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2006 Annual Arab Public Opinion
Survey

A Six Country Study: Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon,
Morocco, Saudi Arabia (KSA) and UAE

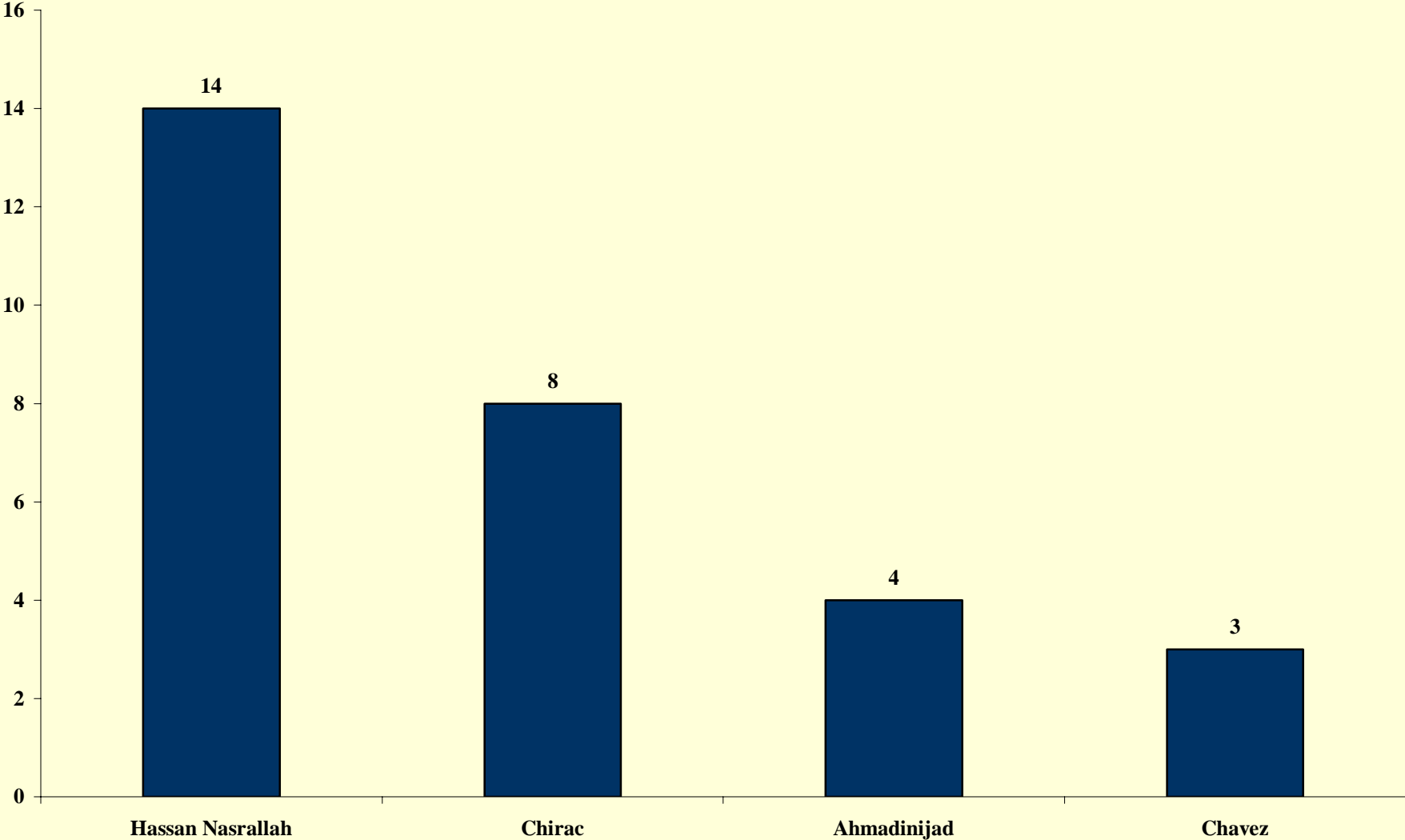
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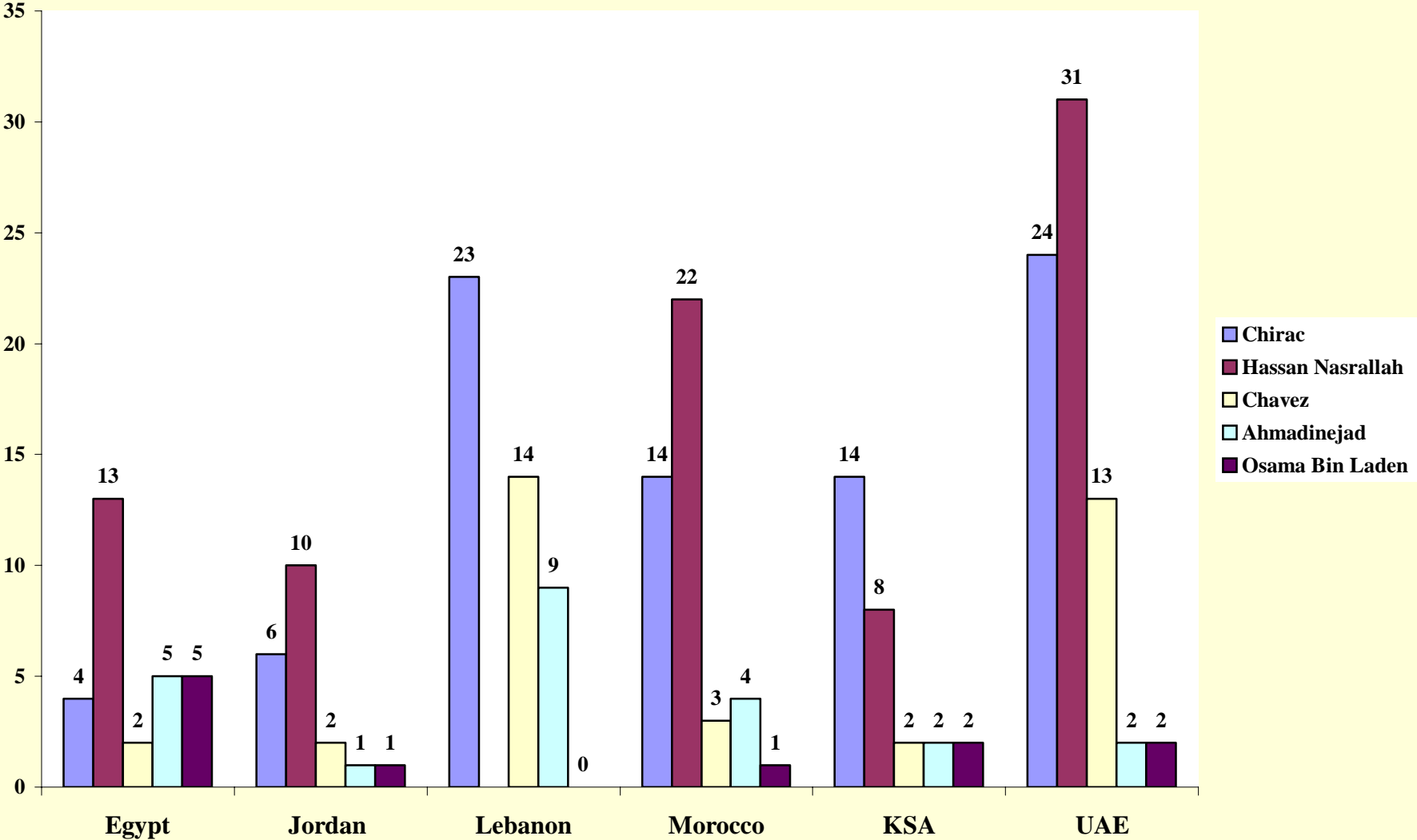
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Global Perspectives

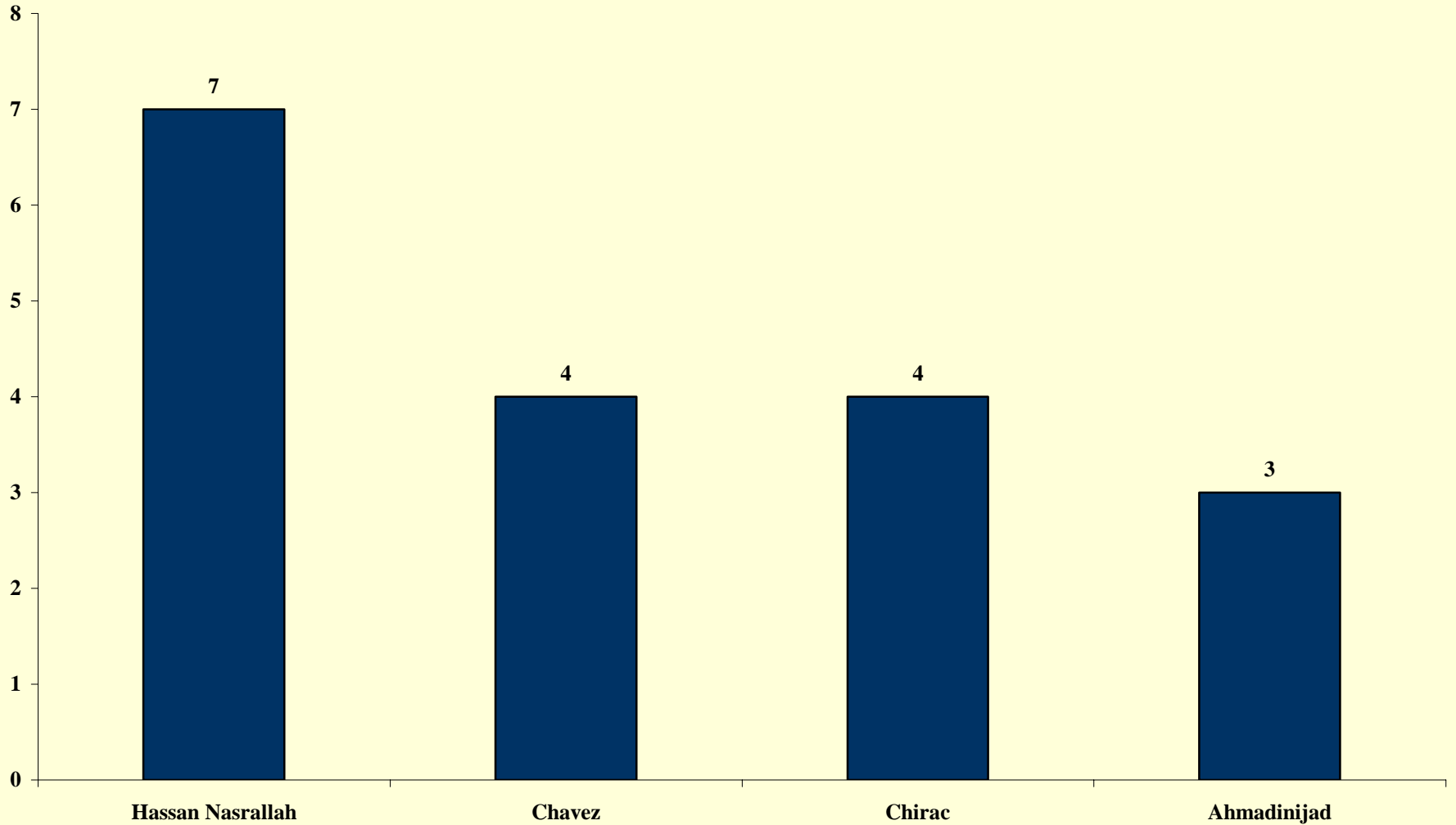
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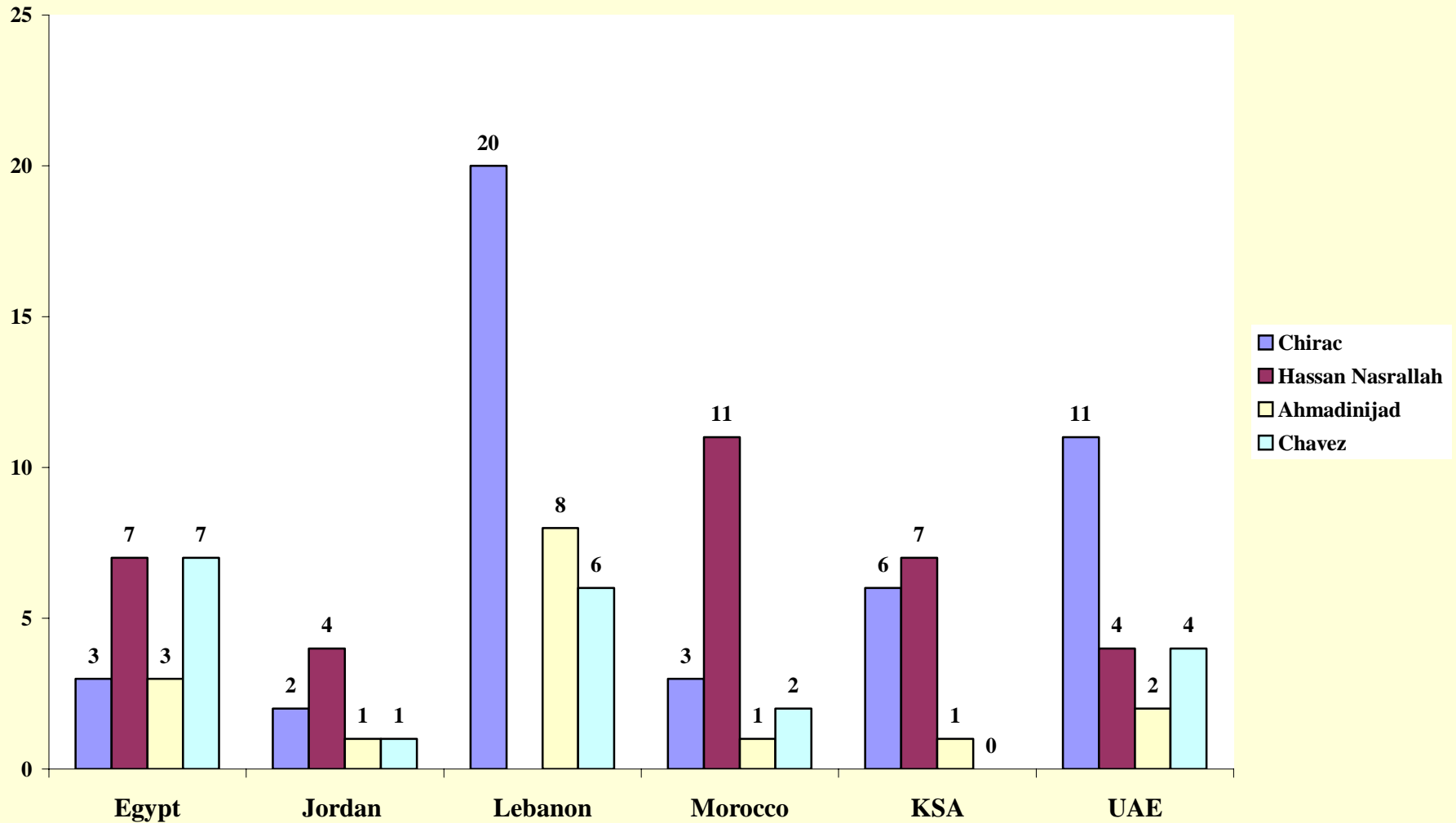
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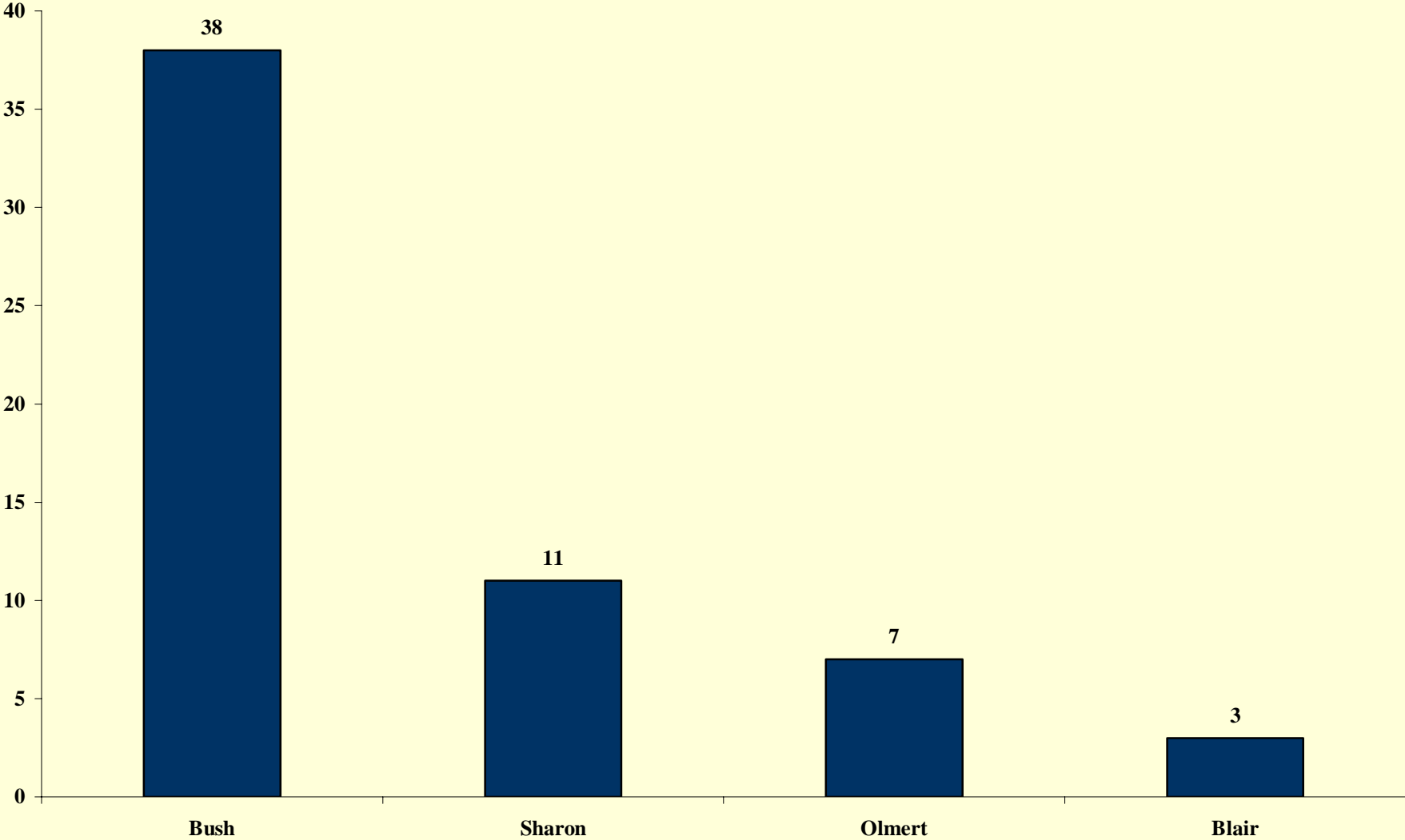
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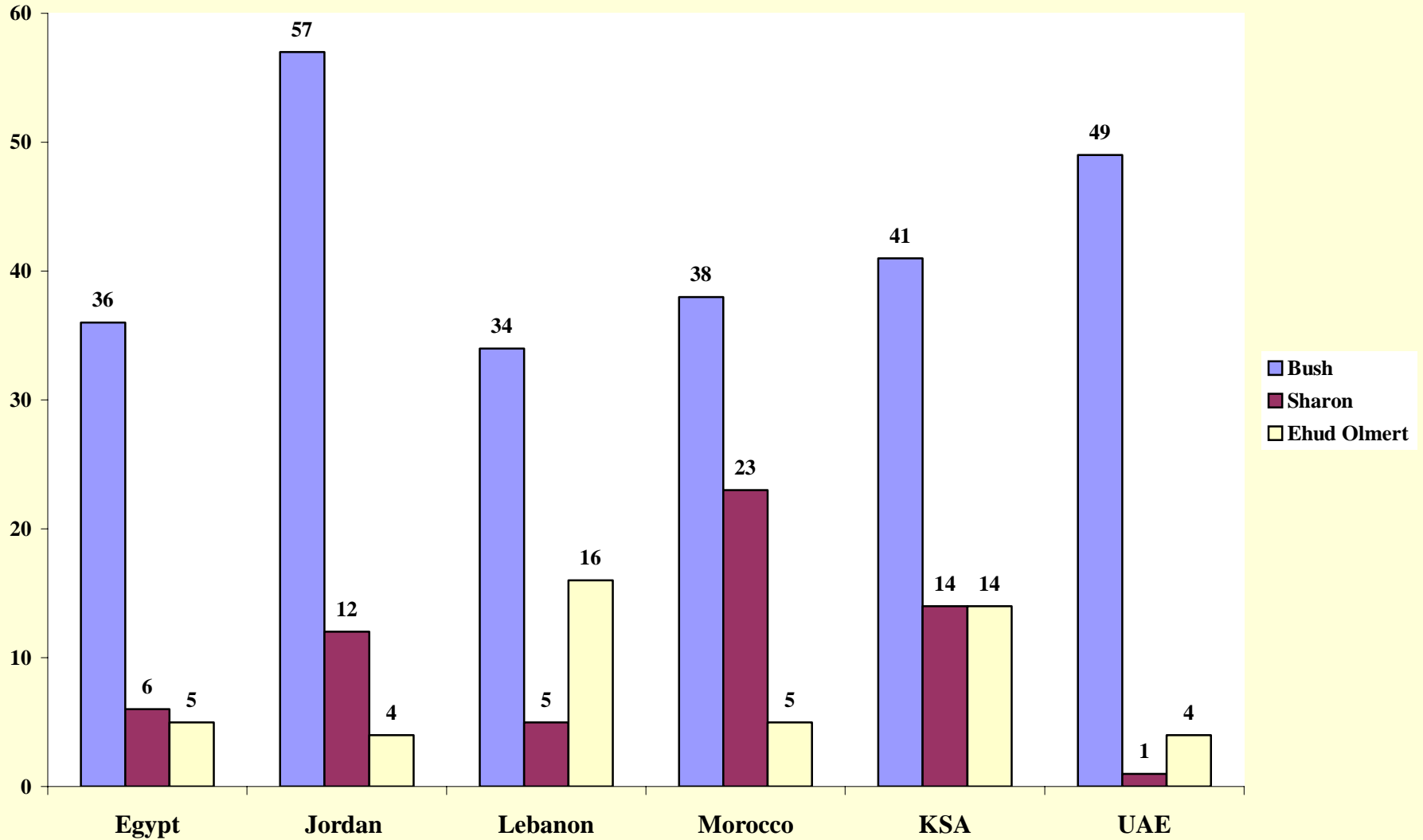
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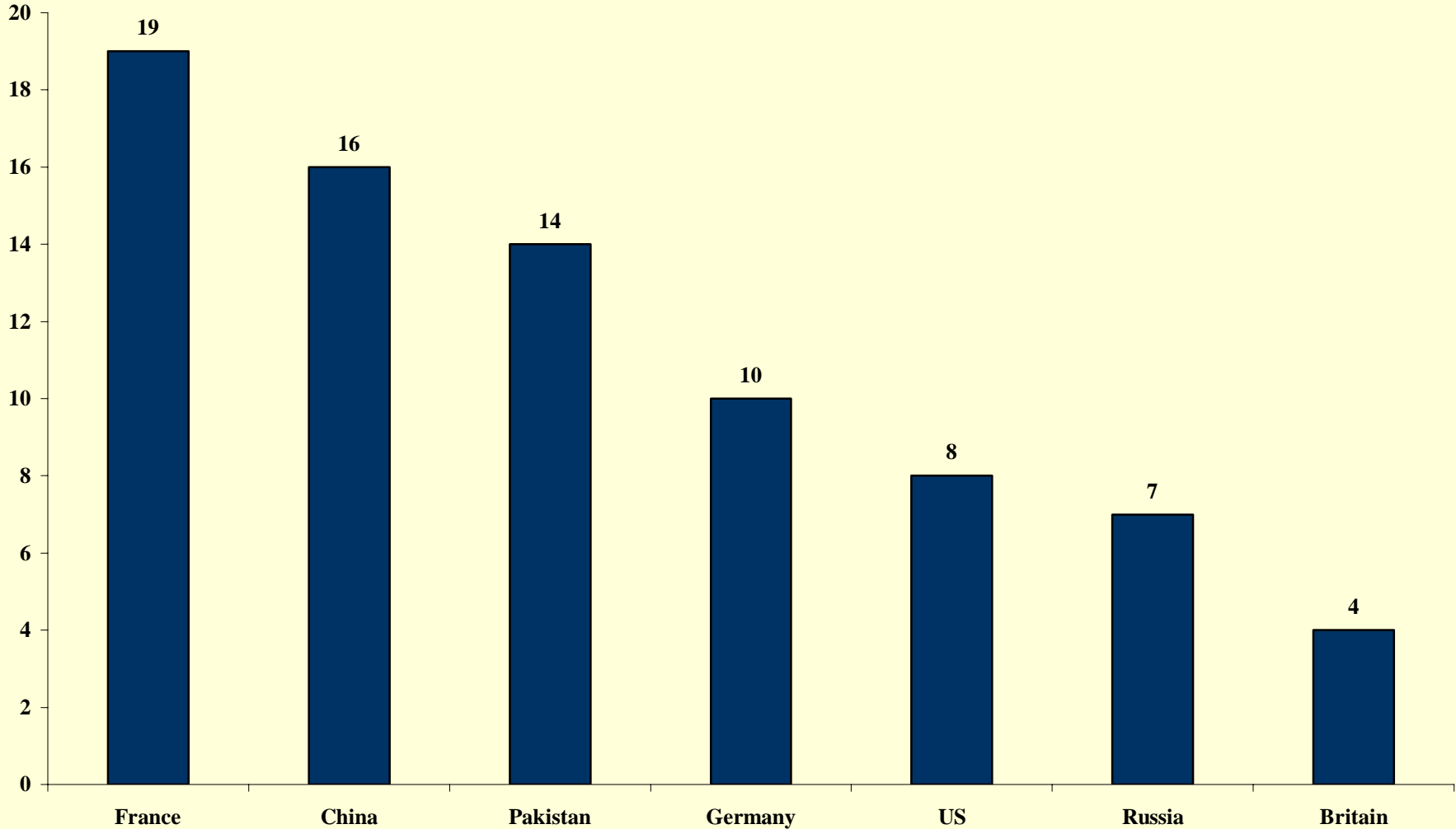
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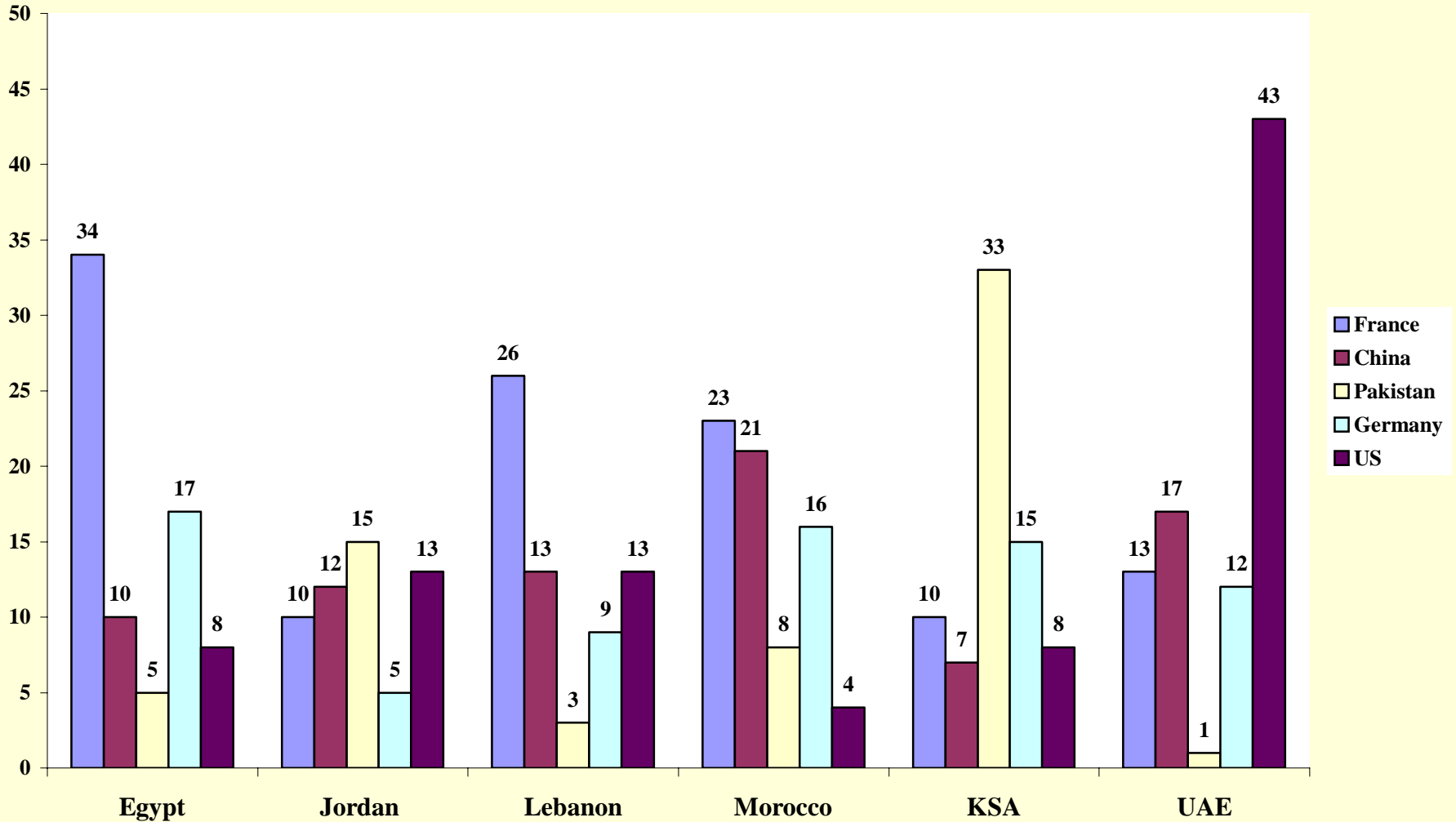
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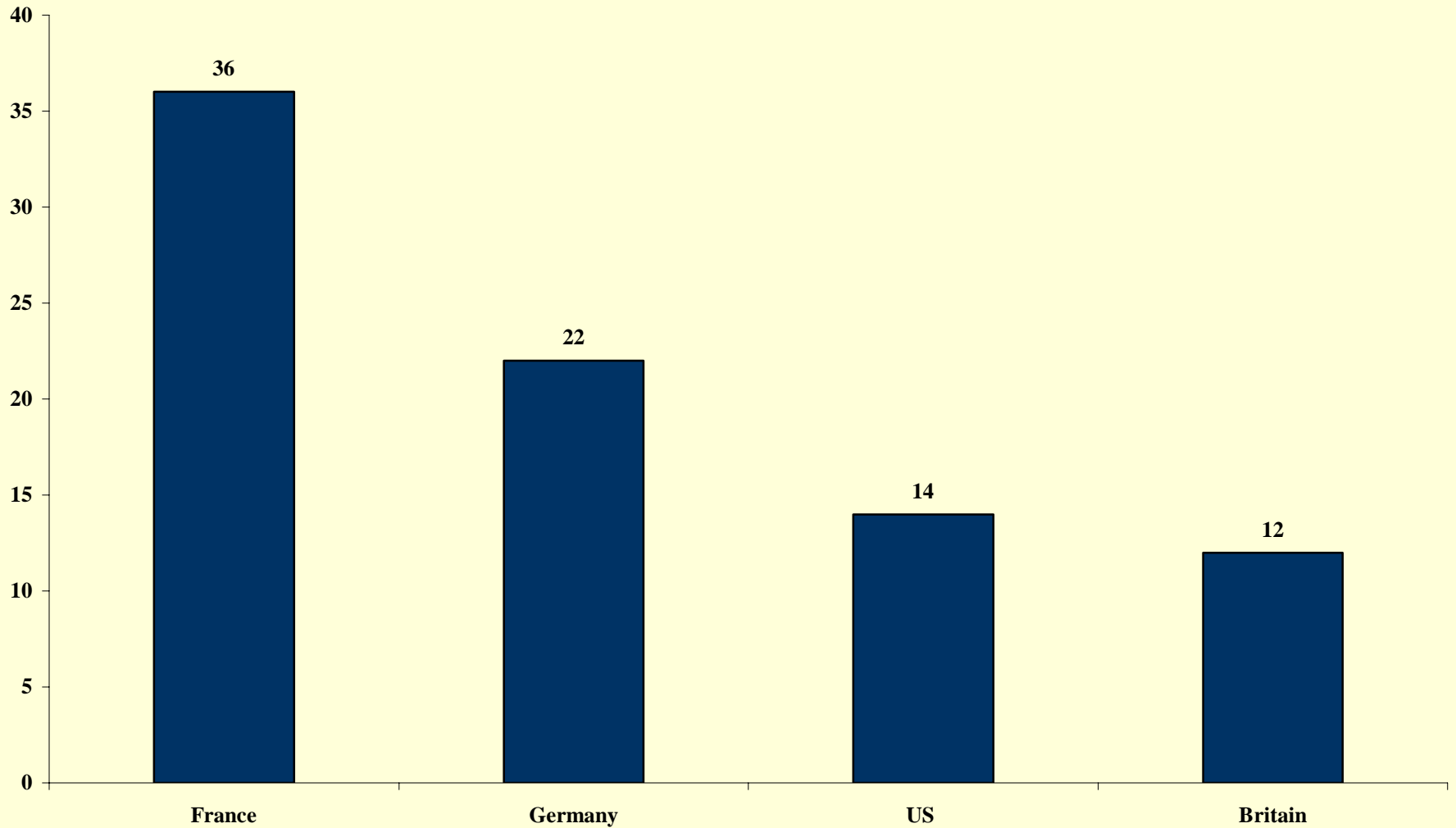
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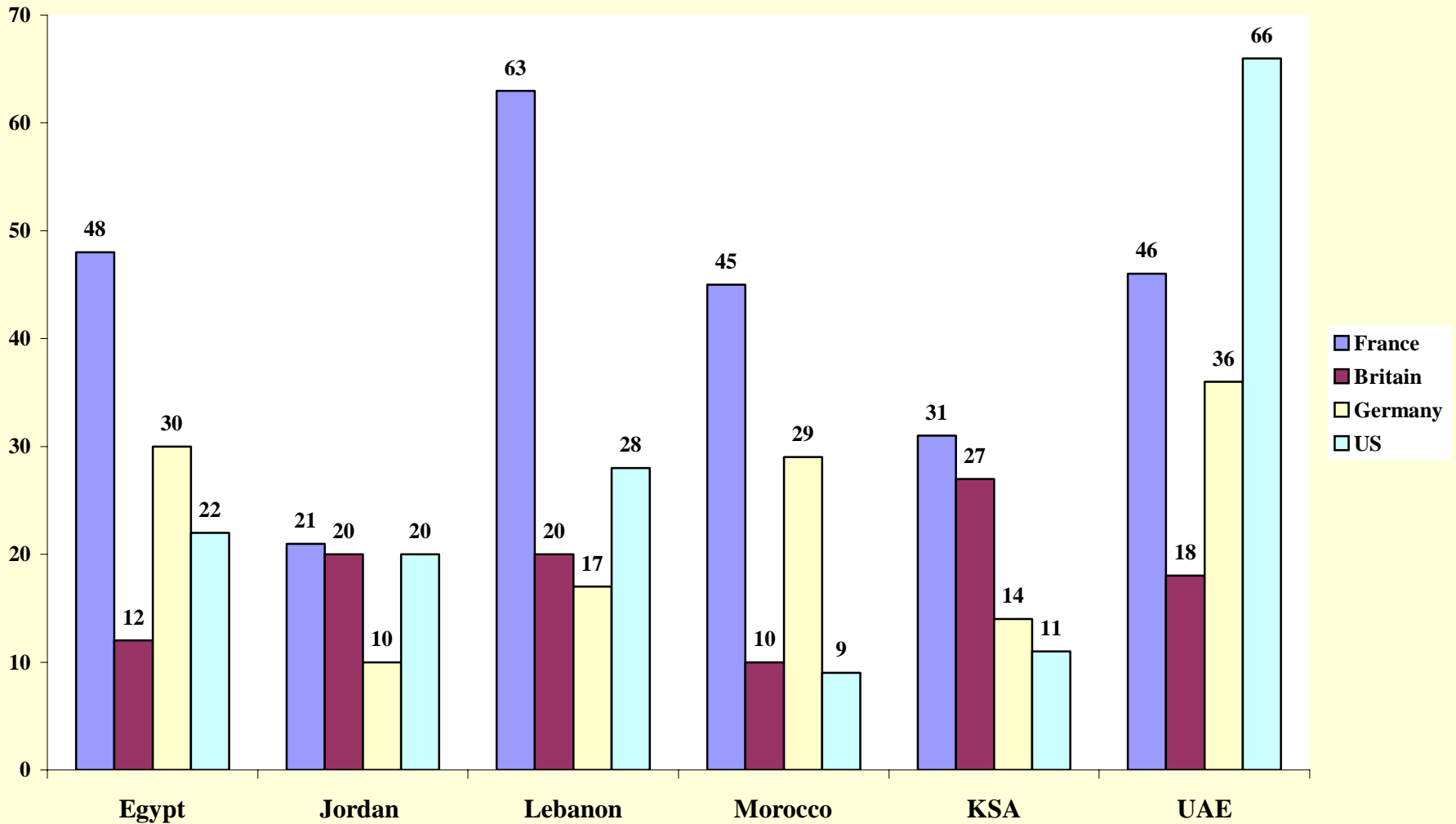
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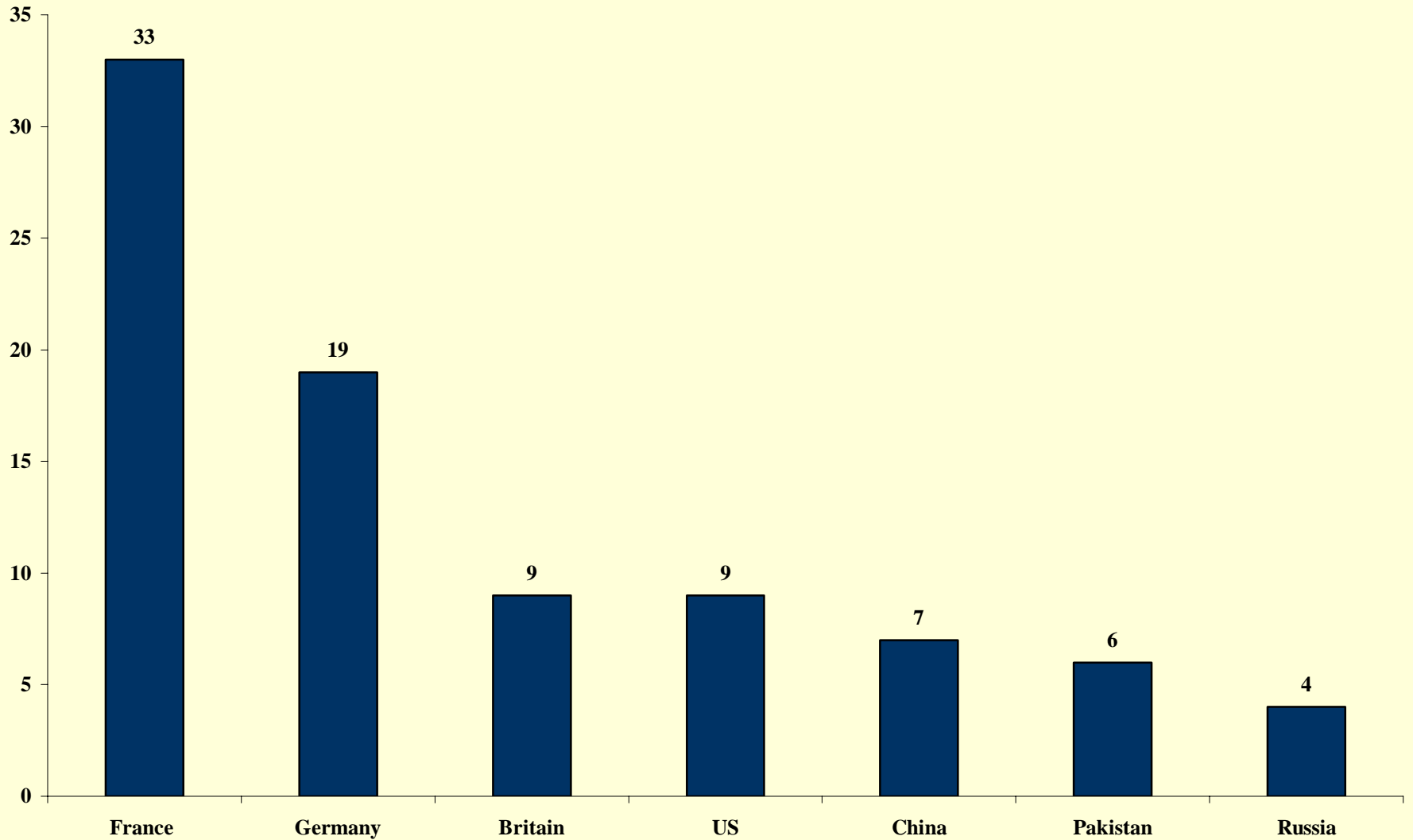
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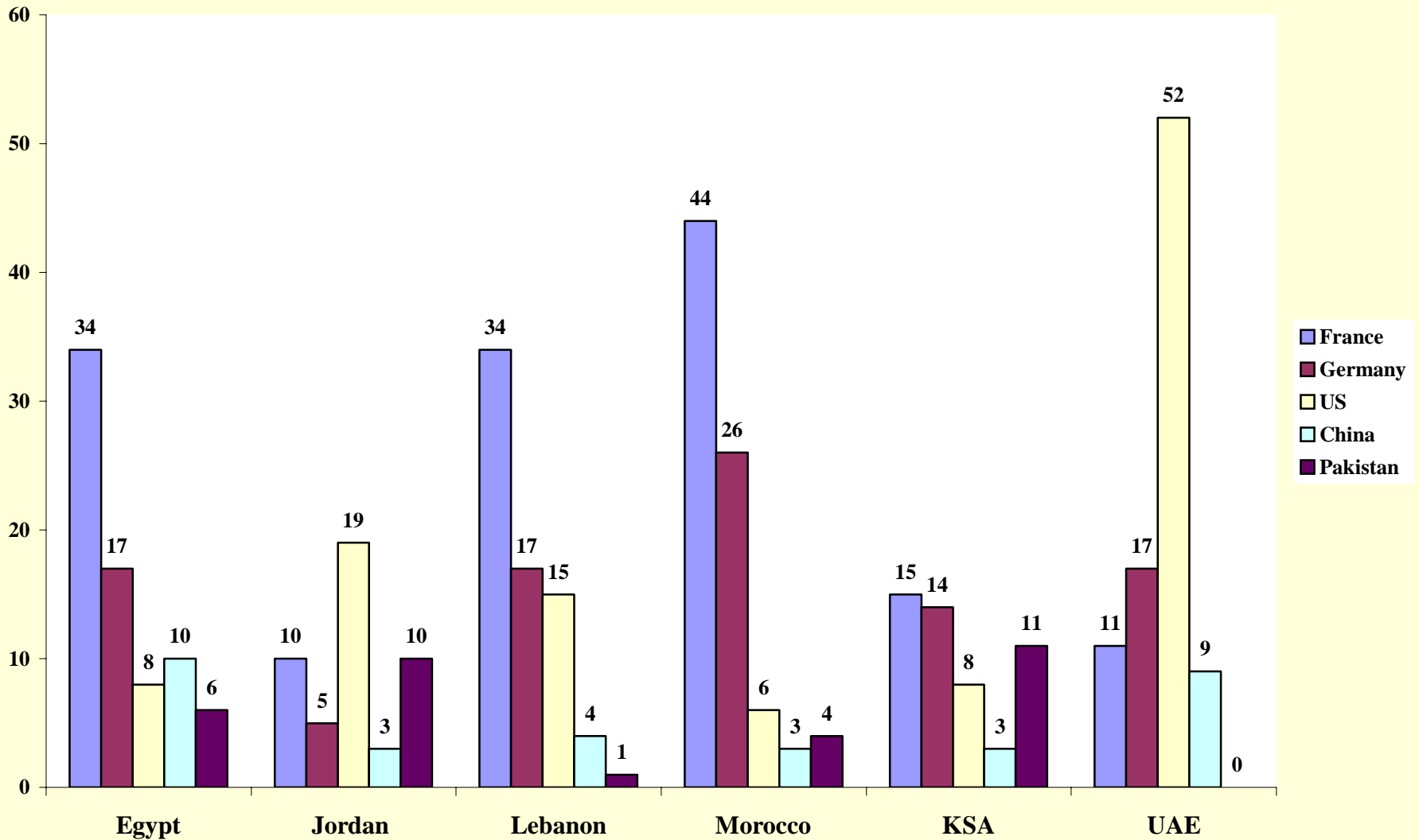
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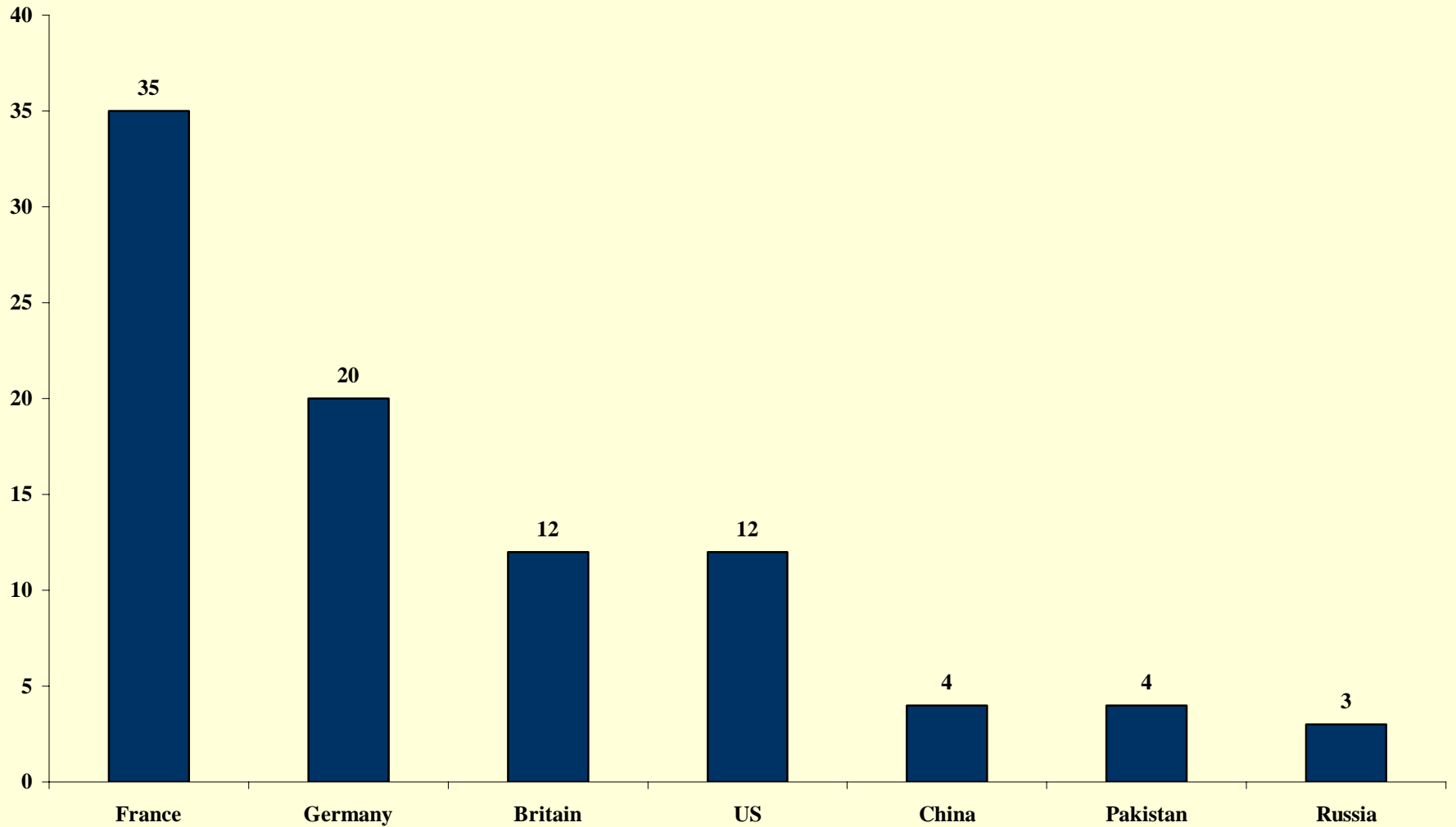
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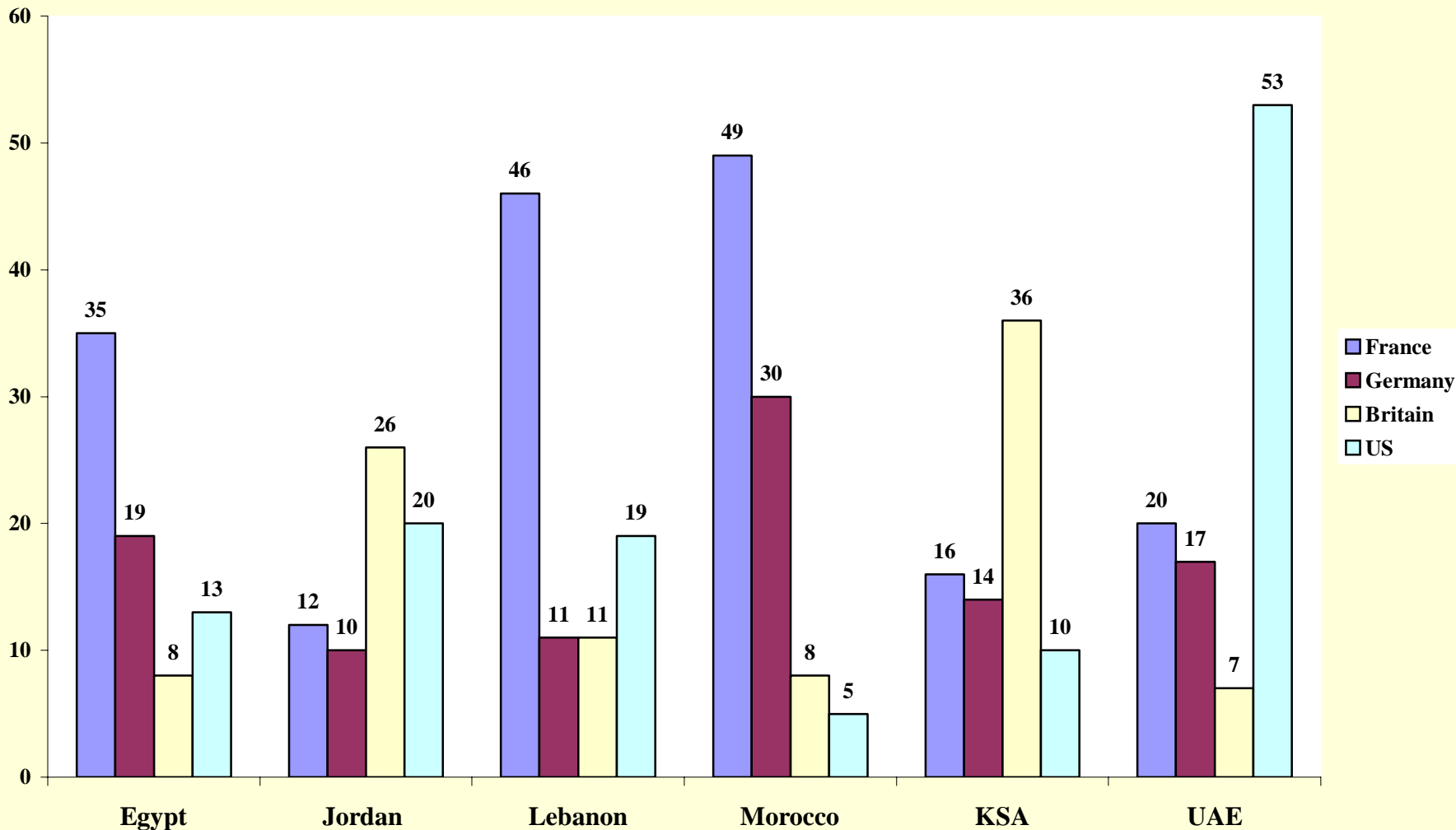
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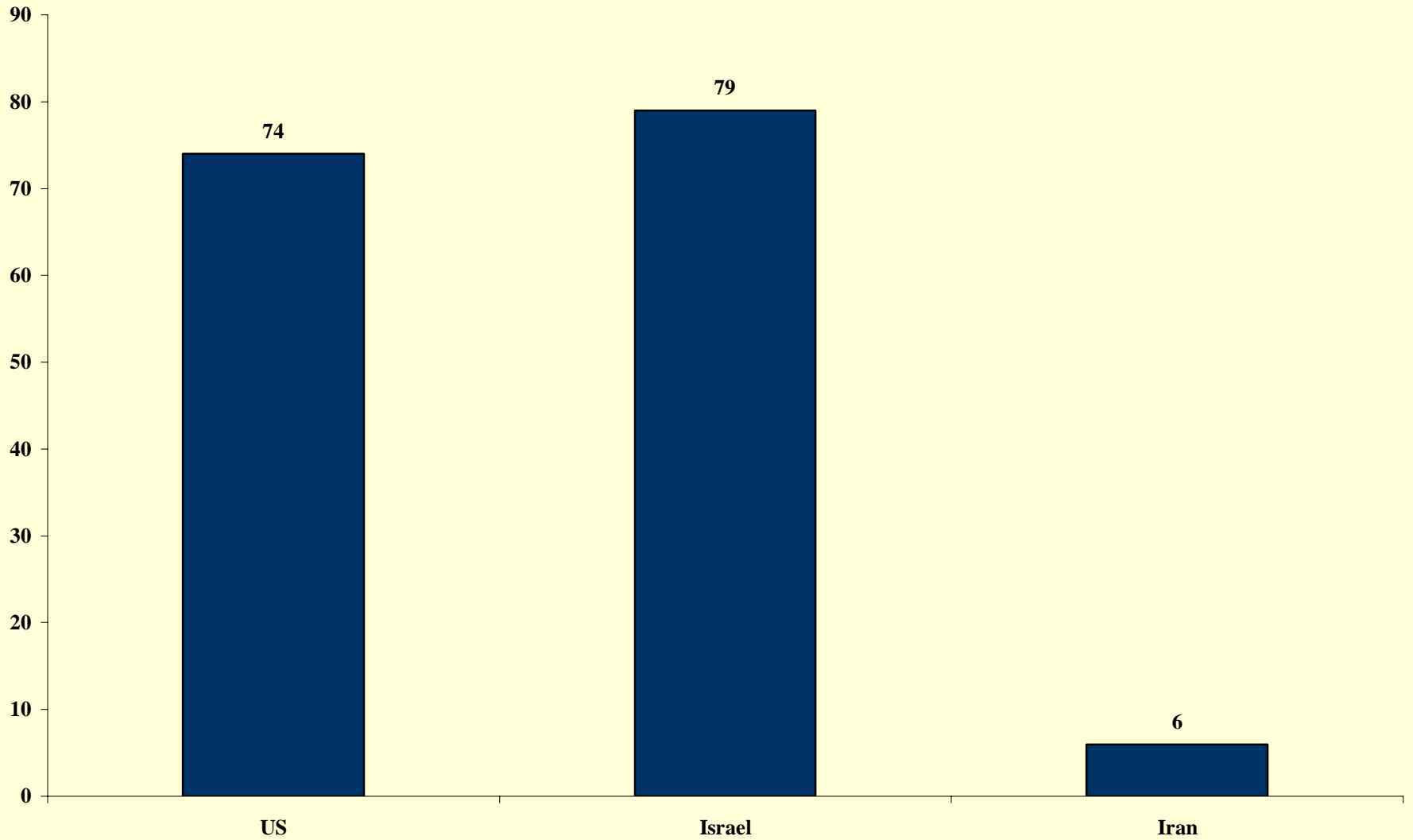
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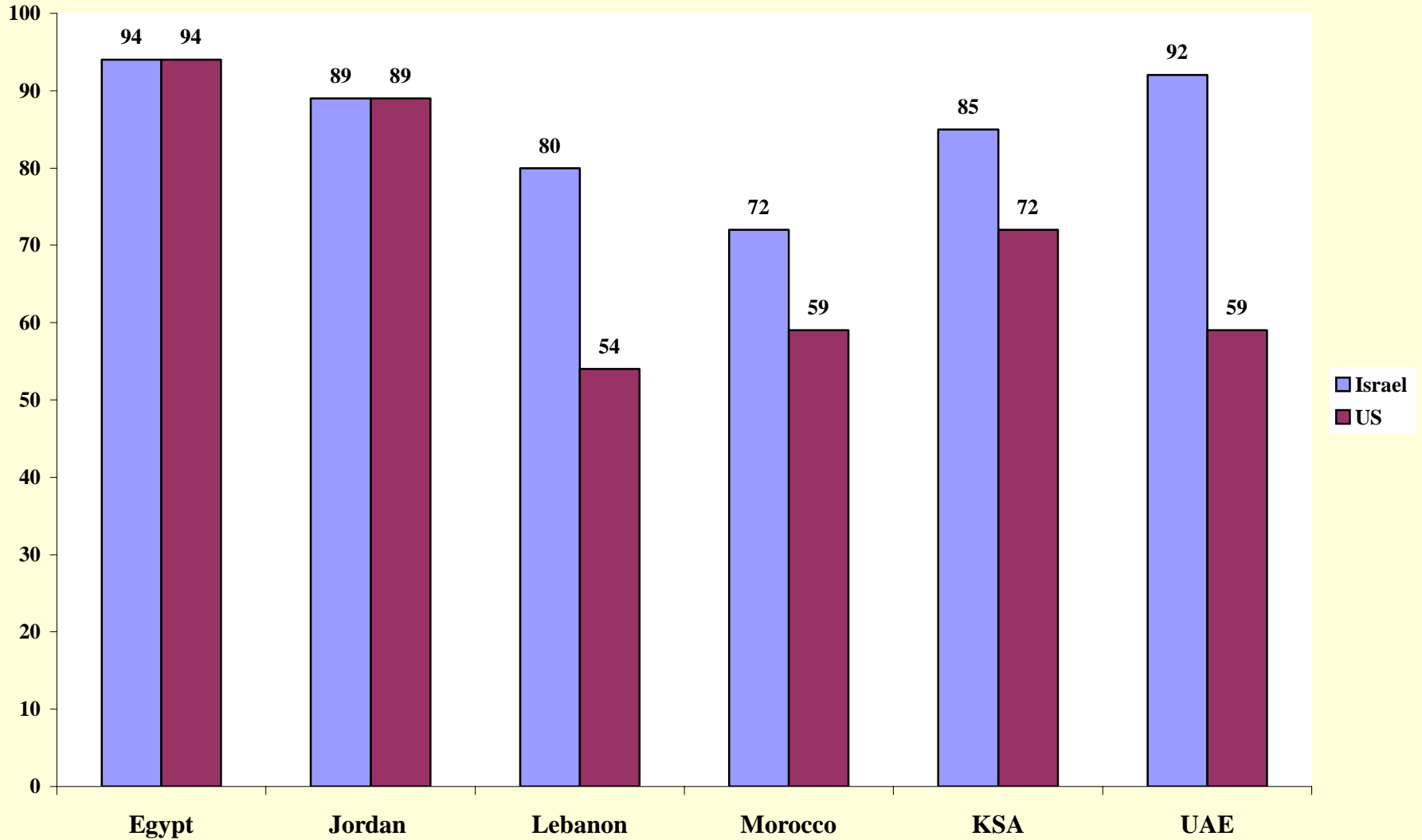
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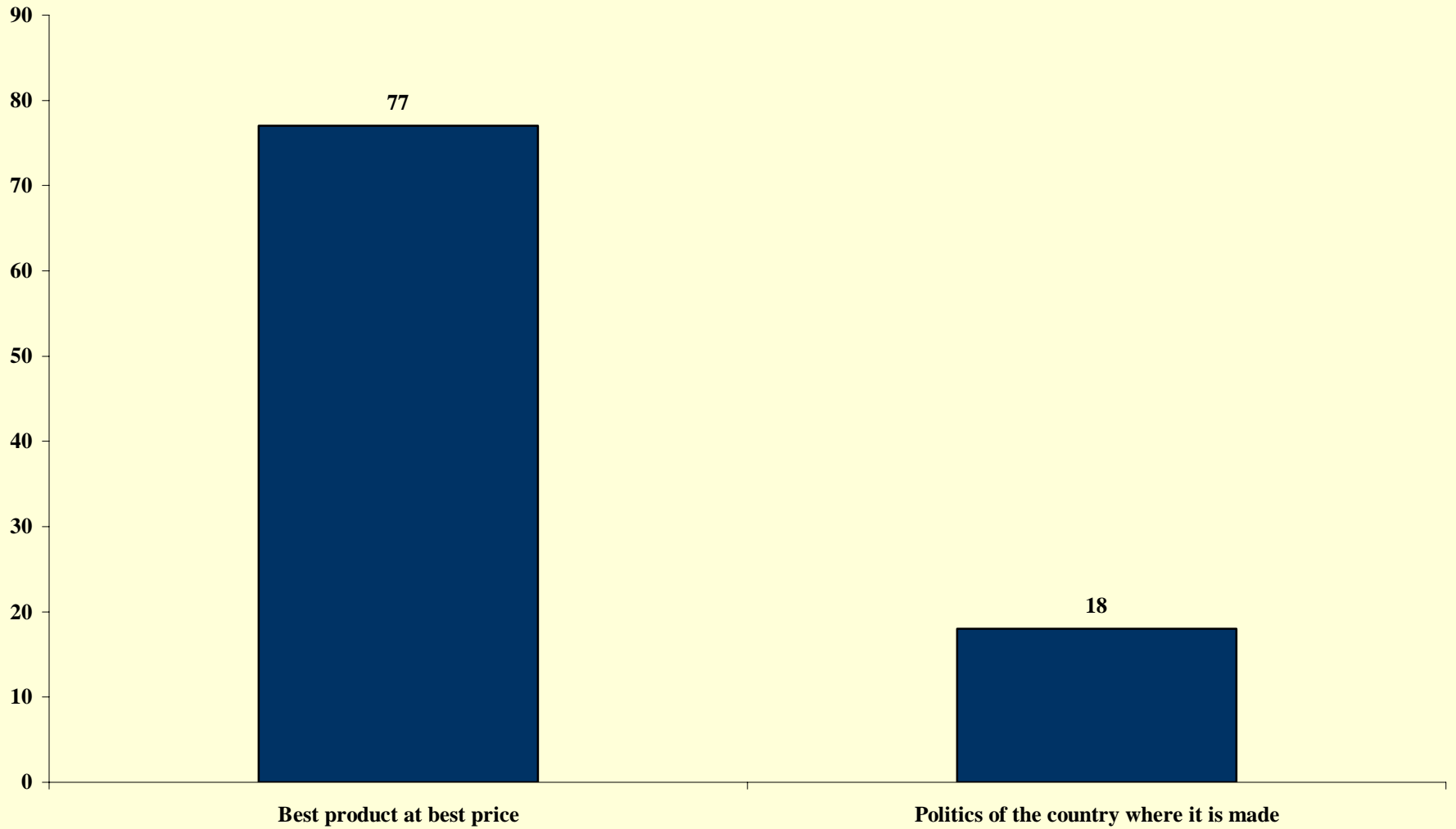
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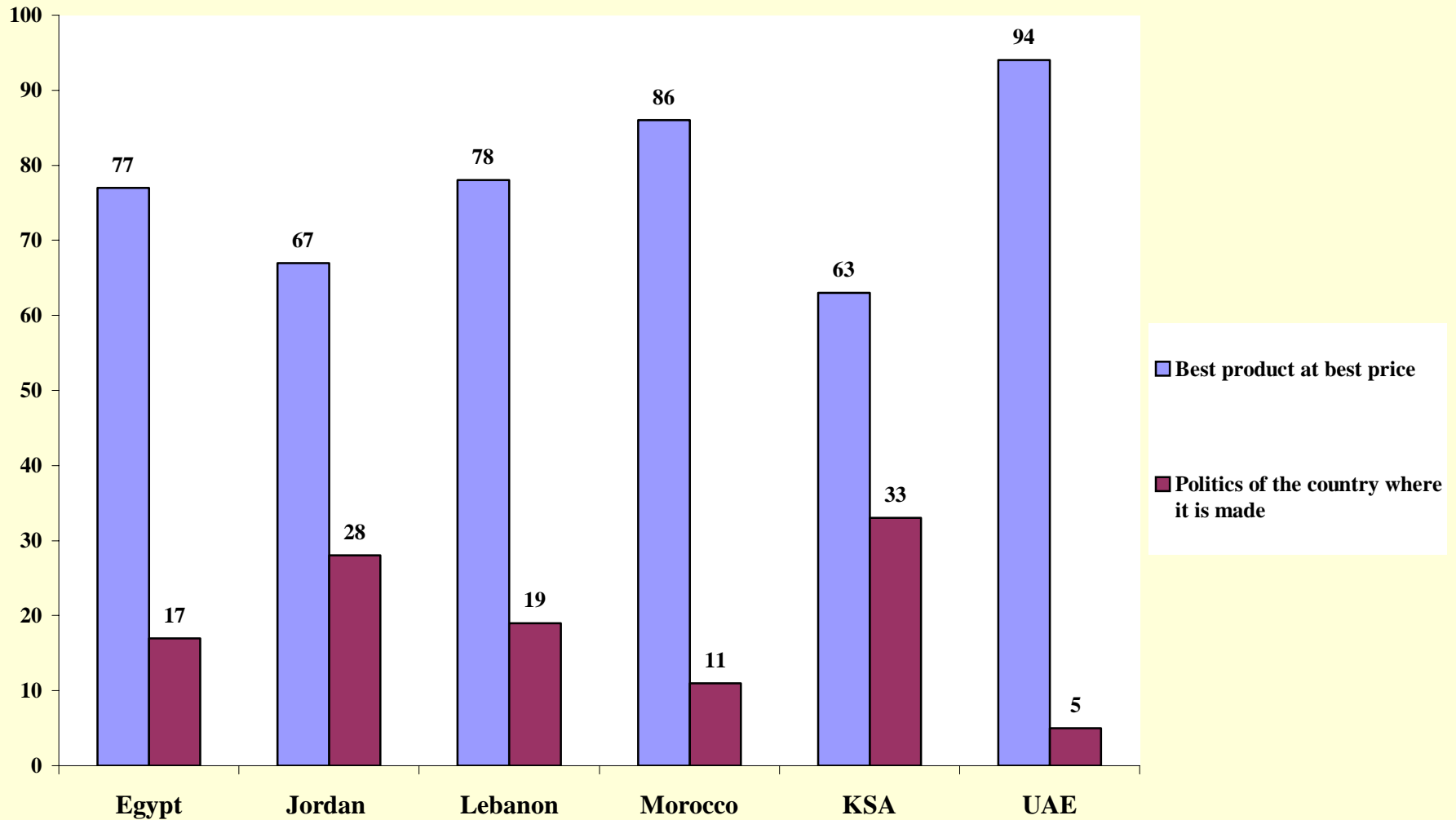
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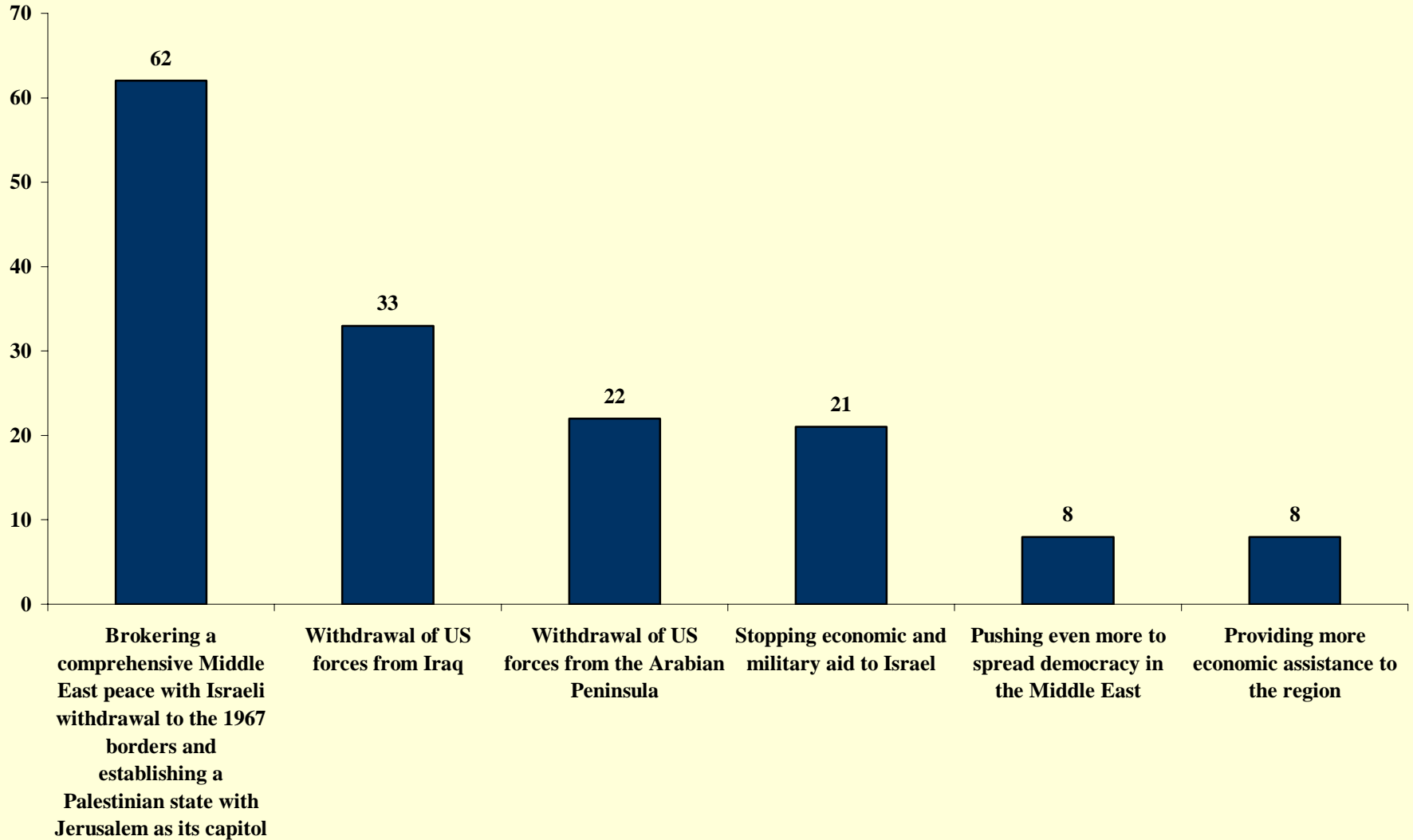


