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Pakistan Public Opinion Survey

June 1-15, 2008



Survey Methodology

- In-person, in-home interview
- National representative sample of adult resident of Pakistan.
- N = 3,484
- Conducted between June 1-15, 2008
- Margin of error \pm 1.66 percent overall
- Data collected by Socio Economic Development Consultants (SEDCO)
- A multi-stage probability sample was used. In the first stage, the sample was stratified into four provinces. In the second stage, the sample was further stratified into districts within each province by rural and urban categories. In the third stage each district was further stratified by Union Councils.
- The sample was distributed at the provincial level, rural and urban, in all four provinces of Pakistan (except for the Federally Administrative Tribal Areas (FATA), Chitral and Kohistan). The sample was then post-weighted to make it proportionate to national representation by province.
- The eligibility criteria is age, which for this survey is 18 years and above.
- The response rate was just over 90 percent.
- The interview teams comprised both of male and females; the female respondents were interviewed by female interviewers and male respondents by male interviewers.
- Kish method was used to select respondents 18 years and older within the randomly selected household. The right hand method was used to select every third household in localities selected through area probability sample.
- 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.



Survey Demographics

Male 57% Female 43%

Urban 32.5% Rural 67.5%

Age

Up to 25 32%

26-35 38%

36-50 24%

50+ 6%

Education

Illiterate 24%

Primary 16%

Middle 15%

Matric 24%

Intermediate 11%

Graduate 7%

MA/Prof'l 2%

Monthly Household Income

Up to Rs 3,000 10%

Rs 3,001 – 10,000 57%

Rs 10,001 – 15,000 16%

Rs 15,001 – 25,000 9%

More than Rs 25,000 2%

Language

Urdu 8%

Punjabi 46%

Pashto 12%

Sindhi 17%

Seraiki 8%

Hindko 5%

Balochi 2%

Other 2%



Acronyms Legend

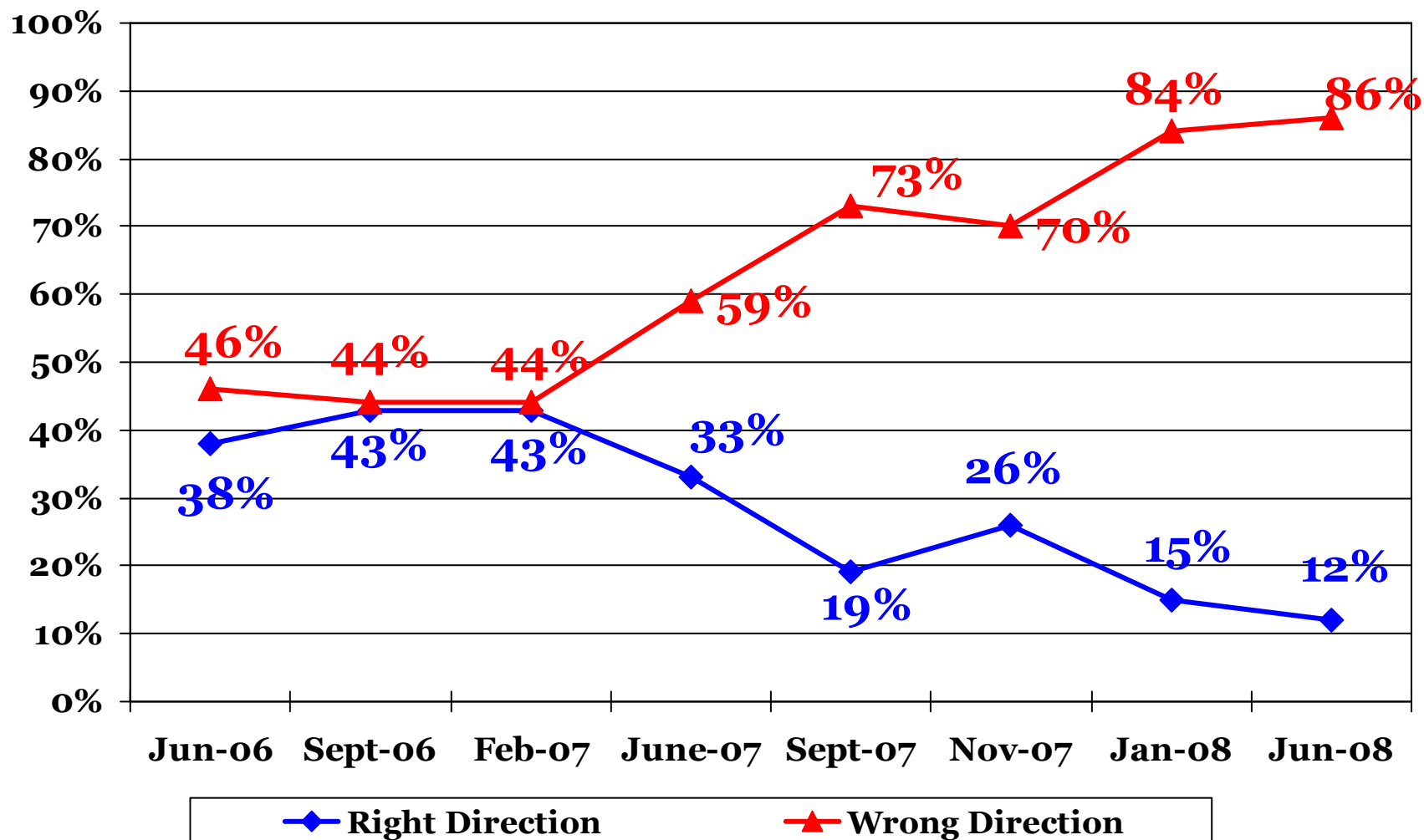
- Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz (PML-N)
- Pakistan Muslim League-Quaid (PML-Q)
- Awami National Party (ANP)
- Muttahida Quami Movement (MQM)
- Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI)
- Muttahida Majlis-e-Amal (MMA)
- Pakistan Peoples Party (PPP)
- Pakistan Peoples Party-Parliamentarians (PPPP). This is the parliamentary bloc allied with PPP
- Pakistan Peoples Party-Shaheed Bhutto (PPP-SB)
- Pakhtunkhwa Milli Awami Party (PKMAP)
- Balochistan National Party (BNP)
- Jamote Qaumi Movement (JQM)
- Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam Faction (JUI-F)
- Northwest Frontier Province (NWFP)
- Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA)



INDICATORS

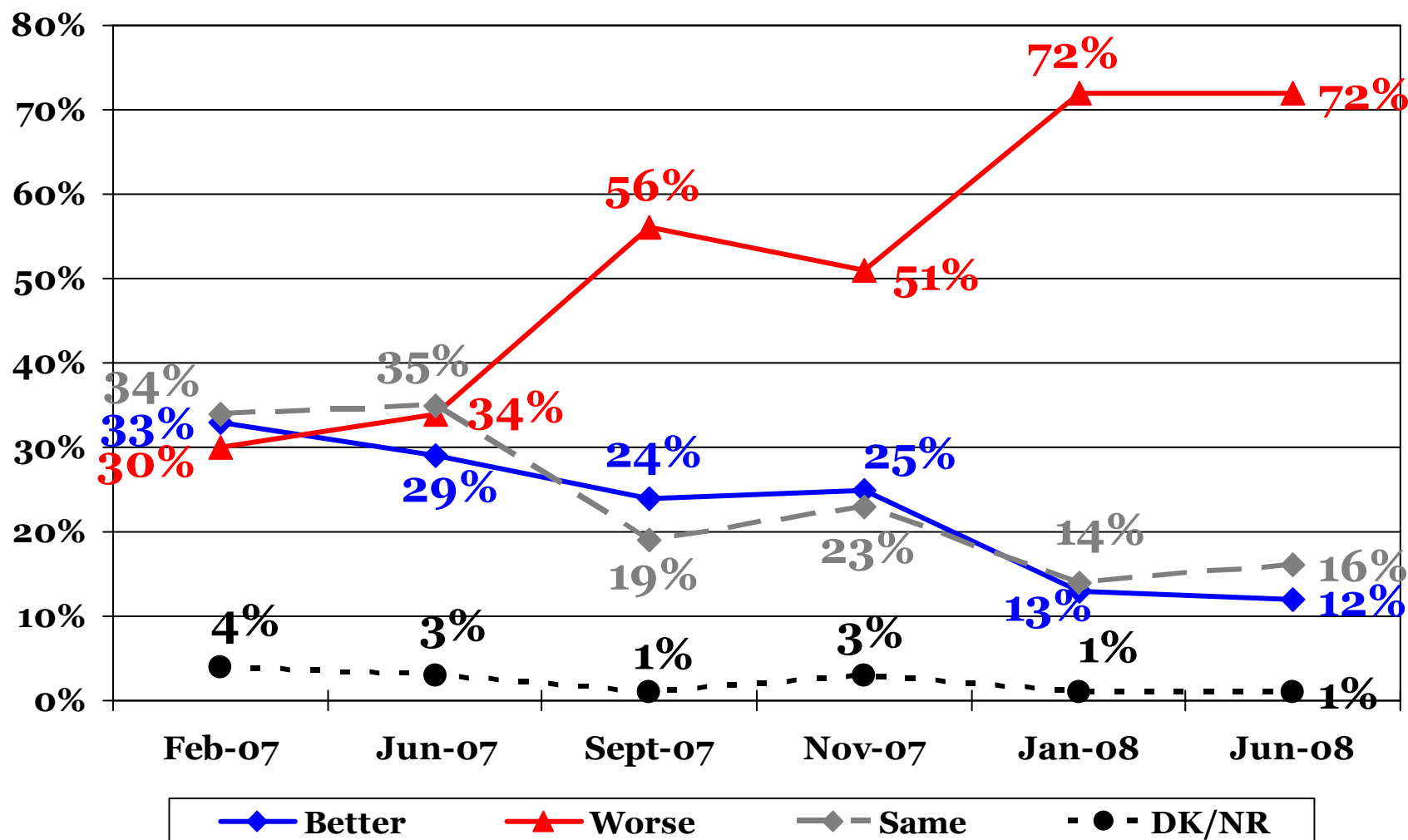


Do you think that Pakistan is heading in the right direction or in the wrong direction?



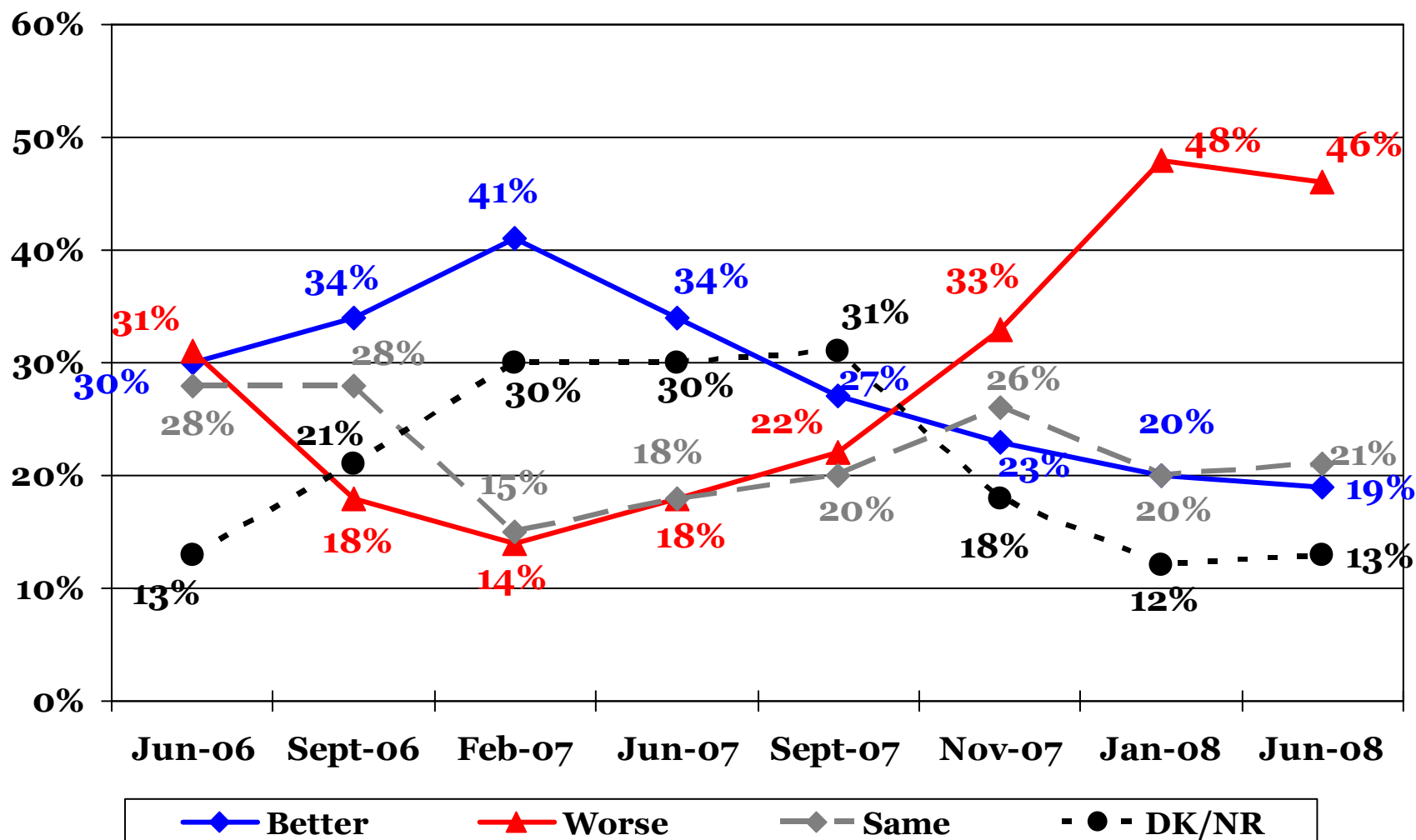


In the past year, has your personal economic situation improved, worsened or stayed the same?



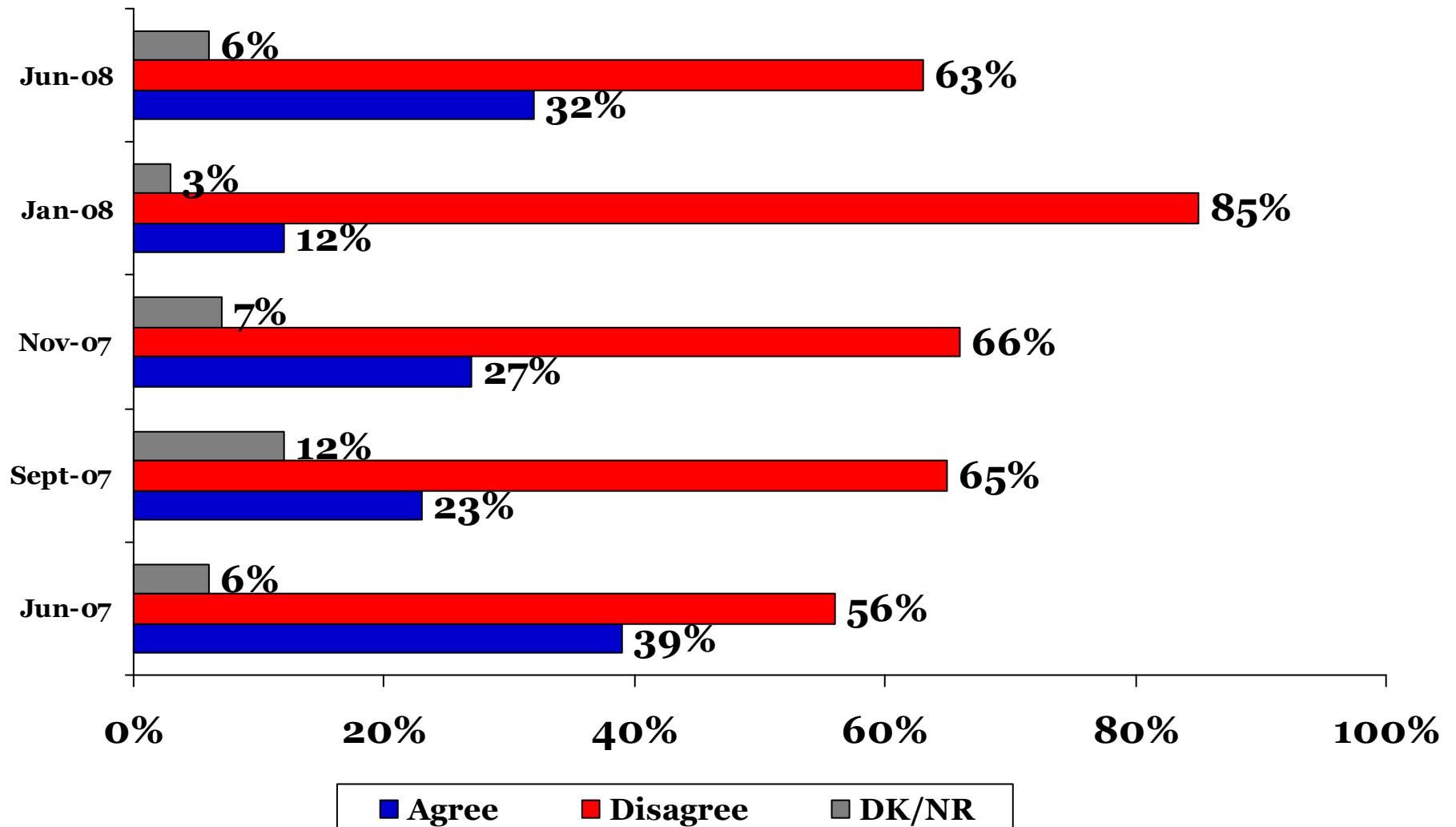


Thinking about next year, do you expect the economic situation in Pakistan to get better, get worse or stay the same?





Agree or Disagree? I feel more secure this year than I did last year.

