

# Republic of Kenya National Opinion Poll

June 15-18, 2006

**International Republican Institute  
Strategic Public Relations and Research**



# INFORMATION ABOUT THE SURVEY

- This nationwide opinion survey was conducted from June 15-18, 2006.
- 3,001 Kenyan citizens aged 18 and above were interviewed face-to-face on a household basis.
- The margin of error does not exceed +/- 2 percent.
- The survey was carried out on behalf of the International Republican Institute (IRI).
- The study was designed, coordinated and analyzed by Strategic Public Relations and Research (SPRR), in consultation with IRI's Nairobi office. All fieldwork was carried out by SPRR.
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# Respondents' Demographic Information

**Number of respondents: 3,001**

## Sex

Male	54.4%
Female	45.6%

## Age Group

18-25	33.2%
26-35	27.6%
36-45	18.4%
46-55	11.2%
56+	9.4%
Don't Know	0.3%

## Education Level

No formal education	3.7%
Primary	22.9%
Secondary	36.6%
Tertiary	25.9%
University	8.1%
Post Graduate	2.1%

## Monthly Income

Less than Kshs 5,000	30.7%
5,001-10,000	23.9%
10,001-20,000	16.6%
20,001-30,000	9.0%
30,001-40,000	4.9%
40,001-50,000	2.7%
50,001-150,000	2.3%
More than 150,000	0.7%
Don't Know	3.1%
Refused to Answer	6.1%

## Location

Urban	42.4%
Rural	57.6%

# Respondents' Demographic Information

## Employment Status

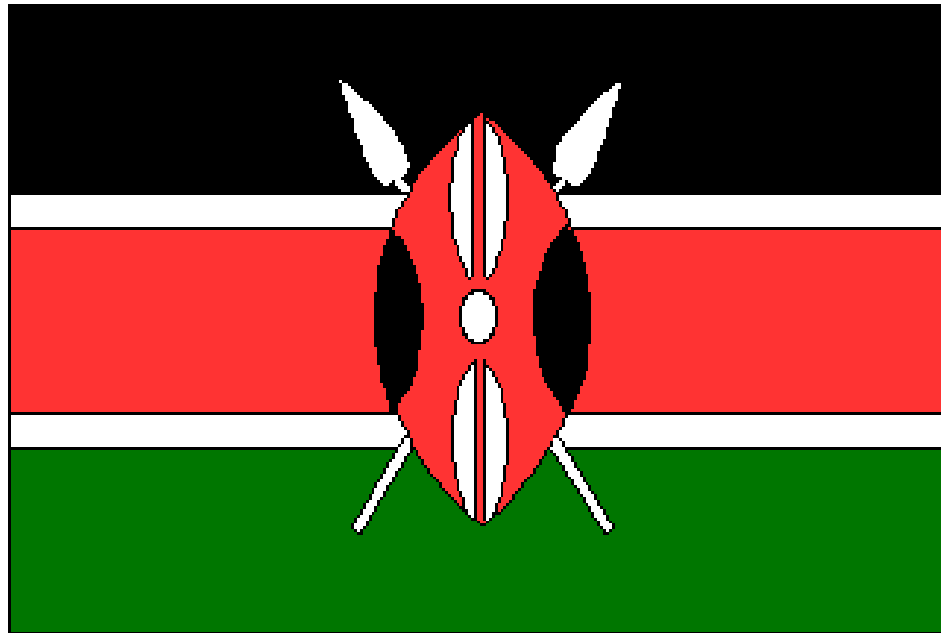
Full time formal employment	18.1%
Full time informal employment	27.1%
Part time formal employment	5.4%
Part time informal employment	11.1%
Unemployed	26.1%
Student	7.5%
Retired	4.4%
No Response	0.3%

## Religion

Catholic	32.9%
Protestant	55.9%
Traditionalist	2.2%
Muslim	6.8%
Hindu	0.2%
Others	1.4%
No Response	0.8%

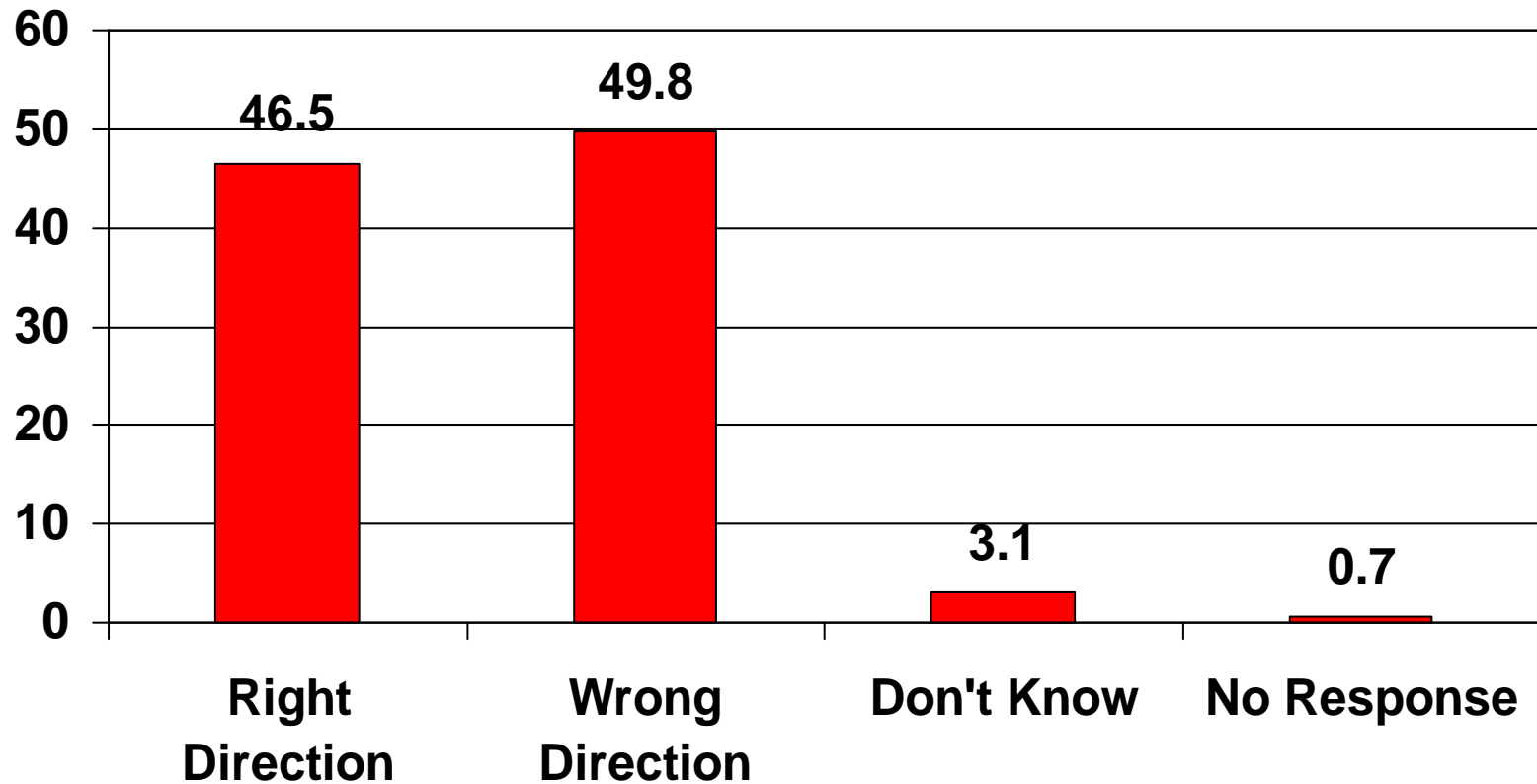
## Occupation

Medical	2.9%
Education	0.2%
Administration	2.8%
Civic Leader	0.2%
Housewife	4.5%
Farmer	18.2%
Student	6.2%
Business	18.8%
Professional	18.8%
Civil Servant	1.4%
Clergy	0.4%
Unemployed	3.7%
Unskilled Laborer	13.9%
Retired	1.0%
House Help	1.1%
No Response	6.1%

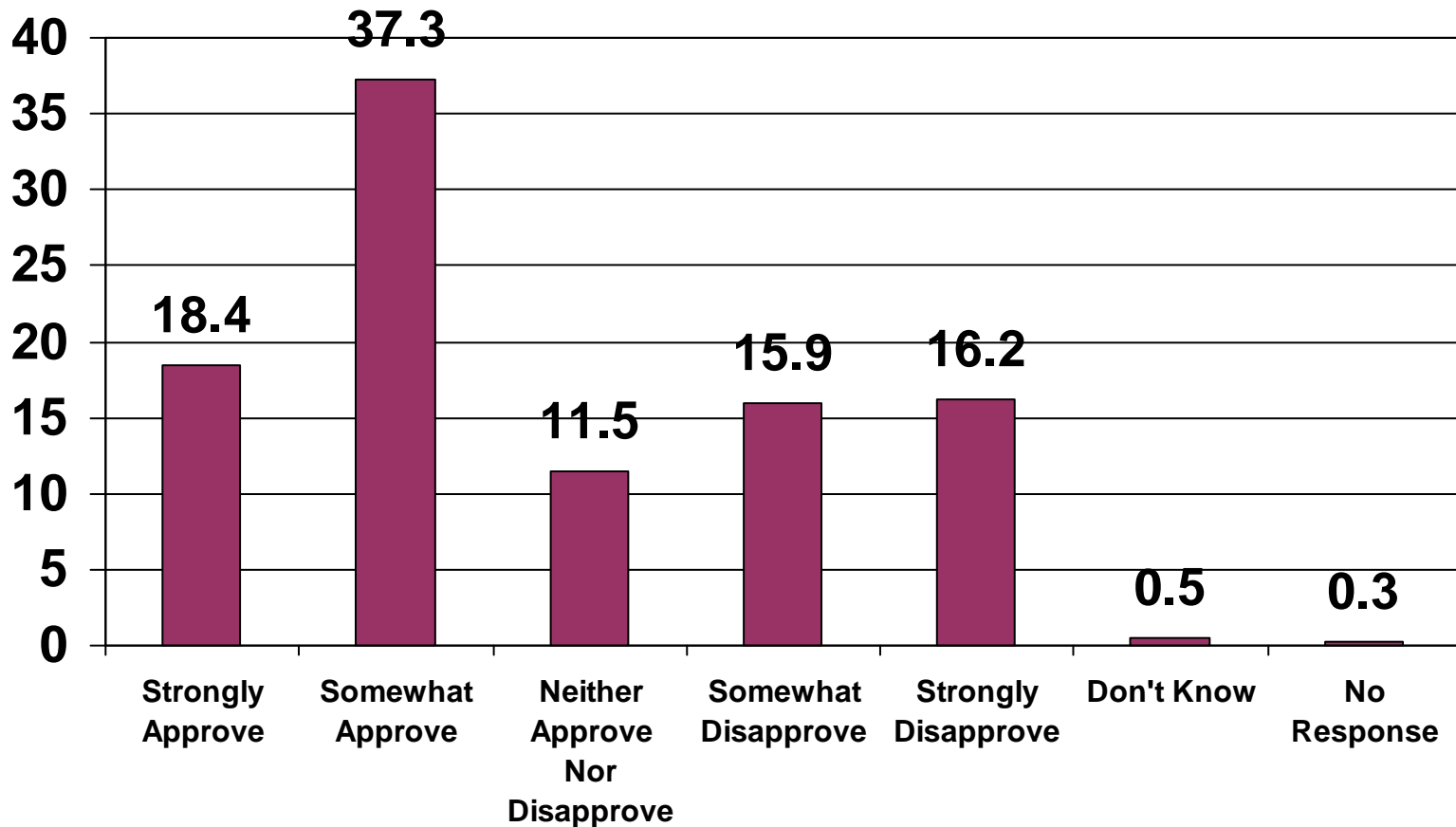


# **VIEWS ON THE STATE OF THE COUNTRY AND THE GOVERNMENT**

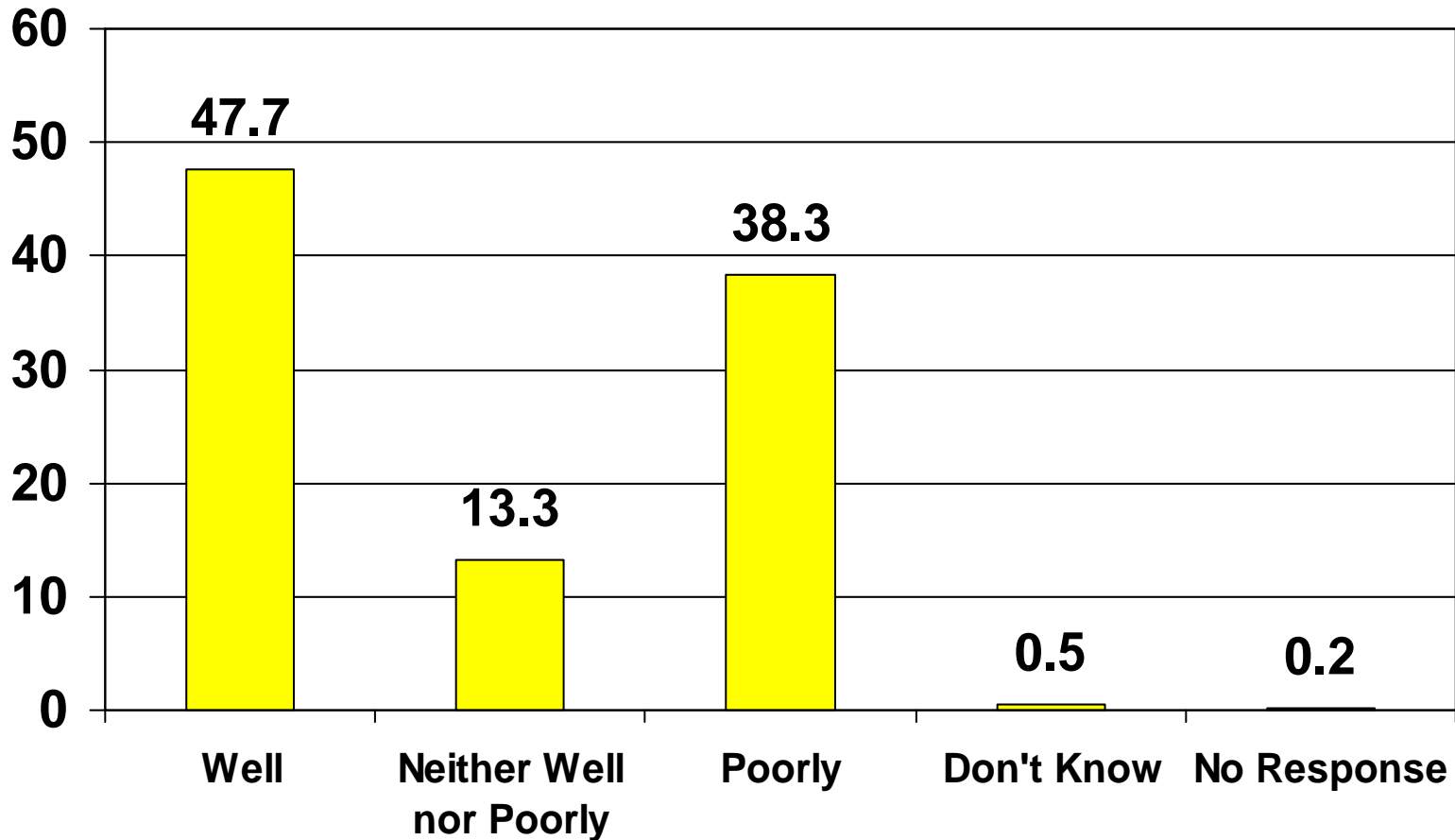
# Overall, would you say that the country is headed in the right direction or the wrong direction?



