
Conference of Irregular Migration

Panel I: The Scope of Irregular Migration

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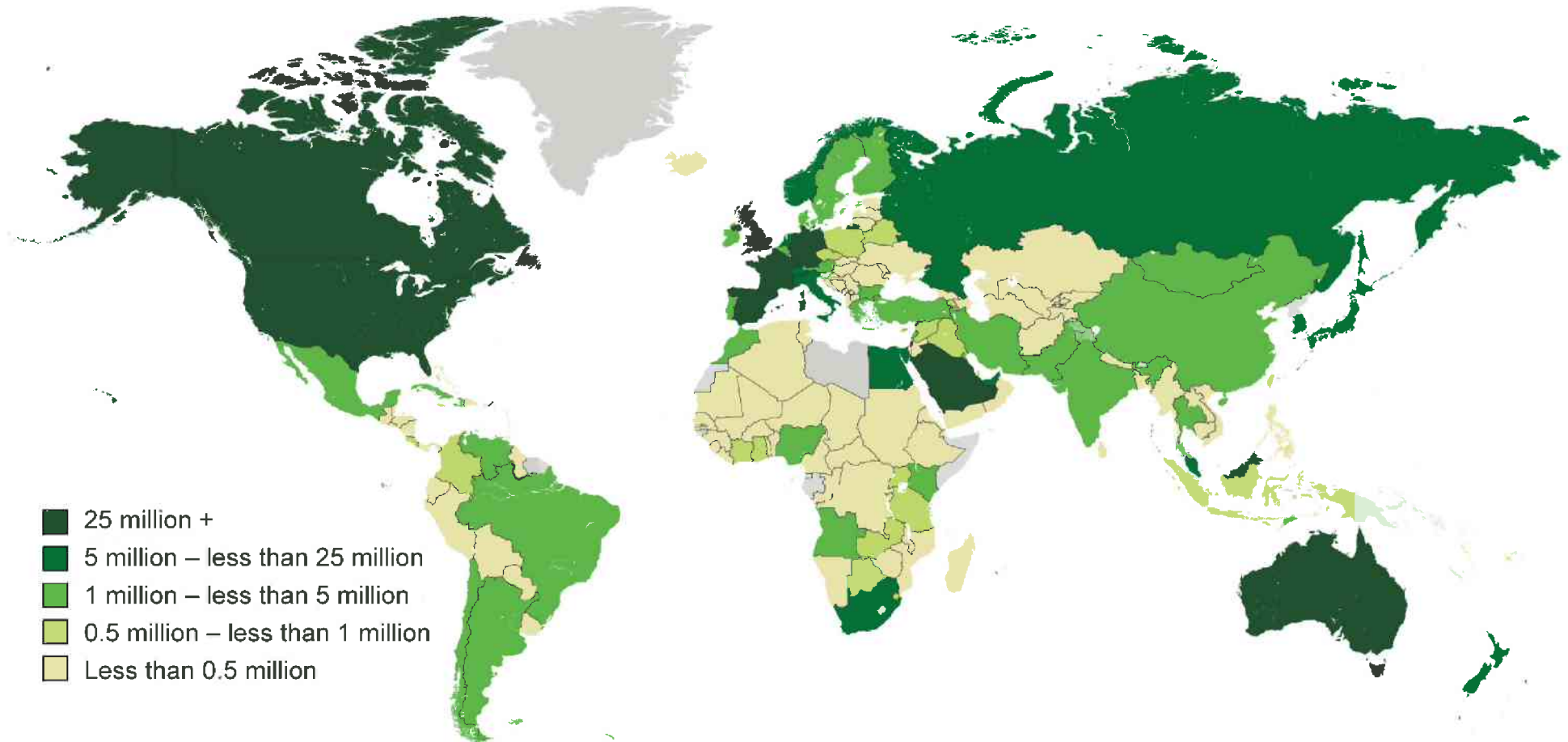
Gallup World Poll

- Annually polling 95% of the Earth's adult population
- Conducted in more than 130 countries and territories
- Rigorous measurement methodology
- Nationally representative data - includes both urban and rural areas
- Samples of at least 1,000 adults per country
- Same core questions asked across nations and over time to facilitate trend analysis
- Regional and local questions that provide contextual data
- Topics: jobs, health, safety, standard of living, government and private institutions, environment, migration, and education
- The analysis of adults' desire to move to another country permanently is based on 259,542 interviews aggregated across multiple surveys in 135 countries.

