

### Survey of Iraqi Public Opinion

International Republican Institute
September 6 – September 12, 2005



#### Methodology in Brief

- Face-to-face interviews conducted September 6 12, 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, Al Anbar/Ramadi was not included in this survey
- A total sample of 2,728 valid interviews were obtained from a total sample of 3,000 rendering a response rate of 91 percent
- The overall margin of error for this survey is +/- 3 percent
- Please contact IRI if more detailed methodological information is required

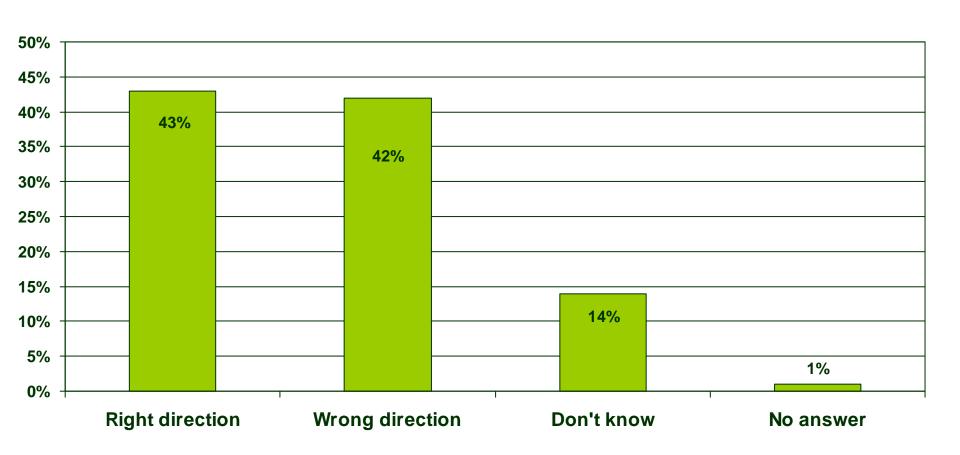


#### Demographics in Brief

- Representative of 17 of Iraq's 18 provinces—percentage of sample ranging from 4 percent in Wasit to 26 percent in Baghdad
- Ethnic distribution: Arabic (82%), Kurdish (15%), Turkmen (2%), Chaldo-Assyrian (less than one percent), Kildanian (less than one percent)
- Urban sample accounts for 66 percent of respondents and rural respondents made up the remaining 34 percent
- Male to female ratio is 49 percent to 52 percent, respectively
- Age distribution: 18-24 (20%), 25-34 (33%), 35-44 (24%), 45-54 (12%), 55 and over (12%)
- Religious Distribution: Sunni Muslim (7.6%), Shia Muslim (29%), Only Muslim (63%), Christian and other sects (1%)

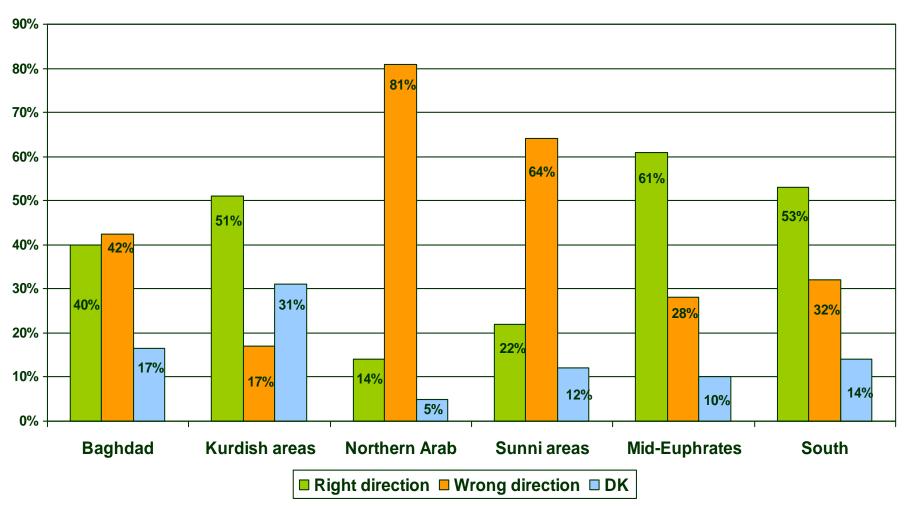


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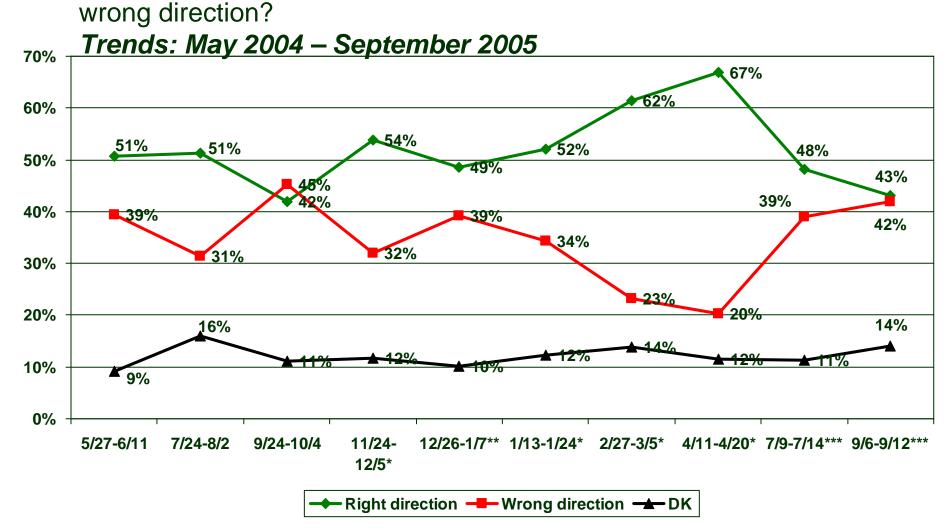