# Do you approve or disapprove of the job the government has done running the country since the 2002 election?

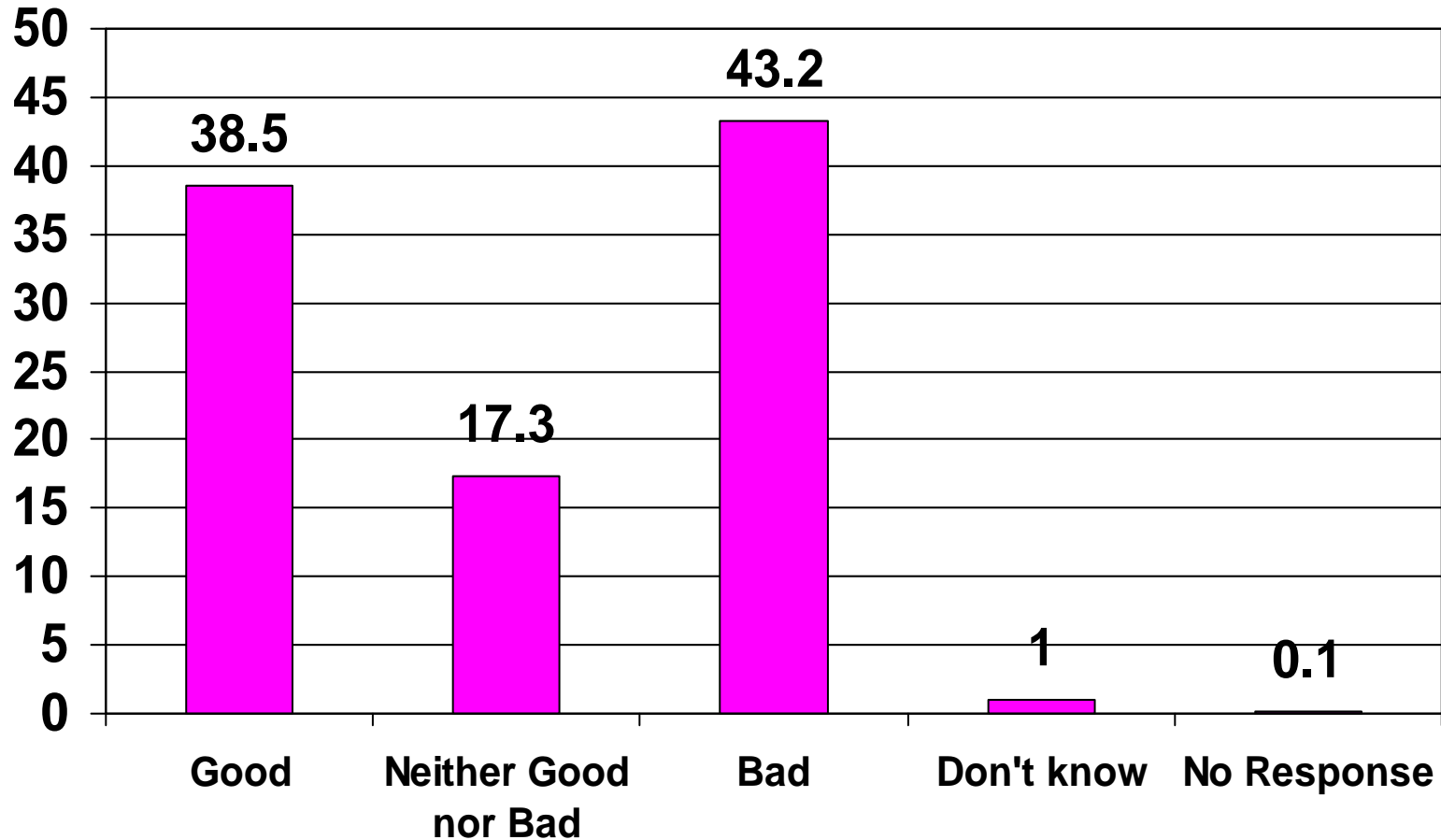


# Has the government done well or done poorly in fulfilling its election promises from 2002?

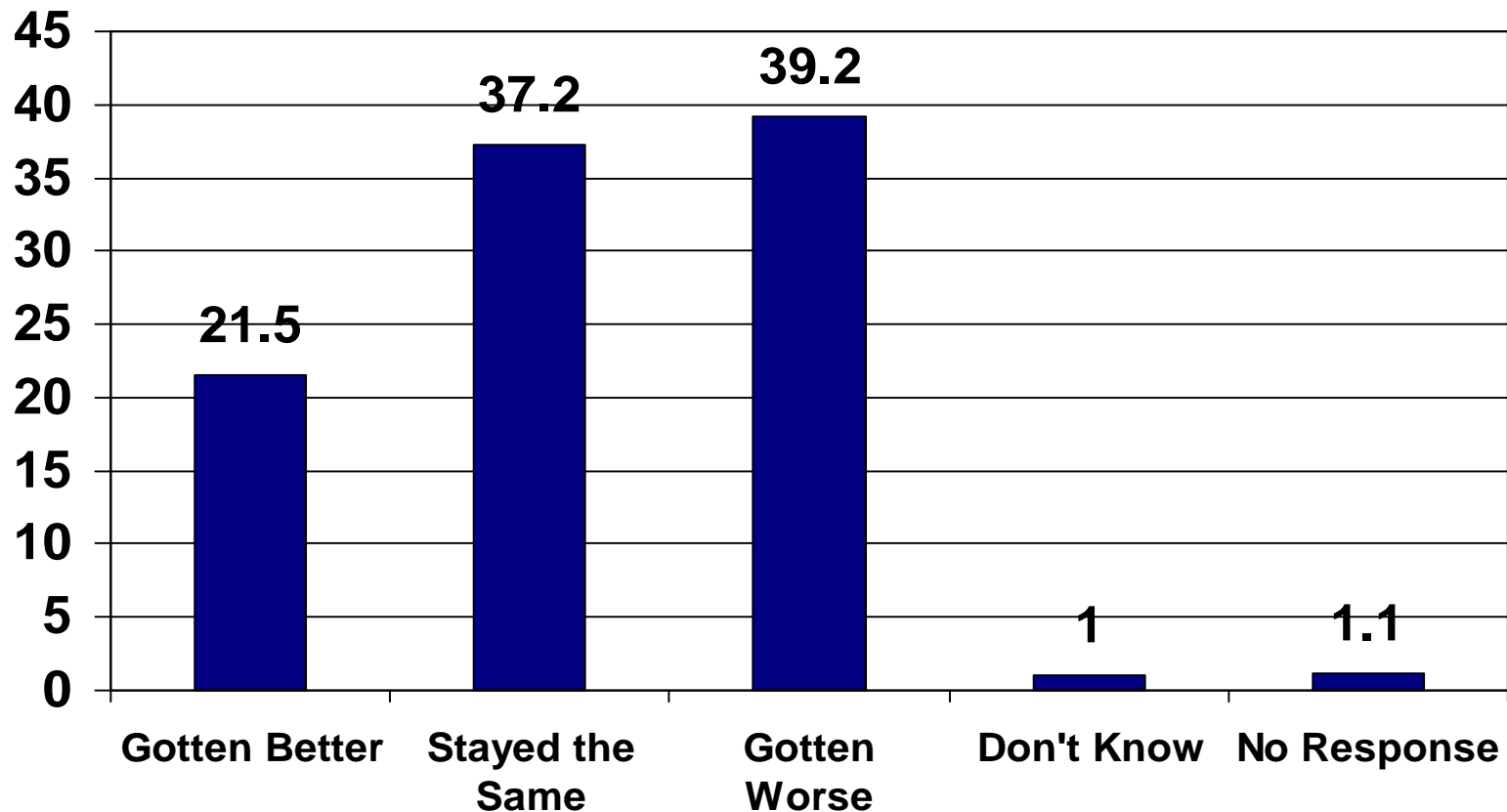




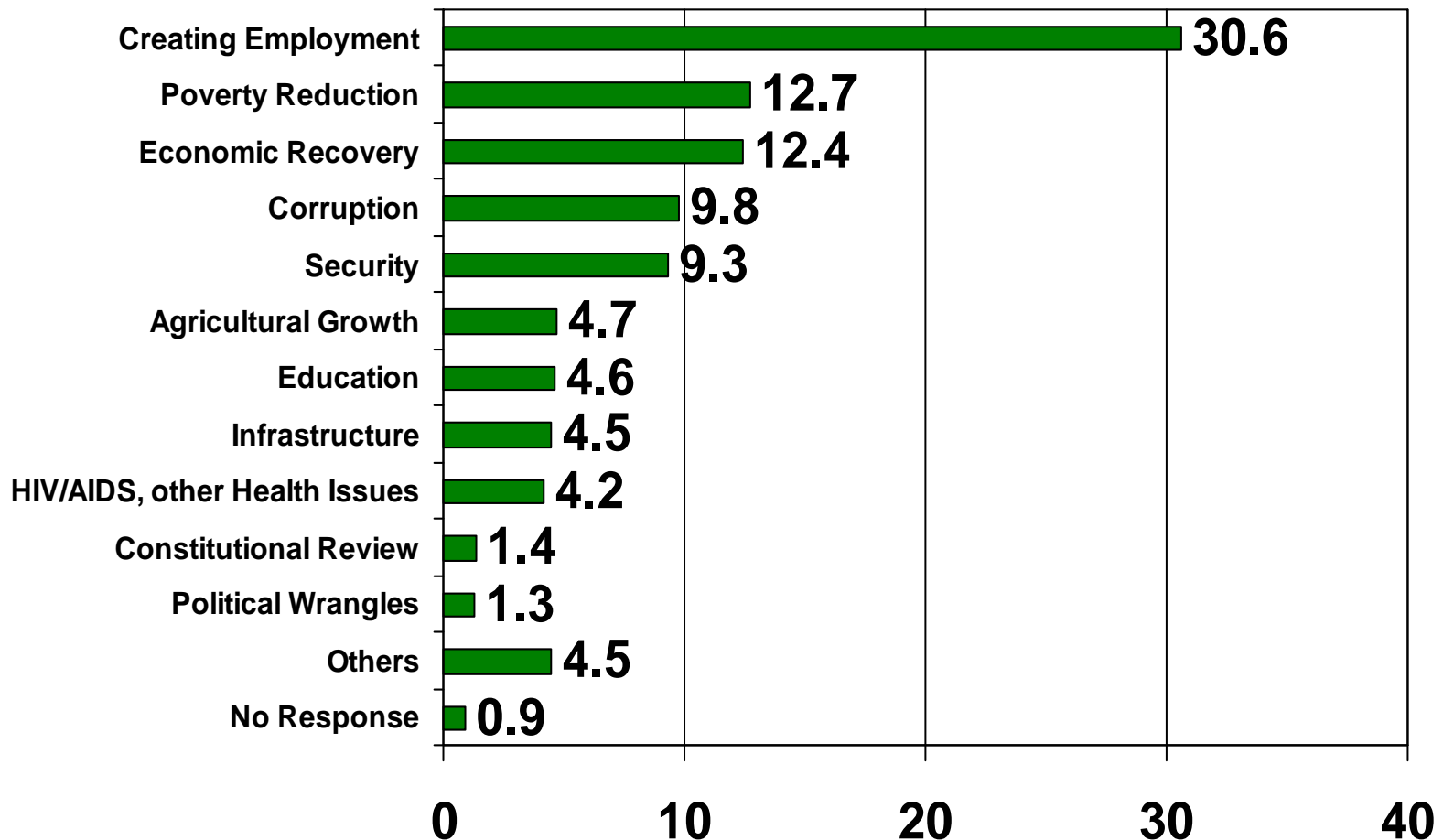
# Would you say the condition of Kenya's economy is good or bad?

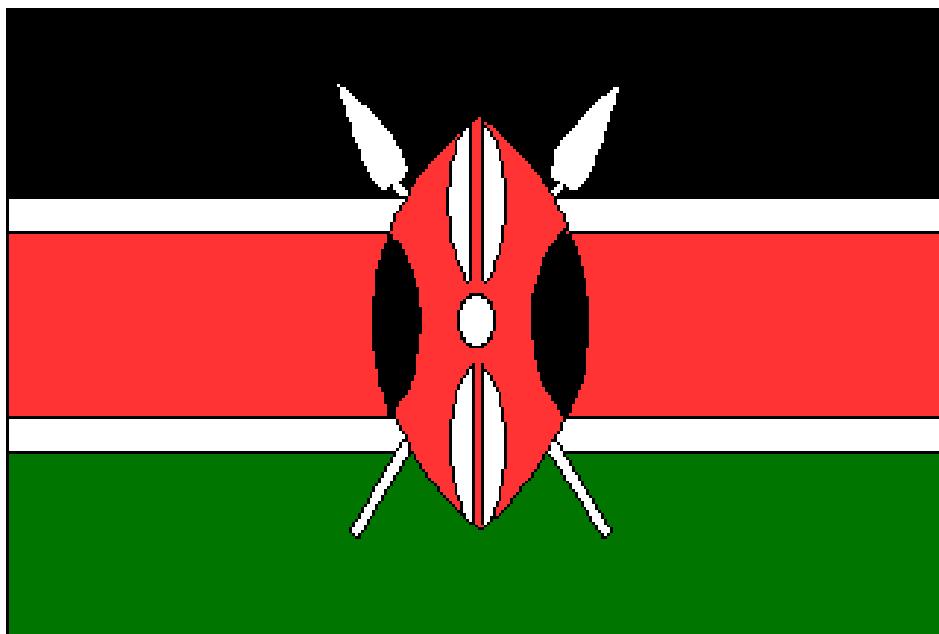


# Would you say that your personal economic condition has gotten better, stayed the same or gotten worse over the past five years?



