

SINGAPORE FINDINGS 2018



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PARENTS' SURVEY



METHODOLOGY

On behalf of the Varkey Foundation, Ipsos MORI interviewed **27,380** parents across **29 countries** using an **online survey** via the Ipsos Online Panel system* between the 8th December 2017 and 15th January 2018. These countries were:

Argentina	Japan	United Kingdom
India	Spain	Finland
Singapore	China	Peru
Australia	Kenya**	United States
Indonesia	Turkey	France
South Africa	Colombia	Poland
Brazil	Malaysia	Vietnam
Italy	Uganda**	Germany
South Korea	Estonia**	Russia
Canada	Mexico	

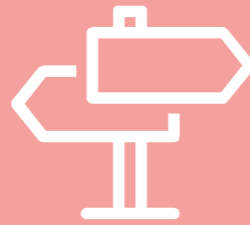
- 1,000 parents took part in **Singapore**. Results contain 1,000 interviews from all other countries except Estonia (500), Kenya (501) and Uganda (371).
- Data has been weighted by age, gender and region of child and corrected for gender of parent.
- As such, the survey is representative of parents of children aged 4-18 in education, based on these characteristics, with equal views from mothers and fathers.
- All countries contribute equally to the total global average. Data has not been adjusted for the relative size of population.
- The survey was conducted online. For countries where internet penetration is low (such as India, Uganda, Kenya, Peru and Indonesia), it is important to note that the data is representative of the urban online population, which tends to be better educated and financially better off.



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Global average 30%

Global rank 1st



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Global average 34%

Global rank 1st



Around two thirds (70%) of Singaporean parents say education standards have improved in the last 10 years, higher than any other country surveyed apart from India (**72%**), and tied with China (**70%**).

Global average 40%

Global rank 2nd

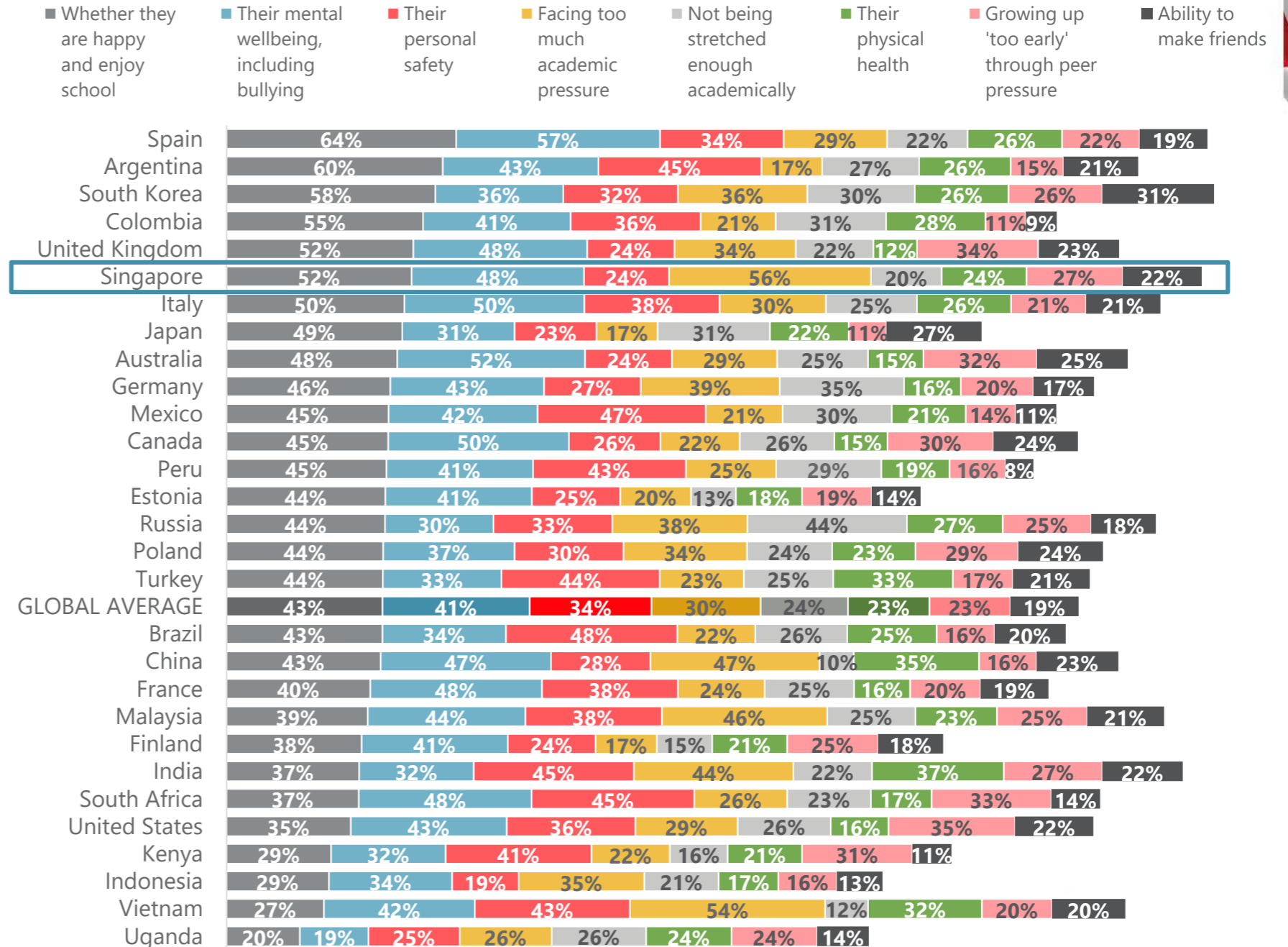
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This is the top concern of Singaporean parents, ranking higher than happiness (52%), mental wellbeing (48%), growing up too early (27%), personal safety (24%), physical health (24%), ability to make friends (22%), and not being stretched enough academically (20%).

