



Afghanistan

Election Day Survey

9 October 2004

Why conduct an election day survey in Afghanistan?

- Contributes to confidence in the process and outcome.
- Provides information not otherwise available about who voted, why they voted and what voters expect from the President-elect.
- Without a parallel vote count nor a substantial observer presence—neither of which were present in Afghanistan—an election day survey is the only check on the process and outcome.
- Allows voters to express their opinion not only about the validity of the election but also about their political goals.

How was the survey done?

- IRI directed the design, implementation and analysis.
- Williams and Associates, a US based firm specializing in international survey research, designed the methodology and oversaw the data collection process.
- An Afghan polling organization conducted the field research.
- All interviews were conducted by Afghans.
- 177 teams of two Afghans were placed in high-traffic areas in cities, towns and villages.
- Most teams were composed of one man and one woman.
- Interviewers approached a voter and asked if s/he would be willing to take part in a voluntary, confidential survey.
- If they agreed, the interview was completed.
- Completed questionnaires were collected from each team three times.
- An operations center was established in Kabul with a staff of 55 to communicate with supervisors, receive data, and enter data.

Methodology

- 403 interviewers and supervisors at 177 locations in 26 Afghan provinces and in Pakistan.
 - Badakhshan, Baglan, Balkh, Bamyan, Faryab, Ghazni, Ghor, Herat, Hilmand, Jawzjan, Kabul, Khost, Kunar, Kunduz, Kandahar, Laghman, Nangahar, Paktya, Parwan, Paktika, Panjsheer, Samangan, Takhar, Uruzgan, Wardak; Peshawar.
- 9 regional and 40 mobile supervisors.
- Sample distributed by Province.
- 17,110 total interviews completed.
- Interviewing date: Saturday, October 9th, 2004.
- Self-administered interview unless illiterate.

