

2017 NATIONAL TRAINEE SURVEY RESULTS

MEDICAL ONCOLOGY

SPECIALTY SPECIFIC QUESTIONS

SEPTEMBER 2017

Introduction

The Specialty Specific Questions have been developed to test trainee's access to, participation in or confidence in the attainment of specific aspects of the specialty training curriculum.

The questions have been included as Programme Specific Questions in the annual GMC National Trainee Survey. A table showing trainee's collective responses from a national perspective, a comparison with the responses last previously received for the question (if it has been asked in a previous year) and the region or regions where agreement is highest or lowest are shown on pages 4-7 with a fuller breakdown of the questions and the trainee responses (nationally, by Deanery/LETB and by grade later in this report.

Deanery / LETB	Year	ST3 – ST6	% Difference
Health Education East Midlands	2016	6	+0%
	2017	6	
Health Education East of England	2016	6	-33%
	2017	4	
Health Education N, C & E London	2016	14	+7%
	2017	15	
Health Education North East	2016	7	
	2017	<3	
Health Education North West	2016	12	+17%
	2017	14	
Health Education NW London	2016	24	+46%
	2017	35	
Health Education South London	2016	14	-21%
	2017	11	
Health Education South West	2016	3	+33%
	2017	4	
Health Education Thames Valley	2016	5	+0%
	2017	5	
Health Education Wessex	2016	7	+29%
	2017	9	
Health Education West Midlands	2016	12	-8%
	2017	11	
Health Education Yorkshire and the Humber	2016	13	-15%
	2017	11	
NHS Education for Scotland	2016	15	-26%
	2017	11	
Northern Ireland Medical & Dental Training Agency	2016	5	+60%
	2017	8	
Wales Deanery	2016	5	+0%
	2017	5	
TOTAL	2016	148	+1%
	2017	149	

Reduction of >10% of trainees completing the NTS in 2017 compared to 2016

Specialty Specific Questions – Medical Oncology

Quality Criteria	% trainees agreeing overall	2016/2017 Difference	Agreement Highest	Agreement Lowest
Q1: When I prescribe systemic anti-cancer therapy, I have supervision appropriate to my level of training.	94%	-2%	7/14 regions 100%	Thames Valley 60% (3/5) EOE, SW 75%
Q2: I have the opportunity to learn about the role of radiotherapy in the management of cancer patients as applicable to medical oncology trainees	80%	-4%	4/14 regions 100%	LDN (NC&E), THV 60% LDN (S), YAH 72%
Q3: I am confident in planning the investigations appropriate for a patient suspected of having cancer or presenting with a carcinoma of unknown primary.	96%	+5%	8/14 regions 100%	Wales 80% (4/5) LDN (S), YAH 91%
Q4: I am confident in the management of patients with grade 3-4 toxicity.	96%	+2%	10/14 regions 100%	LDN (S), WMID 81% Wessex 89% (8/9)
Q5: I have adequate opportunity to present new patients and discuss their management plan.	94%	-3%	7/14 regions 100%	Thames Valley 40% (2/5) EOE, SW 75%
Q6: I have adequate opportunity to present cases at MDT meetings.	78%	-5%	EMID, WAL, YAH 100%	Thames Valley 40% (2/5) Wessex 55% (5/9) NIR, WMID 63%
Q7: I have adequate opportunity to complete audit/quality improvement projects.	81%	-1%	SW, WAL, WES 100%	East of England 50% (2/4) YAH 64% (7/11) East Midlands 67% (4/6)
Q8: I have adequate opportunity to participate in clinical research including clinical trials.	84%	-2%	4/14 regions 100%	South Western 50% (2/4) Thames Valley 60% (3/5) LDN (S), NIR 63%
Q9: I am confident in communicating effectively with patients, including breaking bad news.	100%	+0%	14/14 regions 100%	
Q10: I work with medical oncology consultants who inspire me with motivation in my personal development.	88%	-2%	6/14 regions 100%	Thames Valley 40% (2/5) London (NC&E) 73% (11/15) EOE, SW 75%

Deanery / LETB	Year	N=	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
Health Education East Midlands	2016	6	100	83	100	100	100	67	50	100	100	100
	2017	6	100	83	100	100	100	100	67	100	100	100
Health Education East of England	2016	6	100	100	83	100	100	100	83	100	100	83
	2017	4	75	75	100	100	75	75	50	75	100	75
Health Education London (North, Central & East)	2016	14	86	79	86	86	93	100	79	93	100	86
	2017	15	94	60	100	93	93	87	80	87	100	73
Health Education London (North West)	2016	24	92	79	96	96	100	96	88	83	100	83
	2017	35	97	75	97	100	100	94	77	88	100	91
Health Education London (South)	2016	14	100	93	93	93	100	86	79	79	100	93
	2017	11	100	72	91	81	100	72	82	63	100	100
Health Education North East	2016	7	100	86	86	100	100	71	86	100	100	100
	2017	<3	No data	No data	No data	No data	No data	No data	No data	No data	No data	No data
Health Education North West	2016	12	83	92	100	92	100	92	92	92	100	100
	2017	14	100	93	93	100	100	79	93	100	100	78
Health Education South West	2016	3	100	100	100	100	67	67	67	33	100	67
	2017	4	75	100	100	100	75	75	100	50	100	75
Health Education Thames Valley	2016	5	80	80	100	100	100	60	100	100	100	100
	2017	5	60	60	100	100	40	40	80	60	100	40
Health Education Wessex	2016	7	100	71	71	86	100	71	57	71	100	86
	2017	9	100	100	100	89	100	55	100	77	100	100
Health Education West Midlands	2016	12	100	83	100	100	100	92	100	100	100	100
	2017	11	100	100	100	81	90	63	72	100	100	100
Health Education Yorkshire and the Humber	2016	13	77	85	85	100	85	62	62	85	100	77
	2017	11	100	72	91	100	91	100	64	73	100	91
NHS Education for Scotland	2016	15	87	87	80	87	100	67	80	87	100	87
	2017	11	82	73	100	100	100	72	91	91	100	81
Northern Ireland Medical & Dental Training Agency	2016	5	100	60	100	100	100	100	100	80	100	100
	2017	8	100	76	88	100	88	63	88	63	100	100
Wales Deanery	2016	5	100	100	80	80	100	80	100	60	100	100
	2017	5	80	100	80	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

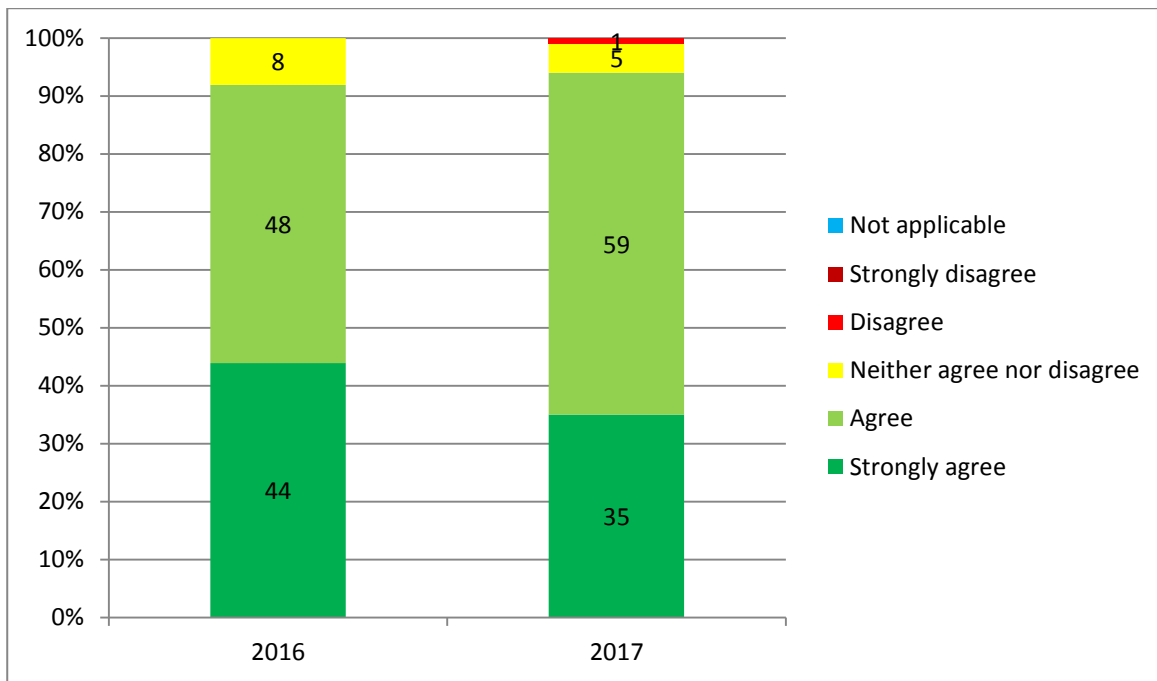
Increase in agreement 2016/17	Decrease in agreement 2016/17	Agreement unchanged 2016/17
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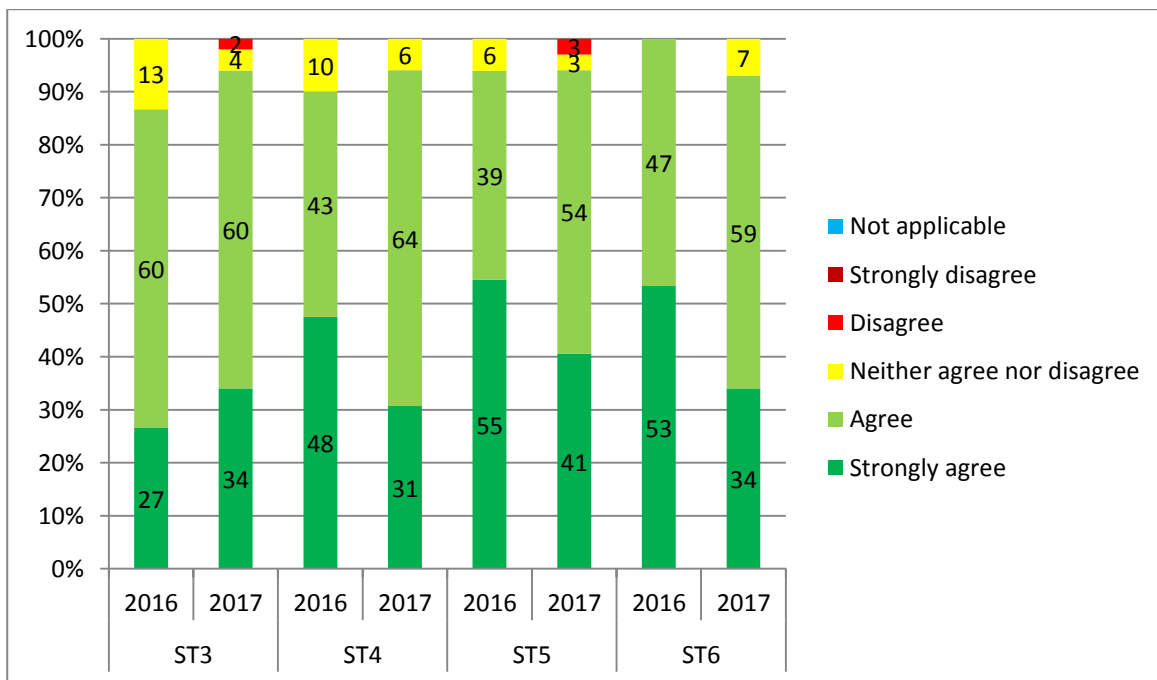
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2016: n=148 2017: n=151

