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Public Health Wales COVID-19 vaccine and Flu survey (March 2021)



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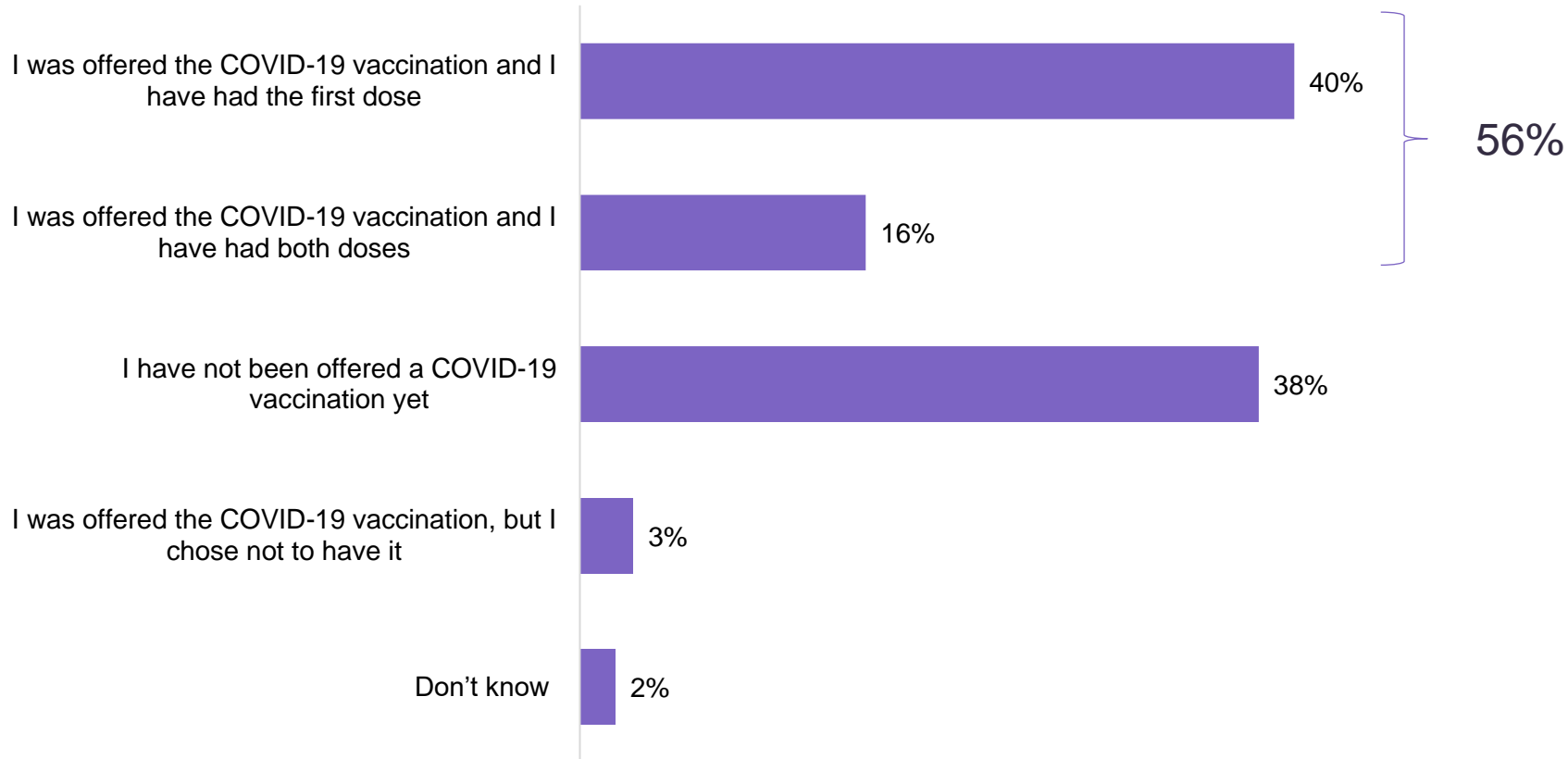
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Method

- This summary report presents the findings from two waves of a short survey of people living in Wales about flu vaccines and COVID-19 vaccines.
- The questions ran on the YouGov Wales Omnibus between 4th and 8th February 2021 with 1,009 responses. The second wave was between 25th and 29th March 2021 with 1,008 responses.
- The data for both waves has been weighted in the same way to be representative of all age 18+ adults in Wales by age, gender, socio-economic status and region.
- All respondents were taken from the YouGov online research panel.
- Some figures may not sum to 100% due to rounding.
- All differences between sub-groups are selected due to statistically significant differences in the data.
- In March over 50's have also been invited to get their first dose of the Covid-19 vaccine

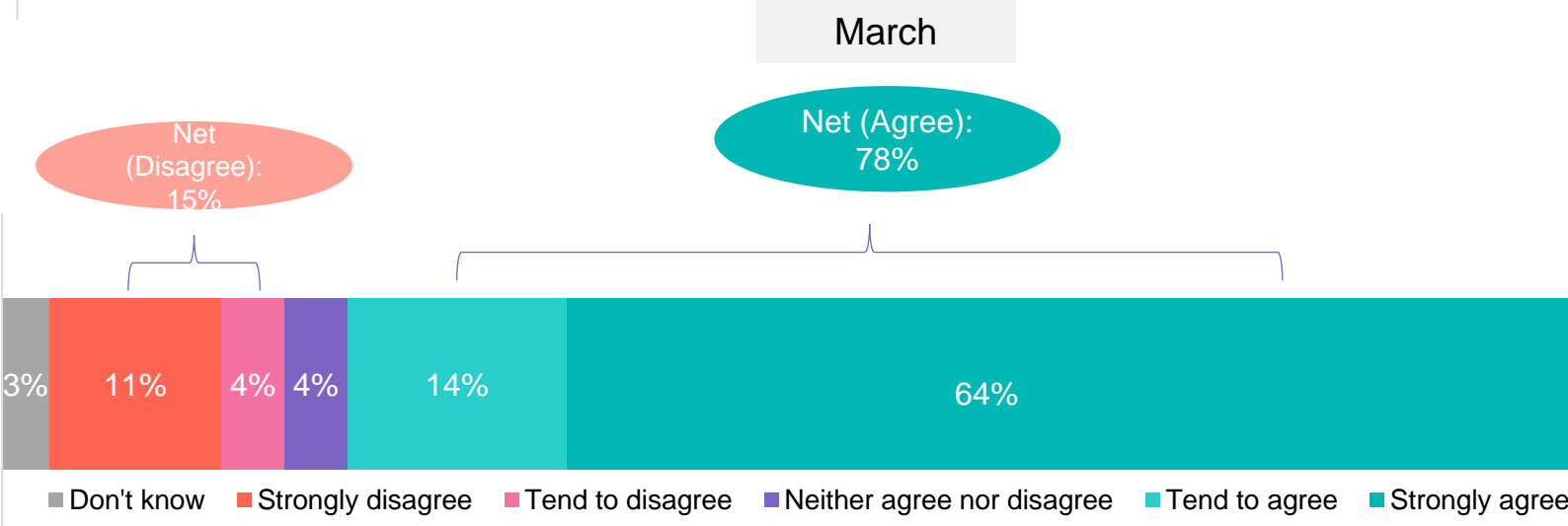
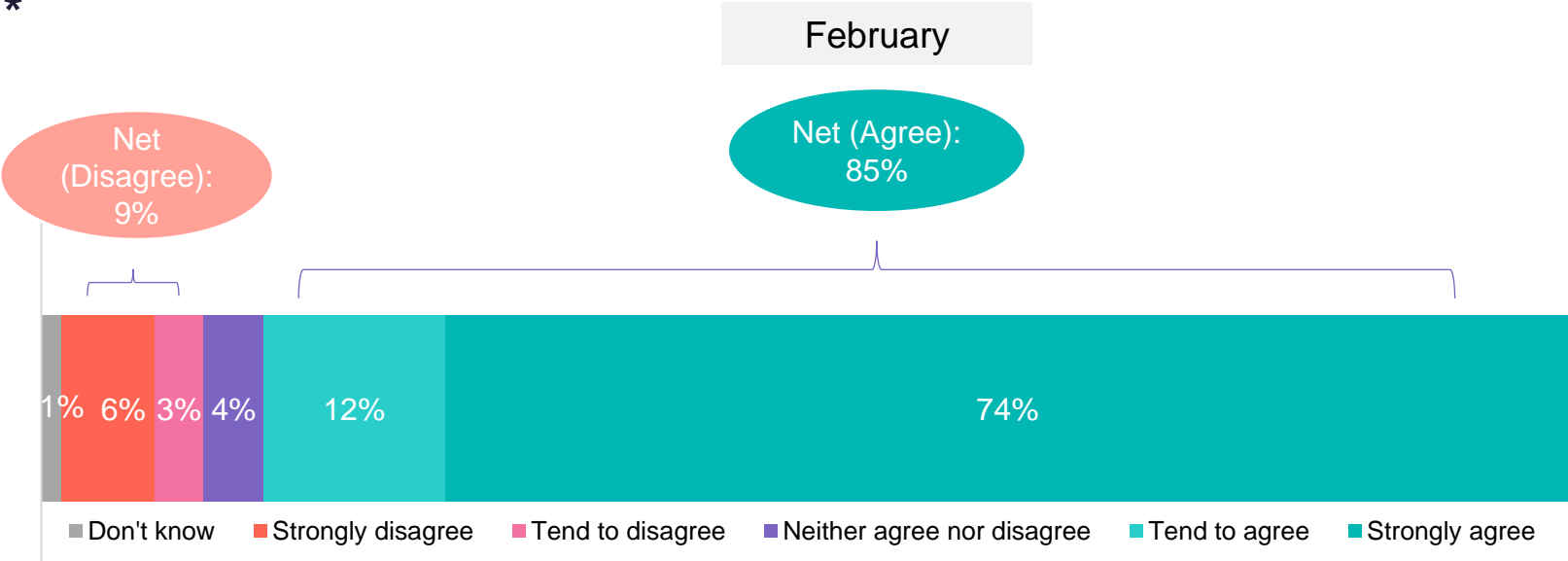


