



Central Region of Iraq Survey of Public Opinion

September 14-20, 2011

Survey Methodology



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SURVEY METHODOLOGY

- Interviews were conducted September 14-20, 2011.
- Data collection was performed by trained employees of the International Republican Institute (IRI). The sample frame was based on the latest population estimates by the Iraq Central Organization for Statistics and Information Technology and a 2007-2008 United Nations World Food Program survey. Consultative guidance on fieldwork and analysis was provided by Pechter Polls of Princeton, New Jersey.
- Throughout this survey, the Central Region refers to the provinces of Baghdad, Wasit, Babil, Karbala and Najaf. Central Region data from previous IRI polling reflects the weighted sample of these five provinces.
- The target population Central Region is adults age 18 years and older. A stratified multi-stage sample procedure was used for interviewing. Population within provinces was broken down by districts and geography (urban/rural). Quotas were set by district and by geography within each district.
- Sample starting points were chosen within districts based by either going to the center of the mahala or to the largest mosque and dropping a pen or pencil on the ground and spinning it. The direction the pen/pencil pointed toward was the direction that the interviewing started. Every fourth dwelling on the left side of the nearest street was sampled until the quota was met. At the discretion of the enumerator, either the last birthday method or Kish table method was used for actual respondent selection within each household.

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- **A total of 1,182 interviews were completed, with a response rate of 73 percent in the region. The margin of error is plus or minus 2.85 percent overall. Quotas were set by province to allow for provincial analysis and all 1,182 interviews have been weighted proportionally by province and gender.**
- **After the data was collected, provincial results were weighted in proportion to the Central Region population. For example, Babil represents 12.9 percent of the registered voters in the Central Region; therefore the 150 interviews collected from Babil were weighted to 12.9 percent of all interviews. Similar weighting was applied to each province to ensure that data are consistent with actual registered voter estimates and previous surveys.**
- **Gender in the survey was 63 percent male and 37 percent female. Gender was weighted to reflect the estimated numbers in the Central Region: 51 percent male and 49 percent female.**
- **Verification was performed on 10 percent of the sample, either by actual observation or through follow-up interviews.**
- **Figures in charts and tables may not sum to 100 percent due to rounding error; in all cases where don't know or refuse to answer rates are more than 10 percent, the information is displayed.**
- **The information in this report has been compiled in accordance with international standards for market and social research methodologies.**

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Unweighted demographics

Age	Male	Female	Total
18-24	35%	6%	25%
25-31	30%	11%	23%
32-38	16%	14%	15%
39-52	14%	46%	25%
53+	6%	23%	12%

Gender	Percent
Male	63.3
Female	36.7

Location	Percent
City more than 1 million	9.5
City of 250,000-1 million	12.1
City of 50,000-250,000	32.3
Urban less than 50,000	16.1
Rural	30.0

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Unweighted demographics

Ethnicity	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf	Total
Arab	95%	96%	99%	94%	99%	96%
Kurd	3%	4%	1%	3%	1%	3%
Turkmen	1%	0%	0%	2%	0%	1%

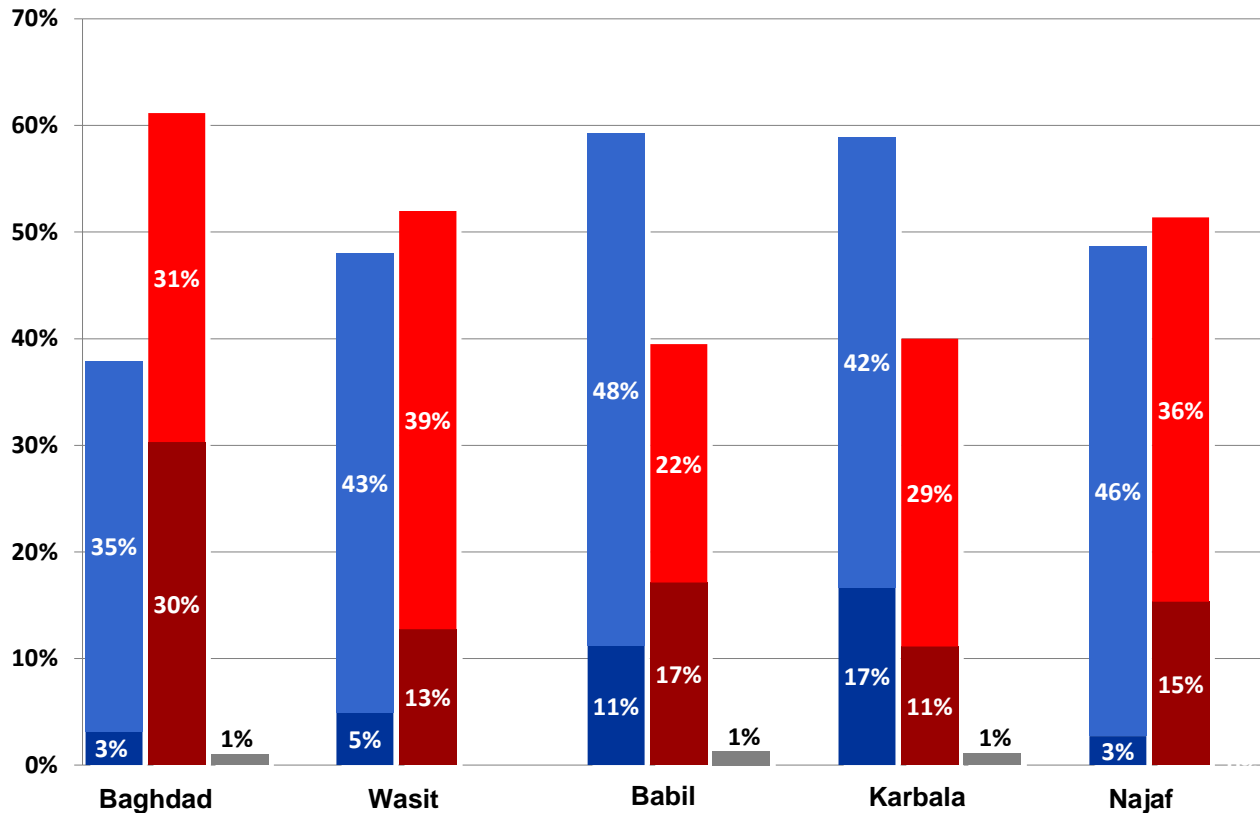
Religion	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf	Total
Sunni Muslim	22%	0%	3%	11%	2%	15%
Shia Muslim	56%	98%	94%	89%	96%	71%
Christian	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%
Other	17%	1%	1%	0%	0%	10%
Refused	5%	1%	2%	0%	2%	3%

Indicators



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How would you describe the current economic situation in Iraq: Is it very good, somewhat good, somewhat bad or very bad?

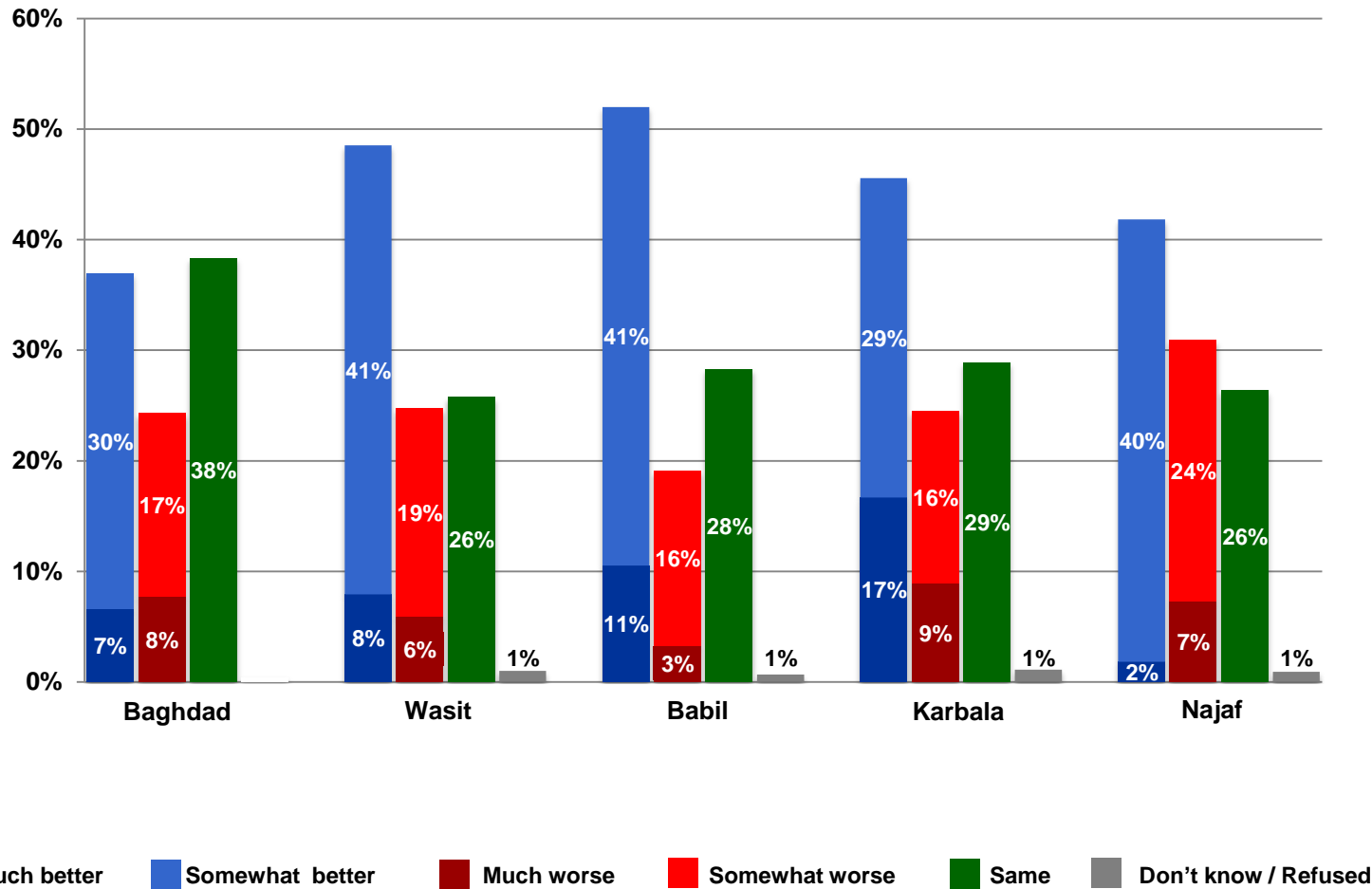


■ Very good
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 ■ Somewhat bad
 ■ Very bad
 ■ Don't know / Refused

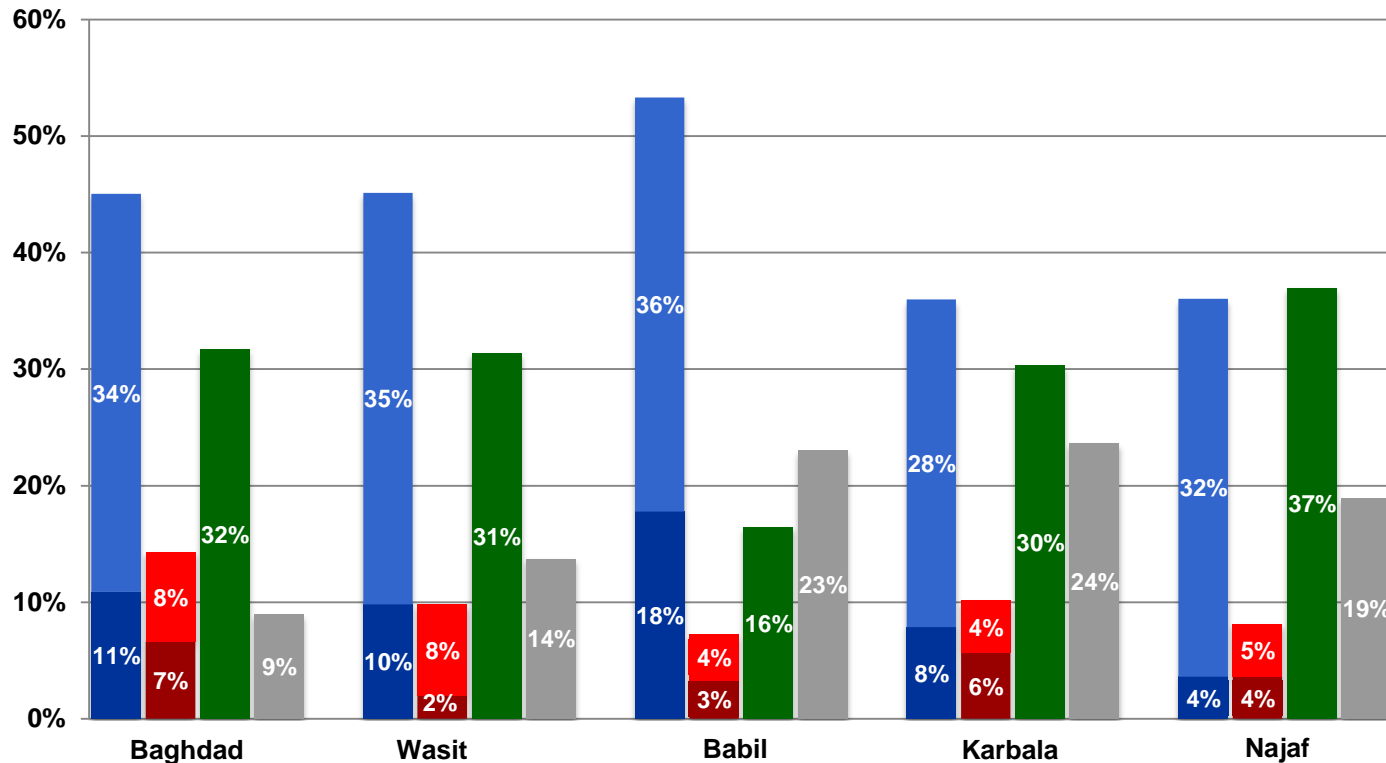
Please tell us which answer best describes your current economic situation:

	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf
I have trouble feeding myself and my family, and buying even the most essential things for survival.	17%	18%	14%	13%	13%
I have enough means for survival, but I do not have enough money for extra things.	56%	58%	47%	58%	54%
I am able to afford things like new clothes and eating at restaurants but not often.	19%	19%	26%	22%	26%
I am able to afford things like new clothes and eating out and also support other members of my family who can't.	7%	5%	12%	5%	5%
Don't know / Refused	1%	0%	1%	2%	3%

**Over the last year, has your household's financial situation:
Gotten much better, gotten somewhat better, gotten somewhat worse, gotten much worse or stayed the same?**



Thinking ahead to next year, do you expect your household's financial situation to: Get much better, get somewhat better, get somewhat worse, get much worse or stay the same?

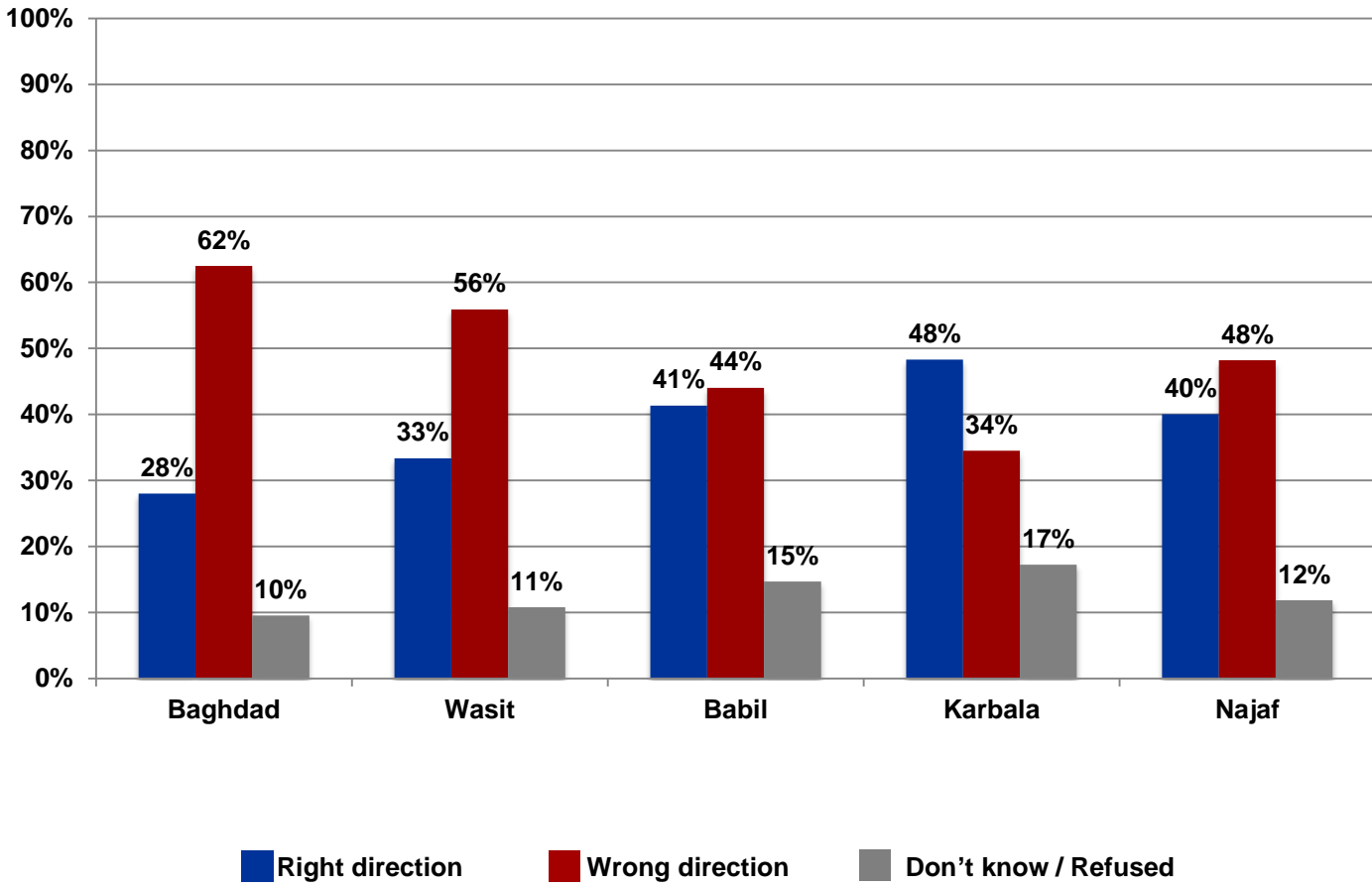


■ Much better
 ■ Somewhat better
 ■ Much worse
 ■ Somewhat worse
 ■ Same
 ■ Don't know / Refused

Please tell me if that individual's opinion has a strong influence, some influence or has no influence on you and your opinion on current events and politics.

	Strong influence	Some influence	No influence	Don't know / Refused
Religious leader	42%	29%	27%	2%
Tribal leader	35%	31%	32%	2%
Union leader	3%	11%	70%	16%
Political party leader	9%	16%	64%	12%
Head of household	78%	11%	8%	3%
Government official	10%	20%	61%	10%

**Now thinking about how things are going, not for you personally, but for Iraq as a whole, how would you say things are going overall these days?
Are they going in the right direction or the wrong direction?**



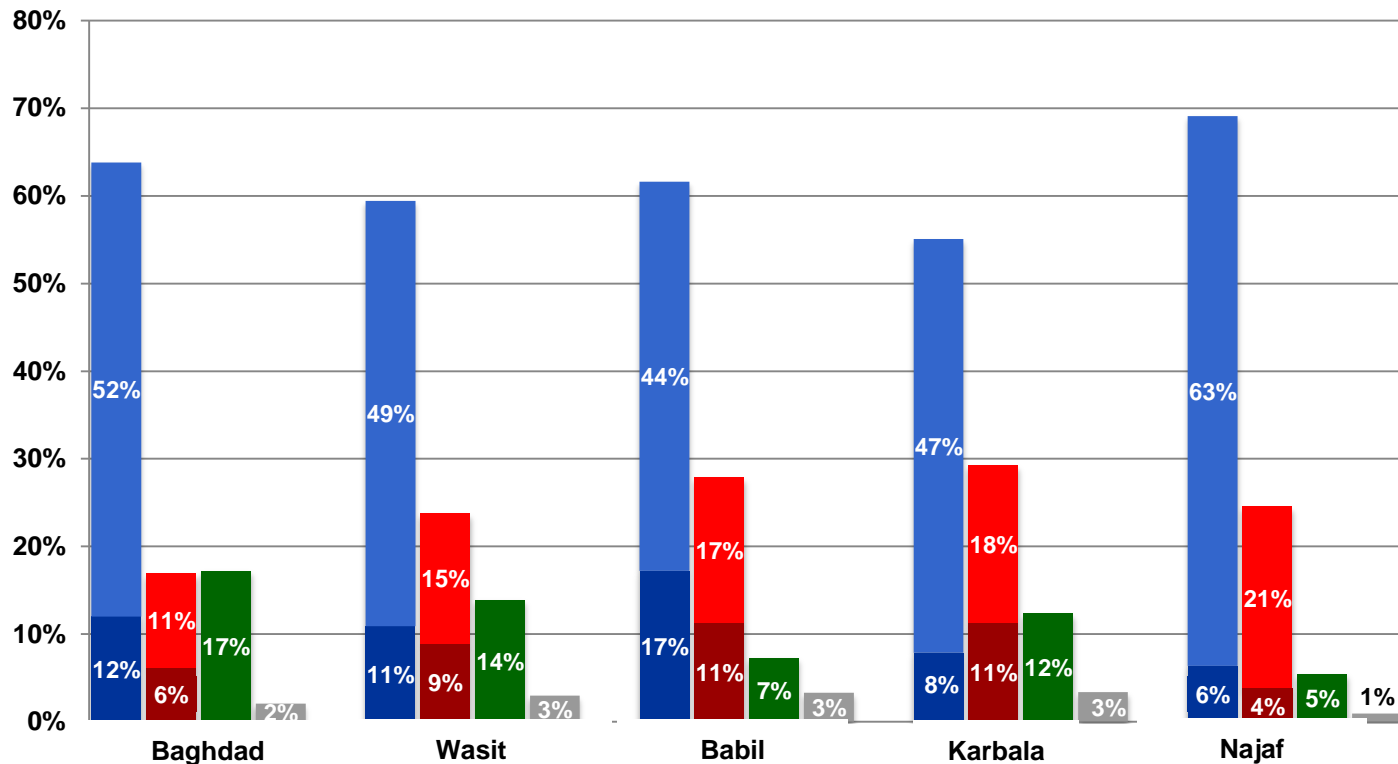
**Now thinking about how things are going, not for you personally, but for Iraq as a whole, how would you say things are going overall these days?
Are they going in the right direction or the wrong direction?**

		Right direction	Wrong direction	Don't know / Refused
Baghdad	June 2010	41%	53%	0%
	October 2010	30%	62%	1%
	September 2011	28%	62%	10%
Wasit	June 2010	48%	52%	0%
	October 2010	28%	70%	0%
	September 2011	33%	56%	11%
Babil	June 2010	48%	53%	0%
	October 2010	58%	32%	1%
	September 2011	41%	44%	15%
Karbala	June 2010	53%	47%	0%
	October 2010	70%	24%	2%
	September 2011	48%	34%	17%
Najaf	June 2010	53%	47%	0%
	October 2010	50%	38%	1%
	September 2011	40%	48%	12%

Not personally, but in terms of the country as a whole, what in your opinion is the single biggest problem facing the country as a whole?

