



Survey of Tunisian Public Opinion

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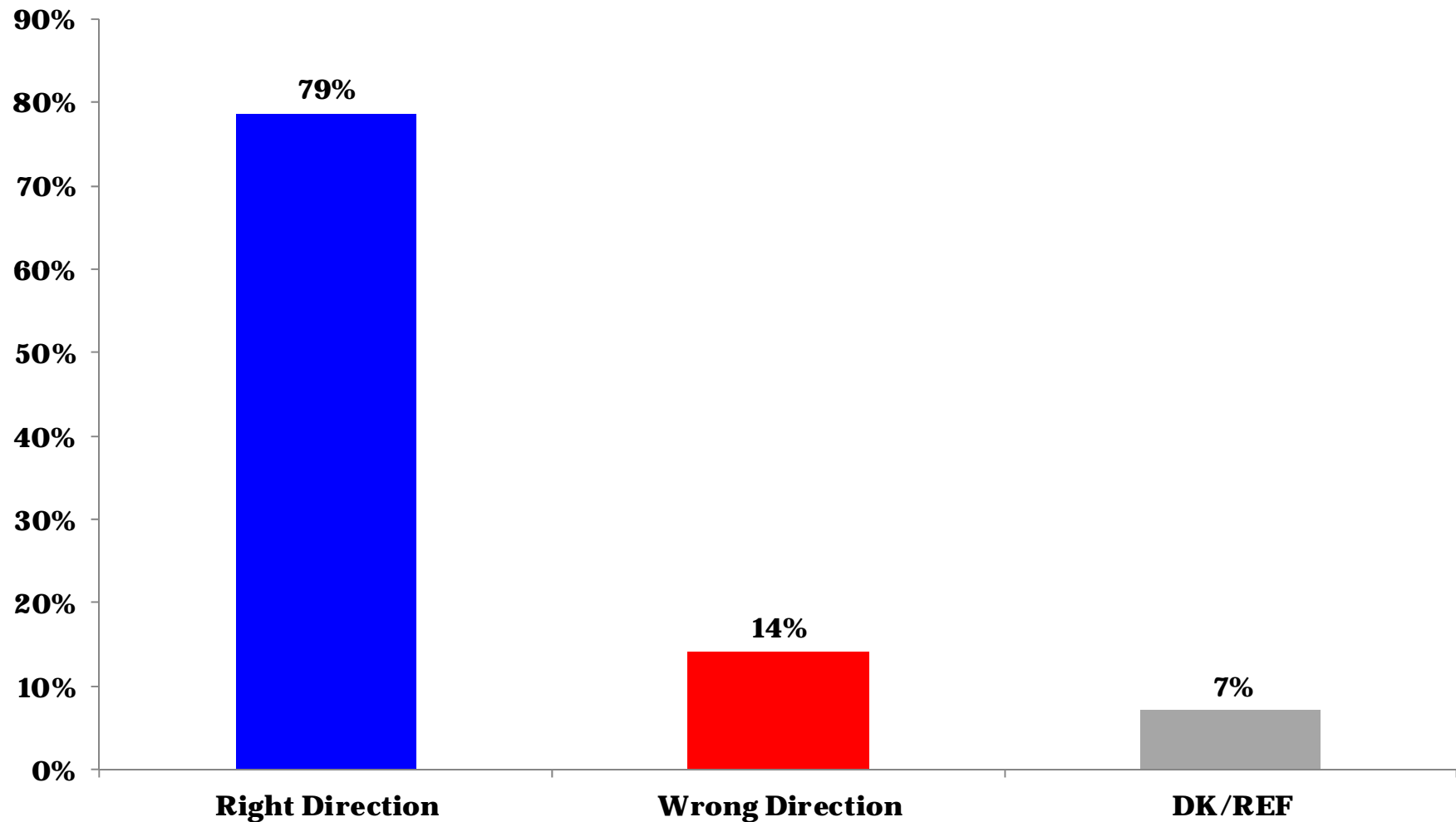
Survey Specifications



- The International Republican Institute (IRI) conducted a national survey of adult Tunisians (18+ years) from March 5-18, 2011.
- Data was collected in the field by a Tunisian owned and operated marketing research firm, ELKA Consulting, under the supervision of David Williams from Williams and Associates of Salem, Massachusetts.
- Interviewing was collected using the in-person, face-to-face methodology by trained professional interviewers using a multistage stratification proportionate to population sample distribution, with random selection of households and respondents using the Kish method.
- A total of 1,293 interviews were completed yielding an overall margin of error of ± 2.78 percent at the midrange of the 95 percent confidence level.
- The male-to-female ratio of respondents was 51 percent male to 49 percent female.
- The urban-to-rural ratio of respondents was 60 percent urban to 40 percent rural.
- The geographic and demographic distributions conform to the most recent generally accepted official statistics available.
- Stratification is based on population distribution according to the latest census.
- 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.
- This poll was conducted with support from the National Endowment for Democracy.



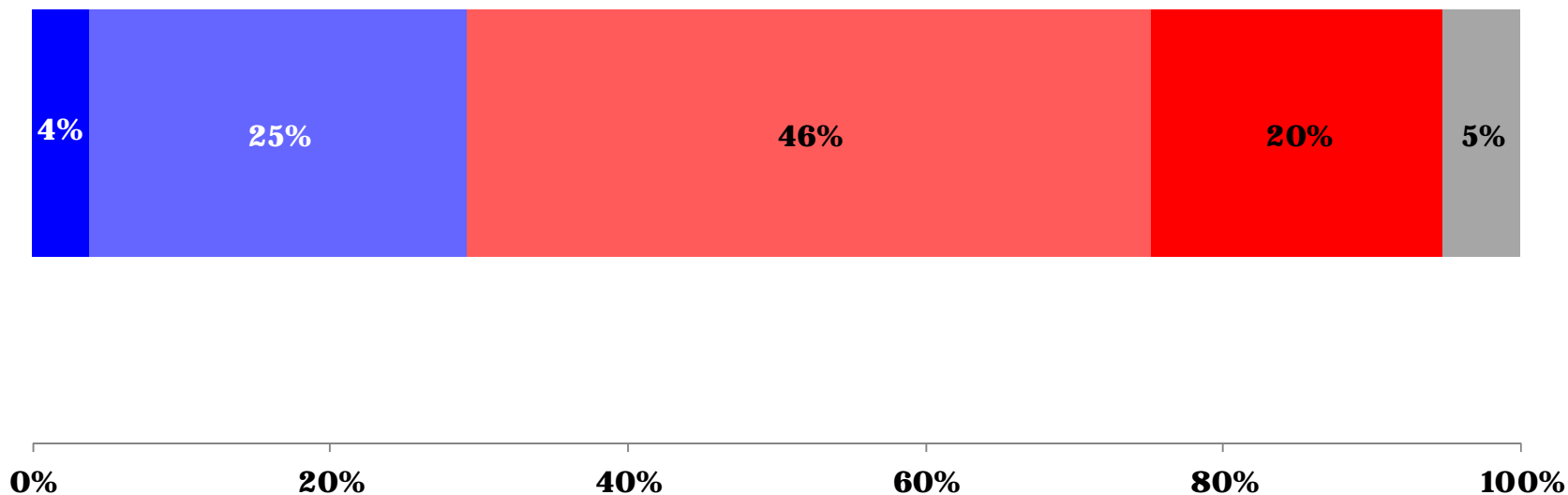
How would you say that things are going in Tunisia these days, are things going in the right direction or the wrong direction?





How would you describe the current economic situation in Tunisia?

■ **Very Good** ■ **Somewhat Good** ■ **Somewhat Bad** ■ **Very Bad** ■ **DK/REF**





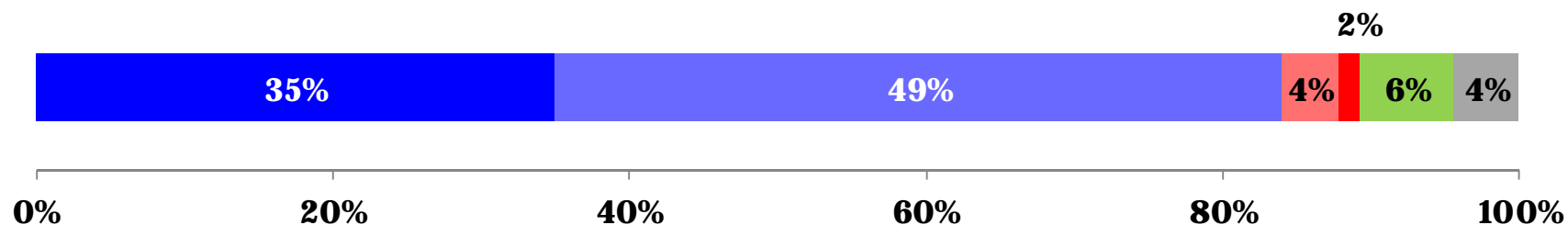
Has your household's financial situation gotten better or worse over the last year?

■ Much Better ■ Somewhat Better ■ Somewhat Worse ■ Much Worse ■ Same ■ DK/REF



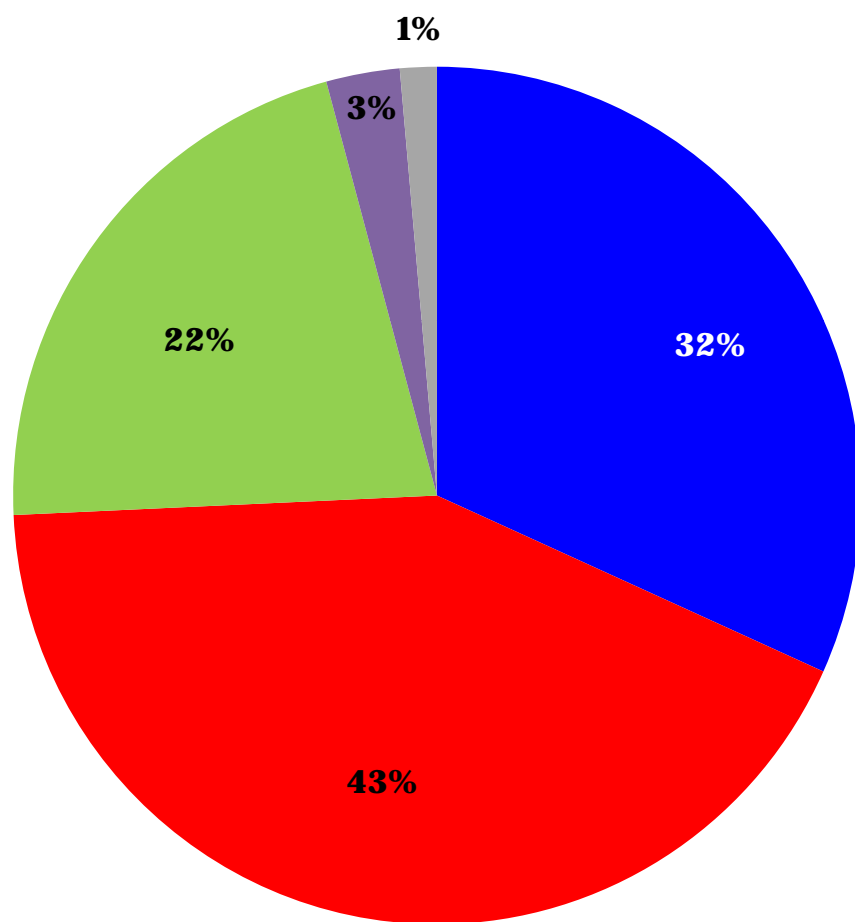
Thinking ahead to next year, do you expect your household's financial situation to be better or worse?

■ Much Better ■ Somewhat Better ■ Somewhat Worse ■ Much Worse ■ Same ■ DK/REF





Which answer best describes your current economic situation?



