

Survey of Iraqi Public Opinion



International Republican Institute
November 30 – December 7, 2005



Methodology in Brief

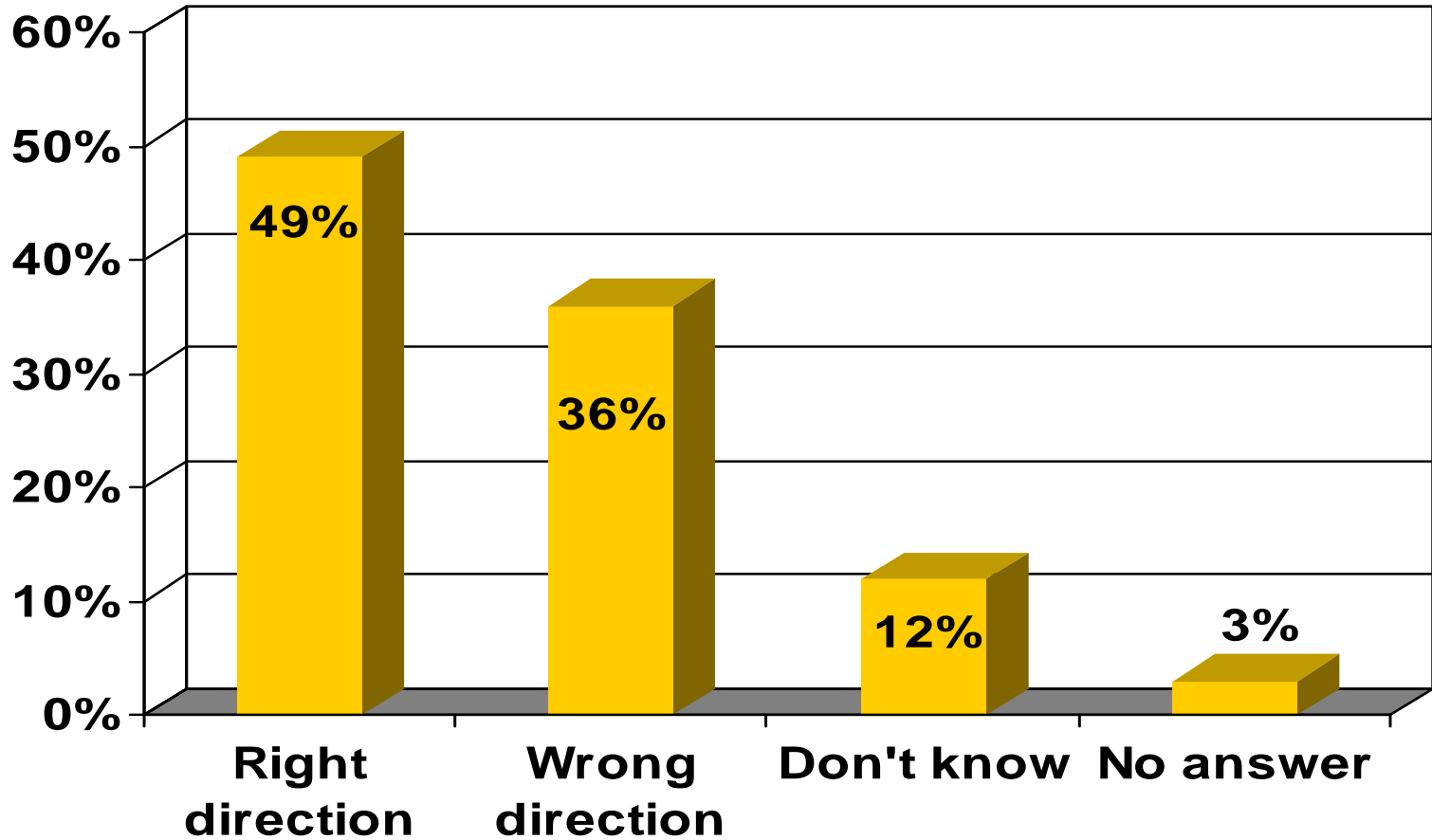
- Face-to-face interviews conducted between November 30 – December 7, 2005
- All field work conducted by an Iraqi polling firm and employed more than 150 trained interviewers around the country
- Interviews conducted in 17 of 18 governorates. For security reasons, Al Anbar/Ramadi was not included in this survey
- A total sample of 2,714 valid interviews were obtained from a total sample of 3,000 rendering a response rate of 90 percent
- The overall margin of error for this survey is +/- three percent
- Please contact IRI if more detailed methodological information is required



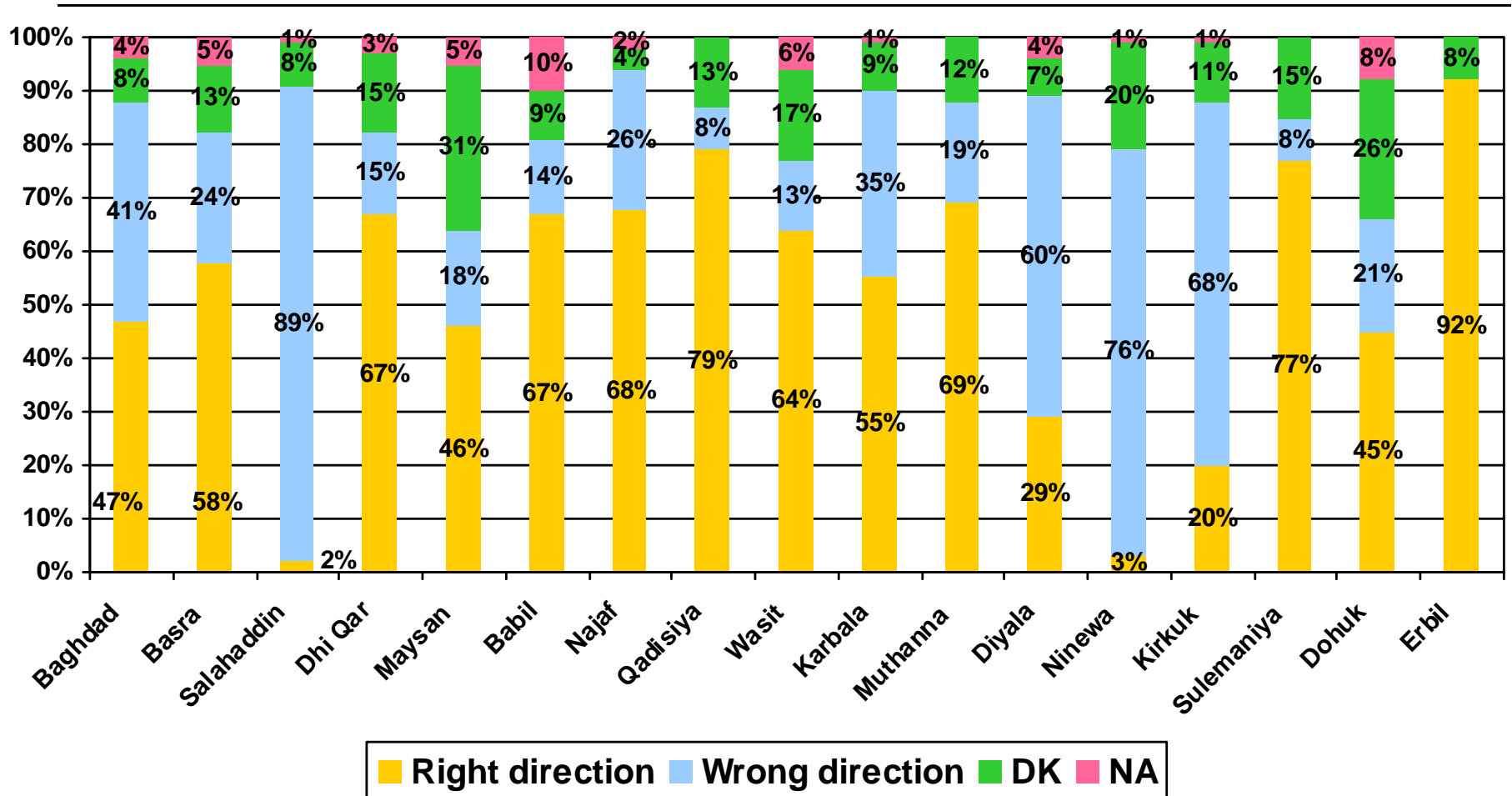
Demographics in Brief

- Representative of 17 of Iraq's 18 provinces—percentage of sample ranging from four percent in Sulemaniya 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 66 percent of respondents and rural respondents comprise the remaining 34 percent
- Male to female ratio is 45 to 55, respectively
- Age distribution: 18-24 (21%), 25-34 (31%), 35-44 (23%), 45-54 (14%), 55+ (11%)
- Religious distribution: Sunni Muslim (11%), Shia Muslim (25%), only Muslim (62%), other (2%)