Key findings about potential permanent migration: who would like to move, where, and why.

- Approximately 700 million adults worldwide (16% of the global population) would like to move abroad permanently if given the opportunity:
 - 81% of adults who desire to move permanently abroad are from developing countries
 - 80% of adults in developing countries who would like to move abroad would like to go to developed countries
 - 13% of potential migrants in developed countries would like to move to developing countries
- In most countries, people's desire to relocate to another country permanently did not decrease meaningfully after the global economic crisis hit in 2008.

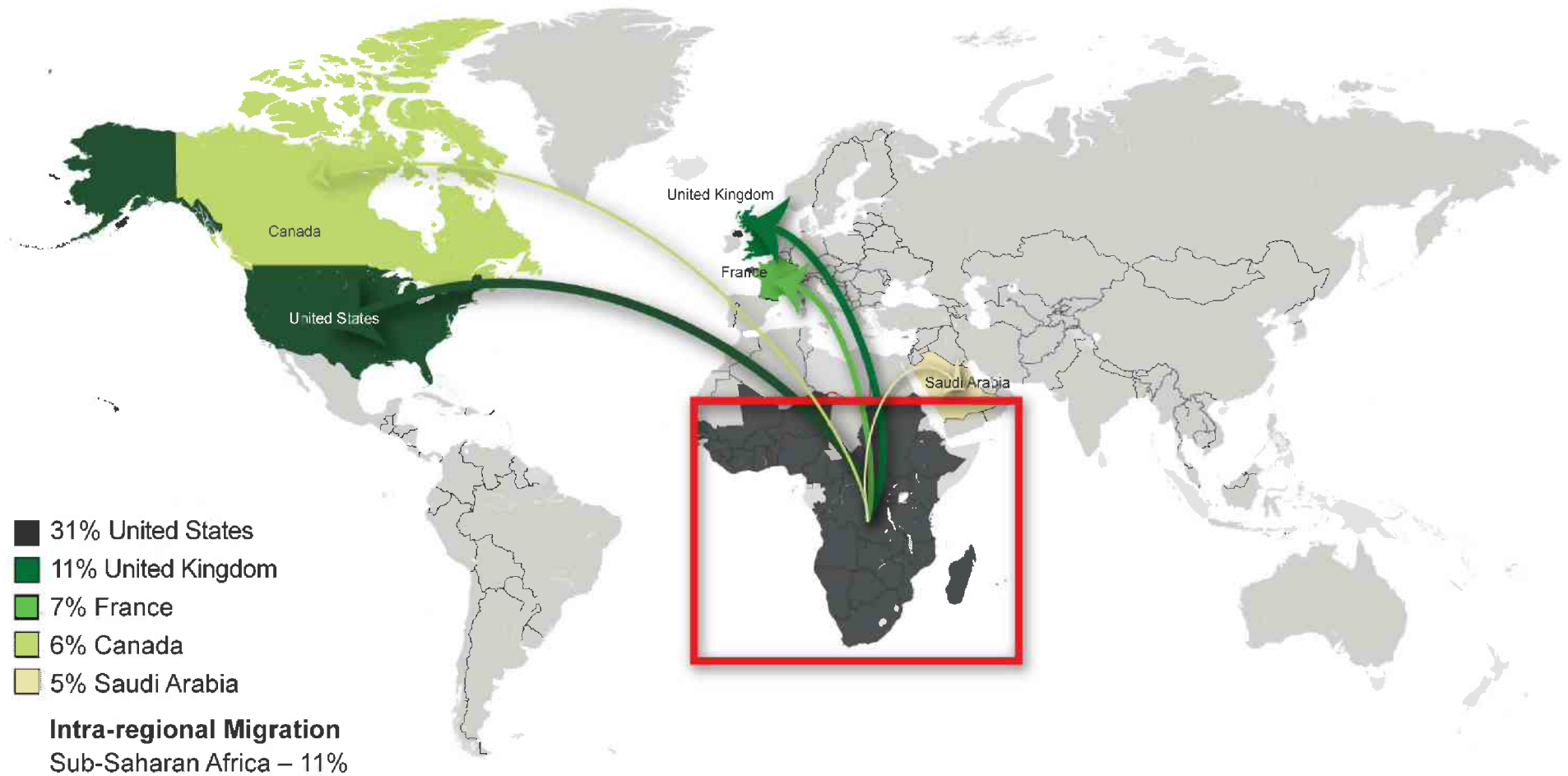
The top desired destination countries are the U.S., Canada, the U.K., France, Spain, Saudi Arabia, Germany, and Australia.



