

2026 Police Service Benchmarks

SPS Focus

August 2026



How Jurisdiction Was Determined

Canadians were asked to rate the "police service with jurisdiction in their area," so when we refer to citizens' ratings of **LPS**, these are citizens who say that LPS has jurisdiction in the area where they live.

Tiers

SPS, RCMP, OPS, CPS, EPS, LPS, DRPS, and BPS subscribe to these reports, so their results are shown individually. The other police services are grouped into tiers based on population.

- Tier 0: SQ and OPP (RCMP would be in this group if it hadn't subscribed)
- Tier 1: Toronto, Montreal, Peel, York (Ottawa, Calgary, and Edmonton would be in this group had they not subscribed)
- Tier 2: Winnipeg, Vancouver, Waterloo, Quebec City, Halton, Longueuil Agglomeration, Hamilton (Durham would be in this group had they not subscribed)
- Tier 3: Laval, Halifax, Niagara (London would be in this group if it had not subscribed)
- Tier 4: Royal Newfoundland, Gatineau, Windsor, Regina (Saskatoon would be in this group if it had not subscribed)
- Tier 5: All others, except Barrie (Barrie would be in this group if it had not subscribed)

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Methodology

A random sample of Canadians aged 18+:

- *May-July 2026: 30,016 Canada-wide and 561 for SPS*
- *May-June 2025 and January 2025 for SPS: 25,399 Canada-wide and 424 for SPS*
- *Not every respondent answers every question; it's their choice*

Please see the footnotes for more details.

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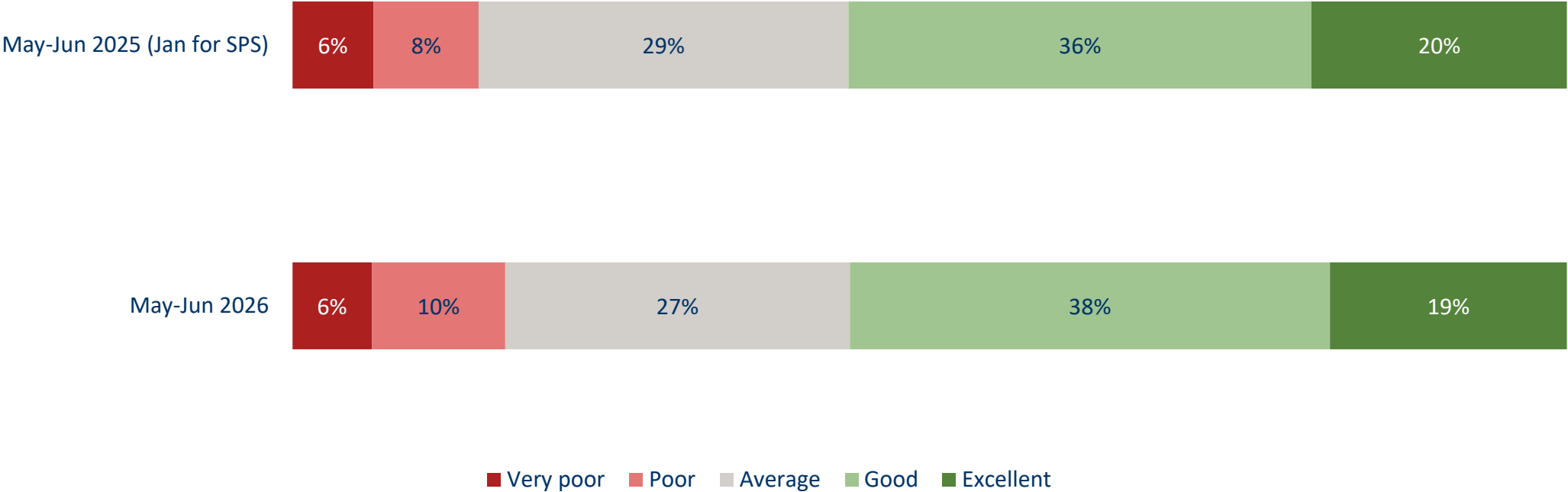
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SPS can also conduct its own analysis with all the data online here: [Create Analysis](#)

1a. Perception of Police Service (PSC Questions) - SPS Only

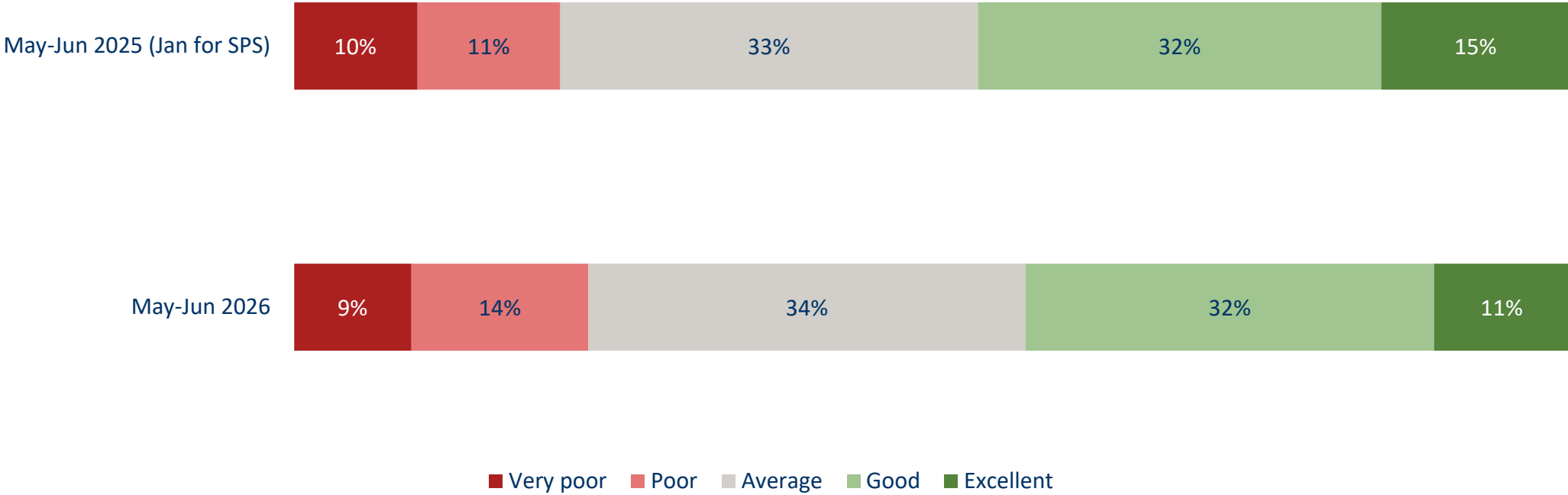
In 2026, 56% rate SPS' service as *excellent* or *good*, on par with 56% in 2025.

Overall job of police in your community



Similar to 2025, SPS' citizens perceive that their own police service is much better (56% from previous slide) than those in other Canadian jurisdictions (43%).

Overall job of police in your country



Levels of agreement with statements about SPS have not changed significantly since 2025.

Saskatoon's citizens are most likely to *agree* or *strongly agree* with statements about supporting the police: **helping the police if asked, feeling a moral duty to follow police orders, and supporting how the police usually act.**

Citizens are least likely to *agree* or *strongly agree* that the **police provide the same quality of service to all citizens.**

NET Agree (agree + strongly agree) with statements about your police service		
	May-Jun 2025 (Jan for SPS)	May-Jun 2026
SUPPORT I would help the police if asked.	83%	84%
SUPPORT I feel a moral duty to follow police orders.	83%	79%
SUPPORT I generally support how the police usually act.	68%	71%
BEHAVIOUR The police treat people with respect.	65%	68%
BEHAVIOUR The police make decisions based on facts.	64%	63%
FOCUS The police are dealing with the things that matter to people in this community.	54%	56%
EQUITY The police provide the same quality of service to all citizens.	46%	46%

Weight: Weight within police jurisdiction based on age, gender, household income, and household property victimization

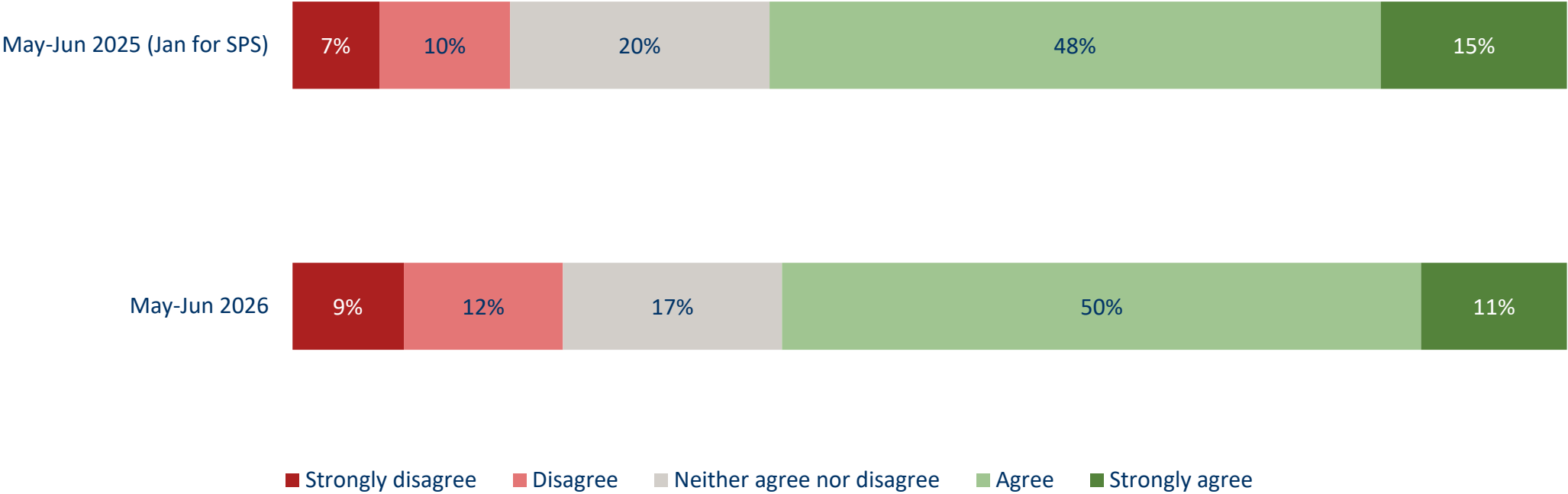
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Indeed, the highest percentage of citizens *disagreeing* or *strongly disagreeing* with any of the statements is for the **police providing the same quality of service to all citizens** (35%).

NET Disagree (disagree + strongly disagree) with statements about your police service		
	May-Jun 2025 (Jan for SPS)	May-Jun 2026
SUPPORT I would help the police if asked.	7%	5%
SUPPORT I feel a moral duty to follow police orders.	6%	9%
SUPPORT I generally support how the police usually act.	17%	15%
BEHAVIOUR The police treat people with respect.	18%	17%
BEHAVIOUR The police make decisions based on facts.	17%	17%
FOCUS The police are dealing with the things that matter to people in this community.	28%	28%
EQUITY The police provide the same quality of service to all citizens.	39%	35%

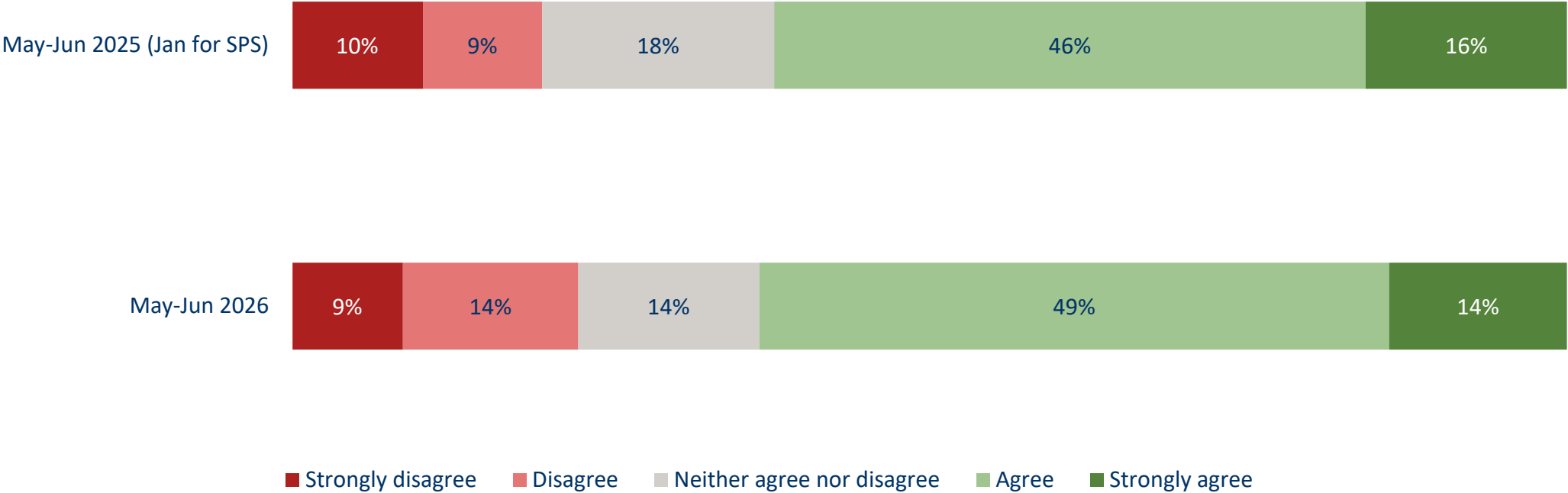
In 2026, 62% of SPS' citizens *agree* or *strongly agree* that the police **resolve violent crimes**, on par with 63% in 2025.

