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## **Research of public opinion about LGBT persons**

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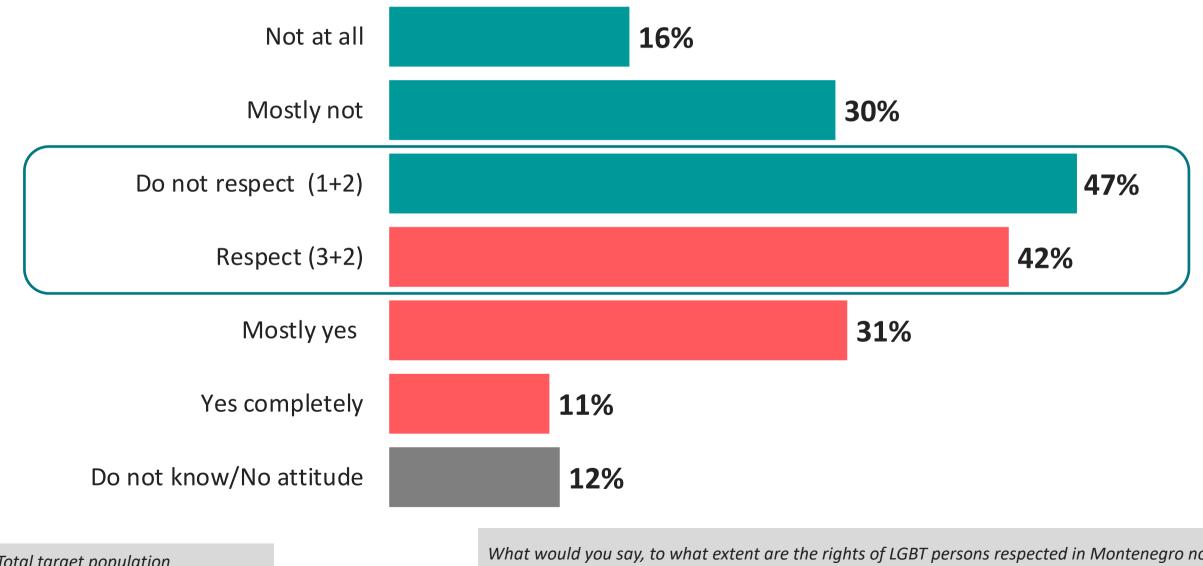
## Methodology of the research

Implementation:	l wave- 2016	II wave – 2019
Sample:	Population of Montenegro 18+	The population of Montenegro 18+
Sample size:	1000 respondents	1013 respondents
	Three-stage random representative stratified sample	A two-stage random representative stratified sample
	First unit stage: territory of polling stations	First unit stage: region
Sample type:	Second unit stage:Households (SRSWoR –random step)	Second unit stage: urban and rural areas
	Third unit stage: respondents within the household (Kish tables)	
Type of research:	Omnibus, field questionnaire of an average length of 45 minutes	Telephone survey
Places of research:	17 cities in Montenegro, 130 territories of polling stations, urban, suburban and rural environments	17 cities in Montenegro, 130 territories of polling station, surban, suburban and rural environments
Post-stratification:	by gender, age and region	by gender, age and region
Error	±1.45% for incidence of 5% ±2.86% for incidence of 25% ±3.31% for incidence of 50% (marginal mistake)	±1.45% for incidence of 5% ±2.86% for incidence of 25% ±3.31% for incidence of 50% (marginal mistake)
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### **Respect for the rights of LGBT persons in Montenegro**

### VIEWS OF PUBLIC REGARDING RESPECT FOR THE RIGHTS OF LGBT PERSONS ARE DEVIDED, HOWEVER SOMEWHAT GREATER PART OF CITIZENS BELIEVE THAT THE RIGHTS OF THIS COMMUNITY ARE NOT RESPECTED IN MONTENEGRO



What would you say, to what extent are the rights of LGBT persons respected in Montenegro nowadays?

## General attitudes towards LGBT persons

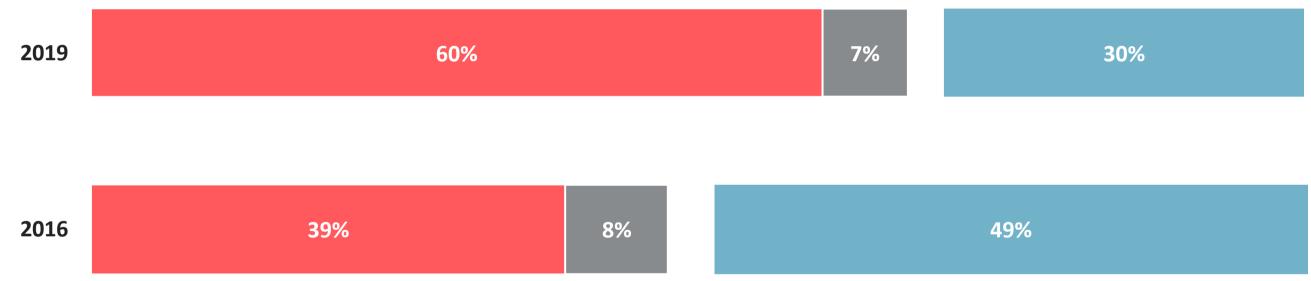
## SHARE OF CITIZENS WHO BELIEVE THAT THE DISCUSSION ABOUT LGBT PERSONS IS EXAGGERATED AND THAT THEY ARE ACTUALLY NORMAL PHENOMENON IN CIVILIZED WORLD IS INCREASING.

The discussion on LGBT persons is exaggerated, because everywhere in the civilized world it has already been accepted as a normal phenomenon that exists ever since.

