



# Migration: Perceptions and Evidence

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# Outline

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1. Fact check
2. Biases
3. Evidence generation



# FACT CHECK

What share of the World's population are refugees?

- A. 0.4%
- B. 4.4%
- C. 14.4%

## What share of the world population are refugees?

0.4%

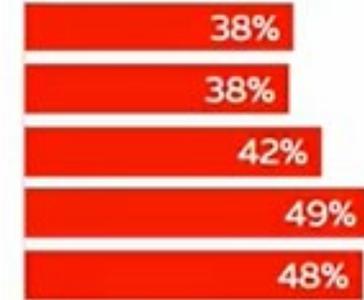
CORRECT ANSWER

4.4%

WRONG

14.4%

VERY WRONG



33%

33%

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# FACT CHECK

“In 1990, 3% of the world’s population lived in a different country than where they were born. What is the share today?”

- A. 24%
- B. 14%
- C. 4%

*“In 1990, 3% of the world’s population lived in a different country than where they were born. What is the share today?”*

**C 3.5%**

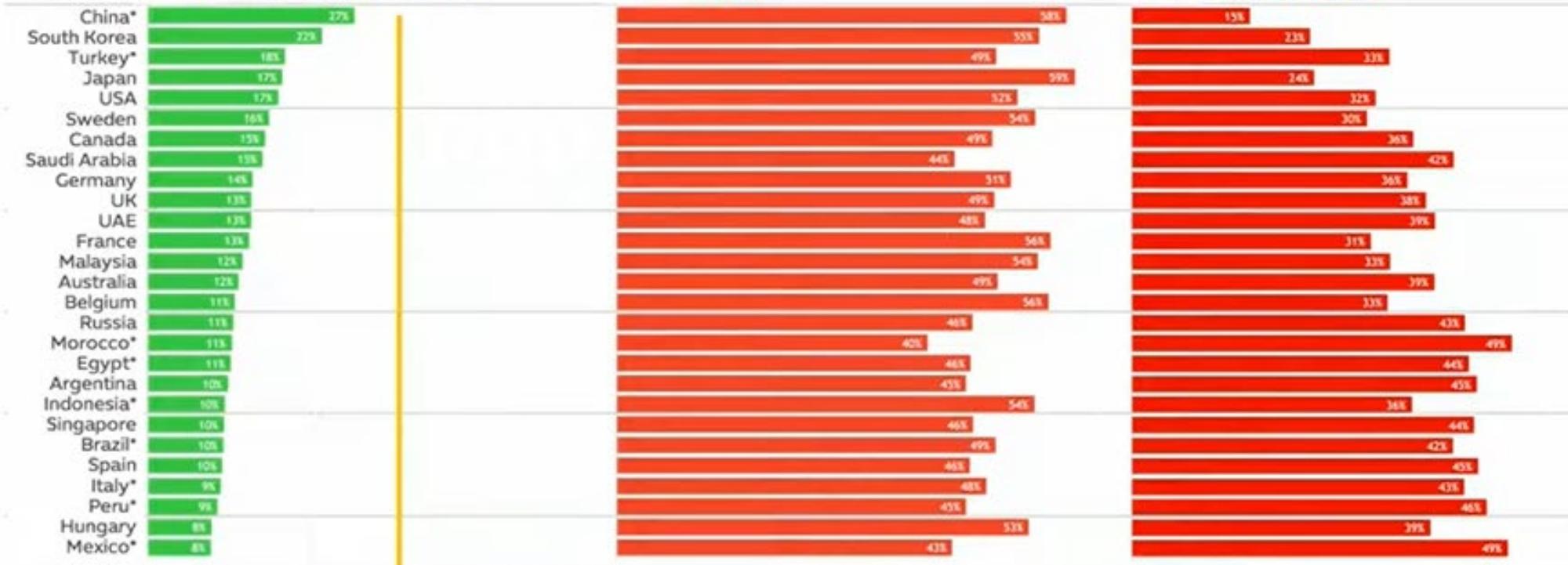
**B 14%**

**A 24%**

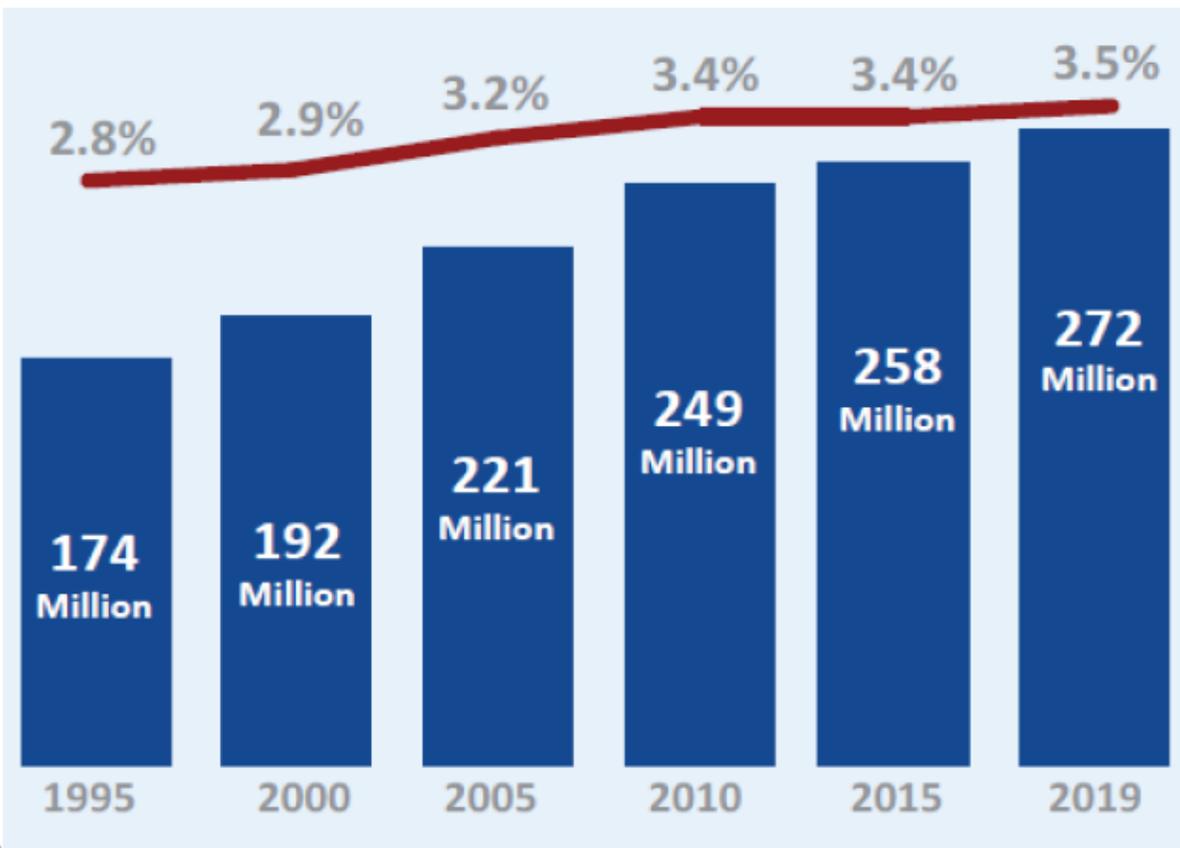
RESULTS **12% CORRECT ANSWERS**

**49% WRONG**

**39% VERY WRONG**



## Number of international migrants worldwide

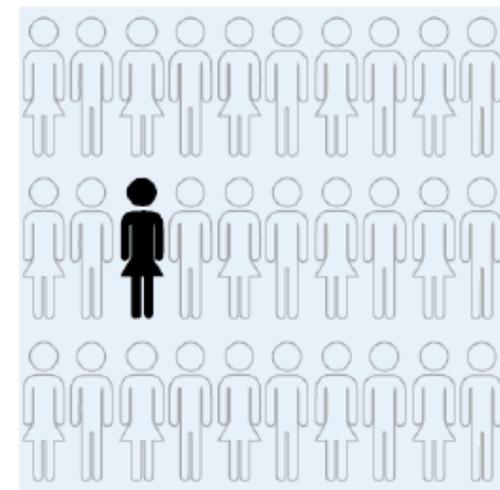


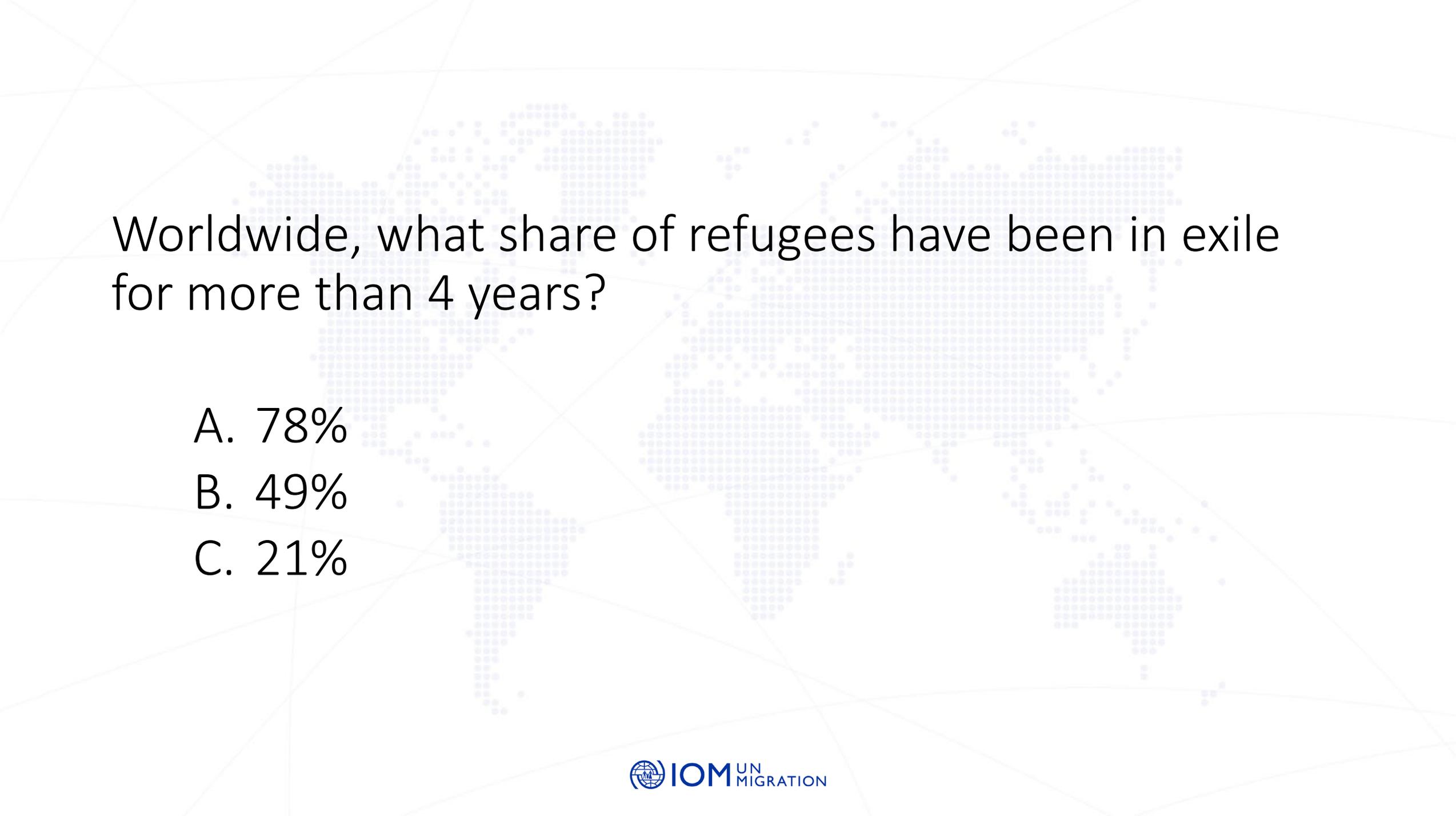
IOM, *World Migration Report 2020*

The international migrant population globally has increased in size but remained relatively stable as a proportion of the world's population.

In 2019, there were 272 million international migrants, representing 3.5% of the global population.

1 in every 30 people is a migrant





Worldwide, what share of refugees have been in exile for more than 4 years?