Resolving crimes where violence is involved



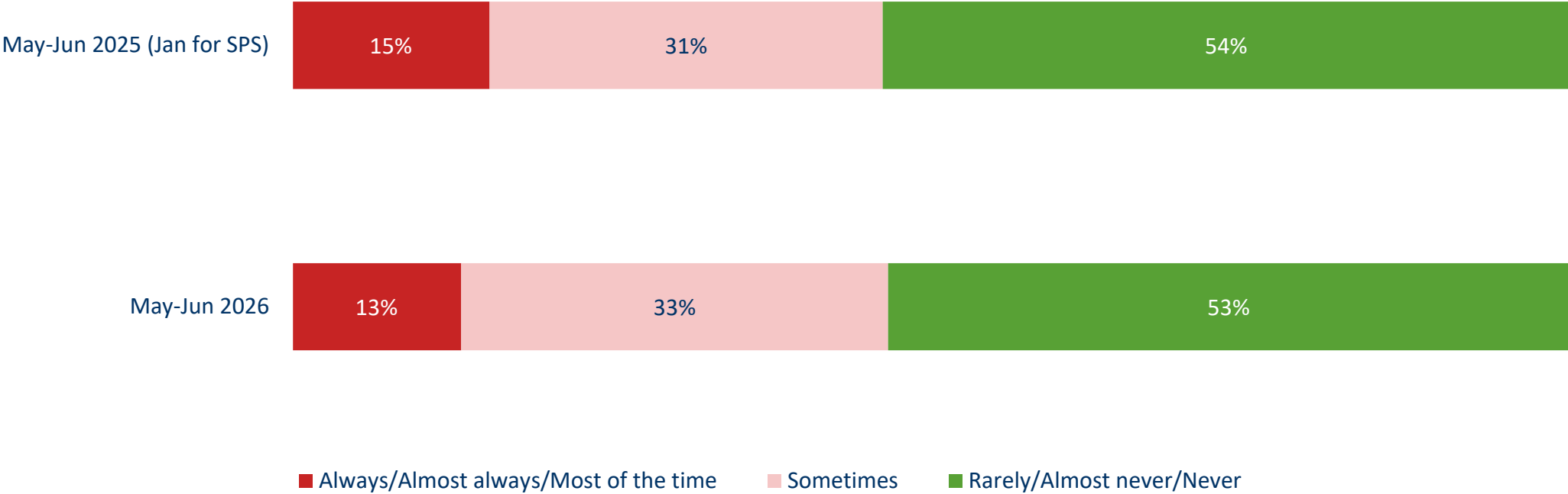
And virtually the same percentage (63%) *agree or strongly agree* that SPS **responds quickly to calls for assistance**.

Responding quickly to calls for assistance



Similar to 2025, about one-in-eight (13%) Saskatoon citizens think that SPS **exceeds its authority** *always/almost always/most of the time* in 2026.

Exceed their authority

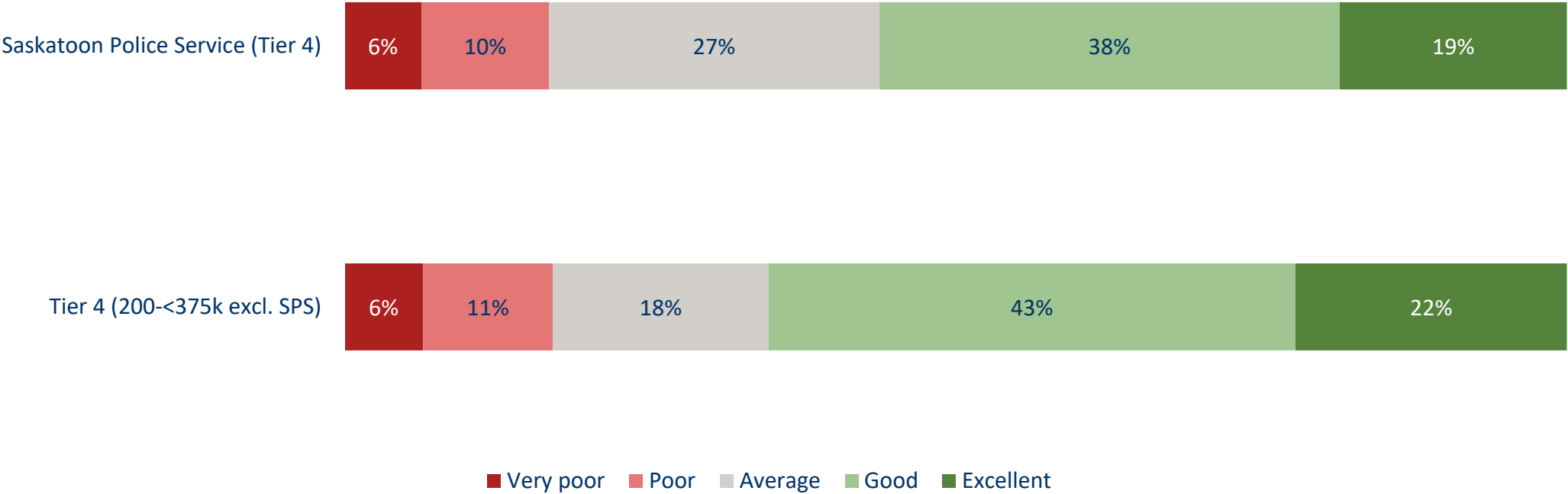


1b. Perception of Police Service (PSC Questions) – SPS vs. Other Police Services

In 2026, citizens in SPS' jurisdiction, based on the *excellent/good* rating, **rate their own service lower** than other police services in Tier 4 jurisdictions (56% and 65% respectively)

- Tier 4 jurisdictions all have populations between 200,000 and 375,000, so comparable to Saskatoon.

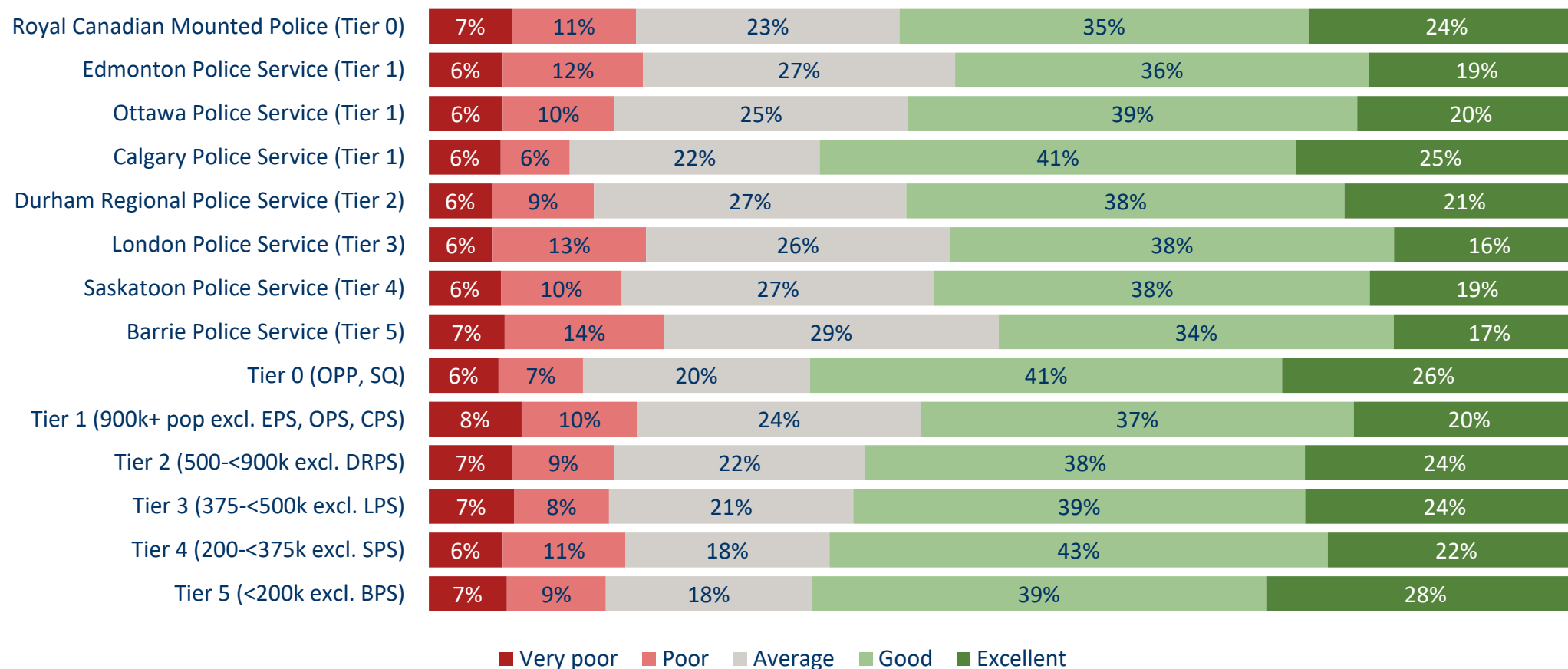
Overall job of police in your community



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Base Sizes: Saskatoon Police Service (Tier 4) (n=542), Tier 4 (200-375k excl. SPS) (n=782)

All police services:

Overall job of police in your community



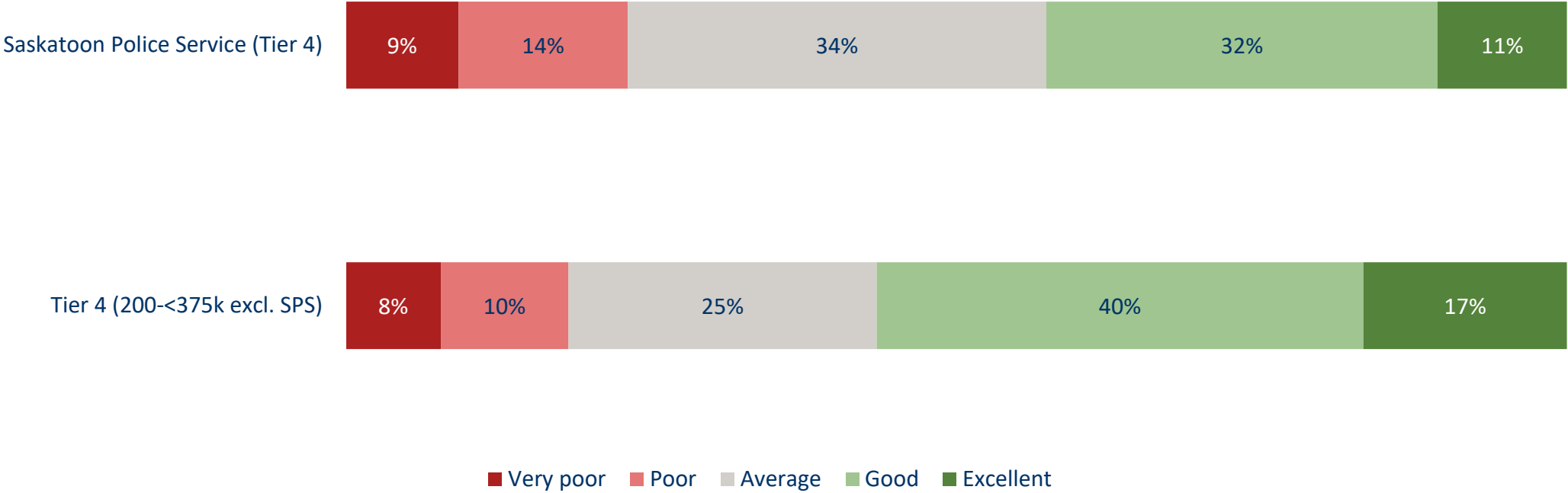
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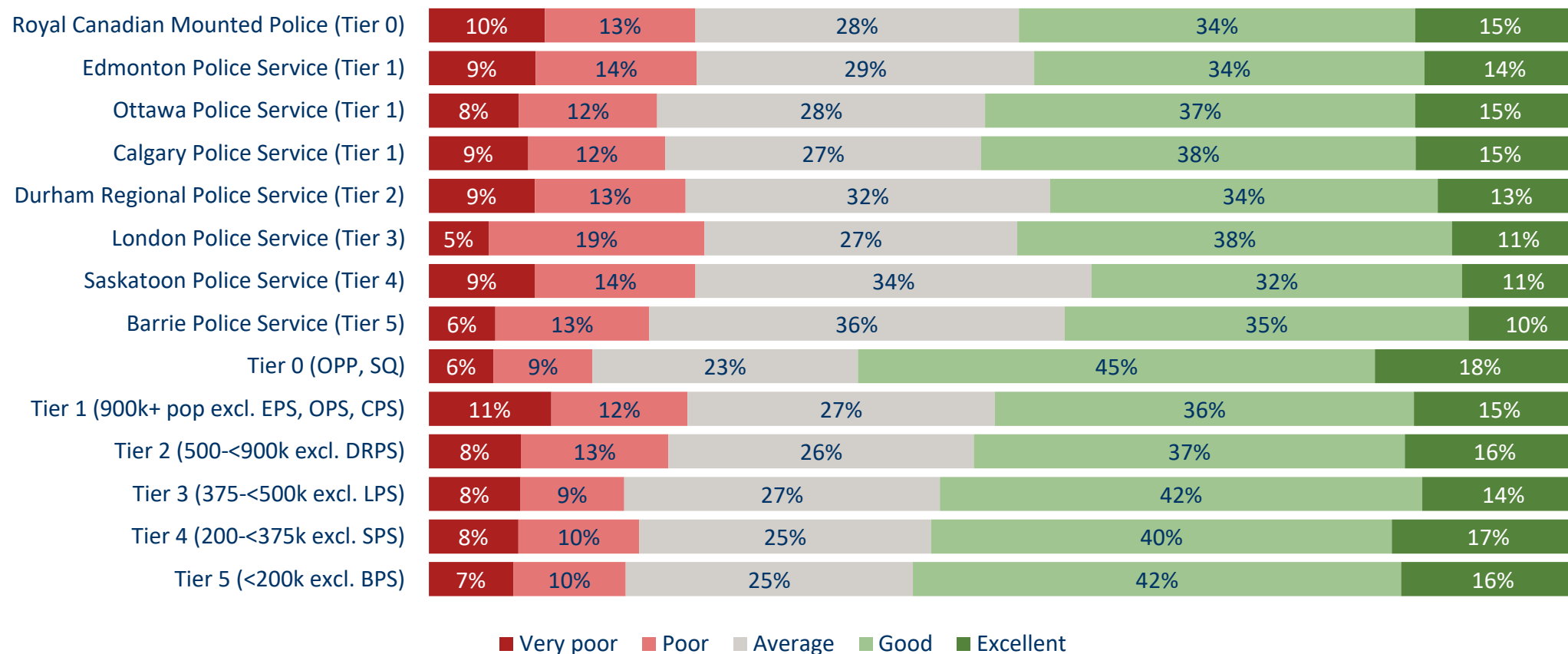
In 2026, citizens in SPS' jurisdiction, based on the *excellent/good* rating, **rate the police in the rest of the country statistically lower** than other police services in Tier 4 jurisdictions (43% and 57% respectively).