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Top 8 categories most often chosen as 1st, 2nd or 3rd choice globally



NB: 21% of parents from Indonesia and Finland gave an answer of 'none'

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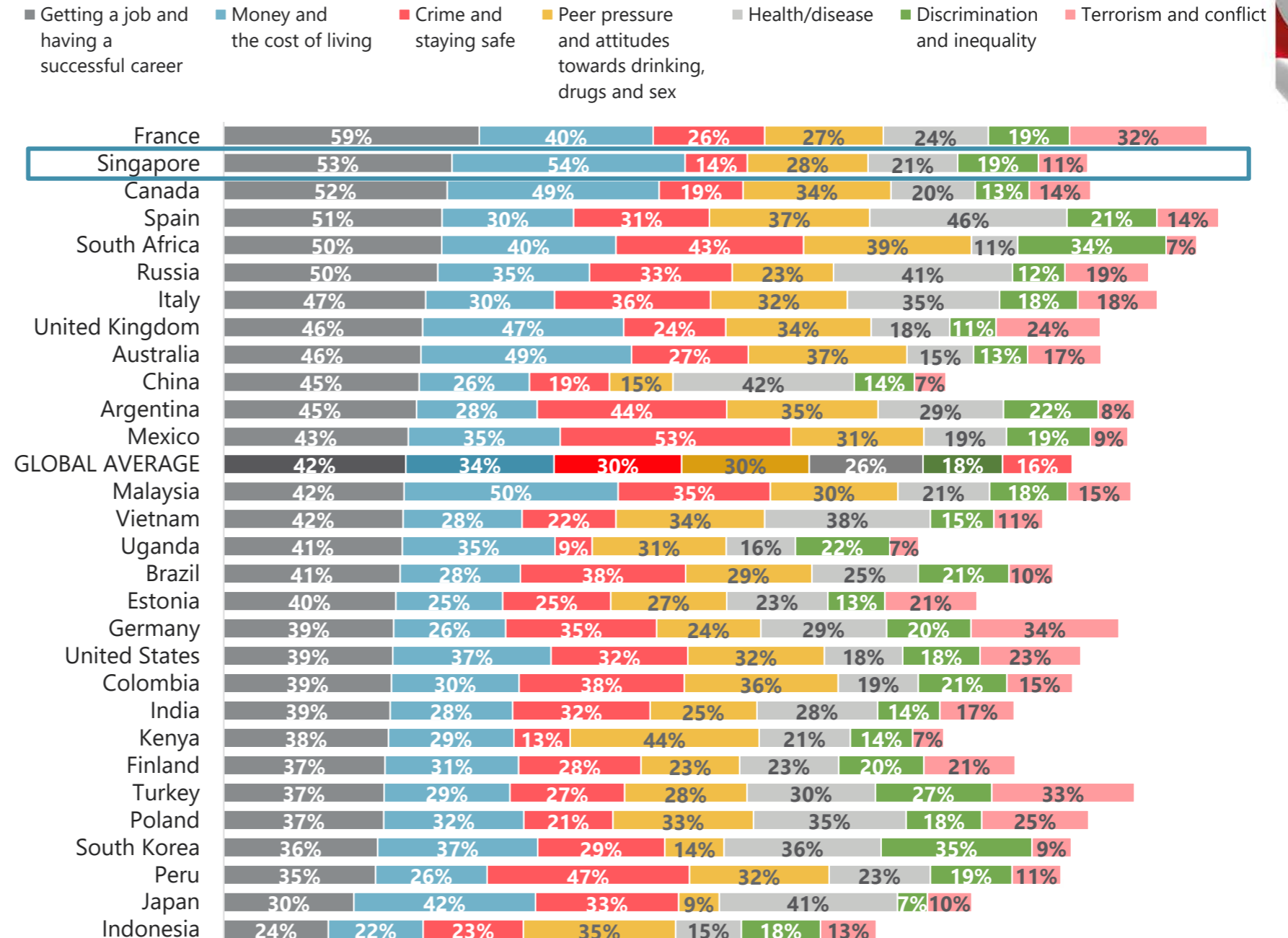
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Bread and butter issues cause Singaporean parents the most anxiety with their second biggest concern (53%) being their child getting a job and having a successful career. By comparison, only 14% listed crime and staying safe as among their top three concerns about their child's future, the third lowest surveyed in the world after Kenya (13%) and Uganda (9%).