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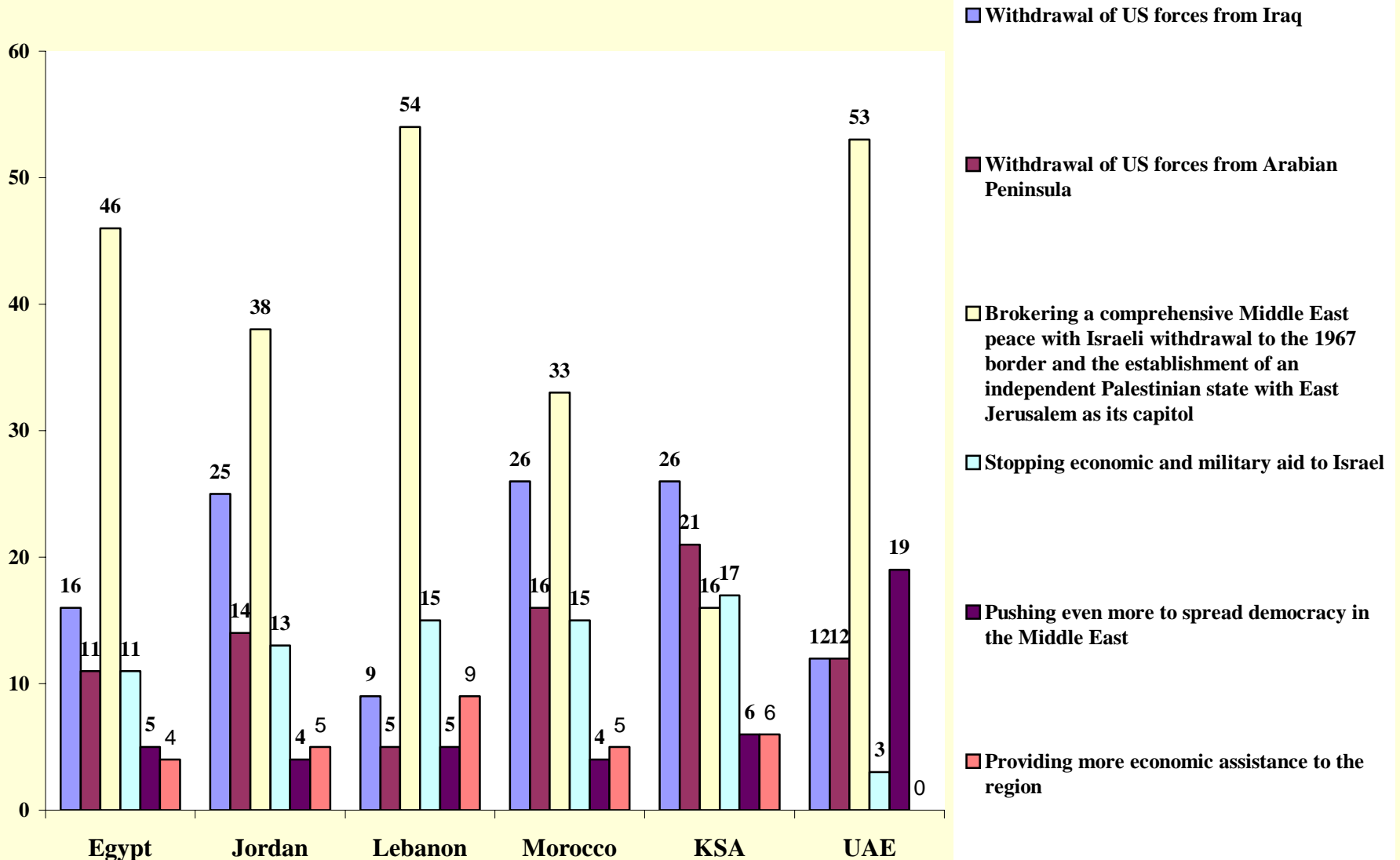