Overall job of police in your country



All police services:

Overall job of police in your country



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Base Sizes: Royal Canadian Mounted Police (Tier 0) (n=3773), Edmonton Police Service (Tier 1) (n=1895), Ottawa Police Service (Tier 1) (n=2174), Calgary Police Service (Tier 1) (n=1590), Durham Regional Police Service (Tier 2) (n=1005), London Police Service (Tier 3) (n=904), Saskatoon Police Service (Tier 4) (n=518), Barrie Police Service (Tier 5) (n=534), Tier 0 (OPP, SQ) (n=2600), Tier 1 (900k+ pop excl. EPS, OPS, TPS) (n=4271), Tier 2 (500-<900k excl. DRPS) (n=3510), Tier 3 (375-<500k excl. LPS) (n=745), Tier 4 (200-<375k excl. SPS) (n=758), Tier 5 (<200k) (n=3731)

In 2026, Saskatoon's citizens are less likely to **help the police if asked**, believe that the **police are dealing with the things that matter** to people in community, and *agree* or *strongly agree* that the **police provide the same quality of service to all citizens** compared to those in other Tier 4 jurisdictions.

Citizens in the SPS' jurisdiction give similar ratings to the remaining police service as those in the rest of Tier 4 jurisdictions.

NET Agree (agree + strongly agree) with statements about your police service		
	Saskatoon Police Service (Tier 4)	Tier 4 (200-<375k excl. SPS)
	A	B
SUPPORT I would help the police if asked.	84%	89% A
SUPPORT I feel a moral duty to follow police orders.	79%	81%
SUPPORT I generally support how the police usually act.	71%	72%
BEHAVIOUR The police treat people with respect.	68%	72%
BEHAVIOUR The police make decisions based on facts.	63%	66%
FOCUS The police are dealing with the things that matter to people in this community.	56%	63% A
EQUITY The police provide the same quality of service to all citizens.	46%	53% A

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All police services:

NET Agree (agree + strongly agree) with statements about your police service														
	RCMP (Tier 0)	Edmonton PS (Tier 1)	Ottawa PS (Tier 1)	Calgary PS (Tier 1)	Durham RPS (Tier 2)	London PS (Tier 3)	Saskatoon PS (Tier 4)	Barrie PS (Tier 5)	Tier 0 (OPP, SQ)	Tier 1 (900k+ pop excl. EPS, OPS, CPS)	Tier 2 (500-<900k excl. DRPS)	Tier 3 (375- <500k excl. LPS)	Tier 4 (200- <375k excl. SPS)	Tier 5 (<200k, excl. BPS)
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N
SUPPORT I would help the police if asked.	87%	85%	87%	88%	87%	87%	84%	87%	90%	86%	86%	88%	89%	89%
			B	B G K					A B C D E F G J K N				B G K	A B G J K
SUPPORT I feel a moral duty to follow police orders.	79%	78%	79%	82%	79%	79%	79%	83%	86%	81%	81%	83%	81%	84%
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SUPPORT I generally support how the police usually act.	75%	69%	72%	75%	74%	71%	71%	73%	78%	67%	72%	71%	72%	74%
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BEHAVIOUR The police treat people with respect.	70%	64%	69%	71%	70%	71%	68%	63%	76%	65%	70%	69%	72%	73%
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BEHAVIOUR The police make decisions based on facts.	64%	61%	62%	68%	61%	62%	63%	61%	69%	58%	65%	65%	66%	64%
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FOCUS The police are dealing with the things that matter to people in this community.	59%	57%	58%	64%	58%	53%	56%	52%	64%	56%	60%	61%	63%	63%
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EQUITY The police provide the same quality of service to all citizens.	52%	44%	48%	51%	51%	47%	46%	43%	58%	45%	52%	54%	53%	59%
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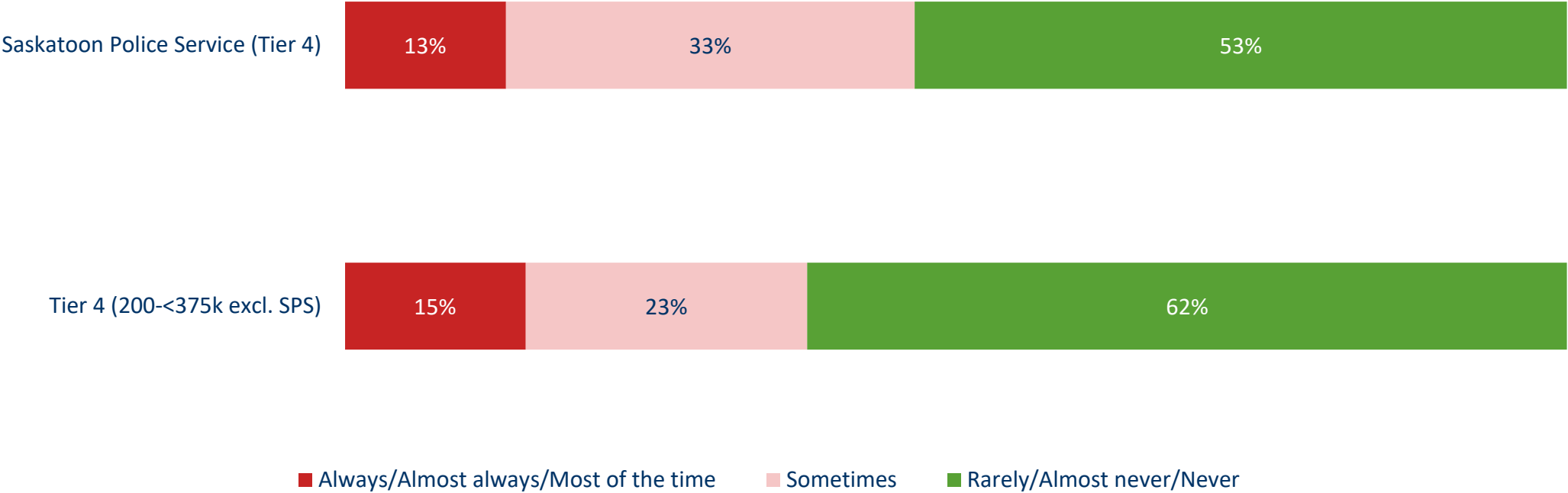
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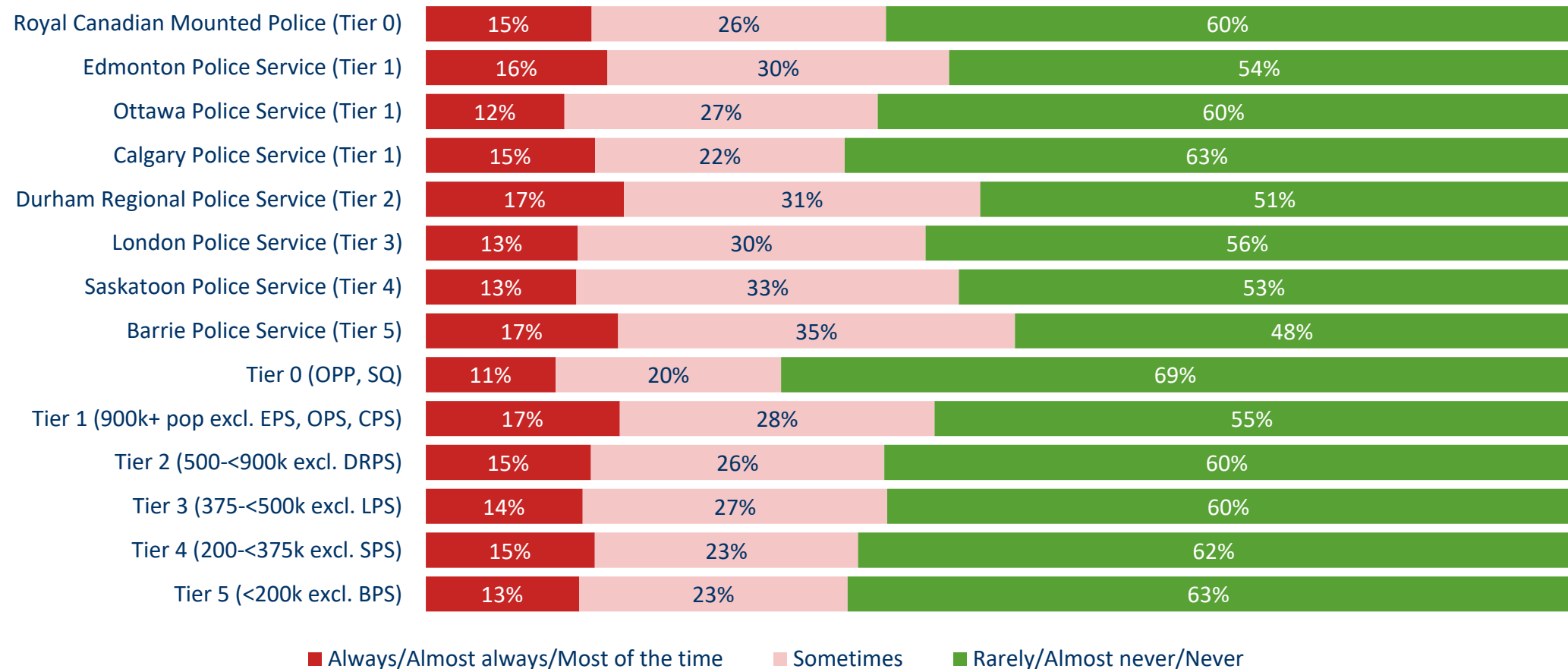
Exceed their authority



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All police services:

Exceed their authority



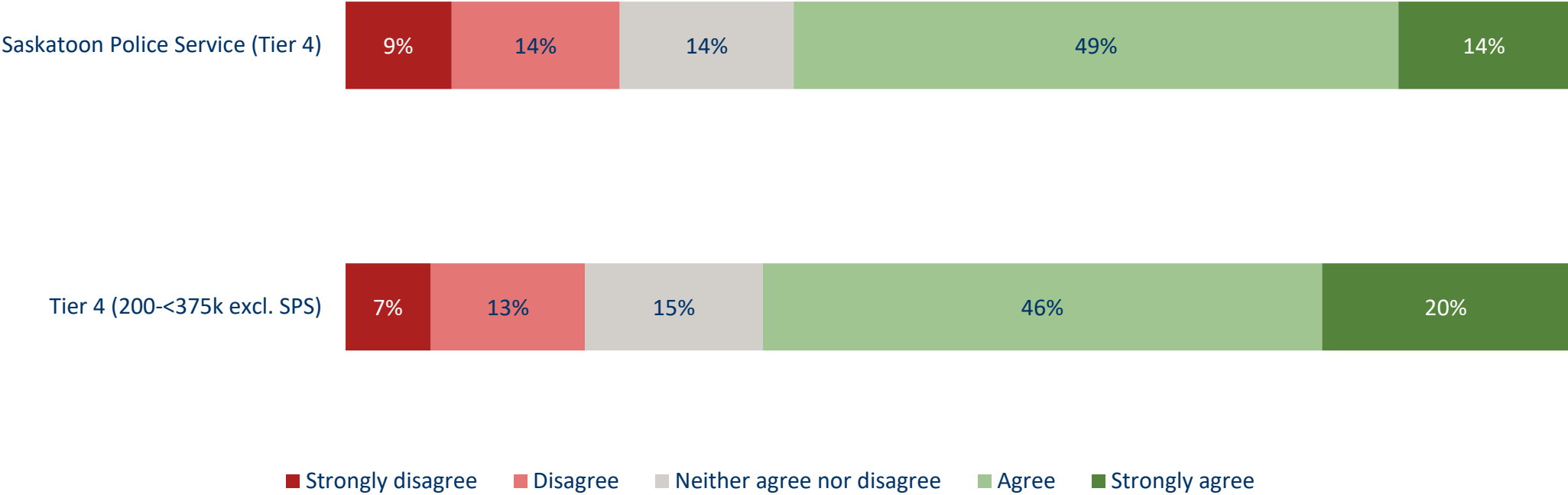
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In 2026, citizens in the SPS' jurisdiction are just as likely to *agree* or *strongly agree* that the police **responds quickly** as those in comparably-sized jurisdictions (Tier 4).

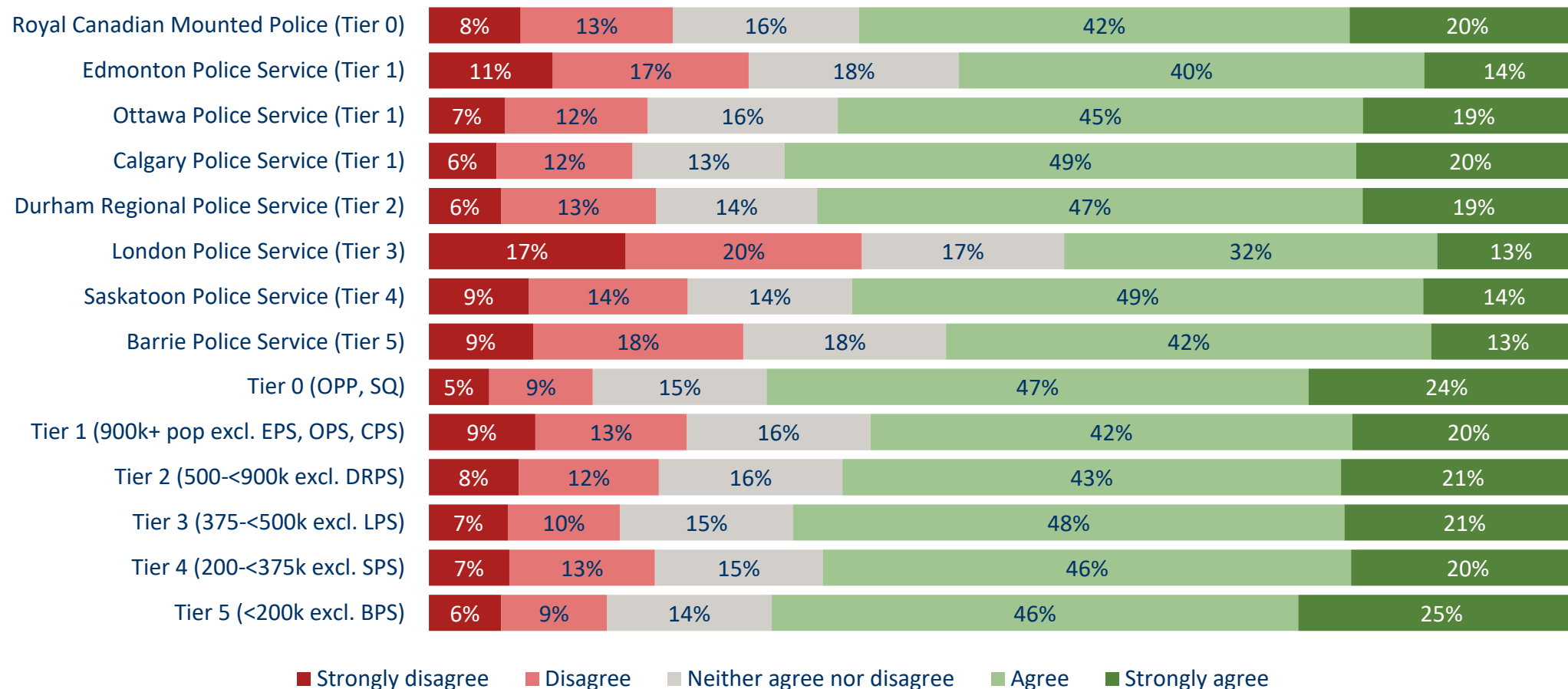
Responding quickly to calls for assistance



