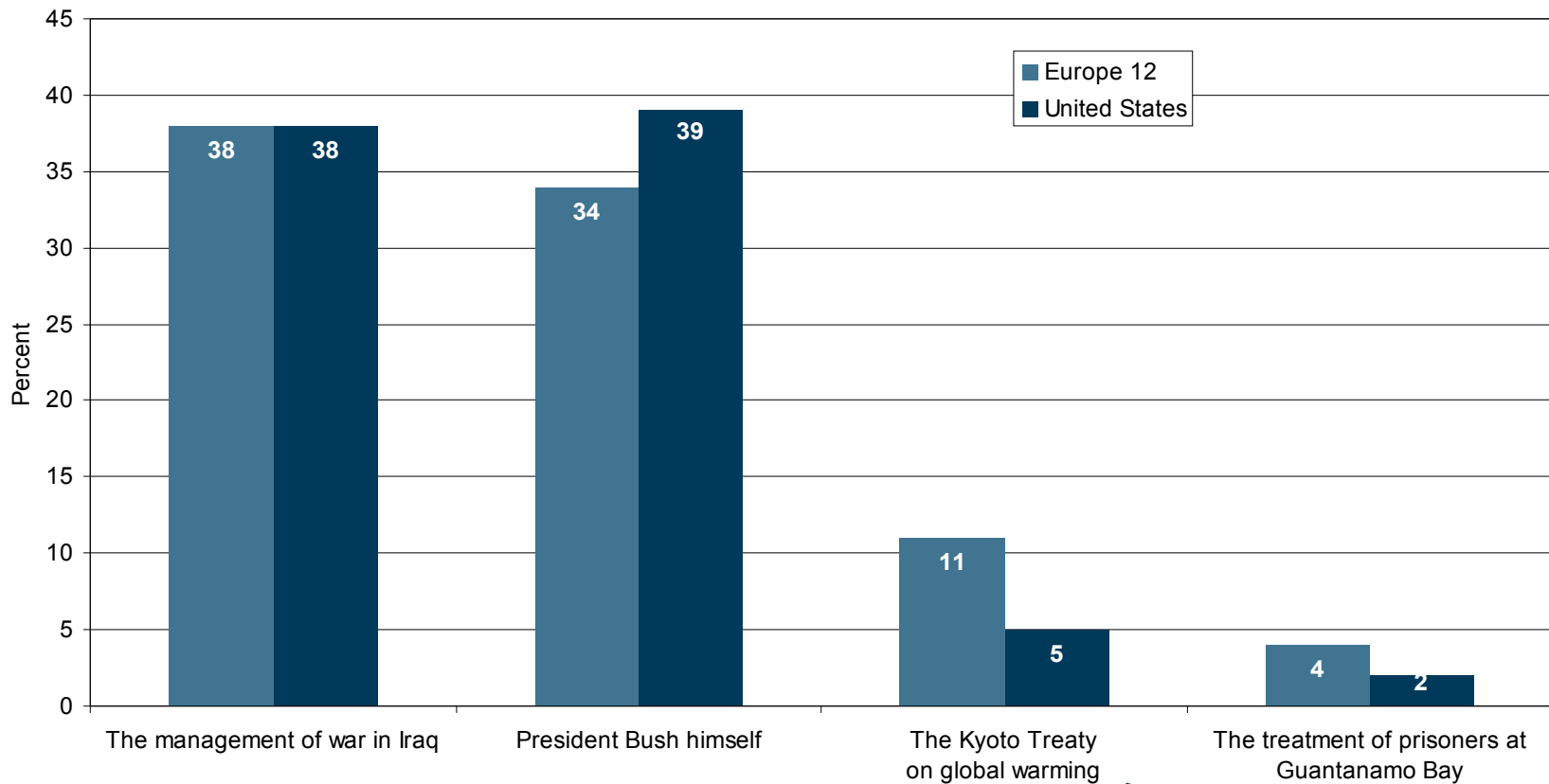
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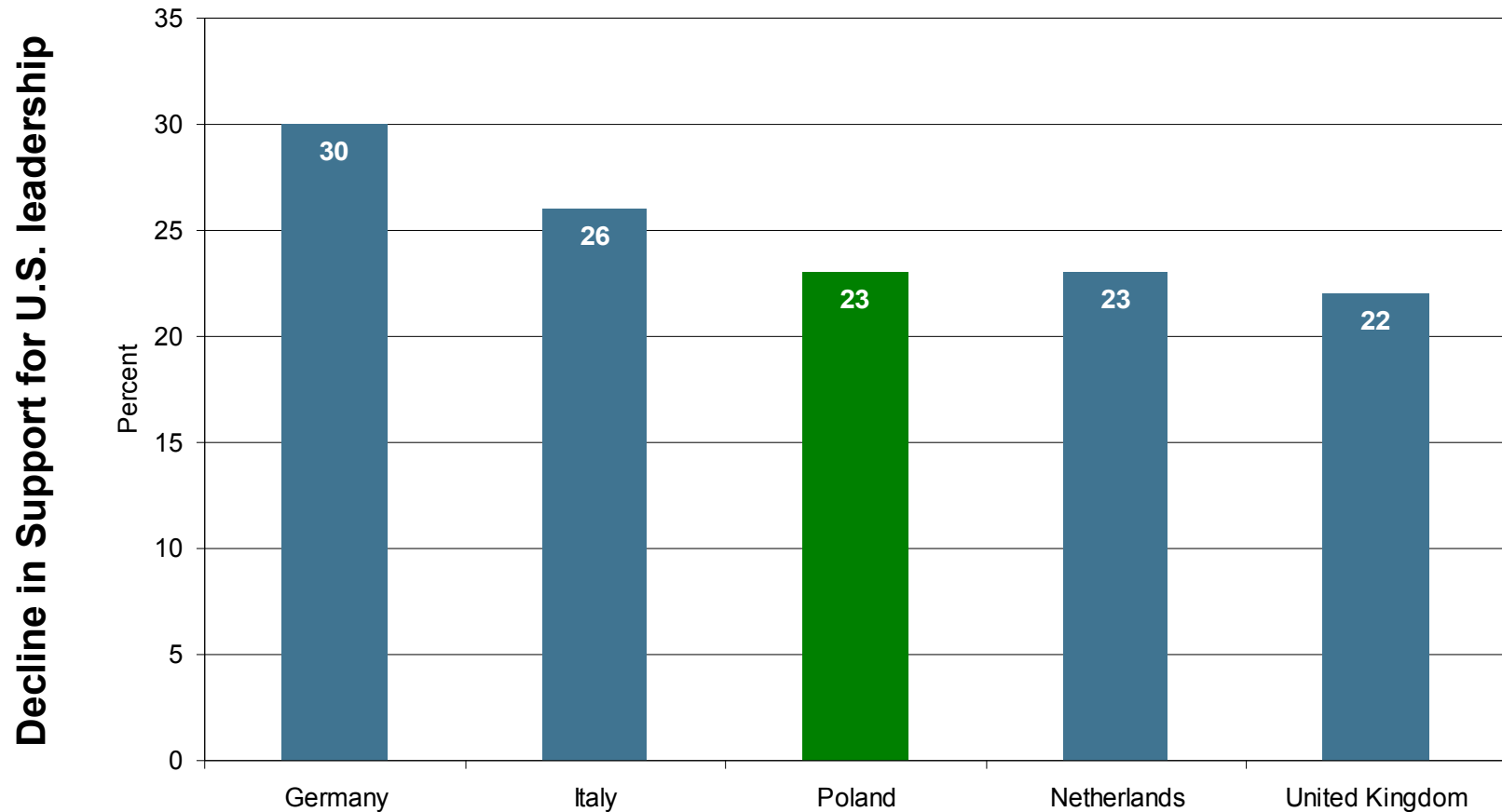
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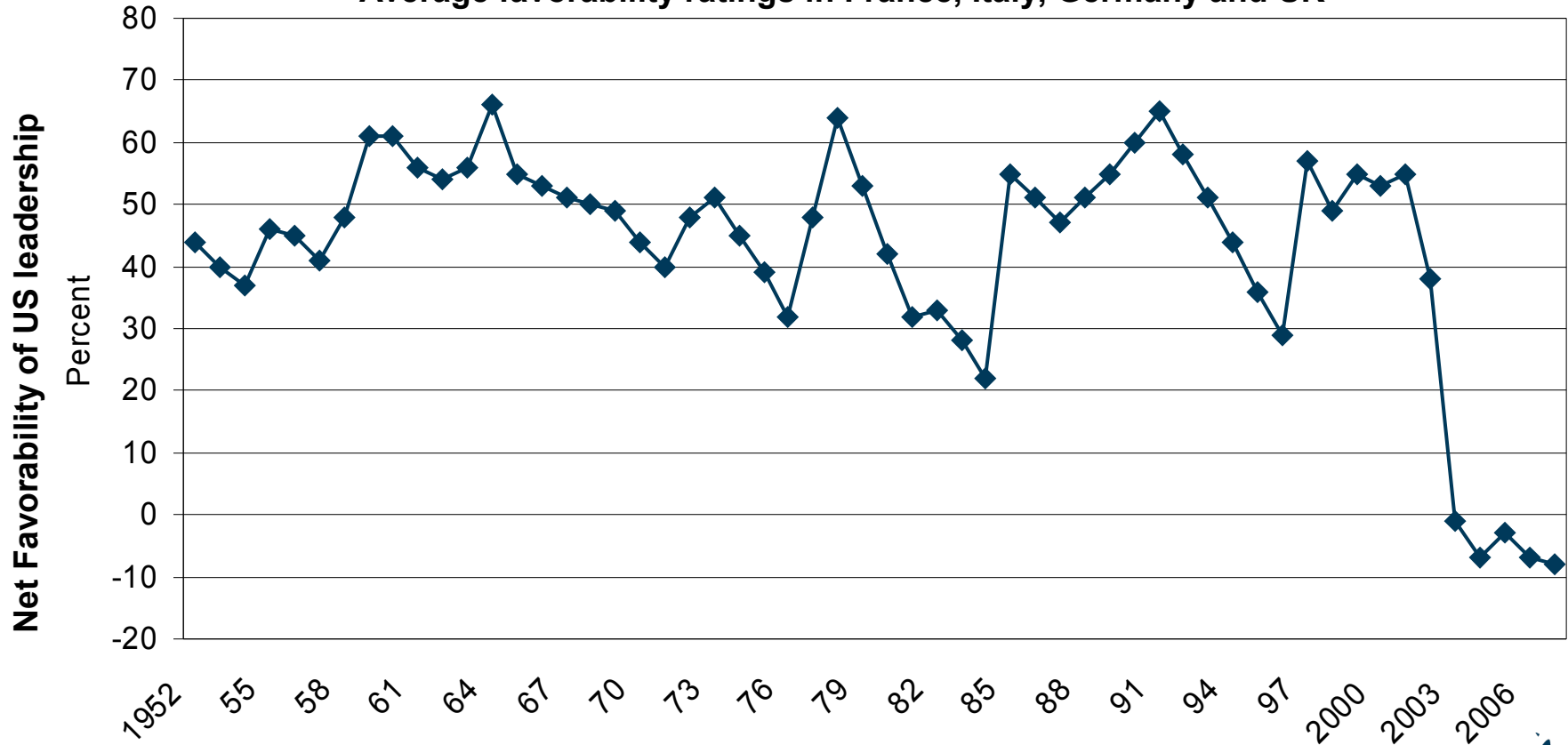


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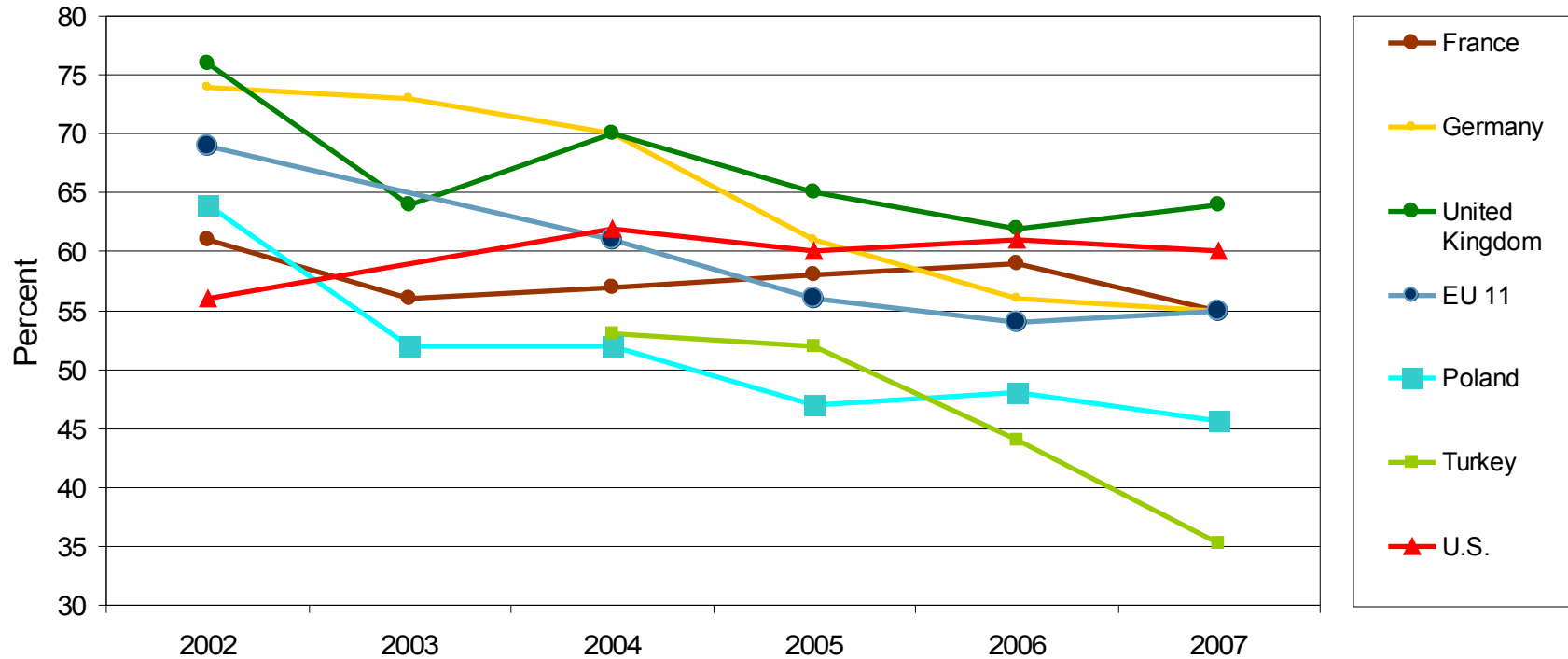


