



Kyrgyzstan National Opinion Poll

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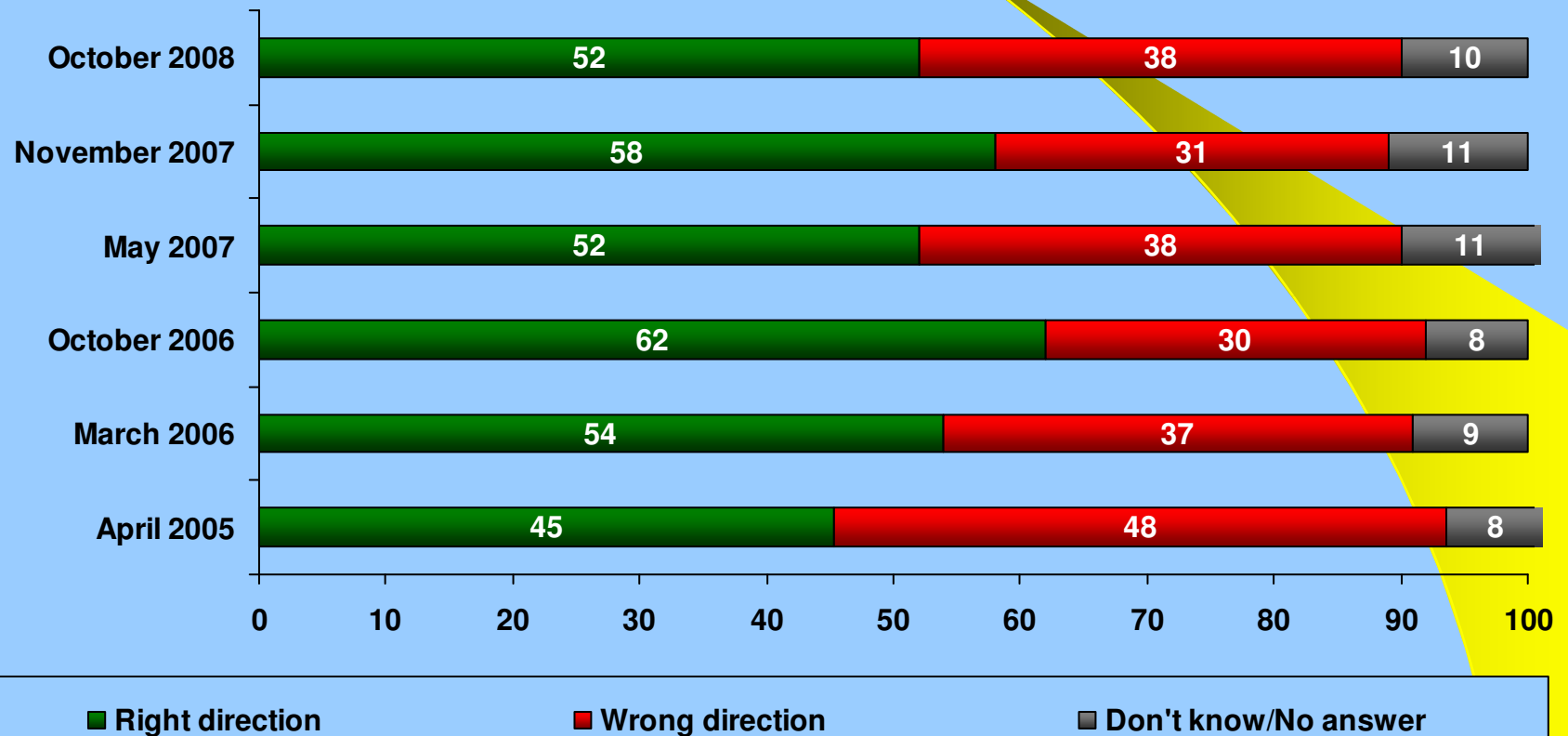


INFORMATION ABOUT THE SURVEY

- **This national representative survey was conducted on October 8-26, 2008, by SIAR-Bishkek for Baltic Surveys/Gallup on behalf of the International Republican Institute.**
- **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 the next birthday rule to select a respondent from within a household.**
- **Data is collected through face-to-face interviews with the respondents.**
- **The response rate for the poll was 66 percent.**
- **Poll was conducted nationwide, including the capital and other major regional centers.**
- **The margin of error does not exceed three percent.**
- **Due to rounding, some charts may not add to 100 percent.**

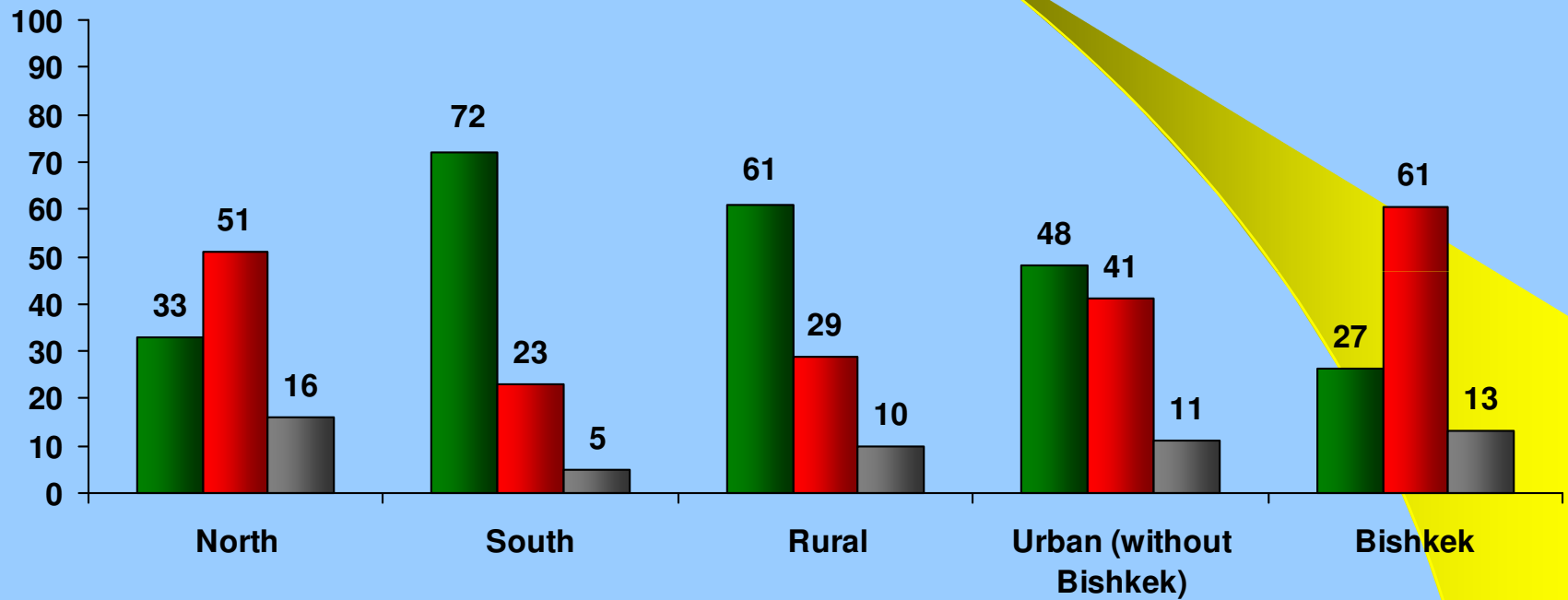
MOOD OF THE COUNTRY

Generally speaking, do you think Kyrgyzstan is developing in the...?



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(by region)

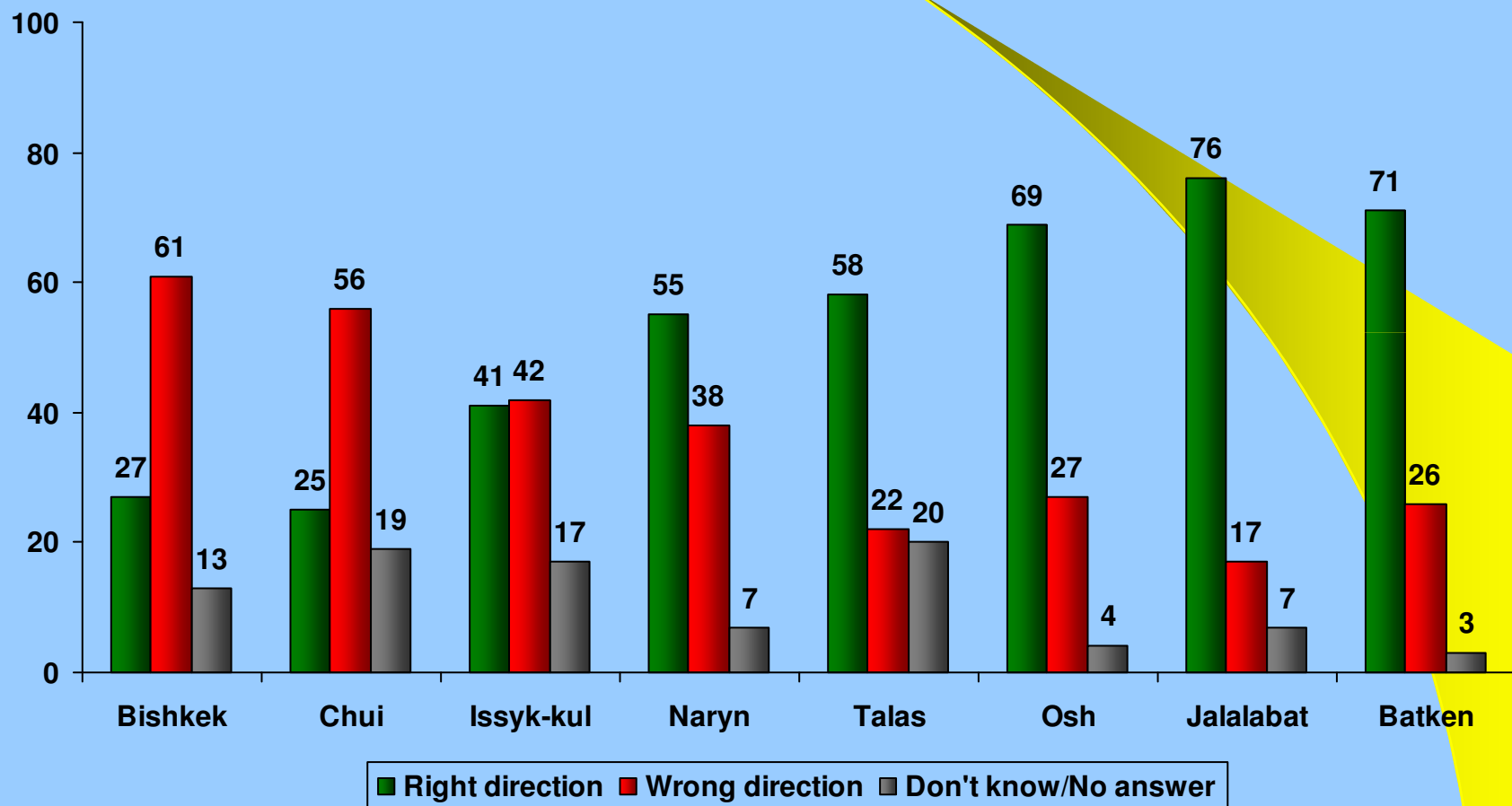


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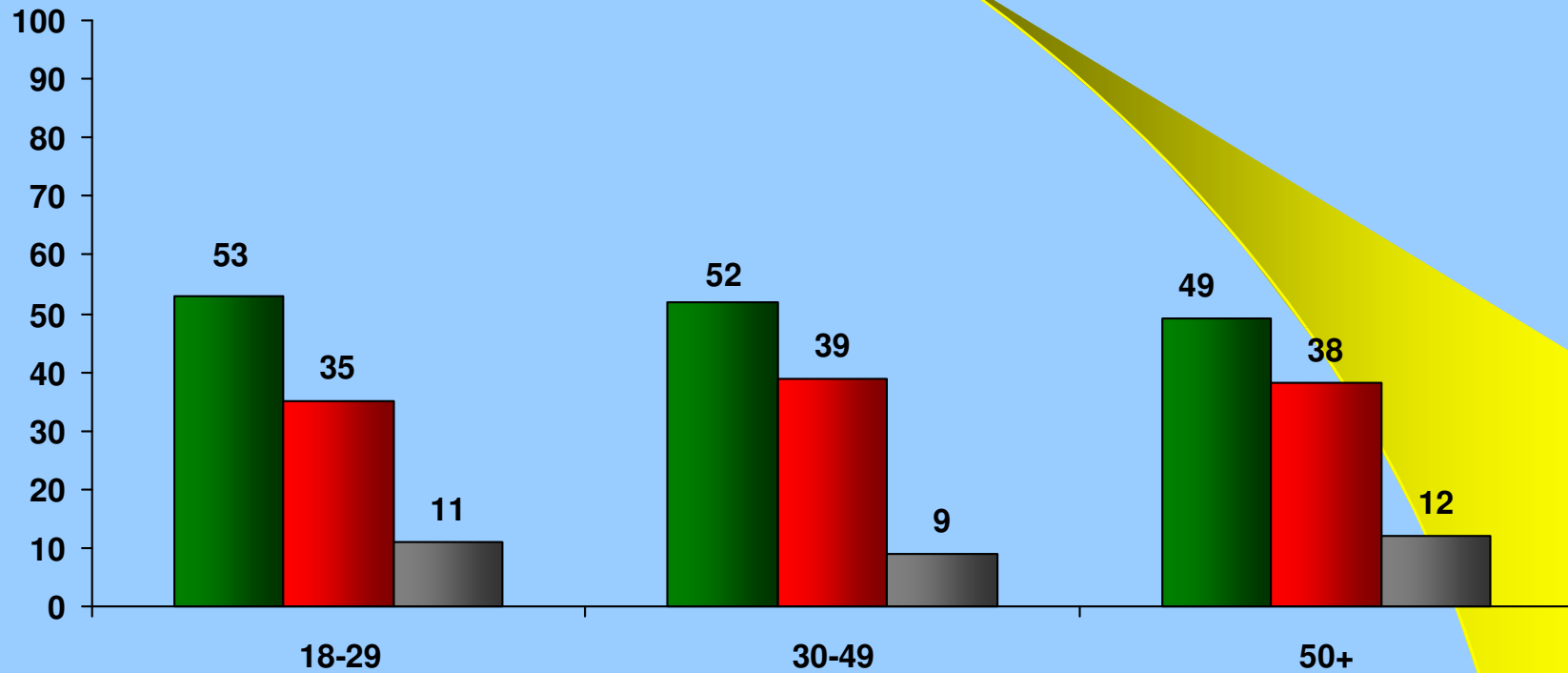
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Generally speaking, do you think Kyrgyzstan is developing in the...? (by region)



Generally speaking, do you think Kyrgyzstan is developing in the...?

(by age)