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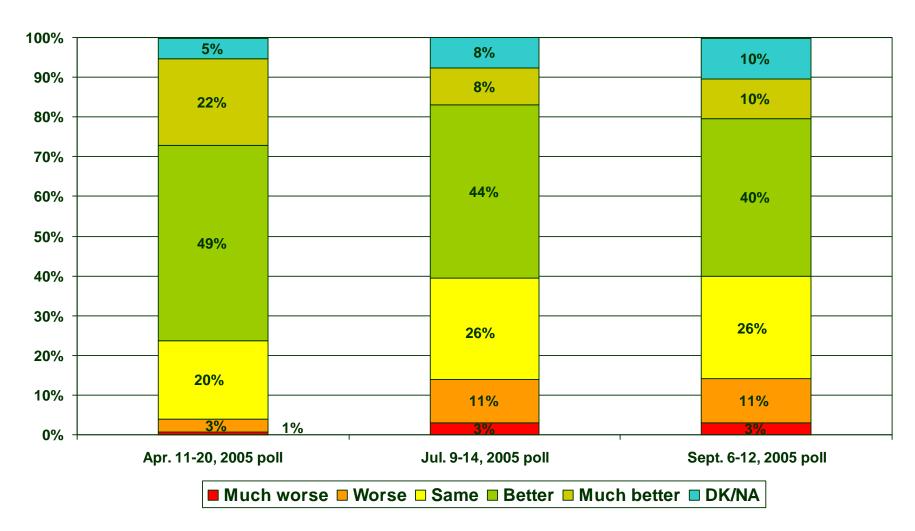
#### **Right Direction**

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National elected government	26%
Democracy and Liberty	22%
Writing the constitution	11%
Generally improving conditions	9%
Improving security situation	9%
Getting rid of former regime	7%

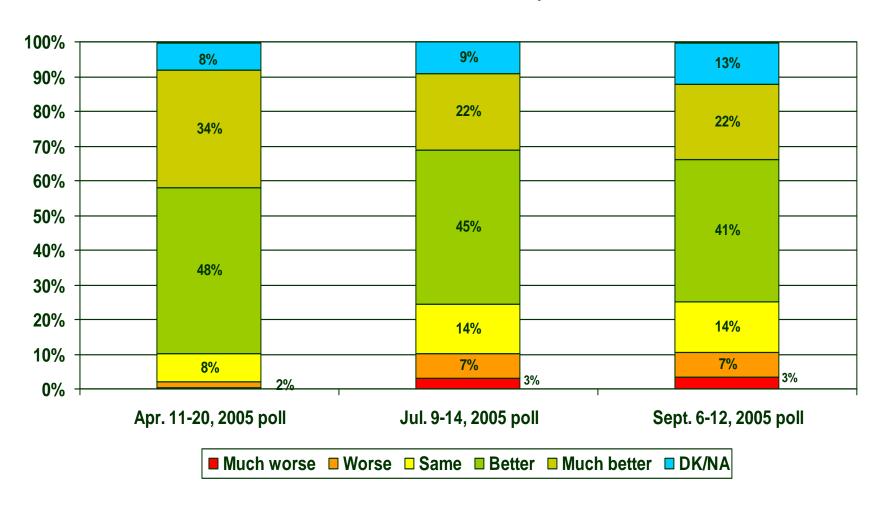
Security/instability	44%
Presence of occupation	17%
Inactive national government	8%
Terrorism	8%
Services not available	5%
Lack of national unity	3%

