



Survey of Iraqi Public Opinion

International Republican Institute

July 9 – July 14, 2005

Methodology in Brief

- Face-to-face interviews were conducted July 9 – July 14, 2005
- All field work was conducted by an Iraqi polling firm employing more than 150 trained interviewers across the country
- Interviews occurred in 17 of 18 governorates. For security reasons, Ramadi was not included in this survey
- A total sample of 2,709 valid interviews were obtained from a total sample of 3,000 rendering a response rate of 90.3 percent
- The overall margin of error for the survey is +/- 2.63 percent
- Please contact IRI if more detailed methodological information is required

Demographics in Brief

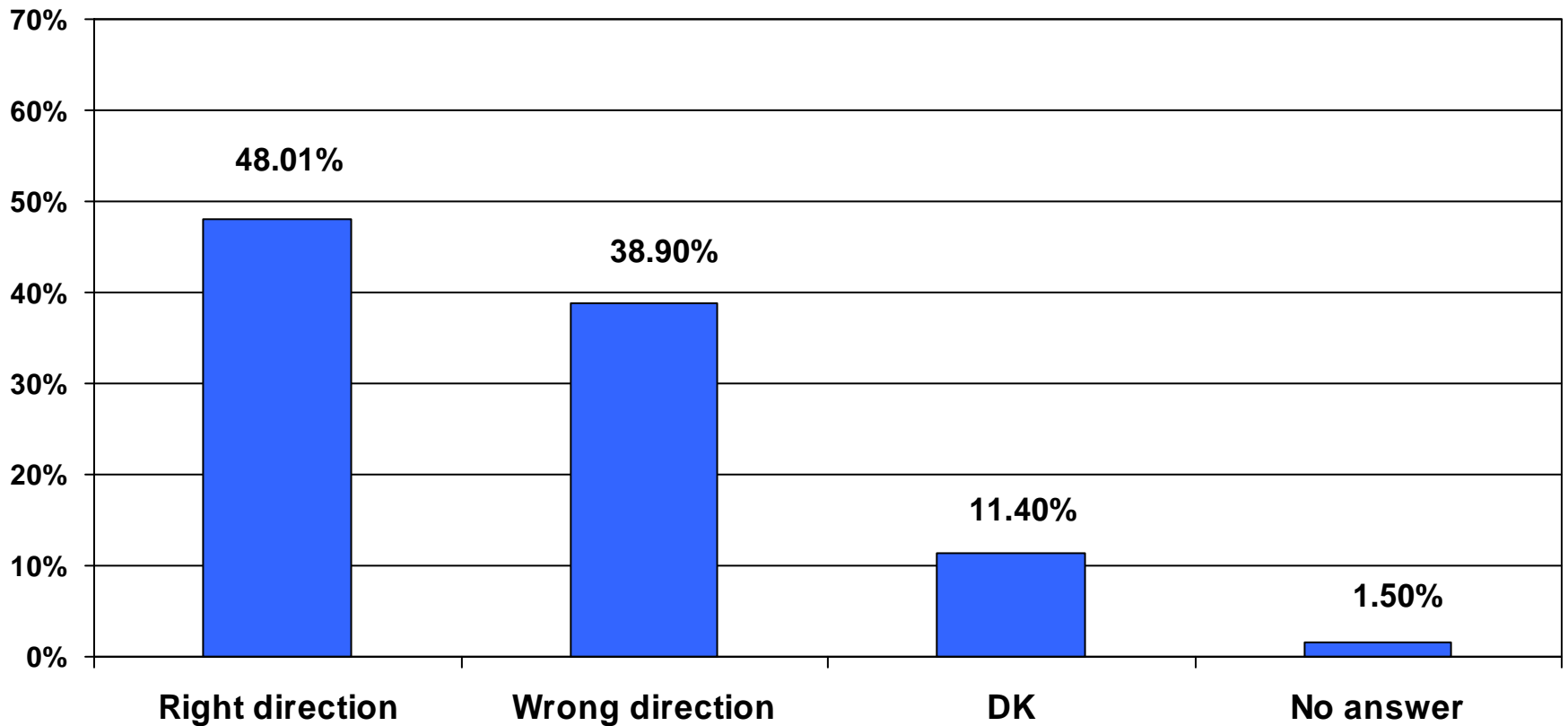
- Representative of 17 of Iraq's 18 provinces—percentage of sample ranging from 4.0 percent in Qadisiyah to 25.8 percent in Baghdad
- Urban sample accounts for 65.3 percent of respondents and rural respondents made up the remaining 34.7 percent
- Male to female ratio of 46.4 percent to 53.6 percent, respectively
- Ethnic distribution: Arabic (79.8%), Kurdish (17.9%), Turkman (1.1%), Chaldo-Assyrian (0.3%), No Answer (0.3%)
- Age distribution: 18-24 (17.8%), 25-34 (31.1%), 35-44 (23.3%), 45-54 (15.8%), 55 and over (11.9%)
- Religious Distribution: Sunni Muslim (30.3%), Shia Muslim (54.2%), Only Muslim (13.7%), Christian and other sects (1.7%)

General Political Environment

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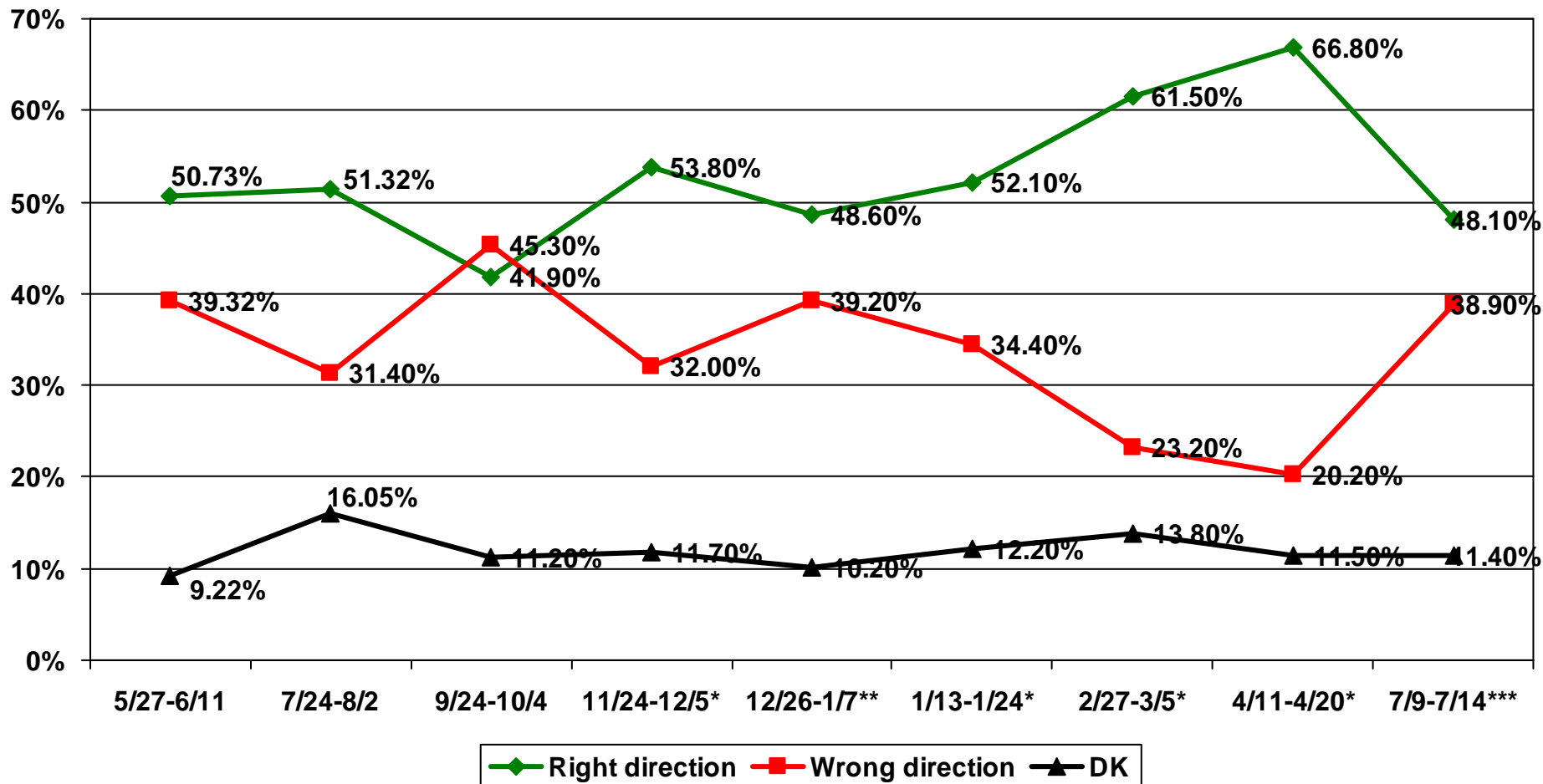
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Trends: May 2004 – July 2005



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Why do you think Iraq is heading in the right/wrong direction?

Right Direction

Freedom and democracy	31.1%
National elected government	16.3%
Improving security situation	15.9%
Improving economic conditions	11.9%
Removing former regime	9.0%

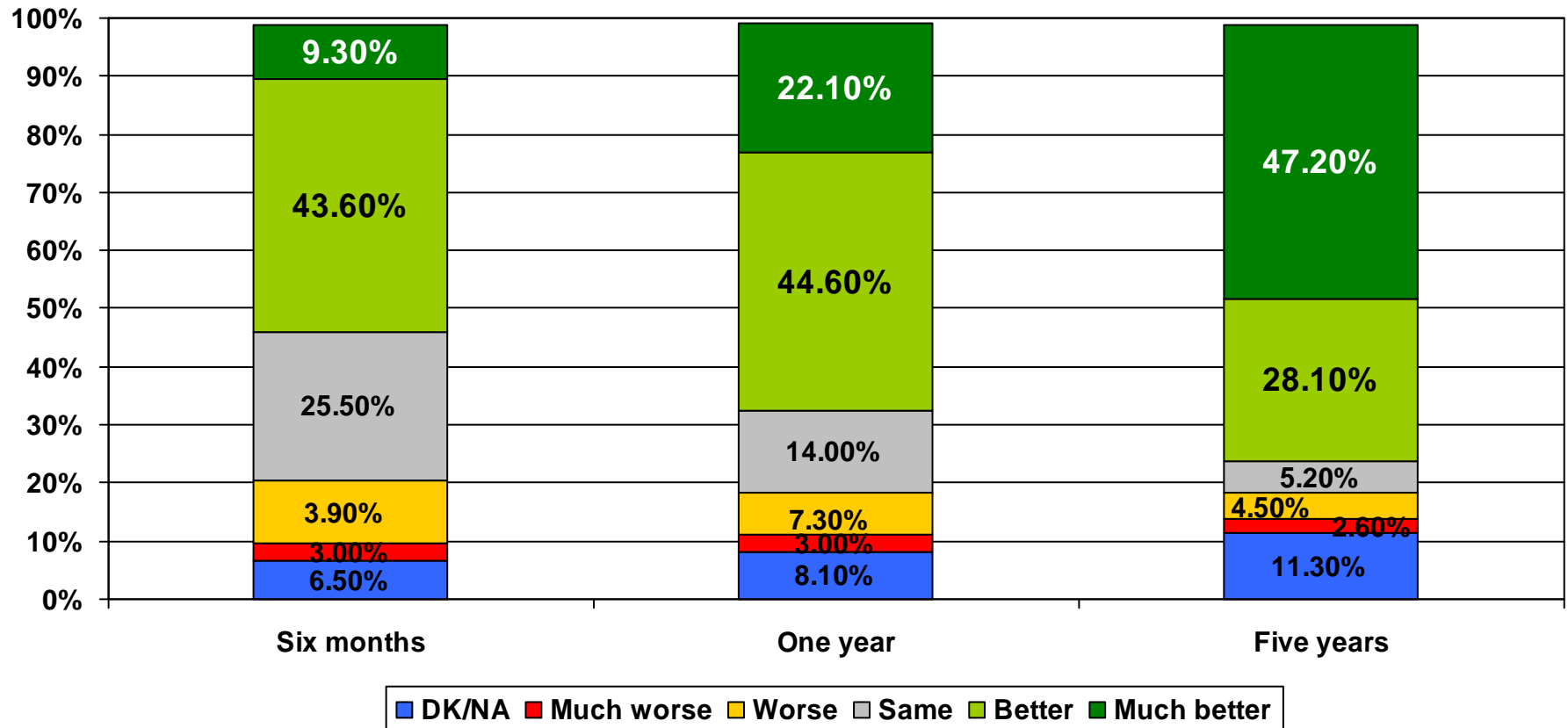
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Wrong Direction

Security/instability	62.5%
Presence of occupation	14.1%
No national government	9.15%
No changes	4.6%
Services not available	3.6%
Unemployment/decline in living standards	2.4%

