



Kyrgyzstan National Opinion Poll

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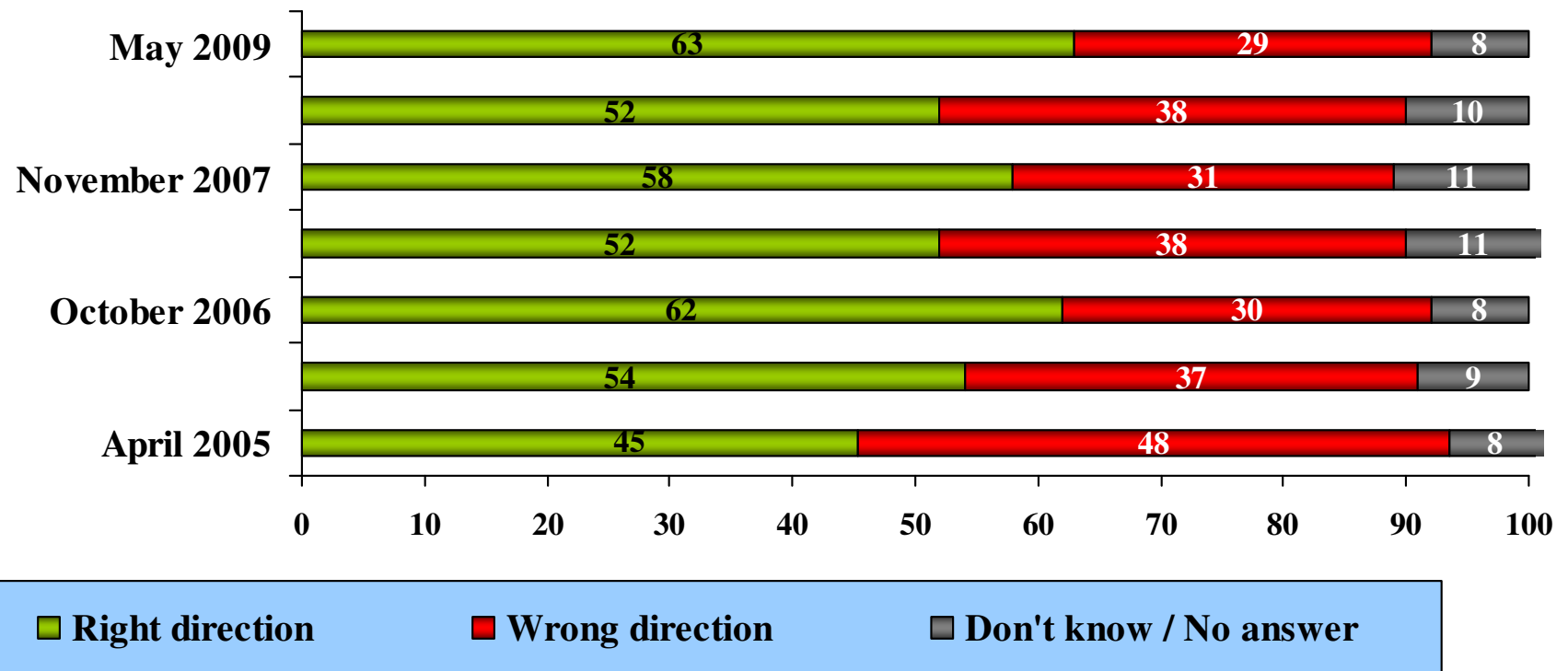
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INFORMATION ABOUT THE SURVEY

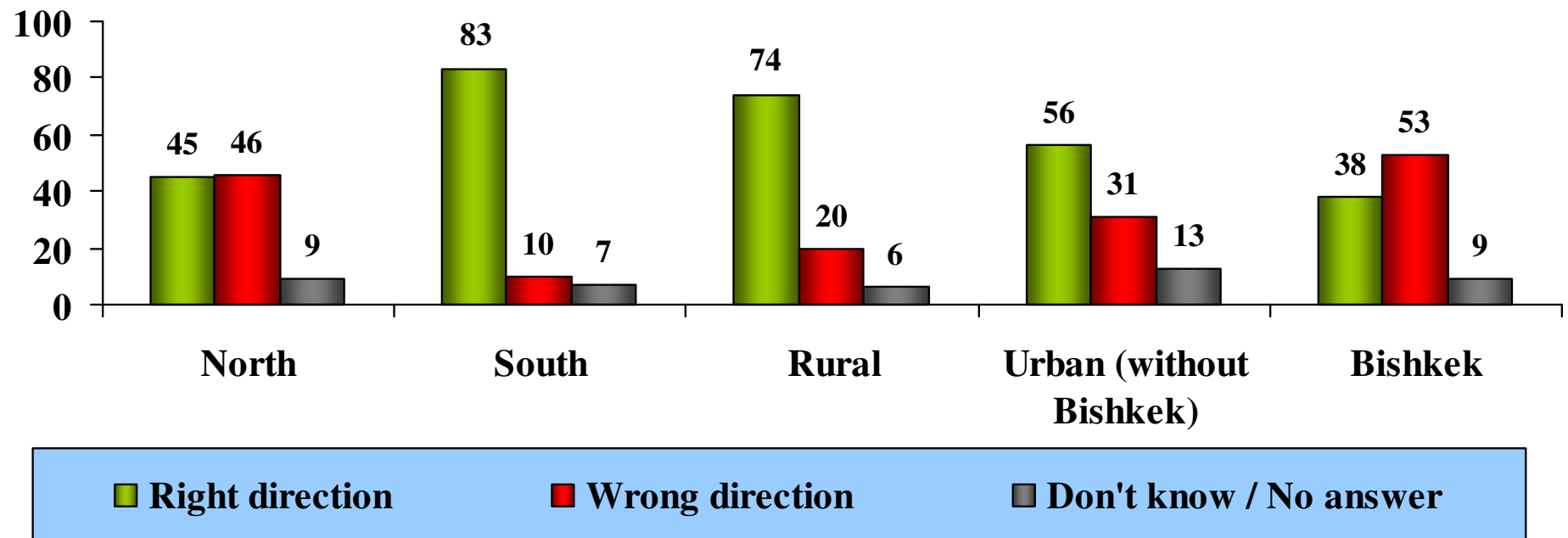
- This national representative survey was carried out on April 22 – May 9, 2009 by SIAR-Bishkek for Baltic Surveys/Gallup on behalf of the International Republican Institute (IRI).
- The sample consisted of 1,500 Kyrgyz residents older than the age of 18 and eligible to vote and is representative of the general population by age, gender, education and religion.
- The sample design was a multi-stage random sample.
 - Stage One: Break country into official administrative regions.
 - Stage Two: Select clusters of sampling points based on settlement population (rural and urban areas). One sample point = approximately one percent of survey population (12-17 surveys). Sampling points within each region were selected by the Probability Proportional to Size Sampling.
- Respondents were selected by the random route method, using a Kish table to select a respondent from within a household.
- Data is collected through face-to-face interviews with the respondents.
- Fifty-nine interviewers worked on the survey. Interviews were conducted in Kyrgyz, Russian and Uzbek languages.
- The response rate for the survey was 64 percent.
- The margin of error does not exceed three percent.
- The study was designed, coordinated, and analyzed by IRI and Baltic Surveys / The Gallup Organization (Dr. R. Alisauskiene).
- Due to rounding, some charts may not add to 100 percent.

MOOD OF THE COUNTRY

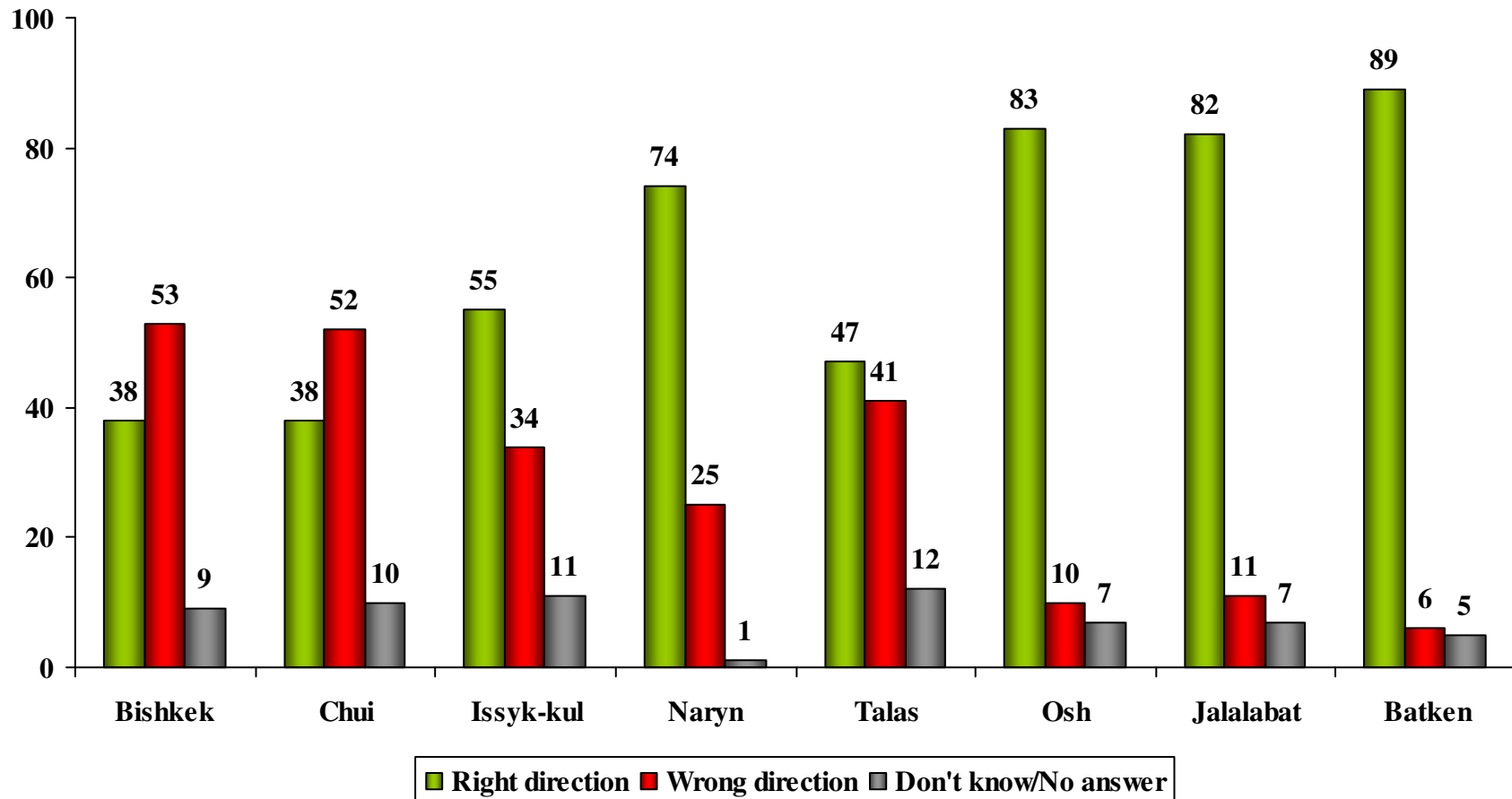
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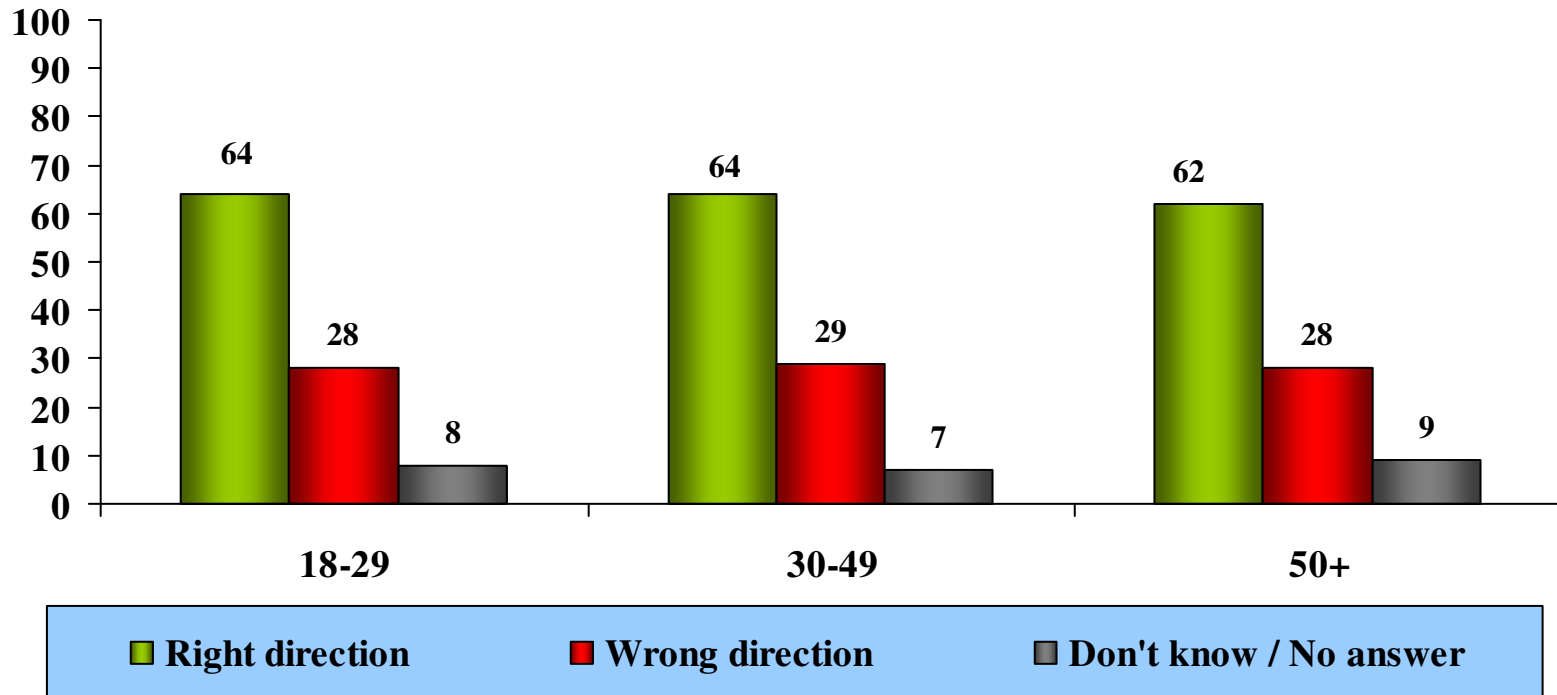
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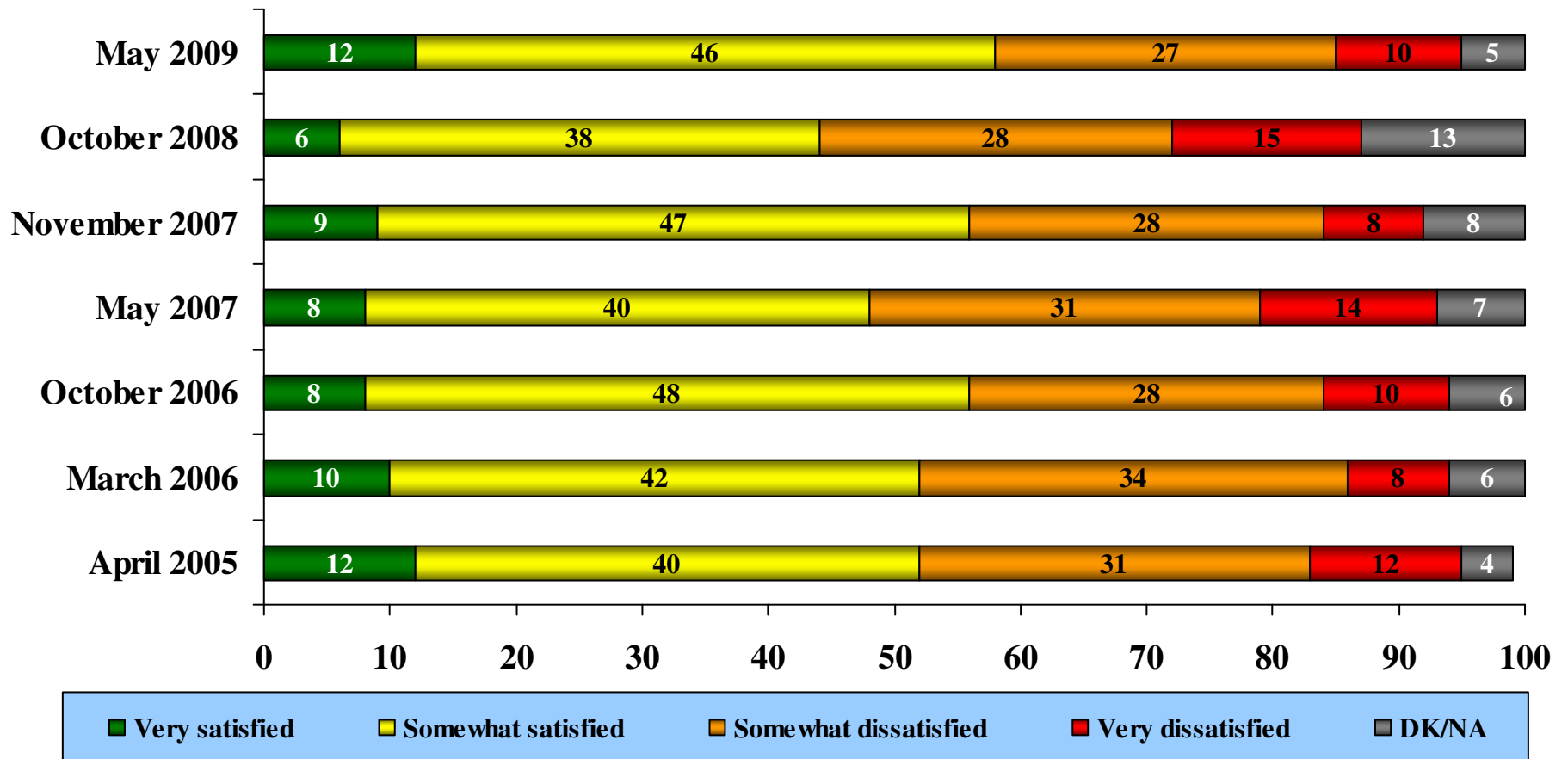
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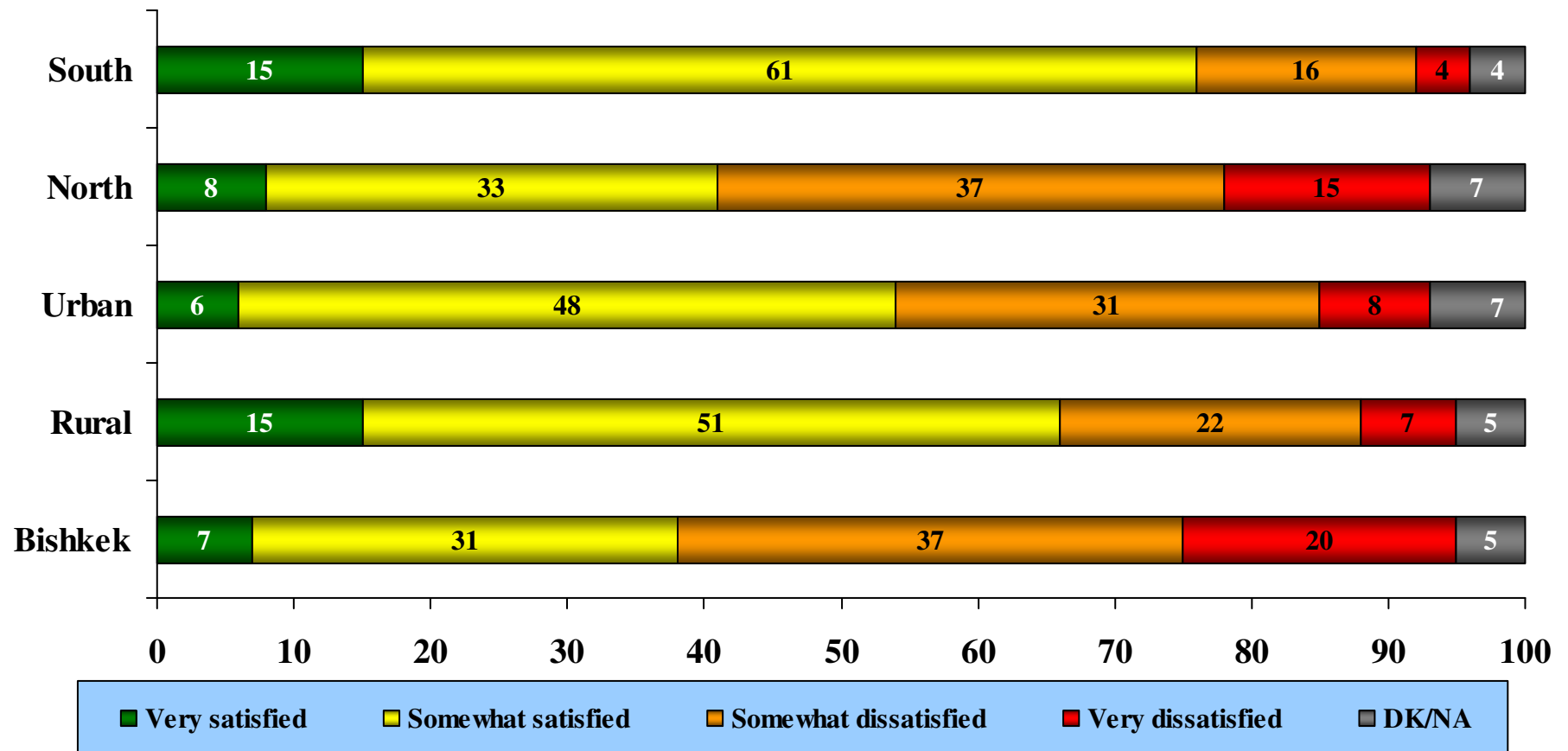
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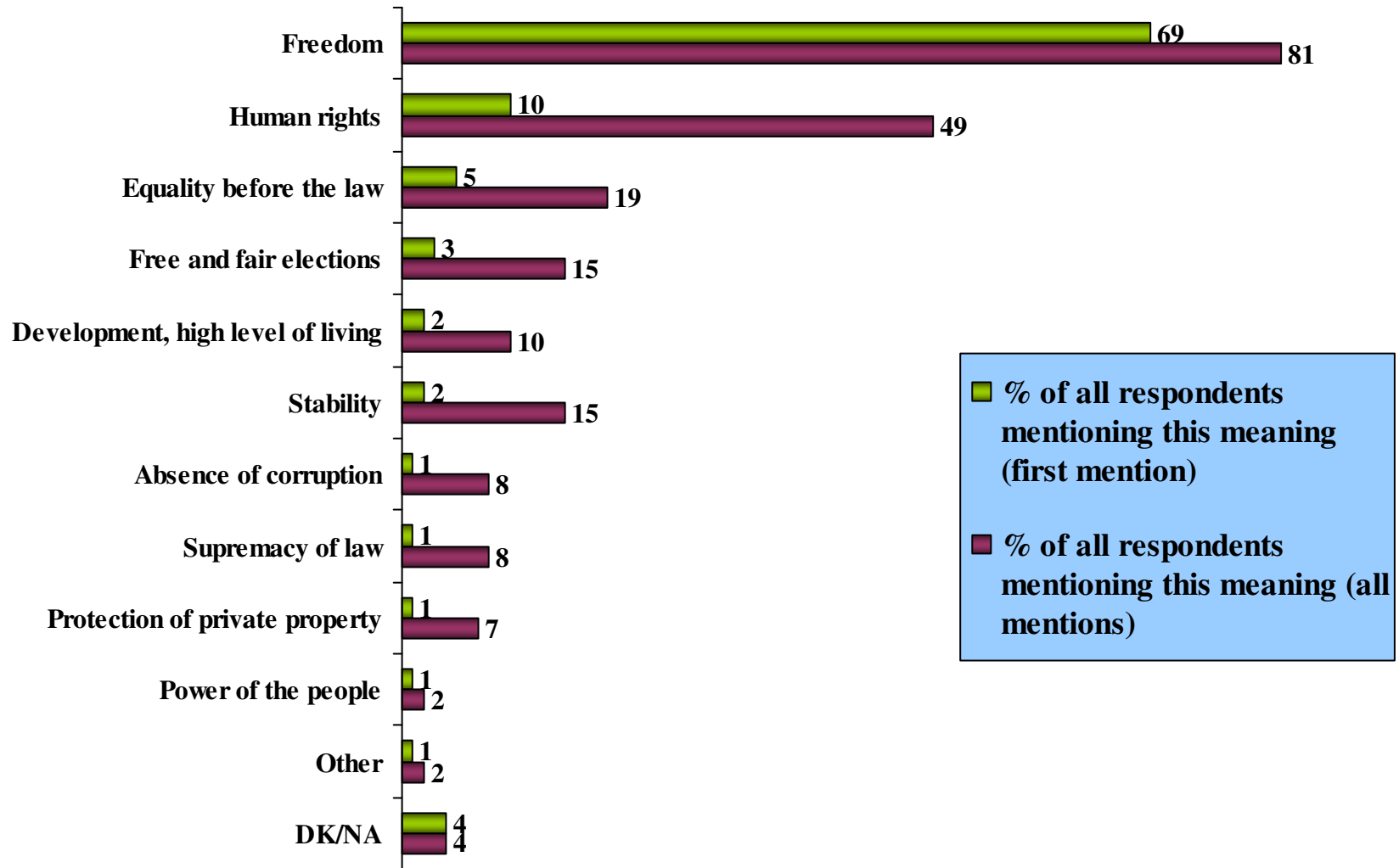


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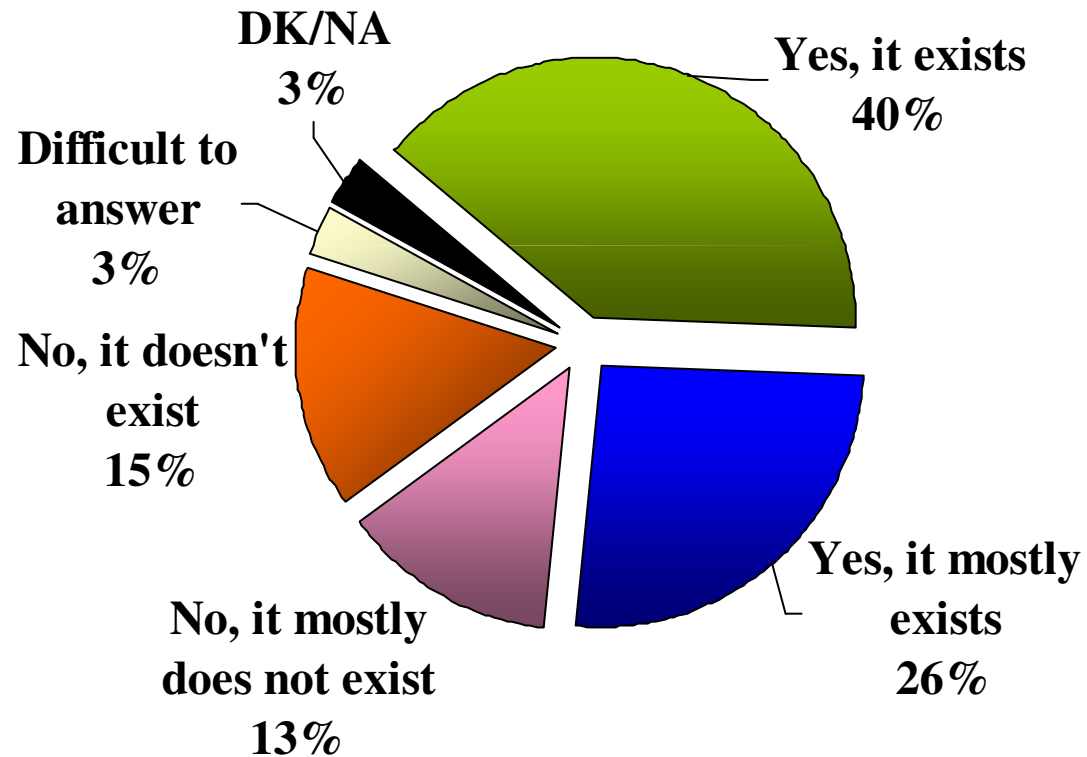


What is democracy for you?