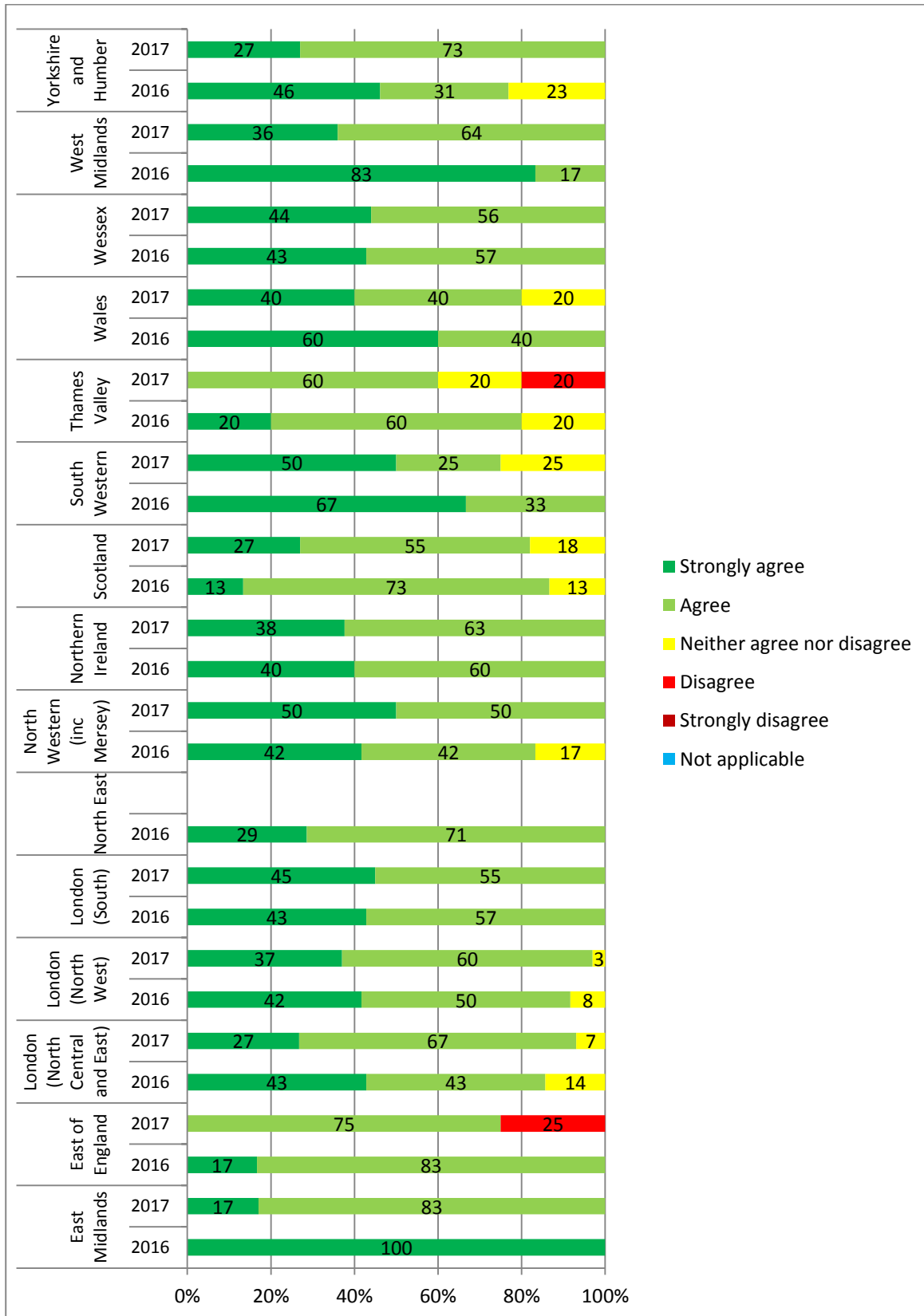
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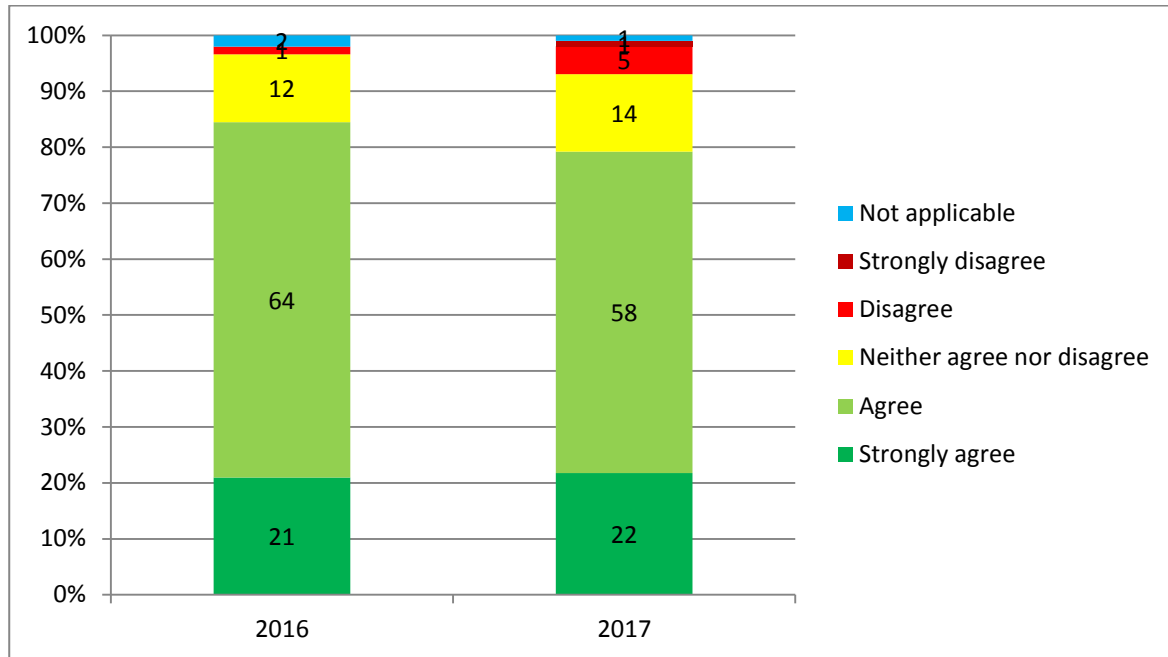


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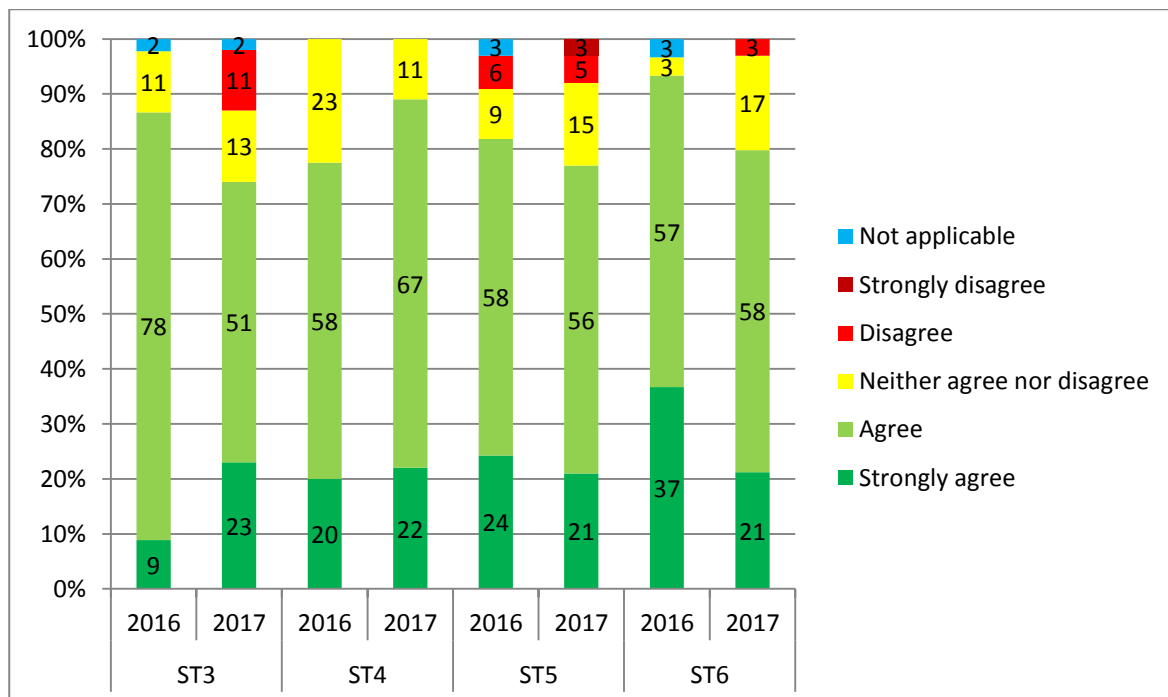


Q2. I have the opportunity to learn about the role of radiotherapy in the management of cancer patients as applicable to medical oncology trainees. (This question was presented to trainees of the following grades: ST3, ST4, ST5, ST6) 2016: n=148, 2017: n=151