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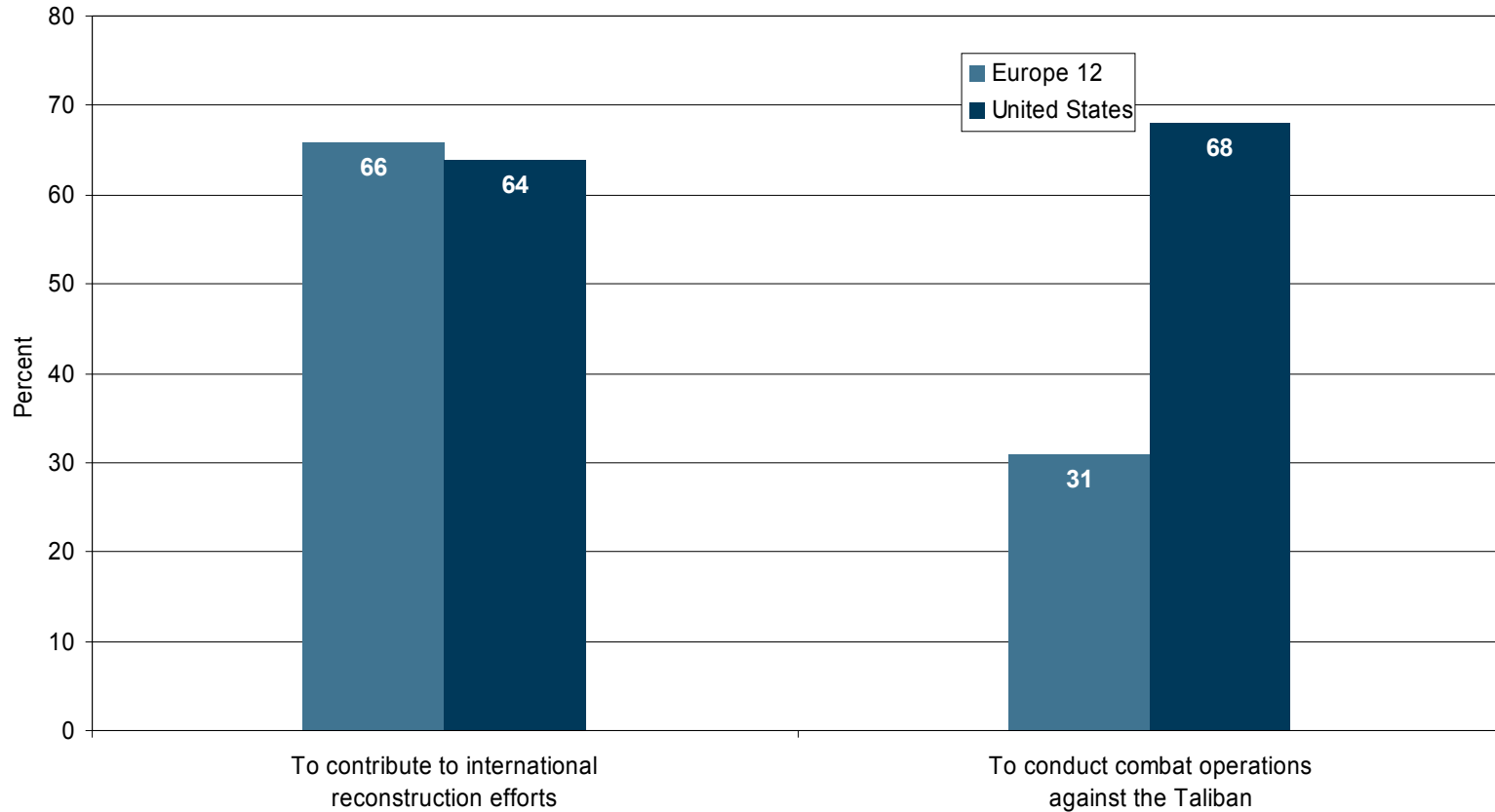
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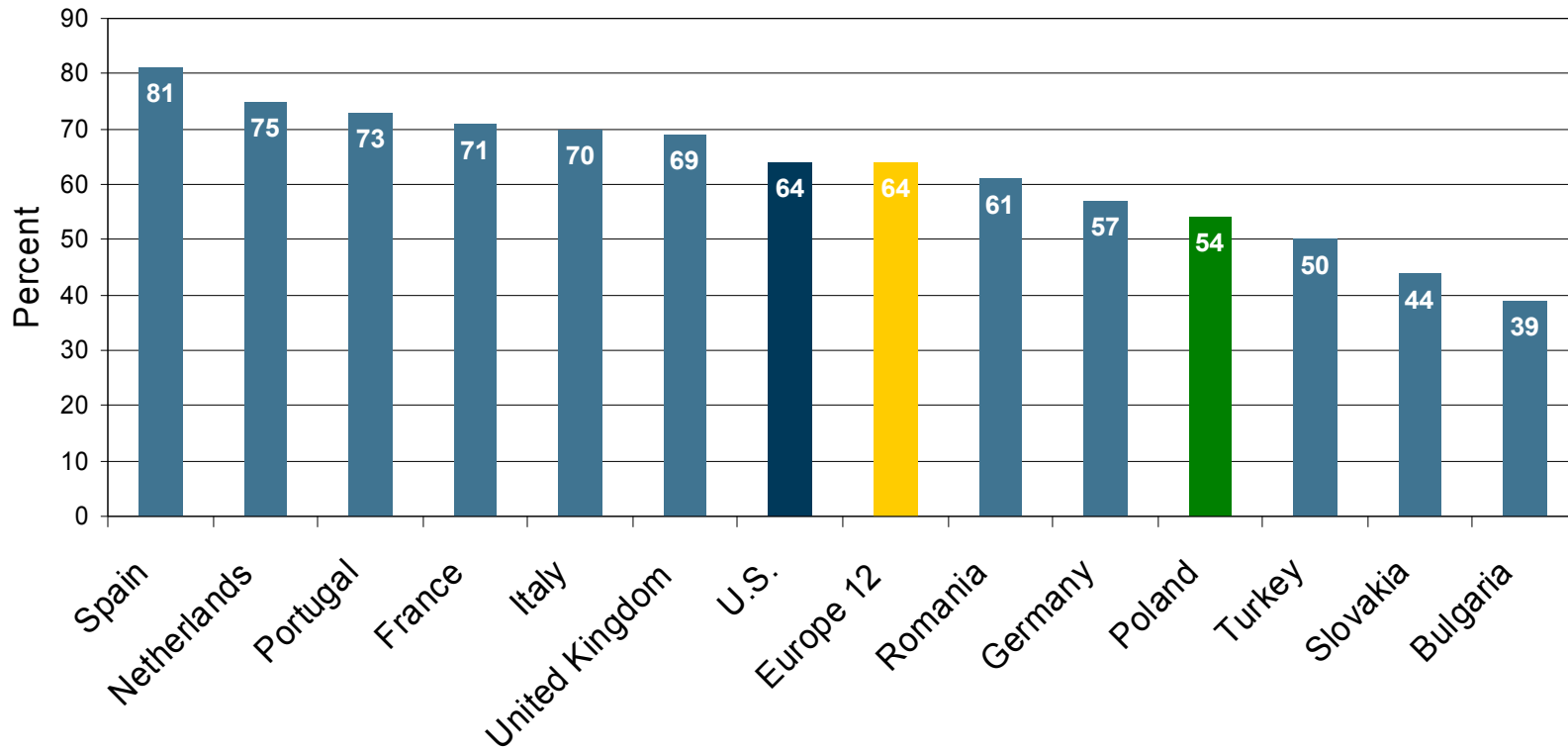
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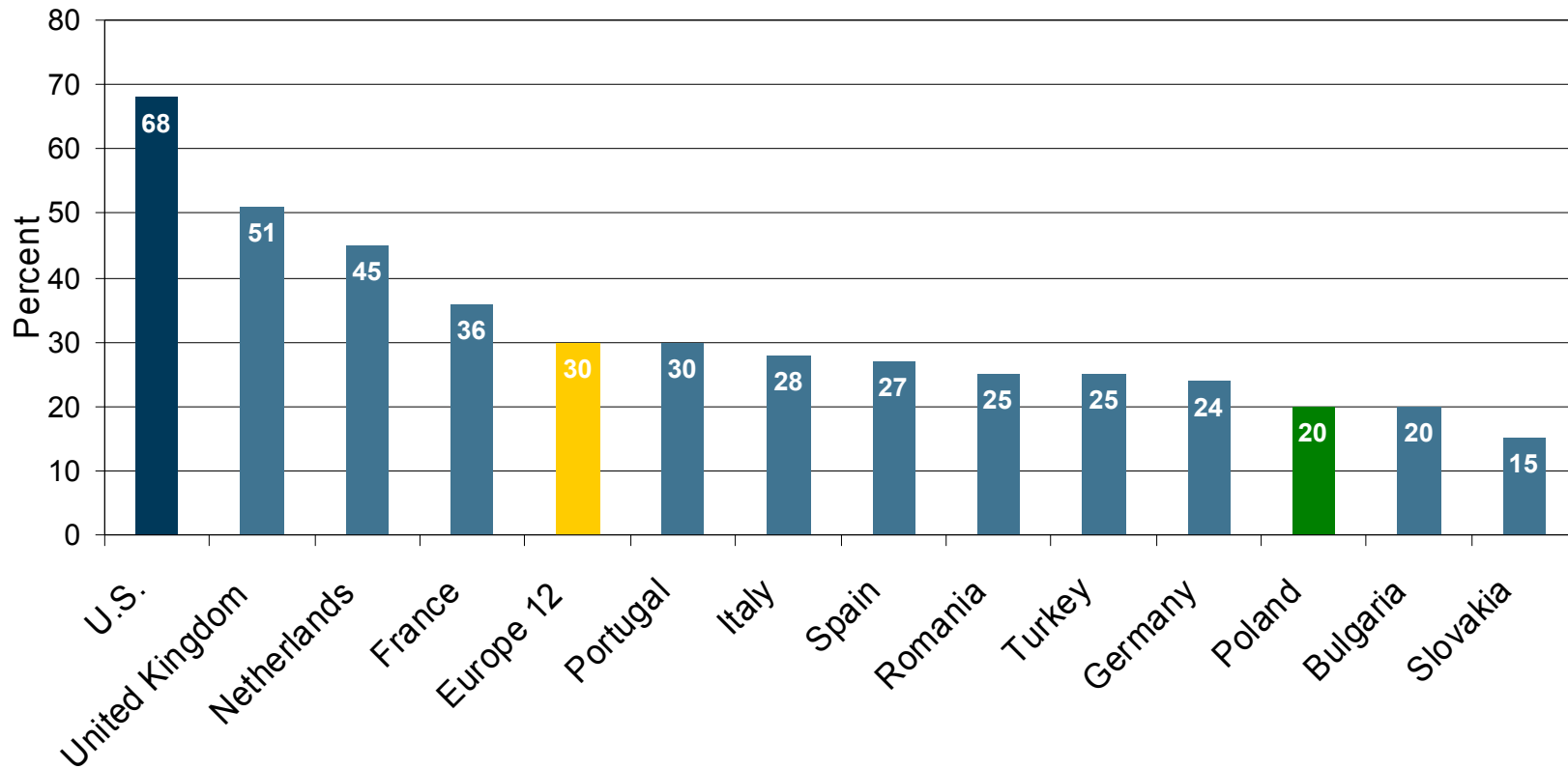
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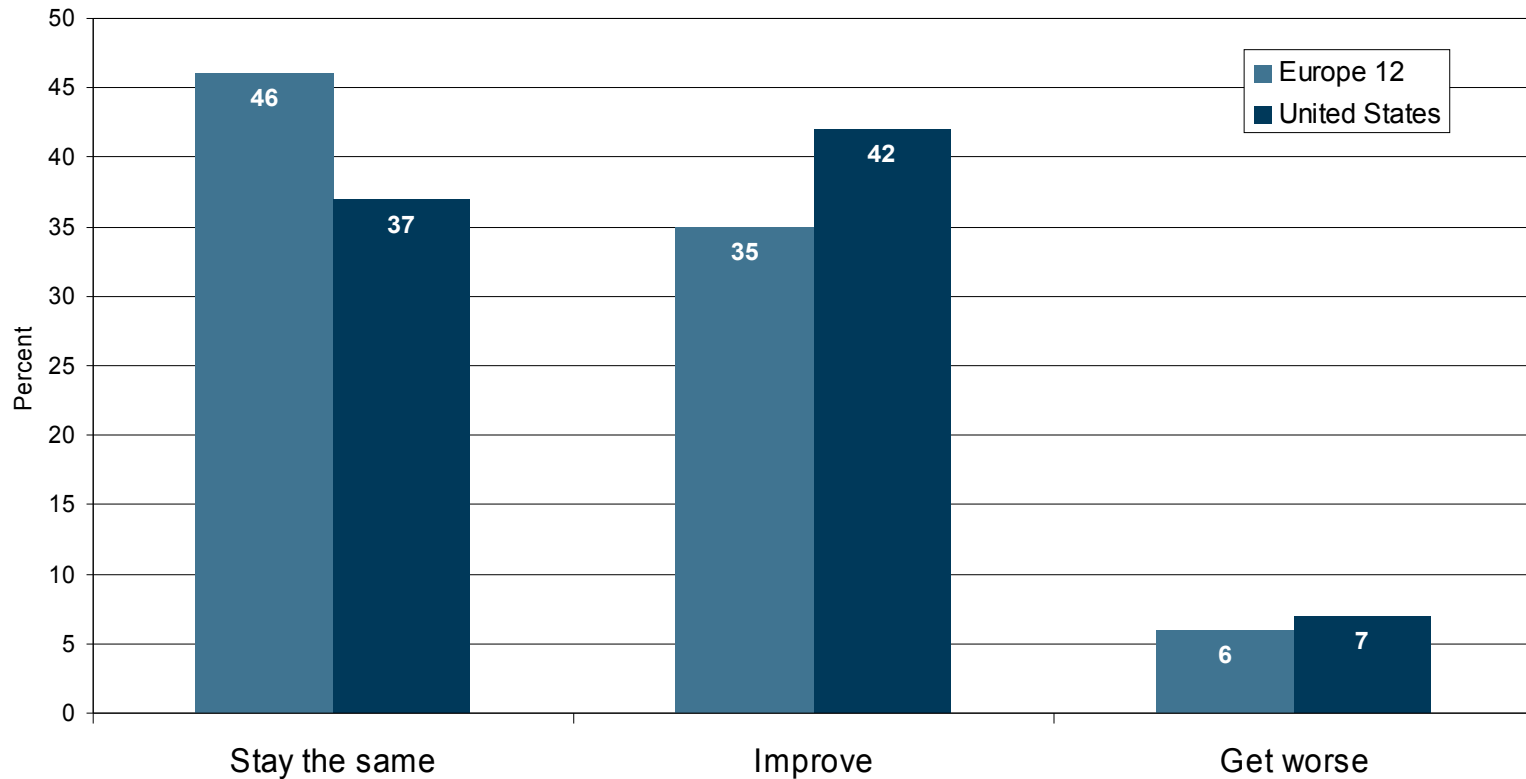
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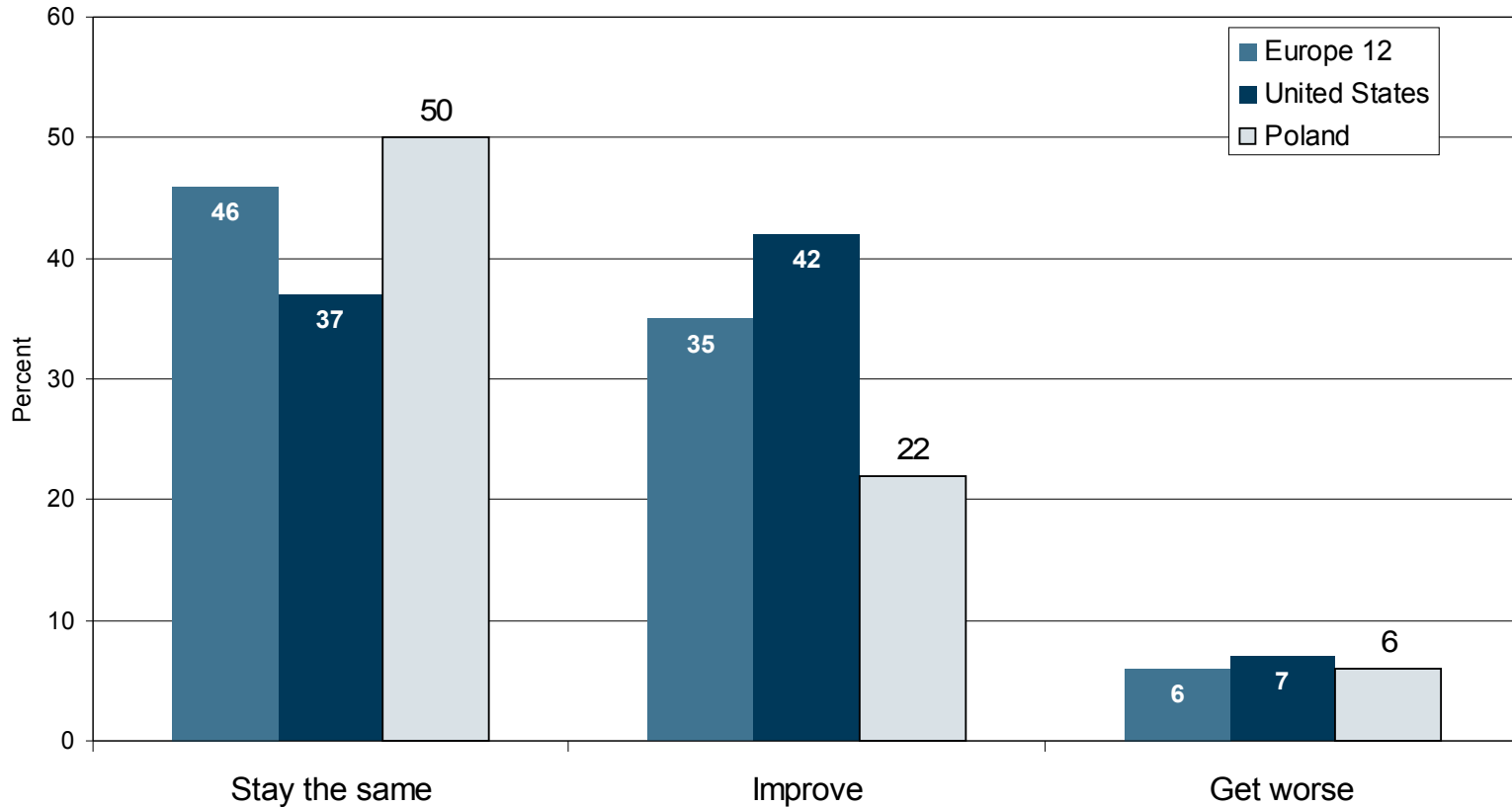
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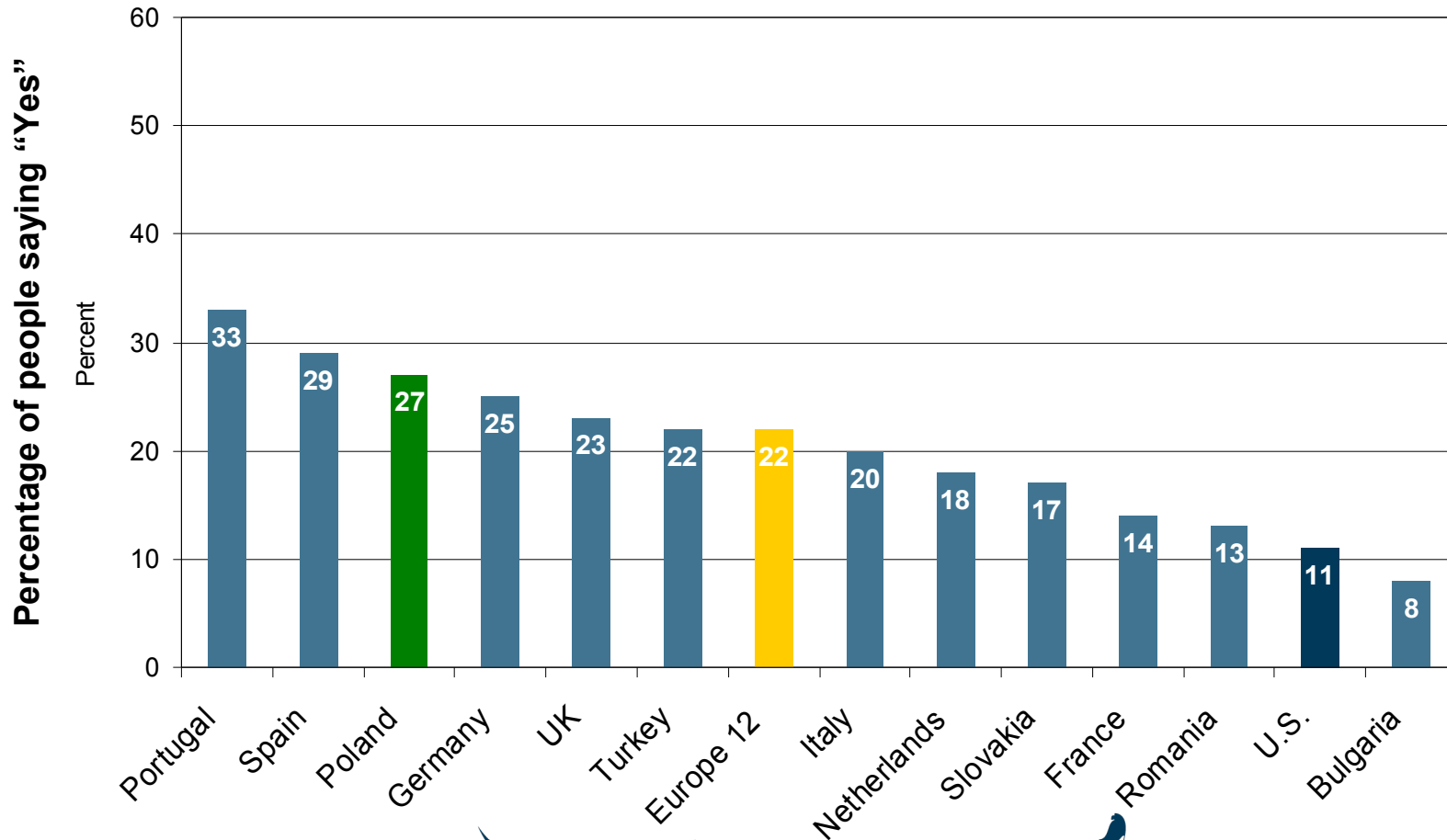
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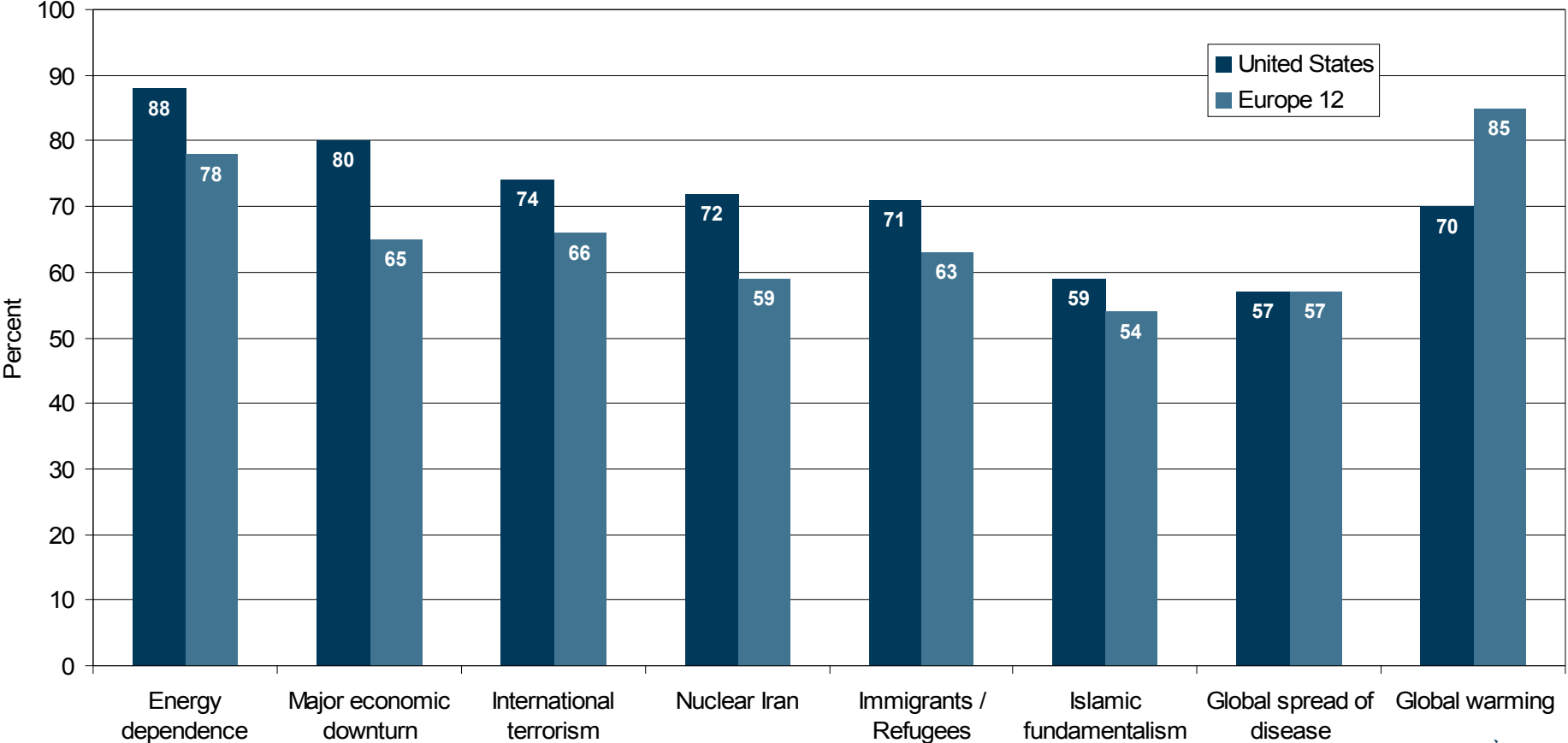


