



#### **Survey of Iraqi Public Opinion**

October 23 – 30, 2010



- Data collection was performed by trained employees of the International Republican Institute (IRI). The sample frame was based on the latest population estimates by the Iraq Central Organization for Statistics and Information Technology and a 2007-2008 United Nations World Food Program survey. Consultative guidance on fieldwork and analysis was provided by Pechter Middle East Polls of Princeton, New Jersey.
- The target population is Iraqi adults age 18 years and above. A stratified multi-stage sample procedure was used for interviewing. Population within provinces was broken down by districts and geography (urban/rural). Quotas were set by district and by geography within each district.
- Sample starting points were chosen within districts based by either going to the center of the mahala or to the largest mosque and dropping a pen or pencil on the ground and spinning it. The direction in which the pen/pencil pointed was the direction that the interviewing started. Every fourth dwelling on the left side of the nearest street was sampled until the quota was met. The Kish table method was used for actual respondent selection within each household.
- A total of 2,990 interviews were completed, with a response rate of 88 percent nationally. The margin of error is plus or minus 1.77 percent overall. Quotas were set by province to allow for provincial analysis and all 2,990 interviews have been weighted proportionally by province, region, gender, ethnicity and religion.
- Interviews were conducted between October 23 30, 2010.

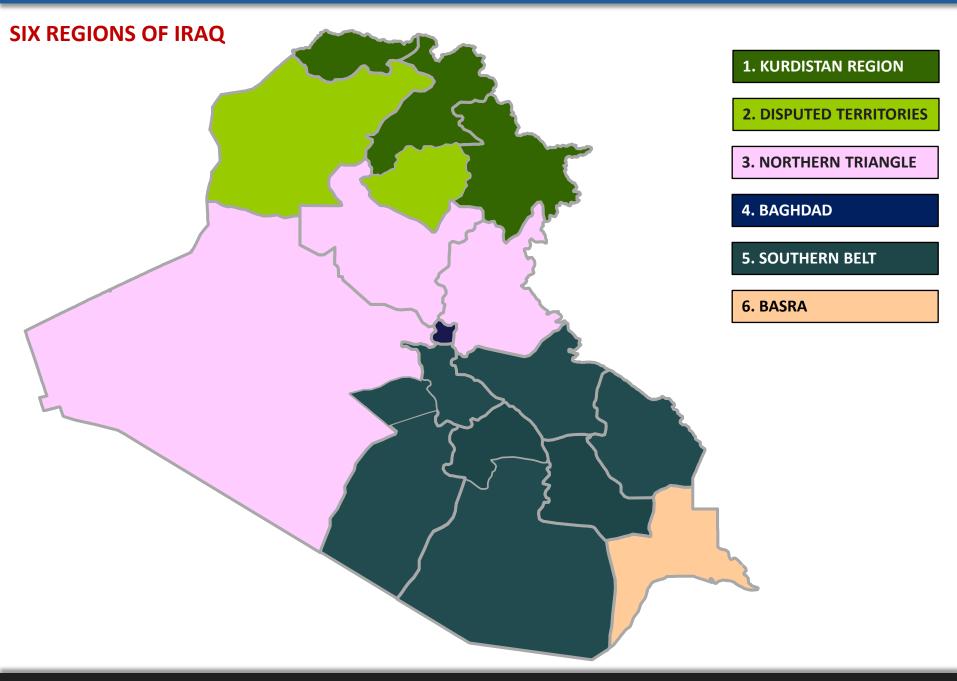
- After the data was collected (2,990 interviews), provincial results were weighted in proportion to the national population. For example, Anbar represents 4.2 percent of the registered voters in Iraq; therefore the 176 interviews collected from Anbar were weighted to 4.2 percent of all interviews. Similar weighting was applied to each province to ensure that data are consistent with actual registered voter estimates and previous surveys.
- Gender in the survey was 72 percent male and 28 percent female. Gender was weighted to reflect the actual numbers in Iraq: 51 percent male and 49 percent female.
- In addition, weighting was applied to the Shia Arabs, Sunni Arabs and Kurd samples to reflect their estimated numbers in the population: 63 percent, 15 percent and 19 percent, respectively.
- Verification was performed on 10 percent of the sample, either by actual observation or through follow-up interviews.
- Figures in charts and tables may not sum to 100 percent due to rounding error; in all cases where Don't know/Refuse to Answer rates are more than 10 percent, the information is displayed.
- When results are broken down by region, gender or religion, the percentage of the total sample is displayed.
- The information in this report has been compiled in accordance with international standards for market and social research methodologies.

The survey analyzes data in six regions, as well as individual provinces:

Region	Governorates	Sample Size / Margin of Error		
NATIONAL	ALL	2,990 (2,991 weighted) / 1.79		
1. Kurdistan Region	Erbil, Sulaymaniya, Dahuk	398 (409 weighted) / 4.91		
	Erbil	142 (146 weighted) / 8.22		
	Sulaymaniya	172 (173 weighted) / 7.47		
	Dahuk	84 (90 weighted) / 10.69		
2. Disputed Territories	Ninawa and Kirkuk	384 (394 weighted) / 5.00		
	Ninawa	261 (269 weighted) / 6.07		
	Kirkuk	123 (125 weighted) / 8.84		
3. Northern Triangle	Anbar, Salahhadin, Diyala	392 (367 weighted)/ 4.95		
	Anbar	176 (125 weighted) / 7.39		
	Salahhadin	94 (111 weighted) / 10.11		
	Diyala	122 (131 weighted) / 8.87		

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Region	Governorates	Sample Size / Margin of Error		
4. Baghdad	Governorate and Municipality	702 (726 weighted) / 3.70		
5. Southern Belt	Babil, Karbala, Najaf, Maysan, Muthanna, Qadisiya, Dhi Qar, Wasit	849 (862 weighted) / 3.36		
	Babil	158 (152 weighted)/ 7.80		
	Karbala	88 (90 weighted) / 10.45		
	Najaf	113 (111 weighted) / 9.22		
	Maysan	88 (90 weighted) / 10.45		
	Muthanna	58 (60 weighted) / 12.87		
	Qadisiya	97 (99 weighted) / 9.95		
	Dhi Qar	155 (158 weighted) / 7.87		
	Wassit	92 (102 weighted) / 10.22		
6. Basra	Governorate and Municipality	221 (233 weighted) / 6.59		



#### **SURVEY DEMOGRAPHICS**

**Actual Poll Percentages Unweighted** 

Male/Female	Percent		
Male	72%		
Female	28%		

Religion	Percent		
Sunni Muslim	34%		
Shia Muslim	45%		
Christian	2%		
Yezidi	2%		
Other/Refused to Answer	17%		

Education	Percent		
Illiterate/No Formal Education	7%		
Elementary/Intermediate	41%		
Secondary/Diploma	23%		
Higher than 13+	29%		

Ethnicity	Percent		
Arab	78%		
Kurd	18%		
Turkmen	3%		
Other/Refused to Answer	1%		

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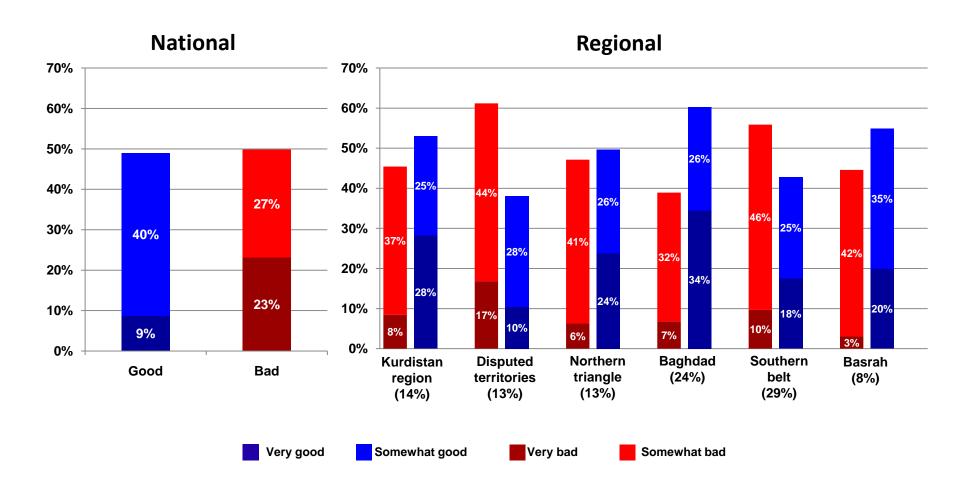
#### Regional Break Down by Ethnicity/Religion

Region	Sunni Arab	Shia Arab	Kurd	Other	Refused
National	20%	44%	17%	15%	5%
Kurdistan Region	5%	1%	90%	3%	0%
Disputed Territories	41%	7%	24%	27%	2%
Northern Triangle	44%	22%	6%	19%	9%
Baghdad	23%	52%	2%	12%	10%
Southern Belt	5%	84%	2%	7%	3%
Basra	14%	41%	0%	44%	1%

