

Survey of Tunisian Public Opinion

December 19, 2012—January 7, 2013



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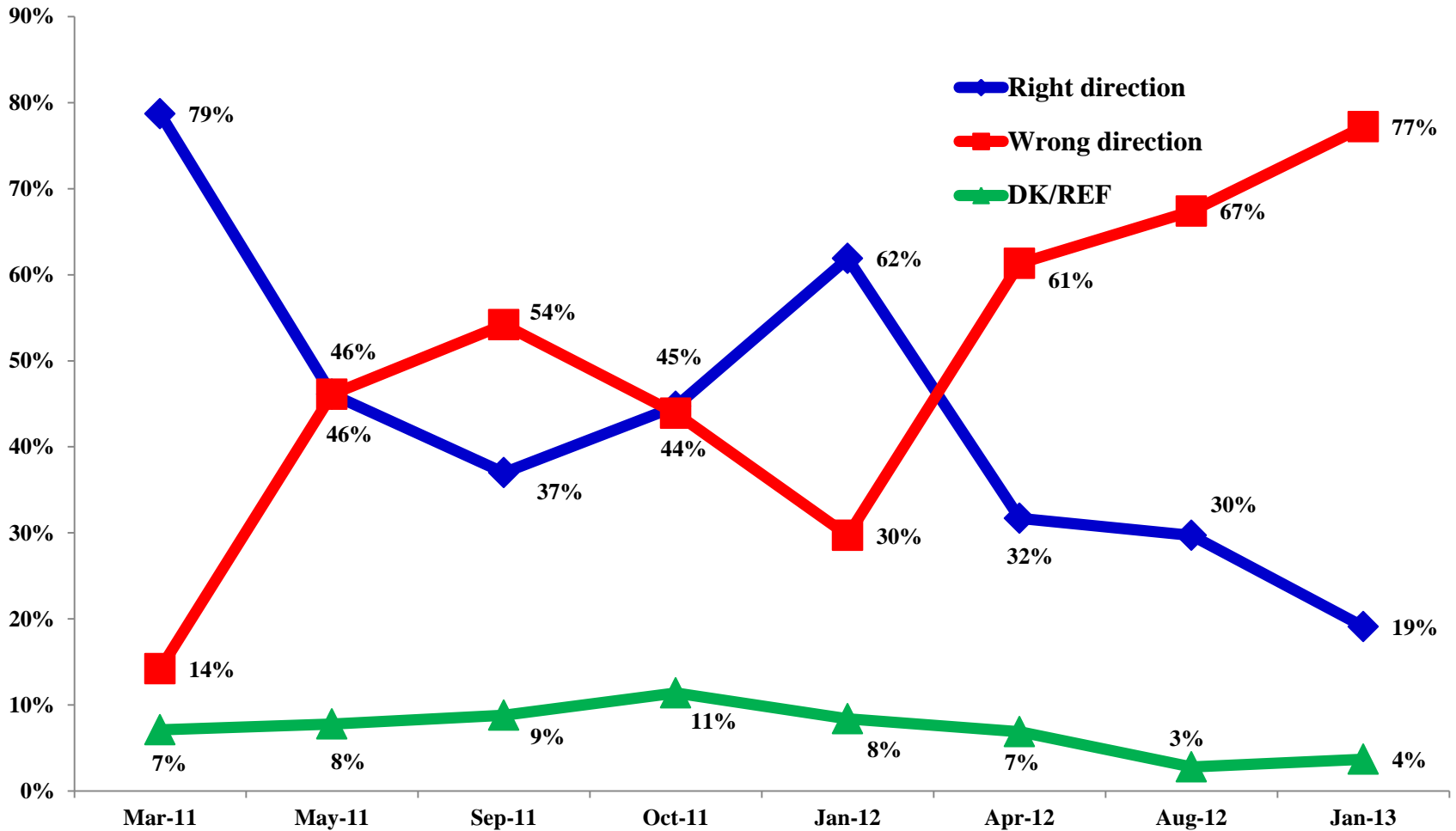
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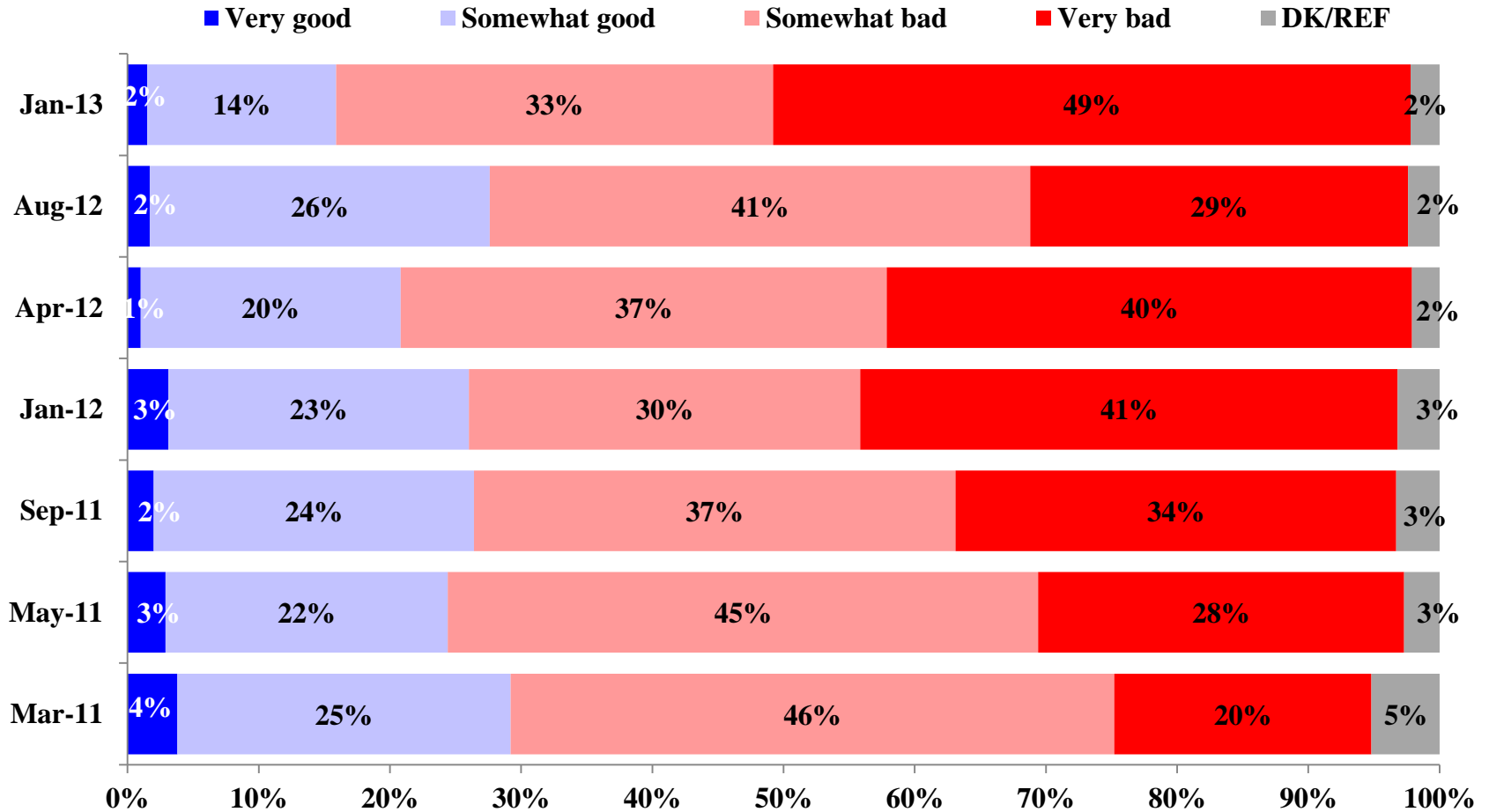
Survey Specifications

- The International Republican Institute (IRI) conducted a national survey of adult Tunisians (18+ years) from December 19, 2012 through January 7, 2013.
- 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 multi-stage stratification proportionate to population sample distribution.
- The Kish method was used to select respondents 18 years and older within the randomly selected household. The left-hand method was used to select every third household in localities selected through an area probability sample.
- Stratification was based on three stages: a proportional division among Tunisia's 24 governorates, proportional division of urban and rural categories, and proportional division by gender and age group according to the most up-to-date data from Tunisia's National Statistics Institute collected in July 2009. The sample was then post-weighted to make it proportionate to national representation by province.
- Each of Tunisia's 24 governorates was divided into territorial sections or districts. In every territorial section at least one point of survey was selected with the overall number of points determined by population density. In every point of survey, interviewers were called to do no more than 10 interviews. Points of survey were distributed proportionally between rural and urban areas in every governorate and in every geographical section of the governorate. Points of survey in a territorial section within a governorate were selected randomly.
- A total of 1,613 interviews were completed yielding an overall margin of error of ± 2.81 percent at the midrange of the 95 percent confidence level.
- The male-to-female ratio of respondents was 50 percent male to 50 percent female.
- The urban-to-rural ratio of respondents was 67 percent urban to 33 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 [Middle East Partnership Initiative](#).

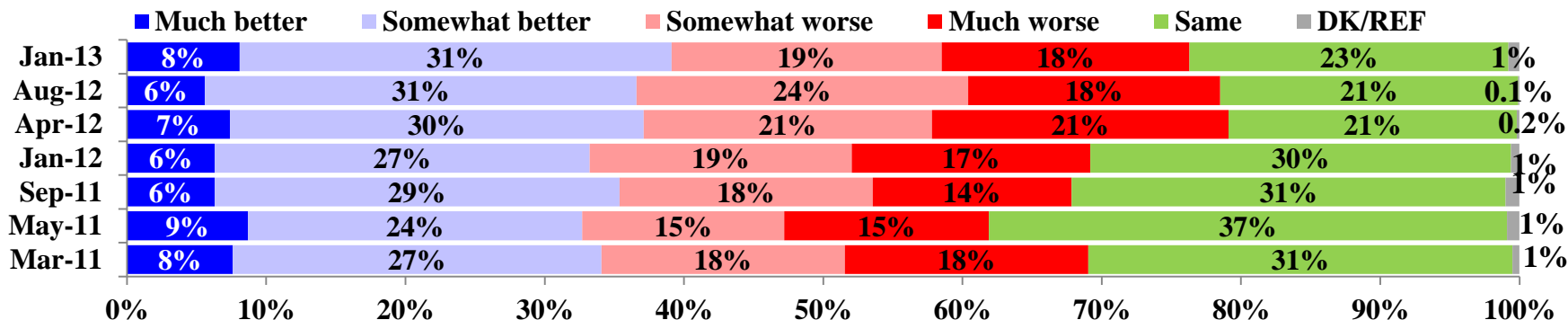
How would you say that things are going in Tunisia these days; are things going in the right direction or the wrong direction?



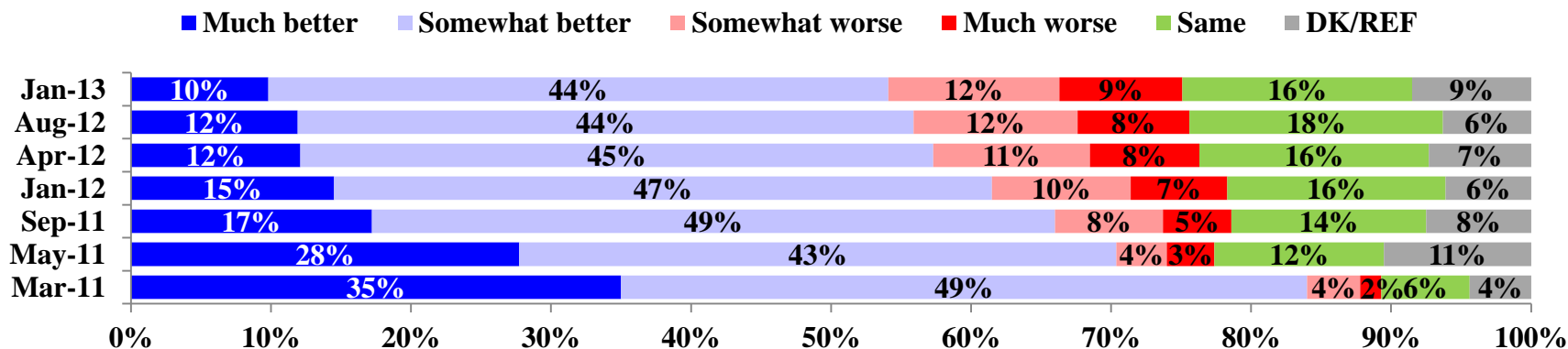
How would you describe the current economic situation in Tunisia?



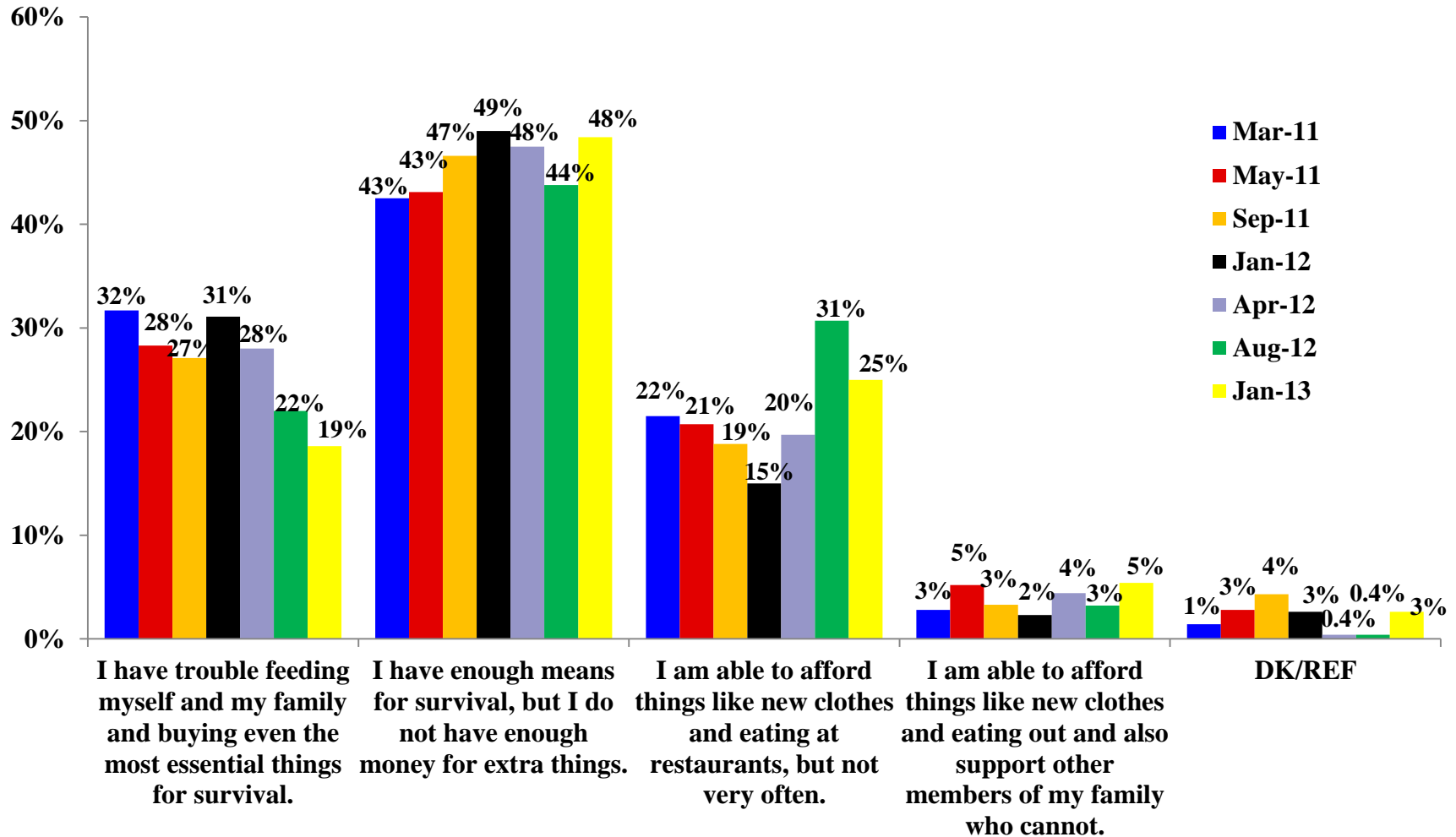
Has your household's financial situation gotten better or worse over the last year?



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



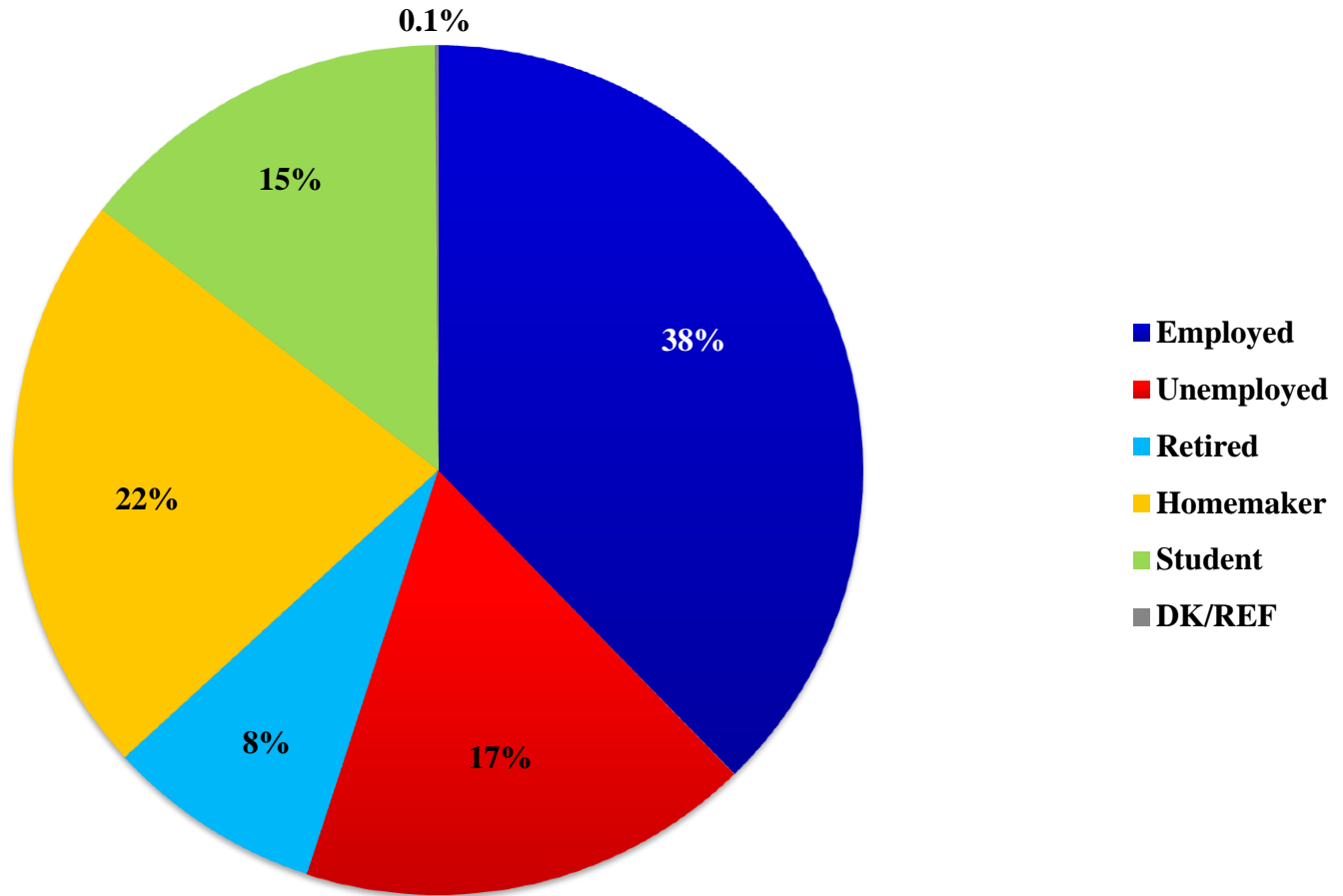
Which answer best describes your current economic situation?



