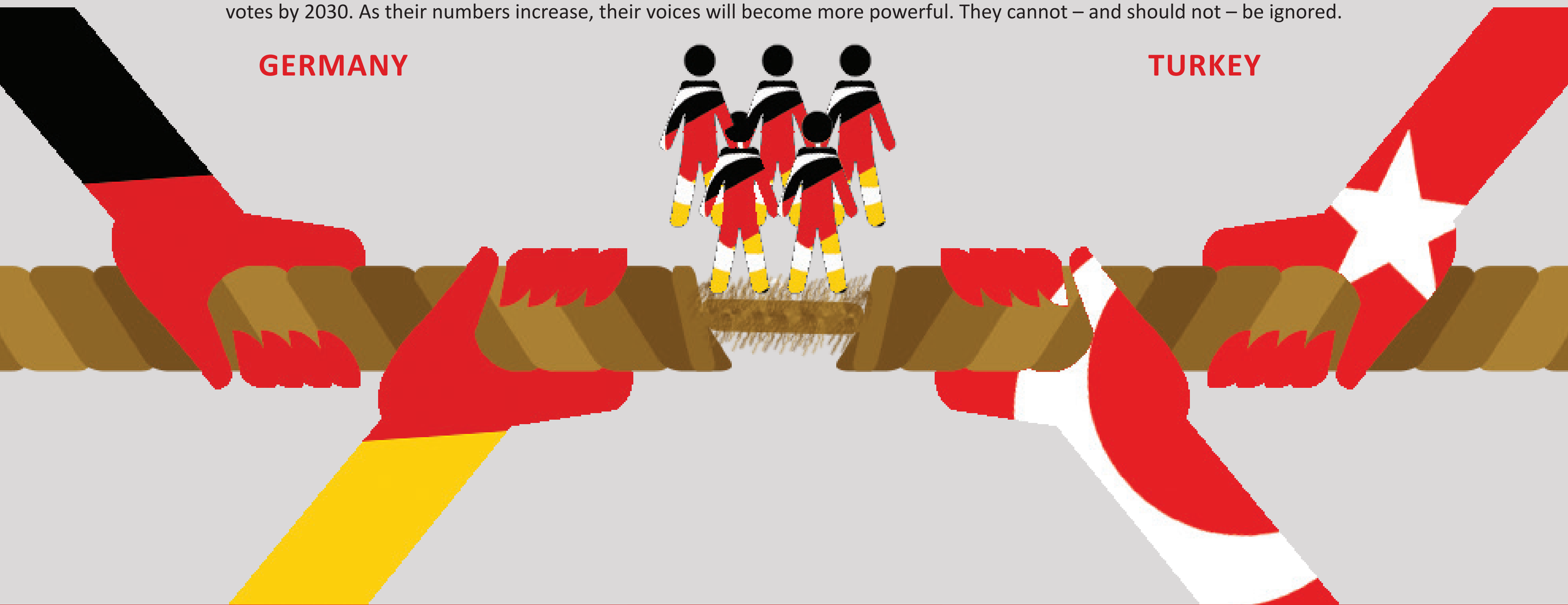
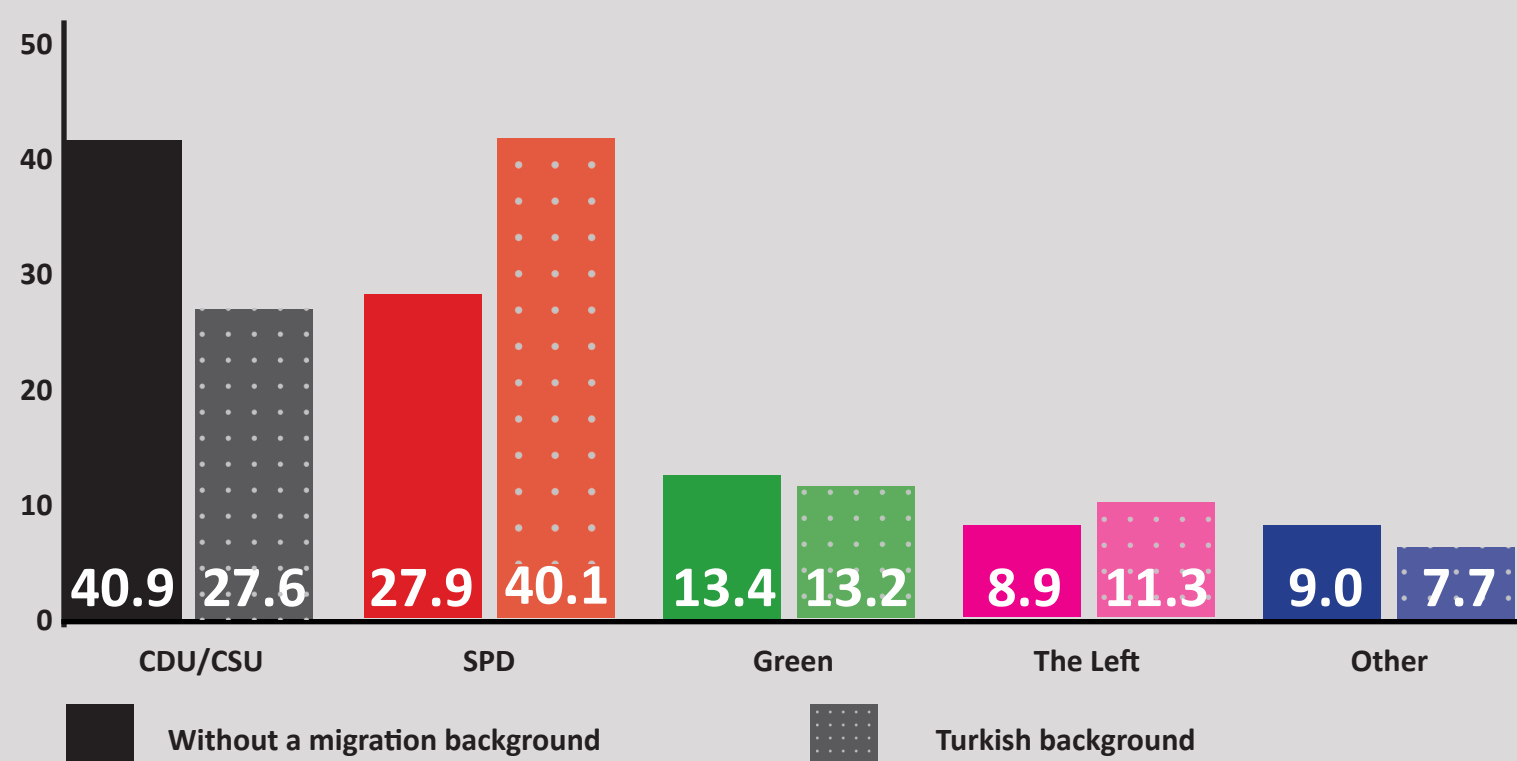