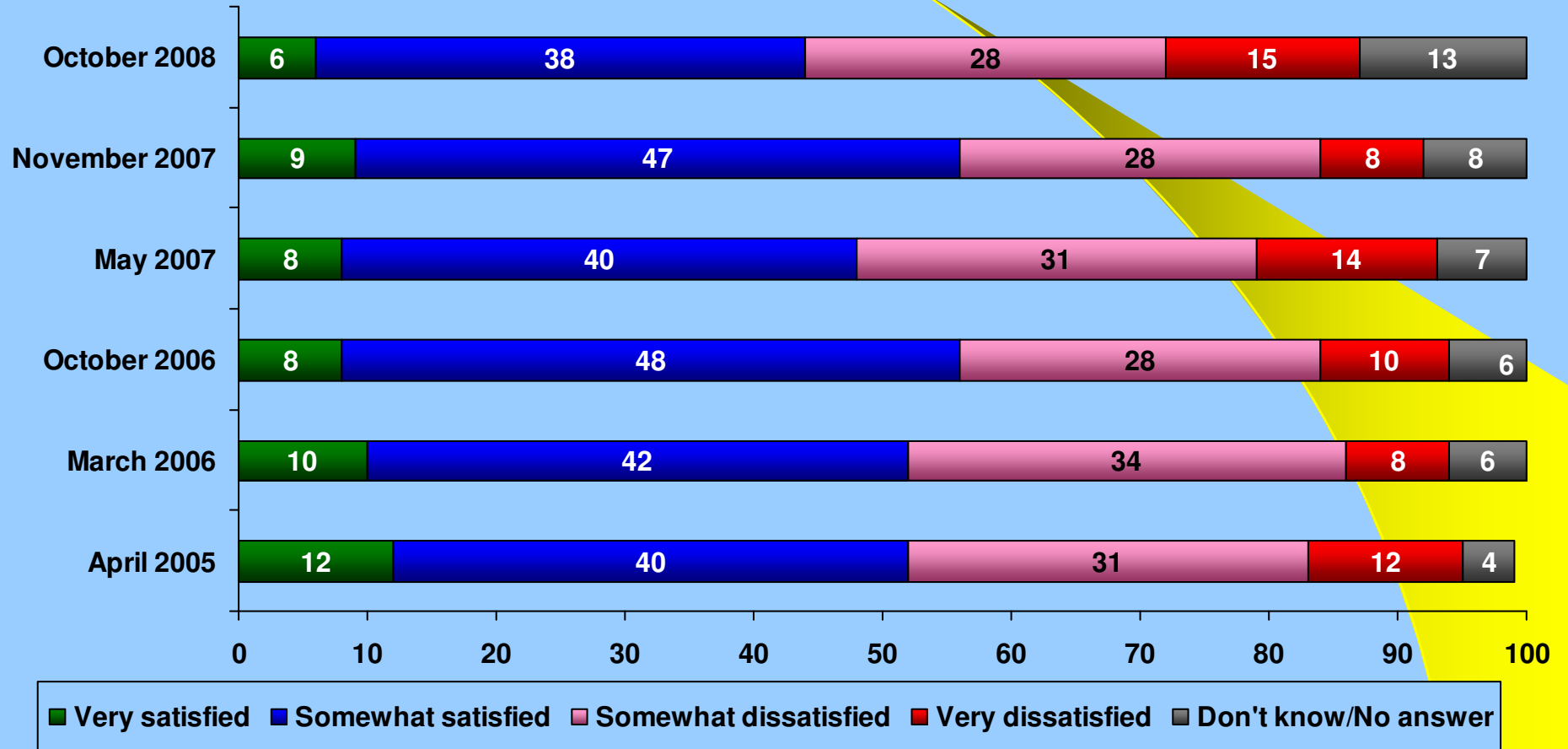


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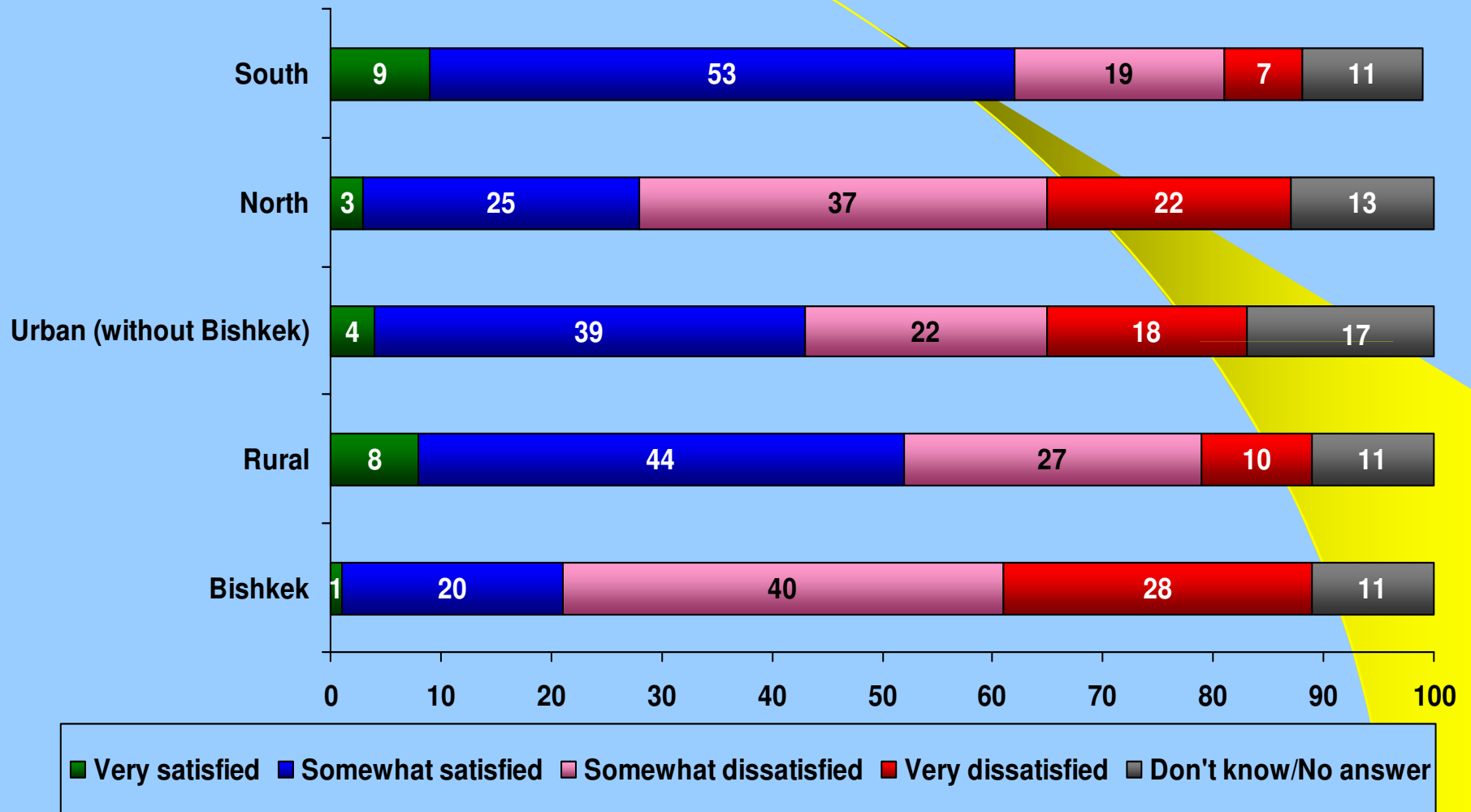
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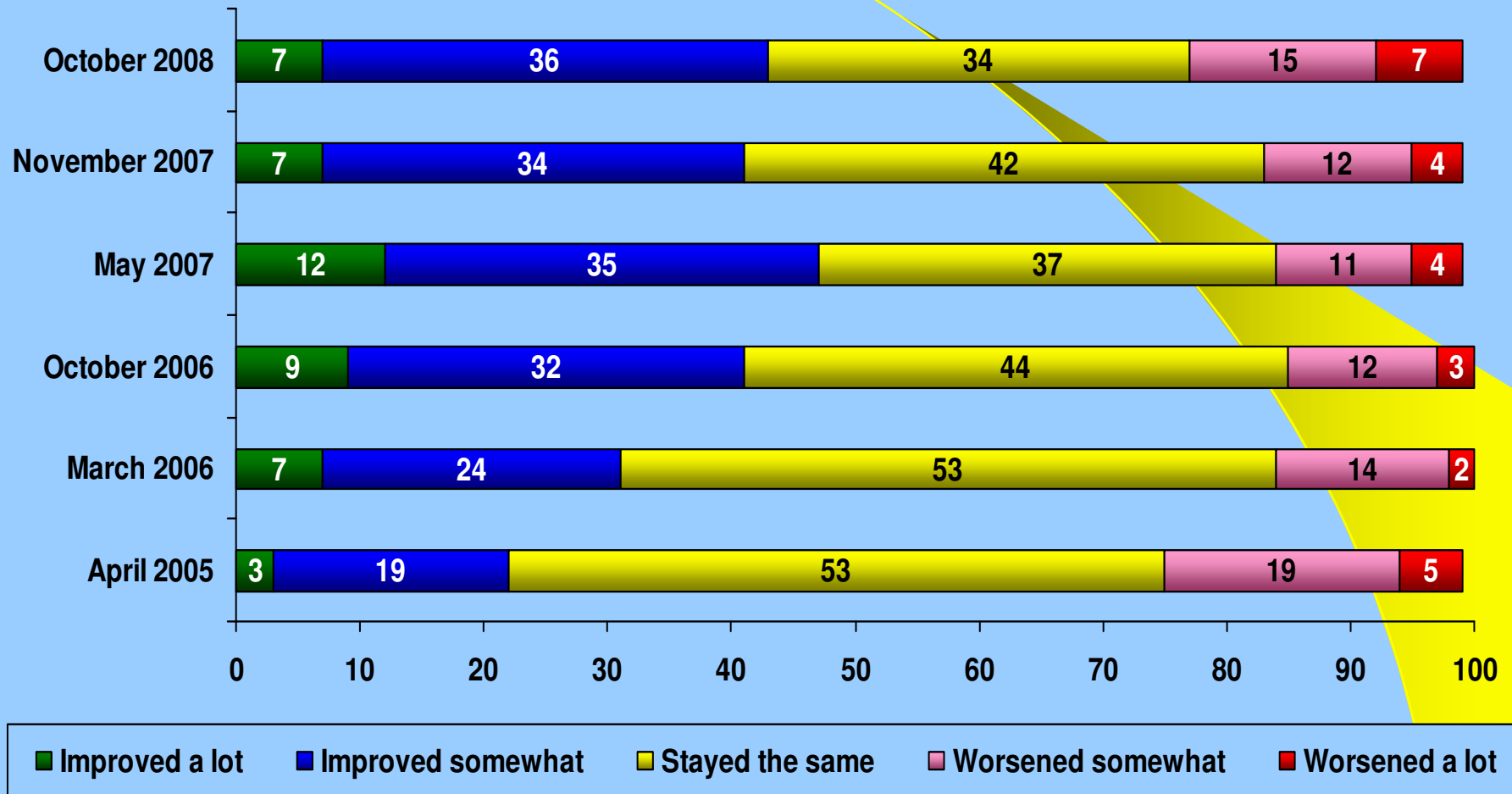
How satisfied are you with the way democracy is developing in Kyrgyzstan?



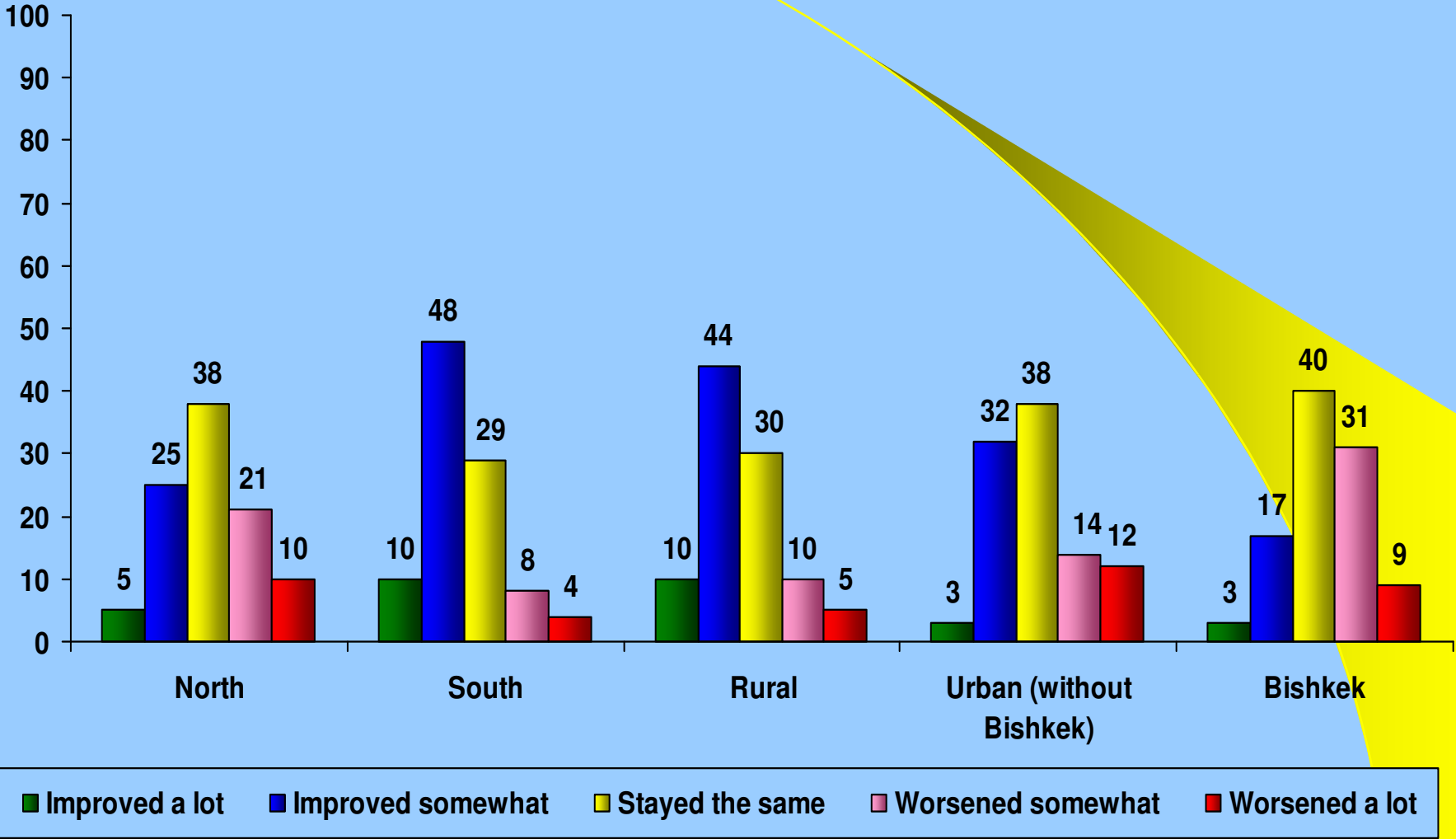
How satisfied are you with the way democracy is developing in Kyrgyzstan? (by area)



Over the last 12 months, has the financial situation of your household...?



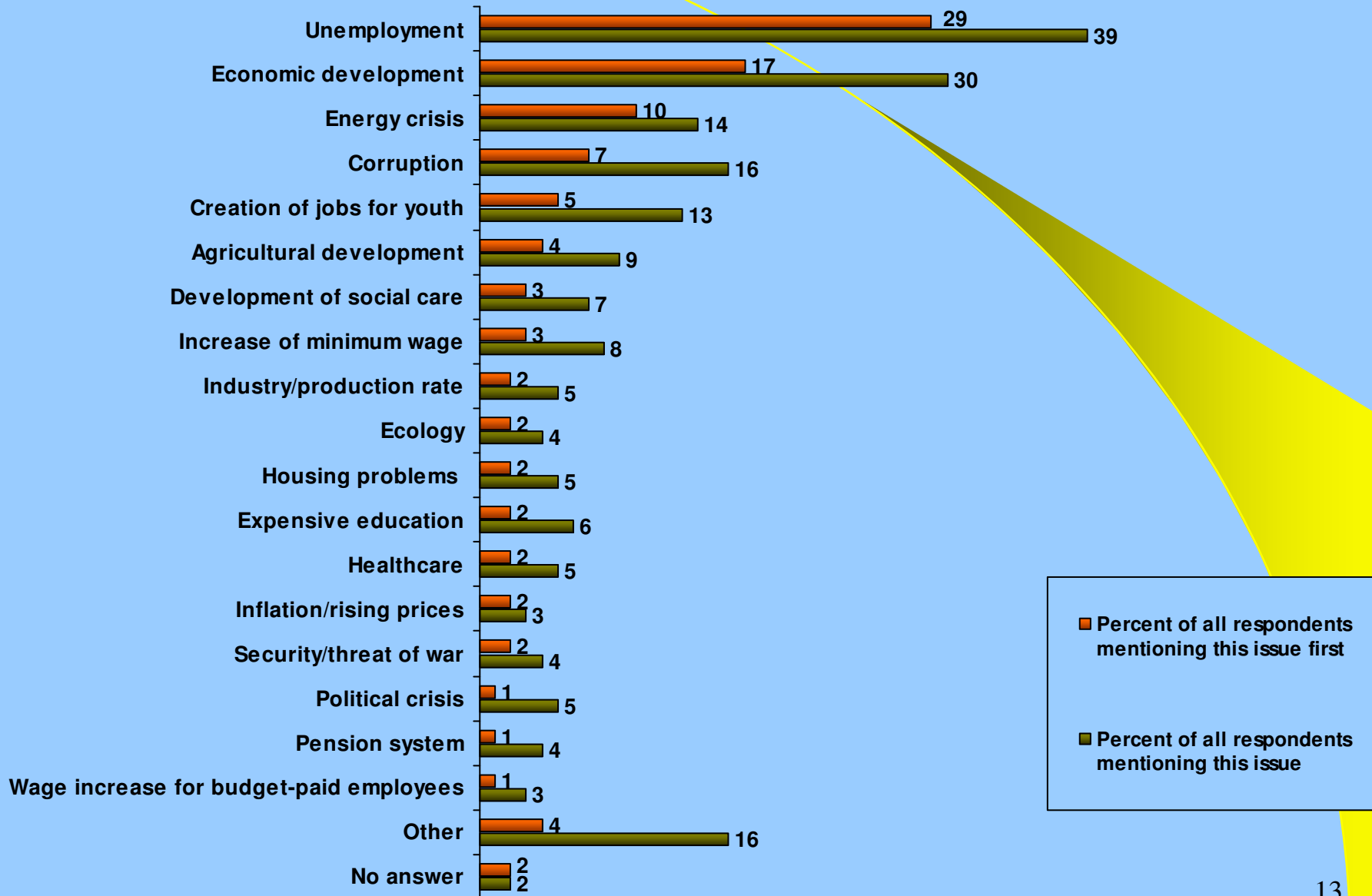
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ISSUES

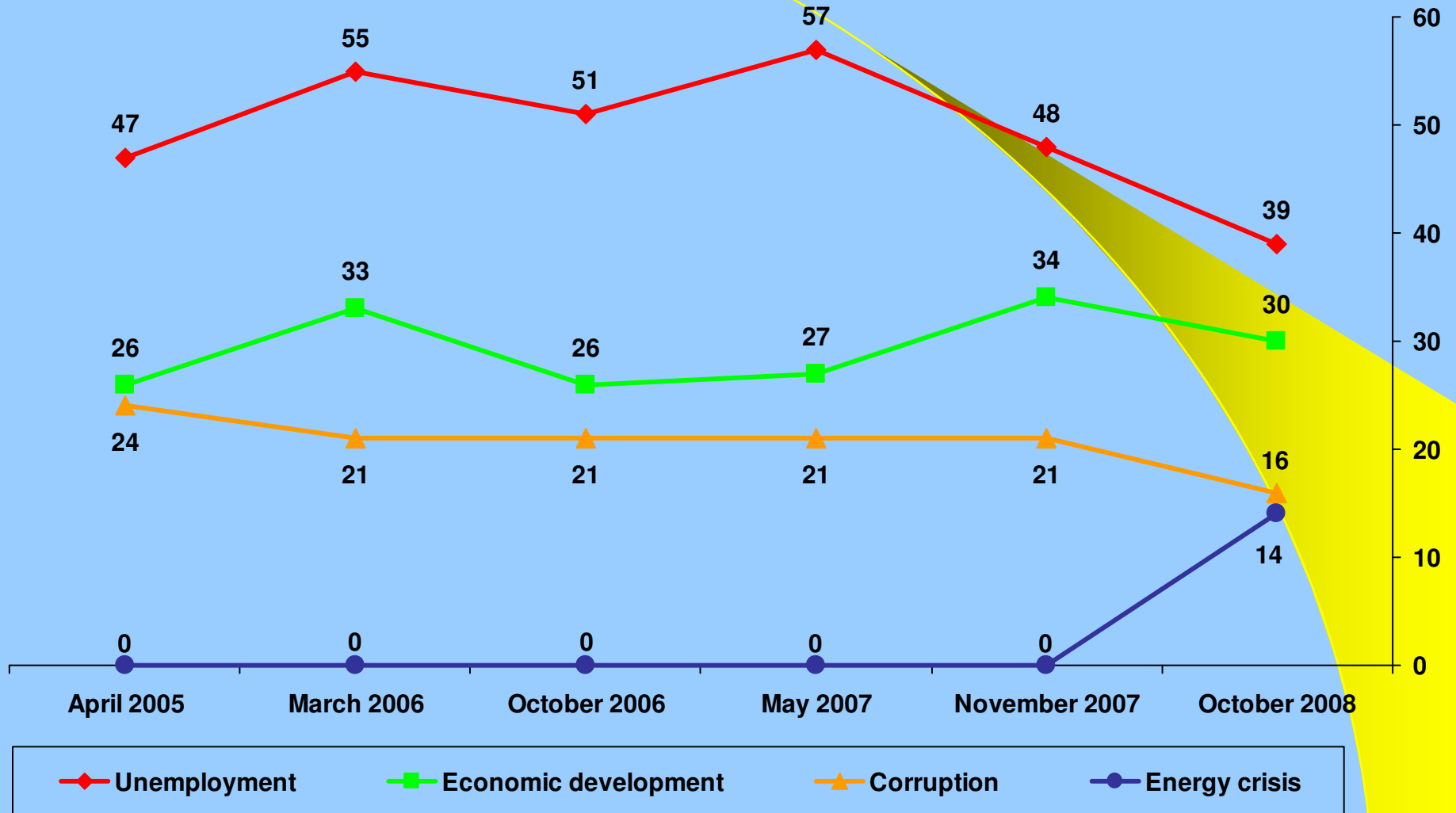
What are the most important issues Kyrgyzstan is facing?

(two answers allowed)