- **I have trouble feeding myself and my family and buying even the most essential things for survival.**
- **I have enough means for survival, but I do not have enough money for extra things.**
- **I am able to afford things like new clothes and eating at restaurants, but not very often.**
- **I am able to afford things like new clothes and eating out and also support other members of my family who cannot.**
- **DK/REF**

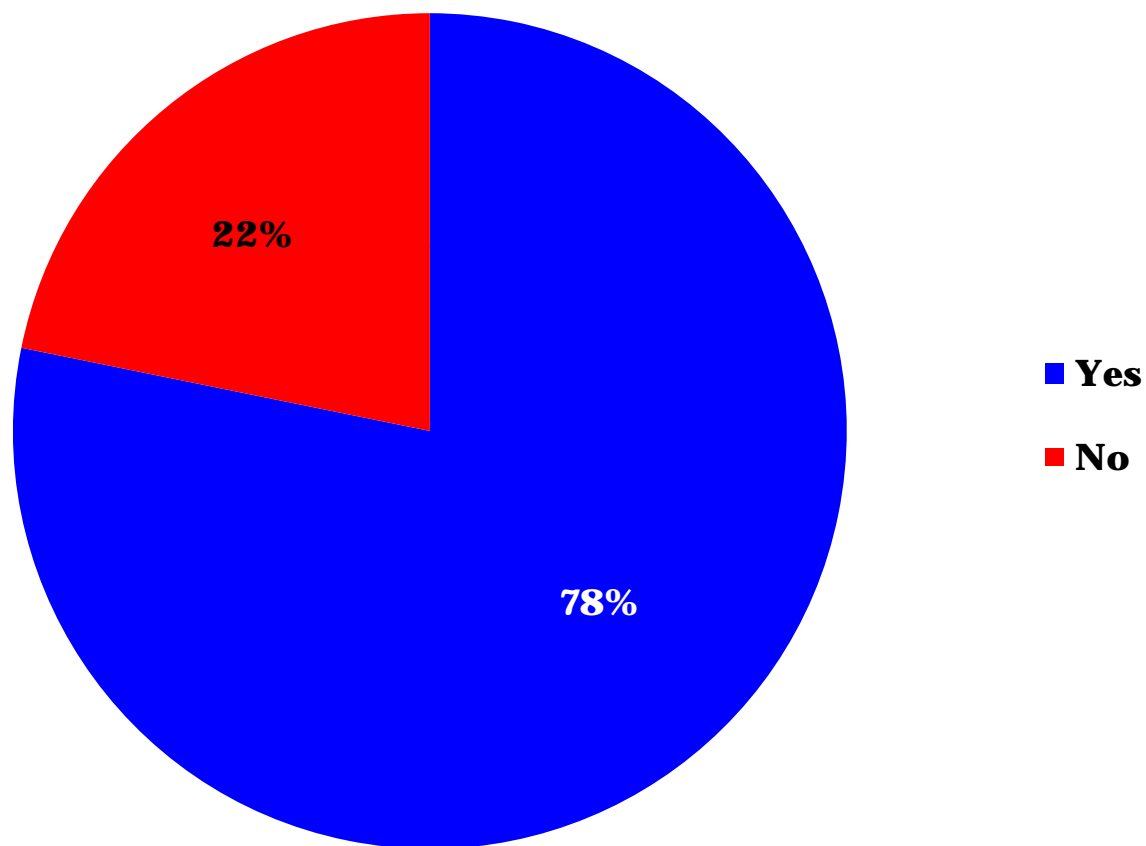


Thinking about the current government, which of the following should be a top priority?

Issue	First Mention	Second Mention	Third Mention	Total
Provide Jobs for the Unemployed	35%	32%	25%	92%
Stimulate the Economy	20%	31%	21%	72%
Organize Free and Fair Elections	30%	15%	27%	72%
Decrease the Price of Basic Goods	14%	22%	25%	61%
Don't Know	—	—	2%	2%
Refused to Answer	—	1%	—	1%



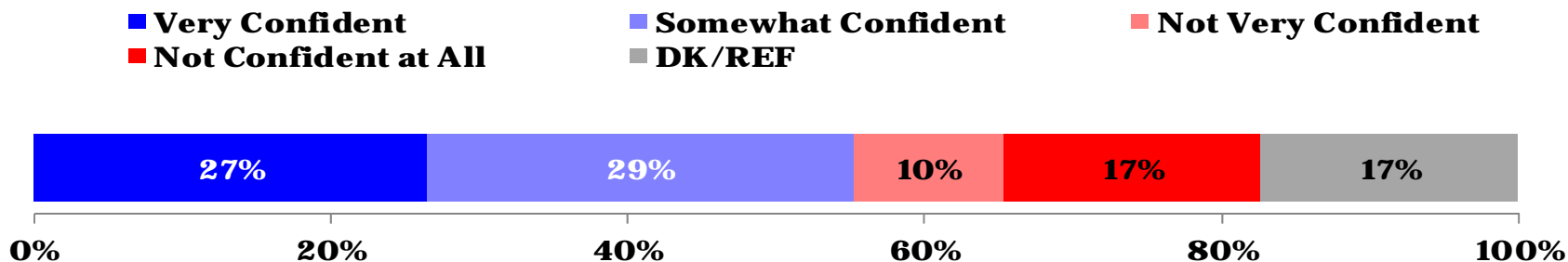
Have you heard of the three commissions created to address the issues of corruption, political reform, and human rights violations during the uprisings?



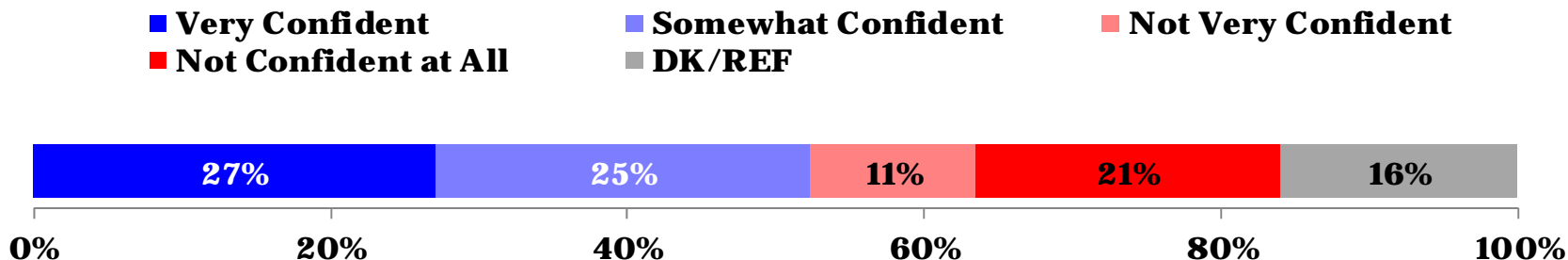


If you have heard of the commissions, how confident are you that each will work for the benefit of Tunisia? (n=1,011)

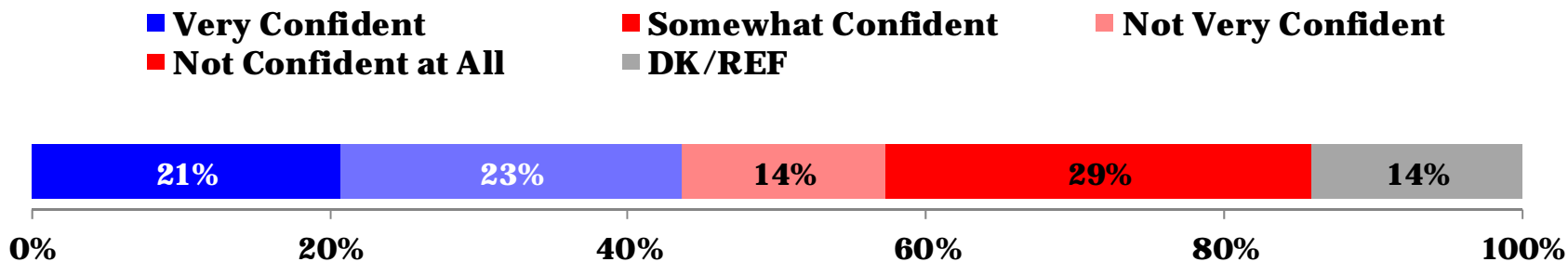
Political Reform Commission



Human Rights Commission

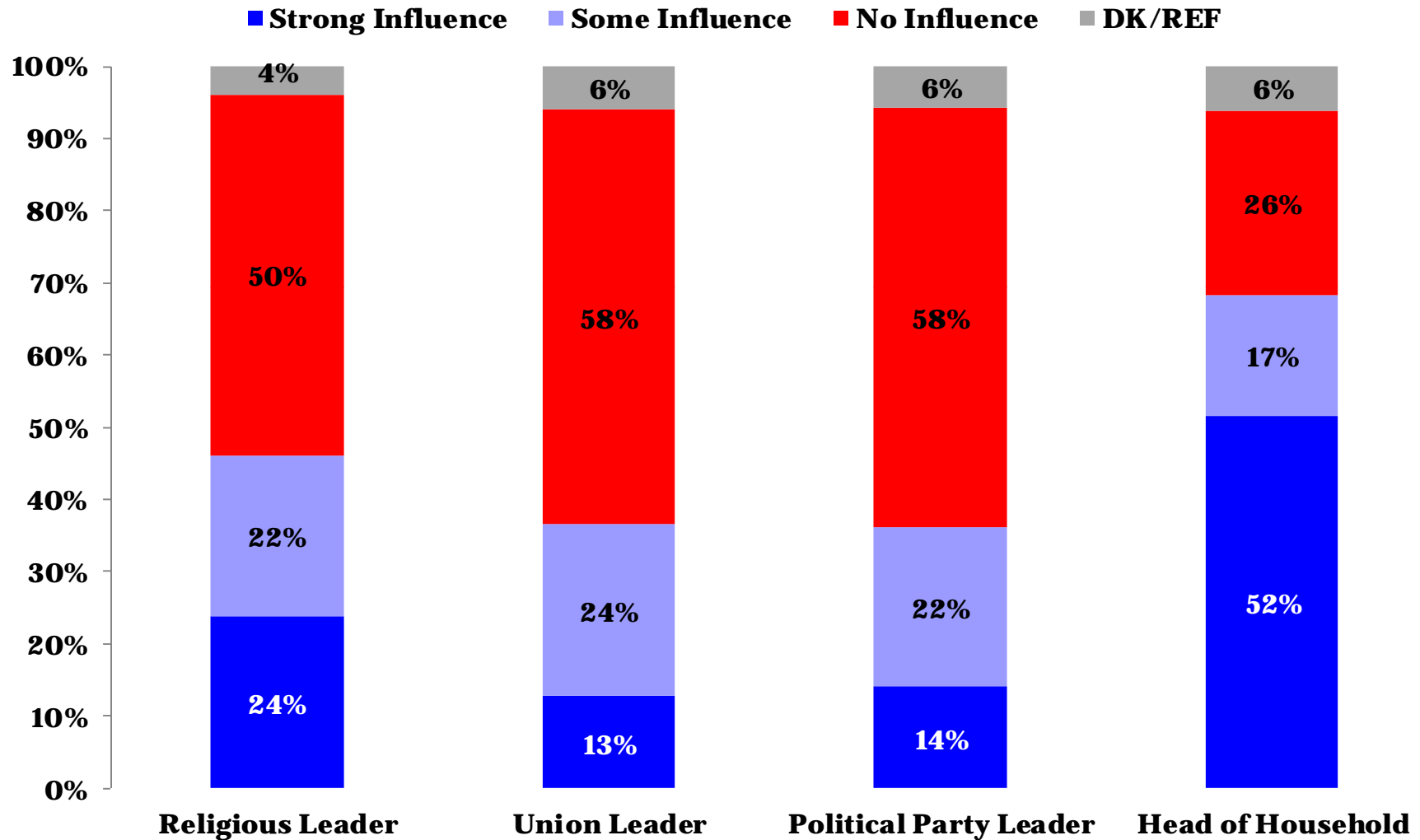


Corruption Commission



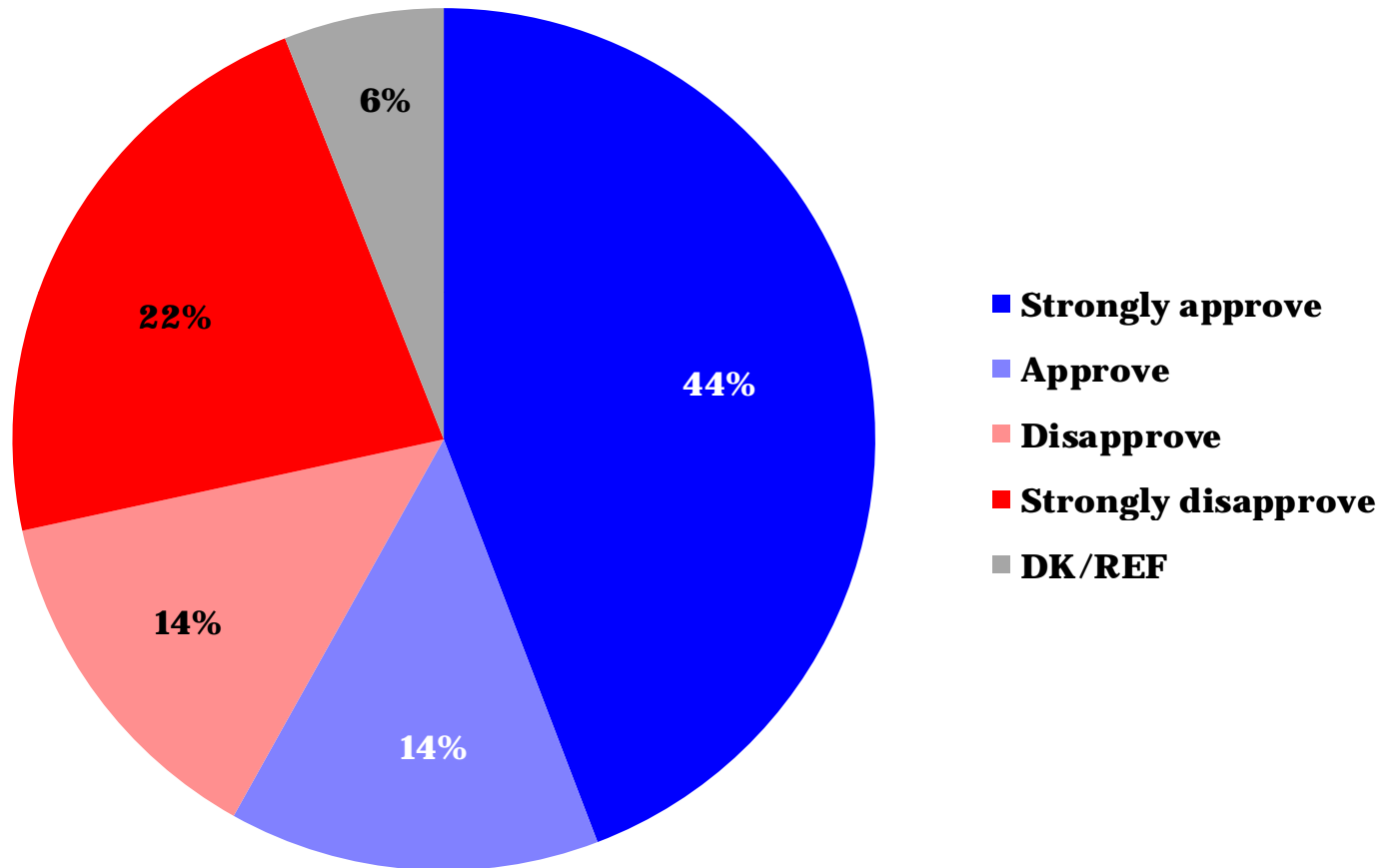


Now, I am going to read you a list of different types of individuals. Please tell me if that individual's opinion has a strong influence, some influence or has no influence on you and your opinion on current events and politics.