Outside a polling station



Conducting an Interview



Inside the Data Collection Center

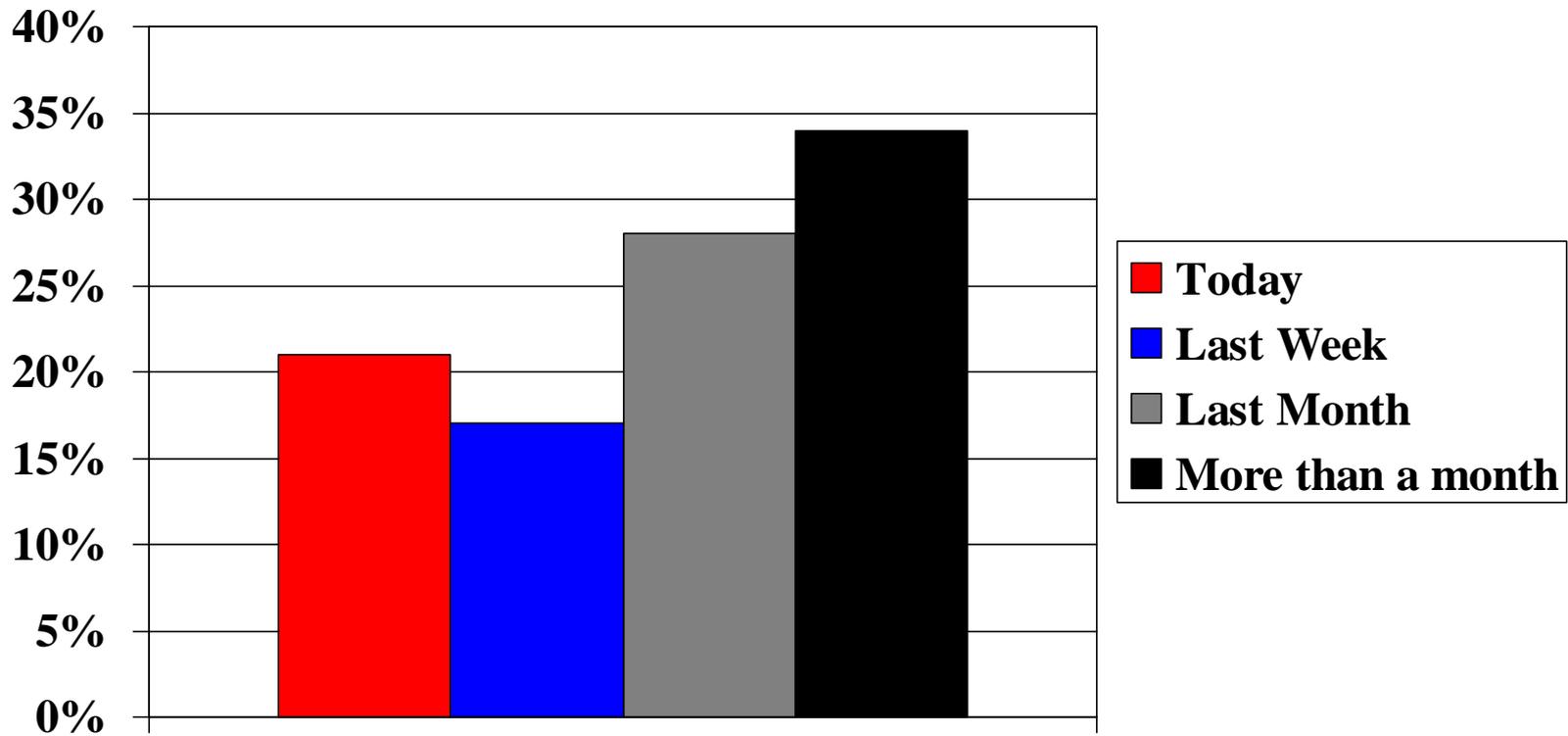


Receiving Results From the Field

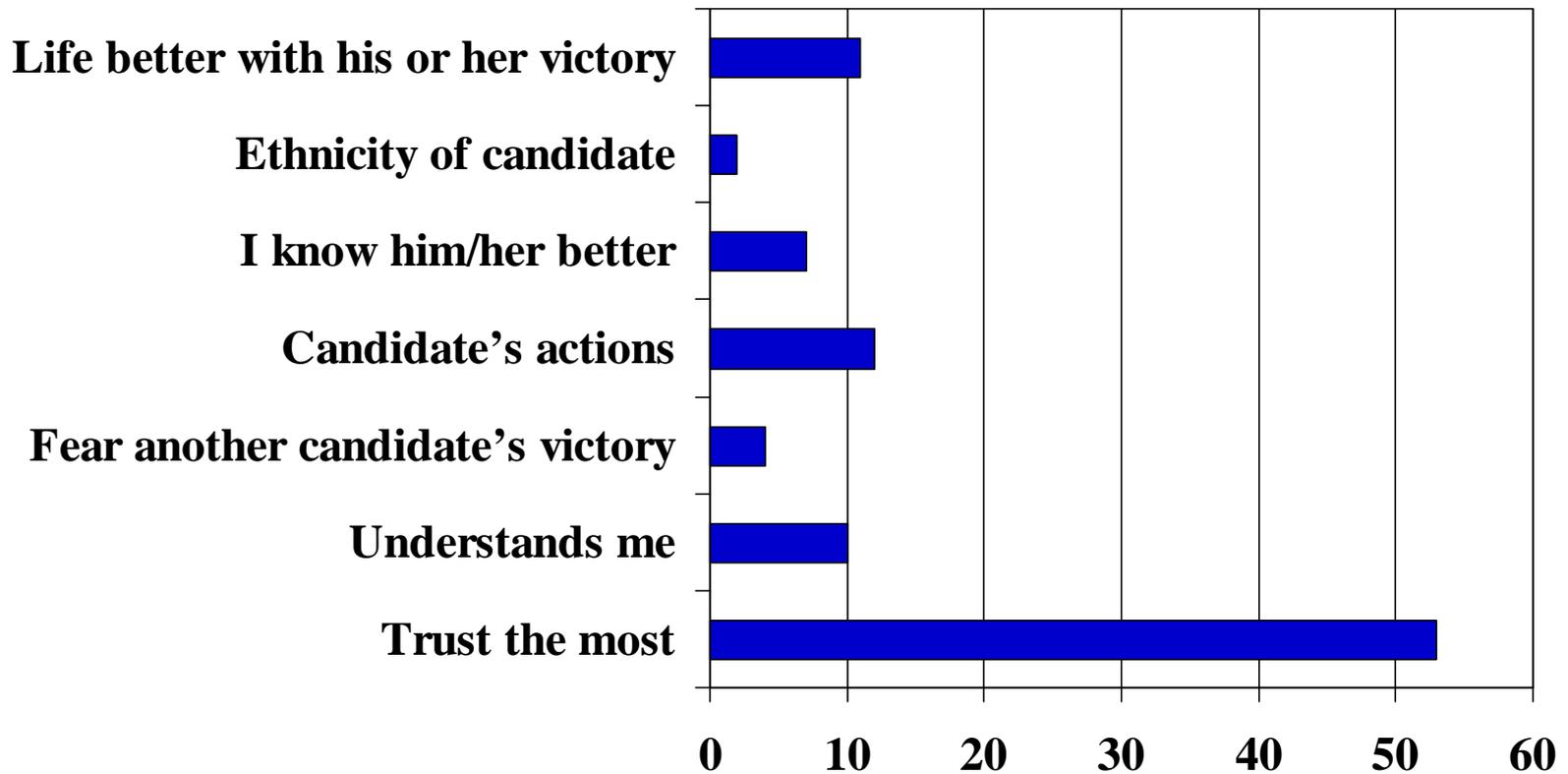


Results

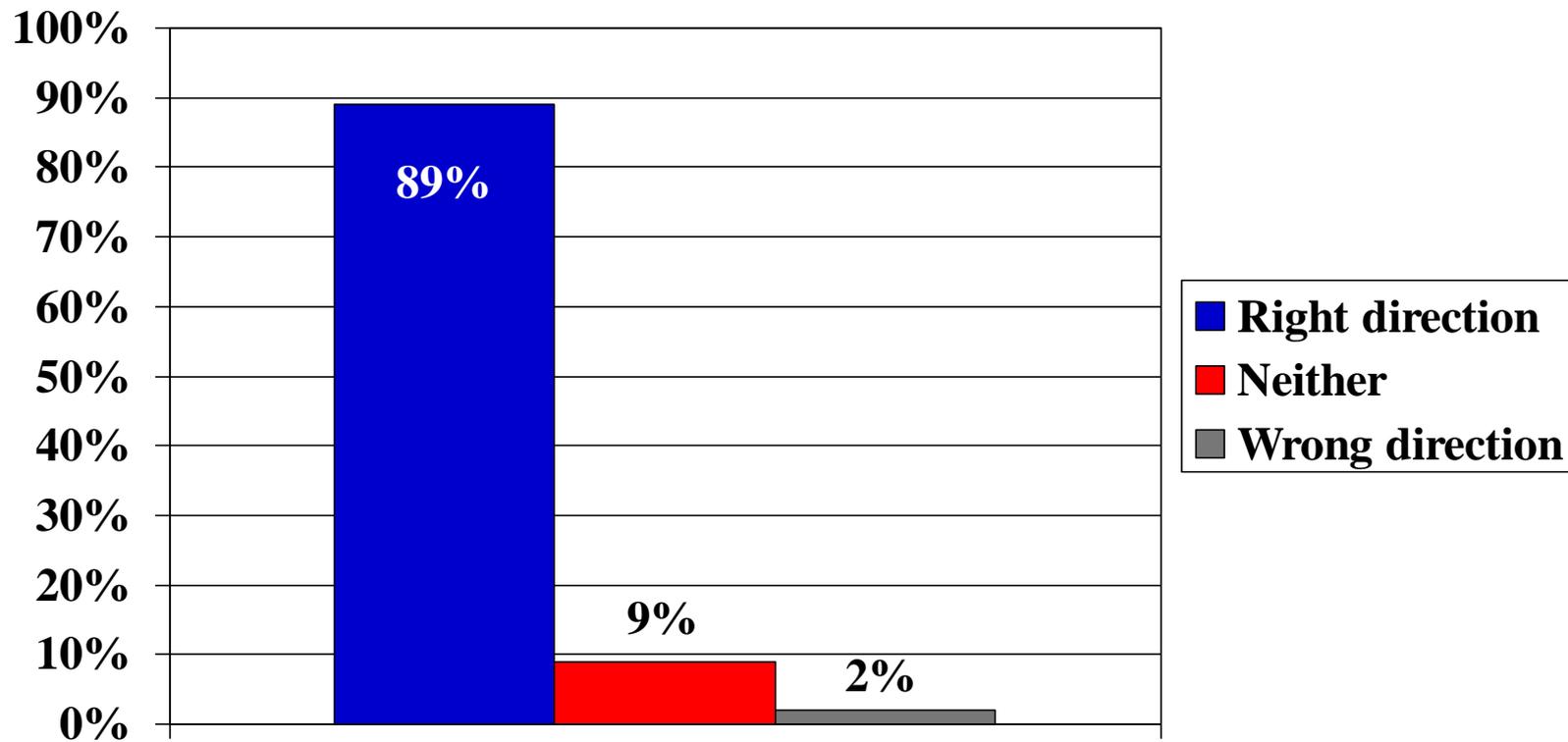
When did you decide for whom to vote?



