

EUROSTUDENT VI
comparative results
Students'
housing situation

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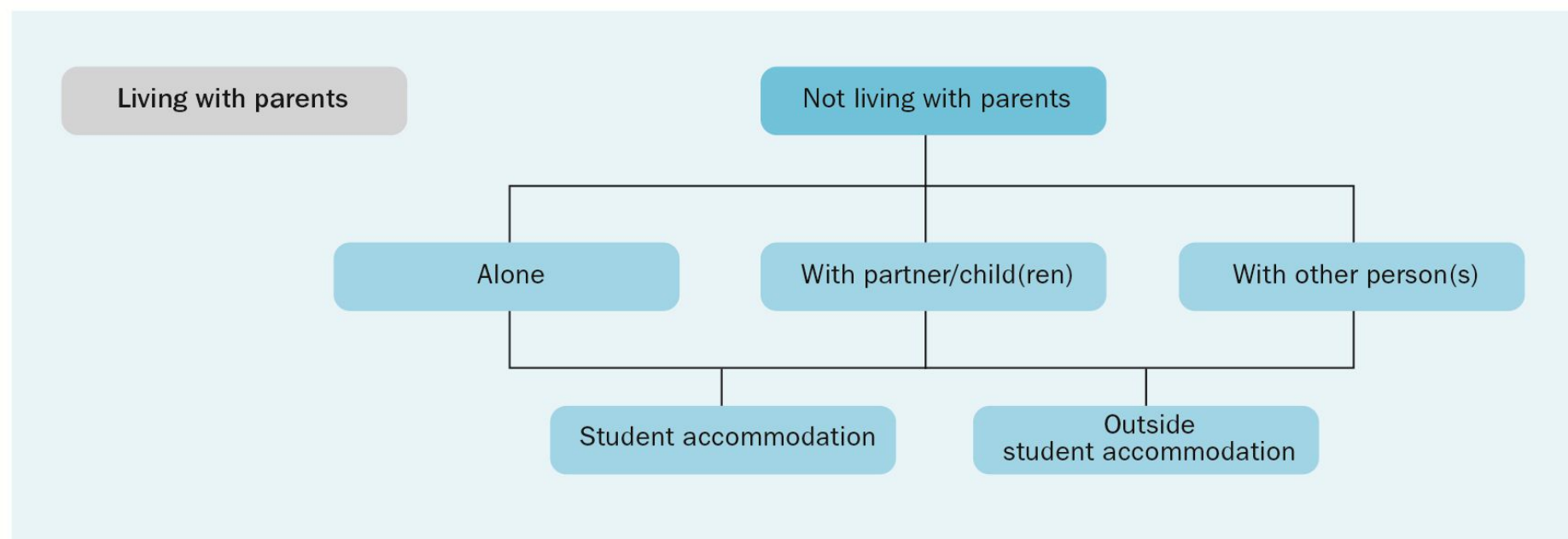
- What is the housing situation of students in the EUROSTUDENT countries?
- How is the housing form related to students' parents' financial status?
- To what extent is student accommodation used in the different countries?
- How satisfied are students with different aspects of their housing situation?

Methodological note

Types of student housing as classified by EUROSTUDENT conventions

Figure B9.1 [↓](#)

