



# Survey of Iraqi Public Opinion

International Republican Institute

November 1 – 11, 2005

# Methodology in Brief

- Face-to-face interviews conducted November 1 – 11, 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 2,725 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 Karbala to 26 percent in Baghdad
- Ethnic distribution: Arabic (82%), Kurdish (14%), Turkmen (1%), Chaldo-Assyrian (less than 1%), other (less than 1%)
- Urban sample accounts for 67 percent of respondents and rural respondents made up the remaining 33 percent
- Male to female ratio is 47 percent to 53 percent, respectively
- Age distribution: 18-24 (22%), 25-34 (30%), 35-44 (25%), 45-54 (14%), 55 and over (9%)
- Religious Distribution: Sunni Muslim (10%), Shia Muslim (24%), only Muslim (64%), Christian and other sects (2%)

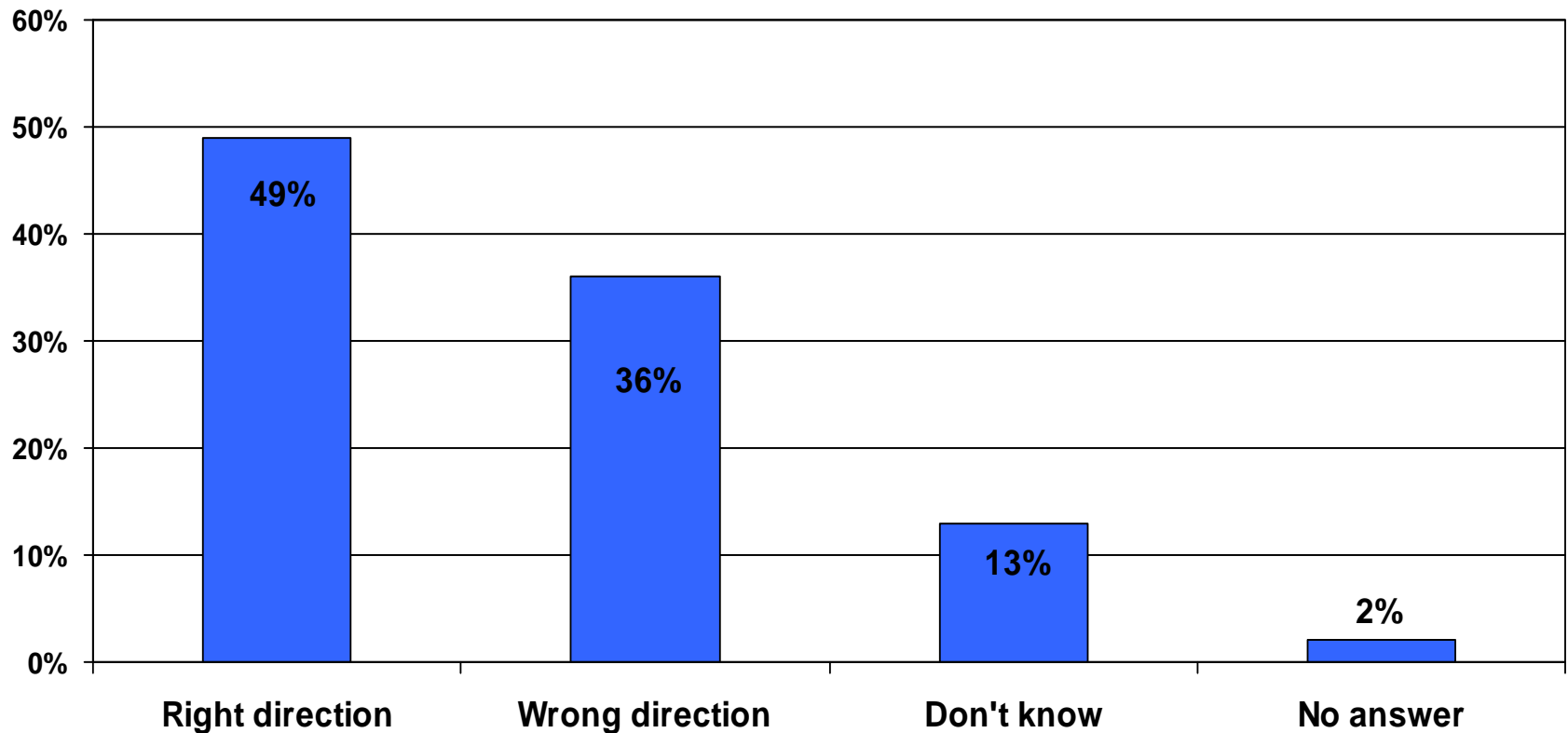


# General Public Sentiment

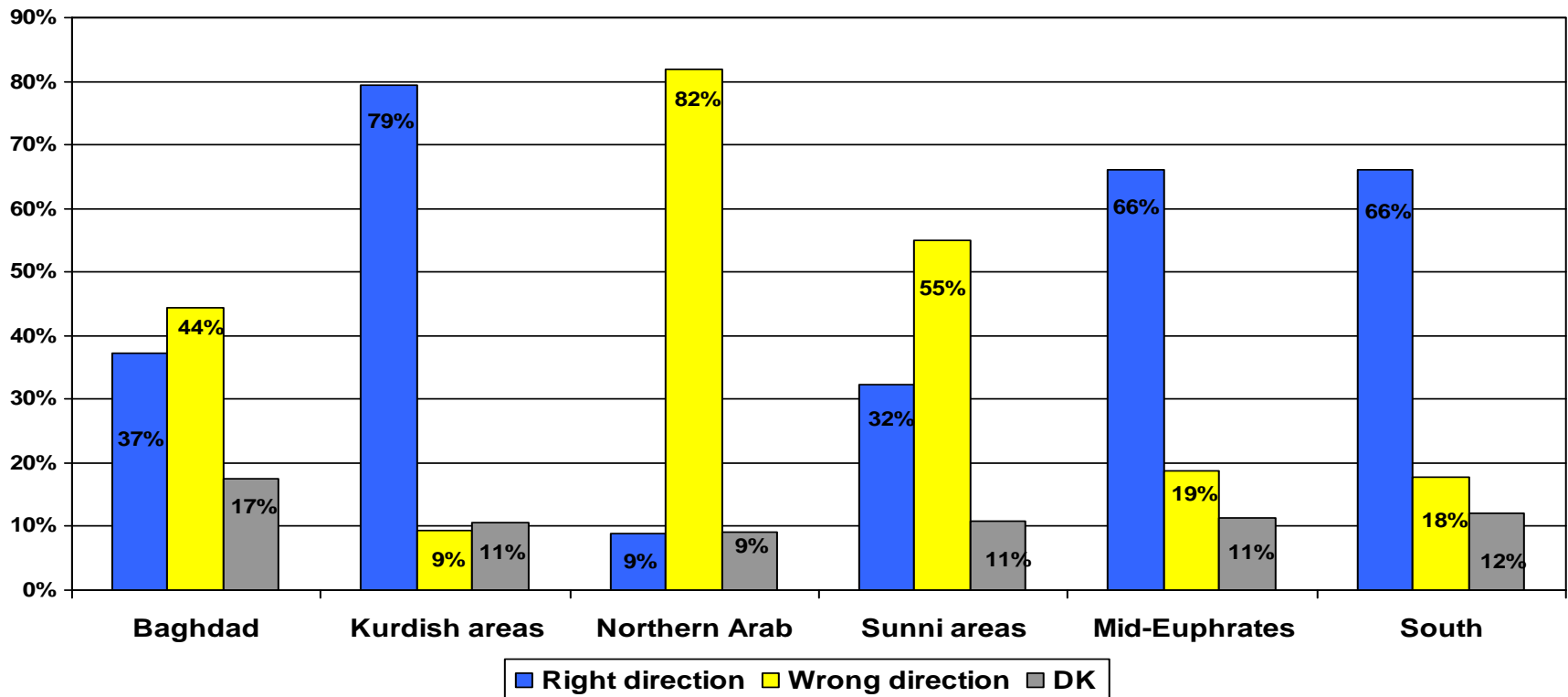
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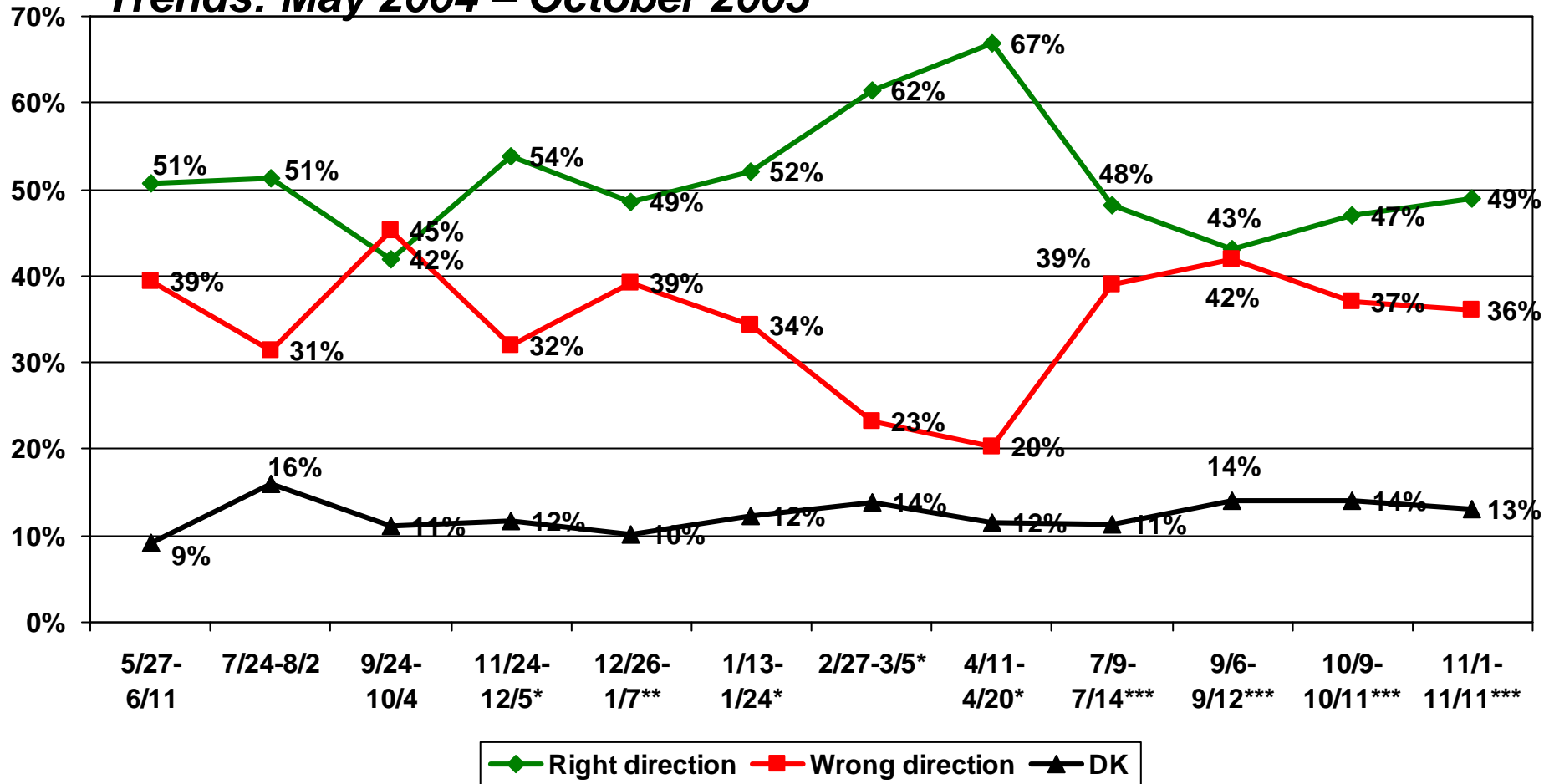