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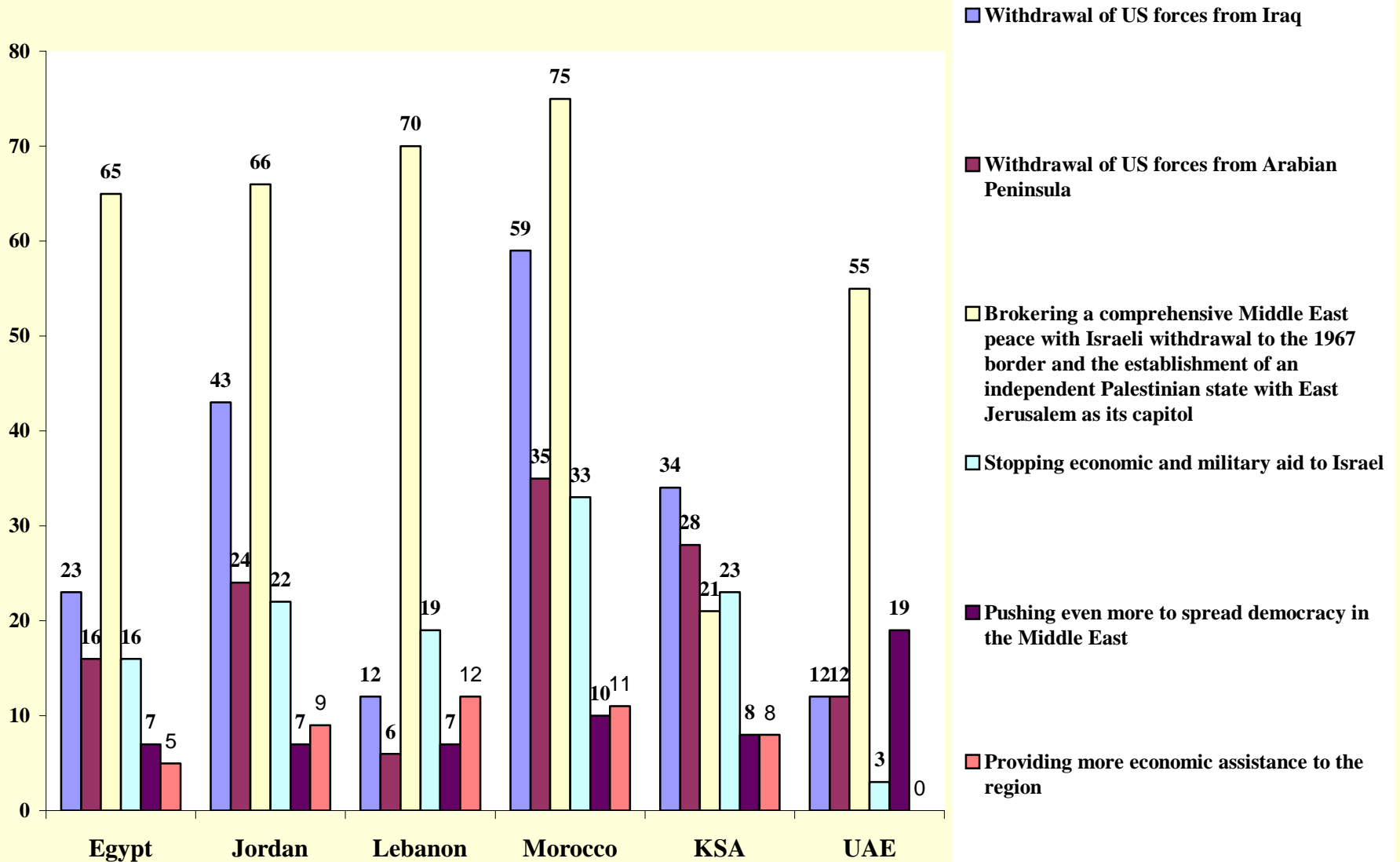
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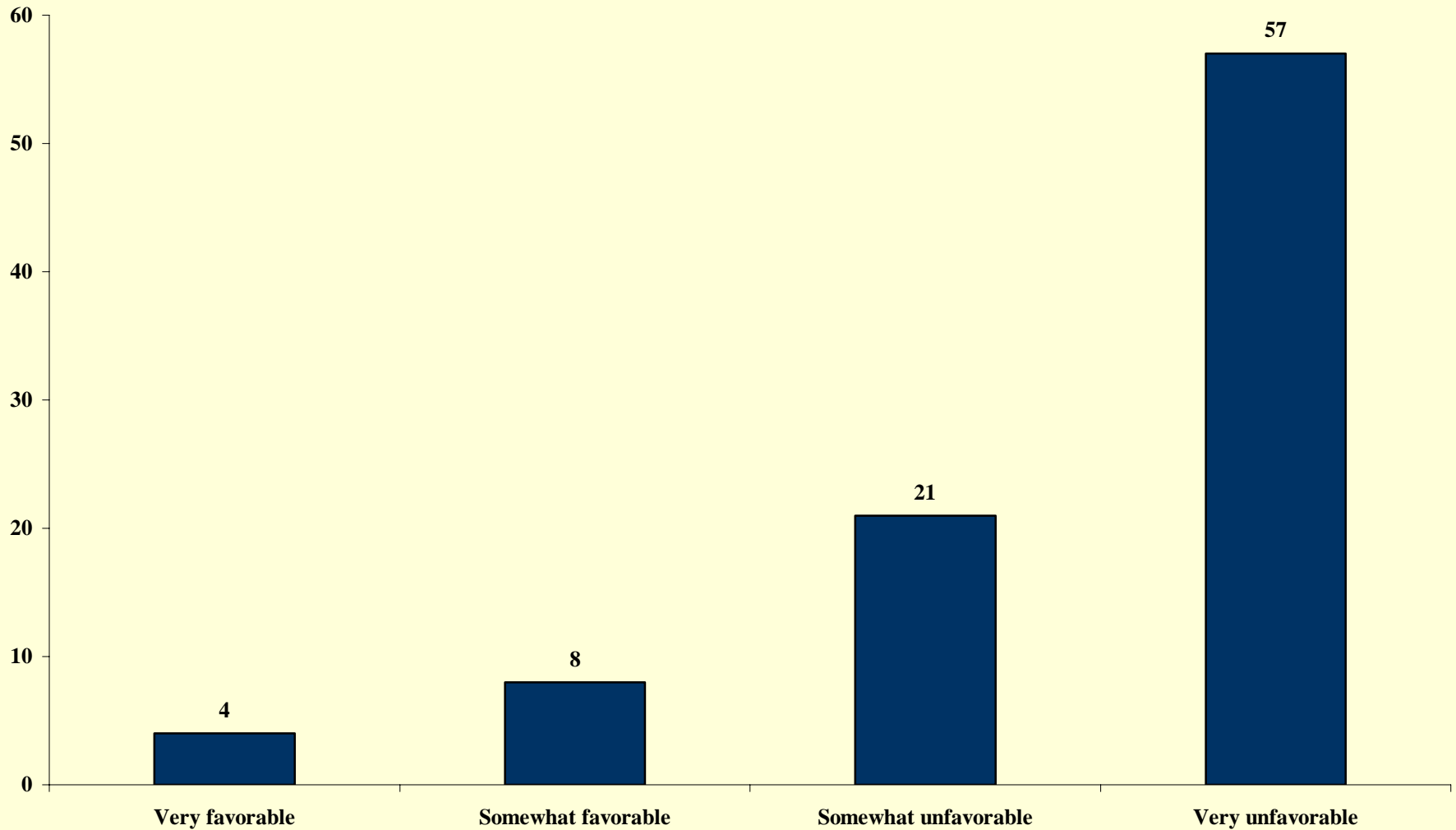
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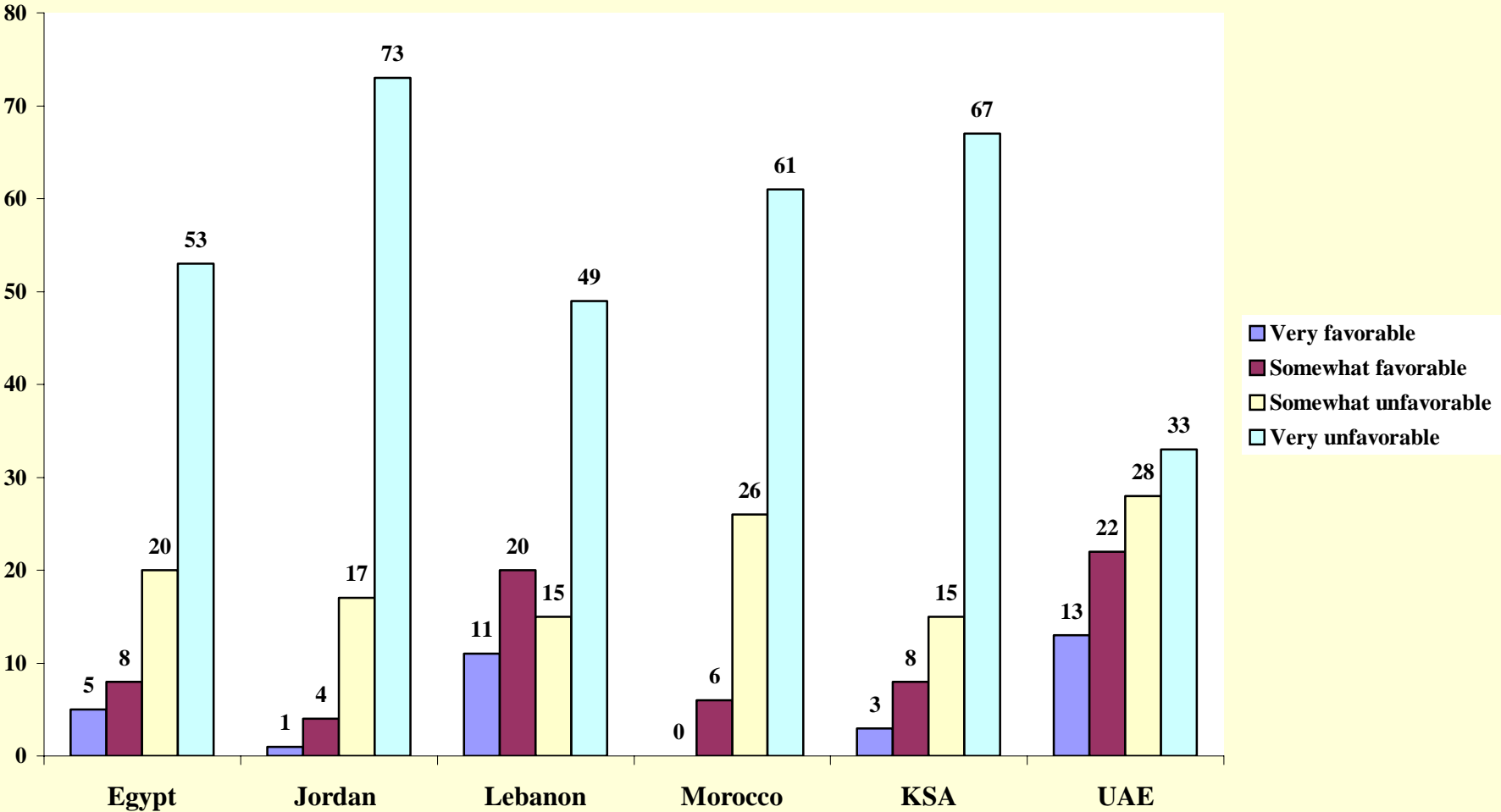
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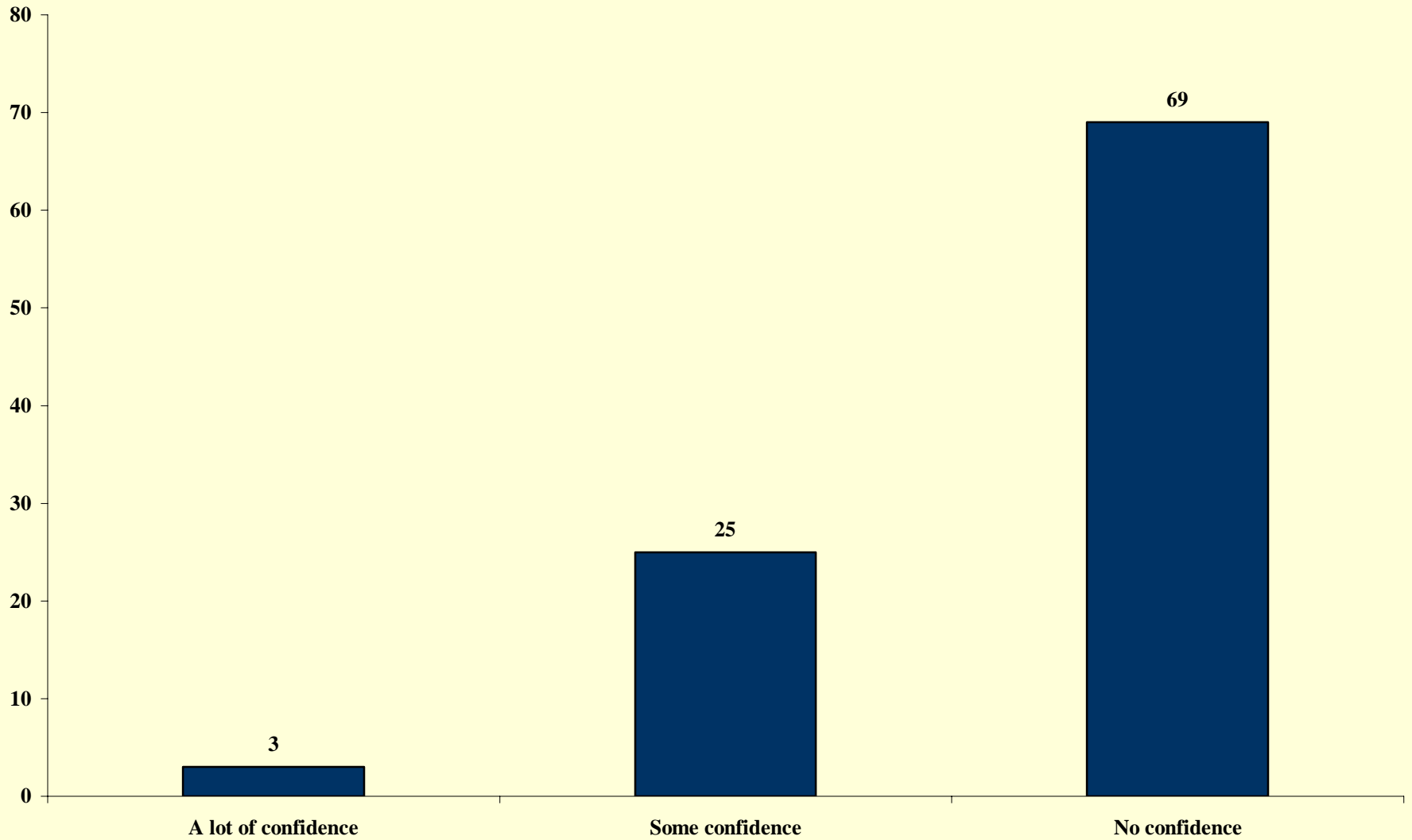
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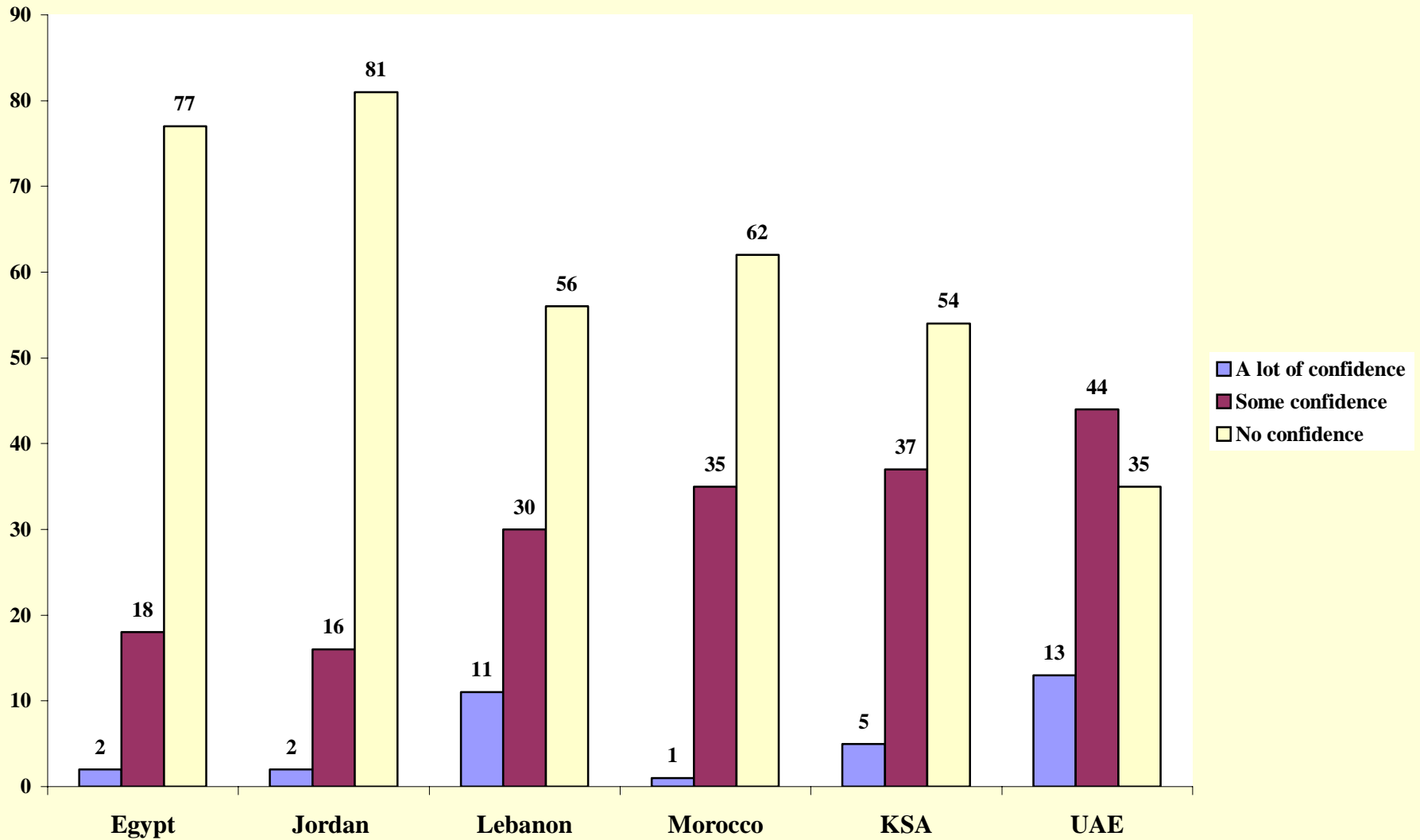
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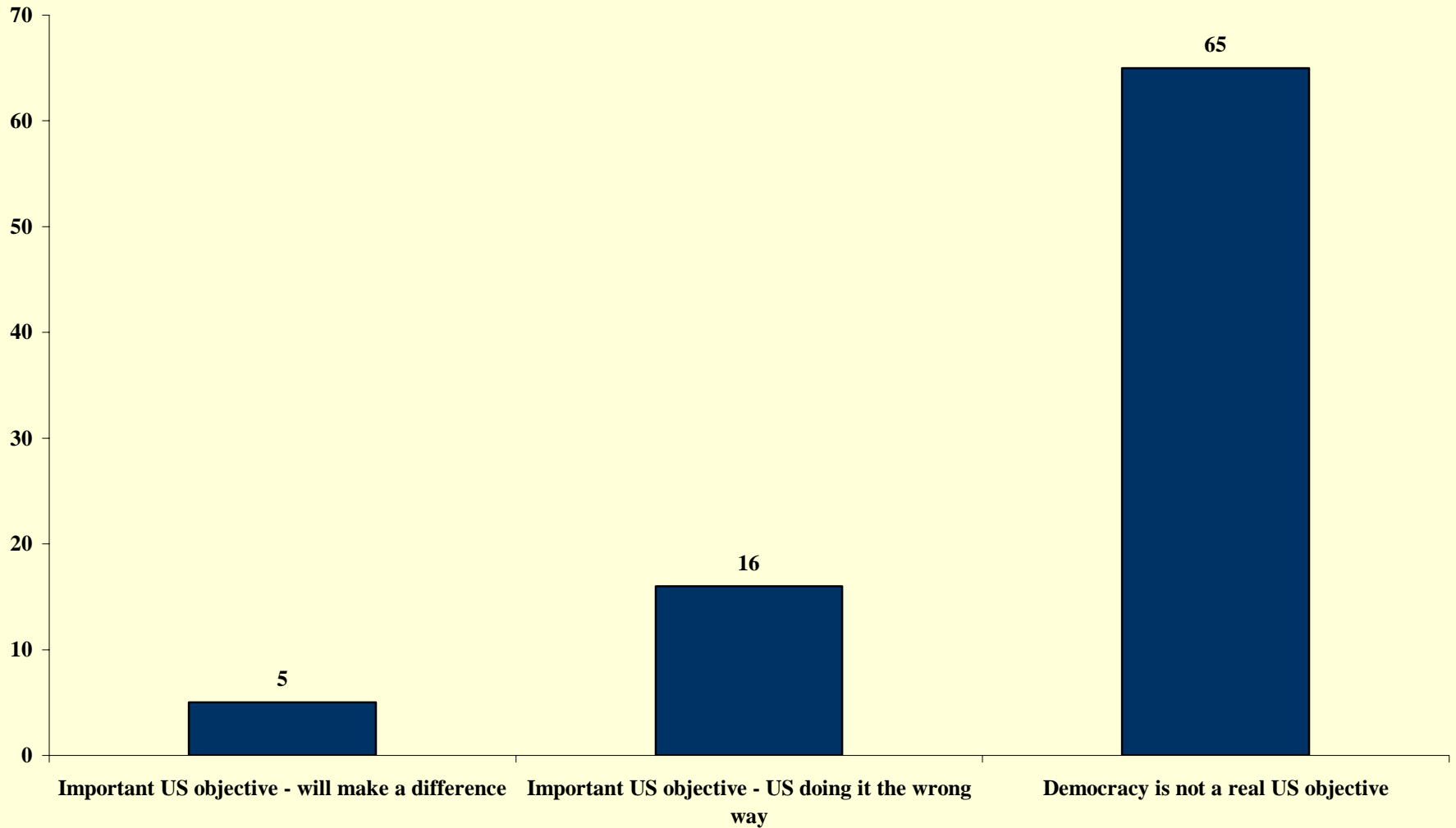
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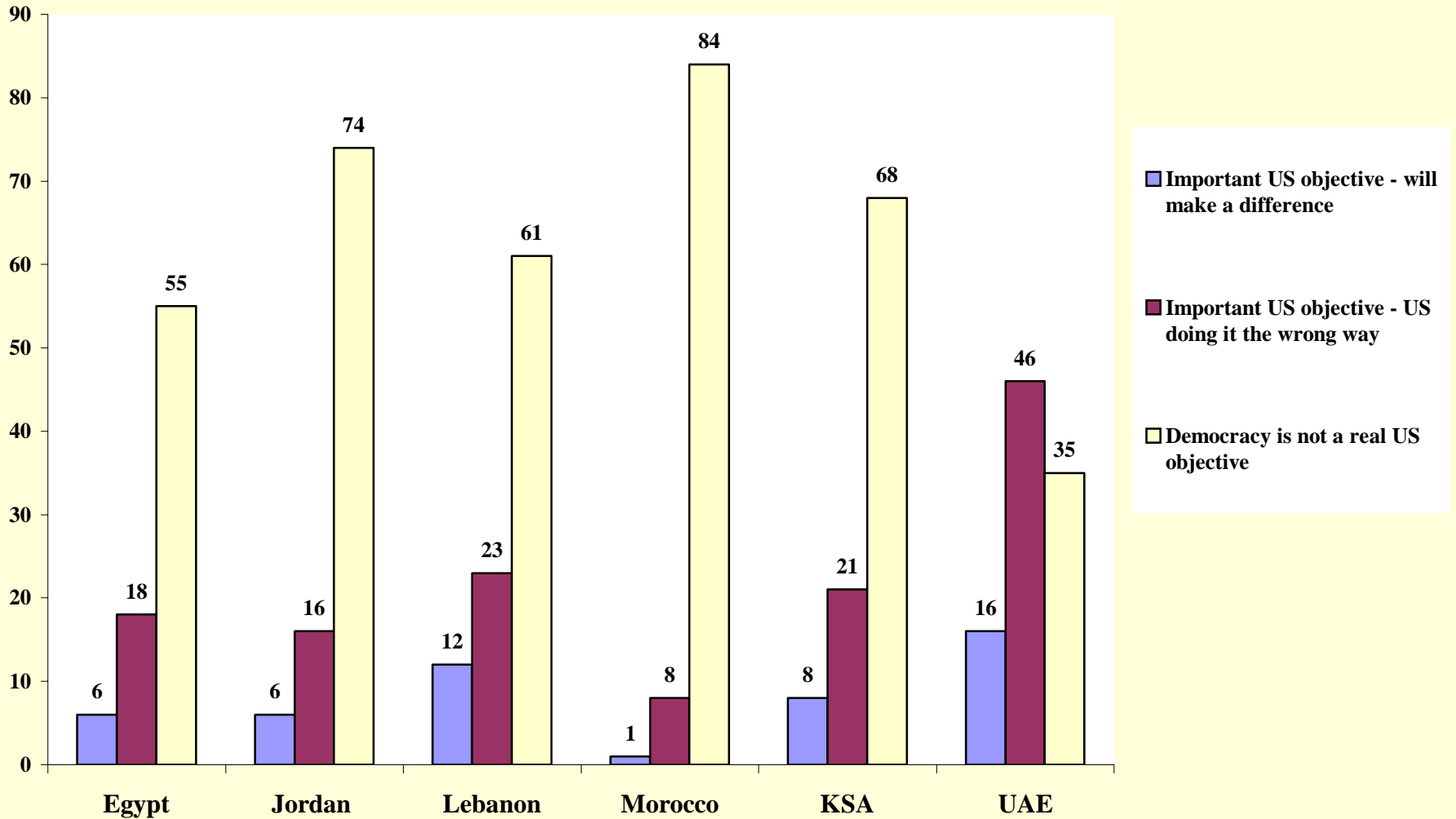
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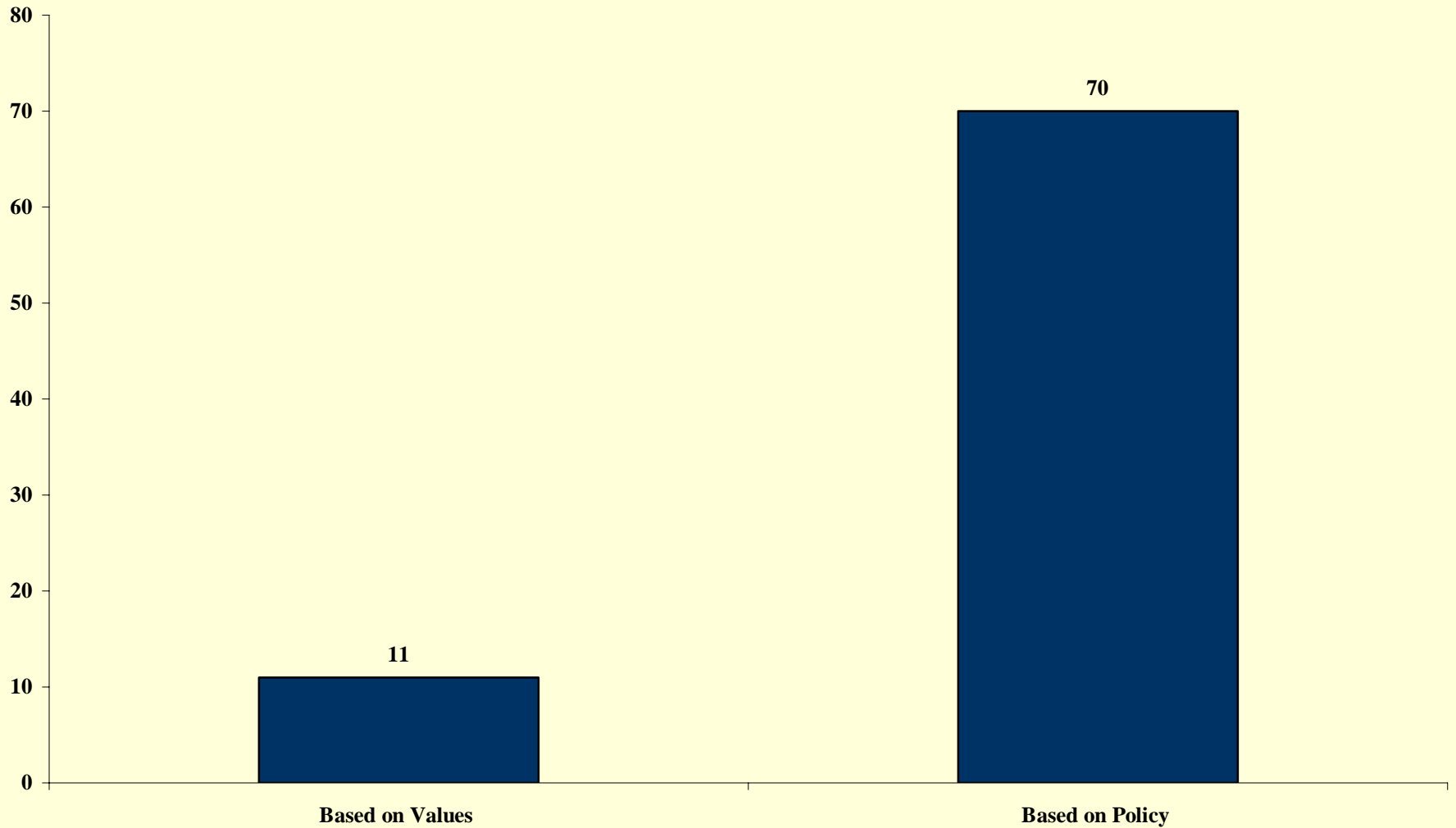
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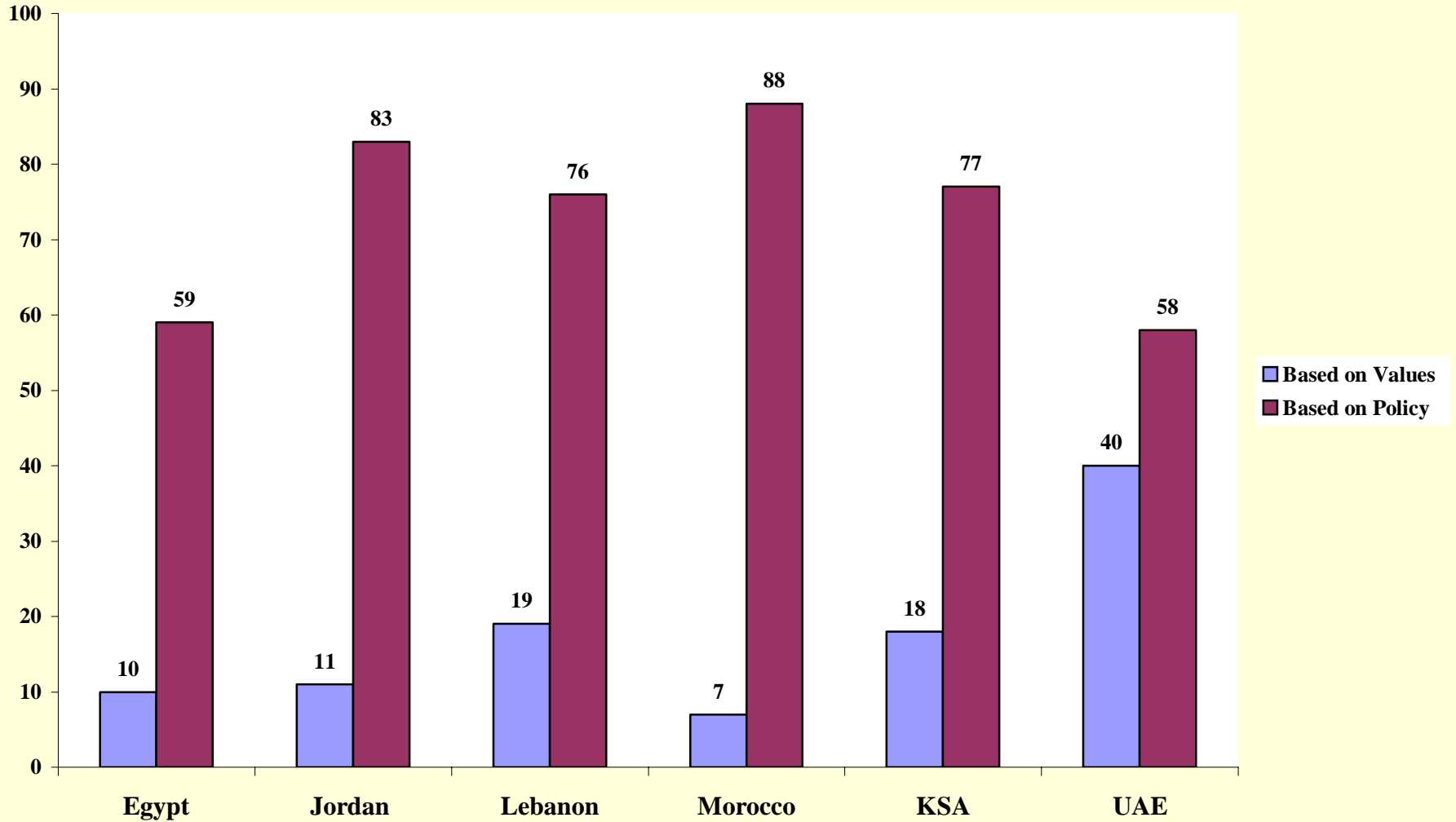
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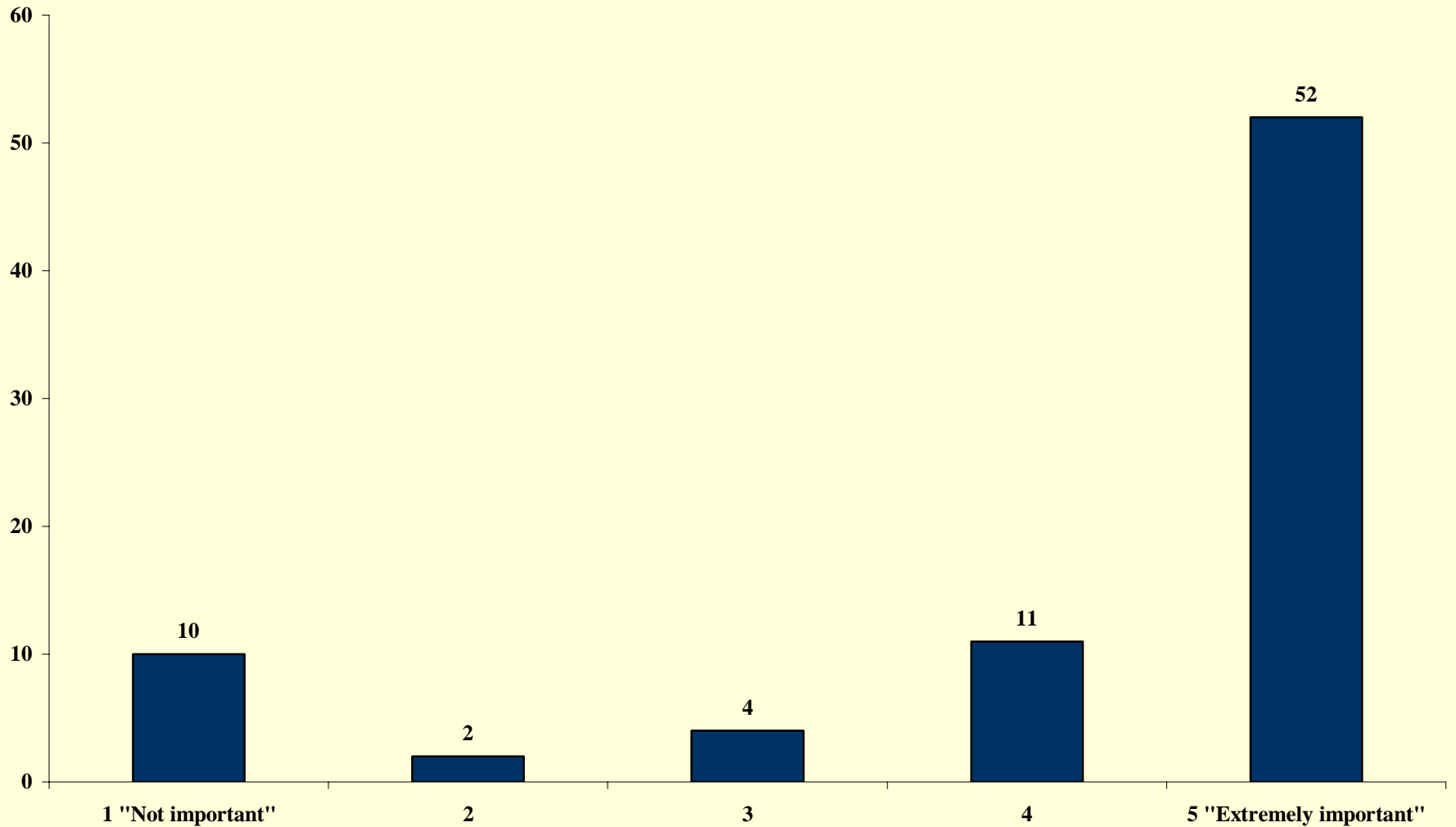
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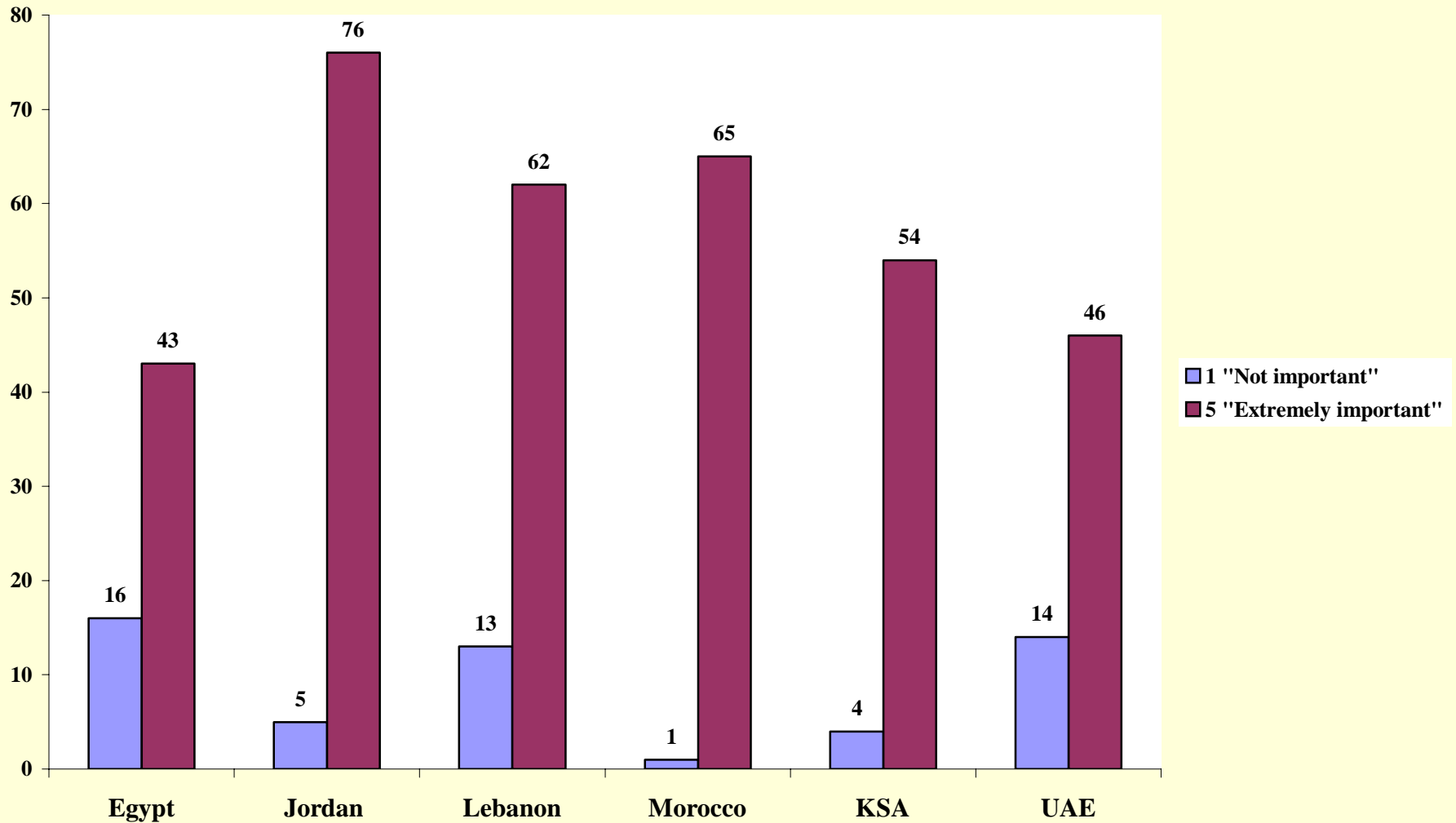
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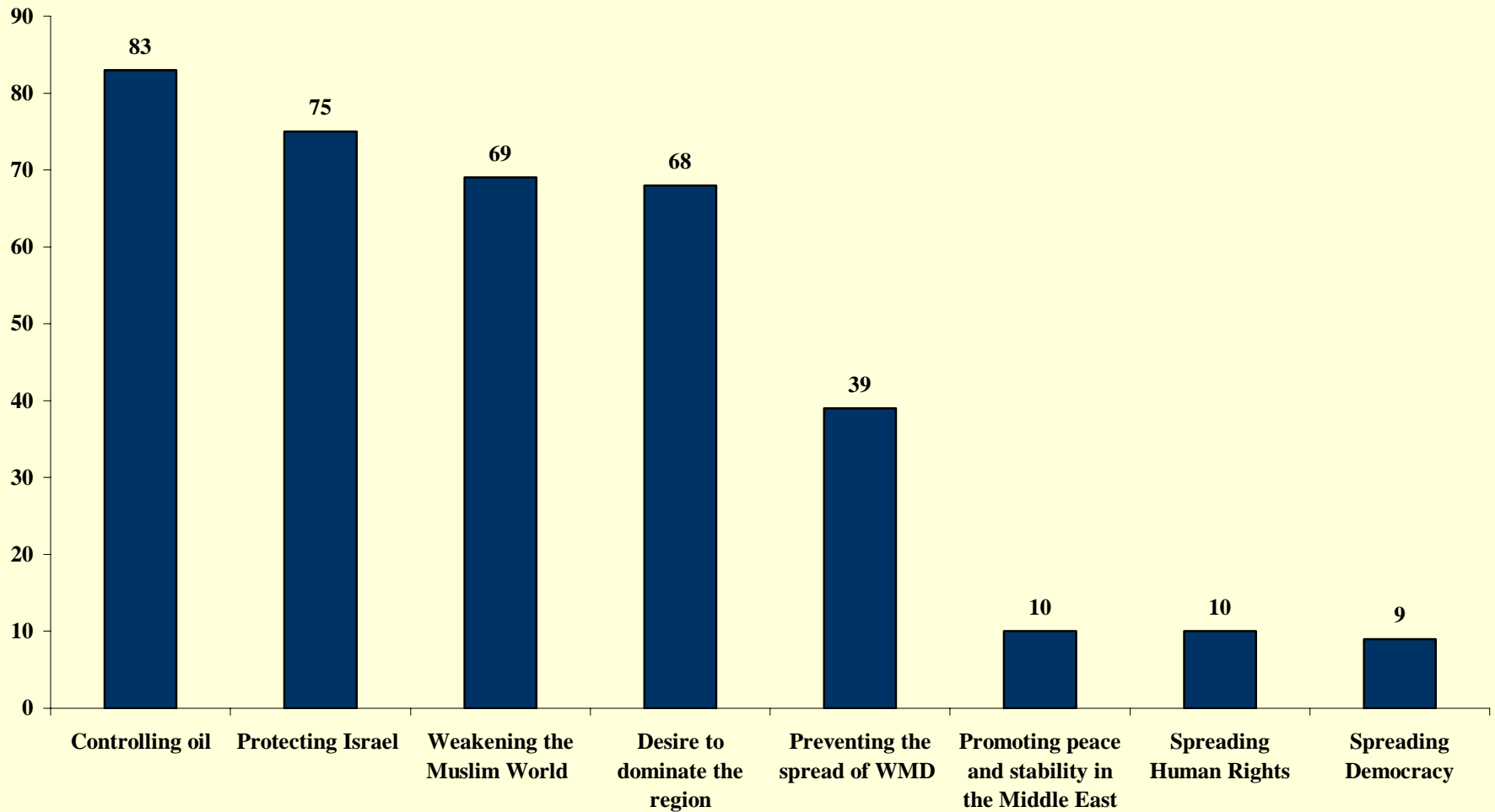
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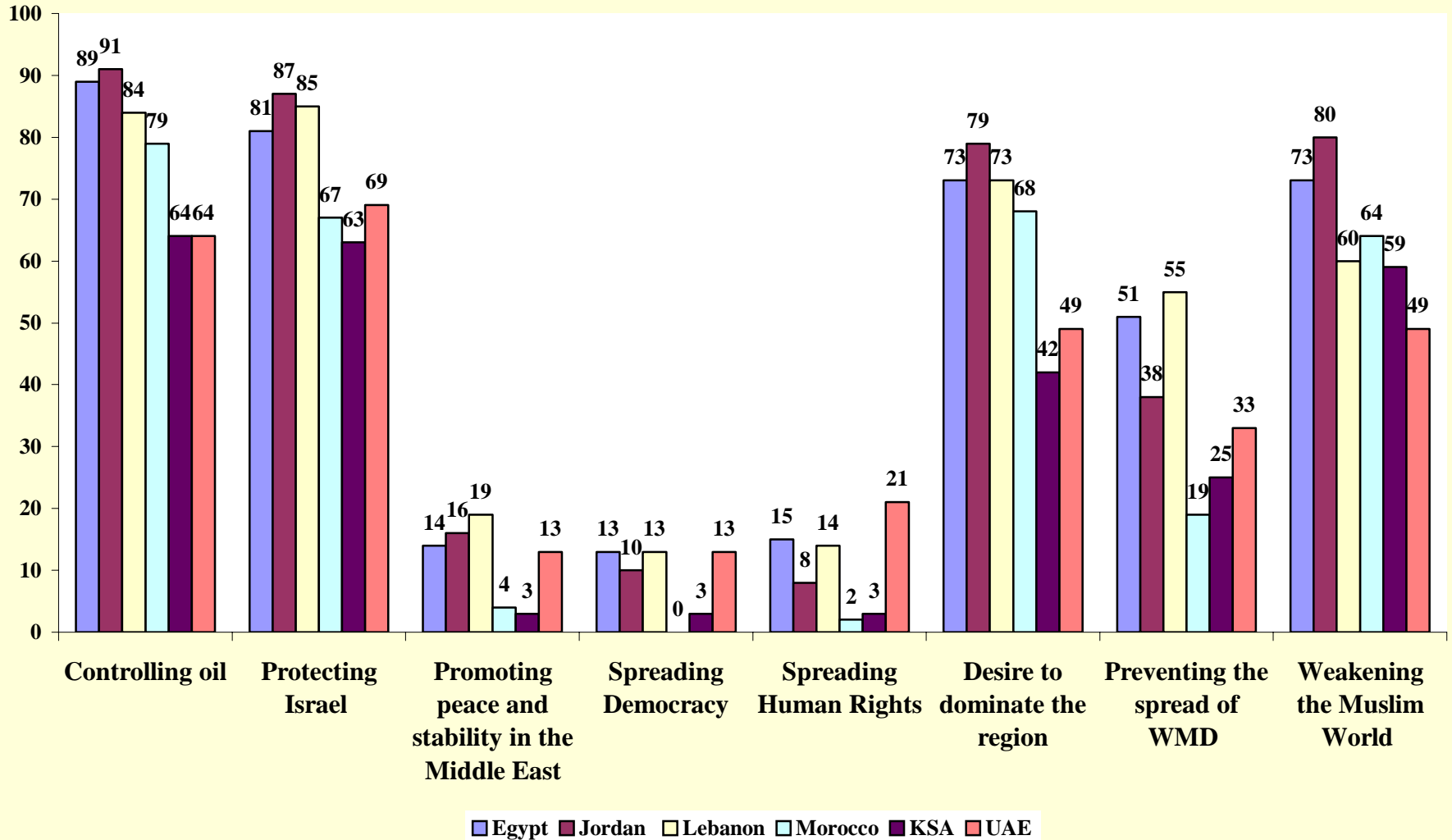
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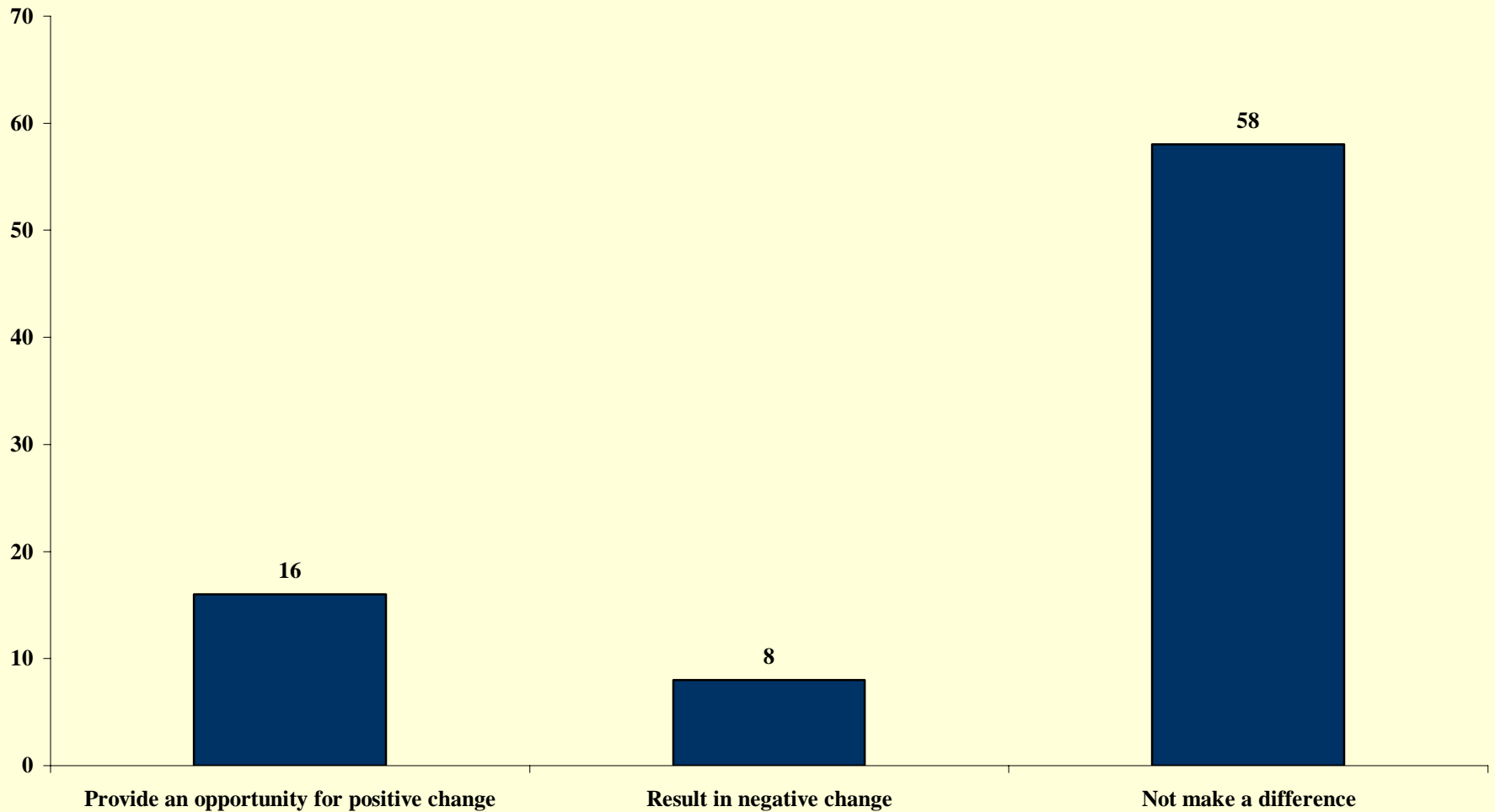
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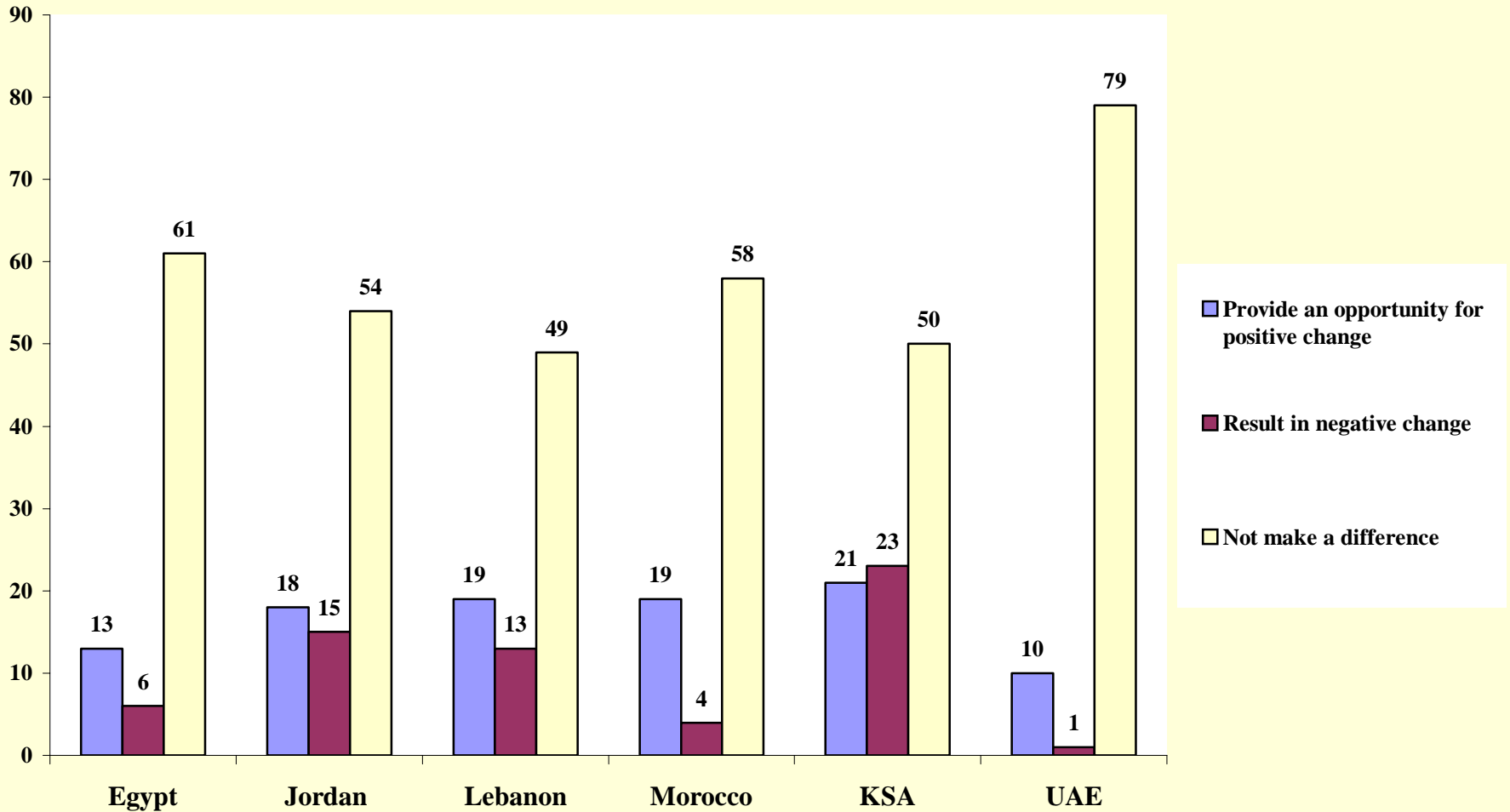
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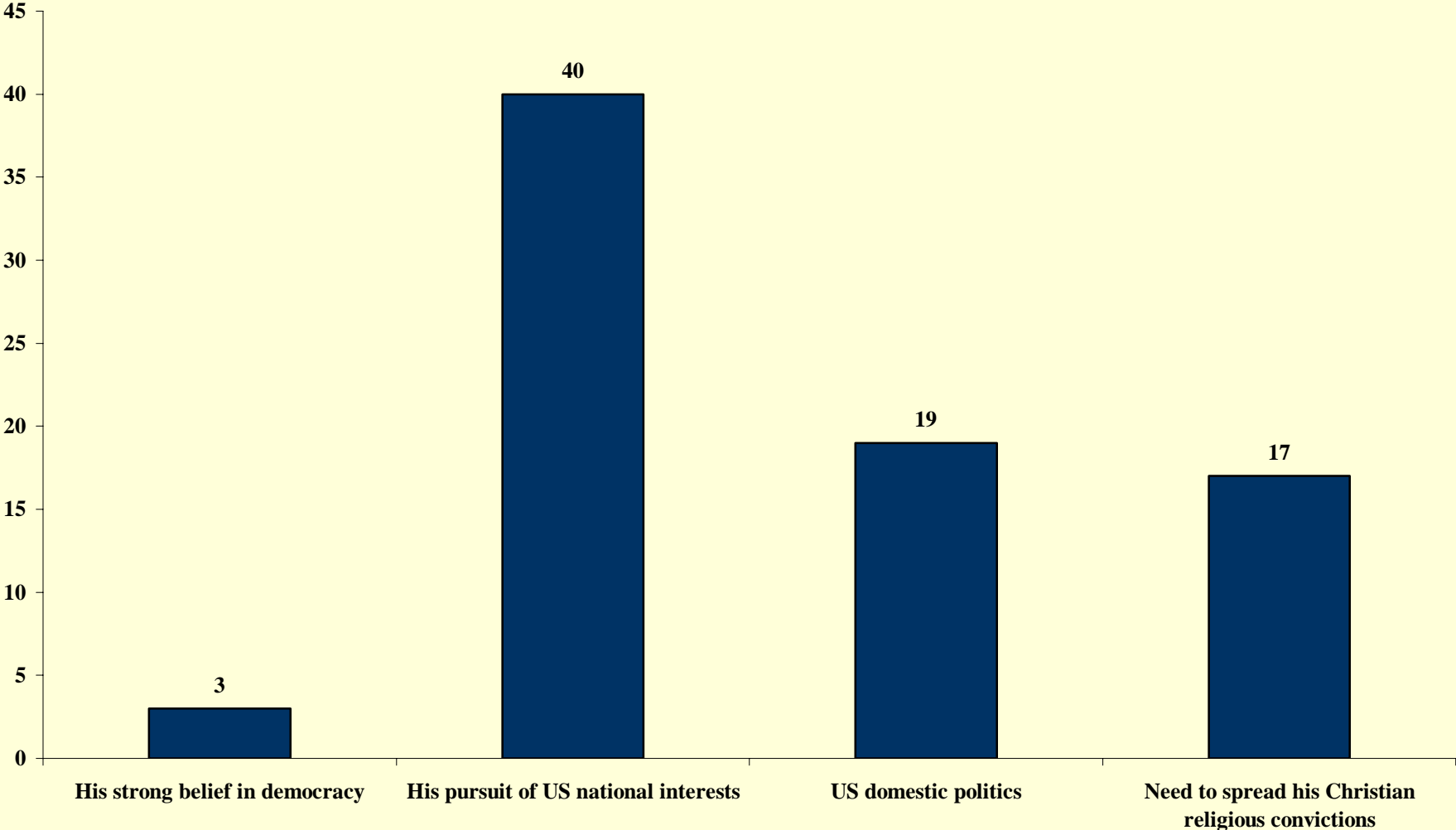
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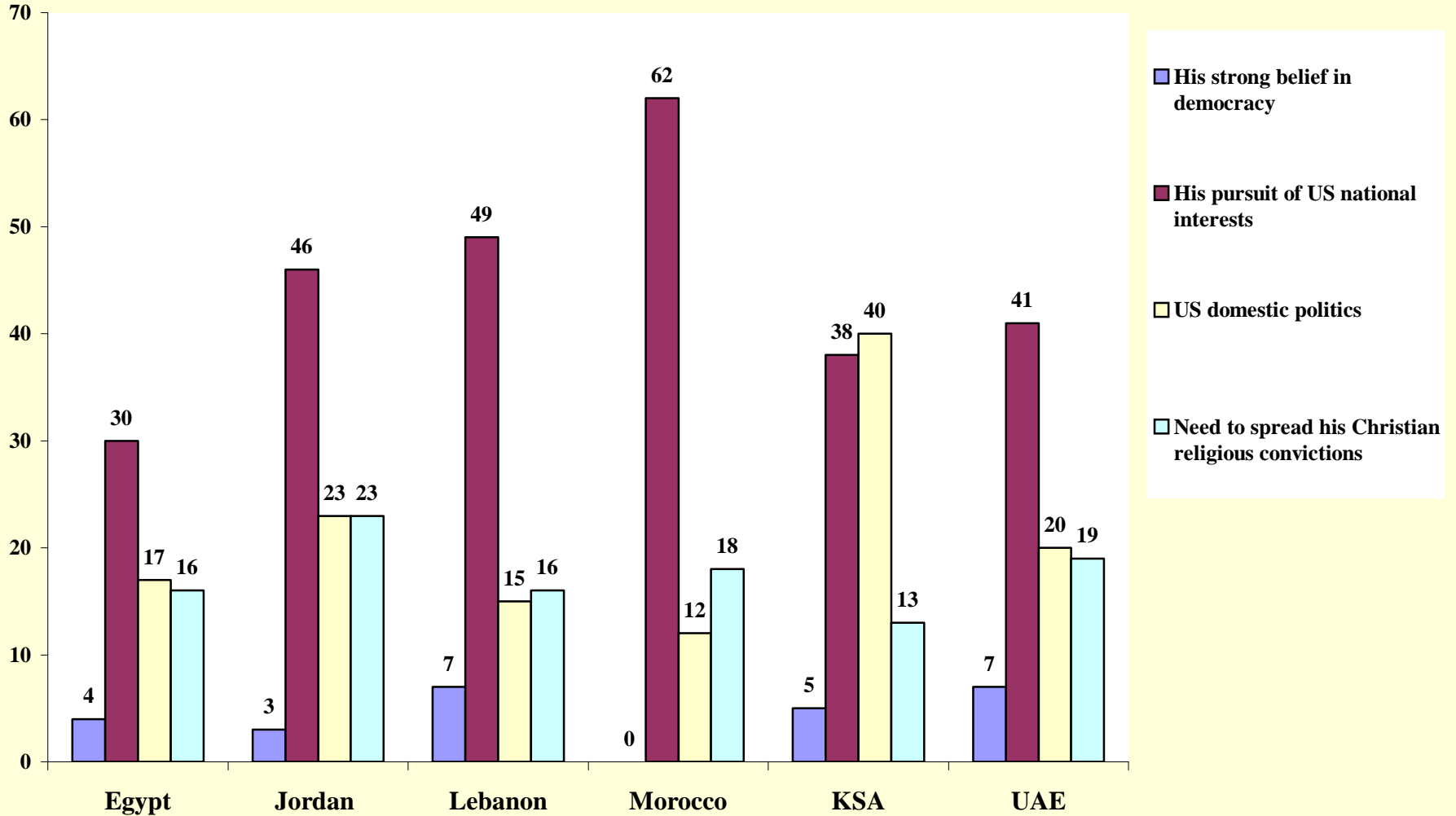
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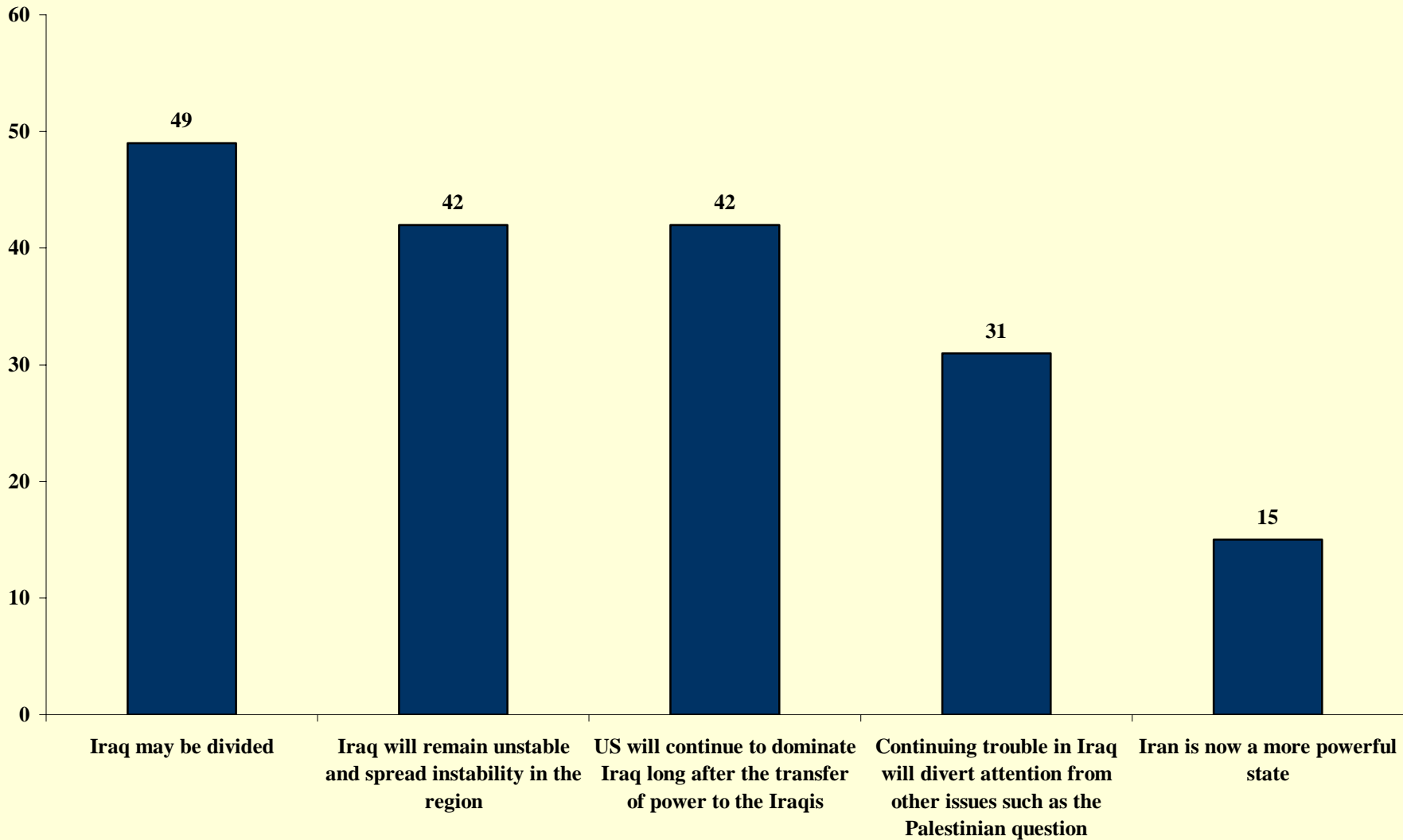