Almost 3 in 5 (56%) have had at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, of which 16% have had both doses



- 20% of females have had both doses in comparison to 13% of males
- 55+ are more likely to have received their first or both doses of the COVID-19 vaccine

83% agree if they were offered the COVID-19 vaccine right now, they would get vaccinated*



• 49% of those 55+ disagree with the statement (Wave 1 and Wave 2)

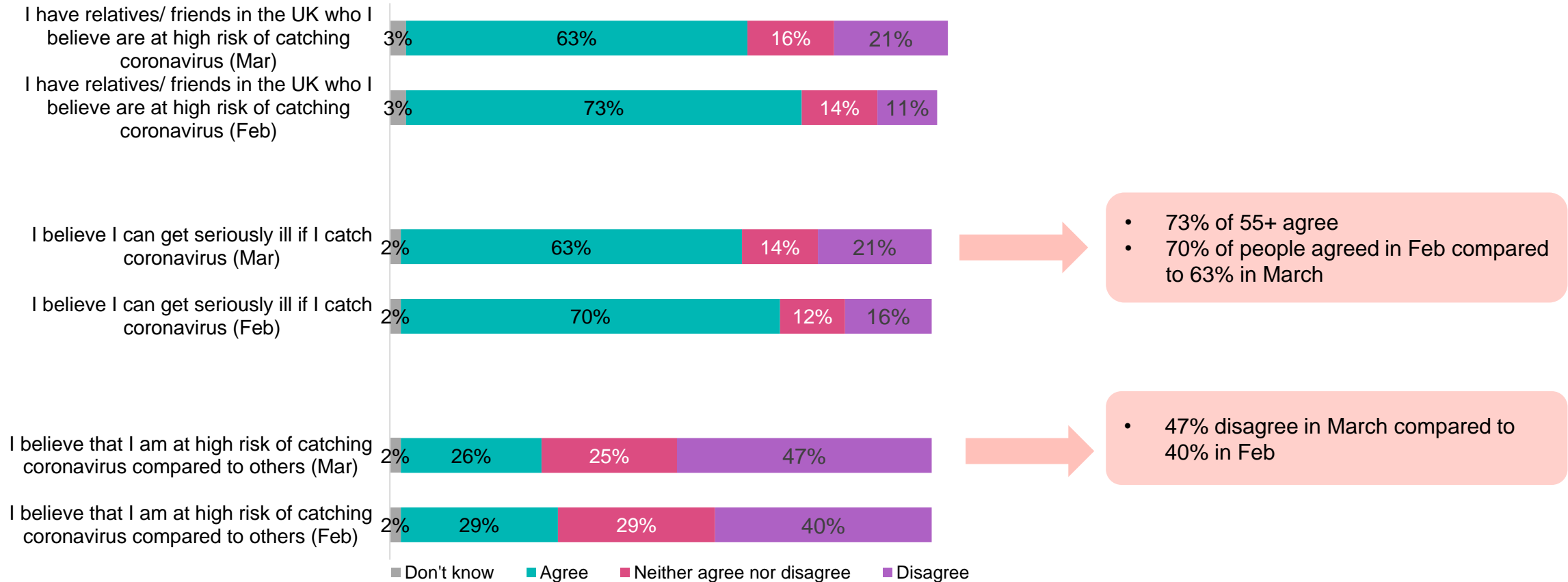


Q1a. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement? "If I was offered the COVID-19 vaccine right now, I would get vaccinated"

Base size (all Wales adults): February 2021 (n=1,009) and (All Wales adults who have not yet been vaccinated) March 2021 (n=416)

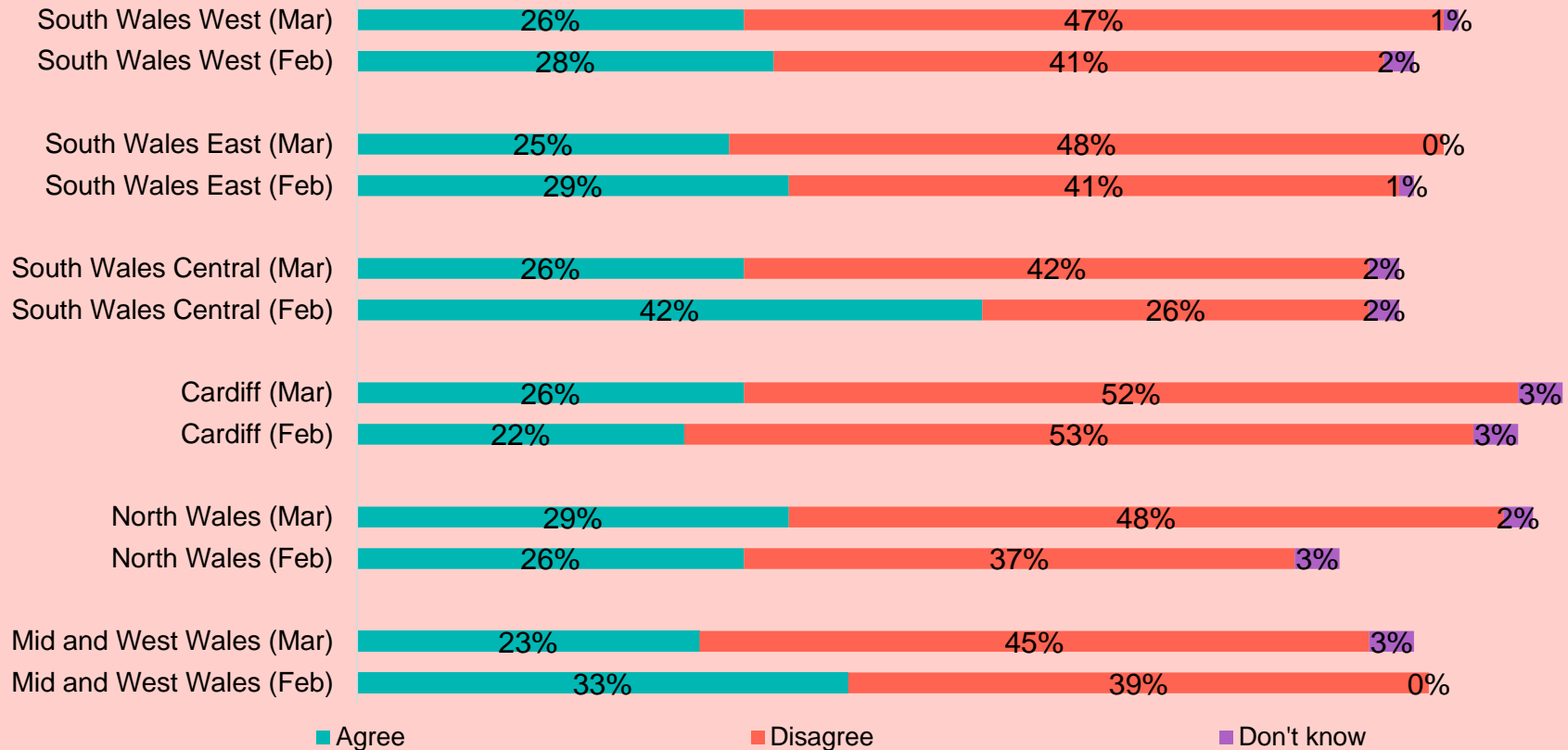
* The figure 83% refers to the merged results from wave 1 and wave 2 of those who said they 'agree' that if they were offered the COVID-19 vaccine right now, they would choose to get vaccinated.