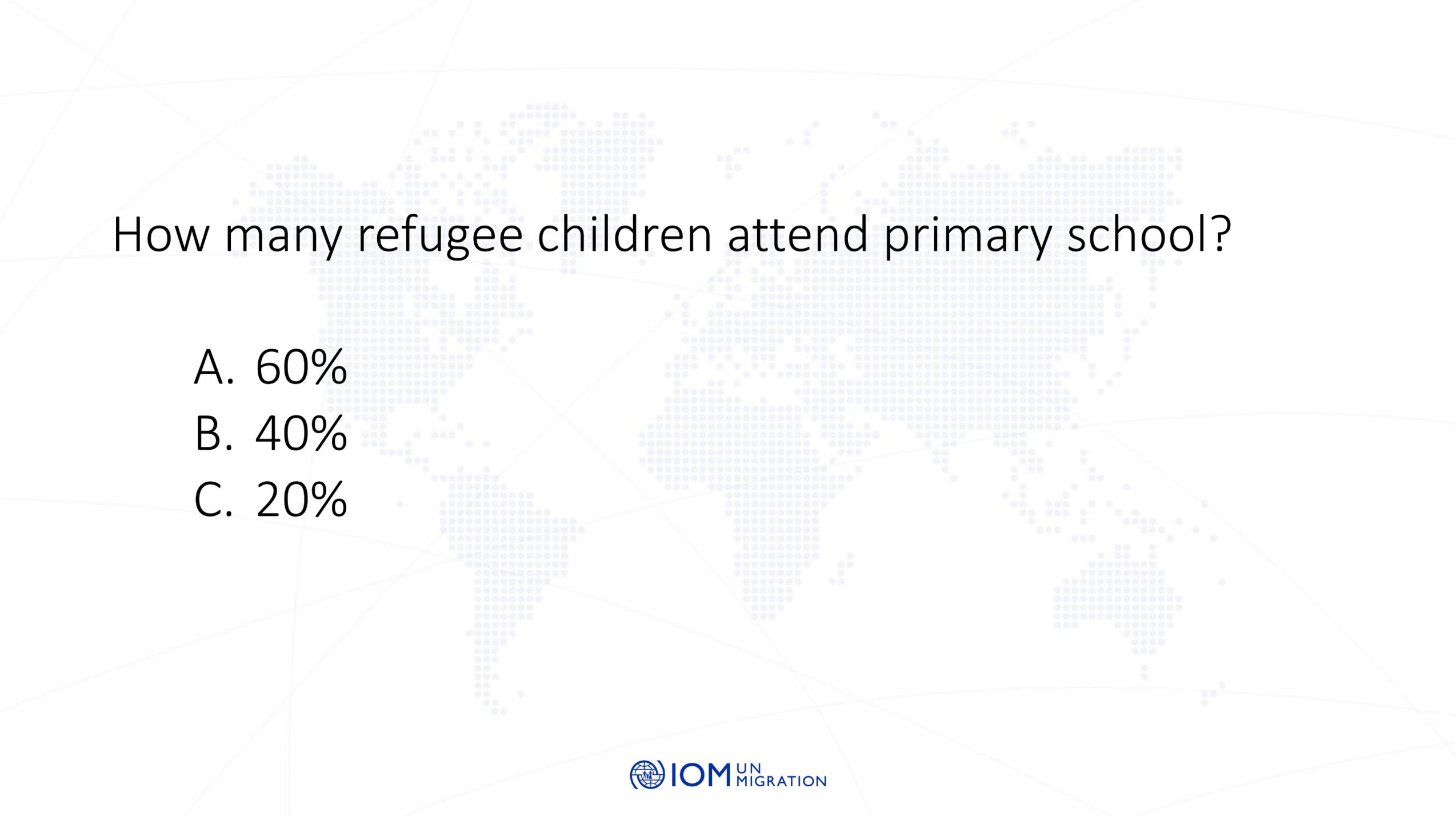
A. 78%

B. 49%

C. 21%

*Worldwide, what share of refugees have been in exile for more than four years?*





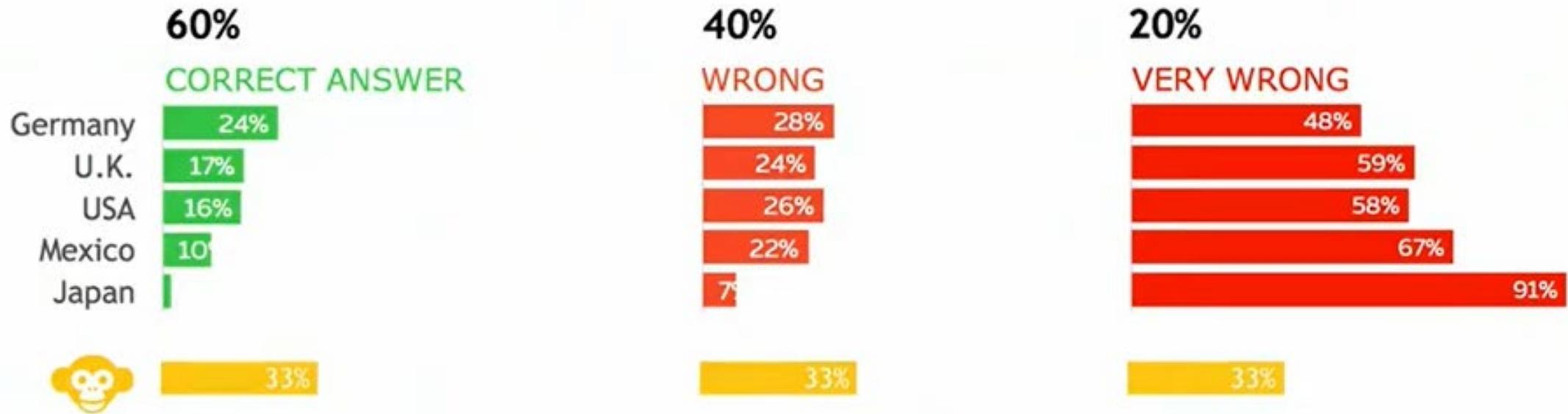
How many refugee children attend primary school?

