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Mobility and Security Challenges in West Africa

Summary of Findings

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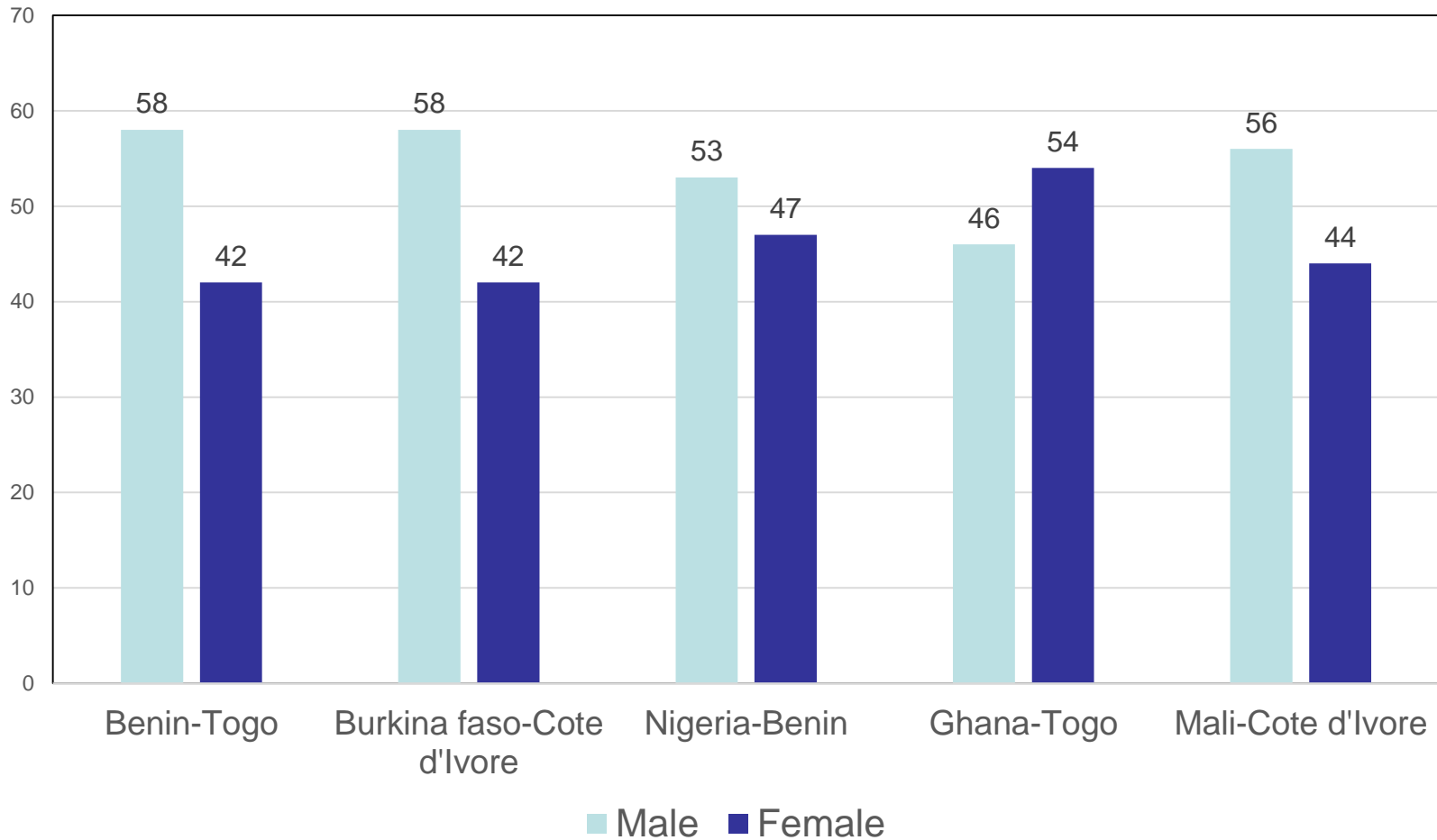
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Outline of Presentation

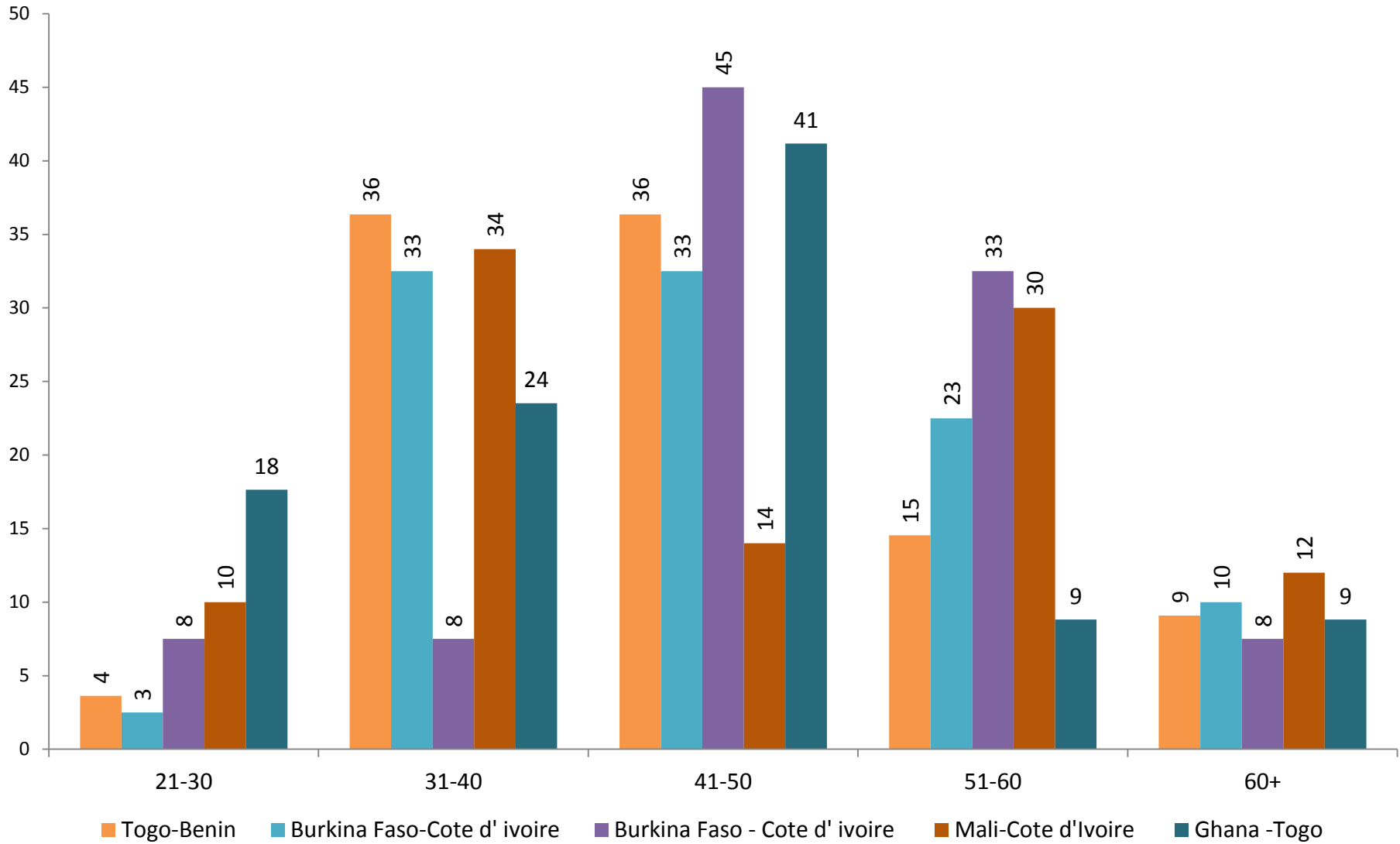
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Demography and basic facts of migration in West Africa