Overall, people are less likely to agree with having friends/family at high risk of catching Coronavirus and believing they can get seriously ill if they catch it in March compared to Feb

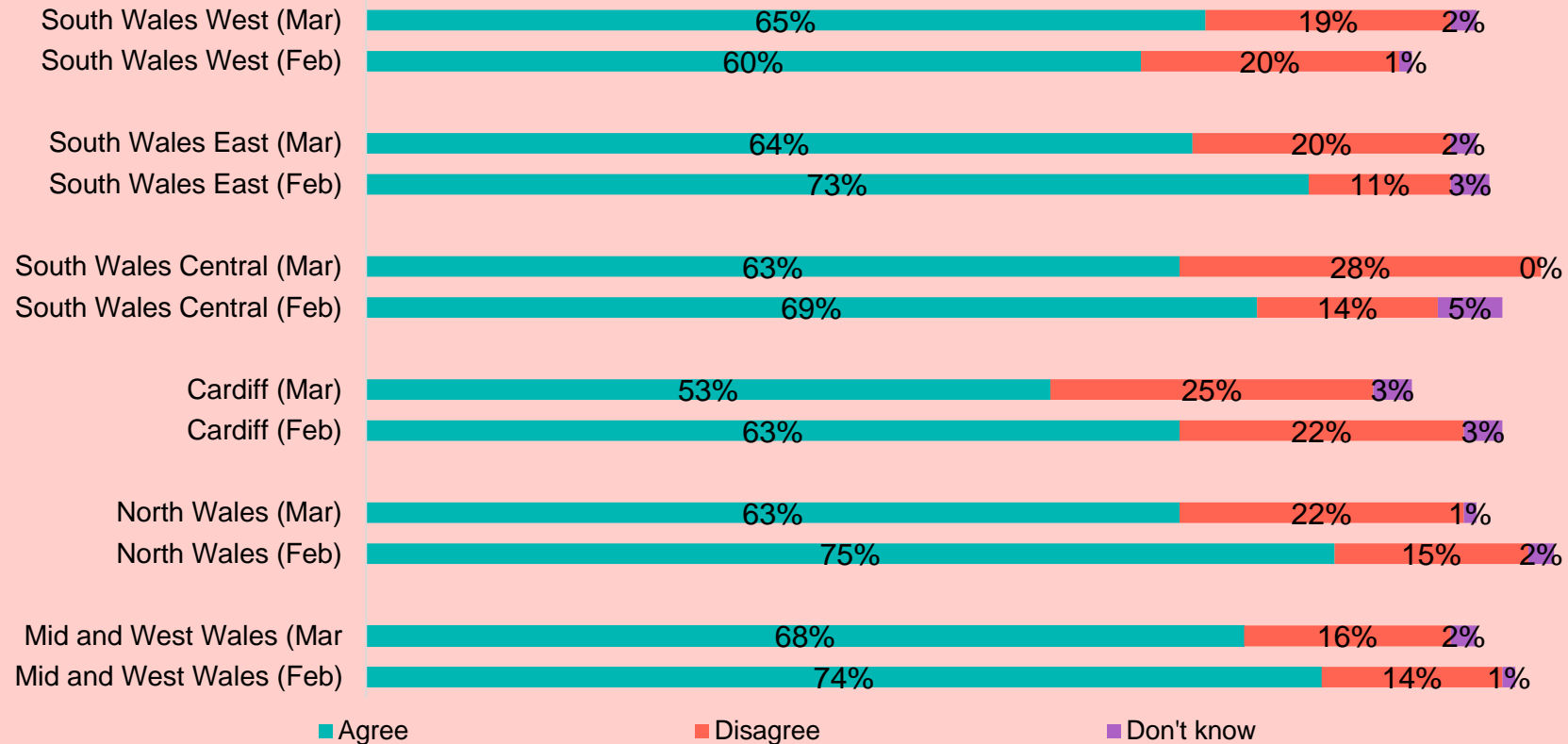


Region Breakdown

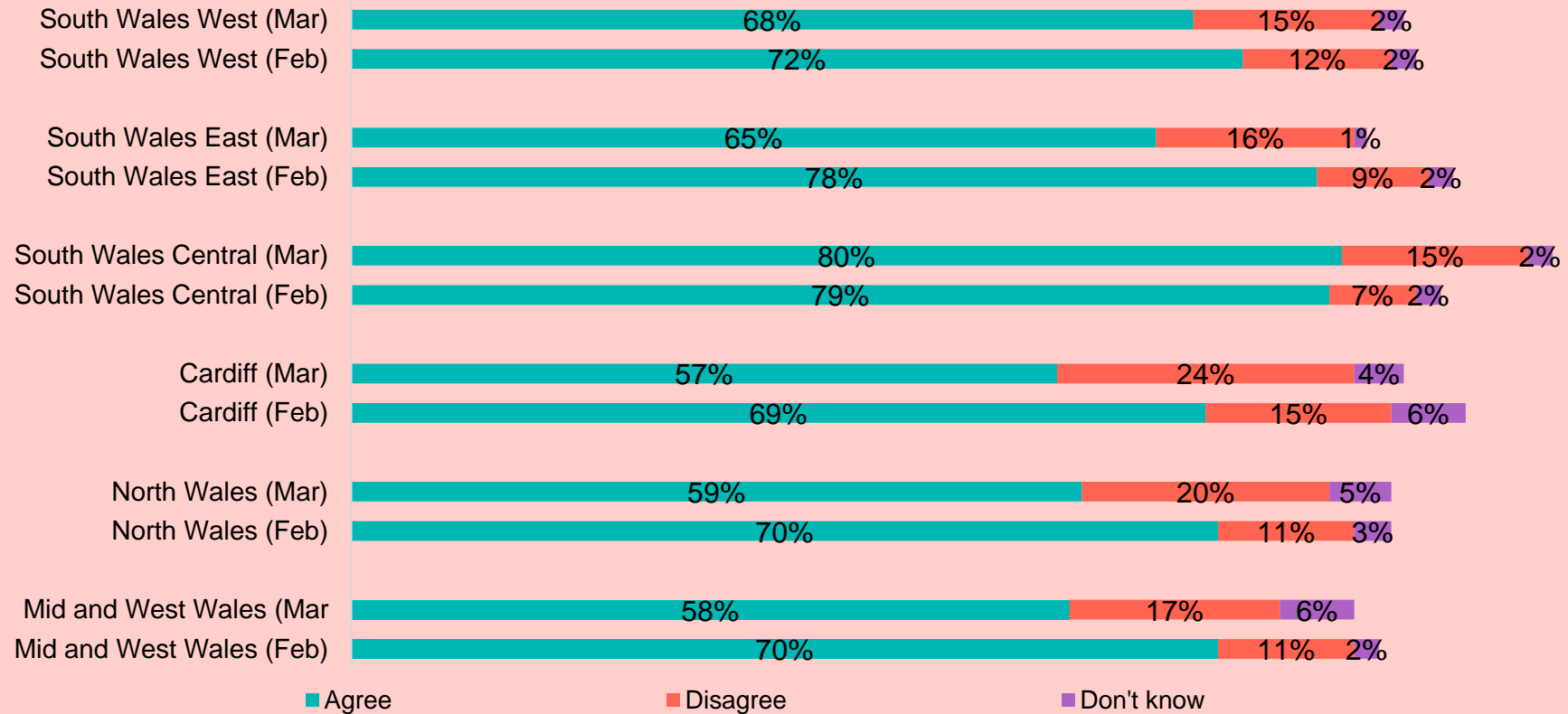
I believe that I am at high risk of catching coronavirus compared to others by region