Adults in Latin America are most likely to say they would like to move permanently to the EU and Northern America.



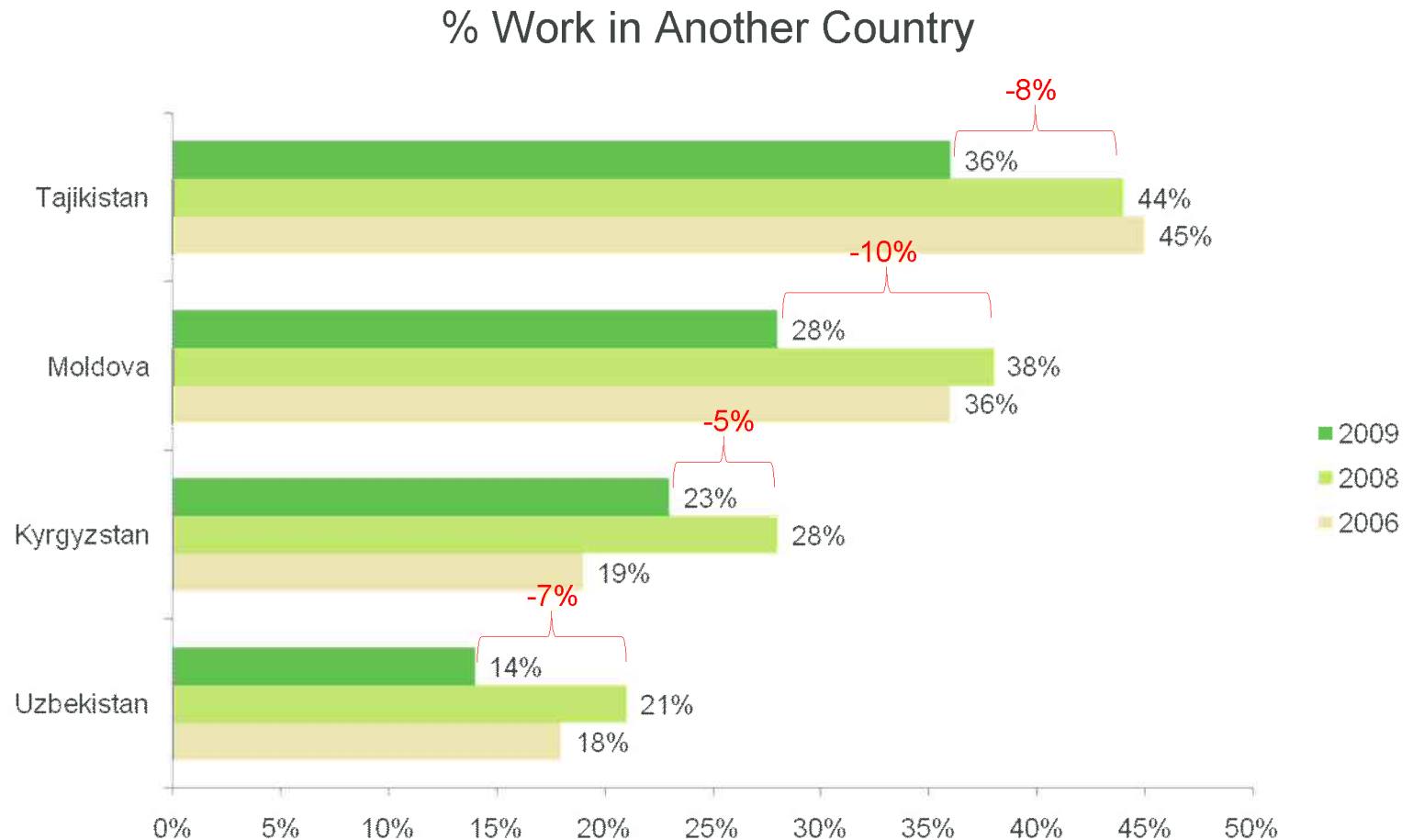
Adults in Sub-Saharan Africa are most likely to say they would like to move permanently to Northern America and the EU.



