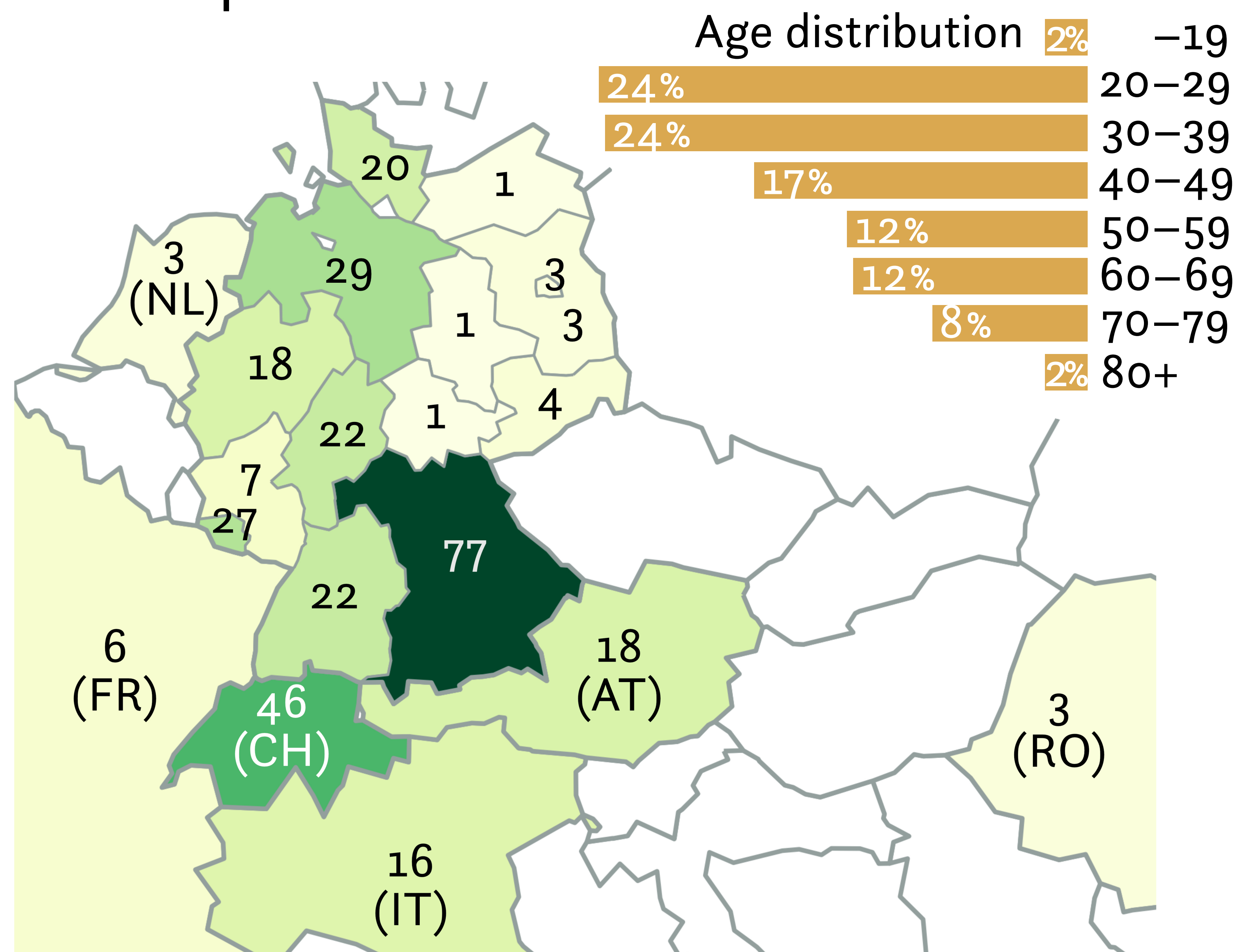


# What language technologies do speakers of German dialects want?

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We surveyed 327 speakers of German dialects & regional languages about their attitudes towards dialectal language technologies

## Our respondents



Geographic spread of respondents in states of Germany & in other European countries