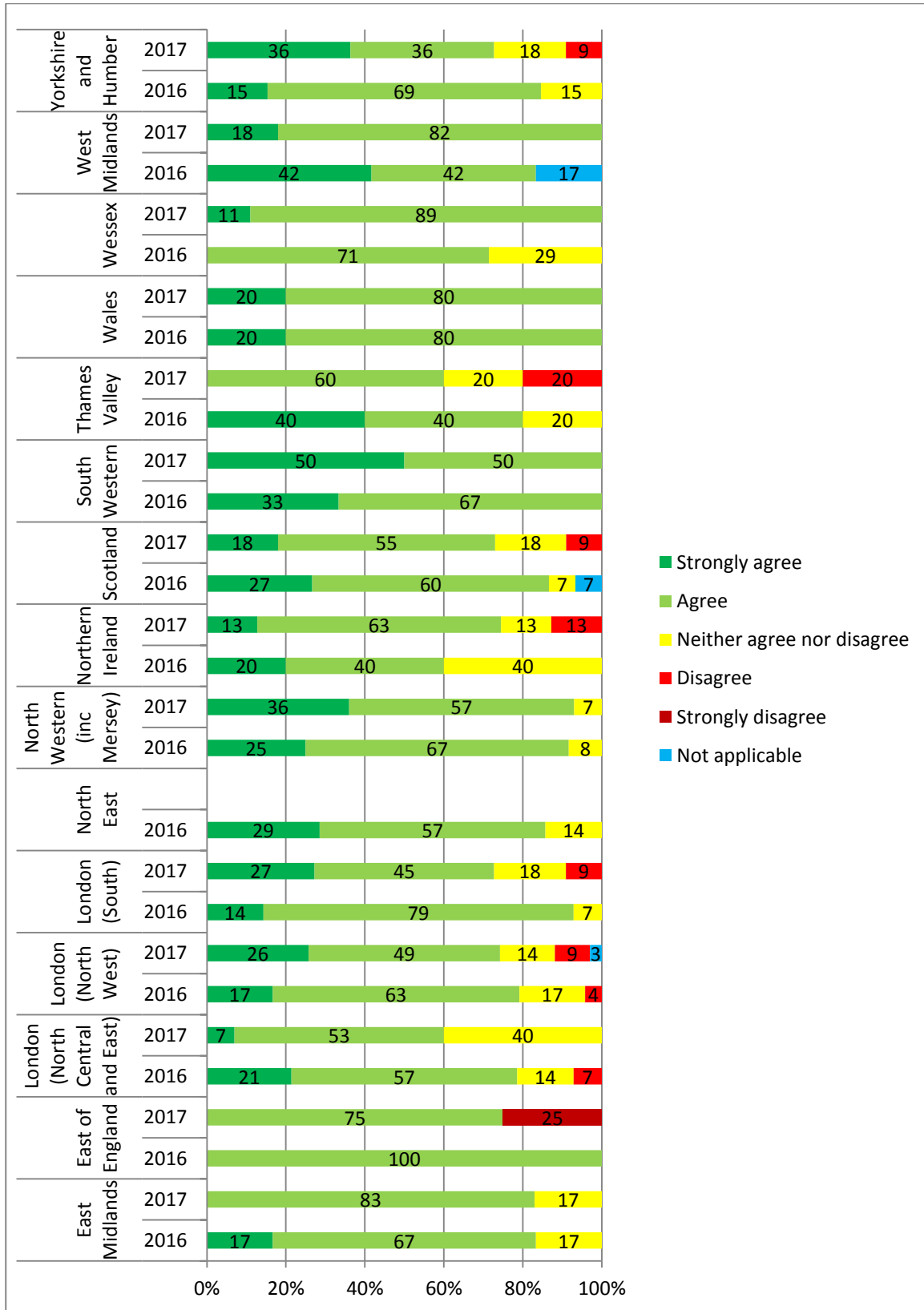
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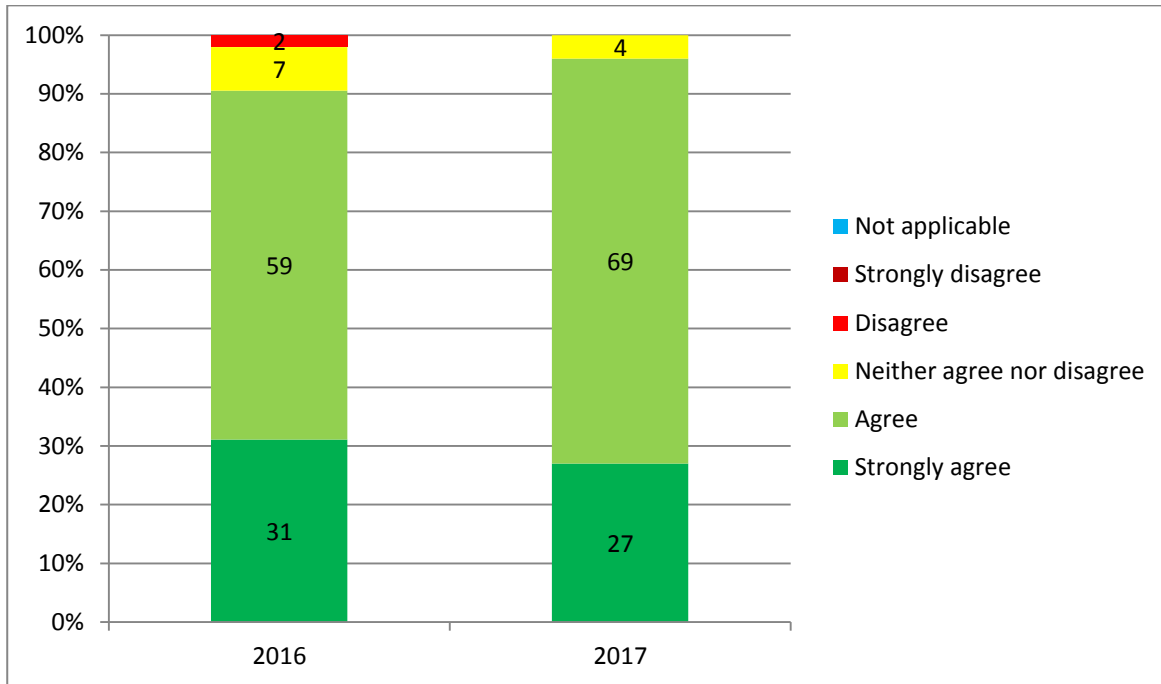


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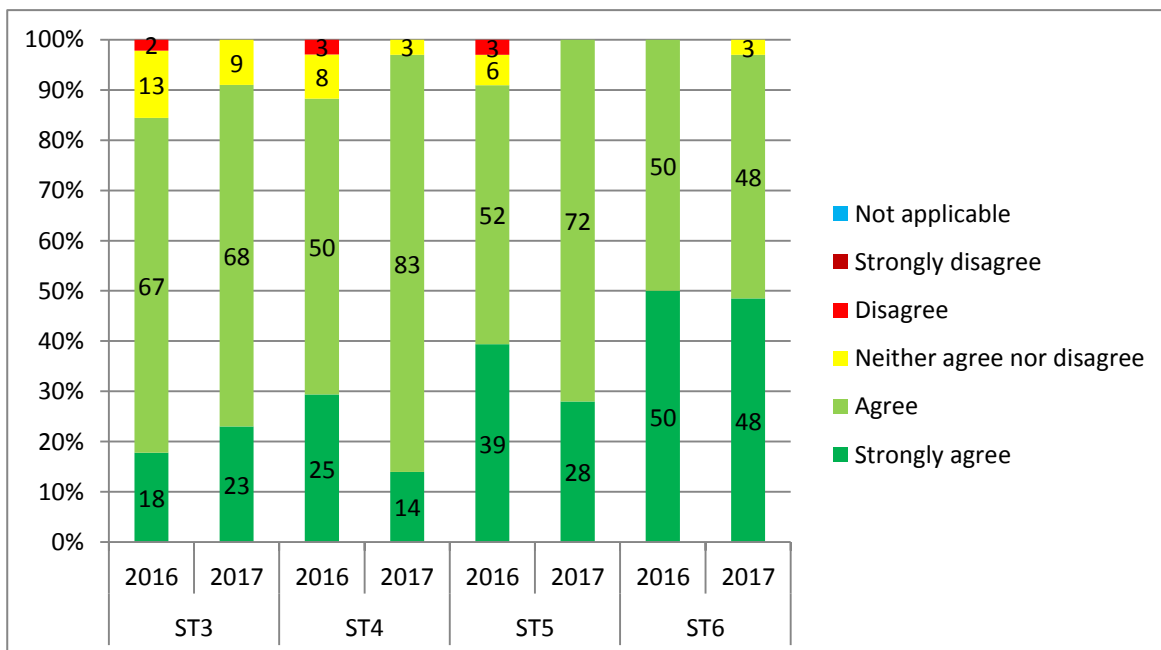


Q3. I am confident in planning the investigations appropriate for a patient suspected of having cancer or presenting with a carcinoma of unknown primary. (This question was presented to trainees of the following grades: ST3, ST4, ST5, ST6) 2016: n=148, 2017: n=151