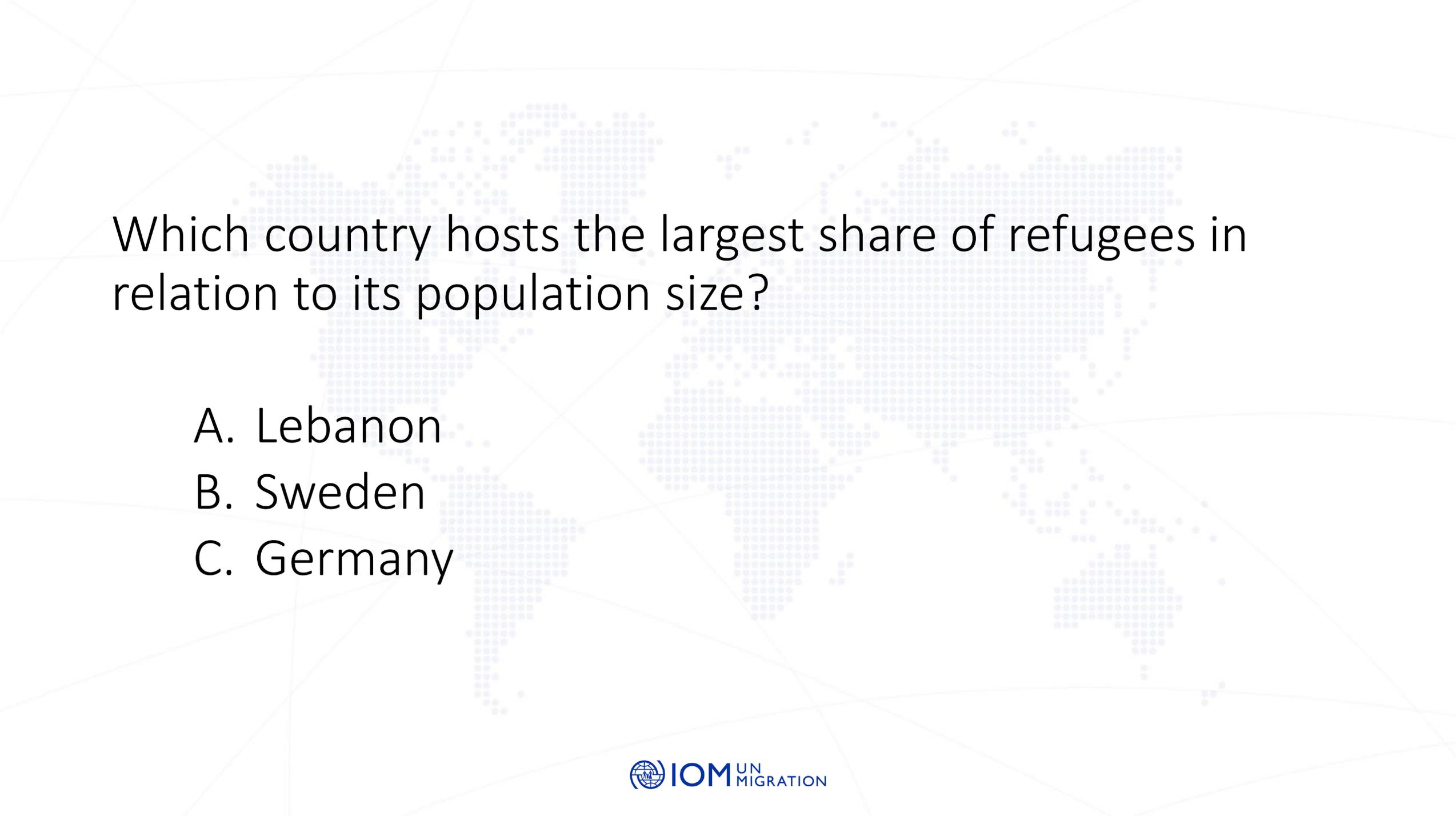
A. 60%

B. 40%

C. 20%

## How many refugee children attend primary school?





Which country hosts the largest share of refugees in relation to its population size?