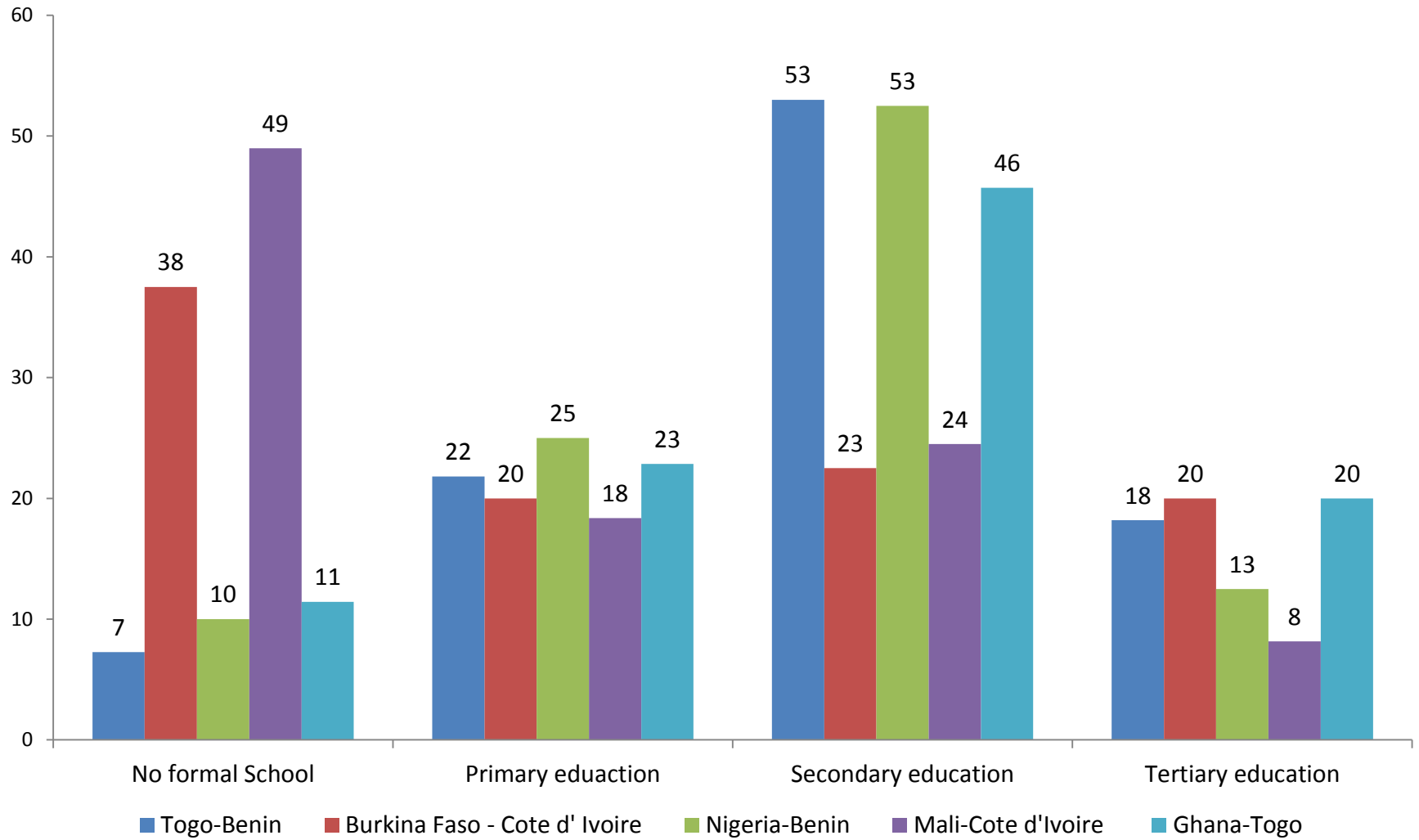
Gender of Respondents



Age of Respondents



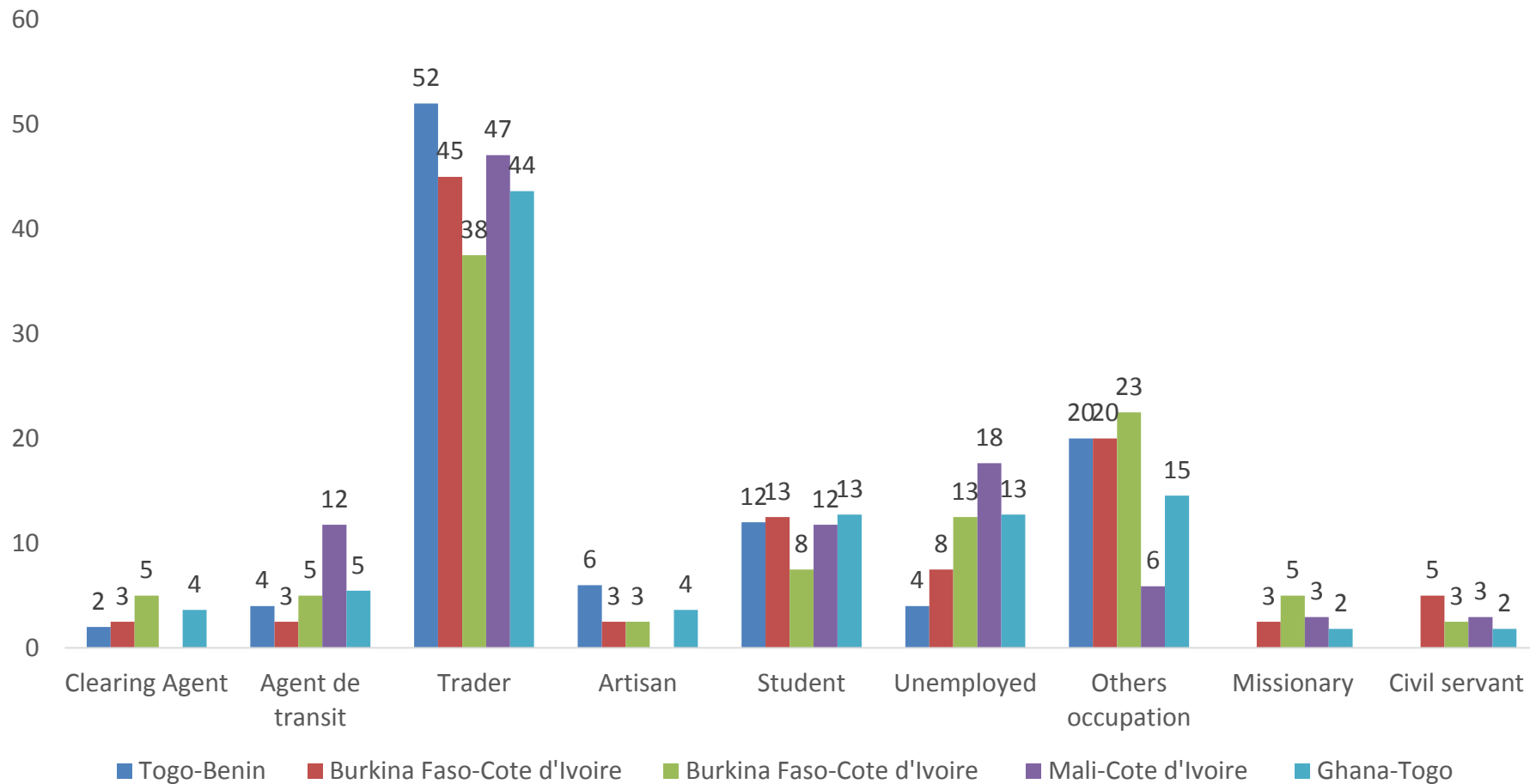
Education of Respondents



Means of Travel

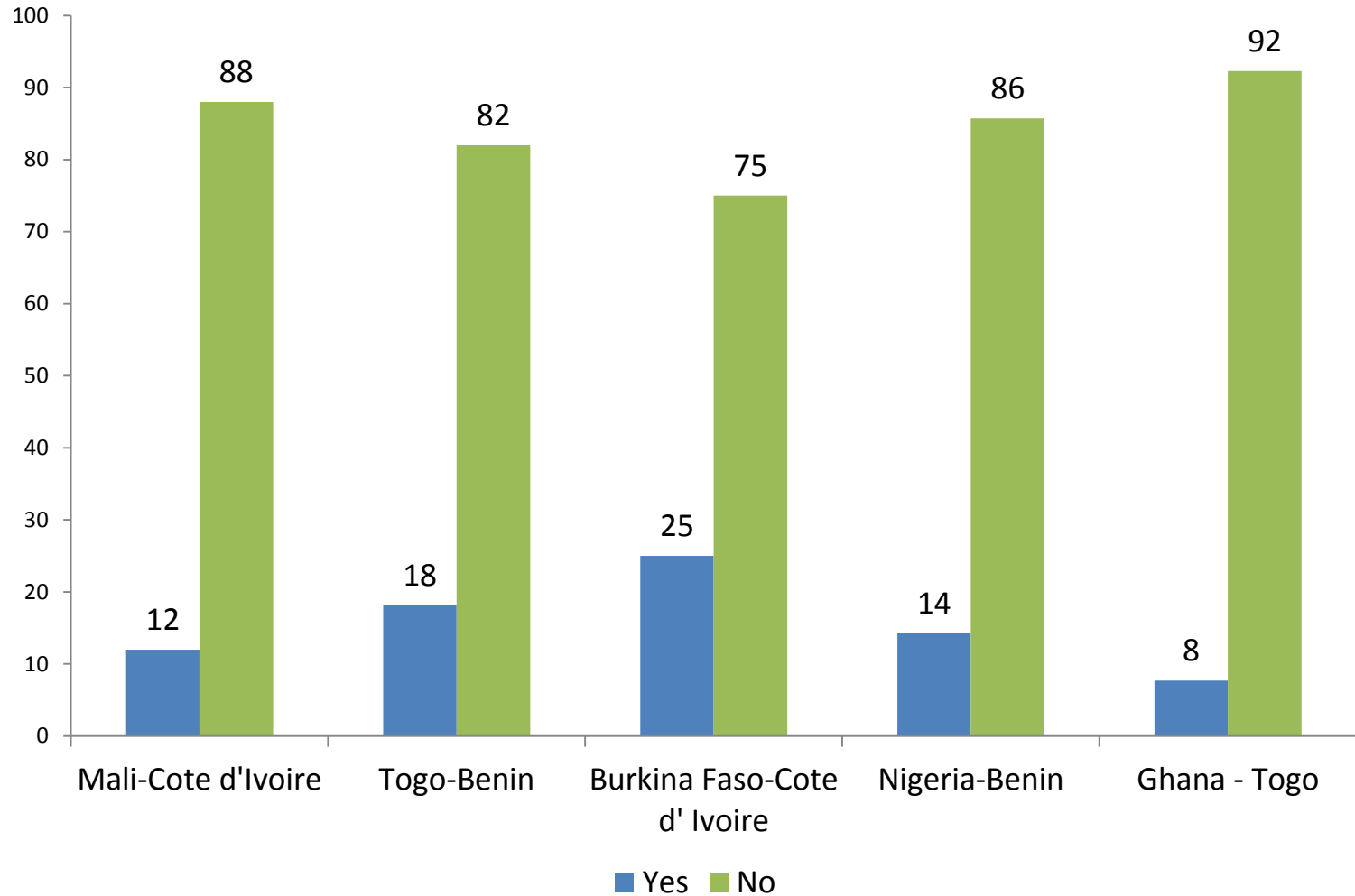
	Mali-Cote d'Ivoire	Burkina Faso-Cote d'Ivoire	Nigeria- Benin	Ghana- Togo	Togo- Benin
Bicycle	4	3			2
Private Vehicle	8	3	15		5
Motorcycle	16	18	5	11	5
Commercial Vehicle	71	75	73	79	80
On foot			8	11	7
Others		3			

