



# Exit Poll

## Bangladesh Parliamentary Elections

### December 29, 2008

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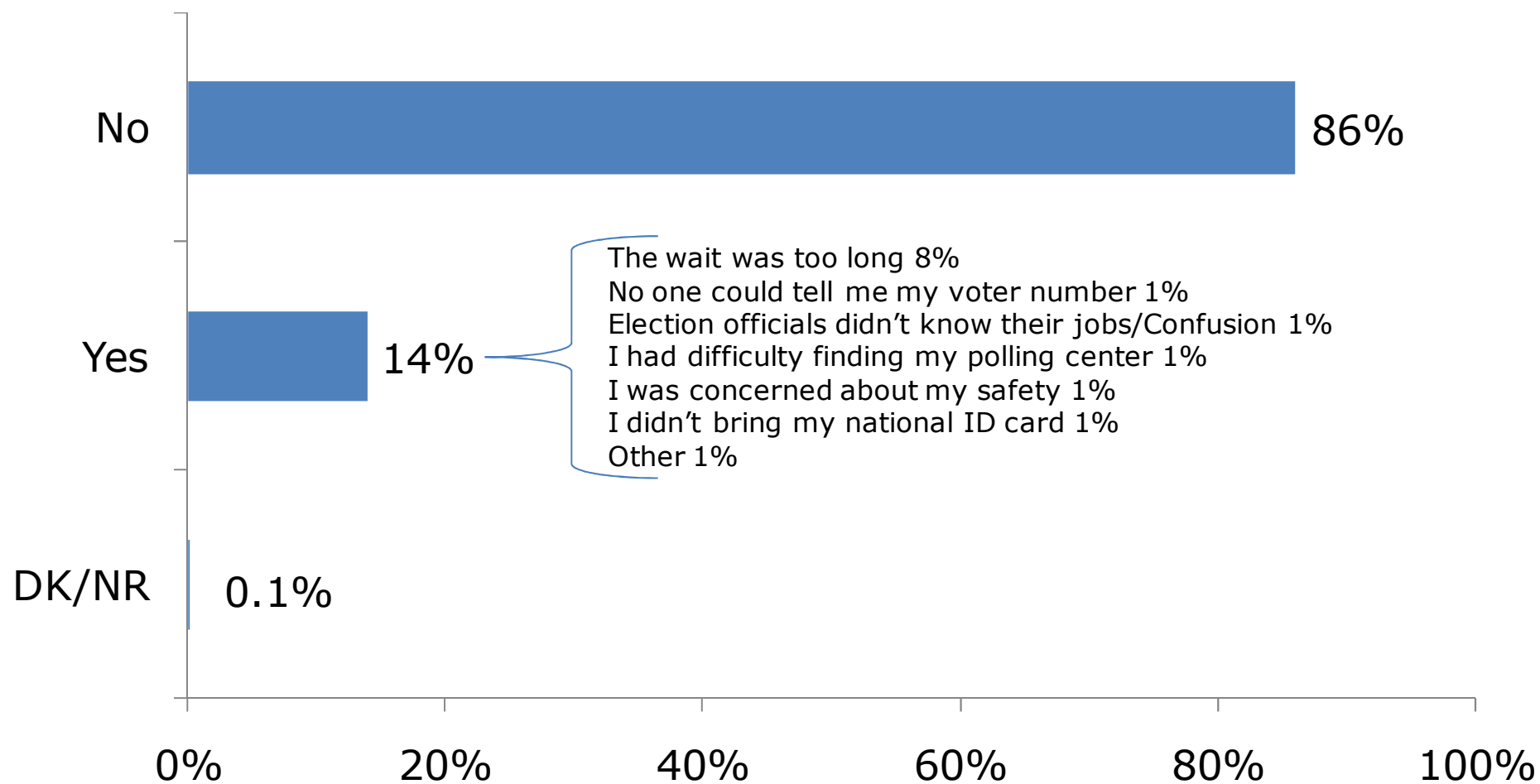