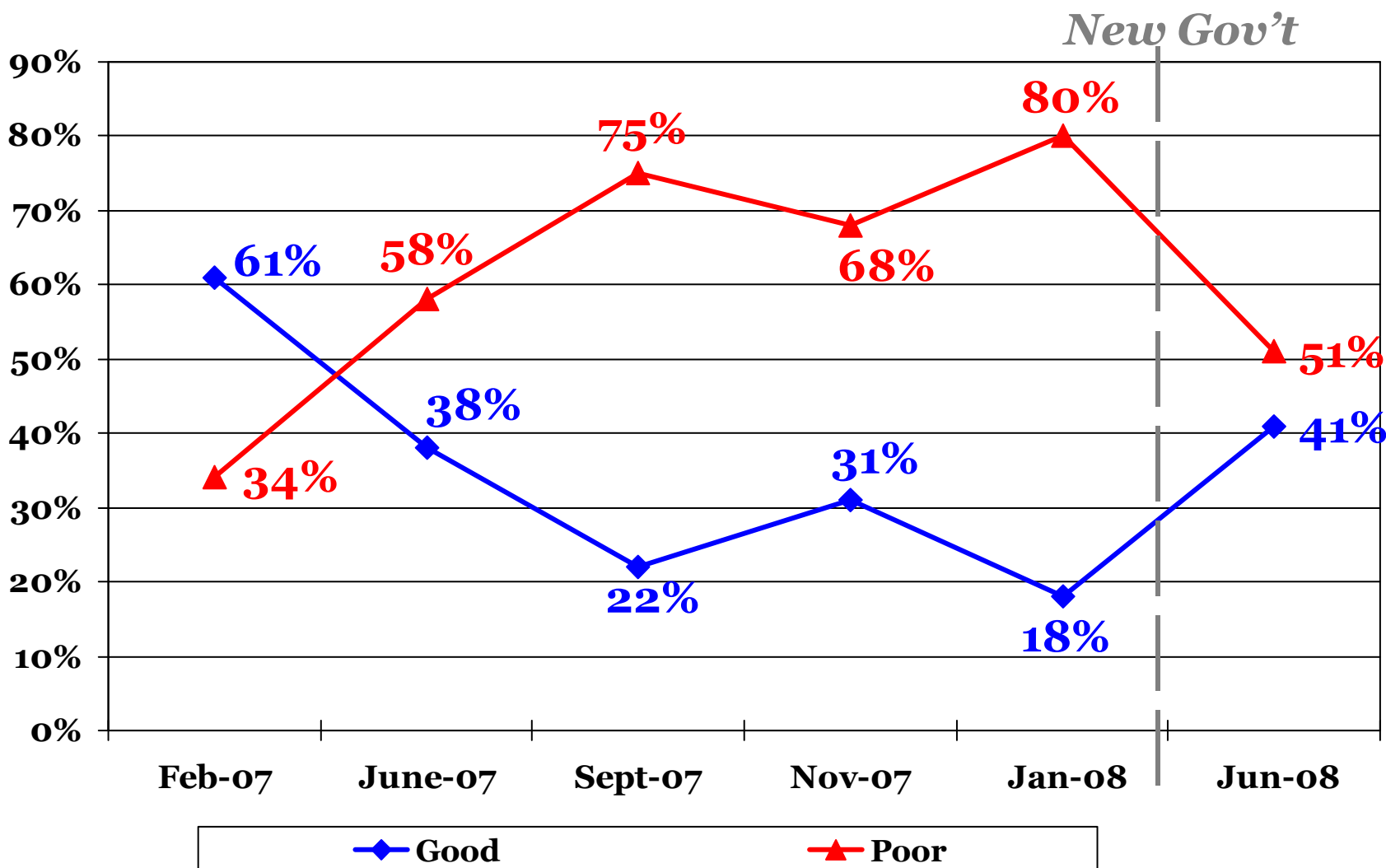




THE NEW GOVERNMENT

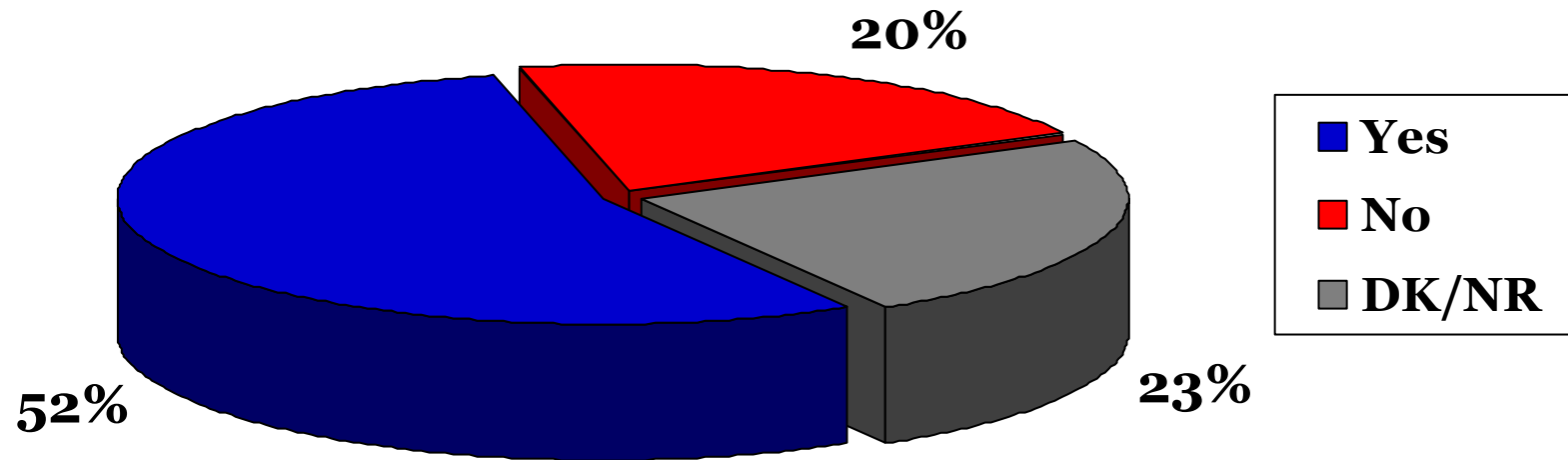


In your opinion, how has the government performed on the issues most important to you?





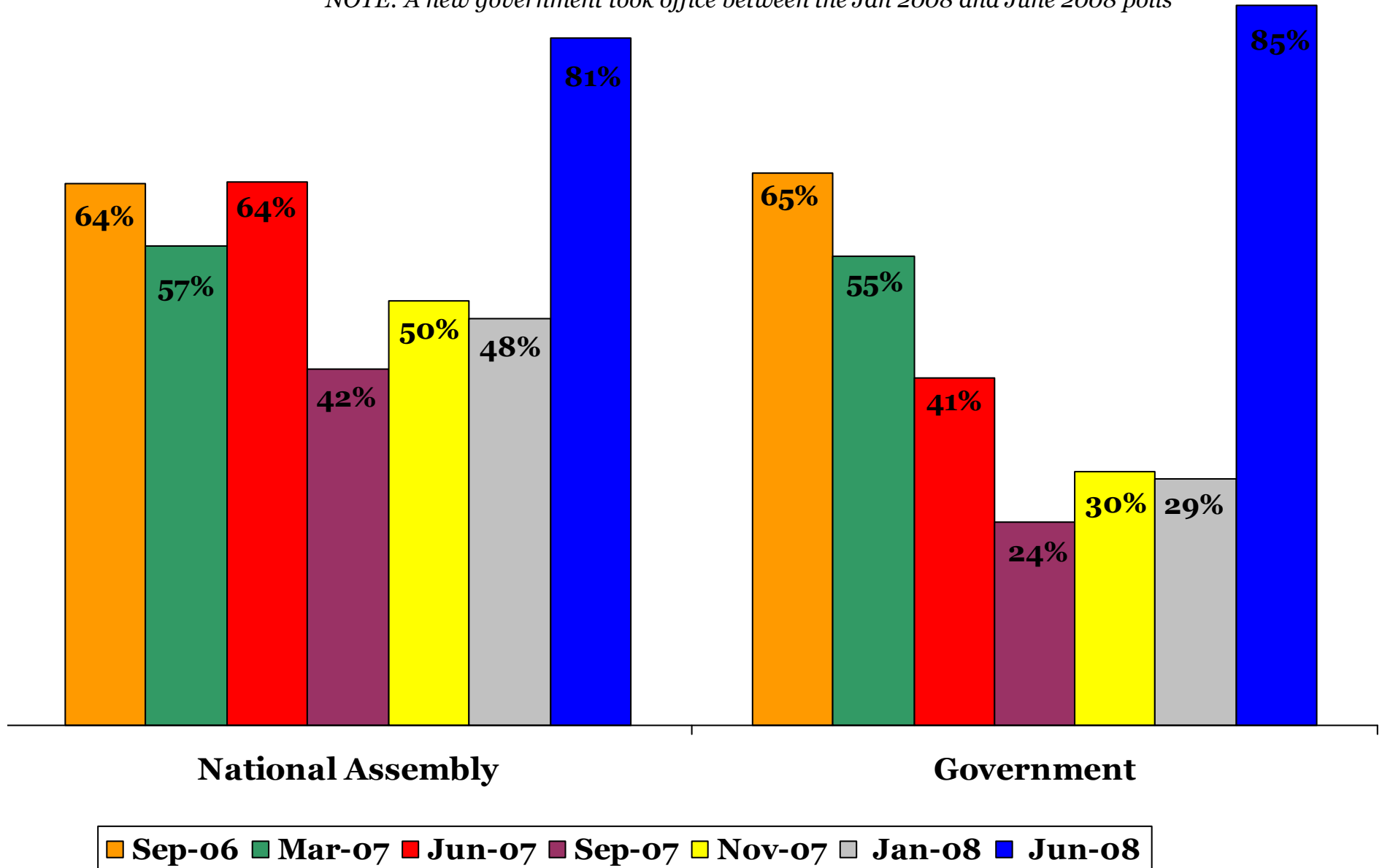
Do you think things will be better in Pakistan now that there is a new government?





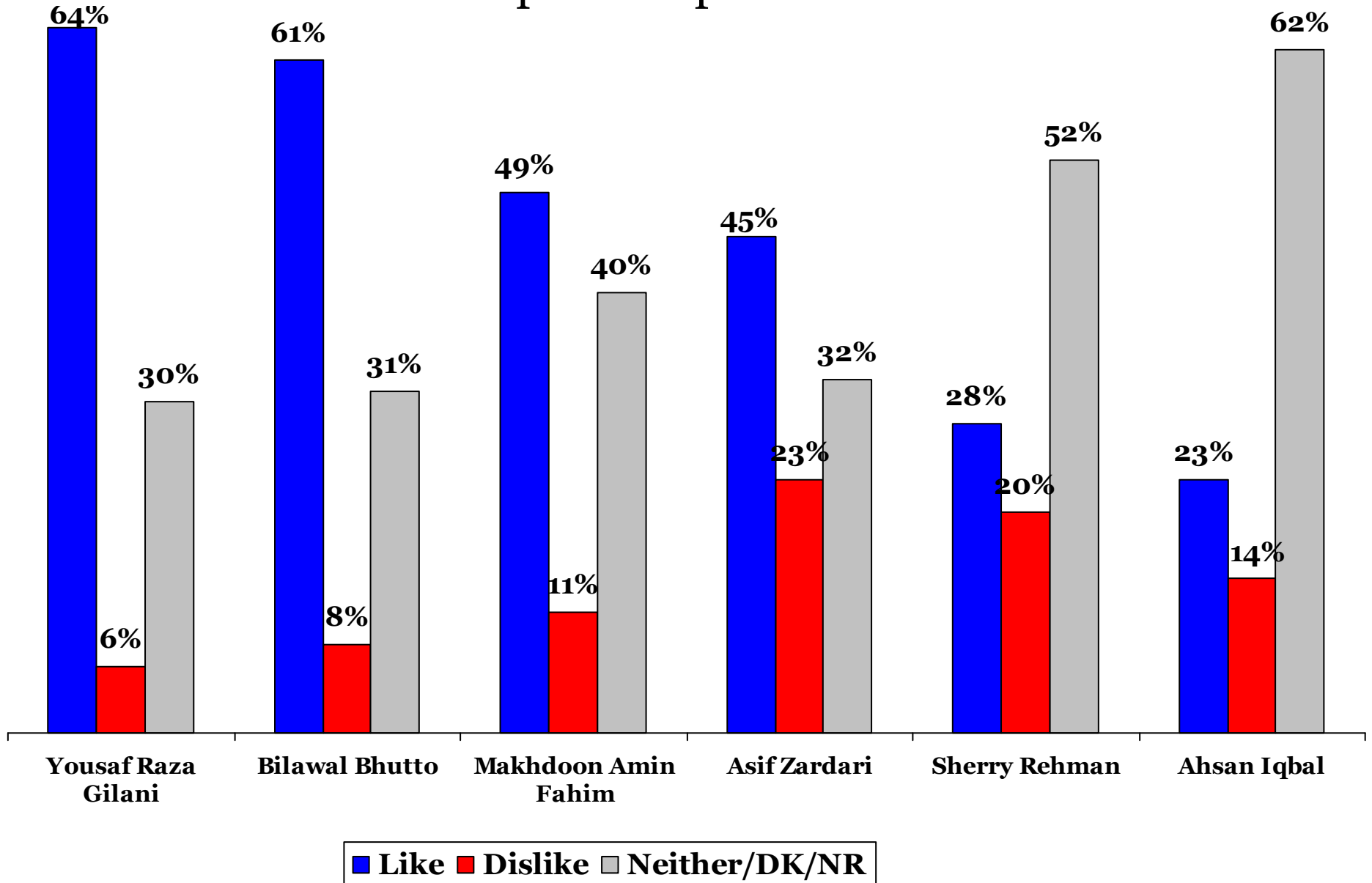
How would you rate the following institutions? (percent saying favorable)

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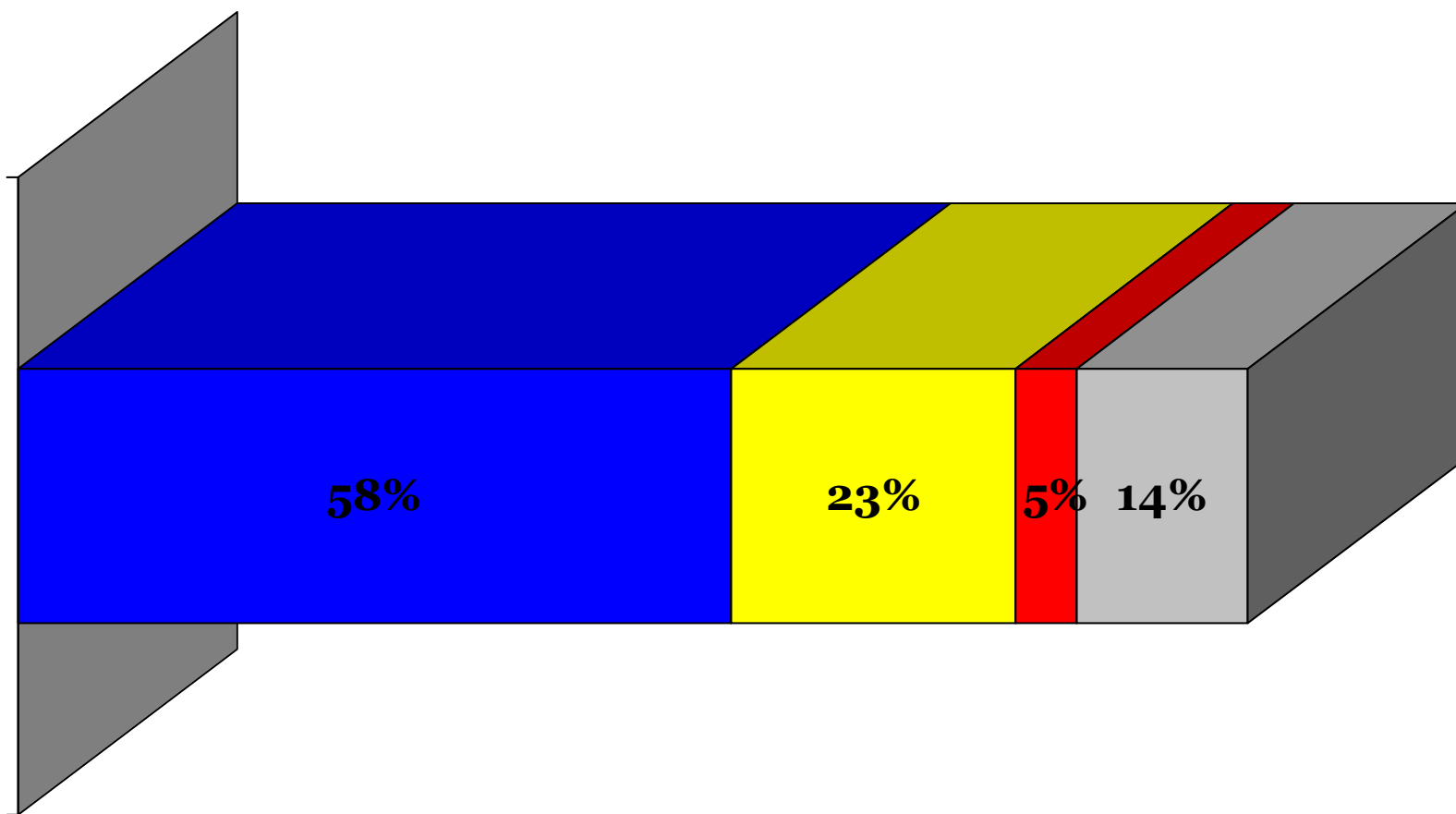


Would you say you liked or disliked the following political personalities?





The news is reporting that the PPPP/PML-N ruling coalition may fall apart. What is your opinion on the matter?

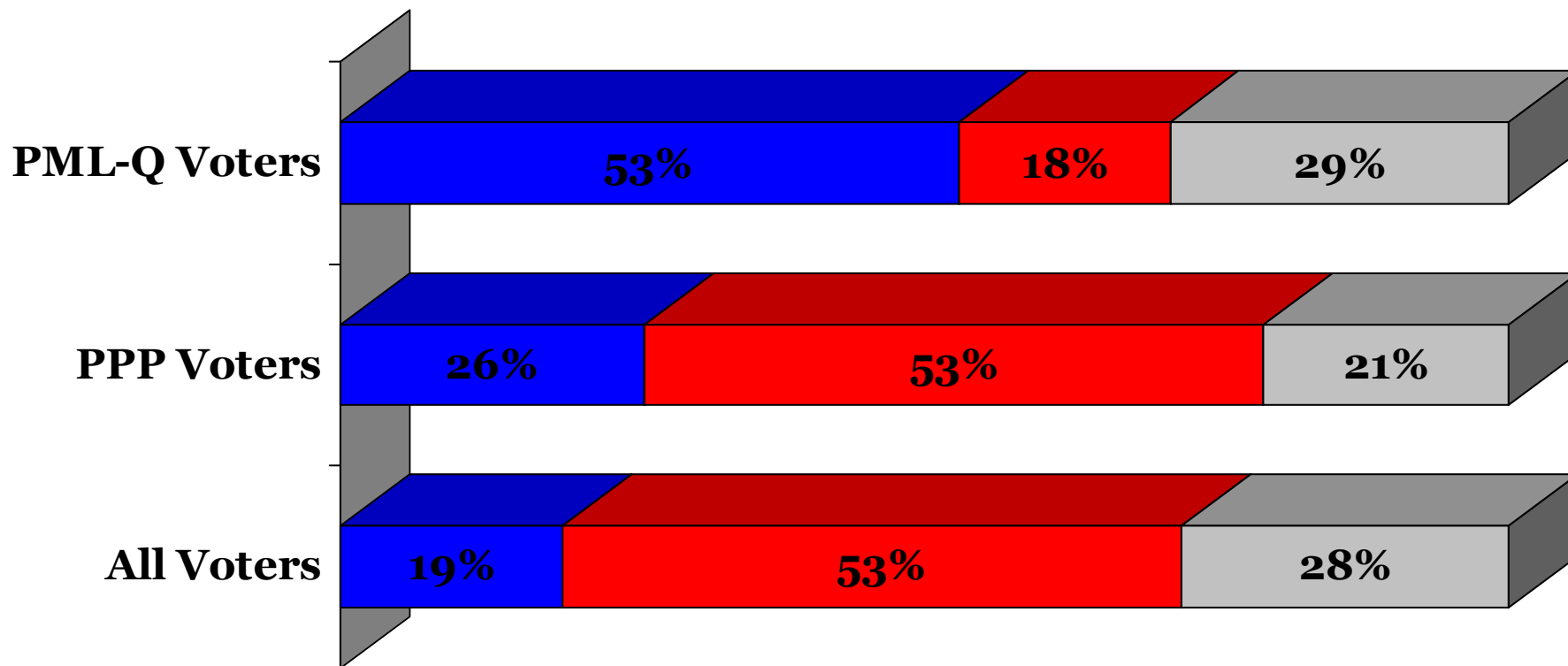


- I very strongly want the coalition to stay together**
- I do not care one way or the other**
- I very strongly want the coalition to break apart**
- DK/NR**



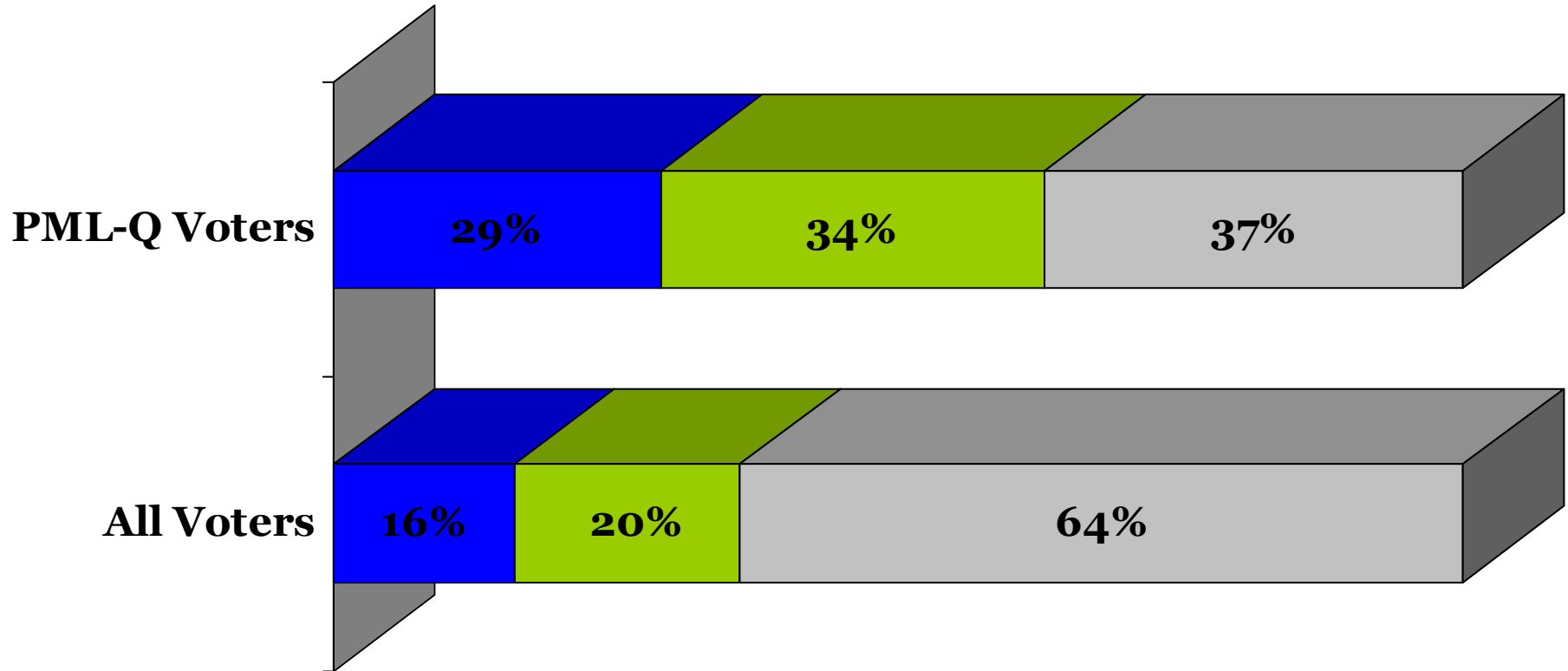
Do you support or oppose PPP forming a coalition with PML-Q?