Occupation

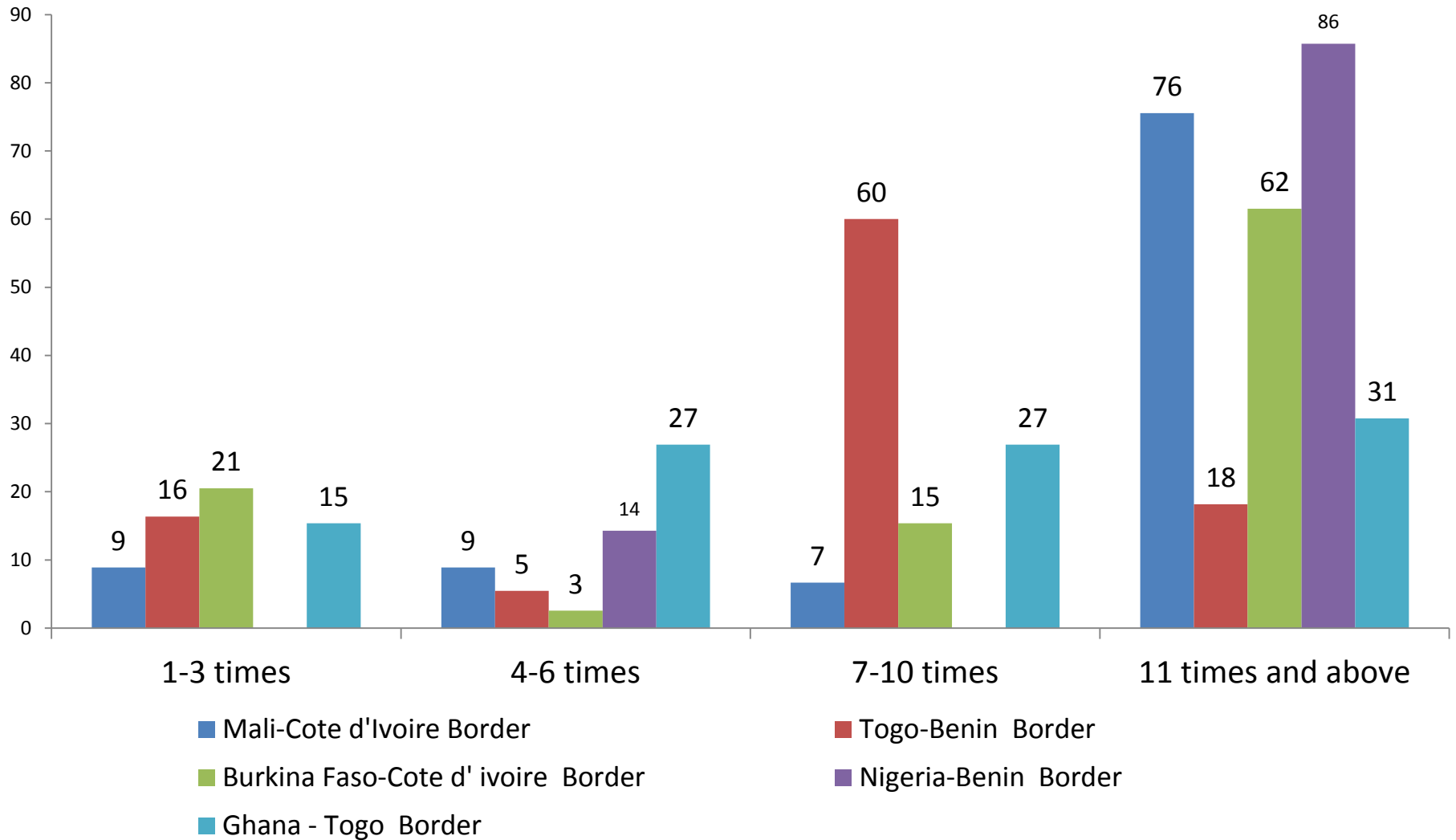


Purpose of journey					
	Mali-Cote d'Ivoire	Togo- Benin	Burkina Faso-Cote d'ivoire	Nigeria- Benin	Ghana- Togo
Official trip	6	5			12
Educational visit	10	5	10	14	8
Tourism	10	9	18	29	20
Family and private	22	16	20		24
Business venture	52	58	35	43	36
Sports		4	5	14	
Others		2	13		

