

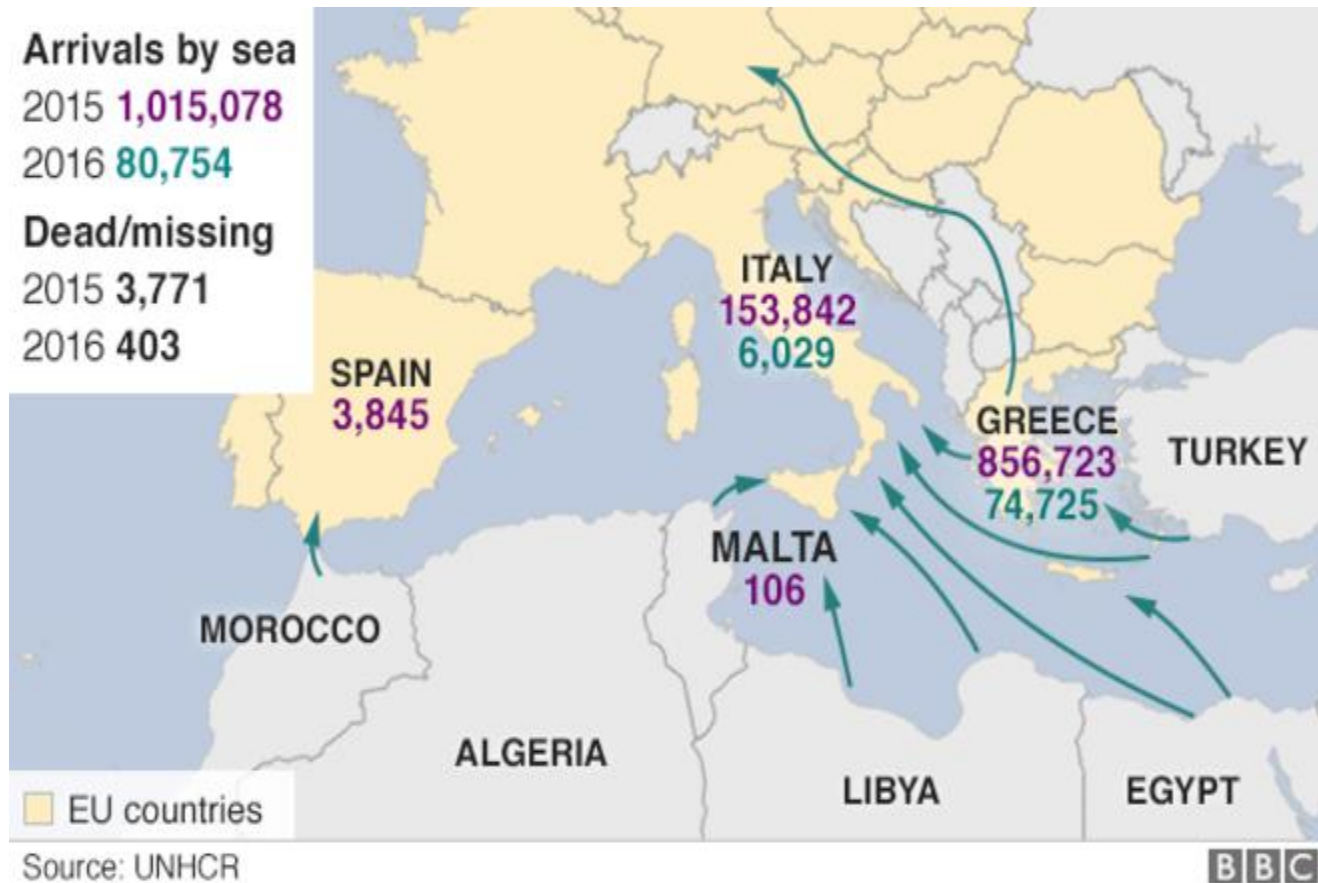
The Migration Crisis in Europe: The March of the Populist Right?

