



# Webinar Confectionery in Travel Retail



# METHODOLOGY

Data collected through mind-set's B1S tracking survey

"Confectionery" covers the below subcategories:



Chocolate



Biscuits



Sugar  
confectionery

**mind-set**  
RESEARCH BEYOND BORDERS

As of 2023, B1S will refer to "Food" as overall category, including

- Chocolate
- Sugar Confectionery
- Biscuits
- Local food specialties
- International food brands

# MOST PURCHASED CATEGORIES IN 2021 - 2022

#1

PERFUMES



27%

#2

CONFECTIONERY



25%

#3

ALCOHOL



23%

#4

TOBACCO



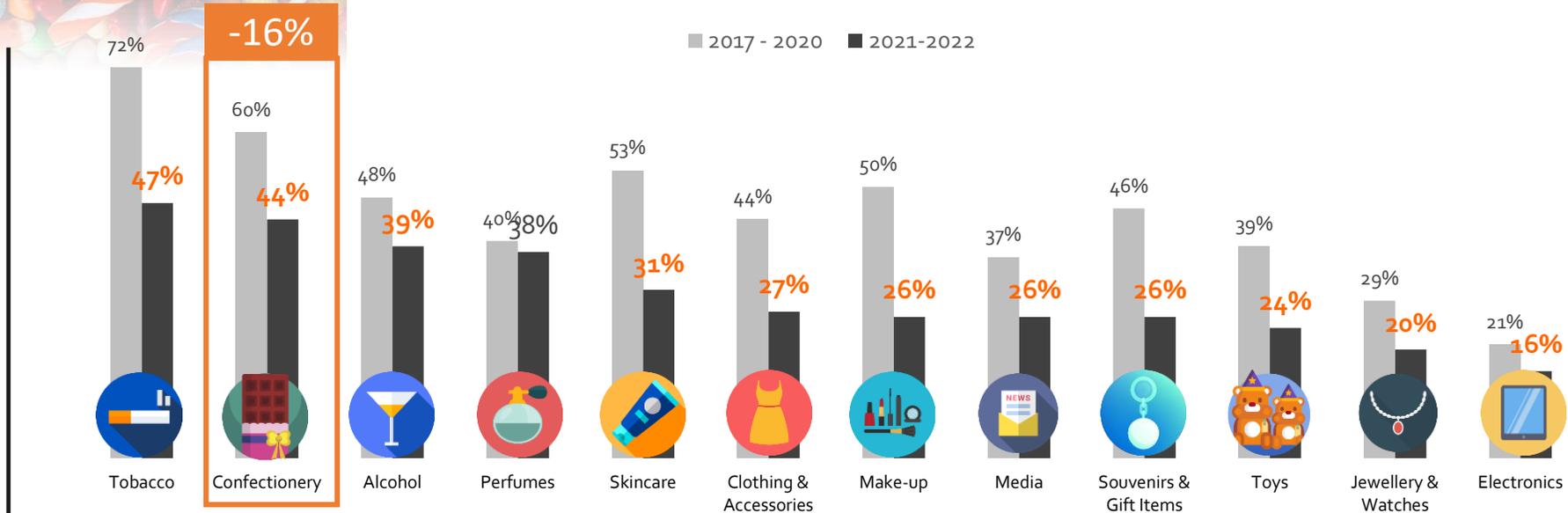
20%

# FOOTFALL TRENDS BY CATEGORY



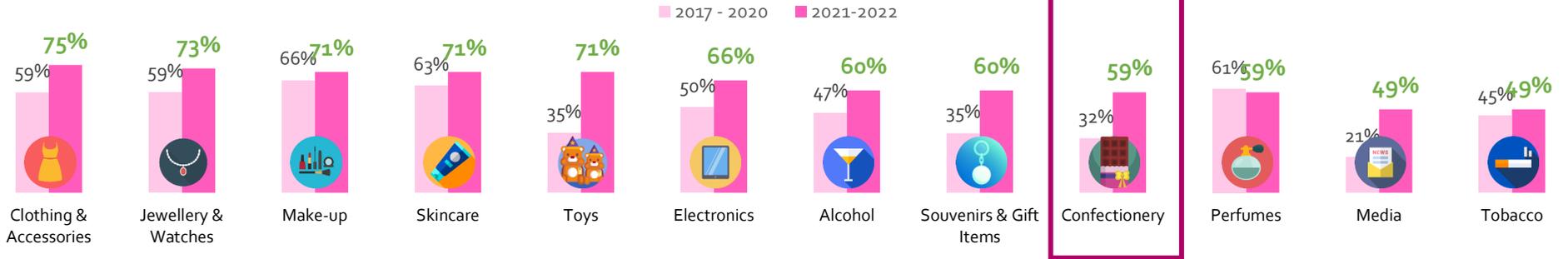
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# CONVERSION TRENDS BY CATEGORY