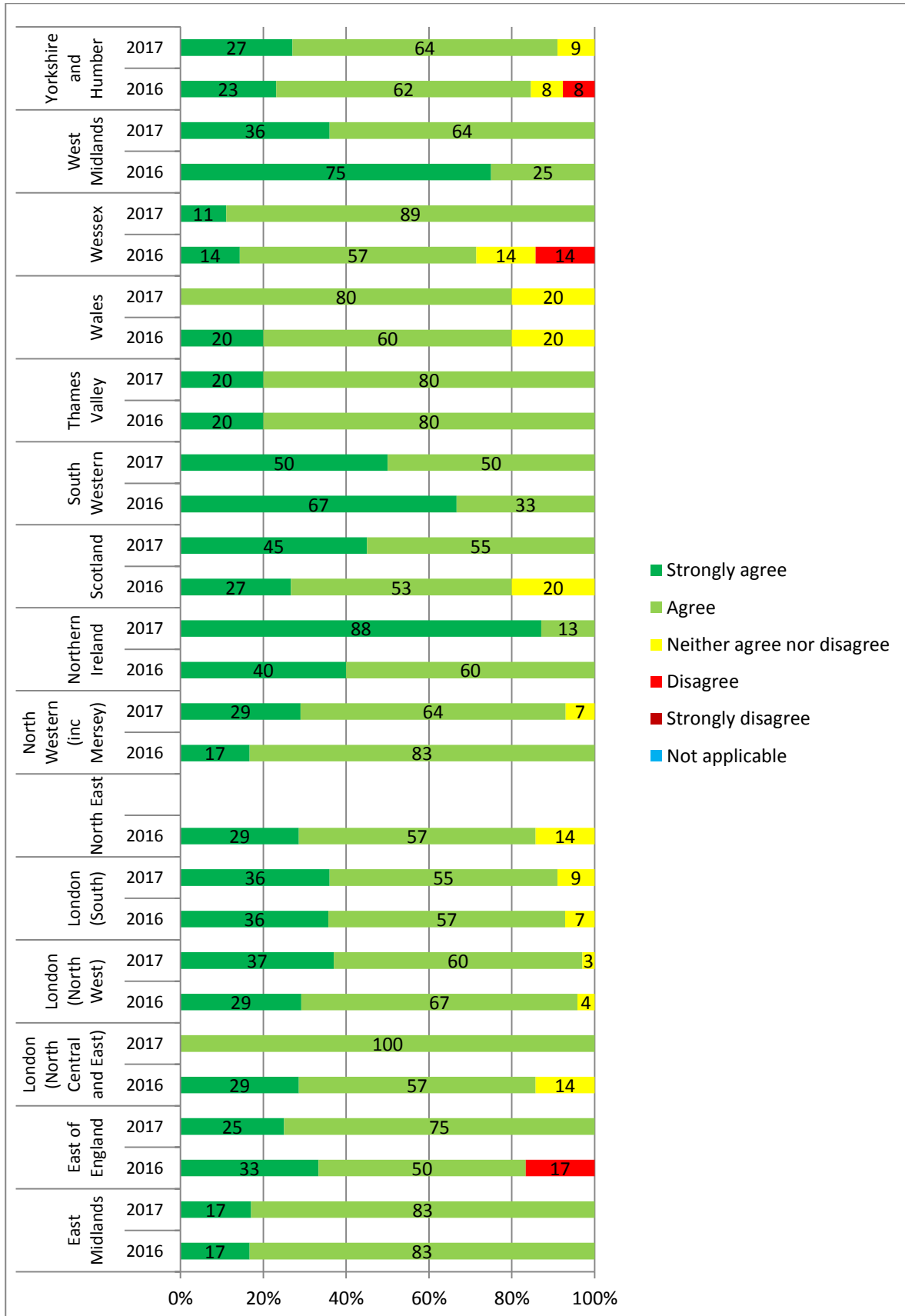
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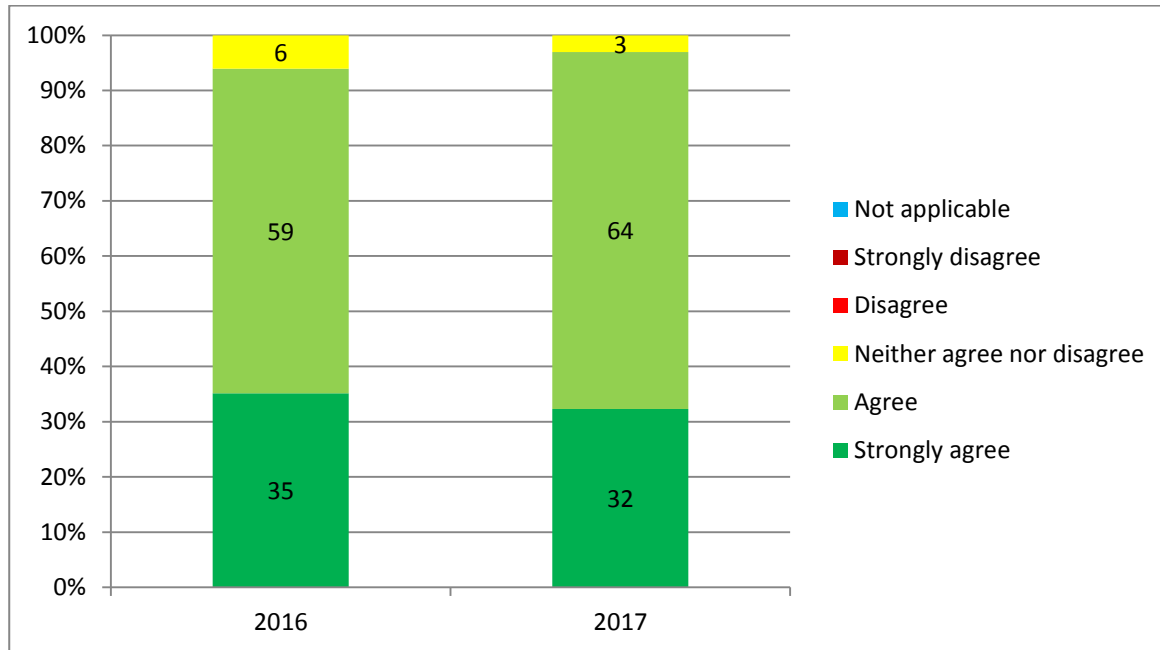


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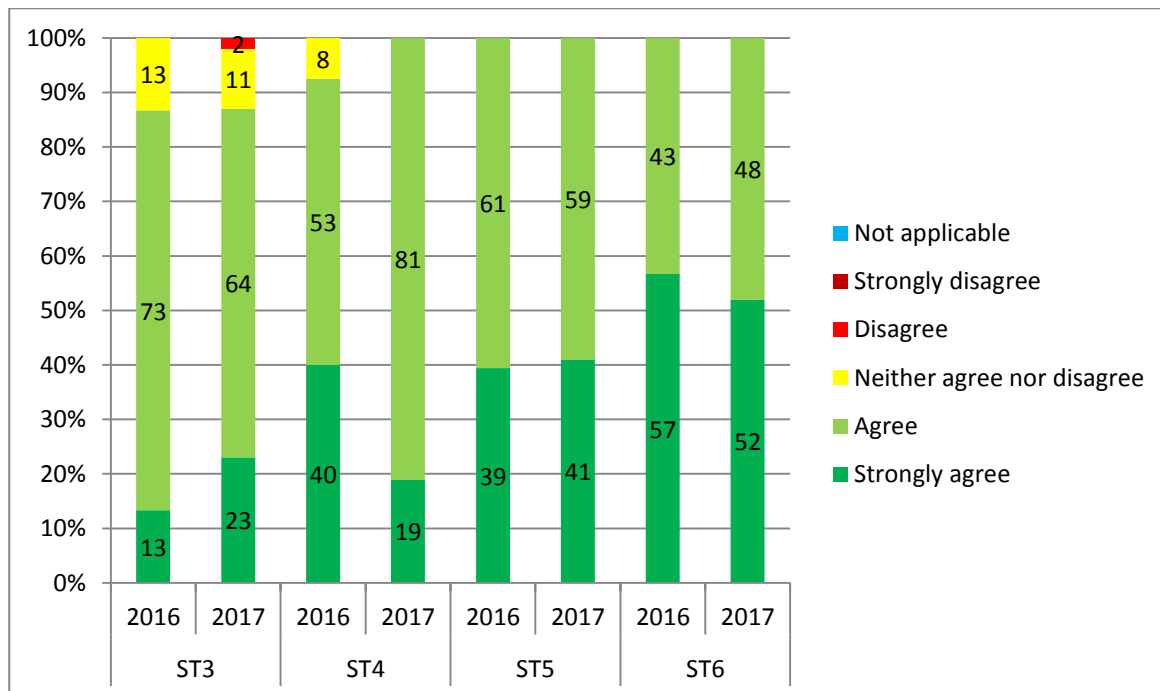


Q4. I am confident in the management of patients with grade 3-4 toxicity. (This question was presented to trainees of the following grades: ST3, ST4, ST5, ST6) 2016: n=148, 2017: n=151