- A. Lebanon
- B. Sweden
- C. Germany

## Which country hosts the largest share of refugees in relation to its population size?

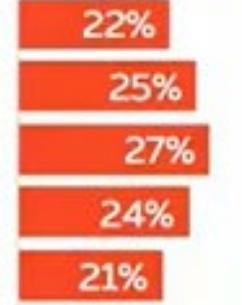
### Lebanon

CORRECT ANSWER



### Sweden

WRONG



### Germany

VERY WRONG

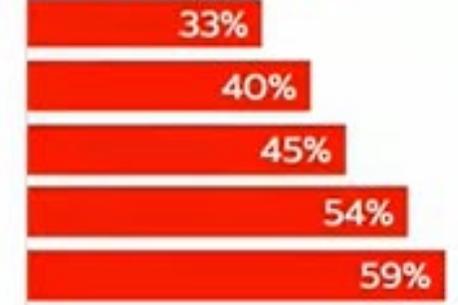
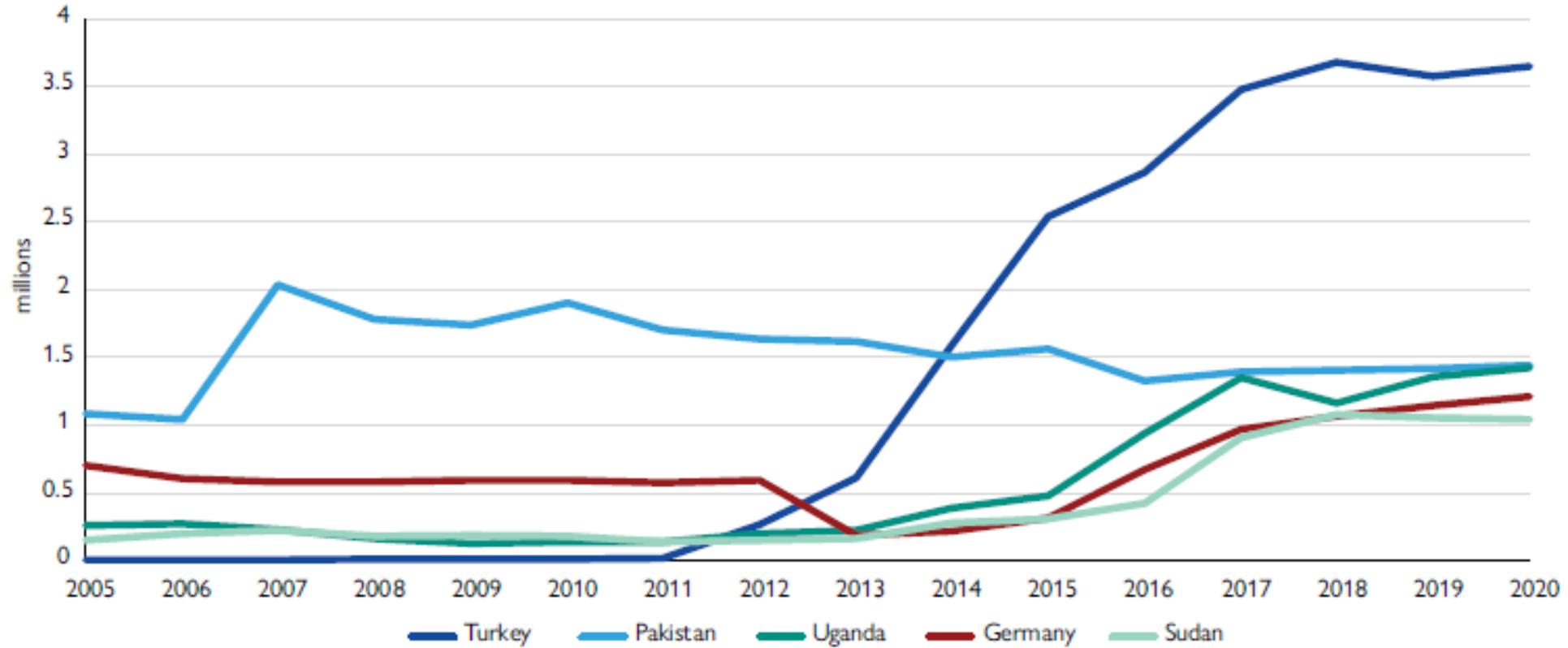
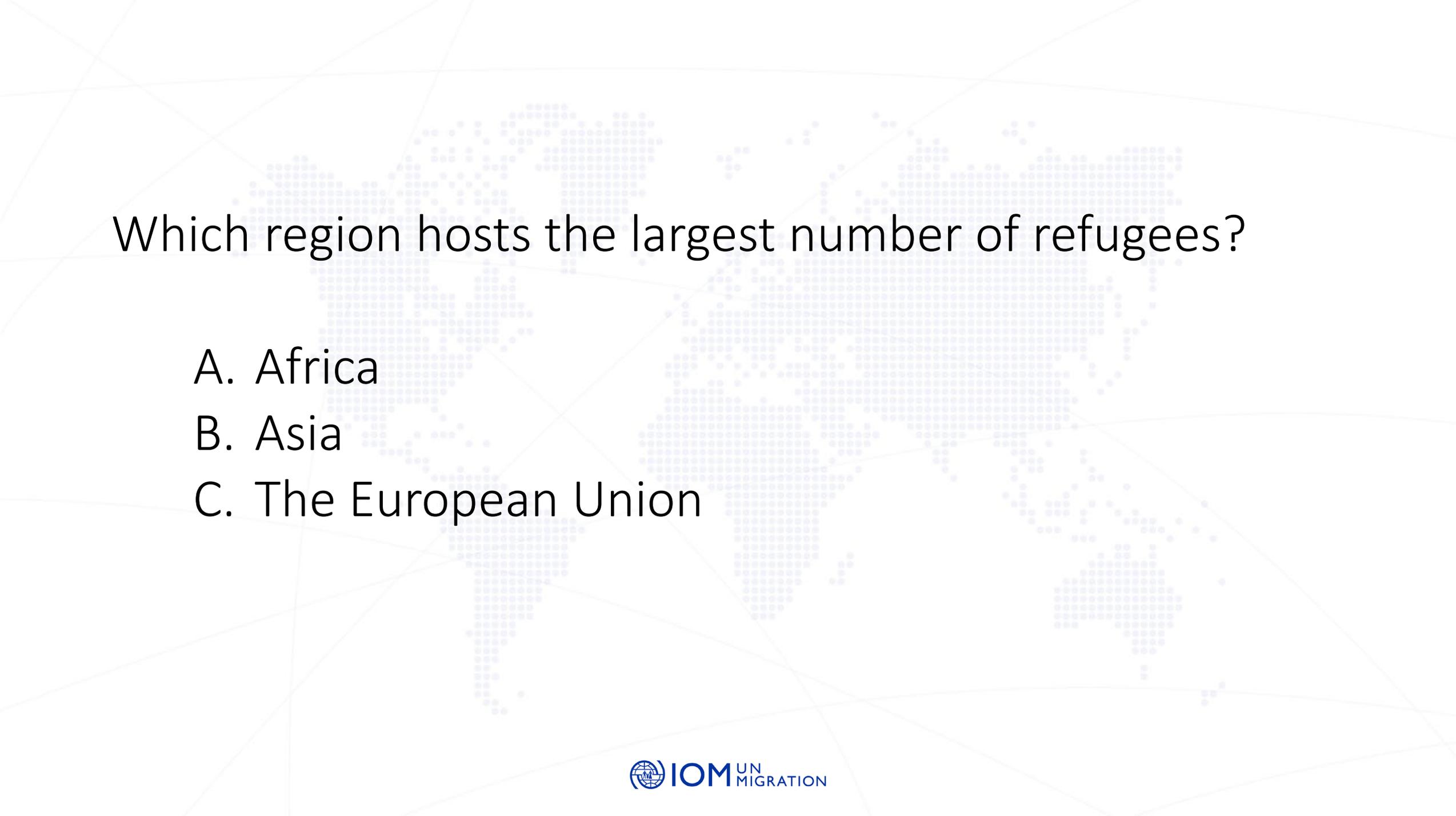


Figure 16. Number of refugees by top five host countries as of 2020 (millions)



Source: UNHCR, n.d.a (accessed 23 June 2021).



Which region hosts the largest number of refugees?