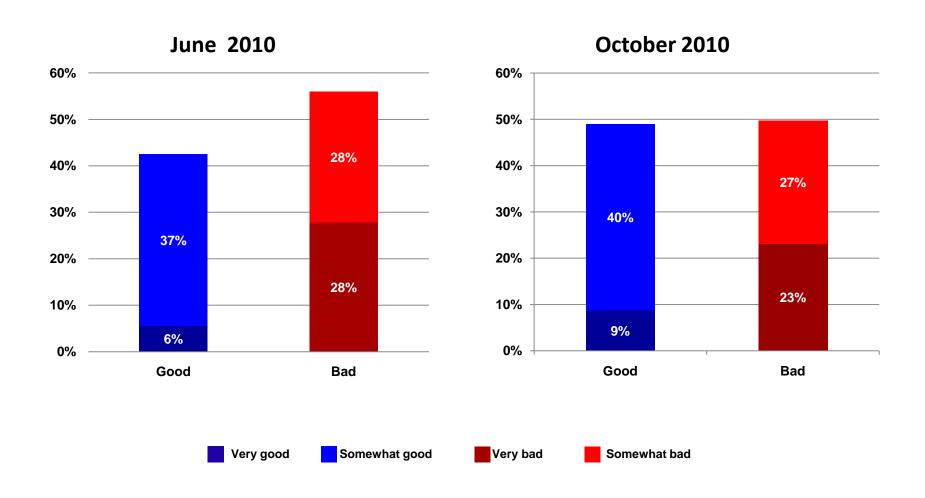
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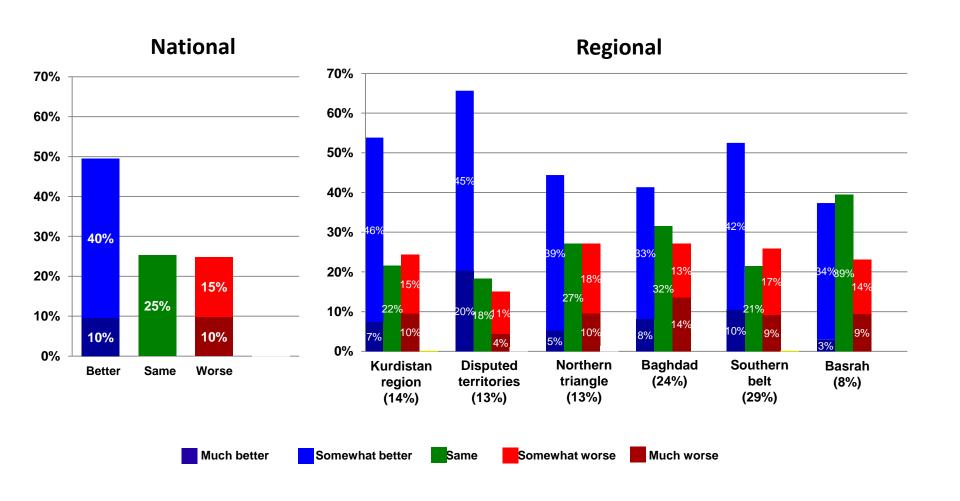
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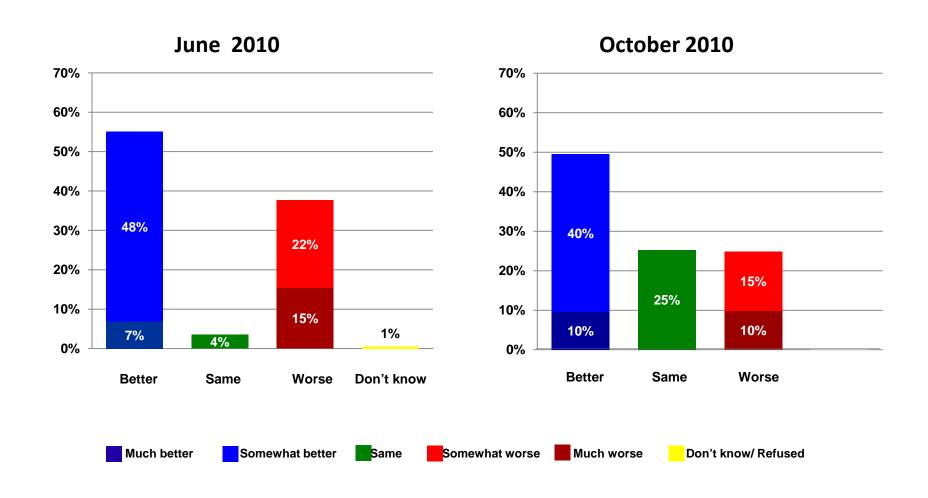
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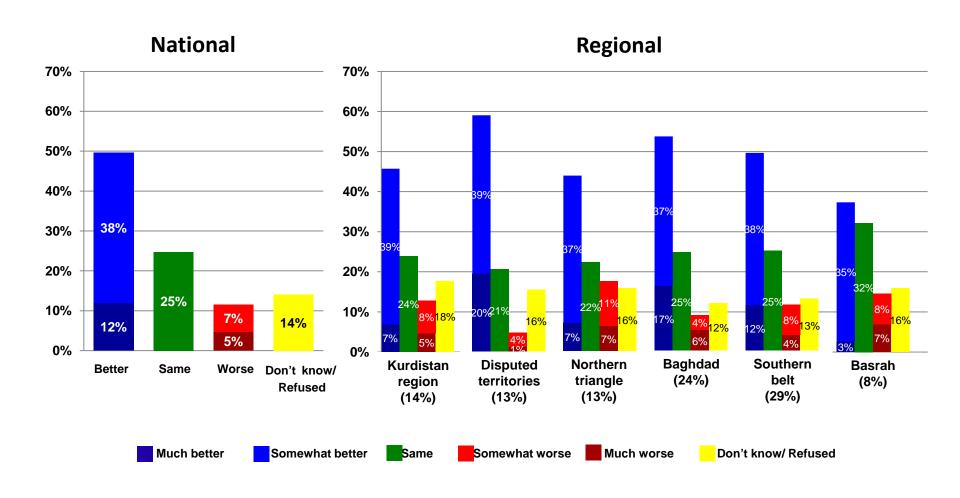
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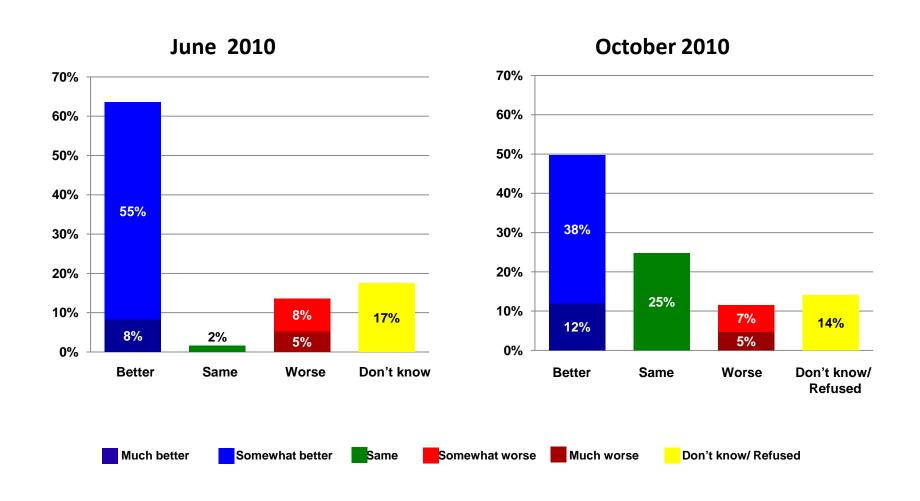
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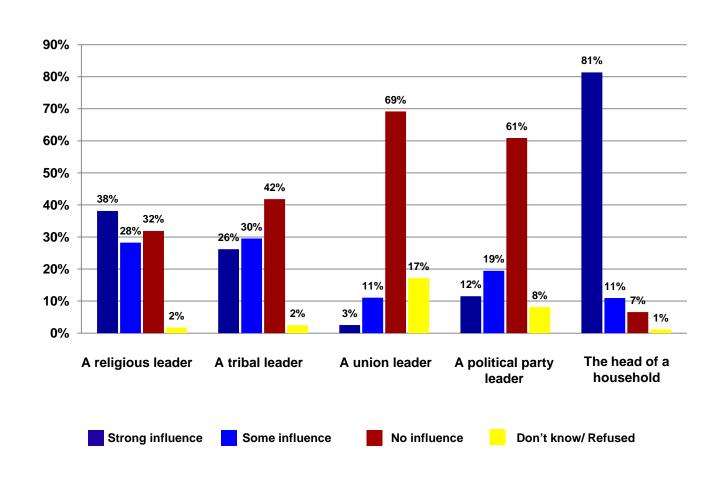
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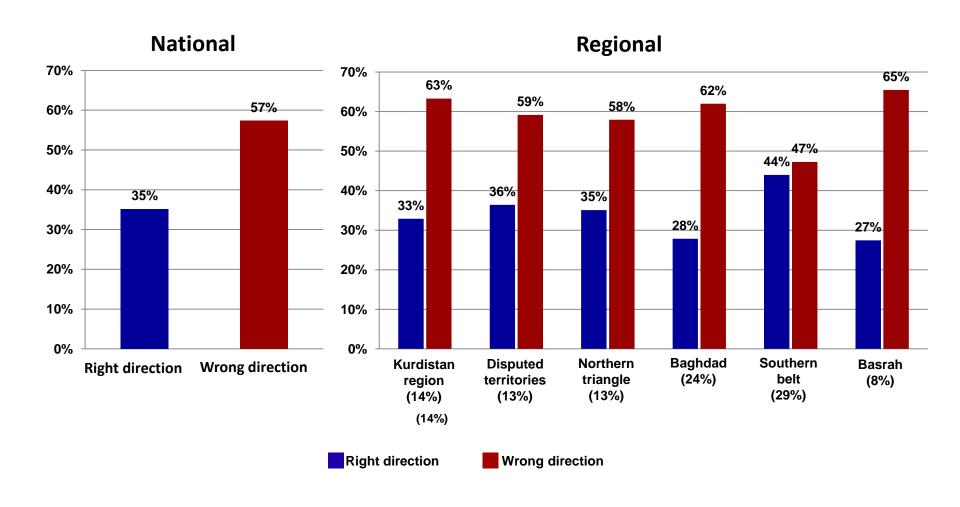
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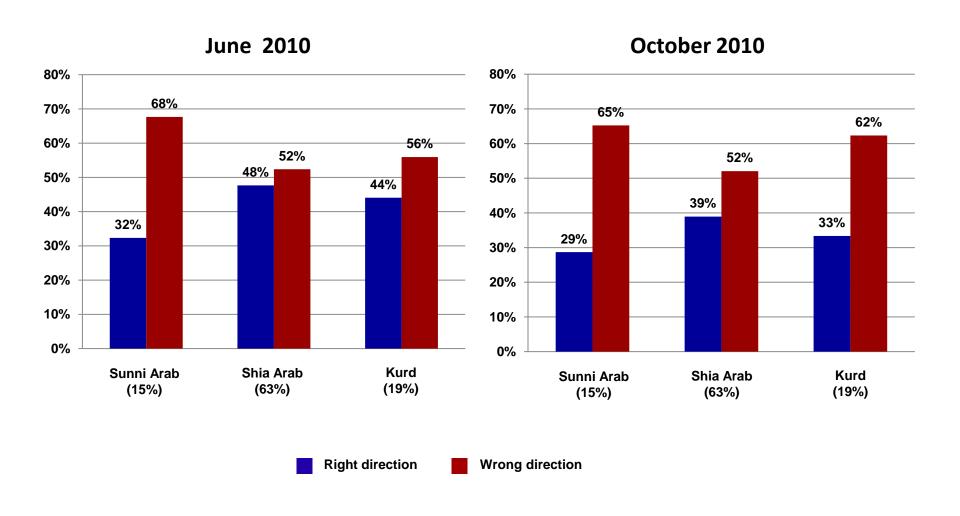


