

Interfaith Marriage Survey

of Hindus



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eSurvey
 91% Smartphone responses
 2,341 Viewed
 1,083 Total responses
710 Completed
 3 min Average response time



65% said arranged marriages are still relevant
 59% do not feel the society discriminates against interfaith couples or were neutral

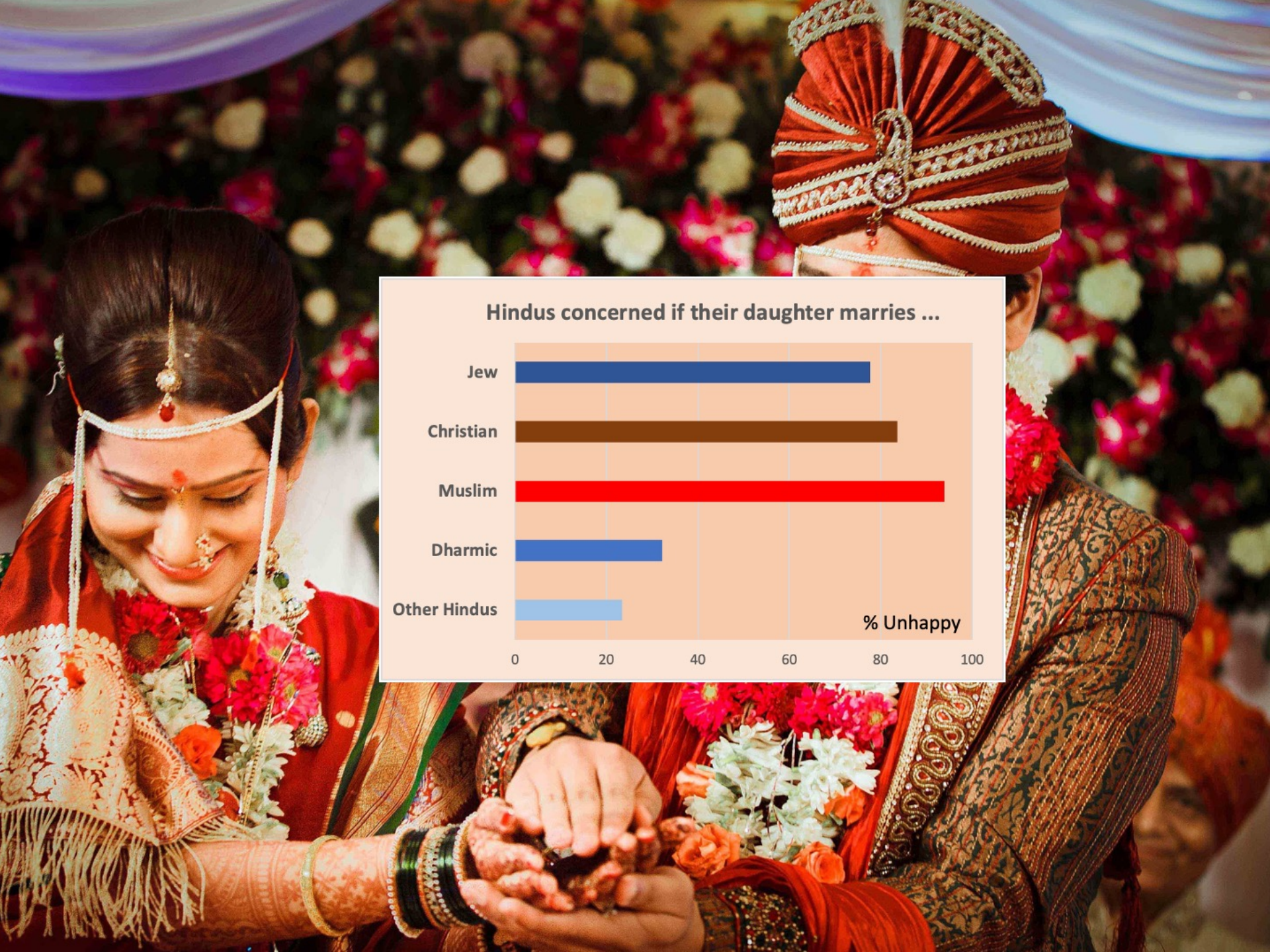


5 Continents
 20 Countries
 47% have children 18+ years
45% from India
 Rest: 88% out of India for more than 10 years

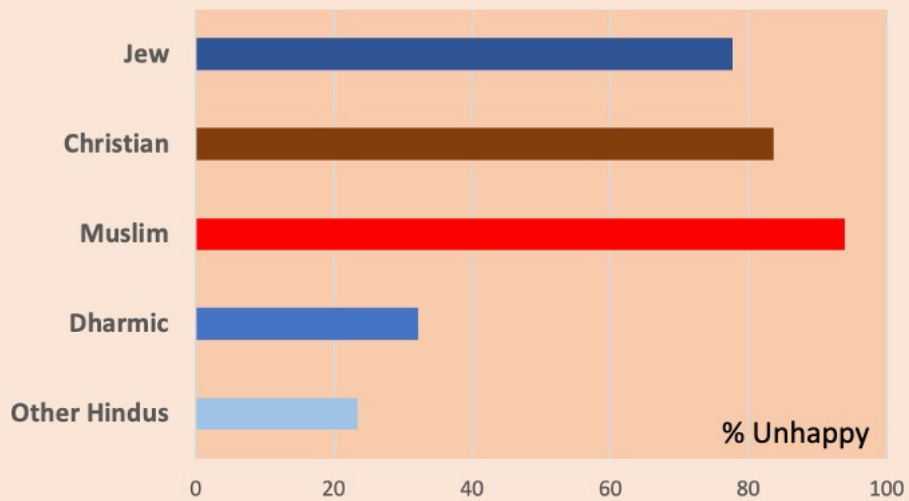


96% unhappy with Hindu-Muslim Marriage
 More concerns with Abrahamic vs. Dharmic





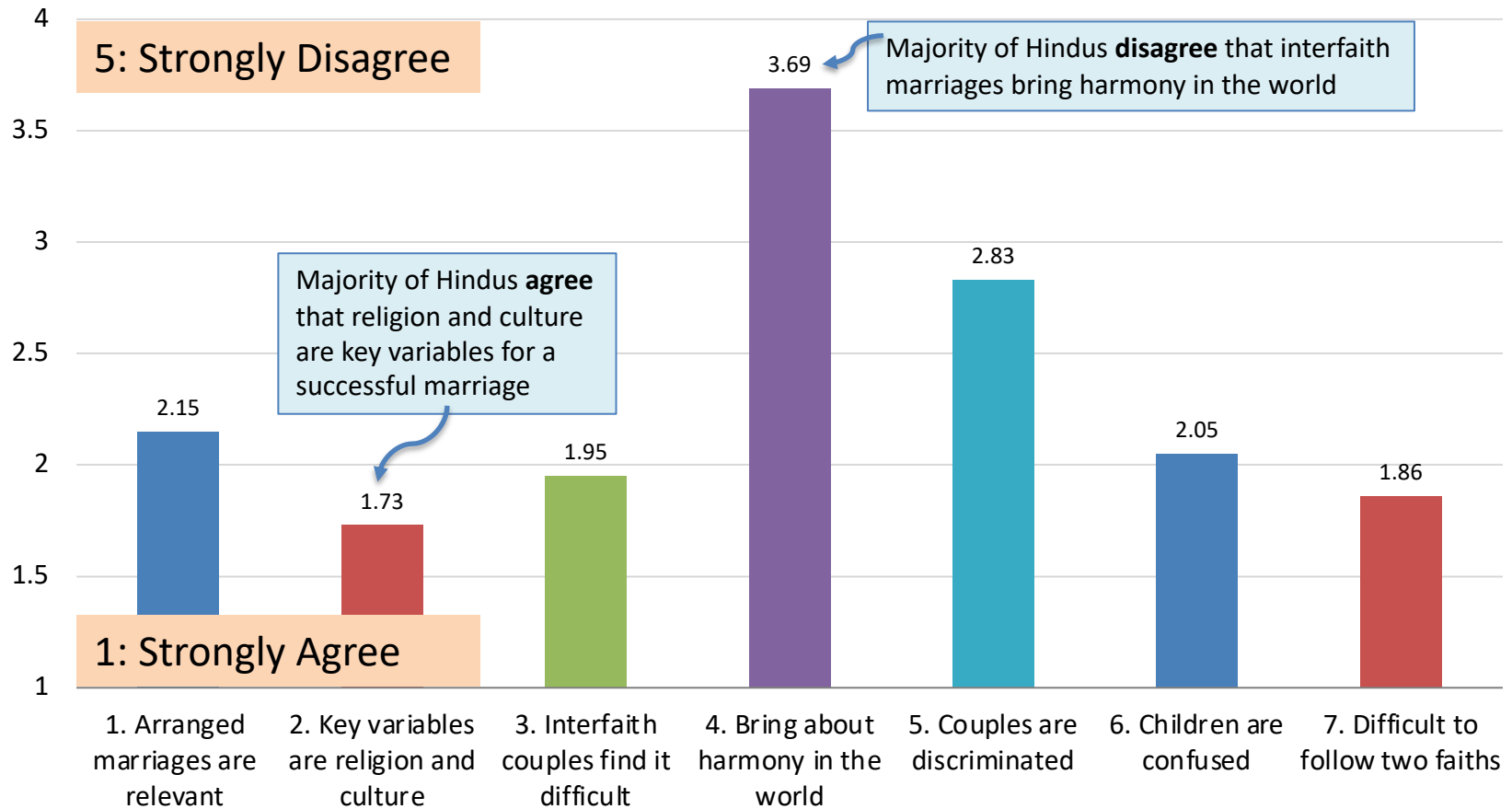