	First biggest problem	Second biggest problem
Water and electricity	39%	17%
Security	22%	17%
Unemployment	12%	22%
Government corruption	13%	11%
Living standards	6%	12%
Paving roads	2%	5%
Wages and salaries	2%	4%
Education	1%	4%
Health care	0%	3%
Sewage system	1%	2%
Waste management	1%	2%
Don't know / Refused	0%	1%

**Over the last year, would you say that security in Iraq has:
 Gotten much better, gotten somewhat better, gotten somewhat worse, gotten much worse or stayed the same?**



■ Much better
 ■ Somewhat better
 ■ Much worse
 ■ Somewhat worse
 ■ Same
 ■ Don't know / Refused

Over the last year, would you say the security in Iraq has: Gotten much better, gotten somewhat better, gotten somewhat worse, gotten much worse or stayed the same?

		Total of much better and somewhat better	Total of much worse and somewhat worse	Stayed the same	Don't know / Refused
Baghdad	June 2010	77%	22%	0%	1%
	October 2010	63%	21%	17%	0%
	September 2011	64%	17%	17%	2%
Wasit	June 2010	56%	43%	1%	1%
	October 2010	51%	37%	13%	0%
	September 2011	51%	24%	14%	3%
Babil	June 2010	77%	18%	1%	4%
	October 2010	77%	14%	9%	1%
	Septemebr 2011	61%	28%	7%	3%
Karbala	June 2010	83%	17%	0%	0%
	October 2010	84%	4%	11%	0%
	September 2011	55%	29%	12%	3%
Najaf	June 2010	90%	10%	0%	1%
	October 2010	80%	8%	11%	0%
	September 2011	69%	25%	5%	1%

I am going to read you the names of some people, would you tell me the political party/coalition they are associated with or if you have not heard of them?

	Correct identification	Incorrect identification	Refused	Don't know
Nouri Al-Maliki	91%	4%	1%	3%
Moqtada al Sadr	87%	7%	2%	5%
Ayad Allawi	84%	9%	1%	5%
Ammar al Hakim	80%	10%	2%	8%
Jalal Talabani	74%	14%	2%	10%
Massoud Barzani	64%	18%	2%	17%
Ibrahim Al-Ja'afari	59%	26%	1%	14%
Tariq Al-Hasmi	54%	24%	2%	20%
Osama Al-Nujaifi	54%	26%	1%	18%
Adel Abdel Mahdi	52%	26%	2%	19%
Barham Saleh	45%	27%	2%	25%

Can you please tell me which party you are you most likely to support?

	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf
Iraqi Dawa Party/Nouri Al-Maliki	20%	40%	28%	33%	25%
Iraqi Islamic Supreme Council/Ammar Al-Hakim	8%	15%	9%	4%	12%
Iraqi National Accord/Ayad Allawi	16%	14%	23%	3%	9%
National Reform Current/Ibrahim Al-Ja'afari	2%	7%	9%	4%	11%
Iraqi Virtue Party/Hashim Al-Hashmi	0%	1%	0%	1%	4%
Turkmen Front/Arshad al-Salihi	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Sadrist Current/Muqtada Al-Sader	12%	19%	13%	16%	26%
Iraqi Islamic Party/Iyad Al-Samrai	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%
Tajdeed/Tariq Al-Hashmi	2%	0%	1%	0%	0%
Iraqi Constitutional Party/Jawad Al-Bolani	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Iraqi Front for National Dialogue/Salih Al-Mutlaq	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Iraqiyouon Gathering/Usama al-Nujeifi	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Assyrian Democratic Movement/Yundim Kenna	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%
Iraqi Dawa Party-Iraq Organization/Hashim al-Mosawi	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%

National Issues



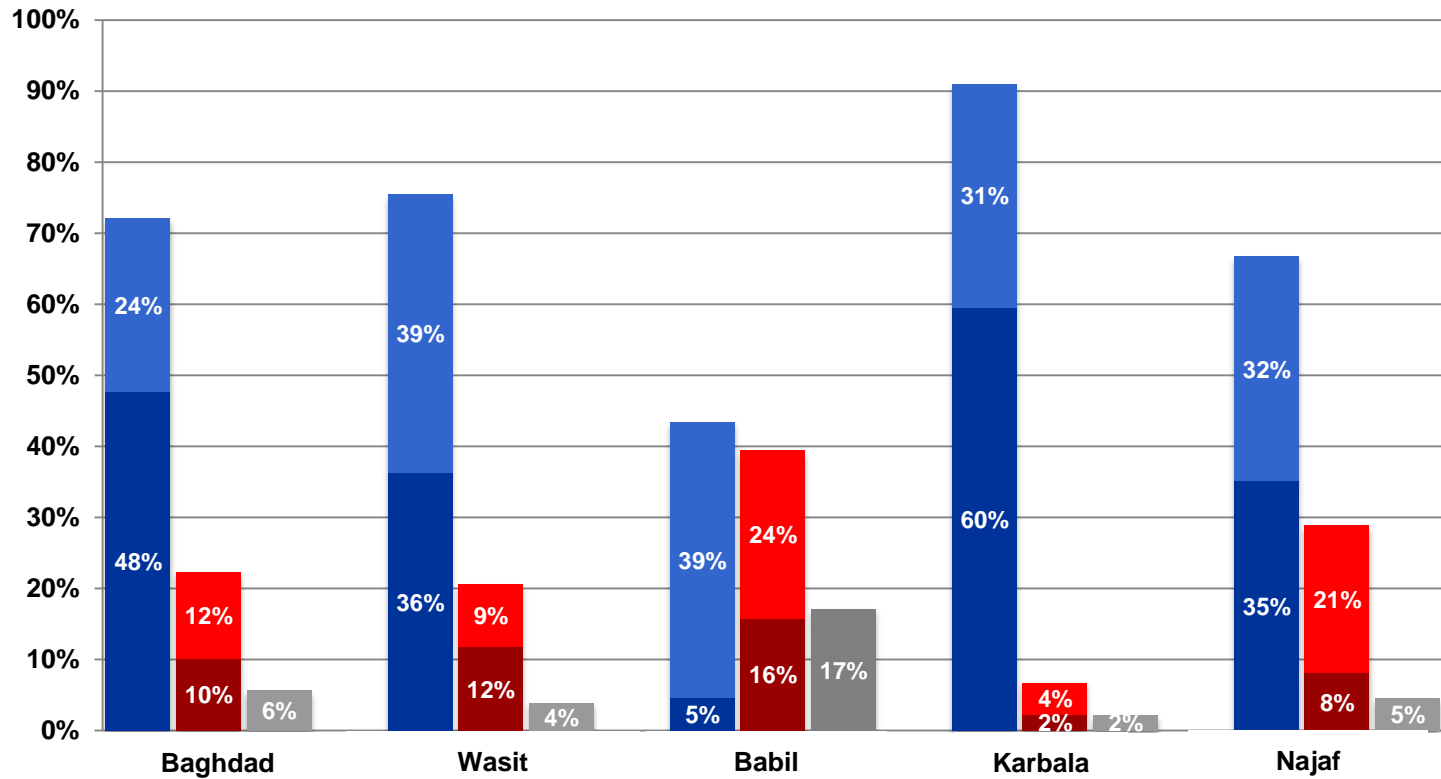
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Now I am going to read a list of issues and for each one please tell me whether you feel that the situation has: Gotten better, gotten worse, or stayed the same over the last year.

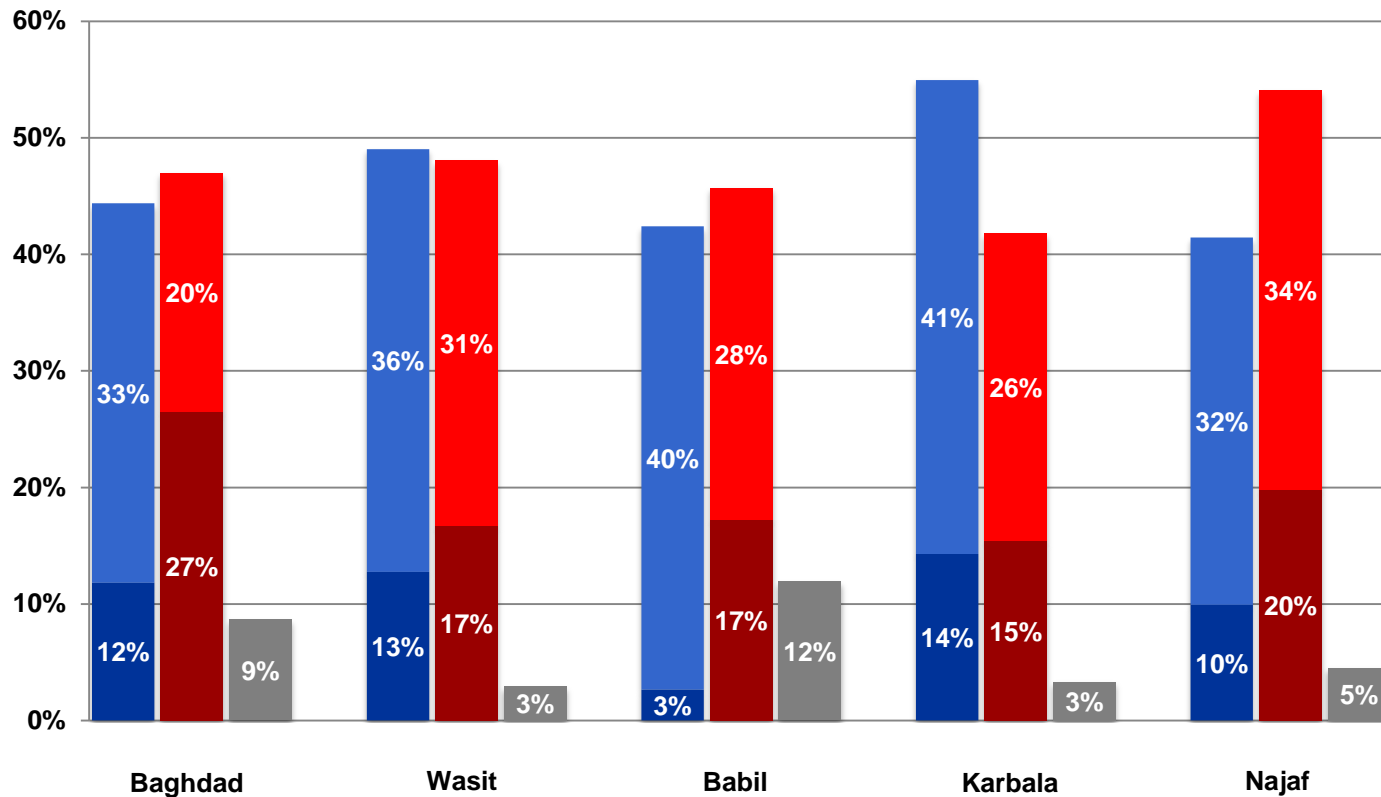
	Much better	Somewhat better	Same	Somewhat worse	Much worse	Don't know
Electricity	2%	19%	29%	21%	29%	0%
Unemployment	0%	5%	34%	21%	38%	1%
Government corruption	1%	6%	22%	23%	44%	4%
Wages and salaries	4%	28%	43%	11%	8%	5%
Services like water, sewage, etc.	3%	26%	28%	16%	26%	1%
Health care	7%	34%	27%	14%	16%	2%
Education	7%	29%	27%	13%	20%	4%

I am now going to read you a statement. Please tell me if you agree or disagree. Most of Iraq's oil revenues should go to the central government, not to the provinces. Do you agree strongly, agree somewhat, disagree somewhat or disagree strongly with this statement?



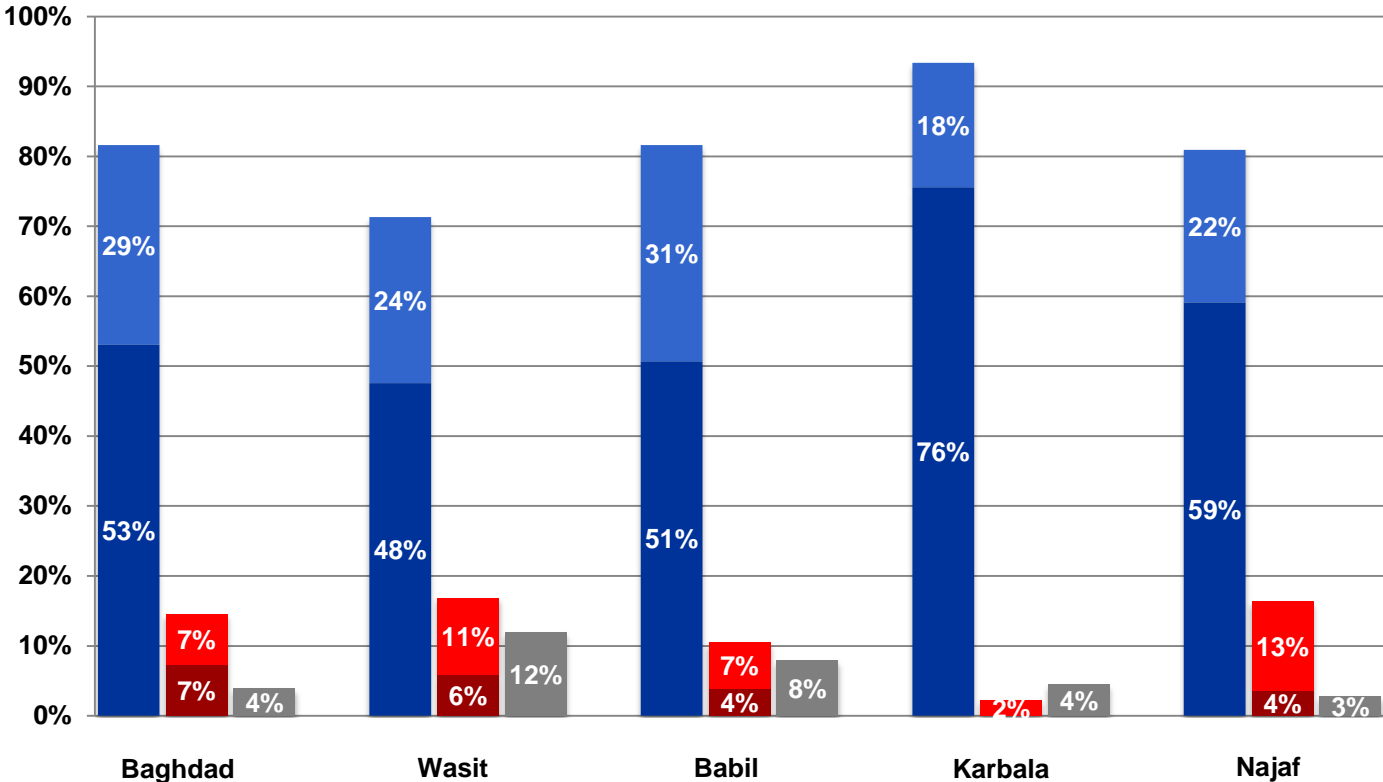
■ Strongly agree
 ■ Somewhat agree
 ■ Somewhat disagree
 ■ Strongly disagree
 ■ Don't know / Refused

How satisfied are you with the manner in which the central government has managed the money from oil revenues, would you say you are strongly satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat unsatisfied or strongly unsatisfied?



■ Strongly satisfied
 ■ Somewhat satisfied
 ■ Somewhat unsatisfied
 ■ Strongly unsatisfied
 ■ Don't know / Refused

Thinking about the protests that have occurred across the Arab world demanding greater democracy and government responsiveness, do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree with these protests?



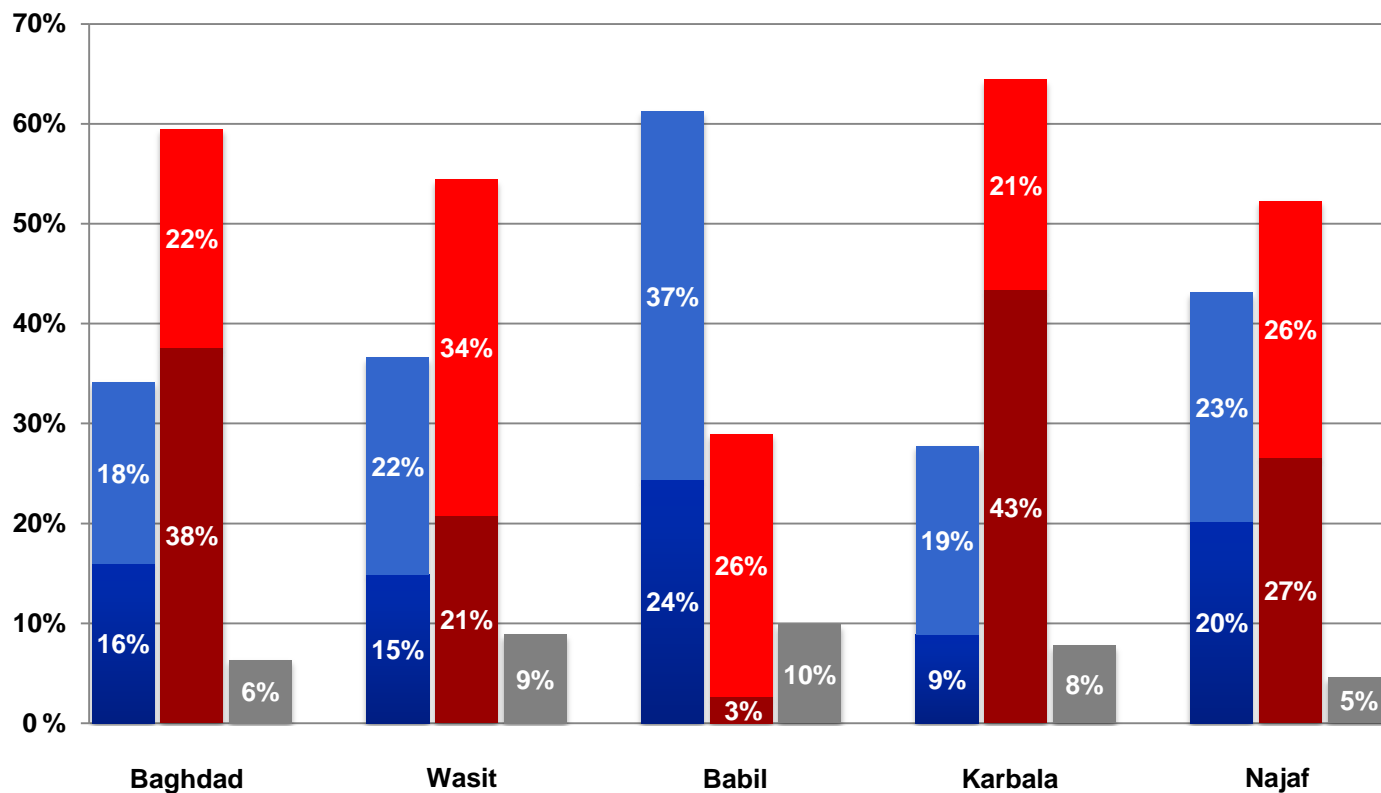
■ Strongly agree
 ■ Somewhat agree
 ■ Somewhat disagree
 ■ Strongly disagree
 ■ Don't know / Refused

In your opinion, what should oil revenues be used for in Iraq?

(First choice)

	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf	Total
Basic services such as water and electricity	46%	62%	64%	60%	41%	46%
Improve security	23%	16%	11%	25%	31%	23%
Creating jobs	20%	12%	18%	11%	22%	20%
Education	6%	2%	1%	1%	5%	6%
Health care	4%	2%	1%	0%	1%	4%
Road construction	1%	3%	1%	1%	2%	1%
Other	1%	2%	1%	1%	0%	1%
Don't know	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%
Refused	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%

Would you prefer that the provincial councils or the federal government were stronger?



■ Strongly prefer provincial
 ■ Somewhat prefer provincial
 ■ Somewhat prefer federal
 ■ Strongly prefer federal
 ■ Don't know / Refused

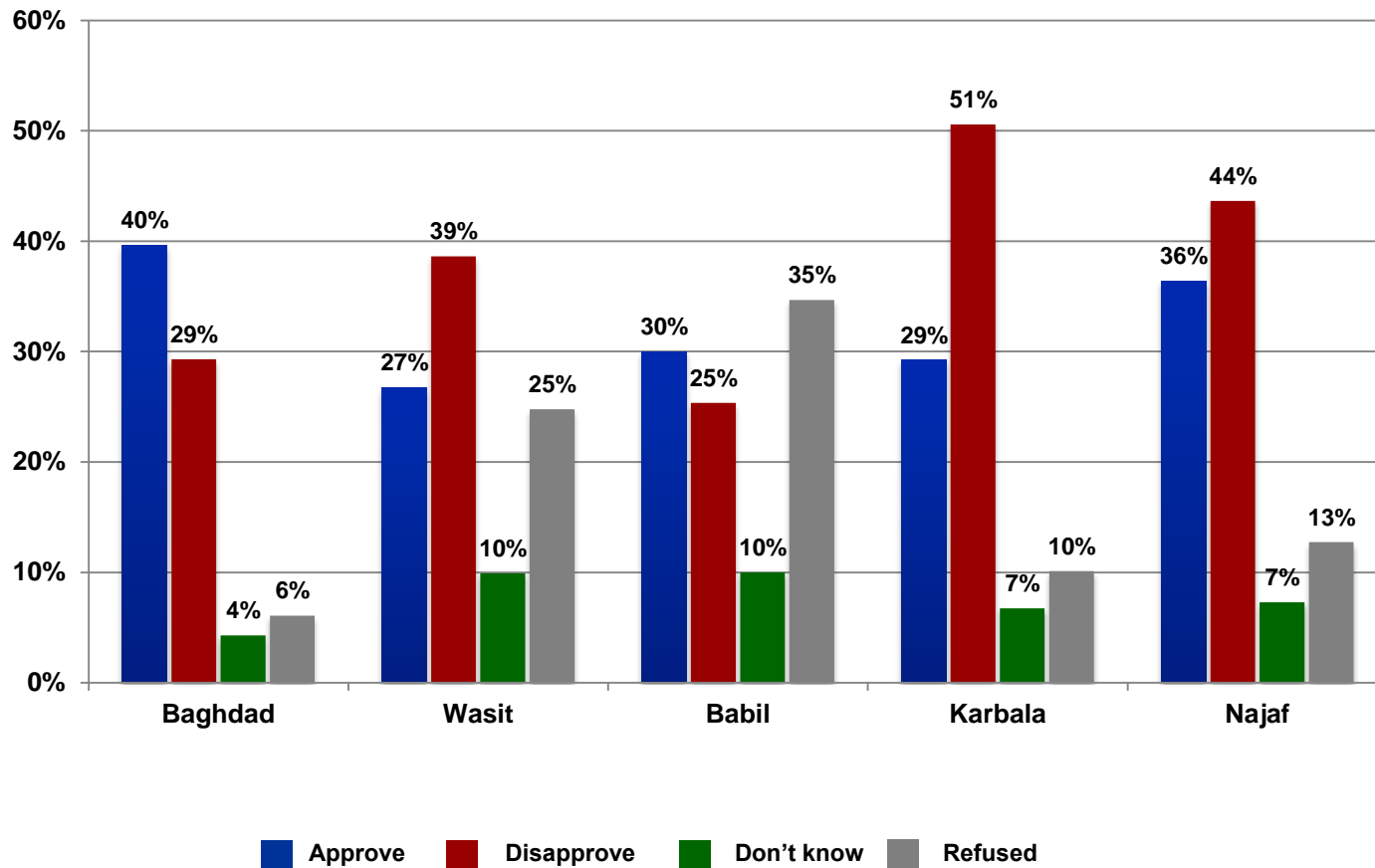
Would you prefer that the provincial councils or the federal government were stronger?