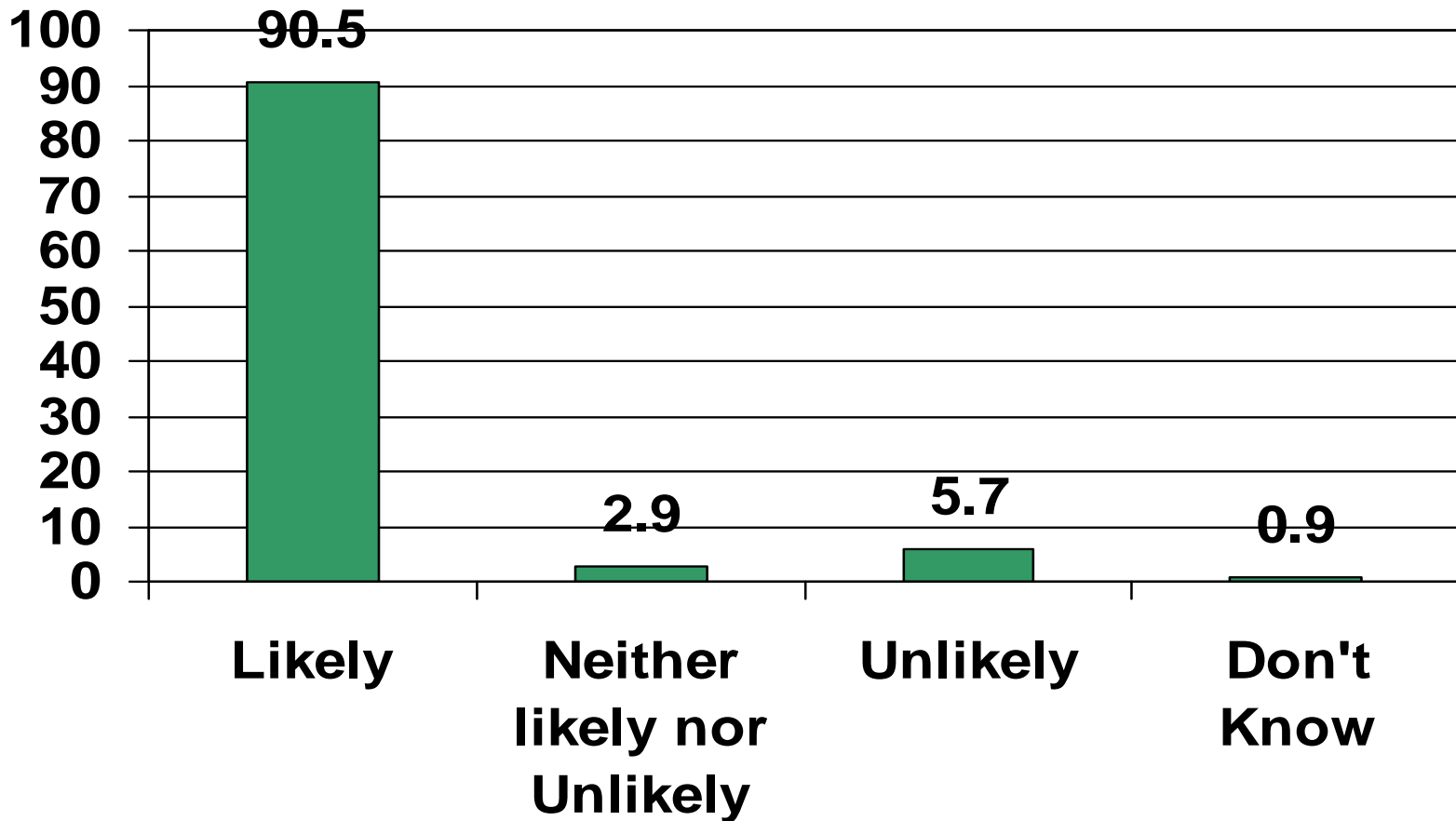
# What is the most important issue the Kenyan government should address?



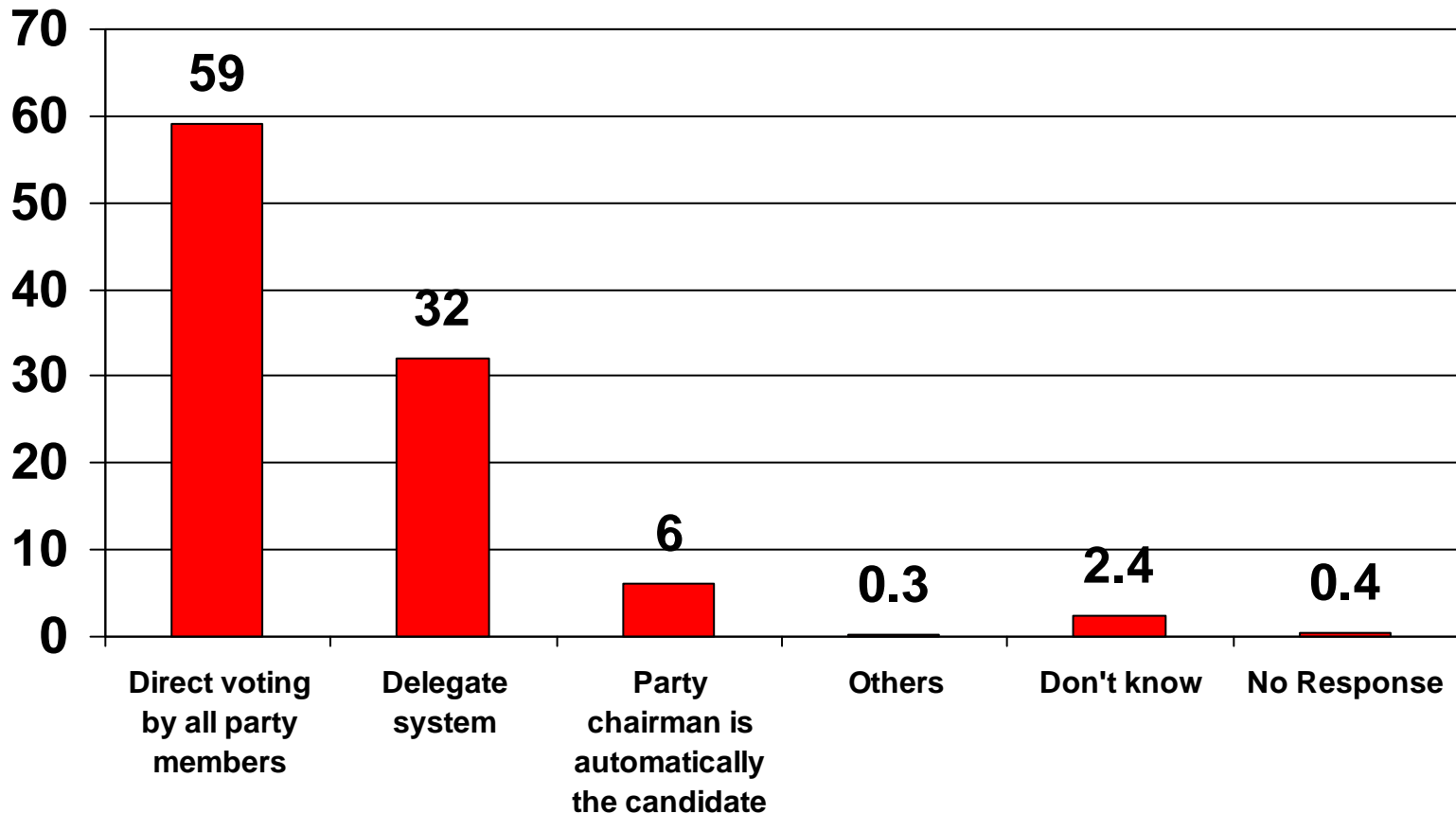


# **VIEWS ON THE 2007 GENERAL ELECTION**

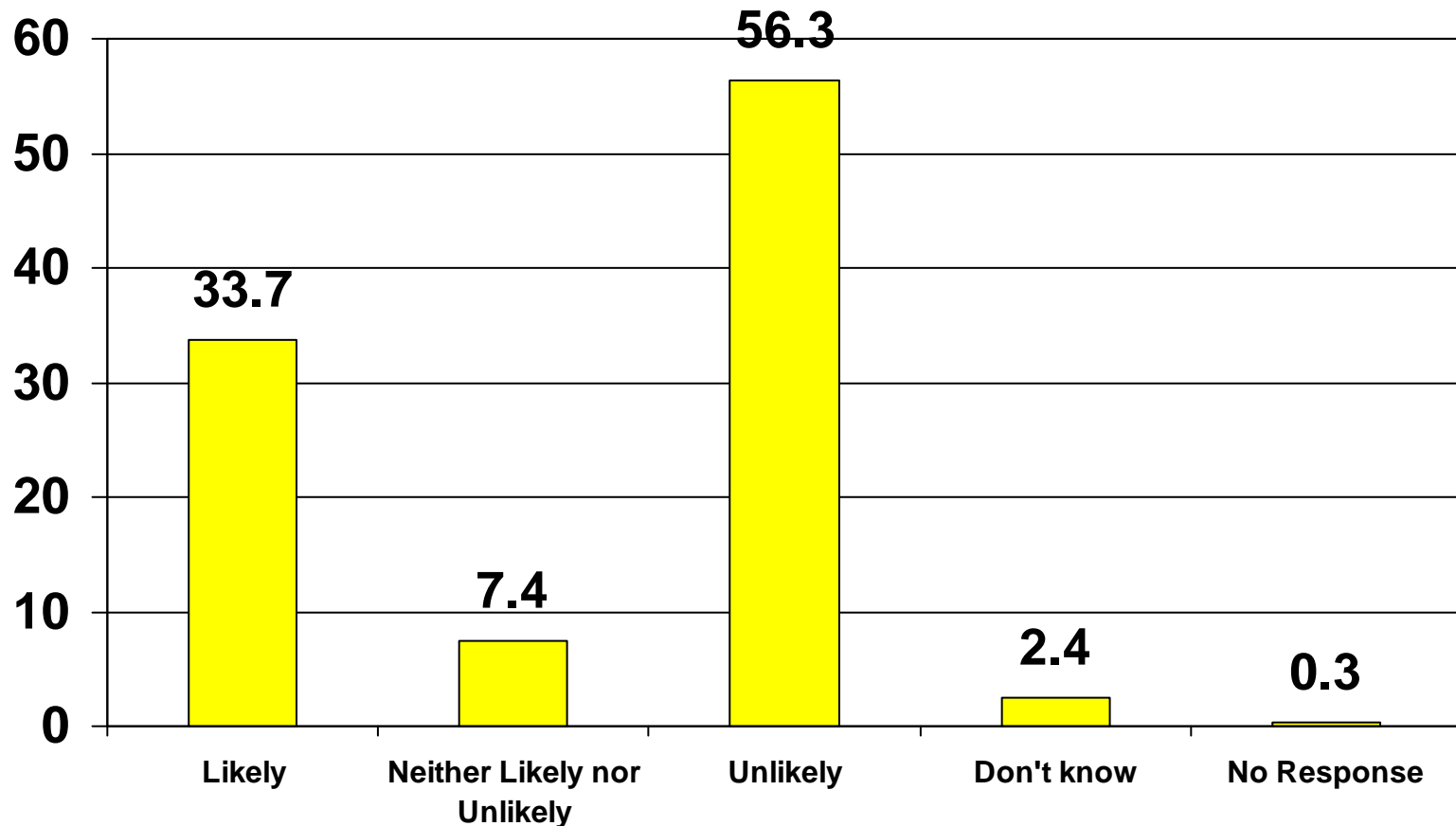
# Are you likely or unlikely to vote in the 2007 general election?



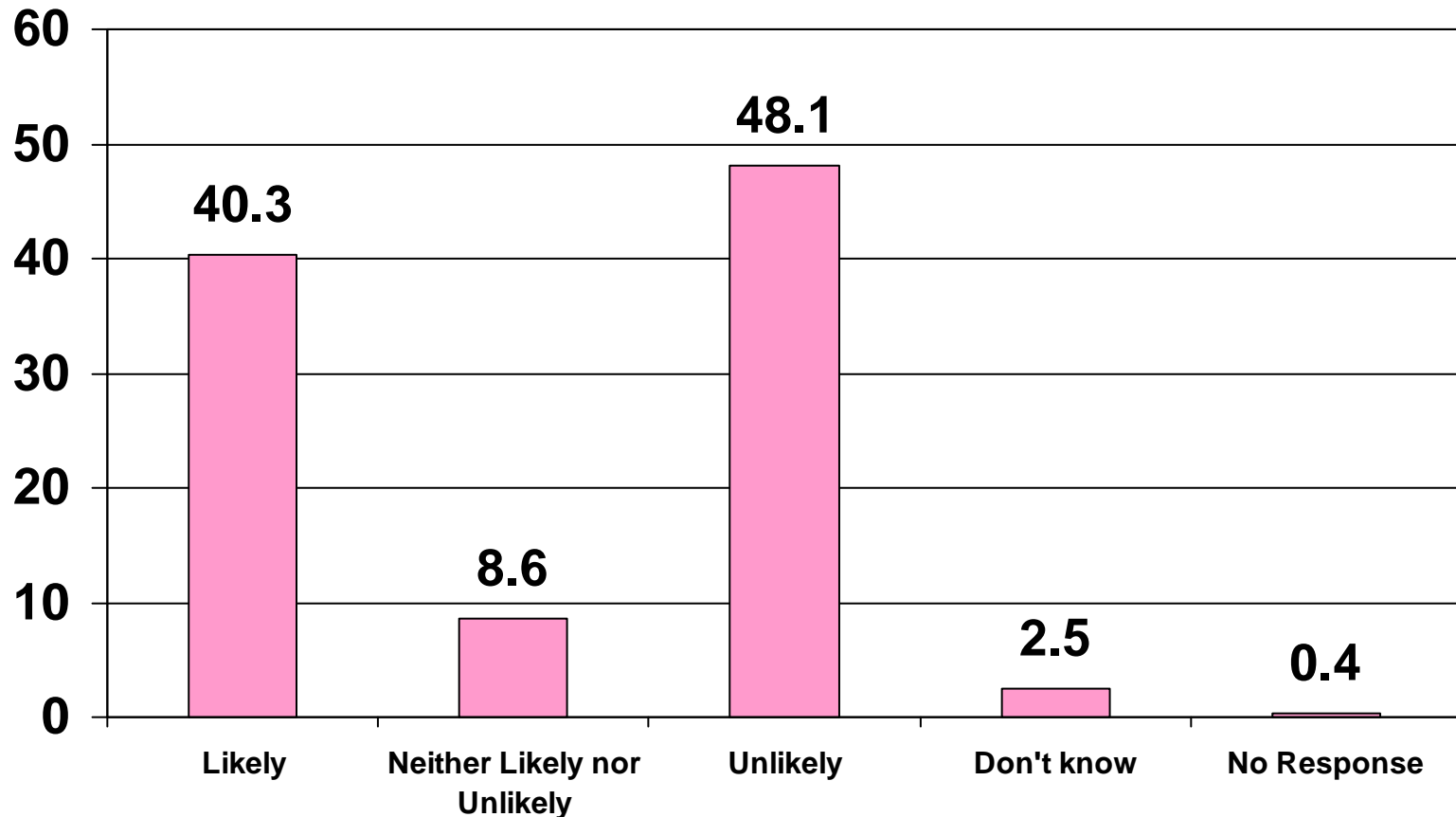
# Which one of the following methods do you think political parties should use to nominate their presidential candidates?