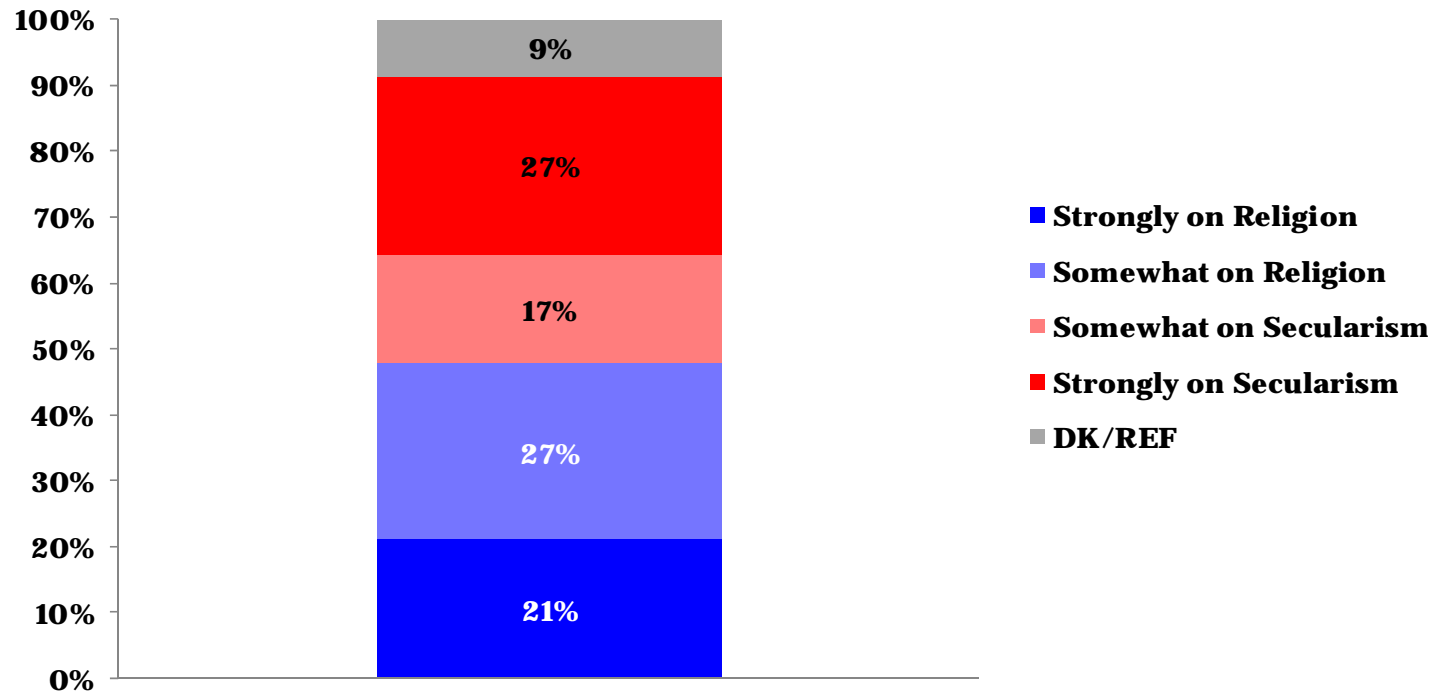


Do you approve or disapprove of Prime Minister Mohammed Ghannouchi's resignation?





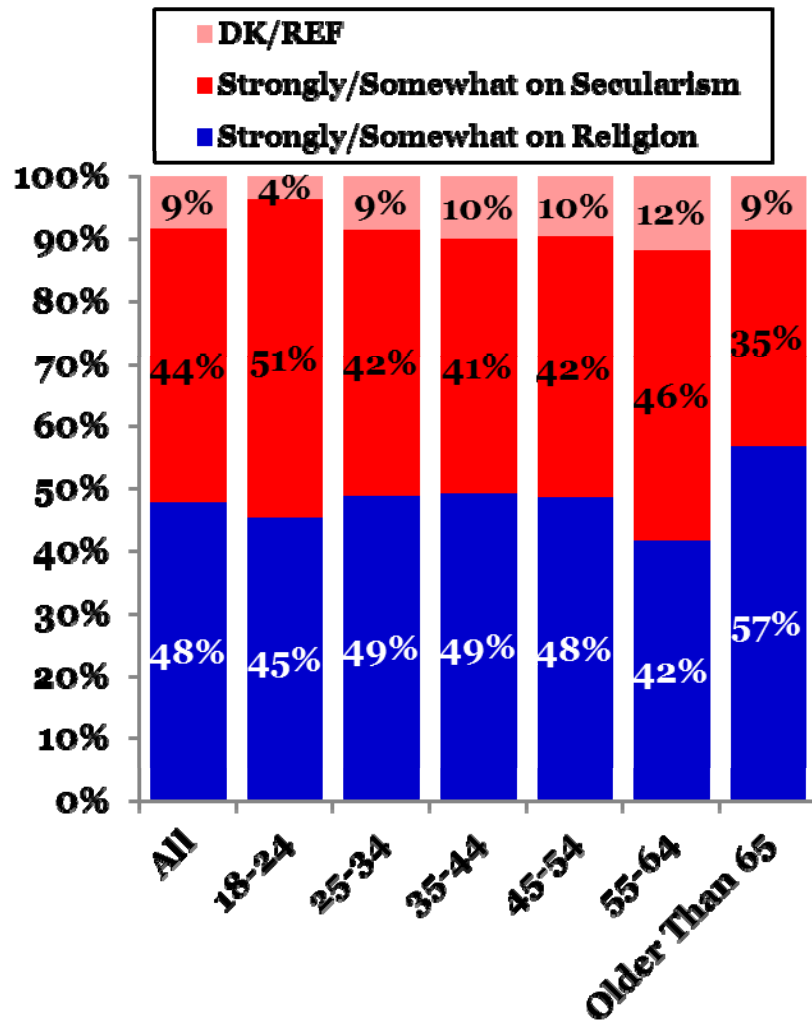
**Thinking of Tunisia's political life, would you prefer that politics be based on religion or on secularism?
And would you say you strongly prefer (religion/secularism) or only somewhat prefer (religion/secularism)?**



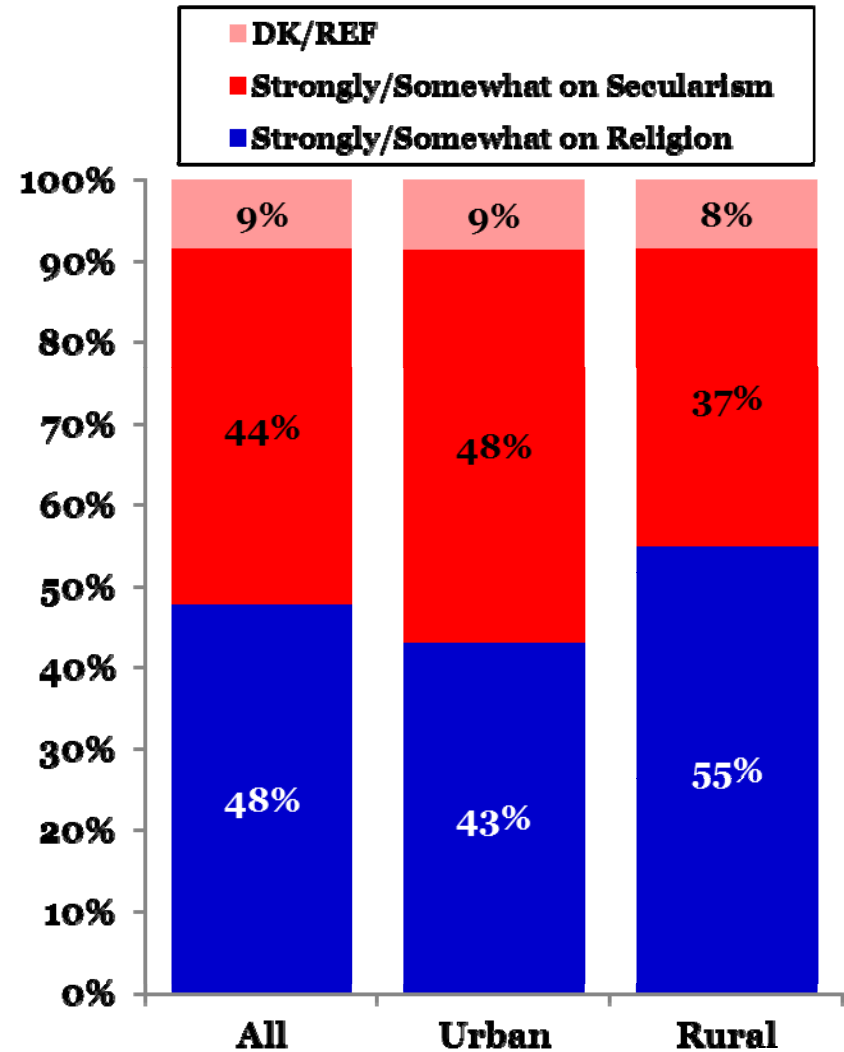


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(Age Comparison)

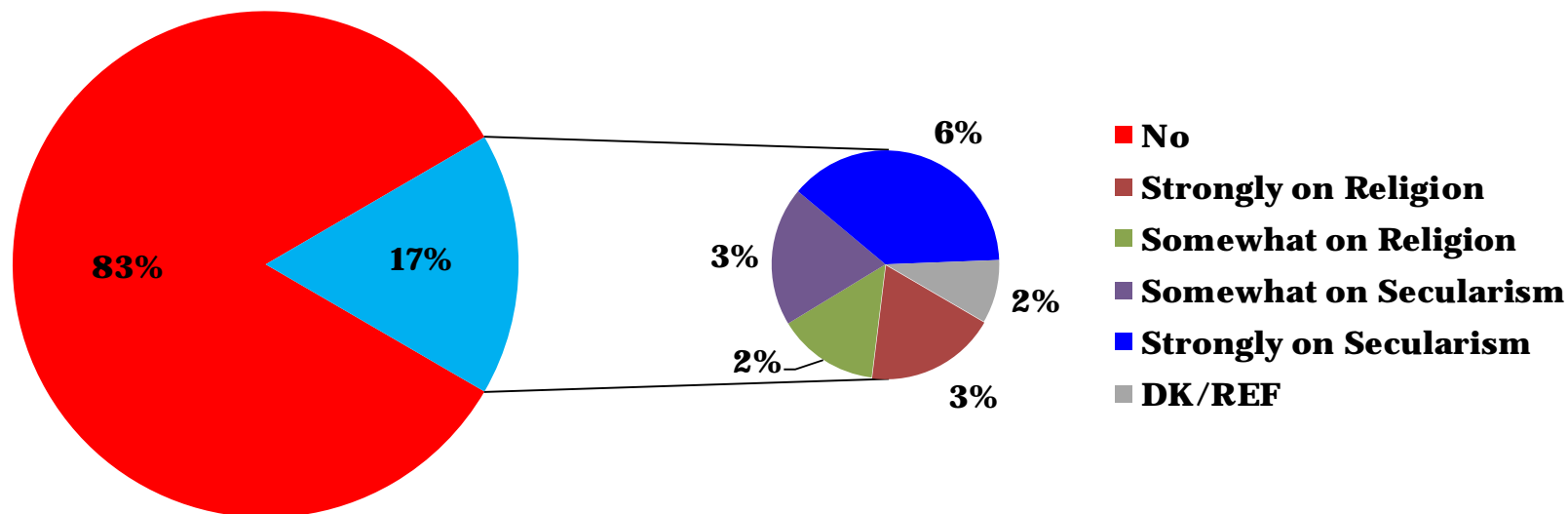


(Urban vs. Rural Areas Comparison)





Some would define secularism as the view that religious considerations or beliefs should be excluded from government affairs or public education. Taking into account this definition, does your answer to the previous question change? (n=216)