	June 2010	October 2010	September 2011
Strongly prefer provincial	10%	12%	17%
Somewhat prefer provincial	9%	10%	21%
Somewhat prefer federal	23%	22%	24%
Strongly prefer federal	53%	51%	31%
Don't know / Refused	6%	5%	7%

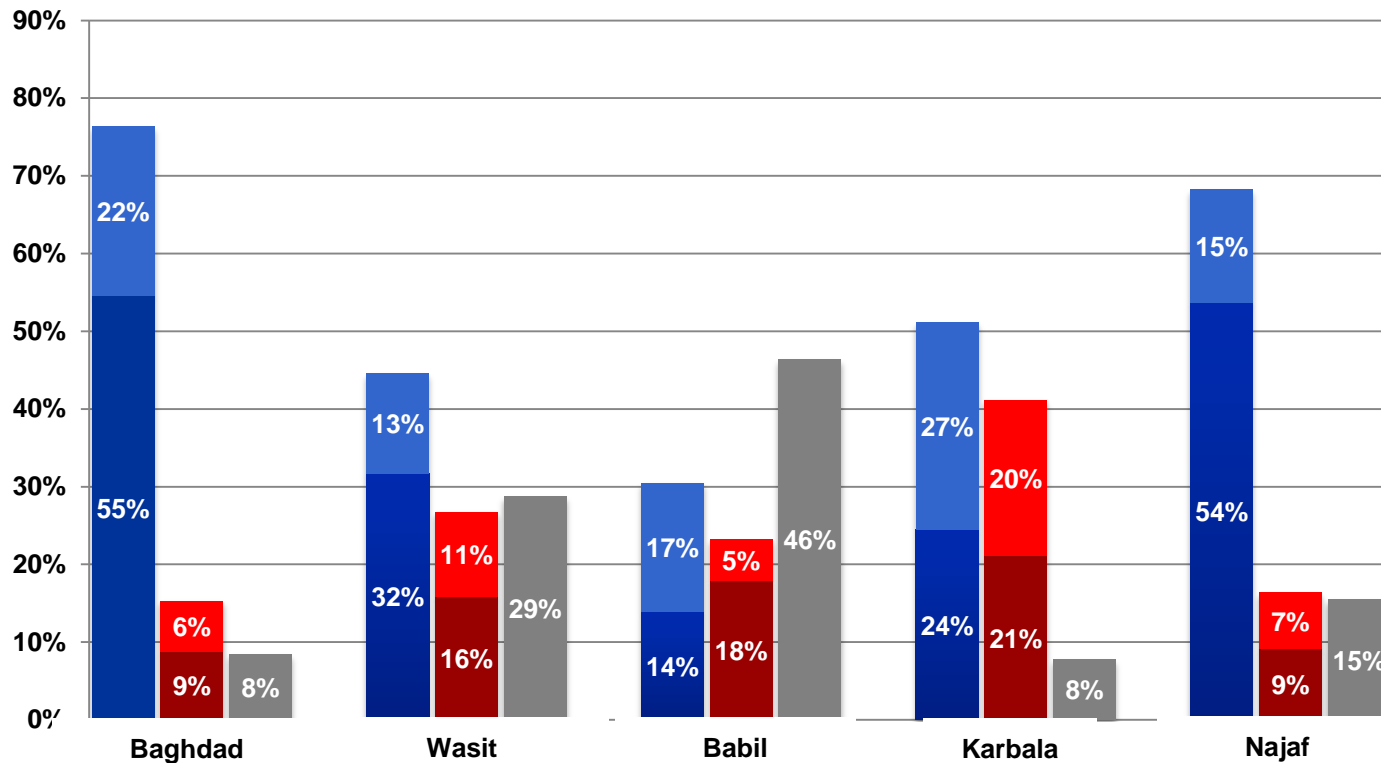
Would you prefer that the provincial councils or the federal government were stronger?

		Total of strongly and somewhat prefer provincial government	Total of strongly and somewhat prefer federal government	Don't know / Refused
Baghdad	June 2010	15%	82%	5%
	October 2010	16%	79%	5%
	September 2011	34%	60%	6%
Wasit	June 2010	20%	55%	26%
	October 2010	35%	56%	10%
	September 2011	37%	55%	9%
Babil	June 2010	35%	61%	5%
	October 2010	32%	61%	7%
	September 2011	61%	29%	10%
Karbala	June 2010	17%	83%	0%
	October 2010	13%	88%	0%
	September 2011	28%	64%	8%
Najaf	June 2010	21%	71%	7%
	October 2010	39%	55%	6%
	September 2011	43%	53%	5%

As you may already know, in a secular government, the government's decisions on public policy and laws are made without any consideration to religion. Some people refer to this as the separation of religion and state, it does not mean that the government is atheist. Considering this definition of secularism, in general would you approve or disapprove of the government of Iraq being secular?

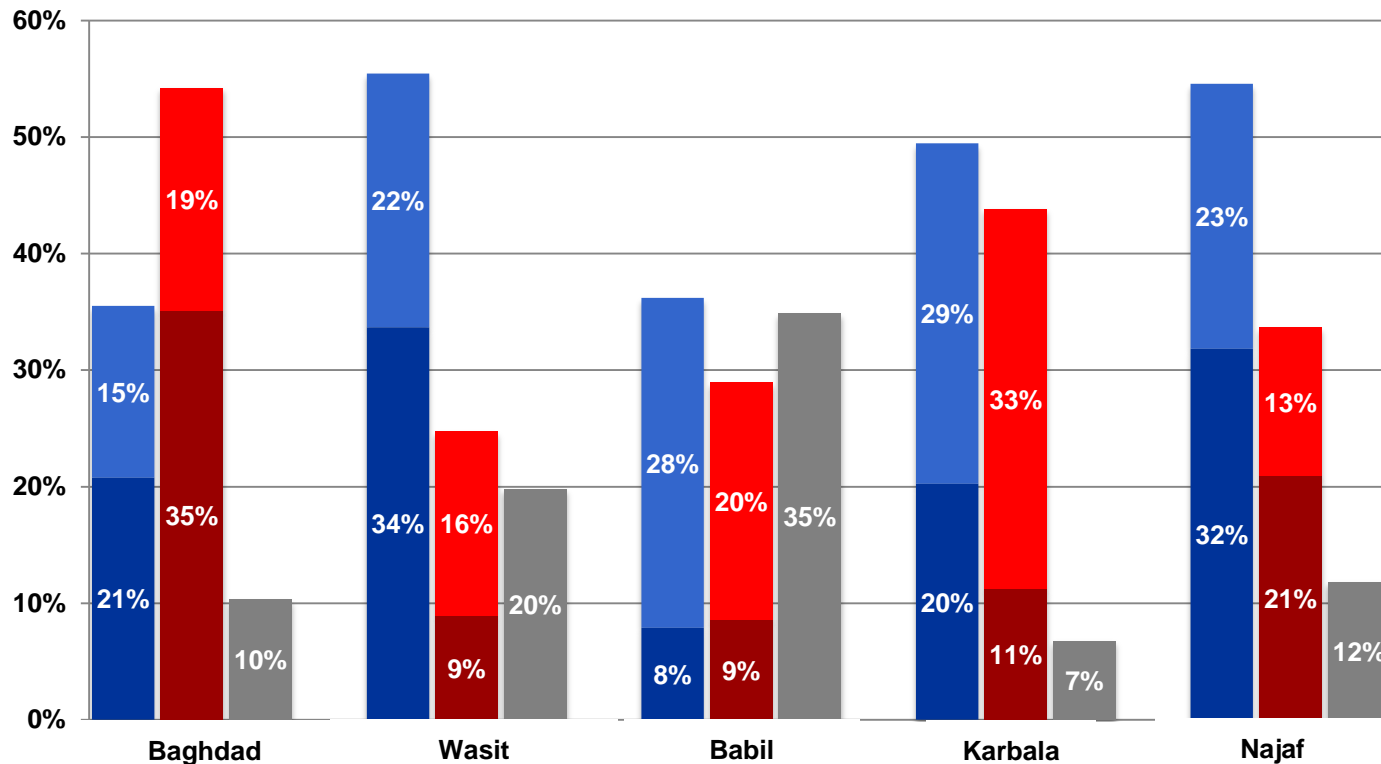


How important is it you personally that Iraq have a government that is secular or not secular?



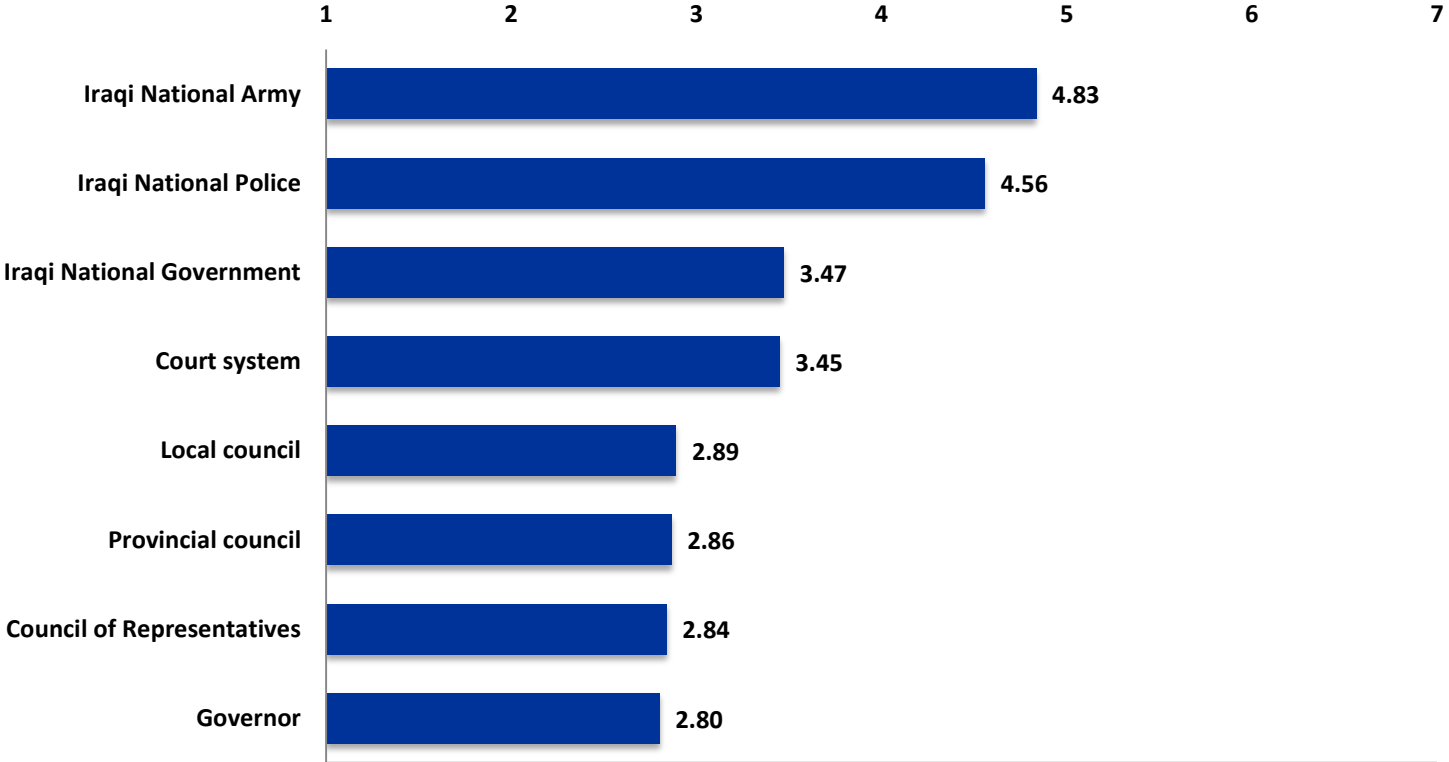
■ Very important
 ■ Somewhat important
 ■ Not very important
 ■ Not important at all
 ■ Don't know / Refused

Thinking of Iraq's political life, would you prefer that politics be based on religion or on secularism?

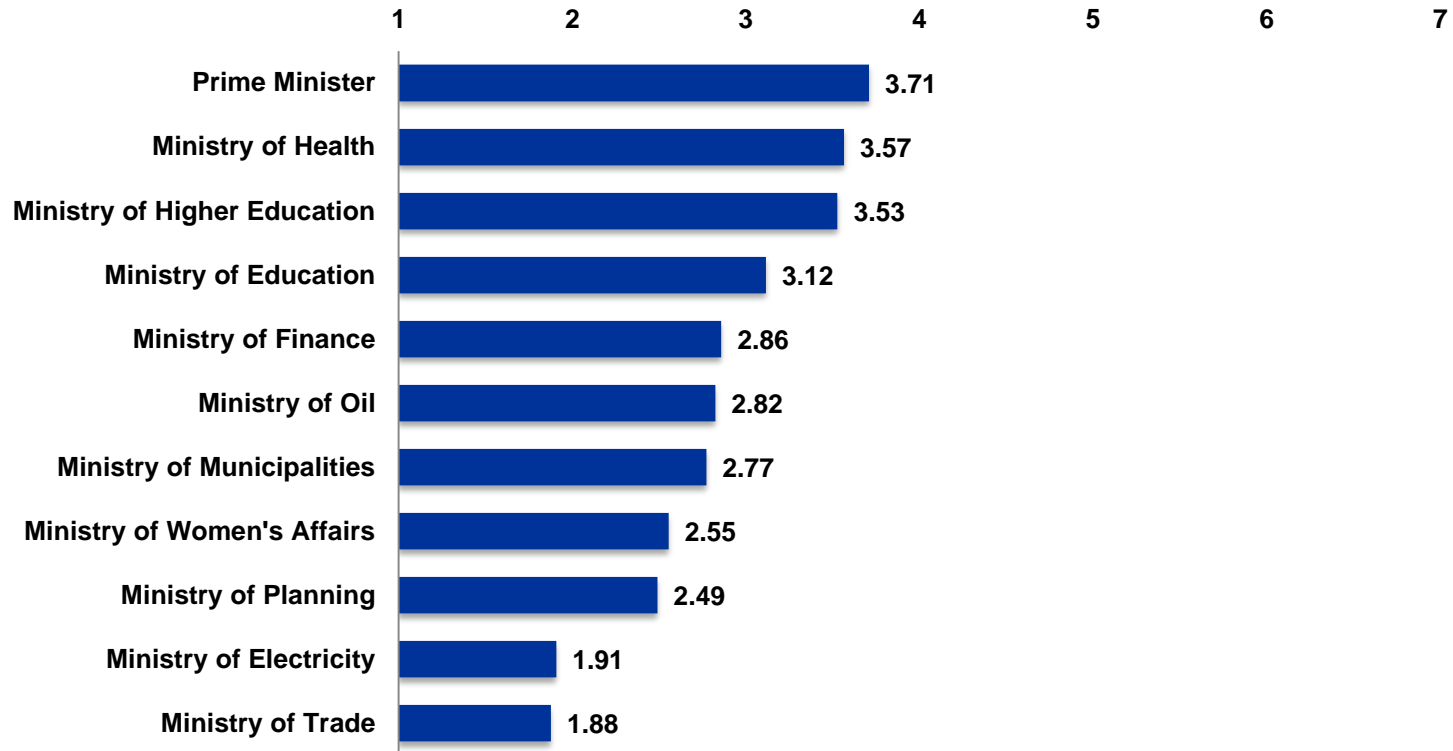


■ Strongly on religion
 ■ Somewhat on religion
 ■ Somewhat on secularism
 ■ Strongly on secularism
 ■ Don't know / Refused

I would like to ask you about your approval of performance for the following government entities. On a one to seven scale, with seven being the best and one being the worst, how would you rank the following government entities?



I would like to ask you about your impressions on performance of the following ministries. On a one to seven scale, with seven being the best and one being the worst, how would you rank the following ministries?



I am going to read you a list of issues. Please tell me for each one whether you it is a significant problem, somewhat of a problem, not really a problem or not a problem at all. How much of a problem is nepotism?

	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf
Significant problem	75%	75%	73%	88%	80%
Somewhat of a problem	15%	15%	17%	8%	15%
Not really a problem	4%	4%	5%	3%	3%
Not a problem at all	3%	4%	0%	0%	0%
Refused	1%	2%	0%	1%	0%
Don't know	3%	0%	5%	0%	2%

How much of a problem is political parties placing workers in government positions?

	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf
Significant problem	70%	57%	50%	87%	74%
Somewhat of a problem	18%	25%	37%	11%	22%
Not really a problem	6%	11%	7%	1%	2%
Not a problem at all	4%	6%	1%	0%	2%
Refused	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%
Don't know	2%	0%	3%	0%	0%

How much of a problem is a wrong person in the wrong position?

	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf
Significant problem	79%	82%	78%	90%	73%
Somewhat of a problem	11%	10%	13%	9%	24%
Not really a problem	3%	4%	1%	1%	3%
Not a problem at all	3%	1%	2%	0%	1%
Refused	1%	3%	0%	0%	0%
Don't know	3%	0%	5%	0%	0%

How much of a problem is no accountability in government ?

	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf
Significant problem	81%	76%	63%	89%	69%
Somewhat of a problem	14%	22%	22%	8%	28%
Not really a problem	2%	1%	5%	1%	1%
Not a problem at all	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%
Refused	0%	1%	3%	1%	1%
Don't know	2%	0%	8%	0%	1%

How much of a problem is not implementing the law?

	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf
Significant problem	86%	81%	71%	90%	81%
Somewhat of a problem	9%	14%	19%	7%	18%
Not really a problem	4%	3%	4%	1%	0%
Not a problem at all	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%
Refused	0%	1%	3%	1%	0%
Don't know	1%	1%	3%	0%	1%

How much of a problem are bribes and kick-backs?

	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf
Significant problem	87%	90%	77%	89%	85%
Somewhat of a problem	8%	9%	17%	8%	15%
Not really a problem	2%	1%	4%	2%	0%
Not a problem at all	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Refused	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%
Don't know	1%	0%	2%	0%	0%

How much of a problem is lack of an organized plan for ministries?

	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf
Significant problem	79%	56%	50%	86%	65%
Somewhat of a problem	15%	36%	28%	11%	31%
Not really a problem	3%	5%	9%	2%	0%
Not a problem at all	2%	0%	1%	0%	0%
Refused	0%	0%	5%	0%	1%
Don't know	2%	3%	9%	0%	4%

Thinking now about members of the Iraqi parliament who represent you and your family, would you say that representatives in the Iraqi parliament are listening to the needs of the people?