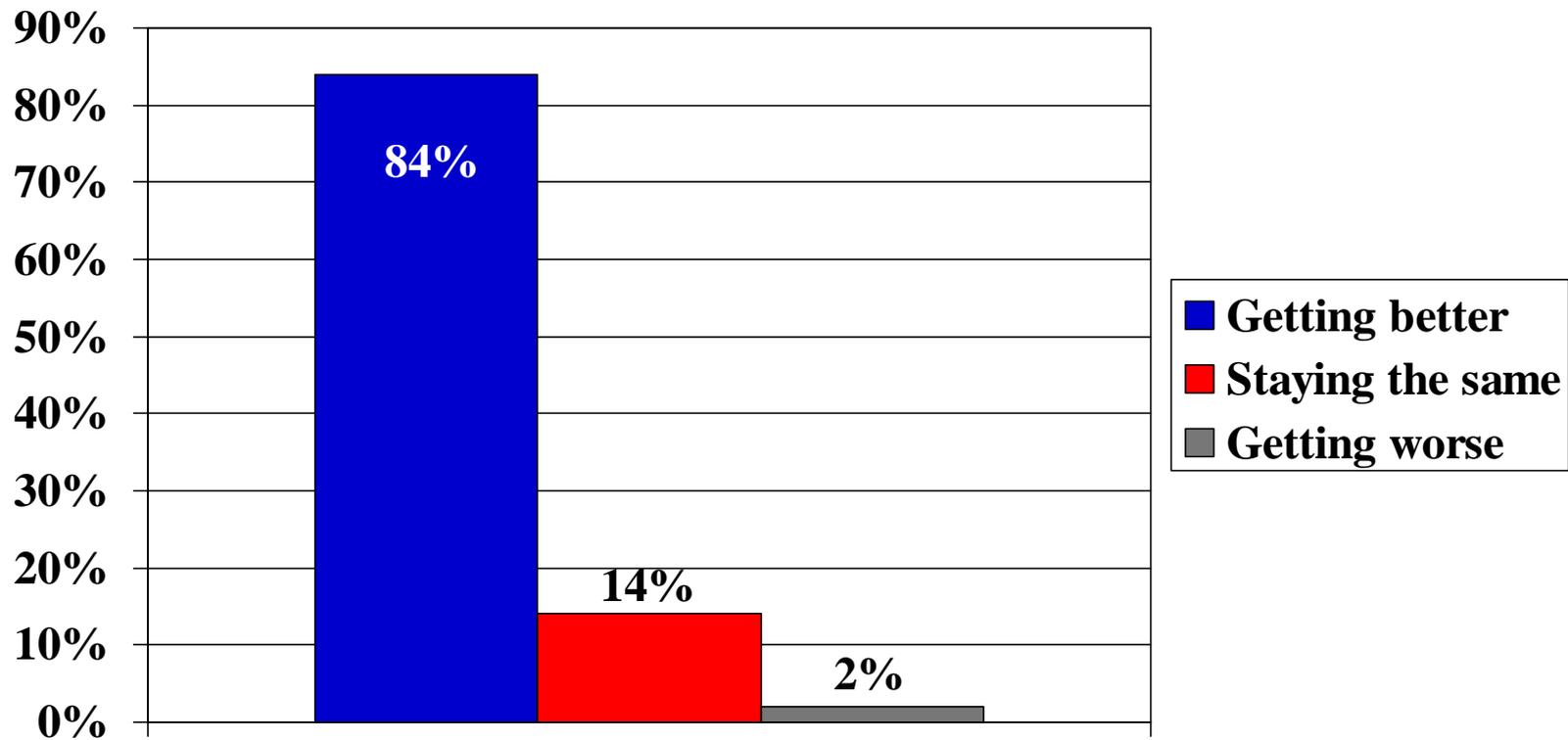
Which of the following reasons best describes why you voted for that candidate?



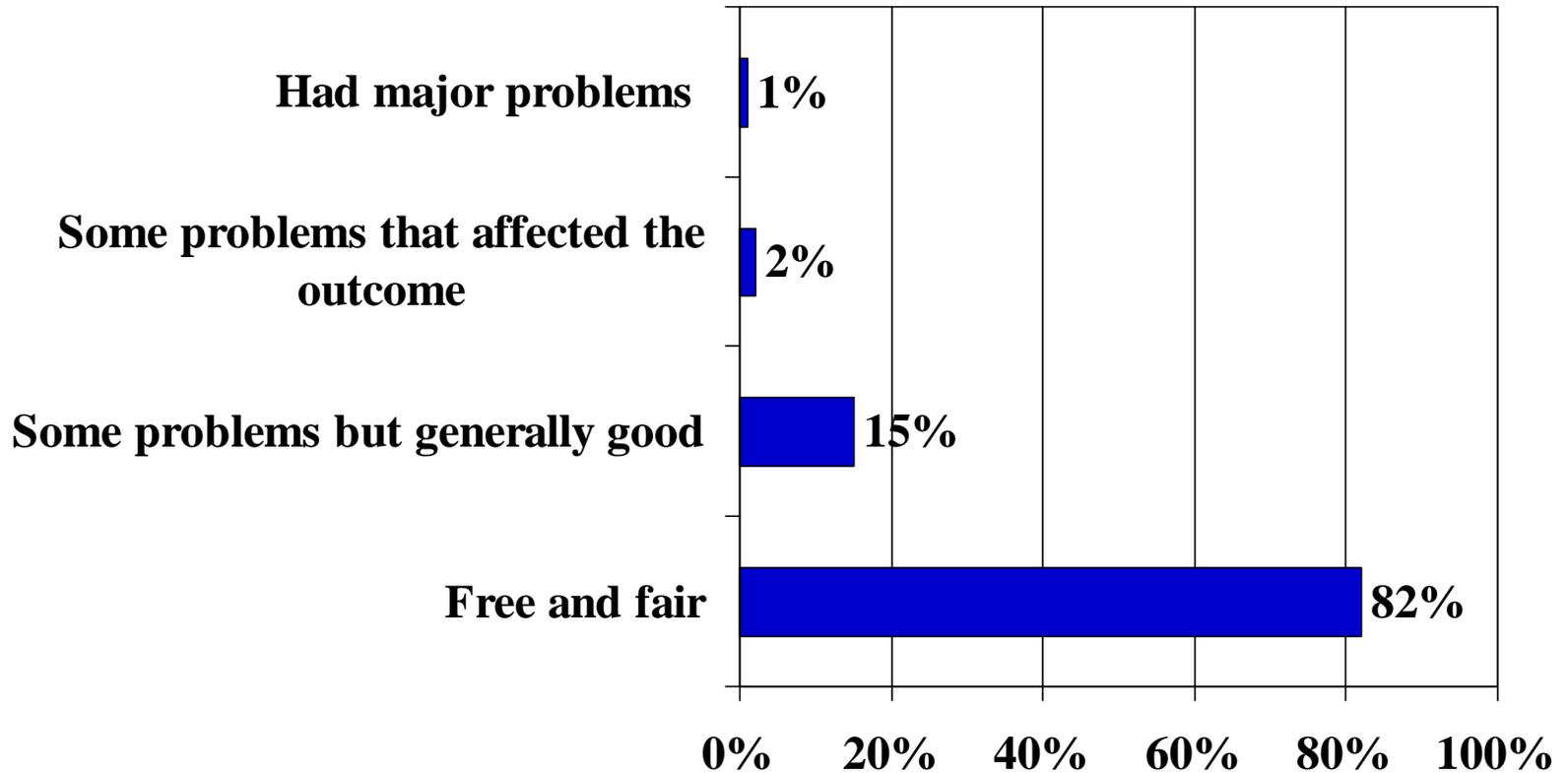
In general do you think things in Afghanistan are moving in the...