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## Trends: May 2004 – October 2005



\* Does not include Mosul, Anbar and Dohuk / \*\*Does not include Mosul and Dohuk/ \*\*\*Does not include Anbar

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### Right Direction

Freedom and democracy	29%
Elected national government	18%
Improving general conditions	11%
Having constitution	9%
Improving security	9%
Increasing salaries	6%

*N=1336*

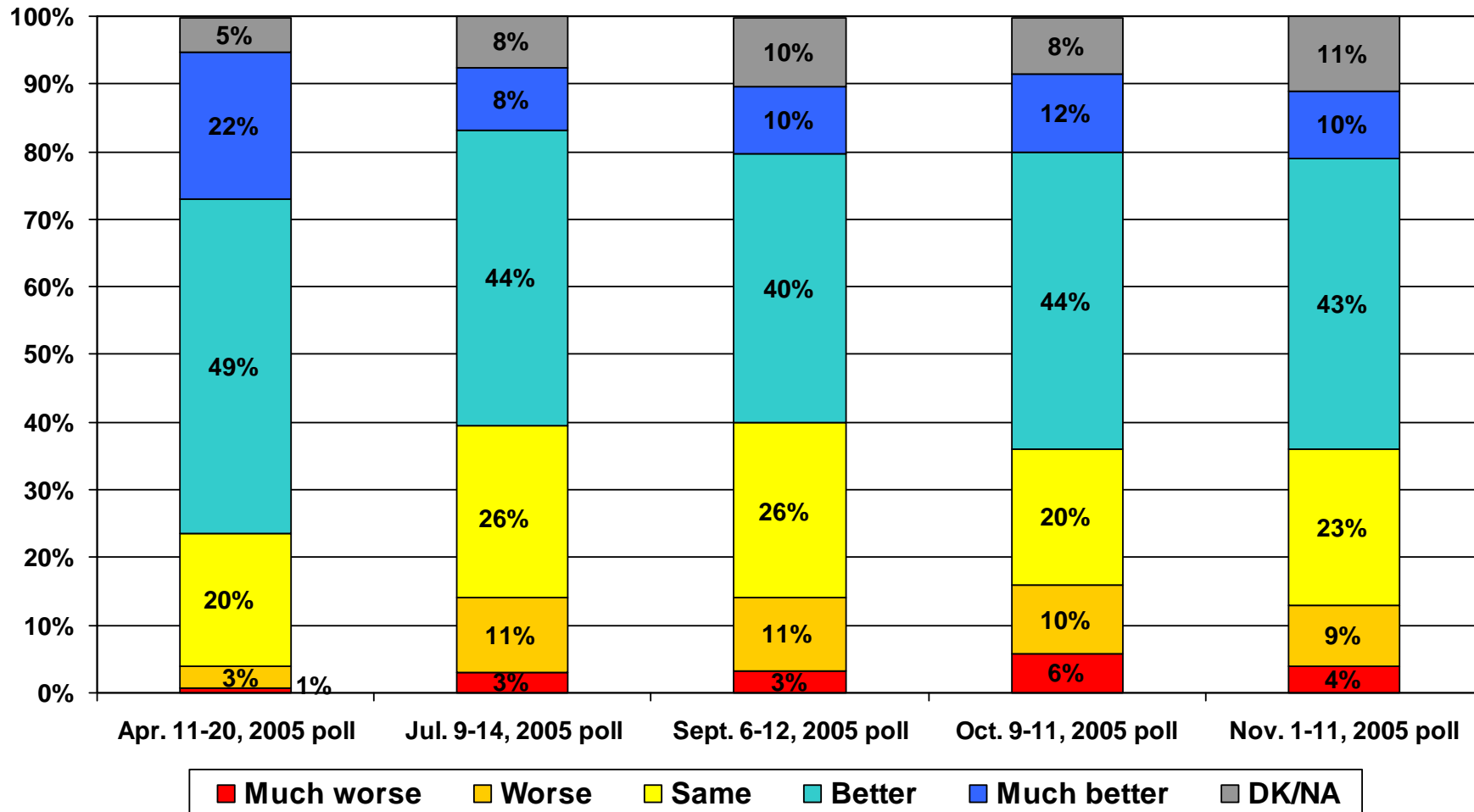
### Wrong Direction

Bad security situation	41%
Presence of occupation	22%
Instability	9%
Inactive government	9%
Bad economic situation	5%
Terrorism	2%