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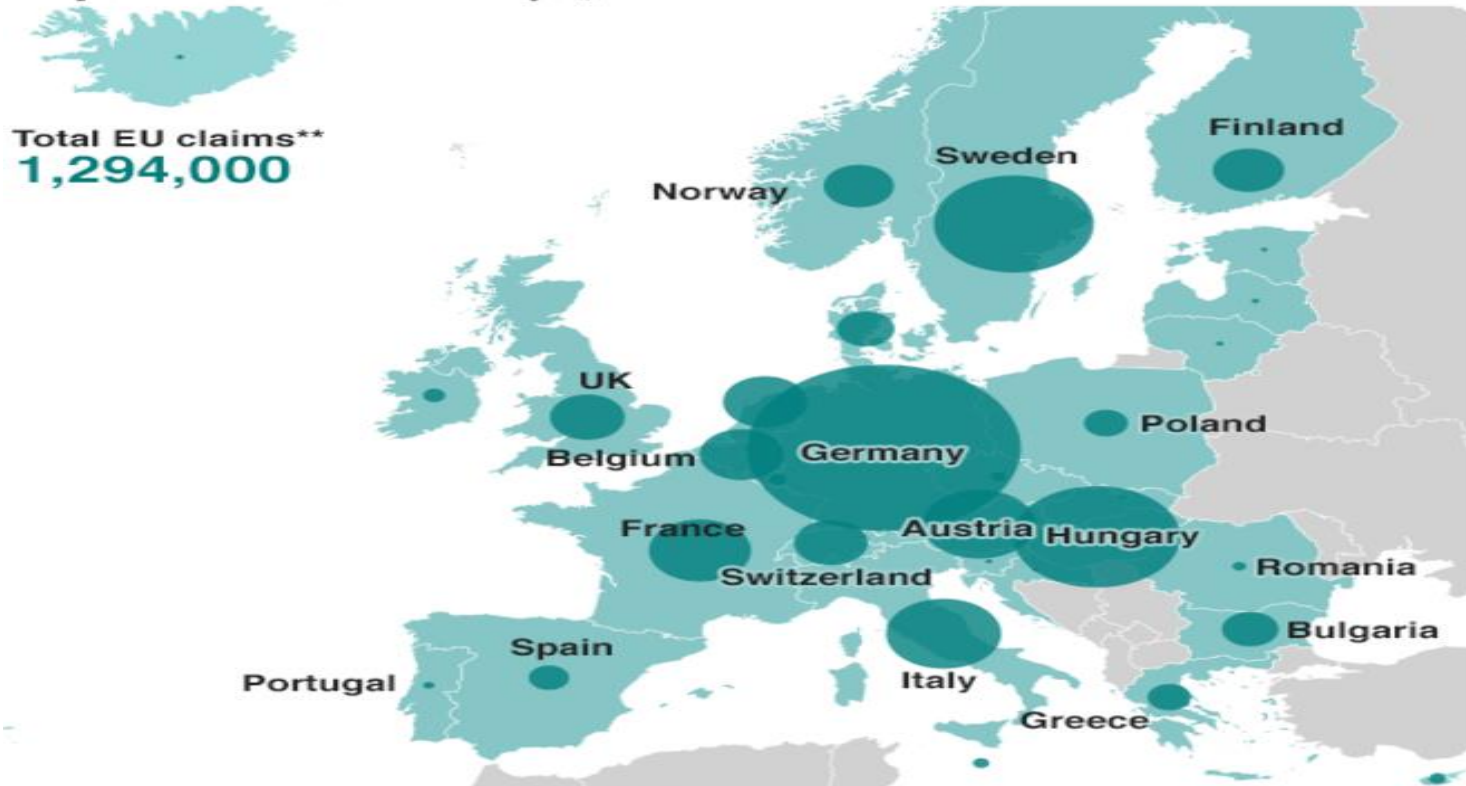
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The Scale of the Migration Crisis