#### Thinking about the future, do you feel that things will be better, the same or worse in six months?

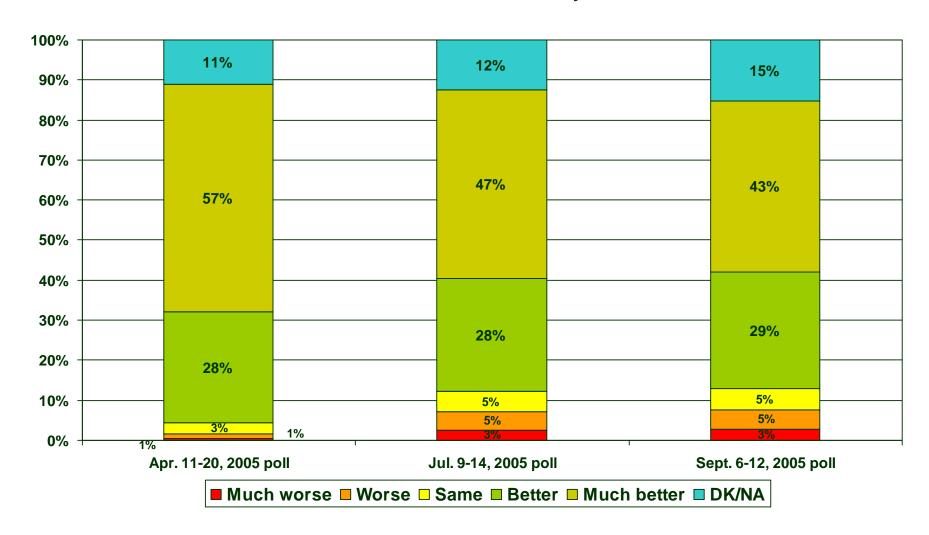




## Thinking about the future, do you feel that things will be better, the same or worse in one year?

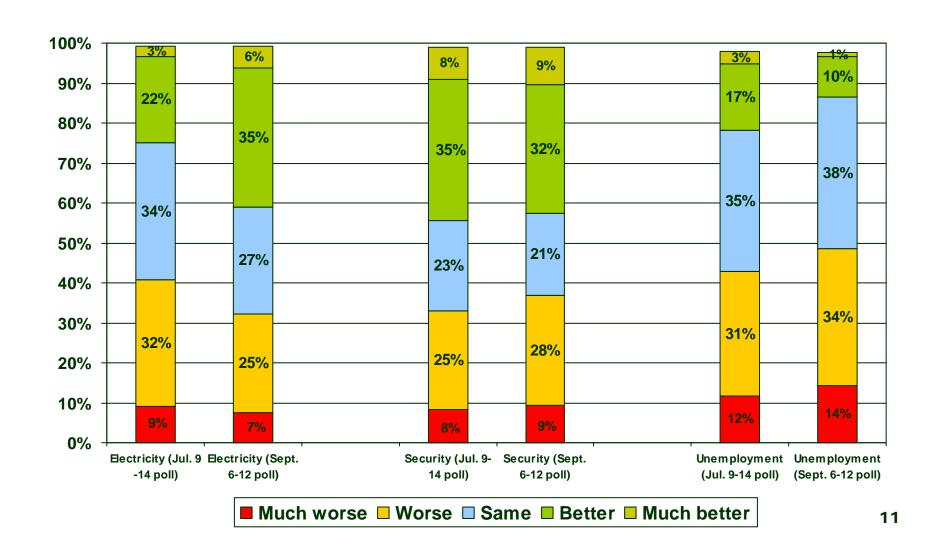


#### Thinking about the future, do you feel that things will be better, the same or worse in five years?



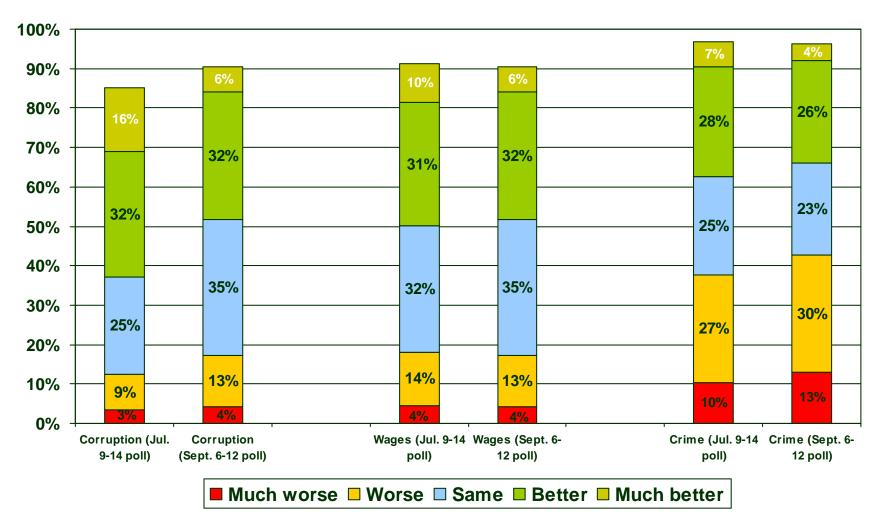


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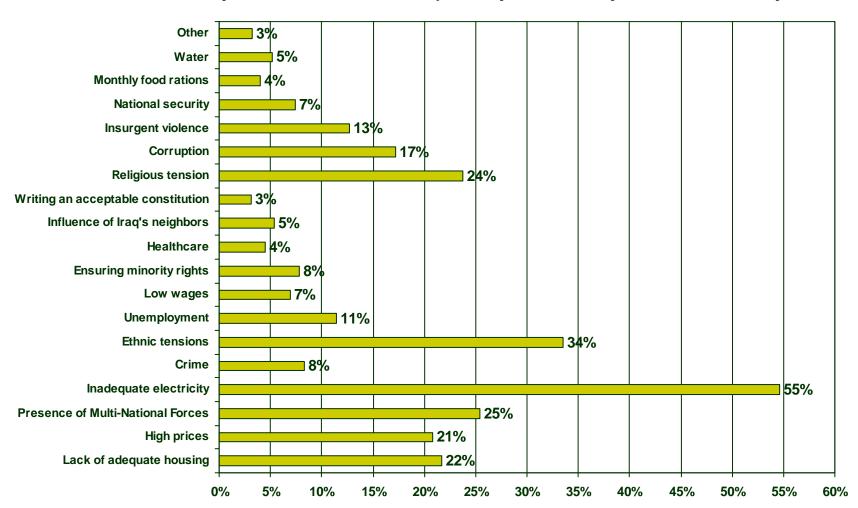


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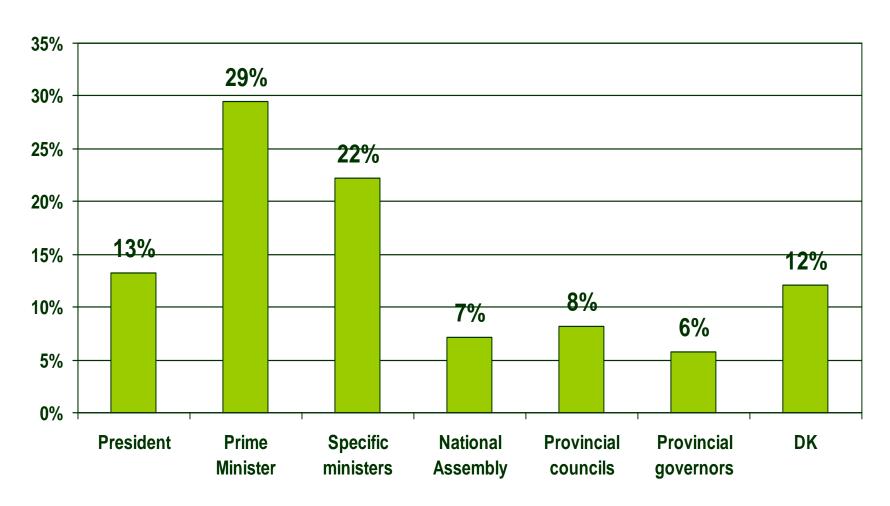
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# Thinking about the situation of Iraq, what three issues or concerns do you feel most impact your daily life or family?



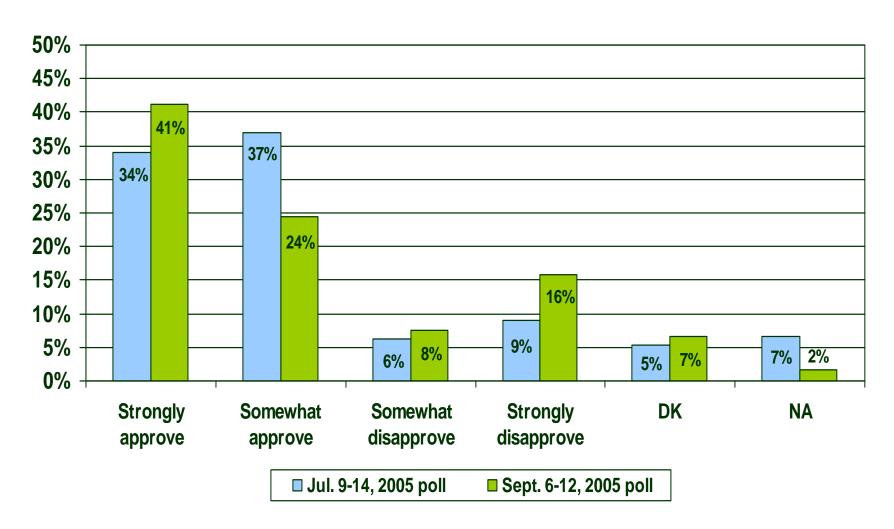


In terms of problems such as electricity, water and security, who in government do you find most responsible?