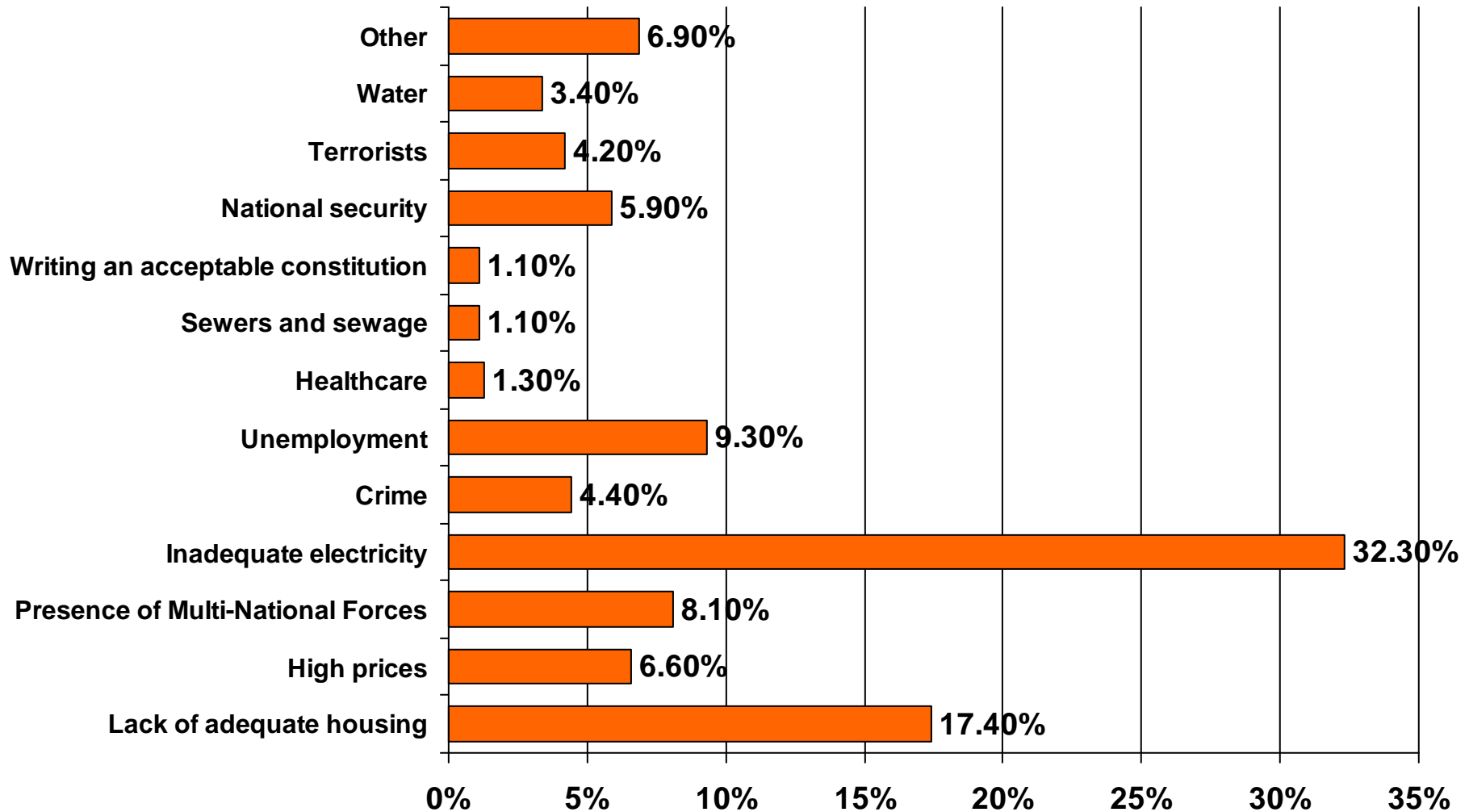
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Thinking about the future, do you feel that things will be better, the same or worse in:

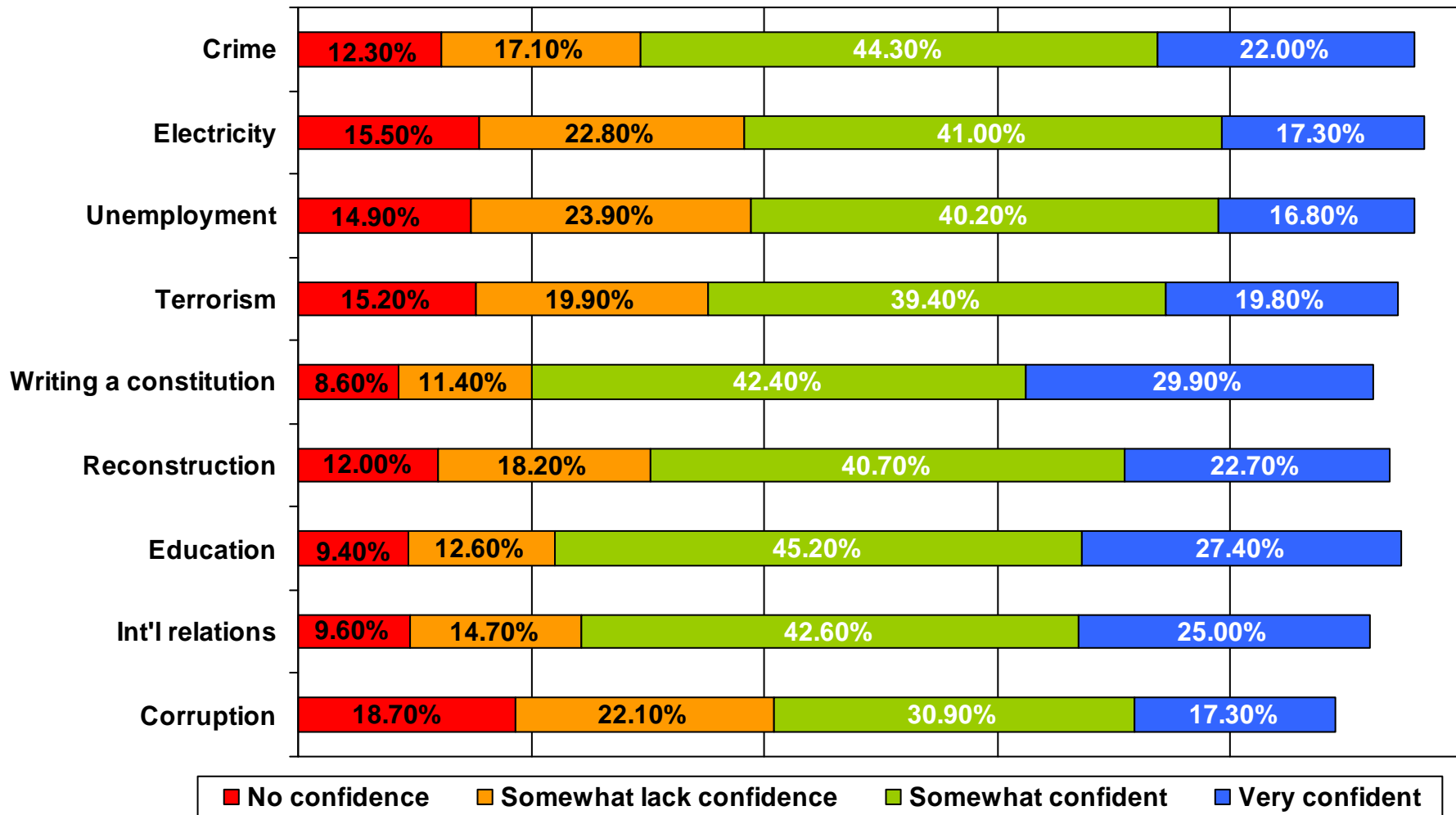


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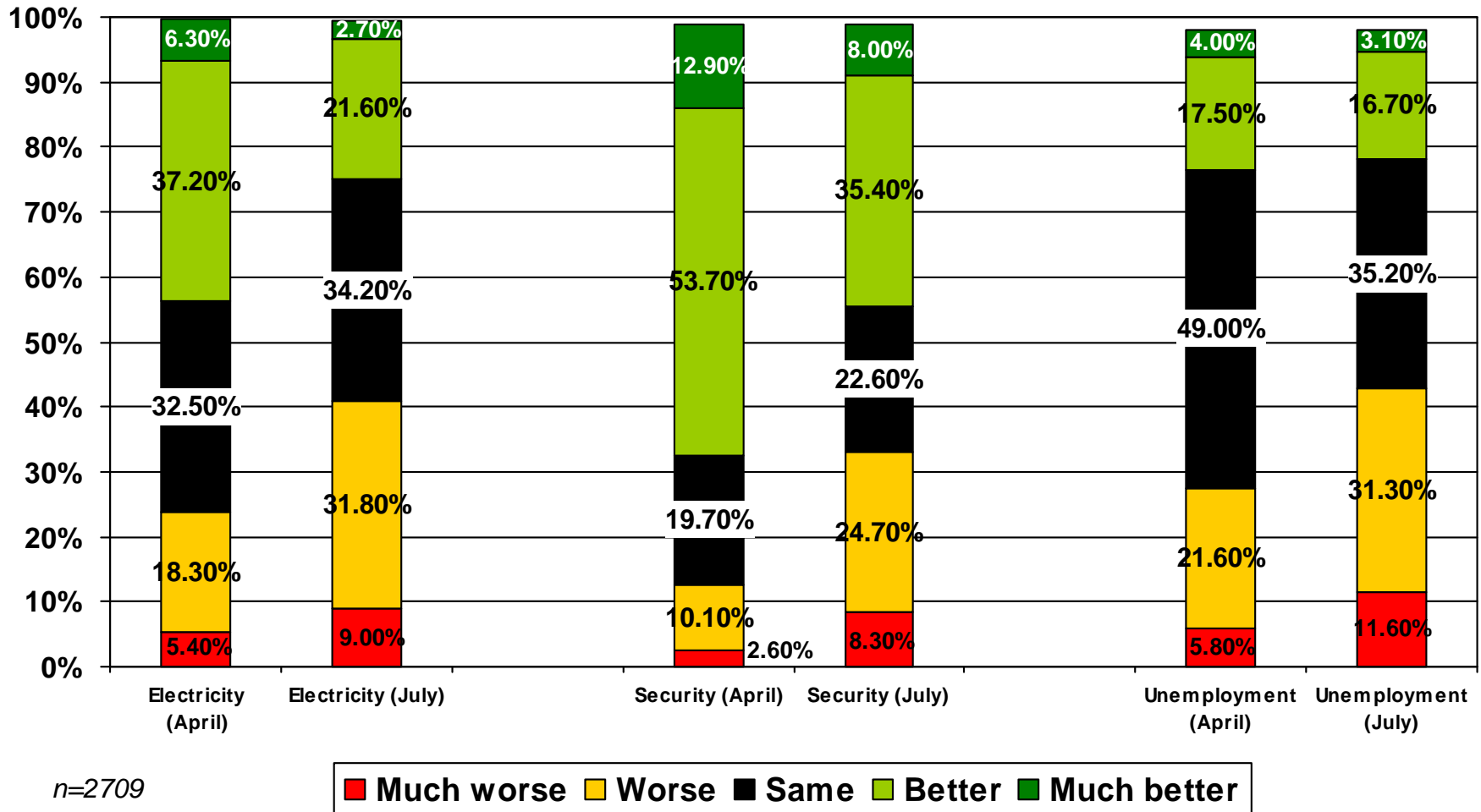
Thinking about the situation of Iraq, what three issues or concerns do you feel most impact your daily life or family?



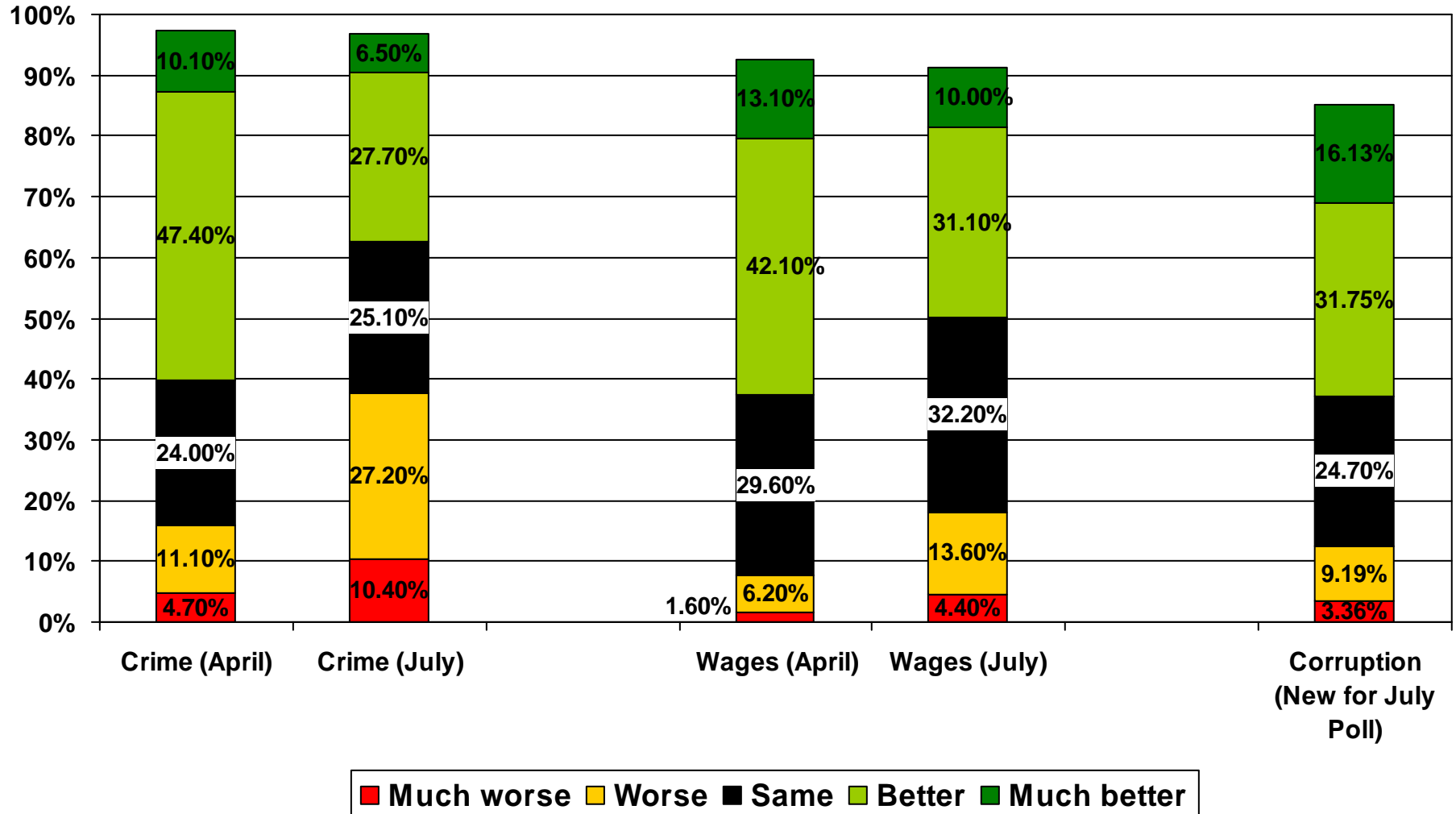
Thinking about the concerns of many Iraqis, what level of confidence do you have in the Iraqi government to effectively address each of the following?