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All police services:

Responding quickly to calls for assistance



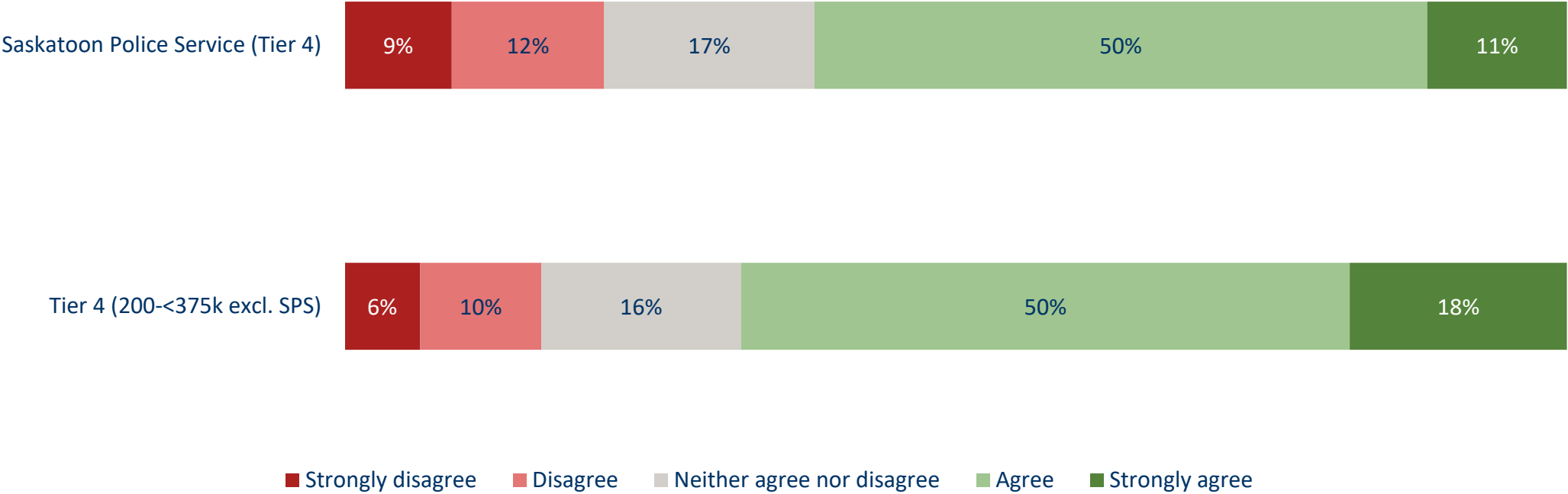
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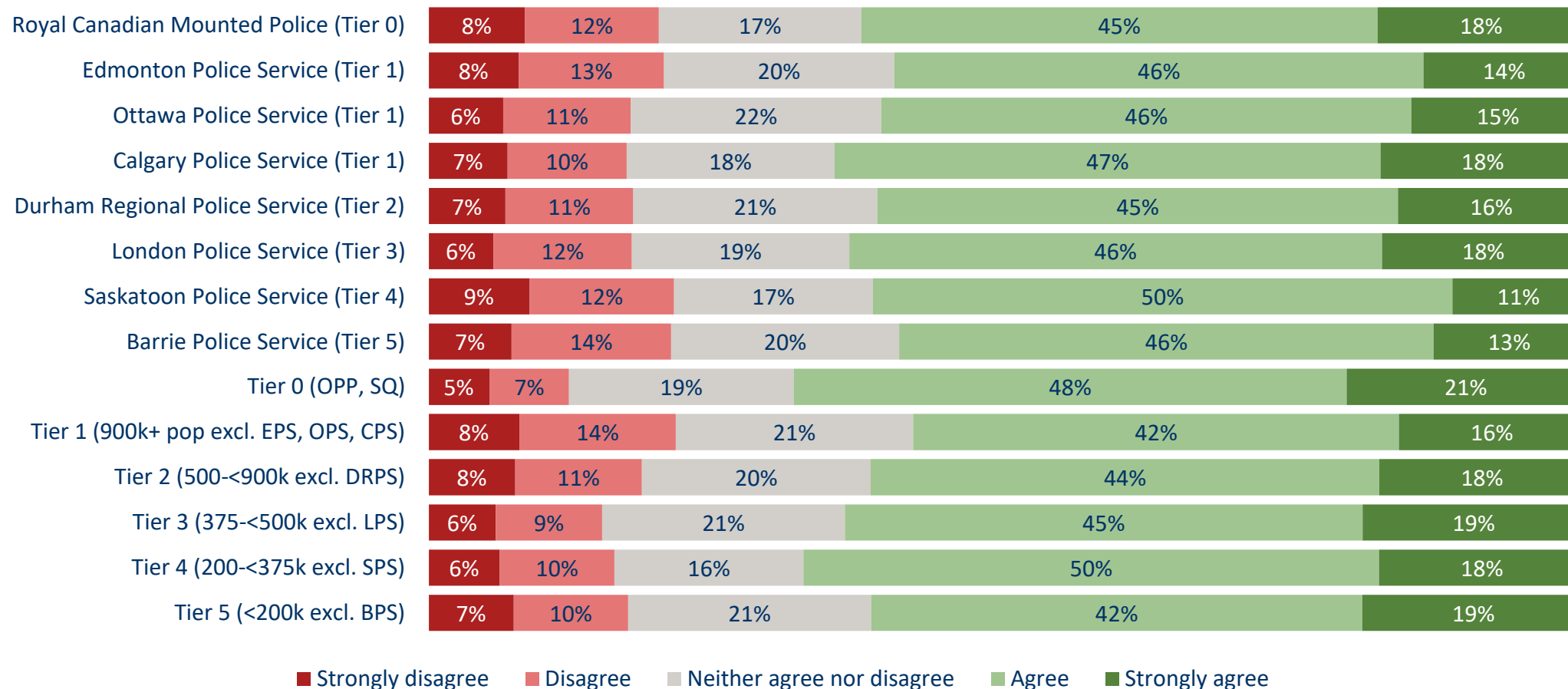
In 2026, citizens in the SPS' jurisdiction are just as likely to *agree* or *strongly agree* that the police are effective at **resolving violent crimes** as those in the other jurisdictions its size (Tier 4).

Resolving crimes where violence is involved



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Resolving crimes where violence is involved



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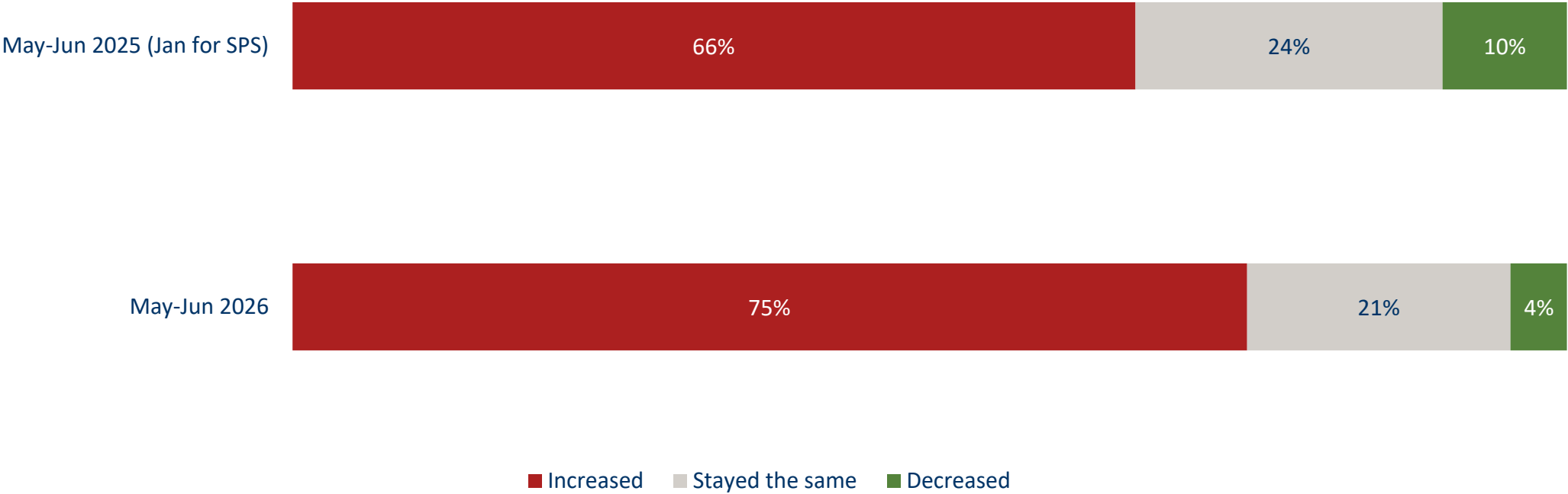
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2a. Perceptions of Public Safety (Advanis Questions) - SPS Only

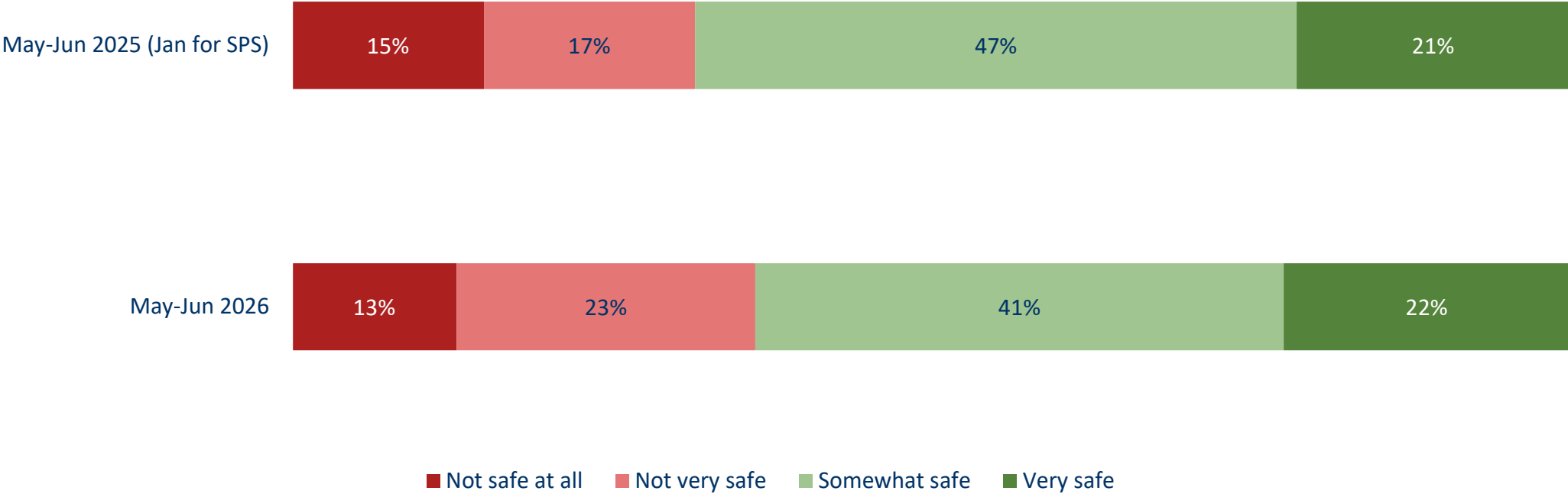
In 2025, 75% of those in the SPS' jurisdiction **feel that crime has increased** over the past 5 years; a higher proportion compared to 2025 (66%).

Change in amount of crime in your community in past 5 years



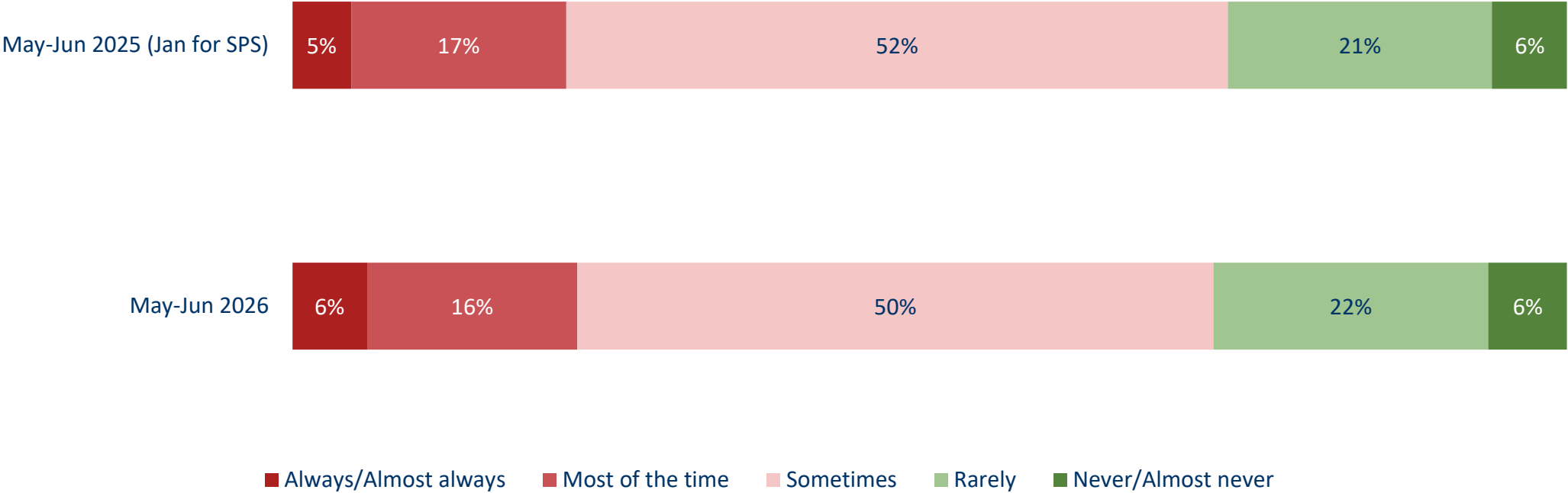
Just over one-third (36%) of those in the SPS' jurisdiction **feel unsafe walking alone in their community after dark, on par** with last year.