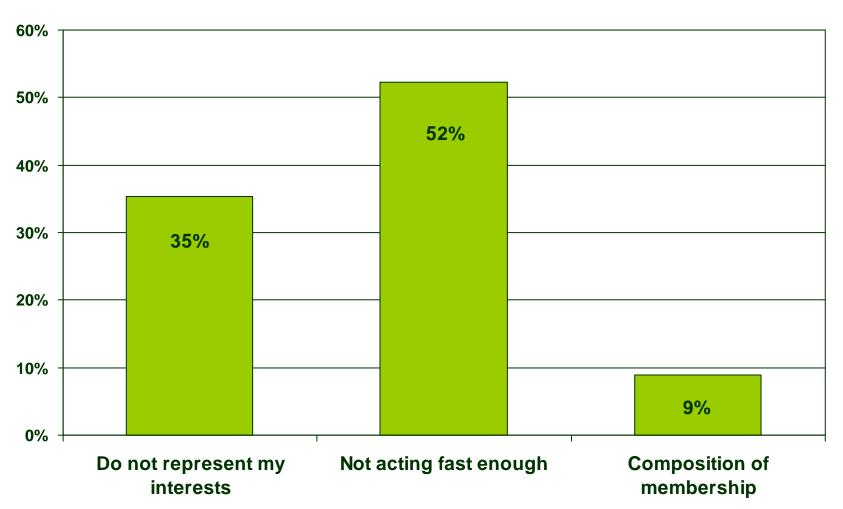


Do you strongly approve, somewhat approve, somewhat disapprove or strongly disapprove of the Iraqi National Assembly?



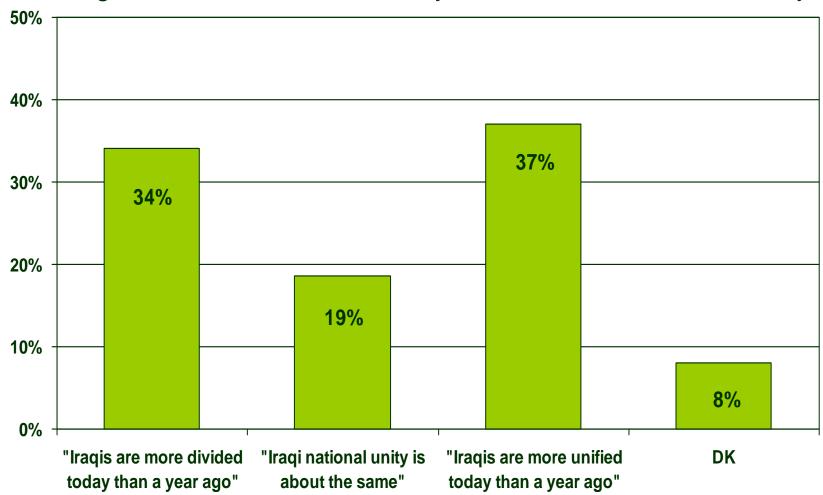


### If you somewhat disapprove or strongly disapprove of the Iraqi National Assembly, what is your reason?

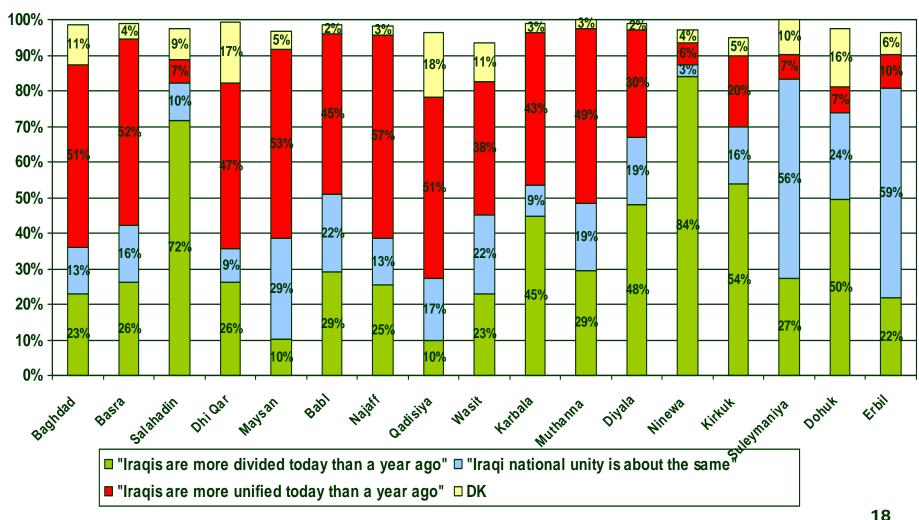




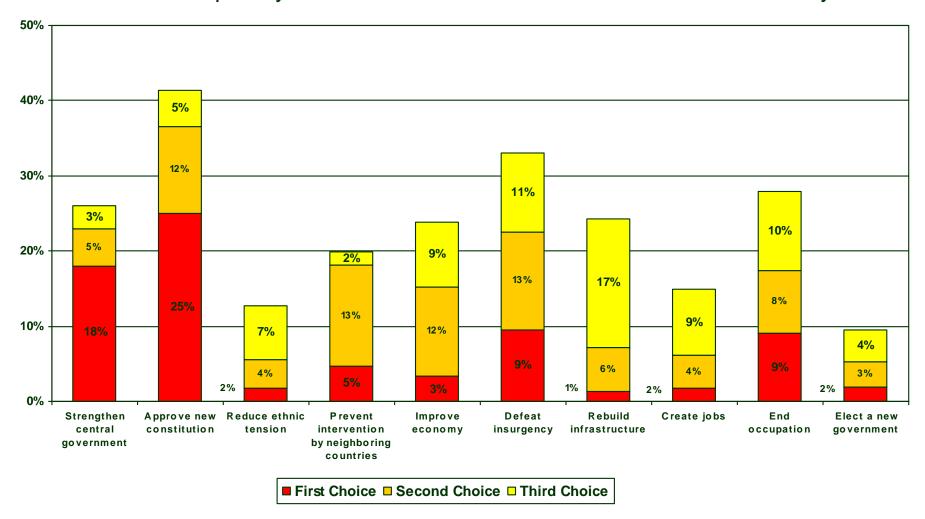
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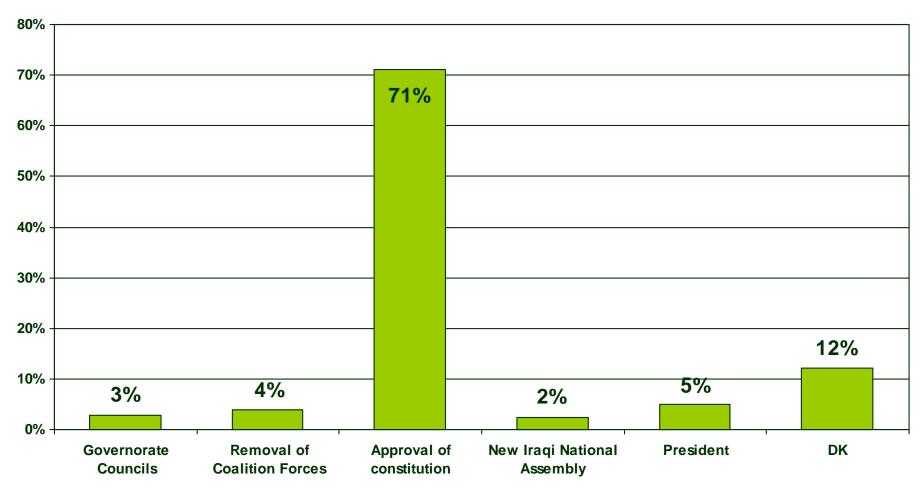
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#### Certain issues are important to national unity. From the list below, please indicate in priority order which would most contribute to national unity.