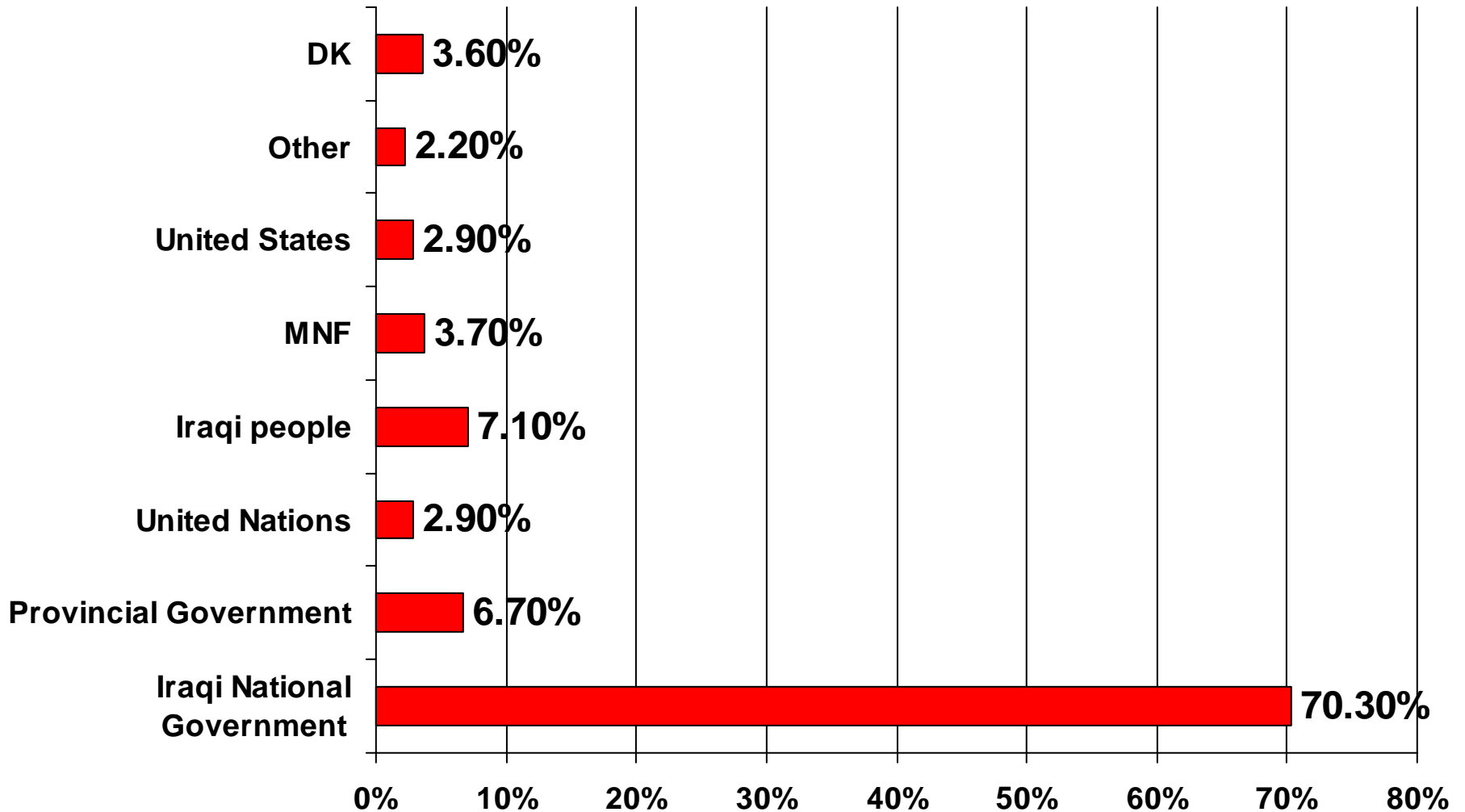
For each of the following issues, please tell me whether you feel that the situation has gotten better, worse or stayed the same over the last three months:



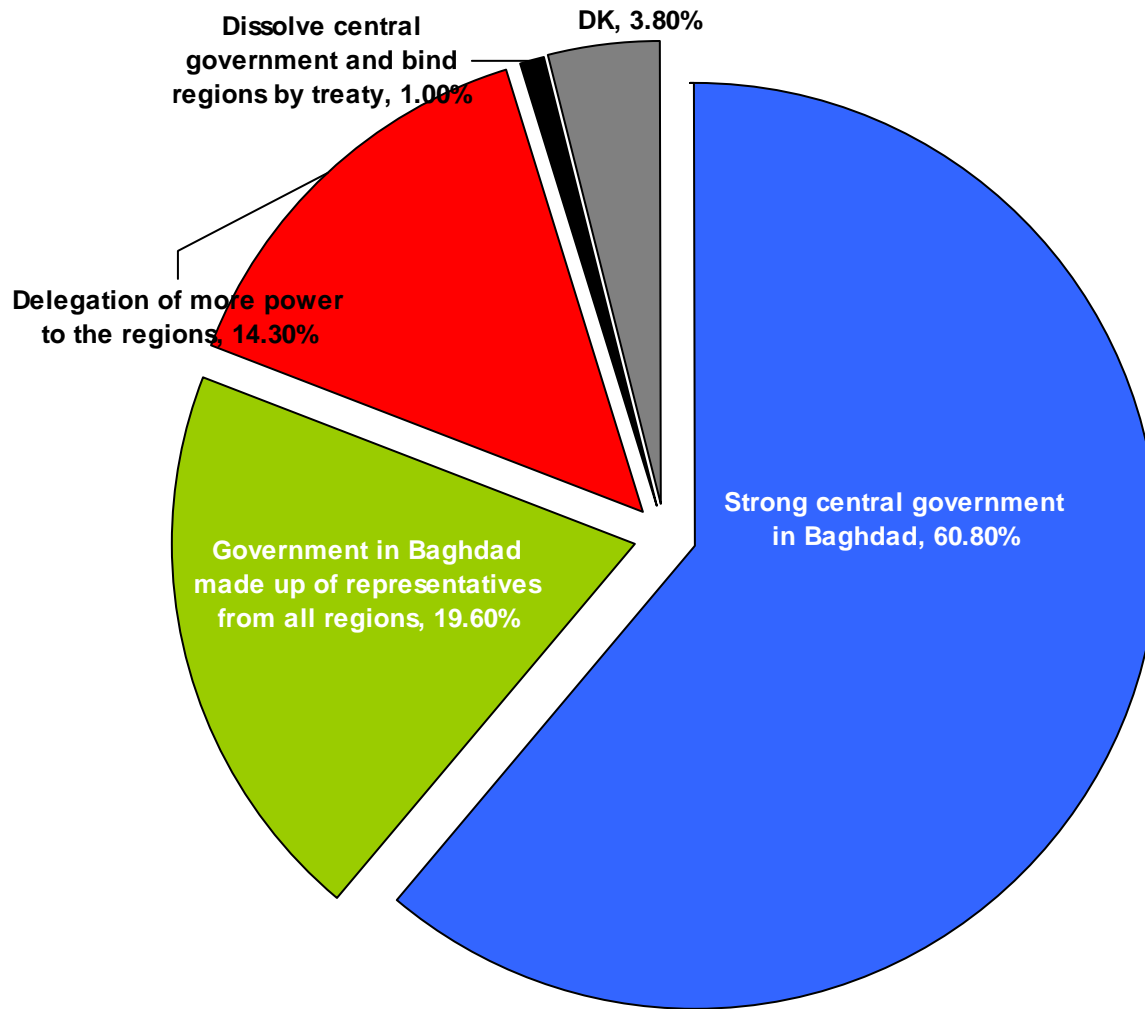
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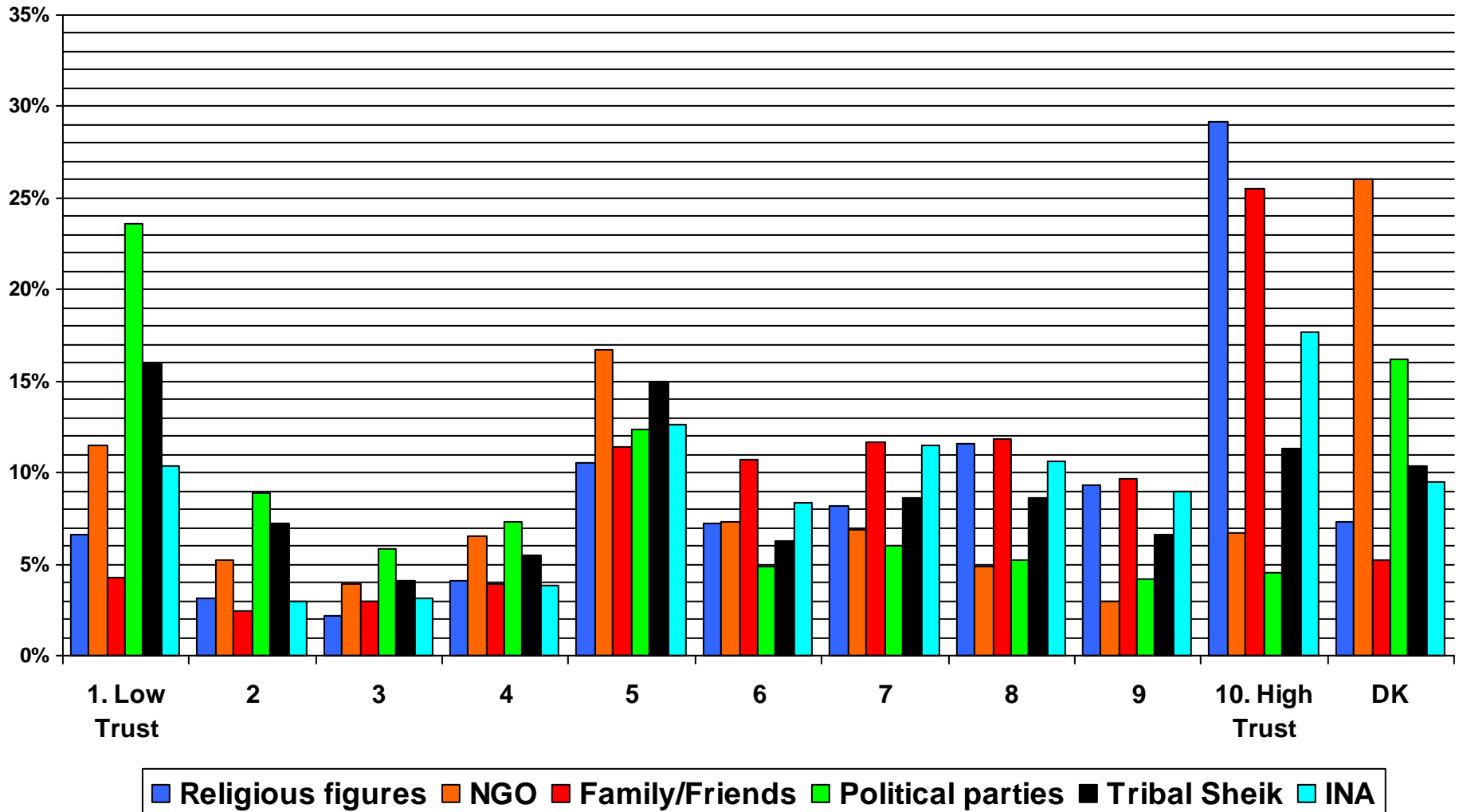
Of the issues you named who do you believe is most responsible for addressing the needs of the Iraqi people?



