



# **Survey of Iraqi Public Opinion**

**International Republican Institute  
June 14 – June 24, 2006**



# Methodology in Brief

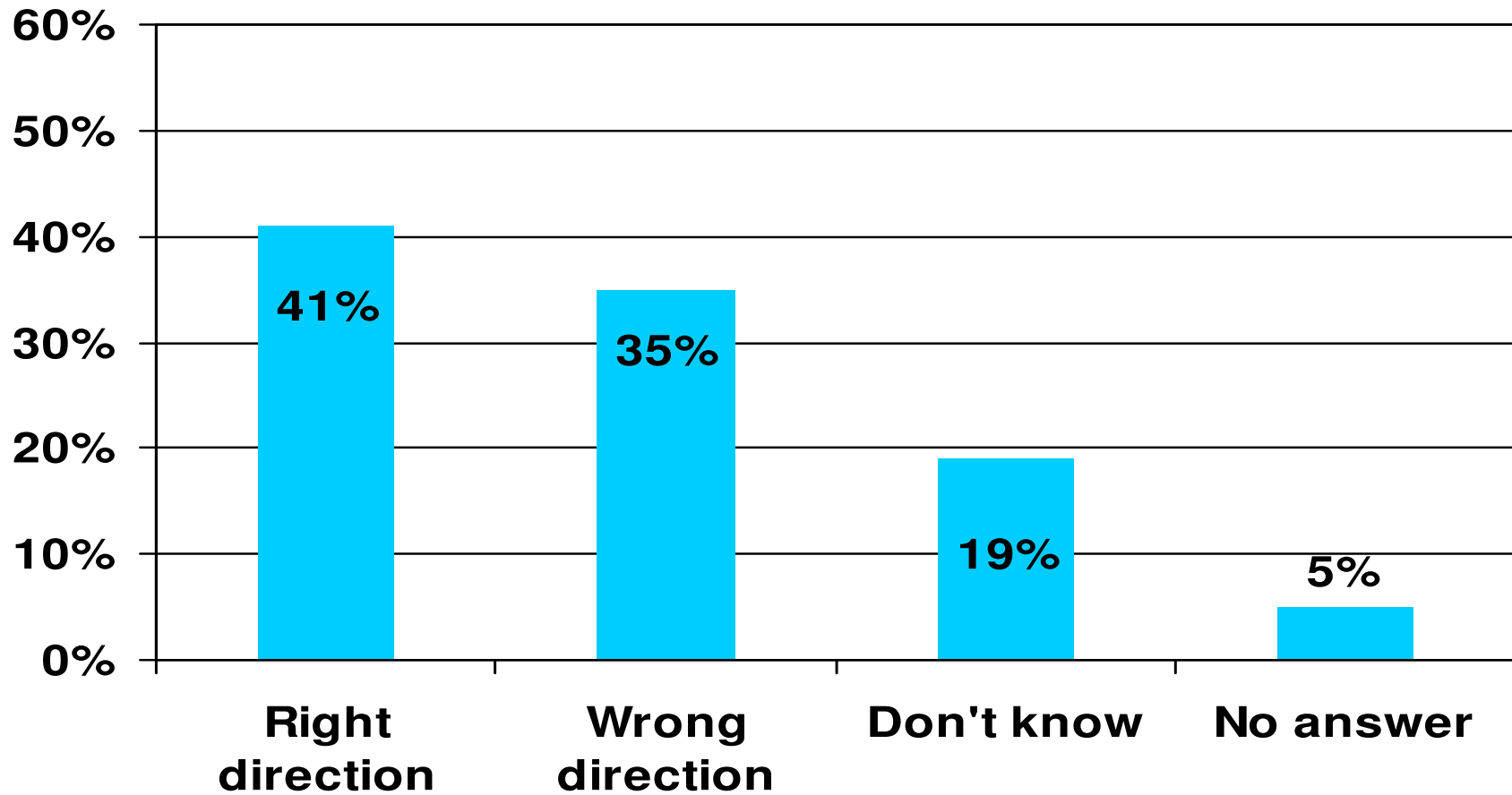
- Face-to-face interviews conducted between June 14 – June 24, 2006
- All field work conducted by an Iraqi polling firm and employed more than 150 trained interviewers around the country
- Interviews conducted in all 18 governorates
- A total sample of 2,849 valid interviews were obtained from a total sample of 3,120 rendering a response rate of 91 percent
- The overall margin of error for this survey is +/- three percent
- Please contact IRI if more detailed methodological information is required



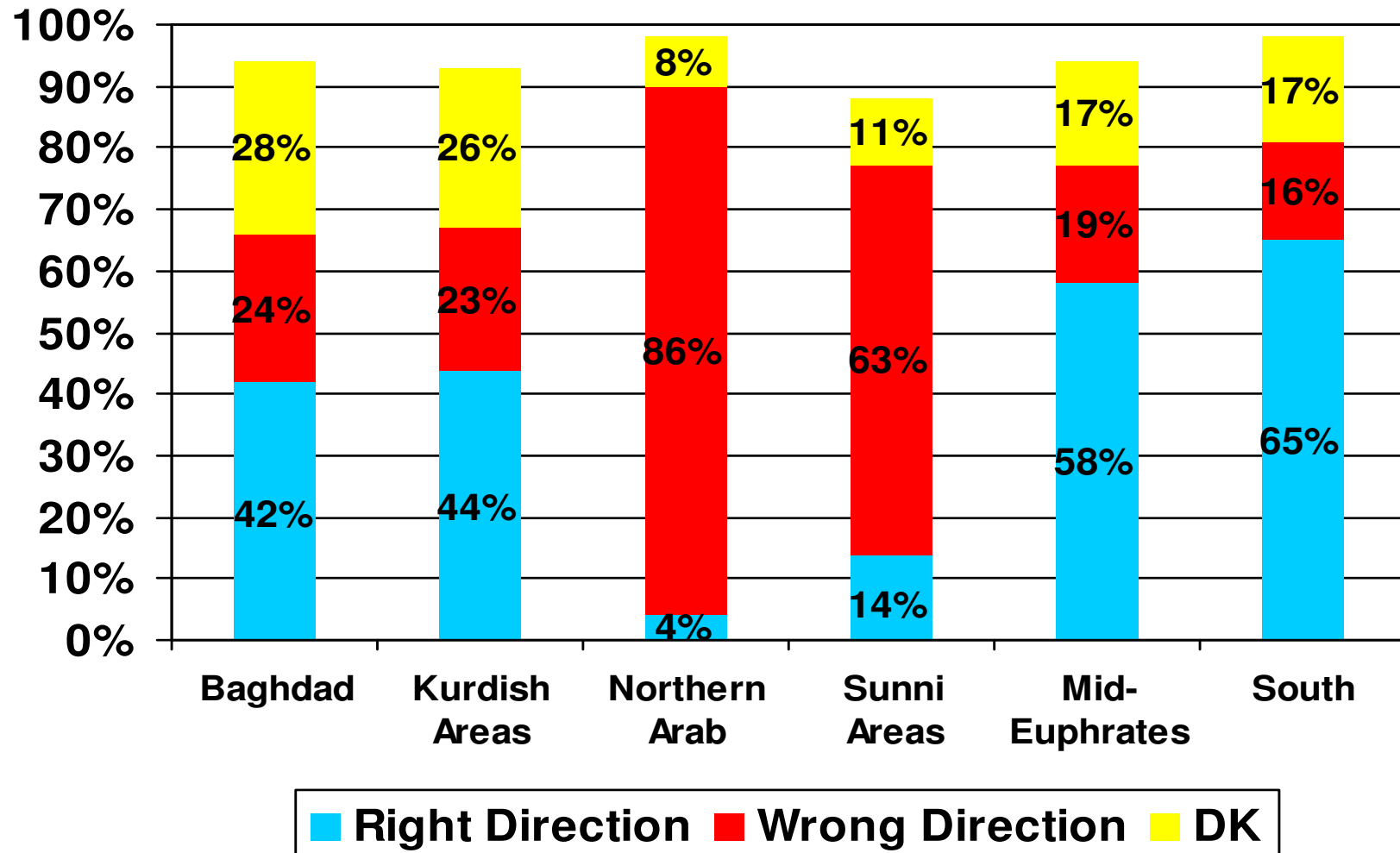
# Demographics in Brief

- Representative of 18 of Iraq's 18 provinces—percentage of sample range from four percent in Erbil to 23 percent in Baghdad
- Ethnic distribution: Arabic (82%), Kurdish (14%), Turkmen (2%), Chaldo-Assyrian (less than 1%), other (less than 1%)
- Urban sample accounts for 63 percent of respondents and rural respondents comprise remaining 37 percent
- Male to female ratio is 50 to 50, respectively
- Age distribution: 18-24 (22%), 25-34 (31%), 35-44 (21%), 45-54 (14%), 55+ (12%)

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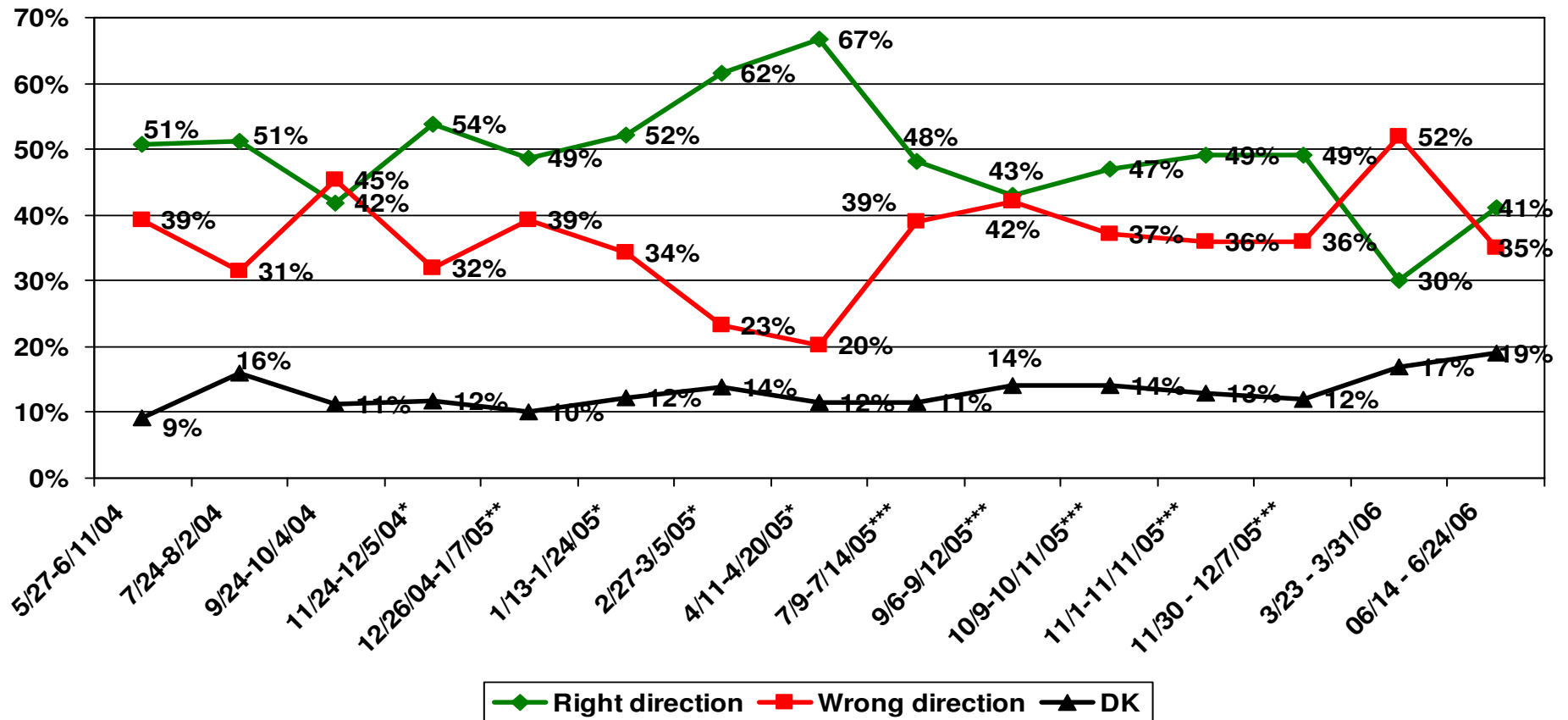


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**Trends: May 2004 – June 2006**



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Why do you feel that Iraq is generally heading in the right direction or the wrong direction?

**Right Direction**

Elected national government	31%
Freedom and democracy	21%
Getting rid of former regime	13%
Elections	12%
Having a constitution	7%

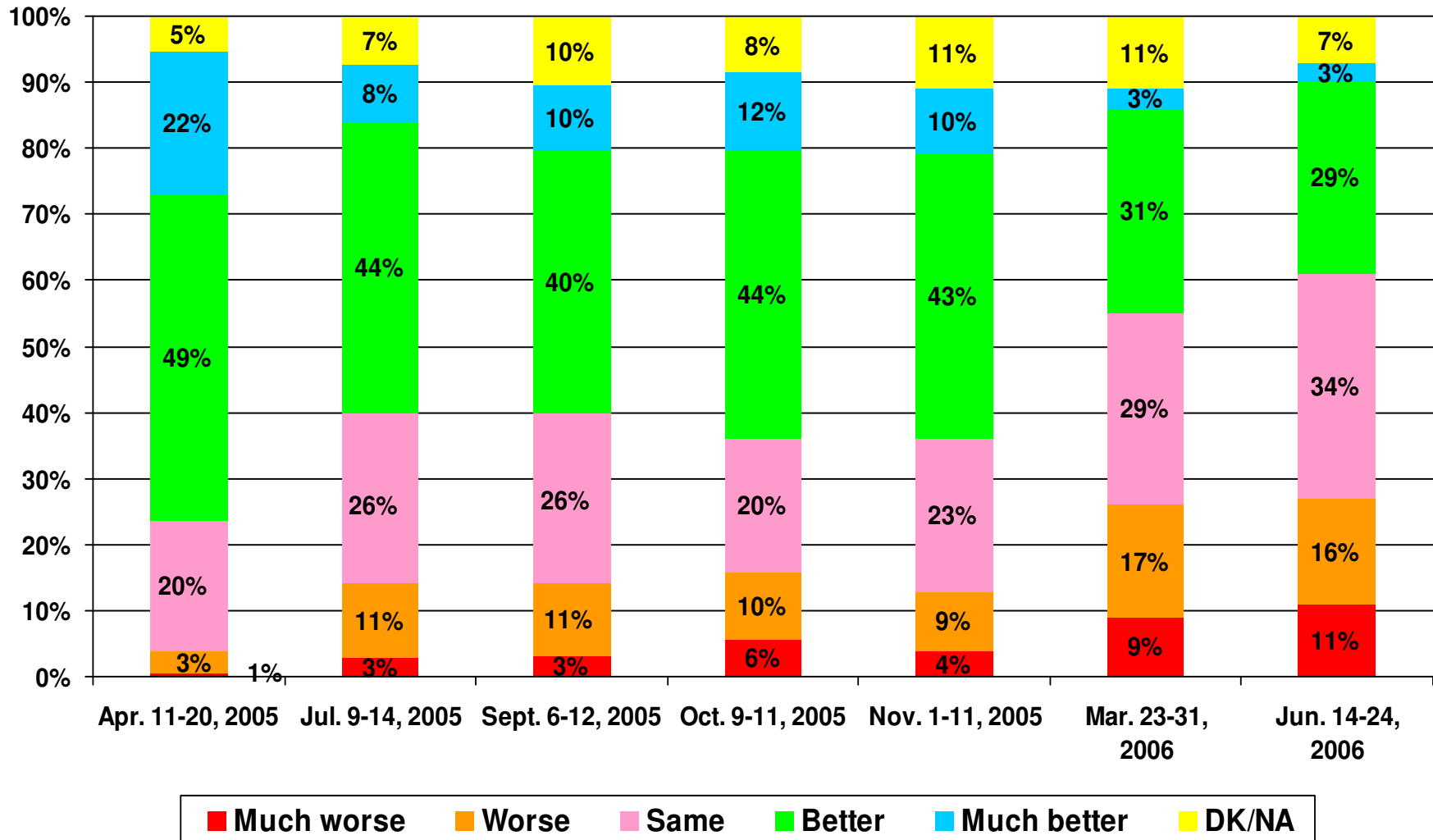
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**Wrong Direction**

Bad security situation	34%
Presence of occupation	32%
Sectarian conflict	7%
Inactive government	7%
General instability	6%

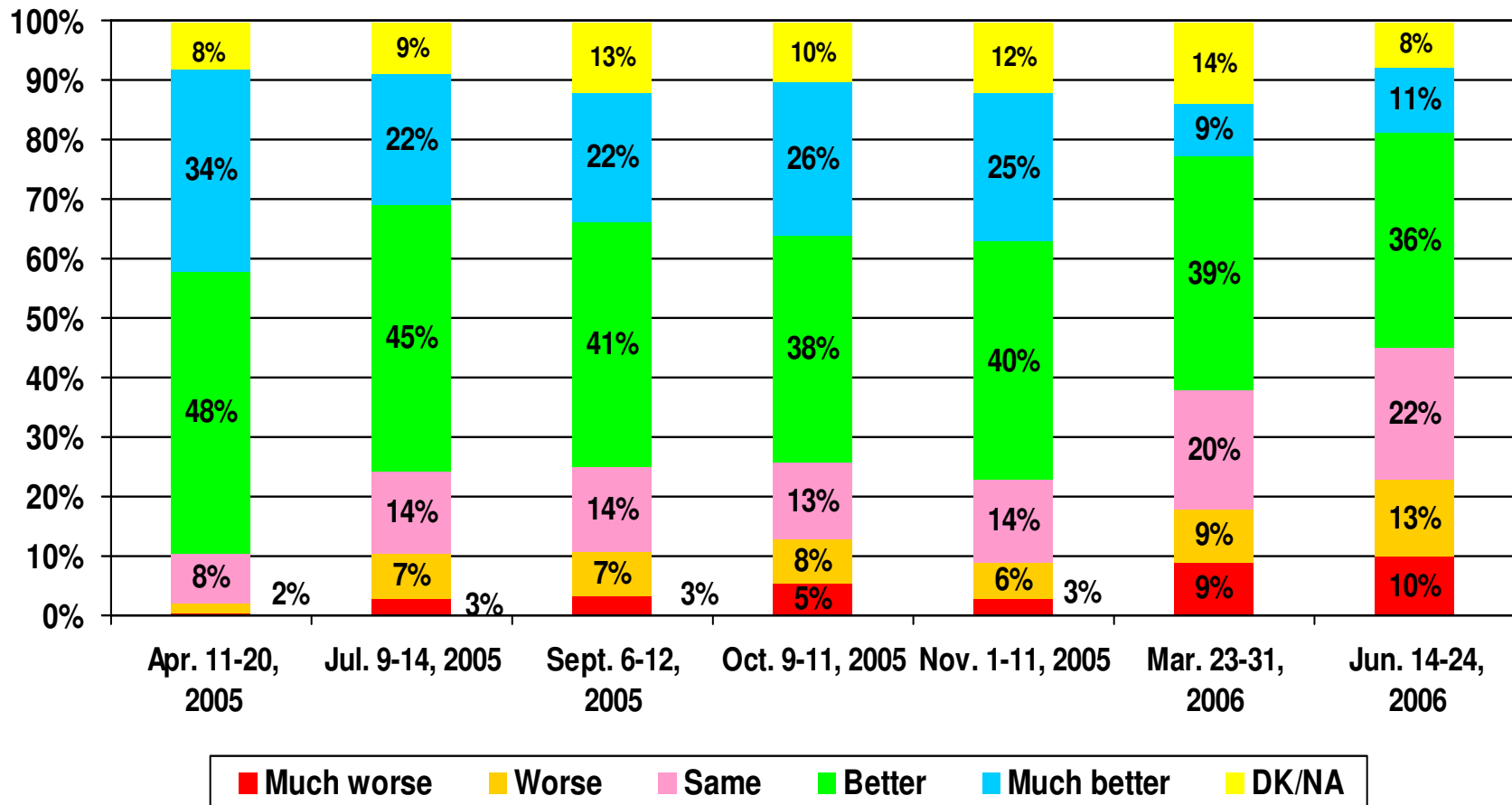
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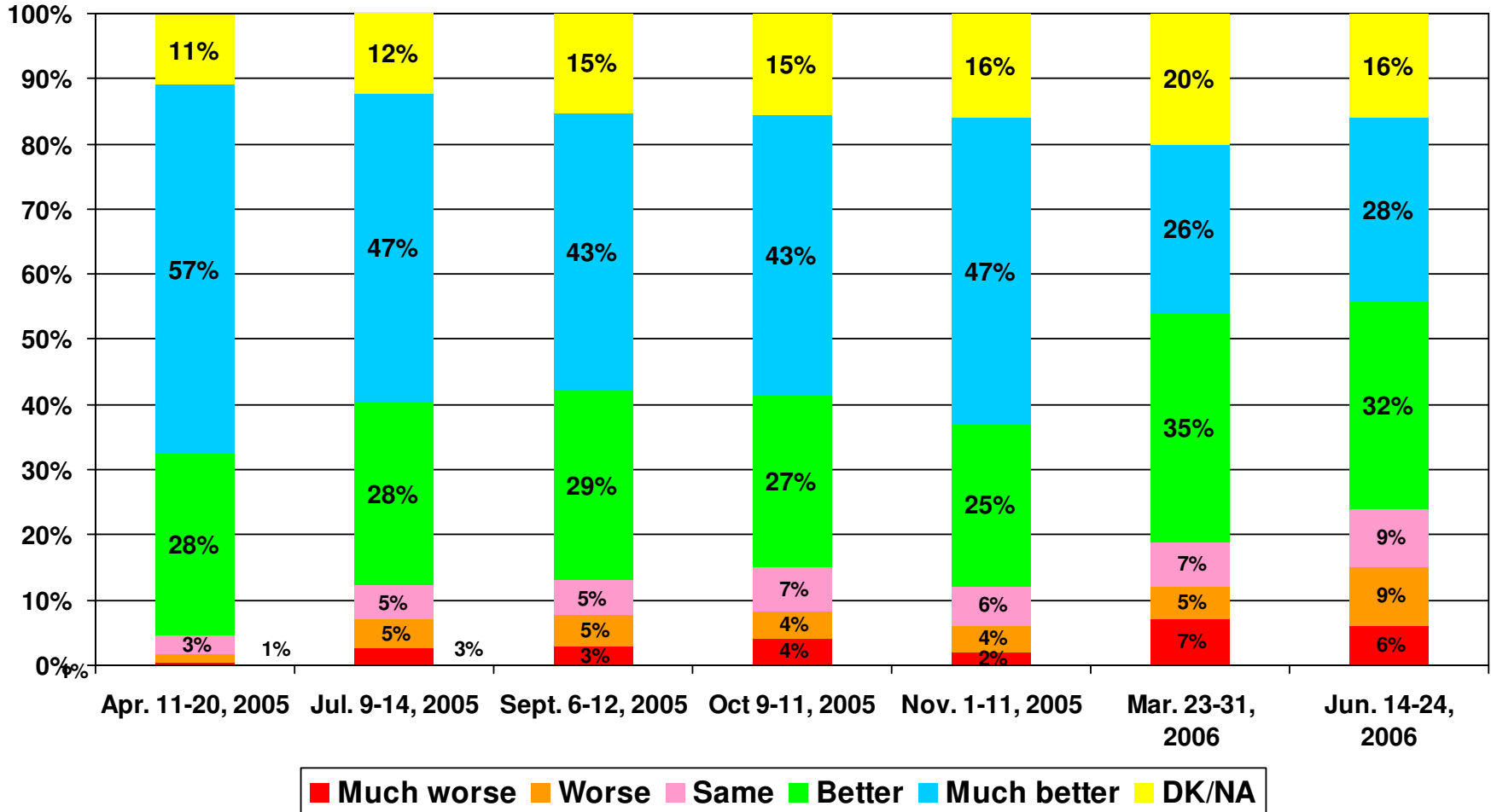