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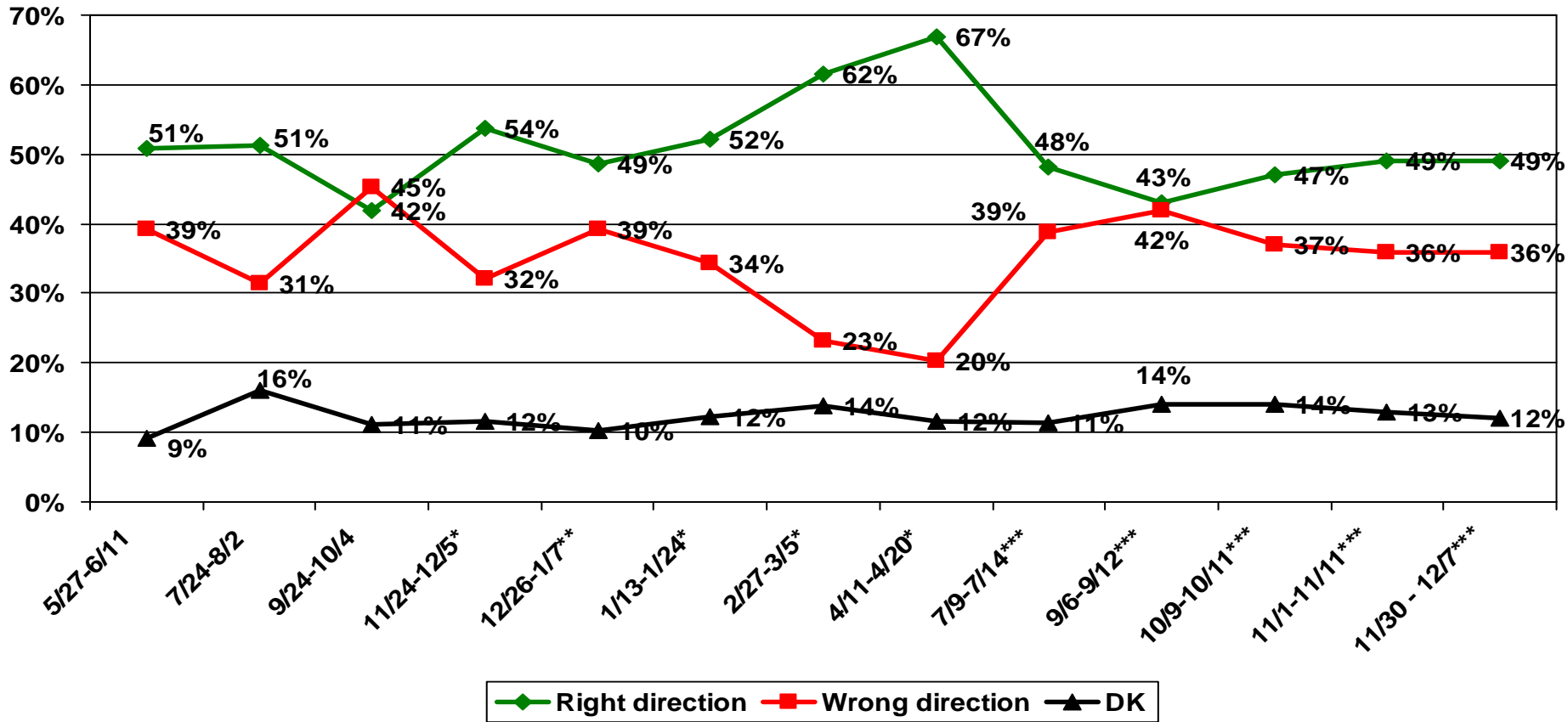


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Trends: May 2004 – December 2005



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Why do you feel that Iraq is generally heading in the right direction or the wrong direction?

Right Direction

Freedom and democracy	28%
Elected national government	20%
Forthcoming elections	11%
Increasing wages	9%
Getting rid of former regime	7%
Conditions generally improving	7%

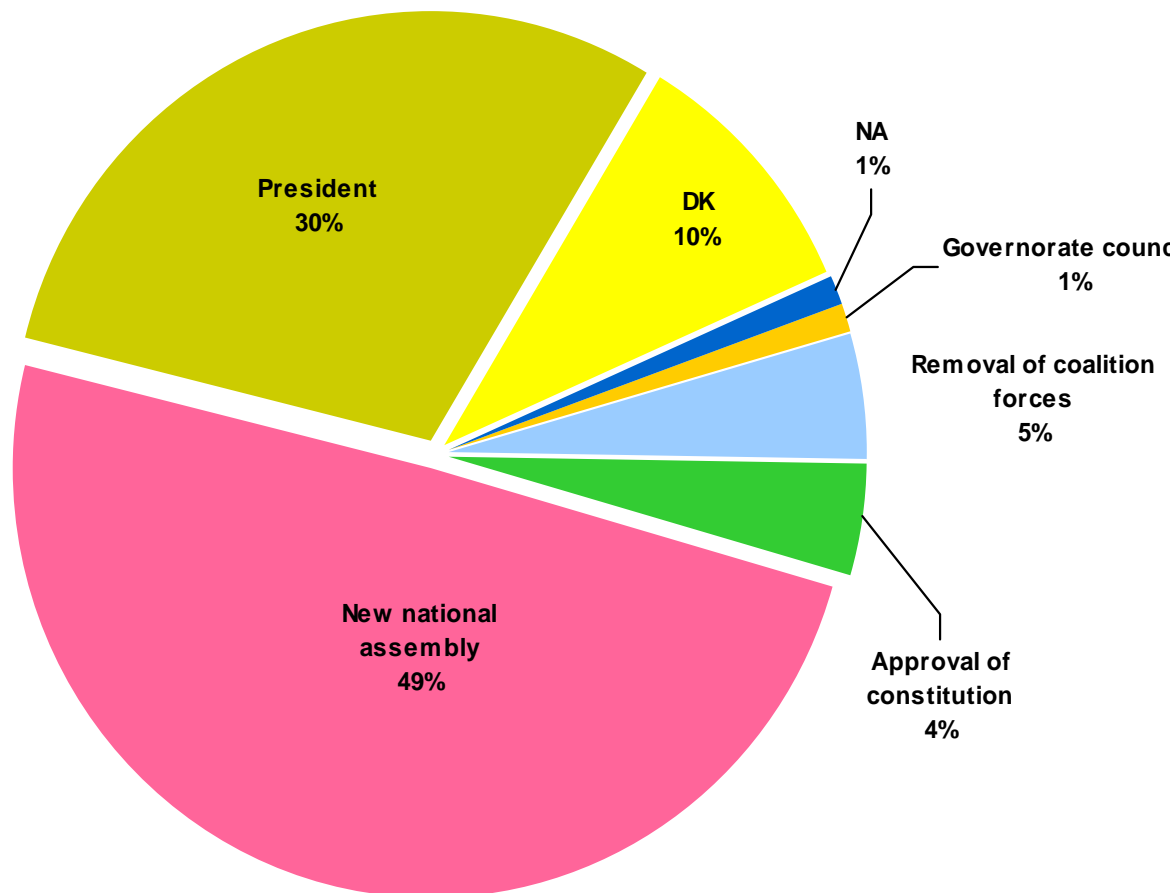
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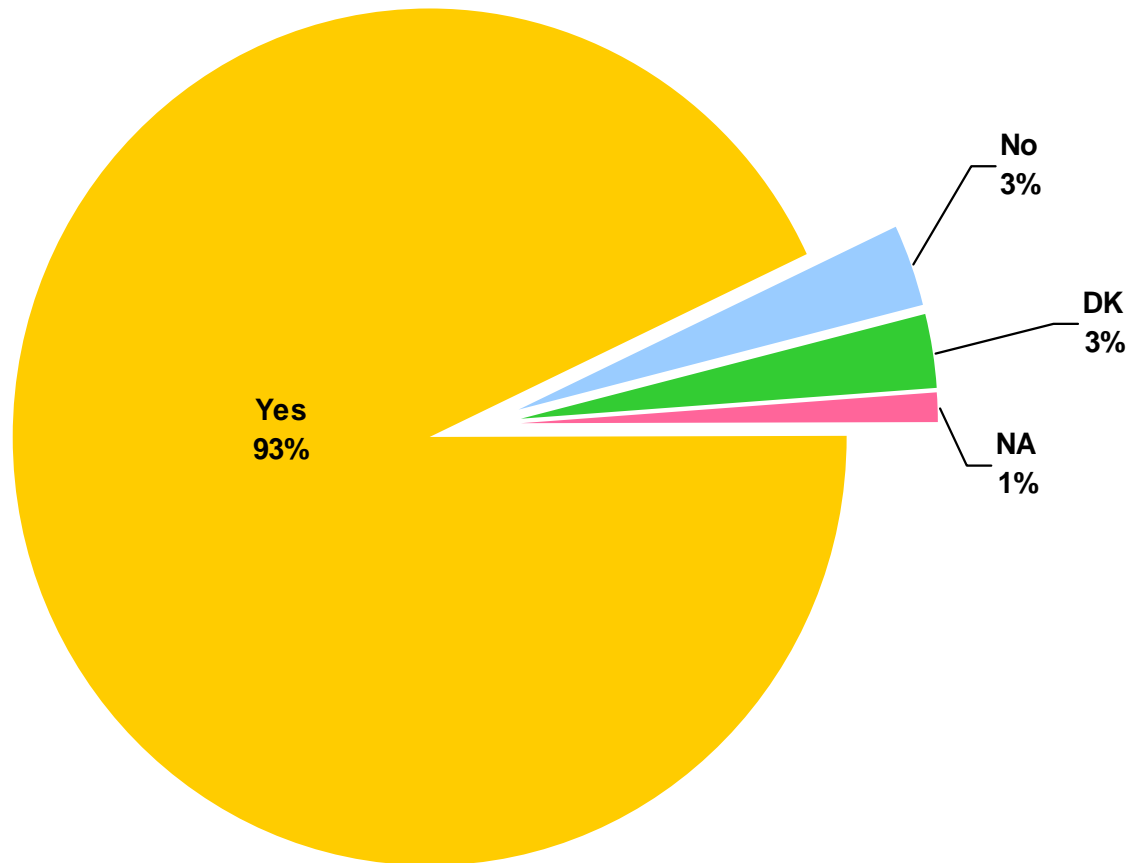
Bad security situation	45%
Presence of occupation	19%
Inactive government	9%
Insecurity and instability	5%
Unavailability of services	5%
Lack of national unity	2%