Types of student housing



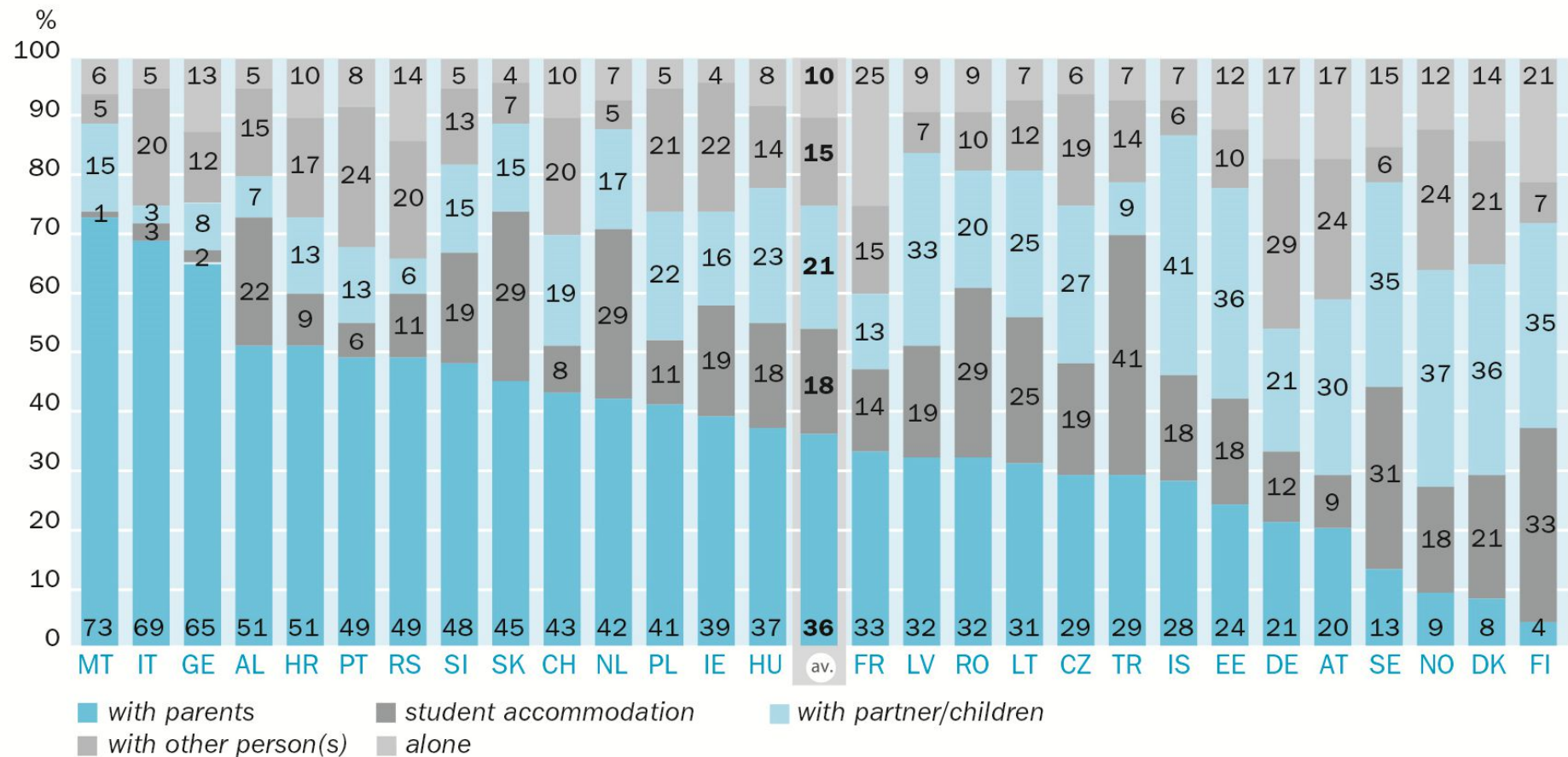
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Students' housing situation

Share of students (in %)