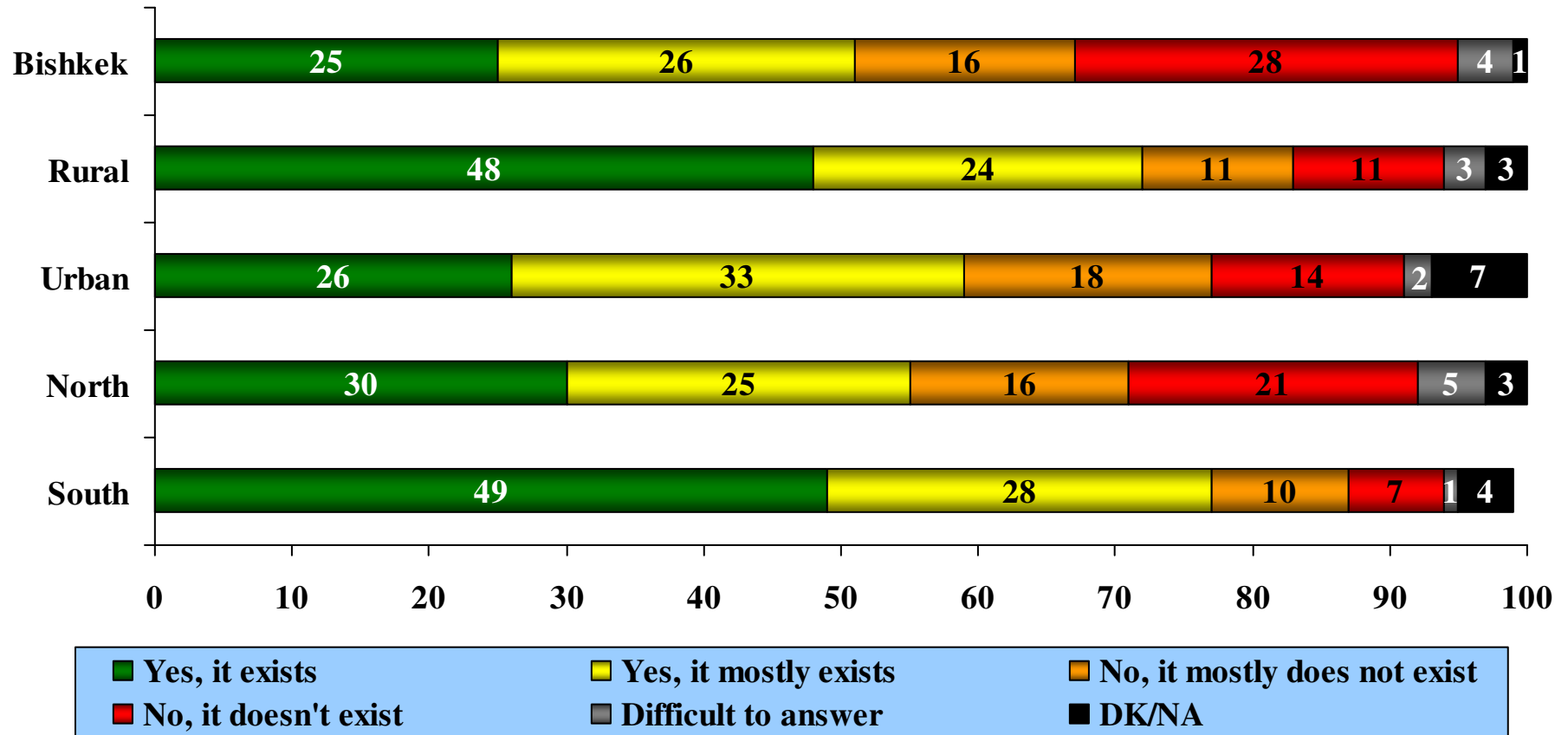
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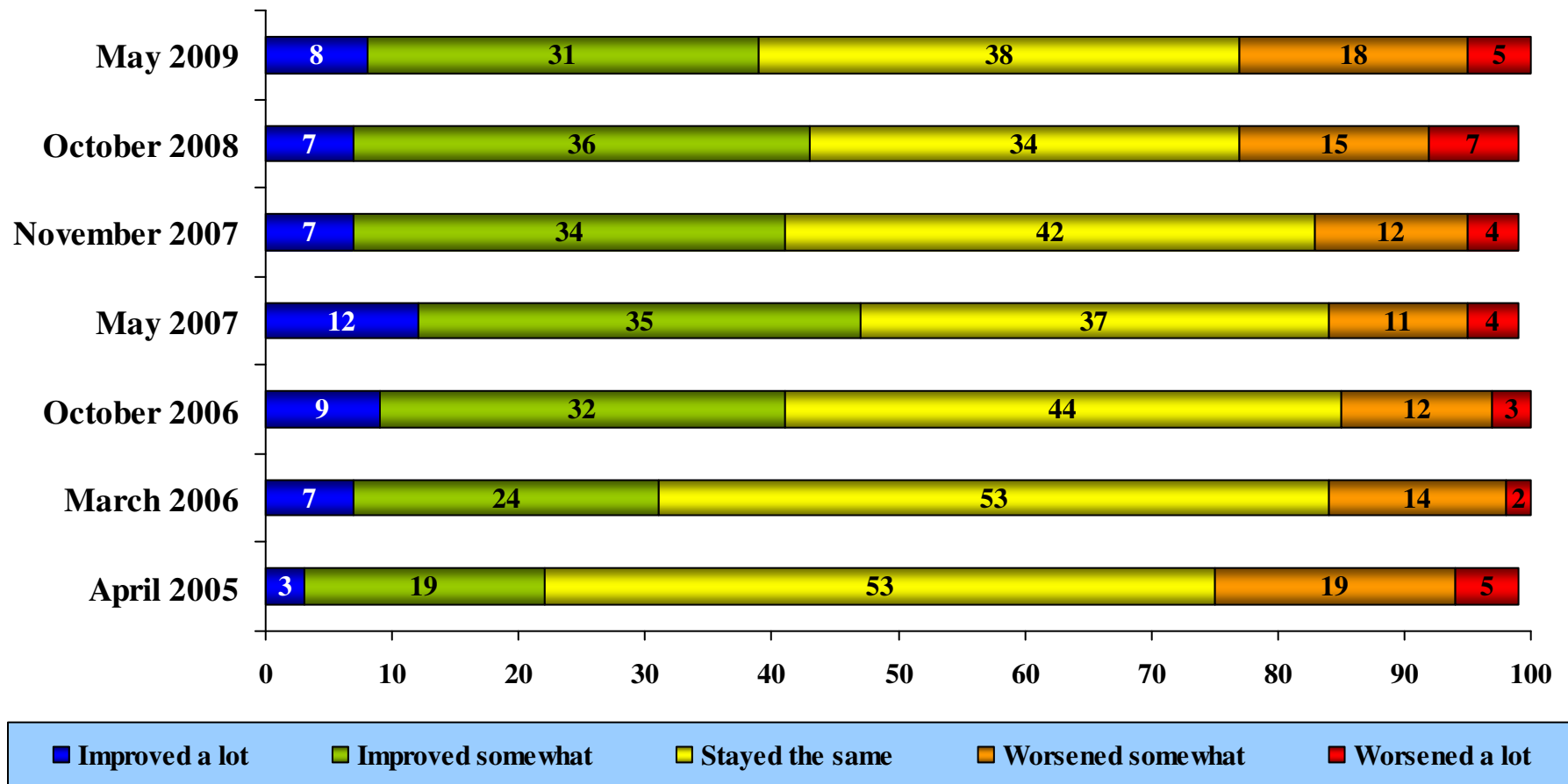
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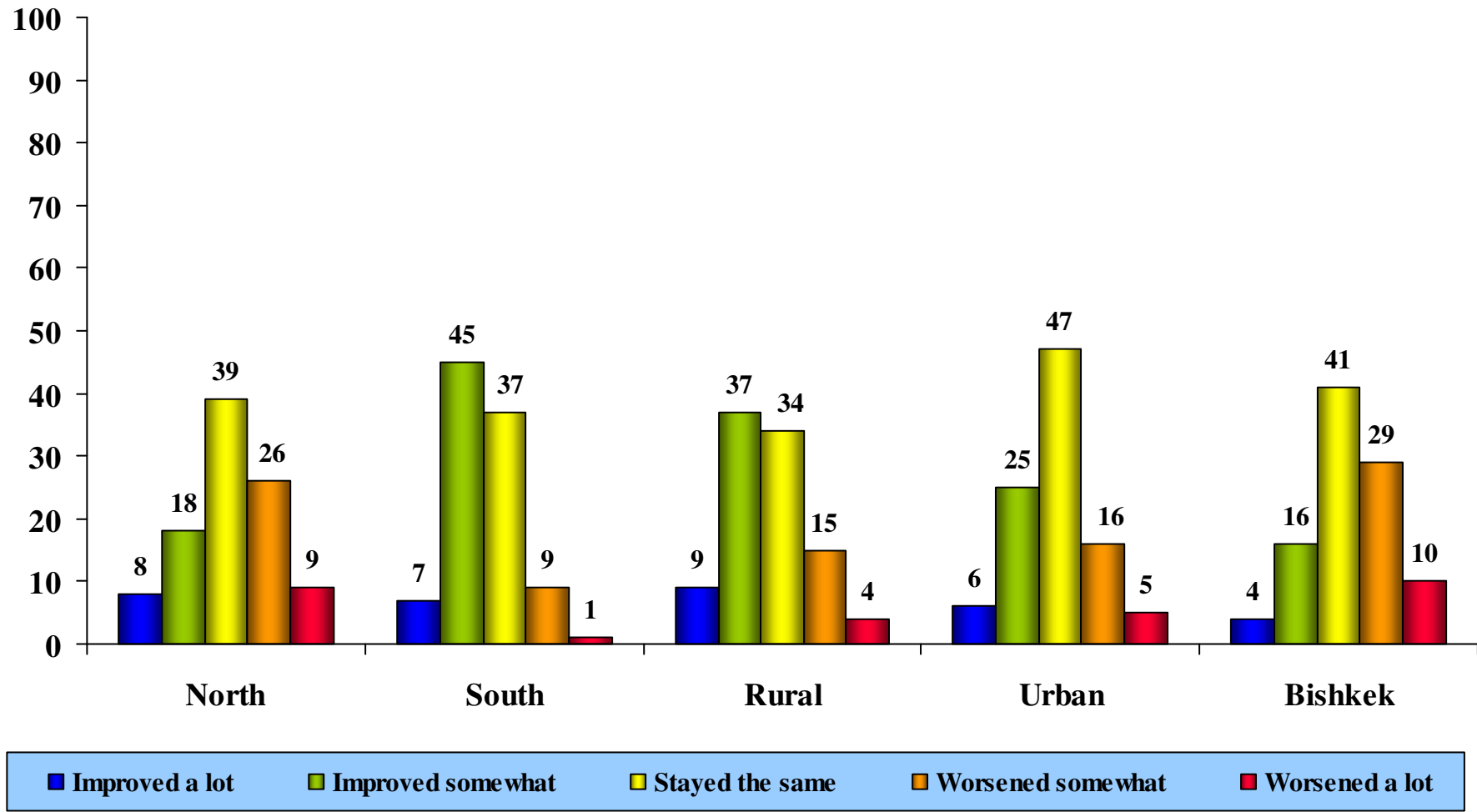
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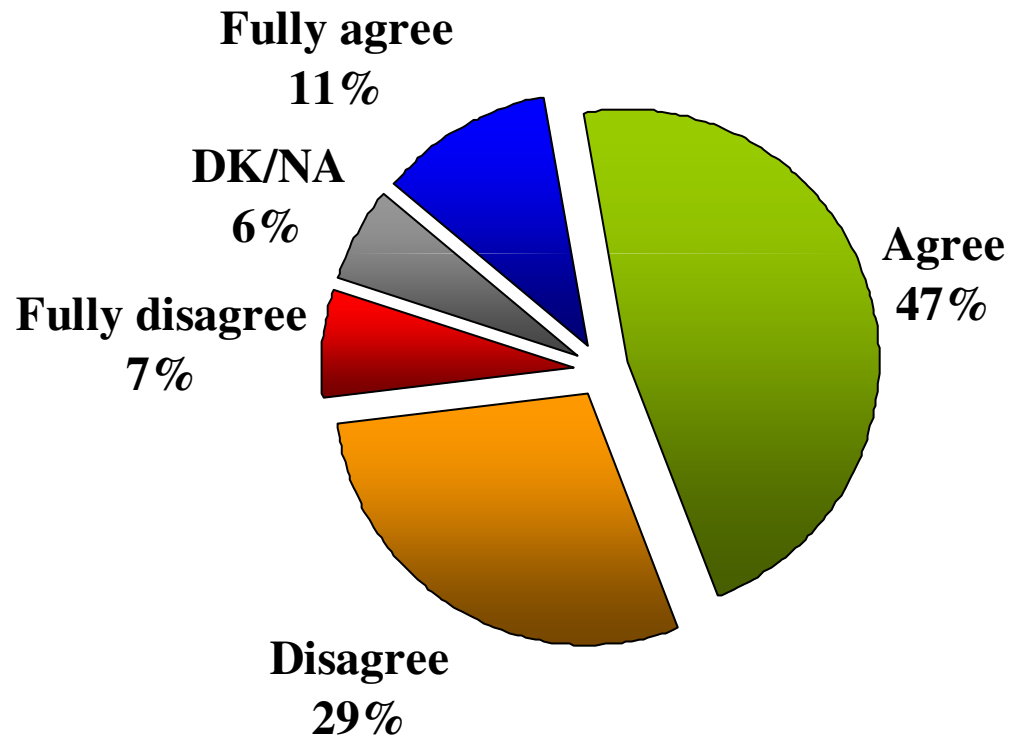
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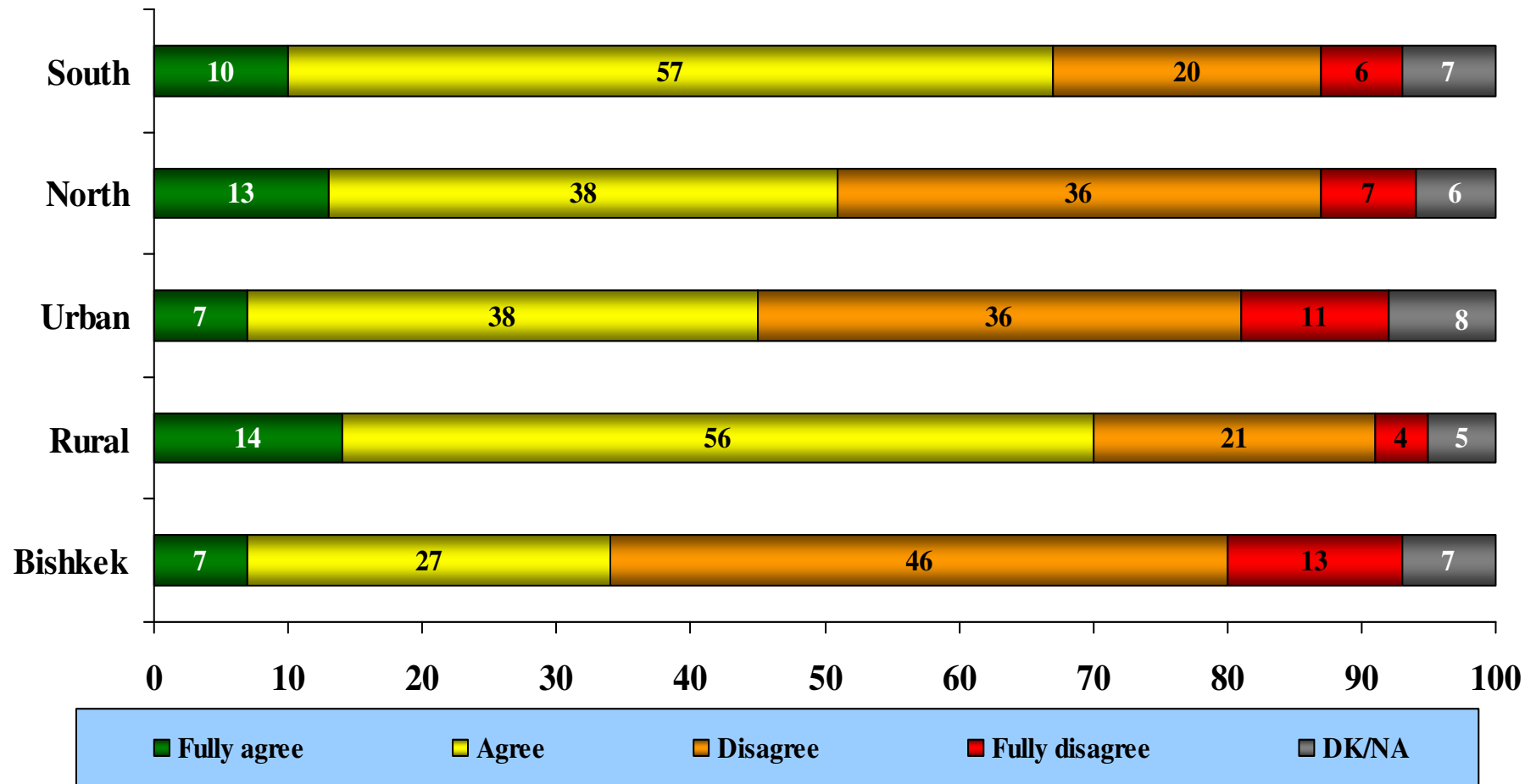
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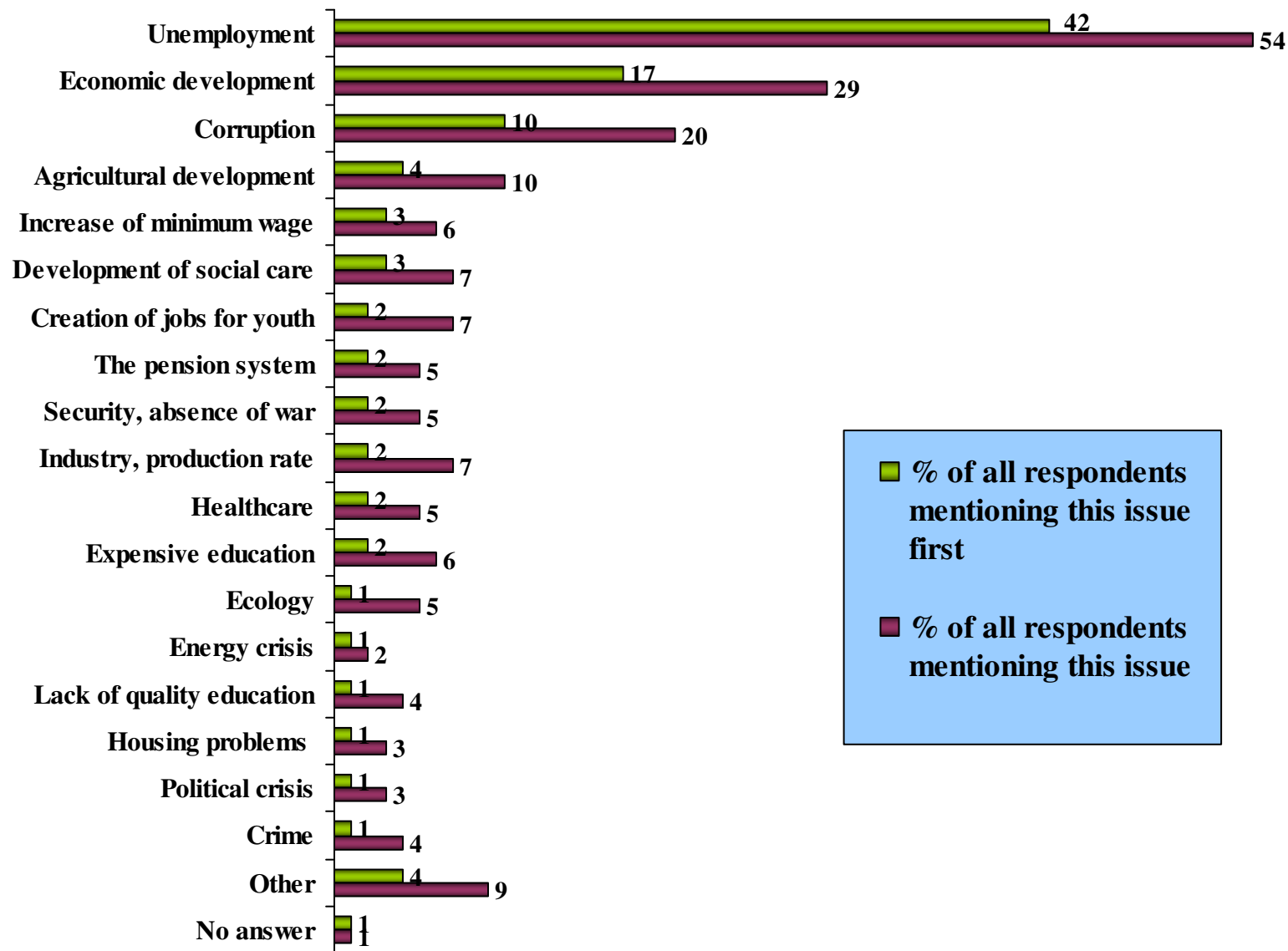


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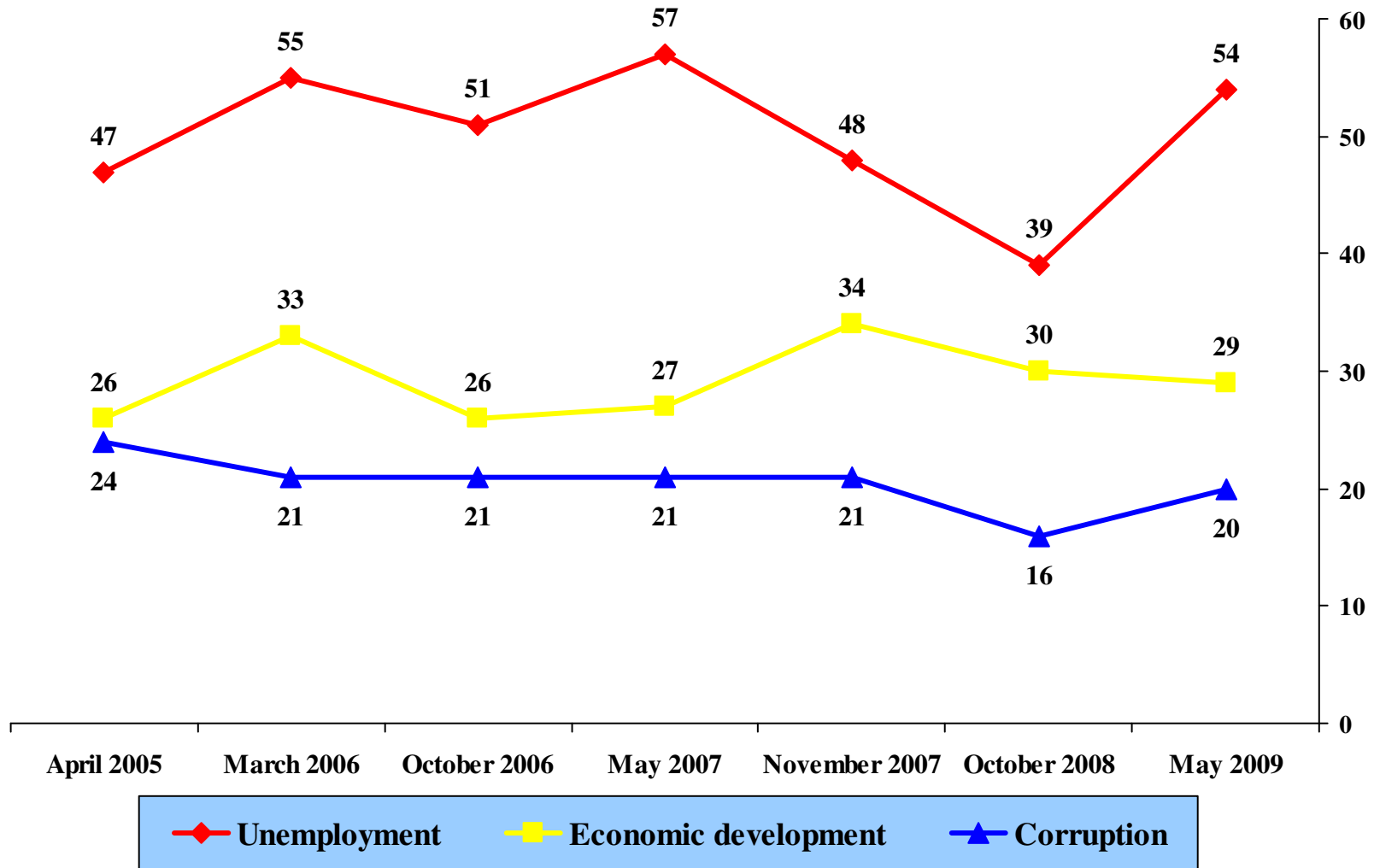