Hindus concerned if their daughter marries ...





Views of Hindus on Interfaith Marriages

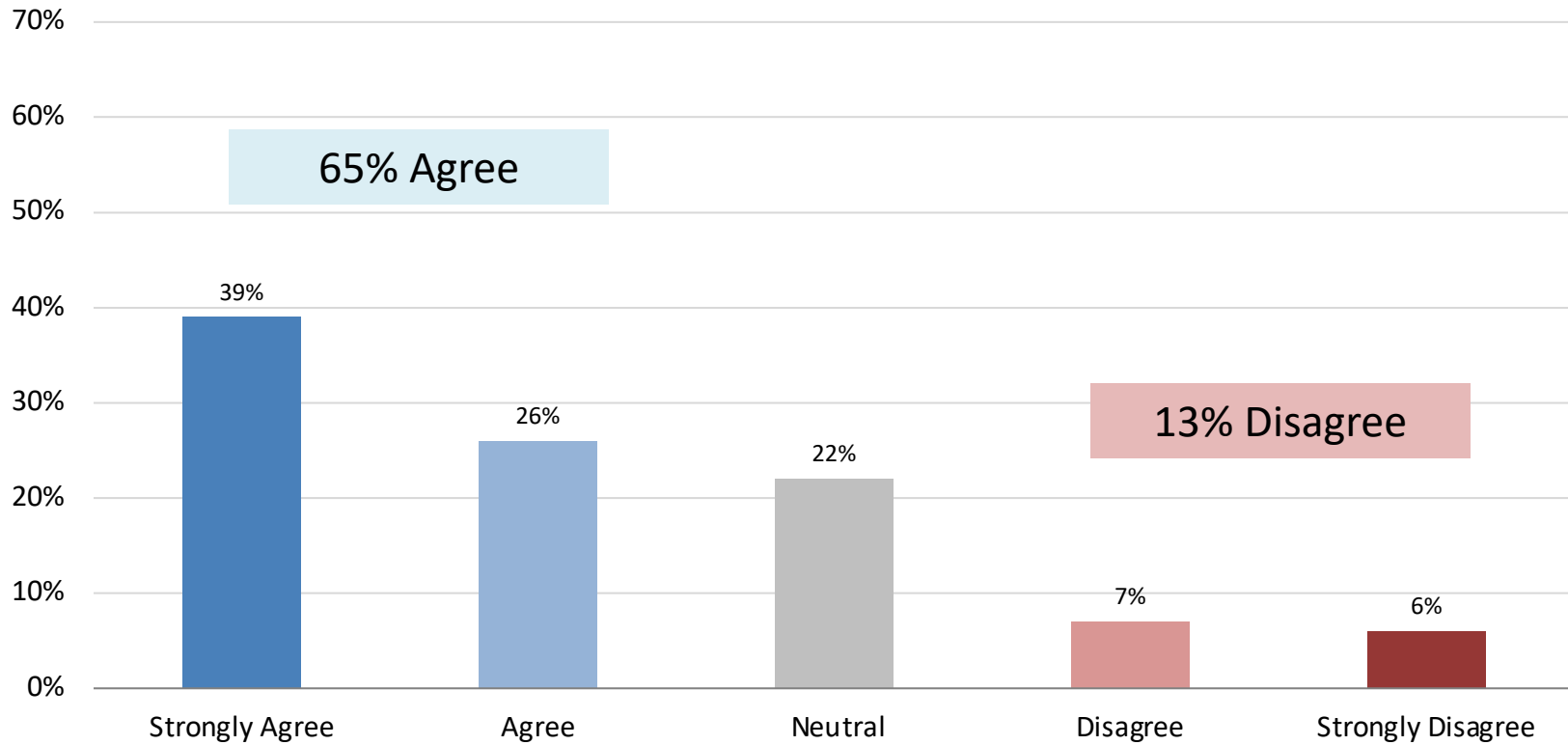
Agreement or disagreement on a scale of 1-5



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2. I believe one of the key variables for a successful marriage is religion and culture.
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5. Couples who have Inter faith or Inter religion marriages find it difficult to adjust with their families.
6. Inter faith or Inter religion marriages bring about harmony in the world.
7. Children from Inter faith marriages are confused and find difficult to adjust.