A. Africa

B. Asia

C. The European Union

## Which region hosts the largest number of refugees?

### Africa

CORRECT ANSWER



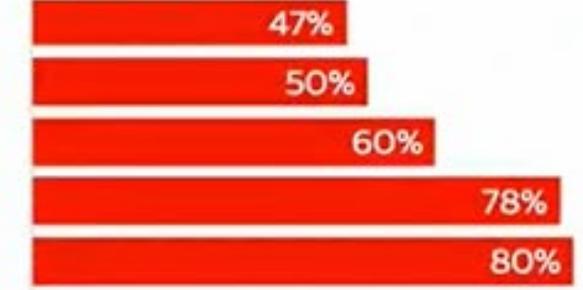
### Asia

WRONG



### The European Union

VERY WRONG



# Public Perceptions

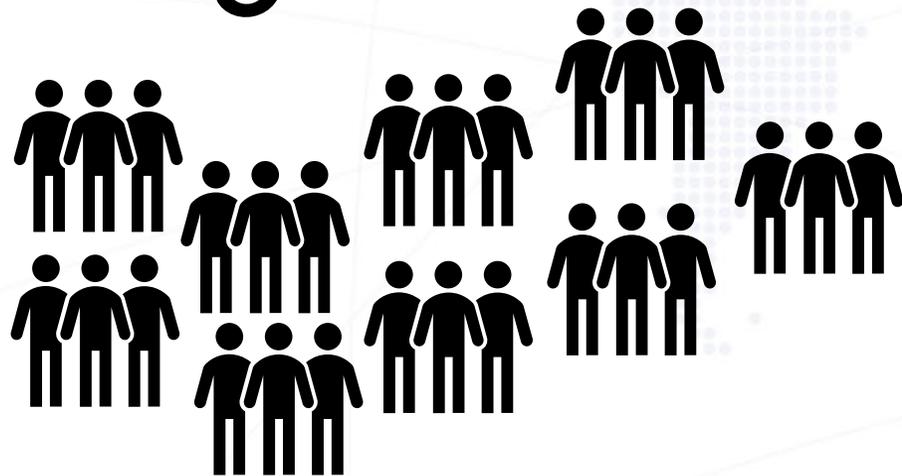
There are a lot of migrants!

Migration increases crime

Migrants are net tax recipients

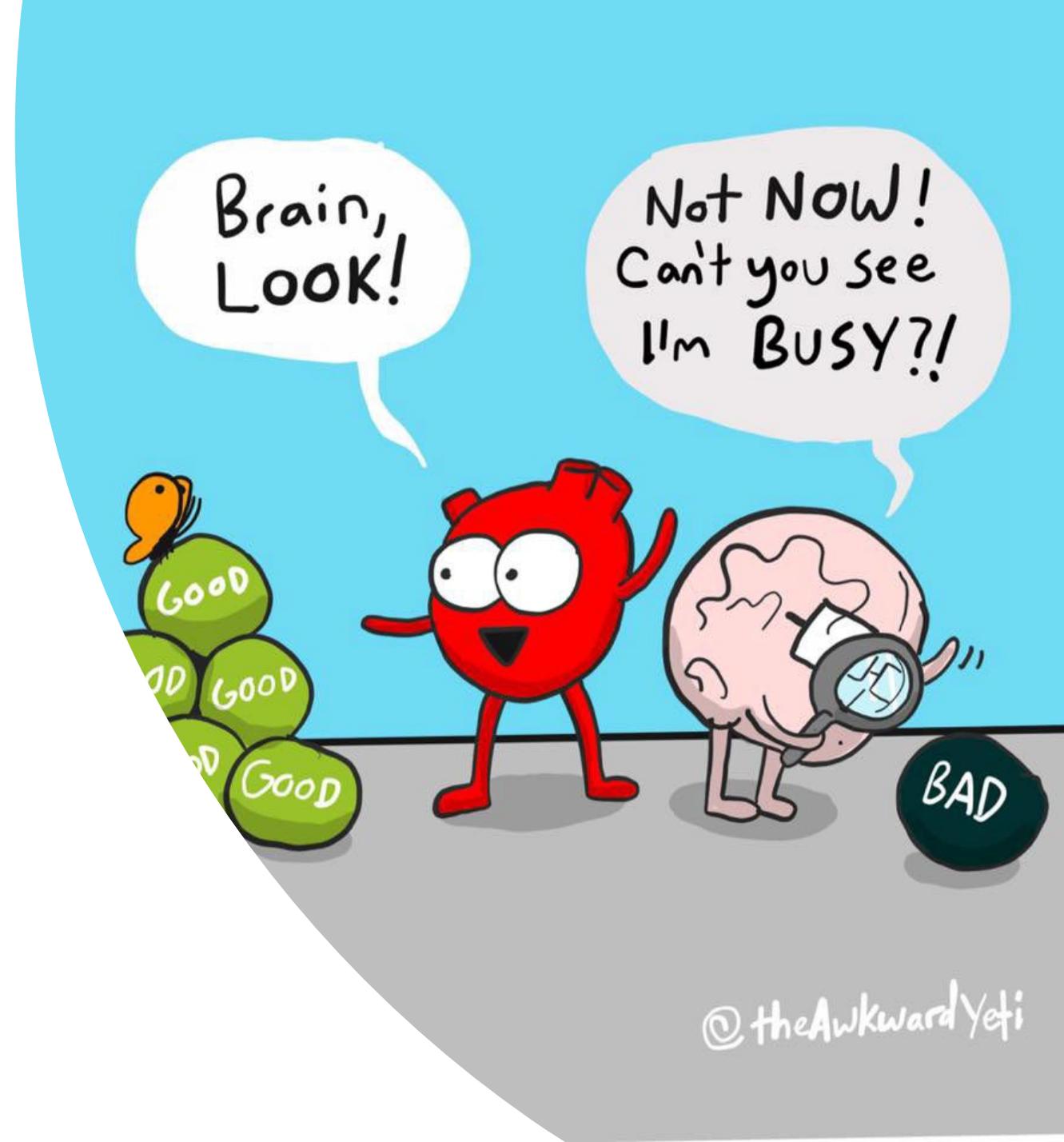
Migrants are less educated

Migrants are Muslim



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# BIASES





3549  
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101

VISA

A 150 m

A 250 m

UTILICE EL CINTURON  
SALVA TU VIDA



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# Evidence generation at IOM