(PML-Q voters n=132; PPP voters n=1,122)





Should PML-Q join a coalition with PPPP or with PML-N? (PML-Q voters n=132)

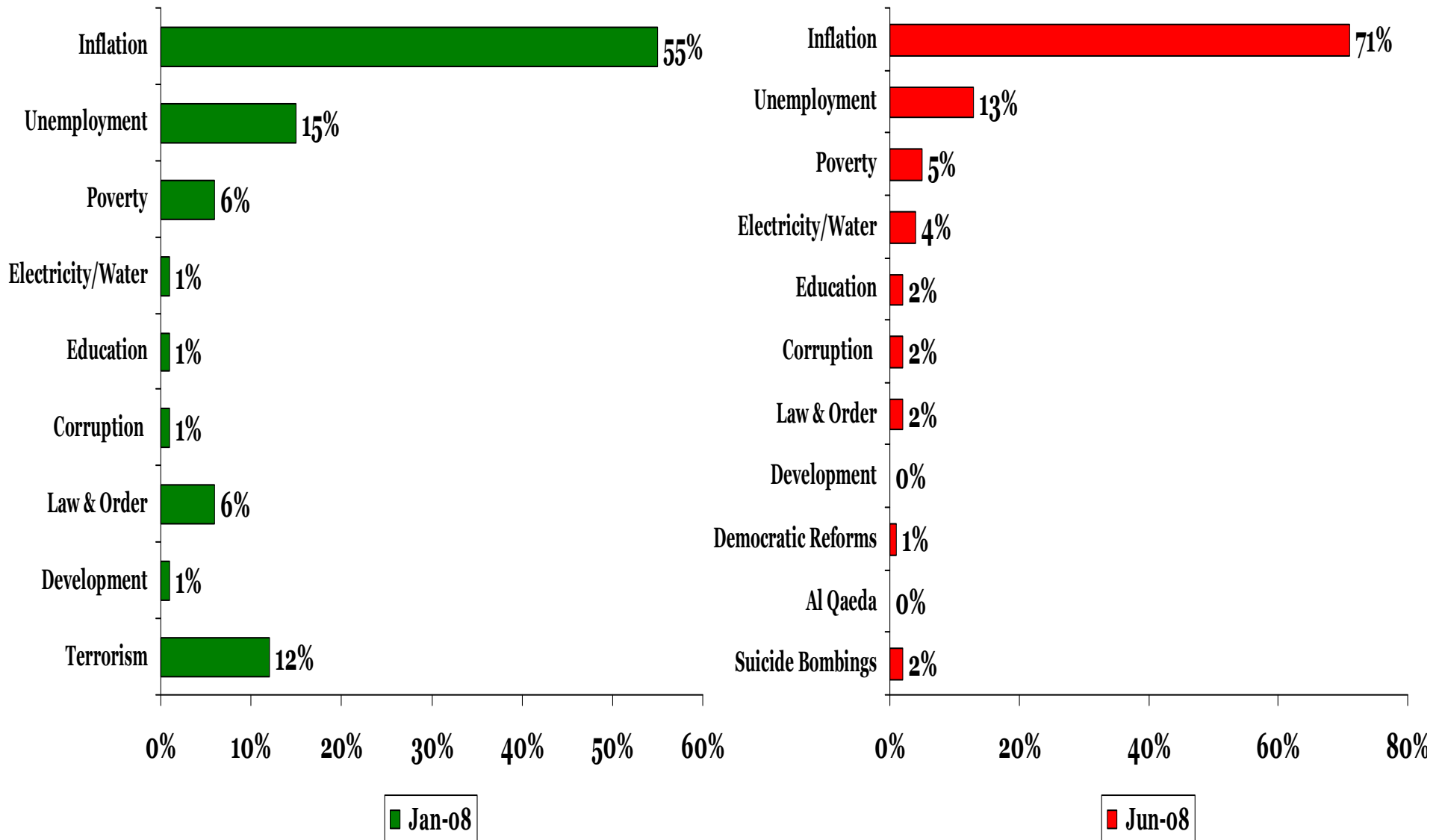




KEY ISSUES

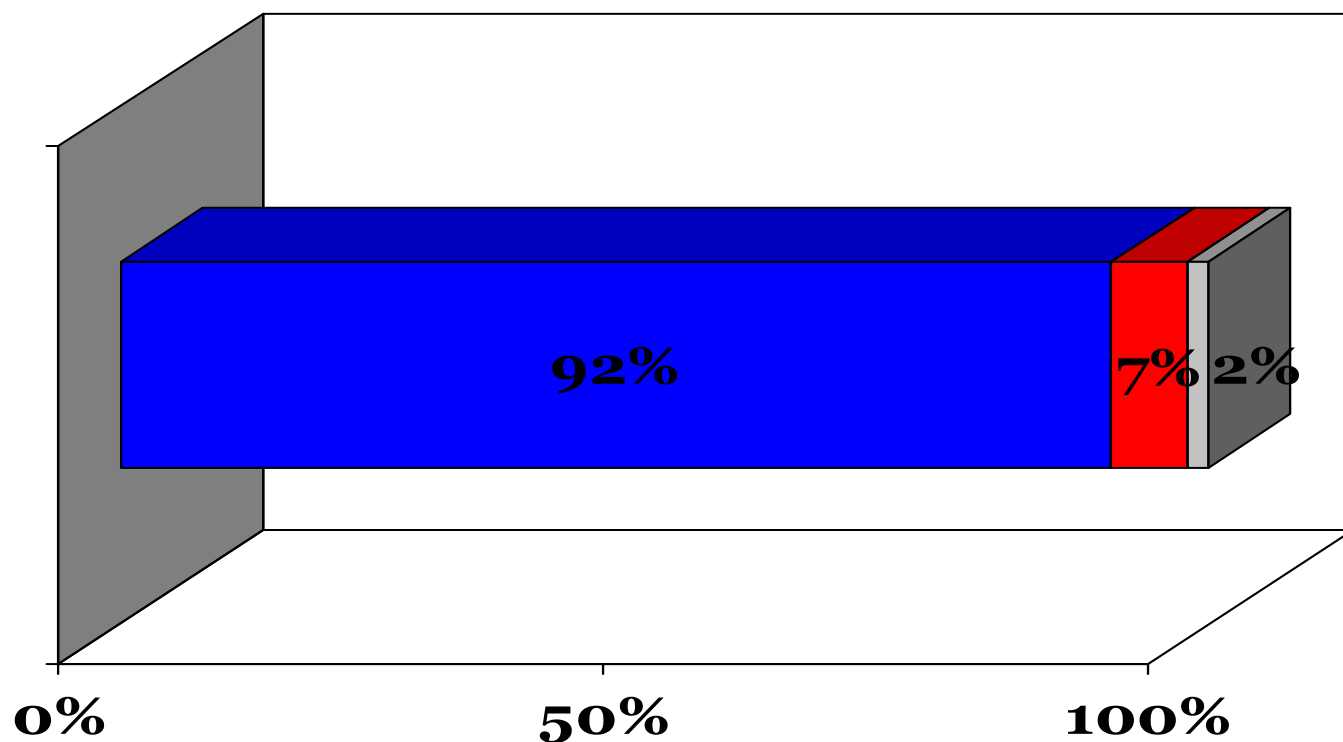


What is the most important issue facing Pakistan? *Comparing the January and June polls*





Agree or Disagree? The shortages of wheat, petrol, natural gas, and electricity are a serious problem.



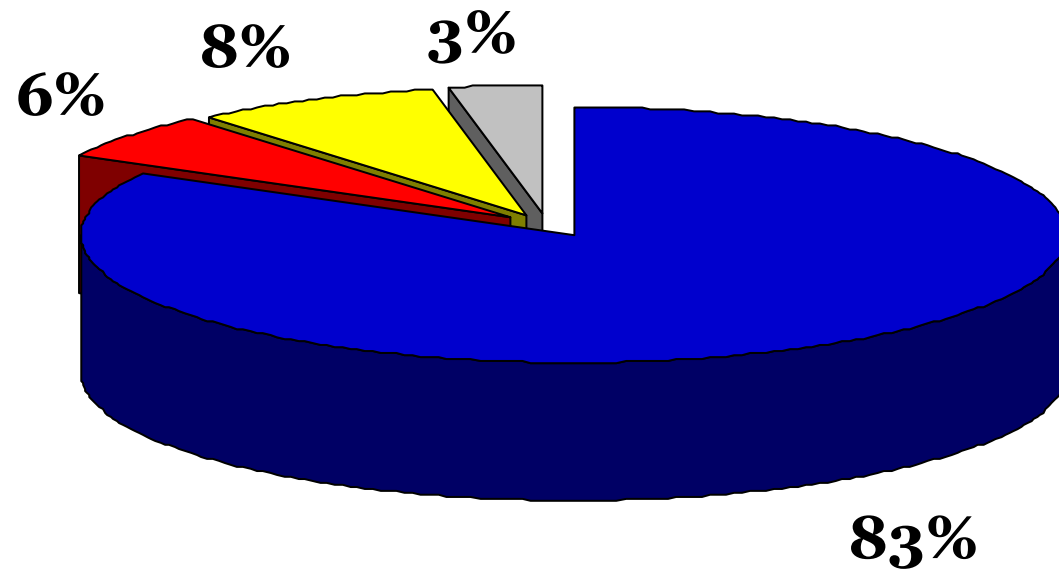
■ Agree

■ Disagree

■ DK/NR

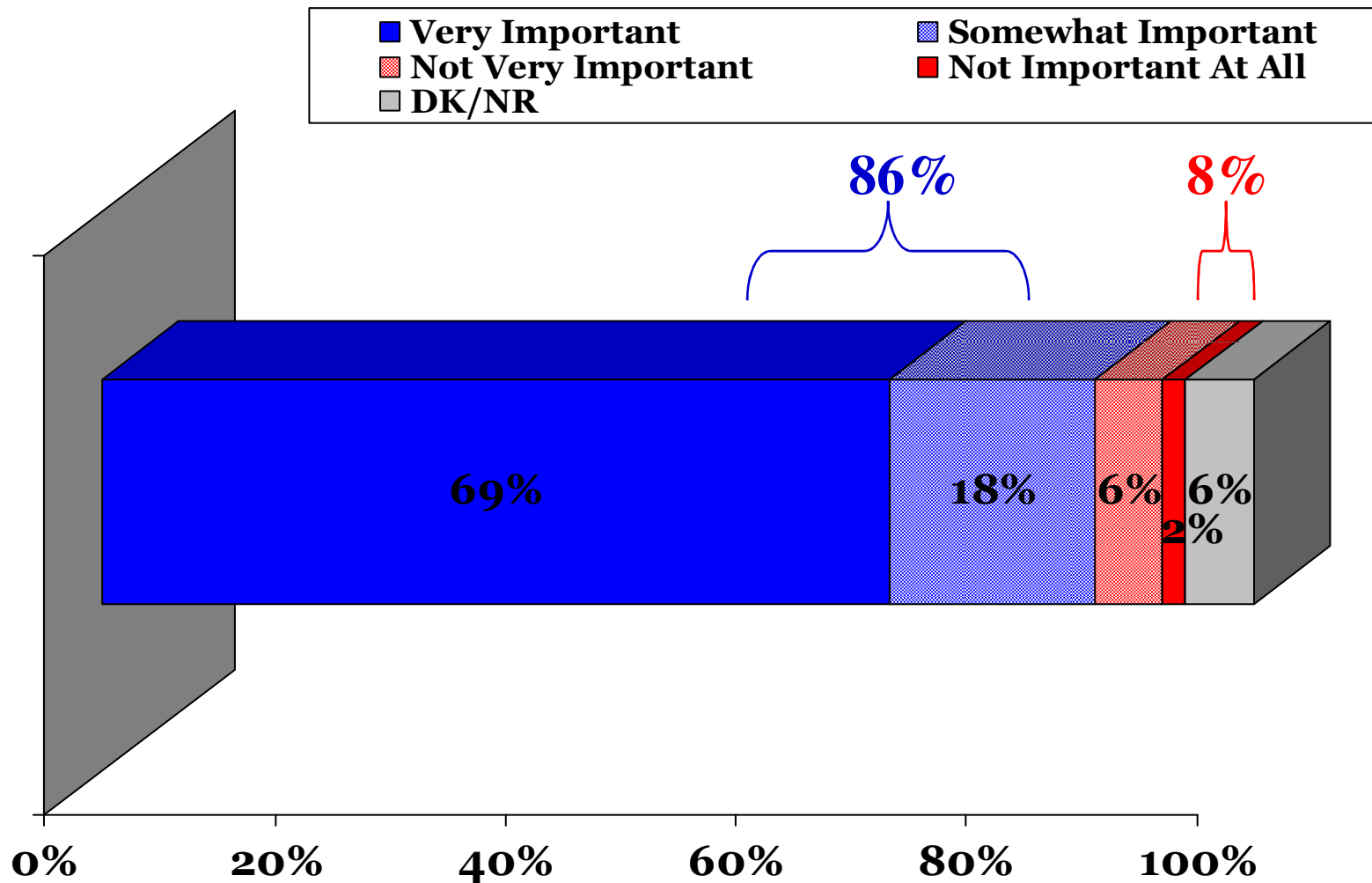


Should the new government reinstate the old Supreme Court that Musharraf deposed last fall?



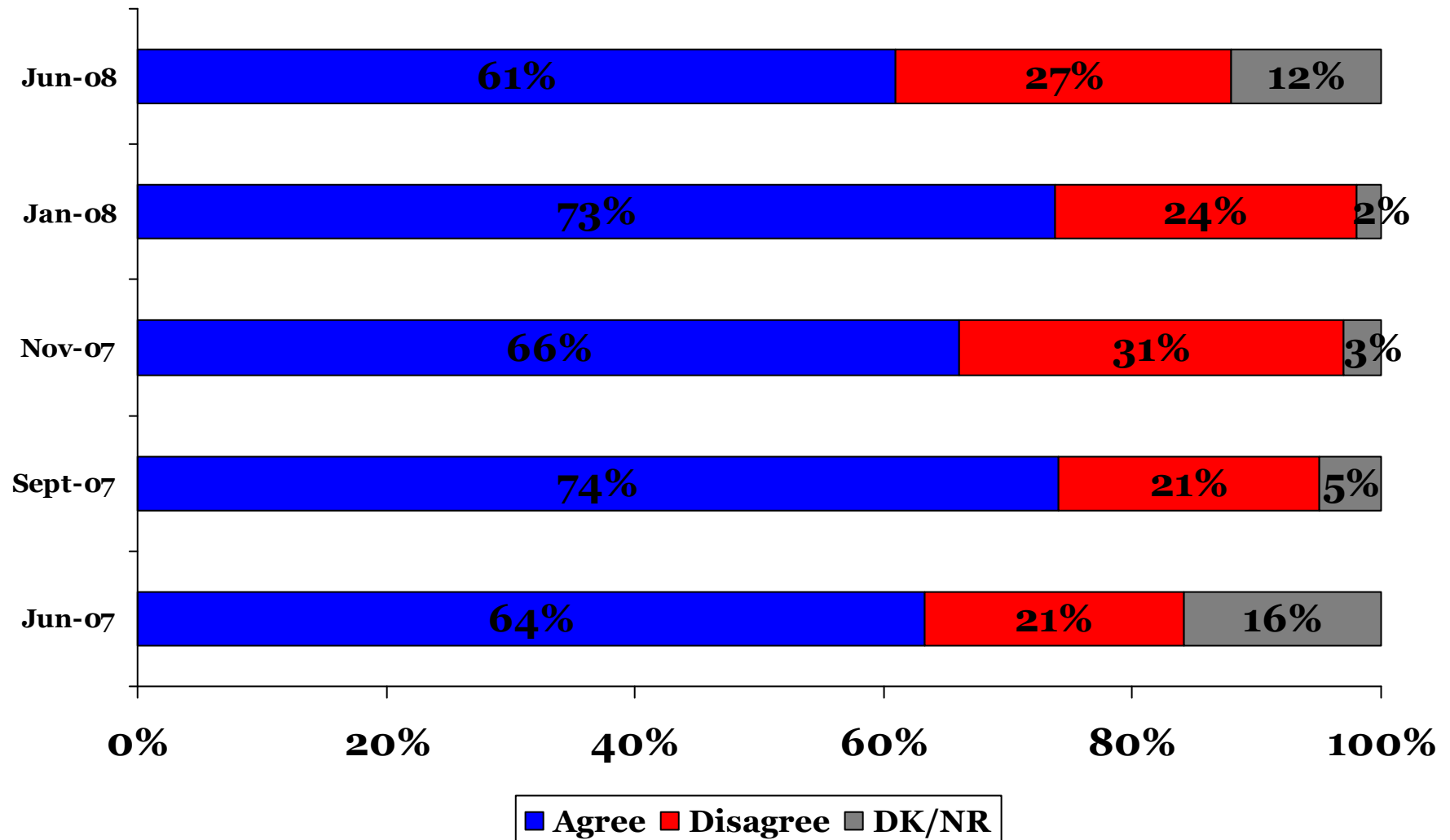


How important is it to you that the new government restores the old Supreme Court?