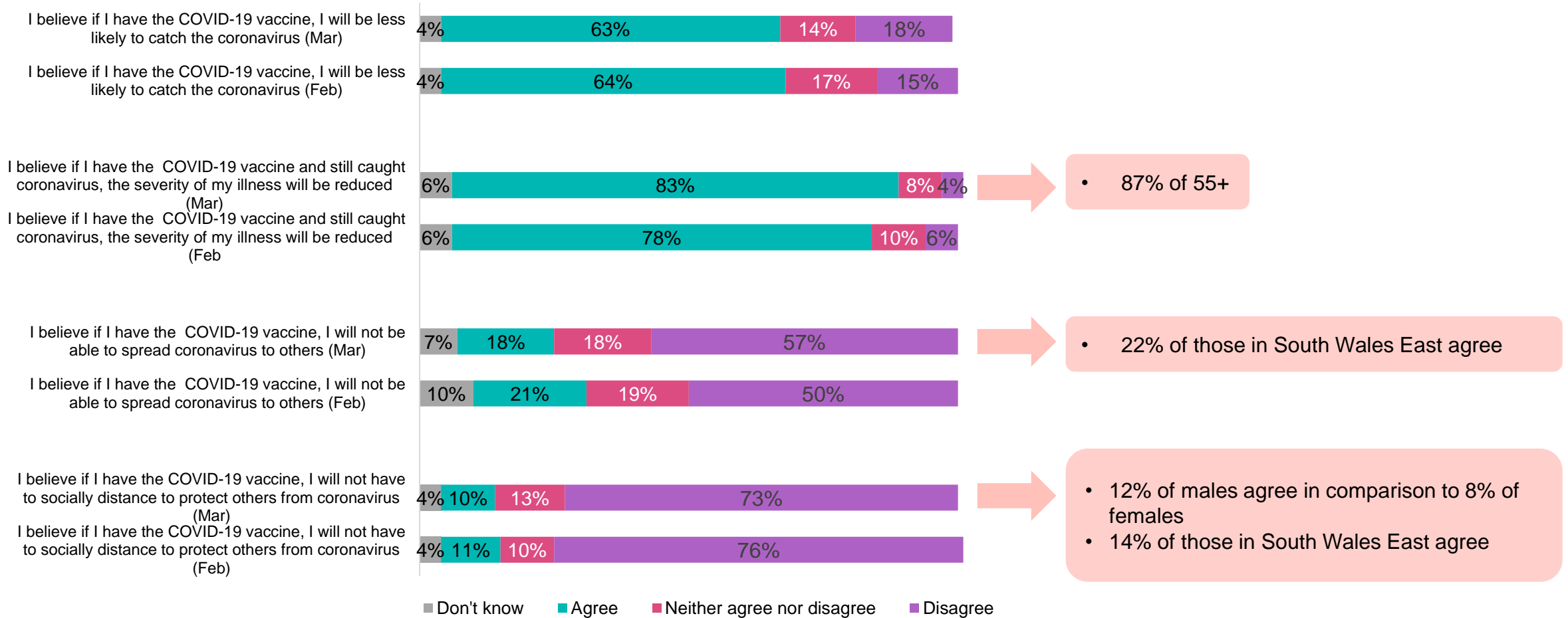
I believe I can get seriously ill if I catch coronavirus by region



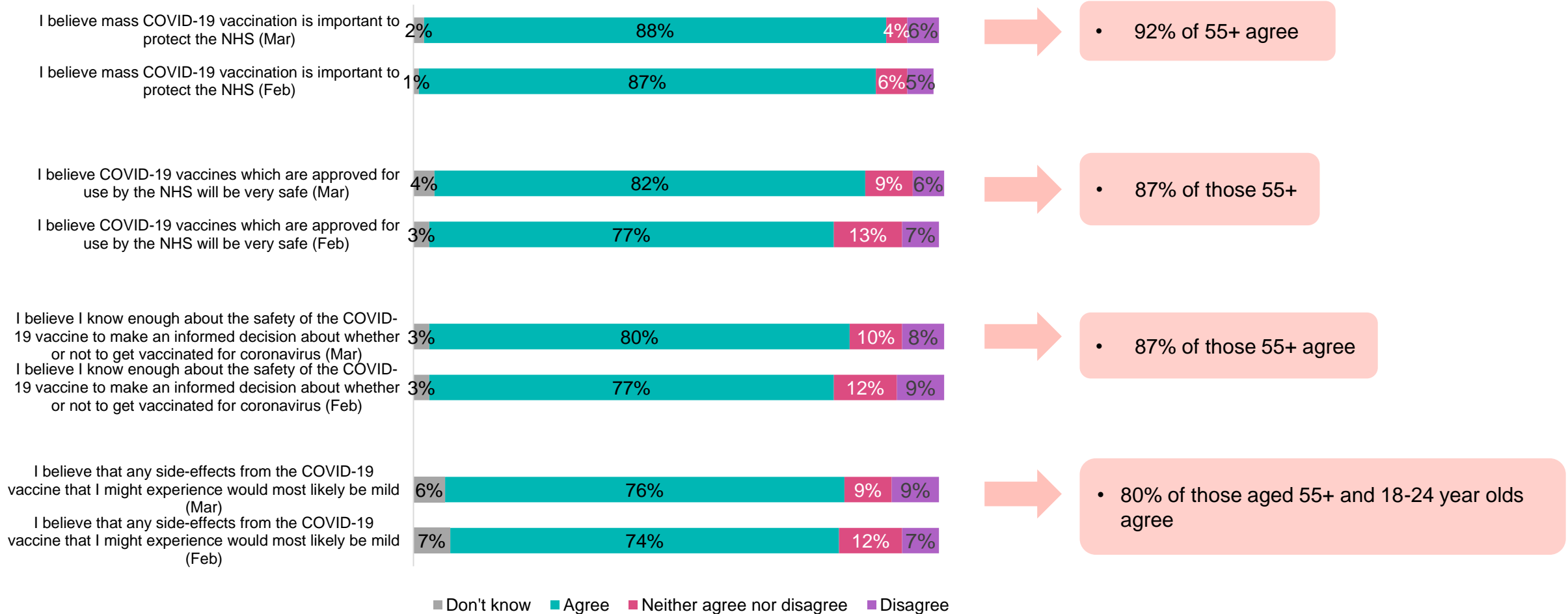
I have relatives/ friends in the UK who I believe are at high risk of catching coronavirus by region