# Detailed Methodology

- The International Republican Institute (IRI) conducted an exit poll during the Bangladesh National Parliamentary elections held on December 29, 2008.
- Data was collected in the field by Nielsen Bangladesh under the supervision of David Williams of Williams and Associates.
- Interviewing teams comprised of both male and female interviewers were assigned to polling centers in 150 of Bangladesh's 300 constituencies. Centers were randomly selected using a random number selection process for all polling centers within the constituency.
- Respondents were selected from among adults (18+ years) exiting polling centers according to a pre-determined skip pattern. In-person interviews were conducted during official polling hours outside polling booths. Polls were officially open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Given the sensitivity of the information requested, interviews were conducted in privacy to the greatest degree possible. Whenever possible, interviews were conducted by a surveyor of the same gender as the voter.
- A total of 18,055 interviews were completed.
- 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.

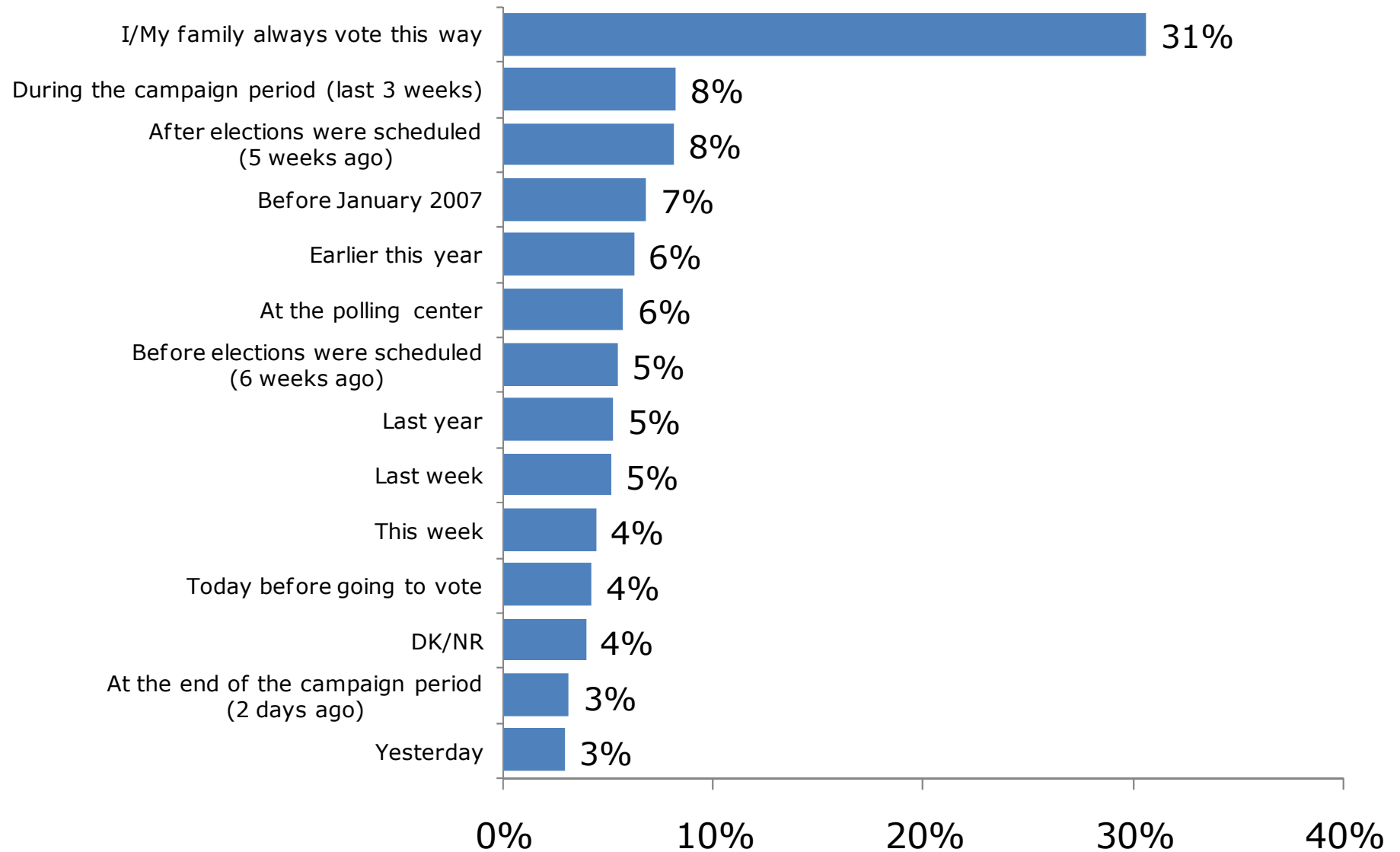


## Did you encounter any problems, difficulties or irregularities when you went to cast your vote?





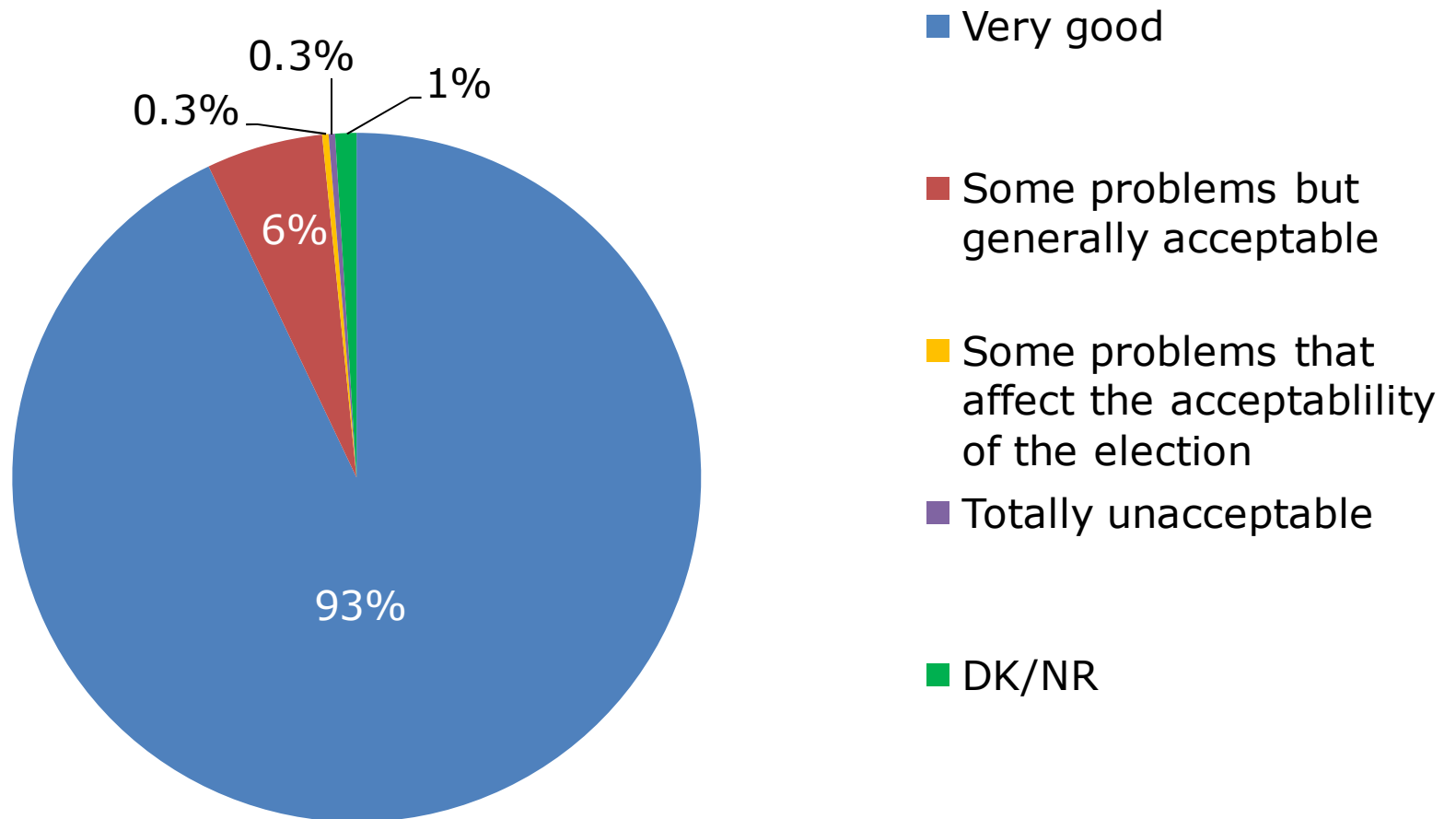
## How long ago did you decide for which candidate to vote?