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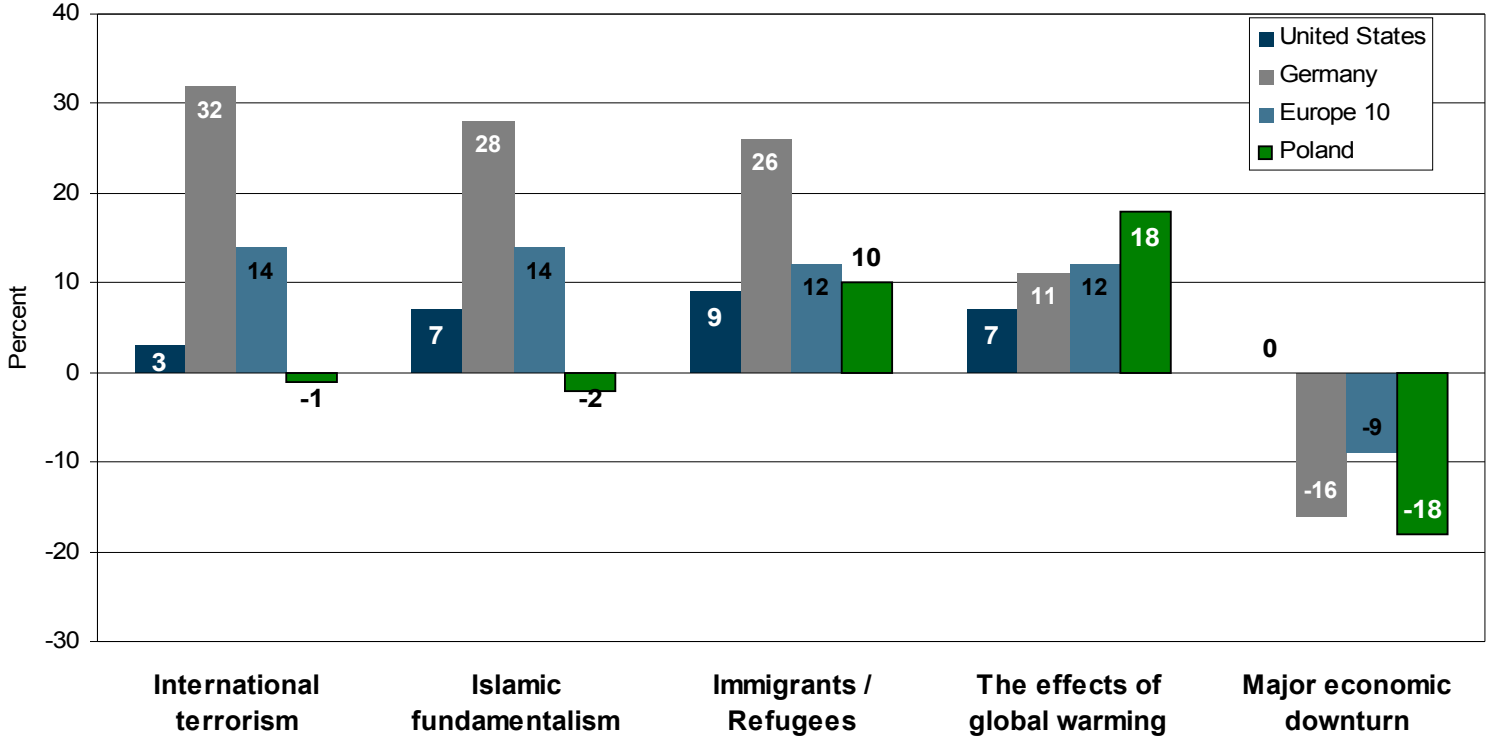


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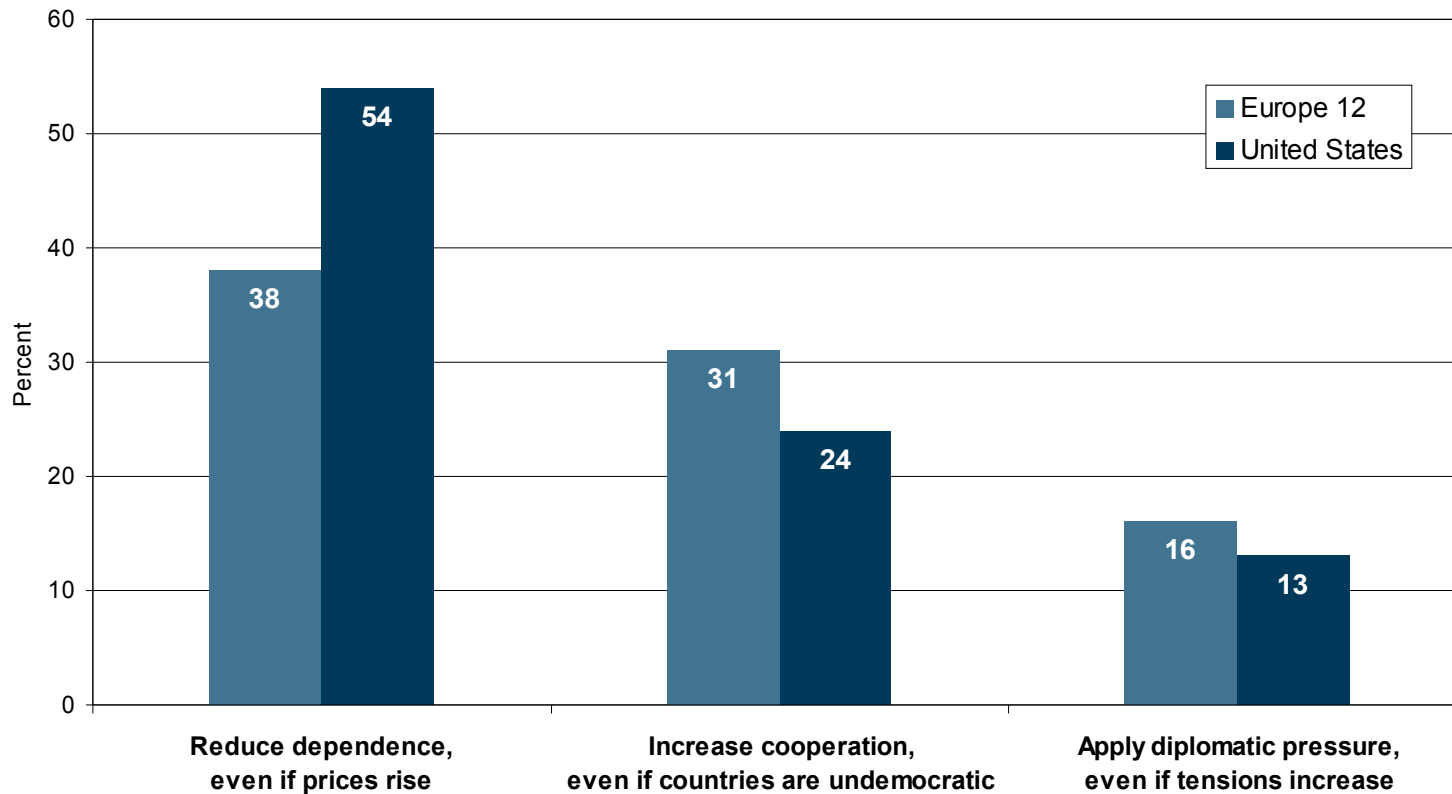


