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Pakistan Public Opinion Survey

March 7-30, 2009



Survey Methodology

- In-person, in-home interview
- National representative sample of adult residents of Pakistan.
- n = 3,500
- Conducted between March 7-30, 2009
- Margin of error \pm 1.66 percent overall
- Data collected by Socio Economic Development Consultants (SEDCO)
- A multi-stage probability sample was used. In the first stage, the sample was stratified into four provinces. In the second stage, the sample was further stratified into districts within each province by rural and urban categories. In the third stage each district was further stratified by Union Councils.
- The sample was distributed at the provincial level, rural and urban, in all four provinces of Pakistan (except for the Federally Administrative Tribal Areas (FATA), Chitral and Kohistan). The sample was then post-weighted to make it proportionate to national representation by province.
- The eligibility criteria is age, which for this survey is 18 years and above.
- The response rate was just over 90 percent.
- The interview teams were comprised of both of males and females; the female respondents were interviewed by female interviewers and male respondents by male interviewers.
- Kish method was used to select respondents 18 years and older within the randomly selected household. The right hand method was used to select every third household in localities selected through area probability sample.
- The information in this report has been compiled in accordance with international standards for market and social research methodologies. Figures in charts and tables may not sum to 100 percent due to rounding error.



Survey Demographics

Male 52% Female 48%

Urban 33% Rural 68%

Age

Up to 25 30%

26-35 33%

36-50 29%

50+ 8%

Education

Illiterate 27%

Primary 14%

Middle 12%

Matric 20%

Intermediate 14%

Graduate 10%

MA/Prof'l 3%

Monthly Household Income

Up to Rs 3,000 7%

Rs 3,001 – 10,000 32%

Rs 10,001 – 15,000 27%

Rs 15,001 – 25,000 20%

More than Rs 25,000 5%

Language

Urdu 13%

Punjabi 46%

Pashto 12%

Sindhi 14%

Seraiki 8%

Hindko 4%

Balochi 2%



Acronyms Legend

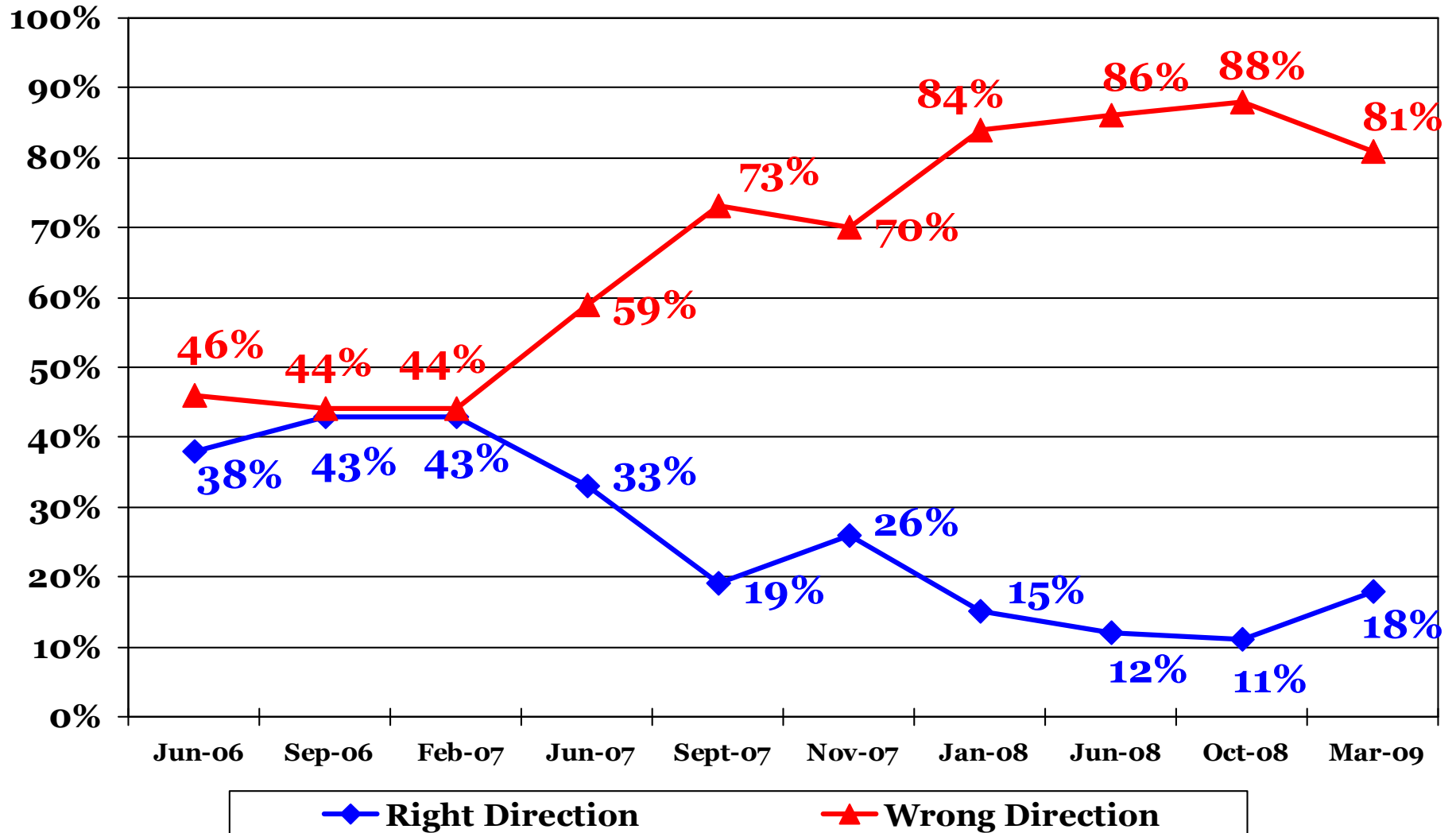
- Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz (PML-N)
- Pakistan Muslim League-Quaid (PML-Q)
- Awami National Party (ANP)
- Muttahida Quami Movemnet (MQM)
- Pakistan Tahreek-e-Insaf (PTI)
- Muttahida Majlis-e-Amal (MMA)
- Pakistan Peoples Party (PPP)
- Pakistan Peoples Party-Parliamentarians (PPPP). This is the parliamentary bloc allied with PPP.
- Pakistan Peoples Party-Shaheed Bhutto (PPP-SB)
- Pakhtunkhwa Milli Awami Party (PKMAP)
- Jamaat-e-Islami (JI)
- Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam Faction (JUI-F)
- Northwest Frontier Province (NWFP)
- Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA)
- Pakhtun-khwa Milli Awami Party (PKMAP)



INDICATORS

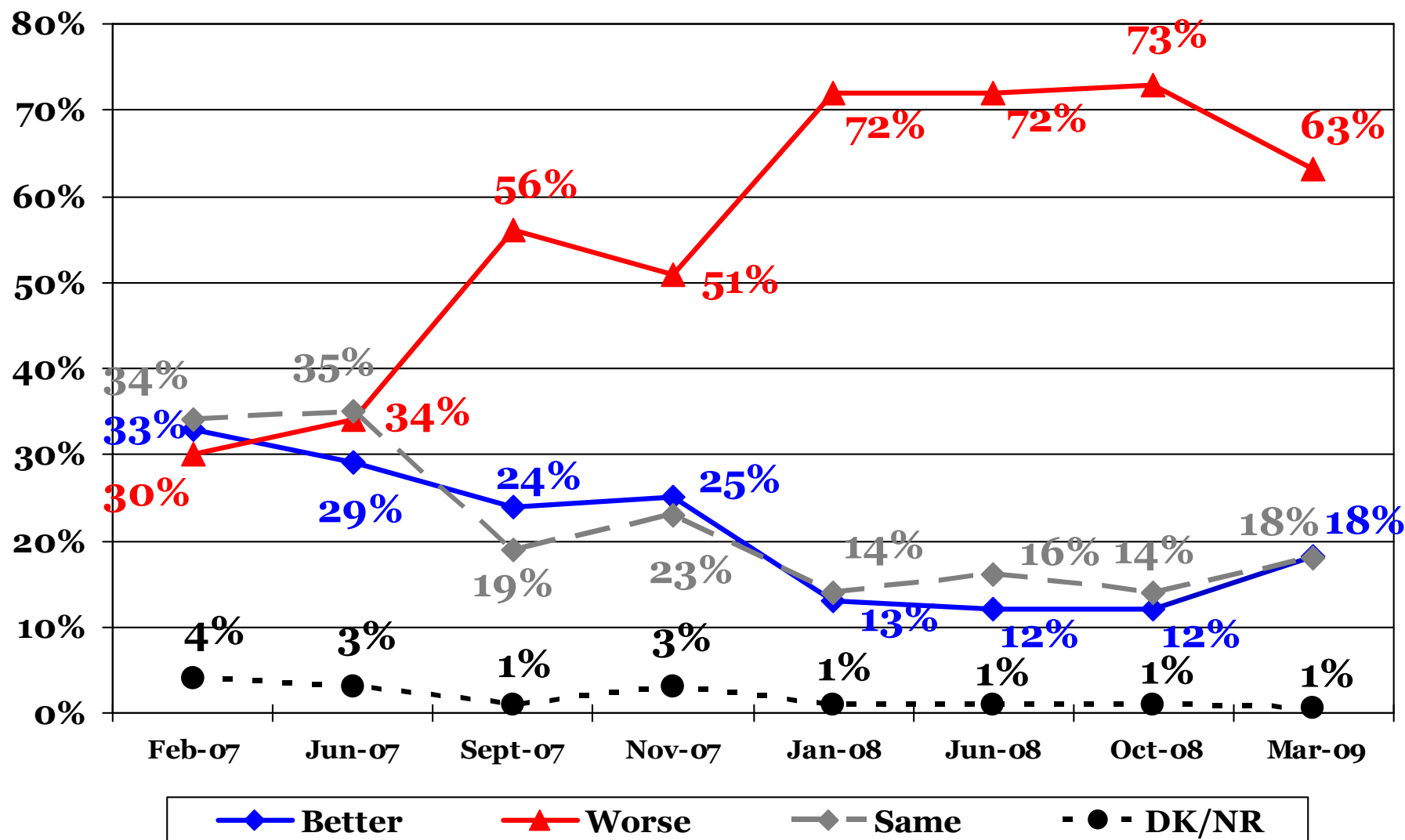


Do you think that Pakistan is heading in the right direction or in the wrong direction?



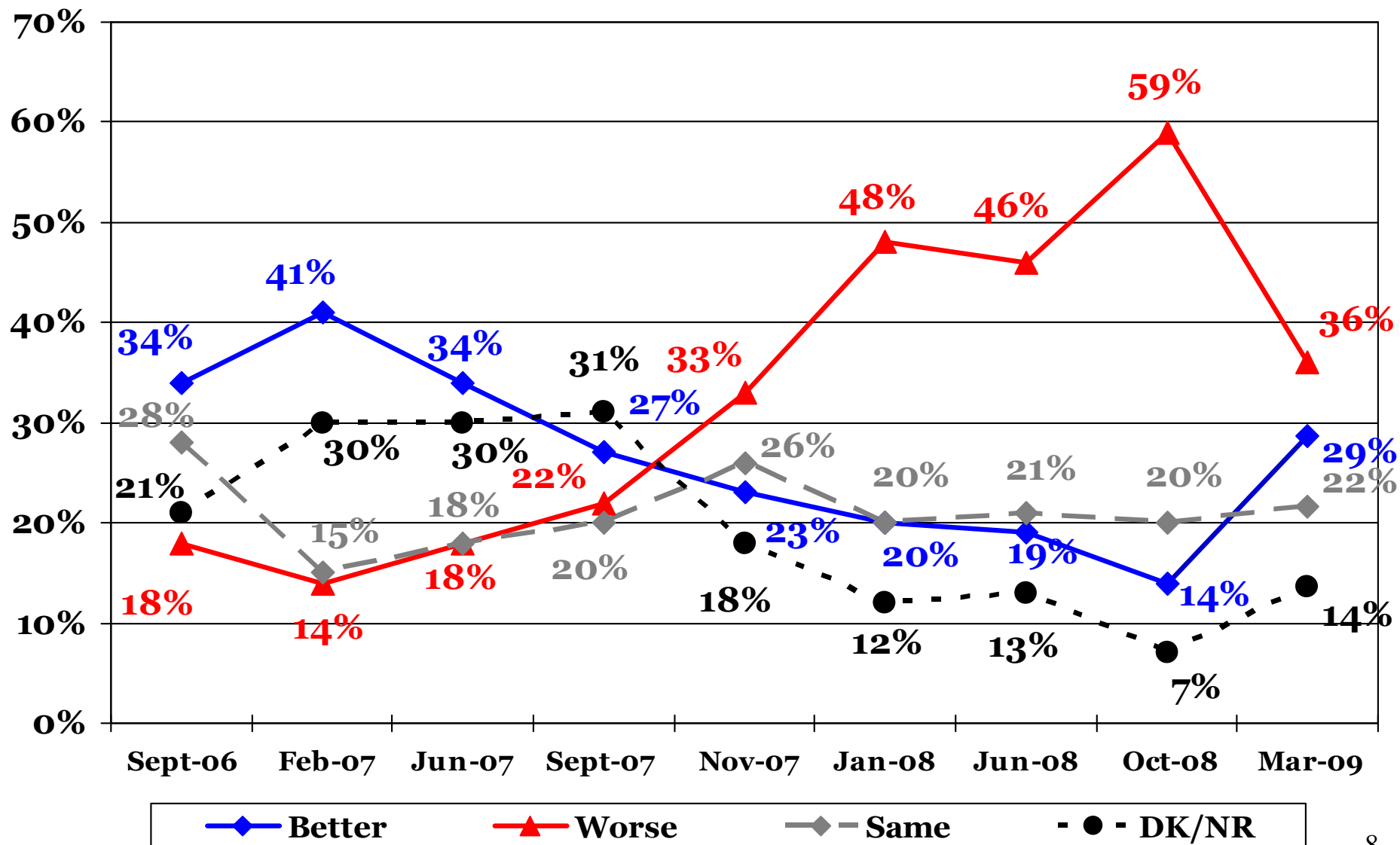


In the past year, has your personal economic situation improved, worsened or stayed the same?





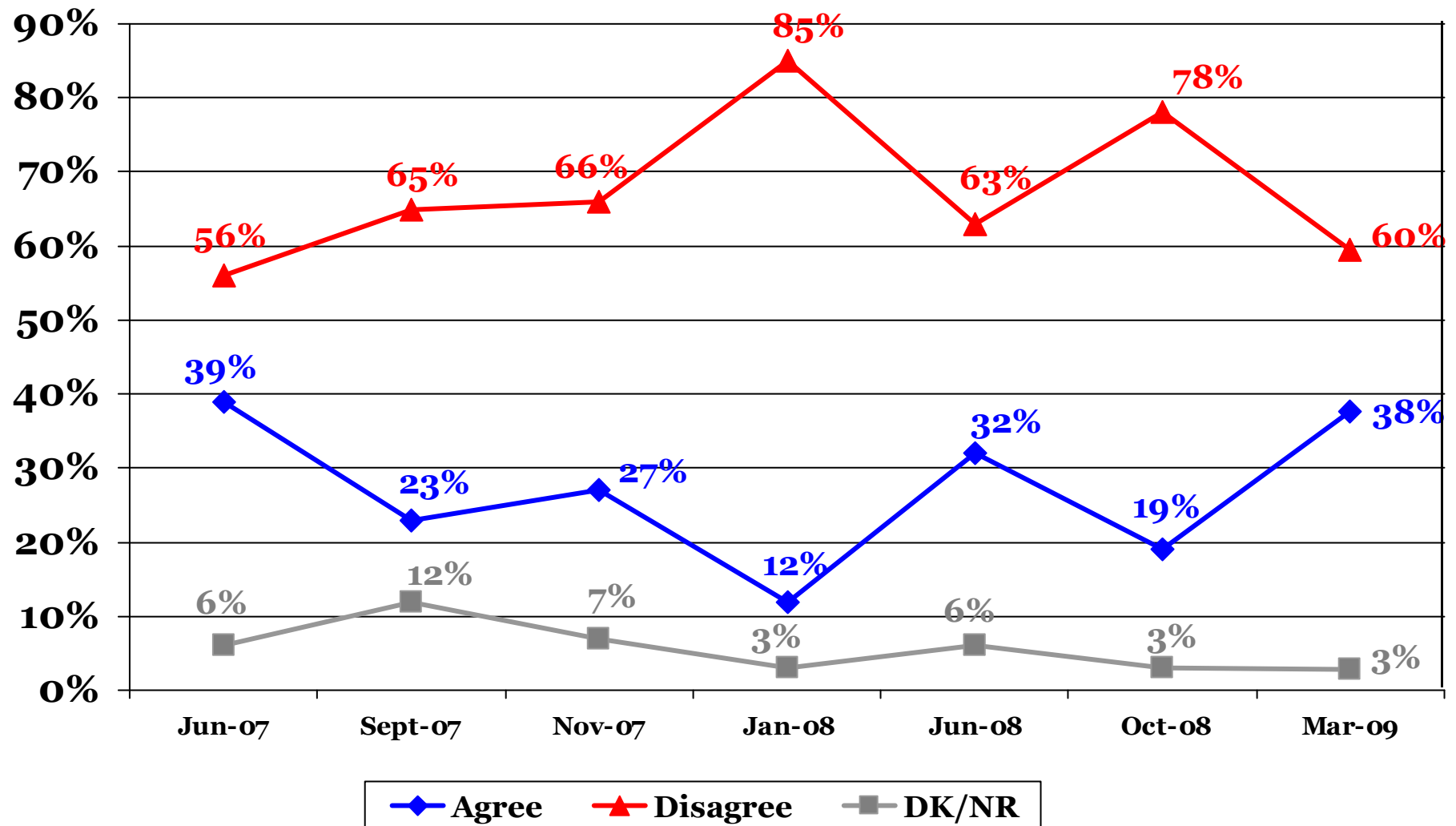
Thinking about next year, do you expect the economic situation in Pakistan to get better, get worse or stay the same?





Agree or Disagree?