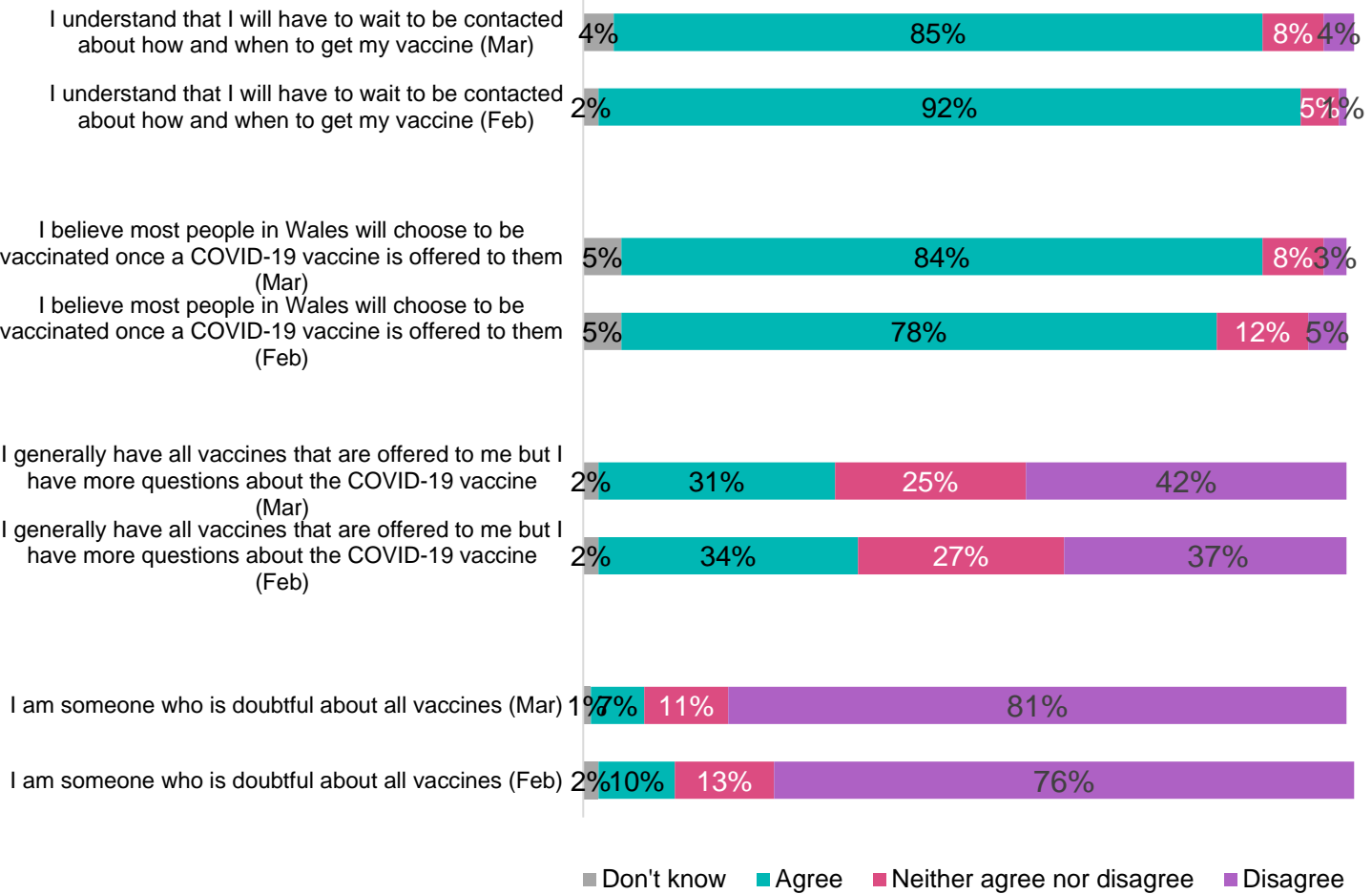
83% believe if they had the COVID-19 vaccine and caught coronavirus, the severity of their illness will be reduced in March, compared to 78% in Feb



People are beginning to feel more safe about the use of COVID-19 vaccines, 82% in March agree the vaccines which are approved for use by the NHS will be very safe in comparison to 77% in Feb



Over 8 in 10 (84%) agree most people in Wales will choose to be vaccinated if the vaccine were offered to them in March compared to 78% in Feb. In addition 42% disagree they have more questions about the COVID-19 vaccine in March



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- 46% of 55+ disagree
- 50% of those in Mid and West Wales and 48% in Cardiff disagree

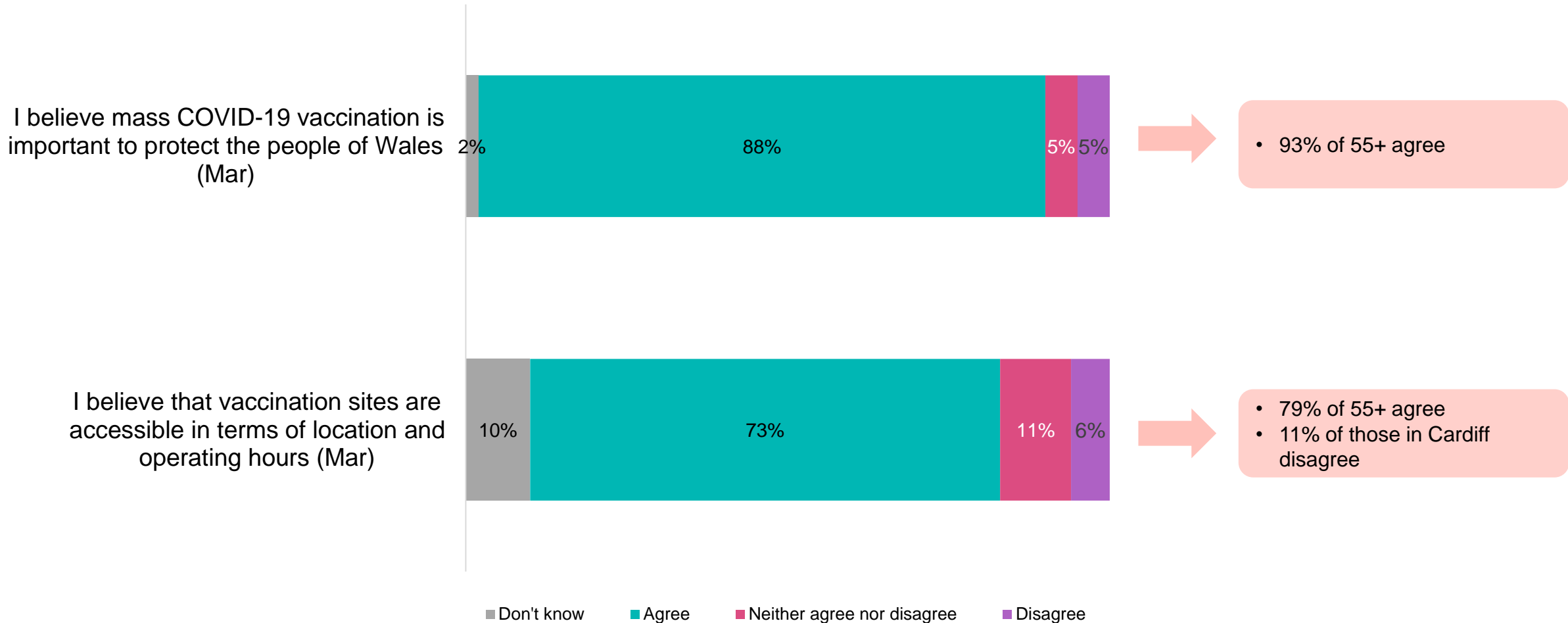
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- 84% of women disagree
- 84% of 55+ disagree