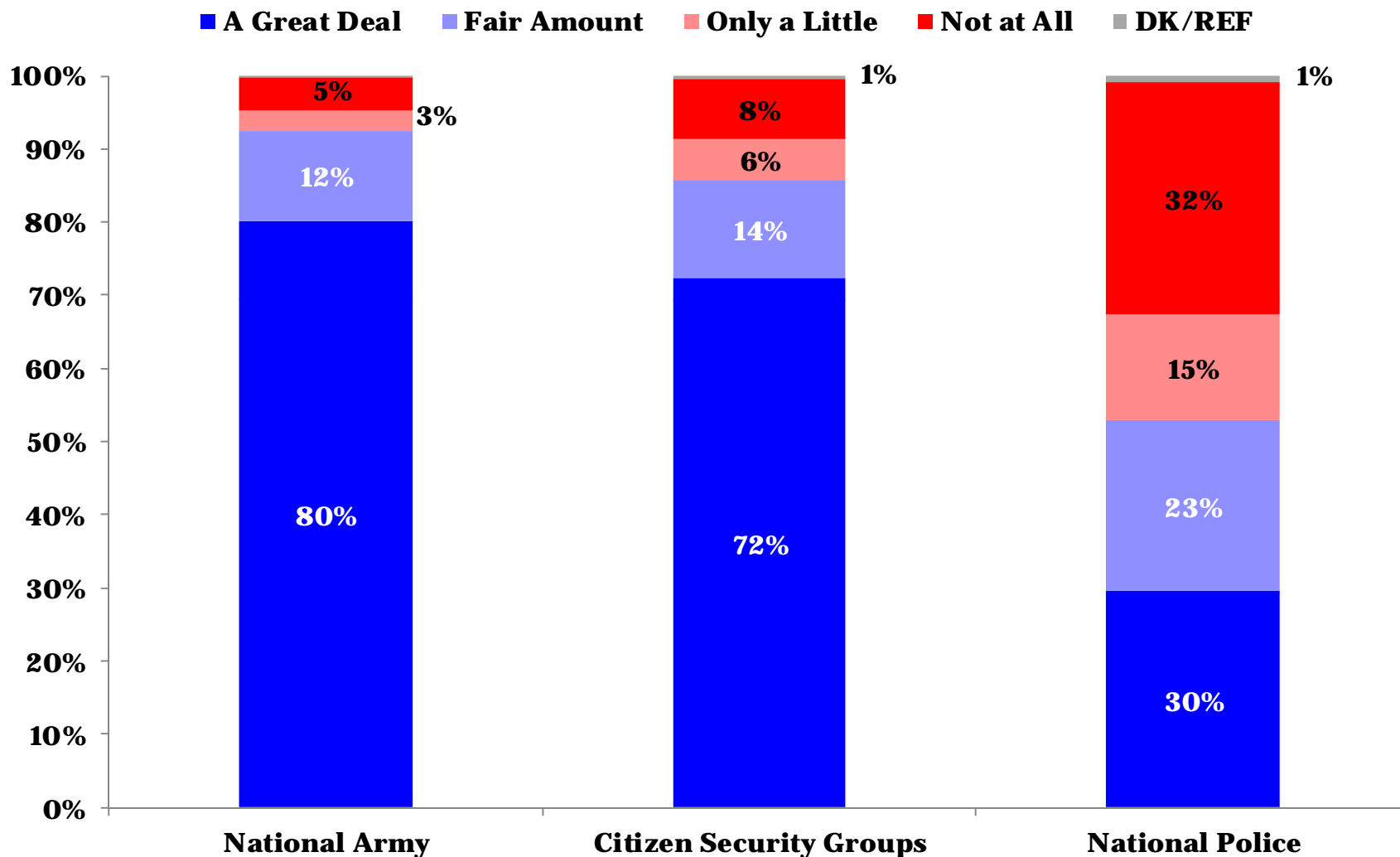


What is the single biggest problem facing Tunisia as a whole?

Issue	First Mention	Second Mention	Third Mention	Total
Unemployment	32%	28%	15%	75%
Internal Security	37%	19%	14%	70%
Living Standards	7%	13%	22%	42%
Government Corruption	7%	10%	10%	27%
Political Reform	8%	10%	7%	25%
Lack of Direct Foreign Investment	2%	6%	7%	15%
Health Care	1%	3%	6%	10%
Lack of Independent Media	2%	3%	4%	9%
Current Constitution	2%	2%	4%	8%
Legal System	1%	3%	3%	7%
Lack of Independent Civil Society	1%	1%	3%	5%
Don't Know	1%	1%	4%	6%

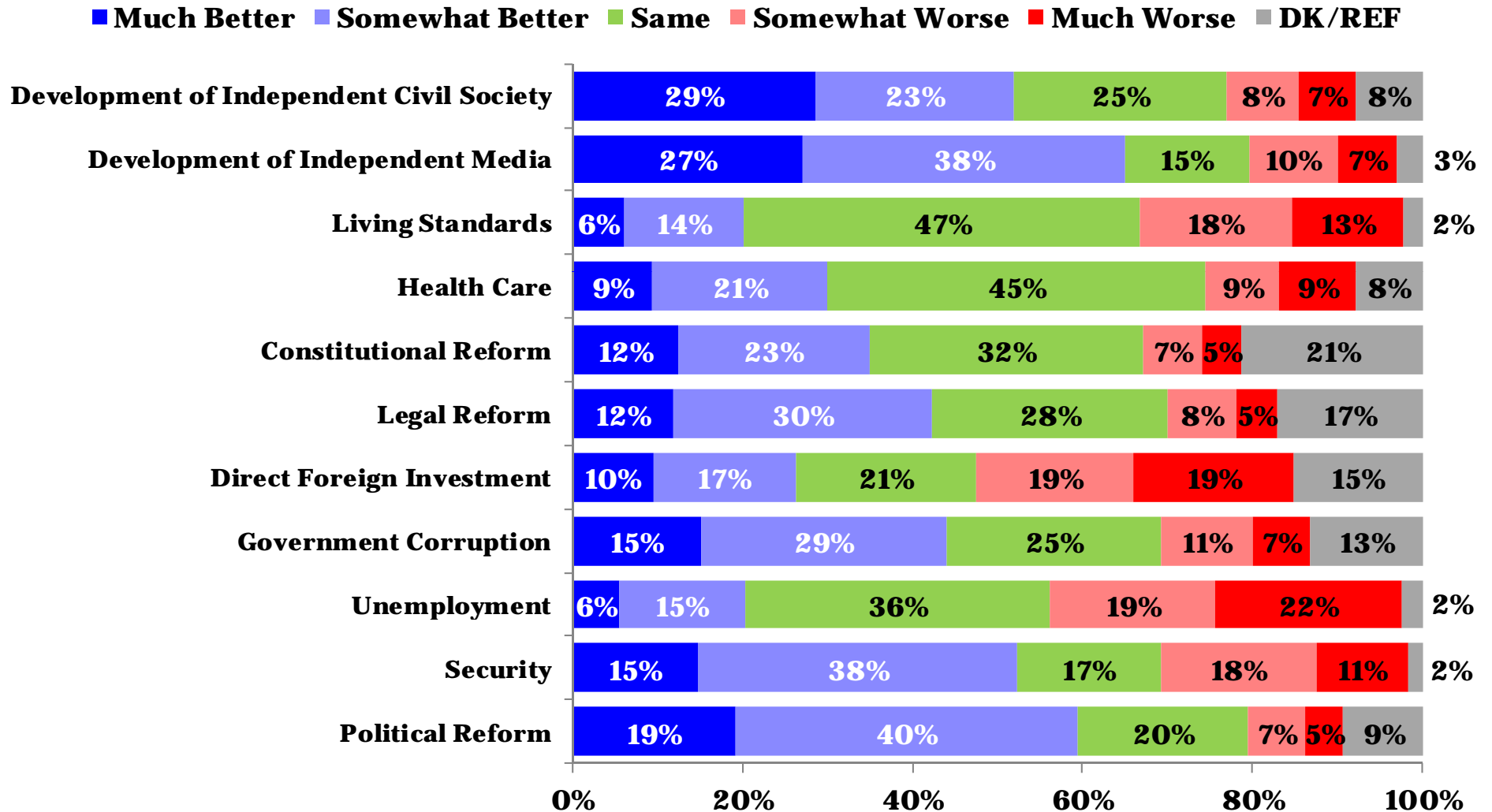


How much do you trust each of the following to protect your neighborhood?



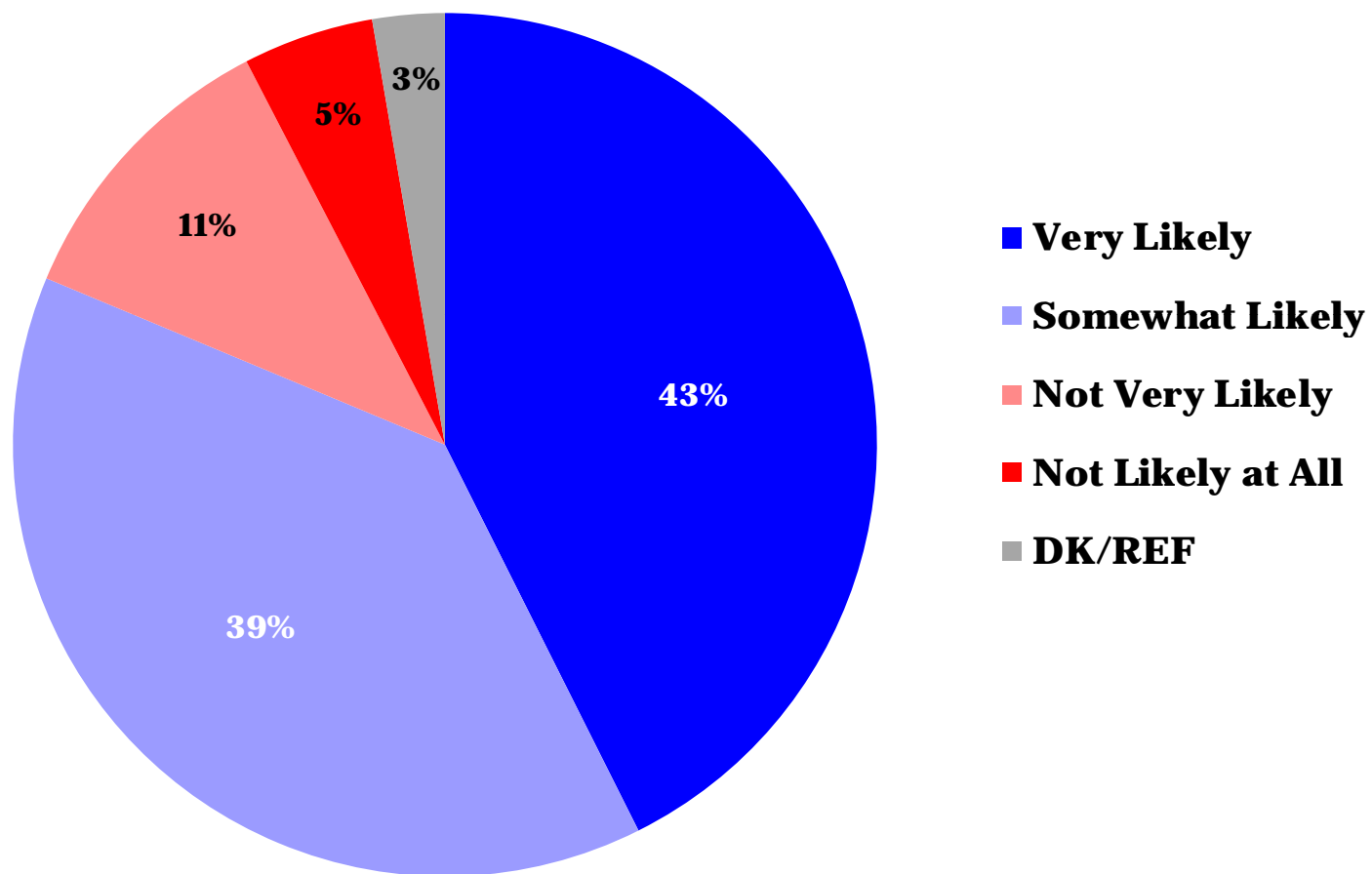


Now I am going to read a list of issues and for each one please tell me whether you feel that the situation has gotten better, gotten worse or stayed the same over the last year.





How likely is the current government to address these issues facing Tunisia?