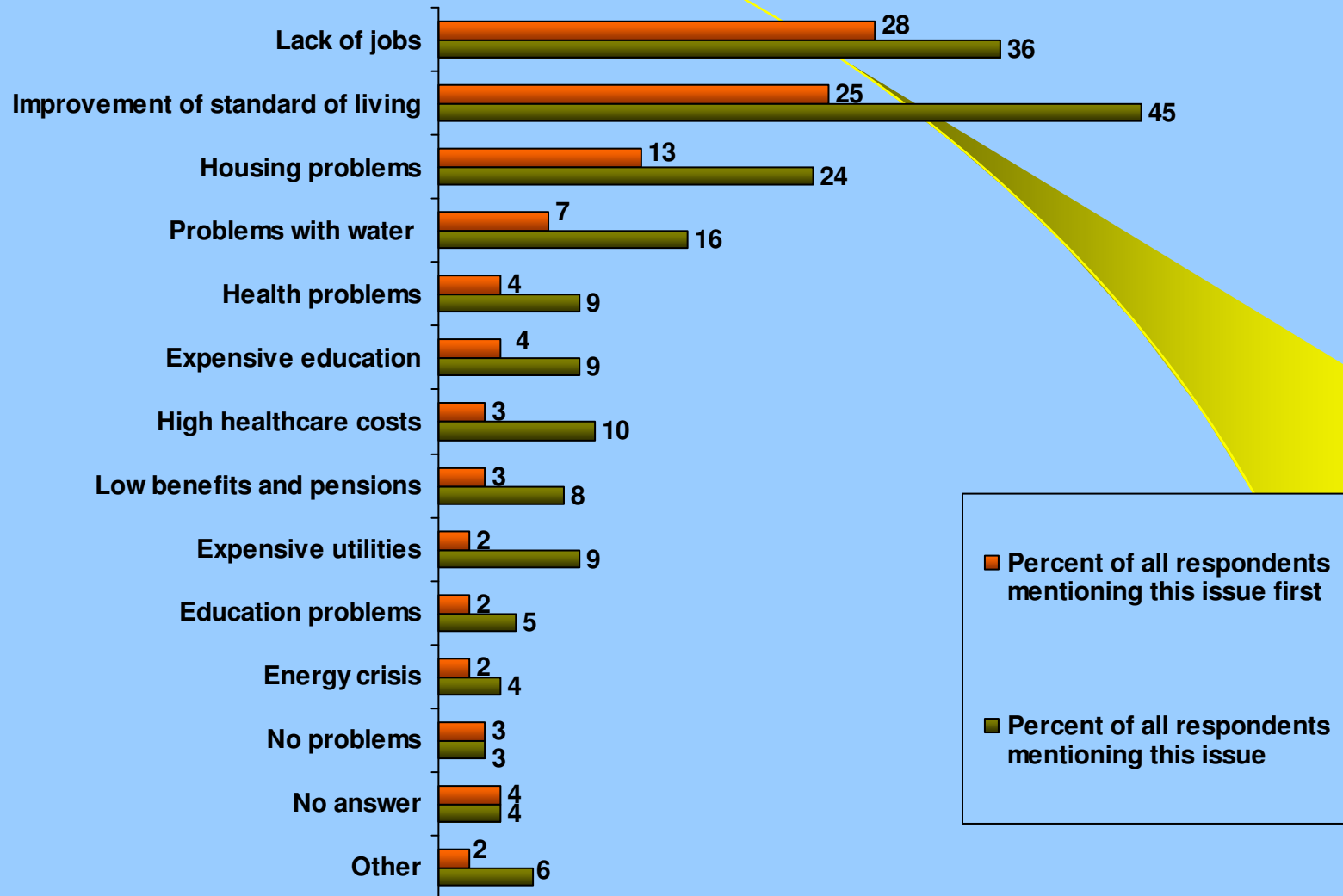
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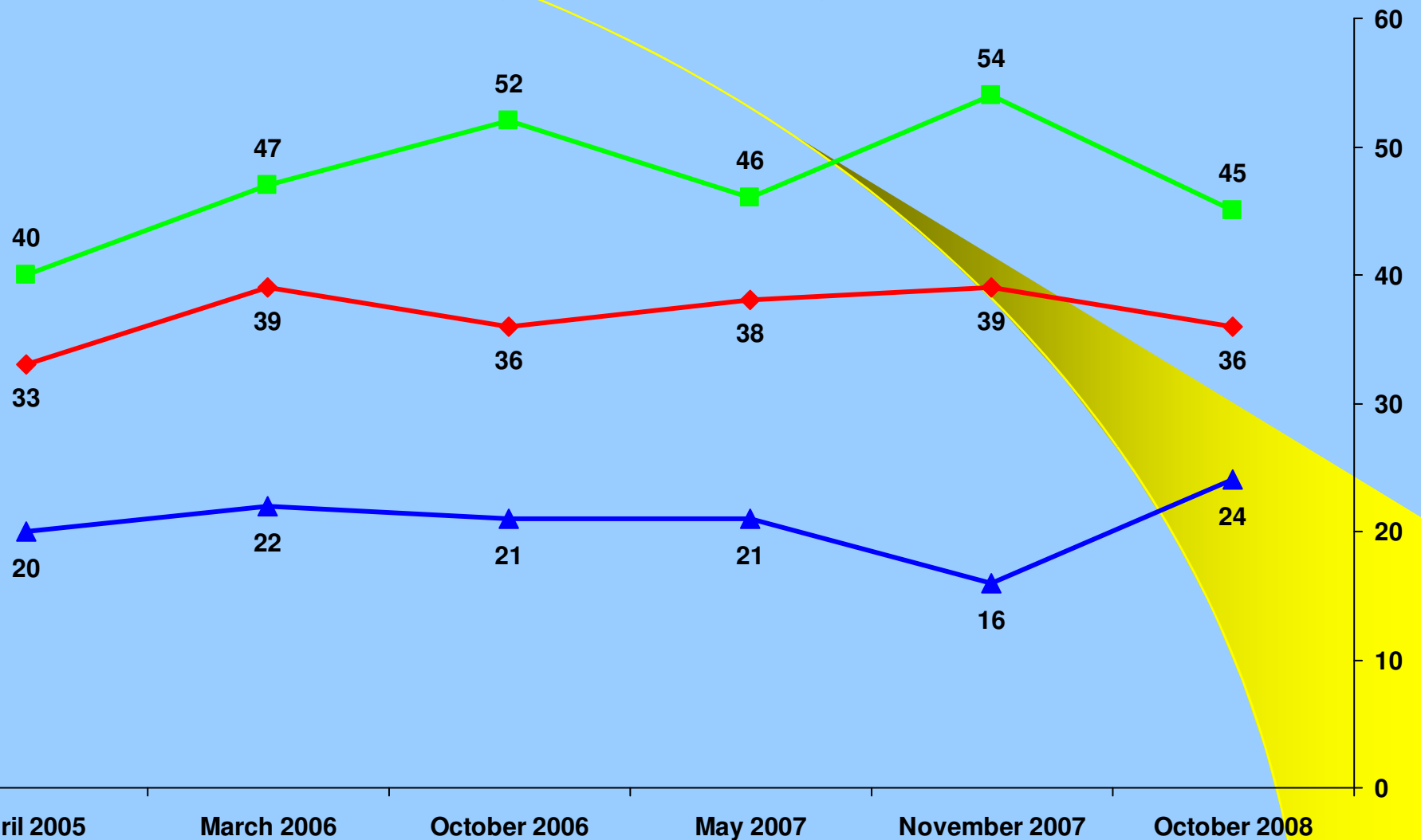
What are the most important issues households are facing?

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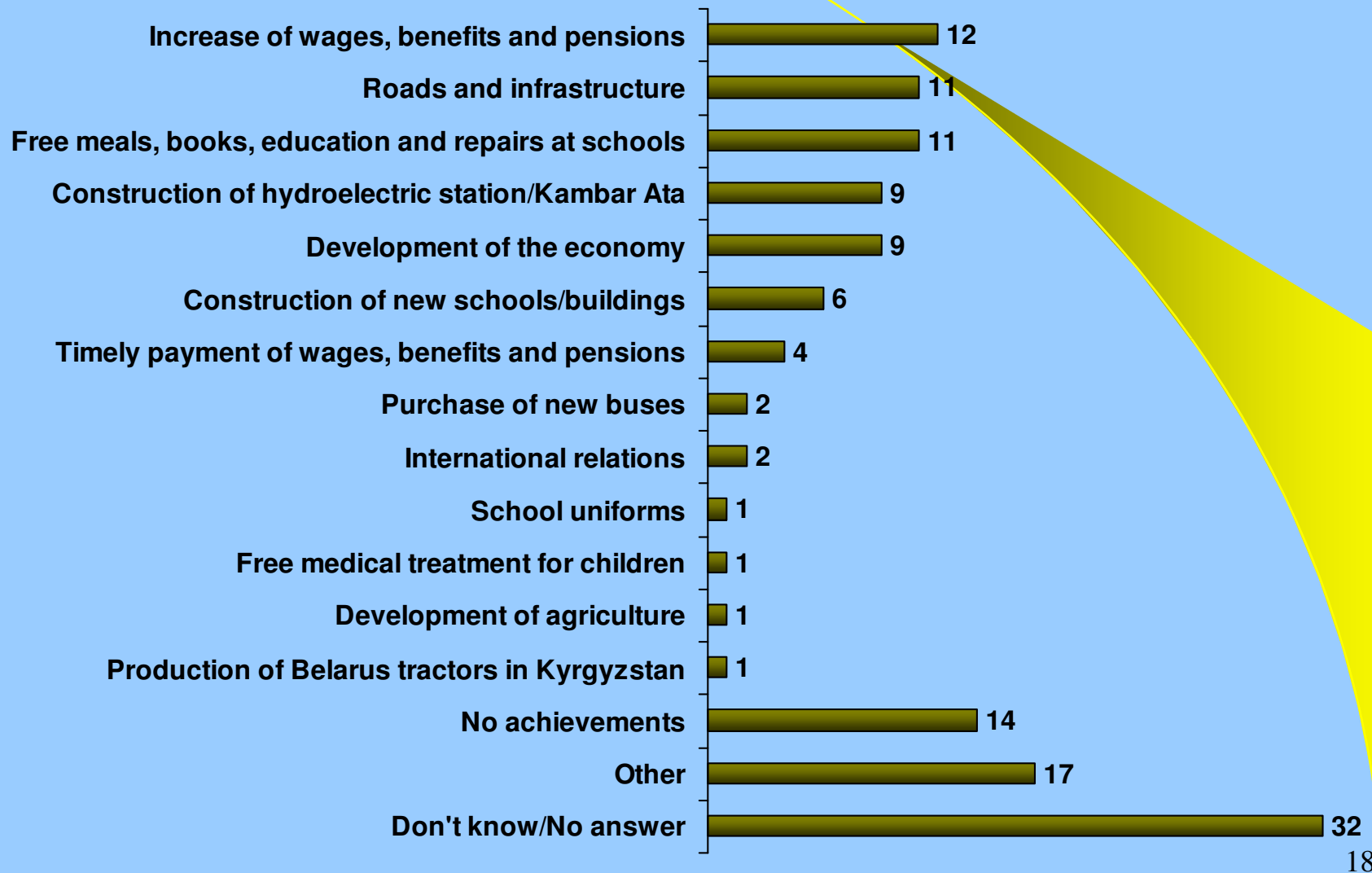
◆ Lack of jobs ■ Improvement of standard of living ▲ Housing problems

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POLITICS

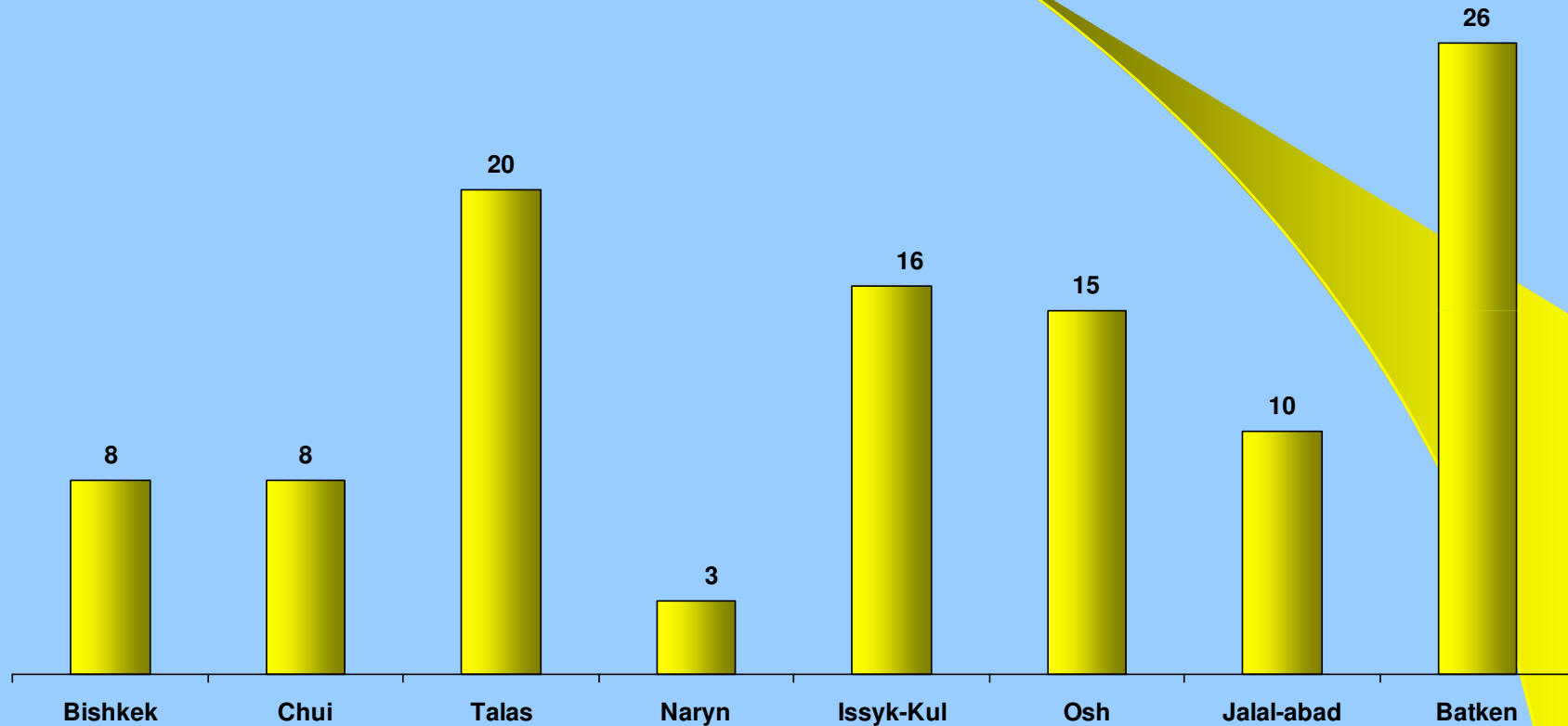
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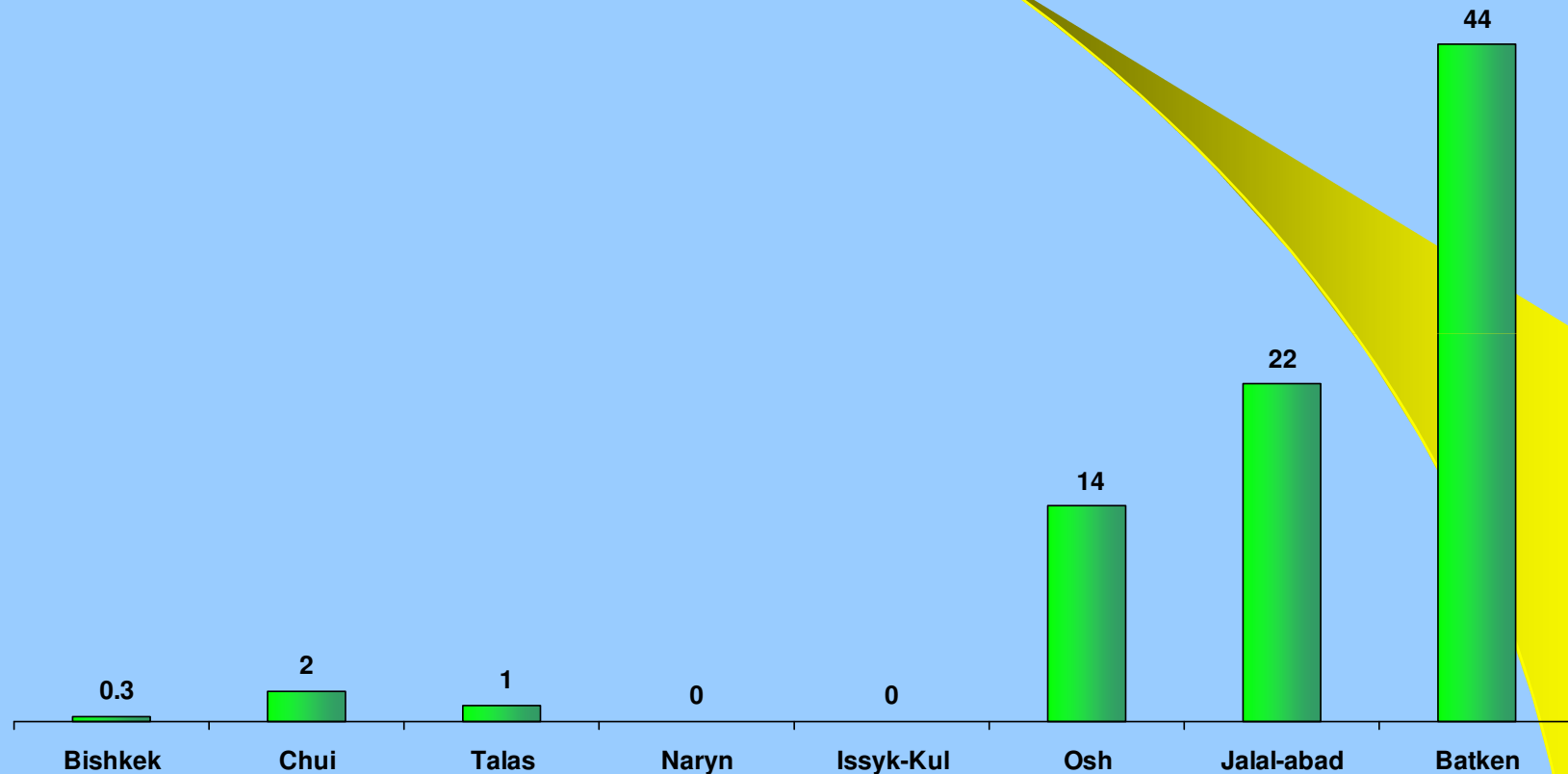
(Respondents who said increase of wages, benefits and pensions;
N=204; by region)



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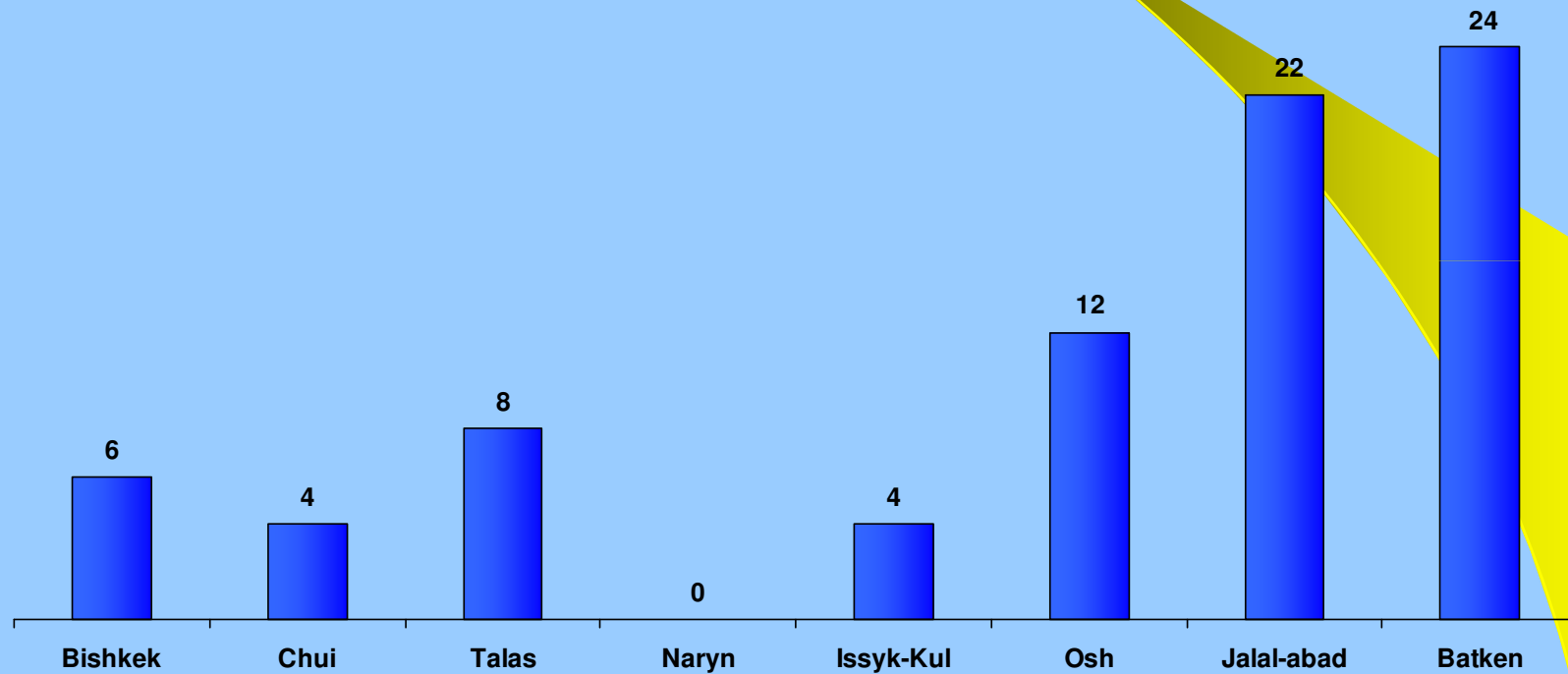
(Respondents who said free meals, books, education and repairs at schools; N=184; by region)