THE TURKISH-GERMAN TUG-OF-WAR

In the lead-up to Germany's federal elections on September 24, the nation's 2.9 million Turkish-born residents have found themselves in the middle of a tug-of-war between Berlin and Ankara. Germany's established political parties will more easily win Turkish-German support if they retool their platforms to focus more on integration, education and social mobility. Although they may not cast the decisive votes in the 2017 election, Turkish-Germans will account for a projected 2 million votes by 2030. As their numbers increase, their voices will become more powerful. They cannot – and should not – be ignored.



PARTY PREFERENCES OF GERMAN VOTERS¹

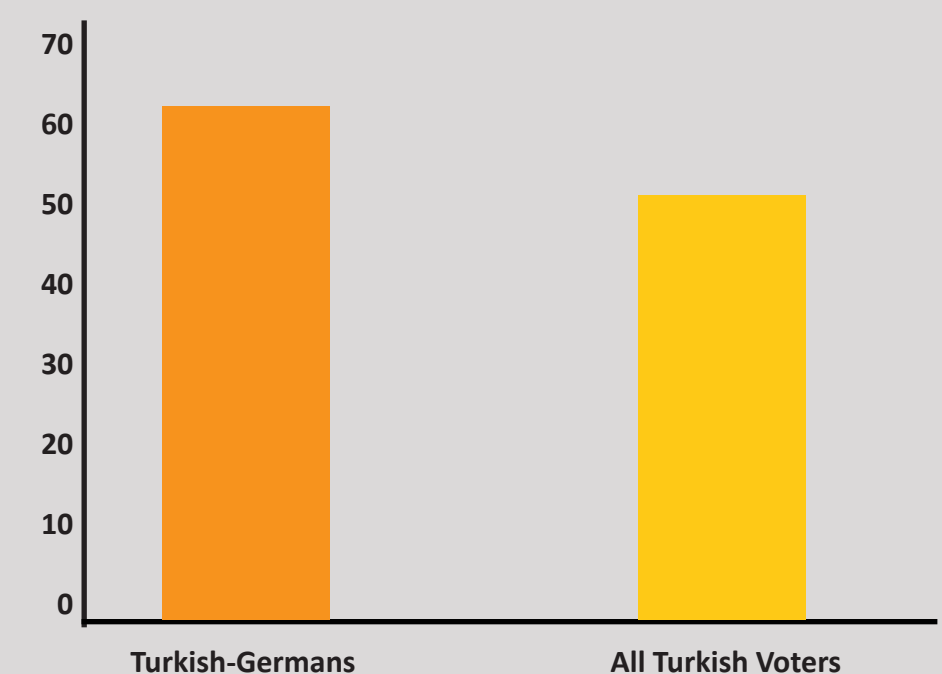


2.9 million
Turkish-born in Germany²

1 million +
Turkish-Germans can vote in Germany³

1.43 million
Turkish-Germans can vote in Turkey⁴

VOTED TO EXPAND ERDOGAN'S PRESIDENTIAL POWERS (%)⁵



¹ <http://www.dw.com/de/immer-mehr-einfluss-migranten-im-wahlkampf/a-39775827>

² <http://www.zeit.de/politik/ausland/2017-04/deuschtuerken-tuerkei-referendum-volksabstimmung-recep-tayyip-erdogan>

³ <https://www.bayernkurier.de/inland/14819-in-deutschland-links-zuhause-religioes-konservativ/>

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⁵ https://www.welt.de/newsticker/dpa_nt/afxline/topthemen/hintergruende/article163799477/Wie-Tuerken-in-Deutschland-waehlen.html