How safe when walking alone in your community after dark



About three-quarters (72%) of those in the SPS' jurisdiction **worry about crime** *at least sometimes*, similar to 2025 (73%).

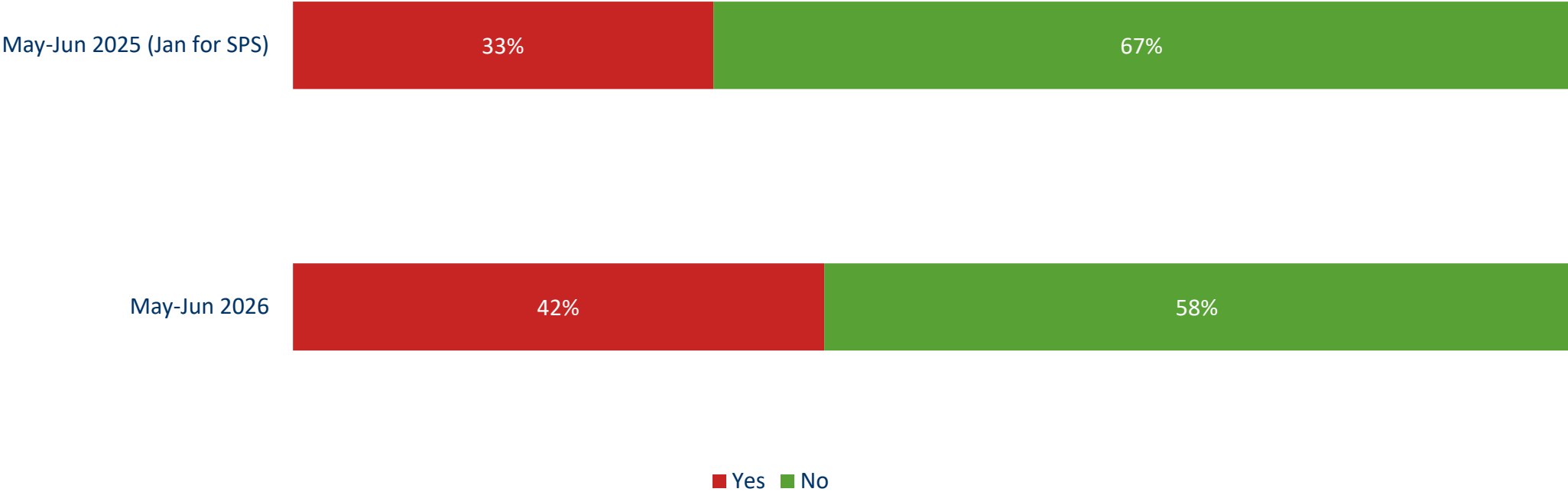
How often worry about crime



42% of citizens in the SPS' jurisdiction report that **someone in their household has been a victim** of personal, property, and/or financial crime in the past 12 months; a higher proportion compared to 2025 (33%).

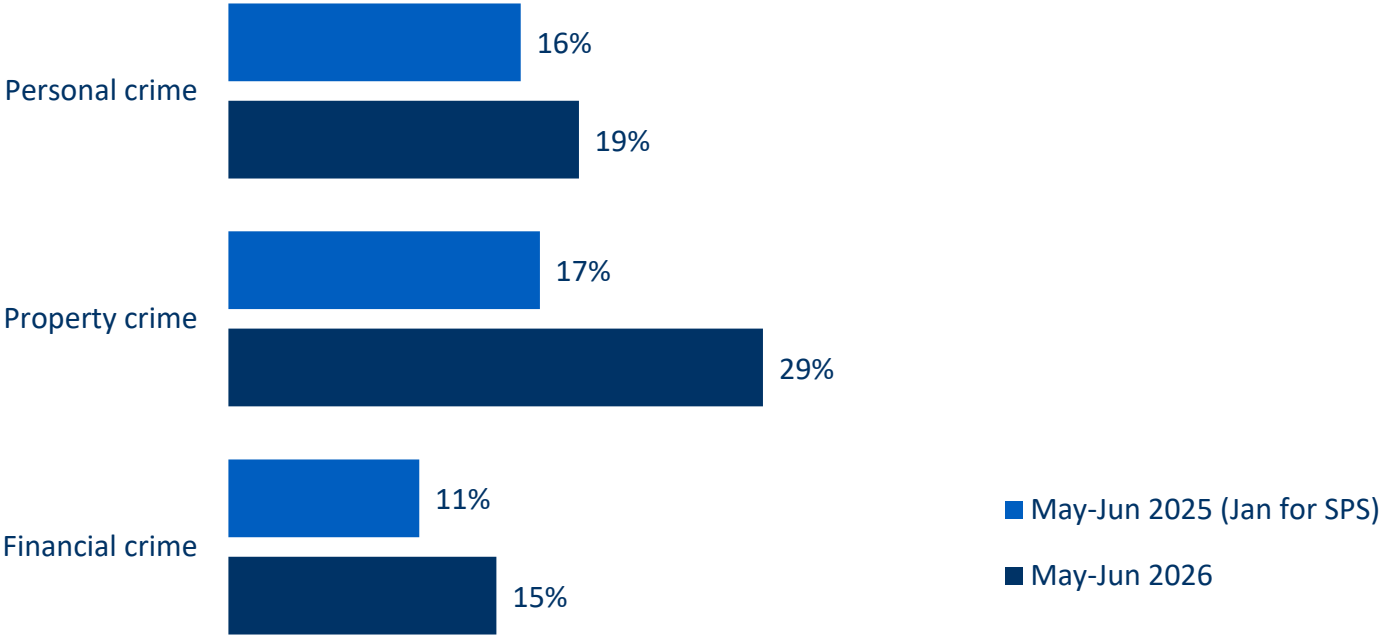
Not all of these instances of crime are reported to the police, as will be quantified in a following chart.

Victim of any of 3 crime types, past 12 months (you or someone in household)



In 2026, 29% of citizens in SPS' jurisdiction say they have been a victim of property crime; a significant increase relative to 2025.

Victim of crime, past 12 months (you or someone in household)



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Base Sizes: Personal crime (n=418-542), Property crime (n=416-553), Financial crime (n=415-540)

Of those who have experienced crime; personal crime is reported most often, by three-quarters of victims, while property crime is reported about half the time and financial crime two-fifths of the time it was experienced.

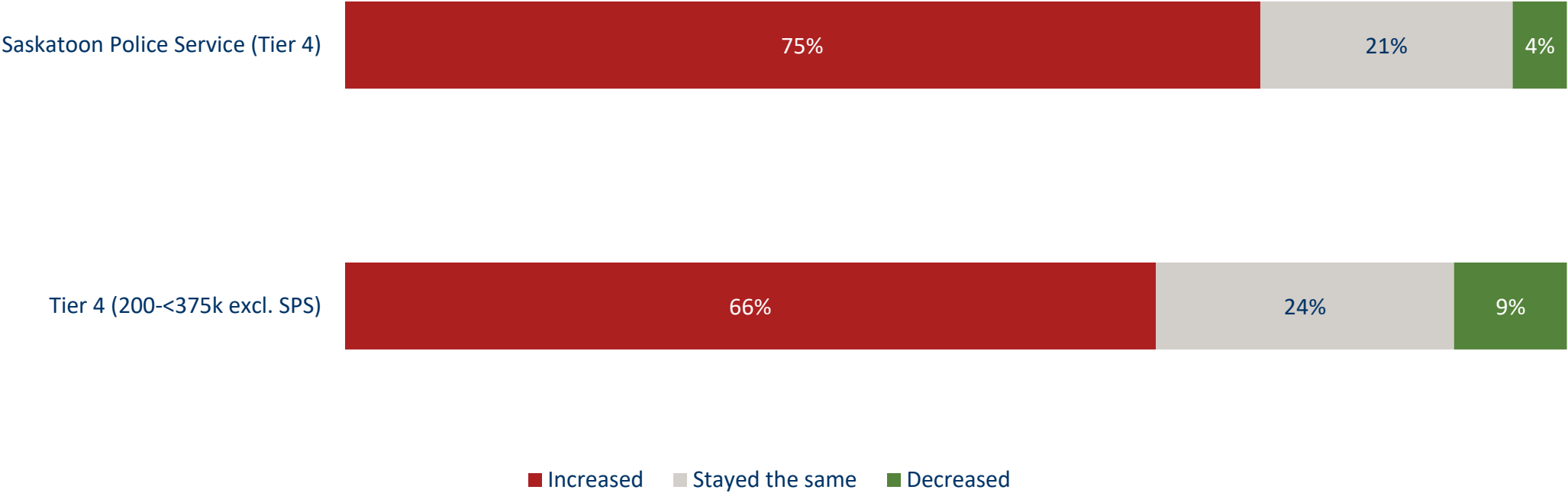
Reported instances of crime to the police		
	May-Jun 2025 (Jan for SPS)	May-Jun 2026
Personal crime	75%	61%
	84	119
Property crime	54%	65%
	185	209
Financial crime	39%	37%
	68	90

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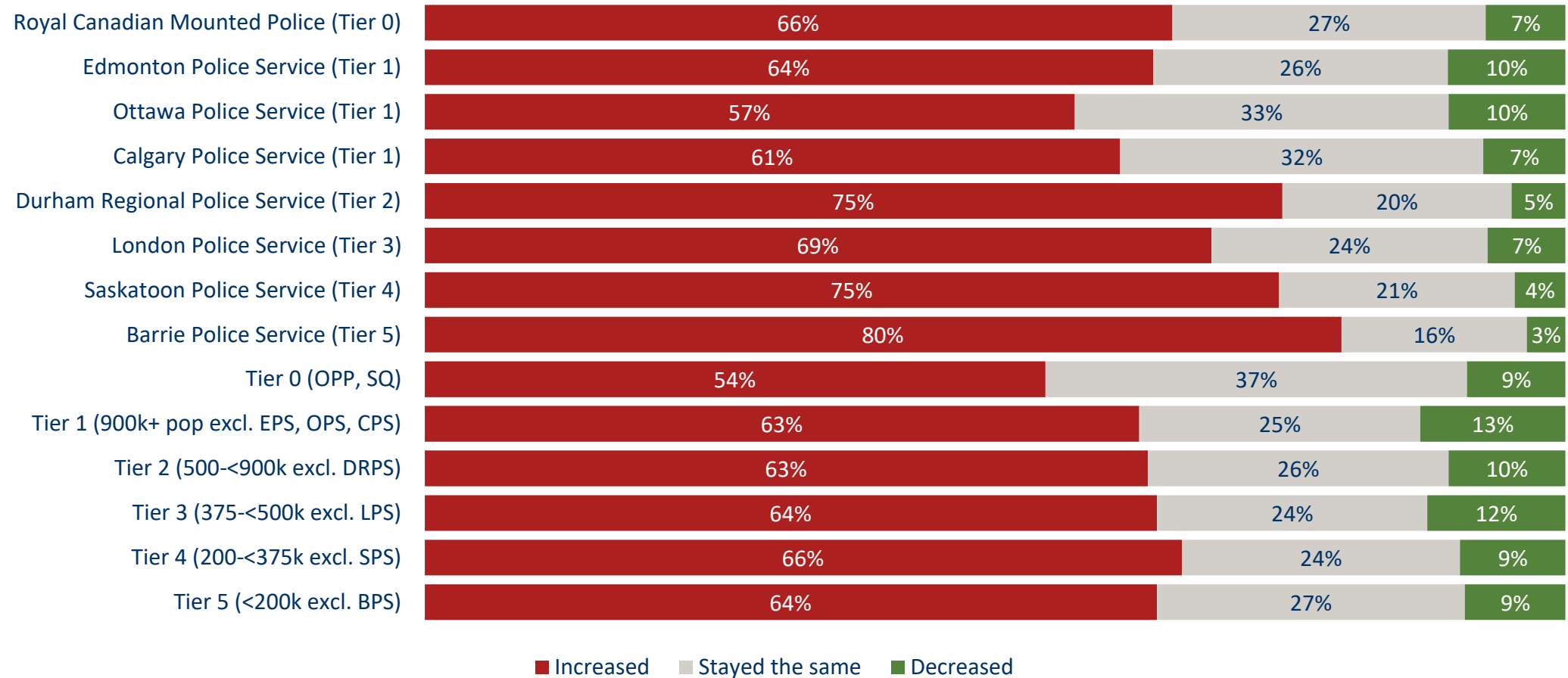
In 2026, citizens in SPS' jurisdiction are more likely to say **crime has increased** than those in similarly-sized jurisdictions (75% in Saskatoon; 66% for other Tier 4 jurisdictions). These results are reversed from 2025.

Change in amount of crime in your community in past 5 years



All police services:

Change in amount of crime in your community in past 5 years



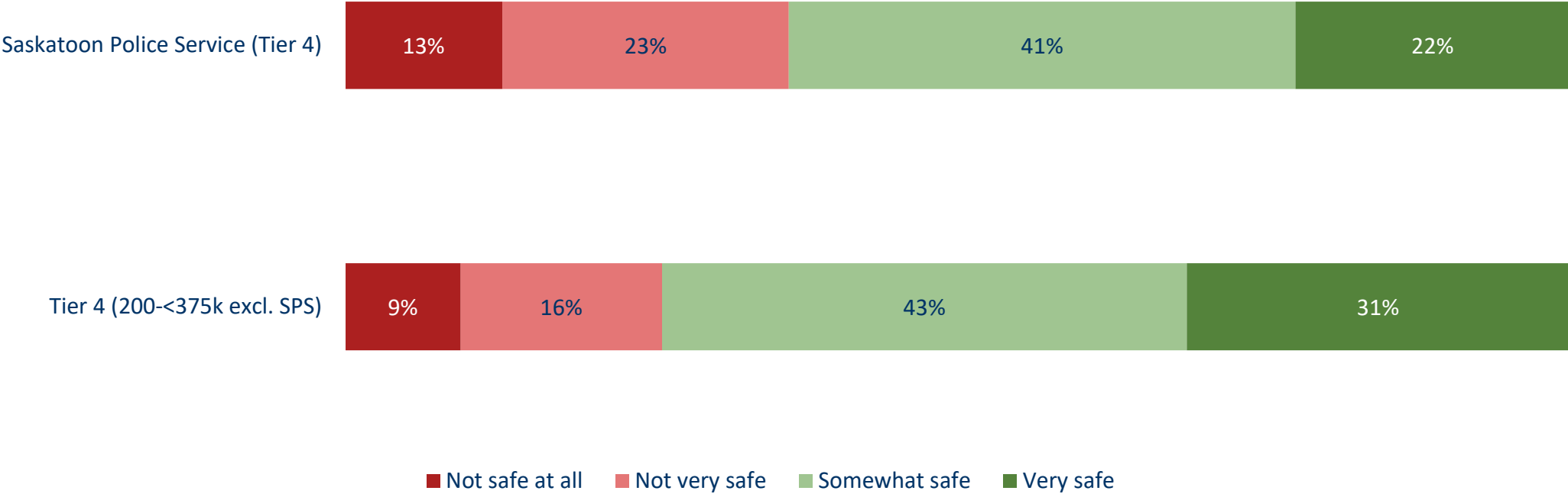
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In 2026, citizens in SPS' jurisdiction are more likely to feel **unsafe walking alone after dark** than those in similarly-sized jurisdictions (36% in Saskatoon; 26% for other Tier 4 jurisdictions).