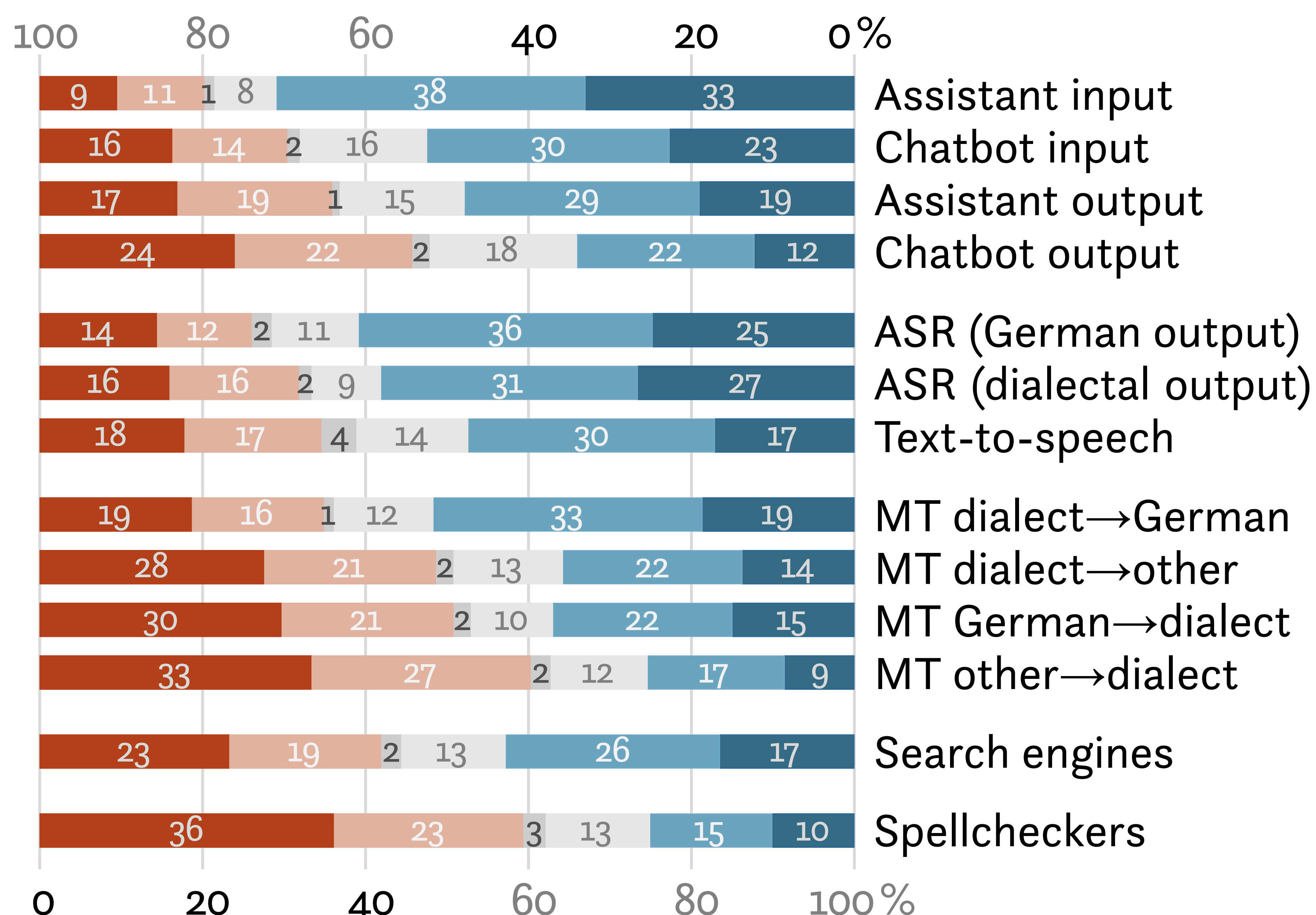
Respondents tended to prefer....

- Processing dialectal **input** over generating dialectal output
  - **Speech**-based over text-based technologies
- Opinions on text-based technologies correlate with attitudes towards dialect orthographies

Sociolinguistic differences matter

- Different attitudes of Low Saxon vs. Swiss German speakers
- Enthusiasm of language activists

## Their opinions



- Useful
- Rather useful
- Neither/nor
- Rather useless
- Useless
- Cannot judge

Detailed results,  
correlations  
& the full questionnaire

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