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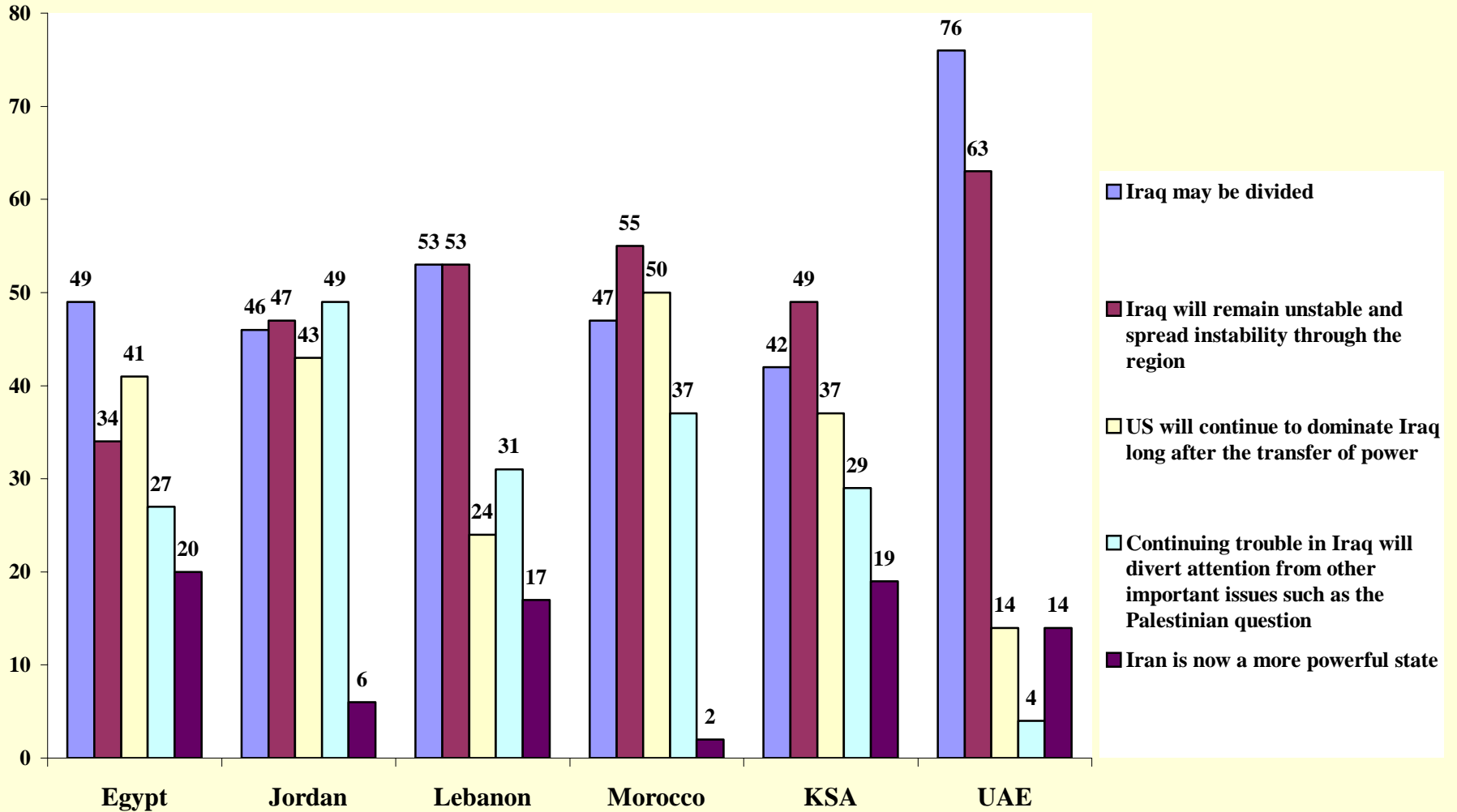


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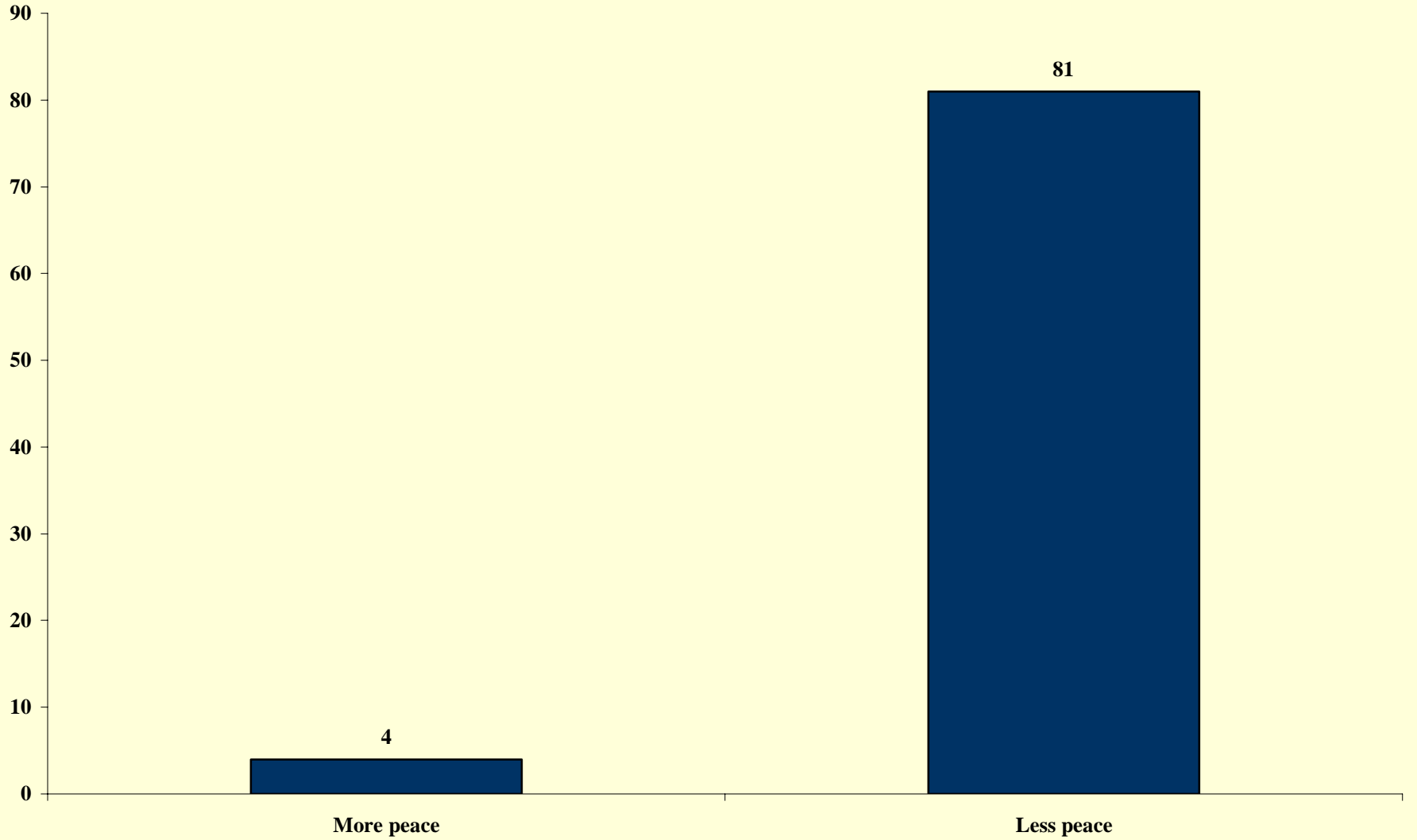
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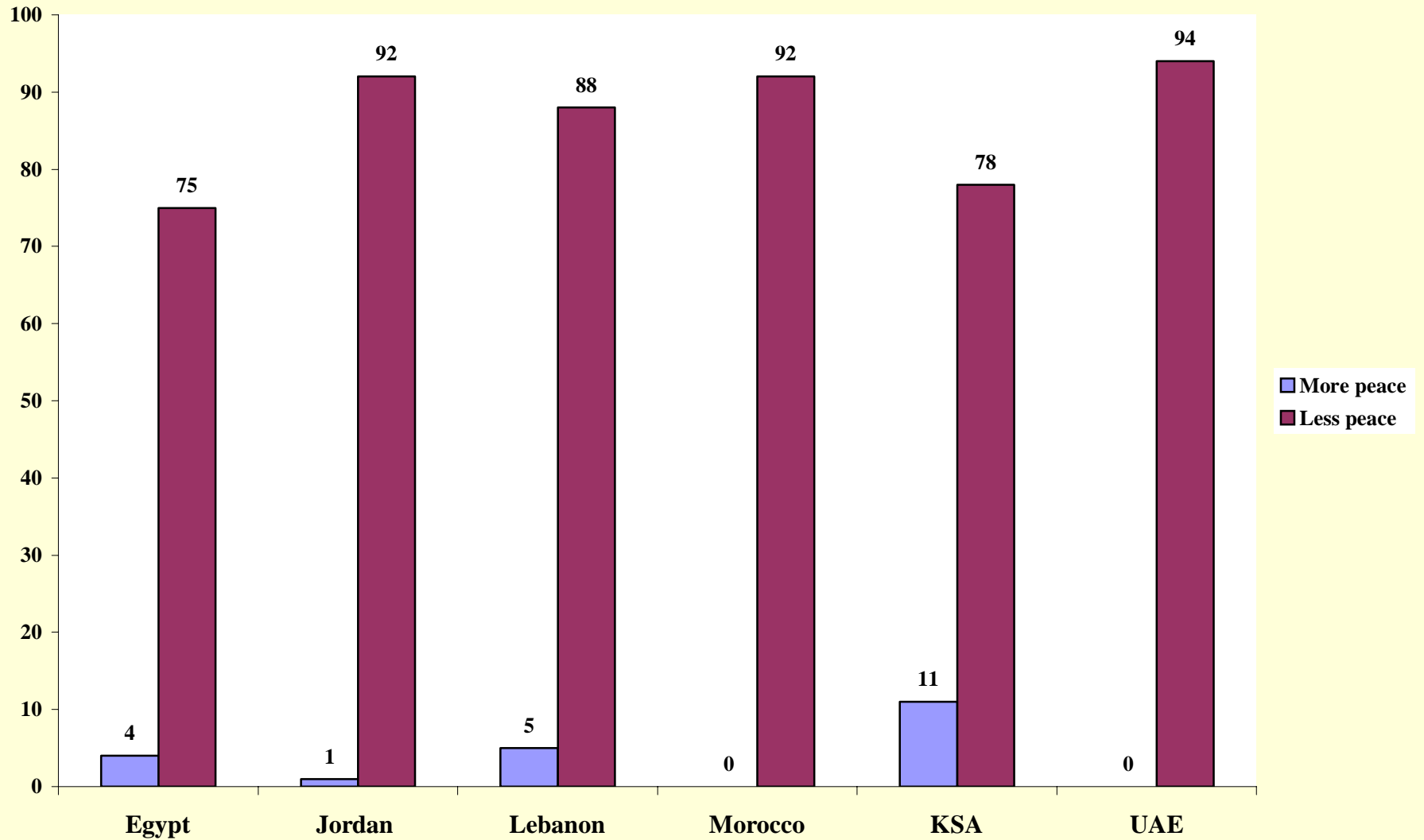
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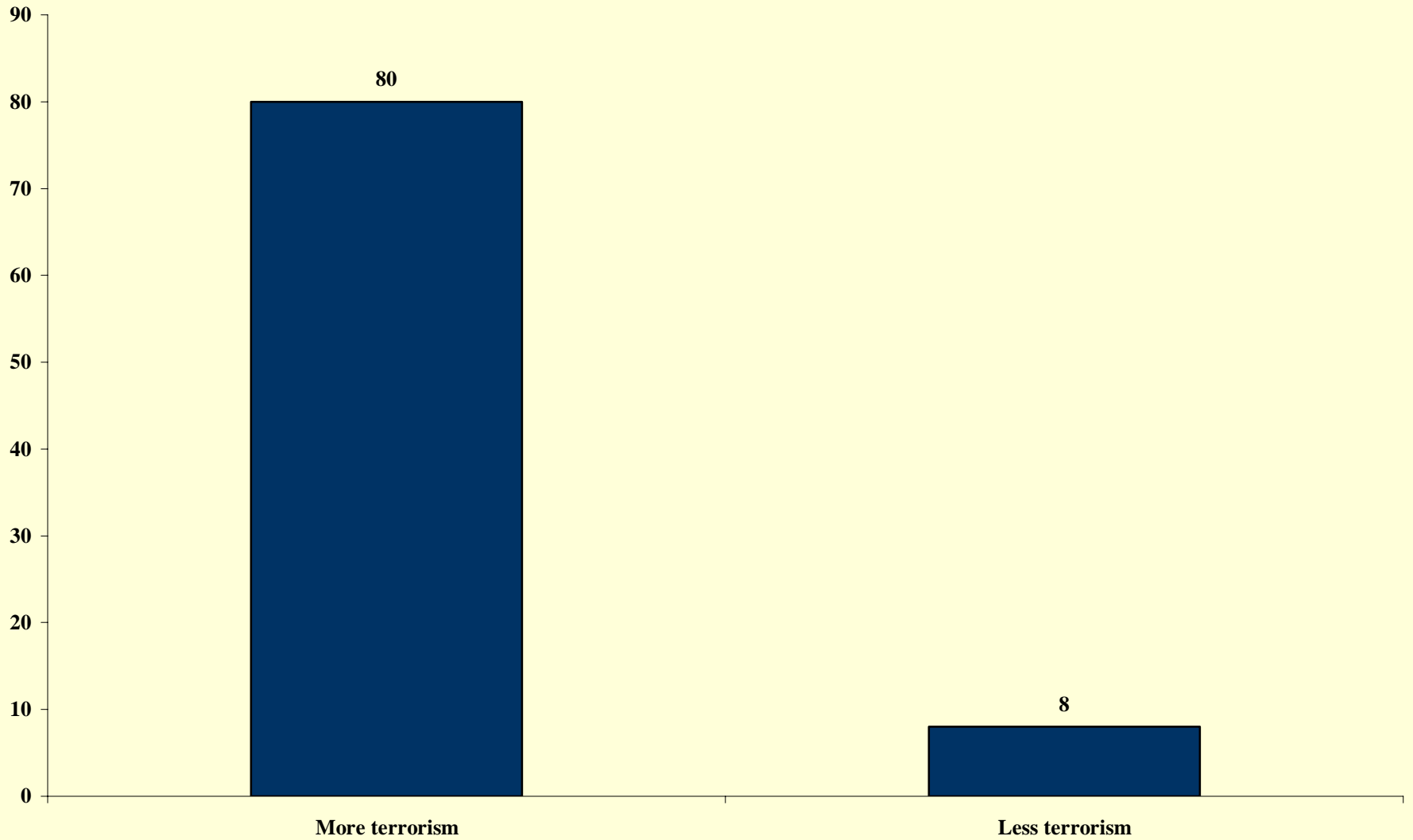
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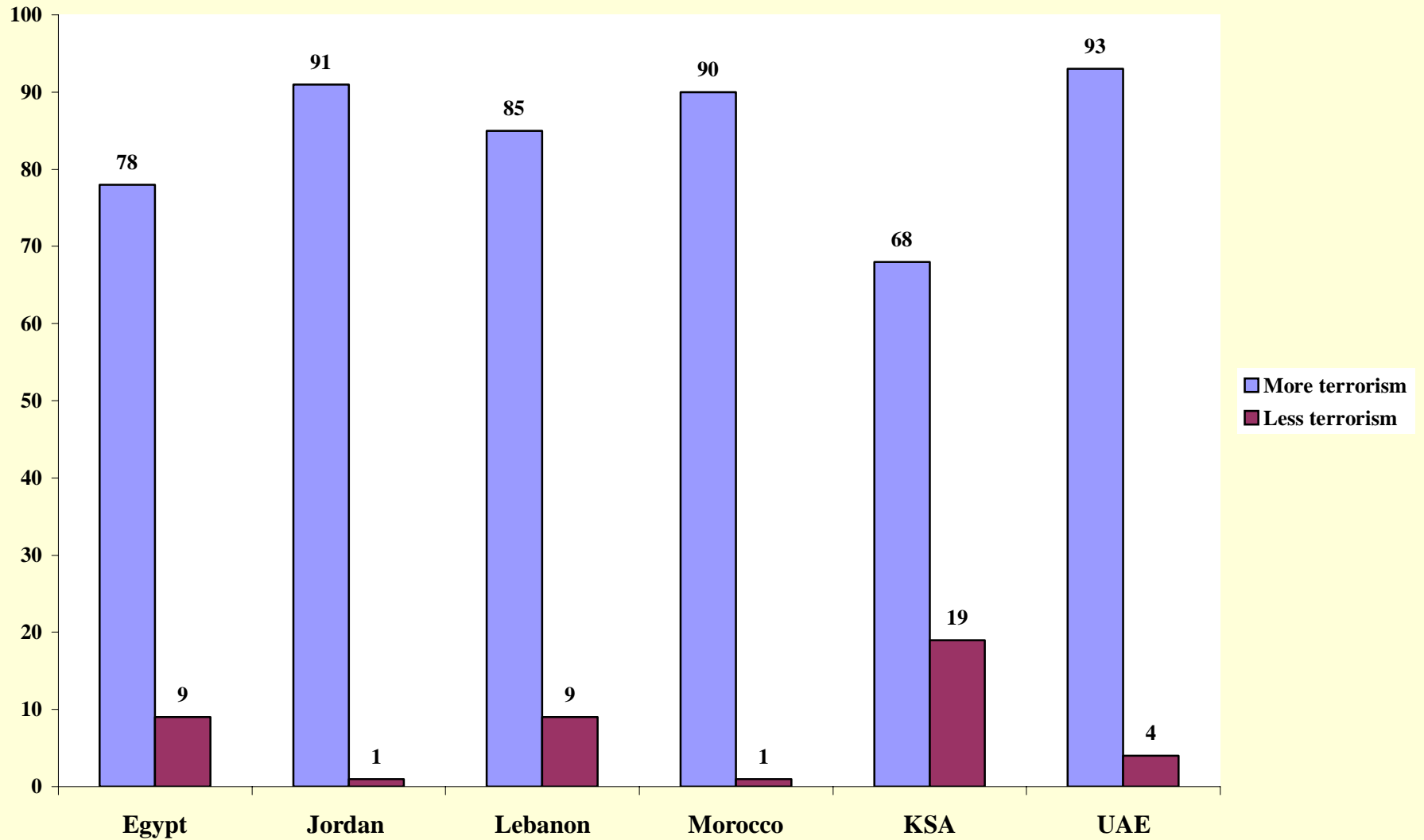
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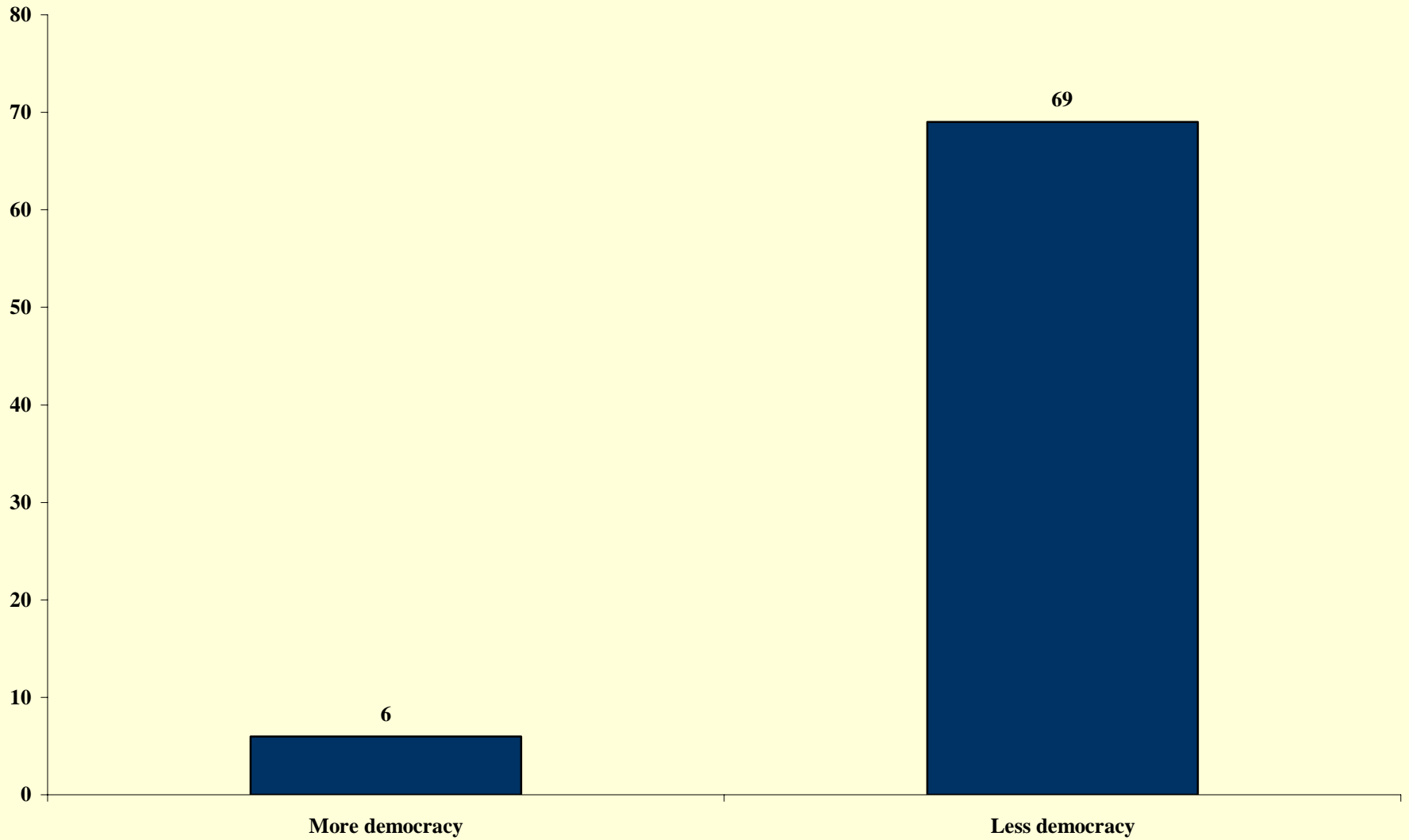
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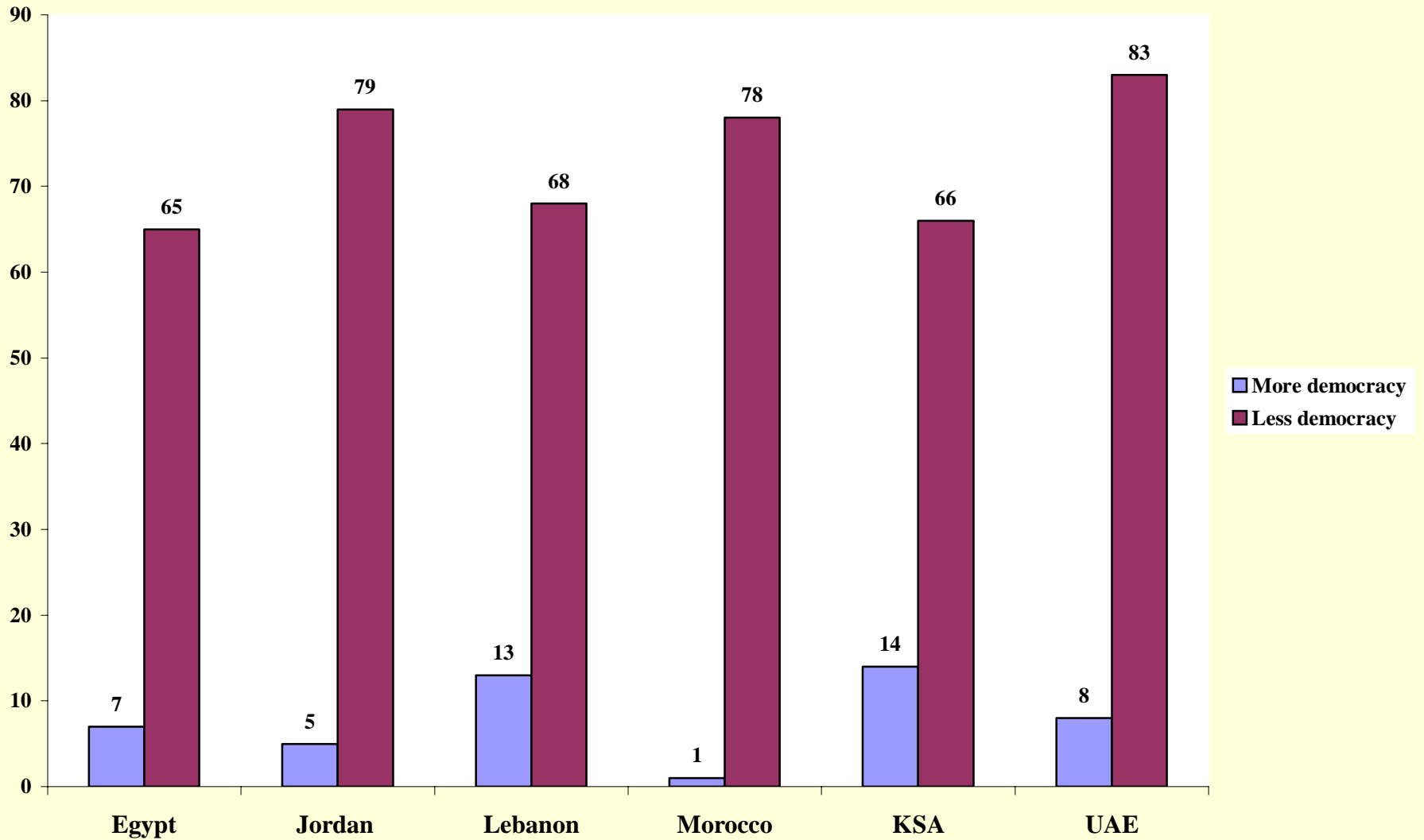
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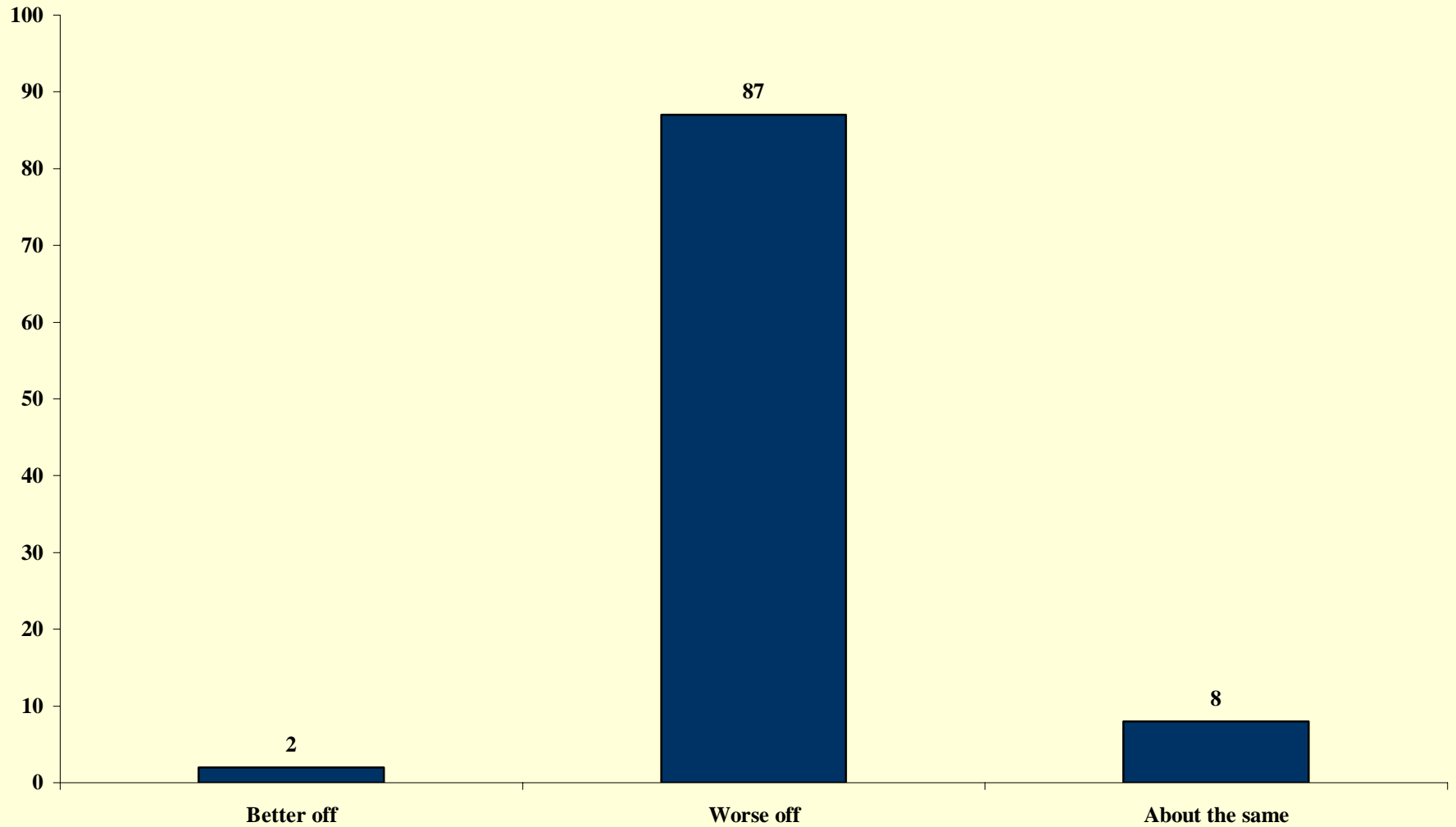
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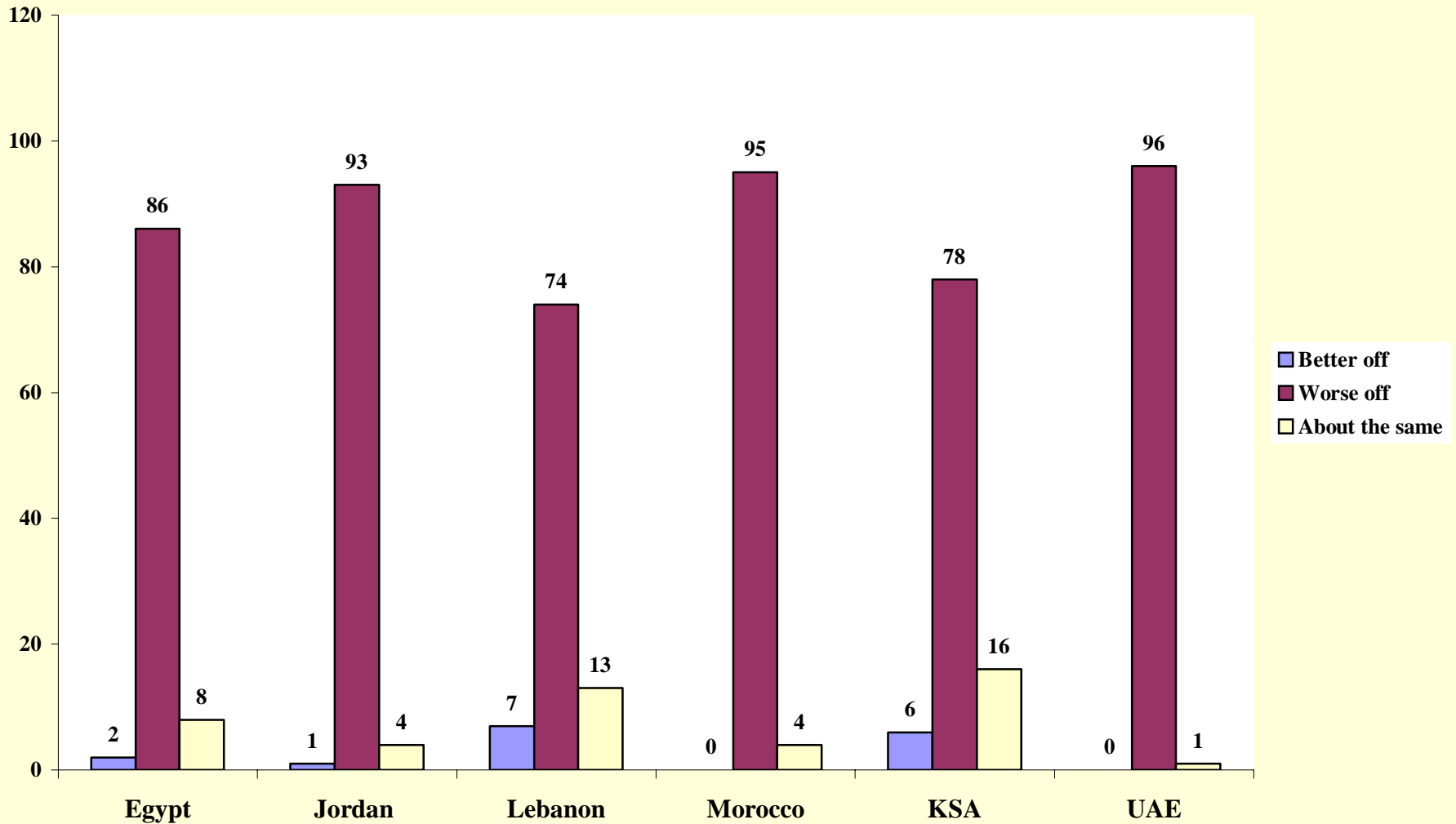
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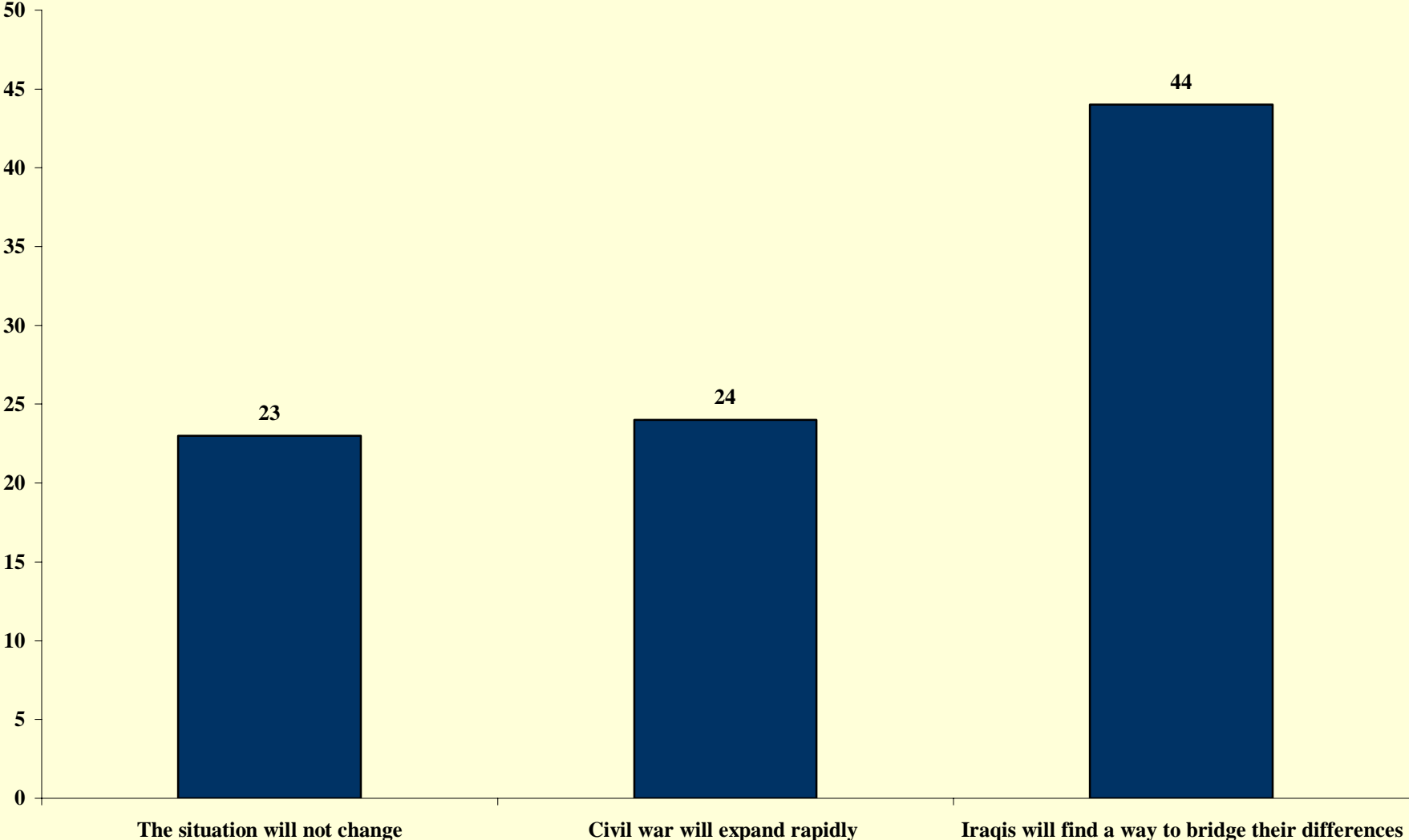
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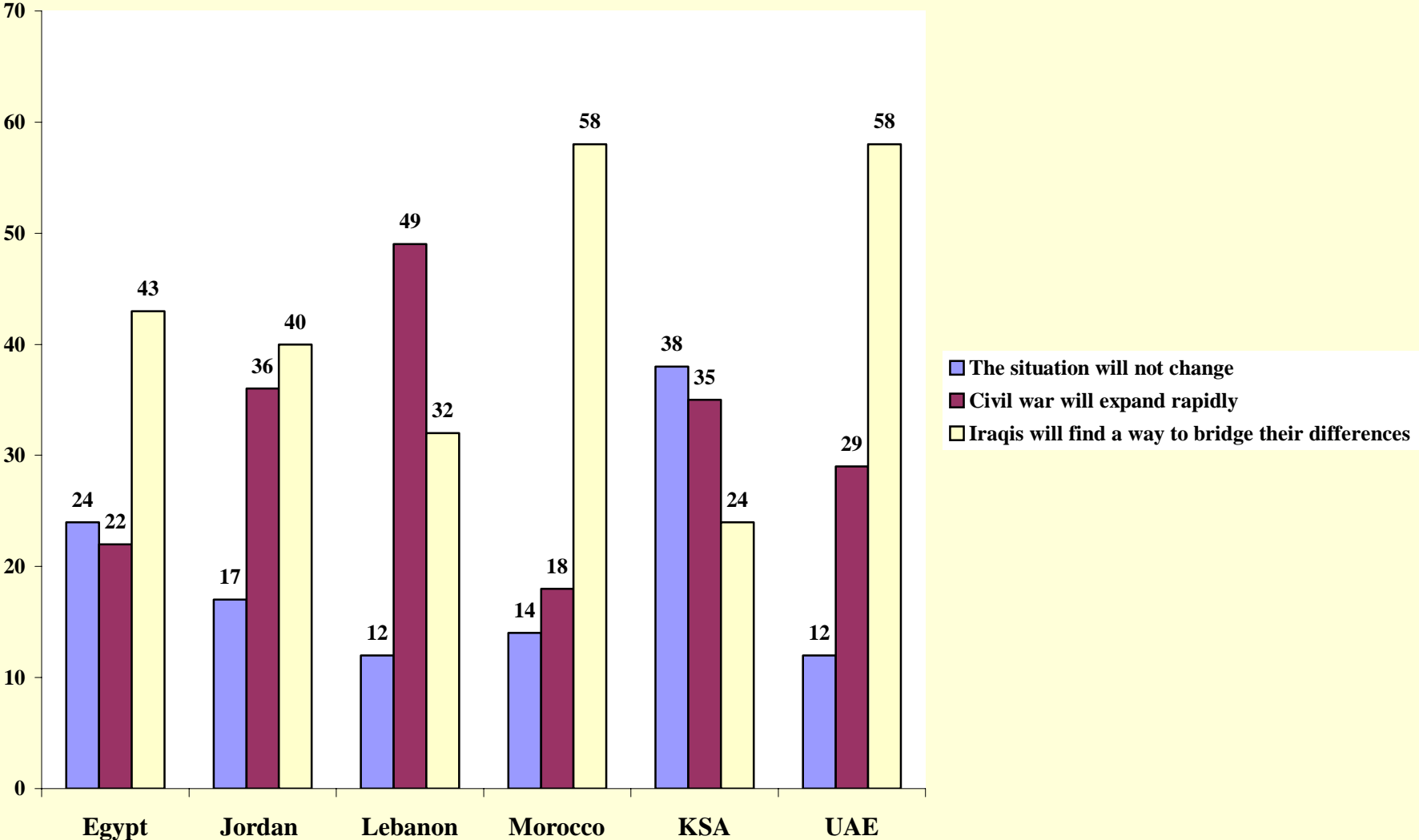
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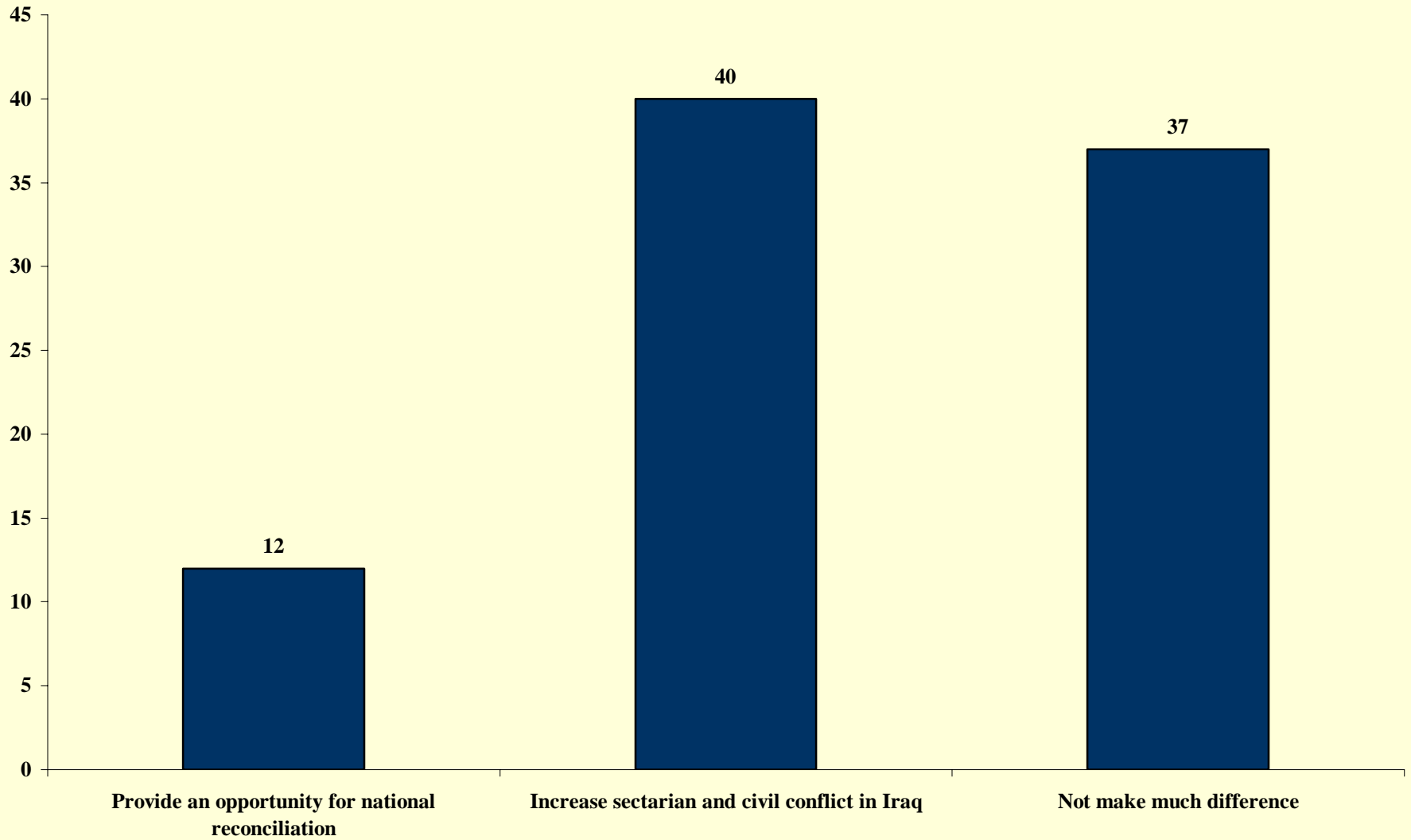
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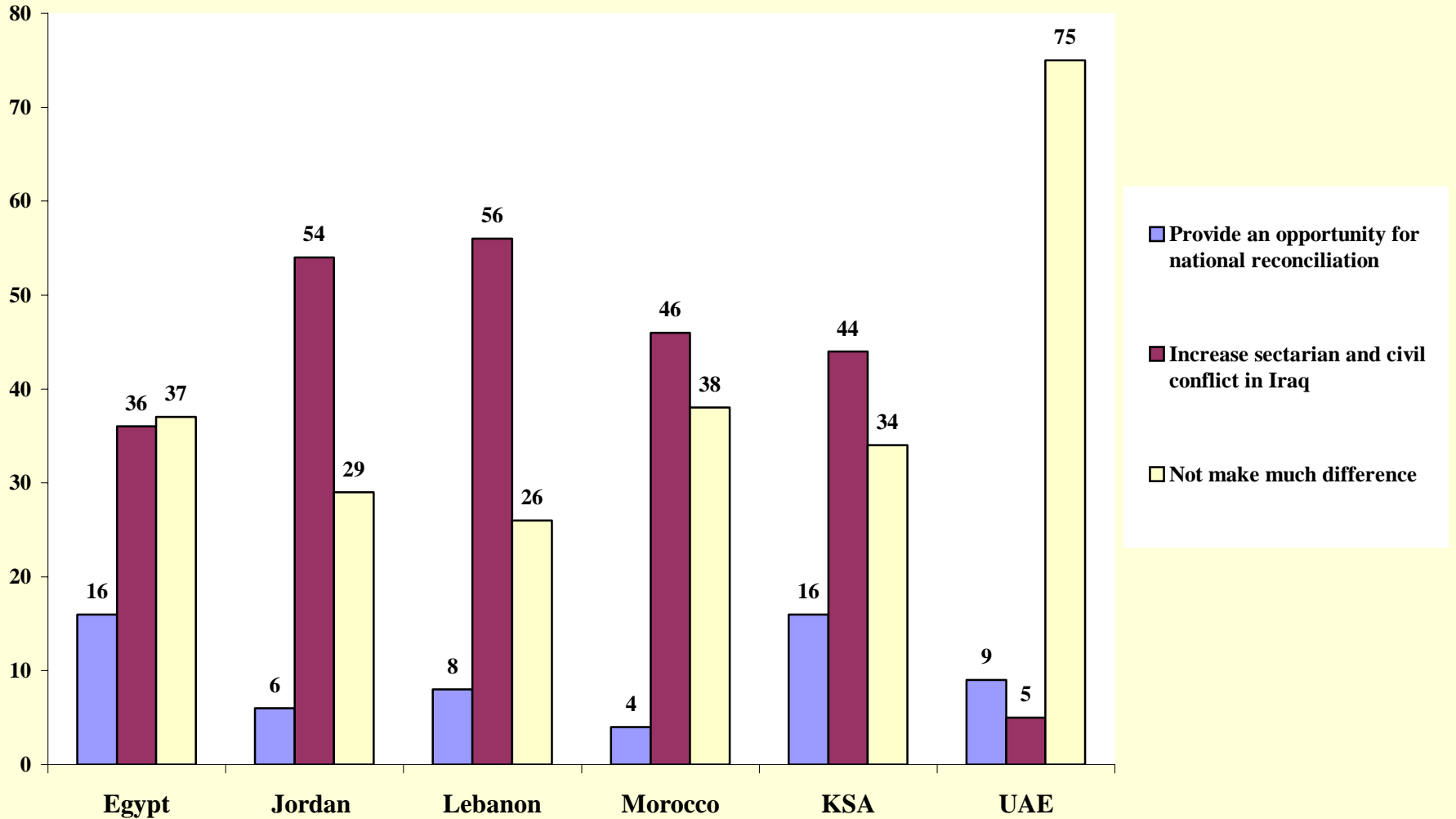
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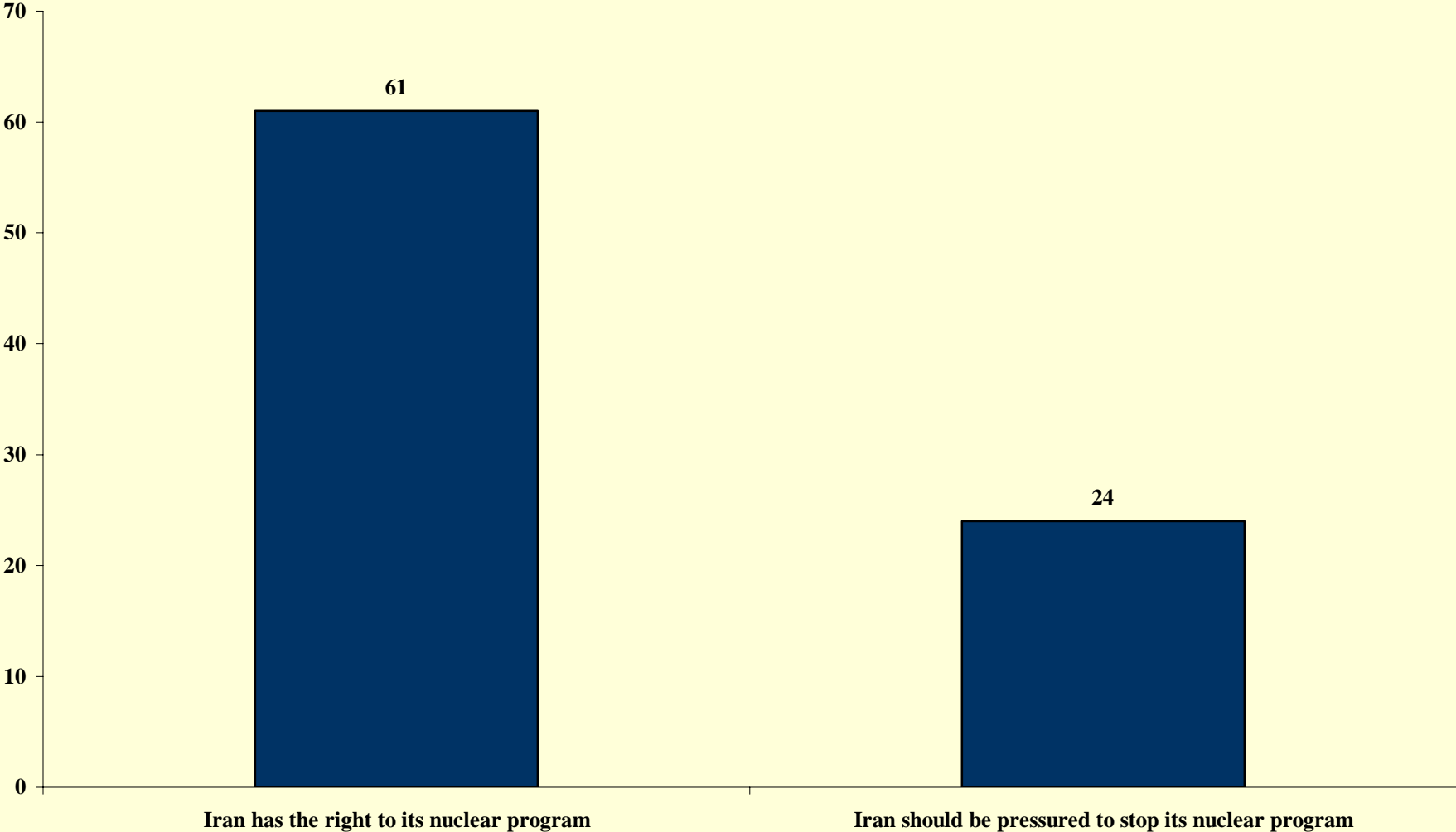