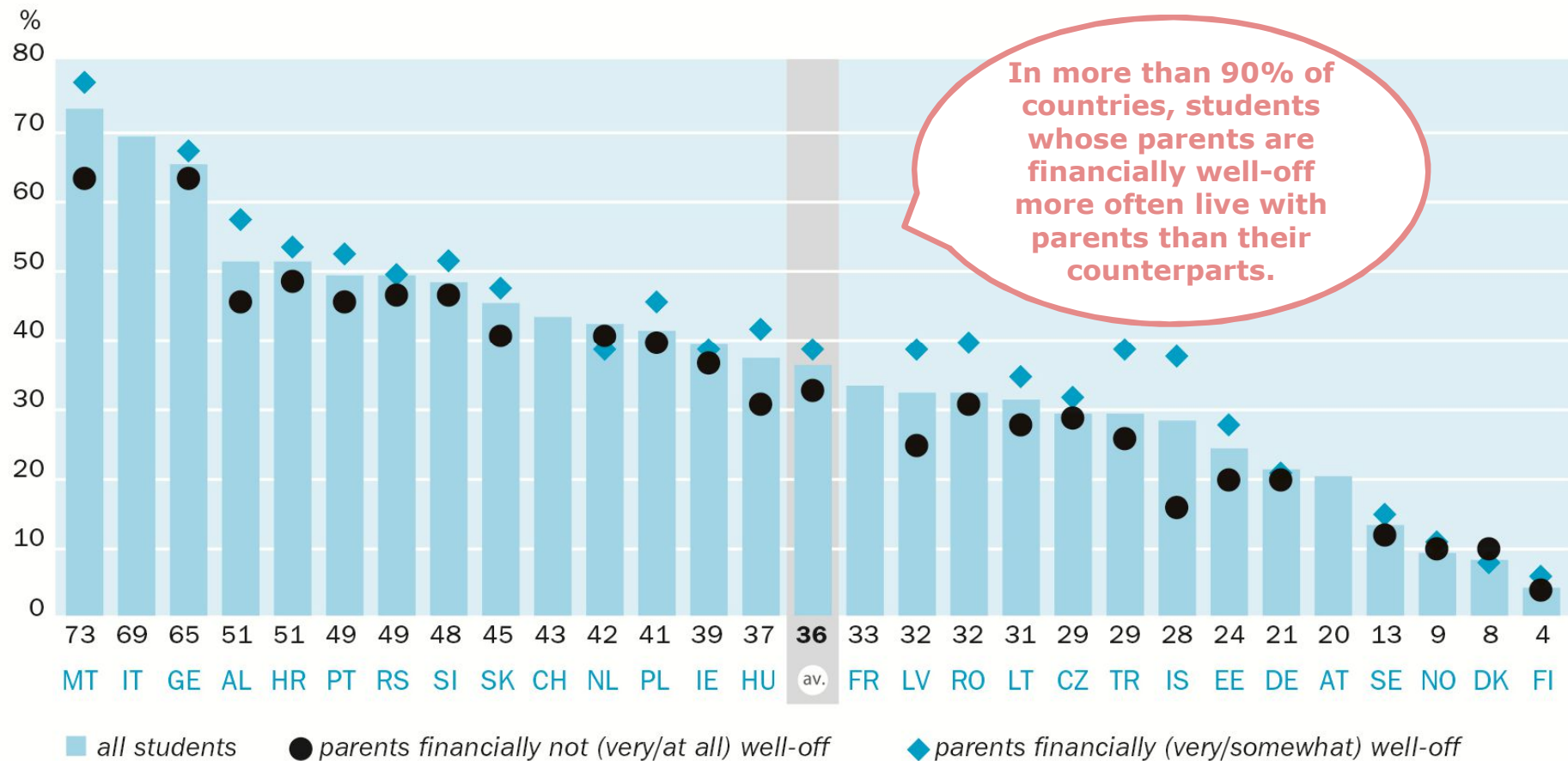
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Students living with parents by parents' financial status

Share of students (in %)