# Would the people you know be likely or unlikely to vote for a female candidate for president?

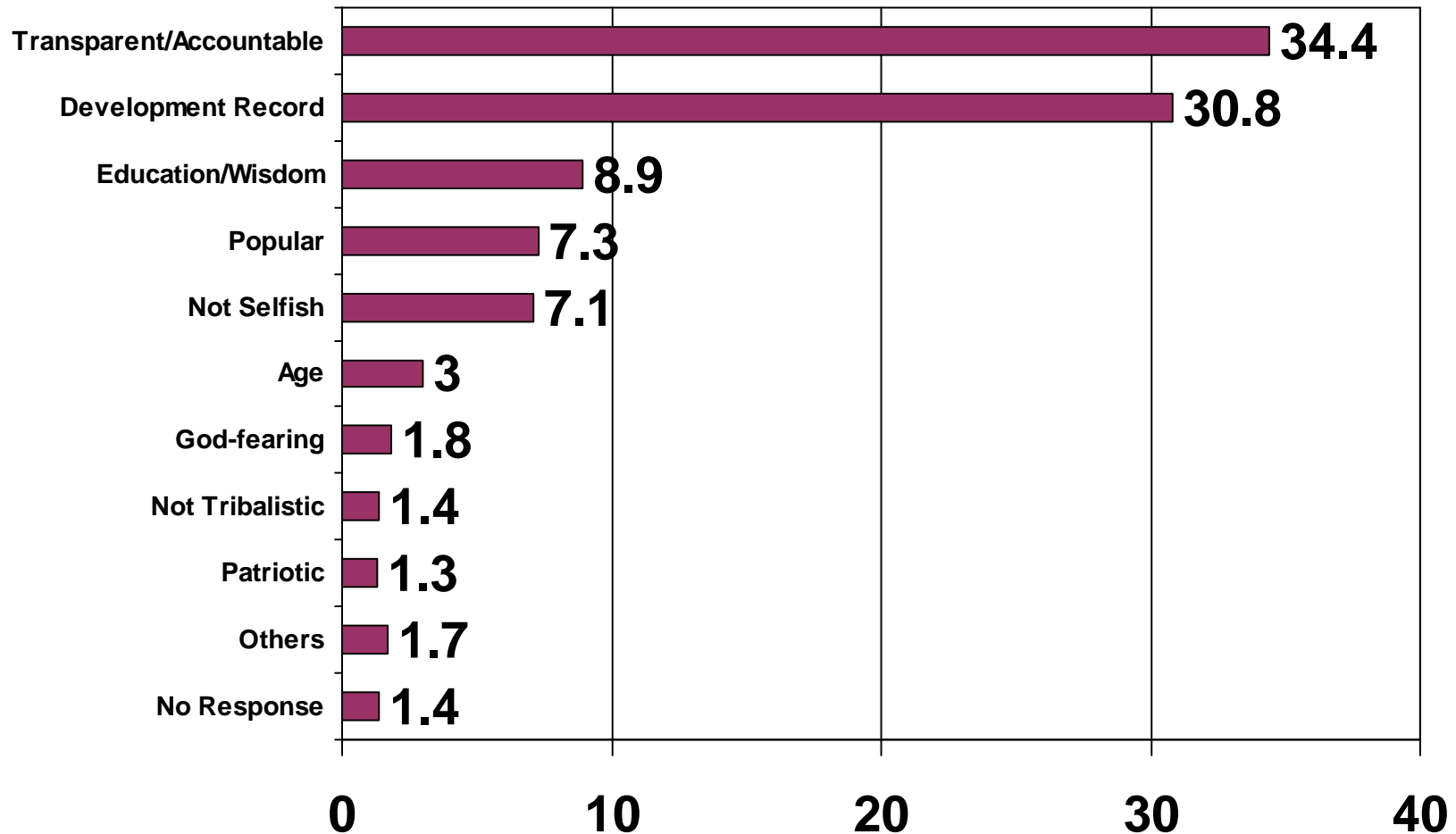


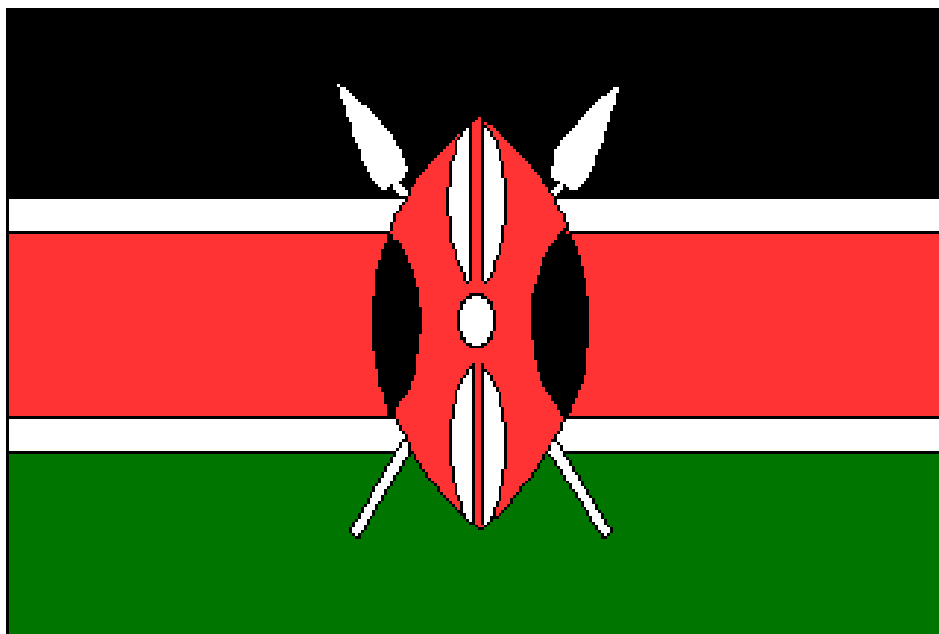
# Would voters in your constituency be likely or unlikely to vote for a female candidate for parliament?





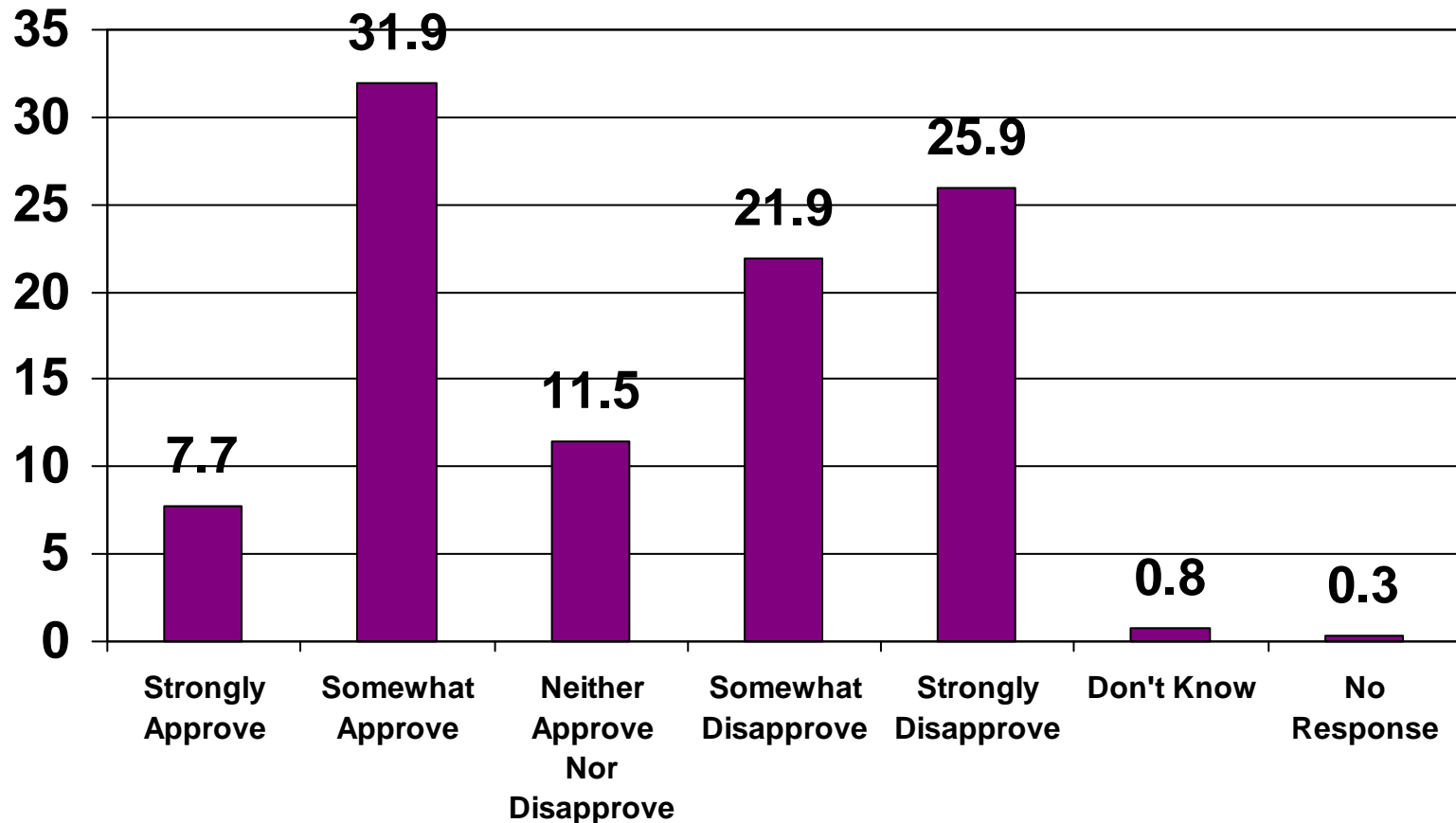
# What is the single most important quality a parliamentary candidate should have?