I feel more secure this year than I did last year

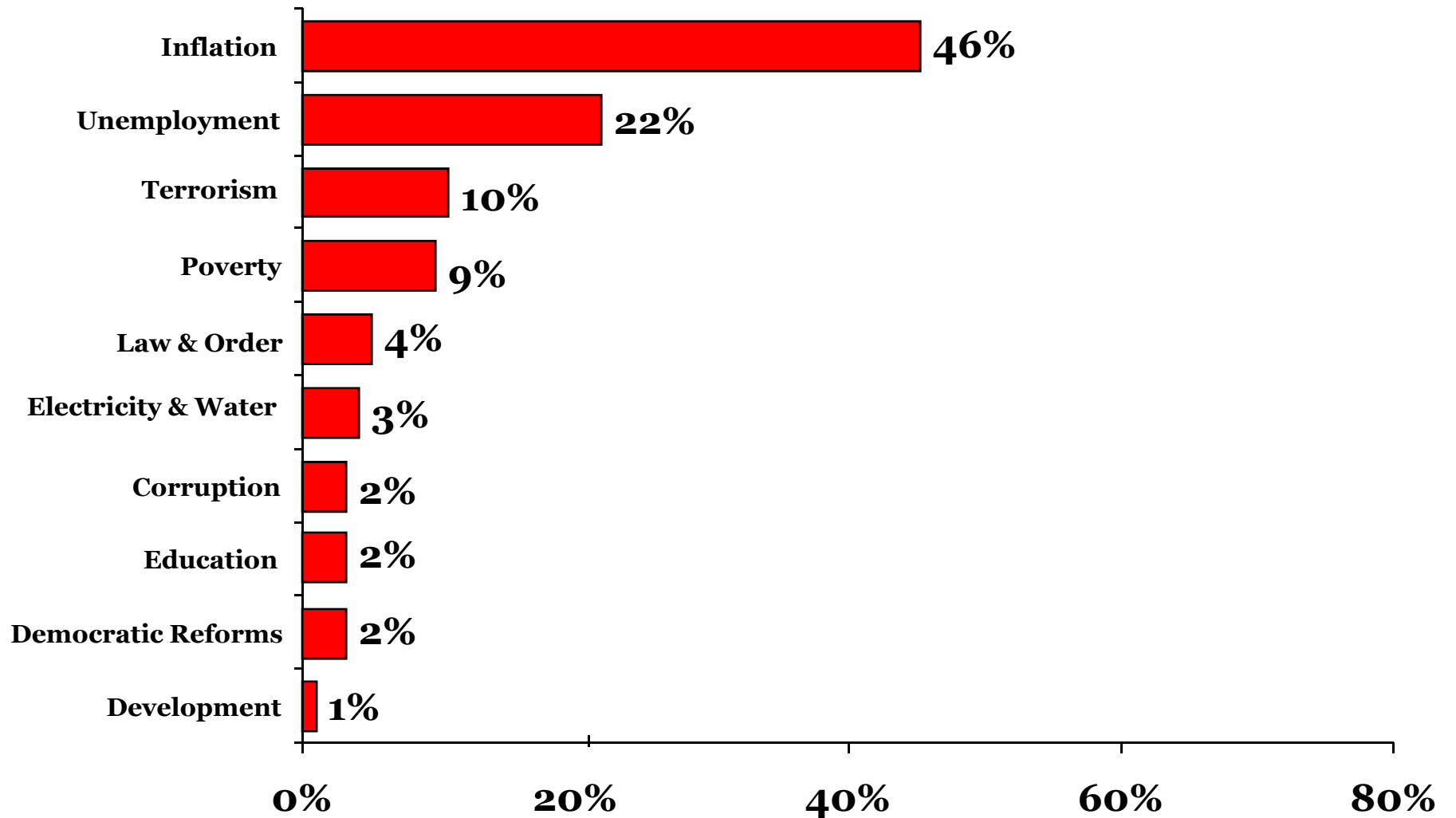




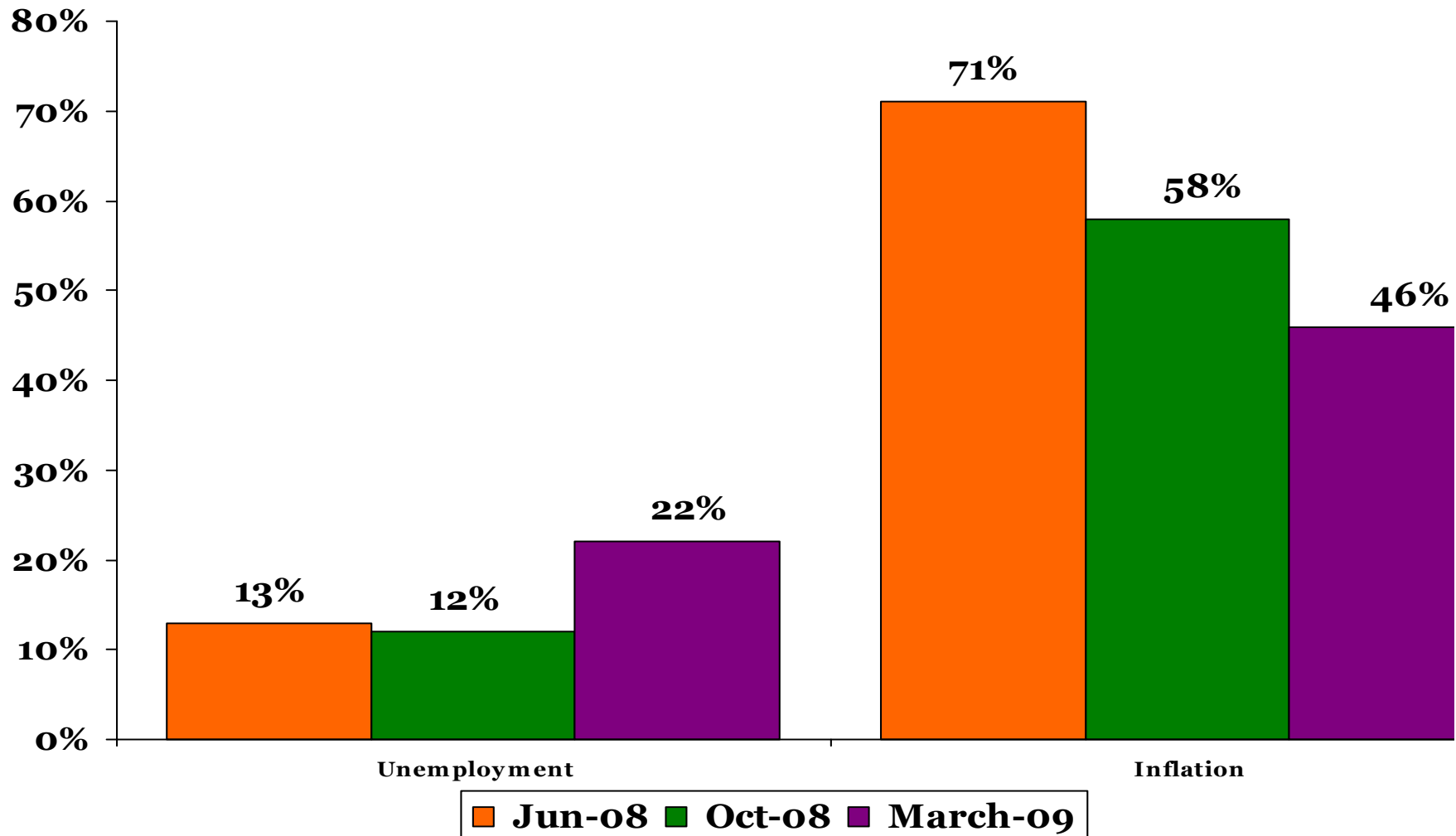
KEY ISSUES



What is the most important issue facing Pakistan?



What is the most important issue facing Pakistan? (Comparison)

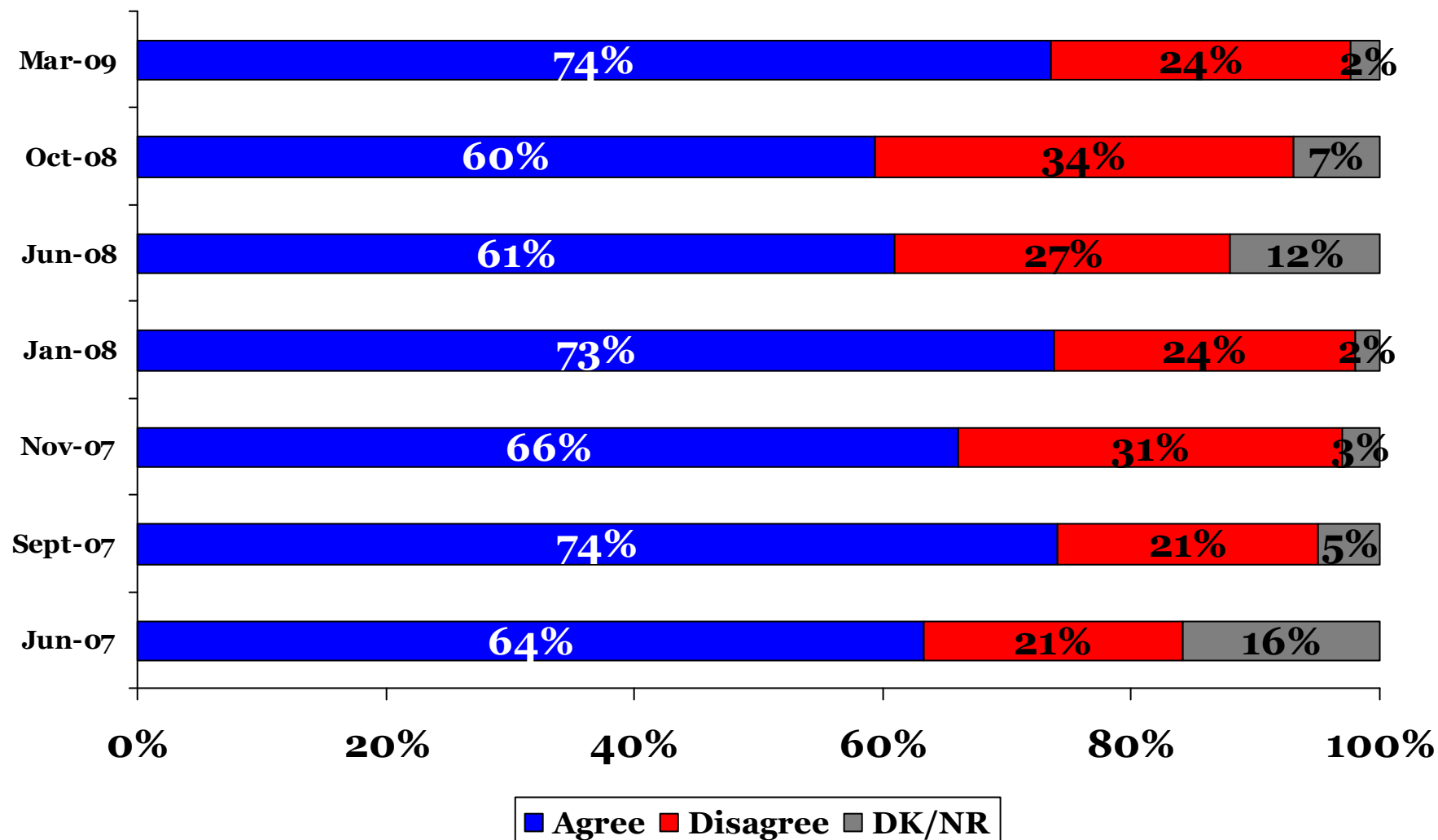




TERRORISM

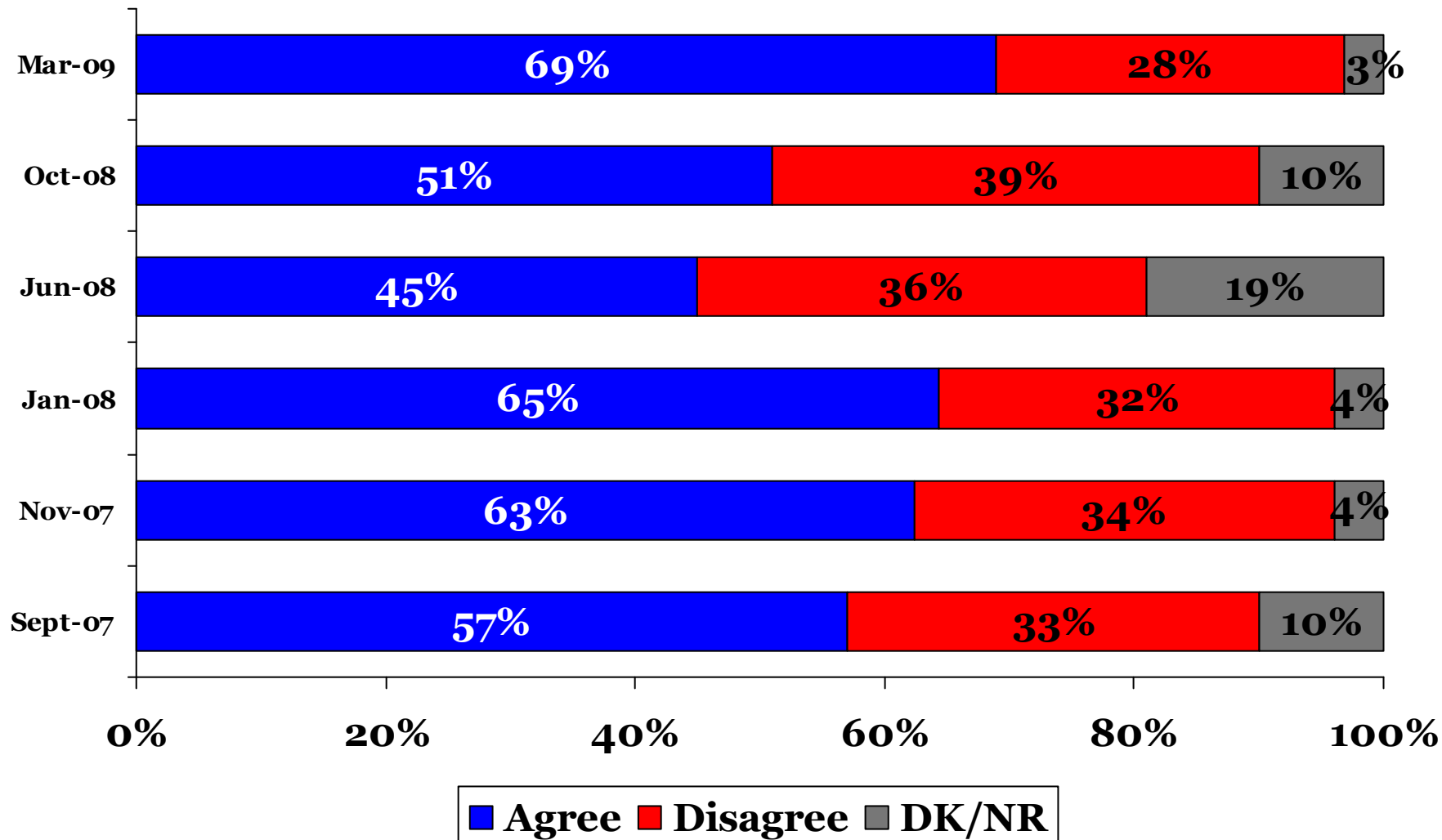


Agree or Disagree? Religious extremism is a serious problem in Pakistan.



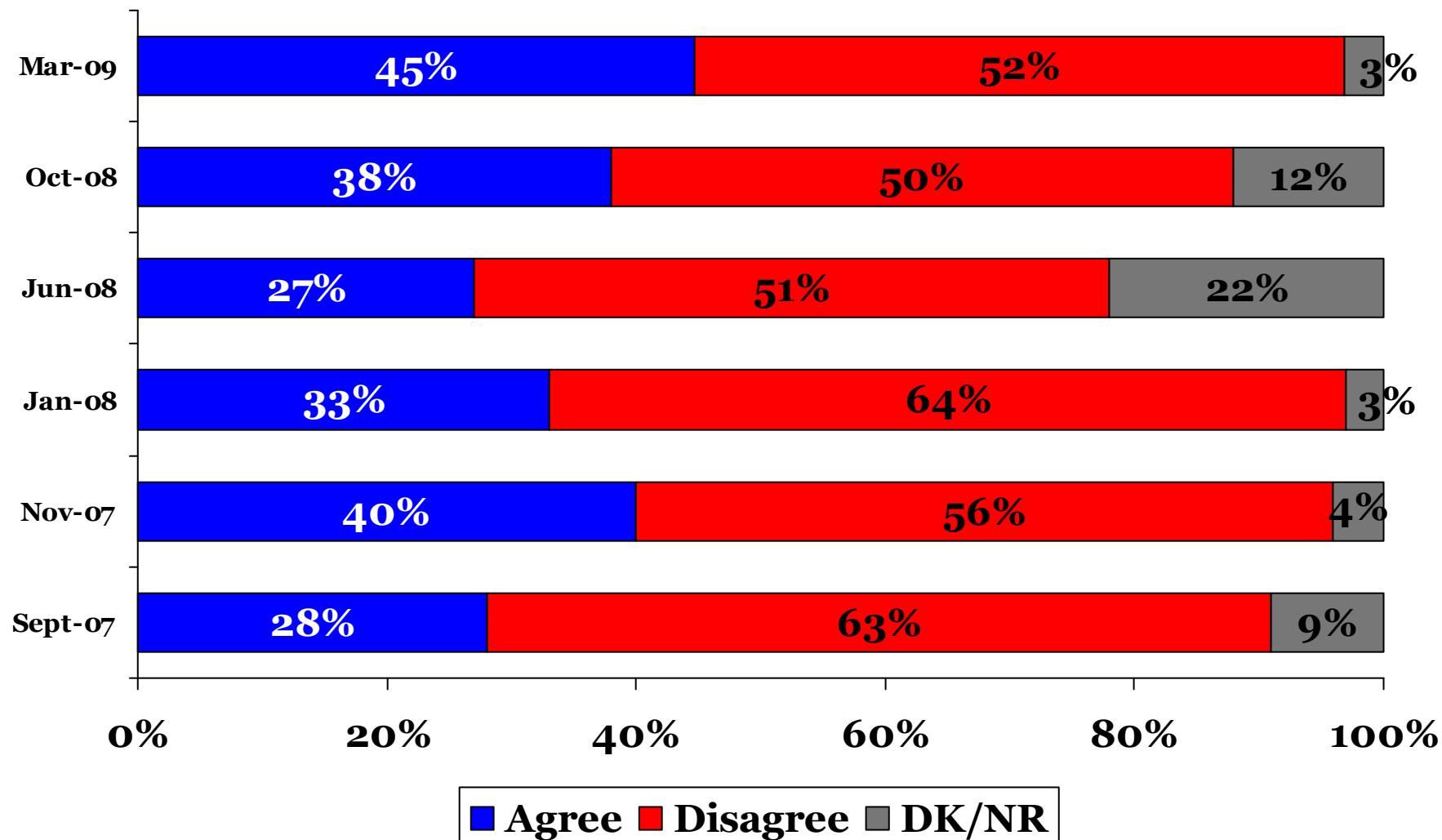


Agree or Disagree? The Taliban and Al-Qaeda operating in Pakistan is a serious problem.



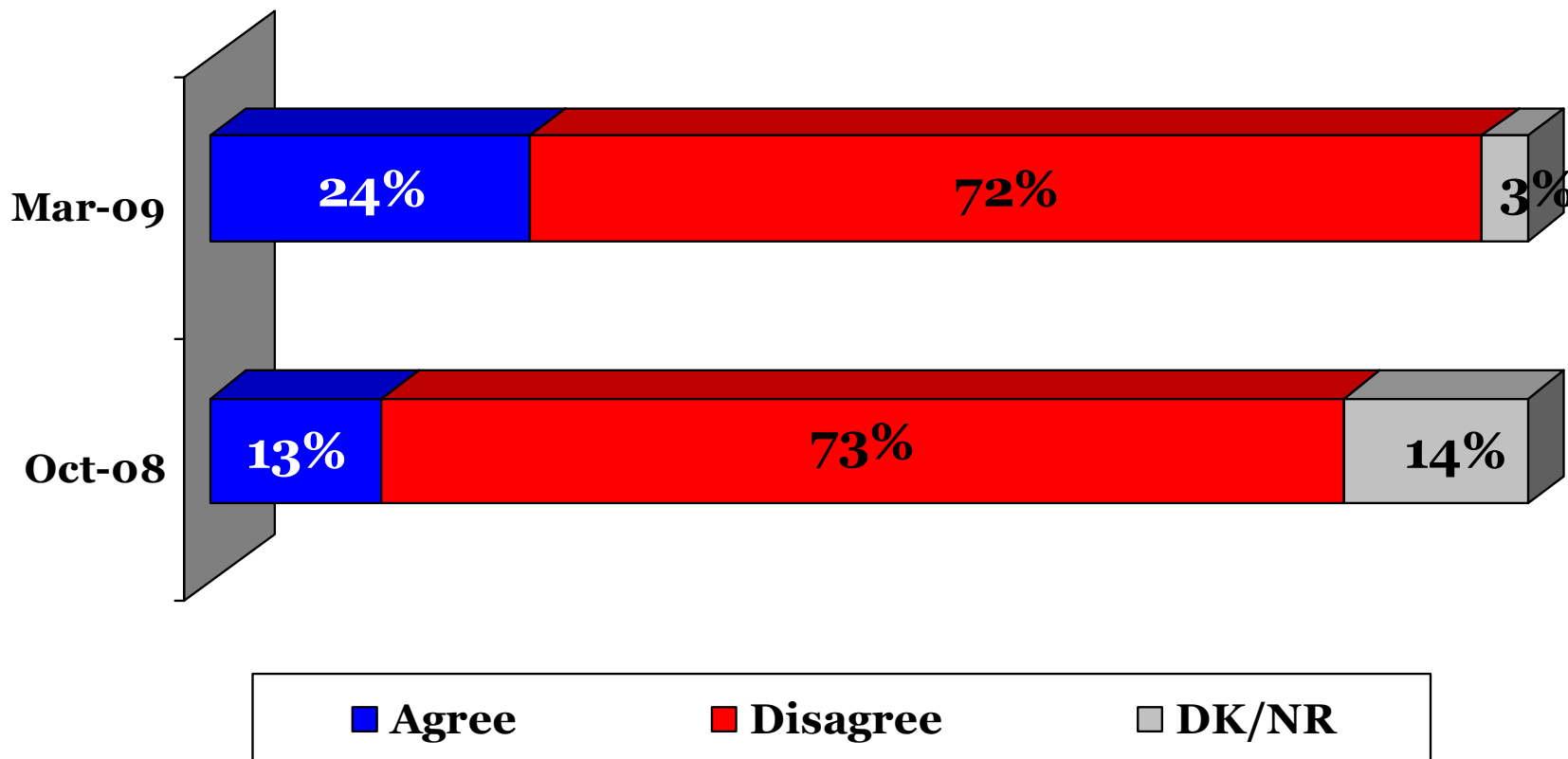


Agree or Disagree? I support the Army fighting the extremists in NWFP and FATA.