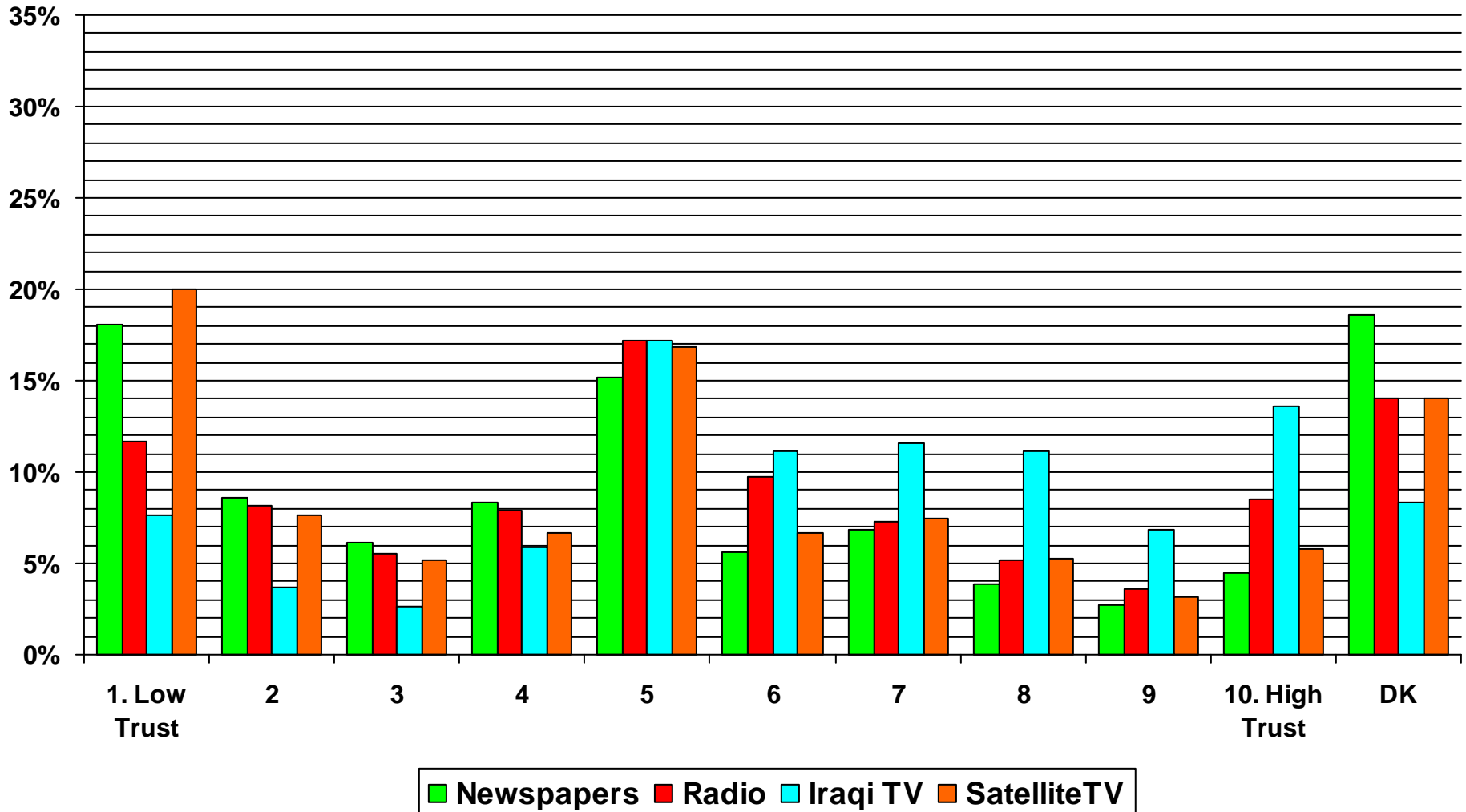
Thinking about those issues that concern you most, which of the following types of government do you think would best serve your interests?



On a scale of 1 to 10, with one being the lowest level and 10 the highest, please rank the level of trust you have in information about elections and the political process coming from each of the following sources:



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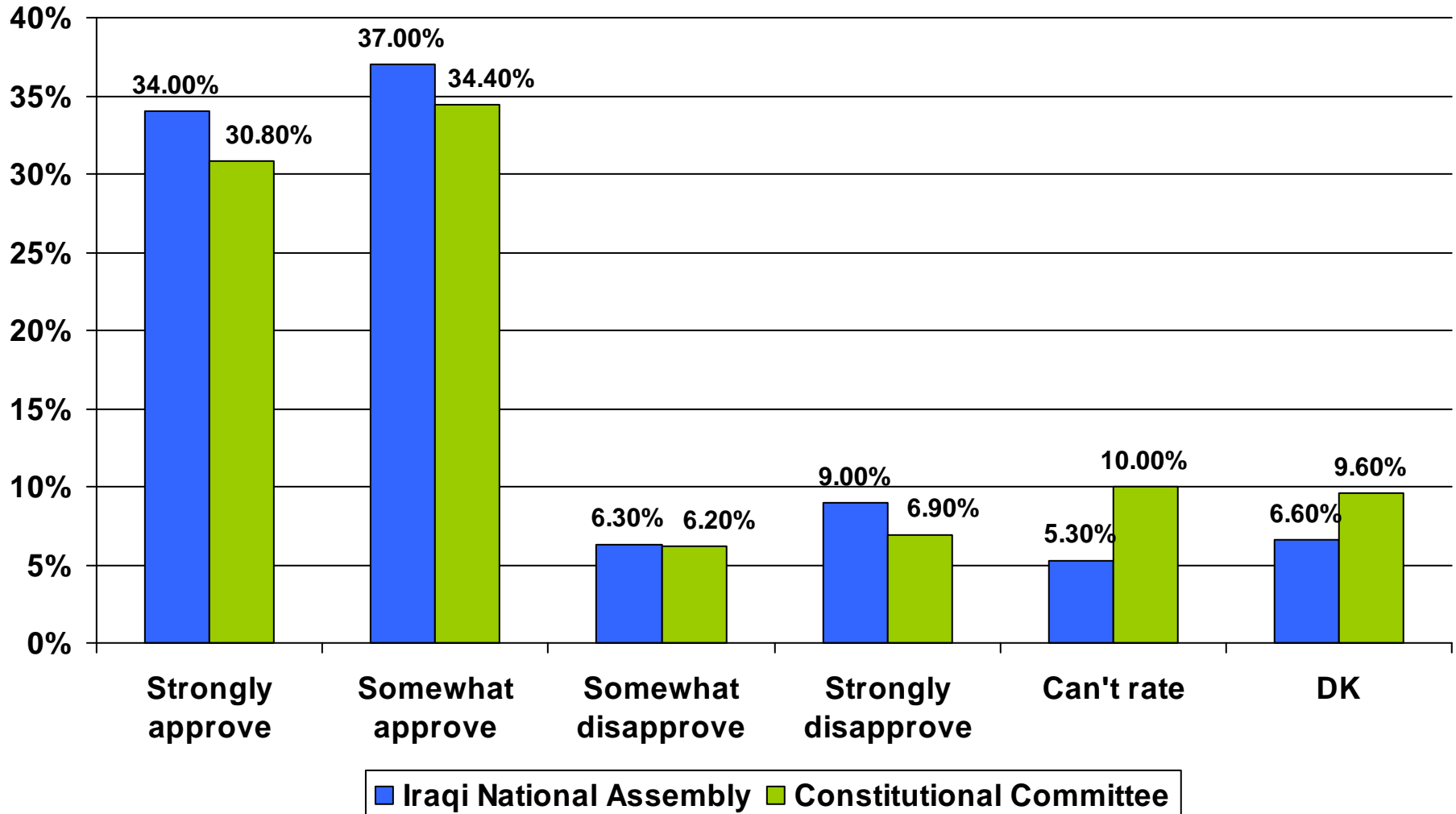


Citizen attitudes towards the Iraqi Government and Constitutional Committee

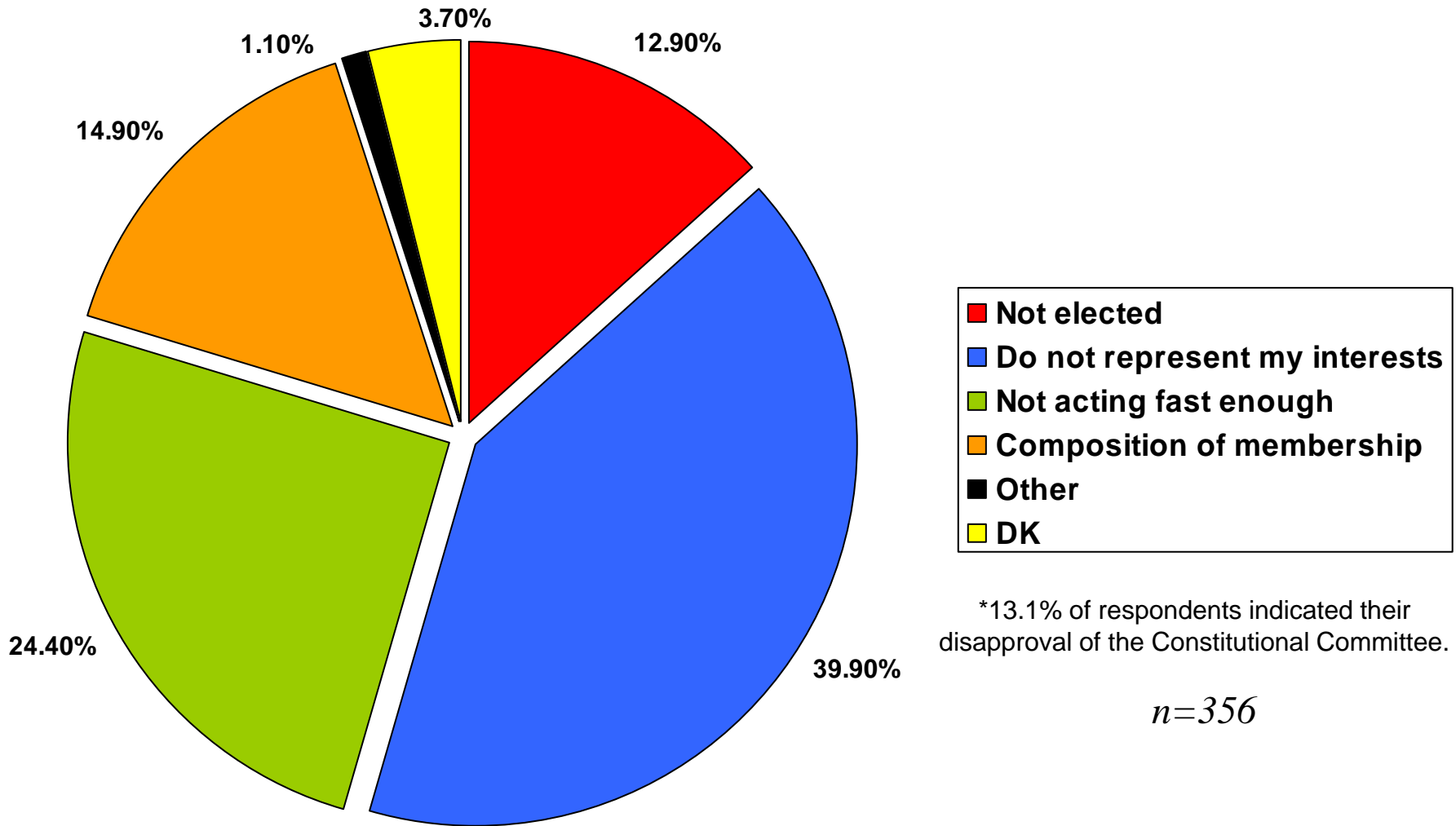
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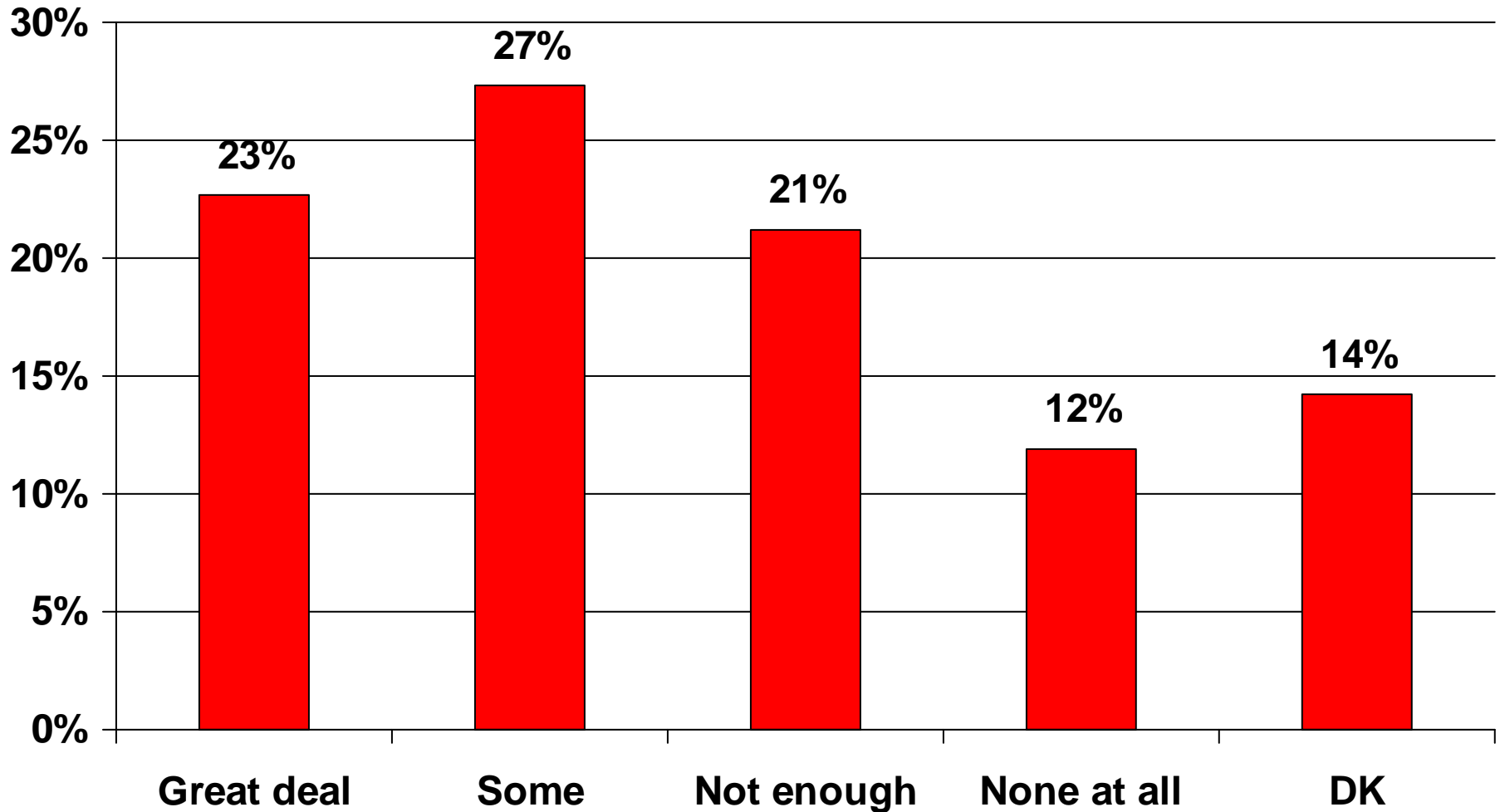
Do you approve strongly, somewhat approve, somewhat disapprove or strongly disapprove of the Iraqi National Assembly (INA)/Constitutional Committee?