### In your opinion, would you say things in Iraq are going in the right direction or in the wrong direction?

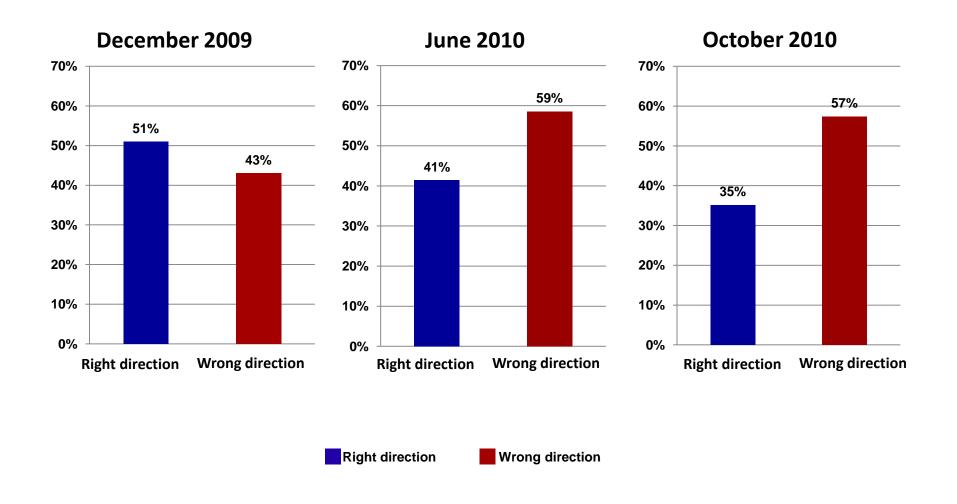


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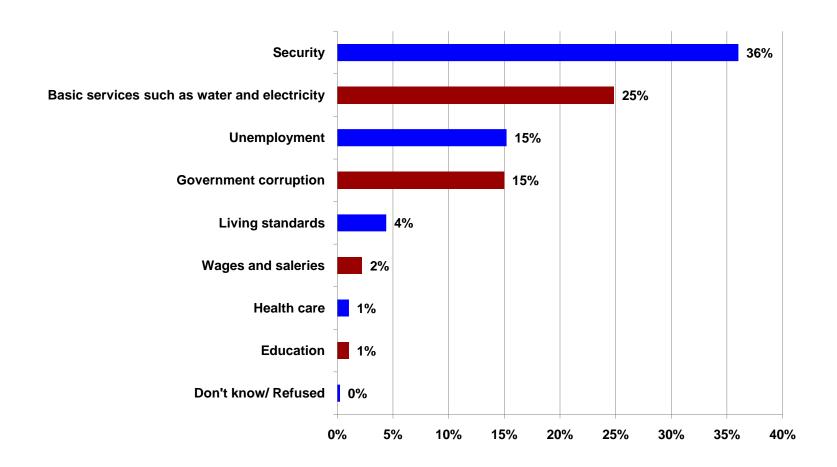
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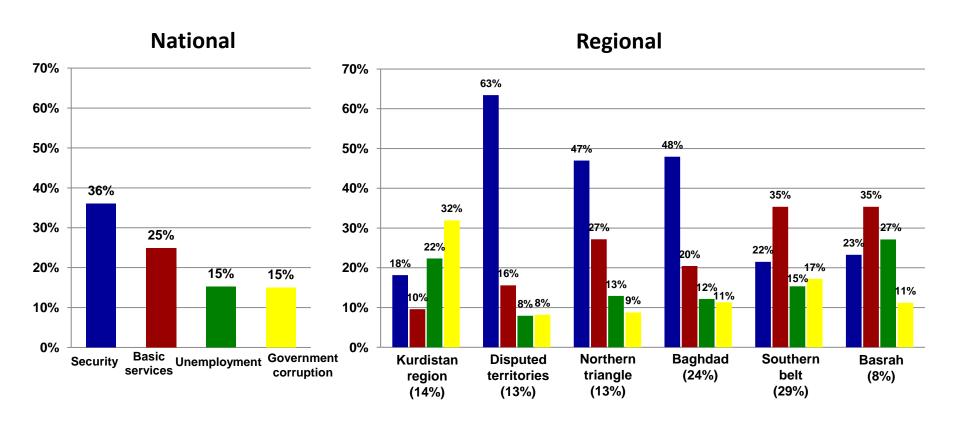
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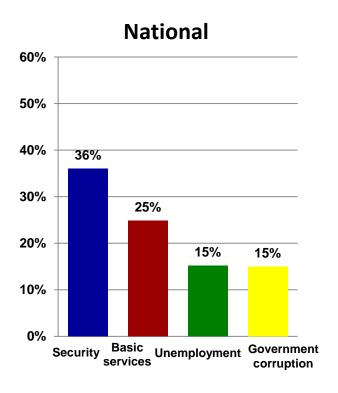
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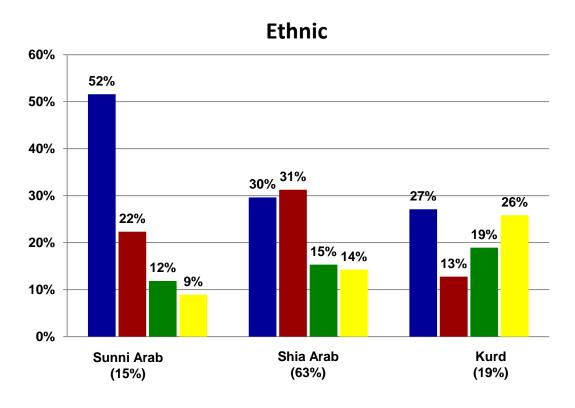


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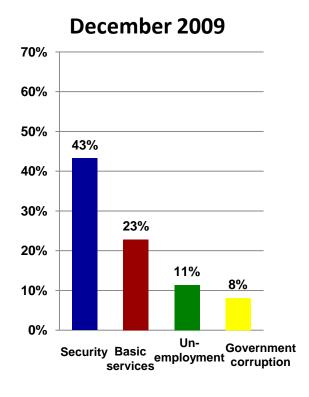


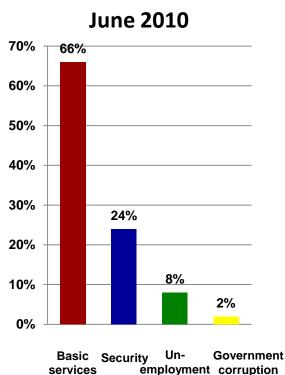
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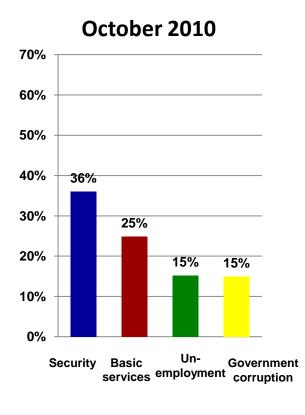




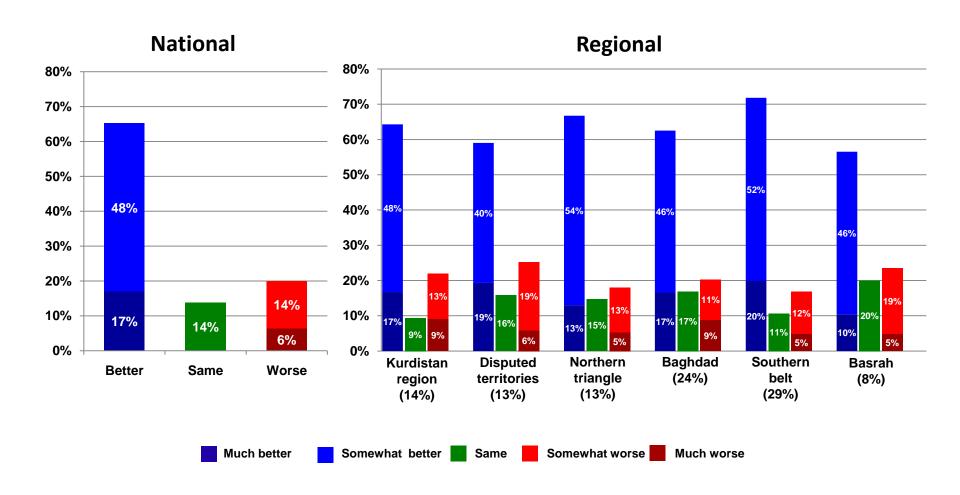
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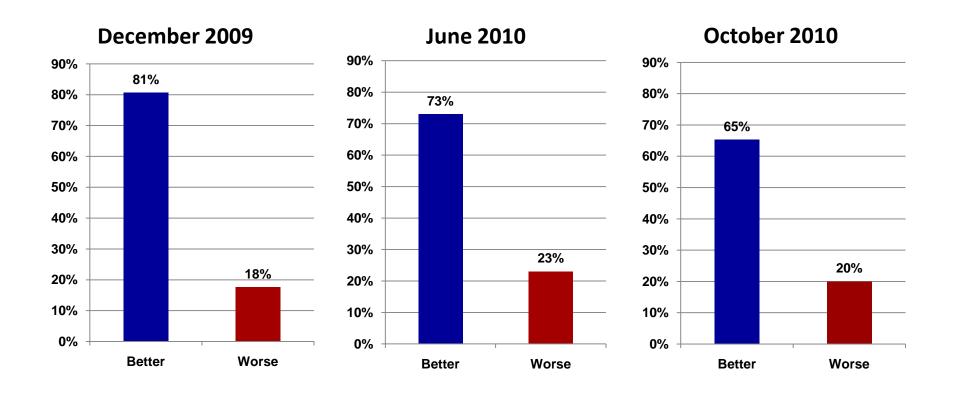