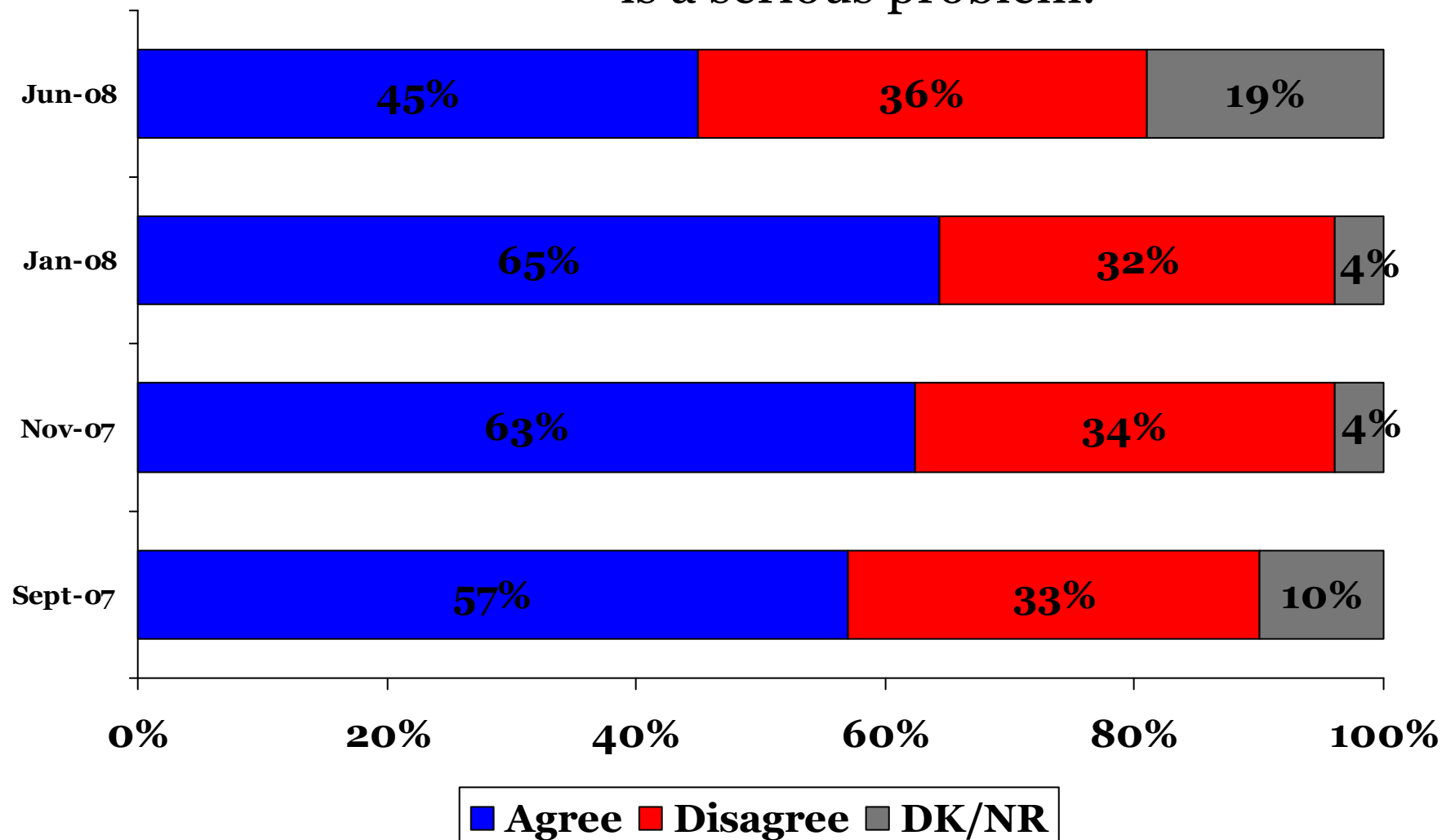


Agree or Disagree? Religious extremism is a serious problem in Pakistan.



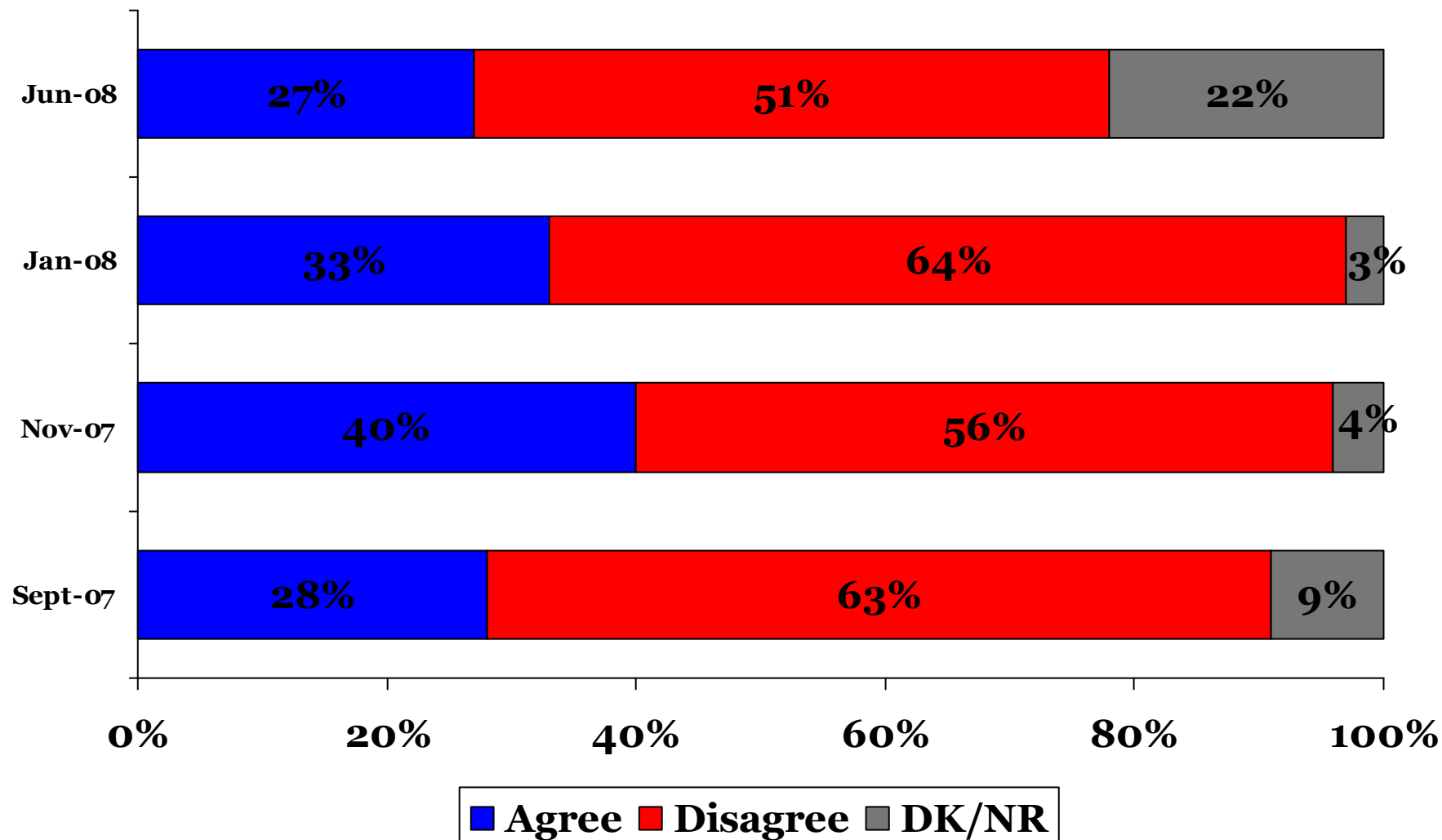


Agree or Disagree? The Taliban and Al-Qaeda operating in Pakistan is a serious problem.





Agree or Disagree? I support the Army fighting the extremists in NWFP and FATA.

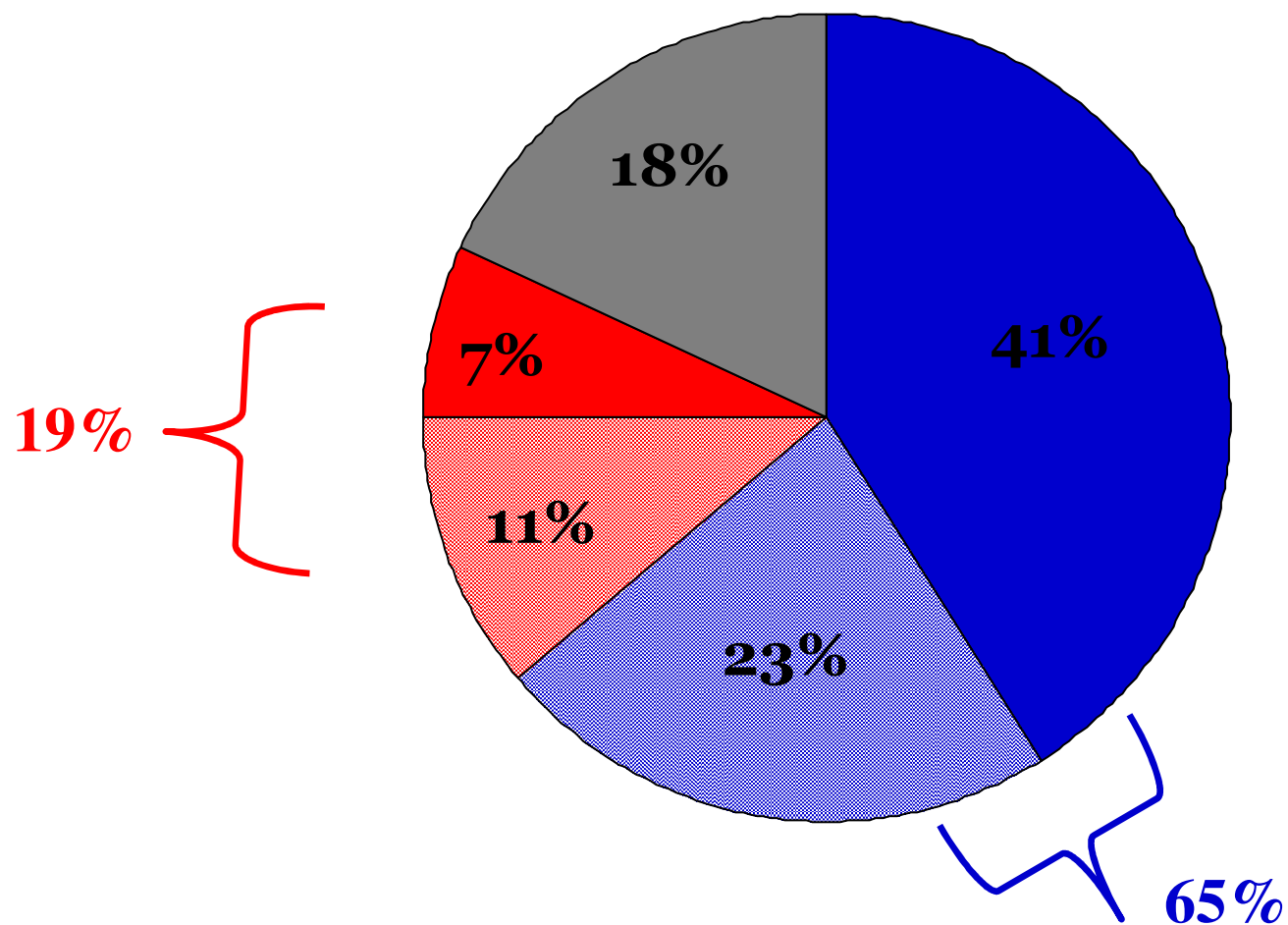




Agree or disagree? I support a peace deal with the extremists

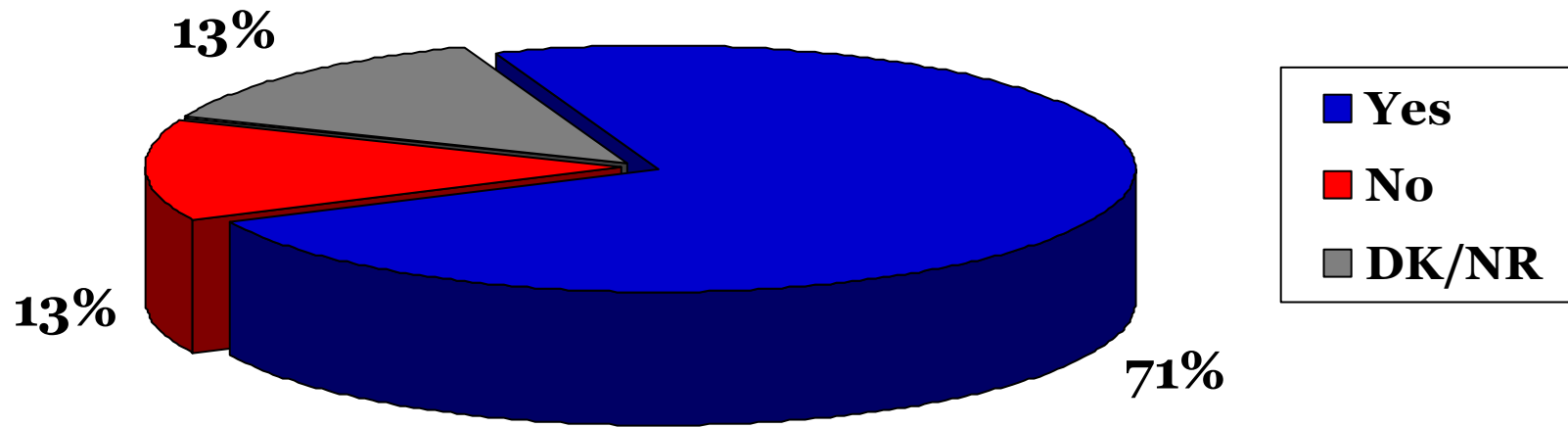
NOTE: Numbers differ due to rounding

■ Strongly Agree ■ Agree ■ Disagree ■ Strongly Disagree ■ DK/NR



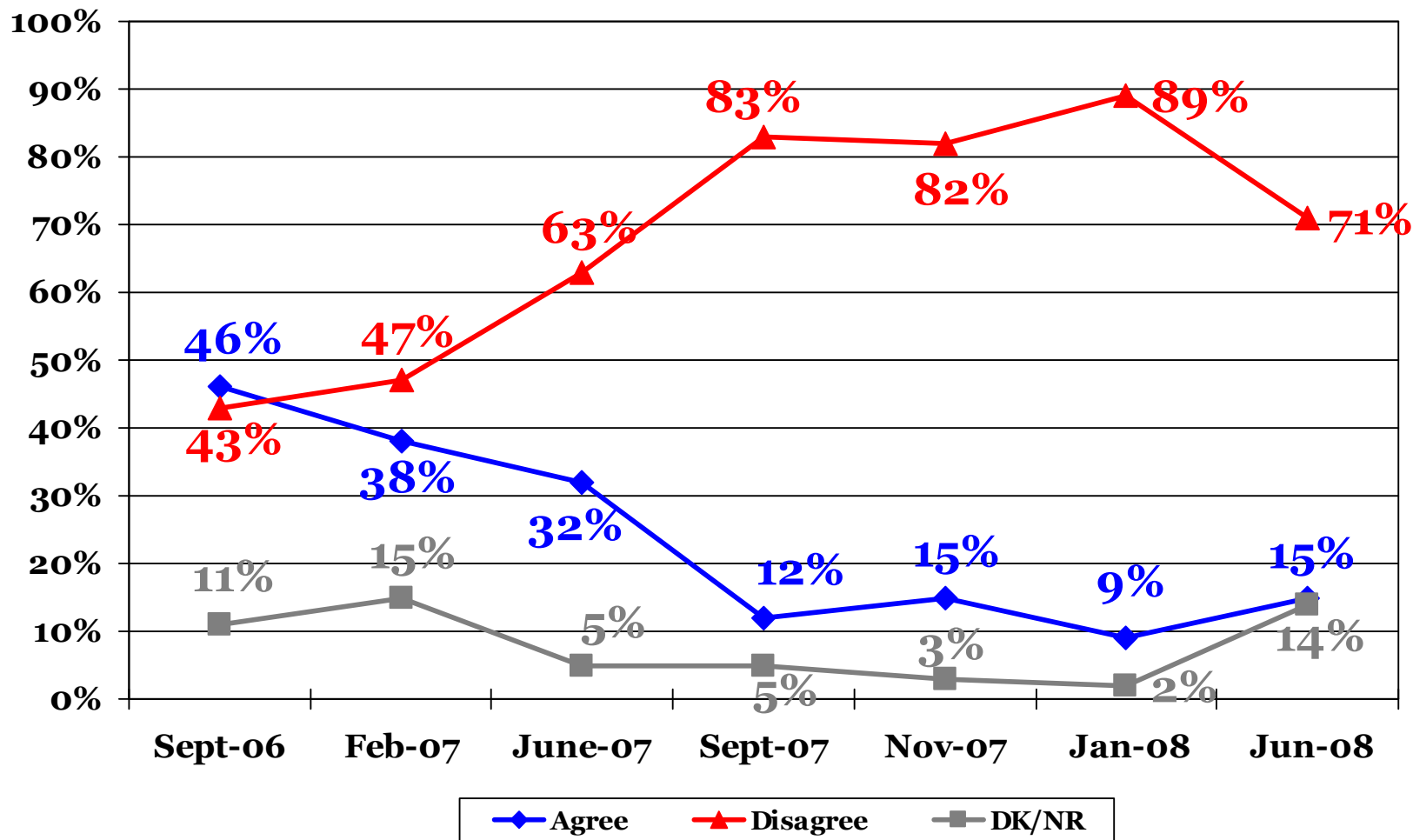


Do you think that the new government should engage in political dialogue with the extremists?