	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf
Strongly agree	4%	4%	4%	8%	4%
Somewhat agree	20%	41%	29%	26%	46%
Somewhat disagree	27%	28%	33%	29%	30%
Strongly disagree	47%	26%	30%	36%	21%
Don't know / Refused	3%	2%	4%	1%	0%

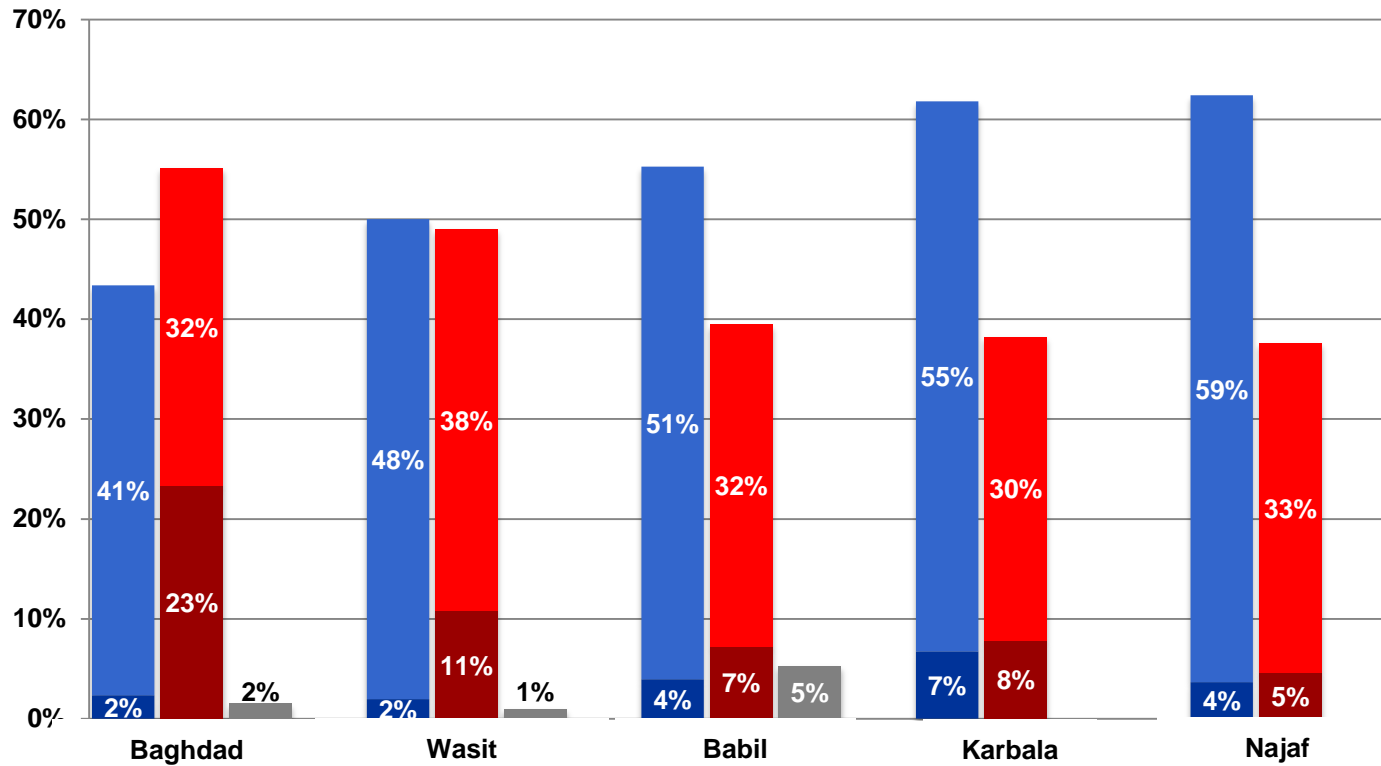
Provincial Issues



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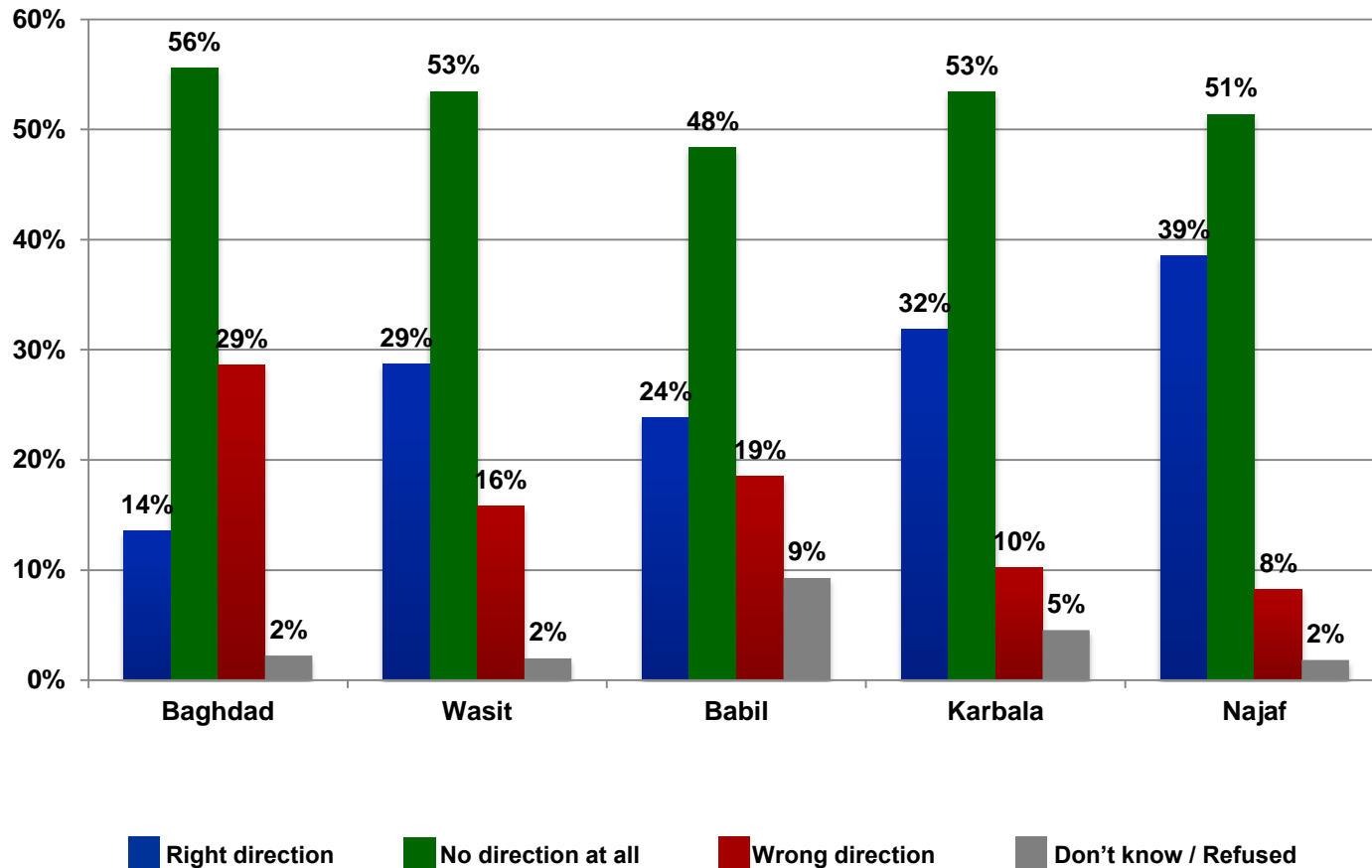
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How would you describe the current economic situation in your province: Is it very good, somewhat good, somewhat bad or very bad?

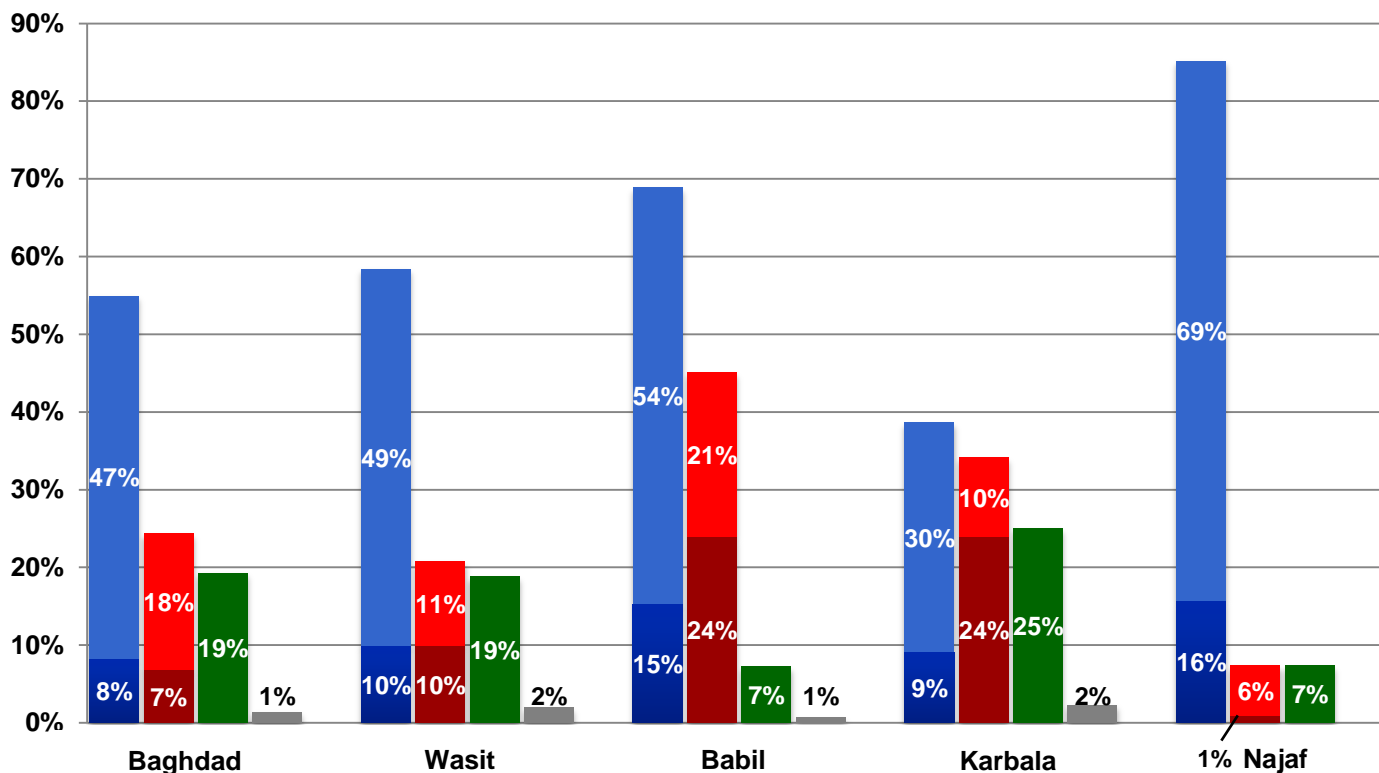


■ Very good
 ■ Somewhat good
 ■ Somewhat bad
 ■ Very bad
 ■ Don't know / Refused

Now thinking about how things are going, not for you personally, but for your province as a whole, how would you say things are going overall these days? Are they going in the right direction or the wrong direction?



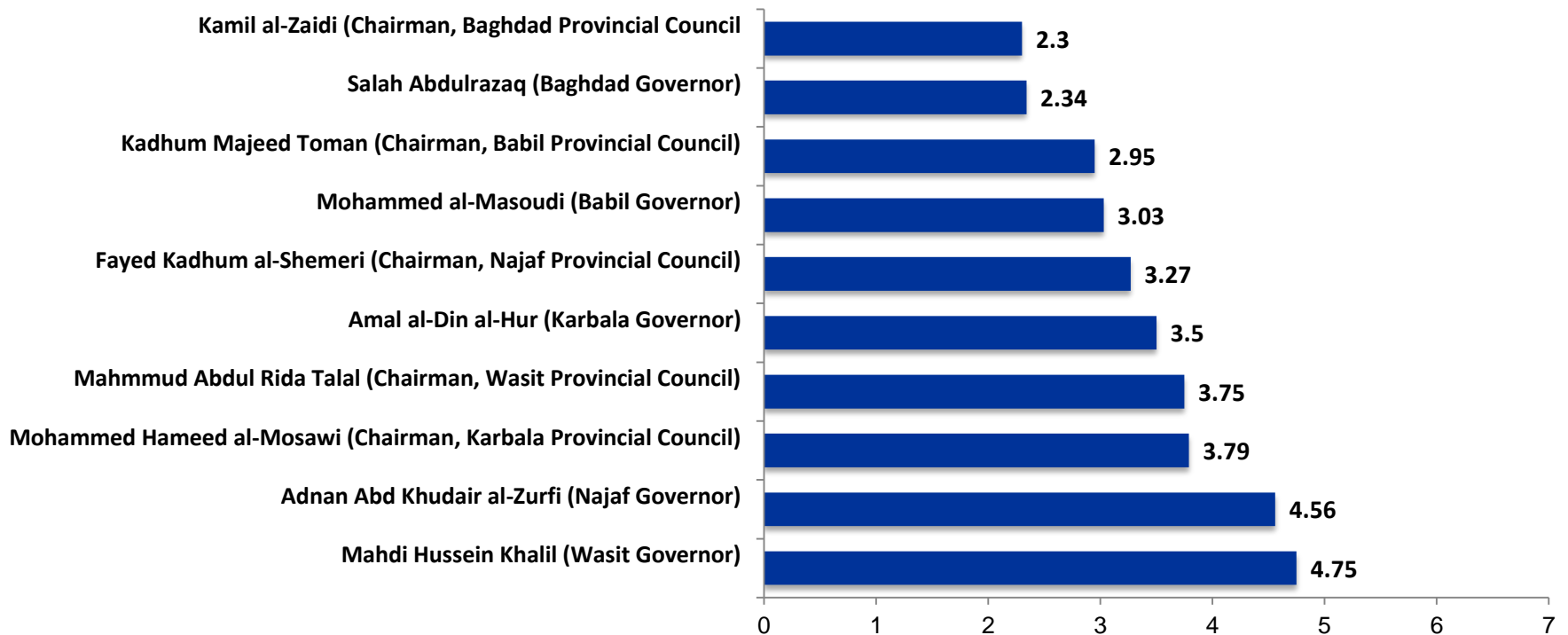
**Over the last year, would you say that security in your province has:
Gotten much better, gotten somewhat better, gotten somewhat worse,
gotten much worse or stayed the same?**



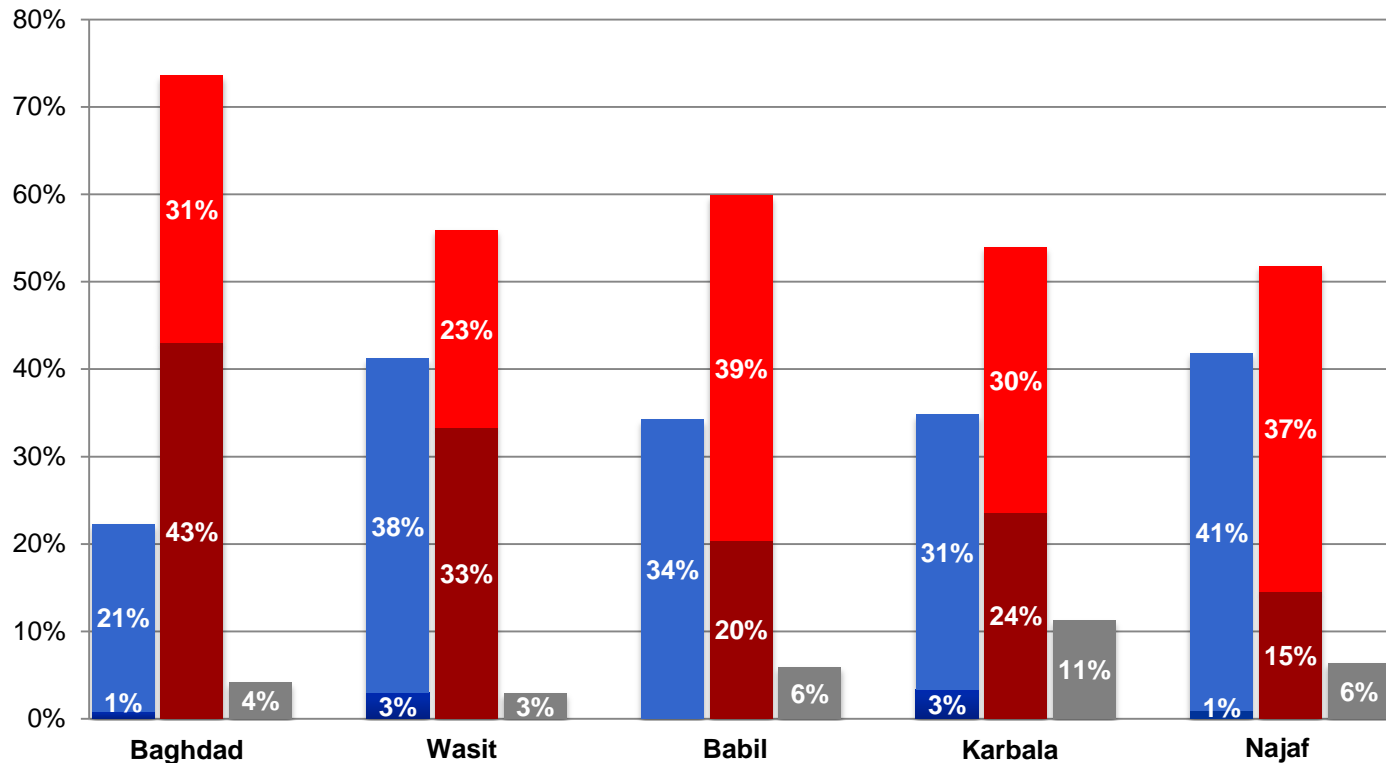
■ Much better
 ■ Somewhat better
 ■ Much worse
 ■ Somewhat worse
 ■ Same
 ■ Don't know / Refused

I would like to ask you about your impressions of the following people and the job they are doing as an elected official. On a one to seven scale, seven being the best and one being the worst, how would you rank the following elected officials?

(Respondents were only asked about officials from their provinces)

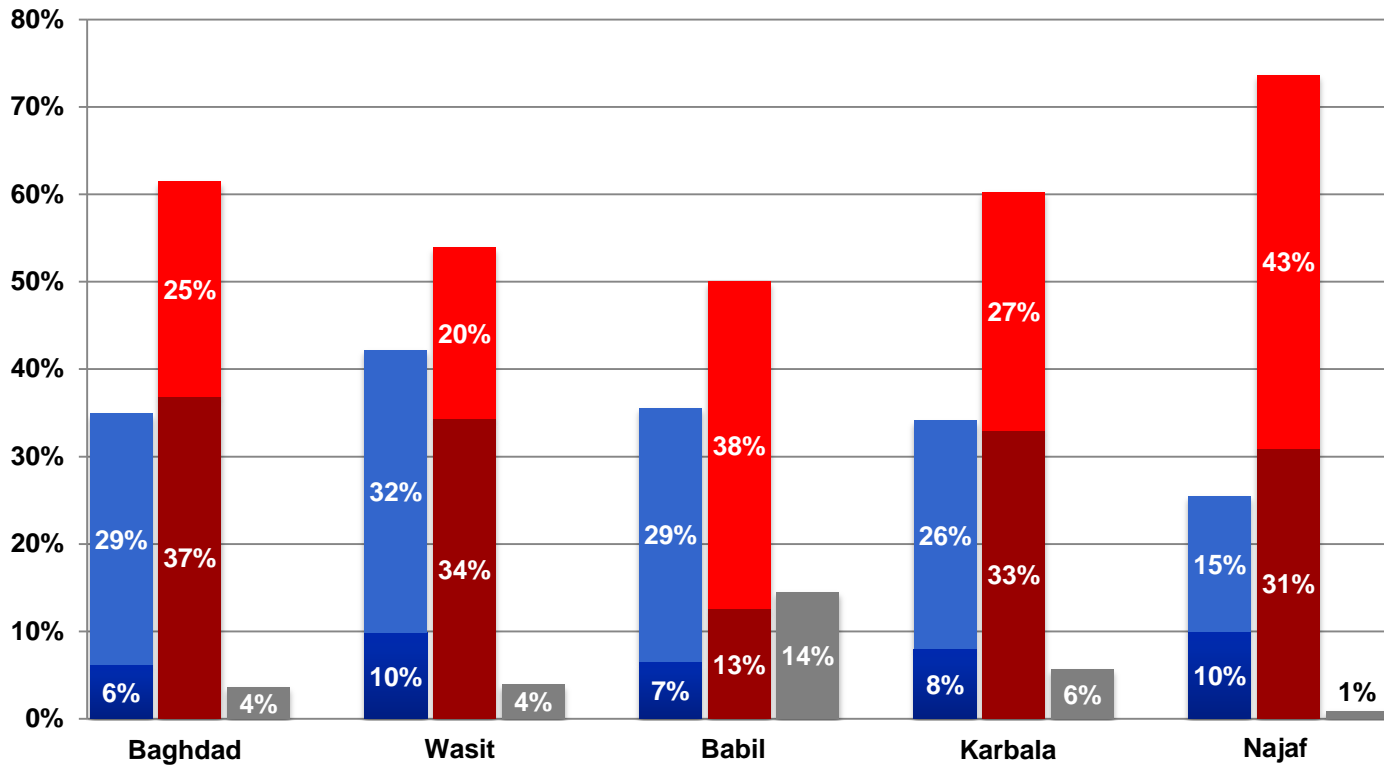


Thinking now about members of your provincial council who represent you and your family, would you say that representatives in your provincial council are listening to the needs of the people?



■ Agree strongly
 ■ Agree somewhat
 ■ Disagree somewhat
 ■ Disagree strongly
 ■ Don't know / Refused

**The provincial government is making progress in ending corruption.
Do you agree strongly, agree somewhat, disagree somewhat, or disagree strongly with this statement?**



■ Agree strongly
 ■ Agree somewhat
 ■ Disagree somewhat
 ■ Disagree strongly
 ■ Don't know / Refused

Not personally, but in terms of your province, what in your opinion is the single biggest problem facing it as a whole?

	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf
Electricity	32%	50%	49%	64%	42%
Security	19%	18%	11%	1%	11%
Government corruption	16%	5%	5%	26%	19%
Unemployment	13%	20%	20%	2%	16%
Living standards	11%	3%	2%	6%	2%
Water system	5%	2%	10%	0%	6%
Health care	2%	1%	0%	0%	1%
Wages and salaries	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%
Education	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%

Not personally, but in terms of your province, what in your opinion is the second biggest problem facing it as a whole?

	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf
Unemployment	23%	37%	24%	16%	27%
Electricity	21%	21%	21%	12%	17%
Security	16%	7%	7%	17%	8%
Living standards	13%	11%	22%	14%	12%
Government corruption	12%	4%	8%	30%	13%
Education	4%	5%	3%	2%	5%
Water system	4%	11%	7%	2%	6%
Wages and salaries	3%	2%	5%	4%	9%
Health care	3%	3%	4%	2%	5%

Who do you think is responsible for the current situation in your province with regards to these issues?

	President of Iraq	Prime Minister of Iraq	Iraq parliament	Your provincial council	Your governor	Your local council	Don't know / Refused
Electricity	6%	56%	22%	8%	3%	2%	3%
Security	4%	69%	15%	7%	3%	0%	2%
Unemployment	3%	41%	40%	10%	2%	0%	3%
Government corruption	4%	42%	34%	10%	4%	0%	4%
Wages and salaries	3%	35%	52%	5%	2%	1%	4%
Services like water, sewages, etc.	1%	20%	14%	39%	11%	13%	1%
Education	3%	47%	31%	8%	3%	1%	7%

In your opinion, how likely is it that your provincial council will improve conditions in your area in terms of basic services?