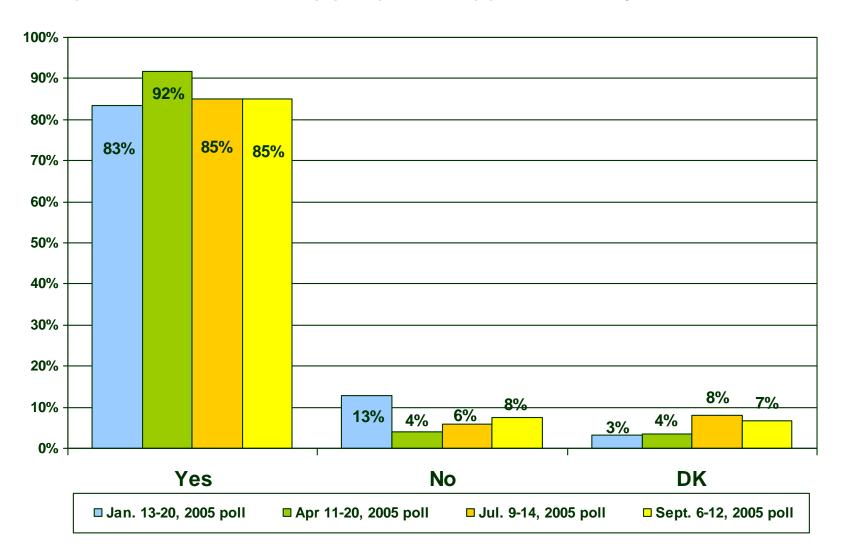








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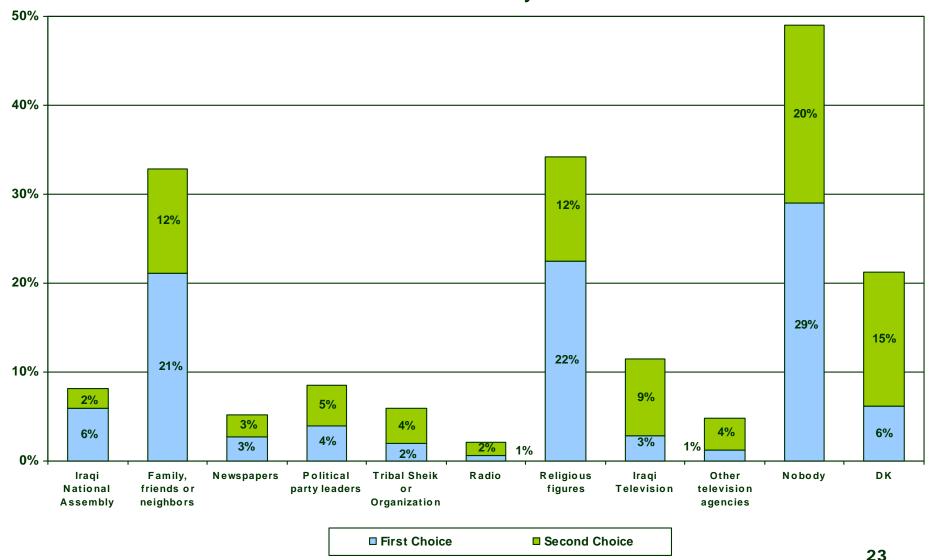




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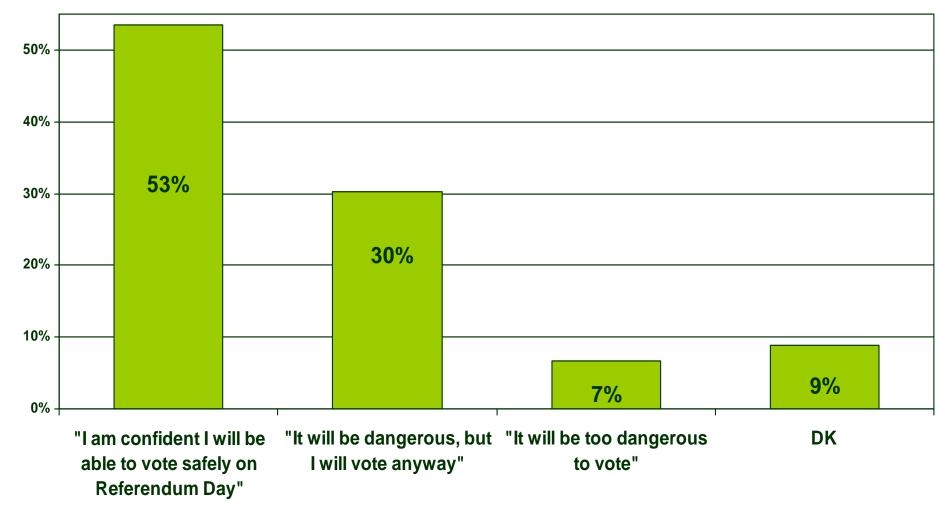