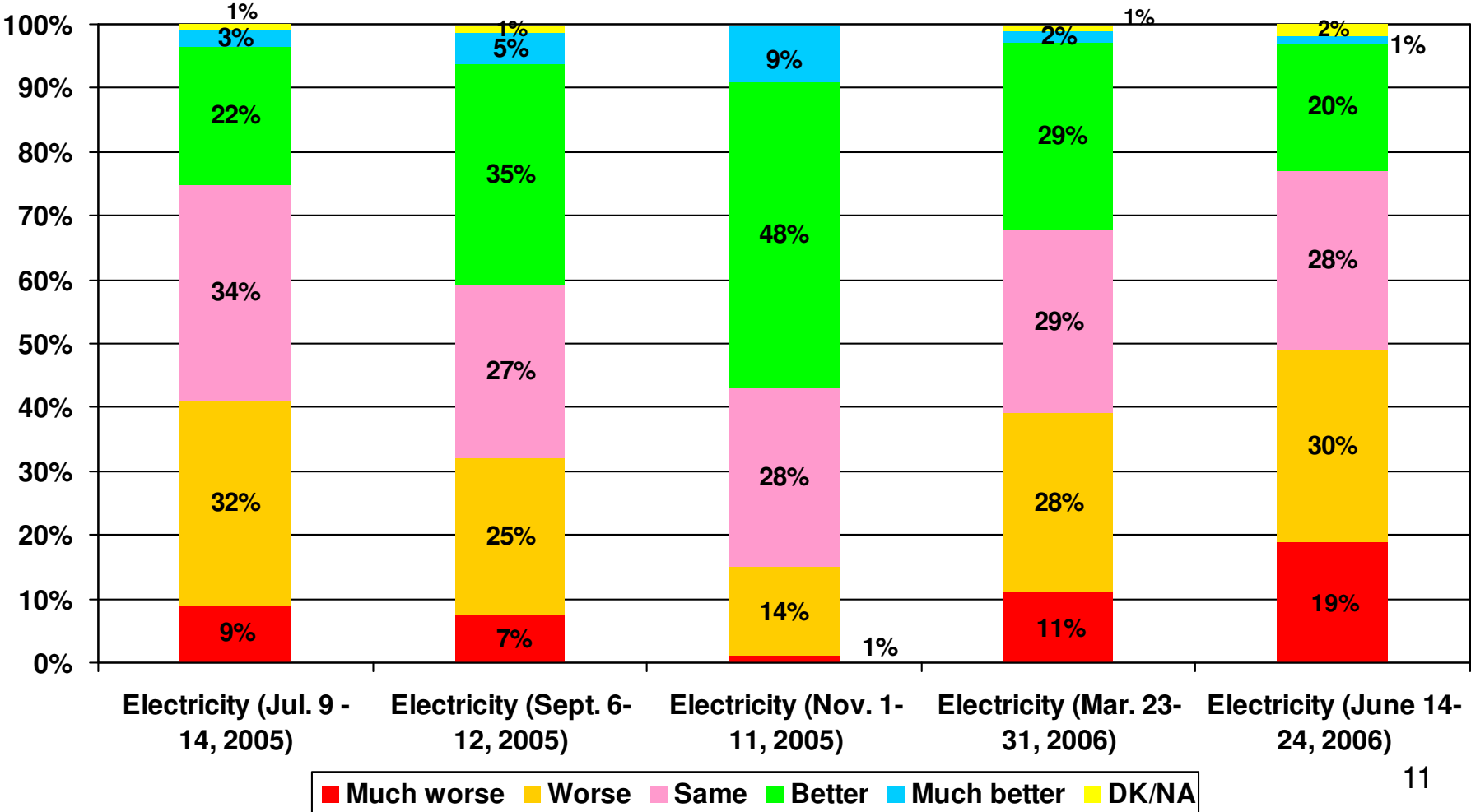
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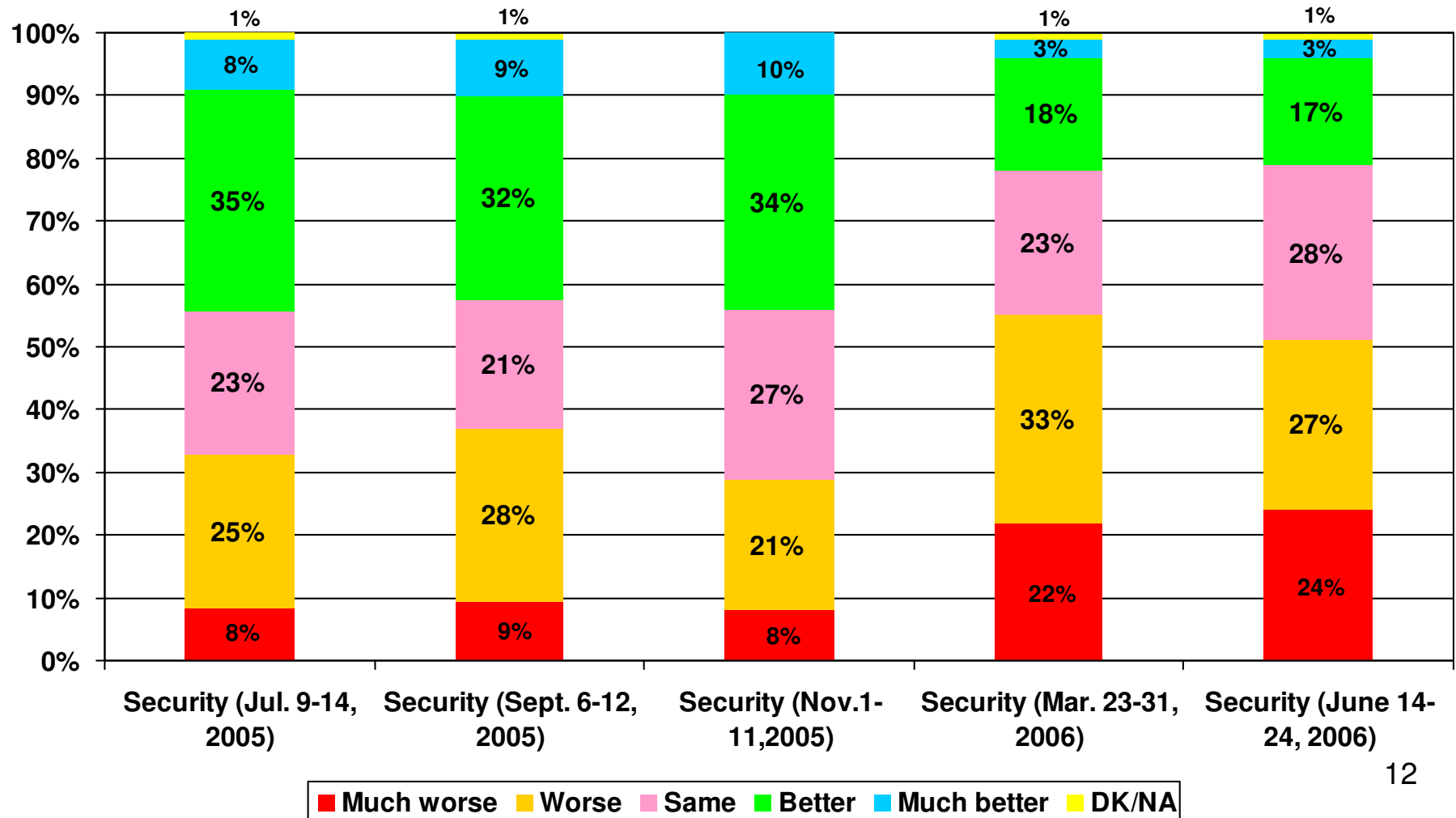
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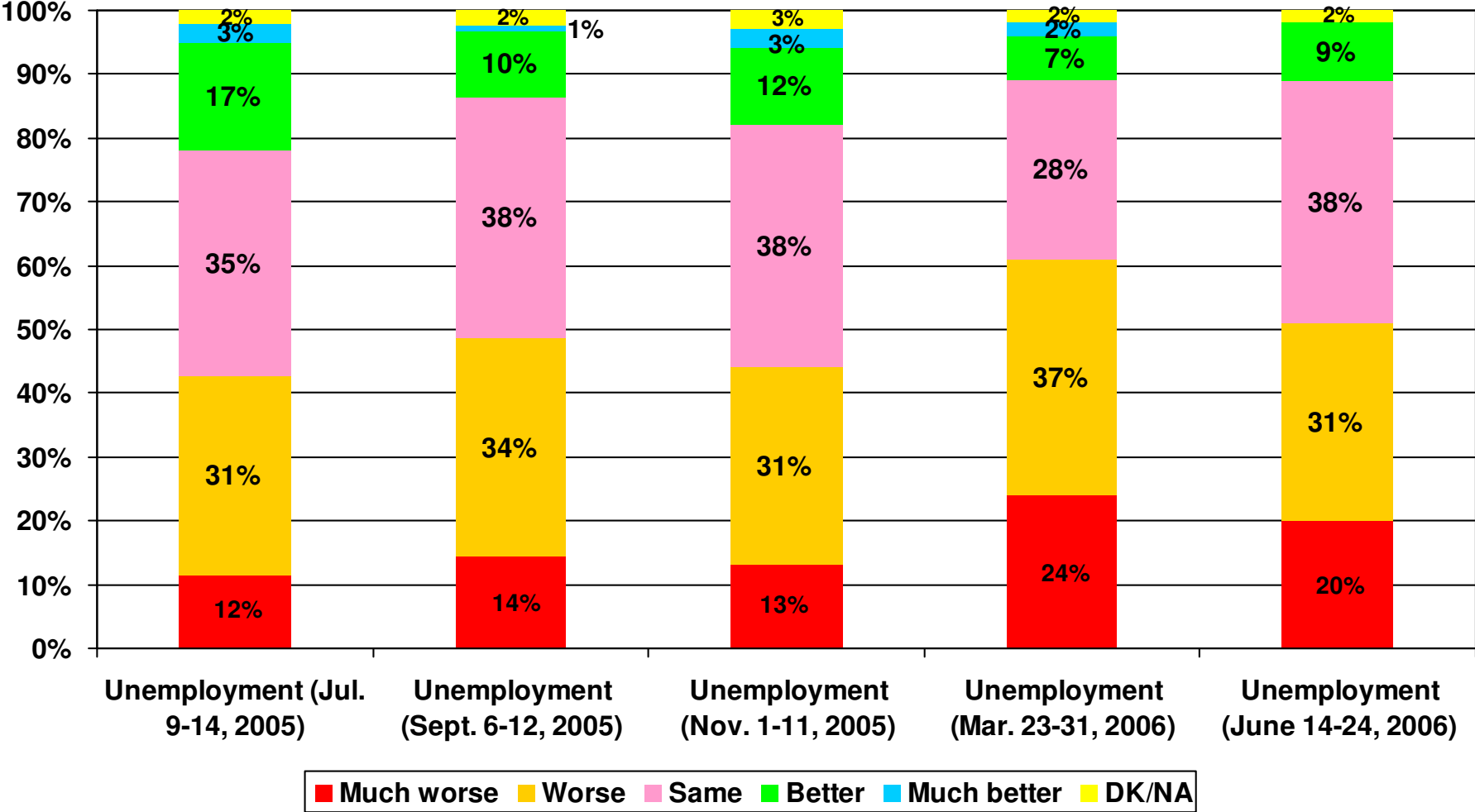
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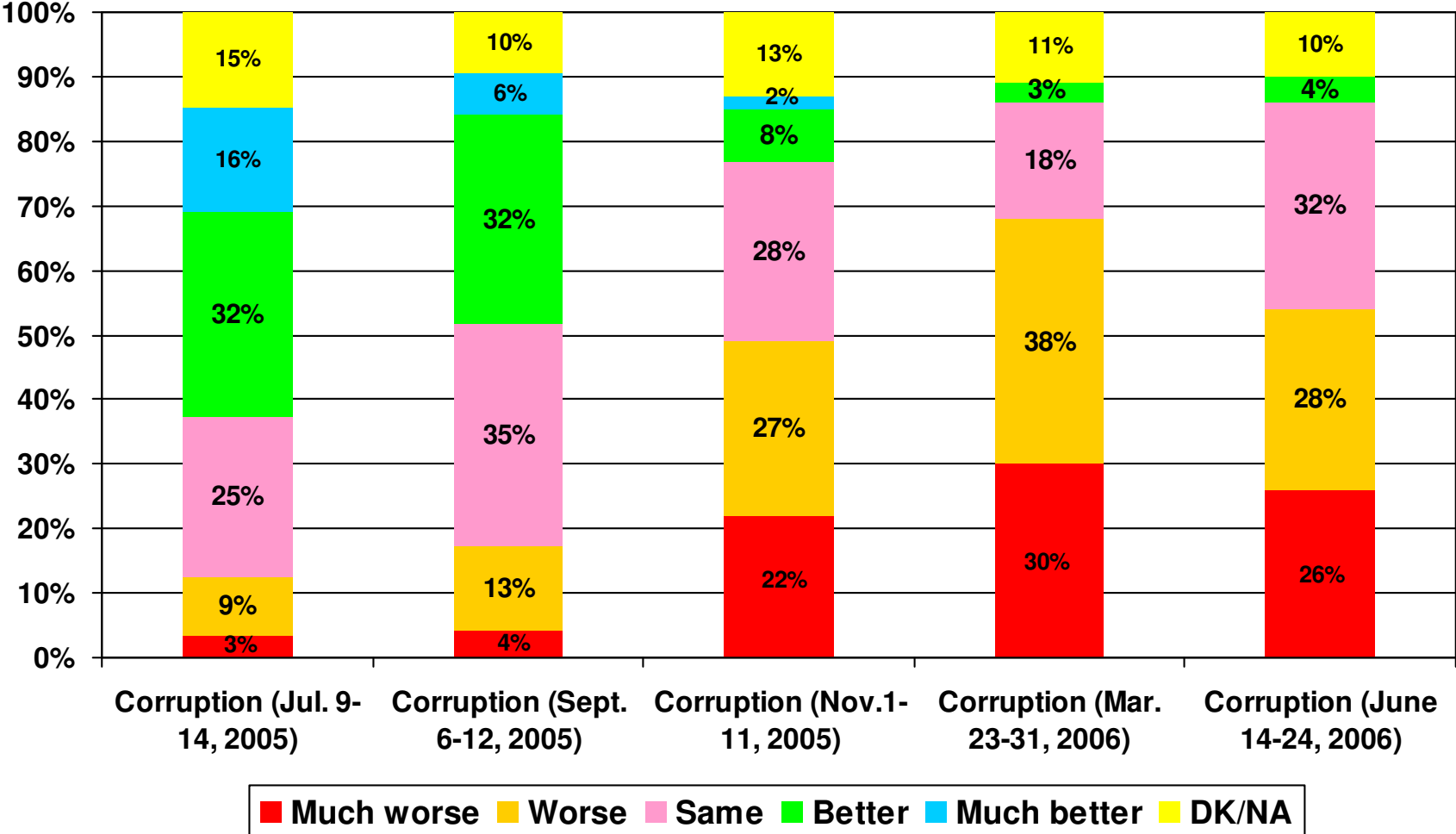
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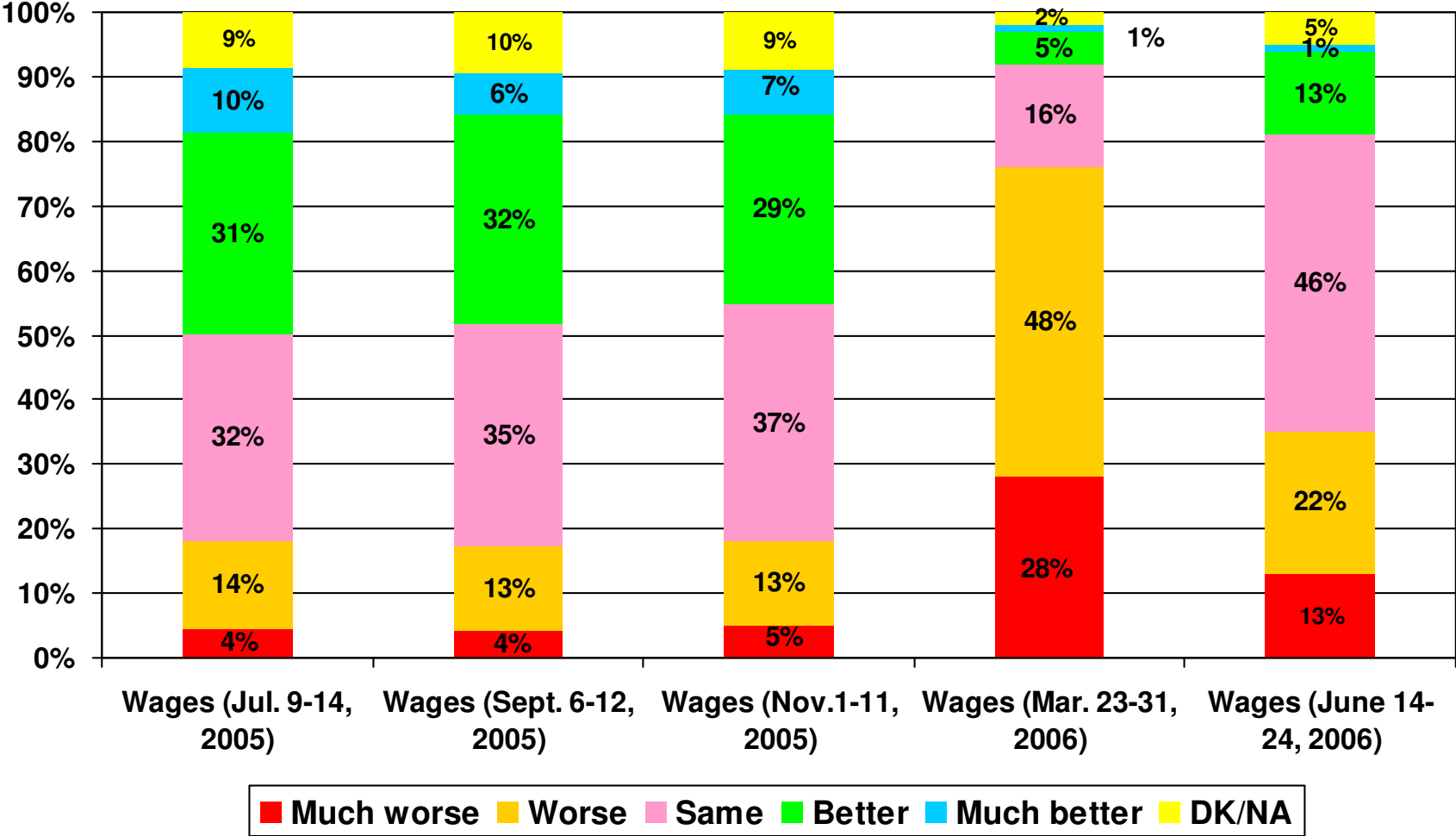
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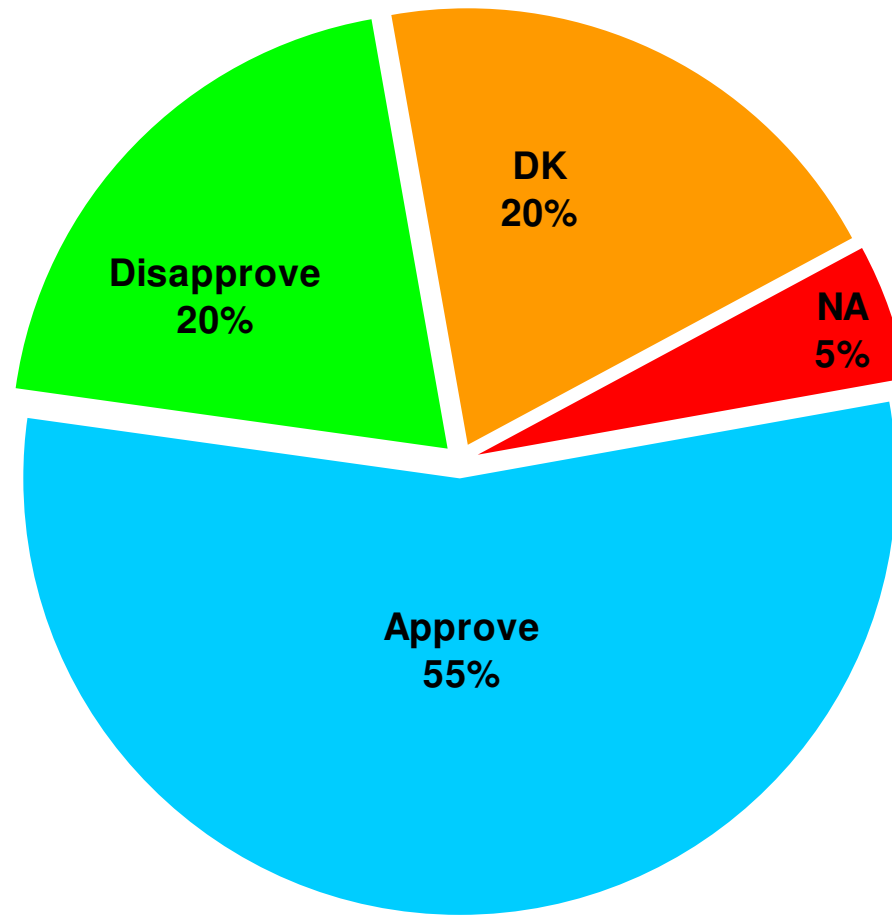
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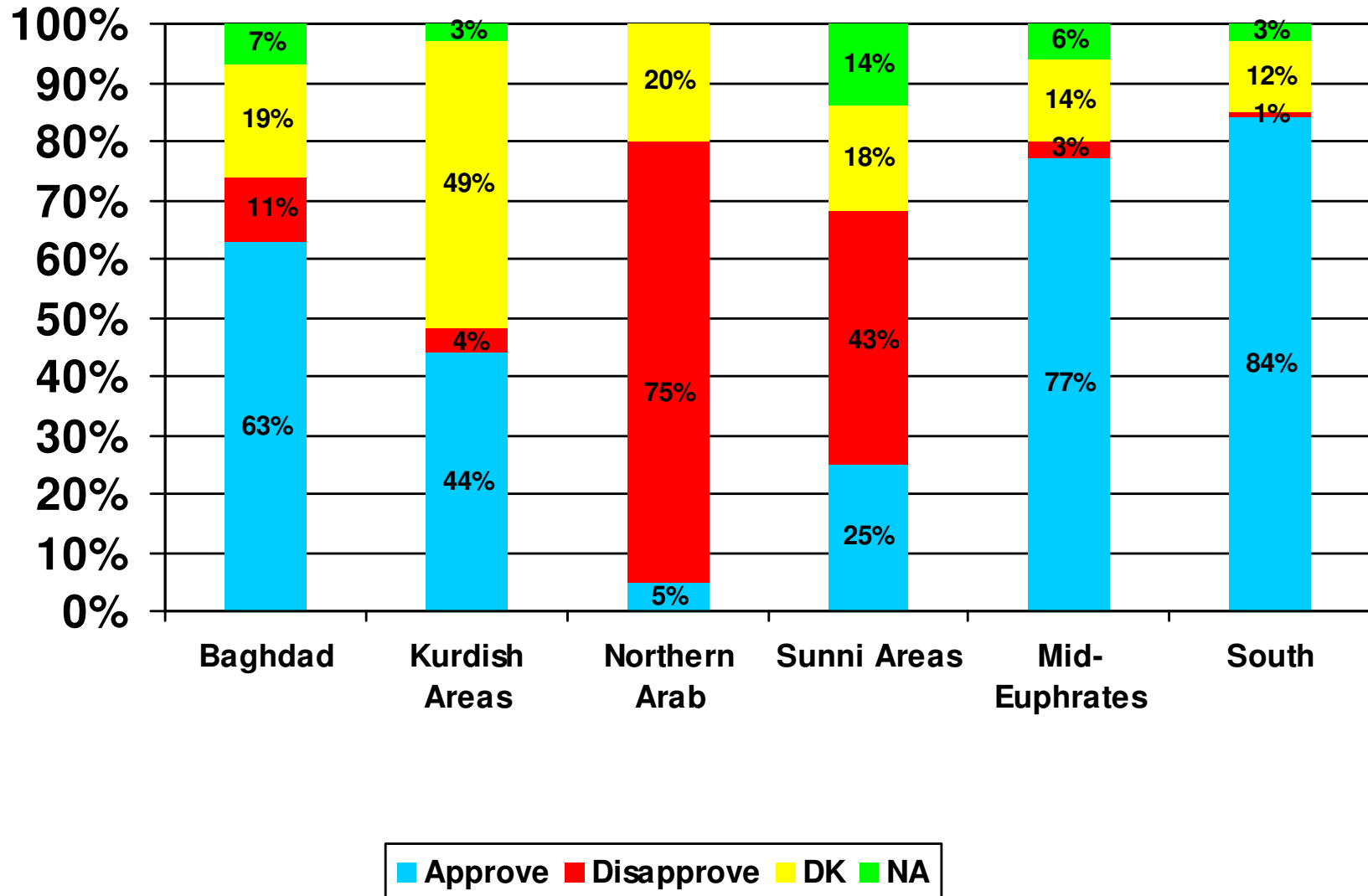