ISSUES

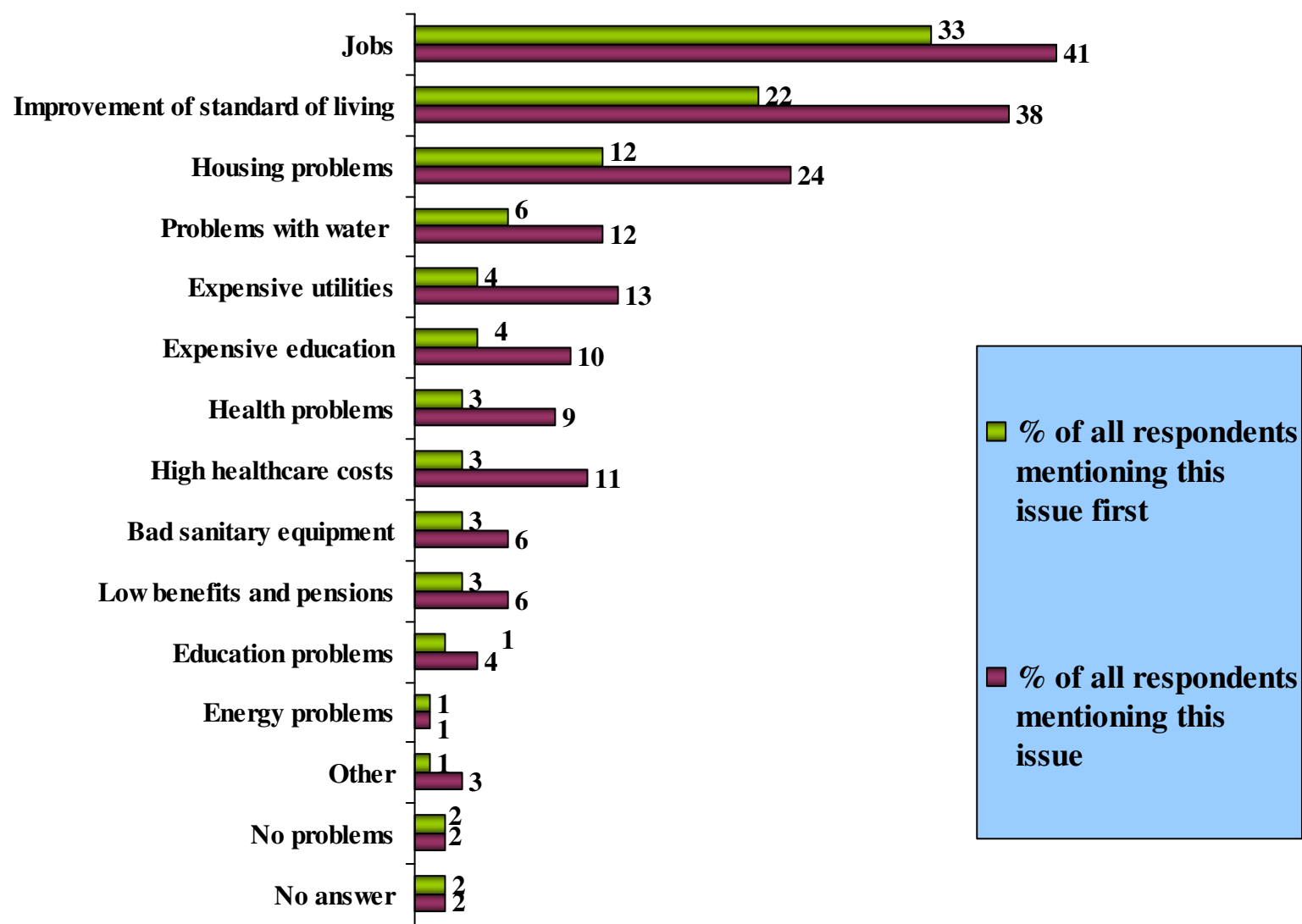
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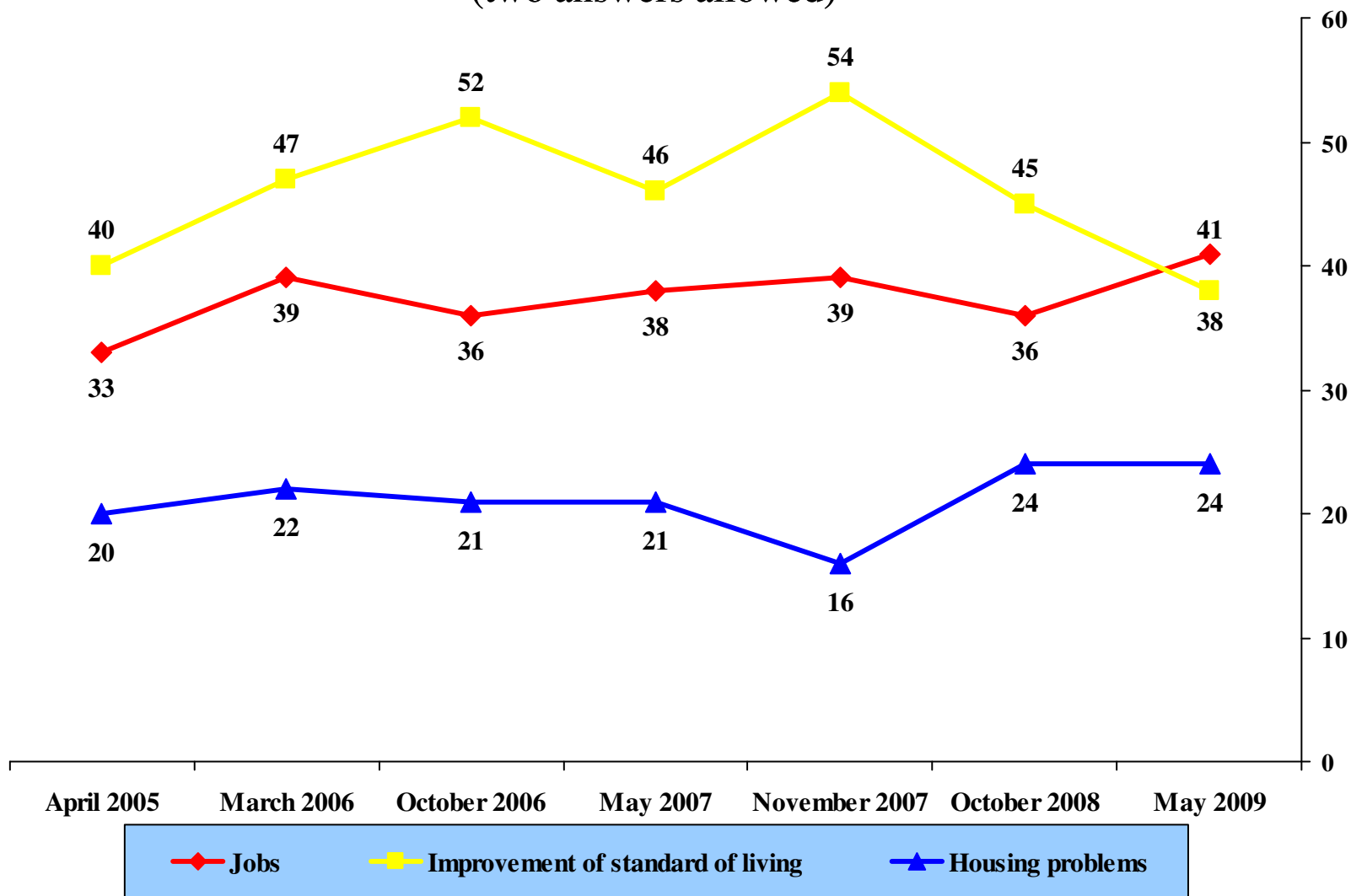


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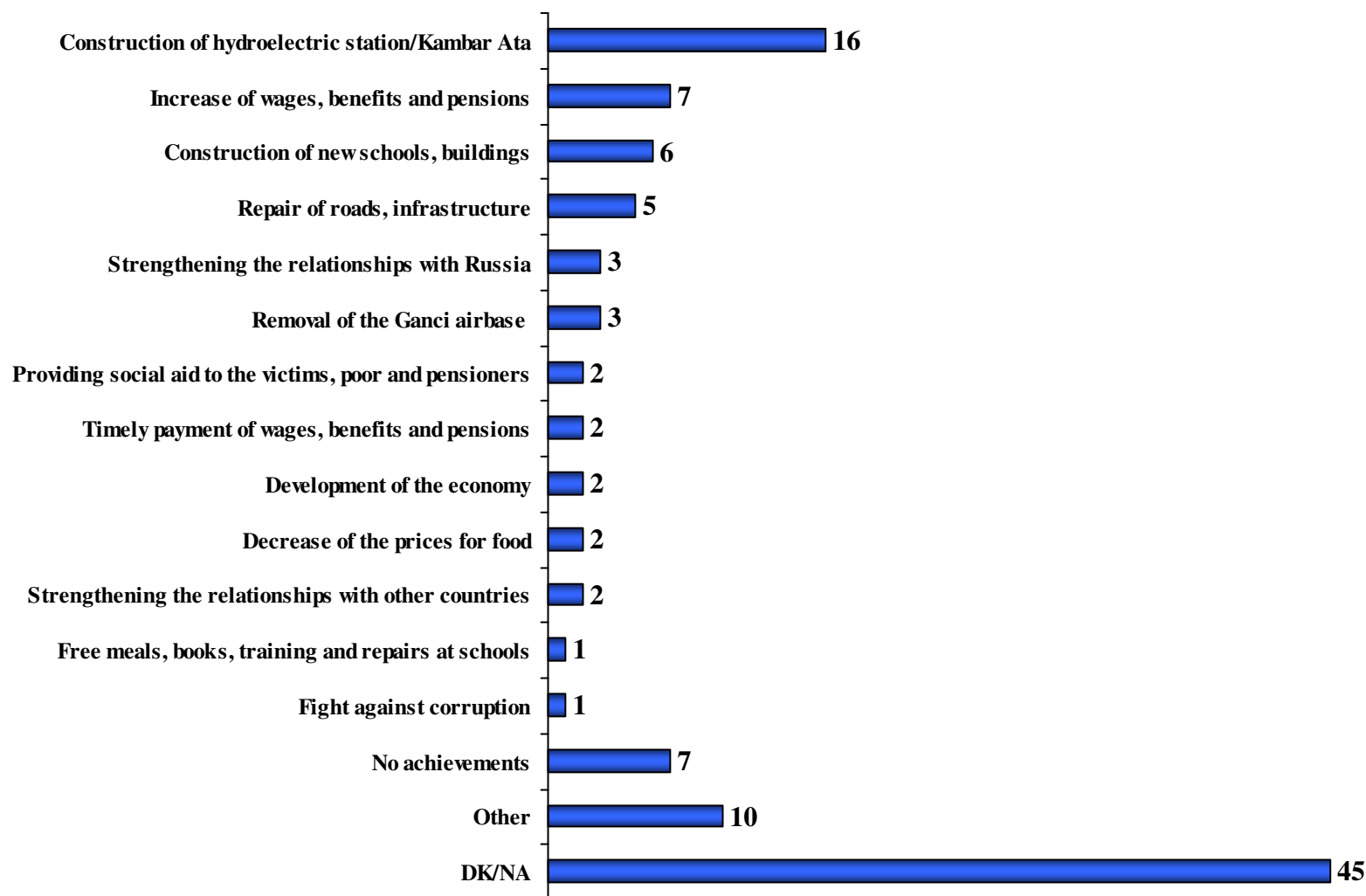
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POLITICS

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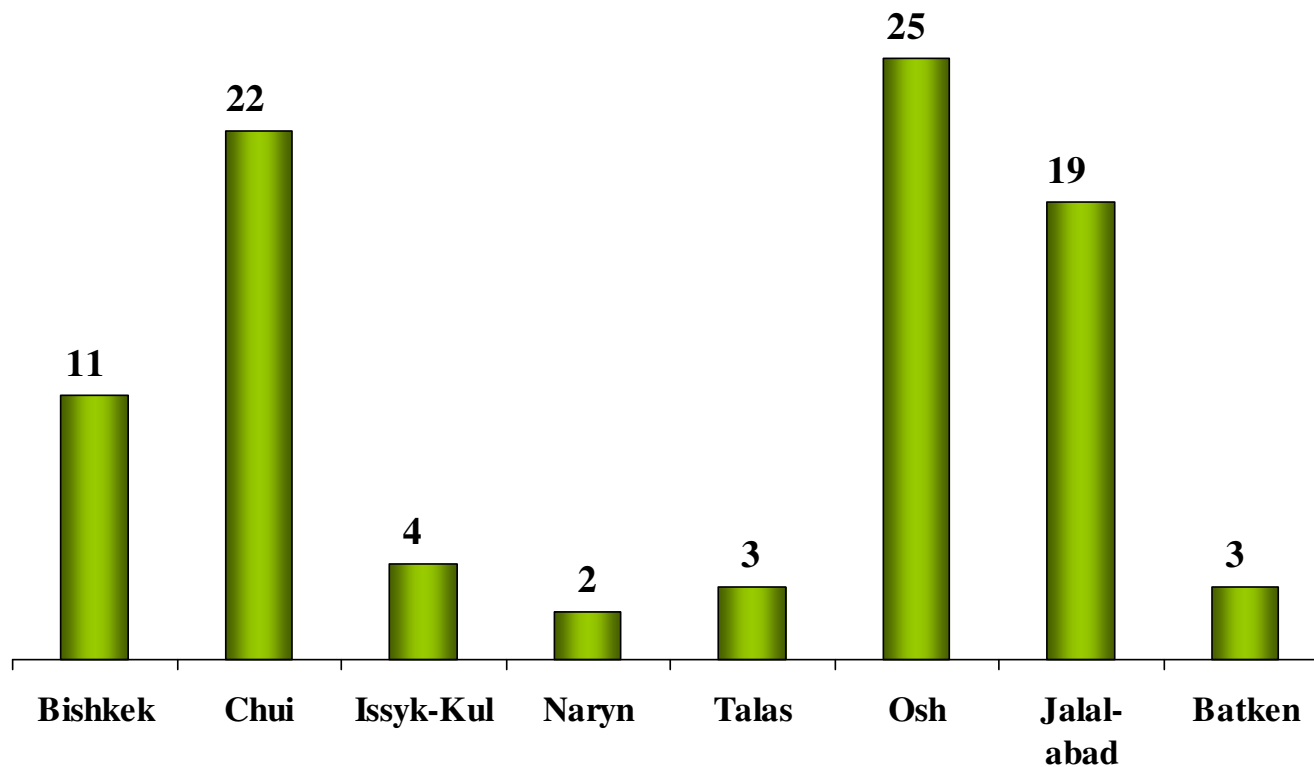
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Construction of hydroelectric station/Kambar Ata

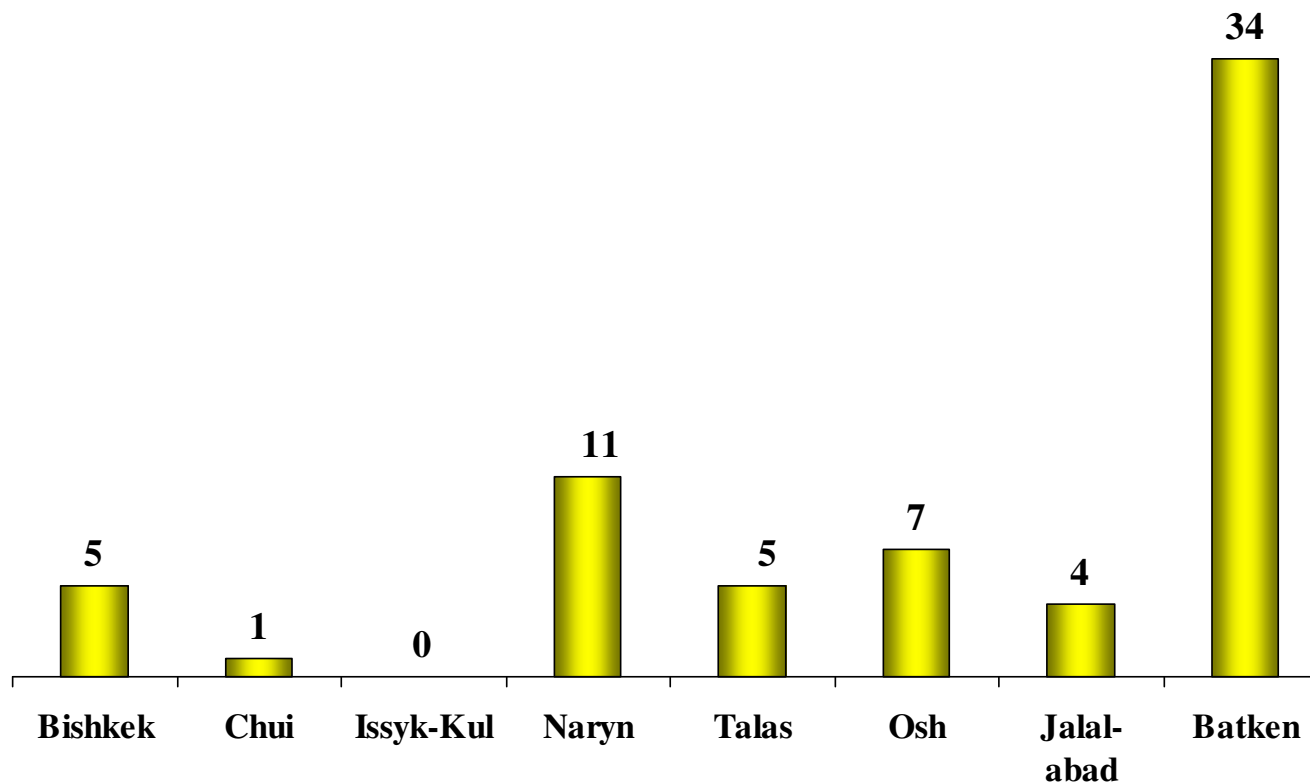
(Percentage of respondents mentioning this issue; two answers allowed; N=252)



What have been the most important achievements of the government over the last 12 months?

Increase of wages, benefits and pensions

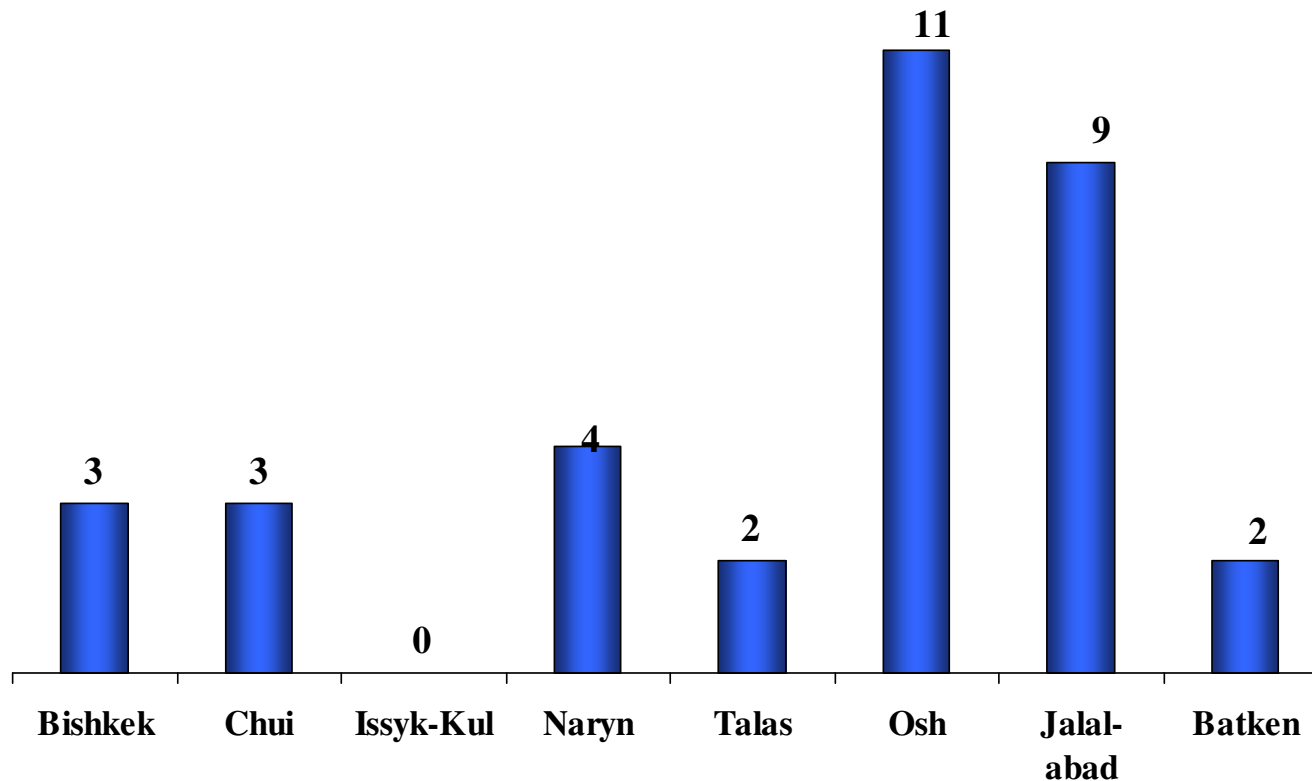
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What have been the most important achievements of the government over the last 12 months?

Construction of new schools, buildings

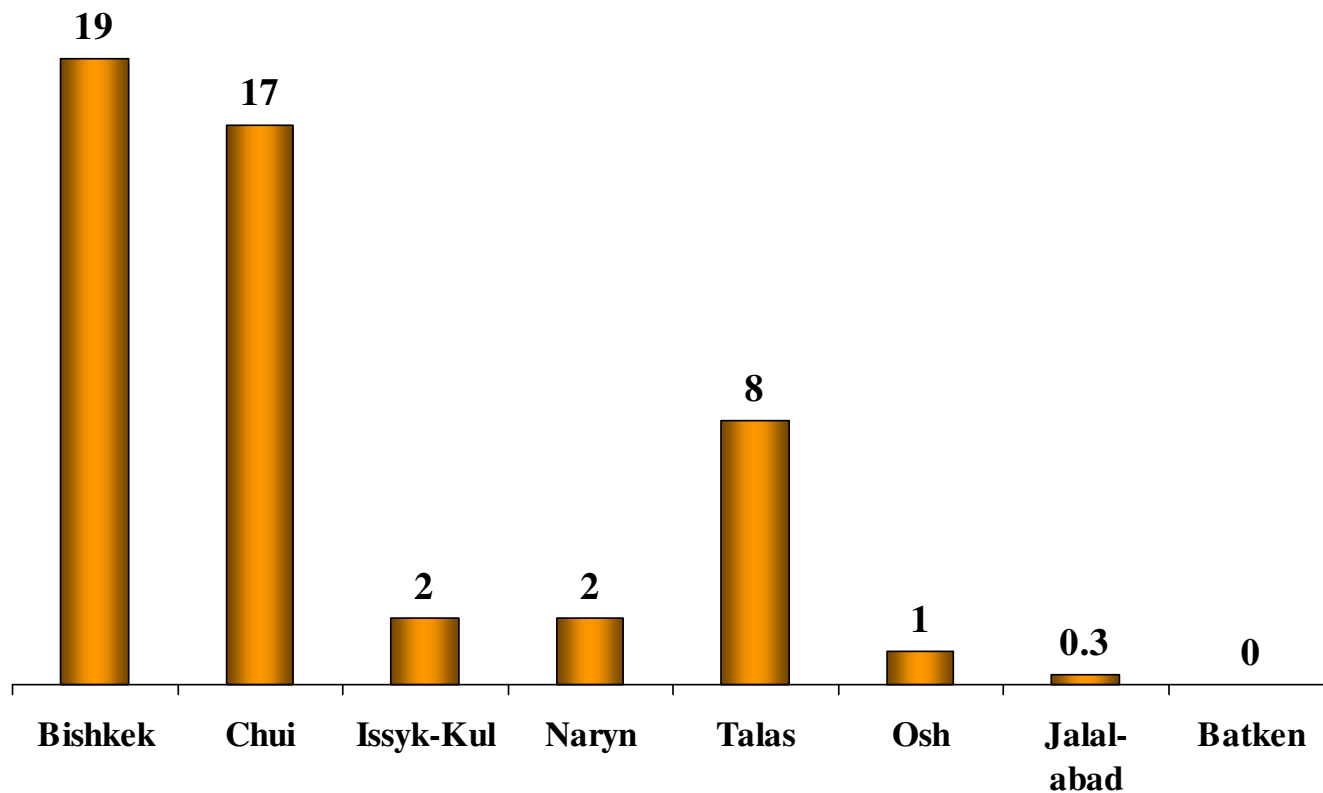
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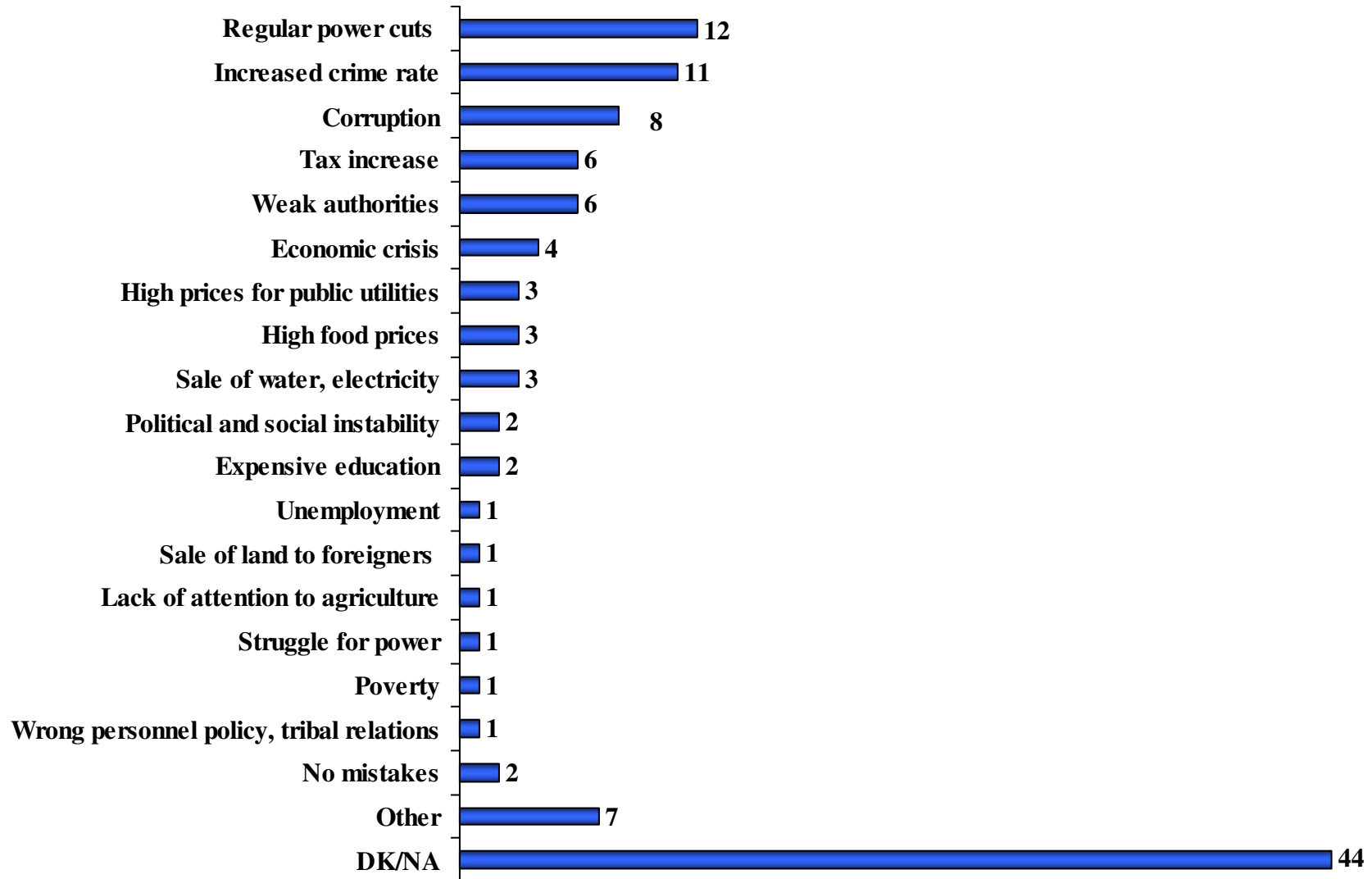
No achievements