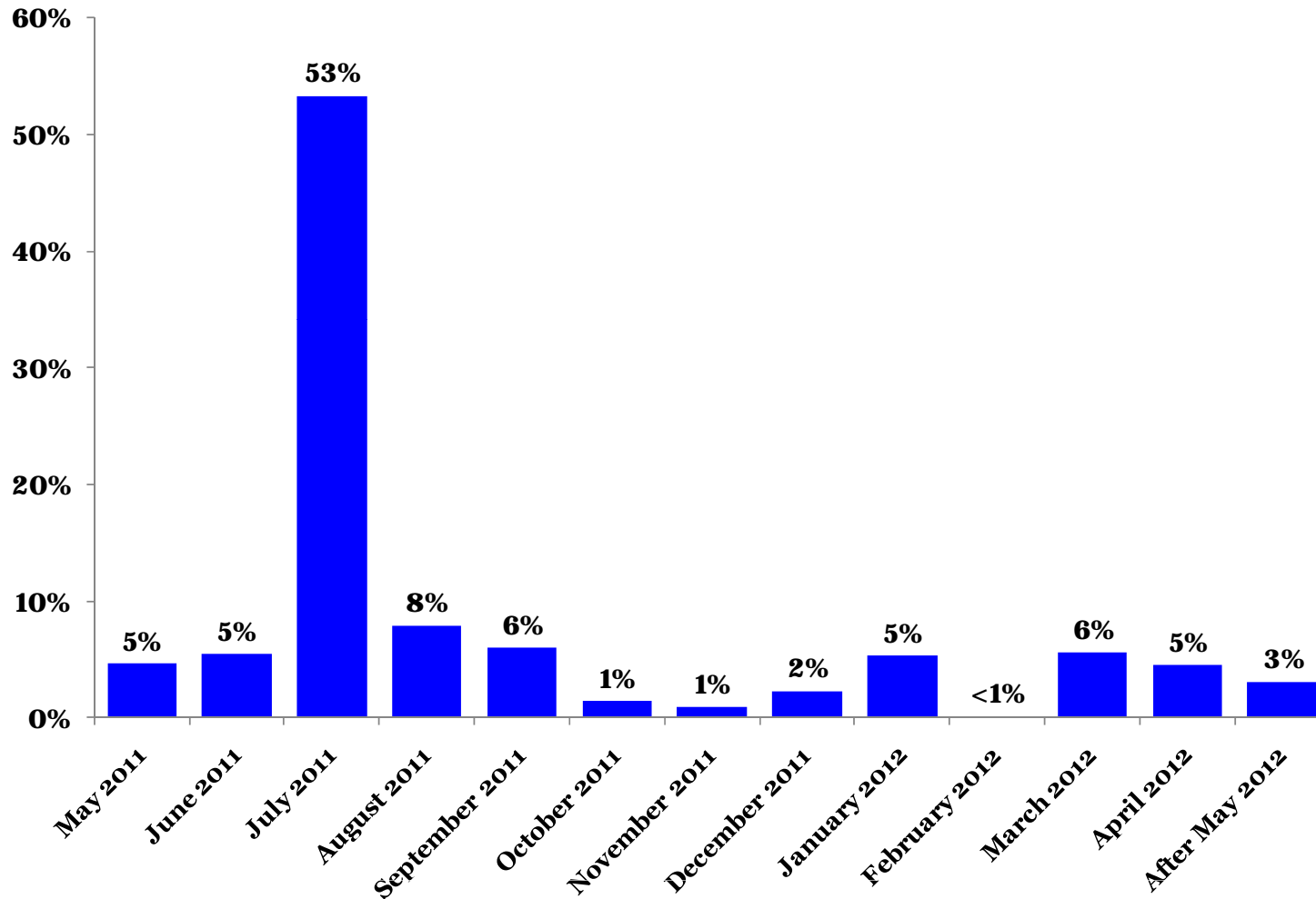


I am going to read you some ideological terms; I'd like you to please tell me the political figures that come to mind.

Name	Moderate (54%)	Islamist (47%)	Liberal (11%)	Socialist (17%)	Loyal to the people (46%)	Corrupt (49%)
Beji Kaid Sebsi	27%	1%	1%	2%	18%	—
Mohammed Ghanouchi	7%	—	1%	1%	5%	2%
Ahmed Nejib Chebi	2%	—	2%	1%	1%	—
Mohamed Jegham	—	—	1%	—	—	—
Abdelsalem Jerad	—	—	—	—	—	8%
Iyadh Ben Achour	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ahmed Ibrahim	—	—	1%	1%	—	1%
Moncef Marzouki	—	—	1%	1%	—	1%
Rached Ghanouchi	2%	44%	—	—	1%	1%
Kamel Morjane	—	—	1%	—	—	2%
Mustapha Ben Jaafar	1%	—	—	—	—	—
Sihem Ben Sedrine	1%	—	1%	—	—	—
Hamma Hammami	—	—	2%	7%	—	—
Rachid Ammar	5%	—	—	1%	11%	—
Farhat Rajhi	4%	—	1%	1%	4%	—
Ahmed Mestiri	1%	—	1%	1%	1%	—
Foued Mebazaa	—	—	—	—	1%	1%
Maya Jeribi	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ahmed Friaa	—	—	—	—	—	—
Habib Bourguiba	1%	—	—	—	—	—
Other	1%	1%	—	1%	2%	32%*



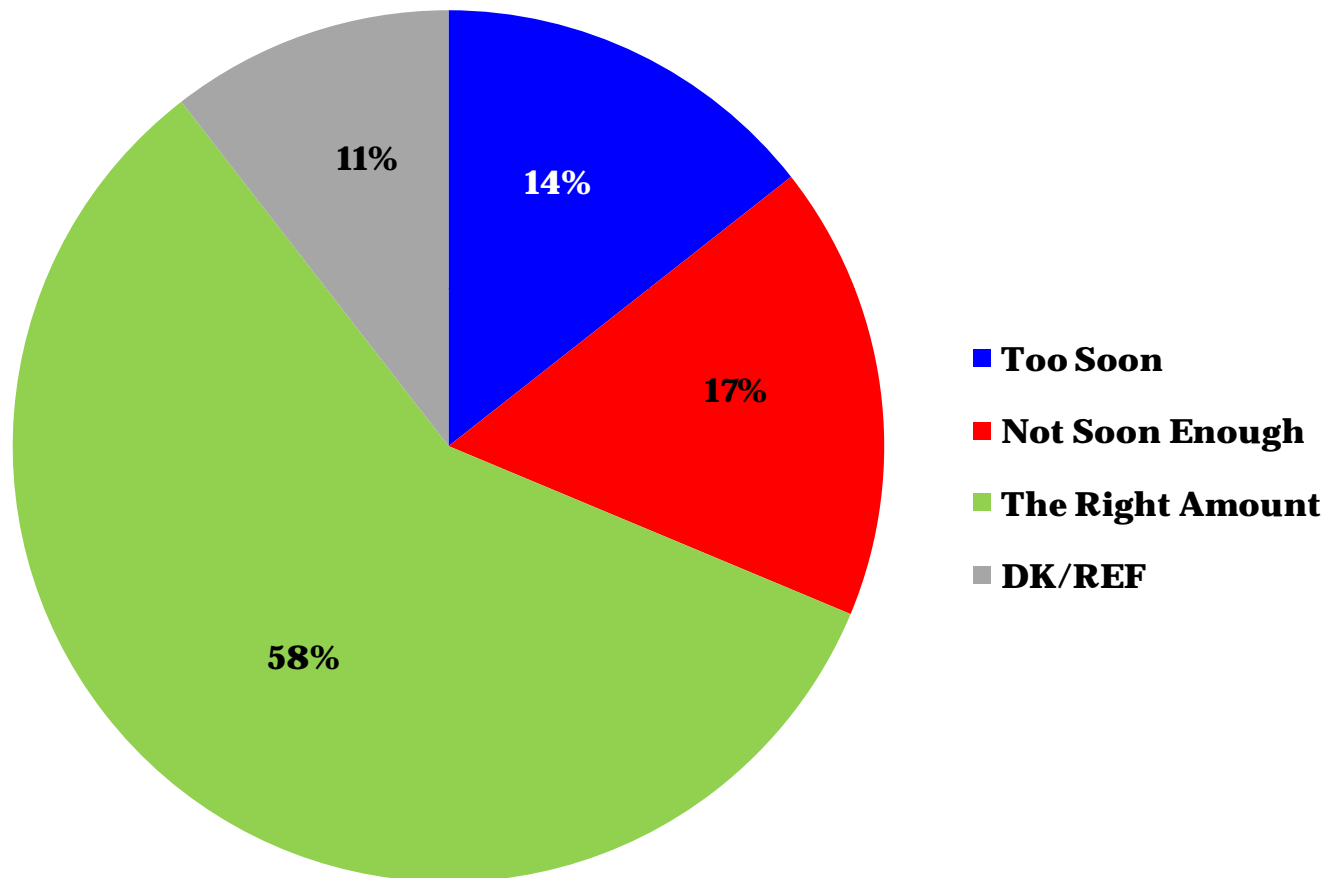
When do you believe that the presidential election will be held?



*The questionnaire was finalized prior to the announcement of constituent assembly elections, and at a time when most Tunisians expected a presidential election.

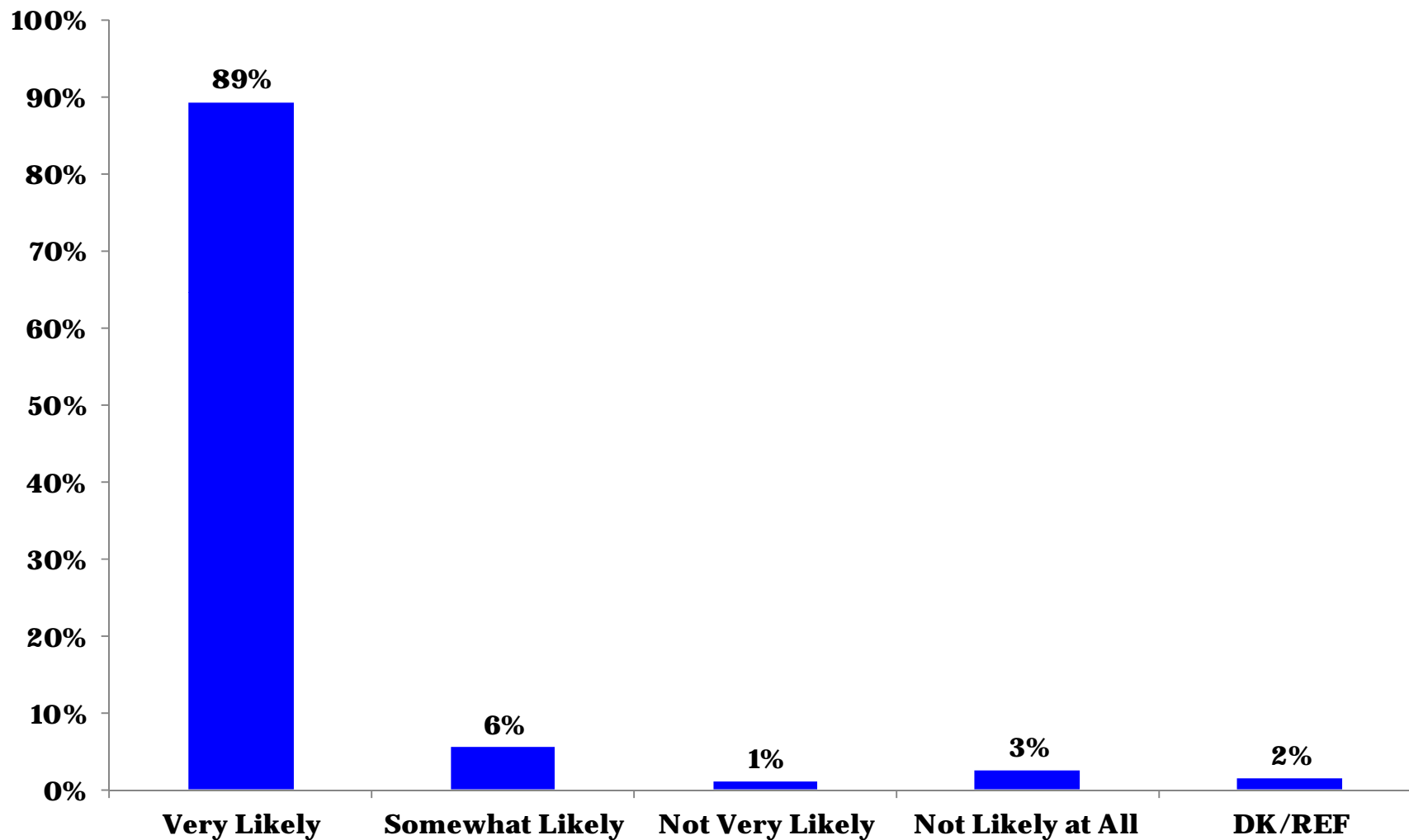


Is the date that you've identified to organize the presidential election too soon or not soon enough?



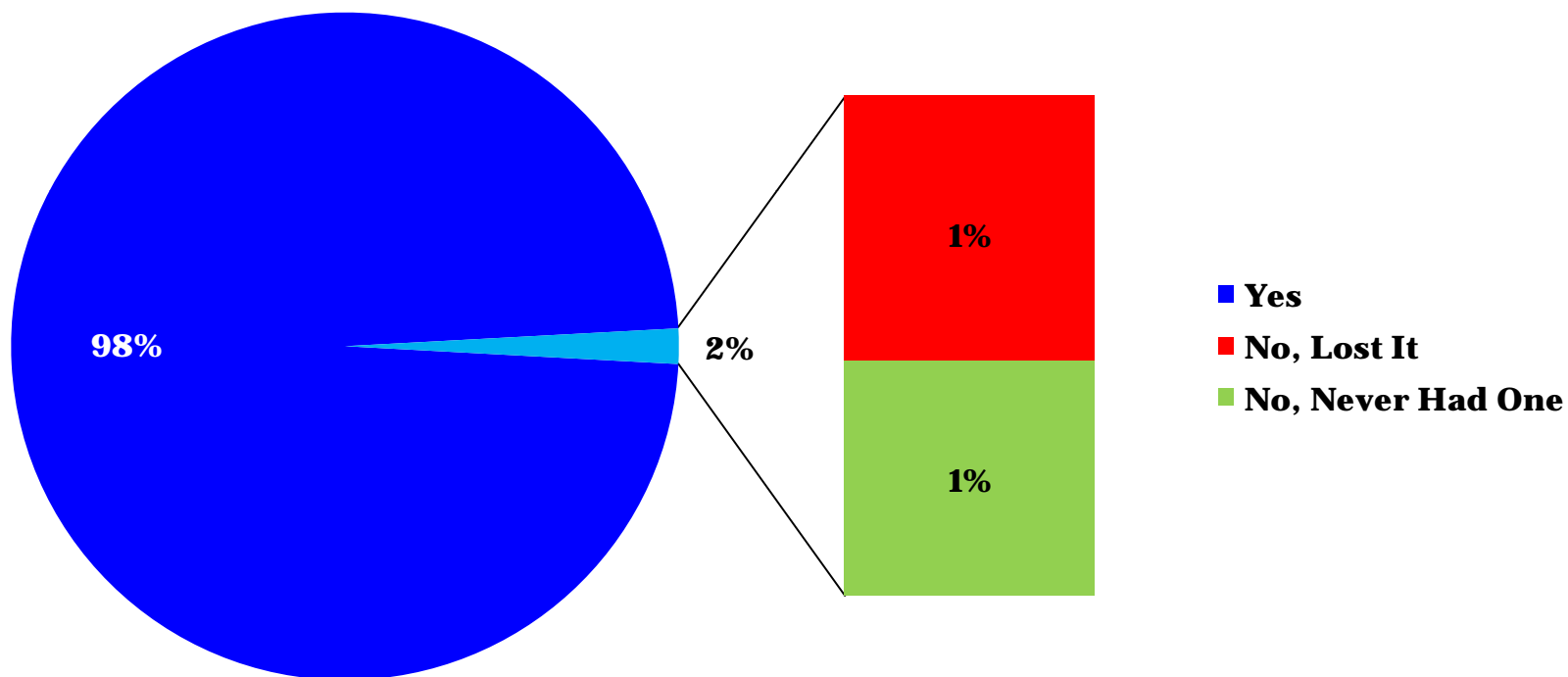


How likely are you to vote in the upcoming presidential election scheduled for later in the year?