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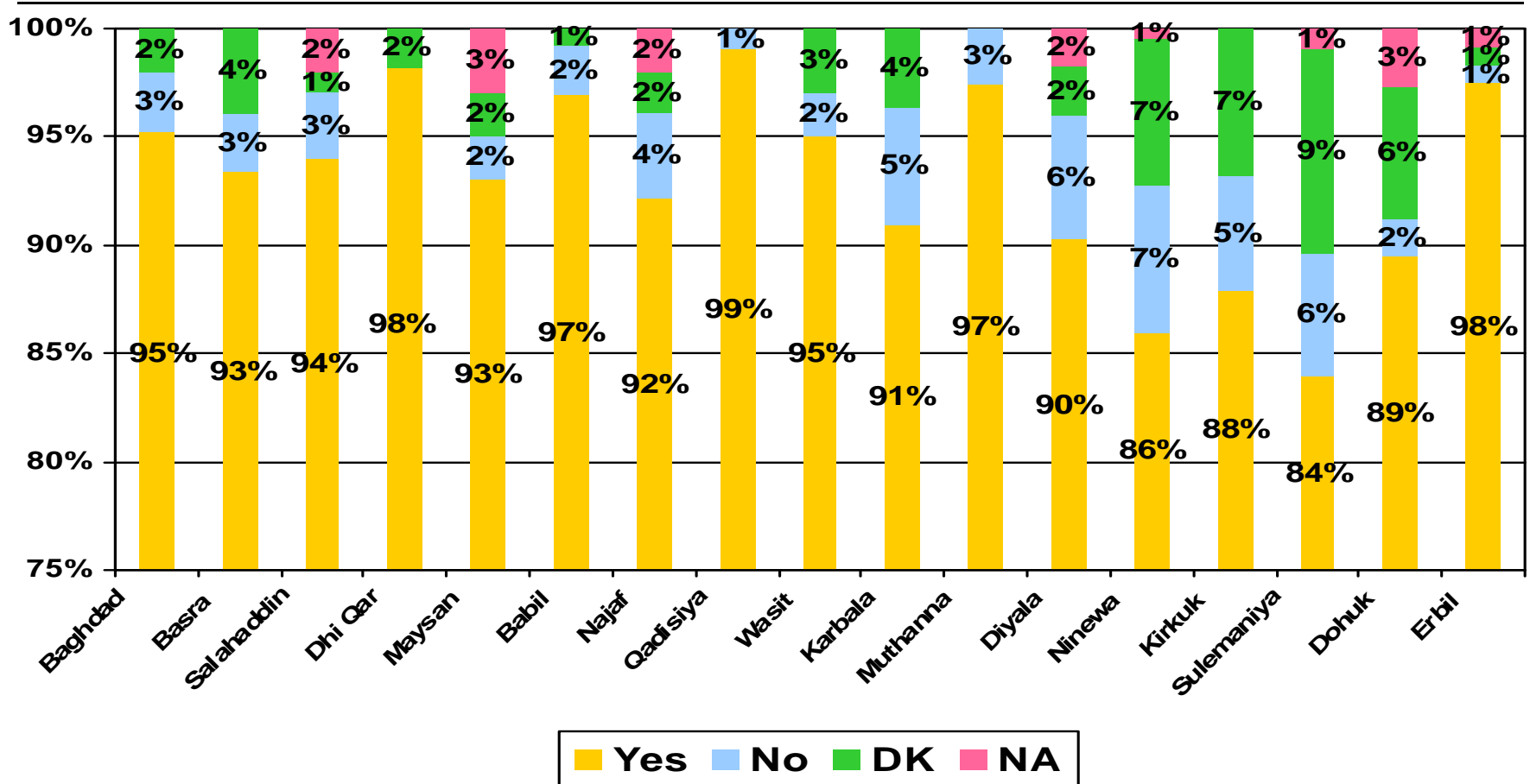
To the best of your knowledge, what will Iraqis vote for on
December 15, 2005?