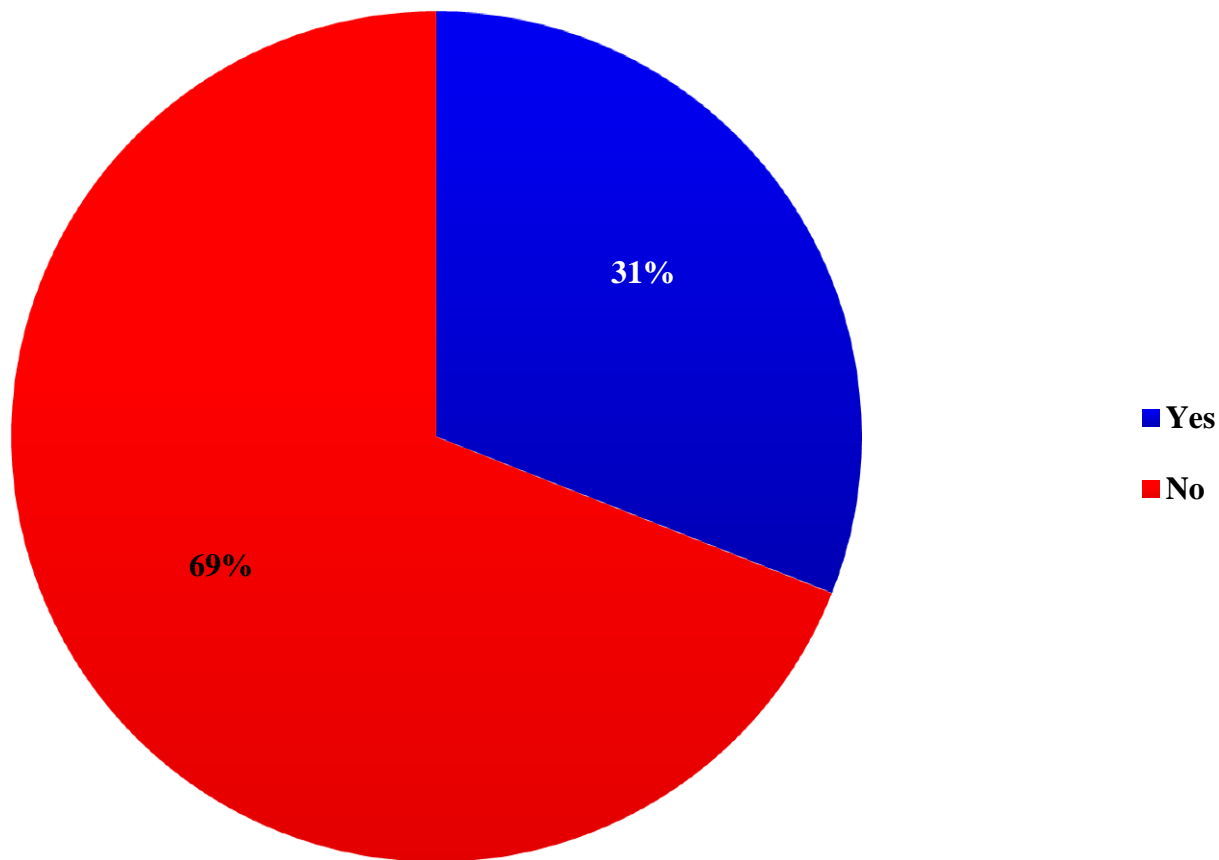
Which of the following should be a top priority for the current government? (spontaneous response, top responses only)

| Issue | First Mention | Second Mention | Third Mention | Total |
|---|---------------|----------------|---------------|-------|
| Employment | 43% | 21% | 14% | 77% |
| Economic development and reform of the economy | 17% | 23% | 14% | 53% |
| Security | 12% | 15% | 18% | 45% |
| Living standards | 10% | 18% | 15% | 43% |
| Social reforms | 3% | 6% | 6% | 15% |
| Corruption and transparency | 4% | 4% | 6% | 14% |
| Regional development | 3% | 4% | 4% | 11% |
| Achieve the goals of the revolution | 2% | 2% | 3% | 7% |
| Organize elections | 2% | 1% | 2% | 5% |
| Draft the new constitution | 1% | 1% | 1% | 3% |
| Reform education system | 0% | 1% | 2% | 3% |
| DK/REF | 1% | 3% | 12% | 16% |

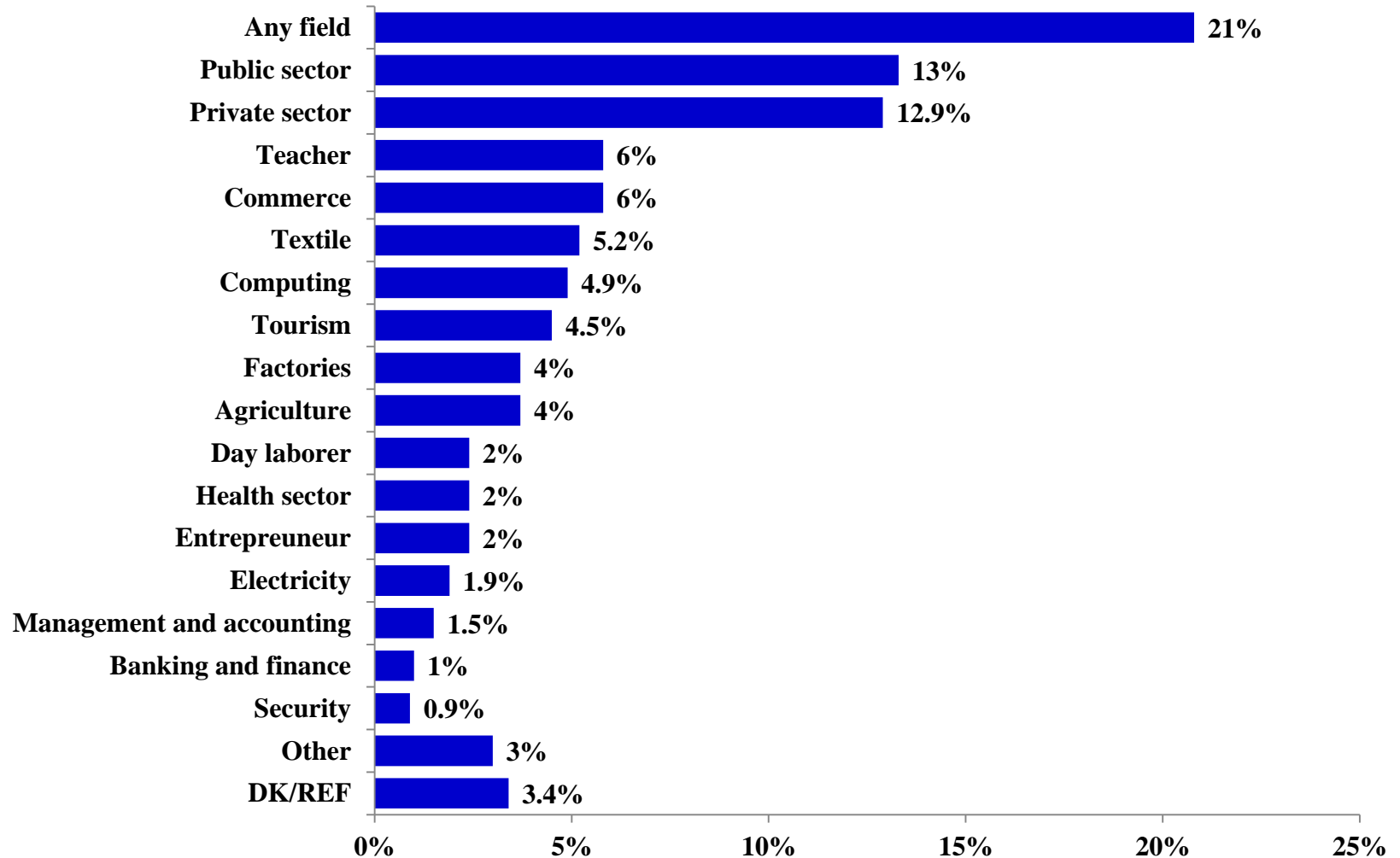
What is your occupational status?



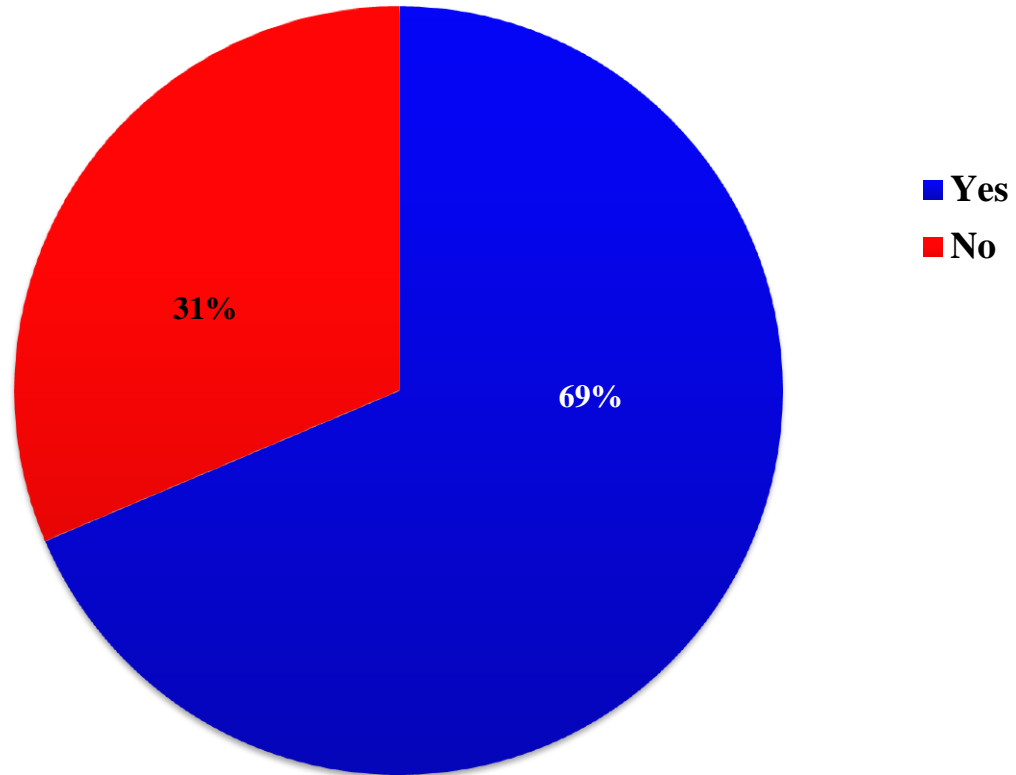
Are you seeking a job?



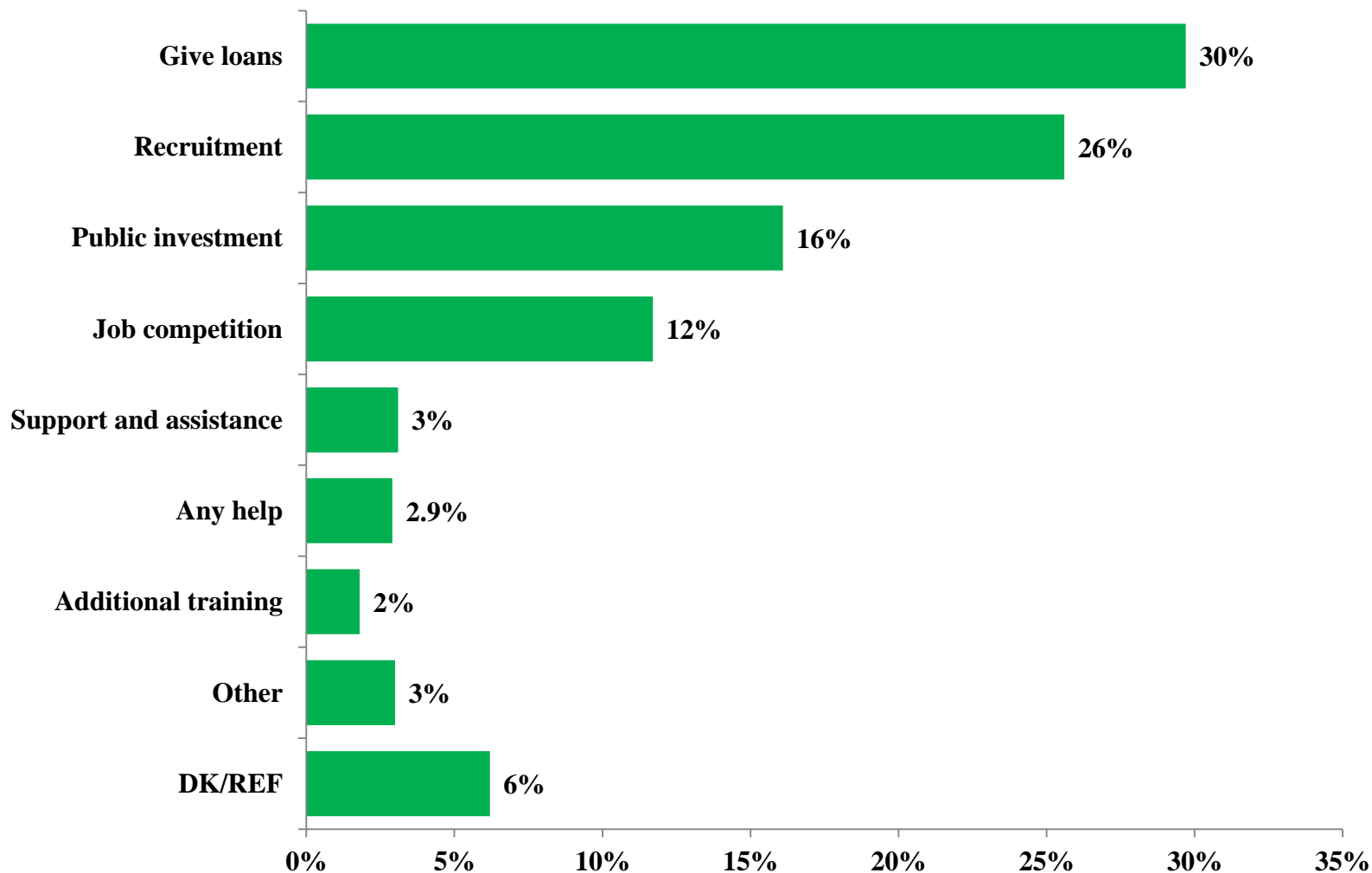
What kind of job are you looking for? (spontaneous response, n=500)



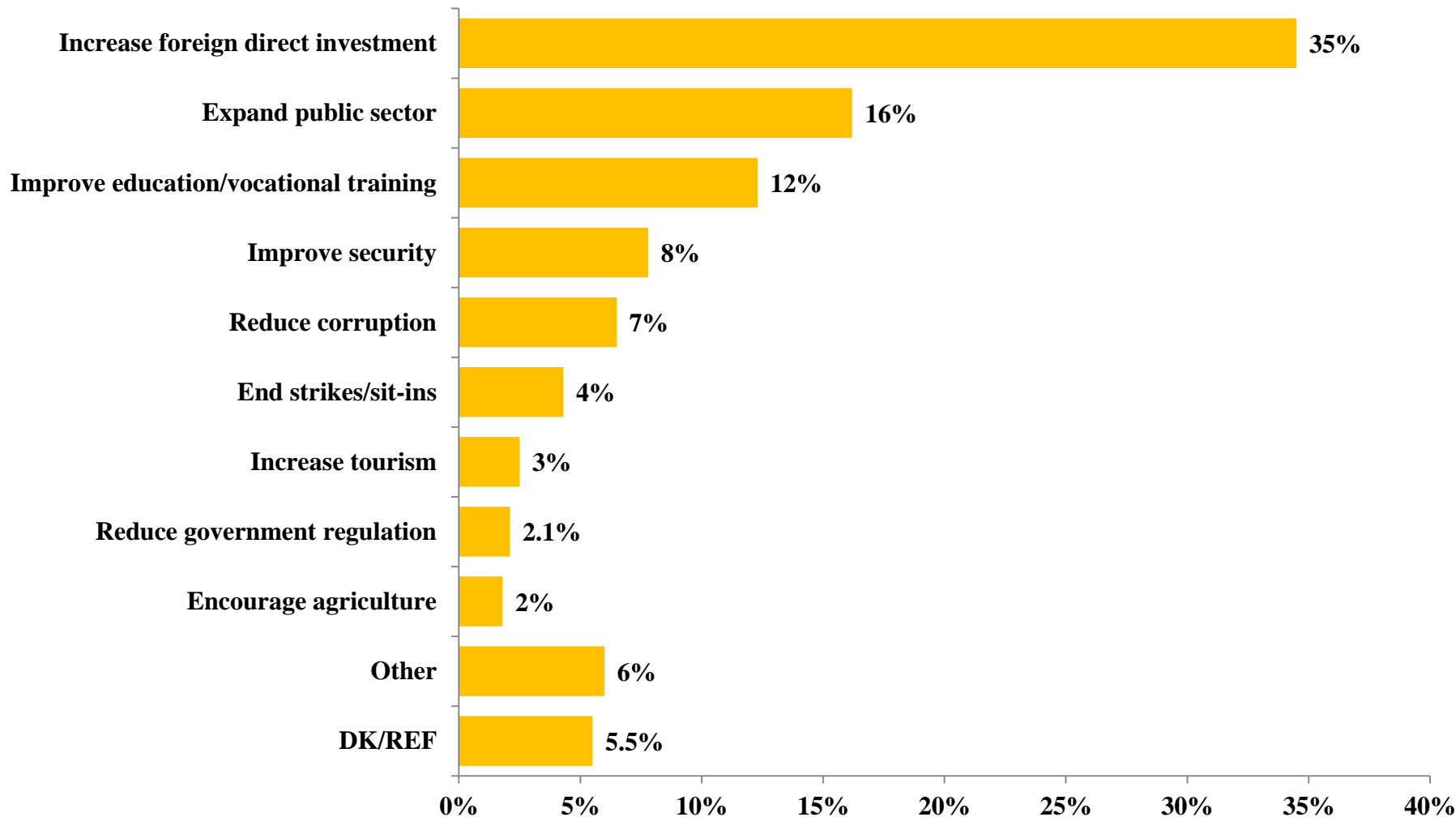
If you are seeking a job, do you expect help from the government in finding a job? (n=500)