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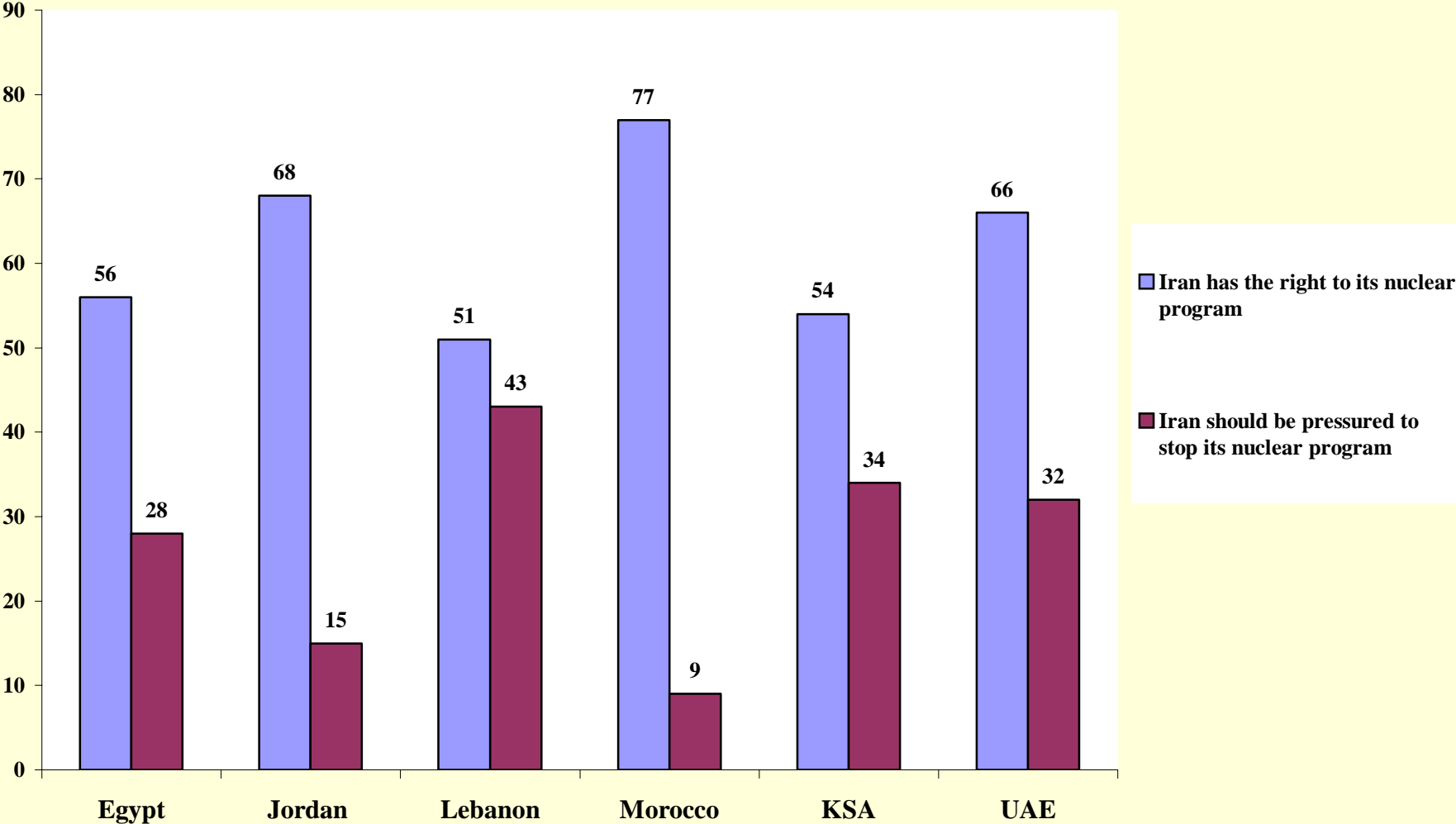


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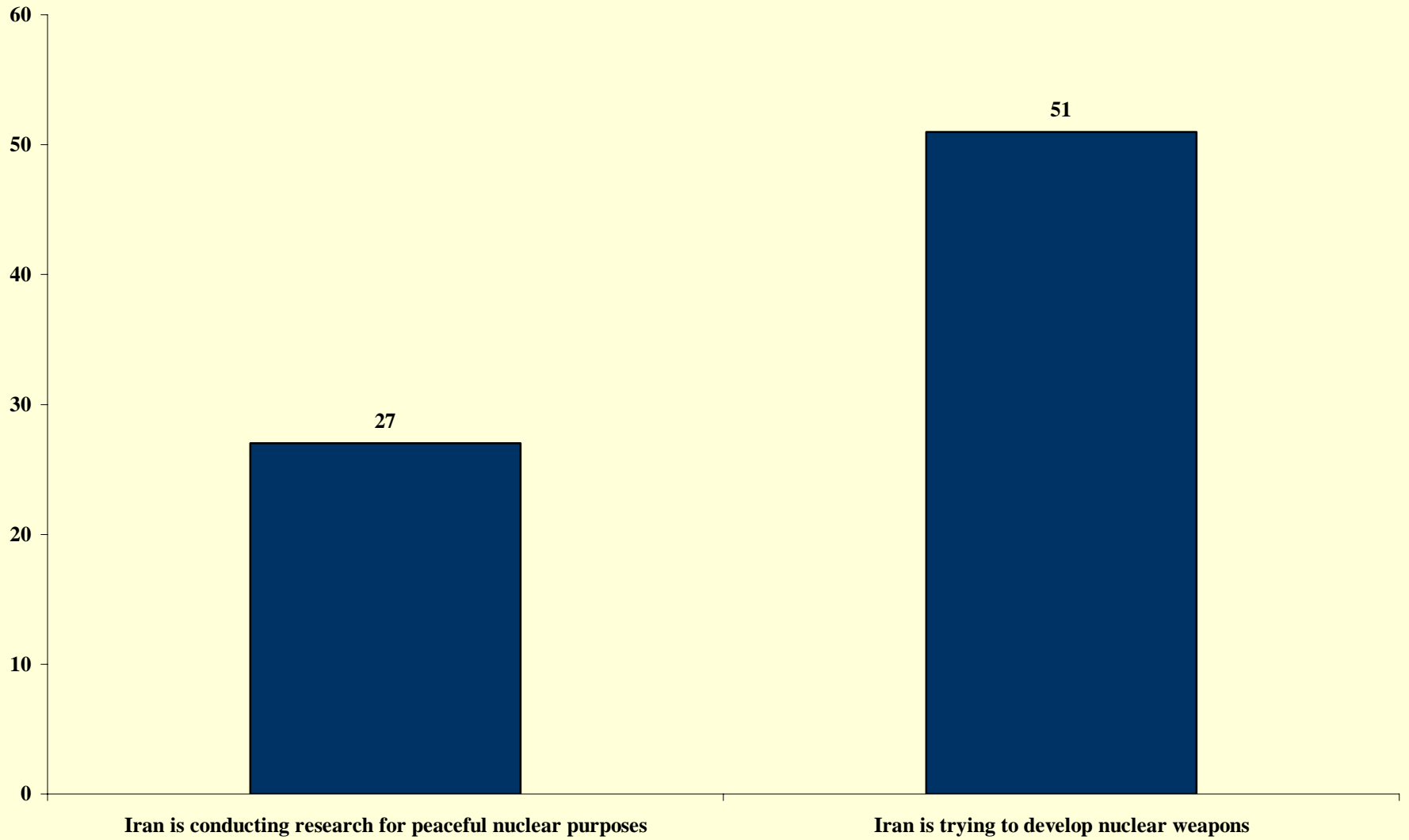
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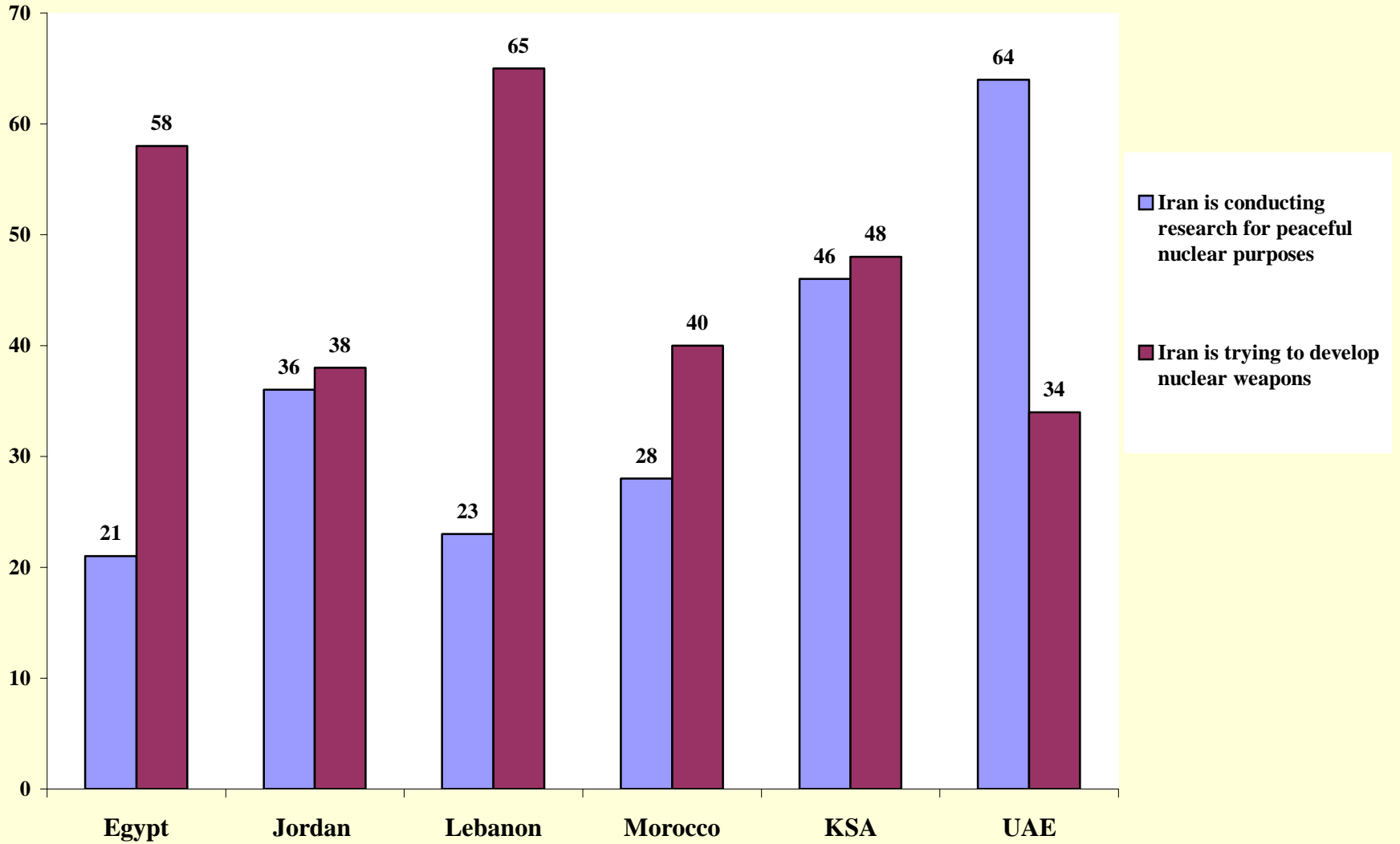
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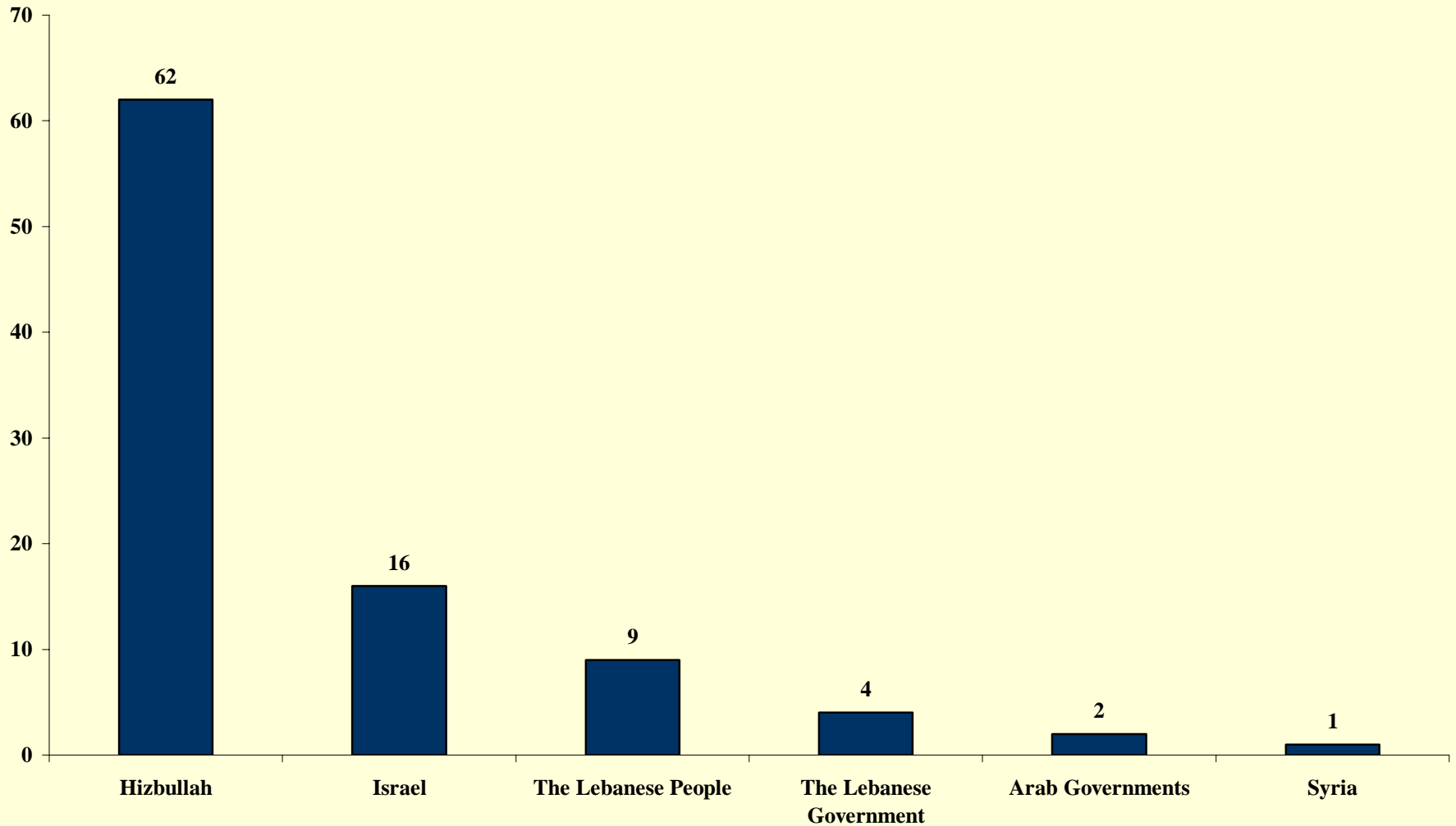


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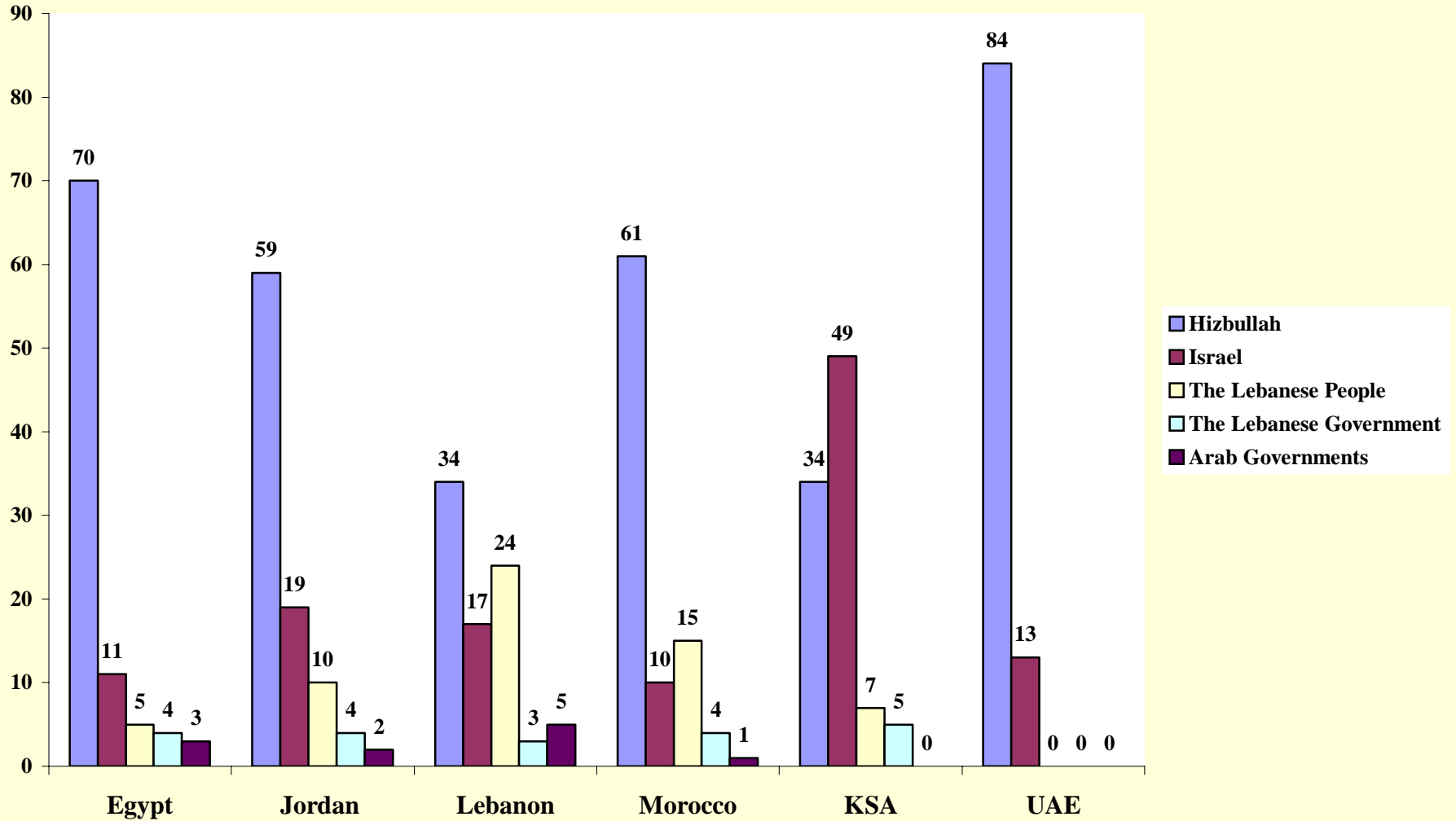


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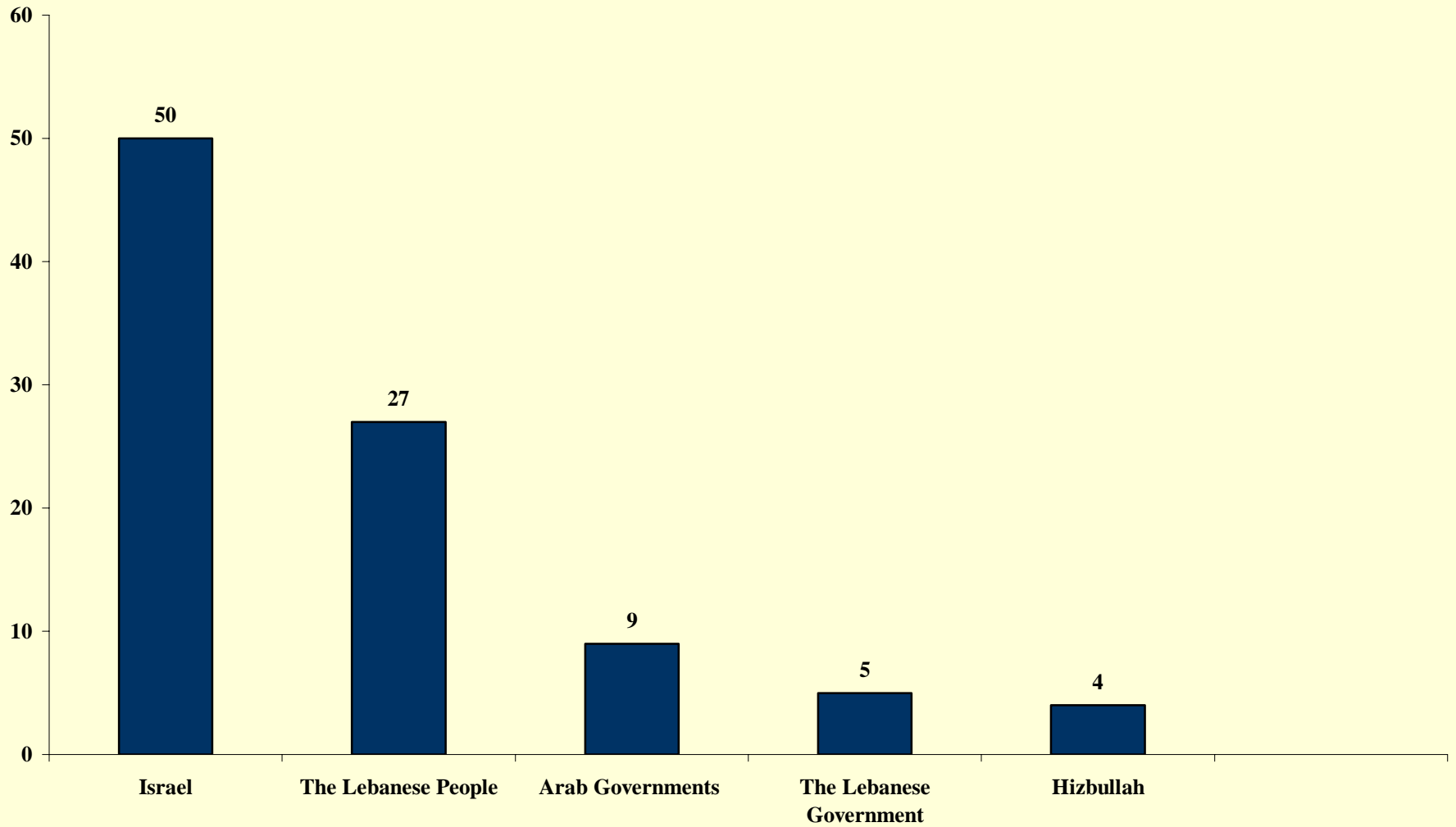
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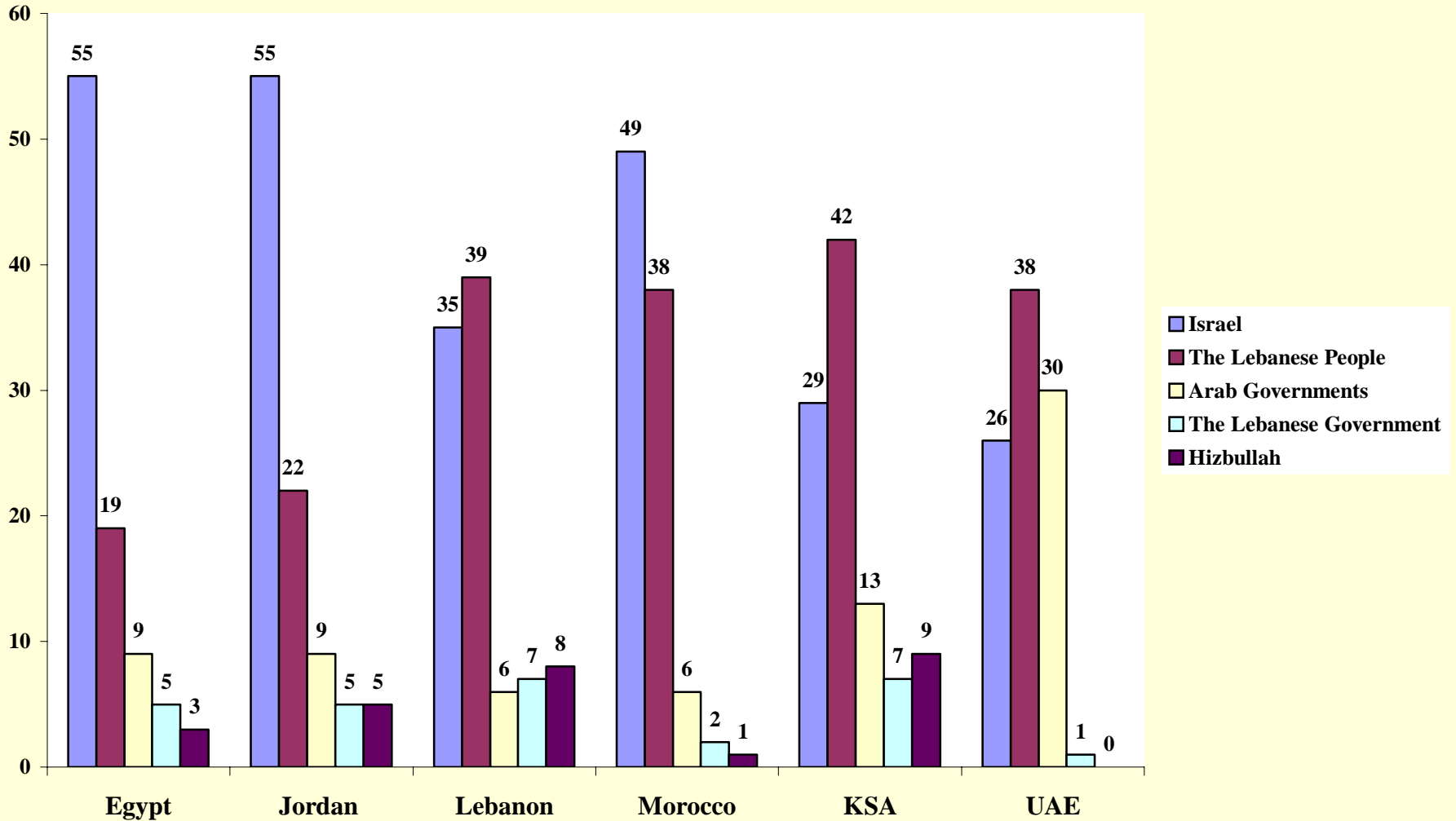
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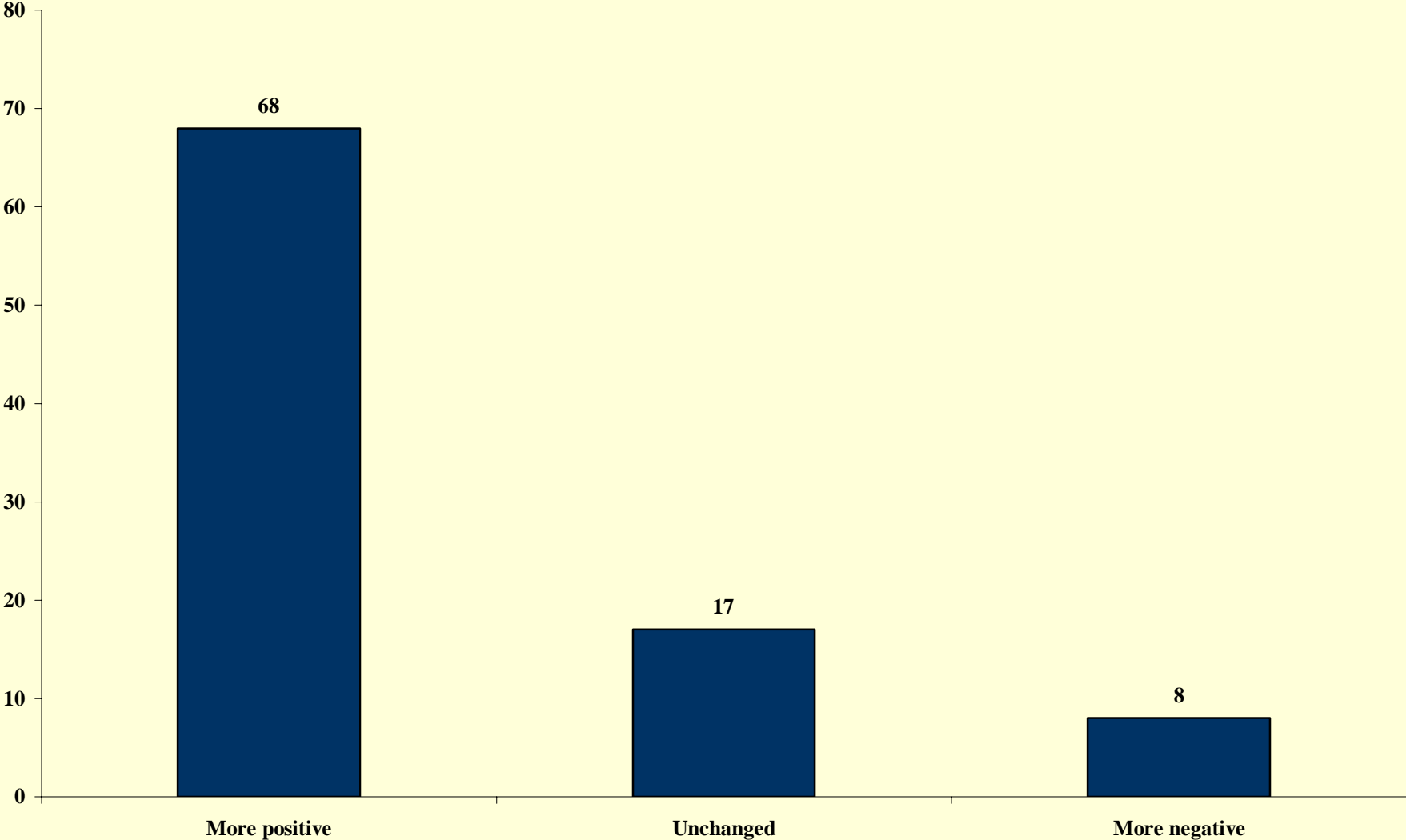
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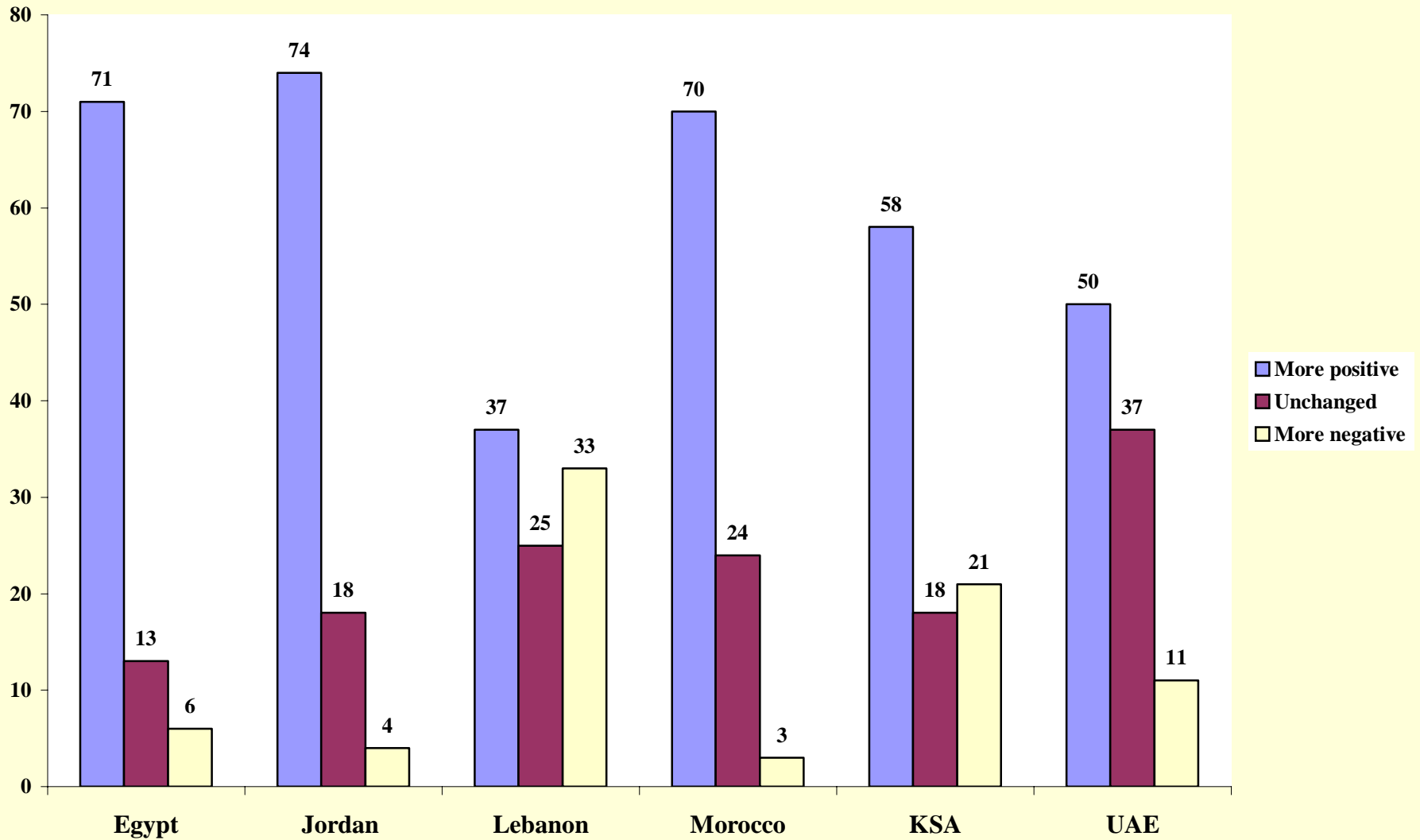
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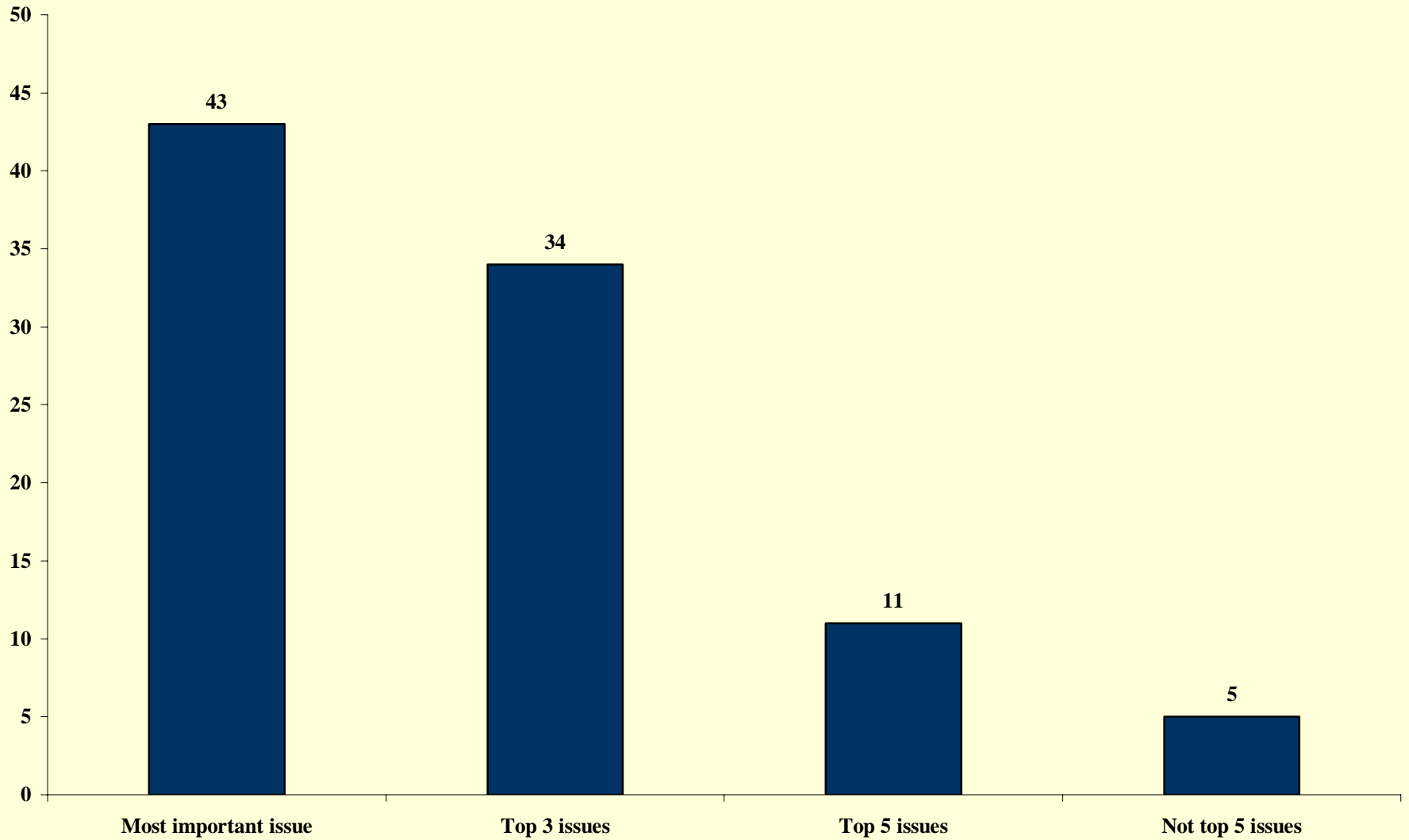