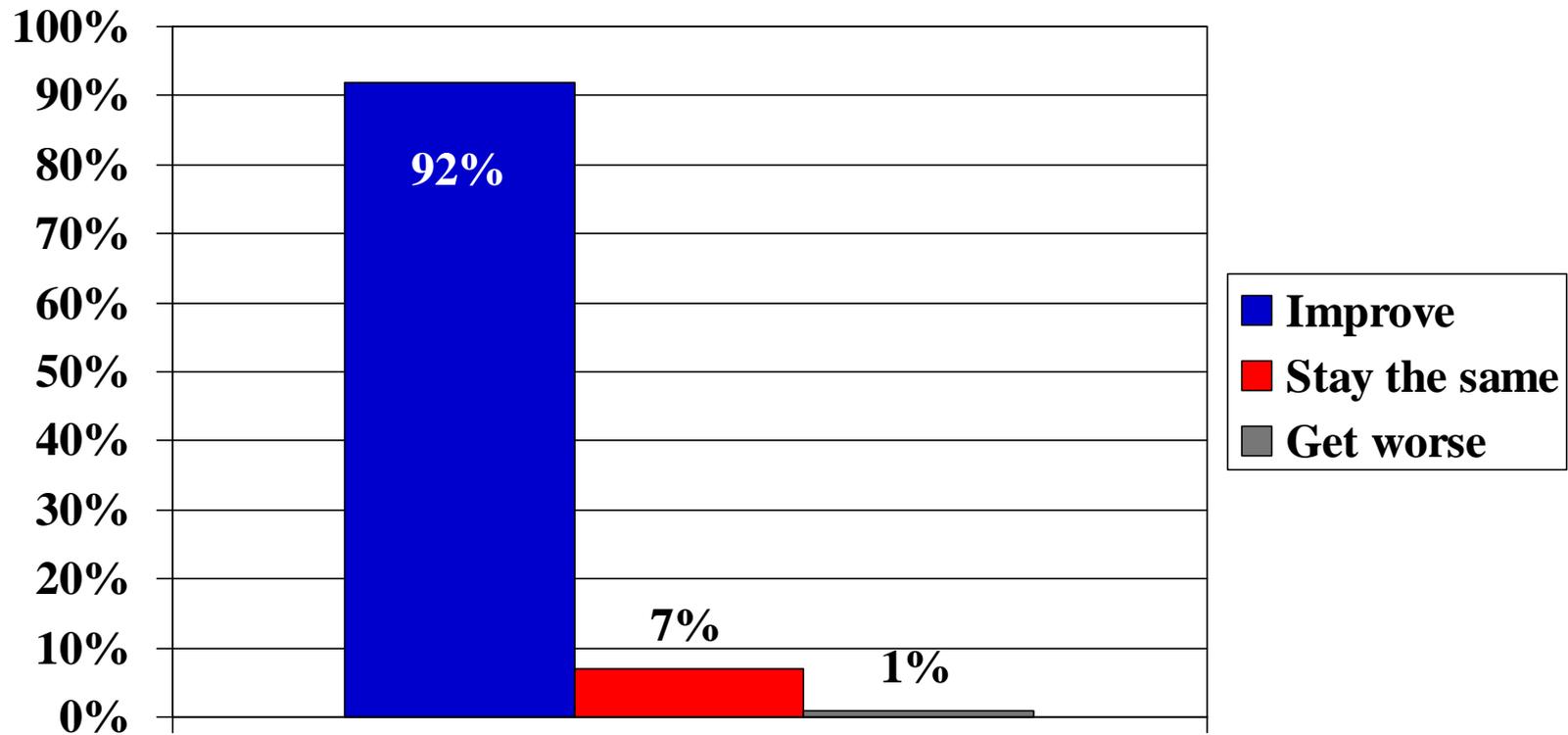
Since the end of the Taliban government, is your living standard . . .



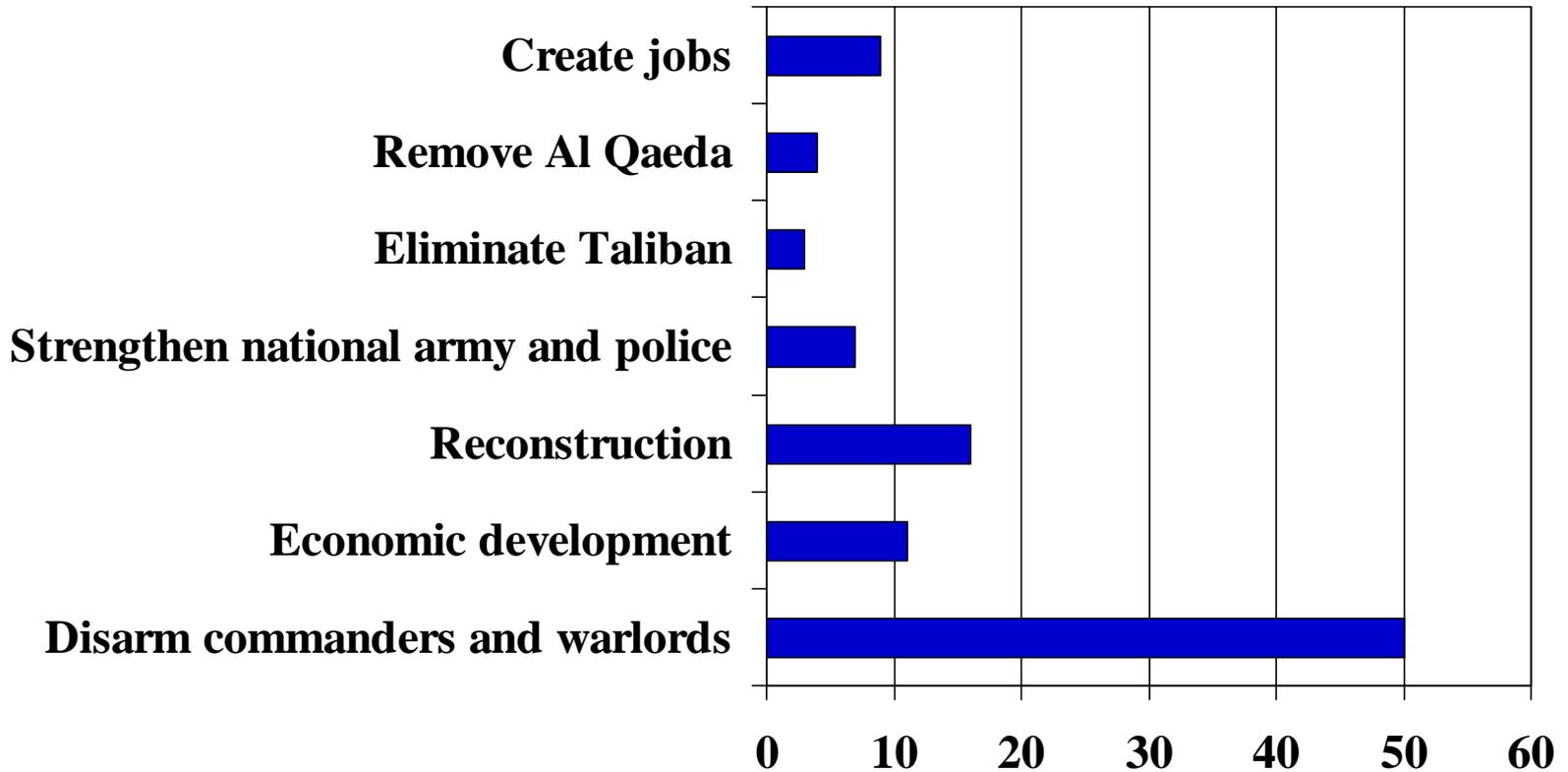
How would you rate today's election?