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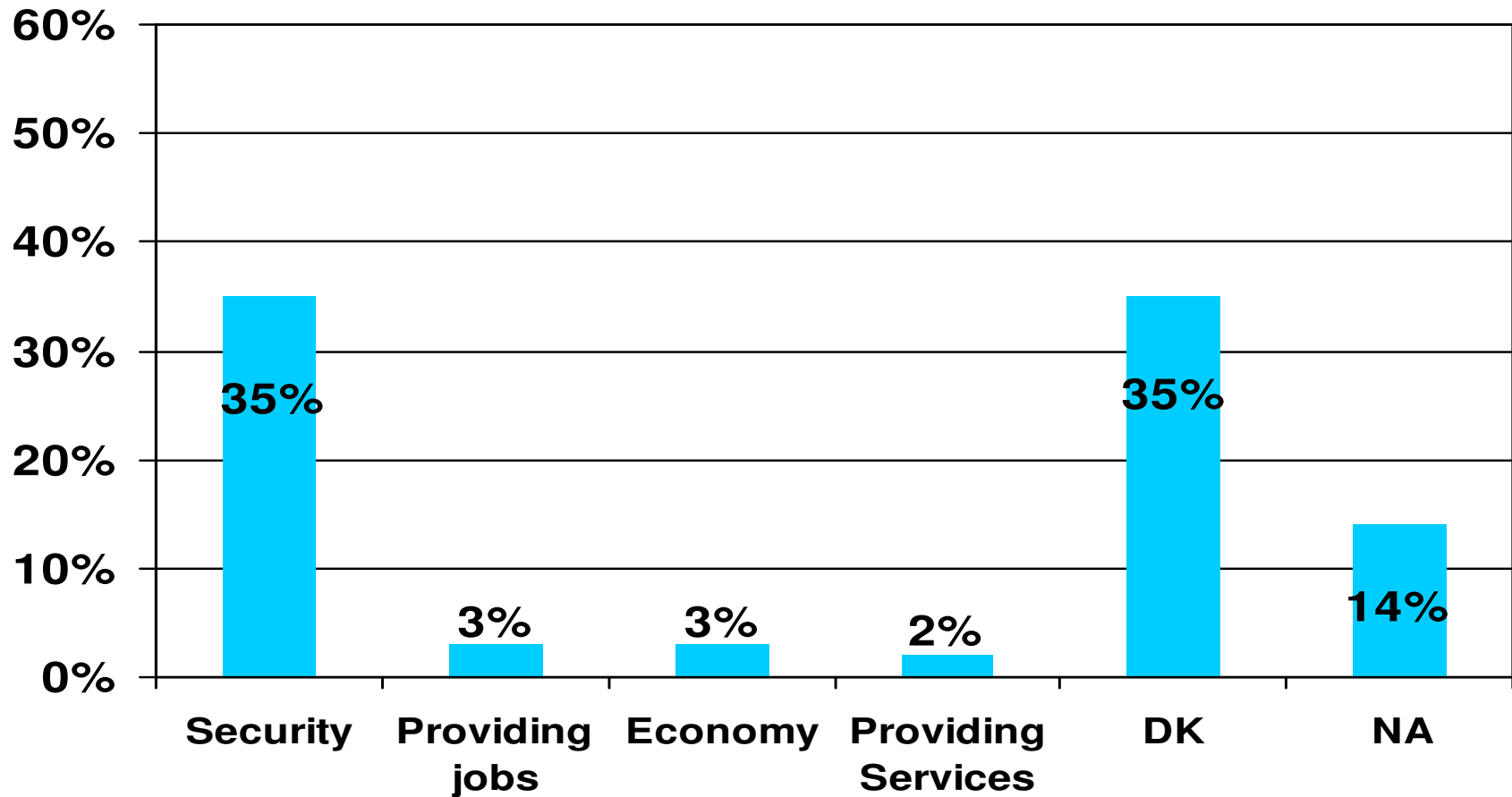




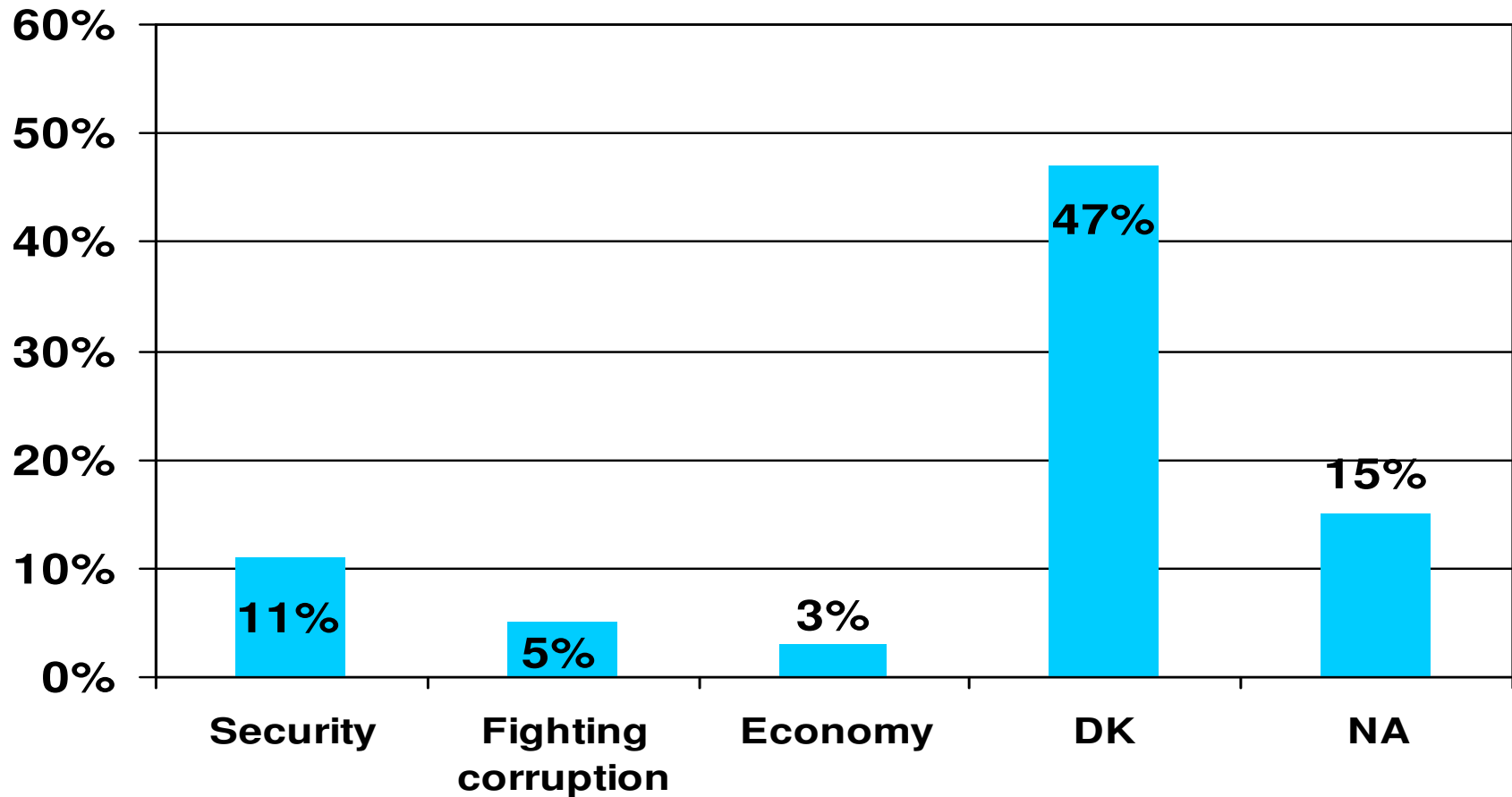
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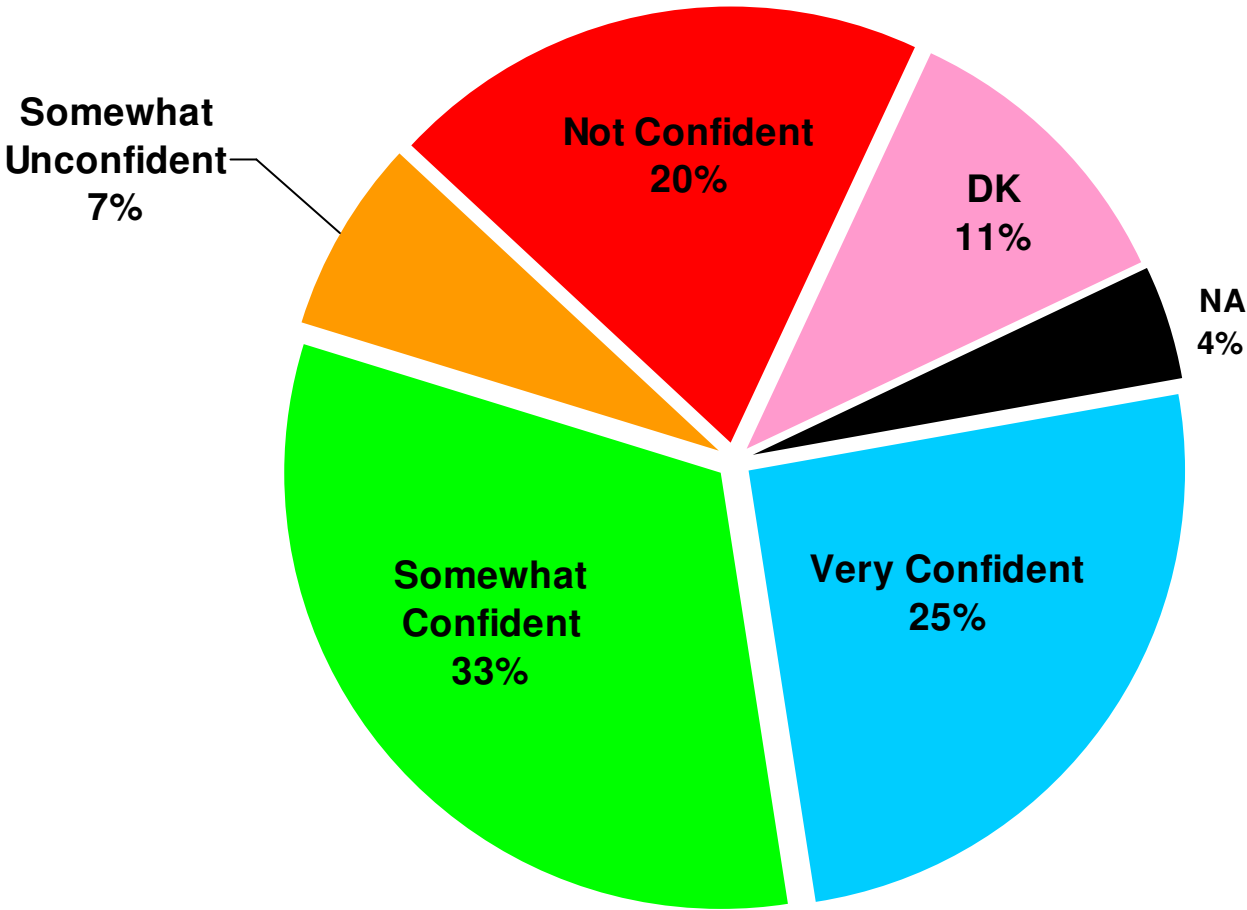
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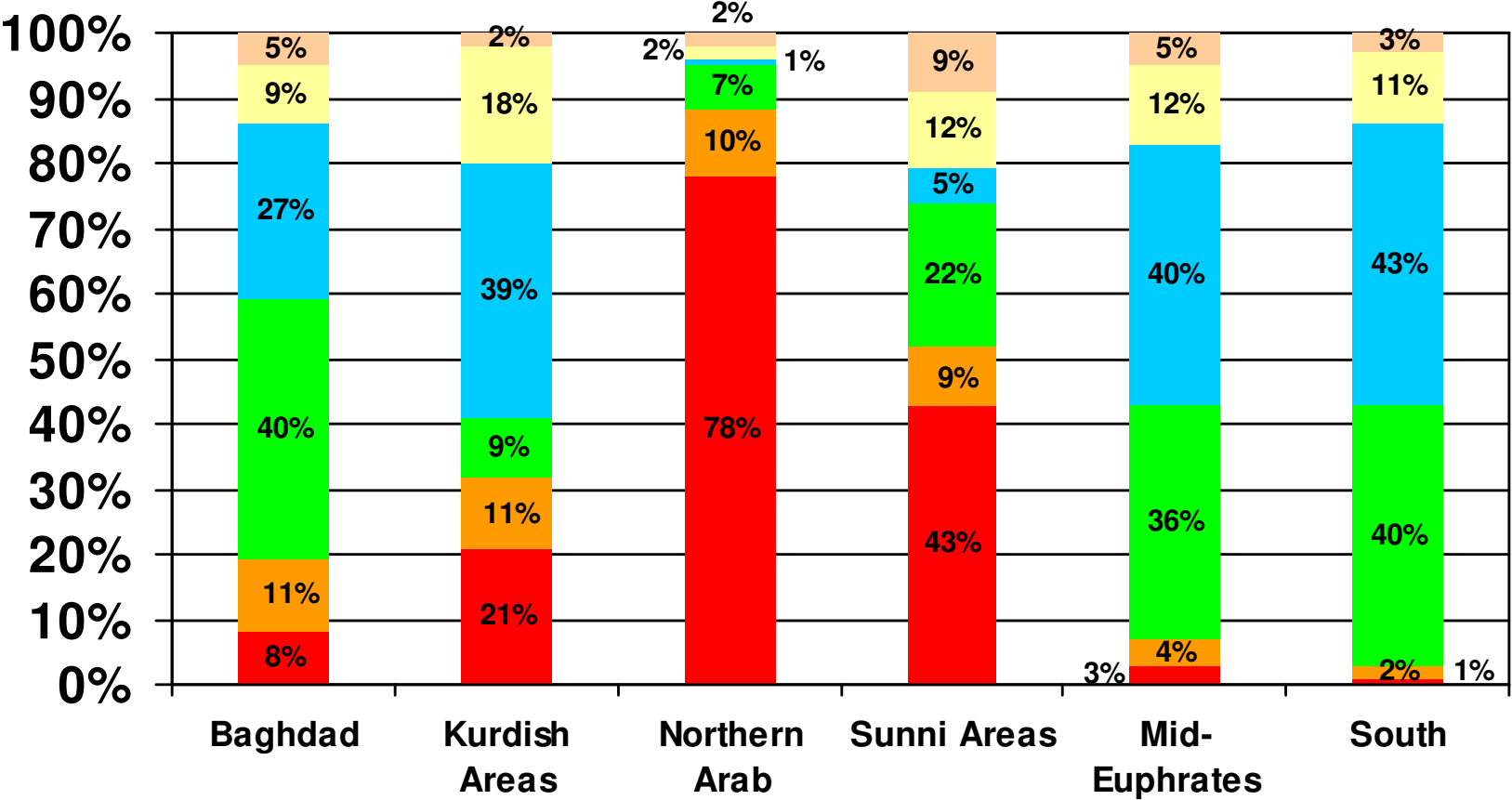
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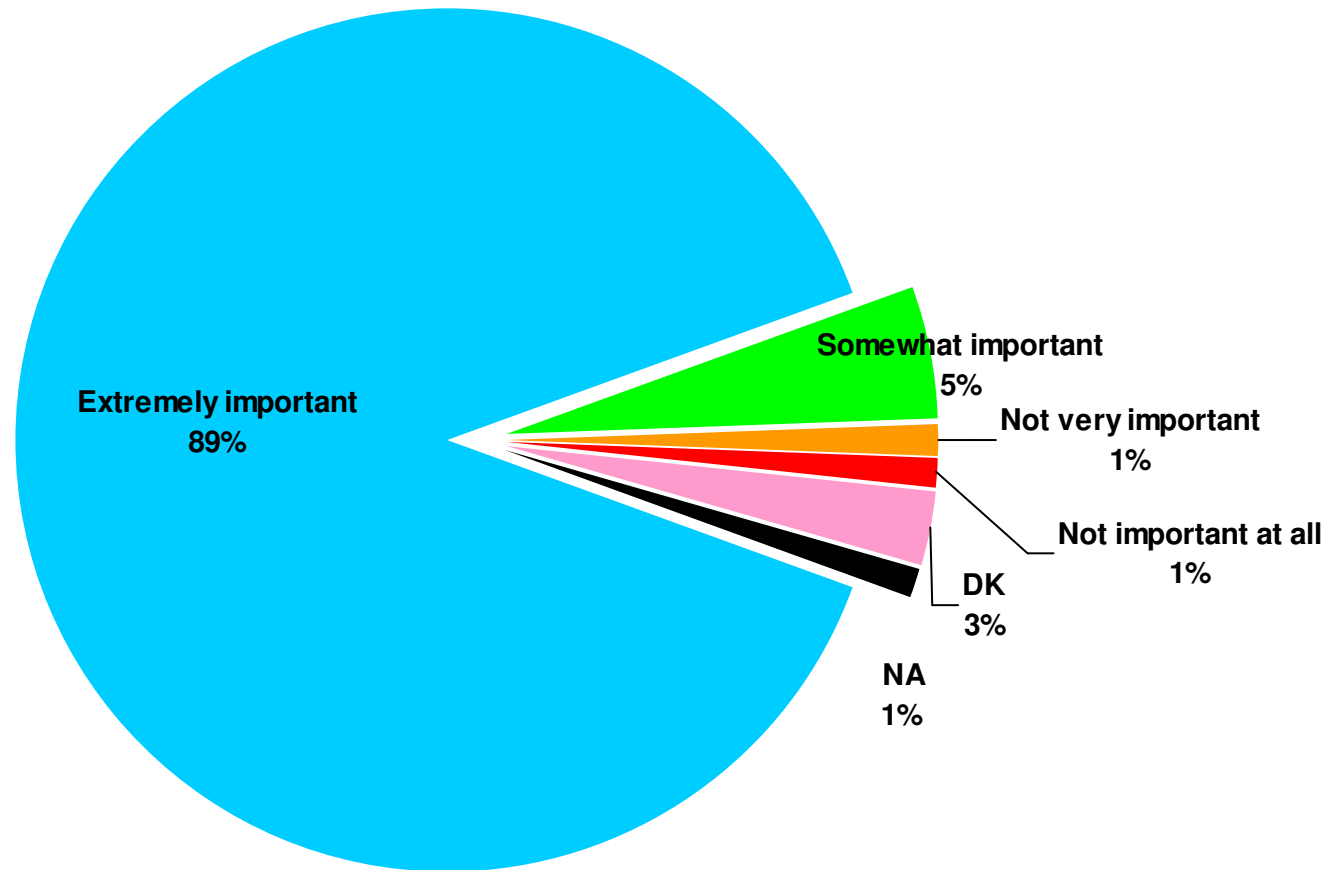