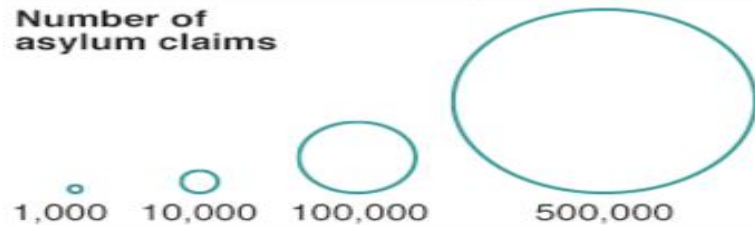


Asylum claims in Europe, 2015*

Total EU claims**
1,294,000



Number of
asylum claims



■ No data

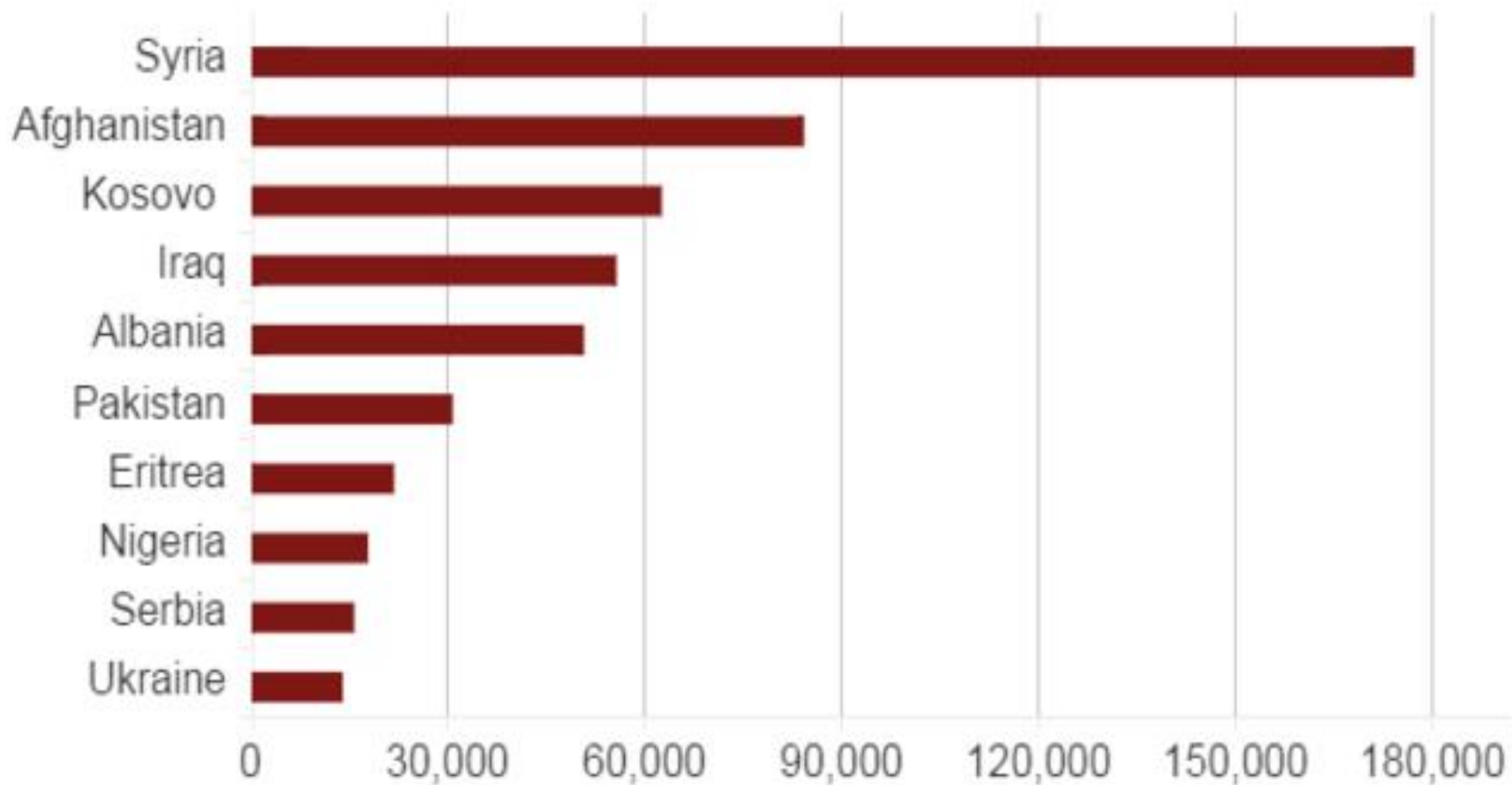
*The data is to the end of the year where available, although some countries have not yet reported figures for October, November or December.

** Map also shows claims for non-EU members Norway and Switzerland

Source: Eurostat

Top 10 origins of people applying for asylum in the EU

January - October 2015, first-time applications



Electoral Story...