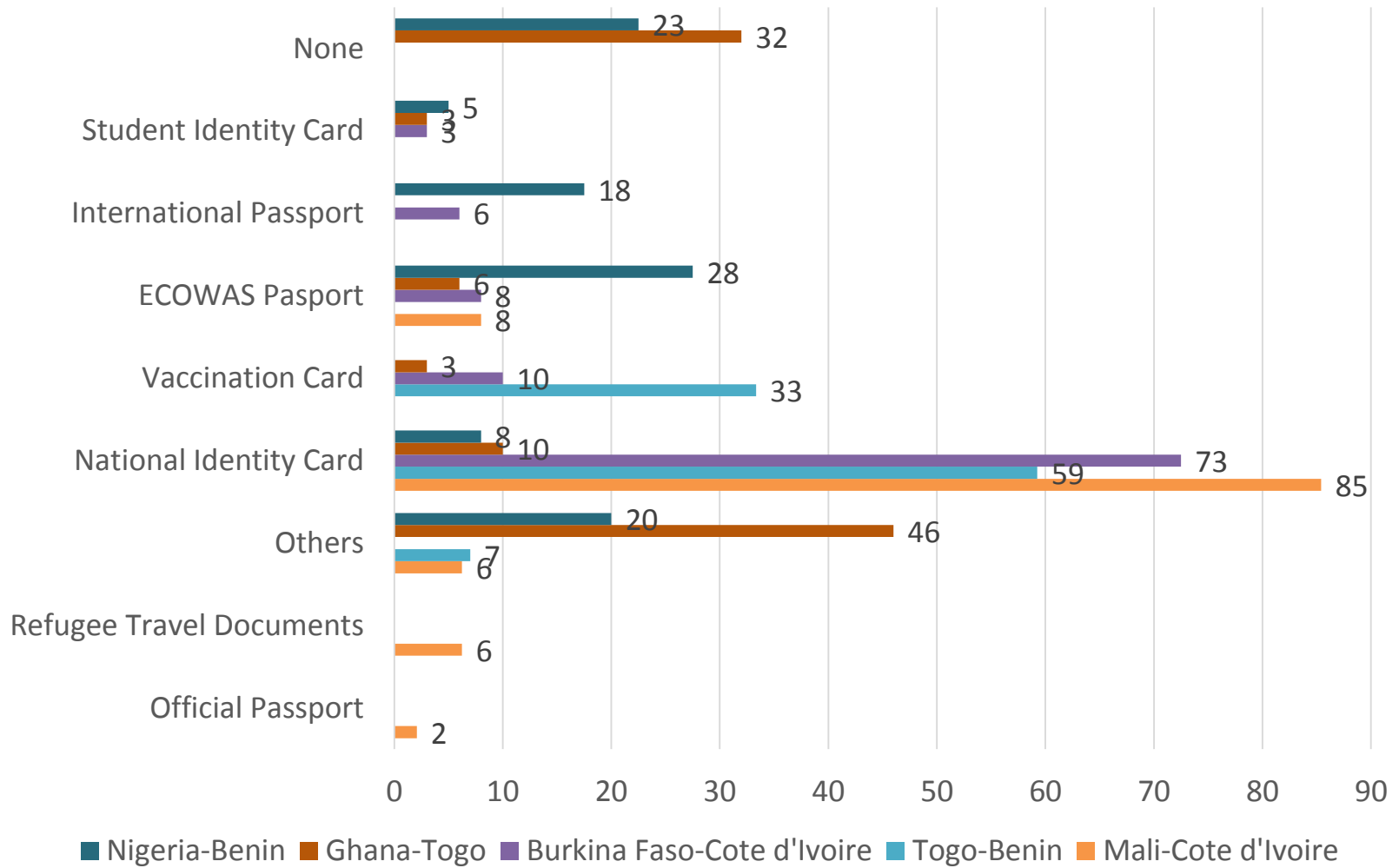
First Time Crossing



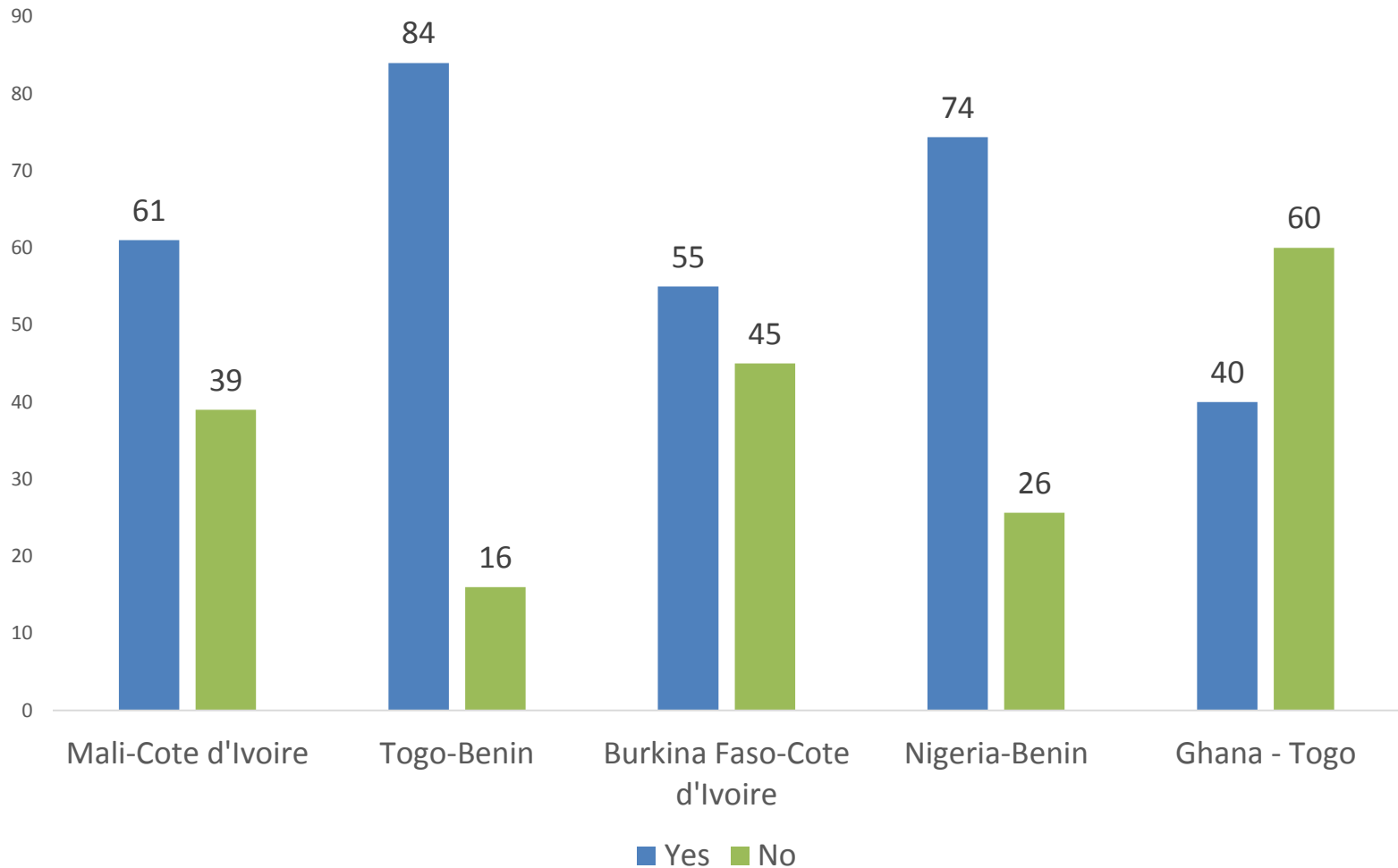
Frequency of Crossing



Travel document used

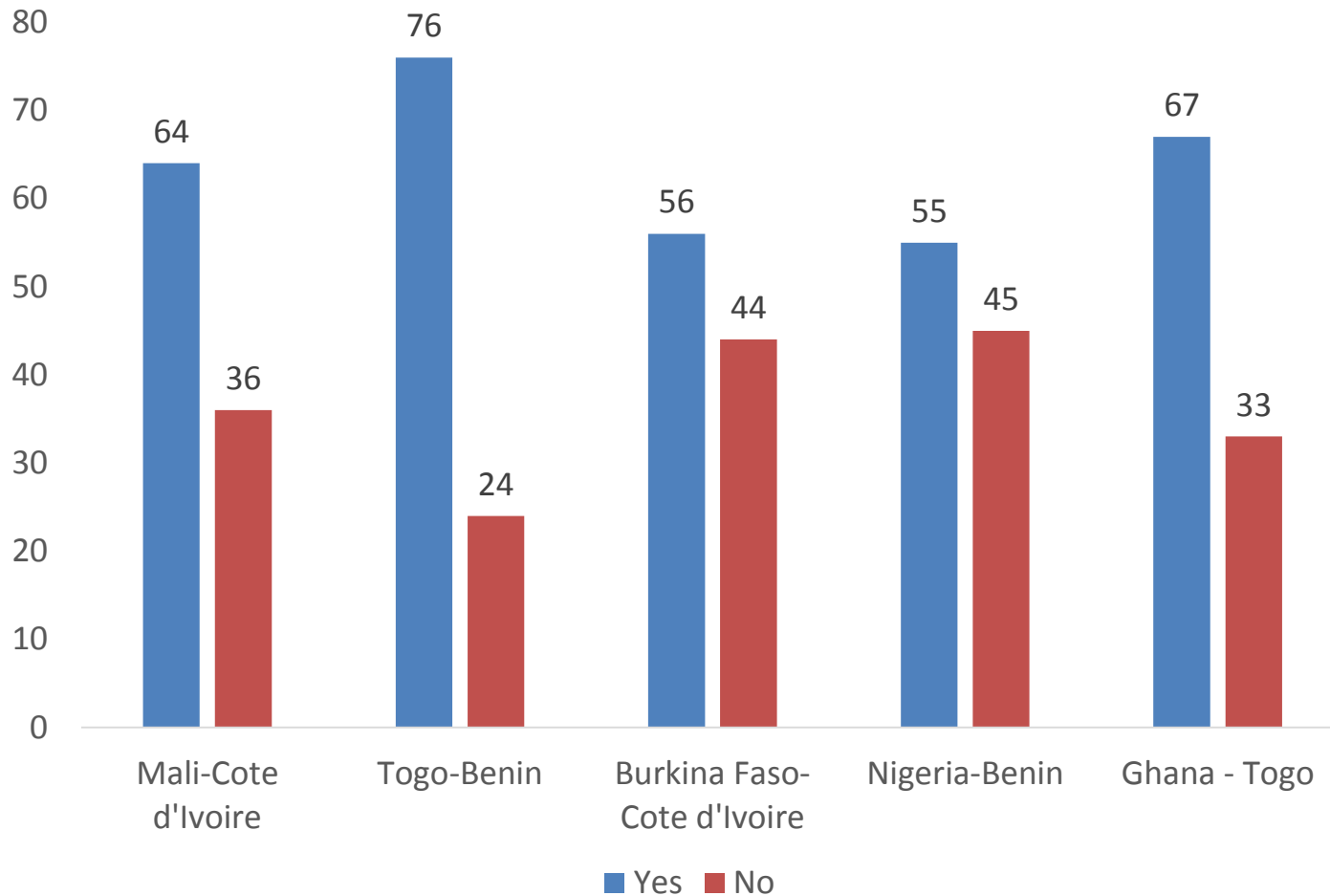


Awareness of ECOWAS citizenship



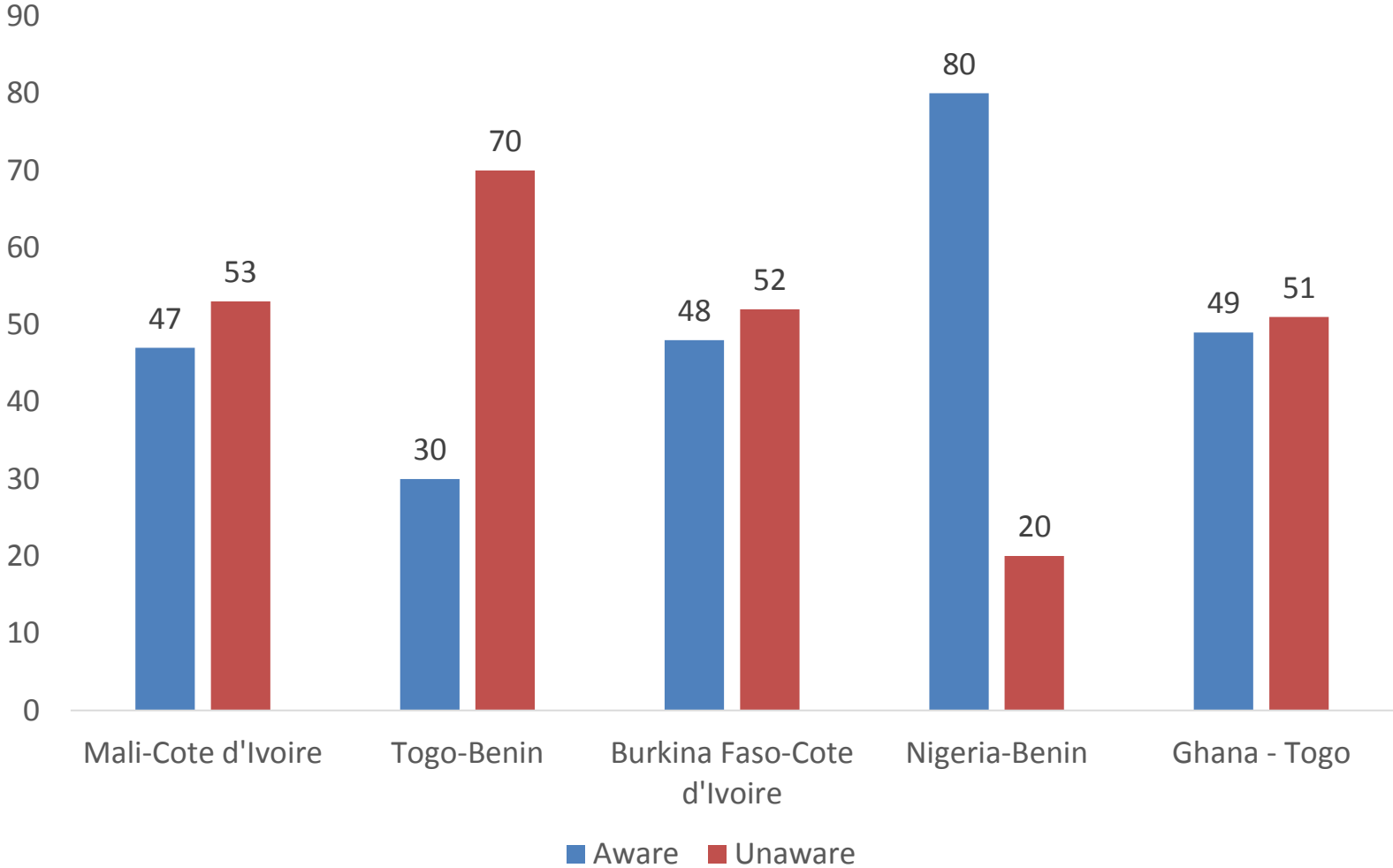