None of these two

Do not know

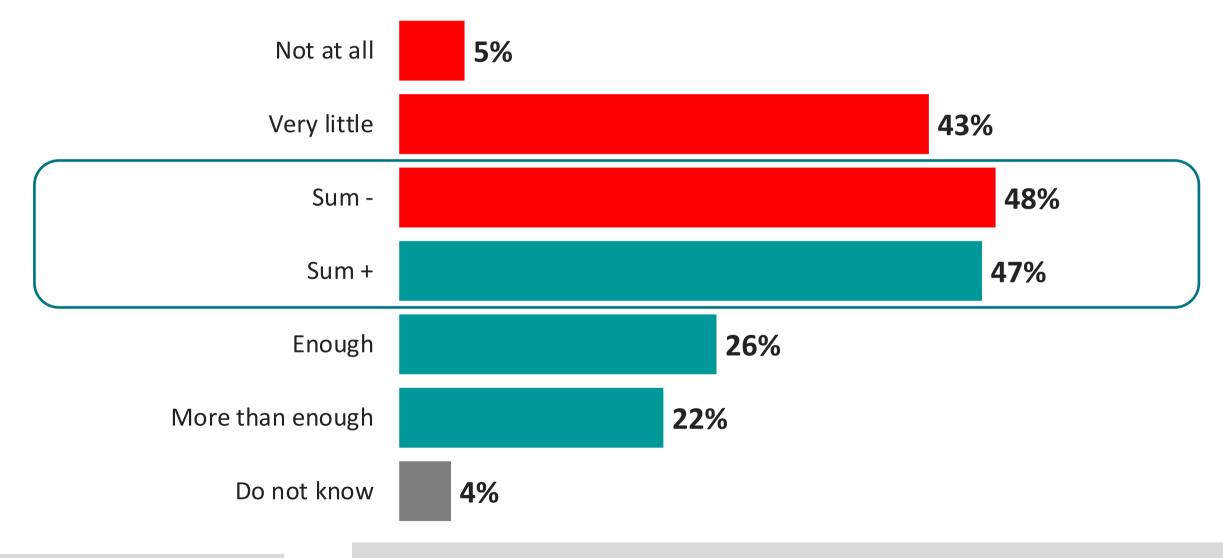
**LGBT** persons are so harmful and dangerous that it is worth to make an effort and all forces to fight against such a phenomenon



The minority group that has been spoken of in recent years is LGBT persons. Some people think that the whole discussion on LGBT persons is exaggerated because everywhere in the civilized world they are already accepted as a normal phenomenon which has existed since ever. Other people think that LGBT persons are so harmful and dangerous that it is worth to make an effort to fight against such a phenomenon. Which opinion is closest to yours?

## LGBT persons in public

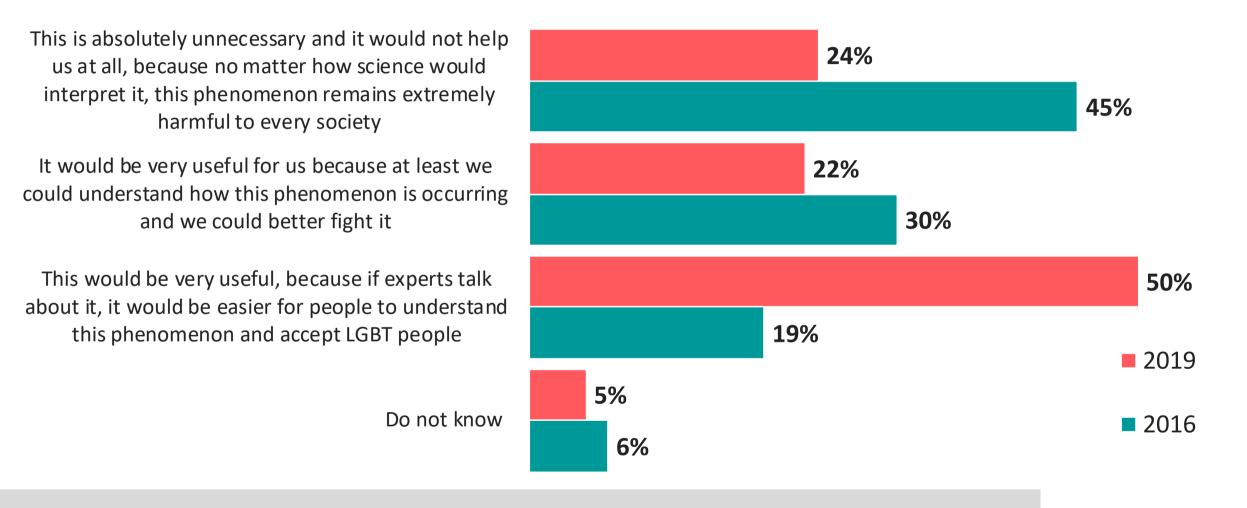
DIVIDED VIEWS AMONGST CITIZENS ABOUT PRESENCE OF PUBLIC DISCOURSE ABOUT POSITION OF LGBT PERSONS IN MONTENEGRO IS AGAIN NOTED



What would you say, to which extent is public discourse on the position of LGBT persons in Montenegro present today?

### Necessity for public scientific discussions about different sexual orientation

### SIMULTANEOUSLY, POSITIVE ATTITUDE TOWARDS THE PRESENCE OF PUBLIC SCIENTIFIC DISCOURSE ABOUT TOPICS AND PROBLEMS RELATED TO LGBT PERSONS IS GROWING

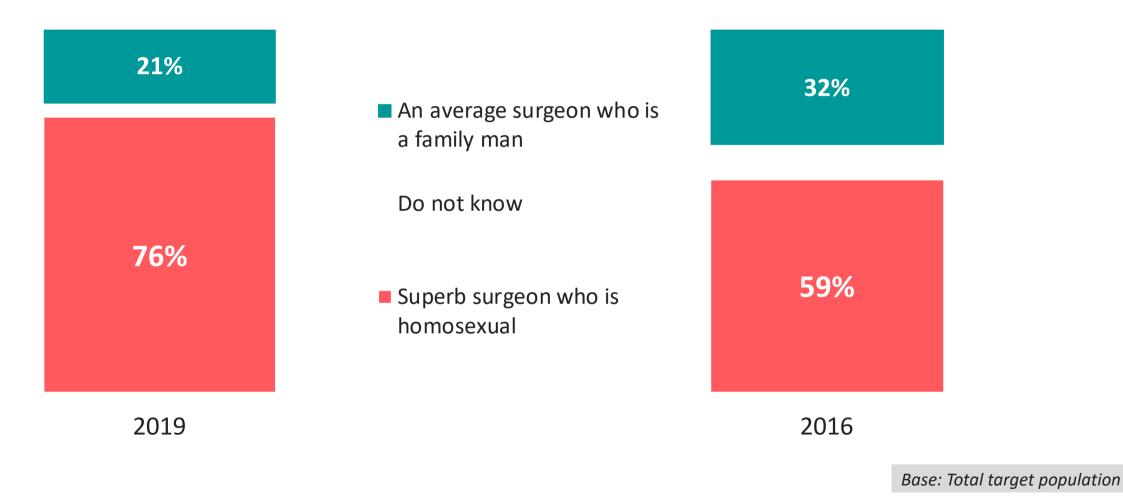


Some people think that many of the problems related to LGBT persons are due to the lack of understanding of this phenomenon, and that, regardless of the diversity of attitudes, it would be helpful if scientists would explain this phenomenon from the scientific point of view. Which attitude is closest to yours?