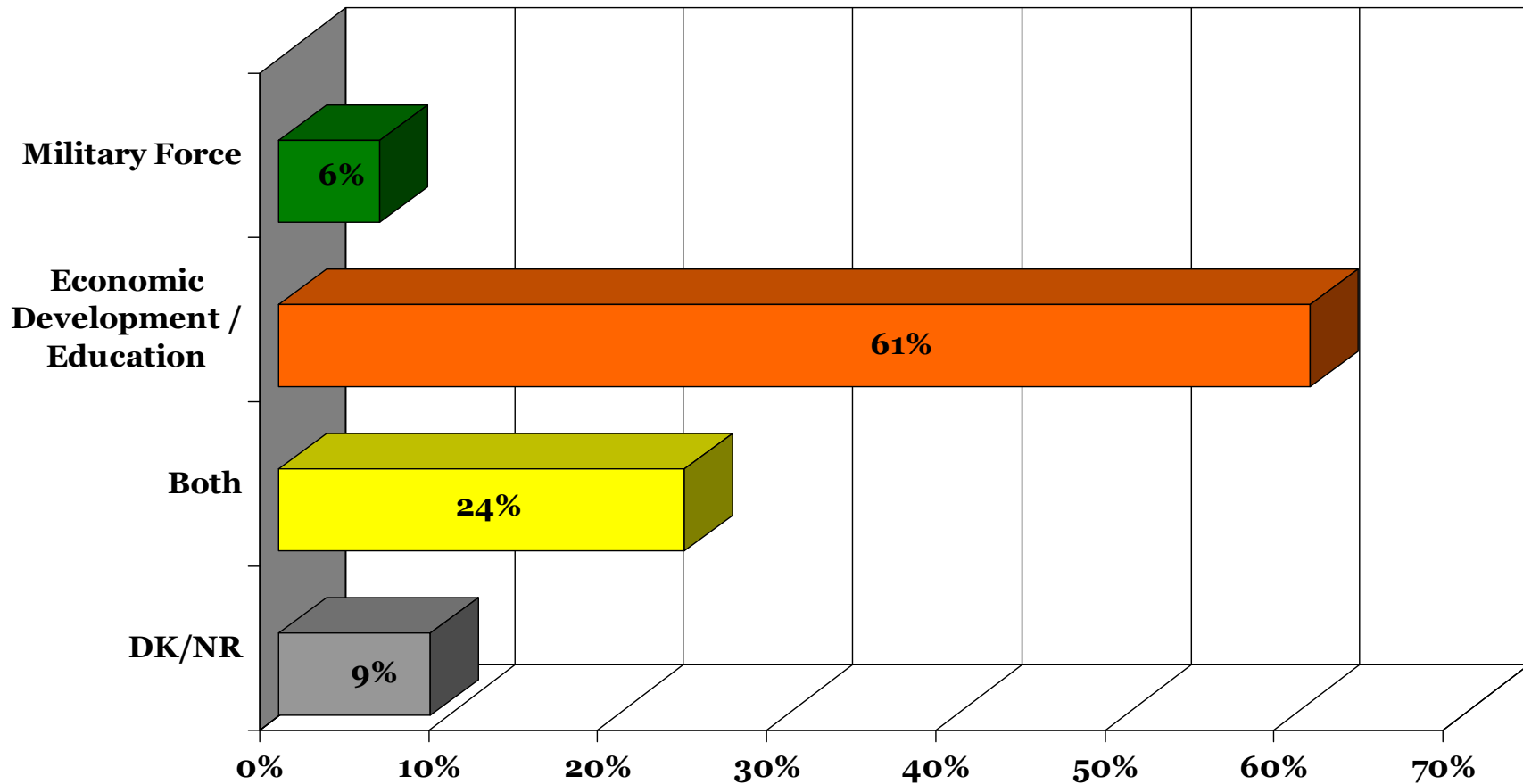


Do you think that Pakistan should cooperate with the United States on its war against terror?



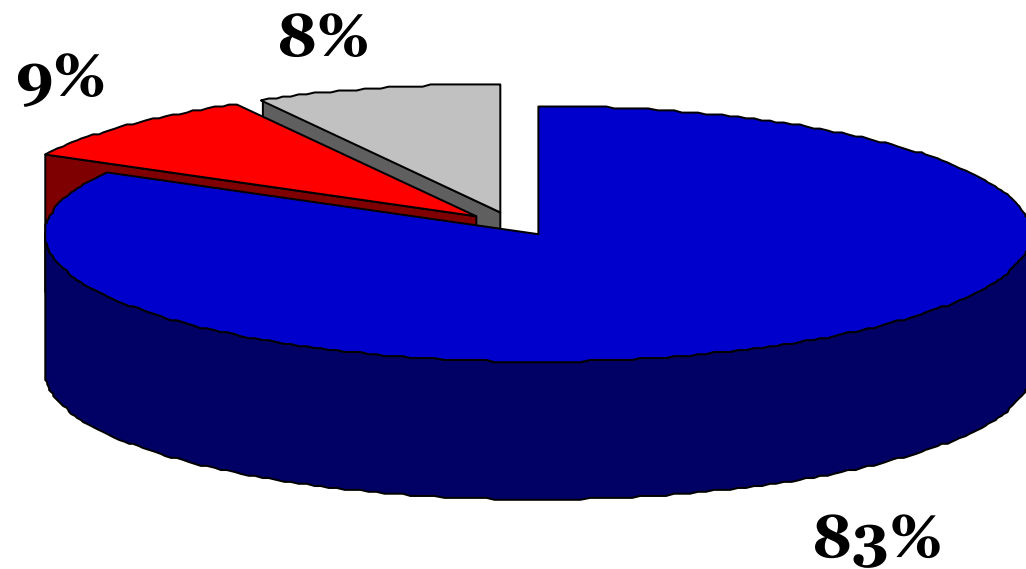


Some people feel that the best way to deal with the extremists is to use military force, while others say the best approach involves education and economic development. Which do you think would be most effective?





The Prime Minister has announced that a Madrassa Welfare Authority will be created to examine all of the madrassas in the country. Do you support this authority?



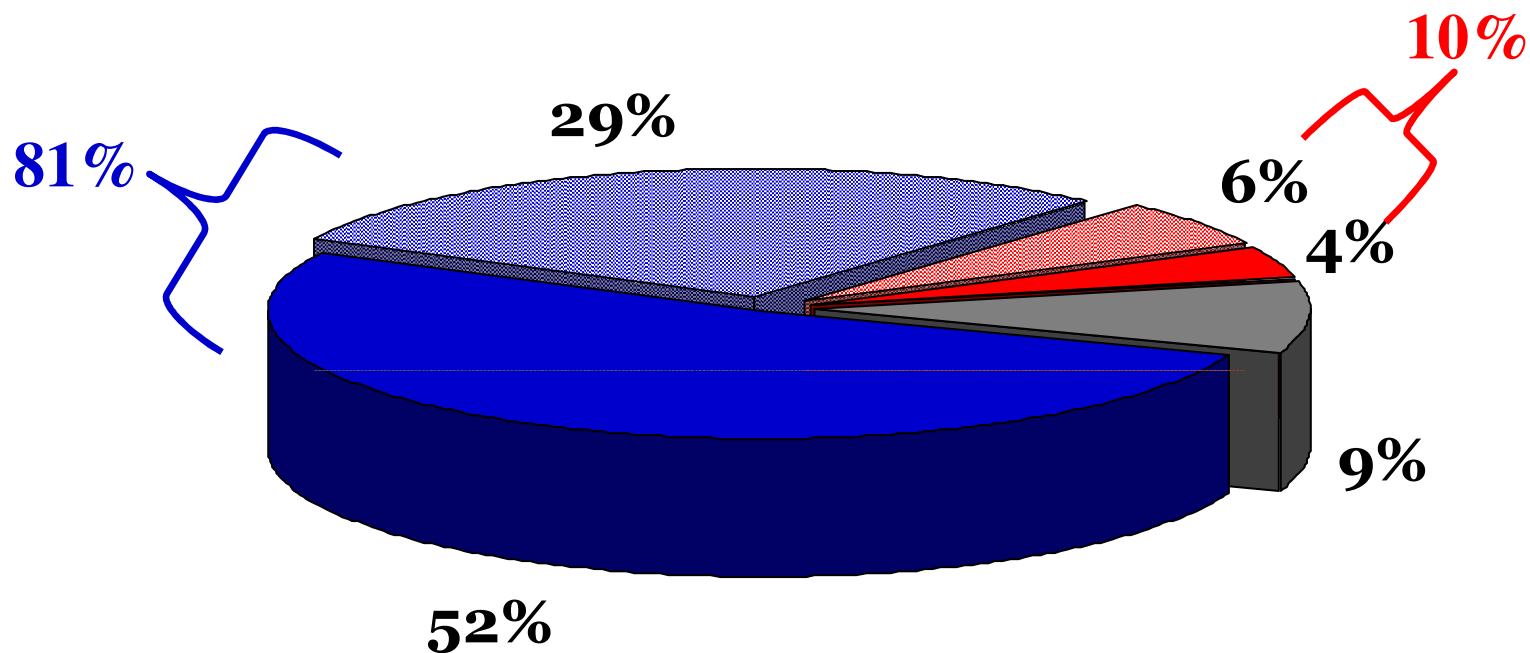


Prime Minister Yosuf Raza Gilani recently made the following statement:

“The elimination of terrorism will be our government's highest priority and we intend to vigorously continue the war against terrorism with the support of the people. However, Pakistan must fight terrorism for Pakistan's sake; Pakistan must fight Pakistan's War on Terror, not America's war on terror. Our strategy will be multifaceted. We will use force against terrorists, engage in a dialogue with those tribes who were misled into supporting the terrorists, and also provide economic development and education. Pakistan will not negotiate with terrorists, but it will talk with insurgent tribesmen whose withdrawal of support will isolate the terrorists. Yet no talks will be held with anyone refusing to lay down arms. We will use force against violations of any peace agreements.”



Do you agree or disagree with Prime Minister Gilani's statement?



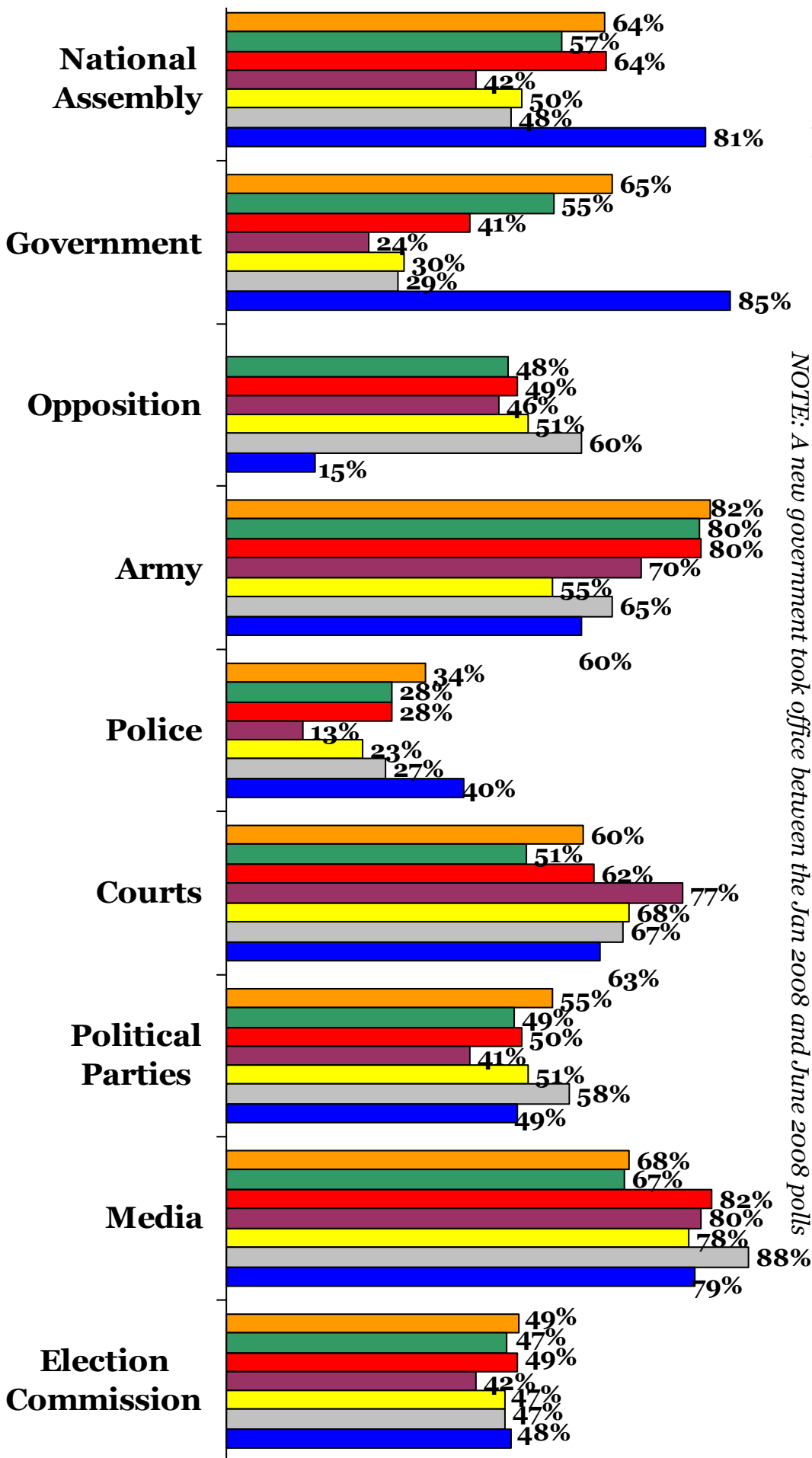


INSTITUTIONAL RATINGS



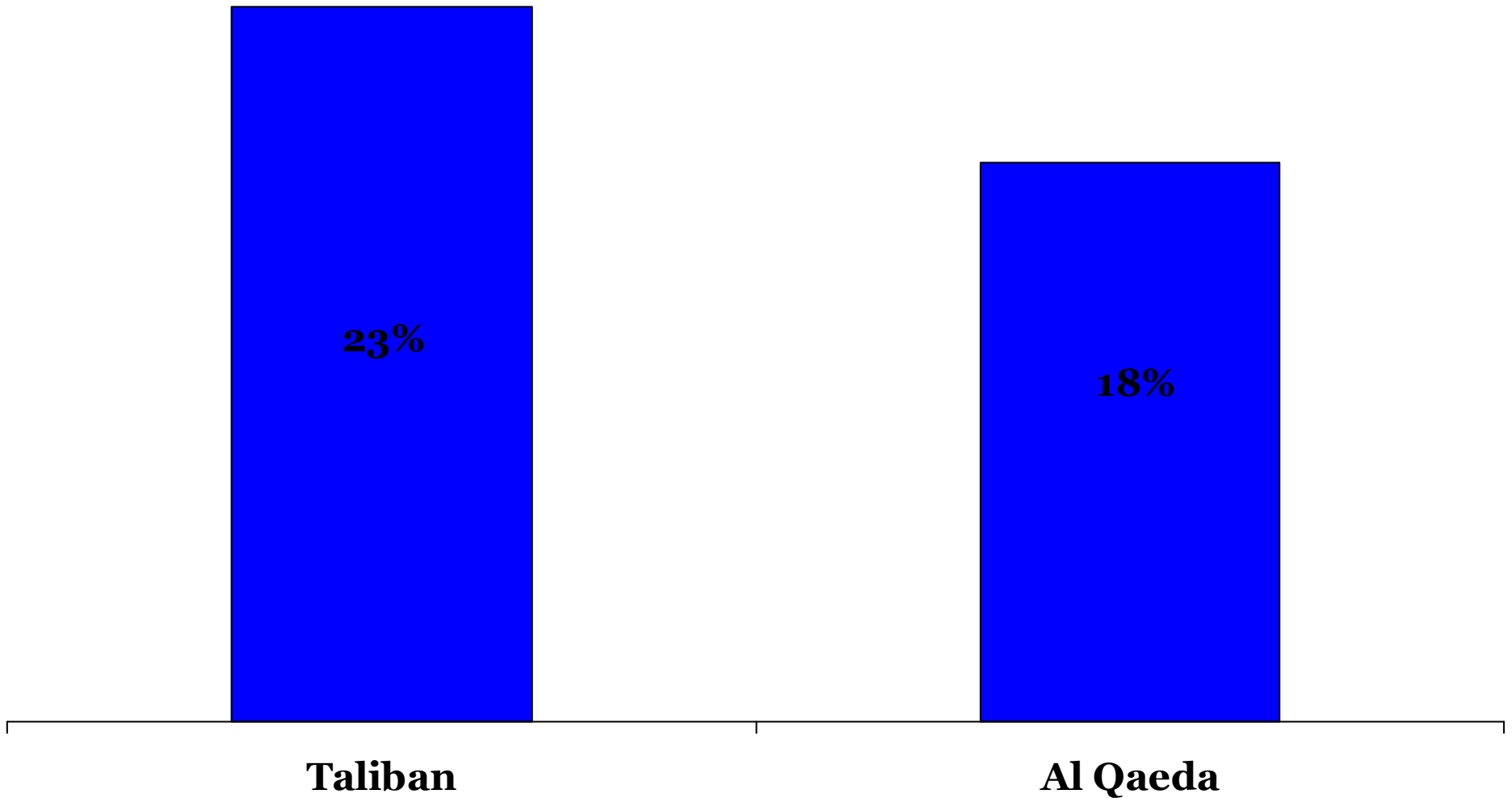
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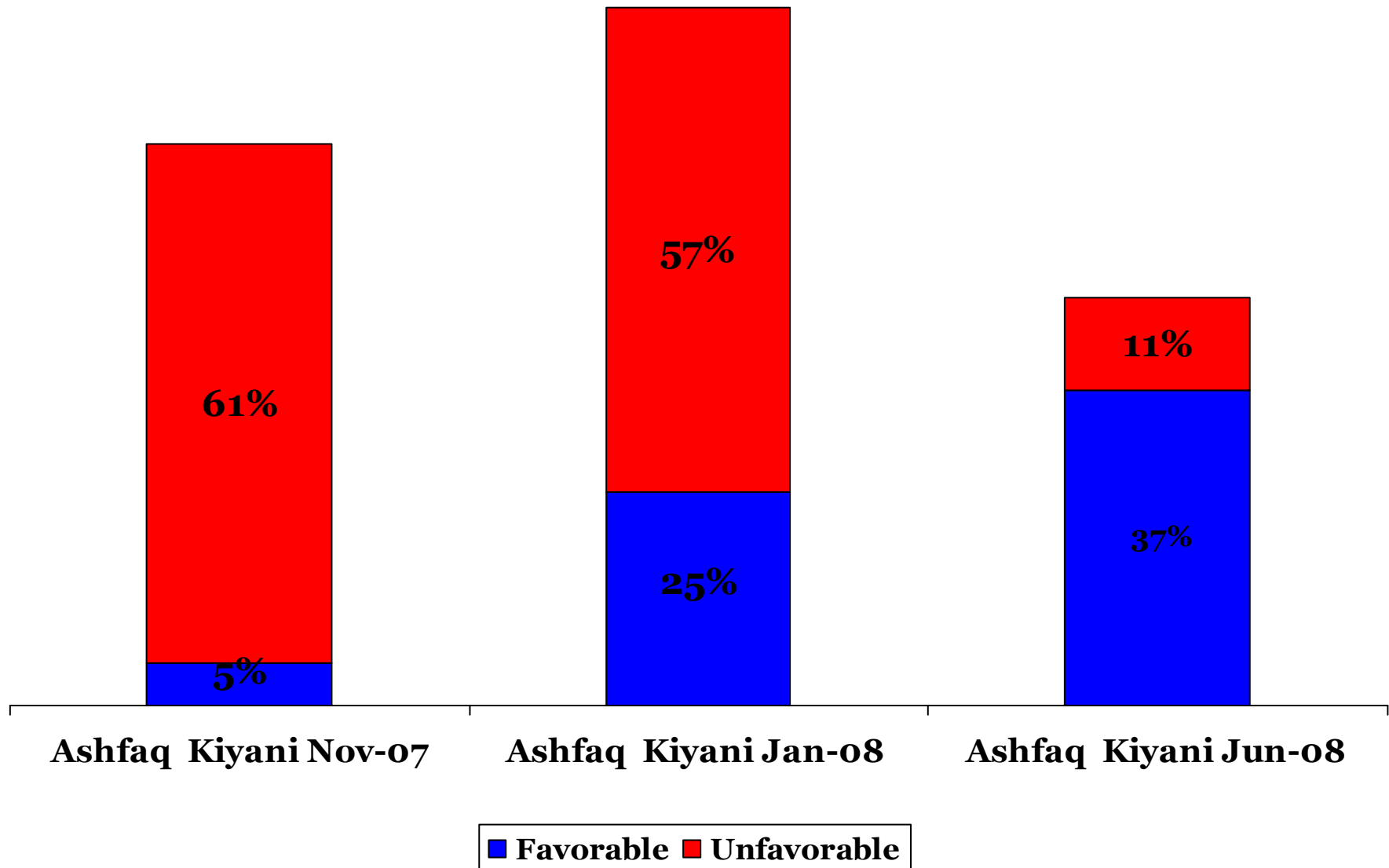