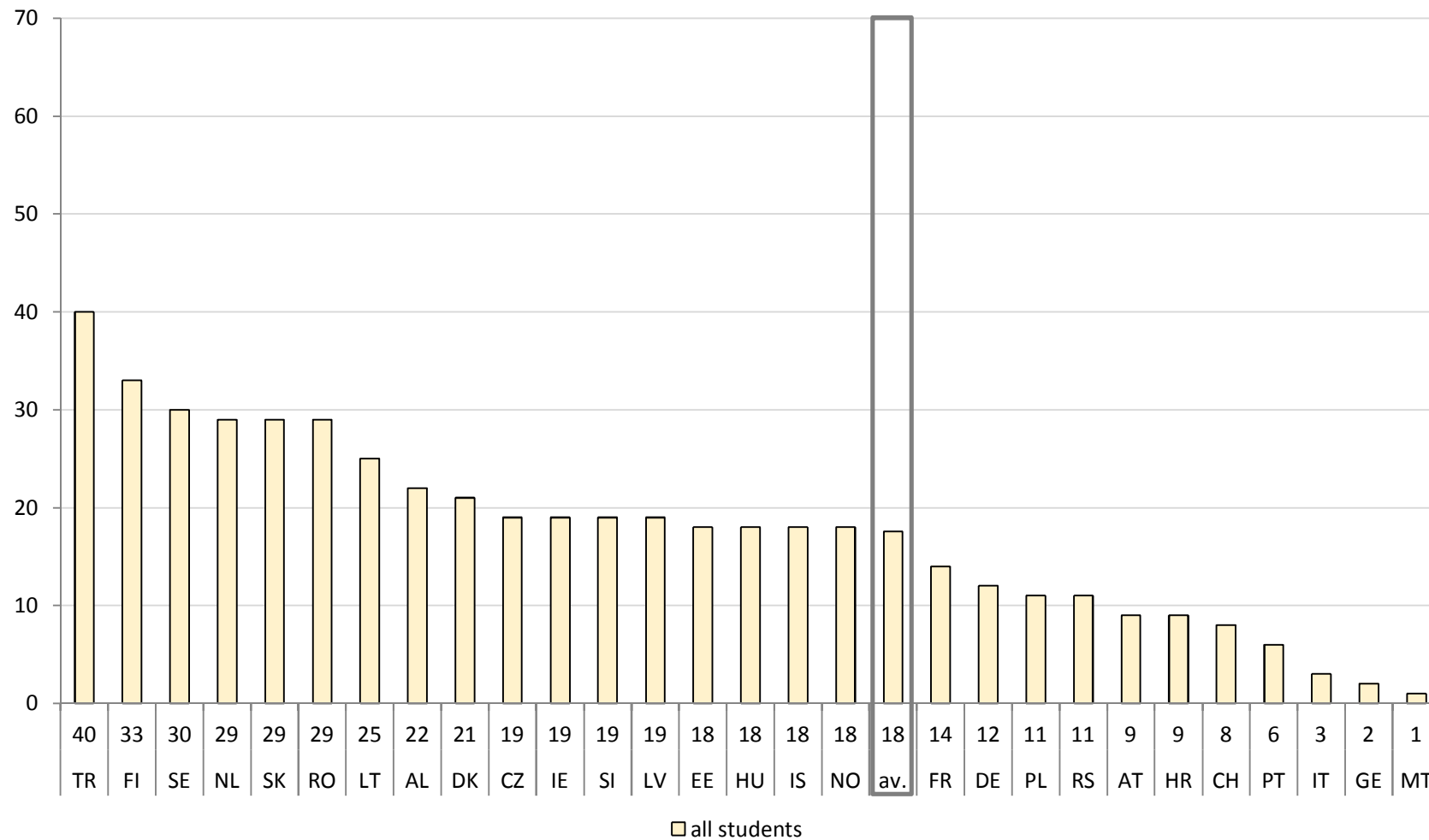


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Students living in student accommodation

Share of students (in %)