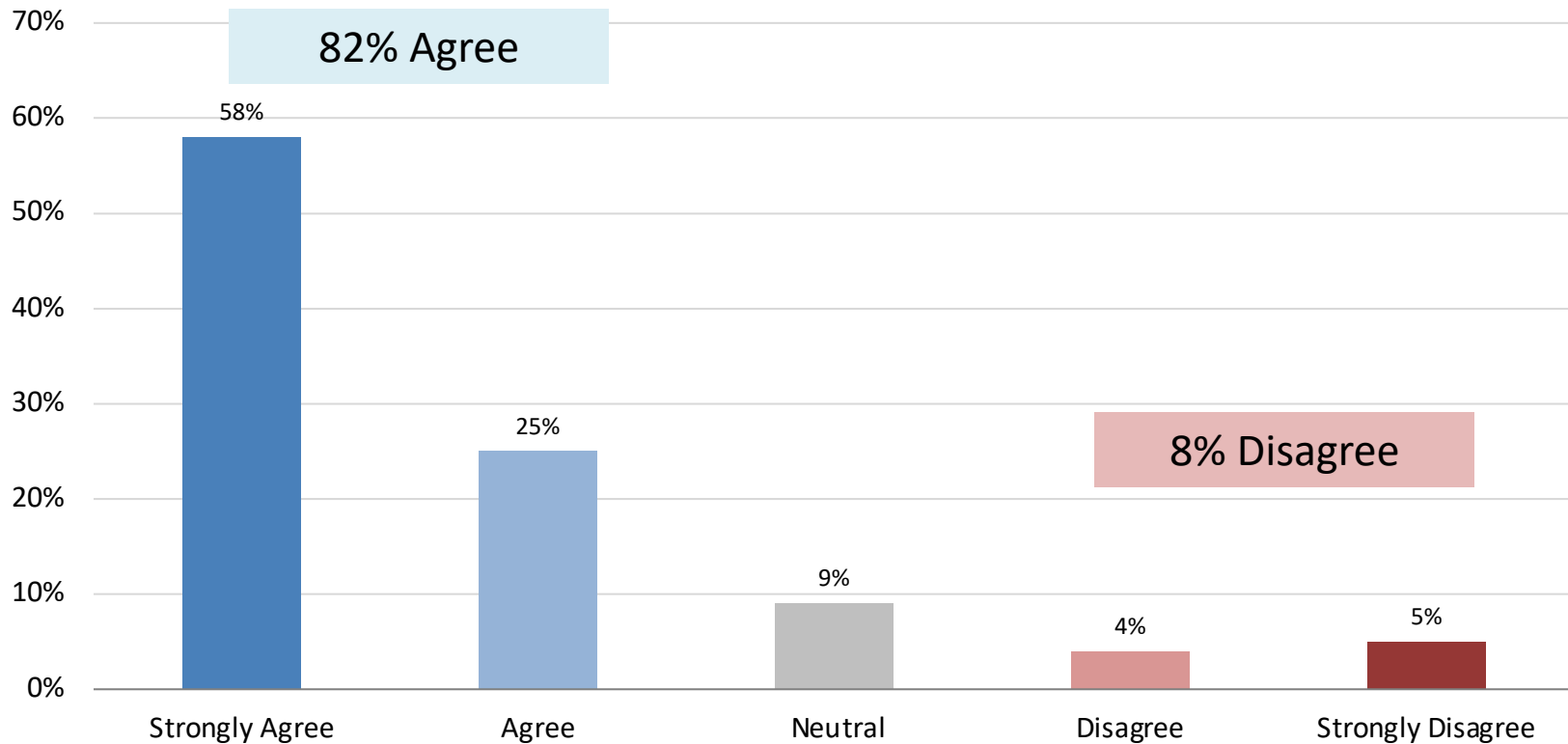


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Mean : 2.153 | Confidence Interval @ 95% : [2.064 - 2.242] | Standard Deviation : 1.181 | Standard Error : 0.045

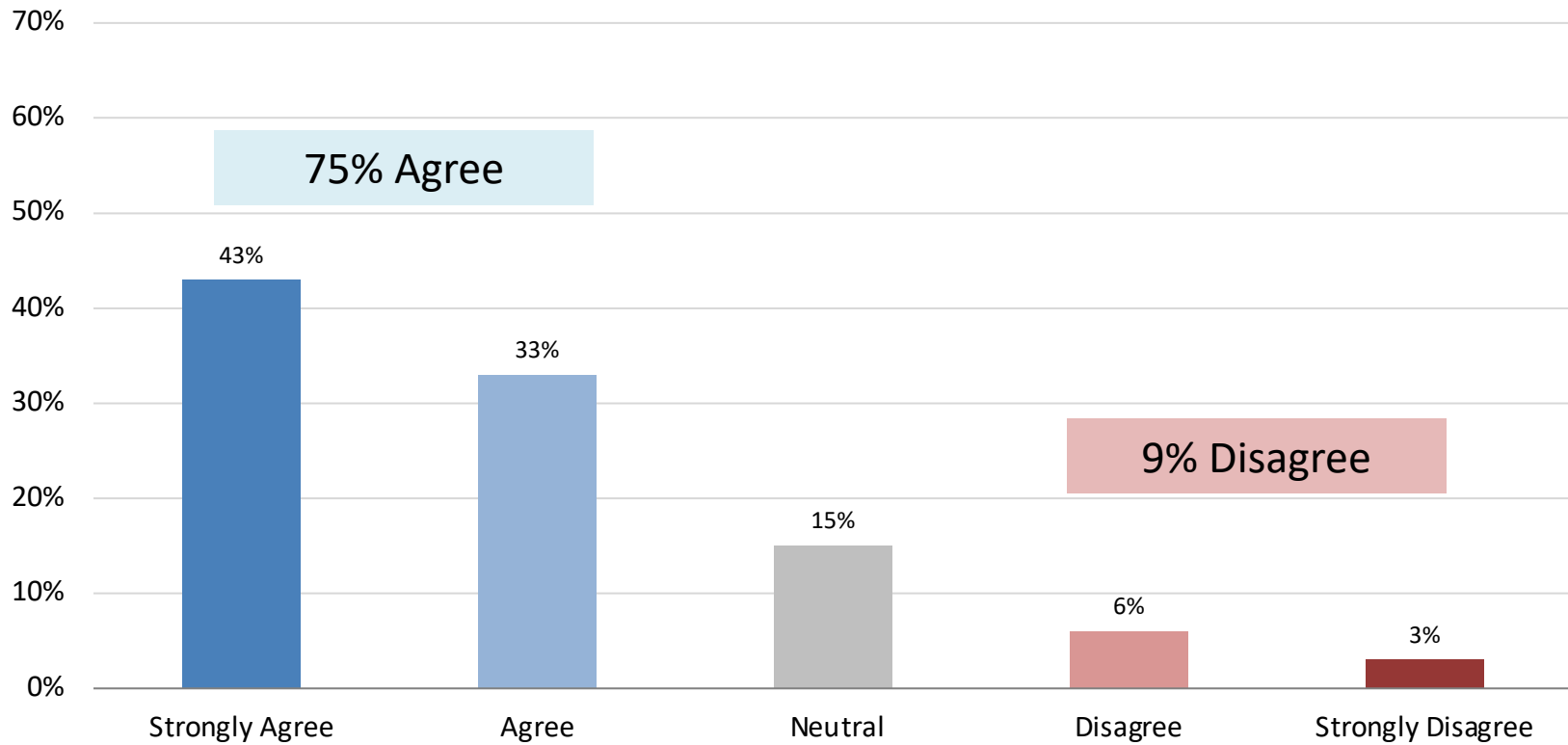
I believe one of the key variables for a successful marriage is religion and culture



Mean : 1.732 | Confidence Interval @ 95% : [1.650 - 1.814] | Standard Deviation : 1.081 | Standard Error : 0.042



