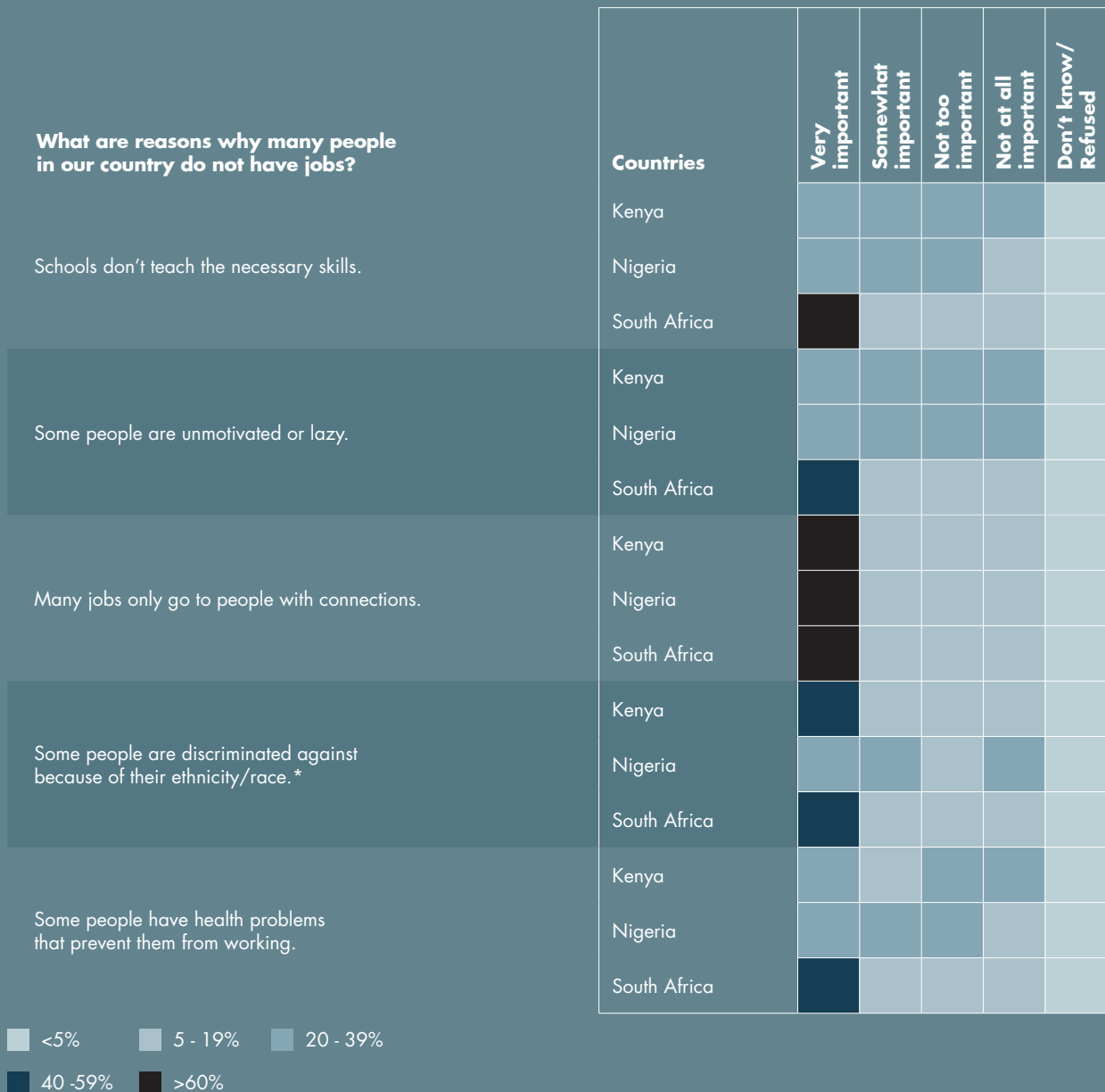


FIGURE 2.2.

PERCEPTIONS OF UNEMPLOYMENT IN SELECT AFRICAN COUNTRIES

Though Nigeria, Kenya, and South Africa are among the biggest economies in sub-Saharan Africa, they also struggle with high unemployment, a challenge that may continue to grow as more and more of the youth begin to enter the workforce. Indeed, according to a Pew survey (2016), over 80 percent of respondents in these countries view the lack of employment opportunities “a very big problem.” Interestingly, the perception of on-the-ground challenges to getting a job differs somewhat among the countries.



*Note: In Kenya and Nigeria, the question asked about “ethnicity.” In South Africa, the question asked about “race.”
 Source: Data from Pew Research Center, November, 2016, “In Key African Nations, Widespread Discontent With Economy, Corruption.” Available at: <http://assets.pewresearch.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2016/11/15092830/Pew-Research-Center-Development-in-Africa-Report-FINAL-November-15-2016.pdf>.