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## Overall, how would you describe the election environment?



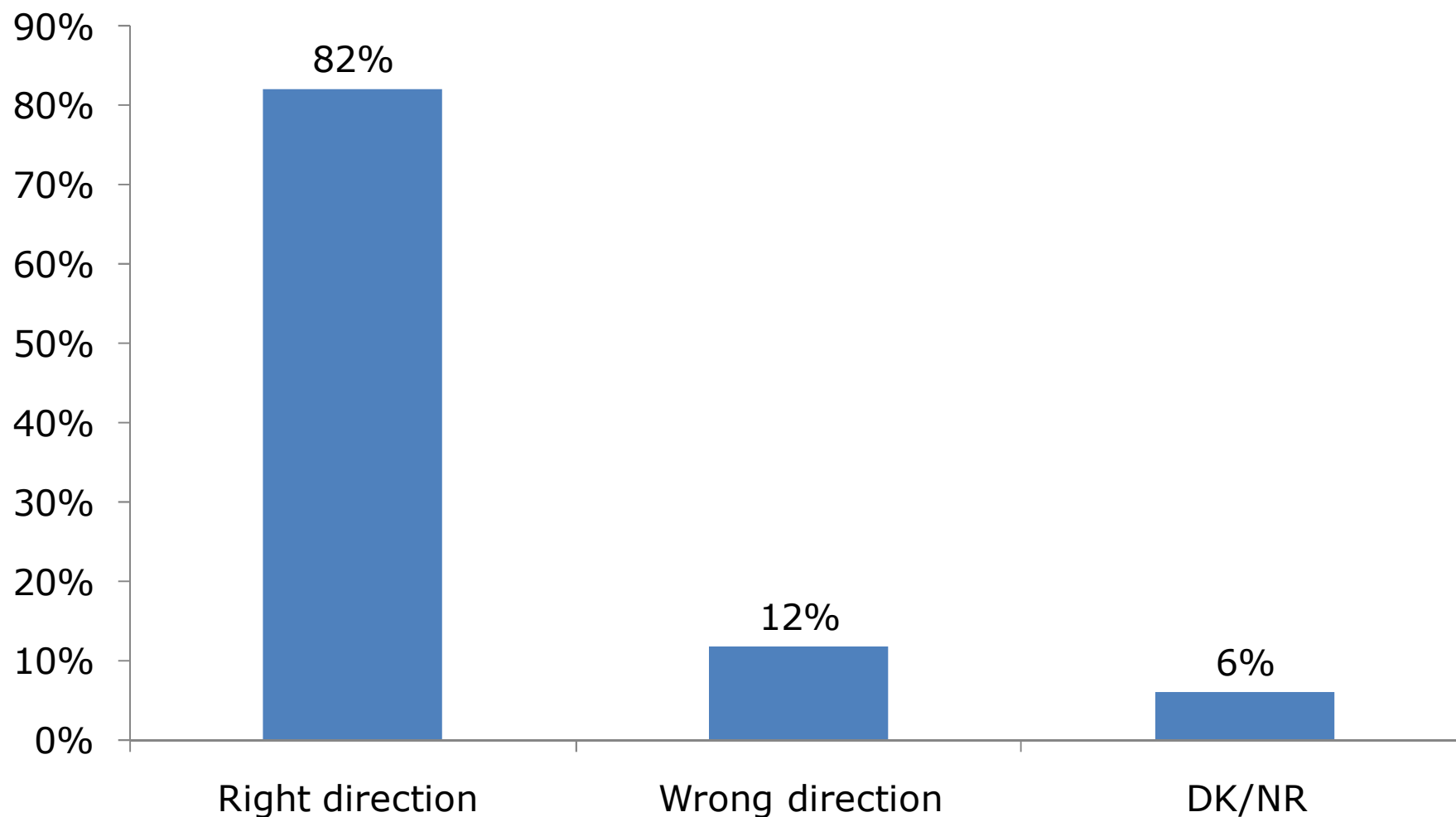


## Which issue needs the greatest attention from the government at the present time? (open end)

Price Inflation	27%
Corruption	22%
Crime, Terrorism, Security, Law and Order	17%
Food Security	8%
Education	8%
Job Creation	4%
Roads, Transportation	3%
Poverty Reduction	3%
Power, Electricity	2%
Drugs	1%
Minority and Women's Rights, Human rights	1%
Elections, Electoral Reform, Political Party Reform	1%
Population Growth	1%
Other	5%