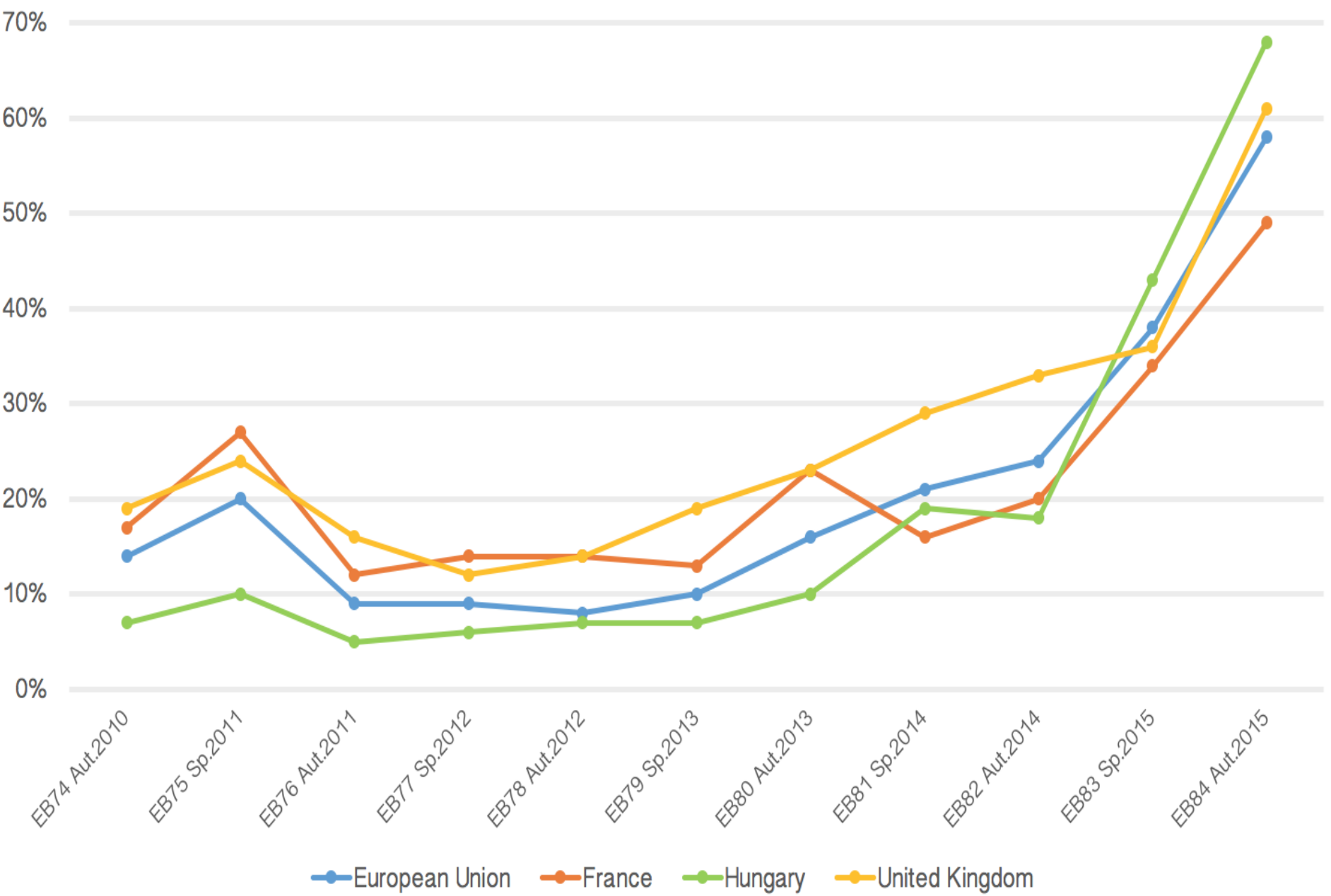
	Last election*	Current average	Change
Austria	24	32	+8
Finland	17.6	11	-6.6
France (Le Pen)	17.9	29	+11.1
Hungary (Orban)	28	43	+15
Italy	4.0	14	+10
Netherlands	10.1	35	+25
Sweden	12.9	23	+10.1
Switzerland	26.6 (2011)	29.4	+2.8
United Kingdom	12.7	13	+0.3