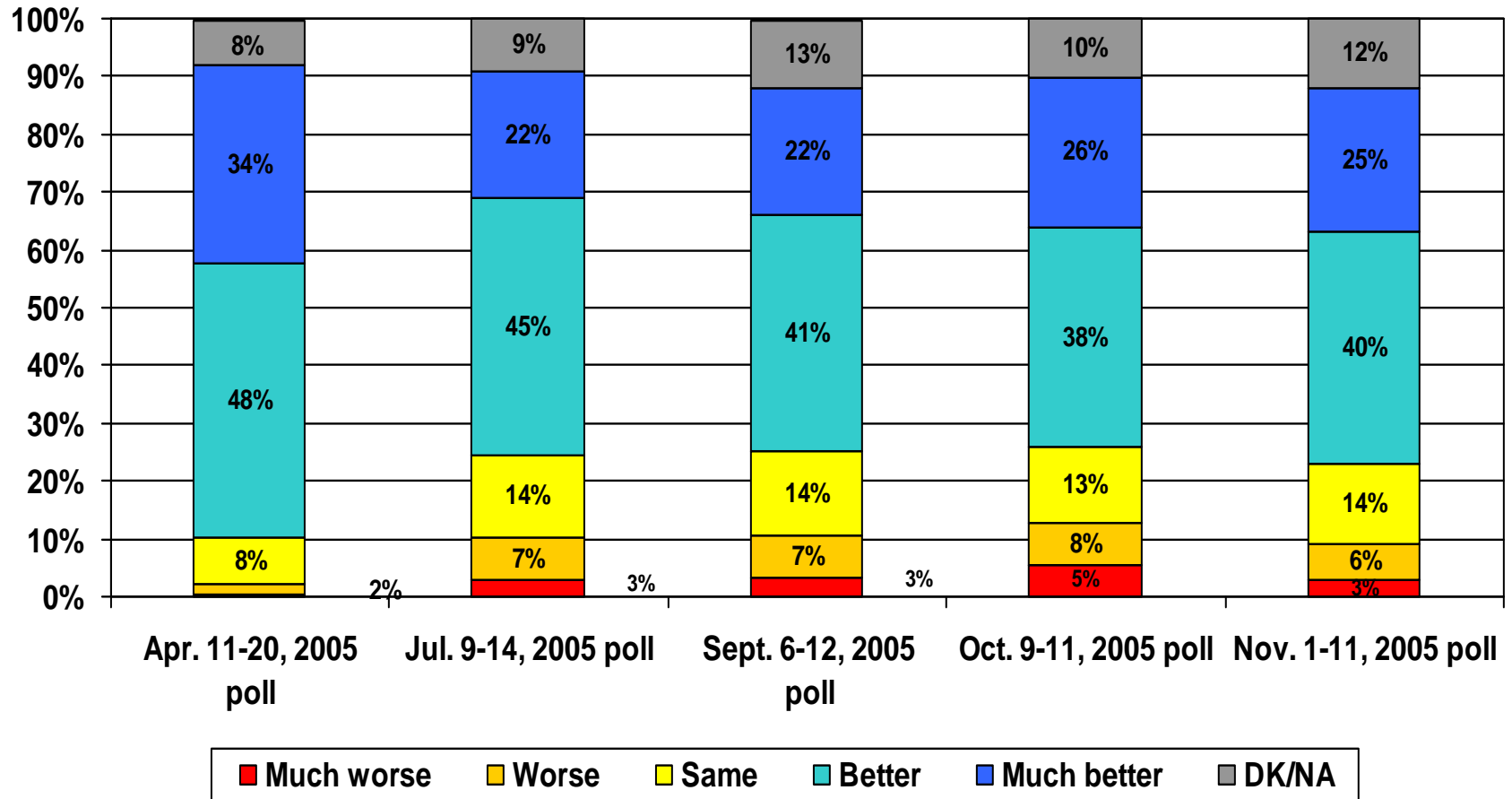
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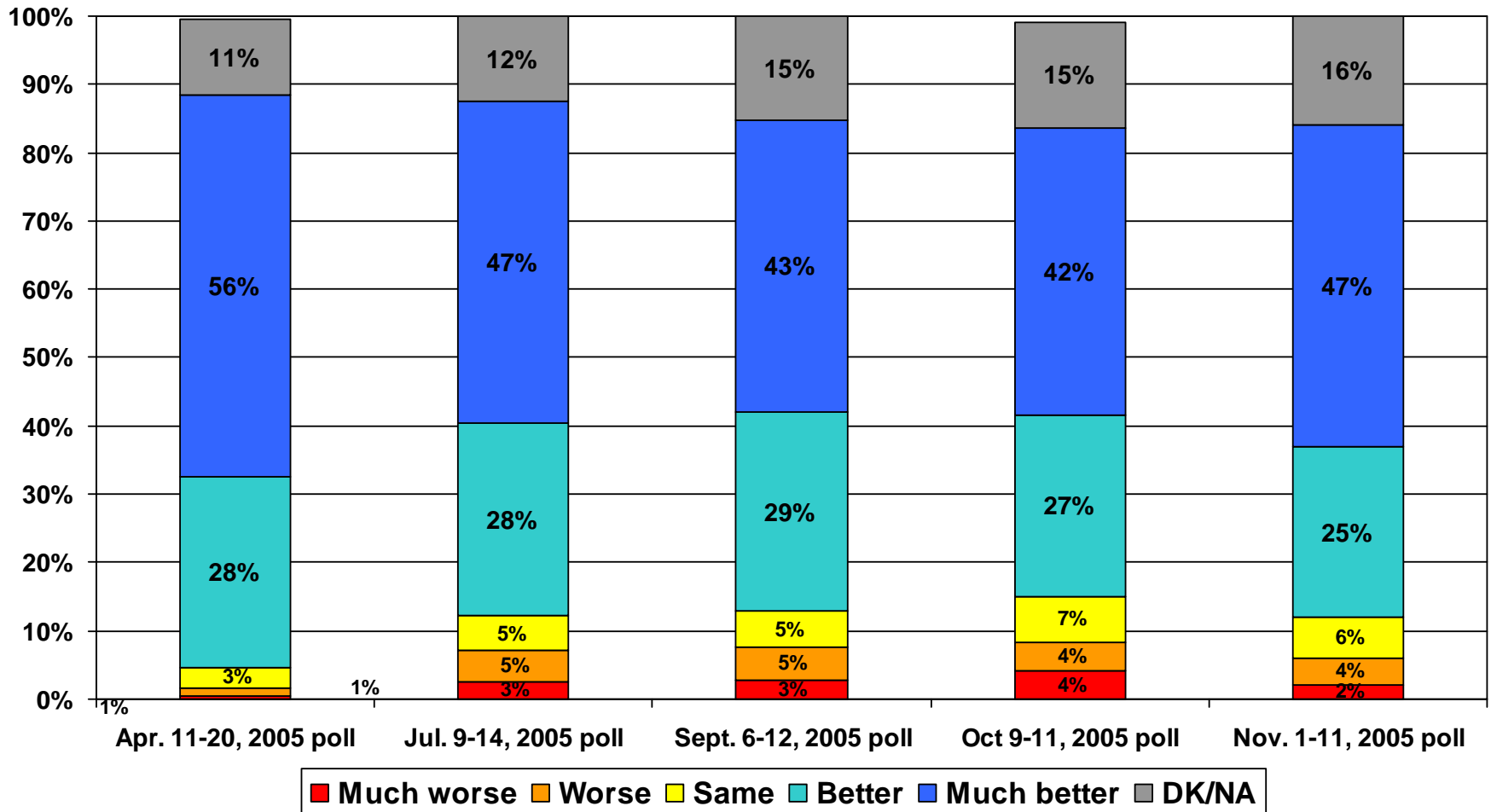
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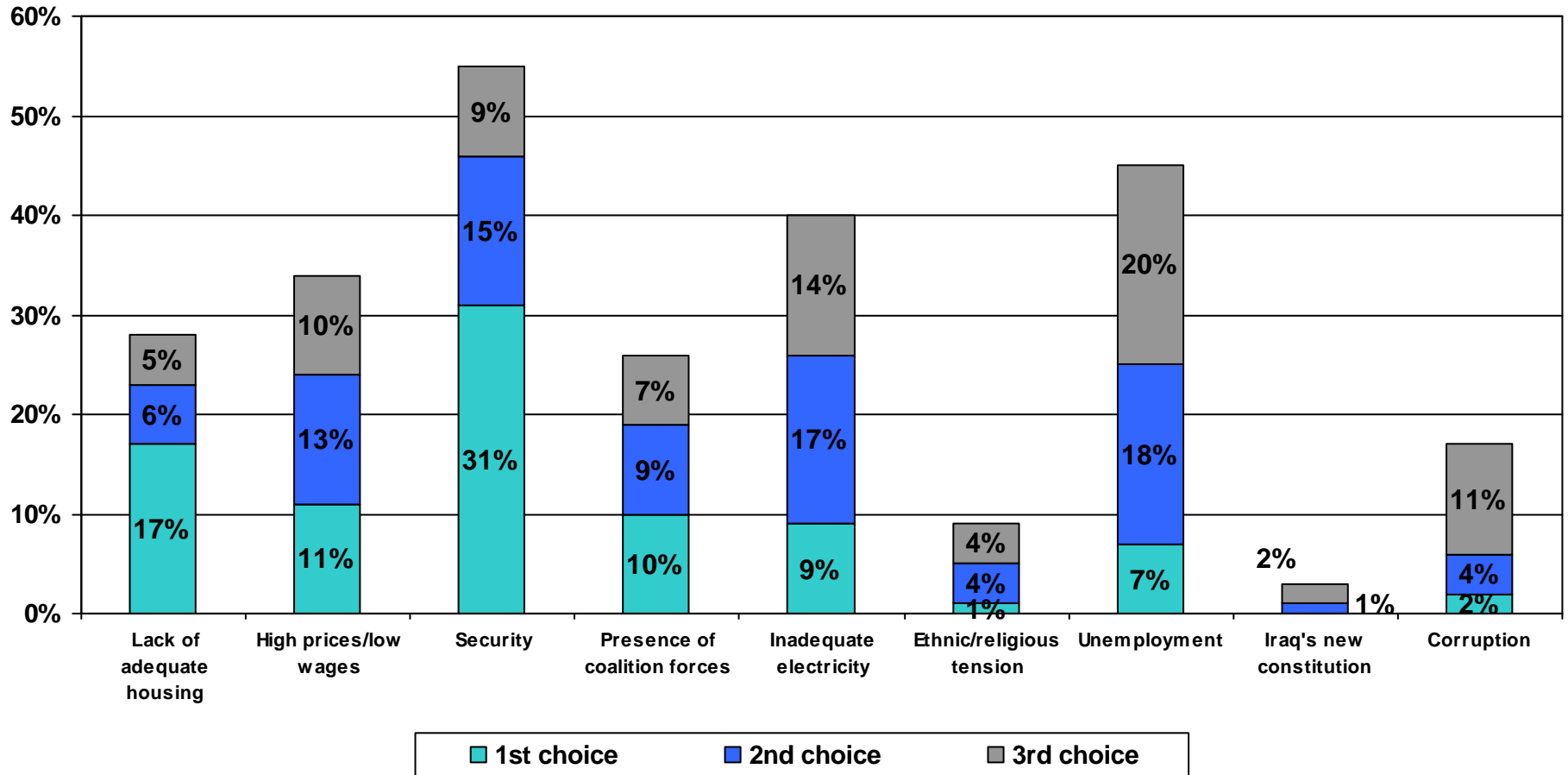
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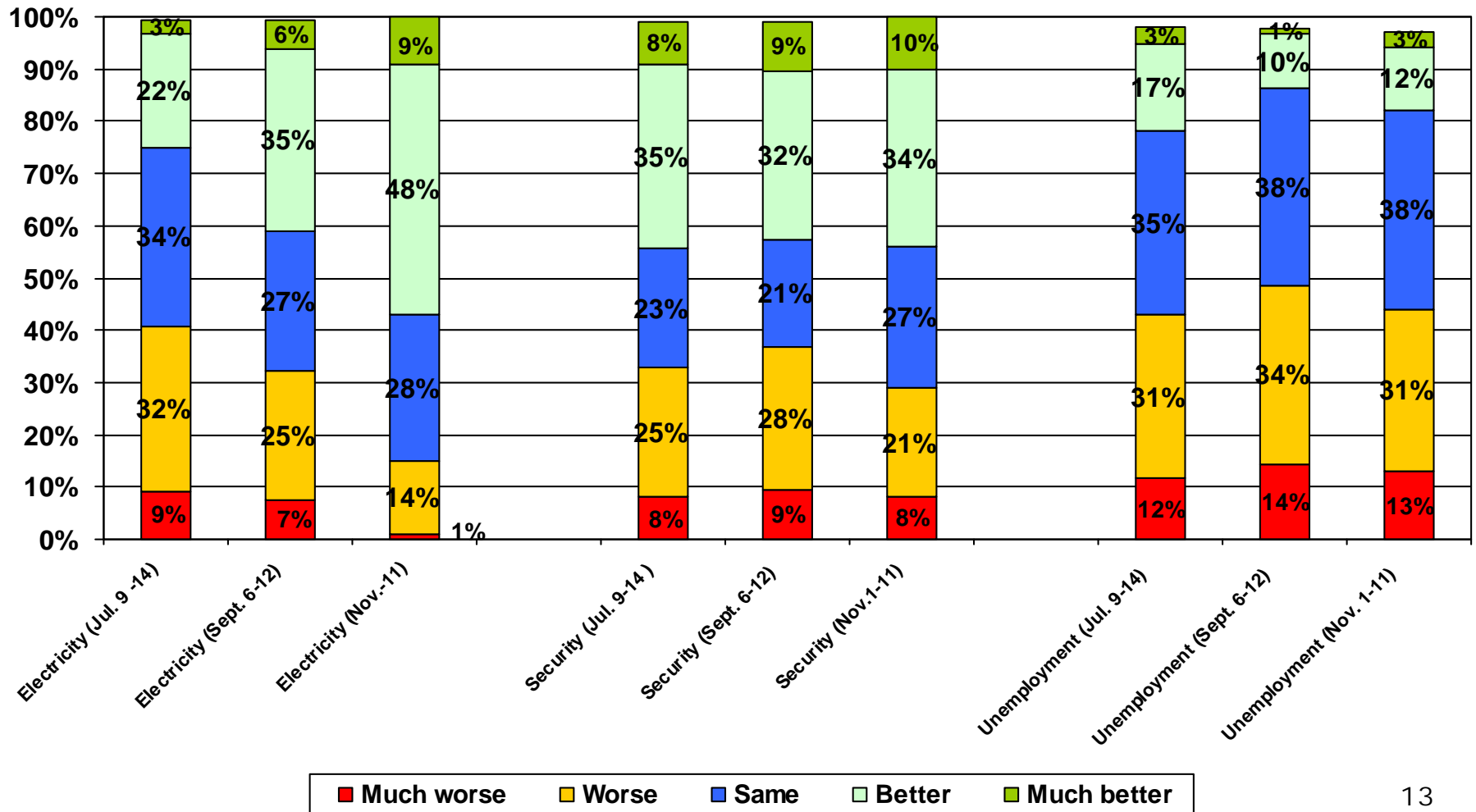
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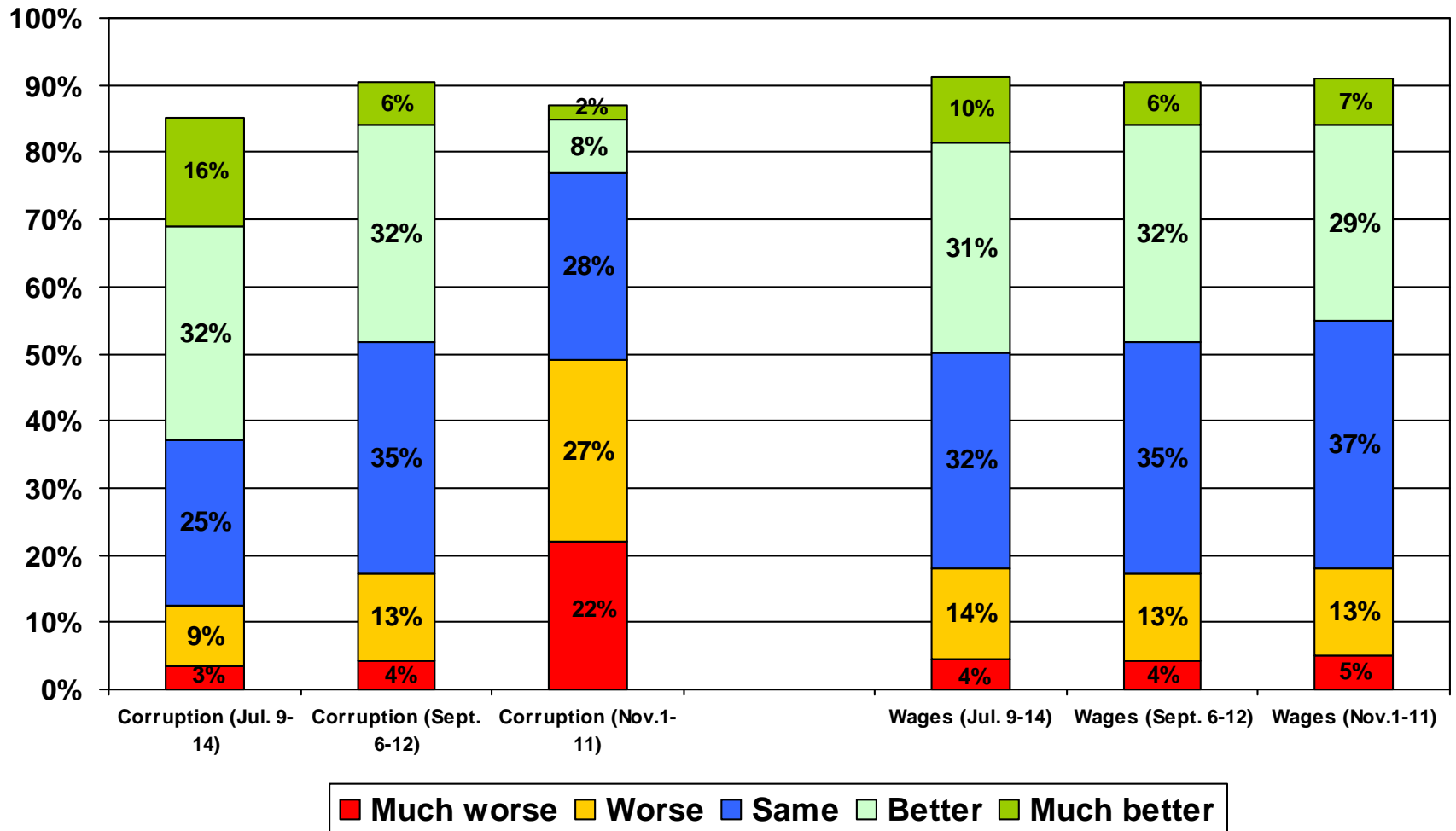
# Thinking about the situation of Iraq, what three issues or concerns do you feel most impact your daily life or family?