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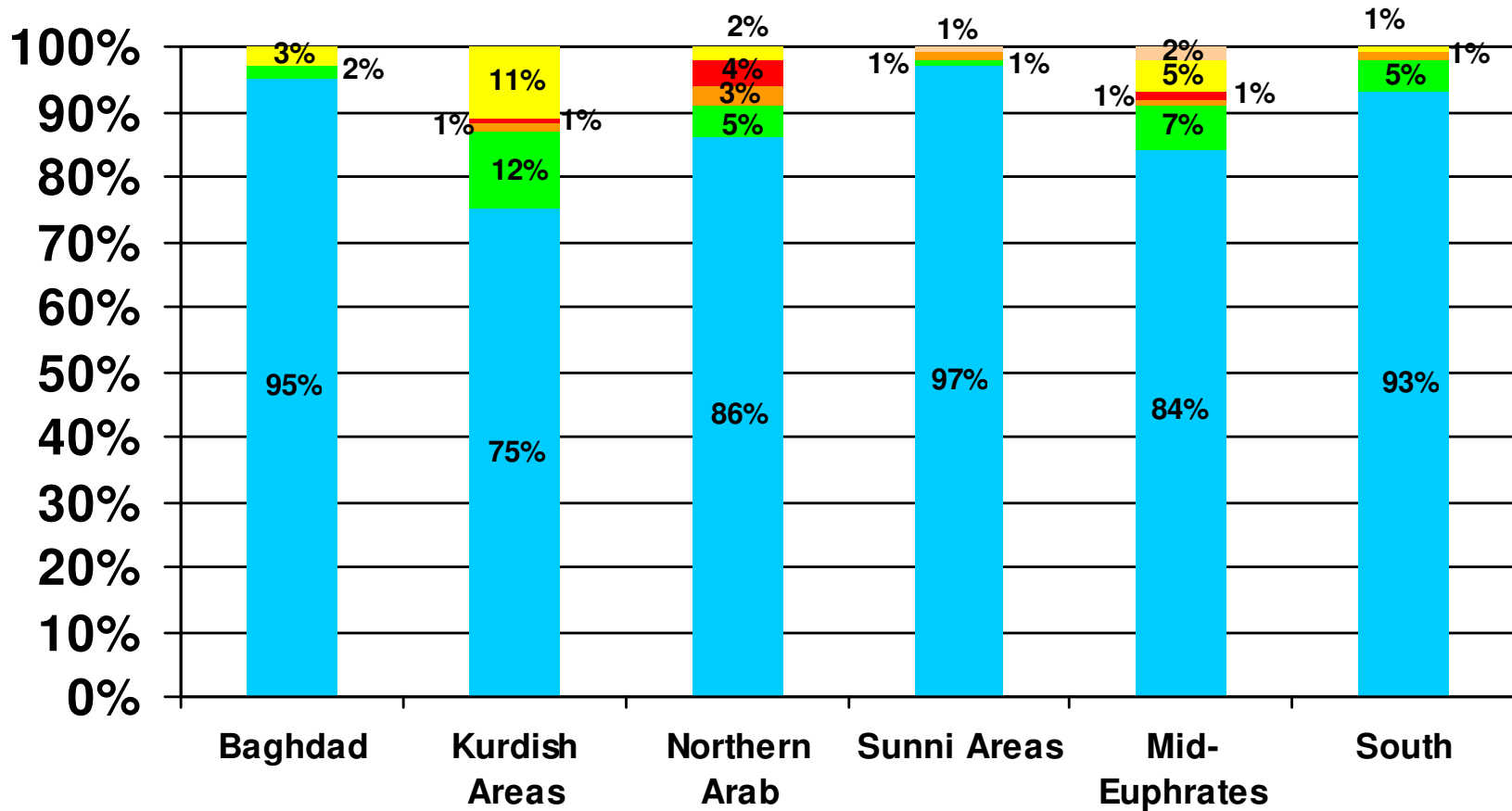


■ Very Unconfident 
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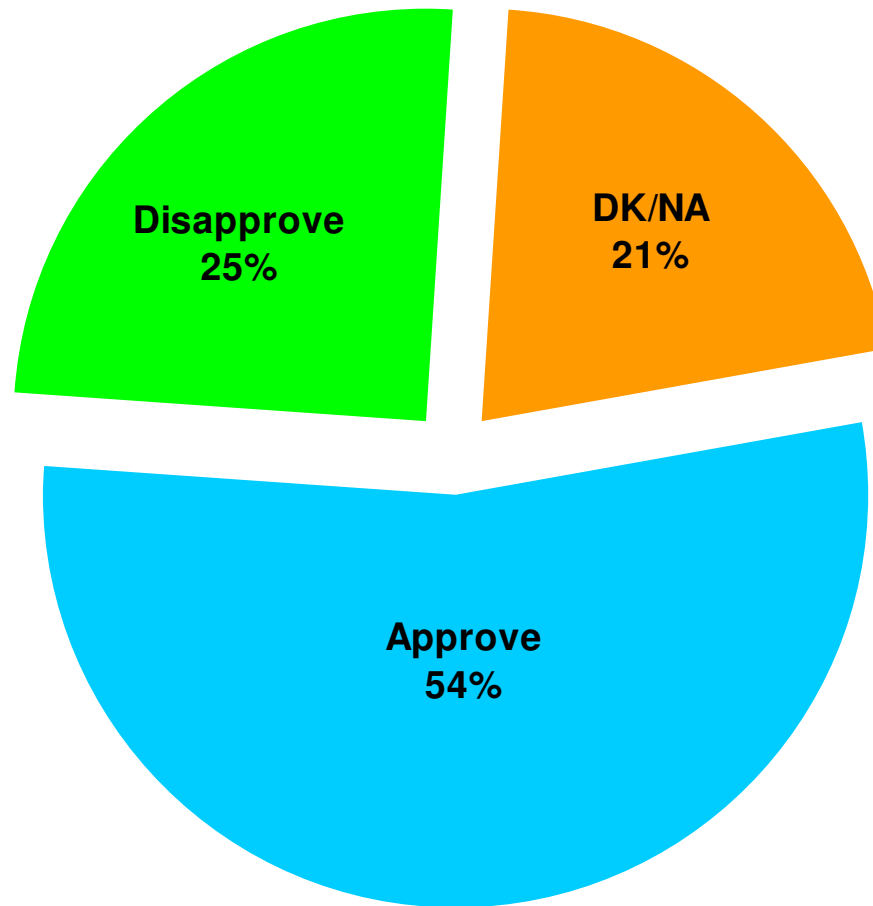
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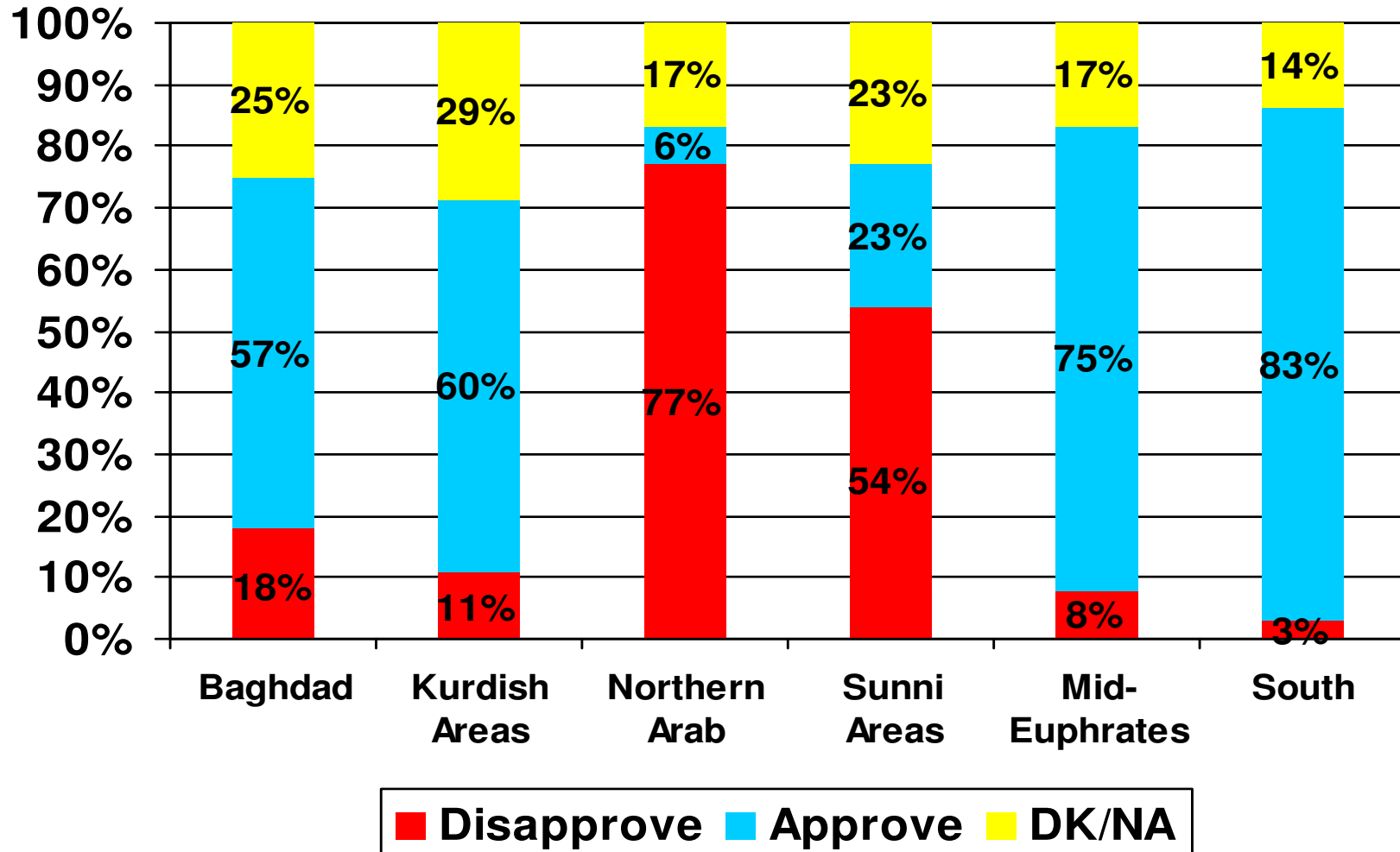


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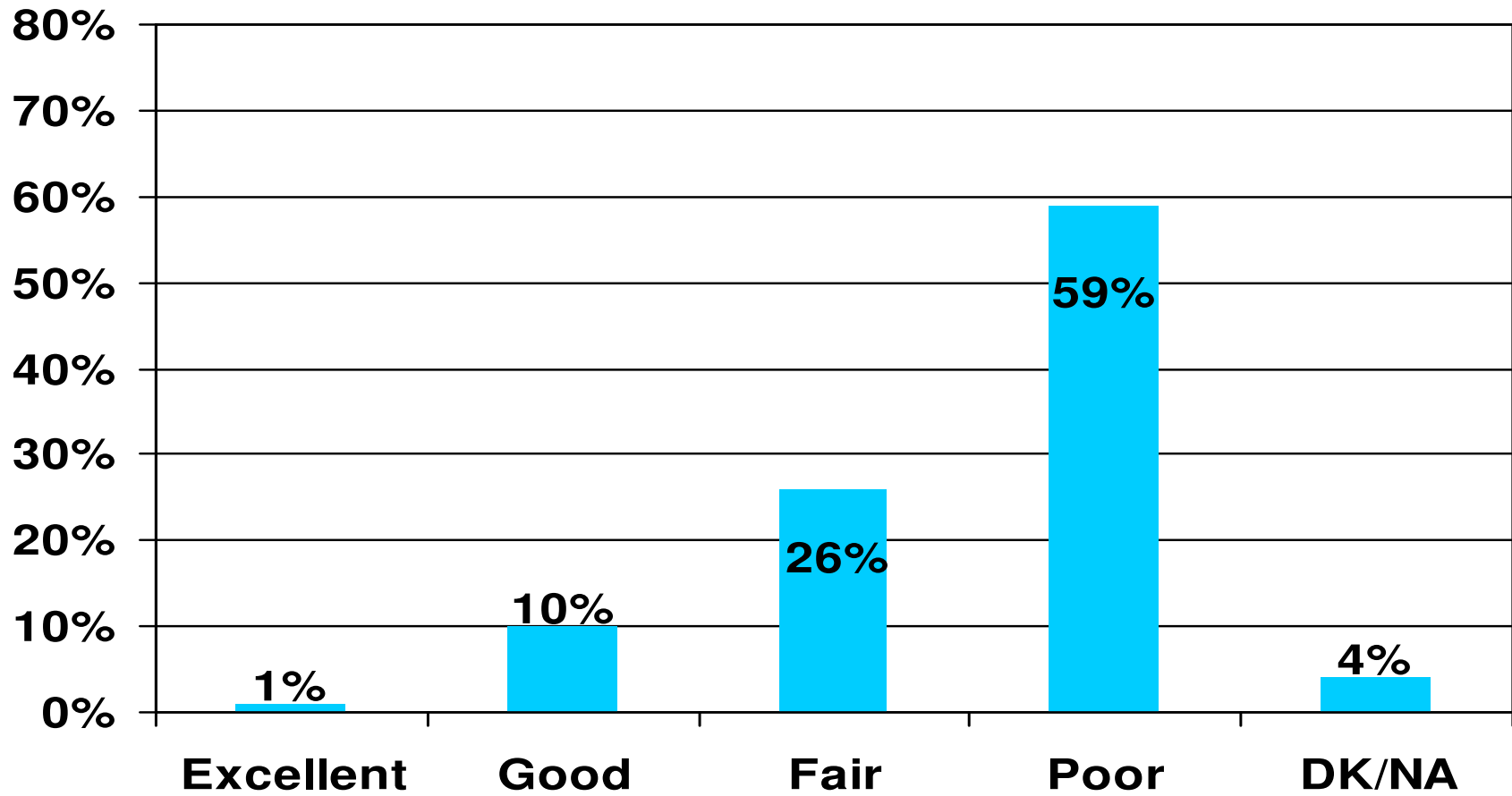