	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf
Very likely	9%	21%	16%	9%	19%
Somewhat likely	42%	51%	44%	52%	65%
Not very likely	26%	21%	22%	22%	10%
Not at all likely	21%	5%	13%	16%	2%
Don't know / Refused	2%	2%	6%	1%	4%

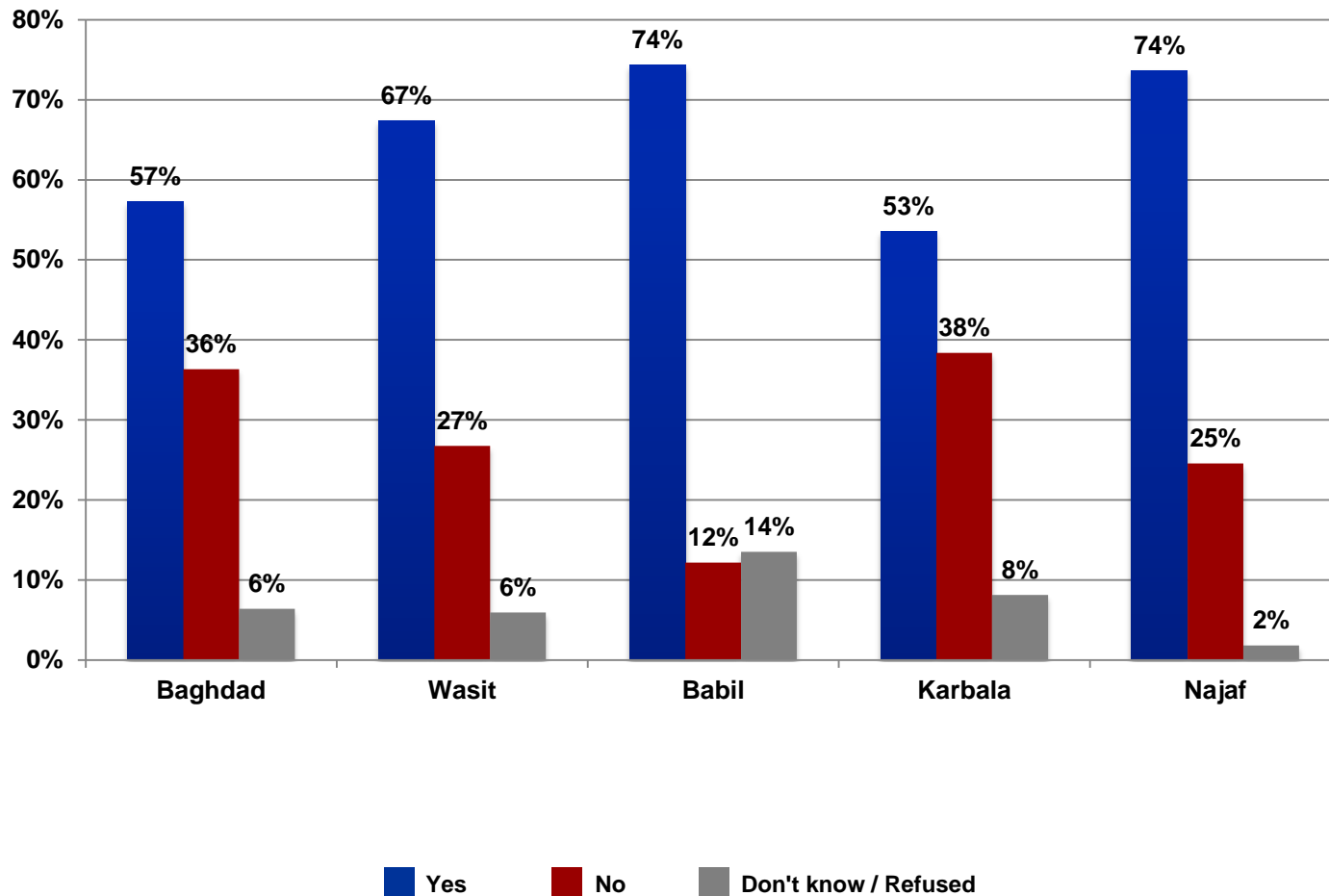
In your opinion, how likely is it that your provincial council will improve conditions in your area in terms of jobs?

	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf
Very likely	7%	9%	11%	8%	6%
Somewhat likely	25%	32%	25%	33%	22%
Not very likely	32%	36%	31%	36%	46%
Not at all likely	34%	21%	25%	22%	21%
Don't know / Refused	3%	2%	7%	1%	5%

In your opinion, how likely is it that your provincial council will improve conditions in your area in terms of security?

	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf
Very likely	13%	24%	35%	16%	32%
Somewhat likely	38%	42%	43%	44%	54%
Not very likely	20%	19%	9%	23%	5%
Not at all likely	25%	12%	8%	14%	2%
Don't know / Refused	3%	4%	6%	2%	6%

Do you agree with your provincial council handling basic services, like water, sewage, electricity, garbage collection and road maintenance, instead of the central government?



Do you somewhat agree, agree, somewhat disagree, or disagree with the following statement: The provincial council is responsive to the people’s needs.

	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf
Agree	4%	8%	4%	8%	9%
Somewhat agree	22%	40%	34%	37%	37%
Somewhat disagree	35%	25%	46%	35%	36%
Disagree	37%	28%	13%	18%	14%
Don't know / Refused	3%	0%	3%	2%	4%

Do you somewhat agree, agree, somewhat disagree, or disagree with the following statement: The provincial council is accessible to citizens.

	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf
Agree	5%	26%	6%	11%	9%
Somewhat agree	20%	35%	40%	34%	42%
Somewhat disagree	30%	19%	29%	31%	33%
Disagree	38%	19%	12%	21%	14%
Don't know / Refused	7%	2%	13%	2%	3%

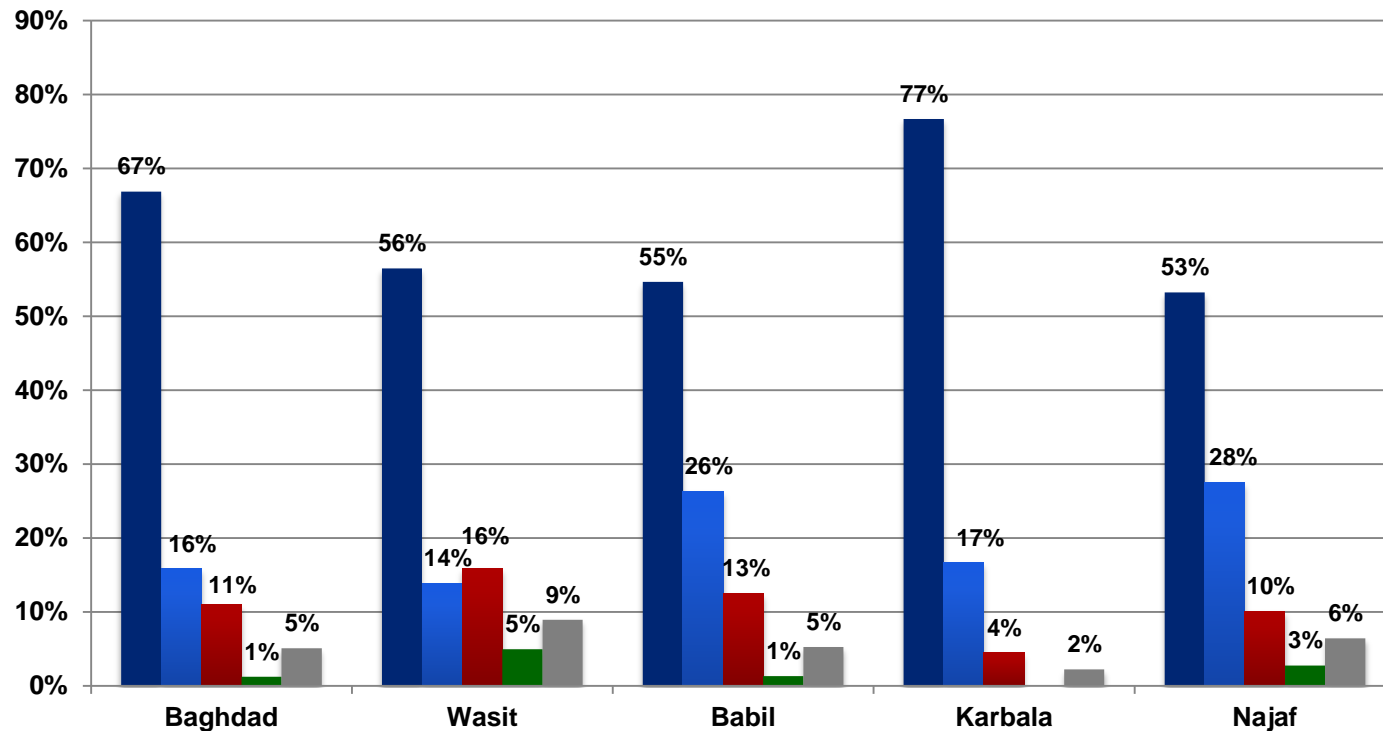
Do you somewhat agree, agree, somewhat disagree, or disagree with the following statement: The provincial council is transparent.

	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf
Agree	2%	13%	4%	10%	7%
Somewhat agree	9%	25%	14%	14%	21%
Somewhat disagree	28%	33%	26%	31%	36%
Disagree	47%	29%	19%	41%	21%
Don't know / Refused	14%	1%	37%	3%	15%

Do you somewhat agree, agree, somewhat disagree, or disagree with the following statement: The provincial council is accountable.

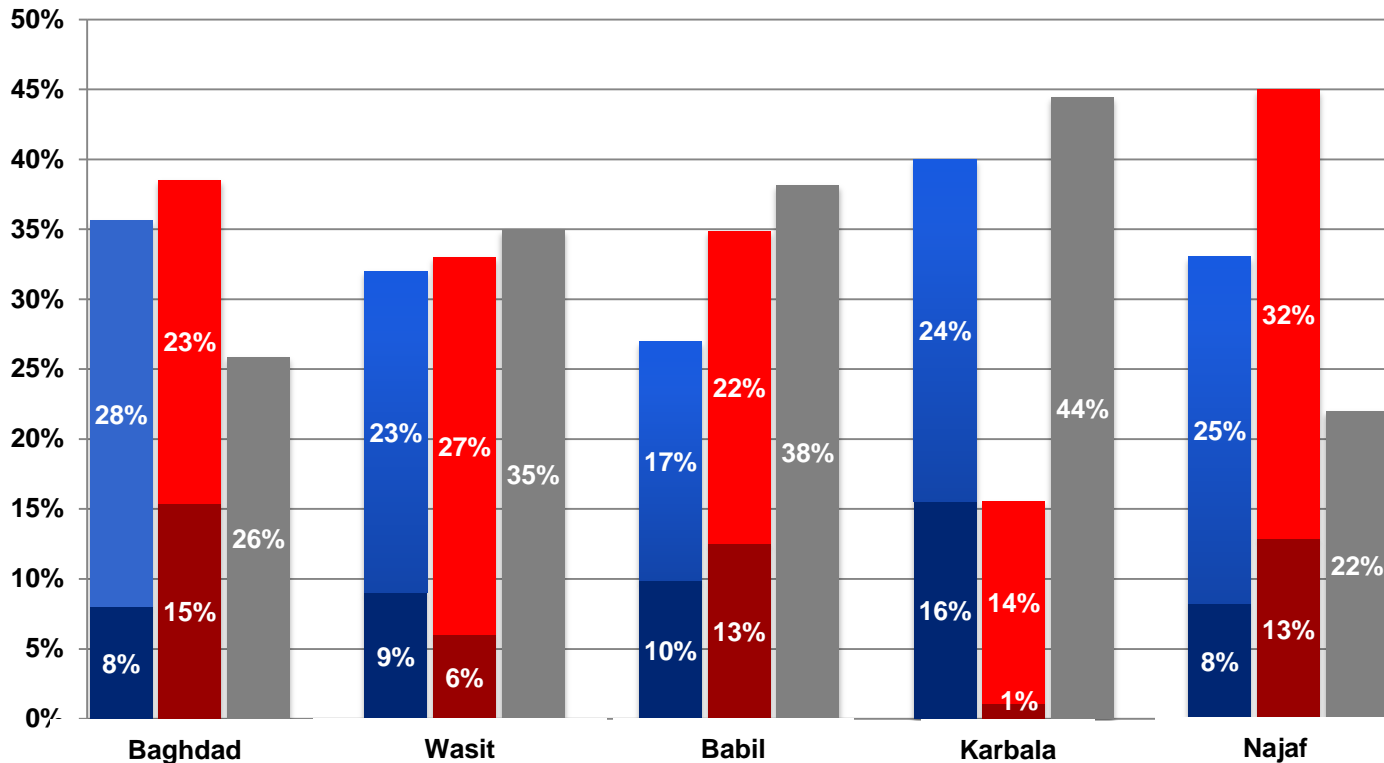
	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf
Agree	7%	19%	13%	10%	14%
Somewhat agree	18%	34%	19%	18%	20%
Somewhat disagree	25%	20%	25%	41%	32%
Disagree	38%	24%	12%	26%	23%
Don't know / Refused	12%	4%	32%	6%	11%

In your opinion, is it important to have a census in your province?



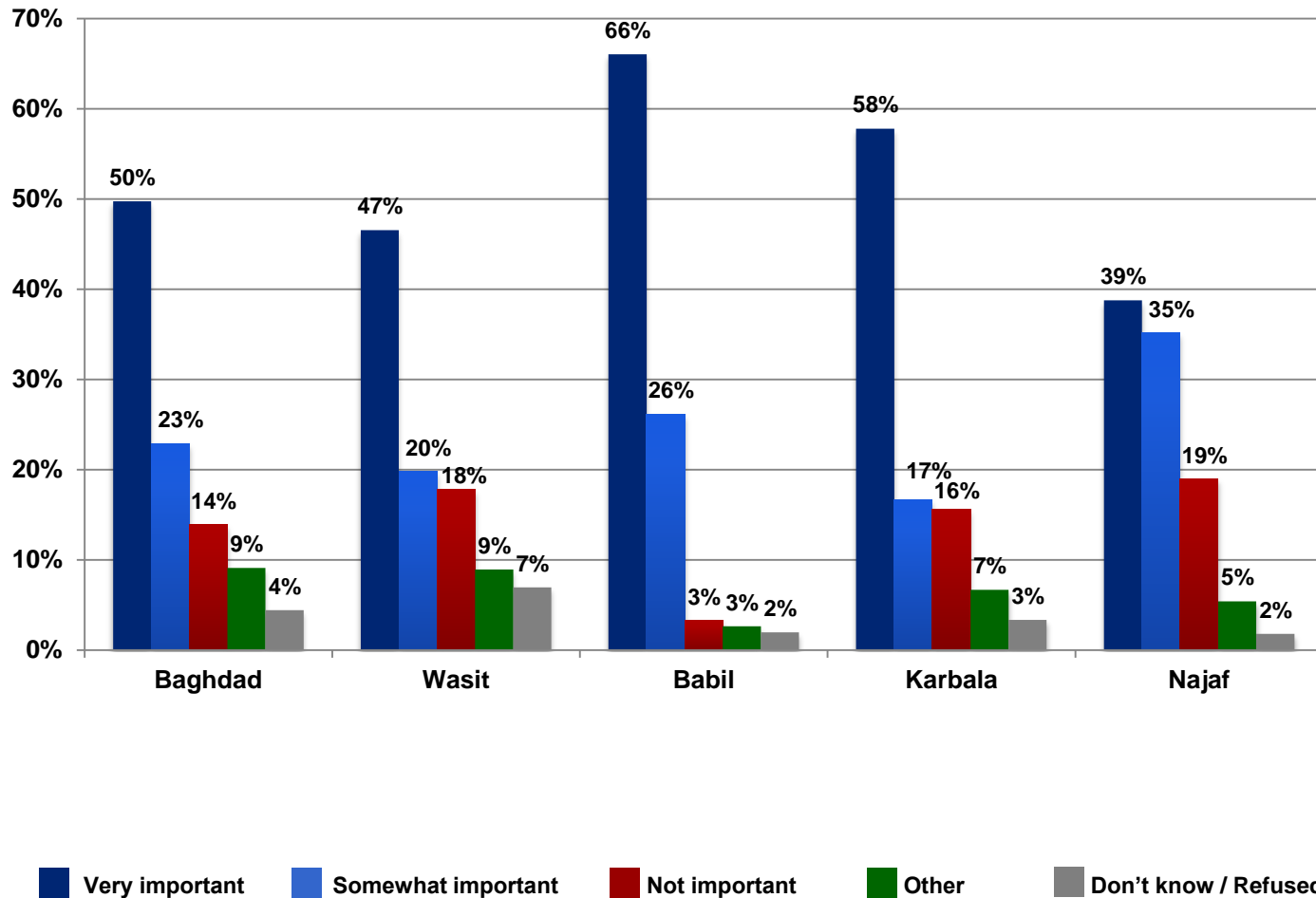
■ Very important
 ■ Somewhat important
 ■ Not important
 ■ Other
 ■ Don't know / Refused

In your opinion, how serious do you think the central government is towards integrating the Sons of Iraq (Al -Sahwa) into Iraq's government institutions?

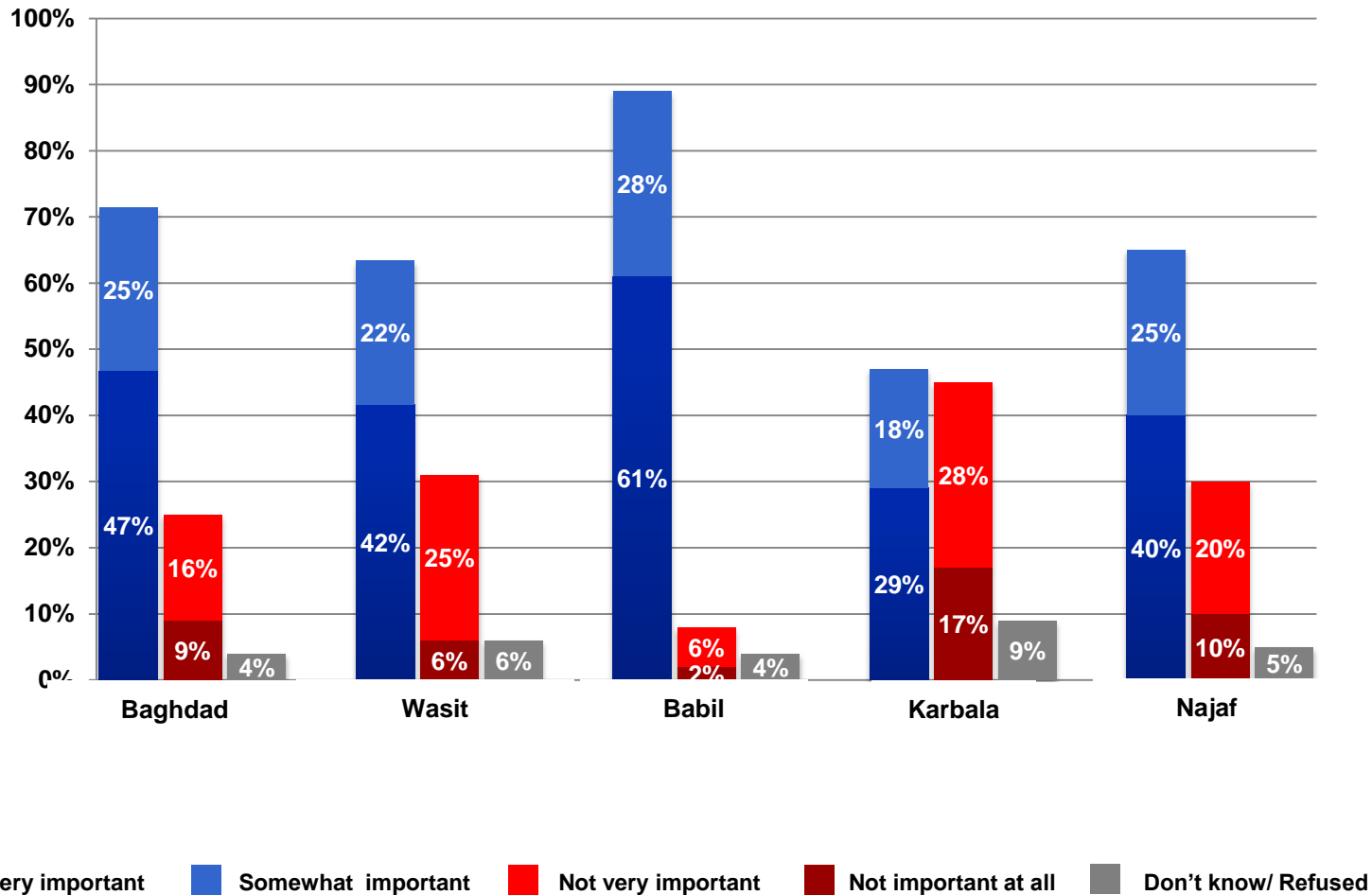


■ Very serious
 ■ Somewhat serious
 ■ Not very serious
 ■ Not serious at all
 ■ Don't know / Refused

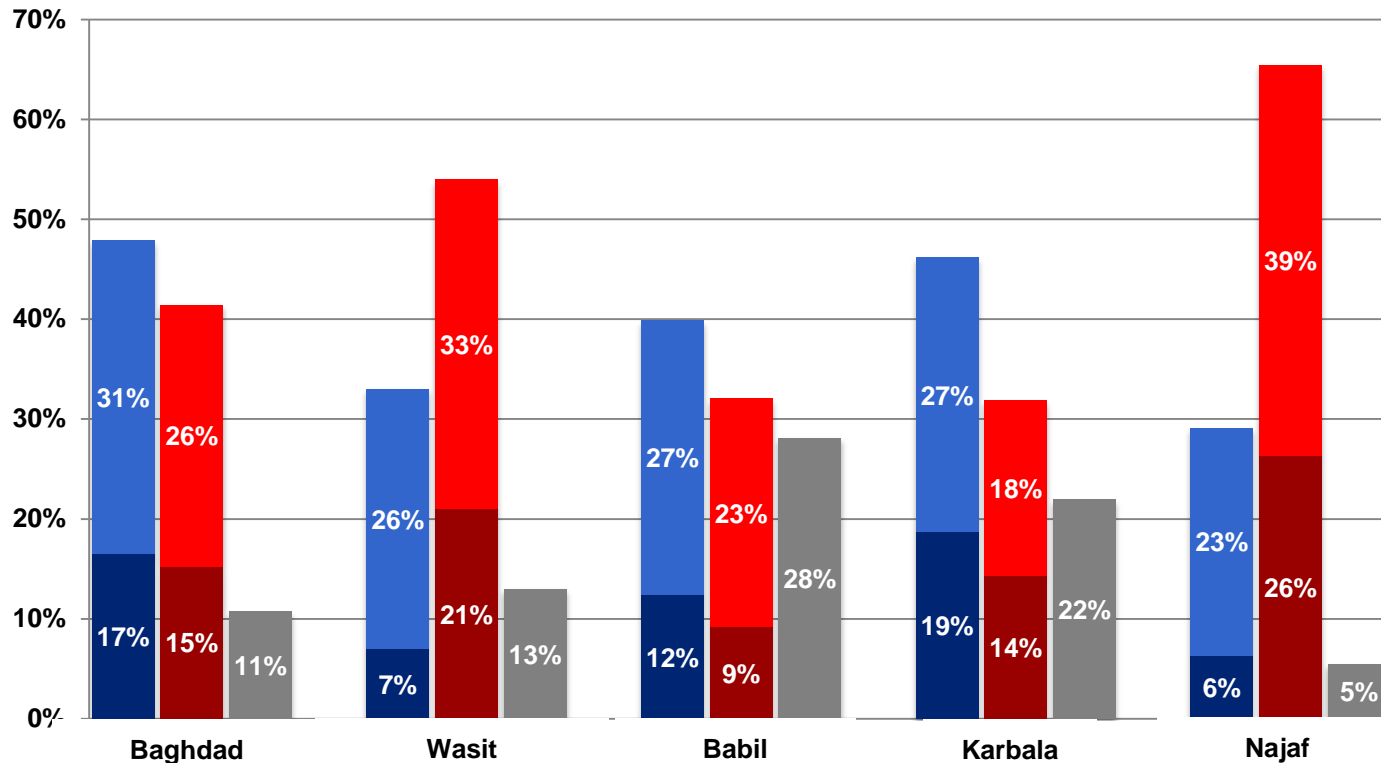
**A proposal has been made to hold provincial council elections this year.
Do you want provincial elections to be organized this year?**



How important do you think it is that elections are held for local councils this year?