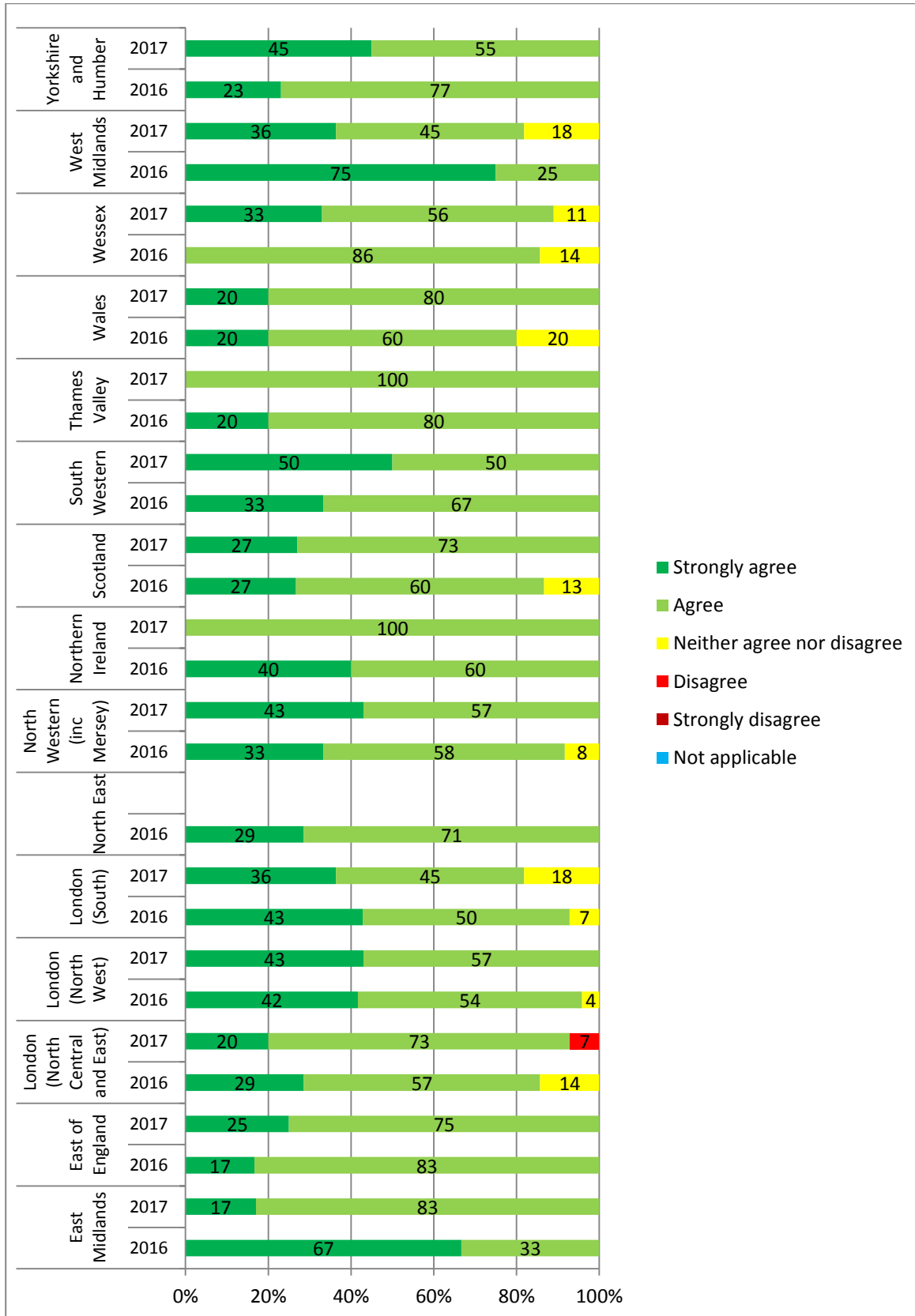
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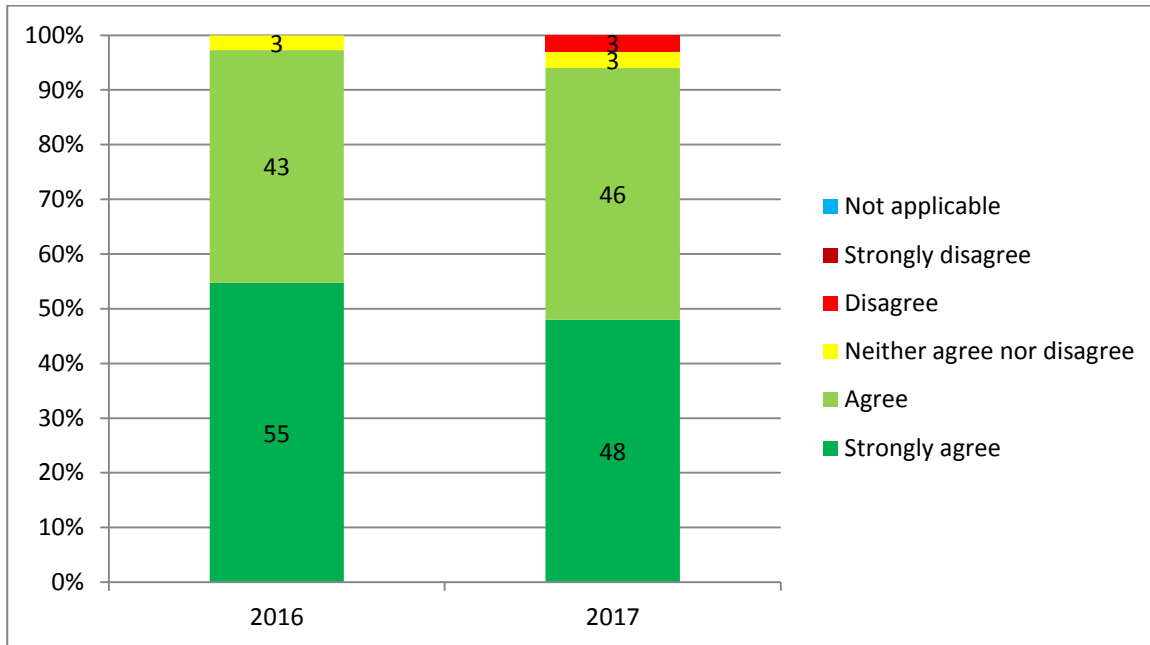
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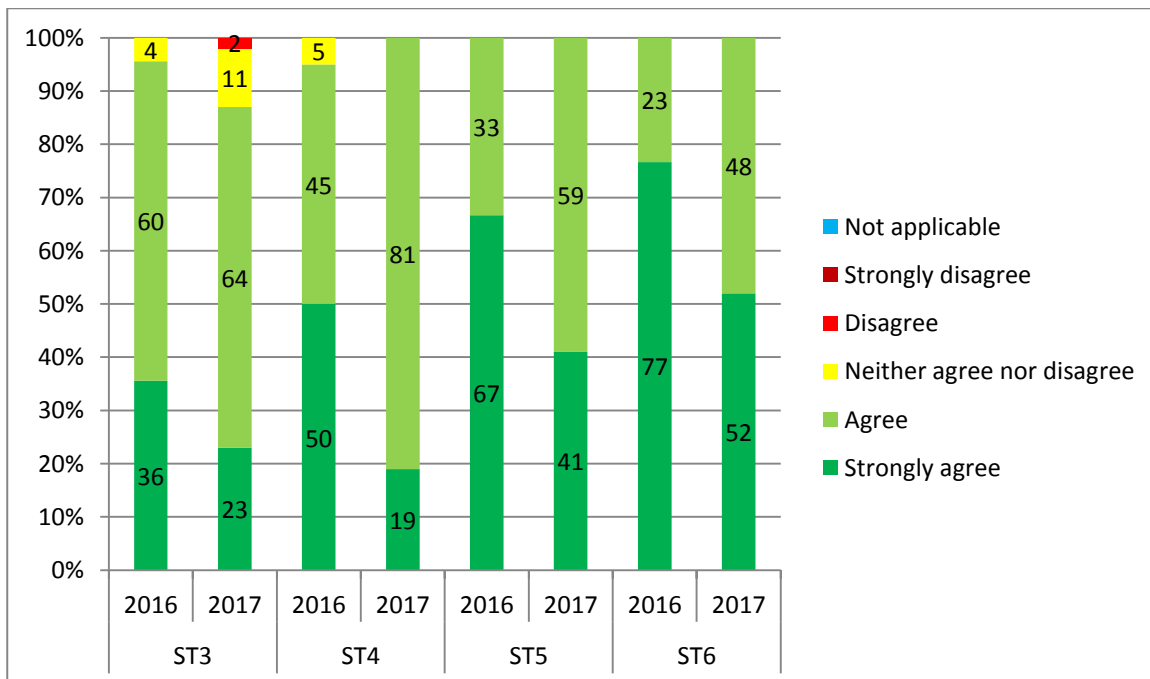
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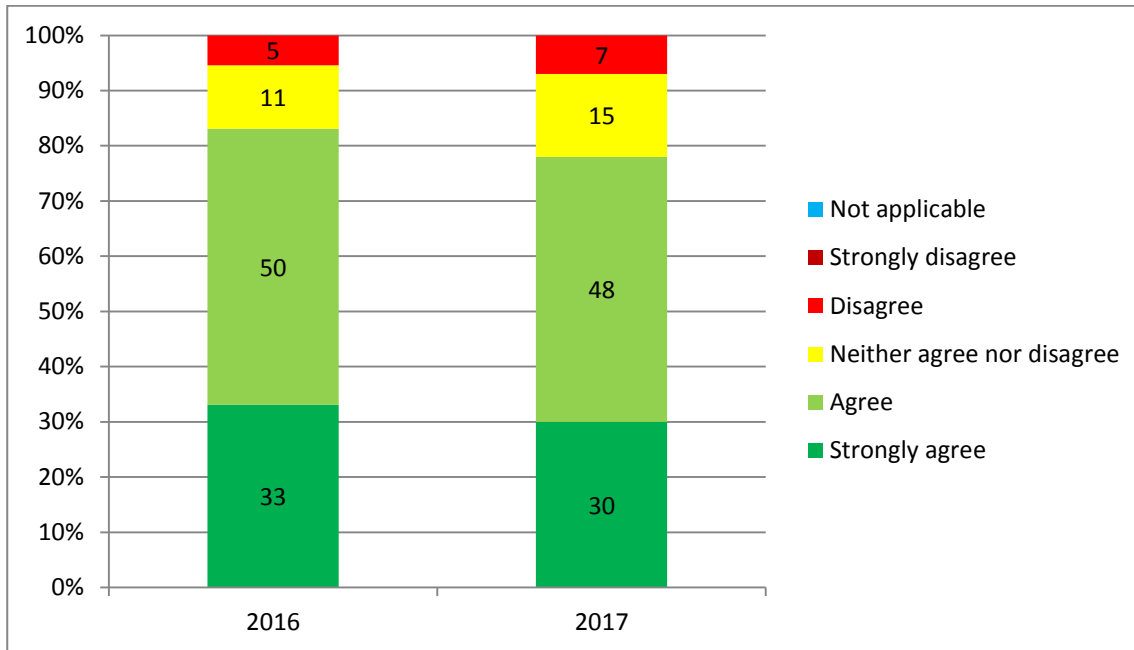


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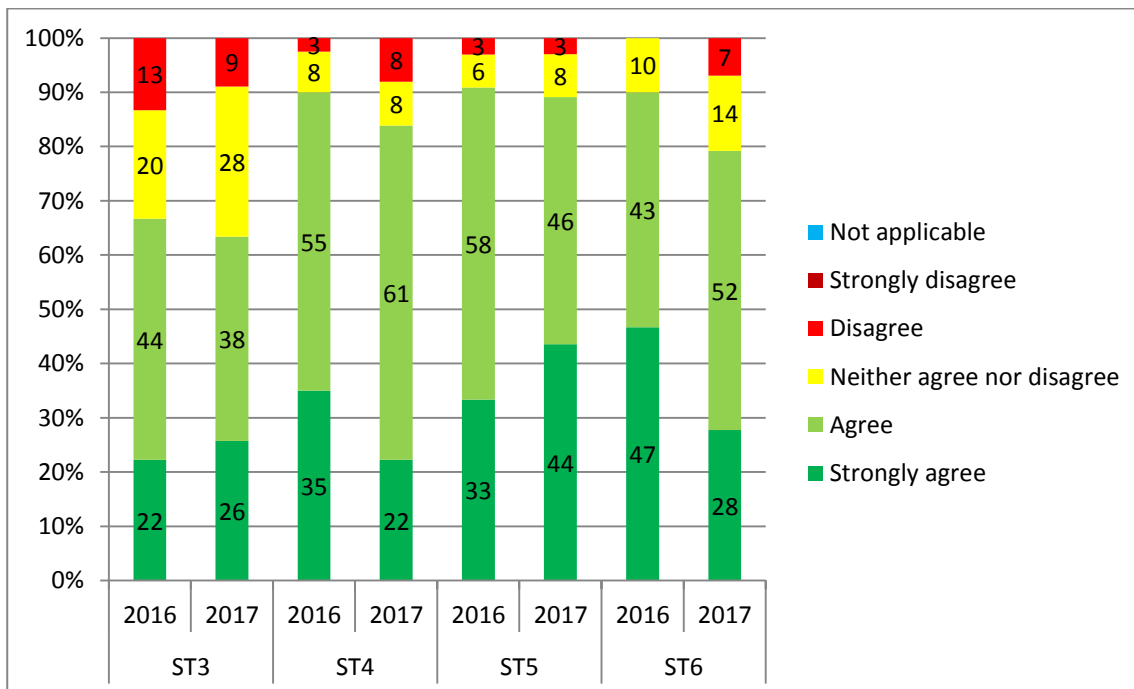