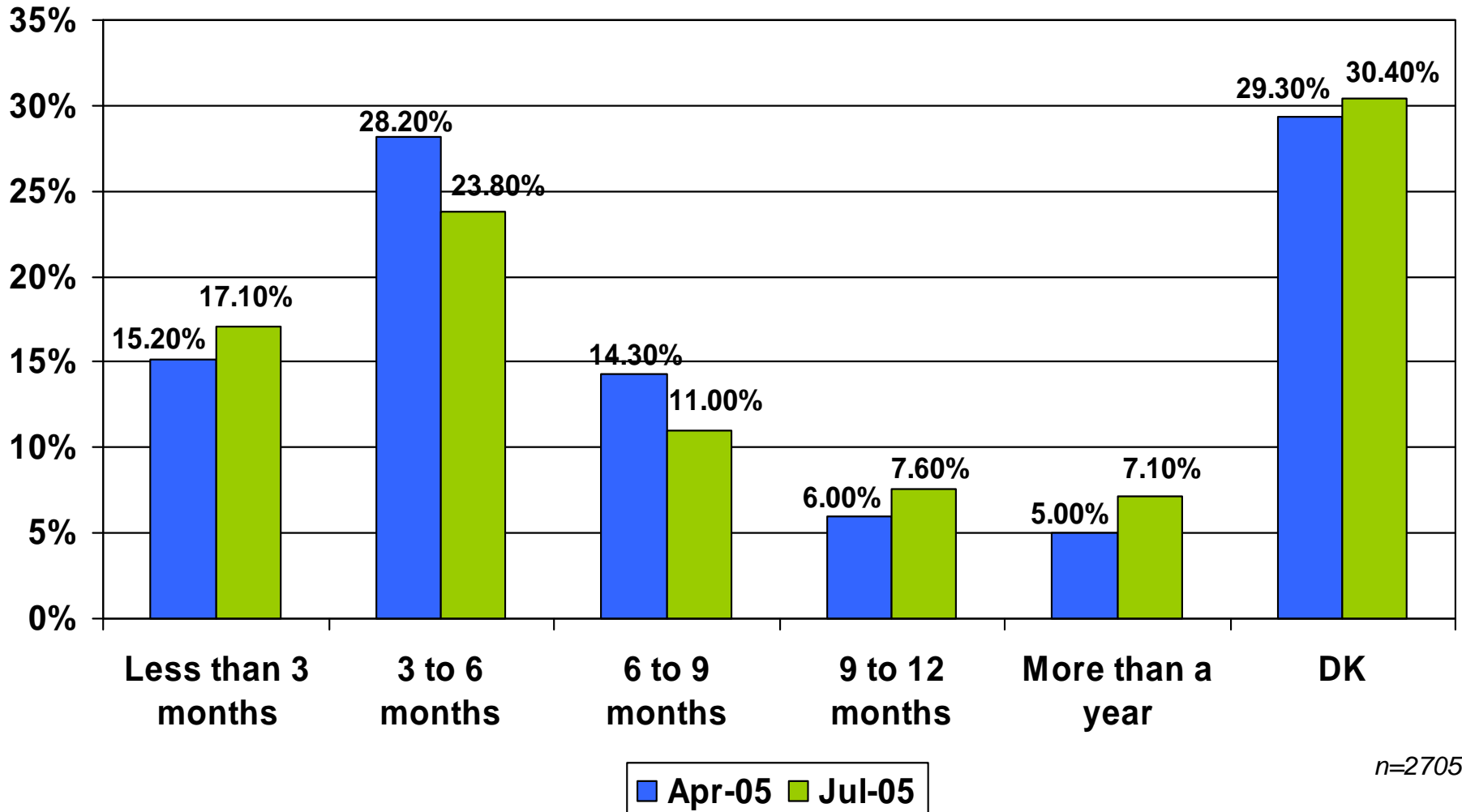
If you do not approve of the Constitutional Committee, what is your reason?*



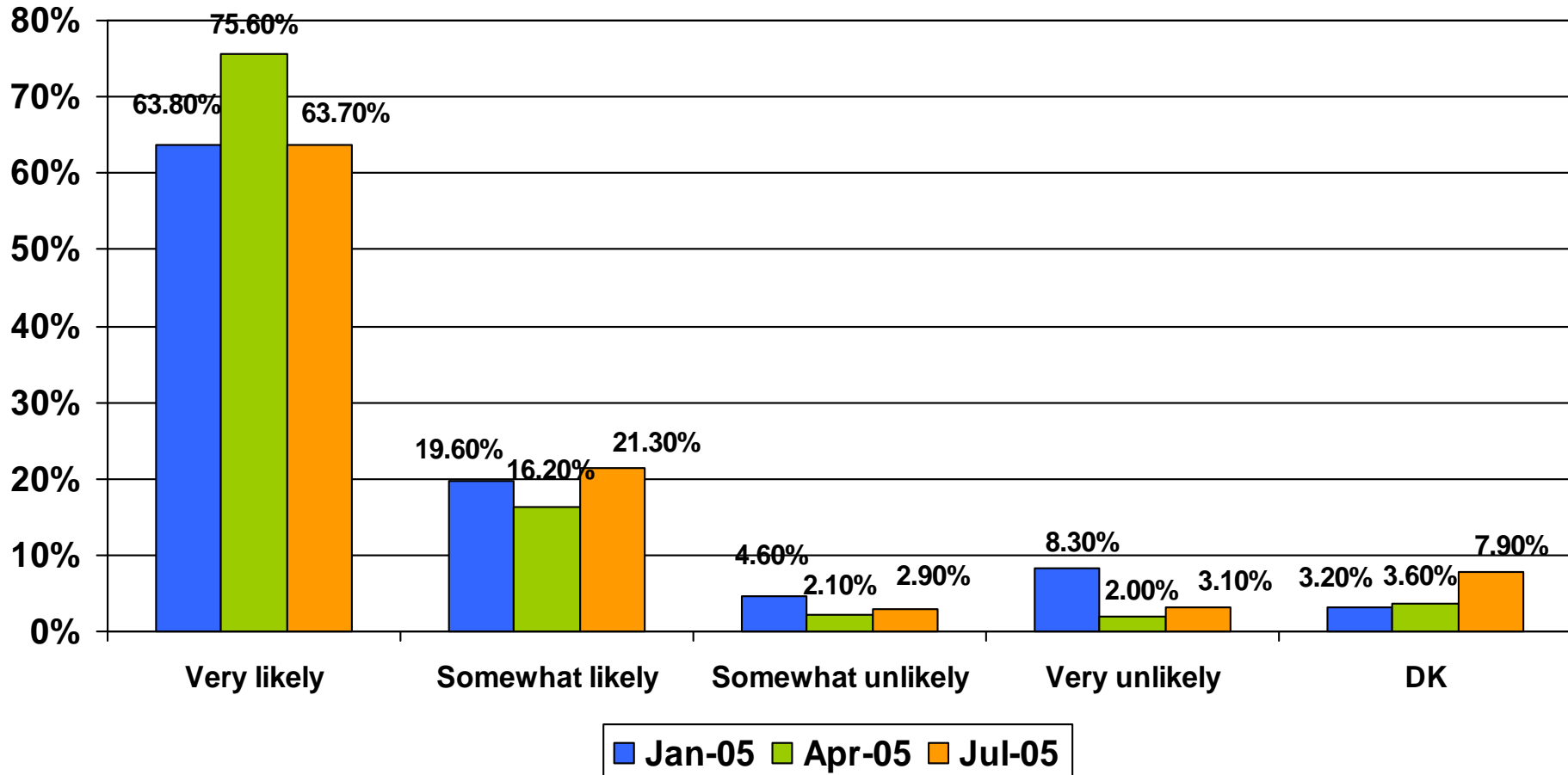
In your opinion, how much progress has the INA and the Constitutional Committee made in drafting a constitution?



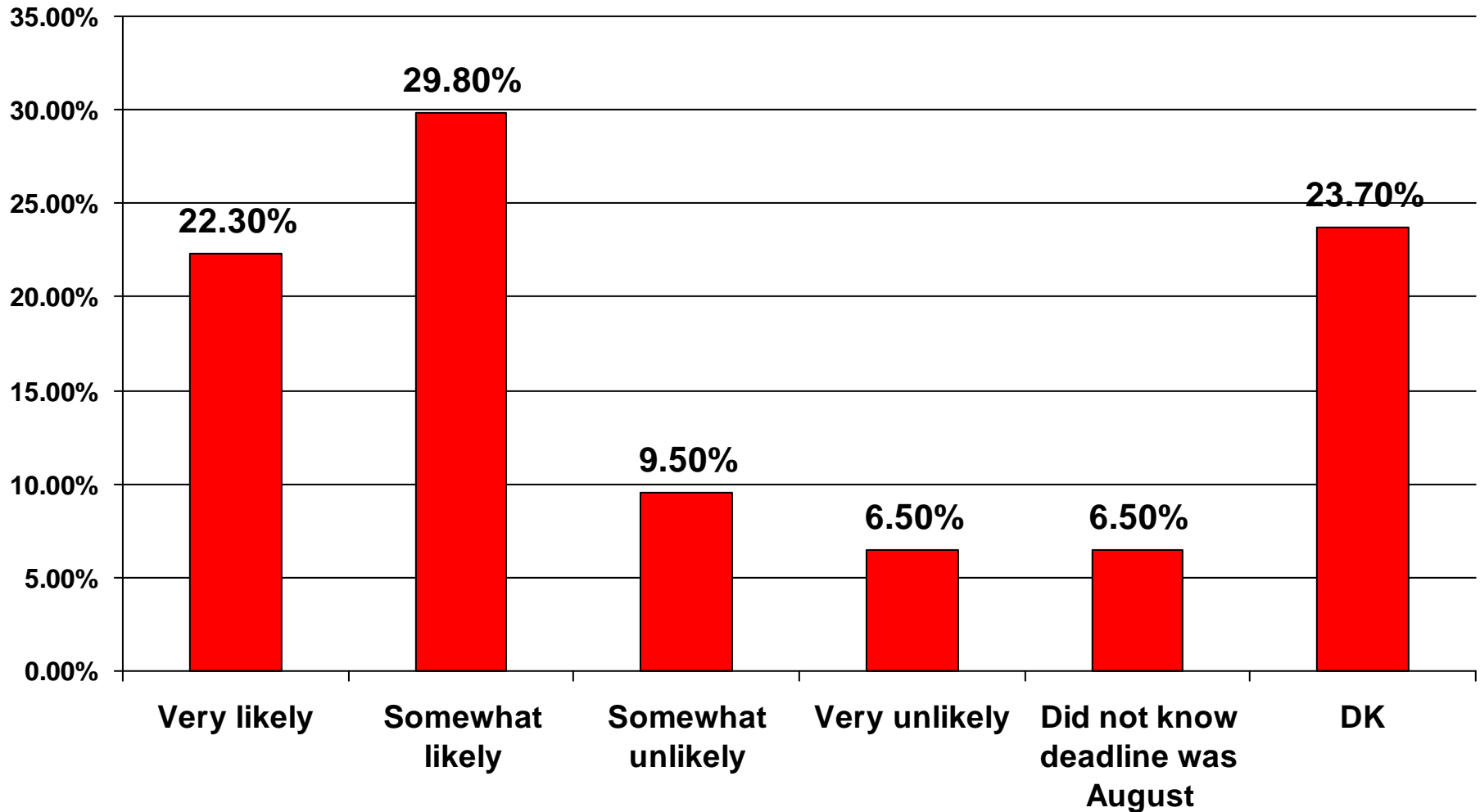
How long do you think it should take the INA to write the constitution?