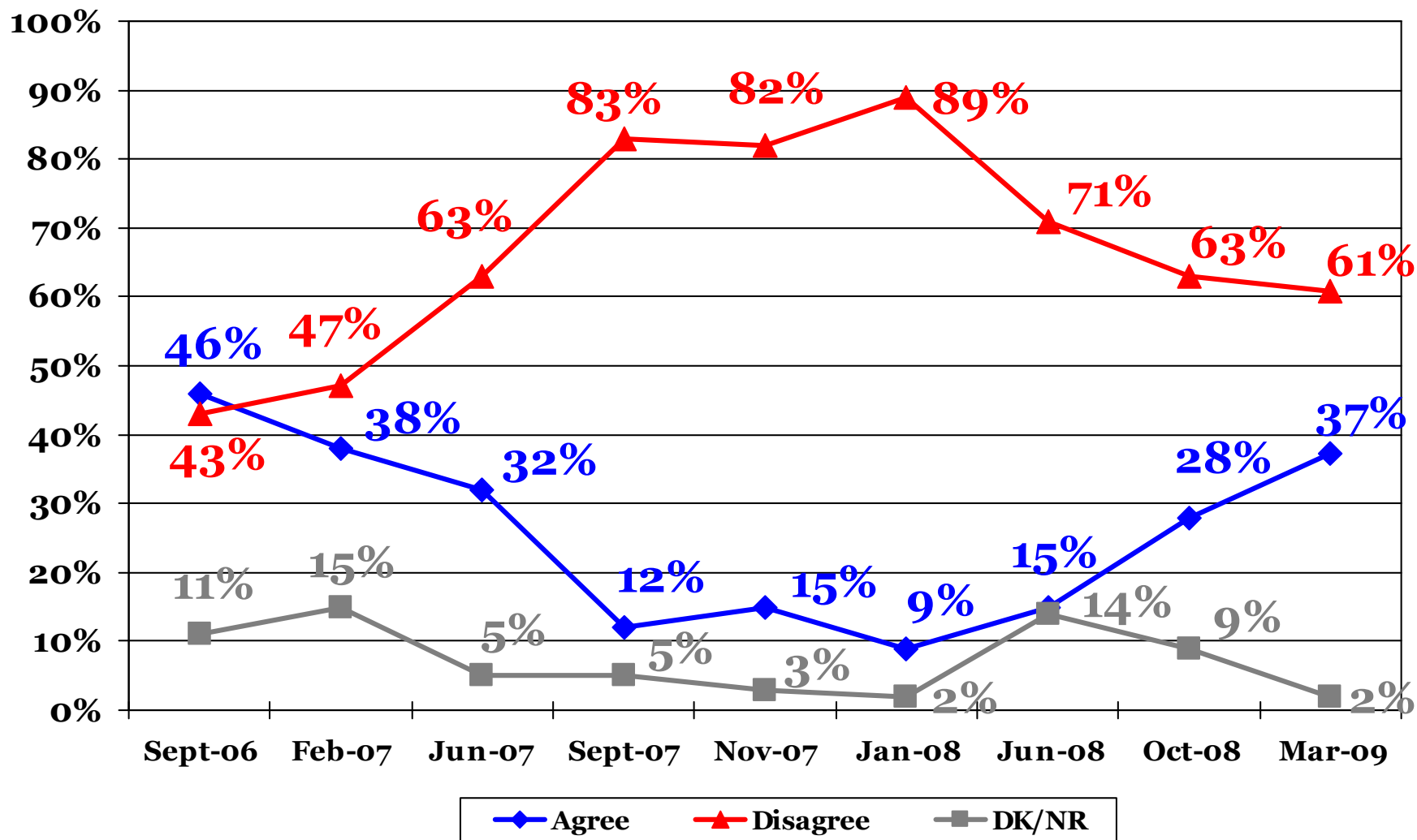


Agree or Disagree? I support the U.S. making military incursions in the tribal areas



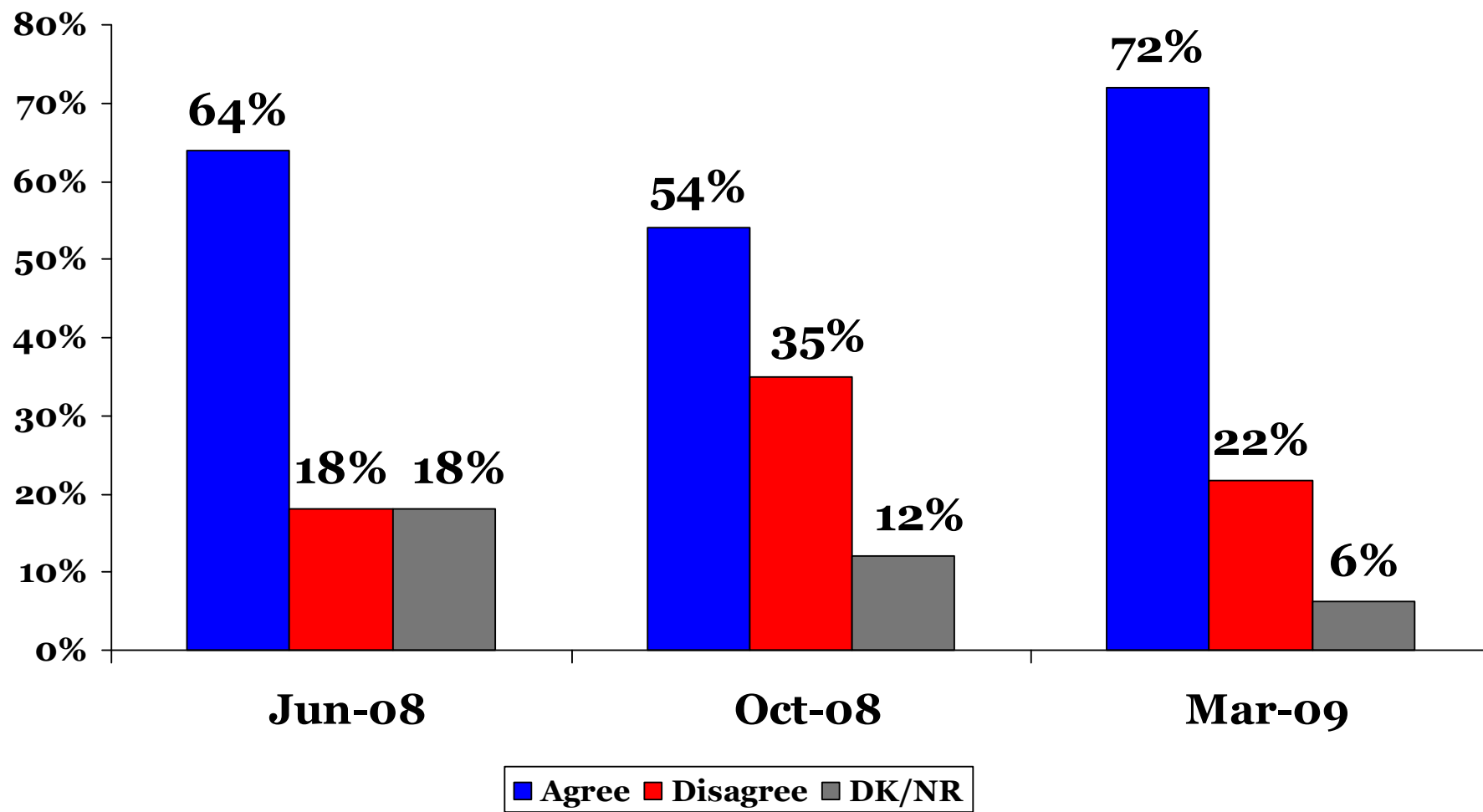


Do you think that Pakistan should cooperate with the United States on its war against terror?



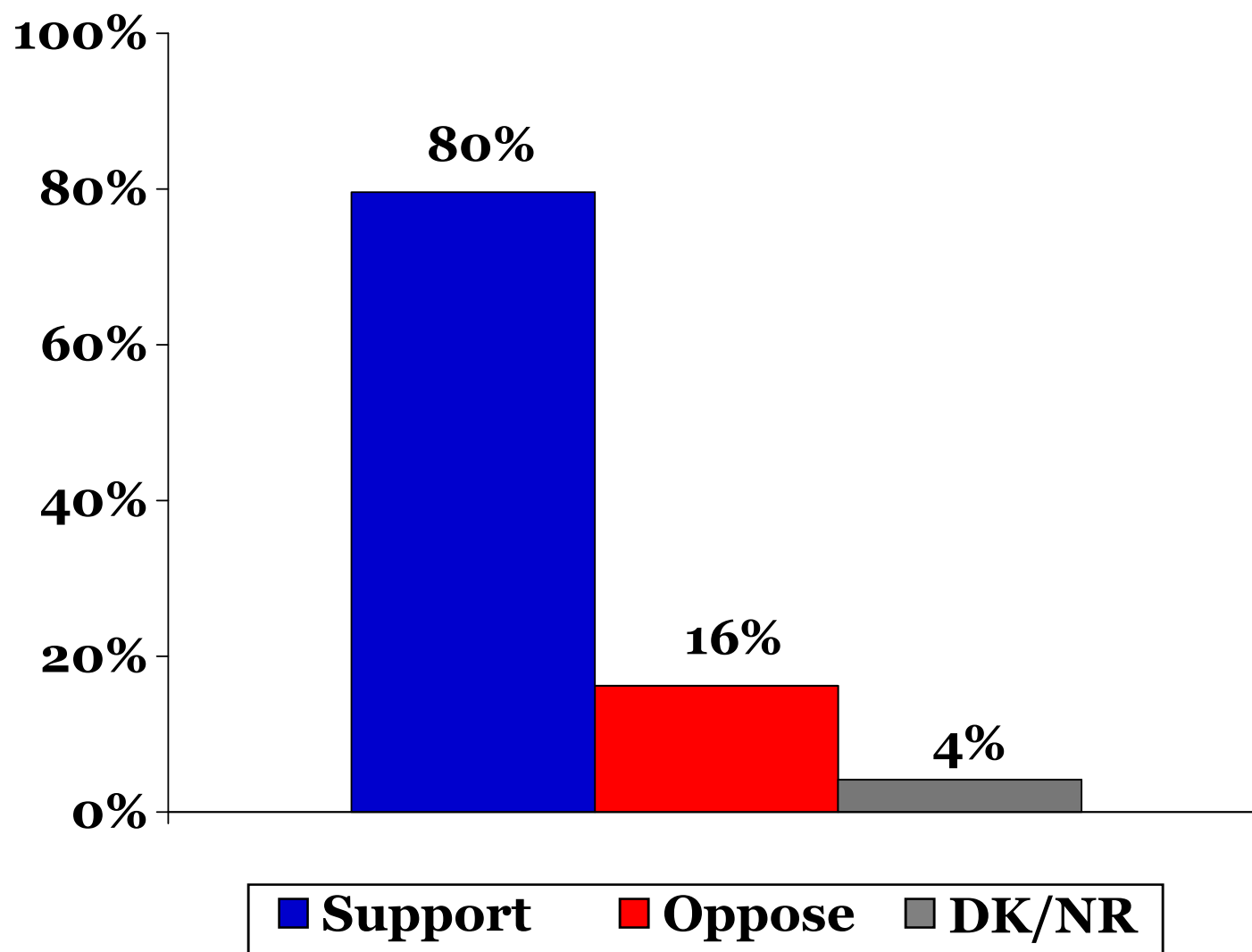


Agree or Disagree? I support a peace deal with the extremists



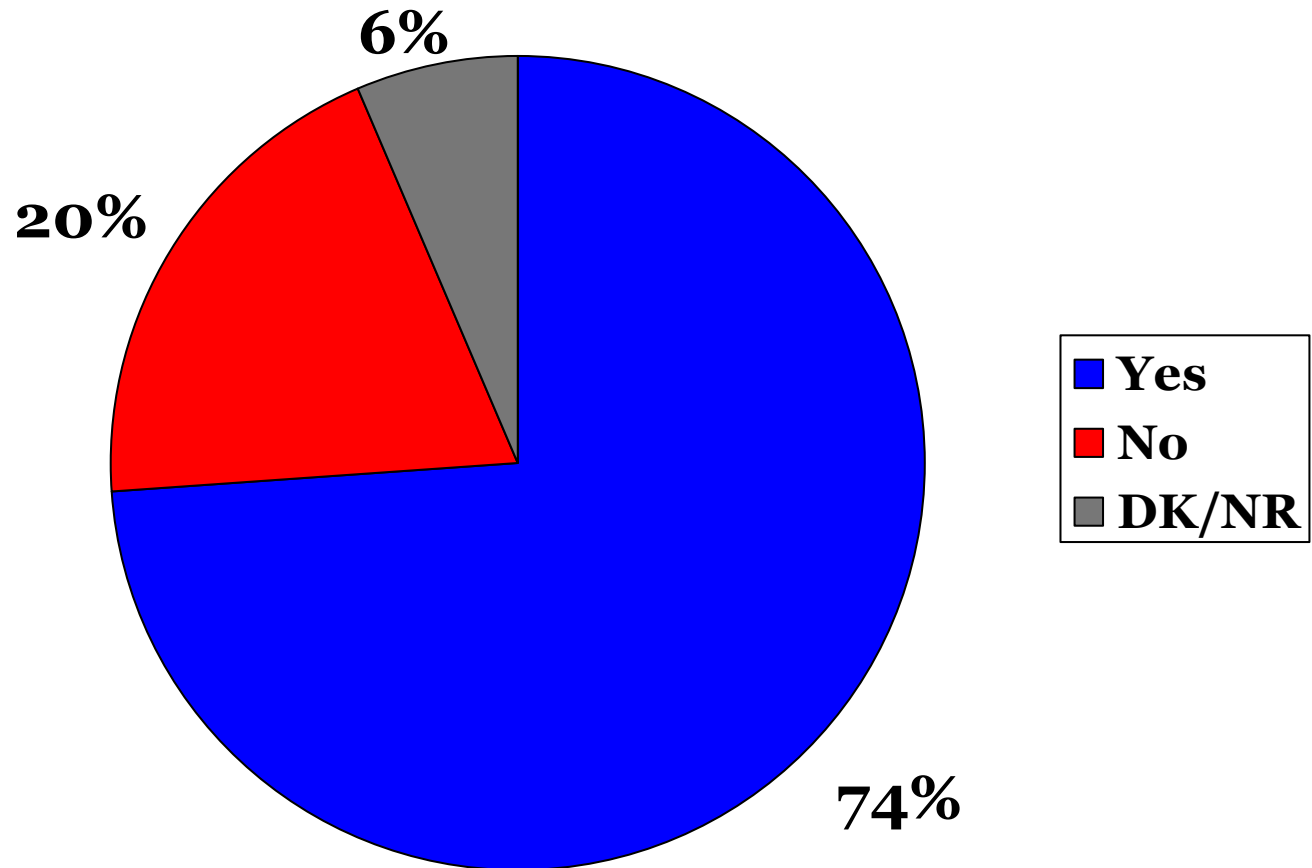


It was recently announced that as a result of a peace deal between the government and the Taliban, Sharia Law will be enforced in Swat. Do you support or oppose the decision?

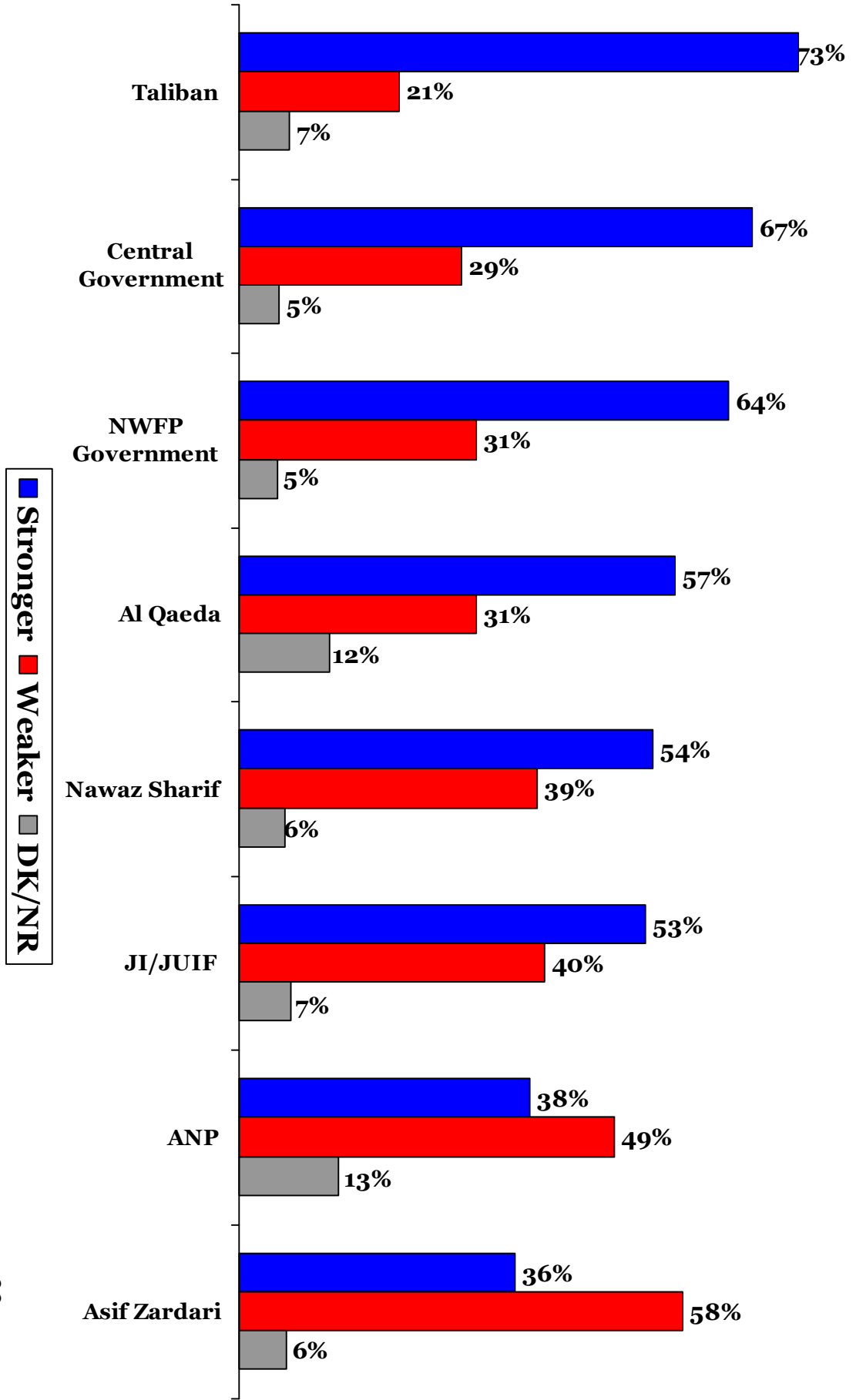




Do you think that the deal will bring peace to the region?

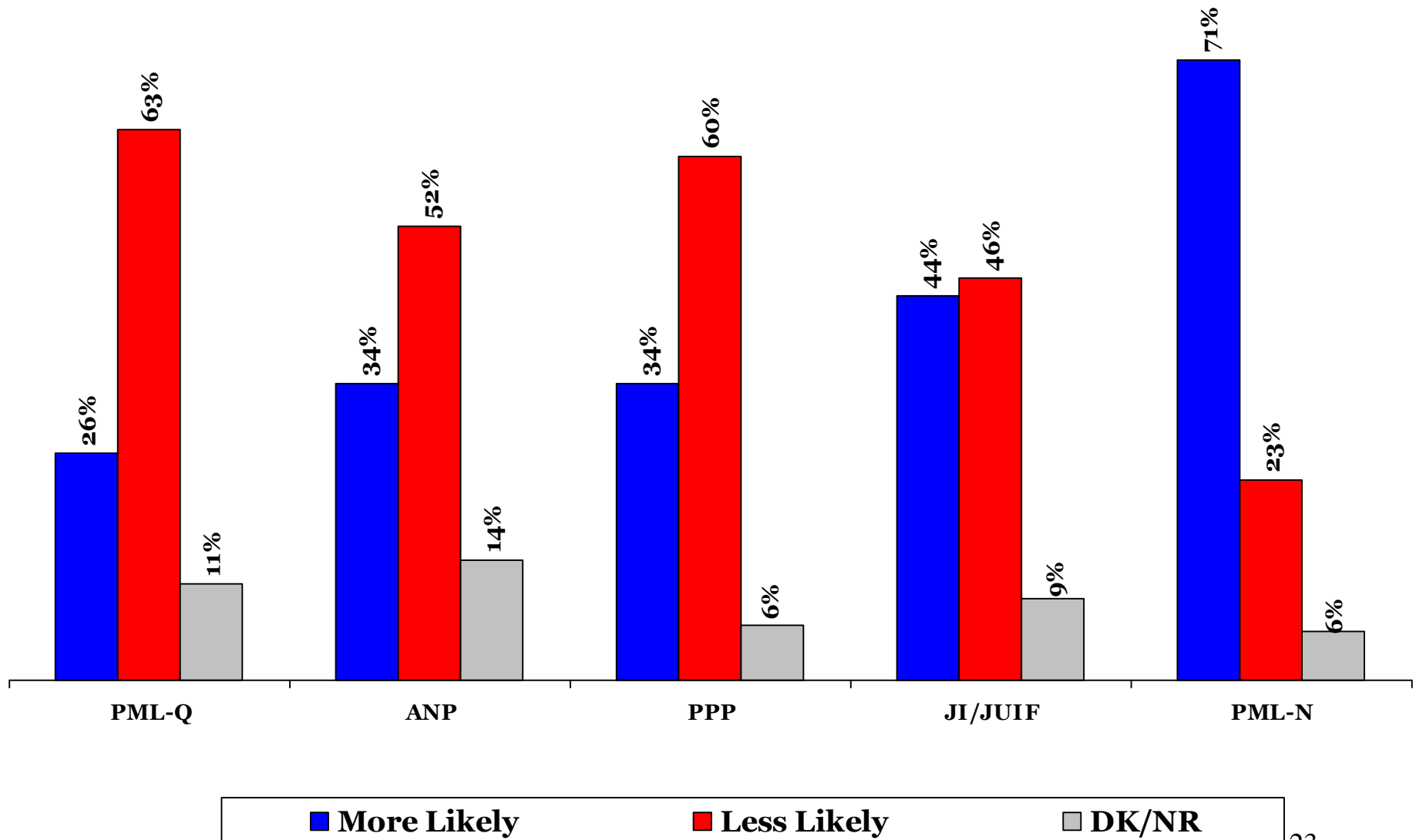


As a result of the deal, do you think the following are weaker or stronger?