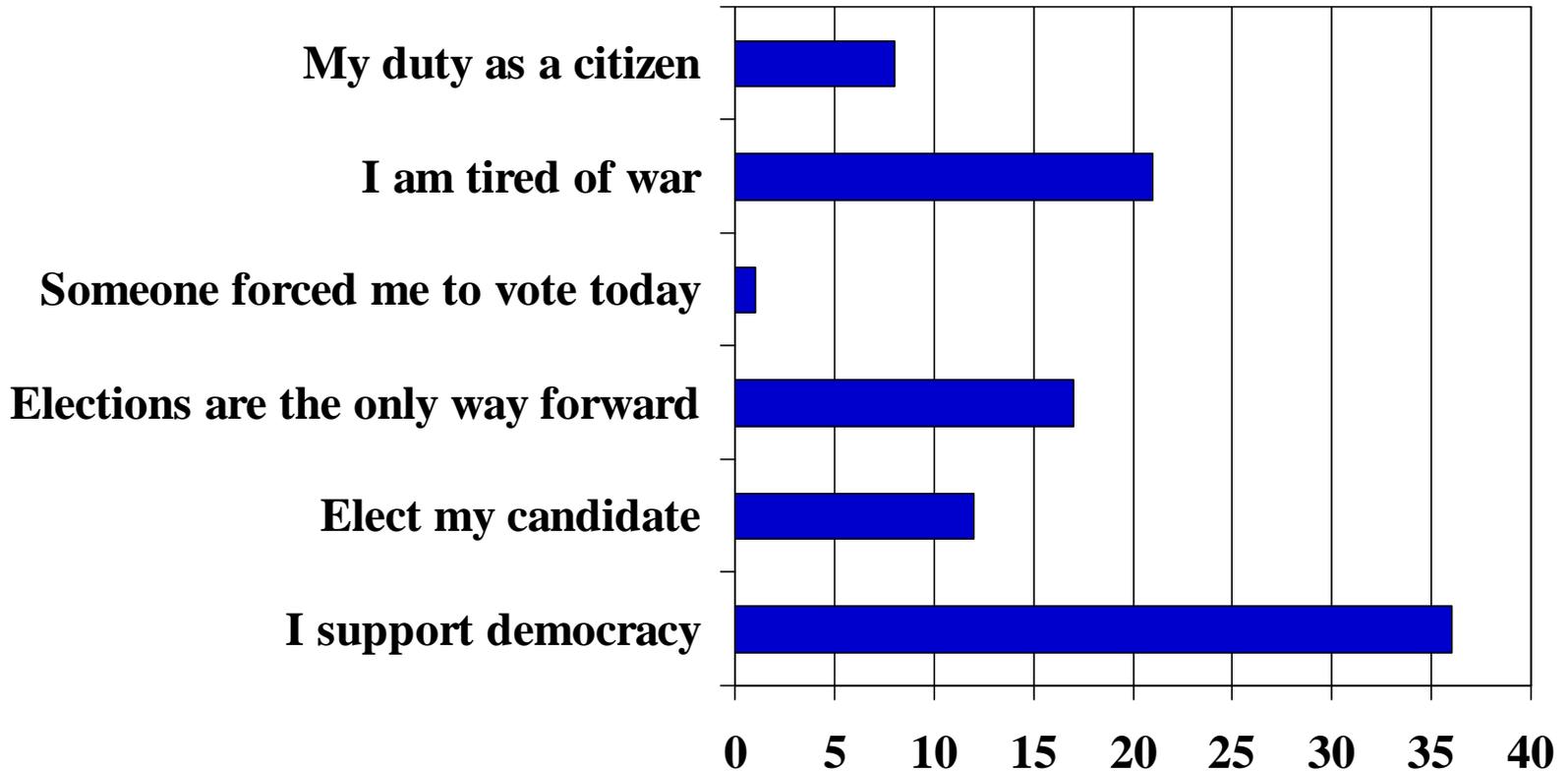
In the next year do you think things will:



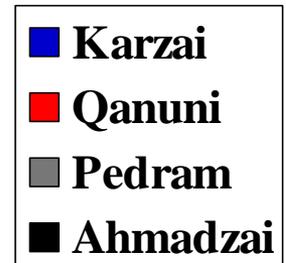
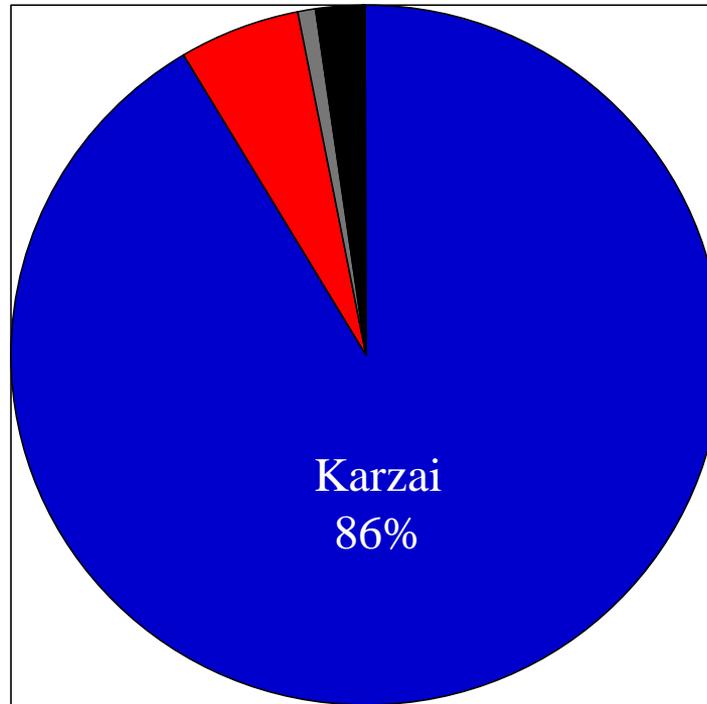
What should be the first priority of the new government?



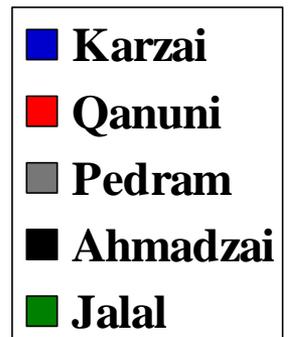
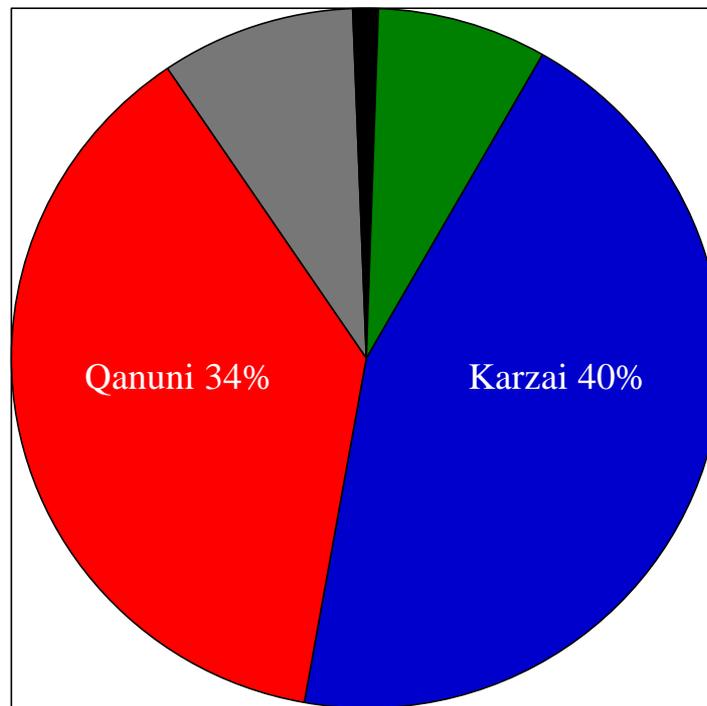
What single biggest reason made you want to vote today?