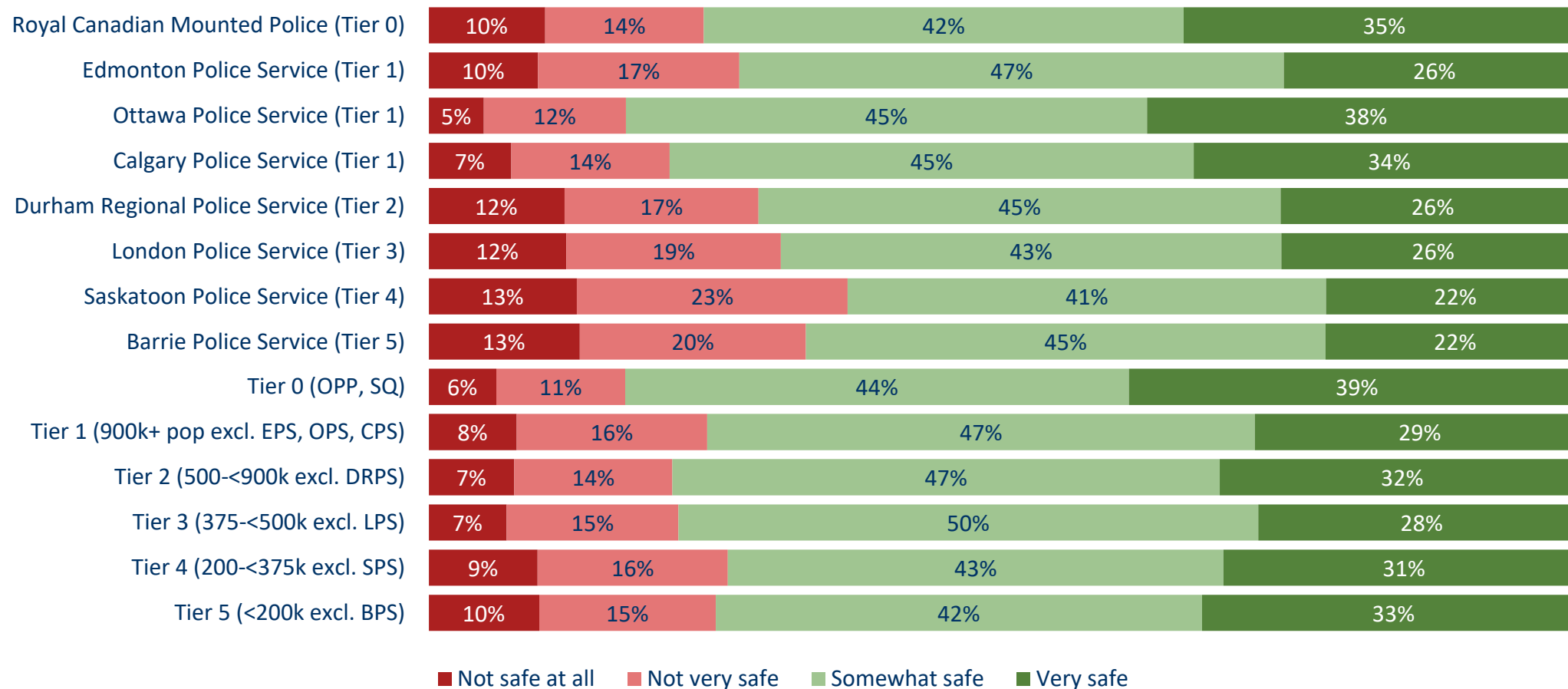
How safe when walking alone in your community after dark



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Base Sizes: Saskatoon Police Service (Tier 4) (n=553), Tier 4 (200-<375k excl. SPS) (n=790)

All police services:

How safe when walking alone in your community after dark



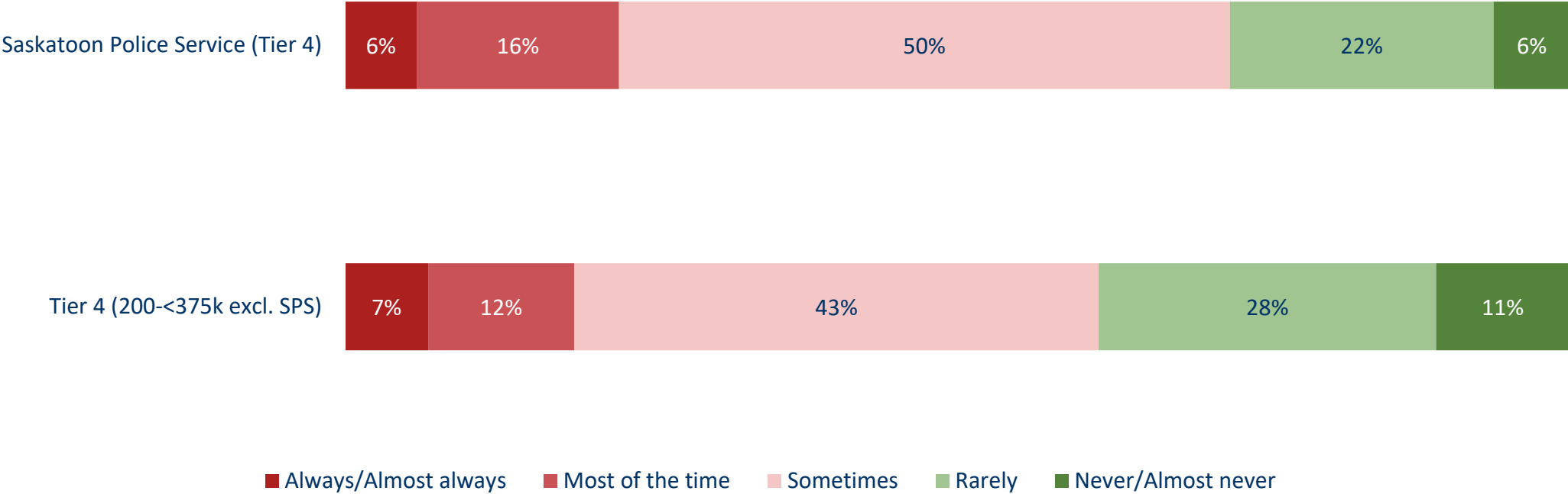
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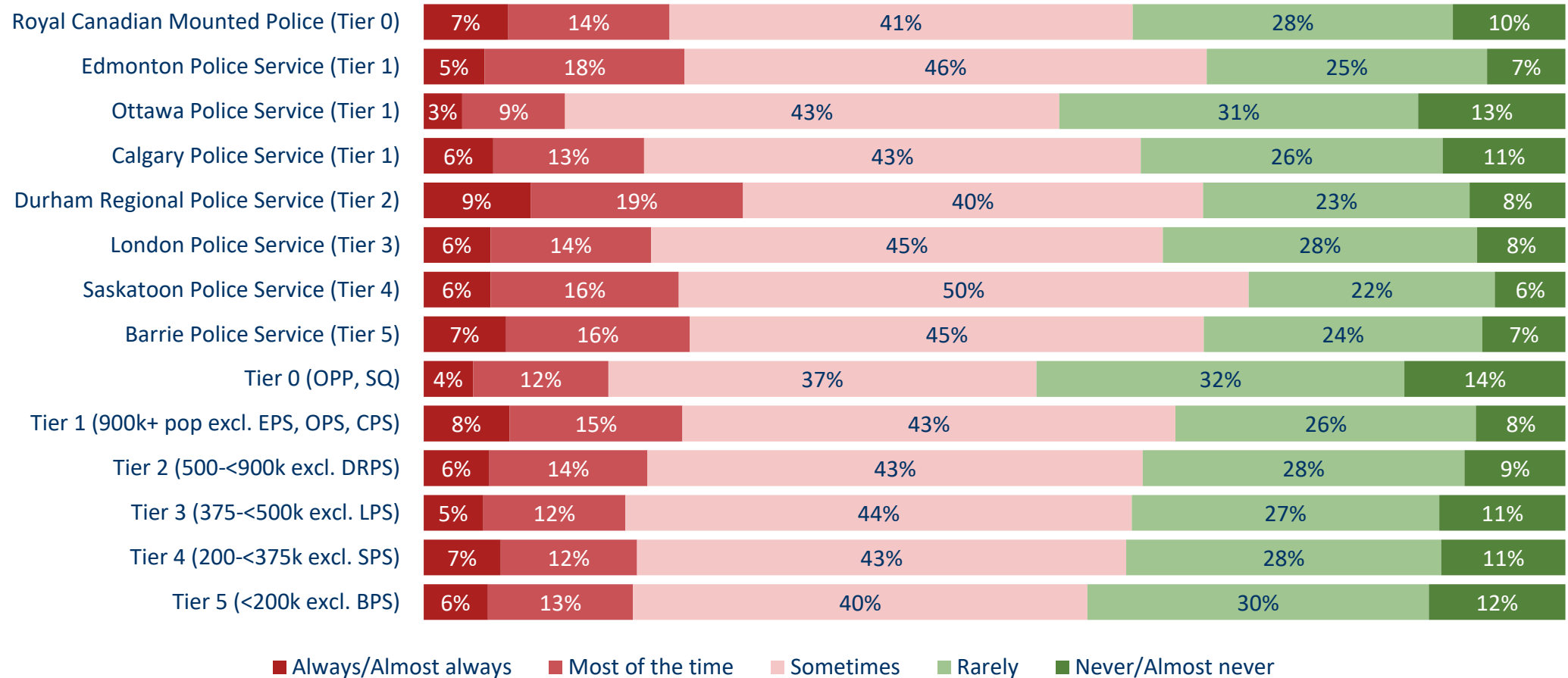
In 2026, citizens in SPS' jurisdiction are more likely to **worry about crime** *at least sometimes* than those in similarly-sized jurisdictions (72% in Saskatoon; 62% for other Tier 4 jurisdictions).

How often worry about crime



All police services:

How often worry about crime



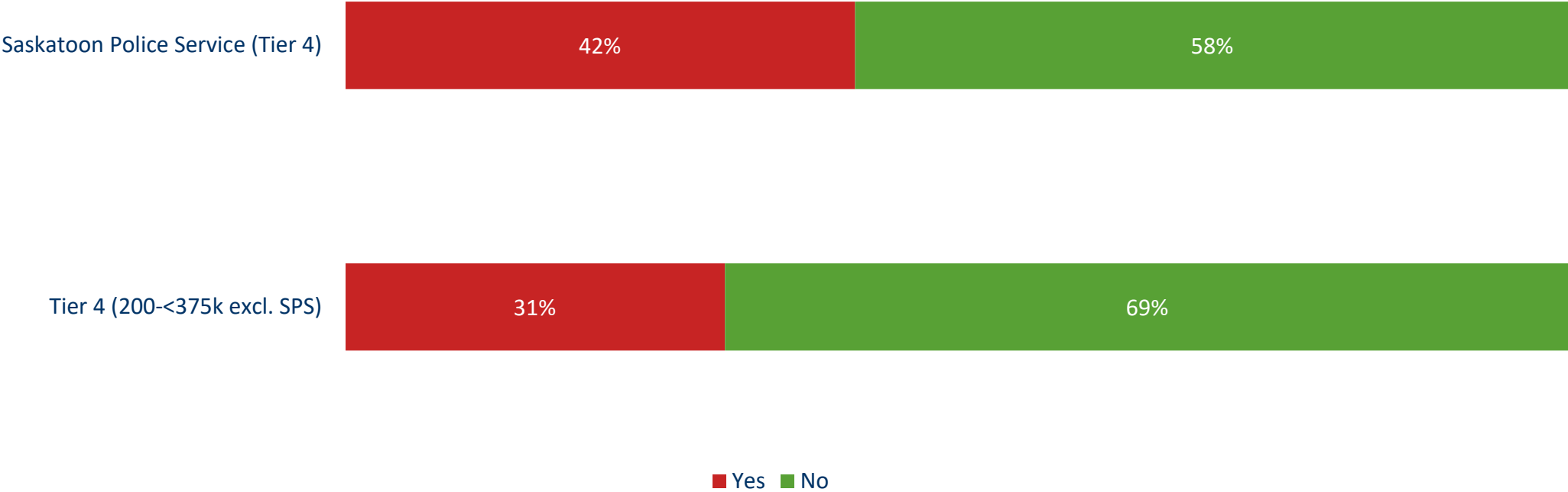
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In 2026, the **reported rate of victimization to any of the three crime types** in SPS' jurisdiction is higher than those in similarly-sized jurisdictions (Tier 4).