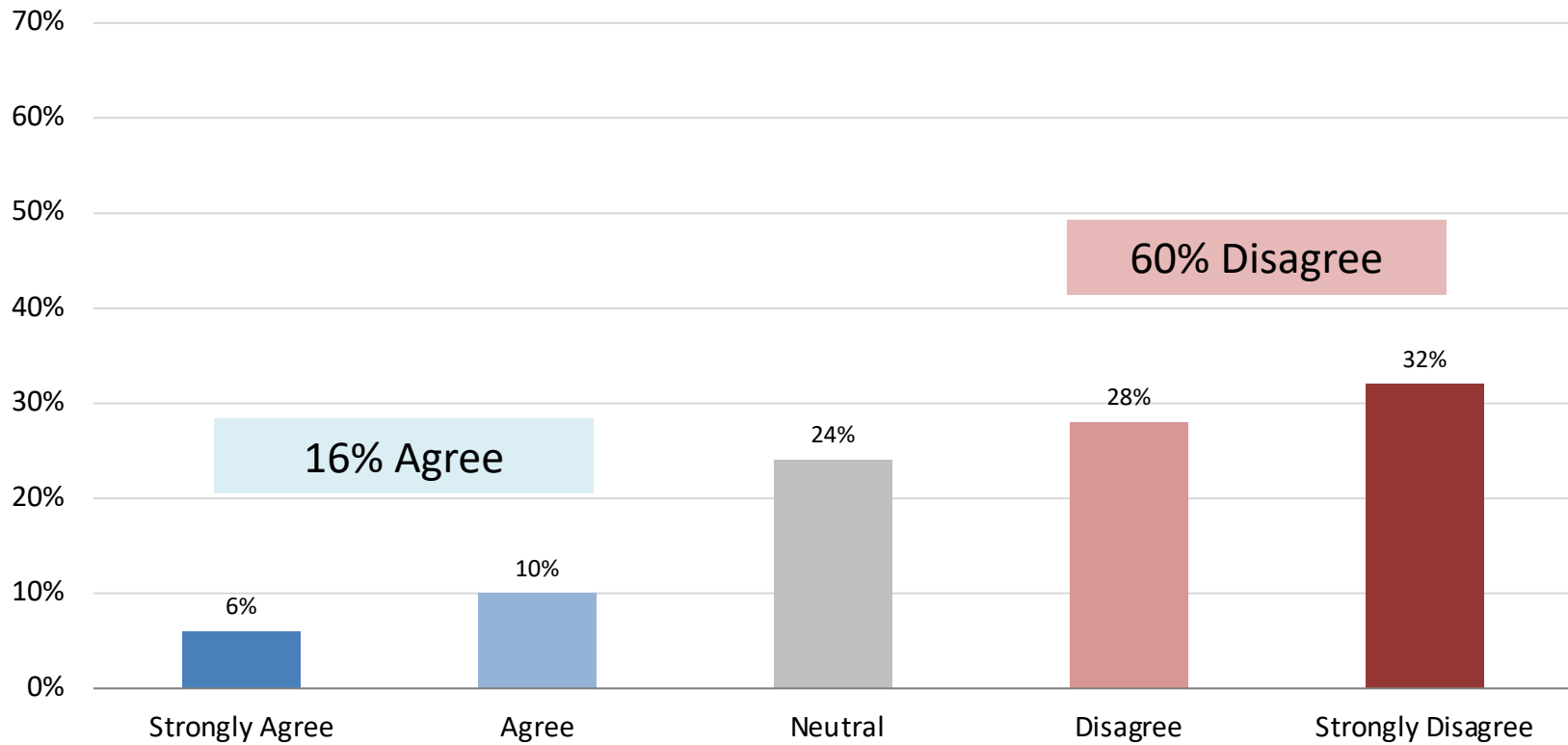
Couples who have Inter faith or Inter religion marriages find it difficult to adjust with their families



Mean : 1.945 | Confidence Interval @ 95% : [1.866 - 2.025] | Standard Deviation : 1.056 | Standard Error : 0.041



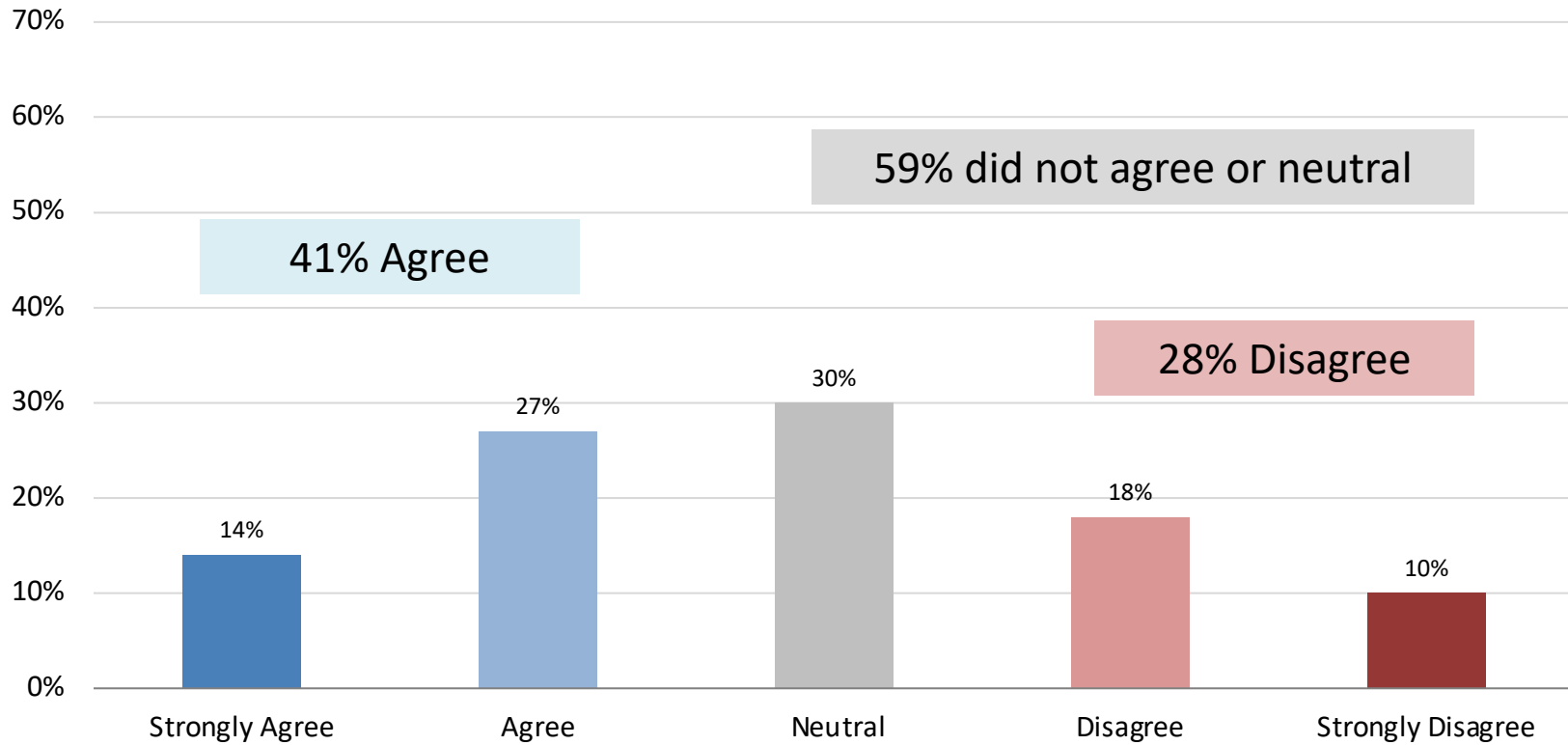
Inter faith or Inter religion marriages bring about harmony in the world



Mean : 3.686 | Confidence Interval @ 95% : [3.596 - 3.777] | Standard Deviation : 1.200 | Standard Error : 0.046