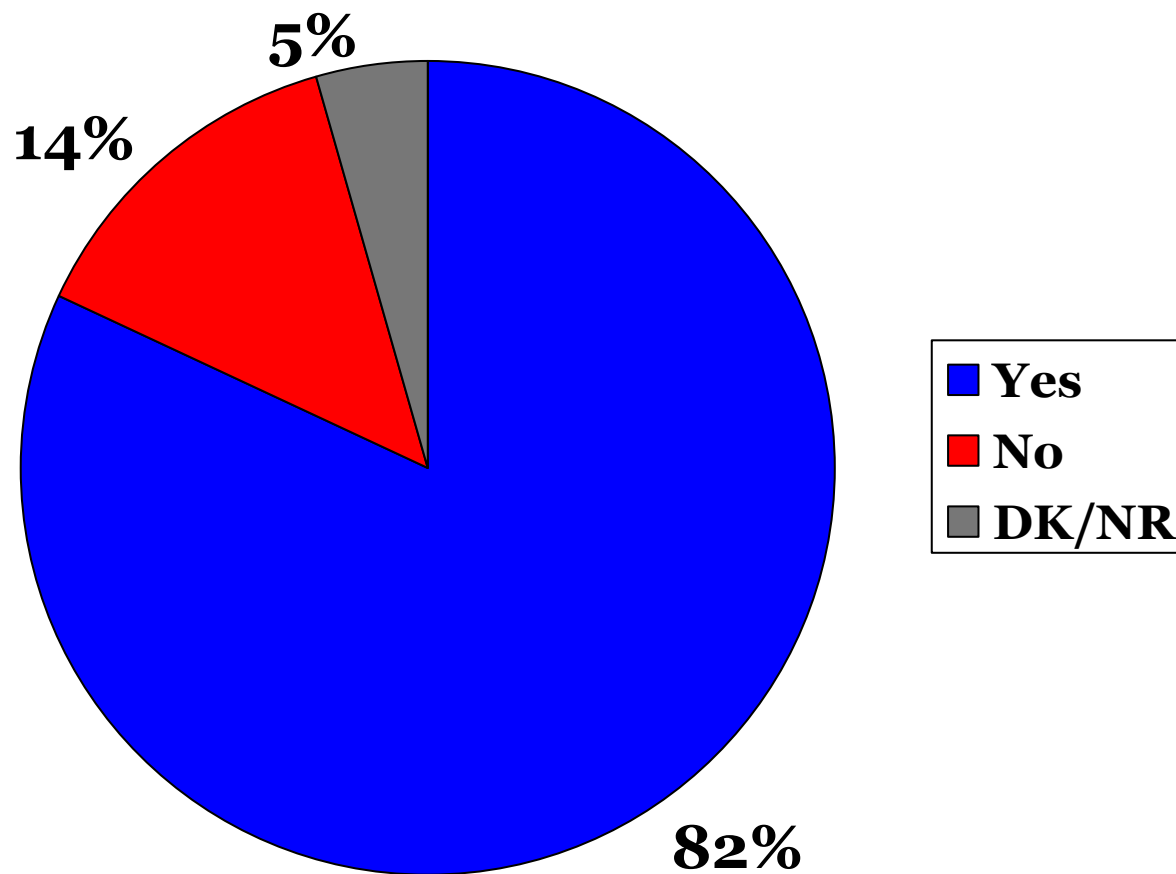




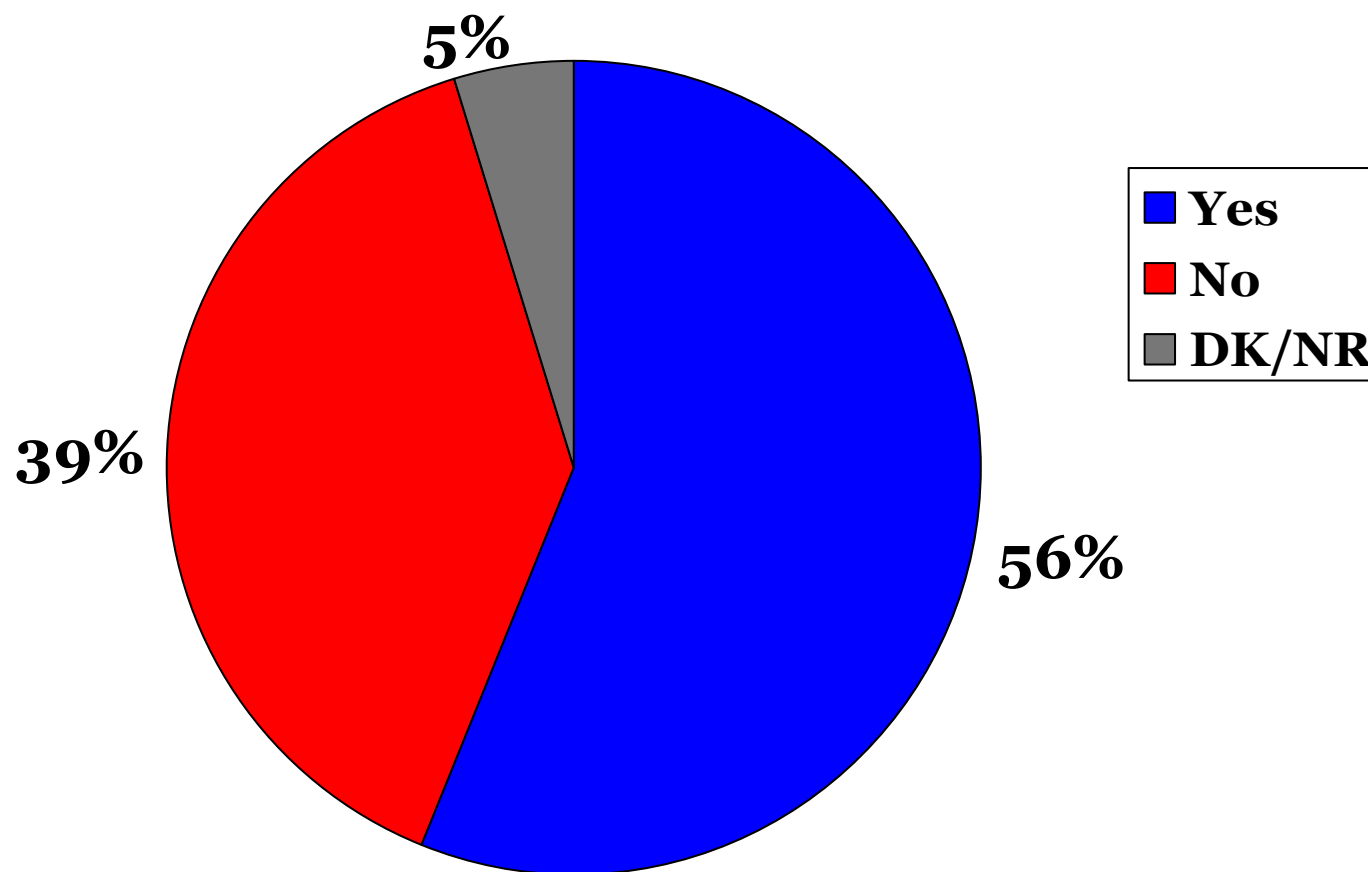
Does the deal make you more or less likely to support the following parties, assuming the election was to be held next week?



Do you think that President Zardari should sign the peace deal?

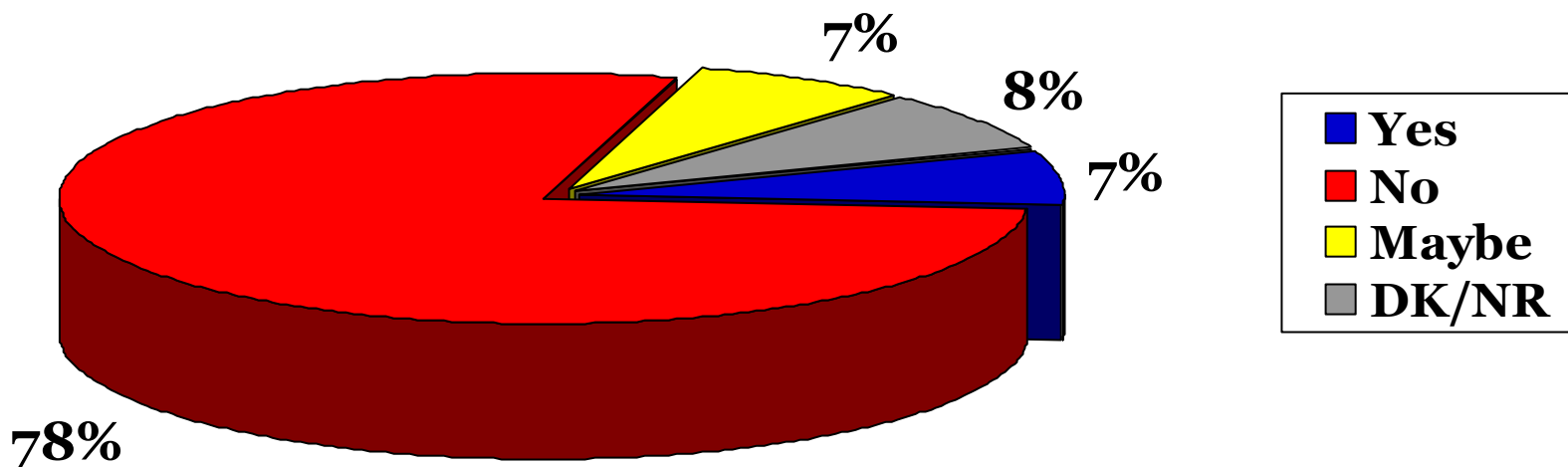


In the future, if the Taliban demand Sharia in other parts of Pakistan like Karachi, Multan, Quetta or Lahore for instance? Would you support their demand?



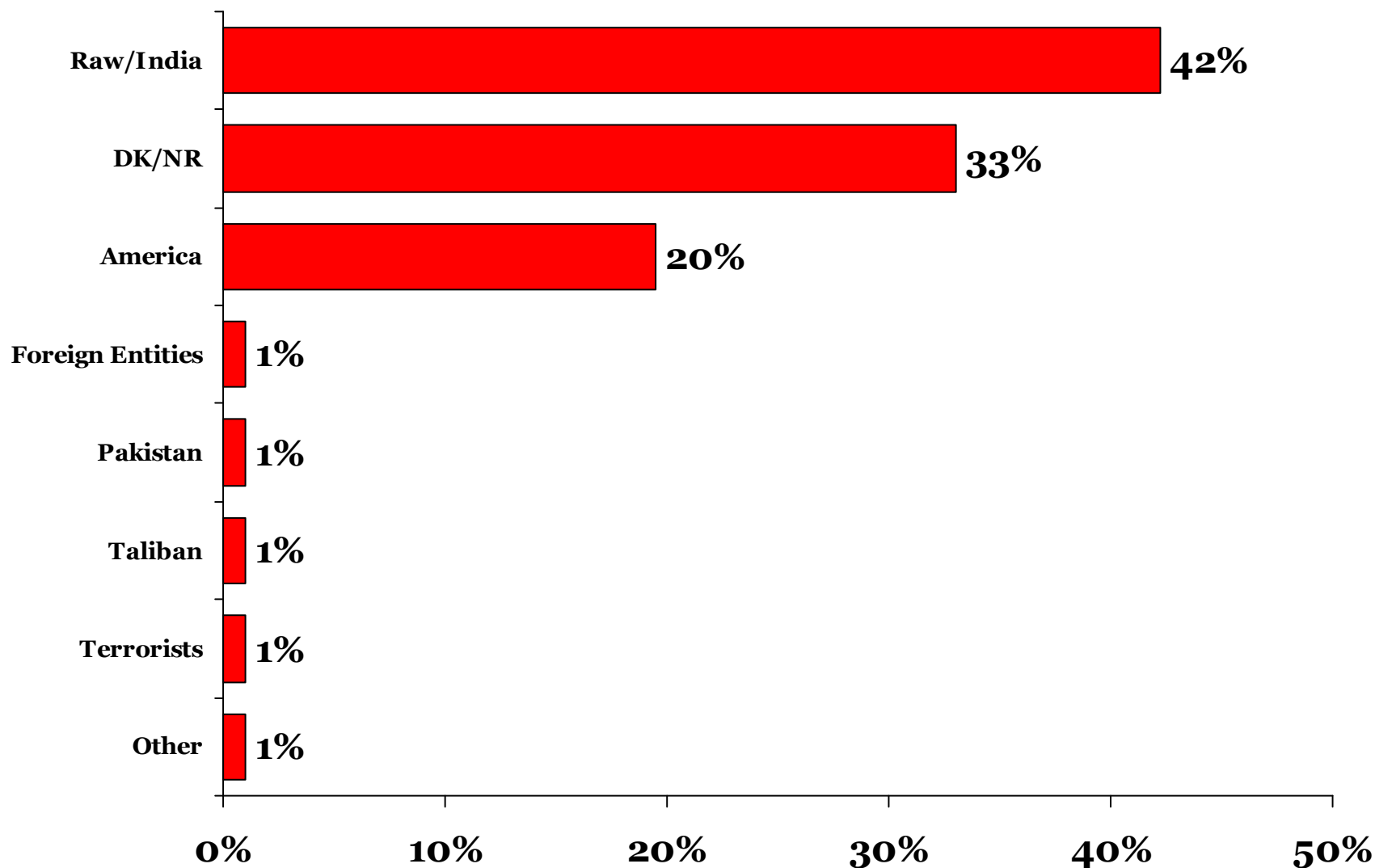


Terrorists recently attacked the city of Mumbai, killing 164 people. The news is reporting that the attacks were planned in Pakistan and carried out by Lashkar-e-Taiba. Do you believe this is true?



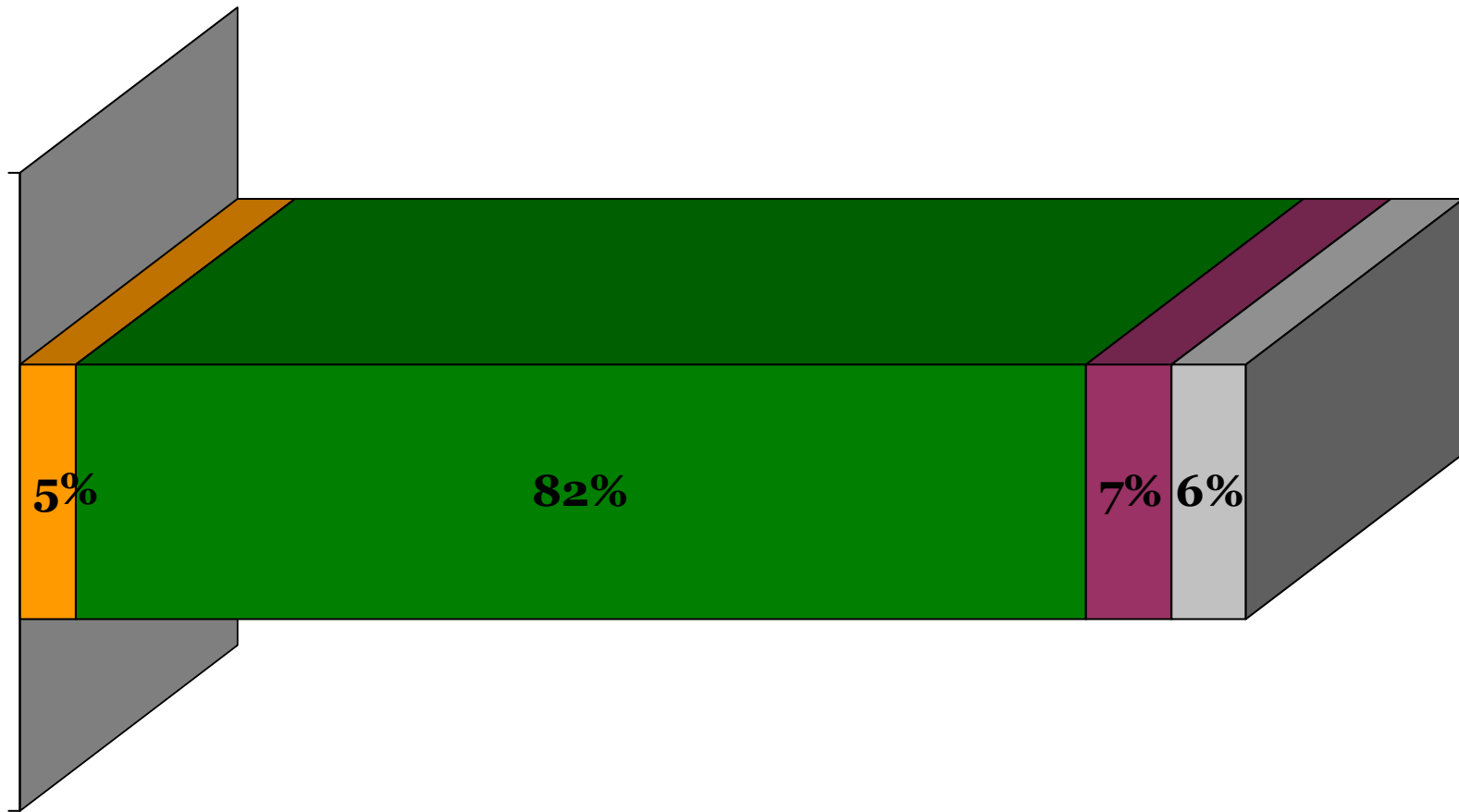


Who do you think was responsible for the Mumbai attacks?



Note: Research and Analysis Wing (RAW) is India's external intelligence agency.

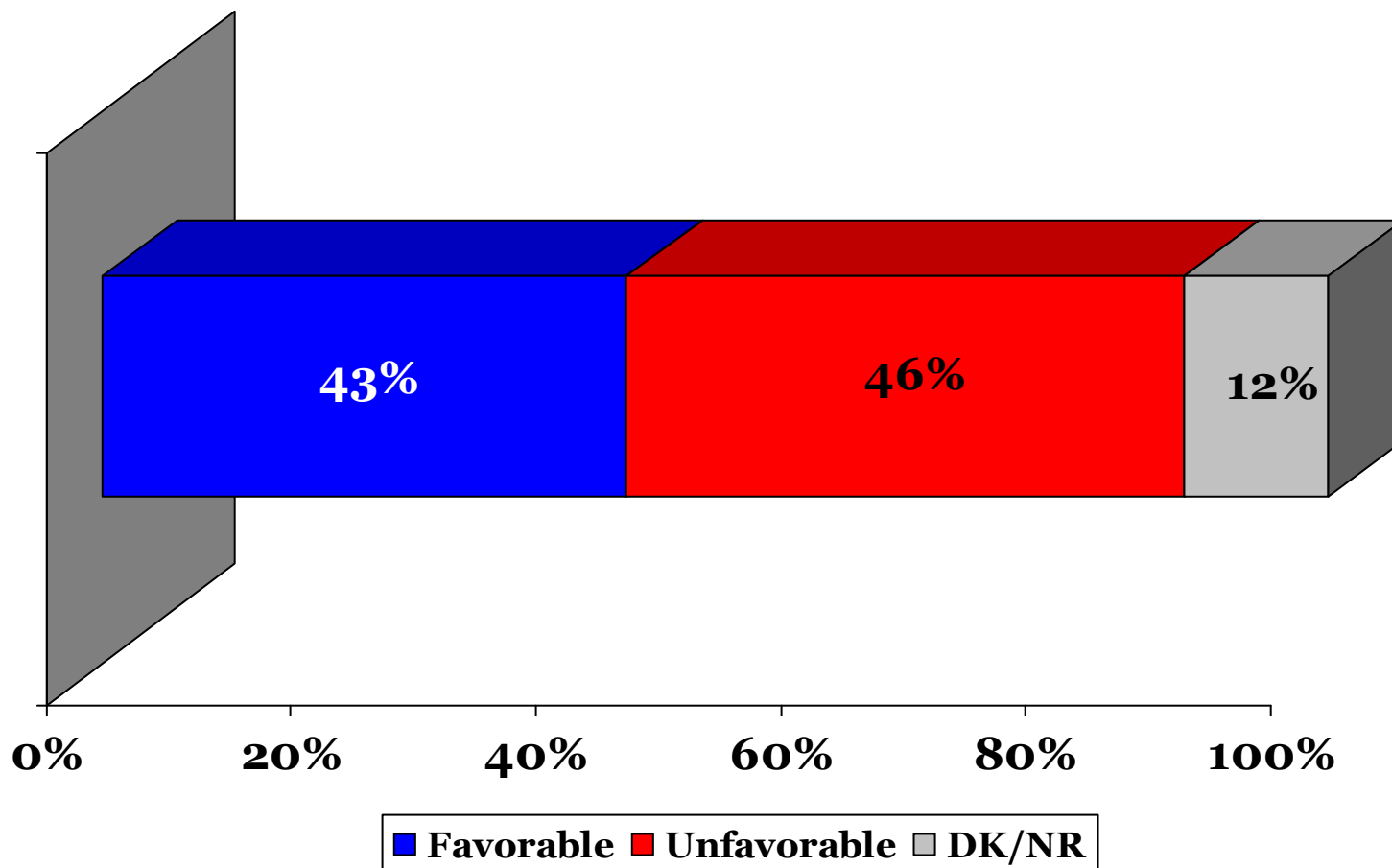
If there is proof that the attacks were planned in Pakistan and carried out by Lashkar-e-Taiba, what do you think should happen to those involved?