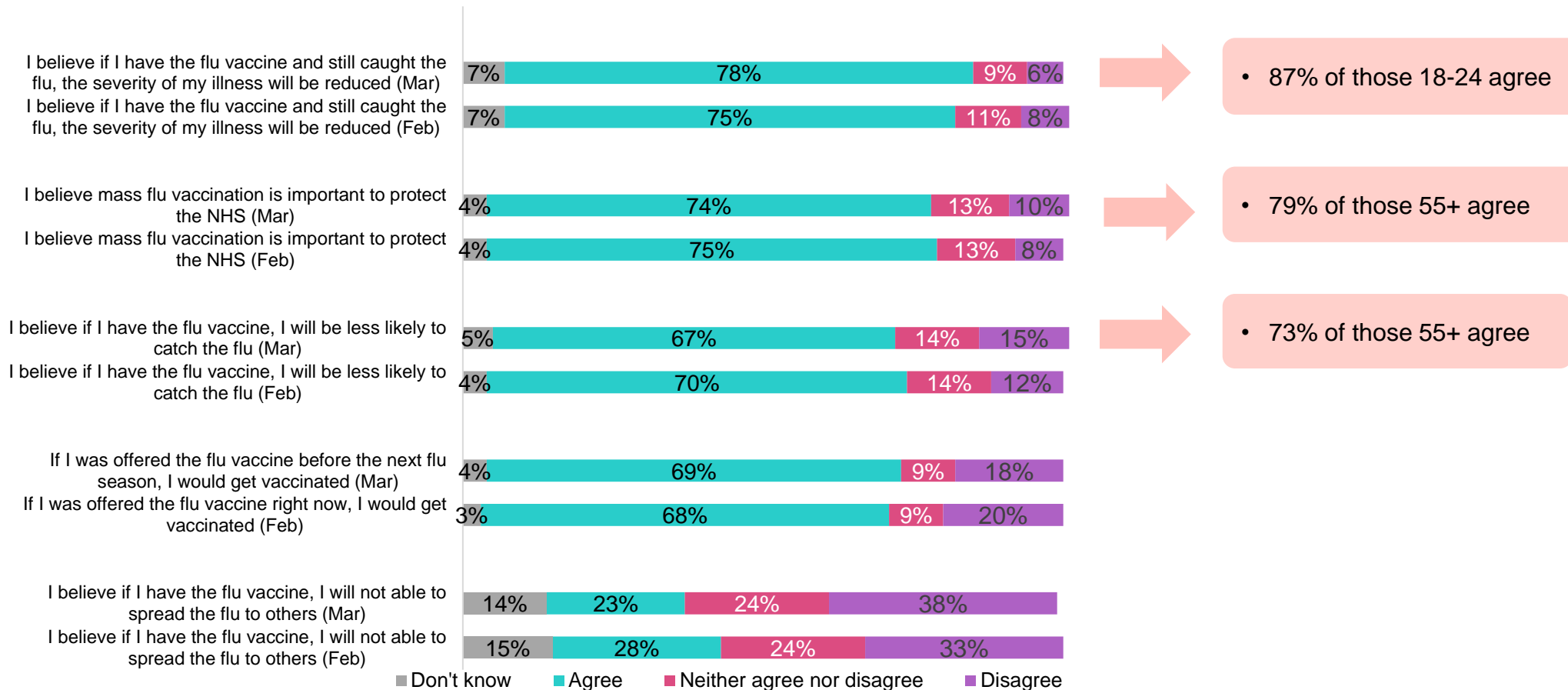


Q3 Please think about the COVID-19 vaccination. To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?
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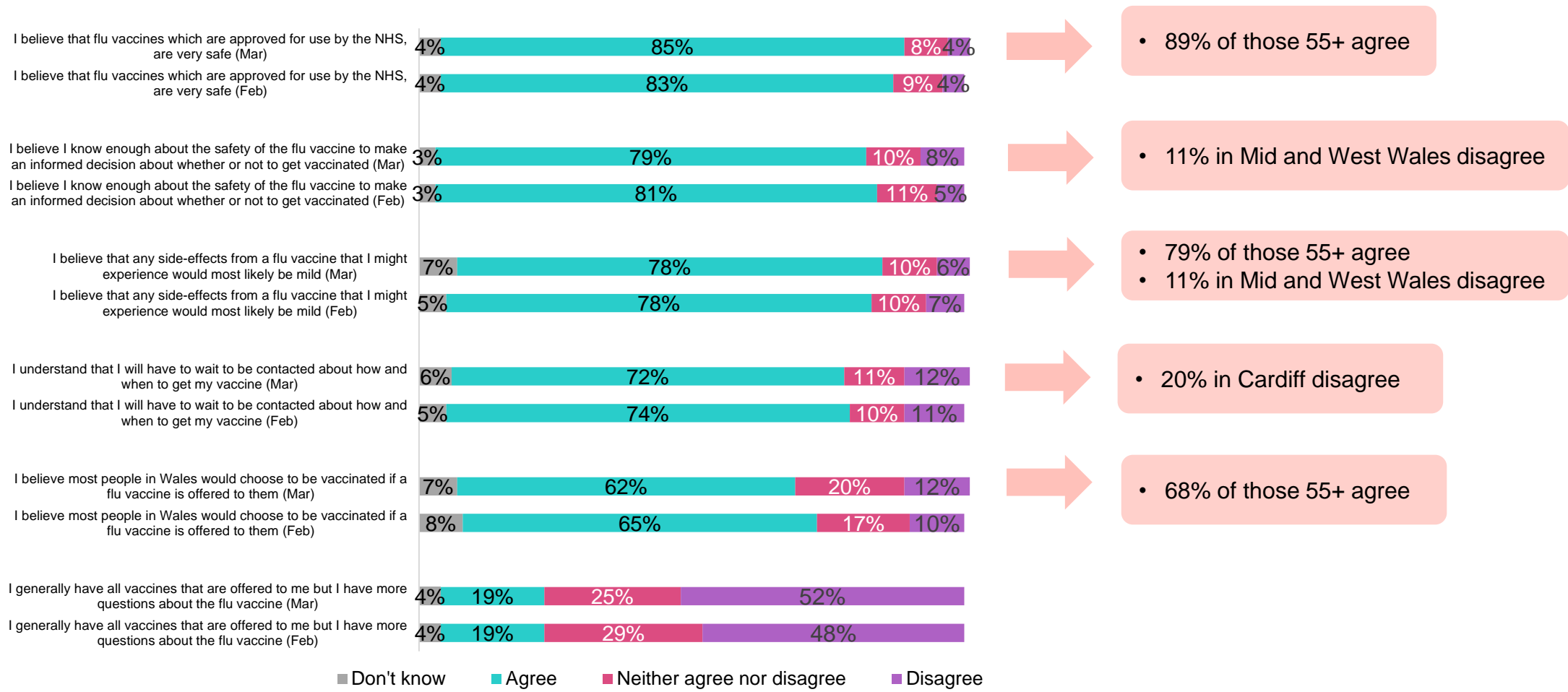
Almost 9 in 10 (88%) believe mass COVID-19 vaccination is important to protect the people of Wales and 73% agree vaccination sites are accessible



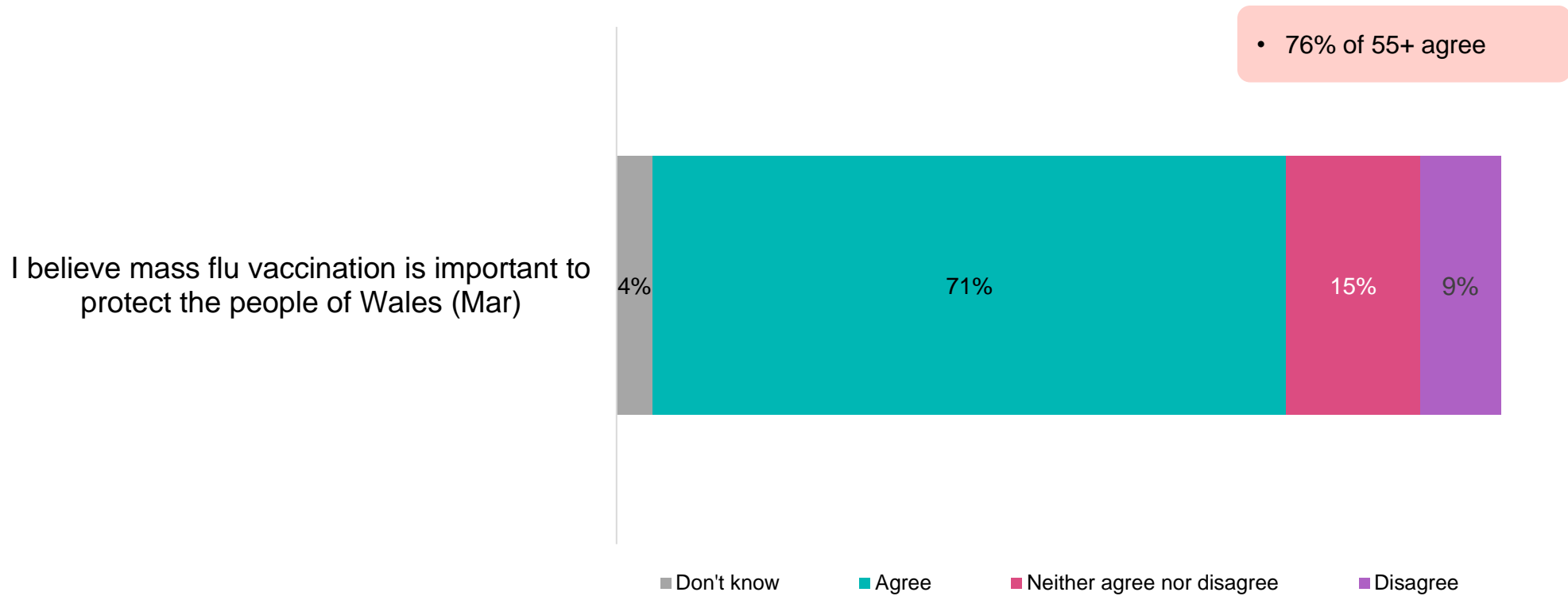
78% in wave 2 agree if they had the flu vaccine and caught flu, the severity of their illness will be reduced compared to 75% of those in wave 1