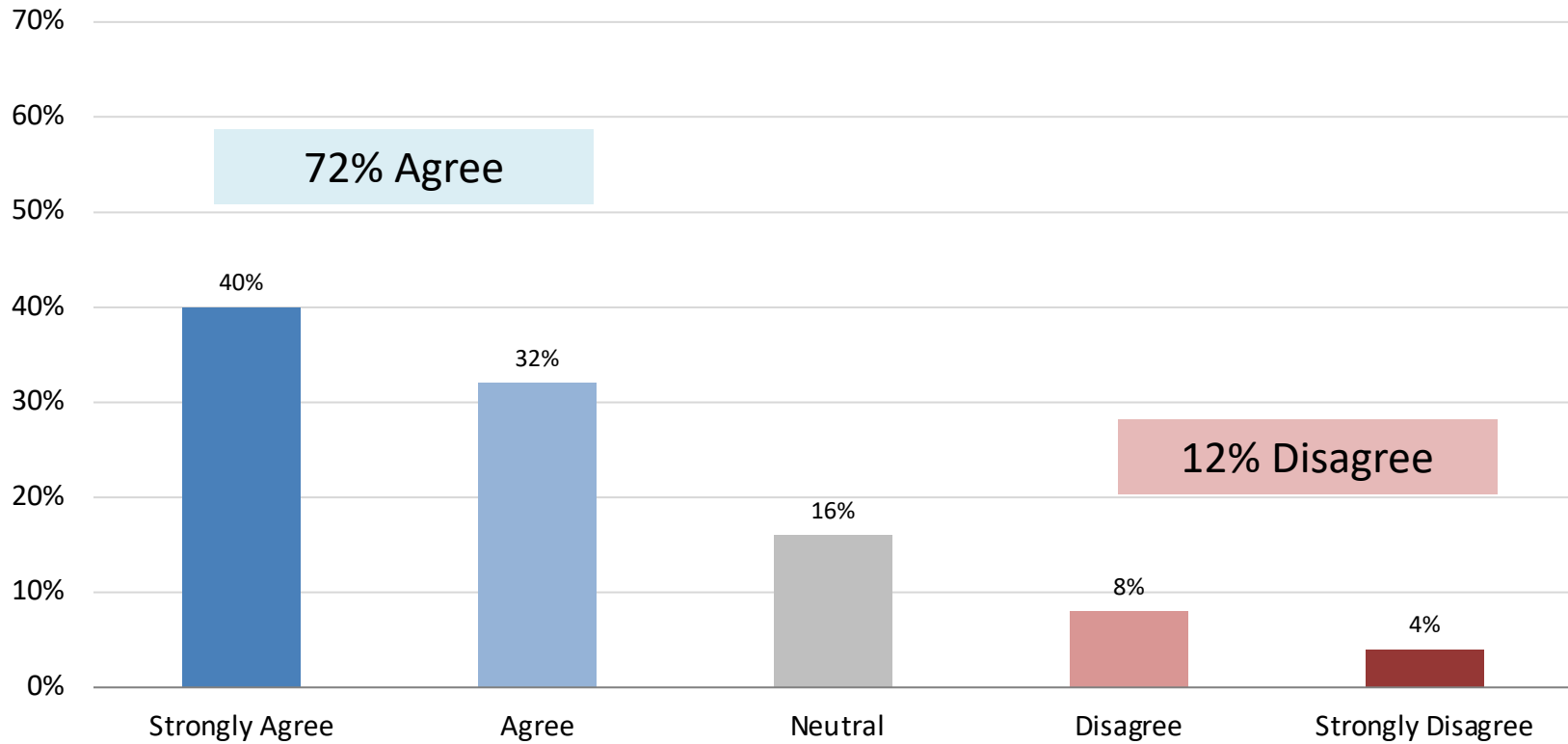
Inter faith or Inter religion marriages are discriminated against in society



Mean : 2.832 | Confidence Interval @ 95% : [2.742 - 2.922] | Standard Deviation : 1.188 | Standard Error : 0.046



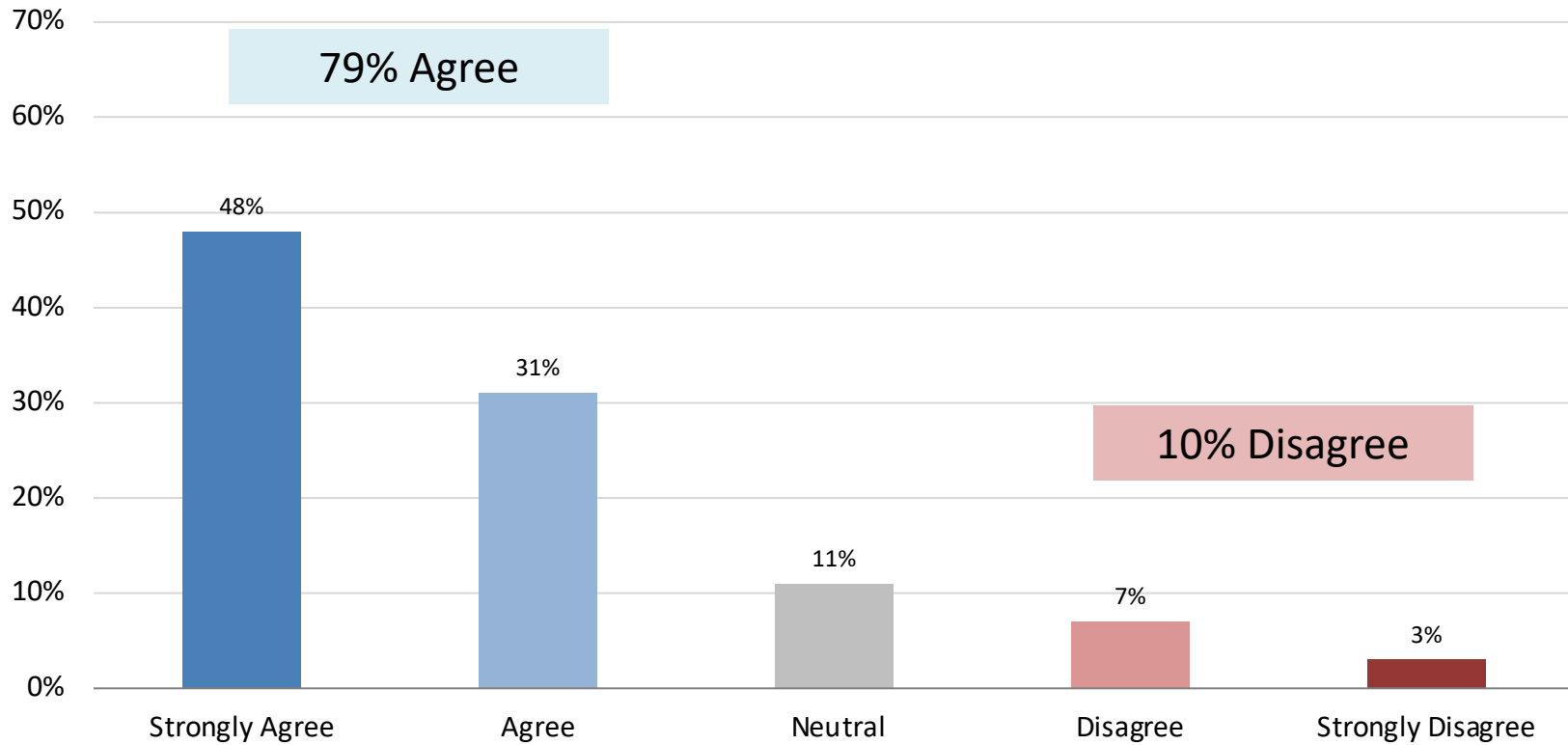
Children from Inter faith marriages are confused and find difficult to adjust



Mean : 2.052 | Confidence Interval @ 95% : [1.967 - 2.137] | Standard Deviation : 1.121 | Standard Error : 0.043