(Percentage of respondents mentioning this issue; two answers allowed; N=117)



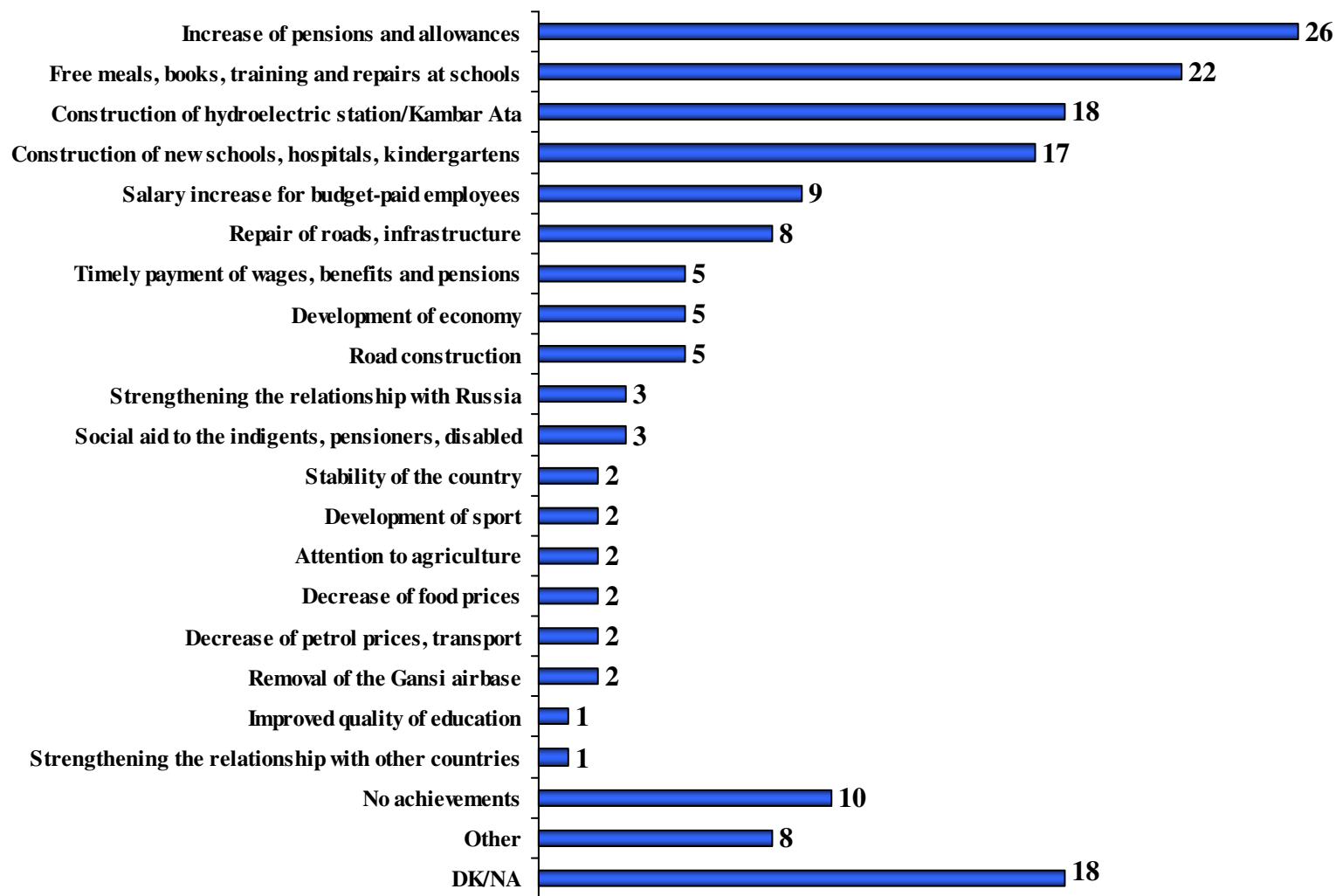
What have been the biggest mistakes of the government over the last 12 months?

(two answers allowed)



What have been the most important achievements under President Kurmanbek Bakiev's governance?

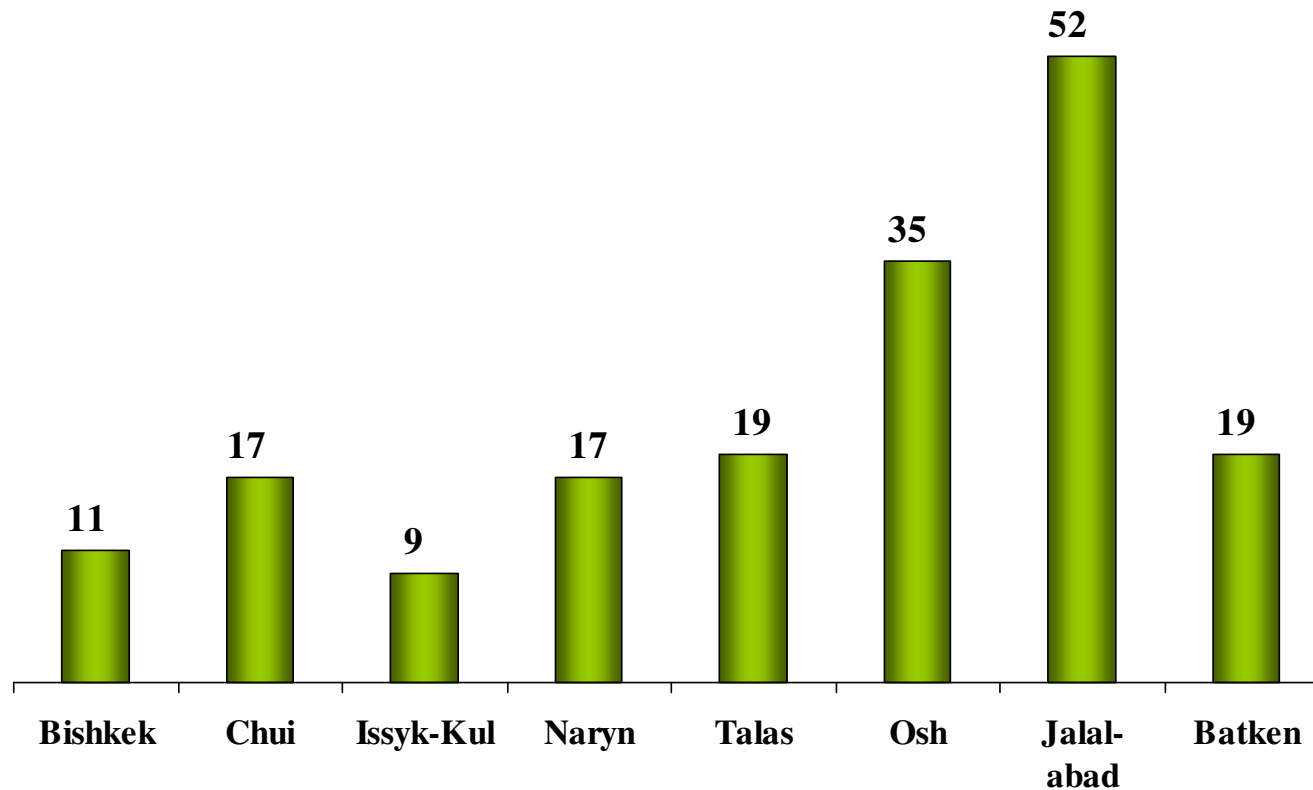
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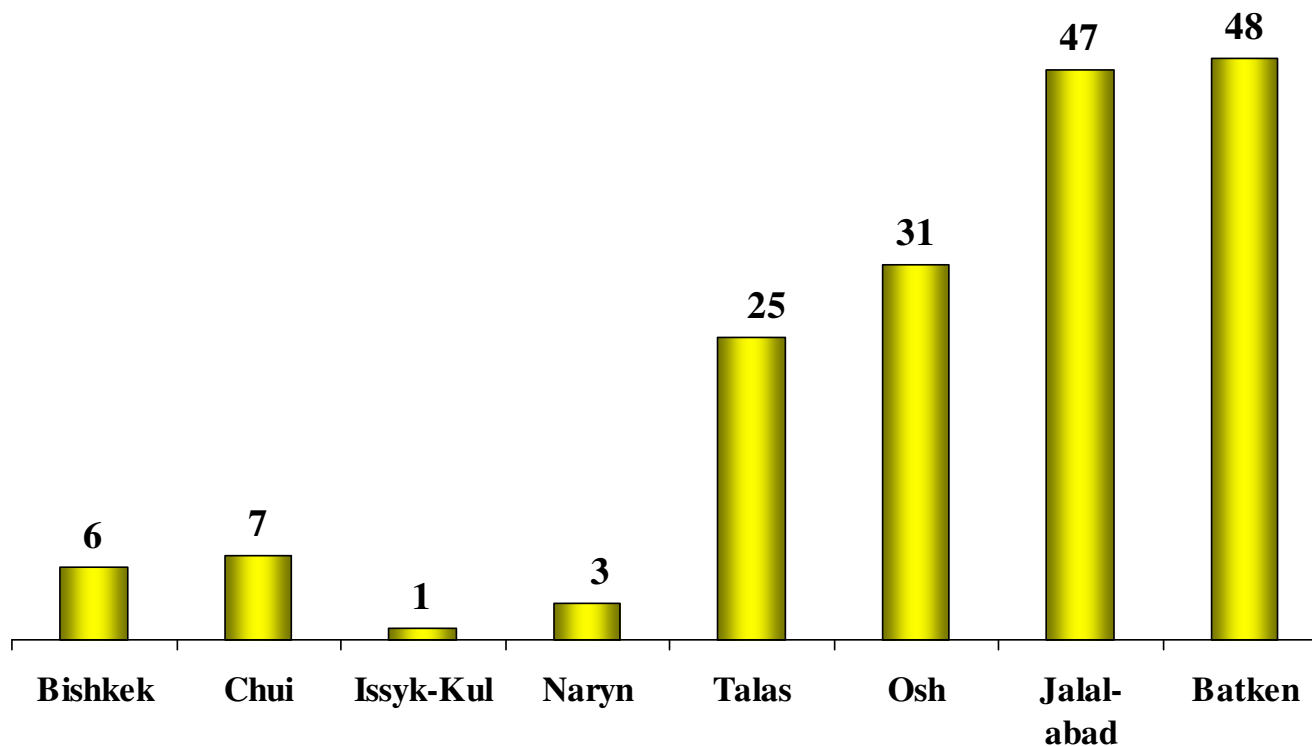
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Increase of pensions and allowances

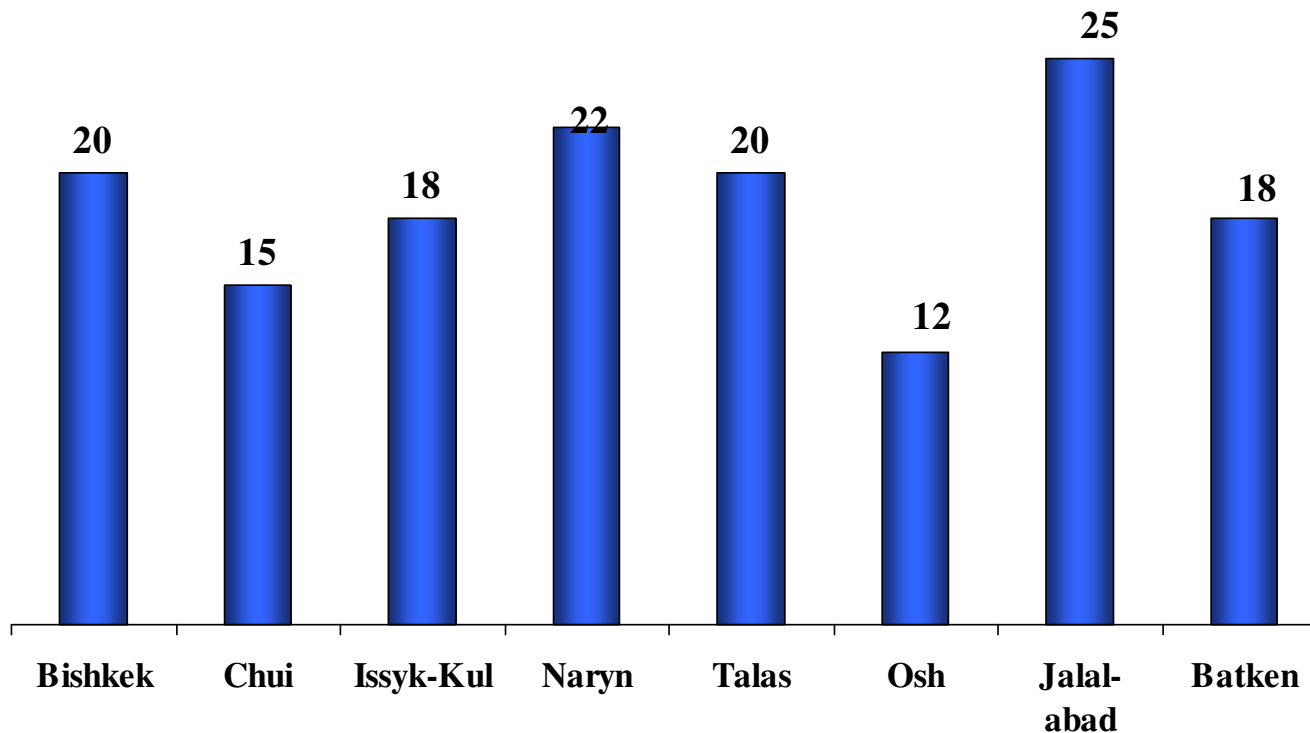
(Respondents mentioning this issue – all mentions; N=415)



**What have been the most important achievements under
President Kurmanbek Bakiev's governance?
Free meals, books, training and repairs at schools
(Respondents mentioning this issue – all mentions; N=365)**



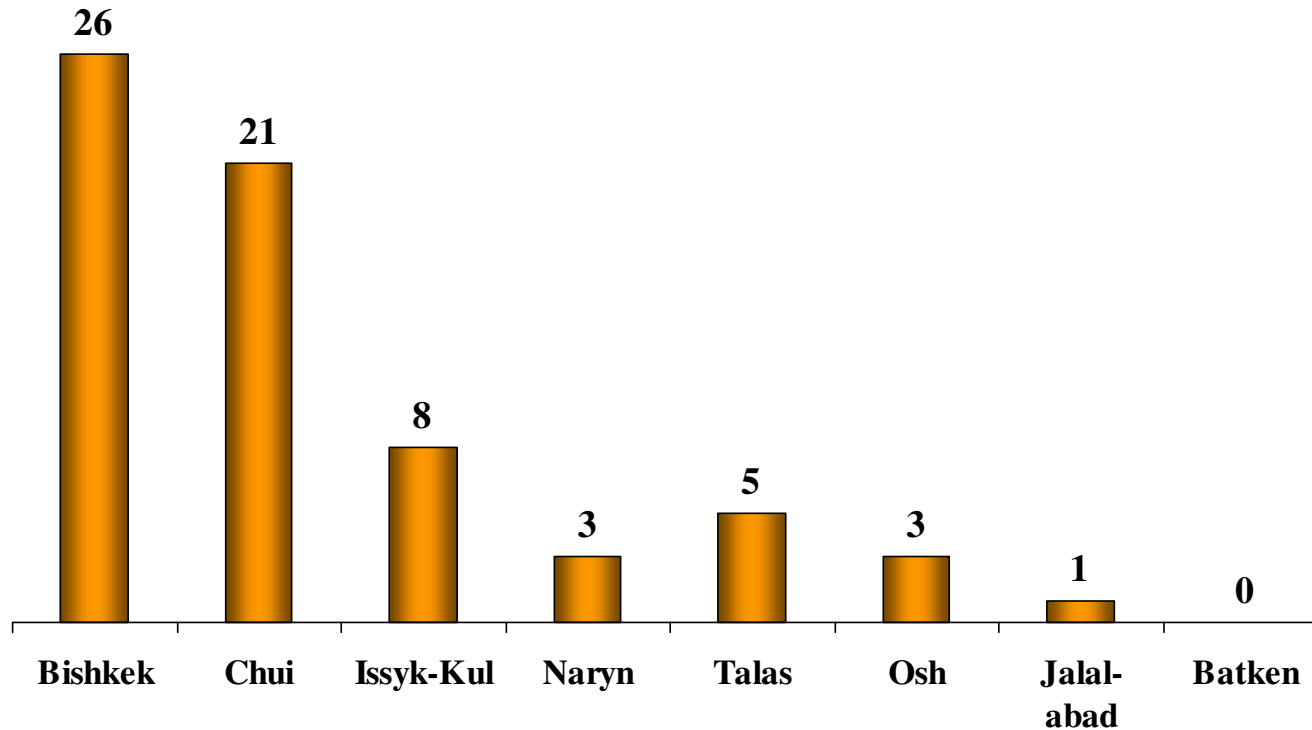
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Construction of hydroelectric station/Kambar Ata
(Respondents mentioning this issue – all mentions; N=293)



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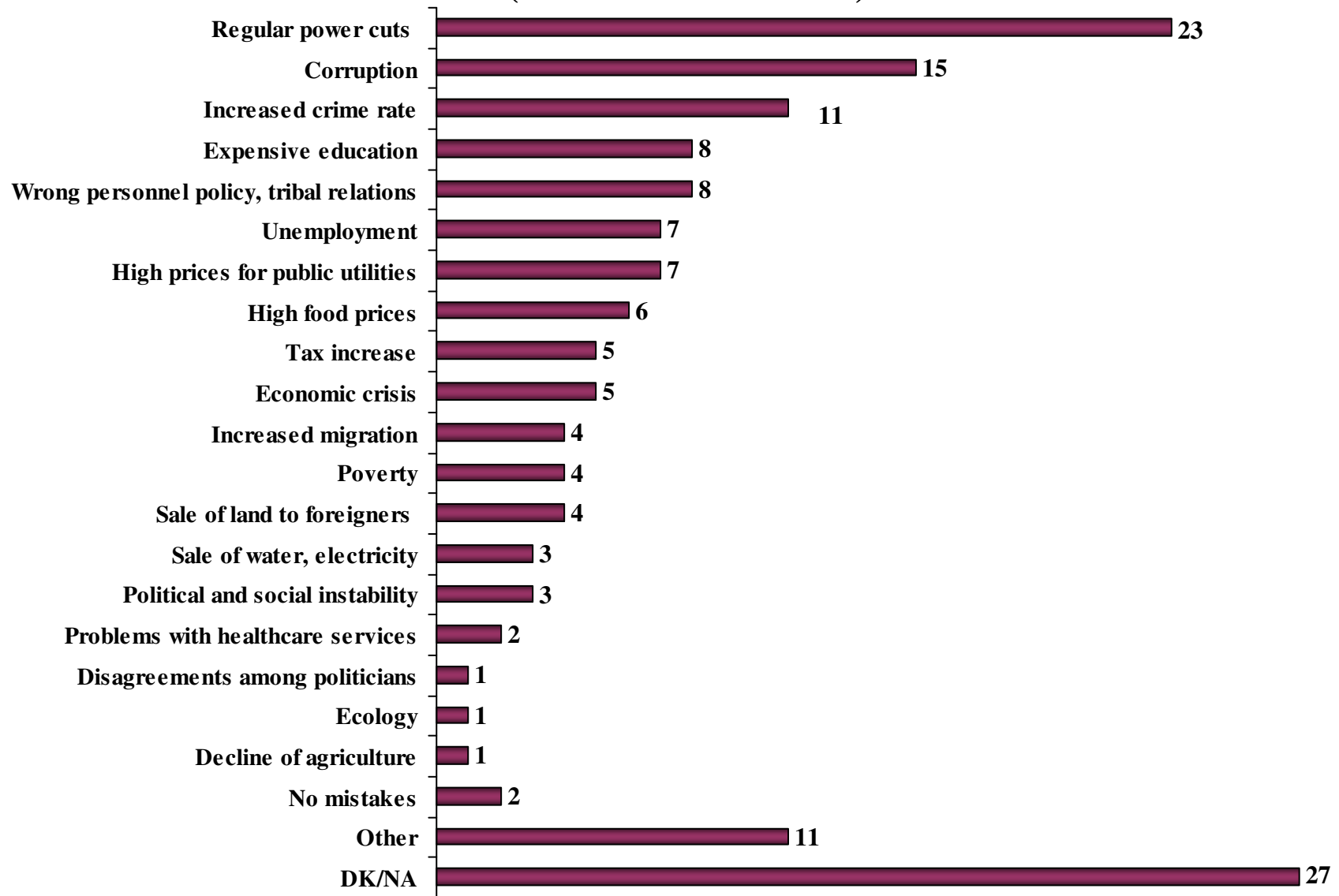
No achievement

(Respondents mentioning this issue – all mentions; N=163)