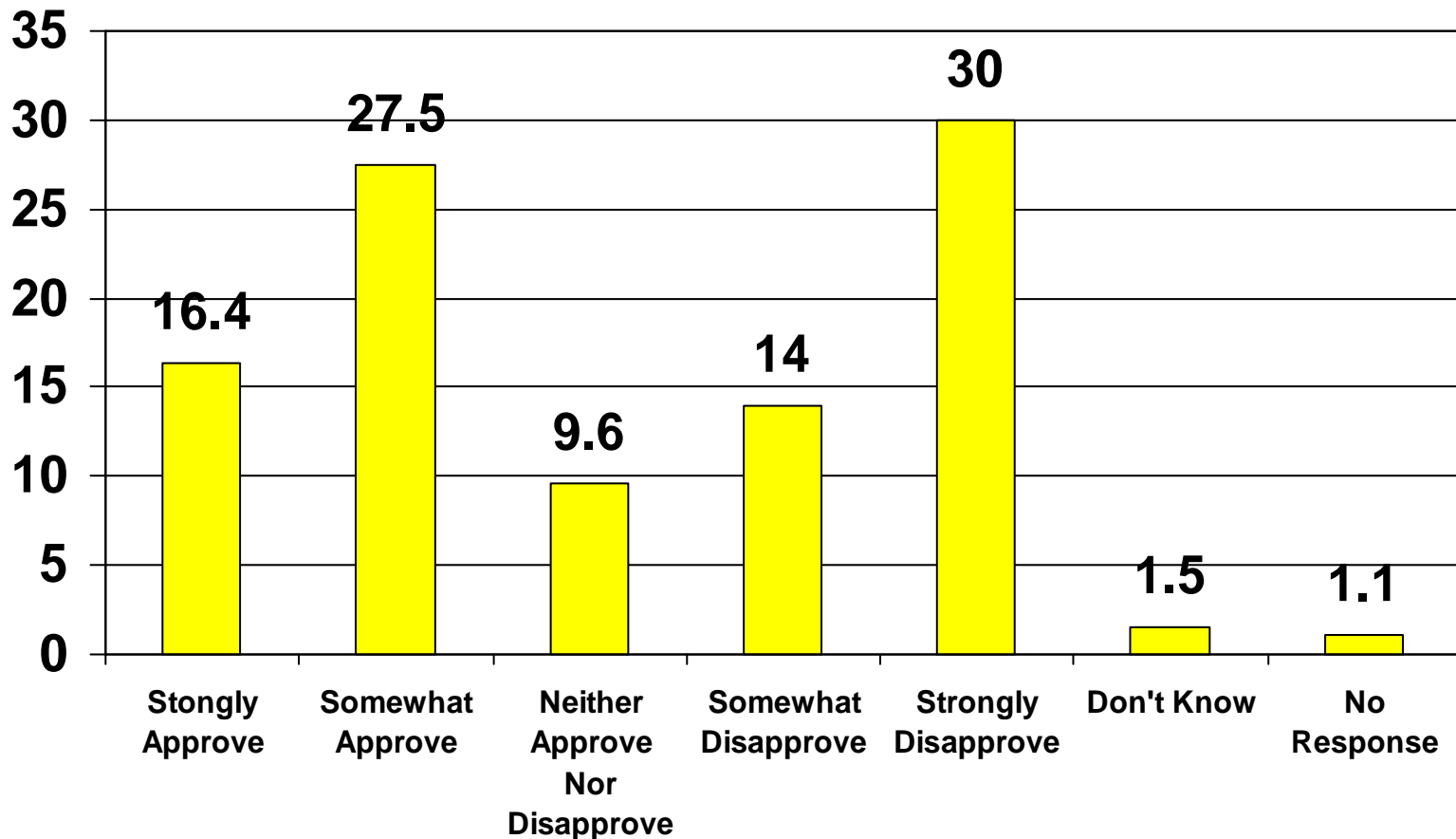


## **VIEWS ON THE 9<sup>TH</sup> PARLIAMENT**

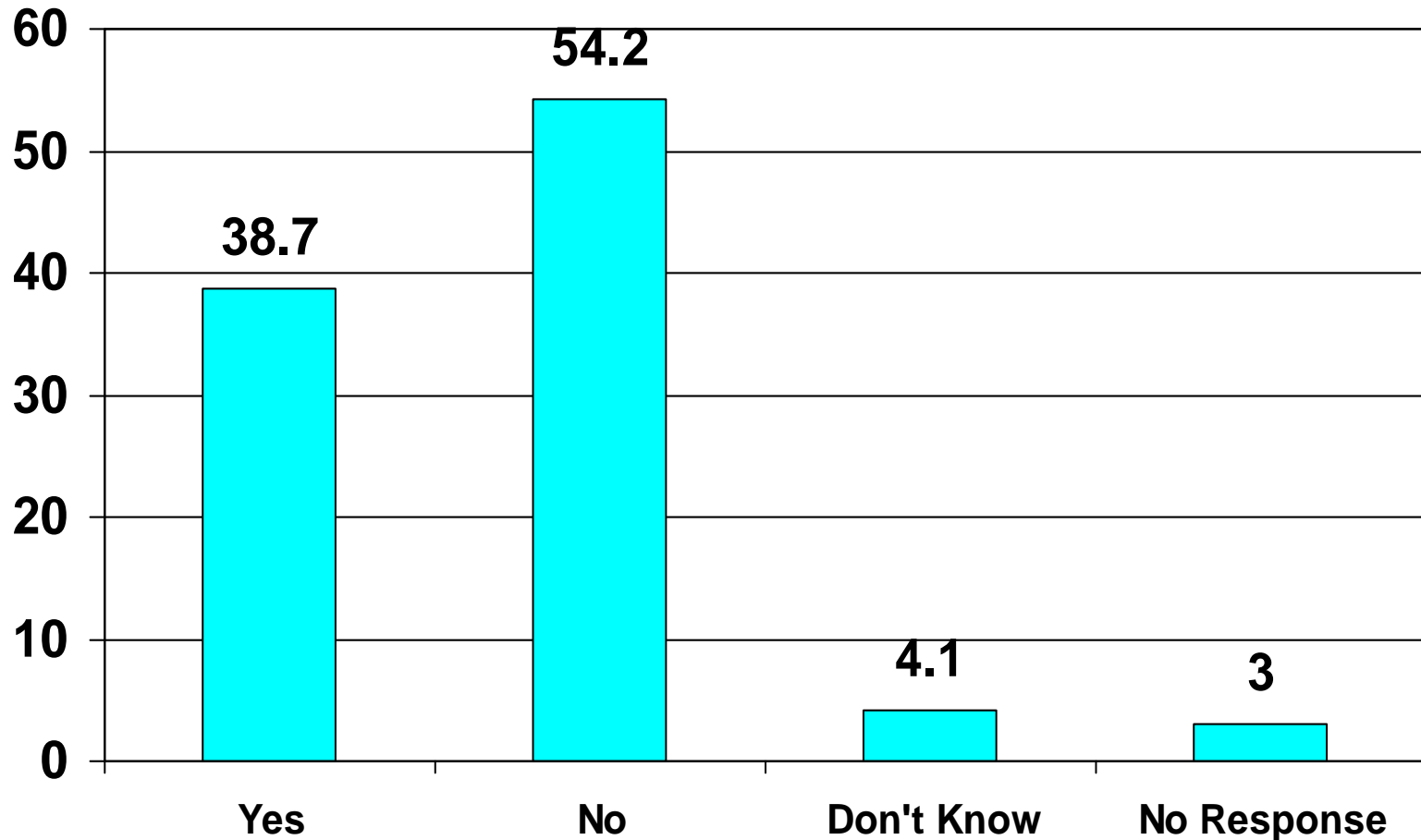
# Do you approve or disapprove of the current parliament's performance since the 2002 election?



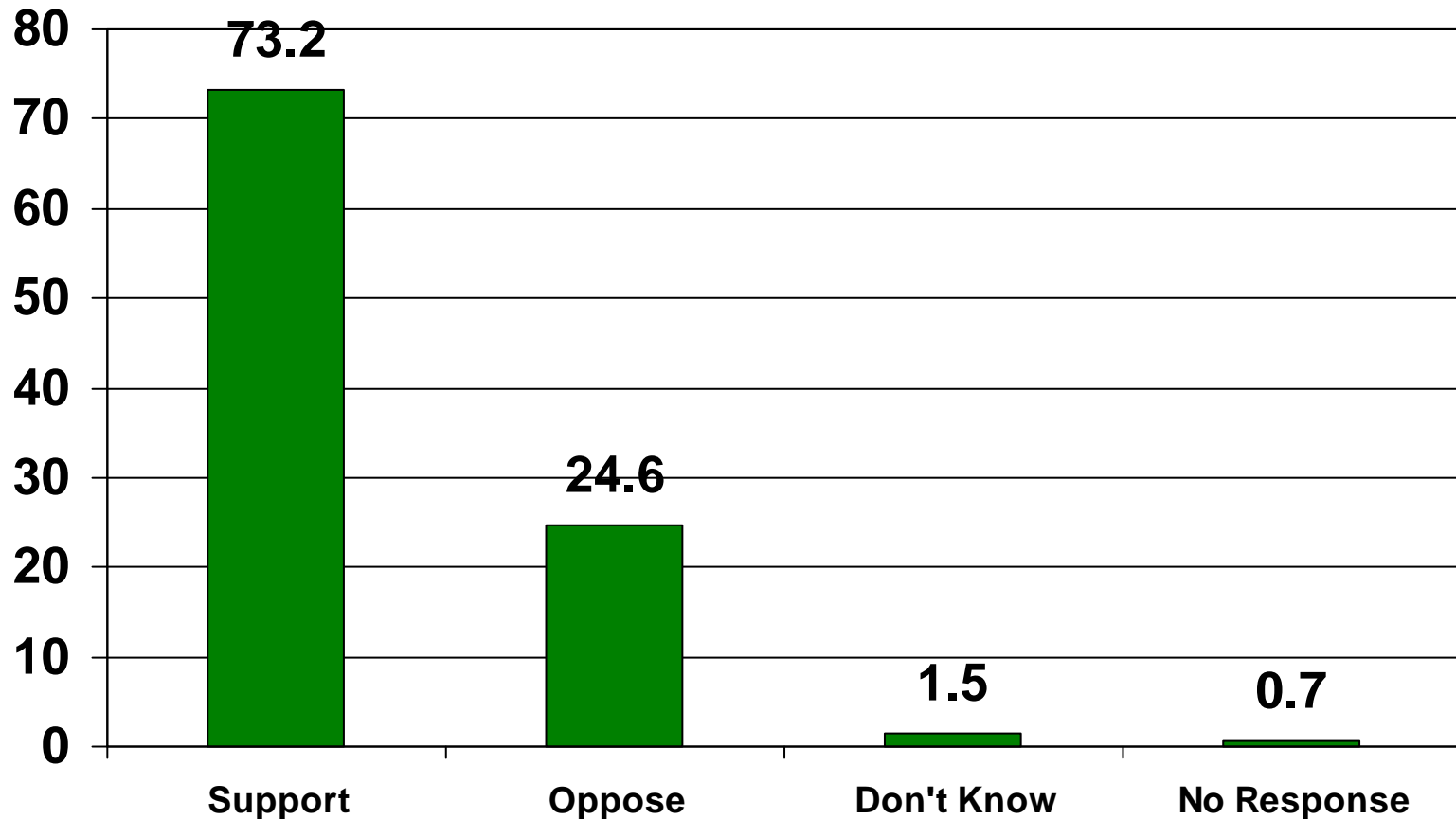
# Do you approve or disapprove of your own member of parliament's performance since the 2002 election?

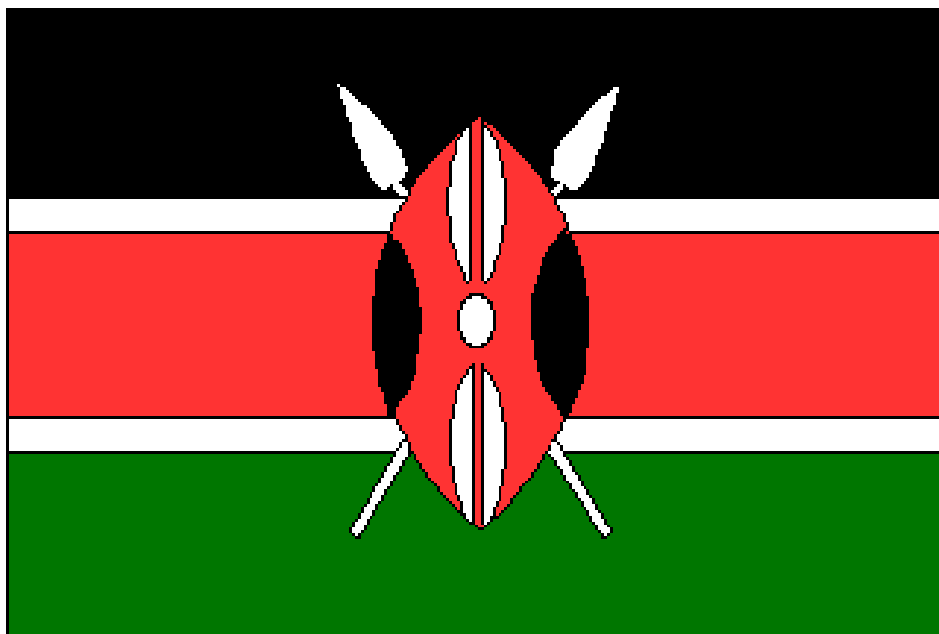


# Do you think your member of parliament deserves to be re-elected?



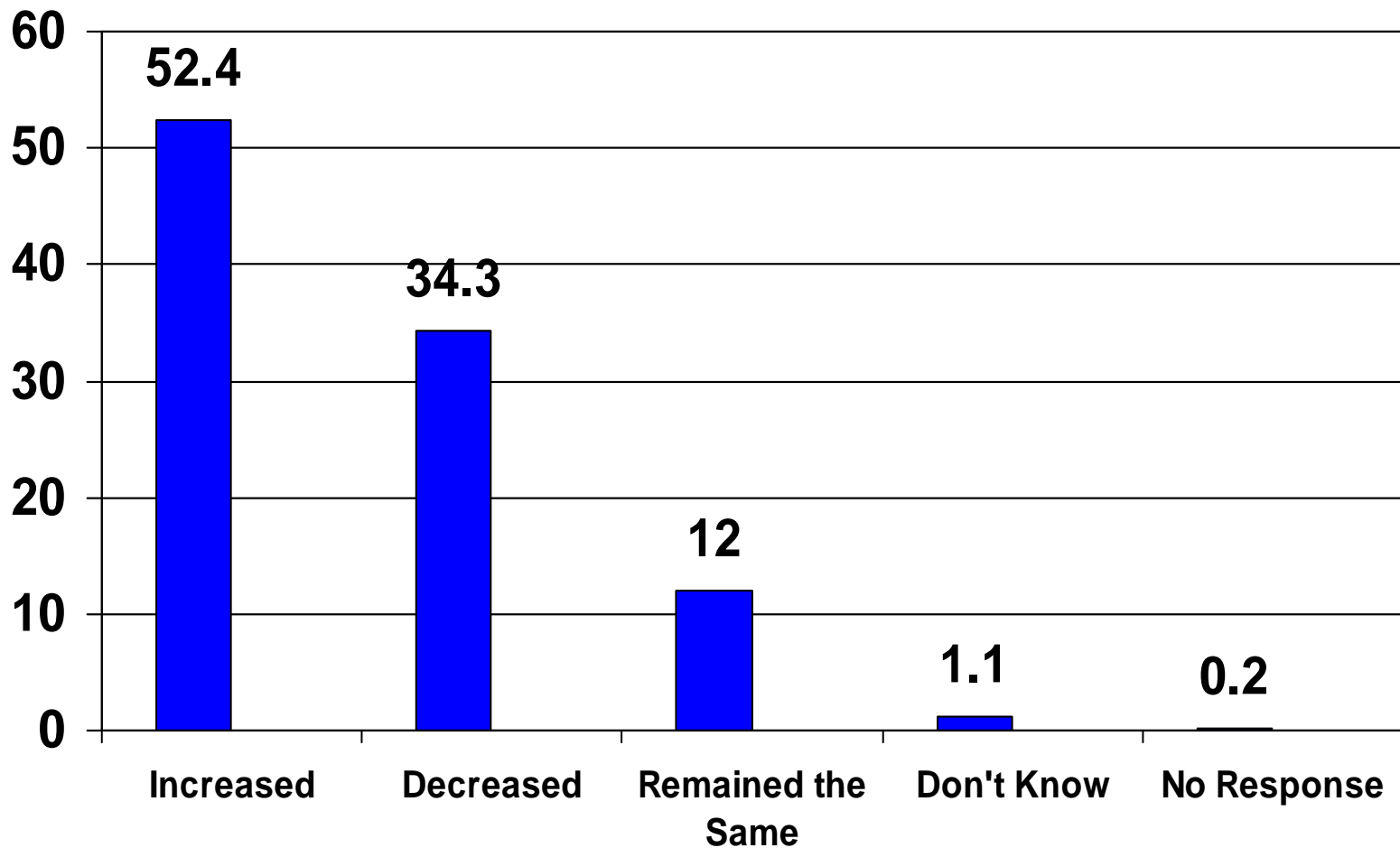
**When I say “coalition” I mean two or more political parties coming together for a common cause. Do you support or oppose such coalitions?**