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Top 7 categories most often chosen as 1st, 2nd or 3rd choice globally



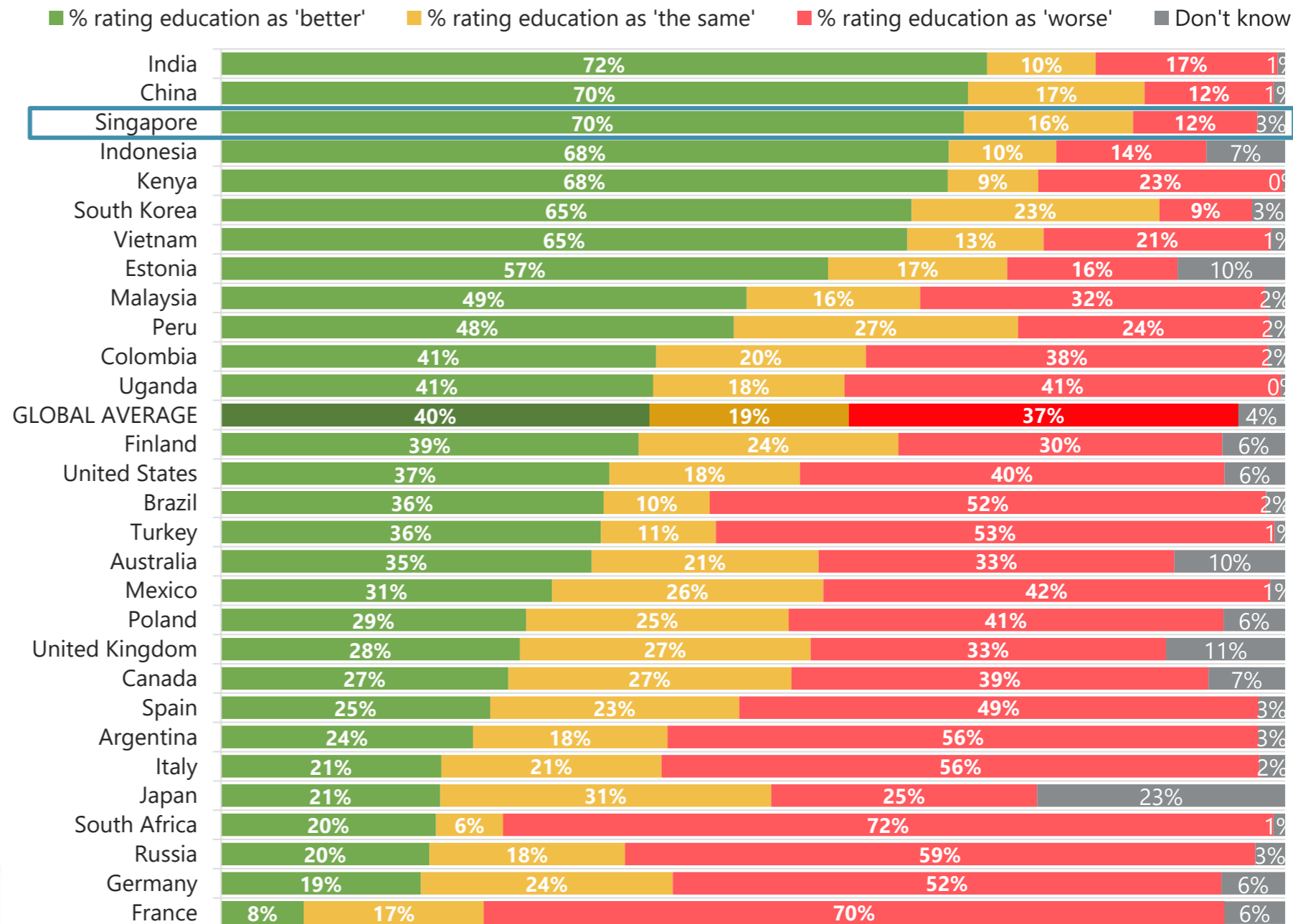
NB: 30% of parents from Indonesia gave an answer of 'don't know'

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Do you think the standard of education in your country has become better or worse over the last 10 years?