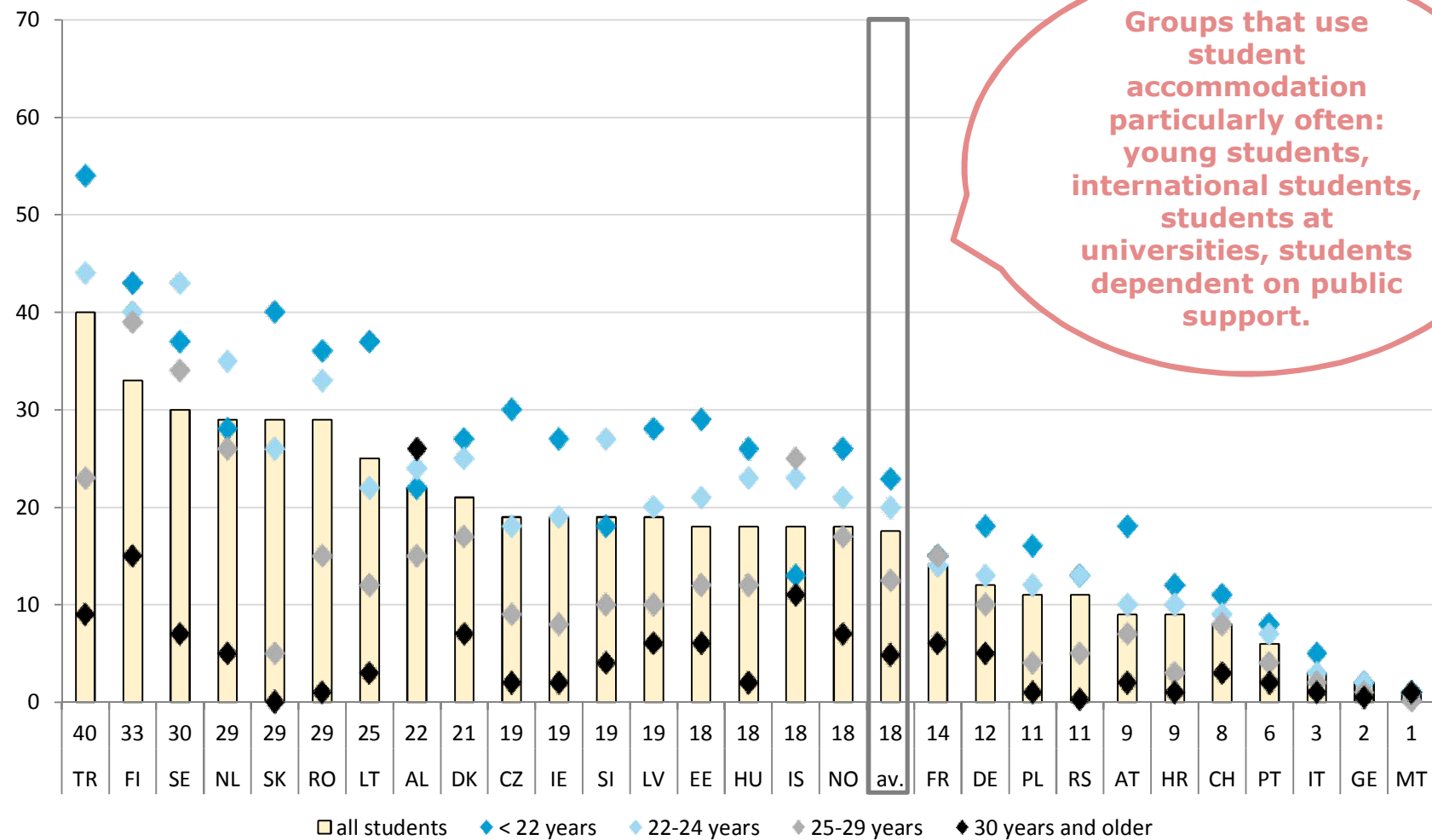


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Results

Students living in student accommodation by age groups

Share of students (in %)