THE ARMY



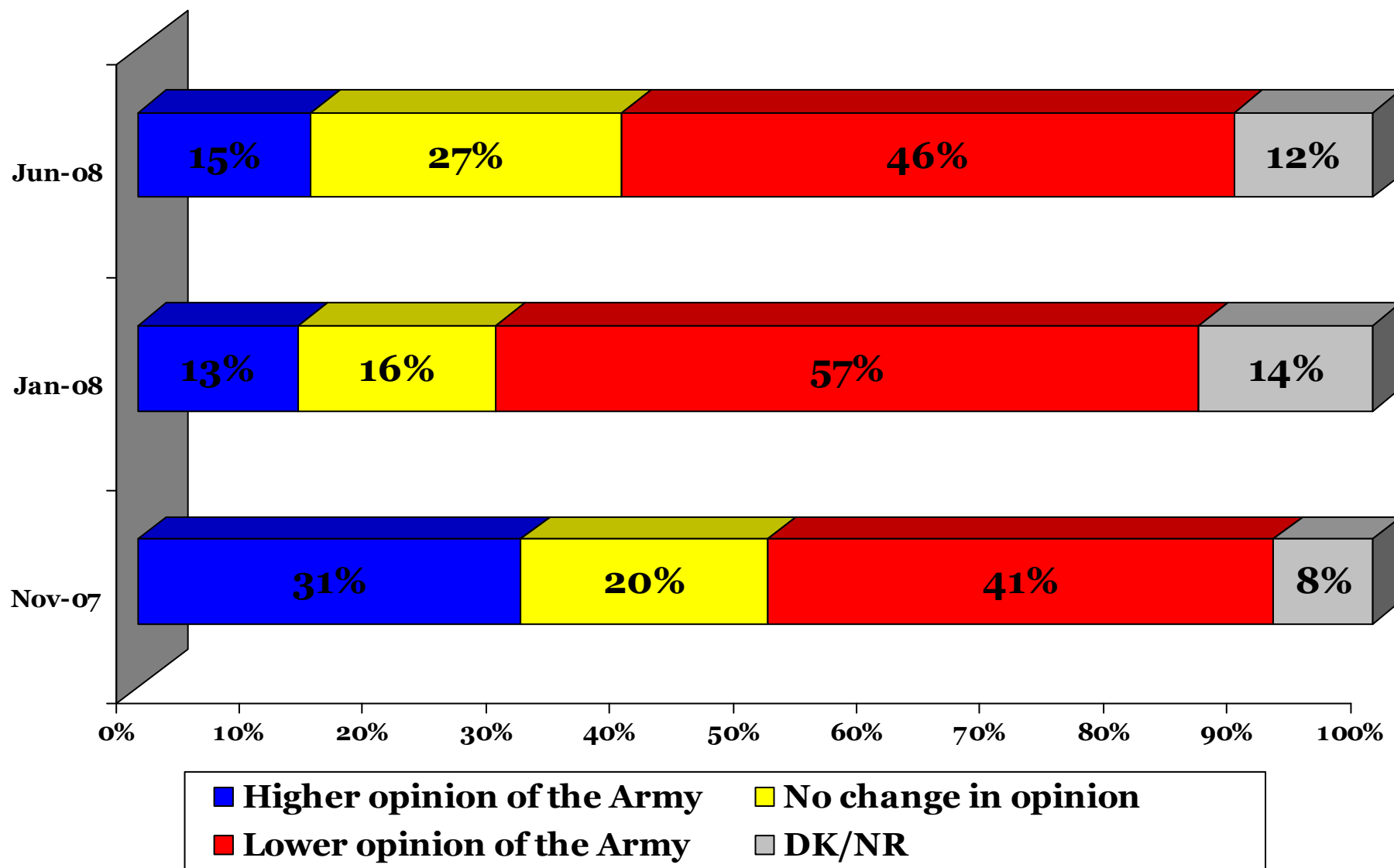
How would you rate each of the following political personalities?

NOTE: Ashfaq Kiyani is the Army Chief of Staff



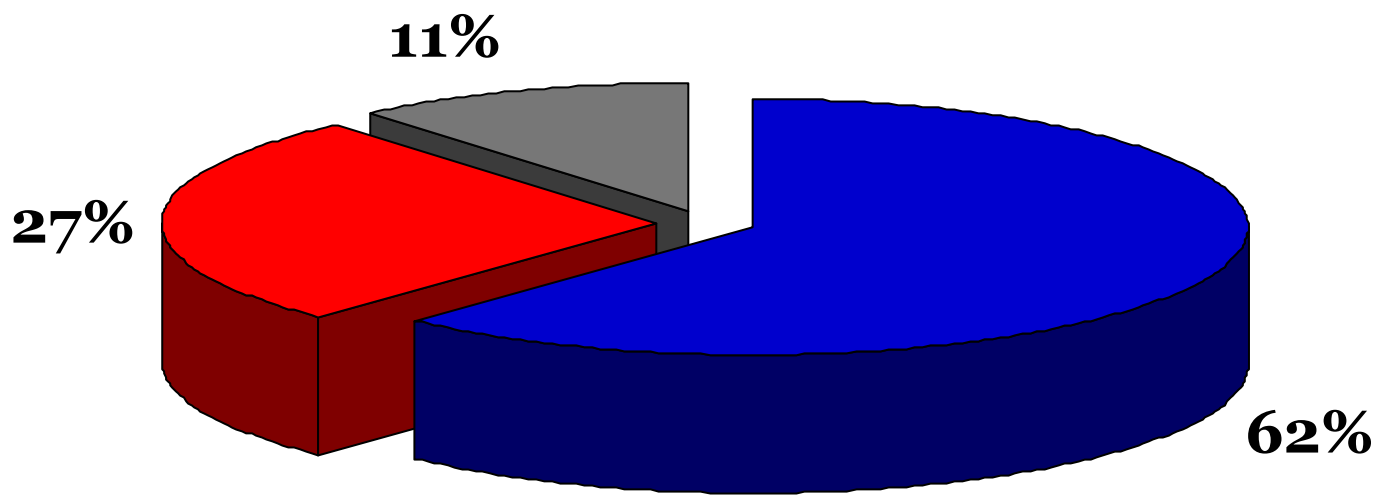


How has the performance of President Musharraf affected your opinion of the Army ?





Agree or Disagree? The Army should have no role in the civilian government.



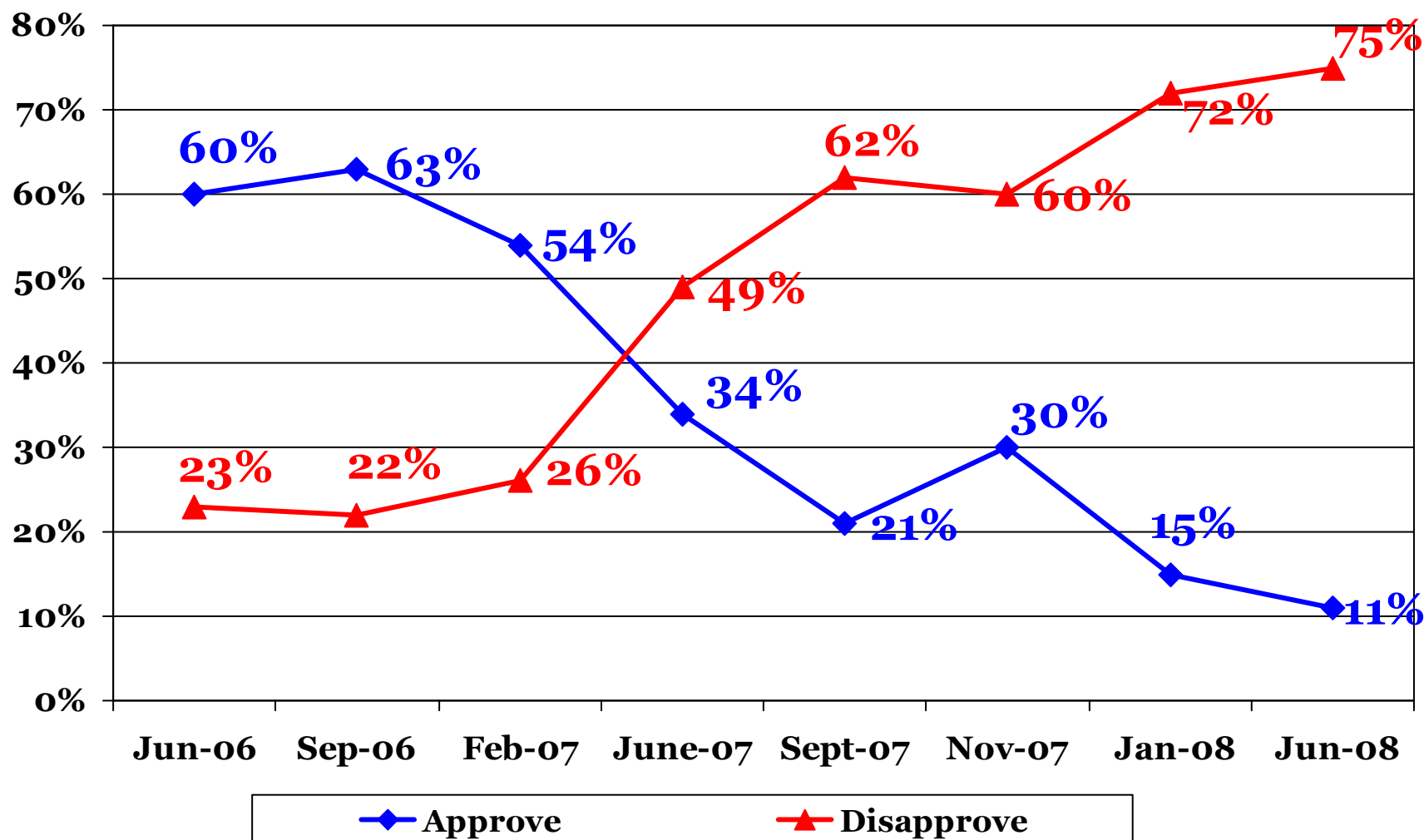
■ Agree ■ Disagree ■ DK/NR



LEADERSHIP RATINGS

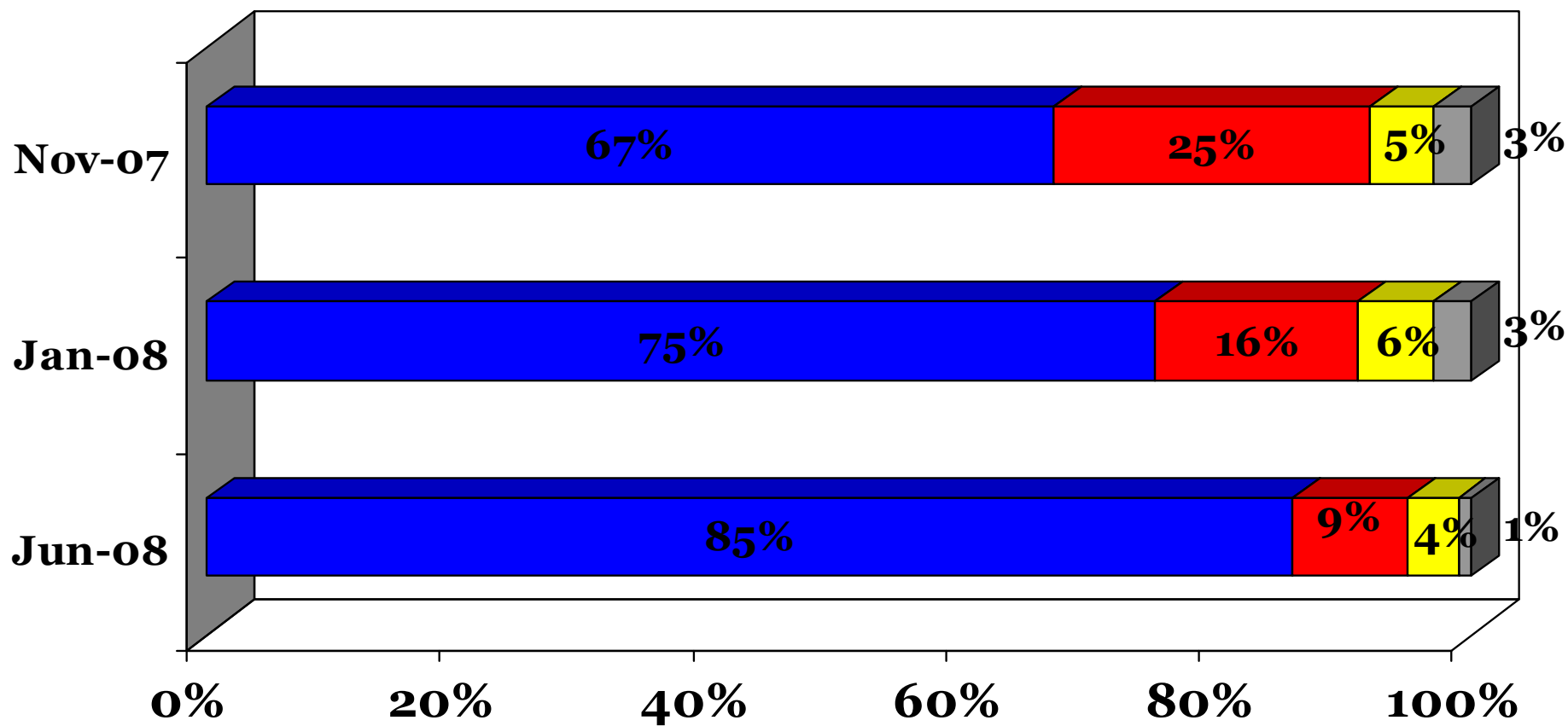


Do you approve or disapprove of the job President Musharraf is doing?



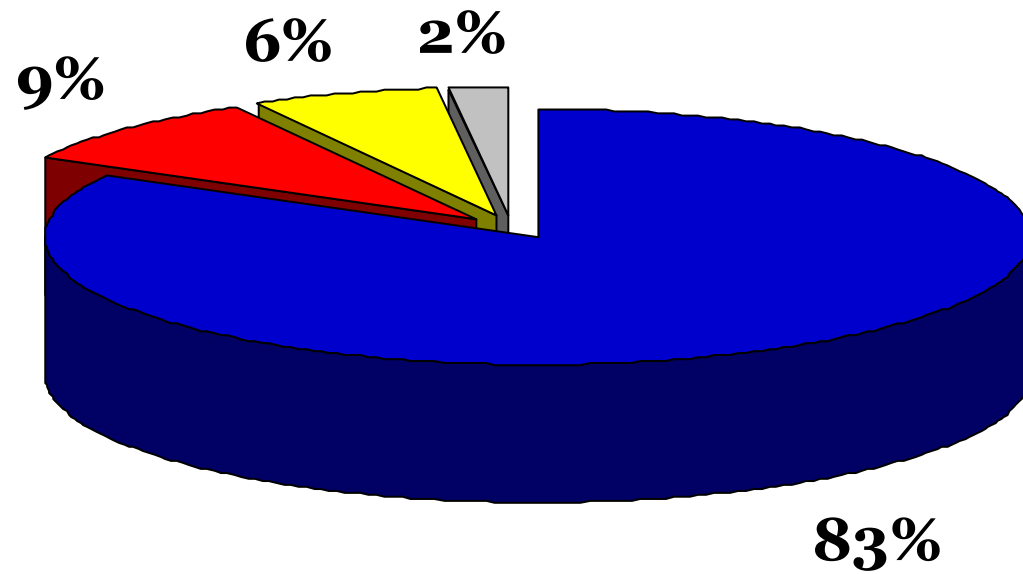


Do you think President Musharraf should resign?



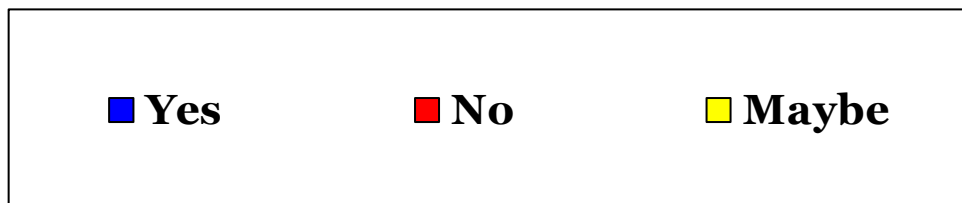
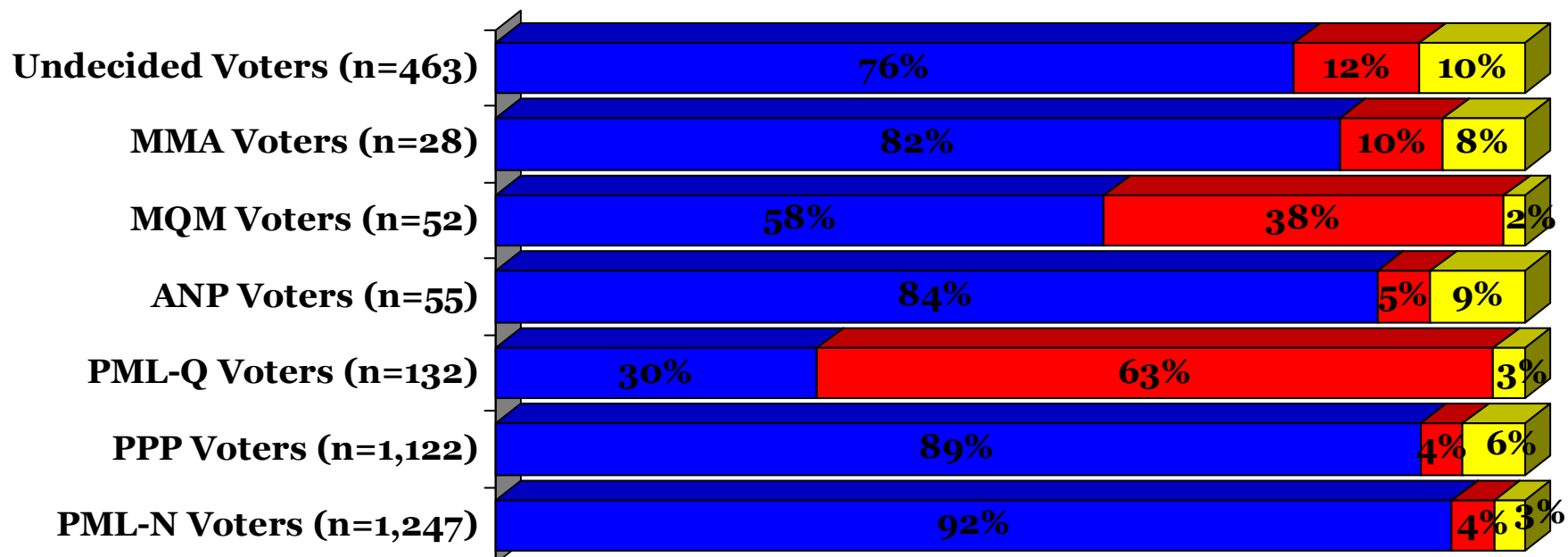


Do you think the new government should remove President Musharraf from office?