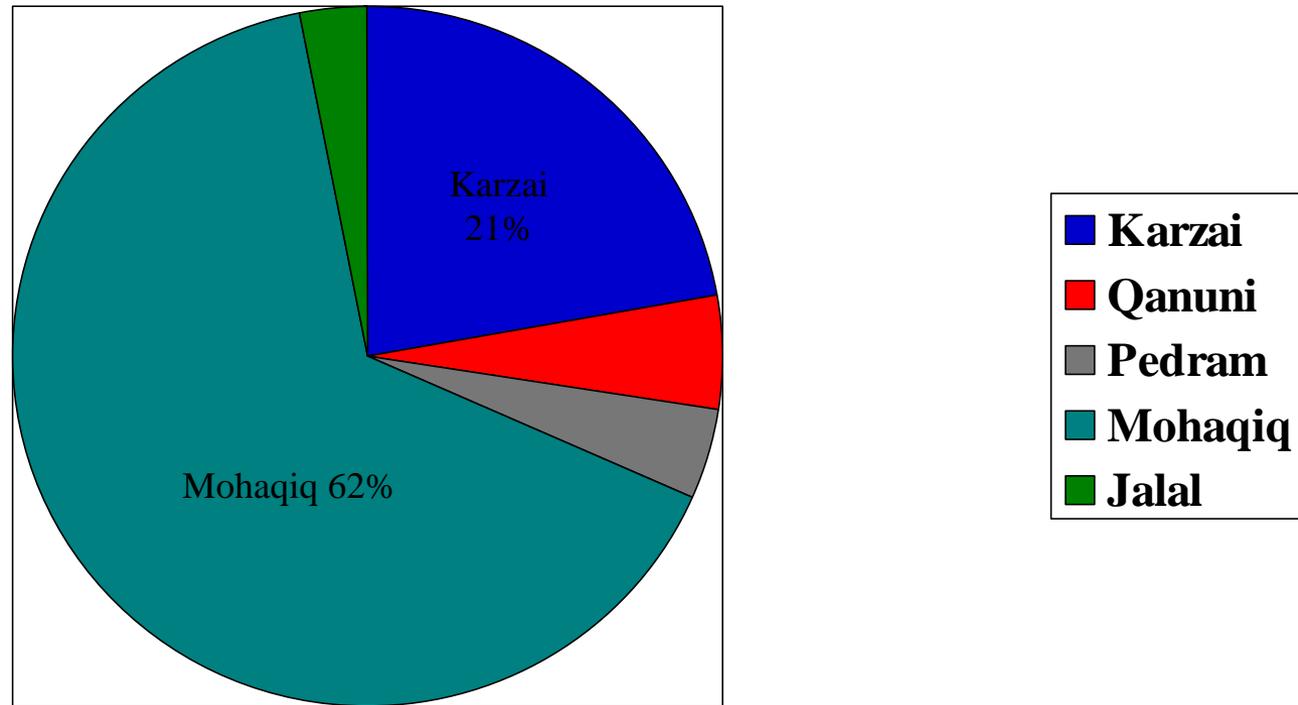
How did Pashtuns vote?



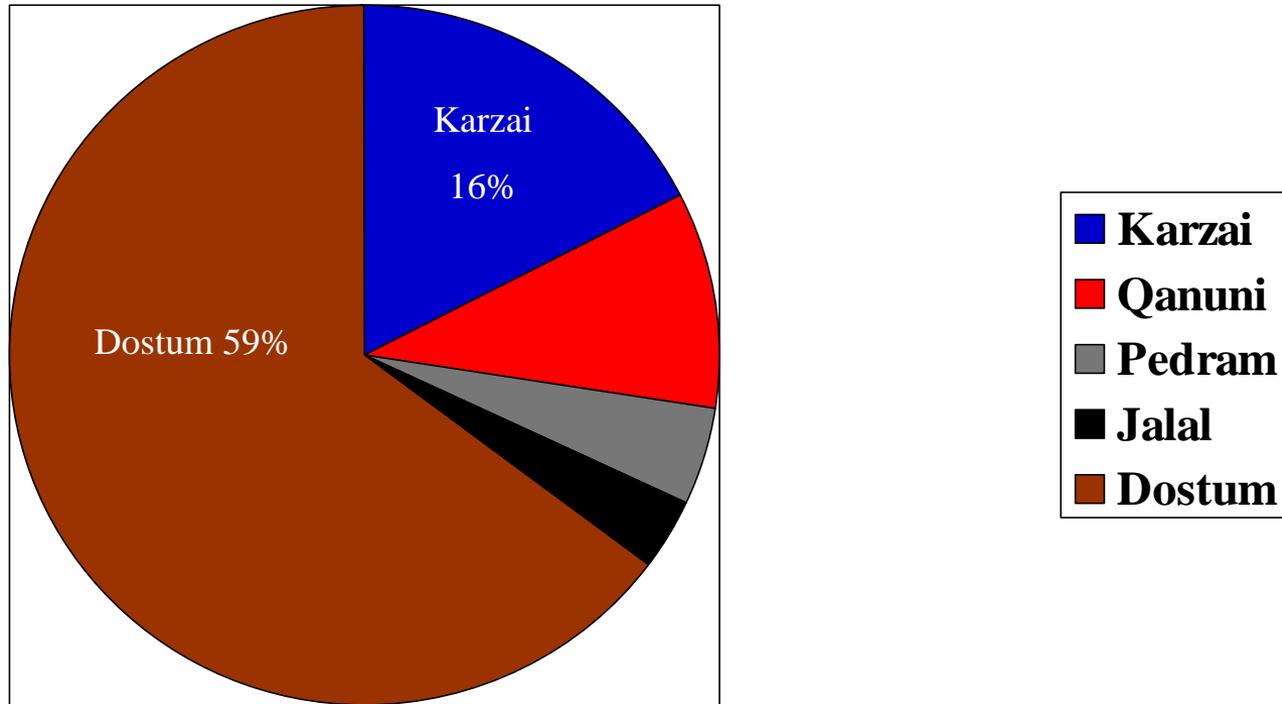
How did Tajiks vote?