Is Europe – esp. Germany – Feeling more Threatened? 2005-2007

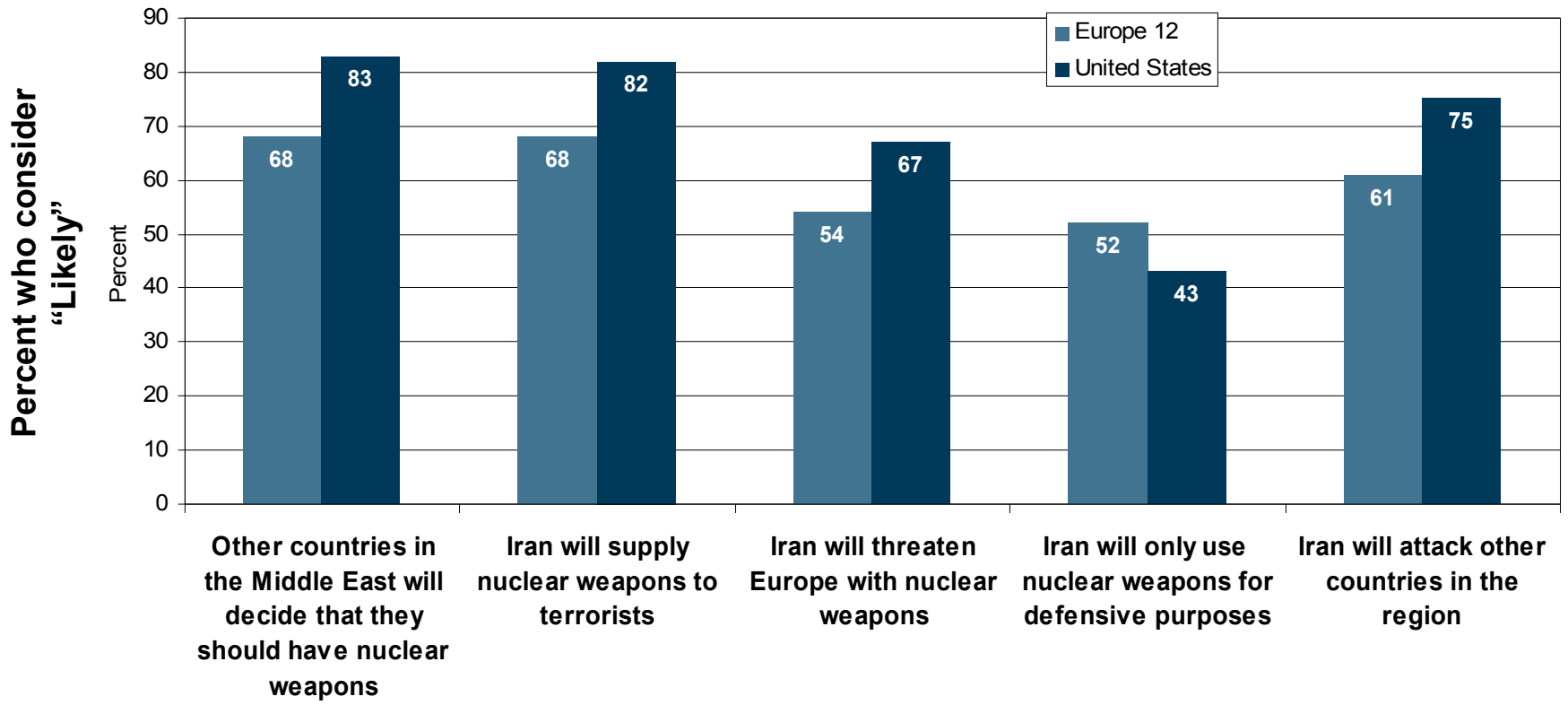
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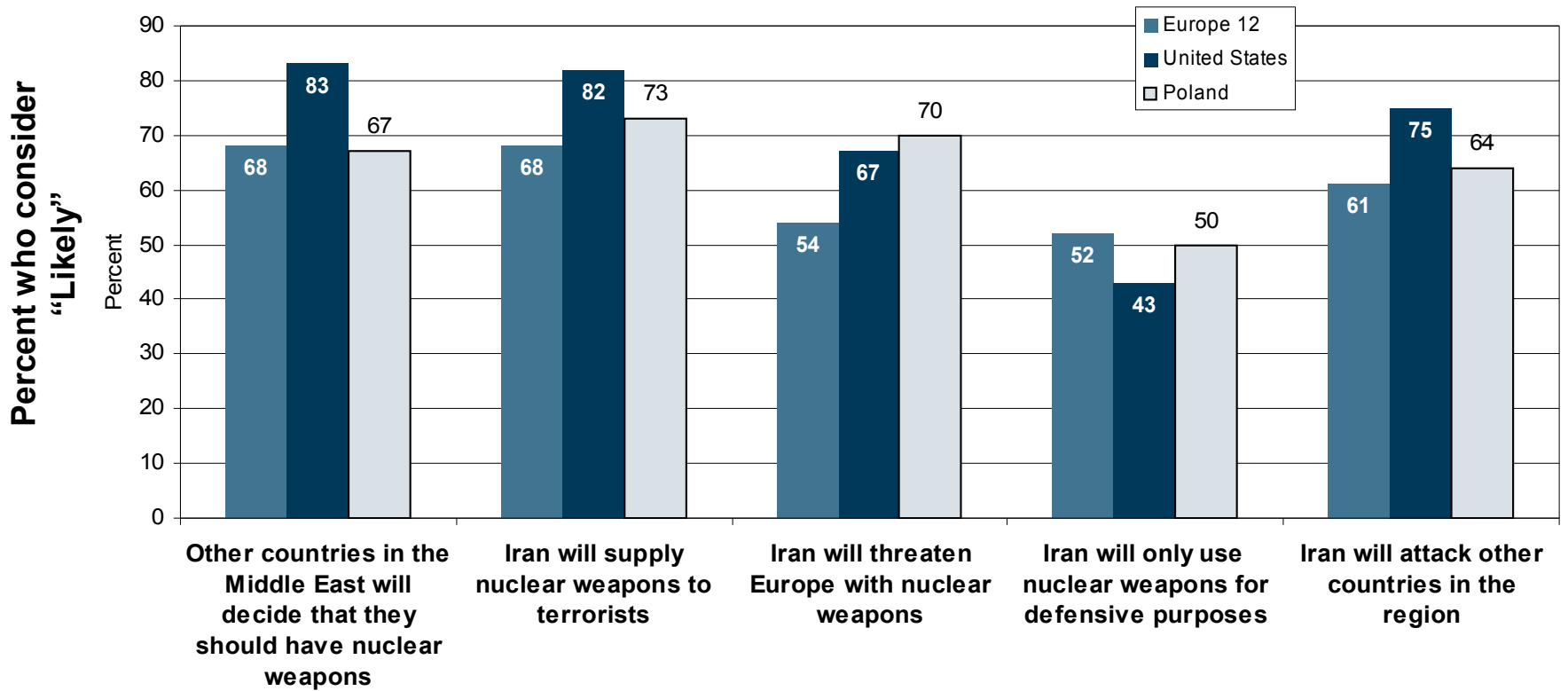
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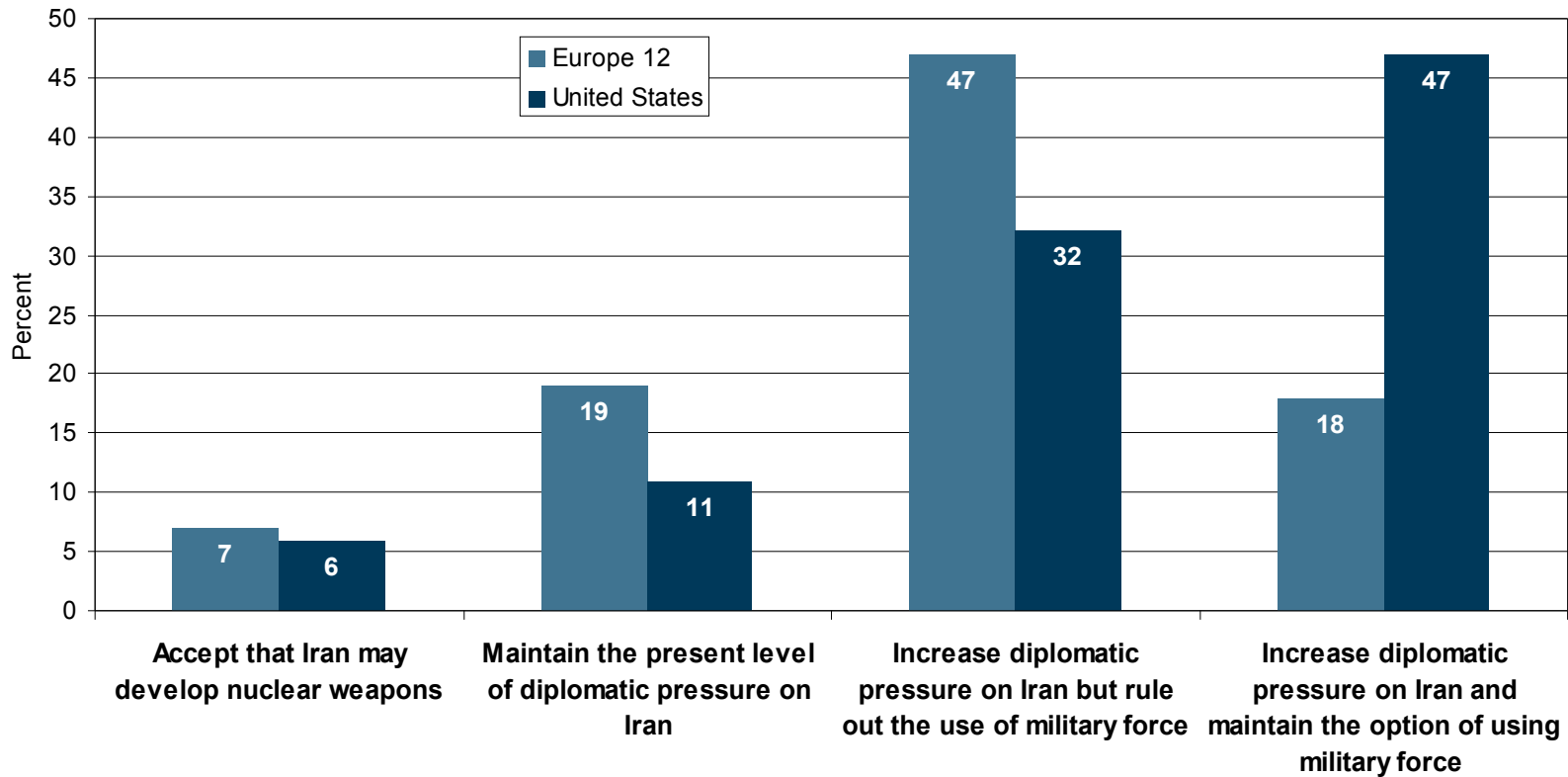
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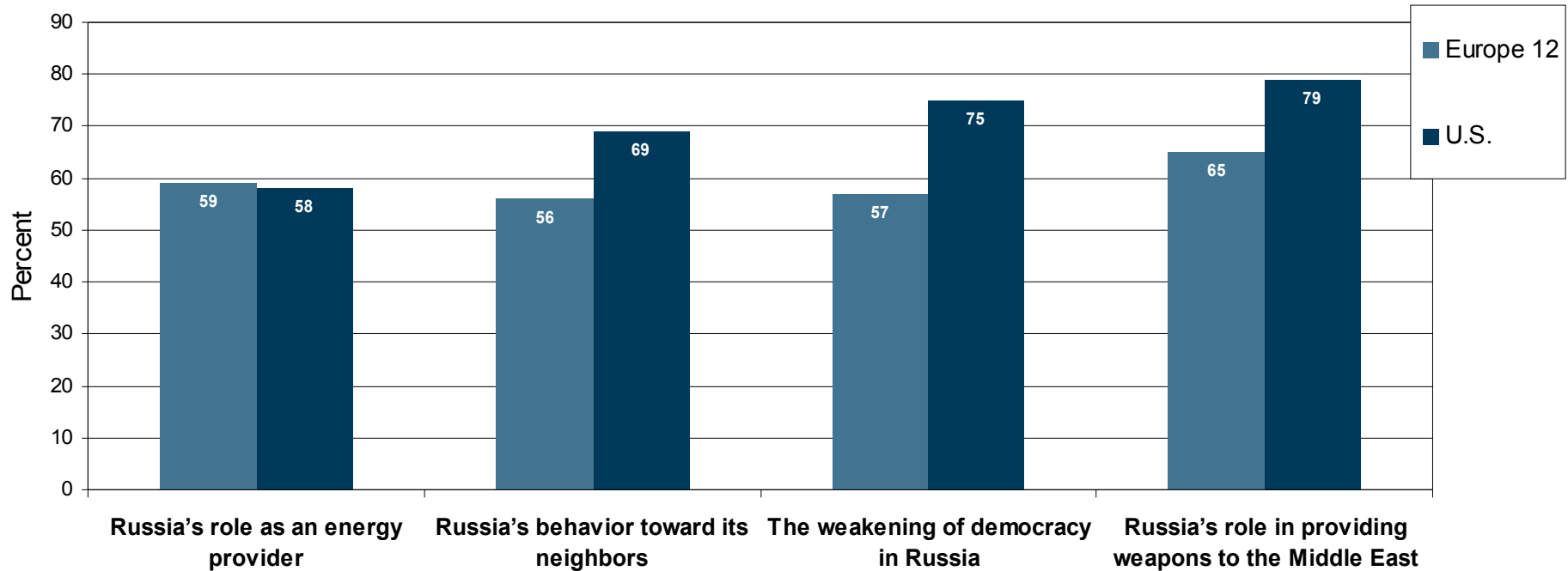
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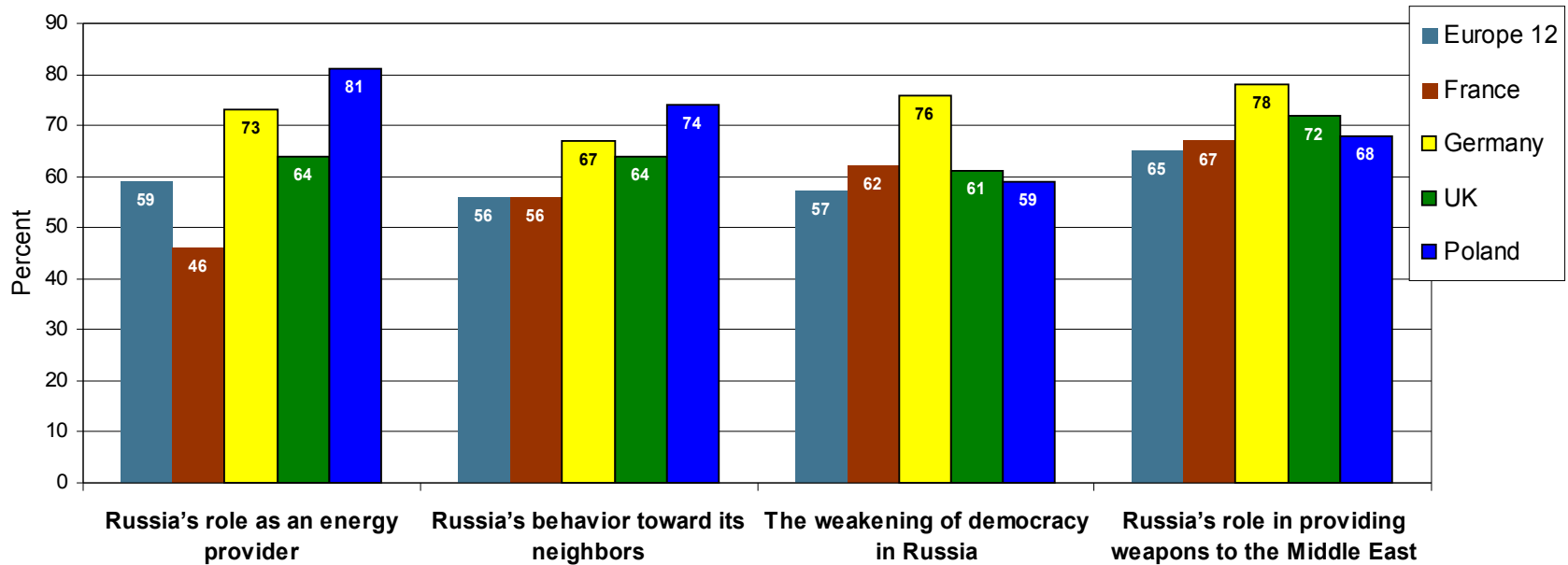
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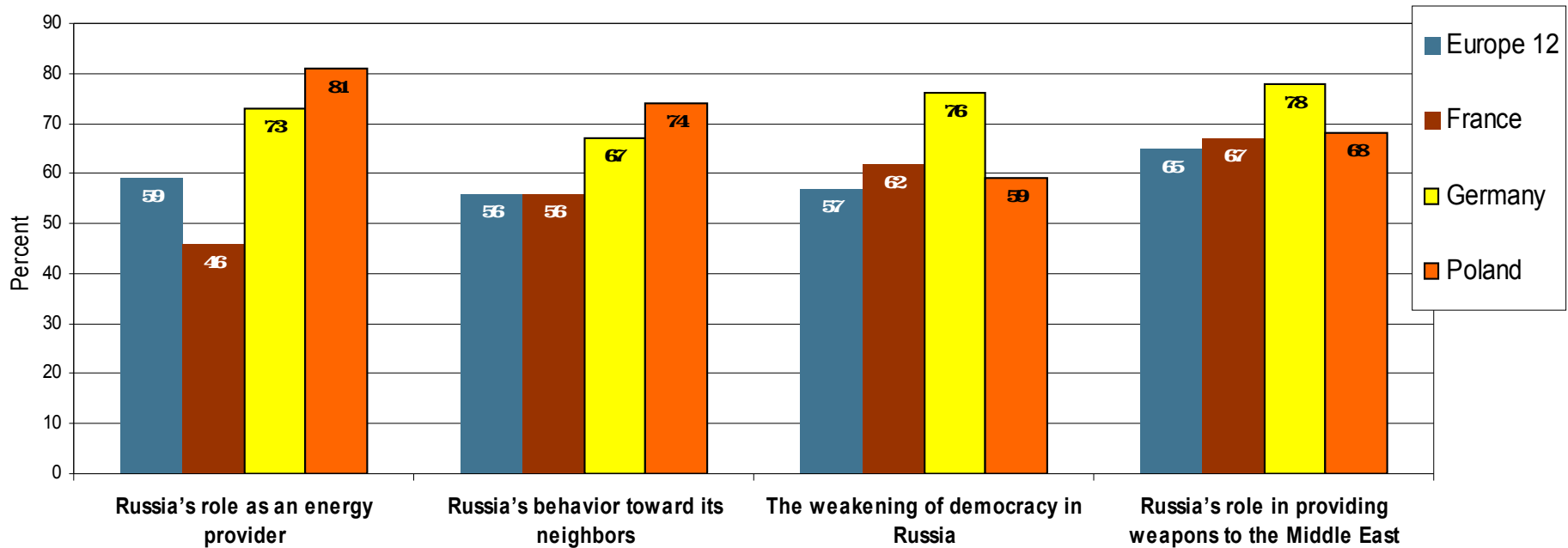
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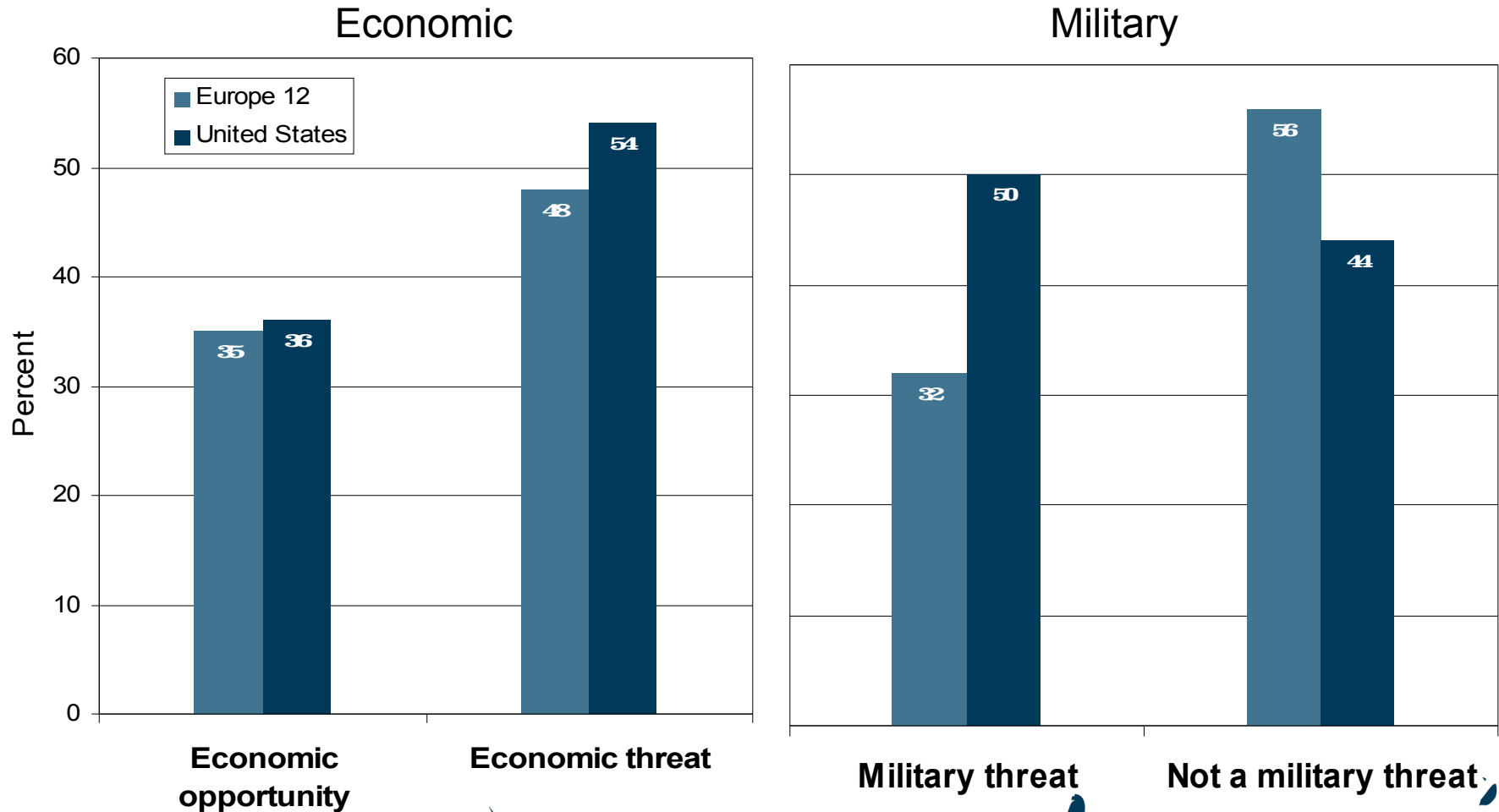
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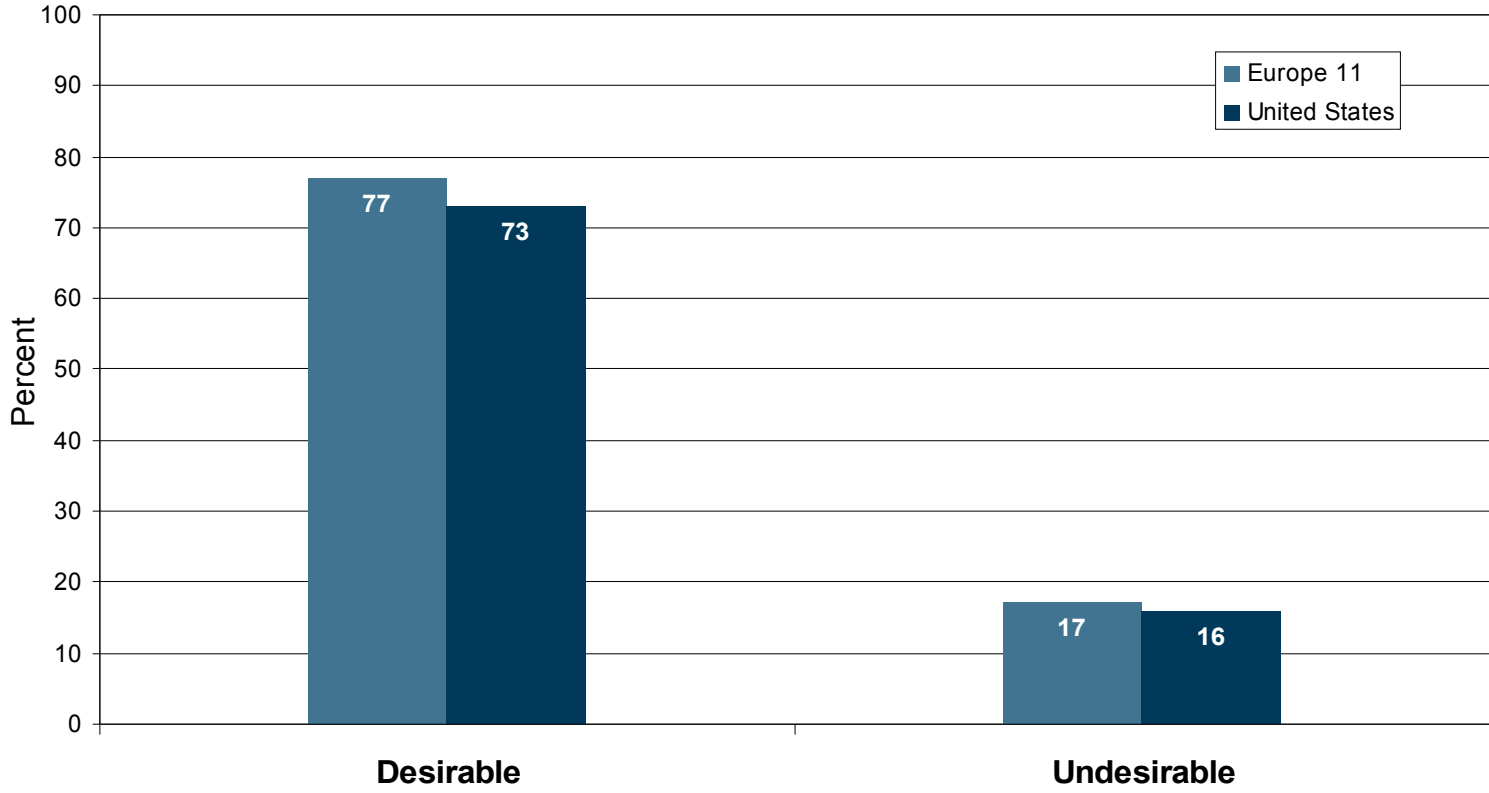