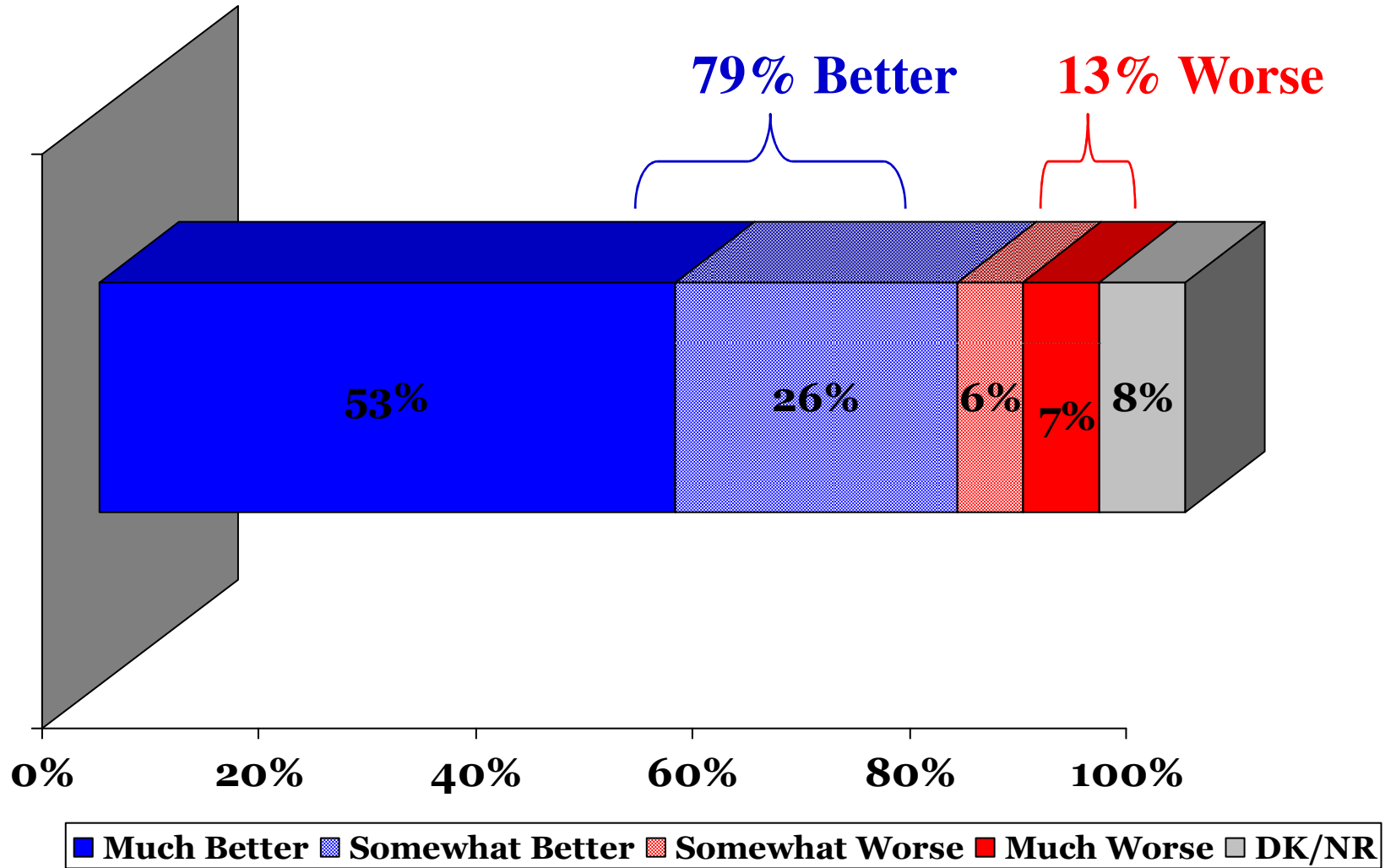


Do you think the new government should remove President Musharraf from office? (by party voters)





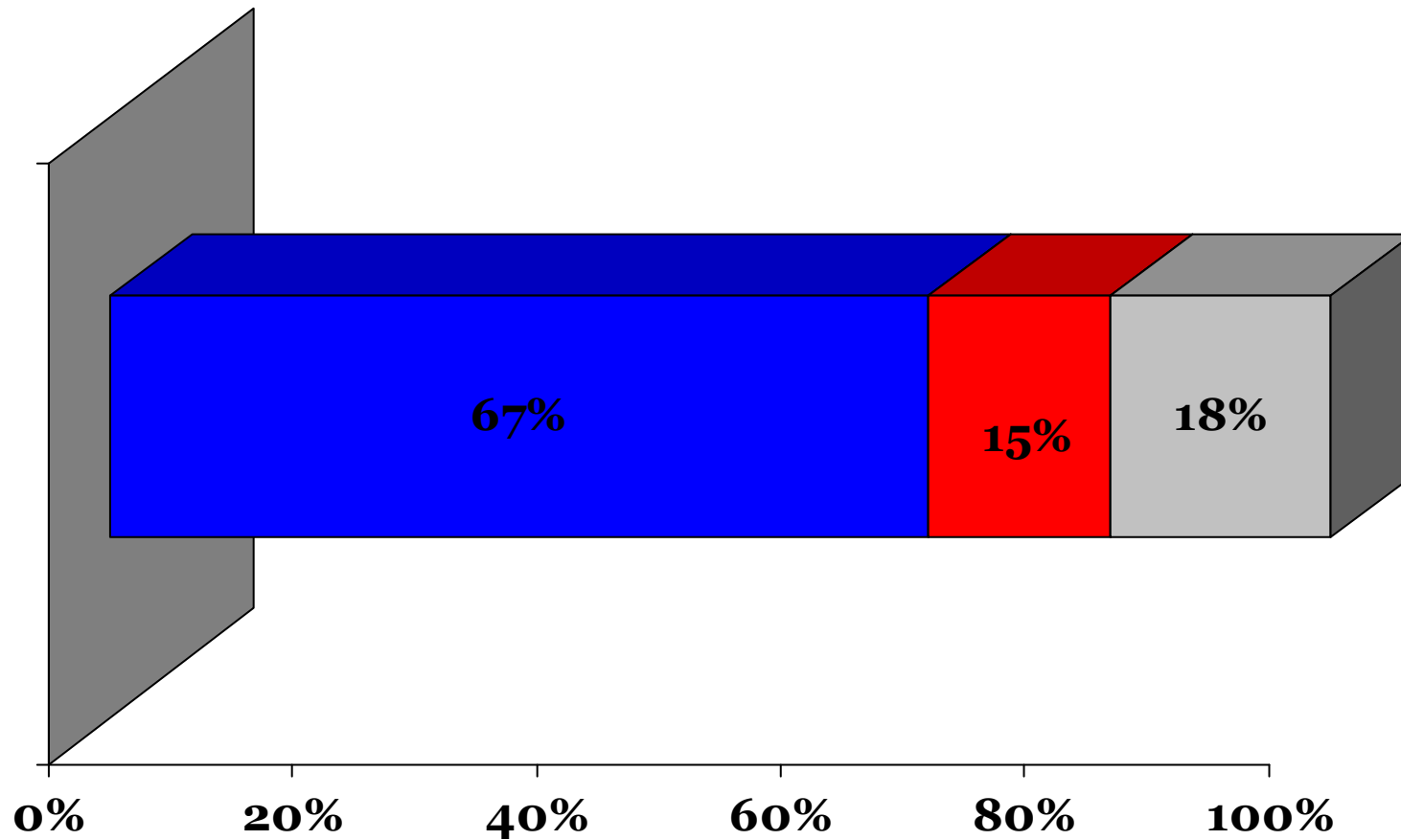
If President Musharraf was out of office, would you feel better or worse about the future of Pakistan?



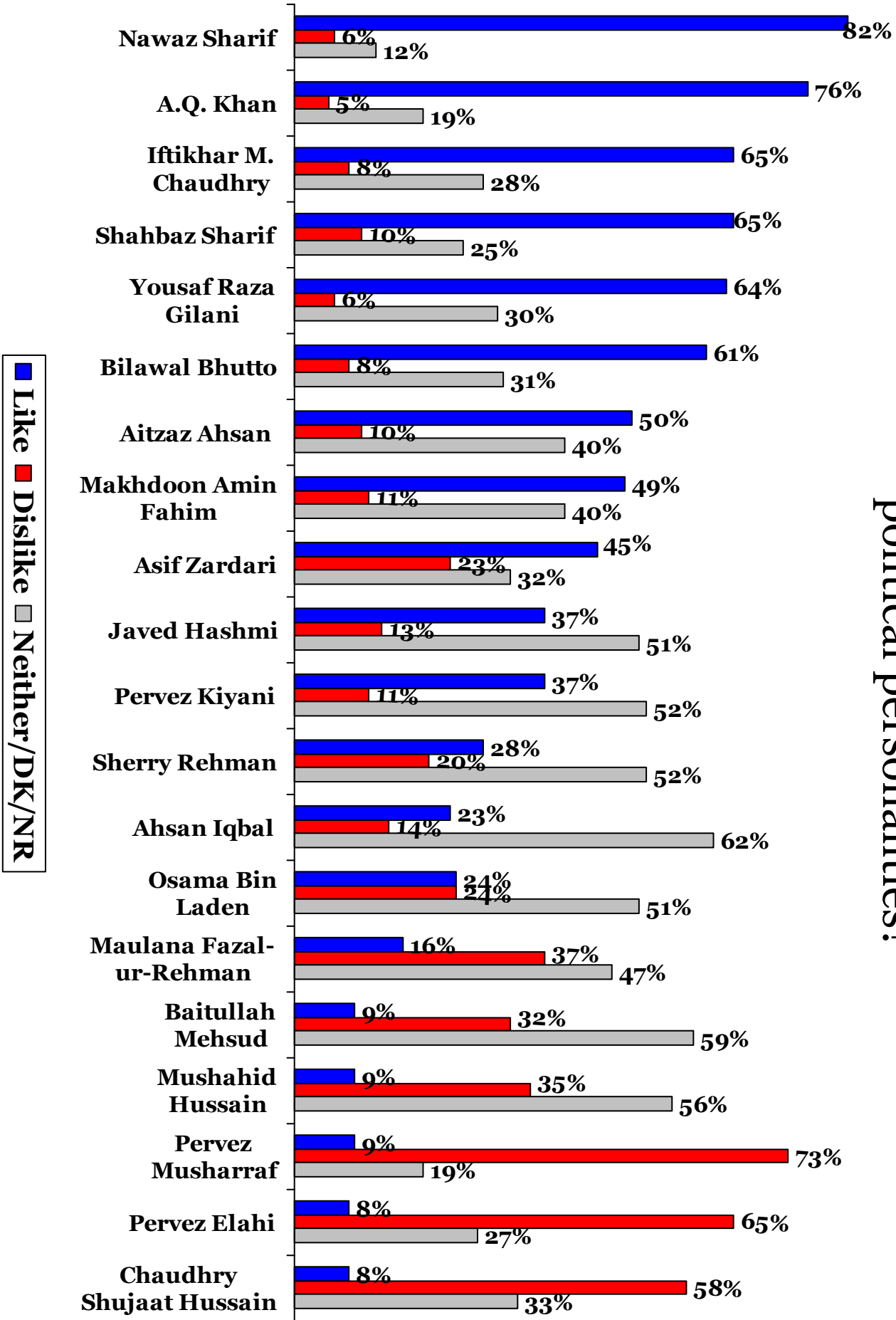


Would you support the election of A.Q. Khan as president?

■ Yes ■ No ■ DK/NR



Would you say you liked or disliked the following political personalities?

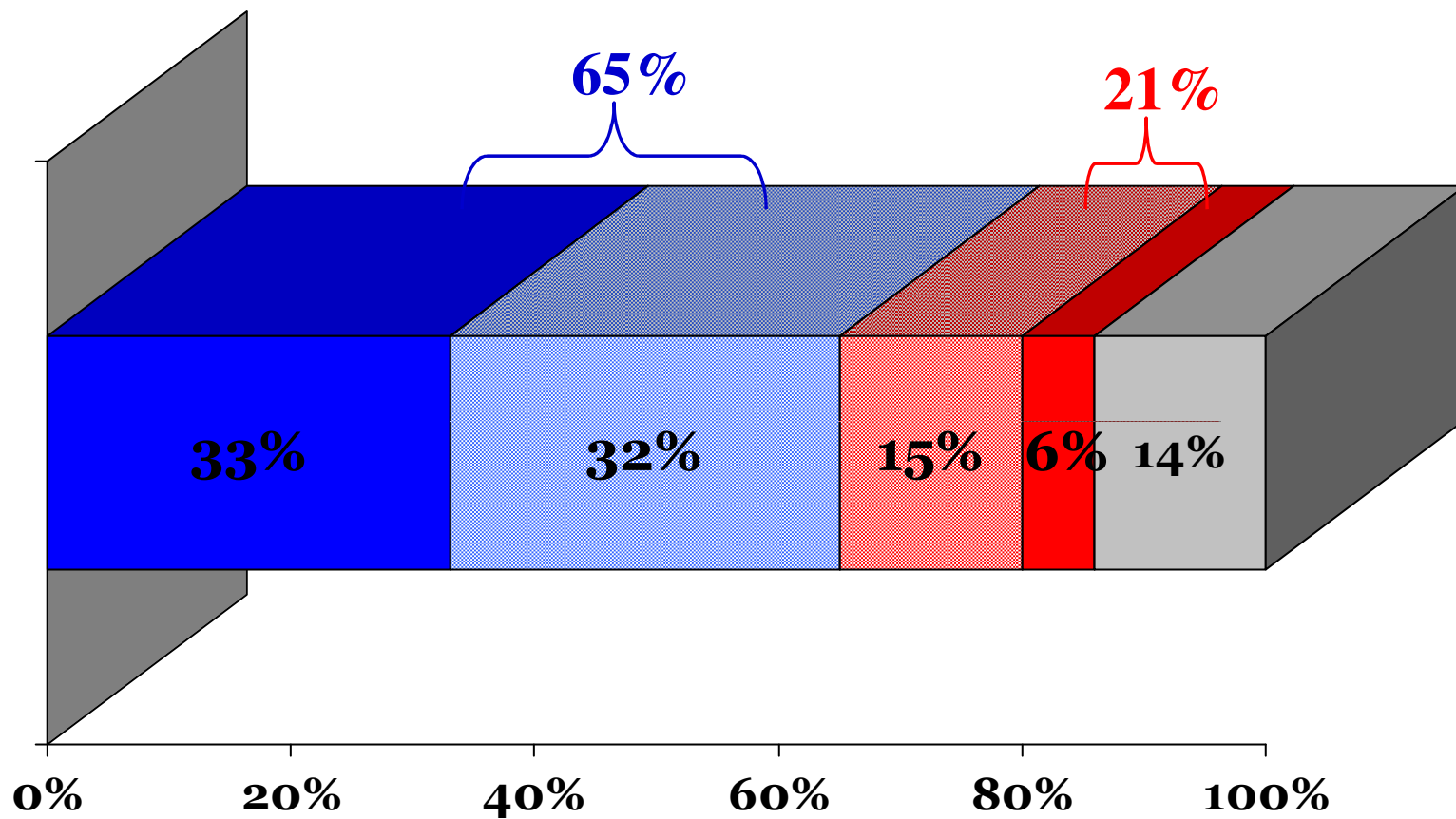




ELECTIONS



Do you think that the February 18 elections were free and fair?



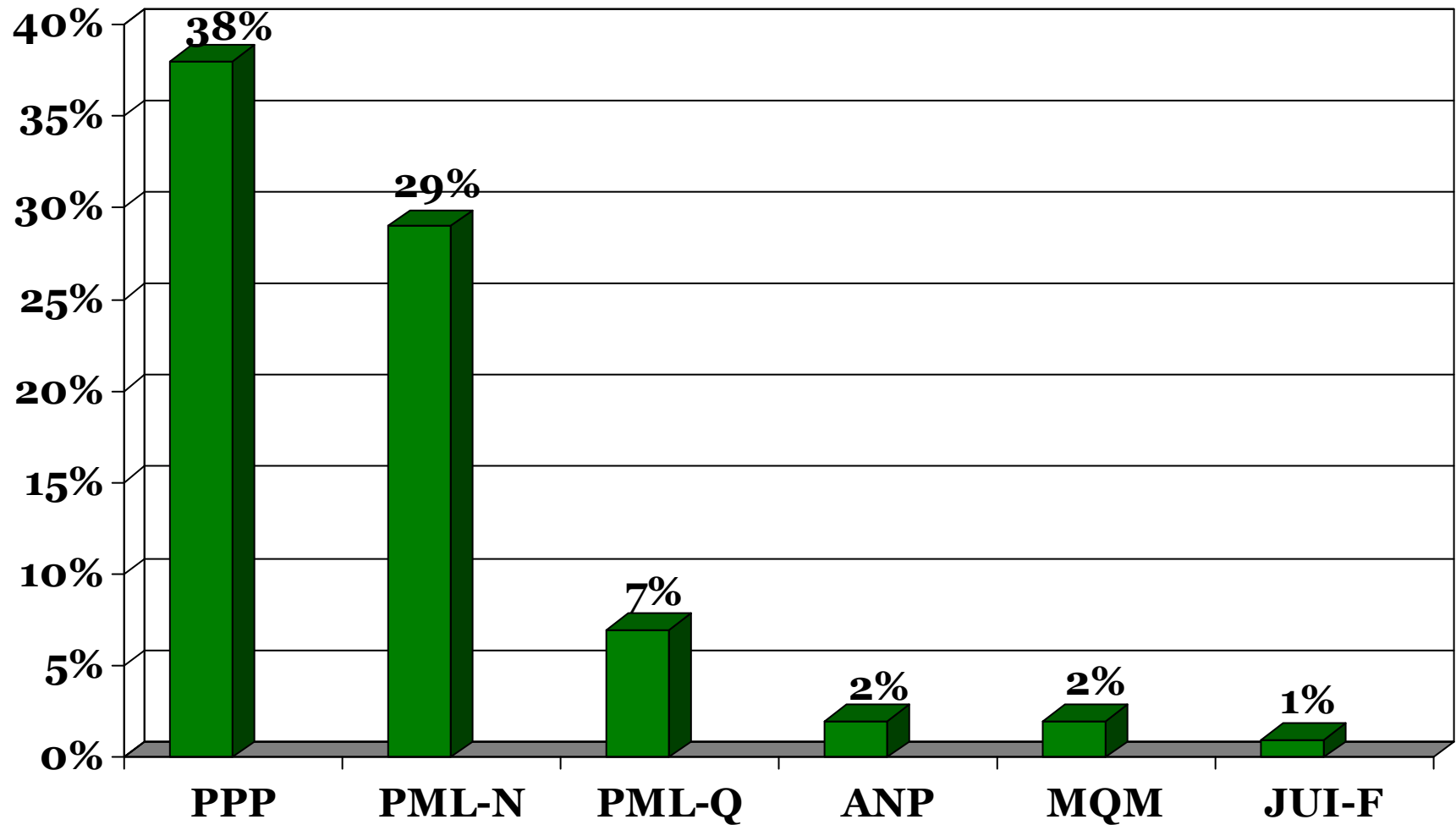
Very Free & Fair
Somewhat Rigged
DK/NR

Somewhat Free & Fair
Very Rigged



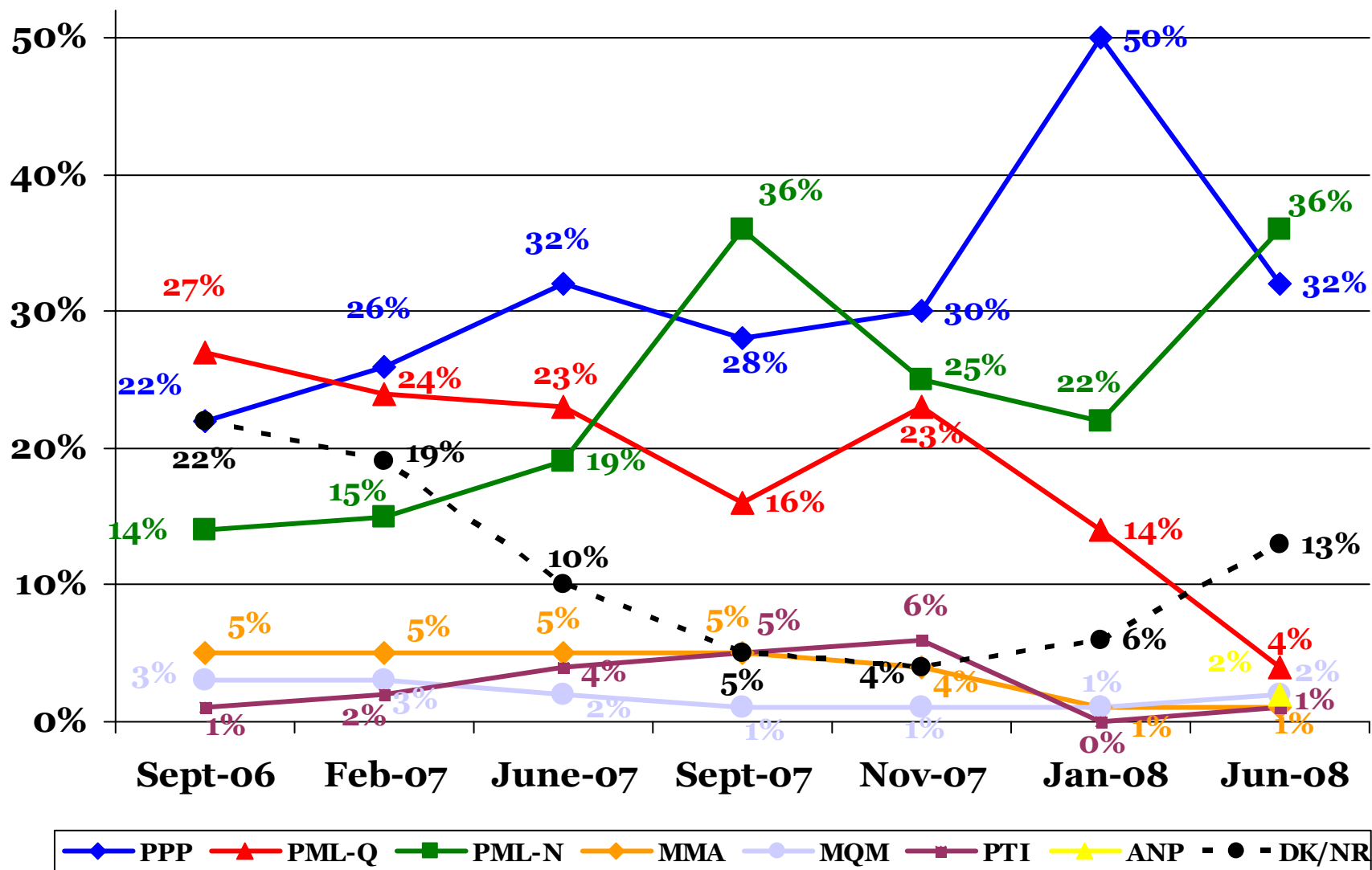
Which party did you vote for in February's elections?