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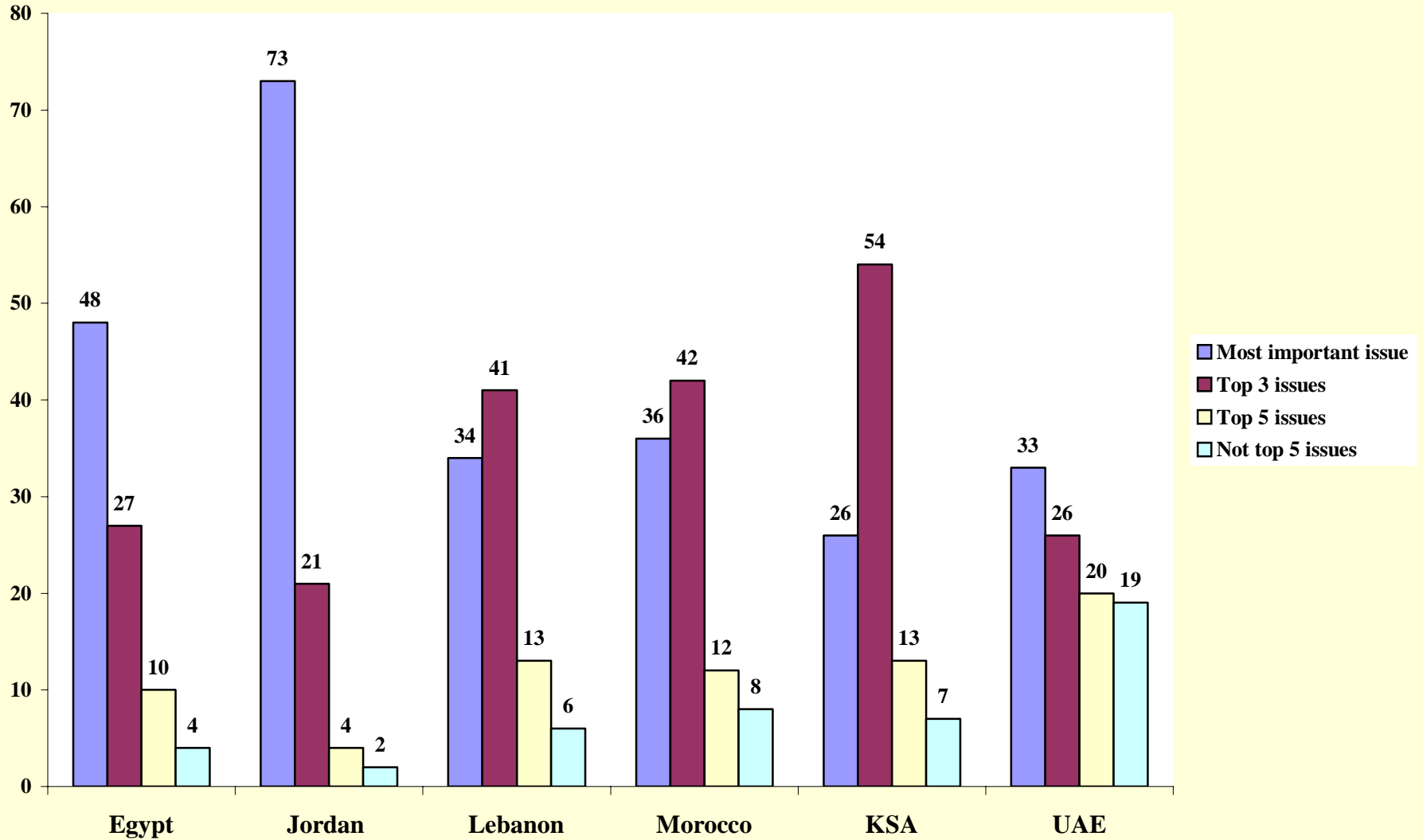


Arab-Israeli Conflict

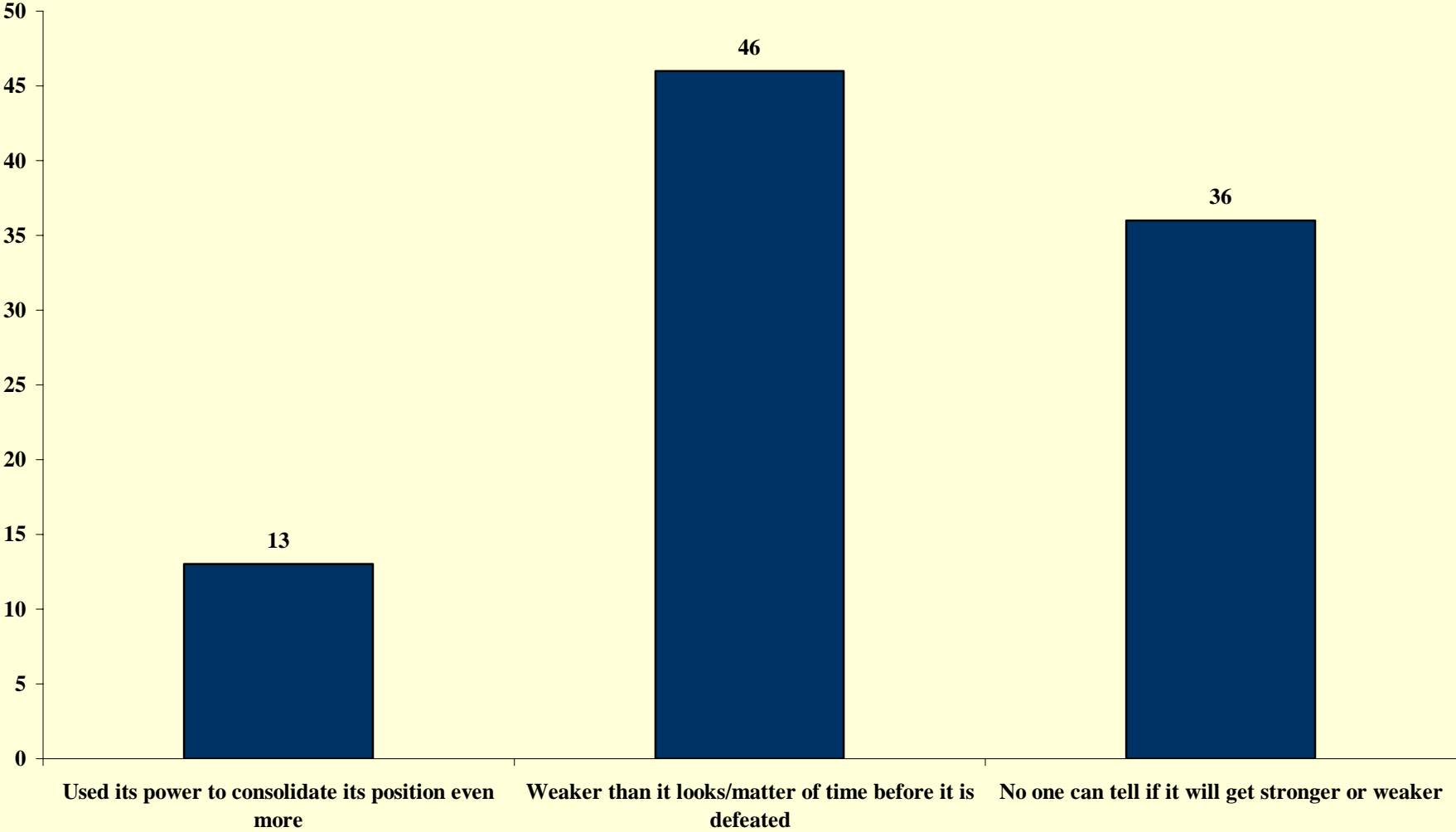
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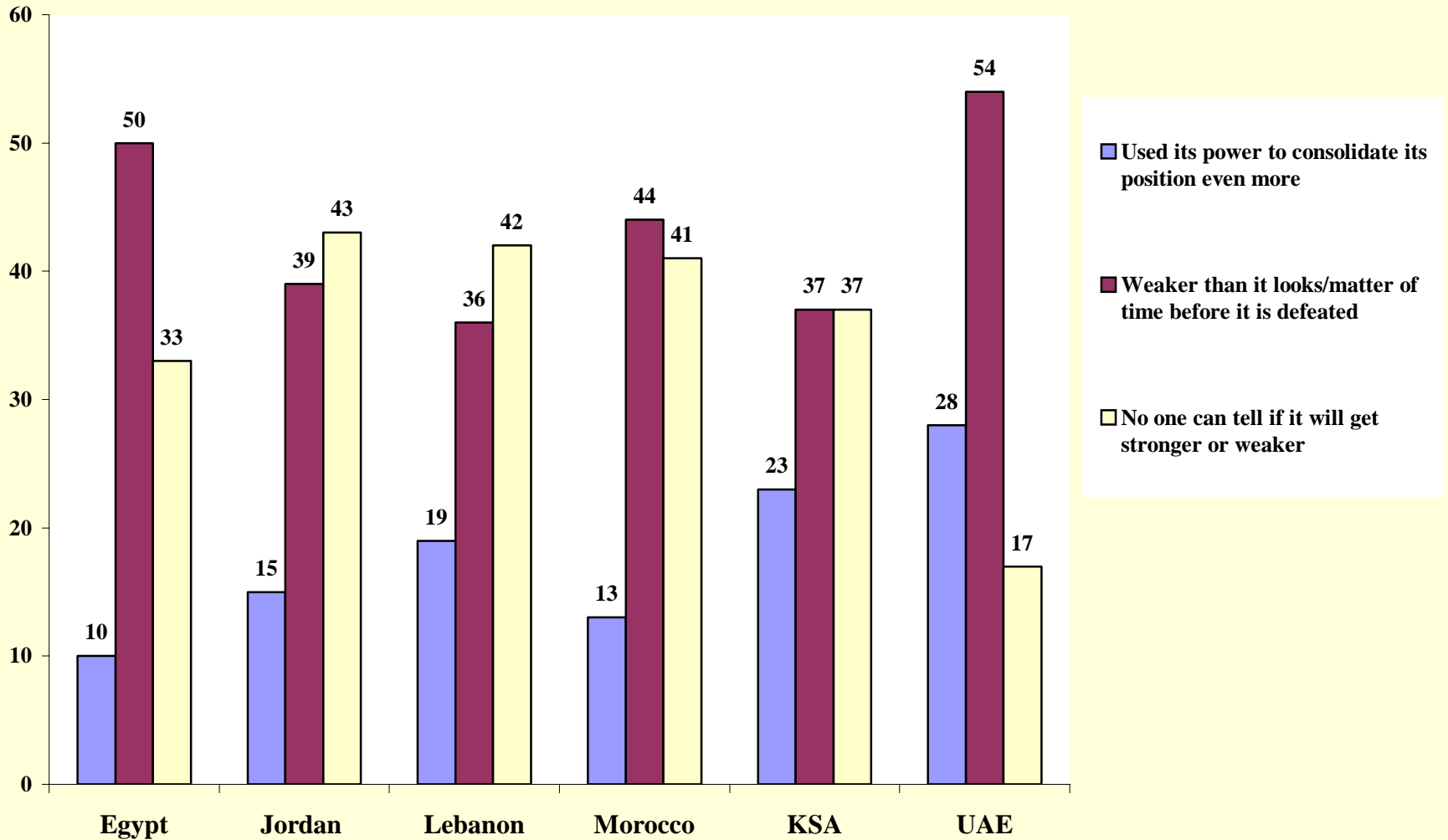
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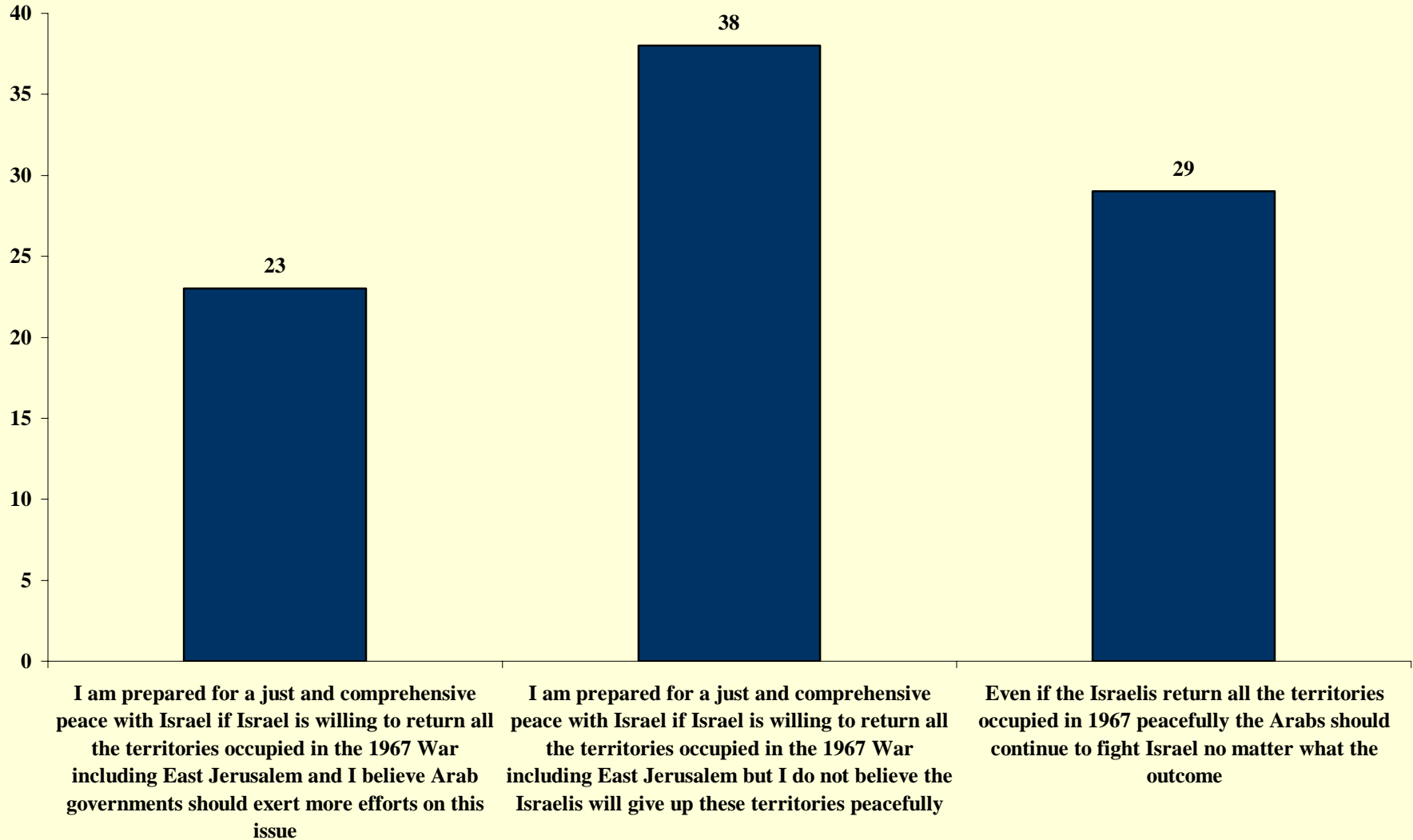
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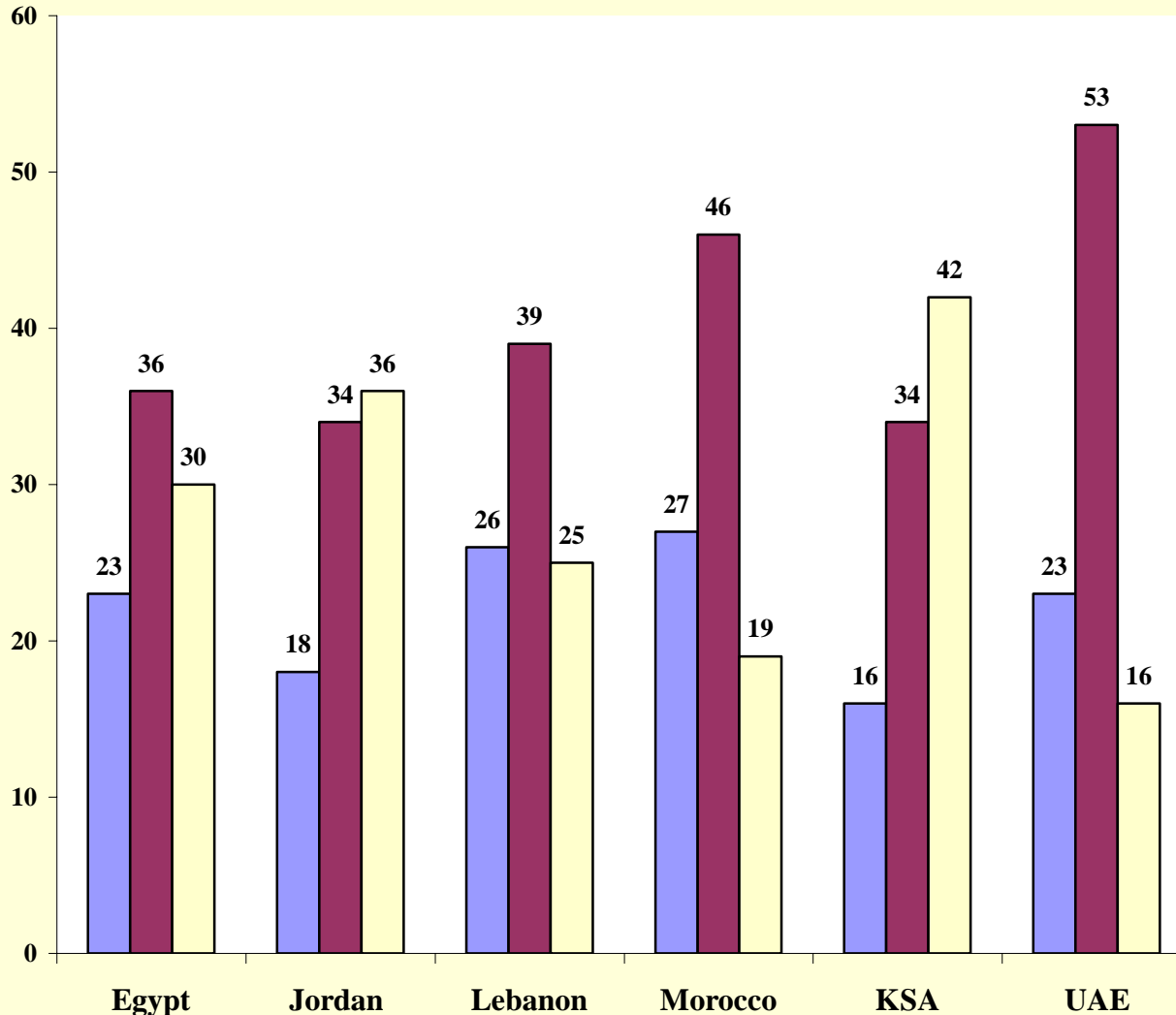
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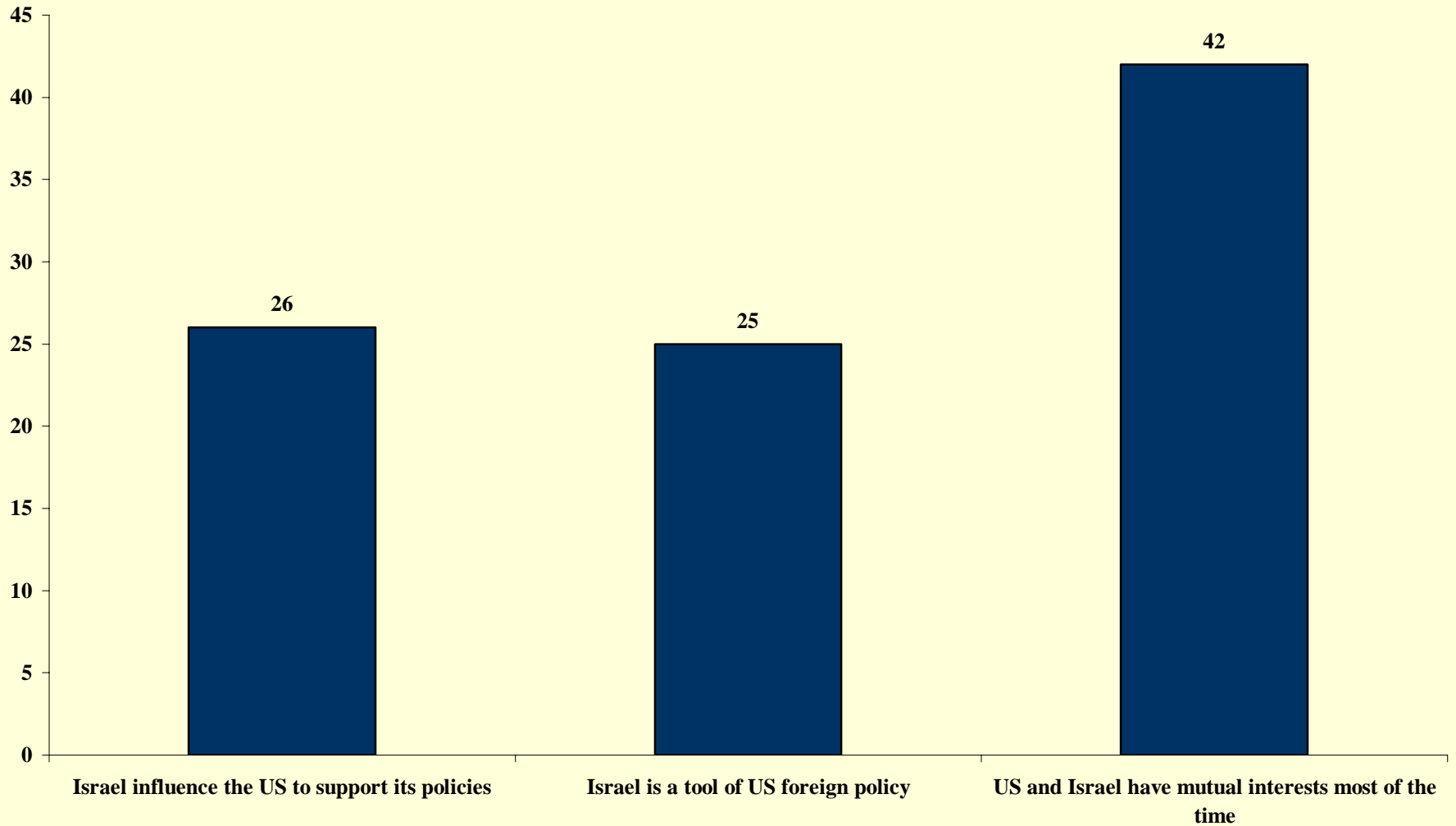


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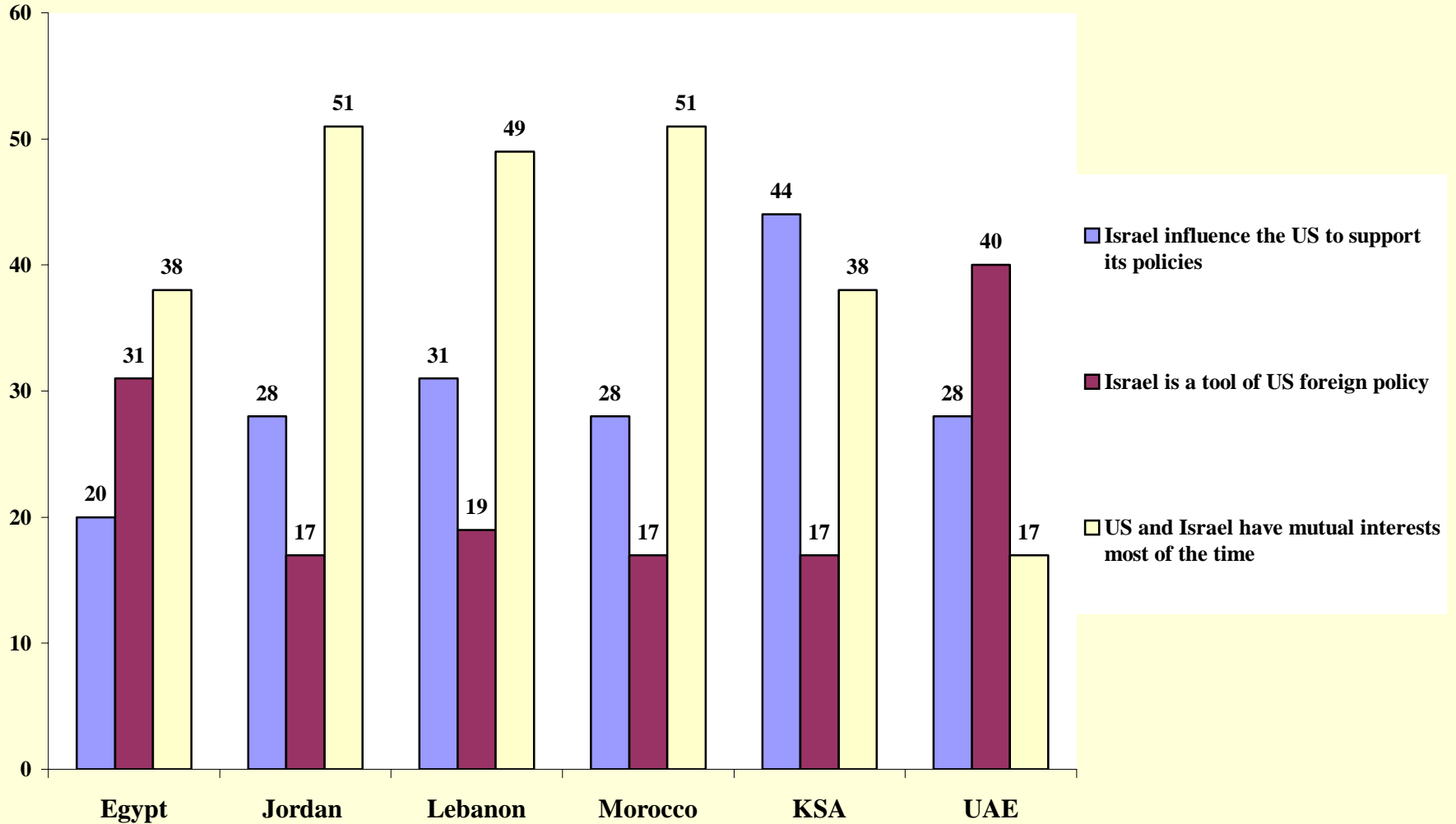
I am prepared for a just and comprehensive peace with Israel if Israel is willing to return all the territories occupied in the 1967 War including East Jerusalem but I do not believe the Israelis will give up these territories peacefully

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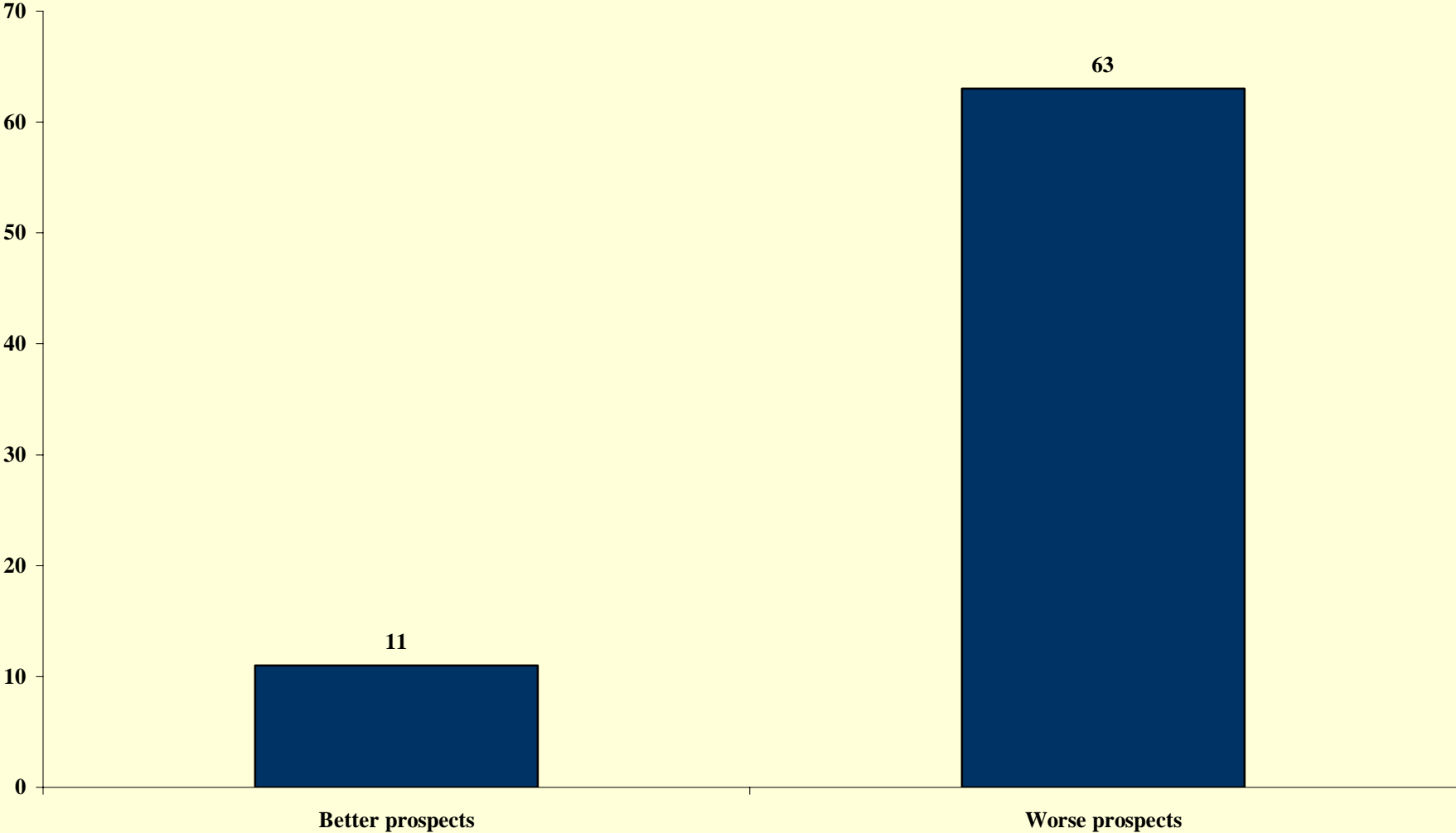
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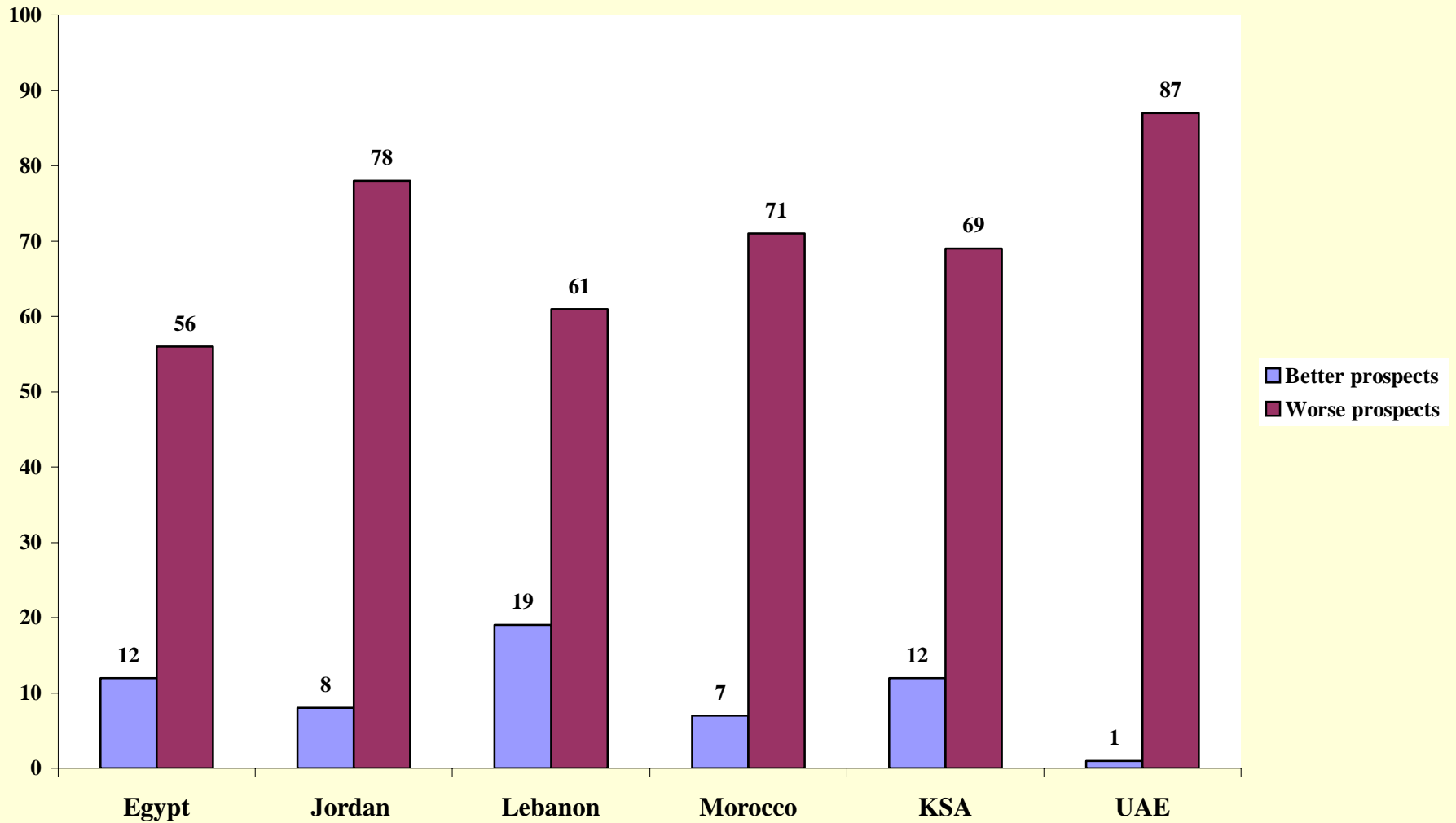
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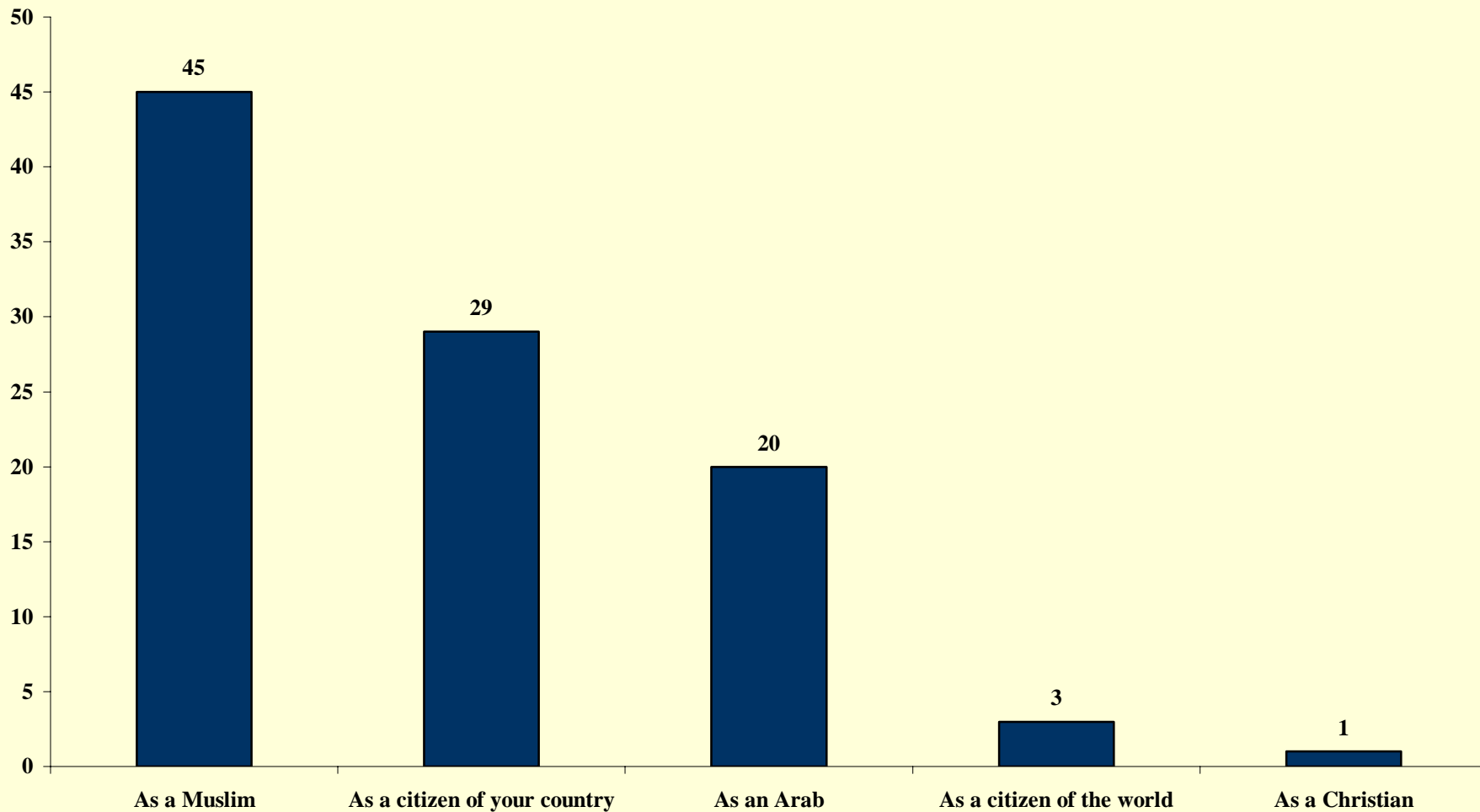


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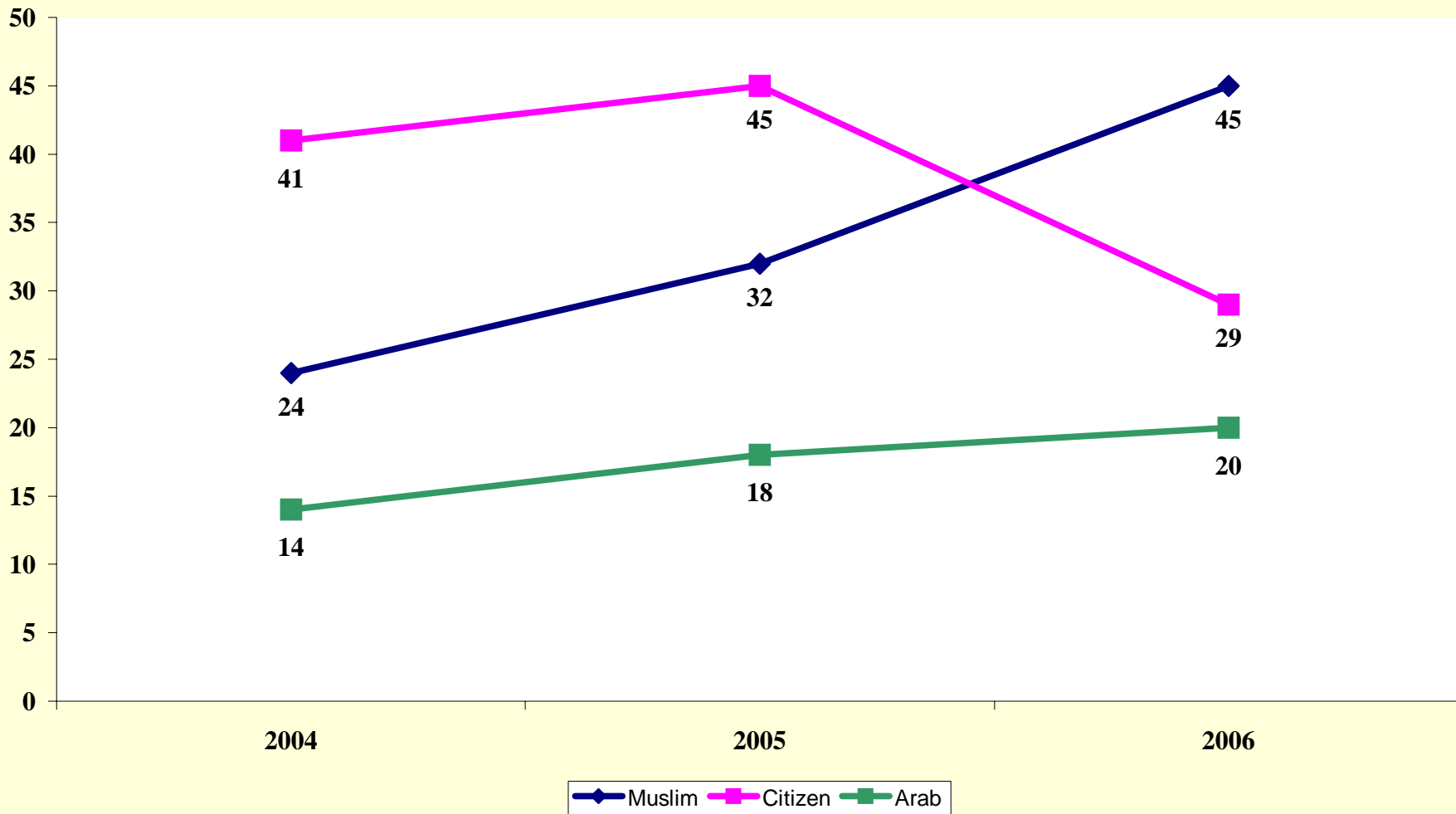