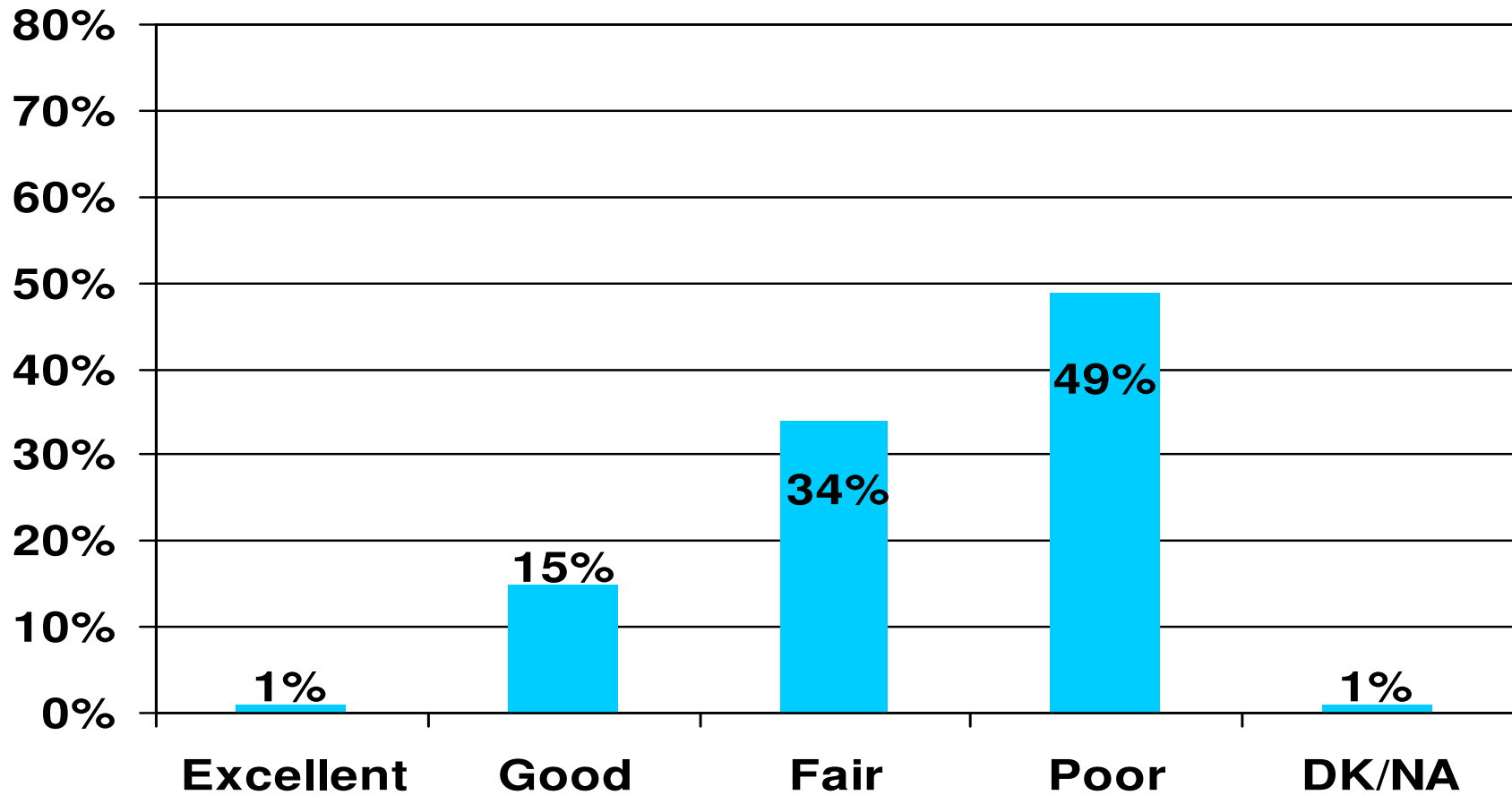
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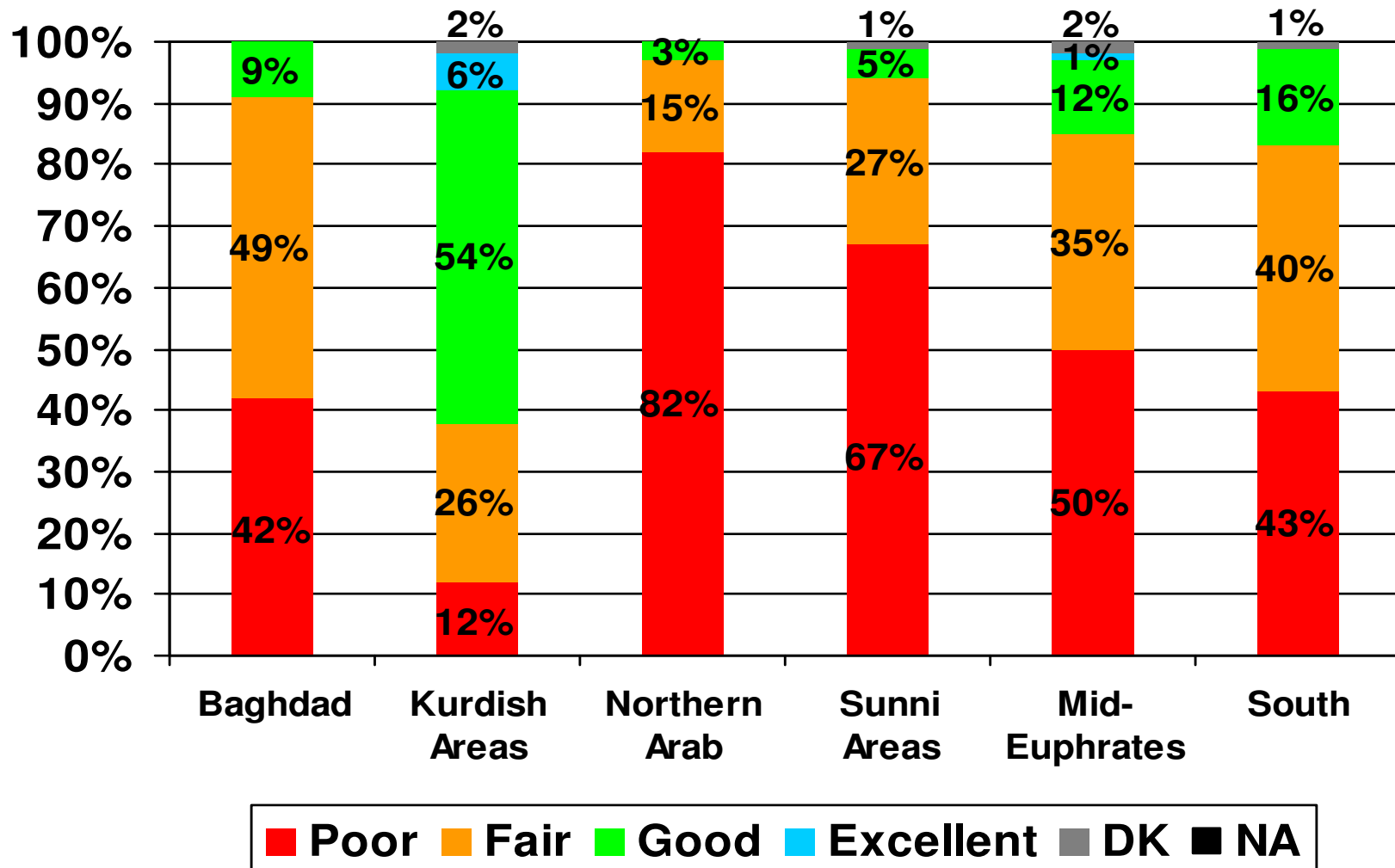
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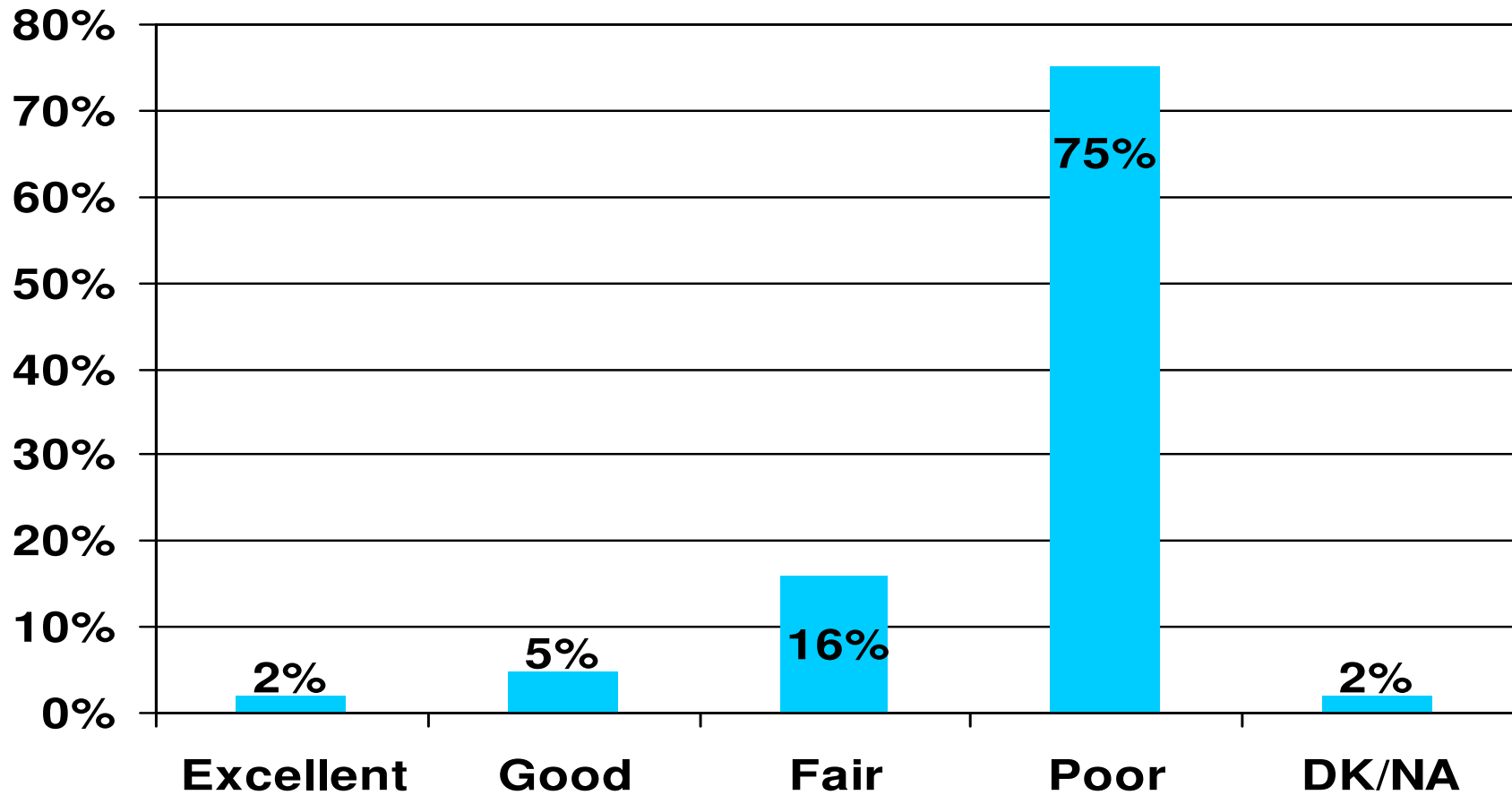
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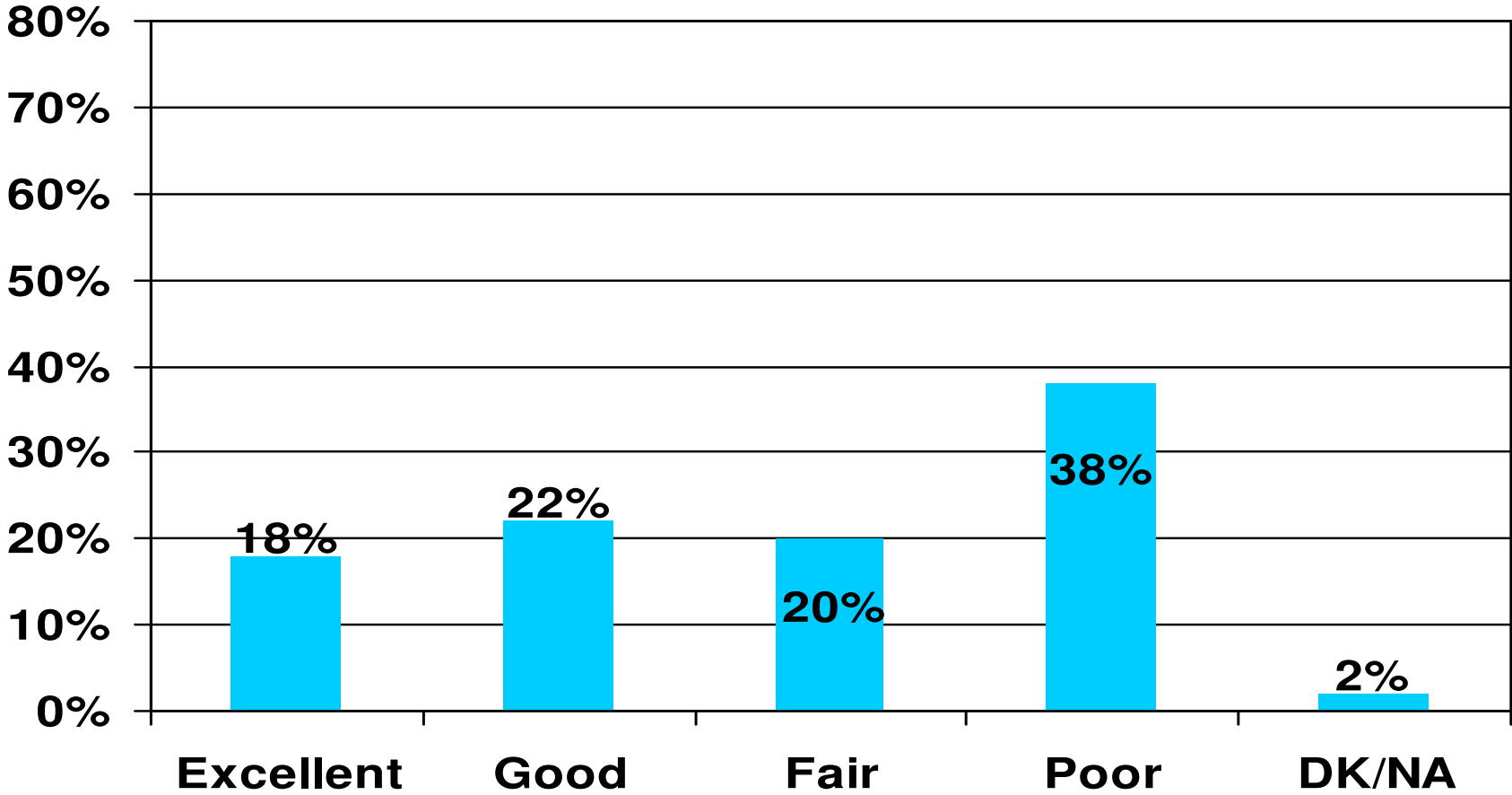
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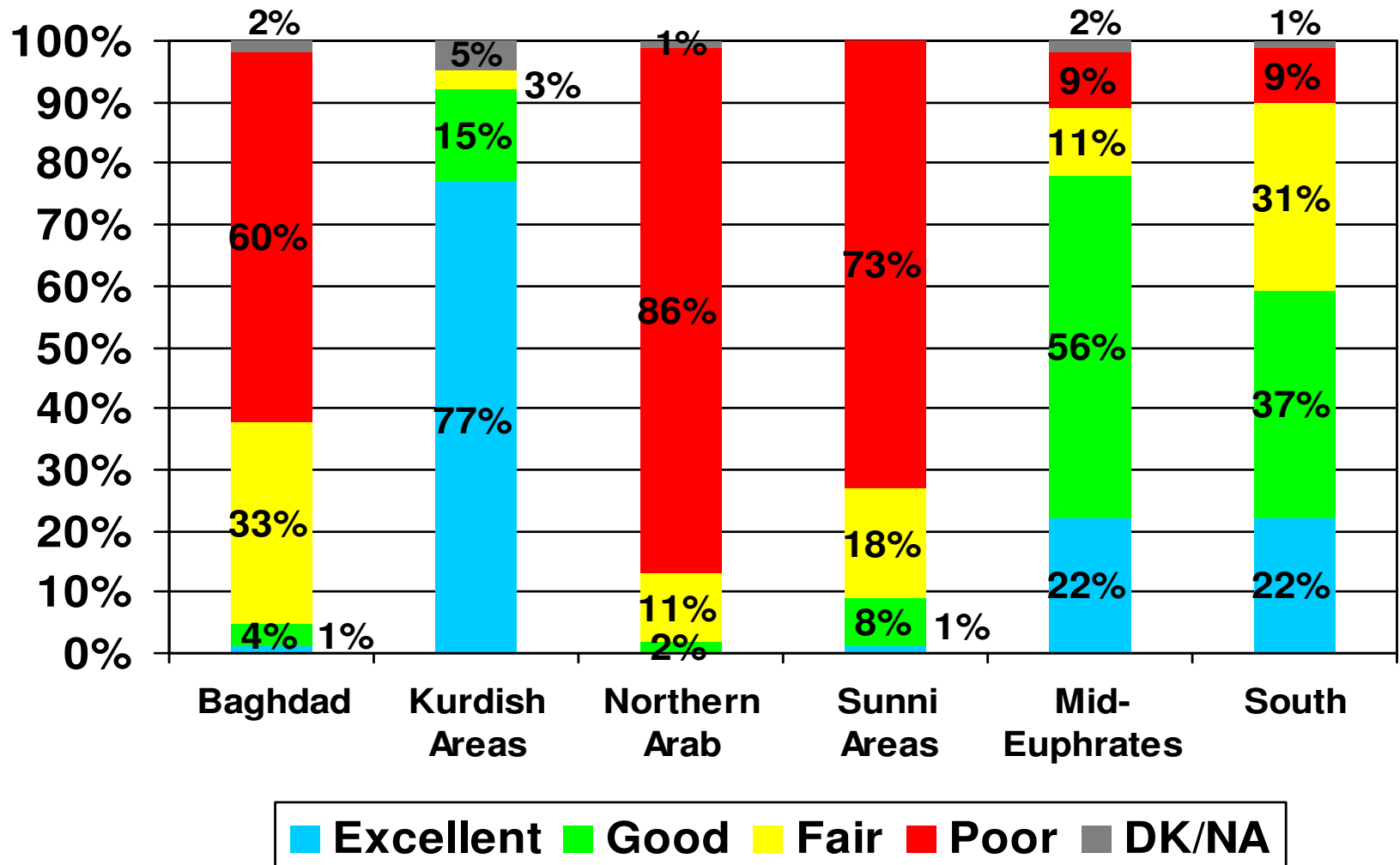
How would you describe security conditions in Iraq today?



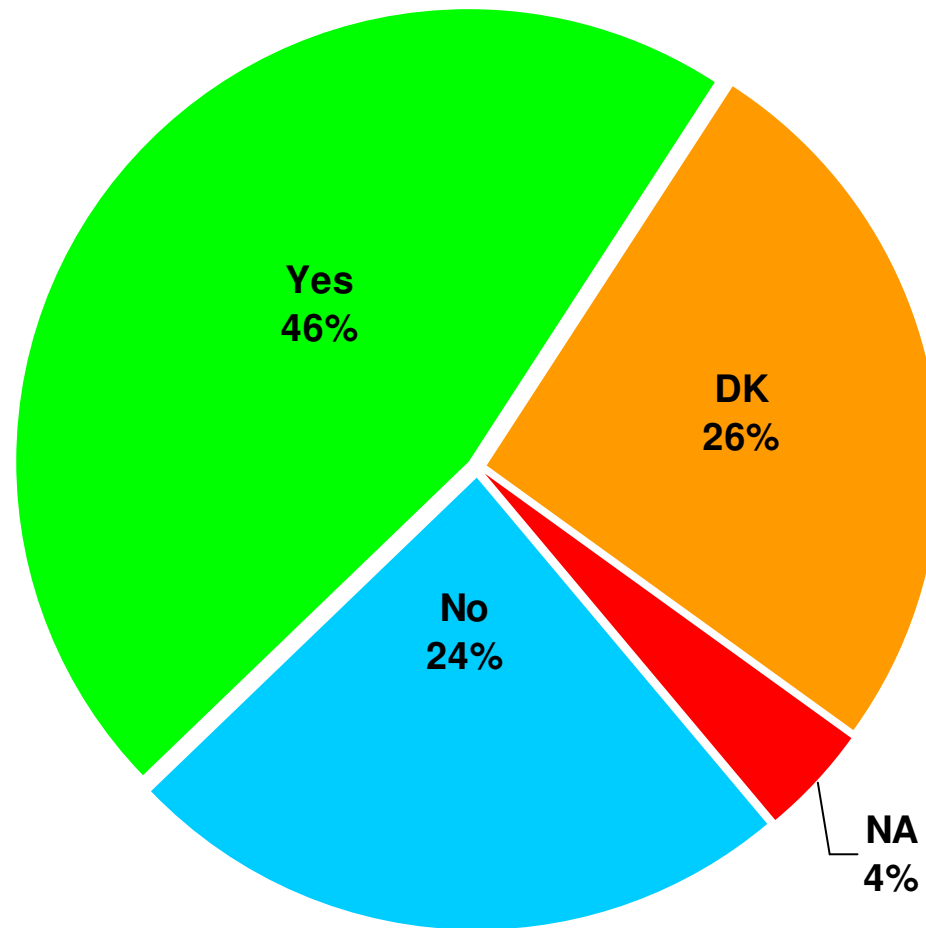
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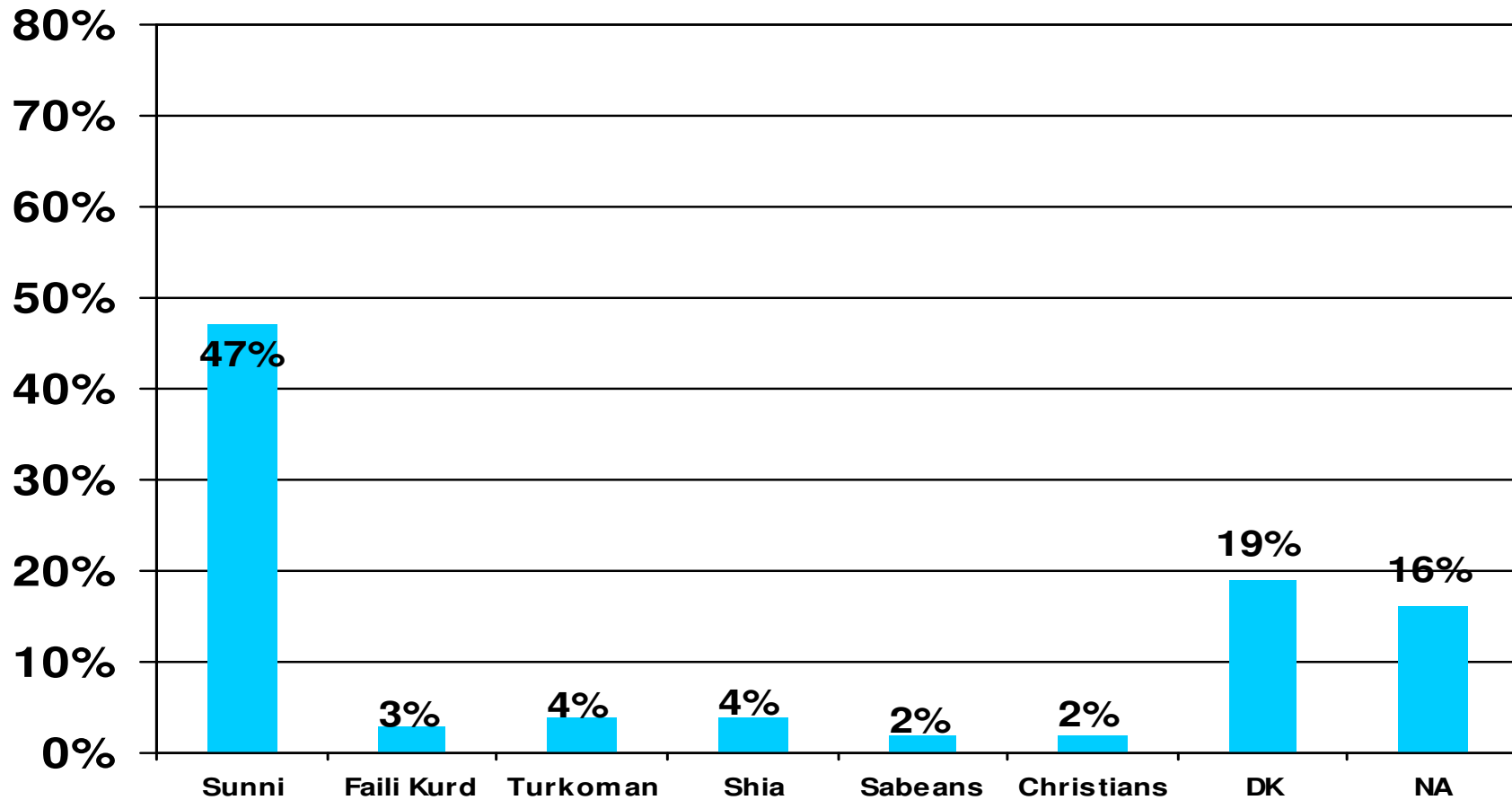


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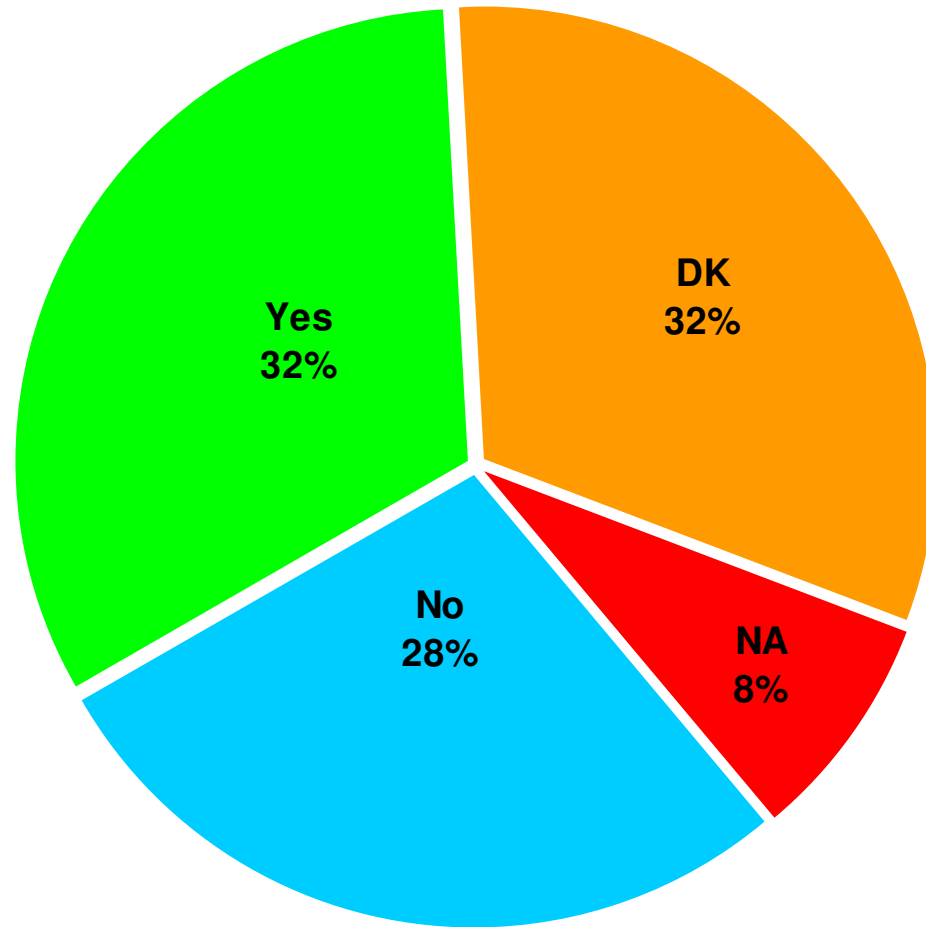


If you do not believe that all of Iraq's religious and ethnic are fairly represented in the new Iraqi government, which group(s) do you believe is/are not fairly represented?