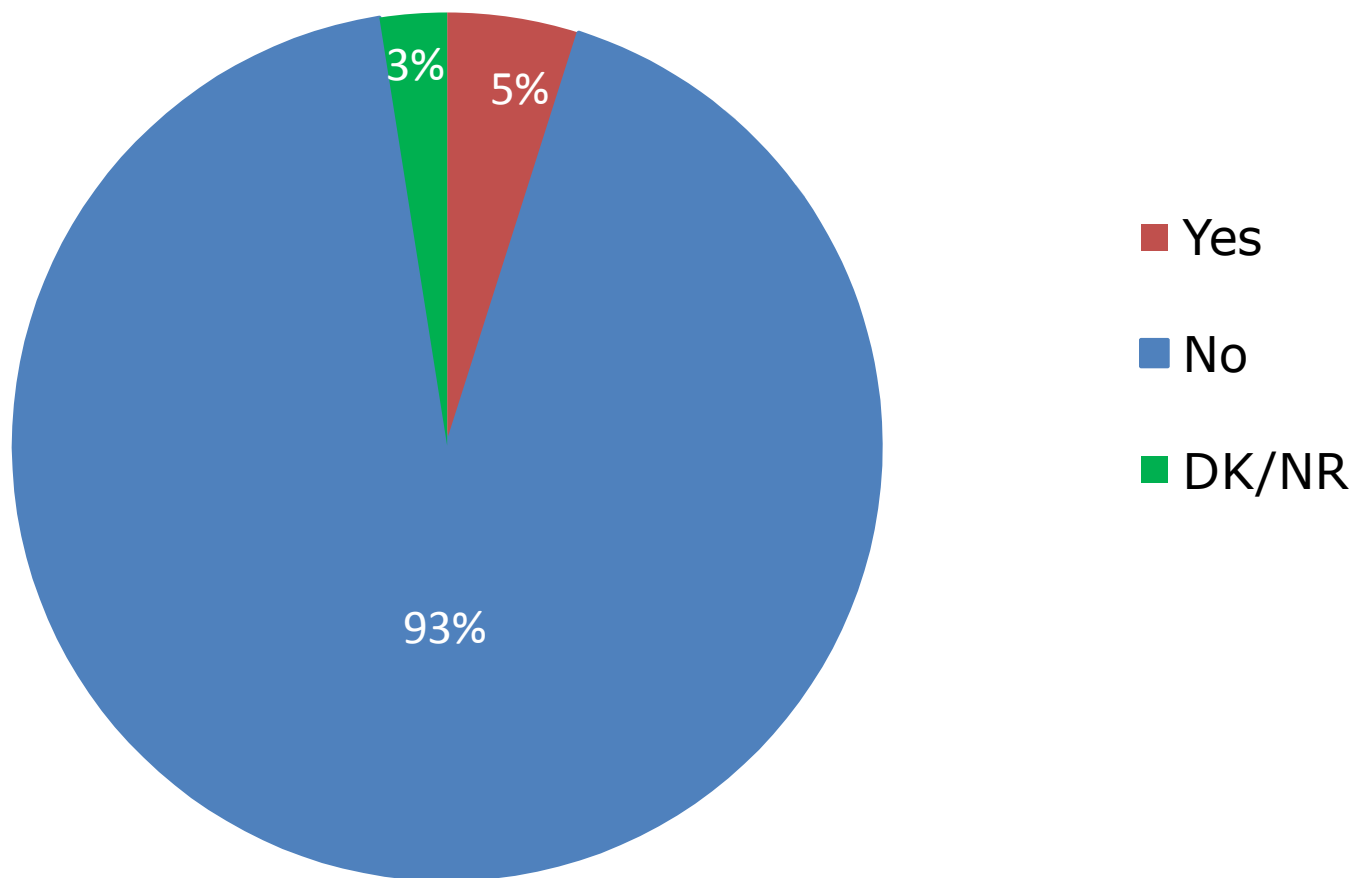


Overall, do you think that things in Bangladesh are headed in the right direction or do you think that they are headed in the wrong direction?