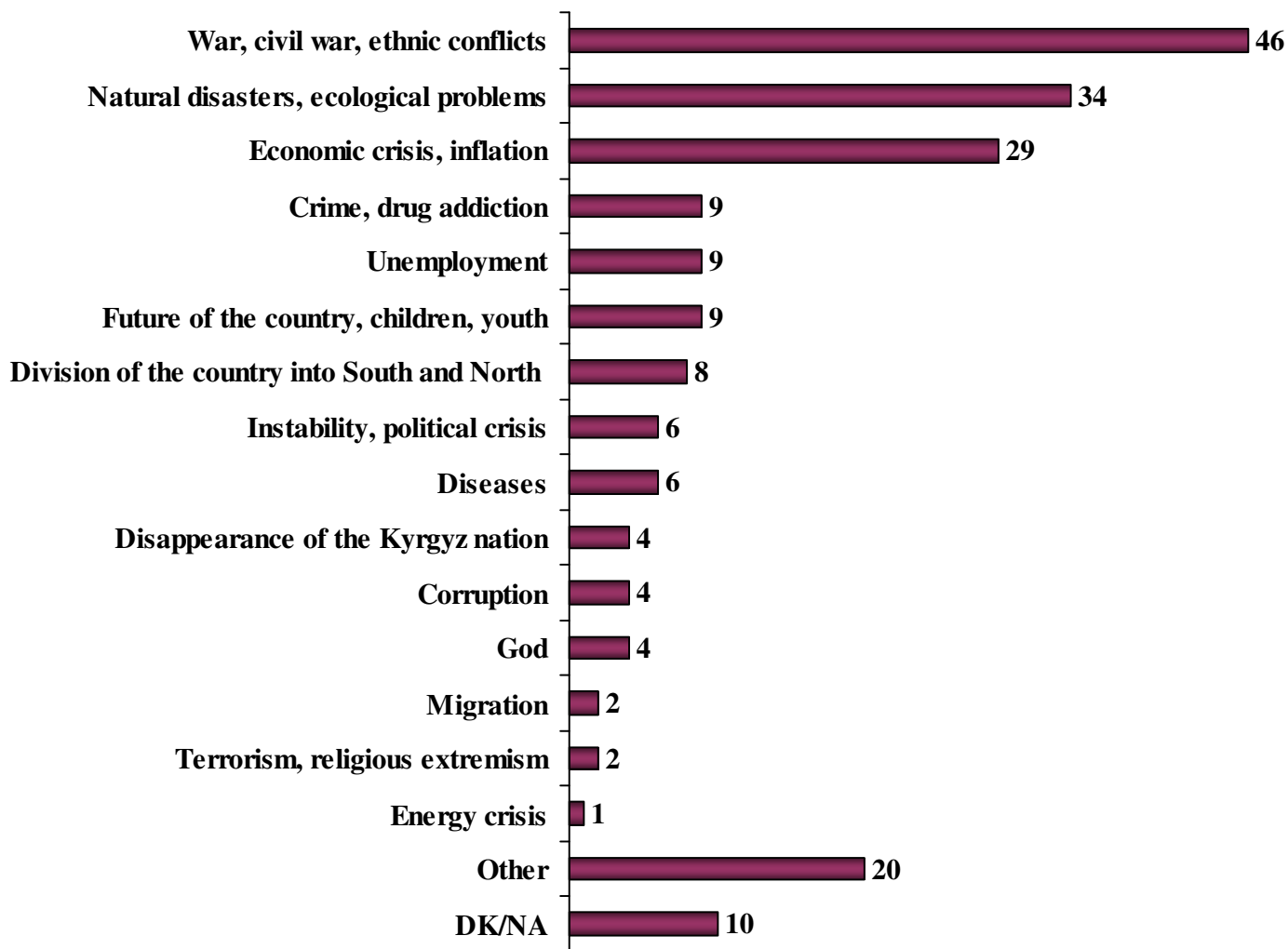
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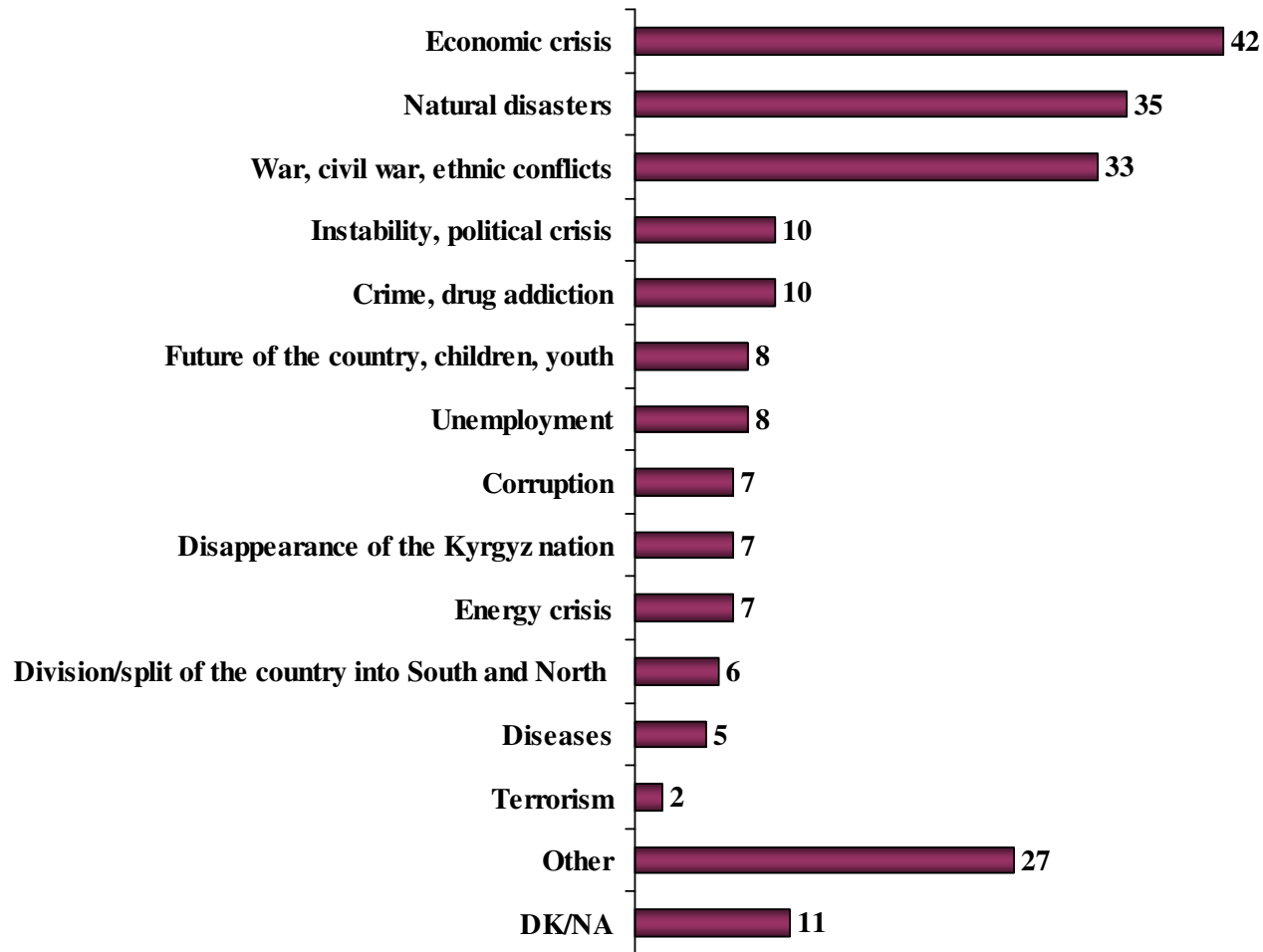
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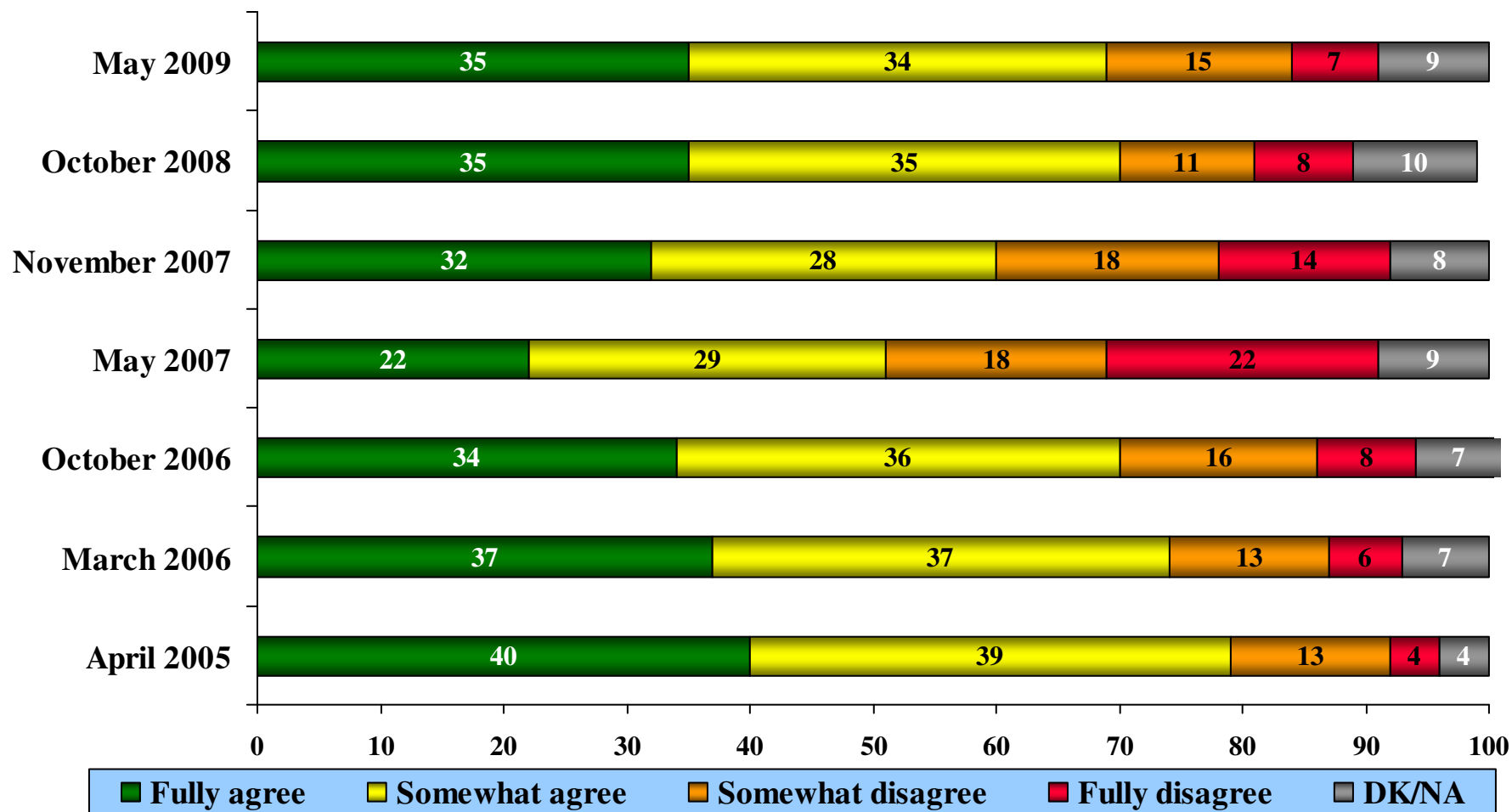
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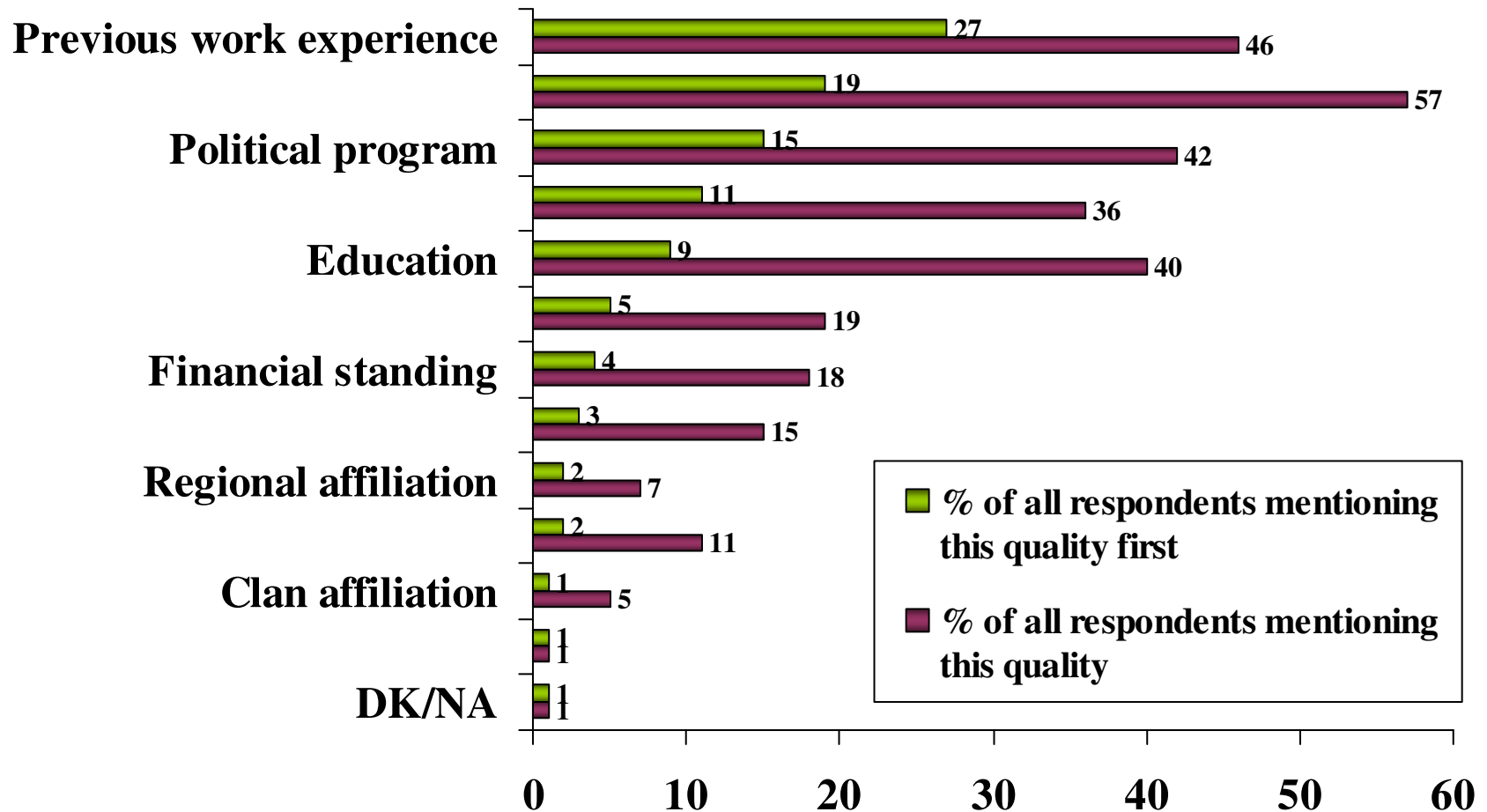
Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: “It is healthy for Kyrgyzstan to have an active opposition.”



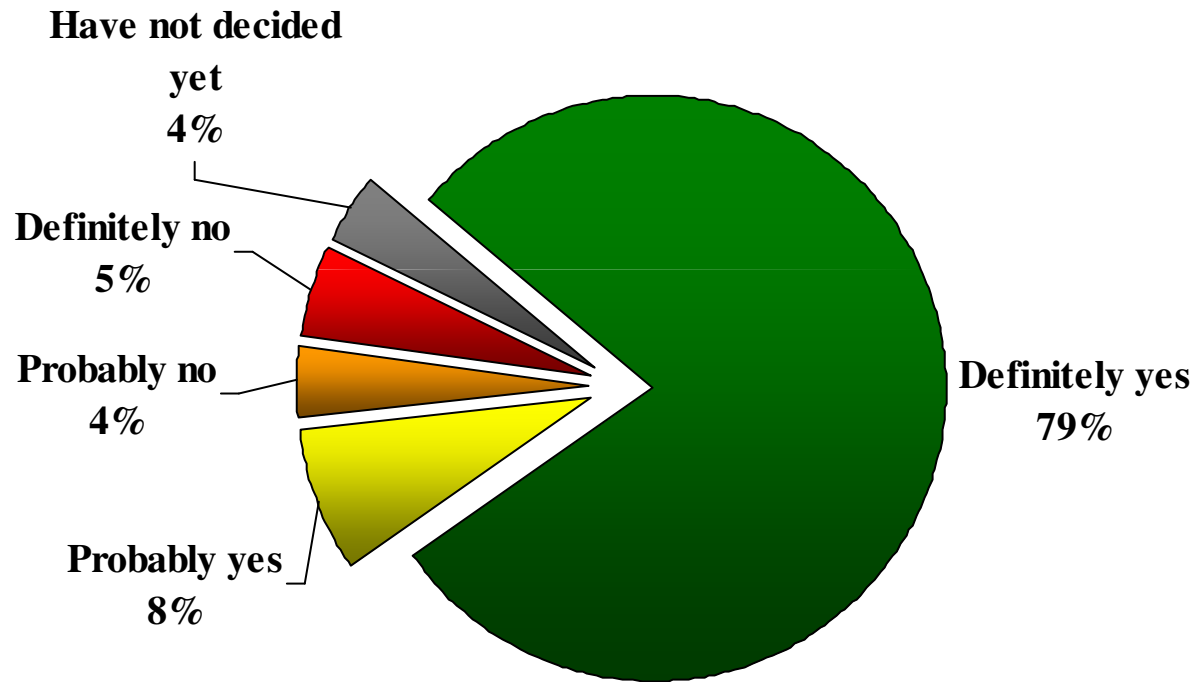
Elections

What are the most significant qualities the President of Kyrgyzstan should possess?

(three answers allowed)

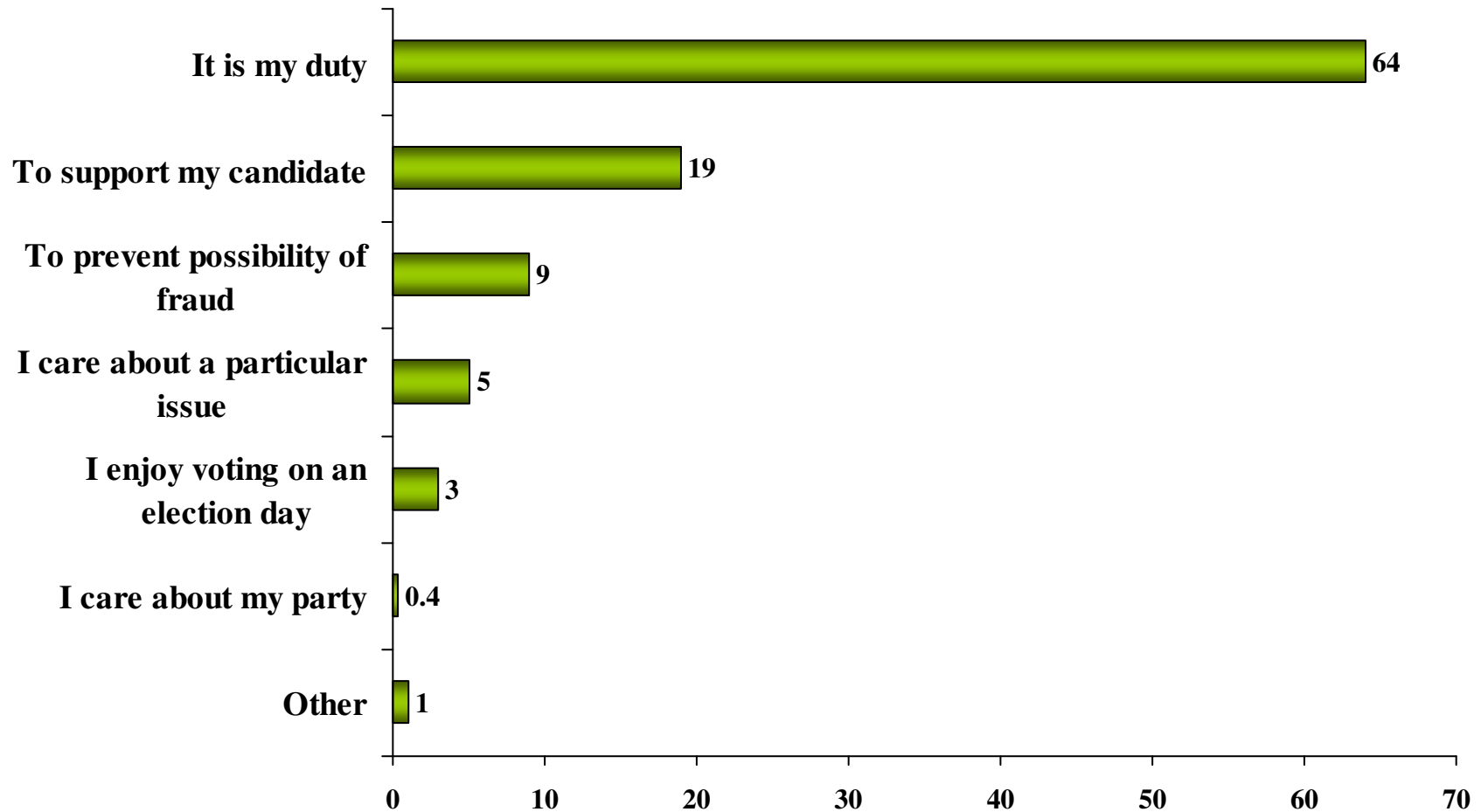


Are you going to vote in the upcoming presidential election?



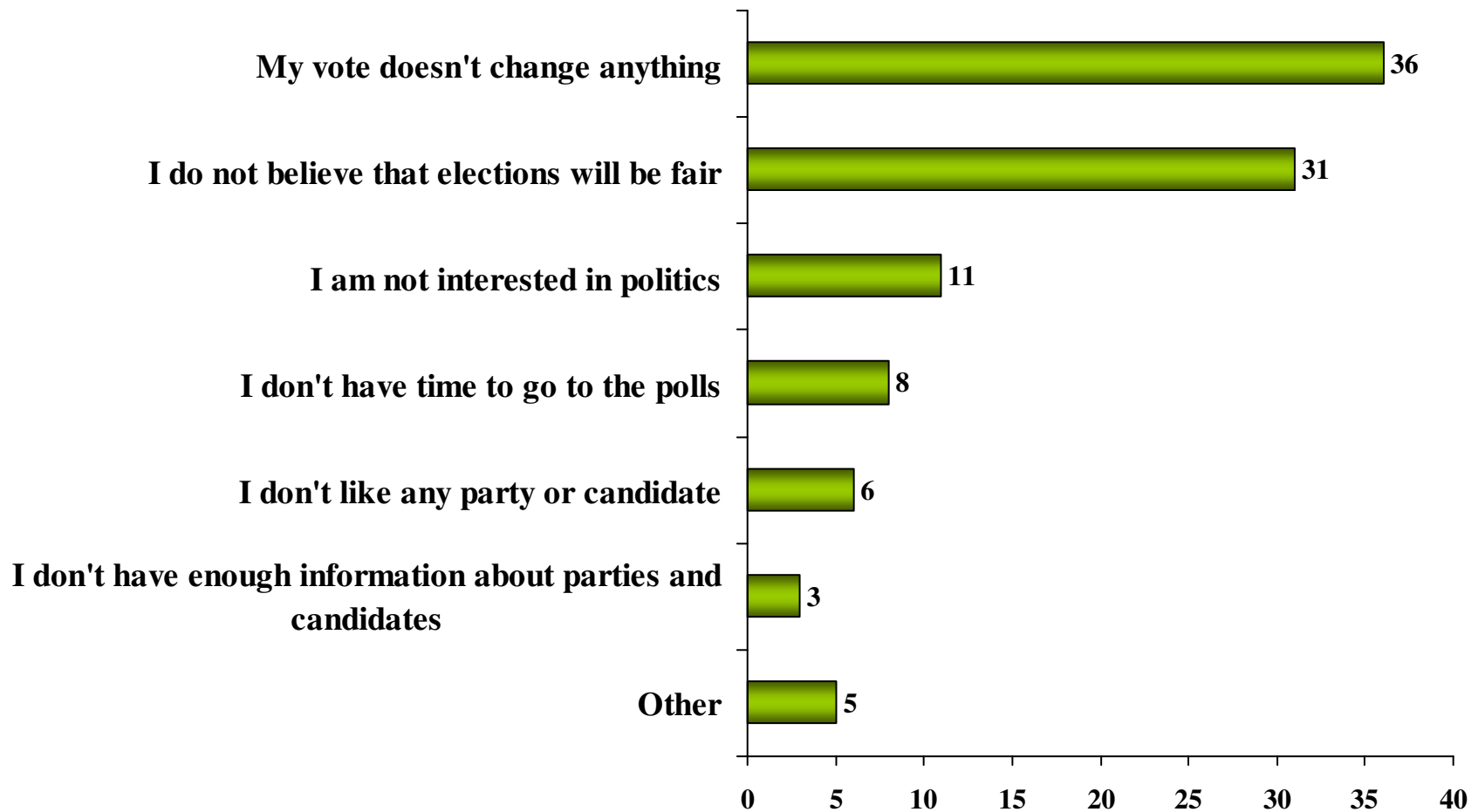
What is your decision based on?

(Percentage of respondents who are going to vote; N=1,437)



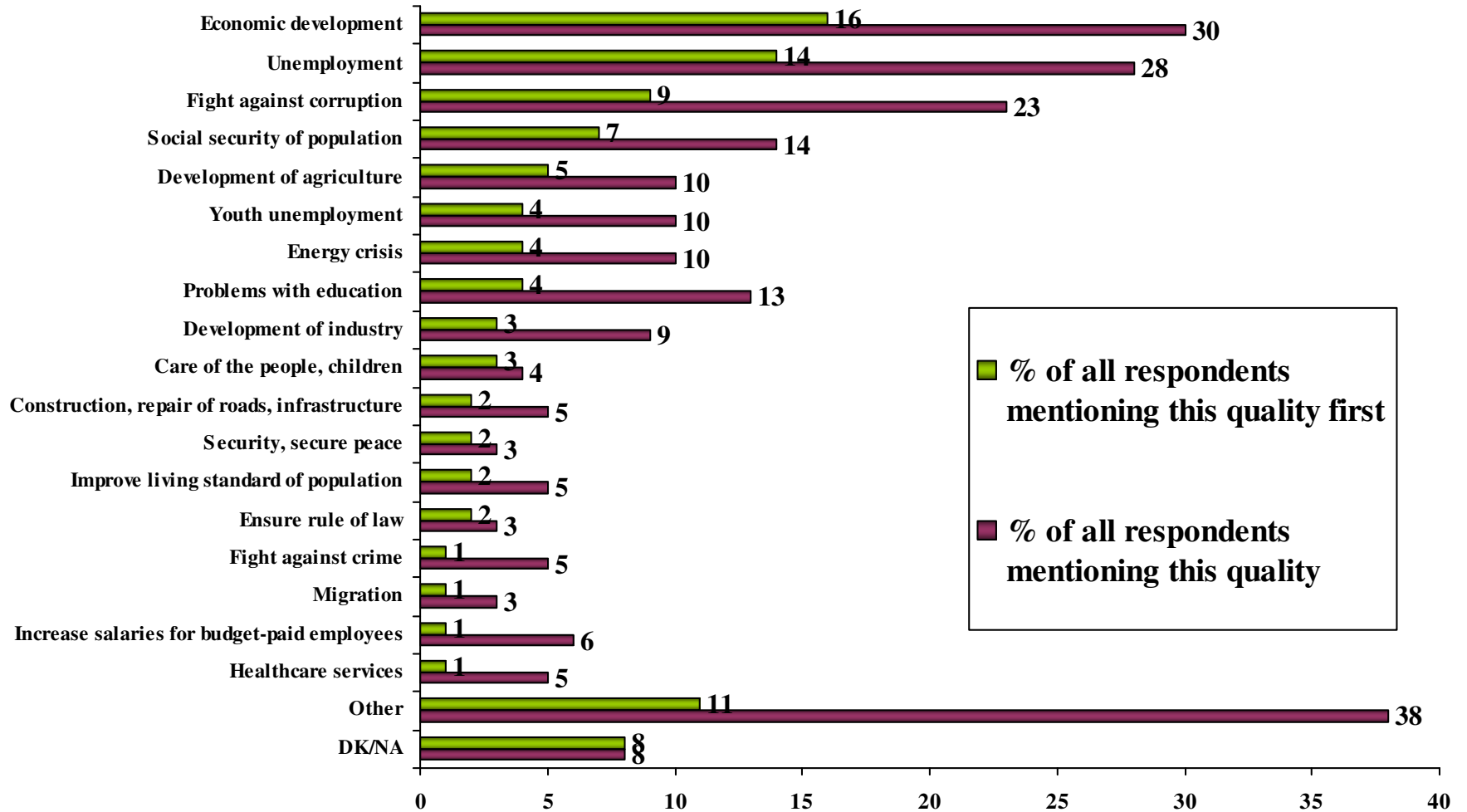
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(Percentage of respondents who are not going to vote; N=133)

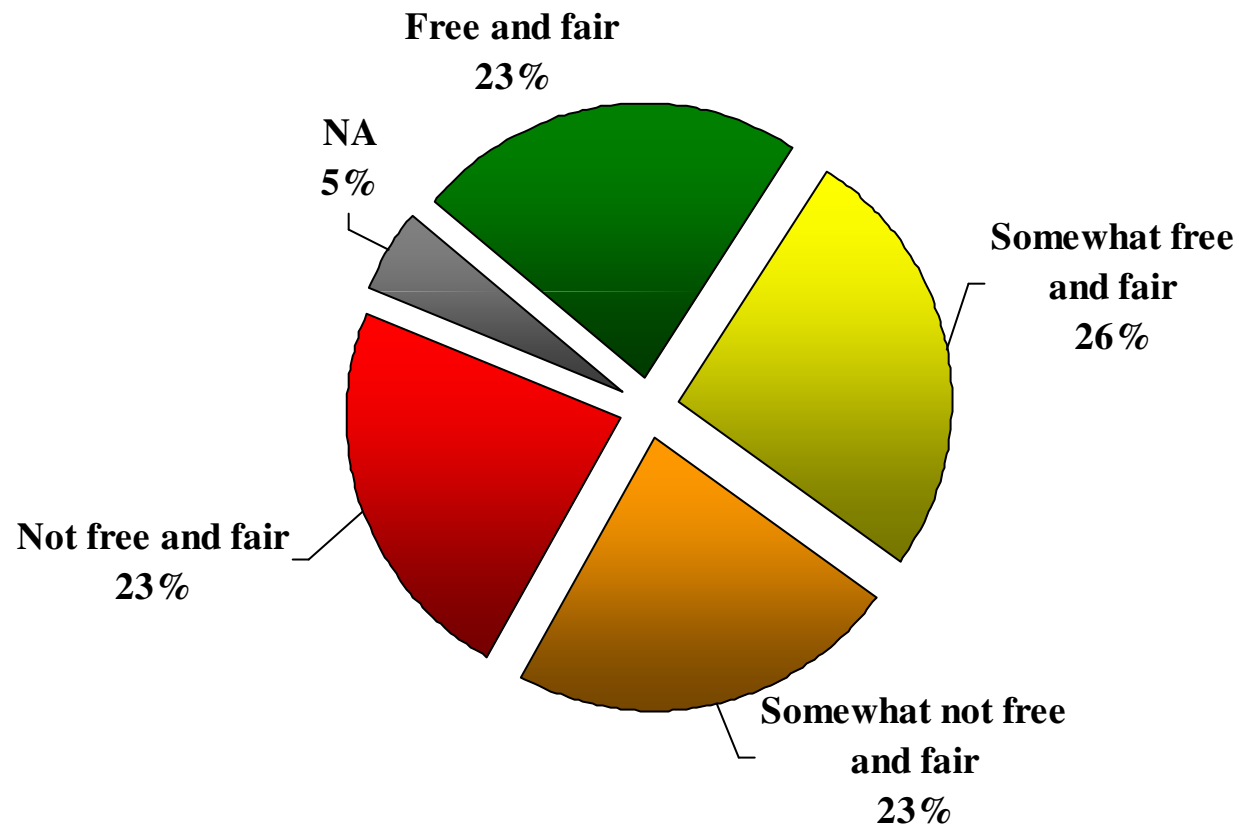


What are the three most important issues the newly-elected president should pay attention to first?