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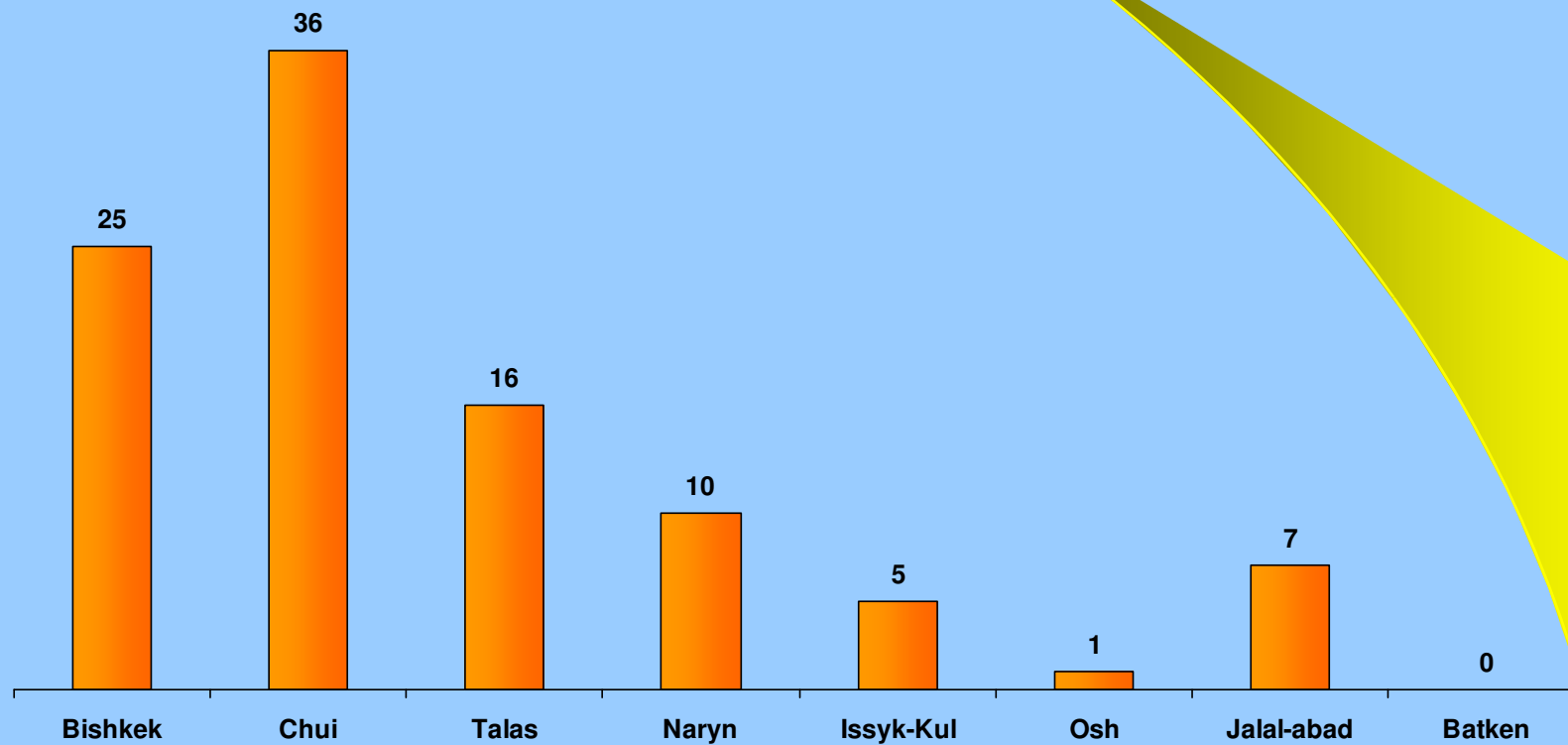
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(Respondents who said roads and infrastructure; N=183; by region)



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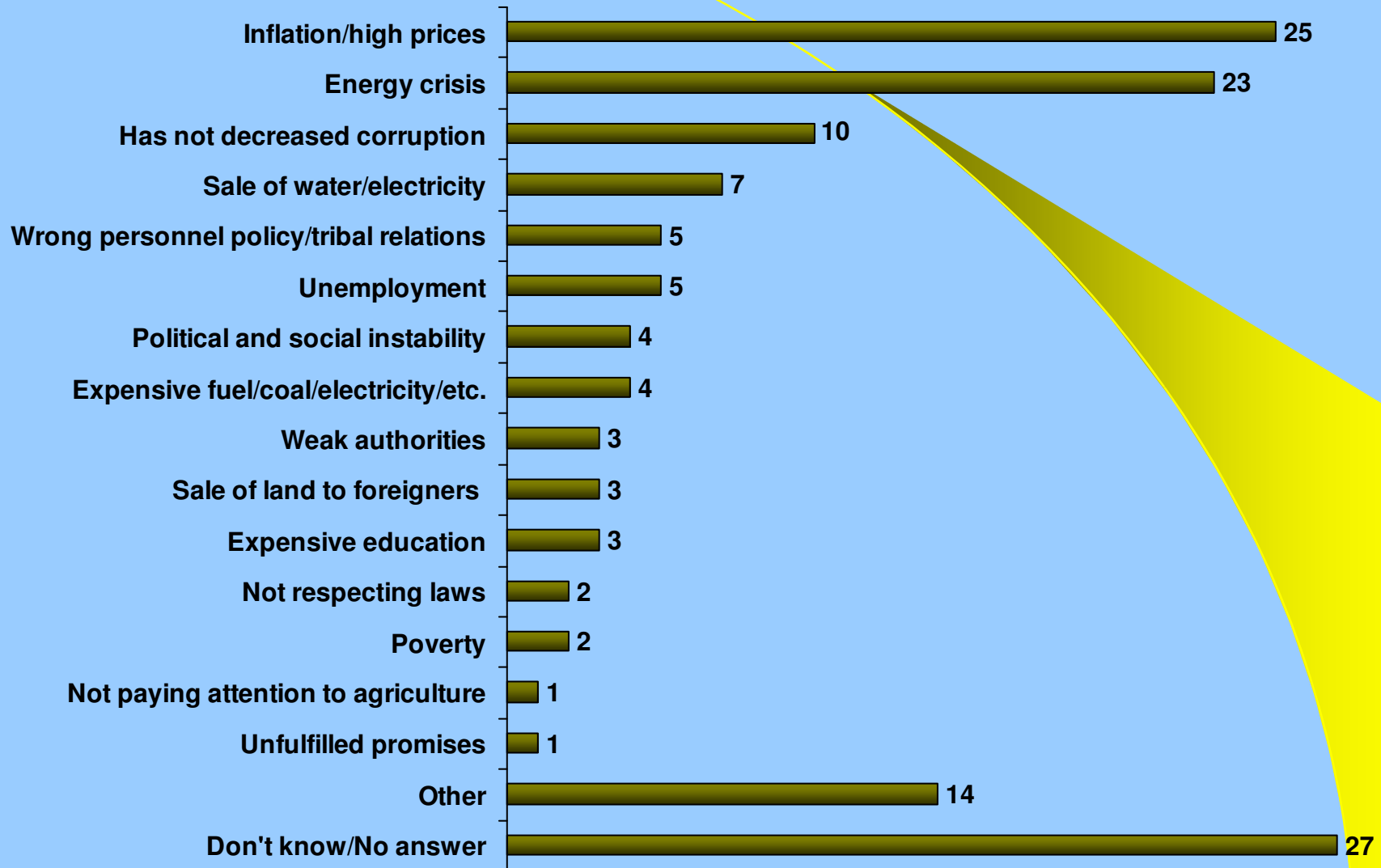
(Respondents who said there are no achievements; N=235; by region)



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What are the biggest mistakes of the government?

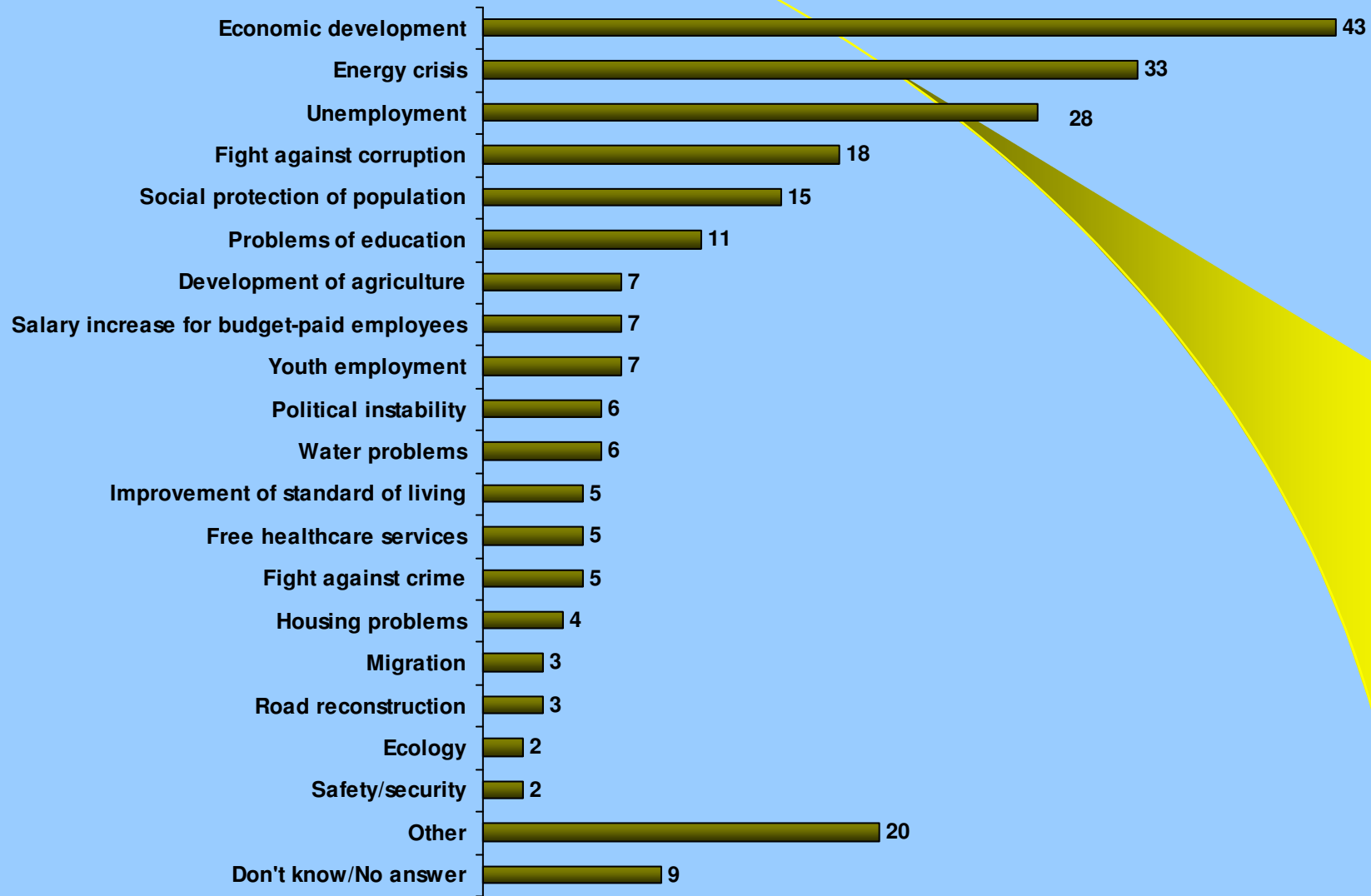
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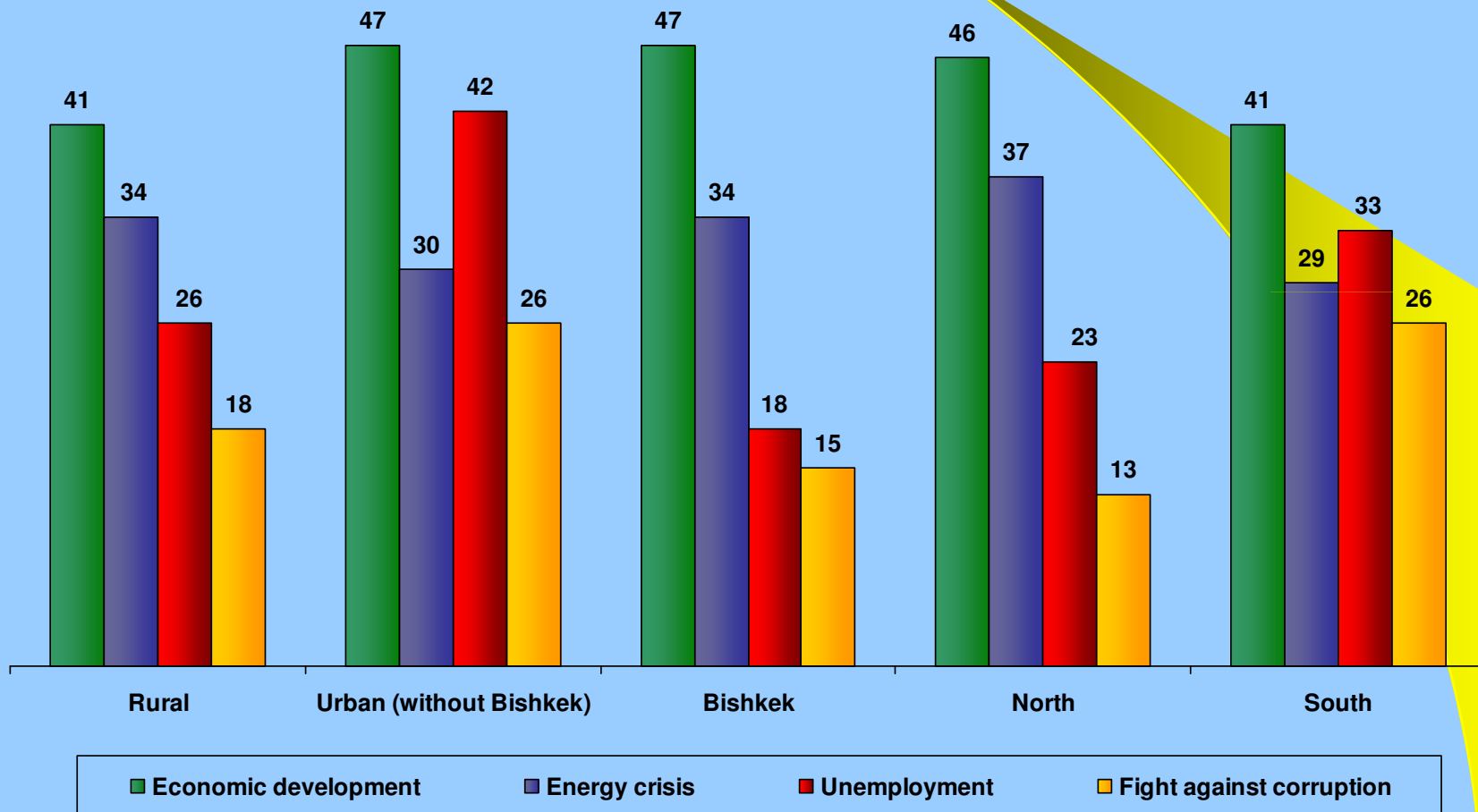
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(three answers allowed)

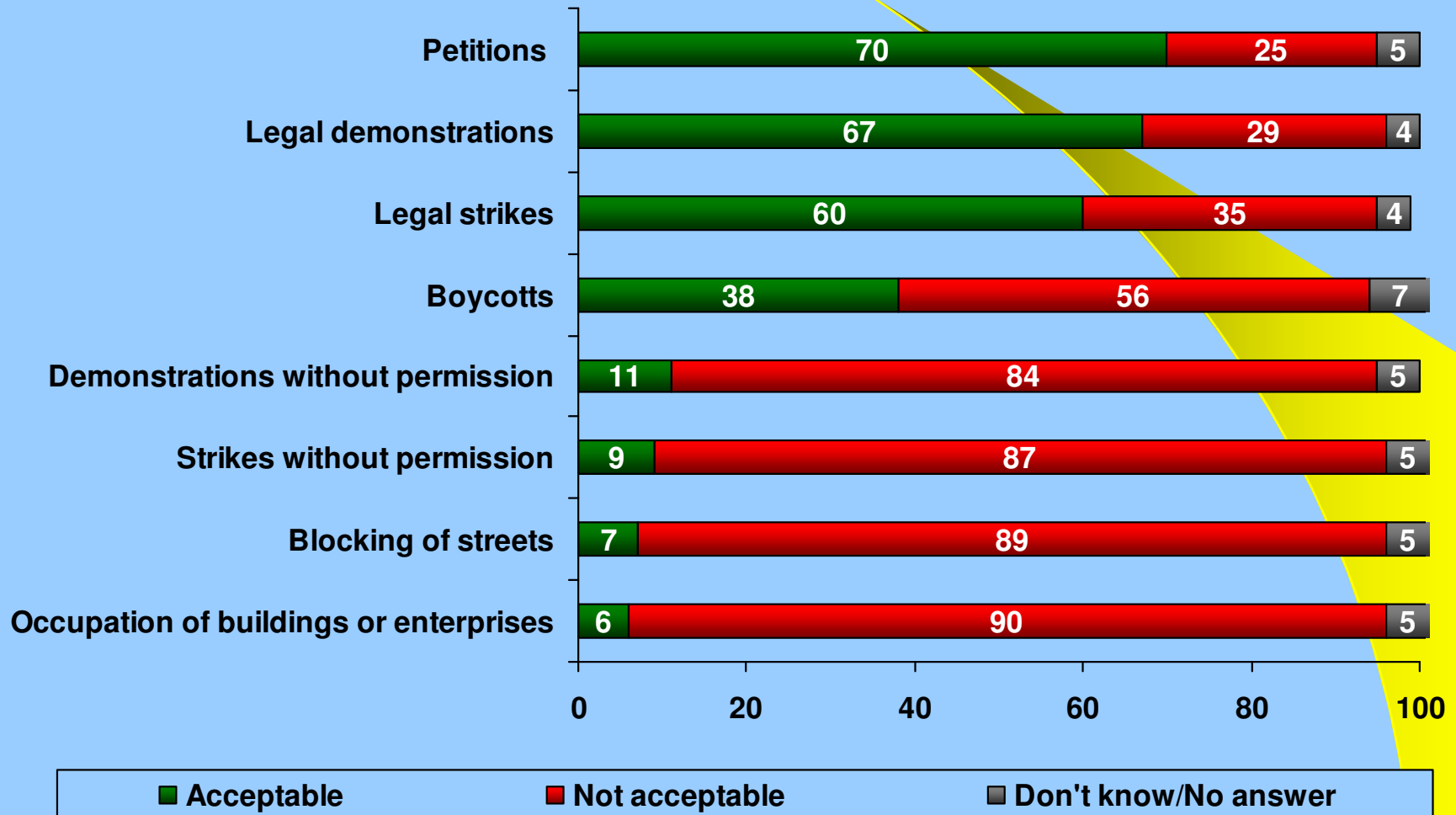


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What are the most important problems/issues the government should pay attention to? (by area)

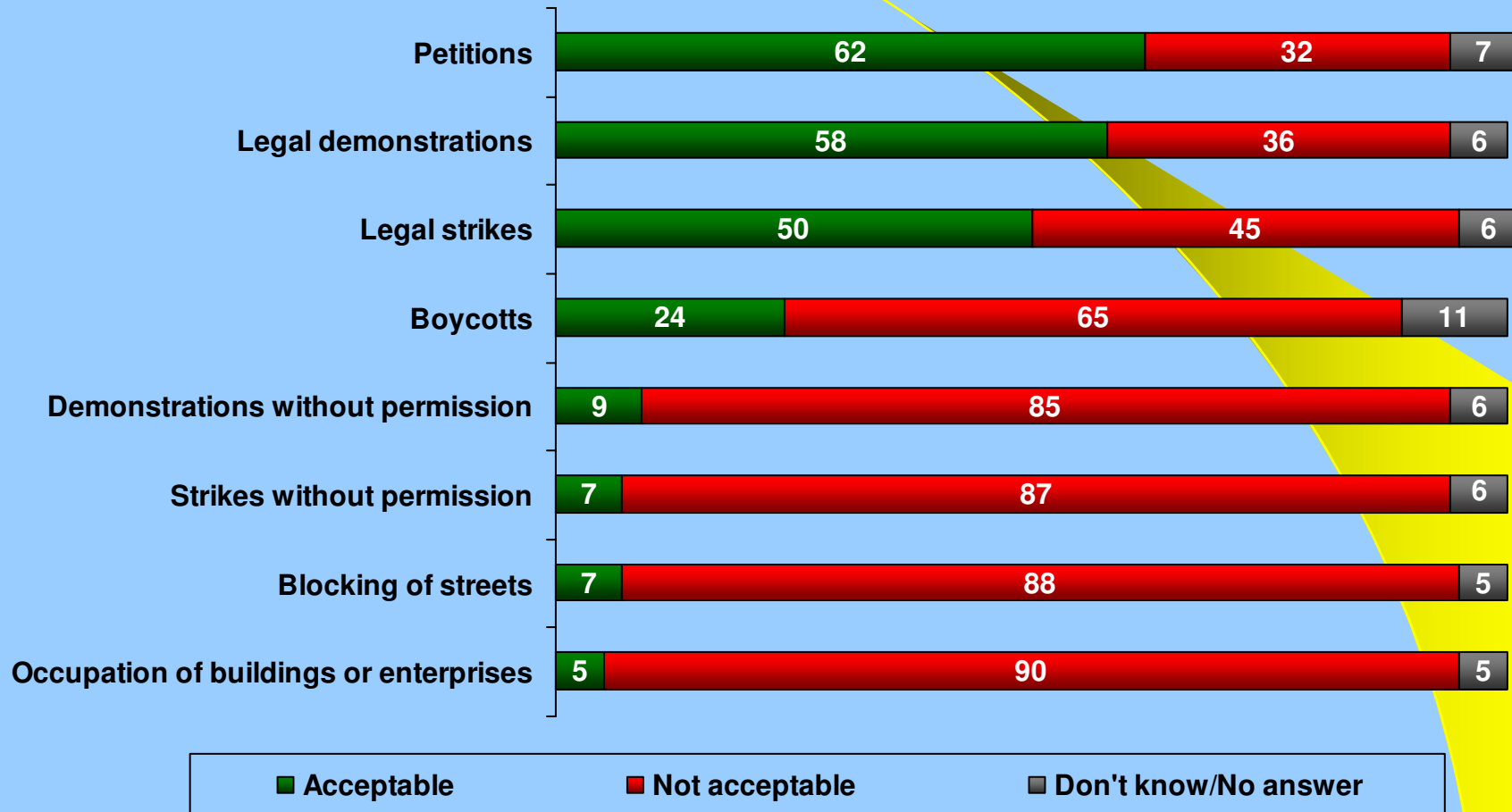


Which of the following forms of social protest do you consider acceptable?