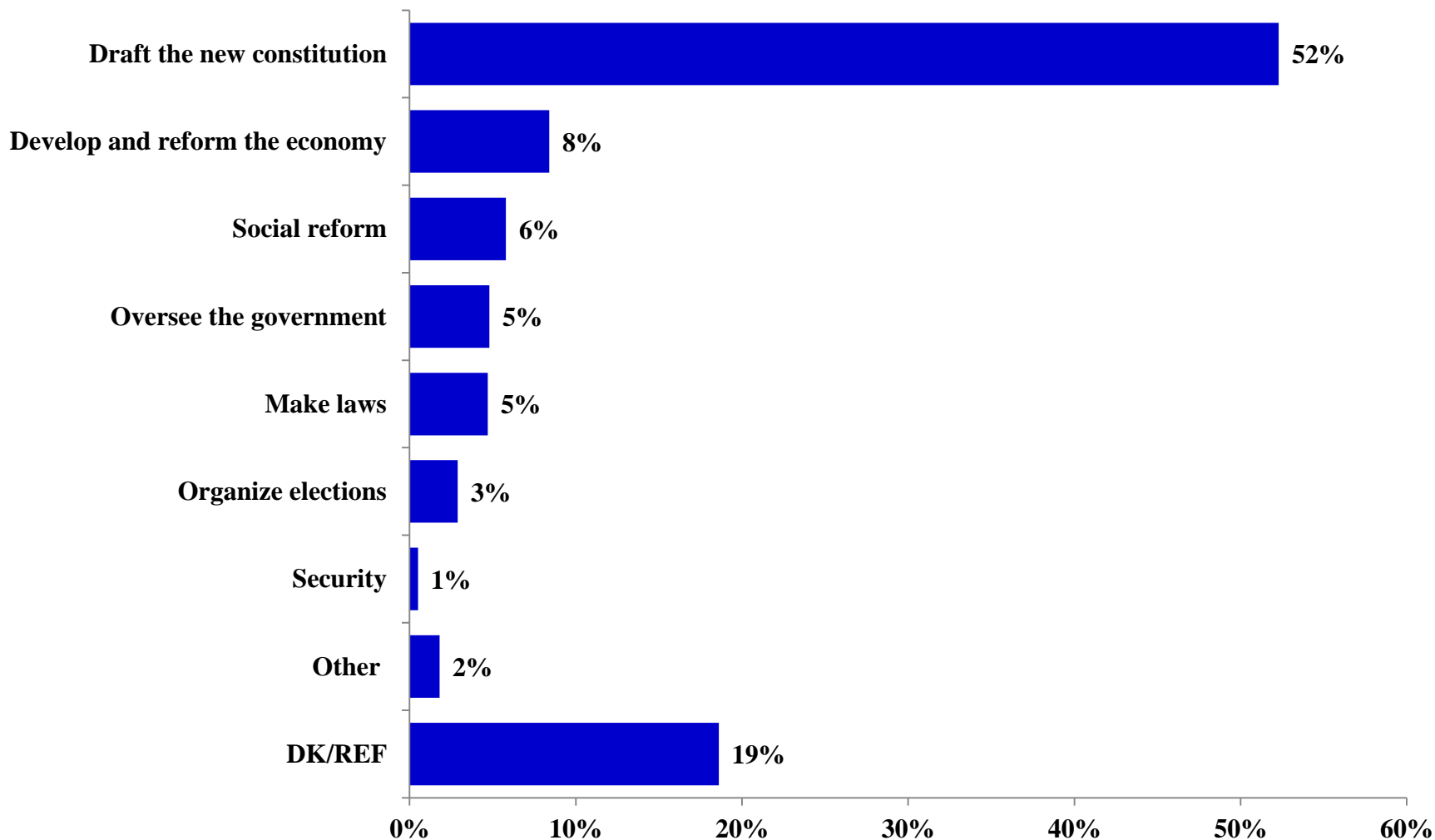
What kind of help should the government provide? (spontaneous response, n=345)



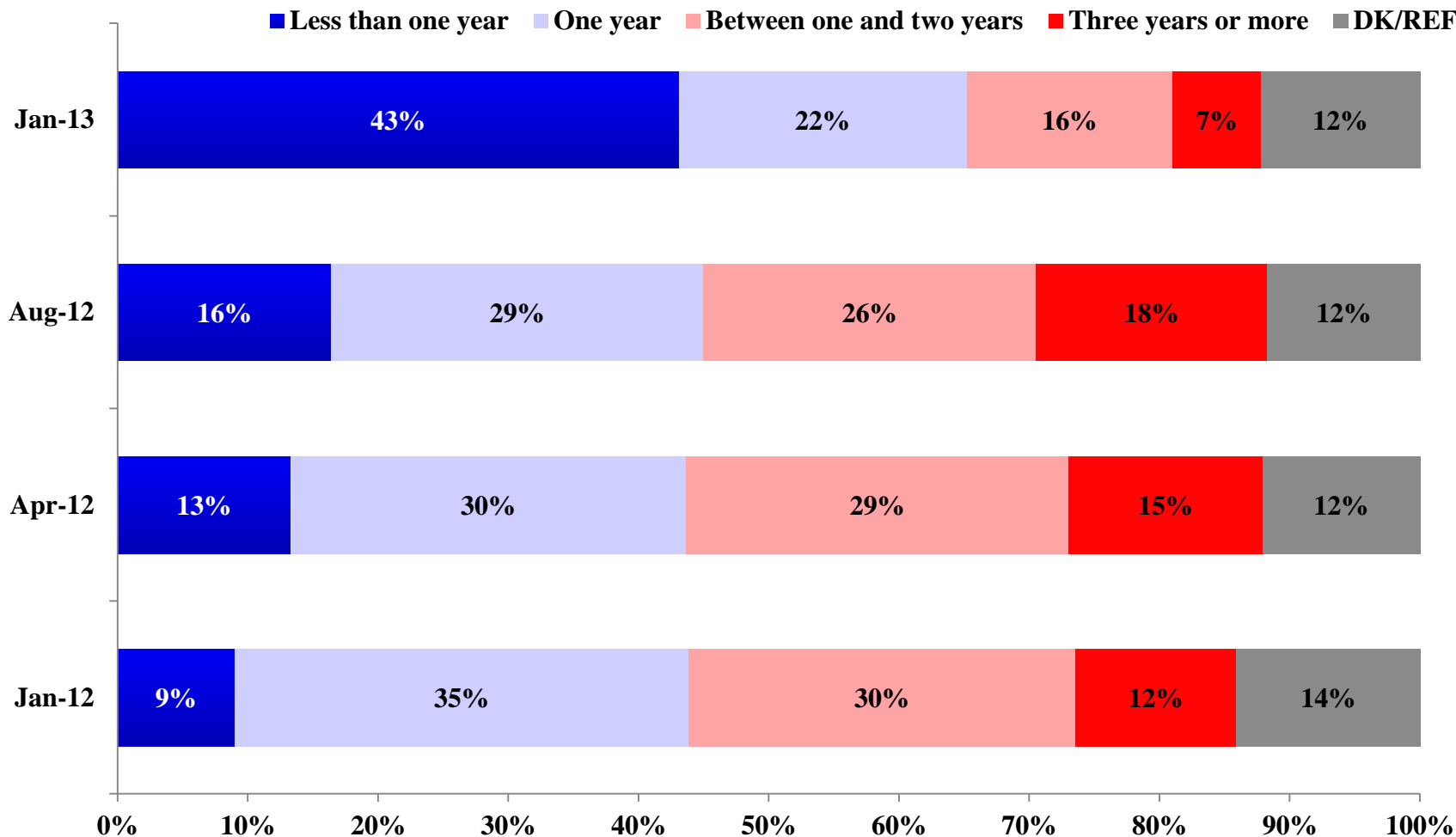
What do you think is the best way to increase jobs in Tunisia? (spontaneous response)



What do you believe is the primary role of the National Constituent Assembly?

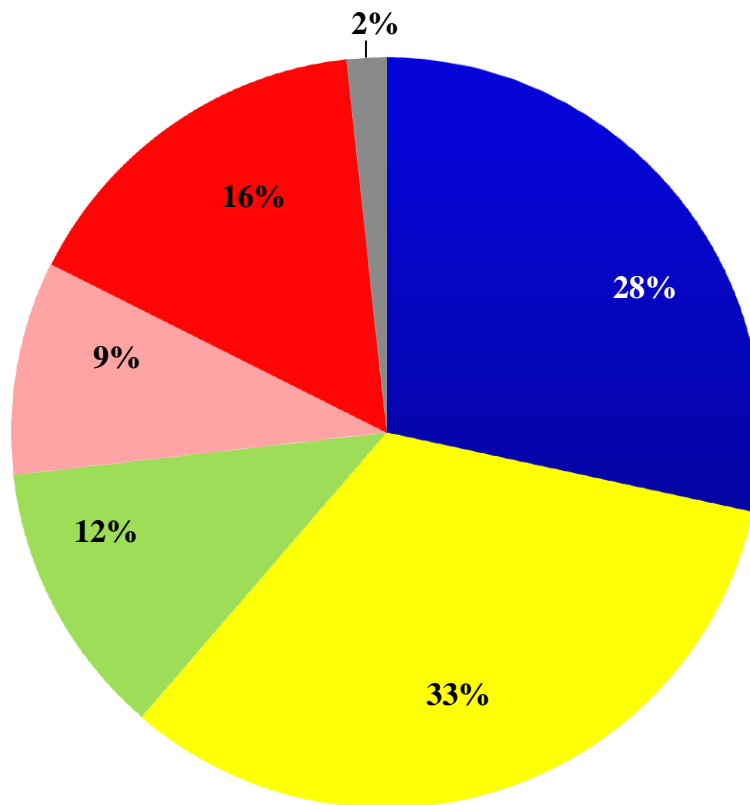


How long do you believe the National Constituent Assembly should take to complete its mandate?

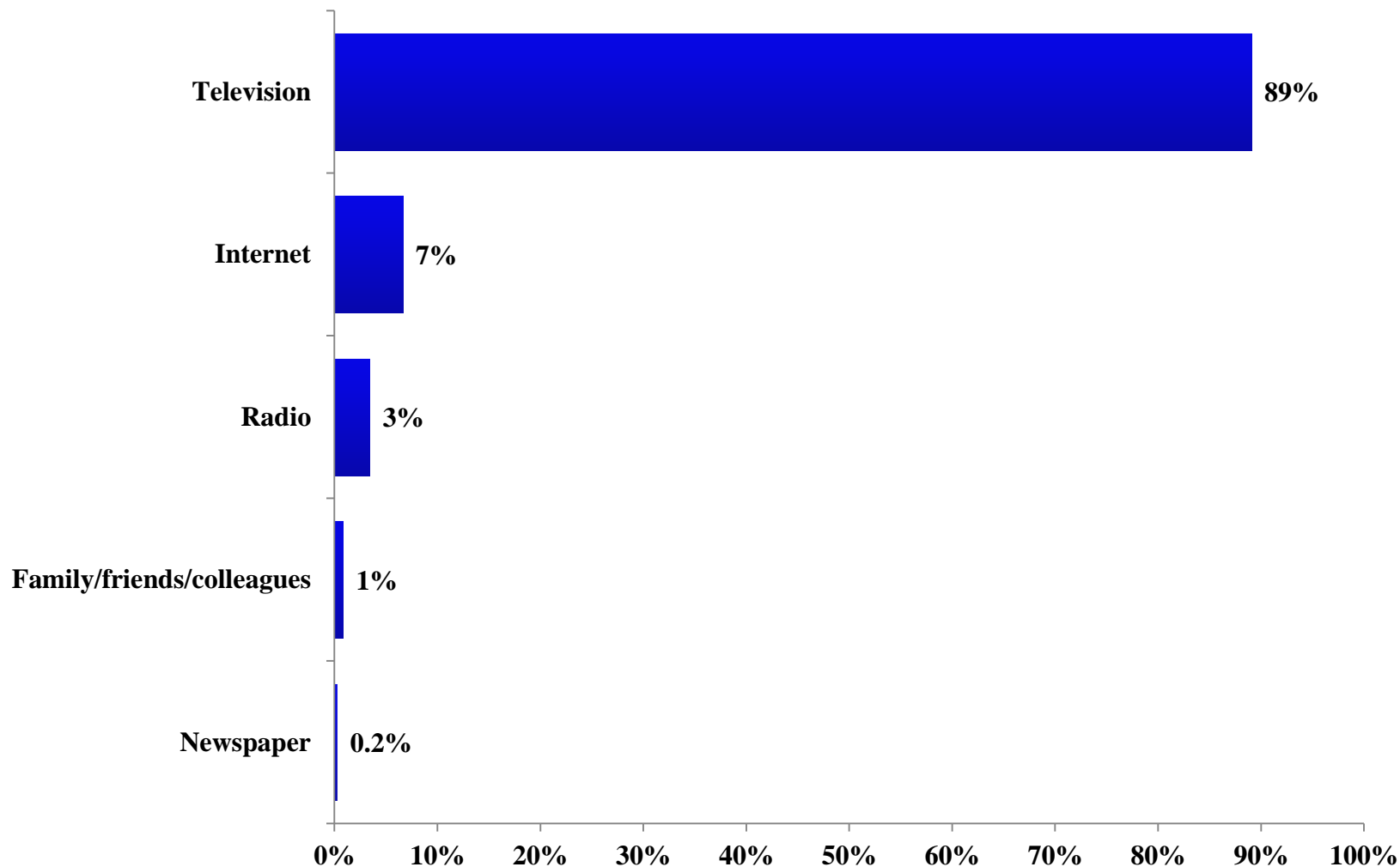


How often do you keep informed about the National Constituent Assembly's work?

■ Once a day ■ Once a week ■ Once a month ■ Less than once a month ■ Never ■ DK/REF



Where do you get your information about the work of the National Constituent Assembly?

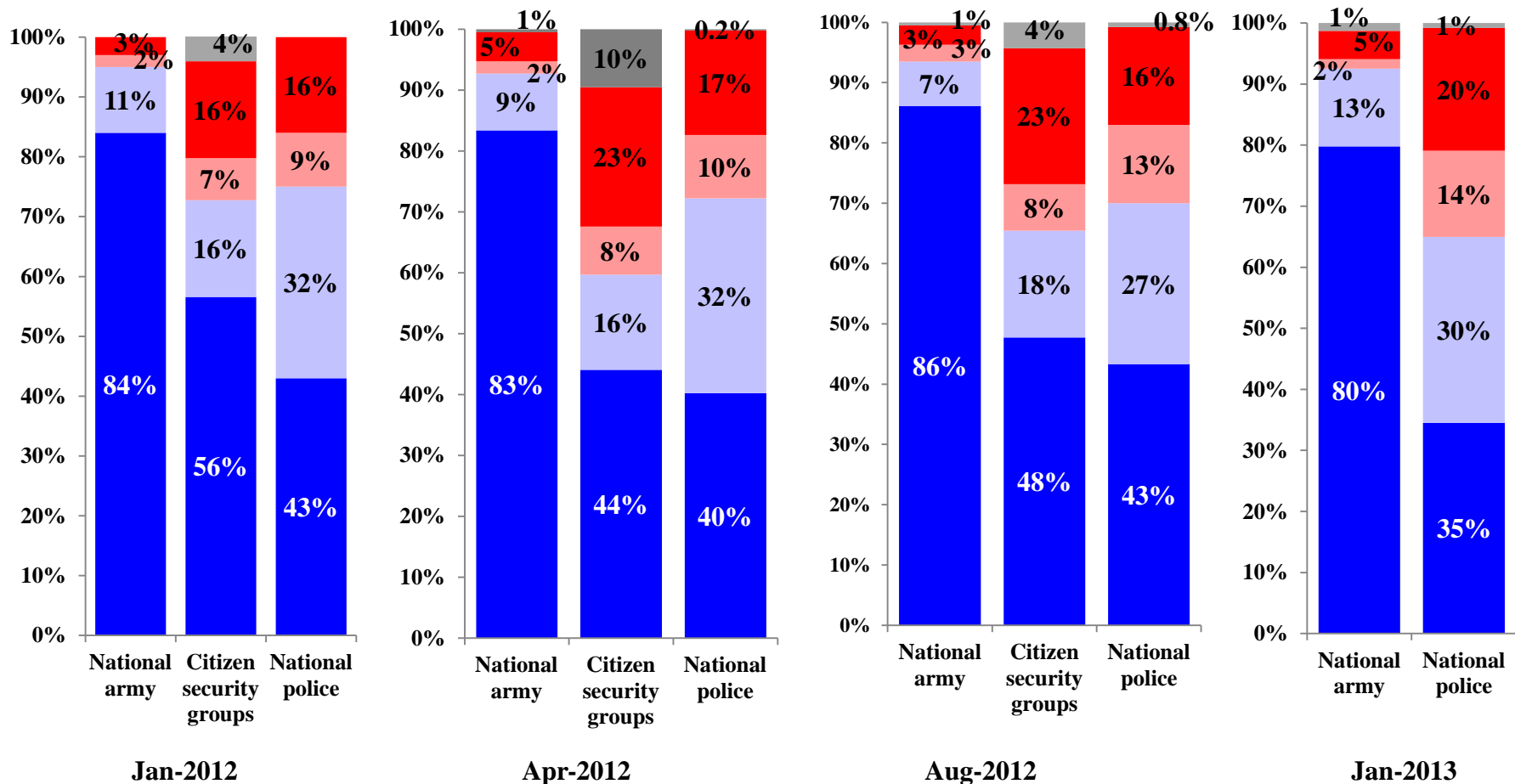


What would you say are the most important problems facing Tunisia as a whole? (spontaneous response, top responses only)

| | First Mention | Second Mention | Third Mention | Total |
|--|---------------|----------------|---------------|------------|
| Unemployment | 47% | 16% | 10% | 73% |
| Economy and financial crisis | 20% | 25% | 18% | 63% |
| Security | 9% | 23% | 18% | 50% |
| Strikes and sit-ins | 5% | 8% | 8% | 21% |
| Political conflicts and tensions | 6% | 7% | 7% | 19% |
| Violence, delinquency and vandalism | 4% | 4% | 6% | 14% |
| Corruption and transparency | 1% | 4% | 7% | 13% |
| Terrorism | 2% | 2% | 3% | 7% |
| Standard of living | 2% | 3% | 3% | 7% |
| Finishing the constitution | 1% | 1% | 1% | 4% |
| DK/REF | 0% | 3% | 14% | 17% |