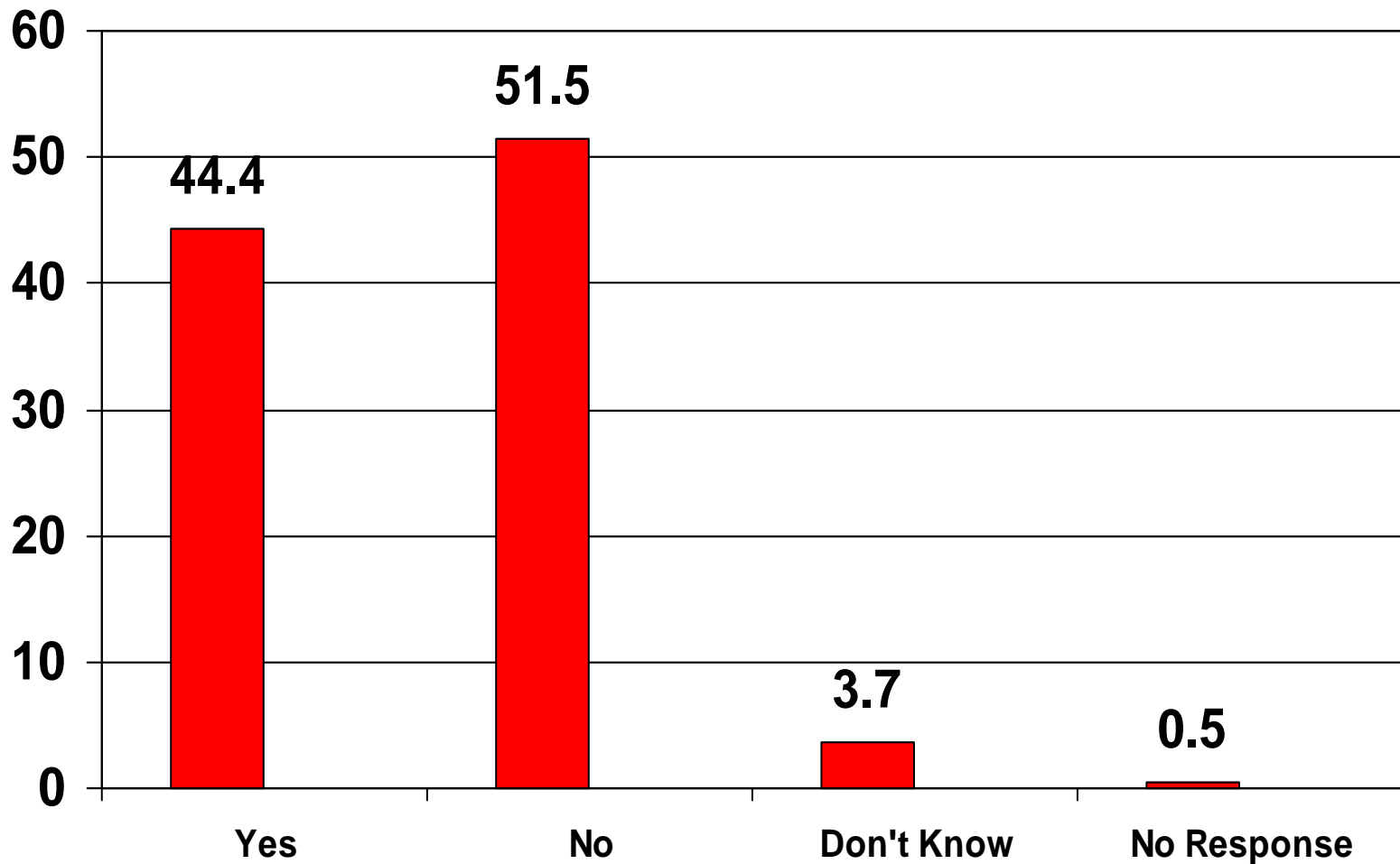
## **VIEWS ON CORRUPTION**

**Would you say that corruption has increased, decreased or remained the same since the 2002 election?**



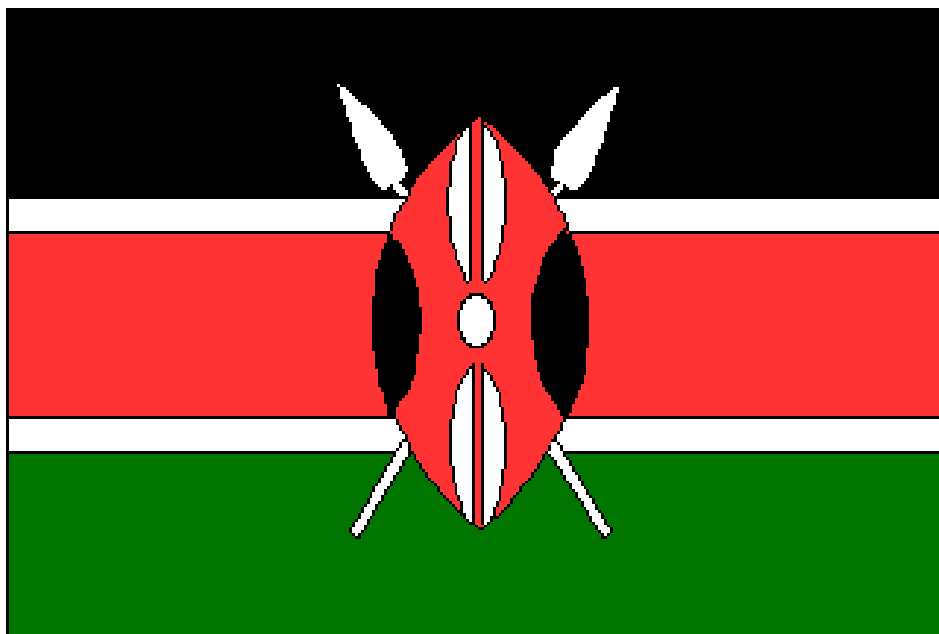


# Do you think that the government is committed to the fight against corruption in Kenya?



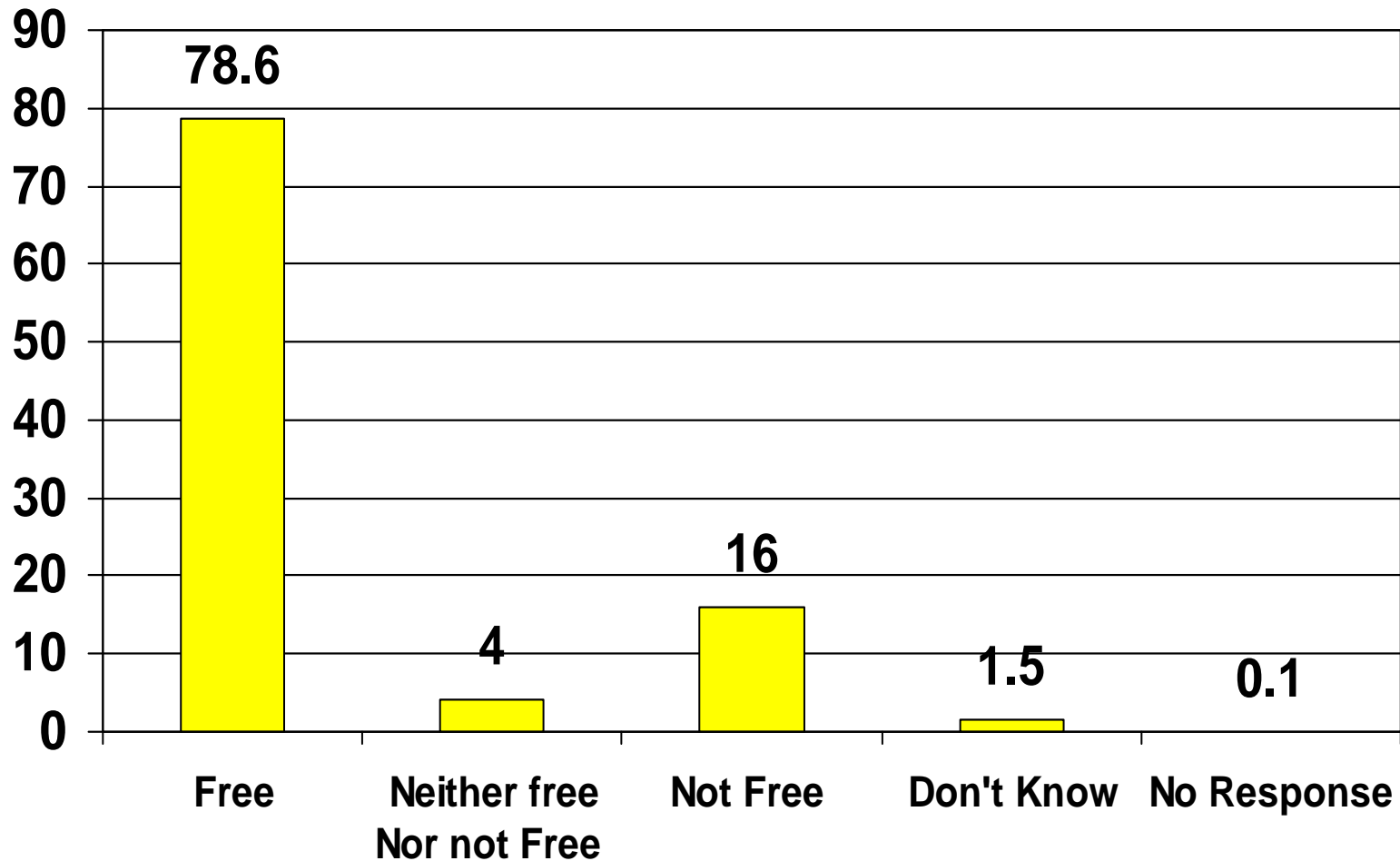
**Now I'm going to read you a list of corruption cases that have been in the news recently. For each of them, I would like you to tell me whether the government is likely or unlikely to deal conclusively with them.**

<b>Case</b>	<b>Likely</b>	<b>Unlikely</b>	<b>Don't Know</b>	<b>No Response</b>
Goldenberg	23.3	67.8	8.1	0.8
Anglo Leasing	19.8	70.9	8.3	0.9
Ndungu Report on Land Use	18.9	64.7	14.8	1.6
The Armenian (Artur) Brothers Issue	15.6	69.7	13.0	1.7