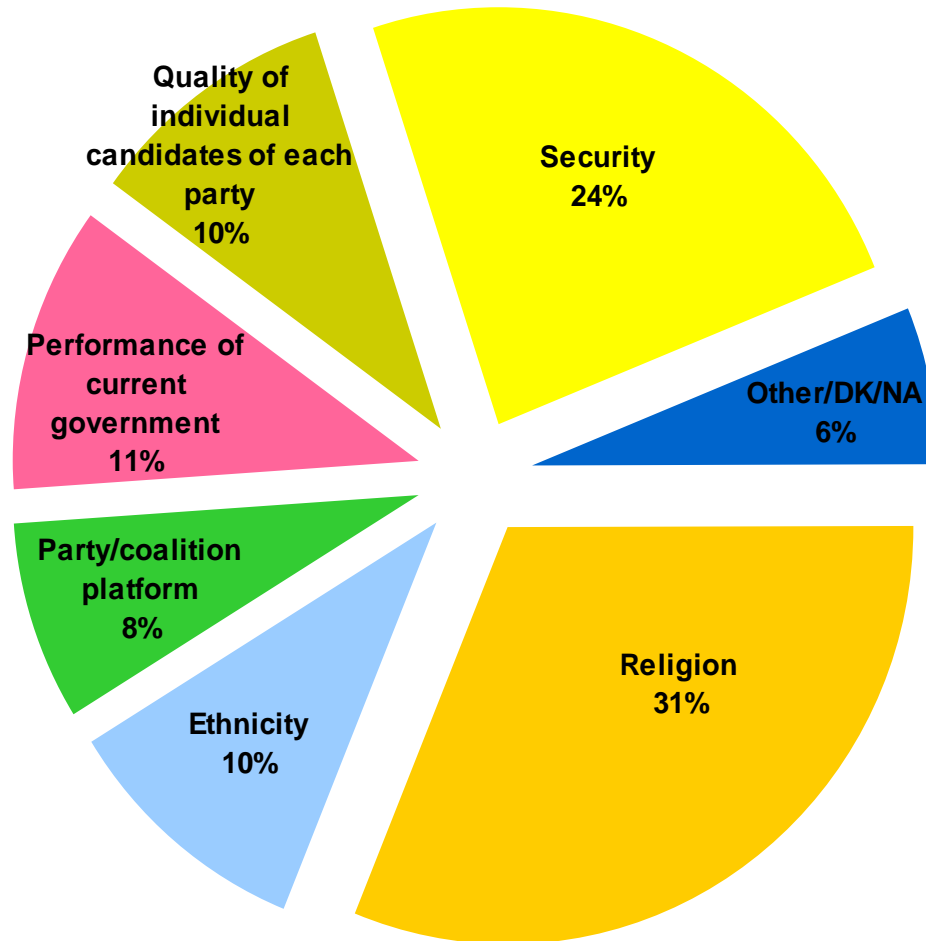
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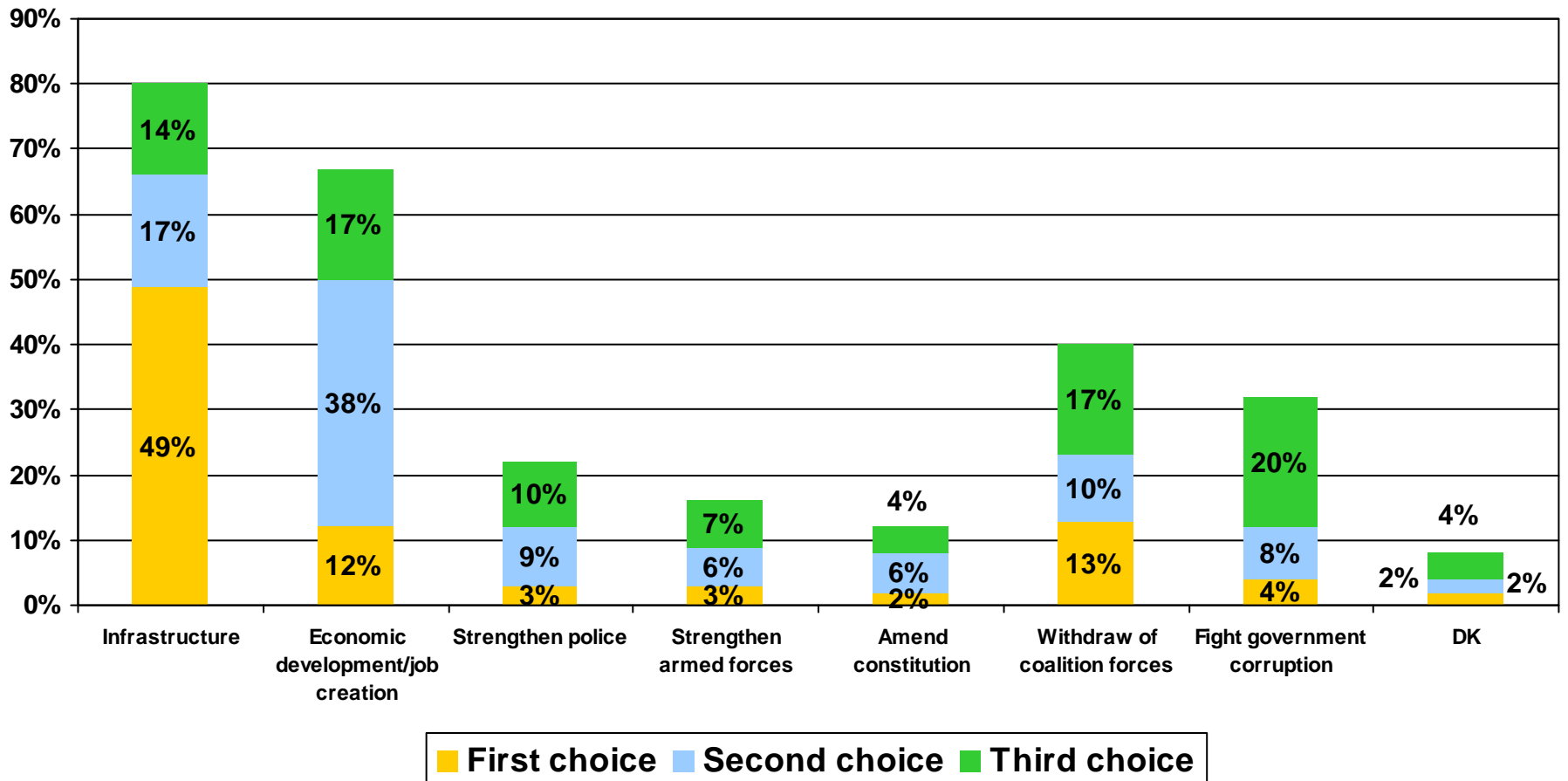
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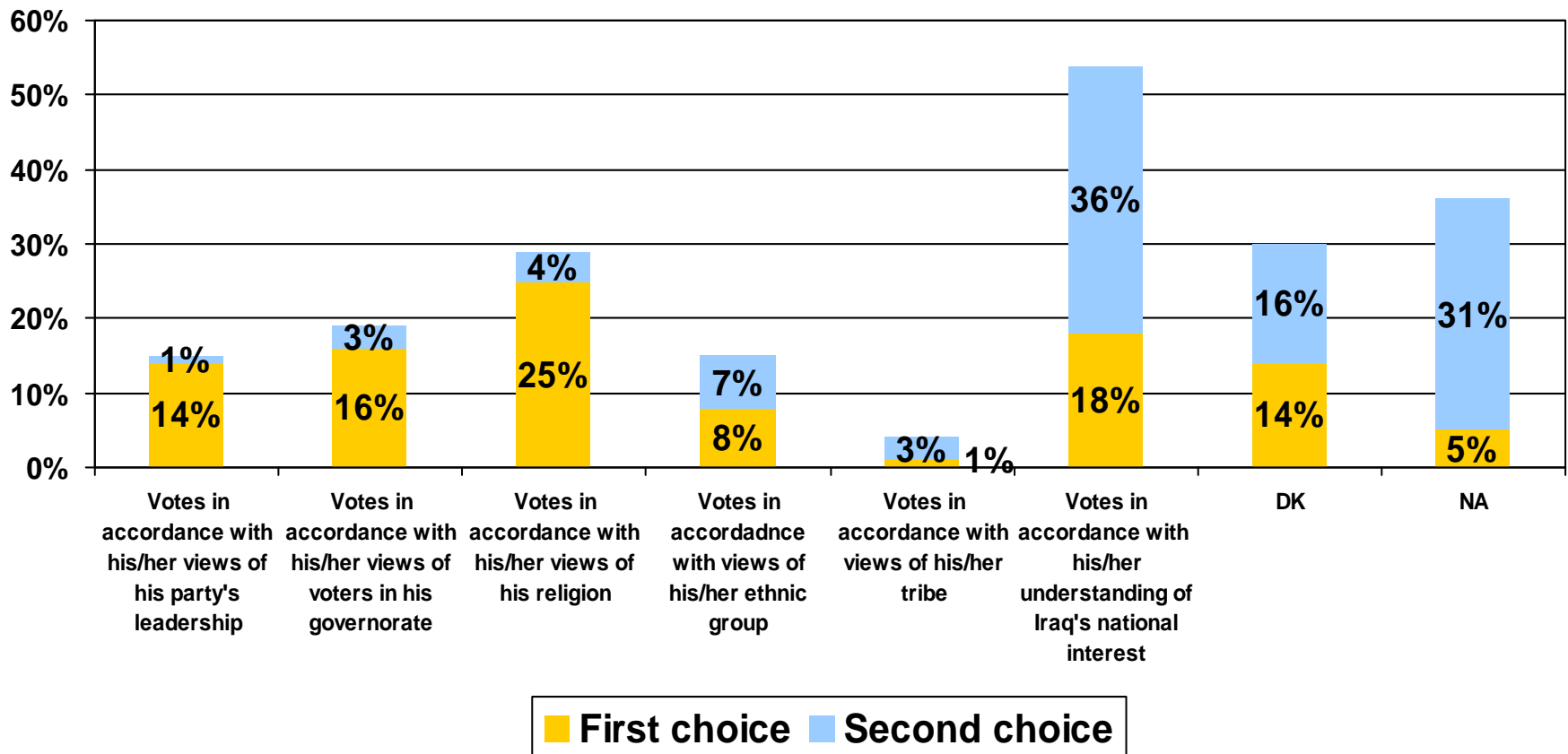
What factor will have the greatest influence on your vote in the December elections?



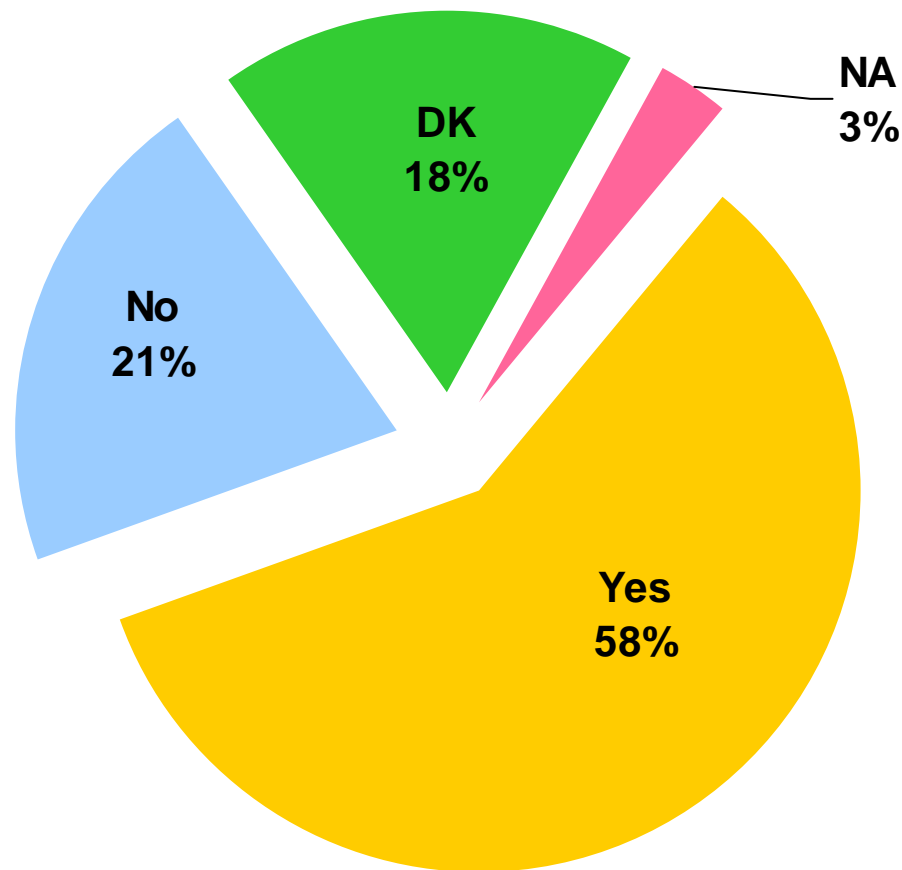
What do you want the party or coalition that you vote for on Election Day to make its highest priority in the new assembly's first year?