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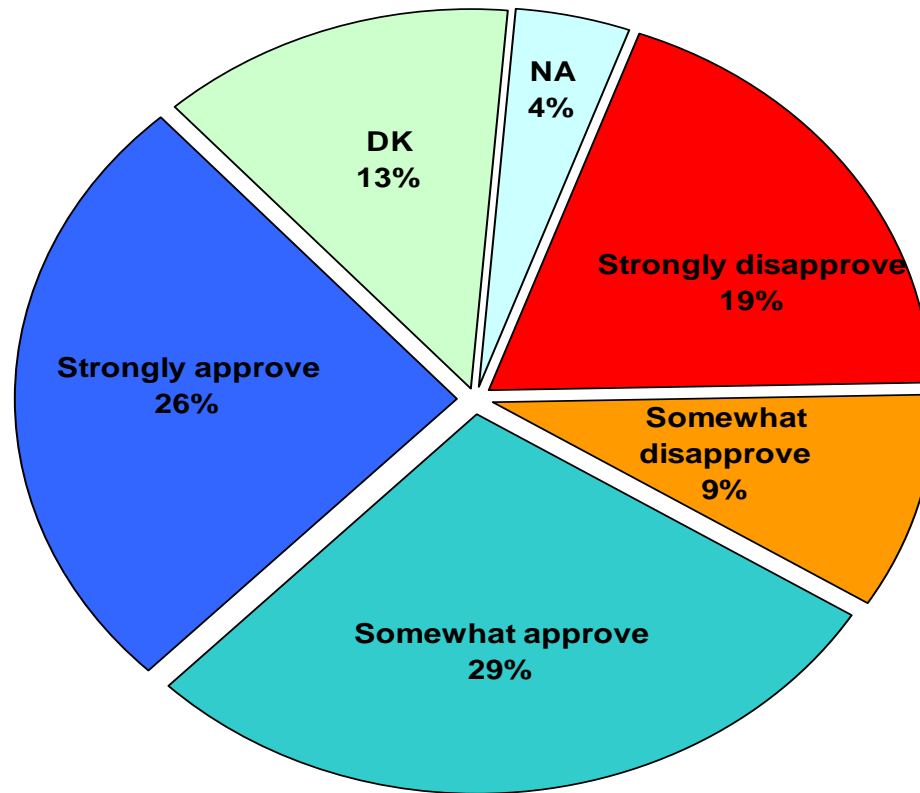