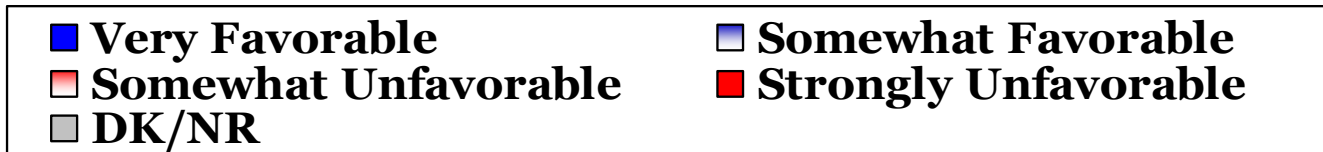
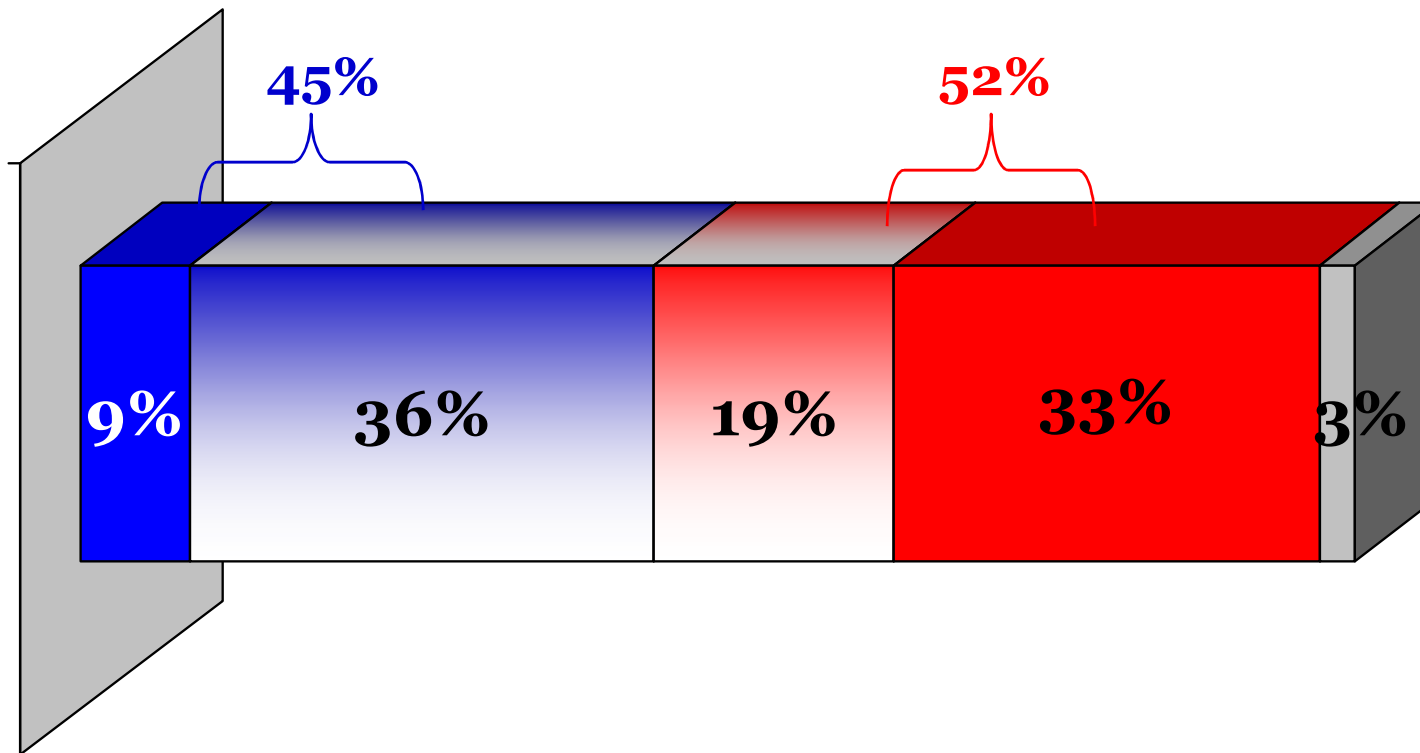
- Turned over to India for trial and punishment
- Tried and punished in Pakistan
- Nothing
- DK/NR



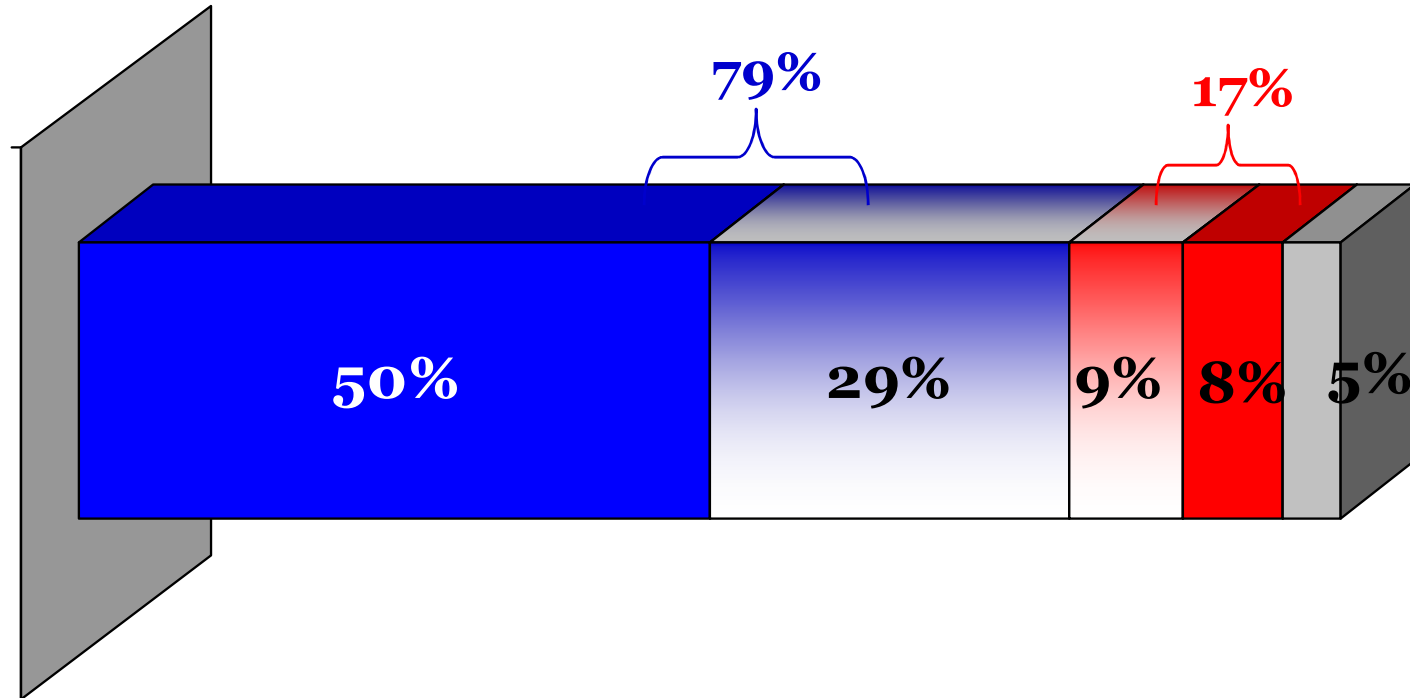
Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Lashkar-e-Taiba?



Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the nation of India?



Do you think it is a serious problem if Lashkar-e-Taiba, Al-Qaeda and other terrorists are using Pakistan as a base of operations to launch attacks against India?

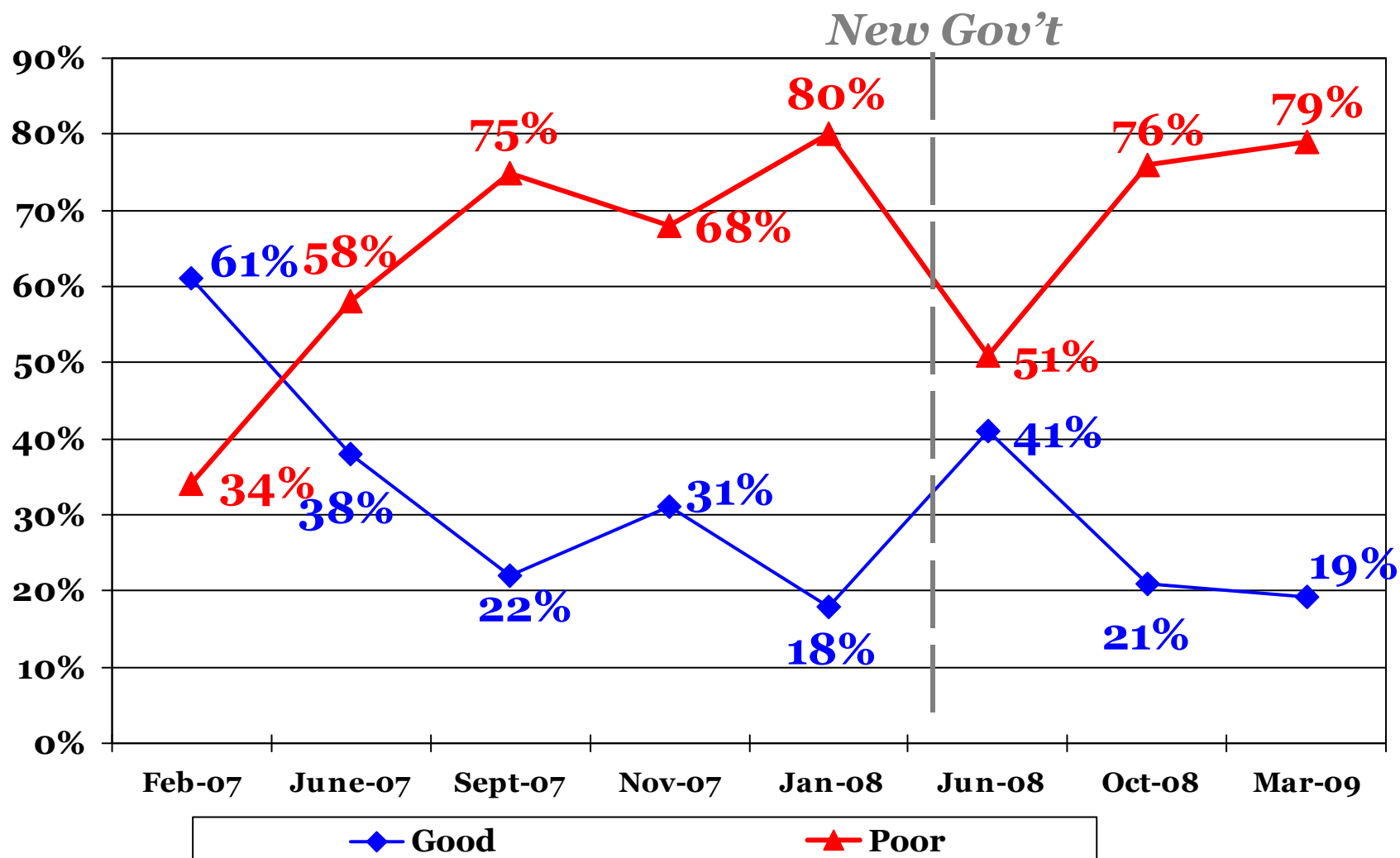




INSTITUTIONAL RATINGS



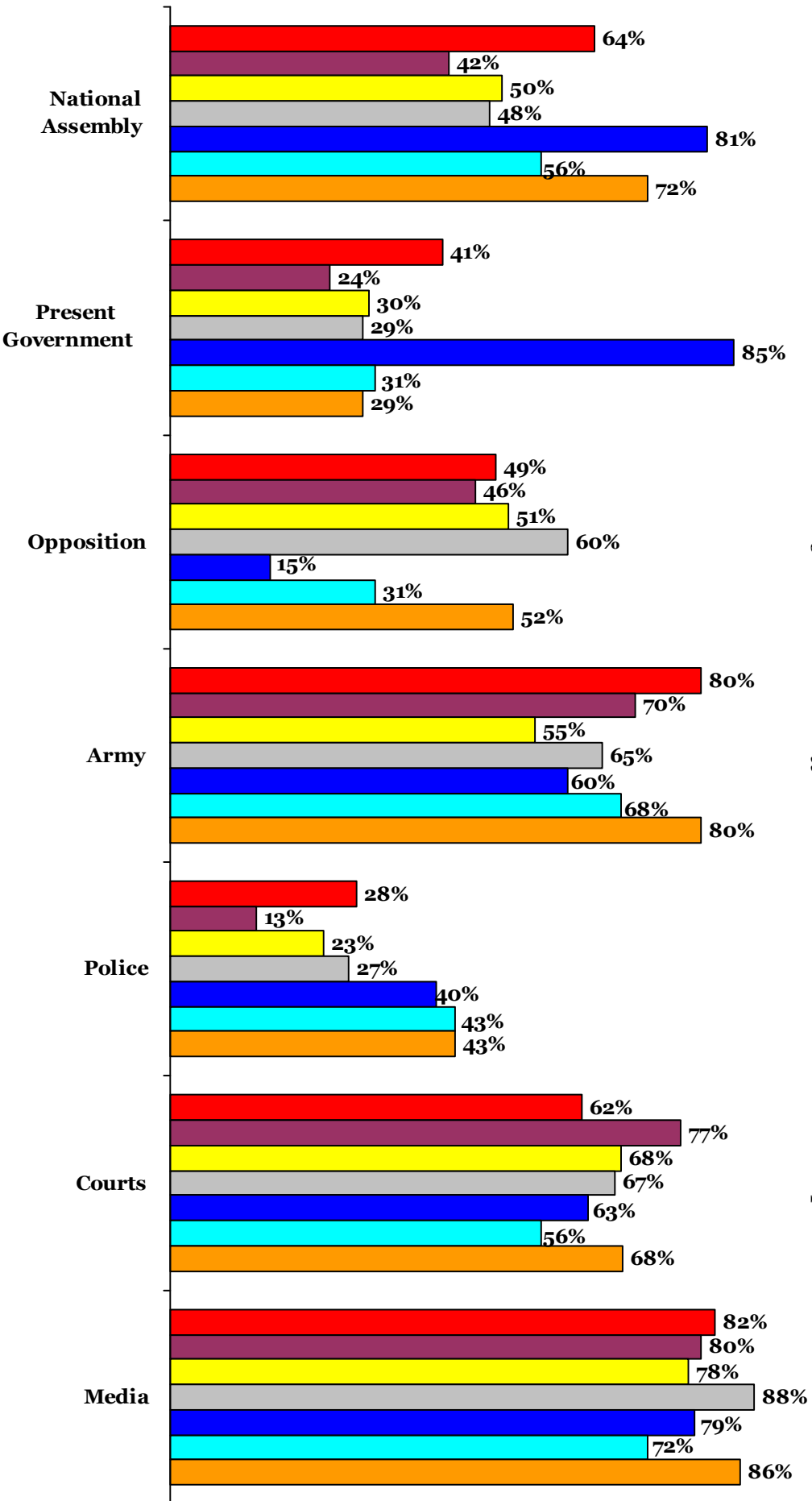
In your opinion, how has the government performed on the issues most important to you?





How would you rate the following institutions? (percent saying favorable)

*NOTE: A new government took office between the Jan 08 and June 08 polls

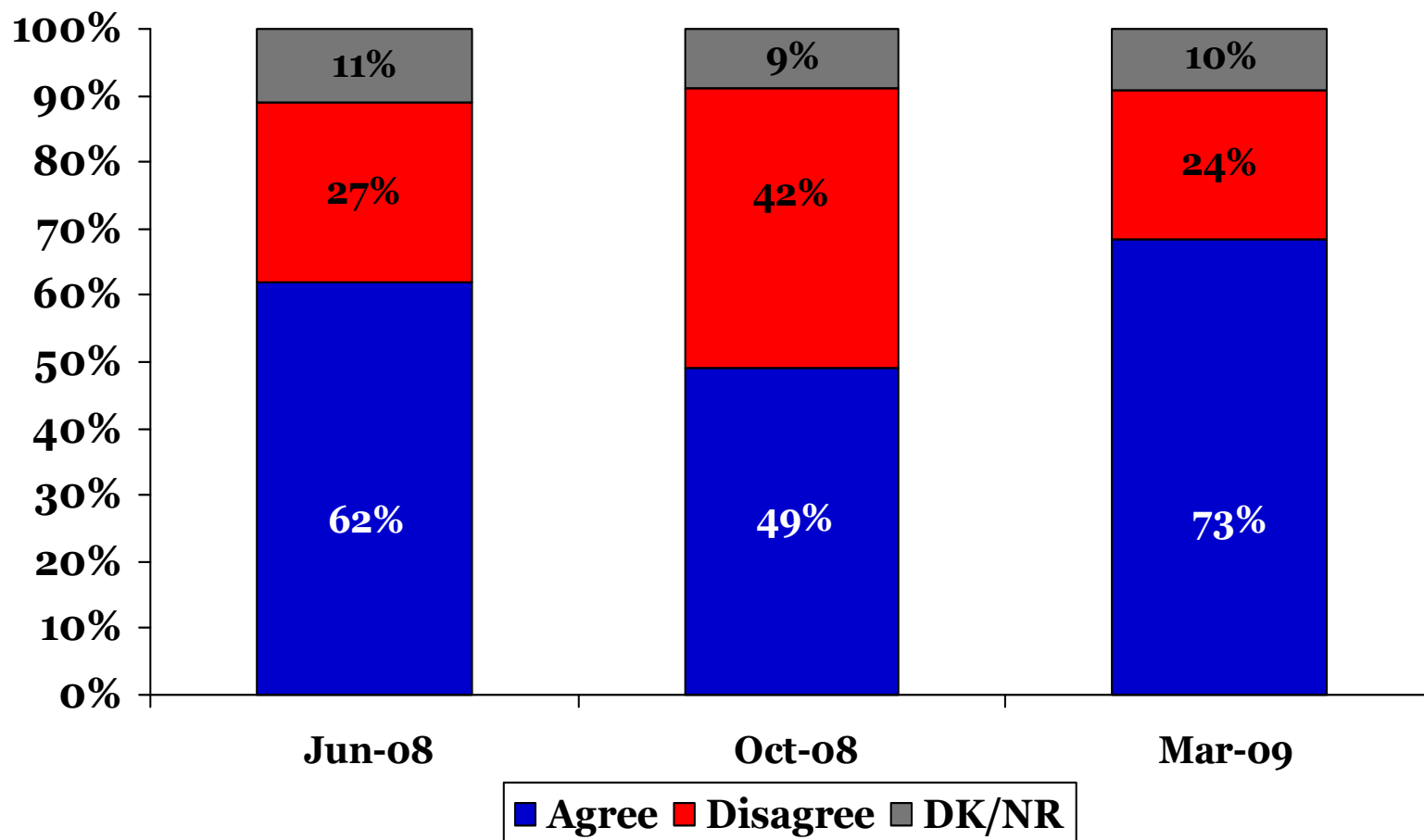




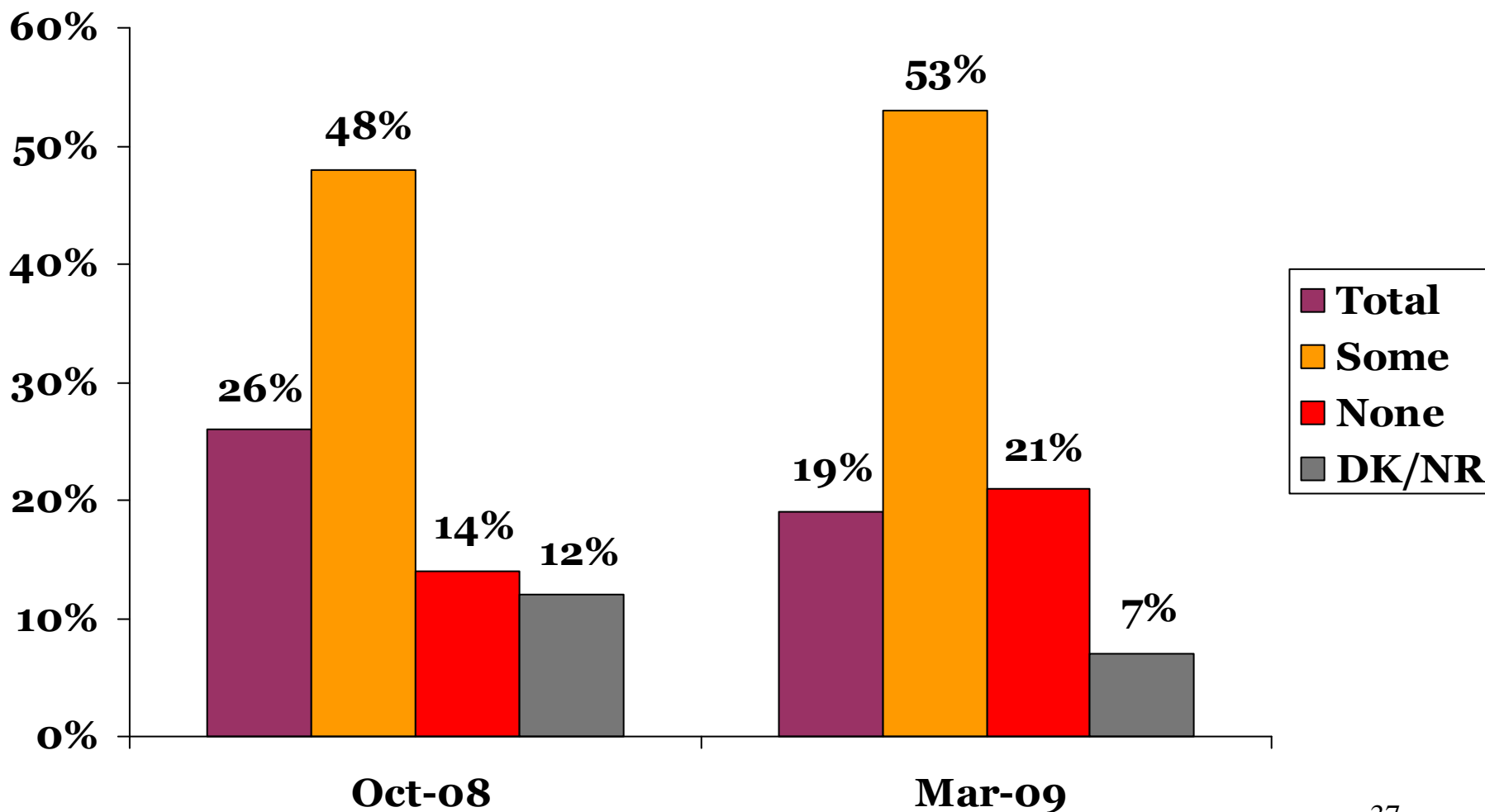
THE ARMY



Agree or Disagree? The Army should have no role in the civilian government.