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How would you rate the quality of teaching at your child's current school?

Singaporean parents are positive about education in their country. **Eighty percent** rated the quality of teaching at their child's school as good, compared with a global average of **78%**.

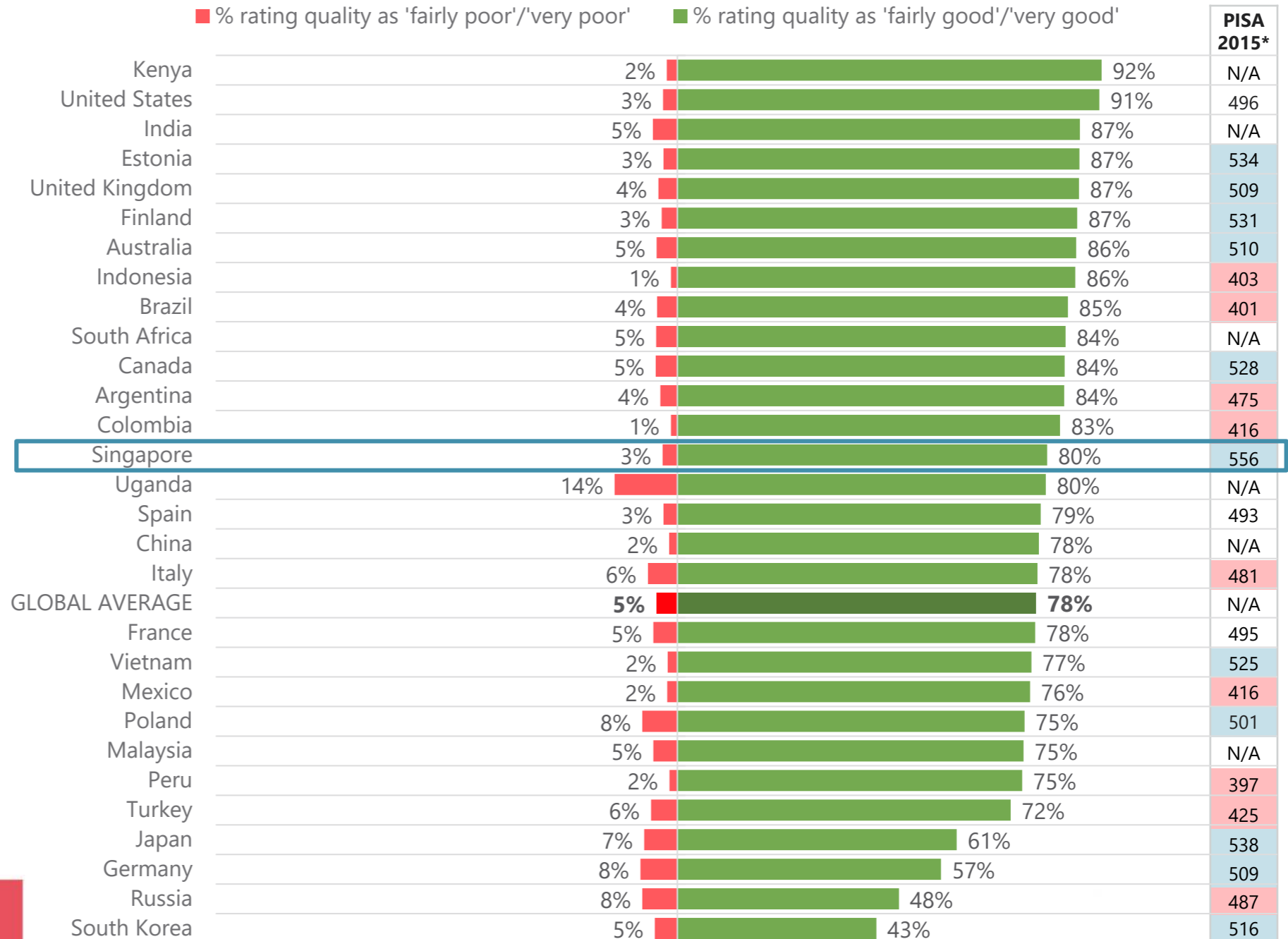
*Mean science score in PISA Science 2015

Countries/economies with a mean performance/share of top performers above the OECD average; countries/economies with a share of low achievers below the OECD average

Countries/economies with a mean performance/share of top performers/share of low achievers not significantly different from the OECD average

Countries/economies with a mean performance/share of top performers below the OECD average; countries/economies with a share of low achievers above the OECD average

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How would you rate the quality of free to attend government-funded schools in your country?

73% rated the quality of free to attend schools as good, compared with a global average of 45%. This supports the country's number 1 ranking out of 70 countries in PISA.

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