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

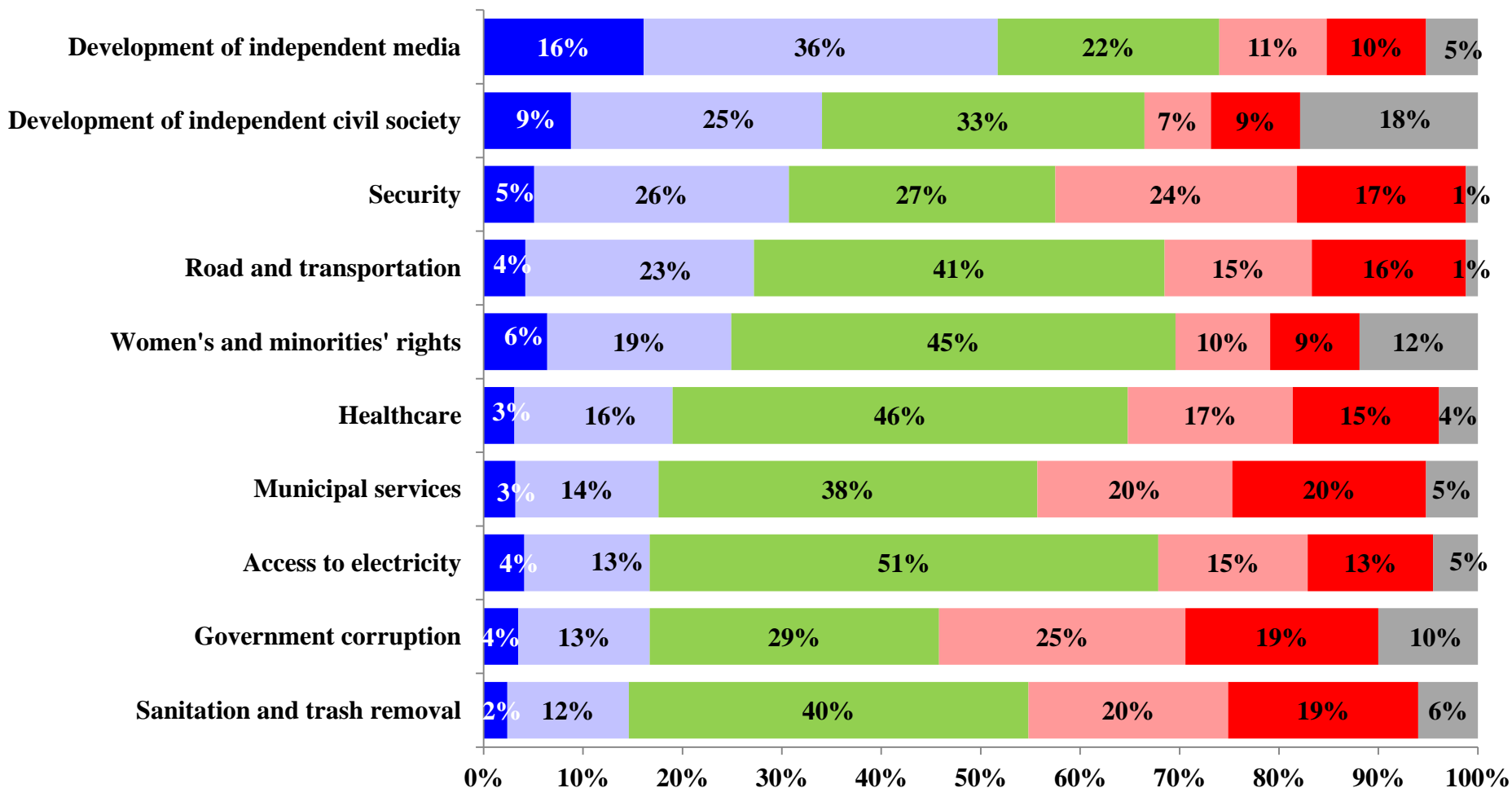
■ Great deal ■ Fair amount ■ Only a little ■ Not at all ■ DK/REF



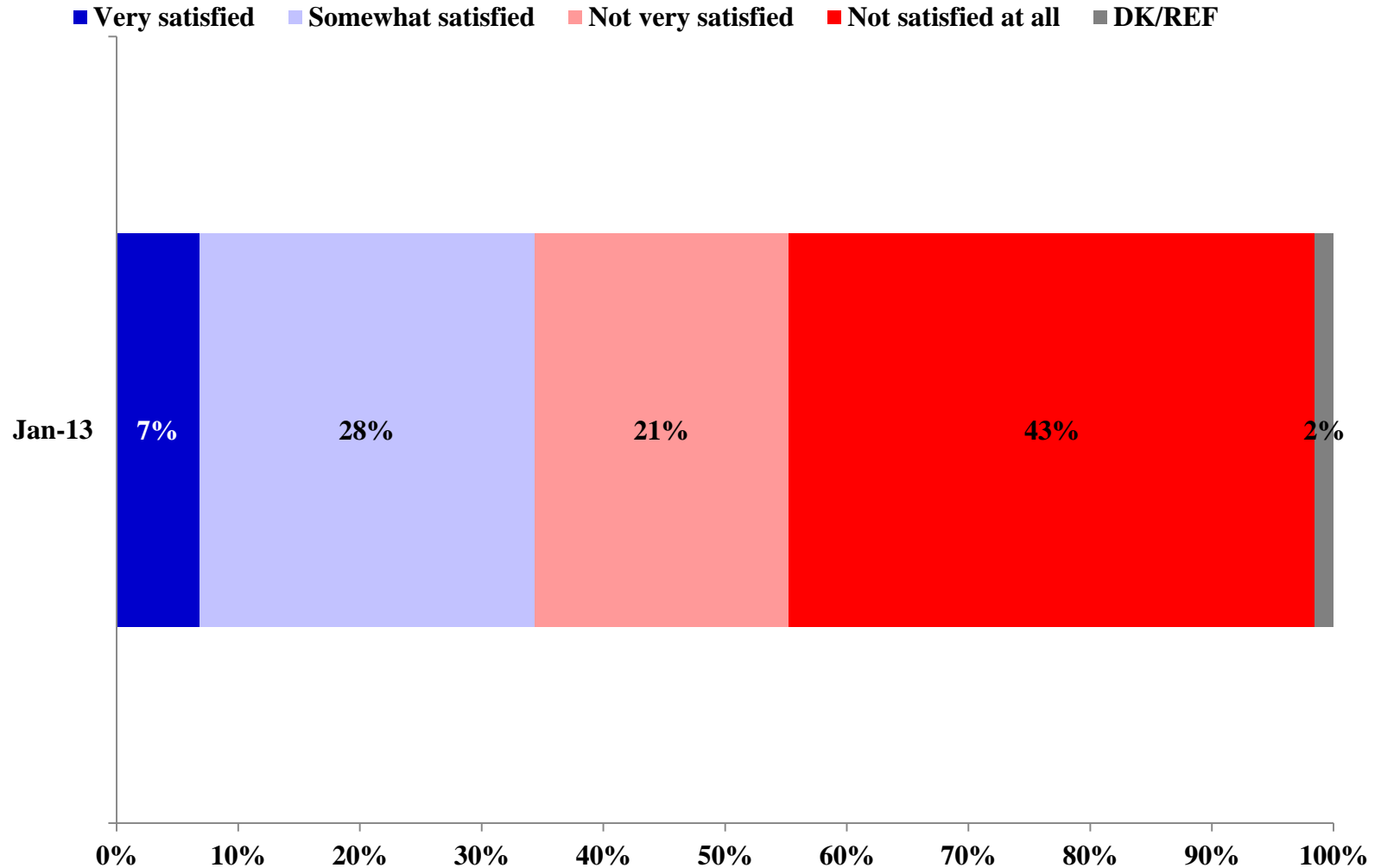
*Note: This is the first time IRI has asked the question with the choices limited to only national army and national police. Until August 2012 respondents were asked to rate their level of trust in the army, police and citizen-led security groups.

For each of the following issues, do you feel that the situation has gotten better, gotten worse or stayed the same over the last year?

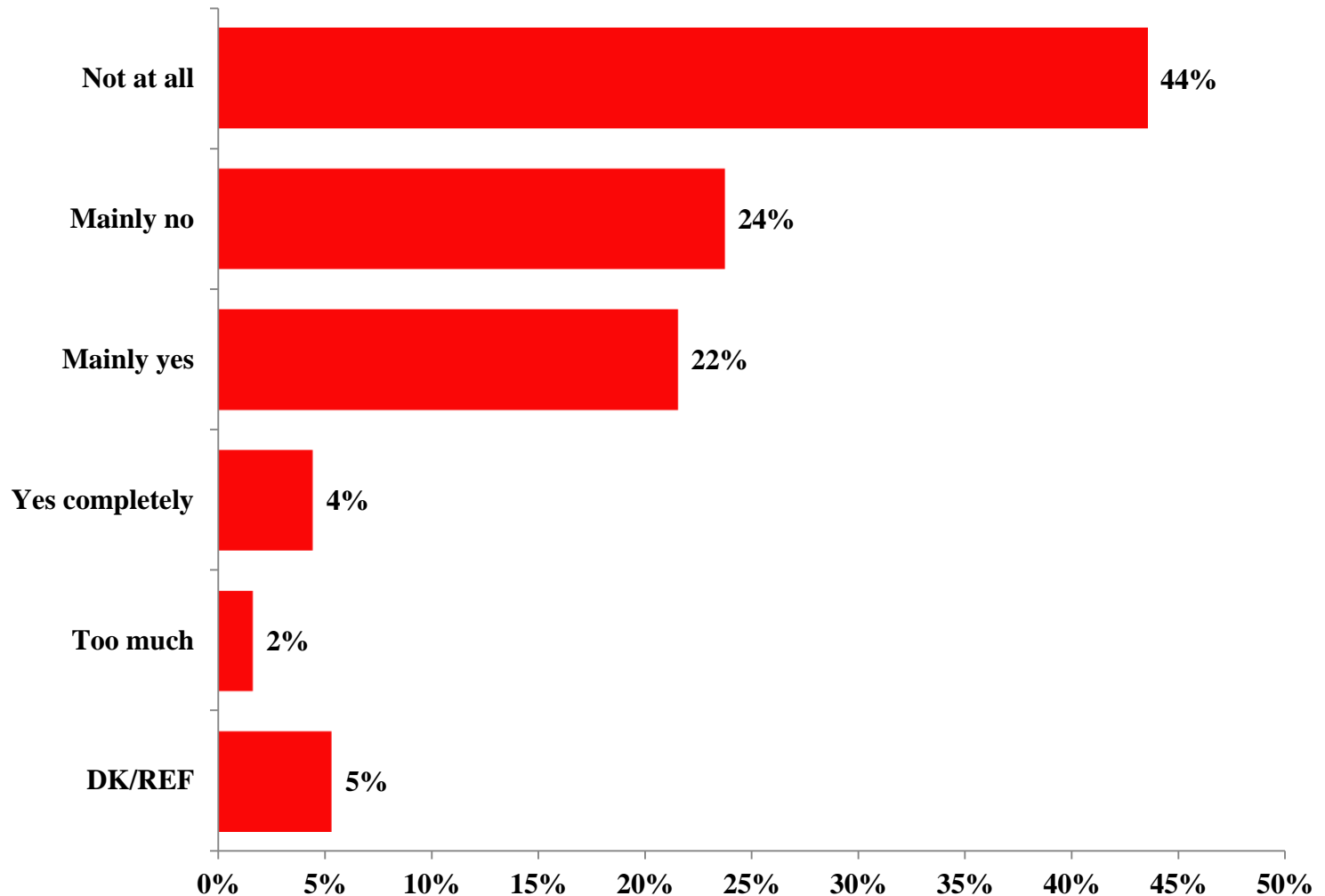
■ Much better ■ Somewhat better ■ Same ■ Somewhat worse ■ Much worse ■ DK/REF



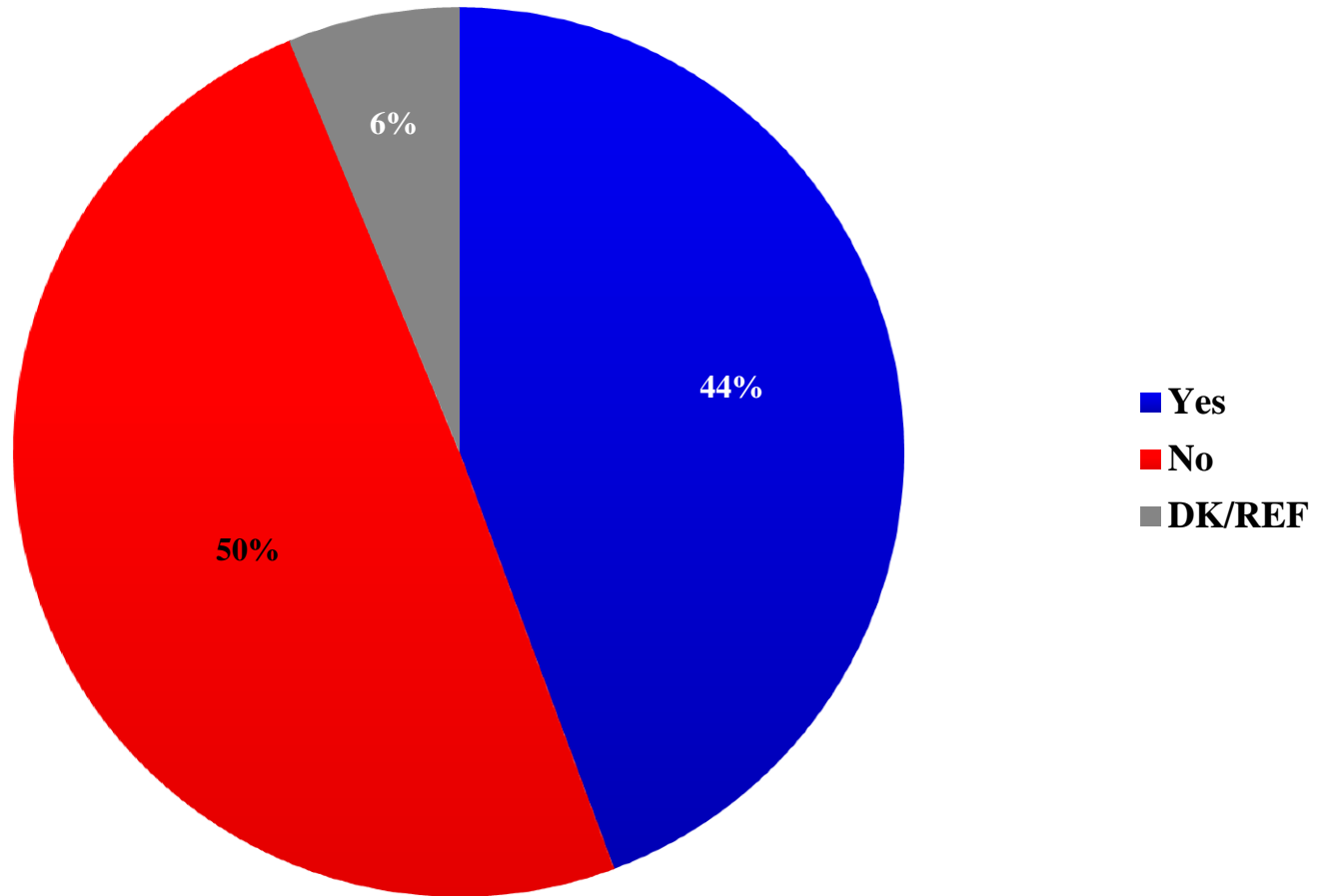
Thinking about the current government, which of the following best describes the government's performance?



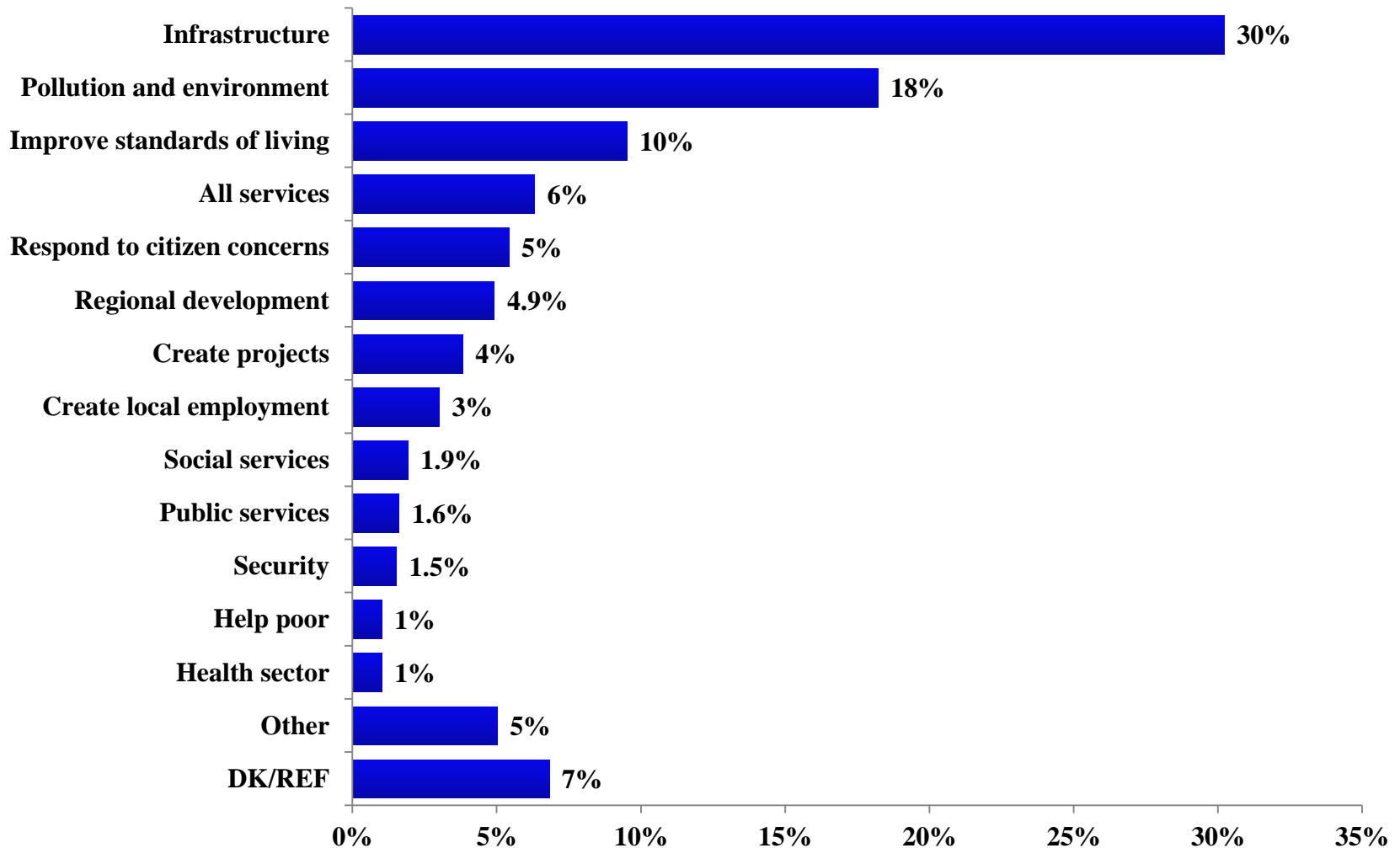
Do politicians in Tunis care enough about local problems in the rest of the country?