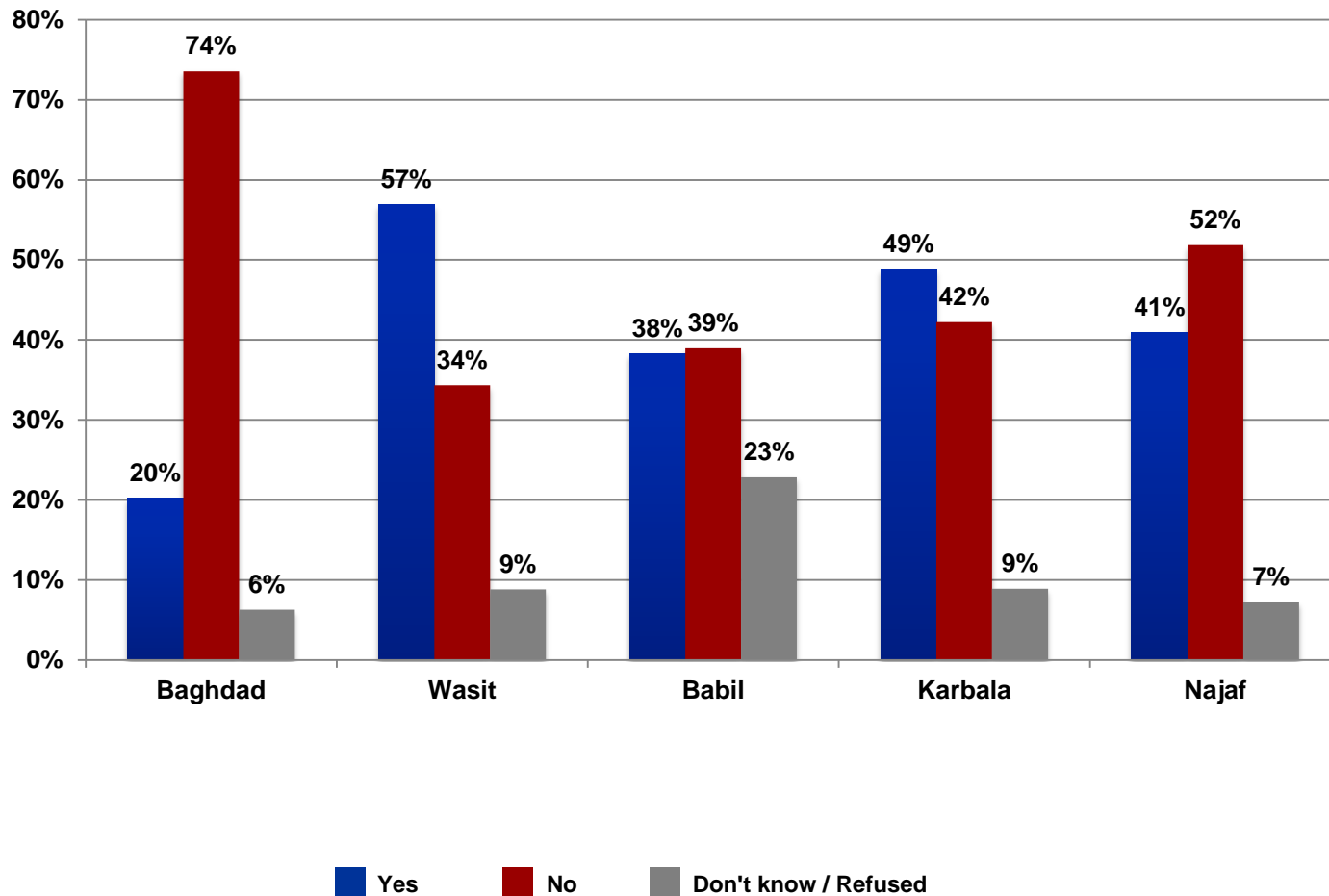


Regarding tensions between Arabs and Kurds in Ninawa, Diyala and Kirkuk, how likely do you think the situation will turn violent in the next year?

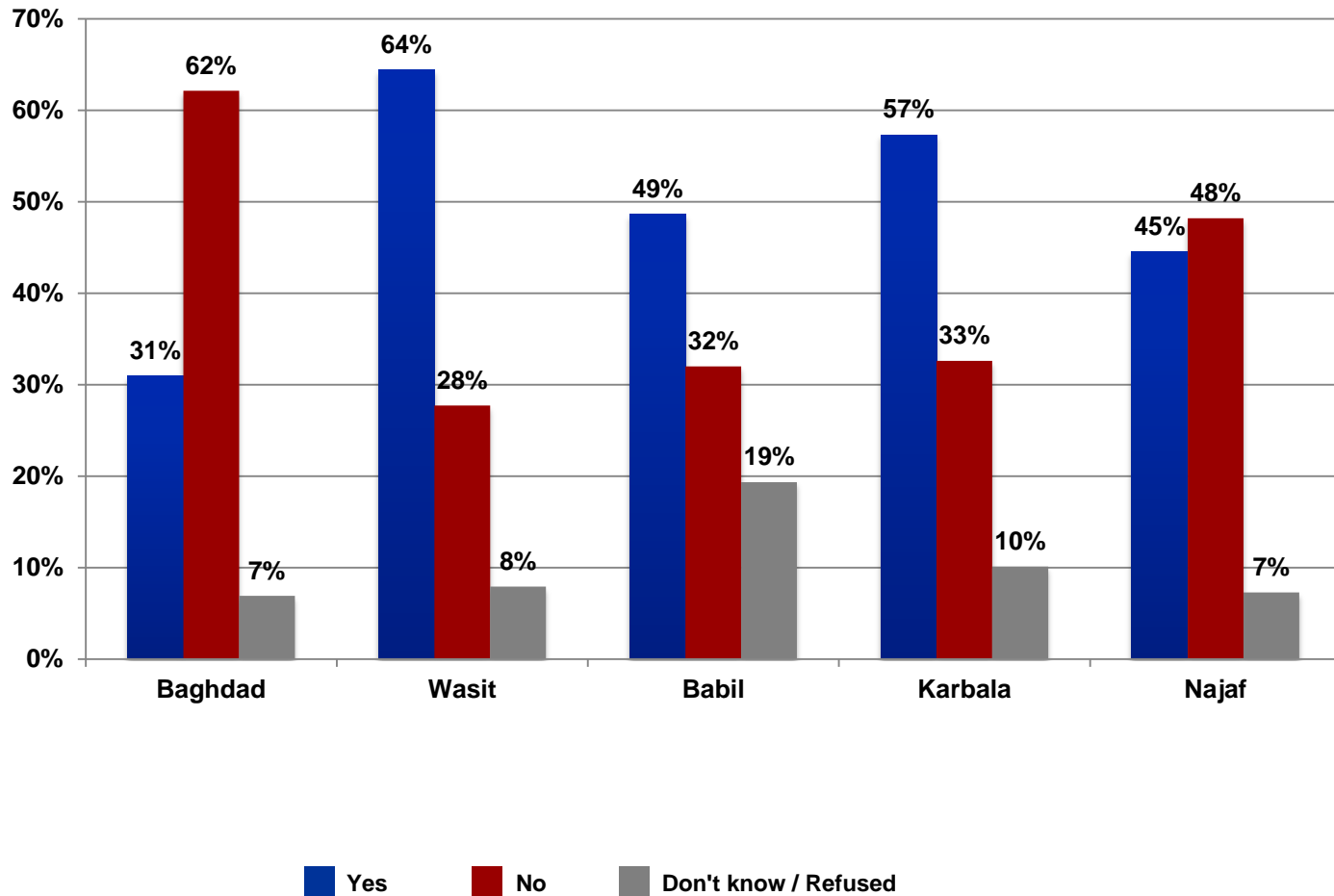


■ Very likely
 ■ Somewhat likely
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 ■ Not at all likely
 ■ Don't know / Refused

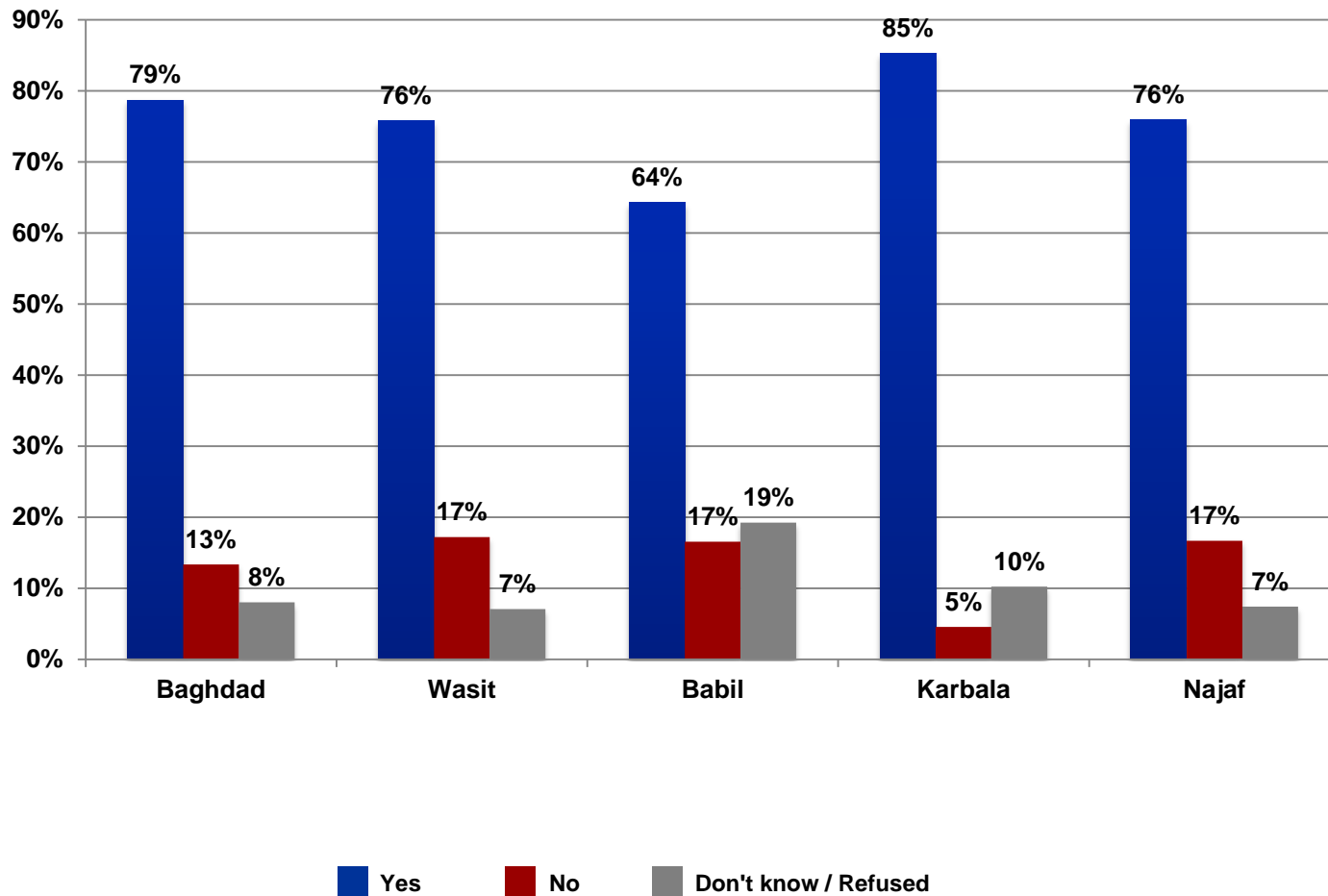
If a referendum were held regarding the status of Kirkuk and the residents of Kirkuk voted to join the Kurdish region, would you respect the results of the referendum?



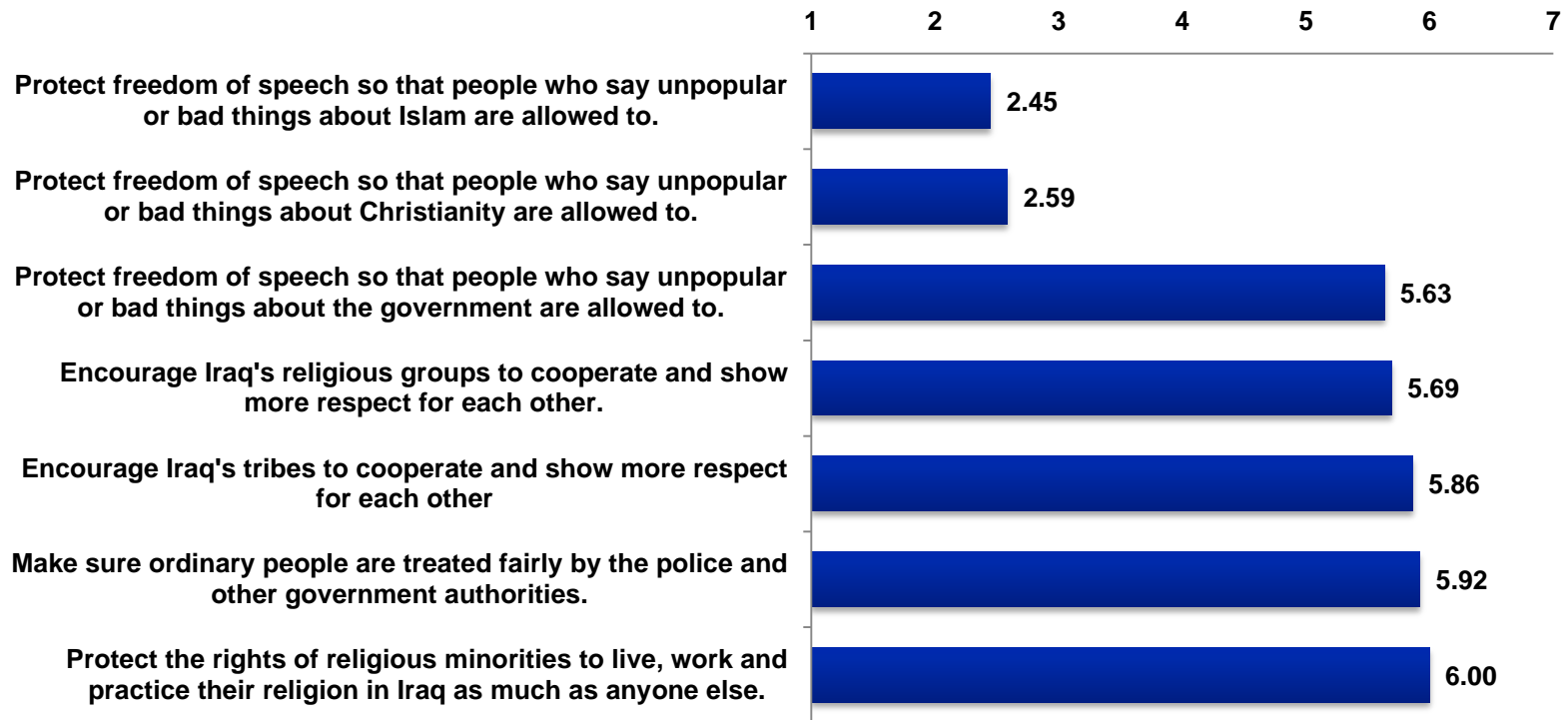
If a referendum were held regarding the status of Kirkuk and the residents of Kirkuk voted to become their own region, would you respect the results of the referendum?



If a referendum were held regarding the status of Kirkuk and the residents of Kirkuk voted for the status-quo, would you respect the results of the referendum?



On a scale from one to seven, seven being the most important and one being the least important, how important is it in your view for the government to:



Local Issues



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Who is the best advocate for the people's needs?

	The first best advocate	The second best advocate
Tribes	31%	23%
Nongovernmental organizations	31%	13%
Provincial council	10%	14%
Local council	9%	13%
Governor	3%	8%
Other	8%	15%
Don't know / Refused	8%	14%

If you have a problem regarding conditions in your neighborhood, where would you go first for assistance?

	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf
Local / Municipal council	34%	9%	28%	33%	29%
Tribal leader	34%	55%	31%	20%	24%
Provincial council	7%	15%	24%	23%	4%
Member of parliament	3%	1%	8%		5%
Governor	3%	8%	2%	1%	19%
Other	10%	11%	3%	19%	20%
Don't know / Refused	10%	1%	4%	3%	0%

If you have a problem regarding conditions in your neighborhood, where would you go second for assistance?

	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf
Local / Municipal council	20%	17%	10%	18%	16%
Provincial council	19%	13%	17%	31%	36%
Tribal leader	14%	20%	17%	7%	17%
Governor	6%	13%	21%	9%	14%
Member of parliament	5%	1%	12%	4%	8%
Other	19%	31%	11%	17%	7%
Don't know / Refused	17%	6%	11%	13%	1%

How much do you trust each of the following to protect your neighborhood, would you say a great deal, a fair amount, only a little or not at all?

Baghdad	A great deal	A fair amount	Only a little	Not at all	Refused	Don't Know
The Iraqi National Police	33%	44%	11%	11%	1%	0%
The Iraqi National Army	46%	41%	8%	4%	1%	0%
Sons of Iraq (Al-Sahwa)	8%	19%	19%	40%	4%	10%
Peshmerga	2%	3%	8%	63%	4%	20%

How much do you trust each of the following to protect your neighborhood, would you say a great deal, a fair amount, only a little or not at all?

Wasit	A great deal	A fair amount	Only a little	Not at all	Refused	Don't Know
The Iraqi National Police	69%	21%	6%	2%	1%	1%
The Iraqi National Army	62%	31%	4%	1%	1%	1%
Sons of Iraq (Al-Sahwa)	2%	9%	12%	21%	5%	51%
Peshmerga	2%	3%	7%	29%	5%	54%

How much do you trust each of the following to protect your neighborhood, would you say a great deal, a fair amount, only a little or not at all?

Babil	A great deal	A fair amount	Only a little	Not at all	Refused	Don't Know
The Iraqi National Police	54%	36%	8%	2%	1%	0%
The Iraqi National Army	63%	28%	7%	1%	1%	0%
Sons of Iraq (Al-Sahwa)	21%	25%	22%	18%	4%	11%
Peshmerga	2%	3%	15%	46%	8%	26%

How much do you trust each of the following to protect your neighborhood, would you say a great deal, a fair amount, only a little or not at all?

Karbala	A great deal	A fair amount	Only a little	Not at all	Refused	Don't Know
The Iraqi National Police	44%	36%	13%	7%	0%	0%
The Iraqi National Army	43%	39%	11%	7%	0%	0%
Sons of Iraq (Al-Sahwa)	10%	3%	10%	66%	2%	8%
Peshmerga	9%	0%	3%	79%	1%	8%

How much do you trust each of the following to protect your neighborhood, would you say a great deal, a fair amount, only a little or not at all?

Najaf	A Great Deal	A Fair Amount	Only a Little	Not at all	Refused	Don't Know
The Iraqi National Police	45%	46%	5%	1%	0%	2%
The Iraqi National Army	56%	41%	1%	1%	0%	1%
Sons of Iraq (Al-Sahwa)	2%	12%	41%	32%	2%	12%
Peshmerga	3%	1%	12%	68%	1%	15%

In your opinion what is the single biggest issue in your province that should benefit from revenues generated by religious tourism?

(Karbala and Najaf only)

	Basic services	Education	Healthcare	Public infrastructure	Re-investment into religious tourism
Karbala	68%	2%	4%	8%	18%
Najaf	70%	6%	7%	6%	10%

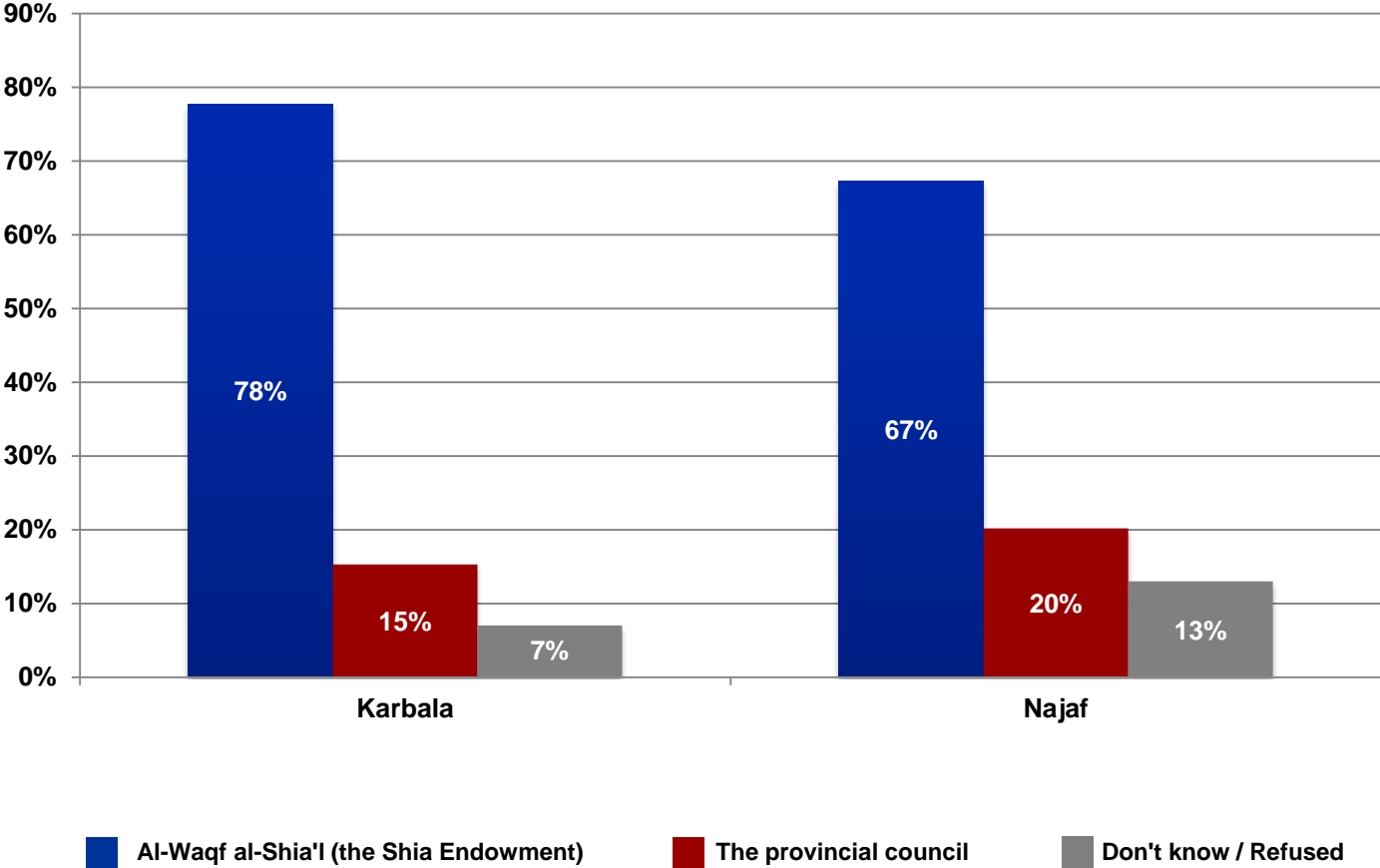
In your opinion what is the second biggest issue in your province that should benefit from revenues generated by religious tourism?