Migrant route to Germany

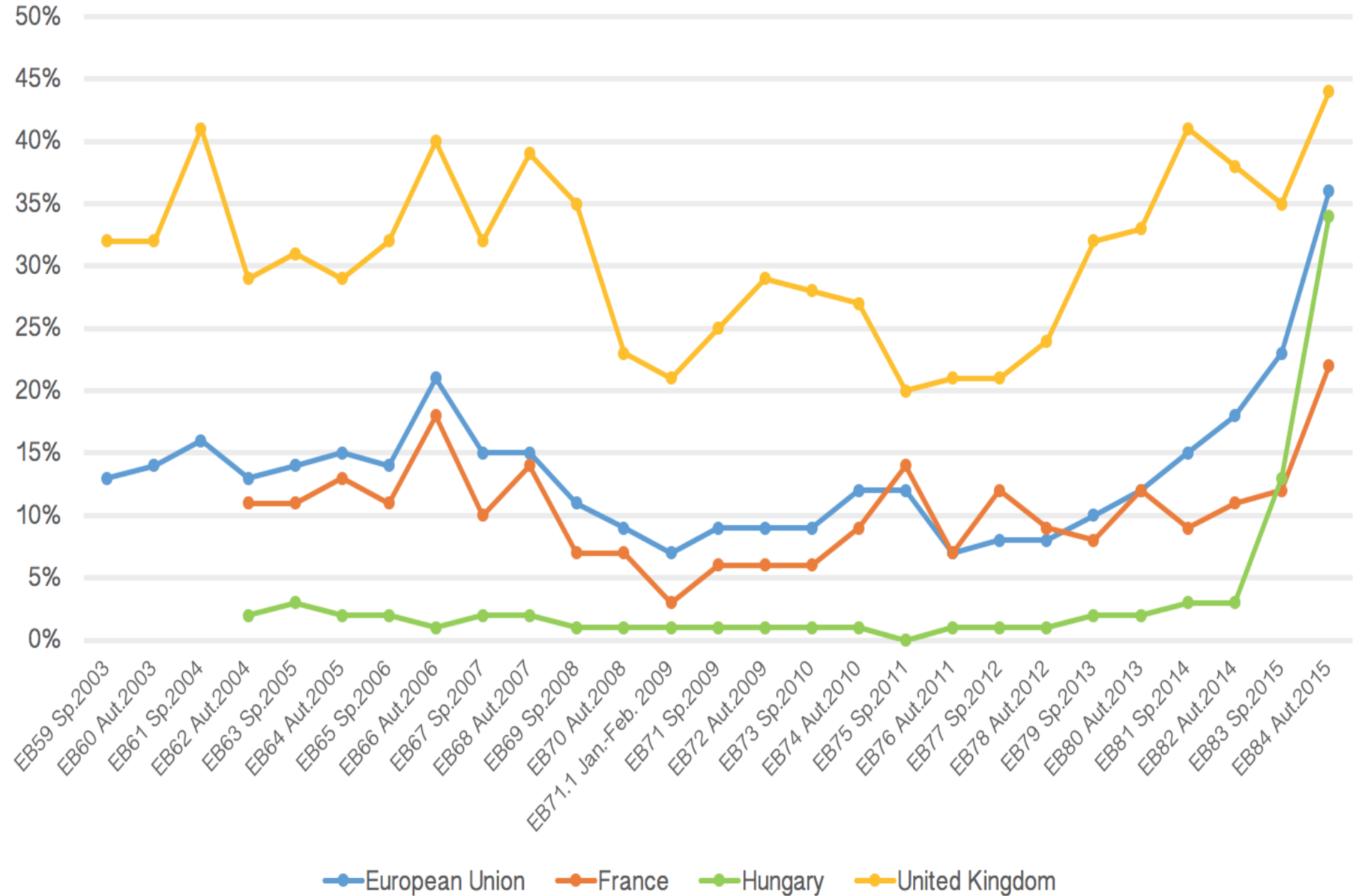


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% 'Immigration'