# Political Environment

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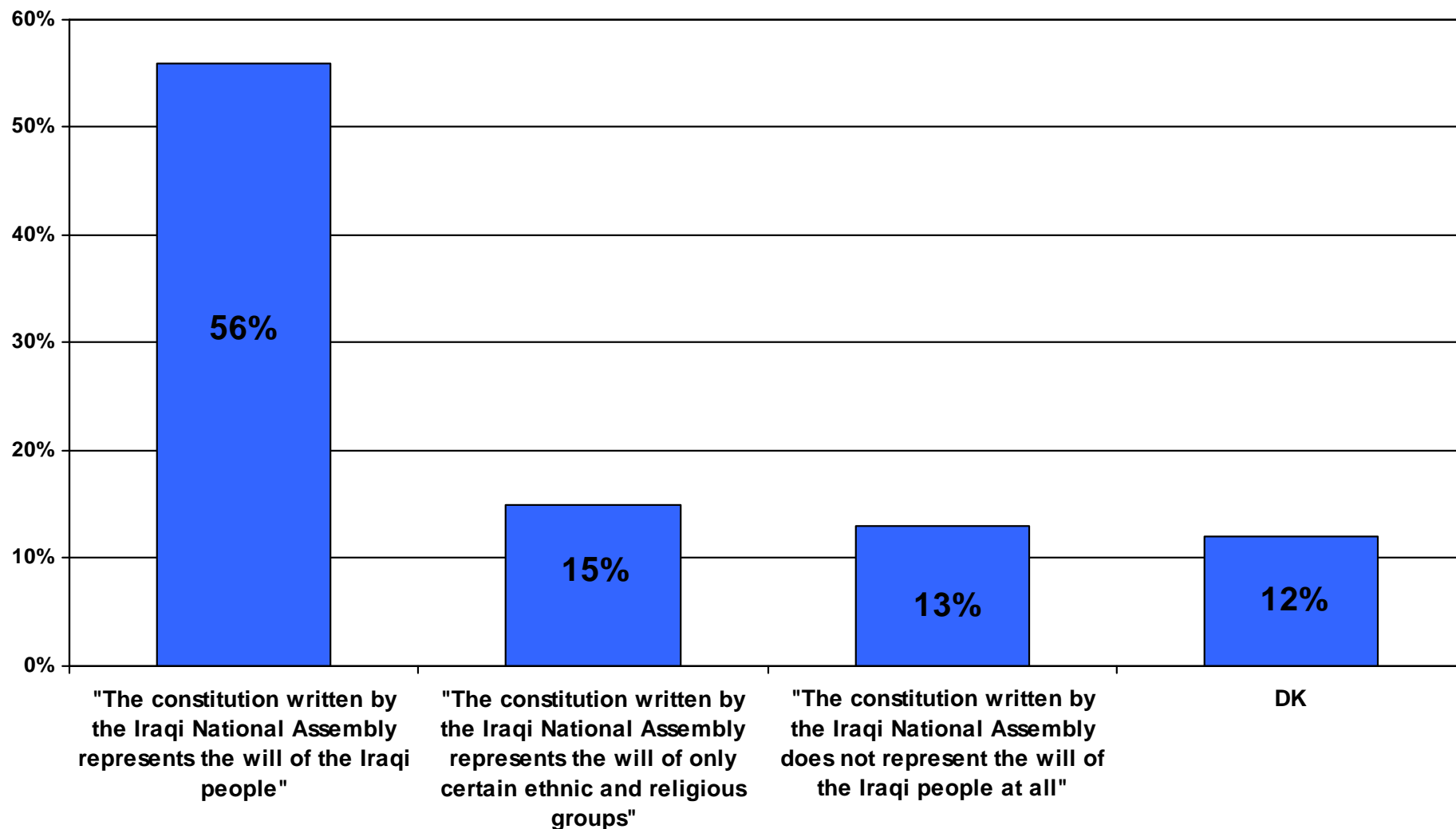
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Do you strongly approve, somewhat approve, somewhat disapprove or strongly disapprove of the performance of the Iraqi National Assembly (INA)?

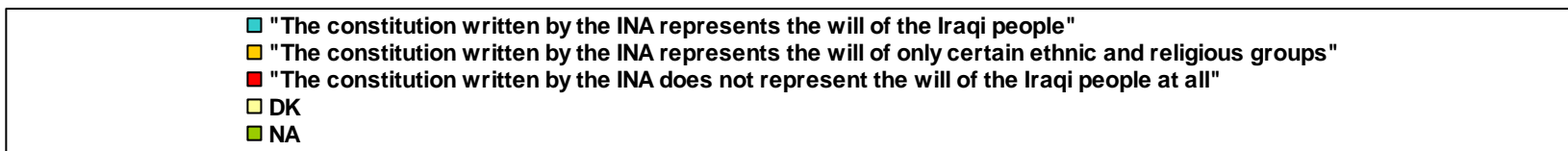
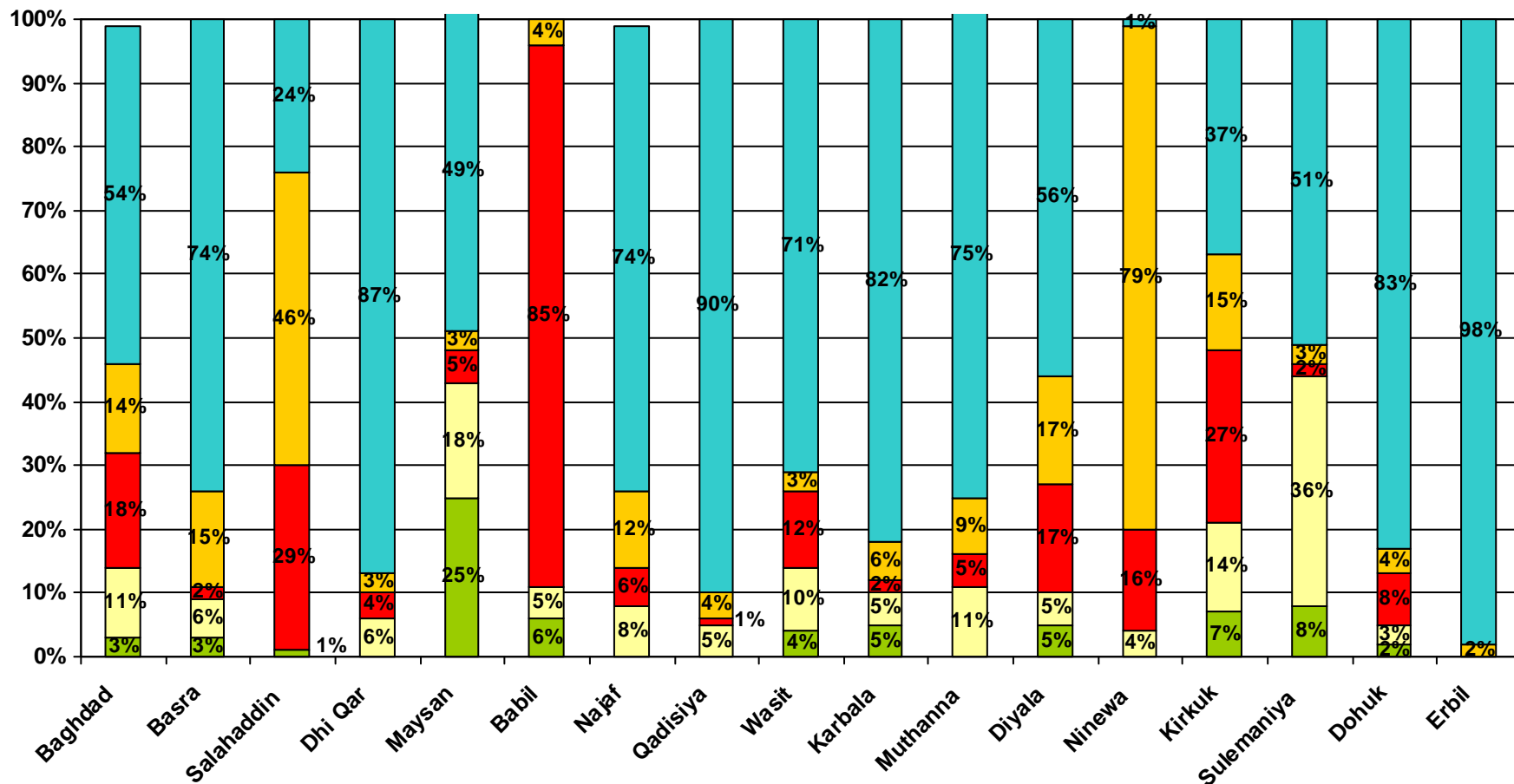