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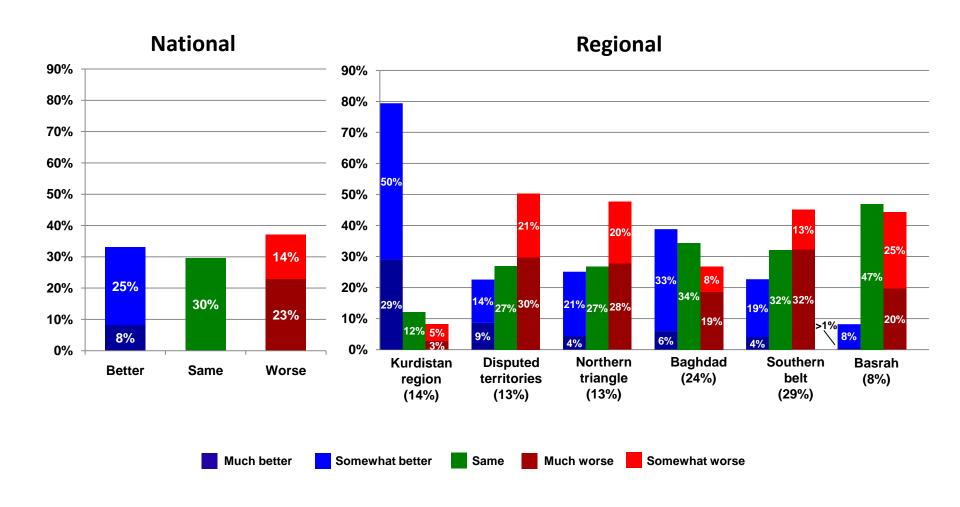
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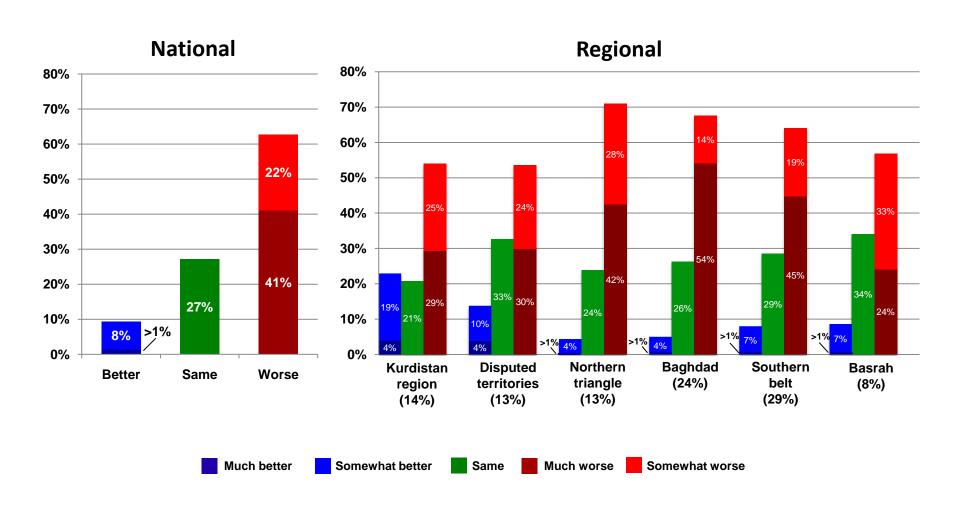
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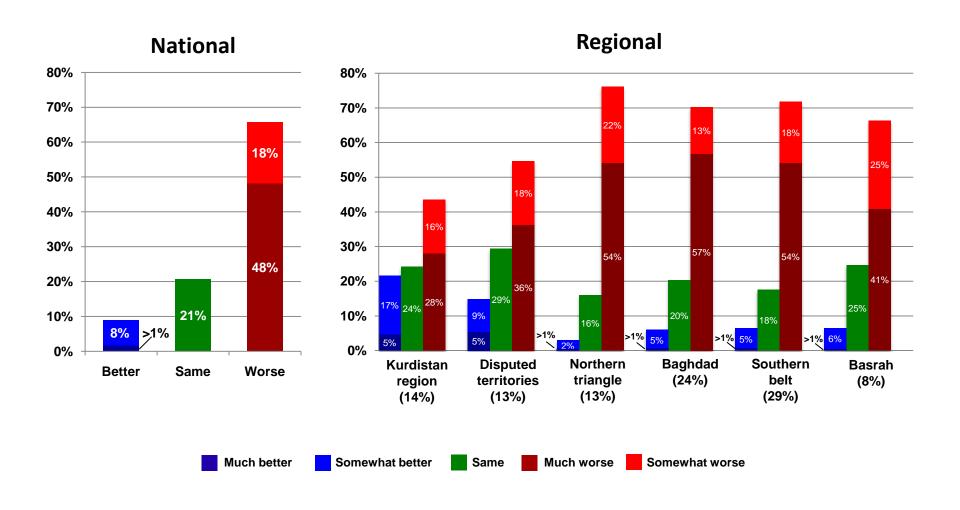
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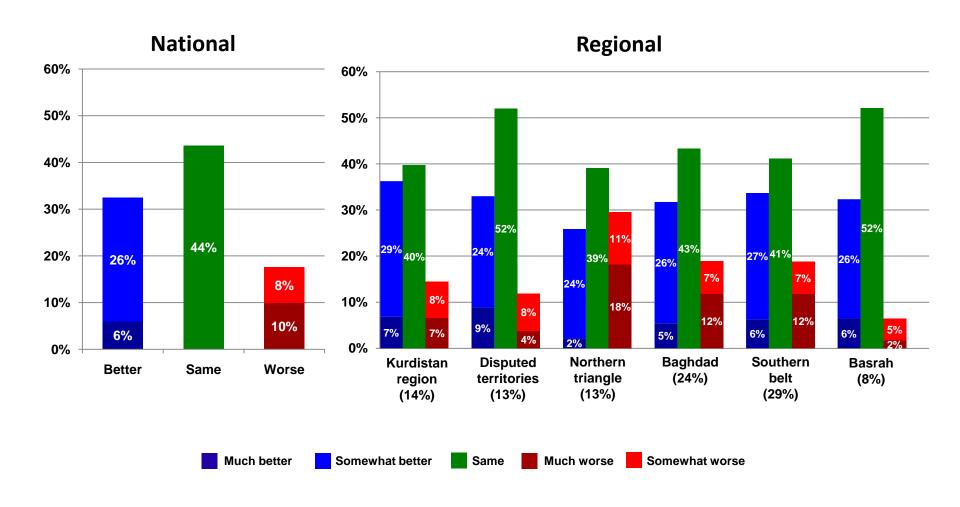
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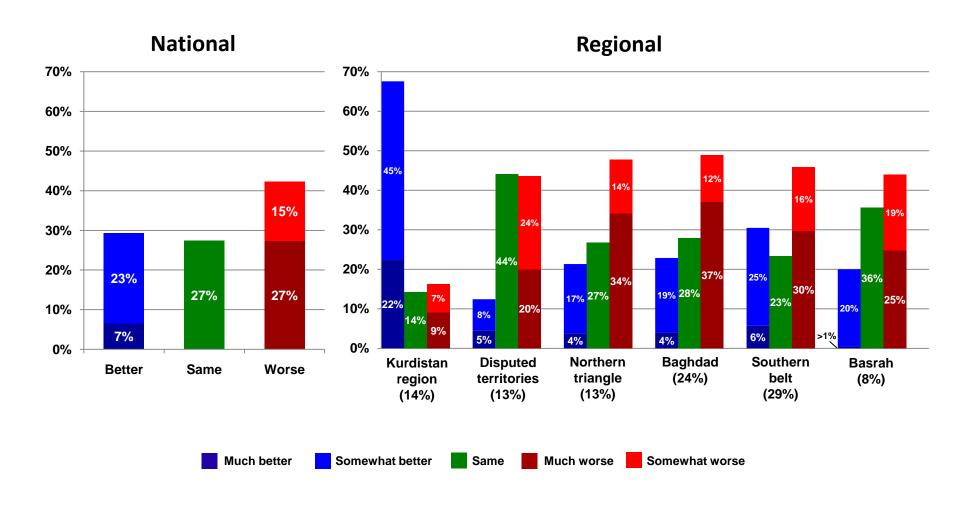
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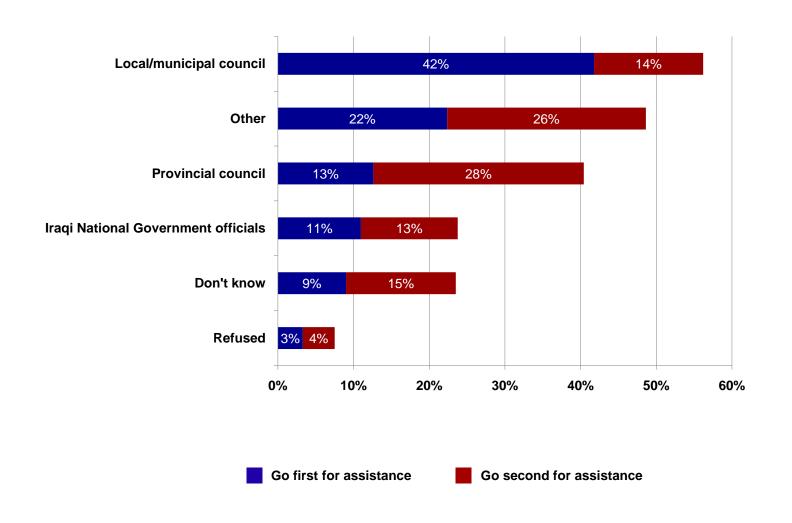
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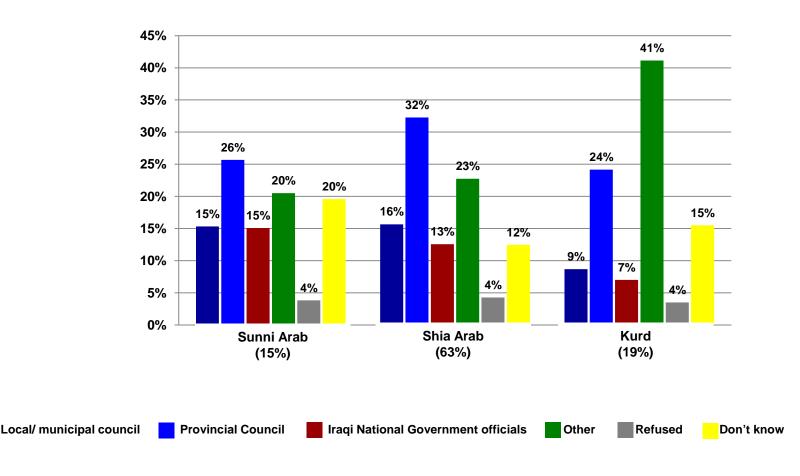
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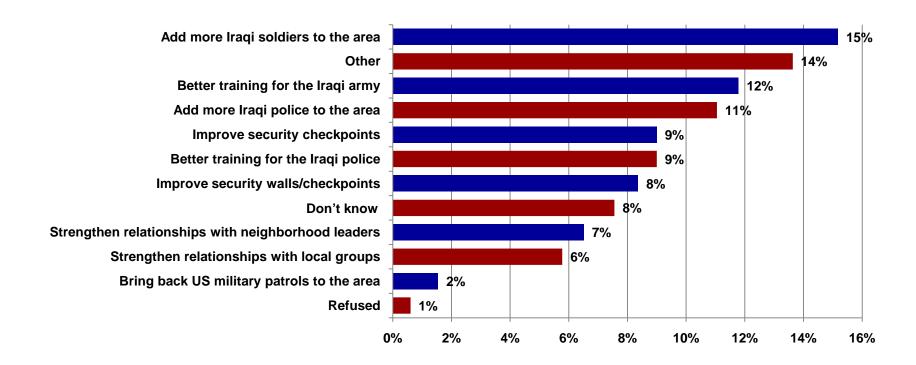
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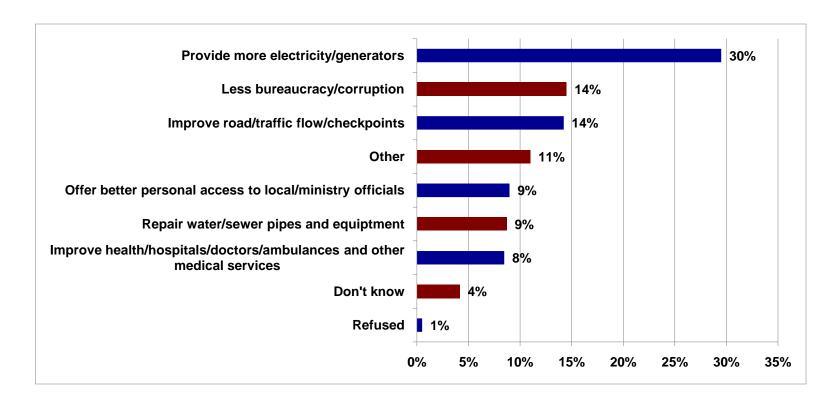
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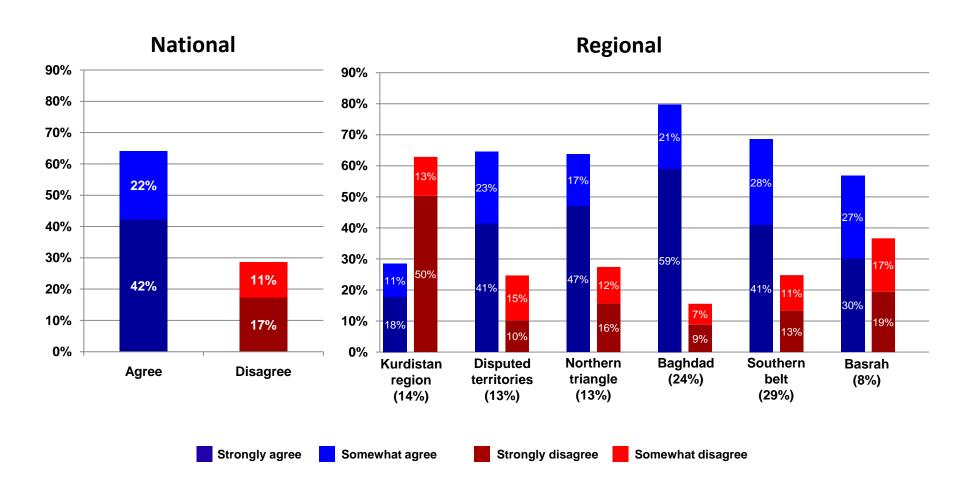
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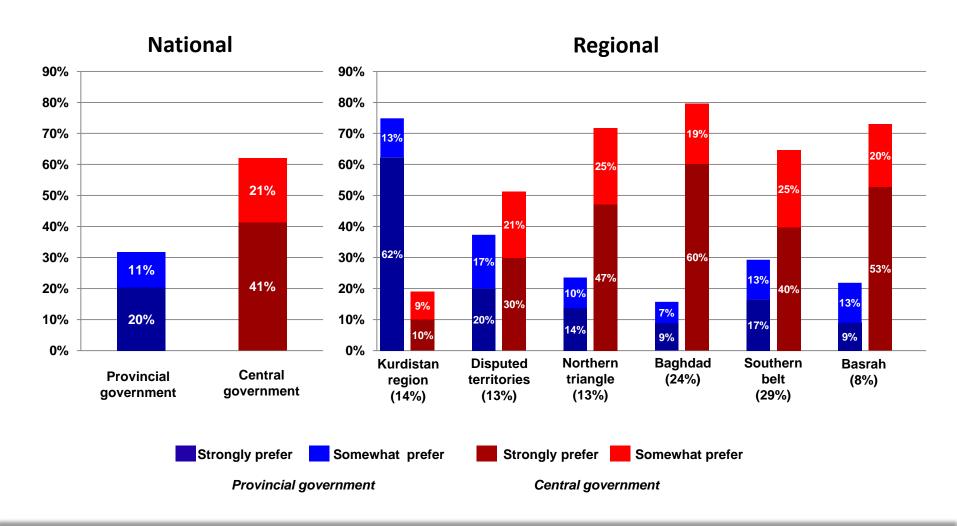
# If you could give your own practical advice about the single best way to improve public services in your area, which advice would you give?