# Thinking about the referendum scheduled for October, who will have the most influence on your choice?



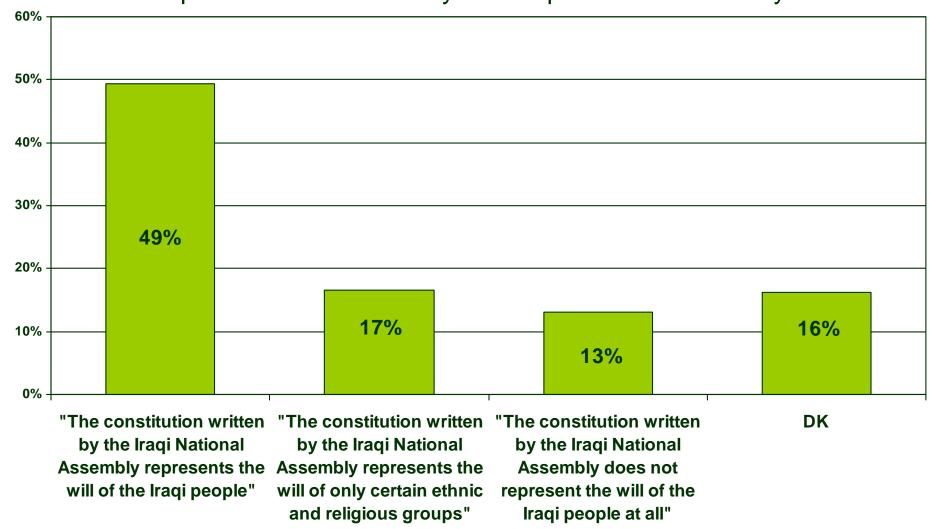


Irrespective of your intention to vote, which of the following represents your thoughts of the security situation on Referendum Day?

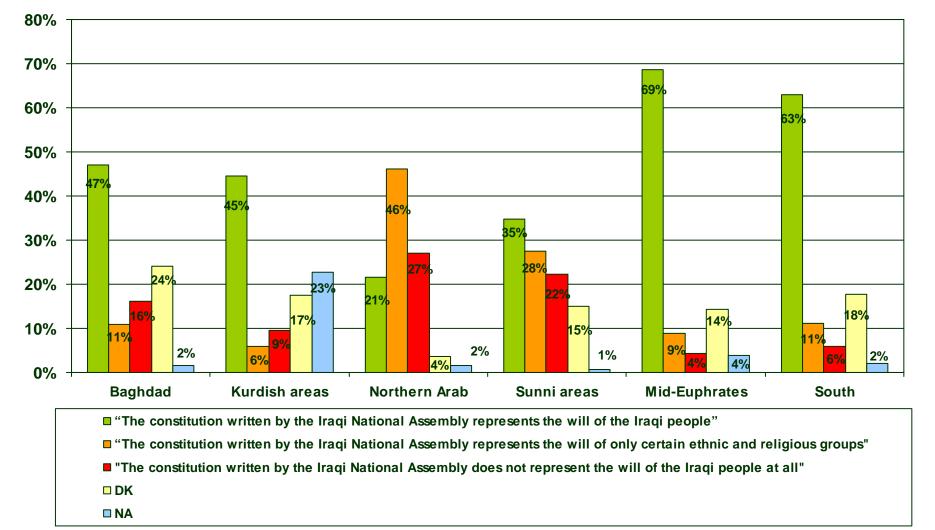




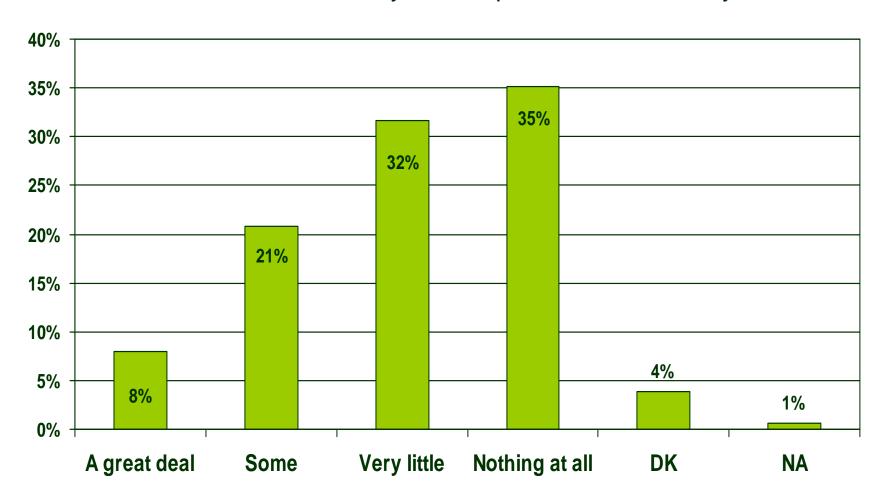
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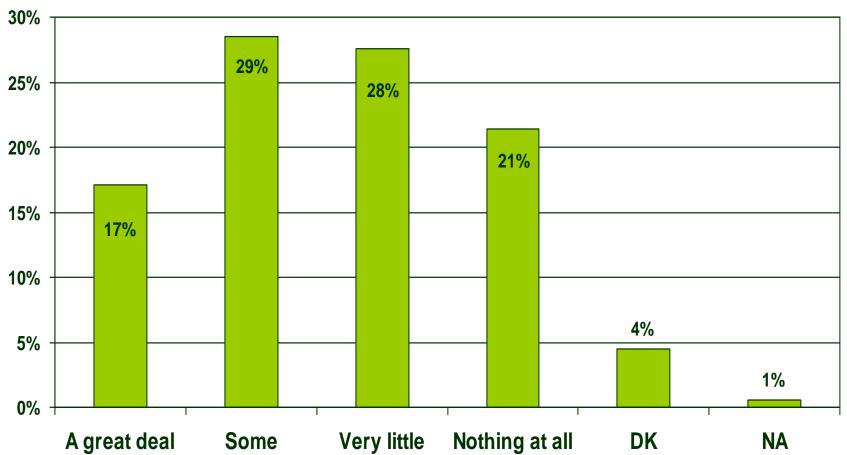


How much have you read, seen or heard about the contents of the draft constitution written by the Iraqi National Assembly?