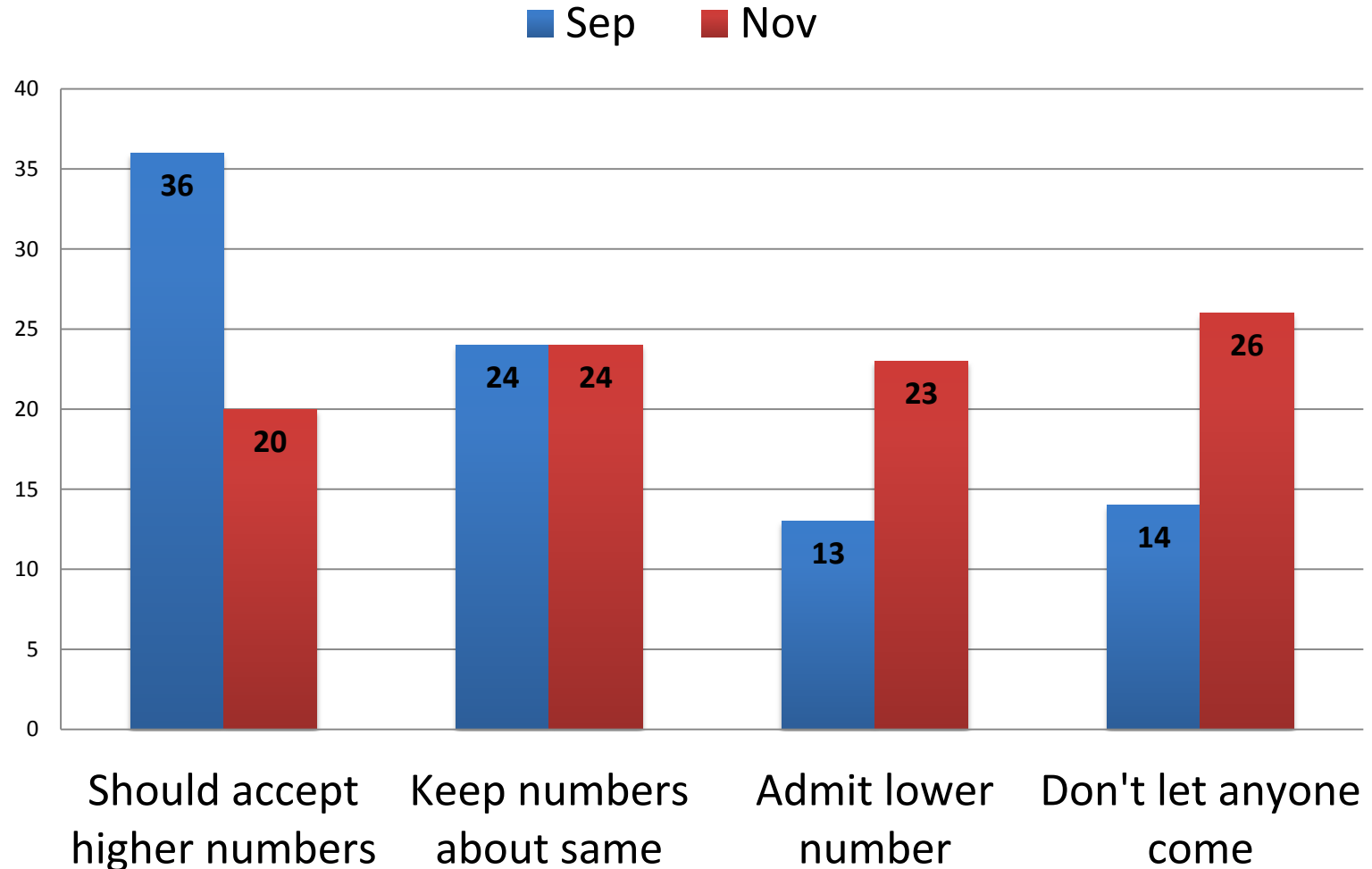


What do you think are the two most important issues facing (OUR COUNTRY) at the moment?
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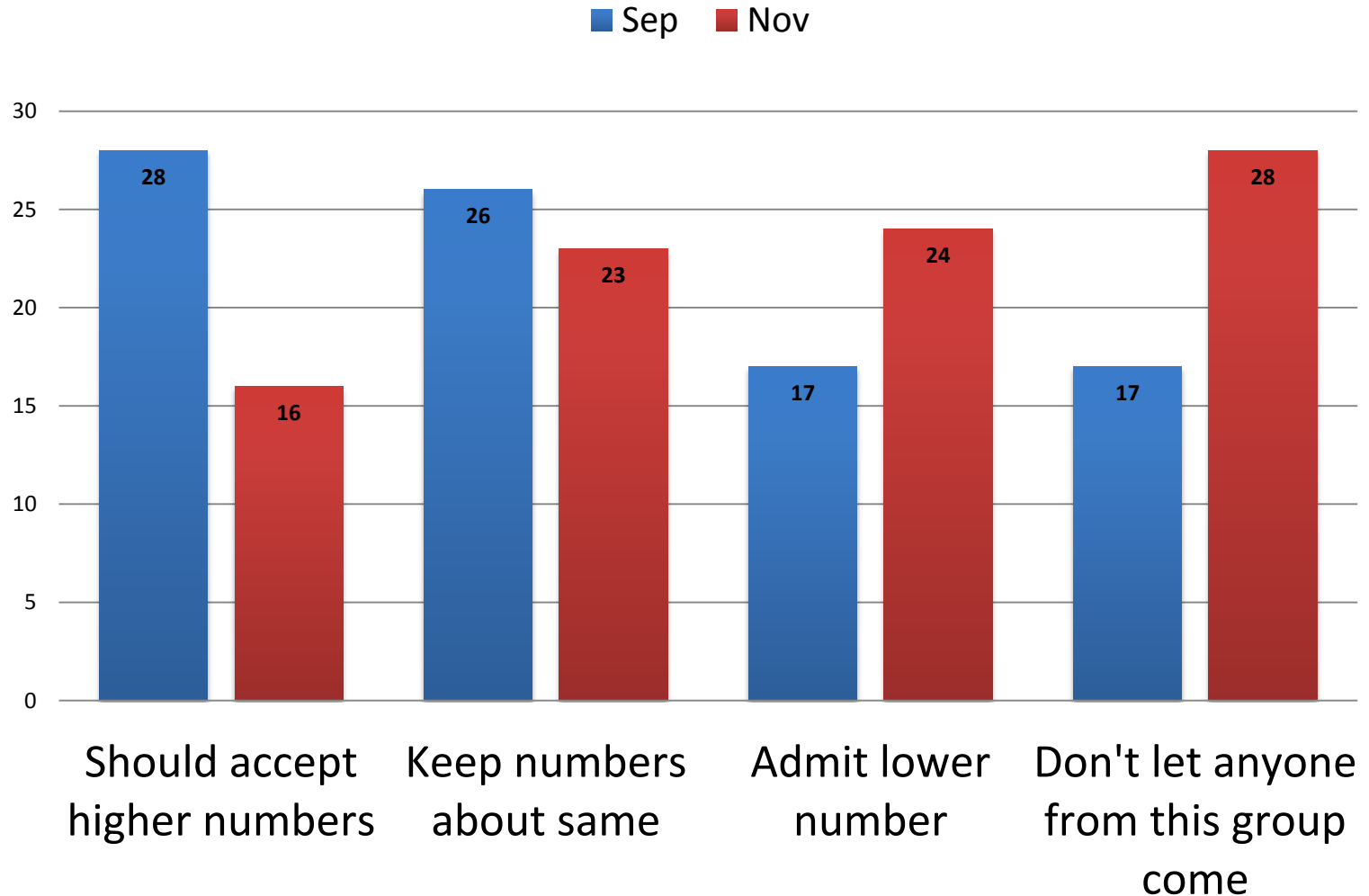
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'Do you think Britain should admit new refugees fleeing war in Syria?'