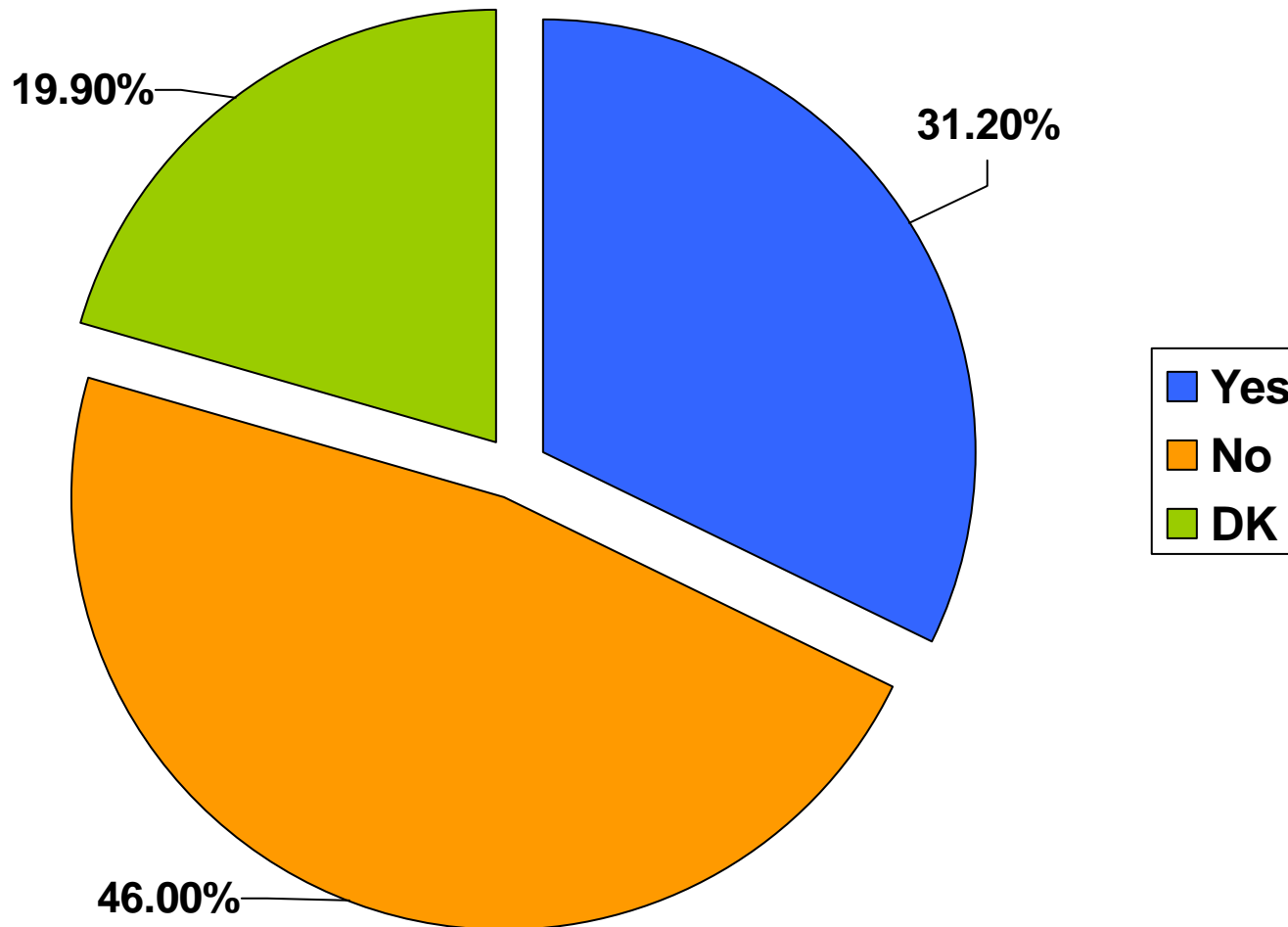
Do you intend to vote in the constitutional referendum currently scheduled for October 2005?



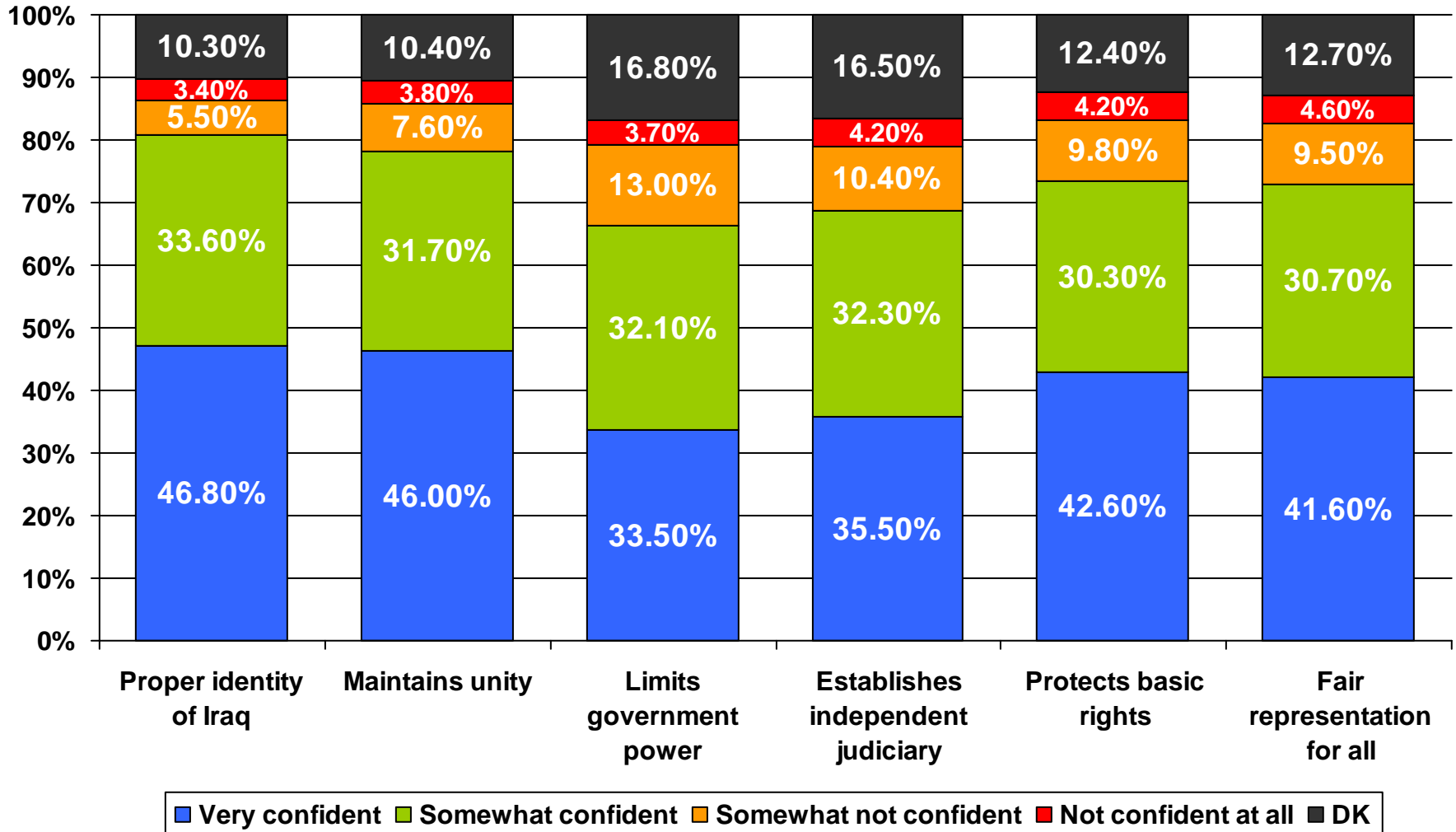
In your opinion, how likely is it that the INA will meet the August 15 deadline for having a constitution drafted for approval in the referendum?



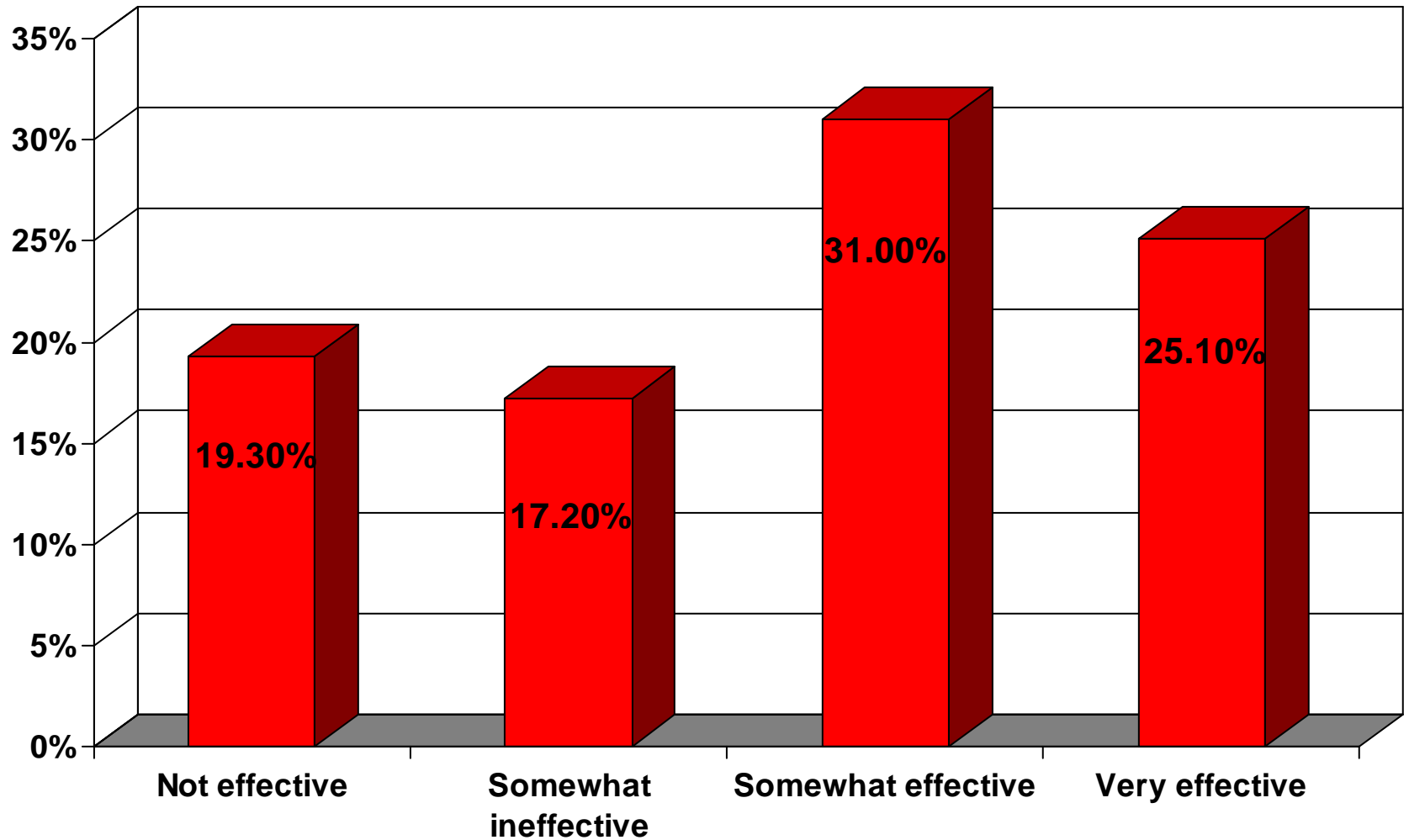
Would it be appropriate for the INA to implement the six month delay allowed for by the Transitional Administrative Law if constitutional issues remain?