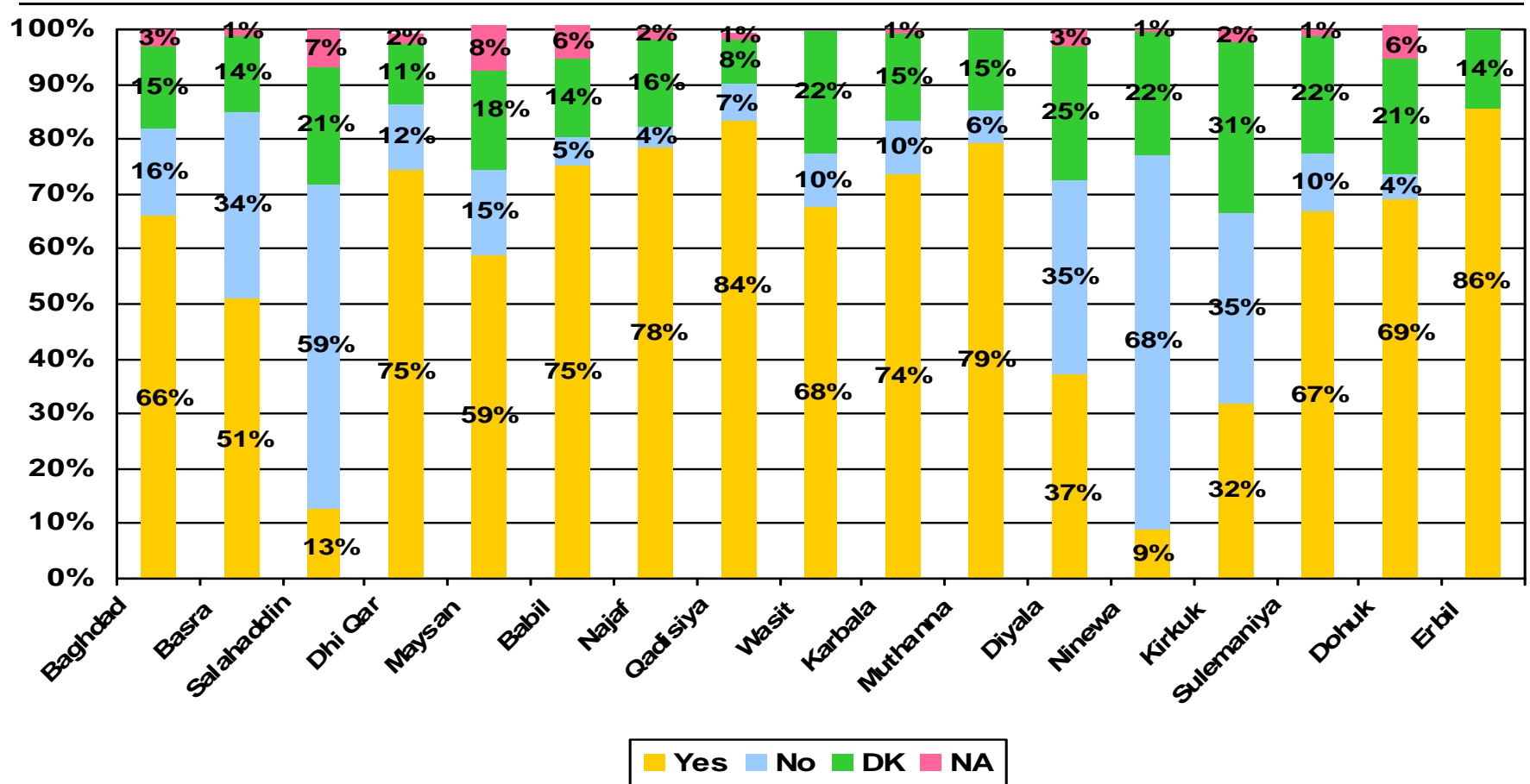
Which two of the following statements most accurately represents your opinion of the appropriate role of a legislator in the new assembly?



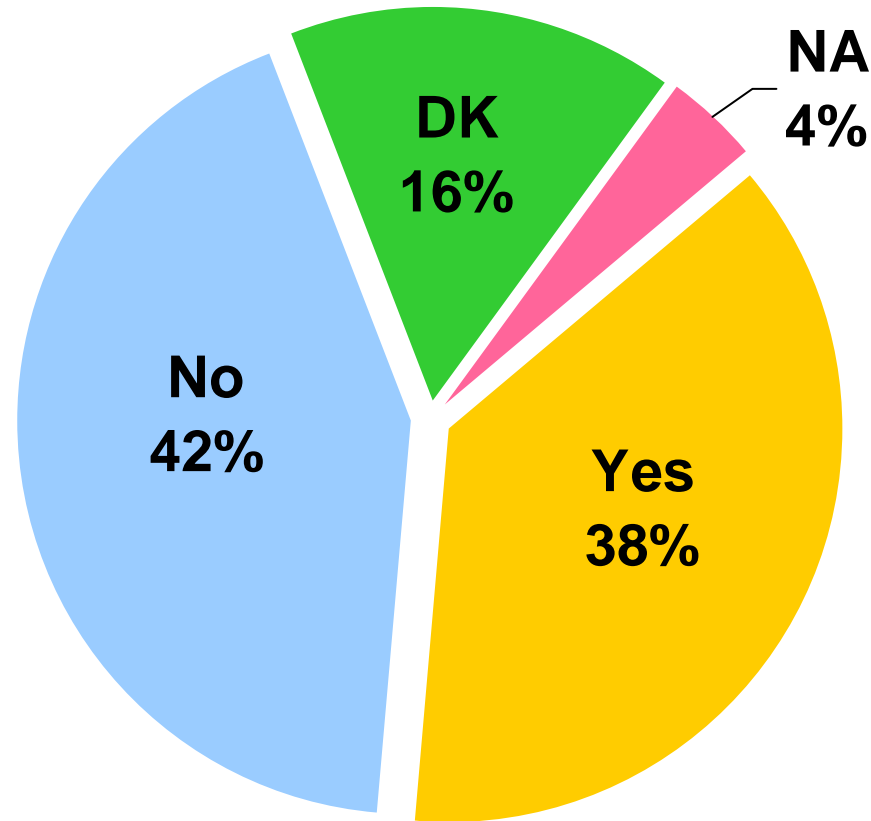
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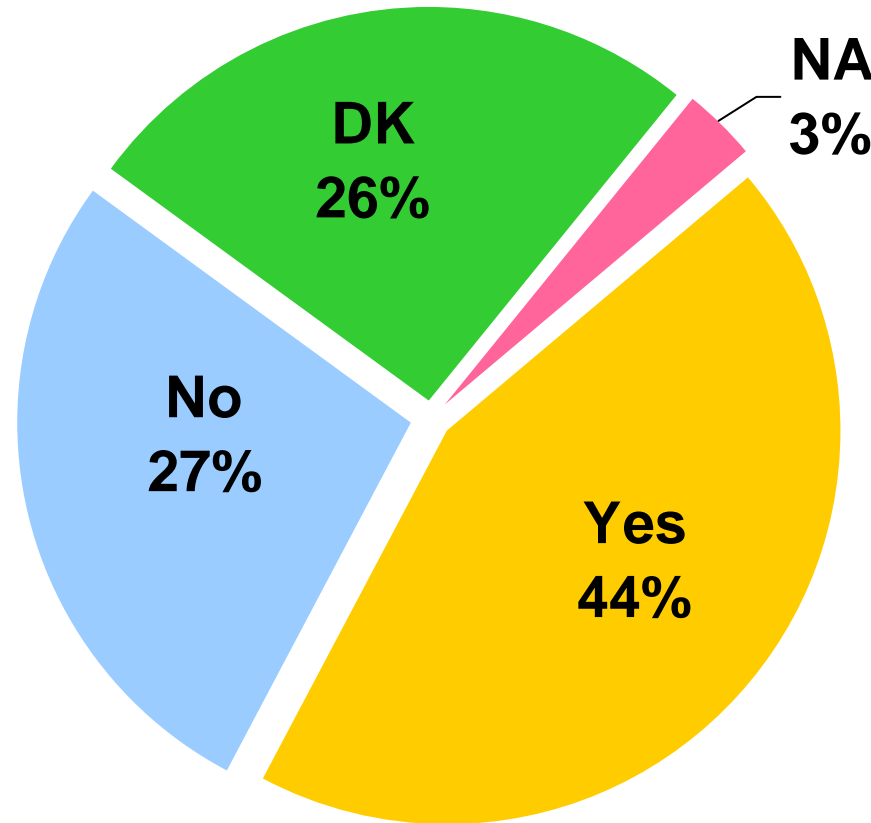
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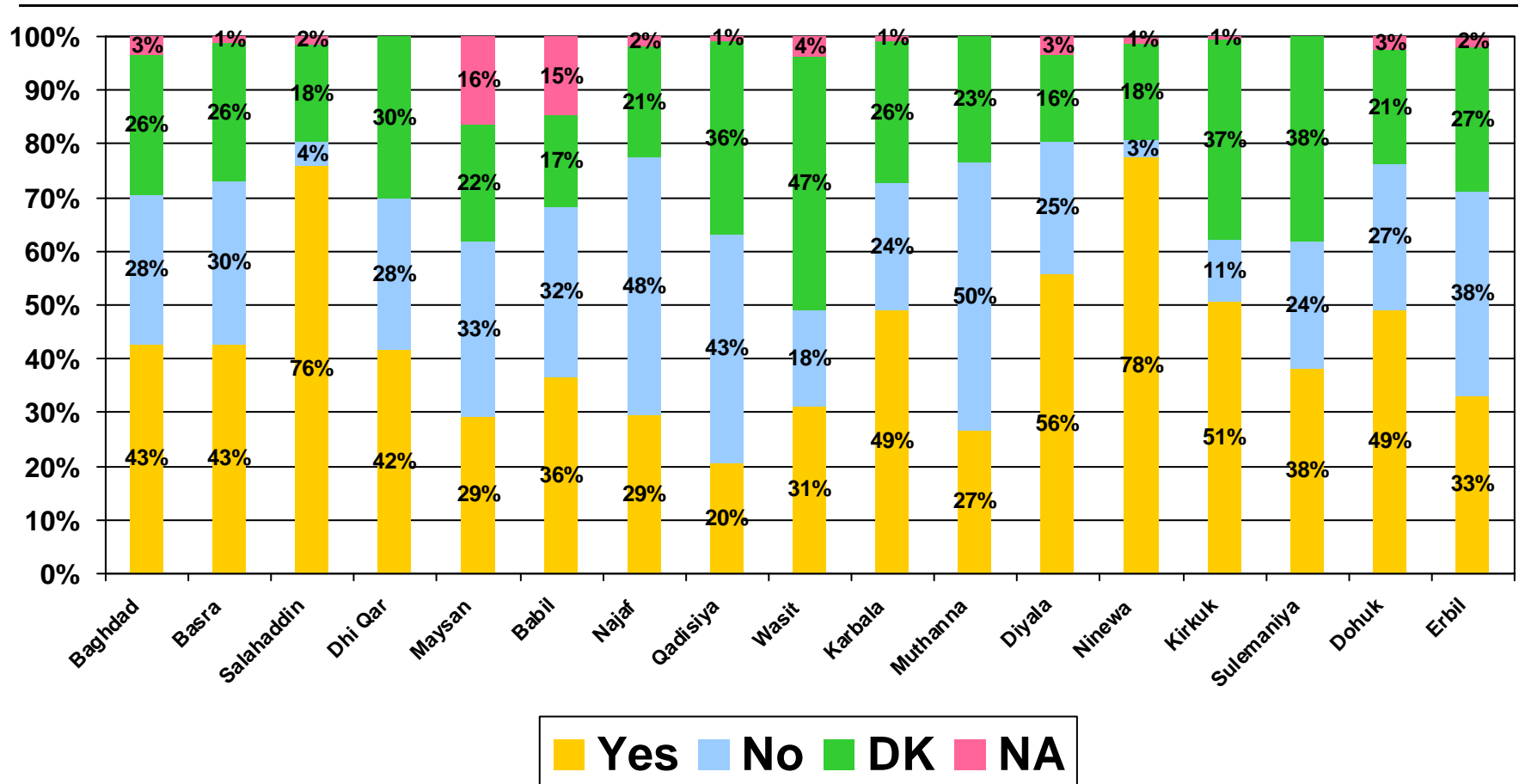
In your opinion, do you think that you adequately understand the basic principles enshrined in the new Iraqi constitution?