Base: Total target population

## Personal interests vs. stereotypes

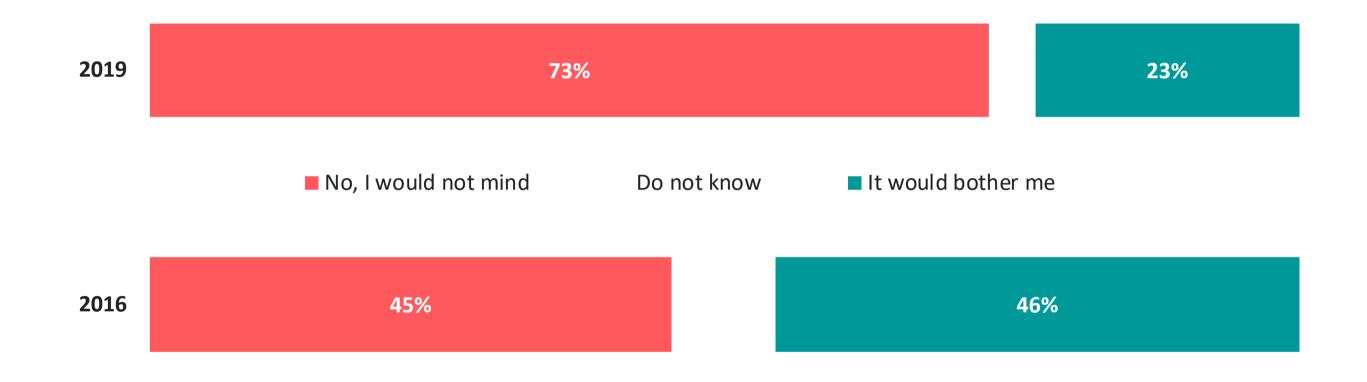
ALSO, IT IS NOTICABLE POSITIVE TREND IN THE READINESS OF CITIZENS TO ACCEPT A SURGEON THAT IS OF LGBT ORIENTATION



Imagine that you or member of your close family needs a very complex surgical intervention. You have the opportunity to choose between a top surgeon who is known to be a homosexual, or a surgeon who is not nearly as capable but is a heterosexual, family man...Which surgeon would you choose?

### Lectures in schools about LGBT people from a scientific point of view

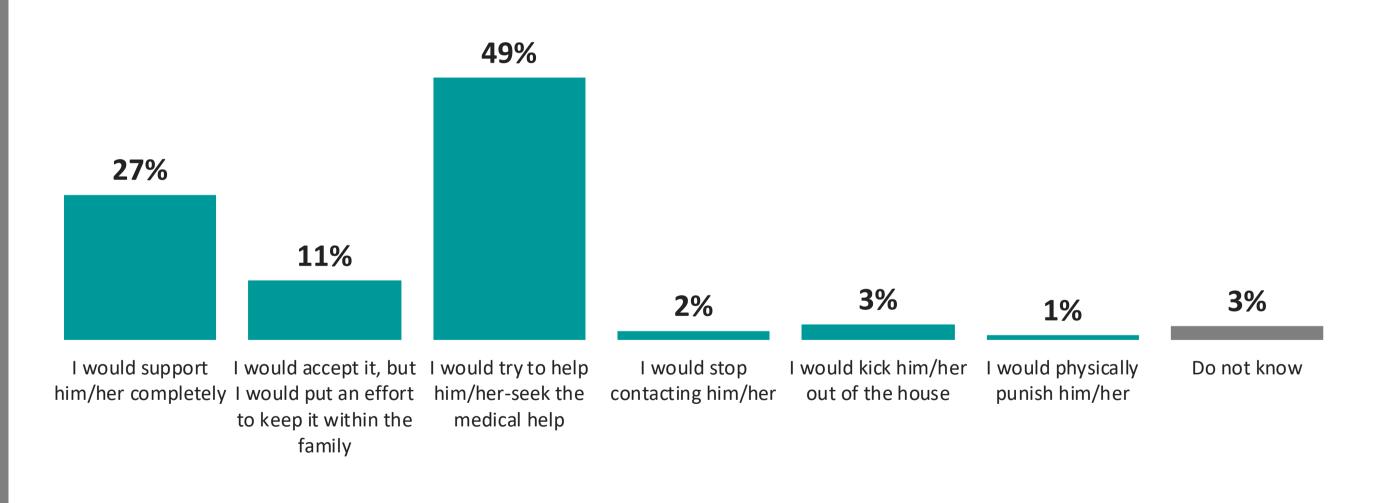
ALSO, THE GREATER PART OF THE CITIZENS EXPRESSES A POSITIVE ATTITUDE TOWARDS THEIR CHILD ATTENDING SCIENTIFIC LECTURES ABOUT LGBT PERSONS



Would you mind if your child attends lectures about LGBT persons from the scientific point of view in school?

### **REACTION UPON DISCOVERING POTENTIAL HOMOSEXUAL ORIENTATION OF THE CHILD**

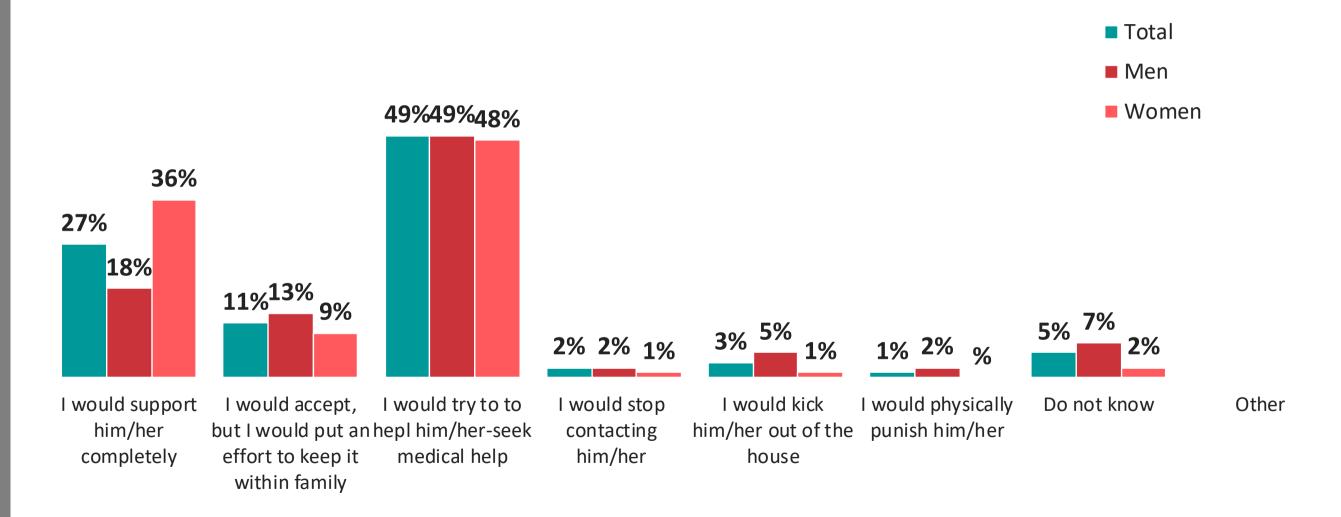
IN A HYPOTHETICAL SITUATION, HALF OF CITIZENS STATE THAT THEY WOULD TRY TO HELP THEIR CHILD IF S/HE IS HOMOSEXUAL. AT THE SAME TIME, ON AVERAGE, ONE OF TEN CITIZENS WOULD PUT AN EFFORT TO KEEP THIS SITUATION WITHIN THE FAMILY