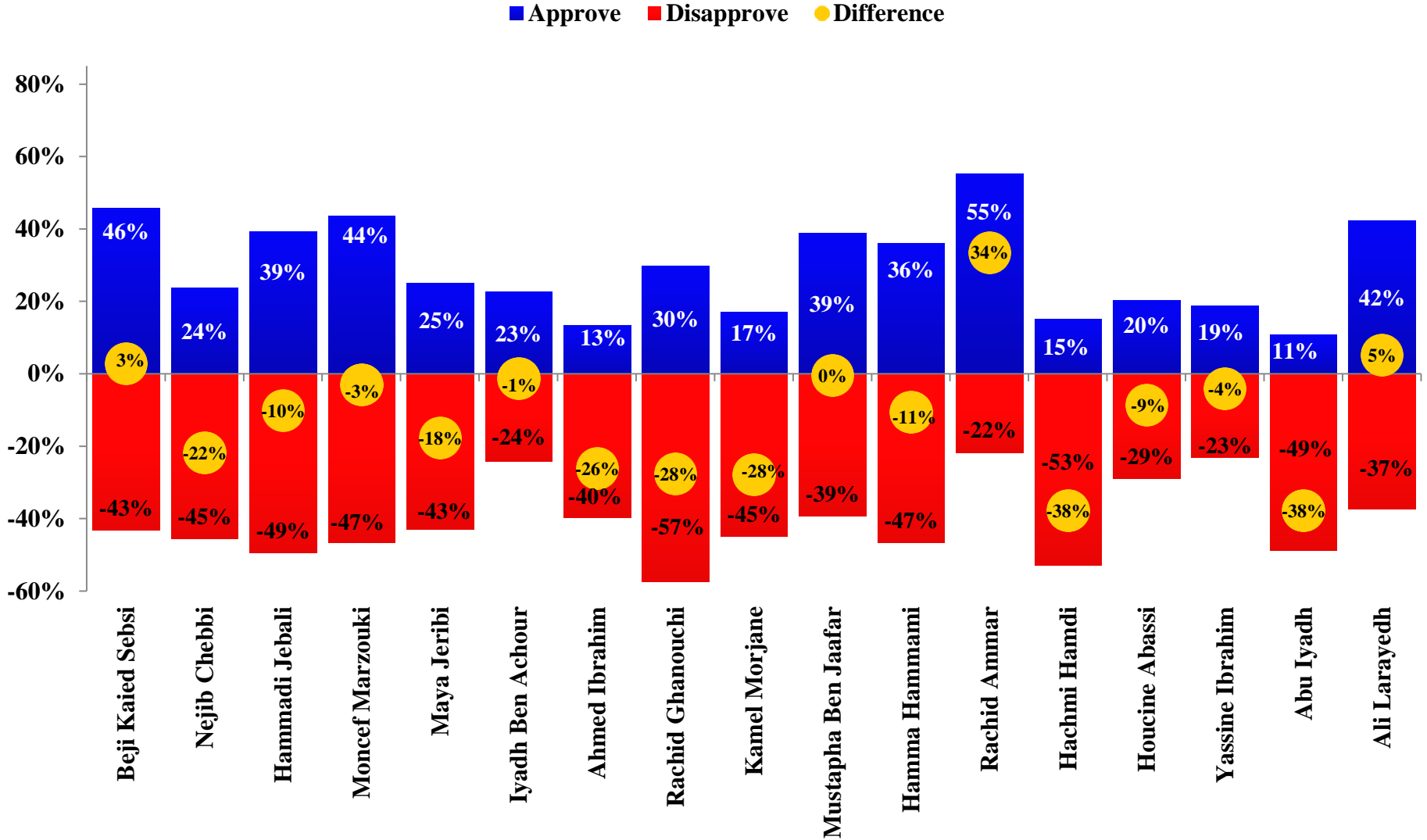
Can local councils improve conditions in your town?



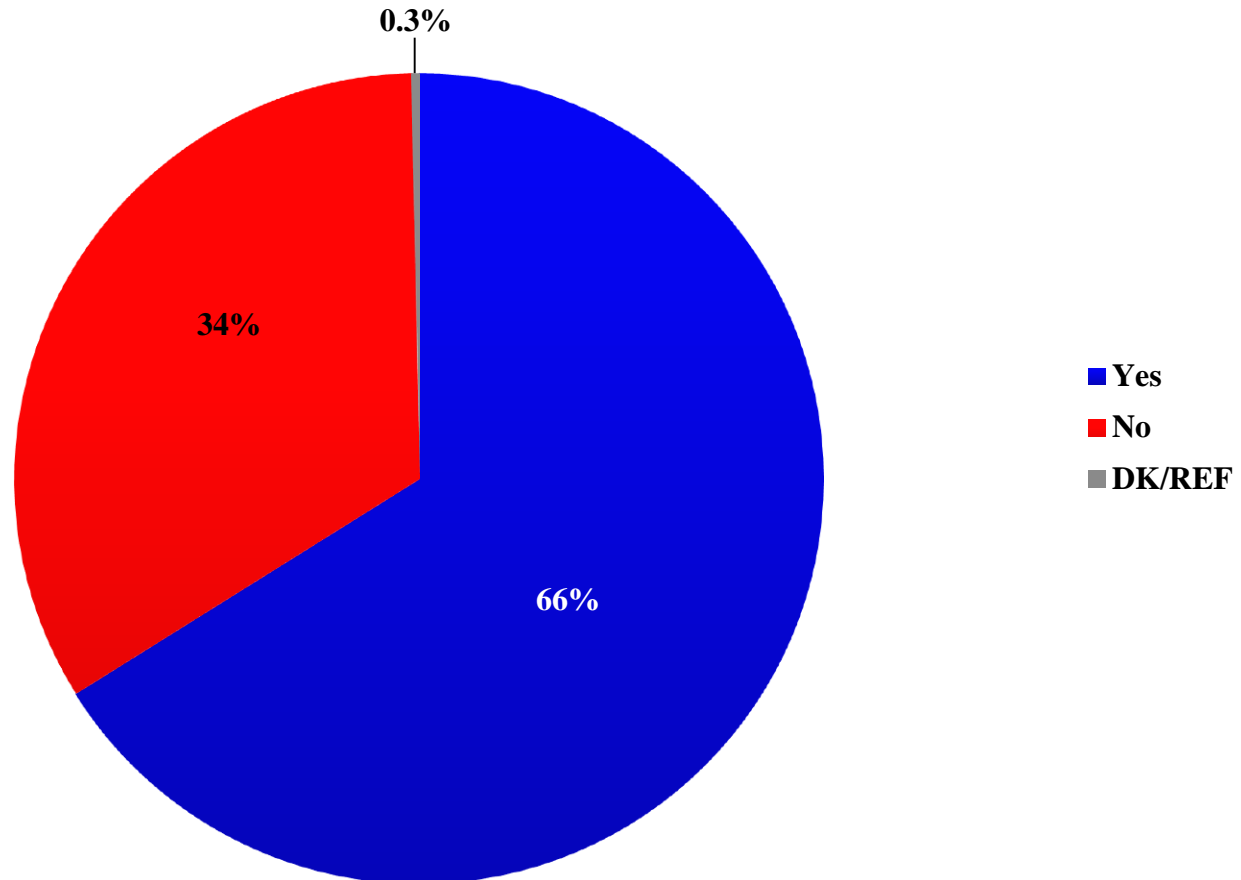
What do you believe local councils can improve? (spontaneous response)



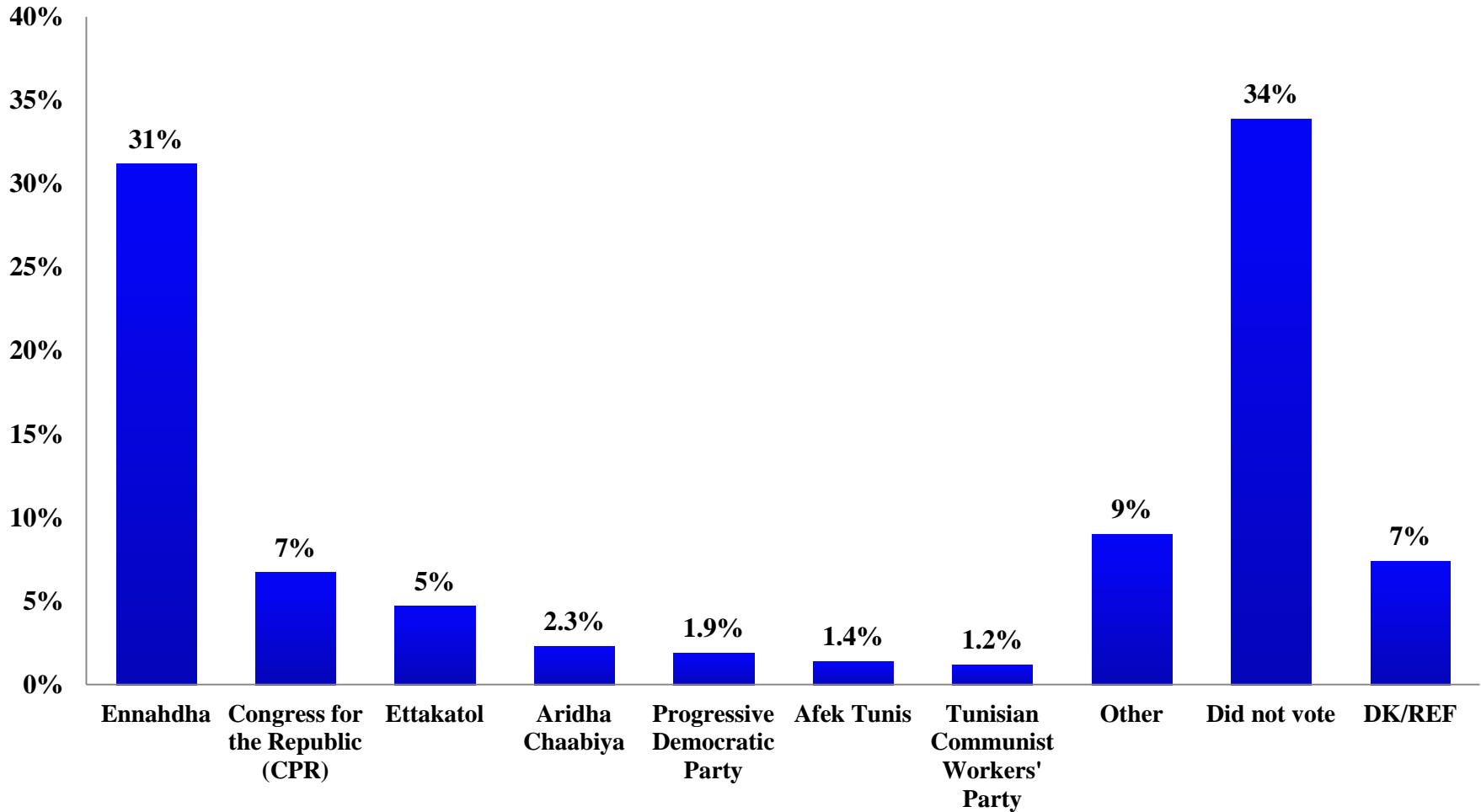
I would like to ask you about your impressions of the following people. Do you approve, somewhat approve, somewhat disapprove, or disapprove of the following:



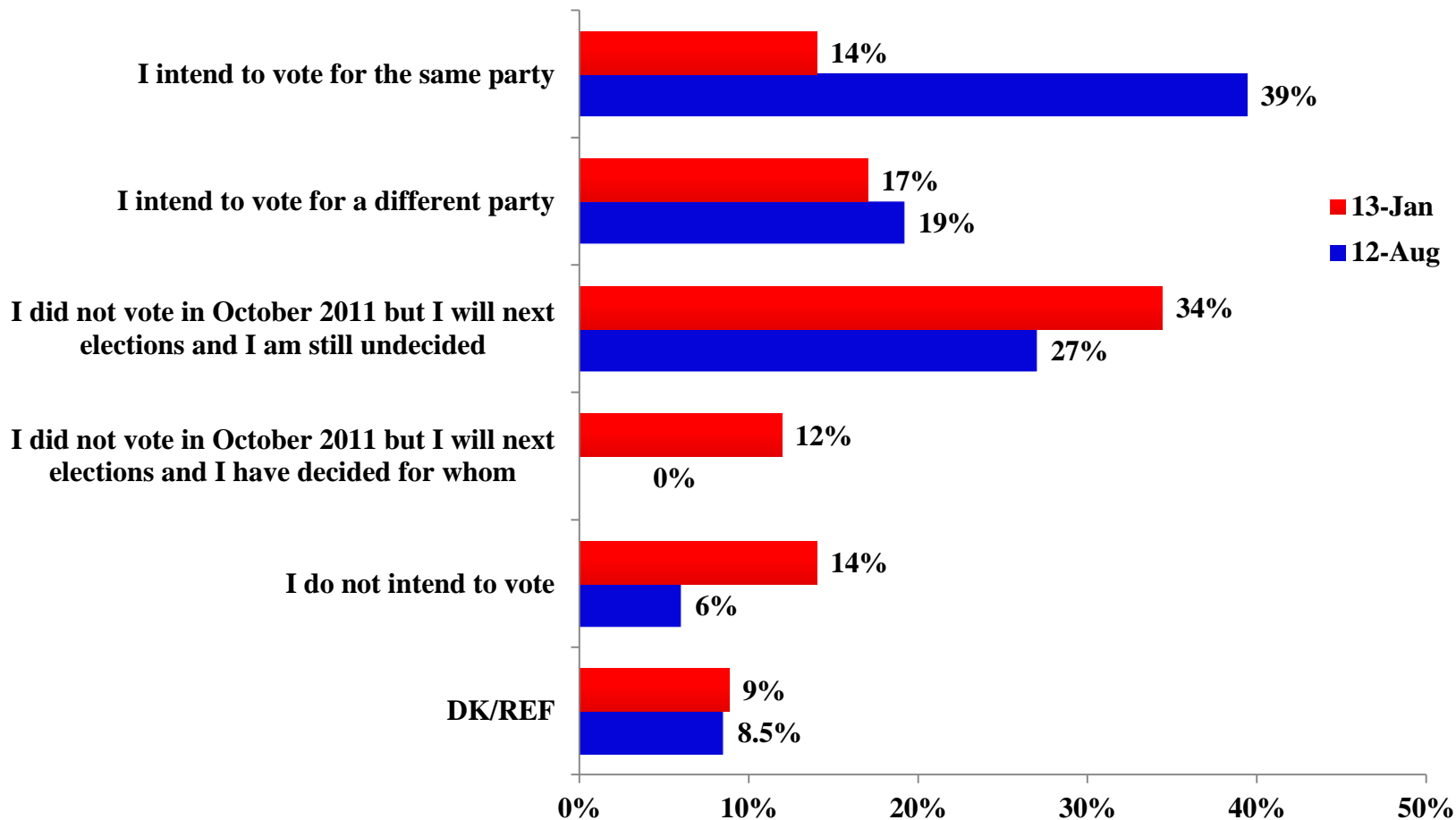
Did you vote in the October 23, 2011 National Constituent Assembly elections?



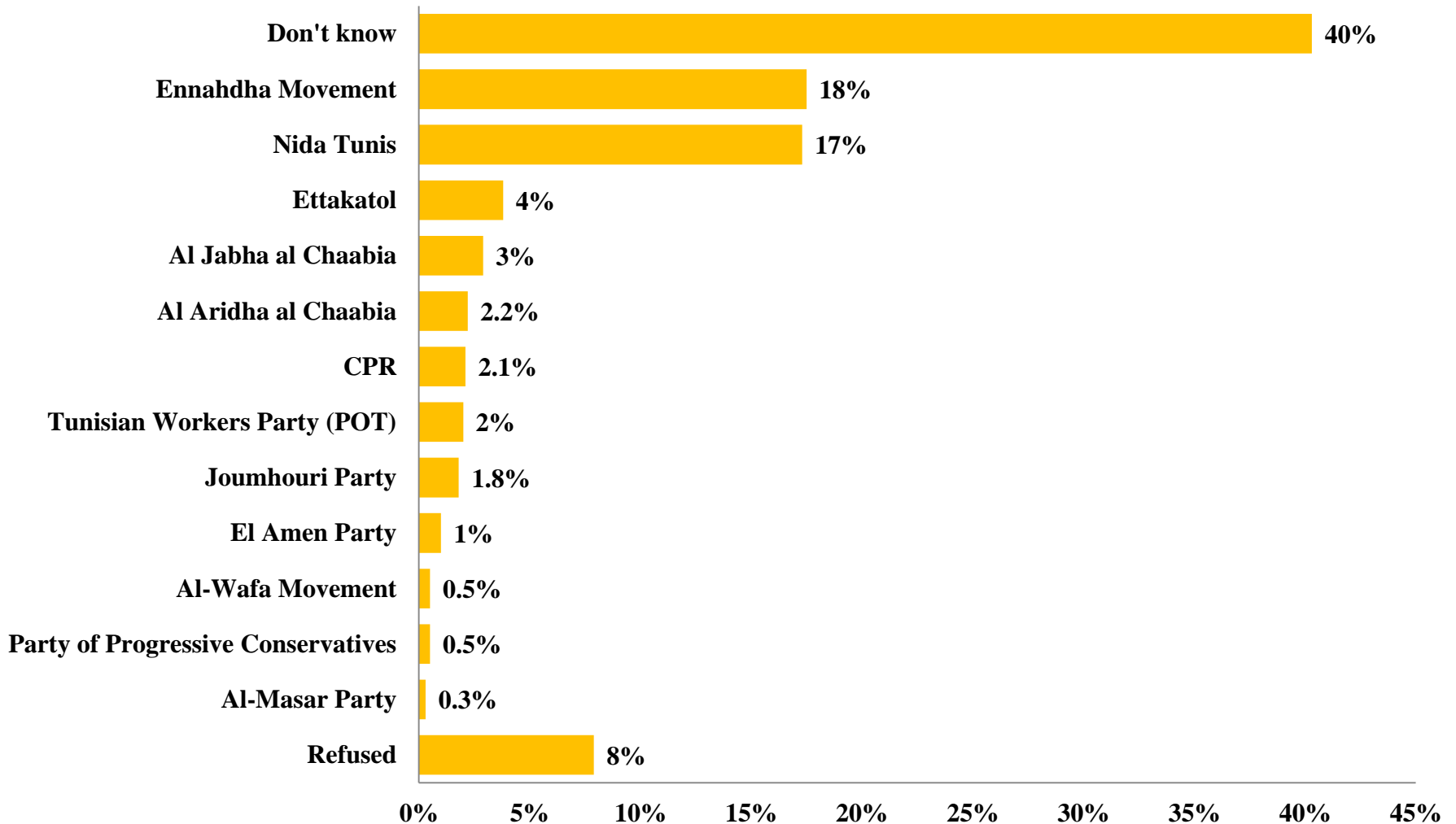
For whom did you vote in the National Constituent Assembly elections?