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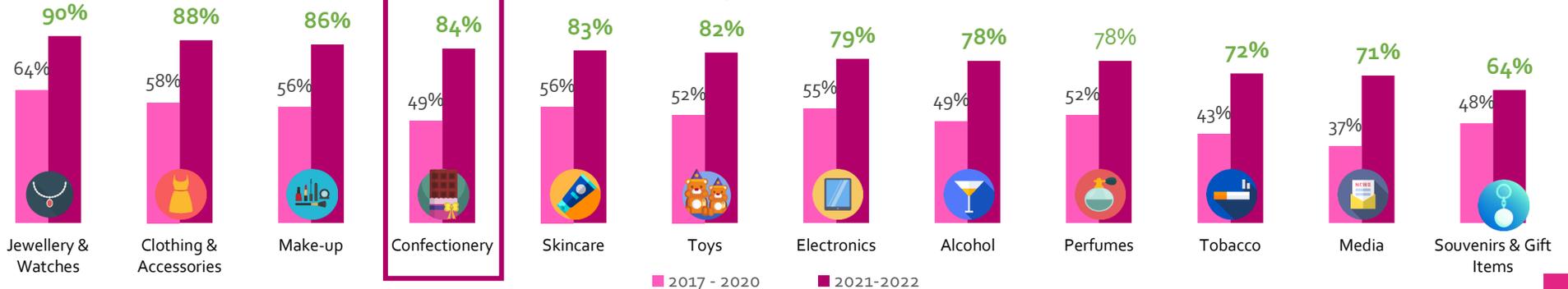
# SALES STAFF INTERACTION & INFLUENCE BY CATEGORY



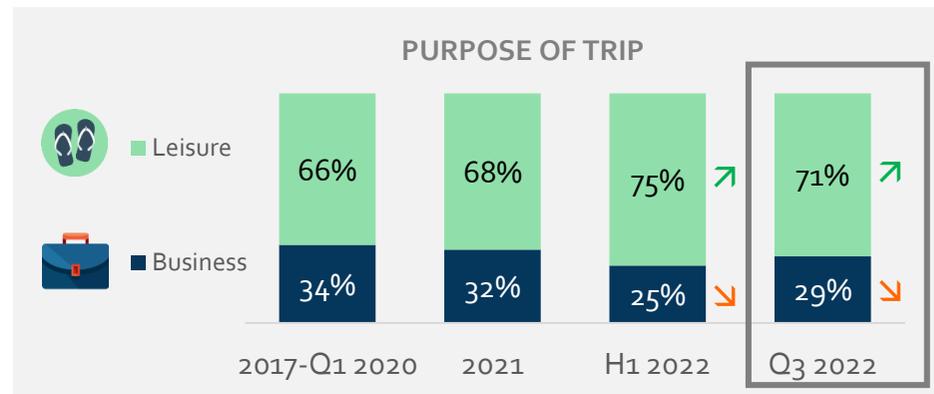
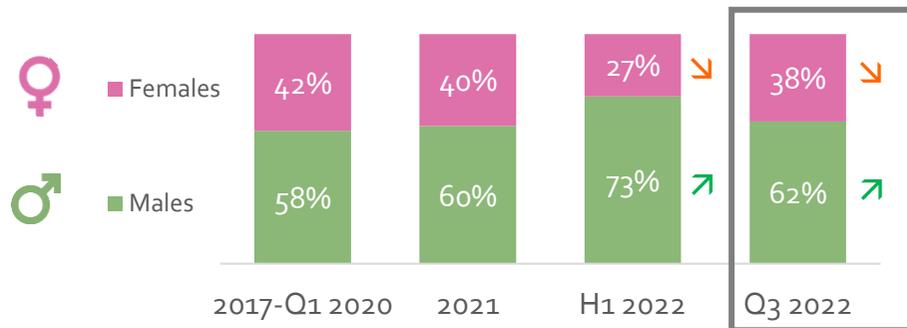
## INTERACTION WITH SALES STAFF