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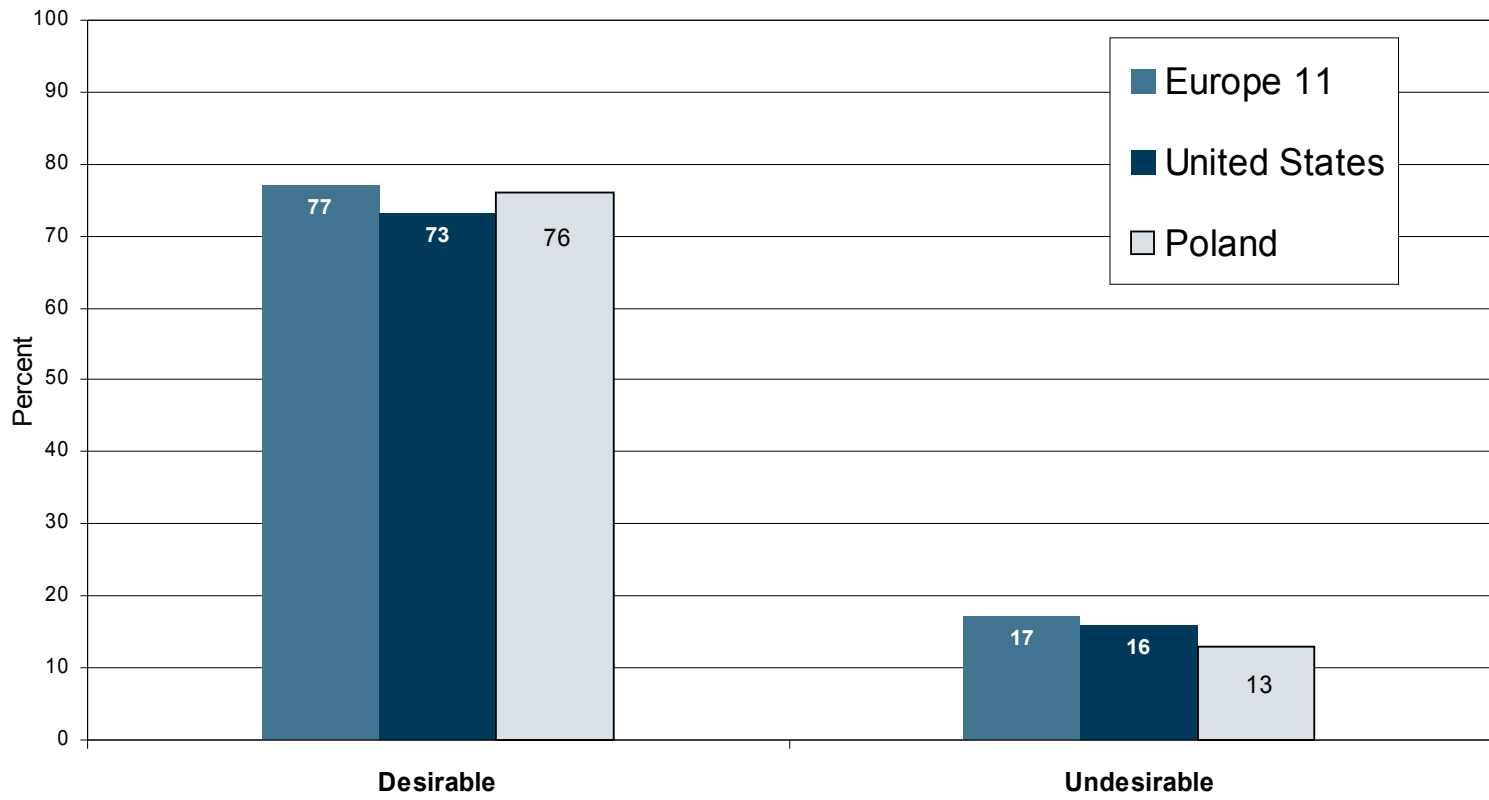
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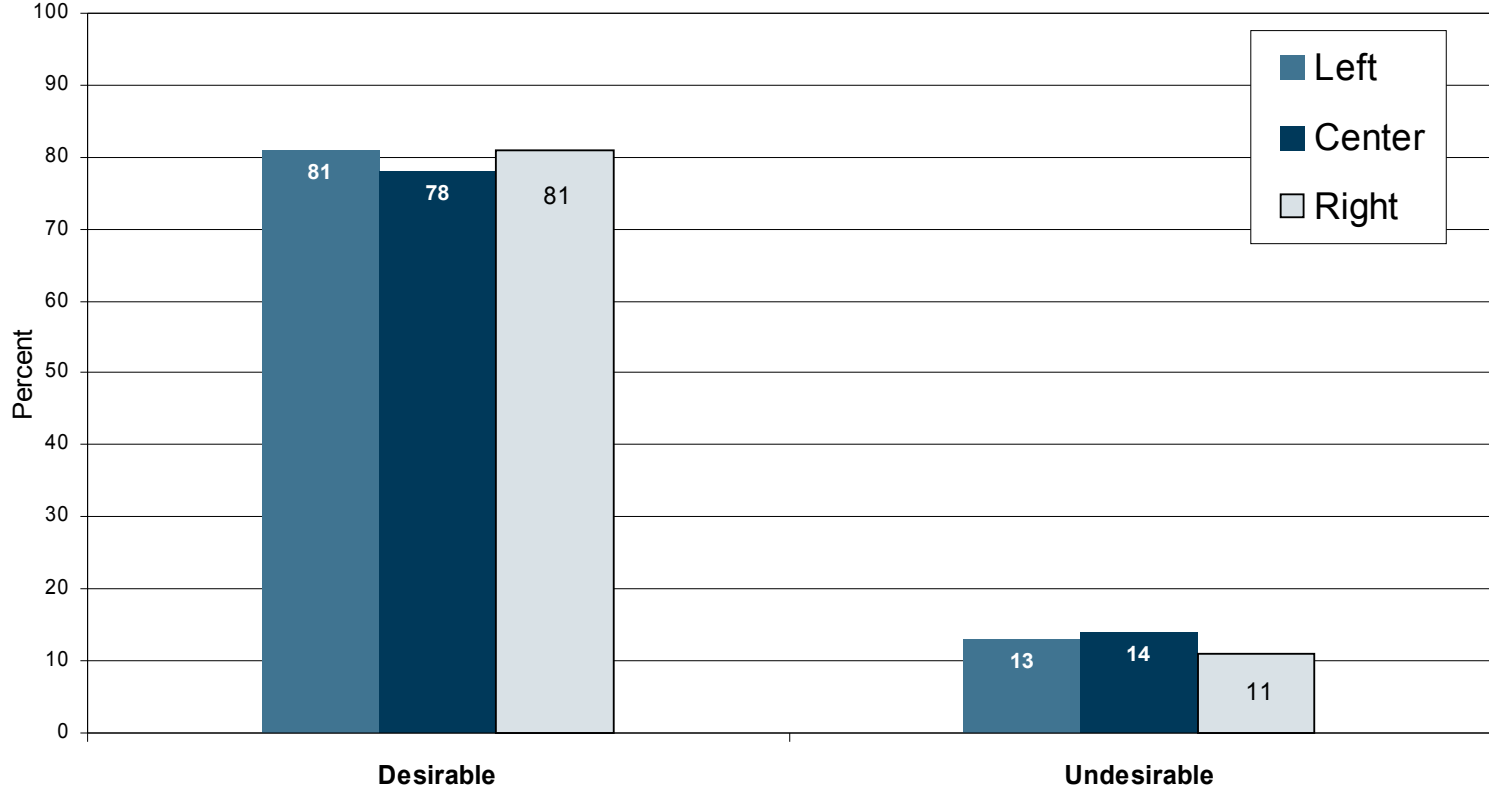
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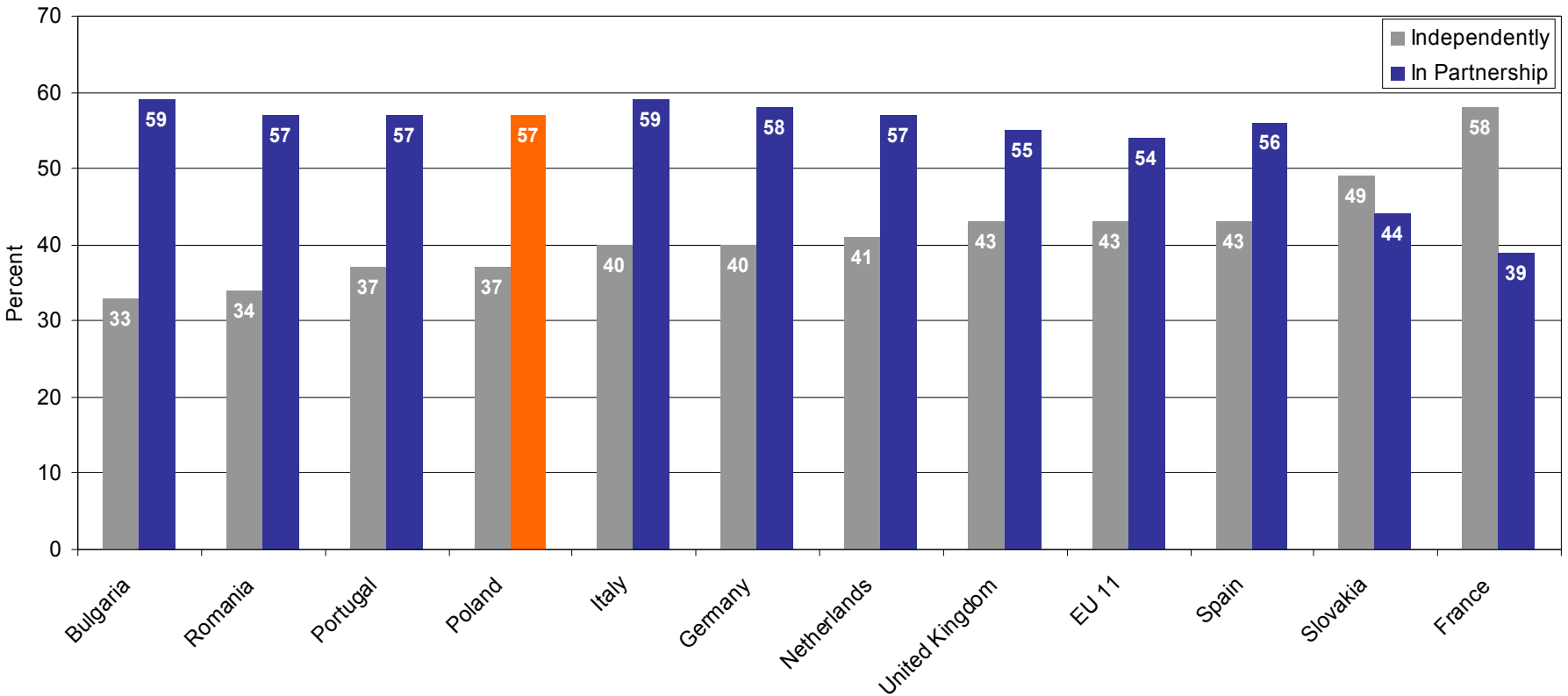
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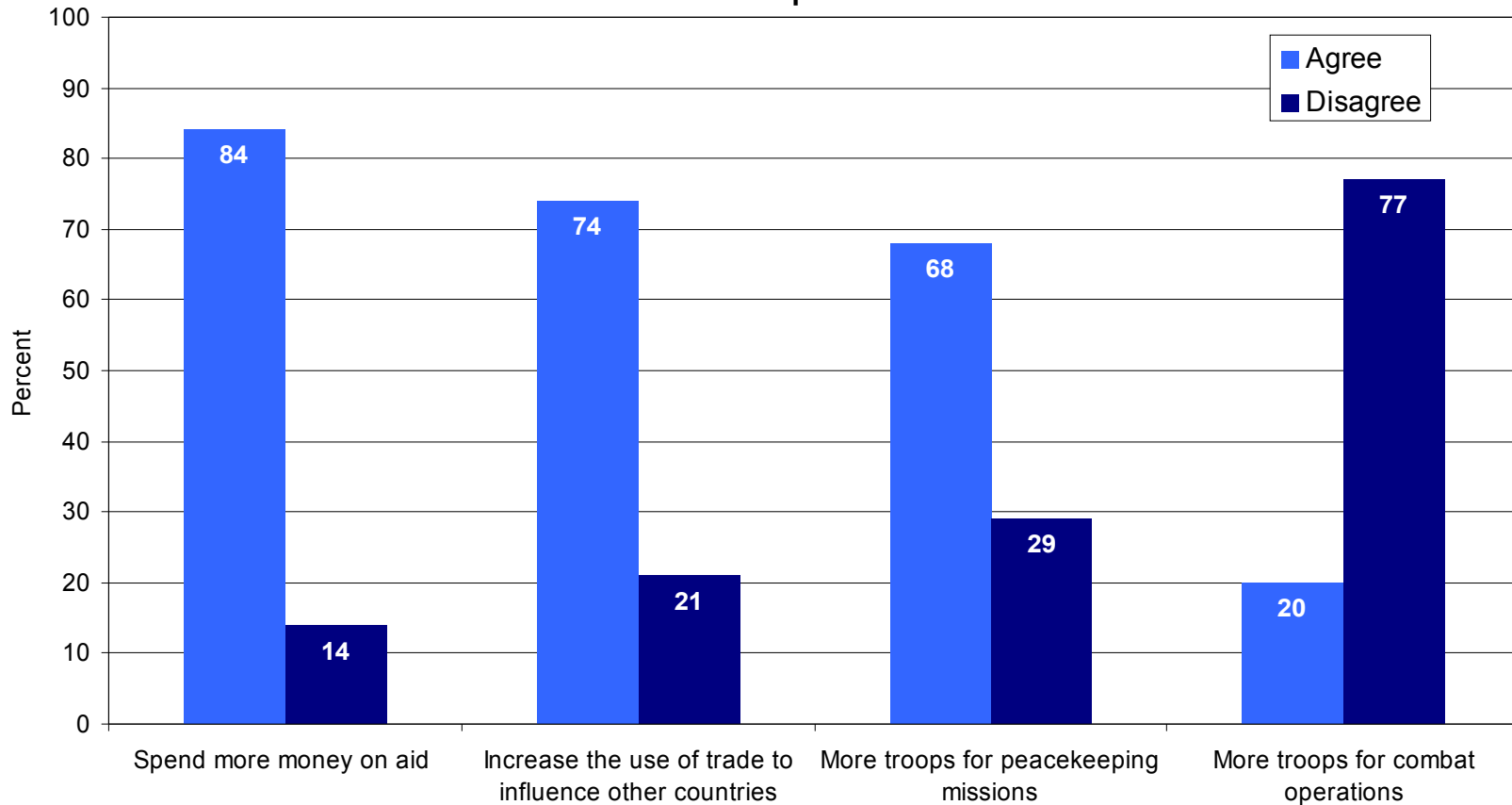