Countries with Highest Dependence on Remittance

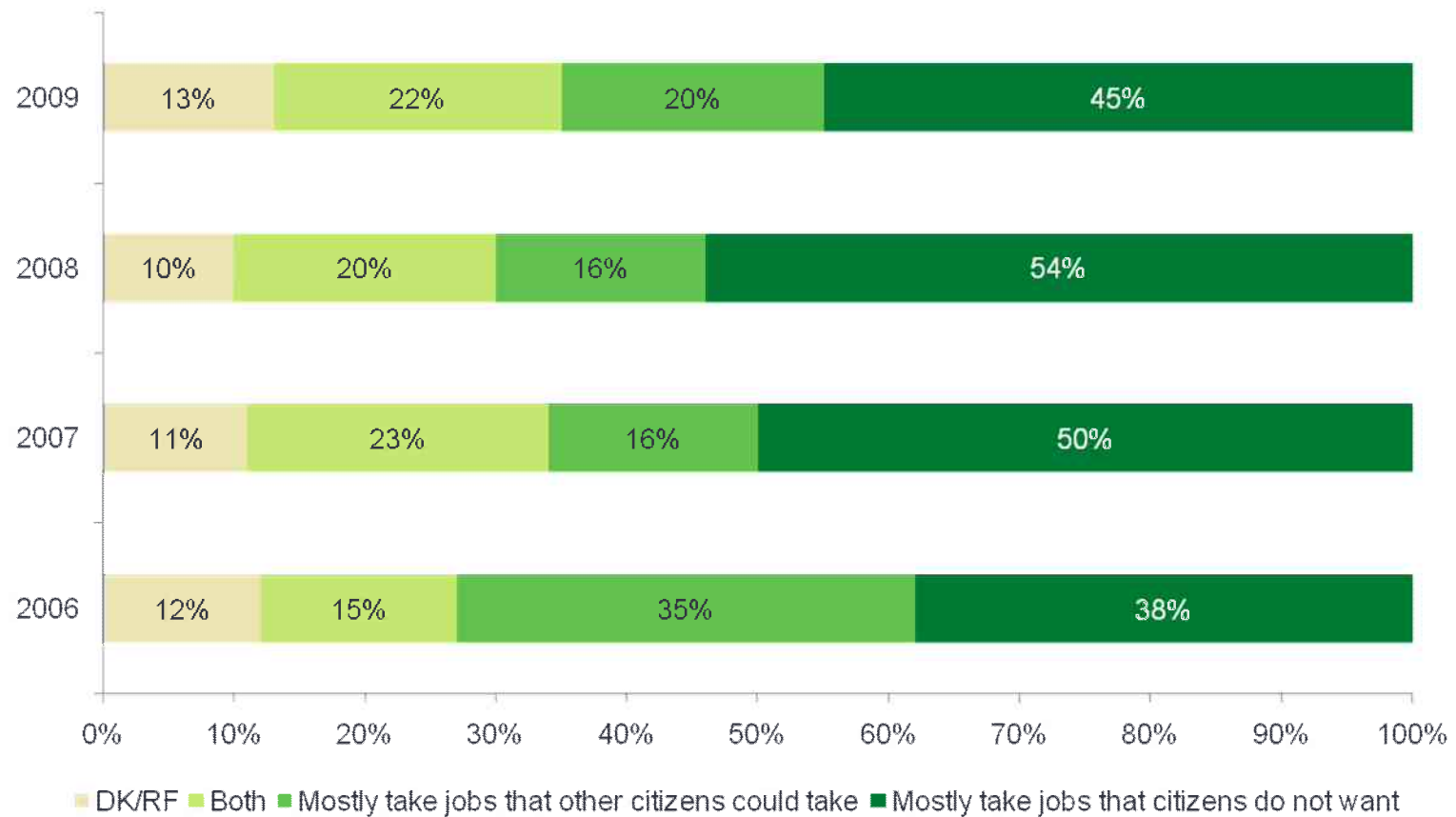
- Percent of adults who said that their household received remittance from another country in the last 12 months (question was asked in 2009)
 - Somaliland - 43%
 - Comoros - 34%,
 - Zimbabwe - 30%
 - Dominican Republic - 27%
 - Senegal - 25%
 - Niger - 25%
 - Philippines - 23%
 - Moldova - 22%
 - Tajikistan - 21%
 - Nicaragua - 21%