Ques: Are you aware that all national of ECOWAS countries are now ECOWAS citizens?

Perception of Equal Treatment Abroad



Ques: When you are not in your home country, do you feel that you are treated the same as citizens of the host country?

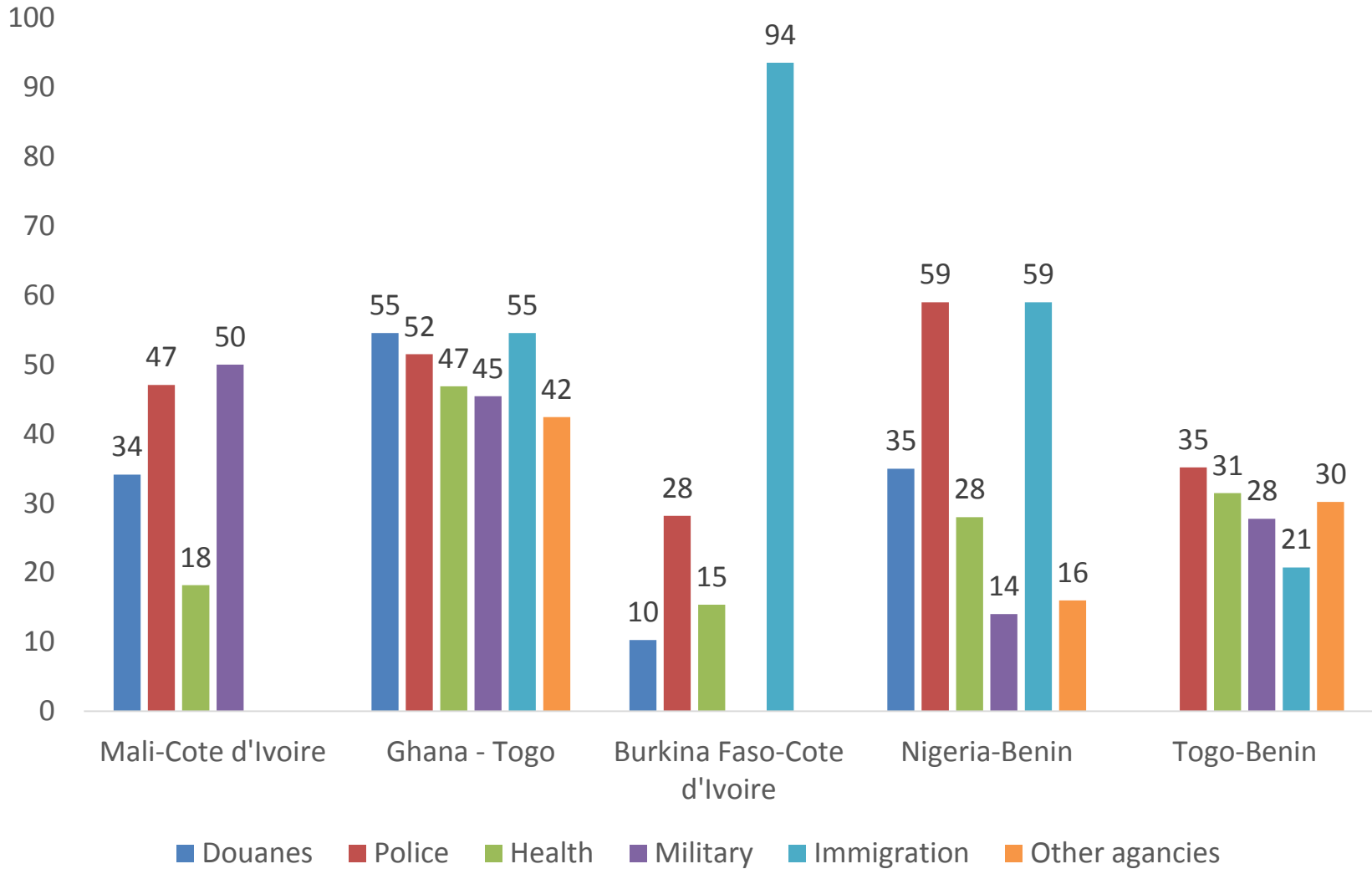
Awareness of ECOWAS Protocol on Free Movement