If one day you found out that your child is homosexual, how would you react?

### REACTION UPON FINDING OUT ABOUT CHILD'S HOMOSEXUALITY - DIFFERENCE AMONGST GENDER

#### AS EXPECTED, HIGHER DEGREE OF SUPPORT IS PRESENT AMONGST WOMEN THAN AMONGST MEN

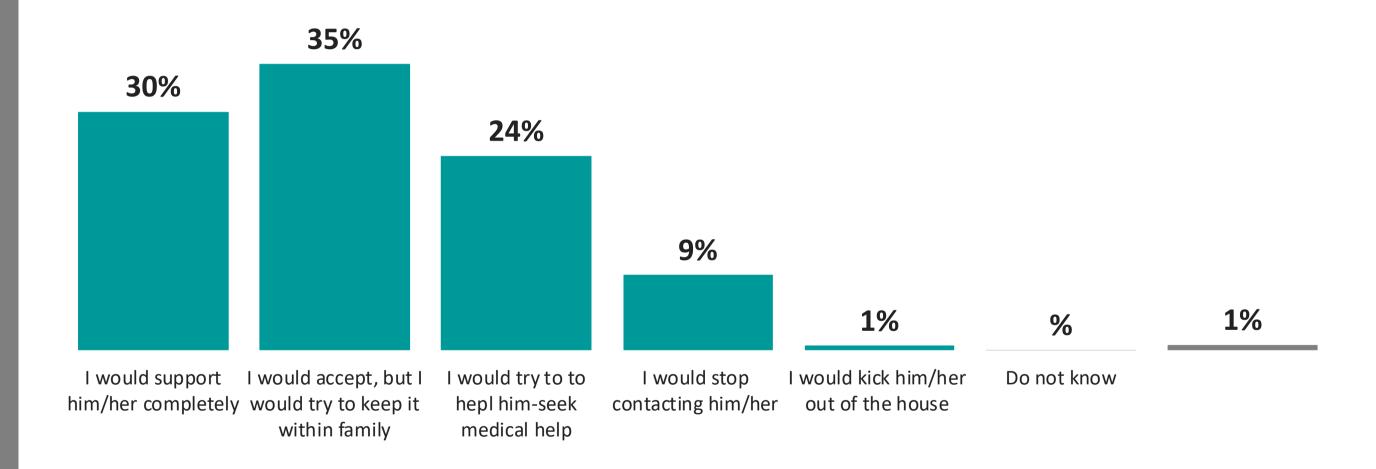


Base: Total target population

If one day you find out that your child is homosexual, how would you react?

### **REACTION UPON FINDING OUT ABOUT ABOUT FRIENDS' AND ACQUAINTANCES' HOMOSEXUALITY**

ON THE OTHER HAND, THERE IS A LOWER LEVEL OF CITIZENS' AMBIVALENCE ABOUT POTENTIAL FRIENDS' OR ACQUAINTANCES' HOMOSEXUALITY



If one day you found out that your acquaintance/colleague/friend/neighbour is a homosexual, how would you react?

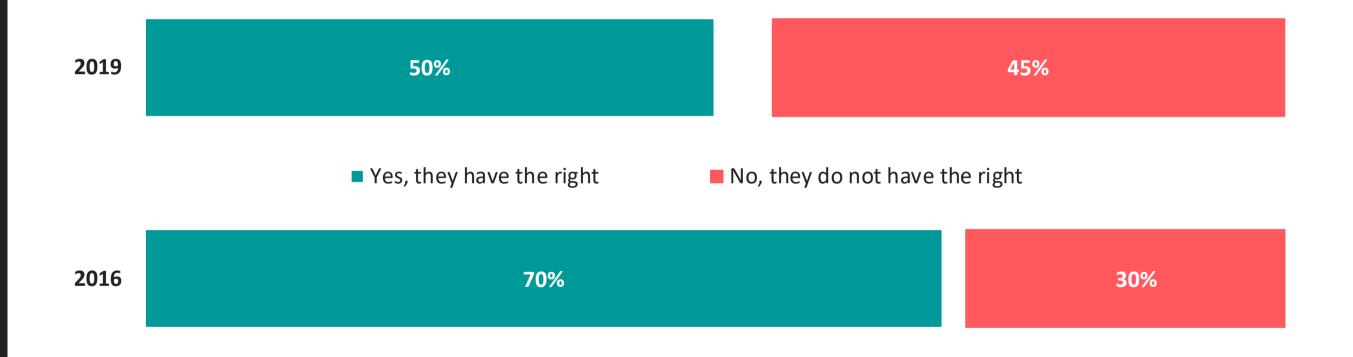
### % OF RESPONSES – WOULD SUPPORT HIM/HER COMPLETELY

GENERALLY, THE GREATER LEVEL OF ACCEPTANCE IS REGISTRATED IN CASE OF A FRIEND THAN A CHILD



# The right of members of sexual minorities to freely kiss, hold hands and / or hug in public place

HOWEVER, PERCENTAGE OF CITIZENS WHO BELIEVE THAT SEXUAL MINORITIES HAVE EQUAL RIGHTS IN THE PUBLIC AS MEMBERS OF HETEROSEXUAL ORIENTATION IS DECREASING