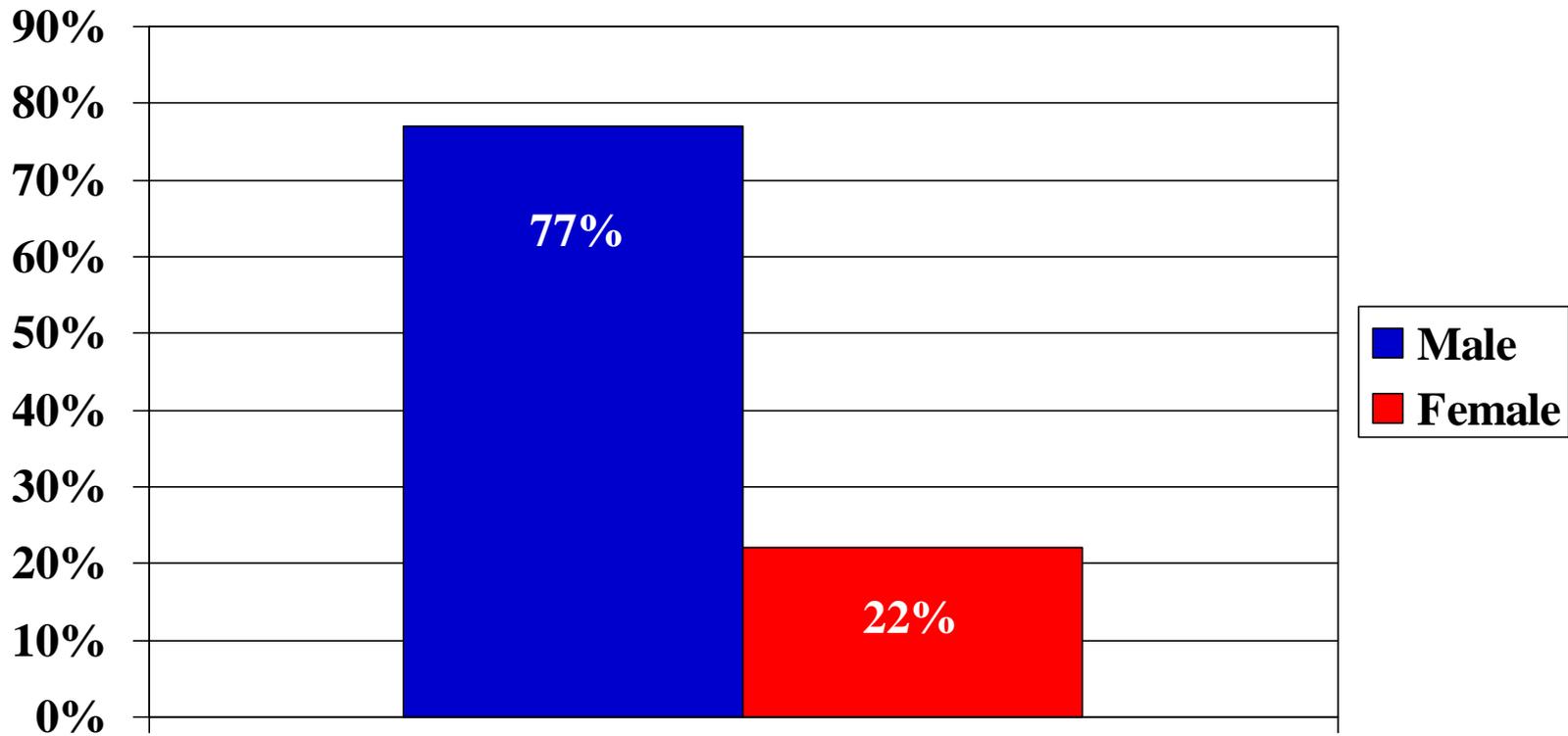
How did Hazaras vote?



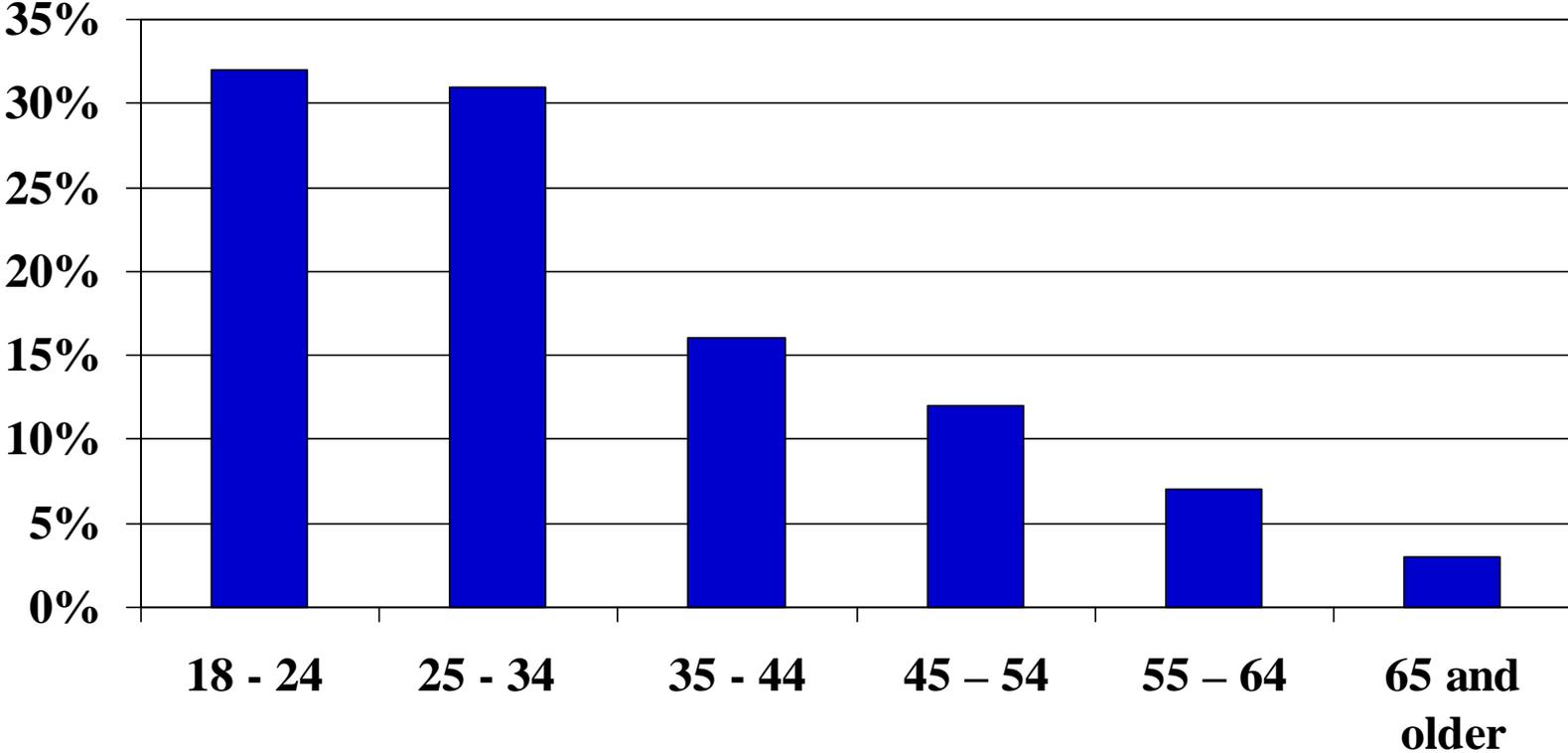
How did Uzbeks vote?