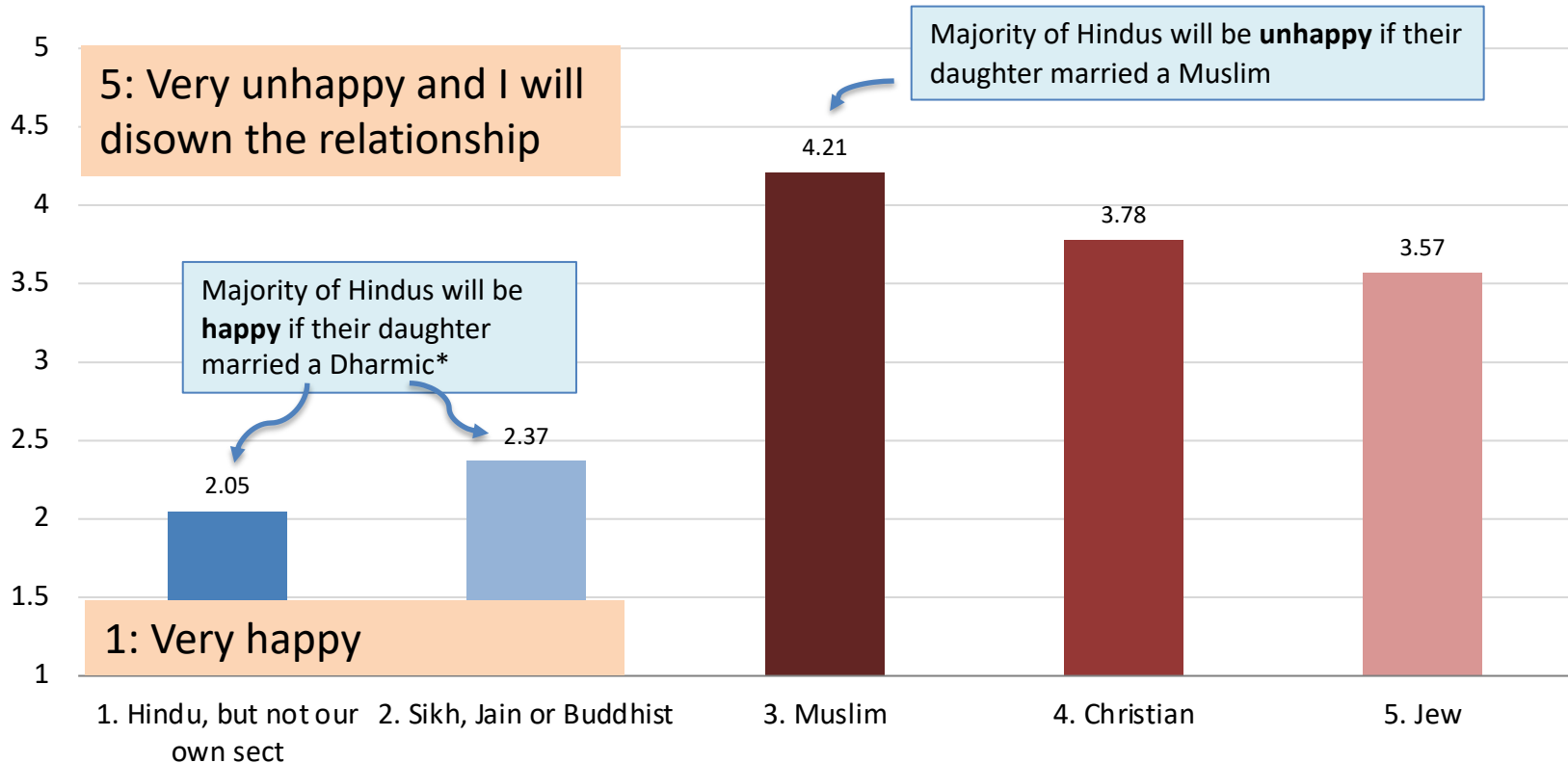
It is difficult for inter faith couples to practice two different sets of religious ideologies in the same household



Mean : 1.860 | Confidence Interval @ 95% : [1.780 - 1.940] | Standard Deviation : 1.055 | Standard Error : 0.041

What if your daughter decides to marry ...?

Happy or unhappy on a scale of 1-5



Question: The following is a hypothetical situation for you to address. There is no right or wrong answer to the questions, we are interested to understand your observation: Hypothetically, let us say, your daughter decides to marry any one of the below, what would your response be?

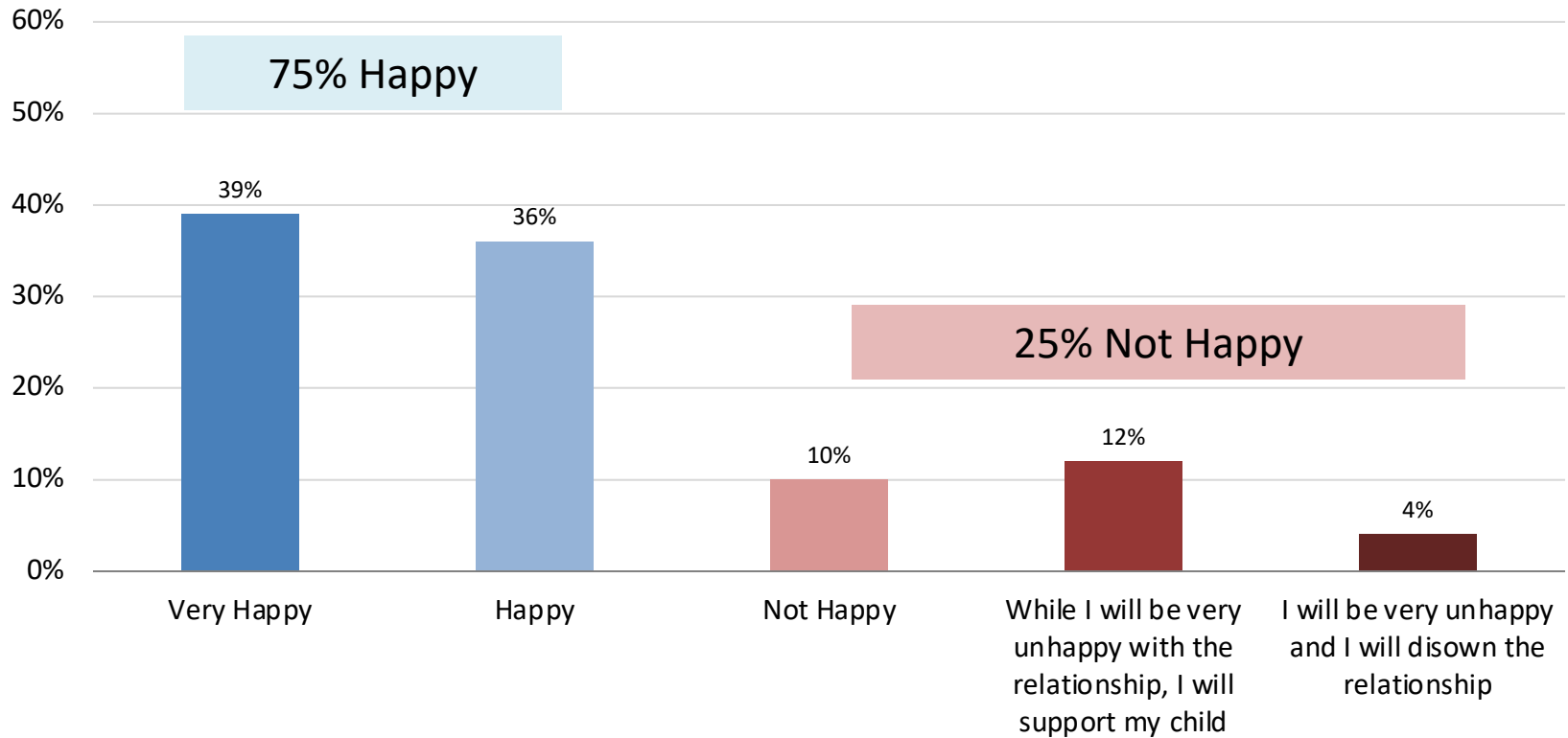
Ratings: 1. Very Happy, 2. Happy, 3. Not Happy, 4. While I will be very unhappy with the relationship, I will support my child and 5. I will be very unhappy, and I will disown the relationship (minimum possible score 1.0)

* A question "daughter marrying to a Hindu from your own sect" was not asked.



What if your daughter decides to marry ...?