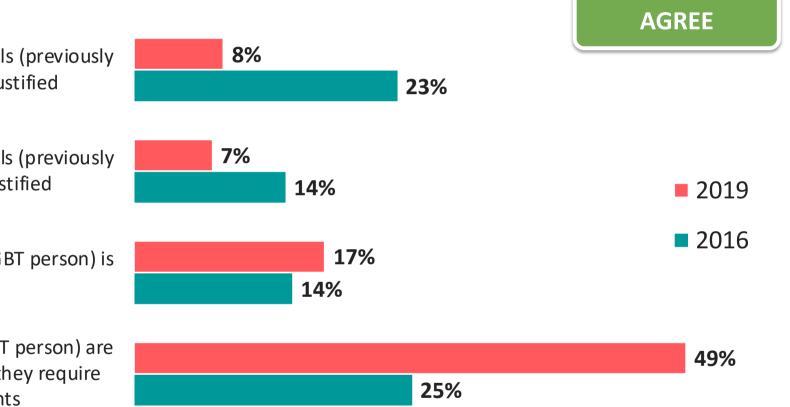


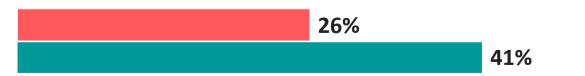
Base: Total target population

Do you think that members of sexual minorities, e.g. LGBT persons (homosexuals, lesbians, transgender persons) have the right in the same manner and to the same extent as heterosexuals to freely kiss, hold hands and / or hug in a public?

### Percentage of agreement with the statements about LGBT persons

**GREATER LEVEL OF TOLERANCE ON LGBT RIGHTS IS REGISTERED AMONGST CITIZENS** 





Verbal violence against homosexuals (previously mentioned LGBT person) is justified

Physical violence against homosexuals (previously mentioned LGBT person) is justified

Homosexuality (previously mentioned LGBT person) is not present in Montenegro

Homosexuals (previously mentioned LGBT person) are endangered group in Montenegro and they require assistance to achieve their rights

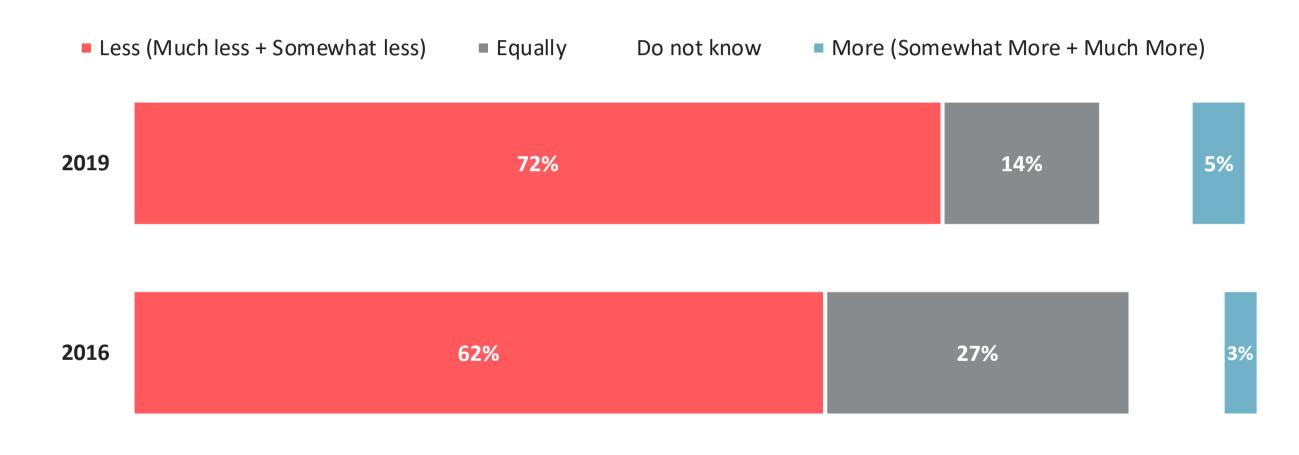
If the political party I support started advocating rights of homosexuals (previously mentioned LGBT person), I would no longer vote for it

Base: Total target population

To what extent do you agree with the following statements?

### Presence of LGBT persons compared to the countries of Western Europe

THERE IS A GROWTH IN PERCENTAGE OF CITIZENS WHO BELIEVE THAT HOMOSEXUALITY AS A PHENOMENON LESS PRESENT IN MONTENEGRO THAN IN OTHER COUNTRIES

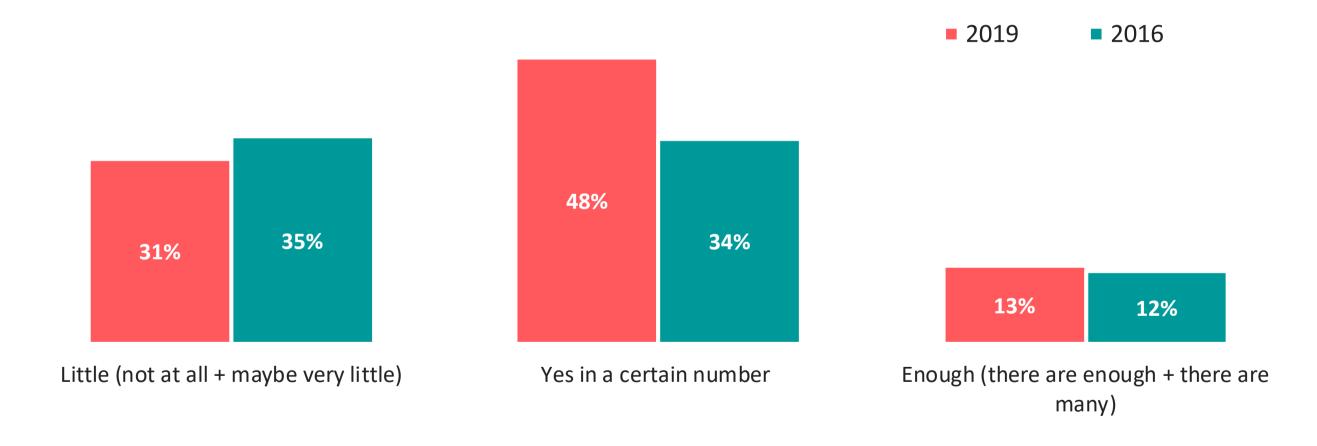


Base: Total target population

What do you think, how much the phenomenon of LGBT sexual orientation is present in Montenegro in comparison with the countries of Western Europe?