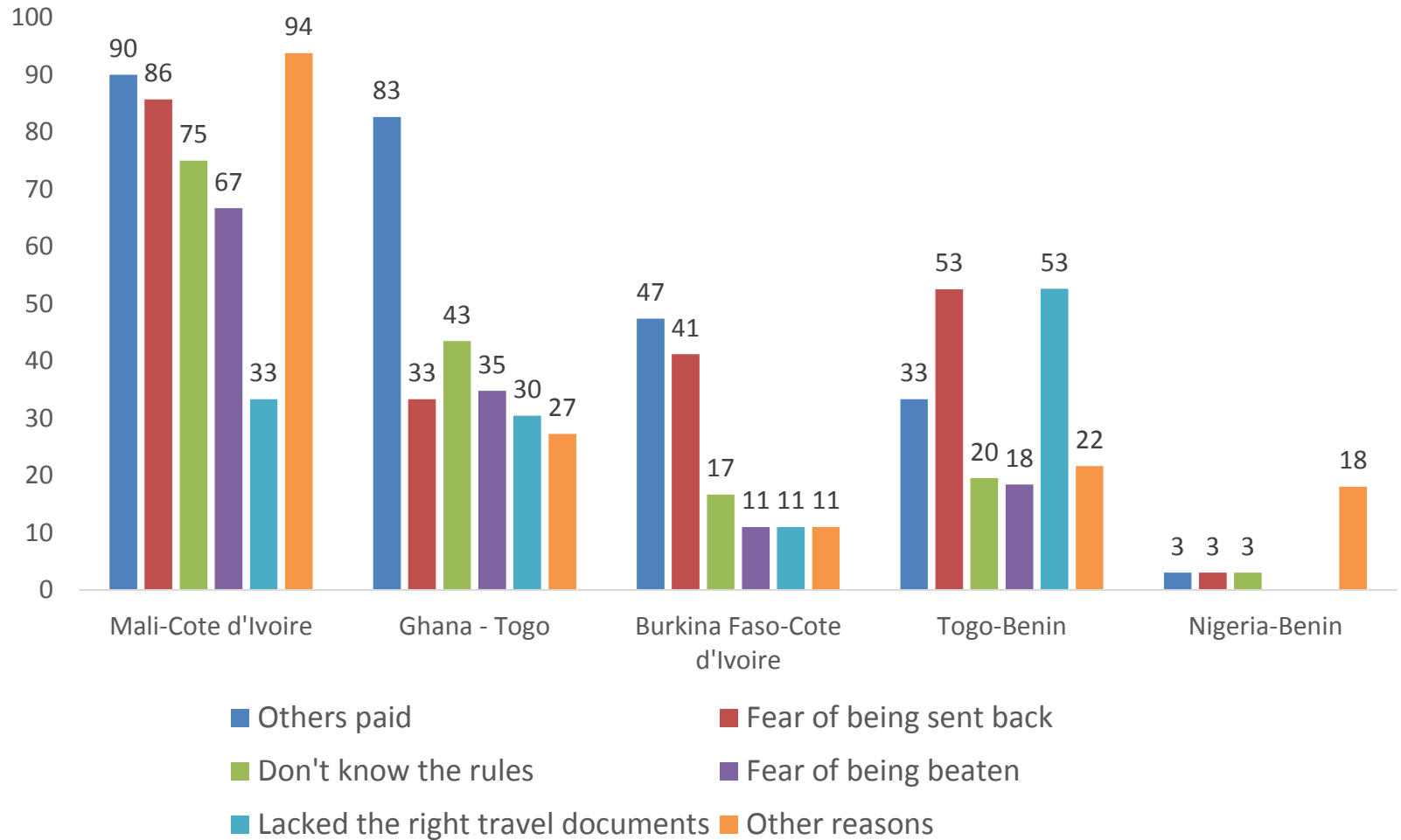
Summary of Findings

A. Payments and Corruption at the Borders

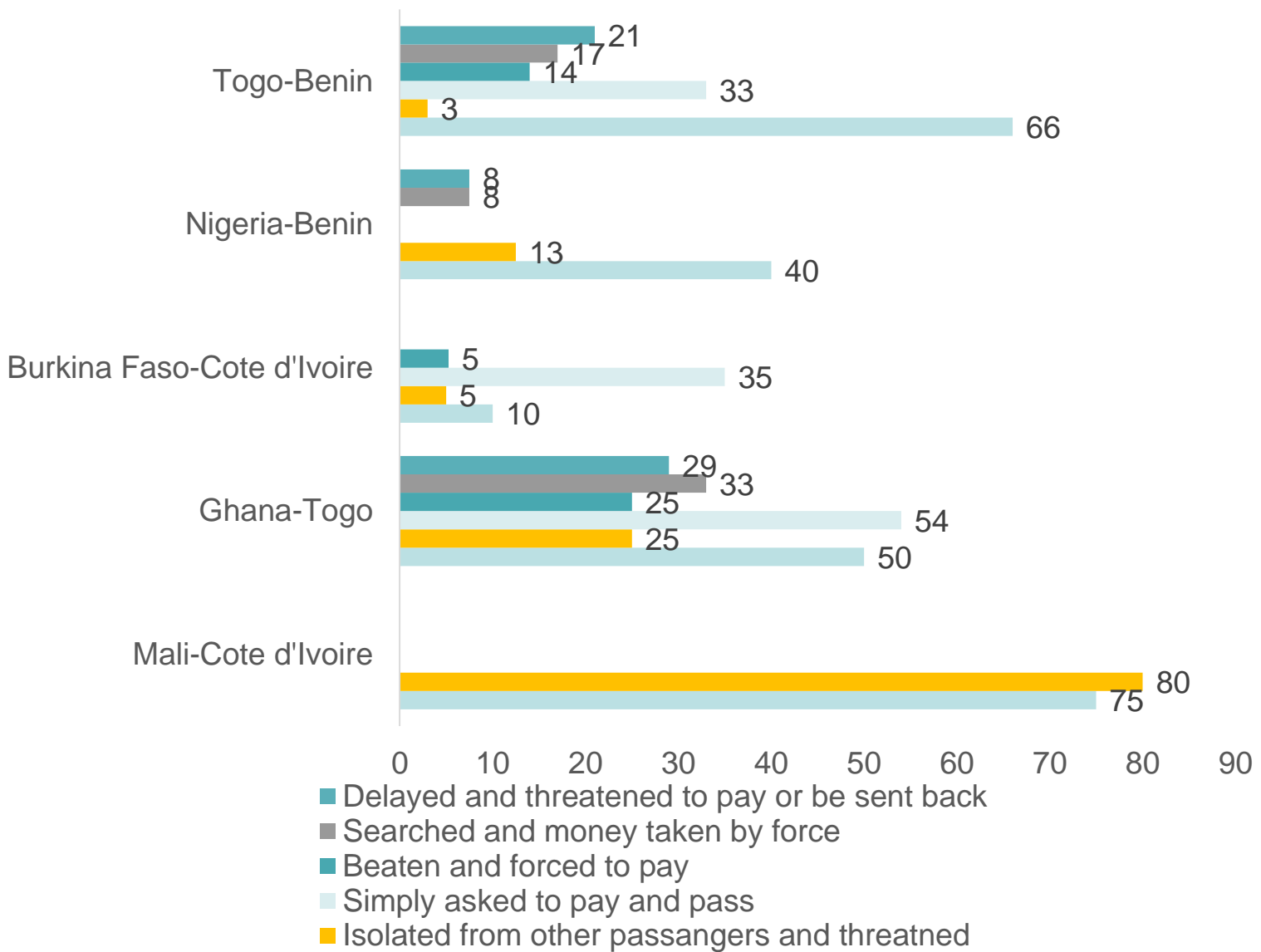
Demand for Money to Cross Borders



Reasons for Payments

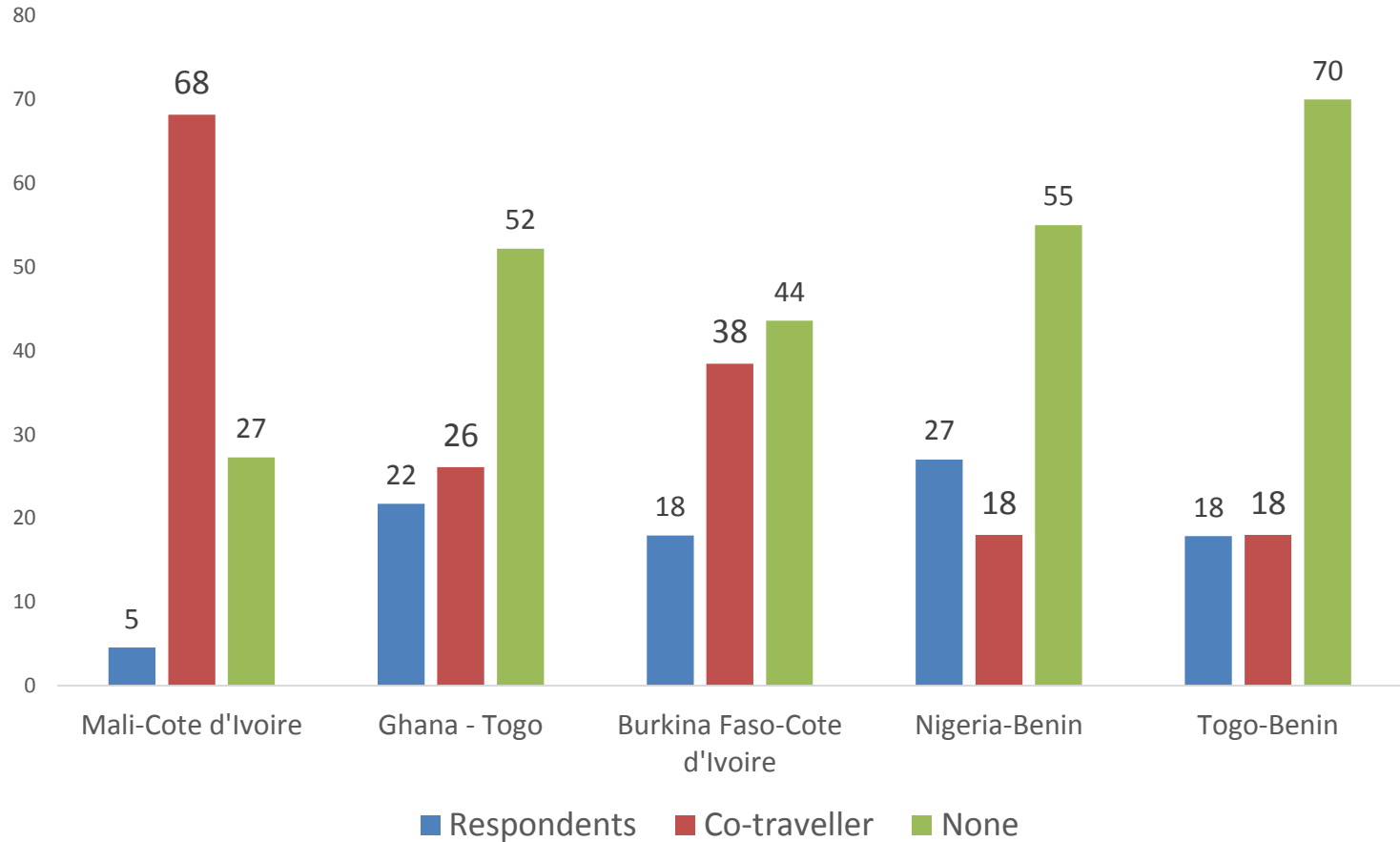


Styles of Extortion

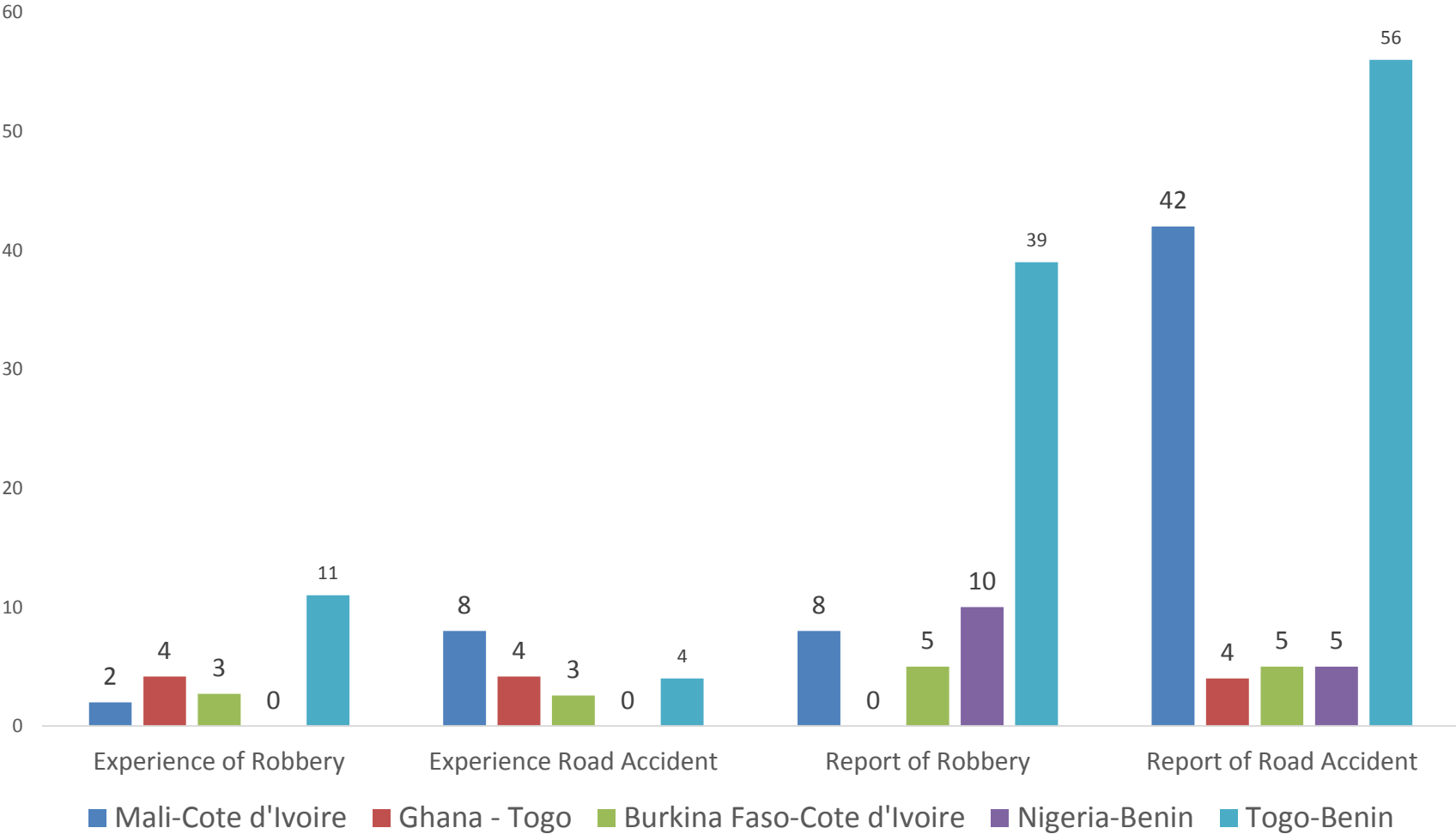


B. Crime and Victimization

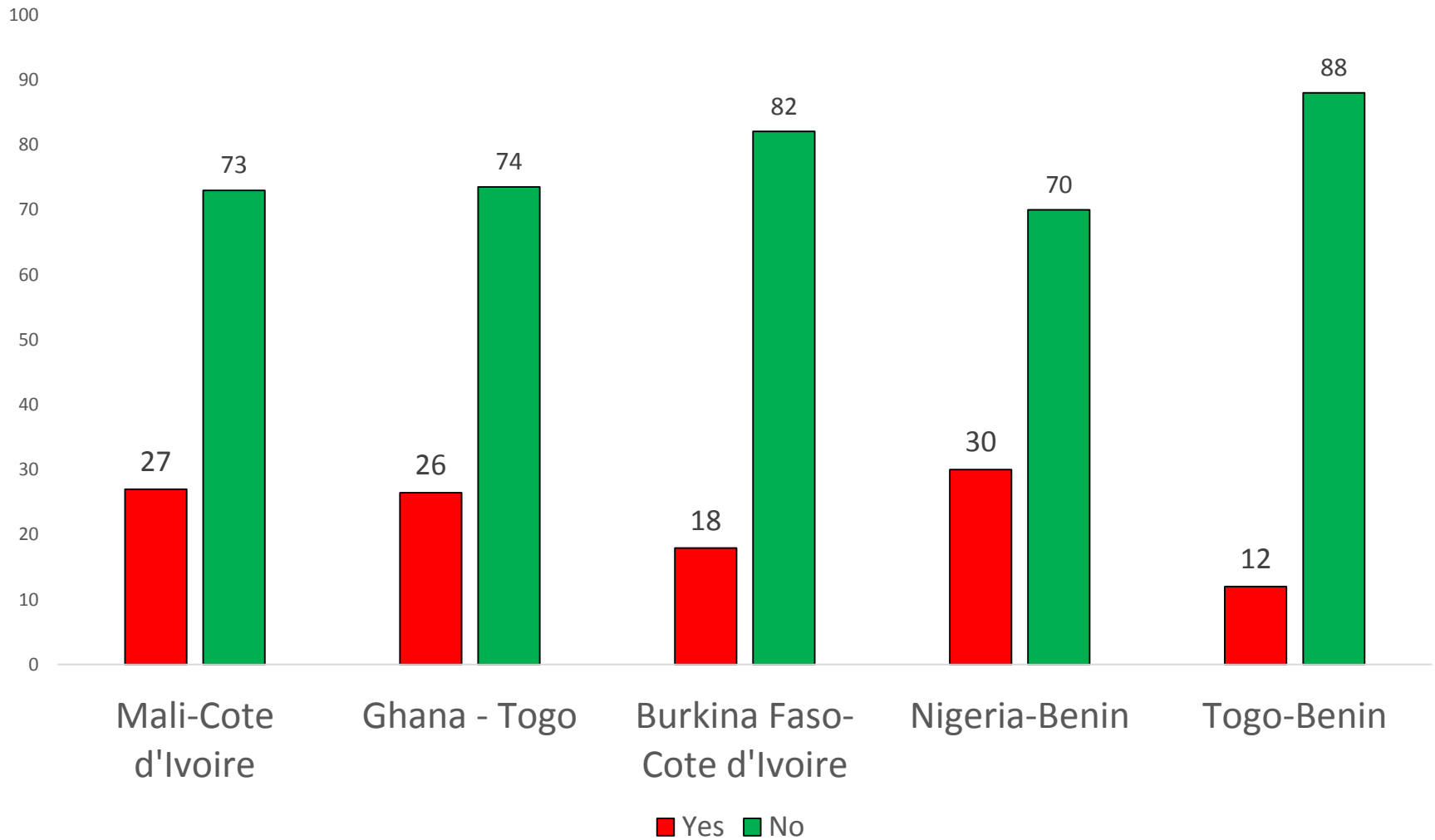
Harrassment at the Border



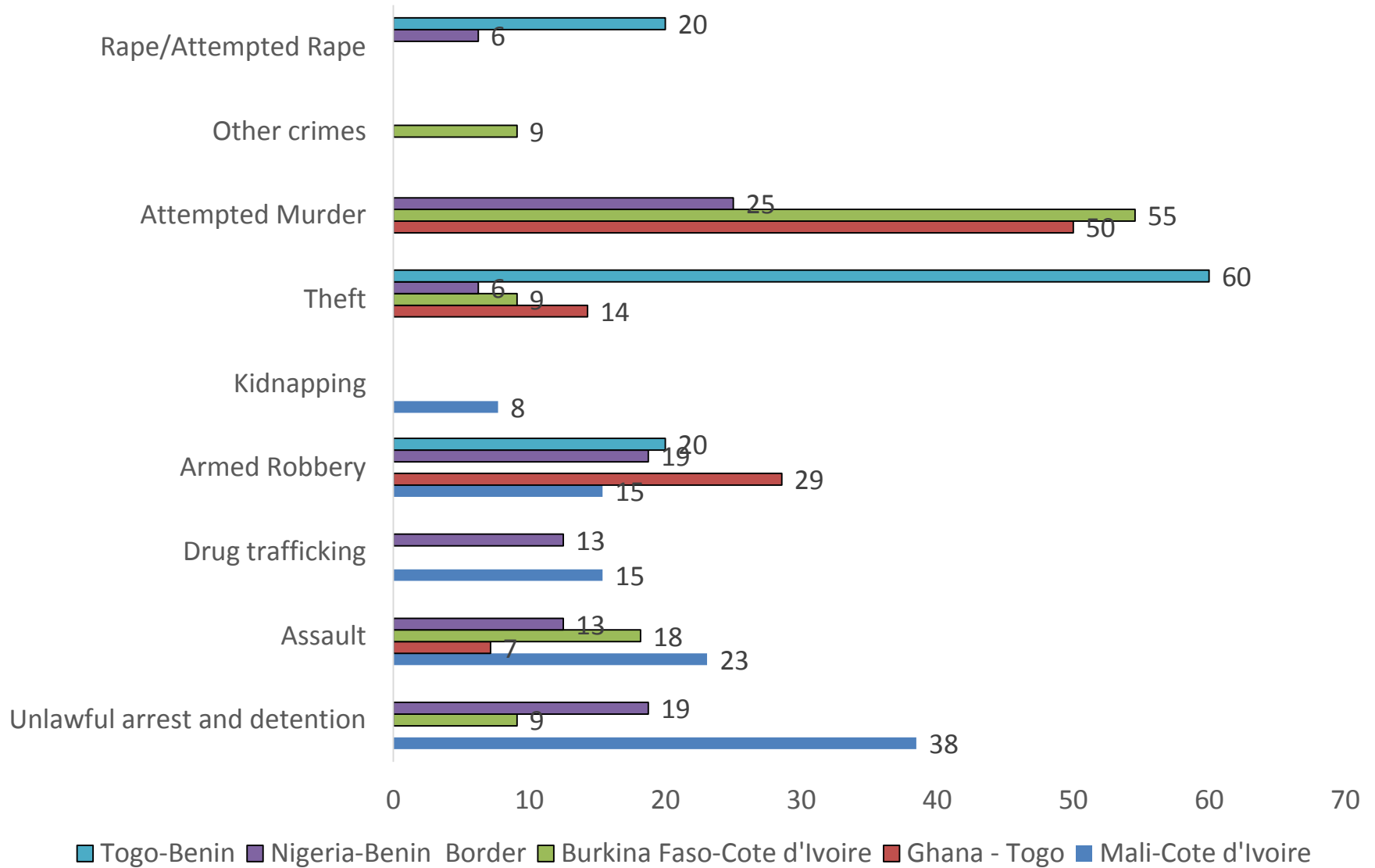
Robbery and Road Accident



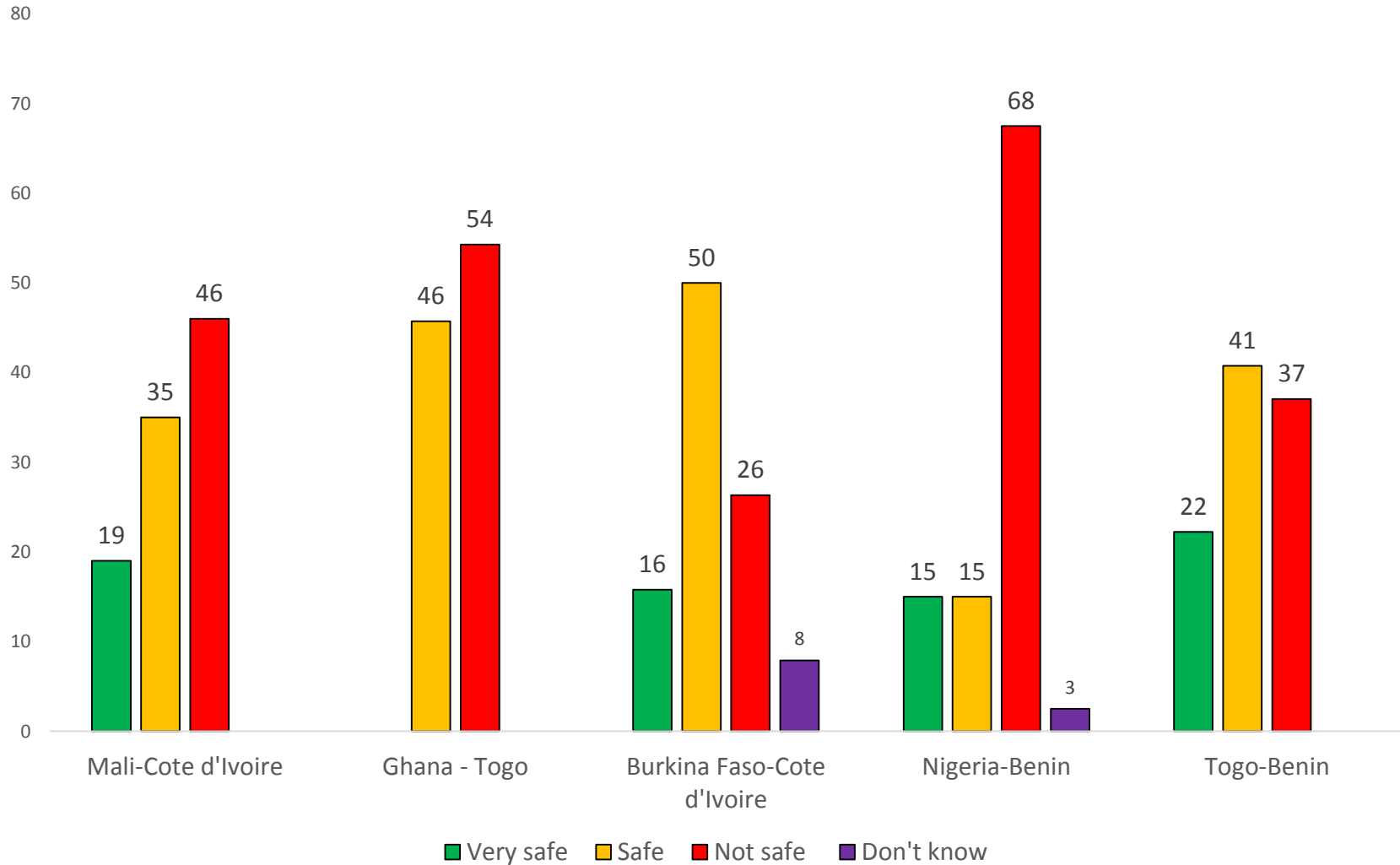
Previous Experience of Crime at Border



Common Crimes at the Borders

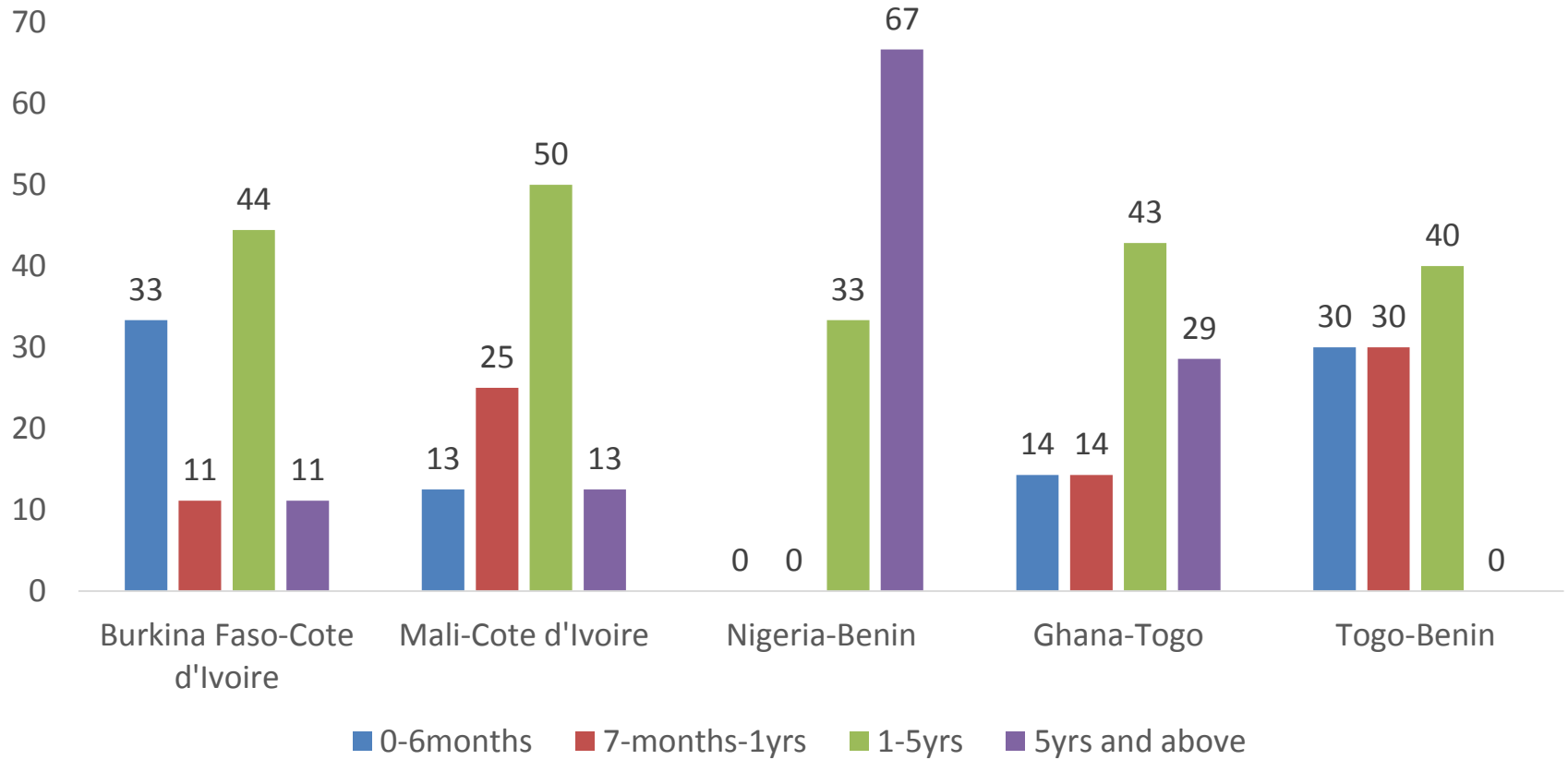


Perception of Safety

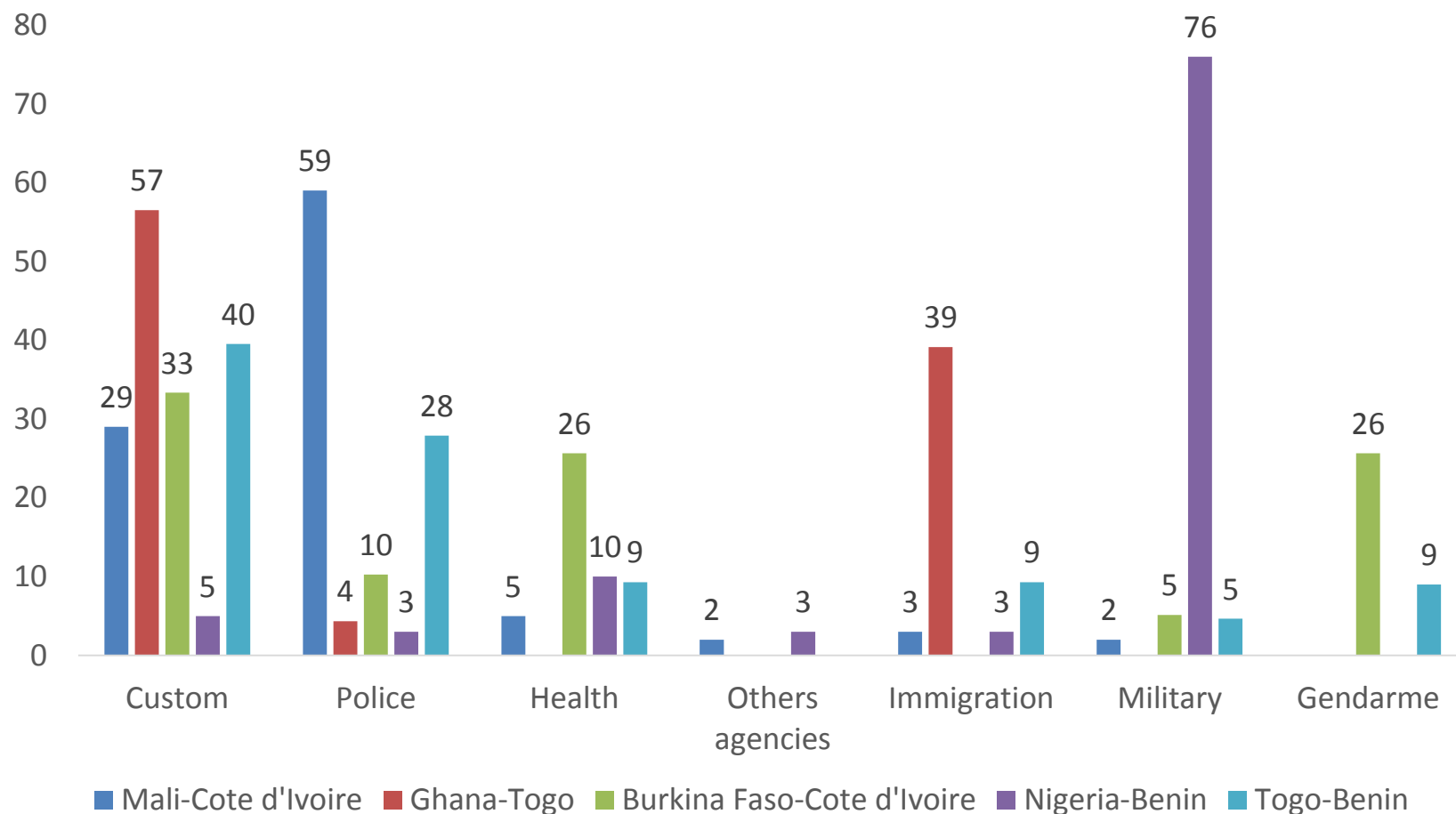


C. Security Agencies