### INFLUENCE OF SALES STAFF

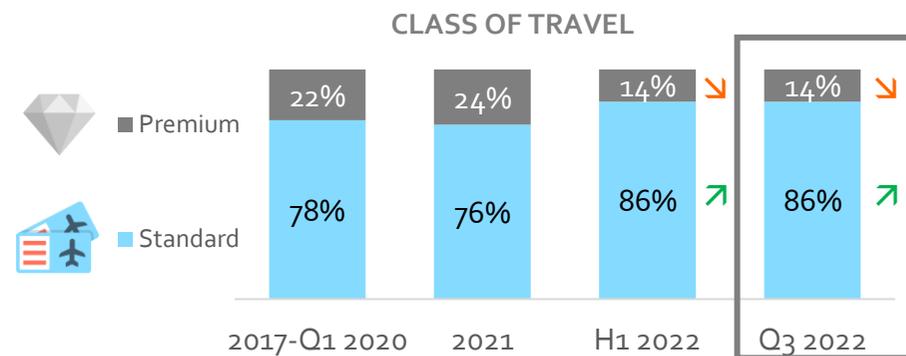
(Among those who interacted)



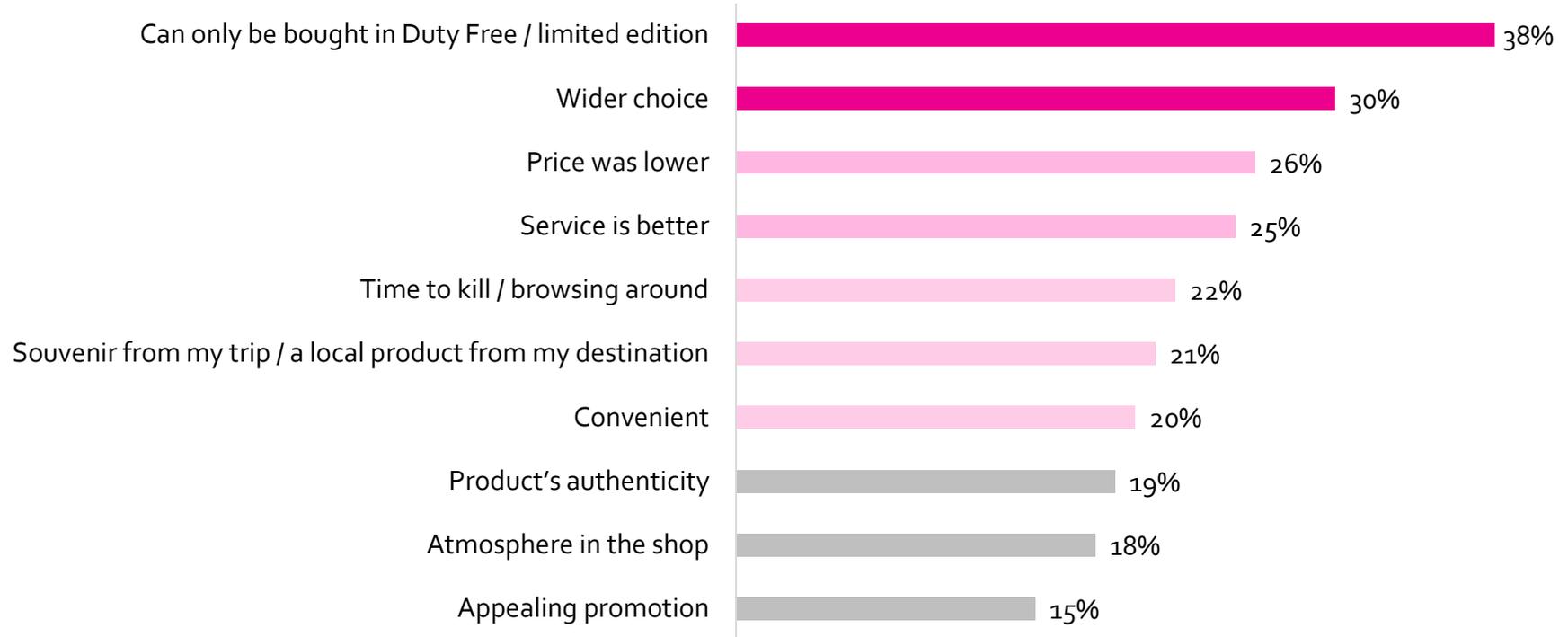
# DF CONFECTIONERY BUYERS



AGE	2017-Q1 2020	2021	H1 2022	Q3 2022
Gen Z	5%	12% ↗	11% ↗	8%
Millennials	17%	23% ↗	31% ↗	20%
Middle Aged	50%	58% ↗	54% ↗	63% ↗
Seniors	28%	7% ↘	4% ↘	9% ↘
<b>Avg age (y.o.)</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>38</b> ↘	<b>36</b> ↘	<b>39</b> ↘