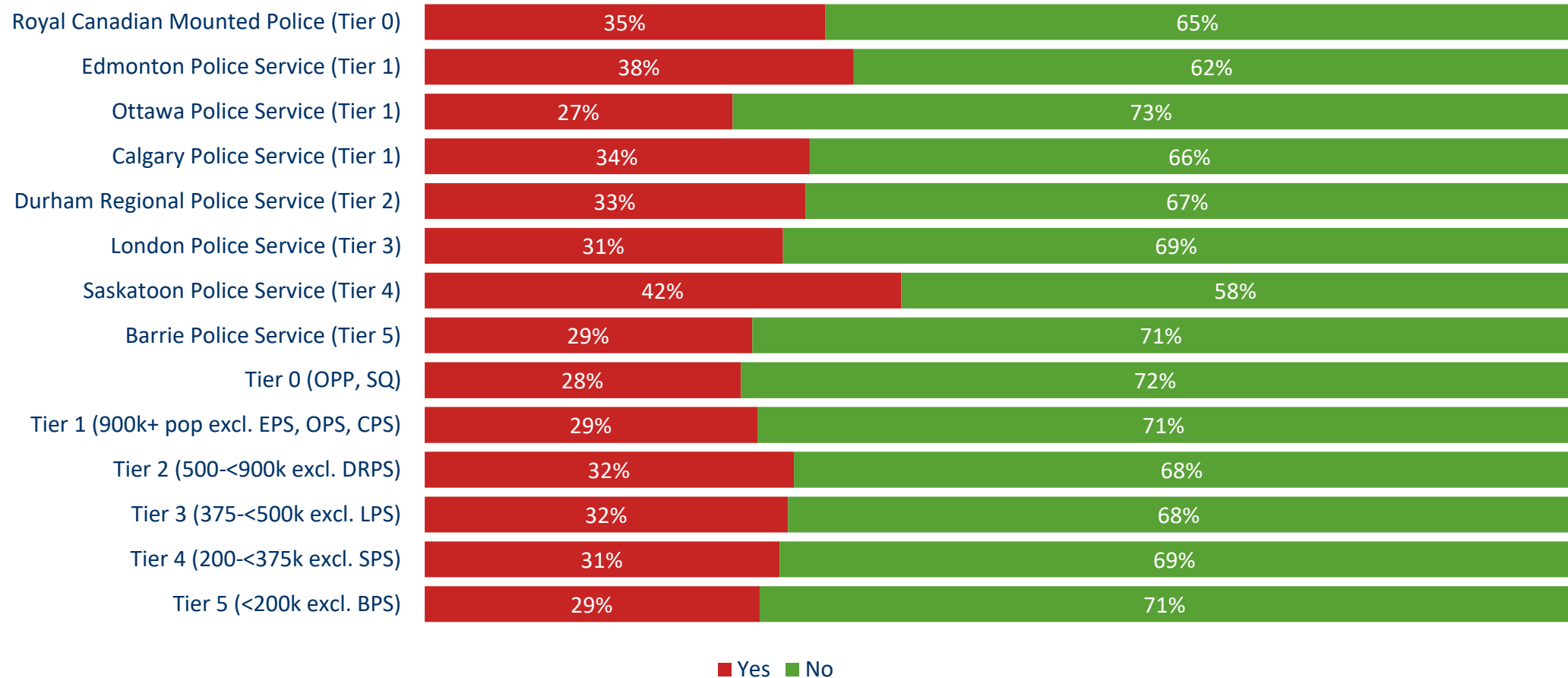
Victim of any of 3 crime types, past 12 months (you or someone in household)



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Base Sizes: Saskatoon Police Service (Tier 4) (n=561), Tier 4 (200-<375k excl. SPS) (n=811)

All police services:

Victim of any of 3 crime types, past 12 months (you or someone in household)



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In 2026, citizens in SPS' jurisdiction report statistically higher **personal** (19% vs. 14%) and **property crime victimization** (29% vs. 20%) compared to other Tier 4 jurisdictions, whereas **financial crime victimization** is on par with other Tier 4 jurisdictions.

Victim of crime, past 12 months (you or someone in household)		
	Saskatoon Police Service (Tier 4)	Tier 4 (200-<375k excl. SPS)
	A	B
Financial crime	15%	14%
Personal crime	19% B	14%
Property crime	29% B	20%

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All police services:

Victim of crime, past 12 months (you or someone in household)														
	RCMP (Tier 0)	Edmonton PS (Tier 1)	Ottawa PS (Tier 1)	Calgary PS (Tier 1)	Durham RPS (Tier 2)	London PS (Tier 3)	Saskatoon PS (Tier 4)	Barrie PS (Tier 5)	Tier 0 (OPP, SQ)	Tier 1 (900k+ pop excl. EPS, OPS, CPS)	Tier 2 (500-<900k excl. DRPS)	Tier 3 (375- <500k excl. LPS)	Tier 4 (200- <375k excl. SPS)	Tier 5 (<200k, excl. BPS)
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N
Financial crime	17%	15%	15%	15%	18%	14%	15%	15%	14%	15%	15%	16%	14%	14%
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Personal crime	19%	17%	10%	17%	16%	13%	19%	13%	12%	14%	14%	14%	14%	13%
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Property crime	20%	26%	13%	22%	18%	19%	29%	15%	15%	15%	19%	15%	20%	16%
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In 2026, citizens in SPS' jurisdiction are just as likely to report all three types of crime as others in Tier 4.

Reported instances of crime to the police		Saskatoon Police Service (Tier 4)	Tier 4 (200-<375k excl. SPS)
		A	B
Personal crime		61%	71%
		119	117
Property crime		65%	62%
		209	150
Financial crime		37%	44%
		90	105

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	RCMP (Tier 0)	Edmonton PS (Tier 1)	Ottawa PS (Tier 1)	Calgary PS (Tier 1)	Durham RPS (Tier 2)	London PS (Tier 3)	Saskatoon PS (Tier 4)	Barrie PS (Tier 5)	Tier 0 (OPP, SQ)	Tier 1 (900k+ pop excl. EPS, OPS, CPS)	Tier 2 (500-<900k excl. DRPS)	Tier 3 (375- <500k excl. LPS)	Tier 4 (200- <375k excl. SPS)	Tier 5 (<200k, excl. BPS)
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N
Personal crime	74%	68%	69%	67%	74%	62%	61%	69%	71%	71%	66%	83%	71%	74%
	801	377	245	294	178	178	119	103	374	686	571	129	117	601
	F G K											B C D F G I J K		F G K
Property crime	66%	60%	58%	62%	63%	54%	65%	61%	64%	68%	60%	61%	62%	65%
	1019	650	422	428	235	314	209	166	472	994	883	188	150	827
	B C F K			F			F		F	B C F K				F
Financial crime	48%	49%	43%	50%	53%	42%	37%	46%	50%	44%	42%	46%	44%	51%
	685	315	341	267	198	149	90	93	412	720	593	128	105	554
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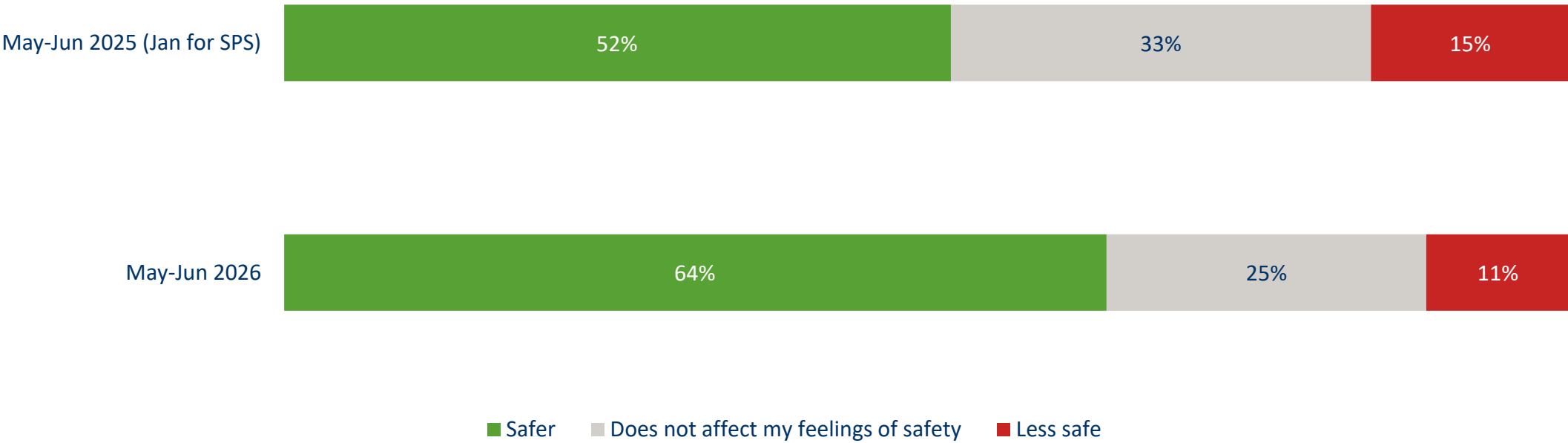
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3. SPS-Only Custom Questions

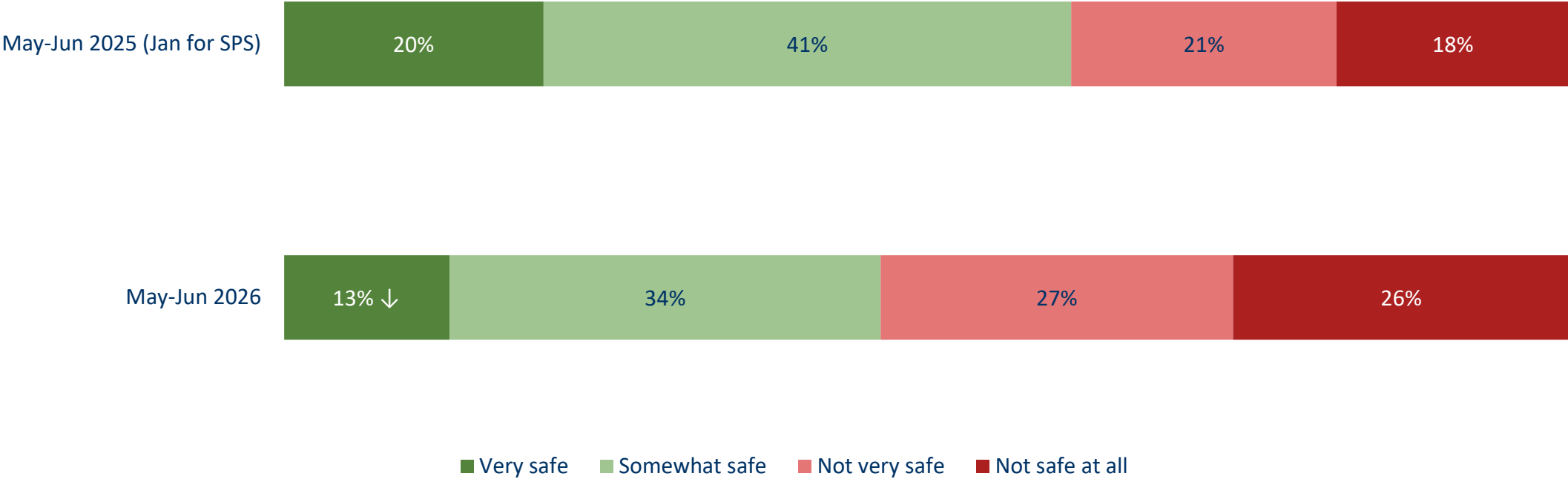
About two-thirds (64%) of citizens in SPS' jurisdiction say that the presence of officers in their neighbourhood makes them feel safer; a higher proportion than last year (52%). Similar to 2025, about one-in-ten (11%) indicate that office presence makes them feel less safe.

How does the presence of law enforcement officers in your neighbourhood make you feel?



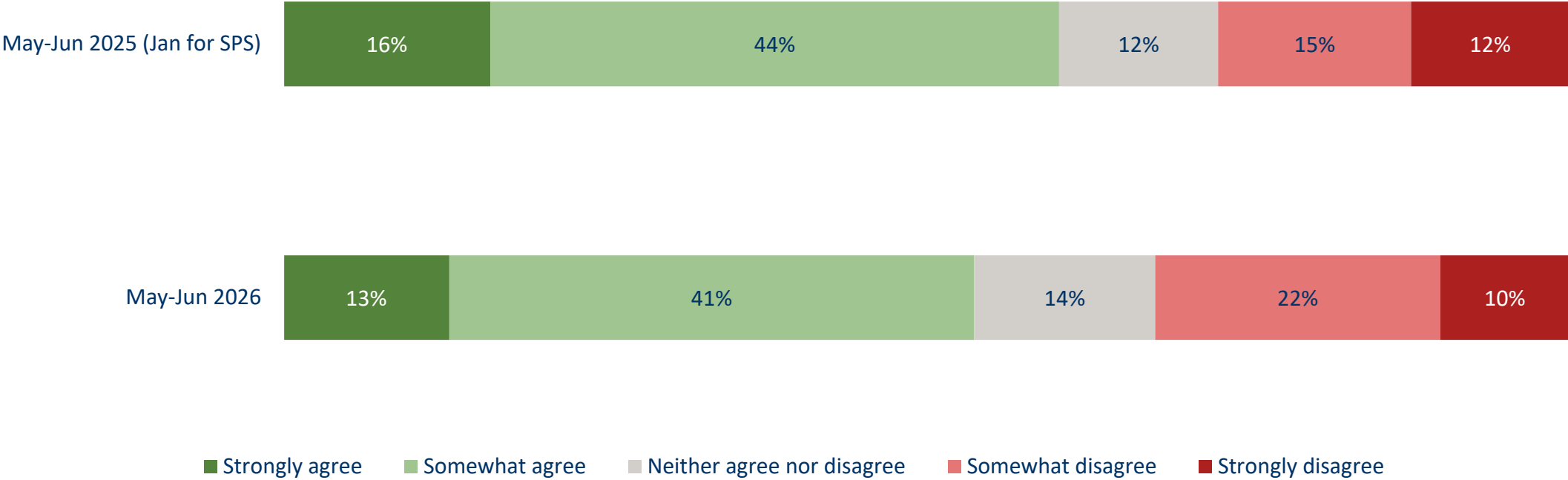
In 2026, just under half (46%) of citizens indicate that they would **feel safe taking transit**, a significant decrease from 2025 (61%).

How safe do/would you feel taking public transit, such as a bus?



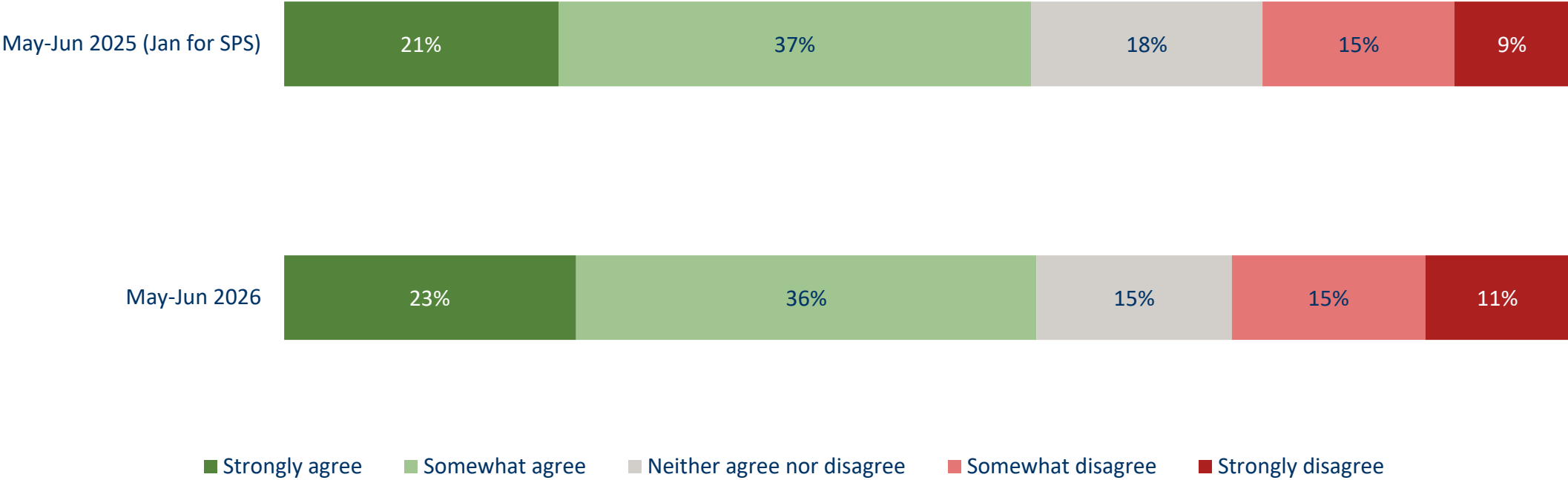
About 54% of citizens *agree* or *strongly agree* that Saskatoon is a safe city to live, on par with 60% in 2025.