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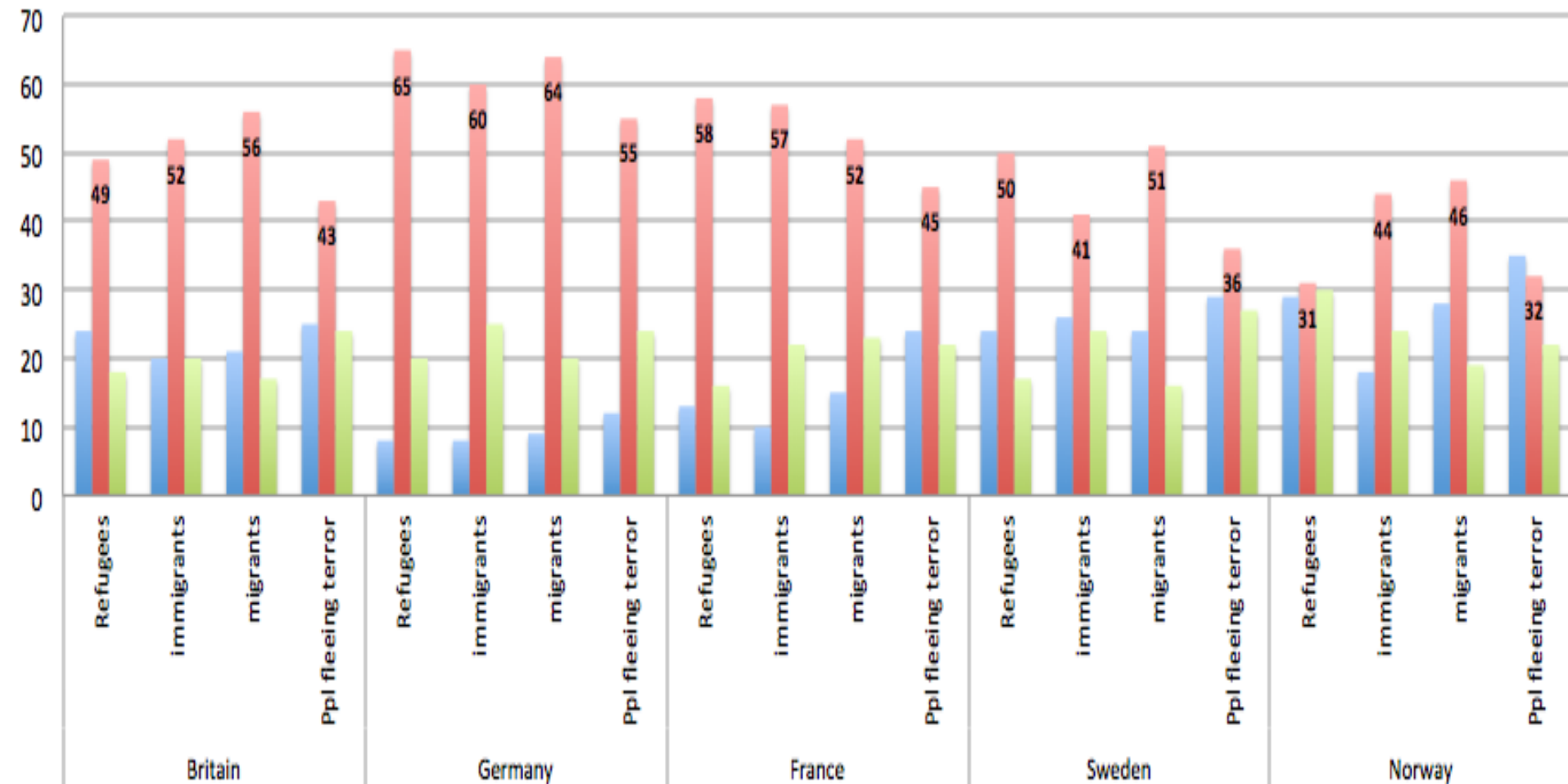
'Do you think Britain should admit refugees fleeing war elsewhere, such as Libya, Iraq or Eritrea?'