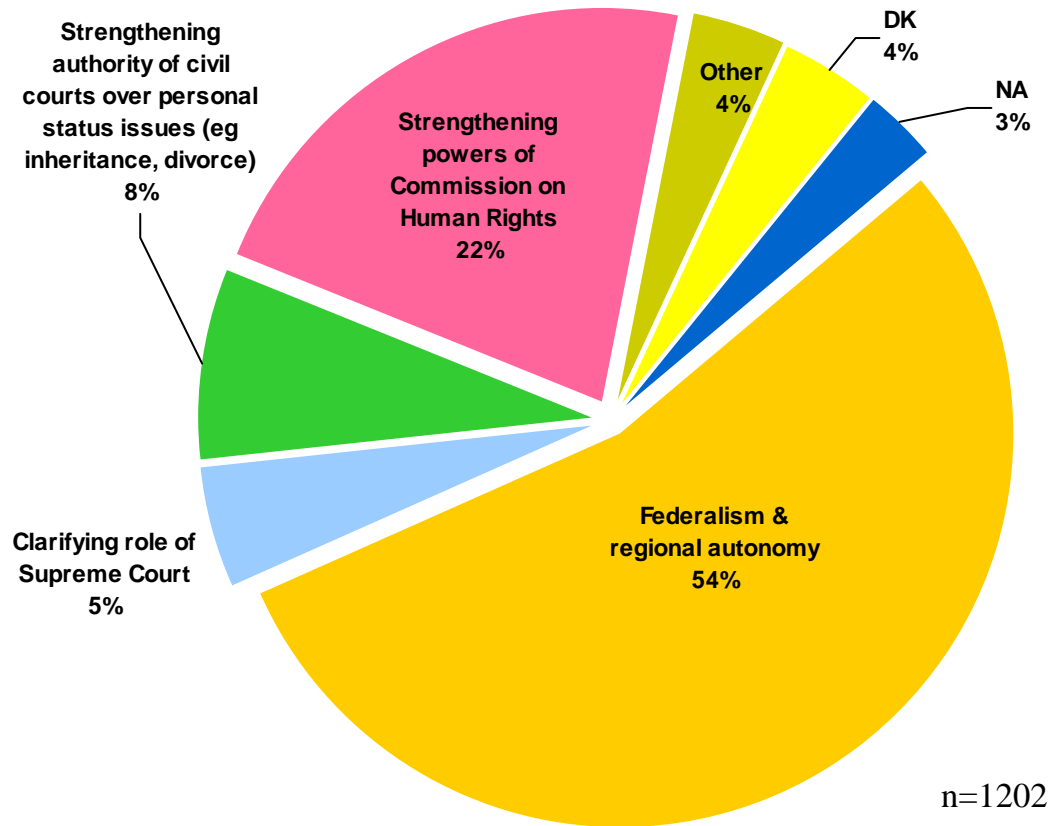
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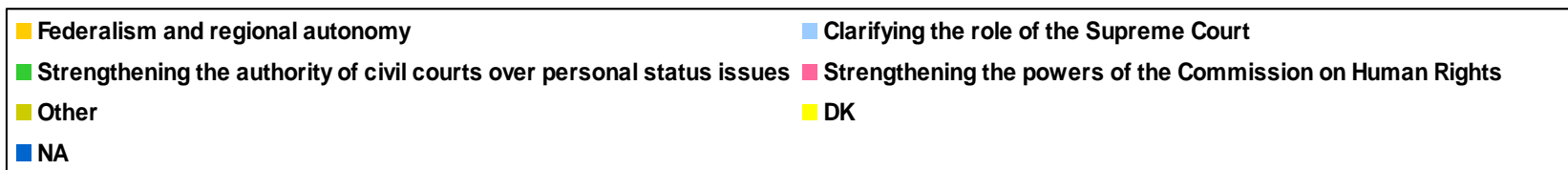
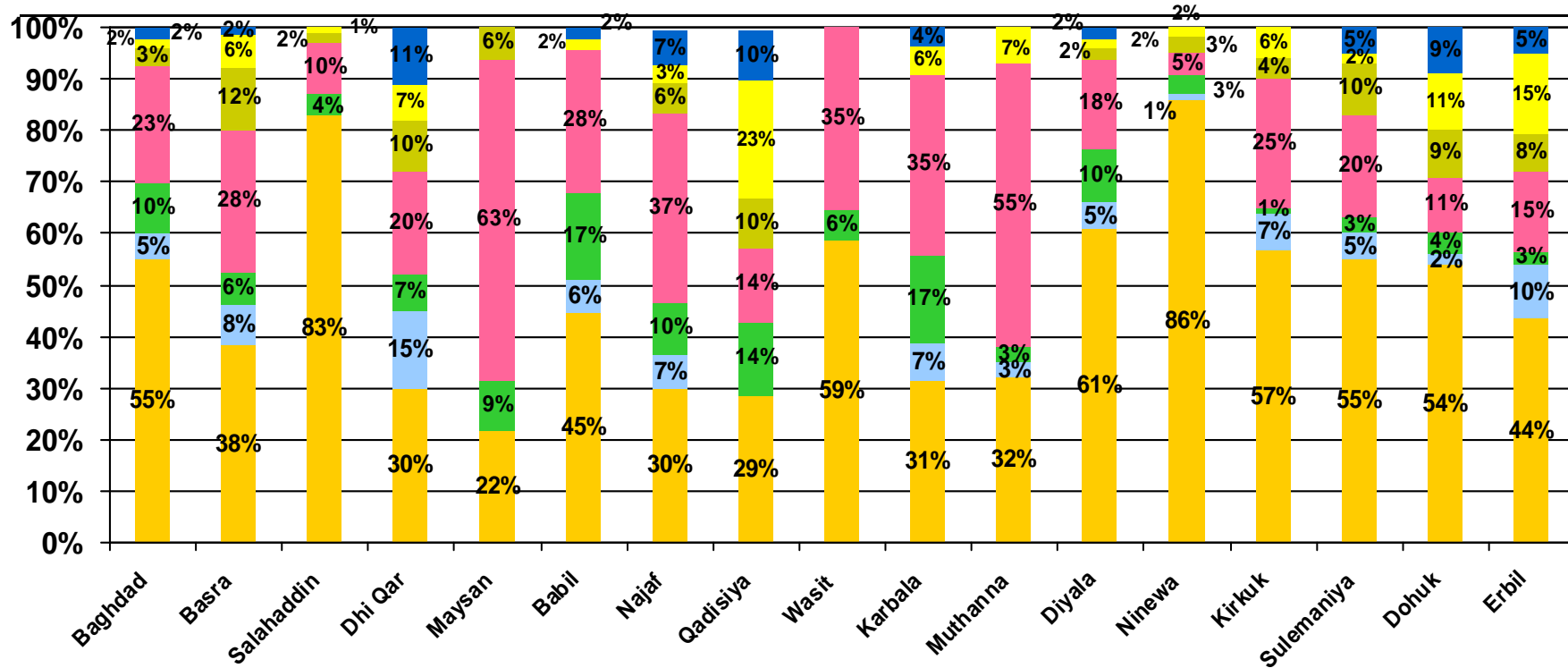
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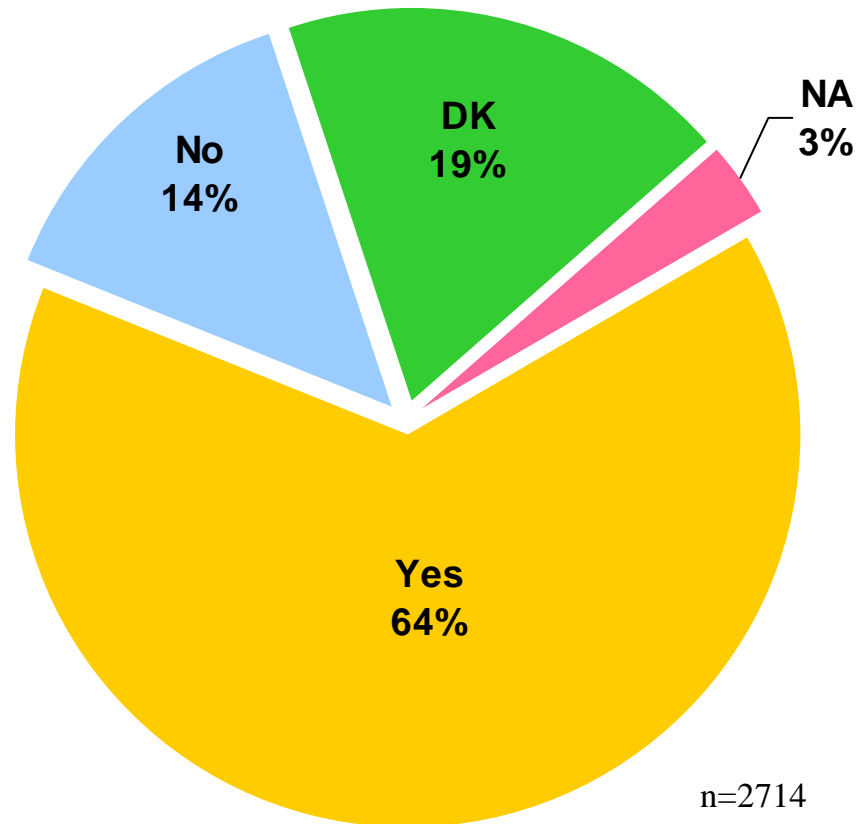