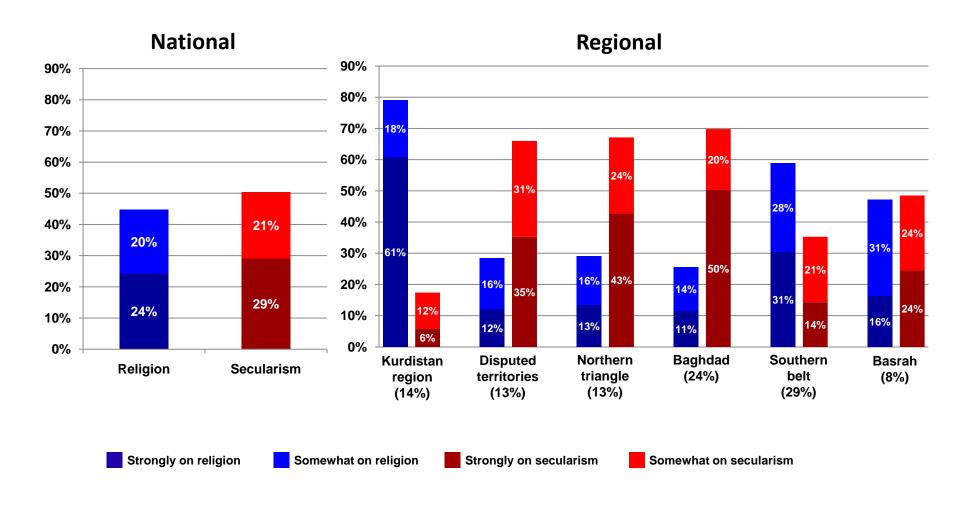
### Do you agree that most of Iraq's oil revenues should go to the central government, not to the provinces?



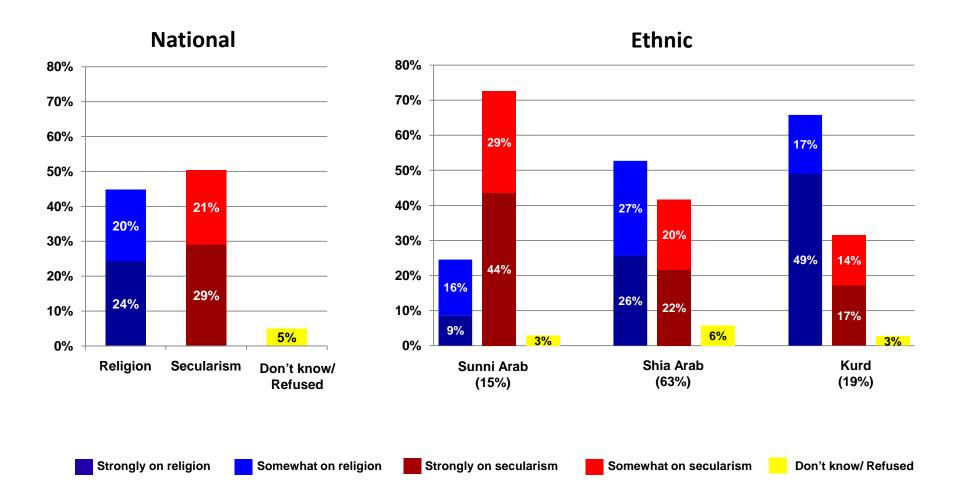
### Would you prefer that the provincial governments were stronger, or that the central government was stronger?