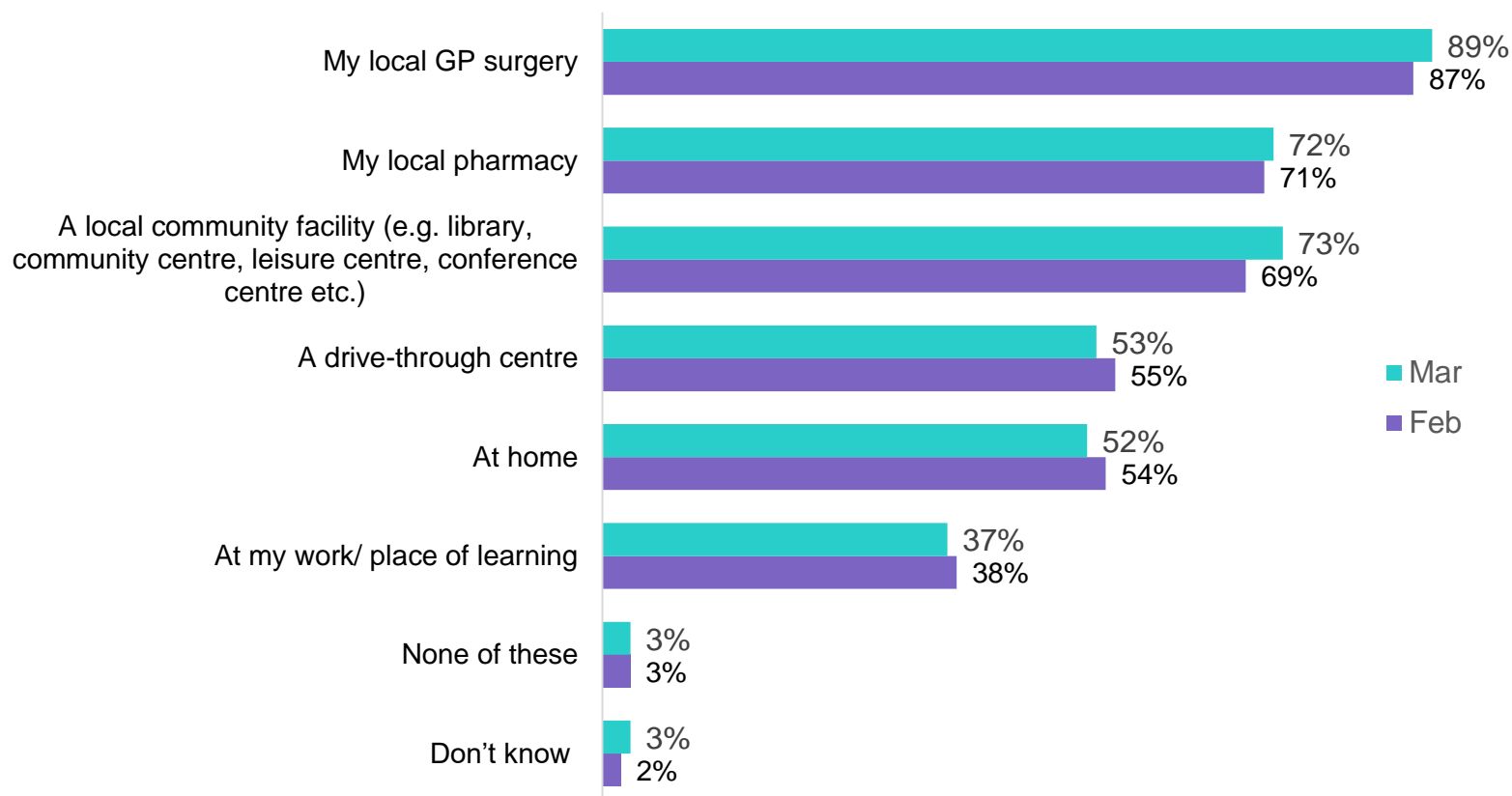
85% agree that flu vaccines which are approved for use by the NHS are very safe



7 in 10 (71%) agree mass flu vaccination is important to protect the people of Wales



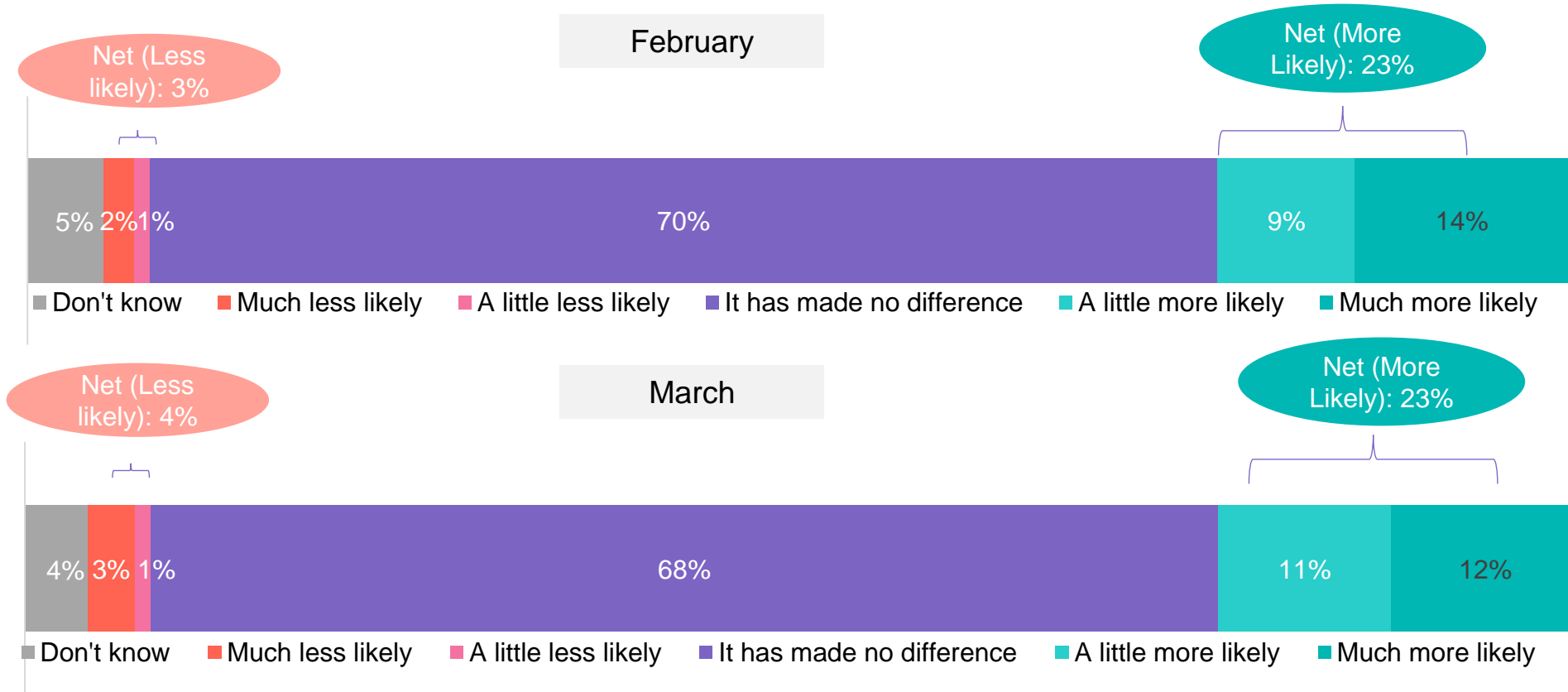
Places most popular for getting vaccinated at are similar for both waves 1 and 2, with the top three being: their local GP surgery, their local pharmacy and a local community facility. While preference for getting vaccinated at a drive through centre or at home has dropped slightly.