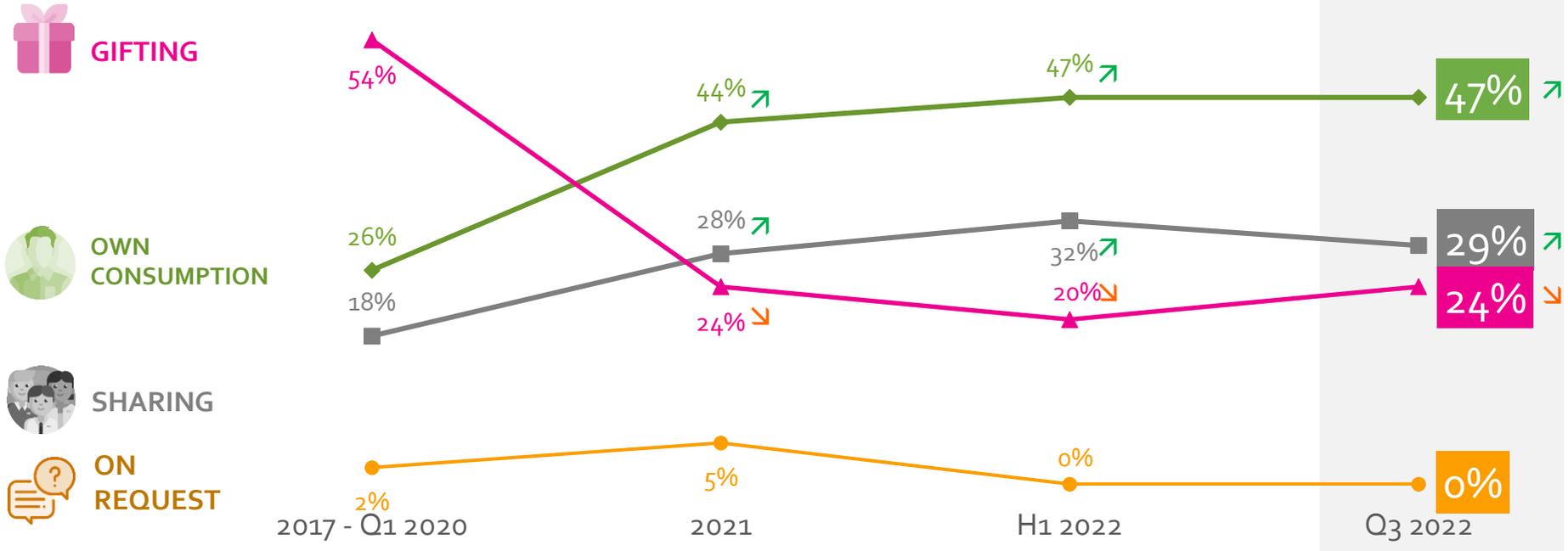


# APPEAL FACTORS TO PURCHASE CONFECTIONERY IN DUTY FREE (Q3 2022)



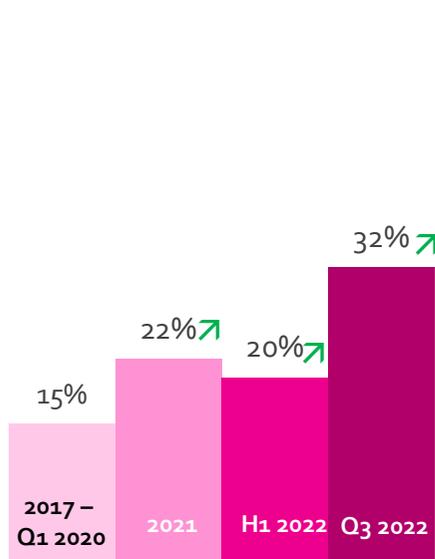
Note: this question is only asked since Q3 2021, so tracking of trends pre-covid is not possible