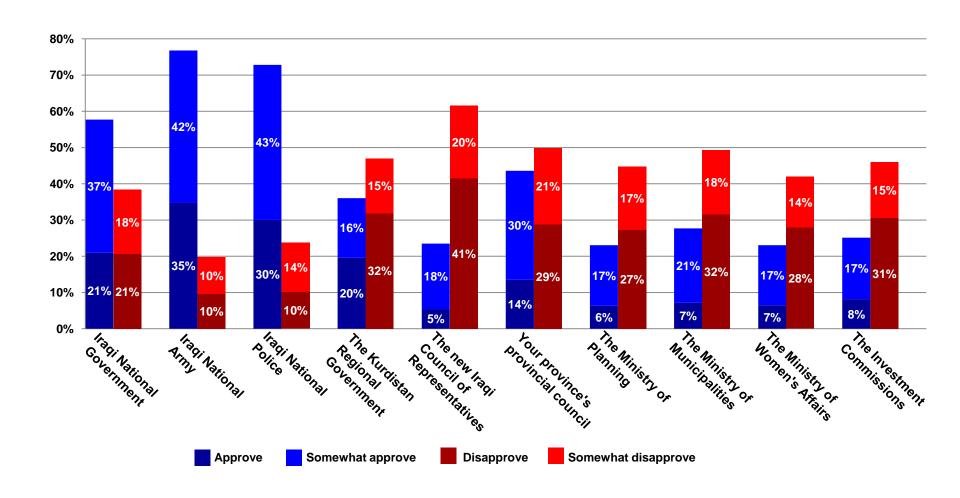
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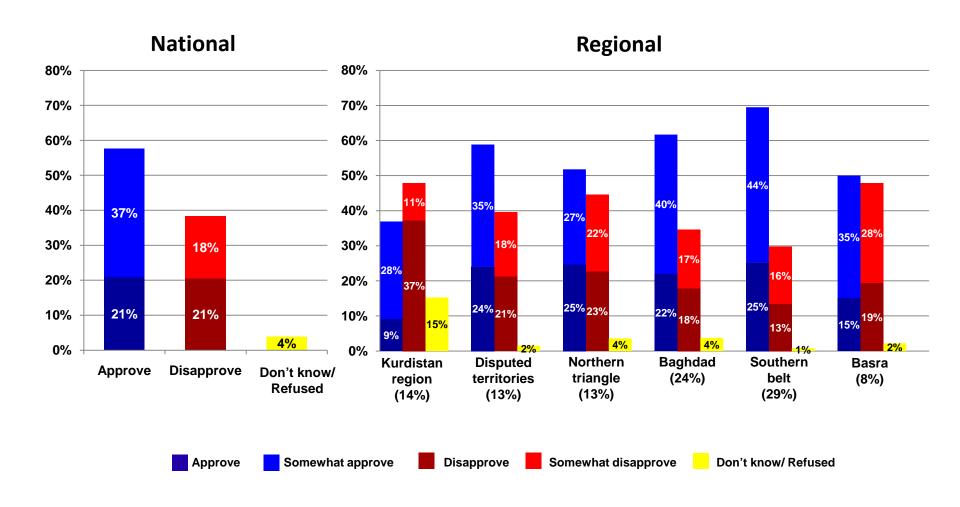
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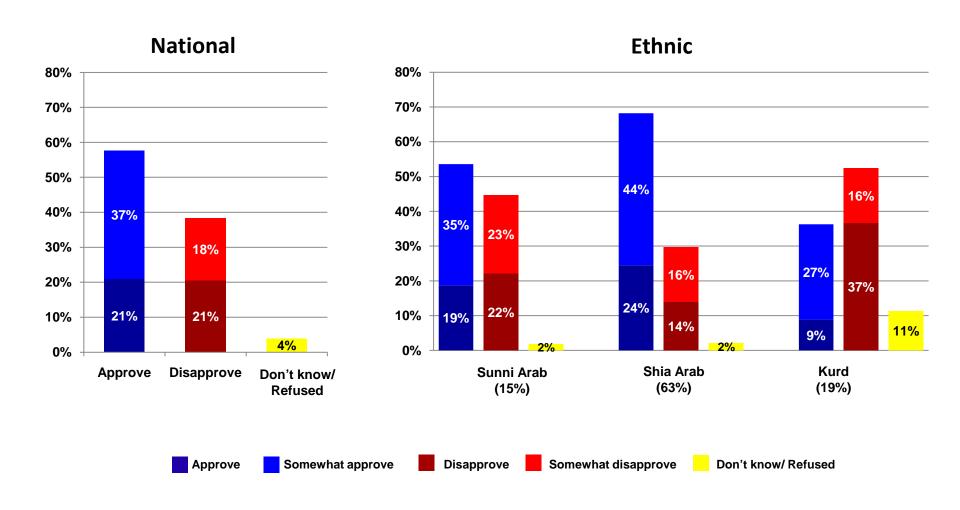
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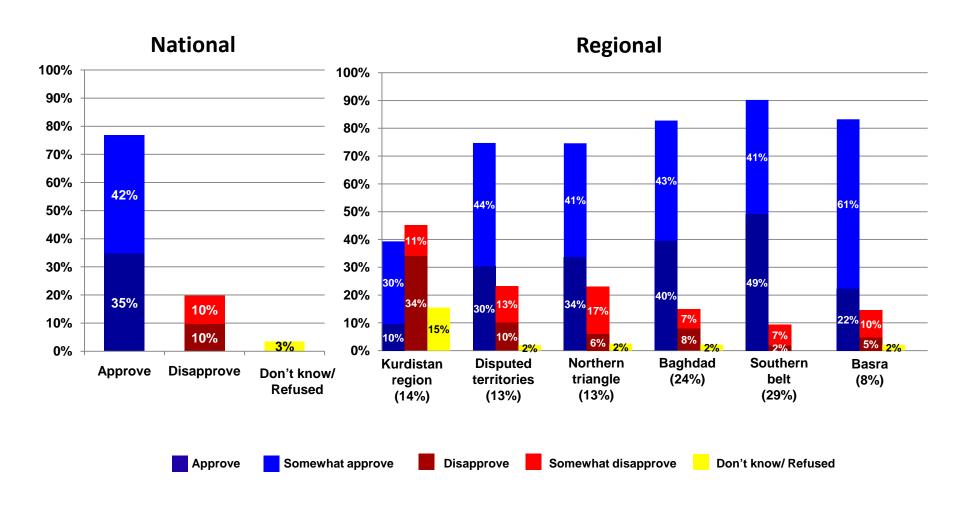
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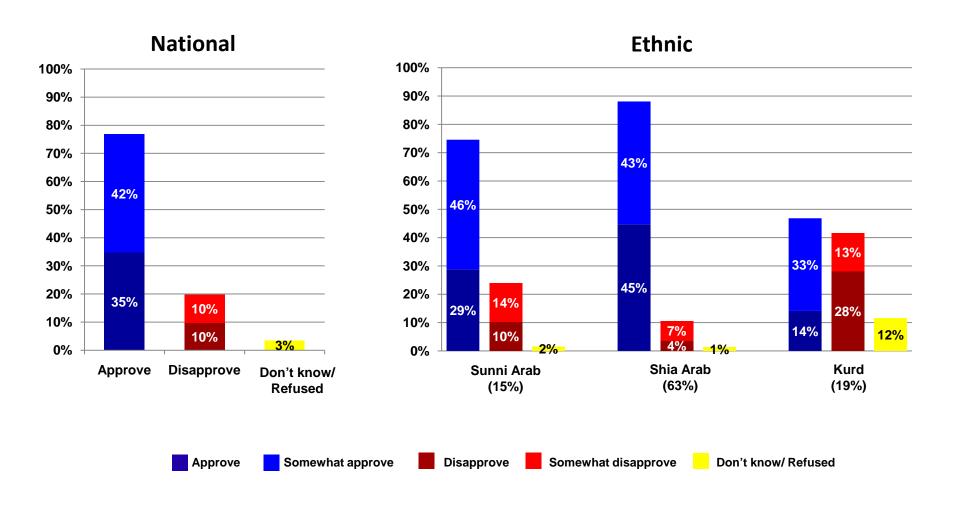
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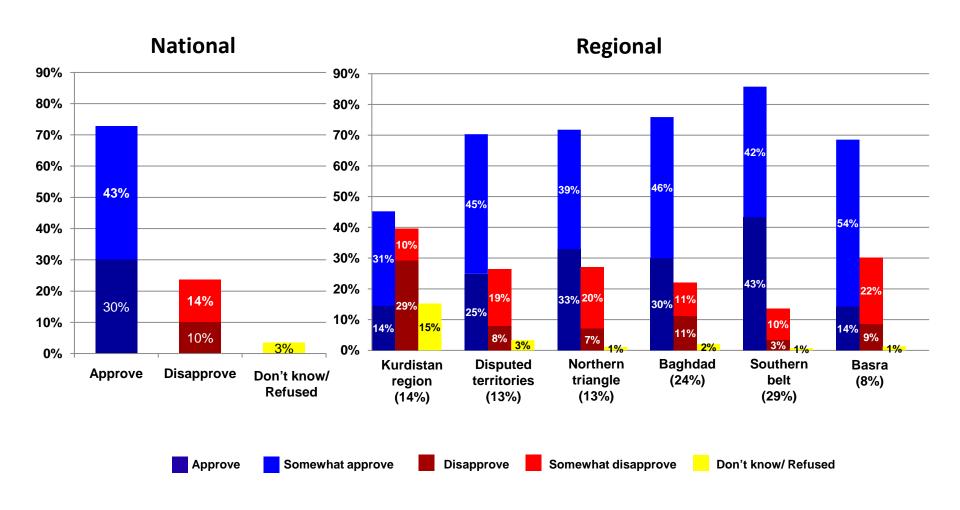
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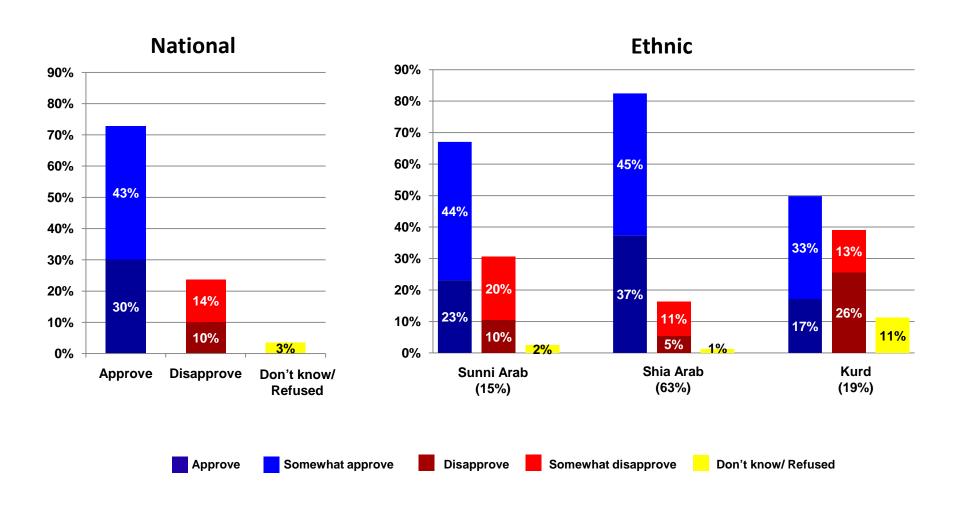
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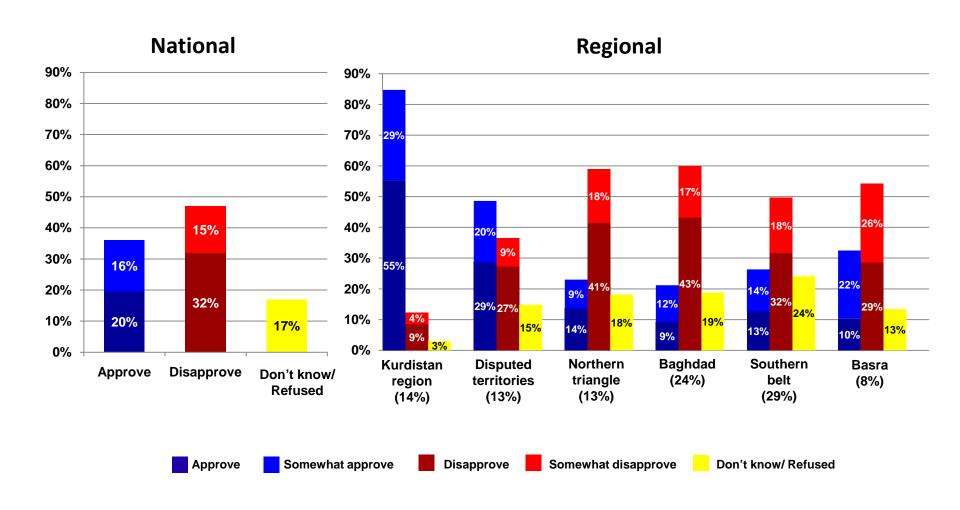
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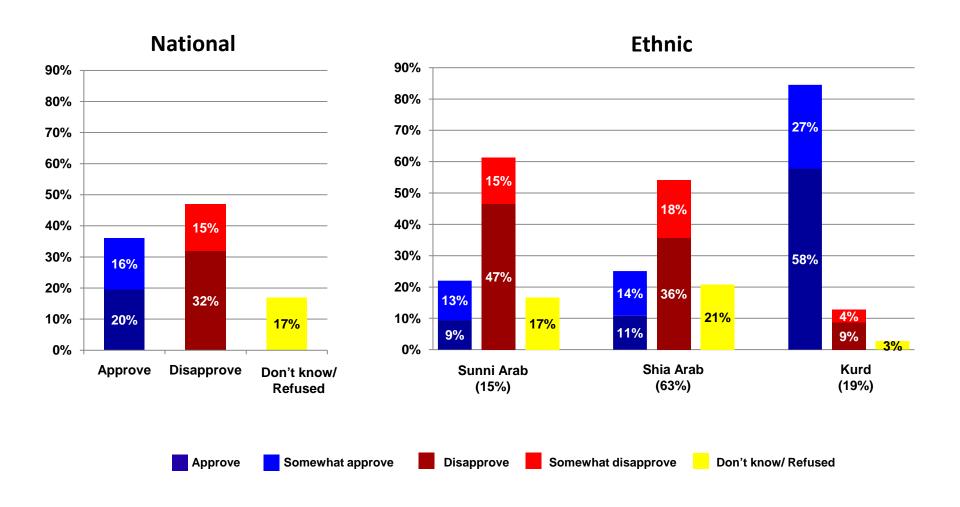
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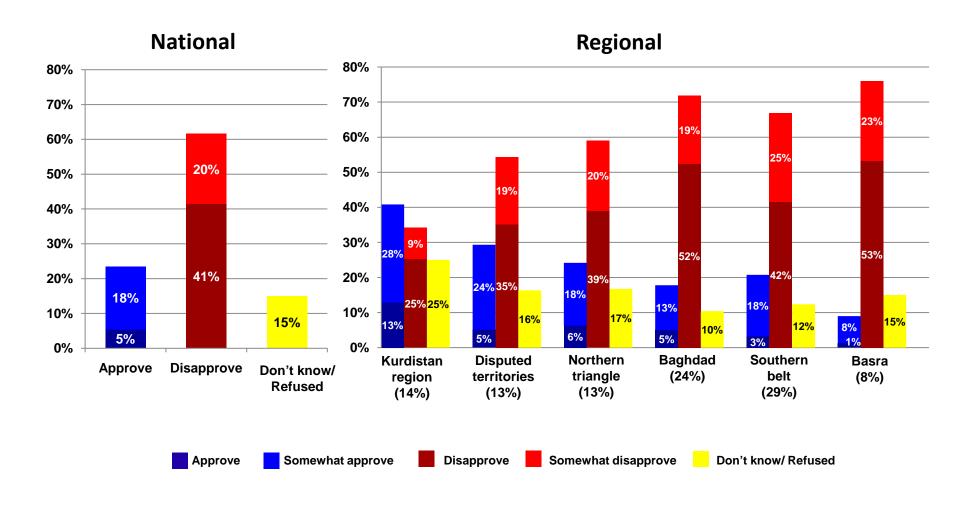
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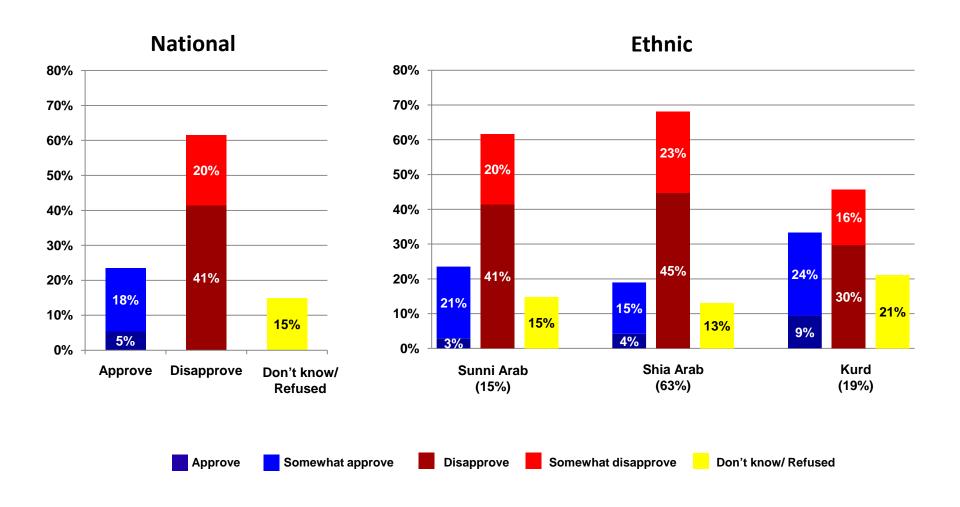
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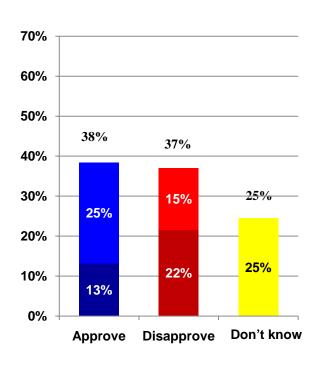