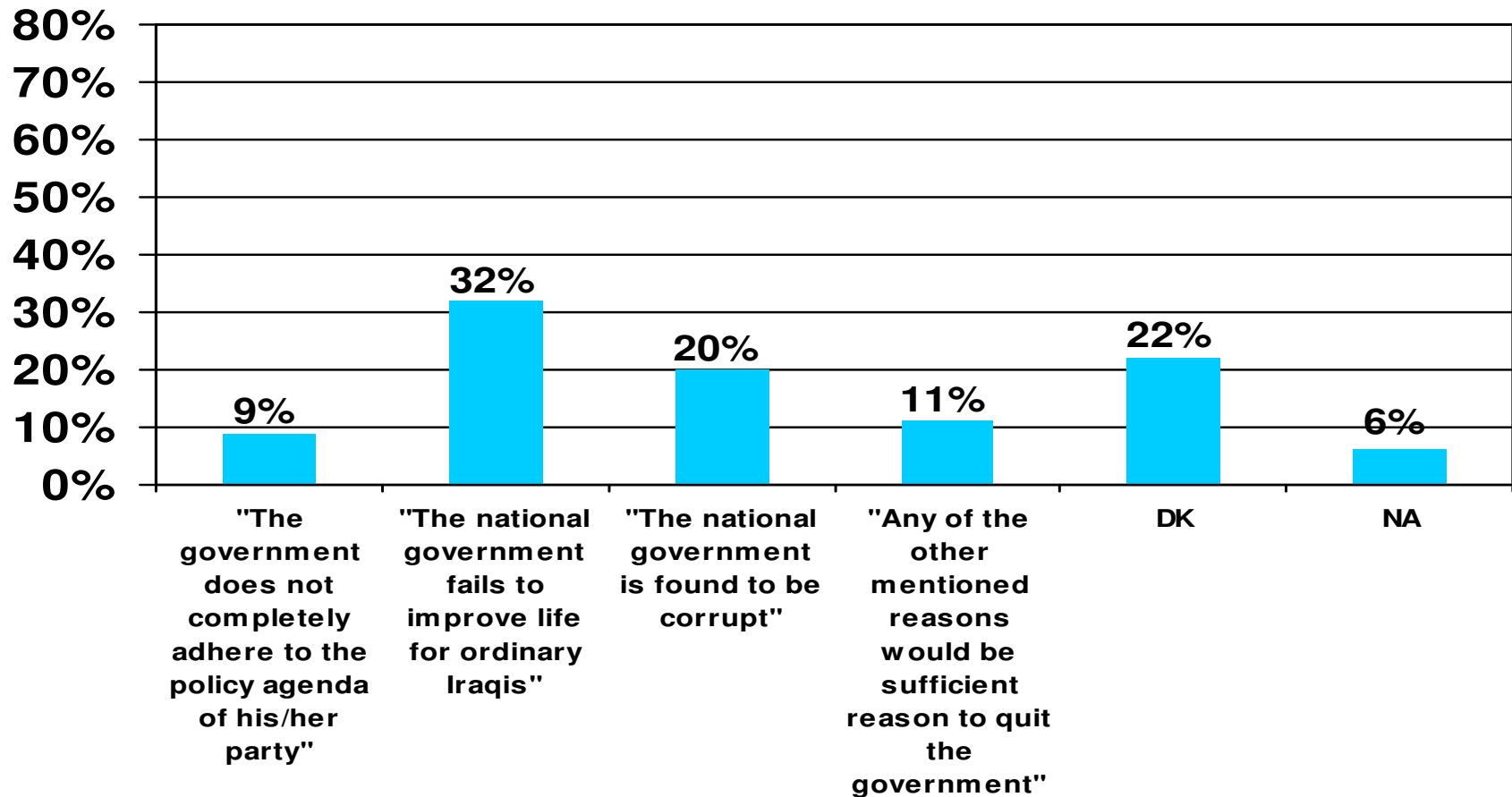


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Do you believe it is appropriate for leaders of any political party to quit the government under any circumstance?

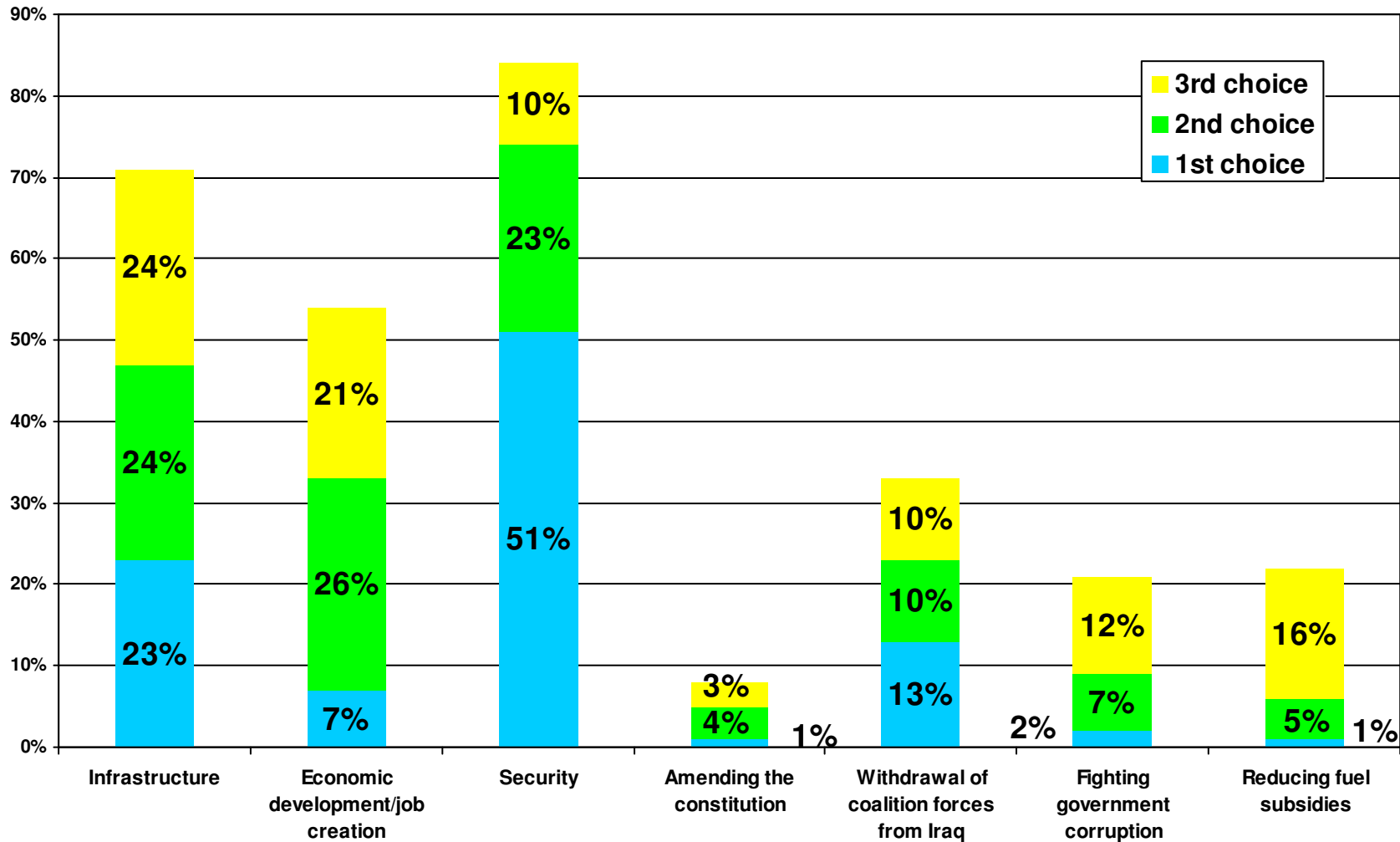


Which of the following best describes the circumstances under which it is appropriate for political leaders to quit the government, which of the following best describes a valid reason to do so?

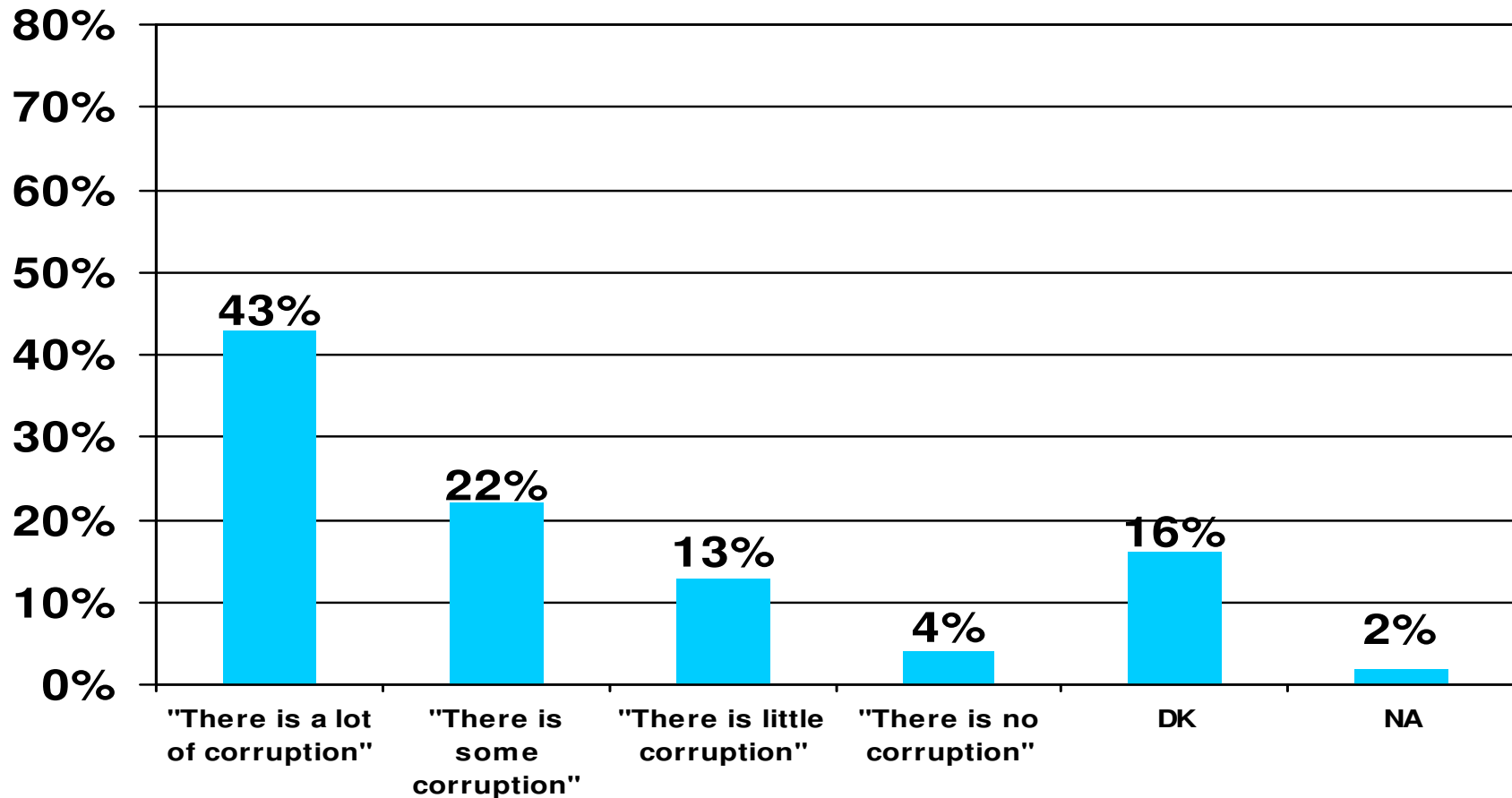


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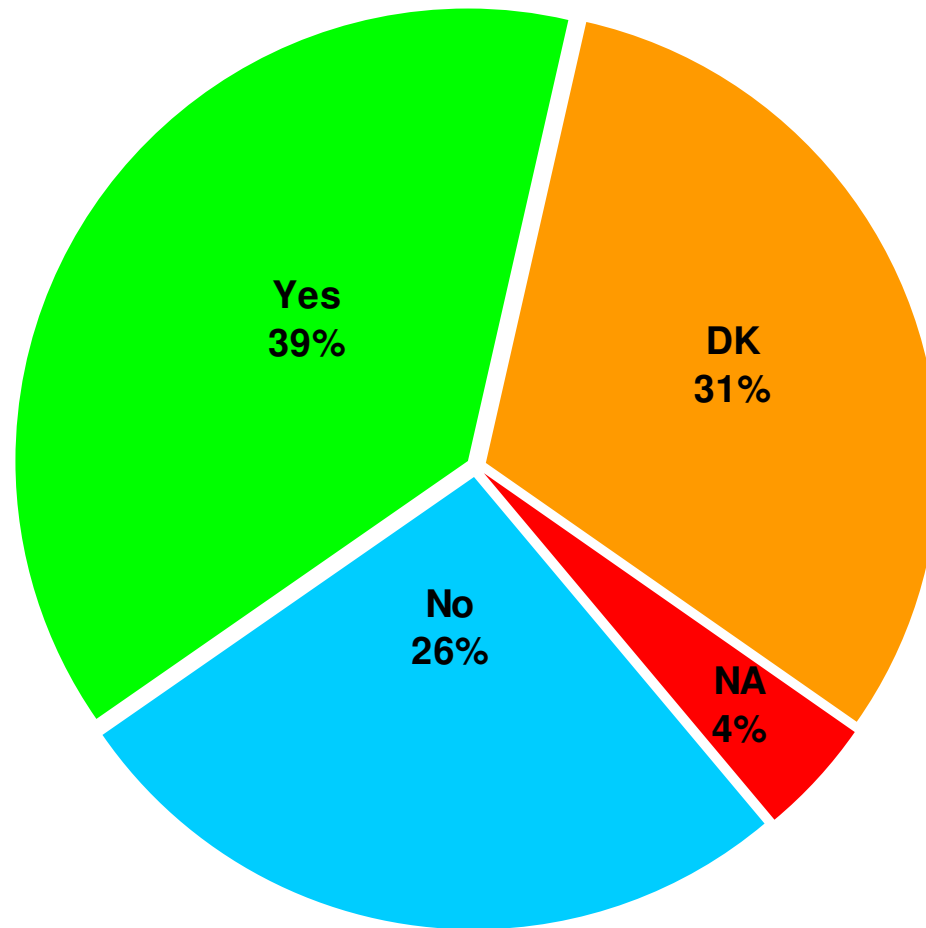
# Which issues should be highest priority in the new Iraqi government?



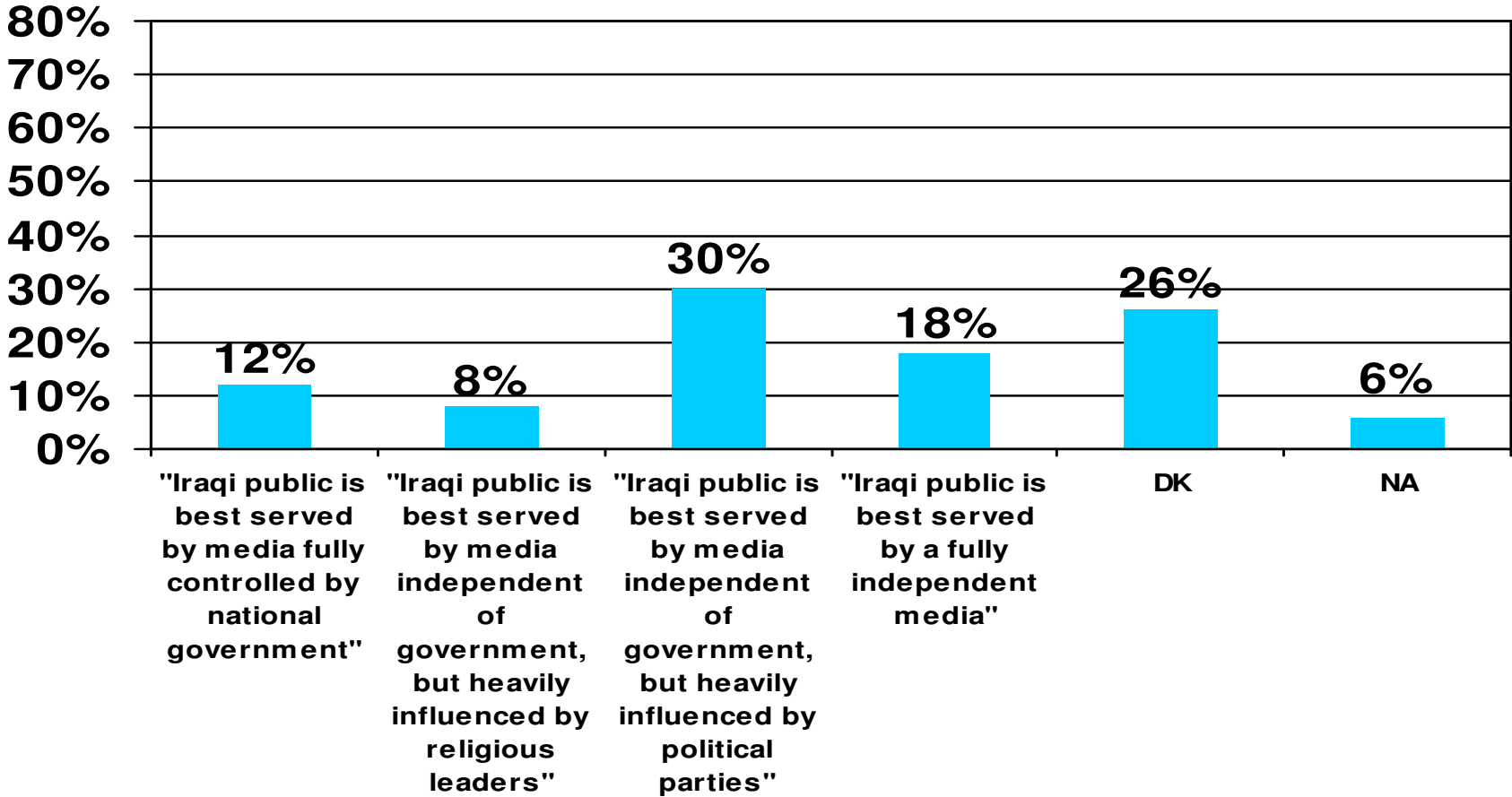
In your opinion, which statement best describes the level of corruption in Iraqi politics and government today?



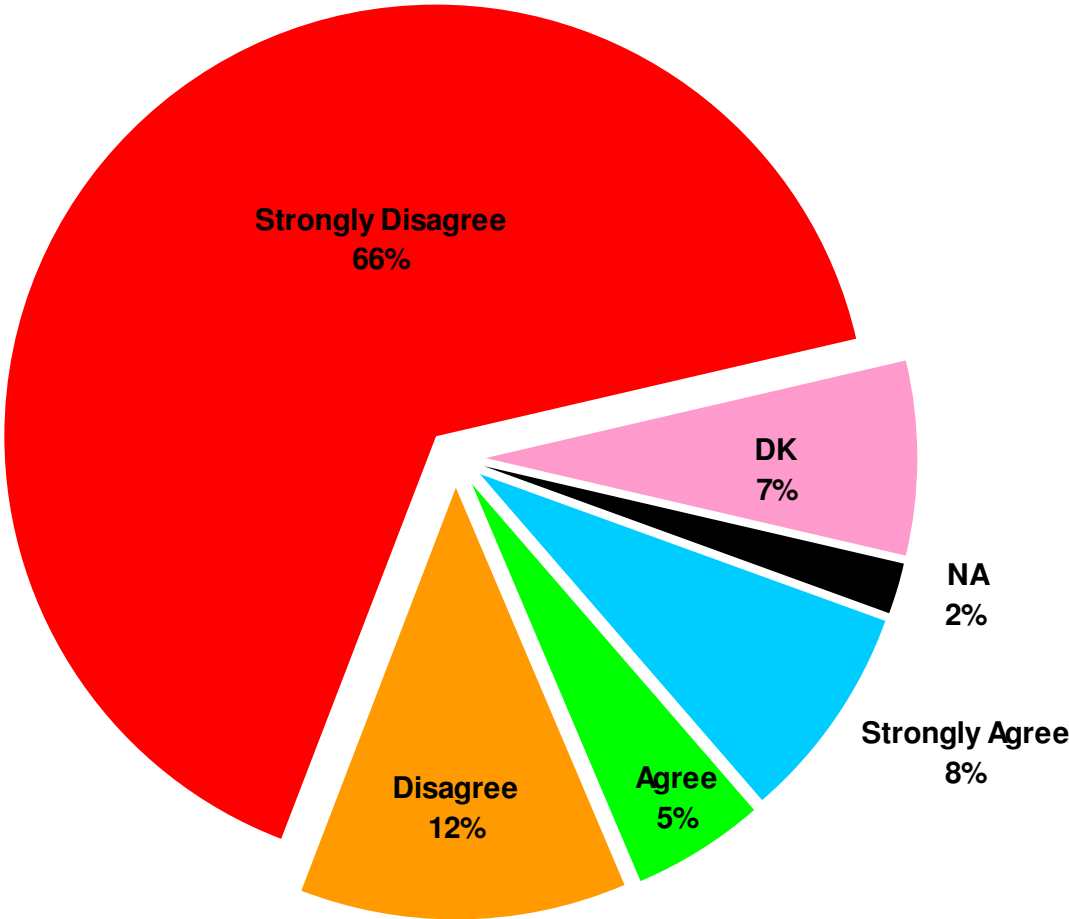
Do you believe the media in Iraq is free from government censorship?