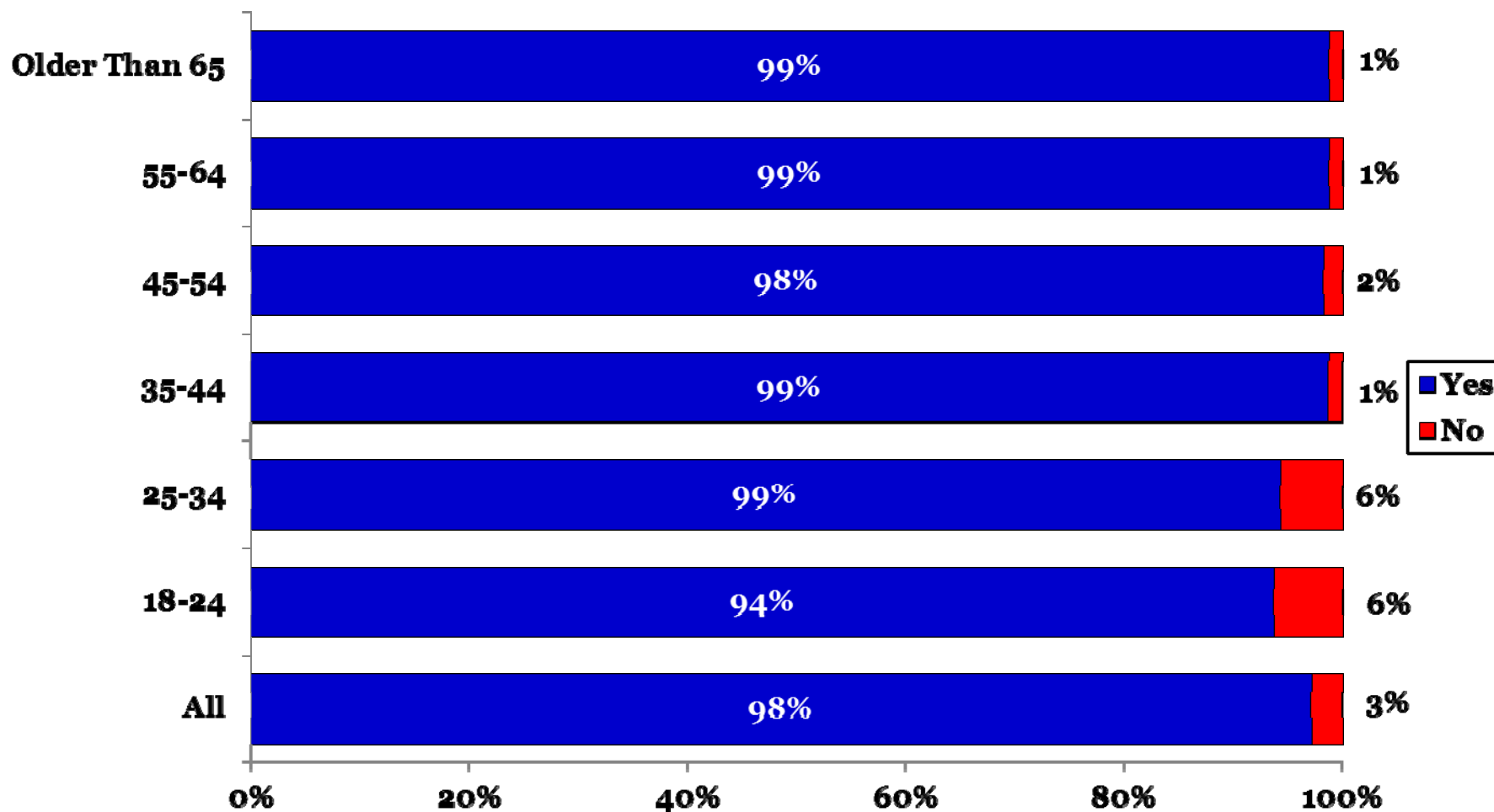


Do you have a national identification card? If no, why not? (n=26)





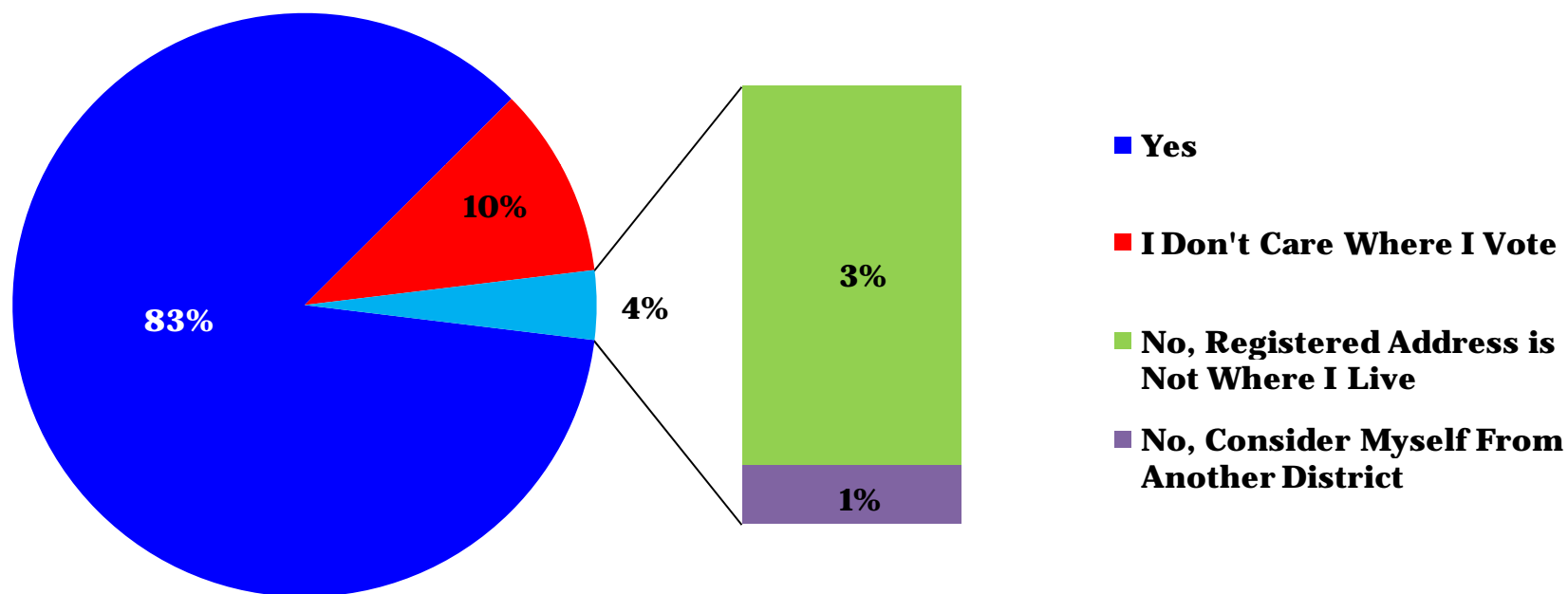
Do you have a national identification card? *(Age Comparison)*





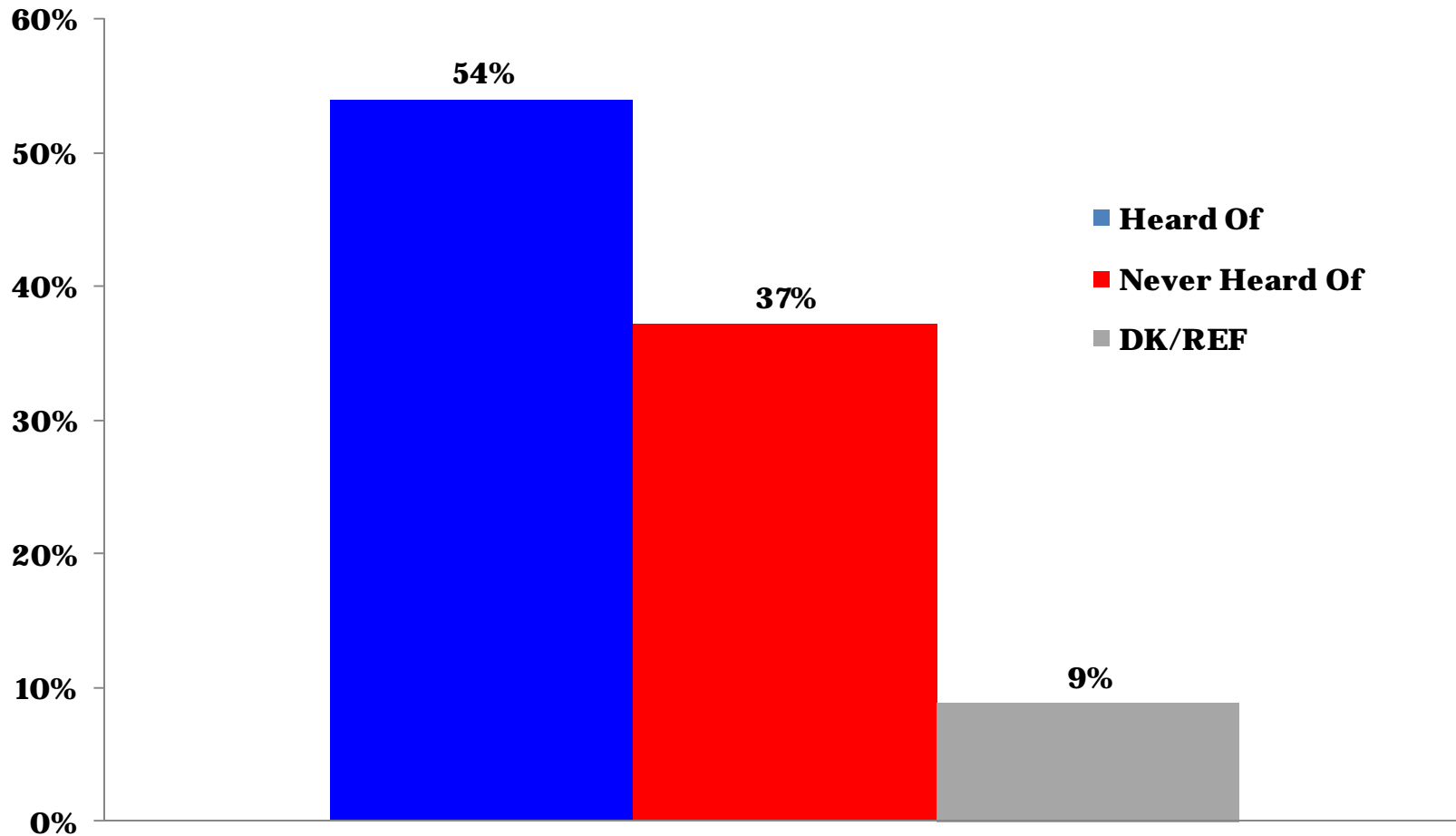
Your ID card includes your registered address. Would you be happy to vote at a polling place near that address?