Impact of the Economic Crisis on Migrant Workers



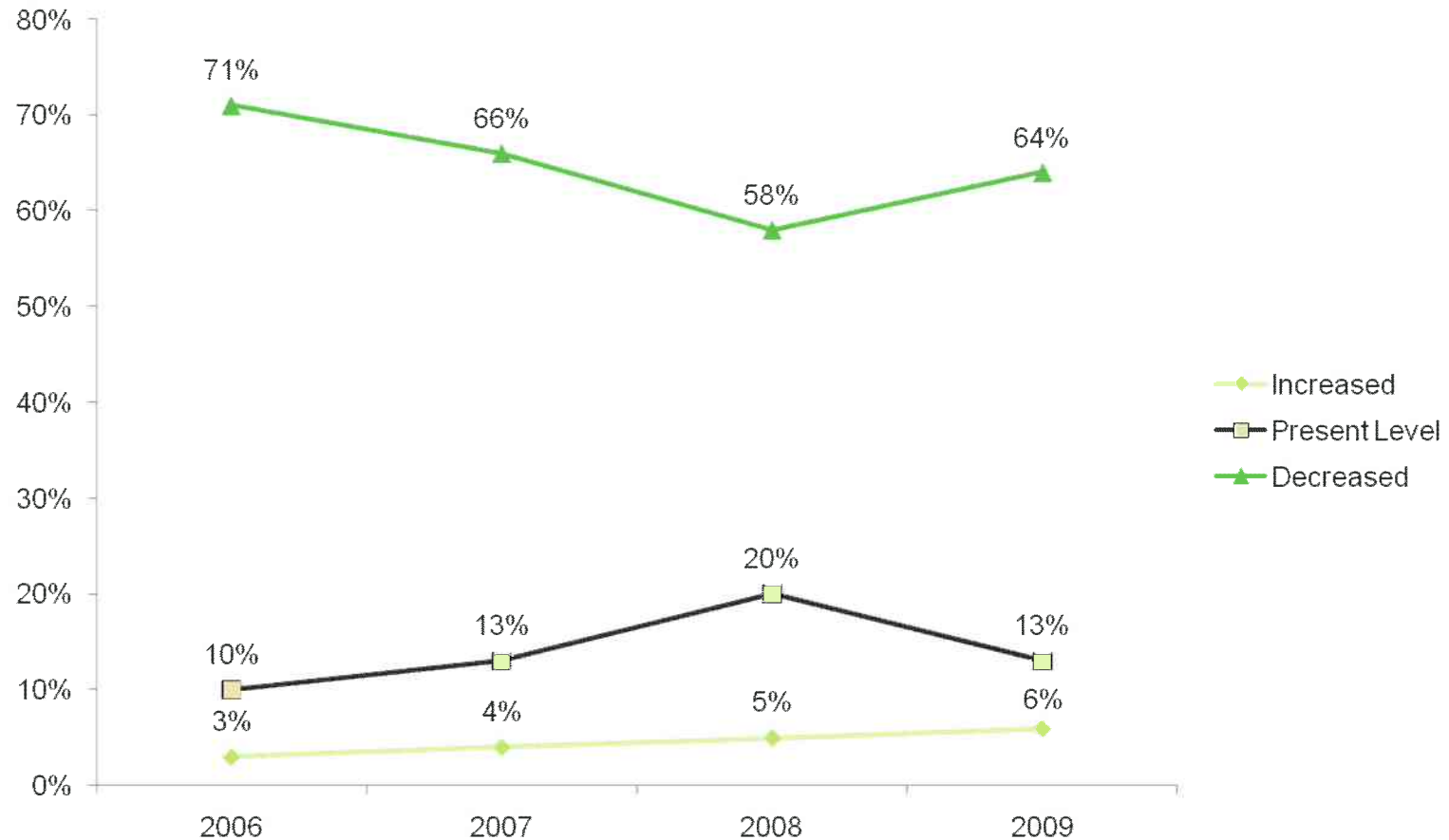
Question: Does anyone in this household work temporarily in another country, or does everyone work in this country?