Looking ahead to the next elections, do you intend to vote for the same party, or a different party?



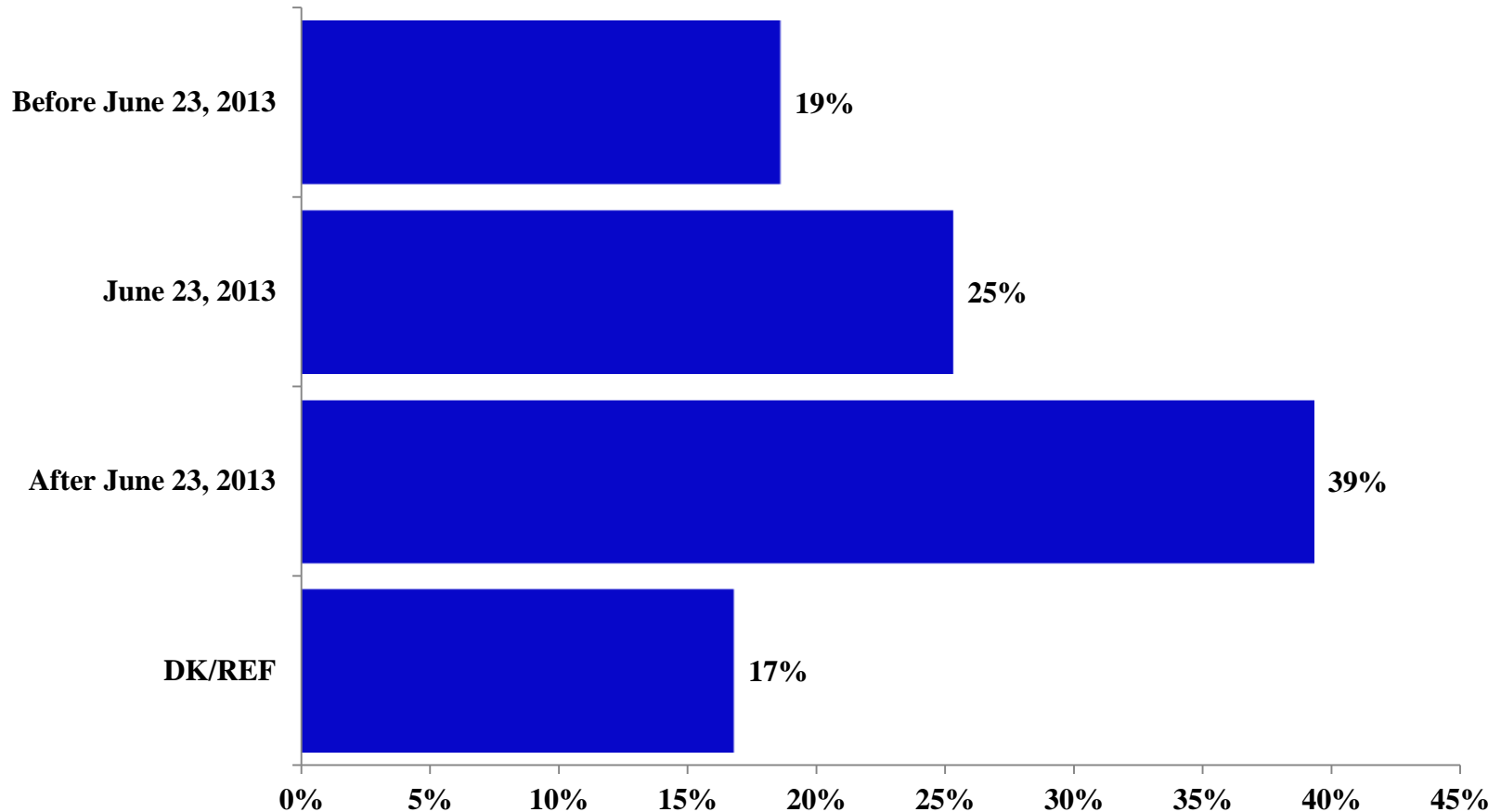
If you had to choose from the following political parties, for whom would you vote in the next elections?



Regardless of which party you support, which party do you think would do the best job handling the following issues?

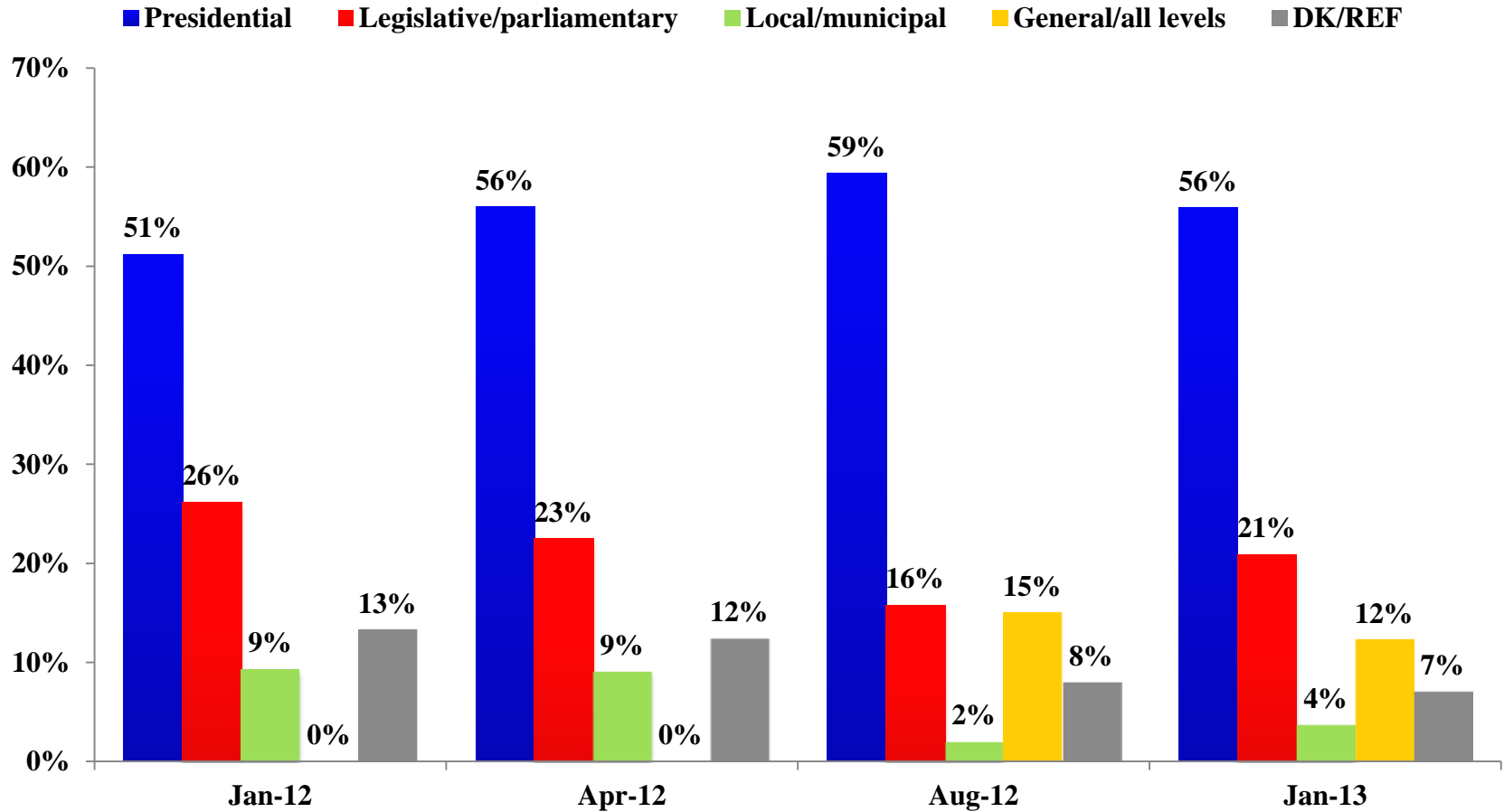
| | Civil liberties | Constitution reform | Corruption | Economic growth | Living standards | Security | Unemployment | Women's rights |
|-----------------------|-----------------|---------------------|------------|-----------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------------|
| Ennahdha | 14% | 14% | 15% | 16% | 14% | 18% | 14% | 13% |
| Nida Tunis | 10% | 11% | 10% | 14% | 12% | 14% | 11% | 12% |
| CPR | 4% | 4% | 5% | 4% | 3% | 2% | 3% | 3% |
| Jabha Chaabia | 4% | 2% | 2% | 3% | 2% | 1% | 3% | 2% |
| POT | 3% | 1% | 2% | 2% | 3% | 1% | 6% | 2% |
| Ettakatol | 2% | 3% | 1% | 2% | 2% | 2% | 2% | 3% |
| Al Joumhour | 2% | 2% | 1% | 2% | 1% | 1% | 2% | 3% |
| Aridha Chaabia | 2% | 1% | 1% | 1% | 2% | 2% | 2% | 1% |
| El Amen | 0.3% | 0.1% | 0.2% | 0.1% | 0.3% | 0.1% | 0.1% | 0.1% |
| None | 12% | 11% | 13% | 12% | 13% | 12% | 13% | 11% |
| Other | 2% | 2% | 2% | 2% | 2% | 2% | 2% | 2% |
| DK/REF | 48% | 49% | 47% | 42% | 46% | 45% | 43% | 47% |

When do you believe Tunisia's next elections will occur?

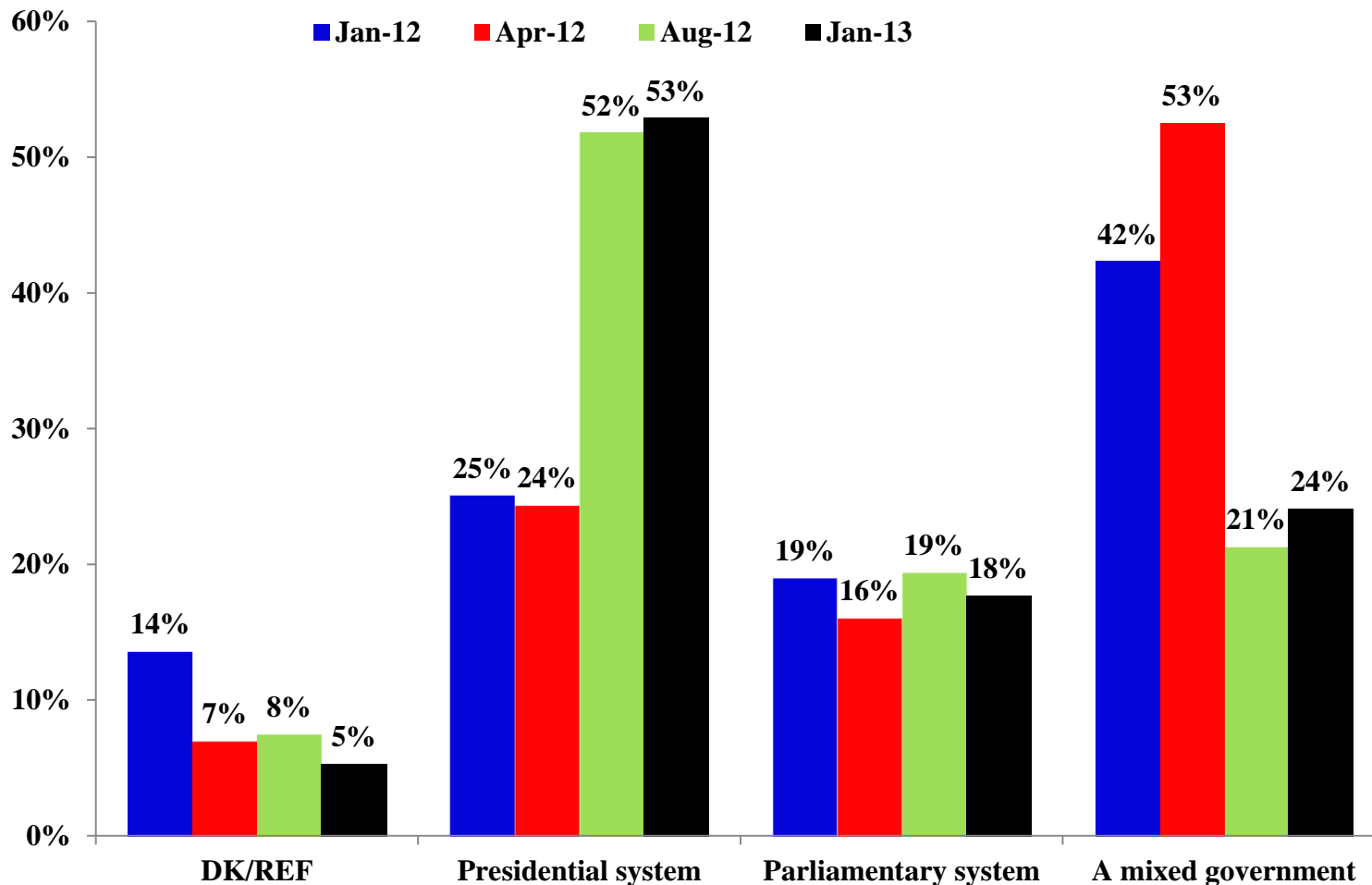


***Note:** Though the current government has indicated a desire to hold elections by June 23, 2013, no elections have yet been called. It is expected that elections will be called only after a new constitution is ratified.

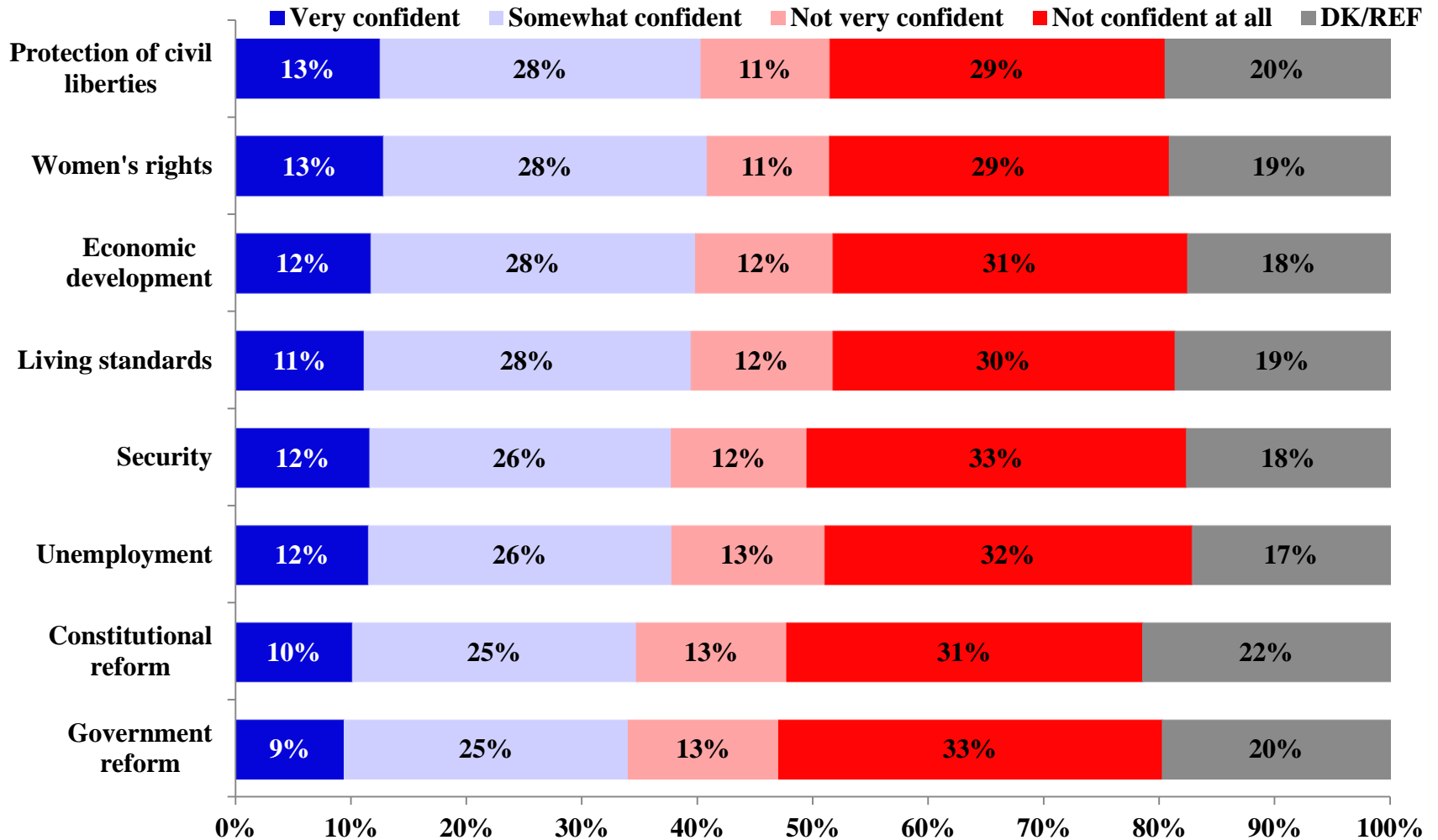
In your opinion, what kind of elections will these be?