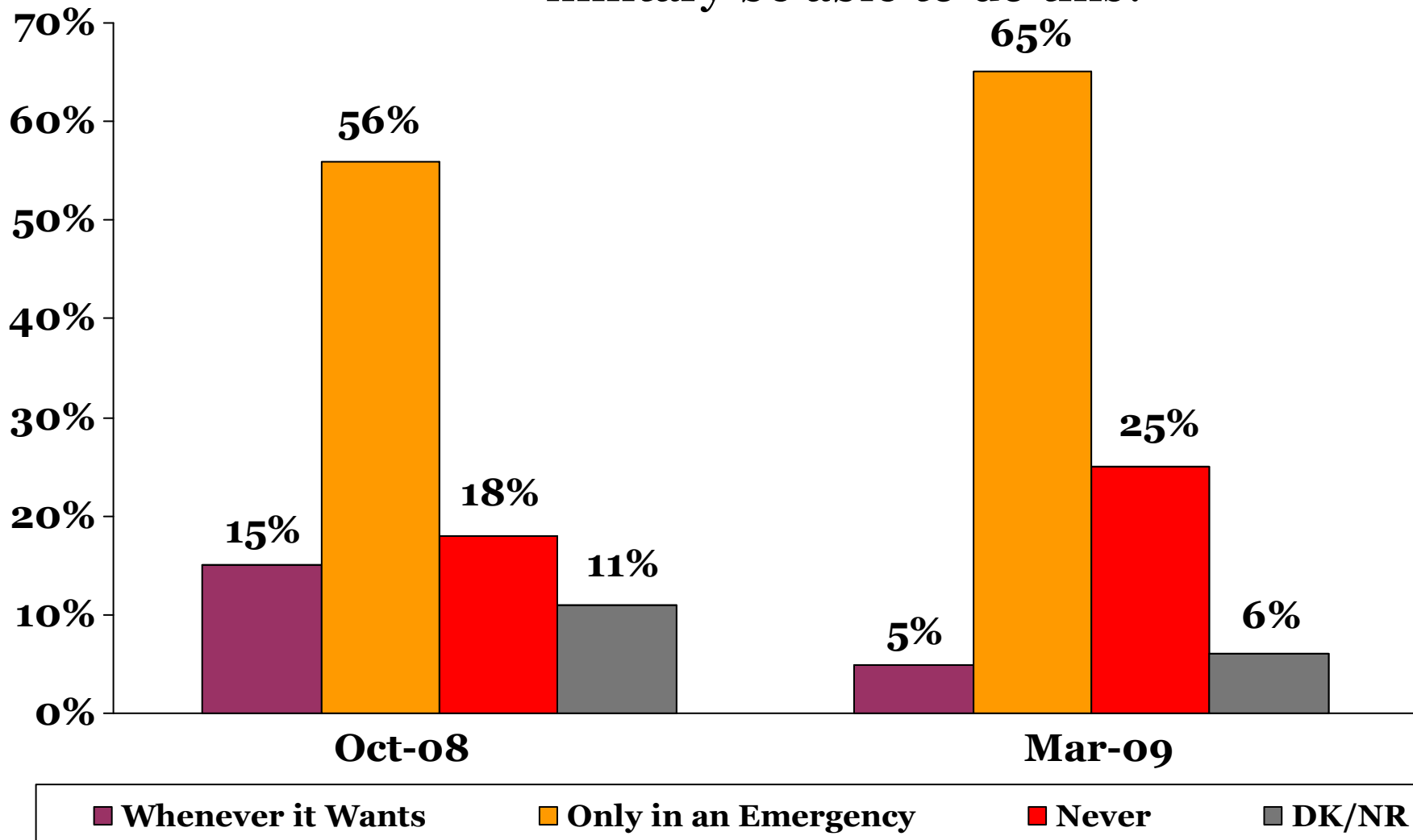


The 1973 Constitution of Pakistan says the military should work under civilian leadership. In your opinion, how much control should civilian leadership have over the military?



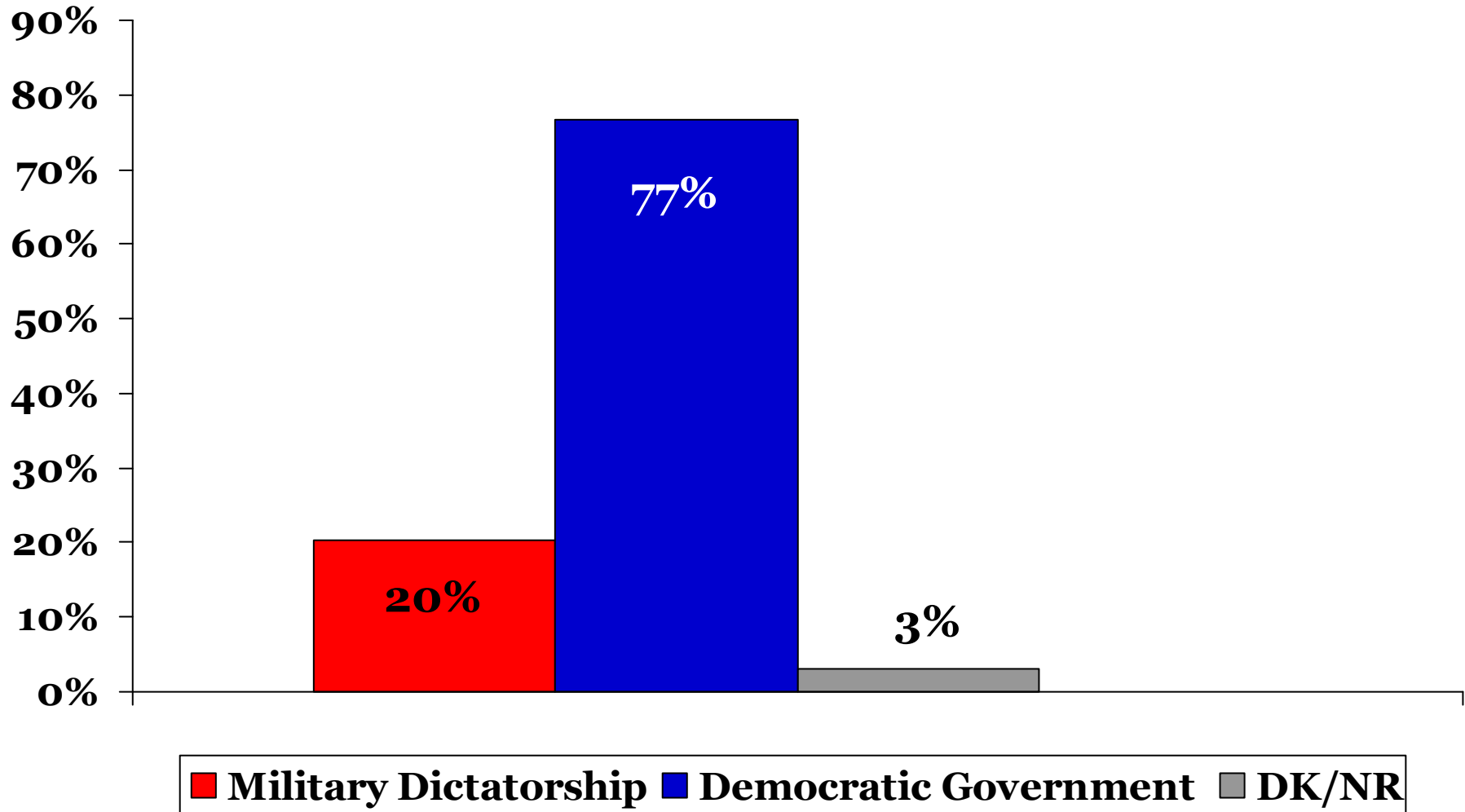


Some people say the military has the right to take over from civilian leaders when they have become too corrupt or fail to govern. Under what circumstances should the military be able to do this?





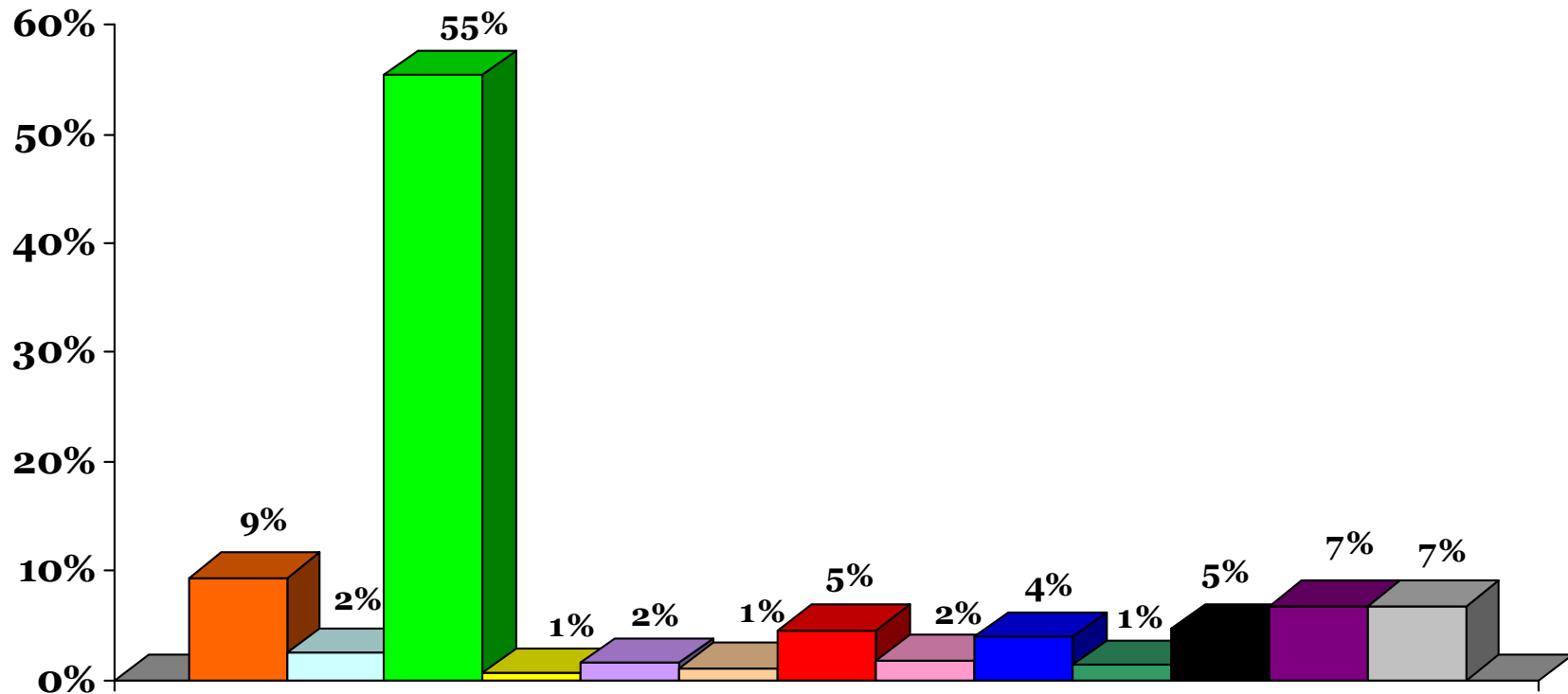
If you had a choice between a stable and prosperous Pakistan that was ruled by a military dictatorship or a democratic government that led to an unstable and insecure Pakistan, which would you choose?





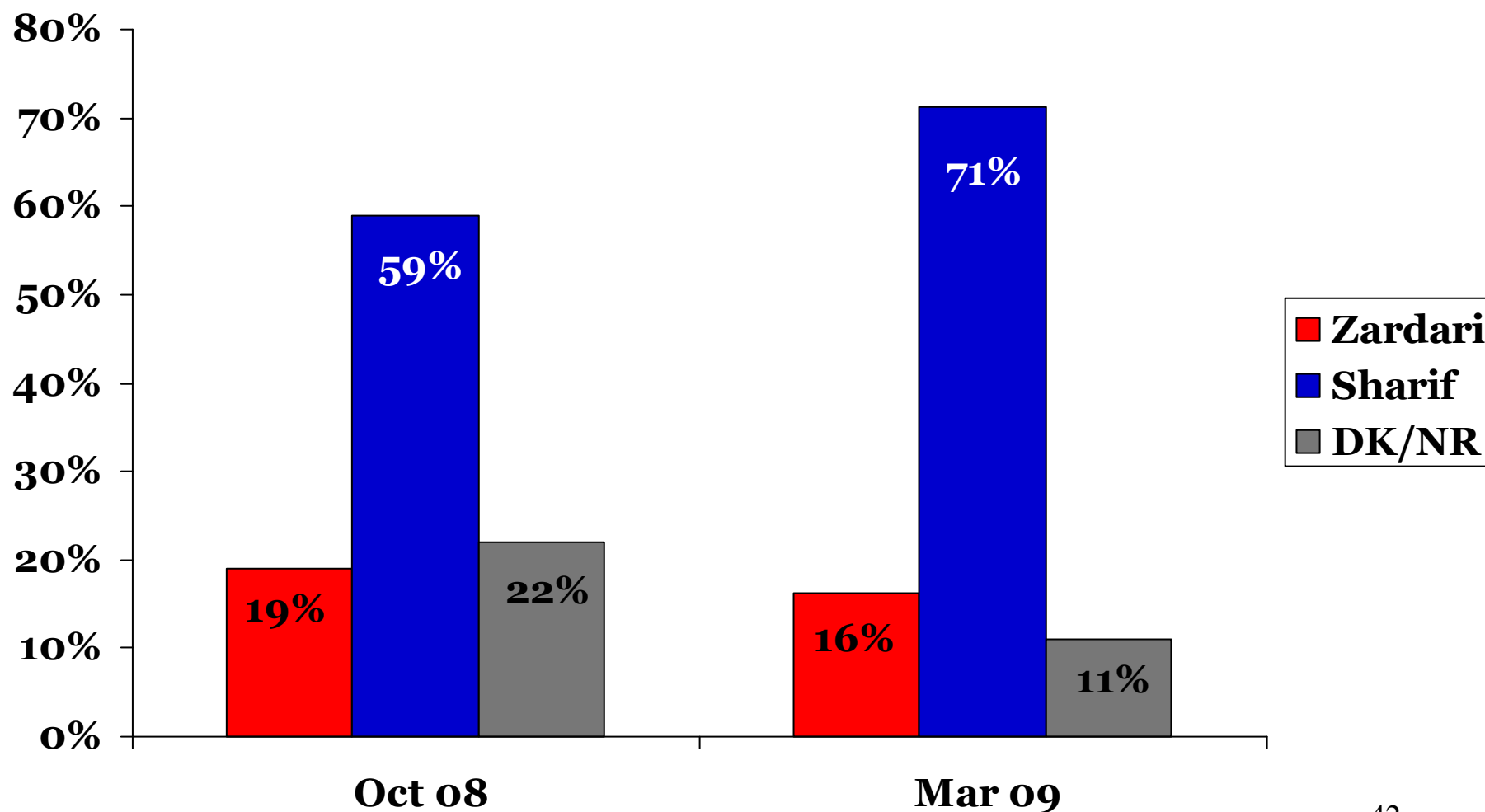
LEADERSHIP RATINGS

Which one leader do you think will be able to handle the problems facing Pakistan most effectively?





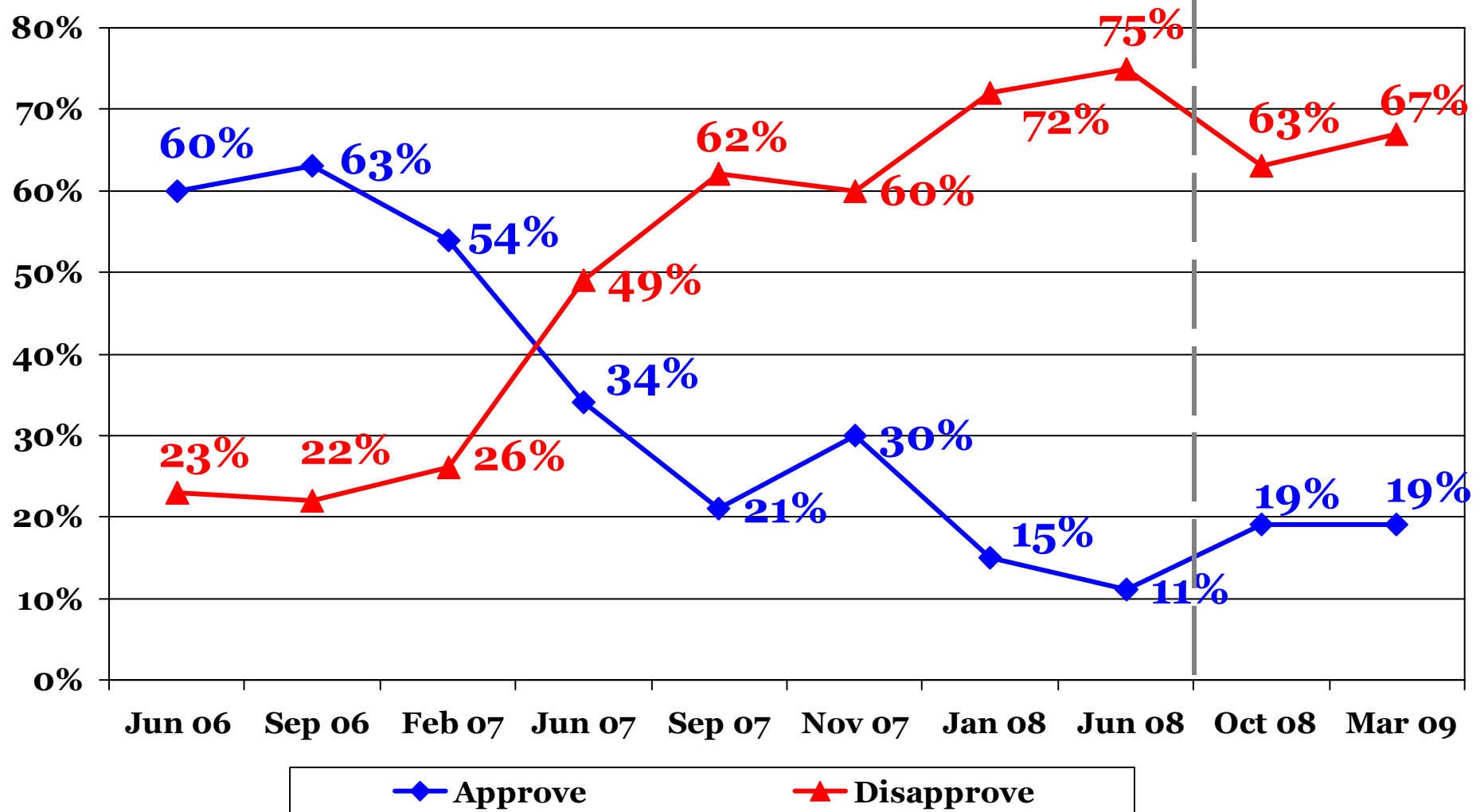
Who would you rather see as the president of Pakistan, Nawaz Sharif or Asif Zardari?



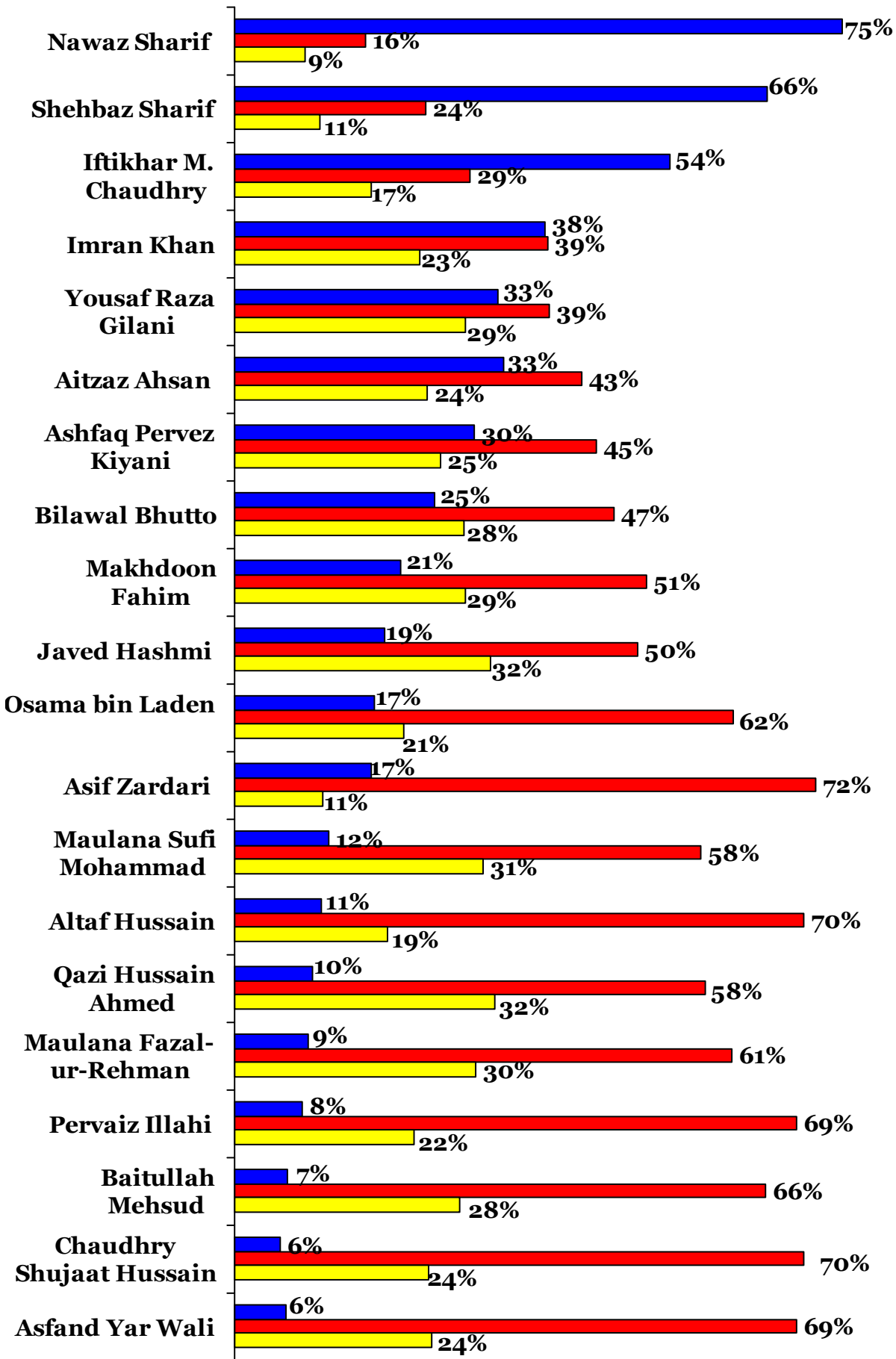


Do you approve or disapprove of the job the President is doing?