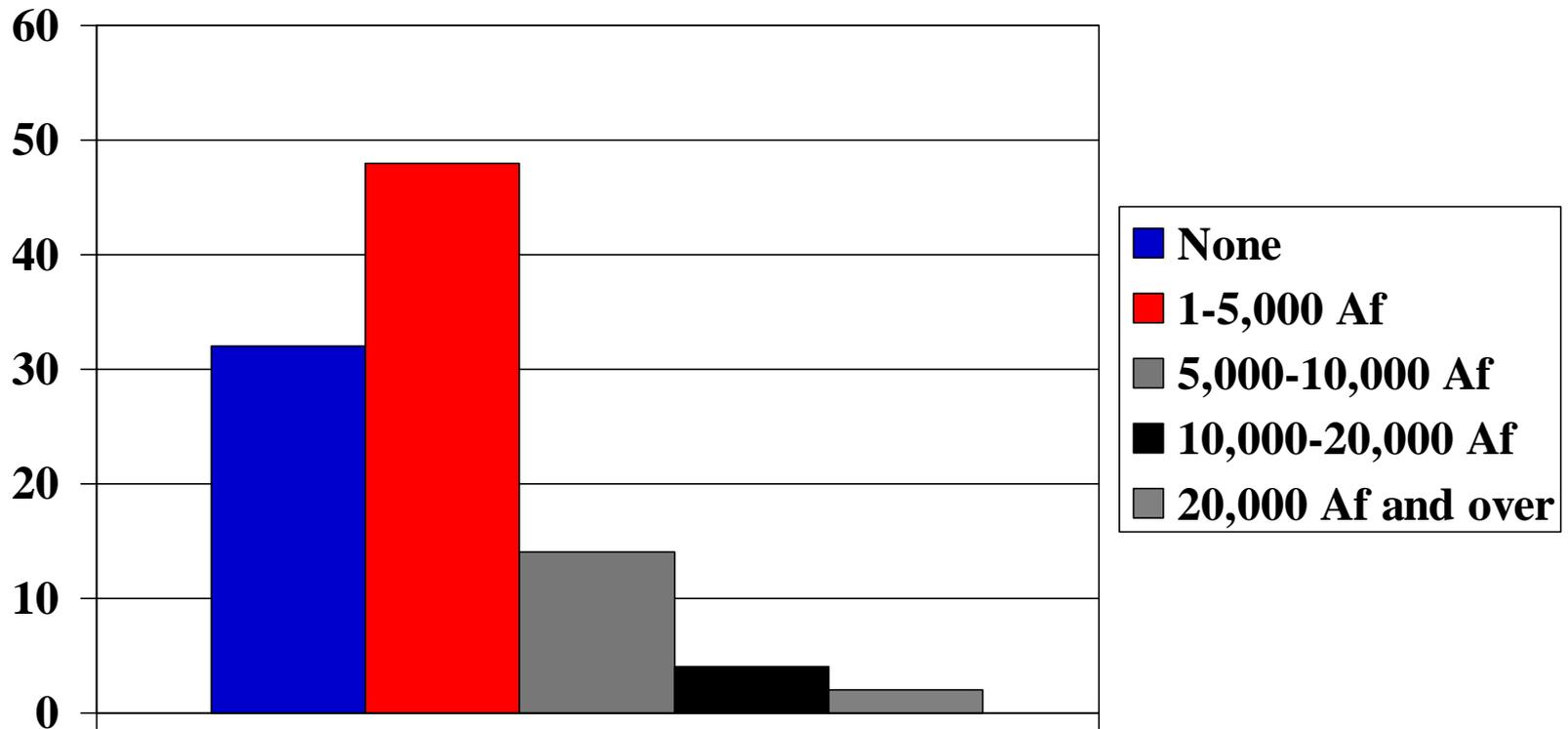
Gender Breakdown of Sample



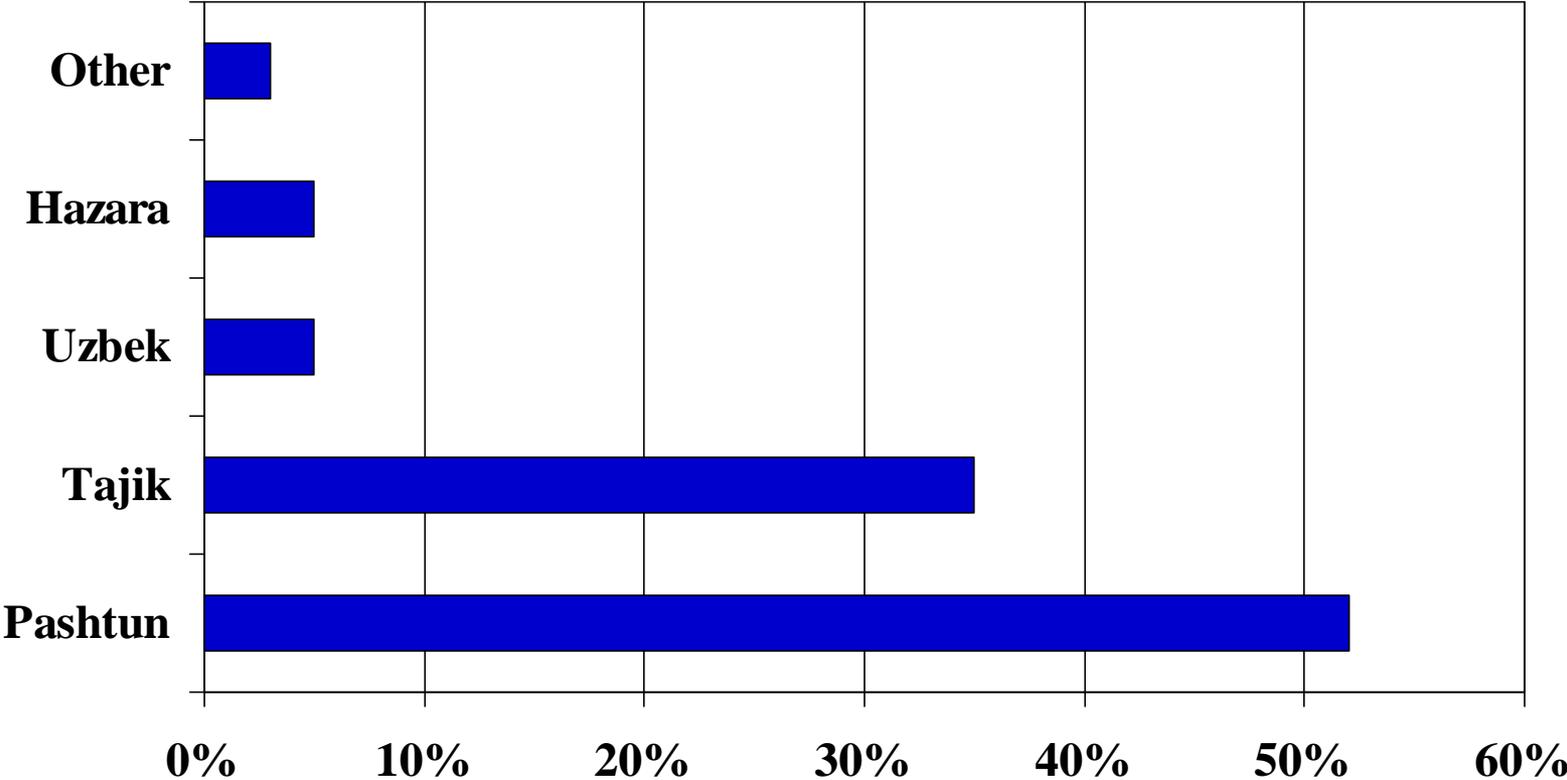
Age Distribution of Sample



Income Levels of Sample



Ethnicity of Sample



Education Levels of Sample