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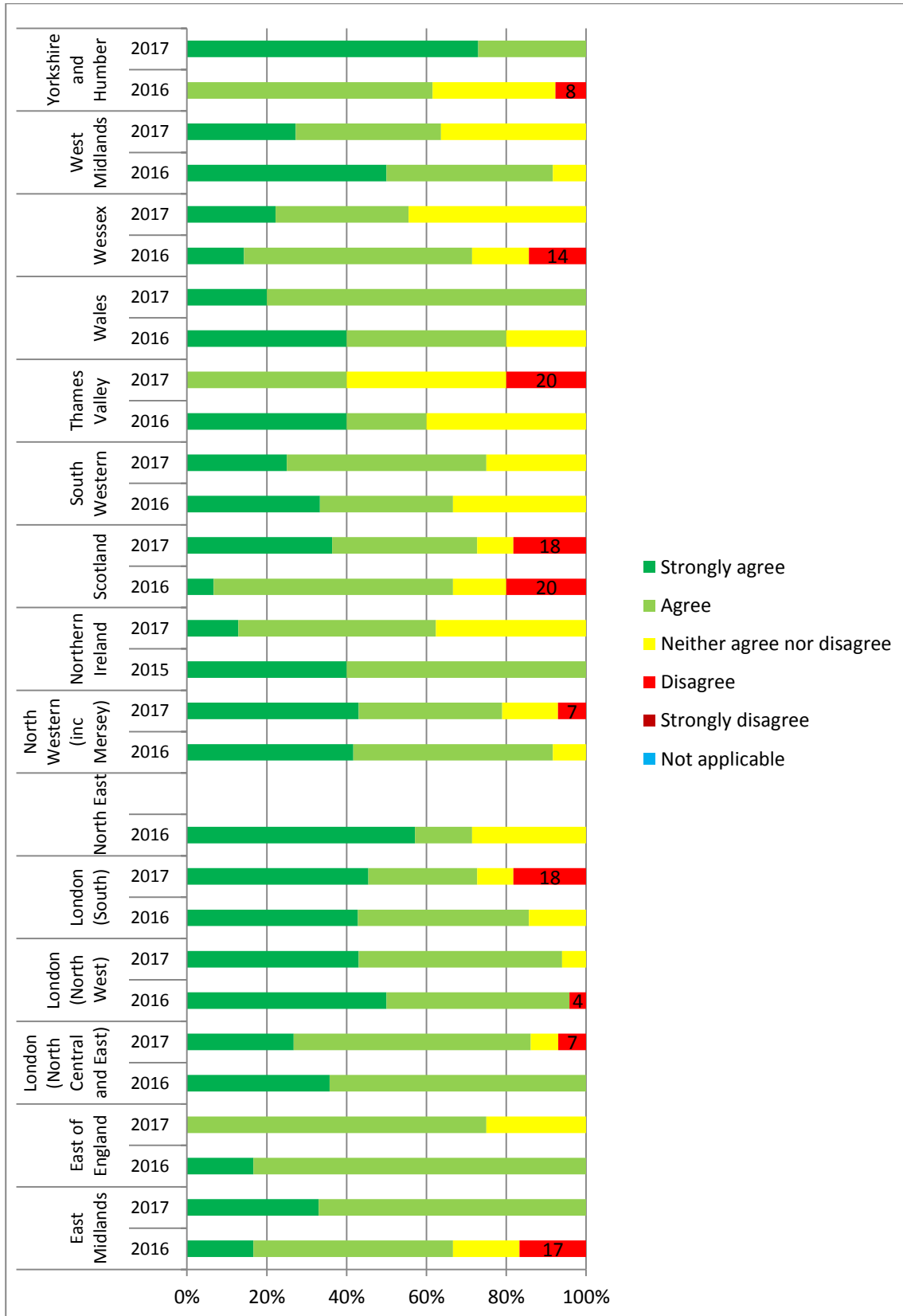
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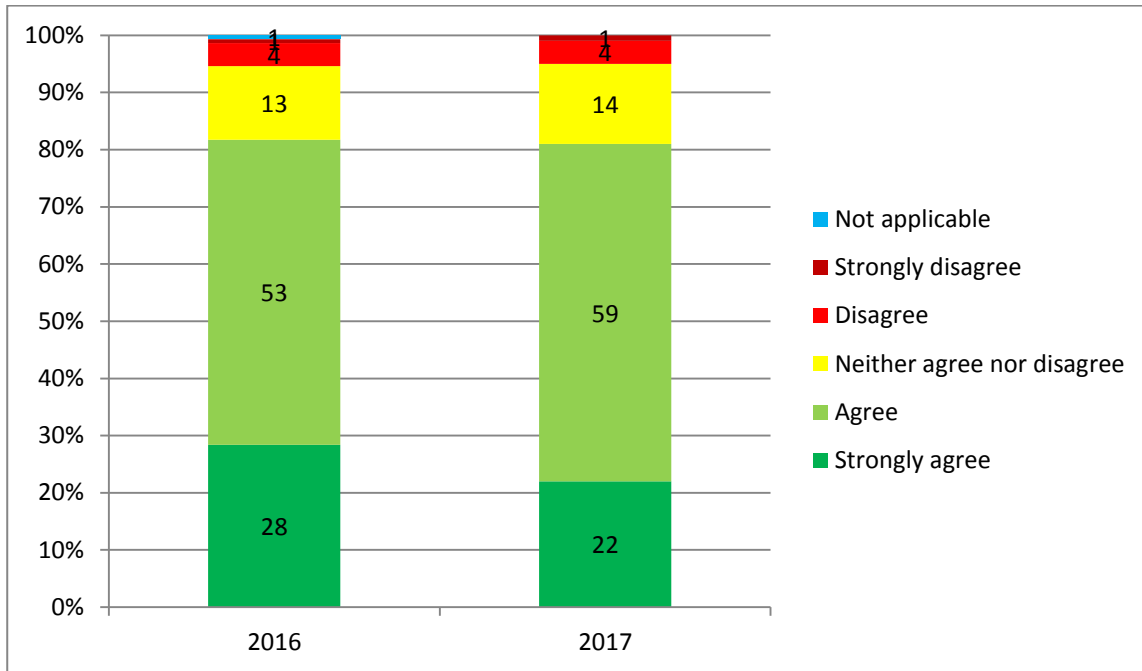


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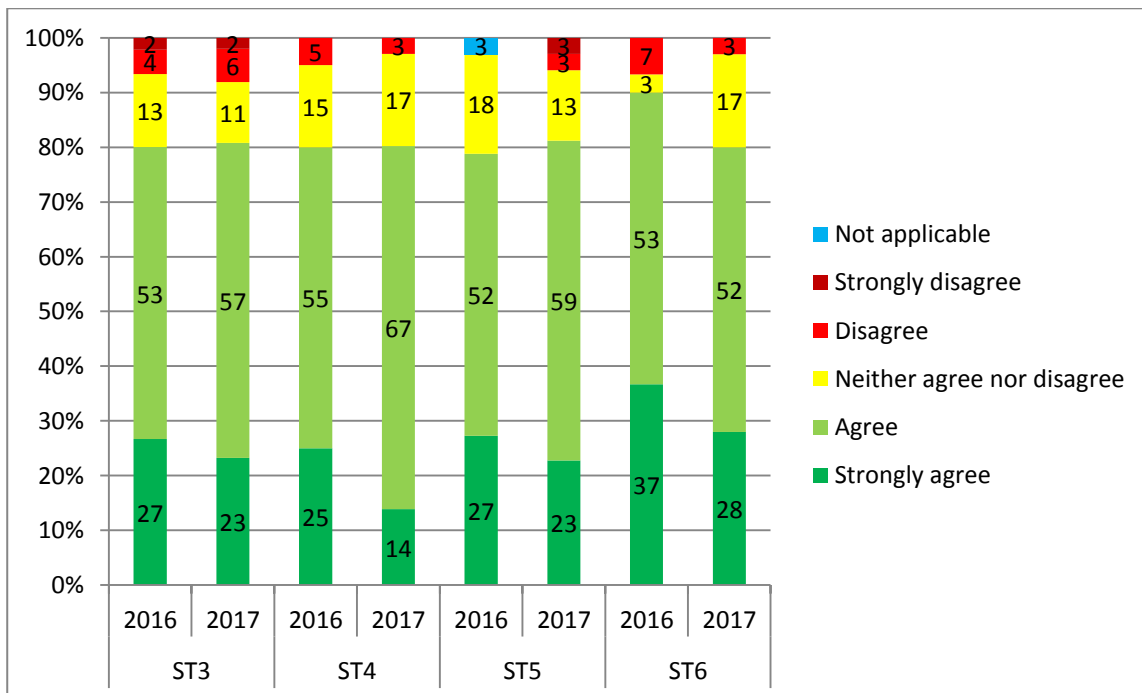