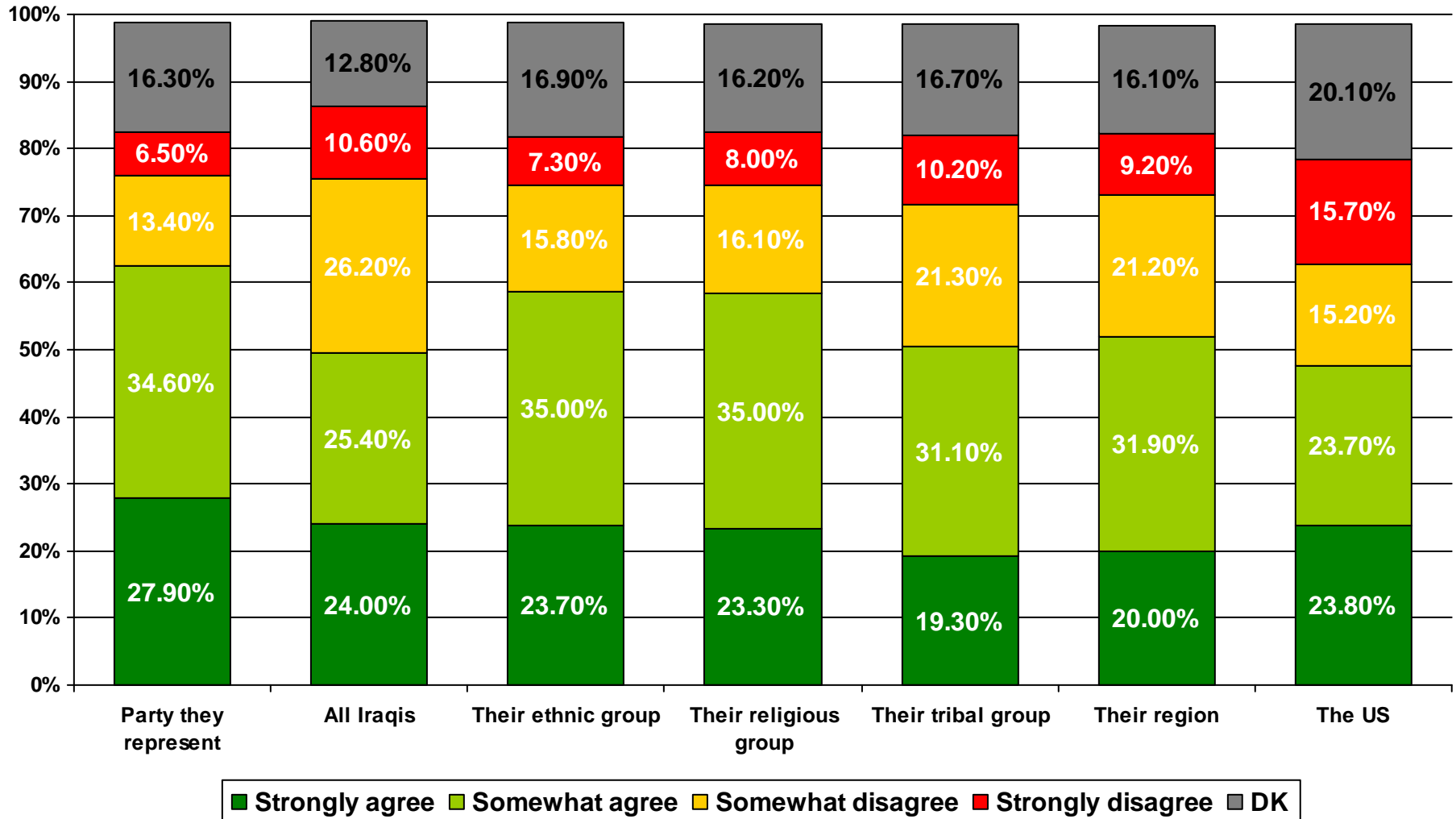
Thinking about the Constitutional Committee, what level of overall confidence do you have in its drafting a constitution that...?



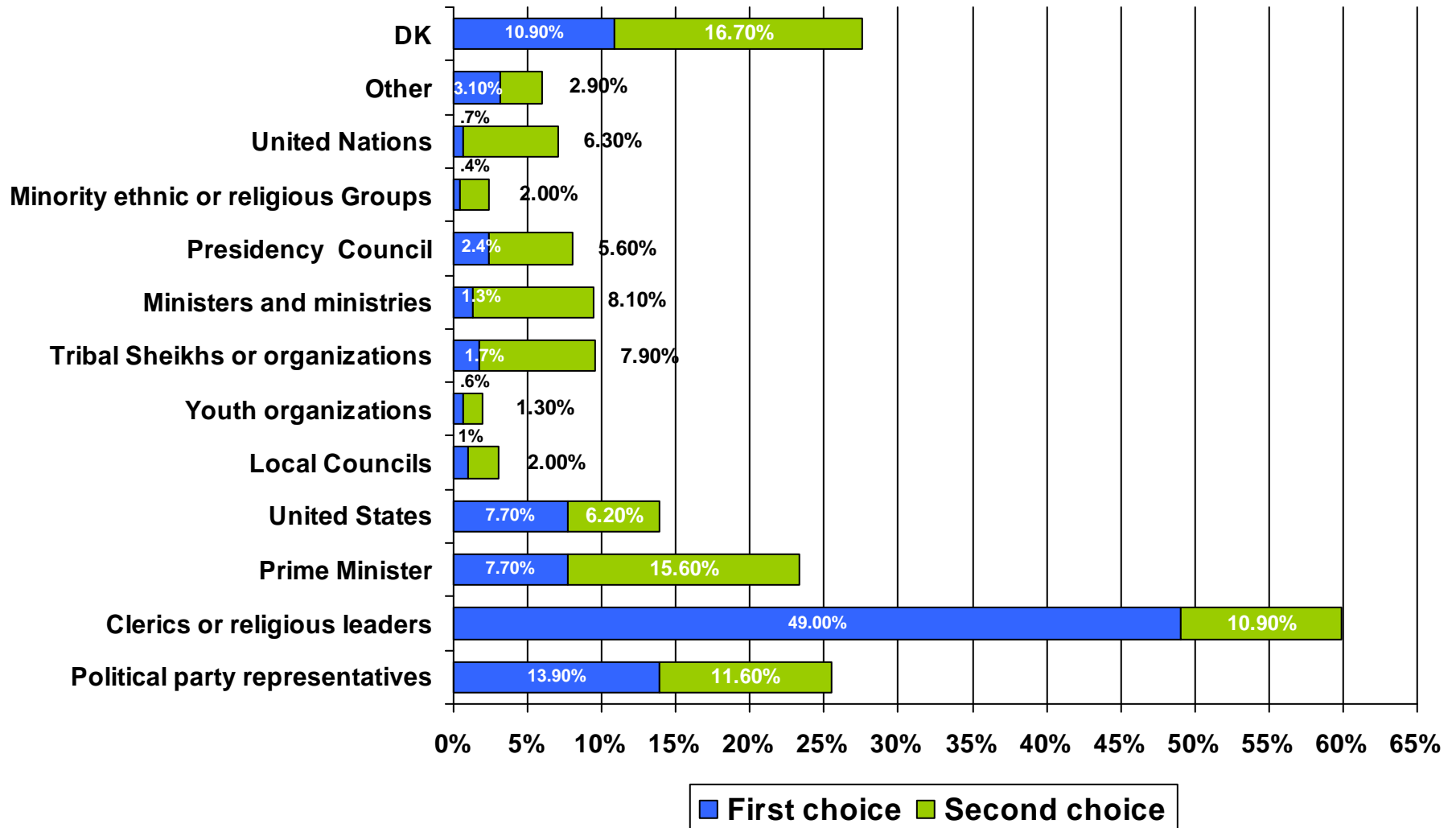
What level of overall effectiveness do you have in Prime Minister Ibrahim Jaffari?



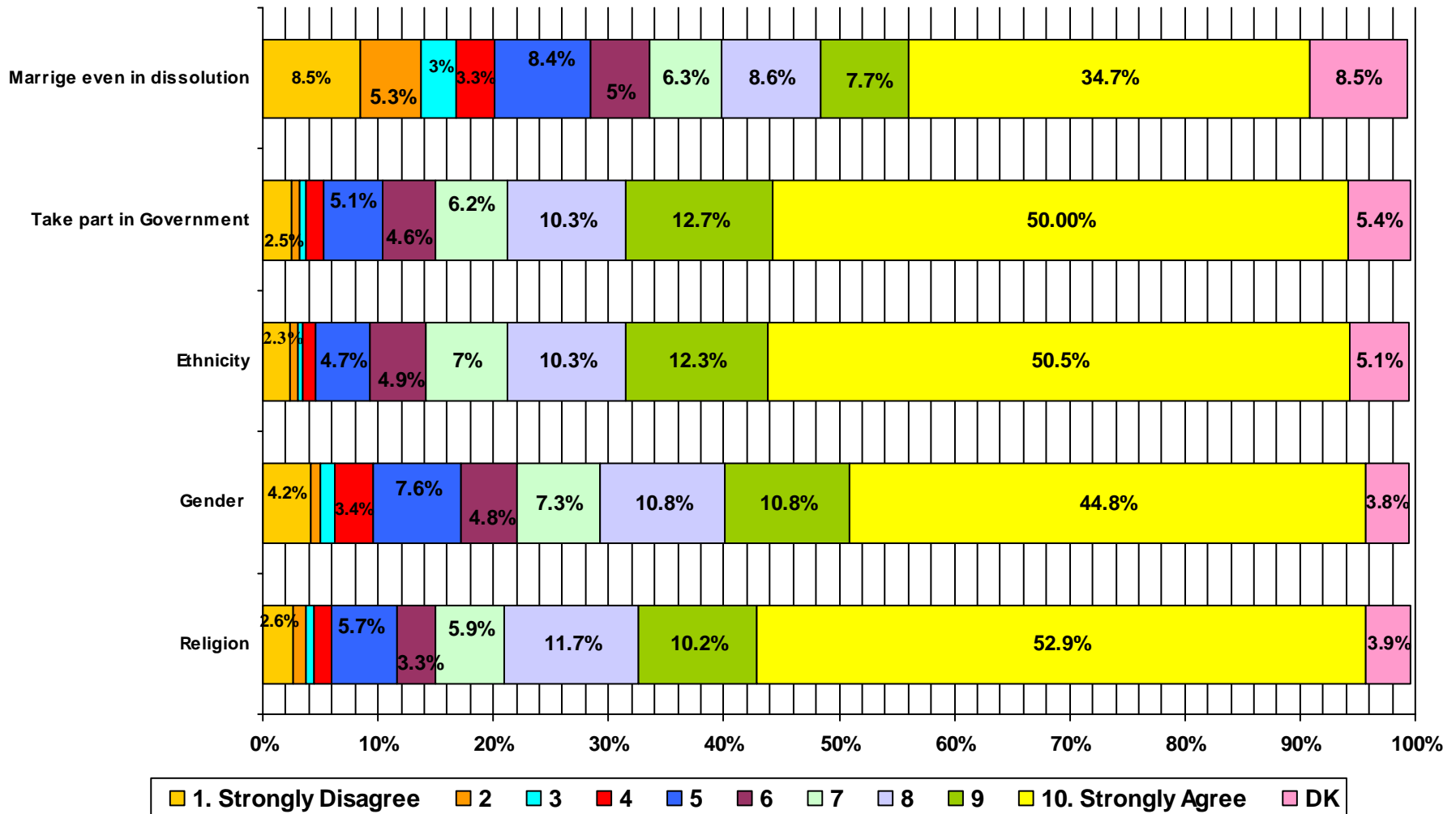
Thinking of the Iraqi National Assembly, do you agree or disagree that it is serving the needs of the following:



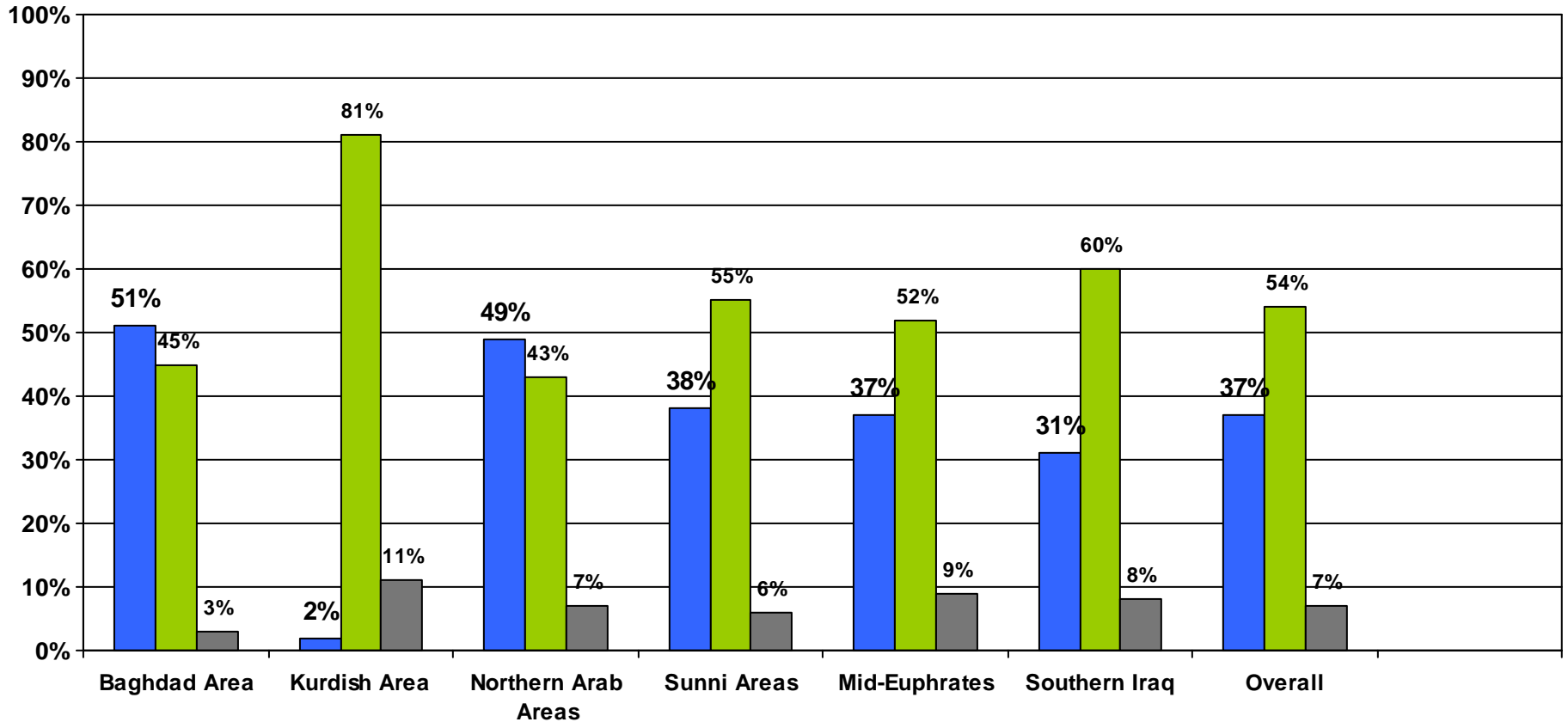
In writing the constitution, who's input or ideas do you feel should be most important in creating a document that is acceptable to the Iraqi people?