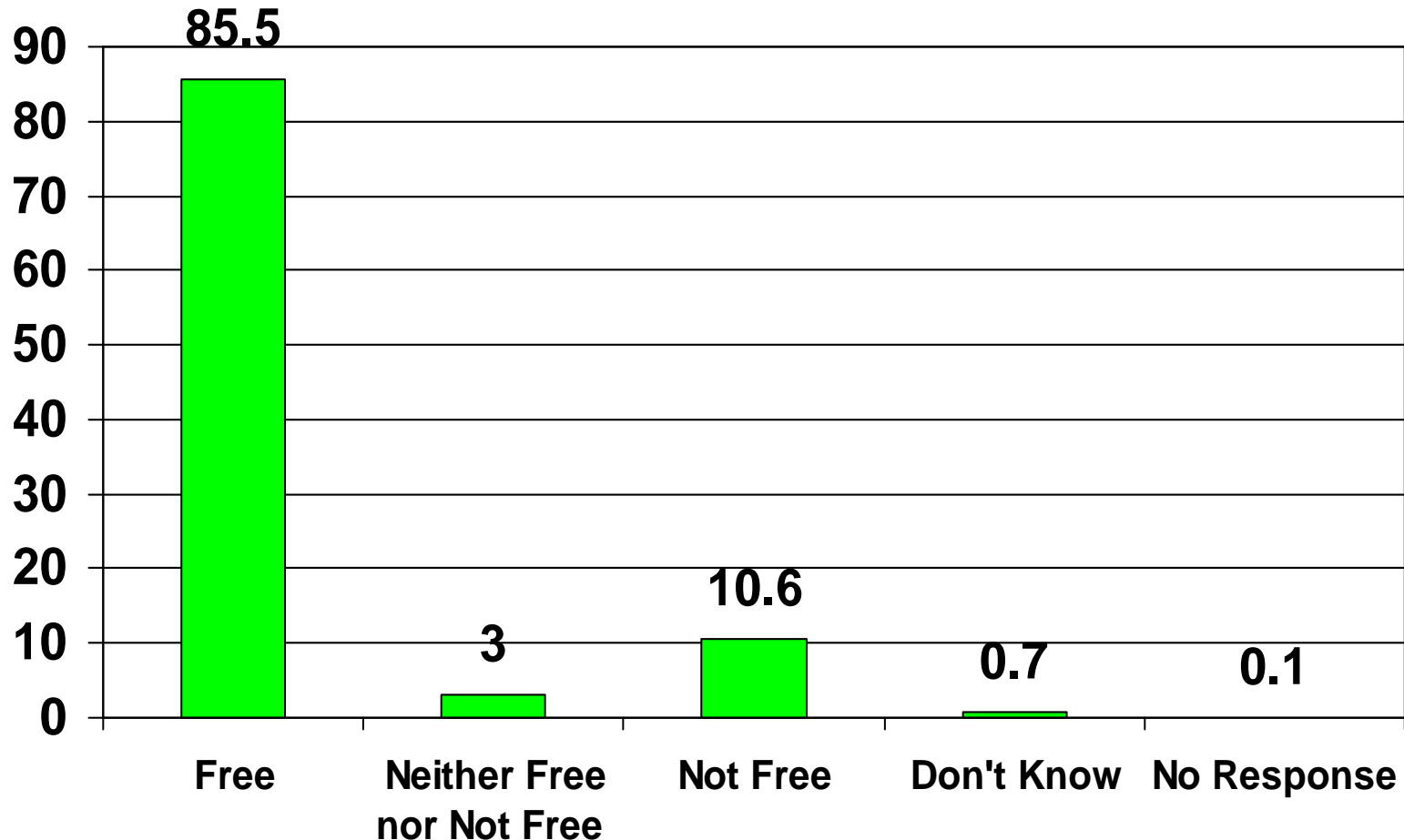


# **VIEWS ON THE MEDIA AND FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION**

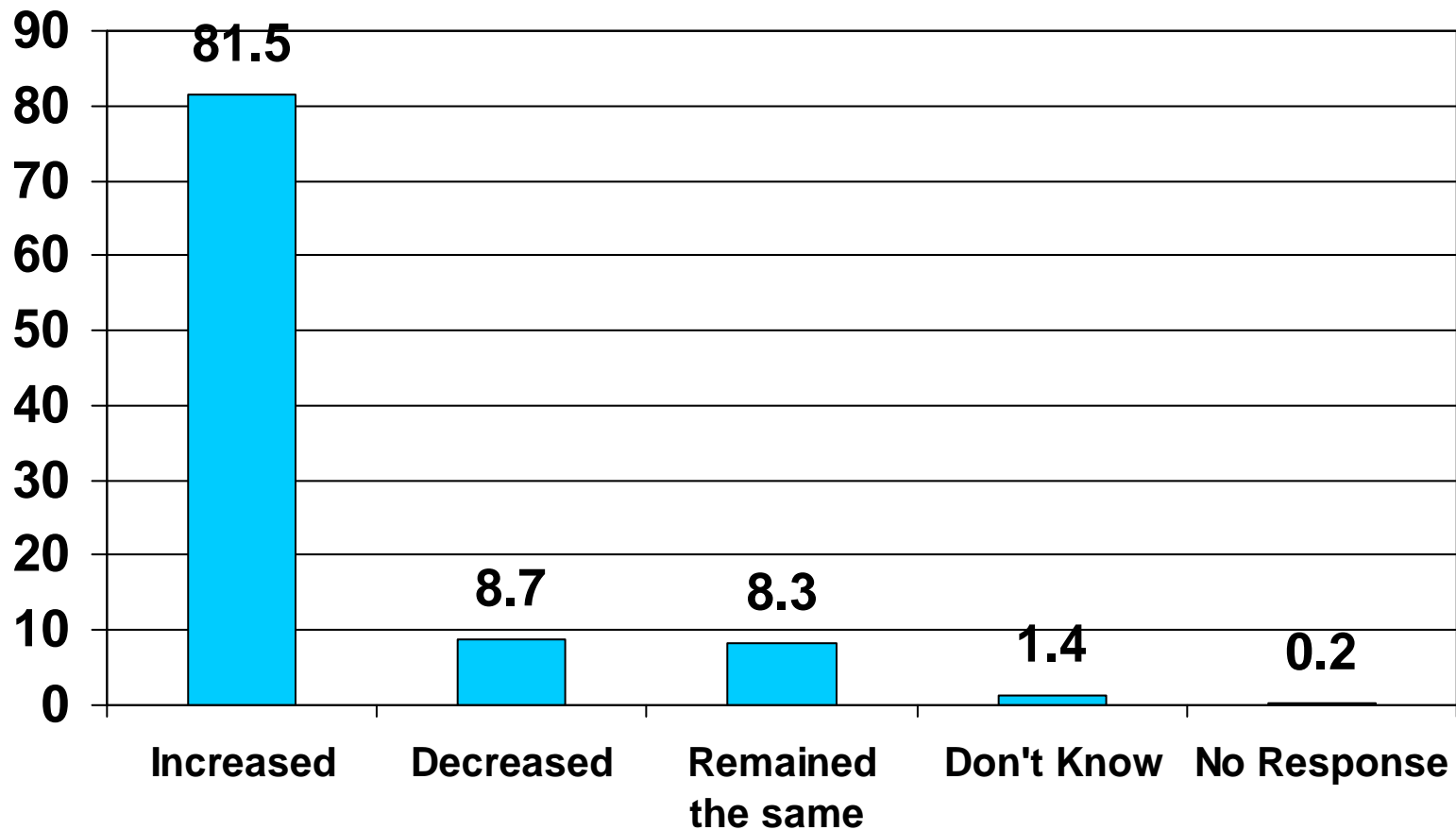
**Overall, would you say that the Kenyan media is free or not free to accurately report news?**



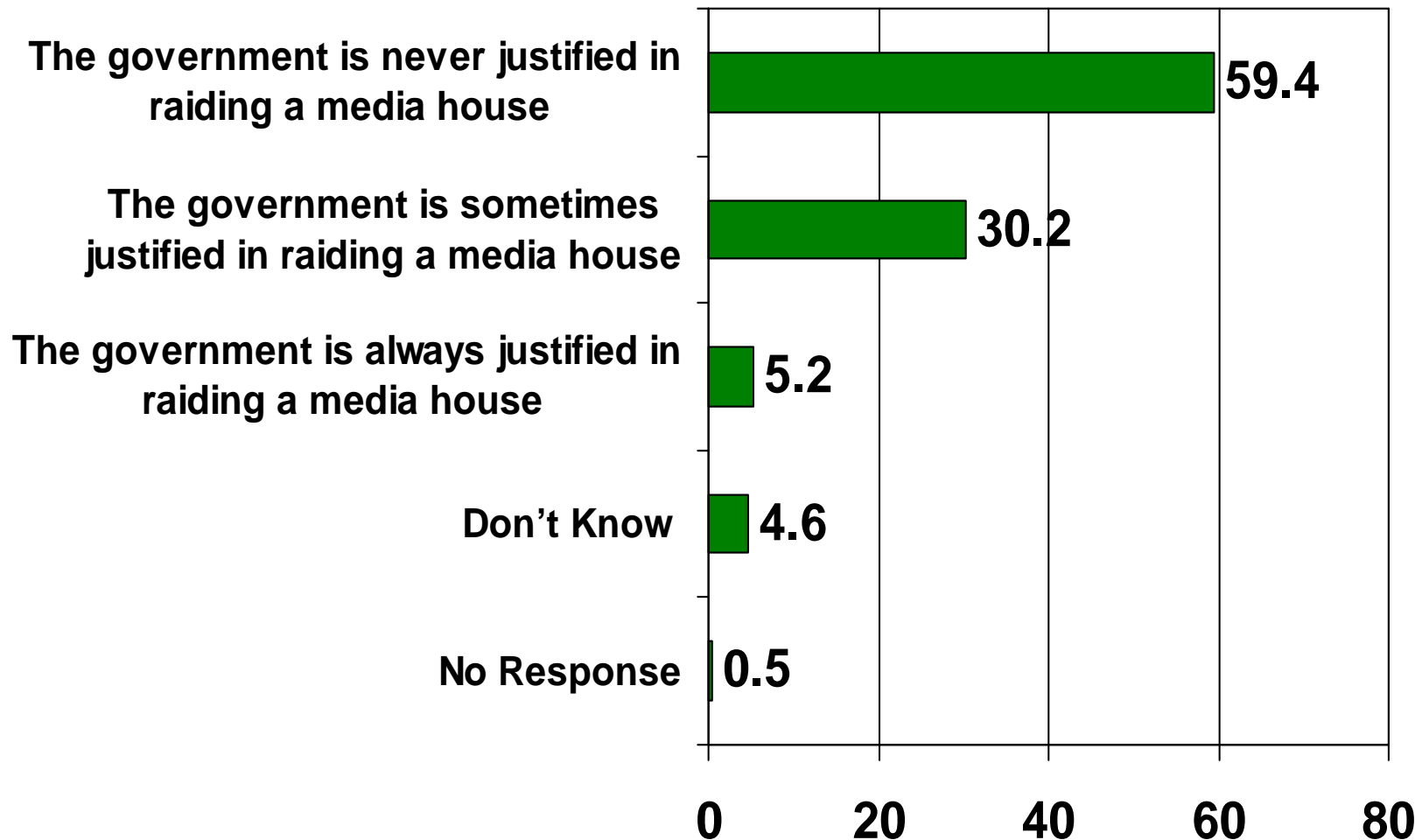
**Overall, would you say that Kenyans are free or not free to openly express their political opinions?**



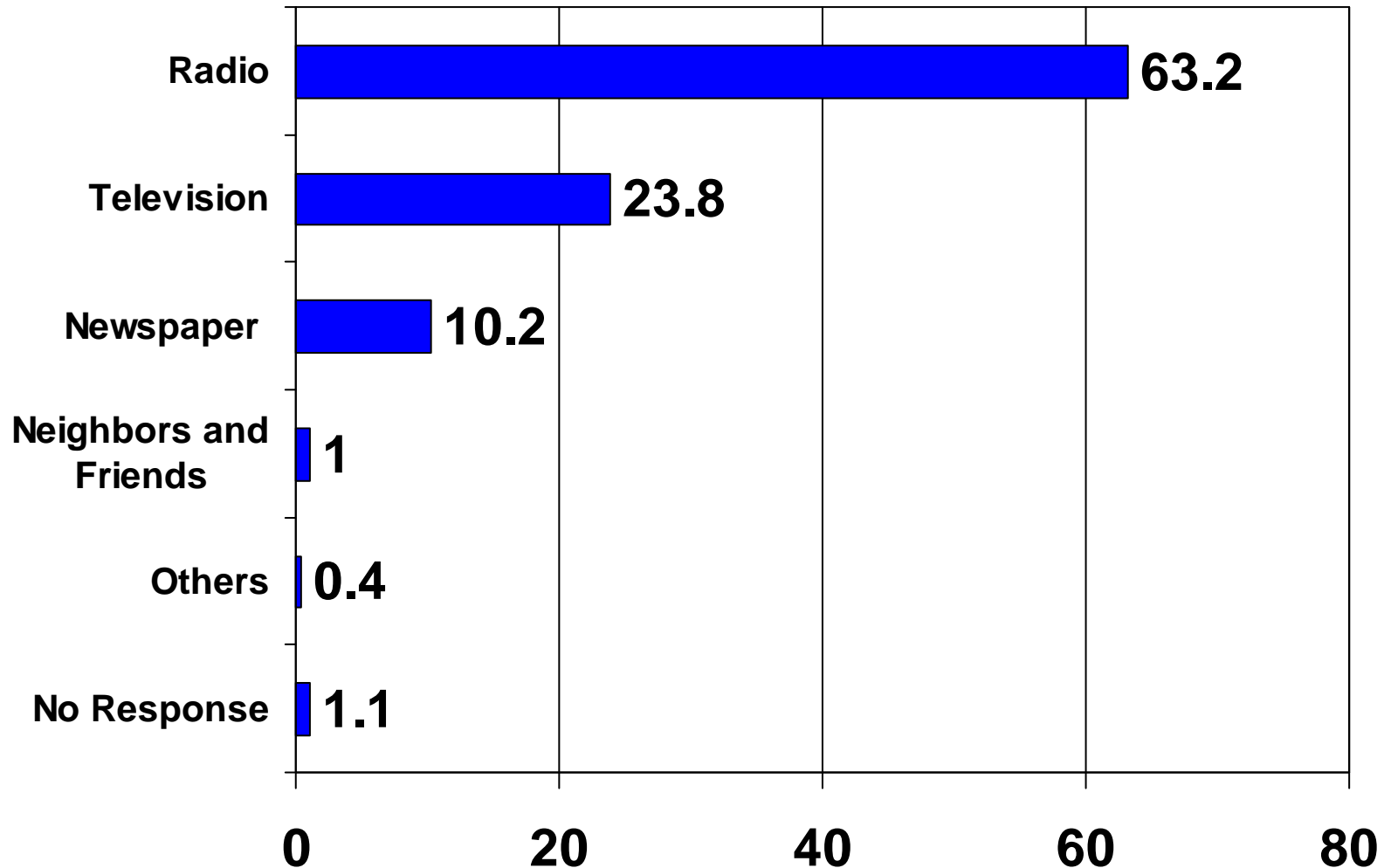
# Would you say that Kenyans' freedom of expression has increased, decreased or remained the same since the 2002 elections ?



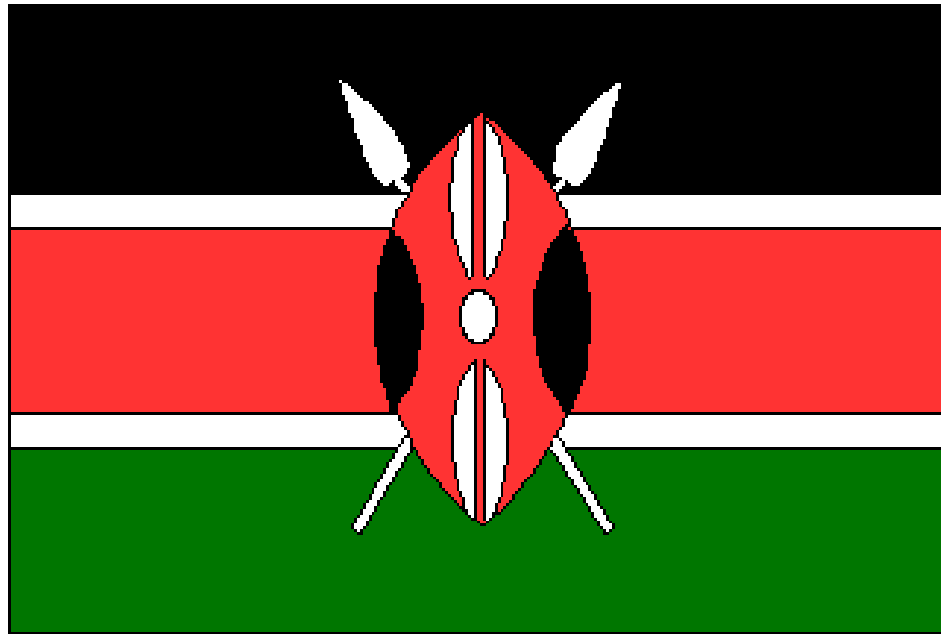
# Which of the following statements do most you agree with?