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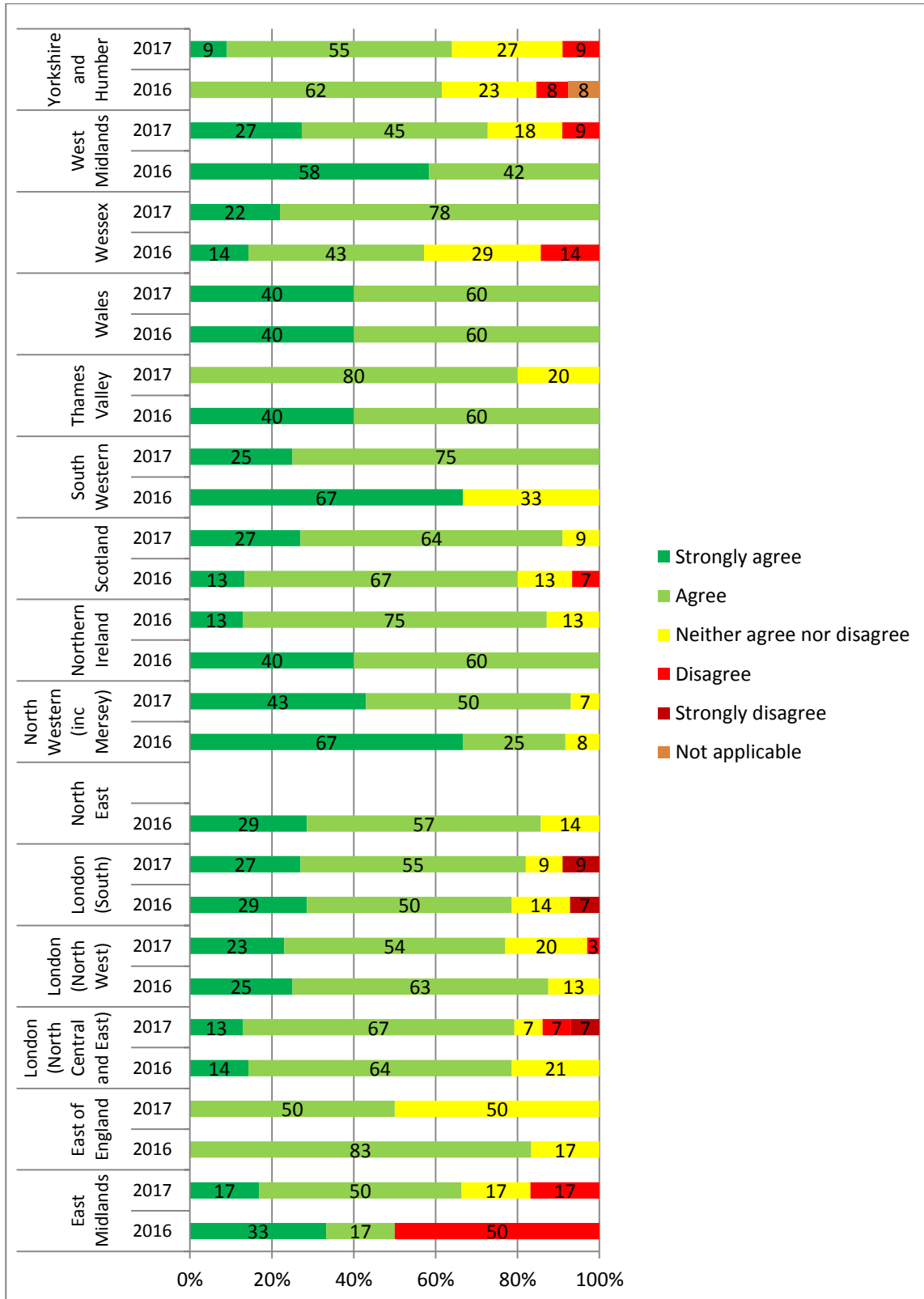
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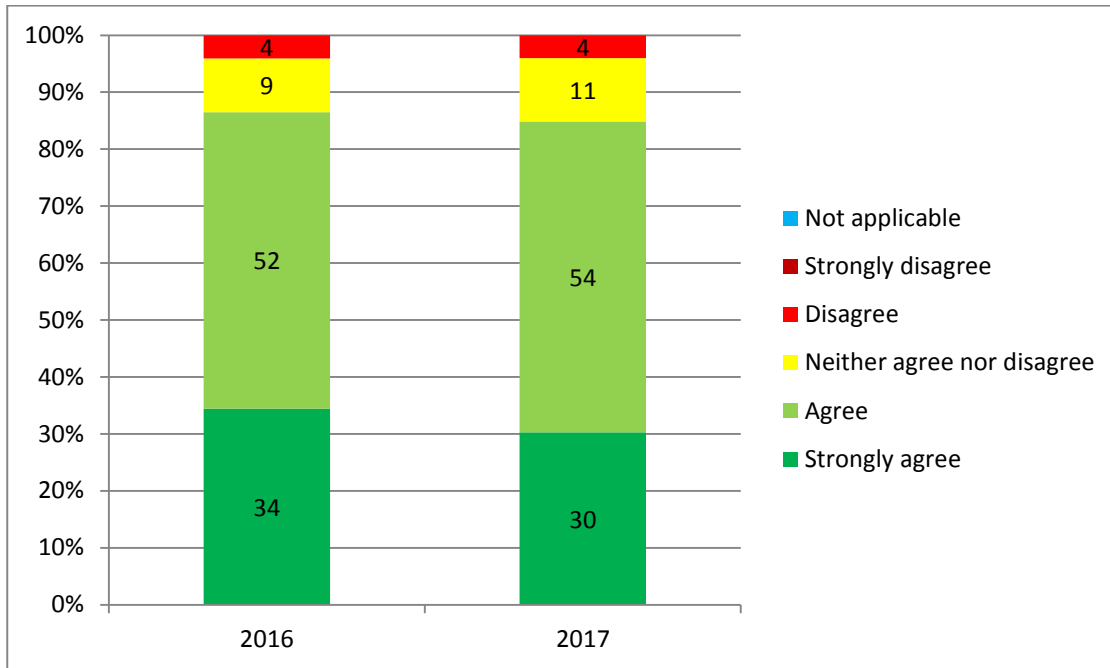
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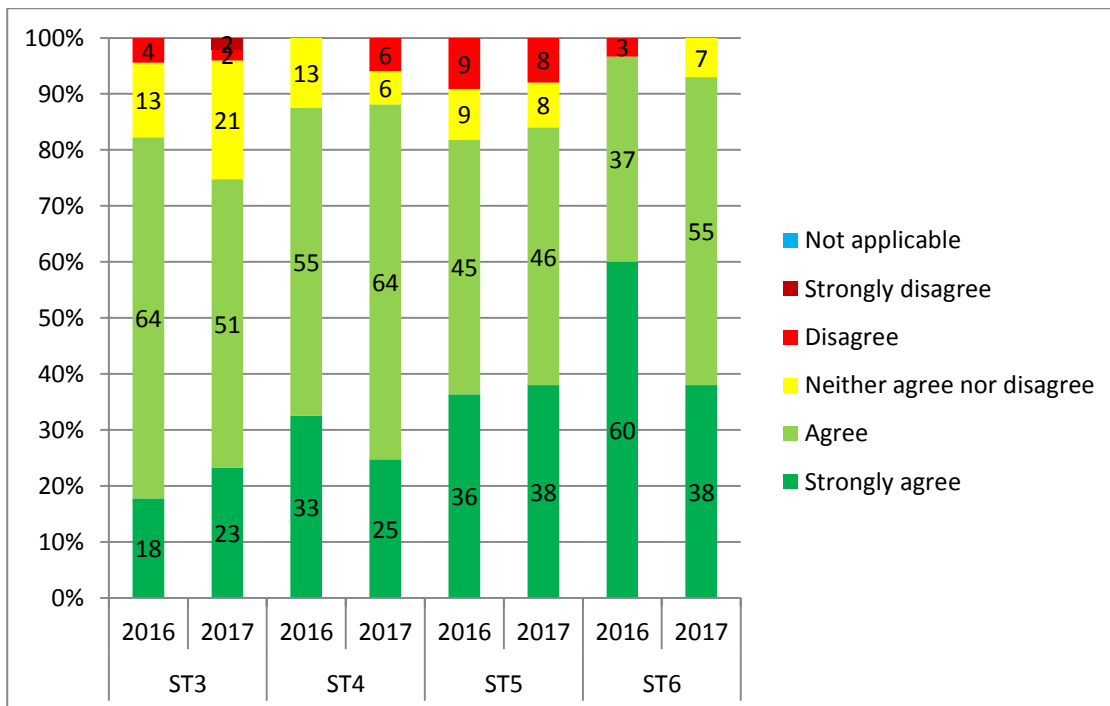
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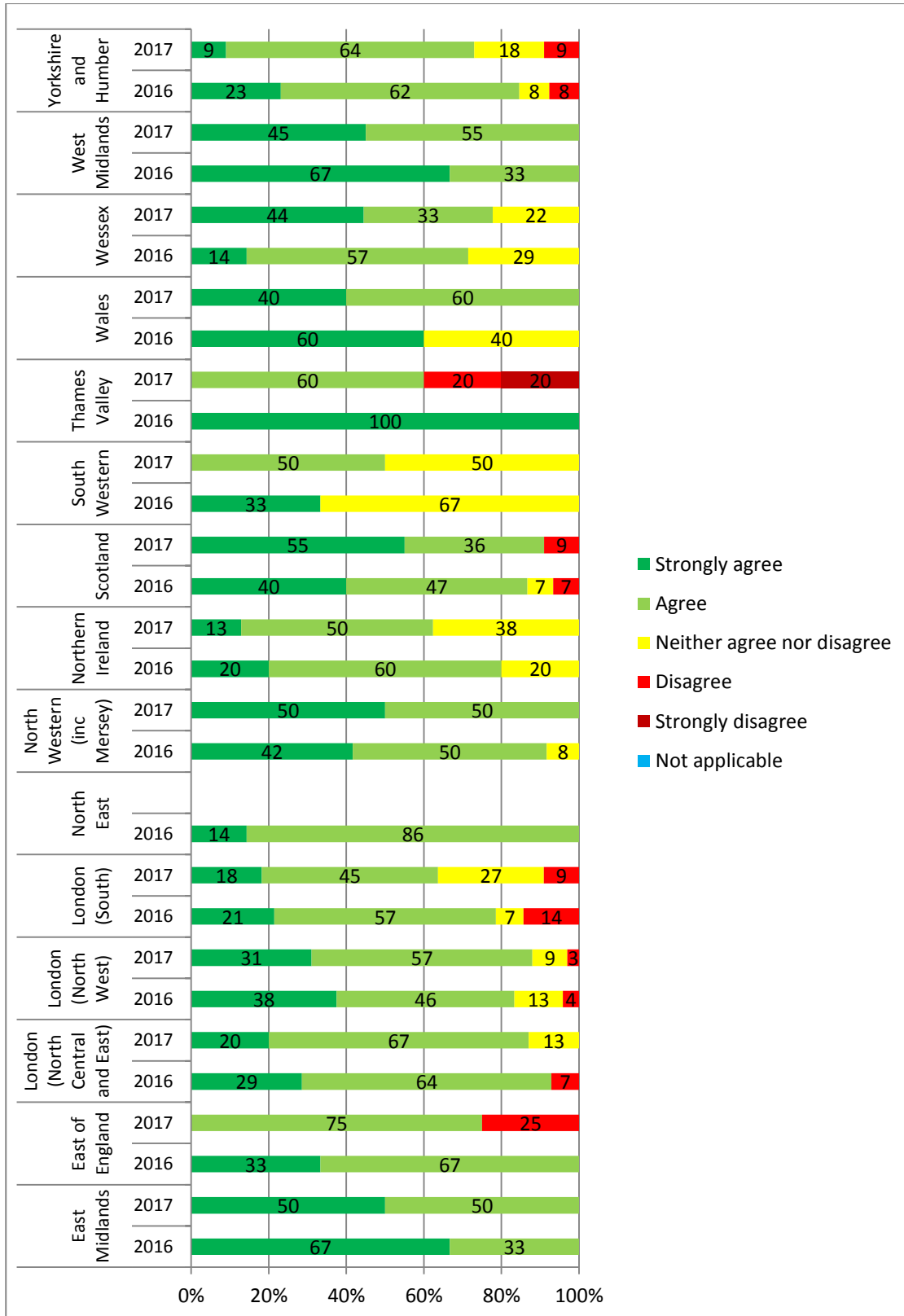
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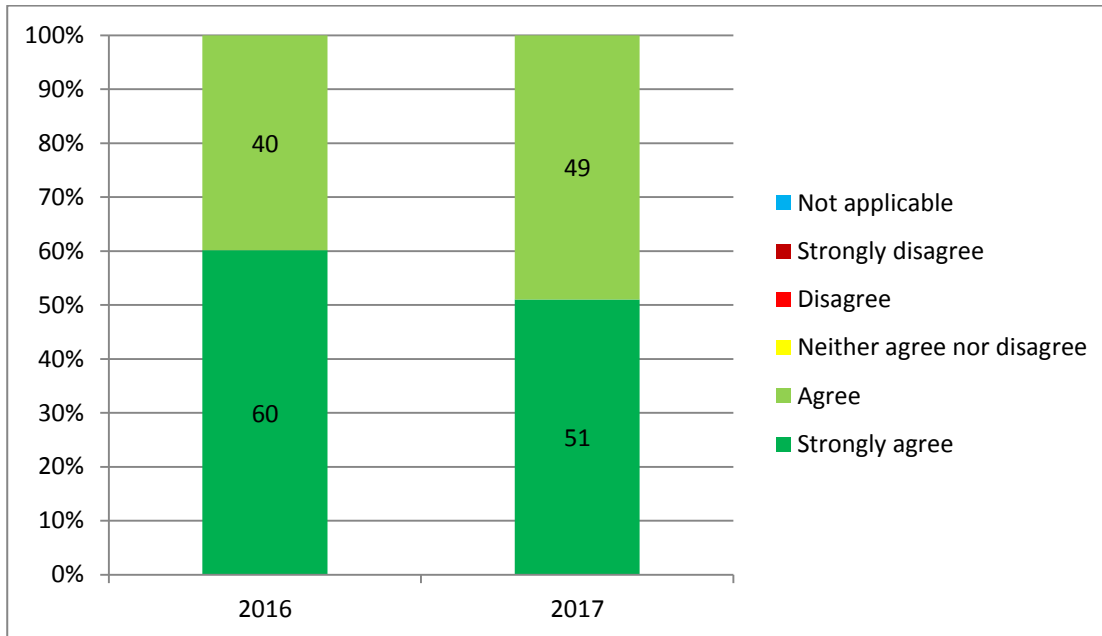
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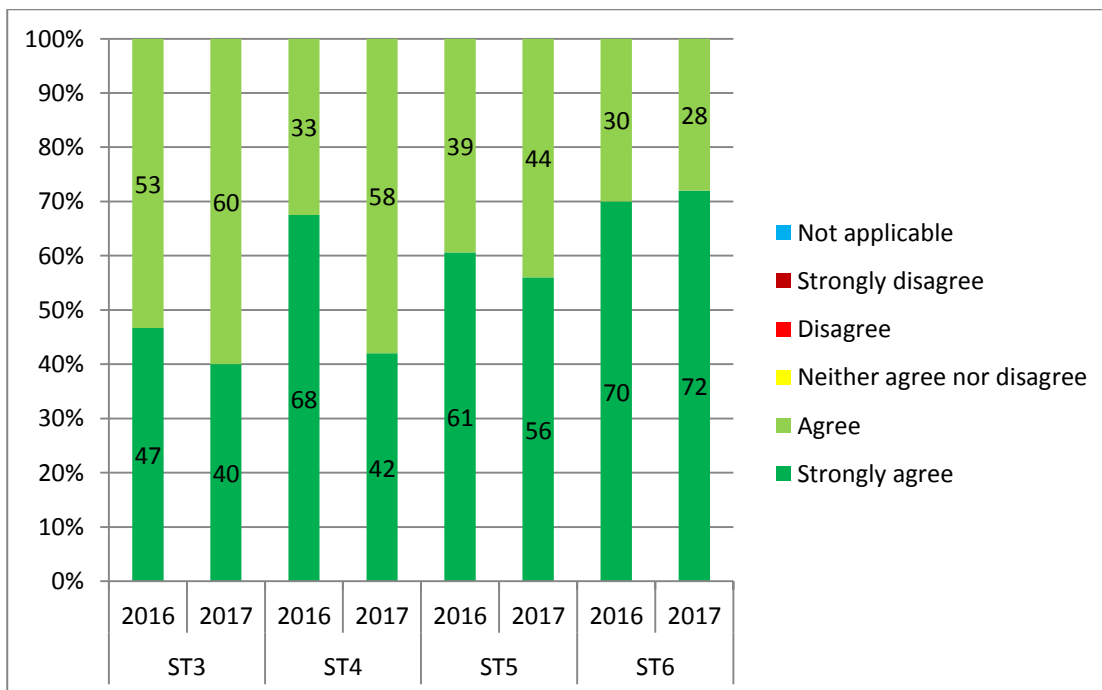
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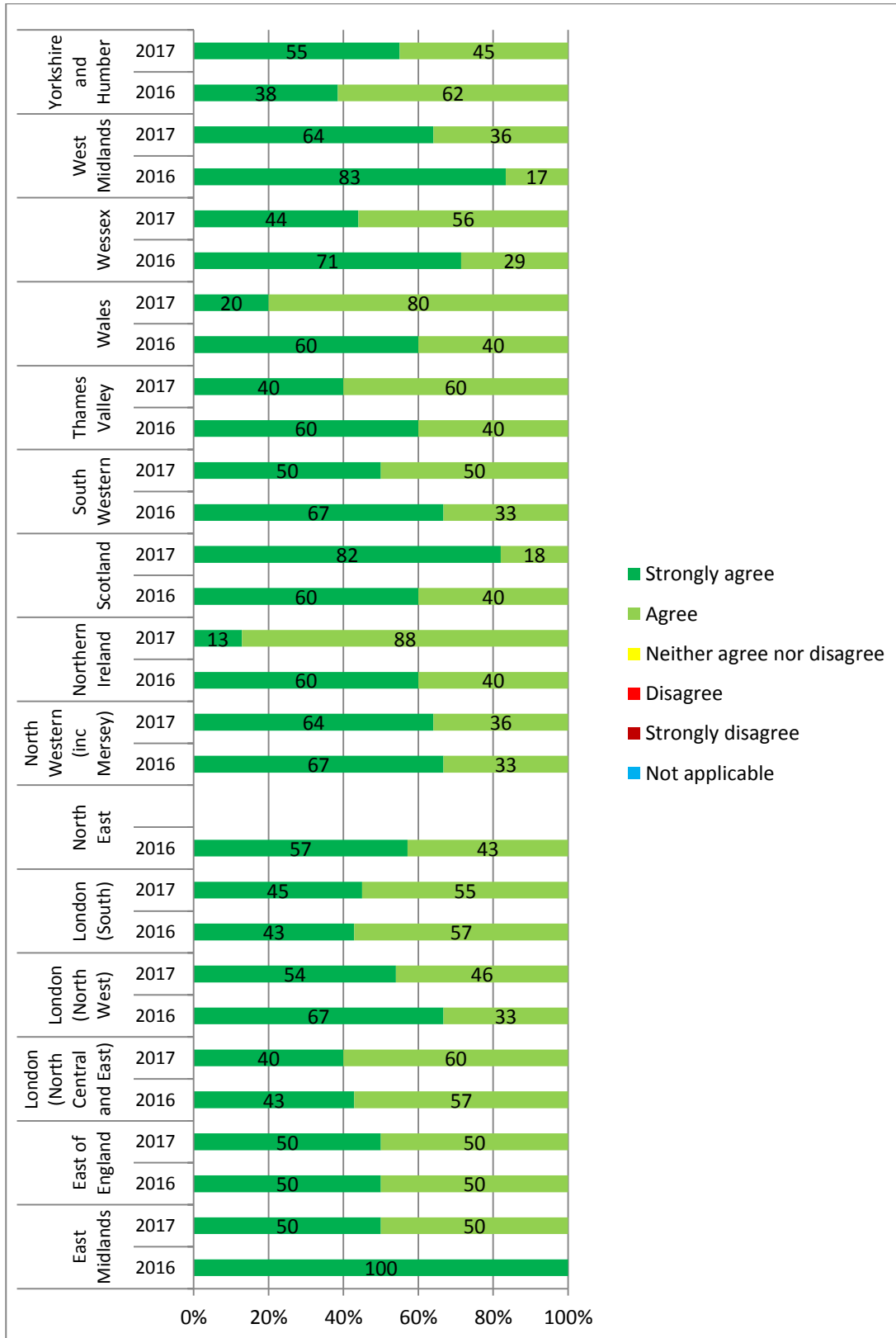
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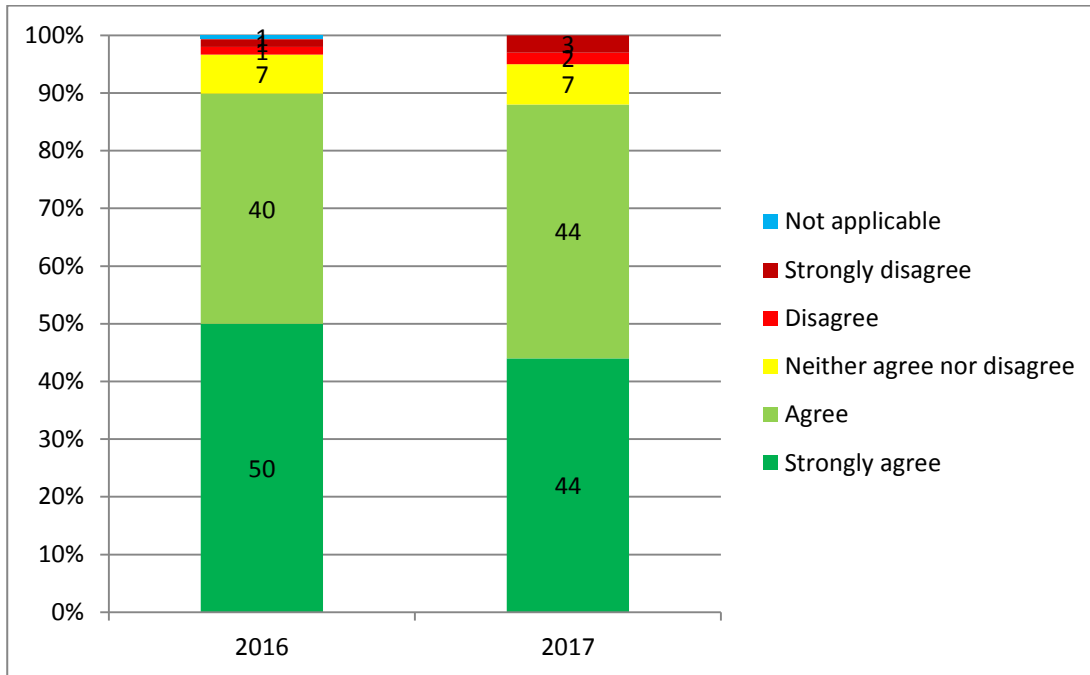