I believe Saskatoon is a safe city to live in.



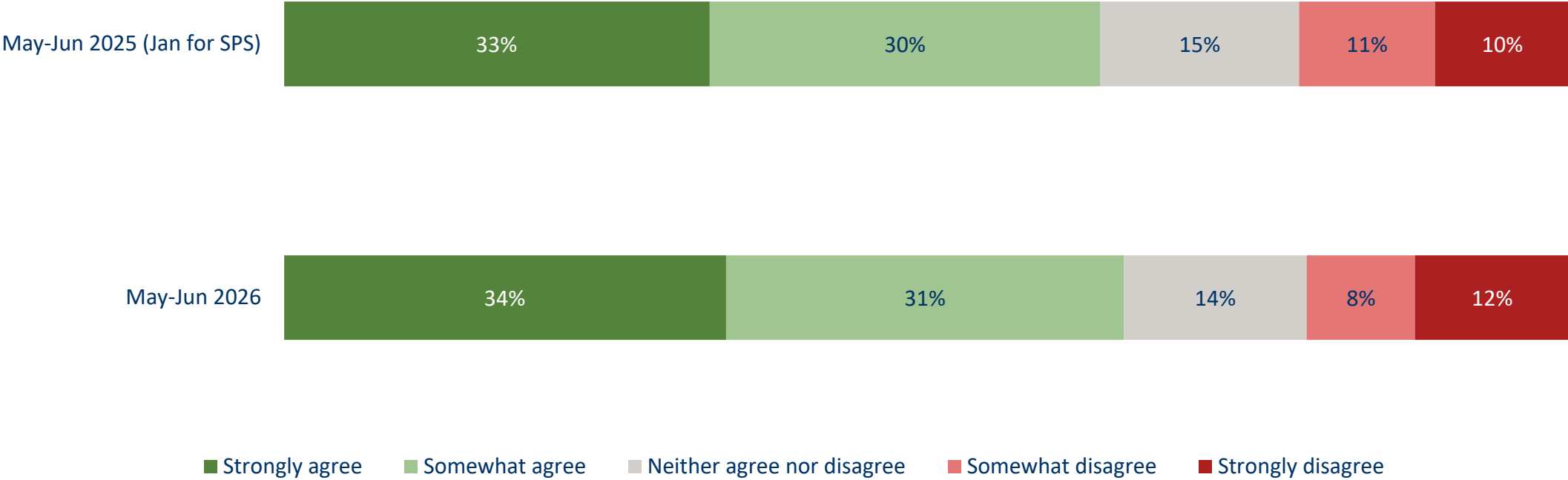
59% agree or strongly agree that they are satisfied with the services provided by SPS, on par with 58% in 2025.

I am satisfied with the services provided by the Saskatoon Police Service.



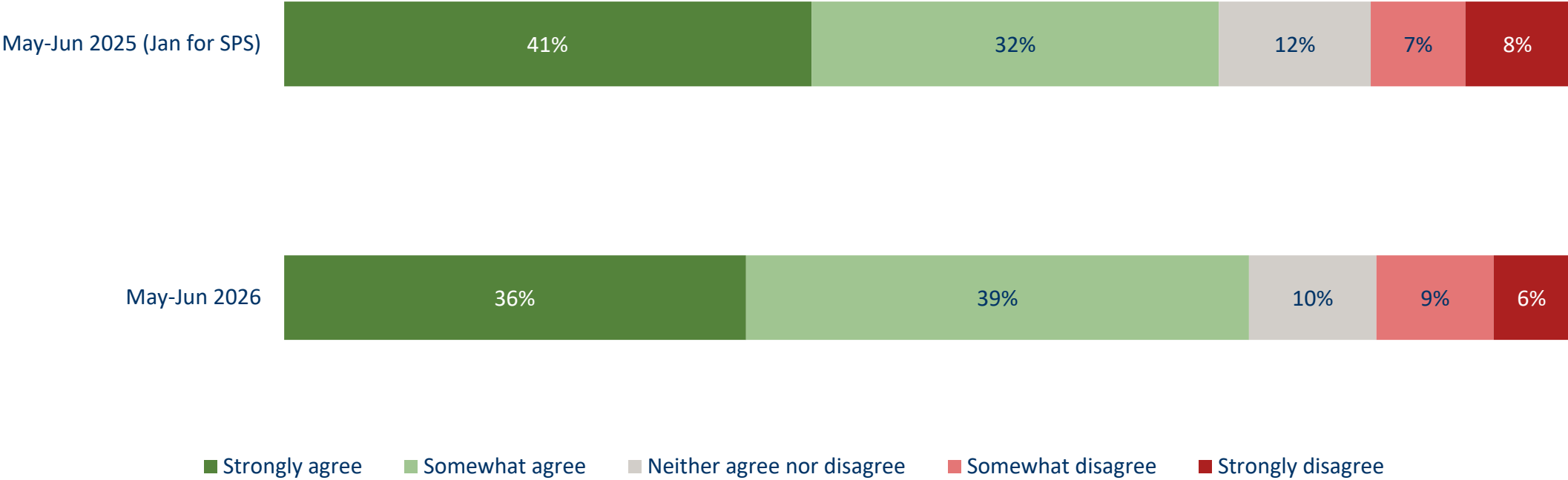
Similar to 2025, 65% *agree* or *strongly agree* that SPS is trustworthy.

Saskatoon Police Service is a trustworthy organization.



Three-quarters (75%) *agree or strongly agree* that SPS' officers **act professionally, on par** with last year (73%).

Saskatoon police officers act professionally when performing their duties.

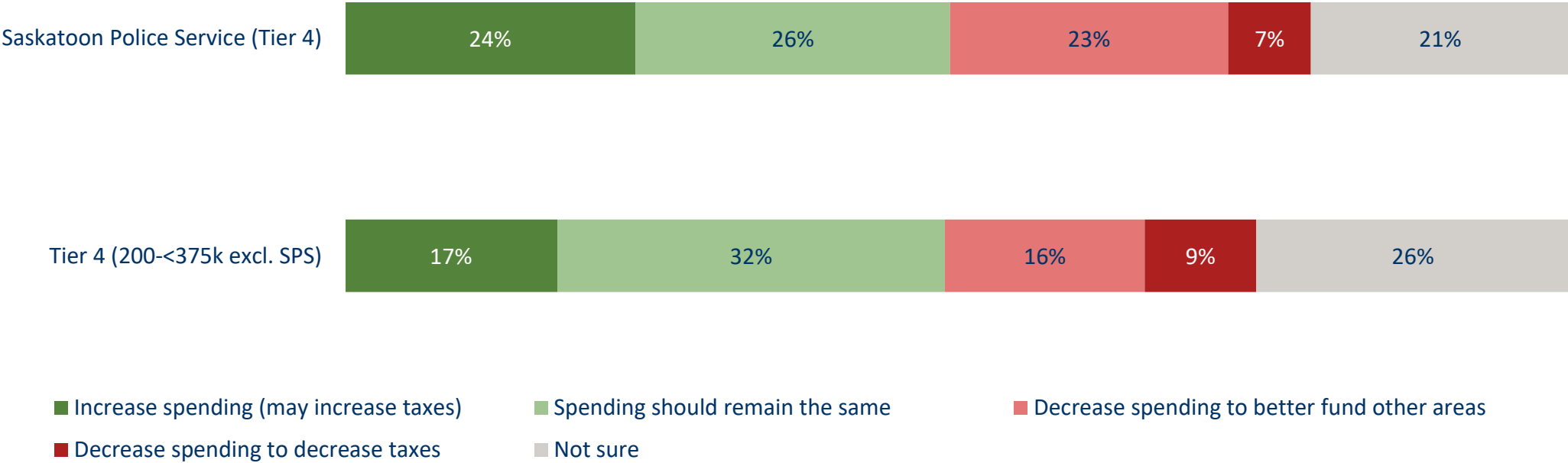


4. Budget question

Compared to other Tier 4 cities, opinions about the police budget are more divided:

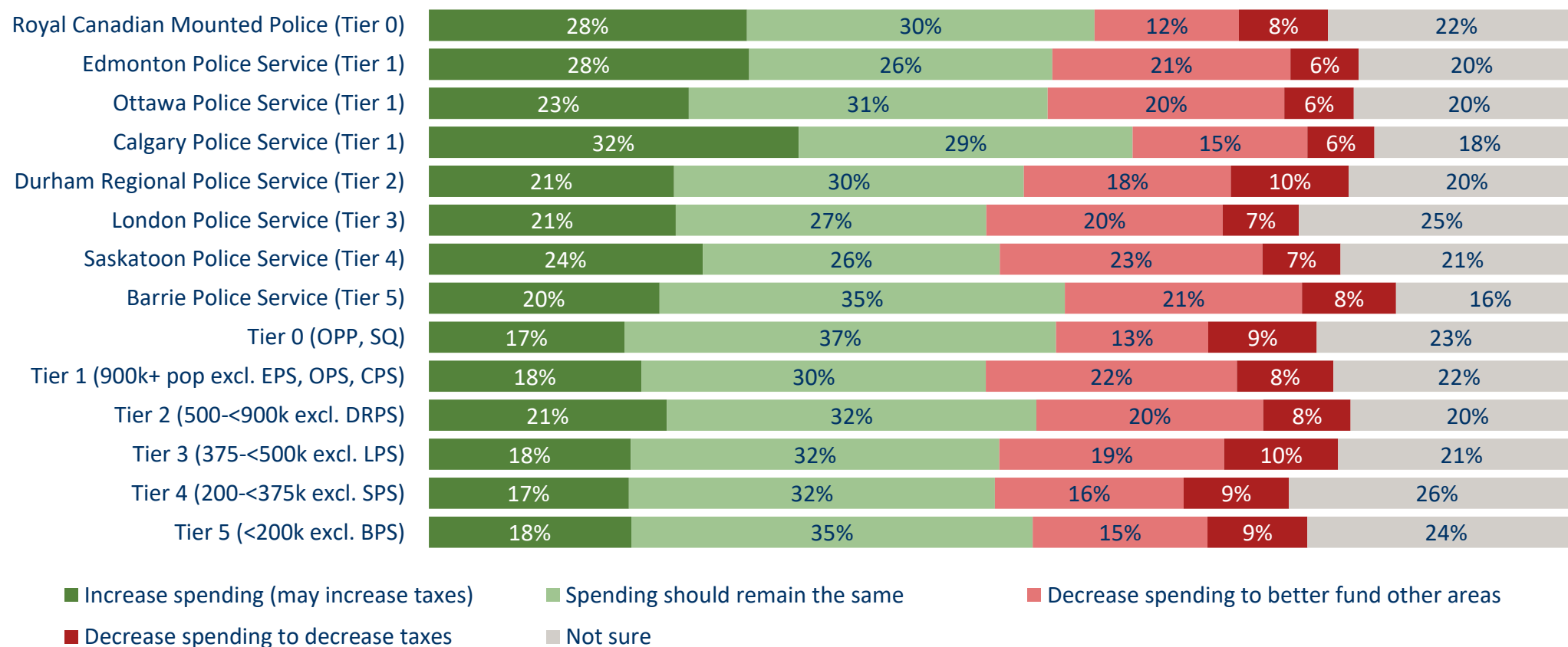
- A smaller proportion of citizens in SPS' jurisdiction (26%, compared to 32% for other Tier 4 cities) think the police budget should stay the same;
- A higher proportion of citizens (24%, compared to 17% for other Tier 4 cities) think the city should increase spending on police services, even if it means increasing taxes; and
- A higher proportion of citizens (23%, compared to 16% for other Tier 4 cities) think the city should decrease spending to better fund other areas.

Thinking about the services provided by the SPS for the amount of tax funding it receives, how would you adjust your municipality's spending for the SPS?



All police services:

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Demographics – SPS and Other Police Services

- For detailed demographic tables, please see the end of this report online here: [Advanis Police Service Benchmarks 2026: SPS Focus](#)
- SPS can also conduct its own analysis, cross-tabulating results against the demographic questions, online here: [Create Analysis](#)

*Police Perception ("PSC") questions designed by Public Safety Canada and Halifax Regional Police per:
<https://www.publicsafety.gc.ca/cnt/rsrscs/pblctns/2019-s003/index-en.aspx>*

Public Safety questions designed by Advanis.

Definitions of types of crime were provided in the survey:

- *Personal crime: results in physical or mental harm to a person, like assault, abuse, kidnapping, sex crimes*
- *Property crime: deprives a person of the use or enjoyment of property, like theft, vandalism*
- *Financial crime: deception or fraud for financial gain, like blackmail, embezzlement, cybercrime*

Random samples of Canadians aged 18+:

- *May-July 2026: 30,016 Canada-wide and 561 for SPS*
 - *Canada-wide results accurate to within +/- 0.6% and SPS +/- 4.1%, both 19 times out of 20*
- *May-June 2025 and January 2025 for SPS: 25,399 Canada-wide and 424 for SPS (+/- 0.6%, +/- 4.8%)*
- *Advanis has run this program since 2020. However, SPS did not subscribe until 2025, so base sizes for 2020-2024 are too low to report.*

In all cases, margins of error are wider among subsets of the populations.

Data was weighted to age, gender, household income, and household property victimization statistics from Statistics Canada. We weighted to victimization data to adjust for the higher likelihood that victims of crime respond to the survey. For SPS, we oversampled Indigenous citizens, so we also weighted to the population proportions for Indigenous/Non-Indigenous. The details are available upon request.

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