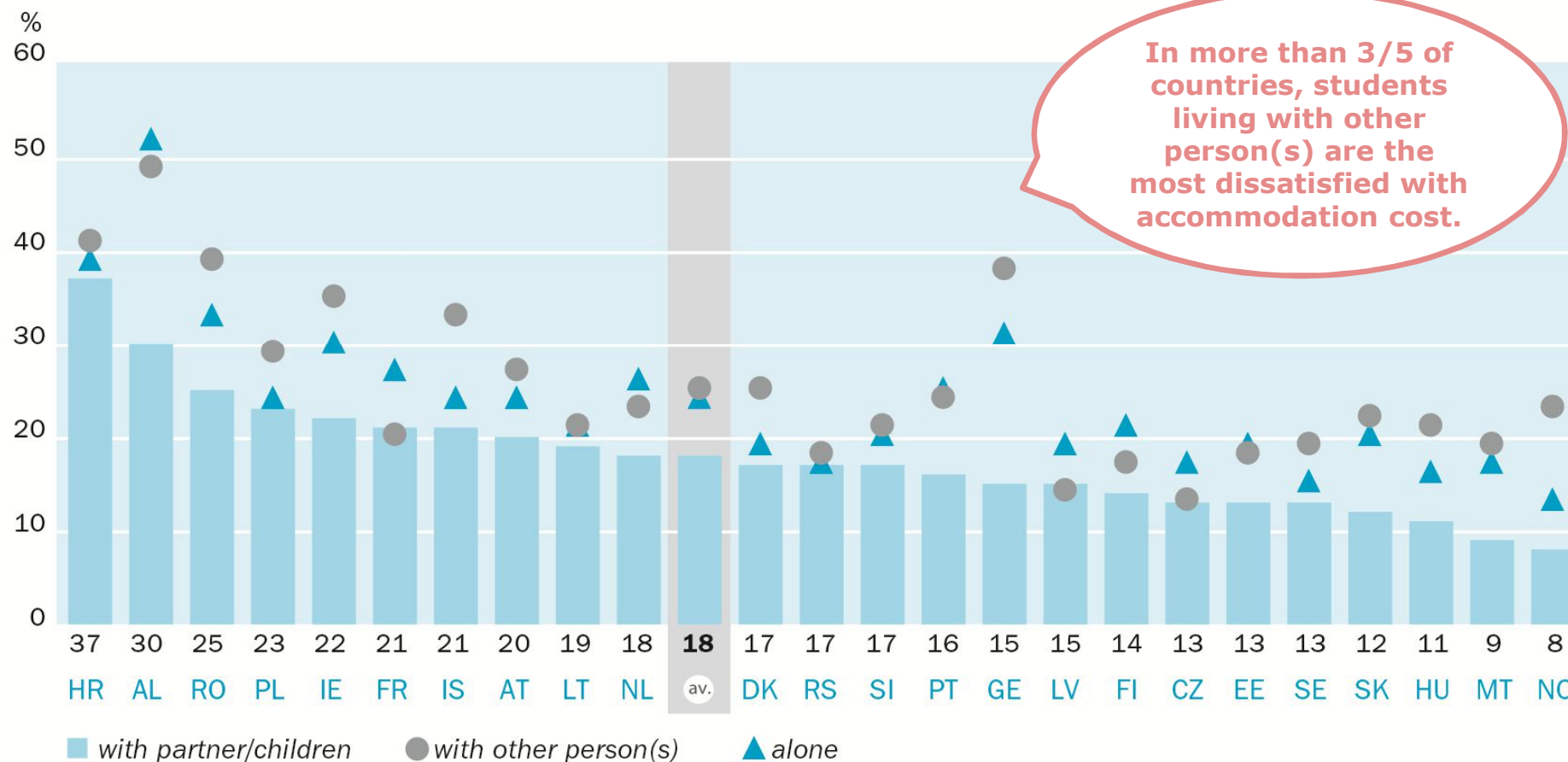
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Students' satisfaction with the cost of accommodation by form of housing outside the parental home

Share of students who are not satisfied (at all) (in %)