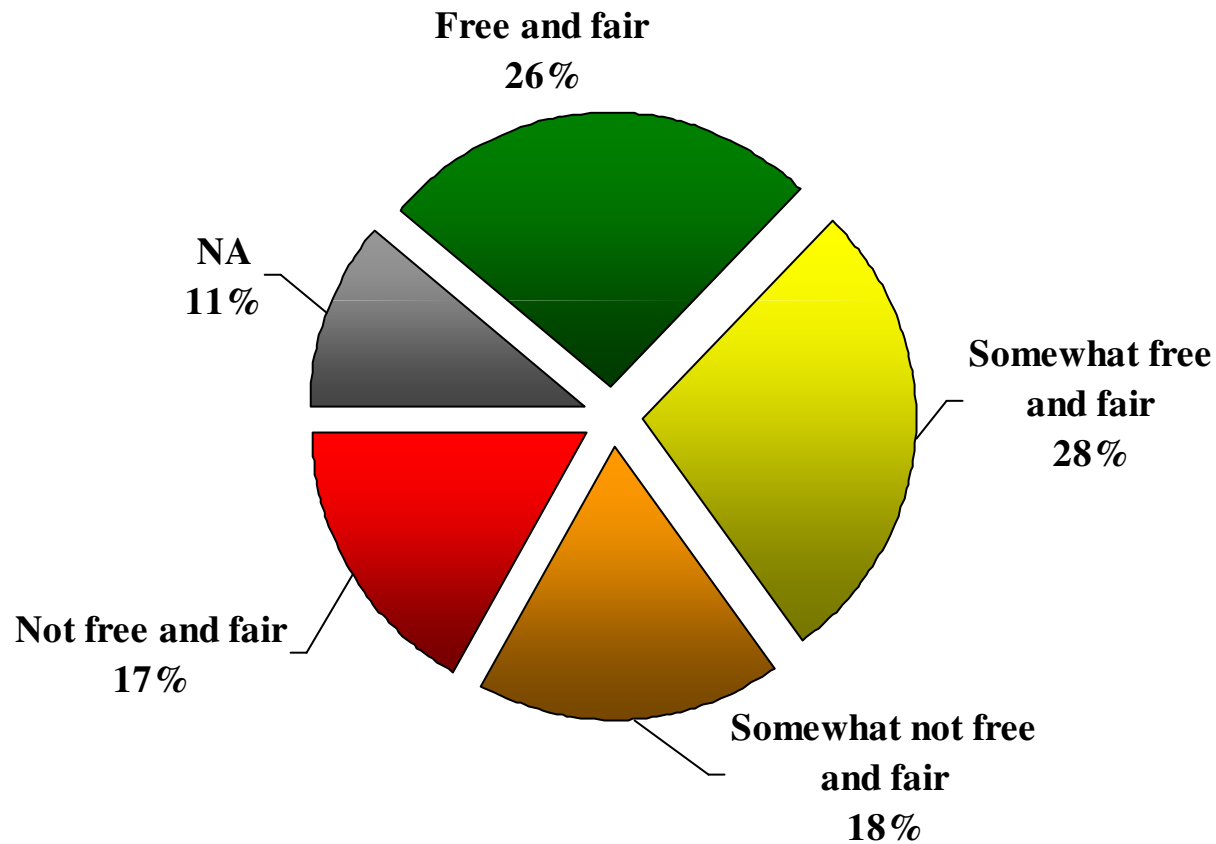
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In your opinion, the latest elections to Jogorku Kenesh held in 2007 were...?



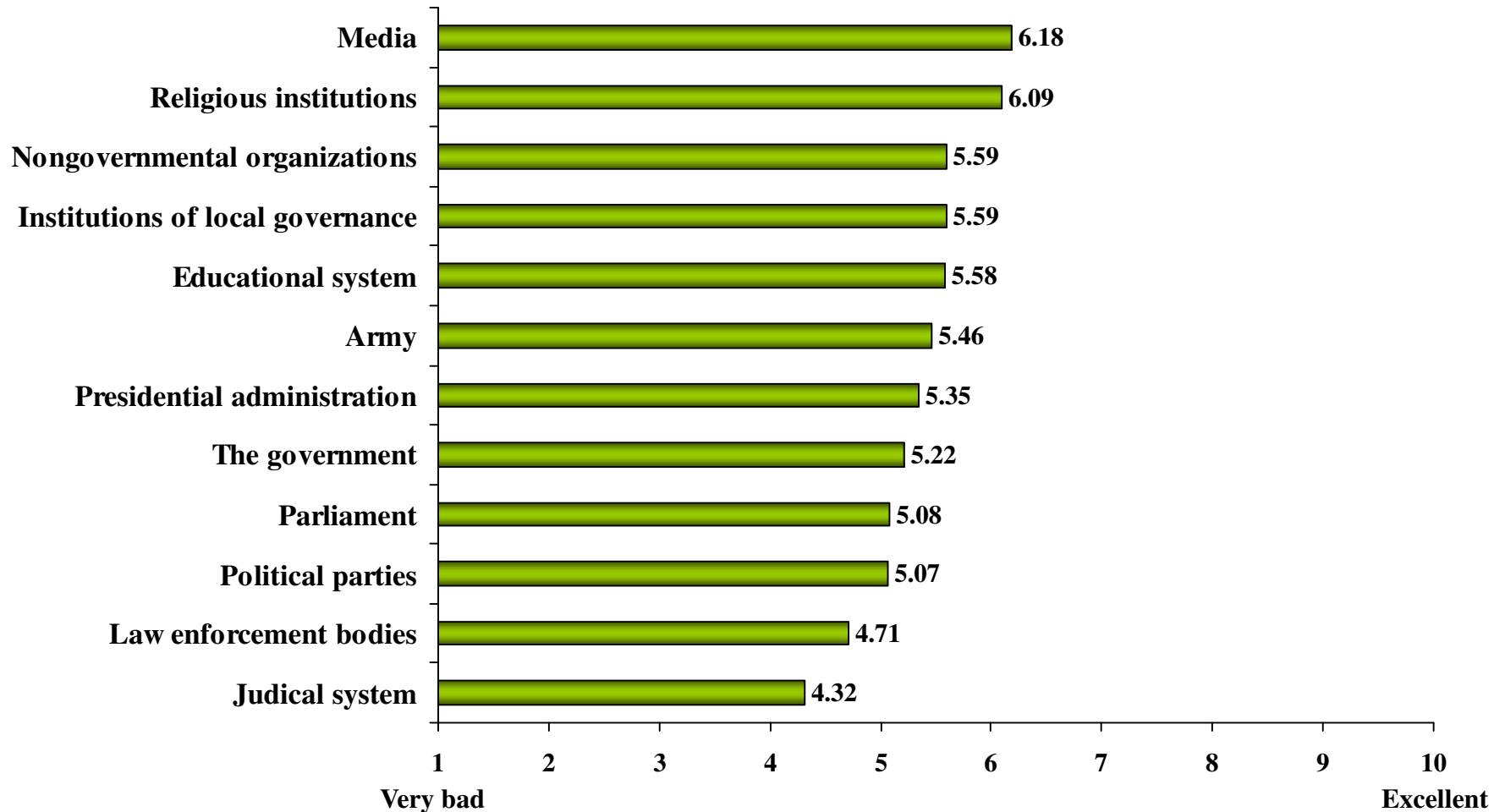
In your opinion, the upcoming presidential election will be...?



INSTITUTIONS

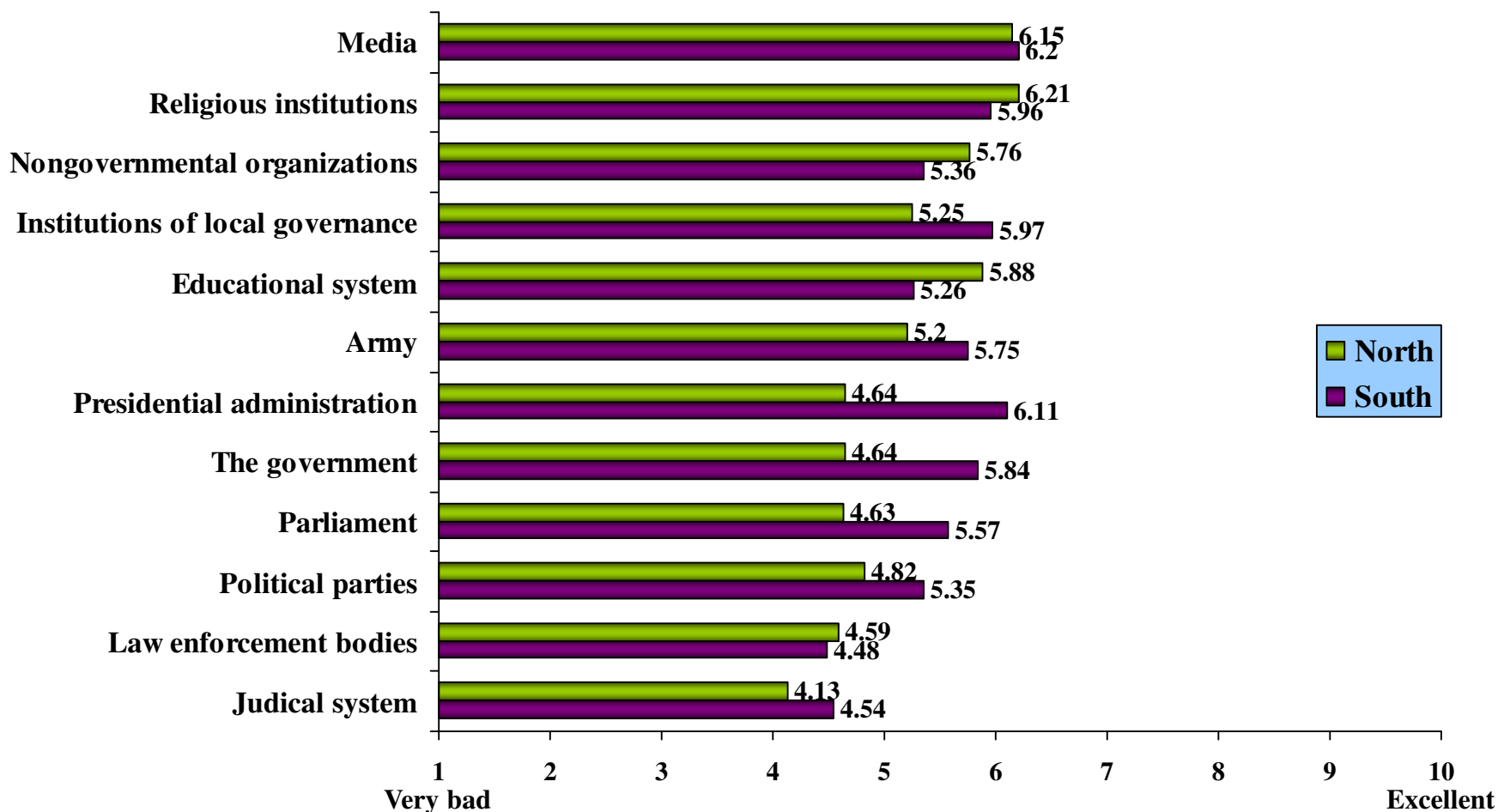
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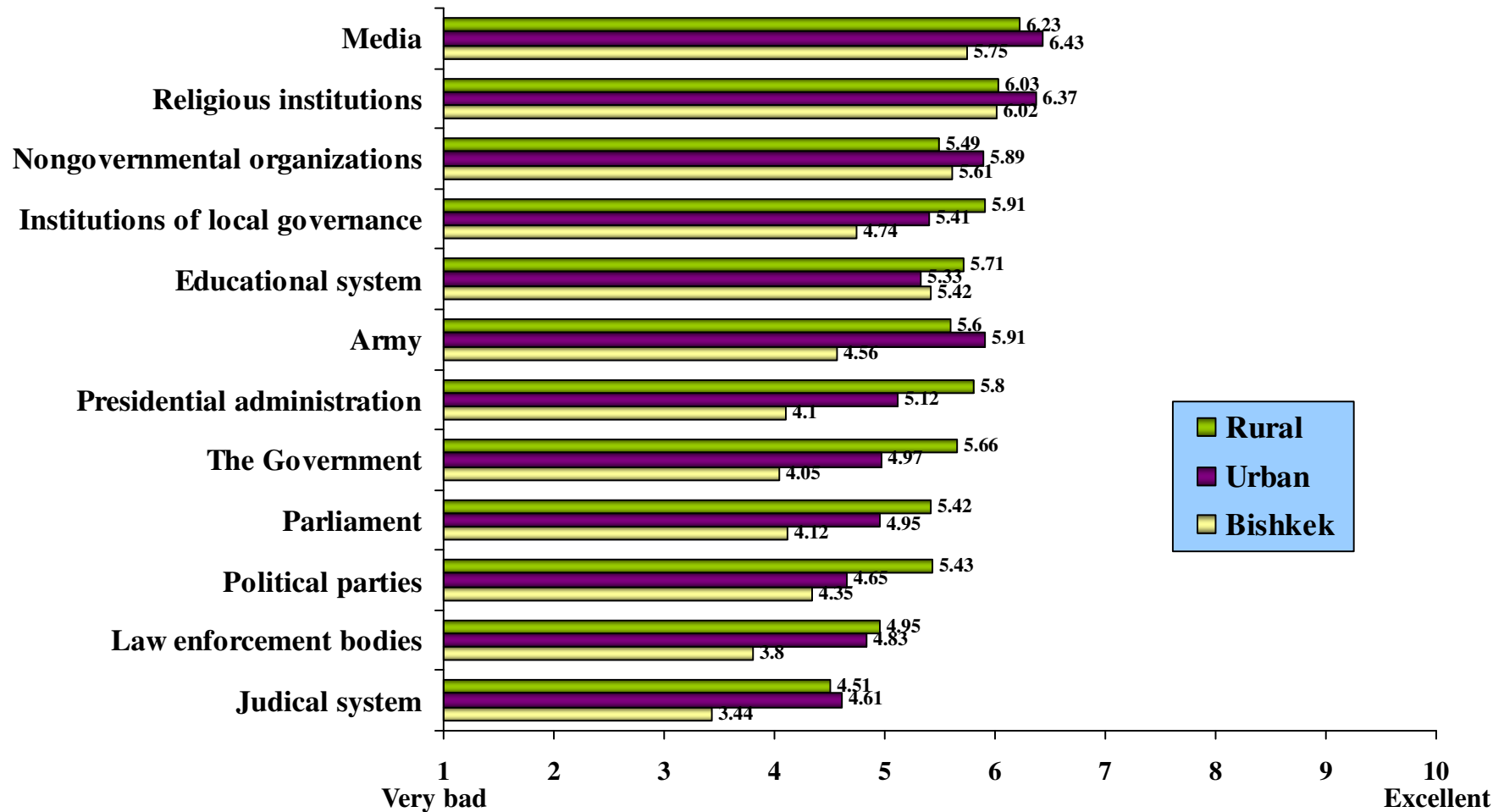
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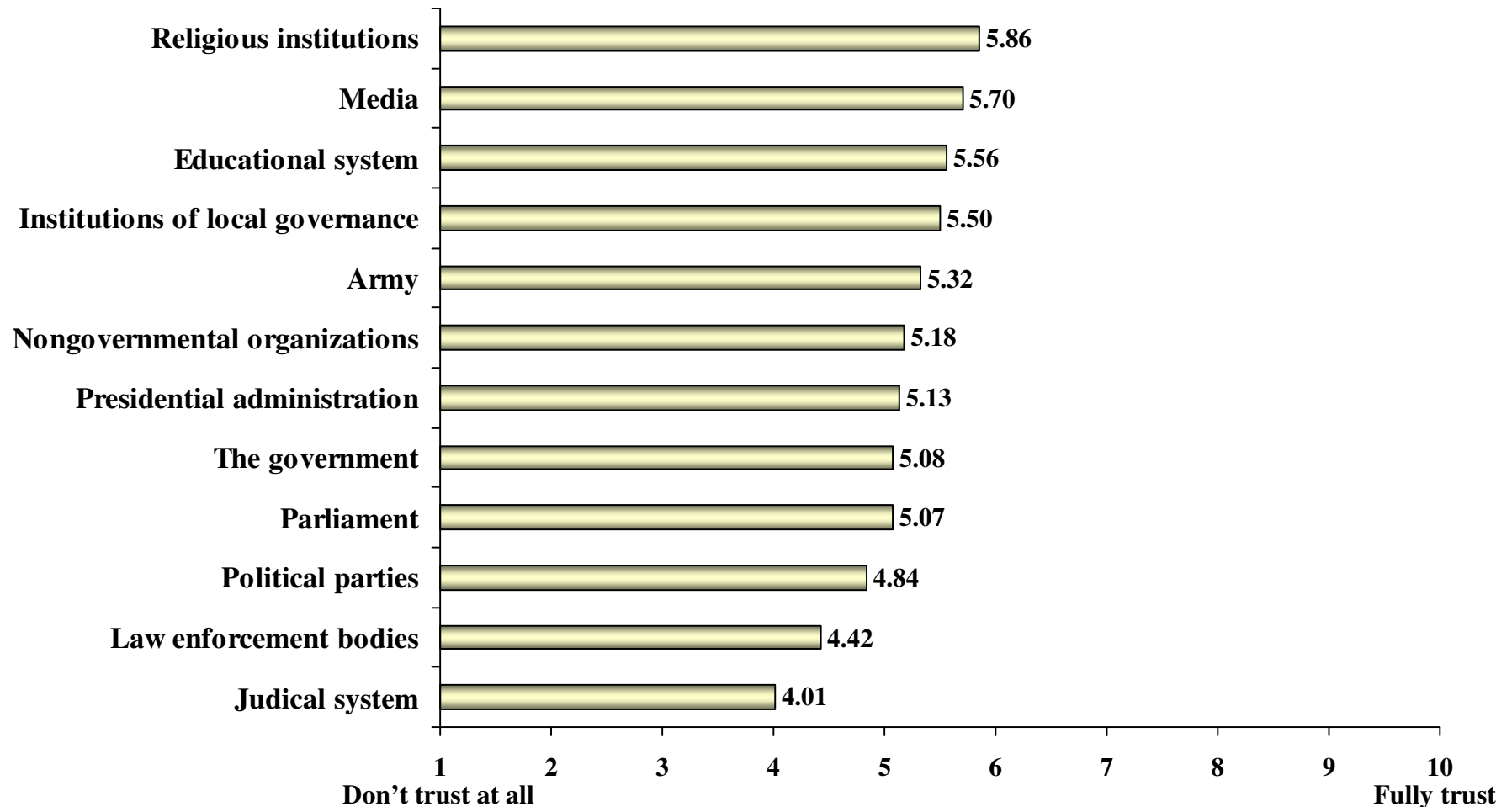
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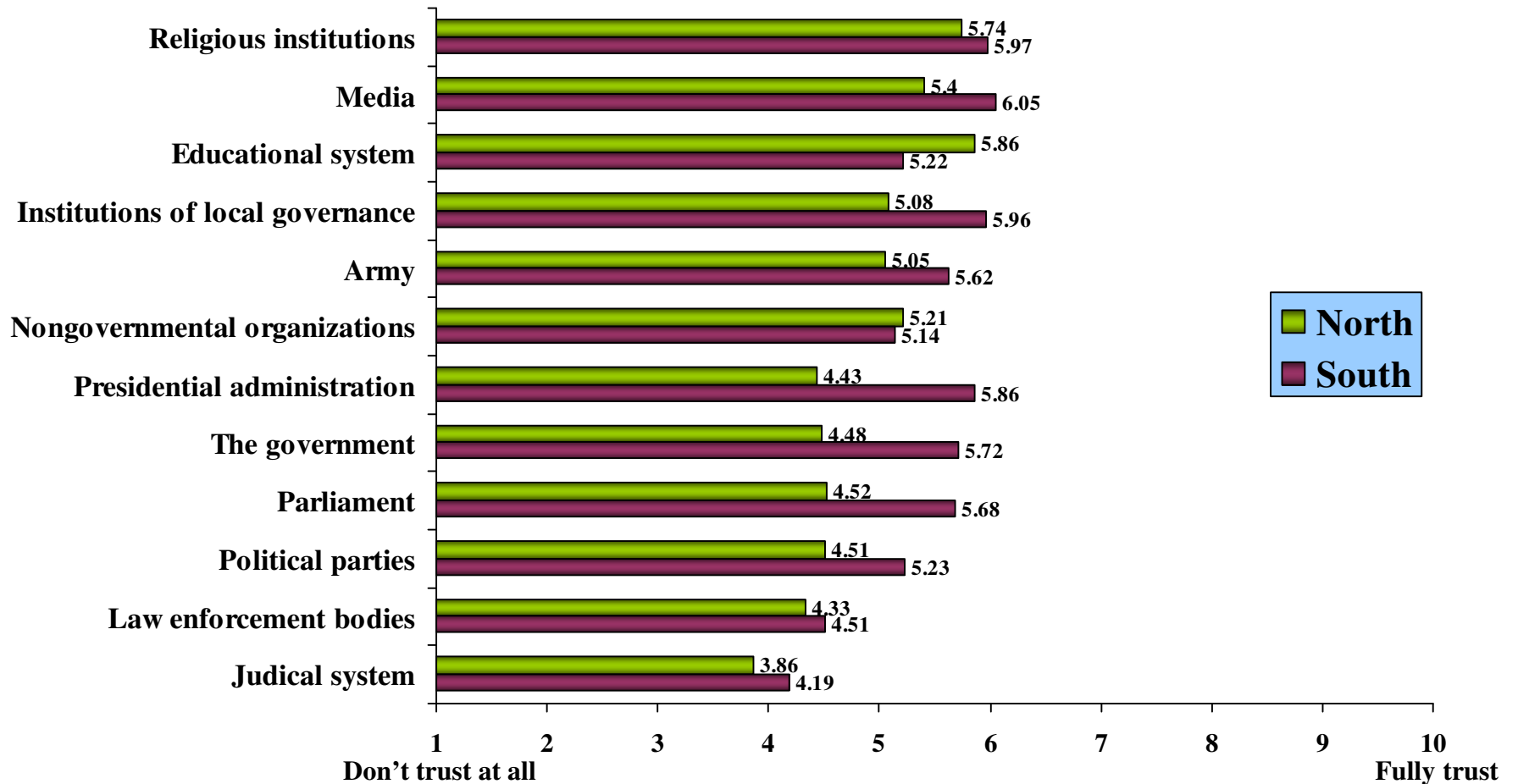
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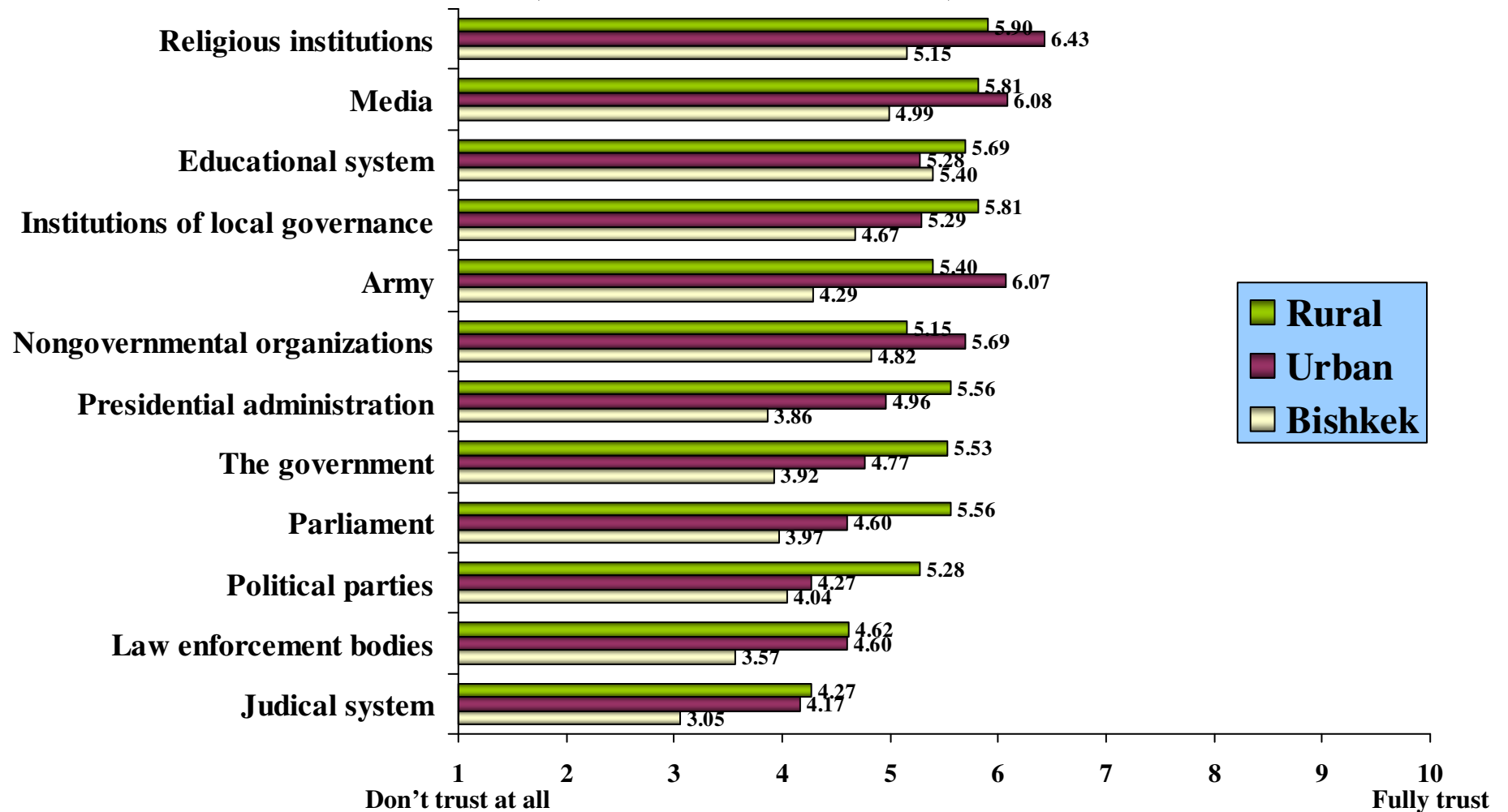
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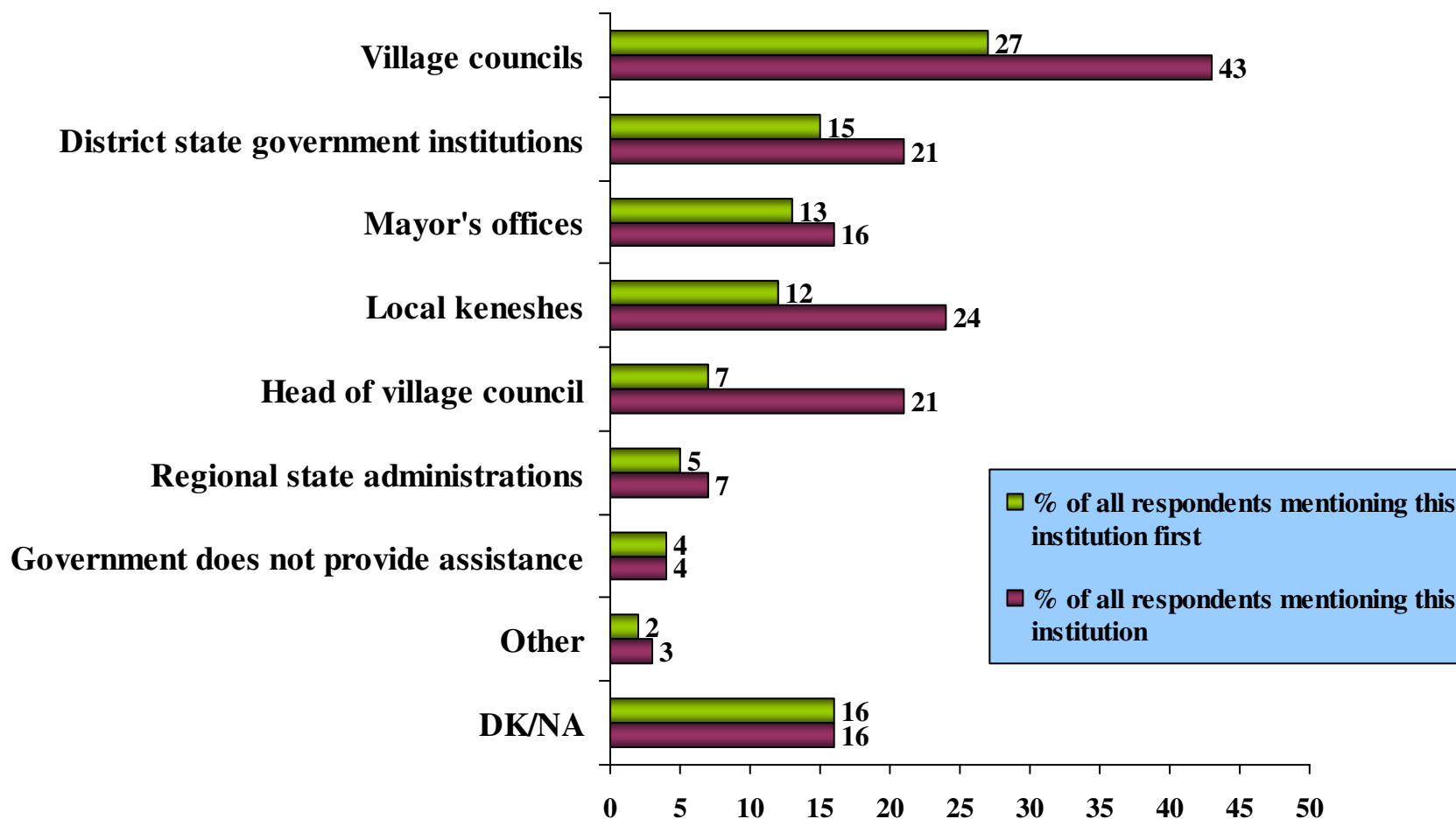
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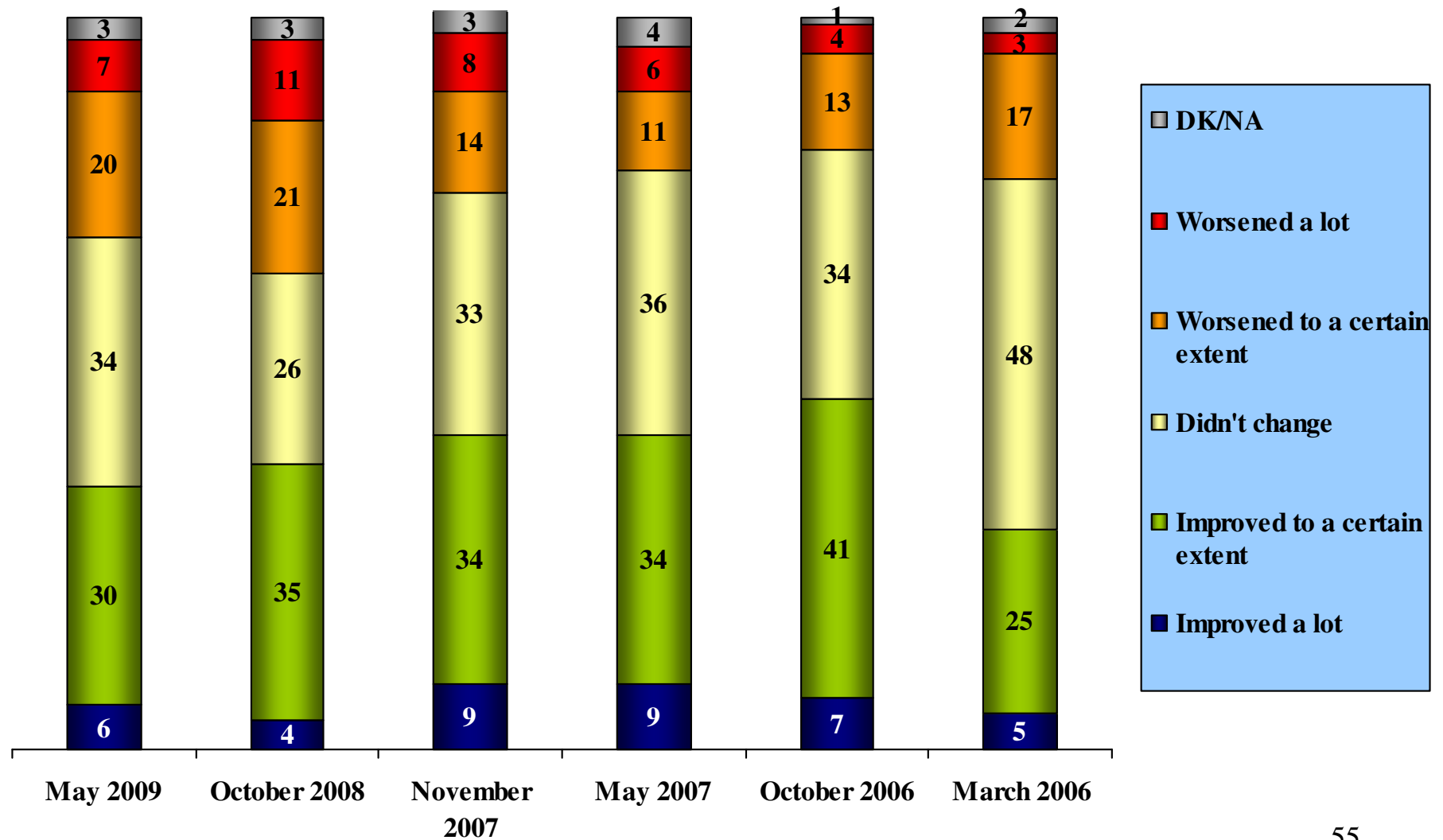
Which state government institutions are the most effective in providing assistance to solve questions and issues for population on the local level?