# PURPOSE OF CONFECTIONERY PURCHASE

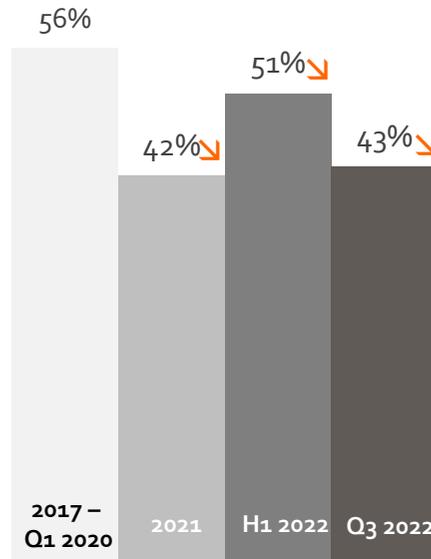


↗ ↘ Indicate significantly higher / lower vs the pre covid-19 2017-2020

# PLANNED VS IMPULSE CONFECTIONERY PURCHASES – TRENDS



Specific Planners

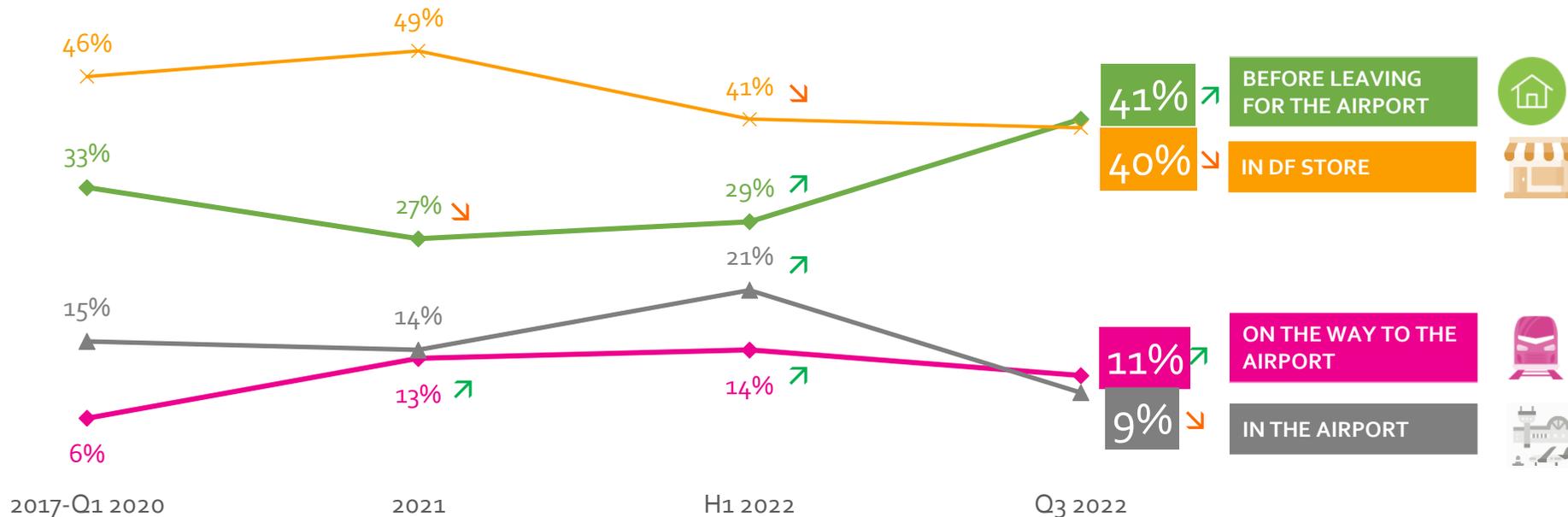


Undecided Planners



Impulse Buyers

# MOMENT WHEN DF CONFECTIONERY BUYERS START TO THINK ABOUT THEIR SPECIFIC PURCHASE – TRENDS (Q3 2022)



# MOMENTS OF EXPOSURE TO TOUCH POINTS FOR CONFECTIONERY (Q3 2022)

*Amongst those exposed to touch points*

Online



80%

vs 83% in 2017-2020

Offline in Home City



64% ↗

vs 52% in 2017-2020

In-flight



52%

vs 49% in 2017-2020