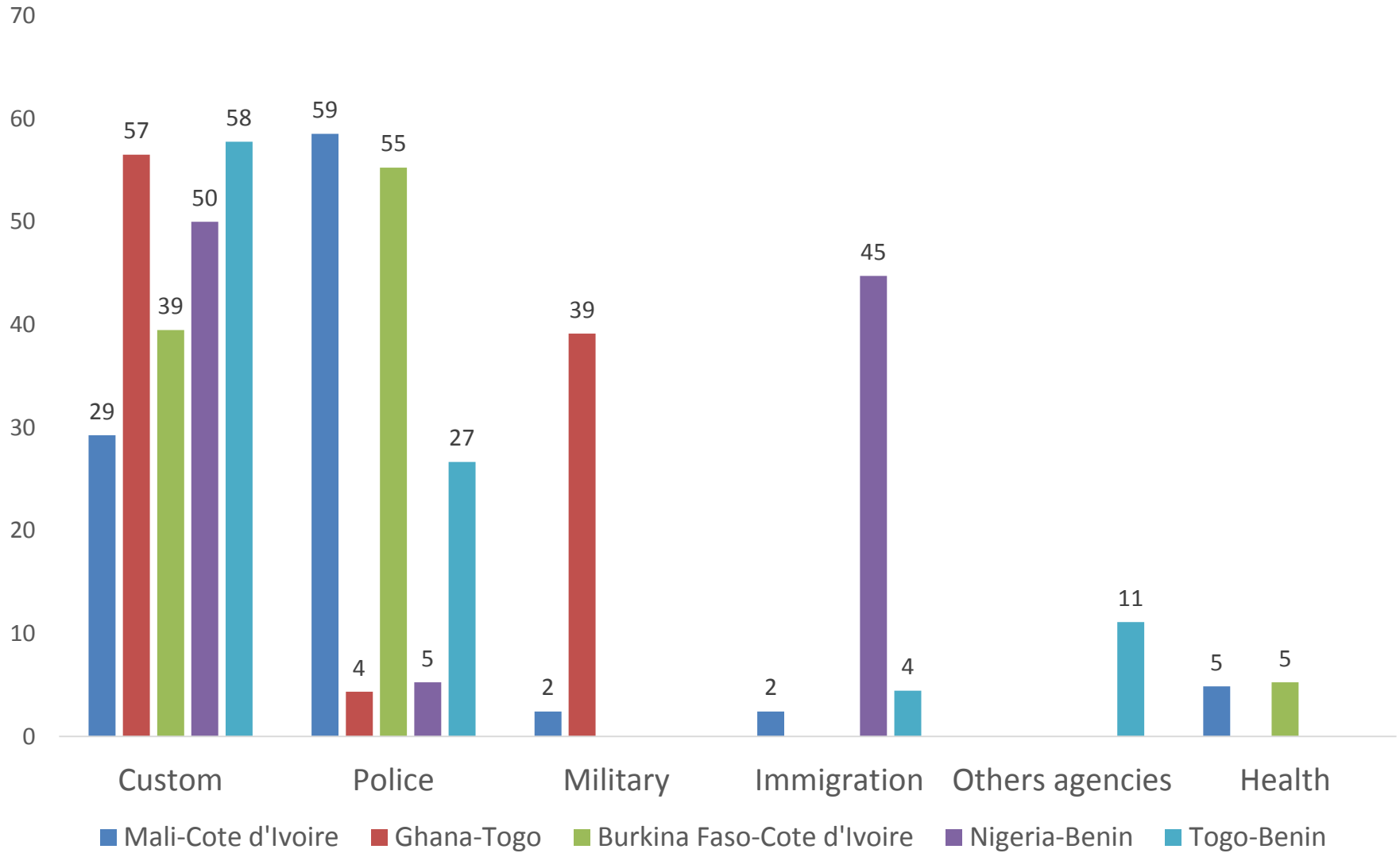
Lenght of Posting at Border



Checkpoint where least time was spent



Checkpoint where most time is spent



Recommendations

- Improved data collection and incidence tracking at the borders
- Training and capacity development of law enforcement officials
- Joint patrol and co-ordination of security operations with stakeholders
- Greater sensitisation on travel documentations
- Education and advocacy campaigns
- Legislative and legal reforms

Conclusion

- There are clear meeting points between migration and security in West Africa. The trends of migration recorded in this study emphasise the need for both issues to be monitored concurrently.
- West Africans have a rich tradition of travelling across the region with many travellers crossing the same borders over 10 times. Given the enormous challenges this is a commendable feat.
- There is need for continued research and data collection on the borders to allow for better understanding of each border as well as comparisons across borders. Future research could target the Maghreb corridor where migration from West Africa feeds into the European migration route.
- Border users in West Africa report multiple payments to different agencies simultaneously. This could be indicative of corruption. There is need to streamline all payment processes and create awareness on the correct.

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