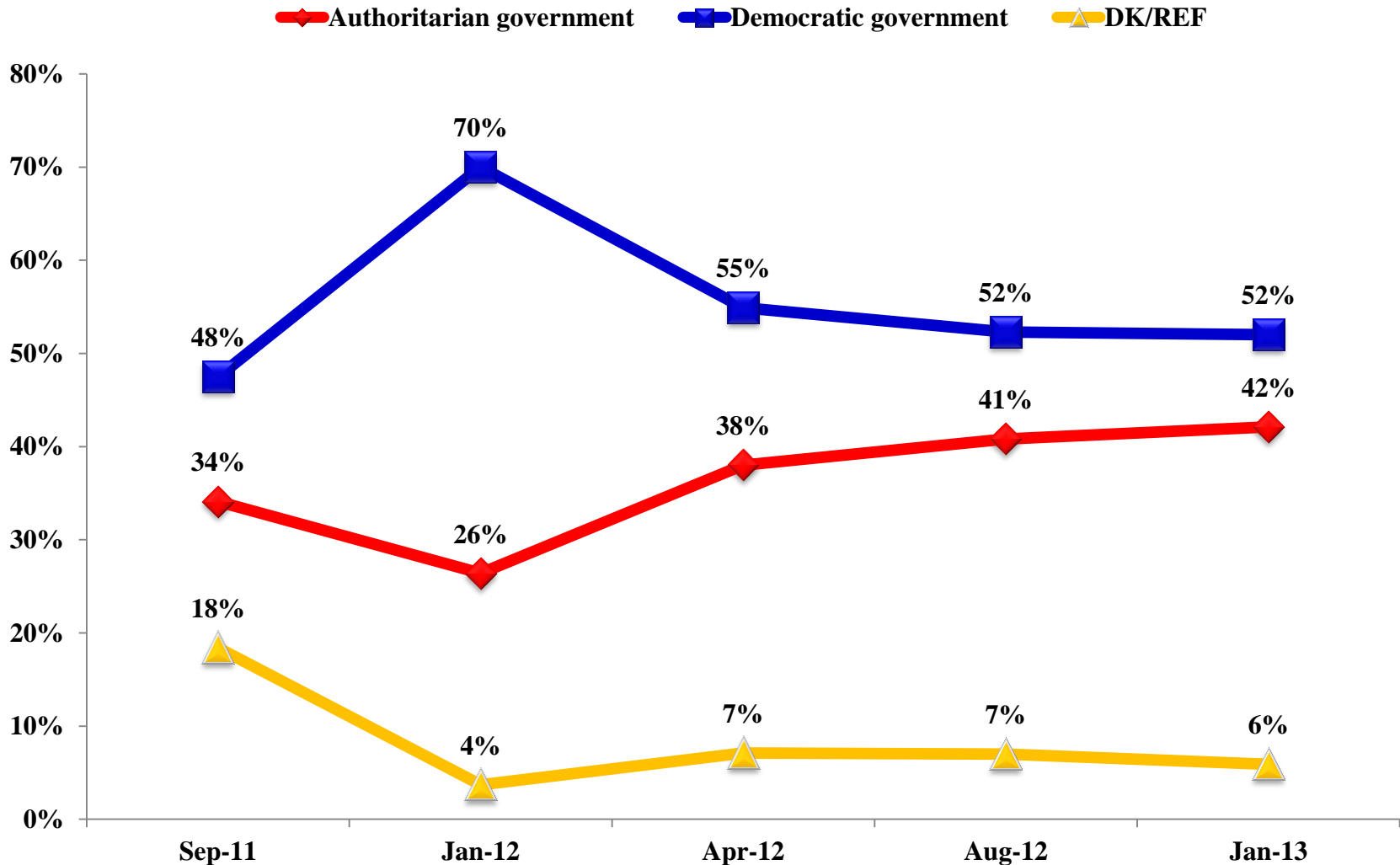
If you could pick, which type of government would you prefer in Tunisia?



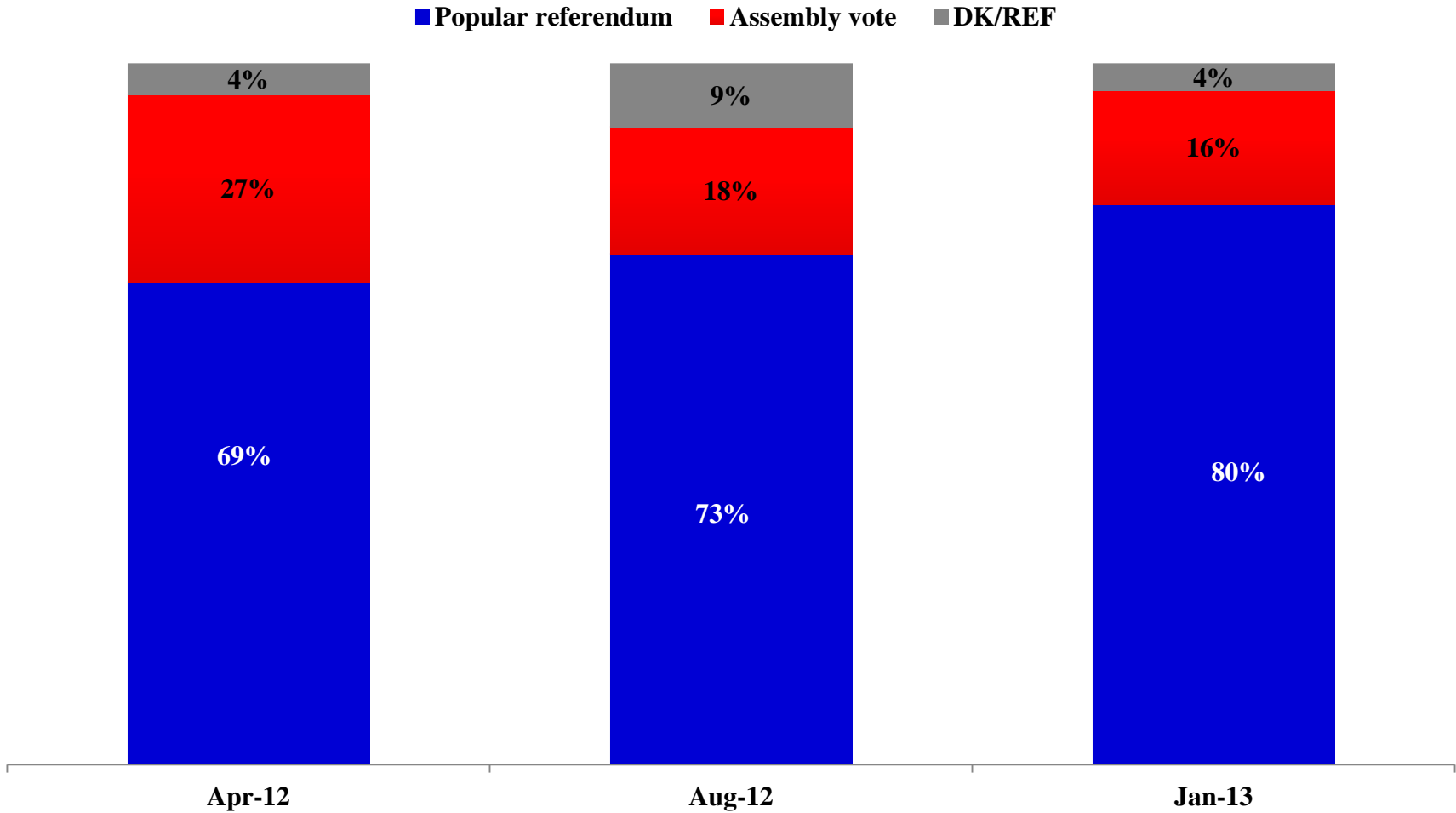
Regardless of which party you support, in your opinion how confident are you in the opposition to handle the following issues?



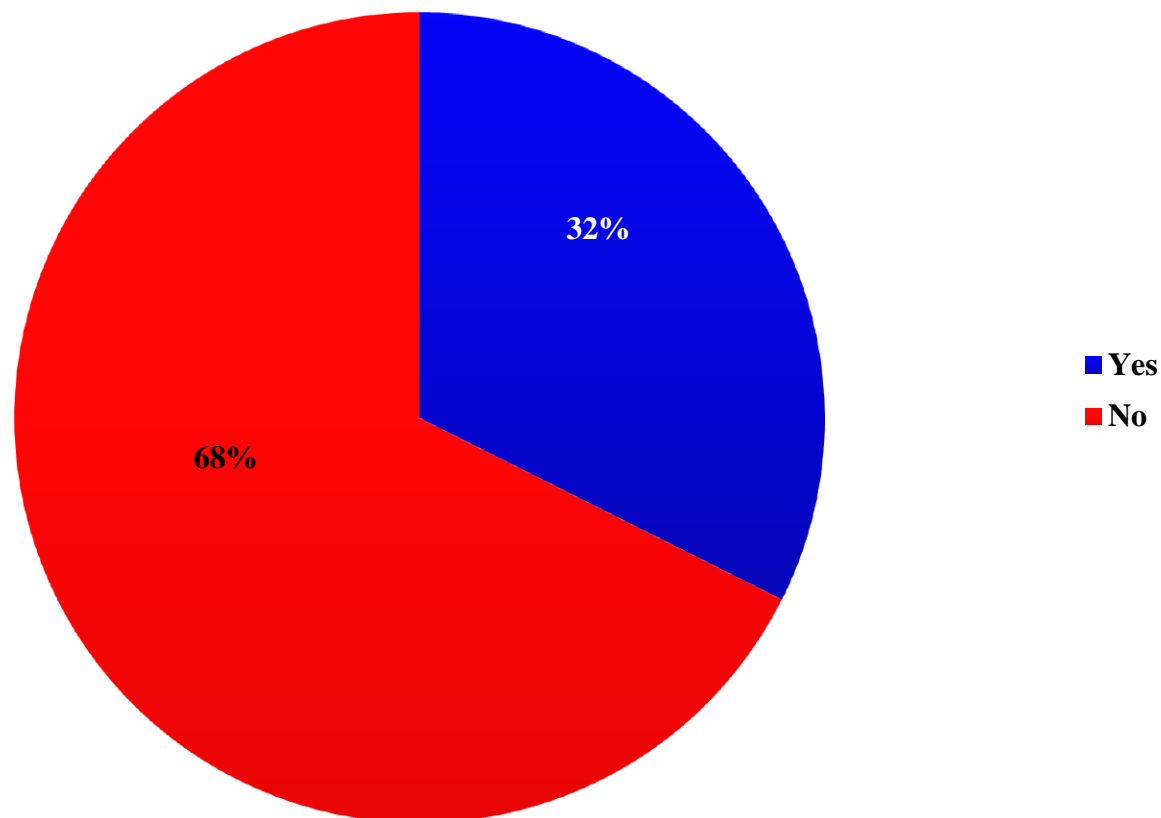
If you had a choice between a stable and prosperous Tunisia that was ruled by a non-democratic government, or a democratic government that led to an unstable and insecure Tunisia which would you choose?



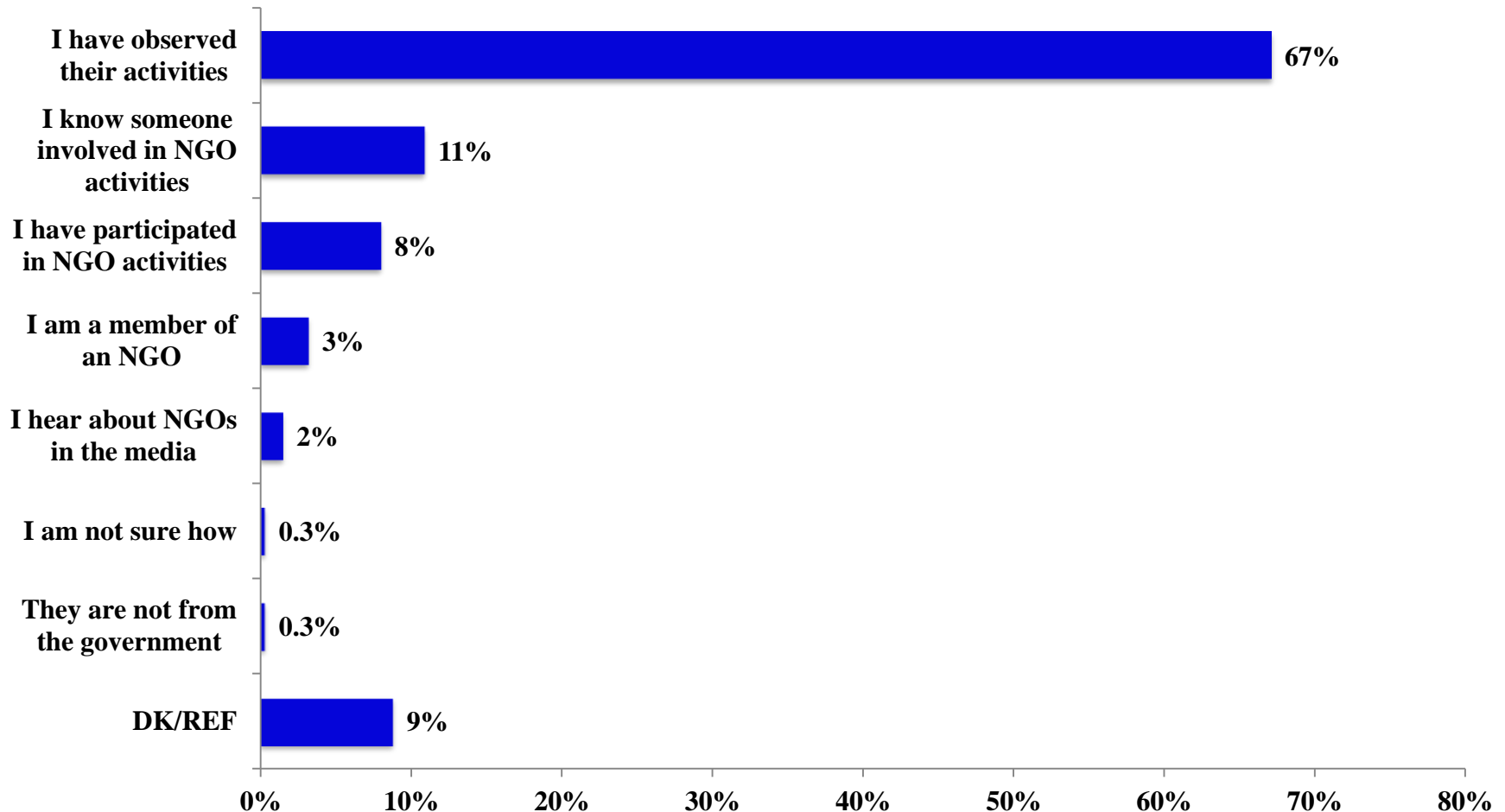
Once the constitution is complete, would you prefer that it be submitted to a referendum or a vote within the National Constituent Assembly?



Are you aware of the work of non-governmental organizations (NGO) in Tunisia?

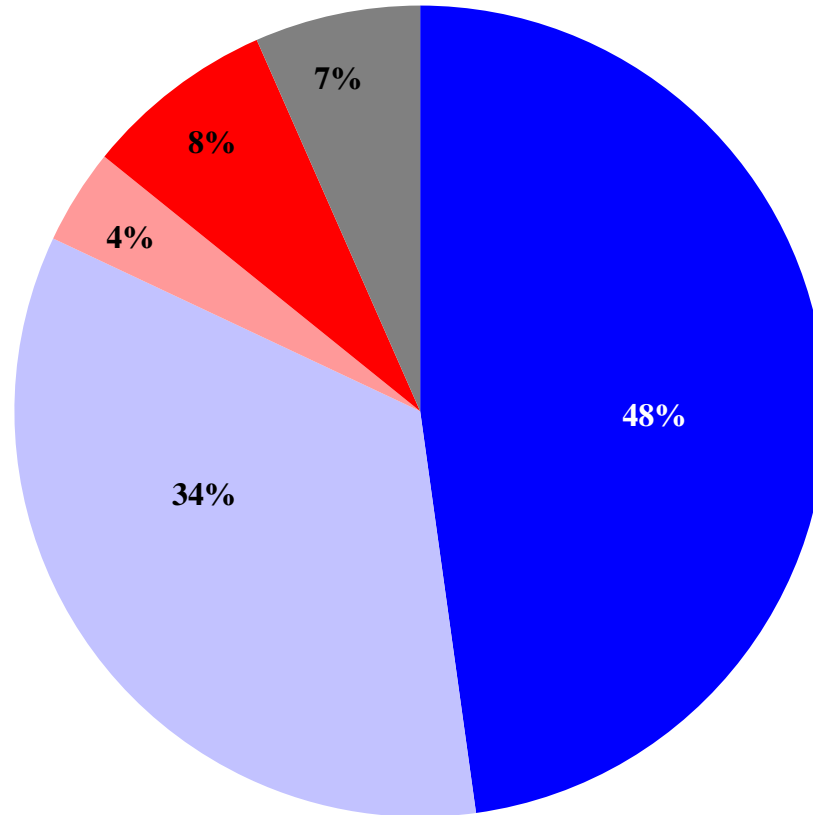


How do you know about the work of NGOs in Tunisia? (n =522)

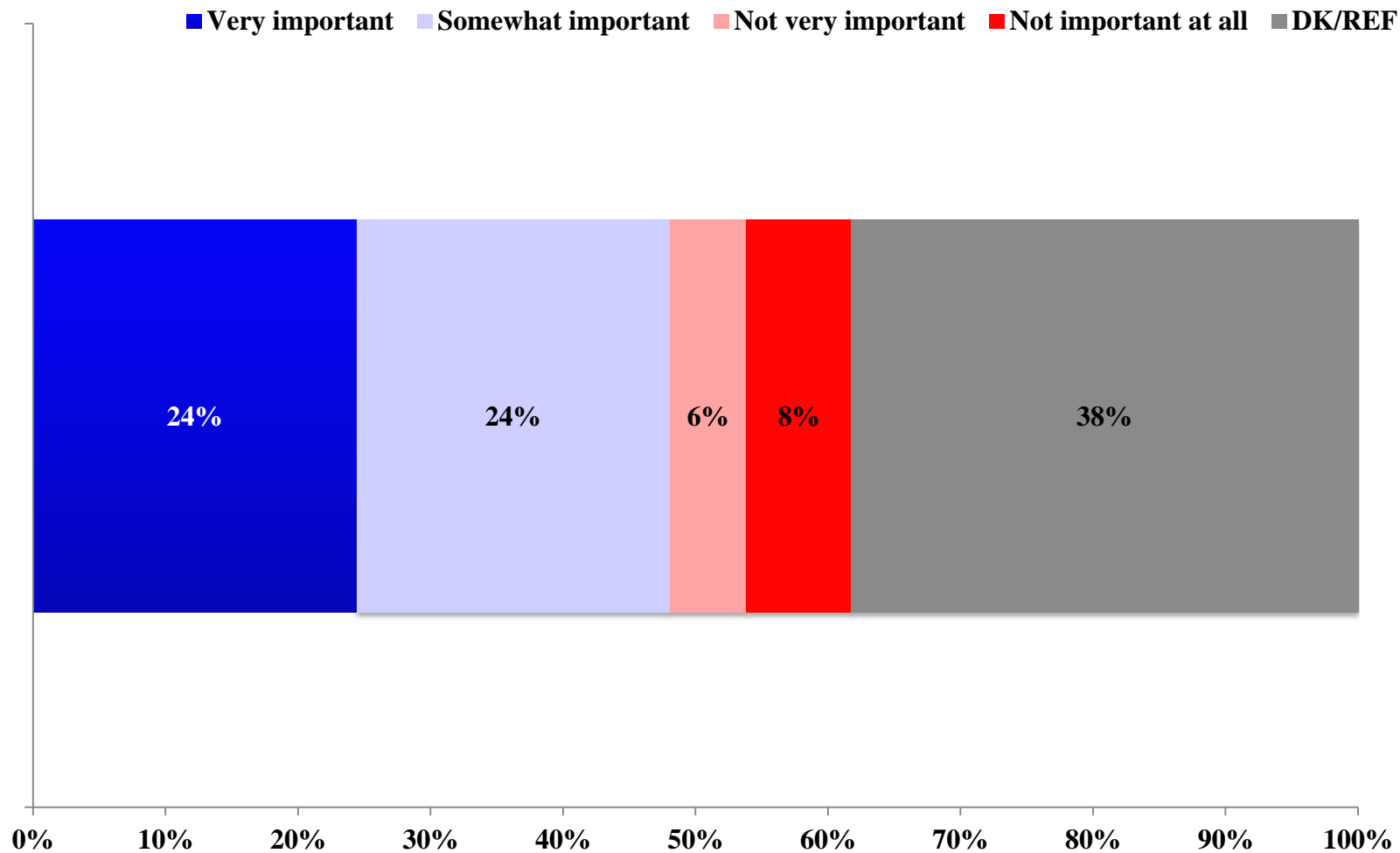


In your opinion, do you strongly approve, somewhat approve, somewhat disapprove, or strongly disapprove the work of NGOs in Tunisia?