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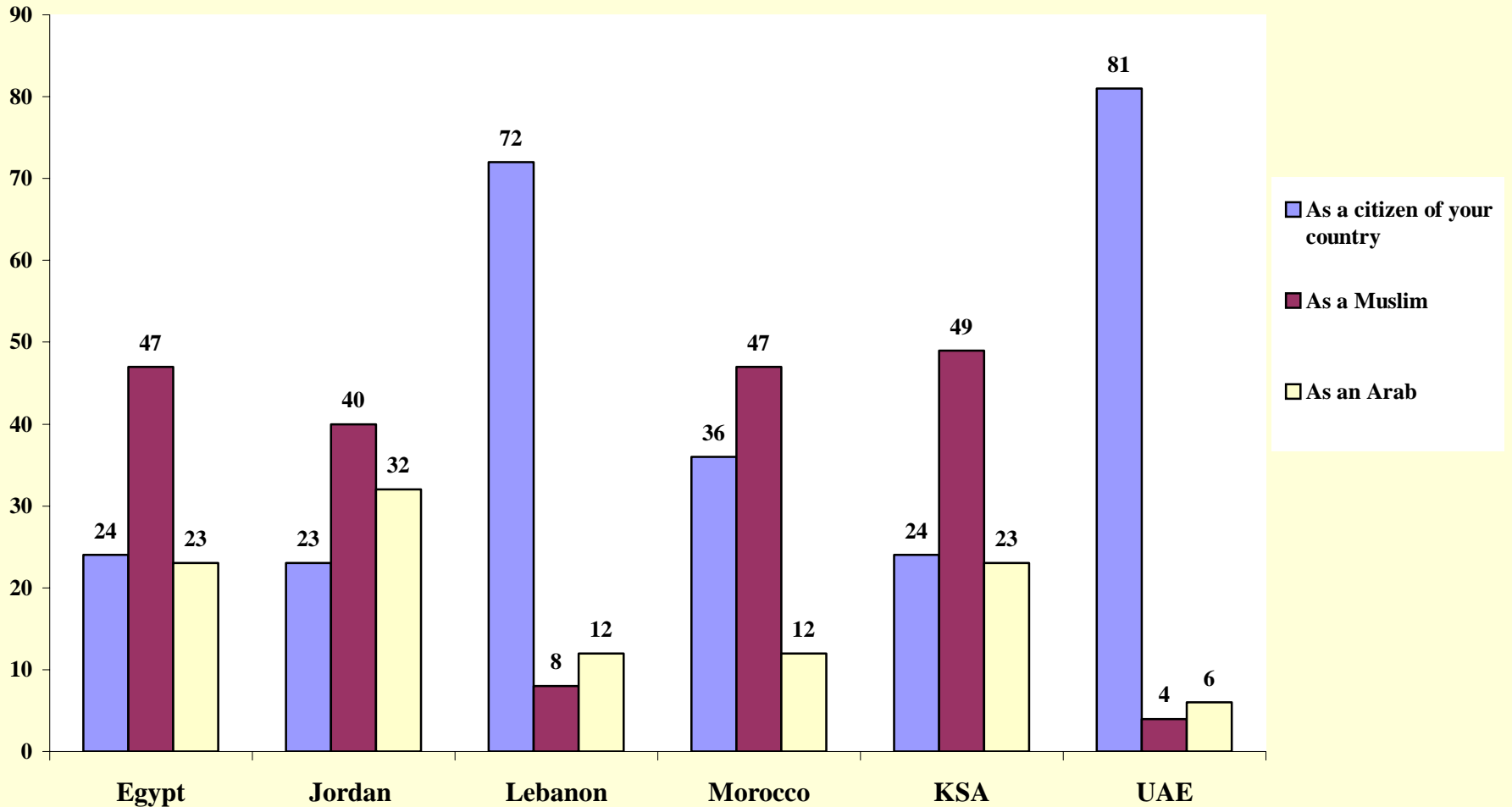
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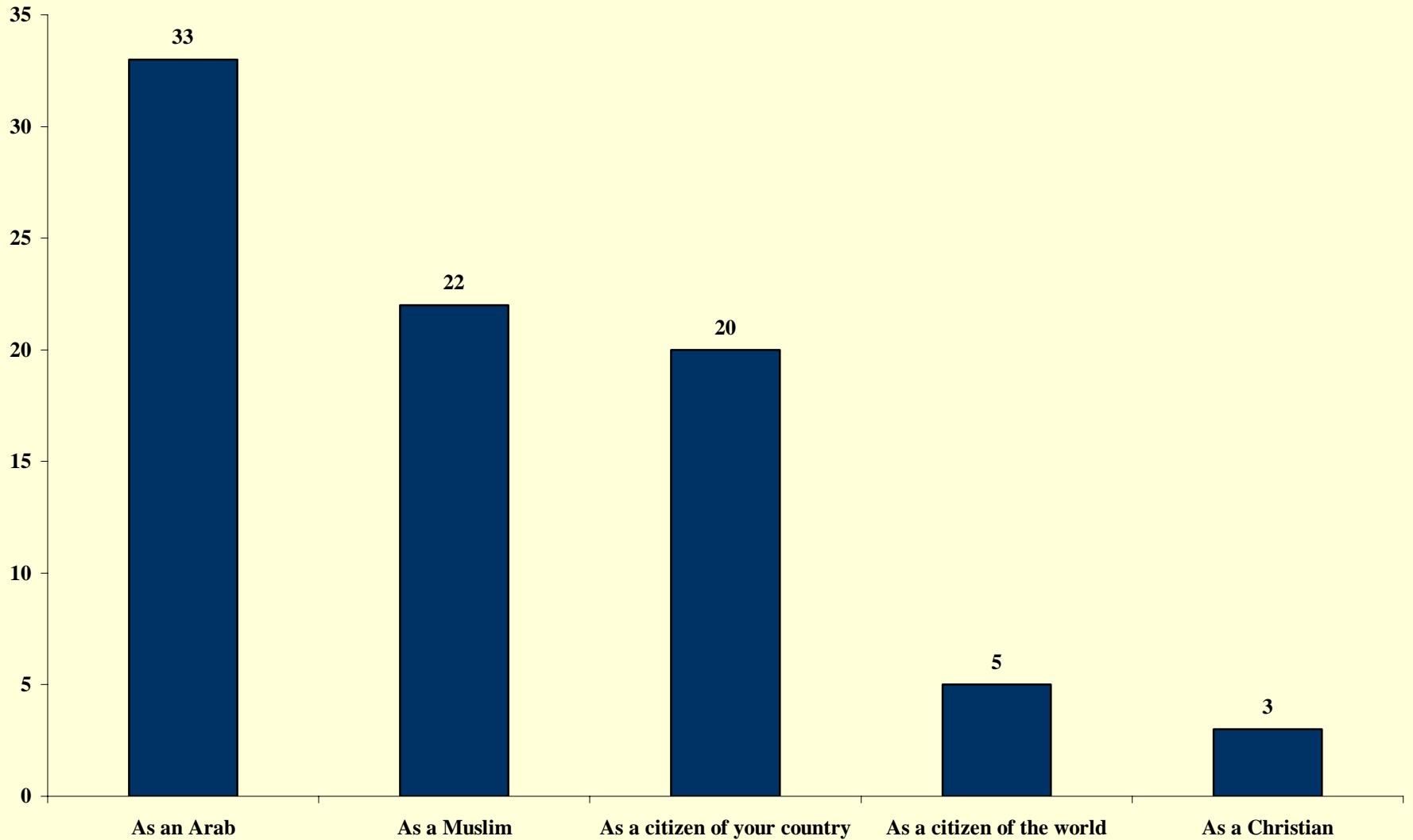
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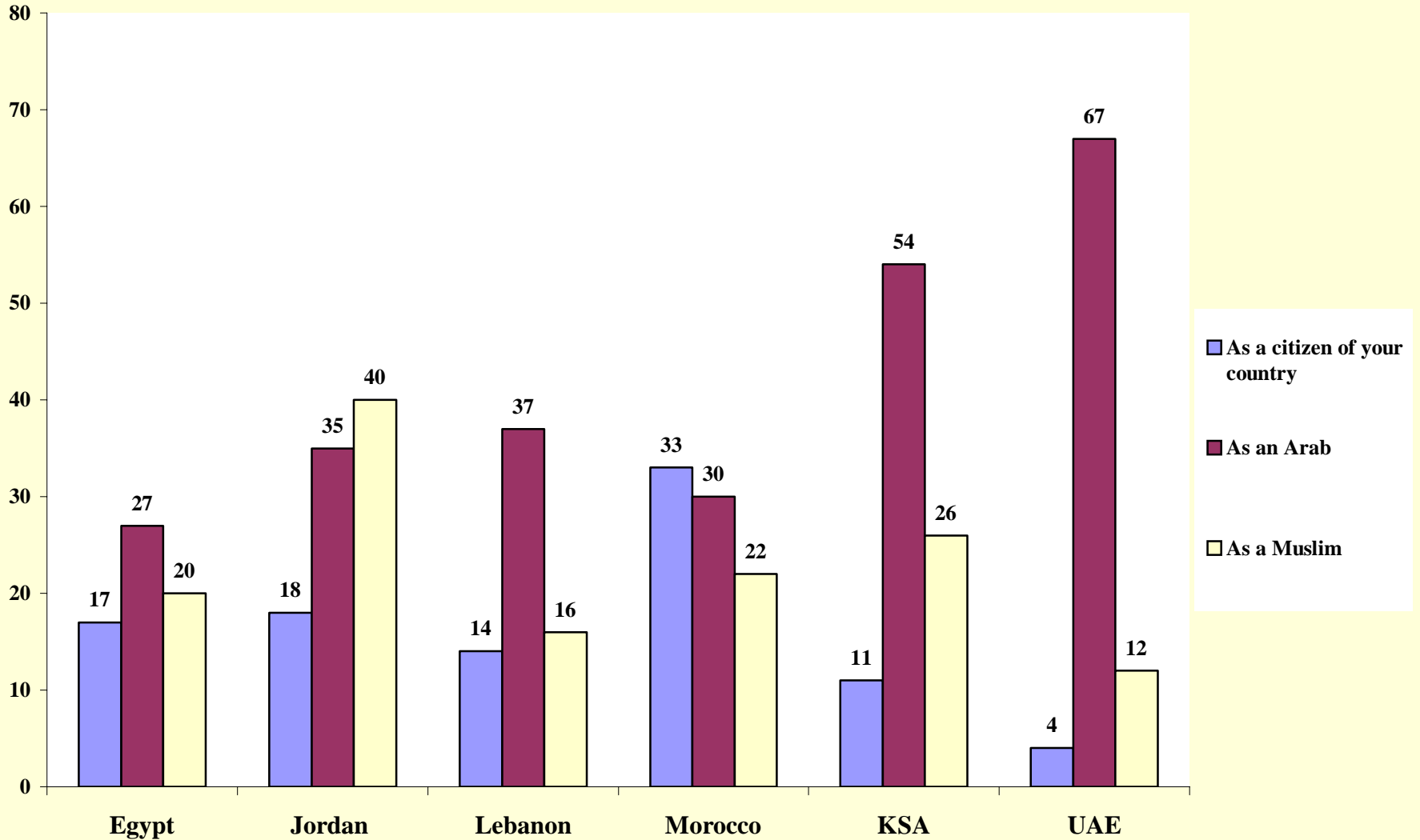
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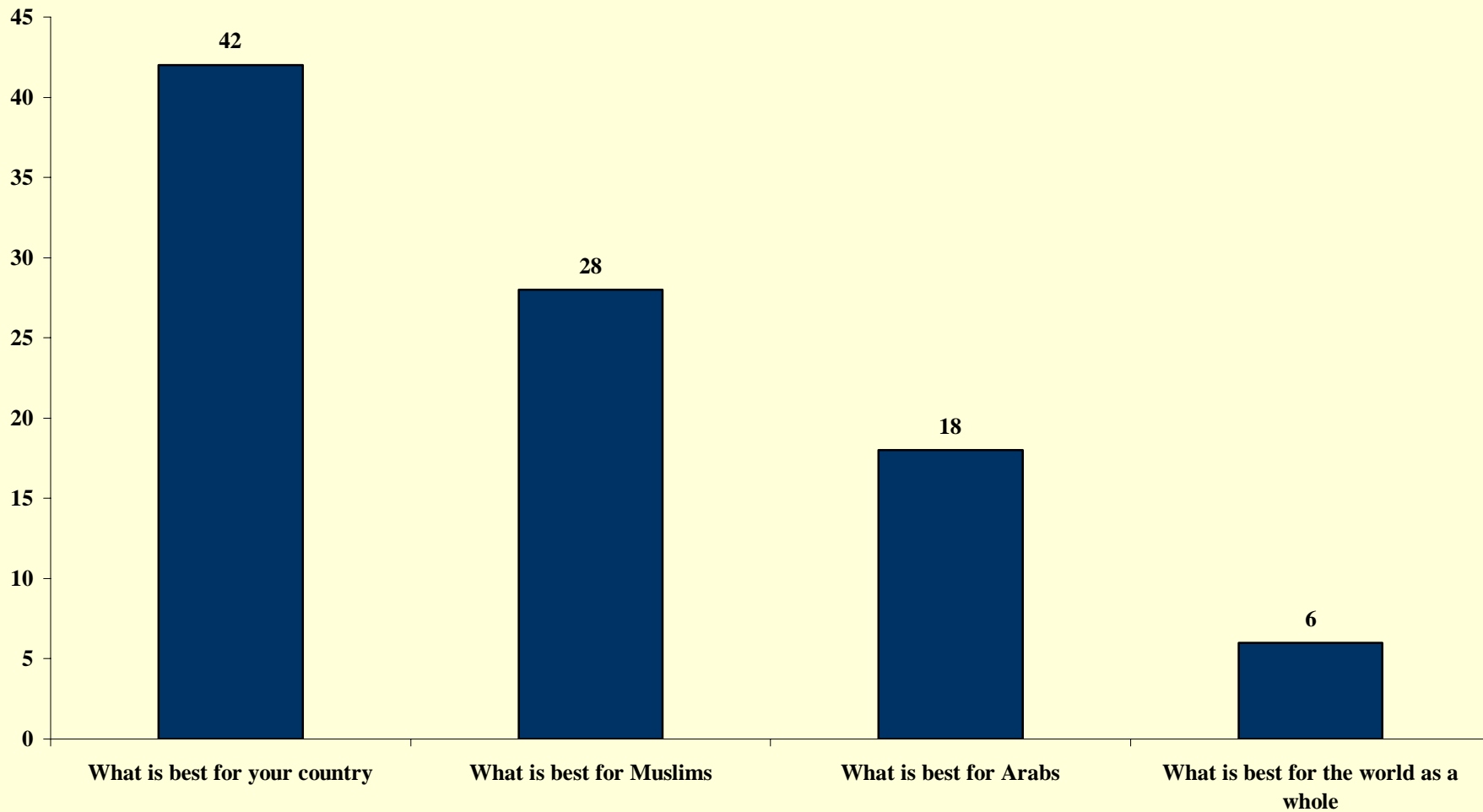
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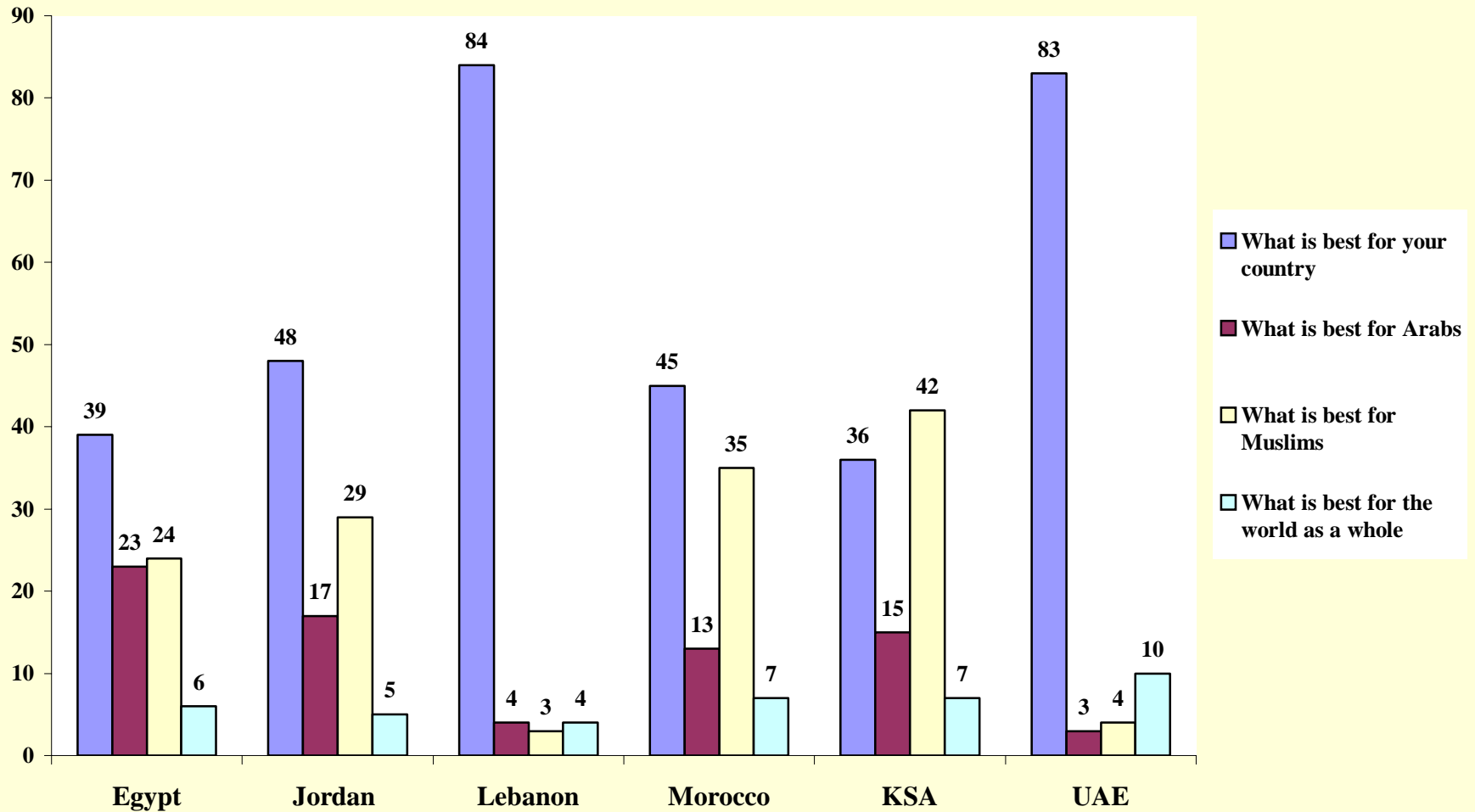
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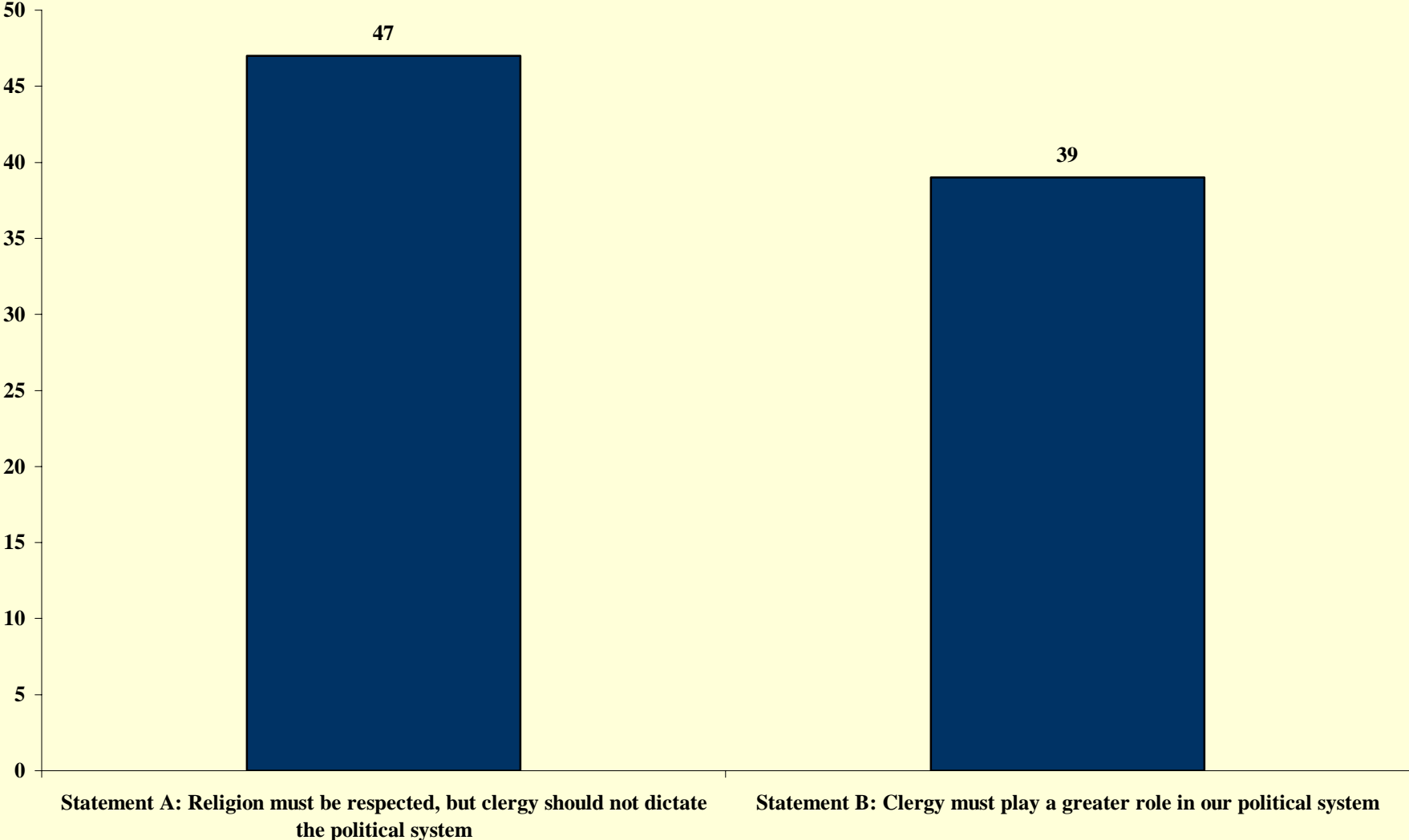


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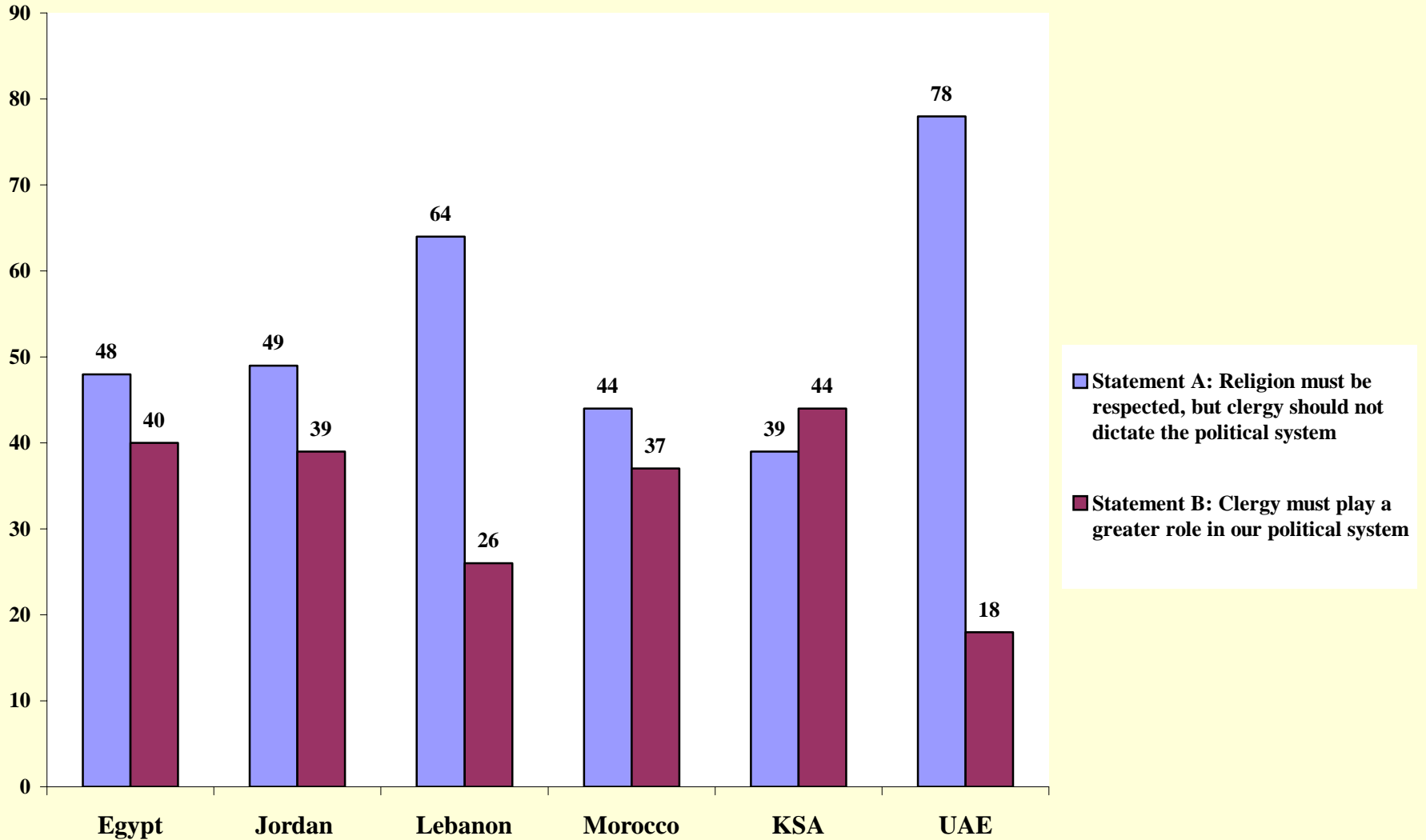