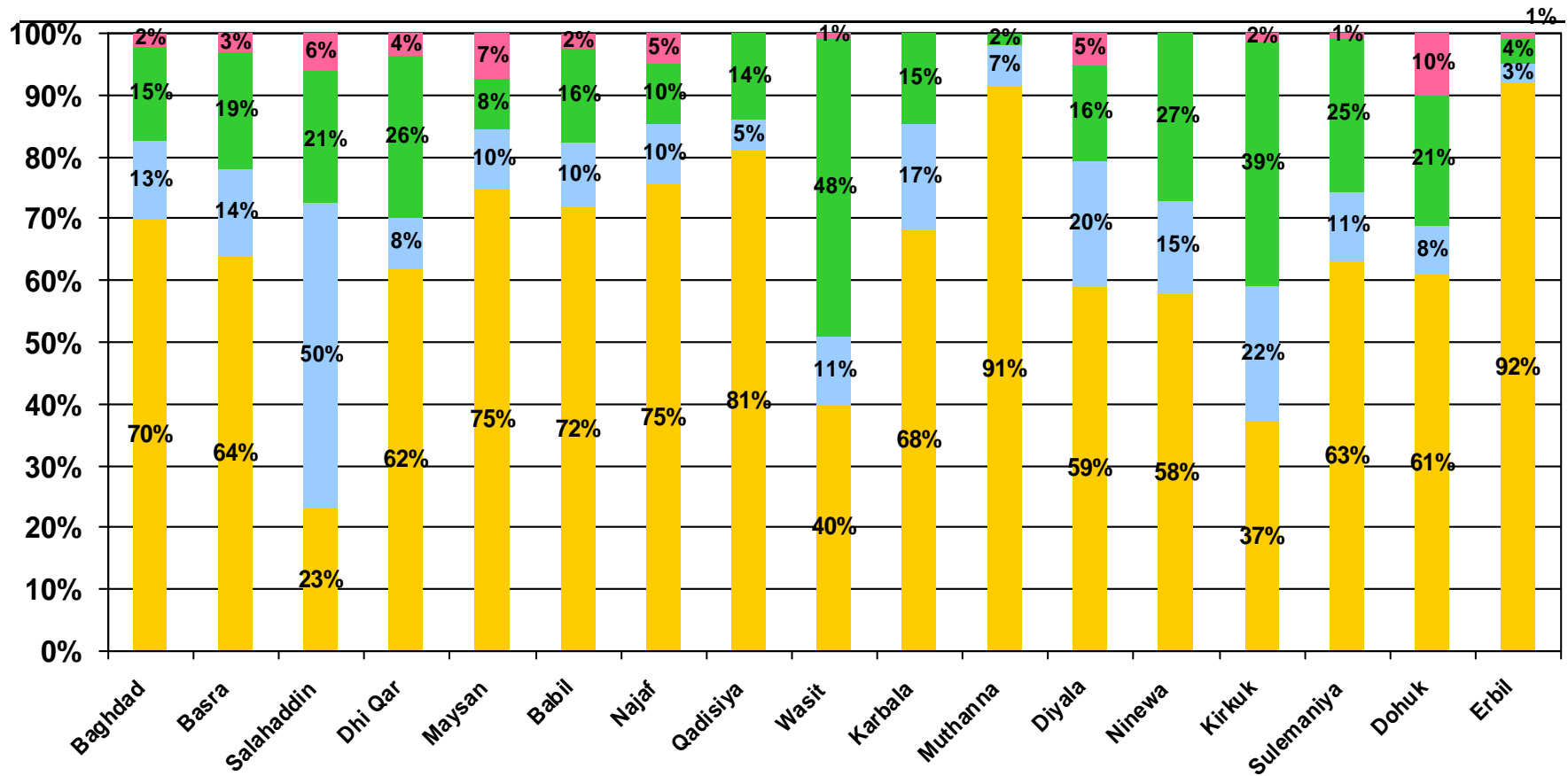
Attitudes towards women's rights and the constitution