On a scale of 1 to 10, with 1 being you strongly disagree and 10 being you strongly agree, how would you rate your support for having the following provisions as part of the new Iraqi Constitution? All Iraqis are equal in their rights with regard to....

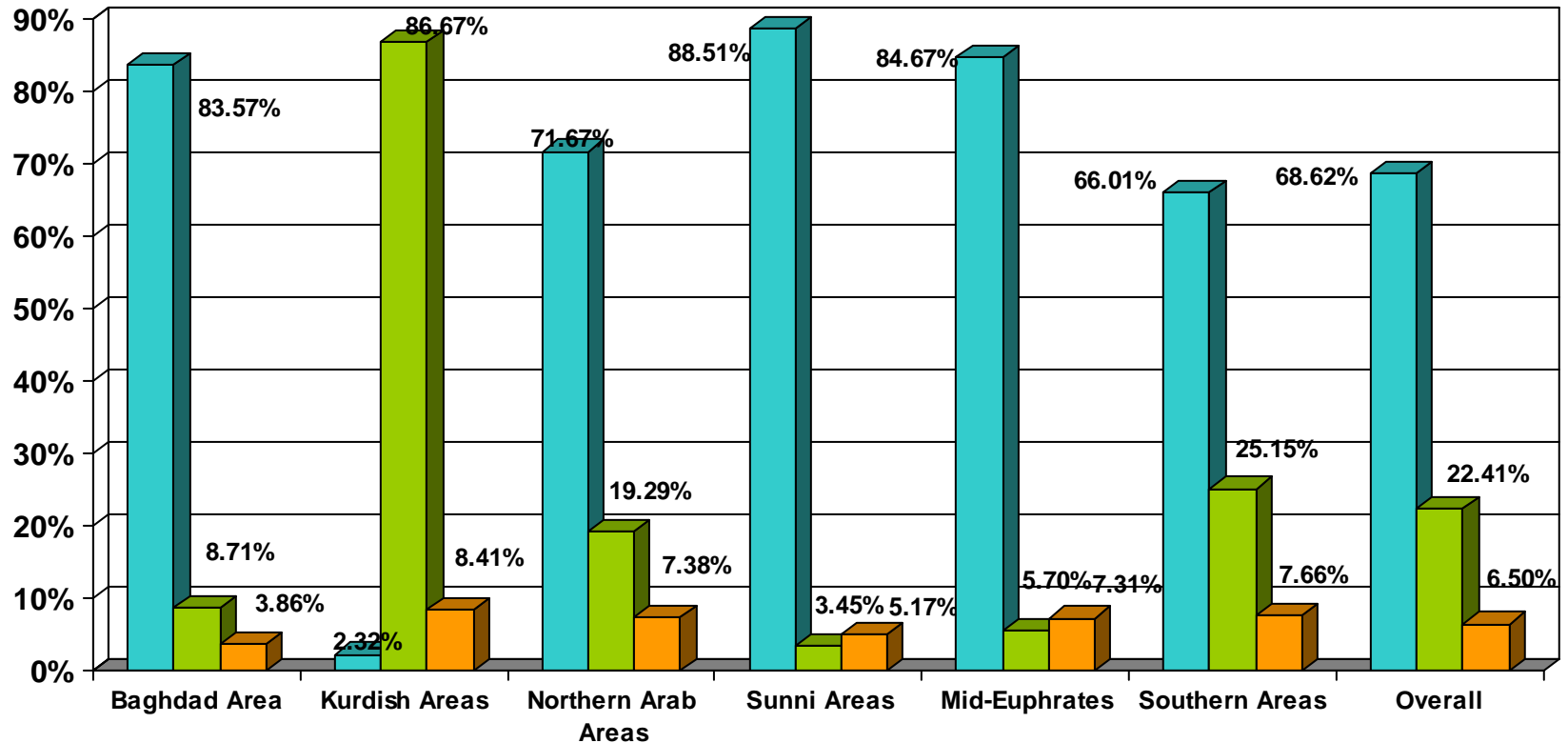


Please tell me in your opinion which you would prefer to have as part of a new Iraqi constitution:



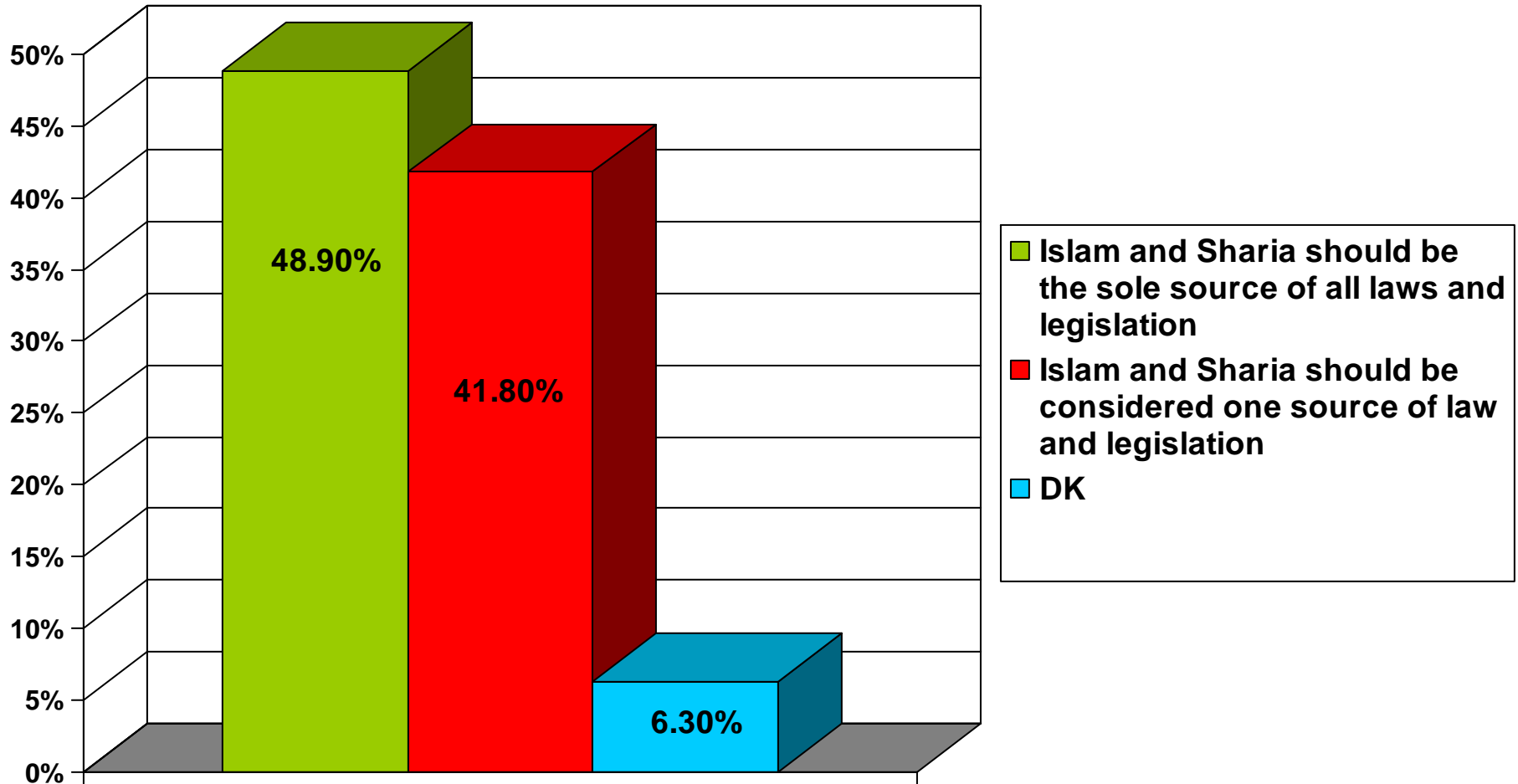
- The new Iraqi constitution should affirm the Arab identity of Iraq
- The new Iraqi constitution should affirm an Iraqi identity based on citizenship
- DK

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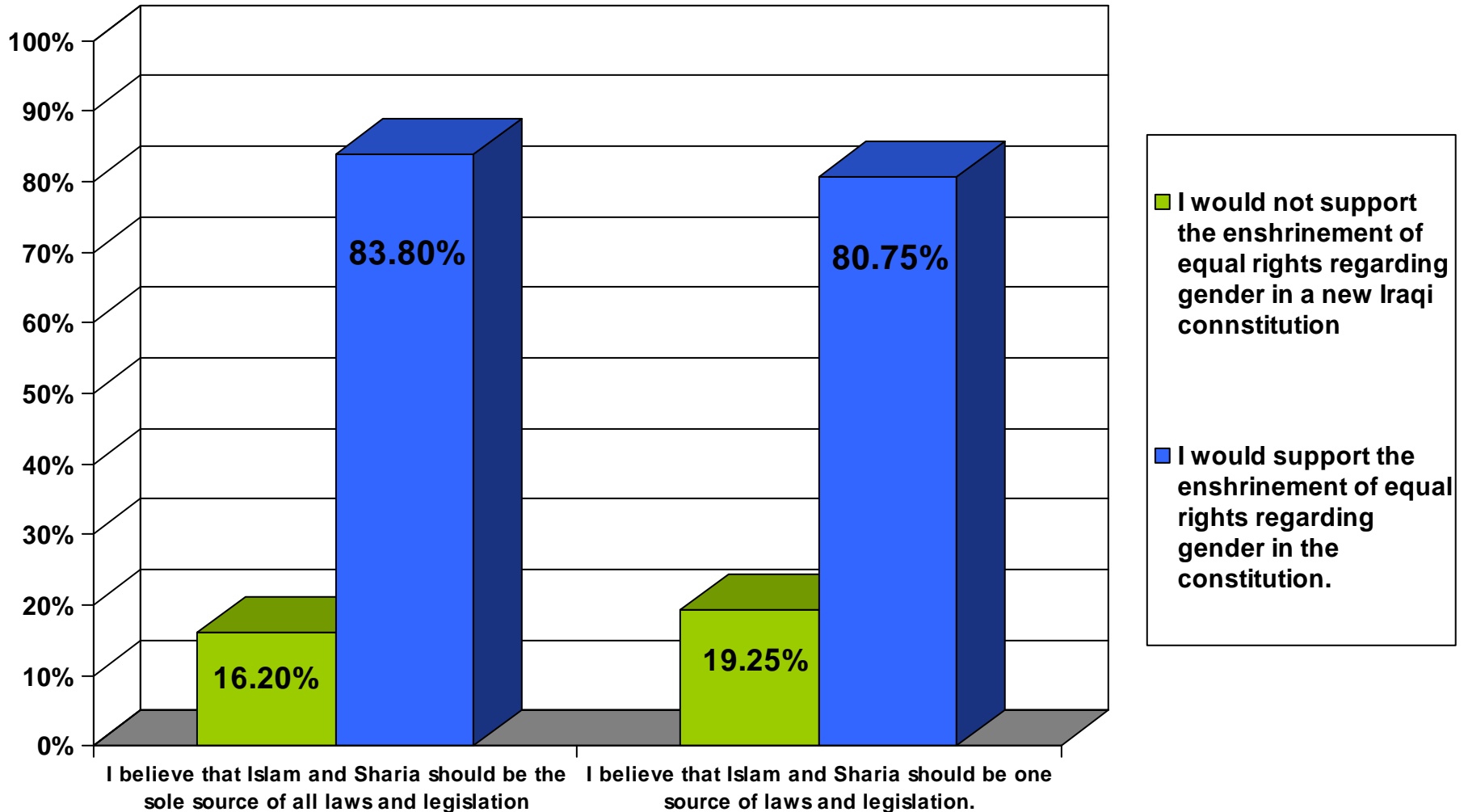


- The new Iraqi constitution should establish a strong, central government
- The new Iraqi constitution should give significant powers to regional governments
- DK

Please tell me in your opinion which you would prefer to have as part of a new Iraqi constitution:



Do you support the enshrinement of equal rights regarding gender in a new Iraqi constitution?



In your opinion, do you agree or disagree that a regional government should have the authority over the central government to manage its own.....