Russia: Immigrants and Jobs



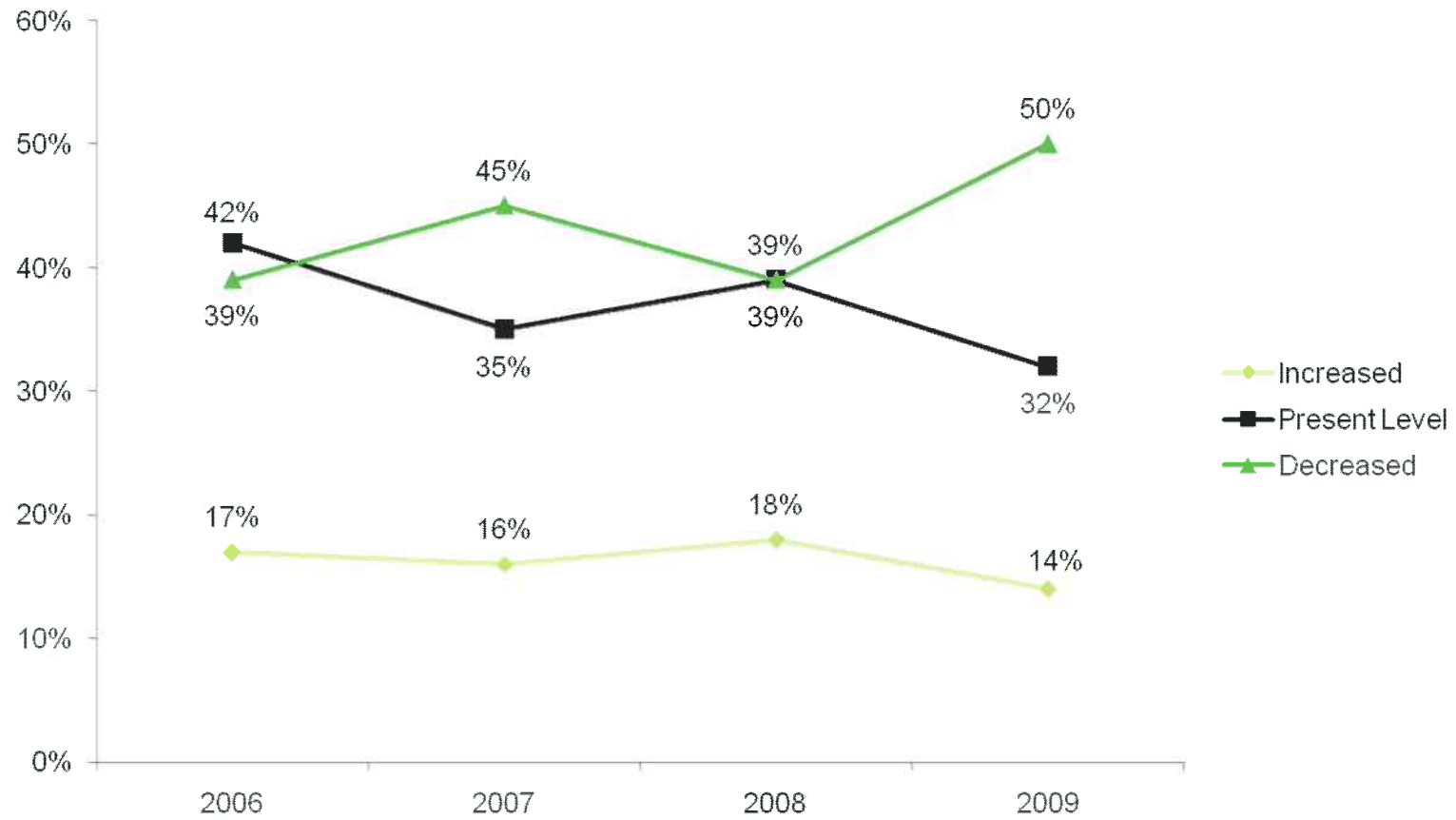
Question: Do you think immigrants 1) Mostly take jobs that citizens in Russia do not want (e.g. low-paying or not prestigious), or 2) Mostly take jobs that other citizens in Russia could take?

Russia: Attitude Toward Immigrants



Question: In your view, should immigration in Russia be kept at its present level, increased, or decreased?

US: Attitude Toward Immigrants



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