The wider picture in Europe

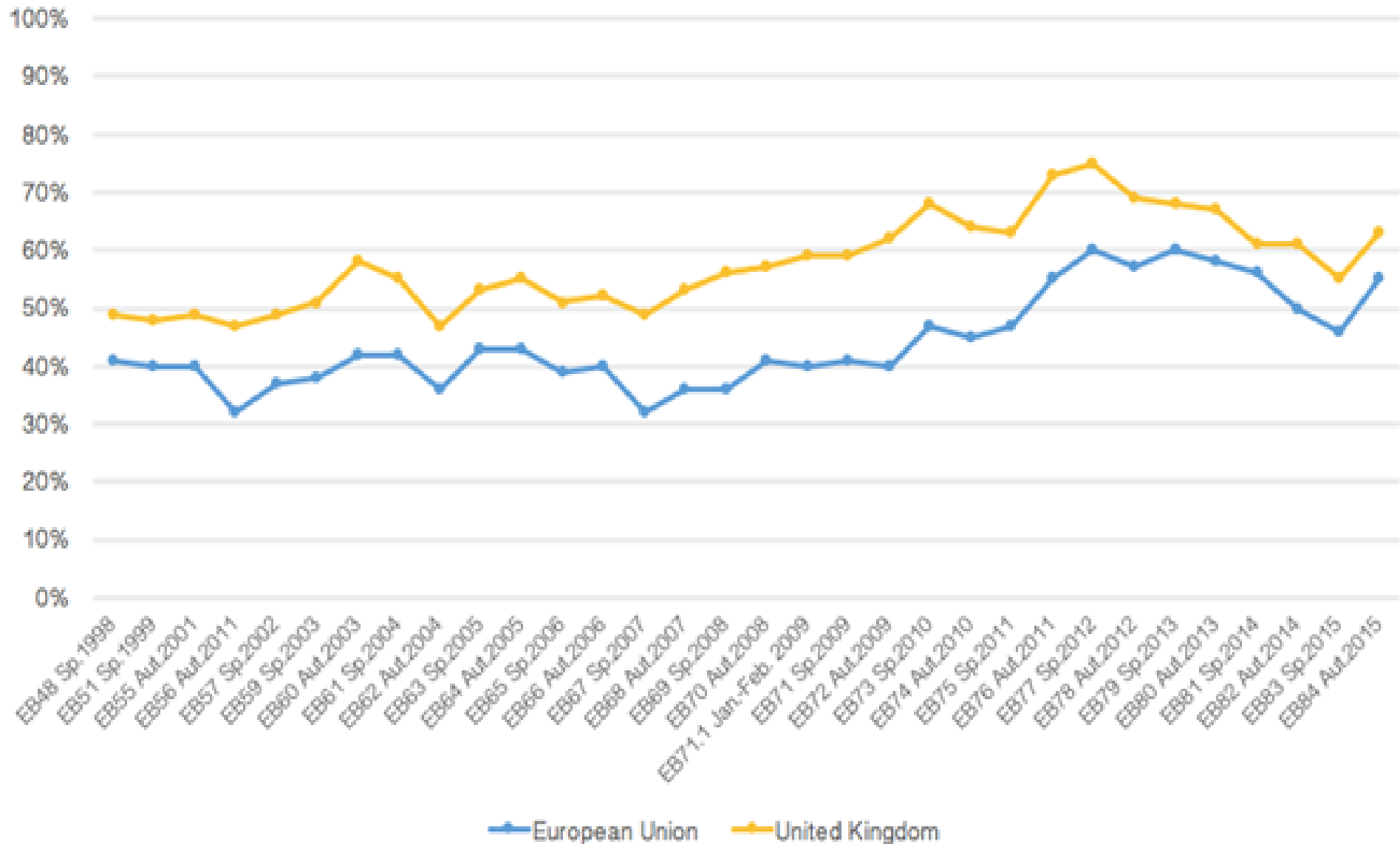
Do you think [country] should accept more or fewer... (YouGov, Sep 22 2015)

Accept more Fewer Same number



I would like to ask you a question about how much trust you have in certain media and institutions. For each of the following media and institutions, please tell me if you tend to trust it or tend not to trust it.

The European Union
% 'Tend not to trust'



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