(two answers allowed)

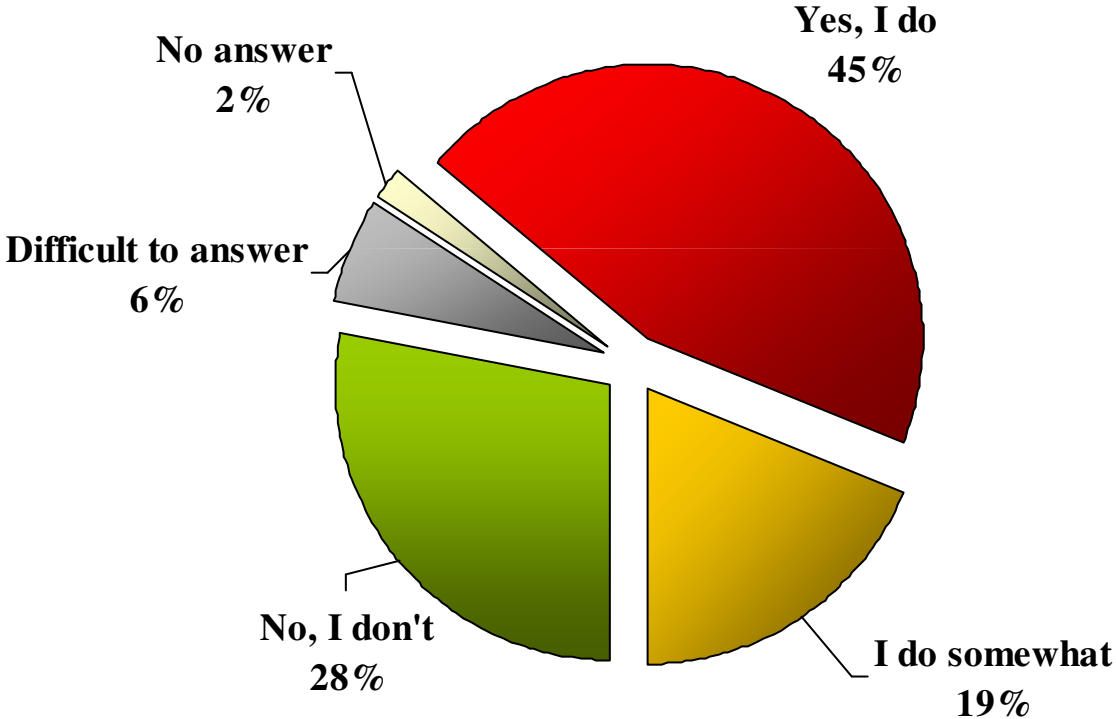


ECONOMY

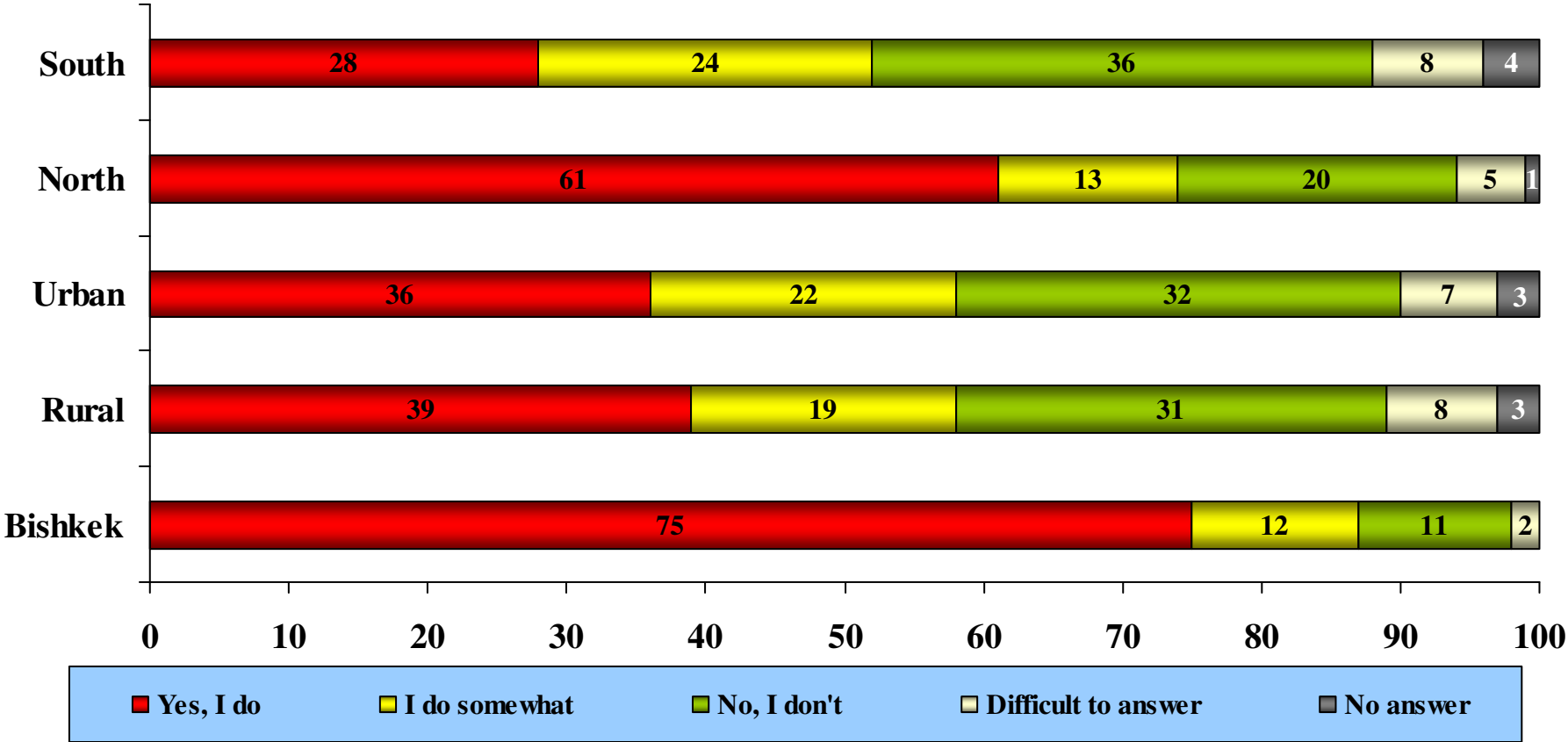
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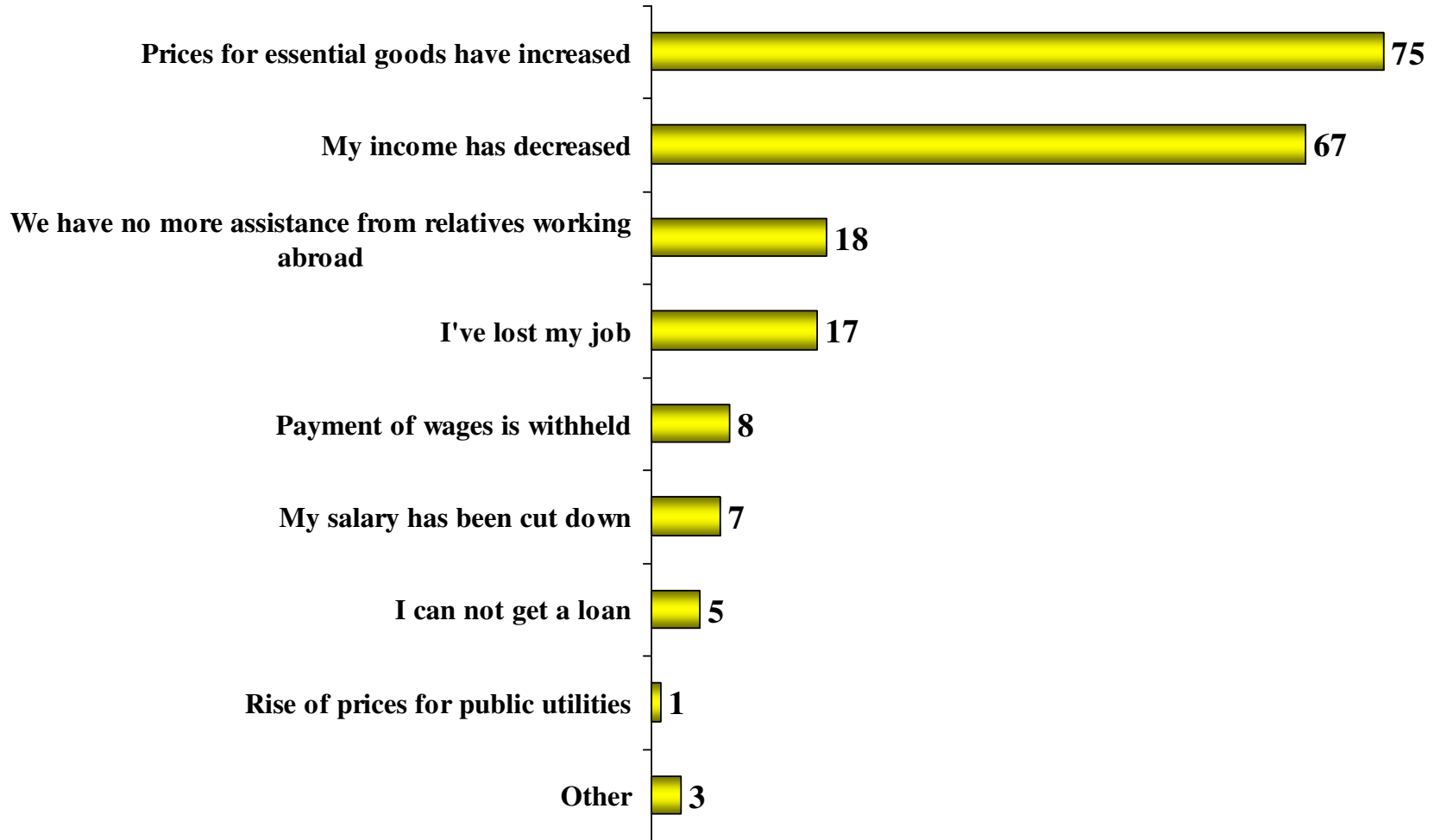


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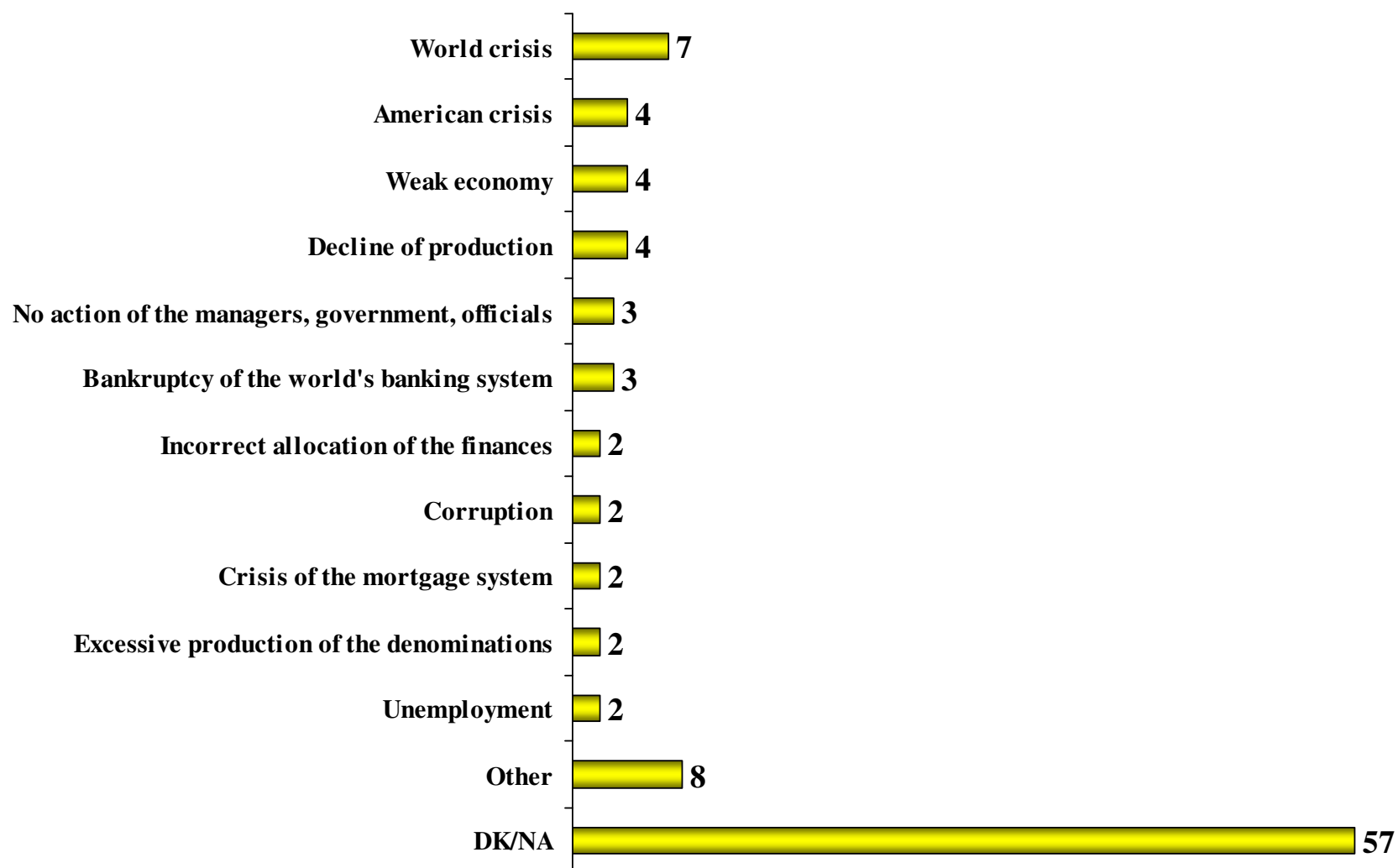


What effects of the world financial and economic crisis do you feel?

(Respondents feeling effects of the world financial and economic crisis - three answers allowed; N=1,037)

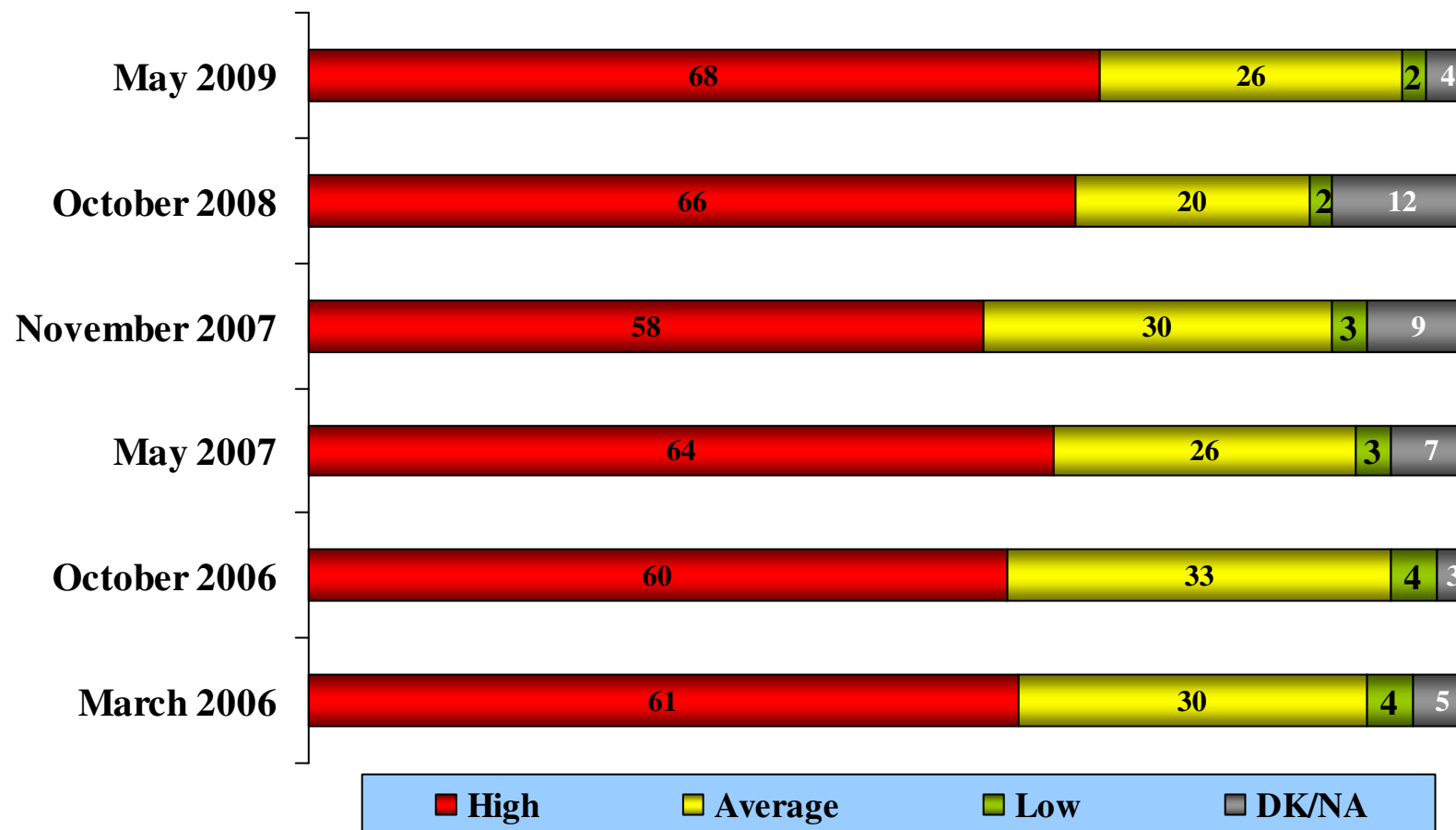


What was the reason for the financial and economic crisis? (three answers allowed)

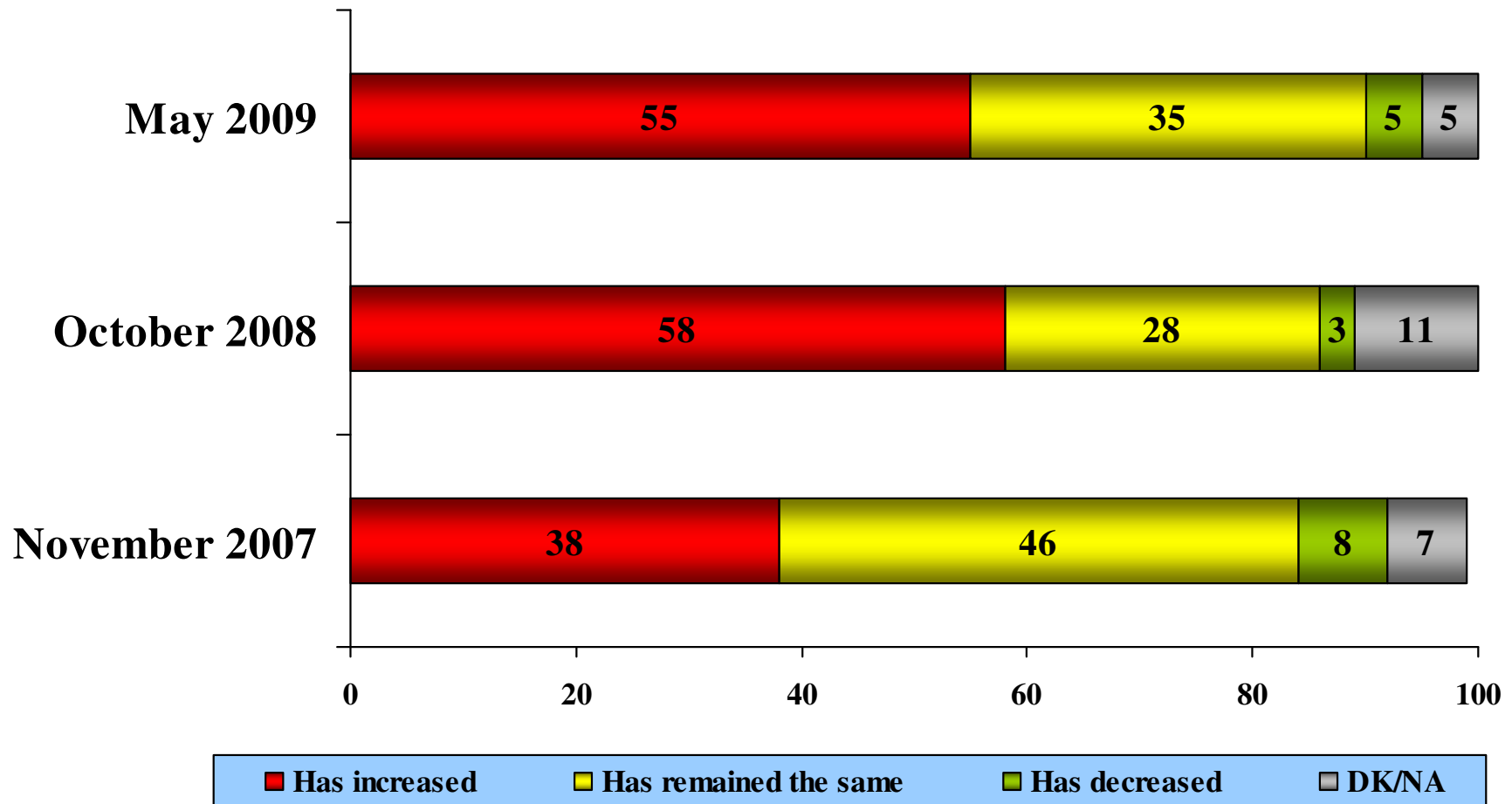


CORRUPTION

Assess the current level of corruption in Kyrgyzstan. In your opinion, it is...?