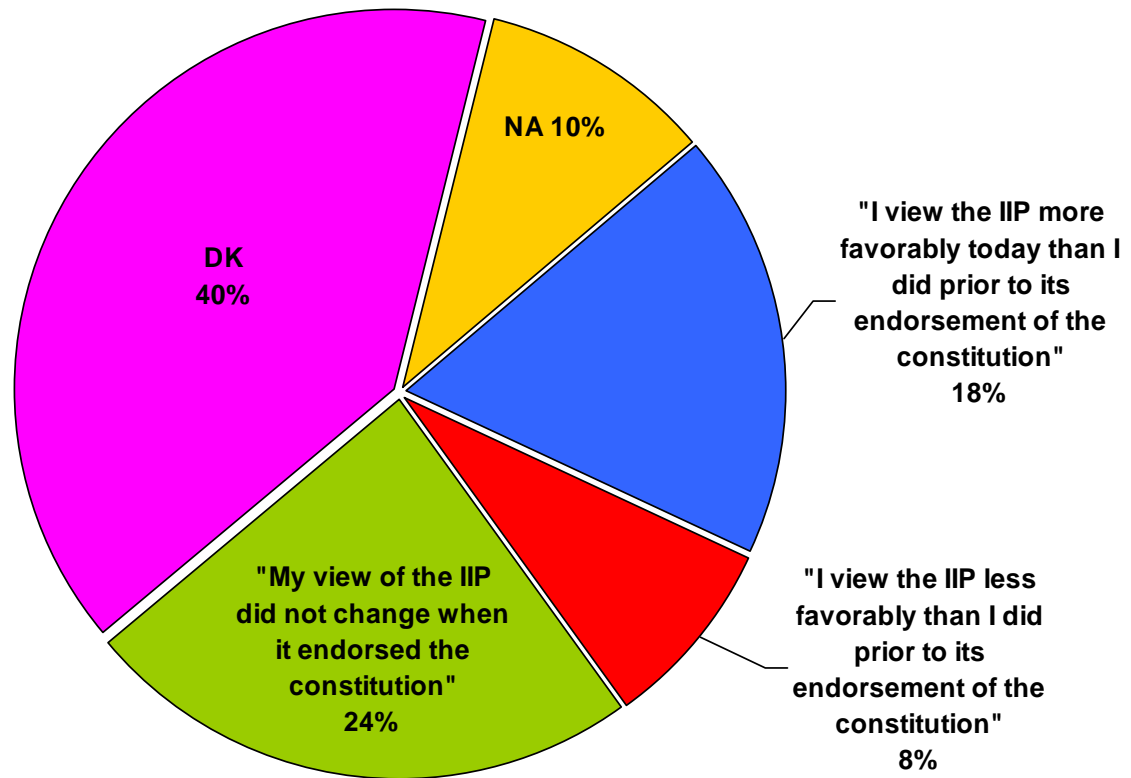
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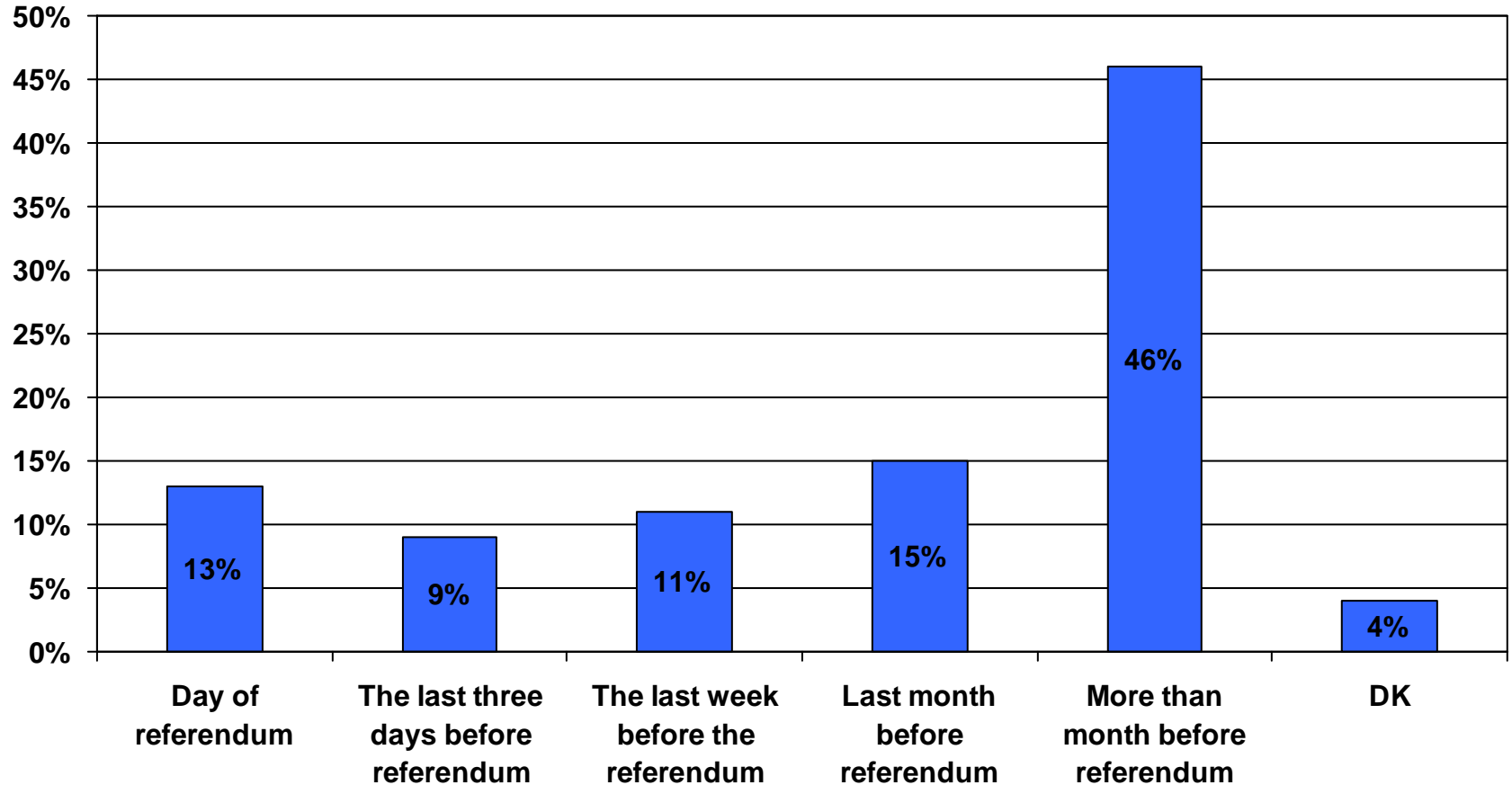
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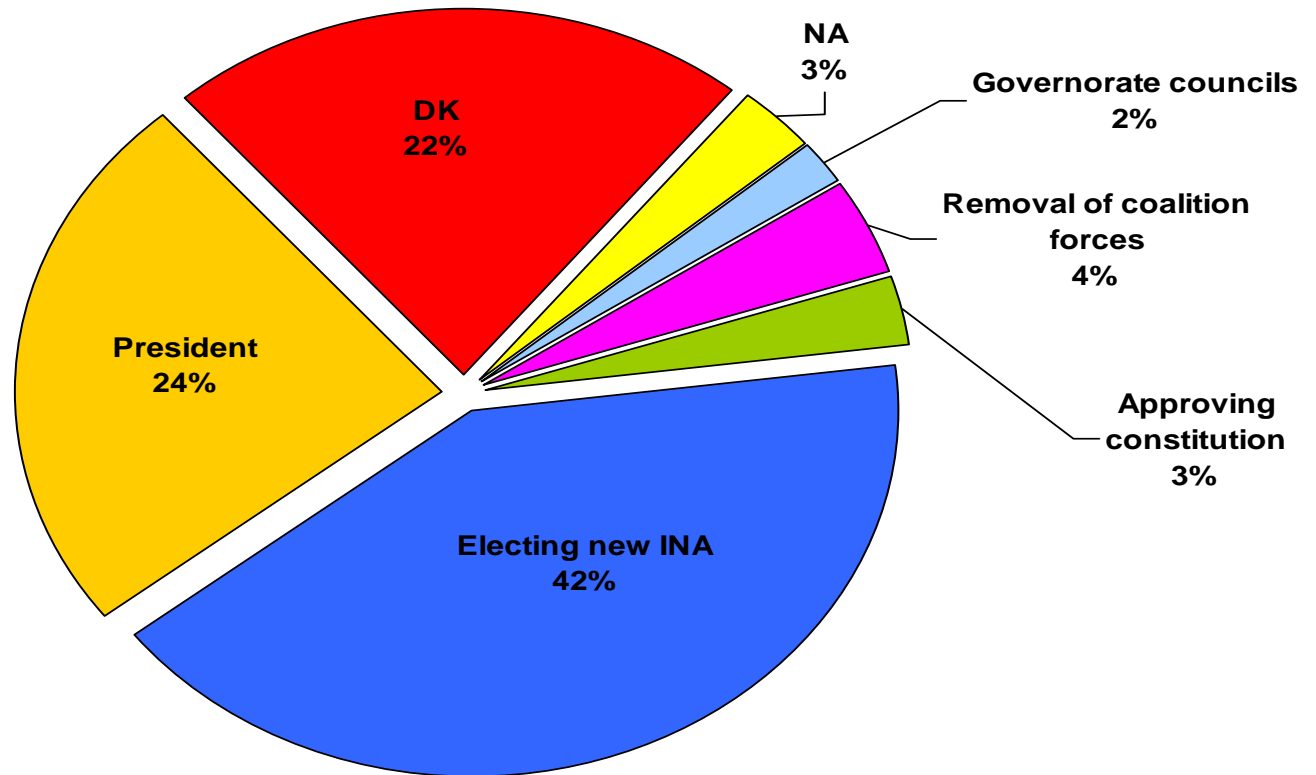
Which of the following best represents your attitude towards the Iraqi Islamic Party (IIP) and its endorsement of the constitution?