# Which statement best describes your opinion regarding the independence of media in Iraq?

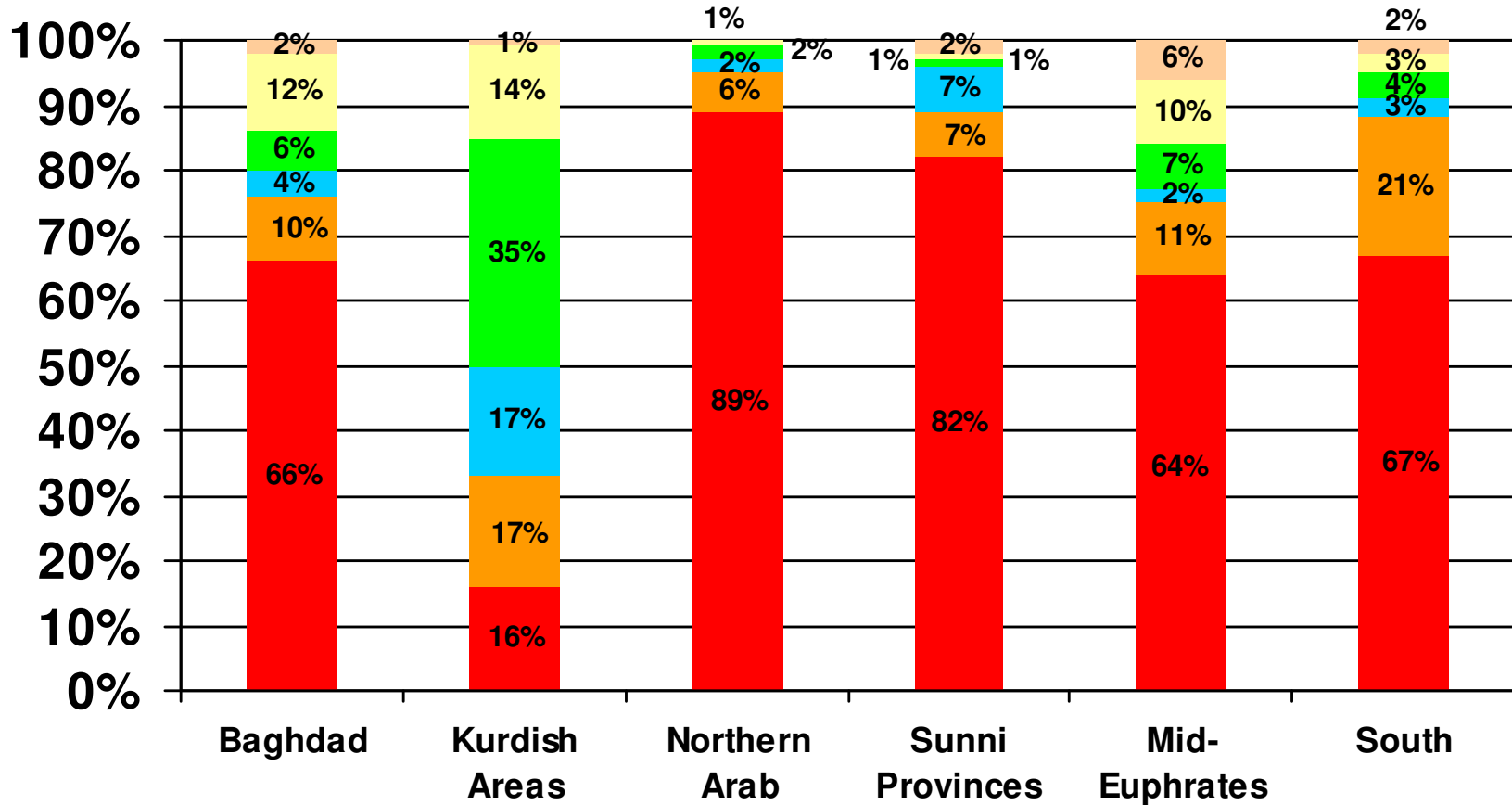


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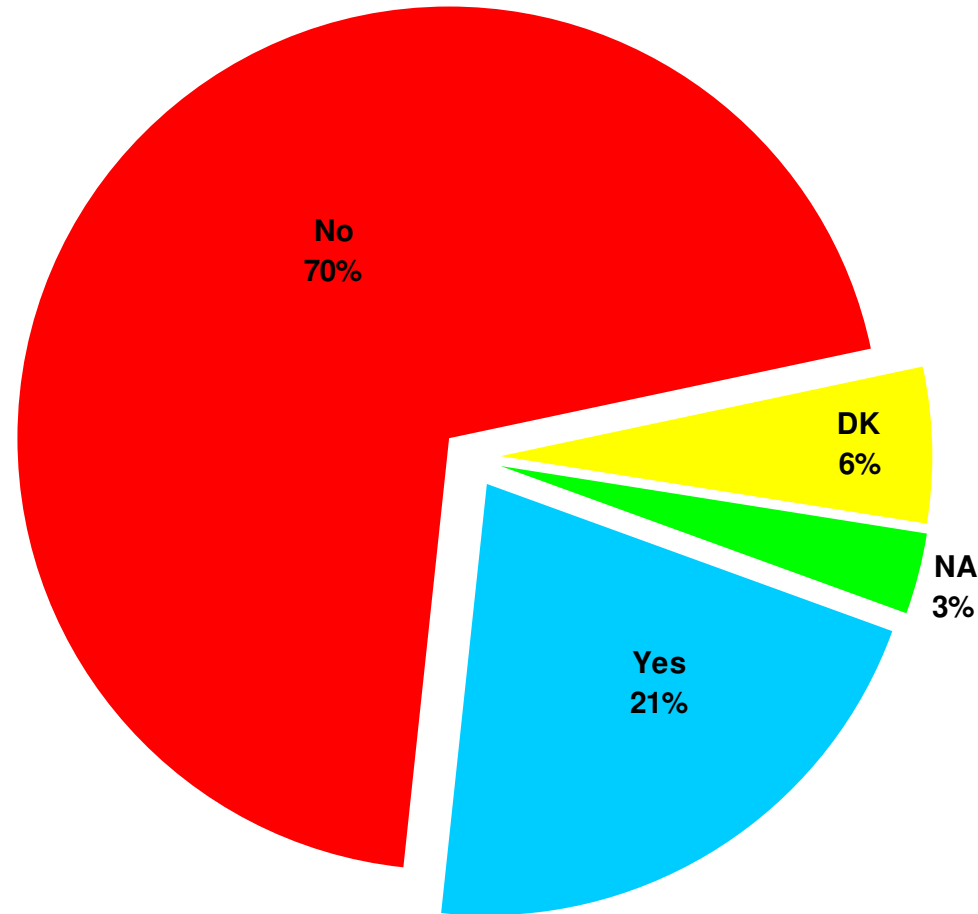




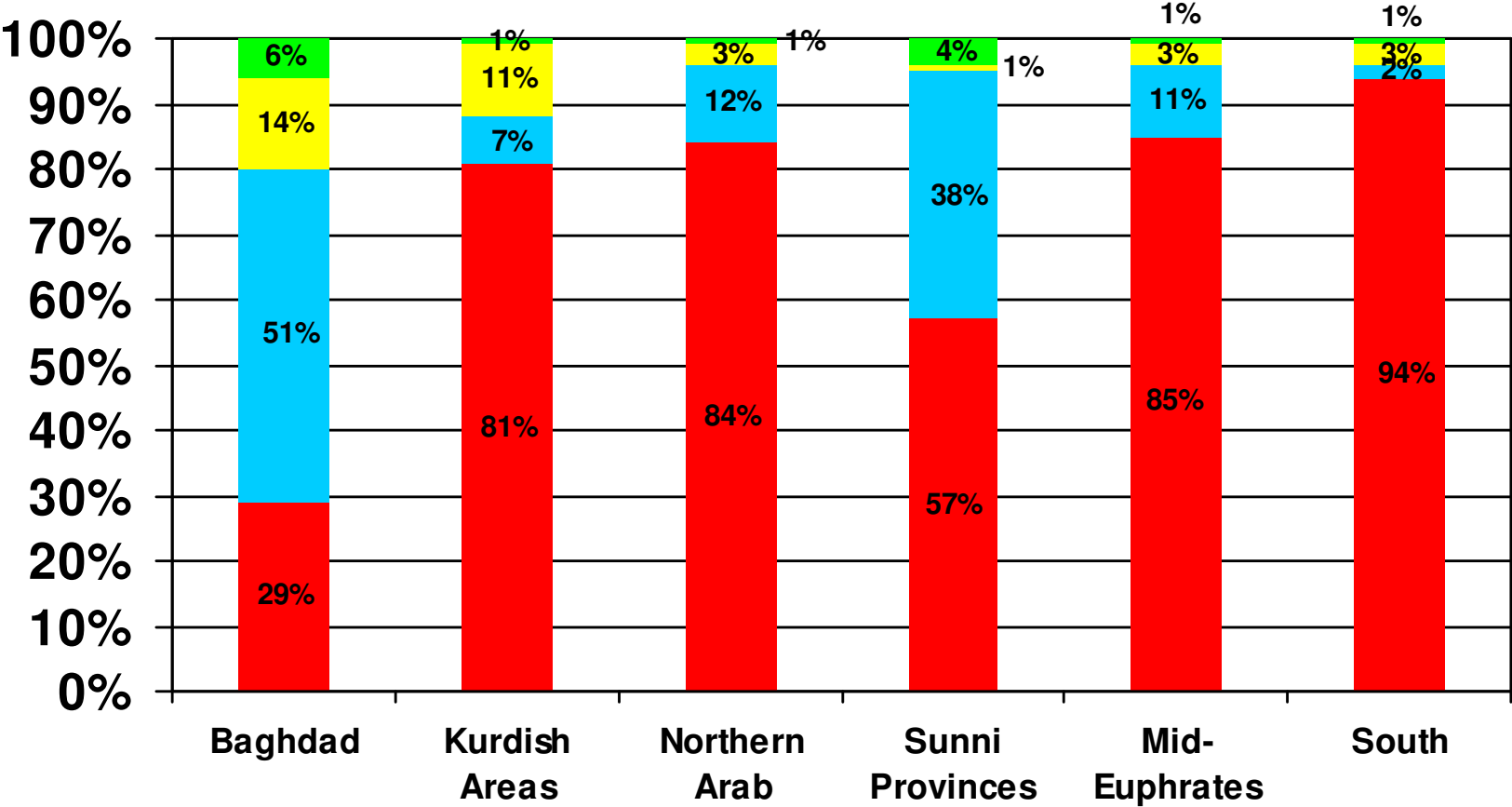
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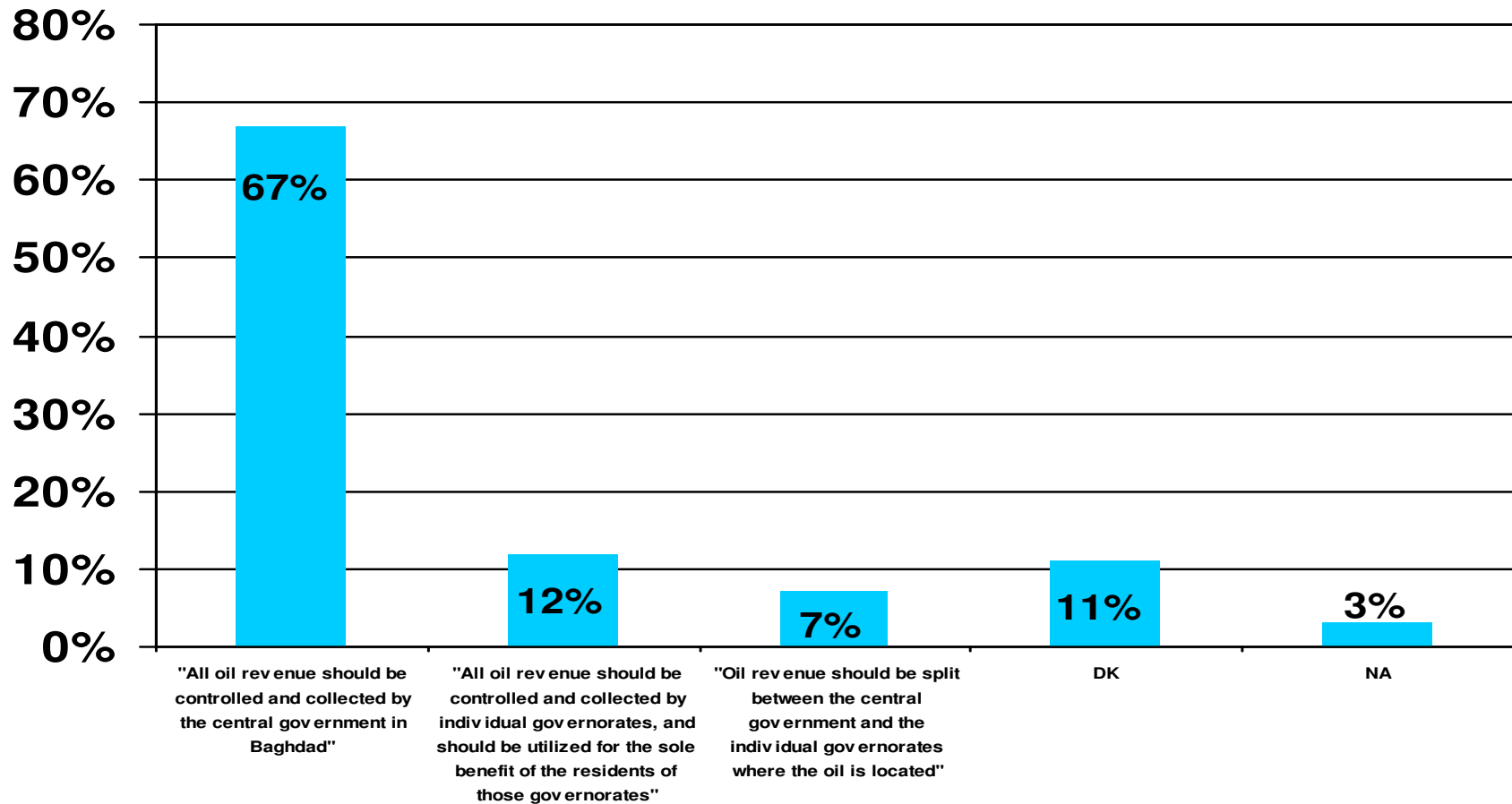
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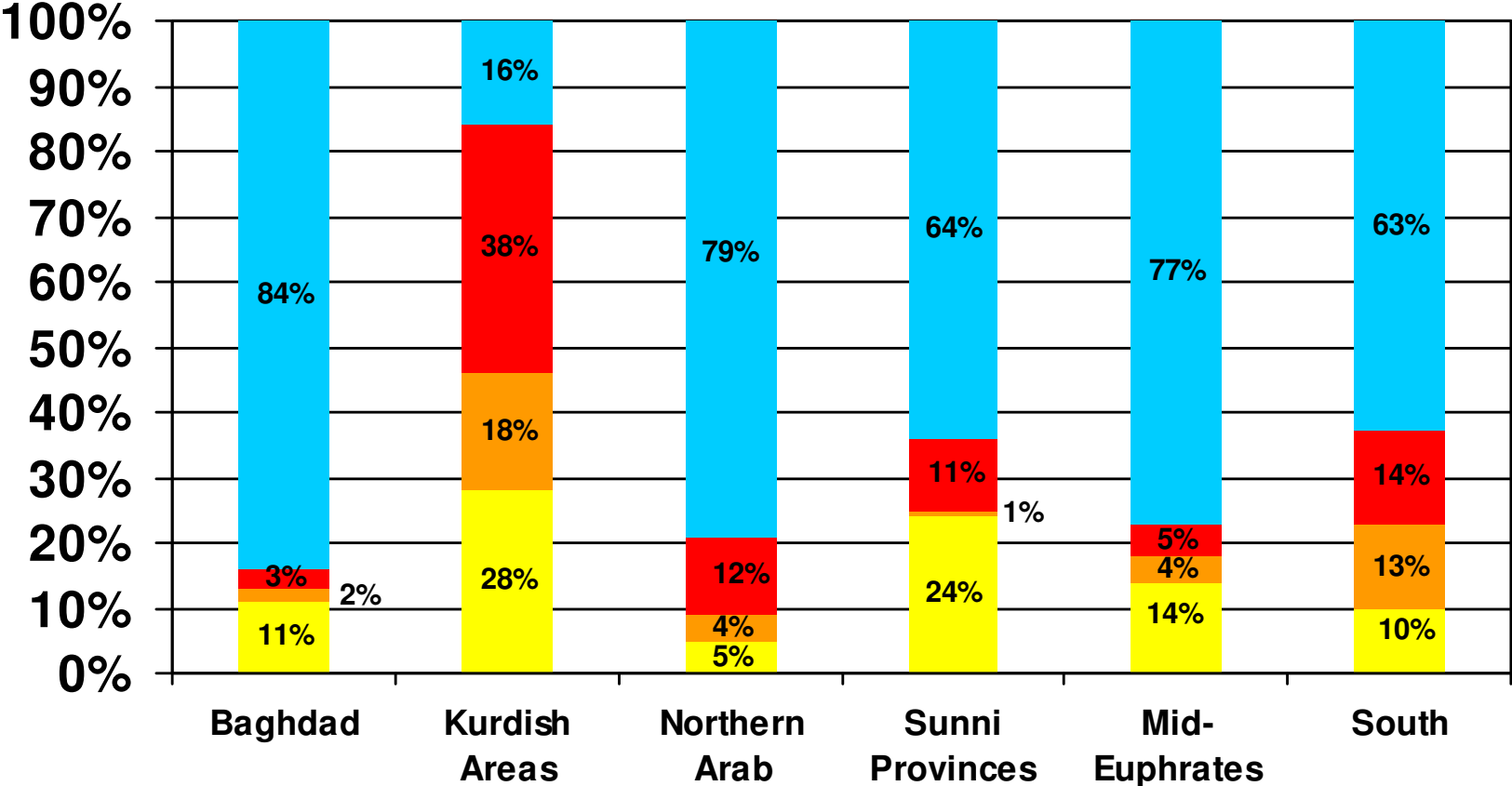
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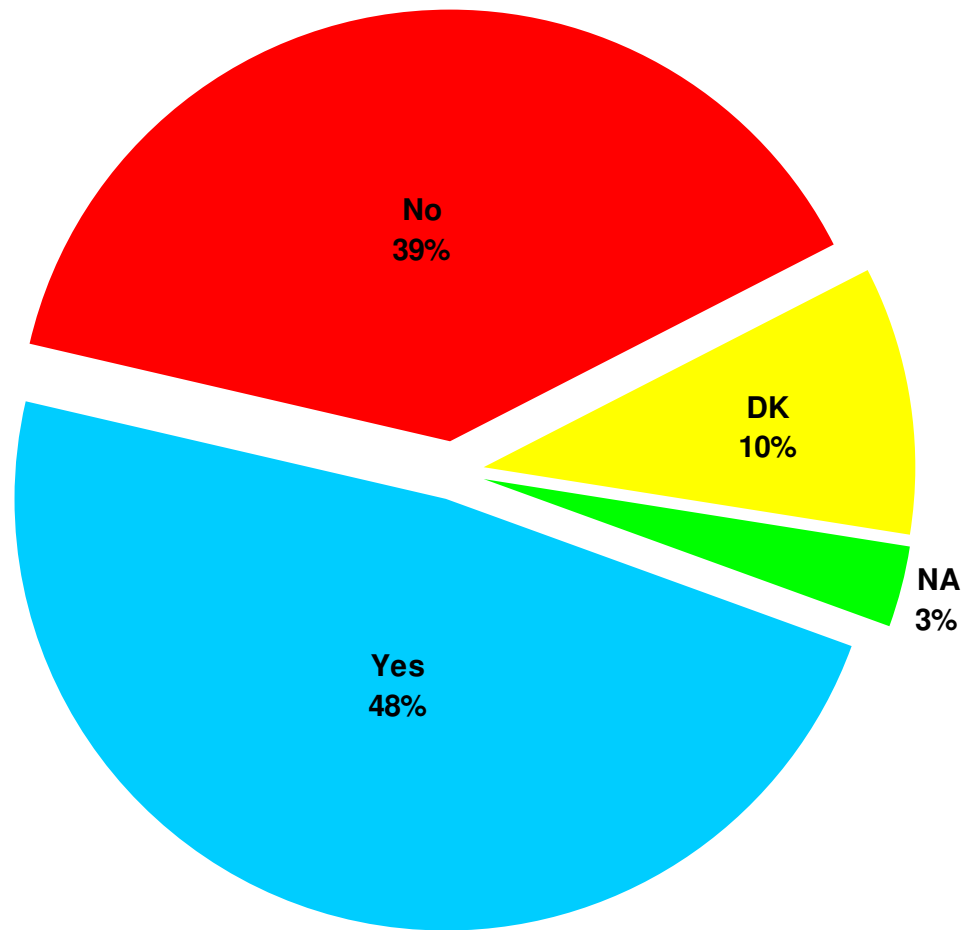