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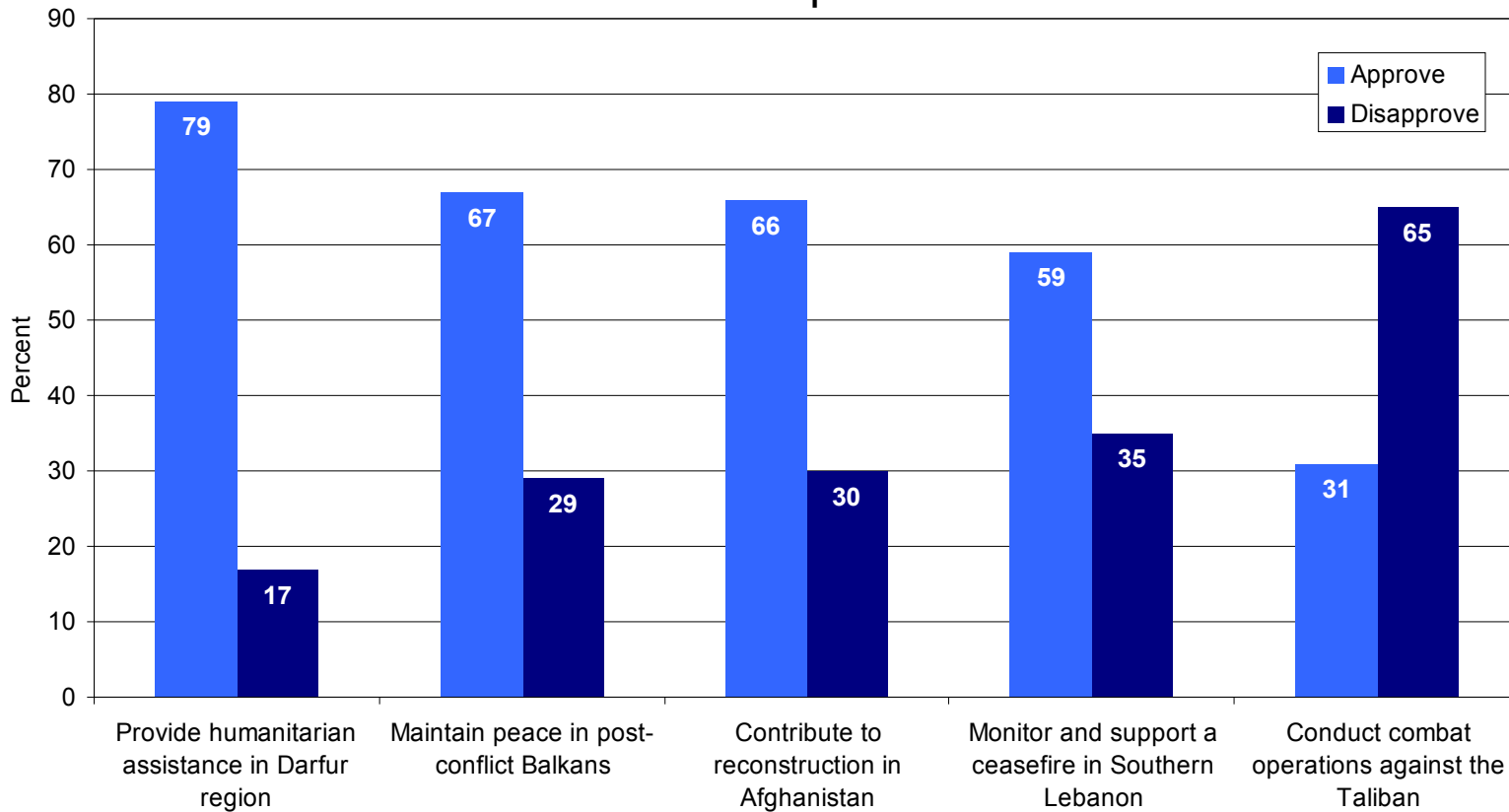
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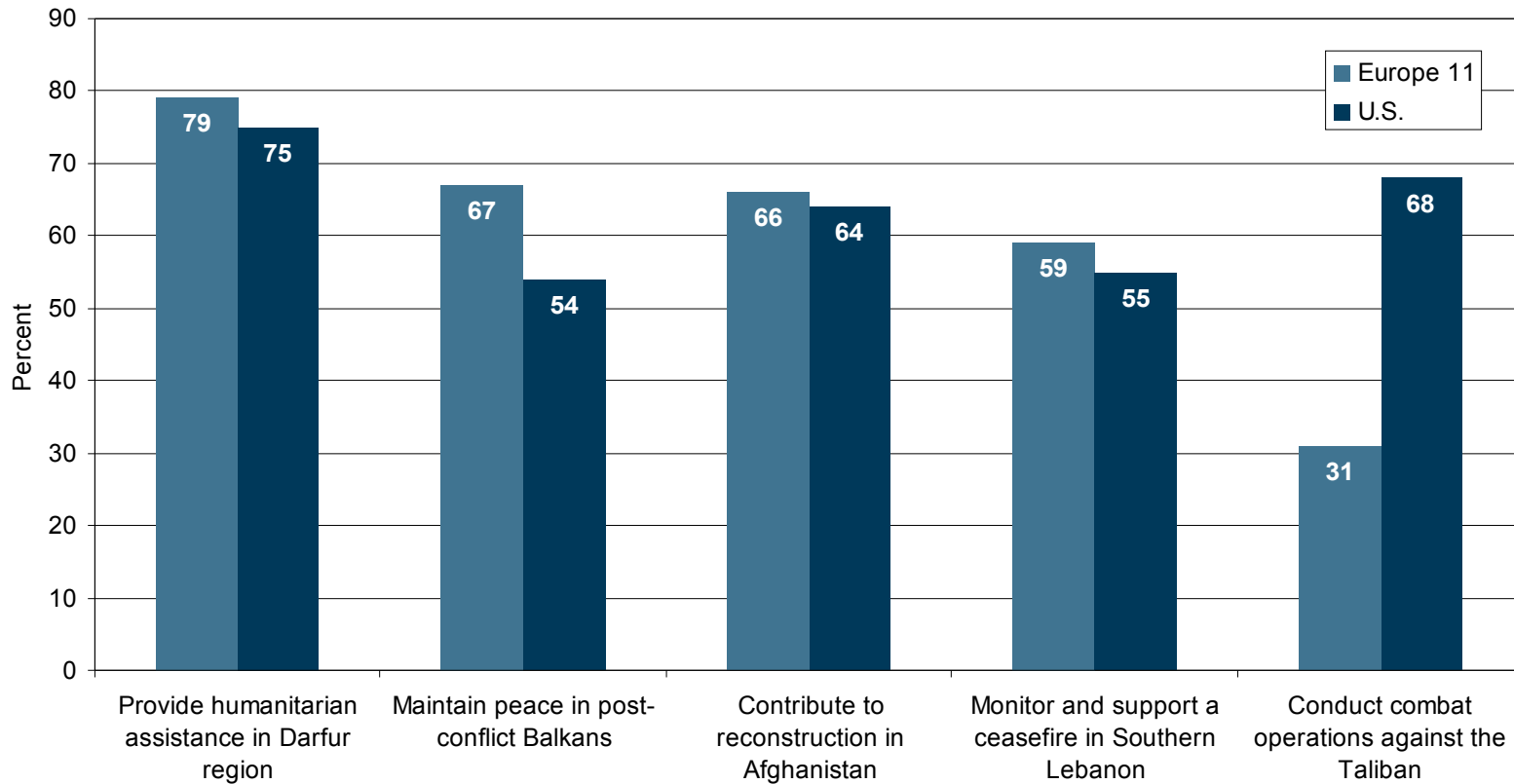