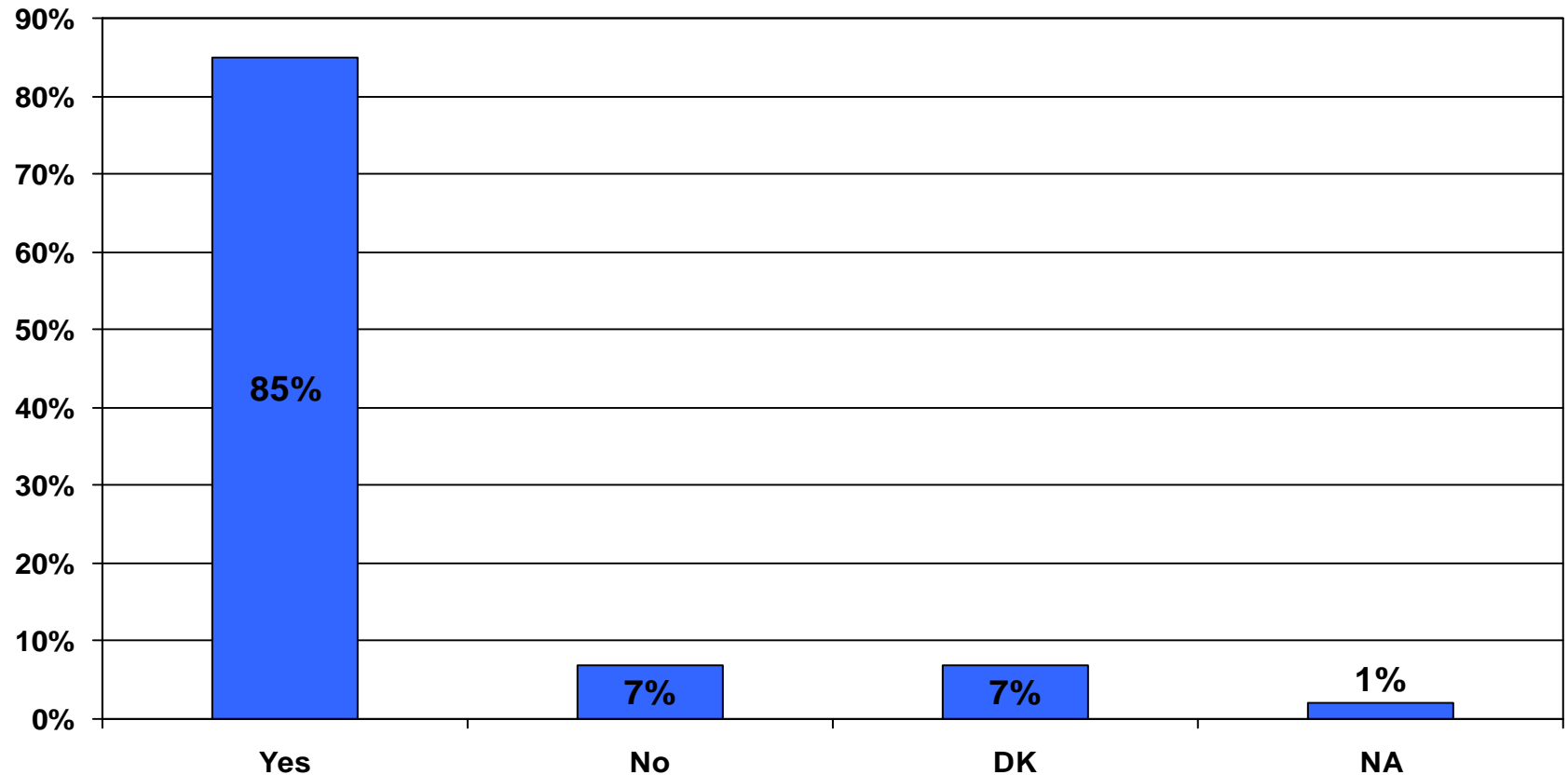
# When did you decide how you would vote in the constitutional referendum?



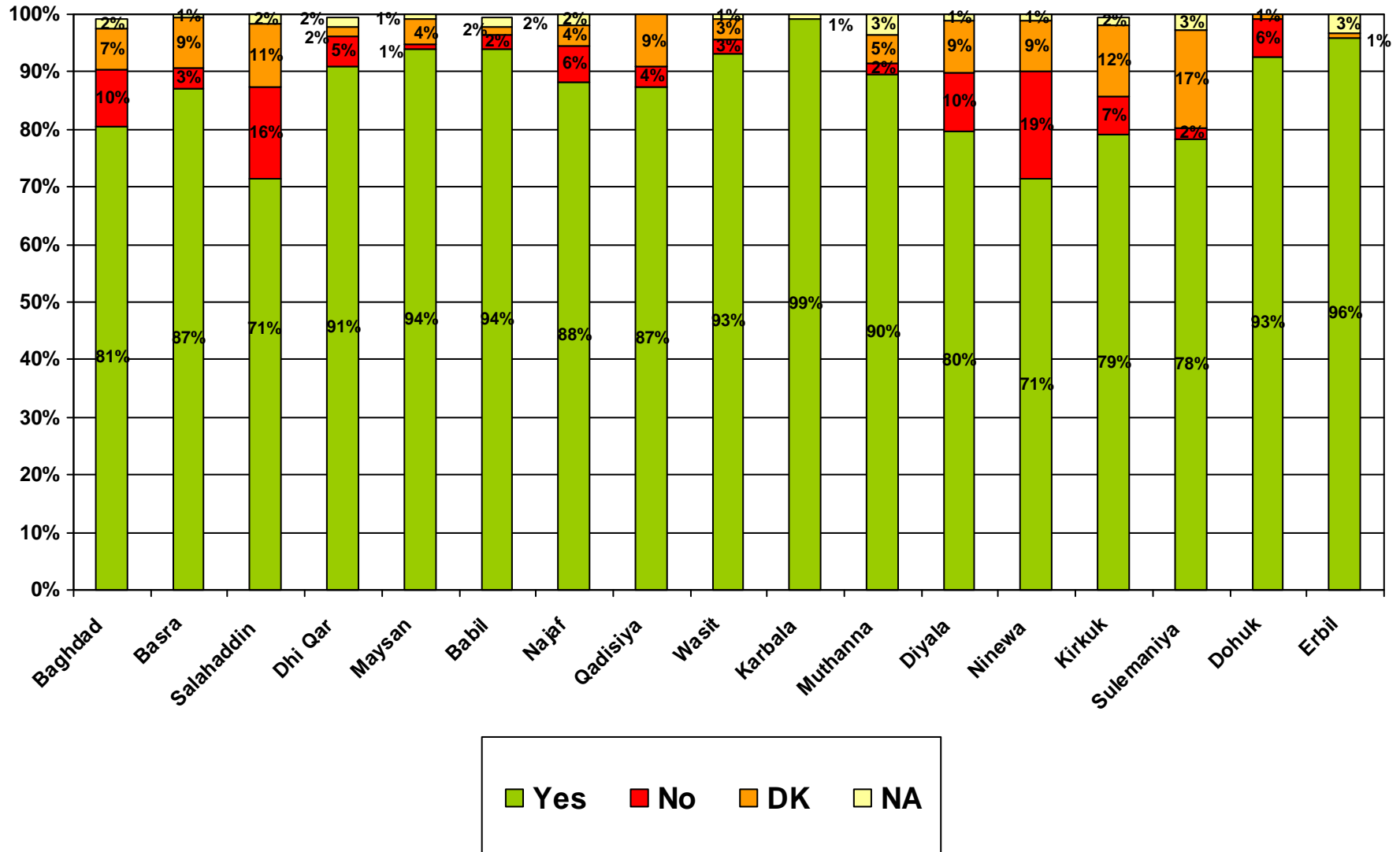
To the best of your knowledge, what will Iraqis vote for in the election scheduled for December 2005?