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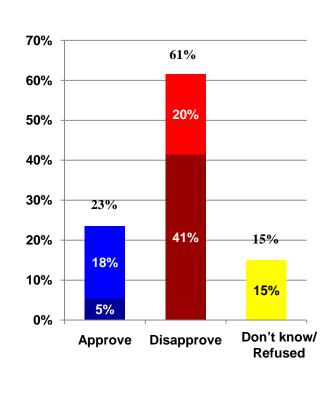


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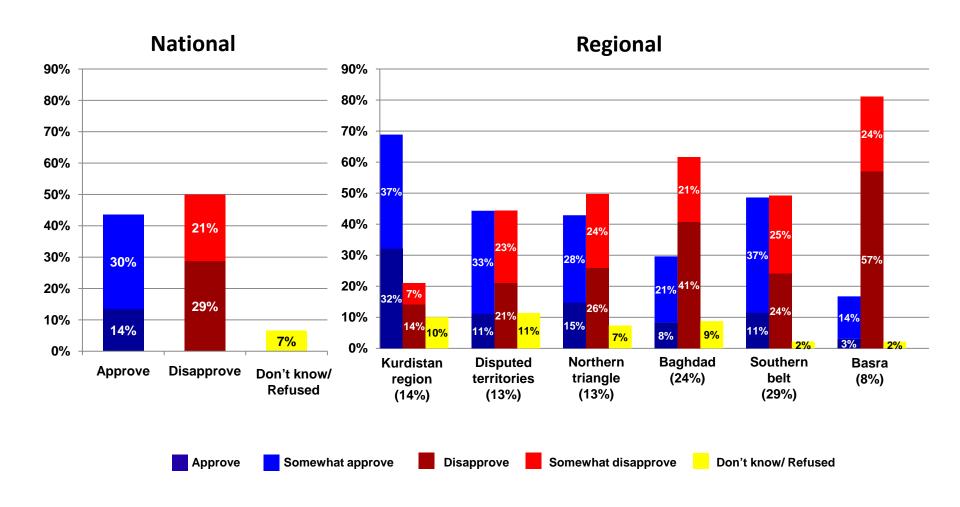


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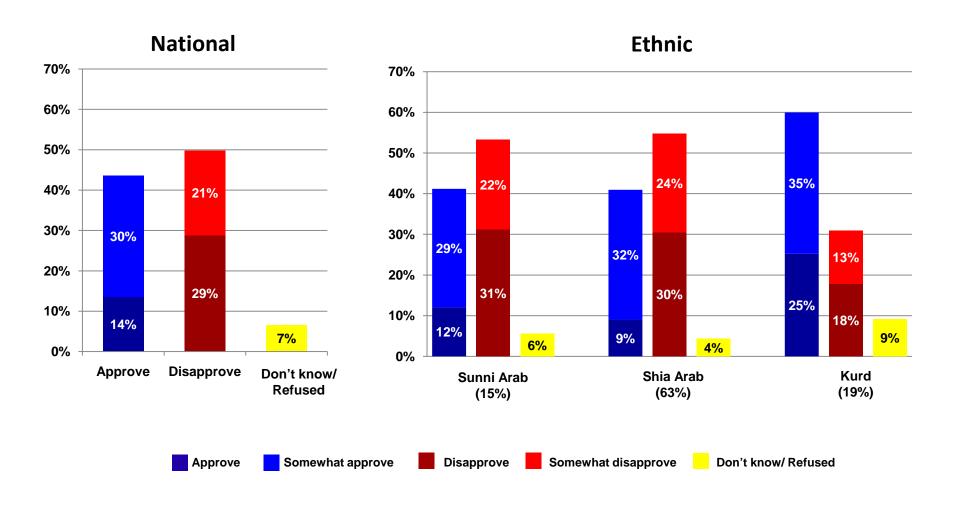




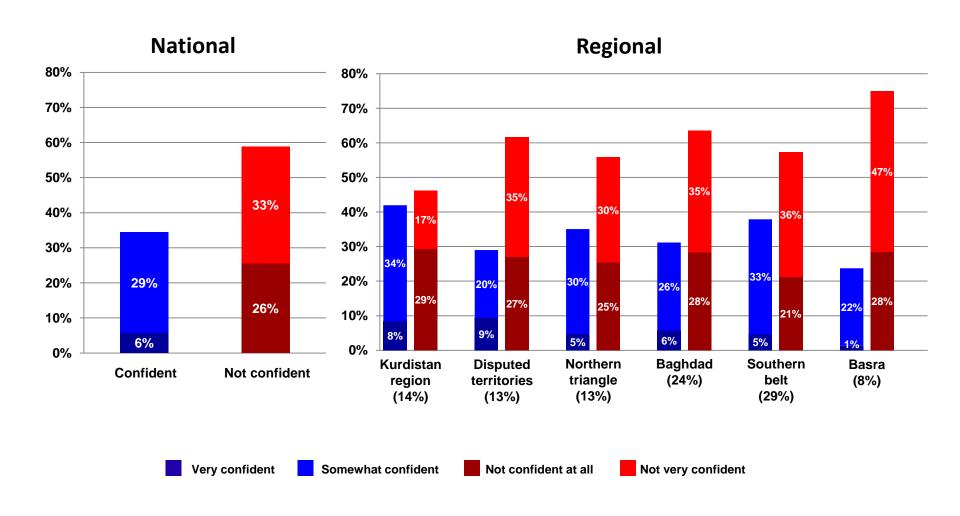
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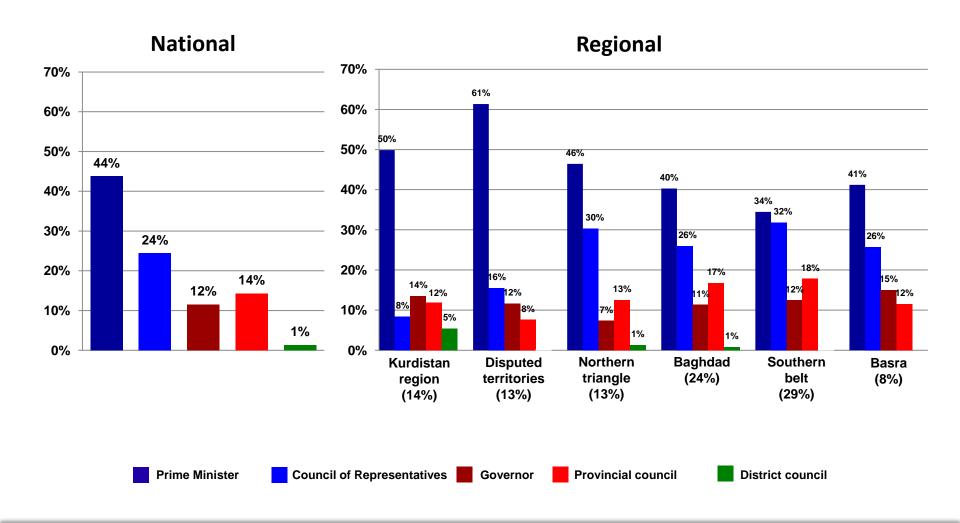
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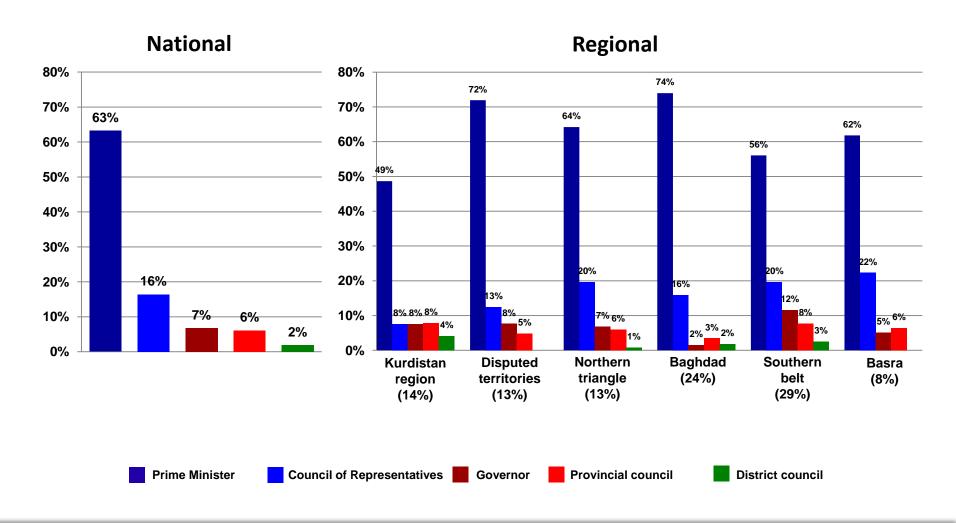
### How confident are you that the parliament in Iraq will work well for the benefit of all Iraqi people?