Hindu, but not our sect*



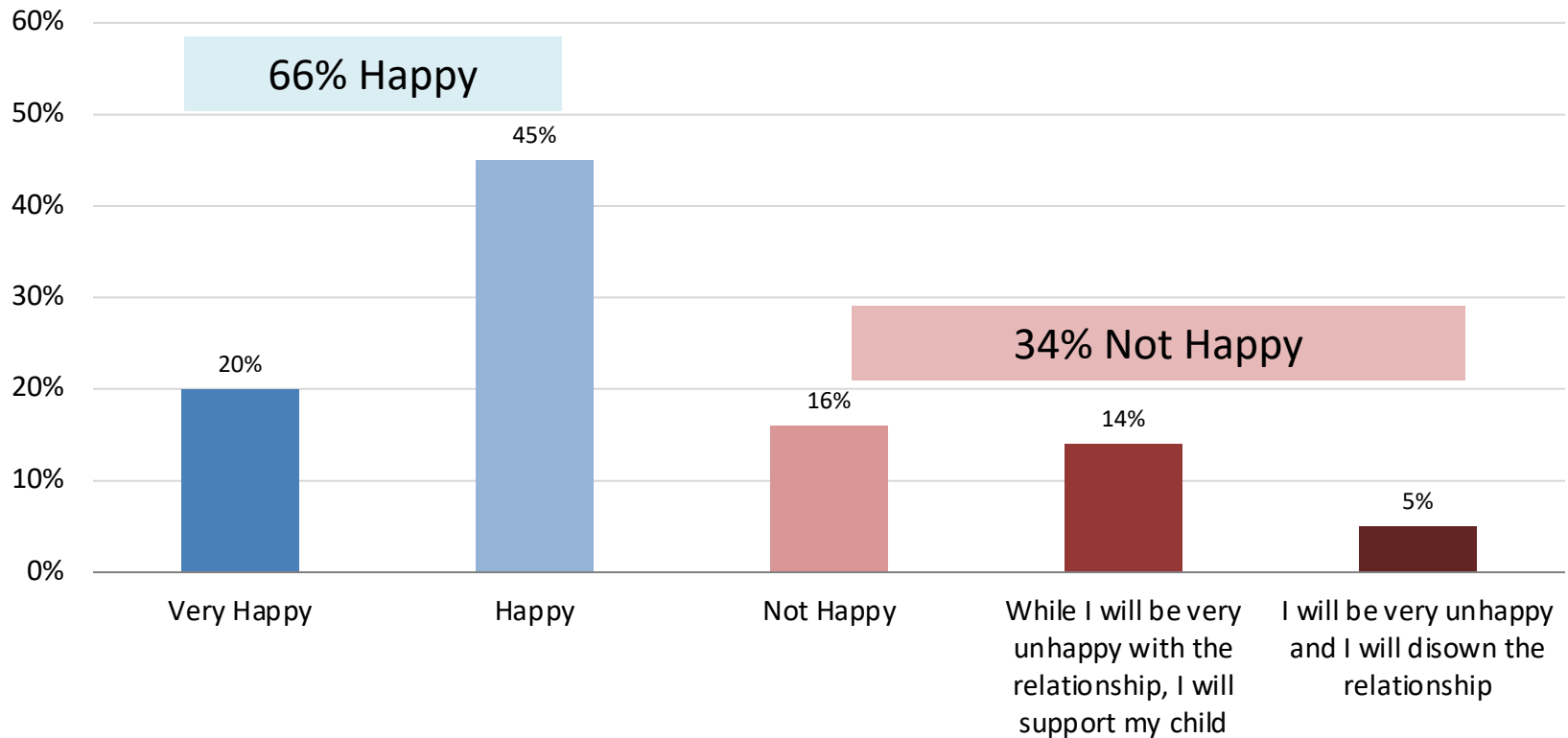
Mean : 2.047 | Confidence Interval @ 95% : [1.962 - 2.133] | Standard Deviation : 1.135 | Standard Error : 0.044

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What if your daughter decides to marry ...?

Sikh, Jain or Buddhist

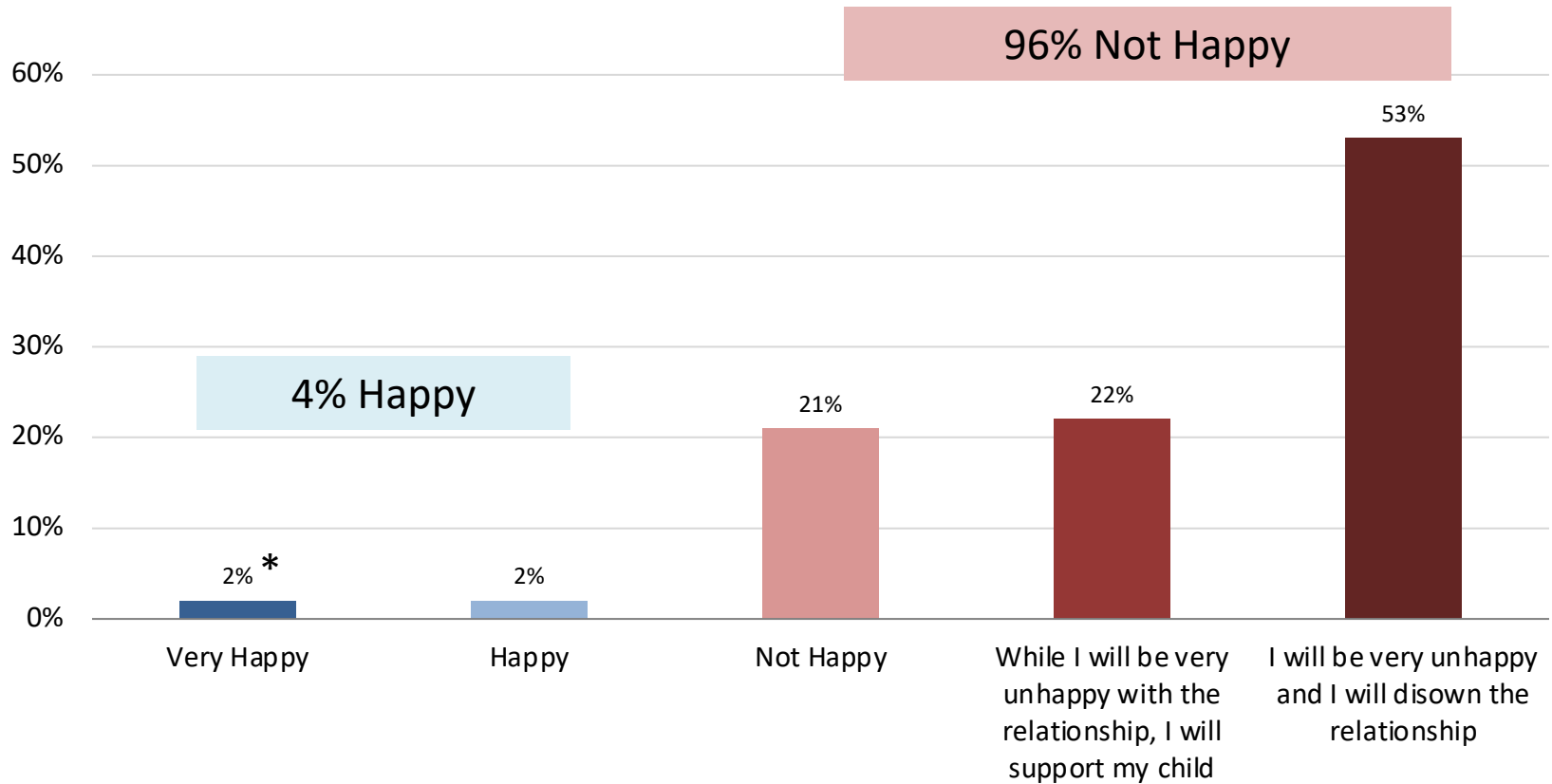


Mean : 2.368 | Confidence Interval @ 95% : [2.286 - 2.450] | Standard Deviation : 1.089 | Standard Error : 0.042



What if your daughter decides to marry ...?