Airport outside DF store



39%

vs 37% in 2017-2020

Stores at Destination



28% ↗

vs 6% in 2017-2020

Another DF store



24%

n.a. in 2017-2020

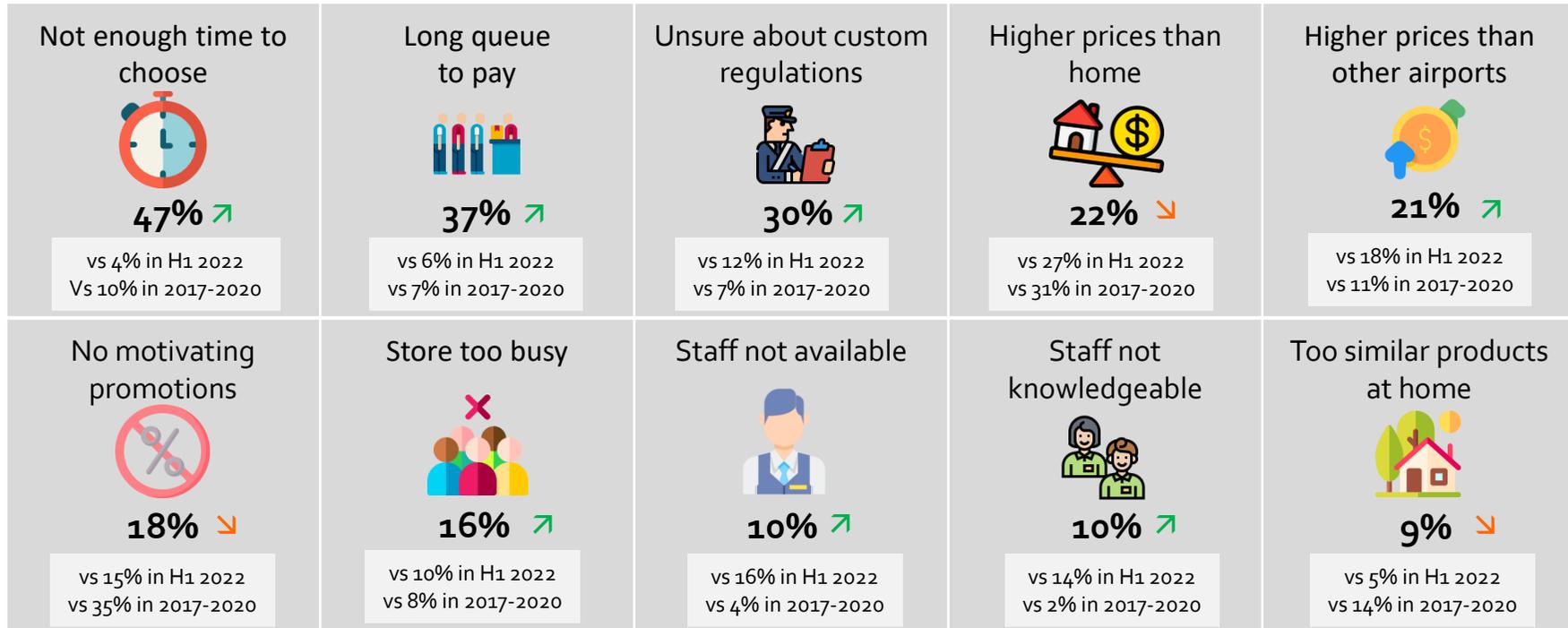
Stores in Home City



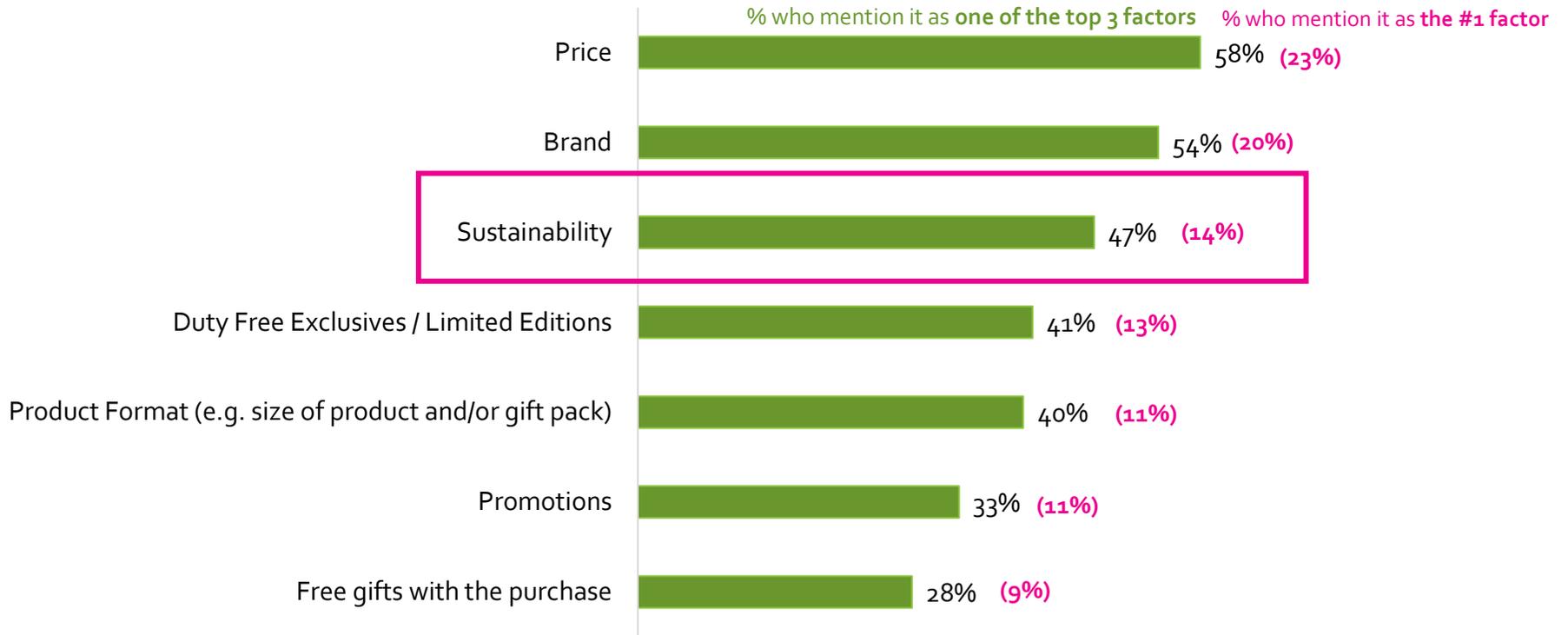
15%

n.a. in 2017-2020

# TOP 10 BARRIERS TO CONFECTIONERY PURCHASES (Q3 2022)

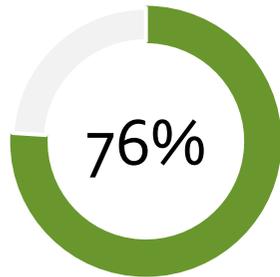


# SUSTAINABILITY HAS BECOME A KEY TR CONFECTIONERY CHOICE FACTOR (2022)

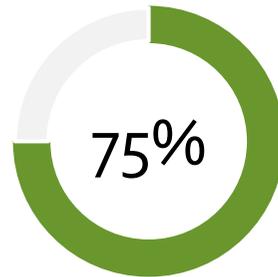


# EXPECTATIONS REGARDING SUSTAINABILITY IN CONFECTIONERY (Q3 2022)

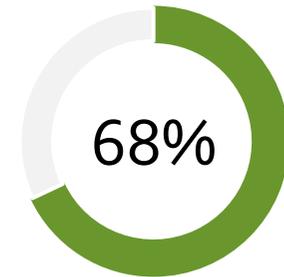
% who consider important to find in Duty Free shops...