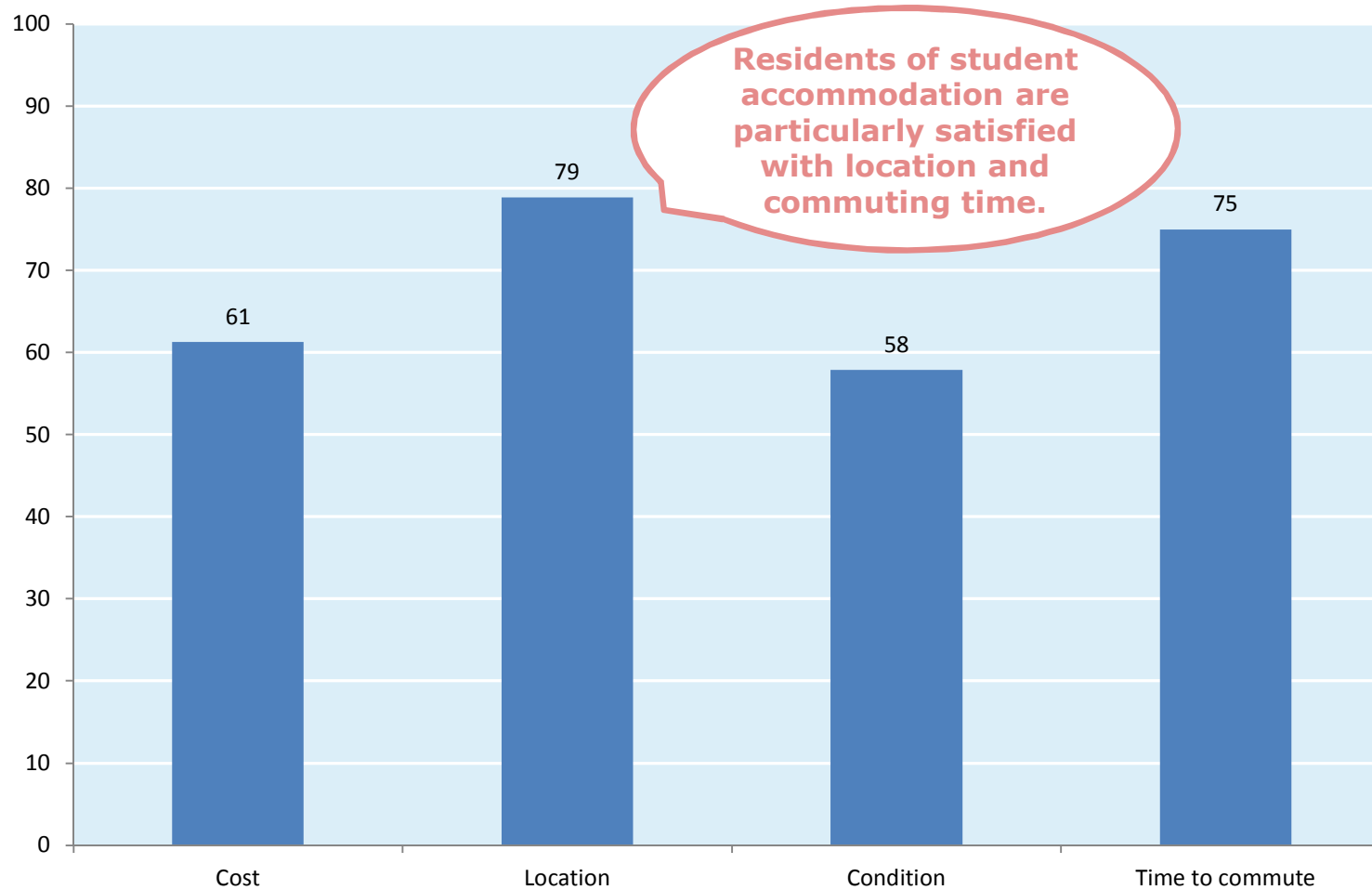


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Results

Satisfaction with different aspects of student accommodation

Students living in student accommodation who are (very) satisfied. Share of students on cross-country average (in %)



Data source: EUROSTUDENT VI, E.2. **No data:** CH, DE, TR; cost: IT; location: IT; condition: CZ; time to commute: AT, IT. **Too few cases:** MT.

Conclusions and questions

- **Living with parents** seems to be an important prerequisite for taking part in HE for large parts of the student populations (as it is e.g. very cost-saving). It is the most common form of housing in around 2/3 of countries. In Malta, Italy, Georgia, Albania, and Croatia, more than half of all students live this way.
- However, in more than 90% of countries, students with **financially not well-off parents** tend more often to live away from parents than their peers whose parents are well-off.
- **Further disadvantage for students from low social backgrounds?**
- Student accommodation is a specific form of housing especially designed for students in HE. On cross-country average, almost 1/5 of students lives in student accommodation; in Turkey, Finland, and Sweden, it is around 1/3 or more.

Conclusions and questions

- **Young students** use student accommodation to an above-average extent and so do **international** students, students at **universities**, and students **dependent on national public student support**.
- Should providers of student accommodation try to reach other groups as well such as older students who are living with partner/children?
- Across EUROSTUDENT countries, 15% of students live **with other person(s)**. This student group turns out to be most dissatisfied with accommodation cost (compared to other student groups living outside the parental home).
- Why is that? Does the cost-sharing not work as expected (especially when compared to students living with partner/children)? Or is student income insufficient for this group?

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