Have any of the candidates, their surrogates or a political party offered you a gift, favor, food or money to try to convince you to vote for them?

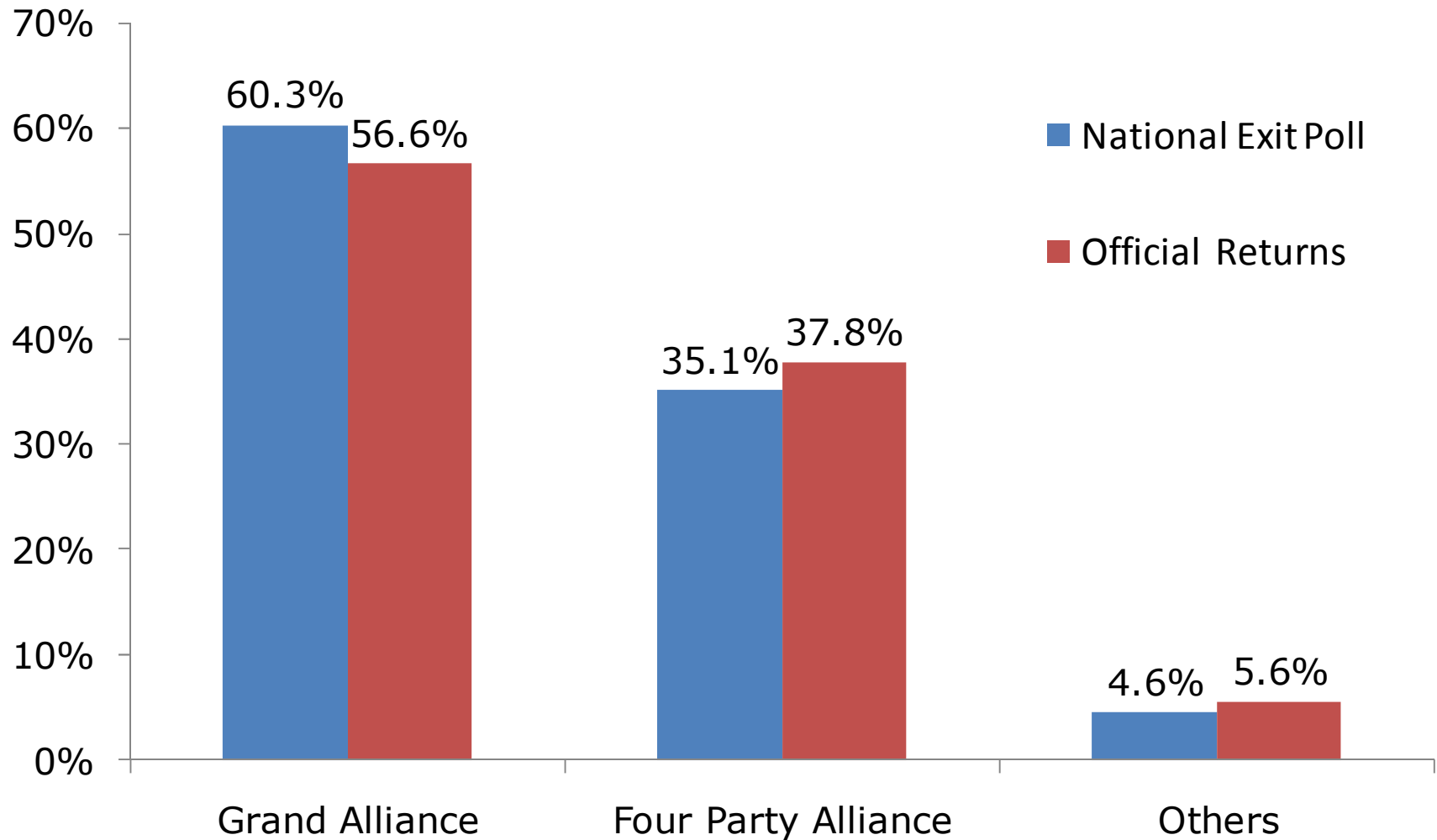


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## In the race for parliament how did you vote?