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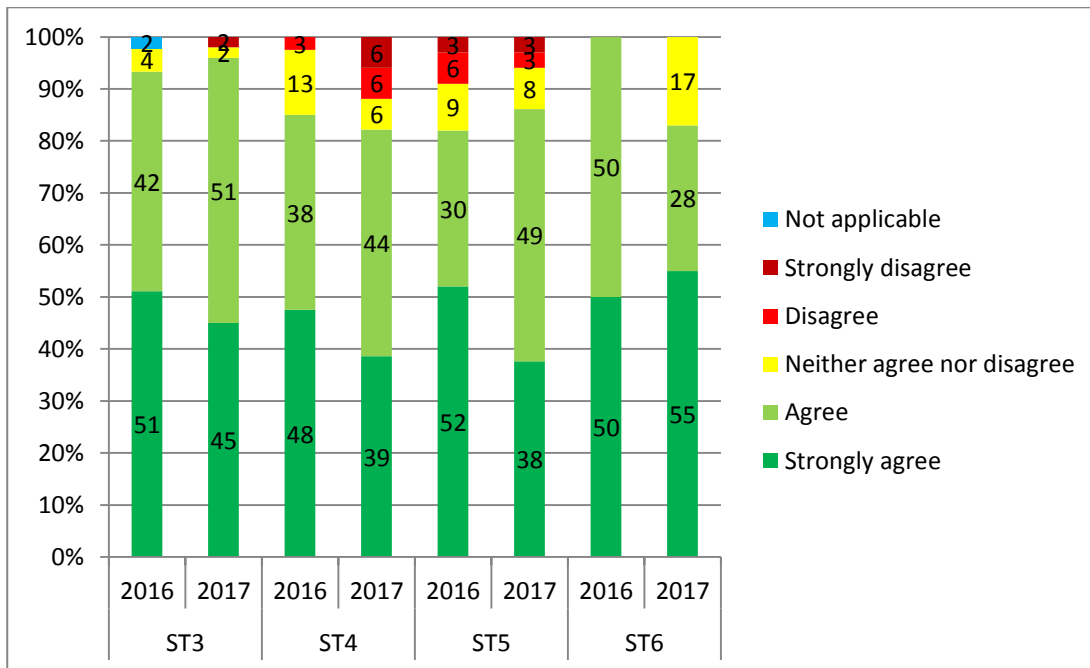


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