### Perception of presence of LGBT person amongst professionals in Montenegro

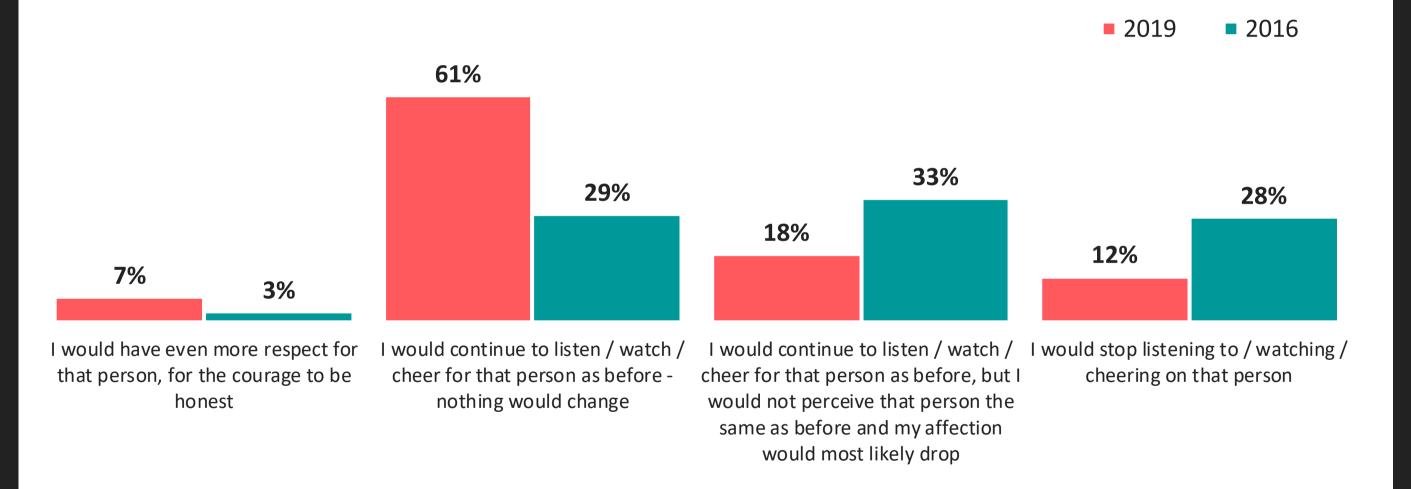
ALSO, THE SHARE OF CITIZENS WHO BELIEVE THAT THERE IS A CERTAIN PART OF LGBT PERSONS AMONG PUBLIC FIGURES INCREASES



What do you think, are there LGBT persons among the highly successful professional people in Montenegro, such as doctors, university professors, scientists, artists?

### Influence of discovering that some of favourite public figure is homosexual

### ALSO, THERE'S A GROWTH IN TOLERANCE TO POTENTIAL CELEBRITY'S HOMOSEXUALITY

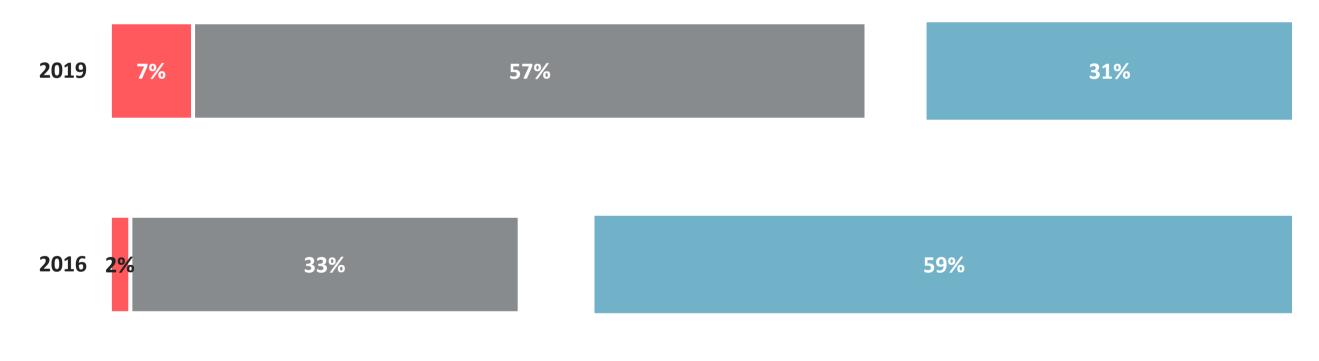


If you discover that one of your favorite athletes, singers or TV stars, writers, actors is of homosexual (gay) orientation, how, if at all, would it affect you?

### The influence of discovering that some of politicians close to them are homosexual

## WHEN IT COMES TO POLITICIANS, SHARE OF CITIZENS WHO STATE THAT SEXUAL ORIENTATION OF POLITICIANS WOULD NOT CHANGE NOTHING IN THEIR RELATION TOWARDS THEM IS ALSO NOTICED

- I would have even more respect for that person, for the courage to be honest
- Nothing would change
  - Do not know
- I would perceive this person differently and my affection would most likely drop

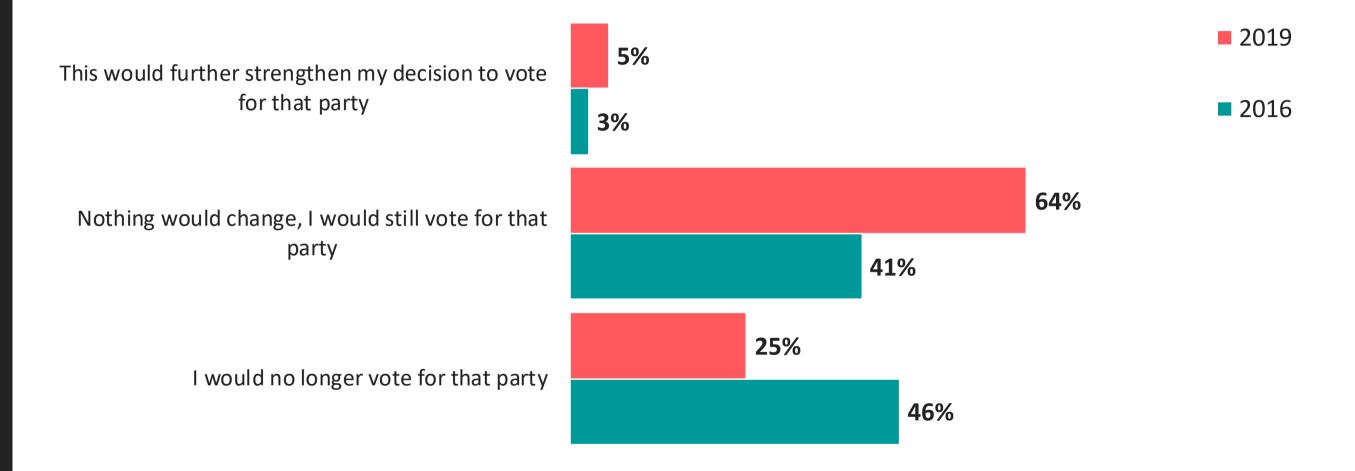


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And if you discover that one of your close politicians is homosexual, how, if at all, would that affect it you?