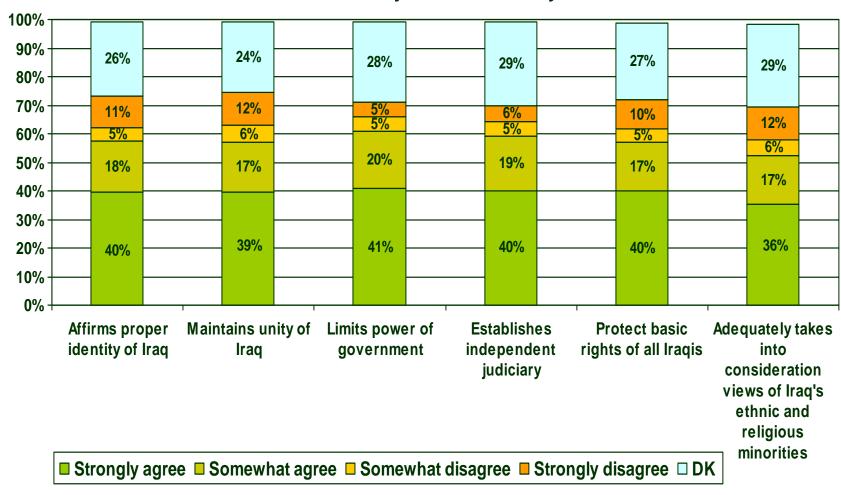


To what extent have you seen, read or heard in the street advertisements encouraging Iraqis to participate in the October referendum?



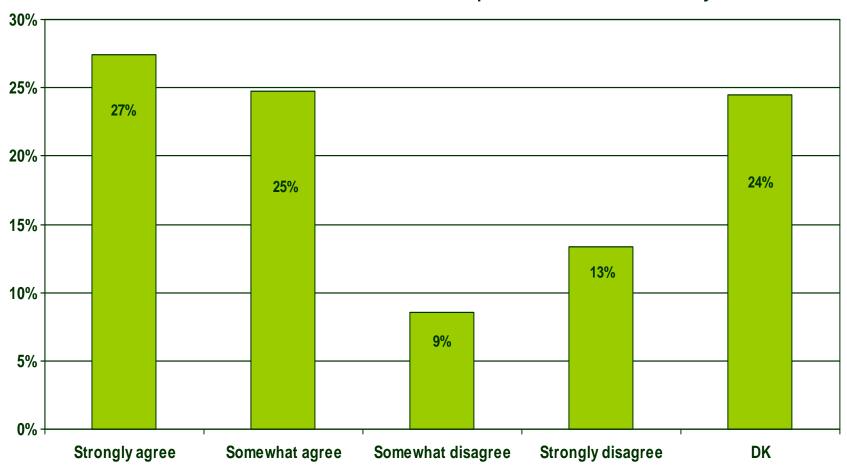
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Do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree that the constitution drafted by the Iraqi National Assembly satisfactorily:



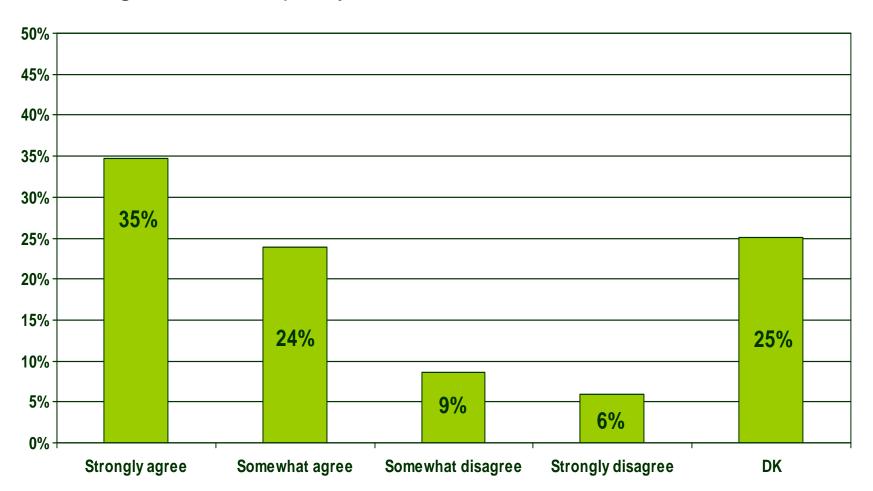


Do you agree/disagree that Iraq's various ethnic and religious groups were able to fully take part in the constitution drafting process in the Constitutional Committee/Iraqi National Assembly?



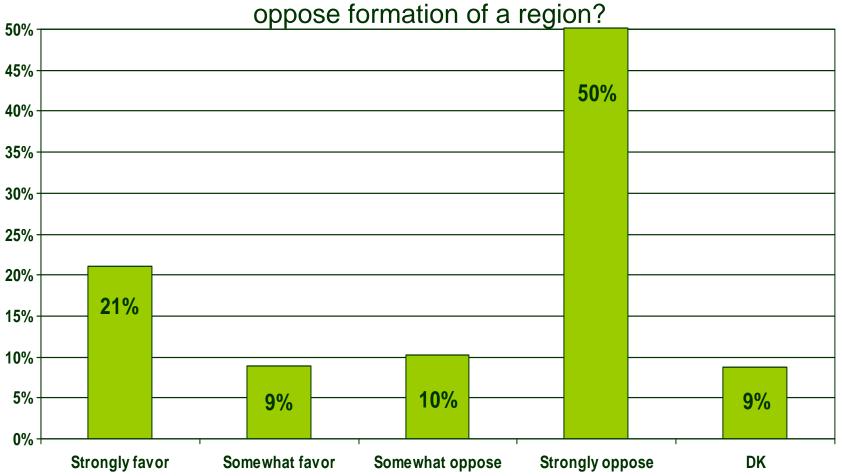


Do you think that the constitution drafted by the Iraqi National Assembly guarantees equality of men and women before the law?