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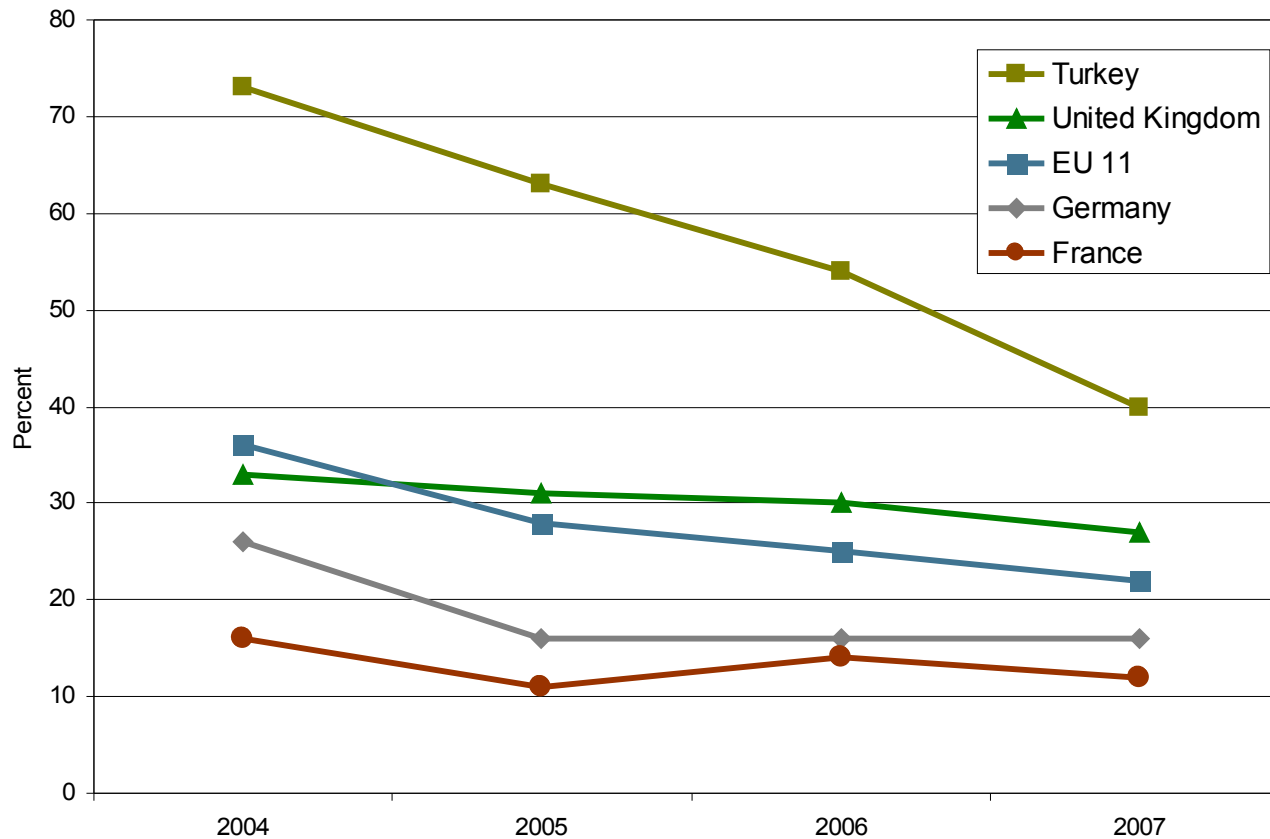
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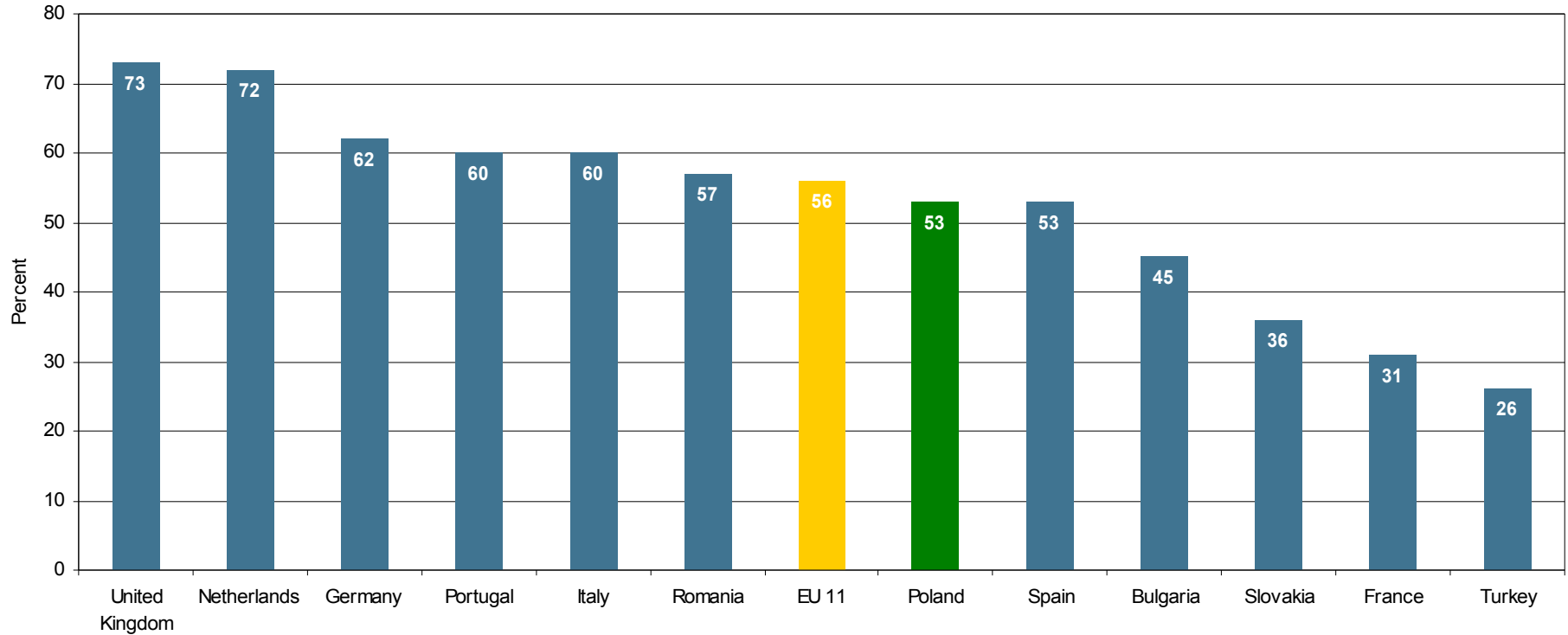
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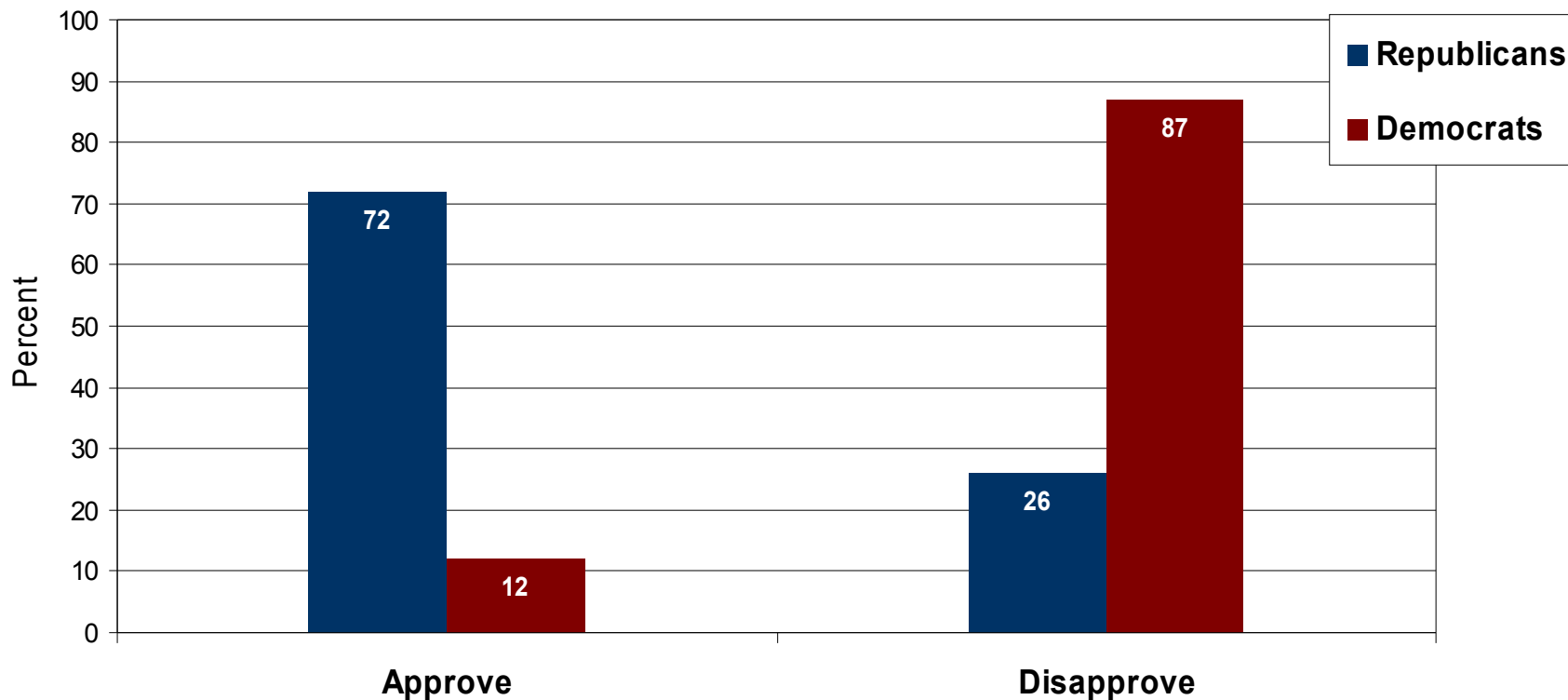


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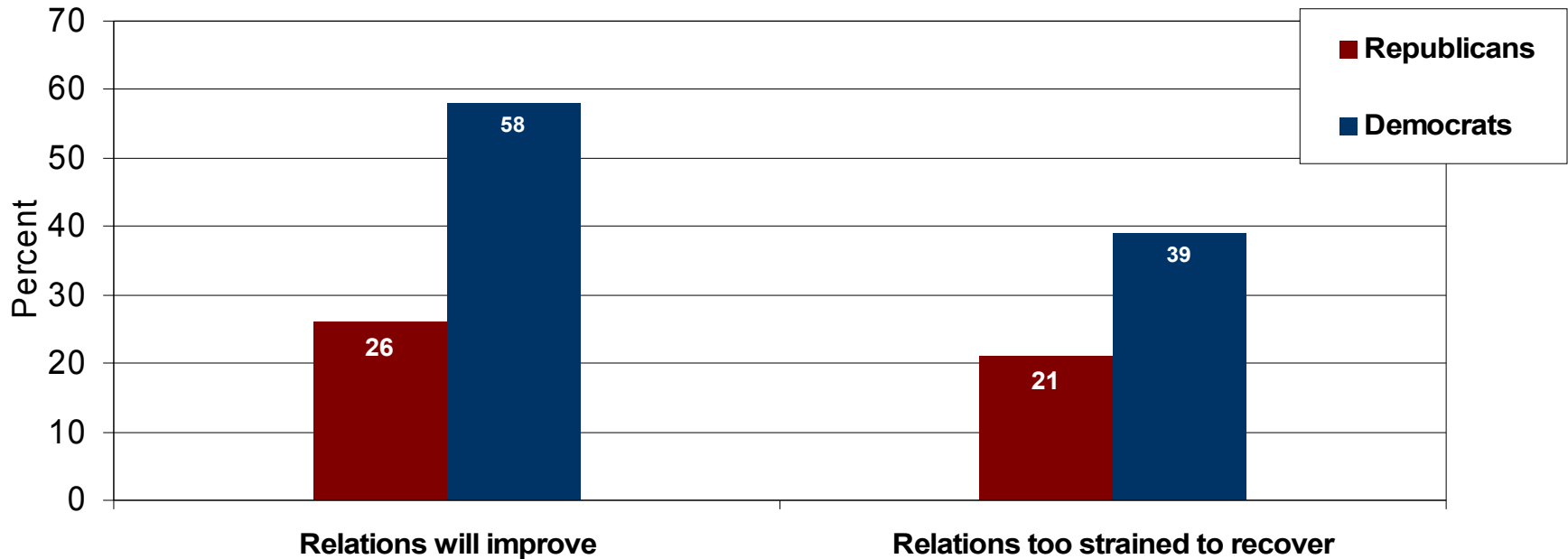
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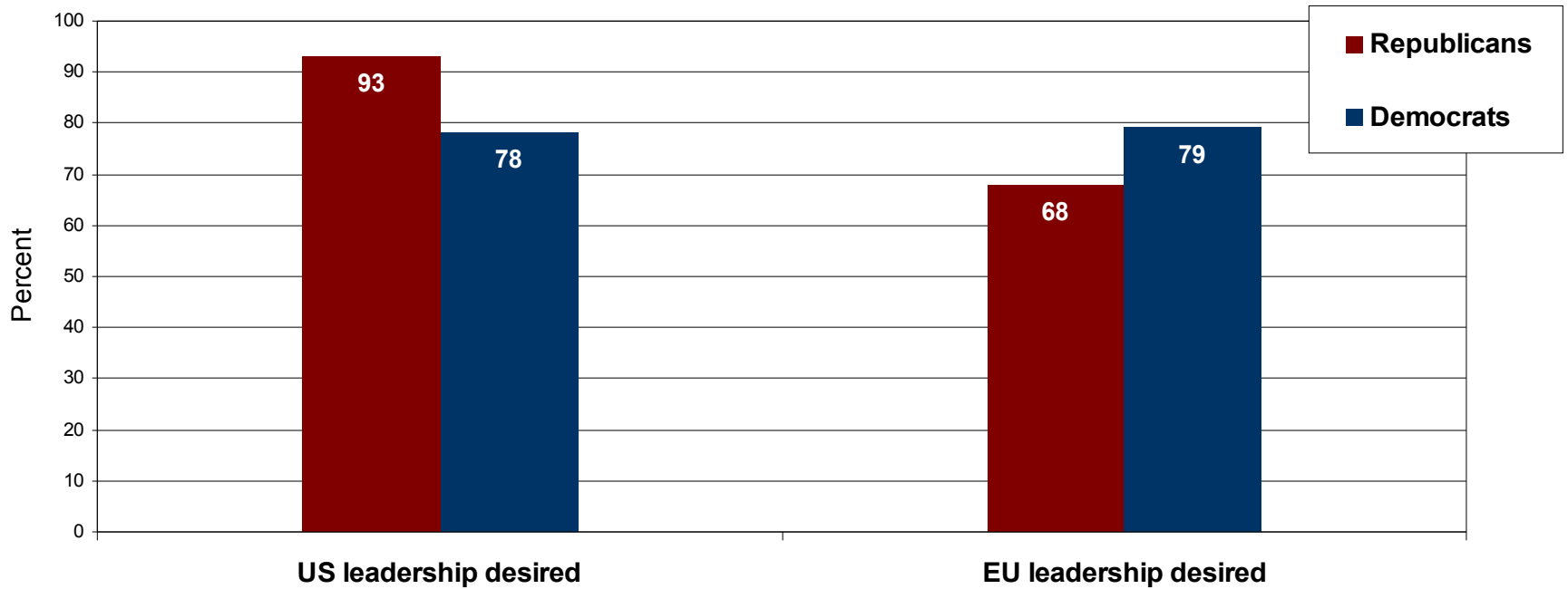
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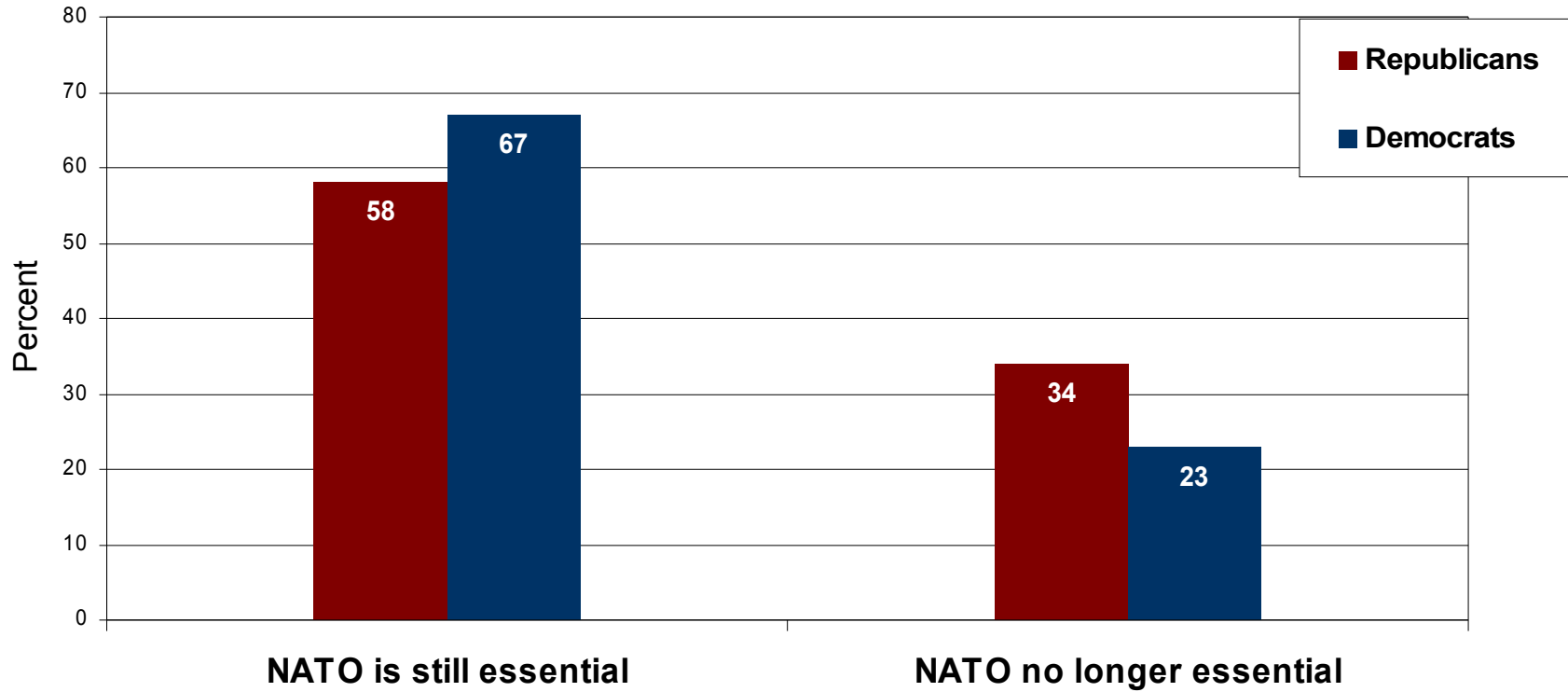
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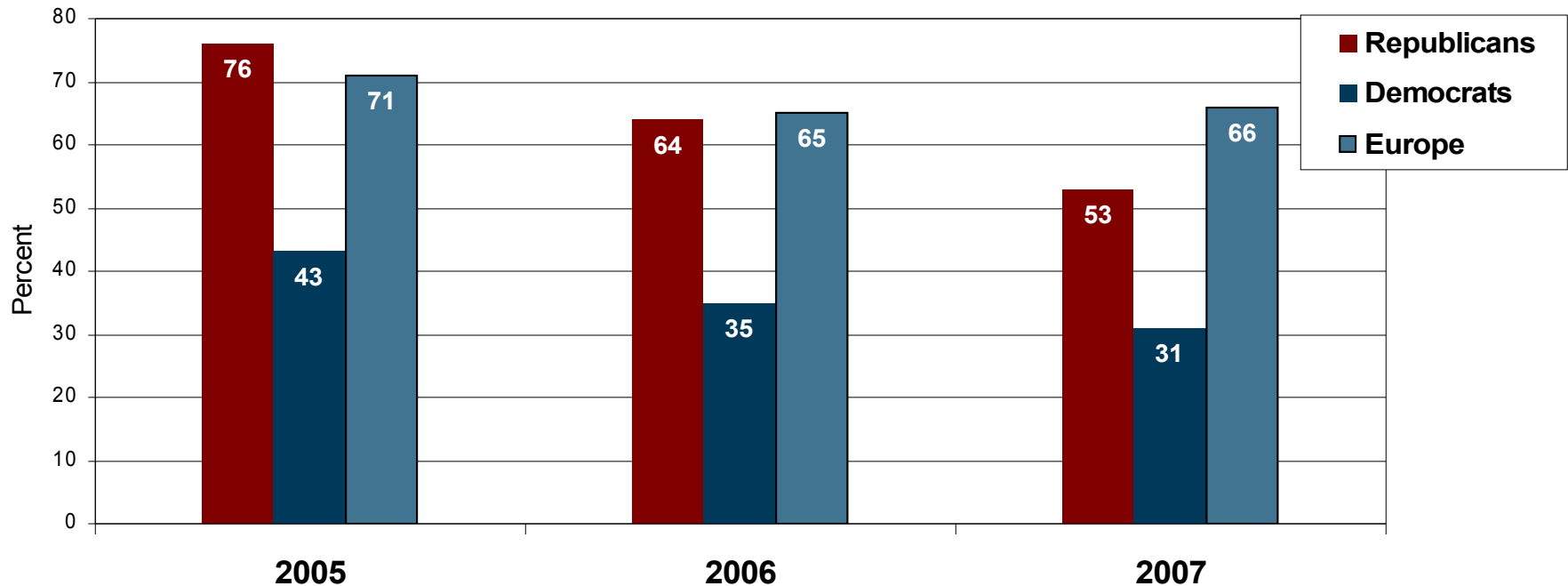
But Have Similar Views on US and EU Engagement in the World