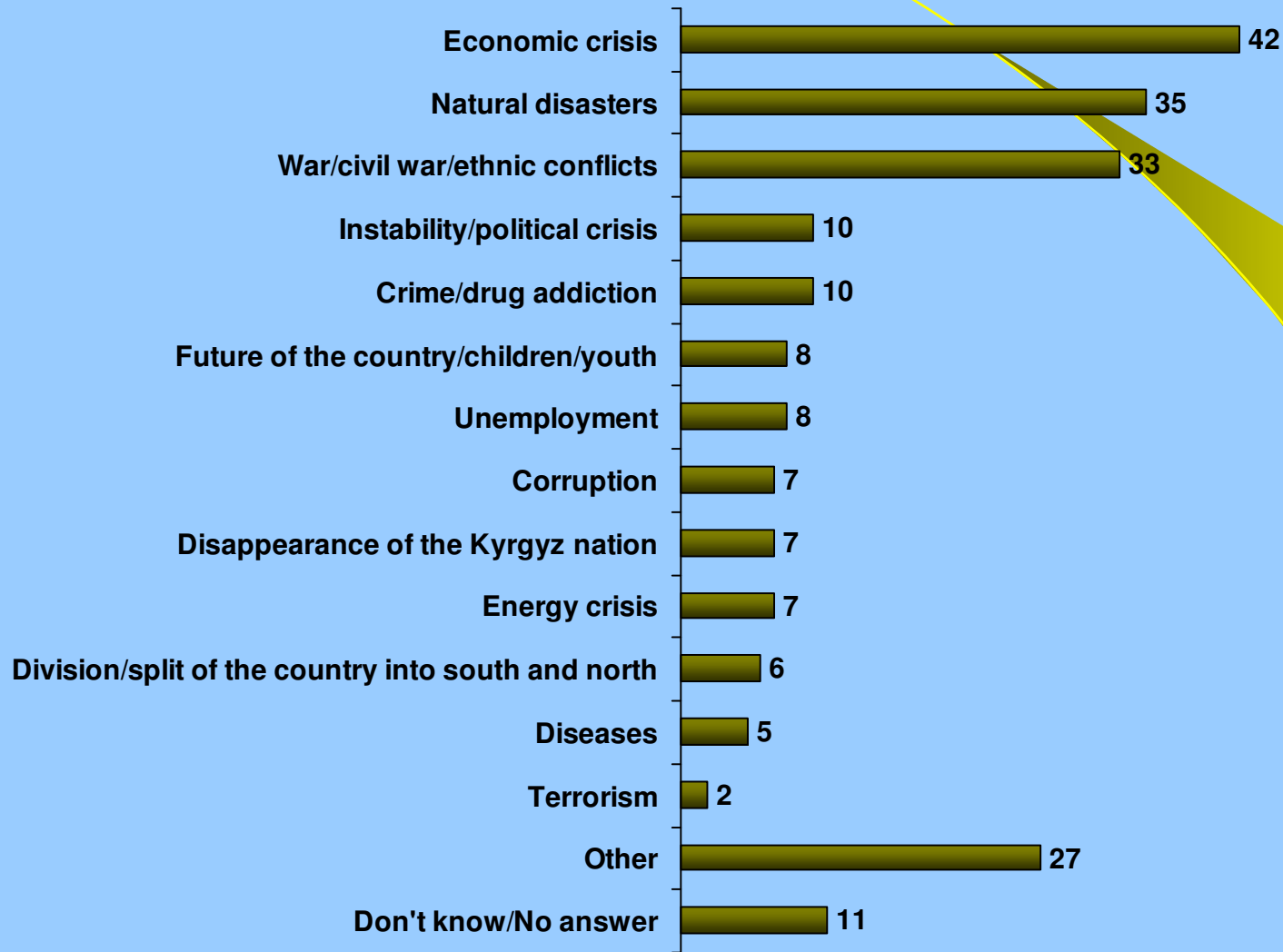
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May 2007



What do you fear the most?

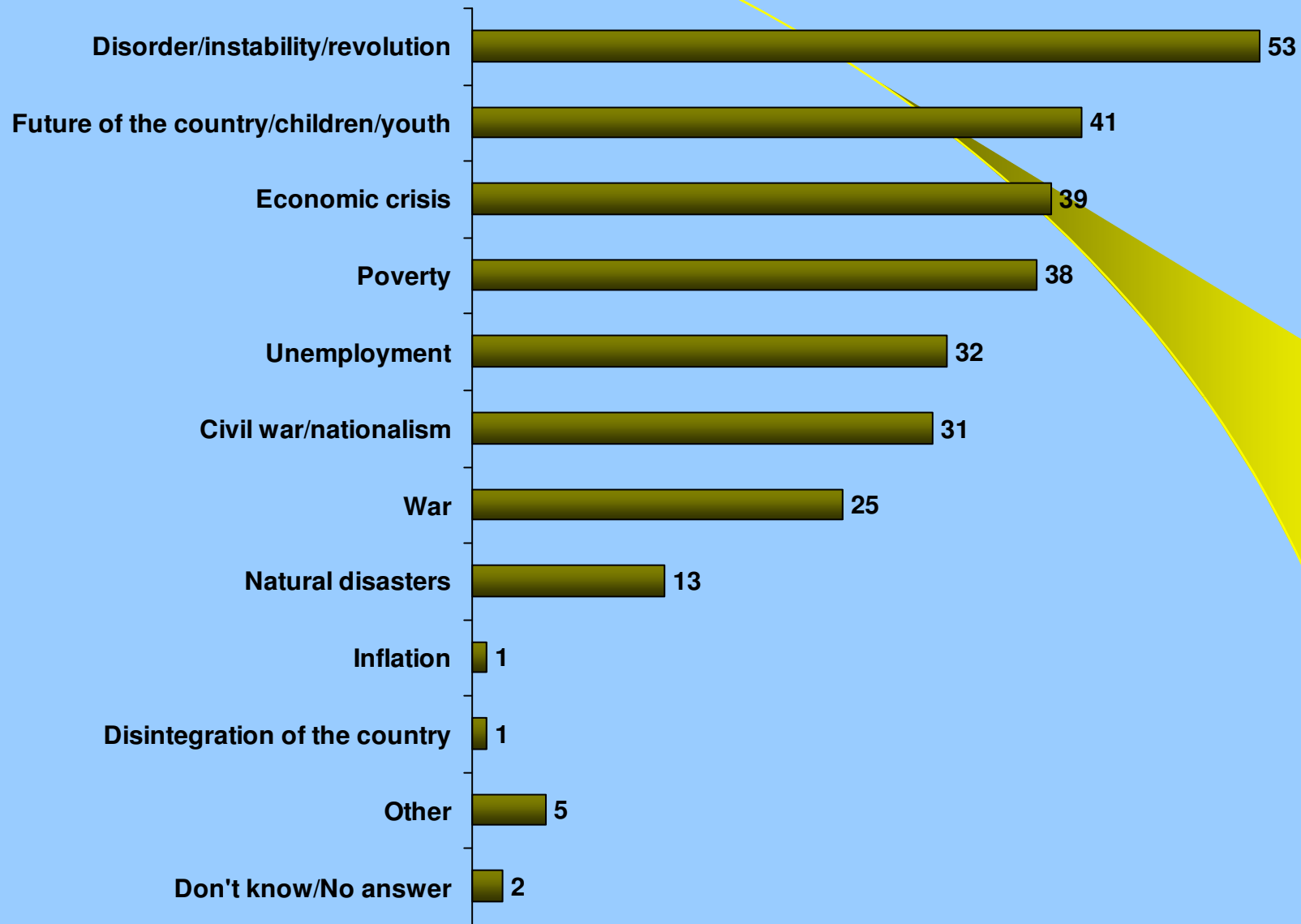
(three answers allowed)



What do you fear the most?

November 2007

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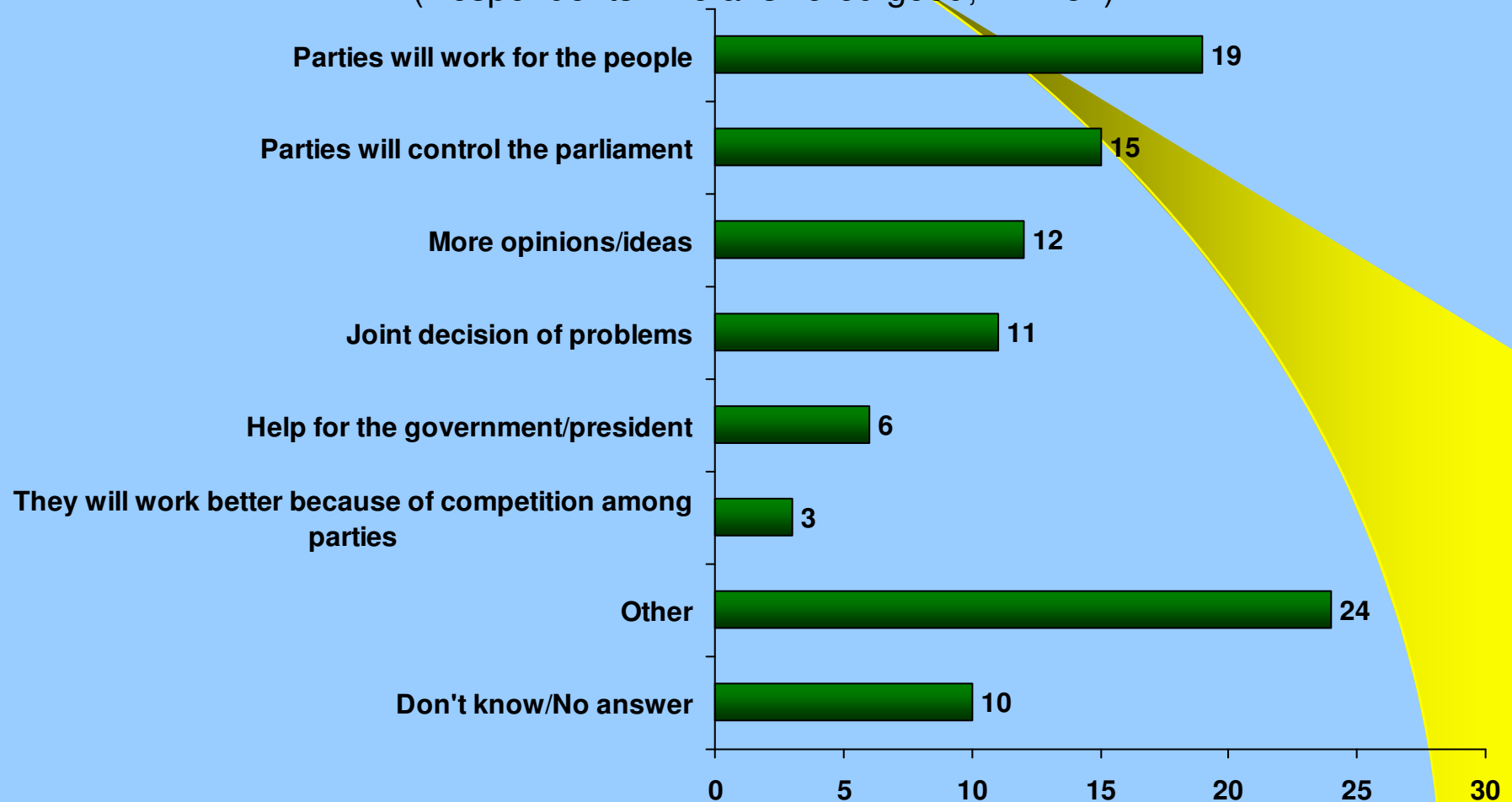
POLITICAL PARTIES

According to the new constitution, political parties will play a bigger role in the parliament and in the formation of the government. Is this good or bad?



Why is it good that political parties will play a bigger role in the parliament and in the formation of the government?

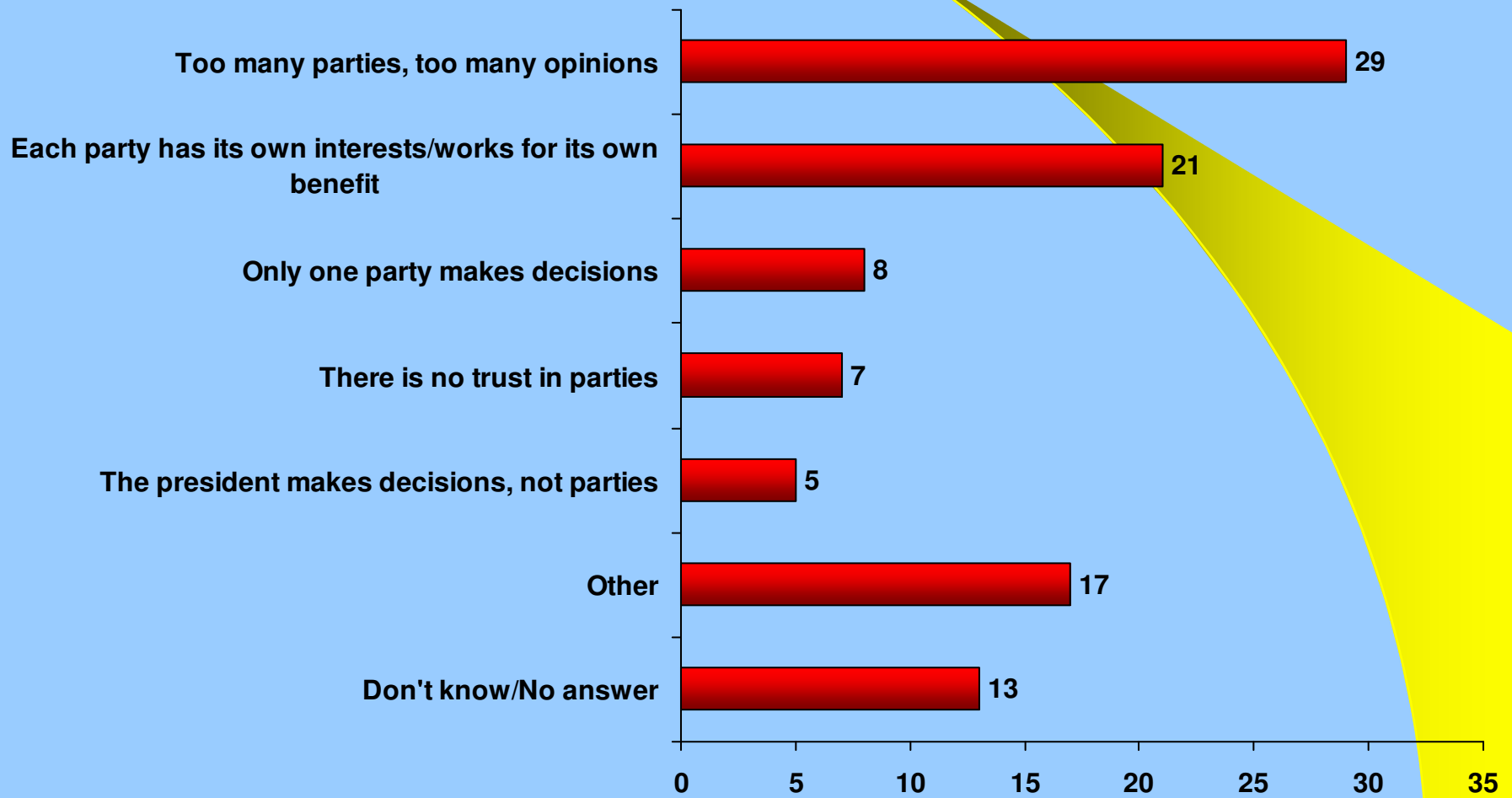
(Respondents who answered good; N=481)



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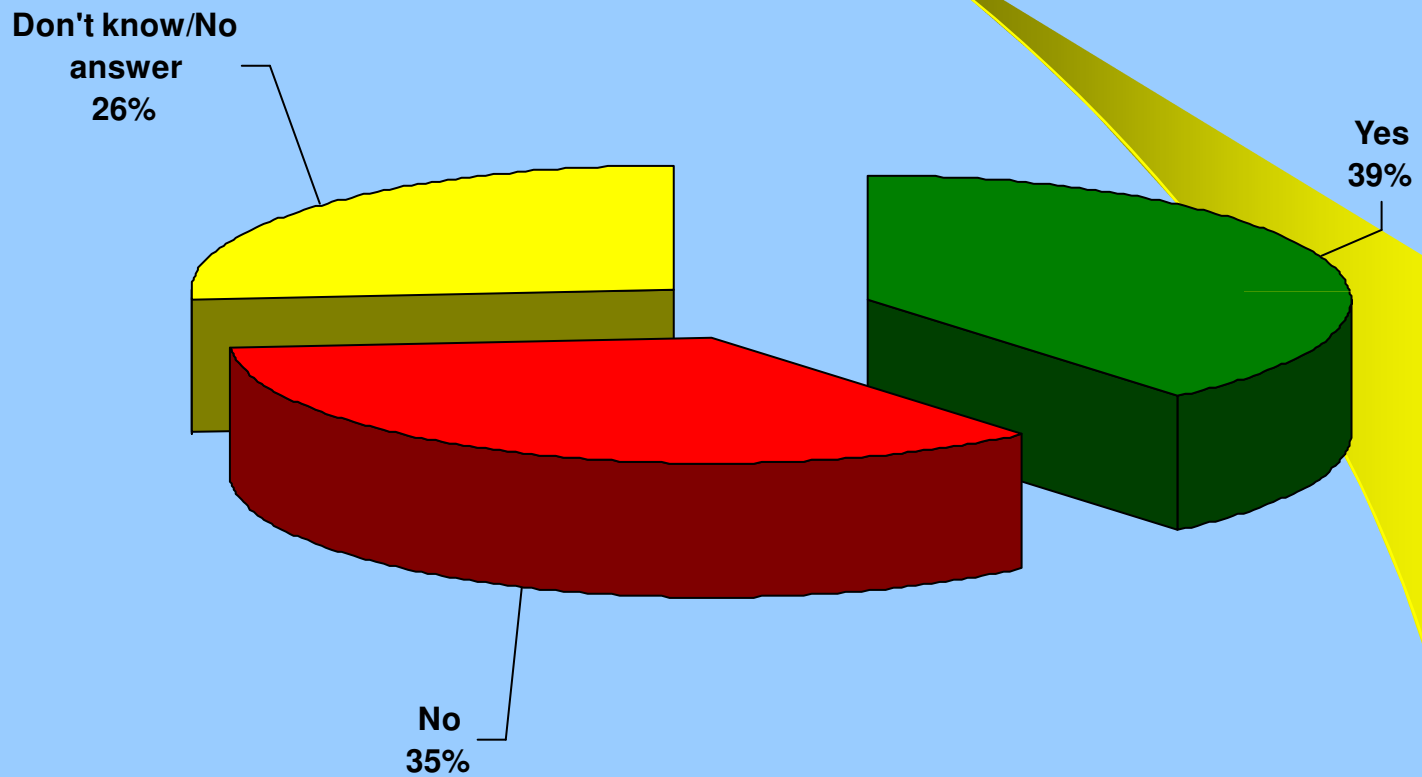
Why is it bad that political parties will play a bigger role in the parliament and in the formation of the government?