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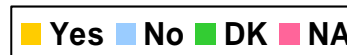
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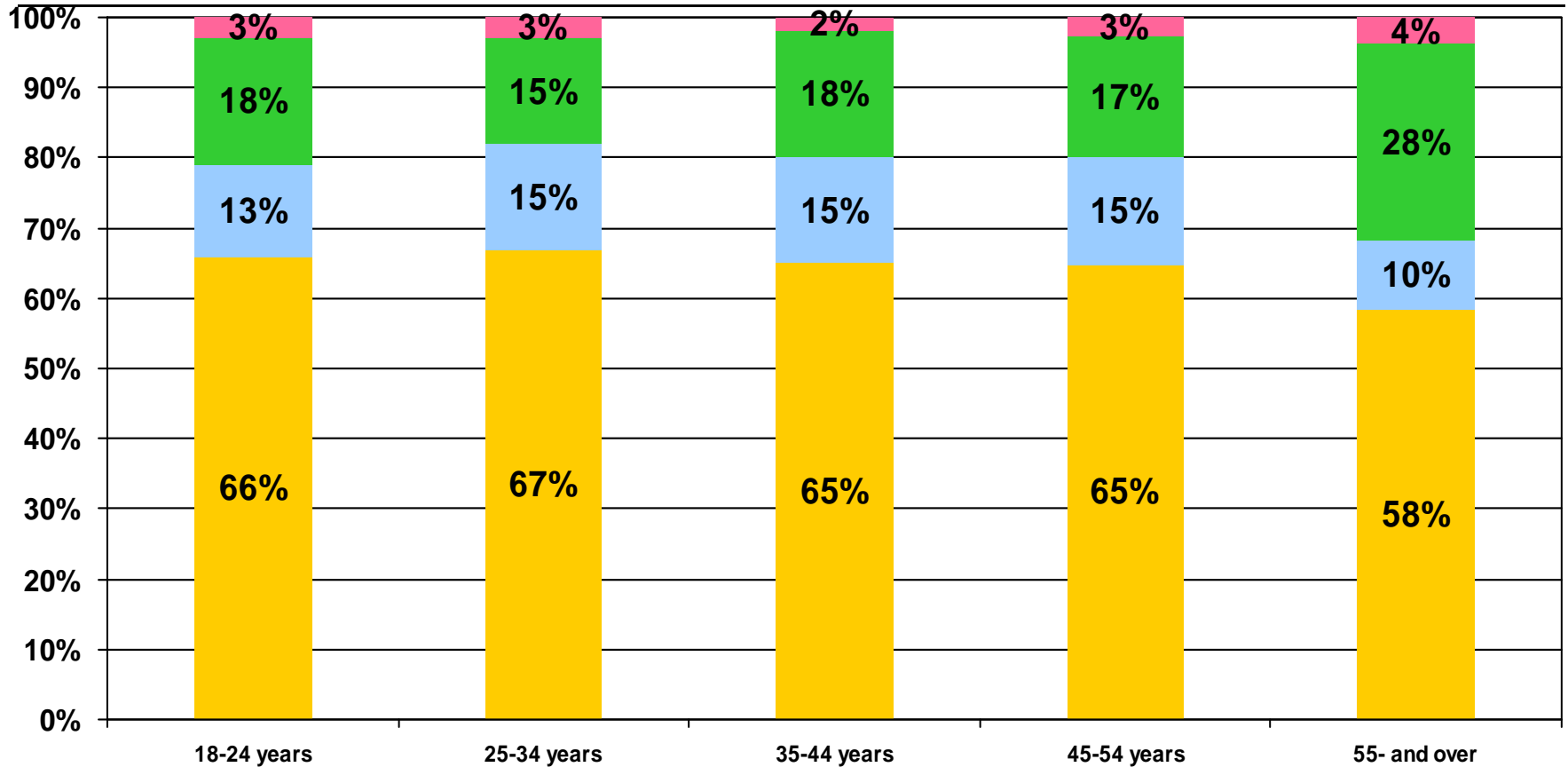
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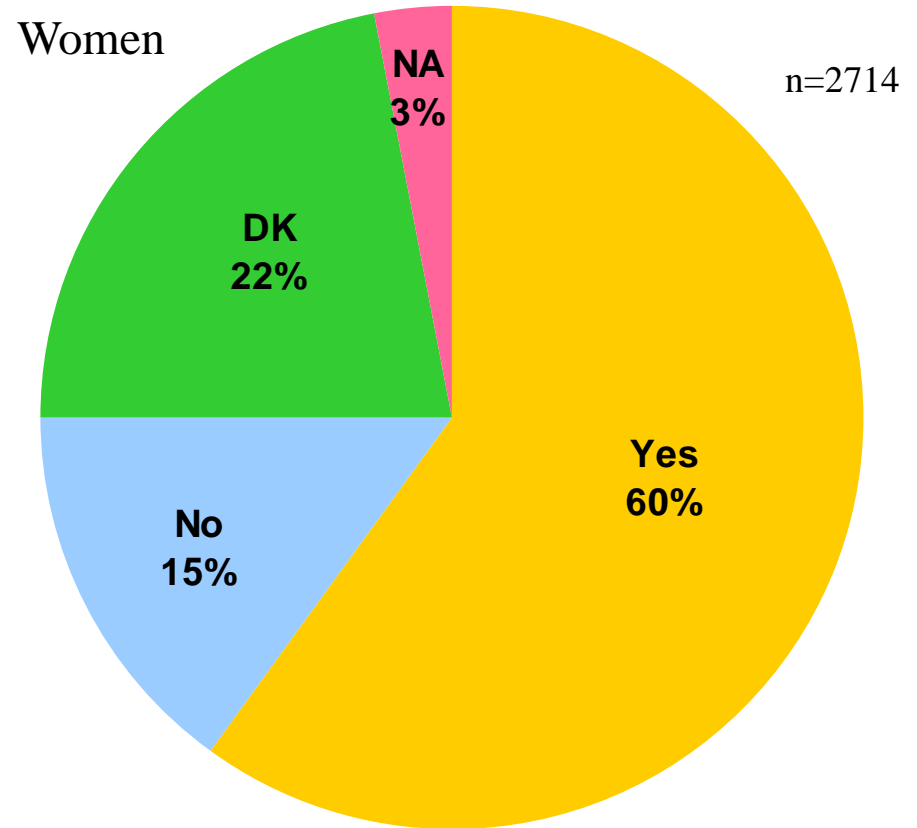
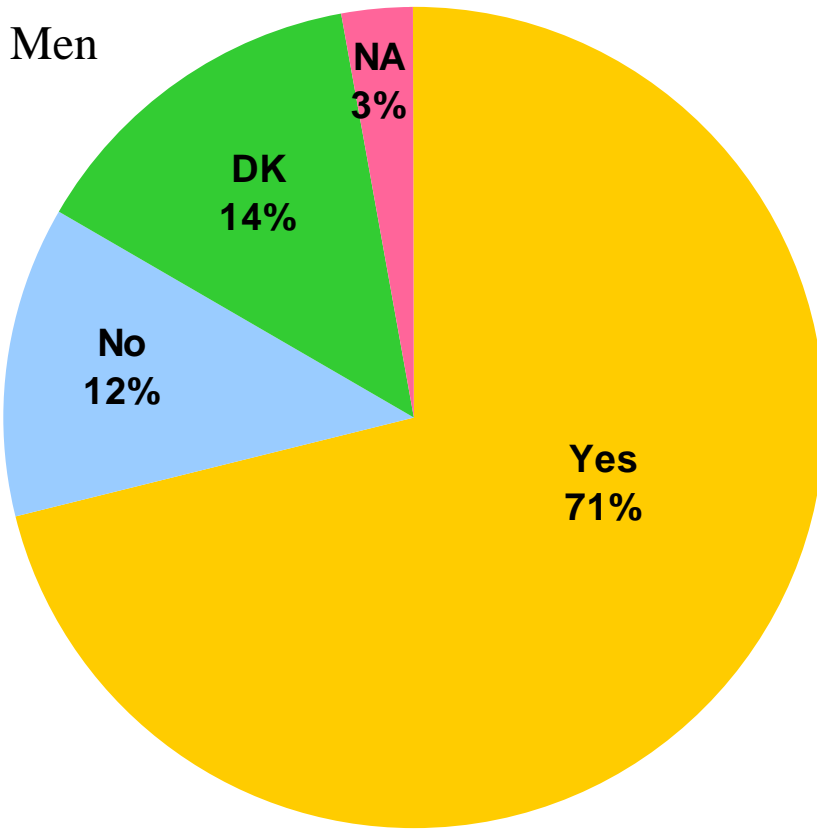
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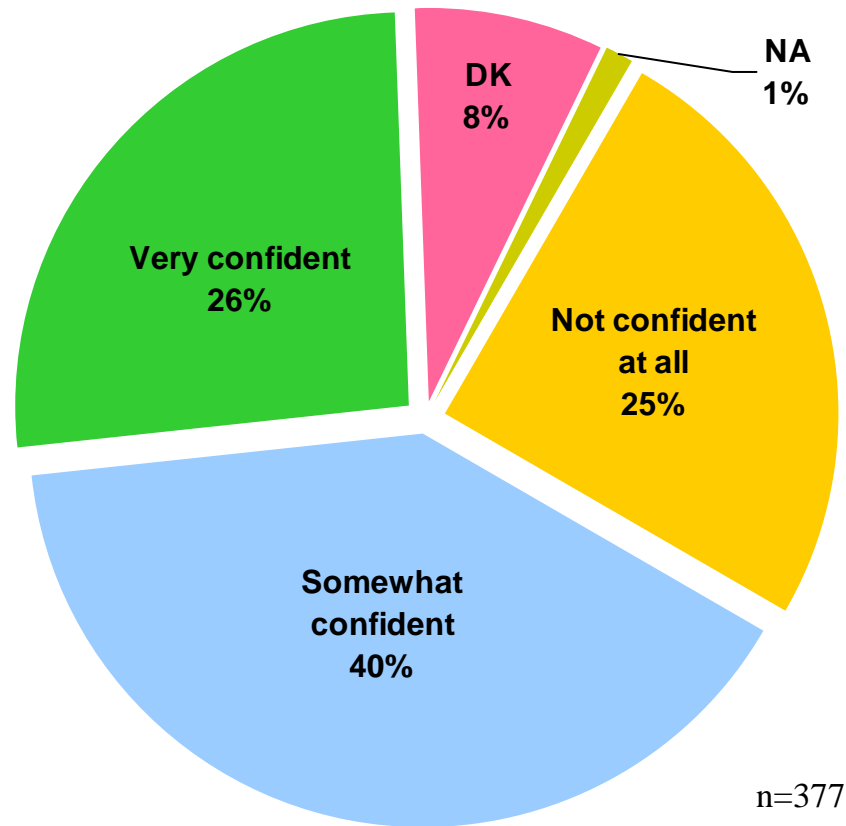
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Yes No DK NA

Do you believe that Iraqi women have adequate rights, opportunities and protections under the new constitution?



If you do not believe that Iraqi women have adequate rights/opportunities under the new constitution, how confident are you that Iraqi women will be able to secure greater rights, opportunities and protections through the upcoming constitutional amendment process?



If you do not believe that Iraqi women have adequate rights under the new constitution, are you today more or less optimistic than you were one year ago that Iraqi women will someday gain equal rights, opportunities and protections under the law?