# Where do you get most of your news?



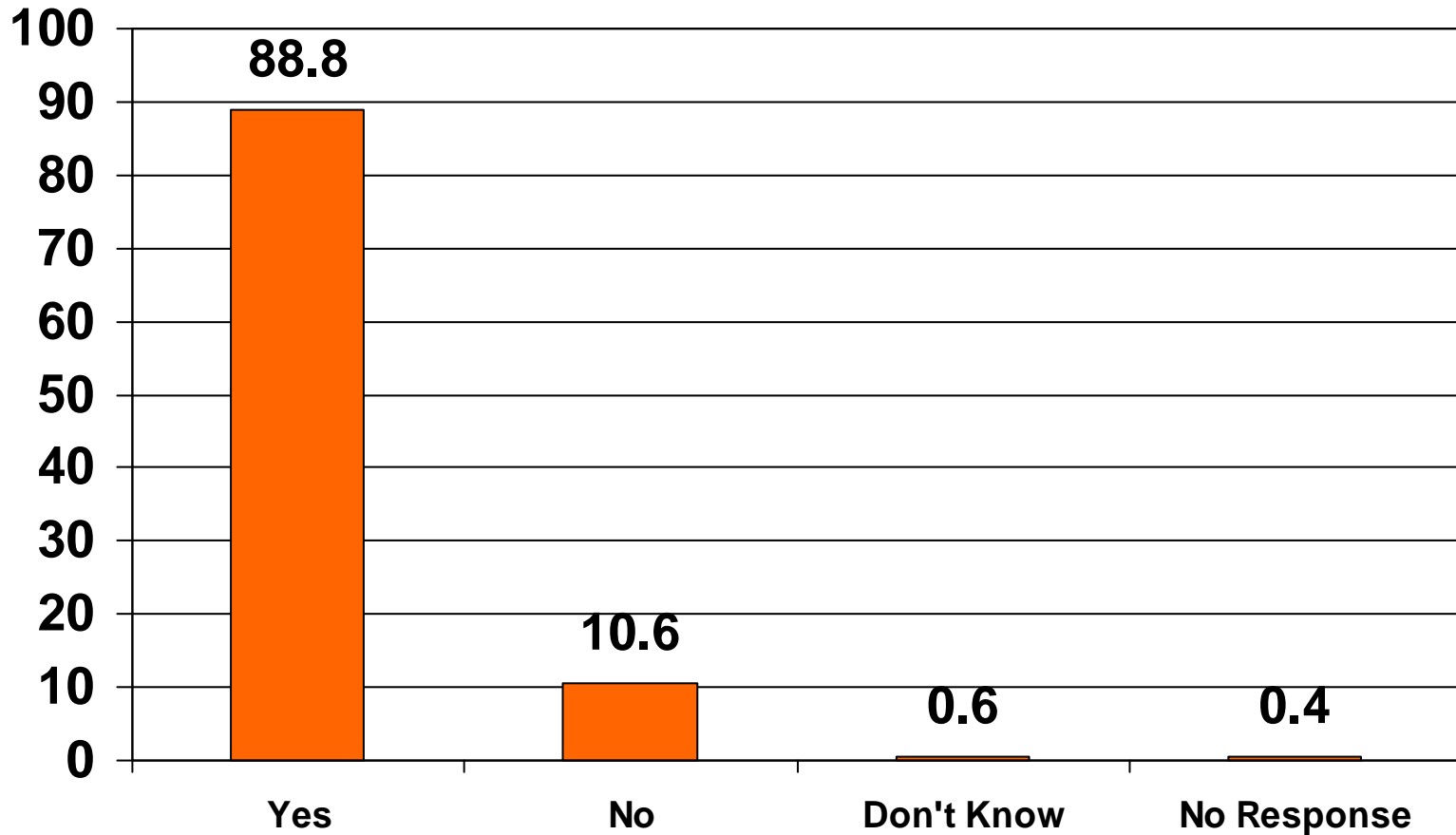




## **VIEWS ON THE CONSTITUENCY DEVELOPMENT FUND (CDF)**

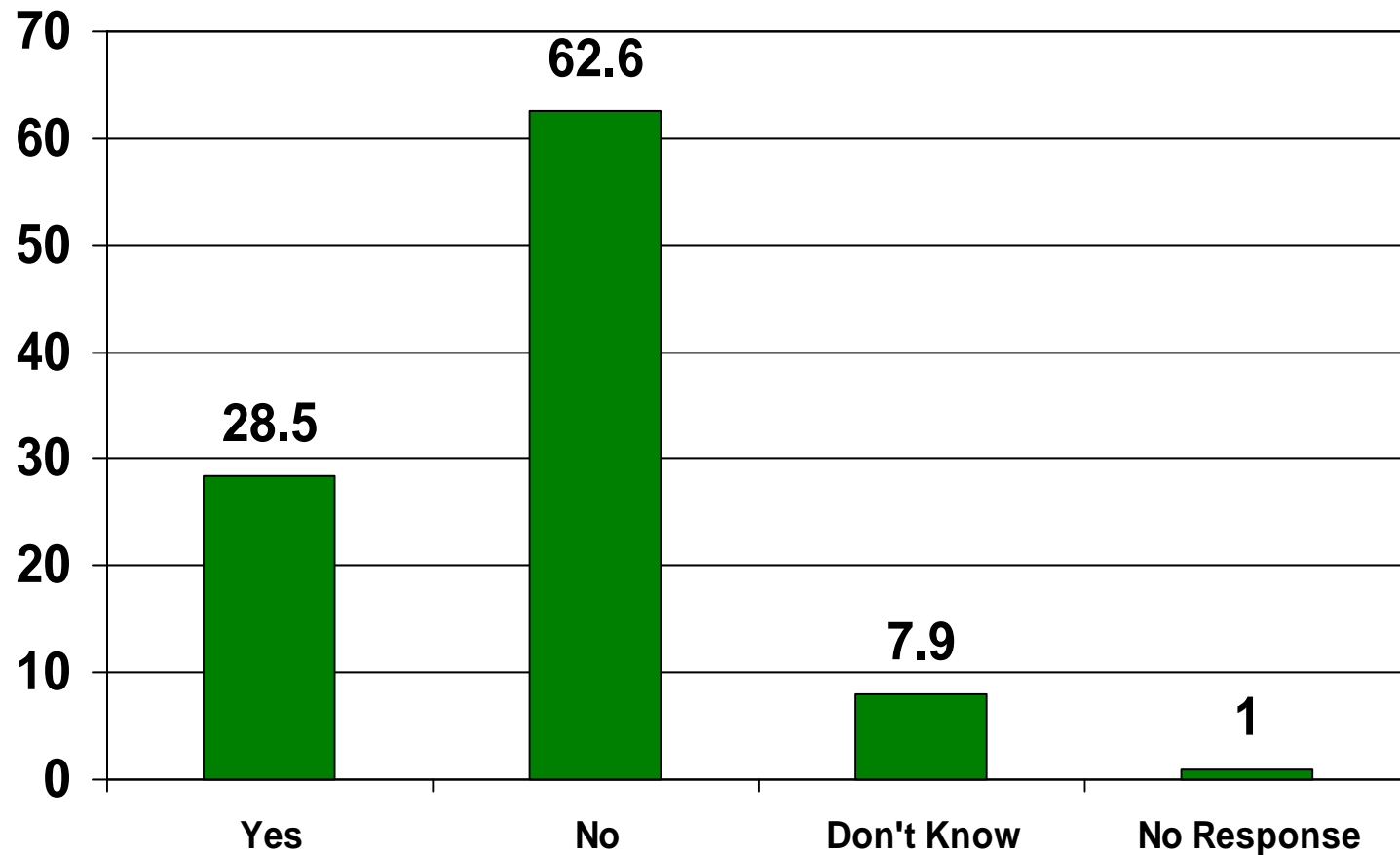
**In 2003, the Kenyan Parliament established the CDF. It seeks to decentralize development planning by devoting a percentage of the national budget to constituency-level development projects, to be directed by local committees. However, critics have pointed out that the member of parliament representing each constituency wields a great deal of influence over the makeup and decisions of the committee, and some members have been accused of using the CDF as a tool for political and financial advancement.**

# Have you ever heard or read about the CDF?



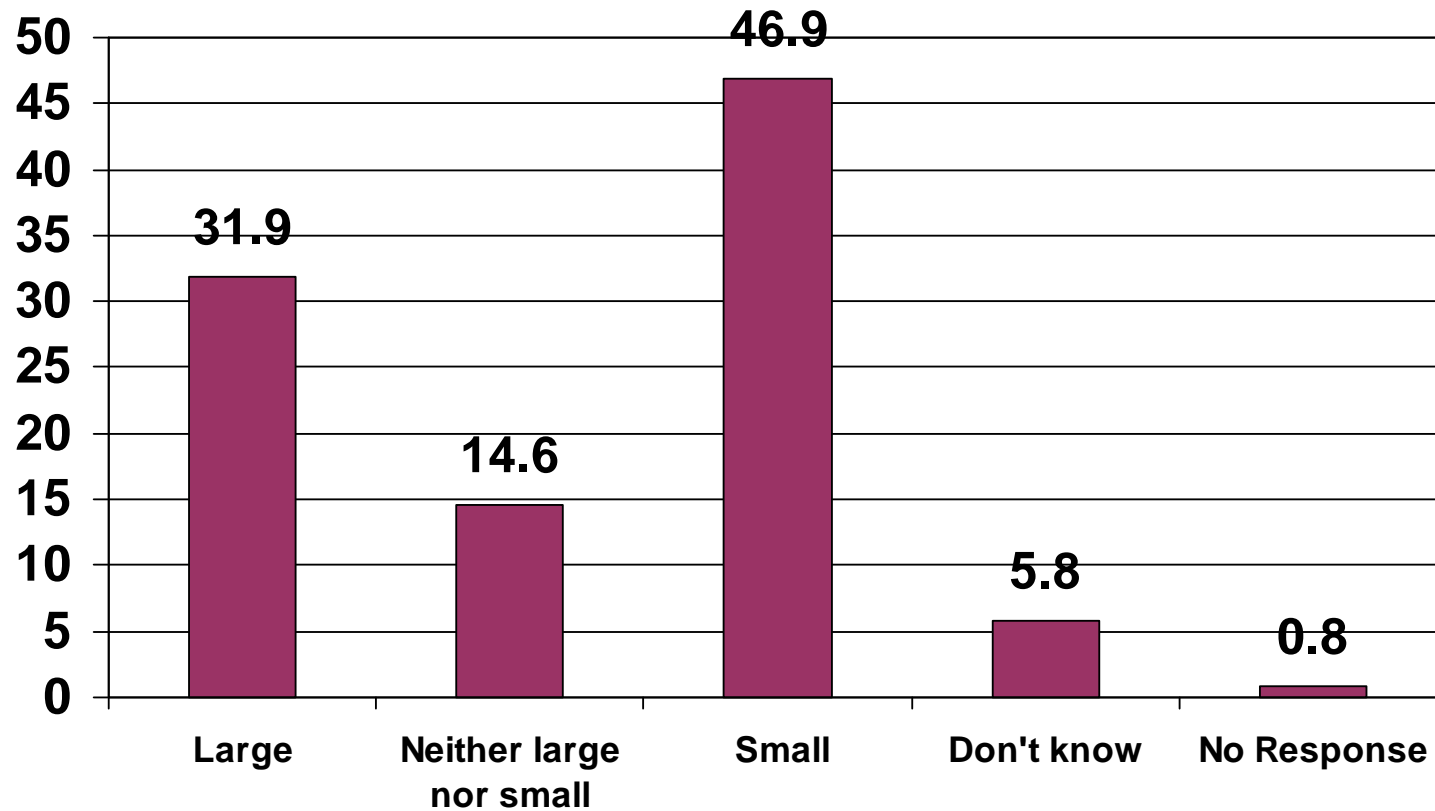
# Would you say that the CDF program in your constituency is managed in an open way?

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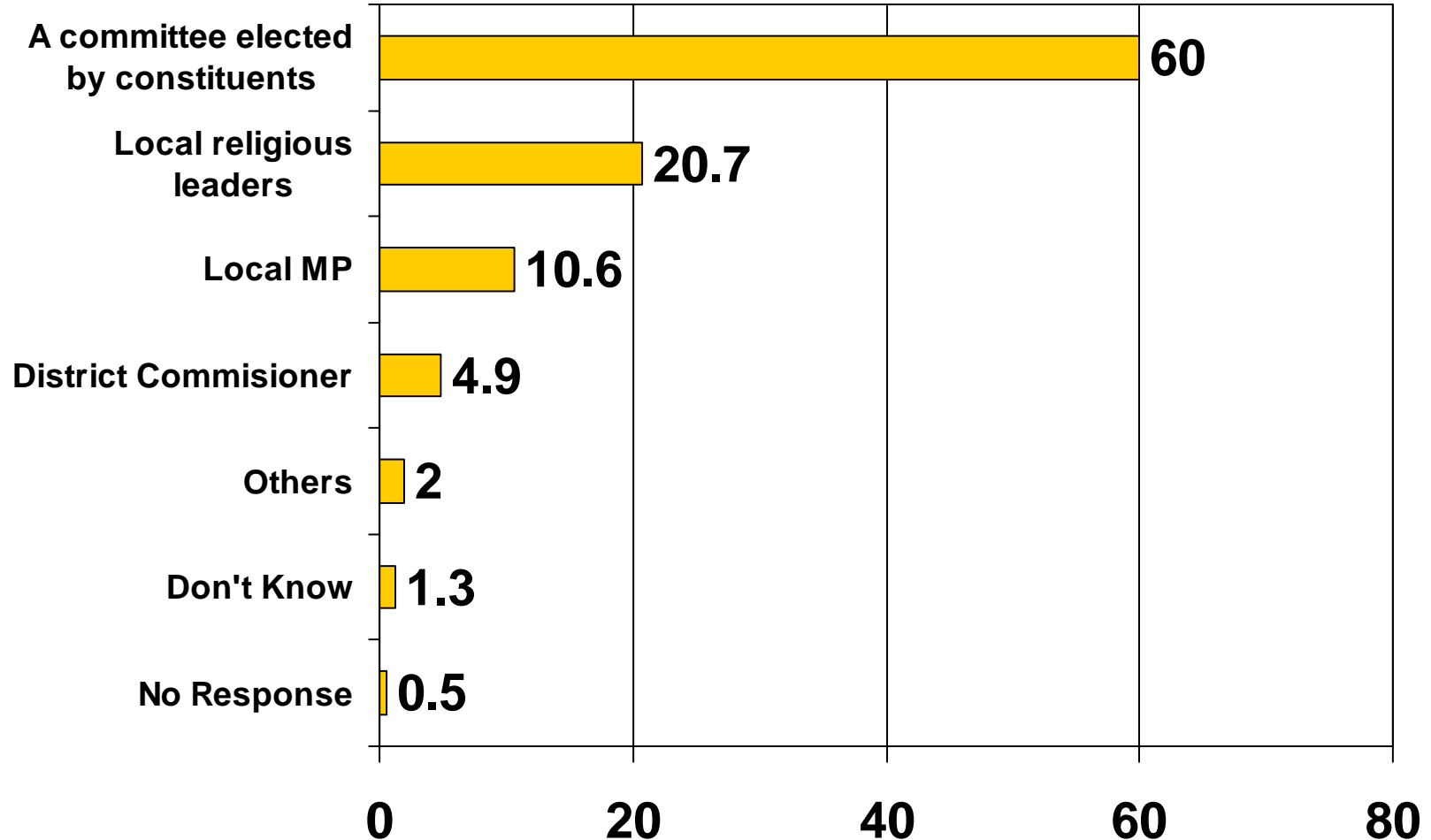
# Has the impact of CDF programme in your constituency been large or small?

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# Which of the following would you most trust to manage the CDF?

N = 2,654



# Should the amount of CDF funds be increased, decreased or remain the same?

N = 2,654