And Both Support NATO



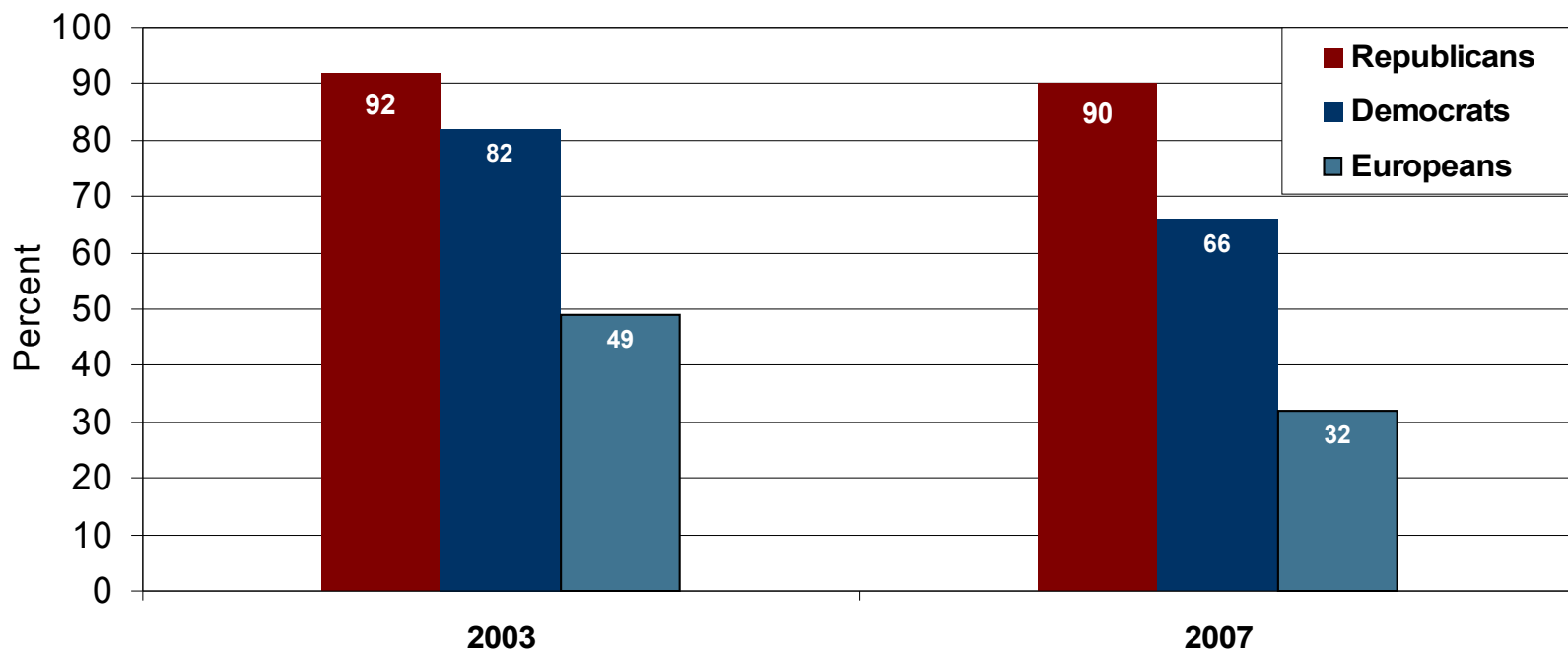
Support of Democracy Promotion Falls in the U.S.



It should be the role of the U.S. (*EU) to help establish democracy in other countries



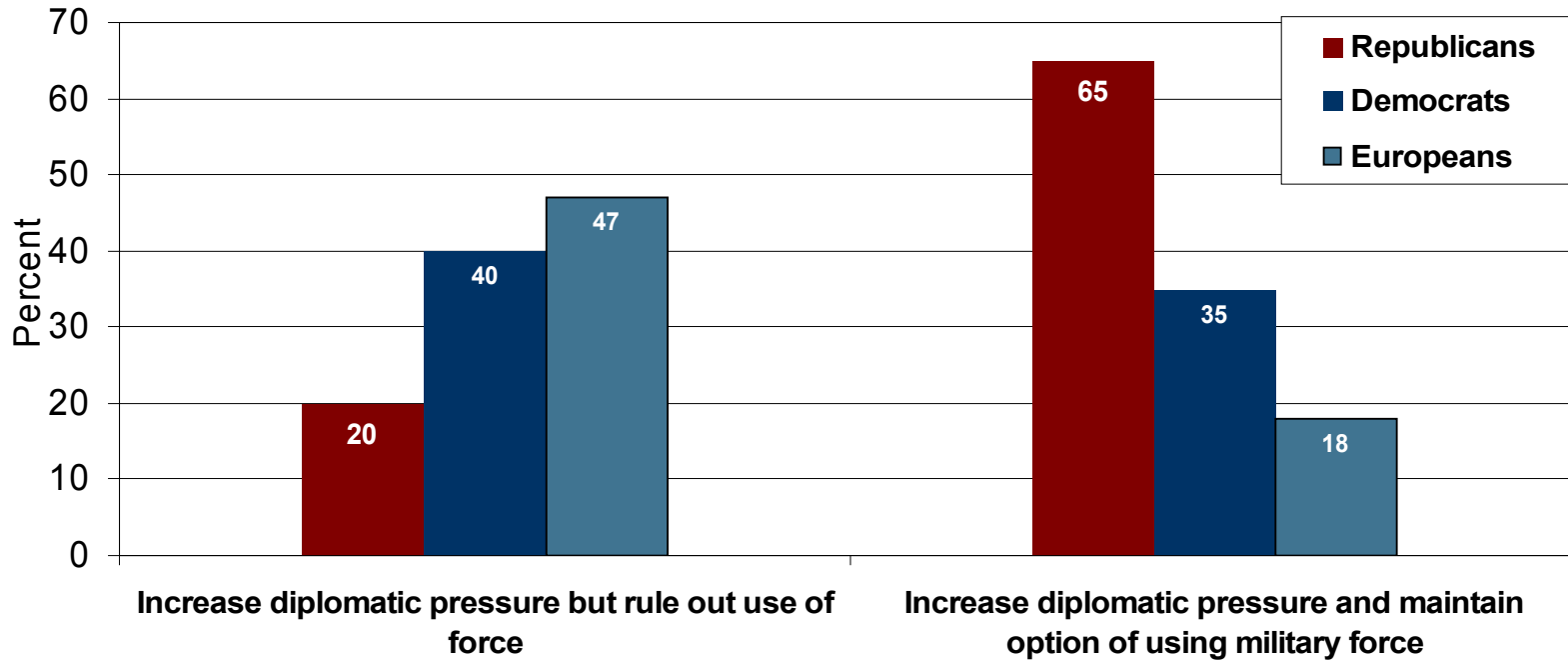
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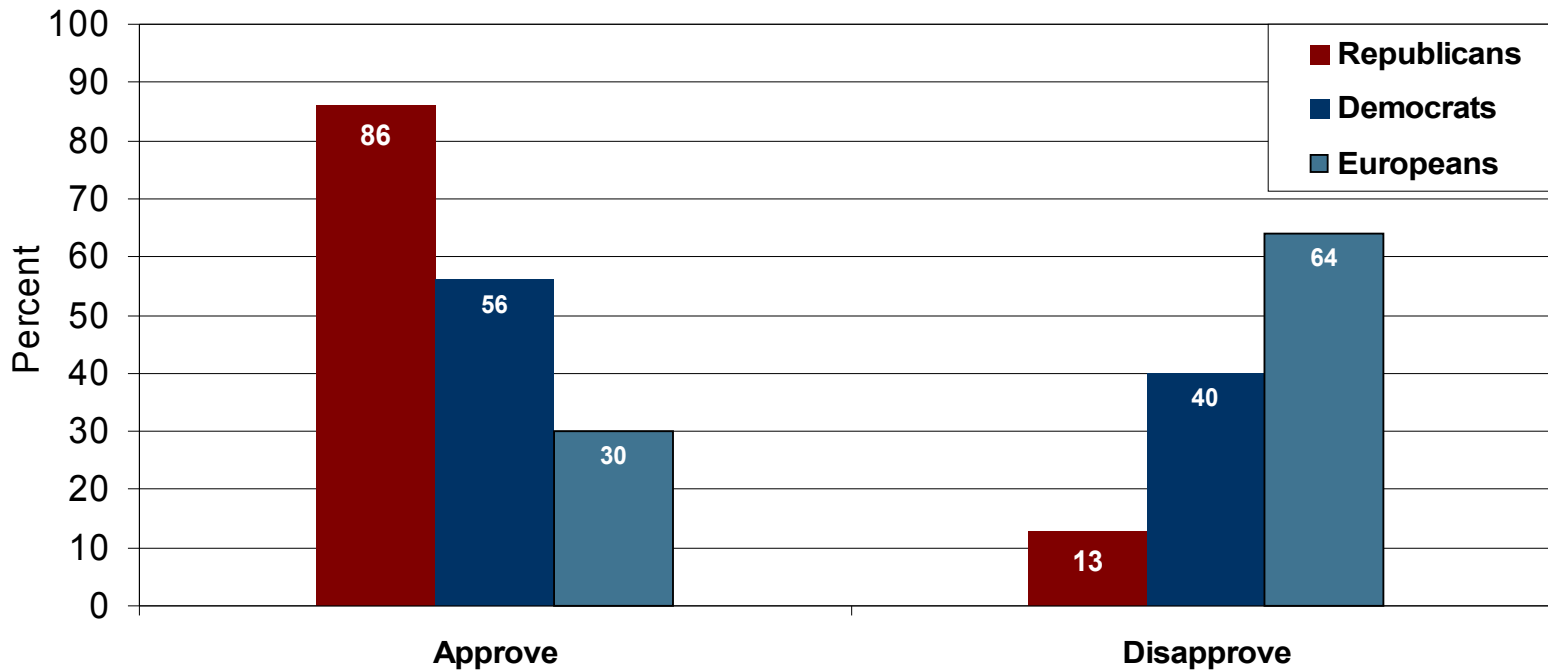
Under some conditions, war is necessary to obtain justice



Democrats and Republicans divide on Iran



Also divide on Afghan Combat Operations



To conduct combat operations against the Taliban



Why Does It Matter?

“Improve your image in the world. It’s difficult when the country that is the most powerful, the most successful – that is, of necessity, the leader of our side – is one of the most unpopular countries in the world. It presents overwhelming problems for you and overwhelming problems for your allies.”

- Nicolas Sarkozy