Social and Regional Issues

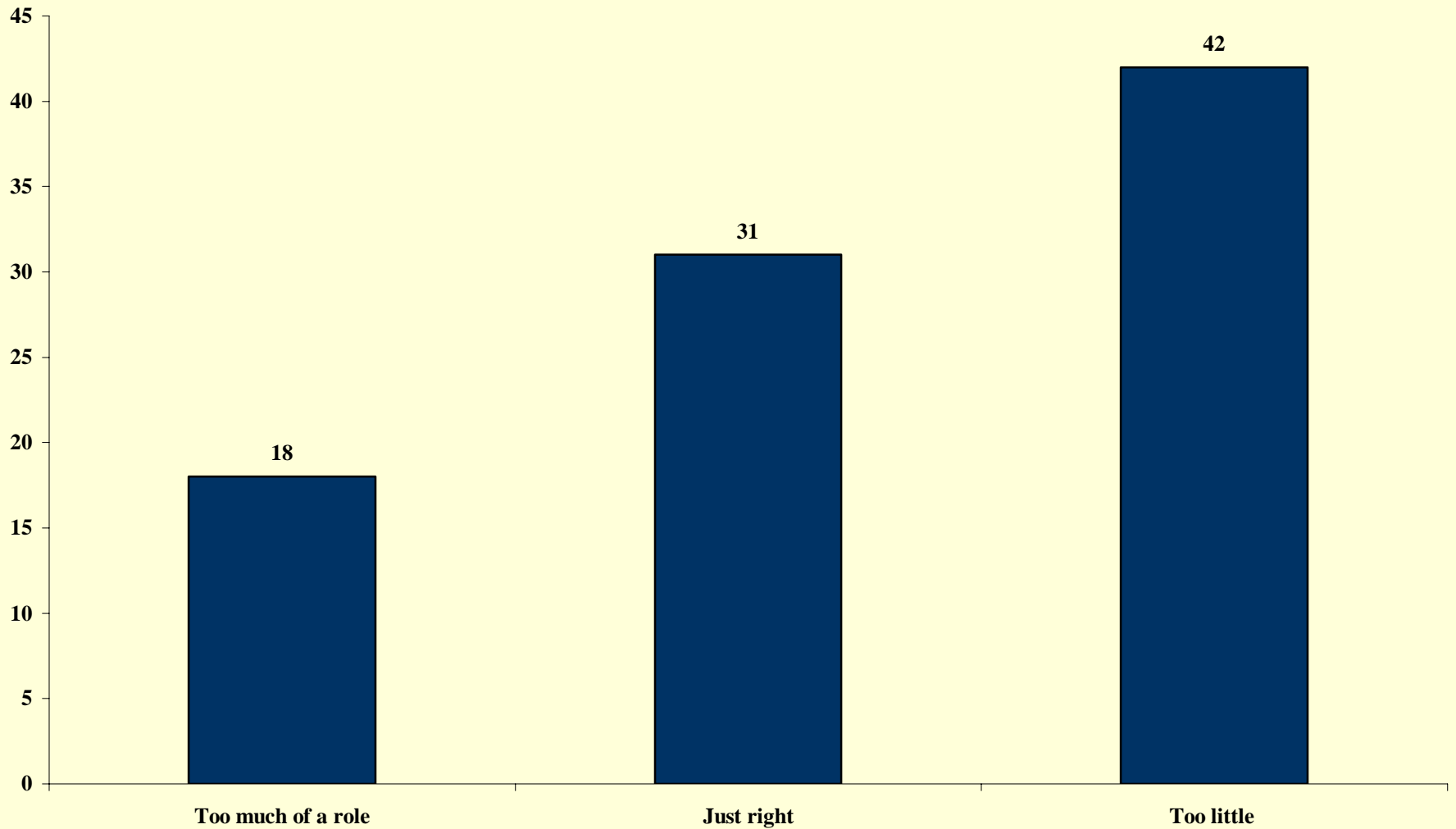
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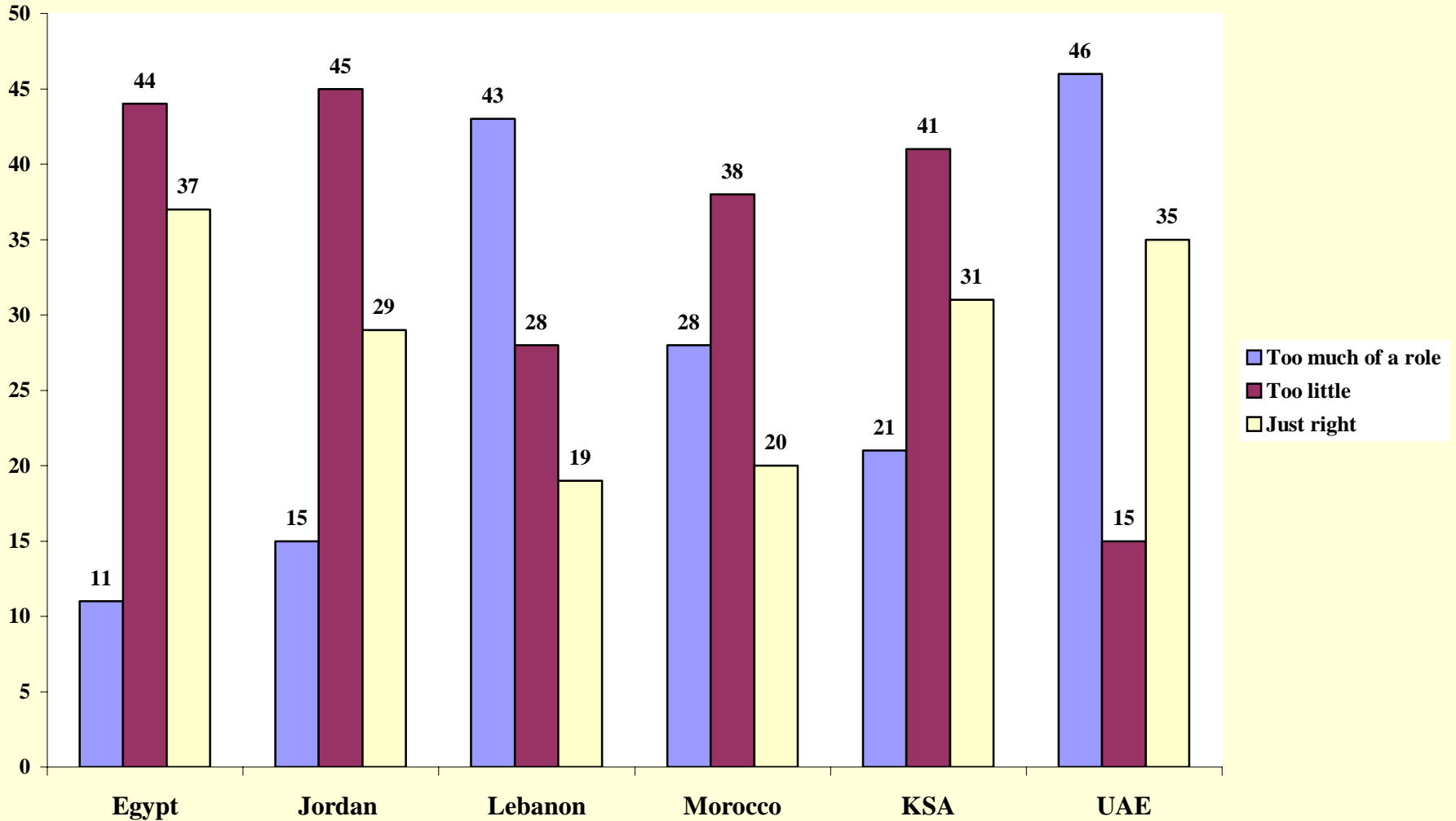
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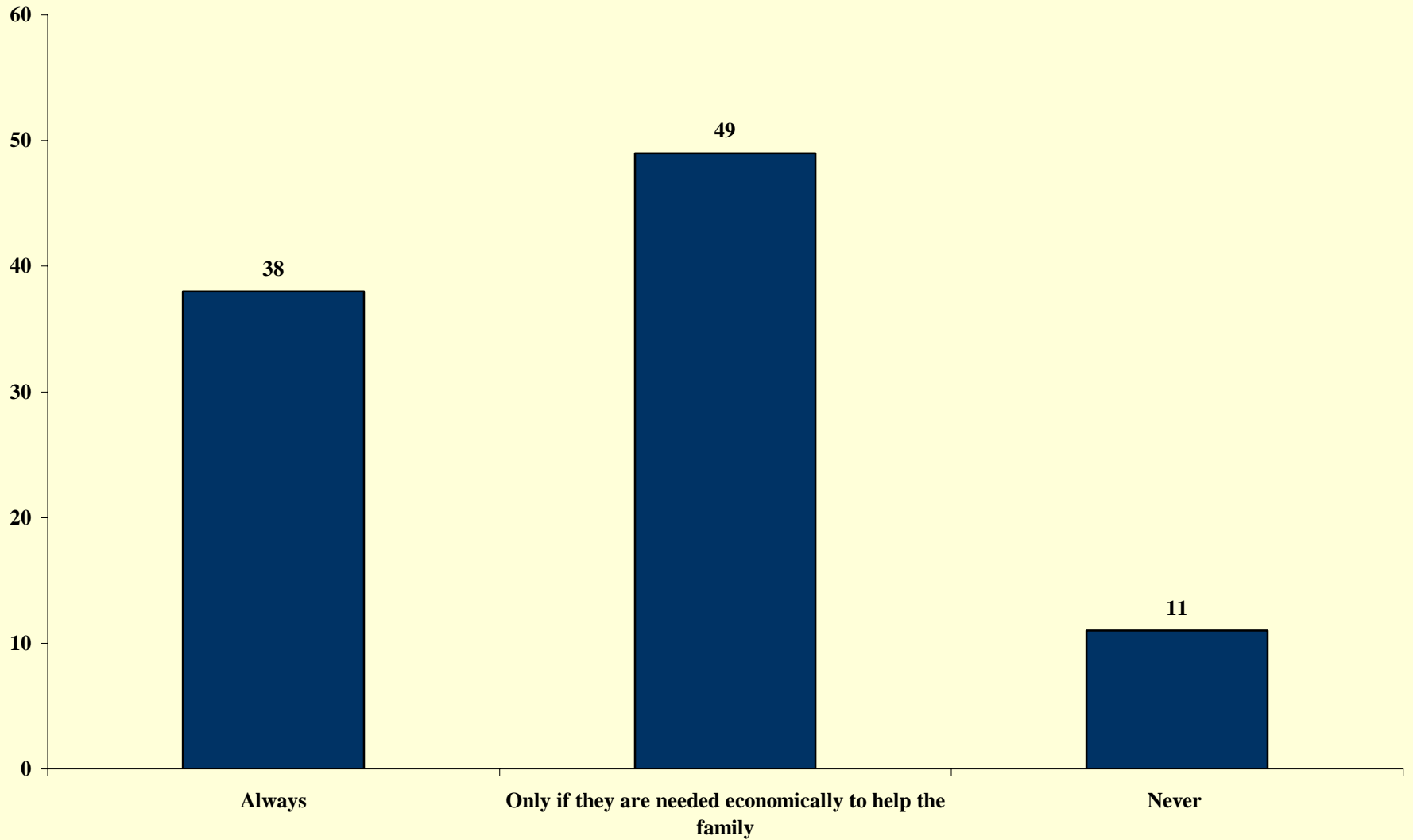
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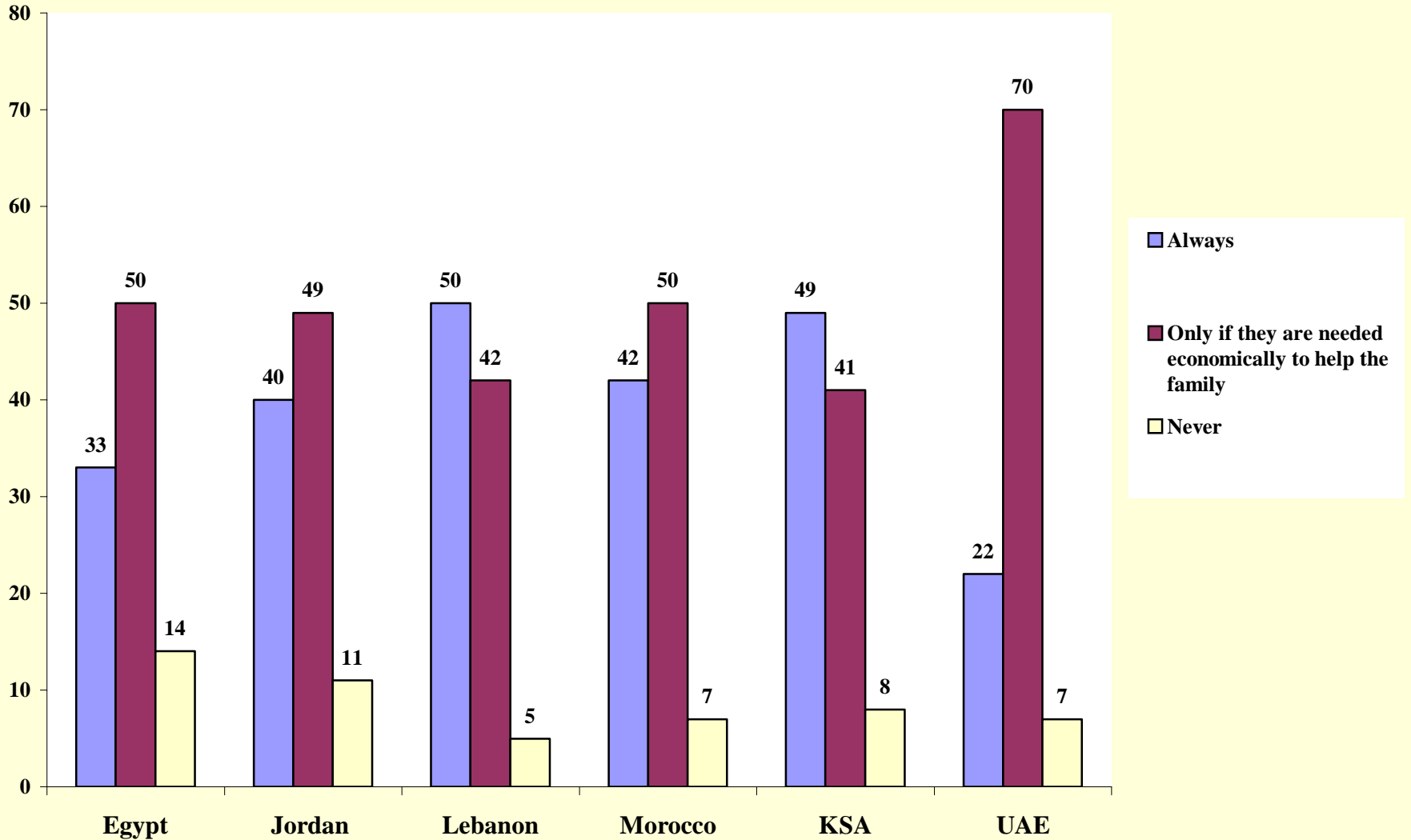
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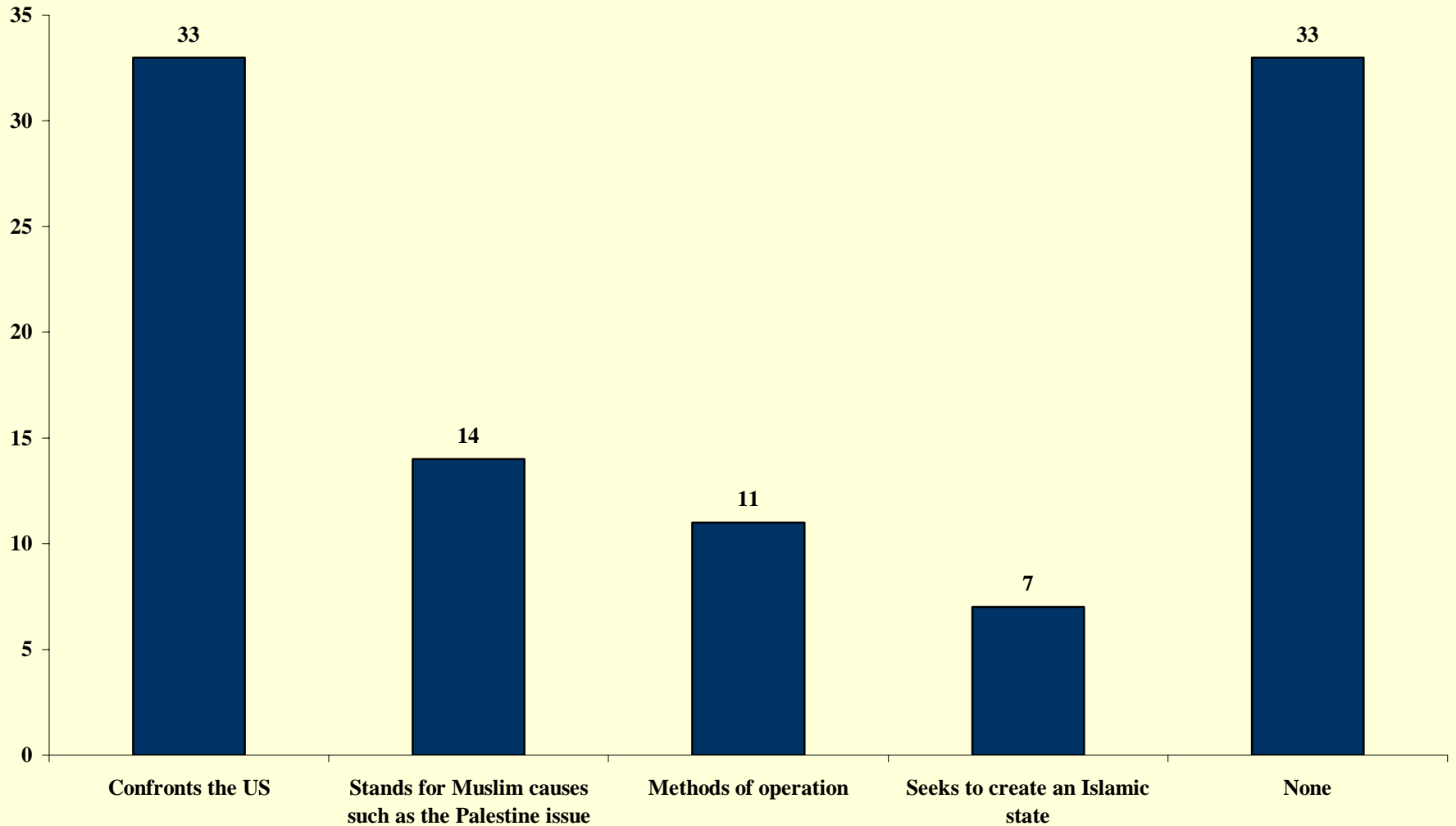
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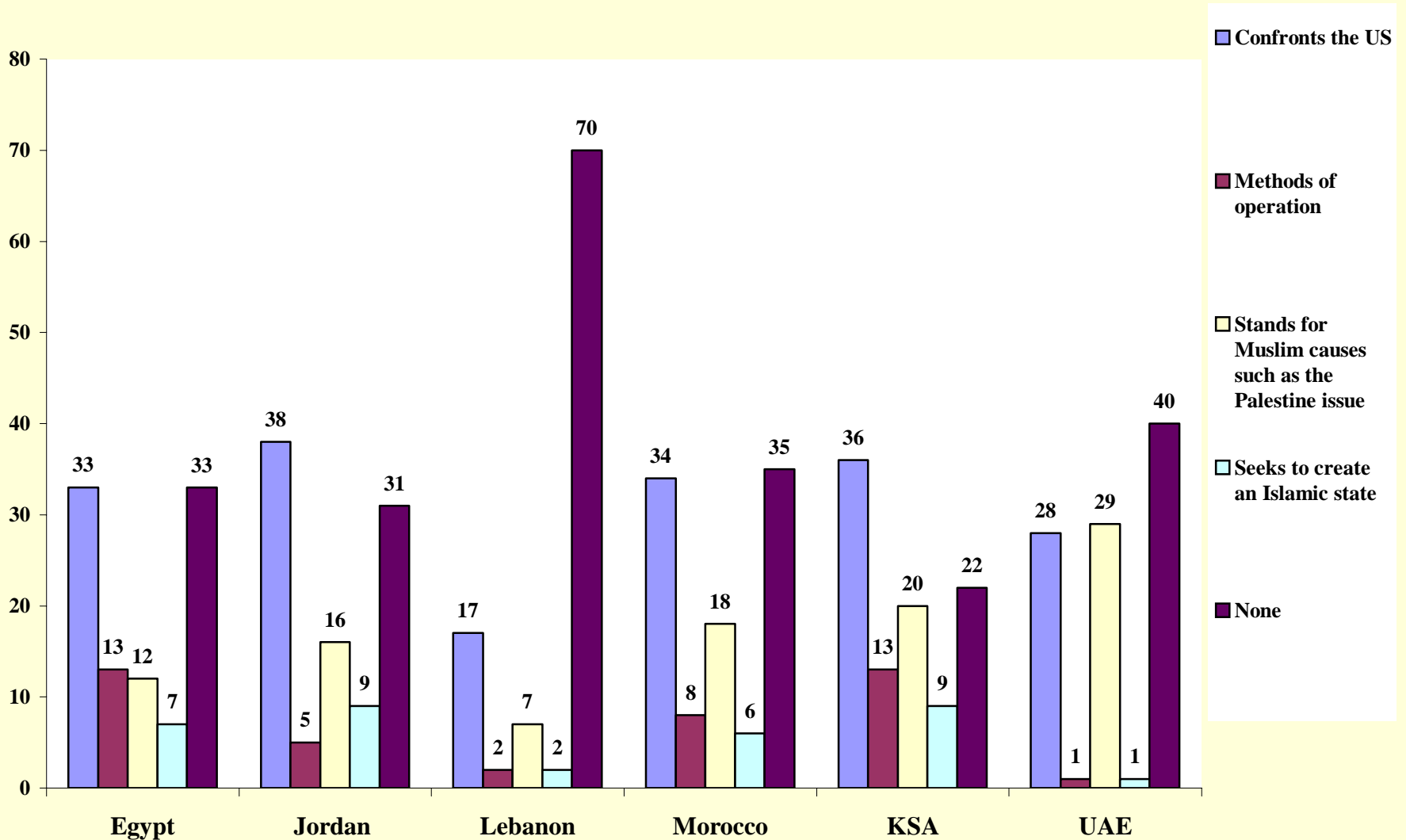
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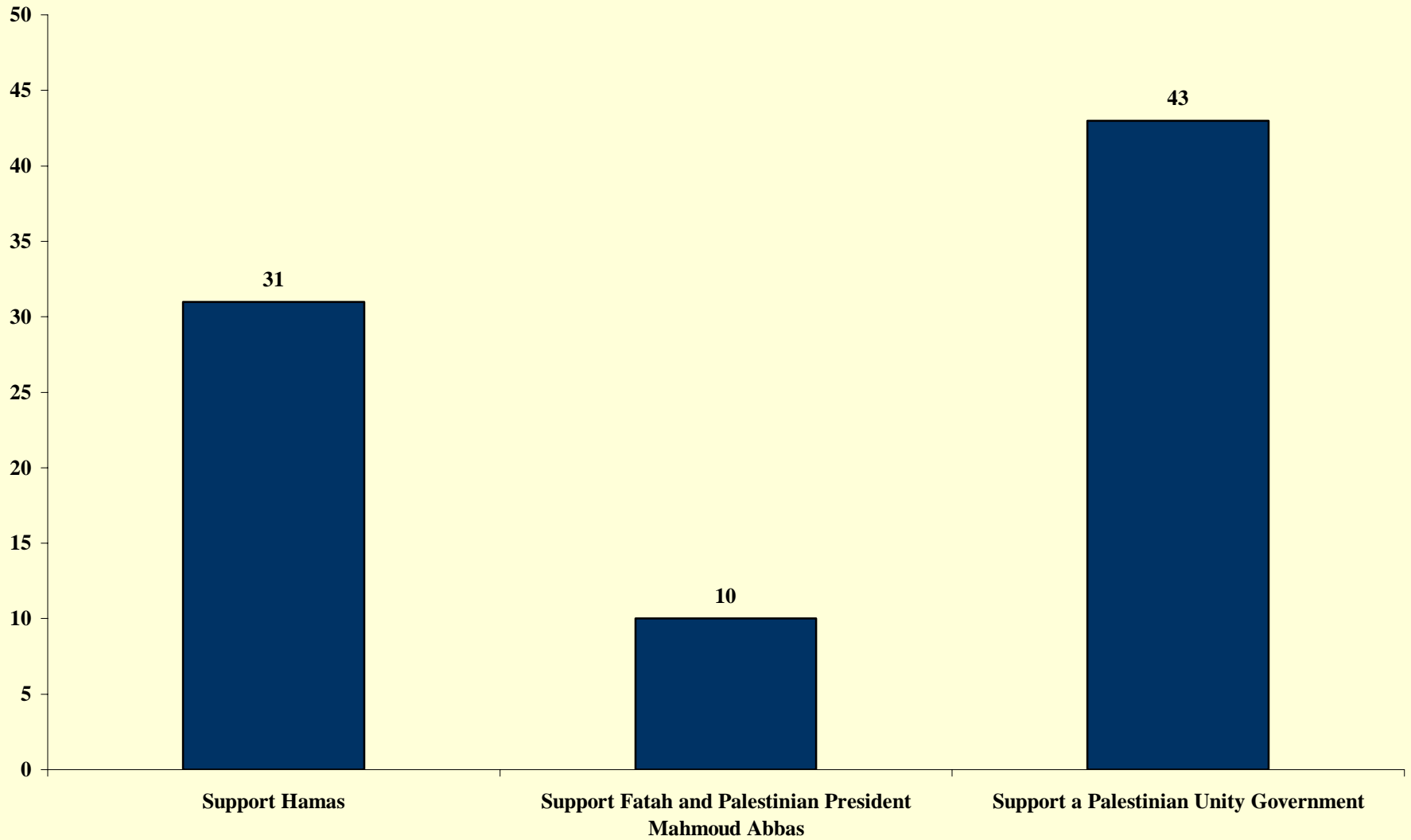
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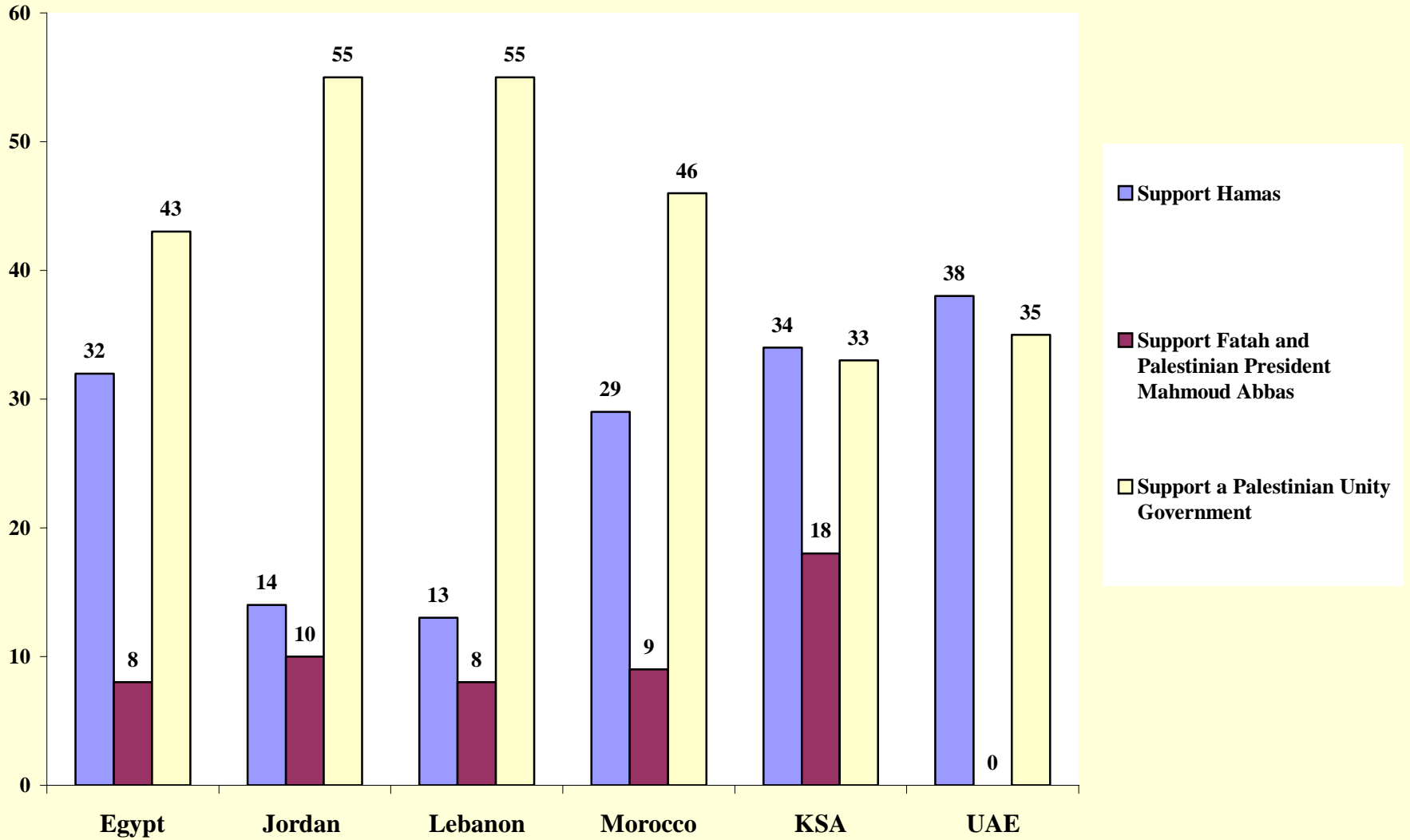
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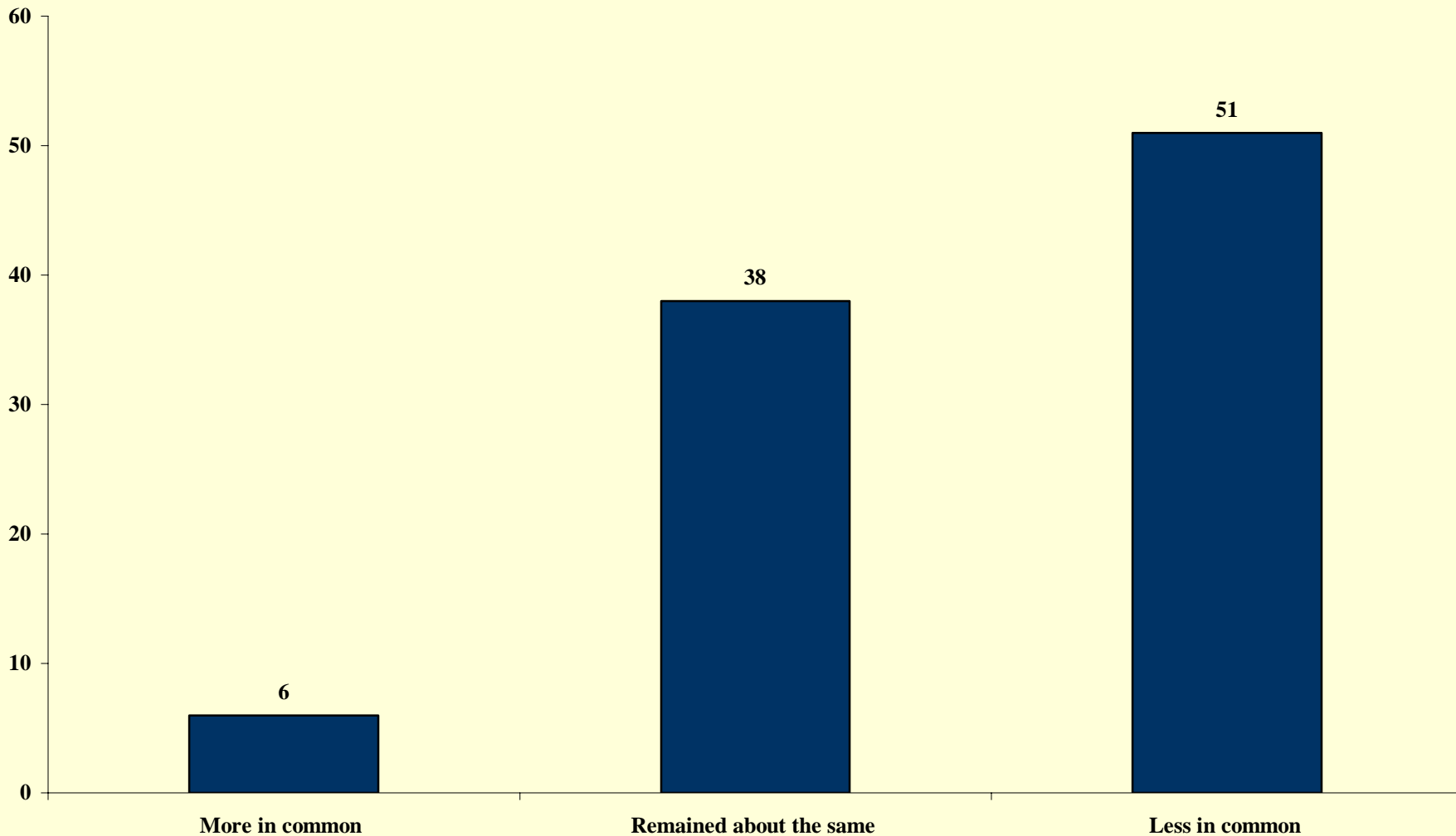
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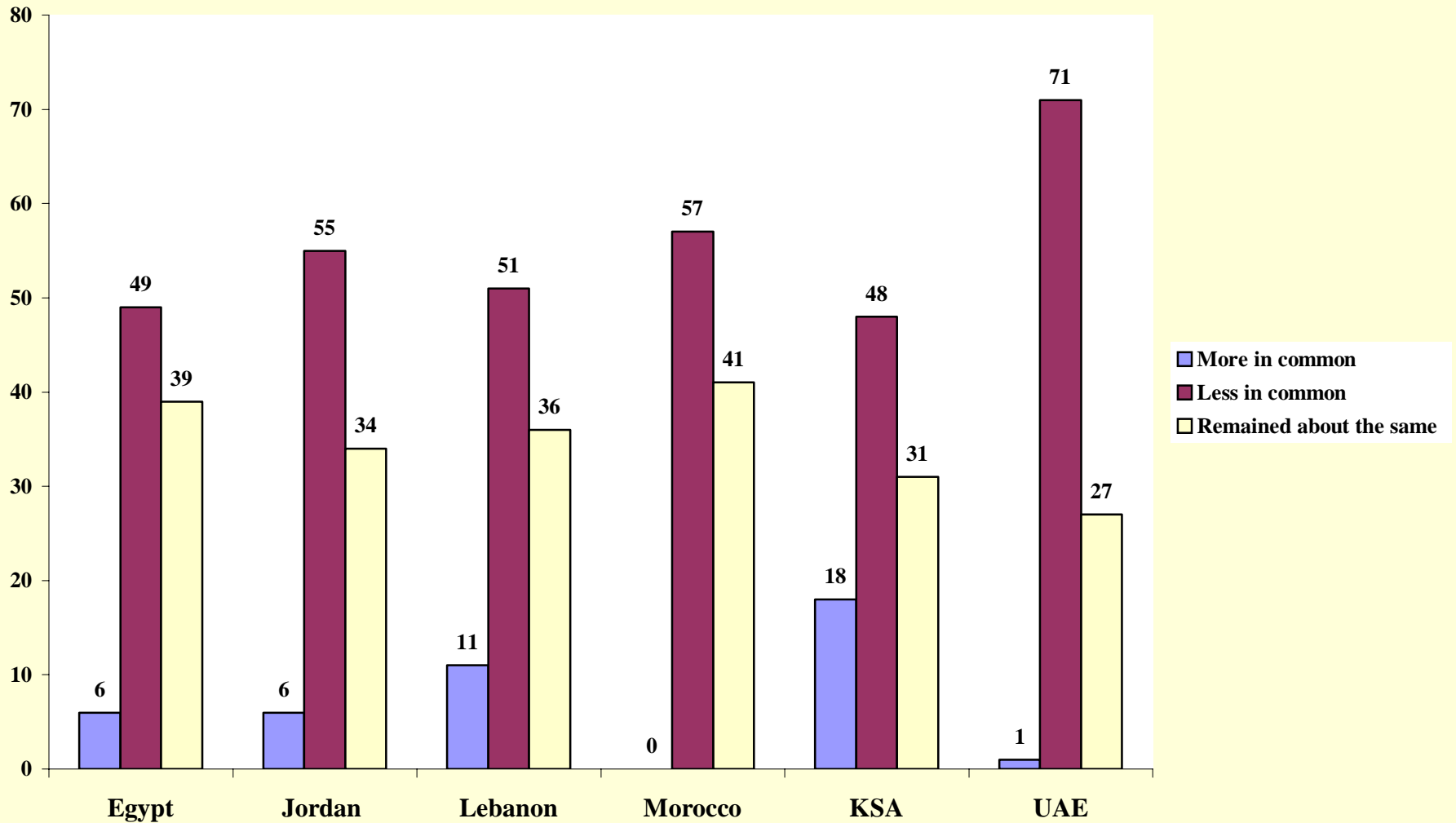
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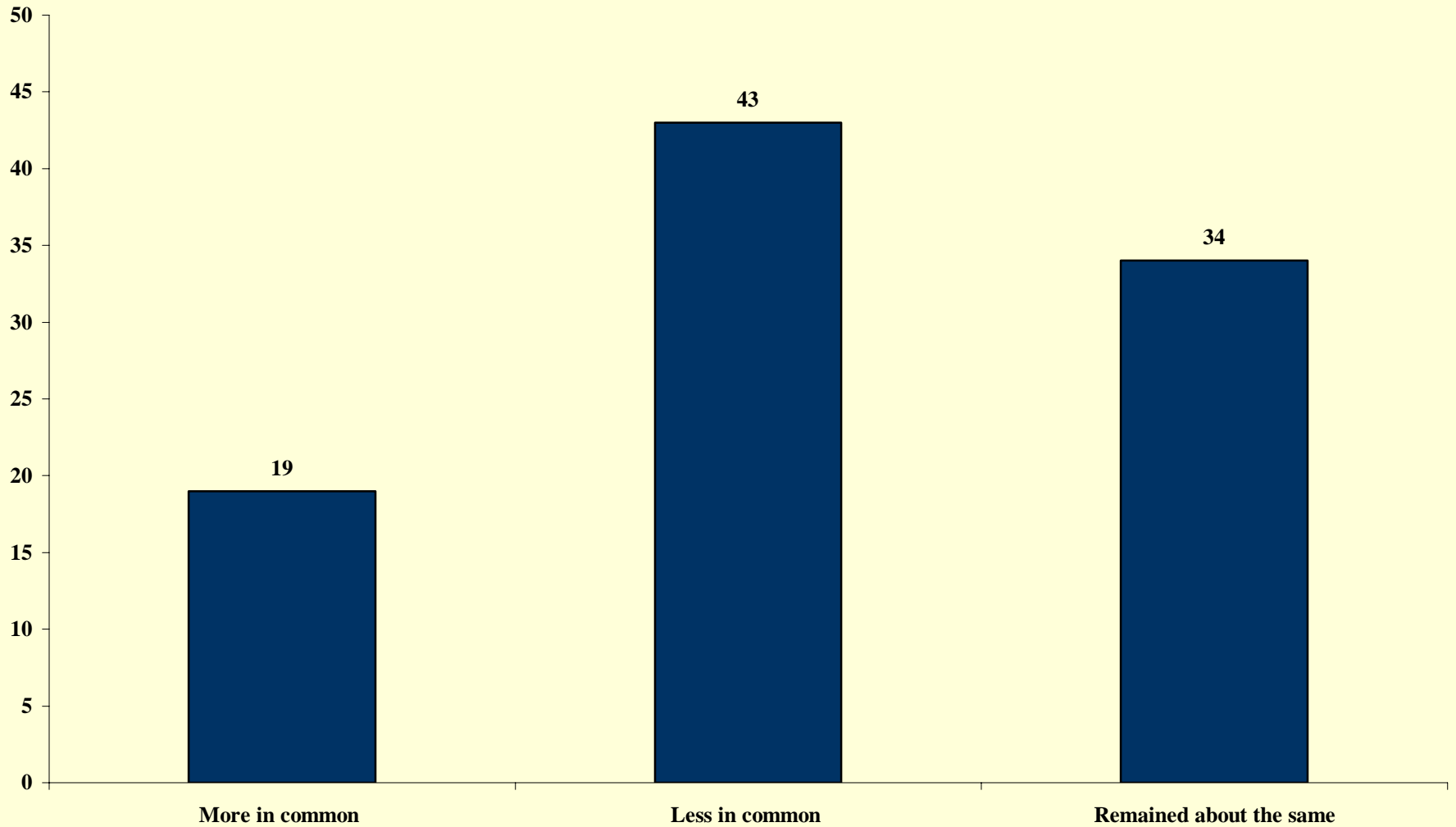
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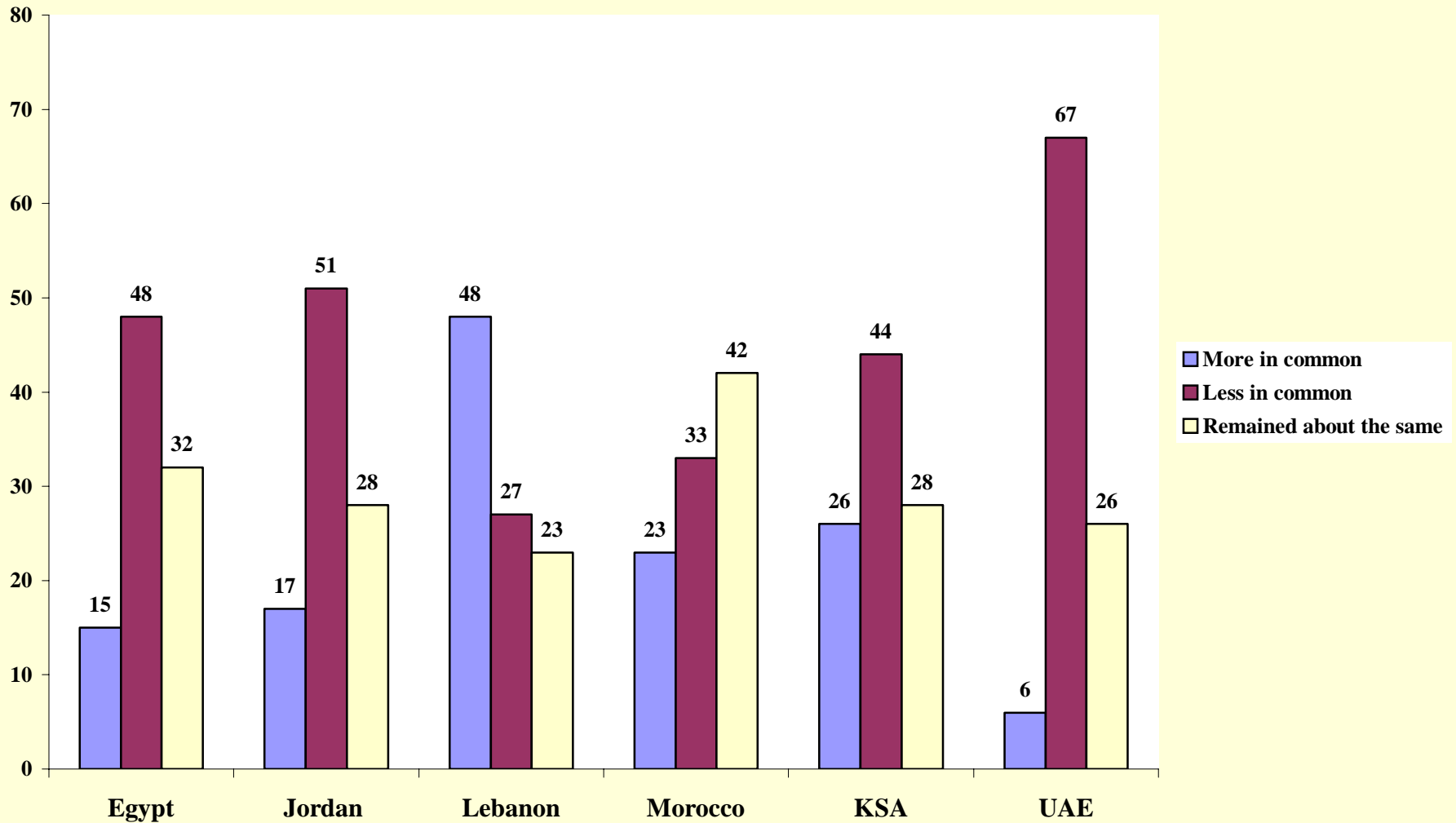
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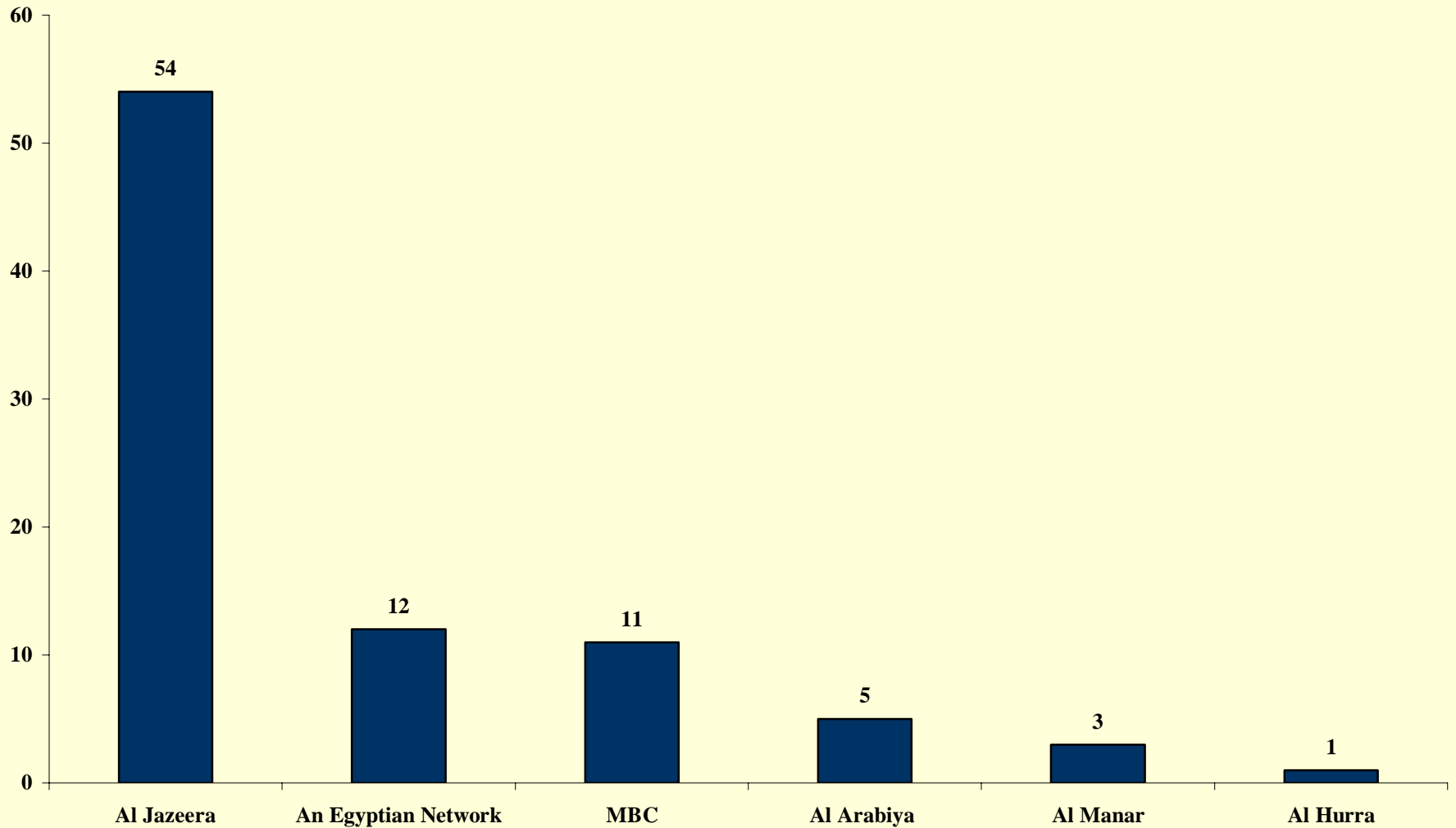


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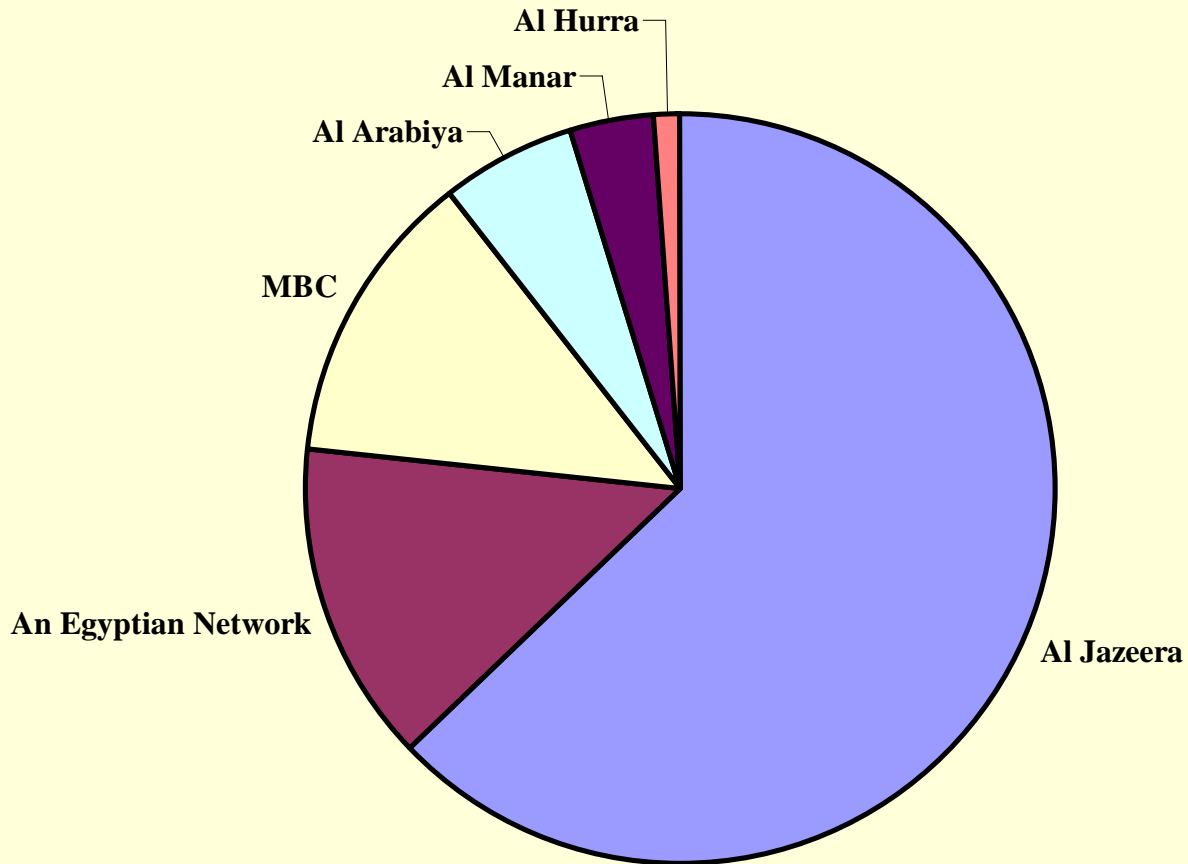


Media Viewership

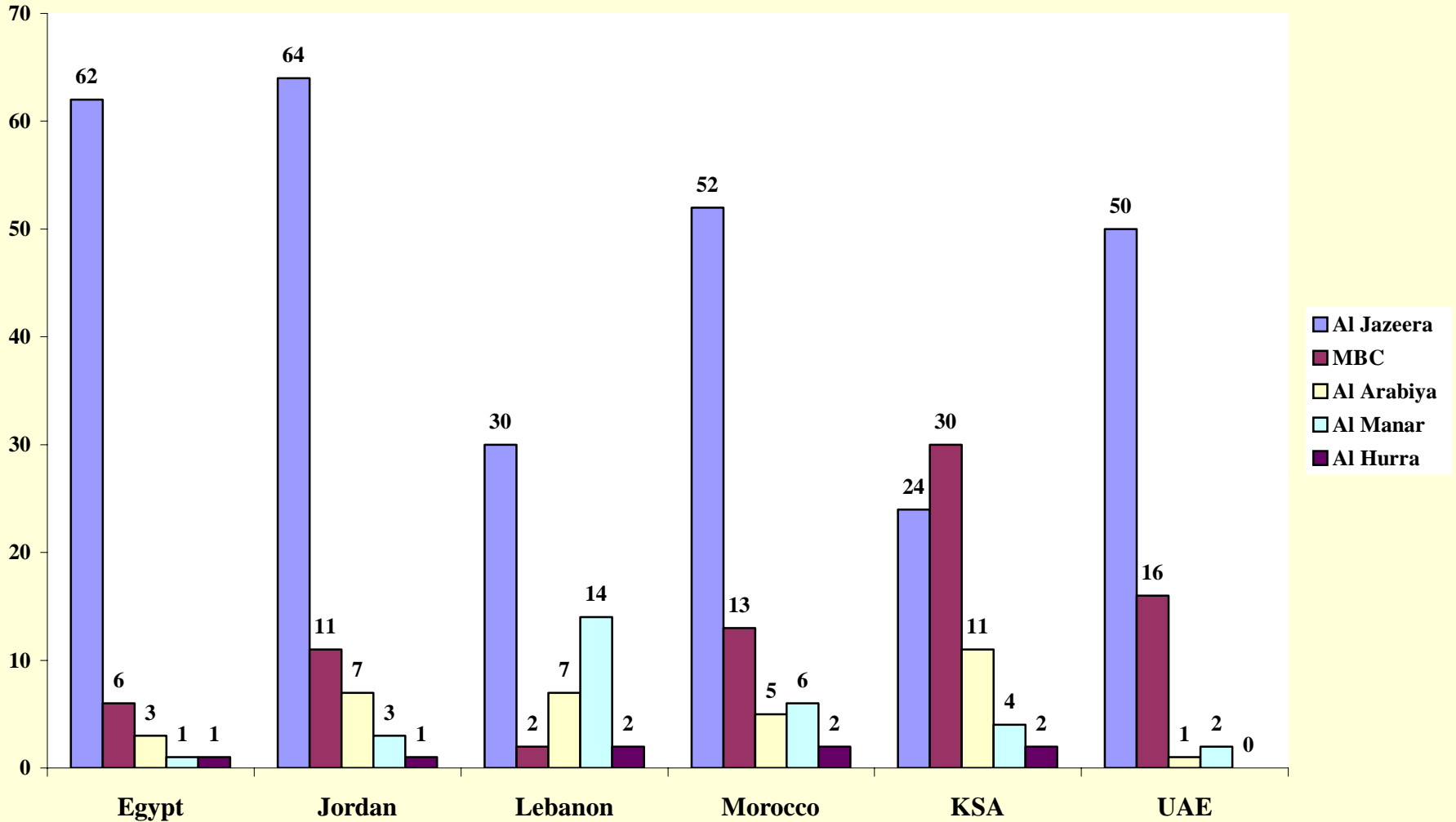
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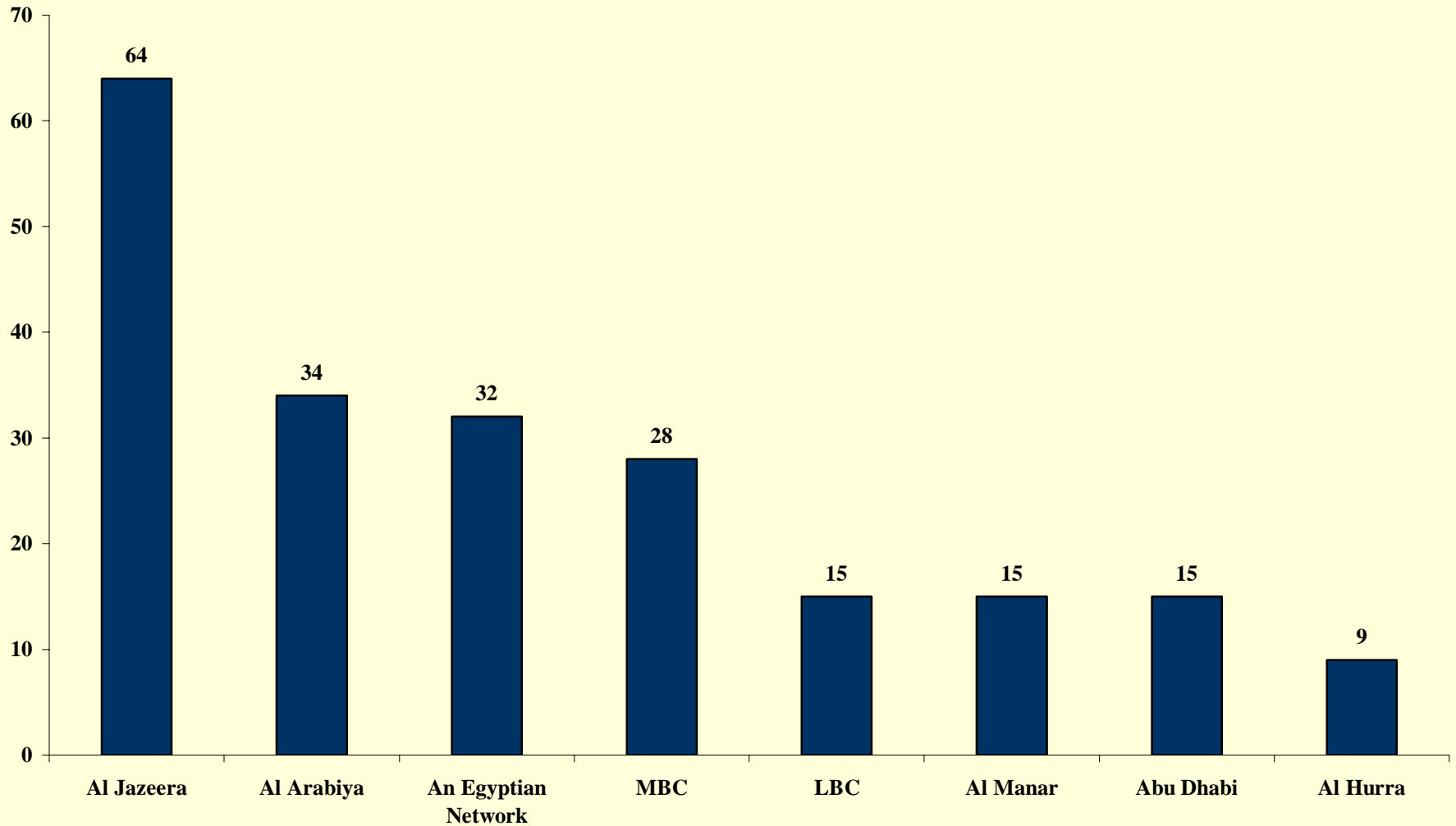
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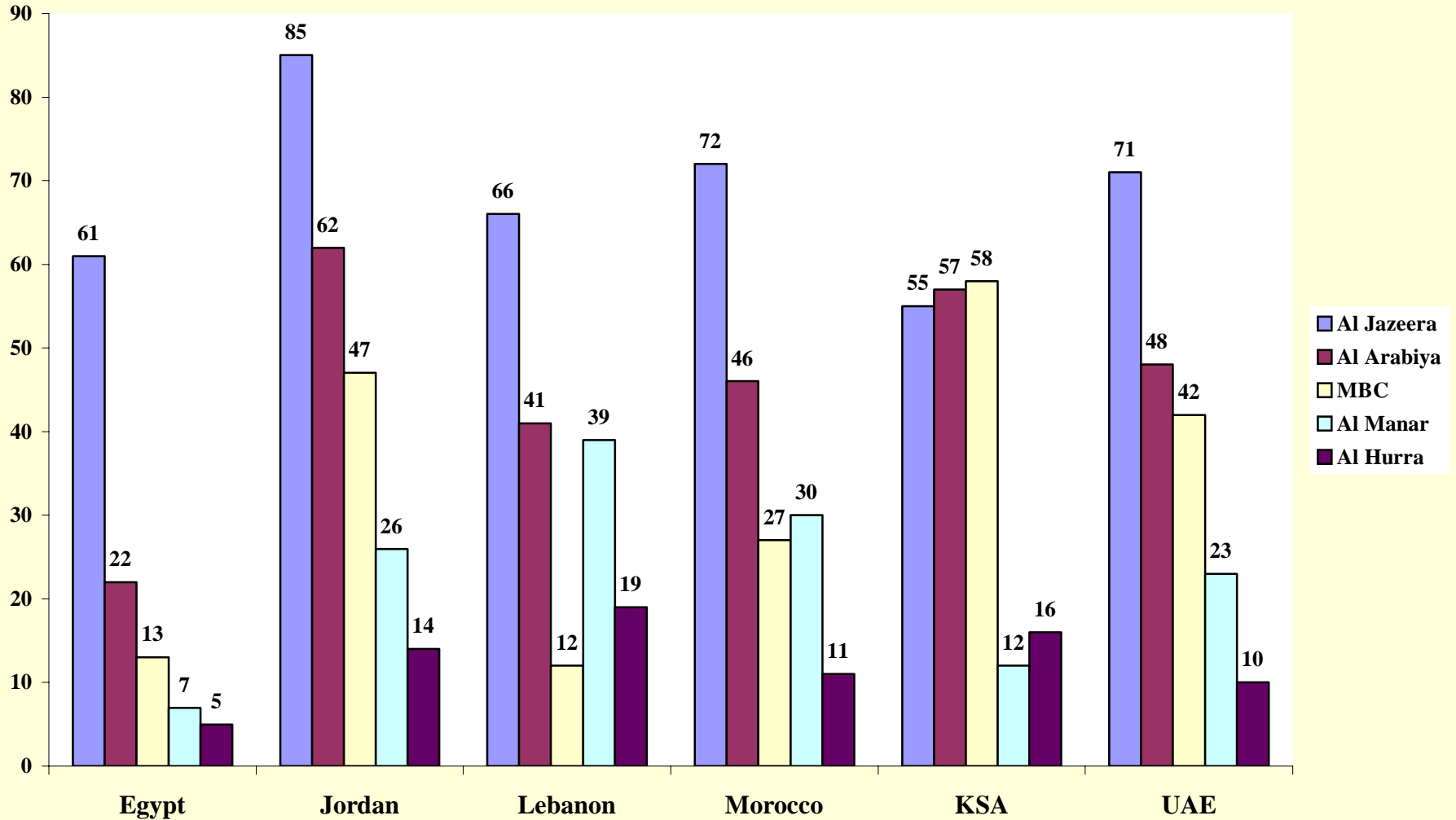
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Methodology Statement for 6 Nation Survey

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The tables below show the margin of sampling error based on all interviews conducted in that country. For results based on the full sample in a given country, one can say with 95% confidence that the error attributable to sampling and other random effects is plus or minus the margin of error. In addition to sampling error, one should bear in mind that question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of opinion polls. It should also be noted that the majority of field work was conducted during the month of Ramadan. The margin of error for the total survey (3850 individuals) is +/- 1.58.

Sample size and margins of error for each individual country is as follows:

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Jordan: 600 (+/- 4.1%)

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