## The influence of the inclusion of LGBT rights in the political programme

SIMILAR LEVEL OF TOLERANCE IS REGISTERED IN THE SITUATION IF POLITICAL PARTY WHICH THE RESPONDENTS VOTE FOR, CHOOSES TO INCLUDE THE RIGHTS OF LGBT PERSONS IN THEIR PROGRAMME

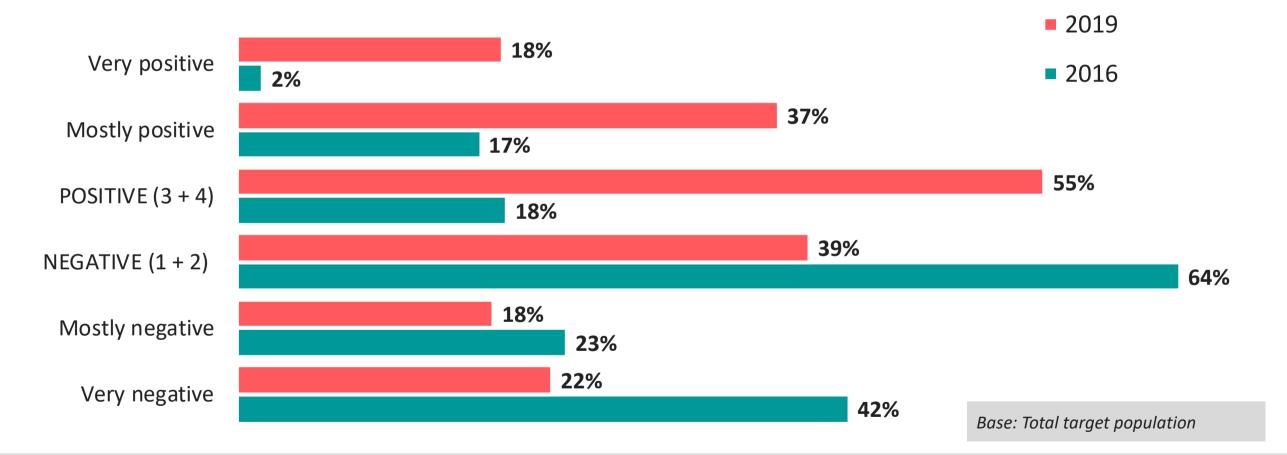


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If the political party you would vote for includes LGBT rights in their programme, how, if at all, would it affect you?

### The attitude towards the adoption of the Law on the Life Partnership of the Same – Sex Persons

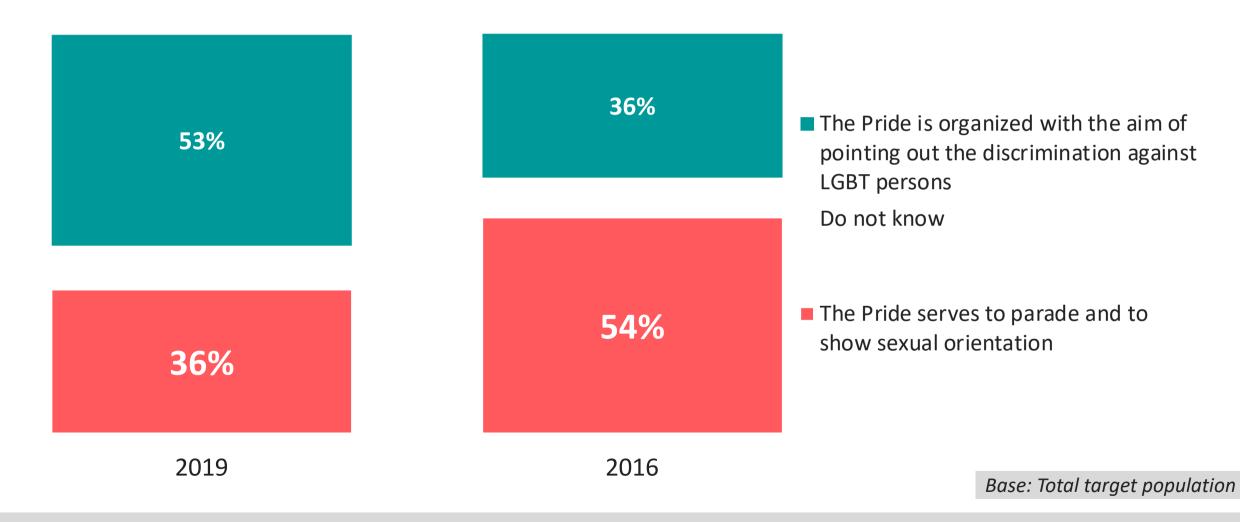
IN THIS WAVE, MORE THAN A HALF OF CITIZENS HAVE POSITIVE ATTITUDE TOWARDS ADOPTION OF THE LAW ON LIFE PARTNERSHIP OF THE SAME-SEX PERSONS



What is your attitude toward the announced adoption of the Law on the Life Partnership of the Same Sex Persons, which the Parliament of Montenegro shall soon adopt and which aims to provide same-sex couples with the rights in the field of work, social policy and in situations they face in their everyday life (right to pension, medical decisions...)?

## **Position about the Pride**

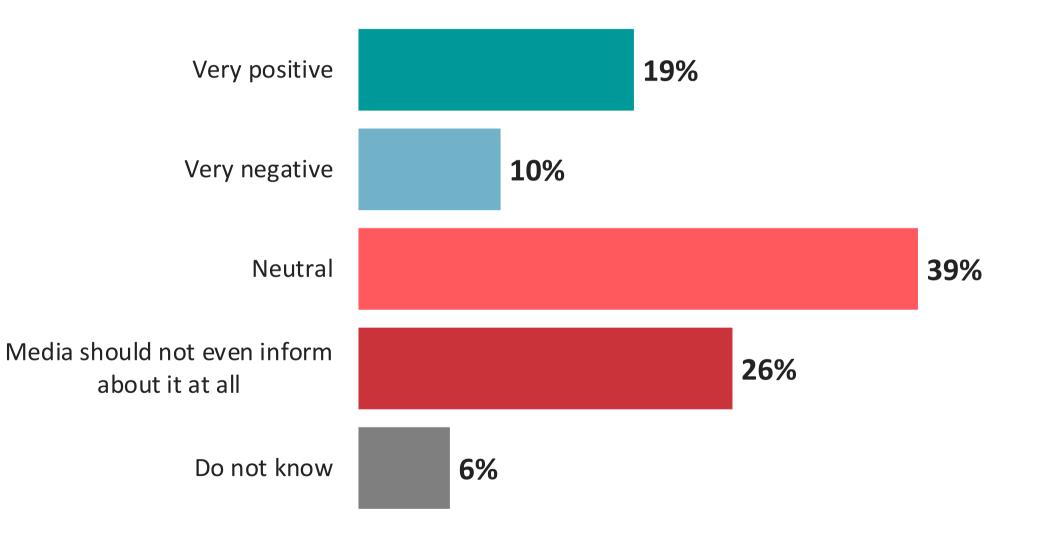
MORE AND MORE CITIZENS ALSO BELIEVE THAT THE PRIDE IS BEING ORGANISED WITH THE AIM OF POINTING OUT THE DISCRIMINATION AGAINST LGBT PERSONS



The issues of human rights, i.e. Discrimination, is often posed in relation to Pride. Certain people think that Pride serves to parade and show sexual orientation, others think that the Pride is being organized with the aim of pointing to LGBT persons. Which of these opinions is closest to yours?