Muslim



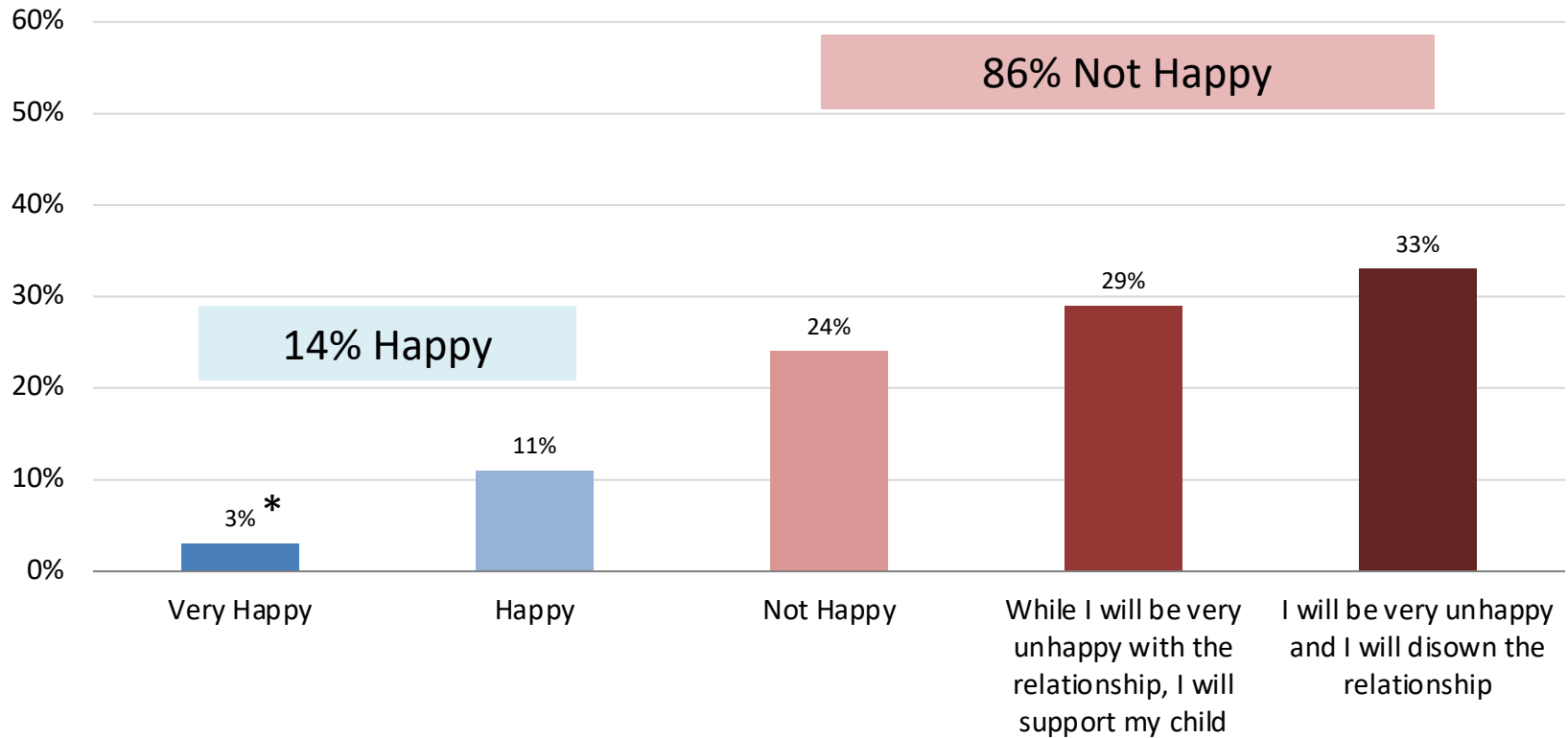
* All these 12 respondents (2%) also replied Very Happy for all 5 faiths/groups

Mean : 4.210 | Confidence Interval @ 95% : [4.137 - 4.284] | Standard Deviation : 0.976 | Standard Error : 0.038



What if your daughter decides to marry ...?

Christian



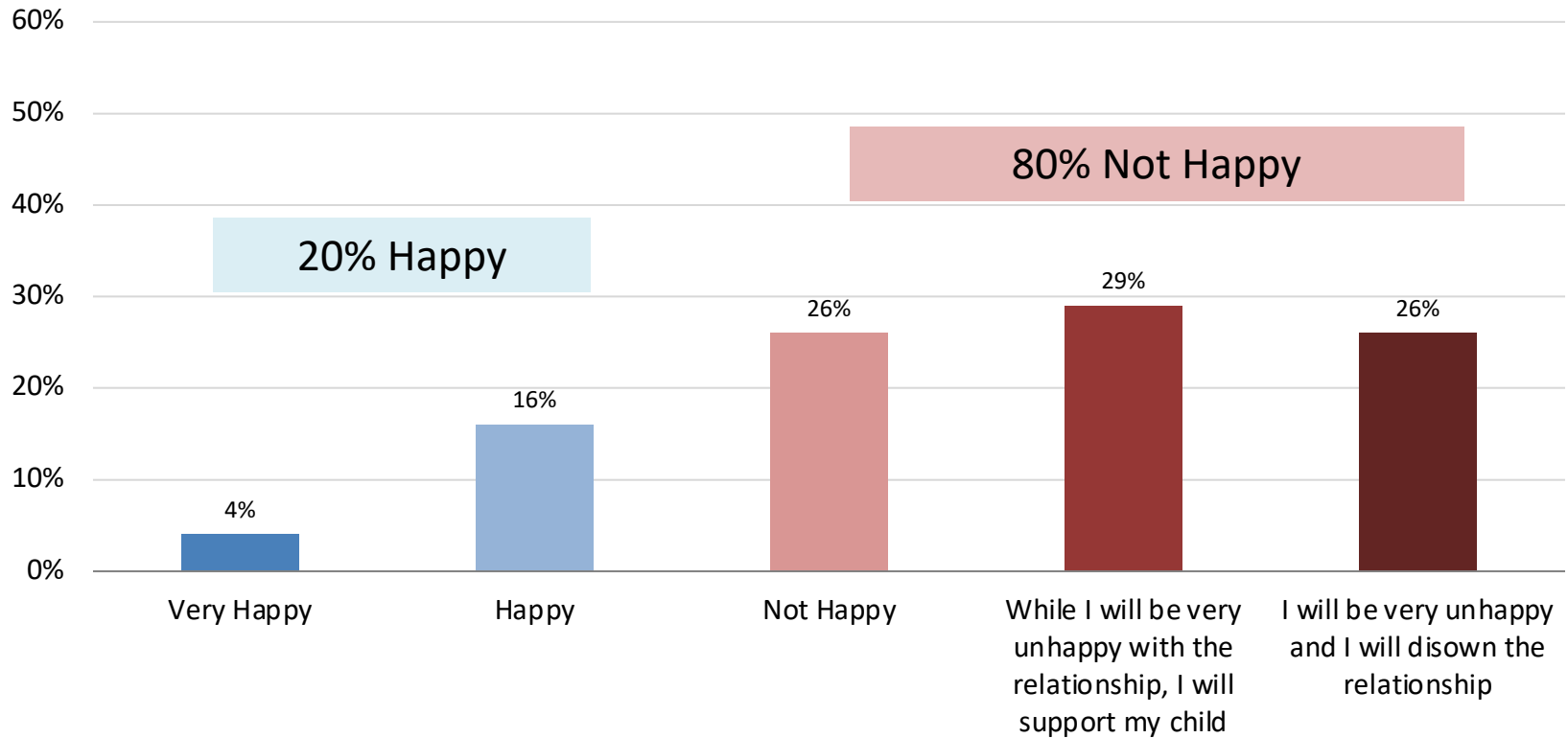
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Mean : 3.785 | Confidence Interval @ 95% : [3.701 - 3.868] | Standard Deviation : 1.105 | Standard Error : 0.043



What if your daughter decides to marry ...?

Jew



Mean : 3.570 | Confidence Interval @ 95% : [3.483 - 3.656] | Standard Deviation : 1.146 | Standard Error : 0.044

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