If no, why would you wish to vote somewhere else? (n=47)



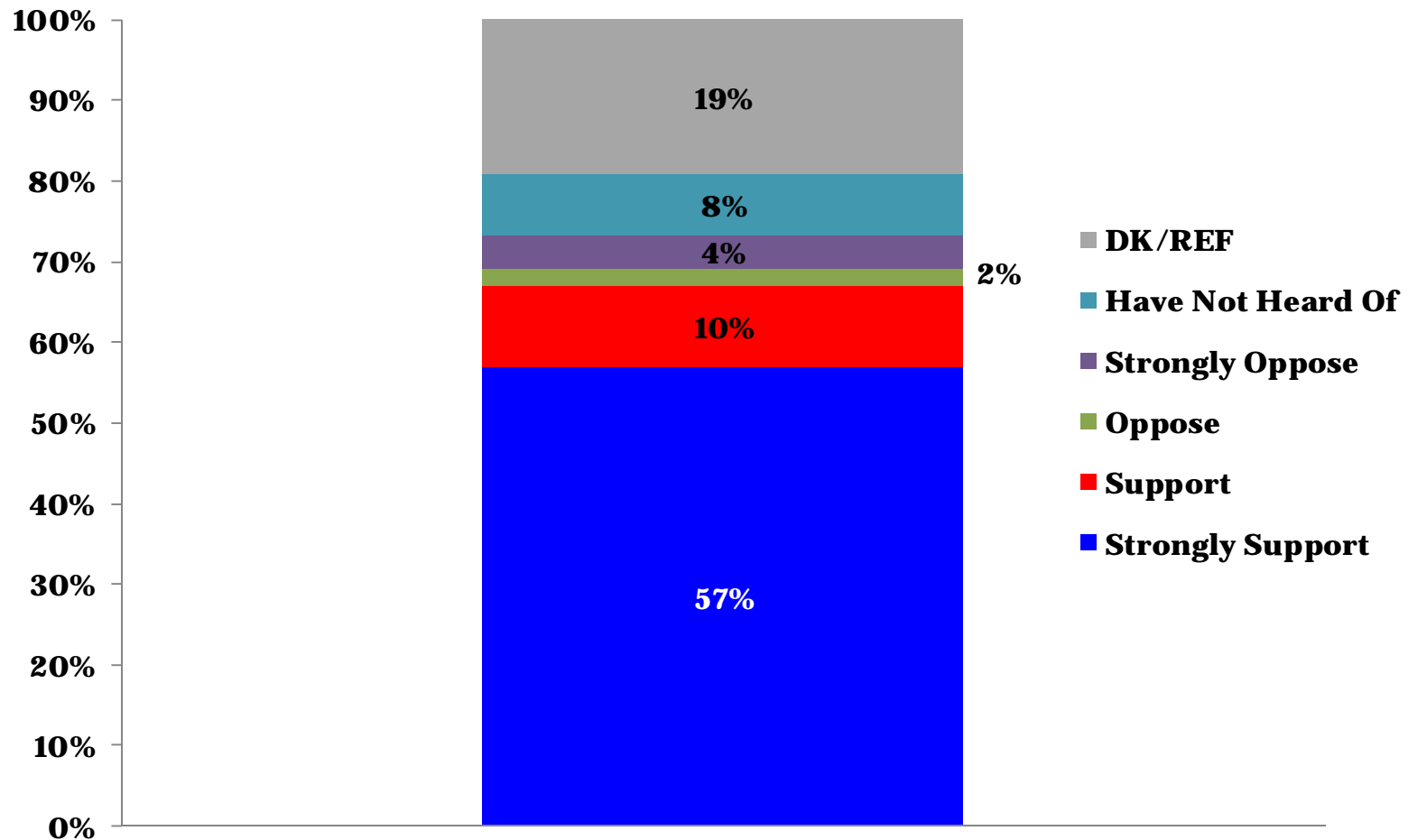


Do you believe that Tunisia's next president will be someone you've already heard of or someone you've never heard of?



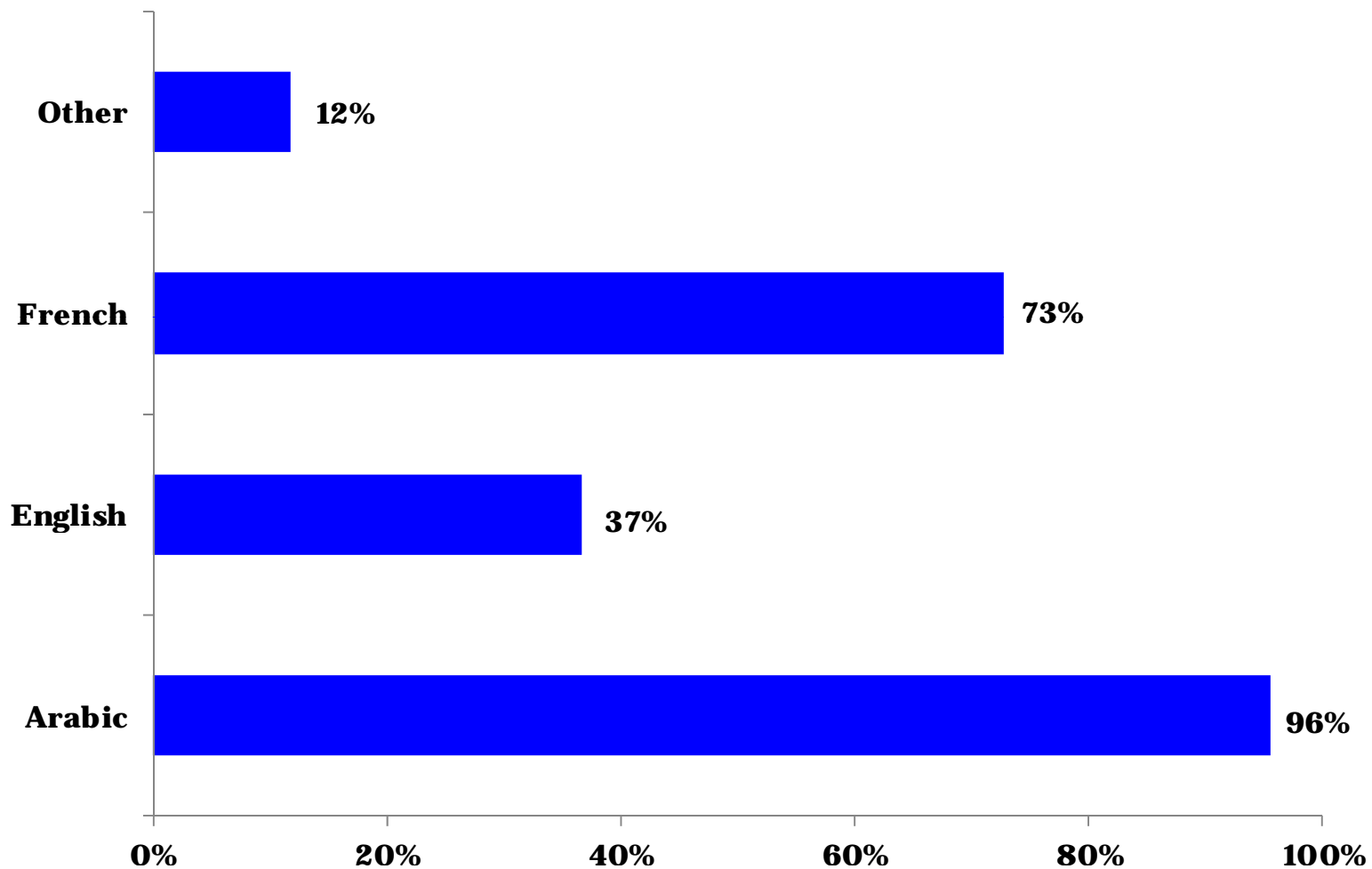


Do you support further integration of Tunisia with the Union for the Mediterranean?





What languages can you read?





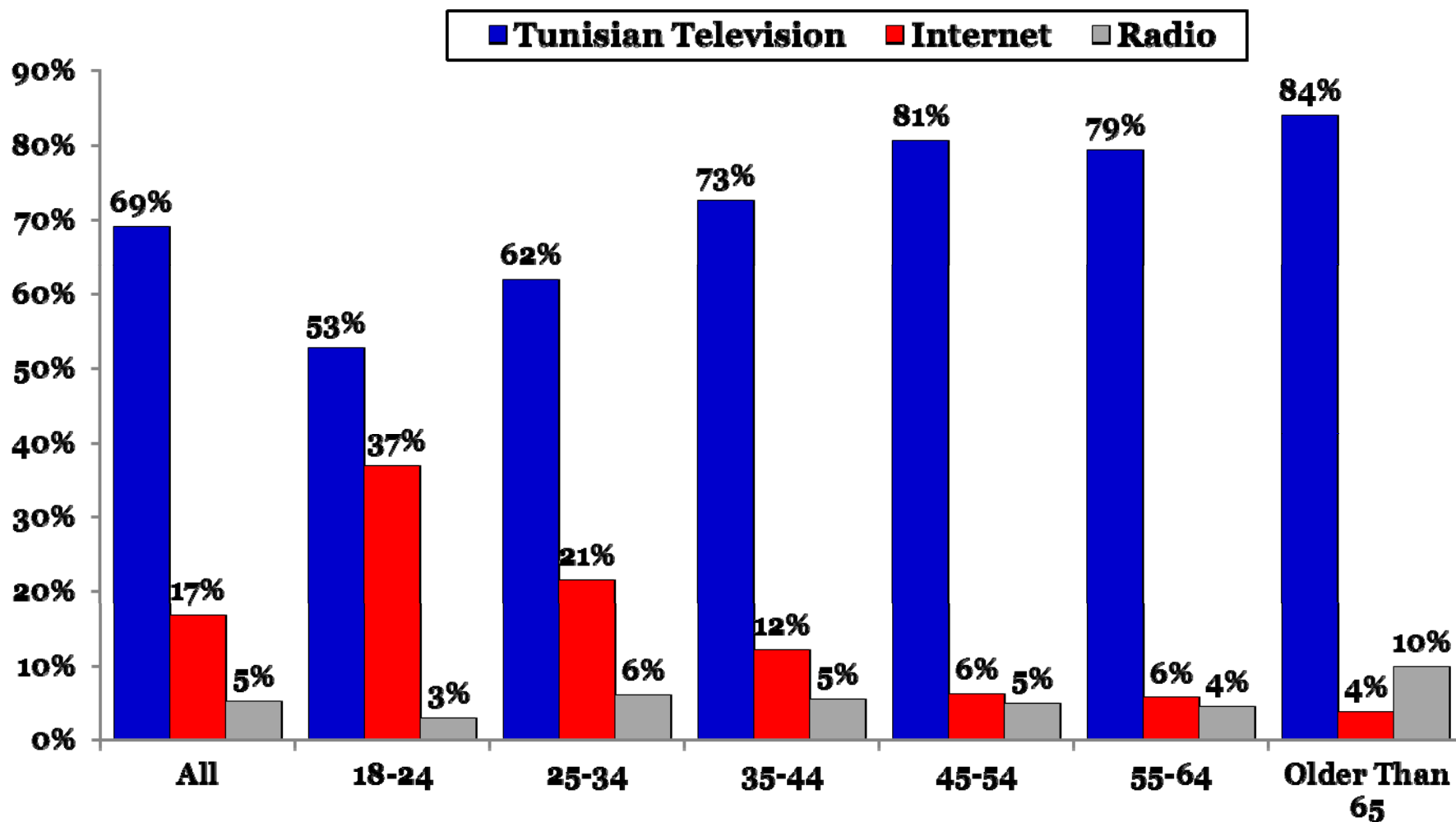
Where are you most likely to get your local news and information?

(Allowed Three Responses)

Issue	First Mention	Second Mention	Third Mention	Total
Tunisian Television	69%	20%	5%	94%
Radio	5%	33%	18%	56%
Newspaper	3%	14%	25%	42%
Internet	17%	10%	6%	33%
Rumors at Public Places	3%	10%	13%	26%
SMS	—	1%	1%	2%
Mosque	—	—	1%	1%
Other	2%	1%	1%	4%
Don't know	1%	11%	29%	41%

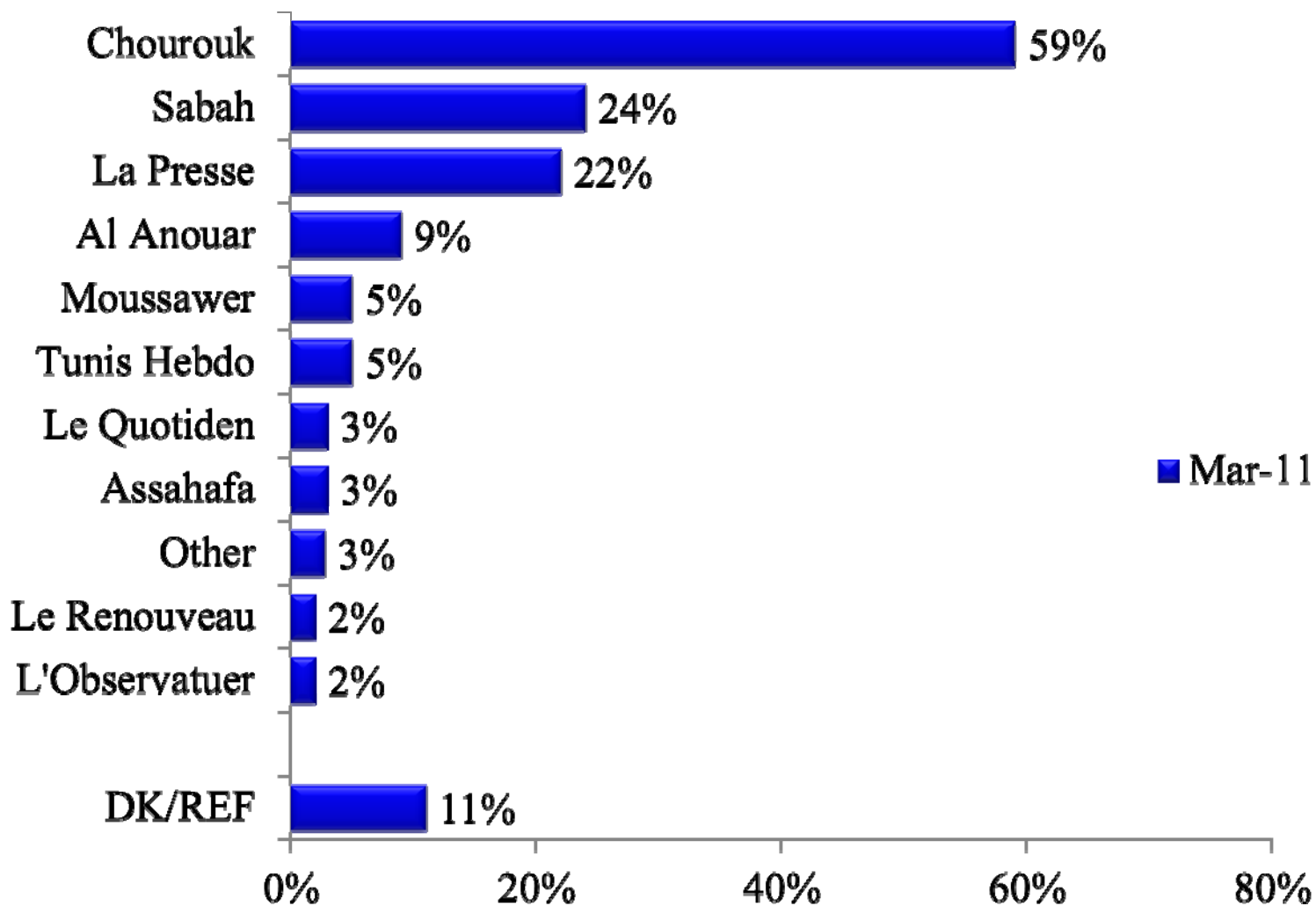


Where are you most likely to get your local news and information? (Age Comparison)