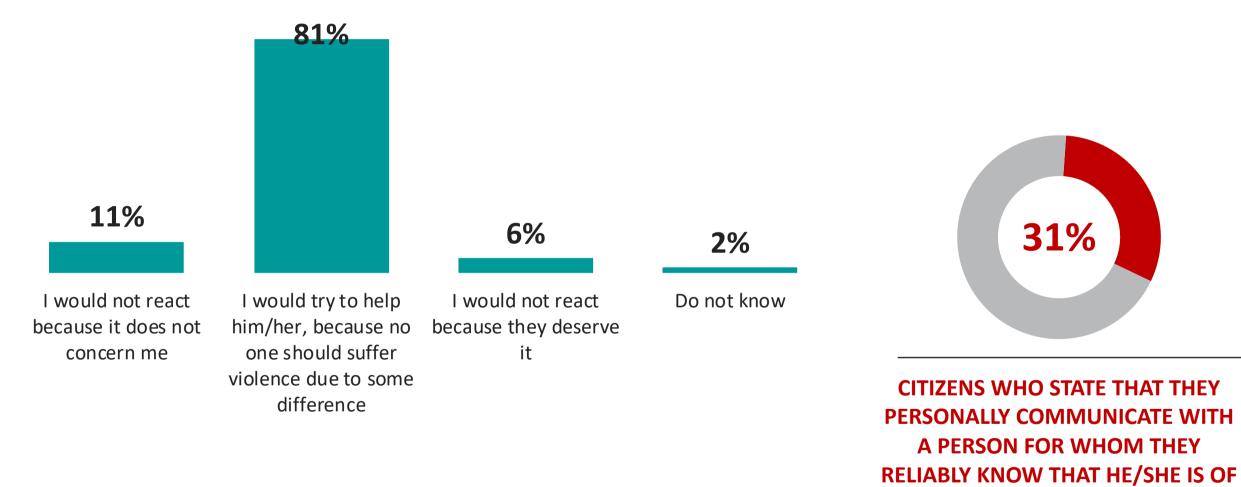
### MEDIA COVERAGE OF THE PRIDE

FOUR OF TEN CITIZENS BELIEVE THAT THE MEDIA ARE REPORTING NEUTRALLY ABOUT PRIDE, WHILE ONE-QUARTER BELIEVES THAT THE MEDIA SHOULD NOT EVEN INFORM ABOUT IT AT ALL.



### **REACTION TO VIOLENCE AGAINST LGBT PERSONS**

ALMOST ONE - THIRD OF CITIZENS STATES THAT THEY ARE PERSONALLY COMMUNICATING WITH LGBT PERSONS. ALSO, THE FACT THAT GREAT MAJORITY OF CITIZENS STATE THAT IN THE EVENT OF VIOLENCE THEY WOULD TRY TO HEPL THE LGBT PERSON IS ENCOURAGING.



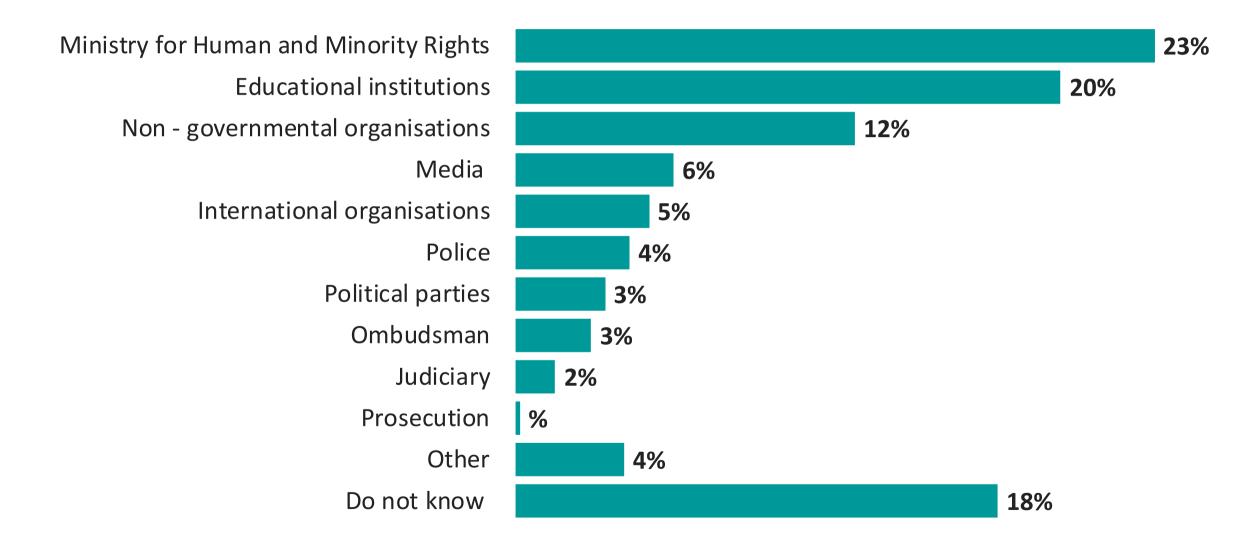
In the event of witnessing violence against the LGBT persons, what would you do?

Base: Total target population

**LGBT ORIENTATION** 

### INSTITUTIONS THAT HAVE THE MOST SIGNIFICANT ROLE IN THE FIGHT AGAINST HOMOPHOBIA

MINISTRY FOR HUMAN AND MINORITY RIGHTS AND EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS ARE PERCEIVED AS THE MOST RESPONSIBLE FOR FIGHT AGAINST HOMOPHOBIA.



In your opinion, which institution has the most significant role in the fight against homophobia?





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