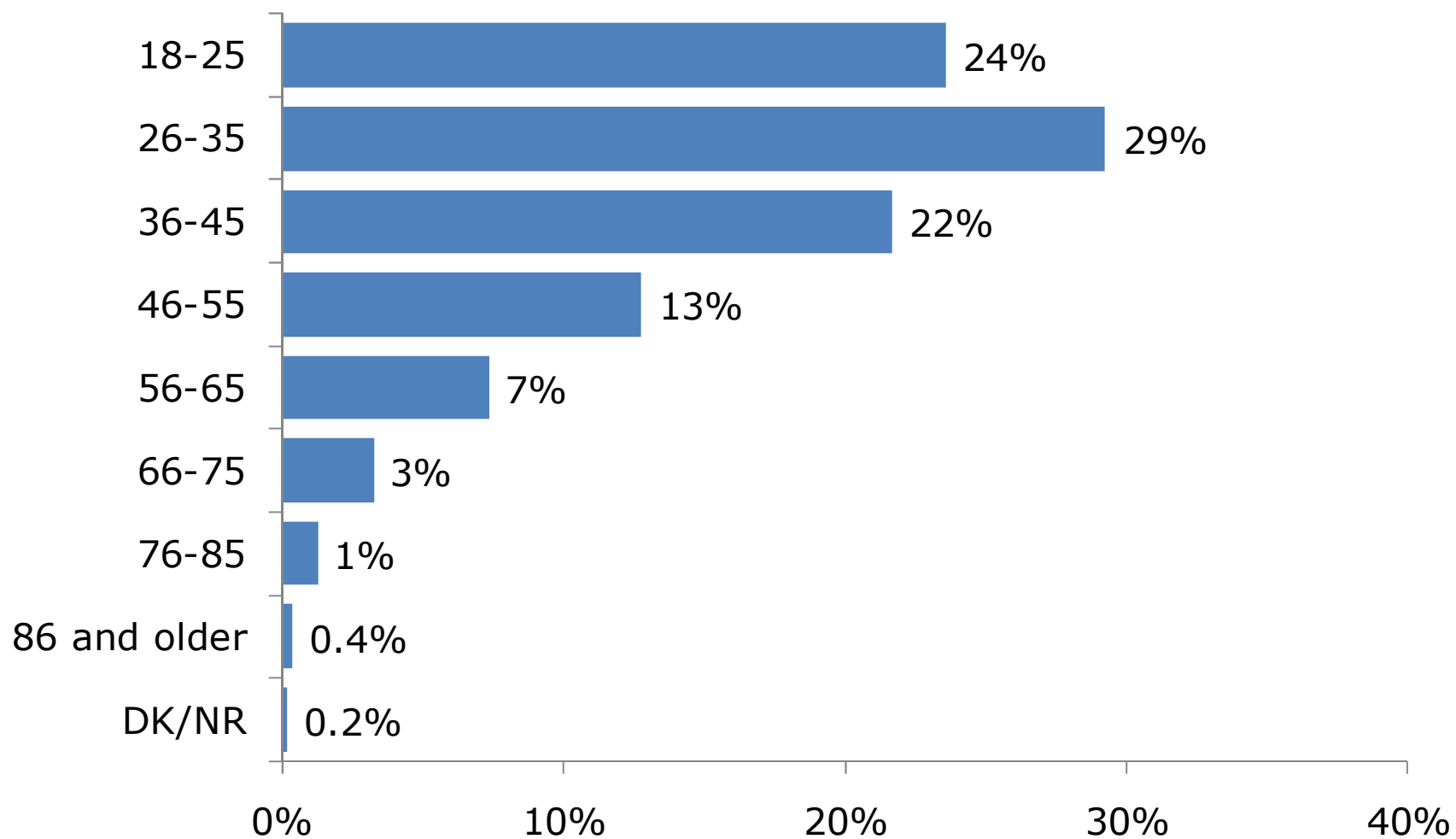


# Poll Demographics

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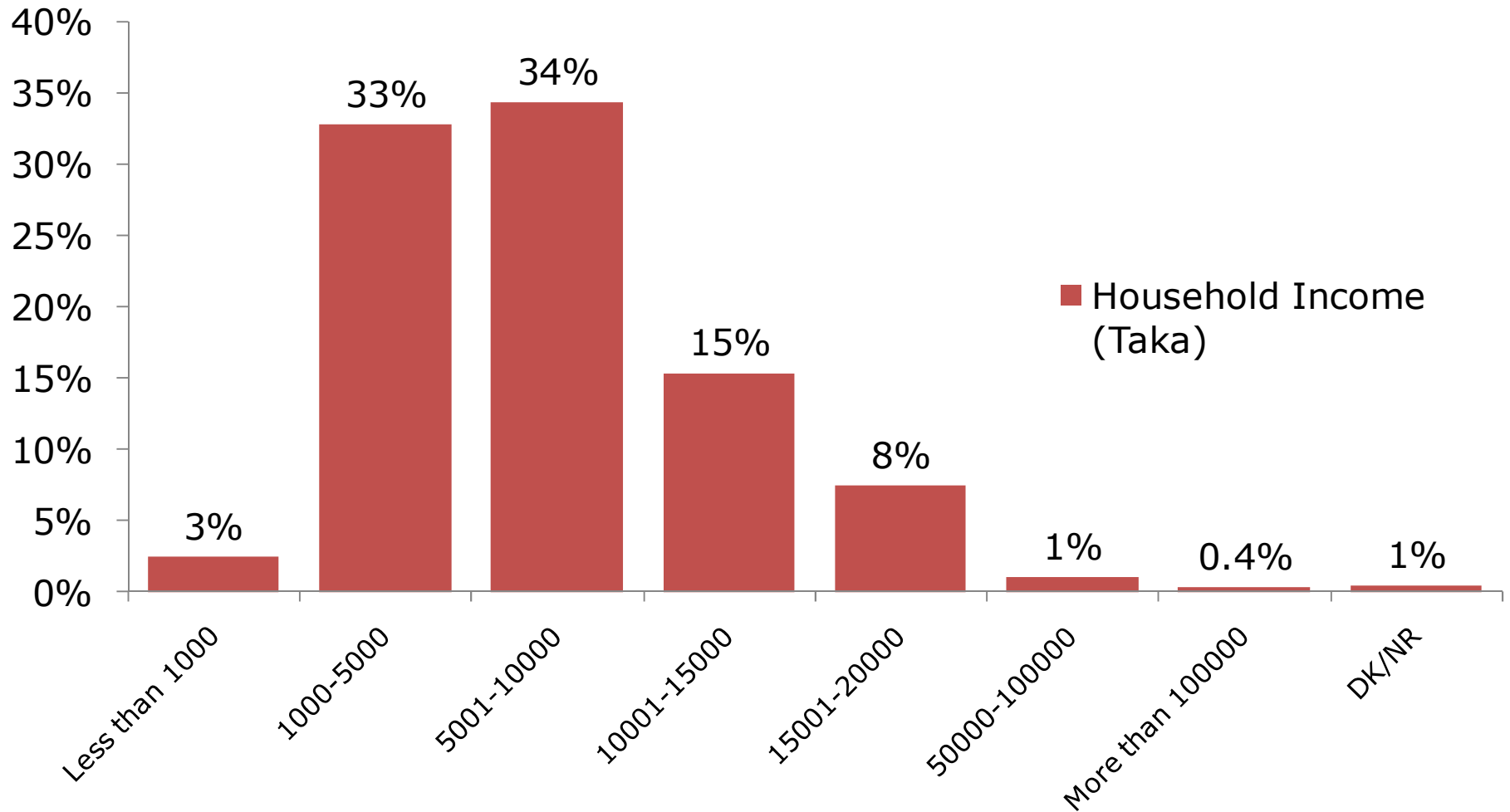
# Sample Structure—Age



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# Sample Structure—Income





# Sample Structure—Gender