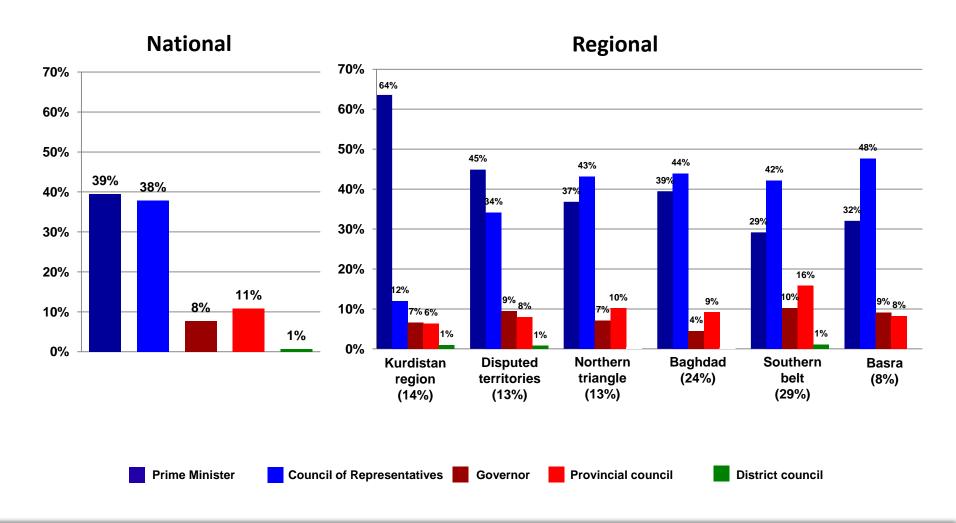
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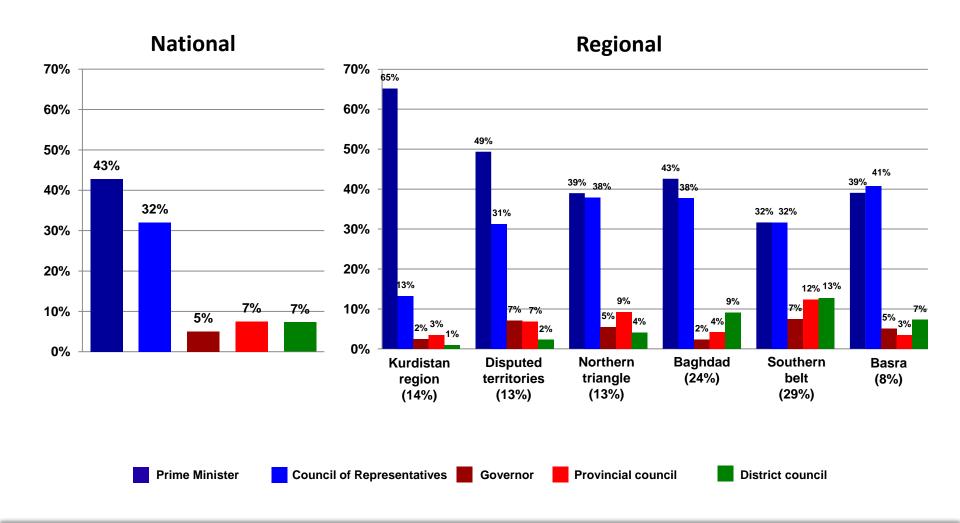
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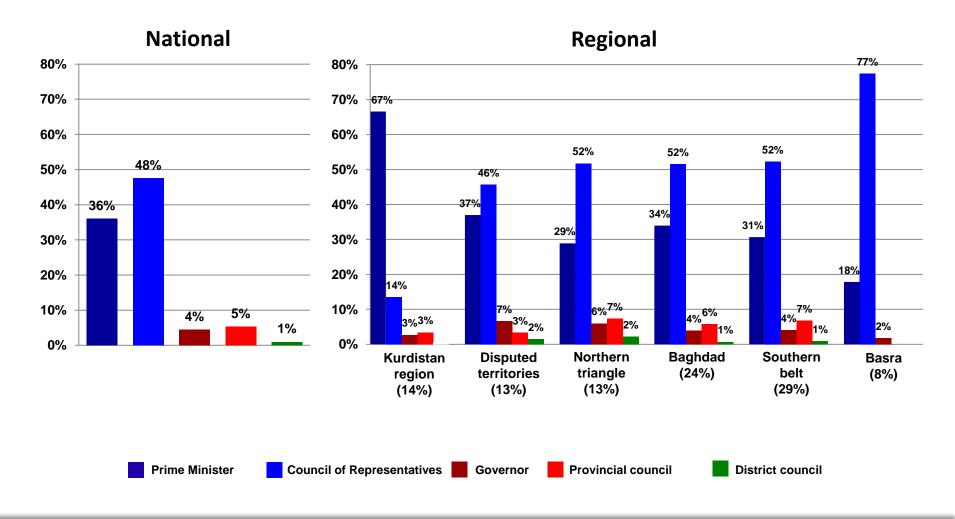
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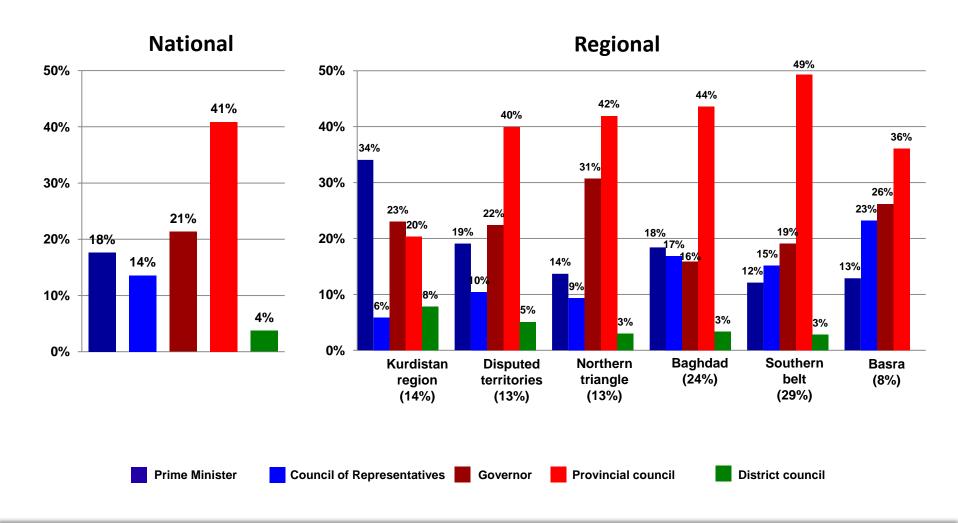
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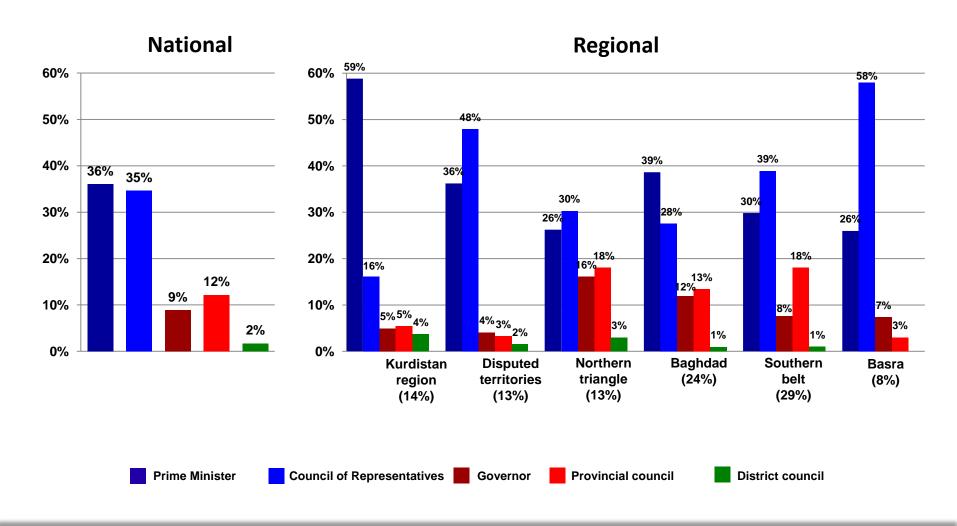
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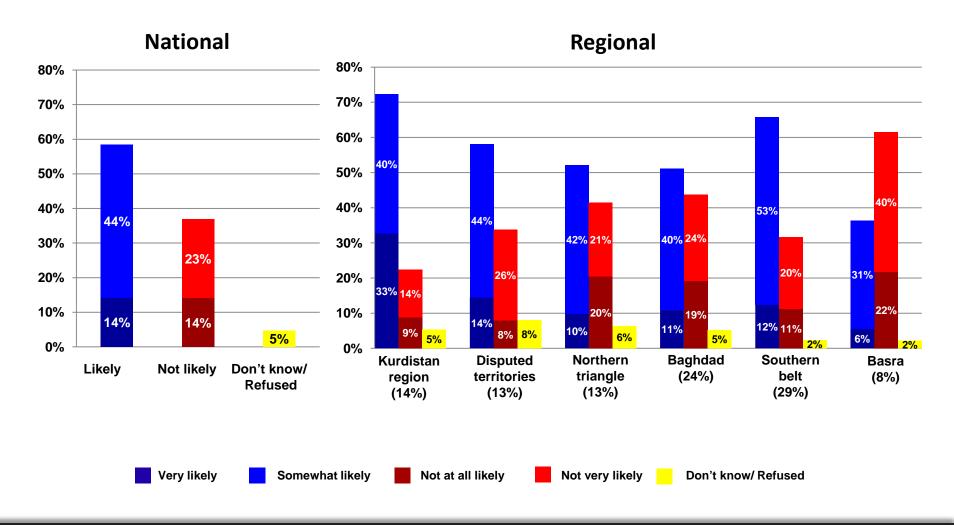
### Who do you think is responsible for the current situation with services like water, sewages, etc.?



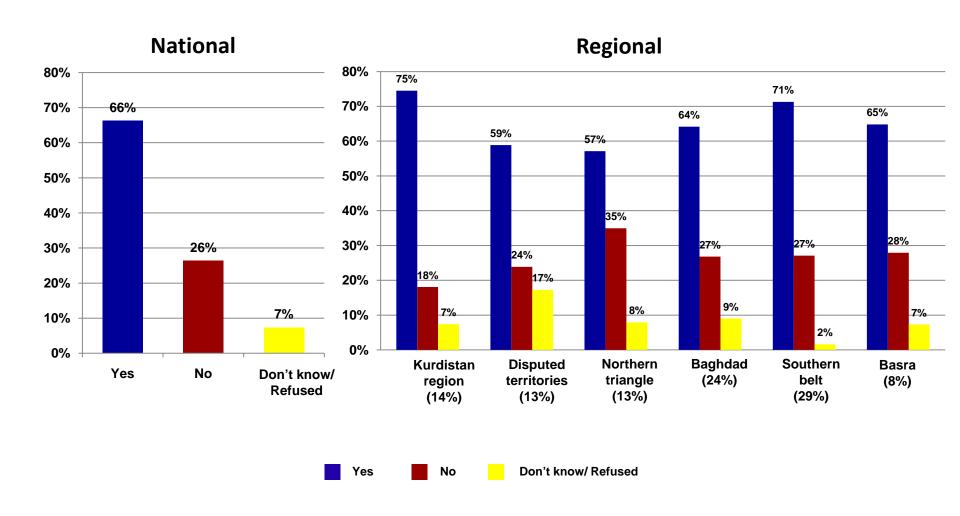
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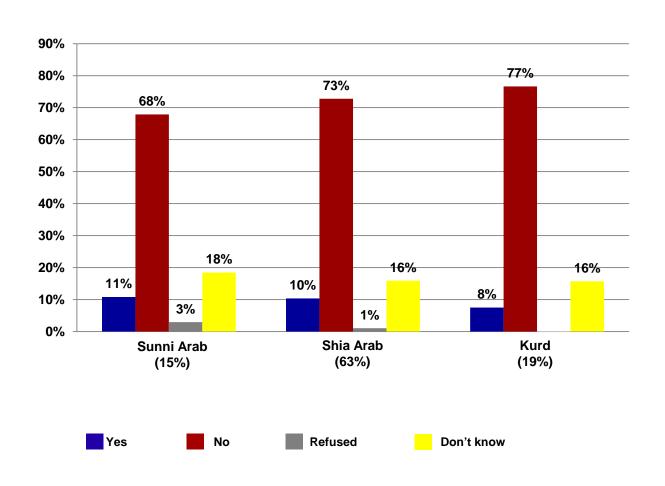
# In your opinion, how likely is it that your provincial council or regional government will improve conditions in your area in terms of basic services, jobs and security?



## Do you support your provincial council handling basic services, like water, sewage, electricity, garbage collection, and roads, instead of the federal government?



Law 21 mandates that laws shall be published in the provincial council Gazette and shall take effect on the date of their publication unless stipulated otherwise. Have you seen the Gazette produced by the {insert province} council?





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