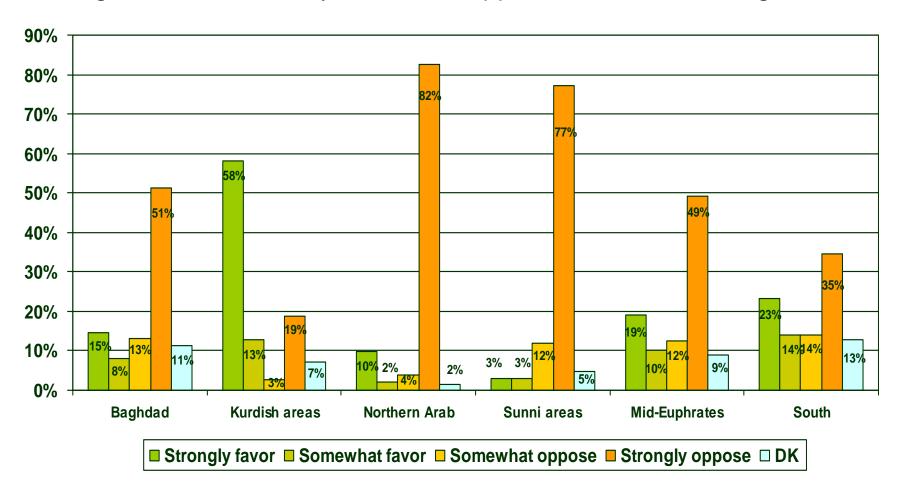




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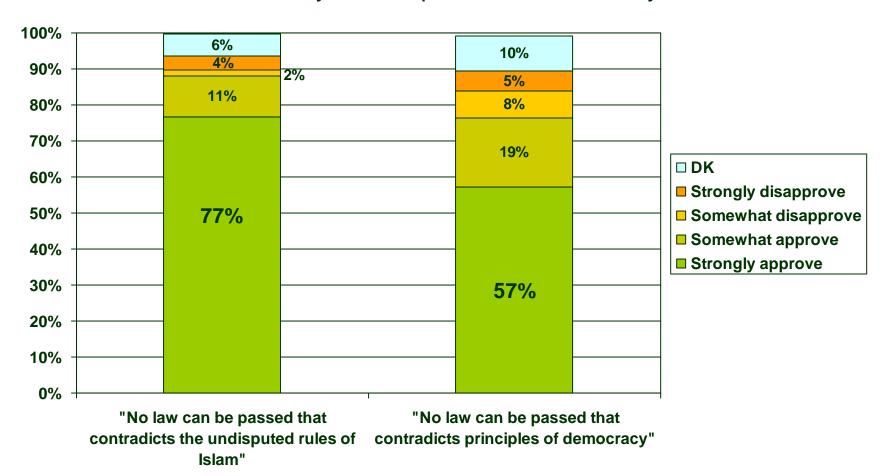


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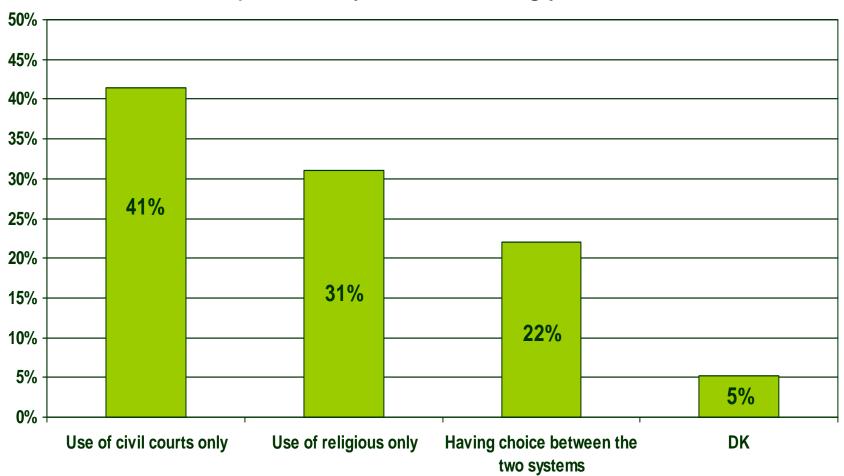


### How do you feel about the following language from the constitution drafted by the Iraqi National Assembly?



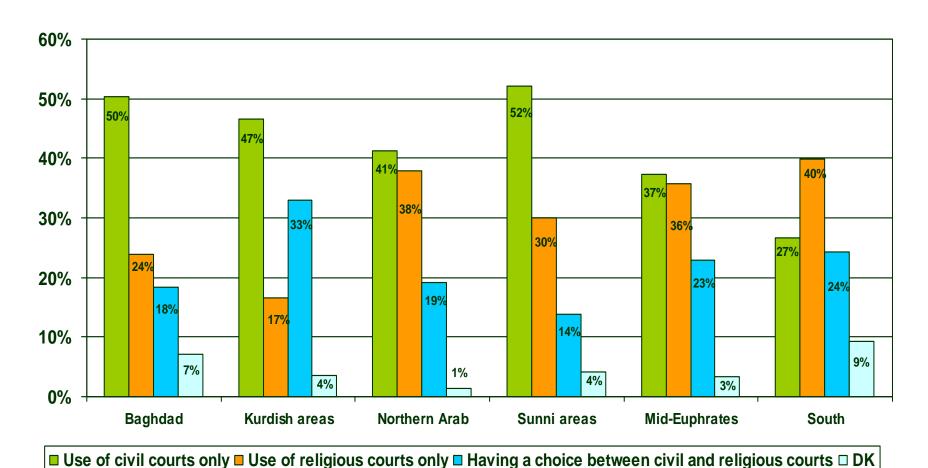


With respect to the role of the courts in family issues such as property disputes, inheritance, divorce and children, which of the following options do you most strongly favor?



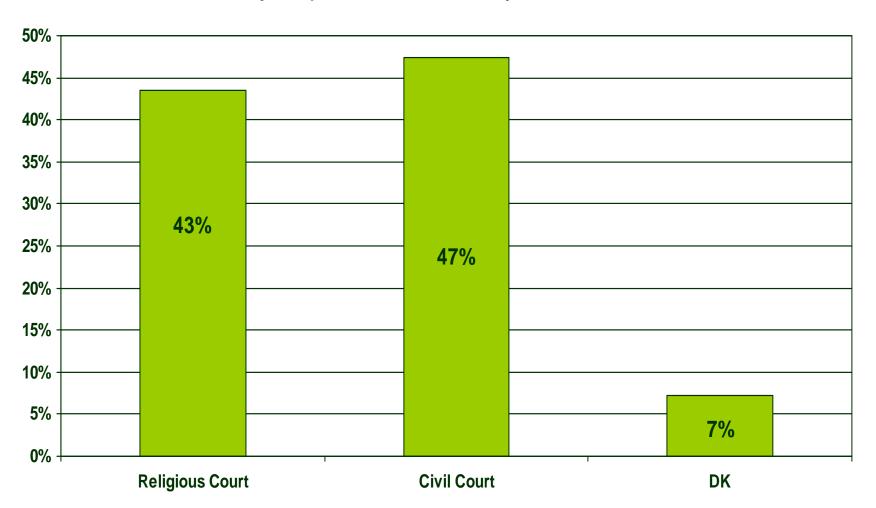


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