Zardari Sworn In

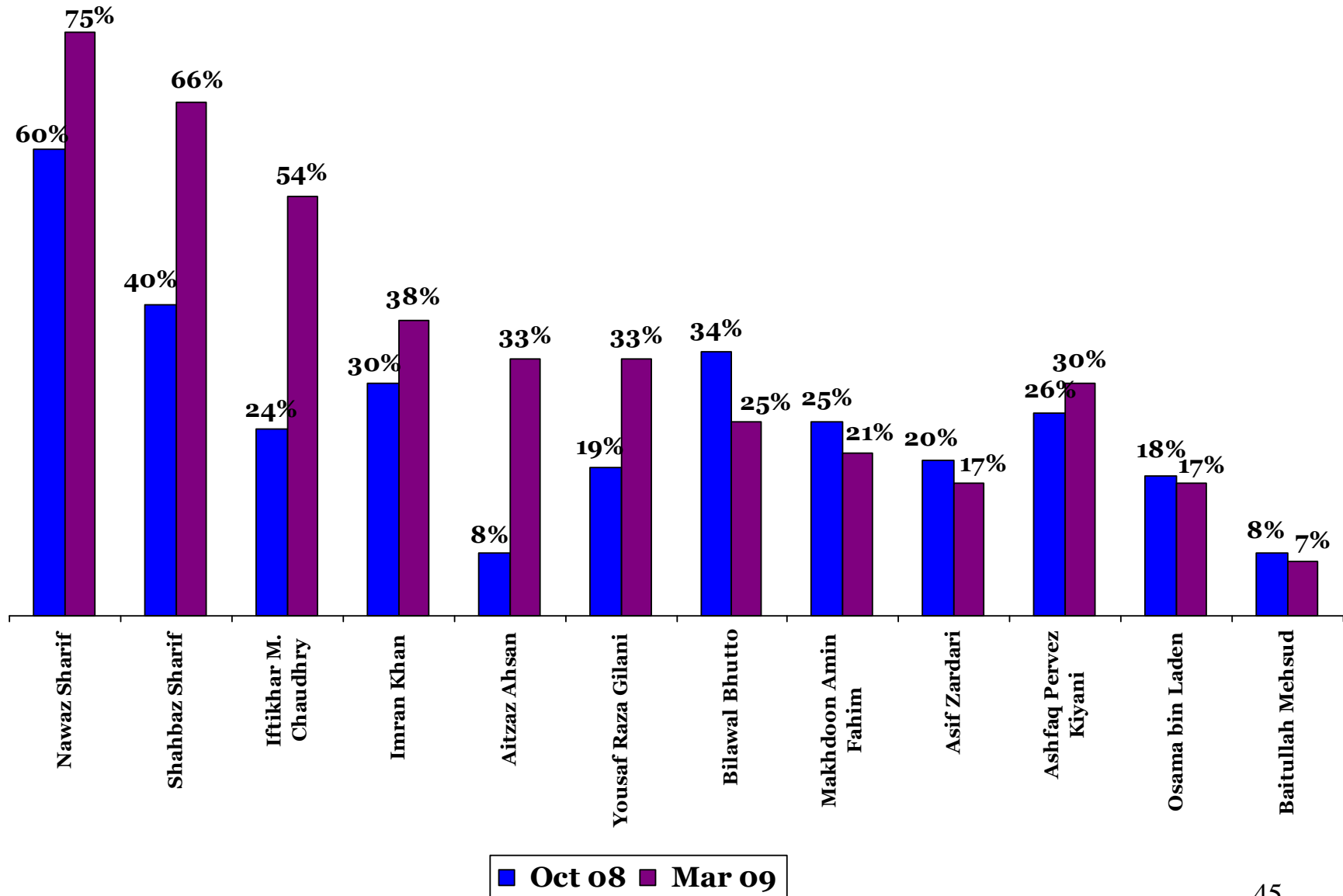


Would you say you like or dislike the following political personalities?



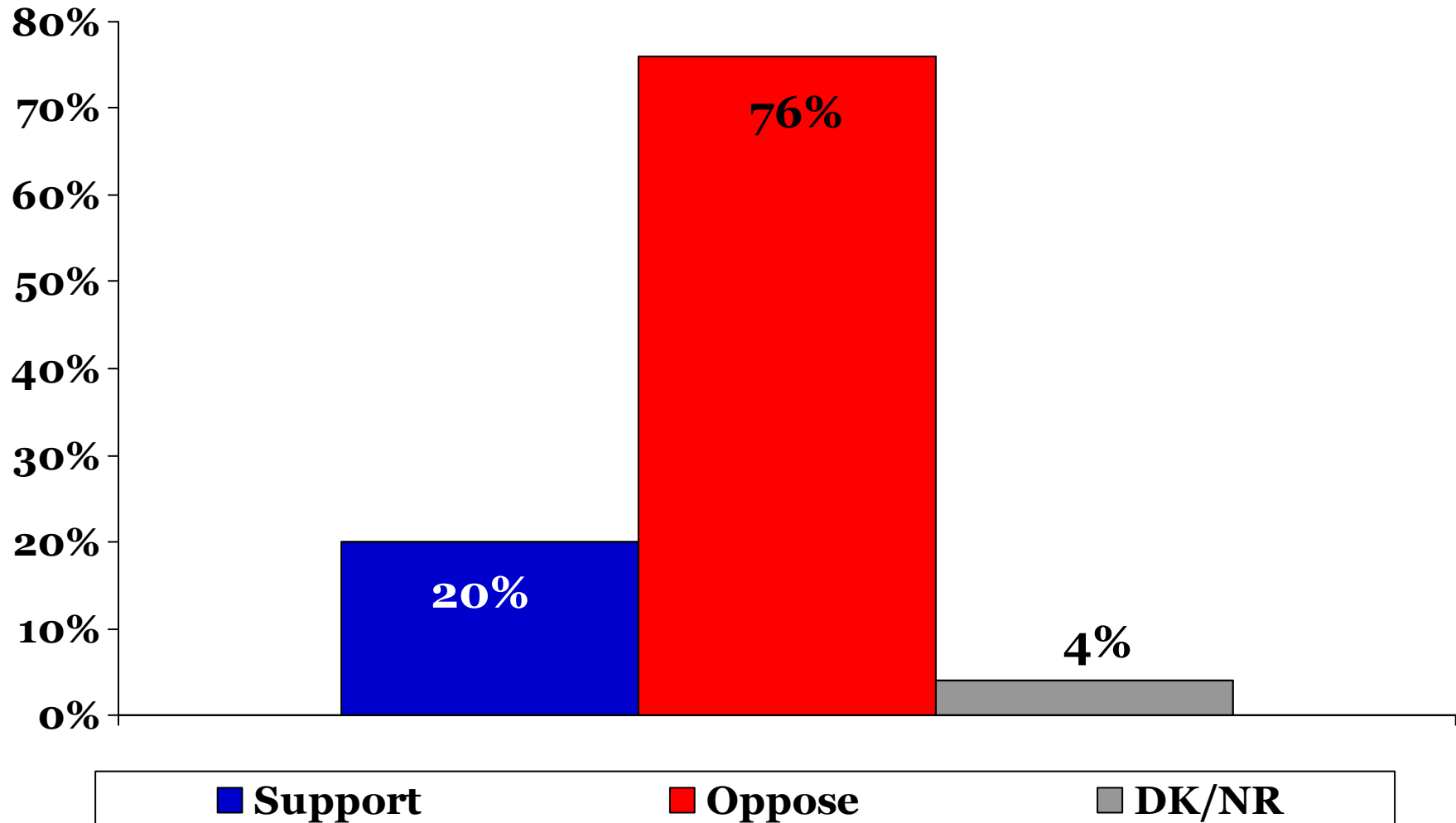
Like Dislike Neither/DK/NR

Would you say you liked or disliked the following political personalities? (Percentage Favorable)



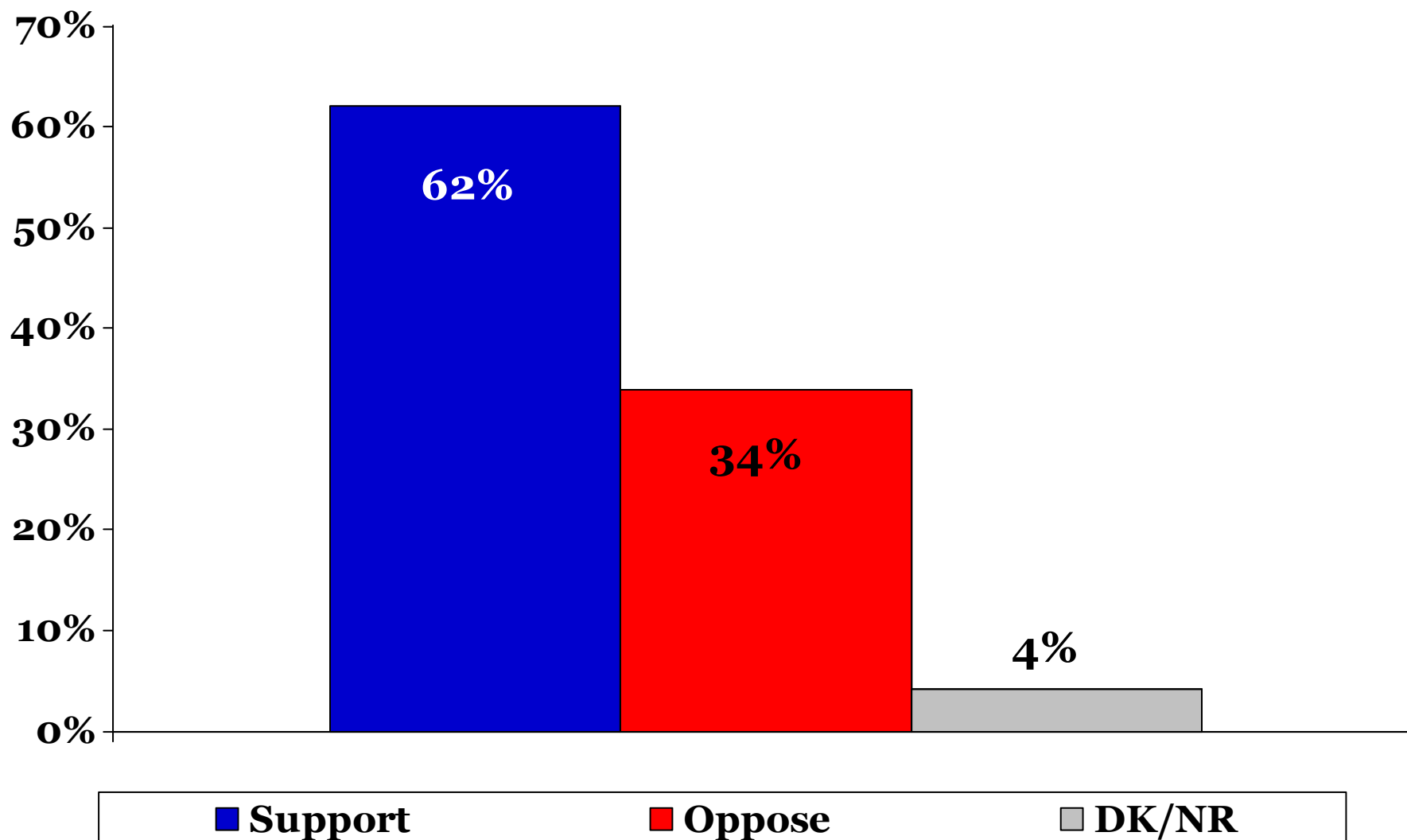


The Supreme Court recently ruled that Nawaz and Shabaz Sharif were ineligible to hold office. As a result, Shabaz has been removed as the Chief Minister of Punjab. Do you support or oppose this decision?





As a result of the decision, protests have broken out all over the country. Do you support or oppose these protests?

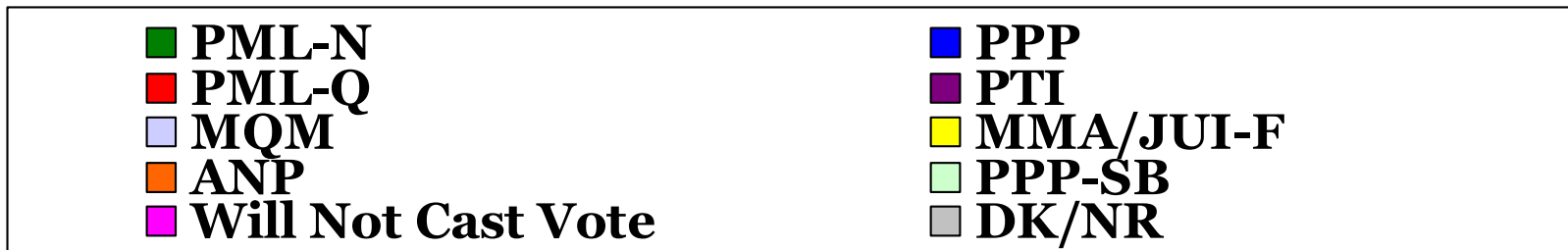
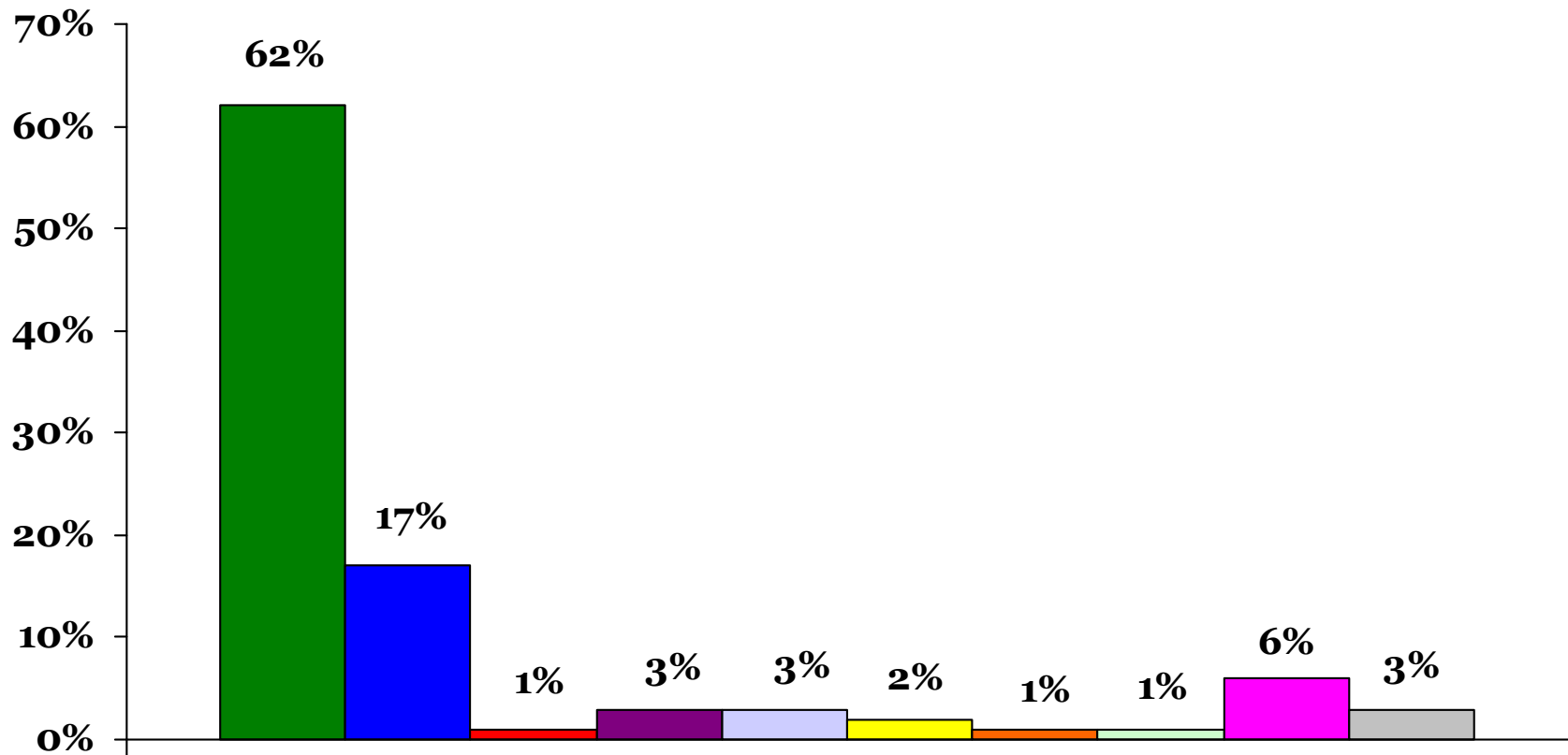




ELECTIONS

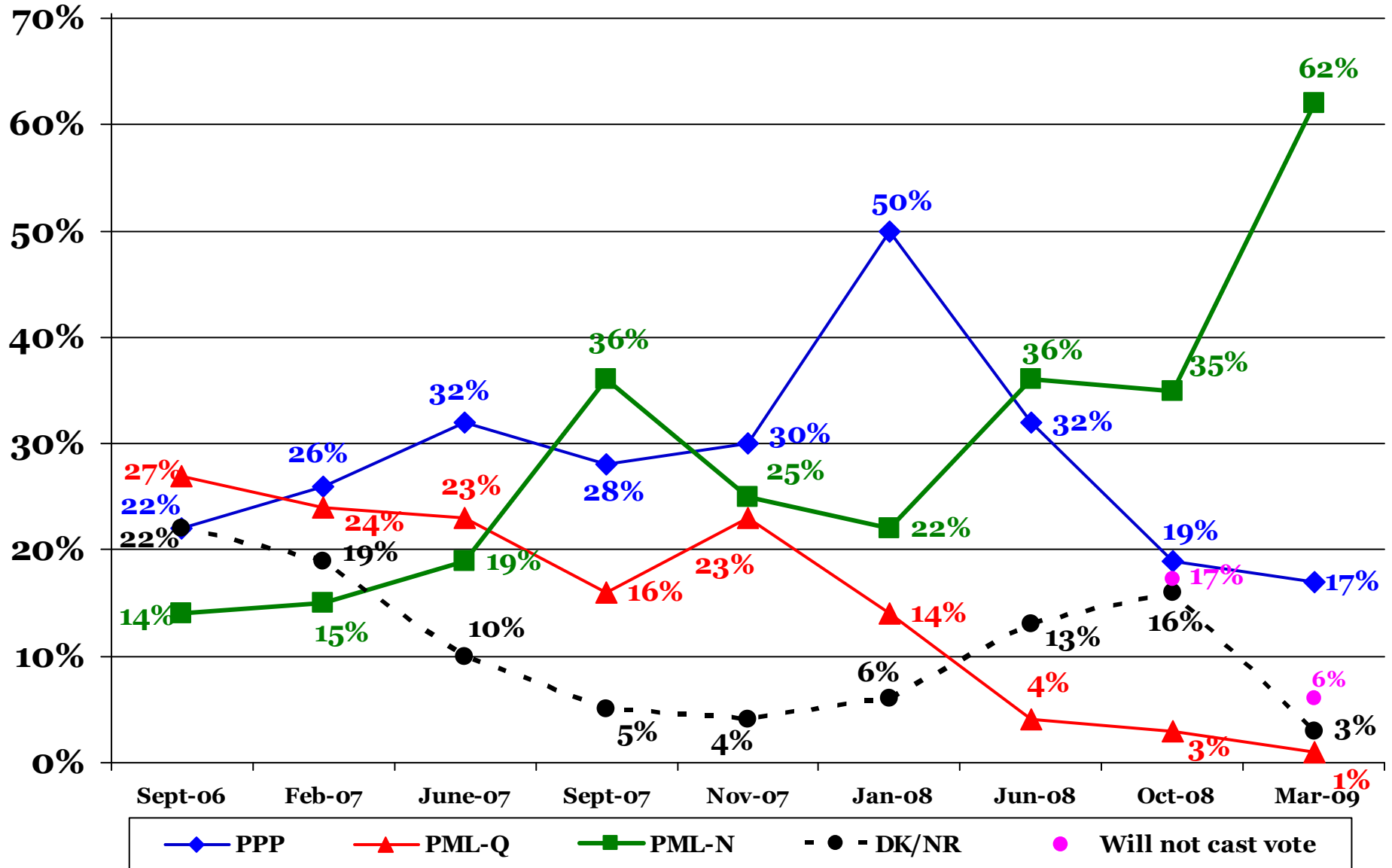


If the elections for national assembly were held next week, for which party would you vote?