(Karbala and Najaf only)

	Basic services	Education	Healthcare	Public infrastructure	Re-investment into religious tourism
Karbala	21%	2%	7%	33%	37%
Najaf	16%	11%	16%	24%	32%

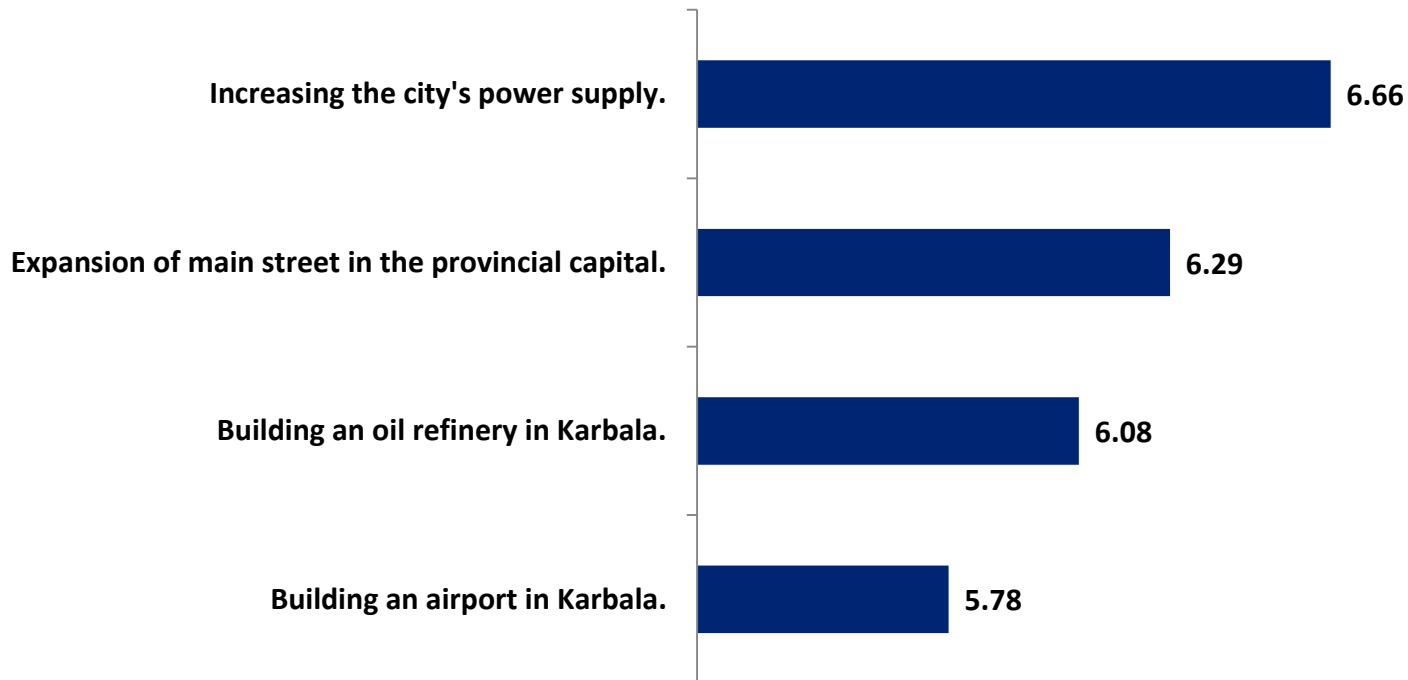
Who should decide how religious revenues are spent?

(Karbala and Najaf only)



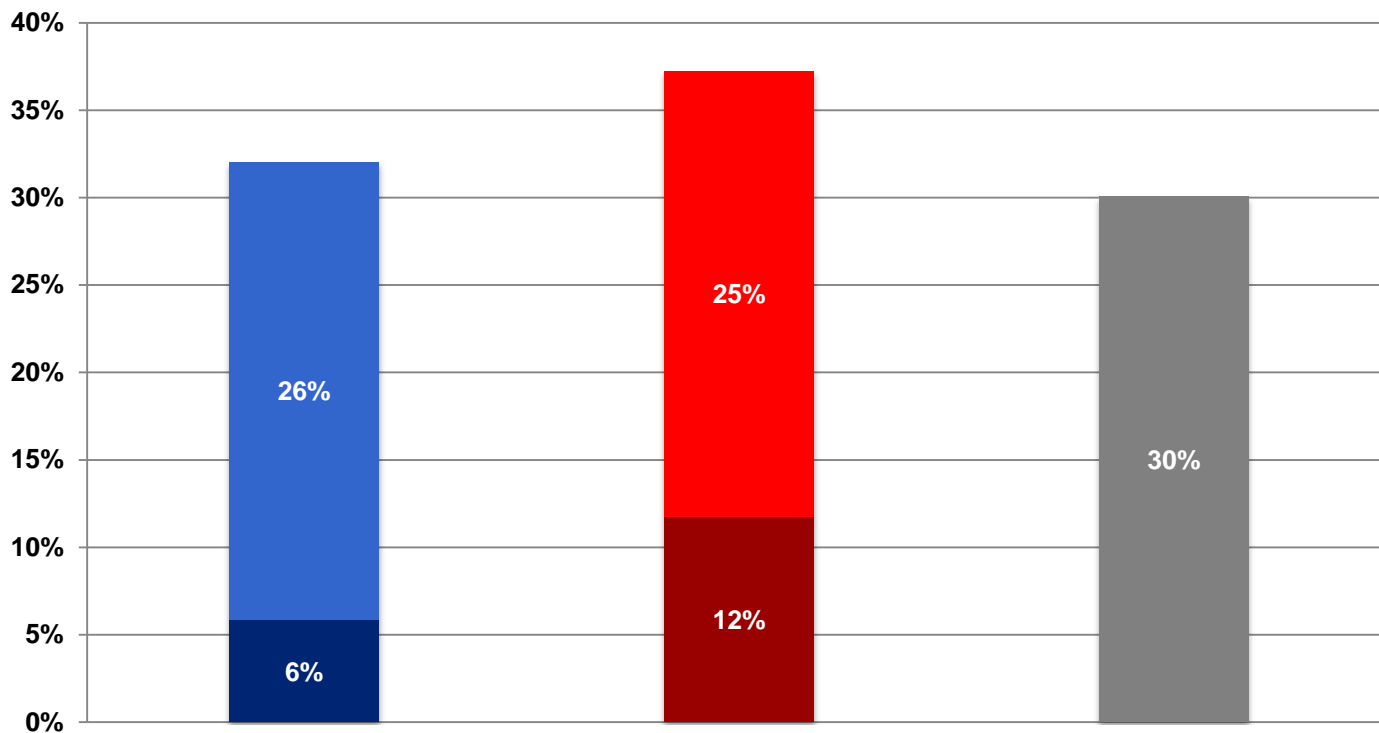
On a scale from one to seven, seven being the most important and one being the least important, rank the following issues?

(Karbala only)



The Babil provincial council wants to fire the army commander in Babil but the Ministry of Defense in Baghdad doesn't approve of this decision. Do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree with the provincial council's position that this commander should be fired?

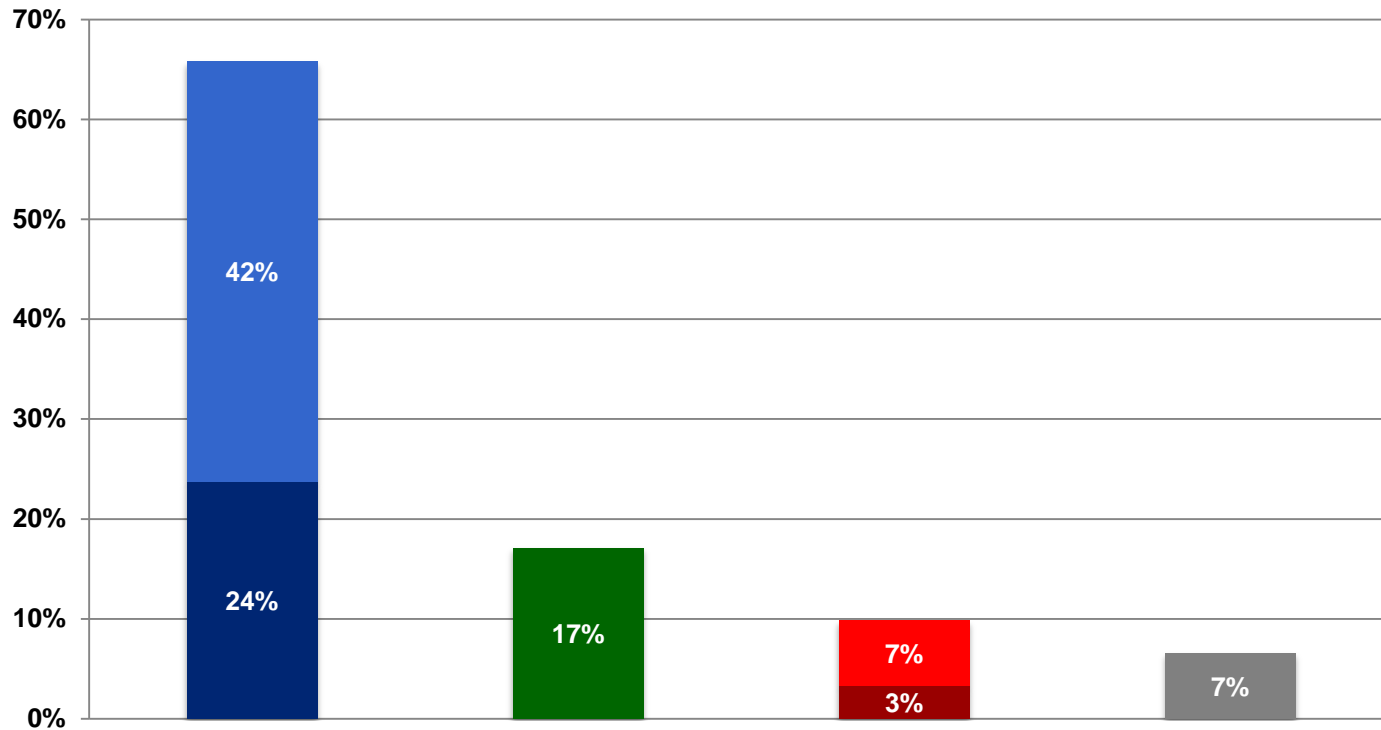
(Babil only)



Strongly agree **Somewhat agree** **Somewhat disagree** **Strongly disagree** **Don't know / Refused**

How satisfied are you with the performance of the army in Babil over the past year?

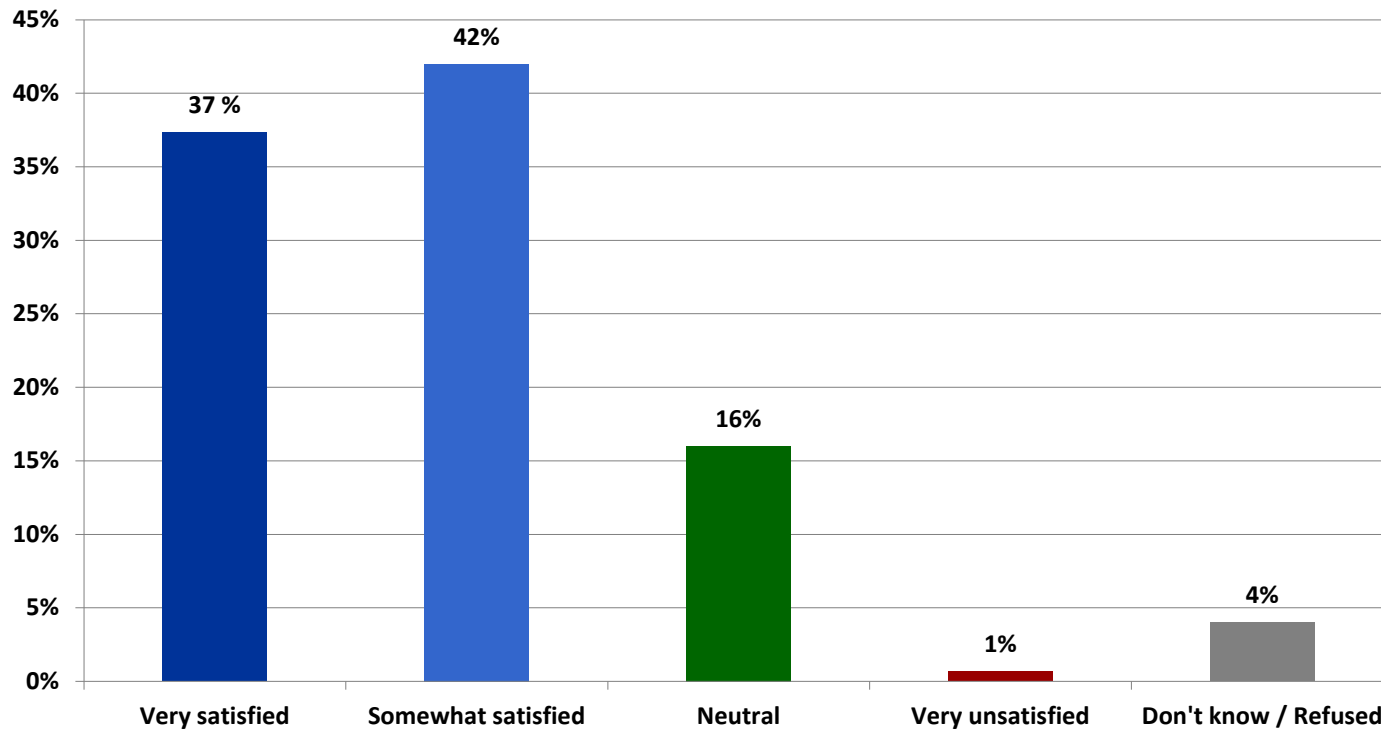
(Babil only)



Very satisfied Somewhat satisfied Very dissatisfied Somewhat dissatisfied Neutral Don't know / Refused

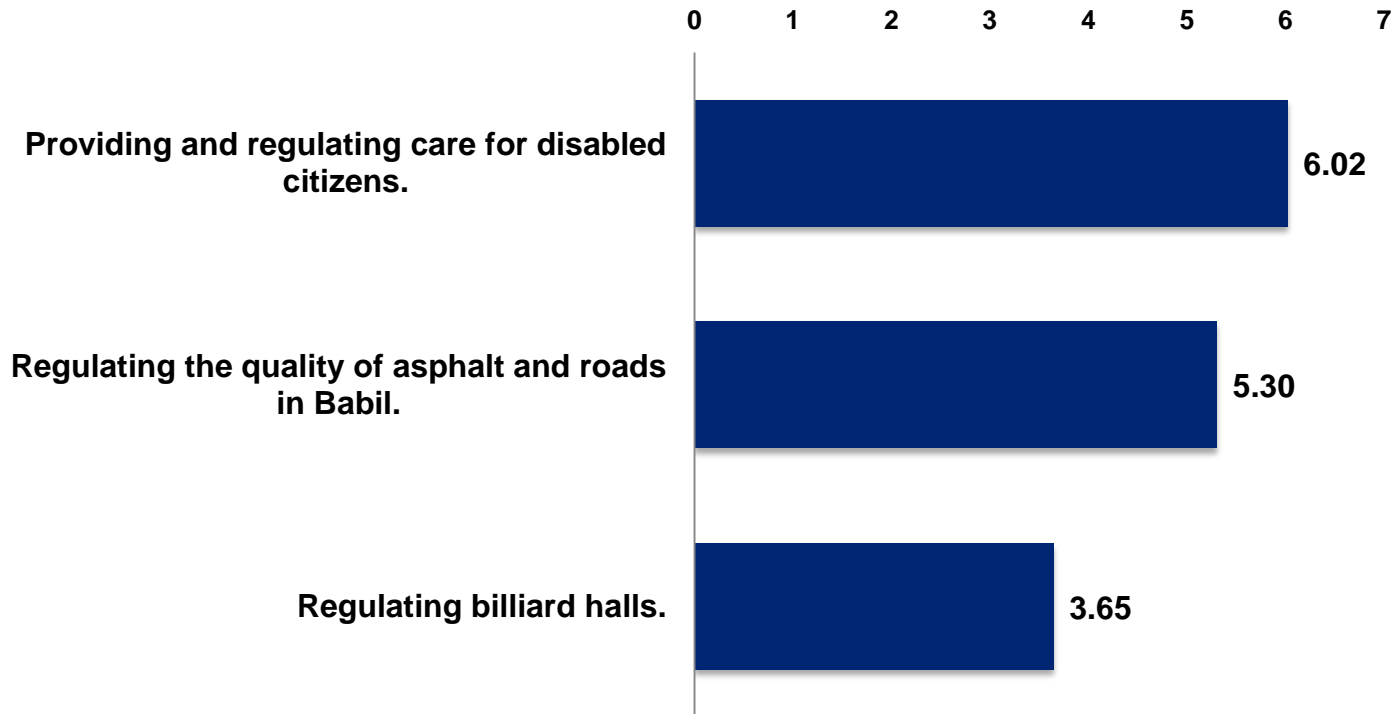
How satisfied are you with the performance of the police in Babil province over the past year?

(Babil only)



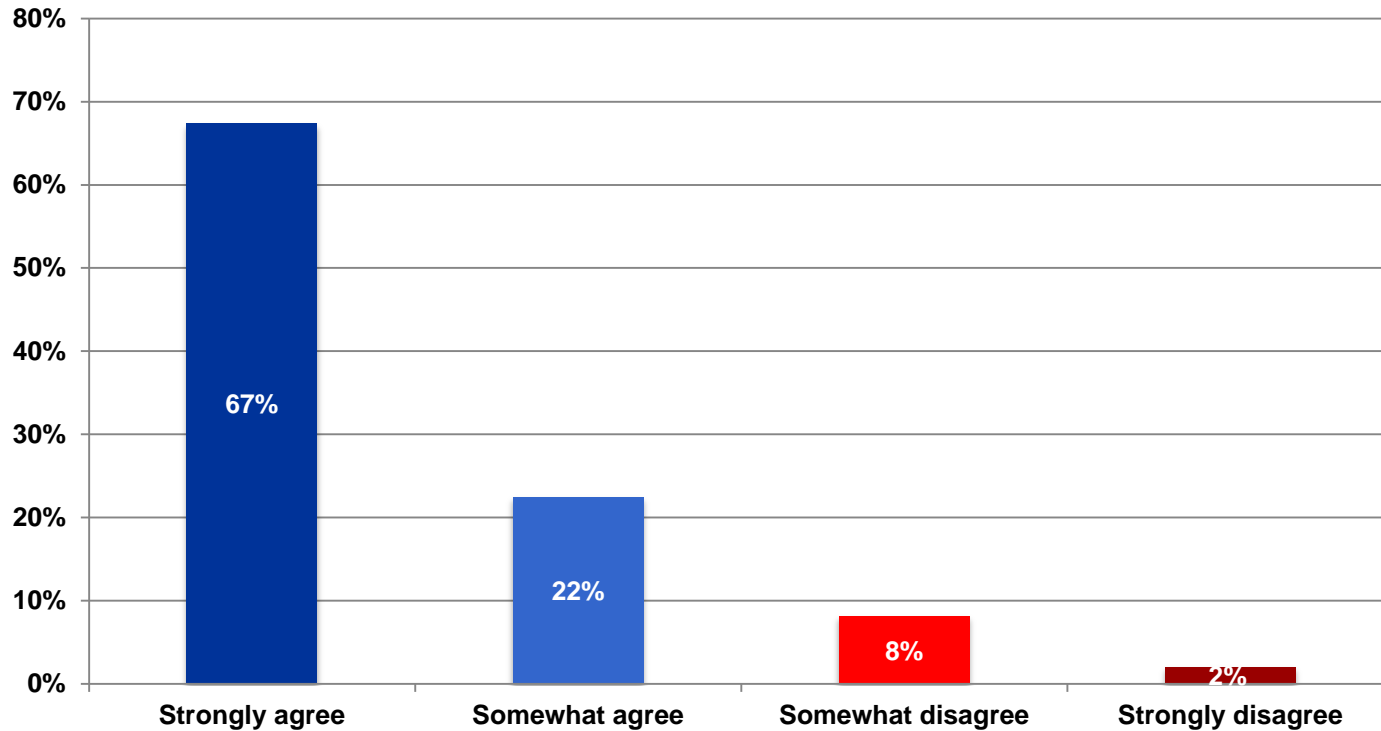
On a scale from one to seven, seven being the most important and one being the least important, rank the following issues:

(Babil only)



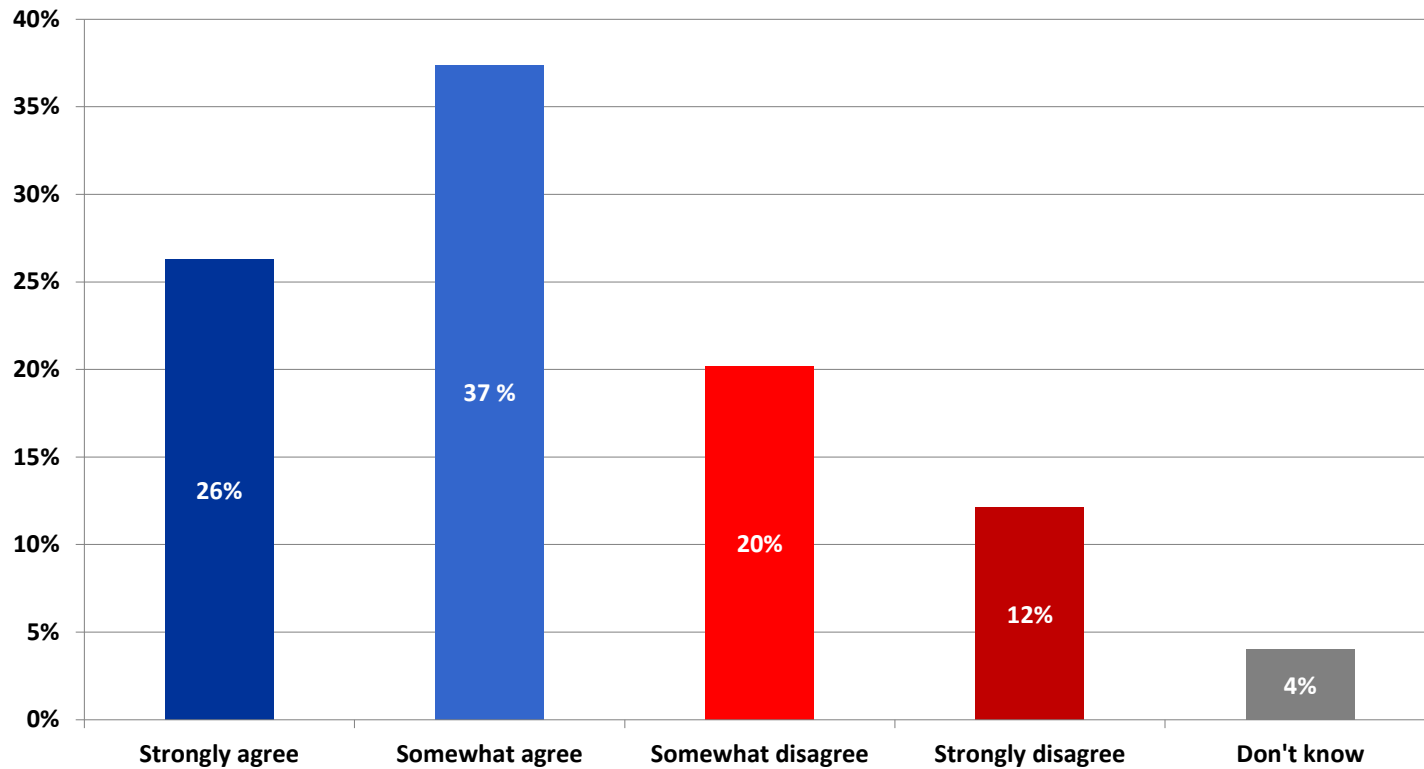
I am now going to read you a statement. Please tell me if you agree or disagree.
Most of province's oil revenues for al-Ahdab oil field should be allocated for reconstruction projects in the province.