(Respondents who answered bad; N=313)

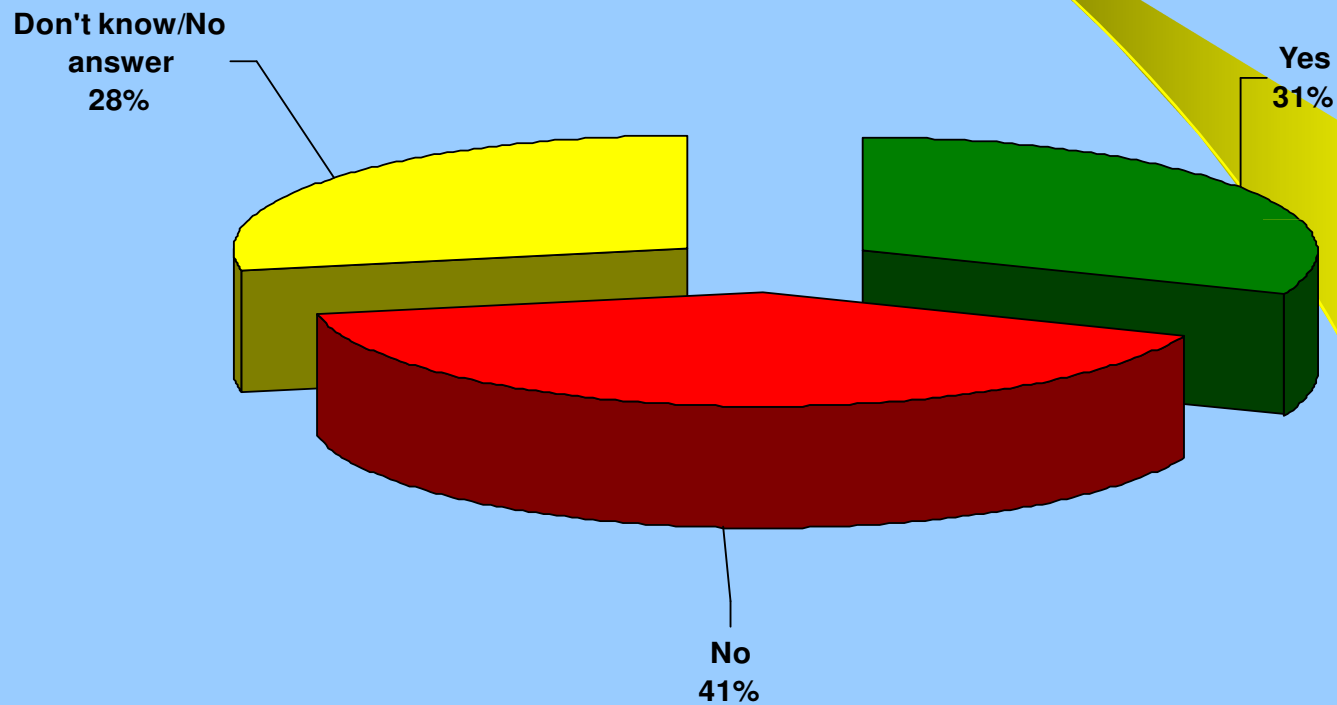


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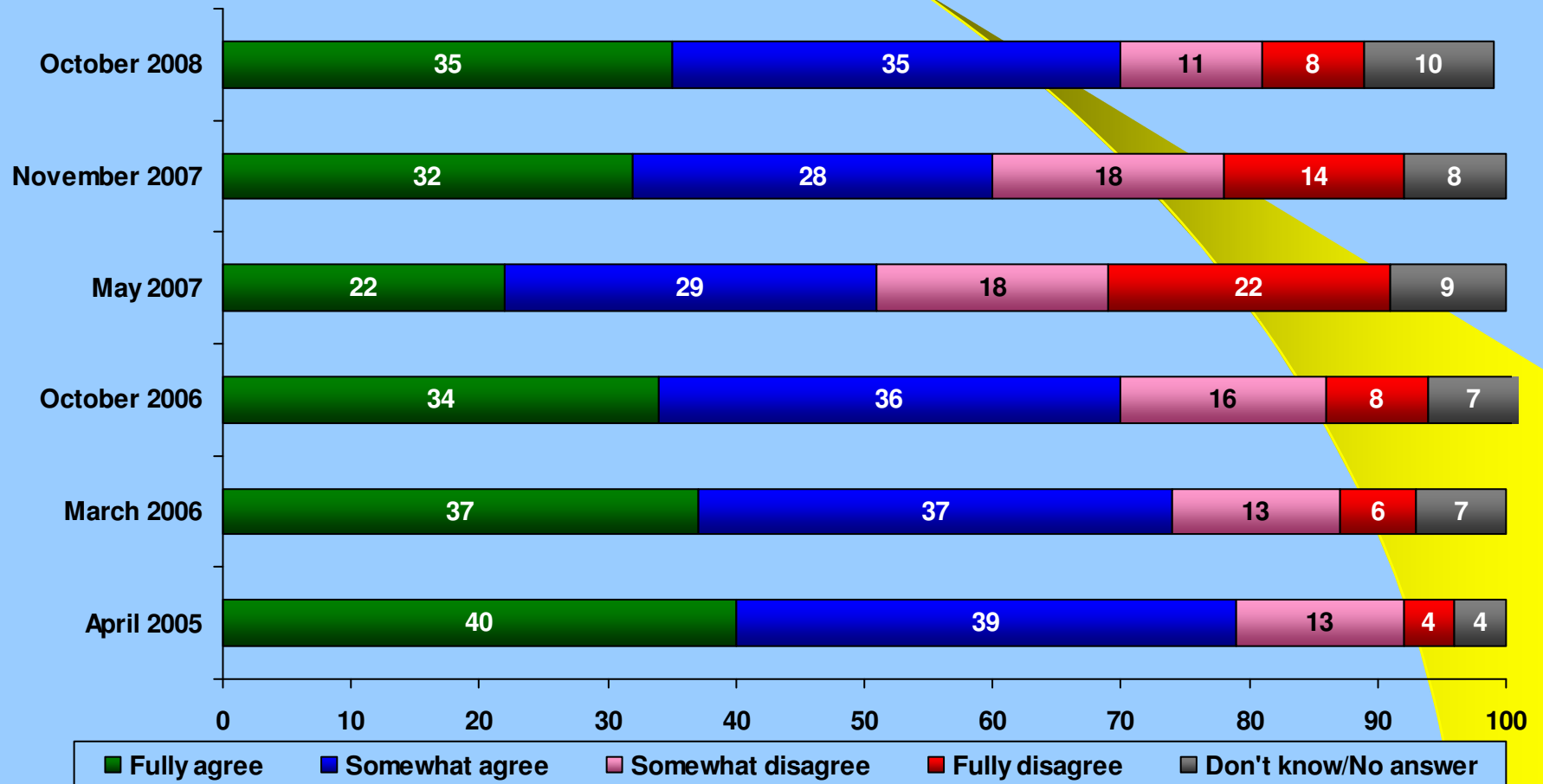
Is there a political party in Kyrgyzstan that best represents your views?



Do political parties care about what people like you think?

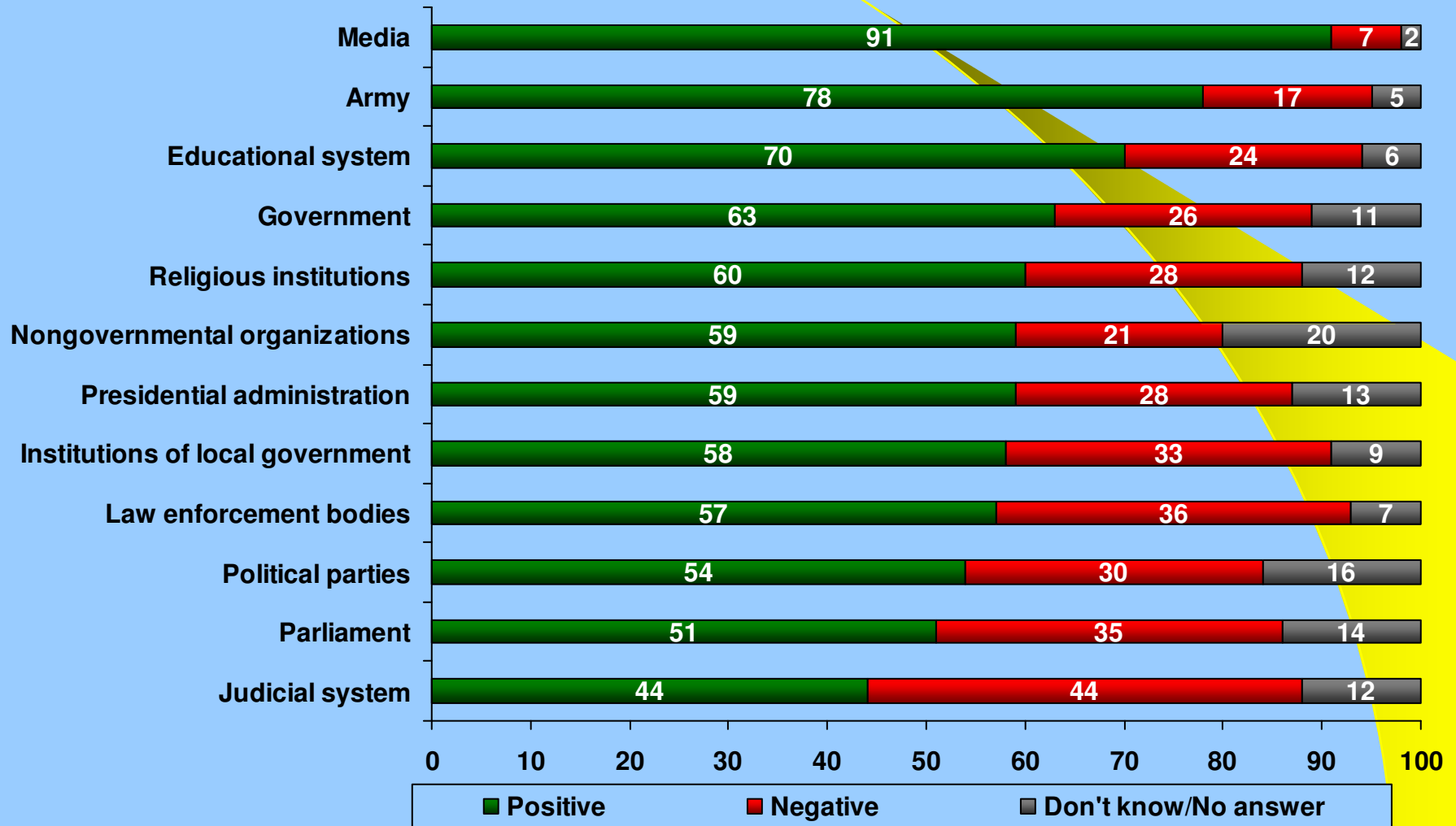


Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? It is healthy for Kyrgyzstan to have an active opposition.

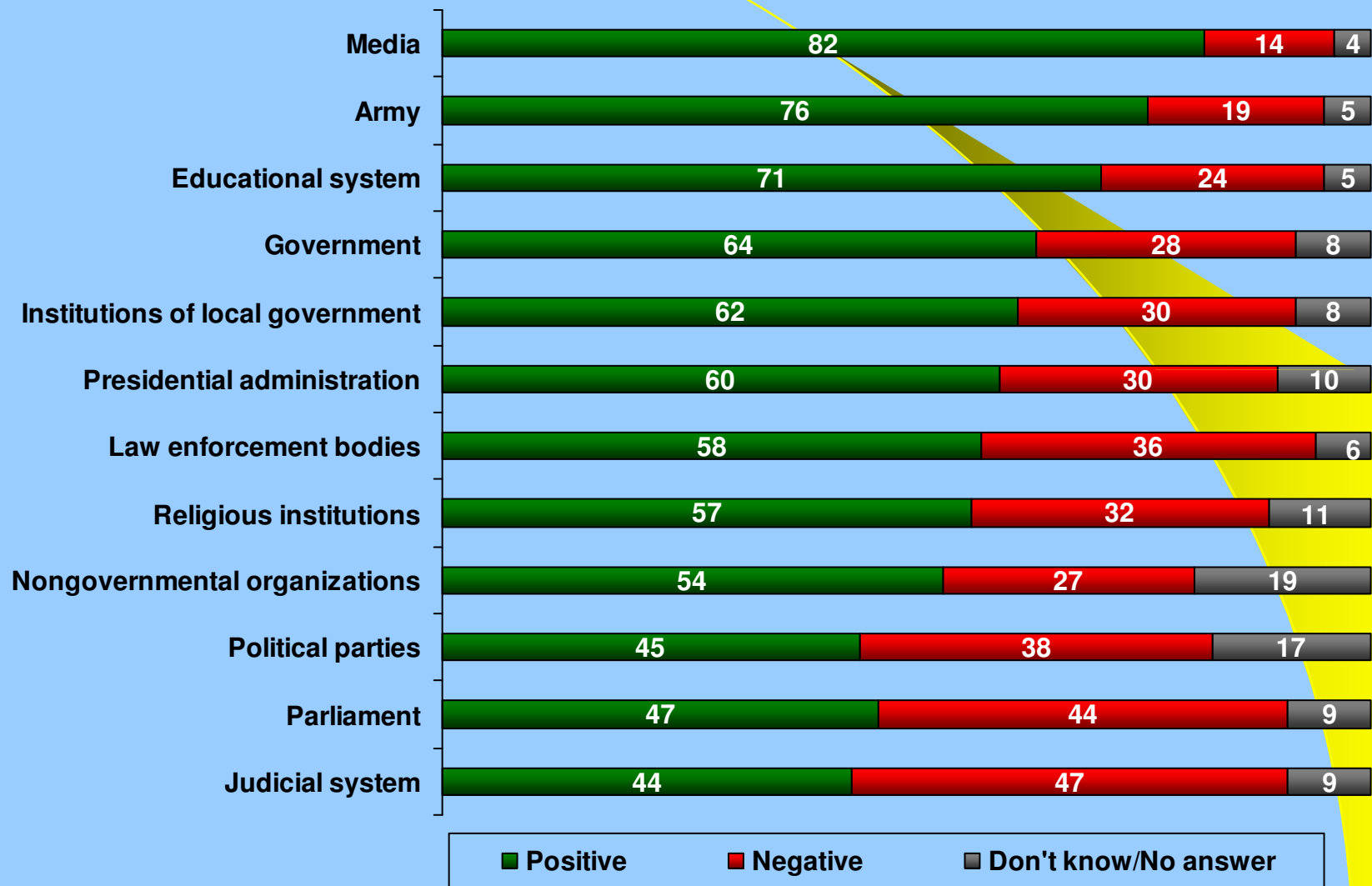


INSTITUTIONS

What is your opinion about the following organizations and public institutions?



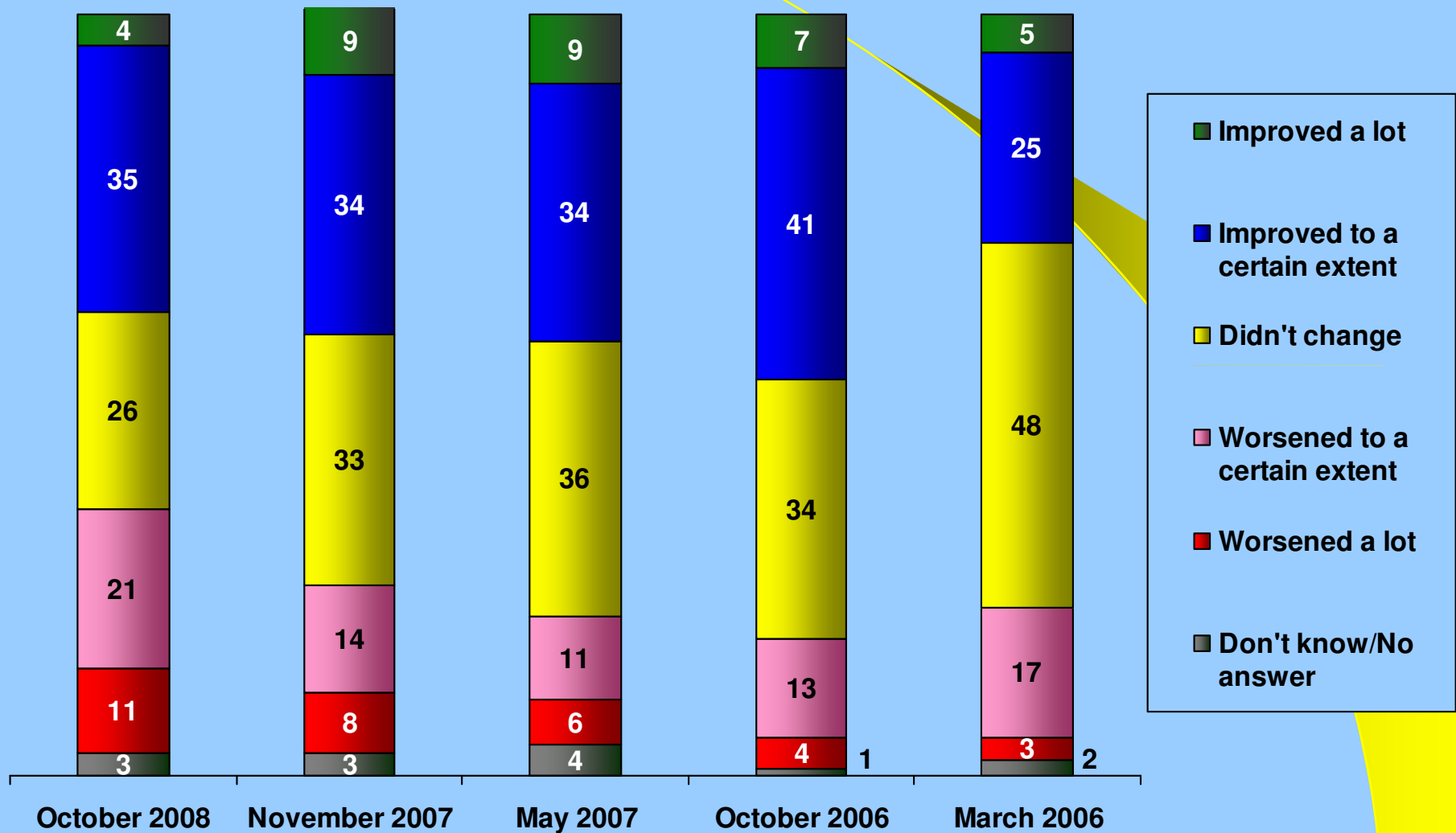
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ECONOMY

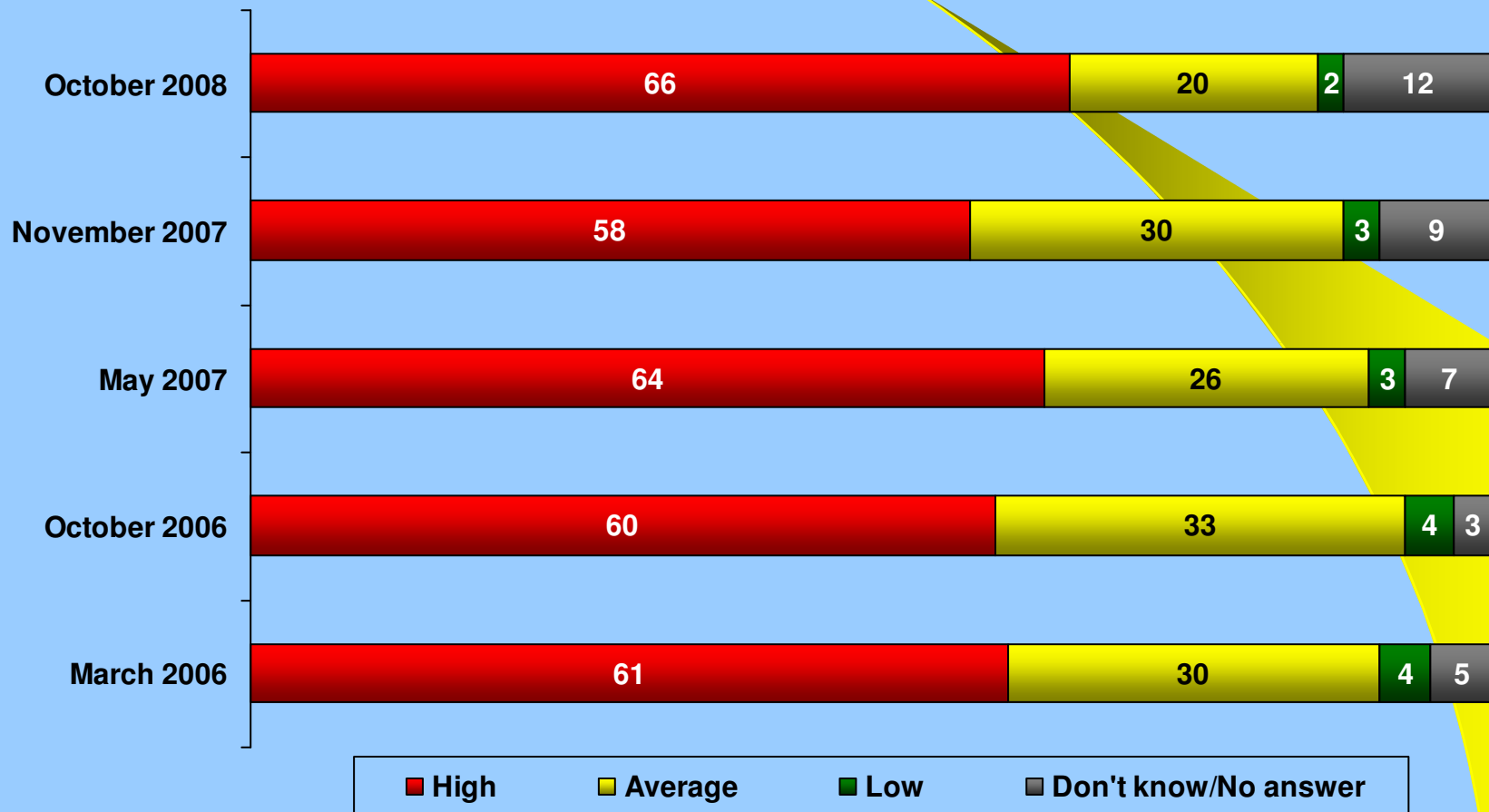
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Over the last 12 months, has the economy in Kyrgyzstan...?