Wave 2 findings

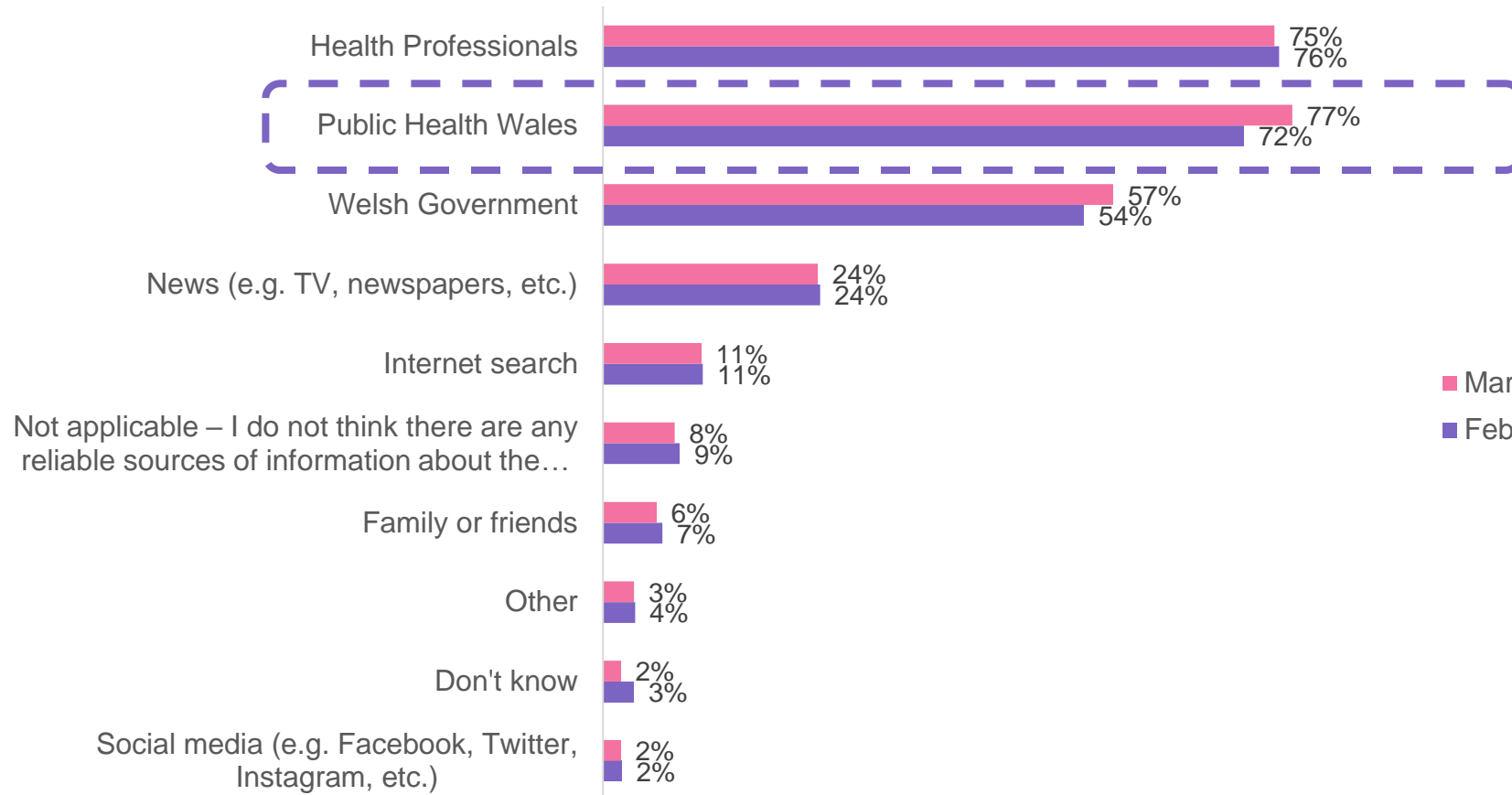
- 91% of those 55+ would prefer having their flu/covid vaccine at their local GP surgery
- 80% of 18-24 would prefer going to their local pharmacy, as well as 80% of those in South Wales Central
- 56% of those 55+ would prefer getting vaccinated at home, as well as 55% of men
- 54% of 18-24 would prefer getting vaccinated at their place of learning/work, as well as 41% of men

People being more likely to get a flu vaccine as a direct result of COVID-19 remains similar in both waves (23%).

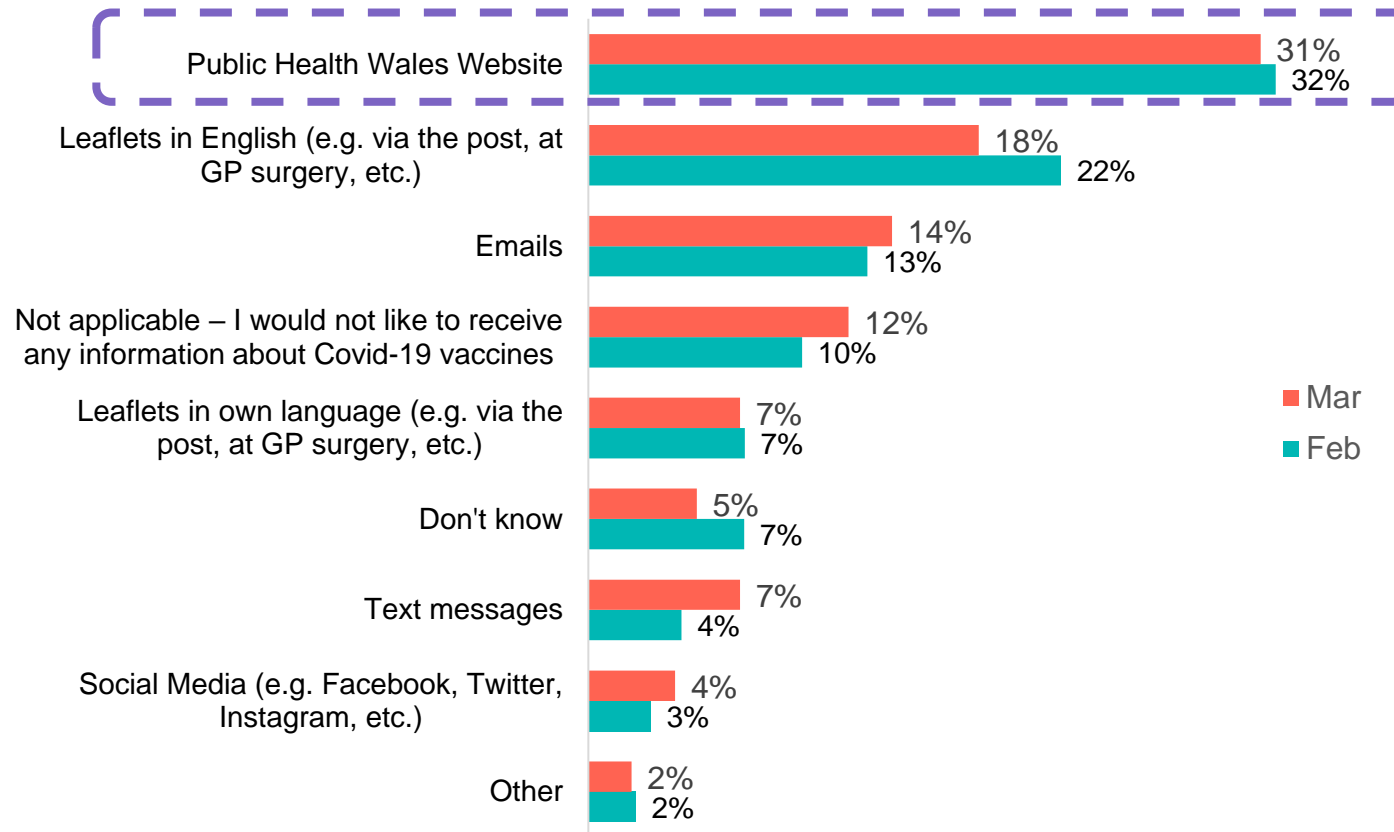


• 31% of those in Cardiff are more likely

Three quarters (77%) would regard Public Health Wales as a reliable source of information about the COVID-19 vaccine in wave 2, compared to 72% in wave 1.



Almost a third (32%) would most like to receive information about the COVID-19 vaccine from the Public Health Wales website in wave 1 and views remain the same in wave 2 at 31%.



- 17% of males would most like to receive info on covid-19 vaccines via email
- 26% of 55+ would most like to receive information on Covid vaccines via leaflets in English and 19% would like to receive information via emails

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