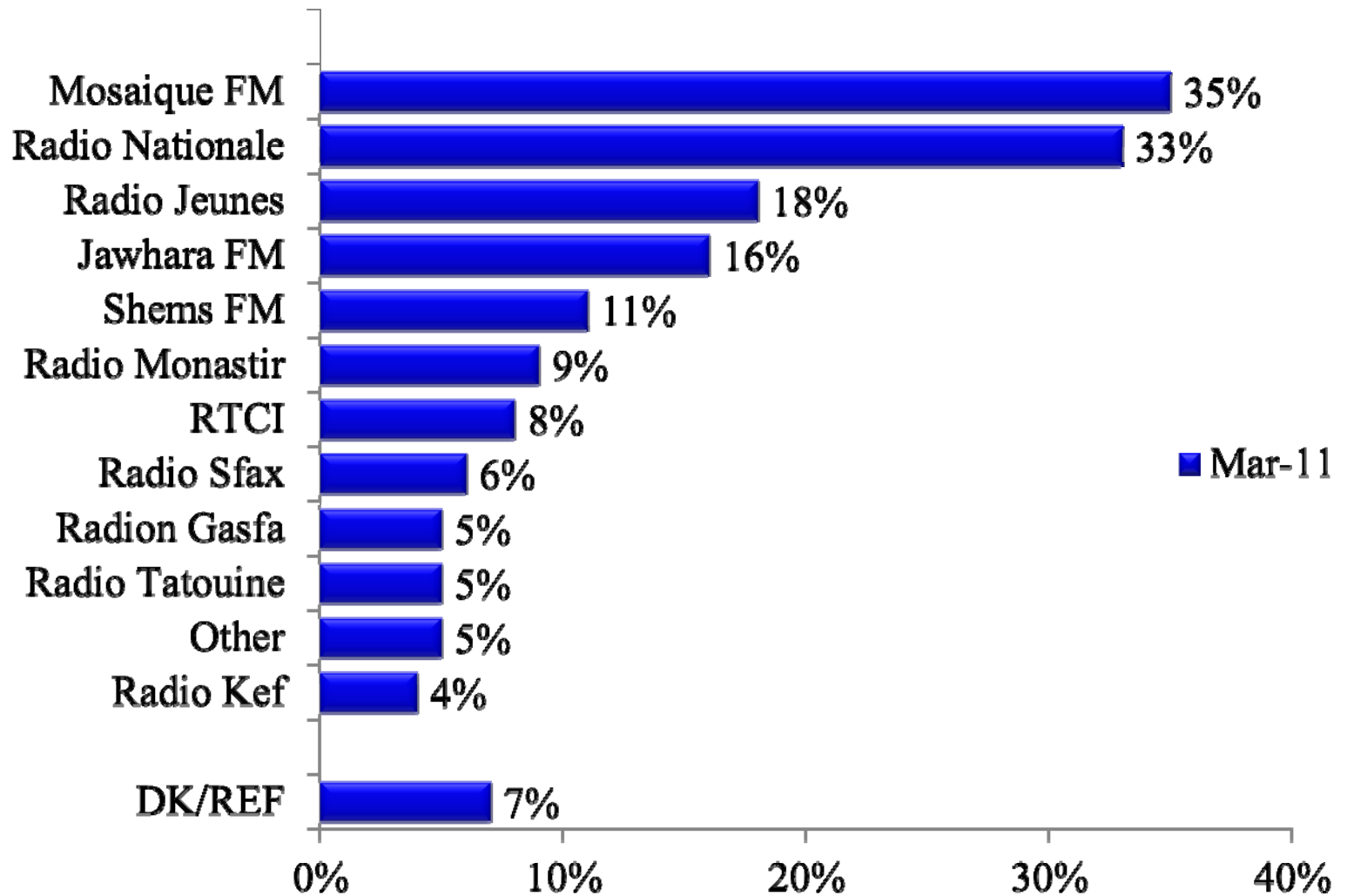


Which national newspaper do you read to get your news? (Multiple Response) n=1062



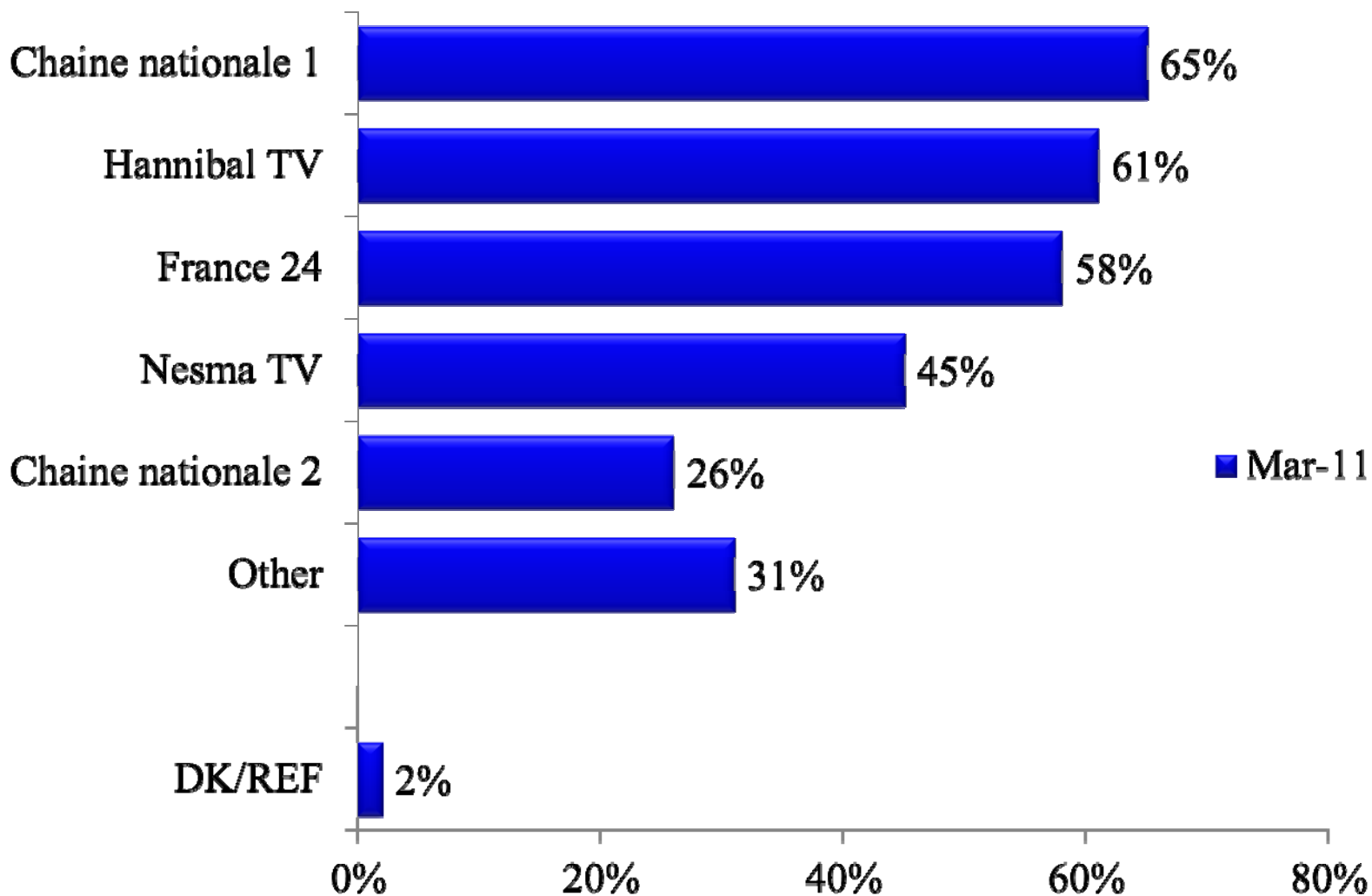


Which national radio station do you listen to to get your news? (Multiple Response) n=1133



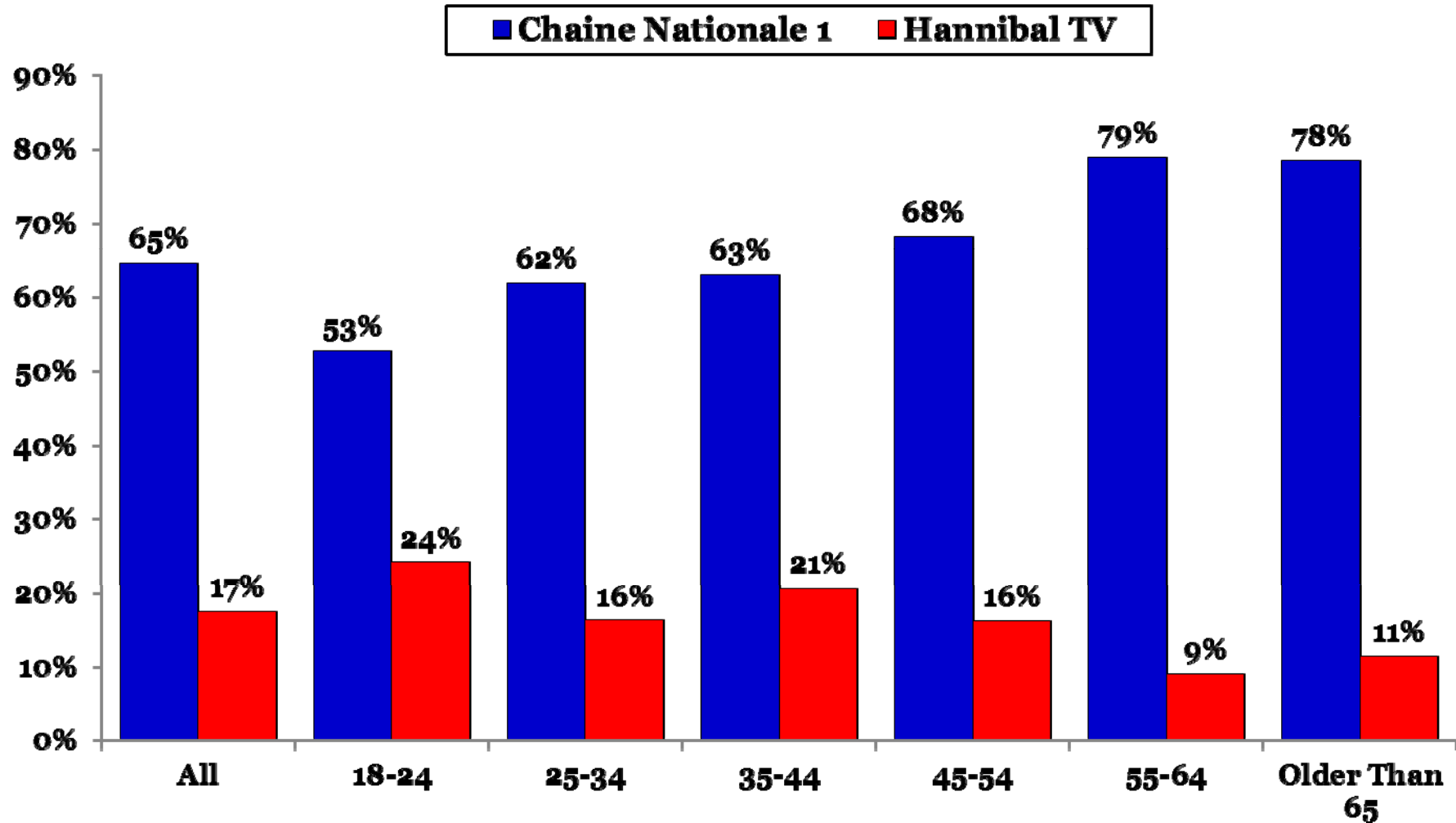


Which national television station do you watch to to get your news? (Multiple Response) n=1281





Which national television station do you watch to get your news? (Age Comparison)





Do you have access to the Internet?

If yes, when you do use the Internet, from where do you access it most often? (n=625)
(First Mention)