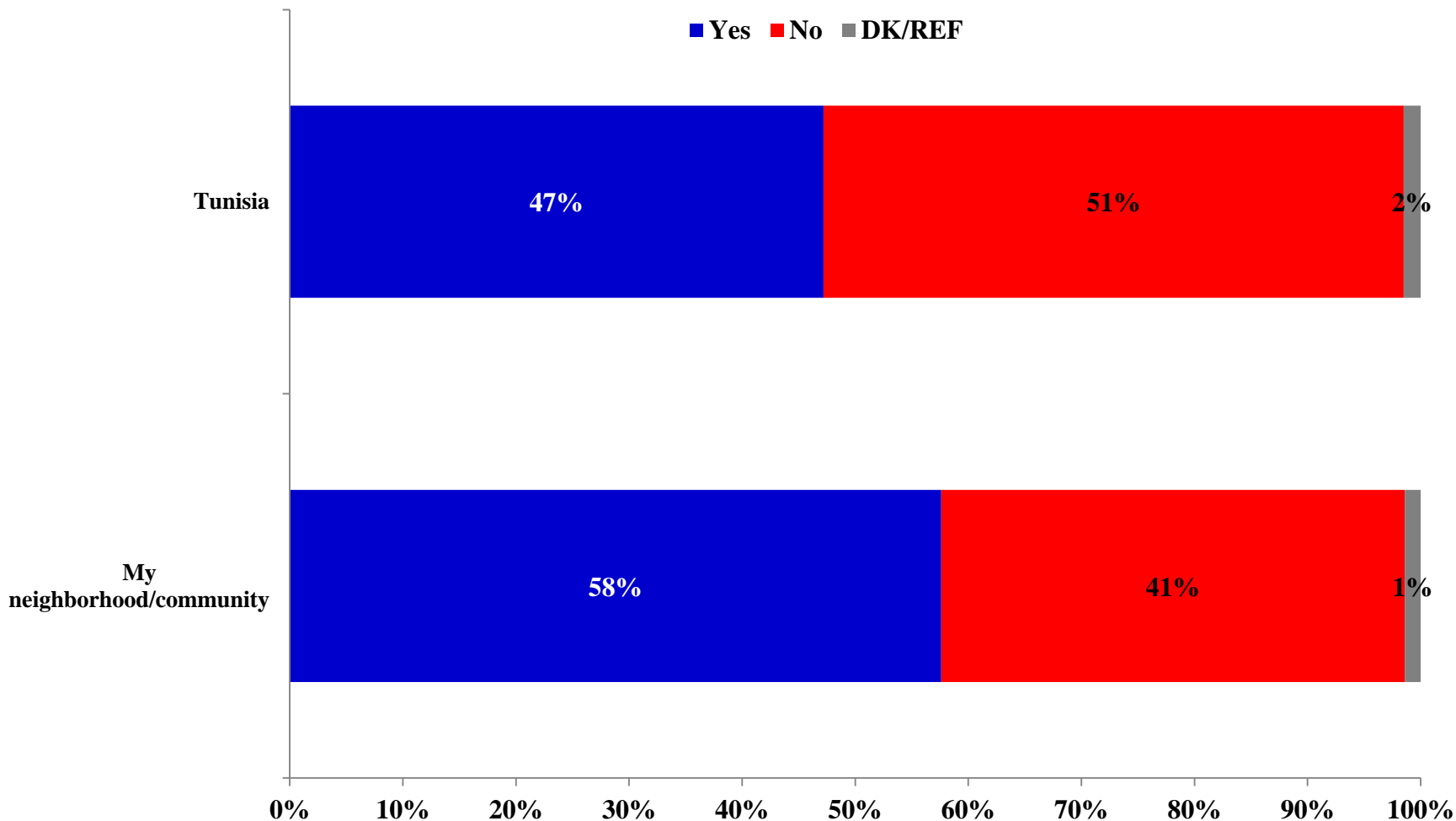
■ Strongly approve ■ Somewhat approve ■ Somewhat disapprove ■ Strongly disapprove ■ DK/REF



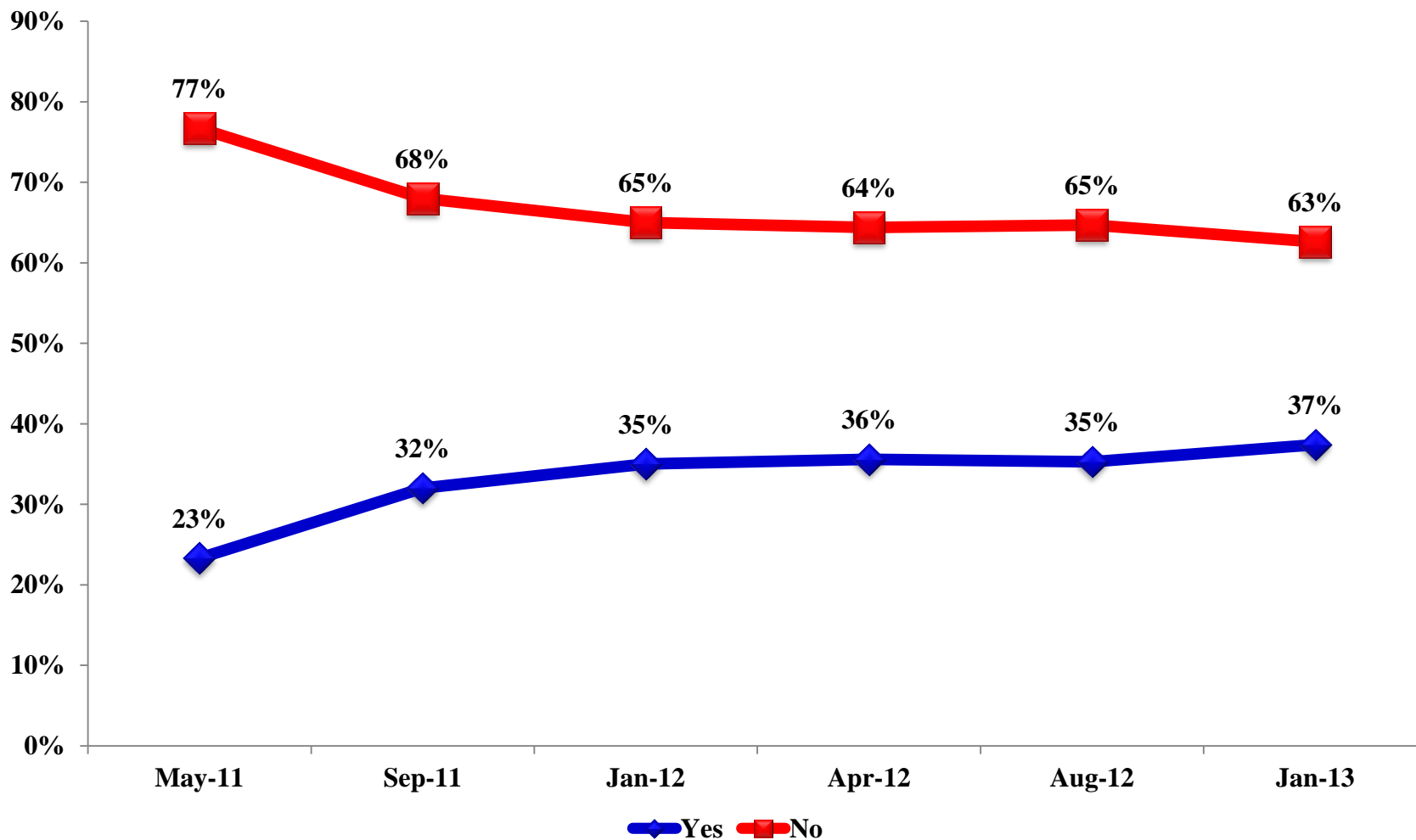
In your opinion, how important is the work of NGOs in Tunisia's development?



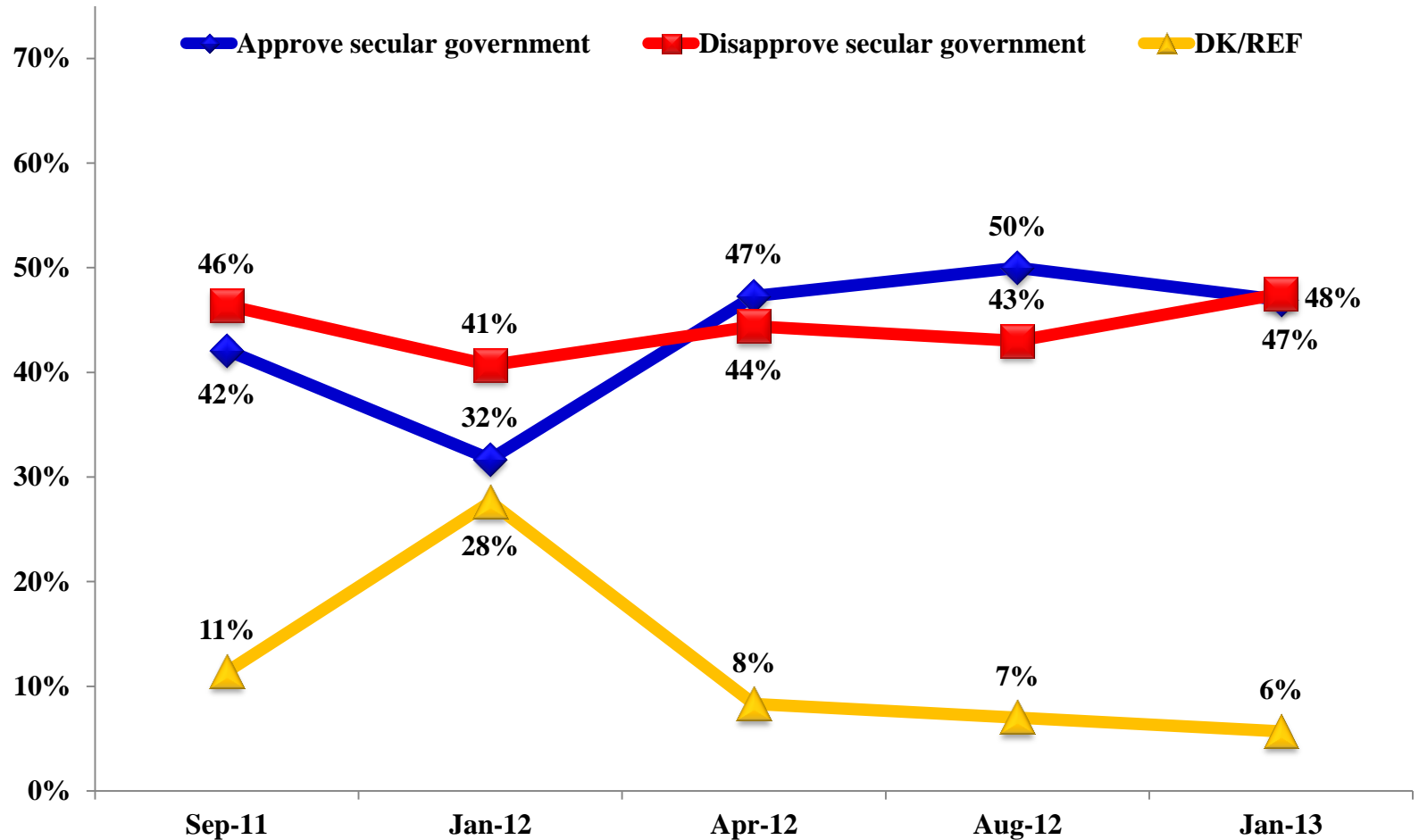
In your opinion, has security in Tunisia improved since the elections? What about the security of your neighborhood or community?



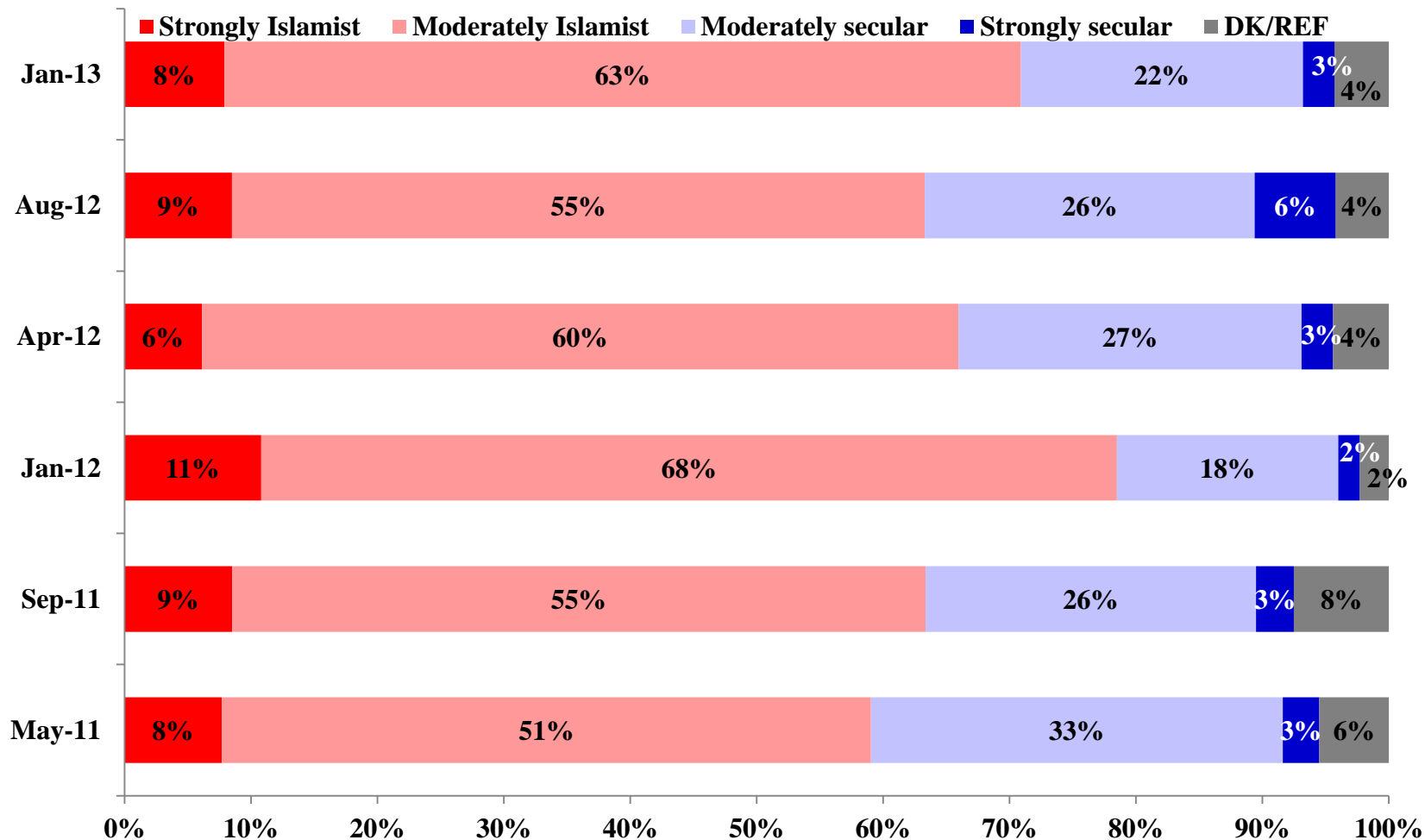
Do you know what the difference is between a secular and a non-secular government?



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 just that no specific religious idea is promoted when making laws. Considering this definition of secularism, in general would you approve or disapprove of the government of Tunisia being secular?



Would you prefer to see more political parties or entities that are Islamist or secular in the National Constituent Assembly?



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

| Source | First Mention | Second Mention | Third Mention | Total |
|------------------------------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|------------|
| Radio | 8% | 54% | 16% | 78% |
| Tunisian television | 62% | 0% | 5% | 67% |
| Internet | 19% | 8% | 5% | 32% |
| Gatherings at public places | 4% | 11% | 15% | 30% |
| Newspaper | 3% | 10% | 15% | 27% |
| SMS | 0% | 0% | 1% | 1% |
| Mosque | 0% | 0% | 1% | 1% |
| Other | 2% | 2% | 3% | 8% |
| DK/REF | 3% | 15% | 40% | 57% |

Do you have access to the Internet? If yes, where do you usually access it?