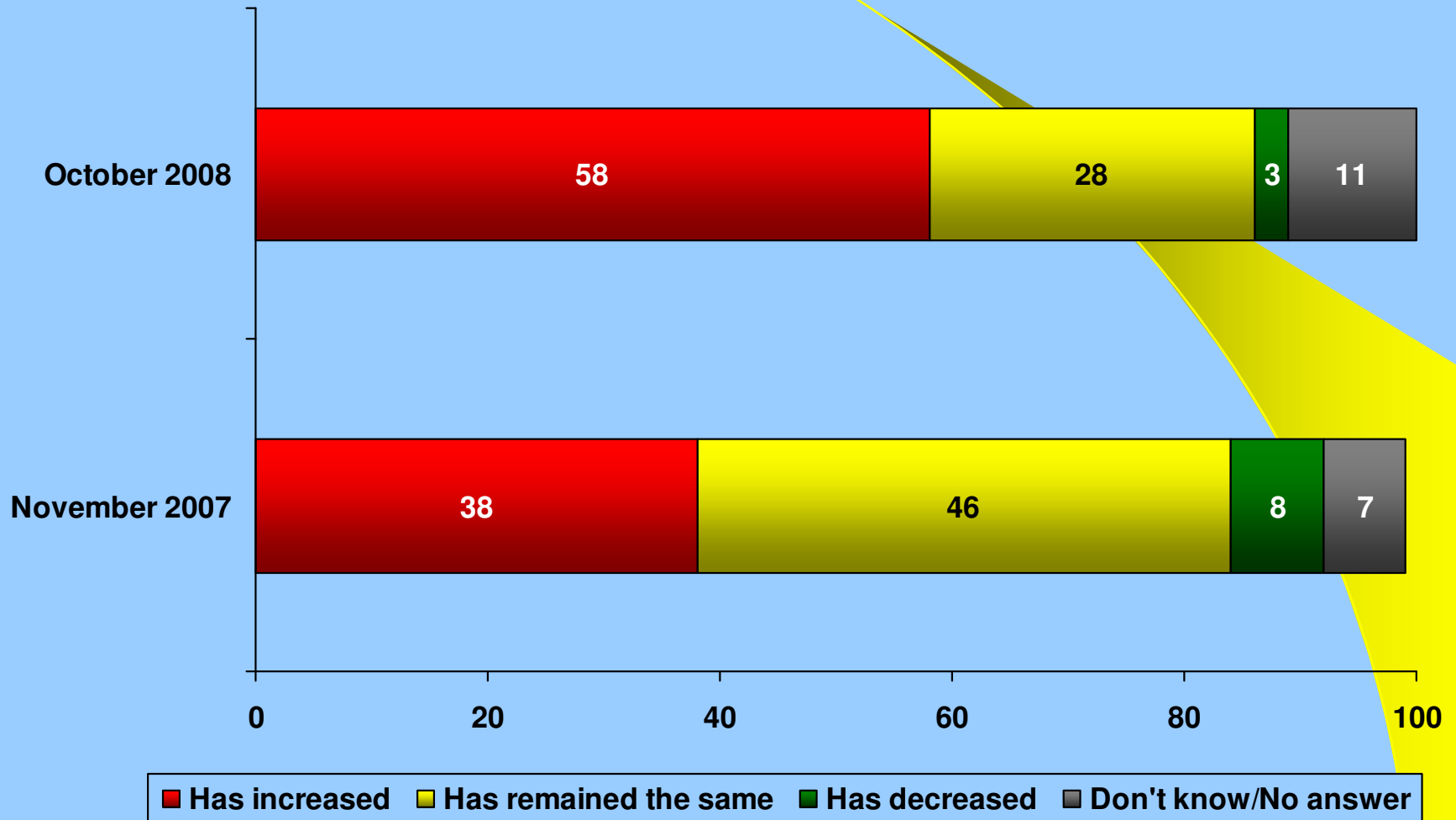


CORRUPTION

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



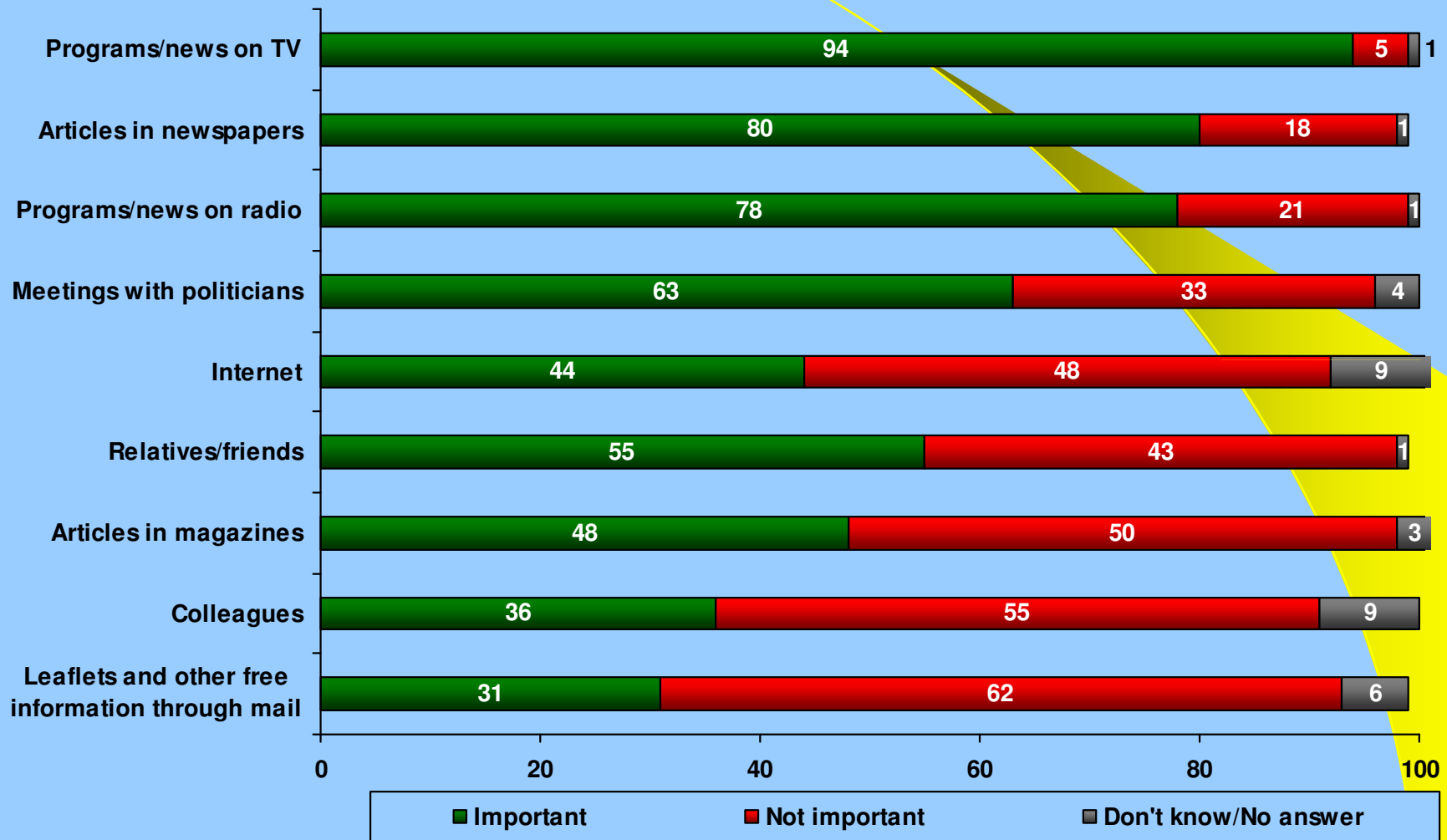
In your opinion, has the level of corruption in Kyrgyzstan over the last 12 months...?



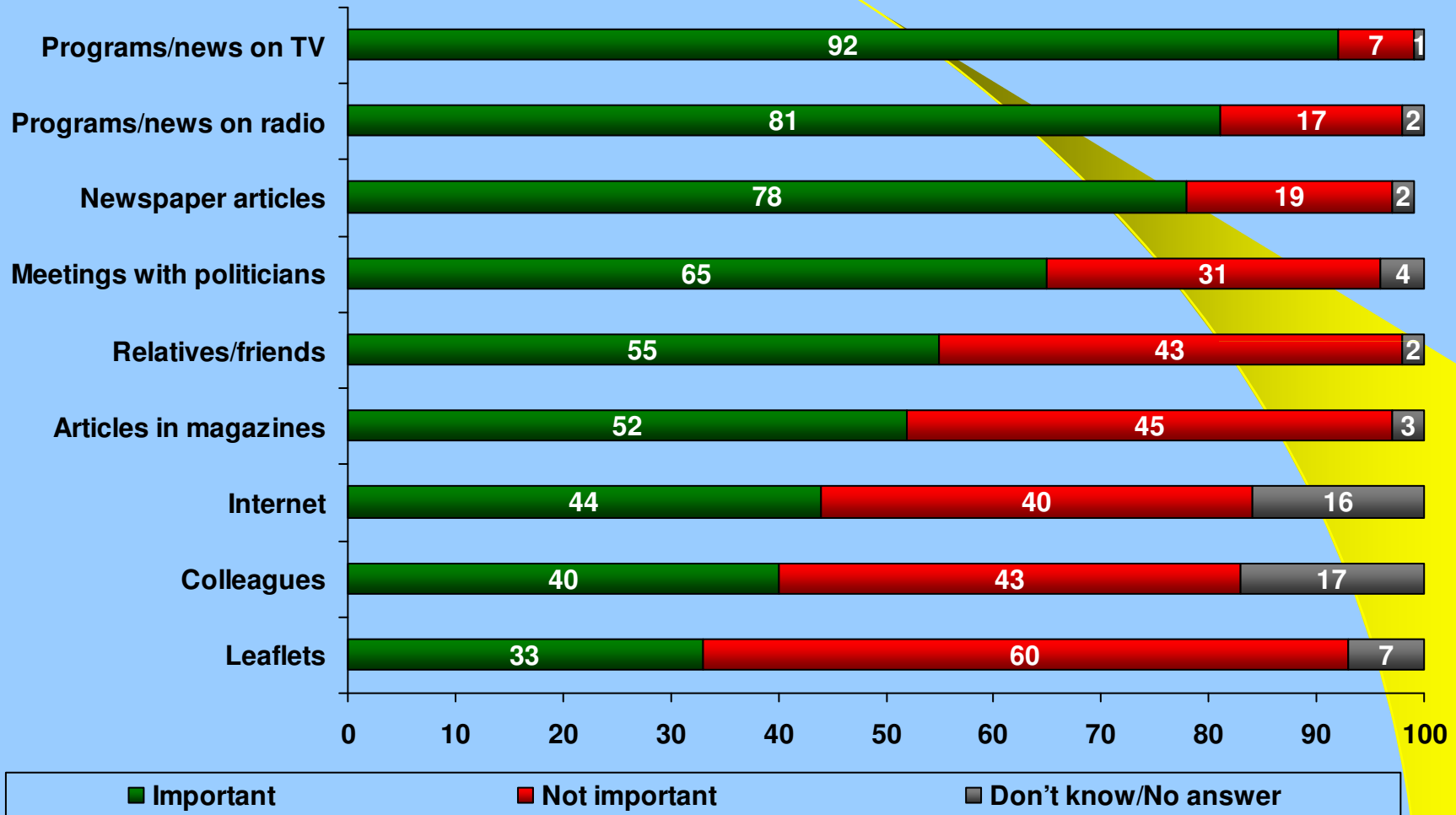
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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Which sources of information are important for you to be informed about politics?

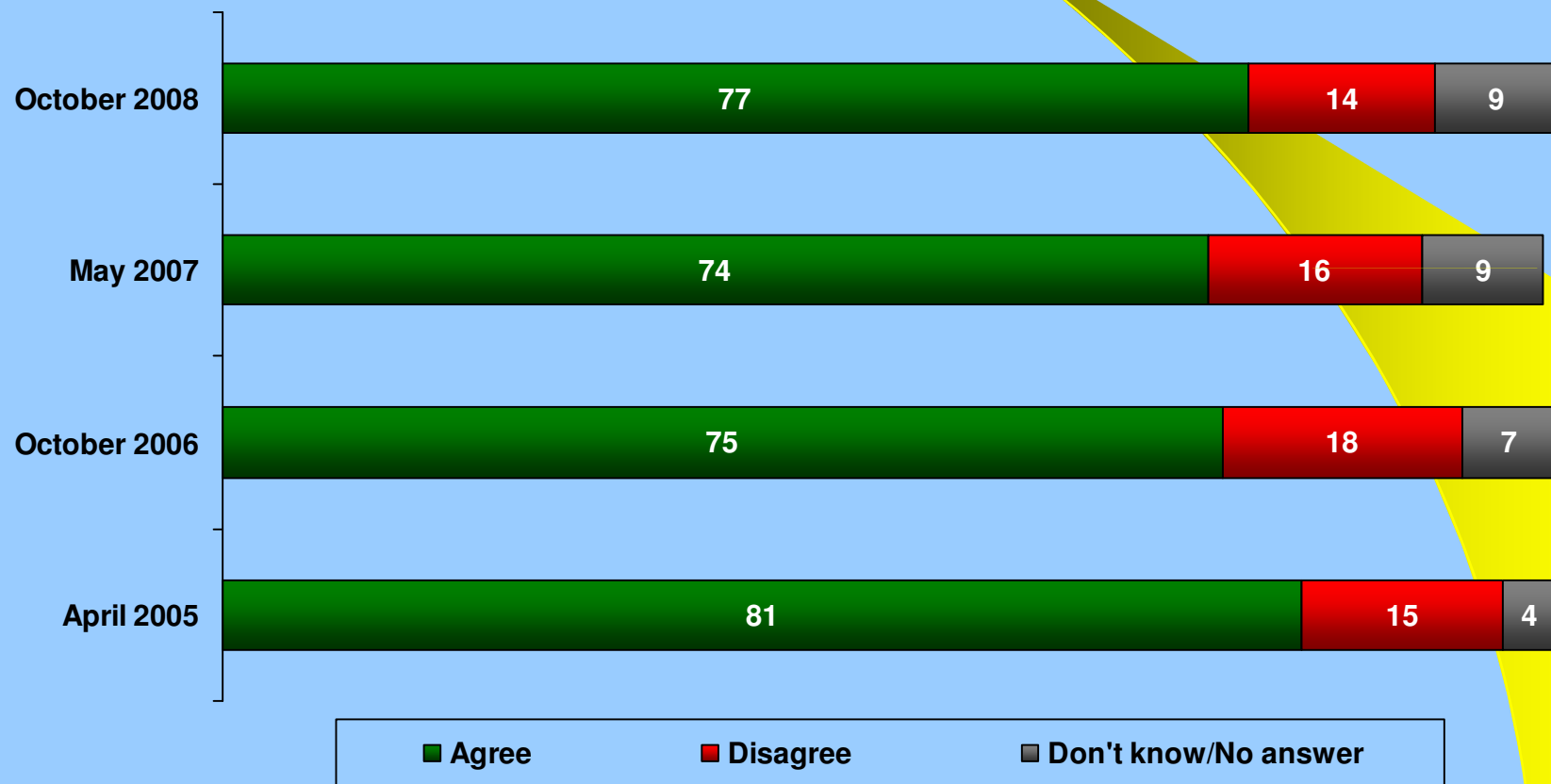


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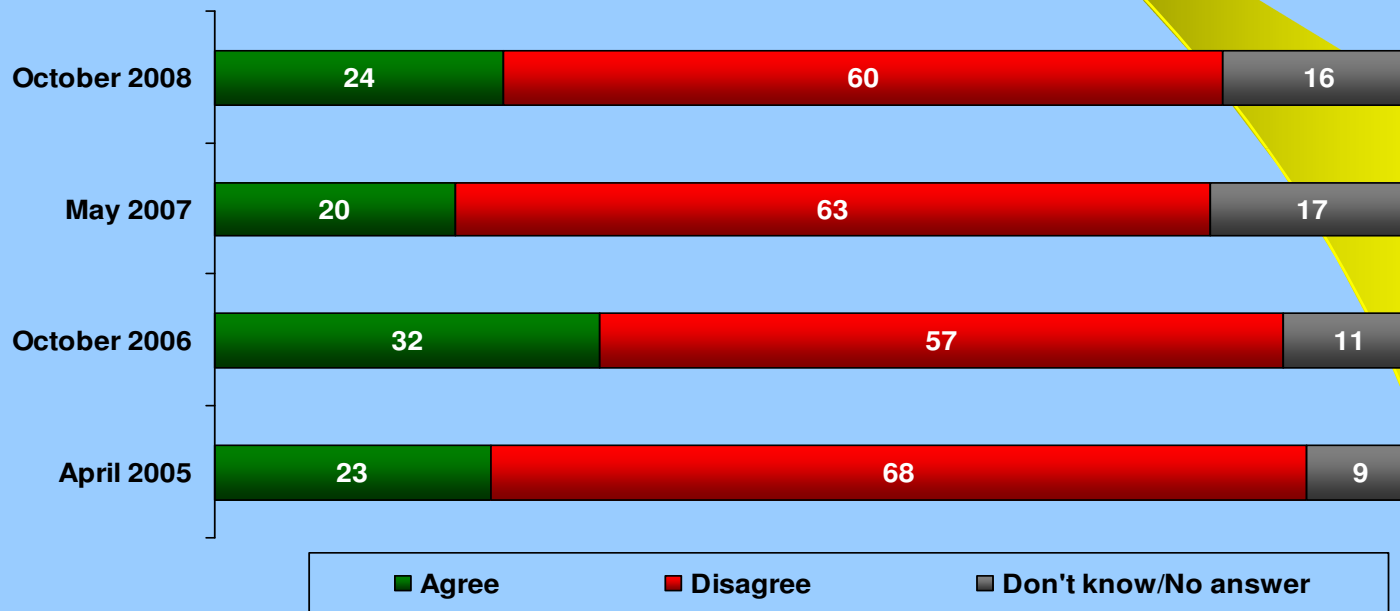


VALUES

Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? It is good when society consists of people of different religious and ethnic backgrounds.