(Wasit only)



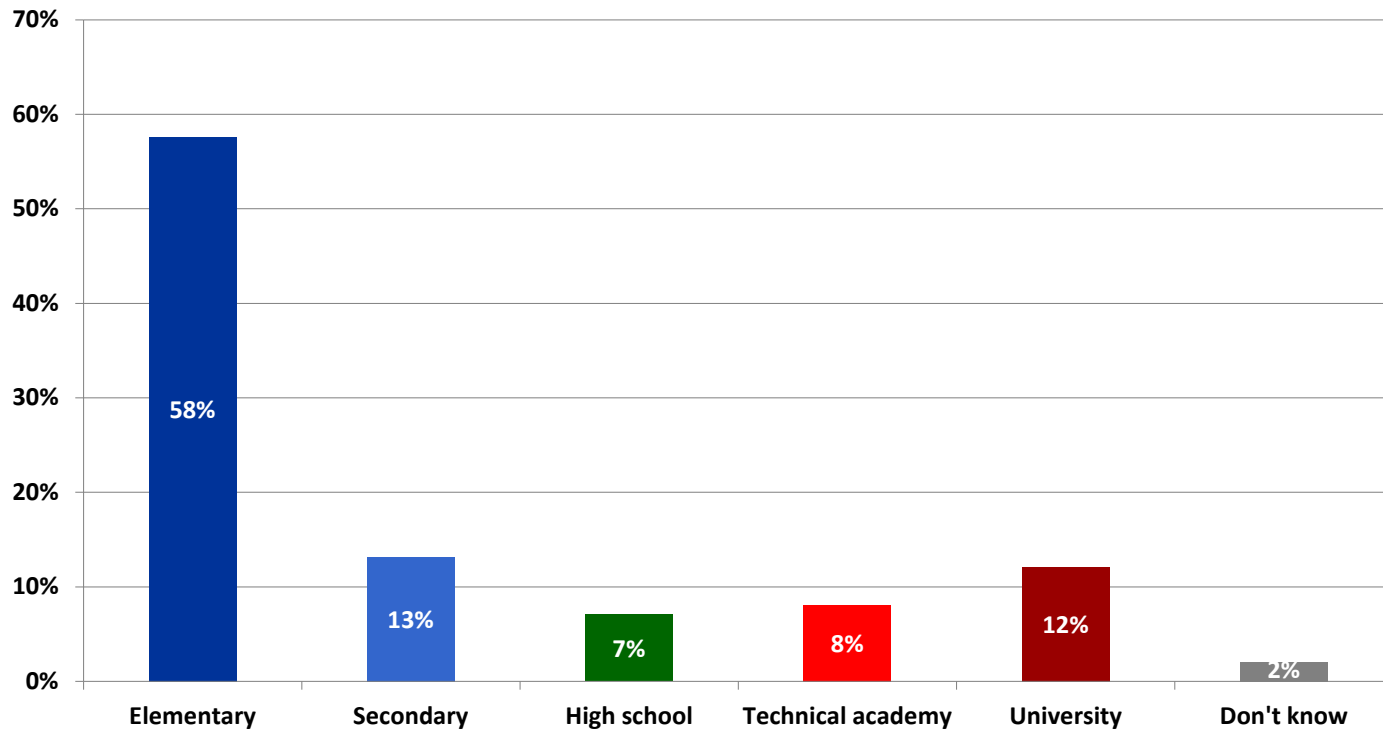
Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? The provincial council should decide how revenues from the Ahdab oil field should be spent.

(Wasit only)

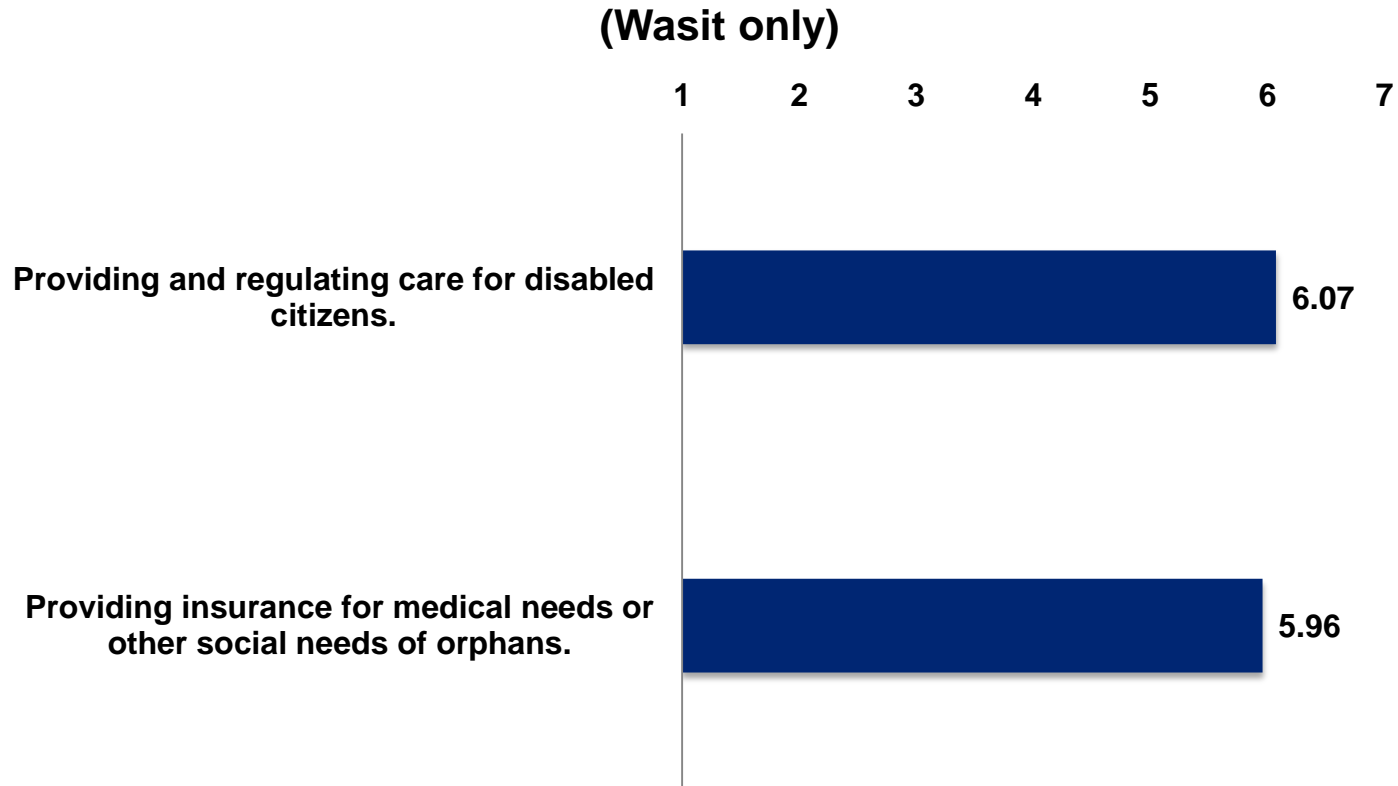


What level of the educational system is in the most need of further funding in your province?

(Wasit only)

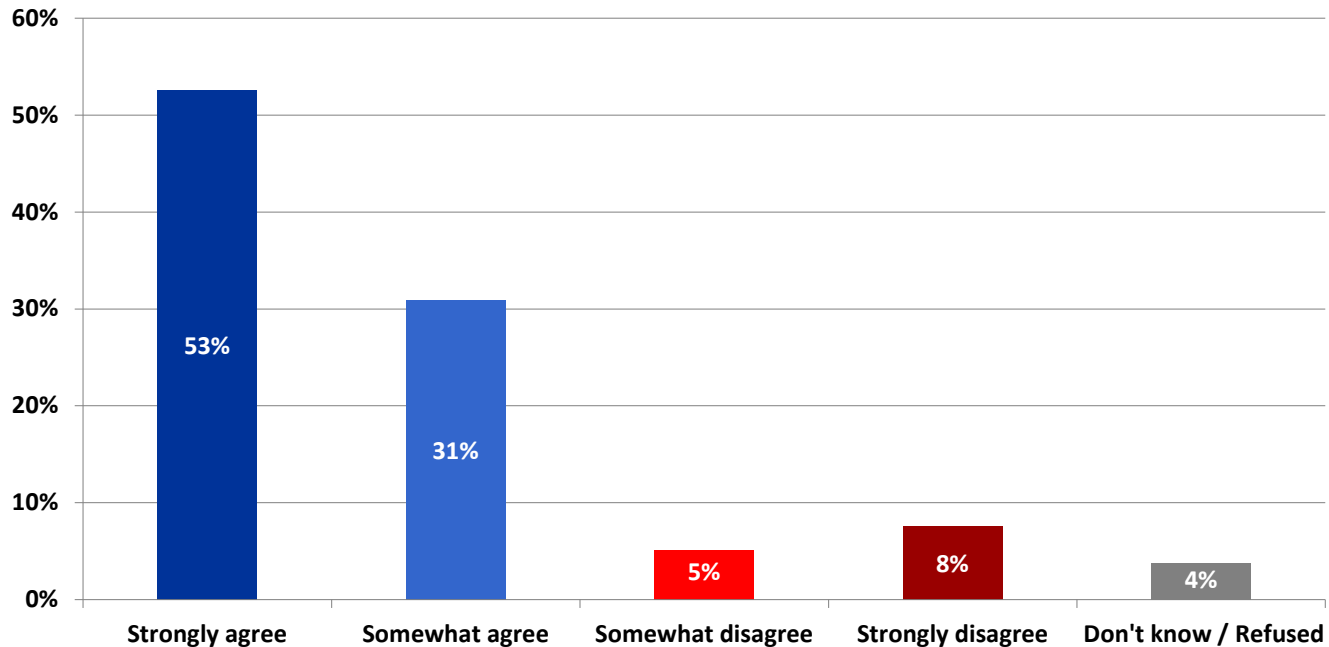


On a scale from one to seven, seven being the most important and one being the least important, rank the following issues:



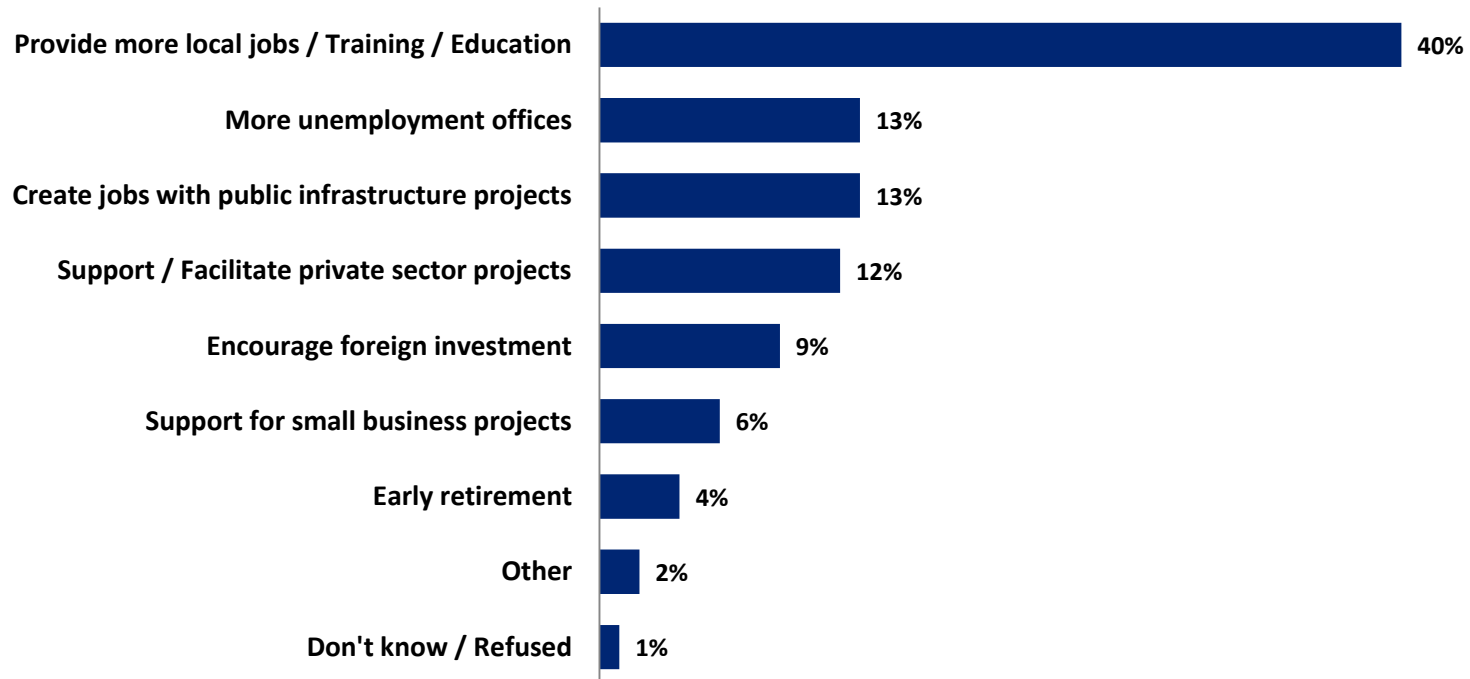
Thinking about the protests that have occurred in the capital demanding greater government responsiveness, do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree with these protests?

(Baghdad only)



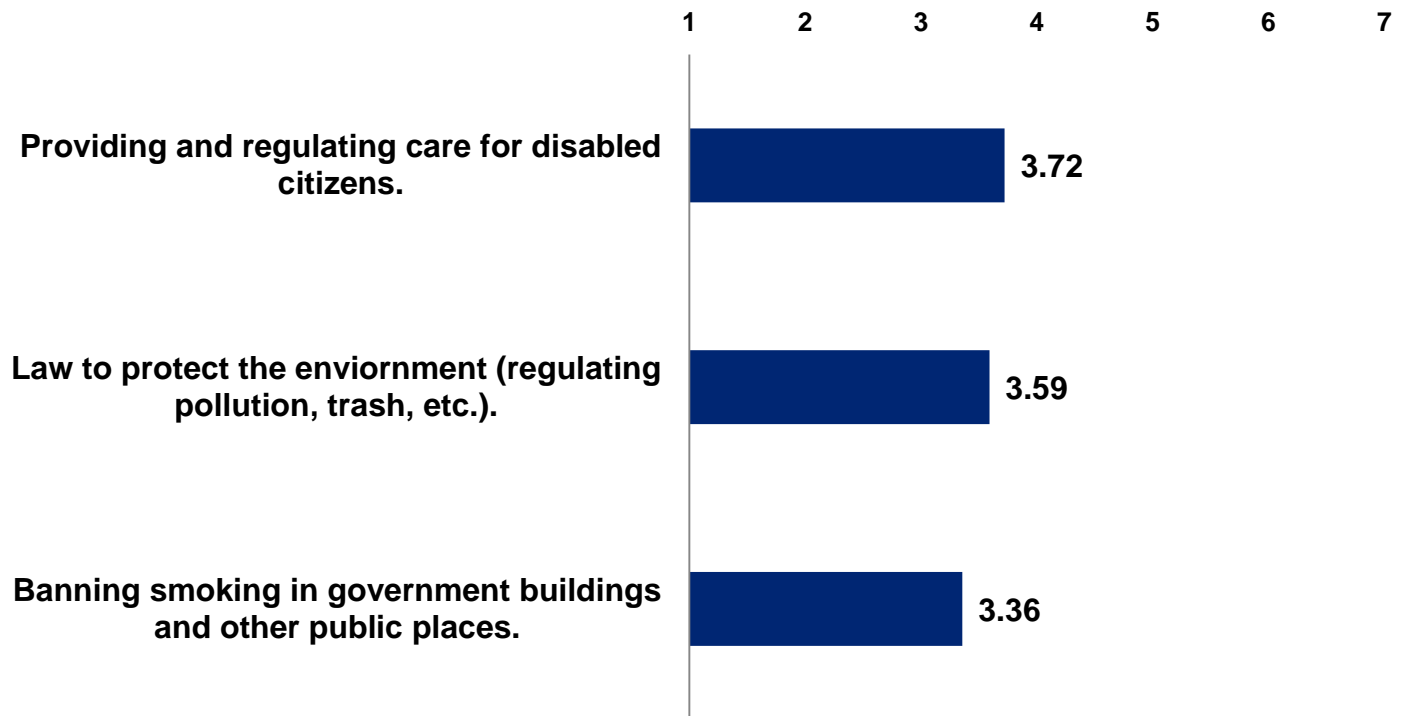
What practical advice would you give to the government about the single best way to combat unemployment in Baghdad?

(Baghdad only)



On a scale from one to seven, seven being the most important and one being the least important, rank the following issues:

(Baghdad only)



Media



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Where are you most likely to get your local news and information?

	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf
Newspaper	2%	5%	4%	2%	0%
Radio	2%	8%	10%	2%	5%
Television	64%	85%	86%	94%	92%
Internet	8%	2%	1%	0%	4%
SMS	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Rumors at public places	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Don't know	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%

What is the name of your favorite newspaper?

	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf
Al-Sabah	28%	16%	23%	36%	18%
Al-Zaman	6%	4%	7%	6%	3%
Al-Sharq al-Awsat	2%	2%	2%	1%	5%
Almashriq	5%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Al-Bayina Al-Jadeeda	2%	4%	0%	1%	0%
Al-Sabah Al-Jadeed	2%	4%	1%	10%	0%
Al-Mada	3%	0%	1%	0%	3%
Al-Dustur	1%	6%	1%	0%	2%
Babylon	0%	0%	11%	1%	0%
Majlis Muhafathat Wassit	0%	0%	0%	9%	0%
Other	4%	10%	5%	3%	6%
Refused	6%	13%	5%	5%	4%
Don't Know	38%	33%	38%	25%	56%

What is the name of your favorite radio station?

	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf
Radio Sawa	14%	13%	19%	22%	11%
Radio Dijla	12%	0%	3%	1%	1%
Baghdad	4%	3%	2%	5%	3%
Nahrain	0%	12%	1%	0%	2%
Al-Ghadeer	1%	0%	1%	1%	12%
Al-Najaf Al-Ashraf	1%	1%	0%	6%	15%
Al-Ma'arif	2%	0%	0%	13%	15%
Gomhoreyat Al-Iraq	5%	12%	6%	2%	6%
Radio Hilla	0%	3%	34%	1%	0%
Radio Karbala	1%	3%	0%	13%	0%
Other	6%	12%	3%	5%	2%
Refused	3%	5%	7%	2%	15%
Don't Know	29%	26%	15%	18%	13%

What is the name of your favorite television station?

	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf
Al-Baghdadiya	5%	11%	7%	5%	4%
Al-Fourat	5%	5%	7%	8%	8%
Al-Ghadeer	1%	0%	2%	5%	3%
Al-Arabiya	3%	0%	3%	22%	6%
Al Iraqia	22%	20%	21%	25%	10%
Al Sharqiya	22%	12%	16%	7%	8%
Al Sumarria	5%	10%	3%	2%	8%
Al Baghdadia	4%	6%	1%	3%	3%
Al-Hurra Iraq	3%	5%	5%	2%	8%
Al-Anwar	7%	10%	1%	8%	6%
Other	8%	7%	3%	2%	1%
Refused	1%	3%	4%	0%	17%
Don't know	2%	0%	6%	0%	0%

Where do you access the Internet most often?

	Baghdad	Wasit	Babil	Karbala	Najaf
Home	34%	10%	15%	10%	26%
Work	7%	6%	7%	12%	9%
School	0%	0%	3%	0%	1%
Mobile phone	7%	9%	3%	6%	3%
Other	4%	21%	7%	17%	9%
Refused	4%	12%	6%	20%	1%
Don't know	43%	43%	59%	35%	51%



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