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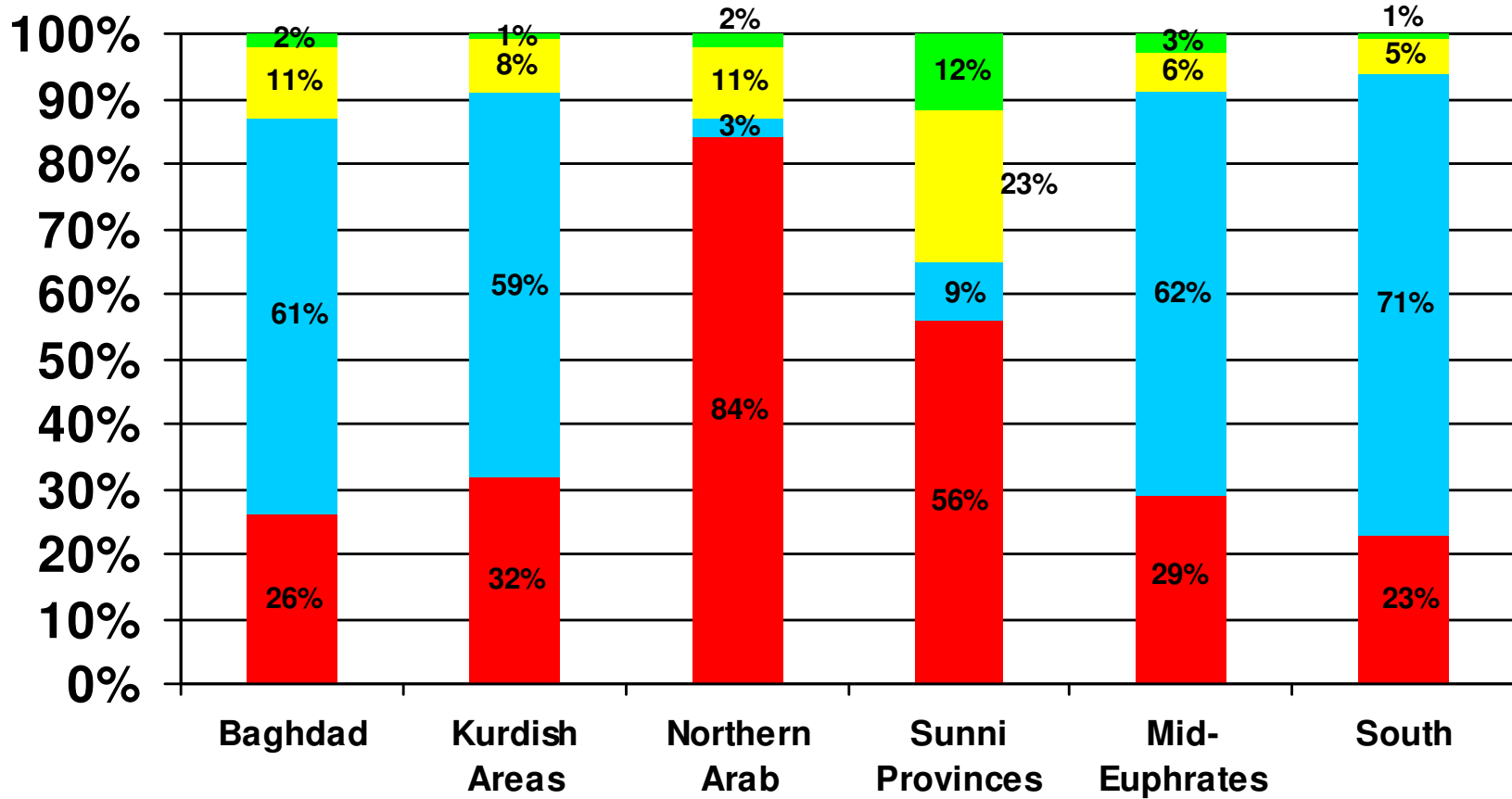


- "Oil revenue should be controlled and collected by the central government in Baghdad"
- "Oil revenue should be controlled and collected by individual governorates, and should be used for the benefit of those governorates"
- "Oil revenue should be split between the central government and the governorate where the oil is located"
- DK/NA

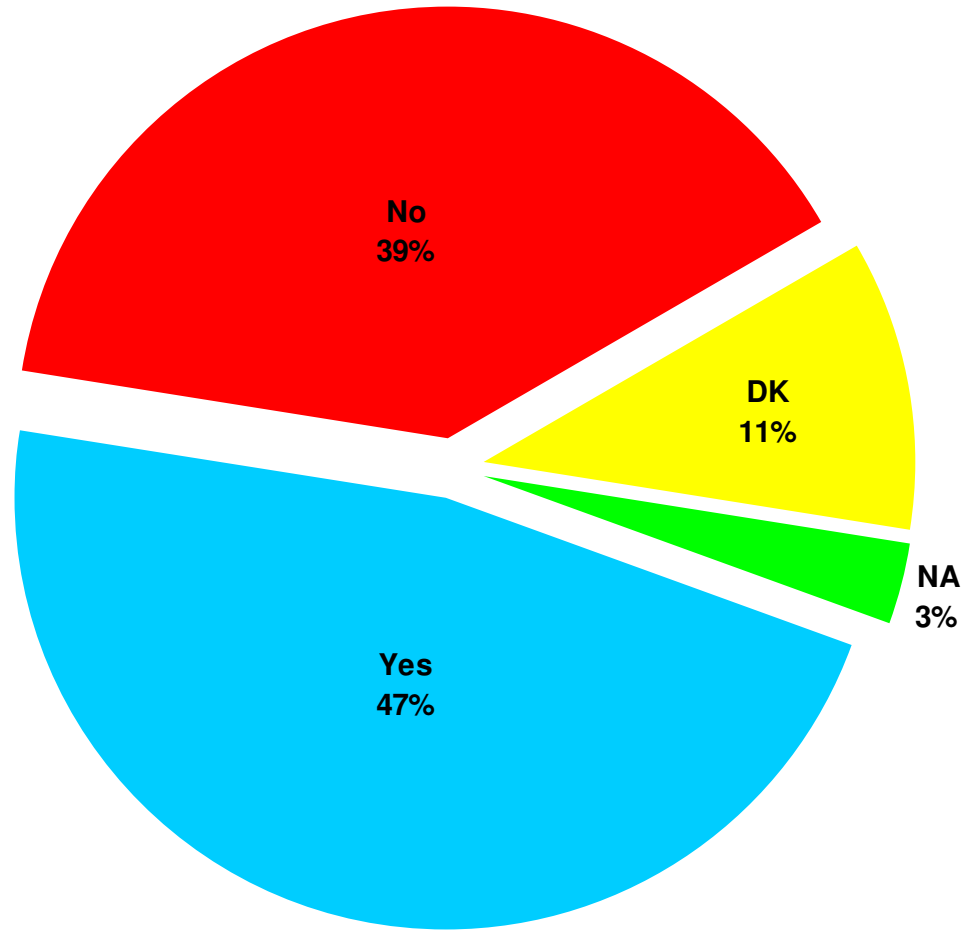
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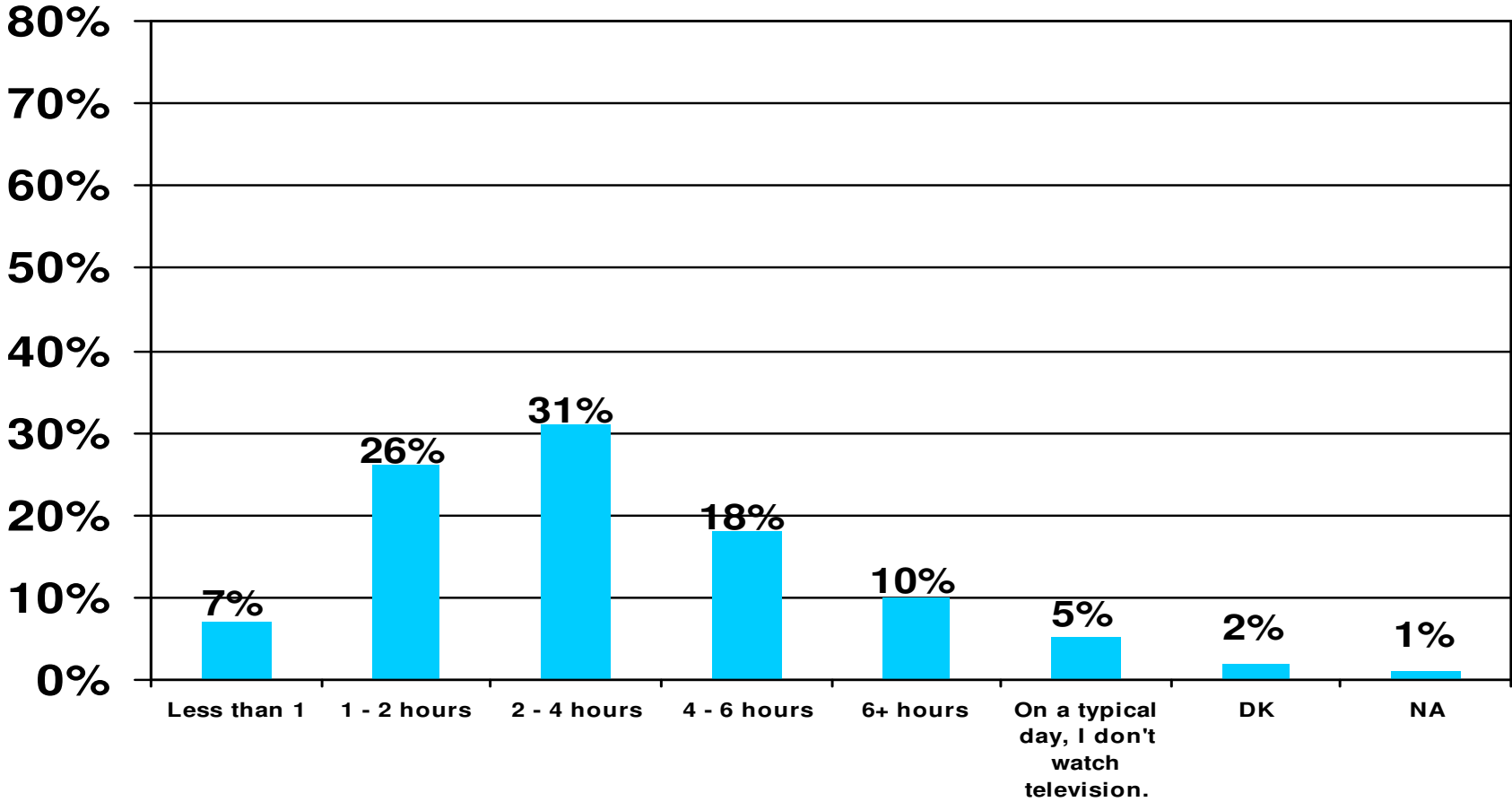


Do you believe that the death of Abu Musab Al-Zarqawi will lead to a decrease in sectarian tension in Iraq?

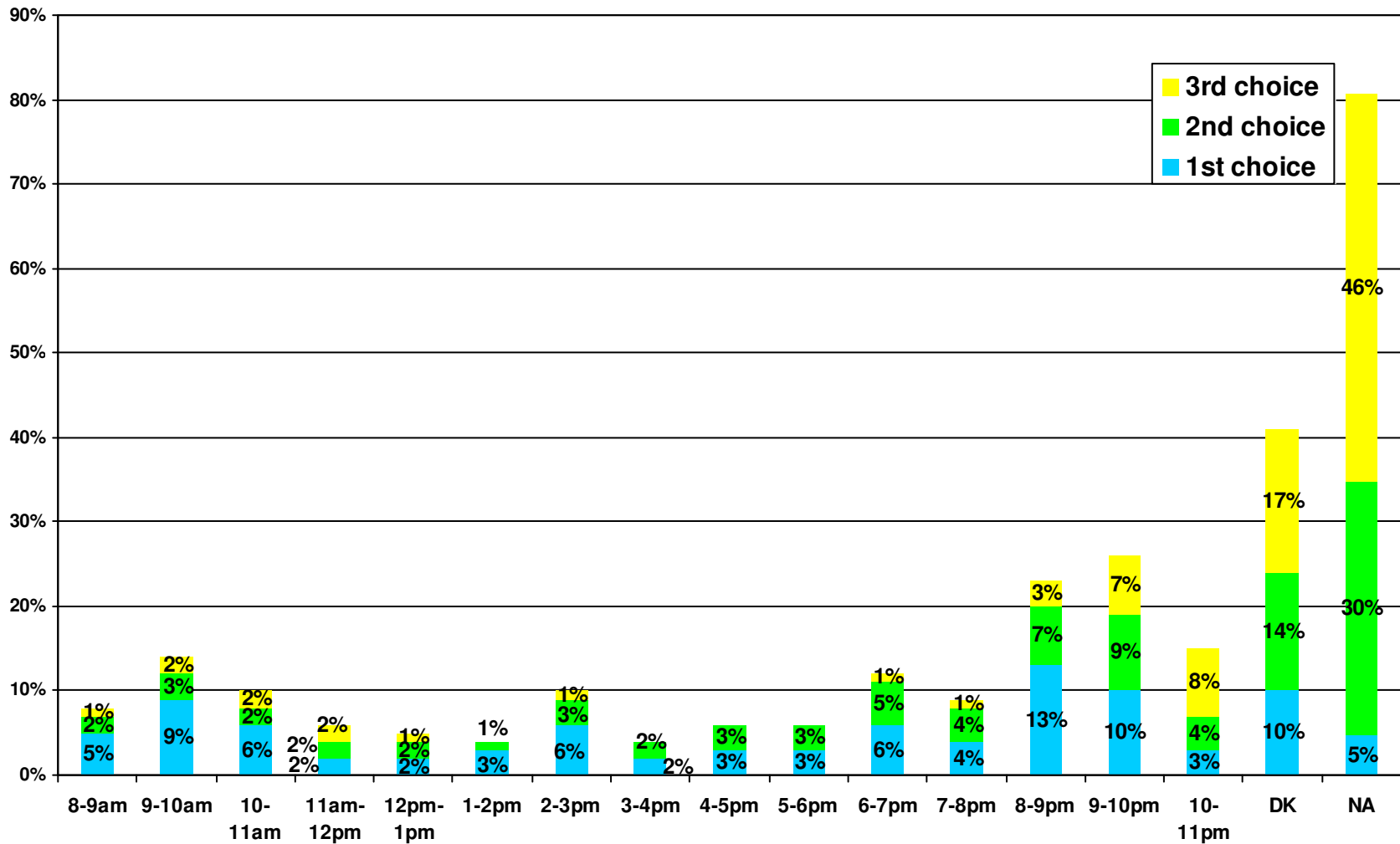




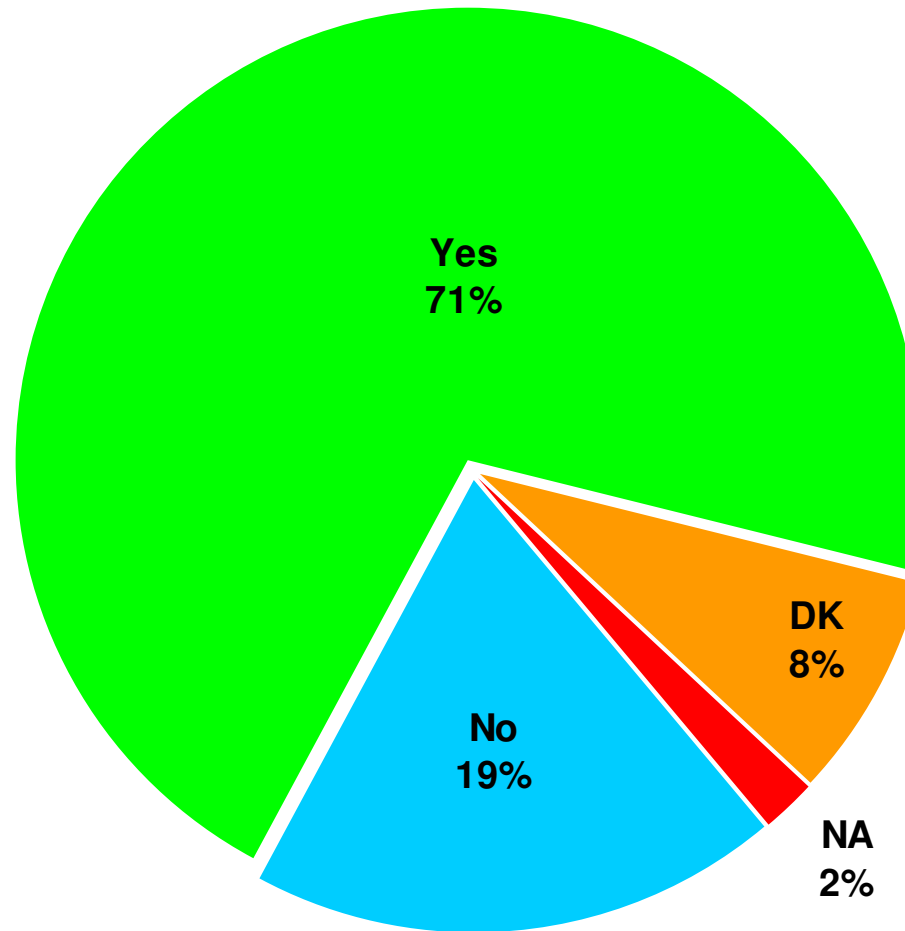
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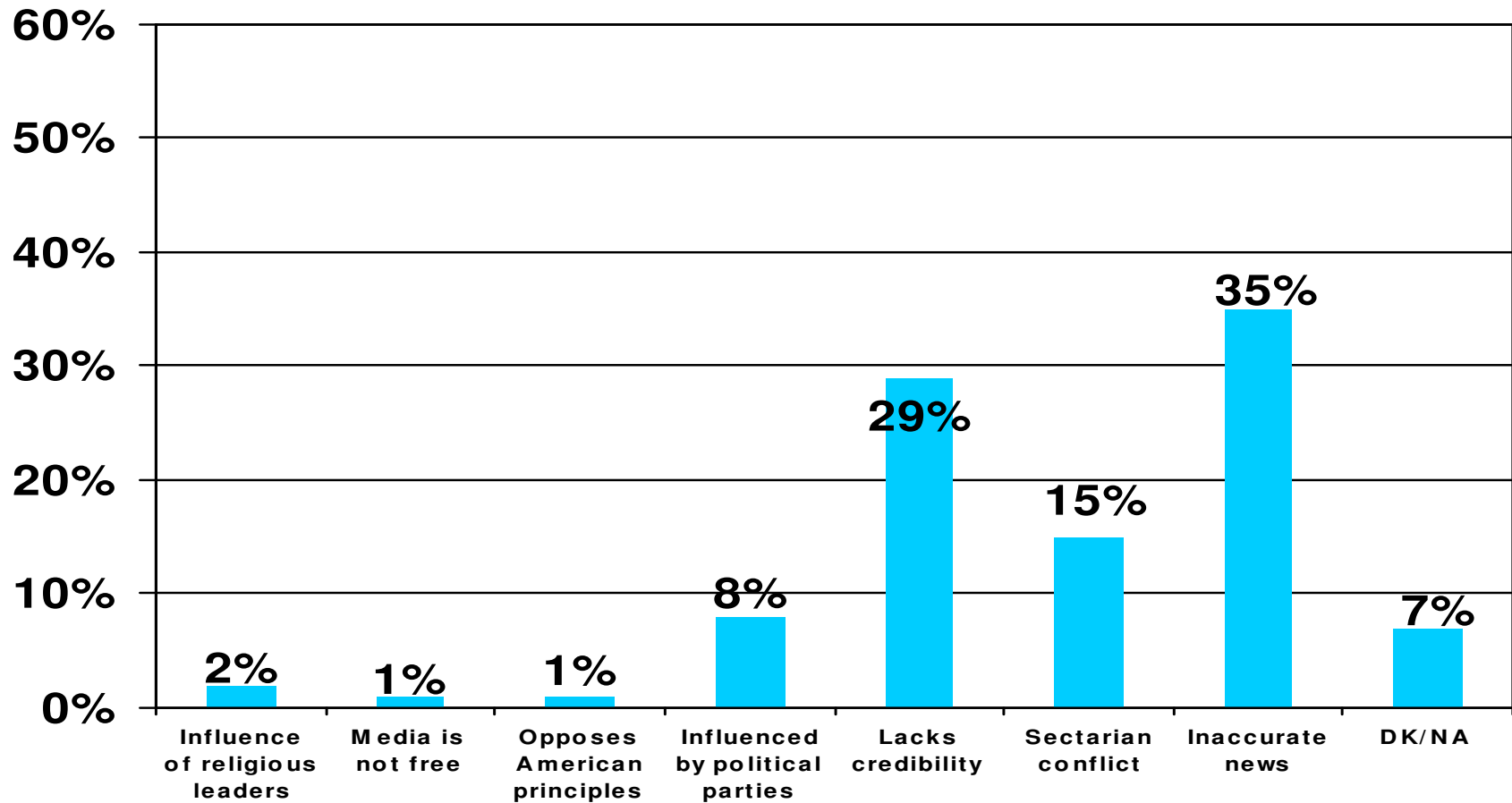
# What time of day are you most likely to watch TV?



# Are you satisfied with the quality of television news in Iraq?



If you are not satisfied with the quality of television news in Iraq, what is the reason?



# What type of programming do you most like to watch?