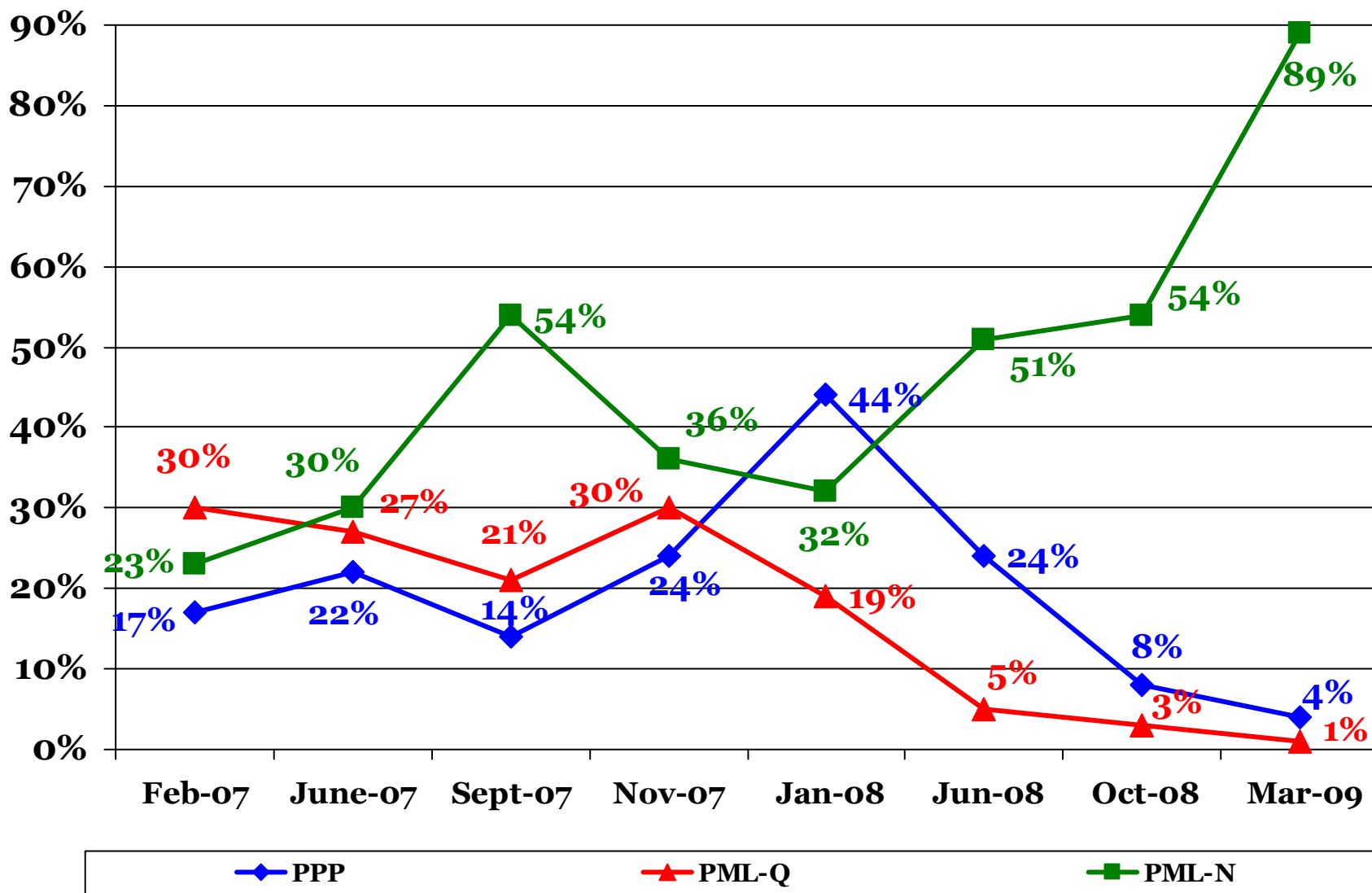
If the elections for national assembly were held next week, for which party would you vote? (Tracking Major Parties)





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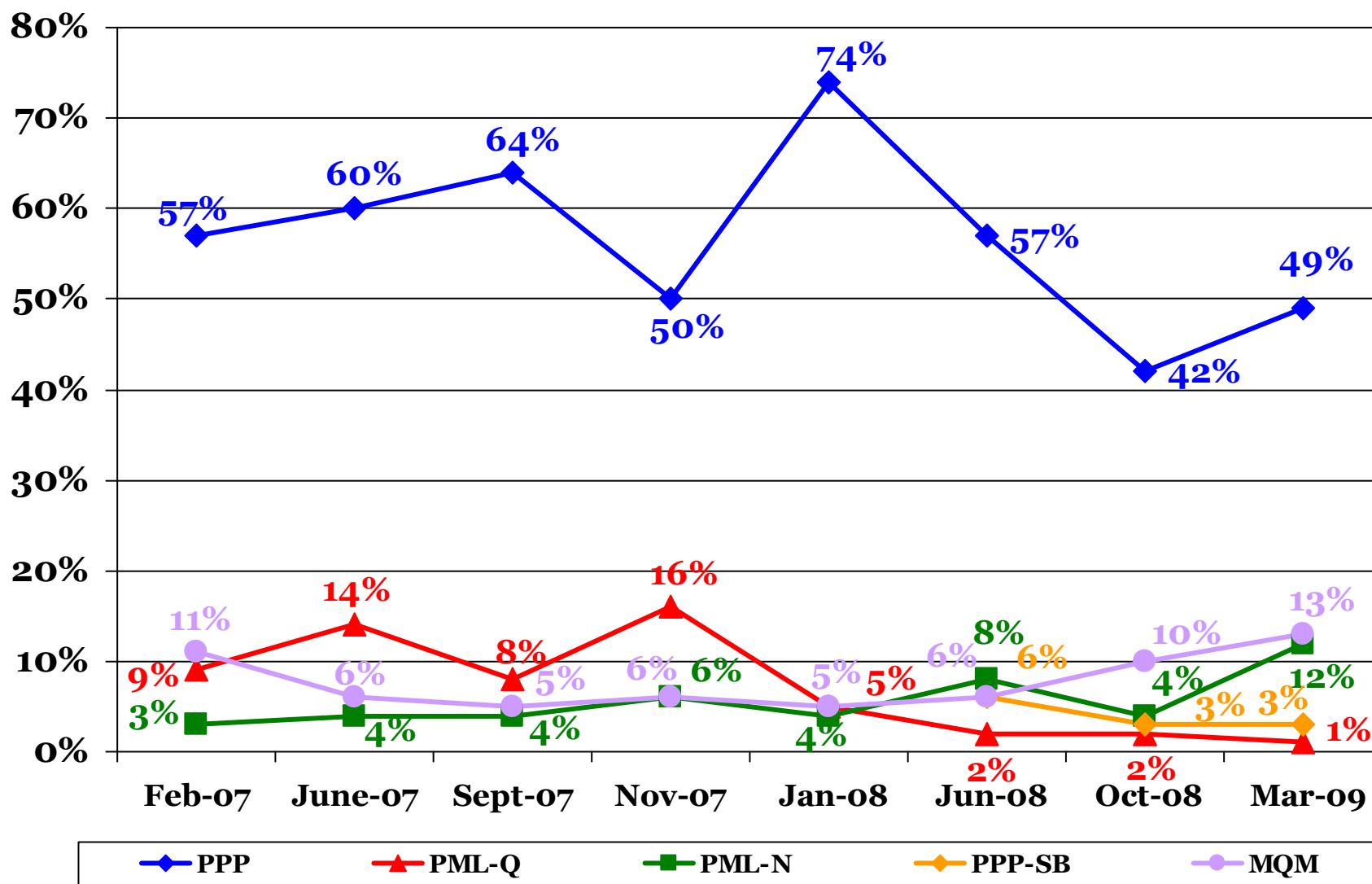
PUNJAB





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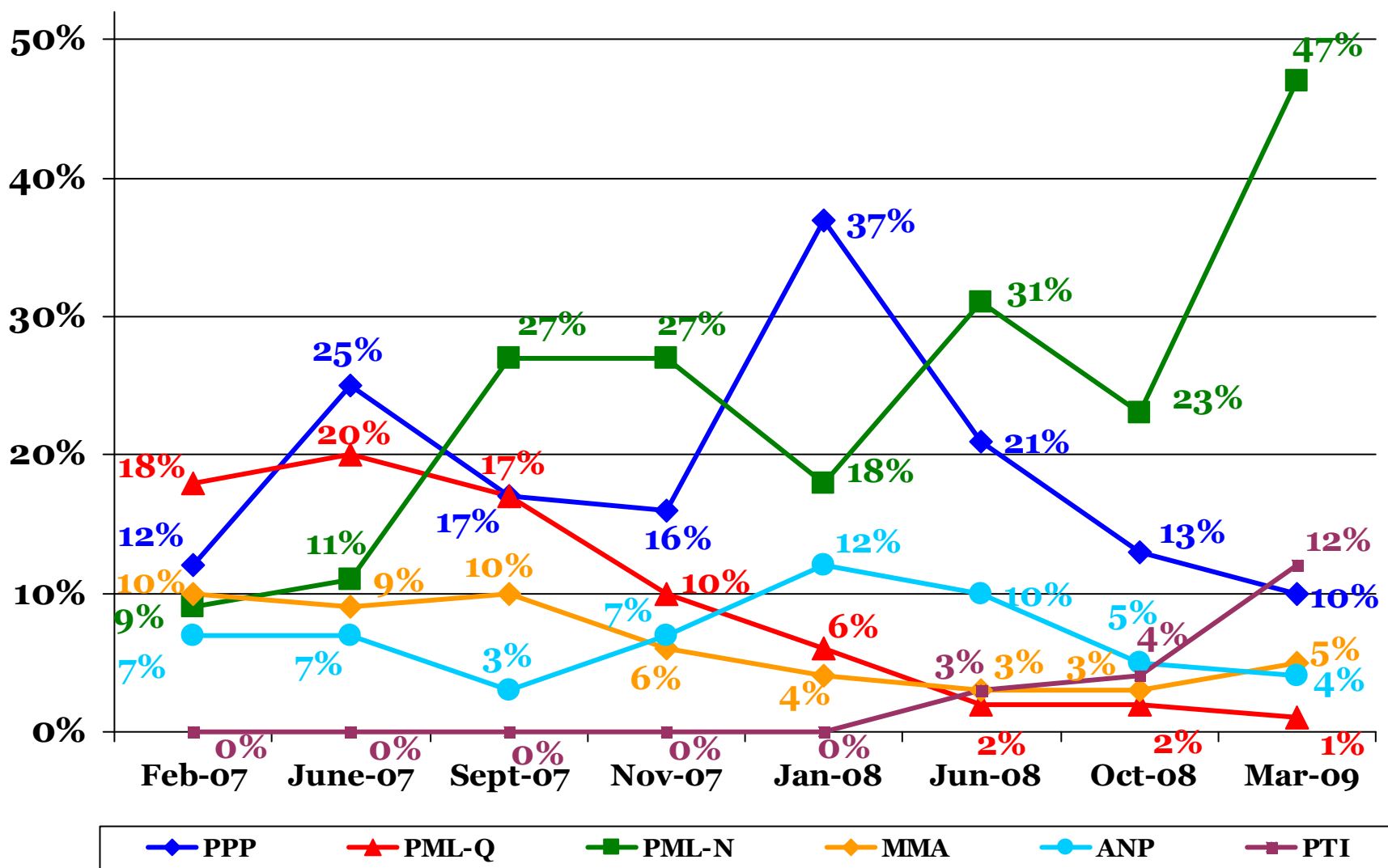
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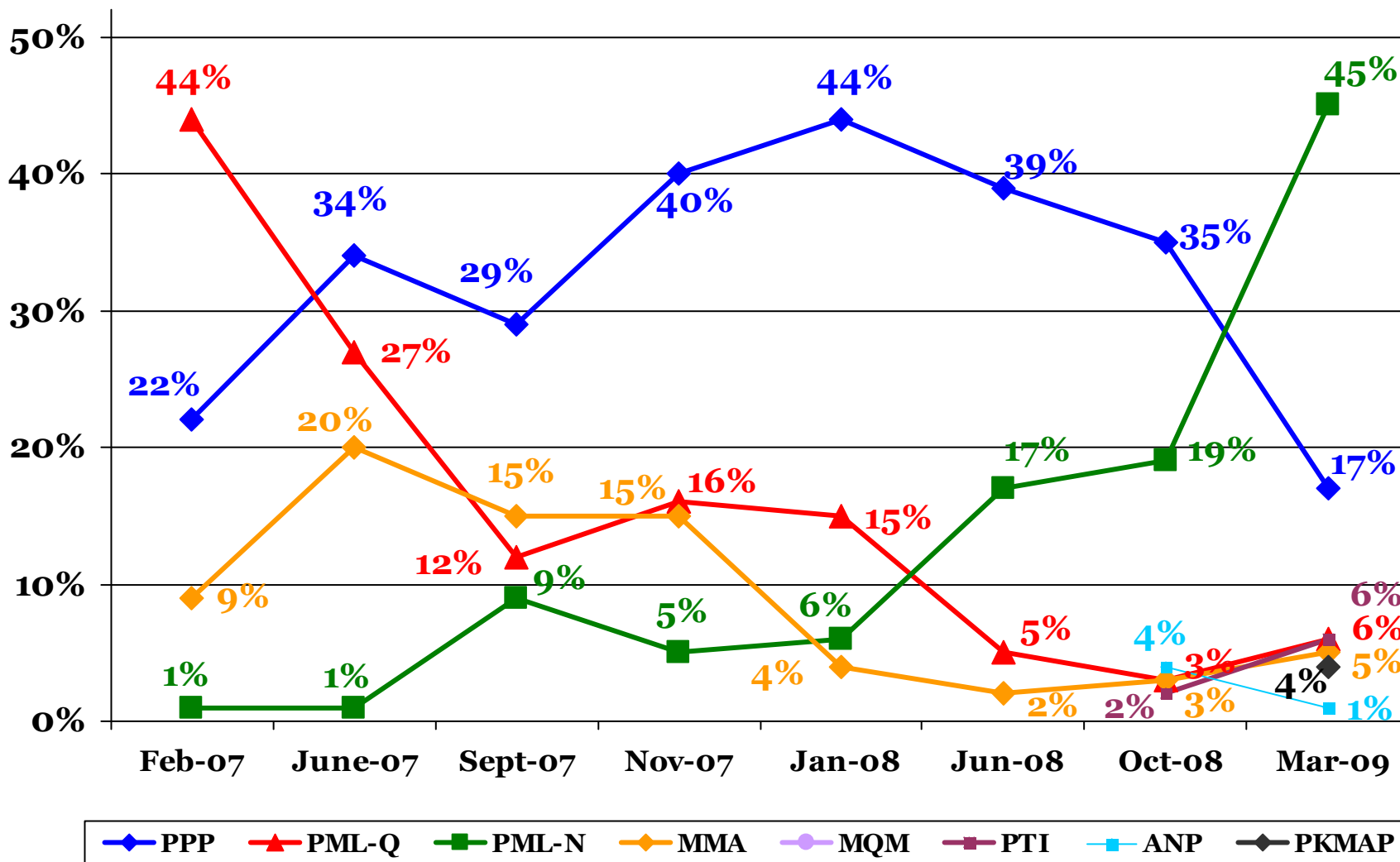
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NWFP



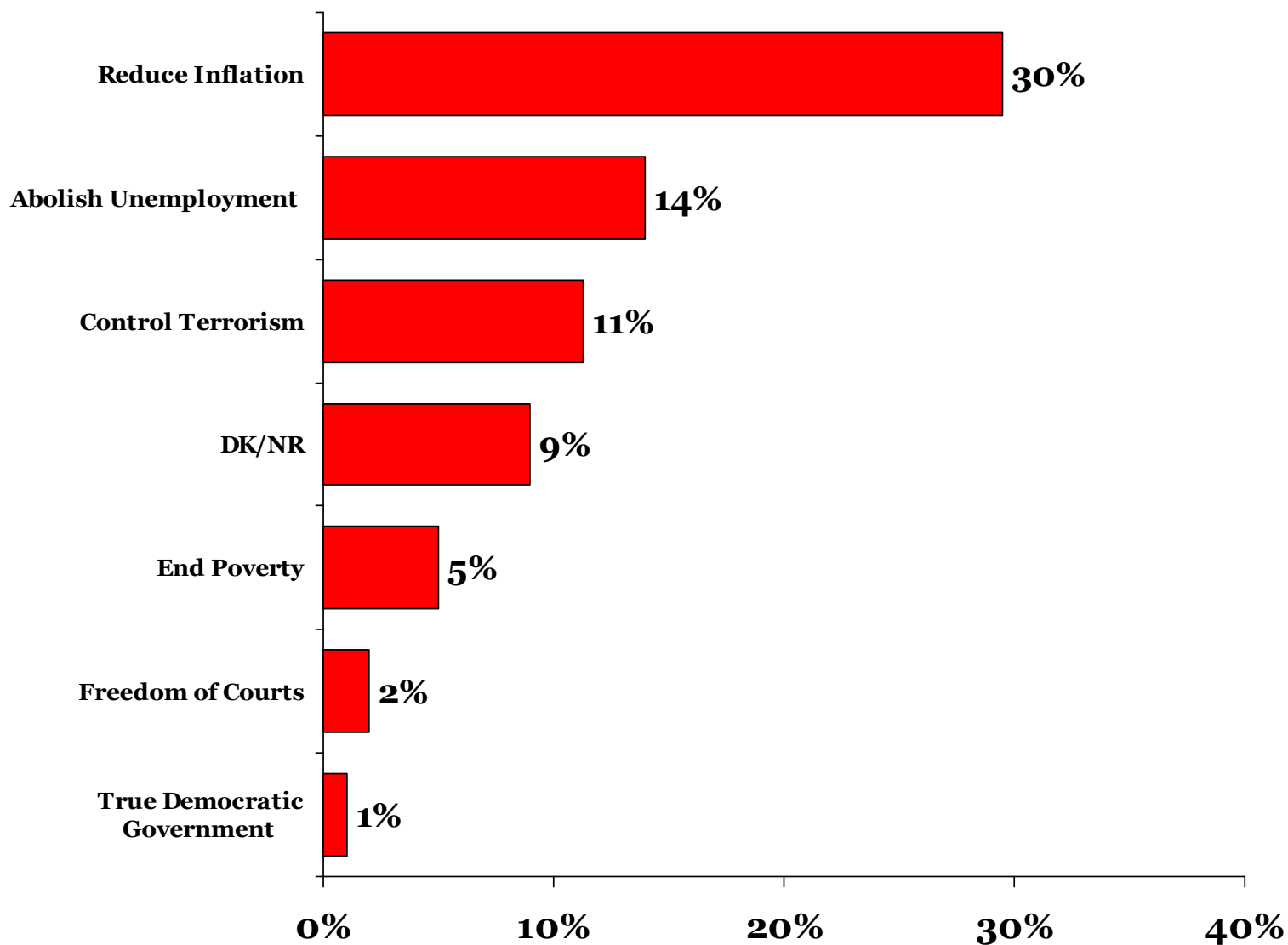


If the elections for national assembly were held next week, for which party would you vote? BALOCHISTAN

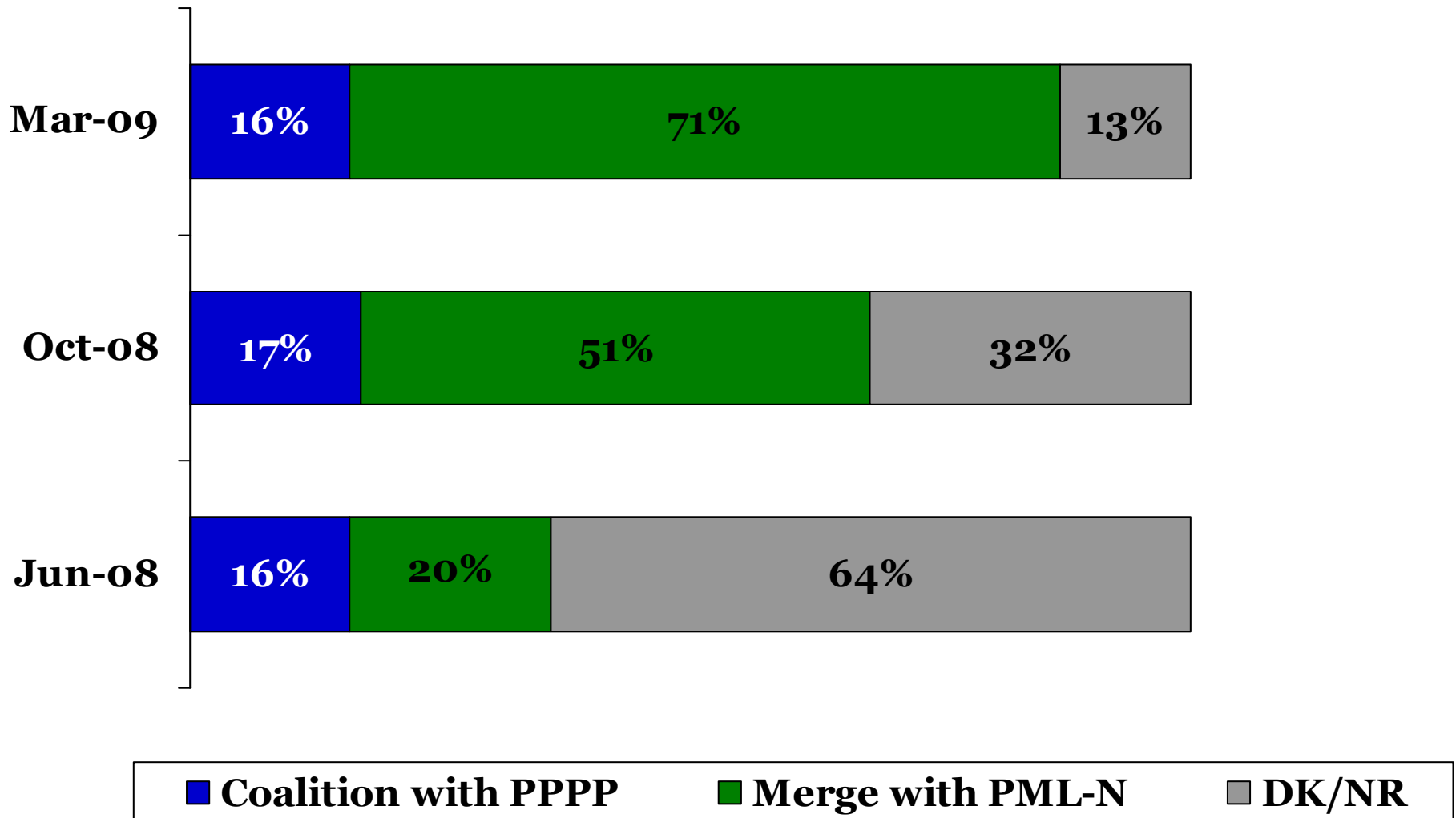




What is the one thing the PPP government could do that would convince you to vote for them?



Should PML-Q form a coalition with PPPP or merge with PML-N?





If there was another parliamentary election held next week and the following were your choices, for whom would you vote?