(Asked only of those who voted n=2,810)





If the elections for national assembly were held next week, for which party would you vote?





If the elections for national assembly were held next week, for which party would you vote?
(by province-PUNJAB +/- 1.14)

	Feb-07	Jun-07	Sep-07	Nov-07	Jan-08	Jun-08
PPP	17%	22%	14%	24%	44%	24%
PML-Q	30%	27%	21%	30%	19%	5%
PML-N	23%	30%	54%	36%	32%	51%



If the elections for national assembly were held next week, for which party would you vote?
(by province-SINDH +/- 1.71)

	Feb-07	Jun-07	Sep-07	Nov-07	Jan-08	Jun-08
PPP	57%	60%	64%	50%	74%	57%
PML-Q	9%	14%	8%	16%	5%	2%
PML-N	3%	4%	4%	6%	4%	8%
PPP-SB	-	-	-	-	-	6%
MQM	11%	6%	5%	6%	5%	6%



If the elections for national assembly were held next week, for which party would you vote?
(by province-NWFP +/- 2.27)

	Feb-07	Jun-07	Sep-07	Nov-07	Jan-08	Jun-08
PPP	12%	25%	17%	16%	37%	21%
PML-Q	18%	20%	17%	10%	6%	2%
PML-N	9%	11%	27%	27%	18%	31%
PTI	-	-	-	-	-	3%
MMA	10%	9%	10%	6%	4%	3%
ANP	7%	7%	3%	7%	12%	10%

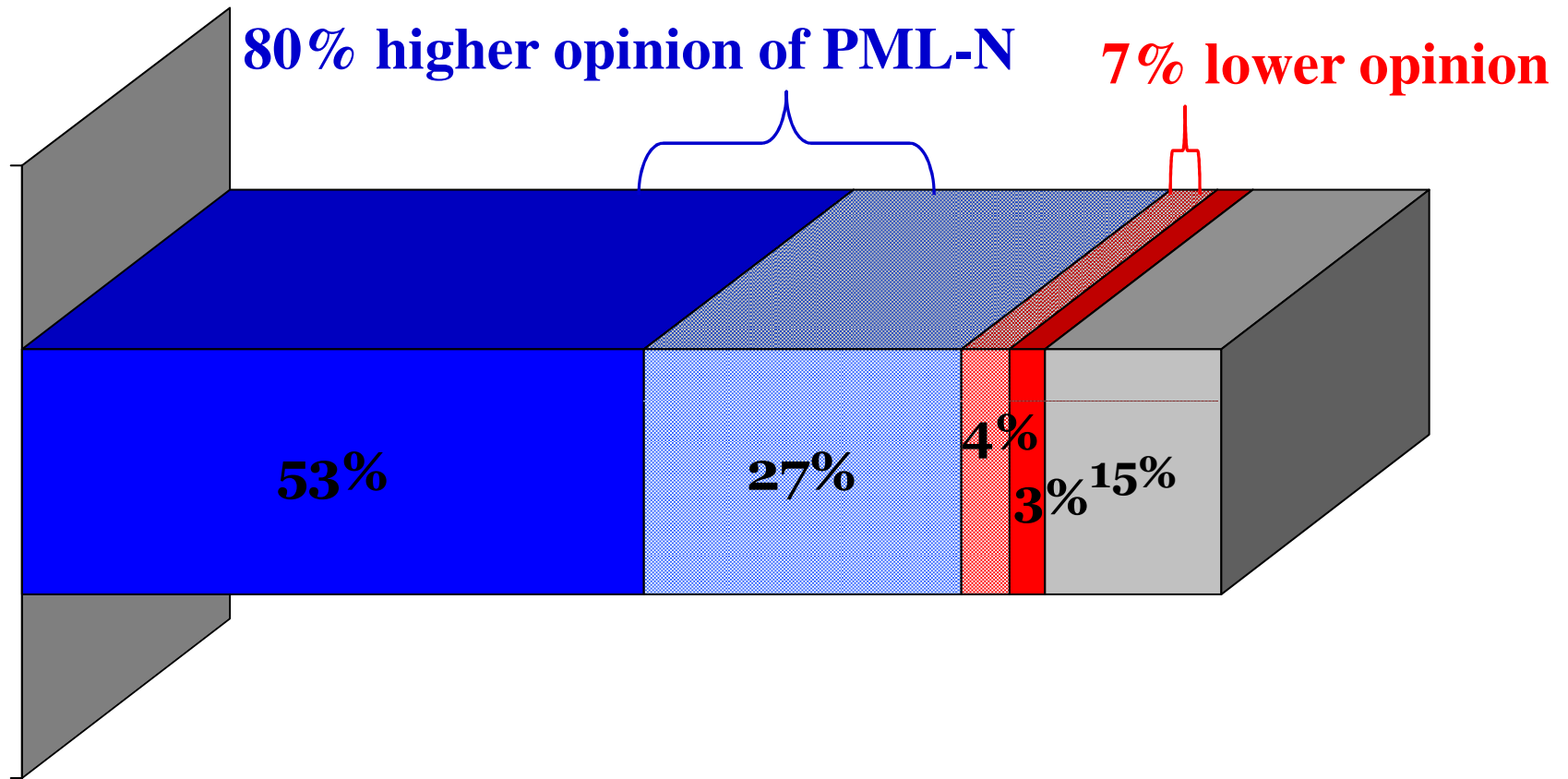


If the elections for national assembly were held next week, for which party would you vote?
(by province-BALUCHISTAN +/- 3.38)

	Feb-07	Jun-07	Sep-07	Nov-07	Jan-08	Jun-08
PPP	22%	34%	29%	40%	44%	39%
PML-Q	44%	27%	12%	16%	15%	5%
PML-N	1%	1%	9%	5%	6%	17%
ANP	-	-	-	-	-	2%
PPP-SB	-	-	-	-	-	1%
PTI	-	-	-	-	-	1%
PKMAP	-	-	-	-	-	1%
BNP	-	-	-	-	-	1%
JQM	-	-	-	-	-	2%
MMA	9%	20%	15%	15%	4%	2%



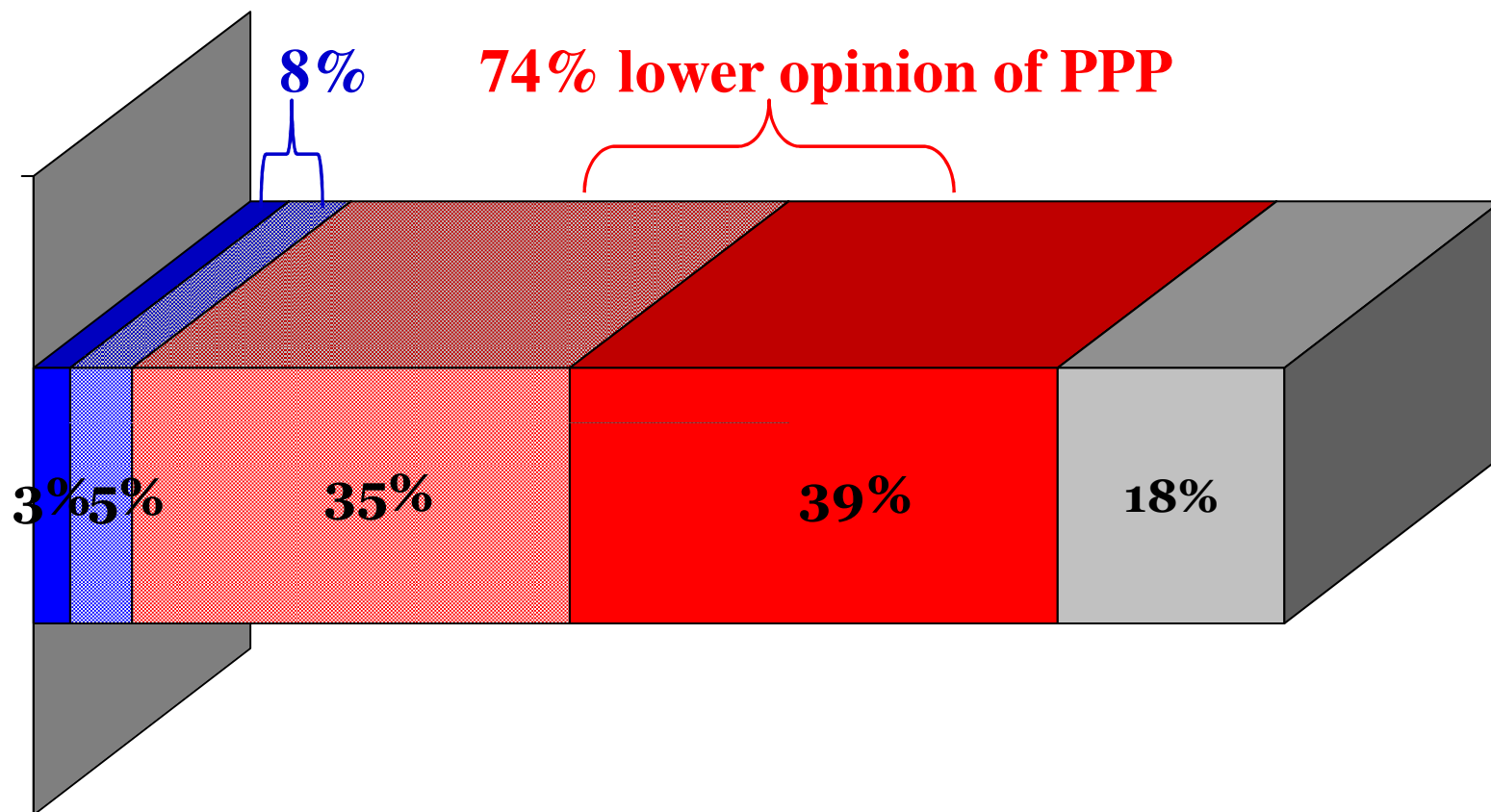
PML-N is strongly insisting that the Parliament reinstate the old Supreme Court that Musharraf deposed. How does this affect your opinion of PML-N?



- I now have a much higher opinion of PML-N
- I now have a somewhat higher opinion of PML-N
- I now have a somewhat lower opinion of PML-N
- I now have a much lower opinion of PML-N
- DK/NR



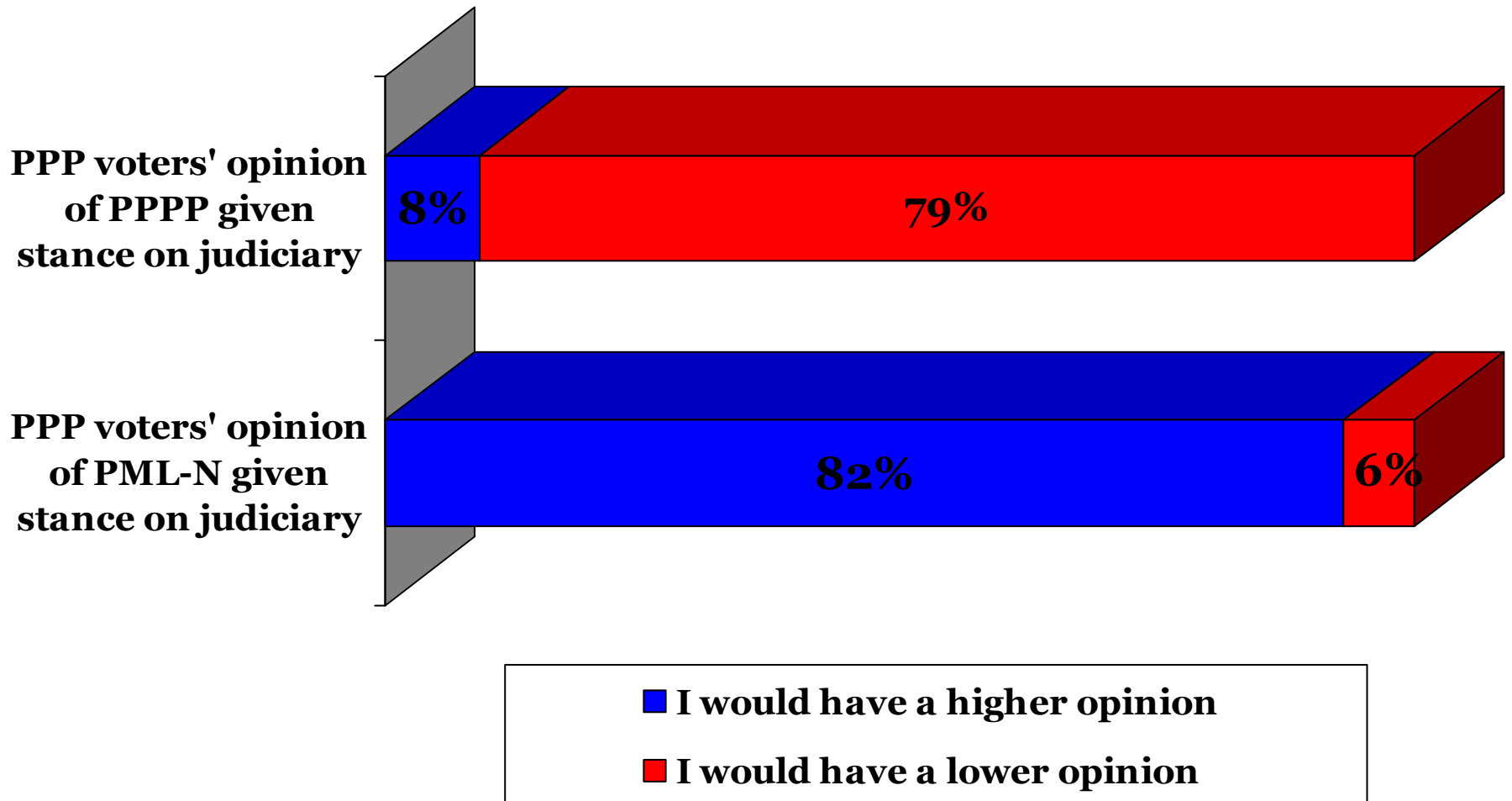
If PPP does not reinstate the old Supreme Court, how will that affect your opinion of PPP?



- I would have a much higher opinion of PPP
- I would have a somewhat higher opinion of PPP
- I would have a somewhat lower opinion of PPP
- I would have a much lower opinion of PPP
- DK/NR

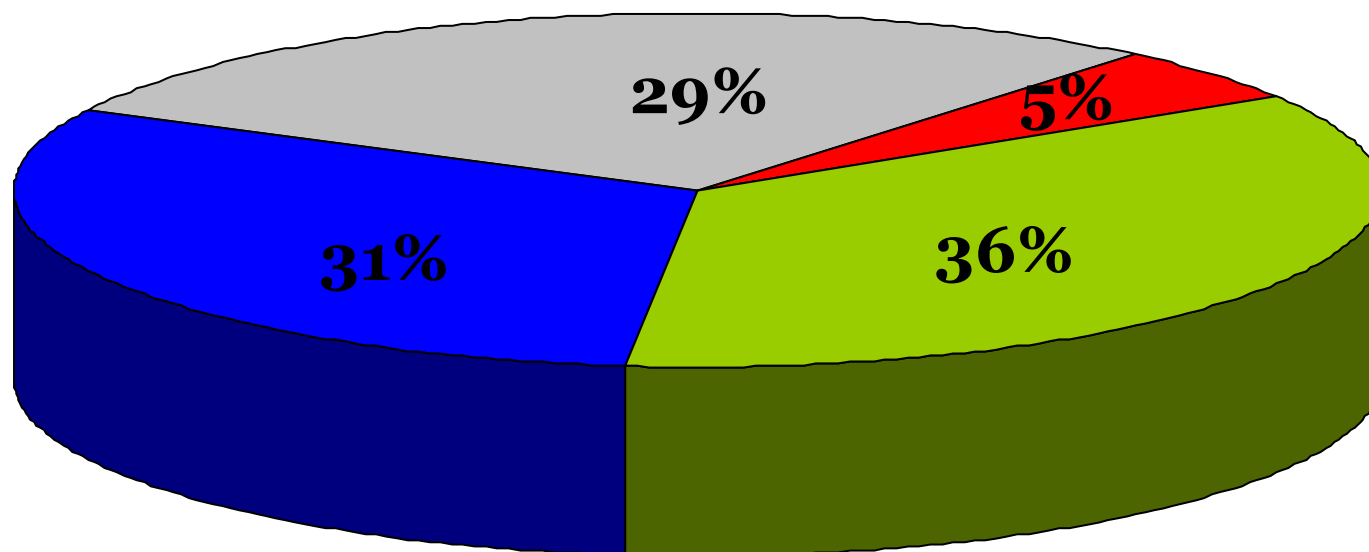


Given their stances on the judiciary, how would that impact opinion of PML-N and PPPP?
(Just PPP voters n=1,122)





If there was another parliamentary election held next week and the following were your choices, for whom would you vote?



- PML-Q
- A coalition of religious parties led by PML-N
- A coalition of secular parties led by PPPP
- DK/NR



If there was another parliamentary election held next week and the following were your choices, for whom would you vote? (by province)

■ PML-N Coalition ■ PPPP Coalition ■ PML-Q