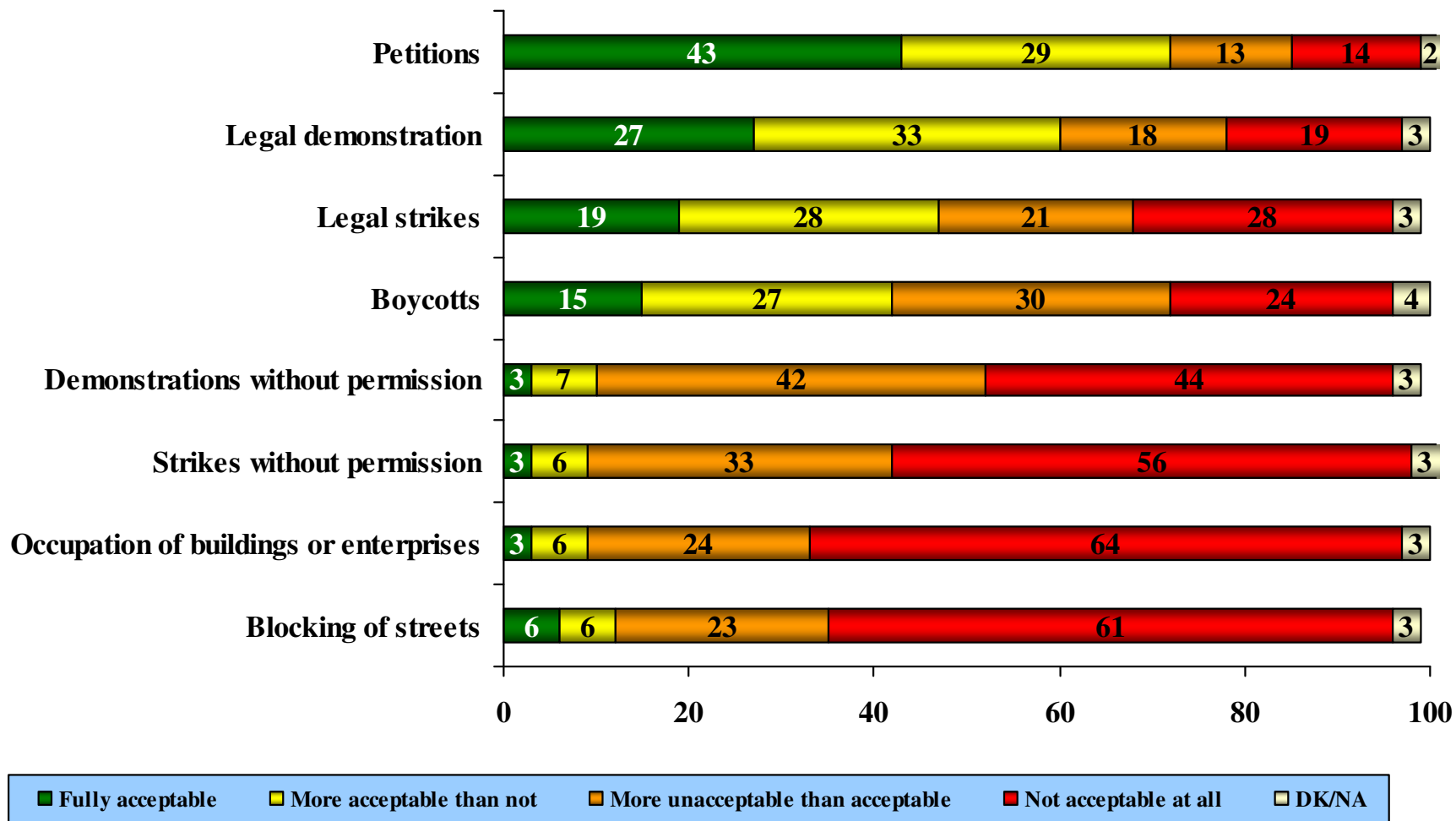


In your opinion, the level of corruption in Kyrgyzstan over the last 12 months...?



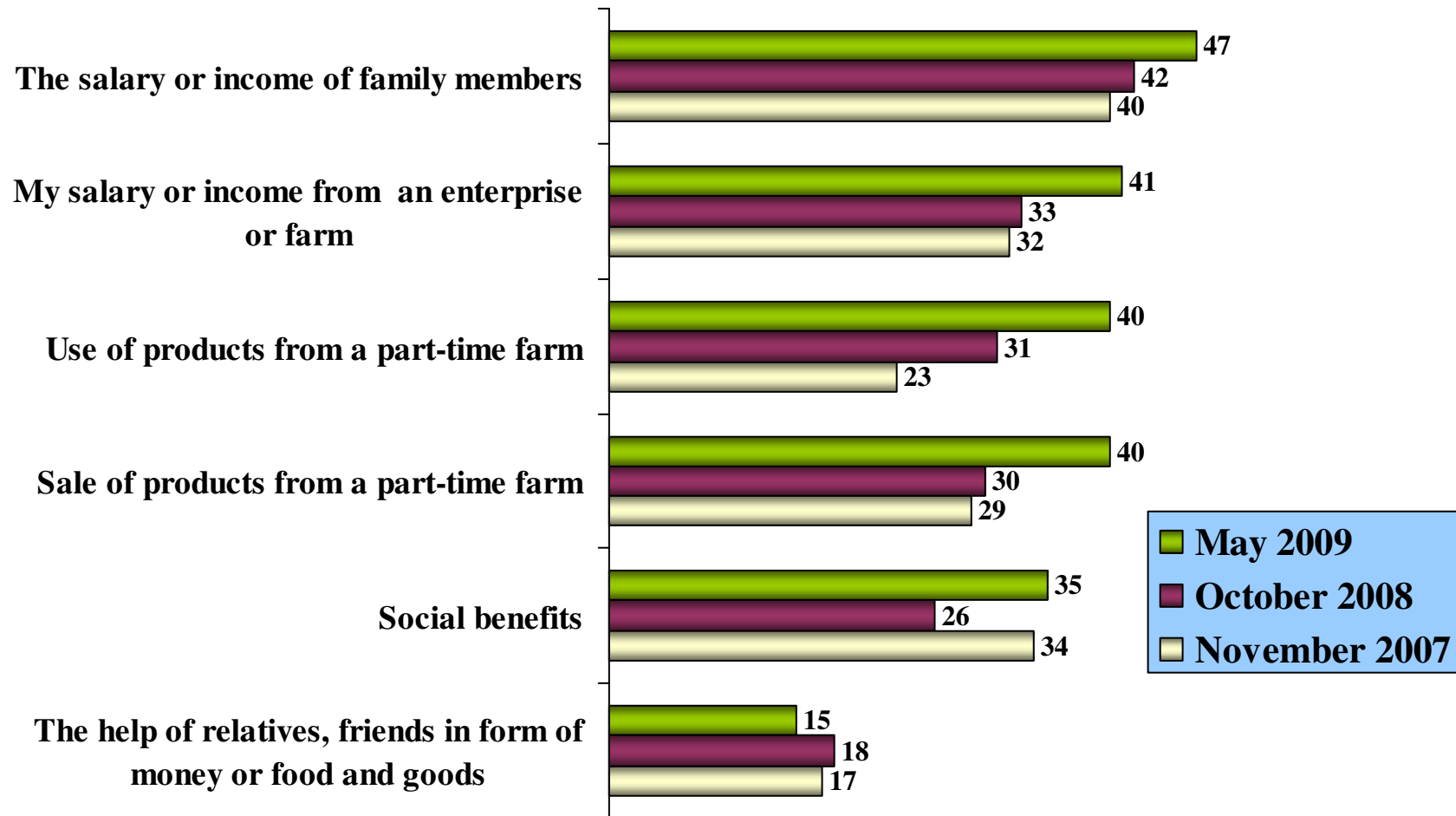
VALUES

In your opinion, to what extent are the following forms of protest acceptable for the population?

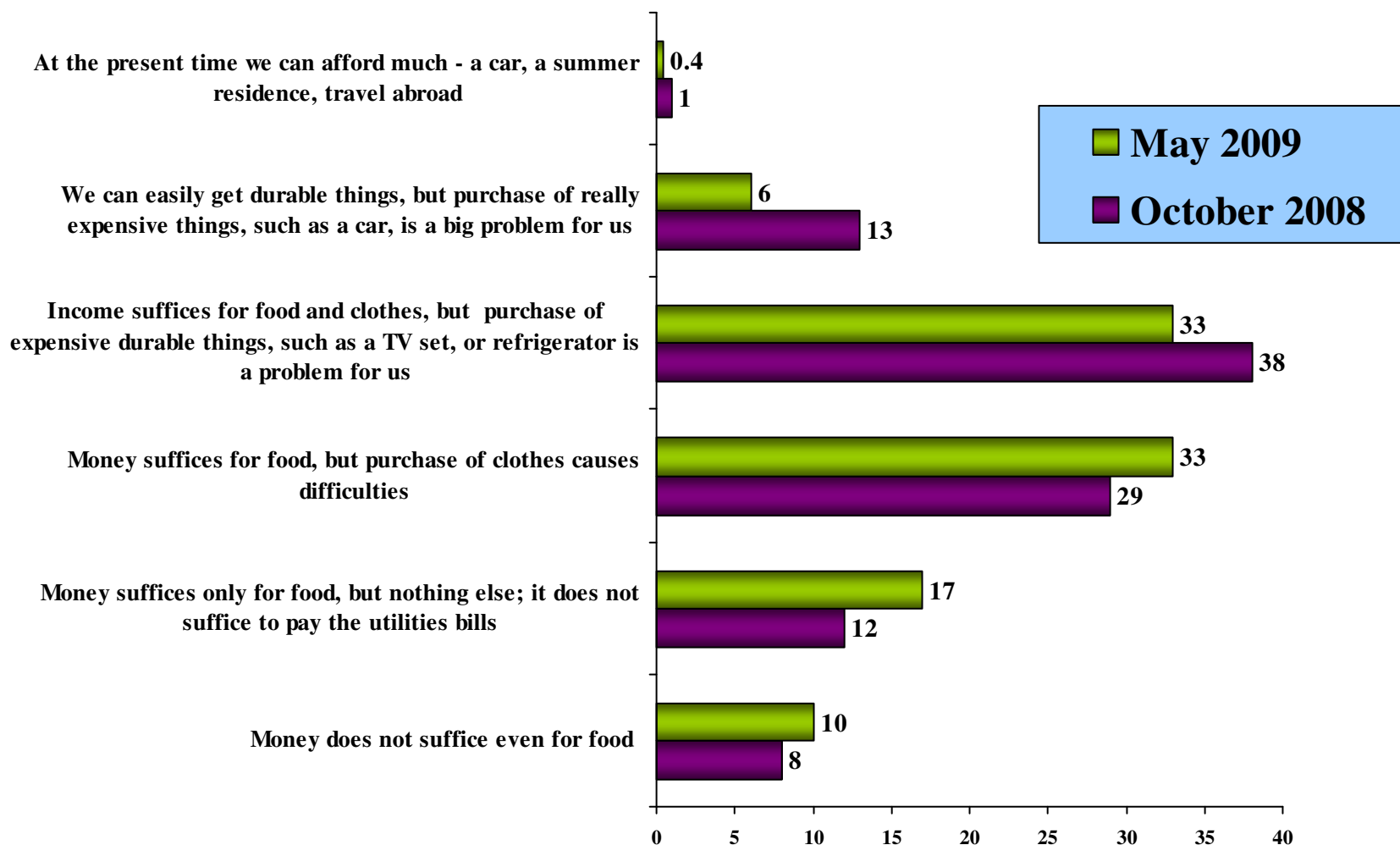


MEANS OF SUBSISTENCE

What are your family's basic sources of living?

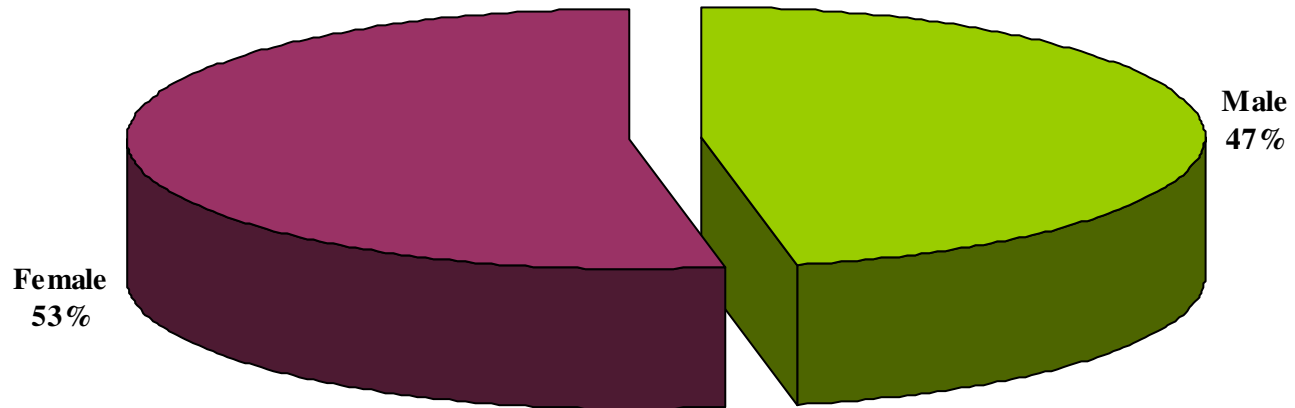


Estimation of financial position of households

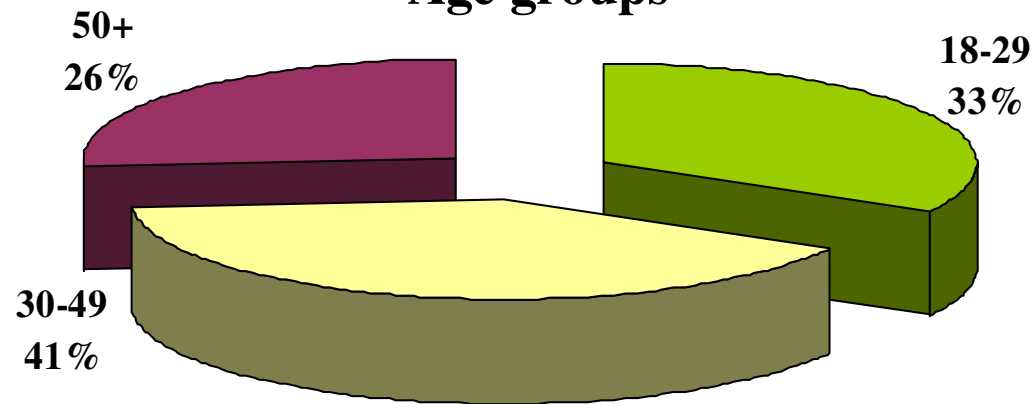


SOCIO-DEMOGRAPHICS

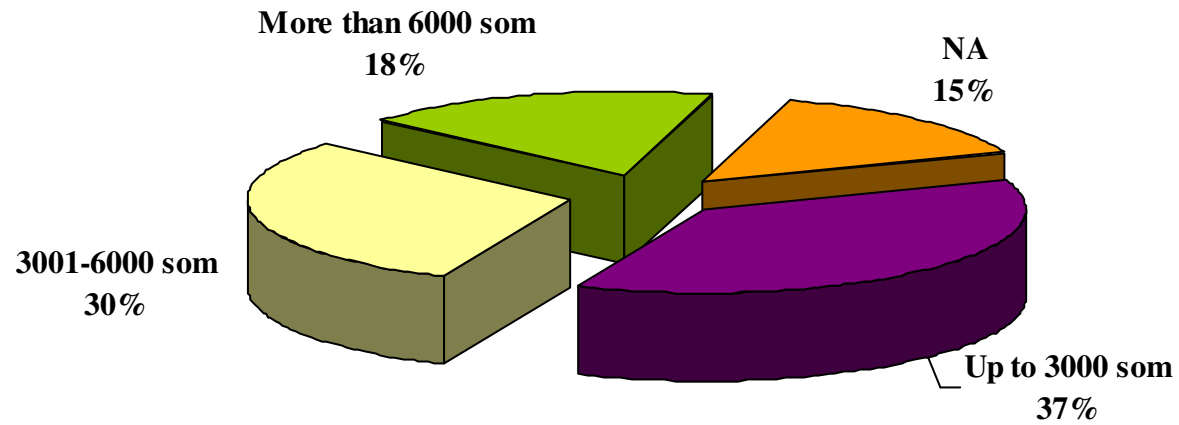
Gender



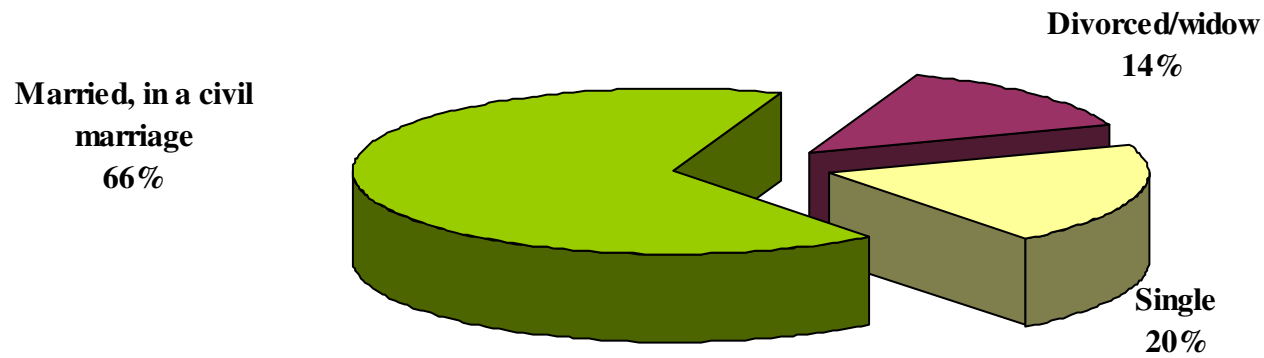
Age groups



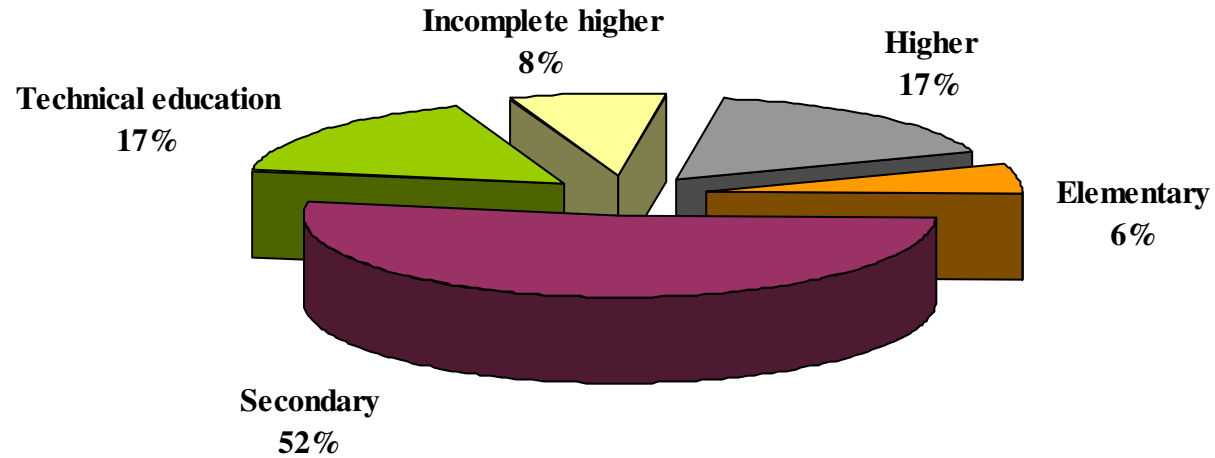
Household income



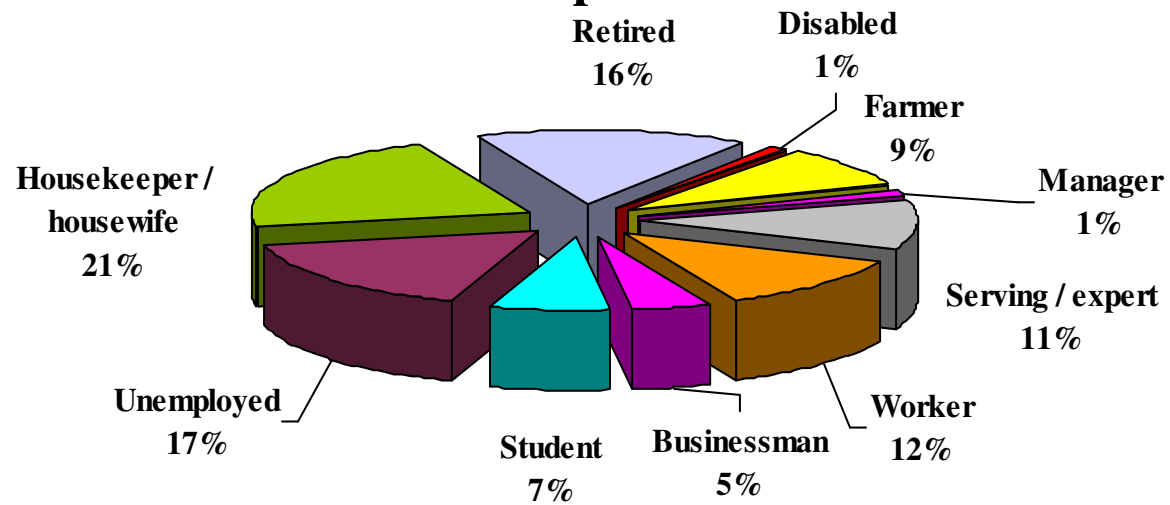
Marital status



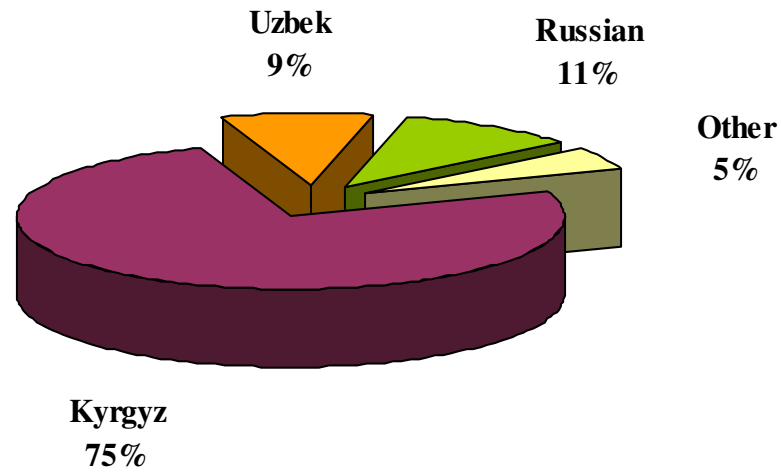
Education



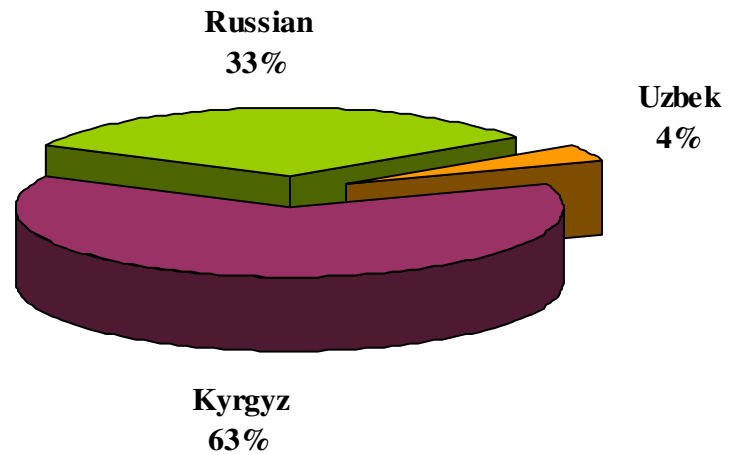
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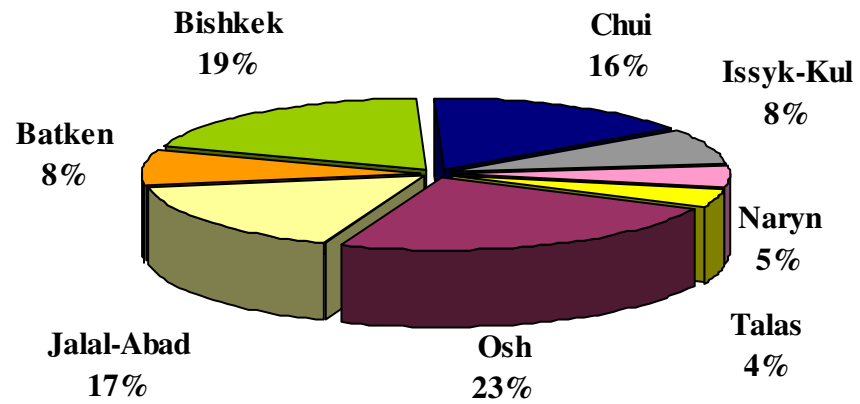
Nationality



Language of the interview



Regions



Size of settlement