# International Organization for Migration

**Who We Are:** IOM is the leading intergovernmental organization in the field of migration.

**Our Mission:** Migration for the benefit of all

# IOM – Development

**1951**

Founded as the Provisional Intergovernmental Committee for the Movement of Migrants from Europe” (PICMME) following WWII

**1952**

PICMME becomes the Intergovernmental Committee for European Migration (ICEM)

**1980**

ICEM becomes the Intergovernmental Committee for Migration (ICM) during the Indochinese refugee crisis

**1989**

ICM becomes the International Organization for Migration (IOM)

**2016**

IOM joins the United Nations as a Related Organization



# IOM – Today

174 Member States  
8 Observer States

Highest Decision-Making Body: Council  
(One vote per Member State)

Headquarters in Geneva

Ca. 580 offices world-wide

Ca. 16.000+ staff



# Our Activities



## IOM works across the following areas:

- Emergency, Post-crisis and Disaster Risk Reduction
- Refugee Resettlement
- Integration
- Assisted Voluntary Return and Reintegration
- Labor Migration
- Immigration and Border Management
- Migration Health
- Counter Trafficking
- Migration and Development
- Research, Migration Policy, and Migration Law

# Data and Evidence Generation at IOM

World Migration Fact Checker's Toolkit: [link](#)

World Migration Report (WMR): <https://worldmigrationreport.iom.int/>

Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM): <https://dtm.iom.int/>

Global Migration Data Analysis Center (GMDAC): <https://gmdac.iom.int/>

Migration Data Portal: <https://www.migrationdataportal.org/about>

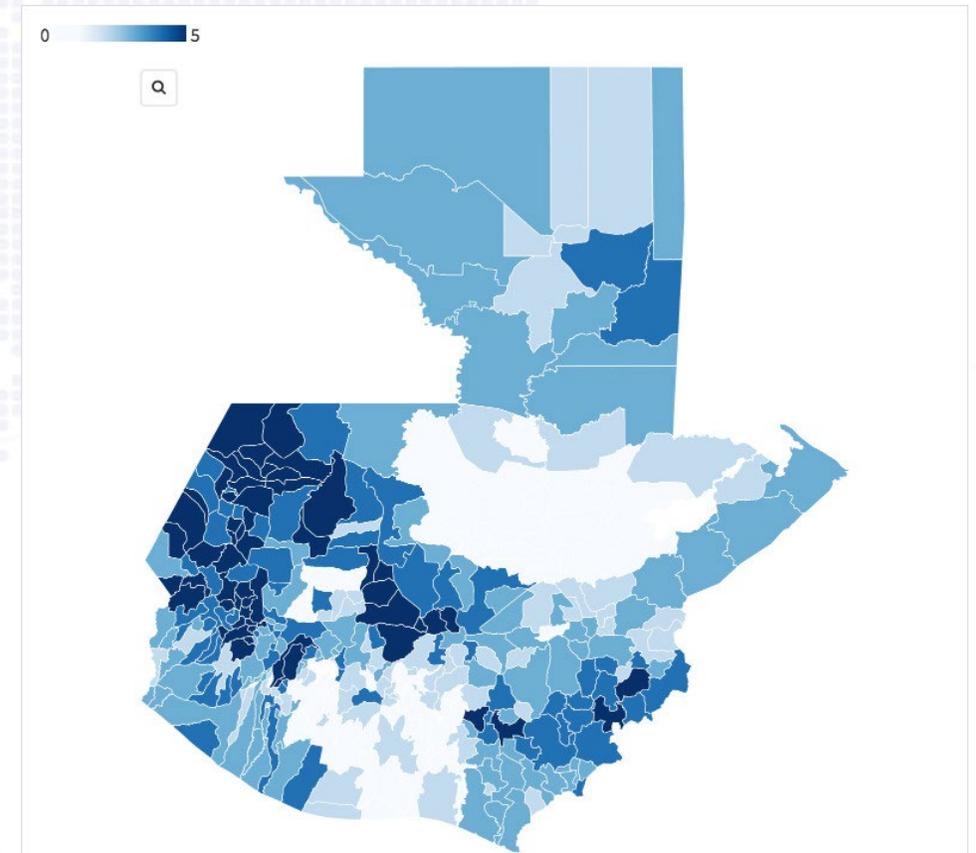
Missing Migrants Project: <https://missingmigrants.iom.int/>

Global Data Hub on Human Trafficking: <https://www.ctdatacollaborative.org/>

# Evidence generation at project level

## Addressing the Root Causes of Irregular Migration in Guatemala (\$50M)

- Biden-Harris Strategy for Northern Triangle
- Context Guatemala
  - ~120,000 irregular migrants/year (return as proxy), male, btw 25-39 years
  - 70% migrate for lack of economic opportunities
  - Population of 16.8M (0,7% of population)
  - Geographically concentrated
- IOM/USAID 5-year project



# Root Causes Project Guatemala

Tasked with answering the following

- What are the root causes?
- How to address them?

Challenges

- Relationship between development and migration
- Targeting

Approach

- Pilot and test



Thank you

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