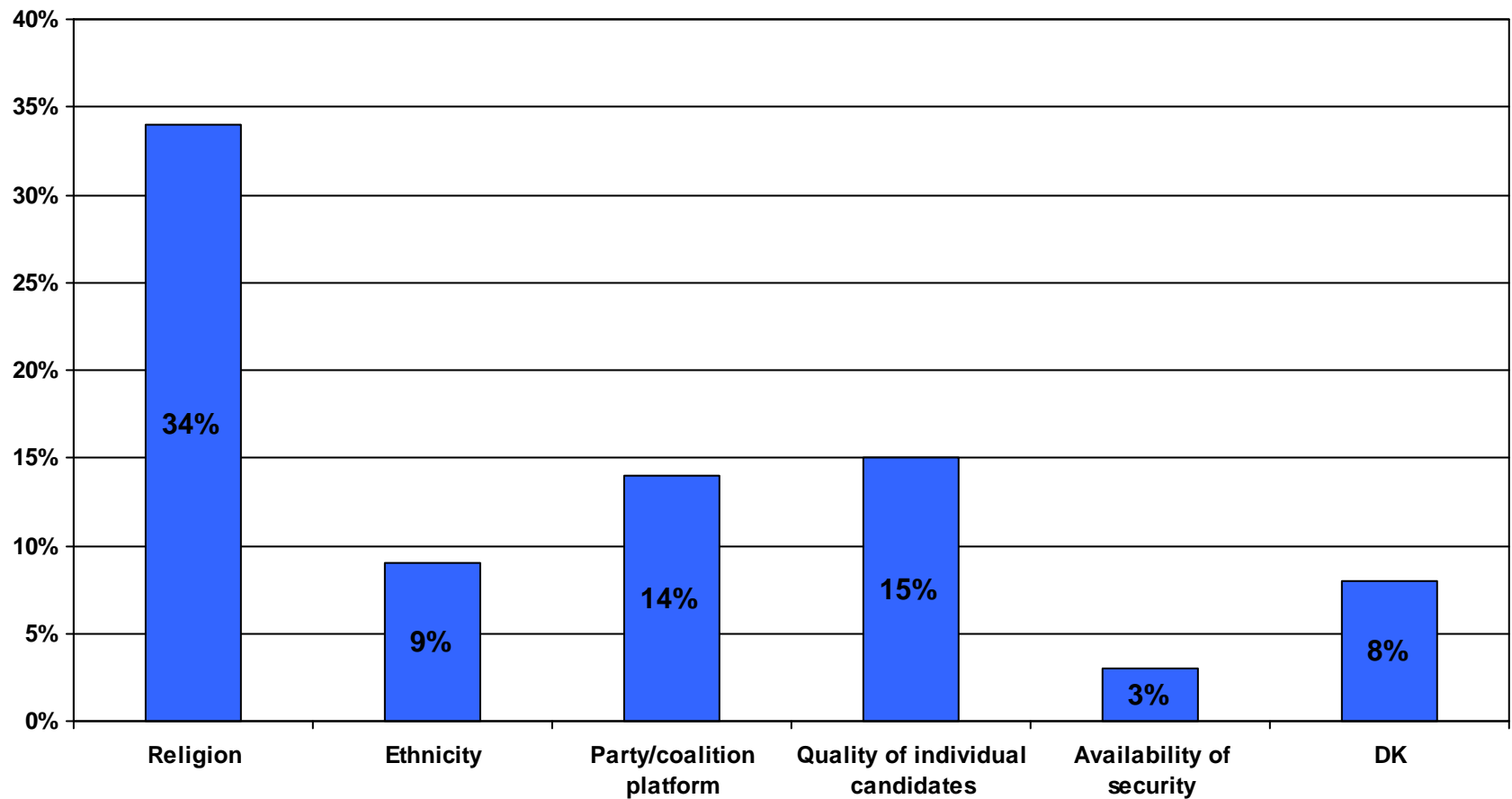
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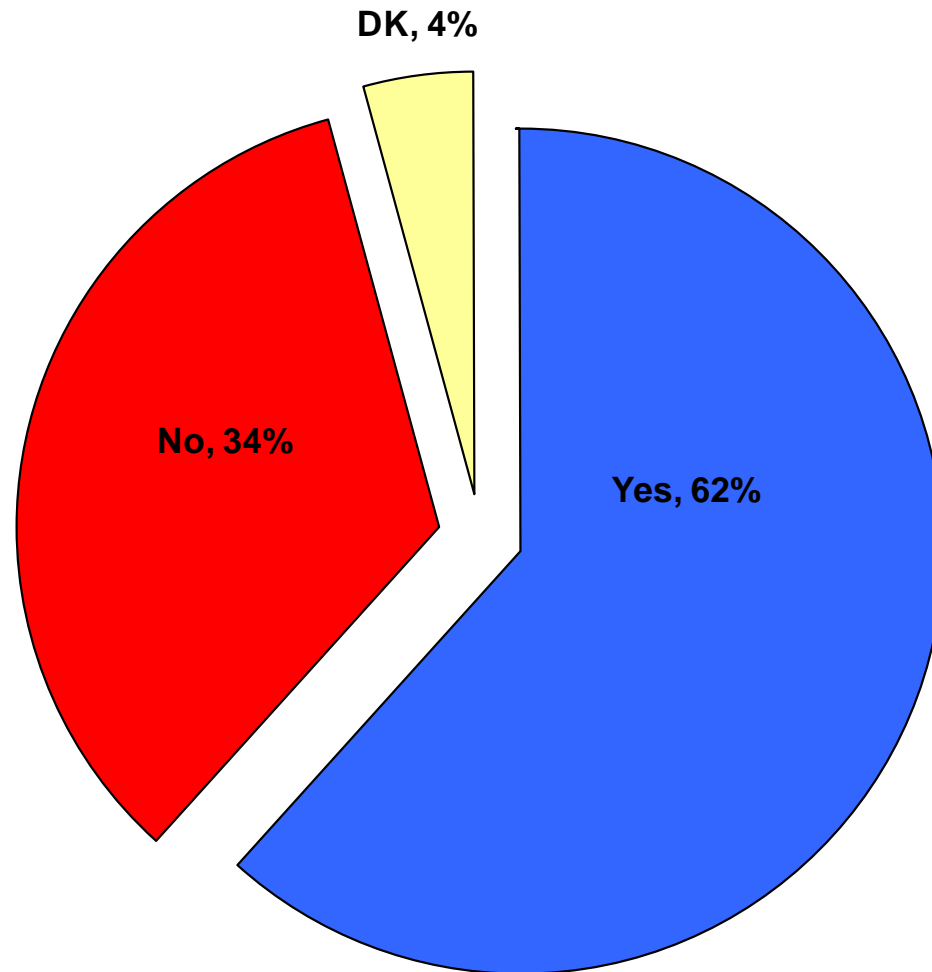


# What factor will have the greatest influence on your vote in the December elections?

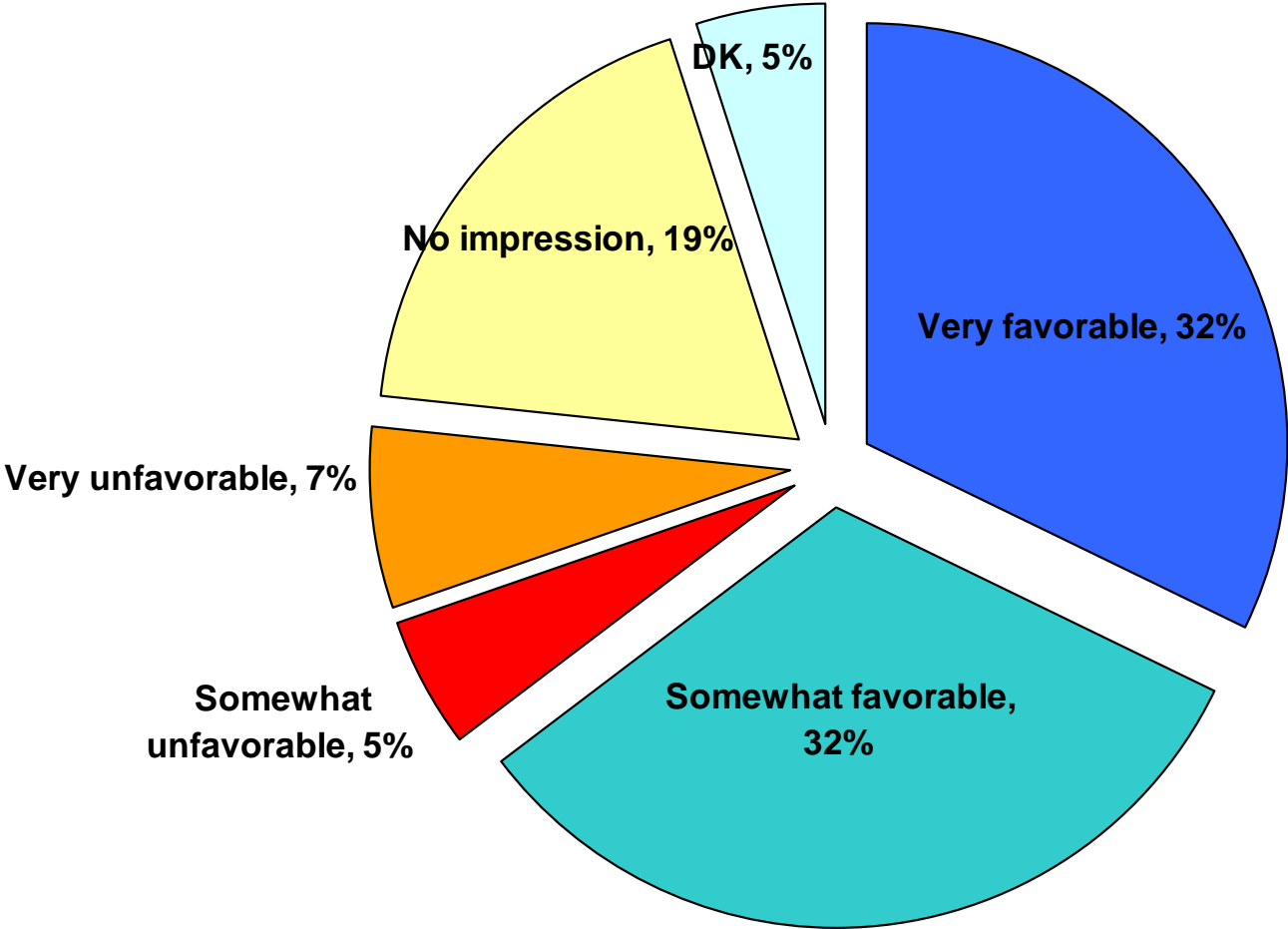




Have you ever heard of an institution known as the Independent Electoral Commission of Iraq?



# If yes, what is your overall impression of the IECI?



Which three television networks do you watch most frequently?  
 Please list them starting with the network you watch most often and concluding with the network least often.