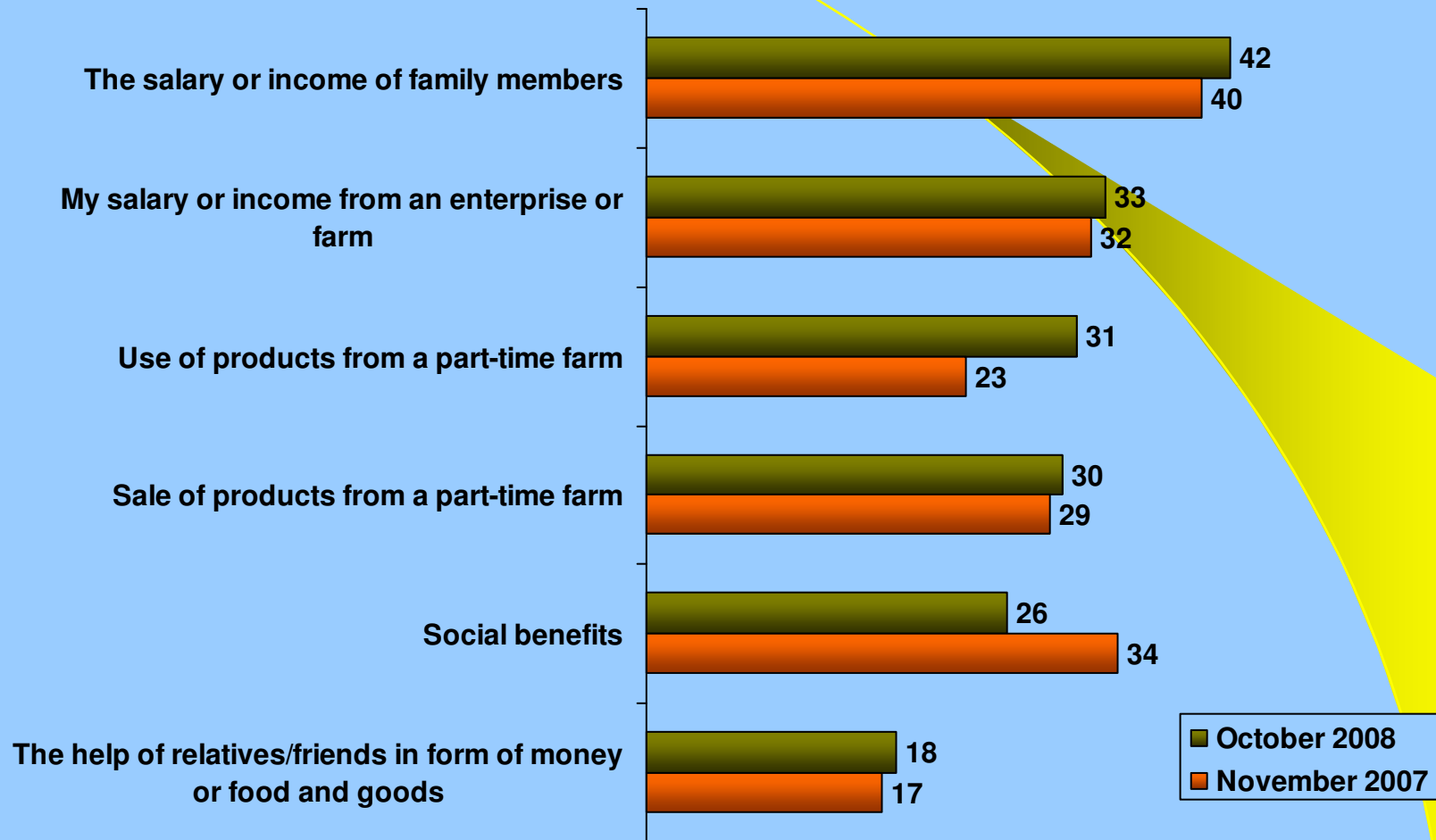


Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? If there were more people in the republic belonging to religious or national minorities, we could have problems.

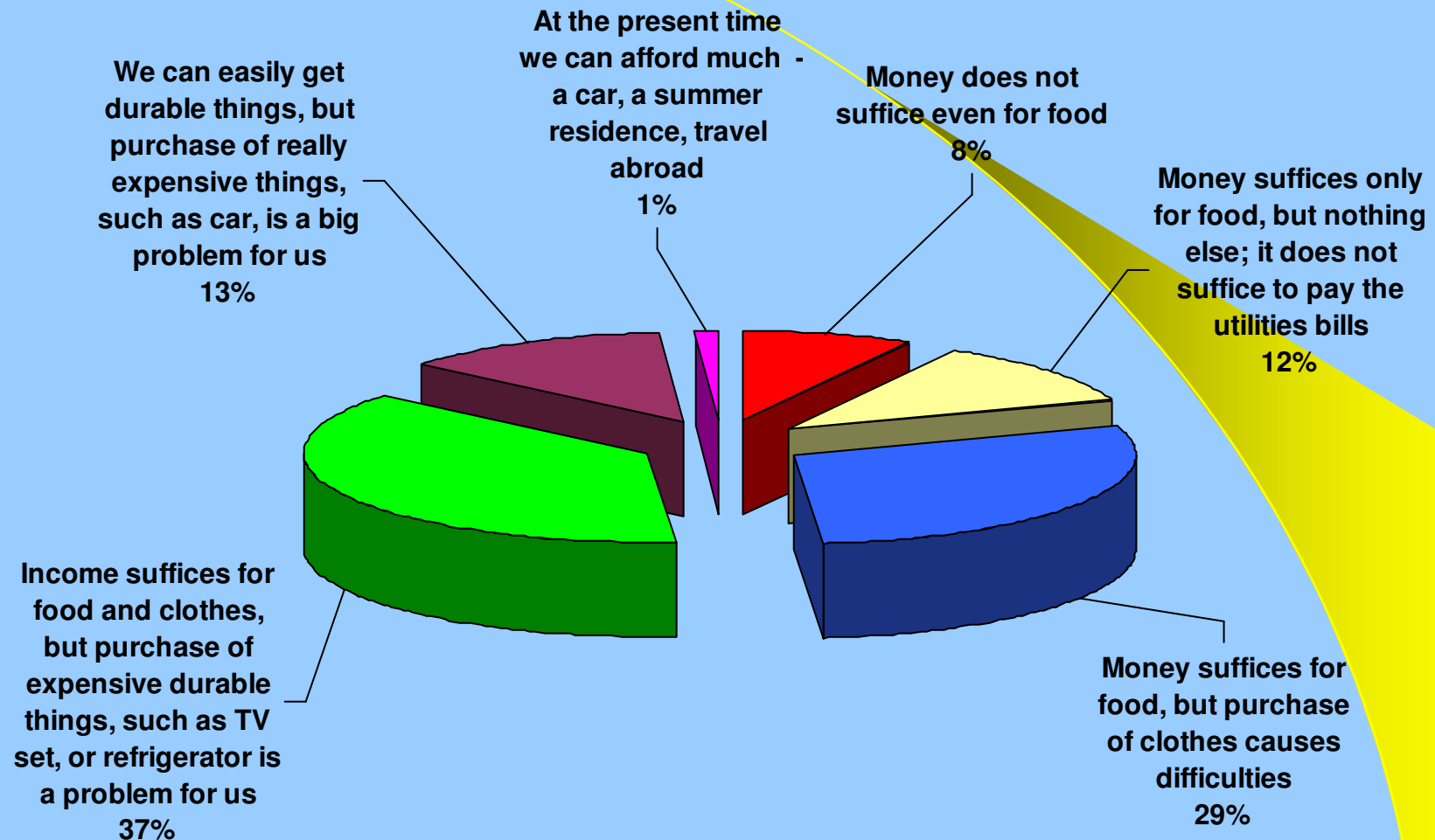


MEANS OF SUBSISTENCE

What are your family's basic sources of living?

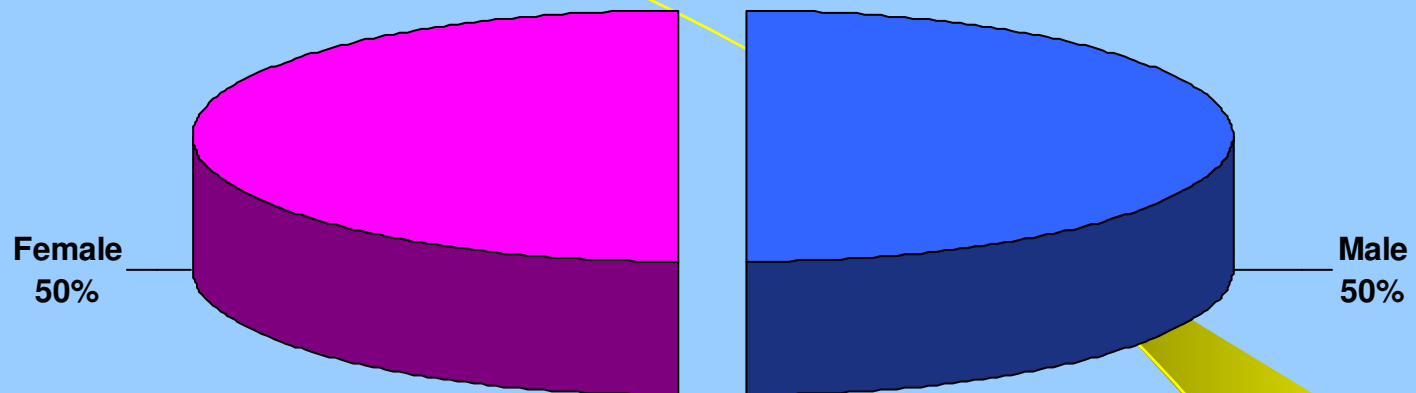


How would you estimate the financial position of your household?

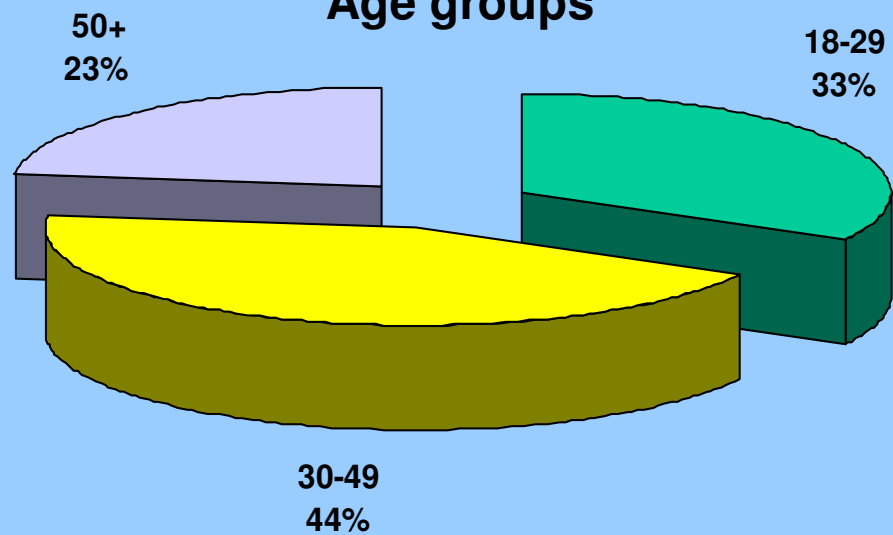


SOCIO-DEMOGRAPHICS

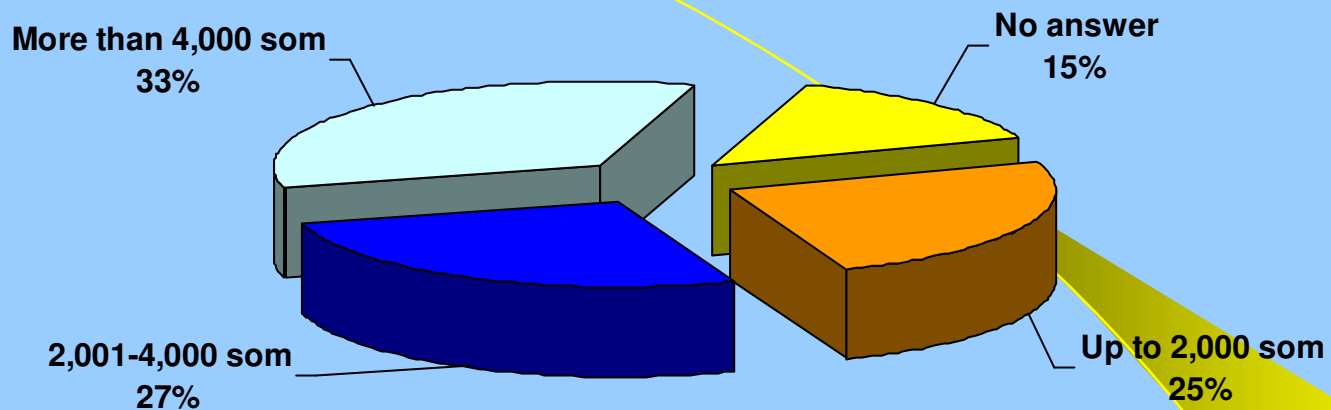
Gender



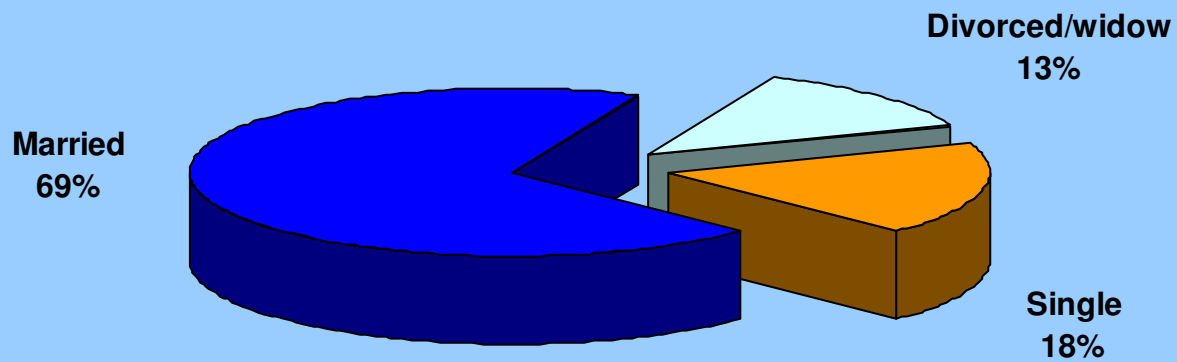
Age groups



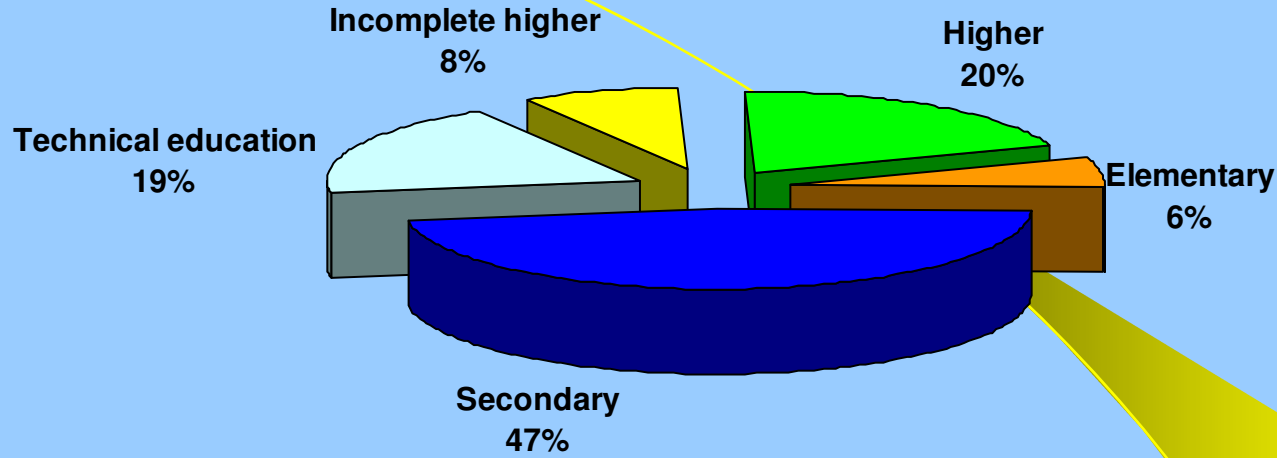
Household income



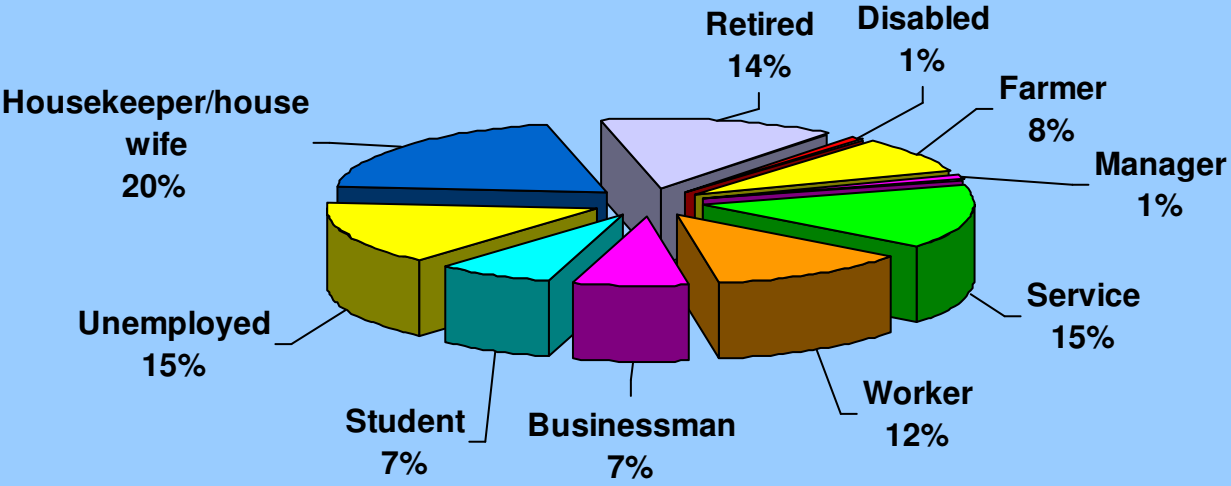
Marital status



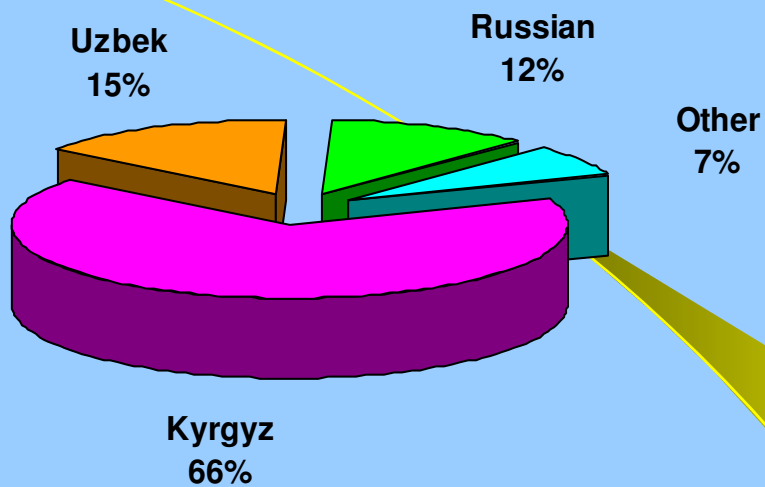
Education



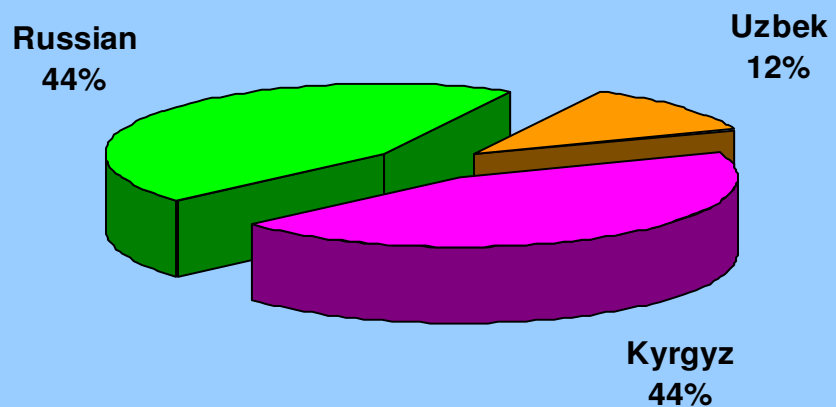
Occupation



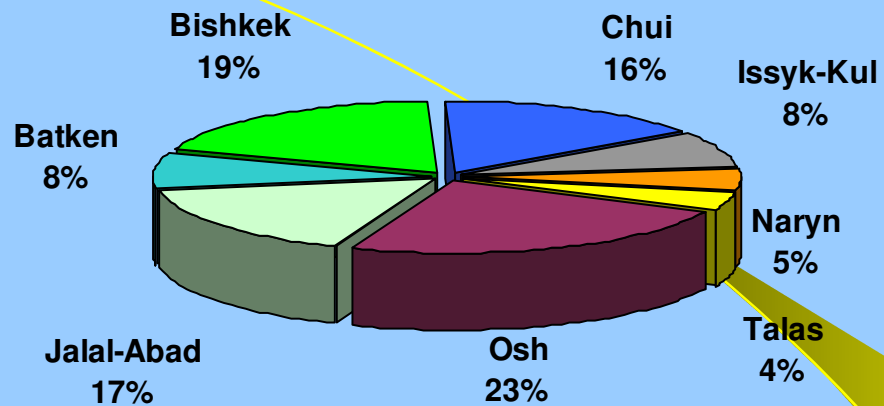
Nationality



Language of the interview



Regions



Size of settlement