Products with **reduced packaging or eco-friendly packaging**

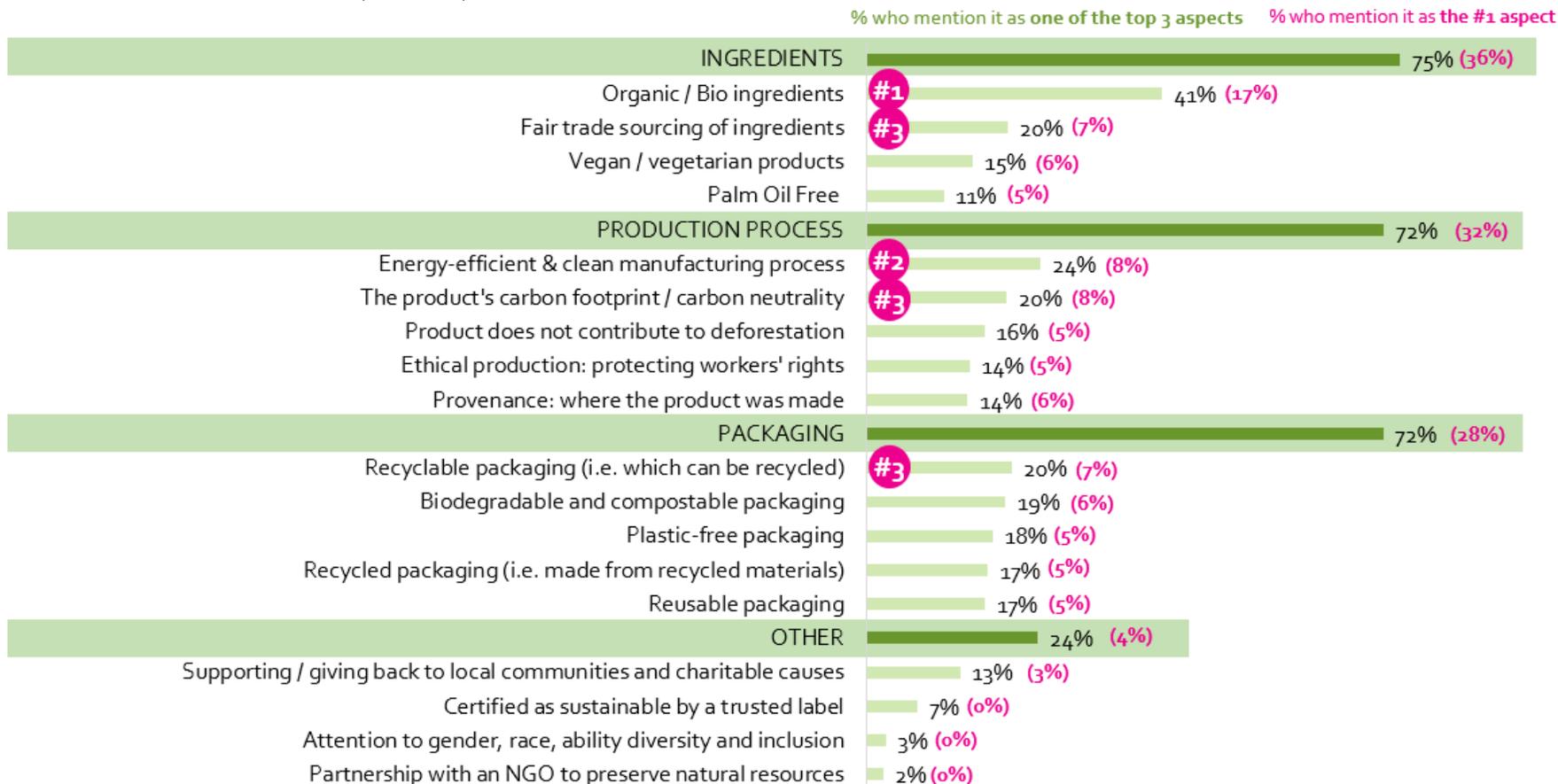


Products with **eco-friendly ingredients**



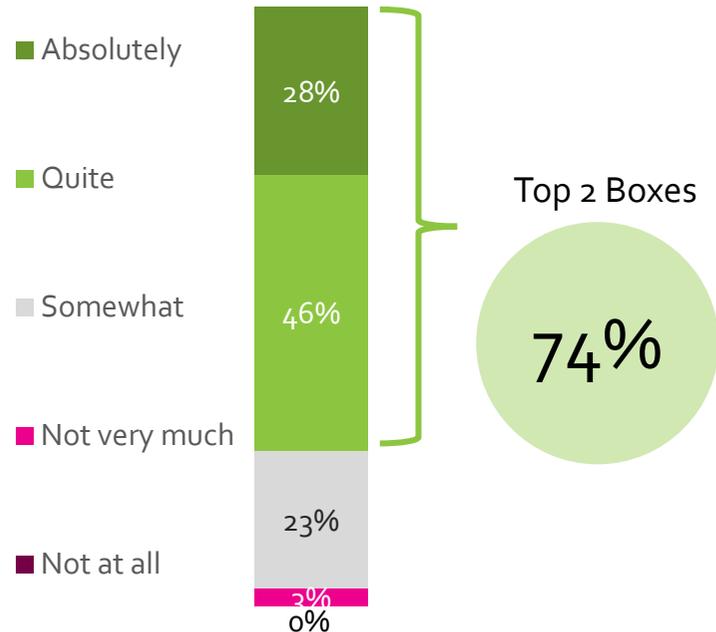
Products with **eco-friendly production processes**

# WHAT MAKES A TR CONFECTIONERY PRODUCT SUSTAINABLE ? (2022)



# PERCEPTION OF CONFECTIONERY BRANDS' SUSTAINABILITY EFFORTS AMONGST TRAVELLERS (2022)

## CONFECTIONERY BRANDS IN TR ARE TAKING MORE STEPS TOWARDS SUSTAINABILITY IN THE LAST 2 YEARS



## AREAS THAT CONFECTIONERY BRANDS NEED TO IMPROVE TO BECOME MORE SUSTAINABLE



## CREDIBILITY OF BRANDS' EFFORTS



# Key take-outs



**Covid-19** has **affected performance of Confectionery** in Travel Retail, mainly due to the fact that overall **impulsive purchases had decreased** during the Covid time, as shoppers were less willing to browse the stores, discover new things.



Despite that, key indicators such as **confectionery purchase rate** and amount spend have **remained stable** over the years. Yet, **footfall increased slightly** in 2022, while **conversion decreased** in 2022.



In the **post-Covid**, Confectionery shoppers tend indeed to assume a more extreme behavior and either plan **their purchase very specifically** (knowing either the brand or the exact product) or **buy purely on impulse**, thus creating more positive trends within the category.

# Key take-outs



Confectionery shoppers have now **less concerns around covid-19 infections** and feel more incline to **browse the stores** and particularly enjoy the **wide assortment**. These are the main DF appeal factors for Confectionery buyers.



Another trend brought to life by covid-19, which applies to Confectionery particularly, is the desire for **self-indulgence**. Indeed, **self-consumption and sharing** have been steadily **increasing** at the expense of gifting and purchases made on request.



Compelling in-store elements have gained importance again post-covid in driving Confectionery purchases, as most buyers **start thinking about their specific confectionery purchase** either on the way **to the airport**, or once they are **inside the DF store**.



Another very important in-store “element” it the **sales staff** who is nowadays important as ever in **driving and guiding in-store purchases**.



Thank you!

